

Denial-of-Service Open Threat Signaling (DOTS) Server Discovery

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Status

- A Call for adoption was issued
 - Fair support
 - Still waiting for the official chairs' conclusion
- Points for further discussion:
 - Do we need all the four discovery methods?
 - Clarify the overall model

Point#1: Remove Some Discovery Mechanisms

- We went there in the past:
 - A rationale is discussed in (Why Multiple Discovery Mechanisms?) [draft-boucadair-dots-server-discovery-05#section-4](#)
 - A unified discovery mechanism to prioritize the 4 mechanisms is specified
 - Still...this comment is a fair one
- Candidate methods to be abandoned
 - Anycast: given the complications that may arise in the multi-homing scenario, in particular
 - mDNS

Point#2: Clarify the Model

- The I-D separates server's discovery vs. credential provisioning & authentication
 - Credentials provisioning is done before discovering where to find the DOTS servers
 - Some text is needed to further clarify the rationale
- Triggers for running the discovery procedure are missing?
 - Some are inherent to the protocol (e.g., DHCP)
 - Others will require NEW text to clarify the behavior:
 - Address change? New network attachment? Certificate expiry? Etc.

How To Progress?

- Wait for the conclusion of the WG CFA
- Then, start updating the I-D to record the WG consensus on the various points:
 - Shortened list of discovery mechanisms
 - Elaborate/re-structure authentication considerations
 - Triggers for executing the discovery procedure
- Address any further comments from the WG, as usual