



# Diameter

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Diameter is a networking protocol which is derived from RADIUS protocol. It is considered to be the next generation Authentication, Authorization, and Accounting (AAA) protocol. This is the other core protocol used in the IP Multimedia Subsystem (IMS) architecture for IMS Entities to exchange AAA related information. Cisco Prime Access Registrar (Prime Access Registrar) supports Diameter Applications based on the Diameter Base Protocol defined in RFC 6733.

Diameter is composed of a base protocol and a set of applications which allows it to extend its services to new access technologies. The base protocol provides basic mechanisms for reliable transport, message delivery, and error handling. Each application is defined by an application identifier and associated with commands. Each command is defined with mandatory Attribute Value Pairs (AVPs) and non-mandatory AVPs including vendor-specific AVPs.

The base protocol must be used in conjunction with a Diameter application. Each application relies on the services of the base protocol to support a specific type of network access.

The following is the list of applications supported by Prime Access Registrar:

- Diameter Network Access Server Application (NASREQ, RFC 4005)
- Diameter Base Accounting (RFC 6733)
- Diameter Extensible Authentication Protocol (EAP) Application (RFC 4072)

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# Diameter with EAP Support

The Extensible Authentication Protocol (EAP), is an authentication framework which supports multiple authentication mechanisms. EAP may be used on dedicated links, switched circuits, and wired as well as wireless links. For more information on EAP support in Prime Access Registrar, see [Chapter 9, “Extensible Authentication Protocols.”](#)

Prime Access Registrar supports Diameter EAP application that carries EAP packets between a Network Access Server (NAS) working as an EAP Authenticator and a back-end authentication server. The Diameter EAP application is based on the Diameter Network Access Server Application [NASREQ] and is intended for environments similar to NASREQ.

In the Diameter EAP application, authentication occurs between the EAP client and its home Diameter server. This end-to-end authentication reduces the possibility for fraudulent authentication, such as replay and man-in-the-middle attacks. End-to-end authentication also provides a possibility for mutual authentication, which is not possible with PAP and CHAP in a roaming PPP environment.

This topic contains the following sections:

- [Advertising Application Support, page 8-2](#)
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## Advertising Application Support

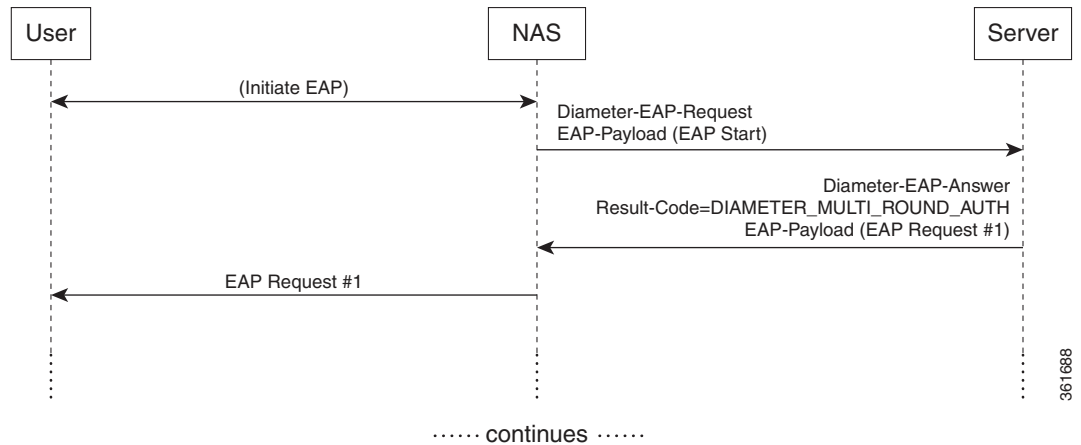
Diameter nodes conforming to this specification must advertise support by including the Diameter EAP Application ID value of 5 in the Auth-Application-Id AVP of the Capabilities-Exchange-Request and Capabilities-Exchange-Answer command [BASE].

If the NAS receives a response with the Result-Code set to `DIAMETER_APPLICATION_UNSUPPORTED` [BASE], it indicates that the Diameter server in the home realm does not support EAP. If possible, the access device may attempt to negotiate another authentication protocol, such as PAP or CHAP. An access device must be cautious when determining whether a less secure authentication protocol will be used, since this could result from a downgrade attack.

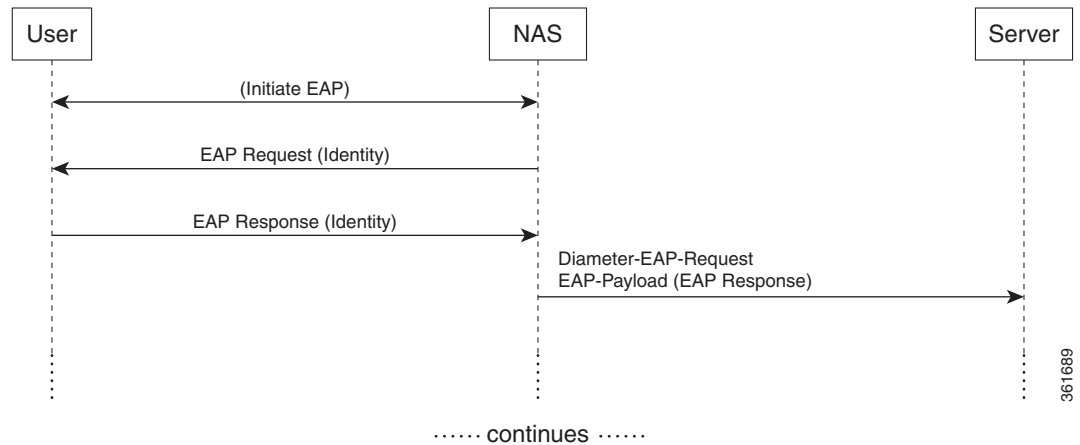
## Diameter EAP Conversation Flow

The EAP conversation between the authenticating peer and the access device begins with the initiation of EAP within a link layer, such as PPP [RFC1661] or IEEE 802.11i [IEEE-802.11i]. Once EAP has been initiated, the access device will typically send a Diameter-EAP- Request message with an empty EAP-Payload AVP to the Diameter server, signifying an EAP-Start. Prime Access Registrar routes the message to the Diameter EAP service through the rules and policy engine (and/or client, server and vendor scripting point) through which the packet is processed. The Diameter EAP Service forms a Diameter-EAP-Answer message containing an EAP-Payload AVP that includes an encapsulated EAP packet. The Result-Code AVP in the message will be set to `DIAMETER_MULTI_ROUND_AUTH`, signifying that a subsequent request is expected.

[Figure 8-1](#) describes the Diameter EAP request flow.

**Figure 8-1**      **Diameter EAP Request Flow**

The access device issues the EAP-Request/Identity message to the EAP client, and forwards the EAP-Response/Identity packet, encapsulated within the EAP-Payload AVP, as a Diameter-EAP-Request to Prime Access Registrar as shown in [Figure 8-2](#). This reduces the number of Diameter message round trips.

**Figure 8-2**      **Diameter EAP Response Flow**

The conversation continues until the Diameter server sends a Diameter-EAP-Answer with a Result-Code AVP indicating success or failure, and an optional EAP-Payload. The Result-Code AVP is used by the access device to determine whether service is to be provided to the EAP client or not. The access device must not rely on the contents of the optional EAP-Payload to determine whether service is to be provided or not.

