

IEEE 802.5 Station Source Routing MIB

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1. Introduction

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 managed objects used by IEEE 802.5 end-stations for managing source routes on a Token Ring network where IEEE source-routing is in use. IEEE source-routing is described in 802.5 Token Ring Access Method and Physical Layer Specifications [[8](#)] and related ISO publications [[9](#), [10](#), [11](#)].

This memo is an incremental update to RFC XXXX [[6](#)]. It is documented separately from the RFC XXXX solely due to the latter's maturity within the Internet standardization process.

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2. The SNMPv2 Network Management Framework

The SNMPv2 Network Management Framework consists of four major components. They are:

- o [RFC 1442](#) [1] which defines the SMI, the mechanisms used for describing and naming objects for the purpose of management.
- o STD 17, [RFC 1213](#) [2] defines MIB-II, the core set of managed objects for the Internet suite of protocols.
- o [RFC 1445](#) [3] which defines the administrative and other architectural aspects of the framework.
- o [RFC 1448](#) [4] which defines the protocol used for network access to managed objects.

The Framework permits new objects to be defined for the purpose of experimentation and evaluation.

2.1. Object Definitions

Managed objects are accessed via a virtual information store, termed the Management Information Base or MIB. Objects in the MIB are defined using the subset of Abstract Syntax Notation One (ASN.1) defined in the SMI. In particular, each object type is named by an OBJECT IDENTIFIER, an administratively assigned name. The object type together with an object instance serves to uniquely identify a specific instantiation of the object. For human convenience, we often use a textual string, termed the descriptor, to refer to the object type.

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3. Overview

This memo defines a single table: the 802.5 Station Source Routing Table, which contains the source routes known by a end-station on an IEEE 802.5 Token Ring network in which IEEE source-routing is in use.

3.1. Source Routing

Source routing extends the 802.5 protocol [8] by assigning a unique ring number to each ring within the extended LAN, and a bridge number to each source routing bridge's connection to a ring. A Routing Information Field (RIF) must be included in frames which need to traverse multiple rings. The format of the RIF is:

```

+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| RC  | RD  | RD  | ...  | RD  |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+
<---- 0 to 8 RD fields ---->

```

The format of the Routing Control (RC) field is:

```

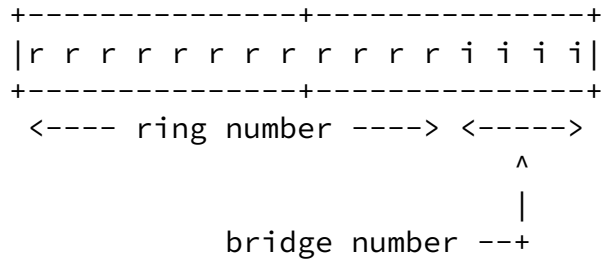
+-----+-----+
|b b b l l l l l|d f f f 0 0 0 0|
+-----+-----+
      ^           ^           ^           ^
      |           |           |           |

```

Explorer indicator ---+ | | +-- Max frame length*
 Length of RIF field ---+ +-- Direction to use RDs

* Note that the length of the Maximum frame length subfield has recently been extended to 6 bits.

The format of each Routing Descriptor (RD) field is:



[3.2.](#) Relationship to RFC XXXX

RFC XXXX [6], the IEEE 802.5 MIB, defines managed objects used for interfaces to IEEE 802.5 Token Ring subnetworks. This memo is an incremental update to RFC XXXX, and is documented independently solely due to the maturity of the definitions contained within RFC XXXX.

[3.3.](#) Relationship to [RFC 1525](#)

[RFC 1525](#) [7] defines the MIB objects specific to source-routing for source-routing and SRT bridges. This memo defines the MIB objects specific to source-routing for source-routing end-stations.

[3.4.](#) Static Source Routes

It is unclear how many, if any, existing systems allow the creation or deletion of "static" 802.5 source routes by network management. However, SNMPv2 SMI defines that the MAX-ACCESS clause as specifying the maximal level of access which makes

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DESCRIPTION

"The MIB module for managing source routes in
end-stations on IEEE 802.5 Token Ring networks."

::= { experimental 58 }

dot5SrMIBObjects OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { dot5SrMIB 1 }

RouteDescriptor ::= TEXTUAL-CONVENTION

DISPLAY-HINT "1x:"

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"Represents a Routing Descriptor (RD) as used
by 802.5 Source Routing."

