

BFD for Geneve

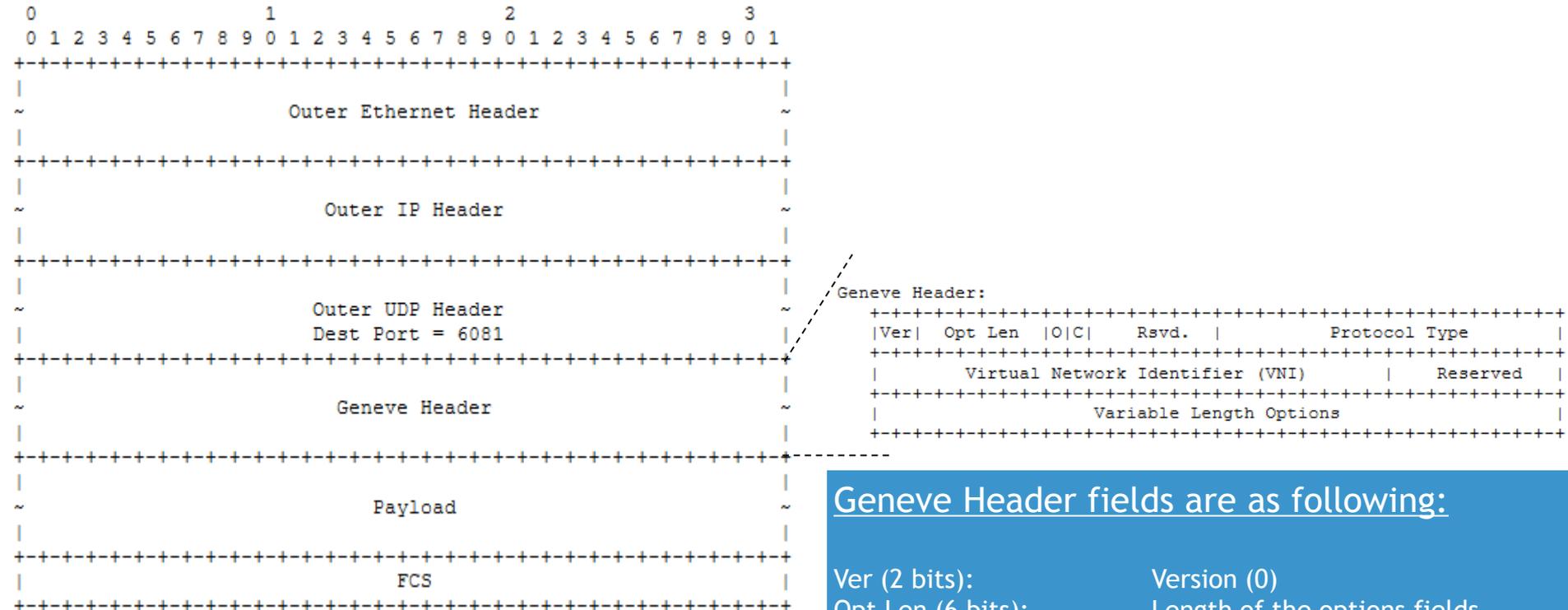
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Intention of this draft

- Specifies the use of BFD in Geneve overlay networks:
 - It's similar to draft-ietf-bfd-vxlan which is in IESG processing
 - The main difference between Geneve and VXLAN encapsulation is that Geneve supports multi-protocol payload and variable length options

Geneve Encapsulation



[Geneve]* is the only Standards Track Nvo3 WG draft of overlay encapsulation, which can be used to tunnel not only Ethernet frames as VxLAN, but also IP packets, MPLS packets, etc

Geneve Header fields are as following:

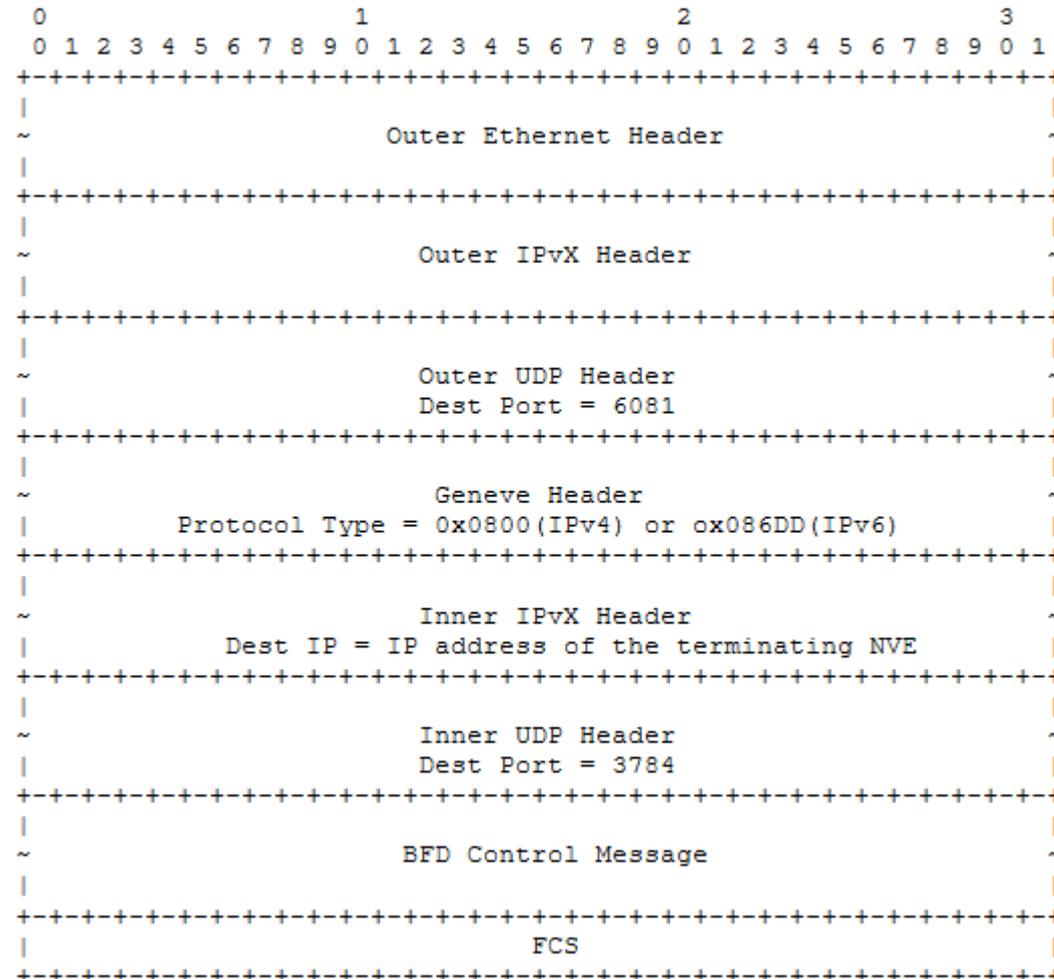
Ver (2 bits):	Version (0)
Opt Len (6 bits):	Length of the options fields
O (1 bit):	Indicates this packet contains a control message
C (1 bit):	Indicates critical options present
Protocol Type (16 bits):	Follows the EtherType
VNI (24 bit):	Virtual Network Identifier
Options (Variable Length):	Zero or more options in TLV format

* draft-ietf-nvo3-geneve is in WGLC

Scenario 1 – IP/UDP BFD encapsulation

- If Protocol Type of user traffic is equal to any of below values:

Protocol Type	Payload
0x6558	Ethernet
0x0800	IPv4
0x86DD	IPv6
0x8847	MPLS
0x8848	MPLS with the upstream-assigned label

