APNIC eLearning: IPv4 to IPv6 Transition

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Overview

- Transition Concept
- IPv4 to IPv6 Transition and Co-existence
- Dual-Stack Configuration
- Dual-Stack Challenges
- Tunneling Concept
- 6to4 and 6RD
- Transition Strategies





Transition overview

- How to get connectivity from an IPv6 host to the global IPv6 Internet?
 - Via native connectivity
 - Via IPv6-in-IPv4 tunnelling techniques
- IPv6-only deployments are rare
- Practical reality
 - Sites deploying IPv6 will not transit to IPv6-only, but transit to a state where they support both IPv4 and IPv6 (dual-stack)



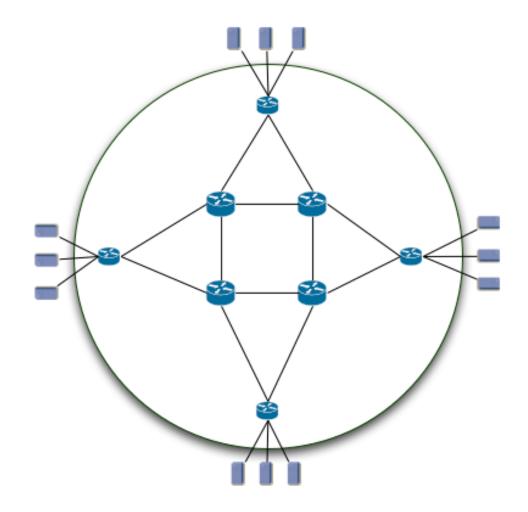


IETF Working Groups

- "v6ops"
 - Define the processes by which networks can be transitioned from IPv4 to IPv6
 - www.ietf.org/dyn/wg/charter/v6ops-charter.html
- "behave"
 - Designs solutions for the IPv4 to IPv6 translations scenarios
 - www.ietf.org/dyn/wg/charter/behave-charter.html
- "softwires"
 - Specifies the standardisation of discovery, control and encapsulation methods for connecting IPv4 networks across IPv6 networks and IPv6 networks across IPv4 networks in a way that will encourage multiple, inter-operable implementations
 - www.ietf.org/dyn/wg/charter/softwire-charter.html

