

# RESILIENT Priority-Based Data Transmission Using NETWORK CODING

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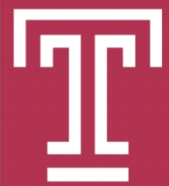
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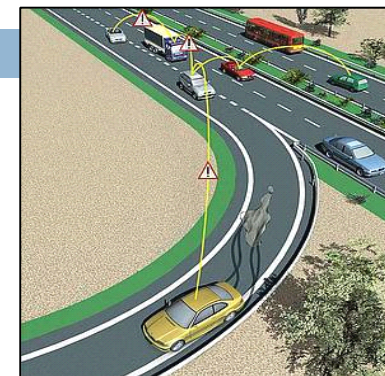
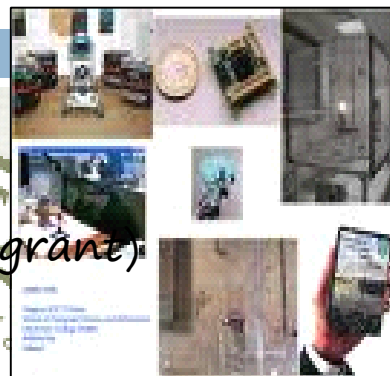
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## Wireless and mobile networks

- Mesh networks (CRI and GENI grants)
- Sensor networks (NeTS and TF grants)
- Content sharing networks (NeTS medium grant)
- Network coding (CCSS grant)
- Vehicle networks



## Network security and privacy

- Wireless networks (ARO and CCSS grants)
- Cloud comp. (Microsoft and Amazon grants)

## High performance computing

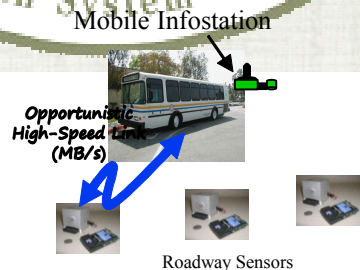
- NSF GPU/CPU supercomputer (MRI g grants)

## Economic development

- Urban Maps & Apps Studio (EDA gra

## Social networks

- Medical applications (Tobacco fund)
- Online social networks



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# Agenda

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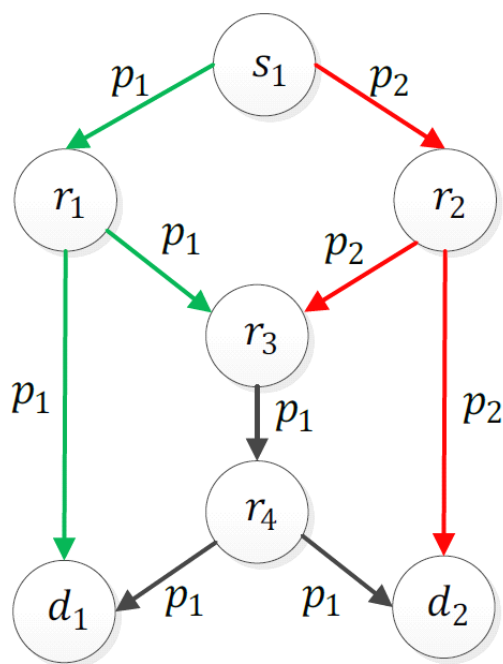
- Network Coding Background
- Priority-Based Network Coding
  - ▣ Symbol-level transmission
  - ▣ Layered video streaming
- Conclusions
- Other Recent Works

# Network Coding Background

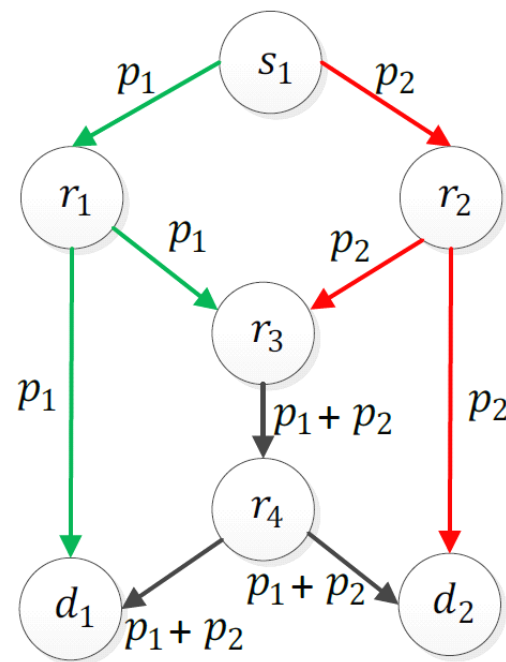
# Network Coding in Wired Networks

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- Single multicast session
  - Bottleneck problem (Ahlswede'00)



No coding



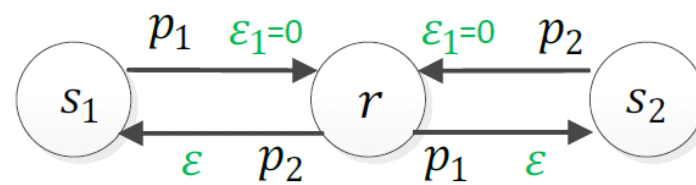
Coding

# Network Coding in Wireless Networks

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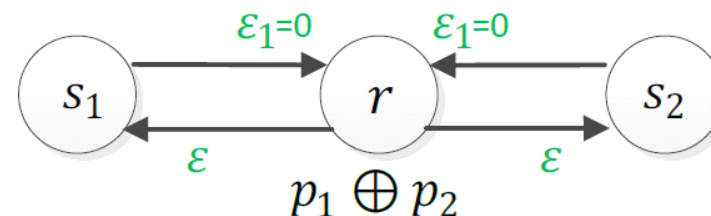
## □ No coding

- ▣ 4 transmissions
- ▣ delivery rate =  $(1 - \varepsilon)/4$



## □ COPE (coding, Katty'06)

- ▣ 3 transmissions (**broadcast channel**)
- ▣ delivery rate =  $(1 - \varepsilon)/3$



## □ COPE-dup (double transmission by relay, Rayanchu'08)

- ▣ 4 transmissions
- ▣ delivery rate =  $(1 - \varepsilon^2)/4$

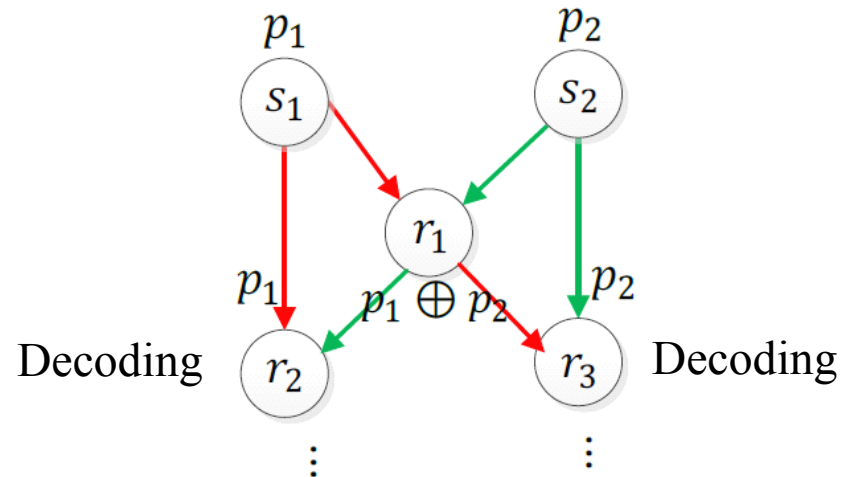
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No coding	0.25	0.225	0.175	0.125	0.075
COPE	<b>0.333</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>0.233</b>	0.167	0.1
COPE-dup	0.25	0.247	0.227	<b>0.187</b>	<b>0.127</b>

# Network Coding Classification

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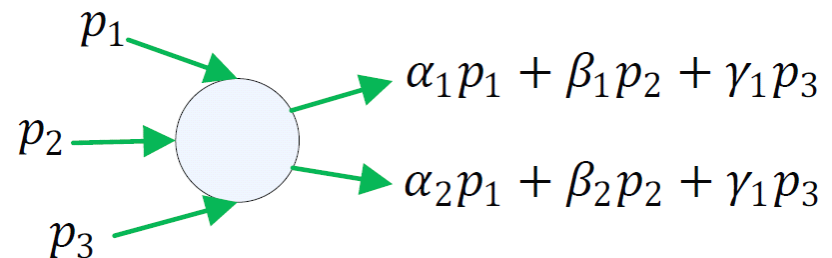
## □ Local

- Hop-by-hop decoding
- XOR operation



## □ Global

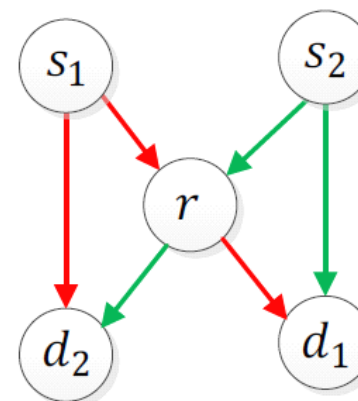
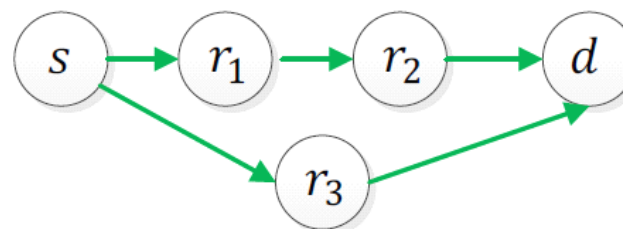
- Decoding at the destination
- Linear network coding  
(on a finite field)



# Network Coding Classification

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- Intra-flow
  - ▣ Within a flow
  - ▣ Robustness enhancement
  
- Inter-flow
  - ▣ Between different flows
  - ▣ Throughput/capacity enhancement
  
- Joint inter- and intra-flow
  - ▣ Within flow and between flows

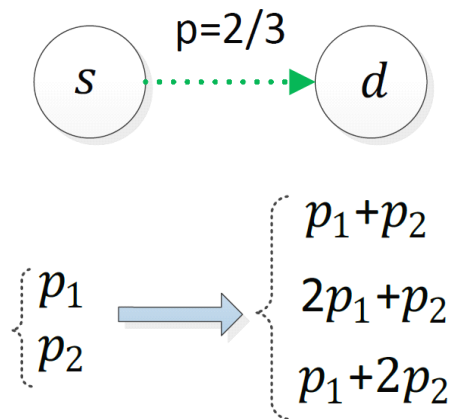




# Network Coding in Wireless Networks

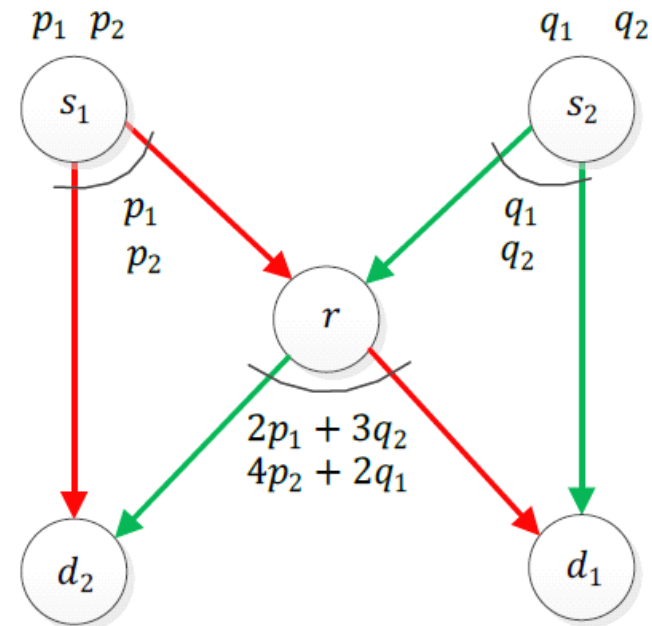
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## Intra-flow coding



- Reliability =  $2/3$
- **3** transmissions

## Inter-flow coding



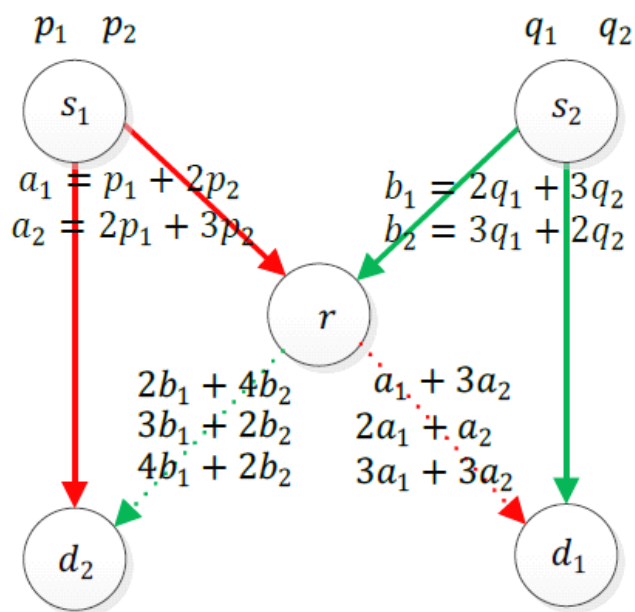
- Reliable links
- **2** transmissions by the relay

