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## Definitions of Managed Objects for Packet Sampling

### 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 extensions to the IPFIX-SELECTOR-MIB module. For IP Flow Information eXport (IPFIX) implementations that use Packet Sampling (PSAMP) techniques, this memo defines the PSAMP-MIB module containing managed objects for providing information on applied packet selection functions and their parameters.

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## 1. 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].

## 2. Introduction

The key words "MUST", "MUST NOT", "REQUIRED", "SHALL", "SHALL NOT", "SHOULD", "SHOULD NOT", "RECOMMENDED", "NOT RECOMMENDED", "MAY", and "OPTIONAL" in this document are to be interpreted as described in RFC 2119 [RFC2119].

This document is a product of the IP Flow Information eXport (IPFIX) Working Group (WG). Work on this document was started in the Packet Sampling (PSAMP) WG and moved to the IPFIX WG when the PSAMP WG was concluded.

Its purpose is to define managed objects for monitoring, PSAMP Devices performing packet selection by Sampling and Filtering as described in [RFC5475].

It is assumed that packet Sampling is performed according to the framework defined in [RFC5474]. In this document, the PSAMP terms that appear capitalized are used as defined in [RFC5475].

Managed objects in the PSAMP MIB module are defined as an extension of the IPFIX-MIB and IPFIX-SELECTOR-MIB modules [RFC6615]. Since the IPFIX MIB module is only for monitoring the same holds true for the PSAMP MIB module defined in this document. The definition of objects is in line with the PSAMP information model [RFC5477].

Section 3 gives an overview of the PSAMP documents, while Section 4 refers to the related IPFIX documents. Section 5 describes the structure of the PSAMP MIB module, and Section 6 contains the formal definition. Security issues are discussed in Section 7.

### 3. Overview of PSAMP Documents

[RFC5474]: "A Framework for Packet Selection and Reporting" describes the PSAMP framework for network elements to select subsets of packets by statistical and other methods, and to export a stream of reports on the selected packets to a Collector.

[RFC5475]: "Sampling and Filtering Techniques for IP Packet Selection" describes the set of packet selection techniques supported by PSAMP.

[RFC5476]: "Packet Sampling (PSAMP) Protocol Specifications" specifies the export of packet information from a PSAMP Exporting Process to a PSAMP Collecting Process.

[RFC5477]: "Information Model for Packet Sampling Exports" defines an information and data model for PSAMP.

This document: "Definitions of Managed Objects for Packet Sampling" describes the PSAMP Management Information Base.

### 4. Related IPFIX Documents

The IPFIX protocol provides network administrators with access to IP Flow information.

[RFC5101]: "Specification of the IP Flow Information Export (IPFIX) Protocol for the Exchange of IP Traffic Flow Information" specifies how IPFIX Data Records and Templates are carried via a congestion-aware transport protocol from IPFIX Exporting Processes to IPFIX Collecting Processes. It also specifies the data types used in the PSAMP MIB module and their encoding.

[RFC6615]: The IPFIX-MIB "Definitions of Managed Objects for IP Flow Information Export" is the basis for this document because it extends the IPFIX SELECTOR MIB module defined there.

### 5. Structure of the PSAMP MIB module

The IPFIX-MIB module defined in [RFC6615] has the concept of a packet Selection Process containing a set of Selector function instances. Selection Processes and functions are referenced in the `ipfixSelectionProcessTable` of the IPFIX-MIB module. The `ipfixSelectionProcessTable` identifies an instance of a Selector function by an OID. The OID points to an object that describes the Selector function. For simple Selector functions without parameters, the OID refers to an object that contains only one additional object indicating the current availability of the function. For functions

that have one or more parameters, the object has a subtree that, in addition to an availability object, contains a table with a conceptual column for each parameter. Entries (conceptual rows) in this table represent different combinations of parameter values for instances of the Selector function.

The object `ipfixSelectorFunctions` in the IPFIX SELECTOR MIB module serves as the root for objects that describe instances of packet Selector functions. The IPFIX SELECTOR MIB module is a very small module that is defined in [RFC6615]. The top-level OIDs of the parameter trees located beneath `ipfixSelectorFunctions` are maintained by IANA. In the IPFIX SELECTOR MIB module as defined by [RFC6615], the object `ipfixSelectorFunctions` contains just a single trivial packet Selector function called `ipfixFuncSelectAll` that selects every packet and has no parameter:

```
ipfixSelectorMIB
+- ipfixSelectorObjects(1)
  +- ipfixSelectorFunctions(1)
    +- ipfixFuncSelectAll(1)
      +- ipfixFuncSelectAllAvail(1)
```

The PSAMP MIB module defined in this document registers additional top-level OIDs for the parameter subtrees of its Selector functions in the IPFIX-SELECTOR-MIB Function sub-registry according to the procedures defined in [RFC6615]. It introduces six new subtrees beneath `ipfixSelectorFunctions`. Each of them describes a packet Selector function with one or more parameters. Naming and ordering of objects is fully in line with the guidelines given in Section 6.1 of [RFC6615]. All functions and their parameters are already listed in the overview of functions given by the table in Section 8.2.1 of [RFC5477].

