

draft-gomez-lpwan-fragmentation-header-03

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Updated content (I/III)

- Fragmentation header
 - From 3-byte to 2-byte format
- First fragment

Subsequent fragments



Updated content (II/III)

- Format now not bound to 6LoWPAN dispatch
 - To be aligned with LPWAN work on header compression

- Name
 - Old: Optimized 6LoWPAN Fragmentation Header for LPWAN (6LoFHL)
 - New: LPWAN Fragmentation Header (LFH)



Updated content (III/III)

Adaptation layer fragmentation header overhead (bytes)

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	IPv6 datagram size (bytes)							
	11		40		100		1280	
L2 payload (bytes)	4944 LF	Ή	4944	LFH	4944	LFH	4944	
		4		10		26		
15			24	8	64	16	799	198
20	0	0	19	6	59	12		
25	0	0	14		34			112
] 30	0 1	0	9	4	24	8	269	92
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((LPWAN))

Discussion: I-byte format?



Option A

- Possible format
 - I bit: fragmentation header or not
 - 7 bits: fragment number
 - No tag, no 'more fragments' bit
- Is this feasible at all?
 - LoRaWAN: yes (enough to number all fragments for a 1280-byte packet)
 - Sigfox: yes (uplink), no (downlink)



Option A: issues

- Incomplete packets
 - E.g. received sequence of fragments 1, 2, 1, 2, 3, 4
 - · If two packets carried by 4 fragments each had been sent, the first one is incomplete
- Additional delay
 - Receiver does not know when all fragments of a packet have been received
 - Must wait for a time that, given message rate constraints, may be significant
- Apparently correct reassembly
 - E.g. received sequence of fragments I, 2, 3, being in reality I-A, 2-B, 3-B



Option B

- Possible format
 - I bit: fragmentation header (or not)
 - I bit: more fragments (or not)
 - 6 bits: fragment number
 - No tag
- Is this feasible at all?
 - LoRaWAN: yes (enough to number all fragments for a 1280-byte packet)
 - Sigfox: no



Option B: issues

- No incomplete packets issue
 - The 'more fragments' bit allows to identify incomplete packets
- No additional delay
 - Receiver knows whether all fragments of a packet have been received
- Apparently correct reassembly
 - E.g. received sequence of fragments 1, 2, 3, being in reality 1-A, 2-B, 3-B



Summary

- LoRaWAN
 - Can use option B
 - I-byte, but 'apparently correct reassembly' issue
- Sigfox
 - Can use option A for the uplink (only)
 - I-byte, but 'incomplete packets', 'apparently correct reassembly', and 'additional delay' issues