# IPv6 Transition Mechanisms and Strategies

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  - Translation
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## IPv6 Transition Overview

- Myths:
  - Transition requires major fork-lift
  - Transition starts in the network backbone
  - Transition Plan defines Flag-Day deployment
  - Deployment is very expensive

# Backward Compatibility and Integration

#### IPv4

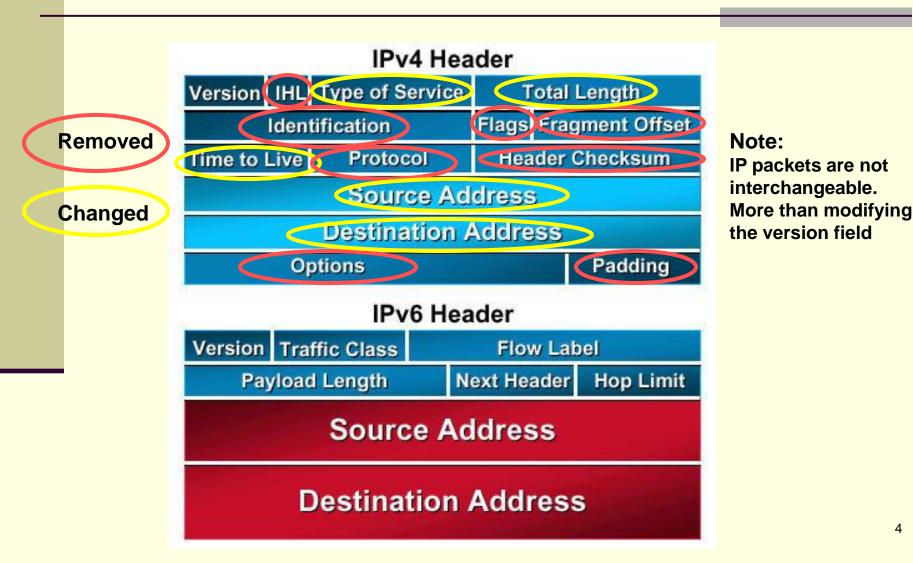
- 20 octets
- 12 main header fields
- Fixed max number of options

#### IPv6

- Fixed 40 octets
- 8 main header fields
- Unlimited chained extension (options) header

	IPv4 Packet	IPv6 Packet		
HDR	Payload		HDR	Payload

## **Backward Compatibility and** Integration



# IPv4 and IPv6 addresses

- 192.210.145.112 IPv4 address 32bits (decimal form divided into octets)
- 192.210.145.112/24 24 bit subnet mask

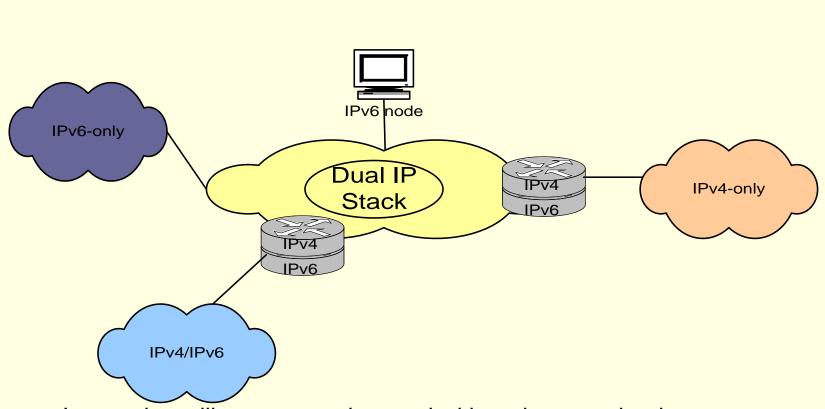
- 2001:CE8B:0011:0A00:8000:0000:ABCF:0001 IPv6 address 128 bits (hex form divided into 8 units, 16 bits ea.)
- 2001:CE8B:11:A00:8000::ABCF:1 compressed
- 2001:CE8B:11:A00::/64 64 bit prefix

# **Transition Mechanisms**

- 3 types:
  - Dual Stack
  - Tunneling
  - Translation

Enables migration of IPv6 traffic to be transferred over existing IPv4 networks.

