

Network Management

Lecture 5

SNMPv1 Network

Management:

Communication and Functional
Models

Objectives

- Communication model: Administrative and messages
- Administrative structure
 - Community-based model
 - Access policy
 - MIB view
- Message PDU
- SNMP protocol specifications
- SNMP operations
- SNMP MIB
- SNMP functional model

SNMP Architecture

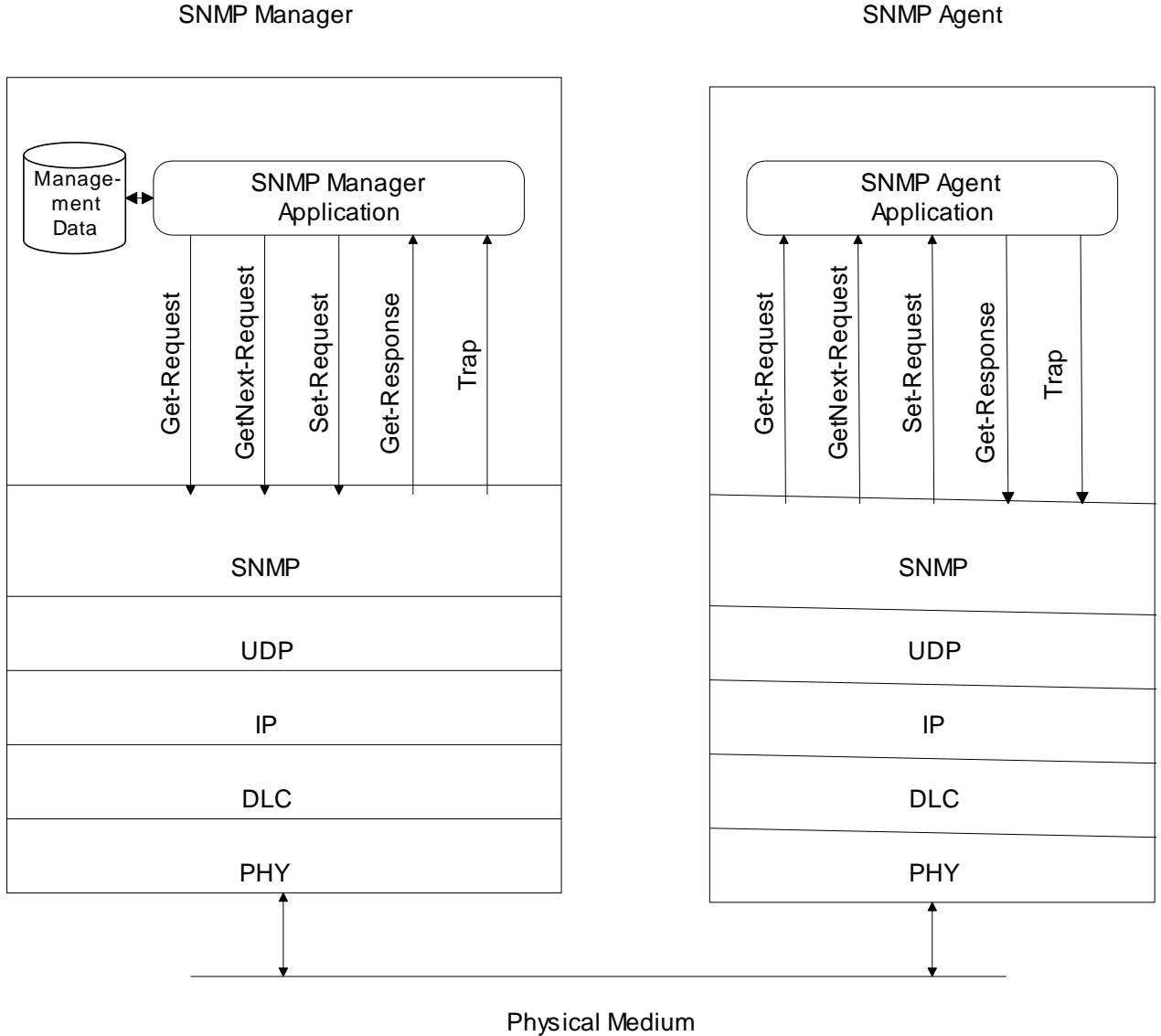


Figure 4.9 SNMP Network Management Architecture

Notes

- Truly *simple* network management protocol
- Five messages, 3 from manager and 2 from agent

SNMP Messages

- Get-Request
- Get-Next-Request
- Set-Request
- Get-Response
- Trap
 - Generic trap
 - Specific trap
 - Time stamp

Notes

- Generic trap
 - coldStart
 - warmStart
 - linkDown
 - linkUp
 - authenticationfailure
 - egpNeighborLoss
 - enterpriseSpecific
- Specific trap
 - For special measurements such as statistics
- Time stamp: Time since last initialization

Administrative Model

- Based on community profile and policy
- SNMP Entities:
 - SNMP application entities
 - Reside in management stations and network elements
 - Manager and agent
 - SNMP protocol entities
 - Communication processes (PDU handlers)
 - Peer processes that support application entities

