

Proposed Changes to IEEE802.11d1

1. Section 1.4, References: Add; IEEE Std 802.10f-1993, Secure Data Exchange (SDE) Sublayer Management (Subclause 2.8).

2. Section 2.4.3.1, Authentication: Under examples of a C/R exchange for a password based system, add to the challenge a timestamp and have the response be a "hash" of the timestamp and the password.
Rational: In a wireless system passwords must not be sent unprotected, any promiscuous listener could obtain the password and use it to become authenticated. Adding a timestamp will prevent replay attacks against the system. This may also be accomplished by encrypting the response using the Wire Equivalent Privacy (WEP) algorithm described in section 5.4.

3. Section 3.1.1.3, Security services:

Replace existing Figure 3-1 with the figure below. This is a updated figure provided by 802.10 which I believe is easier to understand and more accurate.

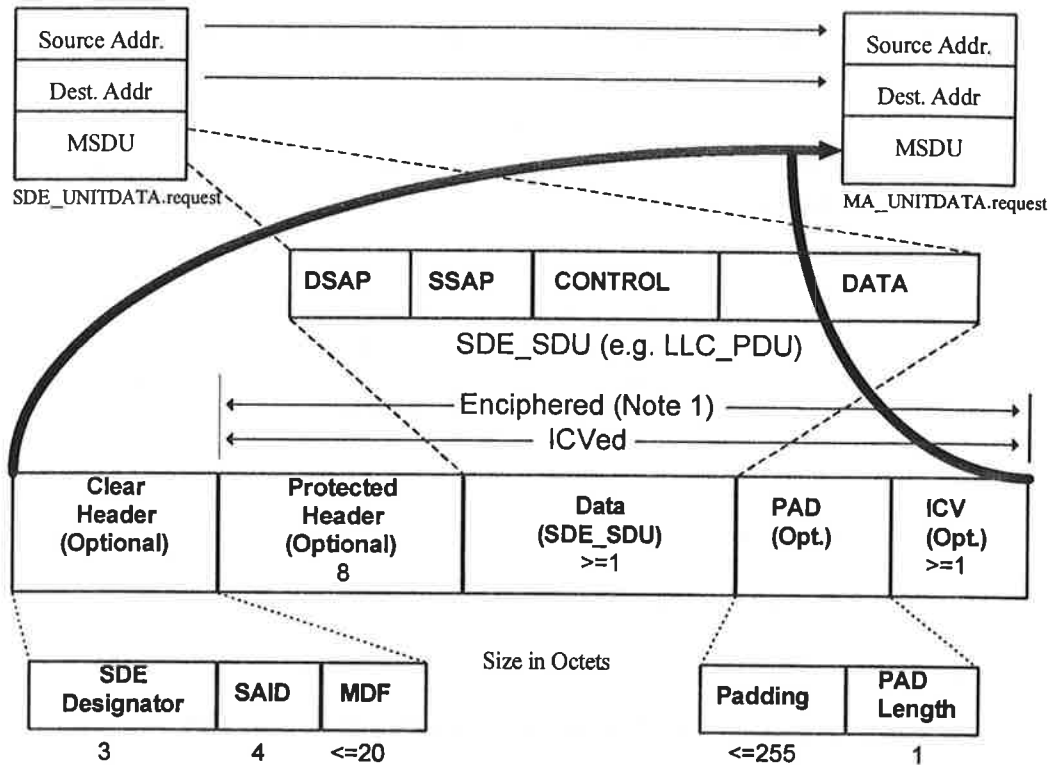


Figure 3.1 - Construction of the SDE_PDU

Add the following paragraph at the end of paragraph 3.1.1.3:

The Layer 2 security services provided by the SDE rely on information from non-Layer 2 management or system entities. Management entities communicate the information to the SDE entity through a Security Management Information Base (SMIB). The implementation of the SMIB is a local issue; however, IEEE 802.10f, SDE Sublayer Management, provides information on the managed object classes and attributes. The SMIB provides the interface between the local System Management Application Entity (SMAE) and the LM of the protocol stack. This is illustrated in Figure 3-2 (will require renumbering of the section 3 figures):

