

Lab2

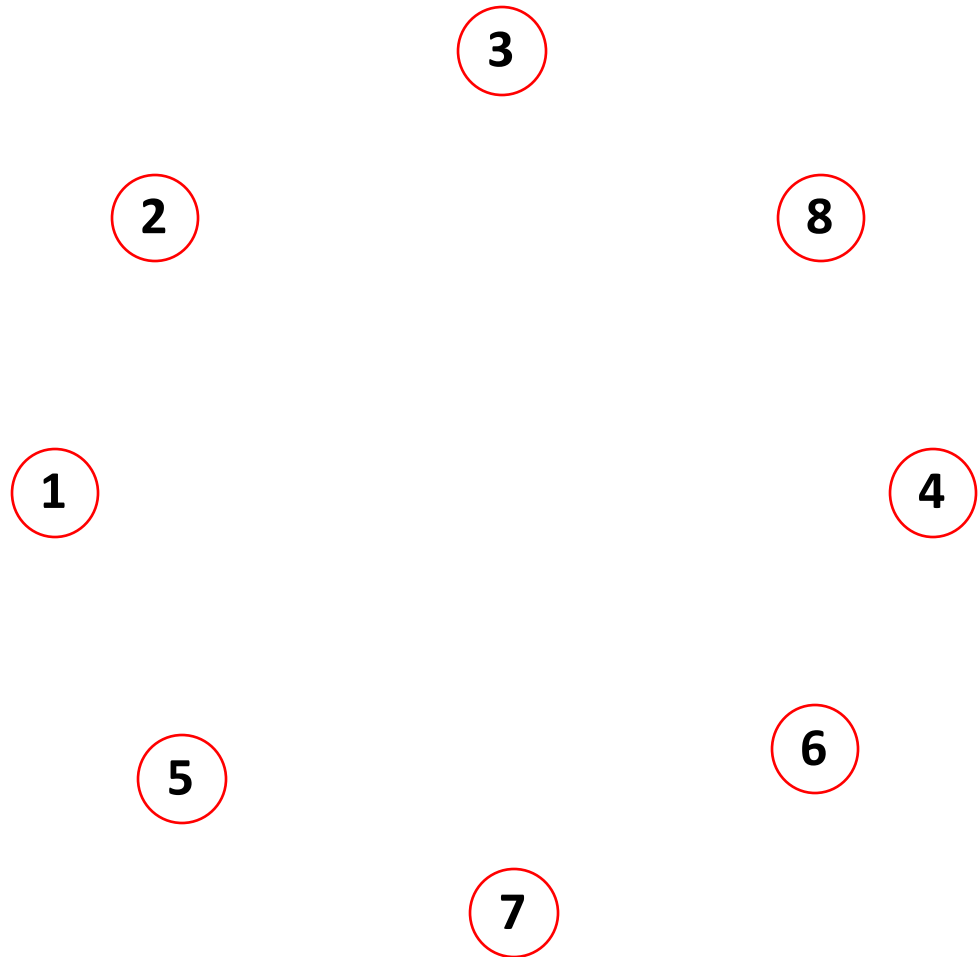
Design & Evaluation

Leader Election

Motivation

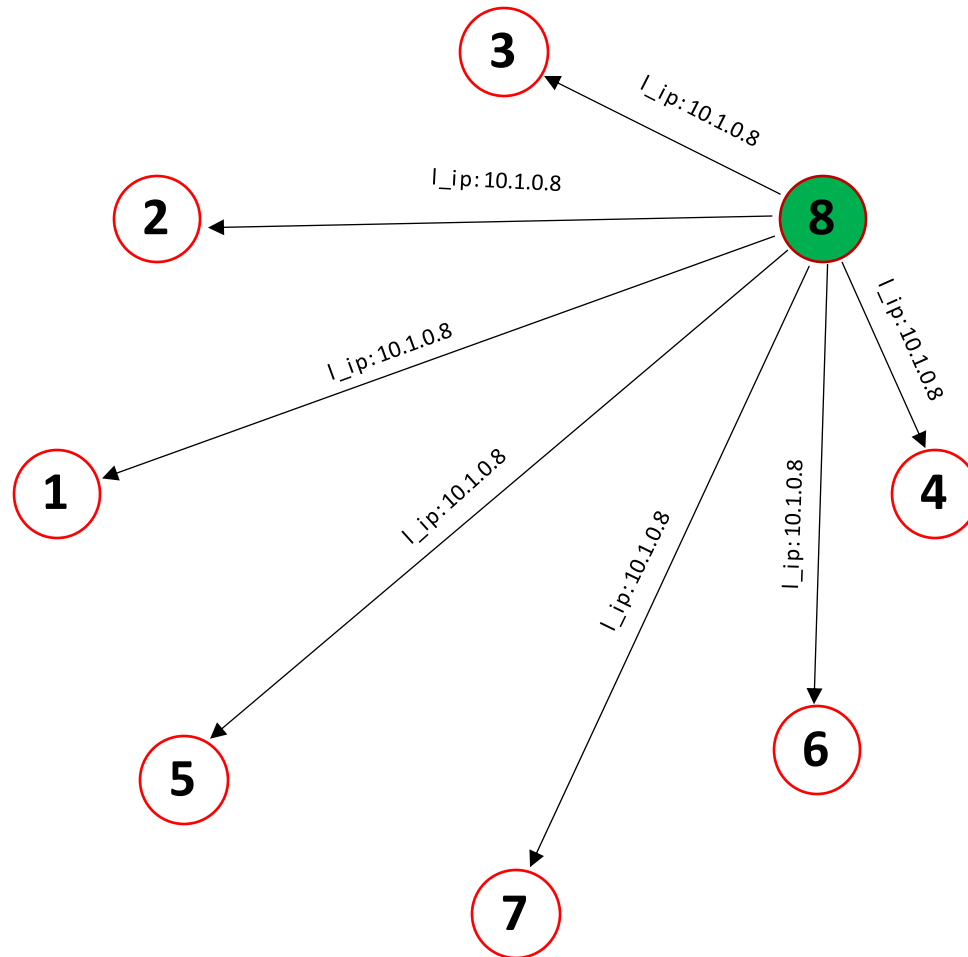
- 'Bully Algorithm' with some modification
- Always targeted last server (i.e., server 8) as coordinator.
- Sequentially, sent election request to the server with highest server ID, If it fails then sent to second highest server ID and so on.
- Leader always handle "add on board" requests
 - Generate new ID with current time stamp
 - Propagate to other servers
- Other servers just forward "add on board" requests to Leader