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SNMP Community

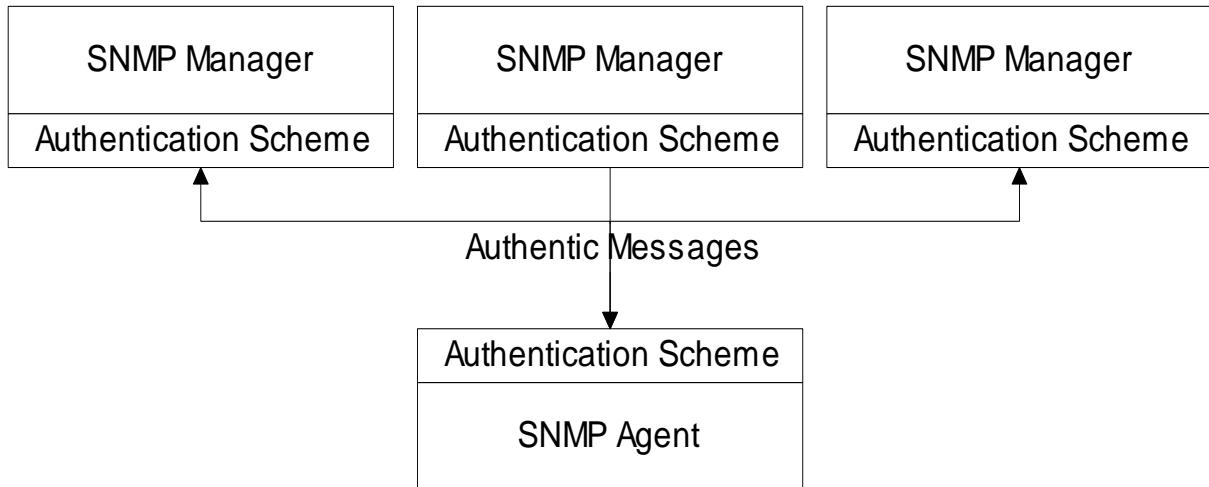


Figure 5.1 SNMP Community

Notes

- Security in SNMPv1 is community based
- Authentication scheme in manager and agent
- Community: Pairing of two application entities
- Community name: String of octets
- Two applications in the same community communicate with each other
- Application could have multiple community names
- Communication is not secured in SNMPv1 - no encryption

Community Profile

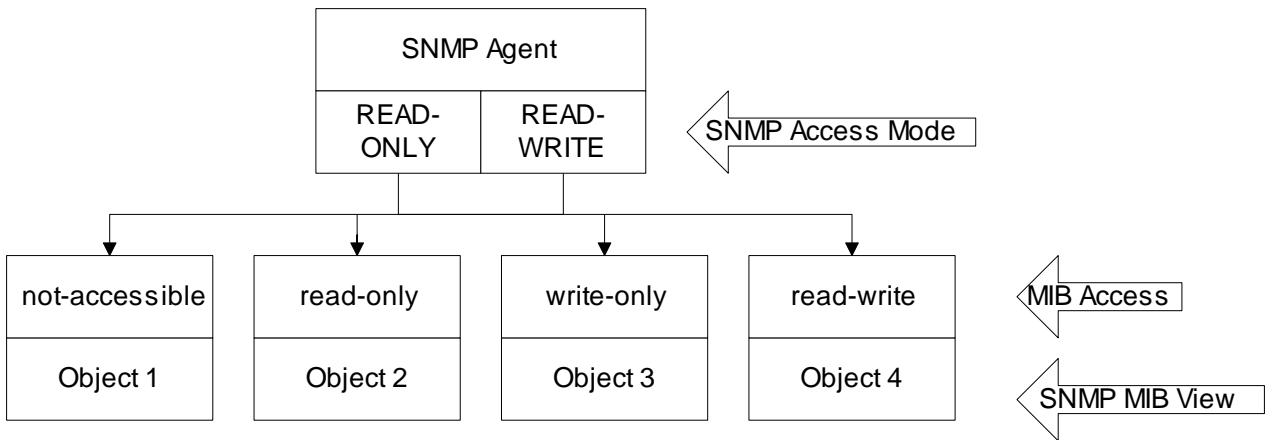


Figure 5.2 SNMP Community Profile

Notes

- MIB view
 - An agent is programmed to view only a subset of managed objects of a network element
- Access mode
 - Each community name is assigned an access mode: read-only and read-write
- Community profile: MIB view + SNMP access mode
- Operations on an object determined by community profile and the access mode of the object
- Total of four access privileges
- Some objects, such as table and table entry are non-accessible

Administrative Model

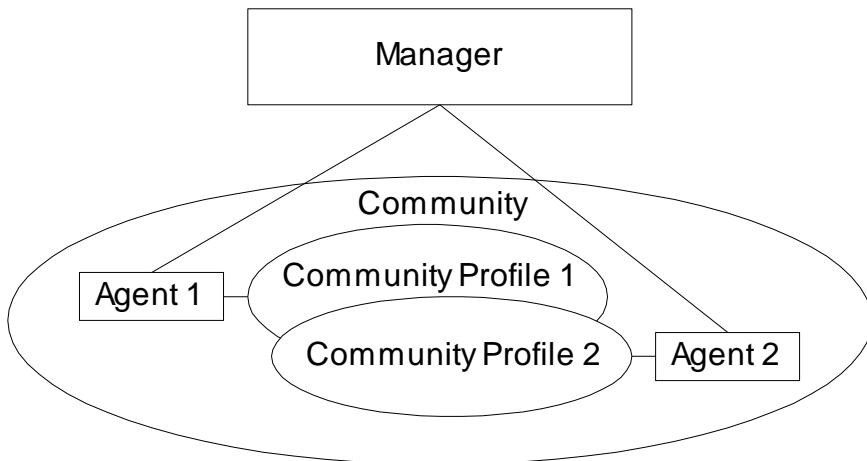
- Administrative model is SNMP access policy
- SNMP community paired with SNMP community profile is SNMP access policy

