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Abstract

This memo defines a portion of the Management Information Base (MIB) for use with network management protocols in the Internet community. In particular, it describes common managed objects used by other MIB modules which are designed for monitoring and/or configuring both Layer 2 and Layer 3 Virtual Private Networks (VPN) that support multicast.

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## [1.](#) Introduction

[RFC7117] and [[RFC6513](#)] specify procedures for supporting multicast in Border Gateway Protocol/MultiProtocol Label Switching (BGP/MPLS) Layer 2 (L2) and Layer 3 (L3) VPN (Virtual Private Network), respectively.

Multicast service in BGP/MPLS L2 and L3 VPN can be achieved by using various kinds of transport mechanism for forwarding a packet to all or a subset of Provider Edge routers (PEs) across service provider networks. Such transport mechanisms are referred to as provider tunnels (P-tunnels).

The signaling of P-tunnel choice is very similar for multicast in both L2 and L3 VPNs. [[RFC7117](#)] and [[RFC6513](#)] describe BGP-based mechanisms for Virtual Private LAN Service (VPLS) and Multicast VPN (MVPN), respectively. [[RFC6514](#)] defines the Provider Multicast Service Interface (PMSI) tunnel attribute, a BGP attribute that specifies information of a P-tunnel. The PMSI tunnel attribute is advertised/received by PEs in BGP auto-discovery (A-D) routes. [[RFC6513](#)] also proposes a UDP-based signaling mechanism.

This document defines a textual conventions (TC) that can be used to represent types of P-tunnels used for multicast in BGP/MPLS L2 or L3 VPN within MIB module specifications.

This document also describes common managed objects used by other MIB modules which are designed for monitoring and/or configuring both L2 and L3 VPN that support multicast.



The key words "MUST", "MUST NOT", "REQUIRED", "SHALL", "SHALL NOT", "SHOULD", "SHOULD NOT", "RECOMMENDED", "MAY", and "OPTIONAL" in this document are to be interpreted as described in [[RFC2119](#)].

### **1.1. Terminology**

This document adopts the definitions, acronyms and mechanisms described in [[RFC6513](#)] [[RFC6514](#)] [[RFC7117](#)] and other documents that they refer to. Familiarity with Multicast, MPLS, L3 VPN, MVPN (Multicast VPN) concepts and/or mechanisms is assumed. Some terms specifically related to this document are explained below.

The term "Multicast VPN (MVPN)" [[RFC6513](#)] refers to a BGP/MPLS L3 (IP) VPN service that supports multicast.

"Provider Multicast Service Interface (PMSI)" [[RFC6513](#)] is a conceptual interface instantiated by a P-tunnel, a transport mechanism used to deliver multicast traffic. A PE uses to send customer multicast traffic to all or some PEs in the same VPN.

There are two kinds of PMSI: "Inclusive PMSI (I-PMSI)" and "Selective PMSI (S-PMSI)" [[RFC6513](#)]. An I-PMSI is a PMSI that enables a PE attached to a particular MVPN to transmit a message to all PEs in the same VPN. An S-PMSI is a PMSI that enables a PE attached to a particular MVPN to transmit a message to some of the PEs in the same VPN.

Throughout this document, we will use the term "I/S-PMSI" to refer both "I-PMSI" and "S-PMSI".

[[RFC6513](#)] describes following tunnel setup techniques that can be used to create the P-tunnels that instantiate the PMSIs.

- o Protocol Independent Multicast tree
  - \* Sparse Mode (PIM-SM) tree [[RFC4601](#)]
  - \* Source Specific Multicast (PIM-SSM) tree [[RFC4601](#)]
  - \* Bidirectional Protocol Independent Multicast (BIDIR-PIM) tree [[RFC5015](#)]
- o Label Distribution Protocol Extension for Multipoint Label Switched Paths (mLDP) [[RFC6388](#)]
  - \* Point-to-MultiPoint (mLDP P2MP)
  - \* Point-to-MultiPoint (mLDP MP2MP)



- o Resource Reservation Protocol - Traffic Engineering Point-to-Multipoint (RSVP-TE P2MP) Label Switched Path [[RFC4875](#)]
- o Ingress Replication through Unicast Tunnels [[RFC6513](#)]

A created tunnel will be identified by Tunnel Identifier. The length of the identifier differs depending on the setup technique that is used to create the tunnel.

