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Abstract

This document specifies a Management Information Base (MIB) module for the Lightweight User Datagram Protocol. It defines a set of new MIB objects to characterise the behaviour and performance of transport layer endpoints deploying UDP-Lite. UDP-Lite resembles UDP, but differs from the semantics of UDP by the addition of a single option. This adds the capability for variable-length data checksum coverage, which can benefit a class of applications that prefer delivery of (partially) corrupted datagram payload data in preference to discarding the datagram.

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1. Introduction

The Lightweight User Datagram Protocol (UDP-Lite) [RFC3828] (also known as UDPLite) is an IETF standards-track transport protocol. The operation of UDP-Lite is similar to the User Datagram Protocol (UDP) [RFC0768], but can also serve applications in error-prone network environments that prefer to have partially damaged payloads delivered rather than discarded. This is achieved by changing the semantics of the UDP Length field to that of a Checksum Coverage field. If this feature is not used, UDP-Lite is semantically identical to UDP.

The interface of UDP-Lite differs from that of UDP by the addition of a single option, which communicates a length value. At the sender this specifies the intended datagram checksum coverage; at the receiver it signifies a minimum coverage threshold for incoming datagrams. This length value may also be modified during the lifetime of a connection. UDP-Lite does not provide mechanisms to negotiate the checksum coverage between the sender and receiver. Where required, this needs to be communicated by another protocol. DCCP [RFC4340] for instance includes a capability to negotiate checksum coverage values.

This document defines a set of runtime statistics (variables) that facilitate both network management/monitoring as well as unified comparisons between different protocol implementations and operating environments. To provide a common interface for users and implementors of UDP-Lite modules, the definitions of these runtime statistics are provided as a MIB module using the SMIv2 format [RFC2578].

<u>1.1</u>. Relationship to the UDP-MIB

The similarities between UDP and UDP-Lite suggest that the MIB module for UDP-Lite should resemble that of UDP [RFC4113], with extensions corresponding to the additional capabilities of UDP-Lite. The UDP-Lite MIB module is placed beneath the mib-2 subtree, adhering to the familiar structure of the UDP-MIB module to ease integration.

In particular, these well-known basic counters are supported:

- o InDatagrams
- o NoPorts
- o InErrors
- o OutDatagrams

The following read-only variables have been added to the basic structure used in the UDP-MIB module:

InPartialCov: The number of received datagrams, with a valid format and checksum, whose checksum coverage is strictly less than the datagram length.

InBadChecksum: The number of received datagrams with an invalid checksum (i.e. where the receiver-recalculated UDP-Lite checksum does not match that in the Checksum field). Unlike NoPorts, this error type also counts as InErrors.

OutPartialCov: The number of sent datagrams with a valid format and checksum whose checksum coverage is strictly less than the datagram length.

All non-error counters used in this document are 64-bit counters. This is a departure from UDP, which traditionally used 32-bit counters and mandates 64-bit counters only on fast networks [RFC4113]. This choice is justified by the fact that UDP-Lite is a more recent protocol, and that network speeds continue to grow.

Another difference from the UDP MIB module is that the UDP-Lite MIB module does not support an IPv4-only listener table. This feature was present only for compatibility reasons and is superseded by the more informative endpoint table. Two columnar objects have been added to this table:

udpliteEndpointMinCoverage: The minimum acceptable receiver checksum coverage length [RFC3828]. This value may be manipulated by the application attached to the receiving endpoint.

udpliteEndpointViolCoverage: This object is optional and counts the number of valid datagrams with a checksum coverage value less than the corresponding value of udpliteEndpointMinCoverage. Although being otherwise valid, such datagrams are discarded rather than passed to the application. This object thus serves to separate cases of violated coverage from other InErrors.

The second entry is not required to manage the transport protocol and hence is not mandatory. It may be implemented to assist in debugging application design and configuration.

The UDP-Lite MIB module also provides a discontinuity object to help determine whether one or more of its counters experienced a discontinuity event. This is an event, other than re-initialising the management system, which invalidates the management entity's understanding of the counter values.

For example, if UDP-Lite is implemented as a loadable operating system module, a module load or unload would produce a discontinuity. By querying the value of udpliteStatsDiscontinuityTime, a management entity can determine whether or not a discontinuity event has occurred.

