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## Packet Number management in MR

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### Introduction

In multi-hop relay system, RSs in a security zone use group key for authentication of control messages transmitted over relay links. Current spec defines a UL and DL PN pair to be used with a key. However, since PN is not shared between multiple sources of messages, that will create inconsistency between PNs included in HMAC/CMAC tuples. Thus MR-BS shall maintain separate PNs for UL and DL connections with every RS. RS shall maintain a proper PN for connections it shares with the MR-BS.

In addition, the RS may generate and send a message (i.e. DSAX and DSCX) to its subordinate or super-ordinate station. RS shall send a message using destination RS's primary CID. MR-BS can also send a message to any RS using its primary CID. In the meantime, PN shall be incremented for every new message. In order to avoid inconsistency in PN used by source RS and the MR-BS, RS shall implement two sets of UL/DL PN: for connections it holds with the MR-BS and for connections it hold with its subordinate and super-ordinate stations.

Destination RS shall also be able to differentiate which PN is included into HMAC/CMAC tuple. This can be achieved by using one of the 'reserved' bits in HMAC/CMAC tuple as 'PN type' bit.

### Proposed text changes

[Insert the following subclause 7.5.7]

#### 7.5.7 Calculation of HMAC/CMAC digests in a security zone

RS follows the HMAC or CMAC calculation procedure as that for the MS. However, packet number management is different within security zone.

In MR, the MR-BS shall maintain separate Security Zone HMAC/CMAC Packet Number Counter, HMAC/CMAC PN\_SZ\*, with every RS within security zone. Any tuple value {HMAC/CMAC PN\_SZ\*, HMAC/CMAC KEY\_SZ\*, CID} shall not be used more than once. HMAC/CMAC PN\_SZ\* shall be used for messages transferred between RS and the MR-BS under the SZK.

RS shall maintain HMAC/CMAC PN\_SZ\* with the MR-BS. In addition, RS shall maintain Relay Link HMAC/CMAC Packet Number Counters, HMAC/CMAC PN\_RL\*, with it subordinate and superordinate RSs. HMAC/CMAC PN\_RL\* shall be used by RS to send one-hop relay management messages (such as DSAX and DSCX messages) under the SZK.

The following CMAC PAD values shall be used for the purpose of replay protection:

- CMAC\_PAD = 0x7E in case of CMAC\_PN\_SZ\*;
- CMAC\_PAD = 0x7D in case of CMAC\_PN\_RL\*.

[Delete the following text from subclause 7.5.4.4.1]

~~Insert the following after the second paragraph of 7.5.4.4.1:~~

~~For an authentication unicast message transmitted between RSs within the same security zone, a CMAC\_KEY\_GU and CMAC\_KEY\_GD shall be used. The group authentication key is derived from GKEK, which is the same as SZK.~~

[Change table 598 as follows]

**Table 598—CMAC Tuple definition**

Field	Length (bits)	Note
Reserved	<u>3</u>	Set to 0
<u>PN type</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0 – Security zone PN, 1 – Relay Link PN</u>
CMAC Key Sequence Number	4	CMAC key sequence number
BSID	48	Only used in case of MDHO zone—optional
CMAC_PN_* <u>CMAC_PN_SZ*</u> or <u>CMAC_PN_RL*</u>	32	This context is different UL, DL
CMAC Value	64	CMAC with AES-128

[Change table 600 as follows]

**Table 599—Short-HMAC tuple definition**

Field	Length (bits)	Note
Reserved	<u>3</u>	Set to 0
<u>PN type</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0 – Security zone PN, 1 – Relay Link PN</u>
HMAC Key Sequence Number	4	CMAC key sequence number
HMAC Packet Number Counter HMAC_PN_* <u>CMAC_PN_SZ*</u> or <u>CMAC_PN_RL*</u>	32	Replay counter
Short-HMAC digest	<i>variable</i>	0—Truncate HMAC to 8 bytes in Short HMAC Tuple 1—Truncate to 10 bytes 2—Truncate to 12 bytes