## **2. The Internet-Standard Management Framework**

For a detailed overview of the documents that describe the current Internet-Standard Management Framework, please refer to [section 7 of RFC 3410](#) [[RFC3410](#)].

Managed objects are accessed via a virtual information store, termed the Management Information Base or MIB. MIB objects are generally accessed through the Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP). Objects in the MIB are defined using the mechanisms defined in the Structure of Management Information (SMI). This memo specifies a MIB module that is compliant to the SMIV2, which is described in STD 58, [RFC 2578](#) [[RFC2578](#)], STD 58, [RFC 2579](#) [[RFC2579](#)] and STD 58, [RFC 2580](#) [[RFC2580](#)].

## **3. Summary of MIB Module**

This document defines two MIB modules: L2L3-VPN-MCAST-TC-MIB and L2L3-VPN-MCAST-MIB.

- o L2L3-VPN-MCAST-TC-MIB contains a Textual Convention L2L3VpnMcastProviderTunnelType that provides an enumeration of the provider tunnel types.
- o L2L3-VPN-MCAST-MIB defines a table l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelAttributeTable. An entry of this table corresponds with a PMSI Tunnel Attribute (PTA) advertised/received by PE routers. The entry of the table will be used by other MIB modules which are designed for monitoring and/or configuring both L2 and L3 VPN that support multicast. The table index is composed of multiple attributes that depend on the tunnel type and uniquely identify a tunnel. The table may also be used in conjunction with other MIBs, such as MPLS Traffic Engineering MIB (MPLS-TE-STD-MIB) [[RFC3812](#)], to obtain the other details of a tunnel by following the row pointer of the corresponding tunnel's row in this table. It may also be used in conjunction with Interfaces Group MIB (IF-MIB) [[RFC2863](#)] to obtain the other details of a corresponding interface that



tunnel uses by following the row pointer of the corresponding tunnel's row in this table.

## 4. Definitions

### 4.1. L2L3-VPN-MCAST-TC-MIB Object Definitions

L2L3-VPN-MCAST-TC-MIB DEFINITIONS ::= BEGIN

IMPORTS

MODULE-IDENTITY, mib-2

FROM SNMPv2-SMI -- [[RFC2578](#)]

TEXTUAL-CONVENTION

FROM SNMPv2-TC; -- [[RFC2579](#)]

l2L3VpnMcastTCMIB MODULE-IDENTITY

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DESCRIPTION

"This MIB module contains textual conventions for  
Border Gateway Protocol/MultiProtocol Label  
Switching (BGP/MPLS) Layer 2 (L2) and Layer 3  
(L3) VPN (Virtual Private Network).  
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DESCRIPTION

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::= { mib-2 AAAA }

-- IANA Reg.: Please assign a value for "AAAA" under the
-- 'mib-2' subtree and record the assignment in the SMI
-- Numbers registry.

-- RFC Ed.: When the above assignment has been made, please
-- remove the above note
-- replace "AAAA" here with the assigned value and
-- remove this note.

-- Textual convention

L2L3VpnMcastProviderTunnelType ::= TEXTUAL-CONVENTION
    STATUS          current
    DESCRIPTION
        "Types of provider tunnels used for multicast in
        BGP/MPLS L2 or L3 VPN."
    REFERENCE
        "RFC6514, Section 5"
    SYNTAX           INTEGER
        { noTunnelId          (0), -- No tunnel information present
          rsvpP2mp             (1), -- RSVP-TE P2MP LSP
          ldpP2mp              (2), -- mLDP P2MP LSP
          pimSsm               (3), -- PIM-SSM Tree
          pimAsm               (4), -- PIM-SM Tree
          pimBidir             (5), -- BIDIR-PIM Tree
          ingressReplication   (6), -- Ingress Replication
          ldpMp2mp             (7)  -- mLDP MP2MP LSP
        }