Relationship to HOST-RESOURCES-MIB and SYSAPPL-MIB 1.2.

The UDP-Lite endpoint table contains one columnar object, udpliteEndpointProcess, reporting a unique value which identifies a distinct piece of software associated with this endpoint. (When more than one piece of software is associated with this endpoint, a representative is chosen; so that consecutive queries consistently refer to the same identifier, as long as the representative piece of software is running and still associated with the endpoint.)

The value of udpliteEndpointProcess is reported as an Unsigned32; and it shares with the hrSWRunIndex of the HOST-RESOURCES-MIB [RFC2790] and the sysApplElmtRunIndex of the SYSAPPL-MIB [RFC2287] the requirement that, wherever possible, this should be the native and unique identification number employed by the system.

If the SYSAPPL-MIB module is available, the value of udpliteEndpointProcess should correspond to the appropriate value of sysApplElmtRunIndex. If not available, an alternative should be used (e.g. the hrSWRunIndex of the HOST-RESOURCES-MIB module).

1.3. Interpretation of the MIB Variables

Figure 1 shows an informal survey of the packet processing path, with reference to counter names in brackets.

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```
Received UDP-Lite Datagrams
 +- Full Coverage -----+-> Deliver
 +- >= Rec. Coverage --+
 +- Valid Header--+
 | (InDatagrams) |
                        +- Partial ----+
             (InPartialCov) |
                         +- < Rec. Coverage --+
                        (EndpointViolCoverage) |
 +- Header Error ---+
              +- Checksum Error -+----- Discard
 (InBadChecksum)
                                          (InErrors)
 +- Port Error -----> Discard
   (NoPorts)
```

Figure 1: UDP-Lite Input Processing Path

A platform-independent test of the UDP-Lite implementations in two connected end hosts may be performed as follows.

On the sending side, OutDatagrams and OutPartialCov are observed. The ratio OutPartialCov/OutDatagrams describes the fraction (between 0 and 1) of datagrams using partial checksum coverage.

On the receiving side, InDatagrams, InPartialCov, and InErrors are monitored. If datagrams are received from the given sender, InErrors is close to zero, and InPartialCov is zero, no partial coverage is employed. If no datagrams are received and InErrors increases proportionally with the sending rate, a configuration error is likely (a wrong value of receiver minimum checksum coverage).

The InBadChecksum counter reflects errors that may persist following end-host processing, router processing, or link processing (this includes illegal coverage values as defined in [RFC3828], since checksum and checksum coverage are mutually inter-dependent). In particular, InBadChecksum can serve as an indicator of the residual link bit error rate: on links with higher bit error rates, a lower value of the checksum coverage may help to reduce both the values of InErrors and InBadChecksum.

By observing these values and adapting the configuration, a setting may then be found that is more adapted to the specific type of link, as well as the type of payload; indicated by a reduction of the

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number of discarded datagrams (InErrors), leading to an improved performance.

The above statistics are elementary and can be used to derive the following information:

- The total number of incoming datagrams is InDatagrams + InErrors + 0 NoPorts
- o The number of InErrors that were discarded due to problems other than bad checksum is InErrors - InBadChecksum
- o The number of InDatagrams that have full coverage is InDatagrams -InPartialCov.
- o The number of OutDatagrams that have full coverage is OutDatagrams - OutPartialCov.

The following Case diagram [CASE] summarises the relationships between the counters on the input processing path.

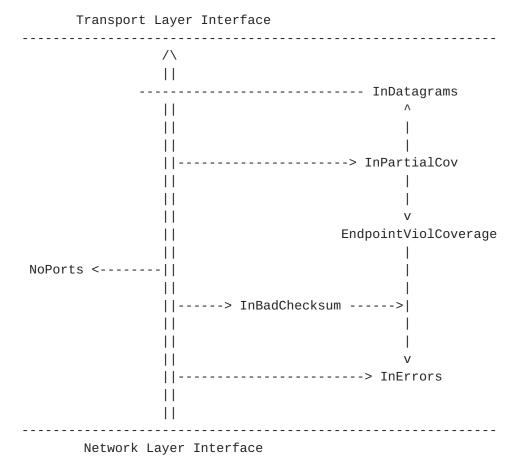


Figure 2: Counters for received UDP-Lite Datagrams

A configuration error may occur when a sender chooses a coverage value for the datagrams that it sends that is less than the minimum coverage configured by the intended recipient. The minimum coverage is set on a per-session basis by the application associated with the listening endpoint, and its current value is recorded in the udpliteEndpointTable. Reception of valid datagrams with a checksum coverage value less than this threshold results in dropping the datagram [RFC3828] and incrementing InErrors. To improve debugging of such (misconfigured) cases, an implementer may choose to support the optional udpliteEndpointViolCoverage entry in the endpoint table (Section 1.1.) that specifically counts datagrams falling in this category. Without this feature, failure due to misconfiguration can not be distinguished from datagram processing failure.

