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## Definitions of Managed Objects for BGP-4

### Status of This Memo

This document specifies an Internet standards track protocol for the Internet community, and requests discussion and suggestions for improvements. Please refer to the current edition of the "Internet Official Protocol Standards" (STD 1) for the standardization state and status of this protocol. Distribution of this memo is unlimited.

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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 managed objects used for managing the Border Gateway Protocol Version 4 or lower.

The origin of this memo is from [RFC 1269](#) "Definitions of Managed Objects for the Border Gateway Protocol (Version 3)", which was updated to support BGP-4 in [RFC 1657](#). This memo fixes errors introduced when the MIB module was converted to use the SMIV2 language. This memo also updates references to the current SNMP framework documents.

This memo is intended to document deployed implementations of this MIB module in a historical context, to provide clarifications of some items, and to note errors where the MIB module fails to fully represent the BGP protocol. Work is currently in progress to replace this MIB module with a new one representing the current state of the BGP protocol and its extensions.

This document obsoletes [RFC 1269](#) and [RFC 1657](#).

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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 for managing the Border Gateway Protocol Version 4 or lower [[BGP4](#), [BGP4APP](#)].

This memo obsoletes [RFC 1657](#) and [RFC 1269](#).

## [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. Overview](#)

These objects are used to control and manage a BGP-4 implementation.

Apart from a few system-wide scalar objects, this MIB is broken into three tables: the BGP Peer Table, the BGP Received Path Attribute Table, and the BGP-4 Received Path Attribute Table. The BGP Peer Table contains information about state and current activity of connections with the BGP peers. The BGP Received Path Attribute Table contains path attributes received from all peers running BGP version 3 or less. The BGP-4 Received Path Attribute Table contains path attributes received from all BGP-4 peers. The actual attributes used in determining a route are a subset of the received attribute tables after local routing policy has been applied.



#### 4. Definitions

BGP4-MIB DEFINITIONS ::= BEGIN

IMPORTS

MODULE-IDENTITY, OBJECT-TYPE, NOTIFICATION-TYPE,  
IpAddress, Integer32, Counter32, Gauge32, mib-2  
FROM SNMPv2-SMI  
MODULE-COMPLIANCE, OBJECT-GROUP, NOTIFICATION-GROUP  
FROM SNMPv2-CONF;

bgp MODULE-IDENTITY

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DESCRIPTION

"The MIB module for the BGP-4 protocol.

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version of this MIB module is part of [RFC 4273](#);  
see the RFC itself for full legal notices."

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DESCRIPTION

"Changes from [RFC 1657](#):

- 1) Fixed the definitions of the notifications  
to make them equivalent to their initial  
definition in [RFC 1269](#).
- 2) Added compliance and conformance info.
- 3) Updated information for the values of  
bgpPeerNegotiatedVersion, bgp4PathAttrLocalPref,  
bgp4PathAttrCalcLocalPref,  
bgp4PathAttrMultiExitDisc,  
bgp4PathAttrASPathSegment.
- 4) Added additional clarification comments where  
needed.



- 5) Noted where objects do not fully reflect the protocol as Known Issues.
- 6) Updated the DESCRIPTION for the bgp4PathAttrAtomicAggregate object.
- 7) The following objects have had their DESCRIPTION clause modified to remove the text that suggested (using 'should' verb) initializing the counter to zero on a transition to the established state:  
    bgpPeerInUpdates, bgpPeerOutUpdates,  
    bgpPeerInTotalMessages, bgpPeerOutTotalMessages  
Those implementations that still do this are still compliant with this new wording.  
Applications should not assume counters have started at zero.

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REVISION "199405050000Z"

DESCRIPTION

"Translated to SMIV2 and published as [RFC 1657](#)."

REVISION "199110261839Z"

DESCRIPTION

"Initial version, published as [RFC 1269](#)."

::= { mib-2 15 }

bgpVersion OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX OCTET STRING (SIZE (1..255))

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"Vector of supported BGP protocol version numbers. Each peer negotiates the version from this vector. Versions are identified via the string of bits contained within this object. The first octet contains bits 0 to 7, the second octet contains bits 8 to 15, and so on, with the most significant bit referring to the lowest bit number in the octet (e.g., the MSB of the first octet refers to bit 0). If a bit, i, is present and set, then the version (i+1) of the BGP is supported."

REFERENCE

"[RFC 4271, Section 4.2](#)."