### 5.1. Textual Conventions

The PSAMP MIB module imports two textual conventions that define data types used in this MIB module from other MIB modules. The `Unsigned64TC` data type is imported from the APPLICATION MIB module [RFC2564], and the `Float64TC` data type is imported from the FLOAT-TC-MIB module [RFC6340]. Those data types are defined according to [RFC5101]. Those data types are not an integral part of [RFC2578] but are needed to define objects in this MIB module that conform to the Information Elements defined for those objects in [RFC5477].

The `Unsigned64TC` textual convention describes an unsigned integer of 64 bits. It is imported from the APPLICATION MIB module. The `Float64TC` textual convention describes the format that is used for 64-bit floating point numbers.

## 5.2. Packet Selection Functions

In general, different packet Selector functions have different parameters. The PSAMP MIB module contains six objects with subtrees that provide information on parameters of function instances of different Selector functions. All objects are named and structured according to Section 8.2.1 of [RFC5477]:

```
ipfixSelectorFunctions(1)
+-- psampSampCountBased(2)
+-- psampSampTimeBased(3)
+-- psampSampRandOutOfN(4)
+-- psampSampUniProb(5)
+-- psampFiltPropMatch(6)
+-- psampFiltHash(7)
```

Indexing of these functions in the PSAMP MIB module starts with index (2). The function ipfixFuncSelectAll with index (1) is already defined in the IPFIX SELECTOR MIB module as shown above.

The object tree for each of these functions is described below. Semantics of all functions and their parameters are described in detail in [RFC5475]. More information on the Selector Reports can also be found in Section 6.5.2 of [RFC5476].

### 5.2.1. Systematic Count-Based Sampling

The first Selector function is systematic count-based Sampling. Its availability is indicated by object psampSampCountBasedAvail. The function has two parameters: psampSampCountBasedInterval and psampSampCountBasedSpace. Different combinations of values of these parameters for different instances of the Selector function are represented by different conceptual rows in the table psampSampCountBasedParamSetTable:

```
psampSampCountBased(2)
+-- psampSampCountBasedAvail(1)
+-- psampSampCountBasedParamSetTable(2)
    +-- psampSampCountBasedParamSetEntry(1) [psampSampCountBasedIndex]
        +-- psampSampCountBasedIndex(1)
        +-- psampSampCountBasedInterval(2)
        +-- psampSampCountBasedSpace(3)
```

### 5.2.2. Systematic Time-Based Sampling

The second Selector function is systematic time-based Sampling. The structure of the subtree for this function is similar to the psampSampCountBased subtree. Parameters are

psampSampTimeBasedInterval and psampSampTimeBasedSpace. They appear to be the same as for count-based Sampling, but their data types are different because they indicate time values instead of numbers of packets:

```
psampSampTimeBased(3)
+-- psampSampTimeBasedAvail(1)
+-- psampSampTimeBasedParamSetTable(2)
    +-- psampSampTimeBasedParamSetEntry(1) [psampSampTimeBasedIndex]
        +-- psampSampTimeBasedIndex(1)
        +-- psampSampTimeBasedInterval(2)
        +-- psampSampTimeBasedSpace(3)
```

#### 5.2.3. Random n-out-of-N Sampling

The third Selector function is random n-out-of-N Sampling. Parameters are psampSampRandOutOfNSize and psampSampRandOutOfNPopulation:

```
psampSampRandOutOfN(4)
+-- psampSampRandOutOfNAvail(1)
+-- psampSampRandOutOfNParamSetTable(2)
    +-- psampSampRandOutOfNParamSetEntry(1) [psampSampRandOutOfNIndex]
        +-- psampSampRandOutOfNIndex(1)
        +-- psampSampRandOutOfNSize(2)
        +-- psampSampRandOutOfNPopulation(3)
```