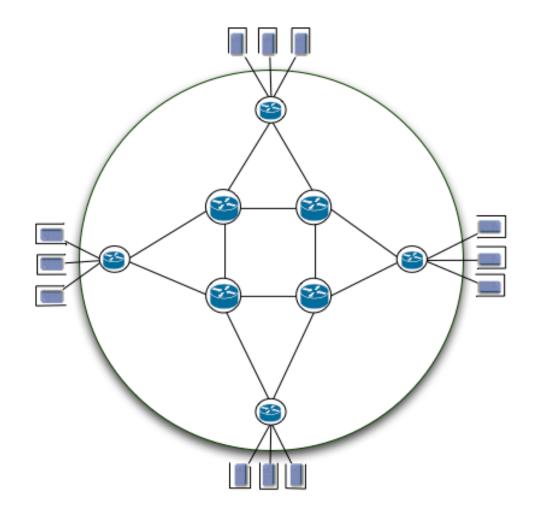






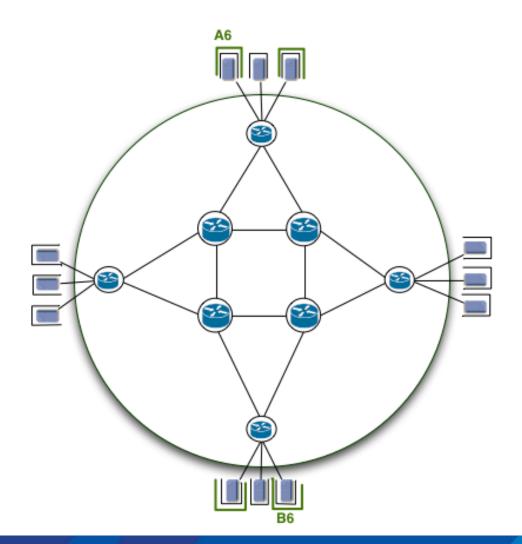






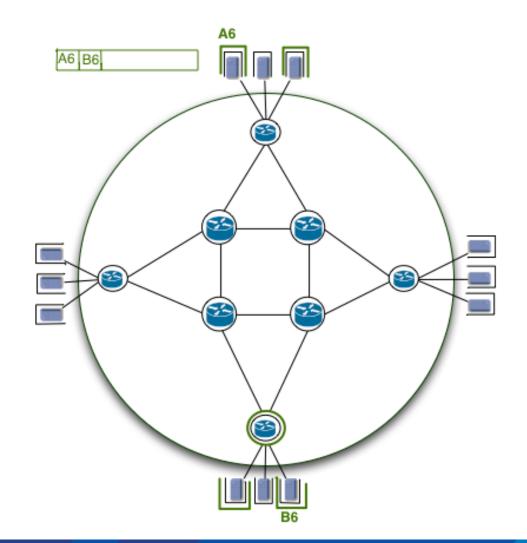






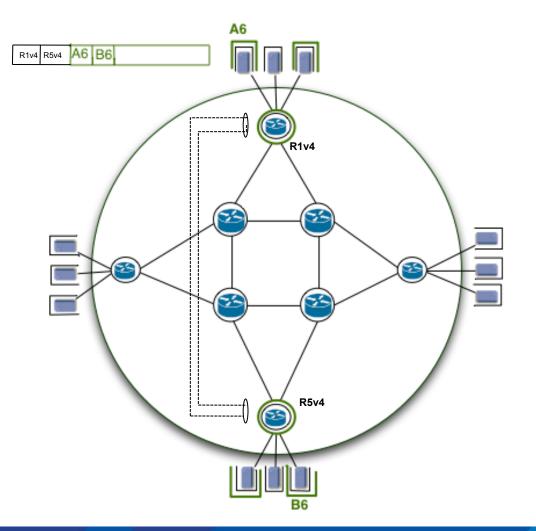






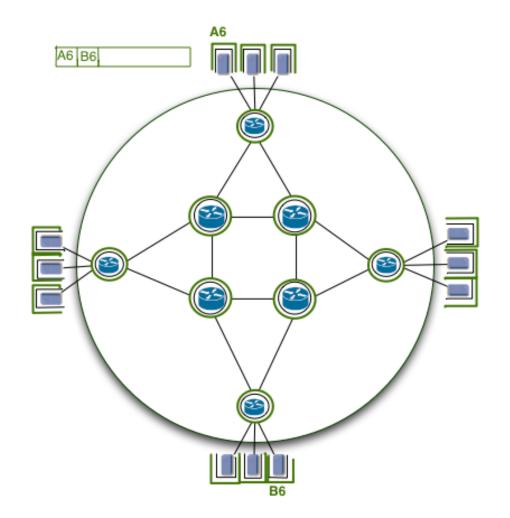
















IPv4 to IPv6 Transition

- Implementation rather than transition
 - No fixed day to convert
- The key to successful IPv6 transition
 - Maintaining compatibility with IPv4 hosts and routers while deploying IPv6
 - Millions of IPv4 nodes already exist
 - Upgrading every IPv4 nodes to IPv6 is not feasible
 - No need to convert all at once
 - Transition process will be gradual





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 order dependencies when upgrading hosts, routers, or regions
 - Translation techniques, to allow IPv6-only devices to communicate with IPv4-only devices
- Expect all of these to be used, in combination

