COMP 790-088: Networked & Distributed Systems

Distributed "Peer-to-Peer" Systems

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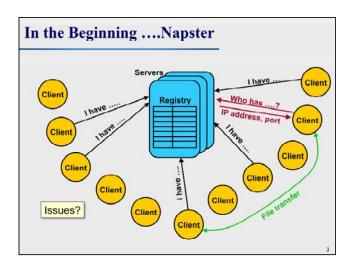
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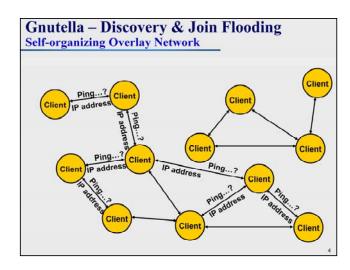
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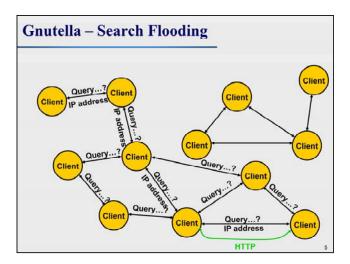
Object Discovery Protocols

- How to design a distributed system that helps members share objects (by exchanging copies of objects between peers)?
 - » Objects could be files, music, video, ...
 - . e.g., distributed file systems, usenet, naming service, etc.
 - » Object could be available at one, many, or none of the peers
- How to quickly find (and retrieve) the object?
 - » Data is important (location isn't)
 - Query refers to data (and not location)
 - ♦ Data placement unrelated to overlay topology

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Gnutella - Rules for Flooding

- Hop-count in messages limits horizon for forwarding
 May cause search to fail even if target exists
- Incoming Ping or Query messages are forwarded on all connections except the one that sent it
- Incoming Ping or Query messages that are duplicates should be discarded.
- Response messages should be forwarded only on the connection sending the original Ping or Query
- Response messages should be discarded if the node has not received the matching Ping or Query

Alternatives to flooding?

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