

802.1CBdb How to spot untagged frames in EISS indications

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Background

- In case of a VLAN aware bridge, the EISS provides the vlan_identifier parameter in the EM_UNITDATA.indication primitive whether the frame was initially tagged or not:
 - EM UNITDATA.indication

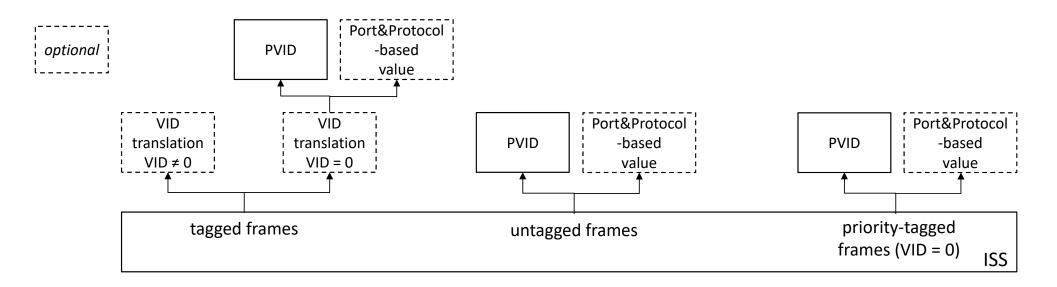
```
(
  destination_address,
  source_address,
  mac_service_data_unit*,
  priority,
  drop_eligible,
  vlan_identifier,
  frame_check_sequence,
  service_access_point_identifier,
  connection_identifier,
  flow_hash,
  time_to_live
)
```

^{*} If the frame is VLAN-tagged, the mac_service_data_unit is the mac_service_data_unit provided by the ISS, which VLAN-tag has been removed.



Background

 What 802.1Q says about the value of the vlan_identifier parameter passed by the EM_UNITDATA.indication primitive (Clause 6.9.1):



- PVID tagging is mandatory, PVID ≠ 0, default value = 1 or 2
- VID translation can translate the incoming VID into VID = 0



Background

- 802.1CB introduces a managed object to determine if a frame includes a VLAN-tag:
 - tsnCpeXxxYyyZzzTagged

"An enumerated value indicating whether a packet in an EISS indication primitive to the Xxx identification function is permitted to have a VLAN tag. It can take the following values:

- 1) **tagged**: A frame must have a VLAN tag to be recognized as belonging to the Stream.
- 2) **priority**: A frame must be untagged, or have a VLAN tag with a VLAN ID = 0 to be recognized as belonging to the Stream.
- 3) **all**: A frame is recognized as belonging to the Stream whether tagged or not.



PROPOSAL



Proposal

 So far Draft 0.0 re-uses the managed object defined in 802.1CB-2017 to determine if the VLAN-ID can be part of the stream identification.

- Do we need to keep it for mask-and-match?
 - Maybe not...
 - Instead, use a specific vlan_identifier match value to identify initially untagged or non-significantly tagged frames...



Proposal

- If Port and protocol based tagging is not used,
 - If vlan_identifier ≠ PVID, the frame was initially tagged, and:
 - vlan_identifier can be used as an input for stream identification
 - If vlan_identifier = PVID, the frame was initially untagged or priority-tagged, or priority-tagged after VID translation:
 - vlan_identifier has no significant value, hence for stream identification
- Do we have to consider that the use of Port and protocol-based tagging is relevant when stream identification is implemented?
 - Tagging can be performed by output instances of Active Destination MAC and VLAN Stream identification functions, based on the stream_handle generated by any passive stream identification function.
 - ... then, no...





Thank you for your attention ______