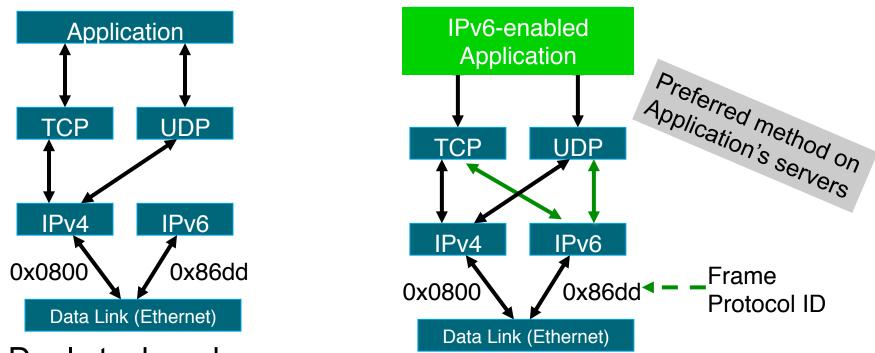




Dual Stack Approach



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- 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



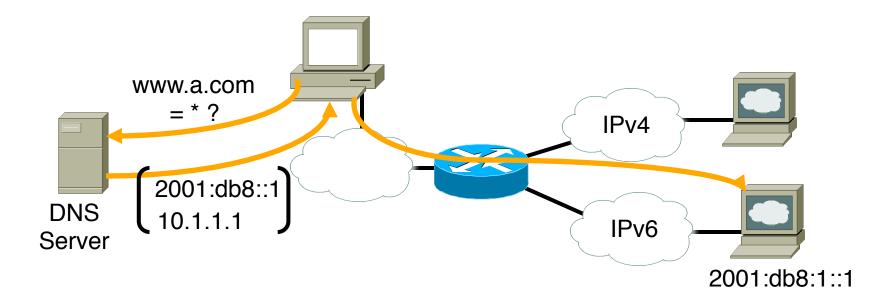
Dual Stack Challenges

- Compatible software
 - Eg. If you use OSPFv2 for your IPv4 network you need to run OSPFv3 in addition to OPSFv2
- Transparent availability of services
- Deployment of servers and services
- Content provision
- Business processes
- Traffic monitoring
- End user deployment





Dual Stack Approach & DNS

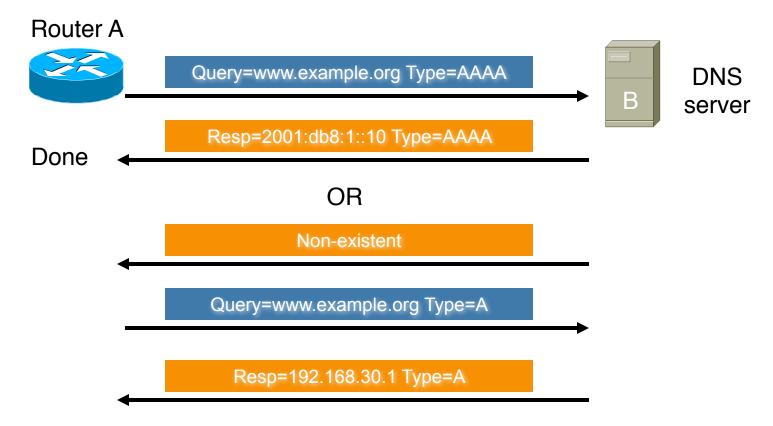


- In a dual stack case, an application that:
 - Is IPv4 and IPv6-enabled
 - Asks the DNS for all types of addresses
 - Chooses one address and, for example, connects to the IPv6 address





Example of DNS query

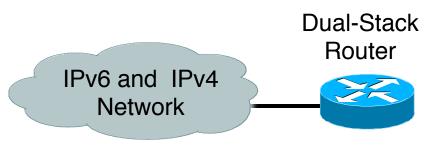


• DNS resolver picks IPv6 AAAA record first





A Dual Stack Configuration



ipv6 unicast-routing interface Ethernet0 ip address 192.168.99.1 255.255.255.0 ipv6 address 2001:db8:213:1::1/64

IPv4: 192.168.99.1

IPv6: 2001:db8:213:1::1/64

- IPv6-enabled router
 - If IPv4 and IPv6 are configured on one interface, the router is dualstacked

router#

- Telnet, Ping, Traceroute, SSH, DNS client, TFTP,...