Notes

Parameters:

- Community / communities
- Agent / Agents
- Manager / Managers

Access Policy



Notes

- Manager manages Community 1 and 2 network components via Agents 1 and 2
- Agent 1 has only view of Community Profile 1, e.g., Cisco components
- Agent 2 has only view of Community Profile 2, e.g., 3Com components
- Manager has total view of both Cisco and 3Com components

Generalized Administrative Model

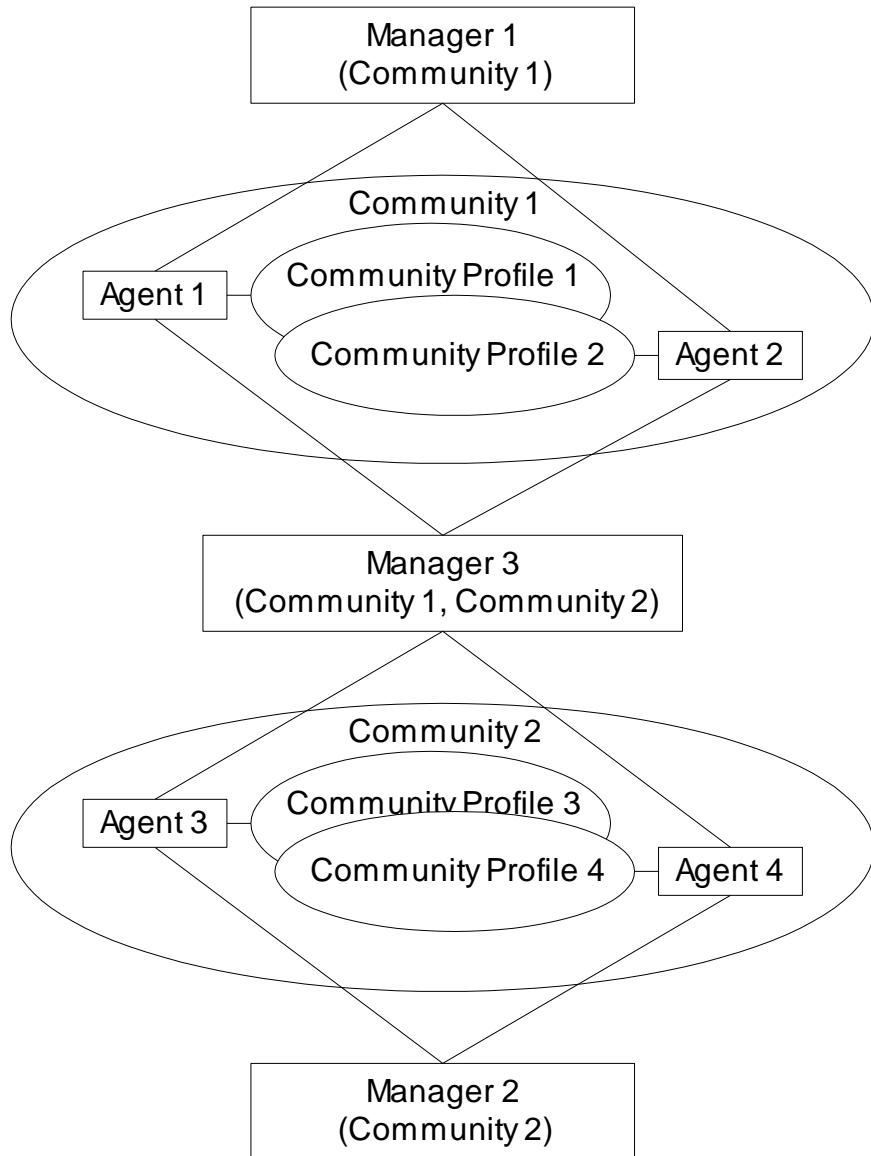


Figure 5.3 SNMP Access Policy

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- Manager 1 manages community 1, manager 2 community 2, and manager 3 (MoM) both communities 1 and 2

