

Coded Caching: Discussing Promises and Challenges

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- MISO Coded Caching
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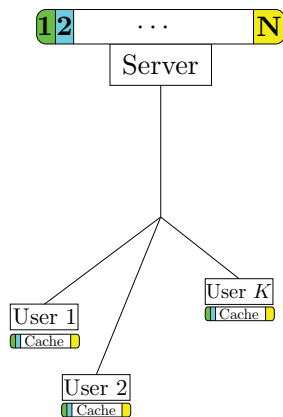
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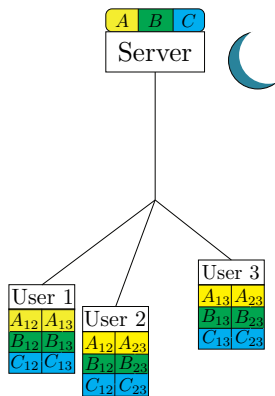


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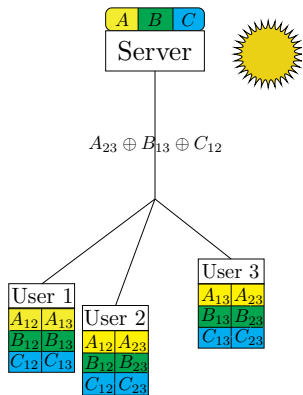
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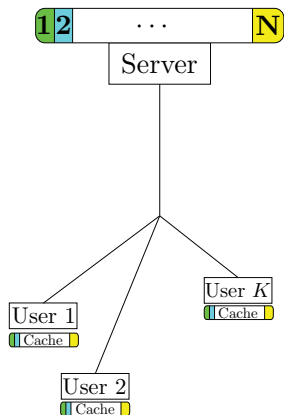
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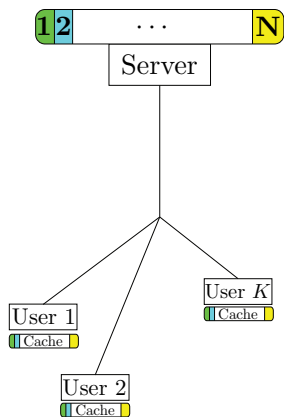
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Optimality

Optimal within a multiplicative factor of 2.008.

[Qian, Maddah-Ali, Avestimehr '17]

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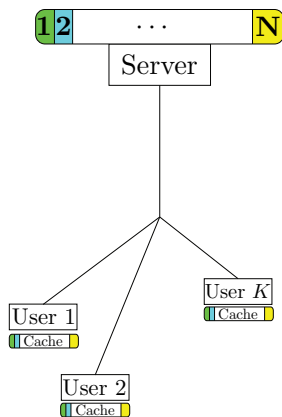


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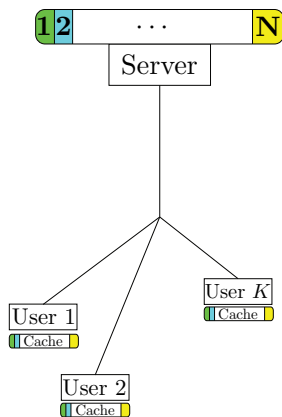
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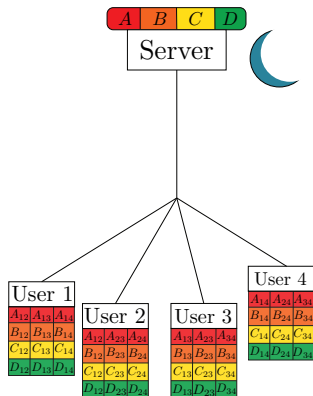
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Even unwanted packets can help reduce interference

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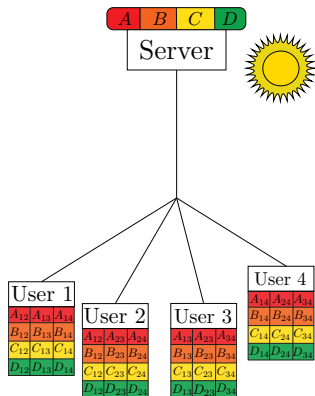


