Hybrid Centralized and P2P Chat

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Overview

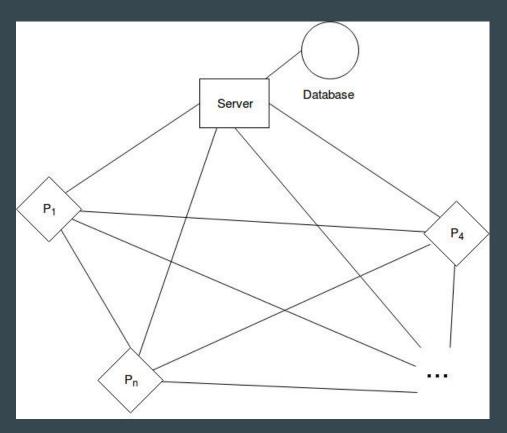
- Centralized network
 - Mandatory centralized point
 - All the data must pass
 - E.g. Client Server model
- Peer to peer (P2P)
 - Decentralized
 - Directly connected
 - o E.g. Gnutella
- Hybrid centralized and P2P
 - Use both a server and direct P2P connection
- Implemented in C

Main components

- Server
 - Sign in
 - **User information**
 - Query database
- Peers
 - Direct connection to all other peers
 - Socket
 - Send/receive messages

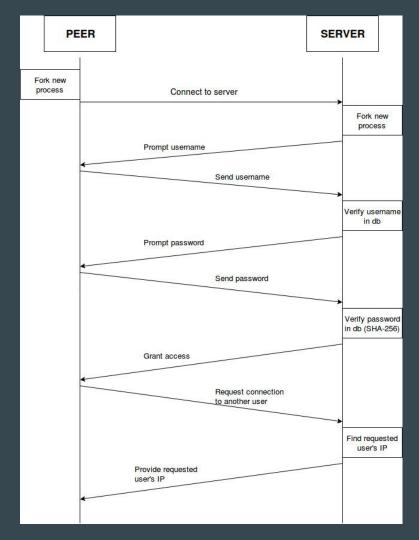


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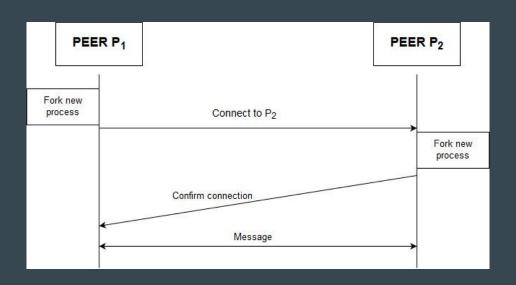


- Peer to server
 - o Sign in
 - Request user's information



Protocol

- Peer to peer
 - Direct connection from 1 peer to others
 - Send/receive messages



Demonstration

Conclusion

- Pros
 - o Fast
 - Fault-tolerant
 - Scalable
- Cons
 - Each peer needs to handle many processes

Thank You