Proxy Access Policy

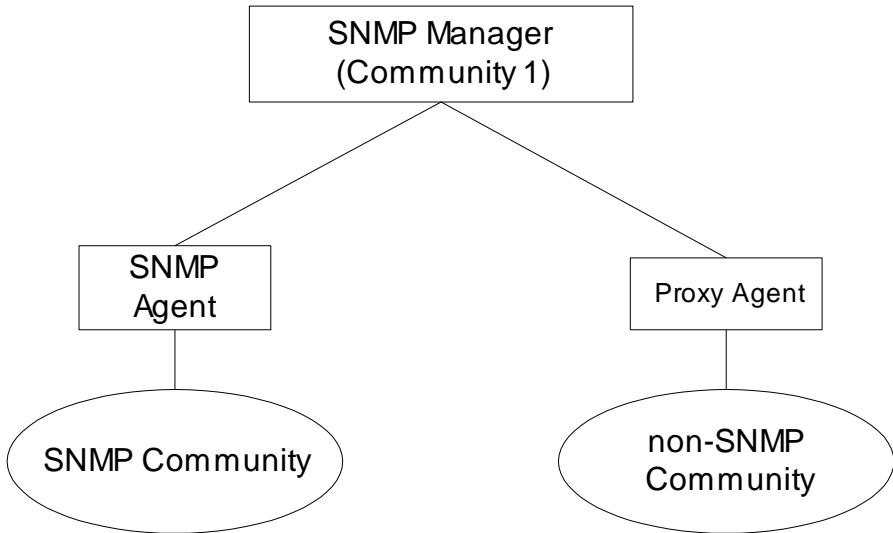


Figure 5.4 SNMP Proxy Access Policy

Notes

- Proxy agent enables non-SNMP community elements to be managed by an SNMP manager.
- An SNMP MIB is created to handle the non-SNMP objects.

Protocol Entities

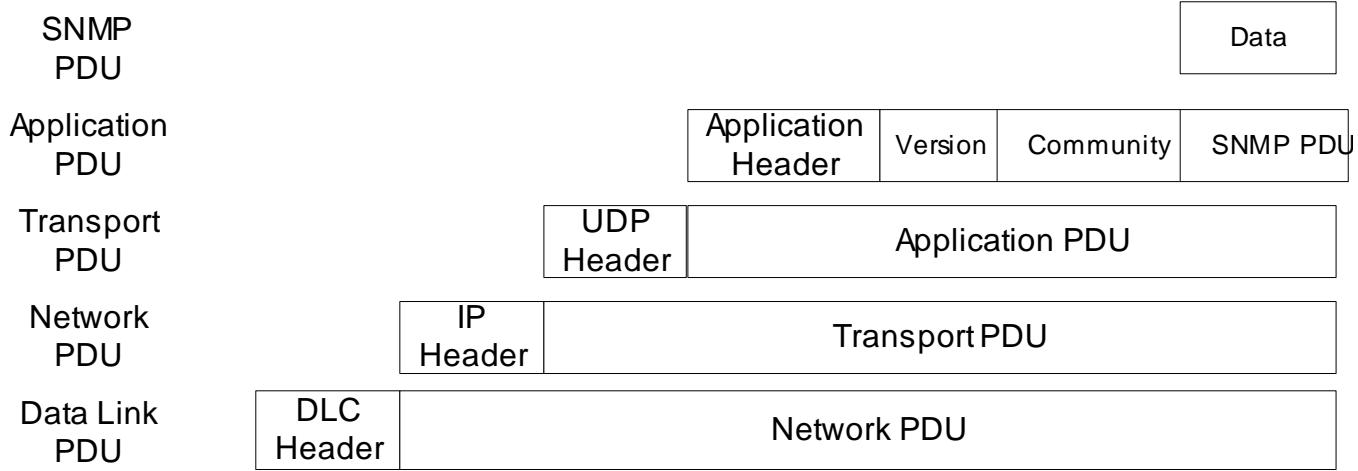


Figure 5.5 Encapsulated SNMP Message

Notes

- Protocol entities support application entities
- Communication between remote peer processes
- Message consists of:
 - Version identifier
 - Community name
 - Protocol Data Unit
- Message encapsulated and transmitted

Get and Set PDU

PDU Type	RequestID	Error Status	Error Index	VarBind 1 name	VarBind 1 value	...	VarBind n name	VarBind n value
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Figure 5.8 Get and Set Type PDUs

Notes

- VarBindList: multiple instances of VarBind pairs

PDUs ::=

```
CHOICE {
    get-request      GetRequest-PDU,
    get-next-request GetNextRequest-PDU,
    get-response     GetResponse-PDU,
    set-request      SetRequest-PDU,
    trap             Trap-PDU
}
```

PDU Types: enumerated INTEGER

get-request	[0]
get-next-request	[1]
set-request	[2]
get-response	[3]
trap	[4]

Error in Response

ErrorStatus ::=

```
INTEGER {  
    noError(0)  
    tooBig(1)  
    noSuchName(2)  
    bad value(3)  
    readOnly(4)  
    genErr(5)  
}
```

Error Index: No. of VarBind that the first error occurred

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Trap PDU

PDU Type	Enterprise	Agent Address	Generic Trap Type	Specific Trap Type	Timestamp	VarBind 1 name	VarBind 1 value	...	VarBind n name	VarBind n value
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Figure 5.8 Get and Set Type PDUs

Table 5.1 Generic Traps

Generic Trap Type	Description (brief)
coldStart(0)	Sending protocol entity is reinitializing itself; agent's configuration or protocol entity implementation may be altered
warmStart(1)	Sending protocol entity is reinitializing itself; agent configuration or protocol entity implementation not altered
linkDown(2)	Failure of one of the communication links
linkUp(3)	One of the links has come up
authenticationFailure(4)	Authentication failure
egpNeighborLoss(5)	Loss of EGP neighbor
enterpriseSpecific(6)	Enterprise-specific trap

