

Introduction to IPv6



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Agenda

- **Background**
- Protocols & Standards
- Addressing
- Routing Protocols
- Integration & Transition

Early Internet History

- Late 1980s
 - Exponential growth of the Internet
- Late 1990: CLNS proposed as IP replacement
- 1991-1992
 - Running out of “class-B” network numbers
 - Explosive growth of the “default-free” routing table
 - Eventual exhaustion of 32-bit address space
- Two efforts – short-term vs. long-term
 - More at “The Long and Windy ROAD”
<http://rms46.vlsm.org/1/42.html>

Early Internet History

- CIDR and Supernetting proposed in 1992-3
 - Deployment started in 1994
- IETF "ipng" solicitation – RFC1550, Dec 1993
- Proliferation of proposals:
 - TUBA – RFC1347, June 1992
 - PIP – RFC1621, RFC1622, May 1994
 - CATNIP – RFC1707, October 1994
 - SIPP – RFC1710, October 1994
 - NIMROD – RFC1753, December 1994
 - ENCAPS – RFC1955, June 1996
- Direction and technical criteria for ipng choice – RFC1719 and RFC1726, Dec 1994

Early Internet History

→ 1996

- RFC1883 published in December 1995
 - IPv6 Specification
- Other activities included:
 - Development of NAT, PPP, DHCP,...
 - Some IPv4 address reclamation
 - The RIR system was introduced
- → Brakes were put on IPv4 address consumption
- IPv4 32 bit address = 4 billion hosts
 - HD Ratio (RFC3194) realistically limits IPv4 to 250 million hosts

Recent Internet History

The “boom” years → 2001

- IPv6 Development in full swing
 - Rapid IPv4 consumption
 - IPv6 specifications sorted out
 - (Many) Transition mechanisms developed
- 6bone
 - Experimental IPv6 backbone sitting on top of Internet
 - Participants from over 100 countries
- Early adopters
 - Japan, Germany, France, UK,...

Recent Internet History

The “bust” years: 2001 → 2004

- The DotCom “crash”
 - i.e. Internet became mainstream
- IPv4:
 - Consumption slowed
 - Address space pressure “reduced”
- Indifference
 - Early adopters surging onwards
 - Sceptics more sceptical
 - Yet more transition mechanisms developed

2004 → 2011

- Resurgence in demand for IPv4 address space
 - All IPv4 address space was allocated by IANA by 3rd February 2011
 - Exhaustion predictions did range from wild to conservative
 - ...but by early 2011 IANA had no more!
 - ...and what about the market for address space?
- Market for IPv4 addresses:
 - Creates barrier to entry
 - Condemns the less affluent to tyranny of NATs
- IPv6 offers vast address space
 - **The only compelling reason for IPv6**

Current Situation

- General perception is that “IPv6 has not yet taken hold”
 - IPv4 Address run-out has now made it into “headline news”
 - More discussions and run-out plans proposed
 - Private sector still demanding a business case to “migrate”
 - No easy Return on Investment (RoI) computation
- But reality is very different from perception!
 - Something needs to be done to sustain the Internet growth
 - IPv6 or NAT or both or something else?

Do we really need a larger address space?

- Internet population
 - ~630 million users end of 2002 – 10% of world pop.
 - ~1320 million users end of 2007 – 20% of world pop.
 - Doubles every 5 years (approximately)
 - Future? (World pop. ~9B in 2050)
- US uses 92 /8s – this is 6.4 IPv4 addresses per person
 - Repeat this the world over...
 - 6 billion population could require 26 billion IPv4 addresses
 - (7 times larger than the IPv4 address pool)

Do we really need a larger address space?

- RFC 1918 is not sufficient for large environments
 - Cable Operators (e.g. Comcast – NANOG37 presentation)
 - Mobile providers (fixed/mobile convergence)
 - Large enterprises
- The Policy Development process of the RIRs turned down a request to increase private address space
 - RIR community guideline is to use global addresses instead
 - This leads to an accelerated depletion of the global address space
- Some wanted 240/4 as new private address space
 - But how to back fit onto all TCP/IP stacks released since 1995?

OS, Services, Applications, Content

- Operating Systems
 - MacOS X, Linux, BSD Family, many SYS V
 - Windows: XP SP2 (hidden away), Vista, 7
 - All use IPv6 first if available
 - (MacOS 10.7 has “happy eyeballs”)
- Applications
 - Browsers, E-mail clients, IM, bittorrent,...
- Services
 - DNS, Apache WebServer, E-mail gateways,...
- Content Availability
 - Needs to be on IPv4 and on IPv6

Status in Internet Operational Community

- Service Providers get an IPv6 prefix from their regional Internet Registries
 - Very straight forward process when compared with IPv4
- Much discussion amongst operators about transition:
 - NOG experiments of 2008
 - <http://www.civil-tongue.net/6and4/>
 - What is really still missing from IPv6
 - <http://www.nanog.org/mtg-0710/presentations/Bush-v6-op-reality.pdf>
 - Many presentations on IPv6 deployment experiences

Service Provider Status

- Many transit ISPs have “quietly” made their backbones IPv6 capable as part of infrastructure upgrades
 - Native is common (dual stack)
 - Providers using MPLS use 6PE/6VPE
 - Tunnels still used (unfortunately)
- Today finding IPv6 transit is not as challenging as it was 5 years ago

Why not use Network Address Translation?

- ❑ Private address space and Network address translation (NAT) could be used instead of IPv6
- ❑ But NAT has many serious issues:
 - Breaks the end-to-end model of IP
 - Breaks end-to-end network security
 - Serious consequences for Lawful Intercept
 - Non-NAT friendly applications means NAT has to be upgraded
 - Some applications don't work through NATs
 - Layered NAT devices
 - Mandates that the network keeps the state of the connections
 - How to scale NAT performance for large networks??
 - Makes fast rerouting and multihoming difficult
 - How to offer content from behind a NAT?

Conclusion

- There is a need for a larger address space
 - IPv6 offers this – will eventually replace NAT
 - But NAT will be around for a while too
 - Market for IPv4 addresses looming also
- Many challenges ahead



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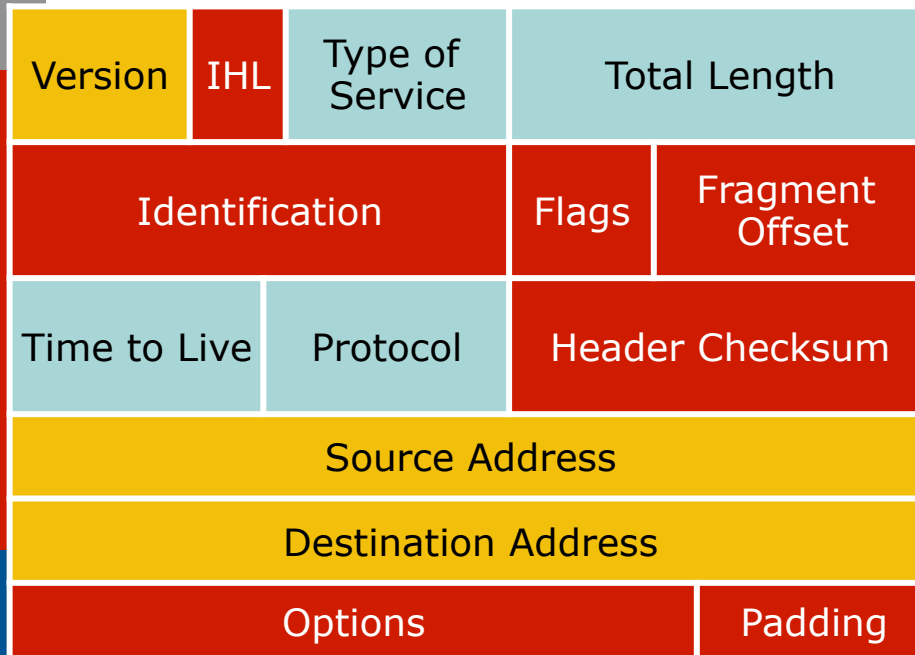
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So what has really changed?