::= { bgp 1 }

bgpLocalAs OBJECT-TYPE



```
SYNTAX      Integer32 (0..65535)
MAX-ACCESS  read-only
STATUS      current
DESCRIPTION
    "The local autonomous system number."
REFERENCE
    "RFC 4271, Section 4.2, 'My Autonomous System'."
::= { bgp 2 }
```

```
-- BGP Peer table.  This table contains, one entry per
-- BGP peer, information about the BGP peer.
```

```
bgpPeerTable OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      SEQUENCE OF BgpPeerEntry
    MAX-ACCESS  not-accessible
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "BGP peer table.  This table contains,
         one entry per BGP peer, information about the
         connections with BGP peers."
    ::= { bgp 3 }
```

```
bgpPeerEntry OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      BgpPeerEntry
    MAX-ACCESS  not-accessible
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "Entry containing information about the
         connection with a BGP peer."
    INDEX { bgpPeerRemoteAddr }
    ::= { bgpPeerTable 1 }
```

```
BgpPeerEntry ::= SEQUENCE {
    bgpPeerIdentifier
        IPAddress,
    bgpPeerState
        INTEGER,
    bgpPeerAdminStatus
        INTEGER,
    bgpPeerNegotiatedVersion
        Integer32,
    bgpPeerLocalAddr
        IPAddress,
    bgpPeerLocalPort
        Integer32,
    bgpPeerRemoteAddr
        IPAddress,
    bgpPeerRemotePort
```





```

        Integer32,
    bgpPeerRemoteAs
        Integer32,
    bgpPeerInUpdates
        Counter32,
    bgpPeerOutUpdates
        Counter32,
    bgpPeerInTotalMessages
        Counter32,
    bgpPeerOutTotalMessages
        Counter32,
    bgpPeerLastError
        OCTET STRING,
    bgpPeerFsmEstablishedTransitions
        Counter32,
    bgpPeerFsmEstablishedTime
        Gauge32,
    bgpPeerConnectRetryInterval
        Integer32,
    bgpPeerHoldTime
        Integer32,
    bgpPeerKeepAlive
        Integer32,
    bgpPeerHoldTimeConfigured
        Integer32,
    bgpPeerKeepAliveConfigured
        Integer32,
    bgpPeerMinASOriginationInterval
        Integer32,
    bgpPeerMinRouteAdvertisementInterval
        Integer32,
    bgpPeerInUpdateElapsedTime
        Gauge32
}

```

#### bgpPeerIdentifier OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX       IpAddress

MAX-ACCESS   read-only

STATUS        current

#### DESCRIPTION

"The BGP Identifier of this entry's BGP peer.  
This entry MUST be 0.0.0.0 unless the  
bgpPeerState is in the openconfirm or the  
established state."

#### REFERENCE

"[RFC 4271, Section 4.2](#), 'BGP Identifier'."

::= { bgpPeerEntry 1 }



## bgpPeerState OBJECT-TYPE

```
SYNTAX      INTEGER {
                                idle(1),
                                connect(2),
                                active(3),
                                opensent(4),
                                openconfirm(5),
                                established(6)
                        }
MAX-ACCESS  read-only
STATUS      current
DESCRIPTION
    "The BGP peer connection state."
REFERENCE
    "RFC 4271, Section 8.2.2."
 ::= { bgpPeerEntry 2 }
```

## bgpPeerAdminStatus OBJECT-TYPE

```
SYNTAX      INTEGER {
                                stop(1),
                                start(2)
                        }
MAX-ACCESS  read-write
STATUS      current
DESCRIPTION
    "The desired state of the BGP connection.
    A transition from 'stop' to 'start' will cause
    the BGP Manual Start Event to be generated.
    A transition from 'start' to 'stop' will cause
    the BGP Manual Stop Event to be generated.
    This parameter can be used to restart BGP peer
    connections. Care should be used in providing
    write access to this object without adequate
    authentication."
REFERENCE
    "RFC 4271, Section 8.1.2."
 ::= { bgpPeerEntry 3 }
```

## bgpPeerNegotiatedVersion OBJECT-TYPE

```
SYNTAX      Integer32
MAX-ACCESS  read-only
STATUS      current
DESCRIPTION
    "The negotiated version of BGP running between
    the two peers.

    This entry MUST be zero (0) unless the
    bgpPeerState is in the openconfirm or the
```



established state.

Note that legal values for this object are between 0 and 255."

REFERENCE

["RFC 4271, Section 4.2.](#)

[RFC 4271, Section 7."](#)

::= { bgpPeerEntry 4 }

bgpPeerLocalAddr OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX IpAddress

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"The local IP address of this entry's BGP connection."

::= { bgpPeerEntry 5 }

bgpPeerLocalPort OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Integer32 (0..65535)

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"The local port for the TCP connection between the BGP peers."

::= { bgpPeerEntry 6 }

bgpPeerRemoteAddr OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX IpAddress

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"The remote IP address of this entry's BGP peer."

::= { bgpPeerEntry 7 }

bgpPeerRemotePort OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Integer32 (0..65535)

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"The remote port for the TCP connection between the BGP peers. Note that the objects bgpPeerLocalAddr, bgpPeerLocalPort, bgpPeerRemoteAddr, and bgpPeerRemotePort provide the appropriate reference to the standard MIB TCP connection table."



```
::= { bgpPeerEntry 8 }

bgpPeerRemoteAs OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      Integer32 (0..65535)
    MAX-ACCESS  read-only
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "The remote autonomous system number received in
        the BGP OPEN message."
    REFERENCE
        "RFC 4271, Section 4.2."
    ::= { bgpPeerEntry 9 }

bgpPeerInUpdates OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      Counter32
    MAX-ACCESS  read-only
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "The number of BGP UPDATE messages
        received on this connection."
    REFERENCE
        "RFC 4271, Section 4.3."
    ::= { bgpPeerEntry 10 }

bgpPeerOutUpdates OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      Counter32
    MAX-ACCESS  read-only
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "The number of BGP UPDATE messages
        transmitted on this connection."
    REFERENCE
        "RFC 4271, Section 4.3."
    ::= { bgpPeerEntry 11 }

bgpPeerInTotalMessages OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      Counter32
    MAX-ACCESS  read-only
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "The total number of messages received
        from the remote peer on this connection."
    REFERENCE
        "RFC 4271, Section 4."
    ::= { bgpPeerEntry 12 }

bgpPeerOutTotalMessages OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      Counter32
```