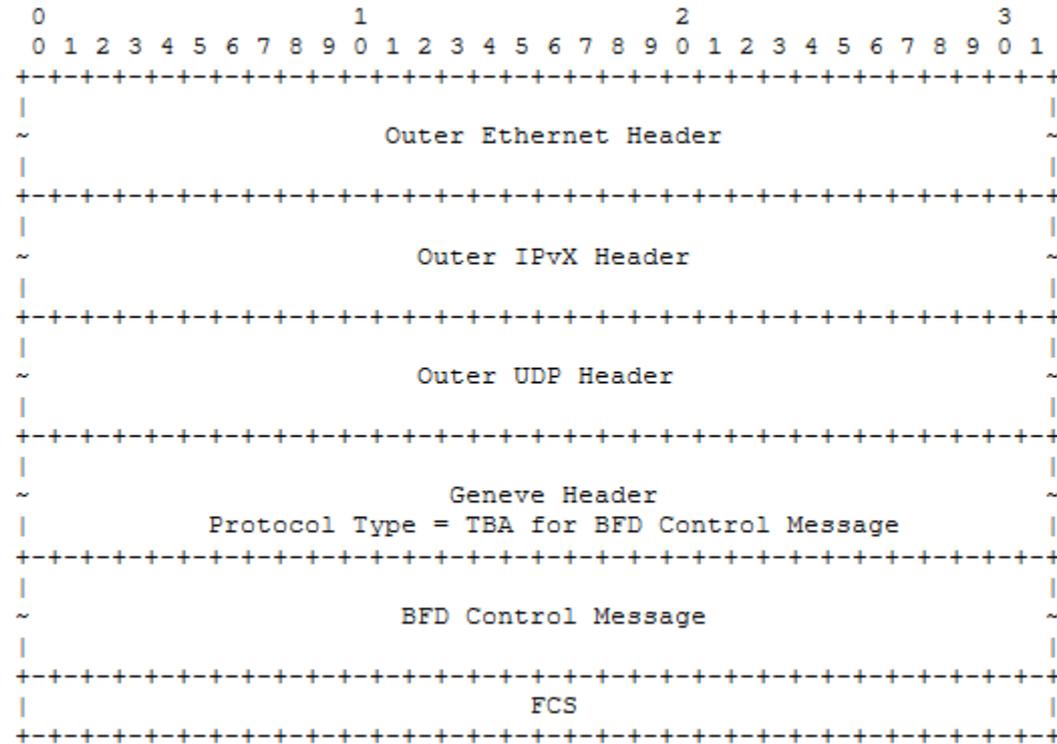


- In this scenario, IP/UDP encapsulation of BFD Control Message is used, simulating RFC 5881

Scenario 2 – Non-IP BFD encapsulation

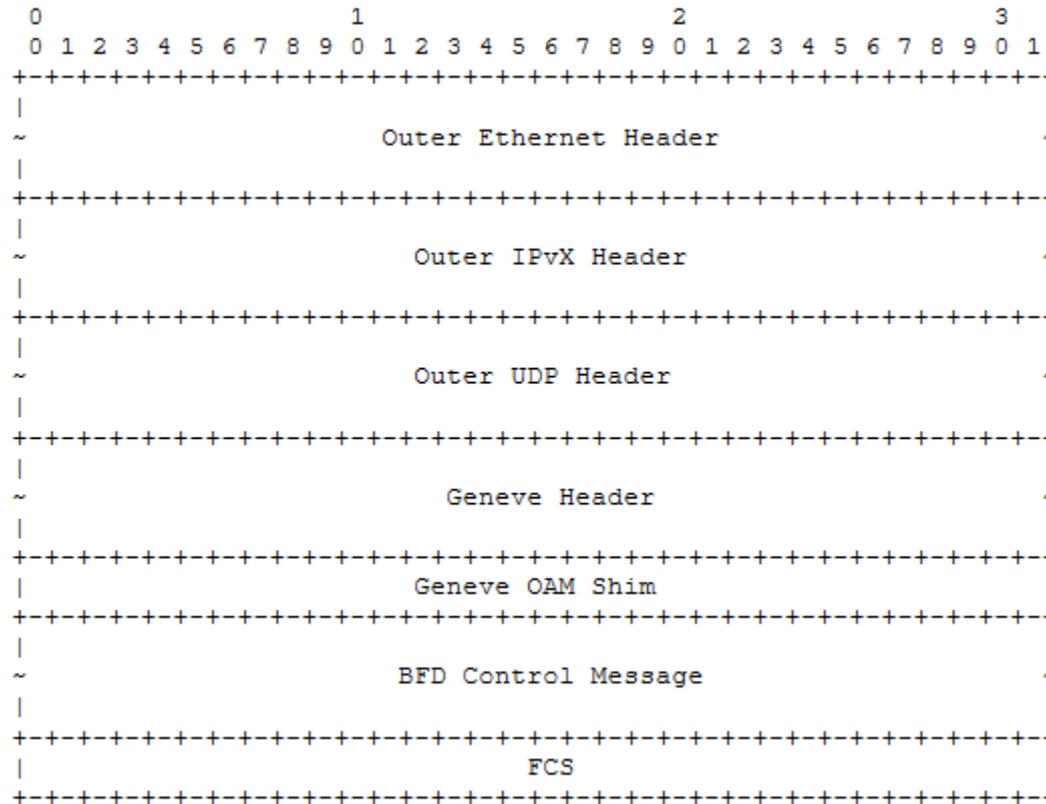
- If Protocol Type of user traffic is not equal to any of below values:

Protocol Type	Payload
0x6558	Ethernet
0x0800	IPv4
0x86DD	IPv6
0x8847	MPLS
0x8848	MPLS with the upstream-assigned label



- In this scenario, a new Protocol Type of Geneve header is requested from IANA, do we pragmatically need this encaps?

Unified Scenario - New Geneve OAM shim



- It's still in discussion whether we need a dedicated Geneve OAM Shim, if yes, this Shim can be used to indicate BFD Control Message

Next steps

- Ask for more reviews and comments
- Revise this draft to resolve comments
- Ask for WG adoption