#### 5.2.4. Uniform Probabilistic Sampling

The fourth Selector function is uniform probabilistic Sampling. It has just a single parameter called psampSampUniProbProbability:

```
psampSampUniProb(5)
+-- psampSampUniProbAvail(1)
+-- psampSampUniProbParamSetTable(2)
    +-- psampSampUniProbParamSetEntry(1) [psampSampUniProbIndex]
        +-- psampSampUniProbIndex(1)
        +-- psampSampUniProbProbability(2)
```

#### 5.2.5. Property Match Filtering

The fifth Selector function is property match Filtering. For this Selector function, there is a broad variety of possible parameters that could be used. But, as stated in Section 8.2.1 of [RFC5477], there are no agreed parameters specified and the subtree for this function only contains an object indicating the availability of this function. Parameters cannot be retrieved via the PSAMP MIB module:

```
psampFiltPropMatch(6)
+-- psampFiltPropMatchAvail(1)
```

#### 5.2.6. Hash-Based Filtering

The sixth Selector function is hash-based Filtering. The object `psampFiltHashFunction` is an enumeration that specifies the kind of hash function that is applied. These hash functions have quite a number of parameters, and the actual number may vary with the choice of the hash function applied. The common parameter set for all hash-based Filtering functions contains 7 parameters:

```
psampFiltHashInitializerValue, psampFiltHashIpPayloadOffset,
psampFiltHashIpPayloadSize, psampFiltHashSelectedRangeMin,
psampFiltHashSelectedRangeMax, psampFiltHashOutputRangeMin, and
psampFiltHashOutputRangeMax.
```

```
psampFiltHash(7)
+-- psampFiltHashAvail(1)
+-- psampFiltHashCapabilities(2)
+-- psampFiltHashParamSetTable(3)
    +-- psampFiltHashParamSetEntry(1) [psampFiltHashIndex]
        +-- psampFiltHashIndex(1)
        +-- psampFiltHashFunction(2)
        +-- psampFiltHashInitializerValue(3)
        +-- psampFiltHashIpPayloadOffset(4)
        +-- psampFiltHashIpPayloadSize(5)
        +-- psampFiltHashSelectedRangeMin(6)
        +-- psampFiltHashSelectedRangeMax(7)
        +-- psampFiltHashOutputRangeMin(8)
        +-- psampFiltHashOutputRangeMax(9)
```

Further parameters depend on the applied hash function and are not specified within the PSAMP MIB module.

## 6. Definitions

```
PSAMP-MIB DEFINITIONS ::= BEGIN

IMPORTS
    MODULE-IDENTITY, OBJECT-TYPE, Integer32, Unsigned32, mib-2
        FROM SNMPv2-SMI
        TruthValue
        FROM SNMPv2-TC
    MODULE-COMPLIANCE, OBJECT-GROUP
        FROM SNMPv2-CONF
    Unsigned64TC
        FROM APPLICATION-MIB
    Float64TC
        FROM FLOAT-TC-MIB
    ipfixSelectorFunctions
        FROM IPFIX-SELECTOR-MIB;

psampMIB MODULE-IDENTITY
    LAST-UPDATED "201209051200Z"
    ORGANIZATION "IETF IPFIX Working Group"
    CONTACT-INFO
        "WG charter:
         http://datatracker.ietf.org/wg/ipfix/charter/

        Mailing Lists:
        General Discussion: ipfix@ietf.org
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        http://www.ietf.org/mail-archive/web/ipfix/current/maillist.html

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DESCRIPTION

"The PSAMP MIB defines managed objects for packet sampling and filtering.

These objects provide information about managed nodes supporting packet sampling, including packet sampling capabilities, configuration, and statistics. The PSAMP MIB module registers additional top-level OIDs for the parameter subtrees of its Selector functions in the IPFIX-SELECTOR-MIB Function sub-registry according to the procedures defined in RFC 6615.

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-- Top-level structure of the MIB

psampObjects OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { psampMIB 1 }  
 psampConformance OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { psampMIB 2 }

=====  
 -- Packet selection sampling methods group of objects  
 =====

```

=====
--* Method 1: Systematic count-based Sampling
=====

-- Reference: RFC 5475 (Section 5.1), RFC 5476 (Section 6.5.2.1),
--             and RFC 5477 (Section 8.2)
psampSampCountBased OBJECT IDENTIFIER
    ::= { ipfixSelectorFunctions 2 }

psampSampCountBasedAvail OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      TruthValue
    MAX-ACCESS  read-only
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "This object indicates the availability of systematic
        count-based sampling at the managed node.