Design – Leader Election



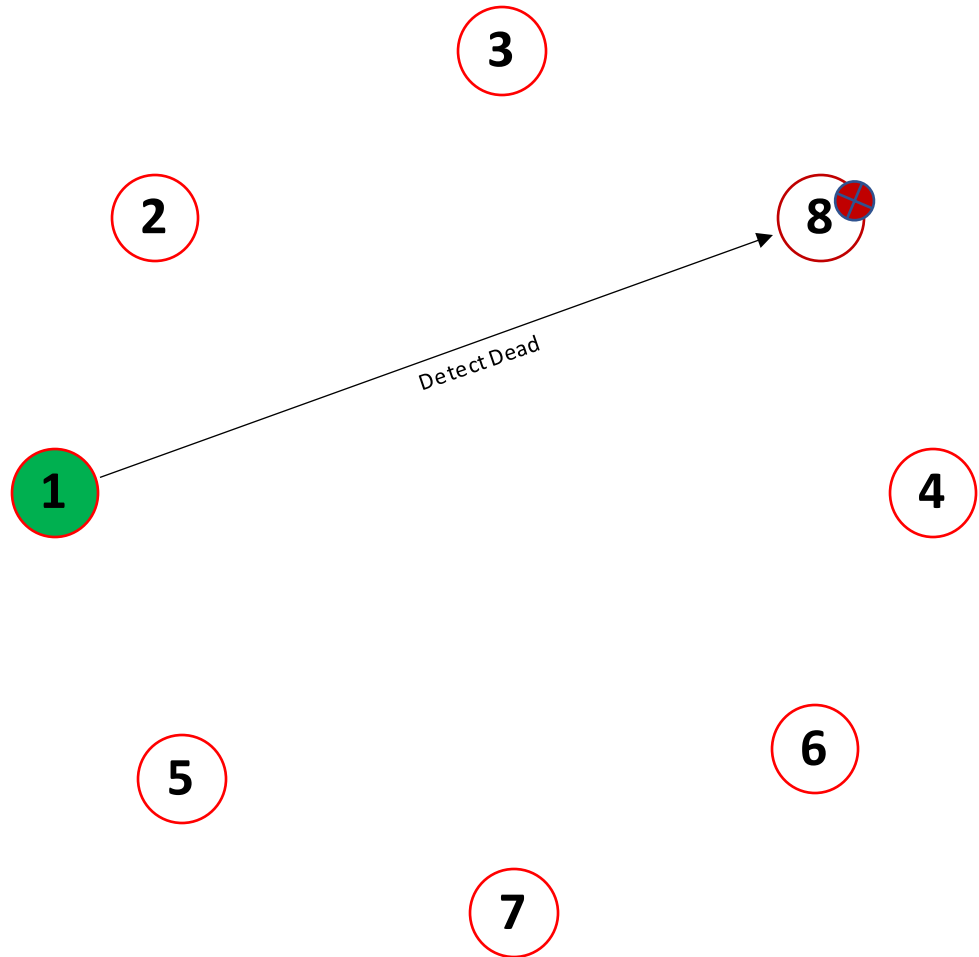
- No Leader

Design - LE (Servers Started)



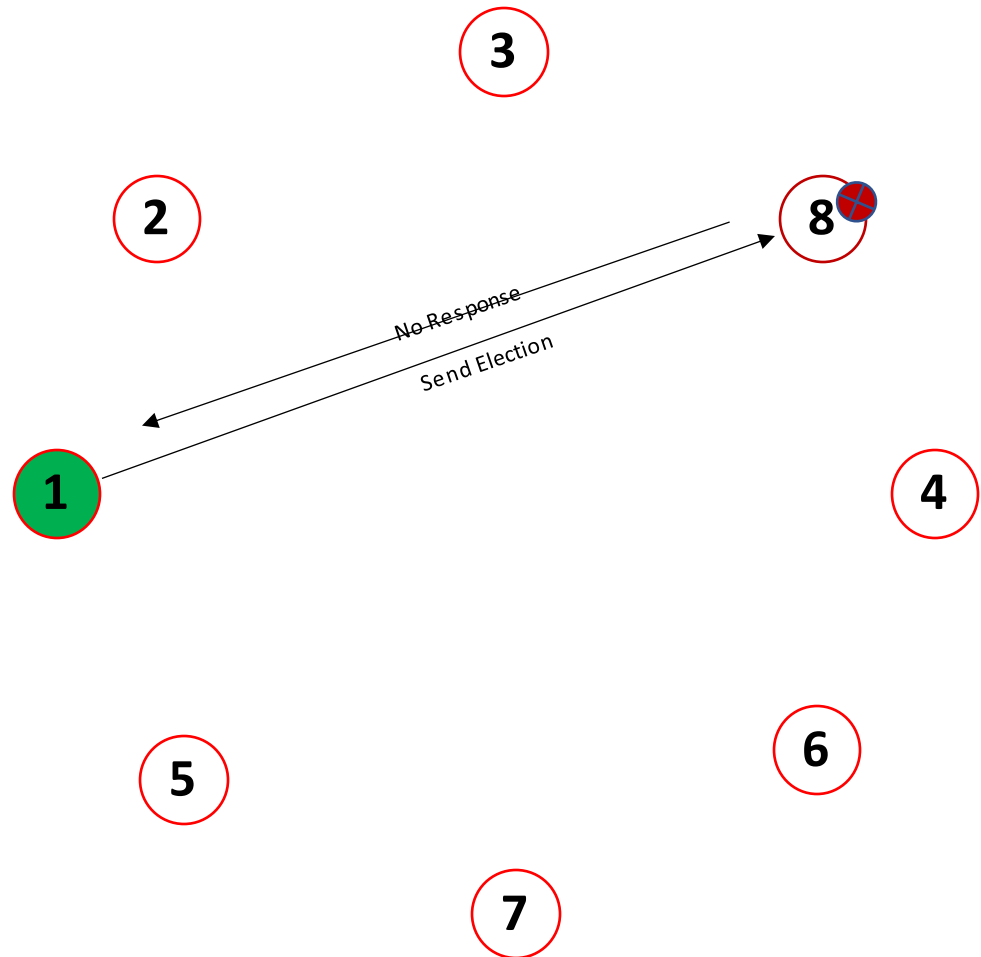
- Servers Started
- Last host (l.e. 8) starts the election
- Check in the host list for highest server_id
- So server 8, Declare itself as "Coordinator"
- And notify other hosts with Leader IP