## Diameter Server Startup Log

When Prime Access Registrar starts, Diameter server also starts.

The log file shows the following:

```

09/30/2013 6:38:47.419 name/radius/1 Info Server 0 Diameter Server Started
09/30/2013 6:38:47.437 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0 Starting diameter core
  
```

```

09/30/2013 6:38:47.447 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0          Product : Cisco Prime
Access Registrar
09/30/2013 6:38:47.447 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0          Version : 6
09/30/2013 6:38:47.447 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0          Vendor Id : 0
09/30/2013 6:38:47.447 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0          Auth Application : 0
09/30/2013 6:38:47.447 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0          Auth Application : 1
09/30/2013 6:38:47.447 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0          Acct Application : 3
09/30/2013 6:38:47.447 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0          Dictionary :
/cisco-ar/conf/diadictionary.xml
09/30/2013 6:38:47.447 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0          Identity :
10.81.79.43
09/30/2013 6:38:47.447 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0          Realm : abc.com
09/30/2013 6:38:47.447 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0          TCP Listen : 3868
09/30/2013 6:38:47.447 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0          SCTP Listen : 3868
09/30/2013 6:38:47.447 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0          Watch-Dog timeout : 500
09/30/2013 6:38:47.447 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0          Use IPv6 : 0
09/30/2013 6:38:47.447 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0          Re-transmission Int : 8
09/30/2013 6:38:47.447 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0          Max Re-trans Int : 3
09/30/2013 6:38:47.447 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0          Recv Buffer Size : 20480
09/30/2013 6:38:47.448 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0          Hostnames Used :
10.81.79.43
09/30/2013 6:38:47.448 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0          Dumping Peer Table
09/30/2013 6:38:47.448 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0          Expire Time 1
09/30/2013 6:38:47.448 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0          Peer : Host = 10.77.240.54,
Port = 3868, AdvertiseHostName = , AdvertisedRealm = , TLS = 0
09/30/2013 6:38:47.448 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0          Peer : Host = 10.77.240.53,
Port = 3868, AdvertiseHostName = , AdvertisedRealm= , TLS = 0
09/30/2013 6:38:47.448 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0          Dumping Route Table
09/30/2013 6:38:47.448 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0          Exp Time : 0
09/30/2013 6:38:47.448 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0          Route : Realm =
dia.com, Action = 2, Redirect-Usage = 0
09/30/2013 6:38:47.448 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0
Application Id=1, Vendor=0
09/30/2013 6:38:47.449 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0          Server
= 10.77.240.53, metric = 2
09/30/2013 6:38:47.449 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0          Auth Stateful Auth : stateful
09/30/2013 6:38:47.449 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0          Auth Session(T) : 30
09/30/2013 6:38:47.449 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0          Auth Lifetime(T) : 360
09/30/2013 6:38:47.449 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0          Auth Grace(T) : 30
09/30/2013 6:38:47.450 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0          Auth Abort(T) : 20
09/30/2013 6:38:47.450 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0          Acct Session(T) : 30
09/30/2013 6:38:47.450 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0          Acct Interim Int : 5
09/30/2013 6:38:47.450 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0          Acct Real-Time : 0
09/30/2013 6:38:47.450 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0          Debug Log : enabled
09/30/2013 6:38:47.450 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0          Trace Log : enabled
09/30/2013 6:38:47.450 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0          Info Log : enabled
09/30/2013 6:38:47.450 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0          Console Log : enabled
09/30/2013 6:38:47.450 name/radius/1 Info Protocol 0          Syslog Log : disabled

```

## Diameter Stack Level Messages

The following are the stack level messages that are exchanged between the diameter peers:

- [Capabilities Exchange Message](#)
- [Watchdog Message](#)

## Capabilities Exchange Message

When Diameter peers establish a transport connection to Prime Access Registrar, they will exchange the Capabilities Exchange messages. This message allows the discovery of a peer's identity and its capabilities (protocol version number, supported Diameter applications, security mechanisms, etc.)

The log file shows the following:

```
12/03/2013 7:16:07.117 name/radius/1 Info Server 0 Starting Server
12/03/2013 7:16:07.308 name/radius/1 Info Server 0 RollingEncryption using new key 27
12/03/2013 7:16:07.329 name/radius/1 Info Server 0 Sticky Sessions BGwrite thread
activated
12/03/2013 7:16:07.491 name/radius/1 Info Server 0 RollingEncryption using new key 27
12/03/2013 7:16:07.535 name/radius/1 Info Server 0 Sticky Session Count BG thread
activated.
12/03/2013 7:16:07.564 name/radius/1 Info Server 0 Starting Interface 127.0.0.1, port
1812 (RADIUS Access)
12/03/2013 7:16:07.564 name/radius/1 Info Server 0 Starting Interface 127.0.0.1, port
1813 (RADIUS Accounting)
12/03/2013 7:16:07.564 name/radius/1 Info Server 0 Starting Interface 127.0.0.1, port
49 (TACACS+)
12/03/2013 7:16:07.564 name/radius/1 Info Server 0 Starting Interface 127.0.0.1, port
3868 (Diameter-TCP)
12/03/2013 7:16:07.564 name/radius/1 Info Server 0 Starting Interface 127.0.0.1, port
3868 (Diameter-SCTP)
12/03/2013 7:16:07.564 name/radius/1 Info Server 0 Starting Interface 10.77.247.110,
port 1812 (RADIUS Access)
12/03/2013 7:16:07.565 name/radius/1 Info Server 0 Starting Interface 10.77.247.110,
port 1813 (RADIUS Accounting)
12/03/2013 7:16:07.565 name/radius/1 Info Server 0 Starting Interface 10.77.247.110,
port 49 (TACACS+)
12/03/2013 7:16:07.565 name/radius/1 Info Server 0 Starting Interface 10.77.247.110,
port 3868 (Diameter-TCP)
12/03/2013 7:16:07.565 name/radius/1 Info Server 0 Starting Interface 10.77.247.110,
port 3868 (Diameter-SCTP)
12/03/2013 7:16:07.565 name/radius/1 Info Server 0 Starting IPv6 Interface ::1, port
1812 (RADIUS Access)
12/03/2013 7:16:07.565 name/radius/1 Info Server 0 Starting IPv6 Interface ::1, port
1813 (RADIUS Accounting)
12/03/2013 7:16:07.565 name/radius/1 Info Server 0 Starting IPv6 Interface ::1, port
49 (TACACS+)
12/03/2013 7:16:07.565 name/radius/1 Error Configuration 0 Interface
fe80::20c:29ff:fe0b:6ed0: af_bind() to port 1812 failed with -2147418090
12/03/2013 7:16:07.565 name/radius/1 Error Server 0 Failed to start IPv6 Interface
fe80::20c:29ff:fe0b:6ed0, port 1812 (RADIUS Access)
12/03/2013 7:16:07.565 name/radius/1 Info Server 0 Starting Replication Manager
12/03/2013 7:16:07.565 name/radius/1 Info Server 0 Replication Disabled
12/03/2013 7:16:07.566 name/radius/1 Info Server 0 SNMP is disabled
12/03/2013 7:16:07.567 name/radius/1 Info Server 0 Memory limit for Radius process is
activated
12/03/2013 7:16:07.567 name/radius/1 Info Server 0 Server Started Successfully (pid:
5889)
12/03/2013 7:16:50.235 name/radius/1 Info System 0 Trace level set to 5
12/03/2013 7:16:58.572 name/radius/1 Info Server 0 Received CER from 10.77.240.54
12/03/2013 7:16:58.572 name/radius/1 Info Server 0 CER is succeeded and CEA is sent
to 10.77.240.54
```

## Watchdog Message

The Device-Watchdog-Request and Device-Watchdog-Answer messages are used to proactively detect transport failures. Device Watchdog message time interval is configurable in Prime Access Registrar.