        A Selector may be unavailable if it is implemented but
        currently disabled due to, e.g., administrative reasons, lack
        of resources, or similar."
    ::= { psampSampCountBased 1 }

-- Parameter Set Table ++++++

psampSampCountBasedParamSetTable OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      SEQUENCE OF
                PsampSampCountBasedParamSetEntry
    MAX-ACCESS  not-accessible
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "This table lists configurations of systematic count-based
        packet sampling. A parameter set describing a
        configuration contains two parameters: the sampling
        interval length and space."
    ::= { psampSampCountBased 2 }

psampSampCountBasedParamSetEntry OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      PsampSampCountBasedParamSetEntry
    MAX-ACCESS  not-accessible
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "Defines an entry in the psampSampCountBasedParamSetTable."
    INDEX { psampSampCountBasedIndex }
    ::= { psampSampCountBasedParamSetTable 1 }

PsampSampCountBasedParamSetEntry ::=
    SEQUENCE {
        psampSampCountBasedIndex      Integer32,

```

```

    psampSampCountBasedInterval Unsigned32,
    psampSampCountBasedSpace    Unsigned32
  }

```

```

psampSampCountBasedIndex OBJECT-TYPE
  SYNTAX      Integer32 (1..2147483647)
  MAX-ACCESS  not-accessible
  STATUS      current
  DESCRIPTION
    "The index of this parameter set in the
    psampSampCountBasedParamSetTable. It is used in the
    object ipfixSelectionProcessSelectorFunction entries of
    the ipfixSelectionProcessTable in the IPFIX-MIB as reference
    to this parameter set."
  ::= { psampSampCountBasedParamSetEntry 1 }

```

```

psampSampCountBasedInterval OBJECT-TYPE
  SYNTAX      Unsigned32
  UNITS       "packets"
  MAX-ACCESS  read-only
  STATUS      current
  DESCRIPTION
    "This object specifies the number of packets that are
    consecutively sampled. A value of 100 means that 100
    consecutive packets are sampled."
  REFERENCE
    "RFC 5475 (Section 5.1) and RFC 5477 (Section 8.2)"
  ::= { psampSampCountBasedParamSetEntry 2 }

```

```

psampSampCountBasedSpace OBJECT-TYPE
  SYNTAX      Unsigned32
  UNITS       "packets"
  MAX-ACCESS  read-only
  STATUS      current
  DESCRIPTION
    "This object specifies the number of packets between two
    intervals specified by the object
    psampSampCountBasedInterval. A value of 100 means that
    the next interval starts 100 packets (which are not sampled)
    after the current psampSampCountBasedInterval is over."
  REFERENCE
    "RFC 5475 (Section 5.1) and RFC 5477 (Section 8.2)"
  ::= { psampSampCountBasedParamSetEntry 3 }

```

```

-----
--* Method 2: Systematic time-based Sampling
-----

```

```

-- Reference: RFC 5475 (Section 5.1), RFC 5476 (Section 6.5.2.2),
--           and RFC 5477 (Section 8.2)
psampSampTimeBased OBJECT IDENTIFIER
    ::= { ipfixSelectorFunctions 3 }

psampSampTimeBasedAvail OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      TruthValue
    MAX-ACCESS  read-only
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "This object indicates the availability of systematic
        time-based sampling at the managed node.

        A Selector may be unavailable if it is implemented but
        currently disabled due to, e.g., administrative reasons, lack
        of resources, or similar."
    ::= { psampSampTimeBased 1 }

-- Parameter Set Table ++++++

psampSampTimeBasedParamSetTable OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      SEQUENCE OF
                PsampSampTimeBasedParamSetEntry
    MAX-ACCESS  not-accessible
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "This table lists configurations of systematic time-based
        packet sampling. A parameter set describing a configuration
        contains two parameters: the sampling interval length and
        the space."
    ::= { psampSampTimeBased 2 }

psampSampTimeBasedParamSetEntry OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      PsampSampTimeBasedParamSetEntry
    MAX-ACCESS  not-accessible
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "Defines an entry in the psampSampTimeBasedParamSetTable."
    INDEX { psampSampTimeBasedIndex }
    ::= { psampSampTimeBasedParamSetTable 1 }

PsampSampTimeBasedParamSetEntry ::=
    SEQUENCE {
        psampSampTimeBasedIndex      Integer32,
        psampSampTimeBasedInterval   Unsigned32,
        psampSampTimeBasedSpace      Unsigned32
    }

```