# Network Coding in Wireless Networks

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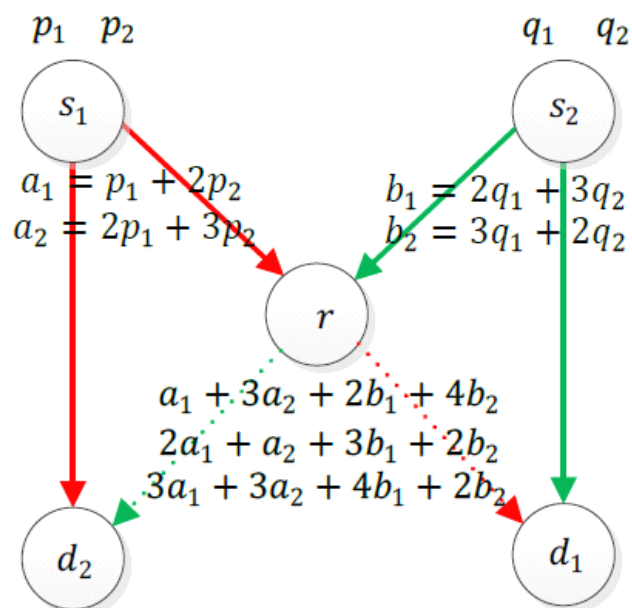
- Reliability from  $r$  to  $d_1$  and  $d_2$  is  $2/3$
- Other links are reliable

Intra- flow coding



**6** transmissions by the relay

Joint inter- and intra-flow coding

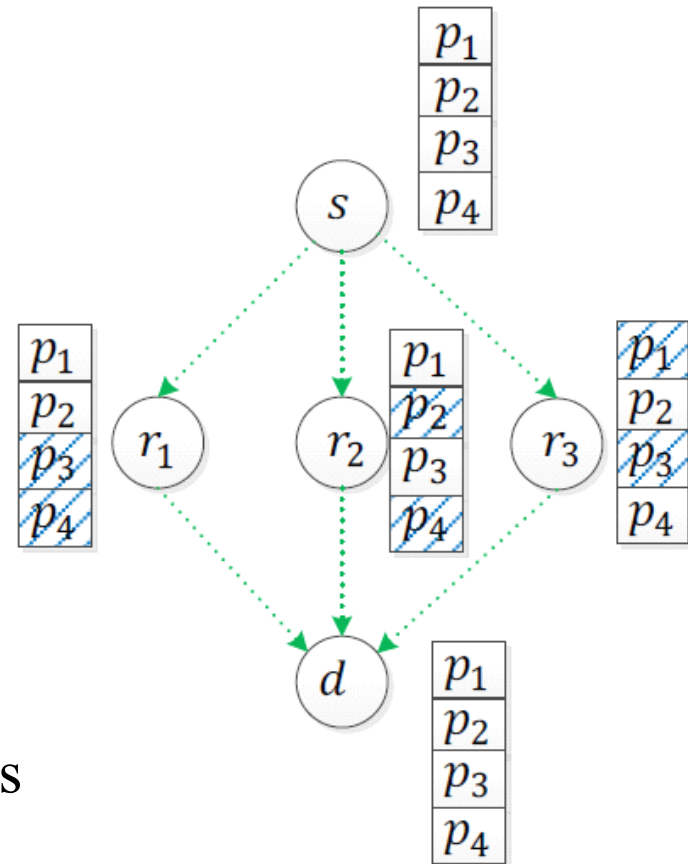


**3** transmissions by the relay

# Opportunistic Routing (OP)

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- OP: no fixed path
  - ▣ Relays jointly having all packets
  - ▣ Coordination needed among relays
  - ▣ Which packets should be sent?  
(coupon collection problem)
  
- OP with network coding
  - ▣ Linear coded transmissions at relays
  - ▣ No coordination needed among relays



# Network Coding Applications

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- Robustness Enhancement
  - Error correcting code
    - **Physical layer**: improving error performance on wireless link using intra-packet coding
  - Erasure correction
    - **Spatial redundancy**: handle lost packets on the end-to-end connection level using inter-packet coding
  - Joint error and erasure correction
  - **Robust linear network coding for link failures**  
(Koetter and Medard 2003)

# Network Coding Applications

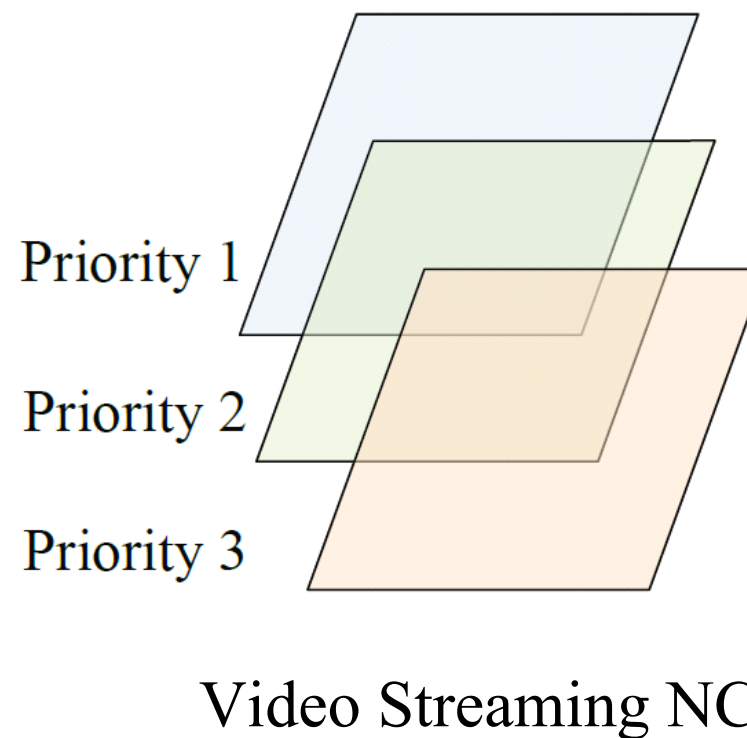
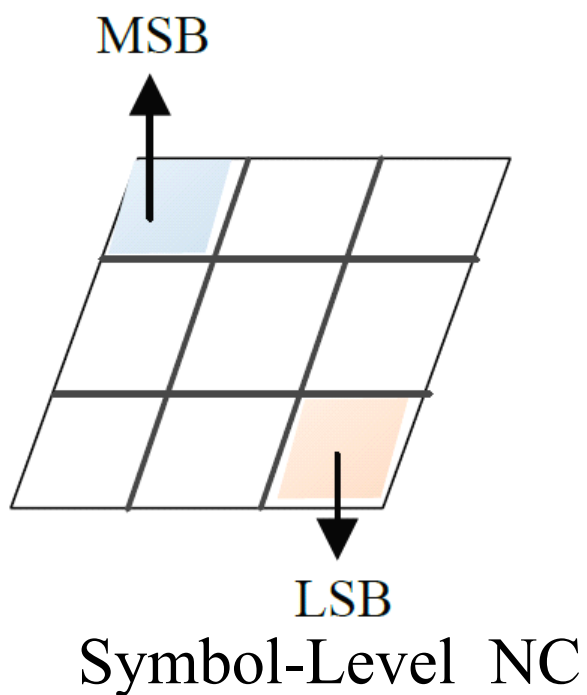
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- Throughput/Capacity Enhancement
  - Overlay networks
    - Distributed storage systems
    - Content distribution
    - Layered multicast
  - Wireless networks
    - Throughput enhancement
    - Broadcast storm problem
- Network Tomography: infer network characteristics
  - Link loss rate inference
  - Topology inference

# Priority-Based Approaches

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- New twist on the classic unequal error protection



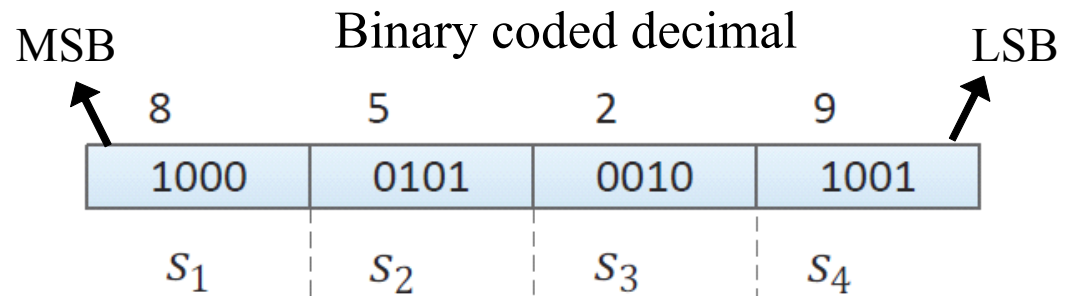
# Priority-Based Network Coding

## Symbol-Level Transmission

# Priority-Based Transmission

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- Numeric data
  - ▣ Sensed data by sensors
  - ▣ Different priorities (utility values) for symbols  $S_i$



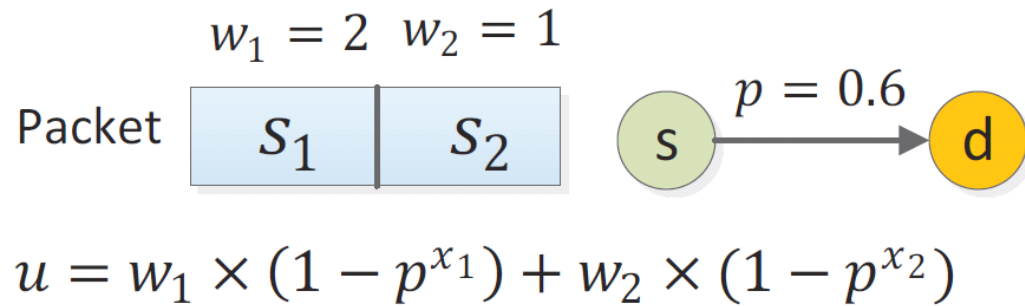
- Approaches
  - ▣ Reliable transmissions
  - ▣ Maximizing the **expected utility** with a given number of transmissions



# Motivation

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- $u$  : utility
- $p$  : loss rate
- $w_i$  : weight of  $S_i$
- $x_i$  : number of transmissions of  $S_i$



$x_1$	$x_2$	Utility
2	0	1.28
1	1	1.2
0	2	0.64

**2** transmissions

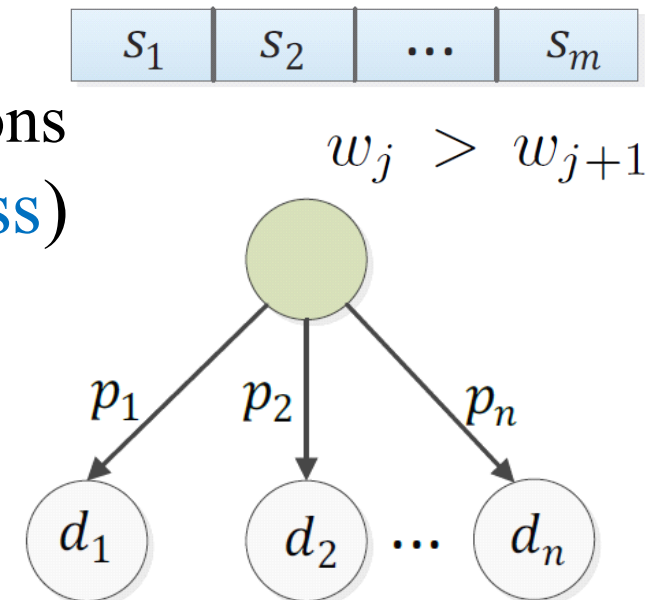
$x_1$	$x_2$	Utility
3	0	1.568
2	1	1.68
1	2	1.44
0	3	0.78

**3** transmissions

# Setting and Objective

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- One-hop wireless (WiFi) network
  - One source with multiple destinations
- Lossy links (**randomness in wireless**)
  - $p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n$
- Transmission window size
  - $X$  slots for a packet



- Objective: maximizing the total expected utility of the received symbols

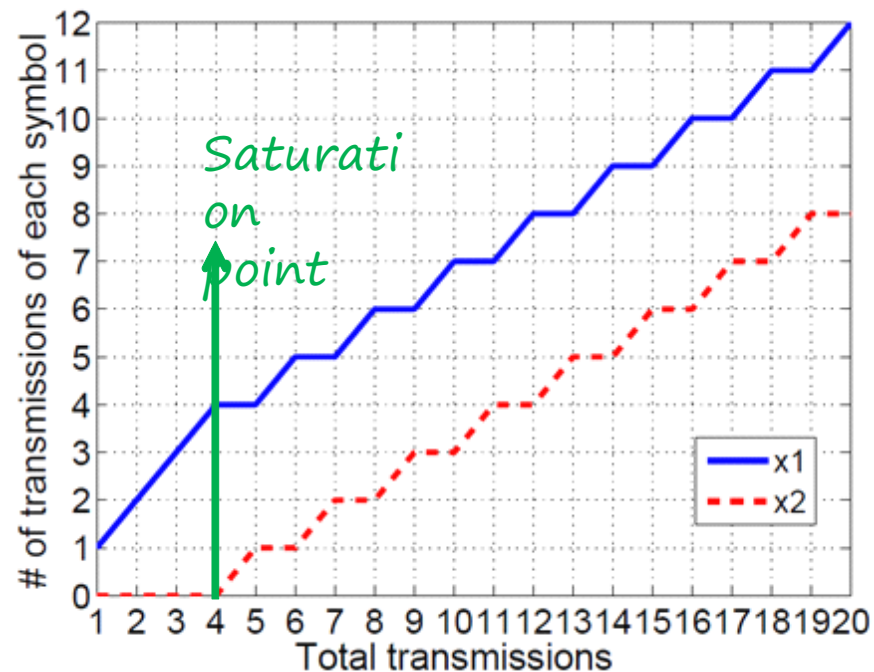
# Single Packet (Homogenous Destinations)

