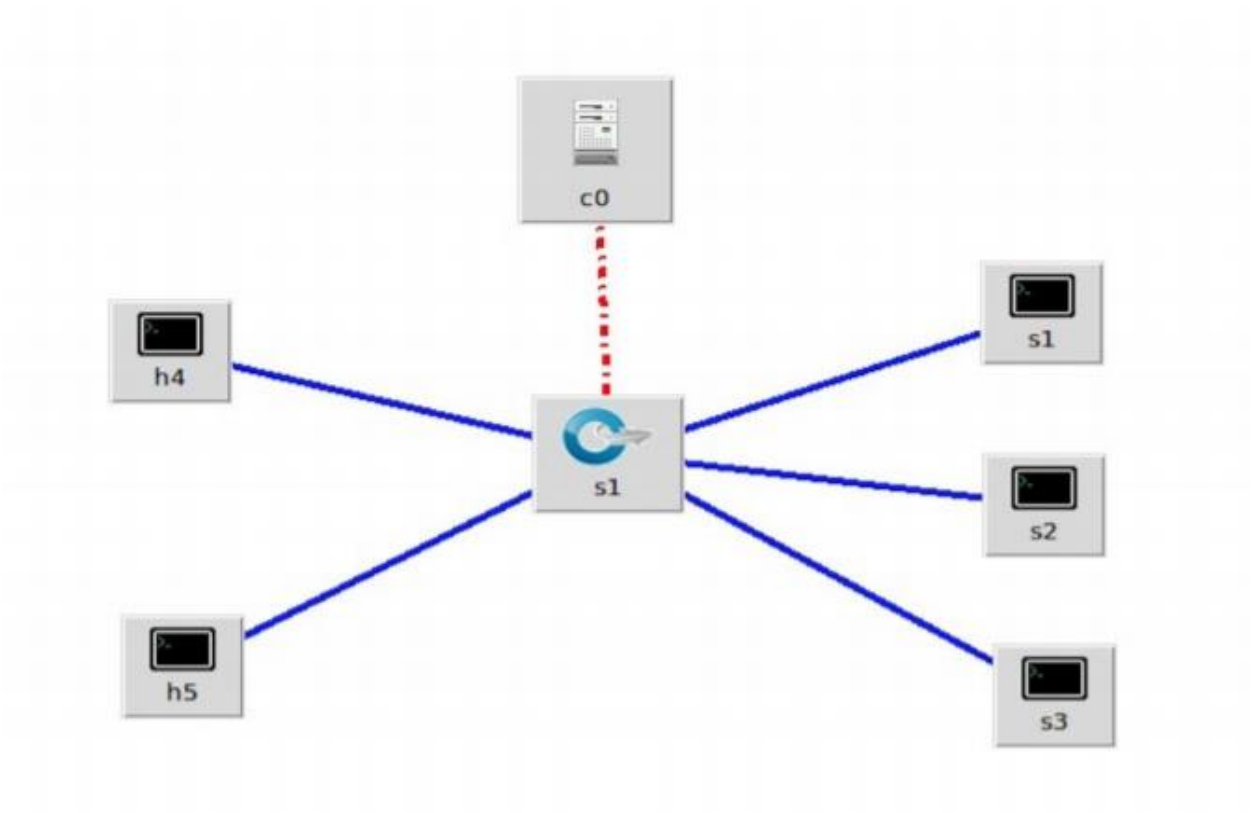
Internet Protocols and Architecture
Project 3