Design - LE (Server 8 Dead)



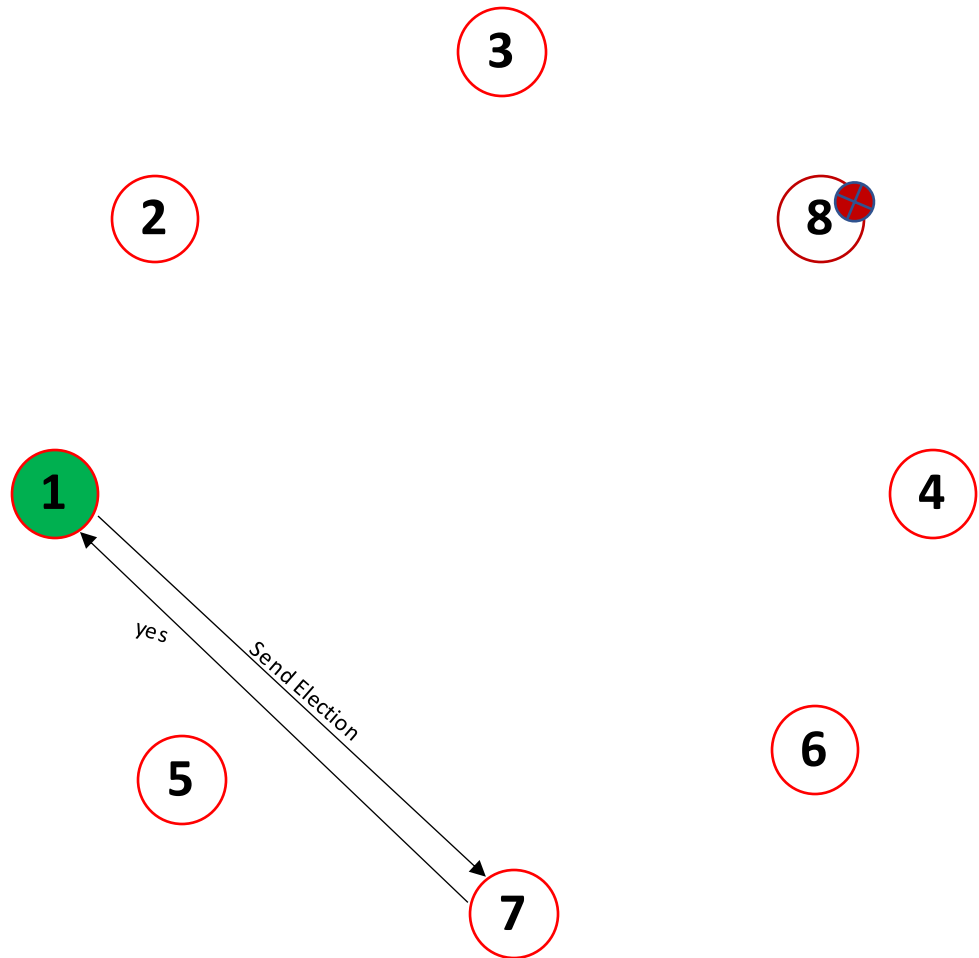
- Server 1 , Detect 8 is dead, While adding a post on board.
- Server 1 , Start Election

Design - LE (Server 8 Dead)