END

```

#### **[4.2.](#) L2L3-VPN-MCAST-MIB Object Definitions**

```

L2L3-VPN-MCAST-MIB DEFINITIONS ::= BEGIN

IMPORTS
    MODULE-IDENTITY, OBJECT-TYPE, mib-2
        FROM SNMPv2-SMI
        -- [RFC2578]

    MODULE-COMPLIANCE, OBJECT-GROUP
        FROM SNMPv2-CONF
        -- [RFC2580]

    RowPointer
        FROM SNMPv2-TC
        -- [RFC2579]

```



MplsLabel

FROM MPLS-TC-STD-MIB

-- [[RFC3811](#)]

L2L3VpnMcastProviderTunnelType

FROM L2L3-VPN-MCAST-TC-MIB;

l2L3VpnMcastMIB MODULE-IDENTITY

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DESCRIPTION

"This MIB module will be used by other MIB modules designed for  
managing multicast in Layer 2 (L2) VPNs [[RFC7117](#)] and  
Layer 3 (L3) VPNs [[RFC6513](#)], [[RFC6514](#)].  
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DESCRIPTION

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::= { mib-2 BBBB }

-- IANA Reg.: Please assign a value for "BBBB" under the  
-- 'mib-2' subtree and record the assignment in the SMI  
-- Numbers registry.

-- RFC Ed.: When the above assignment has been made, please  
-- remove the above note  
-- replace "BBBB" here with the assigned value and



```
-- remove this note.

-- Top level components of this MIB.
l2L3VpnMcastObjects      OBJECT IDENTIFIER
                          ::= { l2L3VpnMcastMIB 1 }
l2L3VpnMcastStates       OBJECT IDENTIFIER
                          ::= { l2L3VpnMcastObjects 1 }
l2L3VpnMcastConformance OBJECT IDENTIFIER
                          ::= { l2L3VpnMcastMIB 2 }

-- tables, scalars, conformance information
-- Table of PMSI Tunnel Attributes

l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelAttributeTable OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      SEQUENCE OF L2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelAttributeEntry
    MAX-ACCESS   not-accessible
    STATUS       current
    DESCRIPTION
        "An entry of this table corresponds with a
        PMSI Tunnel attribute and is created by a PE router
        that advertises and receives the attribute.
        The entry in the table will be referred by other MIB modules
        which are designed for monitoring and/or configuring
        both L2 and L3 VPN that support multicast."
    REFERENCE
        "RFC6514, Section 5"
    ::= { l2L3VpnMcastStates 1 }

l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelAttributeEntry OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      L2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelAttributeEntry
    MAX-ACCESS   not-accessible
    STATUS       current
    DESCRIPTION
        "A conceptual row corresponding to a PTA
        that is advertised/received on this router."
    REFERENCE
        "RFC6514, Section 5"
    INDEX {
        l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelAttributeFlags,
        l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelAttributeType,
        l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelAttributeLabel,
        l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelAttributeId
    }
    ::= { l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelAttributeTable 1 }

l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelAttributeEntry ::=
    SEQUENCE {
        l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelAttributeFlags
```



```

    OCTET STRING,
    l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelAttributeType
    l2L3VpnMcastProviderTunnelType,
    l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelAttributeLabel
    MplsLabel,
    l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelAttributeId
    OCTET STRING,
    l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelPointer
    RowPointer,
    l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelIf
    RowPointer
}

```

#### l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelAttributeFlags OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX OCTET STRING (SIZE (1))

MAX-ACCESS not-accessible

STATUS current

#### DESCRIPTION

"Denotes the Flags field in a PMSI Tunnel attribute with the following format.