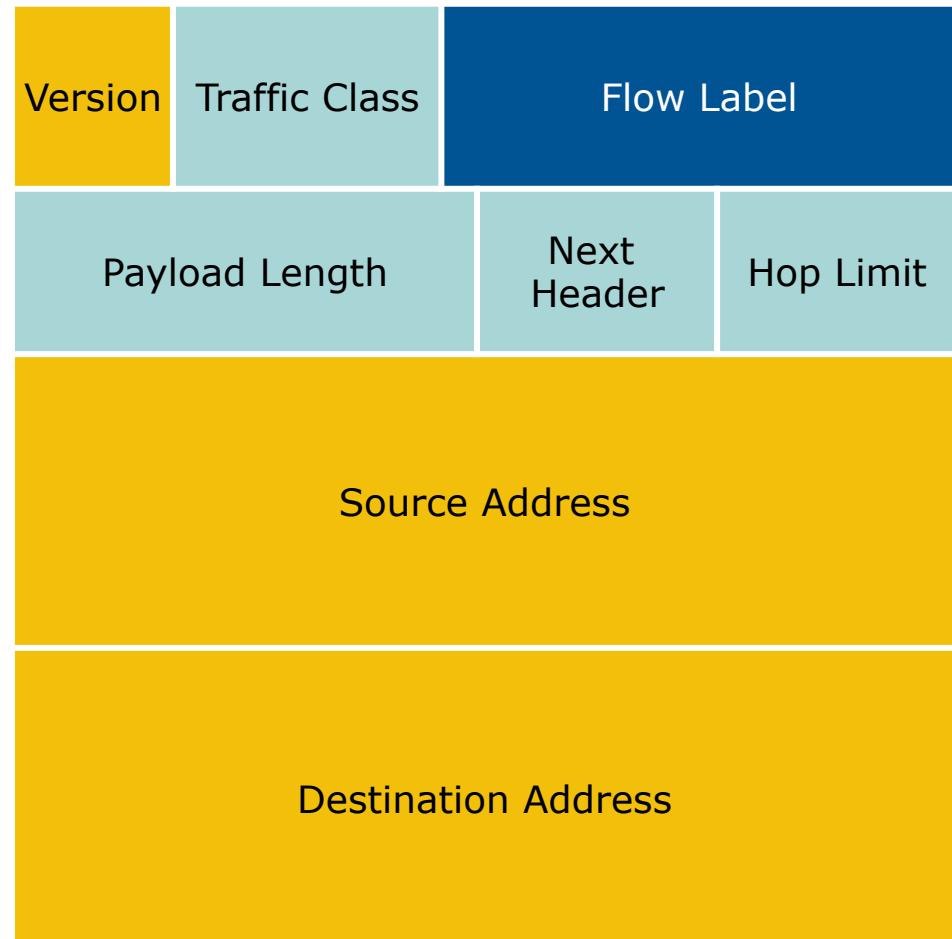
- ❑ Expanded address space
 - Address length quadrupled to 16 bytes
- ❑ Header Format Simplification
 - Fixed length, optional headers are daisy-chained
 - IPv6 header is twice as long (40 bytes) as IPv4 header without options (20 bytes)
- ❑ No checksum at the IP network layer
- ❑ No hop-by-hop segmentation
 - Path MTU discovery
- ❑ 64 bits aligned
- ❑ Authentication and Privacy Capabilities
 - IPsec is mandated
- ❑ No more broadcast

IPv4 and IPv6 Header Comparison

IPv4 Header



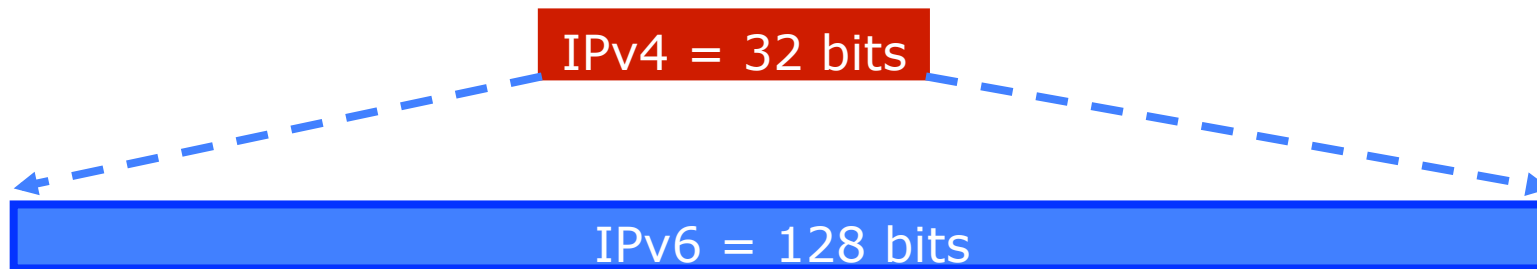
IPv6 Header



Legend

- Field's name kept from IPv4 to IPv6
- Fields not kept in IPv6
- Name and position changed in IPv6
- New field in IPv6

Larger Address Space




- IPv4
 - 32 bits
 - = 4,294,967,296 possible addressable devices
- IPv6
 - 128 bits: 4 times the size in bits
 - = 3.4×10^{38} possible addressable devices
 - = 340,282,366,920,938,463,463,374,607,431,768,211,456
 - $\sim 5 \times 10^{28}$ addresses per person on the planet

How was the IPv6 Address Size Chosen?

- Some wanted fixed-length, 64-bit addresses
 - Easily good for 10^{12} sites, 10^{15} nodes, at .0001 allocation efficiency
 - (3 orders of magnitude more than IPv6 requirement)
 - Minimizes growth of per-packet header overhead
 - Efficient for software processing
- Some wanted variable-length, up to 160 bits
 - Compatible with OSI NSAP addressing plans
 - Big enough for auto-configuration using IEEE 802 addresses
 - Could start with addresses shorter than 64 bits & grow later
- Settled on fixed-length, 128-bit addresses

IPv6 Address Representation (1)

- 16 bit fields in case insensitive colon hexadecimal representation
 - 2031:0000:130F:0000:0000:09C0:876A:130B
- Leading zeros in a field are optional:
 - 2031:0:130F:0:0:9C0:876A:130B
- Successive fields of 0 represented as ::, but only once in an address:
 - 2031:0:130F::9C0:876A:130B is ok
 - 2031::130F::9C0:876A:130B is **NOT** ok
 - 0:0:0:0:0:0:0:1 → ::1 (loopback address)
 - 0:0:0:0:0:0:0:0 → :: (unspecified address)

IPv6 Address Representation (2)

- `::` representation
 - RFC5952 recommends that the rightmost set of `:0:` be replaced with `::` for consistency
 - `2001:db8:0:2f::5` rather than `2001:db8::2f:0:0:0:5`
- IPv4-compatible (not used any more)
 - `0:0:0:0:0:0:192.168.30.1`
 - = `::192.168.30.1`
 - = `::C0A8:1E01`
- In a URL, it is enclosed in brackets (RFC3986)
 - [http://\[2001:db8:4f3a::206:ae14\]:8080/index.html](http://[2001:db8:4f3a::206:ae14]:8080/index.html)
 - Cumbersome for users, mostly for diagnostic purposes
 - Use fully qualified domain names (FQDN)
 - ⇒ The DNS has to work!!