MAX-ACCESS read-only  
STATUS current  
DESCRIPTION  
    "The total number of messages transmitted to  
        the remote peer on this connection."  
REFERENCE  
    "[RFC 4271, Section 4.](#)"  
 ::= { bgpPeerEntry 13 }

bgpPeerLastError OBJECT-TYPE  
SYNTAX OCTET STRING (SIZE (2))  
MAX-ACCESS read-only  
STATUS current  
DESCRIPTION  
    "The last error code and subcode seen by this  
        peer on this connection. If no error has  
        occurred, this field is zero. Otherwise, the  
        first byte of this two byte OCTET STRING  
        contains the error code, and the second byte  
        contains the subcode."  
REFERENCE  
    "[RFC 4271, Section 4.5.](#)"  
 ::= { bgpPeerEntry 14 }

bgpPeerFsmEstablishedTransitions OBJECT-TYPE  
SYNTAX Counter32  
MAX-ACCESS read-only  
STATUS current  
DESCRIPTION  
    "The total number of times the BGP FSM  
        transitioned into the established state  
        for this peer."  
REFERENCE  
    "[RFC 4271, Section 8.](#)"  
 ::= { bgpPeerEntry 15 }

bgpPeerFsmEstablishedTime OBJECT-TYPE  
SYNTAX Gauge32  
UNITS "seconds"  
MAX-ACCESS read-only  
STATUS current  
DESCRIPTION  
    "This timer indicates how long (in  
        seconds) this peer has been in the  
        established state or how long  
        since this peer was last in the  
        established state. It is set to zero when  
        a new peer is configured or when the router is



```
        booted."
REFERENCE
    "RFC 4271, Section 8."
 ::= { bgpPeerEntry 16 }
```

bgpPeerConnectRetryInterval OBJECT-TYPE

```
SYNTAX      Integer32 (1..65535)
UNITS       "seconds"
MAX-ACCESS  read-write
STATUS      current
DESCRIPTION
    "Time interval (in seconds) for the
     ConnectRetry timer. The suggested value
     for this timer is 120 seconds."
REFERENCE
    "RFC 4271, Section 8.2.2. This is the value used
     to initialize the 'ConnectRetryTimer'."
 ::= { bgpPeerEntry 17 }
```

bgpPeerHoldTime OBJECT-TYPE

```
SYNTAX      Integer32 ( 0 | 3..65535 )
UNITS       "seconds"
MAX-ACCESS  read-only
STATUS      current
DESCRIPTION
    "Time interval (in seconds) for the Hold
     Timer established with the peer. The
     value of this object is calculated by this
     BGP speaker, using the smaller of the
     values in bgpPeerHoldTimeConfigured and the
     Hold Time received in the OPEN message.

     This value must be at least three seconds
     if it is not zero (0).

     If the Hold Timer has not been established
     with the peer this object MUST have a value
     of zero (0).

     If the bgpPeerHoldTimeConfigured object has
     a value of (0), then this object MUST have a
     value of (0)."
```

REFERENCE

```
    "RFC 4271, Section 4.2."
 ::= { bgpPeerEntry 18 }
```

bgpPeerKeepAlive OBJECT-TYPE

```
SYNTAX      Integer32 ( 0 | 1..21845 )
```



UNITS "seconds"

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"Time interval (in seconds) for the KeepAlive timer established with the peer. The value of this object is calculated by this BGP speaker such that, when compared with bgpPeerHoldTime, it has the same proportion that bgpPeerKeepAliveConfigured has, compared with bgpPeerHoldTimeConfigured.

If the KeepAlive timer has not been established with the peer, this object MUST have a value of zero (0).

If the of bgpPeerKeepAliveConfigured object has a value of (0), then this object MUST have a value of (0)."

REFERENCE

["RFC 4271, Section 4.4."](#)

::= { bgpPeerEntry 19 }

bgpPeerHoldTimeConfigured OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Integer32 ( 0 | 3..65535 )

UNITS "seconds"

MAX-ACCESS read-write

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"Time interval (in seconds) for the Hold Time configured for this BGP speaker with this peer. This value is placed in an OPEN message sent to this peer by this BGP speaker, and is compared with the Hold Time field in an OPEN message received from the peer when determining the Hold Time (bgpPeerHoldTime) with the peer. This value must not be less than three seconds if it is not zero (0). If it is zero (0), the Hold Time is NOT to be established with the peer. The suggested value for this timer is 90 seconds."