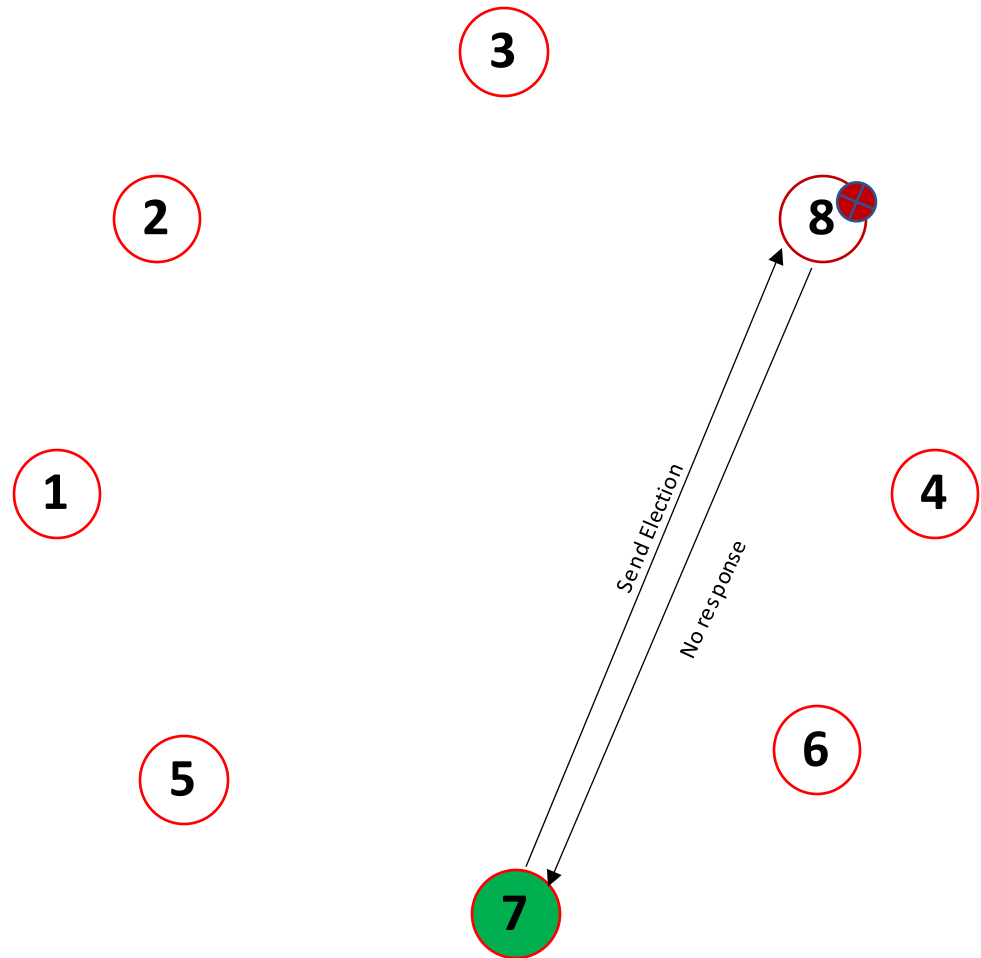
- Server 1 , Send election to 8
- Server 8, no response

Design - LE (Server 8 Dead)



