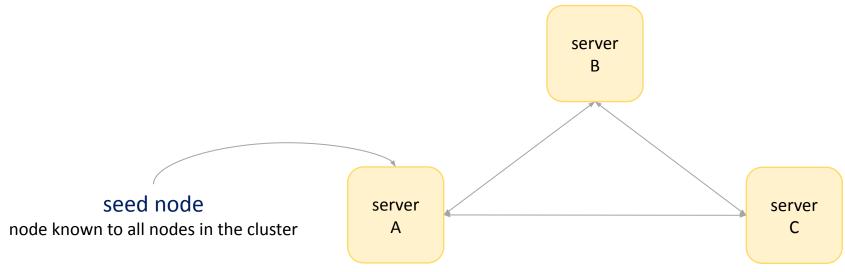
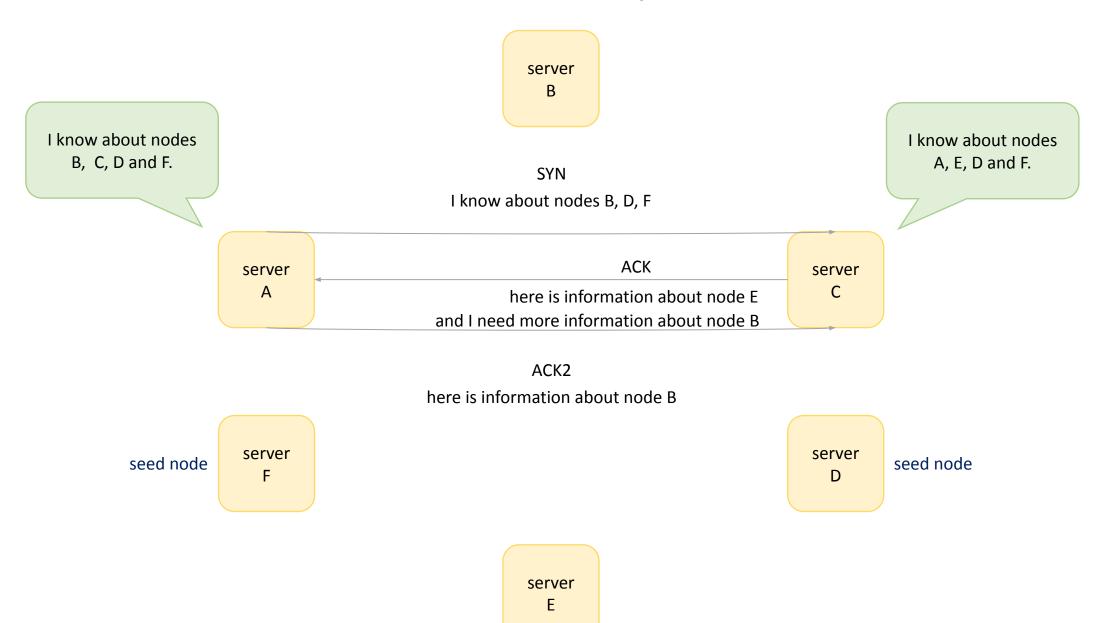


- newly added machine can identify other machines in the cluster
- machines in the cluster can identify a failed machine
- every machine knows the state of its peers



- advertised via a static configuration file
- or DNS



Node Name	Heartbeat	Last Updated
server A	312	1 second ago
server B	314	3 seconds ago
server C	311	2 seconds ago
server D	307	2 seconds ago
server E	192	125 seconds ago
server F	314	3 seconds ago

server B

server A 312

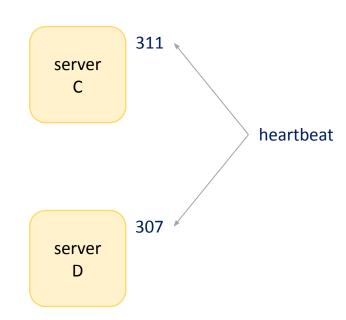
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But from time to time I will try to re-establish contact with the failed node.

I will no longer gossip with the failed node on a regular basis.

server

server E



gossip protocol

characteristics

- peer-to-peer communication protocol
- decentralized (no coordinator, every node is independent)
- fault tolerant
- lightweight, fast and efficient

applications

- databases (Riak, Cassandra, Dynamo)
- service discovery system (Consul)
- object storage (S3)
- distributed cache (Redis)
- distributed rate limiter