

# KEBAPP

## Keyword-Based Mobile Application Sharing Framework

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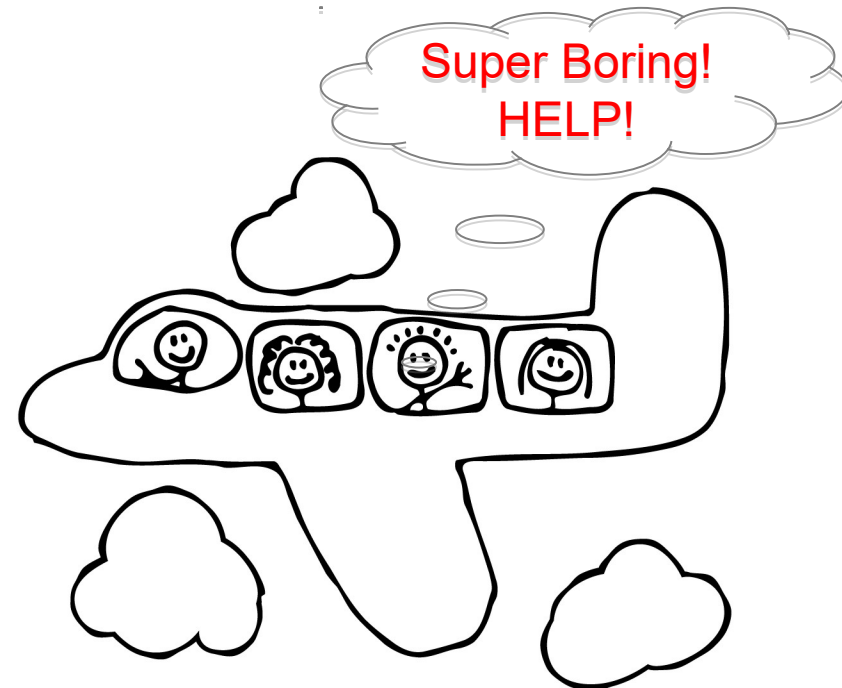
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# What is KEBAPP – Contribution

*An application sharing and information-processing framework for smartphone apps*

Route Finder App

Game or Video-Streaming Server



## What applications does KEBAPP deal with (Design Space)

- By and large, smartphone apps target:
  - **Static content**, e.g., news updates
  - **Personalised content**, e.g., Facebook/Twitter updates
  - **Processed information**, e.g., route finder, gaming

We envision a pool of *application resources* to provide D2D access to *processed and non-personalised information*

## Where/When do we need KEBAPP (Target environments)

- Overcrowded areas
  - Airports, festivals, stadiums, IETF :)
- Fragmented networks
  - Natural disasters (floods, earthquakes)
- Not (or poorly) connected environments
  - Airplanes, trains, ferries, developing regions

**In most of those cases, Internet connectivity is not even necessary!**

# How does KEBAPP work?

Applications act both as clients and as servers

## Three main components

### 1) *Application-centric naming*

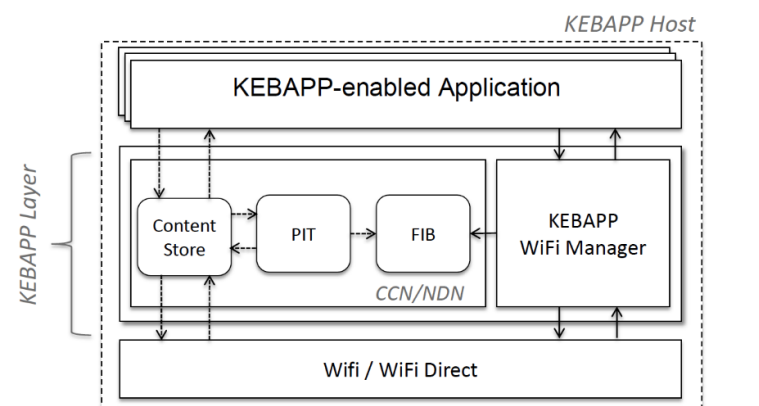
- Applications share common name-spaces and support the use of keywords

### 2) *Application-centric connectivity*

- Applications manage connectivity by defining and/or joining WiFi broadcast domains

### 3) *Information-centric forwarding*

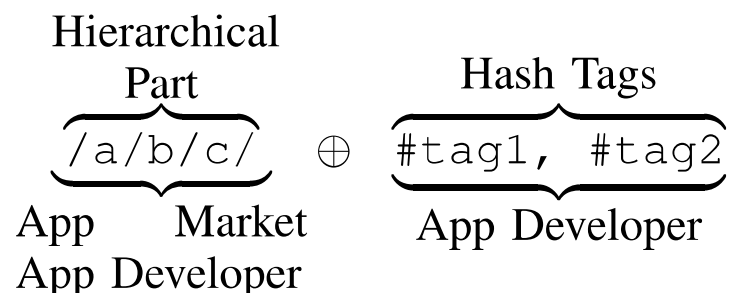
- Extending Named Data Networking primitives



