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INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY – OPEN SYSTEMS INTERCONNECTION – CONNECTION-ORIENTED SESSION PROTOCOL: PROTOCOL SPECIFICATION

AMENDMENT 2
Nested connections functional unit

1) Subclause 2.1

Insert a new reference in numerical order:

– ITU-T Recommendation X.207 (1993) | ISO/IEC 9545:1994, *Information technology – Open Systems Interconnection – Application layer structure*.

NOTE – ITU-T Rec. X.207 | ISO/IEC 9545 is not essential for the application of this Recommendation | International Standard, but is included in the list of references as it has been referred to, for information, in relation to the applicability of the nested connections functional unit.

2) Subclause 3.2

Add after item i)*:*

j) nested session connection;

k) nested session exception.

3) Subclause 5.6.10

Add to Table 3 a new row just before the Notes:

Nested connections		No additional associated SPDUs	

4) New subclause 5.6.15

Add a new subclause as follows:

5.6.15 Nested Connections functional unit

The nested connections functional unit supports the use of nested session connections.

NOTE – Nested session connections enable a new Application Service Object specification (see ITU-T Rec. X.207 | ISO/IEC 9545) to specify the inclusion within the Object of an Application Service Object governed by an existing specification. The nested session connection permits the inner Application Service Object to have full and independent access to session services (through the use of presentation services) while enabling the outer Application Service Object specification, through actions on the containing connection to retain control of synchronization, resynchronization, and aborting. The sequence of primitives issued for nested connections and for enclosing connections is preserved by the session layer.

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5) New subclause 5.8 *bis*

Add a new subclause just before 5.9 as follows:

5.8 *bis* Nested connection identifier

Each session connection has associated with it a nested connection identifier that is a value from 0 to 255 encoded as a single octet. The outermost session connection has the value zero implicitly associated.

When a nested connection is initiated, the initiator of that session connection assigns a nested connection identifier which is currently not in use for any nested connection (at any depth) on the transport connection to which the nested connection is assigned.

Nested connections initiated by the initiator of the transport connection have the most significant bit of the nested connection identifier set to one. Nested connections initiated by the responder of the transport connection have the most significant bit of the nested connection identifier set to zero.

The nested connection identifier is carried in all SPDUs issued as part of a nested connection. Additionally, the CONNECT SPDU carries a parent nested connection identifier that identifies the immediately enclosing session connection for the new connection.

6) Subclause 6.1.4

Insert after first paragraph of this subclause:

When the nested connections functional unit has been negotiated for a session connection, a new nested session connection may be assigned to the transport connection to which the existing connection has been assigned. This assignment occurs in the initiator SPM if and only if an S-CONNECT request primitive is issued at a connection end-point nested within an existing session connection end-point. It occurs in the responder SPM if a CONNECT SPDU is received in a transport connection on which a session connection is in progress, and results in the creation of a nested session connection end-point within the connection end-point of the parent session connection (as identified by the parent nested connection identifier in the CONNECT SPDU) and an S-CONNECT indication primitive at the new (nested) connection end-point.

Change the original fourth paragraph (beginning Only the initiator ...*) of this subclause:*

Only the initiator of a transport connection is permitted to issue the CONNECT SPDU when there is no session connection on that transport connection. Where the nested connections functional unit has been agreed, both the initiator and the responder can issue the CONNECT SPDU for a nested session connection.

Change the original fifth paragraph (beginning When a session connection ...*) of this subclause:*

When a session connection is terminated, all nested connections which are not yet terminated are terminated with a session provider abort. When the outermost session connection is terminated, the underlying transport connection is also terminated, unless reuse of the transport connection has been agreed.

7) New subclause 6.3.8

Add a new subclause as follows:

6.3.8 Processing order of SPDUs on nested connections

The sequence of primitive events on a nested connection in relation to events on enclosing connections shall be preserved in the transfer of the corresponding SPDUs, and in the issue of corresponding service primitives.

Where the SPM of any connection enclosing a nested connection is discarding DATA SPDUs, all SPDUs on the nested connection shall be discarded, and a nested session exception occurs for the nested connection if any SPDUs are discarded for this reason. Where the SPM of any connection enclosing a nested connection is deferring the passing of primitives (as the result of a received SPDU on the expedited path) to the service user, it shall also defer the processing of SPDUs for a nested connection which are received on the expedited path.

NOTE – The service definition prevents the issue of any service primitives on a nested session connection unless an S-DATA primitive can be issued at that time on all enclosing session connections. It is the responsibility of enclosing application service object specifications to ensure that such states are entered in a timely manner to support the needs of any embedded application service object specification.

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8) Subclause 6.5

Add at the end of this subclause:

NOTE – If such flow control is exercised, it affects all session connections that are assigned to this transport connection.

9) Subclause 7.1

Change this subclause to read:

The CONNECT SPDU is transmitted by the initiator of the transport connection (or in the case of a nested session connection, by either the initiator or the responder of the transport connection) on a previously assigned transport connection in order to initiate a session connection.

10) Subclause 7.1.1

Add a sentence to the end of 7.1.1 d):

For nested session connections, the service primitive does not contain corresponding parameters, and these parameters are absent in the protocol.

Add two new items at the end of 7.1.1:

g) For a nested session connection only, a parent nested connection identifier parameter which identifies the parent session connection.

h) For a nested session connection only, the nested connection identifier parameter assigned to this connection.

11) Subclause 7.2.1

Add at the end of this subclause:

c) For a nested session connection only, the nested connection identifier parameter assigned to this connection.

12) Subclause 7.3.1

Add at the end of this subclause:

c) for a nested session connection only, the nested connection identifier parameter assigned to this connection.

13) Subclause 7.4.1

Add a sentence to the end of 7.4.1 f):

For nested session connections, the service primitive does not contain corresponding parameters, and these parameters are absent in the protocol.

Add a new item h) *as follows:*

h) For a nested session connection only, the nested connection identifier parameter assigned to this connection.

14) Subclause 7.5.1

Add at the end of this subclause:

g) For a nested session connection only, the nested connection identifier parameter assigned to this connection.

NOTE – For a nested connection, the transport disconnect parameter shall always be set to indicate retention of the transport connection.

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