The log file shows the following:

```
10/07/2013 10:44:15.143: Log: Watchdog msg from [thomas.cisco.com.cisco1.com],
state=1254936955, time=1254937455.
```

## Terminating Diameter User Session

In Prime Access Registrar, Diameter Session management is independent of Diameter accounting. Session termination is conveyed by a specific Session-Termination message rather than an Accounting Stop message.

The log file shows the following:

```
10/07/2013 10:37:39.299: Log: *** Session termination request received ***
10/07/2013 10:37:39.299: Log: Session id=thomas.cisco.com.cisco1.com;(;H;
10/07/2013 10:37:39.299: Log: From Host: thomas.cisco.com
10/07/2013 10:37:39.299: Log: From Realm: cisco1.com
10/07/2013 10:37:39.299: Log: From User: invaliduser
10/07/2013 10:37:39.299: Log: Termination Cause: 5003
10/07/2013 10:37:39.299: Log: Auth Application Id: 1
10/07/2013 10:37:39.300: Log: Session disconnect for Session-Id:
thomas.cisco.com.cisco1.com;1254936955;124122
```

**Note**

In Prime Access Registrar, session management does not support Diameter messages. Diameter base stack (RFC 6733) will maintain the session.

## Configuring Authentication and Authorization for Diameter

This section describes how to configure Prime Access Registrar to perform authentication and authorization and how to configure a local service and userlist.

See [Table 4-7](#) for more information on Diameter client properties.

This section contains the following topics:

- [Configuring Local Authentication and Authorization](#)
- [Configuring External Authentication Service](#)

## Configuring Local Authentication and Authorization

In Diameter, an AA-Request packet is a request for authentication and authorization. Authentication checks username and password credentials, while authorization typically involves returning the correct information to allow the service a user is authorized to have. Prime Access Registrar performs AA and returns the appropriate Diameter attributes in an AA-Answer packet.

For adding a Diameter peer in Prime Access Registrar, configure a new entry in the clients (including Policy and Charging Rules Functions (PCRF), Home Subscriber Servers (HSS), Mobility Management Entities (MME), Online Charging Systems (OCS), and others) and remote server object.

The following shows an example configuration for adding a Diameter peer (NAS/Client) in Prime Access Registrar.

```
[ //localhost/Radius/Clients/51dia ]
Name = 51dia
Description =
Protocol = diameter
HostName = 10.81.79.241
PeerPort = 3868
Vendor =
IncomingScript~ =
OutgoingScript~ =
AdvertisedHostName =
AdvertisedRealm =
WatchDogTimeout = 500000
SCTP-Enabled = FALSE
SCTPAdvertisedHostName/

[/localhost/Radius/Services/diaservice]
Name = diaservice
Description =
Type = diameter
IncomingScript~ =
OutgoingScript~ =
EnableSticky = FALSE
MultiplePeersPolicy = Failover
PeerTimeOutPolicy = FailOver
DiaRemoteServers/
Entries 1 to 1 from 1 total entries
Current filter:

65/
Name = 65
Metric = 2
Weight = 0
IsActive = TRUE
```


**Note**

You should restart the Prime Access Registrar server if you change any Diameter specific configuration.

See [Table 4-7](#) and [Table 4-21](#) for more details.

## Configuring a Local Service and UserList

See “[Configuring a Local Service and UserList](#)” section on [page 7-1](#) for more information on how to configure a local service and user list.

The following messages are logged in the trace file at the time of authenticating a valid user:

```
12/03/2013 7:32:42.395: P825: Packet received from 10.77.240.54
12/03/2013 7:32:42.395: P825: Application id: 1, Cmd code: 265, Flag: 0x80
12/03/2013 7:32:42.395: P825: Using Client: NAS
12/03/2013 7:32:42.395: P825: Trace of Diameter Packet
12/03/2013 7:32:42.395: P825: Destination-Realm = cisco.com
12/03/2013 7:32:42.395: P825: User-Name = bob
12/03/2013 7:32:42.395: P825: User-Password = <encrypted>
12/03/2013 7:32:42.395: P825: Auth-Request-Type = 3
12/03/2013 7:32:42.395: P825: Origin-Host = 10.77.240.54
```

```

12/03/2013 7:32:42.395: P825: Session-Id = .;2096298391;7
12/03/2013 7:32:42.395: P825: Auth-Application-Id = 1
12/03/2013 7:32:42.395: P825: Origin-Realm = xyz.com
12/03/2013 7:32:42.395: P825: Tracing the packet after running the rules and policies
12/03/2013 7:32:42.395: P825: Using Client: NAS
12/03/2013 7:32:42.395: P825: FastRule Engine called for packet
12/03/2013 7:32:42.395: P825: Fastrule return = 0
12/03/2013 7:32:42.395: P825: Authenticating and Authorizing with Service local-users
12/03/2013 7:32:42.395: P825: Getting User bob's UserRecord from UserList Default
12/03/2013 7:32:42.396: P825: user list user bob's password matches
12/03/2013 7:32:42.396: P825: Processing UserGroup PPP-users's check items
12/03/2013 7:32:42.396: P825: User bob is part of UserGroup PPP-users
12/03/2013 7:32:42.396: P825: Merging UserGroup PPP-users's BaseProfiles into
response dictionary
12/03/2013 7:32:42.396: P825: Merging BaseProfile default-PPP-users into response
dictionary
12/03/2013 7:32:42.396: P825: Merging attributes into the Response Dictionary:
12/03/2013 7:32:42.396: P825: Merging attributes into the InnerRadius Dictionary:
12/03/2013 7:32:42.396: P825: Adding attribute Service-Type, value = Framed
12/03/2013 7:32:42.396: P825: Adding attribute Framed-Protocol, value = PPP
12/03/2013 7:32:42.396: P825: Adding attribute Framed-Routing, value = None
12/03/2013 7:32:42.396: P825: Adding attribute Framed-MTU, value = 1500
12/03/2013 7:32:42.396: P825: Adding attribute Framed-Compression, value = VJ
TCP/IP header compression
12/03/2013 7:32:42.396: P825: Adding attribute Ascend-Idle-Limit, value = 1800
12/03/2013 7:32:42.396: P825: Merging UserGroup PPP-users's Attributes into response
Dictionary
12/03/2013 7:32:42.396: P825: Merging attributes into the Response Dictionary:
12/03/2013 7:32:42.396: P825: Merging attributes into the InnerRadius Dictionary:
12/03/2013 7:32:42.396: P825: Trace of Diameter Packet
12/03/2013 7:32:42.396: P825: User-Name = bob
12/03/2013 7:32:42.396: P825: Result-Code = 2001
12/03/2013 7:32:42.396: P825: Auth-Request-Type = 3
12/03/2013 7:32:42.396: P825: Origin-Host = 10.77.247.110
12/03/2013 7:32:42.396: P825: Session-Id = .;2096298391;7
12/03/2013 7:32:42.396: P825: Auth-Application-Id = 1
12/03/2013 7:32:42.396: P825: Origin-Realm = abc.com
12/03/2013 7:32:42.396: P825: Sending response to 10.77.240.54