1.4. Conventions

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 BCP 14, [RFC2119].

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<u>2</u>. 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 [<u>RFC2580</u>].

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3. Definitions

UDPLITE-MIB DEFINITIONS ::= BEGIN

IMPORTS

MODULE-IDENTITY,			
OBJECT-TYPE,			
mib-2, Unsigned32,			
Counter32, Counter64	FROM SN	MPv2-SMI	 [<u>RFC2578</u>]
TimeStamp	FROM SN	IMPv2-TC	 [<u>RFC2579</u>]
MODULE-COMPLIANCE,	FROM ON		
OBJECT-GROUP	FROM SN	IMPv2-CONF	 [<u>RFC2580</u>]
InetAddress,			
InetAddressType,			
InetPortNumber	FROM TN	IET-ADDRESS-MIB;	 [RFC4001]
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```
udpliteInPartialCov OBJECT-TYPE -- new in UDP-Lite
   SYNTAX
              Counter64
   MAX-ACCESS read-only
   STATUS
              current
   DESCRIPTION
           "The total number of UDP-Lite datagrams that were
           delivered to UDP-Lite users (applications) and whose
           checksum coverage was strictly less than the datagram
           length.
           Discontinuities in the value of this counter can occur
           at re-initialisation of the management system, and at
           other times as indicated by the value of
           udpliteStatsDiscontinuityTime."
    ::= { udplite 2 }
udpliteNoPorts OBJECT-TYPE
                                    -- as in UDP-MIB
   SYNTAX
              Counter32
   MAX-ACCESS read-only
   STATUS
              current
   DESCRIPTION
           "The total number of received UDP-Lite datagrams for
           which there was no listener at the destination port.
           Discontinuities in the value of this counter can occur
           at re-initialisation of the management system, and at
           other times as indicated by the value of
           udpliteStatsDiscontinuityTime."
    ::= { udplite 3 }
udpliteInErrors OBJECT-TYPE
                                     -- as in UDP-MIB
   SYNTAX
              Counter32
   MAX-ACCESS read-only
   STATUS
              current
   DESCRIPTION
           "The number of received UDP-Lite datagrams that could not
           be delivered for reasons other than the lack of an
           application at the destination port.
           Discontinuities in the value of this counter can occur
           at re-initialisation of the management system, and at
           other times as indicated by the value of
           udpliteStatsDiscontinuityTime."
    ::= { udplite 4 }
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udpliteInBadChecksum OBJECT-TYPE -- new in UDP-Lite
   SYNTAX
              Counter32
   MAX-ACCESS read-only
              current
   STATUS
   DESCRIPTION
          "The number of received UDP-Lite datagrams whose checksum
           could not be validated. This includes illegal checksum
           coverage values, as their use would lead to incorrect
           checksums.
           Discontinuities in the value of this counter can occur
           at re-initialisation of the management system, and at
           other times as indicated by the value of
           udpliteStatsDiscontinuityTime."
   REFERENCE "RFC 3828, section 3.1"
   ::= { udplite 5 }
udpliteOutDatagrams OBJECT-TYPE -- as in UDP-MIB
   SYNTAX
             Counter64
   MAX-ACCESS read-only
   STATUS current
   DESCRIPTION
          "The total number of UDP-Lite datagrams sent from this
           entity.
           Discontinuities in the value of this counter can occur
           at re-initialisation of the management system, and at
           other times as indicated by the value of
           udpliteStatsDiscontinuityTime."
    ::= { udplite 6 }
udpliteOutPartialCov OBJECT-TYPE -- new in UDP-Lite
   SYNTAX
              Counter64
   MAX-ACCESS read-only
             current
   STATUS
   DESCRIPTION
           "The total number of udpliteOutDatagrams whose
           checksum coverage was strictly less than the
           datagram length.
           Discontinuities in the value of this counter can occur
           at re-initialisation of the management system, and at
           other times as indicated by the value of
           udpliteStatsDiscontinuityTime."
    ::= { udplite 7 }
udpliteEndpointTable OBJECT-TYPE
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```
SYNTAX
          SEQUENCE OF UdpLiteEndpointEntry
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```
MAX-ACCESS not-accessible
STATUS current
DESCRIPTION
```

"A table containing information about this entity's UDP-Lite endpoints on which a local application is currently accepting or sending datagrams.

