

# ALTO Deployment Considerations

**draft-stiemerling-alto-deployments-02**  
**draft-stiemerling-alto-load-reduction-00**

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# Goal of Drafts

draft-ietf-alto-protocol defines the ALTO protocol

- does not discuss deployments issues
- not part of it

already a number of use cases discussed

- P2P file sharing
- P2P video streaming
- locating requestor for CDNs

different use case will need different settings/contstraints of ALTO, e.g.:

- P2P file sharing: get closest peer with content
- P2P video streaming: get peers with at least x kbit/s upload (lower bound)

**document these in a separate draft**

# Two Drafts...

## draft-stiemerling-alto-deployments-02

- ALTO server deployments
- ALTO client deployments
- tbd: informational API between application & ALTO client
- initial security considerations
- not discussed ALTO use case

## draft-stiemerling-alto-load-reduction-00

- ALTO ranking services can face load issues on server
- also true for ALTO H12 service
- discusses this
- intended to be merged into deployments draft later on





# Problem Space

## P2P operations after an epoch:

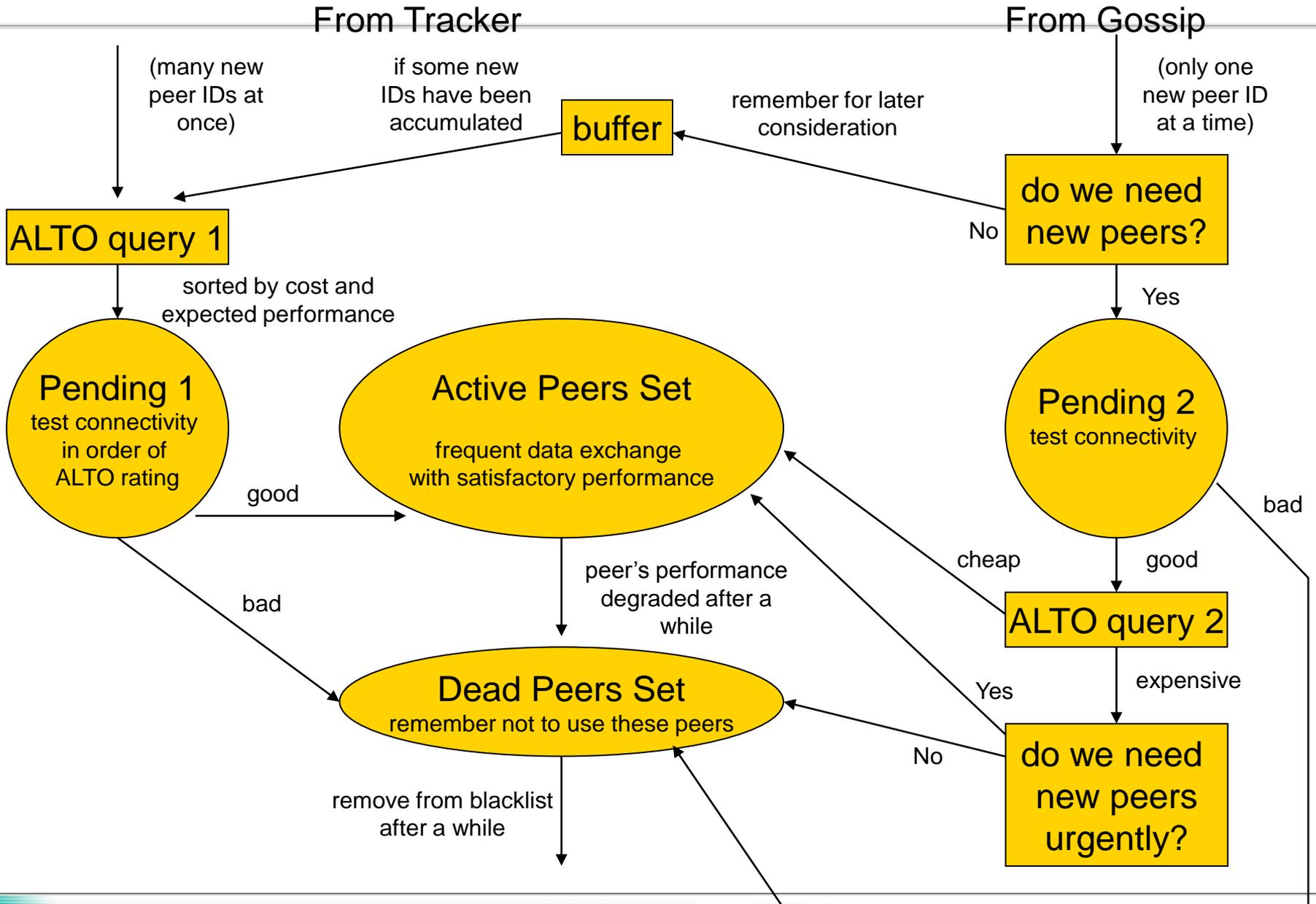
- The peer obtains the set of new peers and adds them to its candidate set (either via a resource directory (tracker) or via a peer exchange protocol);
- **The peer queries the ALTO server with the candidate set;**
- The peer takes peers preferred by the ALTO server out of its candidate sets and starts data exchange with them;
- The peer moves a candidate peer to the active set, if the peers has the data of interest and if the peer delivers sufficient throughput (typically above a certain threshold);
- The peer moves a candidate peer to the dead set of drops immediately if the data of interest is not available or if the throughput is below a certain threshold.