REFERENCE

["RFC 4271, Section 4.2."](#)

[RFC 4271, Section 10."](#)

::= { bgpPeerEntry 20 }

bgpPeerKeepAliveConfigured OBJECT-TYPE



SYNTAX Integer32 ( 0 | 1..21845 )  
UNITS "seconds"  
MAX-ACCESS read-write  
STATUS current  
DESCRIPTION  
    "Time interval (in seconds) for the  
    KeepAlive timer configured for this BGP  
    speaker with this peer. The value of this  
    object will only determine the  
    KEEPALIVE messages' frequency relative to  
    the value specified in  
    bgpPeerHoldTimeConfigured; the actual  
    time interval for the KEEPALIVE messages is  
    indicated by bgpPeerKeepAlive. A  
    reasonable maximum value for this timer  
    would be one third of that of  
    bgpPeerHoldTimeConfigured.  
    If the value of this object is zero (0),  
    no periodical KEEPALIVE messages are sent  
    to the peer after the BGP connection has  
    been established. The suggested value for  
    this timer is 30 seconds."

## REFERENCE

"[RFC 4271, Section 4.4.](#)  
[RFC 4271, Section 10.](#)"

::= { bgpPeerEntry 21 }

## bgpPeerMinASOriginationInterval OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Integer32 (1..65535)  
UNITS "seconds"  
MAX-ACCESS read-write  
STATUS current  
DESCRIPTION  
    "Time interval (in seconds) for the  
    MinASOriginationInterval timer.  
    The suggested value for this timer is 15  
    seconds."

## REFERENCE

"[RFC 4271, Section 9.2.1.2.](#)  
[RFC 4271, Section 10.](#)"

::= { bgpPeerEntry 22 }

## bgpPeerMinRouteAdvertisementInterval OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Integer32 (1..65535)  
UNITS "seconds"  
MAX-ACCESS read-write  
STATUS current  
DESCRIPTION





"Time interval (in seconds) for the  
MinRouteAdvertisementInterval timer.  
The suggested value for this timer is 30  
seconds for EBGP connections and 5  
seconds for IBGP connections."

## REFERENCE

"[RFC 4271, Section 9.2.1.1.](#)  
[RFC 4271, Section 10.](#)"

::= { bgpPeerEntry 23 }

## bgpPeerInUpdateElapsedTime OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Gauge32

UNITS "seconds"

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

## DESCRIPTION

"Elapsed time (in seconds) since the last BGP  
UPDATE message was received from the peer.  
Each time bgpPeerInUpdates is incremented,  
the value of this object is set to zero (0)."

## REFERENCE

"[RFC 4271, Section 4.3.](#)  
[RFC 4271, Section 8.2.2](#), Established state."

::= { bgpPeerEntry 24 }

## bgpIdentifier OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX IpAddress

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

## DESCRIPTION

"The BGP Identifier of the local system."

## REFERENCE

"[RFC 4271, Section 4.2.](#)"

::= { bgp 4 }

-- BGP Received Path Attribute Table. This table contains  
-- one entry per path to a network, and path attributes  
-- received from all peers running BGP version 3 or less.  
-- This table is obsolete, having been replaced in  
-- functionality by the bgp4PathAttrTable.

## bgpRcvdPathAttrTable OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX SEQUENCE OF BgpPathAttrEntry

MAX-ACCESS not-accessible

STATUS obsolete

## DESCRIPTION

"The BGP Received Path Attribute Table  
contains information about paths to



```
        destination networks, received from all
        peers running BGP version 3 or less."
 ::= { bgp 5 }

bgpPathAttrEntry OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      BgpPathAttrEntry
    MAX-ACCESS  not-accessible
    STATUS      obsolete
    DESCRIPTION
        "Information about a path to a network."
    INDEX { bgpPathAttrDestNetwork,
            bgpPathAttrPeer      }
    ::= { bgpRcvdPathAttrTable 1 }

BgpPathAttrEntry ::= SEQUENCE {
    bgpPathAttrPeer
        IPAddress,
    bgpPathAttrDestNetwork
        IPAddress,
    bgpPathAttrOrigin
        INTEGER,
    bgpPathAttrASPath
        OCTET STRING,
    bgpPathAttrNextHop
        IPAddress,
    bgpPathAttrInterASMetric
        Integer32
}

bgpPathAttrPeer OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      IPAddress
    MAX-ACCESS  read-only
    STATUS      obsolete
    DESCRIPTION
        "The IP address of the peer where the path
        information was learned."
    ::= { bgpPathAttrEntry 1 }

bgpPathAttrDestNetwork OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      IPAddress
    MAX-ACCESS  read-only
    STATUS      obsolete
    DESCRIPTION
        "The address of the destination network."
    REFERENCE
        "RFC 1267, Section 4.3."
    ::= { bgpPathAttrEntry 2 }
```