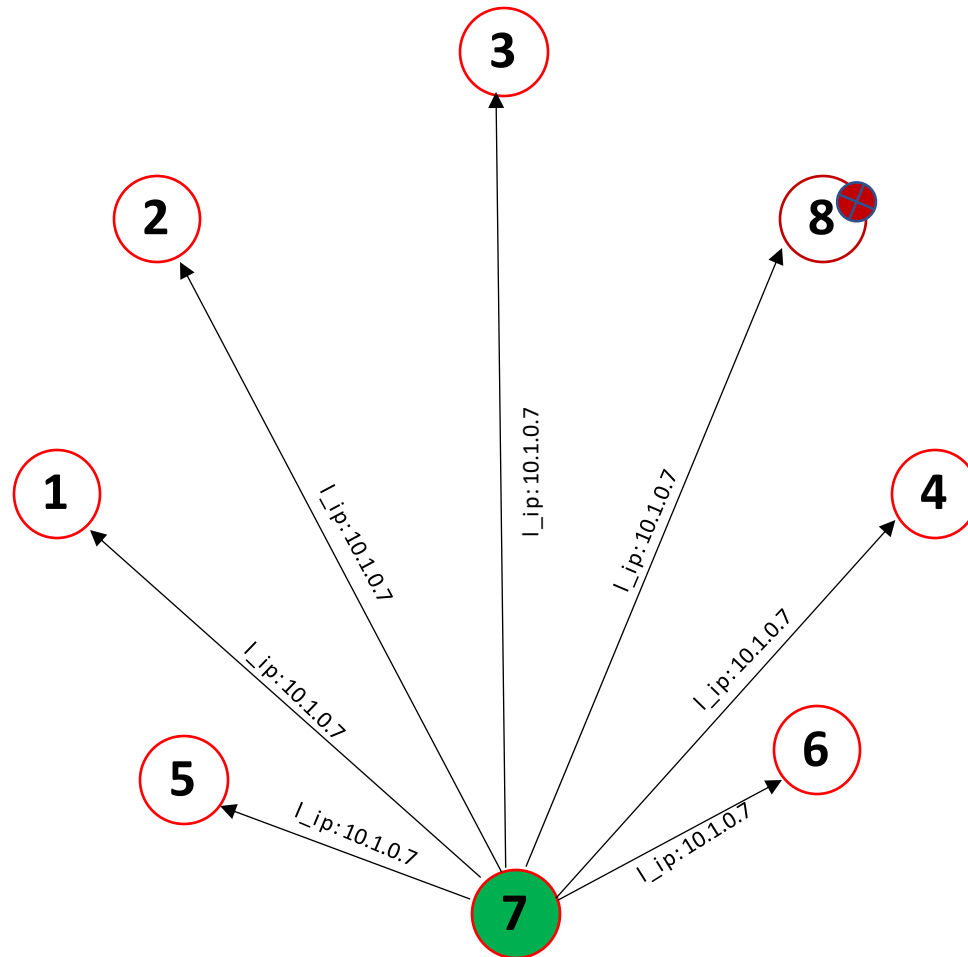
- Server 1 , Send Select to 7
- Server 7 response with "yes"

Design - LE (Server 8 Dead)



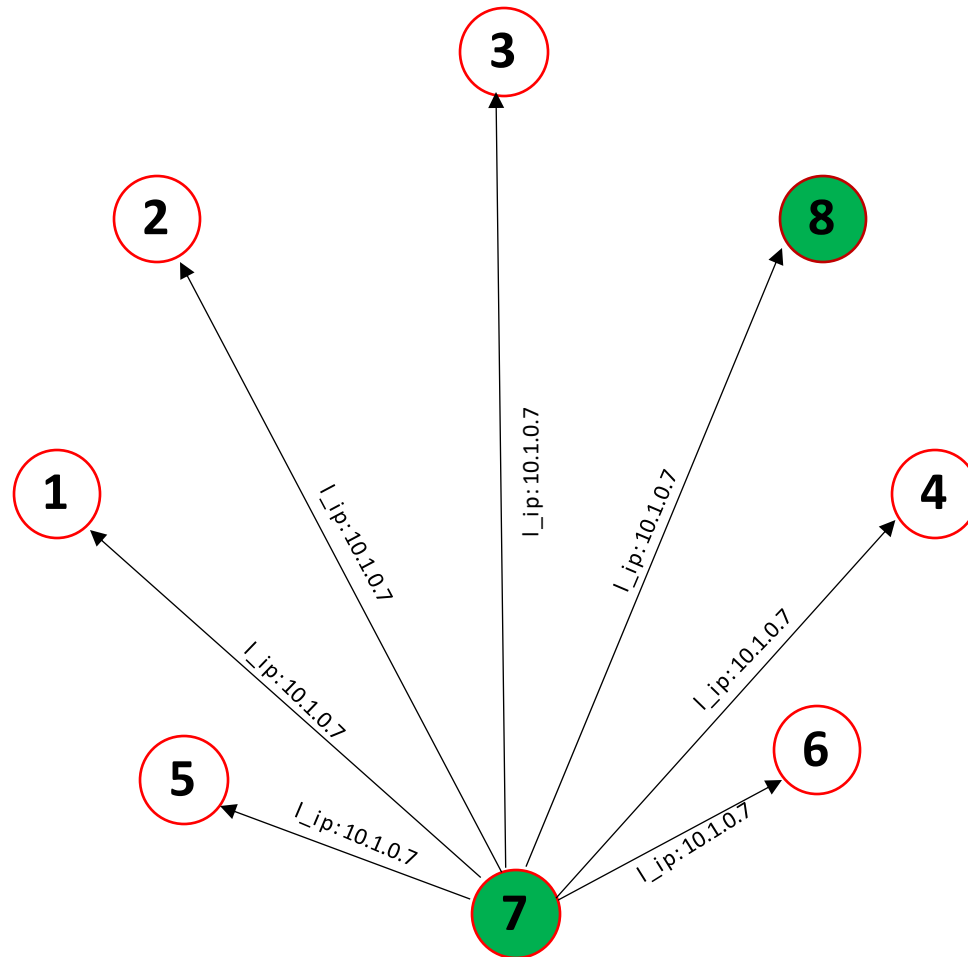
- Server 7 , Start Election
- Send Election to 8
- Server 8 does not respond

