

Coded Caching with Error Correction

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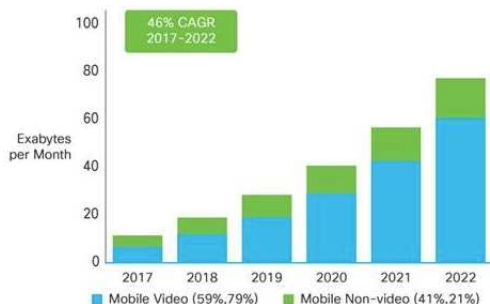
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- Coded Caching Problem
- Index Coding Problem
- Error Correction for Index Coding Problems
- Error Correction (Optimal) for Coded Caching:
 - Uncoded Prefetching Scheme: Symmetric Batch Prefetching.
 - Coded Prefetching Scheme: CFL Scheme
 - Shared Cache scheme
 - Ali-Niesen Decentralized Scheme
 - Least Recently Sent (LRS) Online Coded Caching Scheme

Motivation



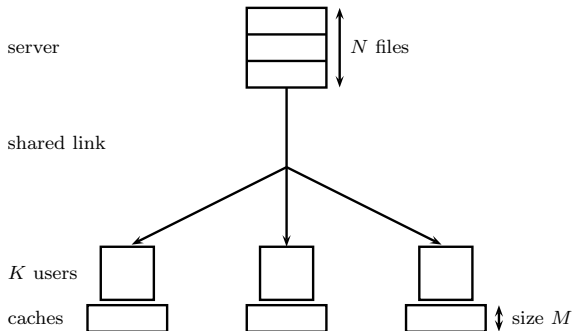
Note: Figures in parentheses refer to 2017 and 2022 traffic share.
Source: Cisco VNI Mobile, 2019

- **Video on demand** is increasing in popularity
- Mobile video will generate nearly **four-fifths** of mobile data traffic by 2022.
- Coded caching can be employed to reduce the **peak hour traffic**.

Motivation (continuation)

- Video Service providers
 - YouTube
 - Netflix streaming service
 - Amazon Instant Video
 - TikTok
- Service provider has to have large bandwidth
- Caches enable the server to reduce the transmission rates
 - High temporal traffic variability.
 - During low traffic period caches are filled with portions of content.
 - During peak traffic period server makes use of the content in cache to deliver the demands at reduced transmission rate.

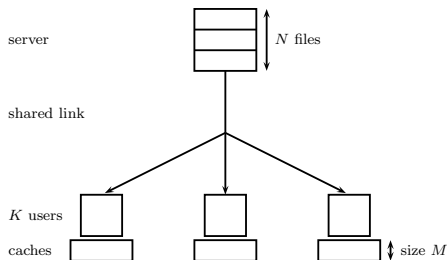
Problem Setting



- Server has N files each of size F bits.
- K users each having a cache of size MF bits



Placement and Delivery Phases (Joint Design)



• Placement Phase:

- The network **not congested**.
- The **main limitation** is the **size of the cache** memories.
- Demands **not revealed**

• Delivery Phase:

- Demands are revealed.
- The network is **congested**.
- The **main limitation** is the **rate**.

- Finding the **optimal caching scheme** for a given N , K and M .

Uncoded Caching Vs Coded Caching

- No Caching

- Rate $R = K$

- Uncoded Caching

- $\frac{M}{N}$ fraction of each file stored in the cache.
- Server to send to each user $(1 - \frac{M}{N})$ fraction of the demanded file.
- Rate $R_U = K(1 - \frac{M}{N})$.

- Coded Caching

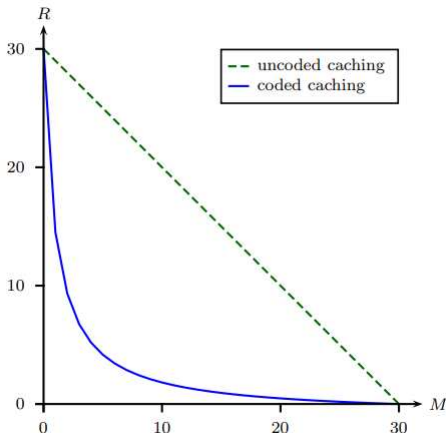
- Apart from the local caching gain, global caching gain is also achieved.

- Rate $R_C = K \underbrace{\left(1 - \frac{M}{N}\right)}_{\text{Local Caching Gain}} \underbrace{\left(\frac{1}{1 + \frac{KM}{N}}\right)}_{\text{Global caching gain}}$

- Global caching gain is proportional to global cache size.

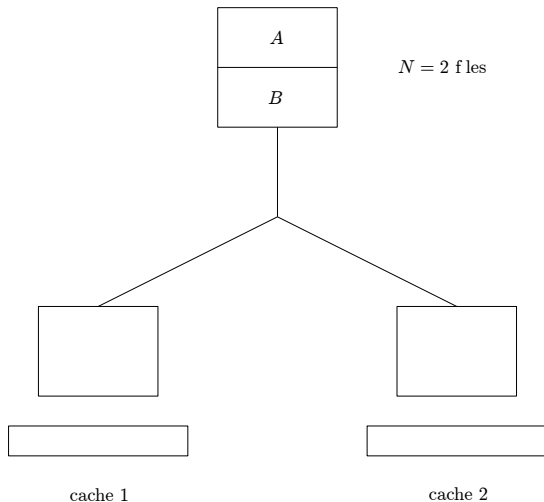
Uncoded Caching Vs Coded Caching

- **Rate-Memory trade-off** for $N = K = 30$.

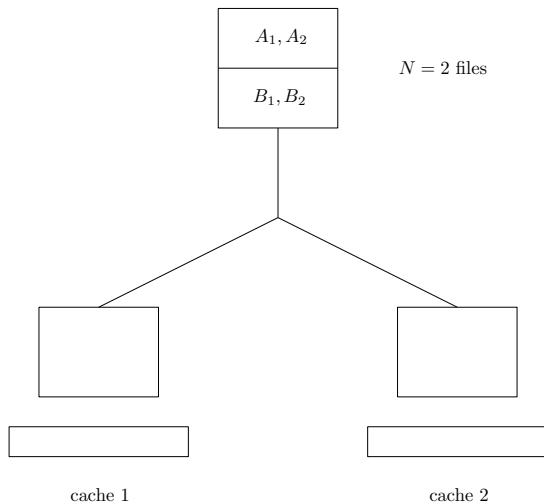


Example: Maddah-Ali and Niesen Scheme

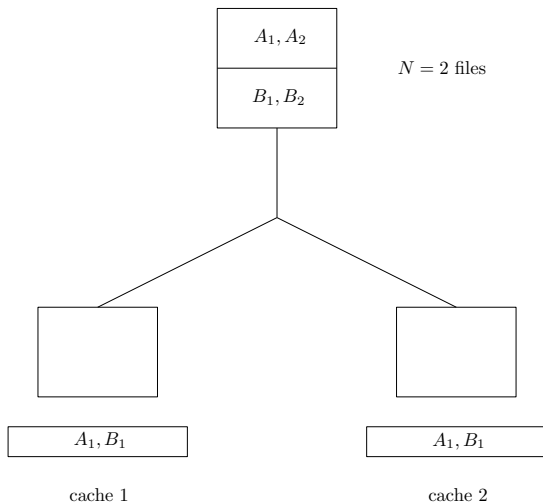
- $N = 2$ files, $K = 2$ users, cache size $M = 1$