Using Tunnels for IPv6 Deployment

- Many techniques are available to establish a tunnel:
 - Manually configured
 - Manual Tunnel (RFC 2893)
 - GRE (RFC 2473)
 - Semi-automated
 - Tunnel broker
 - Automatic
 - 6to4 (RFC 3056)
 - 6rd





Tunnels

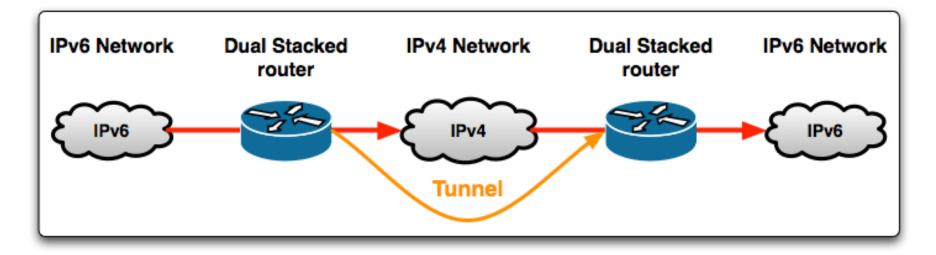
- Part of a network is IPv6 enabled
 - Tunnelling techniques are used on top of an existing IPv4 infrastructure and uses IPv4 to route the IPv6 packets between IPv6 networks by transporting these encapsulated in IPv4
 - Tunnelling is used by networks not yet capable of offering native IPv6 functionality
 - It is the main mechanism currently being deployed to create global IPv6 connectivity
- Manual, automatic, semi-automatic configured tunnels are available





Tunneling – General Concept

- Tunneling can be used by routers and hosts
 - Tunneling is a technique by which one transport protocol is encapsulated as the payload of another.

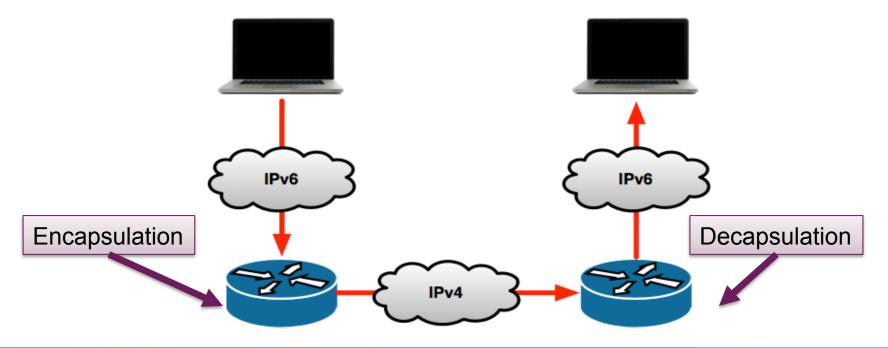






Tunneling – General Concept

- Two stepped process
 - Encapsulation of IPv6 packets to IPv4 packets
 - Decapsulation of IPv4 packets to IPv6 packets