REFERENCE "Annex C of ISO/IEC 10038: 1993
[ANSI/IEEE Std 802.1D, 1993]"

SYNTAX OCTET STRING (SIZE(0..30))

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-- The 802.5 Station Source Route Table

--

-- This Source Route Table represents the 802.5 RIF database.
-- Entries are created whenever an Single Path Explorer or an
-- All Paths Explorer discovers a route to a neighbor not
-- currently in the table, or whenever an All Paths Explorer
-- discovers a better (shorter) route than the route currently
-- stored in the table. This is done on behalf of any network
-- layer client.

dot5SrRouteTable OBJECT-TYPE

```

SYNTAX      SEQUENCE OF Dot5SrRouteEntry
MAX-ACCESS  not-accessible
STATUS      current
DESCRIPTION
            "The table of source-routing routes."
 ::= { dot5SrMIBObjects 1 }

dot5SrRouteEntry OBJECT-TYPE
SYNTAX      Dot5SrRouteEntry
MAX-ACCESS  not-accessible
STATUS      current
DESCRIPTION
            "Information on a specific route."
INDEX       { dot5SrRouteIfIndex, dot5SrRouteDestination }
 ::= { dot5SrRouteTable 1 }

Dot5SrRouteEntry ::= SEQUENCE {
    dot5SrRouteIfIndex      Integer32,
    dot5SrRouteDestination  MacAddress,
    dot5SrRouteControl      OCTET STRING,
    dot5SrRouteDescr        RouteDescriptor,
    dot5SrRouteStatus       RowStatus
}

dot5SrRouteIfIndex OBJECT-TYPE
SYNTAX      Integer32
MAX-ACCESS  not-accessible
STATUS      current
DESCRIPTION
            "The value of MIB-II's ifIndex object for the
            interface on which this route is in effect."
 ::= { dot5SrRouteEntry 1 }

dot5SrRouteDestination OBJECT-TYPE

```

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SYNTAX      MacAddress
MAX-ACCESS  not-accessible
STATUS      current
DESCRIPTION
            "The destination of this route."

```


::= { dot5SrRouteEntry 2 }

dot5SrRouteControl OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX OCTET STRING (SIZE(2))

MAX-ACCESS read-create

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"The value of Routing Control field for this route."

REFERENCE "Annex C of ISO/IEC 10038: 1993
[ANSI/IEEE Std 802.1D, 1993]"

::= { dot5SrRouteEntry 3 }

dot5SrRouteDescr OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX RouteDescriptor

MAX-ACCESS read-create

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"The Routing Descriptor, containing an embedded sequence of bridge and ring ID's, for this route. For destinations on the local ring, the value of this object is the zero-length string."

REFERENCE "Annex C of ISO/IEC 10038: 1993
[ANSI/IEEE Std 802.1D, 1993]"

::= { dot5SrRouteEntry 4 }

dot5SrRouteStatus OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX RowStatus

MAX-ACCESS read-create

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"The status of this row."

::= { dot5SrRouteEntry 5 }

```

-- conformance information

dot5SrConformance OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { dot5SrMIB 2 }

dot5SrGroups      OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { dot5SrConformance 1 }
dot5SrCompliances OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { dot5SrConformance 2 }

-- compliance statements

dot5SrCompliance MODULE-COMPLIANCE
    STATUS current
    DESCRIPTION
        "The compliance statement for SNMPv2 entities
        which implement the IEEE 802.5 Station Source Route
        MIB."

    MODULE -- this module
        MANDATORY-GROUPS { dot5SrRouteGroup }

        OBJECT      dot5SrRouteStatus
        SYNTAX      INTEGER { active(1) }    -- subset of values
        MIN-ACCESS  read-only
        DESCRIPTION
            "Write access is not required, and only the 'active'
            value need be supported."

        ::= { dot5SrCompliances 1 }

-- units of conformance

dot5SrRouteGroup OBJECT-GROUP
    OBJECTS      { dot5SrRouteControl,
                  dot5SrRouteDescr,
                  dot5SrRouteStatus
                }
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "A collection of objects providing for the management of
        source routes in stations on IEEE 802.5 source-routing
        networks."
    ::= { dot5SrGroups 1 }

END

```

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5. Acknowledgements

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7. Security Considerations

Security issues are not discussed in this memo.

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