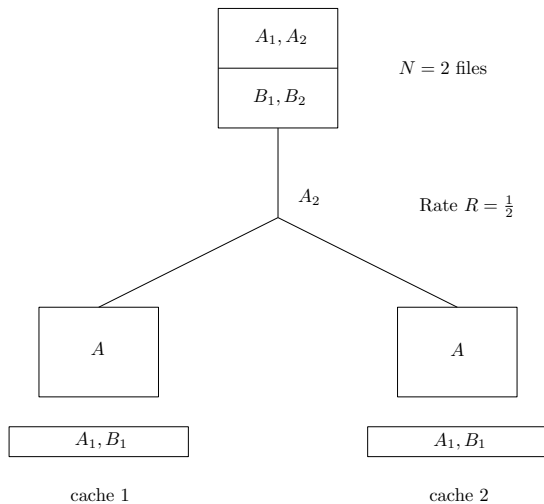
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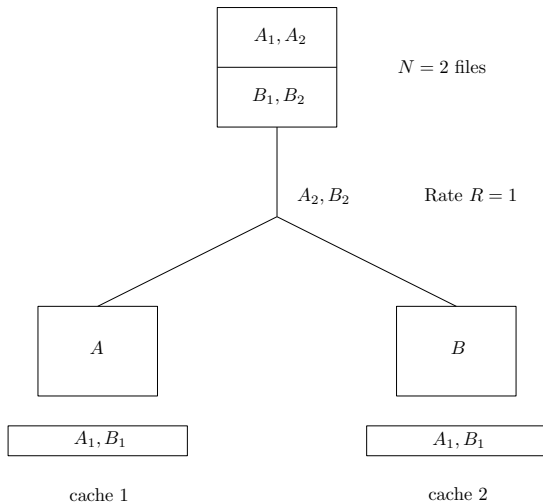
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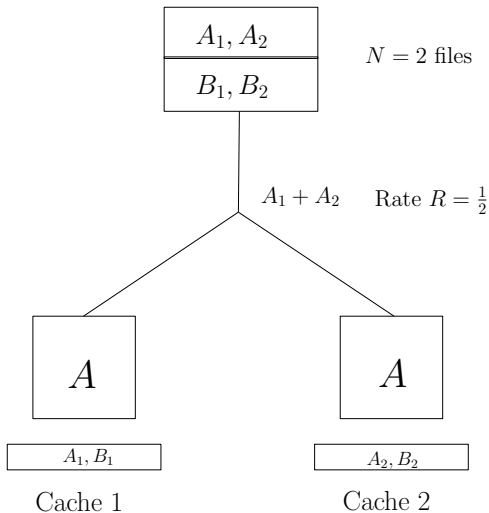


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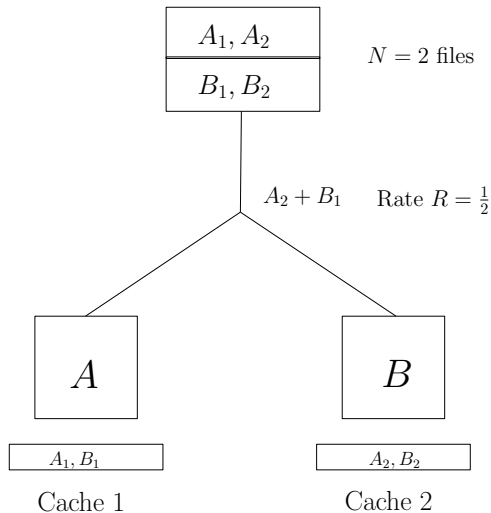


- Change in demand changes the number of transmissions required.

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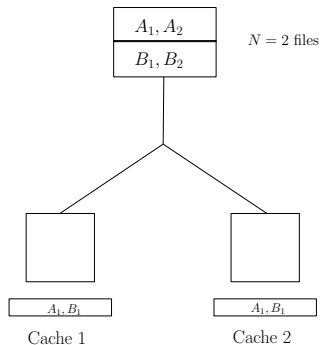


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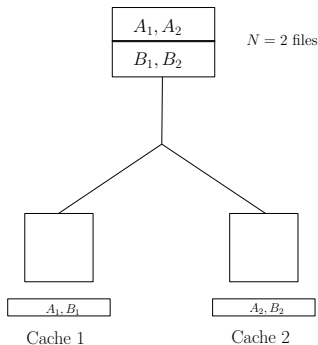
$N = 2, K = 2, M = 1$

(Coded Multicasting)



Demands	Transmissions
A, A	A_2
A, B	A_2, B_2
B, A	B_2, A_2
B, B	B_2

Worst case rate $R = 1$
Uncoded transmissions

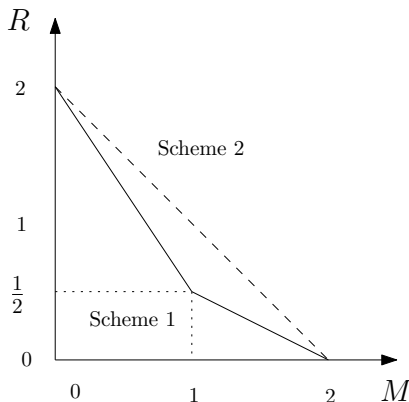


Demands	Transmissions
A, A	$A_2 + A_1$
A, B	$A_2 + B_1$
B, A	$B_2 + A_1$
B, B	$B_1 + B_2$

Worst case rate $R = 1/2$
Coded transmissions

Rate-Memory trade-off

- As memory increases, demands can be delivered at a smaller rate.
- $M = 0$: All files have to be delivered when demanded, $R = N$
- $M = N$: All files can be stored in cache, $R = 0$.
- Scheme 1 (Coded Caching) and Scheme 2 (Uncoded Caching) for $N = K = 2$



General Setup

- N files X_1, X_2, \dots, X_N .
- Demand $\mathbf{d} = (d_1, d_2, \dots, d_K)$.
 - d_i is the index of the file demanded by user i .
- Cache contents $\mathcal{M} = (\mathcal{M}_1, \mathcal{M}_2, \dots, \mathcal{M}_K)$
 - \mathcal{M}_i is indices of the bits stored in the cache of user i .
- Rate R is achievable for a demand \mathbf{d} and a prefetching \mathcal{M} if there exists a message of length RF such that every user is able to decode X_{d_k} .
- $R^*(\mathbf{d}, \mathcal{M})$: Minimum achievable rate for given \mathbf{d} and \mathcal{M} .
- $R^*(\mathcal{M}) = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{d}}[R^*(\mathbf{d}, \mathcal{M})]$.
- $R^* = \min_{\mathcal{M}} R^*(\mathcal{M})$.
- $R_{\text{peak}}^*(\mathcal{M}) = \min_{\mathbf{d}} \max_{\mathbf{d}} R^*(\mathbf{d}, \mathcal{M})$.
- $R_{\text{peak}}^* = \min_{\mathcal{M}} R_{\text{peak}}^*(\mathcal{M})$.

Symmetric batch prefetching

- For $r = 1, 2, \dots, K$, each file X_i is partitioned into $\binom{K}{r}$ non-overlapping subfiles.
- A subfile of file X_i is $X_{i,\mathcal{A}}$, where $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \{1, \dots, K\}$, $|\mathcal{A}| = r$.
- Each user $k \in \{1, 2, \dots, K\}$ caches subfiles $X_{i,\mathcal{A}}$ for all $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$.
- Each user caches $\binom{K-1}{r-1}N$ subfiles each of size $F/\binom{K}{r}$ bits.
- The number of bits cached at each user is $\binom{K-1}{r-1}NF/\binom{K}{r} = \frac{rN}{K}F$ bits
- This corresponds to $M = \frac{rN}{K}$.



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Delivery Scheme

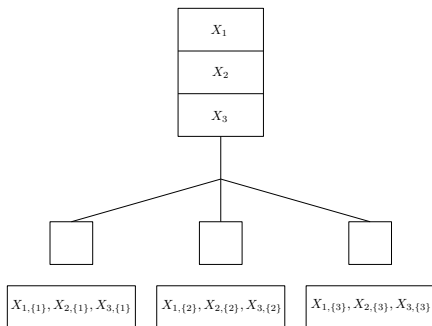
- Delivery scheme for distinct demands.
 - For every subset \mathcal{B} of $r + 1$ users, $Y_{\mathcal{B}} = \bigoplus_{k \in \mathcal{B}} X_{d_k, \mathcal{B} \setminus \{k\}}$
 - The expression for **peak rate**: $R_{\text{peak}}^* = K \left(1 - \frac{M}{N}\right) \left(\frac{1}{1 + \frac{KM}{N}}\right)$
- Considering all the demand cases (including the non-distinct demand case):
 - The expression for **average rate**: $R^* = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{d}} \left[\frac{\binom{K}{r+1} - \binom{K - N_e(\mathbf{d})}{r+1}}{\binom{K}{r}} \right]$
 - $N_e(\mathbf{d})$ is the number of distinct files demanded.
- YMA scheme is **optimal** for symmetric batch prefetching.