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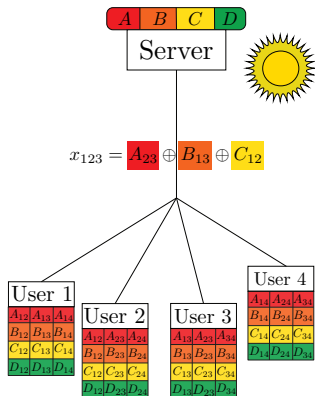


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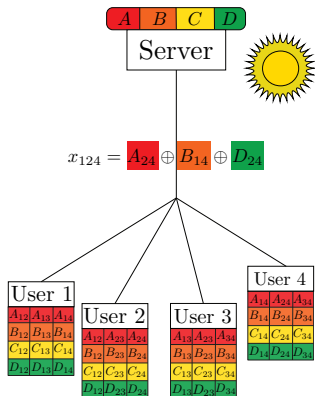
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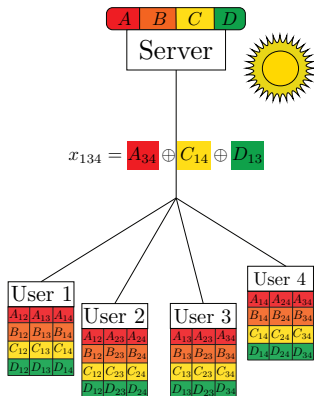
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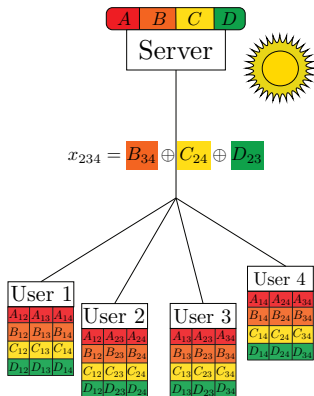
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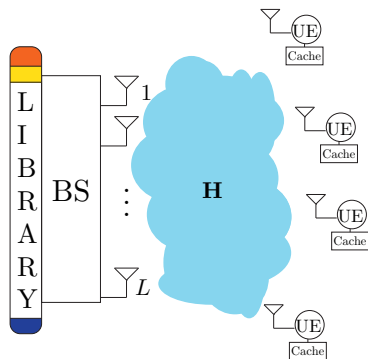


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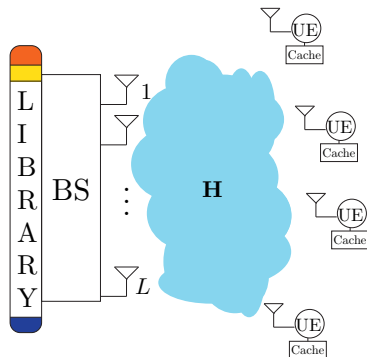
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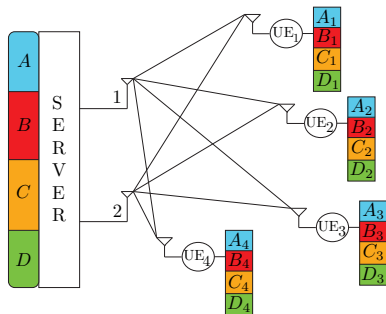
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Vector of Linear Combinations:
Cache-out some packets
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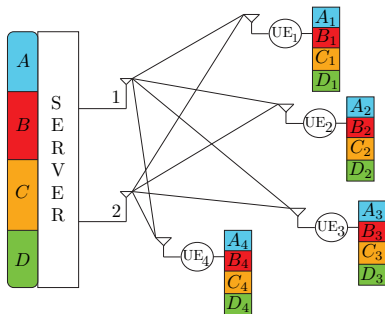
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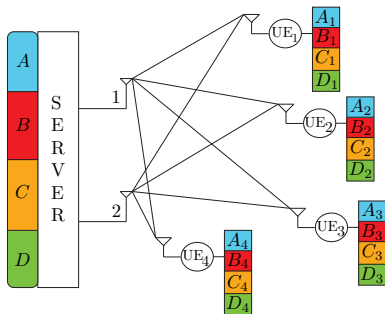