The address type in this table represents the address type used for the communication, irrespective of the higher-layer abstraction. For example, an application using IPv6 'sockets' to communicate via IPv4 between ::ffff:10.0.0.1 and ::ffff:10.0.0.2 would use InetAddressType ipv4(1).

Like the udpTable in <u>RFC 4113</u>, this table also allows the representation of an application that completely specifies both local and remote addresses and ports. A listening application is represented in three possible ways:

- An application that is willing to accept both IPv4 and IPv6 datagrams is represented by a udpliteEndpointLocalAddressType of unknown(0) and a udpliteEndpointLocalAddress of ''h (a zero-length octet-string).
- 2) An application that is willing to accept only IPv4 or only IPv6 datagrams is represented by a udpliteEndpointLocalAddressType of the appropriate address type and a udpliteEndpointLocalAddress of '0.0.0.0' or '::' respectively.
- 3) An application that is listening for datagrams only for a specific IP address but from any remote system is represented by a udpliteEndpointLocalAddressType of the appropriate address type, with udpliteEndpointLocalAddress specifying the local address.

In all cases where the remote address is a wildcard, the udpliteEndpointRemoteAddressType is unknown(0), the udpliteEndpointRemoteAddress is ''h (a zero-length octet-string), and the udpliteEndpointRemotePort is 0.

If the operating system is demultiplexing UDP-Lite packets by remote address/port, or if the application has 'connected' the socket specifying a default remote address/port, the udpliteEndpointRemote* values should

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               be used to reflect this."
       ::= { udplite 8 }
   udpliteEndpointEntry OBJECT-TYPE
       SYNTAX
                  UdpLiteEndpointEntry
      MAX-ACCESS not-accessible
      STATUS
                  current
       DESCRIPTION
              "Information about a particular current UDP-Lite endpoint.
               Implementers need to pay attention to the sizes of
               udpliteEndpointLocalAddress/RemoteAddress, as OIDs of
               column instances in this table must have no more than
               128 sub-identifiers in order to remain accessible with
               SNMPv1, SNMPv2c, and SNMPv3."
       INDEX
               { udpliteEndpointLocalAddressType,
                 udpliteEndpointLocalAddress,
                 udpliteEndpointLocalPort,
                 udpliteEndpointRemoteAddressType,
                 udpliteEndpointRemoteAddress,
                 udpliteEndpointRemotePort,
                 udpliteEndpointInstance }
       ::= { udpliteEndpointTable 1 }
   UdpLiteEndpointEntry ::= SEQUENCE {
           udpliteEndpointLocalAddressType
                                             InetAddressType,
           udpliteEndpointLocalAddress
                                             InetAddress,
           udpliteEndpointLocalPort
                                             InetPortNumber,
           udpliteEndpointRemoteAddressType
                                             InetAddressType,
           udpliteEndpointRemoteAddress
                                             InetAddress,
           udpliteEndpointRemotePort
                                             InetPortNumber,
           udpliteEndpointInstance
                                             Unsigned32,
           udpliteEndpointProcess
                                             Unsigned32,
```

Unsigned32,

Counter32

udpliteEndpointMinCoverage

udpliteEndpointViolCoverage

}