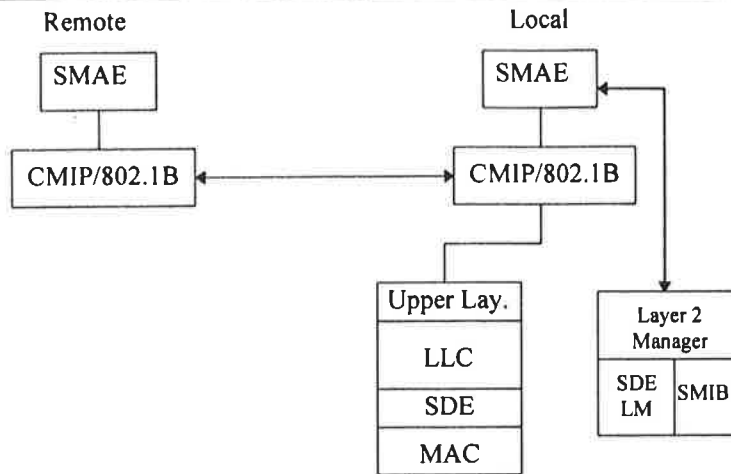


Figure 3-2: SDE management architecture

4. Section 5.4, The Wired Equivalent Privacy Algorithm (WEP): It is recommended that this section be moved to a normative annex.

5.4.1, Introduction: Add a sentence to the end of the first paragraph. "The WEP can also be used to provide implicit authentication. The commonly held key can be used to encrypt challenges from the access point or another station."

Change second paragraph to read;

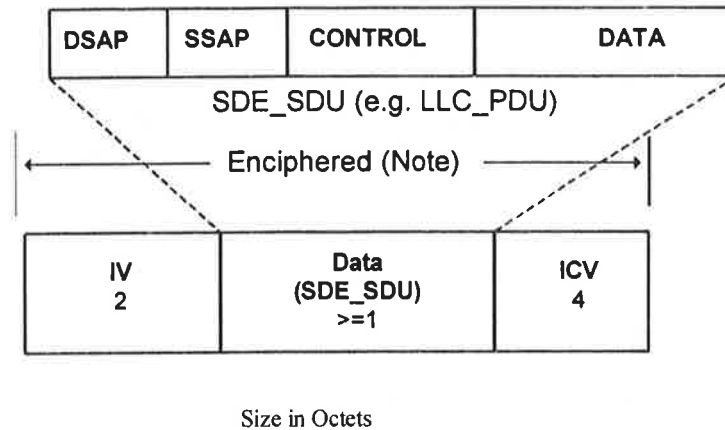
Data confidentiality depends on an external key management service to authenticate users and distribute data enciphering/deciphering keys. P802.11 specifically recommends against running an 802.11 with ~~confidentiality/privacy~~ but without authentication. While this combination is possible, it leaves the system open to significant security threats.

5.4.2, Properties of the WEP Algorithm: Add the property of **Implicit Authentication**, using language similar to above. "A commonly held key can be used to provide implicit authentication without the need for a separate authentication mechanism."

Add section 5.4.5, Relationship of WEP to IEEE 802.10, SDE:

5.4.5, Relationship of WEP to IEEE 802.10, Secure Data Exchange (SDE):

The WEP uses a subset of the IEEE 802.10 SDE shown in Figure 3-1 of section 3.1.1.3. Figure 5-24 (will require renumbering of section 5 figures) shows the SDE_PDU as constructed by the WEP.



Note: The encryption process has expanded the PDU by 6 Octets, 2 for the Initialization Vector (IV) and 4 for the Integrity Check Value (ICV)

Figure 5-24: Construction of WEP SDE_PDU

5. Section 7.4, Management Information Definitions:

The following changes are recommended to harmonize the draft 802.11 standard with the approved IEEE 802.10 standard. These changes consisted of changing the word privacy to confidentiality, replacing Privacy with Confid in the MIB parameter list, and replacing Algorithm(s) with Alg_ID(s). These changes make the proposed 802.11 standard consistent terminology wise with the approved IEEE 802.10 standard. A separate file with these changes and their revisions marks is available from the author.

