

Design Doc

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Design Components:

- Routing Server
 - Passes available server hostname and port to clients
 - Monitors for bad connections and crashed servers
 - Reroutes clients when issues occur
 - Uses the custom RoutingService GRPC service
- Master servers
 - Connects to routing server when started
 - Master server facilitates the execution of client commands
 - Passes timeline information between followed users
 - Built on the original SNS GRPC service from homework 2
 - Similar functionality to homework 2
 - Uses bully algorithm to elect the available server when the original available master crashes
 - Elections are initialized by whatever process runs into an error first, whether it be the client, the routing service, or other master servers
 - A shared VirtualBox folder library is used to create a centralized database for user data including follower information and message/timeline history
- Slave servers
 - Started by forking the original master process
 - Monitors the master process ID
 - If the master crashes, the slave will fork itself to reinitialize a new master and slave