Notes

- Enterprise and agent address pertain to the system generating the trap
- Seven generic traps specified by enumerated INTEGER
- Specific trap is a trap not covered by enterprise specific trap
- Timestamp indicates elapsed time since last re-initialization

SNMP Operations

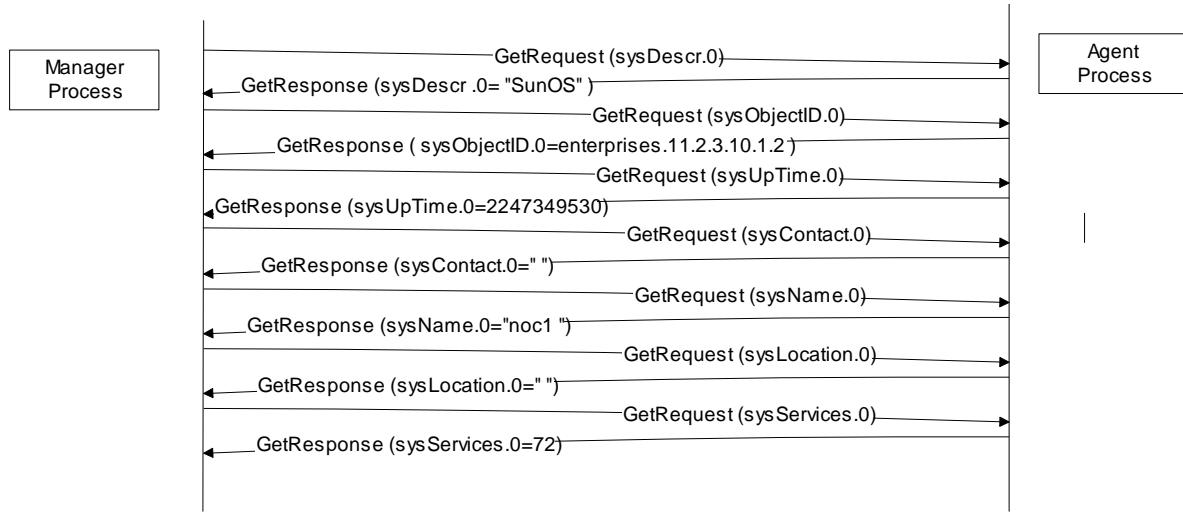


Figure 5.10 Get-Request Operation for System Group

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MIB for Get-Next-Request

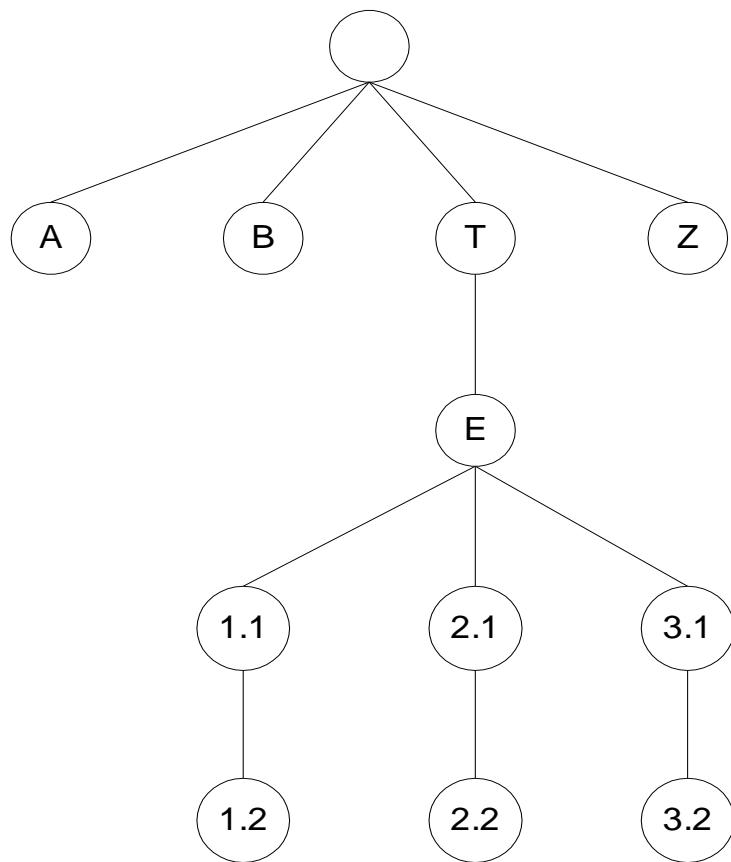


Figure 5.12 MIB for Operation Examples in Figures 5.13 and 5.15

Notes

Lexicographic Order

Table 5.2 Lexicographic-Order Number Example

Numerical Order	Lexicographic order
1	1
2	1118
3	115
9	126
15	15
22	2
34	22
115	250
126	2509
250	3
321	321
1118	34
2509	9

Notes

- Procedure for ordering:
 - Start with leftmost digit as first position
 - Before increasing the order in the first position, select the lowest digit in the second position
 - Continue the process till the lowest digit in the last position is captured
 - Increase the order in the last position until all the digits in the last position are captured
 - Move back to the last but one position and repeat the process
 - Continue advancing to the first position until all the numbers are ordered
- Tree structure for the above process