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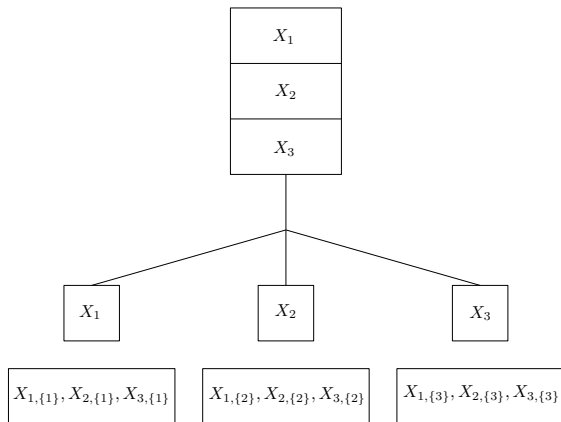
Example: Symmetric batch prefetching

- $N = 3$ files : X_1, X_2 and X_3 .
- $K = 3$ users; cache size $M = 1$
- $r = \frac{KM}{N} = 1$
- Each file is partitioned into $\binom{K}{r} = 3$ subfiles
 - $X_1 : X_{1,\{1\}}, X_{1,\{2\}}, X_{1,\{3\}}$
 - $X_2 : X_{2,\{1\}}, X_{2,\{2\}}, X_{2,\{3\}}$
 - $X_3 : X_{3,\{1\}}, X_{3,\{2\}}, X_{3,\{3\}}$
- User i caches $\mathcal{M}_i = \{X_{1,\{i\}}, X_{2,\{i\}}, X_{3,\{i\}}\}$



Example: Delivery Scheme

- $\mathbf{d} = (1, 2, 3)$
- For every subset \mathcal{A} of $r + 1$ users $Y_{\mathcal{A}} = \bigoplus_{k \in \mathcal{A}} X_{d_k, \mathcal{A} \setminus \{k\}}$



- $\mathcal{A} = \{1, 2\}$

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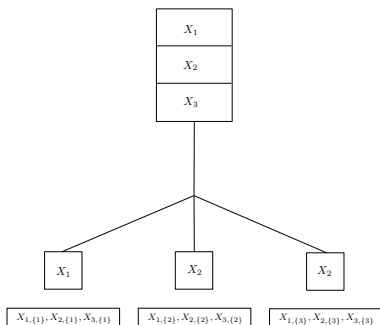
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- $\mathcal{A} = \{2, 3\}$

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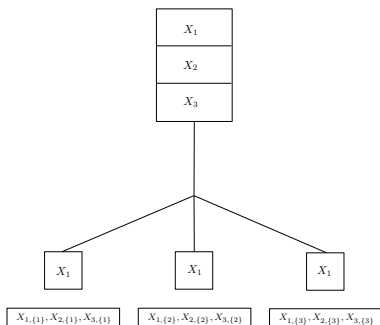
- $\mathbf{d} = (1, 2, 2)$
- Leader set of users (\mathcal{U}): set of users demanding distinct files.
- Here $\mathcal{U} = \{1, 2\}$.
- For every subset \mathcal{A} of $r + 1$ users such that $\mathcal{A} \cap \mathcal{U} \neq \emptyset$ transmit
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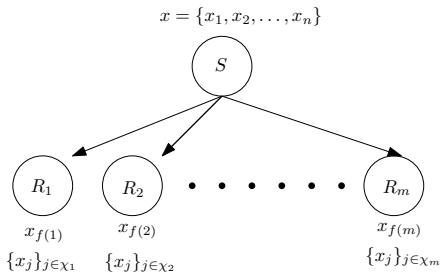
- $\mathbf{d} = (1, 1, 1)$
- Leader set of users (\mathcal{U}): set of users demanding distinct files.
- Here $\mathcal{U} = \{1\}$.
- For every subset \mathcal{A} of $r + 1$ users such that $\mathcal{A} \cap \mathcal{U} \neq \emptyset$ transmit
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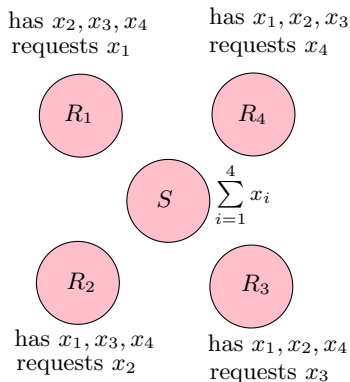
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Index Coding Problem

- Sender S having n independent messages $x = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$.
- m receivers R_1, R_2, \dots, R_m .
- Each receiver R_i knows a subset of messages $\mathcal{K}_i \subset x$ (or equivalently $\{x_j\}_{j \in \mathcal{K}_i}$).
- Each receiver R_i demands a subset of messages $\mathcal{W}_i \subseteq x$ (or equivalently and **w.l.o.g. a single message $x_{f(i)}$**).



A simple example



- Naive approach - transmit four messages one after another.
- Index coding - Only one transmission (sum of all the messages).

IC and δ -ECIC: Definitions

- An *index code* over \mathbb{F}_q is an encoding function $\mathfrak{C} : \mathbb{F}_q^n \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q^N$ such that for each receiver R_i , $i \in [m]$, there exists a decoding function $\mathfrak{D}_i : \mathbb{F}_q^N \times \mathbb{F}_q^{|\mathcal{X}_i|} \rightarrow \mathbb{F}_q$ satisfying

$$\text{for IC : } \mathfrak{D}_i(\mathfrak{C}(x), x_{\mathcal{X}_i}) = x_{f(i)} \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{F}_q^n$$

$$\text{for ECIC : } \mathfrak{D}_i(\mathfrak{C}(x) + \epsilon_i, x_{\mathcal{X}_i}) = x_{f(i)} \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{F}_q^n, \epsilon_i \in \mathbb{F}_q^N, \text{wt}(\epsilon_i) \leq \delta.$$

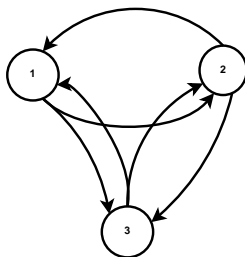
- The parameter N is the *length* of the index code.
- An index code is linear if \mathfrak{C} is a linear transformation.
- For linear index codes $\mathfrak{C}(x) = xL$ where L is an $n \times N$ matrix.



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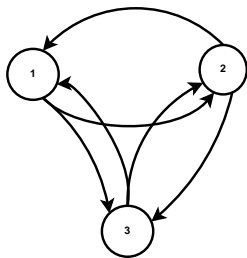
Graphical Representation of Index Coding problems

- Any Index Coding problem can be represented using **side-information (directed) hypergraph** [1] with vertex set $\mathcal{V}=[n]$ hyper-edge set $\mathcal{E}_{\mathcal{H}}$, where $\mathcal{E}_{\mathcal{H}} = \{(f(i), \mathcal{X}_i) : i \in [m]\}$.
- Vertex v_i represents message x_i and each hyper-edge a receiver.
- **Example:** $n = 3, m = 4$: $f(1) = 1, f(2) = 2, f(3) = 3, f(4) = 2$, $\mathcal{X}_1 = \{2, 3\}, \mathcal{X}_2 = \{1\}, \mathcal{X}_3 = \{1, 2\}, \mathcal{X}_4 = \{3\}$, the \mathcal{H} is



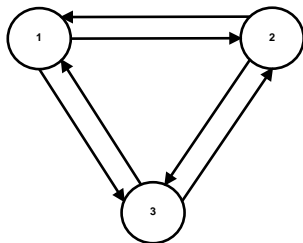
Graphical Representation of Index Coding problems

- For general index coding problems, the side information hypergraph \mathcal{H} **cannot be replaced** by corresponding directed graph in Figure (b).



(a)

(a) Side-information hypergraph



(b)

(b) Directed graph

Min-rank $\kappa_q(\mathcal{H})$ of a hypergraph \mathcal{H}

- The min-rank of the hypergraph \mathcal{H} over the finite field with q elements \mathbb{F}_q is defined in [1] as,

$$\kappa_q(\mathcal{H}) \triangleq \min\{\text{rank}_q(\{\mathbf{v}_i + \mathbf{e}_{f(i)}\}_{i \in [m]}) : \mathbf{v}_i \in \mathbb{F}_q^n, \mathbf{v}_i \triangleleft \mathcal{X}_i\},$$

- $\mathbf{v}_i \triangleleft \mathcal{X}_i$ denotes that the support of \mathbf{v}_i is a subset of \mathcal{X}_i .
- $\mathbf{e}_i = (\underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{i-1}, 1, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{n-i}) \in \mathbb{F}_q^n$.