IPv6 Address Representation (3)

□ Prefix Representation

- Representation of prefix is just like IPv4 CIDR
- In this representation you attach the prefix length
- Like IPv4 address:
 - 198.10.0.0/16
- IPv6 address is represented in the same way:
 - 2001:db8:12:::/40

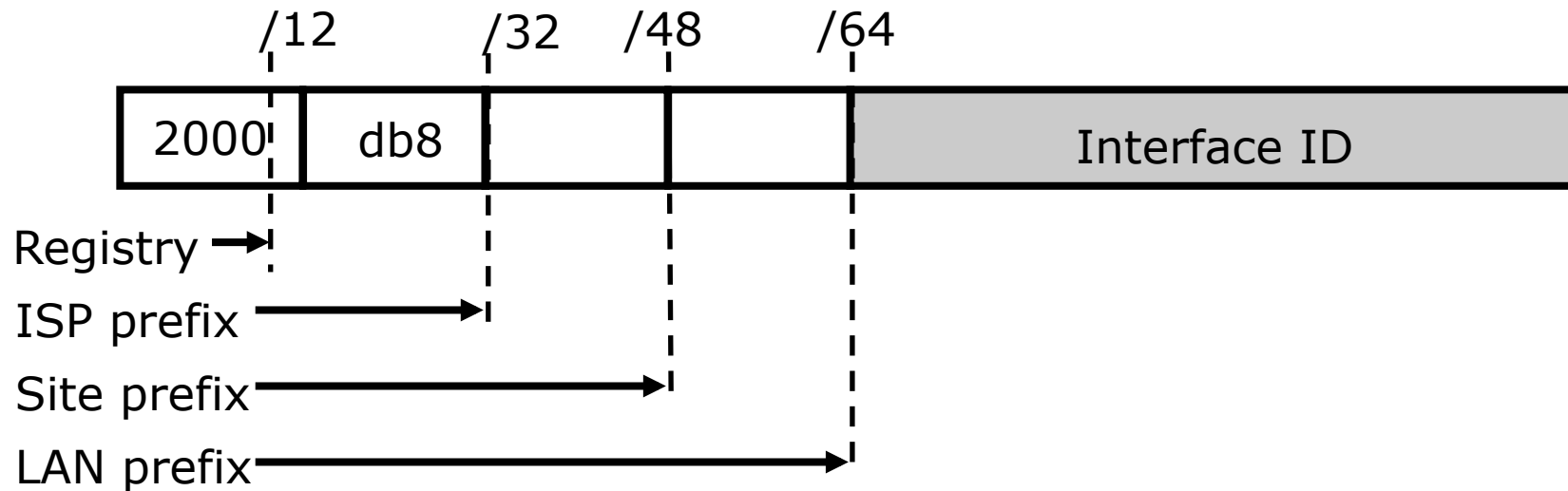
IPv6 Addressing

- IPv6 Addressing rules are covered by multiple RFCs
 - Architecture defined by RFC 4291
- Address Types are :
 - Unicast : One to One (Global, Unique Local, Link local)
 - Anycast : One to Nearest (Allocated from Unicast)
 - Multicast : One to Many
- A single interface may be assigned multiple IPv6 addresses of any type (unicast, anycast, multicast)
 - No Broadcast Address → Use Multicast

IPv6 Addressing

Type	Binary	Hex
Unspecified	000...0	::/128
Loopback	000...1	::1/128
Global Unicast Address	0010	2000::/3
Link Local Unicast Address	1111 1110 10	FE80::/10
Unique Local Unicast Address	1111 1100 1111 1101	FC00::/7
Multicast Address	1111 1111	FF00::/8

IPv6 Address Allocation



- The allocation process is:
 - The IANA is allocating out of 2000::/3 for initial IPv6 unicast use
 - Each registry gets a /12 prefix from the IANA
 - Registry allocates a /32 prefix (or larger) to an IPv6 ISP
 - Policy is that an ISP allocates a /48 prefix to each end customer

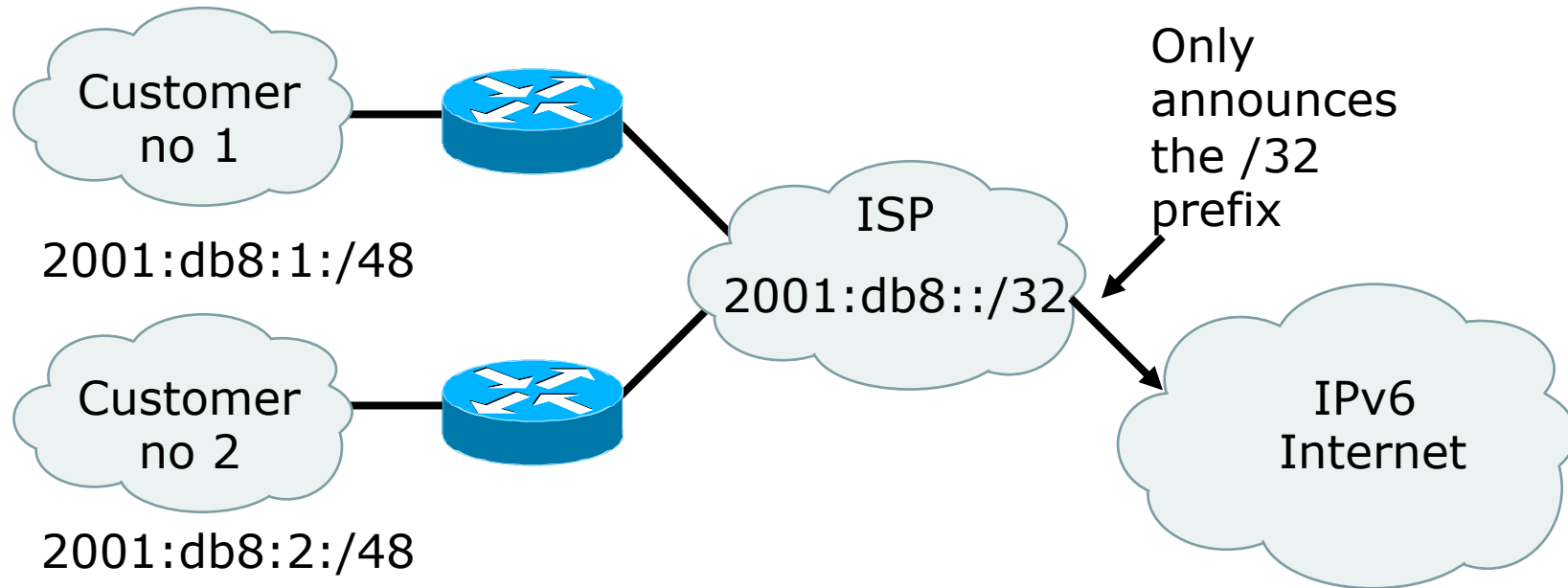
IPv6 Addressing Scope

- 64 bits reserved for the interface ID
 - Possibility of 2^{64} hosts on one network LAN
 - In theory 18,446,744,073,709,551,616 hosts
 - Arrangement to accommodate MAC addresses within the IPv6 address
- 16 bits reserved for the end site
 - Possibility of 2^{16} networks at each end-site
 - 65536 subnets equivalent to a /12 in IPv4 (assuming a /28 or 16 hosts per IPv4 subnet)

IPv6 Addressing Scope

- 16 bits reserved for each service provider
 - Possibility of 2^{16} end-sites per service provider
 - 65536 possible customers: equivalent to each service provider receiving a /8 in IPv4 (assuming a /24 address block per customer)
- 29 bits reserved for all service providers
 - Possibility of 2^{29} service providers
 - i.e. 536,870,912 discrete service provider networks
 - Although some service providers already are justifying more than a /32

Aggregation hopes



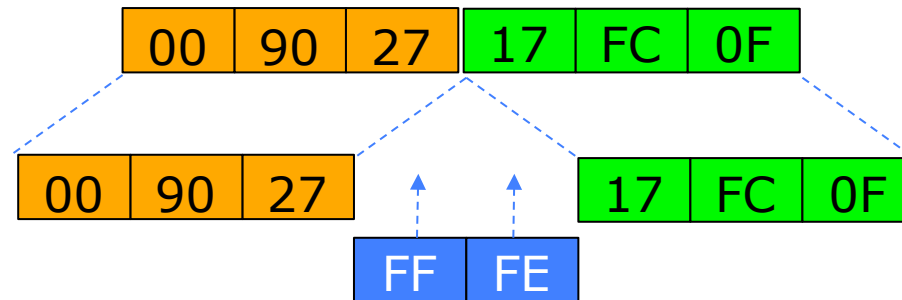
- ❑ Larger address space enables aggregation of prefixes announced in the global routing table
- ❑ Idea was to allow efficient and scalable routing
- ❑ **But current Internet multihoming solution breaks this model**