MIB Lexicographic Order

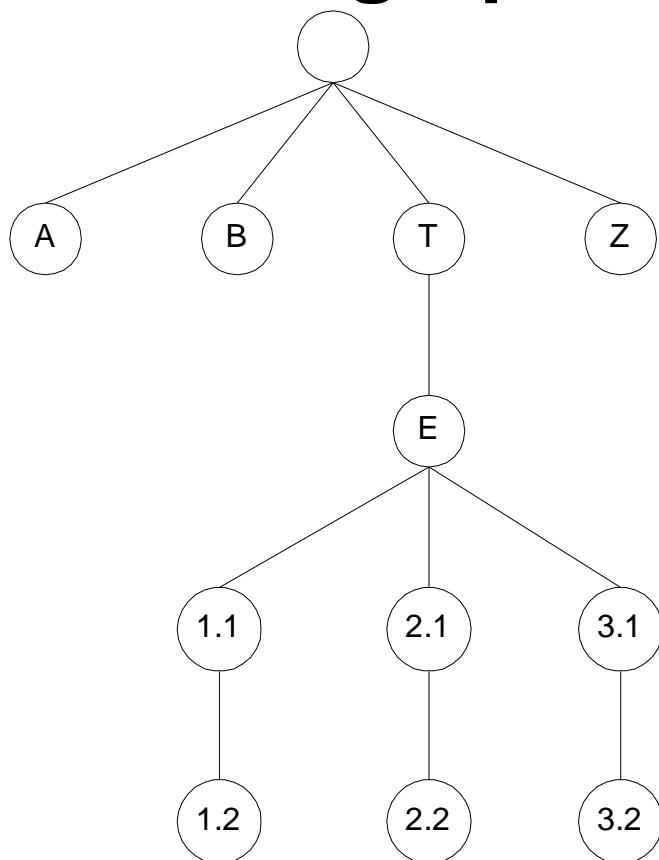


Figure 5.12 MIB for Operation Examples in Figures 5.13 and 5.15

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A 3.1

B 3.2

T Z

E

1.1

1.2

2.1

2.2

A More Complex MIB Example

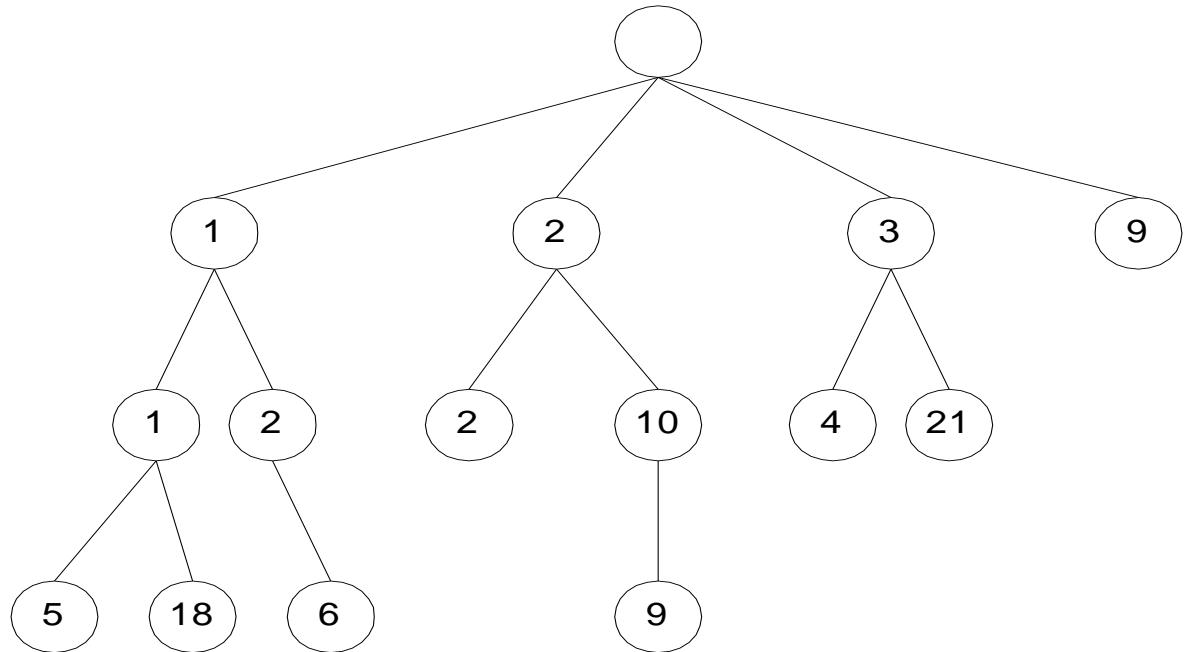


Figure 5.14 MIB Example for Lexicographic Ordering

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1
1.1
1.1.5
1.1.18
1.2
1.2.6
2
2.2
2.10
2.10.9
3
3.4
3.21
9