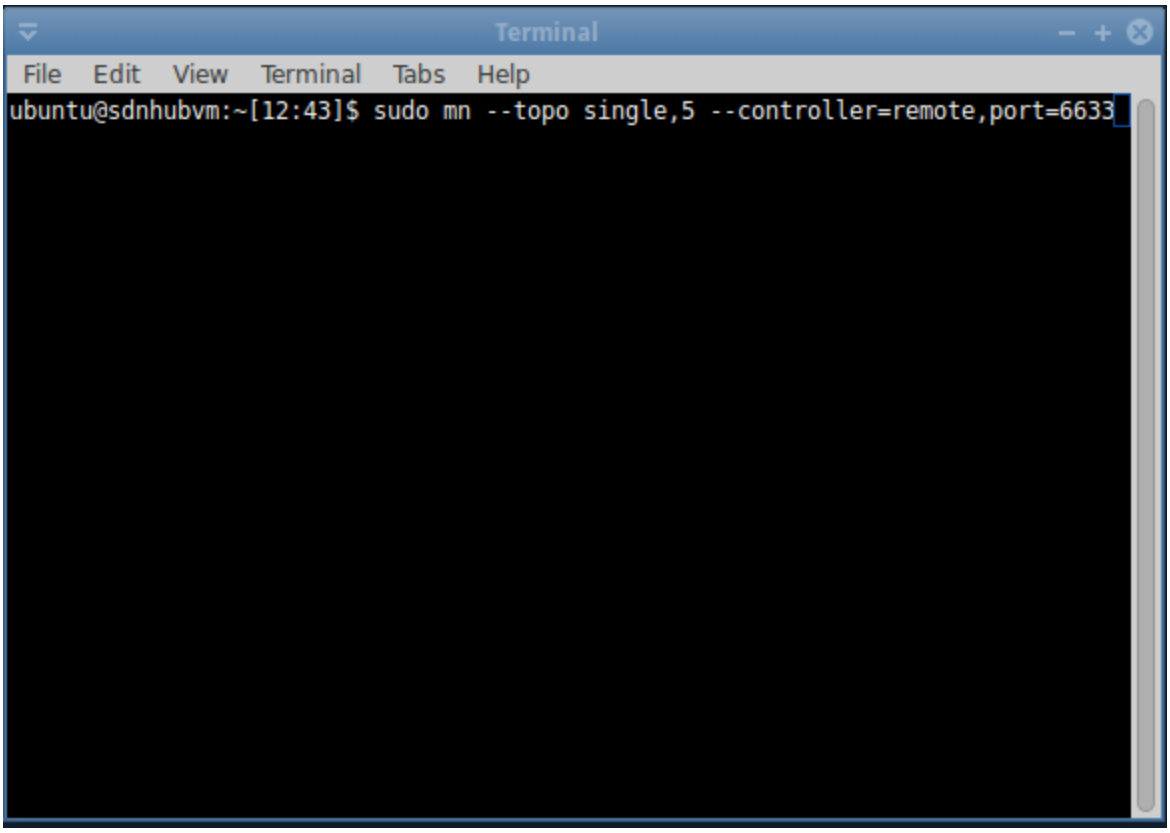
In this project I have designed a network providing server load distribution. Servers are HTTP servers. I implemented the design by creating two hosts, a remote controller (POX controller), a Load balancer and three HTTP Servers. The hosts put up an HTTP request to the load balancer (IP Address: 10.0.1.1 in this case) and the load balancer then schedules the request to the servers in a round robin manner. If the topology is changed, that is, if a server is added or removed, the load balancer dynamically adapts to the change and directs to other servers.

Step 1: Topology design



Step 2:
Created a topology with the help of the following command on the terminal.

