In-situ OAM (IOAM) in VXLAN-GPE

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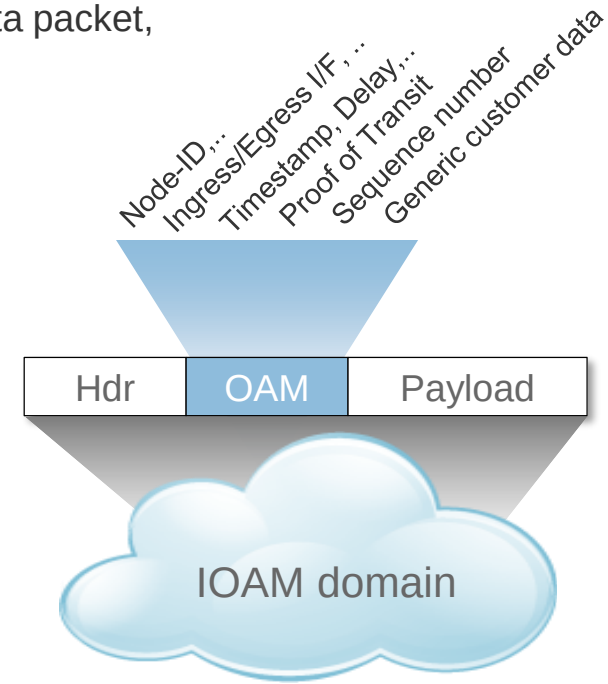
In-situ OAM in a nutshell

- Gather telemetry and OAM information along the path within the data packet, (hence “in-situ OAM”) as part of an existing/additional header
  - No extra probe-traffic (as with ping, trace, ..)
  - “Hybrid, Type-1 OAM” per RFC 7799

- Generic, Transport independent data-fields for IOAM
  - Scope: Per-hop, specific-hops only, end-to-end
  - Data fields include: Node IDs, interface IDs, timestamps, sequence numbers, ...

- Encapsulation
  - IOAM data fields can be embedded into a variety of transports, including: IPv6, SRv6, NSH, GRE, Geneve, VXLAN-GPE ...



IOAM over VXLAN-GPE

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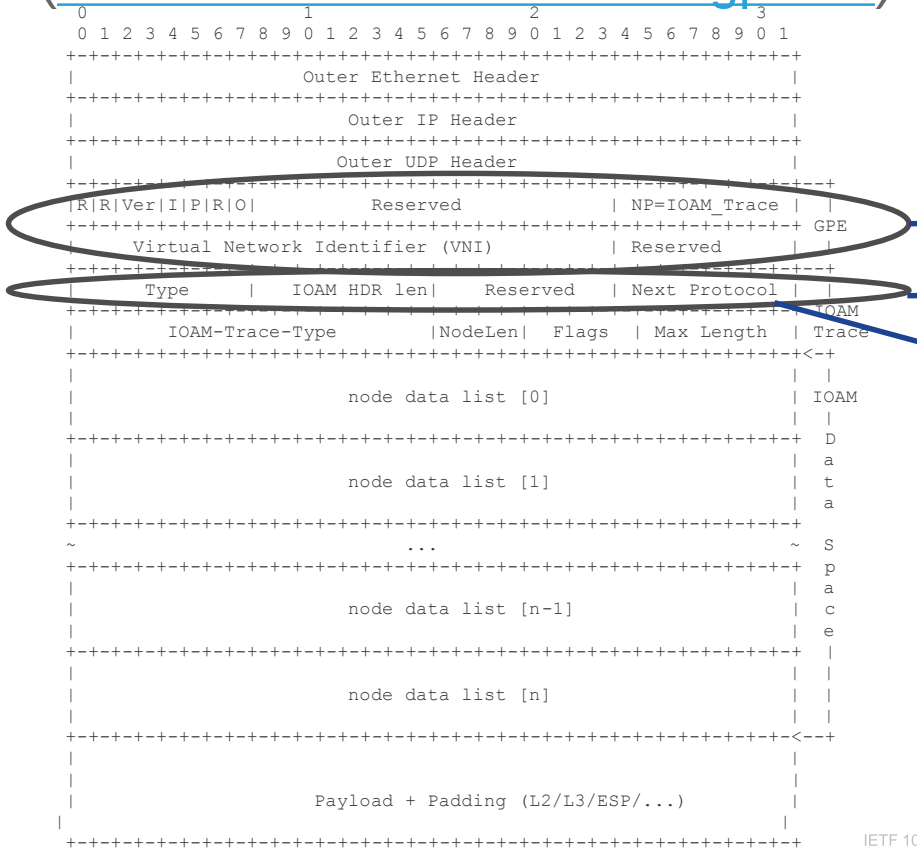


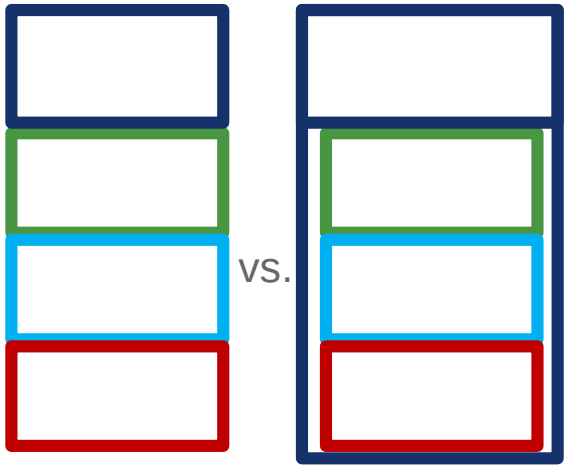
VXLAN-GPE header

IOAM shim header for VXLAN-GPE

Specifies the next protocol
Allows multiple data field

Open Questions

- Section 4: Discussion of the encapsulation approach
  - An encapsulation of IOAM data fields in VXLAN-GPE should be friendly to an implementation in both hardware as well as software forwarders and support a wide range of deployment cases, including large networks that desire to leverage multiple IOAM data fields at the same time.
- "To nest TLVs or not to"?, Single GPE protocol type for all IOAM data categories (trace, proof-of-transit, and edge-to-edge) or one GPE protocol type per IOAM data category?
  - "Next header" approach: Single GPE protocol type for all IOAM types: Results in serial list of IOAM data categories. Avoids iterative lookups. Finding the L4 header requires parsing each header of the list. Current approach in -00 version of the draft.
  - "TLV" approach: One GPE protocol type per IOAM category: Results in nested TLVs. Requires iterative lookups. Single length field for all options allows nodes not interested in the IOAM information to skip the information easily.



Status and next steps

- Data Fields for In-situ OAM
  - Adopted by IPPM
  - draft-ietf-ippm-ioam-data
- IOAM encapsulations into protocols
  - draft-brockners-nvo3-ioam-geneve-00
  - draft-brockners-ioam-vxlan-gpe-00 (this discussion)
  - draft-brockners-sfc-ioam-nsh-00
  - … more to come…
- IOAM in VXLAN-GPE in LISP WG
  - Feedback from LISP WG appreciated, especially on open questions
  - WG adoption?