## bgpPathAttrOrigin OBJECT-TYPE

```
SYNTAX      INTEGER {
                igp(1), -- networks are interior
                egp(2), -- networks learned via the
                        -- EGP protocol
                incomplete(3) -- networks that
                        -- are learned by some other
                        -- means
            }
MAX-ACCESS  read-only
STATUS      obsolete
DESCRIPTION
    "The ultimate origin of the path information."
REFERENCE
    "RFC 1267, Section 4.3.
     RFC 1267, Section 5."
 ::= { bgpPathAttrEntry 3 }
```

## bgpPathAttrASPath OBJECT-TYPE

```
SYNTAX      OCTET STRING (SIZE (2..255))
MAX-ACCESS  read-only
STATUS      obsolete
DESCRIPTION
    "The set of ASes that must be traversed to reach
     the network.  This object is probably best
     represented as SEQUENCE OF INTEGER.  For SMI
     compatibility, though, it is represented as
     OCTET STRING.  Each AS is represented as a pair
     of octets according to the following algorithm:

                first-byte-of-pair = ASNumber / 256;
                second-byte-of-pair = ASNumber & 255;"
REFERENCE
    "RFC 1267, Section 4.3.
     RFC 1267, Section 5."
 ::= { bgpPathAttrEntry 4 }
```

## bgpPathAttrNextHop OBJECT-TYPE

```
SYNTAX      IpAddress
MAX-ACCESS  read-only
STATUS      obsolete
DESCRIPTION
    "The address of the border router that should
     be used for the destination network."
REFERENCE
    "RFC 1267, Section 4.3.
     RFC 1267, Section 5."
 ::= { bgpPathAttrEntry 5 }
```



## bgpPathAttrInterASMetric OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Integer32

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS obsolete

## DESCRIPTION

"The optional inter-AS metric. If this attribute has not been provided for this route, the value for this object is 0."

## REFERENCE

["RFC 1267, Section 4.3.](#)

[RFC 1267, Section 5."](#)

::= { bgpPathAttrEntry 6 }

-- BGP-4 Received Path Attribute Table. This table  
 -- contains one entry per path to a network, and path  
 -- attributes received from all peers running BGP-4.

## bgp4PathAttrTable OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX SEQUENCE OF Bgp4PathAttrEntry

MAX-ACCESS not-accessible

STATUS current

## DESCRIPTION

"The BGP-4 Received Path Attribute Table contains information about paths to destination networks, received from all BGP4 peers."

::= { bgp 6 }

## bgp4PathAttrEntry OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Bgp4PathAttrEntry

MAX-ACCESS not-accessible

STATUS current

## DESCRIPTION

"Information about a path to a network."

INDEX { bgp4PathAttrIpAddressPrefix,  
 bgp4PathAttrIpAddressPrefixLen,  
 bgp4PathAttrPeer }

::= { bgp4PathAttrTable 1 }

Bgp4PathAttrEntry ::= SEQUENCE {

bgp4PathAttrPeer

IpAddress,

bgp4PathAttrIpAddressPrefixLen

Integer32,

bgp4PathAttrIpAddressPrefix

IpAddress,

bgp4PathAttrOrigin

INTEGER,





```
    bgp4PathAttrASPathSegment
        OCTET STRING,
    bgp4PathAttrNextHop
        IPAddress,
    bgp4PathAttrMultiExitDisc
        Integer32,
    bgp4PathAttrLocalPref
        Integer32,
    bgp4PathAttrAtomicAggregate
        INTEGER,
    bgp4PathAttrAggregatorAS
        Integer32,
    bgp4PathAttrAggregatorAddr
        IPAddress,
    bgp4PathAttrCalcLocalPref
        Integer32,
    bgp4PathAttrBest
        INTEGER,
    bgp4PathAttrUnknown
        OCTET STRING
}

bgp4PathAttrPeer OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      IPAddress
    MAX-ACCESS  read-only
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "The IP address of the peer where the path
        information was learned."
    ::= { bgp4PathAttrEntry 1 }

bgp4PathAttrIpAddrPrefixLen OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      Integer32 (0..32)
    MAX-ACCESS  read-only
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "Length in bits of the IP address prefix in
        the Network Layer Reachability
        Information field."
    ::= { bgp4PathAttrEntry 2 }

bgp4PathAttrIpAddrPrefix OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      IPAddress
    MAX-ACCESS  read-only
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "An IP address prefix in the Network Layer
        Reachability Information field.  This object
```



is an IP address containing the prefix with length specified by `bgp4PathAttrIpAddrPrefixLen`. Any bits beyond the length specified by `bgp4PathAttrIpAddrPrefixLen` are zeroed."

## REFERENCE

"[RFC 4271, Section 4.3.](#)"

::= { `bgp4PathAttrEntry 3` }

`bgp4PathAttrOrigin` OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX INTEGER {  
     `igp(1)`, -- networks are interior  
     `egp(2)`, -- networks learned via the  
         -- EGP protocol  
     `incomplete(3)` -- networks that  
         -- are learned by some other  
         -- means  
 }

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

## DESCRIPTION

"The ultimate origin of the path information."

## REFERENCE

"[RFC 4271, Section 4.3.](#)  
[RFC 4271, Section 5.1.1.](#)"

::= { `bgp4PathAttrEntry 4` }

`bgp4PathAttrASPathSegment` OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX OCTET STRING (SIZE (2..255))

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

## DESCRIPTION

"The sequence of AS path segments. Each AS path segment is represented by a triple <type, length, value>."