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- The case of a packet with 2 symbols

$$u = w_1 \times (1 - p^{x_1}) + w_2(1 - p^{x_2})$$

$$\text{st. } x_1 + x_2 = X$$



$$w_1 = 5$$

$$w_2 = 1$$

# Single Packet (Homogeneous Destinations)

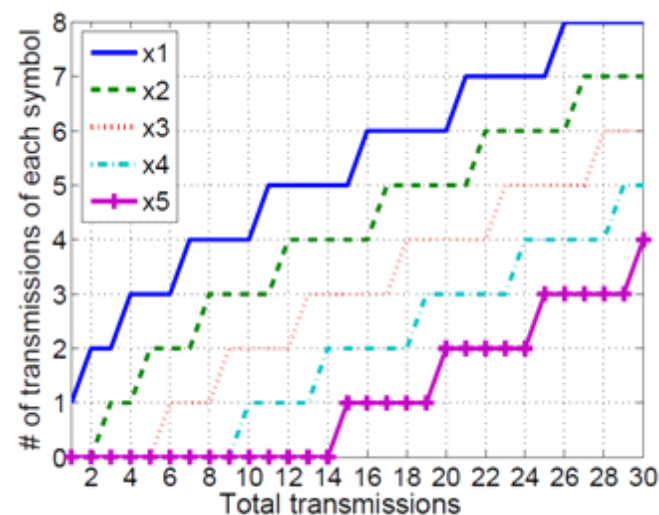
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- $m$  symbols
  - Assign the transmissions to  $x_1$  while  $p^{x_1} < \frac{w_2}{w_1}$
  - Then, distribute the transmissions between  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  while  $p^{x_1} < \frac{w_3}{w_1}$  and  $p^{x_2} < \frac{w_3}{w_2}$
  - Assign round-robin pattern among  $x_1, x_2,$  and  $x_3$

Start increasing while  $x_j$

$$p^{x_i} < \frac{w_j}{w_i}, \forall i : 1 \leq i \leq j - 1$$

$$w_i = 2^{5-i}$$



# Single Packet (Heterogeneous Destinations)

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- The round-robin pattern does not exist
- Iterative algorithm
  - ▣  $\Delta_{x_i}$  : utility changes for increasing  $x_i$  to  $x_i + 1$

$$\Delta_{x_i} = w_i \times \sum_{l=1}^n [p_l^{x_i} - p_l^{x_i+1}]$$

- At each iteration, assign the current transmission to the symbol  $S_i$  with the maximum  $\Delta_{x_i}$

# Single Packet (Heterogeneous Destinations)

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## Iteration 1

$x_1$	0	$\Delta x_1 = 140$	$x_1$	1
$x_2$	0	$\Delta x_2 = 14$	$x_2$	0
$x_3$	0	$\Delta x_3 = 1.4$	$x_3$	0

## Iteration 2

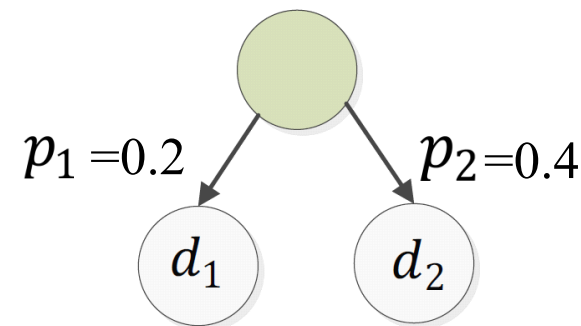
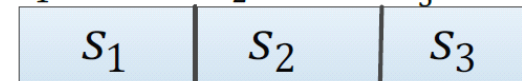
$x_1$	1	$\Delta x_1 = 40$	$x_1$	2
$x_2$	0	$\Delta x_2 = 14$	$x_2$	0
$x_3$	0	$\Delta x_3 = 1.4$	$x_3$	0

## Iteration 3

$x_1$	2	$\Delta x_1 = 12.8$	$x_1$	2
$x_2$	0	$\Delta x_2 = 14$	$x_2$	1
$x_3$	0	$\Delta x_3 = 1.4$	$x_3$	0

Binary coded decimal

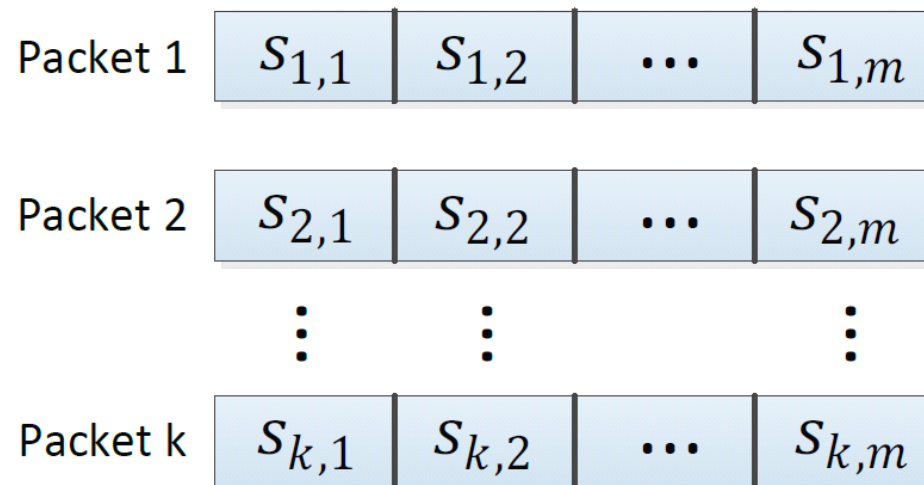
$$w_1 = 100 \quad w_2 = 10 \quad w_3 = 1$$



# Multiple Packets (No Coding)

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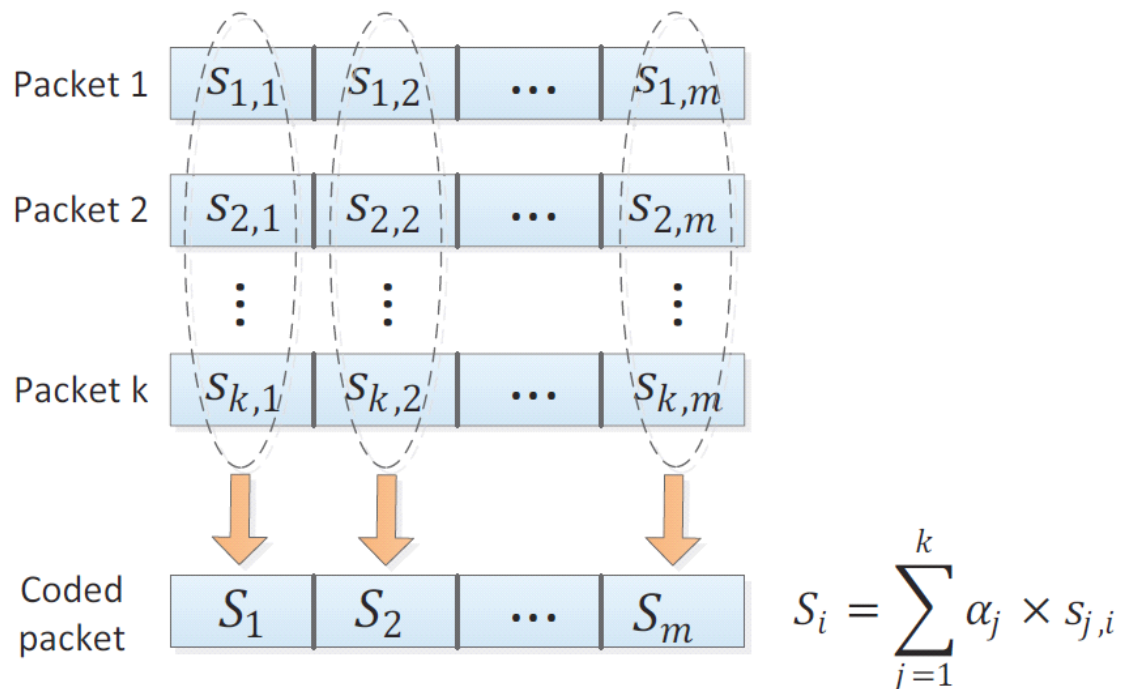
- Our model
  - The size of the packets is equal
  - Each packet has the same weight
- $k$  independent packets with no coding



# Multiple Packets (with Network Coding)

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- Heuristic
  - ▣ First find the optimal  $x_i$
  - ▣ Code all  $s_i$  of the  $k$  packets together
  - ▣ Send  $x_i \times k$  coded symbols

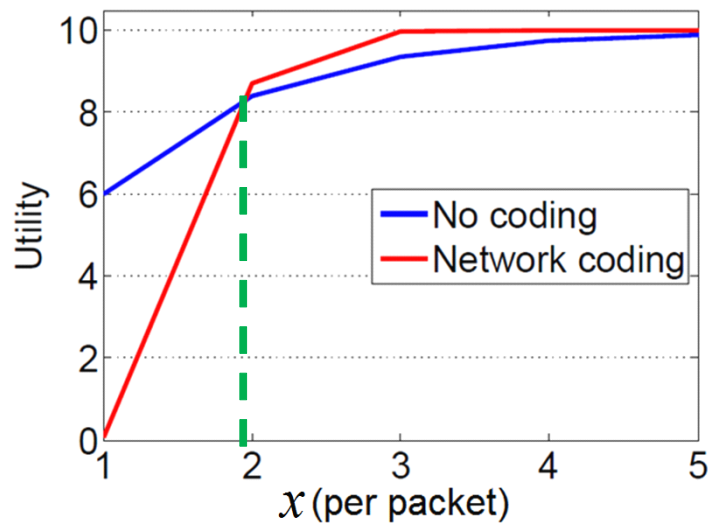




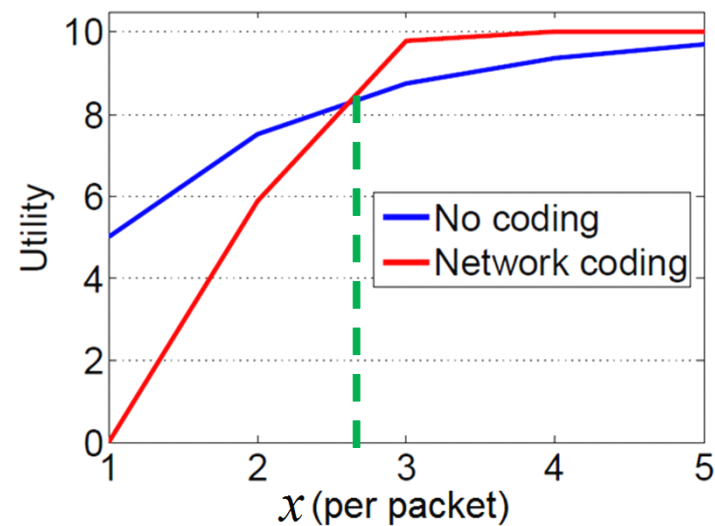
# Multiple Packets (with Network Coding)

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- Network coding may or may not improve the utility
  - ▣ Since partial decoding is not possible
- Compute utility of coding/non-coding
  - ▣ Decision for coding/non-coding at each symbol



- 10 packets
- Error rate: 0.4

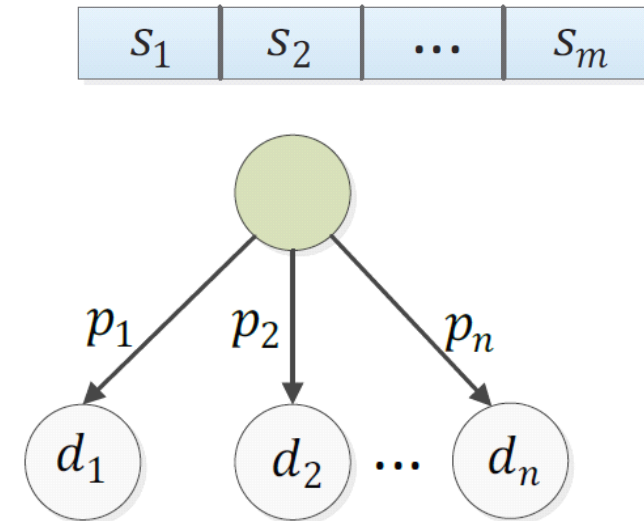


- 10 packets
- Error rate: 0.5

# Simulations Setting

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- MATLAB environment
- 1,000 rounds
  - ▣ Different error rates for links
- Weight of  $s_i : 2^{m-i}$

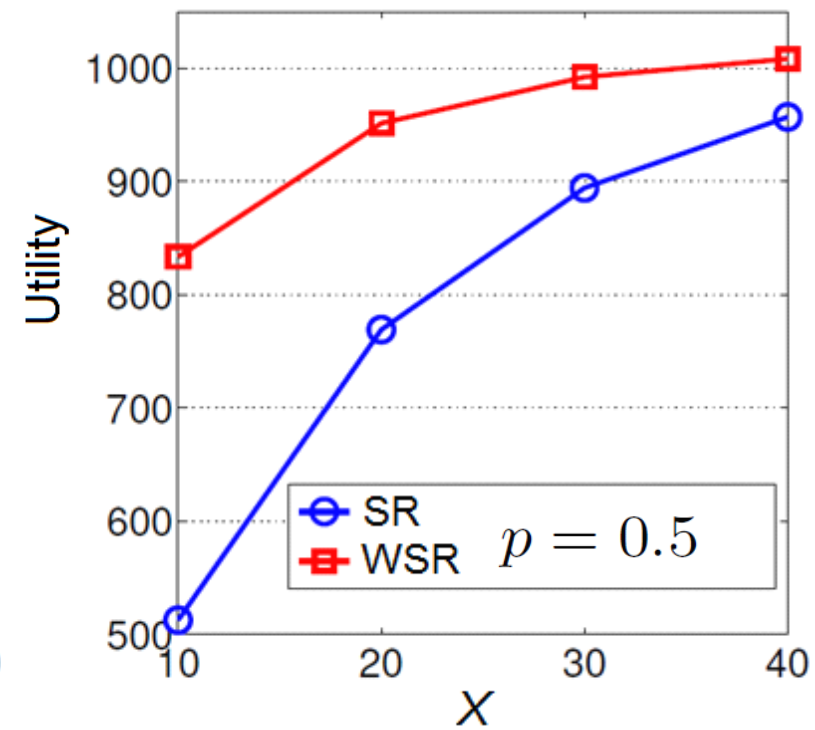
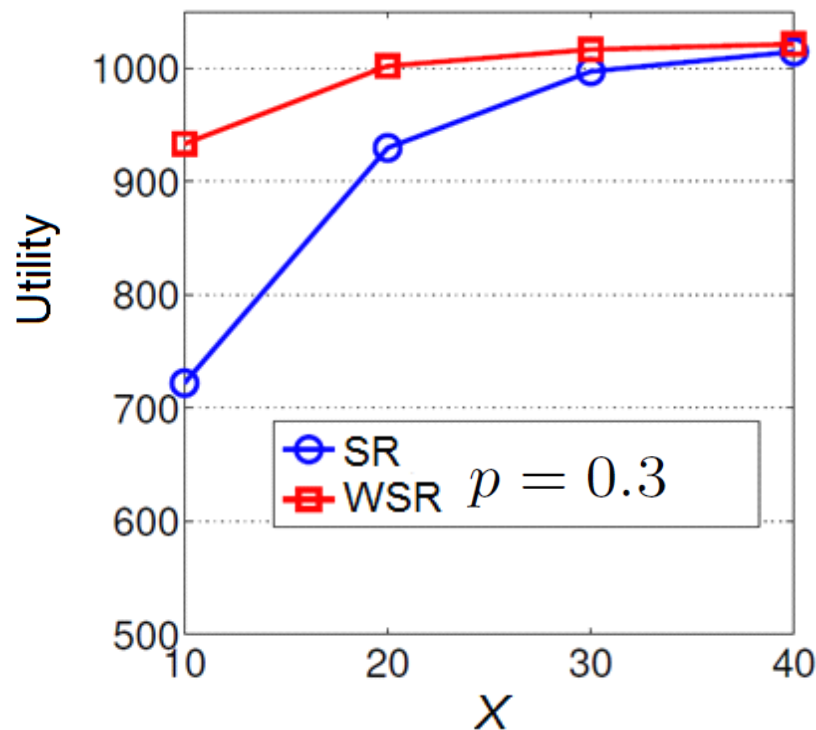