It is recommended that the entries regarding minimum authentication and confidentiality be removed from section 7.4. These are not Layer 2 functions. They are upper layer management functions.

0.1. Management Information Definitions

0.1.1. MIB Summary

The following sections summarize the 802.11 Management Information Base (MIB). Each group, attribute, action and notification is listed. This summary is for information purposes only. If any errors exist, the formal definitions have precedence. *This section also includes references to the SDE MIB (SMIB) found in IEEE 802.10f-1993, Secure Data Exchange (SDE) Sublayer Management. Attempts have been made to harmonize this standard with the approved IEEE 802.10 standard where ever practical. It is suggested that all developers of 802.11 products review the appropriate IEEE 802.10 standard for applicability.*

0.1.1.1. Station Management Attributes

0.1.1.1.1. agStation_Config_grp

- aActing_as_AP_Status,
- aAssociated_State,
- aBeacon_Period,
- aPower_Mgt_State,
- aPower_Mgt_Capability;

0.1.1.1.2. agAuthentication_grp

- aAuthentication_Algorithms,
- aSelected_Authentication_Algorithm_ID,
- aAuthentication_Handshake_State,
- aAuthentication_State,
- ~~aMin_Authentication_Required;~~

0.1.1.1.3. agConfid_grp

- aConfid_Algorithms,
- aSelected_Confid_Algorithm_ID,
- aConfid_Handshake_State,
- aConfid_State,
- ~~aMin_Confid_Required;~~

0.1.1.1.4. Not Grouped

- aStation_ID
- aCurrent_BSS_ID
- aCurrent_ESS_ID
- aKnown_APs

0.1.1.2. MAC Attributes

0.1.1.2.1. agAddress_grp

- aMAC_Address,
- aGroup_Addresses;

0.1.1.2.2. agOperation_grp

aNAV,
aNAV_max,
aRate_Factor,
aHandshake_Overhead,
aSIFS,
aPIFS,
aDIFS,
aRTS_Threshold,
aSlot_Time,
aCW_max,
aCW_min,
aCTS_Time,
aACK_Time,
aRetry_max,
aMax_Frame_Length,
aFragmentation_Threshold;

0.1.1.2.3. agCounters_grp

aTransmitted_Frame_Count,
aOctets_Transmitted_Count,
aMulticast_Transmitted_Frame_Count,
aBroadcast_Transmitted_Frame_Count,
aFailed_Count,
aCollision_Count,
aSingle_Collision_Count,
aMultiple_Collision_Count,
aReceived_Frame_Count,
aOctets_Received_Count,
aMulticast_Received_Count,
aBroadcast_Received_Count,
aError_Count,
aFCS_Error_Count,
aLength_Mismatch_Count,
aFrame_Too_Long_Count,
aTotal_Backoff_Time;

0.1.1.2.4. agStatus_grp

aMAC_Enable_Status,
aTransmit_Enable_Status,
aPromiscuous_Status;

0.1.1.2.5. Not Grouped

aManufacturer_ID
aProduct_ID

0.1.1.3. ResourceTypeID Attributes

0.1.1.3.1. Not Grouped

aResourceTypeIDName
aResourceInfo

0.1.1.4. Actions

0.1.1.4.1. SMT Actions

acStation_init
acStation_reset

0.1.1.4.2. MAC Actions

acMAC_init
acMAC_reset

0.1.1.4.3. PHY Actions

acPHY_init
acPHY_reset

0.1.1.5. Notifications

0.1.1.5.1. SMT Notifications

nAssociate
nDissociate

0.1.1.5.2. MAC Notifications

nFrame_Error_Rate_Exceeded

0.1.2. Managed Object Class Templates

0.1.2.1. SMT Object Class

0.1.2.1.1. oSMT

SMT MANAGED OBJECT CLASS
DERIVED FROM "ISO/IEC 10165-2":top;
CHARACTERIZED BY

pSMT_base

PACKAGE

BEHAVIOUR

bSMT_base BEHAVIOUR

DEFINED AS "The SMT object class provides the necessary support at the station to manage the processes in the station such that the station may work cooperatively as a part of an 802.11 network.";