```

The following messages are logged in the trace file at the time of authenticating an invalid user:

```

12/03/2013 7:17:00.625: P76: Packet received from 10.77.240.54
12/03/2013 7:17:00.625: P76: Application id: 1, Cmd code: 265, Flag: 0x80
12/03/2013 7:17:00.625: P76: Using Client: NAS
12/03/2013 7:17:00.625: P76: Trace of Diameter Packet
12/03/2013 7:17:00.625: P76: Destination-Realm = cisco.com
12/03/2013 7:17:00.625: P76: User-Name = user.1
12/03/2013 7:17:00.626: P76: User-Password = <encrypted>
12/03/2013 7:17:00.626: P76: Auth-Request-Type = 3
12/03/2013 7:17:00.626: P76: Origin-Host = 10.77.240.54
12/03/2013 7:17:00.626: P76: Session-Id = .;2096298391;2
12/03/2013 7:17:00.626: P76: Auth-Application-Id = 1
12/03/2013 7:17:00.626: P76: Origin-Realm = xyz.com
12/03/2013 7:17:00.626: P76: Tracing the packet after running the rules and policies
12/03/2013 7:17:00.626: P76: Using Client: NAS
12/03/2013 7:17:00.626: P76: FastRule Engine called for packet
12/03/2013 7:17:00.626: P76: Fastrule return = 0
12/03/2013 7:17:00.626: P76: Authenticating and Authorizing with Service local-users
12/03/2013 7:17:00.626: P76: Getting User user.1's UserRecord from UserList Default
12/03/2013 7:17:00.626: P76: Failed to get User user.1's UserRecord from UserList
Default
12/03/2013 7:17:00.626: P76: Trace of Diameter Packet
12/03/2013 7:17:00.626: P76: User-Name = user.1
12/03/2013 7:17:00.626: P76: Result-Code = 4001

```



```
12/03/2013 7:17:00.626: P76: Auth-Request-Type = 3
12/03/2013 7:17:00.626: P76: Origin-Host = 10.77.247.110
12/03/2013 7:17:00.626: P76: Session-Id = .;2096298391;2
12/03/2013 7:17:00.626: P76: Auth-Application-Id = 1
12/03/2013 7:17:00.626: P76: Origin-Realm = abc.com
12/03/2013 7:17:00.626: P76: Sending response to 10.77.240.54
```

## Configuring External Authentication Service

See [Table 4-17](#) for more information on how to configure external authentication service.

## Configuring Diameter Accounting

This section describes Diameter Accounting in Prime Access Registrar as defined in Internet RFC 6733. This section explains the following:

- [Understanding Diameter Accounting](#)
- [Setting Up Local Accounting](#)
- [Diameter Accounting Log Examples](#)

## Understanding Diameter Accounting

Diameter Accounting is the process of collecting and storing the information contained in Accounting-Event, Accounting-Start, and Accounting-Interim and Accounting-Stop messages. Internet RFC 6733 describes the protocol for sending accounting information between a Network Access Server (NAS) and a DIAMETER server.

**Note**

Prime Access Registrar uses TCP port number 3868 as its default port for Diameter accounting messages. Accounting/Authentication port number is configurable in Prime Access Registrar.

## Setting Up Local Accounting

See [Chapter 6, “Setting Up Accounting”](#) for more information.

**Note**

Local accounting is done on a local file and cannot be used as ocs.

## Setting Up Oracle Accounting

See [Chapter 6, “Oracle Accounting”](#) for more information.

## Diameter Accounting Log Examples

This section provides examples of Diameter accounting information recorded in an accounting log file.

### Accounting Event Packet

```
Tue, 20 Oct 2013 15:27:18.340
  Session-Id = thomas.cisco.com.cisco1.com;1256052431;900083
  Origin-Host = thomas.cisco.com
  Origin-Realm = cisco1.com
  Destination-Realm = cisco.com
  Accounting-Record-Type = 1
  Accounting-Record-Number = 1
  Acct-Application-Id = 3
  Accounting-Sub-Session-Id = 1
  Acct-Interim-Interval = 5
  Accounting-Realtime-Required = 0
  Origin-State-Id = 1256052431
```

### Accounting Start Packet

```
Tue, 20 Oct 2013 15:49:57.086
  Session-Id = thomas.cisco.com.cisco1.com;1256053789;847161
  Origin-Host = thomas.cisco.com
  Origin-Realm = cisco1.com
  Destination-Realm = cisco.com
  Accounting-Record-Type = 2
  Accounting-Record-Number = 1
  Acct-Application-Id = 3
  Accounting-Sub-Session-Id = 1
  Acct-Interim-Interval = 5
  Accounting-Realtime-Required = 0
  Origin-State-Id = 1256053789
```

### Account Interim Packet

```
Tue, 20 Oct 2013 15:50:12.338
  Session-Id = thomas.cisco.com.cisco1.com;1256053789;847161
  Origin-Host = thomas.cisco.com
  Origin-Realm = cisco1.com
  Destination-Realm = cisco.com
  Accounting-Record-Type = 3
  Accounting-Record-Number = 4
  Acct-Application-Id = 3
  Accounting-Sub-Session-Id = 1
  Acct-Interim-Interval = 5
  Accounting-Realtime-Required = 1
  Origin-State-Id = 1256053789
```

### Accounting Stop Packet

```
Tue, 20 Oct 2013 15:50:18.116
  Session-Id = thomas.cisco.com.cisco1.com;1256053789;847161
  Origin-Host = thomas.cisco.com
  Origin-Realm = cisco1.com
  Destination-Realm = cisco.com
  Accounting-Record-Type = 4
  Accounting-Record-Number = 6
```

```

Acct-Application-Id = 3
Accounting-Sub-Session-Id = 1
Acct-Interim-Interval = 5
Accounting-Realtime-Required = 1
Origin-State-Id = 1256053789