- Comparing with simple retransmission method
  - ▣ Distribute transmissions equally to the different  $s_i$

# Simulations (Homogenous Destinations)

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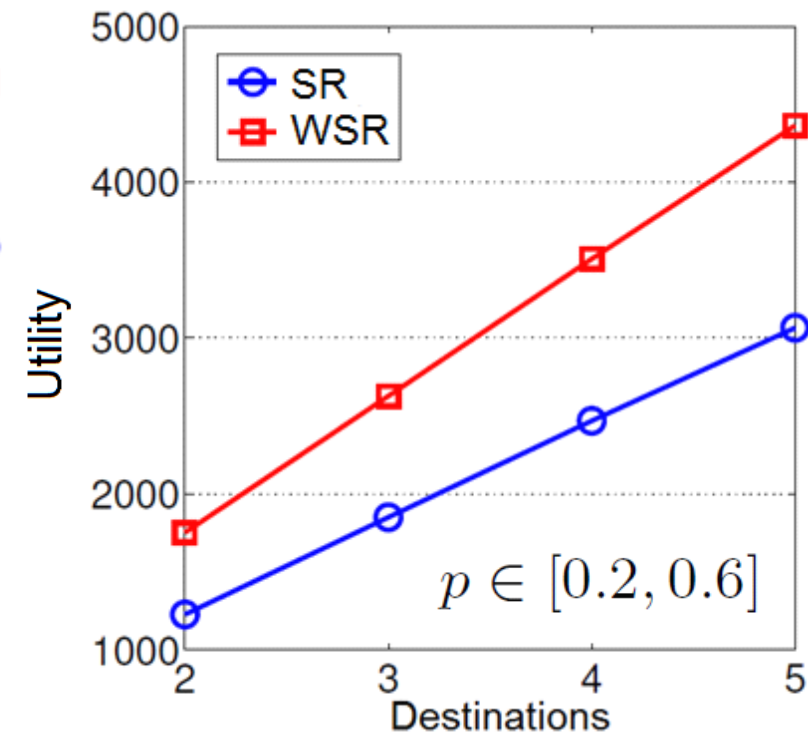
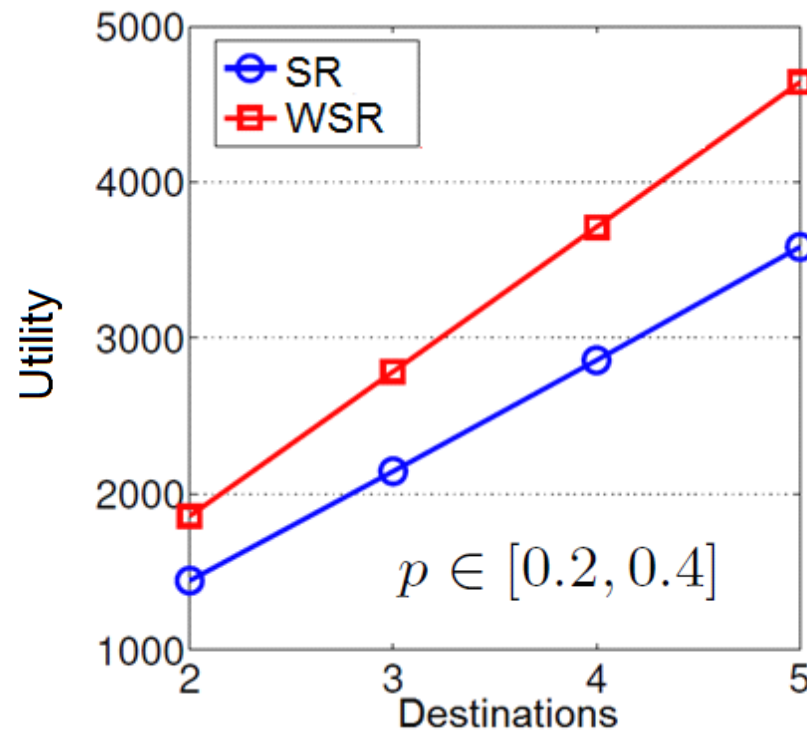
- Single packet: 10 symbols
- SR: simple retransmission
- WSR: weighted symbol retransmission



# Simulations (Heterogeneous Destinations)

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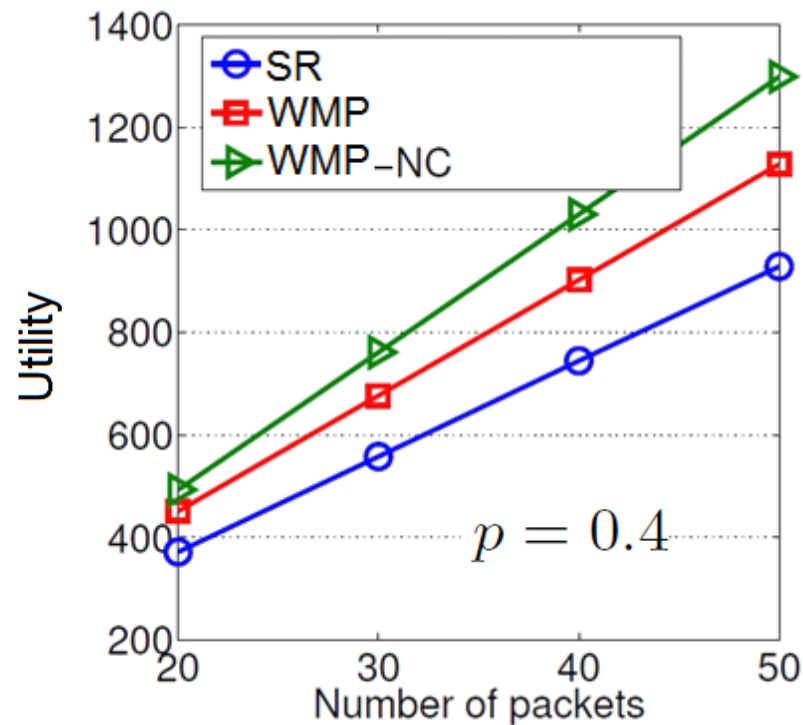
- Single packet- 10 symbols
- 10 transmissions
- Variable destinations and error rates



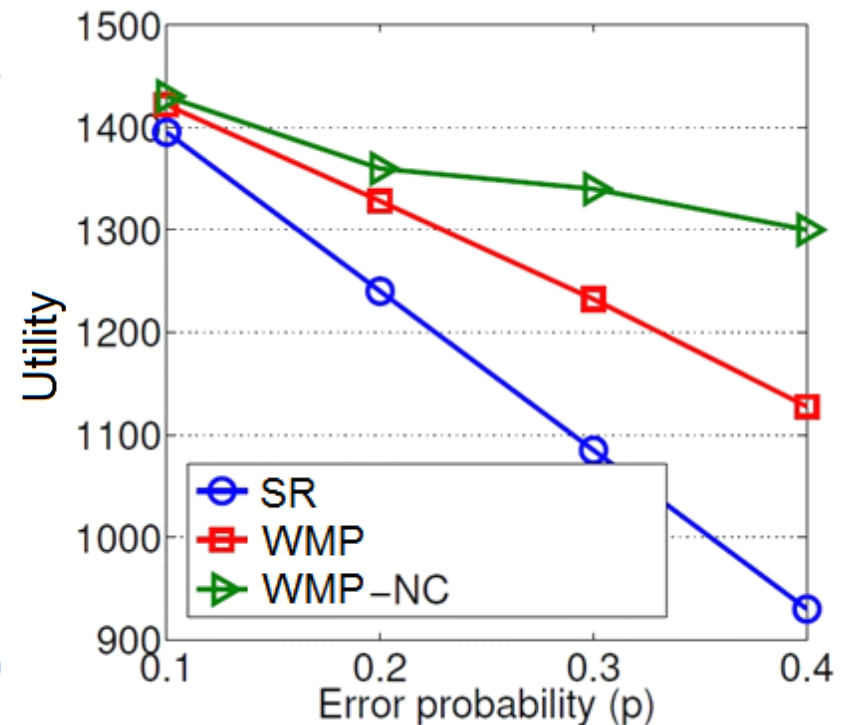
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- Packet size: 5 symbols
- WMP: weighted multiple packets
- WMP-NC: weighted multiple packets with network coding



10 transmissions



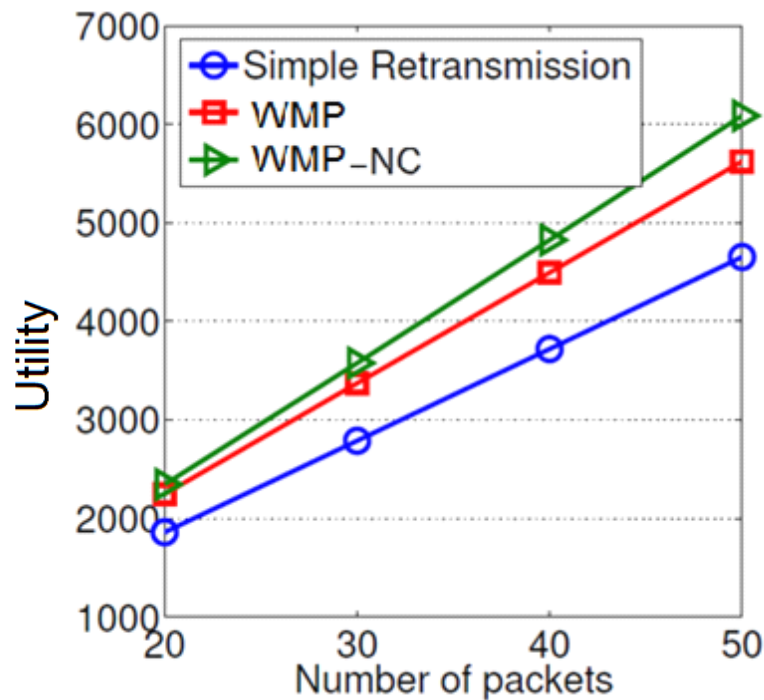
50 packets

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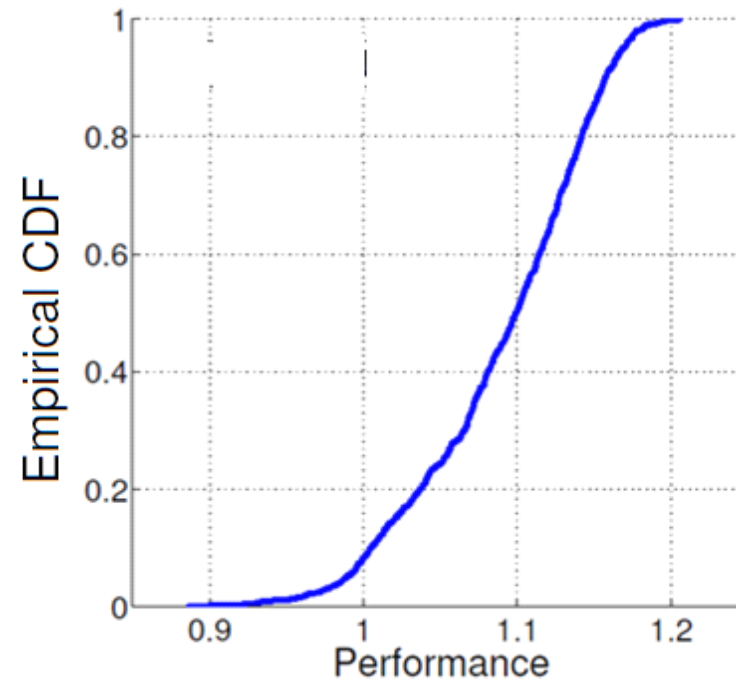
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- Packet size: 5 symbols
- 5 destinations

CDF of WMP-NC's utility divided by WMP's utility



$p \in [0.3, 0.5]$



Number of packets=50

# Simulations Summary

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- WMP increases utility up to 22% compared to SR
- Utility of WMP-NC is up to 45% more than SR
- In 50% of the cases the utility of WMP-NC is 10-20% more than WMP
- As error rate increases, the performance of WMP-NC over the other methods increases