[1] Z. Bar-Yossef, Z. Birk, T.S. Jayaram, and T. Kol, "Index coding with side information", in *Proc. 47th Annu. IEEE symp. Found. Comput. Sci.*, pp.197-206, Oct. 2006.

Example: Min-rank Calculation

- $n = 3$ messages, $m = 4$ receivers.
- Demands: $f(1) = 1$, $f(2) = 2$, $f(3) = 3$ and $f(4) = 2$.
- Side-information: $\mathcal{X}_1 = \{2, 3\}$, $\mathcal{X}_2 = \{1\}$, $\mathcal{X}_3 = \{1, 2\}$, and $\mathcal{X}_4 = \{3\}$.
- $v_1 + e_{f(1)} = [1 \ x \ x]$, $v_2 + e_{f(2)} = [x \ 1 \ 0]$, $v_3 + e_{f(3)} = [x \ x \ 1]$ and $v_4 + e_{f(4)} = [0 \ 1 \ x]$, where x can be either 0 or 1.
- The **min-rank**, $\kappa_2(\mathcal{H})$ is the minimum rank of the $n \times m$ matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & x & x & 0 \\ x & 1 & x & 1 \\ x & 0 & 1 & x \end{bmatrix}.$$

- For this example, the **minimum rank is 2**, corresponding

realization is $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

- Index coded **transmissions**: $x_1 + x_3$ and x_2 .

Generalized Independence Number $\alpha(\mathcal{H})$

- Consider the case where there are n messages and m receivers and receiver R_i demanding the message $x_{f(i)}$ and having side information $\{x_j\}_{j \in \mathcal{X}_i}$. For each receiver R_i , the set $\mathcal{J}(\mathcal{H})$ is defined as,

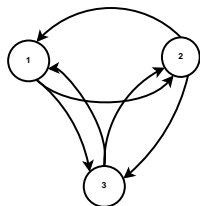
$$\mathcal{J}(\mathcal{H}) \triangleq \cup_{i \in [m]} \{ \{f(i)\} \cup Y_i : Y_i \subseteq [n] \setminus \mathcal{X}_i \}.$$

- A subset H of $[n]$ is called a generalized independent set in \mathcal{H} , if every non-empty subset of H belongs to $\mathcal{J}(\mathcal{H})$.
- The size of the largest generalized independent set in \mathcal{H} is called the generalized independence number and is denoted by $\alpha(\mathcal{H})$.

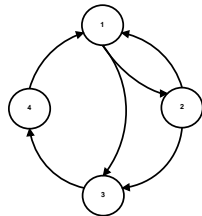
Generalized Independence Number $\alpha(\mathcal{H})$

A set of vertices \mathbf{H} of size K forms a generalized independent set if,

- **Every** vertex in \mathbf{H} has at least one hyperedge originating from it.
- For **every** k -subset of \mathbf{H} and **for all** $k \in \{2, 3, \dots, K\}$, there should be at least one hyperedge originating from one vertex and not ending at any of the remaining $k - 1$ vertices.

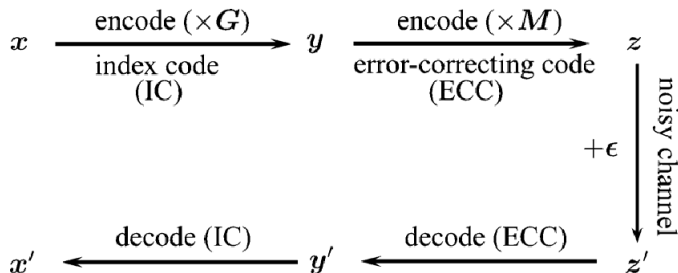


(a) $\alpha(\mathcal{H}) = 2$ and maximum independent set is $\mathbf{H} = \{1, 2\}$



(b) $\alpha(\mathcal{H}) = 3$ and maximum independent set is $\mathbf{H} = \{1, 2, 3\}$

Insufficiency of concatenation



Mere application of an ECC on top of an IC may not be optimal.



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Bounds for ECIC

- $\alpha(\mathcal{H}) \leq \kappa_q(\mathcal{H})$
- The optimal length $\mathcal{N}_q[\mathcal{H}, \delta]$ of linear ECIC is bounded by

$$\underbrace{N_q[\alpha(\mathcal{H}), 2\delta + 1]}_{\alpha\text{-bound}} \leq \mathcal{N}_q[\mathcal{H}, \delta] \leq \underbrace{N_q[\kappa_q(\mathcal{H}), 2\delta + 1]}_{\kappa\text{-bound}}.$$

- The upper bound is met by concatenating an optimal index code with an optimal error correcting code.
- When the bounds are met with equality, concatenation of an optimal error correcting code with an optimal index code gives an optimal error correcting index code.



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Insufficiency of concatenation (Example)

- Let $n = m = 5$ with $\mathcal{W}_i = i$, $i = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$ and
- $\mathcal{K}_1 = \{2, 5\}$, $\mathcal{K}_2 = \{1, 3\}$, $\mathcal{K}_3 = \{2, 4\}$, $\mathcal{K}_4 = \{3, 5\}$, $\mathcal{K}_5 = \{1, 4\}$.
- $\alpha(\mathcal{H}) = 2$ and $\kappa_2(\mathcal{H}) = 3$
 - α -bound = 8; κ -bound = 10 for $\delta = 2$.
- An optimal 2-ECIC of length 9 is

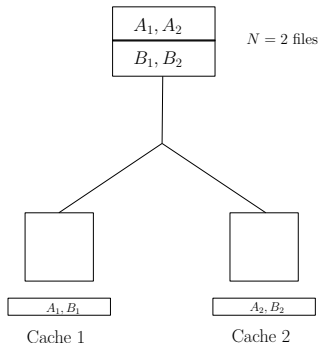
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Coded Caching problem and Index Coding

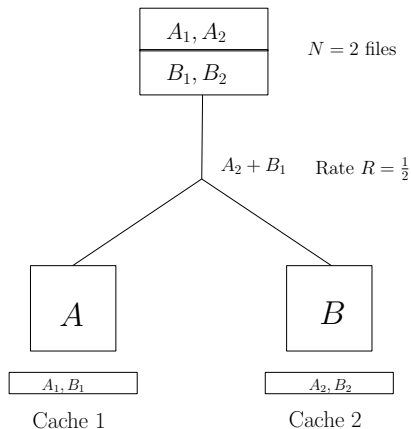
- For a given demand, delivery phase of caching problem is an index coding problem.



- Corresponds to an index coding problem with $n = 4$ messages and $K = m = 2$ receivers.

Coded caching problem and index coding

- Receiver 1
 - Demands A_2
 - Side-information A_1 and B_1 .
- Receiver 2
 - Demands B_1
 - Side-information A_2 and B_2 .
- Min-rank = 1



- As demand changes the corresponding index coding problem changes.
- Delivery phase of a (N, K, M) coded caching problem consists of N^K index coding problems.

