

# *Simple Authentication for ALC and NORM*

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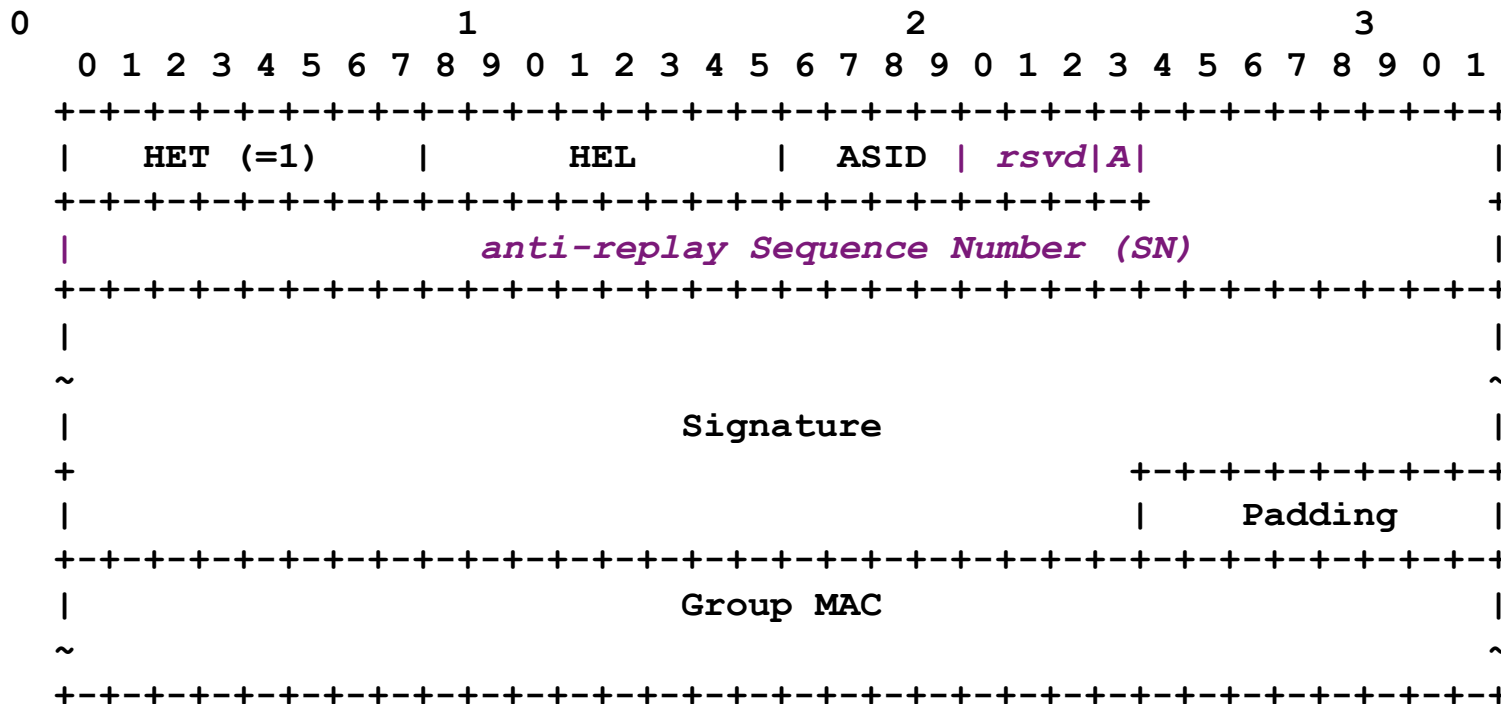
## ***I-D update, after David's comments***

- comment: “Can replay be used as a DoS attack, consuming resources?”
  - true with the combined signature/group MAC
    - replaying a valid packet is an easy way to bypass the “light” group MAC filtering ☹
    - added an anti-replay mechanism
    - anti-replay **MUST** be used
  - what about other authentication schemes?
    - added anti-replay as an *option*
    - using anti-replay is **RECOMMENDED**

# I-D update... (cont')

- anti-replay format

- Added a 3-bit “reserved” field
- Added a 1-bit “A” flag: indicates the presence of the SN field
- Added a 40-bits anti-replay sequence number (“SN”) field
  - provides sufficient space, even for high speed transmissions, for most situations



## *I-D update... (cont')*

- what are the consequences of not using anti-replay when optional?
  - NORM:
    - NORM "sequence number" feature to provide anti-replay is no longer considered as suitable, given the small field size (16 bits)
    - Using the anti-replay mechanism is now **RECOMMENDED**
  - ALC:
    - more robust in front of replay attacks, there's just a small risk when using EXT\_TIME header extensions
    - clarification added to the "Security Considerations" section