The type is a 1-octet field that has two possible values:

- 1      `AS_SET`: unordered set of ASes that a route in the UPDATE message has traversed
- 2      `AS_SEQUENCE`: ordered set of ASes that a route in the UPDATE message has traversed.

The length is a 1-octet field containing the



number of ASes in the value field.

The value field contains one or more AS numbers. Each AS is represented in the octet string as a pair of octets according to the following algorithm:

first-byte-of-pair = ASNumber / 256;  
second-byte-of-pair = ASNumber & 255;

Known Issues:

- o BGP Confederations will result in a type of either 3 or 4.
- o An AS Path may be longer than 255 octets. This may result in this object containing a truncated AS Path."

REFERENCE

"[RFC 4271, Section 4.3.](#)  
[RFC 4271, Section 5.1.2.](#)"

::= { bgp4PathAttrEntry 5 }

bgp4PathAttrNextHop OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX IpAddress

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"The address of the border router that should be used for the destination network. This address is the NEXT\_HOP address received in the UPDATE packet."

REFERENCE

"[RFC 4271, Section 4.3.](#)  
[RFC 4271, Section 5.1.3.](#)"

::= { bgp4PathAttrEntry 6 }

bgp4PathAttrMultiExitDisc OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Integer32 (-1..2147483647)

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"This metric is used to discriminate between multiple exit points to an adjacent autonomous system. A value of -1 indicates the absence of this attribute."

Known Issues:

- o The BGP-4 specification uses an unsigned 32 bit number. Thus, this



object cannot represent the full  
range of the protocol."

## REFERENCE

"[RFC 4271, Section 4.3.](#)  
[RFC 4271, Section 5.1.4.](#)"

::= { bgp4PathAttrEntry 7 }

## bgp4PathAttrLocalPref OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Integer32 (-1..2147483647)

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

## DESCRIPTION

"The originating BGP4 speaker's degree of  
preference for an advertised route. A  
value of -1 indicates the absence of this  
attribute.

## Known Issues:

- o The BGP-4 specification uses an  
unsigned 32 bit number and thus this  
object cannot represent the full  
range of the protocol."

## REFERENCE

"[RFC 4271, Section 4.3.](#)  
[RFC 4271, Section 5.1.5.](#)"

::= { bgp4PathAttrEntry 8 }

## bgp4PathAttrAtomicAggregate OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX INTEGER {  
    lessSpecificRouteNotSelected(1),  
    -- Typo corrected from [RFC 1657](#)  
    lessSpecificRouteSelected(2)  
}

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

## DESCRIPTION

"If the ATOMIC\_AGGREGATE attribute is present  
in the Path Attributes then this object MUST  
have a value of 'lessSpecificRouteNotSelected'.

If the ATOMIC\_AGGREGATE attribute is missing  
in the Path Attributes then this object MUST  
have a value of 'lessSpecificRouteSelected'.

Note that ATOMIC\_AGGREGATE is now a primarily  
informational attribute."

## REFERENCE

"[RFC 4271](#), Sections [5.1.6](#) and [9.1.4](#)."





::= { bgp4PathAttrEntry 9 }

bgp4PathAttrAggregatorAS OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Integer32 (0..65535)

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"The AS number of the last BGP4 speaker that performed route aggregation. A value of zero (0) indicates the absence of this attribute.

Note that propagation of AS of zero is illegal in the Internet."

REFERENCE

["RFC 4271, Section 5.1.7.](#)

[RFC 4271, Section 9.2.2.2."](#)

::= { bgp4PathAttrEntry 10 }

bgp4PathAttrAggregatorAddr OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX IPAddress

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"The IP address of the last BGP4 speaker that performed route aggregation. A value of 0.0.0.0 indicates the absence of this attribute."

REFERENCE

["RFC 4271, Section 5.1.7.](#)

[RFC 4271, Section 9.2.2.2."](#)

::= { bgp4PathAttrEntry 11 }

bgp4PathAttrCalcLocalPref OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Integer32 (-1..2147483647)

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"The degree of preference calculated by the receiving BGP4 speaker for an advertised route. A value of -1 indicates the absence of this attribute.

Known Issues:

- o The BGP-4 specification uses an unsigned 32 bit number and thus this object cannot represent the full range of the protocol."



## REFERENCE

["RFC 4271, Section 9.1.1."](#)

::= { bgp4PathAttrEntry 12 }

## bgp4PathAttrBest OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX INTEGER {  
false(1), -- not chosen as best route  
true(2) -- chosen as best route  
}

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

## DESCRIPTION

"An indication of whether this route  
was chosen as the best BGP4 route for this  
destination."

## REFERENCE

["RFC 4271, Section 9.1.2."](#)

::= { bgp4PathAttrEntry 13 }

## bgp4PathAttrUnknown OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX OCTET STRING (SIZE(0..255))

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

## DESCRIPTION

"One or more path attributes not understood by  
this BGP4 speaker."