Content Store		PIT			FIB		
Data Chunk	Name	In	Name	Out	Prefix	BSSID	Face
2a3b69e43f9bd48937	/d/eff#3#4	Internal face #1	/a/b/c#1#2	BSSID1	/a/b/c#1#2	BSSID1	Internal face #1
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# Application-Centric Naming (App IDs)

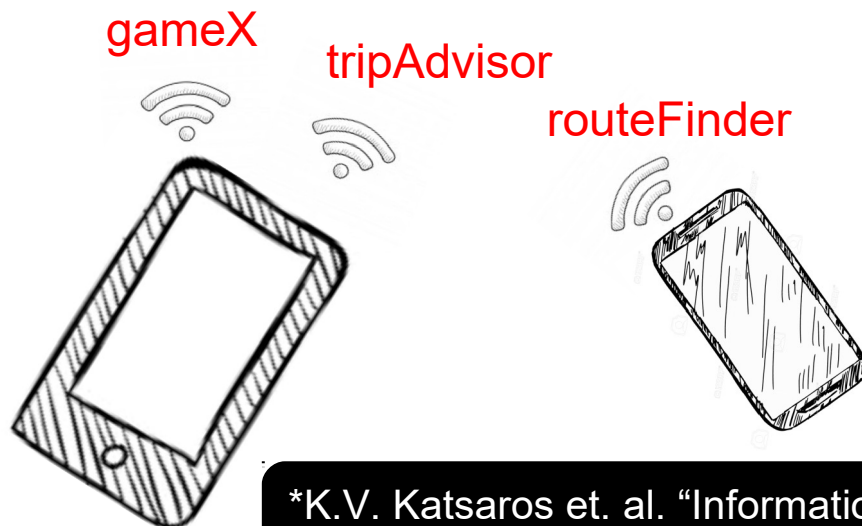
- Needs to support fine-grained description of the desired processed information



- Fixed part:** *NDN hierarchical naming, longest prefix match*
  - Needs to guarantee compatibility between applications
  - Can define static content: `/NewsApp/politics/`
  - Or invoke computation: `/myTravelAdvisor/Top10Restos`
  - App GUI indicates naming, users do not have to be aware of naming
- Hashtags:** *free keywords to assist application processing*
  - `/myTravelAdvisor/Top10Restos #userRating; #London; #indian`
  - `/routeFinder/tube #euston; #waterloo`

# Application-Centric Connectivity

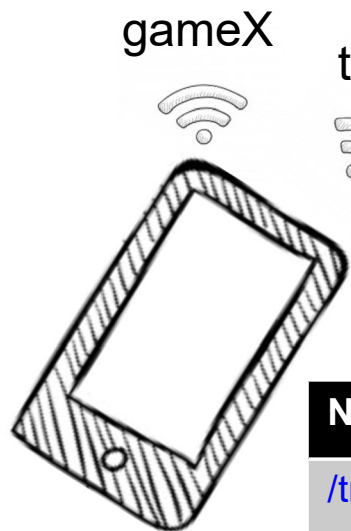
- Application-specific 802.11 broadcast domains, through Basic Service Set(s), BSSs
  - Every KEBAPP advertises its own SSID, through WiFi Direct Groups
  - WiFi Neighbour-Awareness Networking (NAN) can find applications behind BSSs



\*K.V. Katsaros et. al. "Information-Centric Connectivity", IEEE Communications Magazine, to appear.

# Information-Centric Forwarding

- Single-hop broadcasting domains
- Broadcast domains are considered as interfaces of a node
- FIB is populated with neighbouring BSSIDs



gameX

tripAdvisor

Name Prefix	BSSID	if
/travel/routeFinder #x	routeFinder	#1

Name Prefix	BSSID	if
/travel/tripAdvisor #x #y	tripAdvisor	#1
/gaming/gameX #z	gameX	#2

