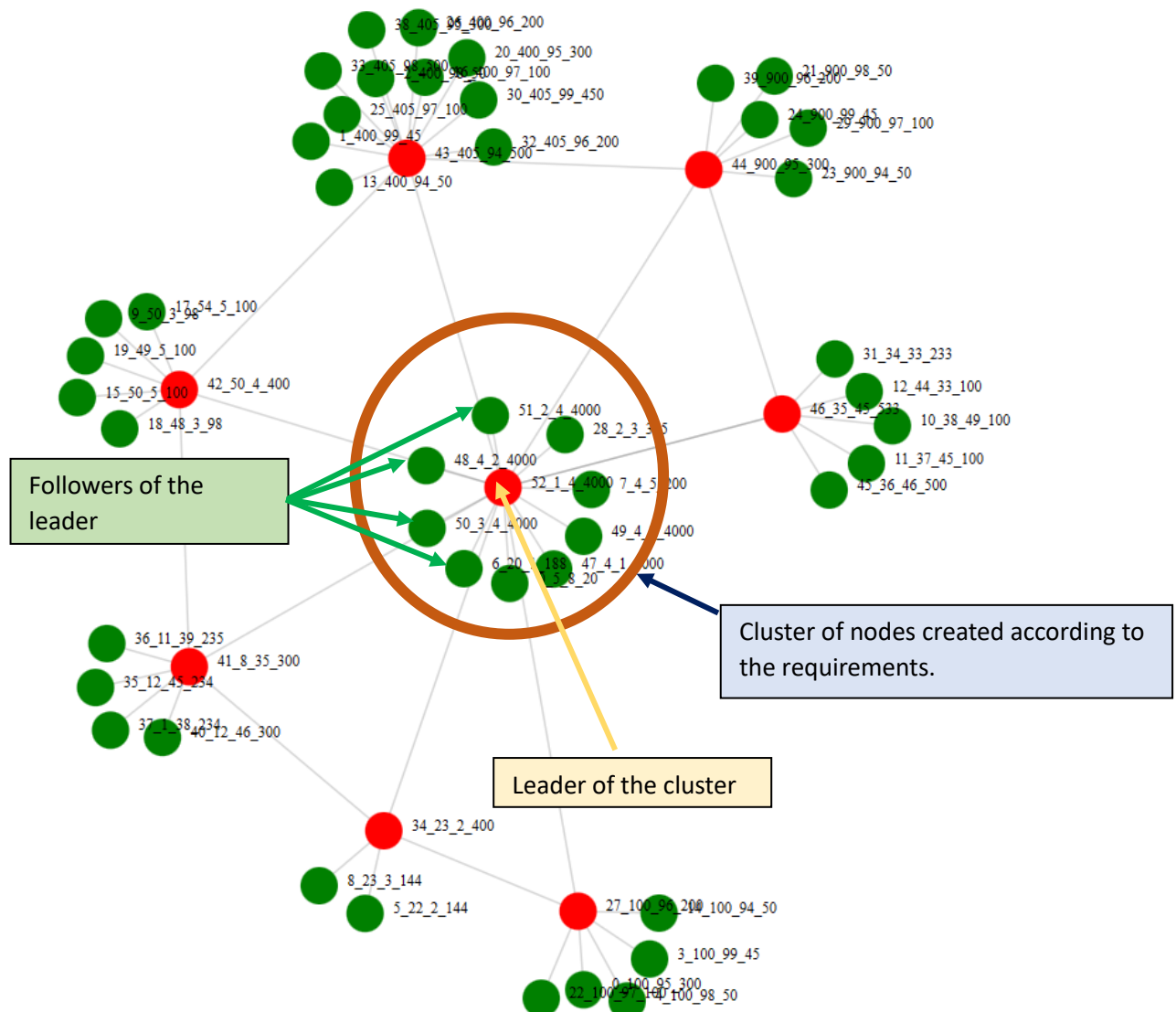


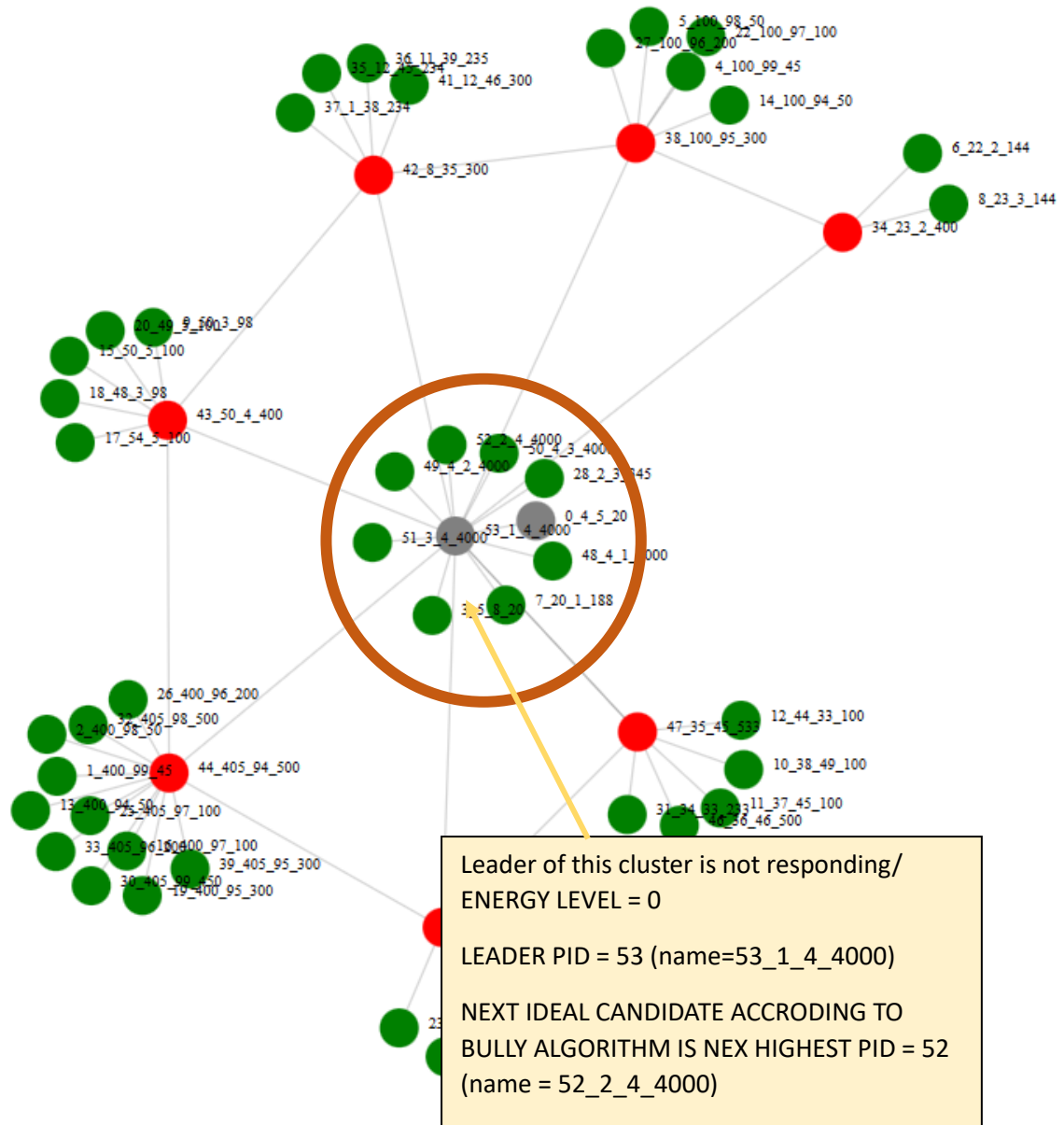
- Extract/Copy the *Executables* folder into your local storage. Make sure you have installed java 11 on your pc.
- Move into the *Executables* folder and open a command line window on that folder.
- Run following command (1).
 - `java -jar Distributed_Systems_Project_18-2.8.9.jar --file="inputs/input1.txt"`
 - There are 4 inputs in the inputs folder.
 - *Input1.txt, input2.txt, input3.txt, original_input.txt*
 - Change the name according to the input file you want to run in the above command -- file tag.
- Then open the *frontend* folder.
- Double click on the "*frontend.html*" file. This will start the distributed system and you will be able to see log output on the console window that you run the command (1)
 - **Make sure port 8887 is free on your system.**
- On your browser window you will see visual representation of the distributed system.
- You should see a distributed system as a graph as in following figures. (You can zoom in and out as necessary to see PIDs and NODE NAMES.)