Symmetric batch prefetching and index coding

- $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{M}_{SB}, \mathbf{d})$
 - \mathcal{M}_{SB} : Symmetric batch prefetching
 - \mathbf{d} : demand vector
- $\alpha(\mathcal{M}_{SB}, \mathbf{d})$: Generalized independence number of $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{M}_{SB}, \mathbf{d})$
- $\kappa(\mathcal{M}_{SB}, \mathbf{d})$: Min-rank of $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{M}_{SB}, \mathbf{d})$
- $\alpha(\mathcal{M}_{SB}, \mathbf{d}) \leq \kappa(\mathcal{M}_{SB}, \mathbf{d})$



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Example : Symmetric batch prefetching for $N = K = 3$, $M = 1$

- Subfile division:

$$X_1 : X_{1,\{1\}}, X_{1,\{2\}}, X_{1,\{3\}}$$

$$X_2 : X_{2,\{1\}}, X_{2,\{2\}}, X_{2,\{3\}}$$

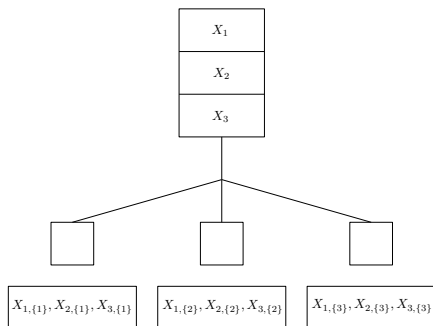
$$X_3 : X_{3,\{1\}}, X_{3,\{2\}}, X_{3,\{3\}}$$

- The cache contents:

$$\mathcal{M}_1 : X_{1,\{1\}}, X_{2,\{1\}}, X_{3,\{1\}}$$

$$\mathcal{M}_2 : X_{1,\{2\}}, X_{2,\{2\}}, X_{3,\{2\}}$$

$$\mathcal{M}_3 : X_{1,\{3\}}, X_{2,\{3\}}, X_{3,\{3\}}$$



- For $\mathbf{d} = (1, 2, 3)$, the corresponding index coding problem has $n = 6$ messages and $m = 3$ receivers.

Example: Distinct Demands

- The demand vector is $\mathbf{d} = (1, 2, 3)$.

- Generalized independent set B for this case:

$$B = \{X_{1,\{2\}}, X_{1,\{3\}}, X_{2,\{3\}}\}.$$

- $\alpha(\mathcal{M}_{SB}, \mathbf{d}) \geq 3$.

- Delivery phase transmissions

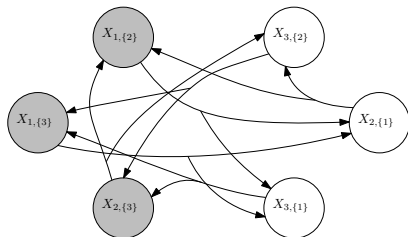
$$X_{1,\{2\}} \oplus X_{2,\{1\}} \quad X_{2,\{3\}} \oplus X_{3,\{2\}} \quad X_{1,\{3\}} \oplus X_{3,\{1\}}$$

- $\kappa(\mathcal{M}_{SB}, \mathbf{d}) \leq 3$

- $\alpha(\mathcal{M}_{SB}, \mathbf{d}) = \kappa(\mathcal{M}_{SB}, \mathbf{d}) = 3$.

- $n = 6$ and the message set is

$$\mathbf{x} = \{X_{1,\{2\}}, X_{1,\{3\}}, X_{2,\{1\}}, X_{2,\{3\}}, X_{3,\{1\}}, X_{3,\{2\}}\}$$



Example: Non-distinct demand case

- The demand vector is $\mathbf{d} = (1, 2, 2)$.

- Generalized independent set B for this case:

$$B = \{X_{1,\{2\}}, X_{1,\{3\}}, X_{2,\{3\}}\}.$$

- $\alpha(\mathcal{M}_{SB}, \mathbf{d}) \geq 3$.

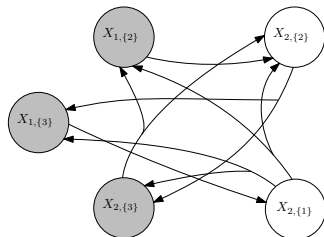
- Delivery phase transmissions

$$X_{1,\{2\}} \oplus X_{2,\{1\}} \quad X_{2,\{3\}} \oplus X_{2,\{2\}} \quad X_{1,\{3\}} \oplus X_{2,\{1\}}$$

- $\kappa(\mathcal{M}_{SB}, \mathbf{d}) \leq 3$
- $\alpha(\mathcal{M}_{SB}, \mathbf{d}) = \kappa(\mathcal{M}_{SB}, \mathbf{d}) = 3$.

- $n = 5$ and the message set is

$$\mathbf{x} = \{X_{1,\{2\}}, X_{1,\{3\}}, X_{2,\{1\}}, X_{2,\{2\}}, X_{2,\{3\}}\}$$



Example: Non-distinct demand case

- All users demand the **same** file X_1 .
 - $\mathbf{d} = (1, 1, 1)$
- **Generalized independent set** B for this case:

$$B = \{X_{1,\{2\}}, X_{1,\{3\}}\}.$$

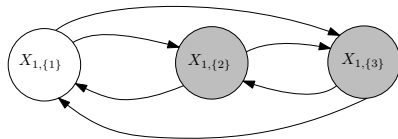
- $\alpha(\mathcal{M}_{SB}, \mathbf{d}) \geq 2$.
- Delivery phase transmissions

$$X_{1,\{1\}} \oplus X_{1,\{2\}}$$

$$X_{1,\{1\}} \oplus X_{1,\{3\}}$$

- $\kappa(\mathcal{M}_{SB}, \mathbf{d}) \leq 2$
- $\alpha(\mathcal{M}_{SB}, \mathbf{d}) = \kappa(\mathcal{M}_{SB}, \mathbf{d}) = 2$.

- $n = 3$ and the message set is $x = \{X_{1,\{1\}}, X_{1,\{2\}}, X_{1,\{3\}}\}$



List of α and κ values for all the possible demands

Demand	α	κ	Demand	α	κ	Demand	α	κ
(X_1, X_2, X_3)	3	3	(X_1, X_3, X_3)	3	3	(X_2, X_2, X_3)	3	3
(X_1, X_3, X_2)	3	3	(X_3, X_1, X_3)	3	3	(X_2, X_3, X_2)	3	3
(X_2, X_1, X_3)	3	3	(X_3, X_3, X_1)	3	3	(X_3, X_2, X_2)	3	3
(X_2, X_3, X_1)	3	3	(X_1, X_1, X_2)	3	3	(X_2, X_3, X_3)	3	3
(X_3, X_1, X_2)	3	3	(X_1, X_2, X_1)	3	3	(X_3, X_2, X_3)	3	3
(X_3, X_2, X_1)	3	3	(X_2, X_1, X_1)	3	3	(X_3, X_3, X_2)	3	3
(X_1, X_2, X_2)	3	3	(X_1, X_1, X_3)	3	3	(X_1, X_1, X_1)	2	2
(X_2, X_1, X_2)	3	3	(X_1, X_3, X_1)	3	3	(X_2, X_2, X_2)	2	2
(X_2, X_2, X_1)	3	3	(X_3, X_1, X_1)	3	3	(X_3, X_3, X_3)	2	2

- For any demand \mathbf{d} ,

$$\alpha(\mathcal{M}_{SB}, \mathbf{d}) = \kappa(\mathcal{M}_{SB}, \mathbf{d}).$$

Number of messages in the corresponding index coding problem

- N files, K users.
- \mathbf{d} : Demand vector
- $N_e(\mathbf{d})$: Number of distinct files demanded
- WLOG let the demanded files be $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{N_e(\mathbf{d})}$
- f_i : The number of users demanding file i , $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, N_e(\mathbf{d})\}$.
- The corresponding index coding problem has n messages, where

$$n = N_e(\mathbf{d}) \binom{K}{r} - \sum_{i=1}^{N_e(\mathbf{d})} \binom{K - f_i}{r - f_i}$$

Generalization

- Construction of a generalized independent set

$$B(\mathbf{d}) = \bigcup_{i \in [N_e(\mathbf{d})]} \{X_{d_i, \{a_1, \dots, a_r\}} : a_1, \dots, a_r \neq 1, 2, \dots, i\}.$$

- $N_e(\mathbf{d})$: Number of distinct files in \mathbf{d} .
- $\alpha(\mathcal{M}_{SB}, \mathbf{d}) \geq |B(\mathbf{d})|$.
- We have shown that

$$|B(\mathbf{d})| = \binom{K}{r+1} - \binom{K - N_e(\mathbf{d})}{r+1}.$$

- $|B(\mathbf{d})|$ is the **number of transmissions** in YMA delivery scheme.
- $\kappa(\mathcal{M}_{SB}, \mathbf{d}) \leq |B(\mathbf{d})|$
- YMA scheme is optimal for symmetric batch prefetching.