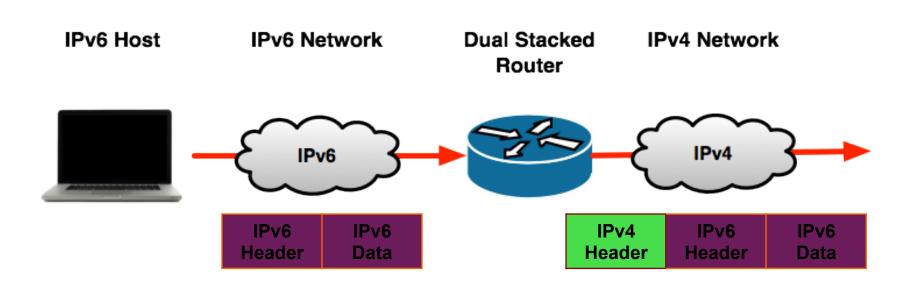






Tunnel Encapsulation

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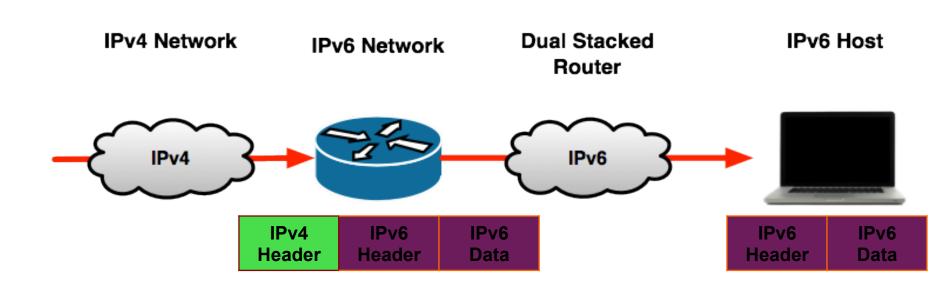


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Tunnel Decapsulation

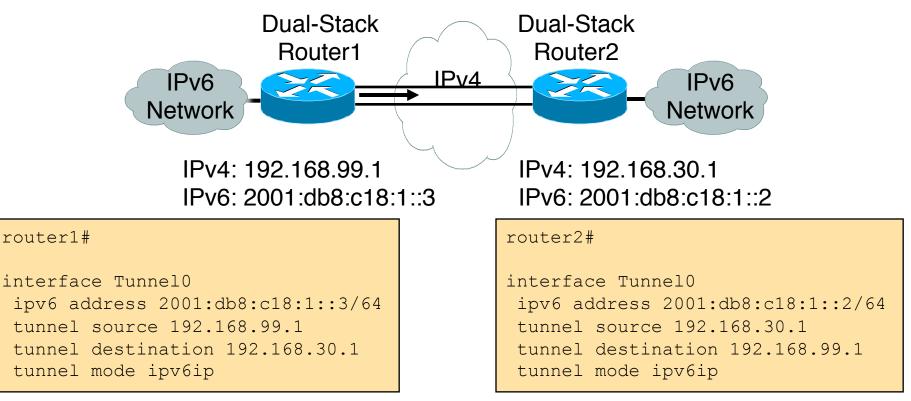
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Manually Configured Tunnel (RFC4213)

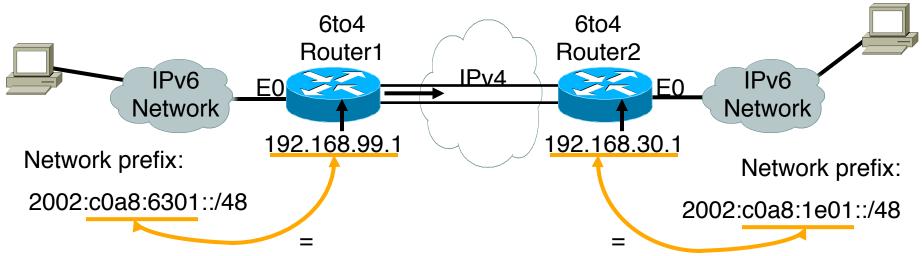


- Manually Configured tunnels require:
 - Dual stack end points
 - Both IPv4 and IPv6 addresses configured at each end





6to4 Tunnel (RFC 3056)



- 6to4 Tunnel:
 - Is an automatic tunnel method
 - Gives a prefix to the attached IPv6 network
 - 2002::/16 assigned to 6to4
 - Requires one global IPv4 address on each Ingress/Egress site