How to read the front-end visualization

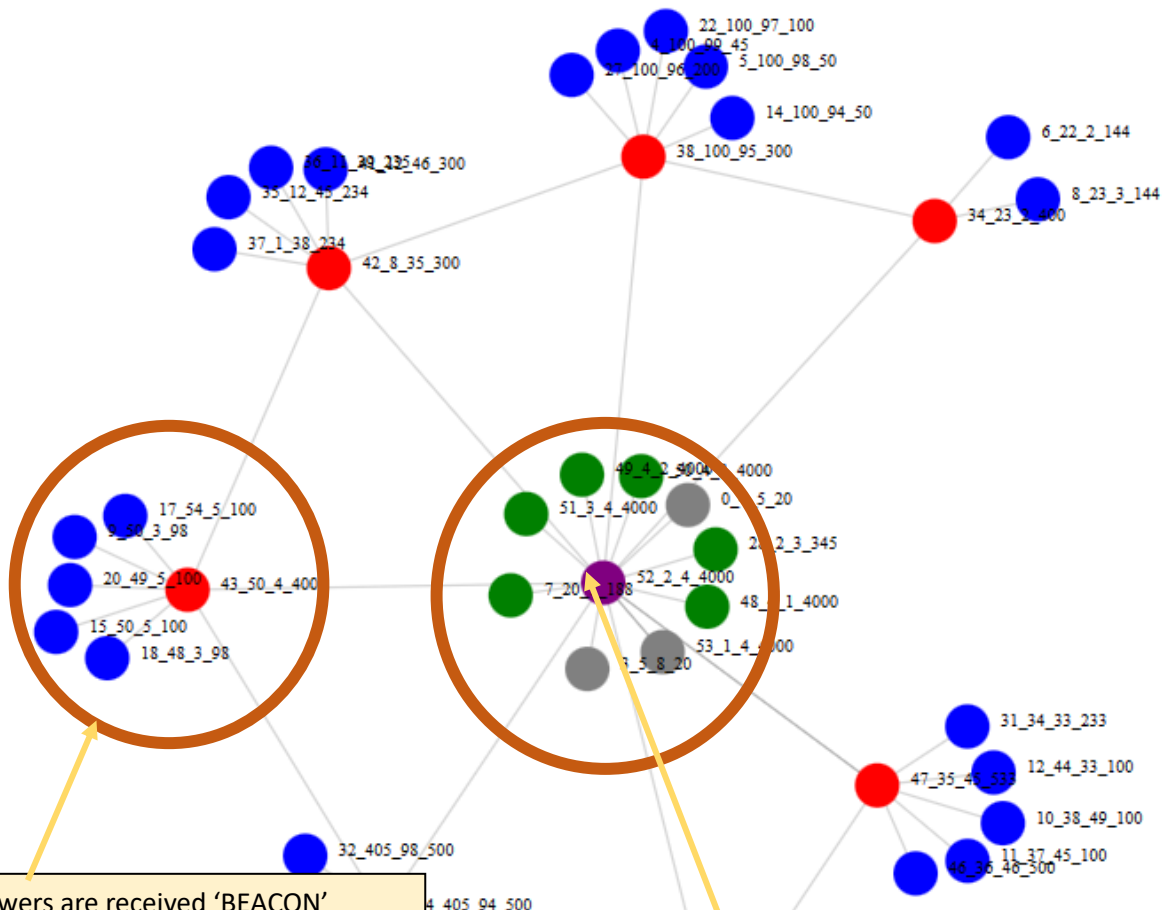


Leader Election Visualization

Step - 01



Step - 02

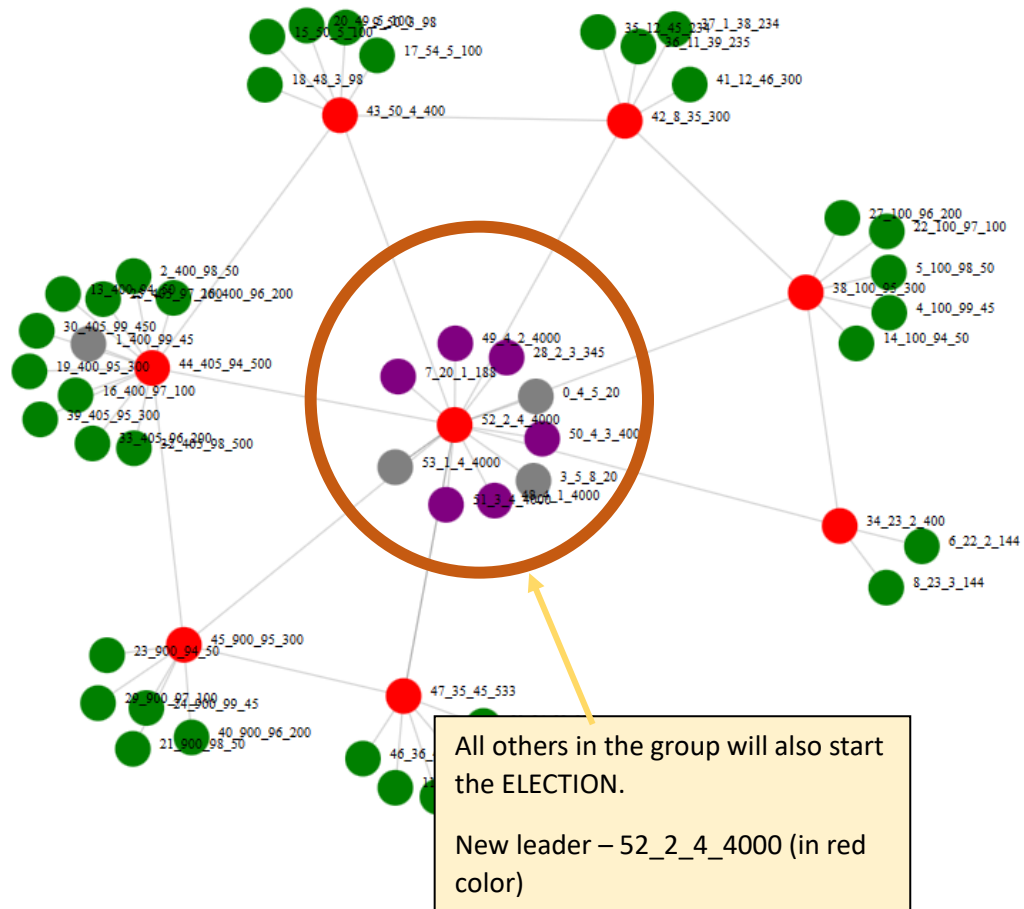


Blue means followers are received 'BEACON' message and they know leader is responding by receiving 'BEACON' message. Leader will send the beacon message to all the followers in interval of 15 seconds. Followers will assume leader is not responding if 'BEACON' message is not received for 20 seconds or not responding to a direct message to a leader within 5 seconds. If they know leader is not responding then who ever first realize that leader is not responding will start an election (will turn in to purple)

Next ideal candidate (52_2_4_4000) realize leader (53_1_4_4000) is not responding since 'BEACON' message not received from the leader (53_1_4_4000)

So, it starts an election (hence purple color) and realize that no process has PID greater than his ID in his group (every node knows who is in their group and assigned PIDs) and he make himself as the leader (hence center of the group – in the next step it will be red color)

Step - 03



Step - 04