Optimal error correcting delivery scheme for \mathcal{M}_{SB}

- Delivery phase of a (K, N, M) caching scheme corresponds to N^K index coding problems.
- For every index coding problem $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{M}_{SB}, \mathbf{d})$, we have

$$\alpha(\mathcal{M}_{SB}, \mathbf{d}) = \kappa(\mathcal{M}_{SB}, \mathbf{d}).$$

- α -bound and κ -bound satisfy

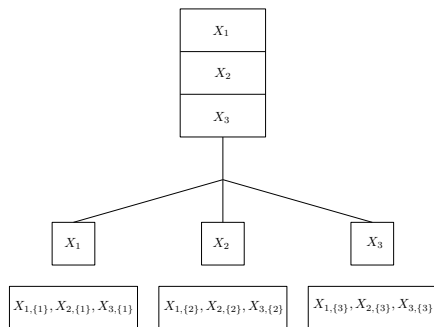
$$N_q[\alpha(\mathcal{H}), 2\delta + 1] = N_q[\mathcal{H}, \delta] = N_q[\kappa_q(\mathcal{H}), 2\delta + 1].$$

- **Optimal error correcting delivery scheme:** Concatenation of YMA delivery scheme with optimal classical error correcting code.



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Example: Error correcting delivery scheme



- $\mathbf{d} = (1, 2, 3)$.
- Corresponding index coding problem has: $n = 6$ and $m = 3$.
- Three YMA scheme transmissions:
 $X_{1,\{2\}} \oplus X_{2,\{1\}}, X_{2,\{3\}} \oplus X_{3,\{2\}}, X_{1,\{3\}} \oplus X_{3,\{1\}}$

- The corresponding index coding matrix:

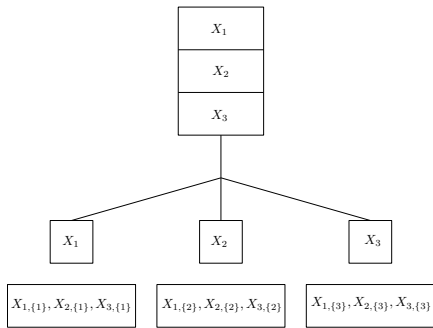
$$G = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- $\kappa(\mathcal{M}_{SB}, \mathbf{d}) = 3$.
- To correct $\delta = 1$ error: concatenate with an optimal error correcting code of dimension 3.

Example: Error correcting delivery scheme

- Generator matrix

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$



- $\mathcal{N}_2[\kappa(\mathcal{M}_{SB}, \mathbf{d}), 3] = 6$

- Error correcting delivery matrix:

$$GM = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- Delivery scheme

- $Y_1 : X_{1,\{2\}} \oplus X_{2,\{1\}}$
- $Y_2 : X_{2,\{3\}} \oplus X_{3,\{2\}}$
- $Y_3 : X_{1,\{3\}} \oplus X_{3,\{1\}}$
- $Y_4 : X_{1,\{2\}} \oplus X_{2,\{1\}} \oplus X_{2,\{3\}} \oplus X_{3,\{2\}}$
- $Y_5 : X_{1,\{2\}} \oplus X_{2,\{1\}} \oplus X_{1,\{3\}} \oplus X_{3,\{1\}}$
- $Y_6 : X_{2,\{3\}} \oplus X_{3,\{2\}} \oplus X_{1,\{3\}} \oplus X_{3,\{1\}}$

Uncoded and Coded Prefetching

- Coded caching with **uncoded prefetching**
 - Parts of files are placed as such without coding.
- Coded caching with **coded prefetching**
 - Parts of files are coded and placed.
 - Performs **better than the uncoded prefetching case**.
- The fundamental scheme by Maddah-Ali and Niesen: **Centralized scheme with uncoded prefetching**.

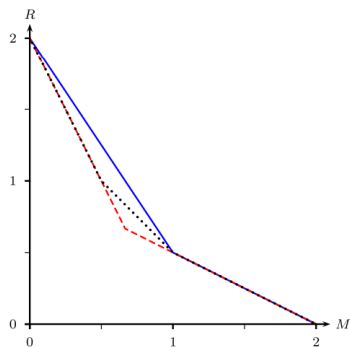


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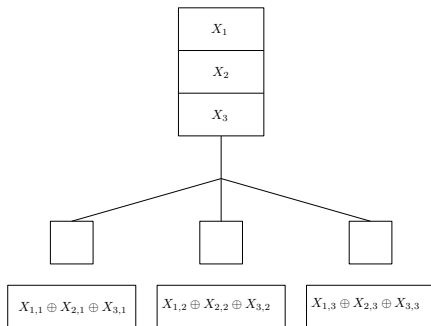
Coded and Uncoded Prefetching: $N = K = 2$



- The solid blue curve indicates Maddah-Ali and Niesen Scheme-uncoded prefetching.
- The dotted black curve indicates the improvement using coded prefetching.
- The dashed red curve indicates the cut-set based lower bound.

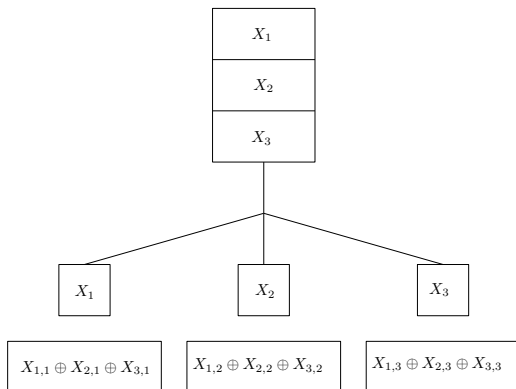
Coded prefetching

- Example $N = K = 3$ and $M = 1/3$.
- Each file is split into three subfiles and XORed messages are cached.



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CFL Scheme



- $\mathbf{d} = (1, 2, 3)$.
- CFL transmissions:
 $X_{2,1}, X_{3,1}, X_{1,2}, X_{3,2}, X_{1,3}, X_{2,3}$.
- Rate, $R_{\text{CFL}} = 6/3 = 2$.
- Rate achieved when YMA scheme is used: $R_{\text{YMA}} = 2.33$.

- Coded prefetching performs better than uncoded prefetching.

CFL scheme : K users, N files and $M = 1/K$

- Prefetching scheme depends on the relation between N and K .
- For $N = K$
 - Each file split into N subfiles: $X_i = (X_{i,1}, X_{i,2}, \dots, X_{i,N})$.
 - Cache of user i : $C_i = X_{1,i} \oplus X_{2,i} \oplus \dots \oplus X_{N,i}$.
- For $K > N$
 - Each file split into NK subfiles: $X_i = (X_{i,1}, X_{i,2}, \dots, X_{i,NK})$.
 - Cache of user i : $C_i = X_{1,N(i-1)+j} \oplus \dots \oplus X_{N,N(i-1)+j}$, for $j = 1, 2, \dots, N$.
- Rate achieved in CFL scheme

$$R = \begin{cases} N_e(\mathbf{d}) & \text{if } N_e(\mathbf{d}) \leq N - 1 \\ N - \frac{N}{K} & \text{if } N_e(\mathbf{d}) = N \end{cases}.$$



CFL Scheme and Generalized Index Coding Problem

- For CFL prefetching scheme, coded packets are placed in cache of each user.
- For fixed demand, the delivery phase is a **generalized index coding problem** $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{M}_{\text{CFL}}, \mathbf{d})$.
- Sender S having N **independent messages** $X = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N\}$.
- i^{th} Receiver demands **some linear combination** $D_i X$
- i^{th} Receiver knows s_i independent **linear combinations** $V^{(i)} X$, where $V^{(i)} \in \mathbb{F}_q^{s_i \times N}$.
- The row space of $V^{(i)}$ is $\mathcal{X}^{(i)}$
- D , $m \times N$ matrix with i th row as D_i , represents demand of all m users.



K.W. Shum, D. Mingjun, and C.W. Sung, "Broadcasting with coded side information," in *IEEE 23rd International Symposium on Personal, Indoor and Mobile Radio Communications (PIMRC)*, Sep. 2012.