Interface IDs

- Lowest order 64-bit field of unicast address may be assigned in several different ways:
 - Auto-configured from a 64-bit EUI-64, or expanded from a 48-bit MAC address (e.g., Ethernet address)
 - Auto-generated pseudo-random number (to address privacy concerns)
 - Assigned via DHCP
 - Manually configured

EUI-64

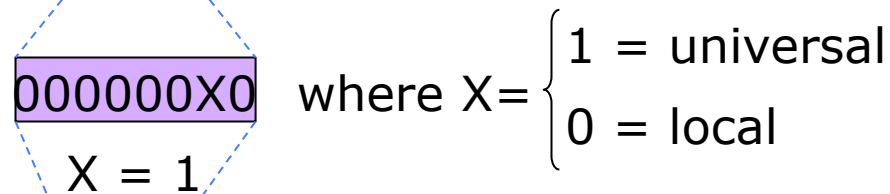
Ethernet MAC address
(48 bits)



64 bits version



Scope of the EUI-64 id



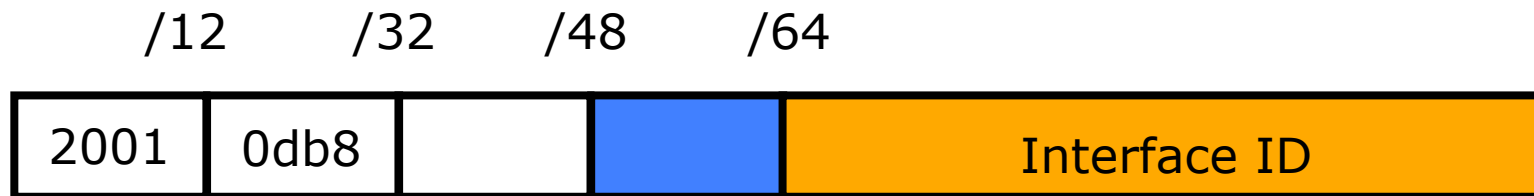
EUI-64 address



- EUI-64 address is formed by inserting FFFE between the **company-id** and the **manufacturer extension**, and setting the "u" bit to indicate scope

- Global scope: for IEEE 48-bit MAC
- Local scope: when no IEEE 48-bit MAC is available (eg serials, tunnels)

IPv6 Address Privacy (RFC 4941)



- ❑ Temporary addresses for IPv6 host client application, e.g. Web browser
- ❑ Intended to inhibit device/user tracking but is also a potential issue
 - More difficult to scan all IP addresses on a subnet
 - But port scan is identical when an address is known
- ❑ Random 64 bit interface ID, run DAD before using it
- ❑ Rate of change based on local policy
- ❑ Implemented on Microsoft Windows XP/Vista/7 and Apple MacOS 10.7 onwards
 - Can be activated on FreeBSD/Linux with a system call

Host IPv6 Addressing Options

- Stateless (RFC4862)
 - SLAAC – Stateless Address AutoConfiguration
 - Booting node sends a “router solicitation” to request “router advertisement” to get information to configure its interface
 - Booting node configures its own Link-Local address
- Stateful
 - DHCPv6 – required by most enterprises
 - Manual – like IPv4 pre-DHCP
 - Useful for servers and router infrastructure
 - Doesn't scale for typical end user devices

IPv6 Renumbering

□ Renumbering Hosts

■ Stateless:

- Hosts renumbering is done by modifying the RA to announce the old prefix with a short lifetime and the new prefix

■ Stateful:

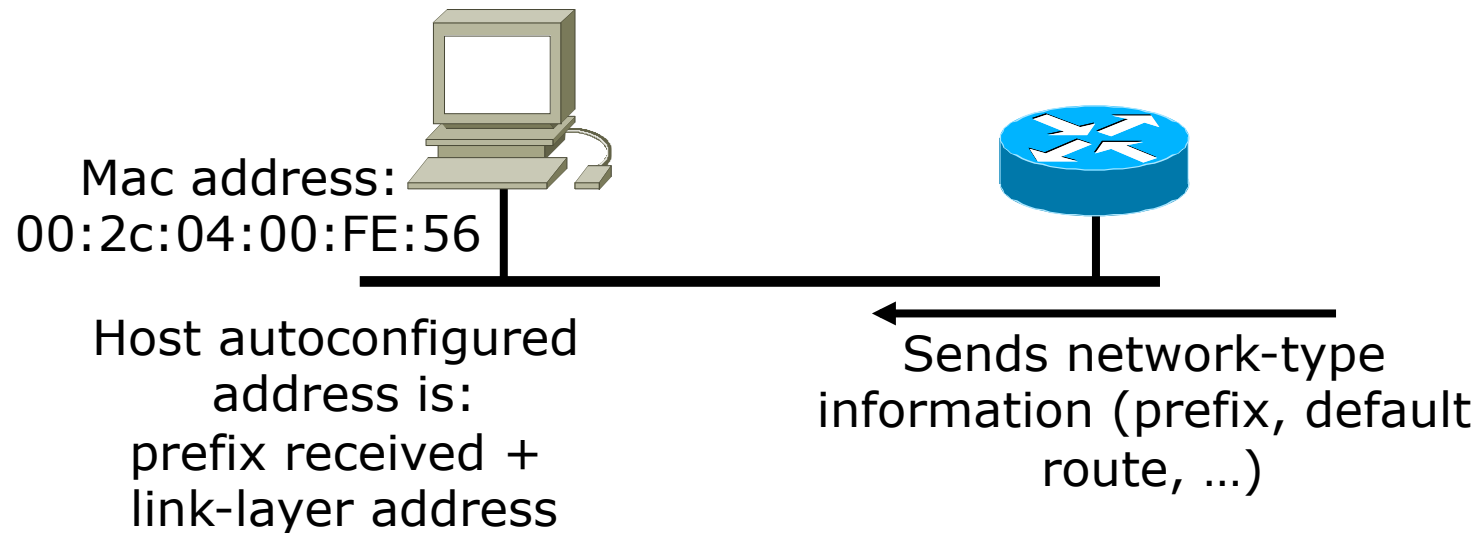
- DHCPv6 uses same process as DHCPv4

□ Renumbering Routers

- Router renumbering protocol was developed (RFC 2894) to allow domain-interior routers to learn of prefix introduction / withdrawal