ATTRIBUTES

aStation_ID	GET,
aActing_as_AP_Status	GET,
aCurrent_BSS_ID	GET,
aCurrent_ESS_ID	GET-REPLACE,
aKnown_APs	GET, (1 to N deep)

aAuthentication_Alg_IDs	GET,
aConfid_Alg_IDs	GET,
aSelected_Authentication_Alg_ID	GET,
aSelected_Confid_Alg_ID	GET,
aAuthentication_Handshake_State	GET,
aConfid_Handshake_State	GET,
aAuthentication_State	GET,
aConfid_State	GET,
aMin_Authentication_Required	GET,
aMin_Confid_Required	GET,
aAssociated_State	GET,
aBeacon_Period	GET-REPLACE,
aPower_Mgt_State	GET-REPLACE,
aPower_Mgt_Capability	GET;

ATTRIBUTE GROUPS

agStation_Config_grp,
agAuthentication_grp,
agConfid_grp;

ACTIONS

acSMT_init,
acSMT_reset;

REGISTERED AS { iso(1) member-body(2) us(840) ieee802dot11(xxxx) smt(0) };

0.1.2.2. MAC Object Class

0.1.2.2.1. oMAC

MAC MANAGED OBJECT CLASS
DERIVED FROM "ISO/IEC 10165-2":top;
CHARACTERIZED BY

pMAC_base	PACKAGE
BEHAVIOUR	

bMAC_base BEHAVIOUR

DEFINED AS "The MAC object class provides the necessary support for the access control, generation and verification of frame check sequences, and proper delivery of valid data to upper layers.";

ATTRIBUTES

aMAC_Address	GET,
aGroup_Addresses	GET-REPLACE,
aPromiscuous_Status	GET,
aTransmitted_Frame_Count	GET-REPLACE,
aOctets_Transmitted_Count	GET-REPLACE,
aMulticast_Transmitted_Frame_Count	GET-REPLACE,
aBroadcast_Frame_Count	GET-REPLACE,
aFailed_Count	GET-REPLACE,
aFrame_Exchange_Error_Count	GET-REPLACE,
aSingle_Frame_Exchange_Error_Count	GET-REPLACE,
aMultiple_Frame_Exchange_Error_Count	GET-REPLACE,
aReceived_Frame_Count	GET-REPLACE,
aOctets_Received_Count	GET-REPLACE,
aMulticast_Received_Frame_Count	GET-REPLACE,
aBroadcast_Received_Frame_Count	GET-REPLACE,
aReceived_Frame_Error_Count	GET-REPLACE,
aFCS_Error_Count	GET-REPLACE,

aFrame_Too_Long_Count	GET-REPLACE,
aFrame_With_Protocol_Error_Count	GET-REPLACE,
aMAC_Enable_Status	GET,
aRate_Factor	GET,
aHandshake_Overhead	GET,
aSIFS	GET,
aPIFS	GET,
aDIFS	GET,
aRTS_Threshold	GET-REPLACE,
aTotal_Accumulated_Backoff_Time	GET-REPLACE,
aSlot_Time	GET,
CW_max	GET-REPLACE,
aCW_min	GET-REPLACE,
aCTS_Time	GET,
aACK_Time	GET,
aRTS_Retry_max	GET-REPLACE,
aDATA_Retry_max	GET-REPLACE,
aMax_Frame_Length	GET,
aFragmentation_Threshold	GET-REPLACE,
aManufacturer_ID	GET,
aProduct_ID	GET;

ATTRIBUTE GROUPS

- agCapabilities_grp,
- agConfig_grp,
- agAddress_grp,
- agOperation_grp,
- agCounters_grp,
- agFrame_Error_Condition_grp,
- agStatus_grp;

