Sistemas Distribuídos

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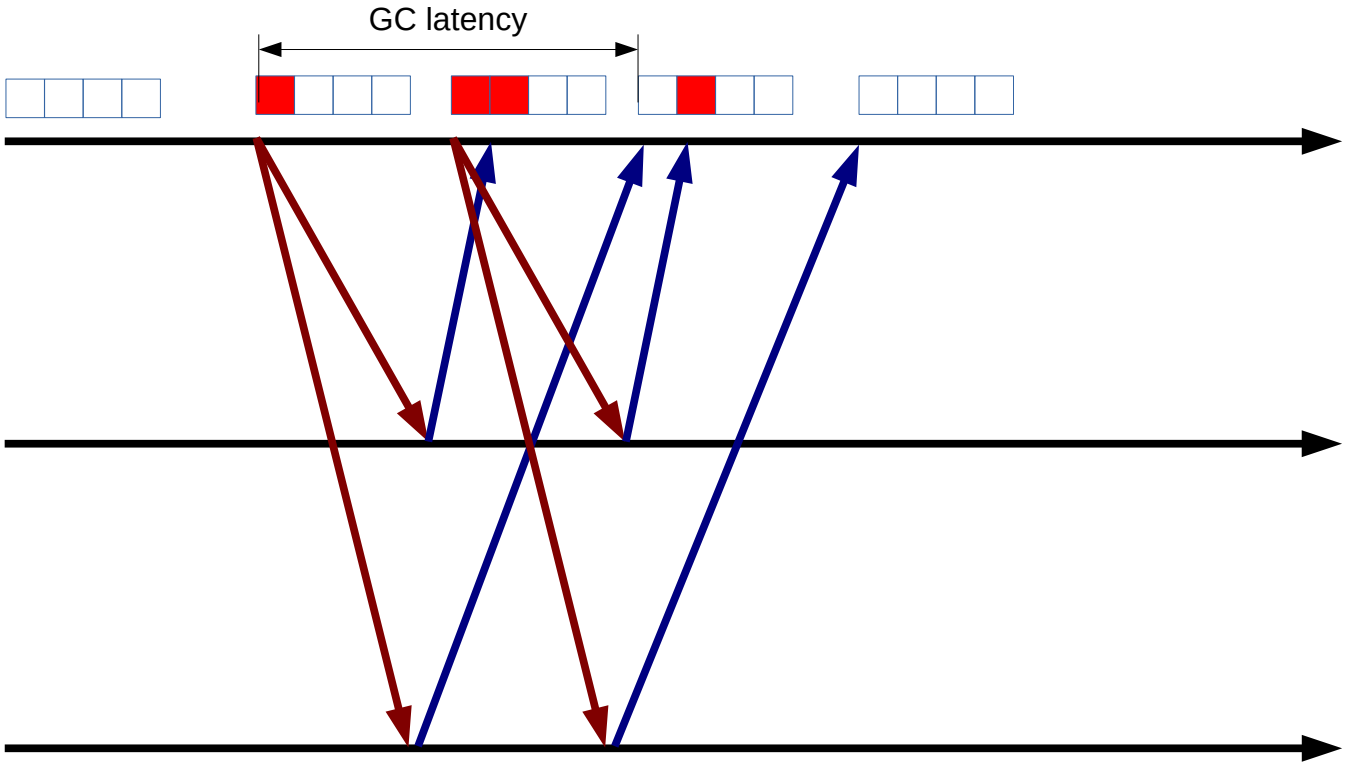
Application Level Multicast

- Send to multiple destinations: group
- Reliability:
  - Deliver all messages sent
    vs
  - All deliver the same messages (agreement)