# **IP** Network Scenarios



- Integration will occur over time and with various mechanisms
- Eventually move IPv4 networks to outer edge

#### **Dual-Stack Network Deployment**

- A dual-stack network is one that has both IPv4 and IPv6 on every interface
- "Ships in the night"
- Generally considered <best> strategy could be large effort
- Goal of protocol "integration" is dual stack

#### Tunneling – Issues and Advantages

- Tunneling mechanisms allow other protocols to be carried over a different protocol network
- Tunneling "encapsulates" the passenger protocol within the payload of the hosting protocol
- IPv6-only to IPv6-only nodes between two sites where IPv4 transport is in the middle

#### Translation – Issues and Advantages

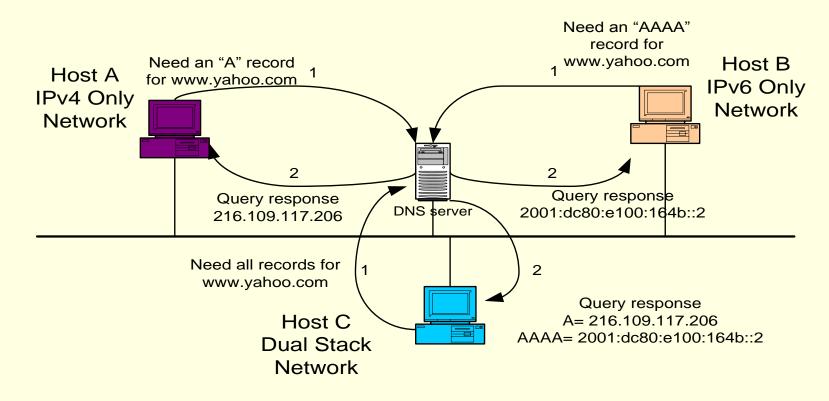
- Translation allows IPv4 and IPv6 nodes to talk to each other, through a translation function
- Translation can be more complex, and introduces the same issues as IPv4 NAT, plus others
- IPv6 community positioning translation as last-resort mechanism

## Naming Services

- DNS must be included in transition strategy
- Resolving Names:
  - IPv4 specifies "A" records
  - IPv6 specifies "AAAA" records
- Applications should be aware of both records
- Will require development update and thorough testing
- Tools like "Scrubber" by Sun make it easy

#### Naming Services

#### Querying DNS server



## Manually Configured Tunnels

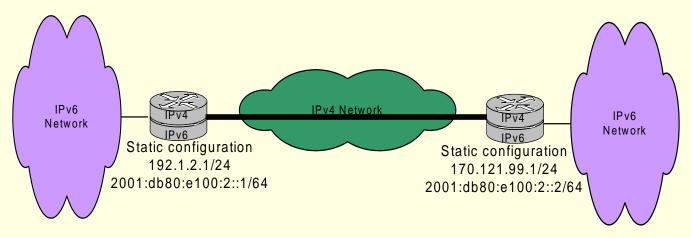
- Manually configured tunnels are logical tunnels formed when one protocol version packet is encapsulated in the payload of another version packet
- e.g. IPv4 encapsulated in IPv6 or IPv6 encapsulated in IPv4

#### IPv4 Packet with tunneling

IPv4		IPv6 Packet		Payload	
HDR		HDR	Pay	/load	

## Configured Tunnel-building

- Configured tunnels require static IPv4 addresses
- Configured tunnels are generally setup and maintained by a network administrator
- Configured tunnels are a proven IPv6 deployment technique and provide stable links