```

    0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
    +--+--+--+--+--+
    | reserved  |L|
    +--+--+--+--+--+

```

L: Leaf Information Required

When BGP-based I/S-PMSI signaling is used, the value of this object corresponds with the Flags field in an advertised/received I/S-PMSI auto-discovery (A-D) route.

When UDP-based S-PMSI signaling is used, the value of this object is zero."

#### REFERENCE

["RFC6514, Section 5"](#)

::= { l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelAttributeEntry 1 }

#### l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelAttributeType OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX l2L3VpnMcastProviderTunnelType

MAX-ACCESS not-accessible

STATUS current

#### DESCRIPTION

"Denotes the Tunnel Type field that identifies the type of the tunneling technology used to establish the provider tunnel, in a PMSI Tunnel attribute.





When BGP-based I/S-PMSI signaling is used, the value of this object corresponds with the Tunnel Type field in an advertised/received I/S-PMSI A-D route.

When UDP-based S-PMSI signaling is used, the value of this object will be one of pimAsm (3), pimSsm (4), or pimBidir (5)."

#### REFERENCE

["RFC6514, Section 5"](#)

::= { l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelAttributeEntry 2 }

#### l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelAttributeLabel OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX            MplsLabel  
MAX-ACCESS       not-accessible  
STATUS            current

#### DESCRIPTION

"Denotes the MPLS Label field that contains an MPLS label, in a PMSI Tunnel attribute.

When BGP-based I/S-PMSI signaling is used, the value of this object corresponds with the MPLS Label field in an advertised/received I/S-PMSI A-D route.

When UDP-based S-PMSI signaling is used, the value of this object is zero that indicates absence of MPLS Label."

#### REFERENCE

["RFC6514, Section 5"](#)

::= { l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelAttributeEntry 3 }

#### l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelAttributeId OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX            OCTET STRING ( SIZE (0|4|8|12|16|17|24|29|32) )  
MAX-ACCESS       not-accessible  
STATUS            current

#### DESCRIPTION

"Denotes the Tunnel Identifier field that uniquely identifies a created tunnel, in a PMSI Tunnel attribute.

The size of the identifier depends on address family (IPv4 or IPv6) and the value of l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelAttributeType, i.e., the type of the tunneling technology used to establish the provider tunnel.

The size of the identifier for each tunneling technology is summarized below.

Size (in octets)    l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelAttributeType



IPv4	IPv6	(tunneling technology)
-----		
0	0	noTunnelId (No tunnel information present)
12	24	rsvpP2mp (RSVP-TE P2MP LSP)
17	29	ldpP2mp (mLDP P2MP LSP)
8	32	pimSsm (PIM-SSM Tree)
8	32	pimAsm (PIM-SM Tree)
8	32	pimBidir (BIDIR-PIM Tree)
4	16	ingressReplication (Ingress Replication)
17	29	ldpMp2mp (mLDP MP2MP LSP)

When `l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelAttributeType` is set to `noTunnelId`, the PMSI Tunnel attribute does not have tunnel information. Thus, the size of this object is zero.

When `l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelAttributeType` is set to `rsvpP2mp`, the Tunnel Identifier is composed of Extended Tunnel ID (4 octets in IPv4, 16 octets in IPv6), Reserved (2 octets), Tunnel ID (2 octets), and P2MP ID (4 octets). Thus, the size of this object is 12 octets in IPv4 and 24 octets in IPv6.

When `l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelAttributeType` is set to `ldpP2mp`, the Tunnel Identifier is a 17 octets (in IPv4) or 29 octets (in IPv6) P2MP Forwarding Equivalence Class (FEC) Element.

When `l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelAttributeType` is set to `pimSsm`, `pimAsm`, or `pimBidir`, the Tunnel Identifier is a pair of source and group IP addresses. Thus, the size of this object is 16 octets in IPv4 and 32 octets in IPv6.

When `l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelAttributeType` is set to `ingressReplication`, the Tunnel Identifier is the unicast tunnel endpoint IP address of the local PE. Thus, the size of this object is 4 octets in IPv4 and 16 octets in IPv6.

When `l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelAttributeType` is set to `ldpMp2mp`, the Tunnel Identifier is a 17 octets (in IPv4) or 29 octets (in IPv6) MP2MP FEC Element.

When BGP-based I/S-PMSI signaling is used, the value of this object corresponds with the the Tunnel Identifier field in an advertised/received I/S-PMSI A-D route. Thus, the size of this object is determined



by the above table.

When UDP-based S-PMSI signaling is used, the value of this object is a pair of source and group IP addresses. Thus, the size of this object is 16 octets in IPv4 and 32 octets in IPv6."

#### REFERENCE

"[RFC6514, Section 5](#)  
[RFC4875, Section 19.1](#)  
[RFC6388, Section 2.2](#) and 2.3"

::= { l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelAttributeEntry 4 }

#### l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelPointer OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX RowPointer

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

#### DESCRIPTION

"The tunnel identified by l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelAttributeId may be represented as an entry in other table, e.g, mplsTunnelTable [[RFC3812](#)]. If there is such entry, this object will point to the row pertaining to the entry. Otherwise, the pointer is null."

::= { l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelAttributeEntry 5 }

#### l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelIf OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX RowPointer

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

#### DESCRIPTION

"If the tunnel identified by l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelAttributeId has a corresponding entry in the ifXTable [[RFC2863](#)], this object will point to the row pertaining to the entry in the ifXTable. Otherwise, the pointer is null."

::= { l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelAttributeEntry 6 }

#### -- Conformance Information

l2L3VpnMcastGroups OBJECT IDENTIFIER

::= { l2L3VpnMcastConformance 1 }

l2L3VpnMcastCompliances OBJECT IDENTIFIER

::= { l2L3VpnMcastConformance 2 }

#### -- Compliance Statements

l2L3VpnMcastCompliance MODULE-COMPLIANCE

STATUS current

#### DESCRIPTION

"The compliance statement: no mandatory groups "