ACTIONS

- acMAC_init,
- acMAC_reset;

NOTIFICATIONS

- nFrame_Error_Rate_Exceeded;

REGISTERED AS { iso(1) member-body(2) us(840) ieee802dot11(xxxx) mac(1) };

0.1.2.3. Resource Type Object Class

0.1.2.3.1. oResourceTypeID

ResourceTypeID MANAGED OBJECT CLASS
DERIVED FROM IEEE802CommonDefinitions.oResourceTypeID;
CHARACTERIZED BY

pResourceTypeID	PACKAGE
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ATTRIBUTES

aResourceTypeIDName	GET,
aResourceInfo	GET;

REGISTERED AS { iso(1) member-body(2) us(840) ieee802dot11(xxxx) resourcetypeid(3) };

0.1.3. Attribute Group Templates

0.1.3.1. Station Management Attribute Group Templates

0.1.3.1.1. agStation_Config_grp

Station_Config_grp ATTRIBUTE GROUP
GROUP ELEMENTS

aActing_as_AP_Status,
aAssociated_State,
aBeacon_Period,
aPower_Mgt_State,
aPower_Mgt_Capability;

REGISTERED AS { iso(1) member-body(2) us(840) ieee802dot11(xxxx) smt(0) station_config_grp(0) };

0.1.3.1.2. agAuthentication_grp

Authentication_grp ATTRIBUTE GROUP
GROUP ELEMENTS

aAuthentication_Algorithms,
aSelected_Authentication_Algorithm_ID,
aAuthentication_Handshake_State,
aAuthentication_State,
~~aMin_Authentication_Required;~~

REGISTERED AS { iso(1) member-body(2) us(840) ieee802dot11(xxxx) smt(0) authentication_grp(1) };

0.1.3.1.3. agConfid_grp

Confid_grp ATTRIBUTE GROUP
GROUP ELEMENTS

aConfid_Algorithms,
aSelected_Confid_Algorithm_ID,
aConfid_Handshake_State,
aConfid_State,
~~aMin_Confid_Required;~~

REGISTERED AS { iso(1) member-body(2) us(840) ieee802dot11(xxxx) smt(0) Confid_grp(2) };

0.1.3.2. MAC Attribute Group Templates

0.1.3.2.1. agAddress_grp

Address_grp ATTRIBUTE GROUP
GROUP ELEMENTS

aMAC_Address,
aGroup_Addresses;

REGISTERED AS { iso(1) member-body(2) us(840) ieee802dot11(xxxx) mac(0) address_grp(0) };

0.1.3.2.2. agOperation_grp

Operation_grp ATTRIBUTE GROUP
GROUP ELEMENTS

aNAV,
aNAV_max,
aRate_Factor,
aHandshake_Overhead,
aSIFS,
aPIFS,
aDIFS,

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aRTS_Threshold,  
aSlot_Time,  
aCW_max,  
aCW_min,  
aCTS_Time,  
aACK_Time,  
aRetry_max,  
aMax_Frame_Length,  
aFragmentation_Threshold;  
REGISTERED AS { iso(1) member-body(2) us(840) ieee802dot11(xxxx) mac(0) operation_grp(1) };
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0.1.3.2.3. agCounters_grp

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Counters_grp ATTRIBUTE GROUP  
GROUP ELEMENTS  
aTransmitted_Frame_Count,  
aOctets_Transmitted_Count,  
aMulticast_Transmitted_Frame_Count,  
aBroadcast_Transmitted_Frame_Count,  
aFailed_Count,  
aCollision_Count,  
aSingle_Collision_Count,  
aMultiple_Collision_Count,  
aReceived_Frame_Count,  
aOctets_Received_Count,  
aMulticast_Received_Count,  
aBroadcast_Received_Count,  
aError_Count,  
aFCS_Error_Count,  
aLength_Mismatch_Count,  
aFrame_Too_Long_Count,  
aTotal_Backoff_Time;  
REGISTERED AS { iso(1) member-body(2) us(840) ieee802dot11(xxxx) mac(0) counters_grp(2) };
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0.1.3.2.4. agStatus_grp