### Potential Tunnel Issues

- MTU fragmentation
- ICMPv4 error handling
- Filtering protocol 41
- NAT (Network Address Translation)

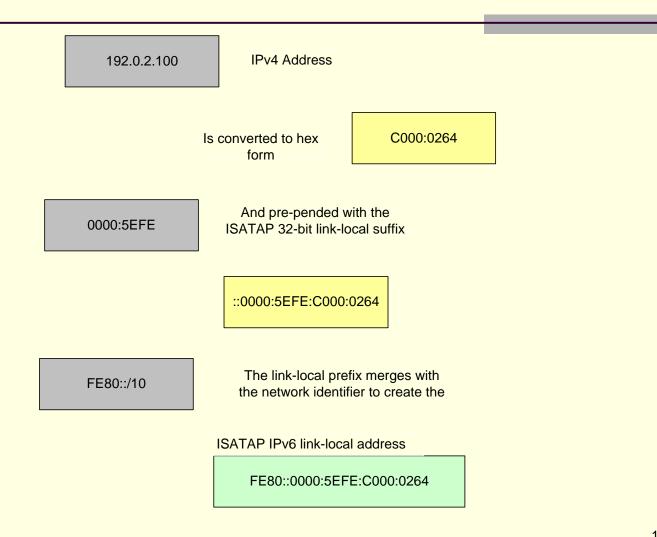


ISATAP (Intra-Site Automatic Tunneling Addressing Protocol) an automatic tunneling mechanism used inside an organization that has an IPv4-dominant backbone, but has selected users that need IPv6 capability

#### **ISATAP** Functions

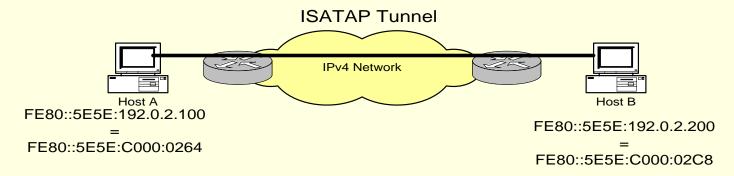
- ISATAP connects dual-stack nodes, isolated within an IPv4-only network
  - To exchange IPv6 traffic with each other (host ISATAP)
  - To exchange traffic with the global IPv6 Internet
- ISATAP is a mechanism with minimal configuration required
- ISATAP is ideal when there are relatively few, relatively scattered individual nodes that need service

## Link-Local ISATAP



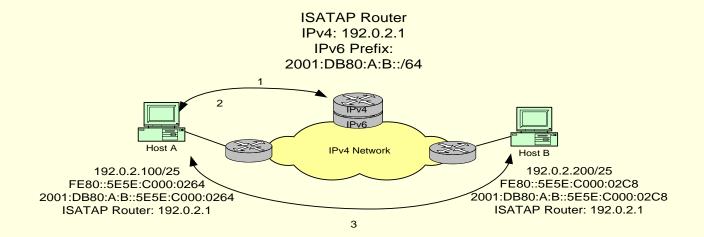
#### Link-local ISATAP example

- Two ISATAP hosts exchanging packets using linklocal addresses
- Only route on ISATAP hosts is "send all IPv6 traffic via ISATAP pseudo-IF"
- Hosts are many IPv4 hops away which appear linklocal to IPv6



#### Globally-routable ISATAP

- ISATAP more flexible when using an ISATAP router
- ISATAP hosts are configured with ISATAP router IPv4 address
- Hosts sends router solicitation, inside tunnel, and ISATAP router responds



# **ISATAP Summary**

- ISATAP scales better than manually configured tunnels inside the enterprise
- Decapsulate-from-anywhere issues (like 6to4) mitigated by internal deployment
- No authentication provided any dual stack node that knows ISATAP router address can obtain services
- May need to look at other alternatives if security is required

#### **Tunnel Broker**

Tunnel Brokers provide a semi-automated mechanism for building configured tunnels – often with advance features