# Current and Future Work

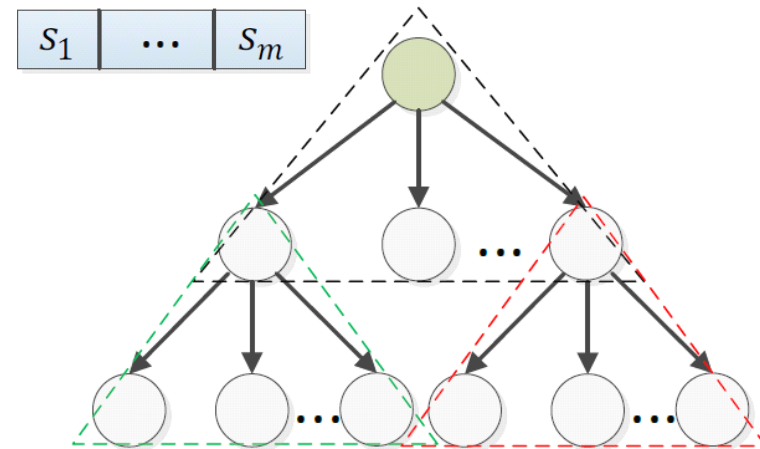
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## Current Work

- Optimal solution for network coding with multiple packets
- Multiple-hop network extensions with weighted destinations (based on the number of leaf nodes)

## Future Work

- Extensions to DAG
- Real implementation





# Priority-Based Network Coding

## Layered Video Streaming

# Video Streaming

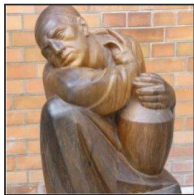
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- Delivering video stream using different resolutions to satisfy different client needs/constraints

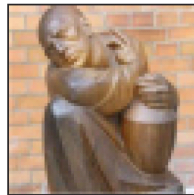
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Base layer

Enhancement layers



(a) Original



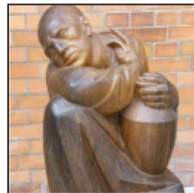
(b) Layer 1



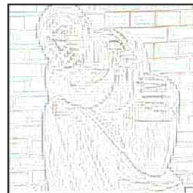
(c) Layer 2



(d) Layer 3



(e) Layers 1 & 2



(f) Layers 2 & 3

## Multiple Description Coding (MDC)

Multiple independent video substreams

Receiving more substreams increases the video quality

Substream<sub>1</sub>

Resolution<sub>1</sub>

Substream<sub>2</sub>

Resolution<sub>2</sub>

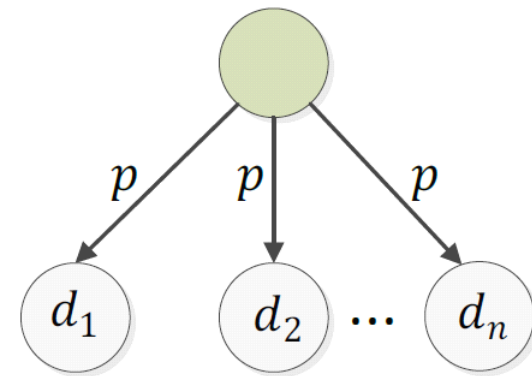
Substream<sub>N</sub>

Resolution<sub>N</sub>

# Setting and Objective

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- One-hop WiFi networks
- Video stream: sequence of packets
- Packet deadline:  $X$  transmissions
- Layered streams :  $L$  layers
- Objective: maximizing throughput in terms of the total number of received layers by the users
- Intra-layer coding: linear coding
- Inter-layer coding: triangular coding



Lossy Bernoulli channel

# Inter-Layer Coding Strategies

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- Random linear network coding (RLNC)

$$\alpha_1 L_1 + \beta_1 L_2 + \gamma_1 L_3$$

$$\alpha_2 L_1 + \beta_2 L_2 + \gamma_2 L_3$$

$$\alpha_3 L_1 + \beta_3 L_2 + \gamma_3 L_3$$

## Triangular coding

Prefix coding

$$\alpha_1 L_1$$

$$\alpha_2 L_1 + \beta_2 L_2$$

$$\alpha_3 L_1 + \beta_3 L_2 + \gamma_3 L_3$$

Packets in lower layers are more important

Included in more coded packets

More chance to be decoded

# Advantage of Triangular Coding

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- Coefficients are not shown for simplicity
- 6 transmissions in round-robin pattern
  - ▣ Blue cells are received

No coding

$L1$	$L2$	$L3$	$L1$	$L2$	$L3$
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Unable to decode

Triangular coding

$L1$	$L1 + L2$	$L1 + L2 + L3$	$L1$	$L1 + L2$	$L1 + L2 + L3$
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Decodes 2 layers

Random linear coding

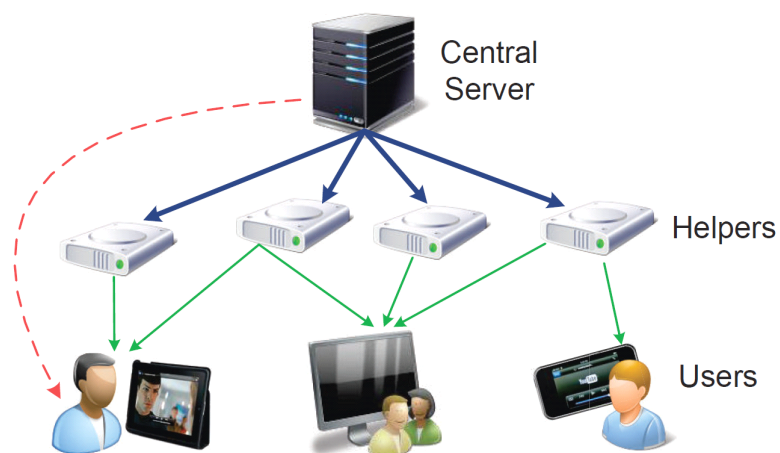
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Unable to decode

# Multi-Layer Video Streaming with Helpers

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- Links
  - ▣ Cost: direct download from the server
  - ▣ Reliable links
- Link capacity
  - ▣ High capacity links: server to helpers
  - ▣ Low capacity links: helpers to users
- Use of helpers
  - ▣ System scalability for more users
  - ▣ Helpers: limited capacity and bandwidth



# Resource Management

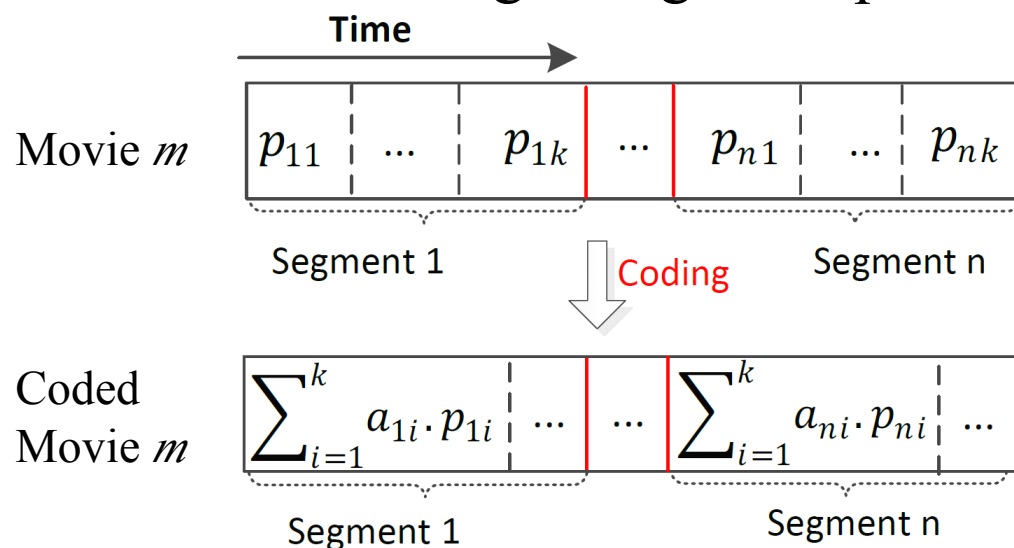
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- Optimal resource management
- Questions:
  - ▣ **Content placement:** Which packets of each video should a helper node store?
  - ▣ **Bandwidth allocation:** Which packets, and to which users, should each helper serve?
- NP-complete

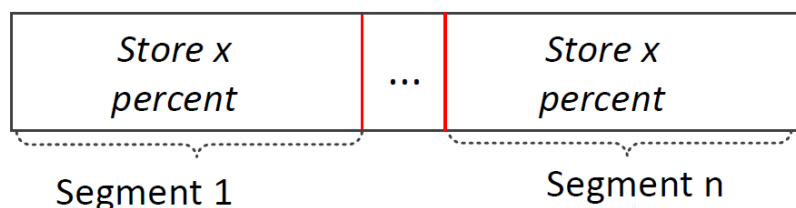
# Resource Management (Network Coding)

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- Network coding changes the problem to a linear programming



- Storing  $x$  percent of each segment



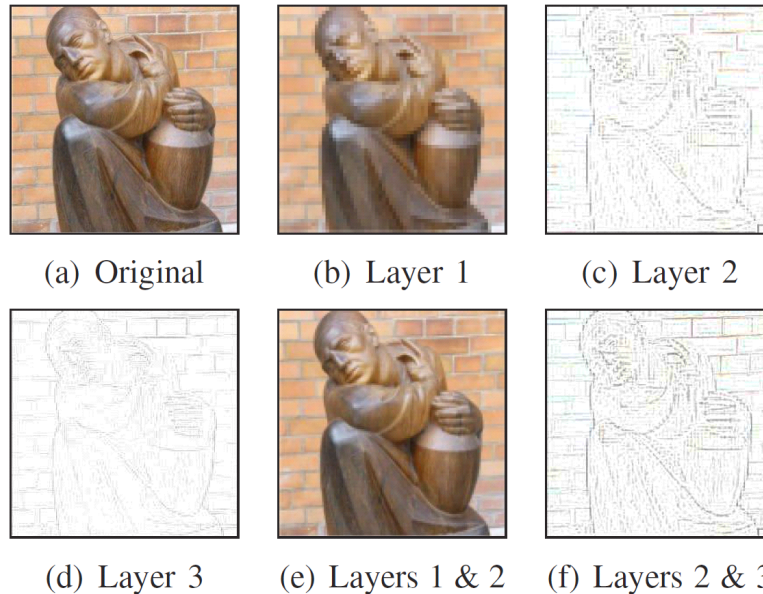
No longer NP-complete  
Flow-based model using  
network coding



# Multi-Layer Video

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- Benefits of multi-layer
  - ▣ Provides smooth playback for the users
  - ▣ Reduces the load on the server with a fixed number of users
  - ▣ More layers increases system scalability

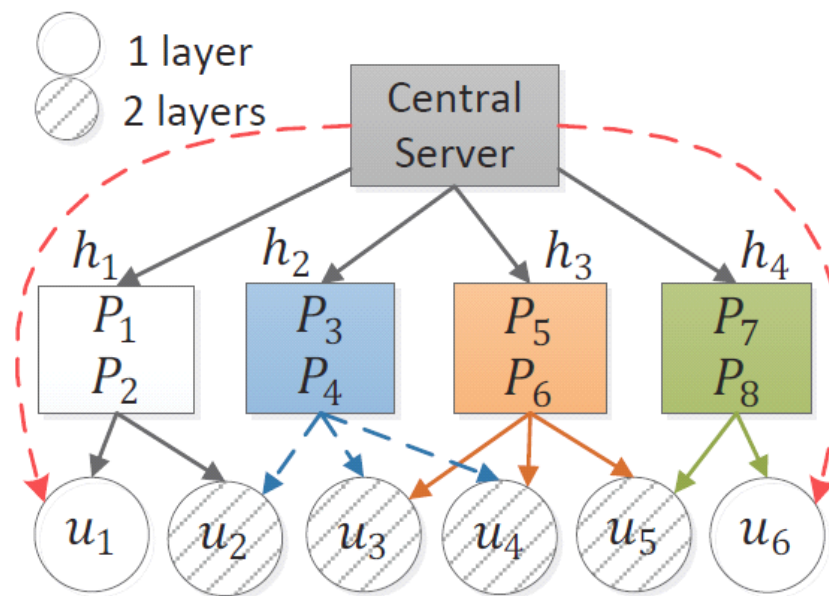


# Motivation

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- Single video with 4 packets
- No-layer approach  
(Hao et al. 2011)
  - ▣ 4 packets in the same layer
  - ▣ Load on the server: 4

$$[p_1 | p_2 | p_3 | p_4] \longrightarrow P_i = \sum_{j=1}^4 \alpha_{i,j} p_j$$



# Motivation

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- Single video with 4 packets
- Intra-layer approach

(Ostovari, Khreishah, and Wu 2013)

- ▣ 2 packets per layer
- ▣ Load on the server: 2

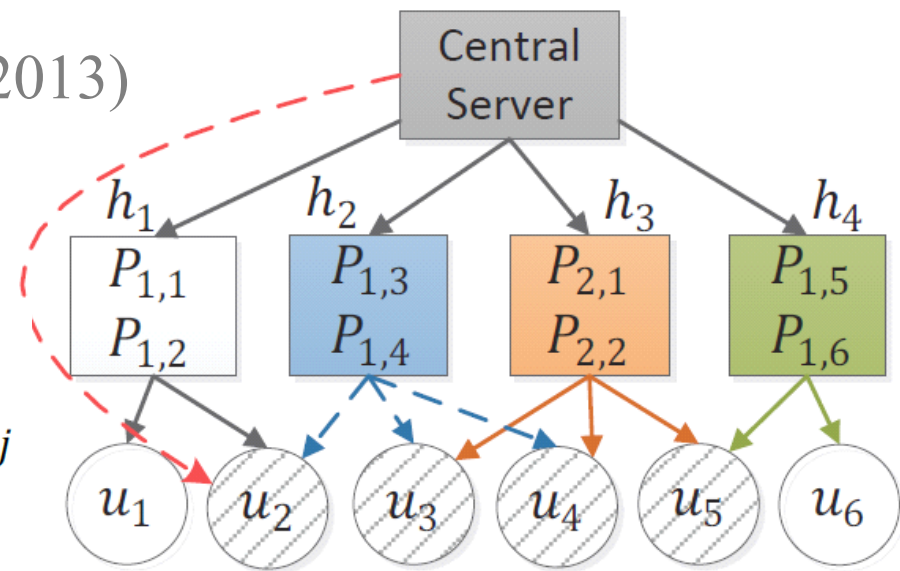
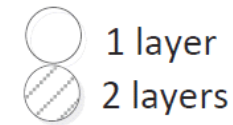
Layer 1  $\boxed{p_{1,1} | p_{1,2}}$