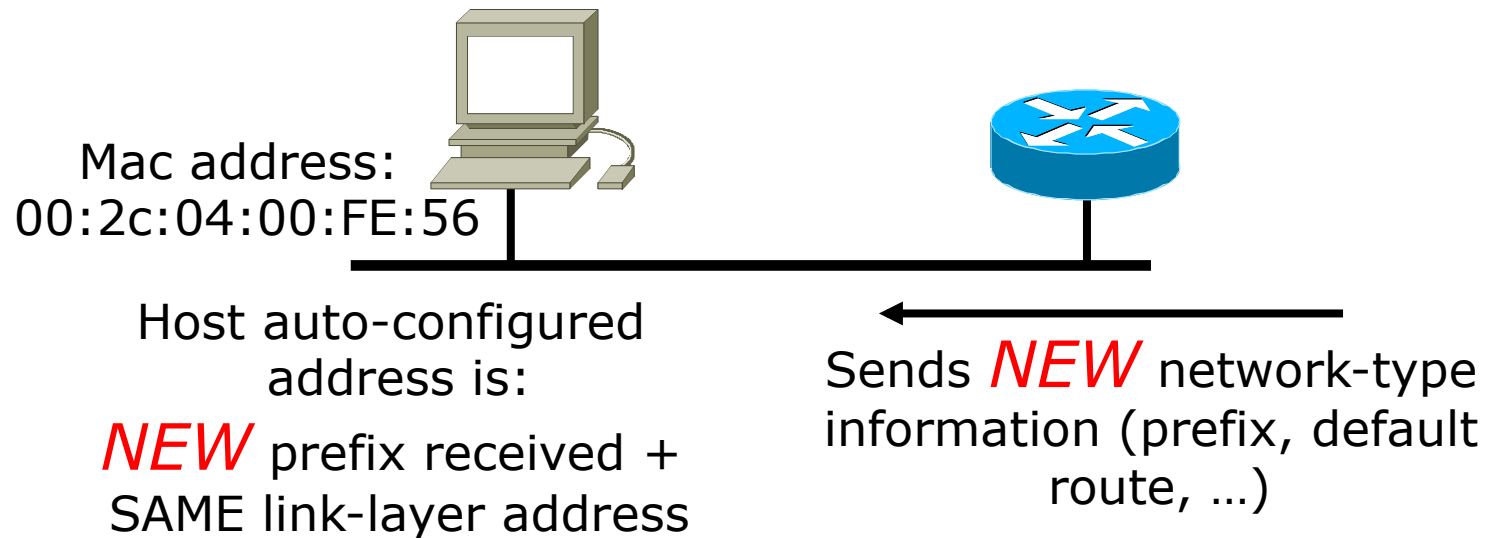
- **No known implementation!**

Auto-configuration



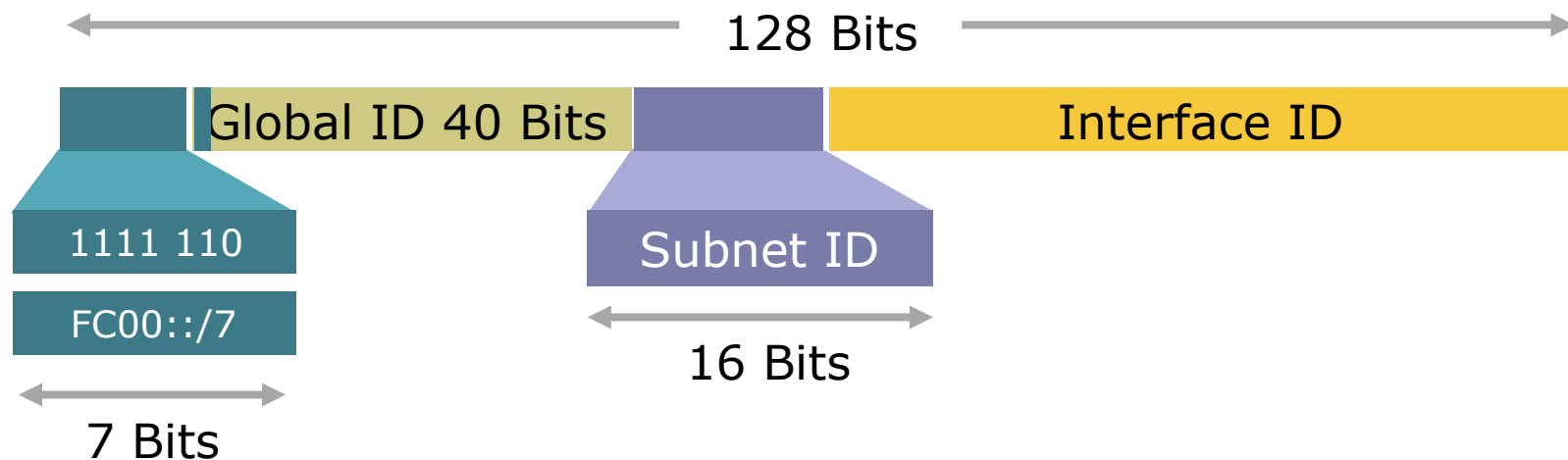
- ❑ PC sends router solicitation (RS) message
- ❑ Router responds with router advertisement (RA)
 - This includes prefix and default route
 - RFC6106 adds DNS server option
- ❑ PC configures its IPv6 address by concatenating prefix received with its EUI-64 address

Renumbering



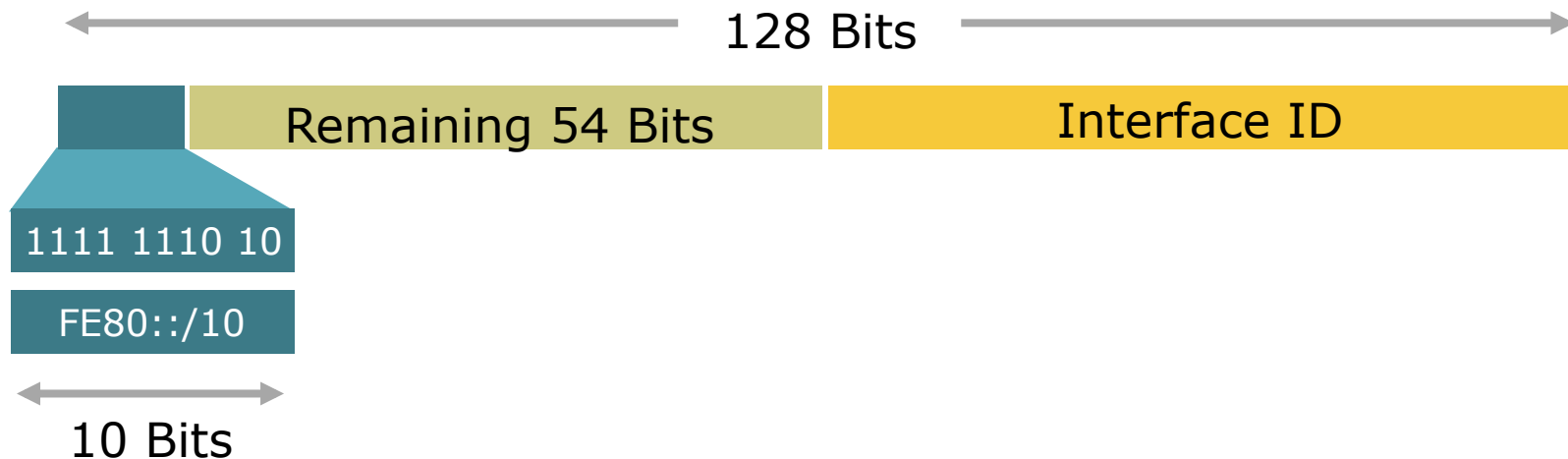
- ❑ Router sends router advertisement (RA)
 - This includes the new prefix and default route (and remaining lifetime of the old address)
- ❑ PC configures a new IPv6 address by concatenating prefix received with its EUI-64 address
 - Attaches lifetime to old address

Unique-Local



- Unique-Local Addresses Used For:
 - Local communications & inter-site VPNs
 - Local devices such as printers, telephones, etc
 - Site Network Management systems connectivity
- Not routable on the Internet
- Reinvention of the deprecated site-local?

Link-Local



- ❑ Link-Local Addresses Used For:
 - Communication between two IPv6 device (like ARP but at Layer 3)
 - Next-Hop calculation in Routing Protocols
- ❑ Automatically assigned by Router as soon as IPv6 is enabled
 - Mandatory Address
- ❑ Only Link Specific scope
- ❑ Remaining 54 bits could be Zero or any manual configured value

Multicast use

- ❑ Broadcasts in IPv4
 - Interrupts all devices on the LAN even if the intent of the request was for a subset
 - Can completely swamp the network (“broadcast storm”)
- ❑ Broadcasts in IPv6
 - Are not used and replaced by multicast
- ❑ Multicast
 - Enables the efficient use of the network
 - Multicast address range is much larger

IPv6 Multicast Address

- IP multicast address has a prefix FF00::/8
- The second octet defines the lifetime and scope of the multicast address.

