

# **Autonomic IPv6 Edge Prefix Management in Large-scale Networks**

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# Overview

- This is a chartered work item to validate the application and reusability of Anima components.
- If a prefix manager ASA needs more address space:
  - It discovers peers by GRASP Discovery message for the **PrefixManager** objective .
  - Then negotiates with a discovered peer for the needed address space using GRASP messages.
- In a single administrative domain, the network operator floods the **PrefixManager.Params** objective to announce default parameters.

# Main Changes in 02 and 03 drafts

- Replaced Intent discussion by the **PrefixManager.Params** objective
- Small syntax correction to objective format

# GRASP objectives (1)

in CDDL notation

```
objective = ["PrefixManager", objective-flags,  
            loop-count, [PD-support, length, ?prefix]]  
  
loop-count = 0..255           ; see GRASP spec  
  
objective-flags /=           ; see GRASP spec  
  
PD-support = true / false    ; indicates if sender  
                             supports PD  
  
length = 0..128              ; requested/offered  
                             prefix length  
  
prefix = bytes .size 16      ; offered prefix in  
                             binary
```

# GRASP objectives (2)

in CDDL notation

```
objective = ["PrefixManager.Params",  
            objective-flags, any]
```

```
loop-count = 0..255 ; see GRASP spec
```

```
objective-flags /= ; see GRASP spec
```

```
; The 'any' object would be the relevant  
parameter values (format TBD)
```

# Example parameters

JSON:

```
[  
  [ "role", "RSG" ], [ "prefix_length", 34 ] ],  
  [ "role", "ASG" ], [ "prefix_length", 44 ] ],  
  [ "role", "CSG" ], [ "prefix_length", 56 ] ]
```

An alternative would be to express the parameters in YANG using the YANG-to-CBOR mapping.

# Next Steps

- Python “toy” prototype of this ASA exists (can negotiate prefixes as server or client, but does no real prefix assignments)  
<https://www.cs.auckland.ac.nz/~brian/graspy/pfxm1.py>
- Hackathon: Verbal report
- Need a volunteer to write a real prototype
- Ready for WGLC?