Typical epoch value is 30 seconds

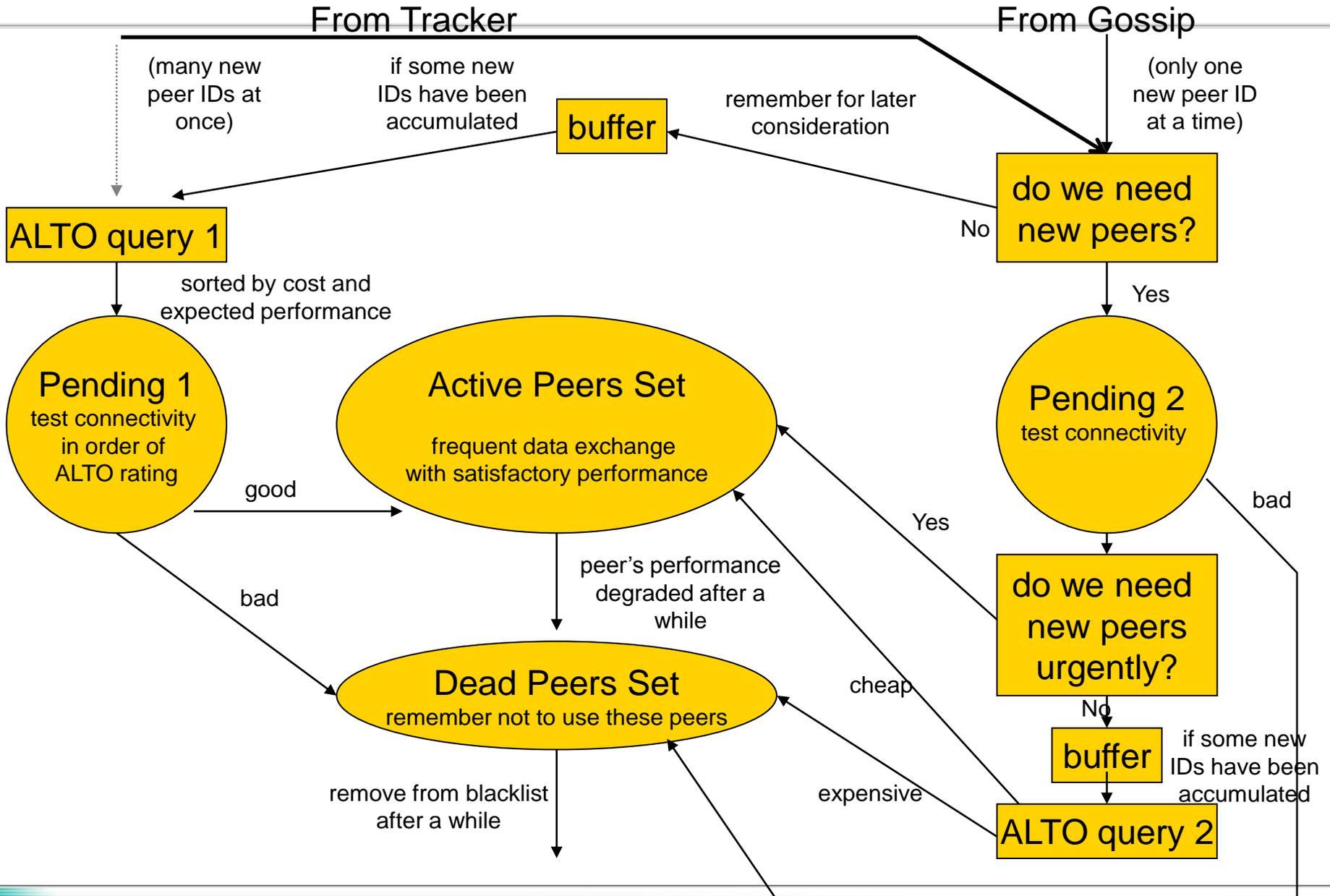
ALTO server queried every 30 seconds by numerous peers

Might lead to performance issues

# Peer state sets and transitions



# Using track 2 for candidate peers learned from the tracker



# Conclusions

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Two drafts discussing deployment issues

- first versions
- will evolve in the next few weeks

Probably nothing new for some folks

- but you're not alone
- other people in 2 years still need to understand

Does the WG see this to be important?

Shall this become a WG item?

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