## Tunnel Broker Operational Model

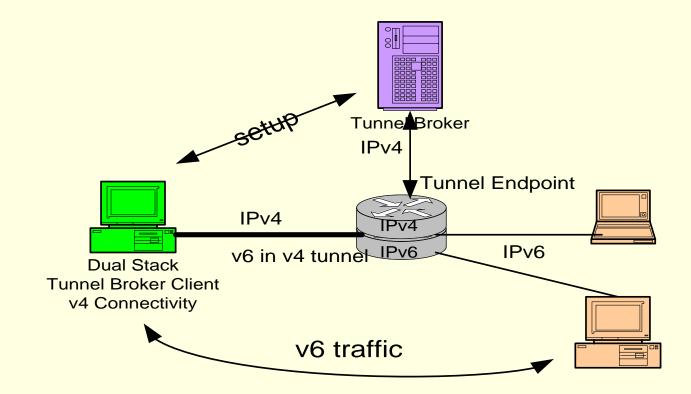
- Tunnel Broker (TB) provides a capability to easily configure an IPv6-in-IPv4 tunnel
- TB systems typically include a tunnel client, tunnel broker, and tunnel endpoints
- TB systems can be used on the Internet or inside the enterprise

#### **Product Example: Hexago**

http://www.hexago.com/docs/hexago-migration-broker-product-description-200310.pdf

#### Tunnel Broker on the Internet

Topology for Internet-based Tunnel Broker



#### Tunnel Broker in the Enterprise

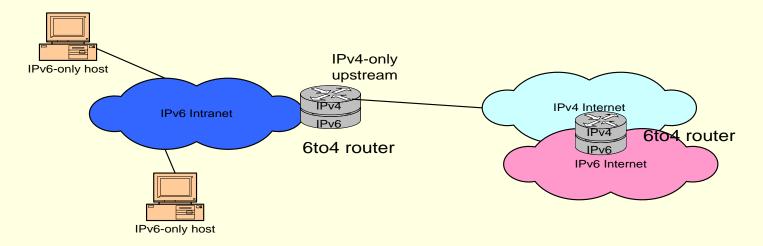
- TB is an effective solution for an organization's Intranet/Extranet
- Advantages over ISATAP:
  - Authentication
  - NAT Traversal
  - Stable IPv6 address
  - DNS registration
- ISATAP Advantage over TB:
  - Lower capital costs

#### IPv6 6to4 Transition Mechanism

6to4 is an automatic tunneling mechanism that provides v6 capability to a dual-stack node or v6-capable site that has only IPv4 connectivity to the site

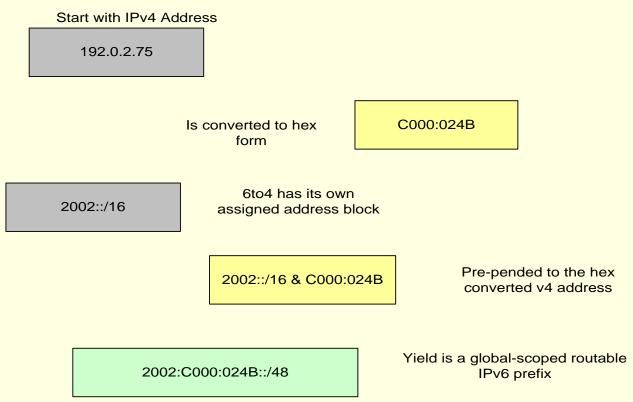
# 6to4 Basics

- 6to4 is an automatic tunnel mechanism
- Provides v6 upstream for v6-capable site over v4only Internet connection
- Uses embedded addressing (v4addr embedded in v6addr) as do other automatic mechanisms