Path attributes are recorded in the Update Path  
attribute format of type, length, value.

Size zero (0) indicates the absence of such  
attributes.

Octets beyond the maximum size, if any, are not  
recorded by this object.

## Known Issues:

- o Attributes understood by this speaker, but not  
represented in this MIB, are unavailable to  
the agent."

## REFERENCE

["RFC 4271, Section 5."](#)

::= { bgp4PathAttrEntry 14 }

-- Traps.

-- Note that in [RFC 1657](#), bgpTraps was incorrectly

-- assigned a value of { bgp 7 } and each of the

-- traps had the bgpPeerRemoteAddr object inappropriately



```
-- removed from their OBJECTS clause. The following
-- definitions restore the semantics of the traps as
-- they were initially defined in RFC 1269.
```

```
bgpNotification OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { bgp 0 }
```

```
bgpEstablishedNotification NOTIFICATION-TYPE
```

```
    OBJECTS { bgpPeerRemoteAddr,
               bgpPeerLastError,
               bgpPeerState      }
```

```
    STATUS current
```

```
    DESCRIPTION
```

```
        "The bgpEstablishedNotification event is generated
        when the BGP FSM enters the established state.
```

```
        This Notification replaces the bgpEstablished
        Notification."
```

```
    ::= { bgpNotification 1 }
```

```
bgpBackwardTransNotification NOTIFICATION-TYPE
```

```
    OBJECTS { bgpPeerRemoteAddr,
               bgpPeerLastError,
               bgpPeerState      }
```

```
    STATUS current
```

```
    DESCRIPTION
```

```
        "The bgpBackwardTransNotification event is
        generated when the BGP FSM moves from a higher
        numbered state to a lower numbered state.
```

```
        This Notification replaces the
        bgpBackwardsTransition Notification."
```

```
    ::= { bgpNotification 2 }
```

```
-- { bgp 7 } is deprecated. Do not allocate new objects or
-- notifications underneath this branch.
```

```
bgpTraps          OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { bgp 7 } -- deprecated
```

```
bgpEstablished NOTIFICATION-TYPE
```

```
    OBJECTS { bgpPeerLastError,
               bgpPeerState      }
```

```
    STATUS deprecated
```

```
    DESCRIPTION
```

```
        "The bgpEstablished event is generated when
        the BGP FSM enters the established state.
```

```
        This Notification has been replaced by the
        bgpEstablishedNotification Notification."
```



```
 ::= { bgpTraps 1 }

bgpBackwardTransition NOTIFICATION-TYPE
  OBJECTS { bgpPeerLastError,
             bgpPeerState      }
  STATUS deprecated
  DESCRIPTION
    "The bgpBackwardTransition event is generated
     when the BGP FSM moves from a higher numbered
     state to a lower numbered state.

     This Notification has been replaced by the
     bgpBackwardTransNotification Notification."
  ::= { bgpTraps 2 }

-- Conformance information

bgp4MIBConformance OBJECT IDENTIFIER
  ::= { bgp 8 }
bgp4MIBCompliances OBJECT IDENTIFIER
  ::= { bgp4MIBConformance 1 }
bgp4MIBGroups      OBJECT IDENTIFIER
  ::= { bgp4MIBConformance 2 }

-- Compliance statements

bgp4MIBCompliance MODULE-COMPLIANCE
  STATUS current
  DESCRIPTION
    "The compliance statement for entities which
     implement the BGP4 mib."
  MODULE -- this module
    MANDATORY-GROUPS { bgp4MIBGlobalsGroup,
                       bgp4MIBPeerGroup,
                       bgp4MIBPathAttrGroup }
    GROUP bgp4MIBNotificationGroup
    DESCRIPTION
      "Implementation of BGP Notifications are
       completely optional in this MIB."
  ::= { bgp4MIBCompliances 1 }

bgp4MIBDeprecatedCompliances MODULE-COMPLIANCE
  STATUS deprecated
  DESCRIPTION
    "The compliance statement documenting deprecated
     objects in the BGP4 mib."
  MODULE -- this module
    GROUP bgp4MIBTrapGroup
```





## DESCRIPTION

"Group containing TRAP objects that were  
improperly converted from SMIV1 in [RFC 1657](#).  
The proper semantics have been restored  
with the objects in bgp4MIBNotificationGroup."

::= { bgp4MIBCompliances 2 }

## bgp4MIBObsoleteCompliances MODULE-COMPLIANCE

STATUS obsolete

## DESCRIPTION

"The compliance statement documenting obsolete  
objects in the BGP4 mib."

MODULE -- this module

GROUP bgpRcvdPathAttrGroup

## DESCRIPTION

"Group containing objects relevant to BGP-3  
and earlier objects."

::= { bgp4MIBCompliances 3 }

-- Units of conformance

## bgp4MIBGlobalsGroup OBJECT-GROUP

OBJECTS { bgpVersion,  
          bgpLocalAs,  
          bgpIdentifier }

STATUS current

## DESCRIPTION

"A collection of objects providing  
information on global BGP state."