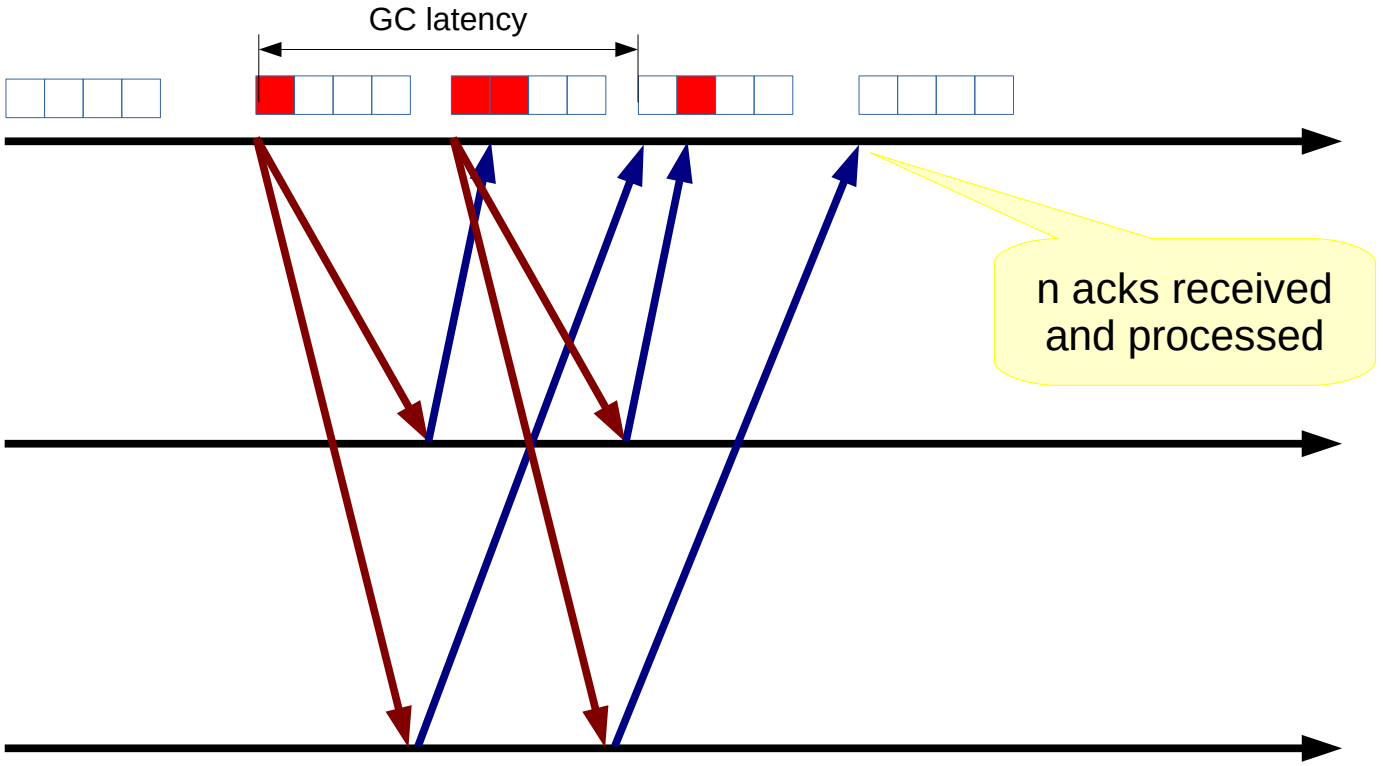
General approach

- Buffer and retransmit until acknowledged



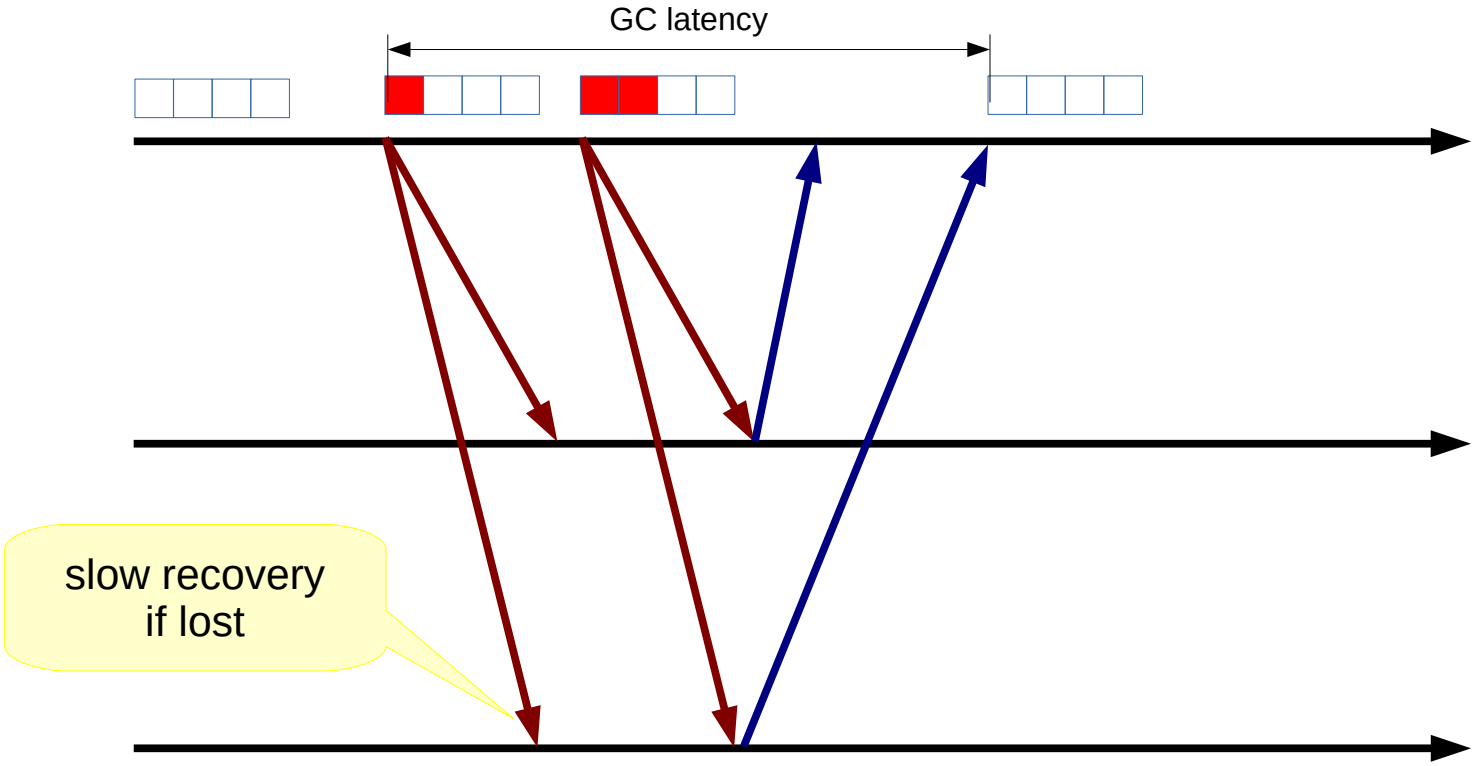
Acknowledgments

- Not scalable to large number of destinations due to “ack implosion”:



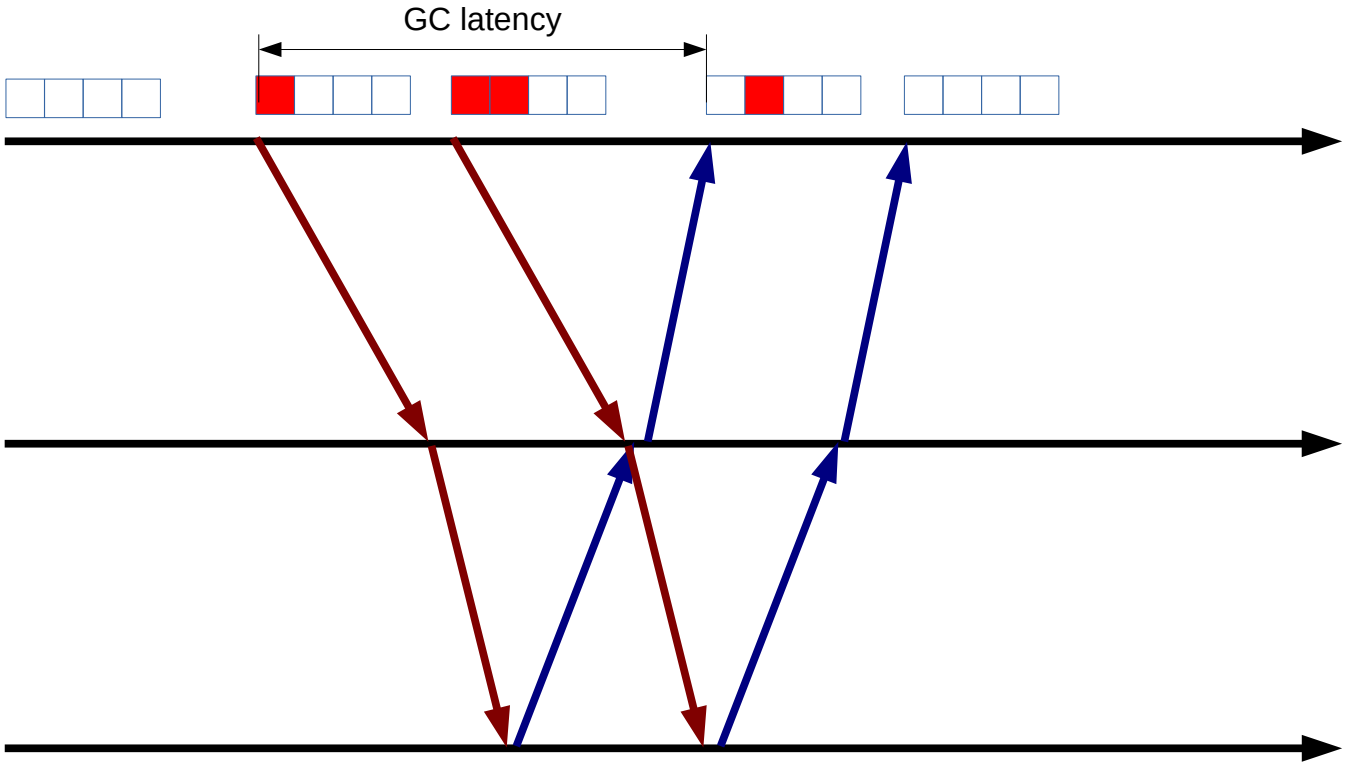
Group acknowledgment

- Not scalable to high throughput due to large buffer requirements and slow recovery:



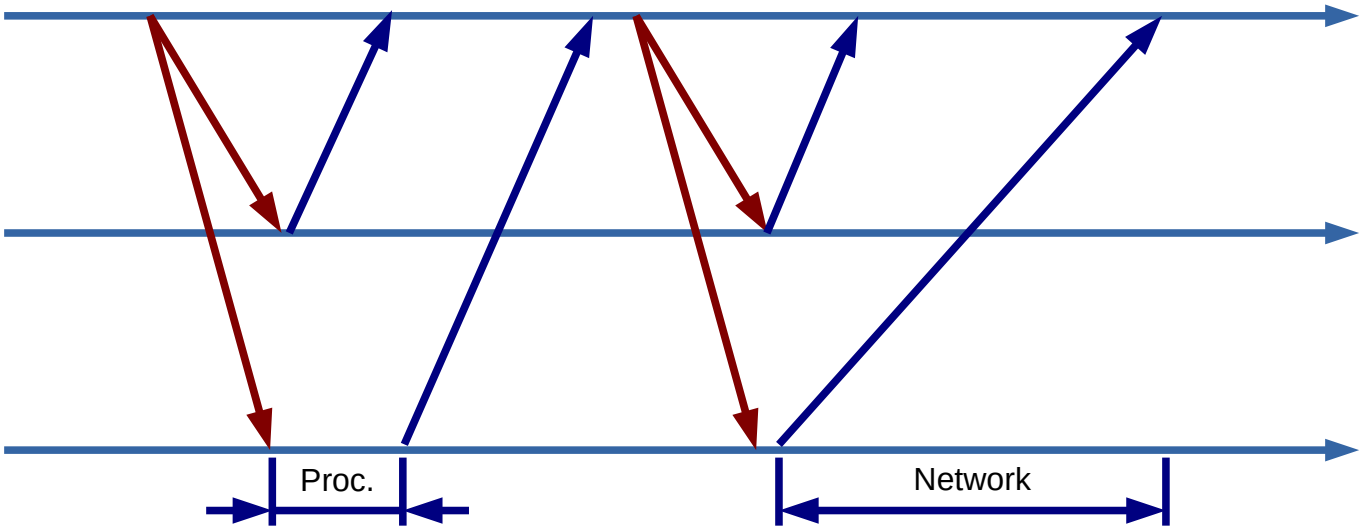
Structured multicast

- Avoids “ack implosion” but increases GC latency:



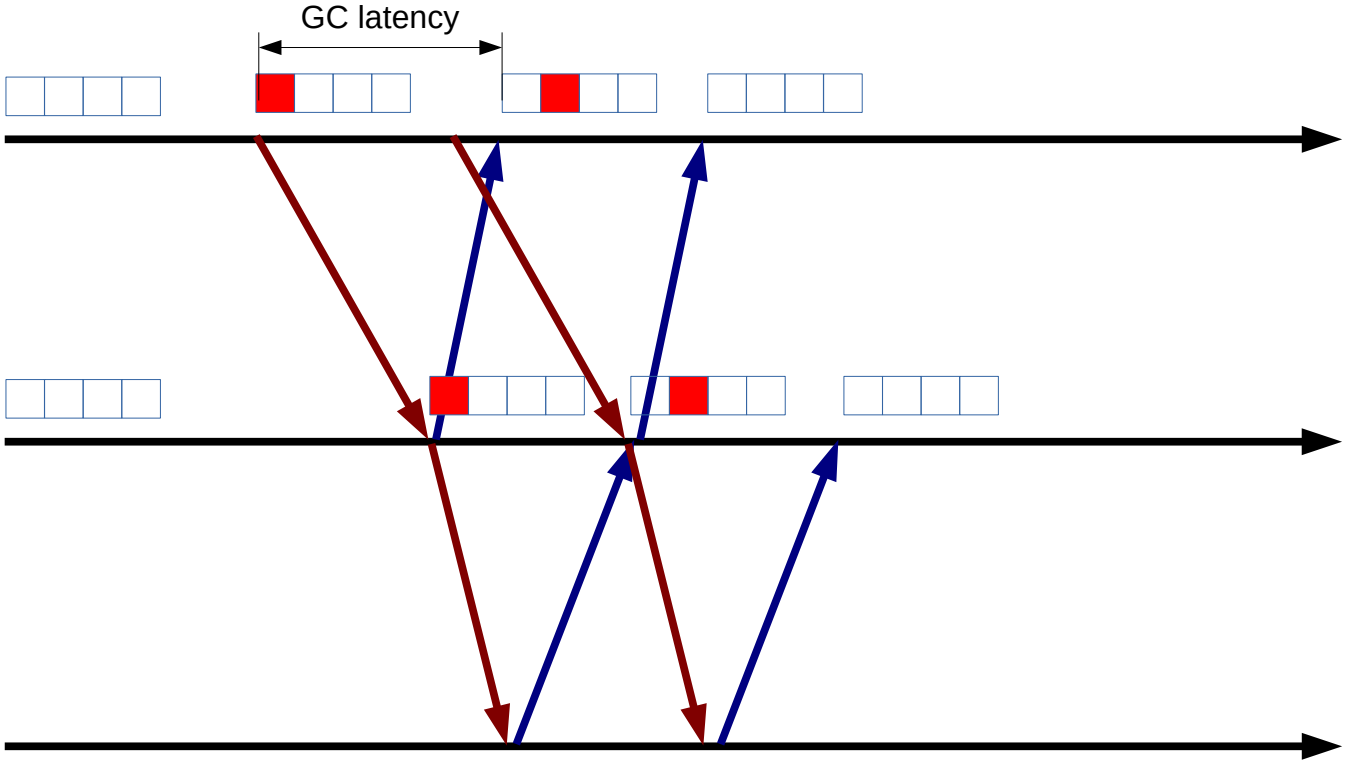
Crybaby

- A single slow receiver delays GC, regardless of structure:



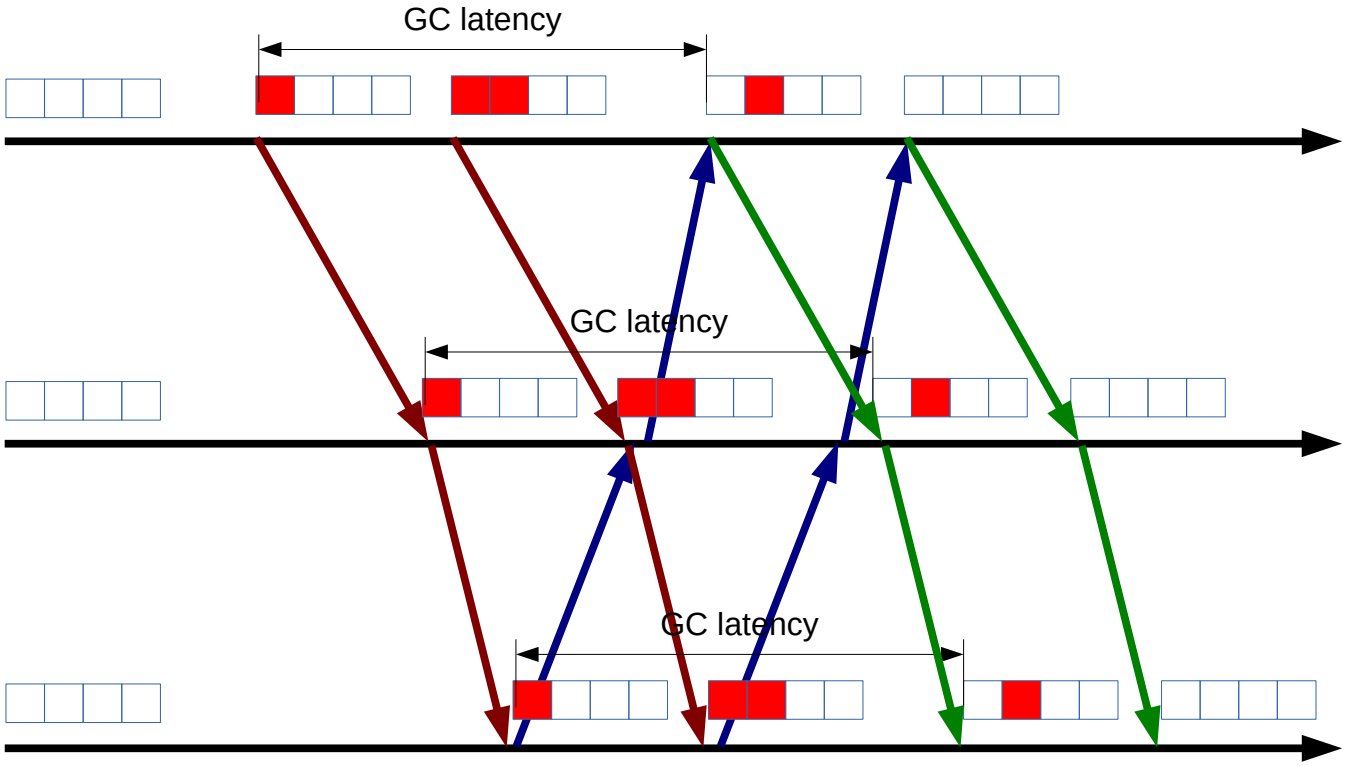
Local acknowledgment

- Local acknowledgment decreases GC latency by using additional buffering:



Multicast with Agreement

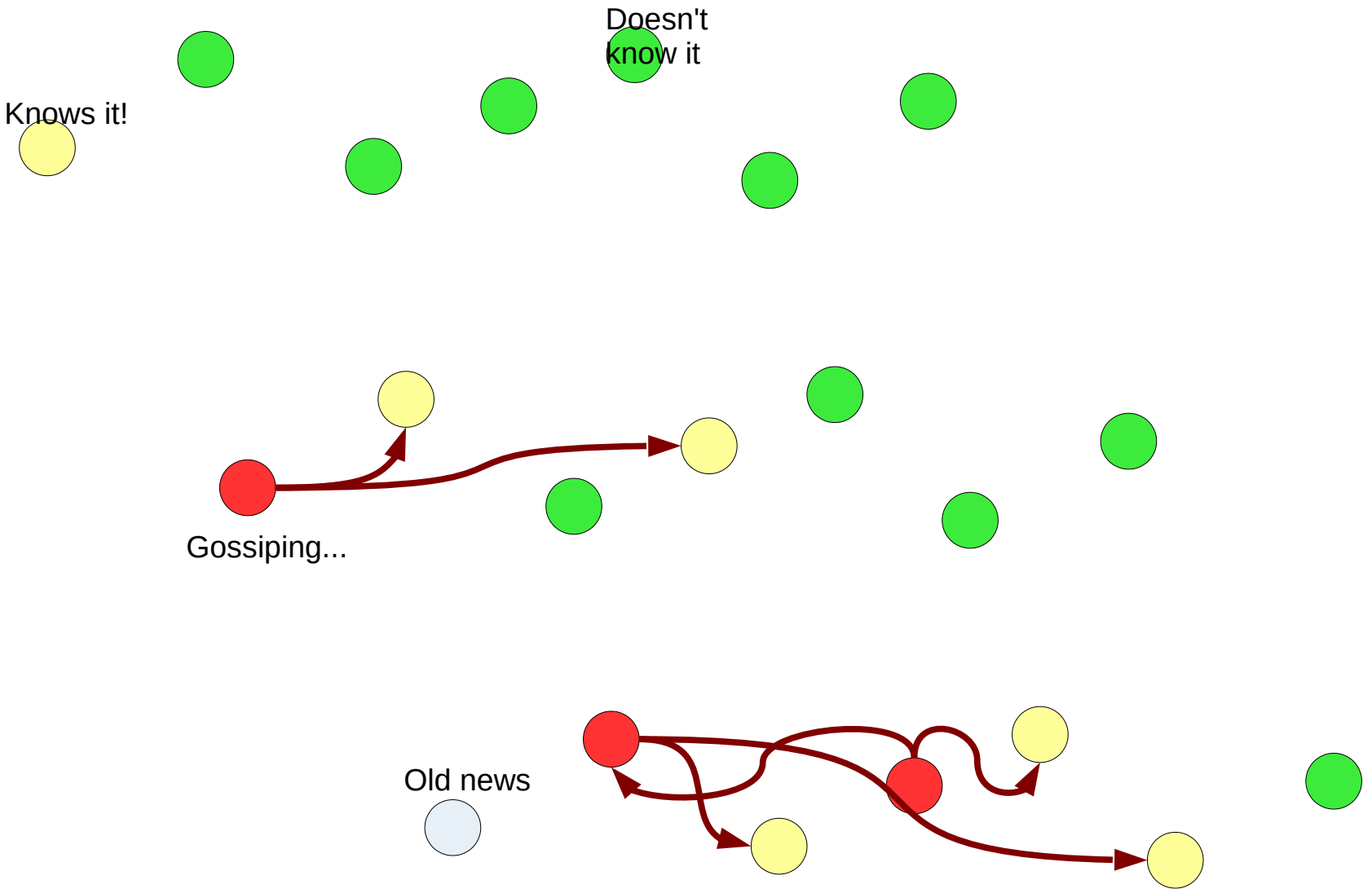
- Two rounds of acknowledgment required to avoid “O(n²) ack implosion”:



Gossip

- Simple protocol to multicast a message:
  - Select a small subset of random targets
  - Forward message only to those targets
  - Discard message
- Upon receiving a new message, act as the sender