routeFinder

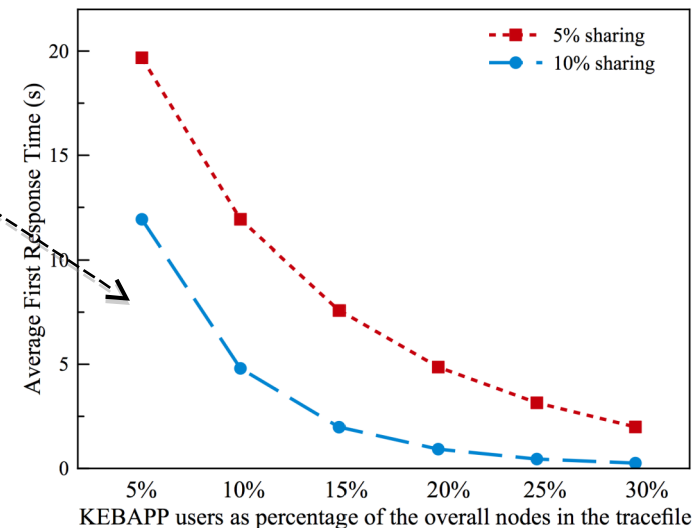
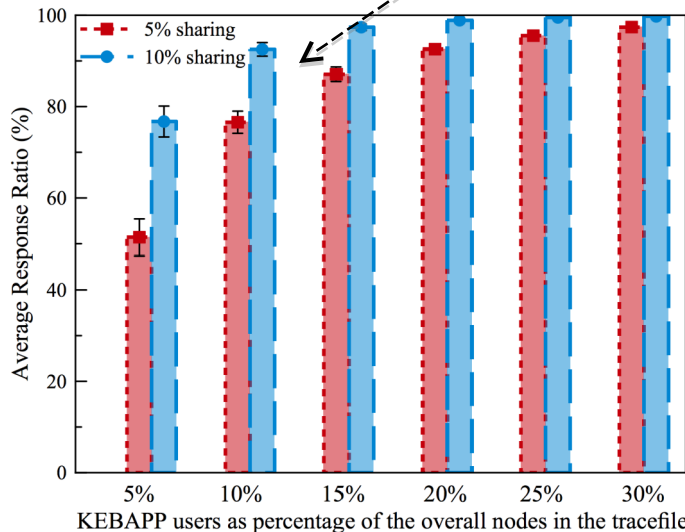
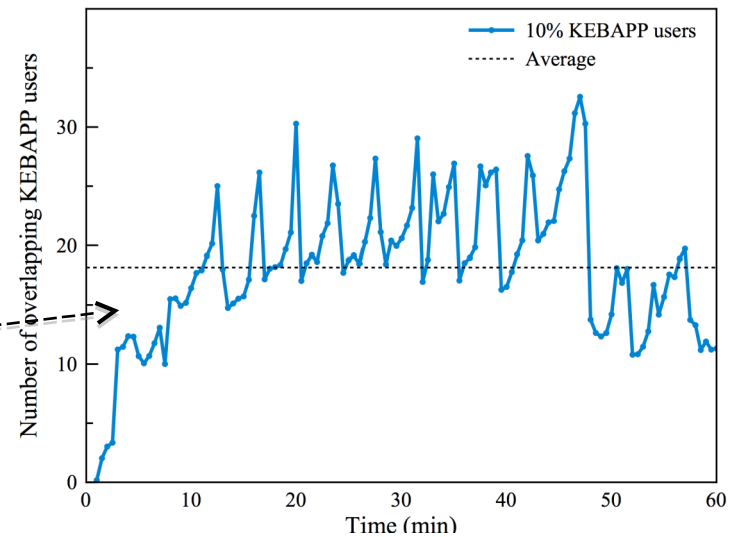
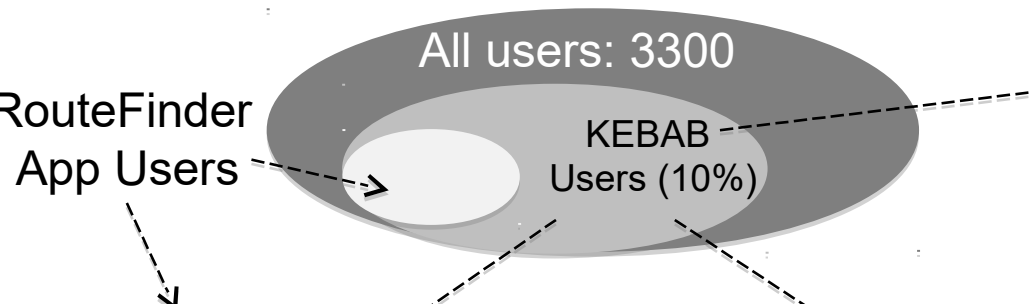




# Feasibility – RouteFinder App

## Setup

Mobility trace from 3300 users in a Stockholm subway station throughout one hour



Great stuff!

We now have to implement that!! :)

Thanks!



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