```

psampSampTimeBasedIndex OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      Integer32 (1..2147483647)
    MAX-ACCESS  not-accessible
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "The index of this parameter set in the
        psampSampTimeBasedParamSetTable. It is used in the
        object ipfixSelectionProcessSelectorFunction entries of
        the ipfixSelectionProcessTable in the IPFIX-MIB as reference
        to this parameter set."
    ::= { psampSampTimeBasedParamSetEntry 1 }

psampSampTimeBasedInterval OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      Unsigned32
    UNITS       "microseconds"
    MAX-ACCESS  read-only
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "This object specifies the time interval in microseconds
        during which all arriving packets are sampled."
    REFERENCE
        "RFC 5475 (Section 5.1) and RFC 5477 (Section 8.2)"
    ::= { psampSampTimeBasedParamSetEntry 2 }

psampSampTimeBasedSpace OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      Unsigned32
    UNITS       "microseconds"
    MAX-ACCESS  read-only
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "This object specifies the time interval in microseconds
        between two intervals specified by the object
        psampSampTimeBasedInterval. A value of 100 means that the
        next interval starts 100 microseconds (during which no
        packets are sampled) after the current
        psampSampTimeBasedInterval is over."
    REFERENCE
        "RFC 5475 (Section 5.1) and RFC 5477 (Section 8.2)"
    ::= { psampSampTimeBasedParamSetEntry 3 }

-----
--* Method 3: Random n-out-of-N Sampling
-----

-- Reference: RFC 5475 (Section 5.2.1), RFC 5476 (Section 6.5.2.3),
--             and RFC 5477 (Section 8.2)
psampSampRandOutOfN OBJECT IDENTIFIER
    ::= { ipfixSelectorFunctions 4 }

```

```

psampSampRandOutOfNAvail OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      TruthValue
    MAX-ACCESS  read-only
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "This object indicates the availability of random n-out-of-N
        sampling at the managed node.

        A Selector may be unavailable if it is implemented but
        currently disabled due to, e.g., administrative reasons, lack
        of resources, or similar."
 ::= { psampSampRandOutOfN 1 }

```

-- Parameter Set Table ++++++

```

psampSampRandOutOfNParamSetTable OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      SEQUENCE OF
                PsampSampRandOutOfNParamSetEntry
    MAX-ACCESS  not-accessible
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "This table lists configurations of random n-out-of-N
        sampling. A parameter set describing a configuration
        contains two parameters: the sampling size and the
        parent population."
 ::= { psampSampRandOutOfN 2 }

psampSampRandOutOfNParamSetEntry OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      PsampSampRandOutOfNParamSetEntry
    MAX-ACCESS  not-accessible
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "Defines an entry in the psampSampRandOutOfNParamSetTable."
    INDEX { psampSampRandOutOfNIndex }
 ::= { psampSampRandOutOfNParamSetTable 1 }

```

```

PsampSampRandOutOfNParamSetEntry ::=
    SEQUENCE {
        psampSampRandOutOfNIndex      Integer32,
        psampSampRandOutOfNSize      Unsigned32,
        psampSampRandOutOfNPopulation Unsigned32
    }

```

```

psampSampRandOutOfNIndex OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      Integer32 (1..2147483647)
    MAX-ACCESS  not-accessible
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION

```

```

    "The index of this parameter set in the
    psampSampRandOutOfNParamSetTable. It is used in the
    object ipfixSelectionProcessSelectorFunction entries of
    the ipfixSelectionProcessTable in the IPFIX-MIB as reference
    to this parameter set."
 ::= { psampSampRandOutOfNParamSetEntry 1 }

psampSampRandOutOfNSize OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      Unsigned32
    UNITS       "packets"
    MAX-ACCESS  read-only
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "This object specifies the number of elements taken from the
        parent Population specified in
        psampSampRandOutOfNPopulation."
    REFERENCE
        "RFC 5475 (Section 5.2.1) and RFC 5477 (Section 8.2)"
 ::= { psampSampRandOutOfNParamSetEntry 2 }

psampSampRandOutOfNPopulation OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      Unsigned32
    UNITS       "packets"
    MAX-ACCESS  read-only
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "This object specifies the number of elements in the parent
        Population."
    REFERENCE
        "RFC 5475 (Section 5.2.1) and RFC 5477 (Section 8.2)"
 ::= { psampSampRandOutOfNParamSetEntry 3 }

-----
--* Method 4: Uniform probabilistic Sampling
-----

-- Reference: RFC 5475 (Section 5.2.2), RFC 5476 (Section 6.5.2.4),
--             and RFC 5477 (Section 8.2)
psampSampUniProb OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { ipfixSelectorFunctions 5 }

psampSampUniProbAvail OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      TruthValue
    MAX-ACCESS  read-only
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "This object indicates the availability of random uniform
        probabilistic sampling at the managed node.

```