```
udpliteEndpointLocalAddressType OBJECT-TYPE
   SYNTAX
              InetAddressType
   MAX-ACCESS not-accessible
              current
   STATUS
   DESCRIPTION
           "The address type of udpliteEndpointLocalAddress. Only
           IPv4, IPv4z, IPv6, and IPv6z addresses are expected, or
            unknown(0) if datagrams for all local IP addresses are
            accepted."
    ::= { udpliteEndpointEntry 1 }
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```
udpliteEndpointLocalAddress OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX
               InetAddress
   MAX-ACCESS not-accessible
               current
   STATUS
   DESCRIPTION
           "The local IP address for this UDP-Lite endpoint.
            The value of this object can be represented in three
            possible ways, depending on the characteristics of the
            listening application:
            1. For an application that is willing to accept both
               IPv4 and IPv6 datagrams, the value of this object
               must be ''h (a zero-length octet-string), with
               the value of the corresponding instance of the
               EndpointLocalAddressType object being unknown(0).
            2. For an application that is willing to accept only
               IPv4 or only IPv6 datagrams, the value of this
               object must be '0.0.0.0' or '::', respectively,
               while the corresponding instance of the
               EndpointLocalAddressType object represents the
               appropriate address type.
            3. For an application that is listening for data
               destined only to a specific IP address, the value
               of this object is the specific IP address for
               which this node is receiving packets, with the
               corresponding instance of the
               EndpointLocalAddressType object representing the
               appropriate address type.
            As this object is used in the index for the
            udpliteEndpointTable, implementors should be careful
            not to create entries that would result in OIDs with
           more than 128 sub-identifiers; this is because of SNMP
            and SMI limitations."
    ::= { udpliteEndpointEntry 2 }
udpliteEndpointLocalPort OBJECT-TYPE
               InetPortNumber
   SYNTAX
   MAX-ACCESS not-accessible
   STATUS
              current
   DESCRIPTION
           "The local port number for this UDP-Lite endpoint."
    ::= { udpliteEndpointEntry 3 }
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```
udpliteEndpointRemoteAddressType OBJECT-TYPE
   SYNTAX
               InetAddressType
   MAX-ACCESS not-accessible
               current
   STATUS
   DESCRIPTION
           "The address type of udpliteEndpointRemoteAddress. Only
            IPv4, IPv4z, IPv6, and IPv6z addresses are expected, or
            unknown(0) if datagrams for all remote IP addresses are
            accepted. Also, note that some combinations of
            udpliteEndpointLocalAdressType and
            udpliteEndpointRemoteAddressType are not supported. In
            particular, if the value of this object is not
            unknown(0), it is expected to always refer to the
            same IP version as udpliteEndpointLocalAddressType."
    ::= { udpliteEndpointEntry 4 }
udpliteEndpointRemoteAddress OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX
               InetAddress
   MAX-ACCESS not-accessible
   STATUS
             current
    DESCRIPTION
           "The remote IP address for this UDP-Lite endpoint.
                                                               If
            datagrams from any remote system are to be accepted,
            this value is ''h (a zero-length octet-string).
            Otherwise, it has the type described by
            udpliteEndpointRemoteAddressType and is the address of
            the remote system from which datagrams are to be
            accepted (or to which all datagrams will be sent).
            As this object is used in the index for the
            udpliteEndpointTable, implementors should be careful
            not to create entries that would result in OIDs with
            more than 128 sub-identifiers; this is because of SNMP
            and SMI limitations."
    ::= { udpliteEndpointEntry 5 }
udpliteEndpointRemotePort OBJECT-TYPE
               InetPortNumber
    SYNTAX
   MAX-ACCESS not-accessible
   STATUS
              current
   DESCRIPTION
           "The remote port number for this UDP-Lite endpoint. If
            datagrams from any remote system are to be accepted,
            this value is zero."
    ::= { udpliteEndpointEntry 6 }
```

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```
udpliteEndpointInstance OBJECT-TYPE
   SYNTAX
               Unsigned32 (1..'ffffffff'h)
   MAX-ACCESS not-accessible
               current
   STATUS
   DESCRIPTION
           "The instance of this tuple. This object is used to
            distinguish among multiple processes 'connected' to
            the same UDP-Lite endpoint. For example, on a system
            implementing the BSD sockets interface, this would be
            used to support the SO_REUSEADDR and SO_REUSEPORT
            socket options."
    ::= { udpliteEndpointEntry 7 }
udpliteEndpointProcess OBJECT-TYPE
   SYNTAX
               Unsigned32
   MAX-ACCESS read-only
               current
   STATUS
   DESCRIPTION
           "A unique value corresponding to a piece of software
            running on this endpoint.
            If this endpoint is associated with more than one piece
            of software, the agent should choose one of these; such
            that subsequent reads will consistently return the same
            value, as long as the representative piece of software
            is running and still associated with the endpoint. The
            implementation may use any algorithm satisfying these
            constraints (e.g. choosing the entity with the oldest
            start time).
            This identifier is platform-specific. Wherever possible,
            it should use the system's native, unique identification
            number as value.
            If the SYSAPPL-MIB module is available, the value should
            be the same as sysApplElmtRunIndex. If not available, an
            alternative should be used (e.g. the hrSWRunIndex of the
            HOST-RESOURCES-MIB module).
            If it is not possible to uniquely identify the pieces of
            software associated with this endpoint, then the value
            zero should be used. (Note that zero is otherwise a
            valid value for sysApplElmtRunIndex.)"
    ::= { udpliteEndpointEntry 8 }
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  udpliteEndpointMinCoverage OBJECT-TYPE -- new in UDP-Lite
      SYNTAX
                 Unsigned32
      MAX-ACCESS read-only
                 current
      STATUS
      DESCRIPTION
              "The minimum checksum coverage expected by this endpoint.
              A value of 0 indicates that only fully covered datagrams
               are accepted."
      REFERENCE "RFC 3828, section 3.1"
       ::= { udpliteEndpointEntry 9 }
  udpliteEndpointViolCoverage OBJECT-TYPE -- new / optional in UDP-Lite
      SYNTAX
                 Counter32
      MAX-ACCESS read-only
      STATUS
                 current
      DESCRIPTION
              "The number of datagrams received by this endpoint whose
               checksum coverage violated the minimum coverage threshold
               set for this connection (i.e. all valid datagrams whose
               checksum coverage was strictly smaller than the minimum,
               as defined in RFC 3828).
               Discontinuities in the value of this counter can occur
               at re-initialisation of the management system, and at
               other times as indicated by the value of
               udpliteStatsDiscontinuityTime."
       ::= { udpliteEndpointEntry 10 }
  udpliteStatsDiscontinuityTime OBJECT-TYPE
      SYNTAX
                 TimeStamp
      MAX-ACCESS read-only
      STATUS
                 current
      DESCRIPTION
              "The value of sysUpTime at the most recent occasion at
               which one or more of the UDP-Lite counters suffered a
               discontinuity.
               A value of zero indicates no such discontinuity has
               occurred since the last re-initialisation of the local
               management subsystem."
       ::= { udplite 9 }
```