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Status_grp ATTRIBUTE GROUP  
GROUP ELEMENTS  
aMAC_Enable_Status,  
aTransmit_Enable_Status,  
aPromiscuous_Status;  
REGISTERED AS { iso(1) member-body(2) us(840) ieee802dot11(xxxx) mac(0) status_grp(3) };
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0.1.4. Attribute Templates

0.1.4.1. SMT Attribute Templates

0.1.4.1.1. aStation_ID

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Station_ID ATTRIBUTE  
DERIVED FROM  
IEEE802CommonDefinitions.MACAddress;  
REGISTERED AS  
{ iso(1) member-body(2) us(840) ieee802dot11(xxxx) SMT(0) attribute(7) station_id(0) };
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0.1.4.1.2. aActing_as_AP_Status

Acting_as_AP_Status ATTRIBUTE
WITH APPROPRIATE SYNTAX

boolean;

BEHAVIOUR DEFINED AS

"True if this station is acting as an access point, false otherwise.";

REGISTERED AS

{ iso(1) member-body(2) us(840) ieee802dot11(xxxx) SMT(0) attribute(7) acting_as_ap_status(4) };

0.1.4.1.3. aCurrent_AP_MAC_Address

Current_AP_MAC_Address ATTRIBUTE
DERIVED FROM

IEEE802CommonDefinitions.MACAddress;

REGISTERED AS

{ iso(1) member-body(2) us(840) ieee802dot11(xxxx) SMT(0) attribute(7) ap_address(5) };

0.1.4.1.4. aCurrent_BSS_ID

Current_BSS_ID ATTRIBUTE
WITH APPROPRIATE SYNTAX

integer;

BEHAVIOUR DEFINED AS

"This attribute shall identify the basic service set (BSS) with which the station is currently associated.";

REGISTERED AS

{ iso(1) member-body(2) us(840) ieee802dot11(xxxx) SMT(0) attribute(7) current_bss_id(6) };

0.1.4.1.5. aCurrent_ESS_ID

Current_ESS_ID ATTRIBUTE
WITH APPROPRIATE SYNTAX

integer;

BEHAVIOUR DEFINED AS

"This attribute shall identify the extended service set (ESS) with which the station is associated, if any.";

REGISTERED AS

{ iso(1) member-body(2) us(840) ieee802dot11(xxxx) SMT(0) attribute(7) current_ess_id(7) };

0.1.4.1.6. aKnown_APs

Known_APs ATTRIBUTE
WITH APPROPRIATE SYNTAX

set-of AP_ID.type;

BEHAVIOUR DEFINED AS

"This attribute shall be a set of the identities of the most recently known Access Points. The Access Point with which the station is currently associated, if any, shall always be the first element of the set. Access Points may be included in this list even if the station did not associate with them.";

REGISTERED AS

{ iso(1) member-body(2) us(840) ieee802dot11(xxxx) SMT(0) attribute(7) known_aps(8) };

0.1.4.1.7. aAuthentication_Alg_IDs

Authentication_Alg_IDs ATTRIBUTE
WITH APPROPRIATE SYNTAX

set-of integer;

BEHAVIOUR DEFINED AS

"This attribute shall be a set of all the authentication algorithms supported by the stations. The values of the numbers in the list are as defined in IEEE Standard 802.10.";

REGISTERED AS

{ iso(1) member-body(2) us(840) ieee802dot11(xxxx) SMT(0) attribute(7)
authentication_Alg_IDs(9) };

0.1.4.1.8. aConfid_Alg_IDs

Confid_Alg_IDs ATTRIBUTE
WITH APPROPRIATE SYNTAX
set-of integer;

BEHAVIOUR DEFINED AS

"This attribute shall be a set all of the confidentiality algorithms supported by the stations. The values of the numbers in the list are as defined in IEEE Standard 802.10.";