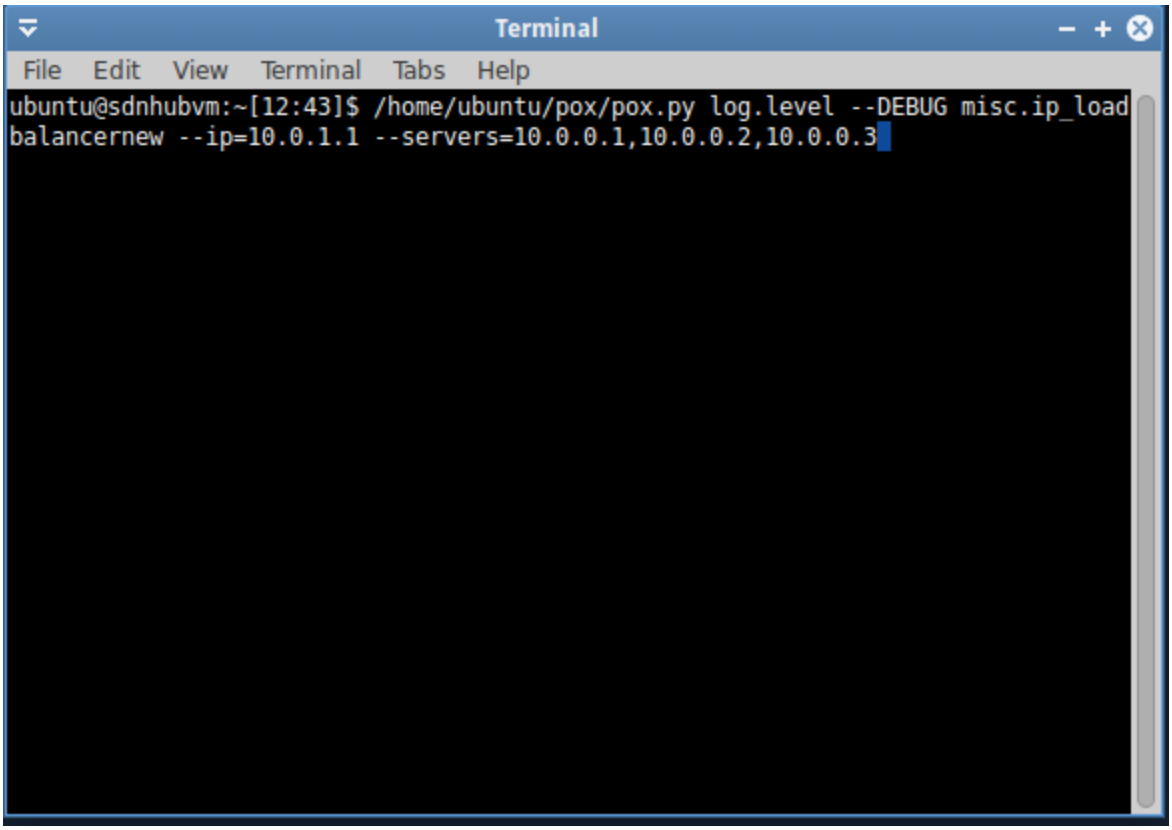
sudo mn -- topo single,5 -- controller=remote,port=6633



Step 3:

Invoking a pox controller and initializing a load balancer python file with IP of load balancer as 10.0.1.1 and 10.0.0.1, 10.0.0.2, 10.0.0.3 which are the IPs of three servers respectively with the command below on another terminal.