Gossip



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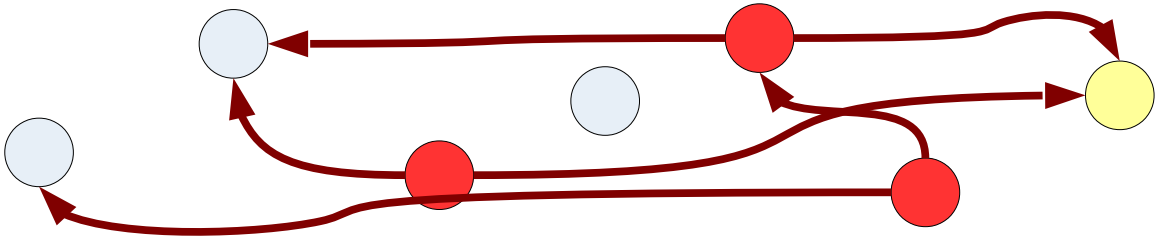
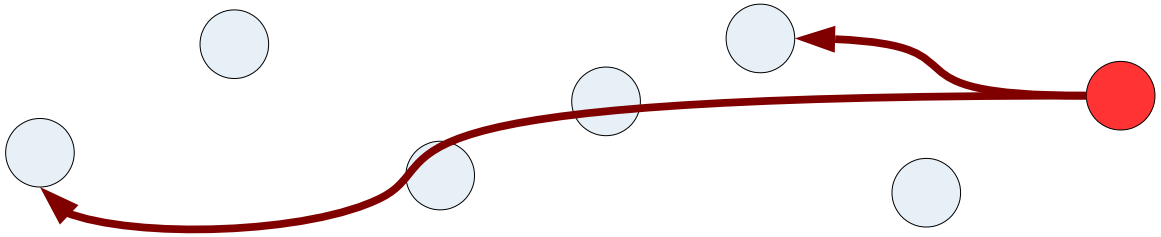
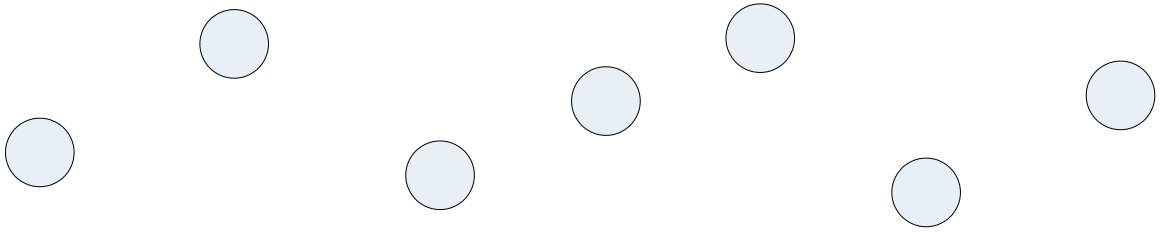






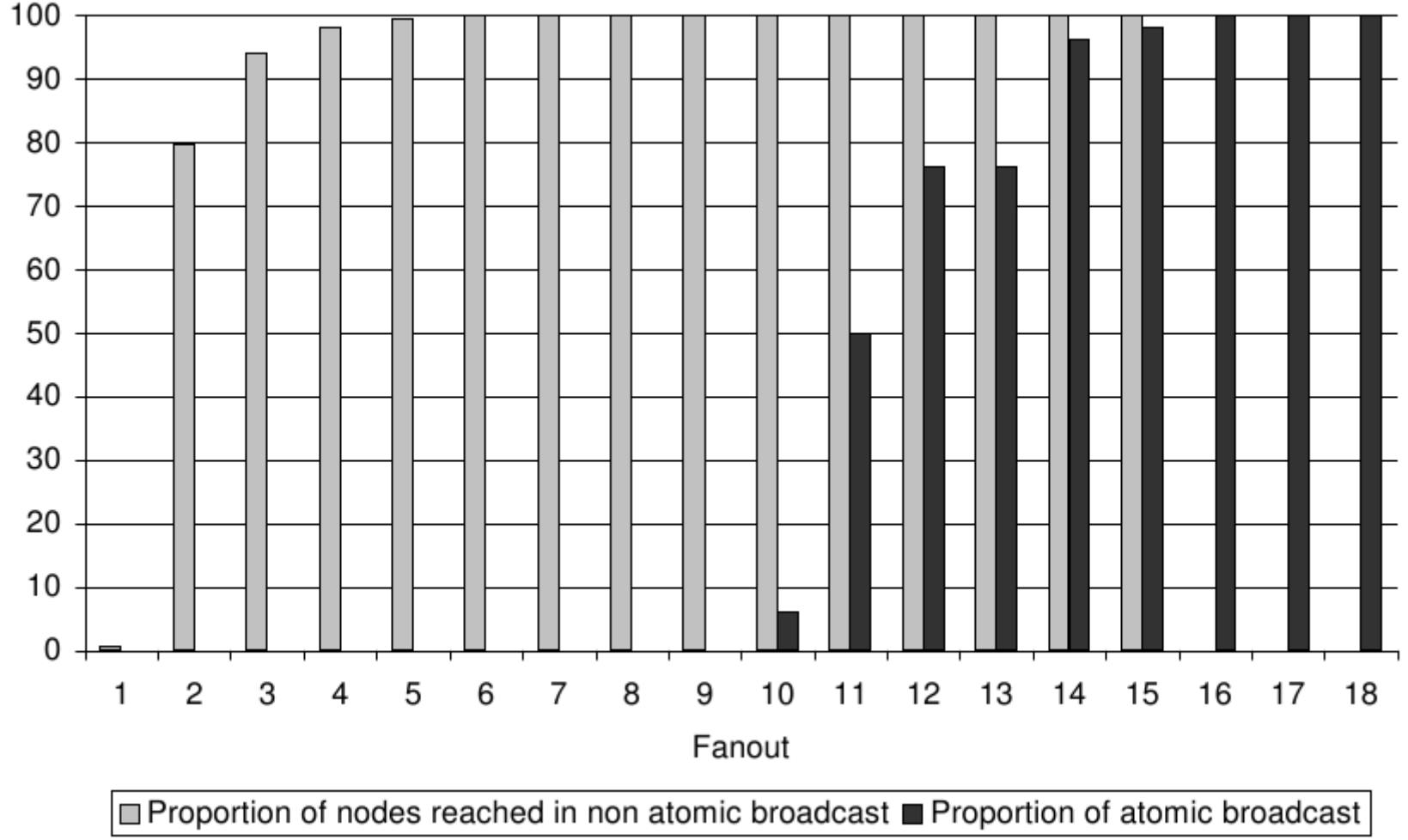
Gossip and Epidemics

- Similarity with epidemics:
  - Sender = contagious = spreads rumor
  - Receiver = infected = knows rumor
  - Ignores duplicated = dead = old news...
- Interesting parameters:
  - n – size of the population
  - f – number of targets

