Reactive Discovery of Point-to-Point Routes in Low Power and Lossy Networks

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Basic RPL Characteristics

- Basic RPL maintains routes "proactively"
 - destinations in the DAG must originate a DAO.

- Basic RPL routes only along a DAG
 - potentially leads to very suboptimal P2P routes, traffic congestion near the DAG root.

P2P: Desired Scenarios

- Source-initiated, on demand discovery of routes without constraints regarding existing DAG(s)
 - source-routes or hop-by-hop
 - discovery of one or more "good-enough" routes
- Measure end-to-end cost of existing routes
 - routes may be along-DAG or P2P
 - to be proposed in a separate document

RPL Extension for P2P Routing

Reactive route discovery

Use of DIO as Discovery message

Creation of scoped, temporary DAGs for route discovery

RPL Extension for P2P Routing

 Use of good enough criteria for route discovery (OCP, metric containers)

 Option to use a subset of good enough criteria to limit the growth of the temporary DAG

 Multiple options for Discovery Reply to travel back towards the origin router

DIO as Discovery Request

Discovery = DIO message option
 + temporary DAG (+ route record)

- Normal DIO propagation scope, generation
 - Outwards, link-local, trickle...

Stricter scoping with good enough criteria

DRO as Discovery Reply

Travels back to the request originator

 Along discovered path if hop-by-hop state needs to be installed by reply

— Any way otherwise: DAG, source route w. type 4 IP routing header, hop-by-hop, Fedex?