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# **Distributed Systems**

## **分布式系统**

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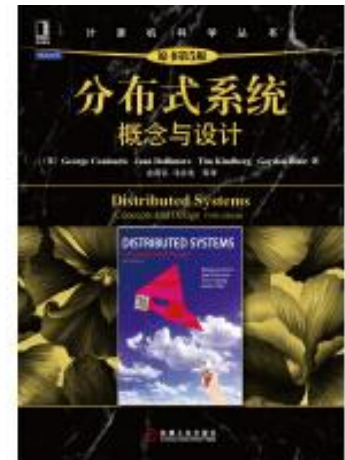
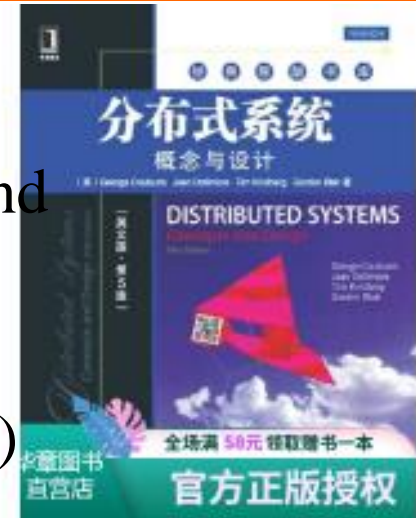


# Textbook

- Distributed Systems: Concepts and Design  
George Coulouris, Jean Dollimore, Tim Kindberg and  
Gordan Blair(5<sup>th</sup> edition)
- Distributed Systems: Principles and Paradigms,  
Andrew Tanenbaum and Maarten Steen (2<sup>nd</sup> edition)
- Lecture notes

## Pre-requirement:

- Principles of networks
- Operating systems
- Java/c programming



# Topics

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- Introduction
- Distributed Systems models
- Distributed Time and Clock Synchronization
- Socket Communication
- Remote Method Invocation(RMI)
- Group Communication
- Mutual exclusion & election algorithms
- Replication

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# Grading

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- Assignments 作业 (10%)
- Course projects 课程设计(20 %)
- Final exam 期末考试(70 %)

# Motivation

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- **Resource sharing**
  - Computers connected by the network and share resources.
  - Hardware sharing, software sharing, data sharing, service sharing.  
media stream sharing.
- **Collaborative computing**
  - Parallel computing, distributed computing

# Definition

What is  
a distributed system?

Distributed application
Software application (Middleware)
Computer.....Computer
Message passing
Network

A distributed system is defined as one in which  
components at networked computers communicate and  
coordinate their actions only by passing messages.

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- Distributed Application
  - Middleware (Distributed core layer)
    - RMI, CORBA, DCOM....
  - Network
    - Mobile phone networks, corporate networks, factory networks, campus networks, home networks, in-car networks, wireless sensor networks, etc.



# Distributed Applications

<i>Finance and commerce</i>	eCommerce e.g. Amazon and eBay, PayPal, online banking and trading
<i>The information society</i>	Web information and search engines, ebooks, Wikipedia; social networking: Facebook and MySpace.
<i>Creative industries and entertainment</i>	online gaming, music and film in the home, user-generated content, e.g. YouTube, Flickr
<i>Healthcare</i>	health informatics, on online patient records, monitoring patients
<i>Education</i>	e-learning, virtual learning environments; distance learning
<i>Transport and logistics</i>	GPS in route finding systems, map services: Google Maps, Google Earth
<i>Science</i>	The Grid as an enabling technology for collaboration between scientists
<i>Environmental management</i>	sensor technology to monitor earthquakes, floods or tsunamis

# Features

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The distributed system features.