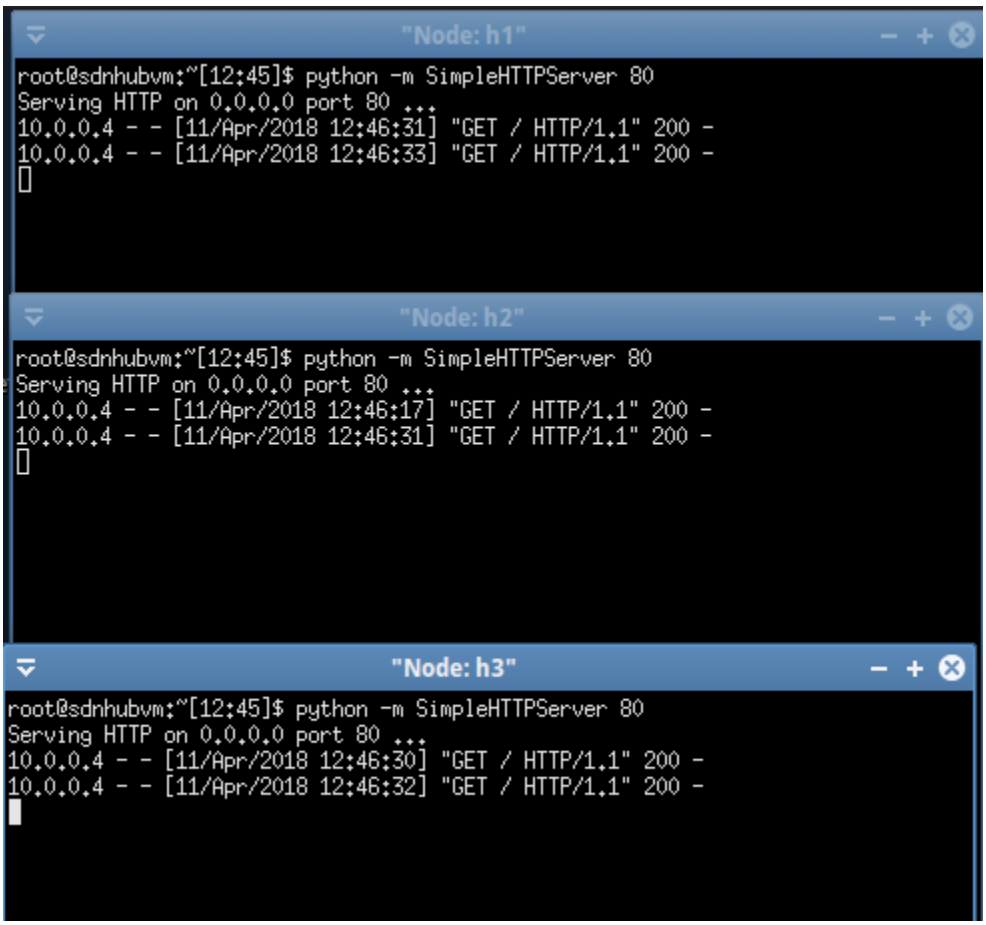
/home/ubuntu/pox/pox.py log.level -- DEBUG misc.ip_loadbalancernew -- ip=10.0.1.1 -- servers=10.0.0.1,10.0.0.2,10.0.0.3



Step 4:

Making the first 3 nodes h1, h2 and h3 as HTTP servers with following command in xterms of each above-mentioned node in mininet.

python -m SimpleHTTPServer 80



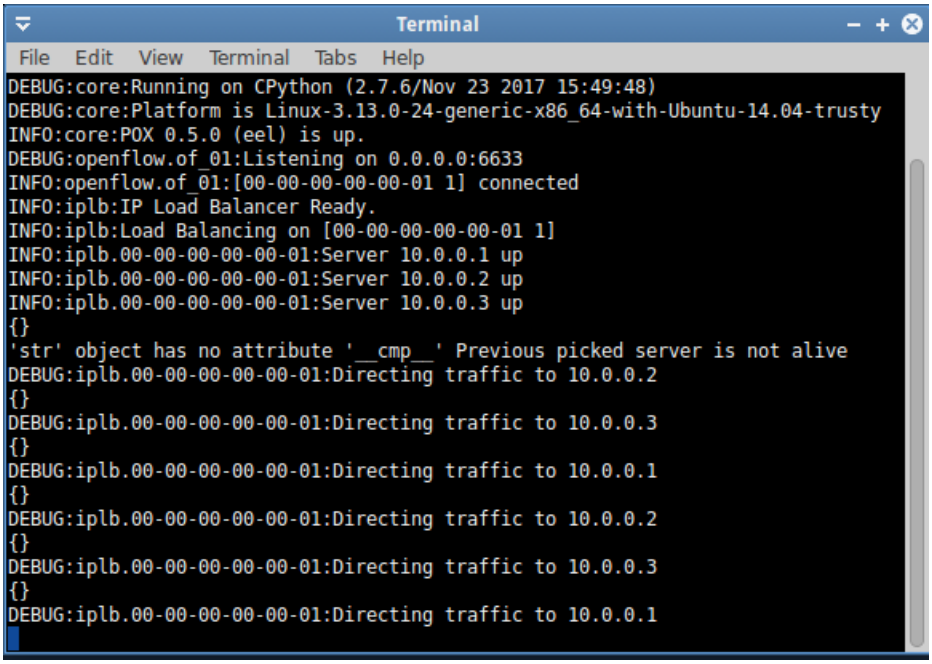
Step 5:

To fetch data from the server, following command should be given on xterm of the hosts which requests the load balancer which in turn directs the traffic to one of the servers.

