Content-peering Dynamics of Autonomous Caches in a Content-centric Network

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- Networks of caches optimized for *local performance*
- Decrease transit traffic costs through *content-level peering*
- New challenges:
 - Stability of cache content
 - Coordination among ASes
 - Effect of eviction

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- $\mathcal{L}_i = \mathcal{H}_i \cup \mathcal{C}_i \to \text{content available at ISP } i$
- $\mathcal{R}_i = \bigcup_{j \in \mathcal{N}(i)} \mathcal{L}_j \to \text{content available from the peering ISPs}$

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Total cost for ISP i:

$$C_i(\mathcal{C}_i, \mathcal{C}_{-i}) = \alpha_i \sum_{\mathcal{L}_i \cup \mathcal{R}_i} w_i^o + \gamma_i \sum_{\mathcal{O} \smallsetminus \{\mathcal{L}_i \cup \mathcal{R}_i\}} w_i^o,$$

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Figure: No content-peering



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CoW terminates in an equilibrium allocation after a finite number of *efficient updates*

• At slot t no ISP $j \notin \mathcal{I}_t$ can perform an update

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CNW terminates in an equilibrium allocation with probability one.

At every time slot:

- Prob. $e^{-w_i^o\Delta}$ item o not requested
- Prob. $\epsilon(\mathcal{C}_i(t-1)) > 0$ no "useful" item requested
- Prob. $k(\mathcal{C}(t-1))$ that updating ISPs belong to an independent set

$$k(\mathcal{C}(t-1)) > \prod_{i \in \mathcal{I}_t} \left[1 - \epsilon_i(\mathcal{C}_i(t-1))\right] \cdot \prod_{i \in N \setminus \mathcal{I}_t} \epsilon_i(\mathcal{C}_i(t-1)) > 0$$

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Numerical Results - COW vs CNW

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When $\beta \to 0$, the stationary distribution of P^{β} is a stationary distribution of $P^{0} \Rightarrow$ equilibrium allocation under perfect information.

• Some cache allocations more likely than others..

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- 10⁵ time slots
- 50 ISPs, $K_i = 1$ for every $i \in N$
- τ estimation interval in seconds for a LFU cache



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- Fast convergence if no simultaneous updates by peering ISPs
- Incorrect estimate of content popularity
 - No stable state
 - Still cost-efficient cache allocations
 - Insights about most likely cache allocations