-- Conformance Information

udpliteMIBConformance OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { udpliteMIB 2 }

udpliteMIBCompliance MODULE-COMPLIANCE

```
current
STATUS
DESCRIPTION
       "The compliance statement for systems that implement
        UDP-Lite.
        There are a number of INDEX objects that cannot be
        represented in the form of OBJECT clauses in SMIv2,
        but for which we have the following compliance
        requirements, expressed in OBJECT clause form in this
        description clause:
        -- OBJECT
                       udpliteEndpointLocalAddressType
        -- SYNTAX
                       InetAddressType { unknown(0), ipv4(1),
                                          ipv6(2), ipv4z(3),
        - -
                                          ipv6z(4) }
        - -
        -- DESCRIPTION
               Support for dns(16) is not required.
        - -
        -- OBJECT
                       udpliteEndpointLocalAddress
        -- SYNTAX
                       InetAddress (SIZE(0|4|8|16|20))
        -- DESCRIPTION
        - -
               Support is only required for zero-length
               octet-strings, and for scoped and unscoped
        - -
        - -
               IPv4 and IPv6 addresses.
                       udpliteEndpointRemoteAddressType
        -- OBJECT
        -- SYNTAX
                       InetAddressType { unknown(0), ipv4(1),
                                          ipv6(2), ipv4z(3),
        - -
                                          ipv6z(4) }
        -- DESCRIPTION
               Support for dns(16) is not required.
        - -
        -- OBJECT
                       udpliteEndpointRemoteAddress
        -- SYNTAX
                       InetAddress (SIZE(0|4|8|16|20))
        -- DESCRIPTION
               Support is only required for zero-length
        - -
               octet-strings, and for scoped and unscoped
        - -
               IPv4 and IPv6 addresses.
        - -
       ...
MODULE -- this module
     MANDATORY-GROUPS { udpliteBaseGroup,
                        udplitePartialCsumGroup,
                        udpliteEndpointGroup
                                                 }
 GROUP
                     udpliteAppGroup
 DESCRIPTION
        "This group is optional and provides supplementary
         information about the effectiveness of using minimum
         checksum coverage thresholds on endpoints."
```