Intra-layer  
coding  $\rightarrow$

Layer 2  $\boxed{p_{2,1} | p_{2,2}}$

$$P_{1,i} = \sum_{j=1}^2 \alpha_{i,j} p_{1,j}$$

$$P_{2,i} = \sum_{j=1}^2 \alpha_{i,j} p_{2,j}$$



# Motivation

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- Single video with 4 packets
- Inter- and intra-layer coding

(Ostovari, Khreishah, and Wu 2013)

- ▣ Prefix coding
- ▣ 2 packets per layer
- ▣ Load on the server: 0

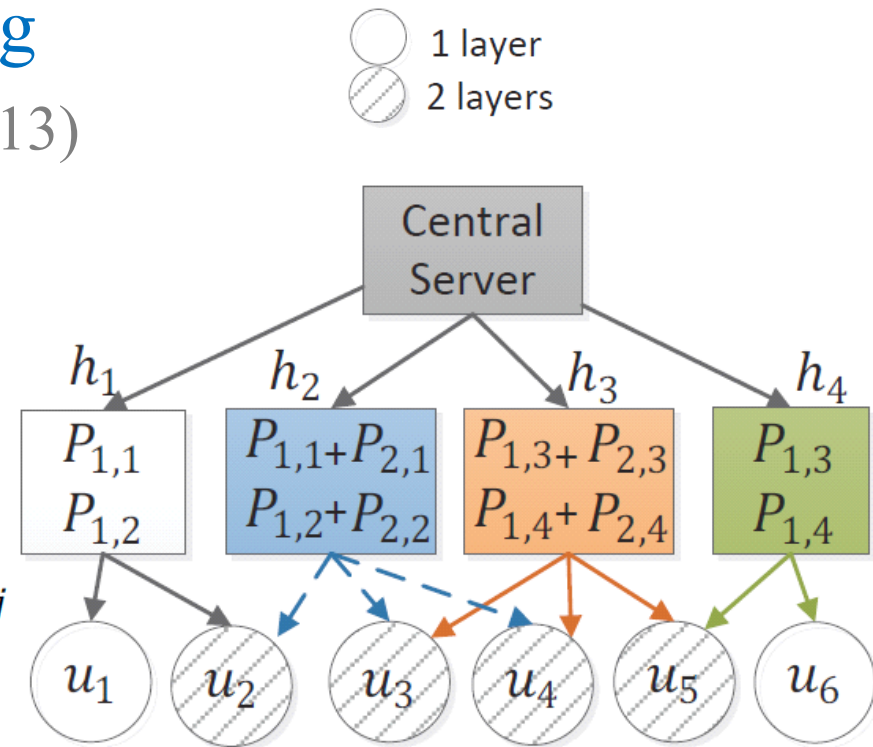
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Intra-layer  
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Layer 2  $\boxed{p_{2,1} | p_{2,2}}$

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Triangular coding

# VoD with Inter- and Intra-Layer NC

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$$\begin{aligned} & \max \sum_{\substack{i,k: \\ m_k=q_i}} \sum_{\substack{j,l:h_j \in N(u_i) \\ l \leq c_i}} x_{ji}^{kl} \\ \text{s.t.} \end{aligned}$$

Objective function (maximize upload rate from helpers to users)

$$x_{ji}^{kl} \leq f_j^{kl} \times \frac{r_k}{L}, \quad \forall j, i, l : u_i \in N(h_j), l \leq L$$

The upload rate of a cache cannot exceed the rate of the stored videos

- $x_{ji}^{kl}$  : Upload rate from helper  $h_j$  to user  $u_i$  over layer  $l$  of video  $m_k$
- $f_j^{kl}$  : Fraction of the layer  $l$  of video  $m_k$  that is stored on helper  $h_j$
- $r_k$  : Rate of video  $m_k$
- $L$  : Number of layers of a video
- $N(u_i)$  : Adjacent helpers to user  $u_i$
- $u_i$  's request:  $(c_i, q_i) = (\text{quality level}, \text{video})$

# VoD with Inter- and Intra-Layer NC

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$$\sum_{\substack{i,k:u_i \in N(h_j) \\ m_k=q_i}} \sum_{l \leq c_i} x_{ji}^{kl} \leq B_j, \quad \forall j : h_j \in H$$

Bandwidth constraints

$$\sum_{k:m_k \in M} \sum_{l:l \leq L} f_j^{kl} \times \frac{v_k}{L} \leq S_j, \quad \forall j : h_j \in H$$

Storage constraints

$$\sum_{l=1}^{l'} \sum_{j:h_j \in N(u_i)} x_{ji}^{kl} \leq \frac{r_k}{L} \times l', \quad \forall i, l' : 1 \leq l' \leq c_i$$

Limits the total download of a user to the rate of the video

- $B_j$  : The bandwidth limit of helper  $h_j$
- $S_j$  : The capacity limit of helper  $h_j$

# VoD with Intra-Layer NC

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- The difference is in the last constraint

$$\sum_{j: h_j \in N(u_i)} x_{ji}^{kl} \leq \frac{r_k}{L}, \quad \forall i, l : u_i \in U, l \leq c_i$$

Limits the total download of a user to the rate of the video

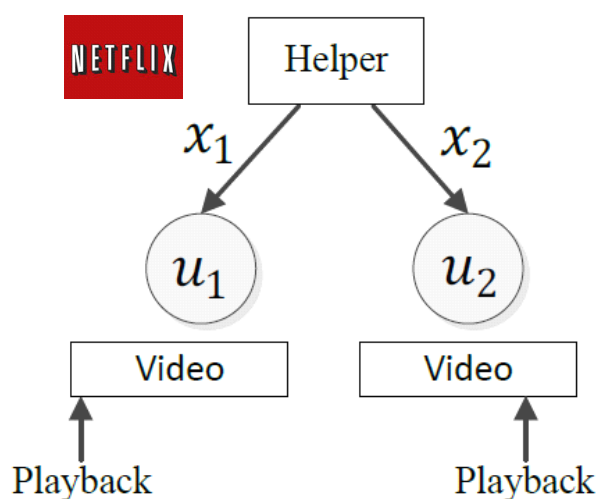
$U$ : the set of users

- The objective function and other constraints are the same

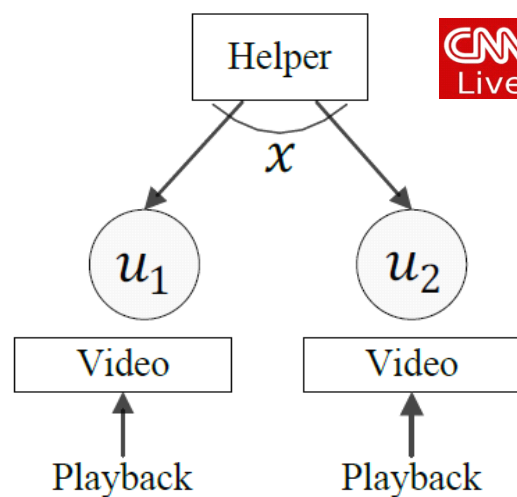
# Live Streaming (TV)

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- Videos are broadcast to the users
- Synchronous playback
  - ▣ Helpers do not need to allocate separate bandwidths to adjacent users that watch the same video



Total bandwidth:  $x_1+x_2$



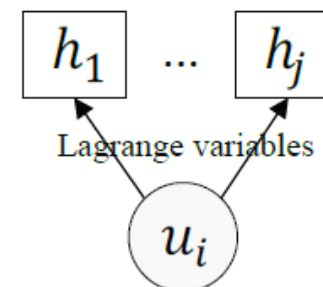
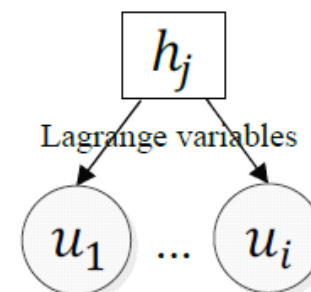
Total bandwidth:  $x$



# Distributed Algorithm

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- Dual optimization
  - ▣ Solving Lagrangian dual using gradient method
- Helper  $h_j$ 
  - ▣ Start from empty storage and dynamically adjust the amount of stored videos
  - ▣ Update and transmit Lagrange variables to adjacent users
- User  $u_i$ 
  - ▣ Update and transmit Lagrange variables to adjacent helpers
- Step control
  - ▣ Slope of changes: fast convergence vs. oscillation



# Simulations Setting

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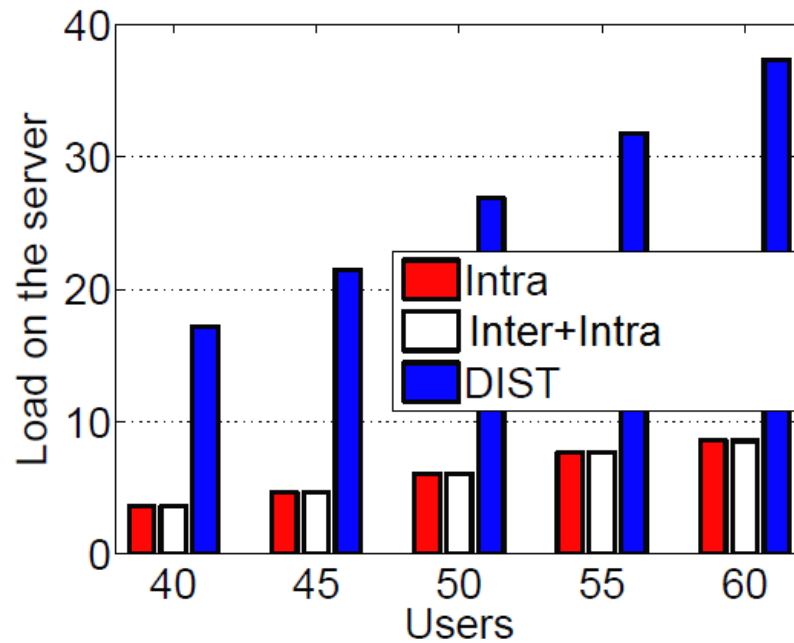
- MATLAB environment
- 100 random topologies
  - ▣ Random connections of helpers and users
  - ▣ Helpers: random bandwidth and capacity limit
  - ▣ Users: random requests
- Comparing with optimal non-layer approach
- Measuring
  - ▣ Load on the server
  - ▣ Convergence to optimal solution in dynamic environments

Video's rate	Video's size	Bandwidth capacity	Storage capacity	Num. of adjacent helpers to a user
[1,2] kbps	[0.5,2] MB	[2,4] kbps	[0.5,2] MB	[1,3]

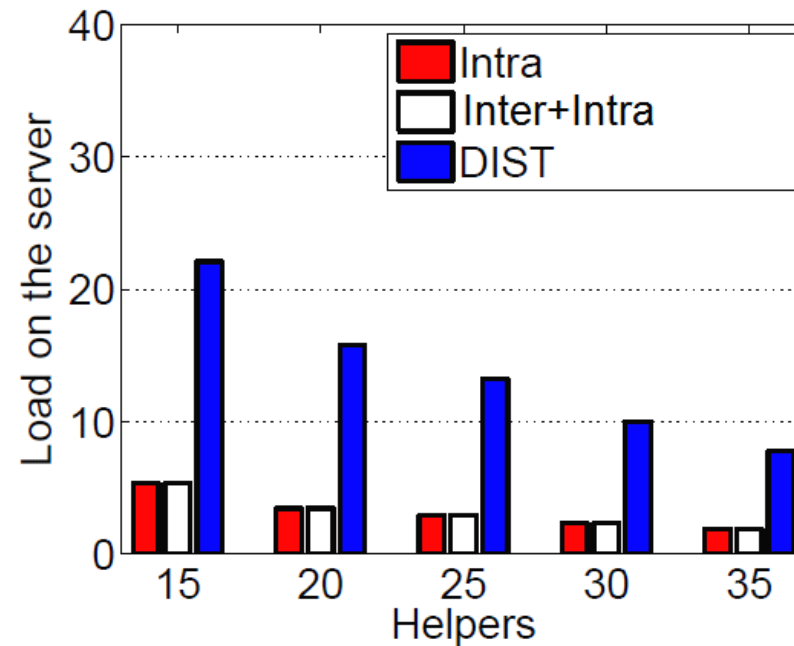
# Simulation Results (Load)

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- VoD
- Number of videos: 5
- Number of layers: 5
- DIST: a non-layer approach with intra-layer coding (Hao et al. 2011)



