Diffserv Recommendations for LLN class of traffic

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Brief on LLN

- LLN Low Power and Lossy Networks (aka M2M, IoT)
- Examples Industrial automation, Home automation, Building automation, Urban automation etc
- Growing in large numbers
- Including with a requirement of traffic over IP back bone, over converged campus network



Motivation

- RFC4594 has well documented recommendation for traditional class of traffic (eg. Media-oriented traffic)
- RFC is not clear for LLN class of traffic
- Categorize LLN Traffic Classes
- Taking 4594 as a reference, define explicit recommendations for LLN traffic classes

Scope

- Traffic from LLN Border towards IP Backbone, converged campus network
- Source nodes (or application gateways) to mark appropriate dscp code-point
- Traffic in the Reverse direction

 Due to physical constraints and unique characteristics, LL Networks themselves may require other considerations for perhop forwarding/behavior

LLN Traffic Classes

| Traffic | Traffic Class Characteristics | Tolerance to | | |
|---|---|--------------|------------------|--------|
| Class Name | | Loss | Delay | Jitter |
| Alerts/alarms | Packet size = small, Rate = typically 1-few packets Short lived flow, Burst = not bursty | Low | Low | N/A |
| Control Signals | Packet size = variable, typically small, Rate = few packets Short lived flow, Burst = none to some-what | Low | Low | Yes |
| Low latency closed-loop control signals | Packet size = variable, typically small, Rate = few packets Short lived flow, Burst = none to some-what Latency/Jitter sensitive | Low | Very Low | Low |
| Video monitoring/feed | Packet size = big, Rate = variable Long lived flow, Burst = non-bursty | Low | Low – Medium | Low |
| Query-based data | Packet size = variable, Rate = variable Short lived elastic flow, Burst = bursty | Low | Medium | Yes |
| Periodic reporting/log, Software downloads | Variable packet size, rate burst | Yes | Medium - High | Yes |

Proposed Recommendation

| - | Alert Signals | CS5 |
|---|-------------------|-----|
| - | Control Signaling | CS5 |

(only for latency sensitive?

or for all important ones to distinguish it as a different service class?)

- Low latency closed-loop control-signals EF ?

(incl. jitter sensitive)

- Video broadcast/feed CS3
- Query-based data AF2x
- Assured monitoring data (high throughput) AF1x
- Best effort monitoring, periodic reporting BE

Deployment scenario (Industrial Automation)

Safety

- Class 0: Emergency action : It is expected to use other tightly managed method outside of IP networks

Control

| - | Class 1: Closed-loop regulatory control | EF | | | |
|------------|---|---------|--|--|--|
| - | Class 2: Closed-loop supervisory control | CS5 | | | |
| - | Class 3: Open-loop control | CS5 | | | |
| Monitoring | | | | | |
| - | Class 4: Alerting - Short-term operational effect | AF2x | | | |
| - | Class 5: Logging and downloading /uploading | AF1x/BE | | | |

Next Steps

Questions?