Min-rank and GIN of Generalized Index Coding Problem

- The **min-rank** of the instance \mathcal{I} of the GICP over \mathbb{F}_q is defined as

$$\kappa(\mathcal{I}) = \min\{\text{rank}(A + D) : A \in \mathbb{F}_q^{m \times N}, A_i \in \mathcal{X}^{(i)}, i \in [m]\}.$$

- $\mathcal{Z}^{(i)}$ is defined as

$$\mathcal{Z}^{(i)} \triangleq \{Z \in \mathbb{F}_q^{N \times 1} : V^{(i)}Z = 0, D_i Z \neq 0\}.$$

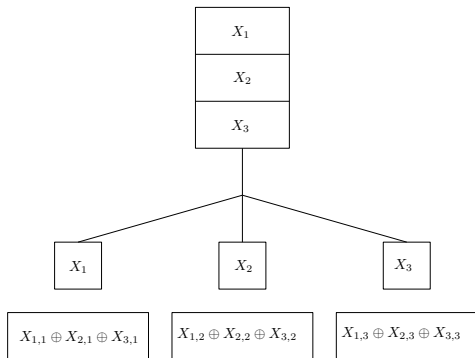
- $\mathcal{Z} = \cup_{i \in [m]} \mathcal{Z}^{(i)} \cup \{0\}$.
- Generalized independence number $\alpha(\mathcal{I})$ is the maximum dimension of any subspace of \mathbb{F}_q^N in \mathcal{Z} .



Eimear Byrne and Marco Calderini, "Error correction for index coding with coded side information," *IEEE Trans. Inf. Theory*, vol. 63, no. 6, pp. 3712-3728, Jun. 2017.

Example: $\alpha(\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{M}_{\text{CFL}}, \mathbf{d}))$

- $N = K = 3$ and $M = 1/3$.



- $\mathbf{d} = (1, 2, 3)$.
- Set of equations
 - $e_1 : X_{1,1} \oplus X_{2,1} \oplus X_{3,1} = 0$
 - $e_2 : X_{1,2} \oplus X_{2,2} \oplus X_{3,2} = 0$
 - $e_3 : X_{1,3} \oplus X_{2,3} \oplus X_{3,3} = 0$
- \mathcal{S} : set of all vectors which satisfy these equations.
- \mathcal{S} is a subspace of \mathbb{F}_q^9

Example Contd...

- $\dim(\mathcal{S}) \geq 6$
- $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{M}_{\text{CFL}}, \mathbf{d})$ has 9 messages and 9 receivers.
- $\mathcal{Z}^{(d_i,j)} \triangleq \{Z \in \mathbb{F}_q^9 : \mathbf{e}_i, X_{d_i,j} \neq 0\}$.
 - All vectors in \mathcal{S} , with $X_{d_i,j} \neq 0$ belongs to $\mathcal{Z}^{(d_i,j)}$.
- All vectors in \mathcal{S} lie in $\mathcal{Z} = \cup_{i,j \in [3]} \mathcal{Z}^{(d_i,j)} \cup \{\mathbf{0}\}$.
- $\alpha(\mathcal{M}_{\text{CFL}}, \mathbf{d}) \geq \dim(\mathcal{S}) \geq 6$.
- From CFL delivery scheme : $\kappa(\mathcal{M}_{\text{CFL}}, \mathbf{d}) \leq 6$.
- $\kappa(\mathcal{M}_{\text{CFL}}, \mathbf{d}) = \alpha(\mathcal{M}_{\text{CFL}}, \mathbf{d}) = 6$.

Example: Non-distinct demands

- Let $\mathbf{d} = (1, 1, 1)$, $N_e(\mathbf{d}) = 1$
- In addition to e_1, e_2 and e_3 consider

$$e_4 : X_{2,1} = 0$$

$$e_5 : X_{2,2} = 0$$

$$e_6 : X_{2,3} = 0$$

- Let \mathcal{S} be the solution subspace.
- $\dim(\mathcal{S}) \geq 9 - 6 = 3$.
- All vectors in \mathcal{S} are present in \mathcal{Z} .
- CFL delivery scheme: $\kappa(\mathcal{M}_{\text{CFL}}, \mathbf{d}) \leq 3$
- $\alpha(\mathcal{M}_{\text{CFL}}, \mathbf{d}) = \kappa(\mathcal{M}_{\text{CFL}}, \mathbf{d}) = 3$.

Generalization for $N = K$ and $N < K$

Theorem

For $N = K$ and $M = 1/N$,

$$\alpha(\mathcal{M}_{CFL}, \mathbf{d}) = \kappa(\mathcal{M}_{CFL}, \mathbf{d}) = \begin{cases} N(N_e(\mathbf{d})) & \text{if } N_e(\mathbf{d}) \leq N - 1 \\ N(N - 1) & \text{if } N_e(\mathbf{d}) = N \end{cases},$$

where $N_e(\mathbf{d})$ is the number of distinct demands.

Theorem

For $N < K$ and $M = 1/K$,

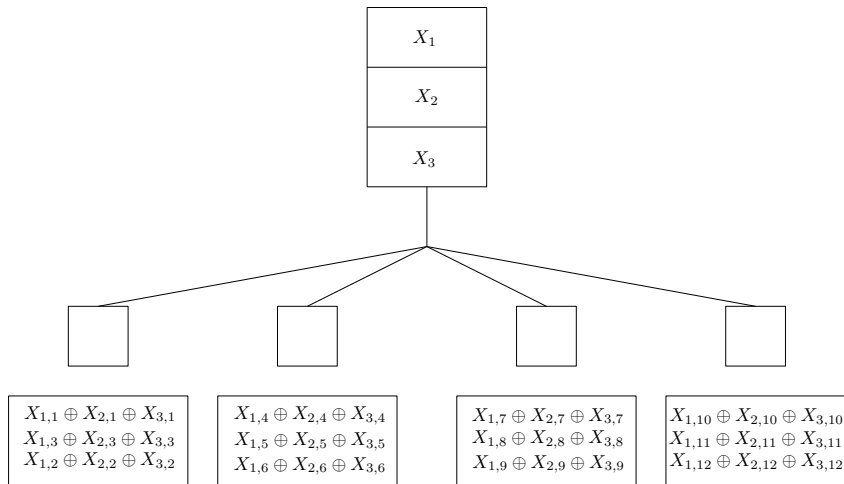
$$\alpha(\mathcal{M}_{CFL}, \mathbf{d}) = \kappa(\mathcal{M}_{CFL}, \mathbf{d}) = \begin{cases} NK(N_e(\mathbf{d})) & \text{if } N_e(\mathbf{d}) \leq N - 1 \\ N^2(K - 1) & \text{if } N_e(\mathbf{d}) = N, \end{cases}$$

where $N_e(\mathbf{d})$ is the number of distinct demands.



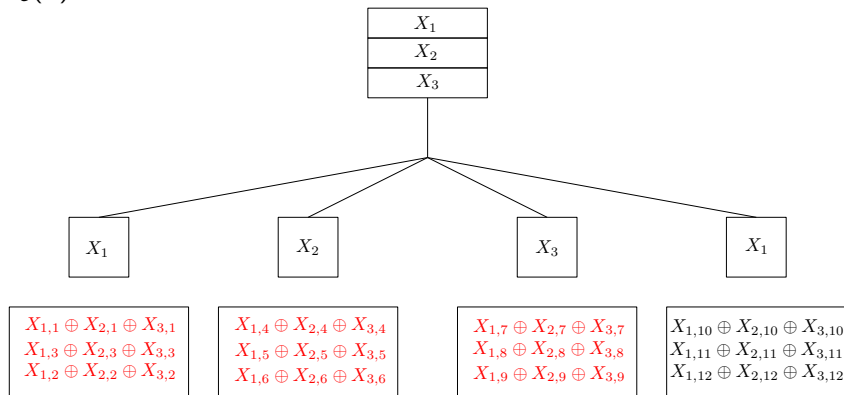
Example: $K > N$, $M = 1/K$ ($N=3$, $K=4$, $M=1/4$).

- Each file is split into $NK = 12$ subfiles.



Example

- Let $\mathbf{d} = (1, 2, 3, 1)$.
- $N_e(\mathbf{d}) = N = 3$



$$e_{i,j} : (X_{1,3(i-1)+j} \oplus X_{2,3(i-1)+j} \oplus X_{3,3(i-1)+j}) = 0 \text{ for } i = 1, 2, 3 \text{ and } j = 1, 2, 3.$$

Example

- Consider the nine equations

$$e_{i,j} : (X_{1,3(i-1)+j} \oplus X_{2,3(i-1)+j} \oplus X_{3,3(i-1)+j}) = 0$$

for $i = 1, 2, 3$ and $j = 1, 2, 3$.