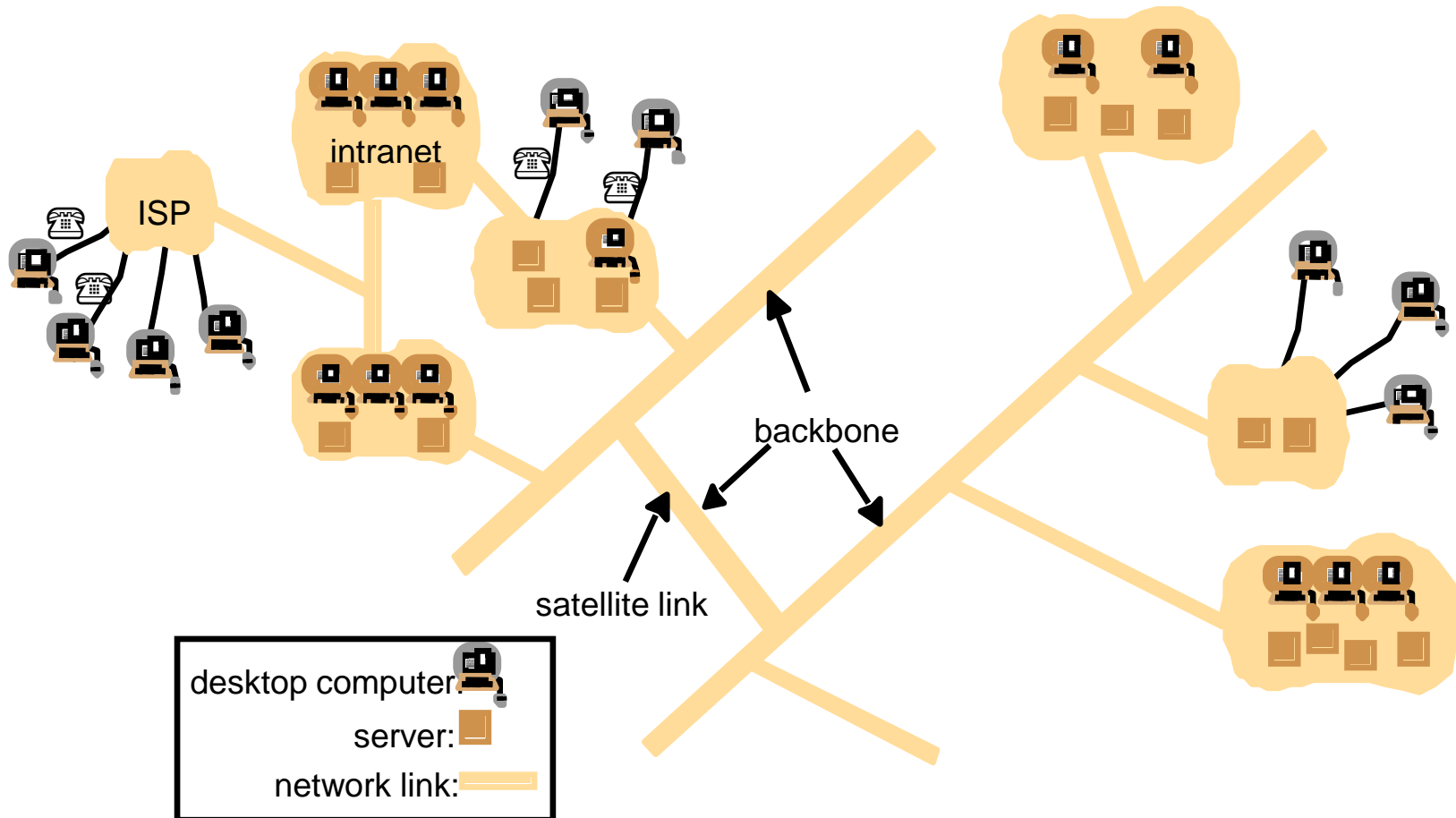
- **Concurrency**
  - Multi-process and multi-threads concurrently execute, share resources.
- **No global clock**
  - Program coordination depend on message passing.
- **Independent failure**
  - Some processes failure, can not be known by other processes.

