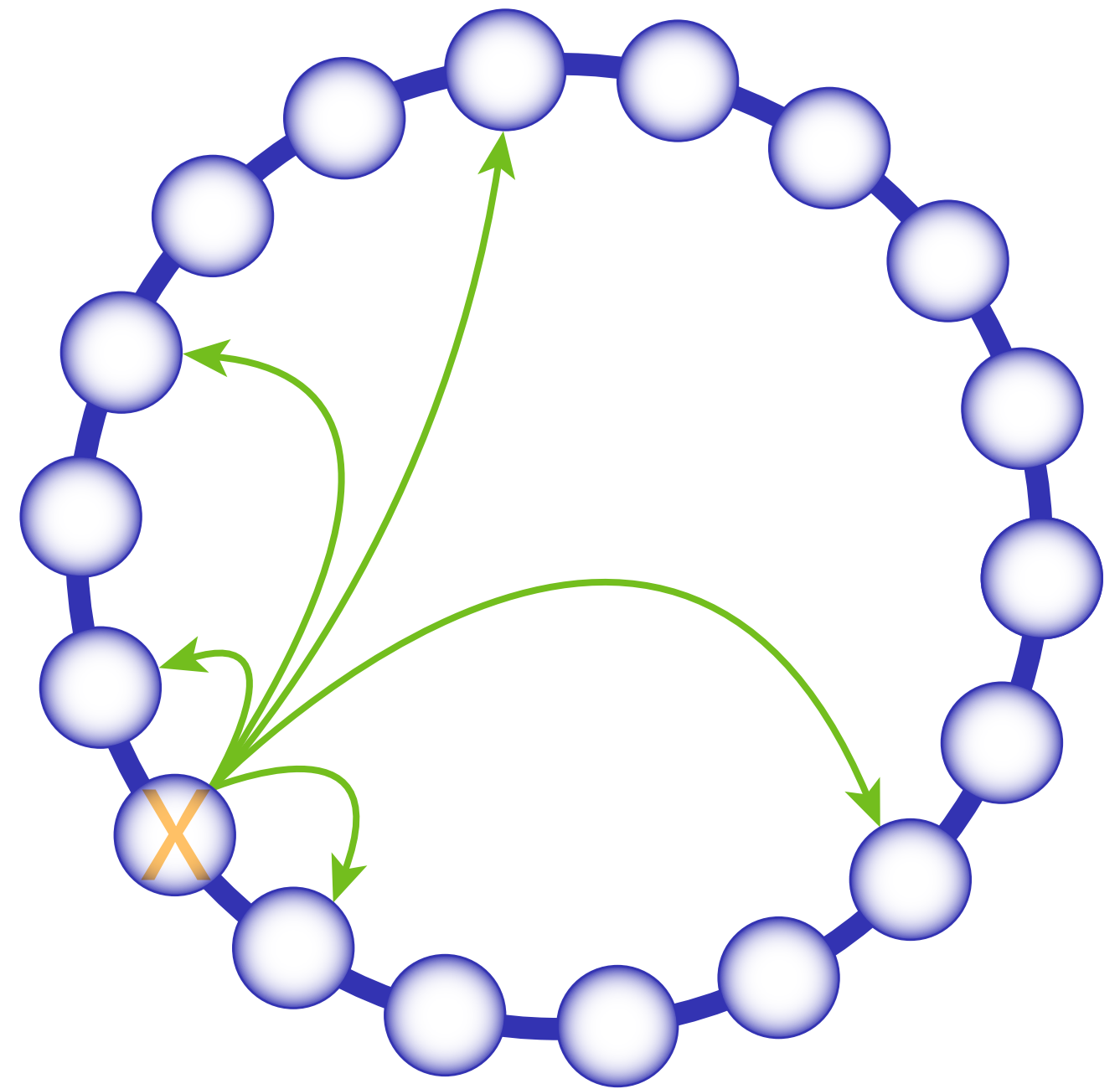*(a) State-Gathering*

(b) Announcement