8-bit	4-bit	4-bit	112-bit
1111 1111	Lifetime	Scope	Group-ID

Lifetime	
0	If Permanent
1	If Temporary

Scope	
1	Node
2	Link
5	Site
8	Organisation
E	Global

IPv6 Multicast Address Examples

□ RIPng

- The multicast address AllRIPRouters is **FF02::9**
 - Note that 02 means that this is a permanent address and has link scope

□ OSPFv3

- The multicast address AllSPFRouters is **FF02::5**
- The multicast address AllDRouters is **FF02::6**

□ EIGRP

- The multicast address AllEIGRPRouters is **FF02::A**

IPv6 Anycast

- An IPv6 anycast address is an identifier for a set of interfaces (typically belonging to different nodes)
 - A packet sent to an anycast address is delivered to one of the interfaces identified by that address (the “nearest” one, according to the routing protocol’s measure of distance).
 - [RFC4291 describes IPv6 Anycast in more detail](#)
- In reality there is no known implementation of IPv6 Anycast as per the RFC
 - Most operators have chosen to use IPv4 style anycast instead

Anycast on the Internet

- A global unicast address is assigned to all nodes which need to respond to a service being offered
 - This address is routed as part of its parent address block
- The responding node is the one which is closest to the requesting node according to the routing protocol
 - Each anycast node looks identical to the other
- Applicable within an ASN, or globally across the Internet
- Typical (IPv4) examples today include:
 - Root DNS and ccTLD/gTLD nameservers
 - SMTP relays and DNS resolvers within ISP autonomous systems

MTU Issues

- ❑ Minimum link MTU for IPv6 is 1280 octets (versus 68 octets for IPv4)
 - ⇒ on links with MTU < 1280, link-specific fragmentation and reassembly must be used
- ❑ Implementations are expected to perform path MTU discovery to send packets bigger than 1280
- ❑ Minimal implementation can omit PMTU discovery as long as all packets kept ≤ 1280 octets
- ❑ A Hop-by-Hop Option supports transmission of “jumbograms” with up to 2^{32} octets of payload

IPv6 Neighbour Discovery

- Protocol defines mechanisms for the following problems:
 - Router discovery
 - Prefix discovery
 - Parameter discovery
 - Address autoconfiguration
 - Address resolution
 - Next-hop determination
 - Neighbour unreachability detection
 - Duplicate address detection
 - Redirects

IPv6 and DNS

- Hostname to IP address:

IPv4	www.abc.test.	A	192.168.30.1
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IPv6	www.abc.test	AAAA	2001:db8:c18:1::2
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IPv6 Technology Scope

IP Service

IPv4 Solution

IPv6 Solution

Addressing
Range

32-bit, Network
Address Translation

128-bit, Multiple
Scopes

Autoconfiguration

DHCP

Serverless,
Reconfiguration, DHCP

Security

IPSec

IPSec Mandated,
works End-to-End

Mobility

Mobile IP

Mobile IP with Direct
Routing

Quality-of-
Service

Differentiated Service,
Integrated Service

Differentiated Service,
Integrated Service

IP Multicast

IGMP/PIM/Multicast
BGP

MLD/PIM/Multicast
BGP, Scope Identifier

What does IPv6 do for:

□ Security

- Nothing IPv4 doesn't do – IPSec runs in both
- But IPv6 mandates IPSec

□ QoS

- Nothing IPv4 doesn't do –
 - Differentiated and Integrated Services run in both
 - So far, Flow label has no real use

IPv6 Status – Standardisation

- Several key components on standards track...
 - Specification (RFC2460)
 - ICMPv6 (RFC4443)
 - RIP (RFC2080)
 - IGMPv6 (RFC2710)
 - Router Alert (RFC2711)
 - Autoconfiguration (RFC4862)
 - DHCPv6 (RFC3315 & 4361)
 - IPv6 Mobility (RFC3775)
 - GRE Tunnelling (RFC2473)
 - DAD for IPv6 (RFC4429)
 - ISIS for IPv6 (RFC5308)
 - Neighbour Discovery (RFC4861)
 - IPv6 Addresses (RFC4291 & 3587)
 - BGP (RFC2545)
 - OSPF (RFC5340)
 - Jumbograms (RFC2675)
 - Radius (RFC3162)
 - Flow Label (RFC6436/7/8)
 - Mobile IPv6 MIB (RFC4295)
 - Unique Local IPv6 Addresses (RFC4193)
 - Teredo (RFC4380)
 - VRRP (RFC5798)
- IPv6 available over:
 - PPP (RFC5072)
 - FDDI (RFC2467)
 - NBMA (RFC2491)
 - Frame Relay (RFC2590)
 - IEEE1394 (RFC3146)
 - Facebook (RFC5514)
 - Ethernet (RFC2464)
 - Token Ring (RFC2470)
 - ATM (RFC2492)
 - ARCnet (RFC2497)
 - FibreChannel (RFC4338)



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Getting IPv6 address space (1)

- **From your Regional Internet Registry**
 - Become a member of your Regional Internet Registry and get your own allocation
 - Membership usually open to all network operators
 - General allocation policies are outlined in RFC2050
 - RIR specific details for IPv6 allocations are listed on the individual RIR website
 - Open to all organisations who are operating a network
 - Receive a /32 (or larger if you will have more than 65k /48 assignments)

Getting IPv6 address space (2)

- **From your upstream ISP**
 - Receive a /48 from upstream ISP's IPv6 address block
 - Receive more than one /48 if you have more than 65k subnets
- **If you need to multihome:**
 - Apply for a /48 assignment from your RIR
 - Multihoming with provider's /48 will be operationally challenging
 - Provider policies, filters, etc

Using 6to4 for IPv6 address space

- Some entities still use 6to4
 - Not recommended due to operational problems
 - Read <http://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/draft-ietf-v6ops-6to4-to-historic> for some of the reasoning why
- FYI: 6to4 operation:
 - Take a single public IPv4 /32 address
 - 2002:<ipv4 /32 address>::/48 becomes your IPv6 address block, giving 65k subnets
 - Requires a 6to4 gateway
 - 6to4 is a means of connecting IPv6 islands across the IPv4 Internet

Addressing Plans – Infrastructure

- ❑ All Network Operators should obtain a /32 from their RIR
- ❑ Address block for router loop-back interfaces
 - Number all loopbacks out of **one** /64
 - /128 per loopback
- ❑ Address block for infrastructure (backbone)
 - /48 allows 65k subnets
 - /48 per region (for the largest multi-national networks)
 - /48 for whole backbone (for the majority of networks)
 - Infrastructure/backbone usually does NOT require regional/geographical addressing
 - Summarise between sites if it makes sense

Addressing Plans – Infrastructure

- What about LANs?
 - /64 per LAN
- What about Point-to-Point links?
 - Protocol design expectation is that /64 is used
 - /127 now recommended/standardised
 - <http://www.rfc-editor.org/rfc/rfc6164.txt>
 - (reserve /64 for the link, but address it as a /127)
 - Other options:
 - /126s are being used (mimics IPv4 /30)
 - /112s are being used
 - Leaves final 16 bits free for node IDs
 - Some discussion about /80s, /96s and /120s too