# Examples of Distributed Systems

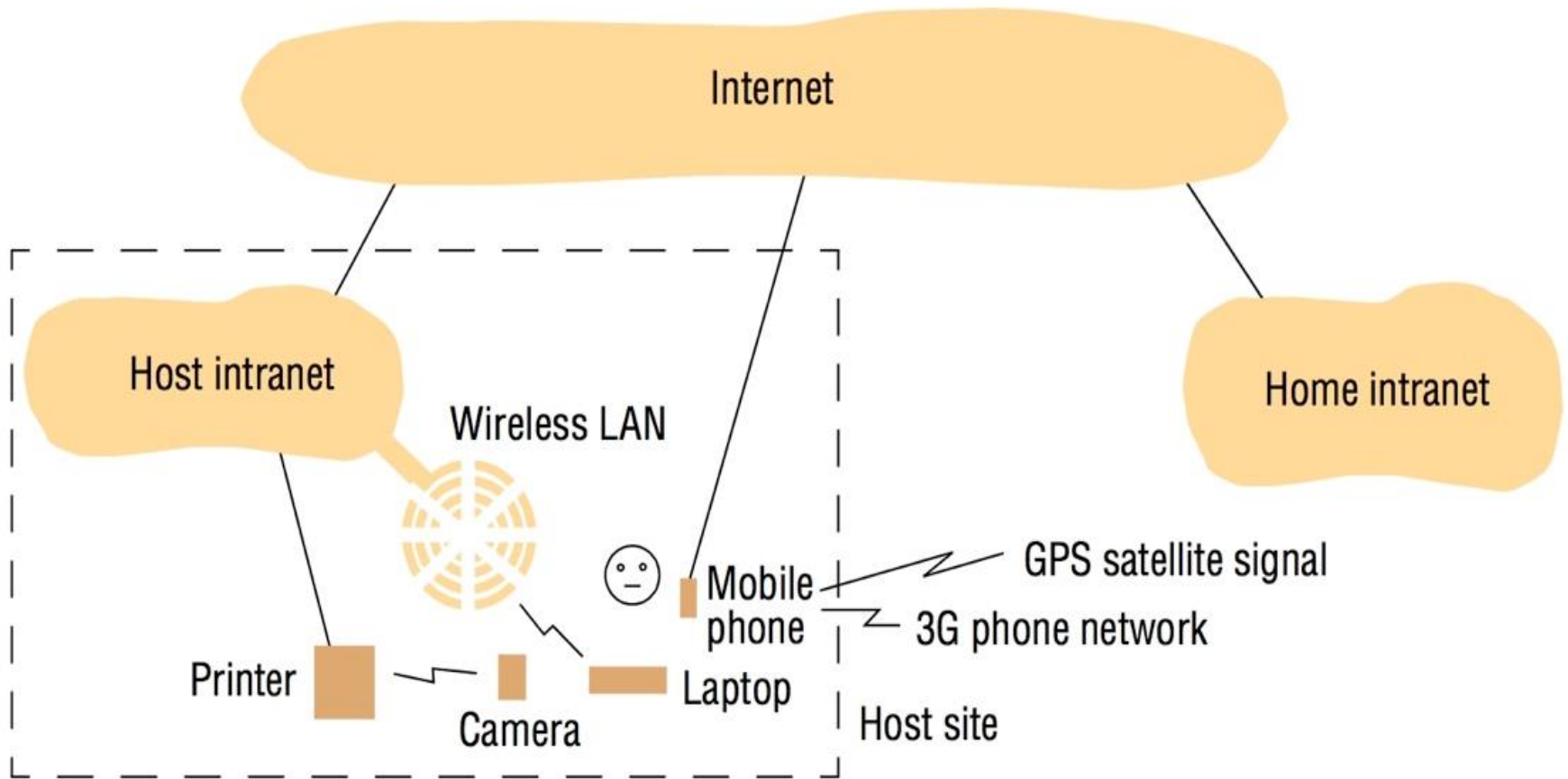
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- The Large-scale Distributed System  
The Internet & Intranet
- Typical Distributed System
  - DNS service
  - Distributed file system
  - Global position system (GPS)
- New trend Distributed System
  - Mobile computing
  - P2P (BT, Emule)
  - Cloud computing