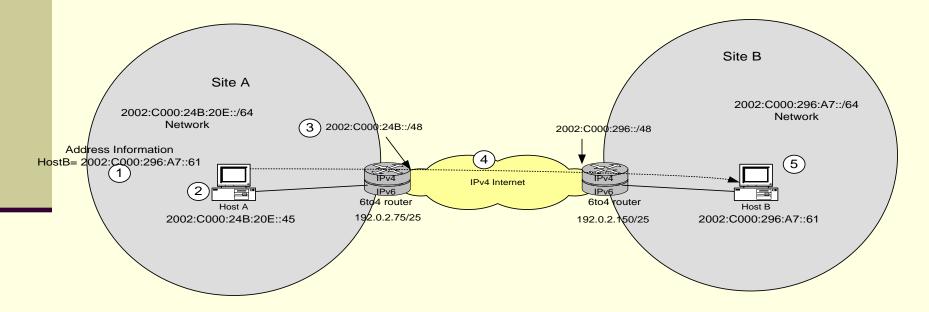
#### 6to4 Address Construction

6to4 setups a valid, unique /48 IPv6 prefix from the outside IPv4 address of the site router



#### 6to4 Site-to-Site Example

- 6to4 edge devices are called "6to4 site routers"
- IPv4-only between sites, full IPv6 within sites
- Host A packet tunneled through IPv4 network to destination 6to4 site

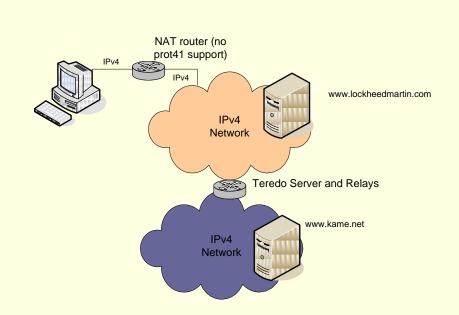


#### Teredo Transition Mechanism

Teredo (a.k.a. Shipworm) is a tunneling mechanism that allows nodes located behind NAT devices to obtain global IPv6 connectivity

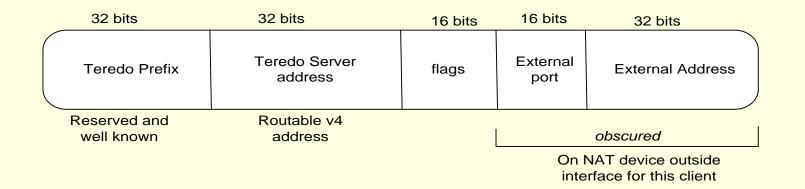
#### Teredo for Unmanaged Environments

- Teredo is needed for home users with PCs with non-routable addresses
- Protocol 41 tunneling not supported by many DSL modems
- Protocol 41 tunneling requires routable address on PC