```

    A Selector may be unavailable if it is implemented but
    currently disabled due to, e.g., administrative reasons, lack
    of resources, or similar."
 ::= { psampSampUniProb 1 }

-- Parameter Set Table ++++++
-- Reference: RFC 5475 (Section 5.2.2.1) and RFC 5477 (Section 8.2)
psampSampUniProbParamSetTable OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX          SEQUENCE OF
                    PsampSampUniProbParamSetEntry
    MAX-ACCESS      not-accessible
    STATUS          current
    DESCRIPTION
        "This table lists configurations of random probabilistic
        sampling. A parameter set describing a configuration
        contains a single parameter only: the sampling probability."
 ::= { psampSampUniProb 2 }

psampSampUniProbParamSetEntry OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX          PsampSampUniProbParamSetEntry
    MAX-ACCESS      not-accessible
    STATUS          current
    DESCRIPTION
        "Defines an entry in the psampSampUniProbParamSetTable."
    INDEX { psampSampUniProbIndex }
 ::= { psampSampUniProbParamSetTable 1 }

PsampSampUniProbParamSetEntry ::=
    SEQUENCE {
        psampSampUniProbIndex      Integer32,
        psampSampUniProbProbability Float64TC
    }

psampSampUniProbIndex OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX          Integer32 (1..2147483647)
    MAX-ACCESS      not-accessible
    STATUS          current
    DESCRIPTION
        "The index of this parameter set in the
        psampSampUniProbParamSetTable. It is used in the
        object ipfixSelectionProcessSelectorFunction entries of
        the ipfixSelectionProcessTable in the IPFIX-MIB as reference
        to this parameter set."
 ::= { psampSampUniProbParamSetEntry 1 }

psampSampUniProbProbability OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX          Float64TC

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MAX-ACCESS    read-only
STATUS        current
DESCRIPTION
    "This object specifies the probability that a packet is
    sampled, expressed as a value between 0 and 1.  The
    probability is equal for every packet.  A value of 0 means
    no packet is sampled since the probability is 0.  A value
    of 1 means all packets are sampled since the
    probability is 1.  NaN (not a number) and infinity MUST NOT
    be used."
REFERENCE
    "RFC 5475 (Section 5.2.2.1) and RFC 5477 (Section 8.2)"
 ::= { psampSampUniProbParamSetEntry 2 }

-----
-- Packet selection filtering methods for a group of objects
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--* Method 5: Property Match filtering
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-- Reserves Method 5; see RFC 5475 (Section 6.1), RFC 5476
-- (Section 6.5.2.5), and RFC 5477
psampFiltPropMatch OBJECT IDENTIFIER
 ::= { ipfixSelectorFunctions 6 }

psampFiltPropMatchAvail OBJECT-TYPE
SYNTAX        TruthValue
MAX-ACCESS    read-only
STATUS        current
DESCRIPTION
    "This object indicates the availability of property match
    filtering at the managed node.

    A Selector may be unavailable if it is implemented but
    currently disabled due to, e.g., administrative reasons, lack
    of resources, or similar."
 ::= { psampFiltPropMatch 1 }

-----
--* Method 6: Hash filtering
-----

-- Reference: RFC 5475 (Section 6.2), RFC 5476 (Section 6.5.2.6),
--             and RFC 5477 (Section 8.3)
psampFiltHash OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { ipfixSelectorFunctions 7 }

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psampFiltHashAvail OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      TruthValue
    MAX-ACCESS  read-only
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "This object indicates the availability of hash filtering
        at the managed node.

        A Selector may be unavailable if it is implemented but
        currently disabled due to, e.g., administrative reasons, lack
        of resources, or similar."
    ::= { psampFiltHash 1 }

psampFiltHashCapabilities OBJECT IDENTIFIER
    ::= { psampFiltHash 2 }

-- Parameter Set Table ++++++

-- Reference: RFC 5475, Sections 6.2, 3.8, and 7.1
psampFiltHashParamSetTable OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      SEQUENCE OF
                PsampFiltHashParamSetEntry
    MAX-ACCESS  not-accessible
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "This table lists configurations of hash filtering. A
        parameter set describing a configuration contains eight
        parameters describing the hash function."
    ::= { psampFiltHash 3 }

psampFiltHashParamSetEntry OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      PsampFiltHashParamSetEntry
    MAX-ACCESS  not-accessible
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "Defines an entry in the psampFiltHashParamSetTable."
    INDEX { psampFiltHashIndex }
    ::= { psampFiltHashParamSetTable 1 }