```
MODULE -- this module

GROUP l2L3VpnMcastOptionalGroup
    DESCRIPTION
        "This group is optional."
    ::= { l2L3VpnMcastCompliances 1 }

-- units of conformance

l2L3VpnMcastOptionalGroup    OBJECT-GROUP
    OBJECTS {
        l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelPointer,
        l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelIf
    }
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "Support of these objects is not required."
    ::= { l2L3VpnMcastGroups 1 }

END
```

## 5. Security Considerations

There are no management objects defined in this MIB module that have a MAX-ACCESS clause of read-write and/or read-create. So, if this MIB module is implemented correctly, then there is no risk that an intruder can alter or create any management objects of this MIB module via direct SNMP SET operations.

Some of the readable objects in this MIB module (i.e., objects with a MAX-ACCESS other than not-accessible) may be considered sensitive or vulnerable in some network environments. It is thus important to control even GET and/or NOTIFY access to these objects and possibly to even encrypt the values of these objects when sending them over the network via SNMP. These are the tables and objects and their sensitivity/vulnerability:

- o l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelPointer and l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelIf in l2L3VpnMcastPmsiTunnelAttributeTable will point the corresponding entry of in other table containing configuration and/or performance information of a tunnel and an interface. If an Administrator does not want to reveal this information, then these objects should be considered sensitive/vulnerable.

SNMP versions prior to SNMPv3 did not include adequate security. Even if the network itself is secure (for example by using IPsec), there is no control as to who on the secure network is allowed to





access and GET/SET (read/change/create/delete) the objects in this MIB module.

Implementations SHOULD provide the security features described by the SNMPv3 framework (see [RFC3410]), and implementations claiming compliance to the SNMPv3 standard MUST include full support for authentication and privacy via the User-based Security Model (USM) [RFC3414] with the AES cipher algorithm [RFC3826]. Implementations MAY also provide support for the Transport Security Model (TSM) [RFC5591] in combination with a secure transport such as SSH [RFC5592] or TLS/DTLS [RFC6353].

Further, deployment of SNMP versions prior to SNMPv3 is NOT RECOMMENDED. Instead, it is RECOMMENDED to deploy SNMPv3 and to enable cryptographic security. It is then a customer/operator responsibility to ensure that the SNMP entity giving access to an instance of this MIB module is properly configured to give access to the objects only to those principals (users) that have legitimate rights to indeed GET or SET (change/create/delete) them.

## **6. IANA Considerations**

IANA is requested to root MIB objects in the MIB module contained in this document under the mib-2 subtree.

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