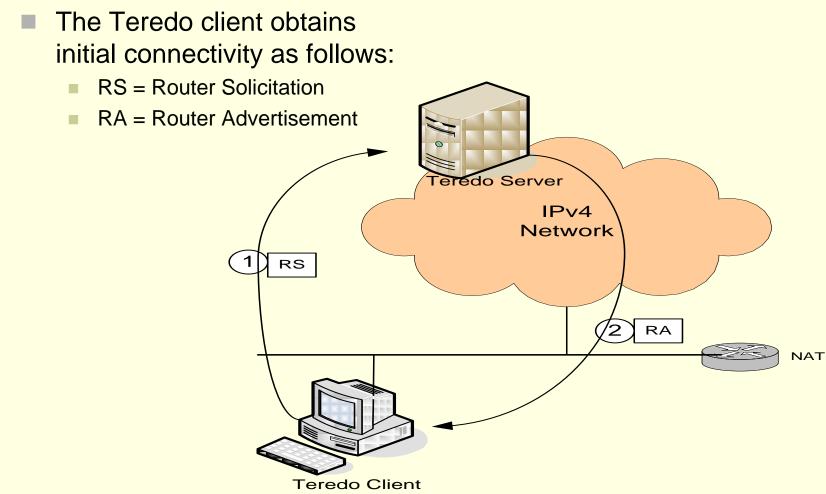


#### Teredo Address Construction

#### The Teredo client IPv6 address is formed as follows:

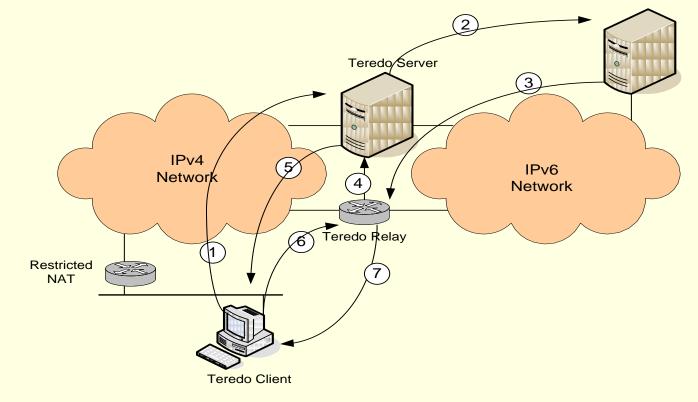


#### Teredo Bootstrap Process



#### Packet Flow to Native IPv6 Node

Teredo client sending IPv6 traffic to an IPv6-only v6Internet node



#### Teredo Summary

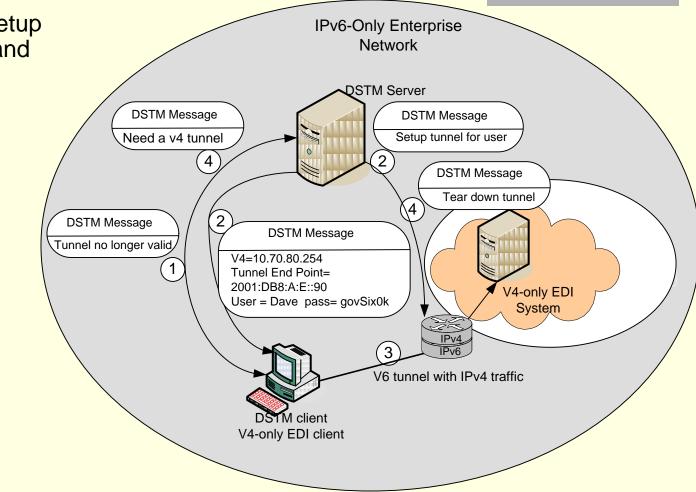
- Teredo is complex, so performance will suffer – may consider as last resort
- Several single points of failure in system
- Components target for DoS (Denial of Service) attacks with overwhelming packet ingress rates
- Teredo client "circumvents" weak security protections provided by IPv4 NAT device



- Dual Stack Transition Mechanism (DSTM) provides an IPv4-over-IPv6 tunnel capability,
- Includes a mechanism for the client to obtain temporary use of an IPv4 address
- Assures communication with IPv4 applications in an IPv6 dominant network

### **DSTM** Example

 DSTM setup on-demand tunnel



### **DSTM Summary**

- DSTM has affinity issue with TB and DHCPv4 Server
- DSTM may be better alternative to translation mechanisms

# **Translation Mechanisms**

- Other Mechanisms not presented in detail but listed for reference:
  - Network level translators
    - Stateless IP/ICMP Translation Algorithm (SIIT)(RFC 2765)
    - NAT-PT (RFC 2766)
    - Bump in the Stack (BIS) (RFC 2767)
  - Transport level translators
    - Transport Relay Translator (TRT) (RFC 3142)
  - Application level translators
    - Bump in the API (BIA)(RFC 3338)
    - SOCKS64 (RFC 3089)
    - Application Level Gateways (ALG)

### NAT-PT

Network Address Translation – Protocol Translation (NAT-PT) allows IPv4-only and IPv6-only nodes to communicate through an intermediate translator device