PsampFiltHashParamSetEntry ::=
    SEQUENCE {
        psampFiltHashIndex      Integer32,
        psampFiltHashFunction   INTEGER,
        psampFiltHashInitializerValue Unsigned64TC,
        psampFiltHashIpPayloadOffset Unsigned64TC,
        psampFiltHashIpPayloadSize Unsigned64TC,
        psampFiltHashSelectedRangeMin Unsigned64TC,
        psampFiltHashSelectedRangeMax Unsigned64TC,
    }

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        psampFiltHashOutputRangeMin    Unsigned64TC,
        psampFiltHashOutputRangeMax    Unsigned64TC
    }

psampFiltHashIndex OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      Integer32 (1..2147483647)
    MAX-ACCESS  not-accessible
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "The index of this parameter set in the
        psampFiltHashParamSetTable.  It is used in the
        object ipfixSelectionProcessSelectorFunction entries of
        the ipfixSelectionProcessTable in the IPFIX-MIB as reference
        to this parameter set."
    ::= { psampFiltHashParamSetEntry 1 }

psampFiltHashFunction OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      INTEGER {
                    crc32(1),
                    ipsx(2),
                    bob(3)
                }
    MAX-ACCESS  read-only
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "The hash function used by this filter.  The PSAMP-MIB
        defines the following hash functions:

        crc32(1): The CRC-32 Hash Function as defined in RFC 1141.

        ipsx(2): The IPSX Hash Function as described in RFC 5475,
        Appendix A.1.

        bob(3): The BOB Hash Function as described in RFC 5475,
        Appendix A.2.

        "
    REFERENCE
        "RFC 5475 (Section 6.2 and Appendixes A.1 and A.2)
        and RFC 1141"
    ::= { psampFiltHashParamSetEntry 2 }

psampFiltHashInitializerValue OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      Unsigned64TC
    MAX-ACCESS  read-only
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "This object specifies the initializer value to the hash
        function."

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## REFERENCE

"RFC 5475, Sections 6.2, 3.8, and 7.1"  
 ::= { psampFiltHashParamSetEntry 3 }

## psampFiltHashIpPayloadOffset OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Unsigned64TC

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

## DESCRIPTION

"This object specifies the IP payload offset used by a Hash-based Selection Selector."

## REFERENCE

"RFC 5475, Sections 6.2, 3.8, and 7.1"  
 ::= { psampFiltHashParamSetEntry 4 }

## psampFiltHashIpPayloadSize OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Unsigned64TC

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

## DESCRIPTION

"This object specifies the IP payload size used by a Hash-based Selection Selector."

## REFERENCE

"RFC 5475, Sections 6.2, 3.8, and 7.1"  
 ::= { psampFiltHashParamSetEntry 5 }

## psampFiltHashSelectedRangeMin OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Unsigned64TC

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

## DESCRIPTION

"This object specifies the value for the beginning of a hash function's selected range."

## REFERENCE

"RFC 5475, Sections 6.2, 3.8, and 7.1"  
 ::= { psampFiltHashParamSetEntry 6 }

## psampFiltHashSelectedRangeMax OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Unsigned64TC

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

## DESCRIPTION

"This object specifies the value for the end of a hash function's selected range."

## REFERENCE

"RFC 5475, Sections 6.2, 3.8, and 7.1"  
 ::= { psampFiltHashParamSetEntry 7 }

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psampFiltHashOutputRangeMin OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      Unsigned64TC
    MAX-ACCESS  read-only
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "This object specifies the value for the beginning of a hash
        function's potential output range."
    REFERENCE
        "RFC 5475, Sections 6.2, 3.8, and 7.1"
    ::= { psampFiltHashParamSetEntry 8 }

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psampFiltHashOutputRangeMax OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      Unsigned64TC
    MAX-ACCESS  read-only
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "This object specifies the value for the end of a hash
        function's potential output range."
    REFERENCE
        "RFC 5475, Sections 6.2, 3.8, and 7.1"
    ::= { psampFiltHashParamSetEntry 9 }

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=====
-- Conformance information
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psampCompliances OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { psampConformance 1 }
psampGroups      OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { psampConformance 2 }

```

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=====
-- Compliance statements
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psampCompliance MODULE-COMPLIANCE
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "The implementation of all objects is optional and depends
        on the implementation of the corresponding functionality in
        the equipment."
    MODULE -- this module
    GROUP psampGroupSampCountBased
    DESCRIPTION
        "These objects must be implemented if systematic
        count-based sampling is implemented in the equipment."
    GROUP psampGroupSampTimeBased
    DESCRIPTION
        "These objects must be implemented if systematic
        time-based sampling is implemented in the equipment."