Get-Next-Request Operation

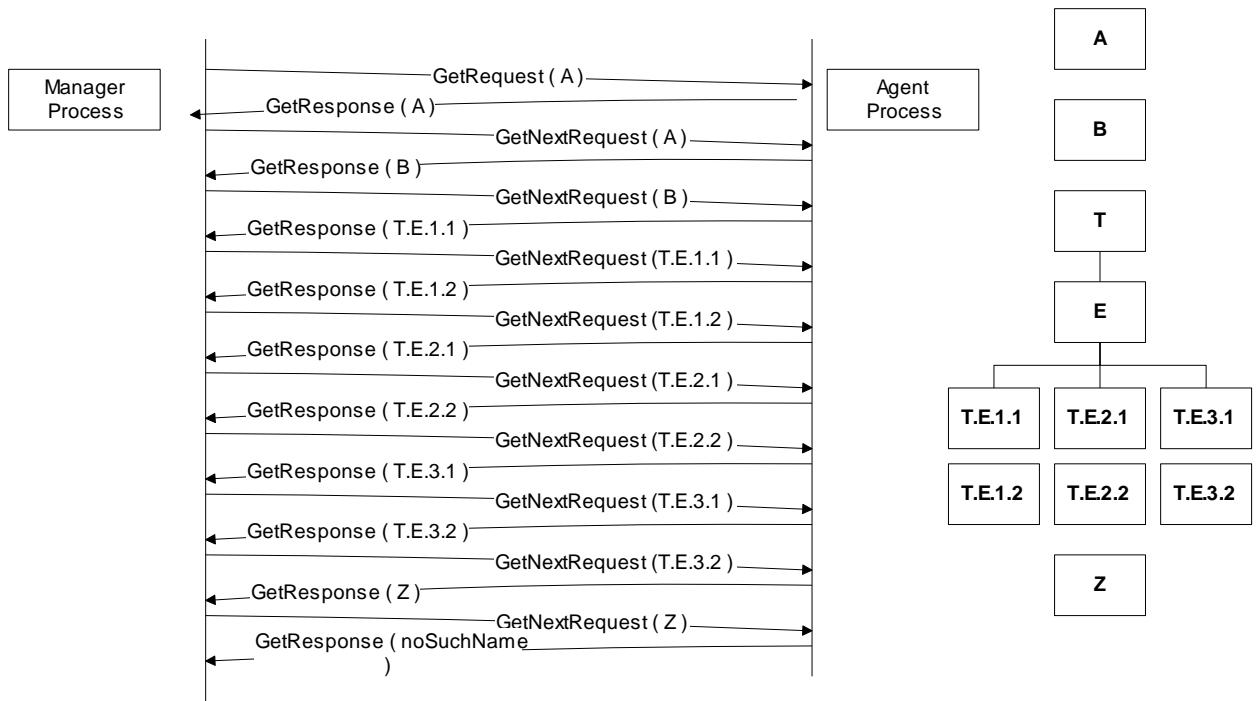


Figure 5.15 Get-Next-Request Operation for MIB in Figure 5.12

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Get-Next-Request Operation

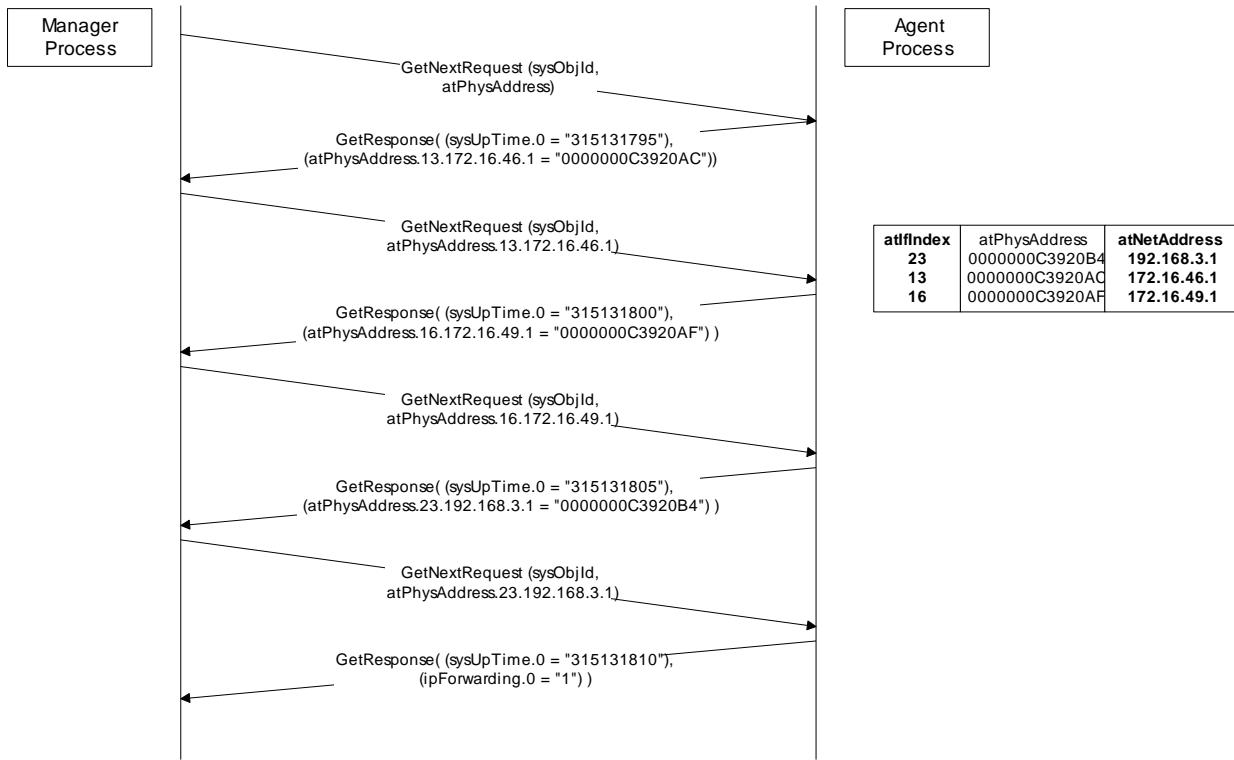


Figure 5.16 GetNextRequest Example with Indices

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Sniffer Data

```
14:03:36.788270 noc3.btc.gatech.edu.164 >
noc1.btc.gatech.edu.snmp:
Community = public
GetRequest(111)
Request ID = 4
system.sysDescr.0
system.sysObjectID.0
system.sysUpTime.0
system.sysContact.0
system.sysName.0
system.sysLocation.0
system.sysServices.0
```

Figure 5.17(a) Get-Request Message from Manager-to-Agent

```