### NAT-PT Functions and Overview

- NAT-PT translates IP packets (header and payload) between v4 and v6 and manages IP sessions
- Several NAT-PT deployment scenarios exist
- Issues are similar as regular NAT
- V6 community suggest translation mechanism as last resort

# Mobile Environments

- Roaming nodes and networks
- Changing IP addresses
- Need for transition optimization
- Seamless connectivity
- Secured and reliable sessions

# Internet Control Messages

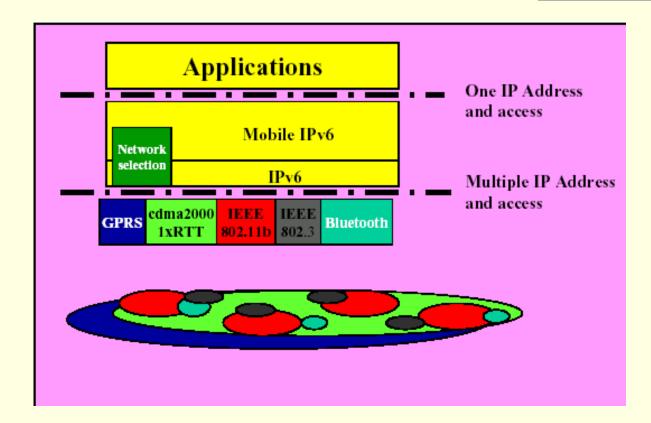
#### ICMPv4 vs. ICMPv6

- Management tasks (i.e. Discovery of transition methods)
- Gather all IP addresses within the network for the determination of transition mechanisms
- Error Messages

# Mobile IPv6

- All TCP/IP apps are unaware that nodes are moving and changing their point of attachment to the Internet
  - Only IP protocol and lower layers are aware of mobility
  - Higher protocol layers (e.g. TCP and UDP) and applications are not aware of mobility

## Mobile IPv6



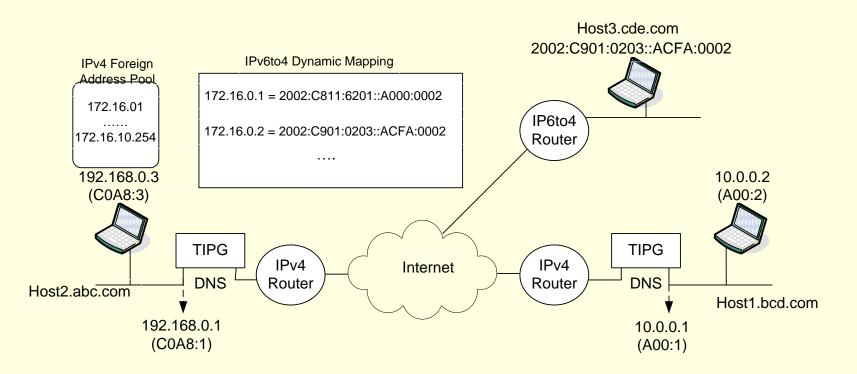
# Mobile IPv6

- Home Address is the primary IP address which is permanent and used for Identifications
- The Care-of-Address is the second IP address that is related to a foreign network, and that changes each time the host attaches to a different physical network (used for routing)
- A Mobile Host (MH) is allowed to roam to any IP network while other nodes connect using the original home address
- The binding of the two addresses are kept at the home agent (e.g. router)