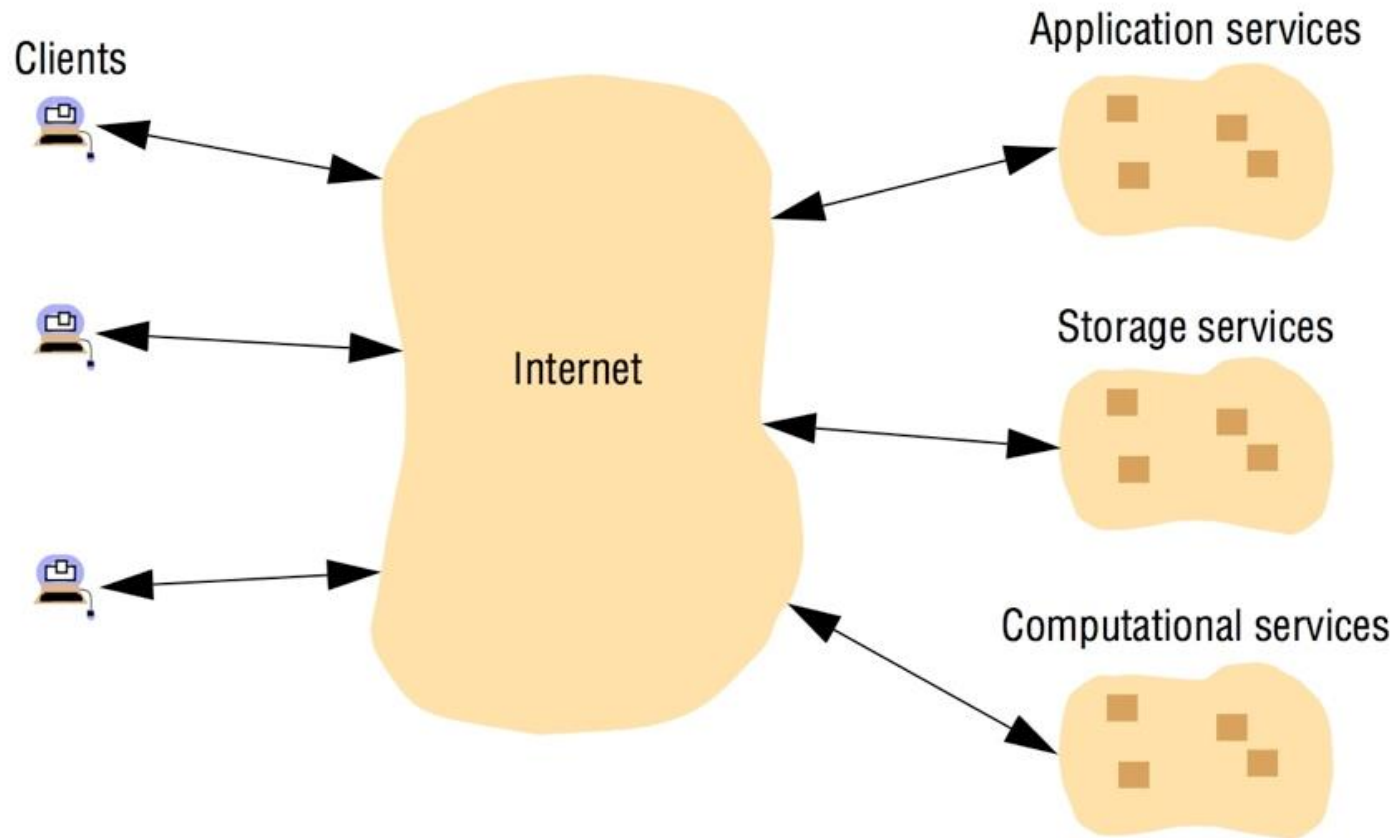
# Examples of Distributed Systems (Internet)



# Examples of Distributed Systems (Mobile Computing)



# Examples of Distributed Systems (Cloud computing)



# Challenges-Heterogeneity

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- Middleware
  - Apply to a software layer that provides a program abstraction as well as masking the heterogeneity of the underlying layers (networks, hardware, operating systems and programming languages).

