Controlling Secure Network Enrollment in RPL Networks

draft-ietf-roll-enrollment-priority-04

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This document describes an RPL DIO option that can be used to announce a minimum enrollment priority. Each potential _Join Proxy_would this value as a base on which to add values relating to local conditions. As explained in [I-D.ietf-6tisch-enrollment-enhanced-beacon], higher values decrease the likelyhood of an unenrolled node sending enrollment traffic via this path.

This document describes a RPL DIO option that can be used to announce a minimum enrollment priority. The minimum priority expresses the (lack of) willingness by the RPL DODAG globally to accept new joins. It may derive from multiple constaining factors, e.g., the size of the DODAG, the occupancy of the bandwidth at the Root, the memory capacity at the DODAG Root, or an administrative decision.

Each potential _Join Proxy_ would this value as a base on which to add values relating to local conditions such as its Rank and number of pending joins, which would degrade even further the willingness to take more joins.

When a RPL domain is composed of multiple DODAGs, nodes at the edge of 2 DODAGs may not only join either DODAG but also move from one to the other in order to keep their relative sizes balanced. For this, the approximate knowledge of size of the DODAG is an essential metric. Depending on the network policy, the size of the DODAG may or may not affect the minimum enrollment priority. It would be limiting its value to enforce that one is proportional to the other. This is why the current size of the DODAG is advertised separately in the new option.

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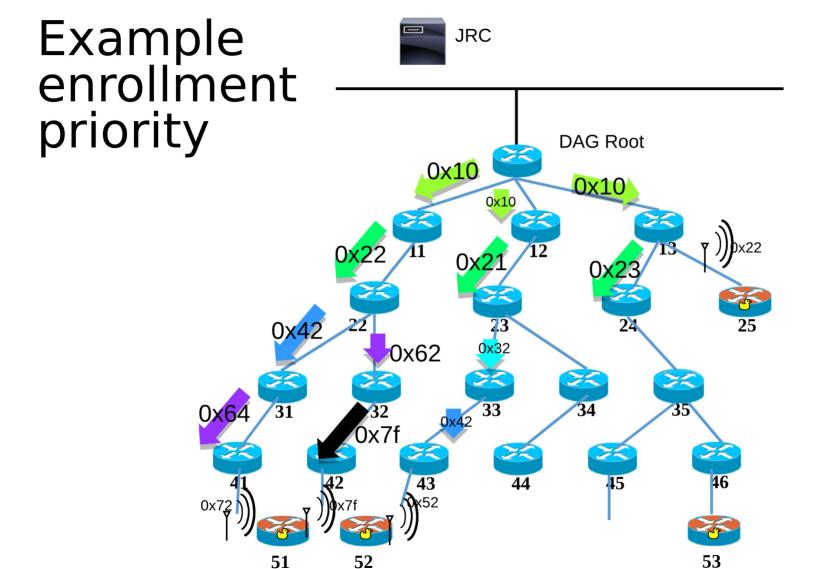
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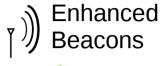
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base diagram from PThubert