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                     MIB for the UDP-Lite protocol
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       ::= { udpliteMIBConformance 1 }
  udpliteMIBGroups OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { udpliteMIBConformance 2 }
  udpliteBaseGroup OBJECT-GROUP
                                         -- as in UDP
      OBJECTS
                { udpliteInDatagrams, udpliteNoPorts, udpliteInErrors,
                   udpliteOutDatagrams, udpliteStatsDiscontinuityTime }
      STATUS
                 current
      DESCRIPTION
              "The group of objects providing for counters of
              basic UDP-like statistics."
       ::= { udpliteMIBGroups 1 }
  udplitePartialCsumGroup OBJECT-GROUP -- specific to UDP-Lite
  OBJECTS
            { udpliteInPartialCov,
              udpliteInBadChecksum,
               udpliteOutPartialCov }
      STATUS
                 current
      DESCRIPTION
              "The group of objects providing for counters of
              transport-layer statistics exclusive to UDP-Lite."
       ::= { udpliteMIBGroups 2 }
  udpliteEndpointGroup OBJECT-GROUP
                 { udpliteEndpointProcess, udpliteEndpointMinCoverage }
      OBJECTS
      STATUS
                 current
      DESCRIPTION
              "The group of objects providing for the IP version
              independent management of UDP-Lite 'endpoints'."
       ::= { udpliteMIBGroups 3 }
  udpliteAppGroup OBJECT-GROUP
                 { udpliteEndpointViolCoverage }
      OBJECTS
      STATUS
                 current
      DESCRIPTION
              "The group of objects that provide application-level
              information for the configuration management of
              UDP-Lite 'endpoints'."
       ::= { udpliteMIBGroups 4 }
```

4. 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:

Since UDP-Lite permits the delivery of (partially) corrupted data to an end host, the counters defined in this MIB module may be used to infer information about the characteristics of the end-to-end path over which the datagrams are communicated.

The indices of the udpliteEndpointTable contain information about the listeners on an entity. In particular, the udpliteEndpointLocalPort and udpliteLocalPort objects in the indices can be used to identify what ports are open on the machine and which attacks are likely to succeed, without the attacker having to run a port scanner. The table also identifies the currently listening UDP-Lite ports. This could be used to infer the type of application associated with the port at the receiver. The udpliteEndpointMinCoverage provides information about the requirements of the transport service associated with a specific UDP-Lite port. This provides additional detail concerning the type of application associated with the port at the receiver.

SNMP versions prior to SNMPv3 did not include adequate security. Even if the network itself is secure (for example by using IPsec), even then, 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.

It is RECOMMENDED that implementers consider the security features as provided by the SNMPv3 framework (see RFC 3410 [RFC3410], section 8), including full support for the SNMPv3 cryptographic mechanisms (for authentication and privacy).

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.

5. IANA Considerations

The MIB module in this document uses the following IANA-assigned OBJECT IDENTIFIER values recorded in the SMI Numbers registry:

> +----+ | Descriptor | OBJECT IDENTIFIER value | +----+ | udpliteMIB | { mib-2 XXX } | +-----+

==> Note to the RFC Editor (to be removed prior to publication):

The IANA is requested to assign a value for "XXX" under the 'mib-2' subtree and to record the assignment in the SMI Numbers registry. When the assignment has been made, the RFC Editor is asked to replace "XXX" (here and in the MIB module) with the assigned value and to remove this note.

<u>6</u>. Acknowledgments

The design of the MIB module presented in this document owes much to the format of the module presented in [RFC4113].

==> NOTE TO THE RFC EDITOR: PLEASE REMOVE THIS LOG PRIOR TO PUBLICATION

Revision 00 of draft-ietf-tsvwg-udplite-mib was obsoleted by revision 01 due to a syntax error (quote transposed with full-stop) in the MIB module, which is corrected in rev-01. Thanks to Magnus Westerlund for identifying this.

Draft draft-ietf-tsvwg-udplite-mib-00 was published as a work item of tsvwg, June 2007.