```

## Trace of Successful Accounting

The following is a trace example of a successful accounting sequence:

```

10/02/2013 12:05:03.146: P161: Trace of Diameter-Accounting-Request packet
10/02/2013 12:05:03.146: P161:   Session-Id =
10.81.79.42.cisco5.com;1317577008;898336
10/02/2013 12:05:03.146: P161:   Accounting-Record-Number = 1
10/02/2013 12:05:03.146: P161:   Accounting-Record-Type = 2
10/02/2013 12:05:03.146: P161:   Destination-Realm = abc.com
10/02/2013 12:05:03.146: P161:   Origin-Host = 10.81.79.42
10/02/2013 12:05:03.146: P161:   Origin-Realm = cisco5.com
10/02/2013 12:05:03.146: P161:   Accounting-Realtime-Required = 0
10/02/2013 12:05:03.146: P161:   Accounting-Sub-Session-Id = 1
10/02/2013 12:05:03.146: P161:   Acct-Application-Id = 3
10/02/2013 12:05:03.146: P161:   Acct-Interim-Interval = 5
10/02/2013 12:05:03.146: P161:   Origin-State-Id = 1317577008
10/02/2013 12:05:03.146: P161: Tracing the packet after running the rules and policies
10/02/2013 12:05:03.146: P161: Trace of Diameter-Accounting-Request packet
10/02/2013 12:05:03.146: P161:   Session-Id =
10.81.79.42.cisco5.com;1317577008;898336
10/02/2013 12:05:03.146: P161:   Accounting-Record-Number = 1
10/02/2013 12:05:03.146: P161:   Accounting-Record-Type = 2
10/02/2013 12:05:03.146: P161:   Destination-Realm = abc.com
10/02/2013 12:05:03.147: P161:   Origin-Host = 10.81.79.42
10/02/2013 12:05:03.147: P161:   Origin-Realm = cisco5.com
10/02/2013 12:05:03.147: P161:   Accounting-Realtime-Required = 0
10/02/2013 12:05:03.147: P161:   Accounting-Sub-Session-Id = 1
10/02/2013 12:05:03.147: P161:   Acct-Application-Id = 3
10/02/2013 12:05:03.147: P161:   Acct-Interim-Interval = 5
10/02/2013 12:05:03.147: P161:   Origin-State-Id = 1317577008
10/02/2013 12:05:03.147: P161: Using Client: murdoch
10/02/2013 12:05:03.147: P161: Accounting with Service dia-local
10/02/2013 12:05:03.147: P161: Calling Service local-file for accounting
10/02/2013 12:05:03.123: P161: Trace of Diameter-Accounting-Response packet
10/02/2013 12:05:03.123: P161:   Session-Id =
10.81.79.42.cisco5.com;1317577008;898336
10/02/2013 12:05:03.123: P161:   Result-Code = 2001
10/02/2013 12:05:03.123: P161:   Origin-Host = 10.77.247.117
10/02/2013 12:05:03.123: P161:   Origin-Realm = abc.com
10/02/2013 12:05:03.123: P161:   Accounting-Record-Type = 2
10/02/2013 12:05:03.123: P161:   Accounting-Record-Number = 1
10/02/2013 12:05:03.123: P161:   Acct-Application-Id = 3
10/02/2013 12:05:03.123: P161:   Accounting-Sub-Session-Id = 1
10/02/2013 12:05:03.123: P161:   Error-Reporting-Host = 10.77.247.117
10/02/2013 12:05:03.123: P161:   Accounting-Realtime-Required = 1
10/02/2013 12:05:03.123: P161:   Acct-Interim-Interval = 5
10/02/2013 12:05:03.123: P161:   Origin-State-Id = 1317576779

```

# Configuring the Diameter Application in Prime Access Registrar

For proxying a diameter application message in Prime Access Registrar, ensure that you do the following:

- [Configuring the Transport Management Properties](#)
- [Registering Applications IDs](#)
- [Configuring the Diameter Peers](#)
- [Configure the Diameter Service](#)

## Configuring the Transport Management Properties

You need to log into the aregcmd using the CLI interface and configure the Transport Management properties in the **Radius/Advanced/Diameter/**.

```
/opt/CSC0ar/bin/./aregcmd -s
Cisco Prime Access Registrar Configuration Utility
Copyright (C) 1995-2013 by Cisco Systems, Inc. All rights reserved. Logging in to
localhost
[ //localhost ]
LicenseInfo = AR-DRN-2000TPS 5.1(2000TPS:expires on 1-Feb-2013) Radius/
Administrators/
Server 'Radius' is Running, its health is 10 out of 10

--> cd Radius/Advanced/Diameter/

[ //localhost/Radius/Advanced/Diameter ]
IsDiameterEnabled = TRUE
General/
Product = CPAR
Version = 6.1
AuthApplicationIdList = 1
AcctApplicationIdList =
TransportManagement/
Identity = localhost
Realm = abc.com
WatchdogTimeout = 500
ValidateIncomingMessages = FALSE
ValidateOutgoingMessages = false
MaximumNumberOfDiameterPackets = 8194
DiameterPacketSize = 1024
AdvertisedHostName/
SCTPOptions/
MaxInitRetry = 3
MaxInboundStream = 4
MaxOutboundStream = 5
EnableHeartbeat = FALSE
HeartbeatInterval = 500
```

You need to set the Identity and AdvertisedHostName properties to IP Address or hostname of the machine in which Prime Access Registrar is installed.

```
--> set Identity 10.77.240.69
Set Identity 10.77.240.69

--> cd AdvertisedHostName
set 1 10.77.240.69
Set 1 10.77.240.69
```

```

Set the Realm in which Cisco Prime Access Registrar server is present.
--> set Realm cisco.com
Set Realm cisco.com

Save the configuration

--> save

Validating //localhost...
Saving //localhost...

ls
  Identity = 10.77.240.69
  Realm = cisco.com
  TCPListenPort = 3868
  SCTPListenPort = 3868
  EnableIPv6 = FALSE
  WatchdogTimeout = 500
  ReconnectInterval = 500
  MaxReconnections = 3
  RequestRetransmissionInterval = 100
  MaxRequestRetransmissionCount = 3
  ReceiveBufferSize = 2048
  AdvertisedHostName/
  1. 10.77.240.69

```

The description for these properties is available at:

[http://www.cisco.com/en/US/docs/net\\_mgmt/access\\_registrar/5.1/user/guide/objects.html#wp1145662](http://www.cisco.com/en/US/docs/net_mgmt/access_registrar/5.1/user/guide/objects.html#wp1145662)



#### Note

Prime Access Registrar can only listen to one port for diameter connections. In the above configuration, the port number is 3868. All of the diameter clients must use this port number to communicate with the Prime Access Registrar.

## Registering Applications IDs

You need to register the applications IDs for which Prime Access Registrar needs to route the Diameter Messages.

### Registering the Gy application to a diameter stack

To register the Gy application to a diameter stack,

**Step 1** Move to the `//localhost/Radius/Advanced/Diameter/General` directory.

```

[ //localhost/Radius/Advanced/Diameter ]
IsDiameterEnabled = TRUE
General/
TransportManagement/
SessionManagement/
Applications/
Commands/
Diameter Dictionary/

--> cd General/

[ //localhost/Radius/Advanced/Diameter/General ]

```

```

Product = Cisco Prime Access Registrar
Version = 6.1
AuthApplicationIdList = 1
AcctApplicationIdList =

```

For description of these properties, see [Diameter Service Properties](#).

- Step 2** Set the AuthApplicationIdList to list of colon separated values of Application Ids.

```

--> set AuthApplicationIdList "4"

Set AuthApplicationIdList 4

```

---

## Configuring the Diameter Peers

You need to configure the Diameter Peers such as clients and servers in the **/radius/clients** and **/radius/remoteservers** directories. The following is an example for configuring a Diameter client:

```

[ //localhost/Radius/Clients/51dia ]
Name = 51dia
Description =
Protocol = diameter
HostName = 10.81.79.241
PeerPort = 3868
Vendor =
IncomingScript~ =
OutgoingScript~ =
AdvertisedHostName =
AdvertisedRealm =
WatchDogTimeout = 500000
SCTP-Enabled = FALSE
SCTPAdvertisedHostName/
Local/
Remote/

```

The following is an example for configuring a Diameter remote server:

```

[ //localhost/Radius/RemoteServers/lap ]
Name = lap
Description =
Protocol = diameter
HostName = 10.77.144.34
Port = 3868
DestinationRealm = cisco.com
ReactivateTimerInterval = 300000
Vendor =
IncomingScript~ =
OutgoingScript~ =
MaxTries = 3
InitialTimeout = 500000
LimitOutstandingRequests = FALSE
MaxOutstandingRequests = 0
DWatchDogTimeout = 500000
SCTP-Enabled = FALSE
AdvertiseHostName =
AdvertiseRealm =
SCTPAdvertisedHostName/
Local/
Remote/

```

For description of these properties, see [Diameter Service Properties](#).