# Transparent IPv6 (TIP6)

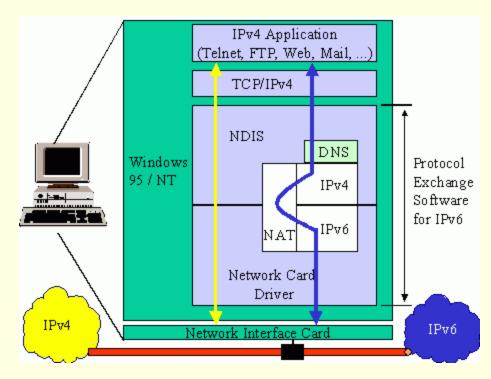
- Mechanism that provides benefits of IPv6 addressing while minimizing the changes in the existing IPv4 infrastructure
- Employed by Mobile IP wireless technologies without any software modification
- IPv4 host will be mapped to an IPv6 address
- TIP6 Gateway (TIPG) is key element
- IPv4 hosts require TIPG, default gw, and DNS

### TIP6 scenario



# Bump in the Stack (BIS)

A translator mechanism is triggered when the IPv4 application queries a DNS server that matches with an AAAA record and returns an IPv6 address \*



# DoCoMo's Mechanism

- Paper did not provide a name for the mechanism -- to support the roaming of an IPv6 host to a private IPv4 network
- Registration and communication method for mobile communications systems .....
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# Appendix A

- IETF International Engineering Task Force (<u>http://www.ietf.org</u>): organization that governs Internet Protocol standards from drafts to standards
- IAB Internet Architecture Board (<u>http://www.iab.org</u>): committee of IETF and advisory to ISOC. They provide architectural oversight of IETF activities
- ISOC Internet Society (<u>http://www.isoc.org</u>): provides leadership in addressing issues that confront the future of the Internet; home of Internet Infrastructure standards
- IANA Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (<u>http://www.iana.org</u>: preserves the central coordinating functions of the Internet (Regional Registries: ARIN, RIPE-NCC, APNIC, LACNIC, AfriNIC)
- ARIN American Registry for Internet Numbers (<u>http://www.arin.net</u>): develop policies for IP address allocations
- Global IPv6 Forum (<u>http://www.ipv6forum.com</u>): promote IPv6 development and deployment. They support est. 35 Task Force sub chapters mostly by country
- North American IPv6 Task Force (<u>http://www.nav6tf.org</u>): provide technical leadership and innovative thought for the successful integration of IPv6 into all facets of networking and telecommunications infrastructure
- IPv6 6Bone TestBed: <u>http://www.6bone.net/</u>

# Appendix B

The IPv6 Portal (no longer http://hs247.com)

- Microsoft Technet: <u>IPv6 Overview</u>
- Microsoft XP <u>IPv6 Install</u>
- HP/Compaq <u>IPv6 Website</u>
- IPv6 enablement at IBM
- Cisco <u>IPv6 Introduction</u>
- Sun <u>IPv6 Overview</u>
- Peter Bieringer Linux: IPv6
- C:\> ping6 ff02::1 (ping all local nodes using multicast address)

# Appendix C

#### Apple instructions: MAC OS X IPv6 man page

From IPv6 Portal:

To enable IPv6 on OS X follow these instructions:

- Open up a terminal. Type /sbin/ifconfig -a to list your devices. You should see something like:
- en0: flags=8863 mtu 1500

inető fe80::203:93ff:fe67:80b2%en0 prefixlen 64 scopeid 0x4 ether 00:03:93:67:80:b2

inet 192.168.1.101 netmask 0xfffff00 broadcast 192.168.1.255 media: autoselect (none) status: active

Find the one that says "status: active", usually this is en0. If it's not, be sure to replace en0 with whatever it is in later instructions. Type:

sudo ip6config start-v6 en0; sudo ip6config start-stf en0

### PR (Dikumpulkan: 13-10-2014)

- 1. Download RFC 1884 atau RFC 3515, kemudian buat resume 1 halaman A4.
- 2. Download RFC mengenai "IPv6 specifies AAAA records" pada setting Web Server, kemudian buat resume 1 halaman A4.
- 3. Jelaskan fragmentasi MTU, dan berikan contoh perhitungannya. (misalnya mengirim 1400 bytes, IP header 20 bytes, dibagi 3 fragmen, 8 bytes offset).