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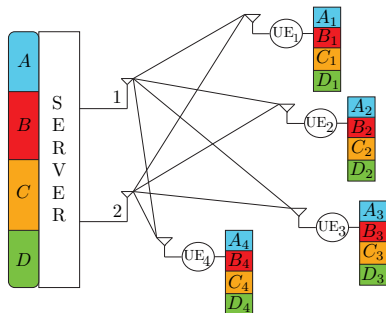
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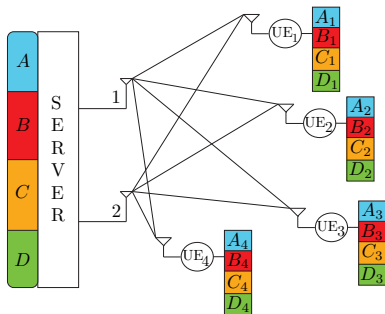
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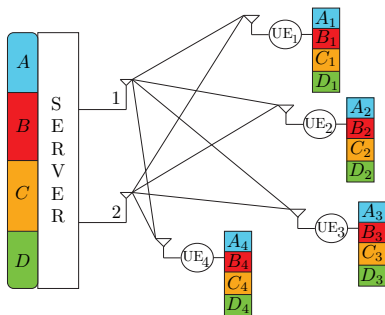
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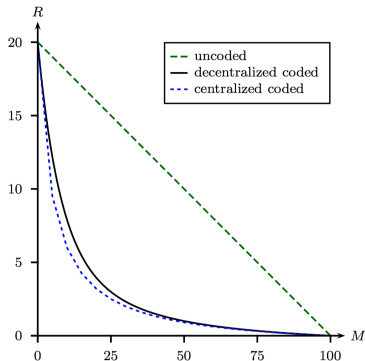
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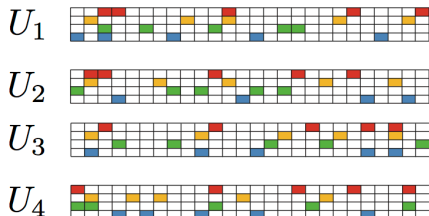
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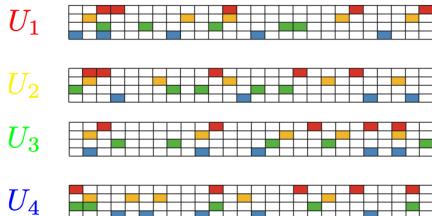
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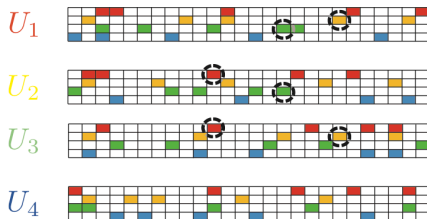
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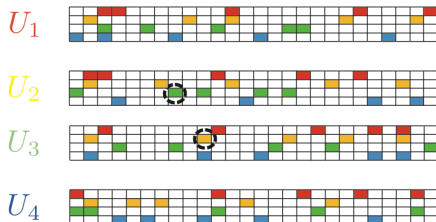
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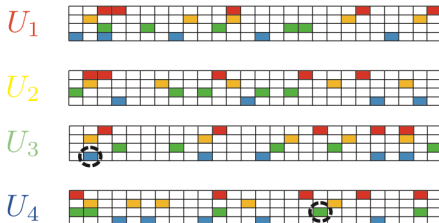
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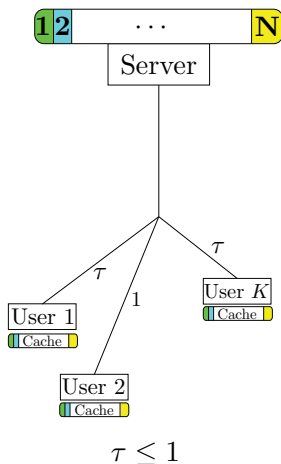