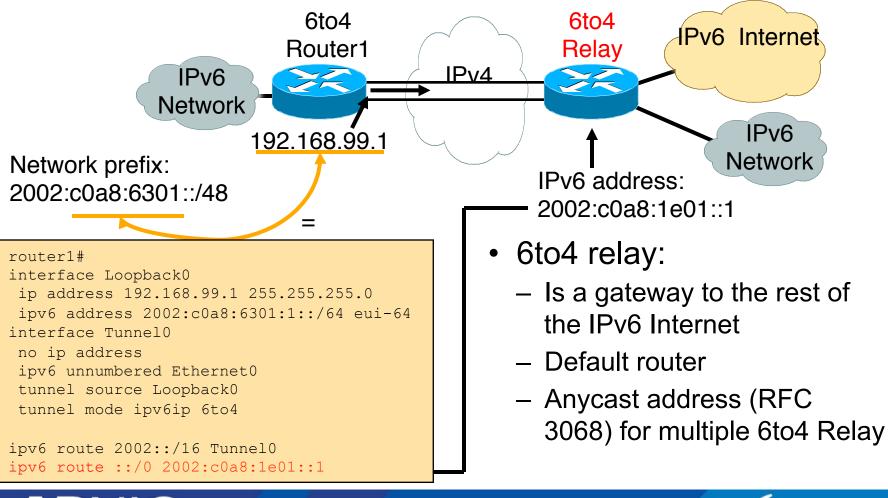
router2#

interface Loopback0 ip address 192.168.30.1 255.255.255.0 ipv6 address 2002:c0a8:1e01:1::/64 eui-64 interface Tunnel0 no ip address ipv6 unnumbered Ethernet0 tunnel source Loopback0 tunnel mode ipv6ip 6to4

ipv6 route 2002::/16 Tunnel0



6to4 Relay





6to4 in the Internet

- 6to4 prefix is 2002::/16
- 192.88.99.0/24 is the IPv4 anycast network for 6to4 routers
- 6to4 relay service
 - An ISP who provides a facility to provide connectivity over the IPv4 Internet between IPv6 islands
 - Is connected to the IPv6 Internet and announces 2002::/16 by BGP to the IPv6 Internet
 - Is connected to the IPv4 Internet and announces 192.88.99.0/24 by BGP to the IPv4 Internet
 - Their router is configured with local IPv4 address of 192.88.99.1 and local IPv6 address of 2002:c058:6301::1





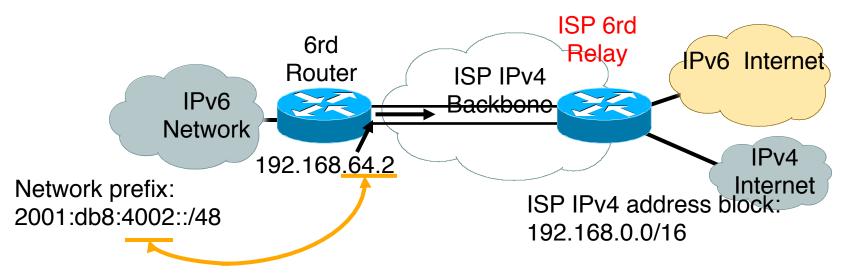
6to4 in the Internet Relay Router Configuration

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interface loopback0
                                         1
 ip address 192.88.99.1
                                         router bqp 100
  255.255.255.255
                                          address-family ipv4
 ipv6 address 2002:c058:6301::1/128
                                           neighbor <v4-transit> remote-as 101
!
                                           network 192.88.99.0 mask
interface tunnel 2002
                                           255.255.255.0.
                                          address-family ipv6
no ip address
                                           neighbor <v6-transit> remote-as 102
 ipv6 unnumbered Loopback0
                                           network 2002::/16
tunnel source Loopback0
tunnel mode ipv6ip 6to4
                                         !
tunnel path-mtu-discovery
                                         ip route 192.88.99.0 255.255.255.0
                                           nullo 254
!
                                         ipv6 route 2002::/16 tunnel2002
interface FastEthernet0/0
 ip address 105.3.37.1 255.255.255.0
 ipv6 address 2001:db8::1/64
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6rd Tunnel