**Note**

In order to resolve the hostnames and get the IP addresses, the Prime Access Registrar should either be configured with a DNS server IP, or the client's hostnames and IP addresses should be included in the /etc/hosts file.

```
# Do not remove the following line, or various programs
# that require network functionality will fail.
127.0.0.1 Prime Access Registrar localhost.localdomain localhost
172.16.29.7 GGSN-Gy
::1 localhost6.localdomain6 localhost6
```

## Configure the Diameter Service

To configure the Diameter Service to route the Diameter Messages based on the Realm,

**Step 1** Add a Service of type diameter in /Radius/Services/.

```
--> cd /Radius/Services/
--> add dia-proxy

Added dia-proxy

--> cd dia-proxy

[ //localhost/Radius/Services/dia-proxy ]
  Name = dia-proxy
  Description =
  Type =

--> set Type diameter

Set Type diameter
```

**Step 2** Set role as Proxy and realm to which Prime Access Registrar needs to route the diameter messages.

```
--> ls

[ //localhost/Radius/Services/dia-proxy ]
  Name = dia-proxy
  Description =
  Type = diameter
  Realm = abc.com
  Role = Local
  IncomingScript~ =
  OutgoingScript~ =
  AuthenticationService =
  AccountingService =
  DiaRemoteServers/

Set the Role as proxy
--> set Role Proxy

Set Role Proxy

--> set Realm mcprealm.com
```

```
Set Realm mcprealm.com
```

### Step 3 Add a Gy application.

```
--> ls

[ //localhost/Radius/Services/dia-proxy ]
  Name = dia-proxy
  Description =
  Type = diameter
  Realm = mcprealm.com
  Role = Proxy
  IncomingScript~ =
  OutgoingScript~ =
  Applications/

--> cd Applications/

[ //localhost/Radius/Services/dia-proxy/Applications ]
  Entries 0 to 0 from 0 total entries
  Current filter: <all>

--> add Gy

Added Gy

--> cd Gy/

[ //localhost/Radius/Services/dia-proxy/Applications/Gy ]
  Name = Gy
  Description =
  ApplicationID =
  DeMultiplexCCTerminateRequest = FALSE
  EnableSticky = FALSE
  MultiplePeersPolicy = Failover
  DiaRemoteServers/
```

### Step 4 Set the application ID as 4 for Gy application and configure the sticky properties.

```
--> set ApplicationID 4

Set ApplicationID 4

--> set EnableSticky TRUE

Set EnableSticky TRUE

--> ls

[ //localhost/Radius/Services/dia-proxy/Applications/Gy ]
  Name = Gy
  Description =
  ApplicationID = 4
  DeMultiplexCCTerminateRequest = FALSE
  EnableSticky = TRUE
  StickySessionKey =
  StickyCreationCmdList =
  StickyDeletionCmdList =
  MultiplePeersPolicy = Failover
  DiaRemoteServers/

--> set StickySessionKey Session-Id#1

Set StickySessionKey Session-Id#1
```



```
--> set StickyCreationCmdList 272

Set StickyCreationCmdList 272

--> set StickyDeletionCmdList 272::CC-Request-Type=3

Set StickyDeletionCmdList 272::CC-Request-Type=3

--> set MultiplePeersPolicy RoundRobin

Set MultiplePeersPolicy RoundRobin

--> ls

[ //localhost/Radius/Services/dia-proxy/Applications/Gy ]
  Name = Gy
  Description =
  ApplicationID = 4
  DeMultiplexCCTerminateRequest = FALSE
  EnableSticky = TRUE
  StickySessionKey = Session-Id#1
  StickyCreationCmdList = 272
  StickyDeletionCmdList = 272::CC-Request-Type=3
  MultiplePeersPolicy = RoundRobin
  DiaRemoteServers/
```

**Step 5** Add the OCS peers to which Prime Access Registrar needs to load balance the diameter Gy messages matching the Destination-Realm mcprealm.com.

```
--> cd Peers/

[ //localhost/Radius/Services/dia-proxy/Applications/Gy/Peers ]
  Entries 0 to 0 from 0 total entries
  Current filter: <all>

--> add ocs1

Added ocs1

--> cd ocs1/

[ //localhost/Radius/Services/dia-proxy/Applications/Gy/Peers/ocs1 ]
  Name = ocs1
  HostName =
  Metric = 2
  Weight = 0
  IMSIRanges =

--> set HostName 192.168.30.88

Set HostName 192.168.30.88

--> cd ..

[ //localhost/Radius/Services/dia-proxy/Applications/Gy/Peers ]
  Entries 1 to 1 from 1 total entries
  Current filter: <all>

  ocs1/

--> add ocs2
```

```

Added ocs2

--> cd ocs2/

[ //localhost/Radius/Services/dia-proxy/Applications/Gy/Peers/ocs2 ]
  Name = ocs2
  HostName =
  Metric = 2
  Weight = 0
  IMSIRanges =

--> set HostName 192.168.30.86

Set HostName 192.168.30.86

```

**Step 6** Save the configuration details.

```

--> save
Validating //localhost...
Saving //localhost...

```

**Step 7** Set DefaultAuthenticationService and DefaultAuthorizationService in /Radius directory.

```

--> set DefaultAuthenticationService dia-proxy

Set DefaultAuthenticationService dia-proxy

--> set DefaultAuthorizationService dia-proxy

Set DefaultAuthorizationService dia-proxy

--> save
Validating //localhost...
Saving //localhost...

--> exit

--> exit
Logging out of localhost...

```

**Step 8** Restart thePrime Access Registrar server.

```

/cisco-ar/bin/arserver restart

```

---

The following illustrates the diameter proxy service configuration for Gy application which load balances the diameter Gy (App ID =4) messages to the remote peers ocs1(192.168.30.88) and ocs2(192.168.30.86).

```

[ //localhost/Radius/Services/dia-proxy ]
  Name = dia-proxy
  Description =
  Type = diameter
  Realm = mcprealm.com
  Role = proxy
  IncomingScript~ =
  OutgoingScript~ =
  Applications/
    Entries 1 to 1 from 1 total entries
    Current filter: <all>

  Gy/
    Name = Gy
    Description =

```

```

ApplicationID = 4
DeMultiplexCCTerminateRequest = FALSE
EnableSticky = TRUE
StickySessionKey = Session-Id#1
StickyCreationCmdList = 272
StickyDeletionCmdList = 272::CC-Request-Type=3
MultiplePeersPolicy = RoundRobin
DiaRemoteServers/
    Entries 1 to 2 from 2 total entries
    Current filter: <all>

    ocs1/
        Name = ocs
        HostName = 192.168.30.88
        Metric = 2
        Weight = 0
        IMSIRanges =
    ocs2/
        Name = ocs2
        HostName = 192.168.30.86
        Metric = 3
        Weight = 0
        IMSIRanges =

```

For description of these properties, see [Diameter Service Properties](#).