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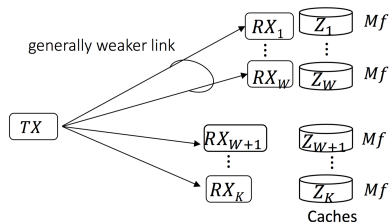
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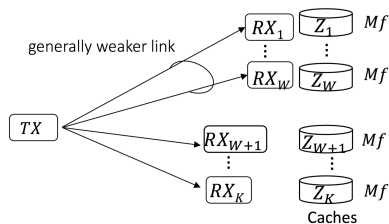
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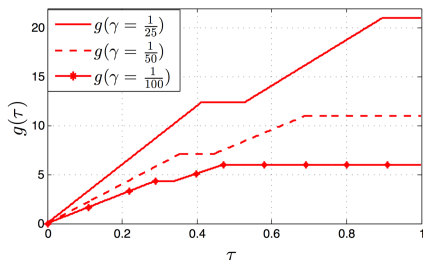
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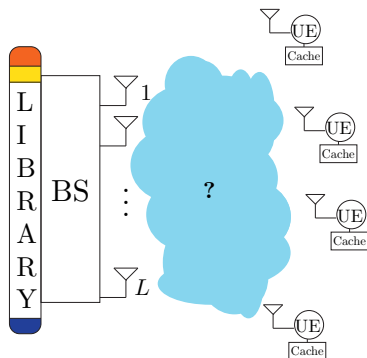
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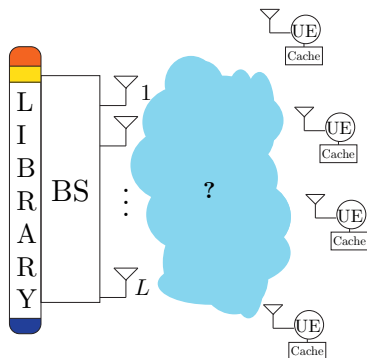
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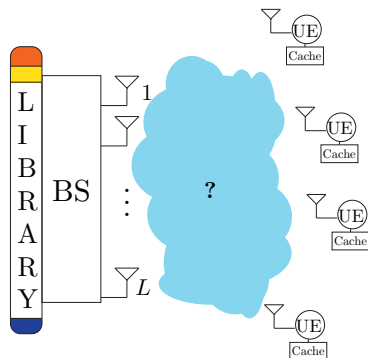
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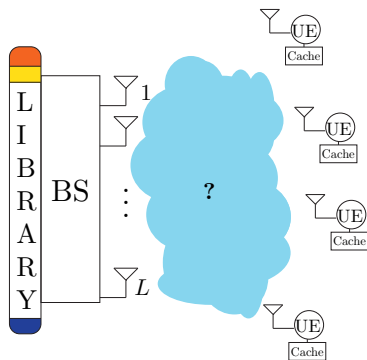


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Take Home Message

Going from DoF

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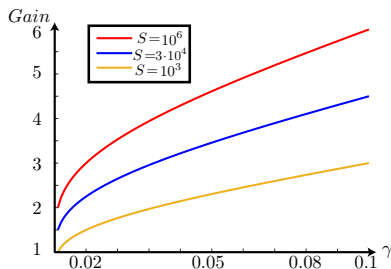
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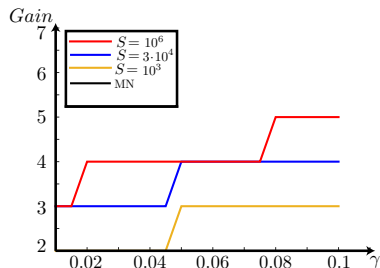
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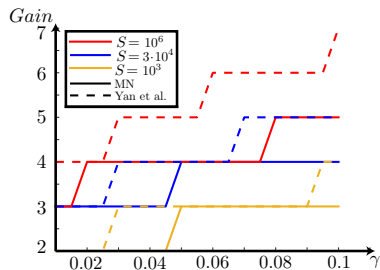
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Reduced Subpacketization

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[Yan, Cheng, Tang, Chen '15 &
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3) Subpacketization: Other Schemes

Linear Subpacketization is Possible

- There exists a caching scheme with linear subpacketization and polynomial delivery time, $|F| = \mathcal{O}(K)$.
- In reality, $K \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow F \rightarrow \infty$

[Shanmugam, Tulino, Dimakis '17]

Centralized CC: A hypergraph approach

- There exist no constant rate caching schemes with $|F| = \mathcal{O}(K)$
- Tradeoff between performance and subpacketization
- Schemes require $K > \frac{4}{\gamma^2}$ for $g \geq 2$

[Shangguan, Yiwei Zhang, Gennian Ge '16]

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Hot Questions

- Achieve individual “speeds” without compromising gains?
- Can feedback in MISO CC be separated from Caching Gains?
- High gains in Centralized/Decentralized?

Thanks!