Example: Java RMI

- Mobile code
  - Program code that can be transferred from one computer to another and run at the destination. Example: Java Applet.
  - The Java virtual machine (JVM) provides a way of making code executable on a variety of host computers.

# Challenges-Openness

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- Computer System Openness
  - Determines whether the system can be extended and reimplemented in various ways. For example: UNIX.
- Distributed System Openness
  - The degree to which new resource-sharing services can be added and be made available for use by a variety of client programs.
  - RFC (‘Request For Comments’)



# Challenges-Security

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- Confidentiality(机密性)
  - Protection against disclosure to unauthorized individuals.
- Integrity (完整性)
  - Protection against alteration or corruption.
  - e.g. Checksum (校验和)
- Availability (可用性)
  - Protection against interference with the means to access the resources.

# Challenges-Scalability

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- Controlling the cost of physical resources
  - As the demand for a resource grows, it should be possible to extend the system, at reasonable cost, to meet it.
- Controlling the performance loss
  - Consider the management of a set of data whose size is proportional to the number of users or resources in the system.
- Preventing software resources running out
  - IPv4, IPv6.....
- Avoiding performance bottlenecks
  - In general, algorithms should be decentralized to avoid having performance bottlenecks.

# Challenges-Scalability

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<i>Date</i>	<i>Computers</i>	<i>Web servers</i>	<i>Percentage</i>
1993, July	1,776,000	130	0.008
1995, July	6,642,000	23,500	0.4
1997, July	19,540,000	1,203,096	6
1999, July	56,218,000	6,598,697	12
2001, July	125,888,197	31,299,592	25
2003, July	~200,000,000	42,298,371	21
2005, July	353,284,187	67,571,581	19

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# Challenges-Failure handling

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- Detecting failures
  - Some failure can be detected.
- Masking failures
  - Some failure that have been detected can be hidden or made less severe.
- Tolerating failures
  - Most of the services in the Internet do exhibit failures.
- Recovering from failures
  - Recovery involves the design of software so that the state of permanent data can be recovered or ‘roll back’ after a server has crashed.
- Redundancy
  - Services can be made to tolerate failures by the use of redundant components.

# Challenges-Concurrency

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- Consistent
  - Multi-thread concurrent access the sharing resource.
- Performance

# Challenges-Transparency

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- *Access transparency*: enables local and remote resources to be accessed using identical operations.
- *Location transparency*: enables resources to be accessed without knowledge of their physical or network location (for example, which building or IP address).
- *Concurrency transparency*: enables several processes to operate concurrently using shared resources without interference between them.
- *Replication transparency*: enables multiple instances of resources to be used to increase reliability and performance without knowledge of the replicas by users or application programmers.

# Challenges-Transparency

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- *Failure transparency*: enables the concealment of faults, allowing users and application programs to complete their tasks despite the failure of hardware or software components.
- *Mobility transparency*: allows the movement of resources and clients within a system without affecting the operation of users or programs.
- *Performance transparency*: allows the system to be reconfigured to improve performance as loads vary.
- *Scaling transparency*: allows the system and applications to expand in scale without change to the system structure or the application algorithms.

# Challenges-Quality of Service

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- Reliability
- Security
- Performance
- Adaptability



# Conclusion

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- Distributed system is everywhere.
- The motivation of constructing a distributed system is resource sharing and collaborative computing
- Distributed system features.
  - Concurrency
  - No global clock
  - Independent failure
- Distributed system challenges.
  - Heterogeneity
  - Openness
  - Security
  - Scalability
  - Failure handling
  - Concurrency
  - Transparency
  - Quality of Service