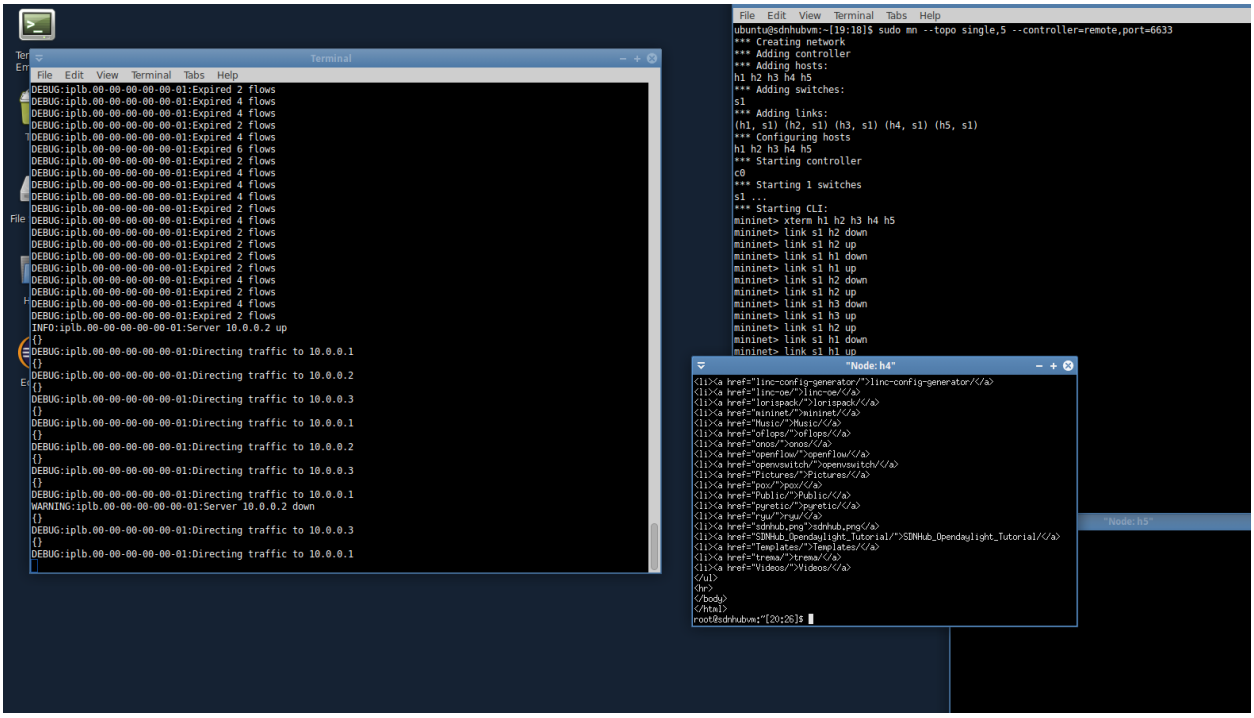
curl 10.0.1.1 (IP of load balancer)

Step 6:

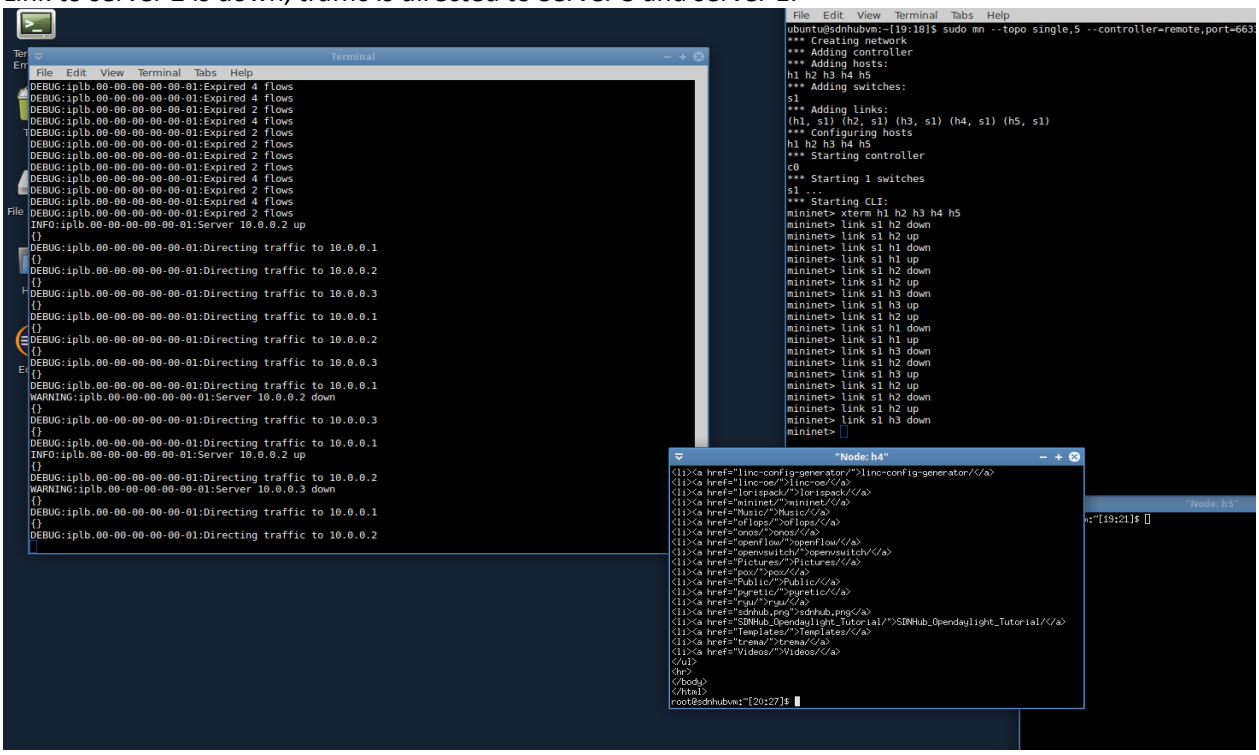
In this step, we observe in the controller terminal the traffic directed to servers during each request by the host. Now the controller directs the traffic to each server in a Round Robin manner. In case where a server is removed, the controller directs the traffic to the remaining servers, thus maintaining the connectivity.



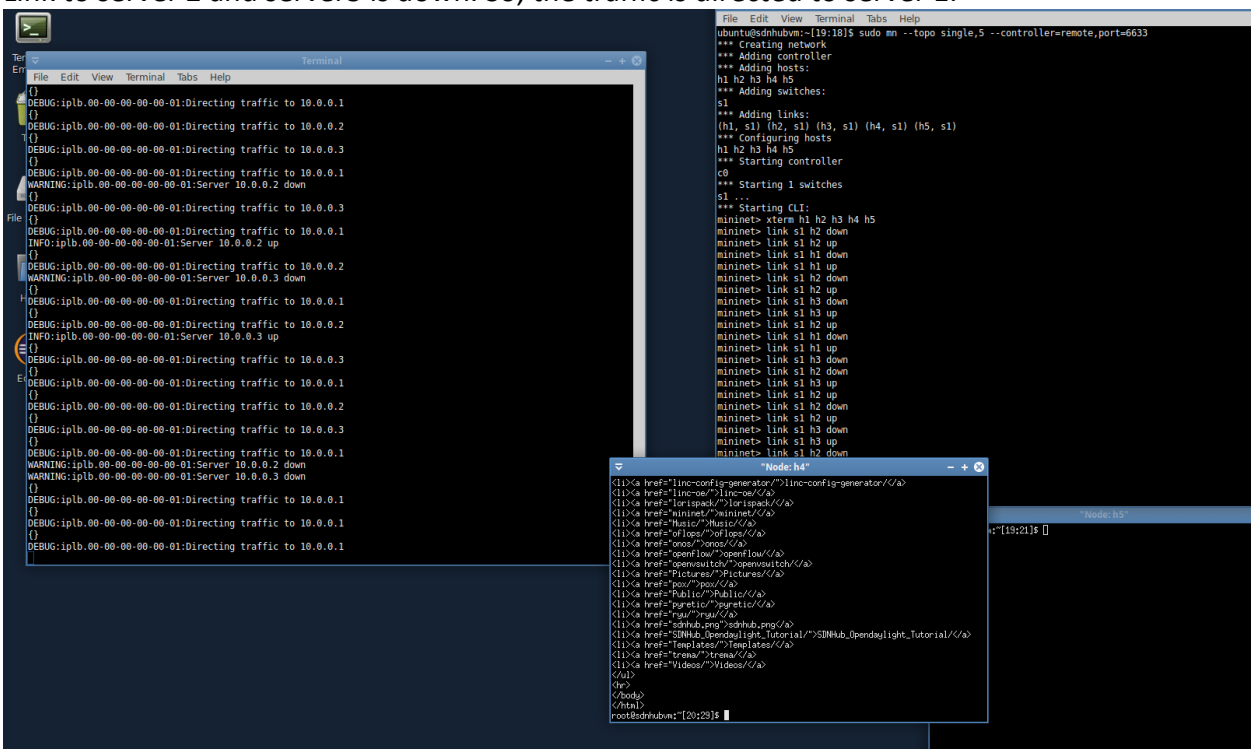
Output:
Here, the Round Robin sequence is [server 2, server 3, server 1]