## Writing Diameter Application in Prime Access Registrar

Prime Access Registrar supports extensibility by allowing users to create new:

- authentication/authorization applications
- accounting applications
- command codes
- AVP's

This section contains the following topics:

- [Configuring rex script/service for Diameter](#)
- [Scripting in Diameter](#)
- [Diameter Environment Variables](#)
- [Sample rex script/service](#)
- [Traces/Logs](#)

## Configuring rex script/service for Diameter

To configure script/service for diameter using aregcmd:

- Step 1** Add application specific AVPs in `//localhost/Radius/Advanced/Diameter/Diameter Dictionary` other than Base stack AVPs.

```

[ //localhost/Radius/Advanced/Diameter/Diameter Dictionary/CiscoAVPS ]
    Name = CiscoAVPS
    Description =
    IsVendorSpecific = FALSE

```

```
ApplicationID =
AVPs/
```

**Step 2** Write a rex script (C/C++) and add it in the scripting point or rex service.

```
[ //localhost/Radius/Services/diaservice ]
Name = diaservice
Description =
Type = rex
IncomingScript~ =
OutgoingScript~ =
OutagePolicy~ = RejectAll
OutageScript~ =
Filename = librexscript.so
EntryPoint = DiaService
InitEntryPoint =
InitEntryPointArgs =
```

Refer to [Sample rex script/service](#), page 8-21.

## Scripting in Diameter

Prime Access Registrar supports 'rex' scripts for Diameter protocol. The script can be configured only as the server incoming script. The commands available for scripting are restricted to 'get' and 'put' on the dictionaries. While setting a value to an attribute, the following convention needs to be followed "<type number>,<value>". For example, if a 'Class' attribute needs to be added to the response dictionary with value as "classvalue", then set it as follows in the script:

**pResponse->put( pResponse, "Class", "1,classvalue", REX\_REPLACE );**

The following is the list of supported scripting types with the respective type numbers:

```
AVP_STRING_TYPE = 1
AVP_ADDRESS_TYPE = 2
AVP_INTEGER32_TYPE = 3
AVP_UINT32_TYPE = 4
AVP_UTF8_STRING_TYPE = 6
AVP_ENUM_TYPE = 7
AVP_TIME_TYPE = 11
```

Setting response attributes via a script is the only mechanism to add authorization attributes for Diameter requests.

## Diameter Environment Variables

This section lists the environment variables that you can use in scripts for Diameter messages.

[Table 8-1](#) lists the Diameter Environment variables and descriptions.

**Table 8-1**      **Diameter Environment Variables**

Variable	Description
Request-Type	String value.
Response-Type	Get/Set the request and response type for diameter packet.  <b>Sample Values</b> Diameter-Access-Request Diameter-Access-Accept Diameter-Access-Reject Diameter-Accounting-Request Diameter-Accounting-Response Diameter-Proxy-Request Diameter-Proxy-Answer
Diameter-Application-Id	String value. Get the application id for the packet. For setting in response, need to use Auth-Application-id or Acct-Application-id AVPs. In Accounting type packet, use Acct-Application-Id AVP to get the application id. <b>Sample Values</b> 1 ( NASREQ ) 3 ( Base Accounting )
Diameter-Command-Code	String value. Get command code for the diameter packet. It will work only for the access-request packet, not for the accounting request. <b>Sample Values</b> 265 ( AA-Request )

## Sample rex script/service

```
int REXAPI DiaService( int iScriptingPoint,
                      rex_AttributeDictionary_t* pRequest,
                      rex_AttributeDictionary_t* pResponse,
                      rex_EnvironmentDictionary_t* pEnviron )
{
    if( iScriptingPoint == REX_START_SERVICE || iScriptingPoint == REX_STOP_SERVICE )
        return REX_OK;
    int iRetVal = REX_ERROR;
    const char* pszRequestType = pEnviron->get( pEnviron, "Request-Type" );
    const char* pszAppId = pEnviron->get( pEnviron, "Diameter-Application-Id" );
    const char* pszCmdCode = pEnviron->get( pEnviron, "Diameter-Command-Code" );
    if( !( pszRequestType && pszAppId && pszCmdCode ) )
        return iRetVal;
    // check the request type, Application id and command code
    /*
    Request / Response types
    Diameter-Access-Request
    Diameter-Access-Accept
    */
}
```

```

Diameter-Access-Reject
Diameter-Accounting-Request
Diameter-Accounting-Response
*/
    if( (strcmp( pszRequestType, "Diameter-Access-Request") == 0) && (strcmp(
pszAppId, "1") == 0) && (strcmp( pszCmdCode, "265\
" ) == 0 ) )
    {
// our application
// example how to get DiaAttrib from the packet.
    const char* pszSessionId = pRequest ->get( pRequest, "Session-Id", 0, 0 );
// print in trace
    if( pszSessionId )
        pEnviron->trace( pEnviron, 5, "Diameter Session Id: %s", pszSessionId );
// example: how to add dia attrib in response packet
    pResponse->put( pResponse, "Calling-Station-Id", "1,00-01-02-03-05", REX_APPEND );
    pEnviron->put( pEnviron, "Response-Type", "Diameter-Access-Accept");
    iRetVal = REX_OK;
    }
    return iRetVal;
}

```

## Traces/Logs

```

09/30/2013 11:13:46.830: P88: Diameter Packet received from 10.81.79.59
09/30/2013 11:13:46.830: P88: Trace of Diameter-Access-Request packet
09/30/2013 11:13:46.830: P88:     Session-Id = .;1096298391;15
09/30/2013 11:13:46.830: P88:     Auth-Application-Id = 1
09/30/2013 11:13:46.830: P88:     Origin-Host = 10.81.79.59
09/30/2013 11:13:46.830: P88:     Origin-Realm = xyz.com
09/30/2013 11:13:46.830: P88:     Destination-Realm = abc.com
09/30/2013 11:13:46.830: P88:     Auth-Request-Type = 1
09/30/2013 11:13:46.830: P88:     User-Name = bob
09/30/2013 11:13:46.830: P88: Tracing the packet after running the rules and policies
09/30/2013 11:13:46.830: P88: Trace of Diameter-Access-Request packet
09/30/2013 11:13:46.830: P88:     Session-Id = .;1096298391;15
09/30/2013 11:13:46.830: P88:     Auth-Application-Id = 1
09/30/2013 11:13:46.830: P88:     Origin-Host = 10.81.79.59
09/30/2013 11:13:46.830: P88:     Origin-Realm = xyz.com
09/30/2013 11:13:46.830: P88:     Destination-Realm = abc.com
09/30/2013 11:13:46.830: P88:     Auth-Request-Type = 1
09/30/2013 11:13:46.830: P88:     User-Name = bob
09/30/2013 11:13:46.830: P88: Using Client: molly
09/30/2013 11:13:46.830: P88: Authenticating and Authorizing with Service
dia-rex-service
09/30/2013 11:13:46.830: P88:     Rex: environ->get( "Request-Type" ) ->
"Diameter-Access-Request"
09/30/2013 11:13:46.830: P88:     Rex: environ->get( "Diameter-Application-Id" ) ->
"1"
09/30/2013 11:13:46.830: P88:     Rex: environ->get( "Diameter-Command-Code" ) ->
"265"
09/30/2013 11:13:46.830: P88:     Rex: request->get( "Session-Id", 0 ) ->
".;1096298391;15"
09/30/2013 11:13:46.830: P88: Diameter Session Id: .;1096298391;15
09/30/2013 11:13:46.830: P88:     Rex: response->put( "Calling-Station-Id",
"1,00-01-02-03-05", 0 ) -> TRUE
09/30/2013 11:13:46.831: P88:     Rex: environ->put( "Response-Type",
"Diameter-Access-Accept" ) -> TRUE
09/30/2013 11:13:46.831: P88: Trace of Diameter-Access-Accept
09/30/2013 11:13:46.831: P88:     Calling-Station-Id = 00-01-02-03-05
09/30/2013 11:13:46.831: P88:     Auth-Application-Id = 1
09/30/2013 11:13:46.831: P88:     User-Name = bob