Number of helpers: 20

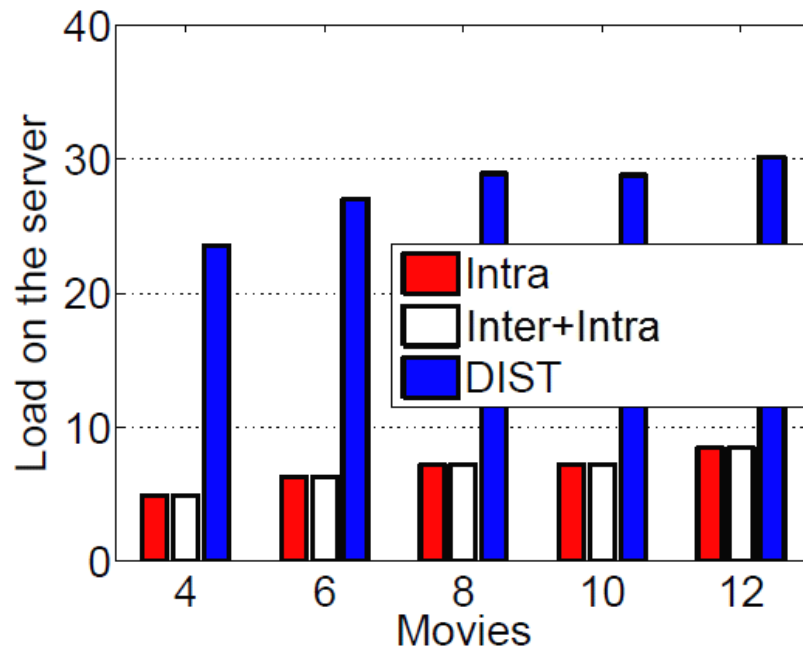


Number of users: 40

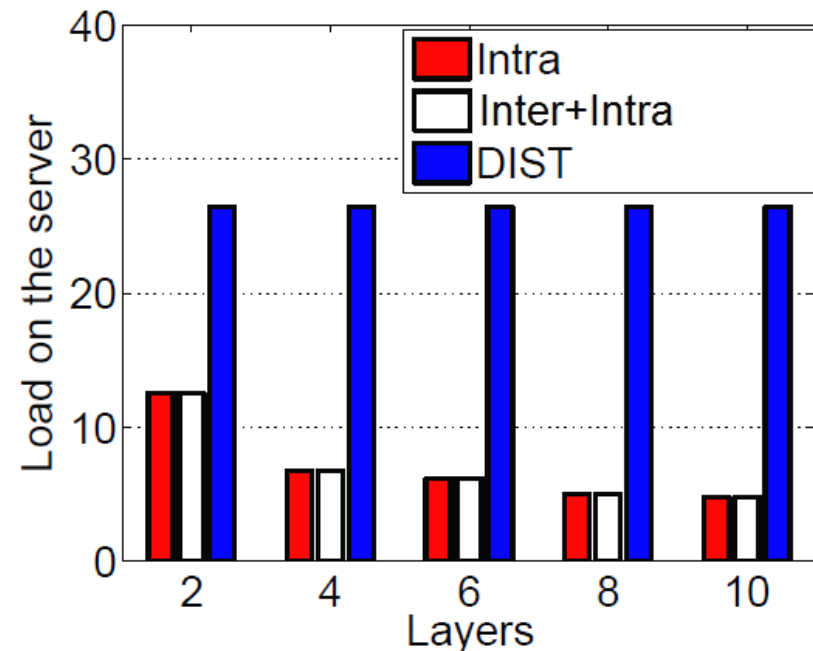
# Simulation Results (Load)

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- VoD
- Number of users: 50
- Number of helpers: 20



Number of layers: 5

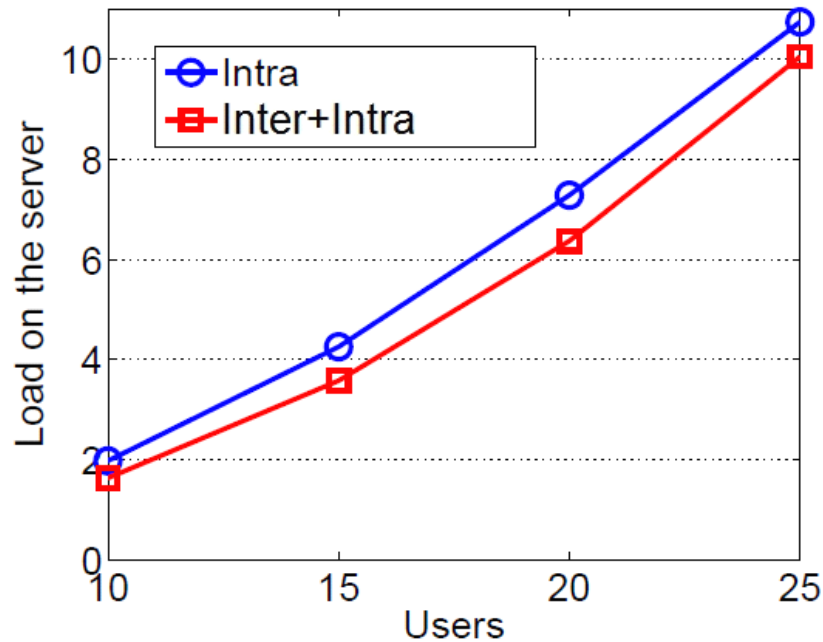


Number of videos: 5

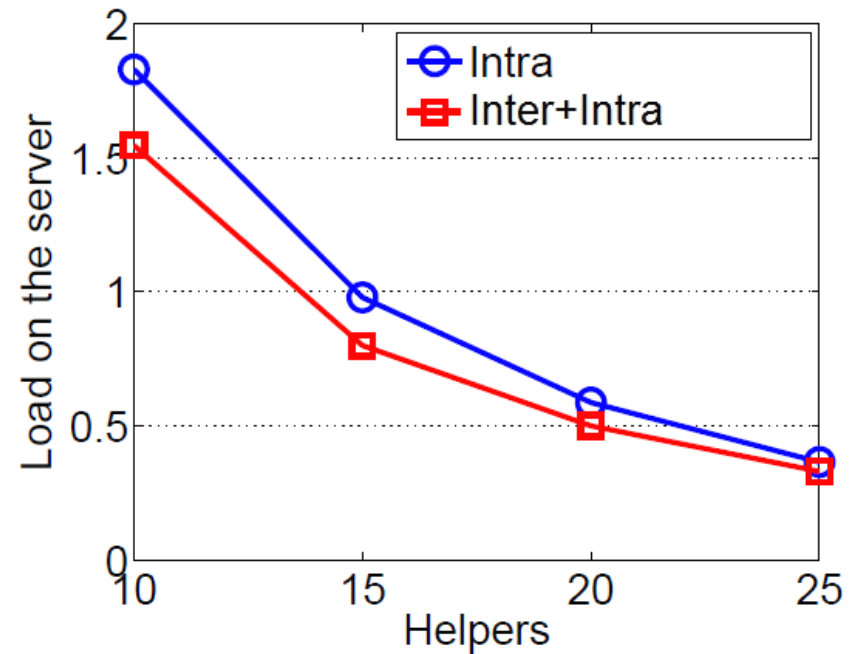
# Simulation Results (Load)

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- VoD
- Number of layers: 4
- Single video



Number of helpers: 10

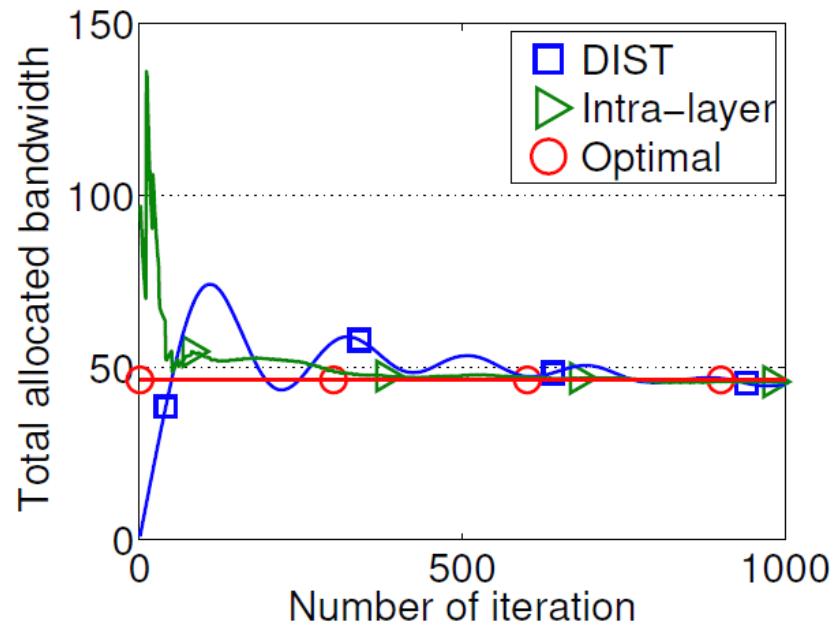


Number of users: 10

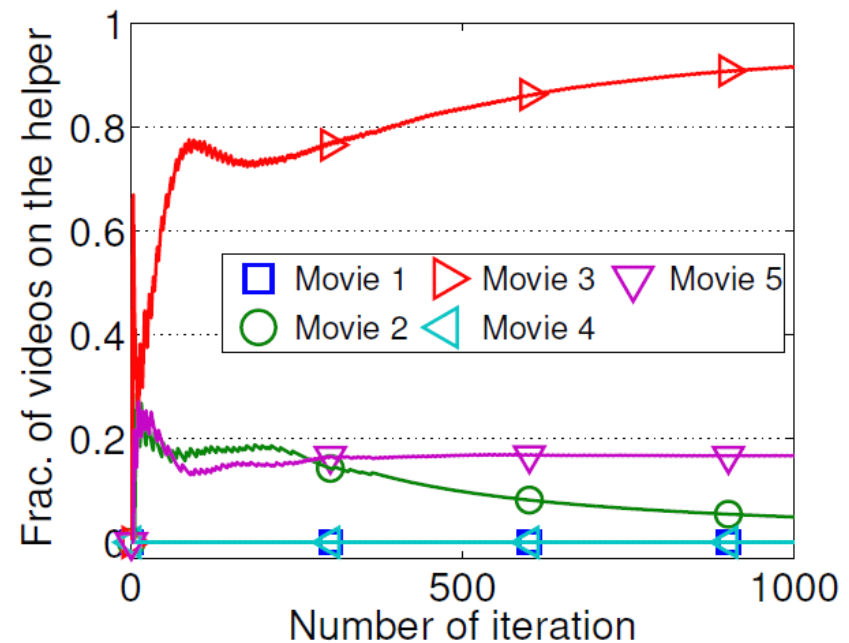
# Simulation Results (Convergence)

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- VoD                      Users: 50
- Layers: 4                Helpers: 20
- Videos: 5



Convergence to the optimal solution (LP)

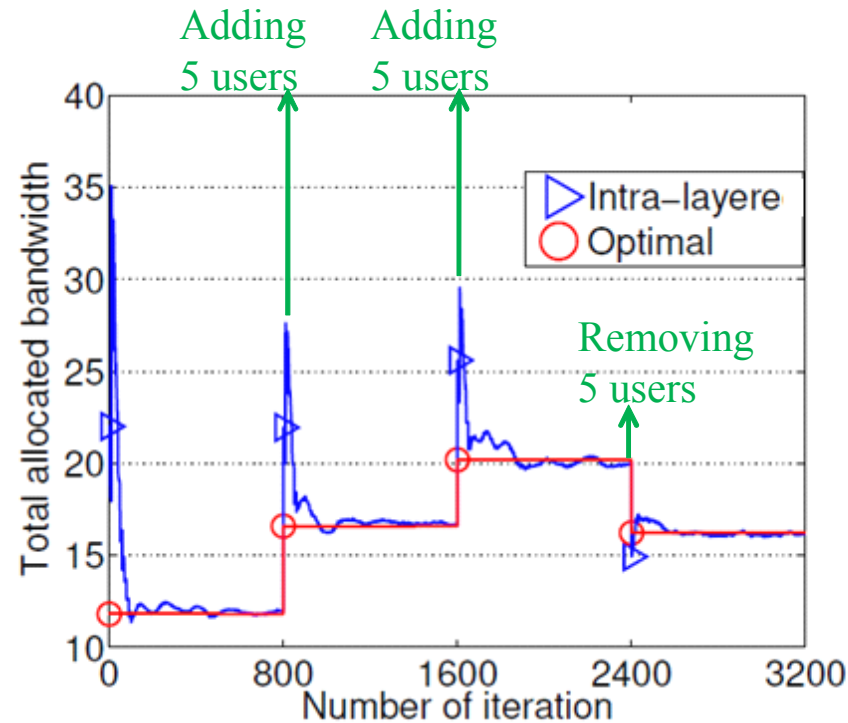


The fraction of each video on helper h5

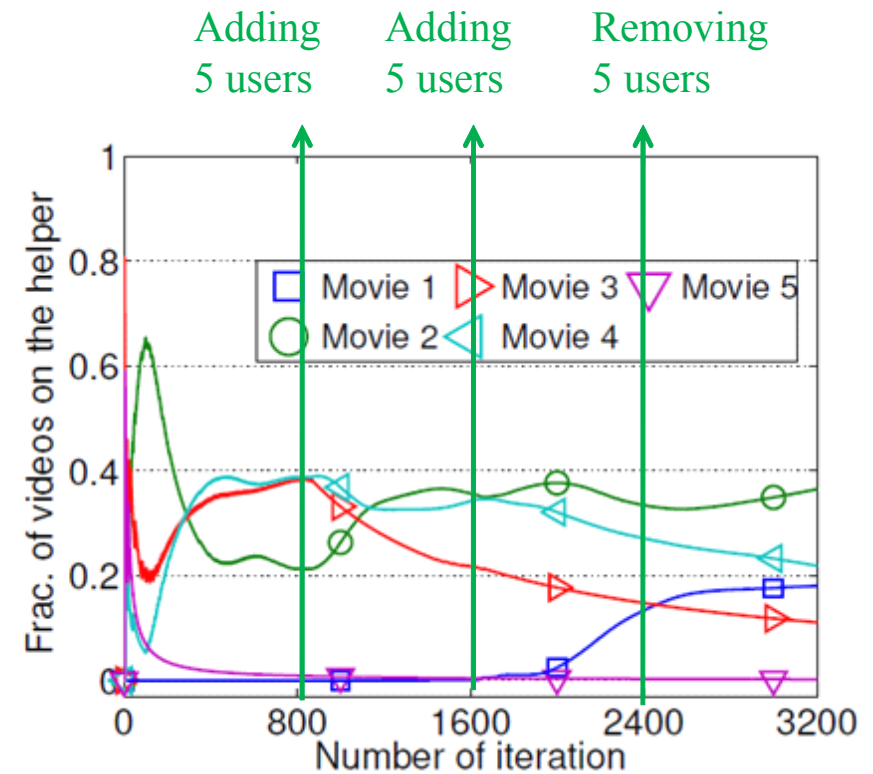
# Simulation Results (Dynamic Users)

