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1. Overview

1.1 Scope

This standard specifies protocols, procedures, and managed objects for a Link-local Registration Protocol (LRP) to replicate a registration database from one end to the other of a point-to-point link and to replicate changes to parts of that database. A facility is provided to purge the replicated database if the source becomes unresponsive. Provision is made for a proxy system to operate LRP on behalf of a controlled system. LRP is optimized for databases on the order of 1 Mbyte.

1.2 Purpose

LRP is designed to facilitate the creation of applications that distribute information through all or part of a network.

1.3 State diagram conventions

This document uses the state diagram conventions defined in Annex E of IEEE Std 802.1Q-2018.¹ The programming language C (ISO/IEC 9899:2018) is also used to document the operation of conformant systems. C functions are distinguished with `this special fixed-width font` (e.g., 9.4.6).

1.4 Specification model

The model of operation documented by this standard is simply a basis for describing the functionality of a compliant equipment. Implementations can adopt any internal model of operation compatible with the externally visible behavior that this standard specifies. Conformance of equipment to this standard is purely in respect of observable protocol.

¹ Information on references can be found in Clause 2.