- \mathcal{S} be the set of vectors satisfying these equations.
- $\dim(\mathcal{S}) \geq 36 - 9 = 27$.
- $\mathcal{Z}^{(i,j)} \triangleq \{Z \in \mathbb{F}_q^{36} : e_{i,1}, e_{i,2}, e_{i,3}, X_{d_i,j} \neq 0\}$ for $i \in [4]$
- $\mathcal{Z} = \cup_{i \in [4], j \in [12]} \mathcal{Z}^{(i,j)} \cup \{\mathbf{0}\}$
- Every vector in \mathcal{S} belongs to \mathcal{Z} .
- Hence $\alpha(\mathcal{M}_{\text{CFL}}, \mathbf{d}) \geq \dim(\mathcal{S}) \geq 27$.
- CFL delivery scheme: $\kappa(\mathcal{M}_{\text{CFL}}, \mathbf{d}) \leq 27$.
- $\alpha(\mathcal{M}_{\text{CFL}}) = \kappa(\mathcal{M}_{\text{CFL}}) = 27$.

Example: Optimal error correcting delivery scheme

- $N = K = 3$, $M = 1/3$.
- Let $N_e(\mathbf{d}) = 3$ and $\mathbf{d} = (1, 2, 3)$.
- $\alpha(\mathcal{M}_{\text{CFL}}, \mathbf{d}) = \kappa(\mathcal{M}_{\text{CFL}}, \mathbf{d}) = 6$.
- CFL transmissions: $Y_1 : X_{2,1}$, $Y_2 : X_{3,1}$, $Y_3 : X_{1,2}$, $Y_4 : X_{3,2}$, $Y_5 : X_{1,3}$ and $Y_6 : X_{2,3}$. The corresponding index coding matrix G is given by

$$G = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Example

- $\delta = 1$.
- Generator matrix corresponding to $[10, 6, 3]_2$ code is

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- Concatenation gives rise to **10 transmissions**.

- $Y_1 : X_{2,1}$

- $Y_2 : X_{3,1}$

- $Y_3 : X_{1,2}$

- $Y_4 : X_{3,2}$

- $Y_5 : X_{1,3}$

- $Y_6 : X_{2,3}$

- $Y_7 : X_{2,1} \oplus X_{3,1} \oplus X_{1,2}$

- $Y_8 : X_{2,1} \oplus X_{3,2} \oplus X_{1,3}$

- $Y_9 : X_{3,1} \oplus X_{3,2} \oplus X_{2,3}$

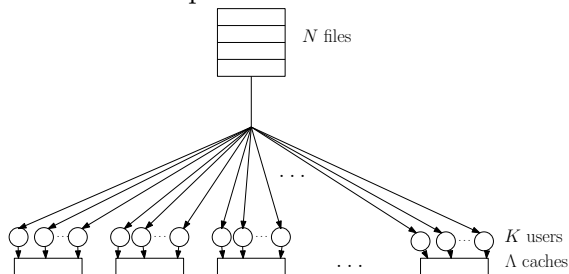
- $Y_{10} : X_{1,2} \oplus X_{1,3} \oplus X_{2,3}$

- **Error correcting delivery matrix:**

$$GM = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Shared Cache Scheme (SCS)

- N files, K users and Λ helper nodes.



- Each user has **access to a helper cache**.
- Helper cache **accessed by multiple users**.
- Shared Cache Scheme involves three steps:
 - **SCS Placement**: Uncoded placement of files in helper cache nodes.
 - **User-to-cache association**: Each user assigned to exactly one helper node. Each cache is assigned to a set of users \mathcal{U}_λ for $\lambda = 1, 2, \dots, \Lambda$.
 - **SCS Delivery**: Once the demands are revealed, server transmits.



Error Correction for Shared Cache Scheme

- We proved that $\alpha(\mathcal{M}_{\text{SC}}) = \kappa(\mathcal{M}_{\text{SC}}) = \sum_{i=1}^{\Lambda-\Lambda\gamma} \mathcal{L}_i \binom{\Lambda-i}{\Lambda\gamma}$.
- Hence the optimal error correcting delivery is by **concatenation**.



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Centralized and Decentralized Coded Caching

- **Centralized coded caching** [1]
 - **Prefetching** is carried out with a **central coordination**.
 - Number of users (K) is a parameter during placement.
- **Decentralized coded caching** [2]
 - **No central coordination** during placement.
 - Number of users (K) is not considered as a parameter during placement.
 - Rate expression [2]:

$$R_{\text{peak}}^* = K \left(1 - \frac{M}{N}\right) \left\{ \frac{N}{KM} \left(1 - \left(1 - \frac{M}{N}\right)^K\right) \right\}.$$



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Ali-Niesen Decentralized Coded Caching

- In centralized coded caching scheme, there may be **considerable time gap between placement and delivery phase** because of which number of users may vary.
- So, the **number of users** may not be known in the placement phase.
- **No centralized coordination** is assumed during placement.
- **Placement phase** : Each user **independently** caches a subset of $\frac{MF}{N}$ bits of each file, chosen **uniformly at random**.



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Error correcting delivery for Ali-Niesen decentralized scheme

- From the Ali-Niesen decentralized transmissions,

$$\kappa(\mathcal{M}_D, \mathbf{d}) \leq (1 - M/N) \cdot \frac{N}{M} (1 - (1 - M/N)^{N_e(\mathbf{d})}) F$$

Theorem

For the *index coding problem* $\mathcal{I}(\mathcal{M}_D, \mathbf{d})$,

$$\alpha(\mathcal{M}_D, \mathbf{d}) \geq (1 - M/N) \cdot \frac{N}{M} (1 - (1 - M/N)^{N_e(\mathbf{d})}) F.$$

- So, $\alpha(\mathcal{M}_D, \mathbf{d}) = \kappa(\mathcal{M}_D, \mathbf{d})$. Thus concatenation is optimal.



LRS Online Coded Caching (Least Recently Sent)

- There are **multiple time slots**.
- A **set of popular files** for every time slot, denoted by \mathcal{N}_t .
- \mathcal{N}_t evolves from \mathcal{N}_{t-1} with **at most one change**.
- In each time slot, there is **delivery phase** and a **cache update phase**.
- Two phases:
 - **Delivery phase** : Same as Ali-Niesen Decentralized scheme.
 - **Cache update phase**:
 - $N = |\mathcal{N}_t|$, cardinality of the set of popular files.
 - $Q = \beta N$ files are partially cached for some $\beta \geq 1$
 - If **all the demanded files are partially cached**: **No cache update**.
 - If one demanded file is **not partially cached**: Cache is updated by **replacing** the new file with the **least recently sent file**.



LRS Online coded caching (Cache update phase)

- There are two cases of situations that can arise during the cache update phase.
 - *Case I: All the requested files are partially cached.* Same as Ali-Niesen Decentralized scheme. The prefetching scheme here is denoted as \mathcal{M}_{LRS1} . Rate,
$$R(\mathcal{M}_{LRS1}, 0) = (1 - M/Q)(Q/M)(1 - (1 - M/Q)^K).$$
 - *Case II: One of the requested files is not partially cached.* ($K - 1$) users demand files which are partially cached, and one user demands a file which is not cached. $K - 1$ users use Ali-Niesen decentralized scheme and the demanded file of one user is transmitted as such uncoded. Rate,
$$R(\mathcal{M}_{LRS2}, 0) = (1 - M/Q)(Q/M)(1 - (1 - M/Q)^{K-1}) + 1.$$
- For both the cases of LRS scheme, we proved $\alpha(\mathcal{M}_{LRS1}, \mathbf{d}) = R(\mathcal{M}_{LRS1}, 0)F$ and $\alpha(\mathcal{M}_{LRS2}, \mathbf{d}) = R(\mathcal{M}_{LRS2}, 0)F$
- Since for all cases, $\alpha(\mathcal{M}_{LRS}, \mathbf{d}) = \kappa(\mathcal{M}_{LRS}, \mathbf{d})$, the concatenation scheme is optimal.

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