Design - LE (Server 8 Dead)



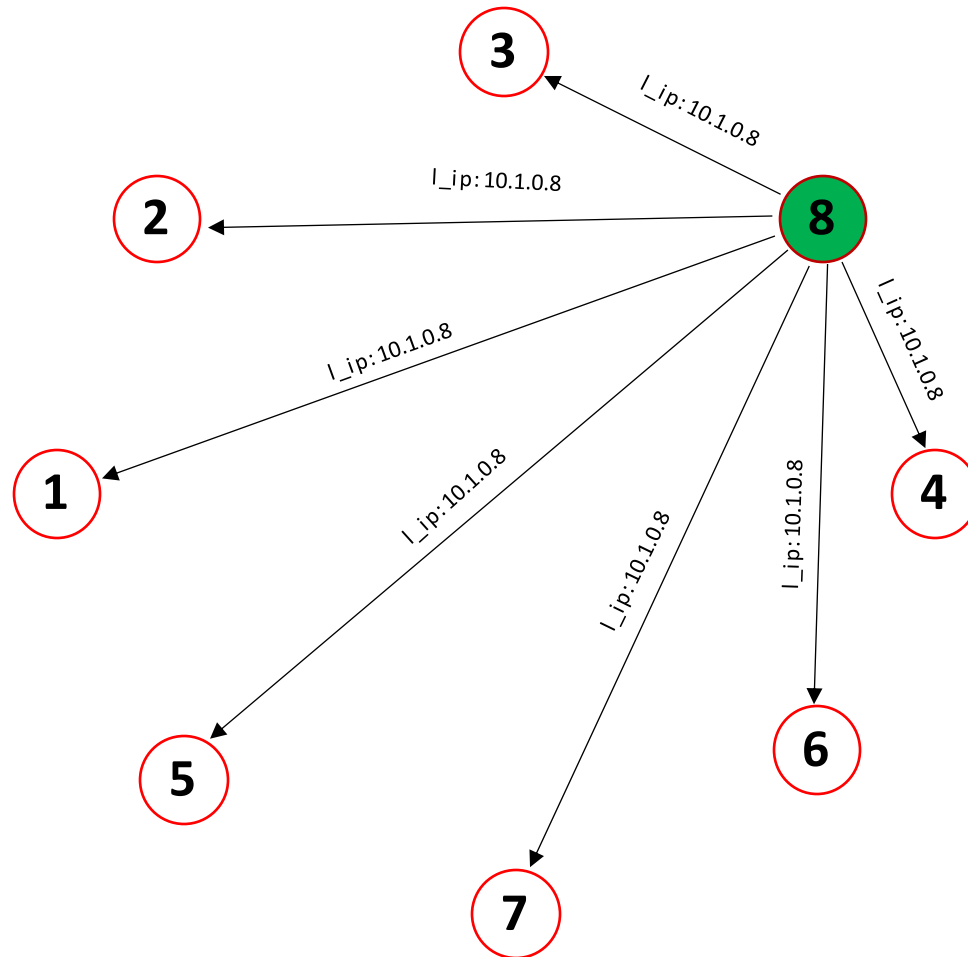
- Server 7 , declare itself as "Coordinator"
- Notify other hosts with its IP that leader changed