```

```
09/30/2013 11:13:46.831: P88: Auth-Request-Type = 3
09/30/2013 11:13:46.831: P88: Result-Code = 2001
```

## Translation Framework for Diameter

Prime Access Registrar supports translation of an incoming RADIUS request to a Diameter request and vice versa.

The following services are created to set up the translation framework:

- Radius-Diameter—For translation of incoming RADIUS request to a Diameter request.
- Diameter-Radius—For translation of incoming Diameter message to an equivalent RADIUS message.

For RADIUS to Diameter translation, Prime Access Registrar provides scripting points `PreRequestTranslationScript` and `PostRequestTranslationScript`, which operate on the original packet and on the newly translated packet based on request and response mapping. This gives an option to modify the AVPs before and after the translation. RADIUS to Diameter translation comes with 3GPP reverse authorization, if the property is set as `True`. In that case, the request command mapping must not be defined because the new diameter request is created from the radius request by the 3GPP reverse authorization service. When the diameter response is received from the diameter proxy service, it translates the Diameter response to RADIUS response based on the response mapping configuration and sends radius response to the client.

Similarly, for Diameter to RADIUS translation (on the response), Prime Access Registrar provides scripting points `PreResponseTranslationScript` and `PostResponseTranslationScript`, which are called on the incoming Diameter message and the corresponding RADIUS response message respectively.

Both these translation services create and maintain appropriate states (with the necessary identifiers, packet pointers, etc) to correlate Request to Response. The states will be cleared if present beyond the 'Timeout' property value and all the retries have been exhausted. You can configure the number of retries under `Diameter-RemoteServers`.

For more information about the translation parameters, see [Simple Services, page 3-23](#).

### CLI for RADIUS-Diameter Translation

Following is the CLI for RADIUS to Diameter translation:

```
[ /Radius/Services/rad-dia ]
Name = rad-dia
Description =
Type = radius-diameter
DiameterApplicationId = 1
ProxyServiceName = dia-proxy
EnableCommandMappings = True
PreRequestTranslationScript~ =
PostRequestTranslationScript~ =
PreResponseTranslationScript~ =
PostResponseTranslationScript~ =
RequestMapping/
  CommandMappings/
    Radius-Access-Request = AA
  AVPMappings/
    NAS-Identifier = Origin-Host
    User-Name = User-Name
  AVPsToBeAdded/
    Origin-Realm = cisco.com
```

```

    EnvironmentMappings/
  ResponseMapping/
    ResultCodeMappings/
      Diameter-Success = Radius-Access-Accept
      Diameter-Unable-To-Deliver = Radius-Access-Reject
    AVPMappings/
    AVPsToBeAdded/
    EnvironmentMappings/

```

### CLI for Diameter-RADIUS Translation

Following is the CLI for Diameter to RADIUS translation:

```

[ /Radius/Services/dia-rad ]
  Name = dia-rad
  Description =
  Type = diameter-radius
  ProxyServiceName = rad-proxy
  PreRequestTranslationScript~ =
  PostRequestTranslationScript~ = dia-rad-addpassword
  PreResponseTranslationScript~ =
  PostResponseTranslationScript~ = diareadwritetest
  RequestMapping/
    CommandMappings/
      AA = Radius-Access-Request
    AVPMappings/
      Origin-Host = NAS-Identifier
      User-Name = User-Name
    AVPsToBeAdded/
      NAS-Port = 1
    EnvironmentMappings/
  ResponseMapping/
    ResultCodeMappings/
      Radius-Access-Accept = Diameter-Success
      Radius-Access-Reject = Diameter-Unable-To-Deliver
    AVPMappings/
    AVPsToBeAdded/
    EnvironmentMappings/

```

## Managing Diameter Sessions

Diameter provides two kinds of services namely authentication/authorization and accounting only (optional). Diameter sessions can be created when an authentication/authorization request comes from an access point or when an accounting start comes from an access point. When a Diameter client issues an authentication request, Prime Access Registrar sends the packet with a Session-Id AVP, which can be used to correlate a Diameter message with a user-session. When a Session Termination Request (STR) message is received from the Diameter client, Prime Access Registrar releases the sessions. Also Re-authentication requests must be mapped to the corresponding user session. In case of accounting packets, the session is created when the accounting start is received from the Diameter client. The session is deleted when the accounting stop message is received.

Prime Access Registrar creates a new session when it receives an authentication or accounting request packet from a Diameter client and when a user session is not already present. It allocates the resources for the particular session from the resource manager and stores the session in a session backing store. This session backing store is a file where session information is written. When a session termination



message or an accounting stop message comes from the Diameter client, the session data is deleted from the backing store. Apart from this, Prime Access Registrar maintains the session state for every session it creates. Session cache will be supported for grouped AVPs.

For more information on session manager and its support for Diameter client, see [SessionManagers](#), page 3-92.

## Support for SCTP including Multihoming

Prime Access Registrar release enhances the diameter support to the more reliable transport mechanism such as SCTP with multi-homing.

In a SCTP connection, each of the two endpoints during an SCTP association setup can specify multiple points of attachment. Having multiple interfaces allows the data to be automatically sent to alternate addresses when failures occur. Using this support, the Prime Access Registrar runs successfully even when a failure occurs in any of the multiple interfaces.

```
[ //localhost/Radius/advanced/diameter/transportManagement ]
  Identity = localhost
  Realm = abc.com
  TCPListenPort = 3868
  SCTPListenPort = 3868
  EnableIPV6 = FALSE
  WatchdogTimeout = 500
  ReconnectInterval = 500
  MaxReconnections = 3
  RequestRetransmissionInterval = 100
  MaxRequestRetransmissionCount = 3
  ReceiveBufferSize = 2048
  AdvertisedHostName/

--> cd AdvertisedHostName
--> add 1 10.77.240.135
--> add 2 10.77.240.136
--> add 3 10.77.240.137
--> ls
[ //localhost/Radius/advanced/diameter/transportManagement/AdvertisedHostName ]
1. 10.77.240.135
2. 10.77.240.136
3. 10.77.240.137
```

**Note**

The number of AVPs should be set greater than or equal to the number of AdvertisedHostName in order to exchange the capabilities between peers.