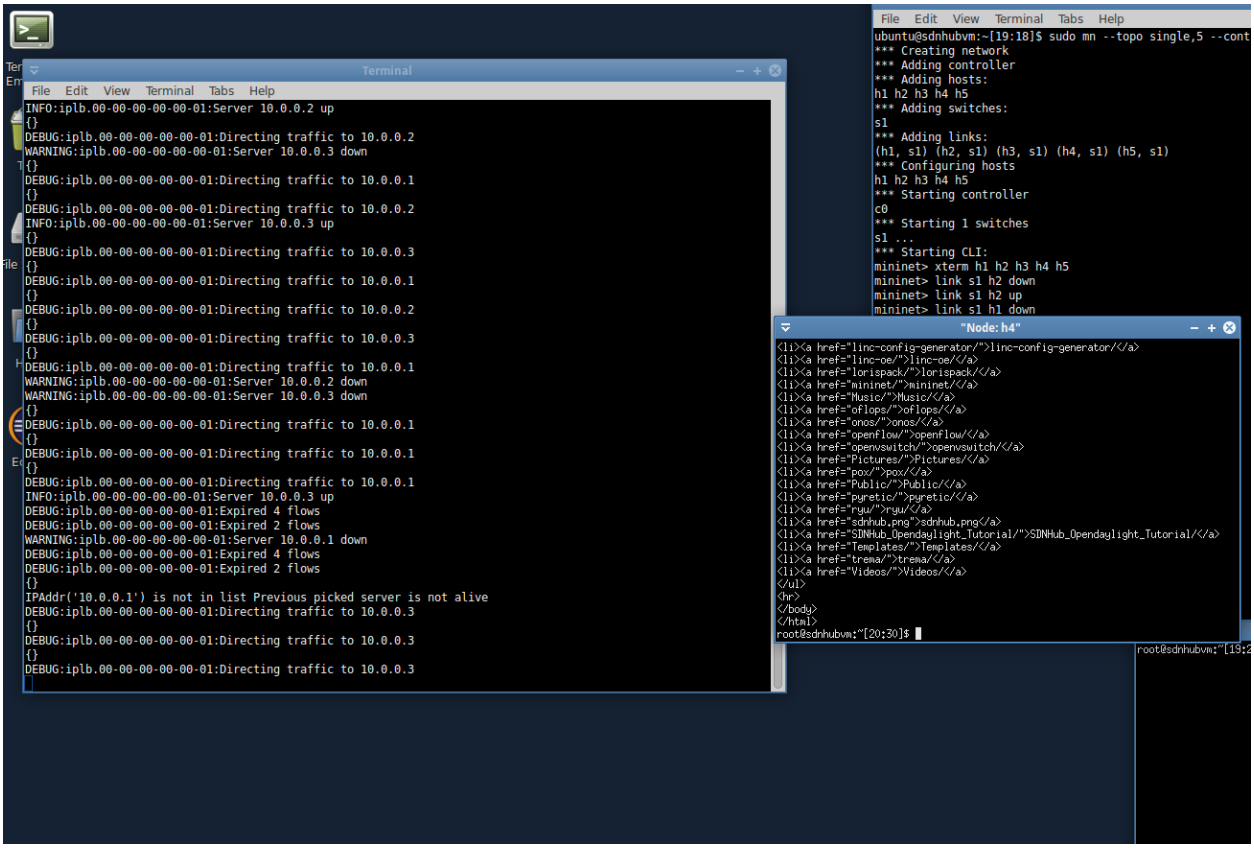


Link to server 2 is down, traffic is directed to Server 3 and server 1.



Link to server 2 and server3 is down. So, the traffic is directed to server 1.




Terminal
File Edit View Terminal Tabs Help
INFO:iplb.00-00-00-00-00-01:Server 10.0.0.2 up
{}
DEBUG:iplb.00-00-00-00-00-01:Directing traffic to 10.0.0.2
WARNING:iplb.00-00-00-00-00-01:Server 10.0.0.3 down
{}
DEBUG:iplb.00-00-00-00-00-01:Directing traffic to 10.0.0.1
{}
DEBUG:iplb.00-00-00-00-00-01:Directing traffic to 10.0.0.2
INFO:iplb.00-00-00-00-00-01:Server 10.0.0.3 up
{}
DEBUG:iplb.00-00-00-00-00-01:Directing traffic to 10.0.0.3
{}
DEBUG:iplb.00-00-00-00-00-01:Directing traffic to 10.0.0.1
{}
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{}
DEBUG:iplb.00-00-00-00-00-01:Directing traffic to 10.0.0.3
{}
DEBUG:iplb.00-00-00-00-00-01:Directing traffic to 10.0.0.1
WARNING:iplb.00-00-00-00-00-01:Server 10.0.0.2 down
WARNING:iplb.00-00-00-00-00-01:Server 10.0.0.3 down
{}
DEBUG:iplb.00-00-00-00-00-01:Directing traffic to 10.0.0.1
{}
DEBUG:iplb.00-00-00-00-00-01:Directing traffic to 10.0.0.1
{}
DEBUG:iplb.00-00-00-00-00-01:Directing traffic to 10.0.0.1