Design - LE (Server 8 Rebooted)



- Server 8 Rebooted,
- Start the election after 3 secs
- Check it's ID and declare itself as "Coordinator"
- Notify other servers with its IP

Design - LE (Servers 8 Rebooted)



- Server 7 got new Leader IP
- Reset its leader_ip and stop data processing thread

Evaluation

- Increased consistency
- But coordinator need handle all the requests, single point of failure can make inconsistent data
- Other servers don't know anything about the status (busy or dead) of Leader
- Rebooted leader always need to fetch old data from other servers to maintain consistency
- If volume of data in board is high synchronization will take huge amount of time

Data Propagation & Synchronization

- Leader server has its own data processor thread
- If a message found by "add_on_board" API
- Message is stored inside a temporary "queue" of "DataProcessor" processor thread
- "DataProcessor" thread always check the queue and if any new data found in queue it generate a new key and propagate to all servers.
- Since the key is getting generated from a single server and propagate by the same server data is synchronized

Global Data variables

- leader_ip
- board = dict() # global board

These two global variable we used to store the Leader IP and board content, because we need to access these data from every class of our project.

API : add_on_board

- Receive a new entry
- If entry already have "id", it just store into board.
- If no "id", forward to "coordinator"

API: election

- Start a election

API: leader

- Get modified leader IP (i_ip) forwarded by elected leader
- If host is already a "Coordinator" it stop its "DataProcessor" thread and change its global leader_ip variable

API: modify_delete

- Delete or modify the existing content

API: sync

- Newly elected leader call this API to fetch all stored board data

Changed Files

- `Server.py` : All API
- `data_processor.py` : (Infinity loop Thread) Only works on Leader Server. Process the add on board data and propagate to all other server.
- `leader_election.py` : (Thread) Implemented leader election algorithm
- `server_data.py` : Stored the leader_ip and board informations
- `Test.py` : Implemented test cases
- `Blackboard.tpl` : added server title

Reboot server command

- `python3 server/server.py --id 8 --servers 10.1.0.1,10.1.0.2,10.1.0.3,10.1.0.4,10.1.0.5,10.1.0.6,10.1.0.7,10.1.0.8`

Task 4: Cost LE (#number of server $n = 8$)

Cost will include :

1. Number of election request
2. Number of notify request
3. Synchronization cost = 1 (because we, fetch all the data in single request)

- Best case (all servers running):
 - Number of election request = 1
 - Number of notify request (for notifying leader IP) = $n - 1$
 - So, Cost = $n + 1$ (Synchronization cost)
- Worst Case (Just server 1 running):
 - Number of election request = $n - 1$
 - Number of notify request (for notifying leader IP) = $n - 1$
 - So, Cost = $2n - 2 + 1$ (Synchronization cost)

Task 4: Our LE properties

- Initiation
 - Any process who unable to communicate with current Leader will start the election
 - If multiple server cannot communicate with current Leader then, multiple simultaneous election will start
- Termination
 - All election process will elect the last server_id at the end of election
- Naming
 - All servers know about server_ip and server_id of every other process. But initially any server have no idea about server crashing

So, Our LE algorithm fullfill all properties

Task 4: Cost of Adding message to the board

- Cost for non-leader server to leader = 1
- Cost to propagate = $n-1$
- Final Cost = n

Task 4 : Pros and Cons

- Pros:

1. Easy to Implement
2. Easy to detect dead server

- Cons

1. All requests need to handle by one server, so time consuming
2. If leader dead during execution, Data may loss
3. Only good for less amount of request
4. Bottleneck possible
5. No multiple coordinator possible
6. Other servers cannot detect that leader too much busy now