Fanout vs Reliability

- Infected rate π:
  - $\pi = 1-\exp(\pi f)$
  - Independent of n!
- Probability of atomic infection p:
  - $f = \log(n)+c$, $p = \exp(-\exp(-c))$
  - Depends on n!
- Duration of epidemic when infecting the entire population order of log(n)

Fanout vs Reliability



(50000 destinations)

In From Epidemics to Distributed Computing.
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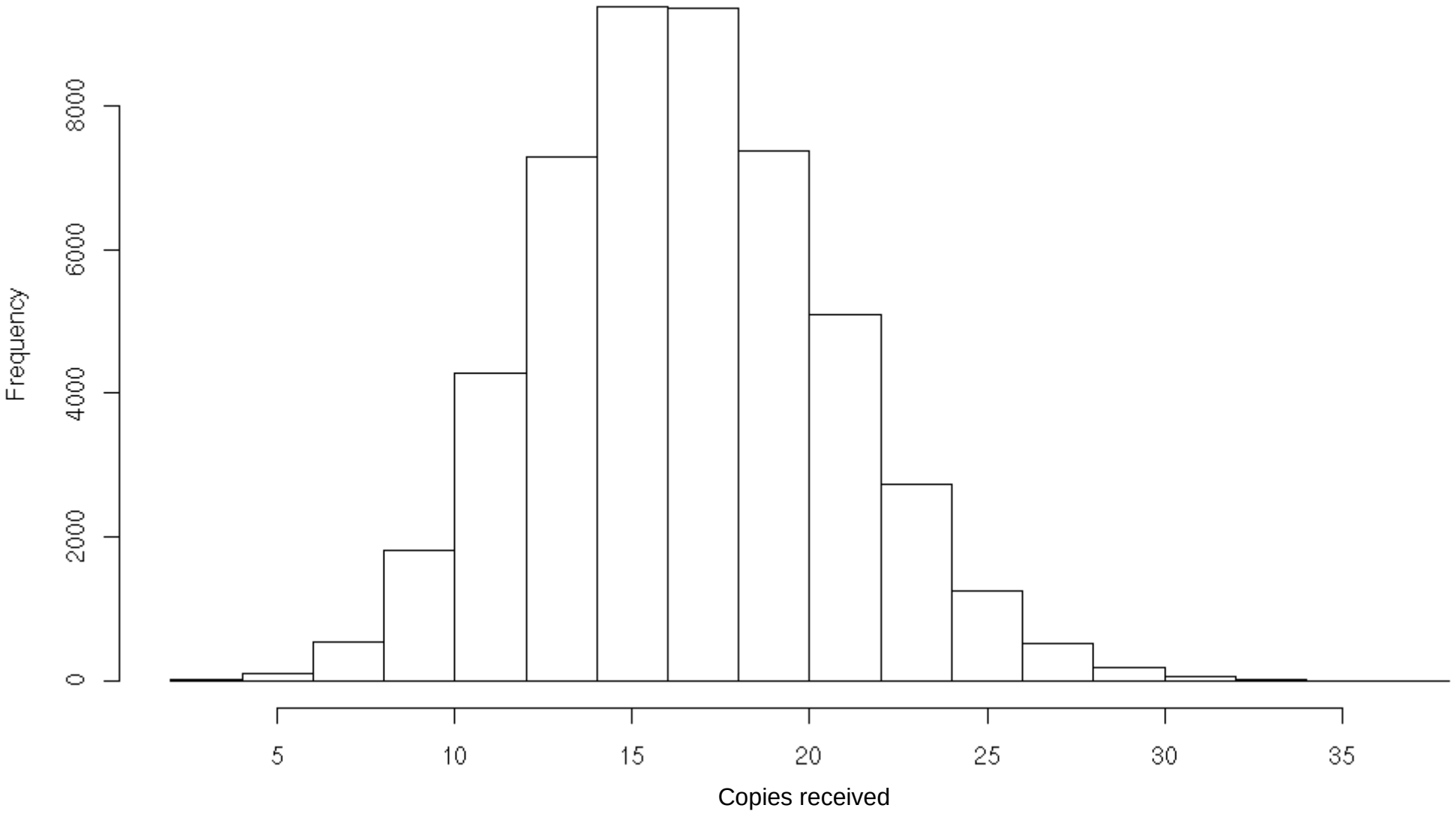
Redundancy



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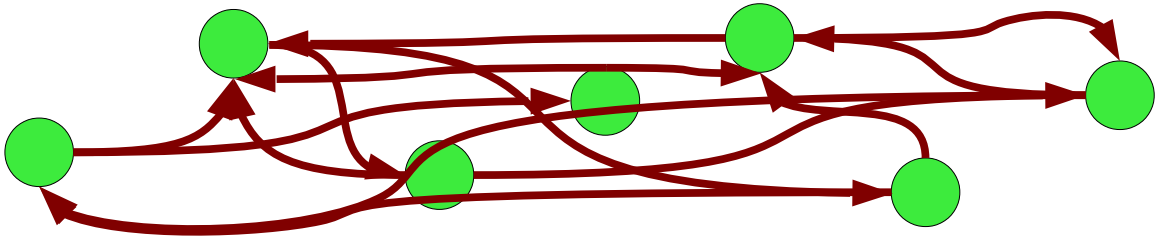
Peer Sampling and Overlays

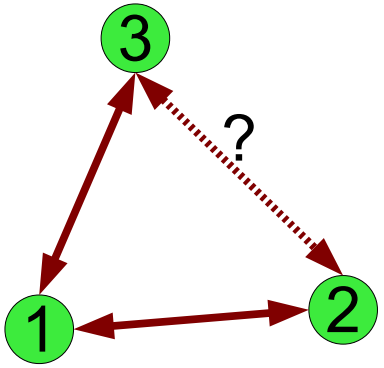
- Need random sample of *f* peers from the set of targets
- Current sample defines implicit overlay network:



- Cannot assume knowledge of all targets to draw from:
  - Potentially very large list
  - How to update it dynamically (churn)?