::= { bgp4MIBGroups 1 }

## bgp4MIBPeerGroup OBJECT-GROUP

OBJECTS { bgpPeerIdentifier,  
          bgpPeerState,  
          bgpPeerAdminStatus,  
          bgpPeerNegotiatedVersion,  
          bgpPeerLocalAddr,  
          bgpPeerLocalPort,  
          bgpPeerRemoteAddr,  
          bgpPeerRemotePort,  
          bgpPeerRemoteAs,  
          bgpPeerInUpdates,  
          bgpPeerOutUpdates,  
          bgpPeerInTotalMessages,  
          bgpPeerOutTotalMessages,  
          bgpPeerLastError,  
          bgpPeerFsmEstablishedTransitions,  
          bgpPeerFsmEstablishedTime,



```
        bgpPeerConnectRetryInterval,
        bgpPeerHoldTime,
        bgpPeerKeepAlive,
        bgpPeerHoldTimeConfigured,
        bgpPeerKeepAliveConfigured,
        bgpPeerMinASOriginationInterval,
        bgpPeerMinRouteAdvertisementInterval,
        bgpPeerInUpdateElapsedTime }
STATUS    current
DESCRIPTION
    "A collection of objects for managing
    BGP peers."
 ::= { bgp4MIBGroups 2 }

bgpRcvdPathAttrGroup OBJECT-GROUP
OBJECTS { bgpPathAttrPeer,
          bgpPathAttrDestNetwork,
          bgpPathAttrOrigin,
          bgpPathAttrASPath,
          bgpPathAttrNextHop,
          bgpPathAttrInterASMetric }
STATUS    obsolete
DESCRIPTION
    "A collection of objects for managing BGP-3 and
    earlier path entries.

    This conformance group, like BGP-3, is obsolete."
 ::= { bgp4MIBGroups 3 }

bgp4MIBPathAttrGroup OBJECT-GROUP
OBJECTS { bgp4PathAttrPeer,
          bgp4PathAttrIpAddrPrefixLen,
          bgp4PathAttrIpAddrPrefix,
          bgp4PathAttrOrigin,
          bgp4PathAttrASPathSegment,
          bgp4PathAttrNextHop,
          bgp4PathAttrMultiExitDisc,
          bgp4PathAttrLocalPref,
          bgp4PathAttrAtomicAggregate,
          bgp4PathAttrAggregatorAS,
          bgp4PathAttrAggregatorAddr,
          bgp4PathAttrCalcLocalPref,
          bgp4PathAttrBest,
          bgp4PathAttrUnknown }
STATUS    current
DESCRIPTION
    "A collection of objects for managing
    BGP path entries."
```



```
 ::= { bgp4MIBGroups 4 }

bgp4MIBTrapGroup NOTIFICATION-GROUP
  NOTIFICATIONS { bgpEstablished,
                  bgpBackwardTransition }
  STATUS deprecated
  DESCRIPTION
    "A collection of notifications for signaling
     changes in BGP peer relationships.

     Obsoleted by bgp4MIBNotificationGroup"
 ::= { bgp4MIBGroups 5 }

bgp4MIBNotificationGroup NOTIFICATION-GROUP
  NOTIFICATIONS { bgpEstablishedNotification,
                  bgpBackwardTransNotification }
  STATUS current
  DESCRIPTION
    "A collection of notifications for signaling
     changes in BGP peer relationships.

     Obsoletes bgp4MIBTrapGroup."
 ::= { bgp4MIBGroups 6 }

END
```

## 5. Security Considerations

This MIB relates to a system providing inter-domain routing. As such, improper manipulation of the objects represented by this MIB may result in denial of service to a large number of end-users.

There are several management objects defined in this MIB that have a MAX-ACCESS clause of read-write and/or read-create. Such objects should be considered sensitive or vulnerable in most network environments. The support for SET operations in a non-secure environment without proper protection can have a negative effect on network operations. These objects include:

- o bgpPeerAdminStatus

Improper change of bgpPeerAdminStatus, from start to stop, can cause significant disruption of the connectivity to those portions of the Internet reached via the applicable remote BGP peer.



- o bgpPeerConnectRetryInterval

Improper change of this object can cause connections to be disrupted for extremely long time periods when otherwise they would be restored in a relatively short period of time.

- o bgpPeerHoldTimeConfigured, bgpPeerKeepAliveConfigured

Misconfiguration of these objects can make BGP sessions more fragile and less resilient to denial of service attacks on the inter-domain routing system.

- o bgpPeerMinASOriginationInterval,  
bgpPeerMinRouteAdvertisementInterval

Misconfiguration of these objects may adversely affect global Internet convergence of the routes advertised by this BGP speaker. This may result in long-lived routing loops and blackholes for the portions of the Internet that utilize these routes.

There are a number of managed objects in this MIB that contain sensitive information regarding the operation of a network. For example, a BGP peer's local and remote addresses might be sensitive for ISPs who want to keep interface addresses on routers confidential in order to prevent router addresses used for a denial of service attack or spoofing.

Therefore, it is important in most environments to control read access to these objects and possibly to even encrypt the values of these object when sending them over the network via SNMP.

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 [\[RFC3410\]](#), [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.

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