Addressing Plans – Customer

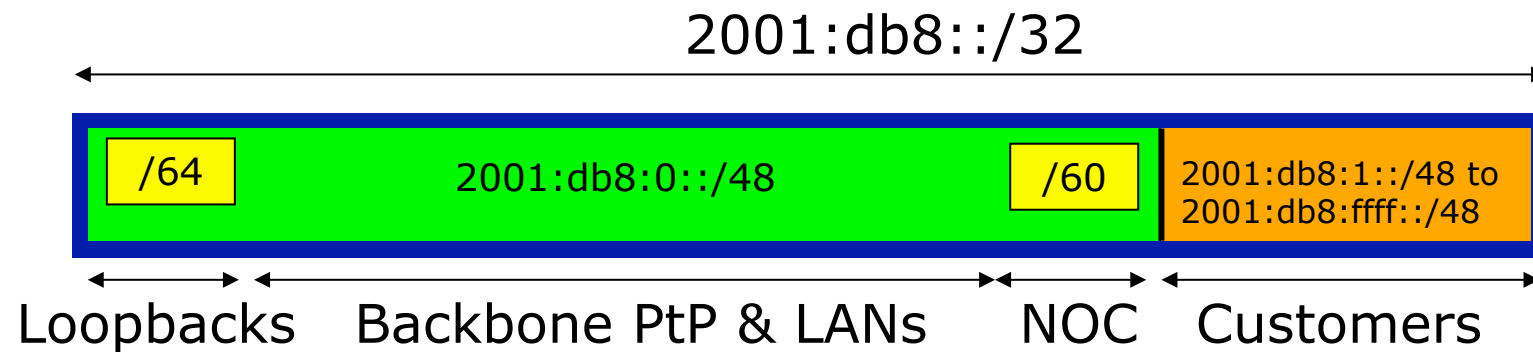
- Customers get **one** /48
 - Unless they have more than 65k subnets in which case they get a second /48 (and so on)
- In typical deployments today:
 - Several ISPs are giving small customers a /56 and single LAN end-sites a /64, e.g.:
 - /64 if end-site will only ever be a LAN
 - /56 for small end-sites (e.g. home/office/small business)
 - /48 for large end-sites
 - This is another very active discussion area
 - Observations:
 - Don't assume that a mobile endsite needs only a /64
 - Some operators are distributing /60s to their smallest customers!!

Addressing Plans – Advice

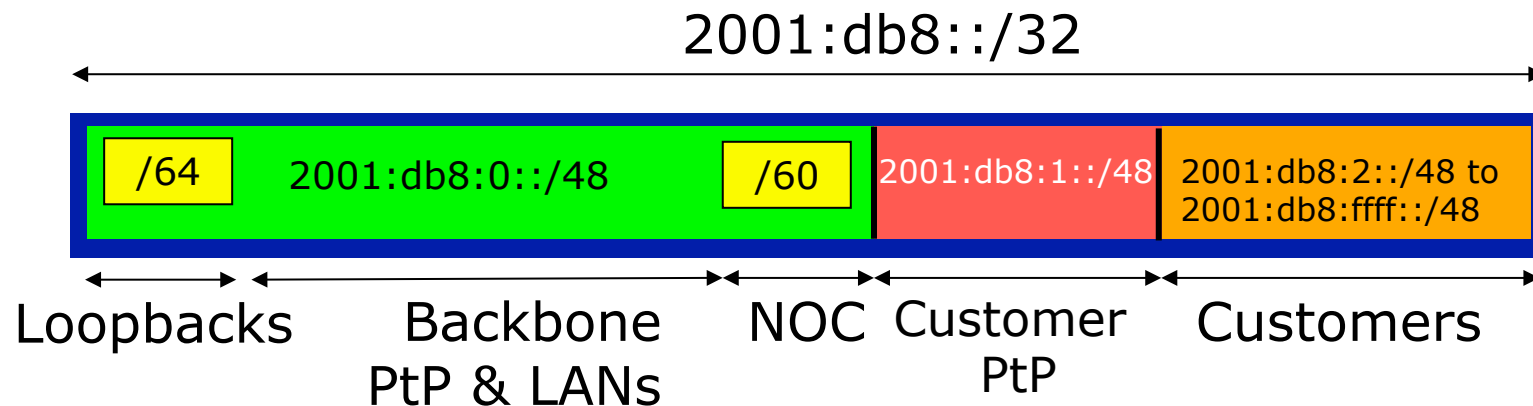
- ❑ Customer address assignments should not be reserved or assigned on a per PoP basis
 - Follow same principle as for IPv4
 - Subnet aggregate to cater for multihoming needs
 - Consider regional delegation
 - ISP iBGP carries customer nets
 - Aggregation within the iBGP not required and usually not desirable
 - Aggregation in eBGP is very necessary
- ❑ Backbone infrastructure assignments:
 - Number out of a **single** /48
 - ❑ Operational simplicity and security
 - Aggregate to minimise size of the IGP

Addressing Plans – Scheme

Looking at Infrastructure:



Alternative:



Addressing Plans Planning

- Registries will usually allocate the next block to be contiguous with the first allocation
 - (RIRs use a sparse allocation strategy – industry goal is aggregation)
 - Minimum allocation is /32
 - Very likely that subsequent allocation will make this up to a /31 or larger (/28)
 - So plan accordingly

Addressing Tools

- Examples of IP address planning tools:
 - NetDot netdot.uoregon.edu (recommended!!)
 - HaCi sourceforge.net/projects/haci
 - IPAT nethead.de/index.php/ipat
 - freeipdb home.globalcrossing.net/~freeipdb/
- Examples of IPv6 subnet calculators:
 - ipv6gen code.google.com/p/ipv6gen/
 - sipcalc www.routemeister.net/projects/sipcalc/



Agenda

- Background
- Protocols & Standards
- Addressing
- **Routing Protocols**
- Integration & Transition

Static Routing in IPv6

- Unchanged from IPv4
 - Default route is now `::/0`
 - On most platforms, the CLI is very similar
- Cisco IOS Static Routing Example:

```
ipv6 route 2001:db8::/64 2001:db8:0:CC::1 110
```

- Routes packets for network `2001:db8::/64` to a networking device at `2001:db8:0:CC::1` with an administrative distance of 110

Dynamic Routing Protocols in IPv6

- Dynamic Routing in IPv6 is unchanged from IPv4:
 - IPv6 has 2 types of routing protocols: IGP and EGP
 - IPv6 still uses the longest-prefix match routing algorithm
- IGP
 - RIPng (RFC 2080)
 - Cisco EIGRP for IPv6
 - OSPFv3 (RFC 5340)
 - Integrated IS-ISv6 (RFC 5308)
- EGP
 - MP-BGP4 (RFC 4760 and RFC 2545)

Configuring Routing Protocols

- ❑ Dynamic routing protocols require router-id
 - Router-id is a 32 bit integer
 - IOS auto-generates these from loopback interface address if configured, else highest IPv4 address on the router
 - **Most ISPs will deploy IPv6 dual stack** – so router-id will be automatically created
- ❑ Early adopters choosing to deploy IPv6 in the total absence of any IPv4 addressing need to be aware:
 - Router-id needs to be manually configured:

```
ipv6 router ospf 100
  router-id 10.1.1.4
```

RIPng

- For the ISP industry, simply don't go here
- ISPs do not use RIP in any form unless there is absolutely no alternative
 - And there usually is
- RIPng was used in the early days of the IPv6 test network
 - Sensible routing protocols such as OSPF and BGP rapidly replaced RIPng when they became available



OSPFv3 overview

- ❑ OSPFv3 is OSPF for IPv6 (RFC 5340)
- ❑ Based on OSPFv2, with enhancements
- ❑ Distributes IPv6 prefixes
- ❑ Runs directly over IPv6
- ❑ Completely independent of OSPFv2

Differences from OSPFv2

- Runs over a link, not a subnet
 - Multiple instances per link
- Topology not IPv6 specific
 - Router ID
 - Link ID
- Standard authentication mechanisms
- Uses link local addresses
- Generalized flooding scope
- Two new LSA types

ISIS Standards History

- ❑ ISO 10589 specifies the OSI IS-IS routing protocol for CLNS traffic
- ❑ RFC 1195 added IPv4 support
 - Also known as Integrated IS-IS (I/IS-IS)
 - I/IS-IS runs on top of the Data Link Layer
- ❑ RFC5308 adds IPv6 address family support
- ❑ RFC5120 defines Multi-Topology concept
 - Permits IPv4 and IPv6 topologies which are not identical
 - Permits roll out of IPv6 without impacting IPv4 operations