INFO:iplb.00-00-00-00-00-01:Server 10.0.0.3 up
DEBUG:iplb.00-00-00-00-00-01:Expired 4 flows
DEBUG:iplb.00-00-00-00-00-01:Expired 2 flows
WARNING:iplb.00-00-00-00-00-01:Server 10.0.0.1 down
DEBUG:iplb.00-00-00-00-00-01:Expired 4 flows
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{}
IPAddr('10.0.0.1') is not in list Previous picked server is not alive
DEBUG:iplb.00-00-00-00-00-01:Directing traffic to 10.0.0.3
{}
DEBUG:iplb.00-00-00-00-00-01:Directing traffic to 10.0.0.3
{}
DEBUG:iplb.00-00-00-00-00-01:Directing traffic to 10.0.0.3
File Edit View Terminal Tabs Help
ubuntu@sdnhubvm:~[19:18]$ sudo mn --topo single,5 --cont
*** Creating network
*** Adding controller
*** Adding hosts:
h1 h2 h3 h4 h5
*** Adding switches:
s1
*** Adding links:
(h1, s1) (h2, s1) (h3, s1) (h4, s1) (h5, s1)
*** Configuring hosts
h1 h2 h3 h4 h5
*** Starting controller
c0
*** Starting 1 switches
s1 ...
*** Starting CLI:
mininet> xterm h1 h2 h3 h4 h5
mininet> link s1 h2 down
mininet> link s1 h2 up
mininet> link s1 h1 down
"Node: h4"
linc-config-generator/
linc-oe/
lorispack/
mininet/
Music/
oflops/
onos/
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root@sdnhubvm:~[20:30]$