The following changelog lists the changes up to revision 02 (which became rev-00/01 of this document) of the preceding individual draft submission draft-renker-tsvwg-udplite-mib.

Changes introduced in rev-01:

- o General:
 - incremented revision number to 01
 - updated date to November
 - rephrased abstract
- o Section 1:
 - rephrased the beginning of the second paragraph

o <u>Section 1.1</u>:

- rephrased some items
- added missing InBadChecksum heading
- updated text to refer to 64bit counters

o Section 1.3:

- removed 'x' in 'datagrams'
- rephrased for clarity
- Figure 1: missing bracketed text should be InErrors
- Figure 1: correction NoPorts are not counted as InDatagrams

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- o <u>Section 2</u>:
 - made the "Editor's Note" stand out more
- o Section 3 / MIB:
 - upgraded 11 32bit counters to 64bit
 - moved from experimental to mib-2
 - updated revision date
- o <u>Section 4</u>:
 - some minor changes
- o <u>Section 5</u>:
 - again highlighted the Editor's Note by using `==>' to make it consistent
- Changes introduced in rev-02:
- o General:
 - updated month, date, and revision
 - changed `transport layer entities' to `endpoints' in abstract
- o <u>Section 1</u>:
 - added missing comma after `option'
 - split explanatory clause after colon into standalone clause
- o <u>Section 1.1</u>:
 - added a bullet list of standard counters known from the UDP MIB
 - added a note that NoPorts does not increment InErrors
 - removed description of InBadCoverage (no longer in MIB, see below)
 - qualified note with on 64-bit counters wrt `non-error' counters, reflecting the change that all error counters have been changed to Counter32

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- Nit: changed `fairly recent' -> `more recent'

- removed traces of InBadCoverage (see below)

o Section 1.3:

- corrected figure 1 (NoPorts was inconsistent with text; Rec Coverage was incorrectly labelled, it didn't show EndpointViolCoverage; slight reformatting)

- Nit: `wrong value' -> `a wrong value'

- clarified that InBadChecksum can also serve as indicator of path bit error rate

- Nit: `which' -> `that' in `a setting may then ...' and `A configuration error may ...'

- removed traces of InBadCoverage (see below)

o <u>Section 3</u> (the MIB):

- updated LAST-UPDATED and REVISION to match the revision date

- updated the Copyright in DESCRIPTION from 2006 to 2007

- converted all error counters to Counter32, following IETF input for rev-01

- added a required IMPORTS statement for Counter32 to UDPLITE-MIB DEFINITIONS

- demoted the following error counters from Counter64 to Counter32: udpliteNoPorts, udpliteInErrors, updliteInBadChecksum, udpliteEndpointViolCoverage

- removed second, redundant MIB-2 number of udplite, following suggestion by Bill Fenner.

- updated warning about maximum number of sub-identifiers in udpliteEndpointEntry, to reflect new structure

- udplite now comes as entry number 1 in the udpliteMIB tree

- accordingly changed the identifier of udpliteMIBConformance to 2

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- updated all RFC editor notes with regard to the assignment of mib-2 identifier numbers (now only a single one required)

- updated section `IANA Considerations' with regard to this change

- removed the InBadCoverage counter since it is subsumed by InBadChecksum (see below)

- updated the following identifier numbers for consistency after removal: udpliteInBadChecksum (6 -> 5), udpliteOutDatagrams (7 -> 6), udpliteOutPartialCov (8 -> 7), udpliteEndpointTable (9 -> 8)

- removed udpliteInBadCoverage from udplitePartialCsumGroup

- extended the definition of InBadChecksum to include invalid checksum coverage

- added RFC 3828 references for udpliteEndpointMinCoverage and udpliteEndpointViolCoverage

- updated the description of udpliteEndpointInstance with respect to draft-persson-v6ops-mib-issue-01.txt, section 3.2

o <u>Section 7</u> (References):

- RFC 4113 (UDP MIB) becomes informative, not normative

o Note on the removal of InBadCoverage: Following rev-01, this counter has been removed since - with the exception of obviously buggy UDP-Lite stacks - it is subsumed by InBadChecksum. An illegal checksum value which is not the cause of a buggy implementation will in practically all cases lead to an incorrect checksum value, so that one counter implies information inherent in the other.

====> END OF NOTE TO THE RFC EDITOR <====

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