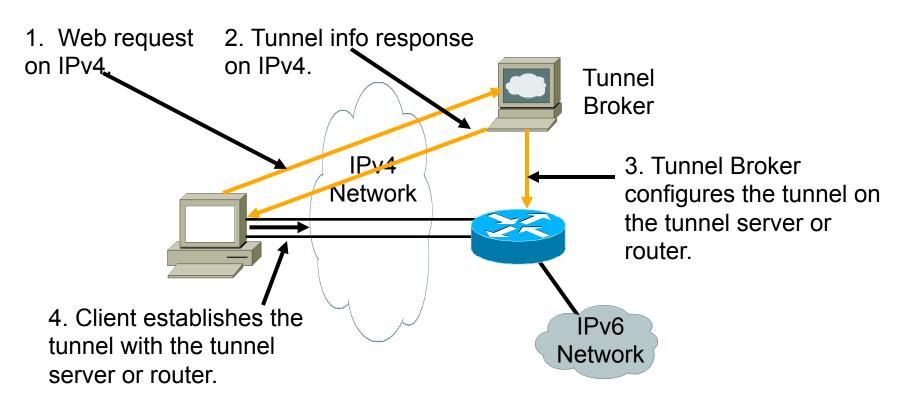


- 6rd (example):
 - ISP has 192.168.0.0/16 IPv4 address block
 - ISP has 2001:db8::/32 IPv6 address block
 - Final 16 bits of IPv4 address used on customer point-to-point link to create customer /48 → customer uses 2001:db8:4002::/48 address space
 - IPv6 tunnel to ISP 6rd relay bypasses infrastructure which cannot handle IPv6





Tunnel Broker



• Tunnel broker:

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- Tunnel information is sent via http-ipv4



Transition Strategies

- Do nothing
 - Wait for IPv4 to run out
- Extend the life of the IPv4 network
 - Use Network Address Translation (NAT)
 - Customers and SP infrastructure moved to RFC 1918 address space (private addreses)
 - Acquire more IPv4 addresses
- IPv4/IPv6 Coexistence
 - Dual stack network
 - 6rd (rapid deploy)
 - Large Scale NATs (LSN) NAT444, Dual-Stack Lite, NAT64, IVI





Transition Technology Terms

- Dual-stack
 - when IPv4 and IPv6 are fully deployed on the infrastructure
- IP in IP Tunnels
 - Mechanism whereby an IP packet from one address family is encapsulated in an IP packet
 - Ex. IPinIP, GRE, 6to4, Teredo, ISATAP, 6rd
- Address Family Translation (AFT)
 - Translation of IP address from one address family into another address family
 - Ex: NAT64, NAT46
- Network Address Translation (NAT)
 - Translation of IP address into another IP address (within the same address family)
 - Ex: NAPT, NAT-PT
- Carrier-Grade NAT (CGN)
 - ISP version of a subscriber NAT





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 - <survey-link>
- Slide handouts will be available after completing the survey







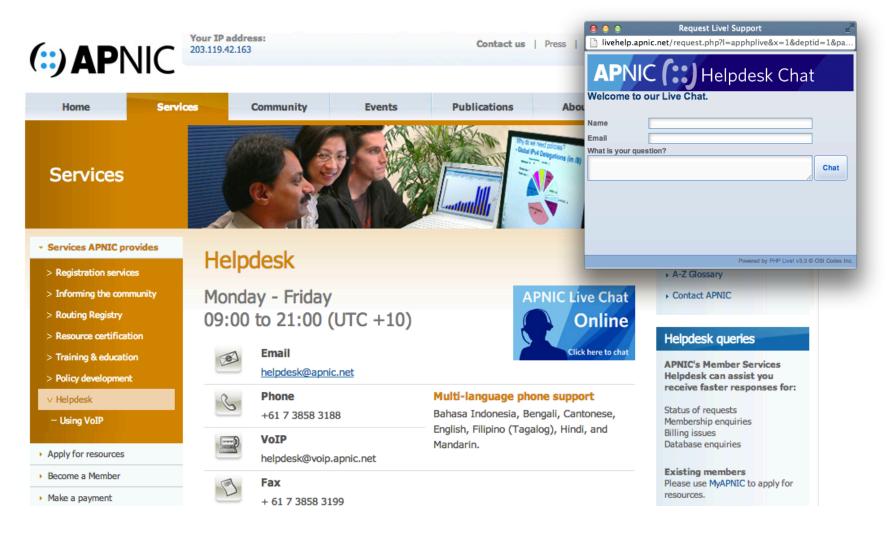
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