REGISTERED AS

{ iso(1) member-body(2) us(840) ieee802dot11(xxxx) SMT(0) attribute(7) Confid_Alg_IDs(10) };

0.1.4.1.9. aSelected_Authentication_Alg_ID

Selected_Authentication_Alg_ID ATTRIBUTE
WITH APPROPRIATE SYNTAX
integer;

BEHAVIOUR DEFINED AS

"This attribute shall indicate the authentication algorithm identifier selected during the authentication negotiation. The value of this attribute shall be selected from the set in the aAuthentication_Alg_IDs attribute. The value of this attribute shall reference one of the authentication algorithm identifiers defined in IEEE Standard 802.10.";

REGISTERED AS

{ iso(1) member-body(2) us(840) ieee802dot11(xxxx) SMT(0) attribute(7)
selected_authentication_Alg_ID(11) };

0.1.4.1.10. aSelected_Confid_Alg_ID

Selected_Confid_Alg_ID ATTRIBUTE
WITH APPROPRIATE SYNTAX
integer;

BEHAVIOUR DEFINED AS

"This attribute shall indicate the confidentiality algorithm identifier selected during the confidentiality negotiation. The value of this attribute shall be selected from the set in the aConfid_Alg_IDs attribute. The value of this attribute shall reference one of the confidentiality algorithm identifiers defined in IEEE Standard 802.10.";

REGISTERED AS

{ iso(1) member-body(2) us(840) ieee802dot11(xxxx) SMT(0) attribute(7) selected_Confid_Alg_ID(12)
};

0.1.4.1.11. aAuthentication_Handshake_State

Authentication_Handshake_State ATTRIBUTE
WITH APPROPRIATE SYNTAX
authentication_handshake.type

BEHAVIOUR DEFINED AS

"This attribute shall identify the current state of the station in the authentication process.";

REGISTERED AS

{ iso(1) member-body(2) us(840) ieee802dot11(xxxx) SMT(0) attribute(7)
authentication_handshake_state(13) };

0.1.4.1.12. aConfid_Handshake_State

Confid_Handshake_State ATTRIBUTE

WITH APPROPRIATE SYNTAX

Confid_handshake.type;

BEHAVIOUR DEFINED AS

"This attribute shall identify the current state of the station in the confidentiality negotiation process.";

REGISTERED AS

{ iso(1) member-body(2) us(840) ieee802dot11(xxxx) SMT(0) attribute(7)
Confid_handshake_state(14) };

0.1.4.1.13. aAuthentication_State

Authentication_State ATTRIBUTE

WITH APPROPRIATE SYNTAX

authentication_state.type;

BEHAVIOUR DEFINED AS

"This attribute shall indicate the authentication state.";

REGISTERED AS

{ iso(1) member-body(2) us(840) ieee802dot11(xxxx) SMT(0) attribute(7) authentication_state(15)
};

0.1.4.1.14. aConfid_State

Confid_State ATTRIBUTE

WITH APPROPRIATE SYNTAX

Confid_state.type;

BEHAVIOUR DEFINED AS

"This attribute shall indicate the current confidentiality state.";

REGISTERED AS

{ iso(1) member-body(2) us(840) ieee802dot11(xxxx) SMT(0) attribute(7) Confid_state(16) };

0.1.4.1.15. ~~aMin_Authentication_Required (delete section)~~

Min_Authentication_Required ATTRIBUTE

WITH APPROPRIATE SYNTAX

Authentication_Required.type;

BEHAVIOUR DEFINED AS

;

REGISTERED AS

{ iso(1) member-body(2) us(840) ieee802dot11(xxxx) SMT(0) attribute(7)
min_authentication_required(17) };

0.1.4.1.16. ~~aMin_Confid_Required (delete section)~~

Min_Confid_Required ATTRIBUTE

WITH APPROPRIATE SYNTAX

Confid_Required.type;

BEHAVIOUR DEFINED AS

;

REGISTERED AS

{ iso(1) member-body(2) us(840) ieee802dot11(xxxx) SMT(0) attribute(7)
min_Confid_required(18) };

