

# User Plane Message Encoding

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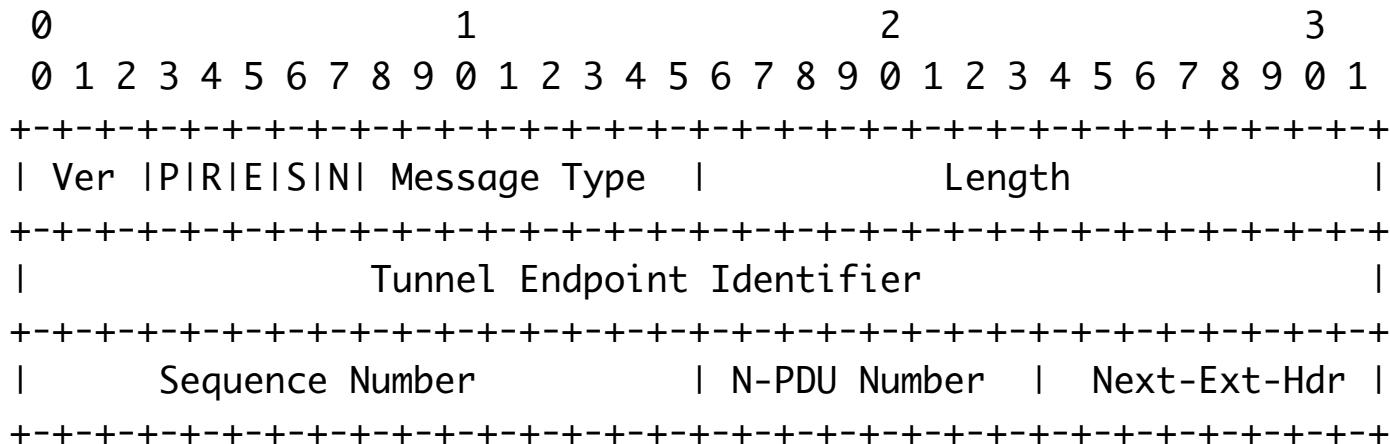
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# Motivation

- 3GPP User Plane needs to support the user plane messages associated with a GTP-U tunnel defined in [TS29281].
- In the case of SRv6 User Plane [I-D.ietf-dmm-srv6-mobile-uplane], those messages are also required when the user plane interworks with GTP-U.
- The Tag field of SRH is capable to indicate different properties within a SID. Also, SRH TLV is capable to provide meta-data to the endpoint node.
- The capability of SRH can be possible to map the user plane messages into it.
- There is no additional headers or extension headers to be chained in the packet for carrying the user plane messages.

# GTP-U message format

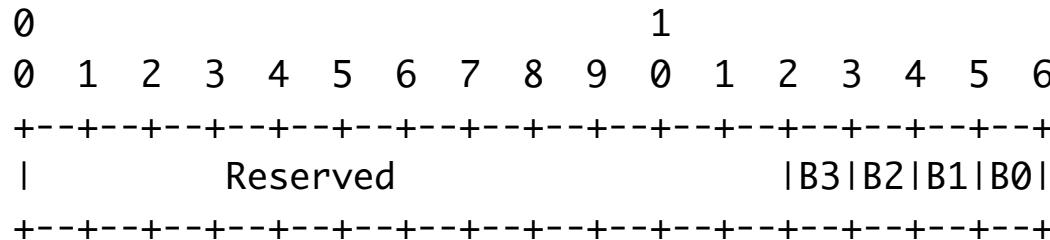


- Message Type for User Plane Message
  - Echo Request: 1
  - Echo Reply: 2
  - Error Indication: 26
  - End Marker: 254

# Segment Header

0	1	2	3
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0	1
+-----+-----+-----+-----+			
Next Header   Hdr Ext Len   Routing Type   Segments Left	+-----+-----+-----+-----+		
+-----+-----+-----+-----+			
Last Entry   Flags   <b>Tags Field</b>	+-----+-----+-----+-----+		
+-----+-----+-----+-----+			
Segment List[0] (128 bits IPv6 address)			
+-----+-----+-----+-----+			
... +-----+-----+-----+-----+			
+-----+-----+-----+-----+			
Segment List[n] (128 bits IPv6 address)			
+-----+-----+-----+-----+			
//	//		
// Optional Type Length Value objects (variable)	//		
//	//		
+-----+-----+-----+-----+			

# Encoding of Tags Field



Bit 0 [B0]: End Marker

Bit 1 [B1]: Error Indication

Bit 2 [B2]: Echo Request

Bit 3 [B3]: Echo Reply

# User Plane Information Element

0	1	2	3
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0	1
-----			
Type   Length   3GPP IE TLVs	-----		
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// 3GPP IE TLVs //	-----		
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5GS Container TLV			

- SRH TLV should be leveraged to carry user plane information element.
- Type must be assigned by IANA

# 3GPP IE TLV

0	1	2	3			
0	1	2	3			
4	5	6	7			
8	9	0	1			
+	+	+	+			
	Type		Length		Value	//
+	+	+	+	+	+	+

3GPP IE TLV

- 3GPP IE is encoded in this TLV.
- 3GPP IE TLV should be followed with 3GPP specification.

## PSP Case

- In order to carry User Plane message over SRv6 network, SRH must be sustained over entire SRv6 network because User Plane message type and required information elements are encoded into SRH.
- If the penultimate segment is popping out SRH, i.e., PSP, User Plane message can not be carried in entire SRv6 network.
- In order to avoid this problem...
  - PSP must NOT be used in SRv6 network or
  - Another SRH should be added to carry User Plane message along with the outer IPv6 or SRH if PSP is mandatory.

- Q&A