14:03:36.798269 noc1.btc.gatech.edu.snmp >
noc3.btc.gatech.edu.164:
Community = public
GetResponse(196)
Request ID = 4
system.sysDescr.0 = "SunOS noc1 5.5.1 Generic_103640-08
sun4u"
system.sysObjectID.0 = E:hp.2.3.10.1.2
system.sysUpTime.0 = 247396453
system.sysContact.0 = "Brandon Rhodes"
system.sysName.0 = "noc1"
system.sysLocation.0 = "BTC NM Lab"
system.sysServices.0 = 72
```

**Figure 5.17(b) Get-Response Message from Agent-to-
Manager (After)**

SNMP MIB

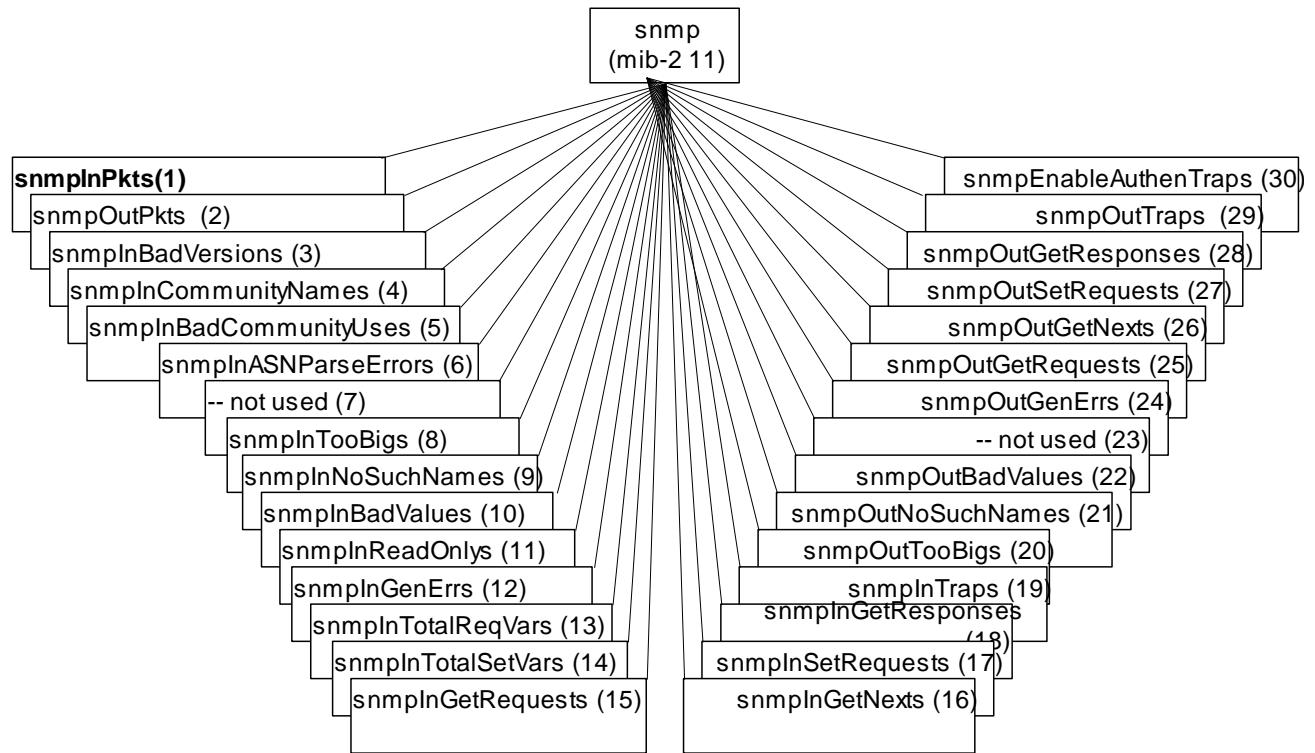


Figure 5.21 SNMP Group

Notes

- SNMPv1 MIB has too many objects that are not used
- SNMPv2 obsoleted a large number of them

Note: Most of the MIB objects were not used and hence deprecated in SNMPv2