```

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GROUP psampGroupSampRandOutOfN
DESCRIPTION
    "These objects must be implemented if random n-out-of-N
    sampling is implemented in the equipment."
GROUP psampGroupSampUniProb
DESCRIPTION
    "These objects must be implemented if uniform
    probabilistic sampling is implemented in the equipment."
GROUP psampGroupFiltPropMatch
DESCRIPTION
    "These objects must be implemented if the property match
    filtering is implemented in the equipment."
GROUP psampGroupFiltHash
DESCRIPTION
    "These objects must be implemented if hash filtering
    is implemented in the equipment."
 ::= { psampCompliances 1 }

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-- MIB groupings
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psampGroupSampCountBased OBJECT-GROUP
  OBJECTS {
    psampSampCountBasedAvail,
    psampSampCountBasedInterval,
    psampSampCountBasedSpace
  }
  STATUS current
  DESCRIPTION
    "These objects are needed if count based sampling is
    implemented."
  ::= { psampGroups 1 }

psampGroupSampTimeBased OBJECT-GROUP
  OBJECTS {
    psampSampTimeBasedAvail,
    psampSampTimeBasedInterval,
    psampSampTimeBasedSpace
  }
  STATUS current
  DESCRIPTION
    "These objects are needed if time based sampling is
    implemented."
  ::= { psampGroups 2 }

psampGroupSampRandOutOfN OBJECT-GROUP
  OBJECTS {

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        psampSampRandOutOfNAvail,
        psampSampRandOutOfNSize,
        psampSampRandOutOfNPopulation
    }
STATUS current
DESCRIPTION
    "These objects are needed if random n-out-of-N sampling is
    implemented."
 ::= { psampGroups 3 }

psampGroupSampUniProb OBJECT-GROUP
OBJECTS {
    psampSampUniProbAvail,
    psampSampUniProbProbability
}
STATUS current
DESCRIPTION
    "These objects are needed if uniform probabilistic sampling
    is implemented."
 ::= { psampGroups 4 }

psampGroupFiltPropMatch OBJECT-GROUP
OBJECTS {
    psampFiltPropMatchAvail
}
STATUS current
DESCRIPTION
    "These objects are needed if property match filtering is
    implemented."
 ::= { psampGroups 5 }

psampGroupFiltHash OBJECT-GROUP
OBJECTS {
    psampFiltHashAvail,
    psampFiltHashFunction,
    psampFiltHashInitializerValue,
    psampFiltHashIpPayloadOffset,
    psampFiltHashIpPayloadSize,
    psampFiltHashSelectedRangeMin,
    psampFiltHashSelectedRangeMax,
    psampFiltHashOutputRangeMin,
    psampFiltHashOutputRangeMax
}
STATUS current
DESCRIPTION
    "These objects are needed if hash filtering is implemented."
 ::= { psampGroups 6 }

```

END

## 7. 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.

All tables in this MIB module may be considered sensitive or vulnerable in some network environments because objects in the tables may reveal information about the network infrastructure and device configuration. 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.

SNMP versions prior to SNMPv3 did not include adequate security. Even if the network itself is secure (for example by using IPsec), 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 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) who have legitimate rights to GET or SET (change/create/delete) them.

## 8. IANA Considerations

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

Descriptor	OBJECT IDENTIFIER value
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psampMIB	{ mib-2 212 }

Further, IANA has registered the following top-level OIDs in the IPFIX-SELECTOR-MIB Functions sub-registry at <http://www.iana.org/assignments/smi-numbers> according to the procedures set forth in [RFC6615]:

Decimal	Name	Description	Reference
2	psampSampCountBased	Systematic Count-based Sampling	[RFC6727]
3	psampSampTimeBased	Systematic Time-based Sampling	[RFC6727]
4	psampSampRandOutOfN	Random n-out-of-N Sampling	[RFC6727]
5	psampSampUniProb	Universal Probabilistic Sampling	[RFC6727]
6	psampFiltPropMatch	Property Match Filtering	[RFC6727]
7	psampFiltHash	Hash-based Filtering	[RFC6727]

The prerequisites set forth for addition of these OIDs are to be verified based on the content of this document.

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