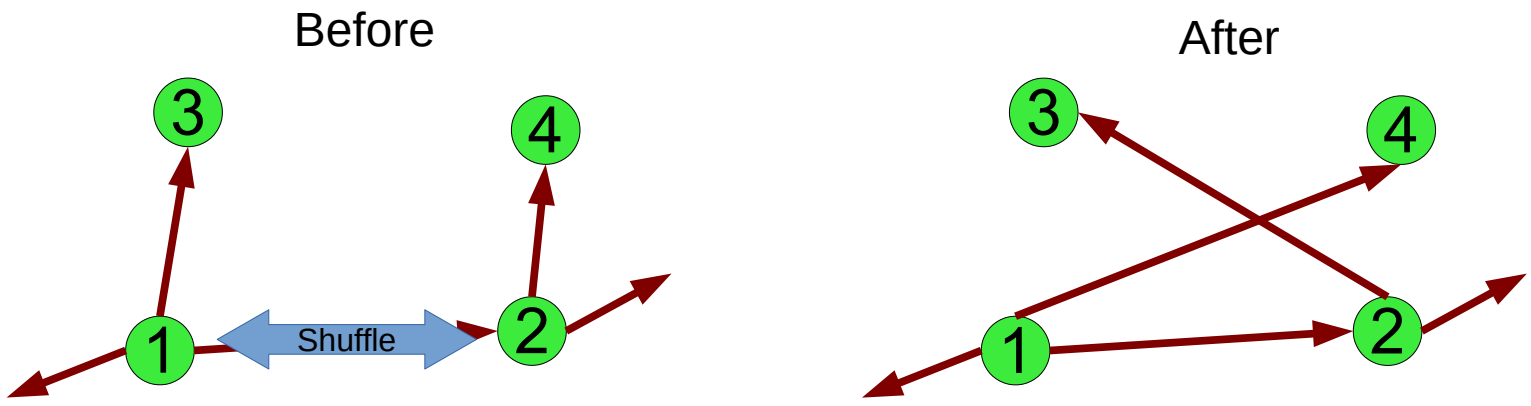
Desirable Overlay Properties

- Connectivity!
  - Convergence to f+c
  - Low variance for load balancing
- Low diameter
  - Latency
- Uniform sample
  - Avoid clustering



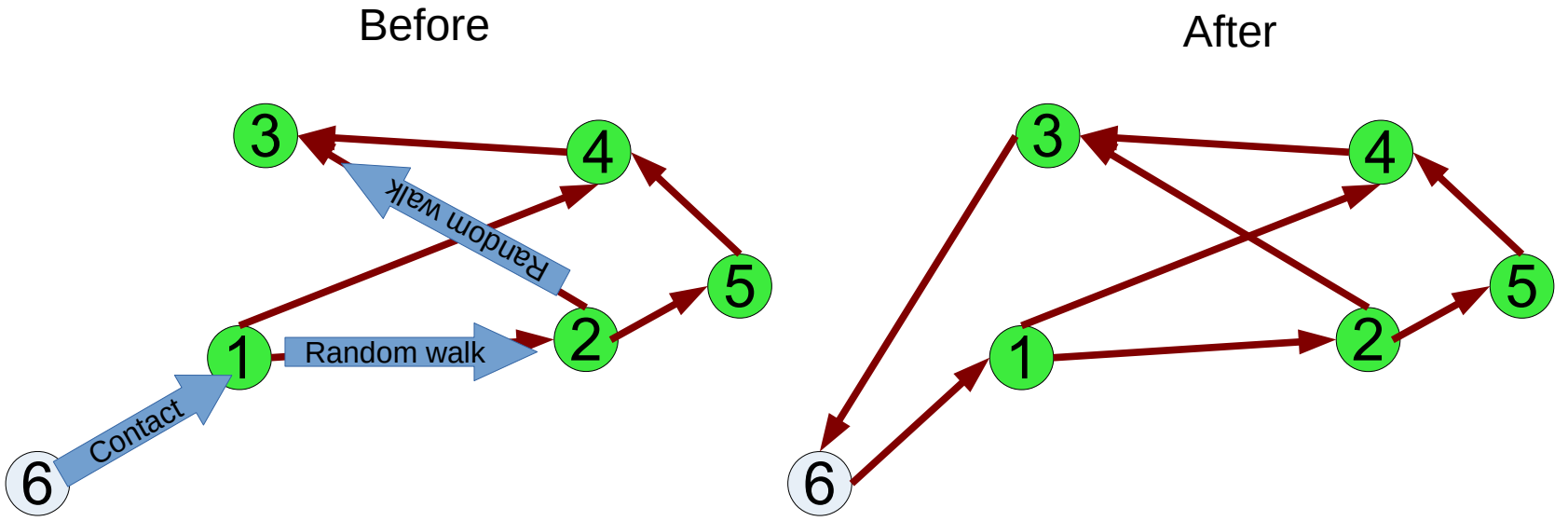
Proactive Overlay Maintenance

- Keep a list of known targets
- Periodically shuffle with known peers:
  - Evict some local targets at random
  - Adopt some remote targets at random



Reactive Overlay Maintenance

- To join a group, use a contact point
- Initiate *f+c* random walks in the overlay from the contact point
- Upon arrival, insert new member in local target set



Fault Tolerance

- Pros:
  - Tolerates faults by increasing parameter f:
    - Packet loss
    - Dead processes
  - Immune to the crybaby, since there is no feedback
- Cons:
  - Assumes independent faults

Performance

- Pros:
  - No tree setup/repair overhead
  - Perfect load balancing
- Cons:
  - Redundancy