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- VoD Initial Users: 10
- Layers: 4 Helpers: 10
- Videos: 5



Convergence to the optimal solution (LP)

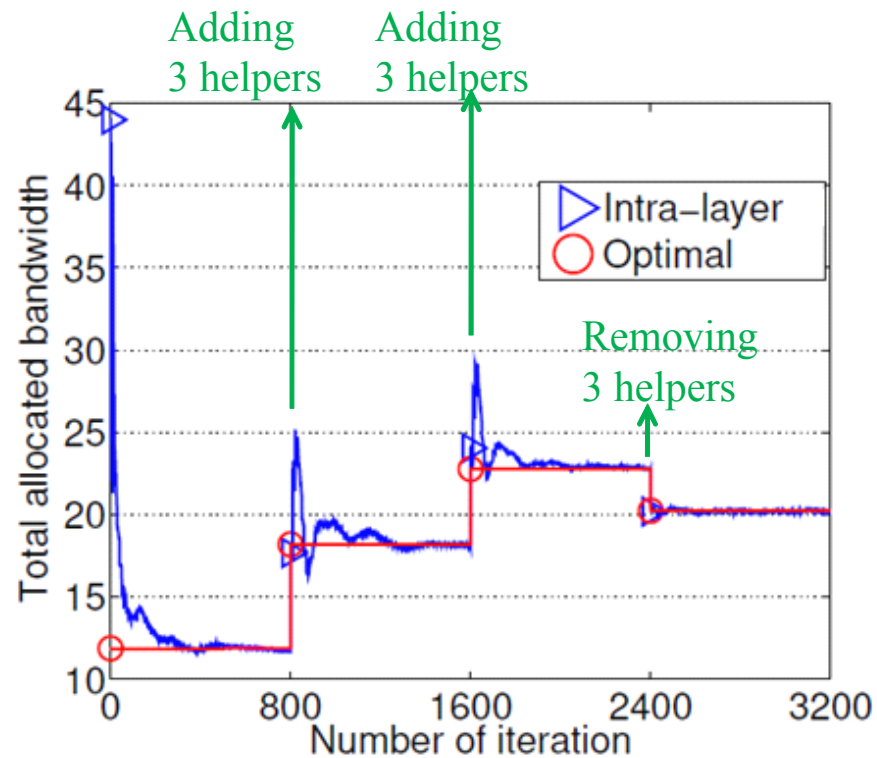


The fraction of each video on helper h8

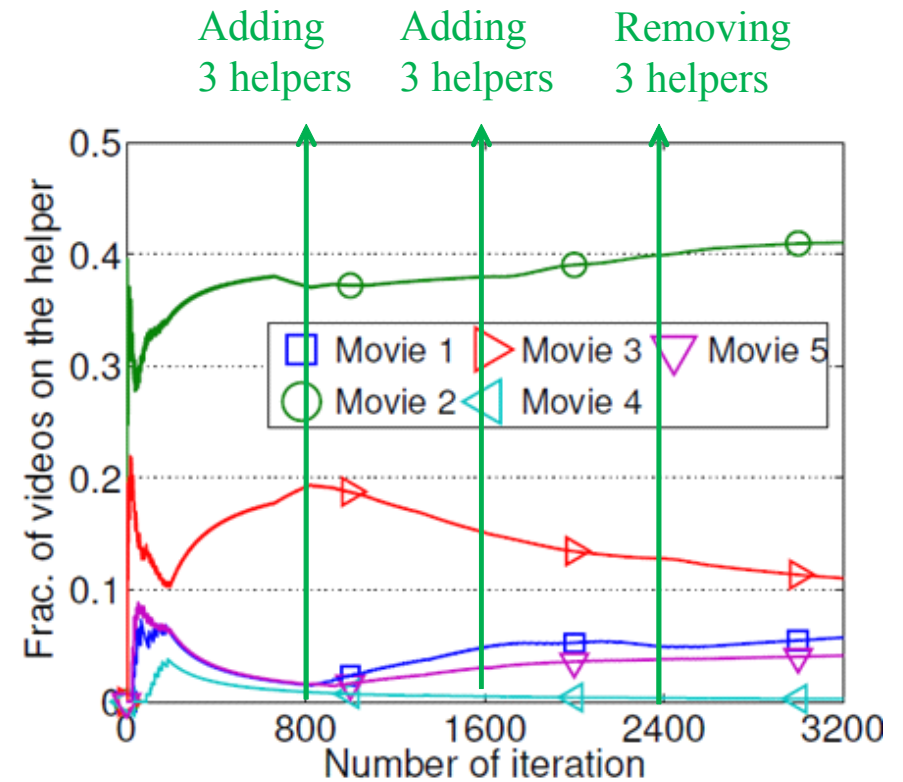
# Simulation Results (Dynamic Helpers)

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- VoD            Users: 20
- Layers: 4        Initial helpers: 6
- Videos: 5



Convergence to the optimal solution (LP)



The fraction of each video on helper h3



# Future Work and Challenges

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- Other objectives
  - ▣ Fairness, layers with different weights, ...
- Extension of layered VoD with unreliable links
  - ▣ Using symbol-level transmission work in layered VoD
- Cost-efficient helper provisioning
  - ▣ Based on user demands and resource availability
- Real implementation

# Conclusions

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## Priority-Based Network Coding

### □ Data transmission

- ▣ Transmitting the more important data with more redundancy

### □ Triangular coding in multi-layer video streaming

- ▣ Increasing the number of received layers

### □ VoD and live streaming using helper nodes in multi-layer video streaming

- ▣ Minimizing the load on the server

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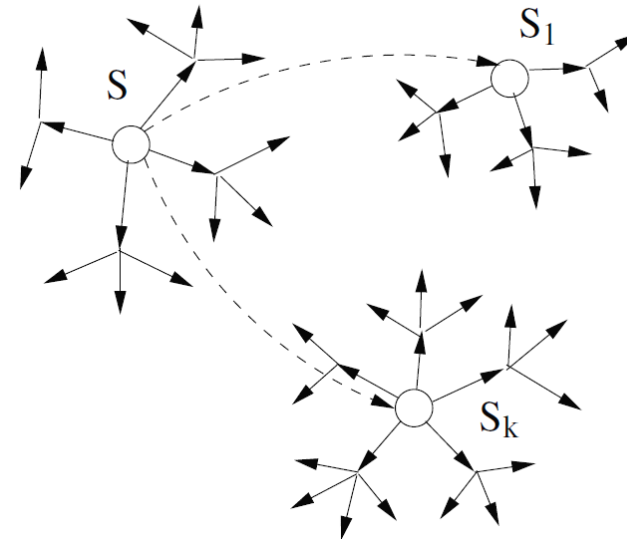
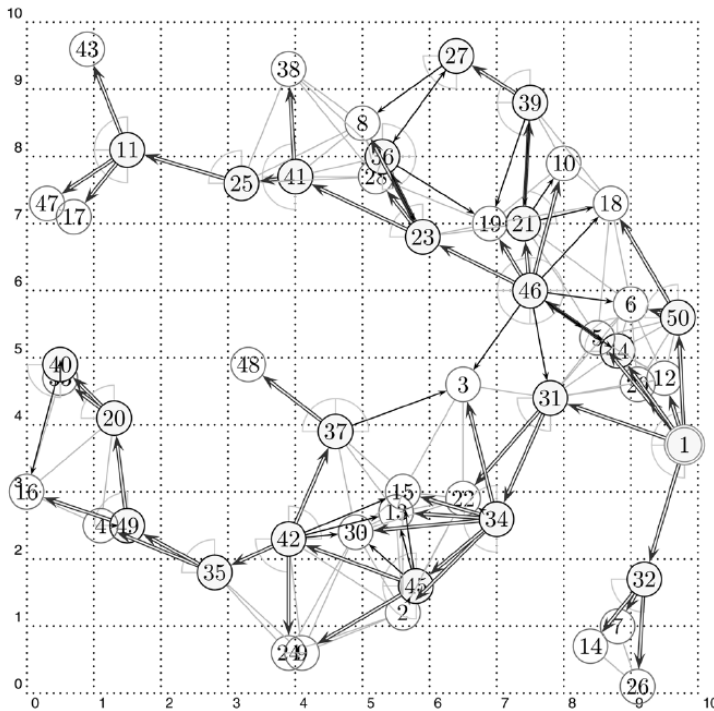
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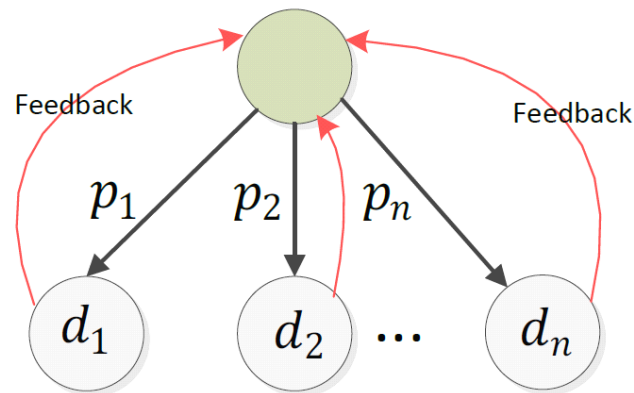
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  - Using both dominating set and directional antennas to reduce contention.



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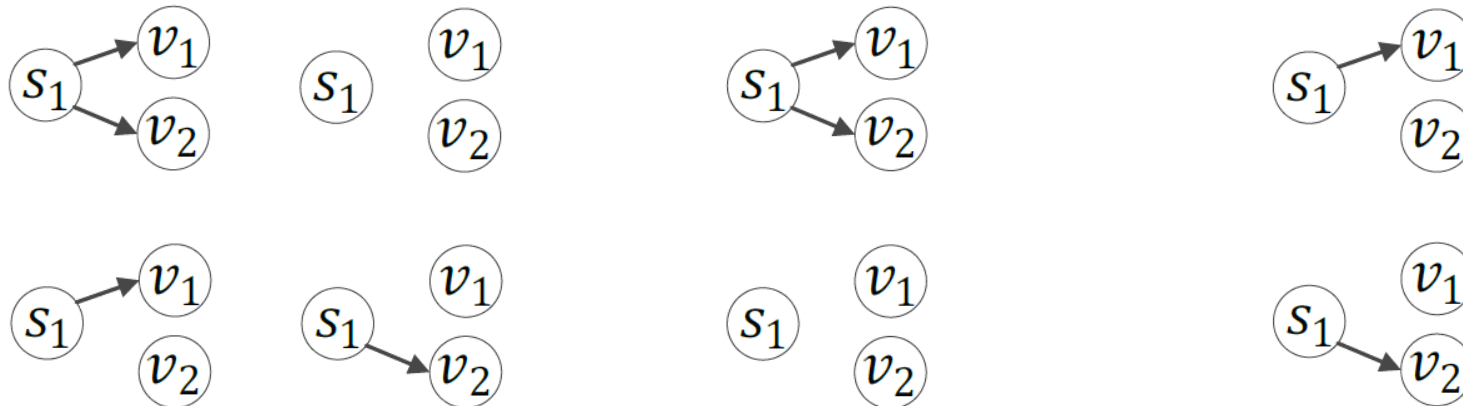
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  - Minimum-cost reliable broadcast considering the cost of feedback messages
  - Multiple retransmissions before receiving feedback
  - How many retransmissions are required?



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  - Distributed opportunistic routing algorithm
  - The correlation of the links through network tomography
  - Coded feedback (for source to determine the type of link failure)
  - Unicast (and multicast in *ACM MobiHoc 2012*)



Independent

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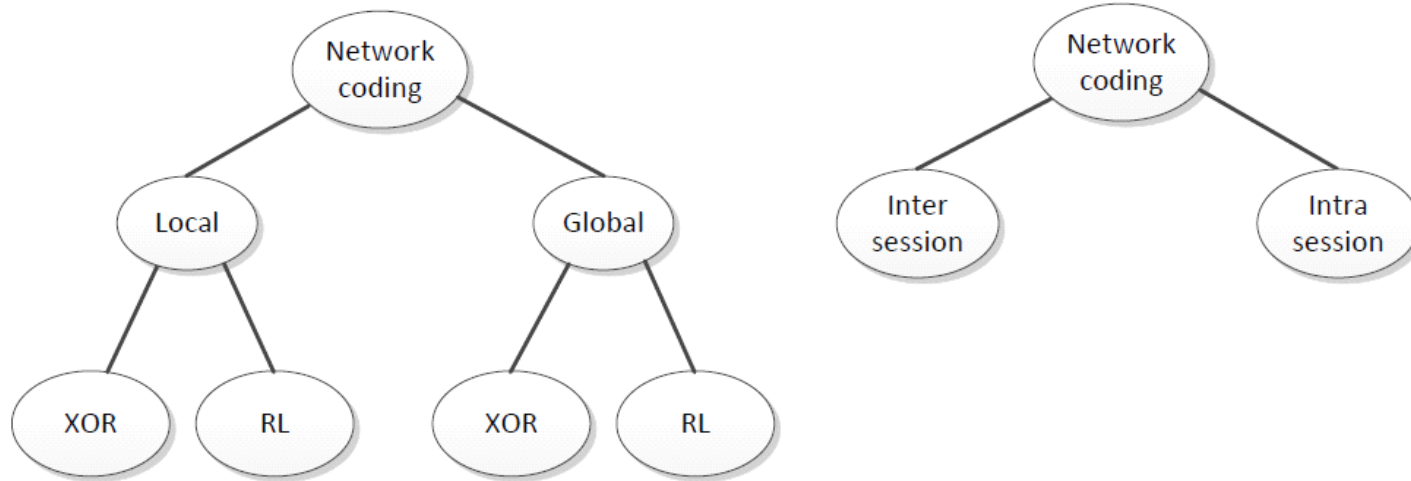
Negatively correlated



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