IS-IS for IPv6

- 2 TLVs added to introduce IPv6 routing
 - IPv6 Reachability TLV (0xEC)
 - IPv6 Interface Address TLV (0xE8)
- 4 TLVs added to support multi-topology ISIS
 - Multi Topology
 - Multi Topology Intermediate Systems
 - Multi Topology Reachable IPv4 Prefixes
 - Multi Topology Reachable IPv6 Prefixes
- Multi Topology IDs
 - #0 – standard topology for IPv4/CLNS
 - #2 – topology for IPv6

Multi-Protocol BGP for IPv6 – RFC2545

- IPv6 specific extensions
 - Scoped addresses: Next-hop contains a global IPv6 address and/or potentially a link-local address
 - NEXT_HOP and NLRI are expressed as IPv6 addresses and prefix
 - Address Family Information (AFI) = 2 (IPv6)
 - Sub-AFI = 1 (NLRI is used for unicast)
 - Sub-AFI = 2 (NLRI is used for multicast RPF check)
 - Sub-AFI = 3 (NLRI is used for both unicast and multicast RPF check)
 - Sub-AFI = 4 (label)



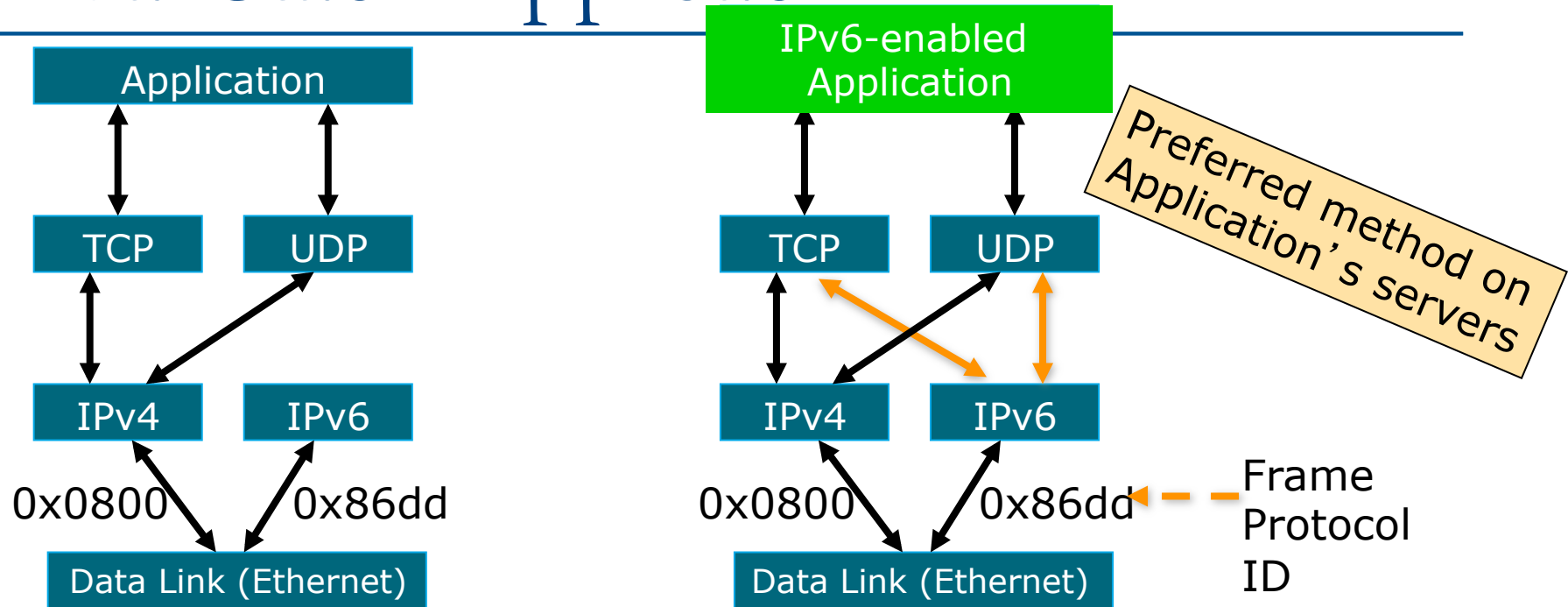
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IPv4-IPv6 Co-existence/Transition

- A wide range of techniques have been identified and implemented, basically falling into three categories:
 - **Dual-stack techniques**, to allow IPv4 and IPv6 to co-exist in the same devices and networks
 - **Tunneling techniques**, to avoid dependencies when upgrading hosts, routers, or regions
 - **Translation techniques**, to allow IPv6-only devices to communicate with IPv4-only devices
- All of these are being used, in combination

Dual Stack Approach



- Dual stack node means:
 - Both IPv4 and IPv6 stacks enabled
 - Applications can talk to both
 - Choice of the IP version is based on name lookup and application preference

Strategies available for Service Providers

1. Do nothing
 - Wait and see what competitors do
 - Business not growing, so don't care what happens
2. Extend life of IPv4
 - Force customers to NAT
 - Buy IPv4 address space on the marketplace
3. Deploy IPv6
 - Dual-stack infrastructure
 - IPv6 and NATed IPv4 for customers
 - 6rd (Rapid Deploy) with native or NATed IPv4 for customers
 - Or various other combinations of IPv6, IPv4 and NAT

1. Doing Nothing

□ Advantages

- Easiest and most cost effective short term strategy

□ Disadvantages

- Limited to IPv4 address availability (RIRs or marketplace)
- No access to IPv6
- Negative public perception of SP as a laggard
- Strategy will have to be reconsidered once IPv4 address space is no longer available

2. Extending life of IPv4 Network

- Two ways of extending IPv4 network
 - Next step along from “Strategy One: Do nothing”
- Force customers to use NAT
 - Customers moved to RFC1918 address space
 - SP infrastructure moved to RFC6598 address space (or use RFC1918 where feasible)
- Acquire IPv4 address space from another organisation
 - IPv4 subnet trading

3. IPv4/IPv6 coexistence & transition

- Three strategies for IPv6 transition:
 - Dual Stack Network
 - The original strategy
 - Depends on sufficient IPv4 being available
 - 6rd (Rapid Deploy)
 - Improvement on 6to4 for SP customer deployment
 - Large Scale NAT (LSN)
 - SP deploys large NAT boxes to do address and/or protocol translation
 - Typically NAT444, Dual-Stack Lite and NAT64

Conclusions

Potential Scenarios

- ❑ Most of the content and applications move to IPv6 only;
- ❑ Most of the content and applications are offered for IPv4 and IPv6;
- ❑ Most of the users move to IPv6 only
 - Especially mobile operators offering LTE handsets in emerging countries
- ❑ No change (the contents/applications stay IPv4 and absence of pro-IPv6 regulation), SP customer expectations devolve to double-NAT;
- ❑ No change (the contents/applications stay IPv4) but SP customer expectations do not devolve to double-NAT (or they are ready to pay for peer-to-peer connectivity).
 - Perhaps well established broadband markets like US or Europe

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Potential Techniques

Scenario	Potential Techniques
Content and Applications move to IPv6	IPv6 only network; Dual-Stack, 6rd and DS-lite as migration techniques
Content and Applications on IPv4 and IPv6	Dual-Stack (if enough IPv4) or 6rd; SP IPv4-NAT; DS-lite (for greenfield) *
Users are IPv6 only	Stateful/Stateless AFT to get to IPv4 content *
No change (double NAT)	SP IPv4-NAT *
No change (no double NAT)	Do nothing *

*** Transfer Market applicable**

Recommendations

1. Start deploying IPv6 as long term strategy
2. Evaluate current addressing usage to understand if IPv4 to IPv4 NAT is sufficient for transition period
3. Prepare a translation mechanism from the IPv4 Internet to the IPv6 Internet
4. Educate your user base on IPv6 introduction, the use cases and troubleshooting