IPv6 Technology Overview Tutorial- Part I



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Acronyms/Abbreviations

- DOCSIS = Data-Over-Cable Service Interface Specification
- CMTS = Cable Modem Termination System
- DS = Downstream
- US = Upstream
- CM = Cable Modem
- IPv6 = Internet Protocol version 6
- ICMPv6 = Internet Control Message Protocol version 6
- DHCPv6 = Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol for IPv6
- MSO = Multiple Services Operator
- SMB = Small Business
- PDA = Personal Digital Assistant
- NAT = Network Address Translation
- CIDR = Classless Interdomain Routing
- DAD = Duplicate Address Detection
- SLA = Subnet Level Address
- VPN = Virtual Private Network
- ARP = Address Resolution Protocol
- eSAFE = Embedded Service/Application Functional Entity

- RS = Router Solicitation
- RA = Router Advertisement
- UDP = User Datagram Protocol
- DUID = DHCP Unique Identifier
- DNS = Domain Name System
- CPE = Customer Premises Equipment
- ND = Neighbor Discovery
- NS = Neighbor Solicitation
- HFC = Hybrid Fiber Coaxial
- EUI = Extended Unique Identifier
- TFTP = Trivial File Transfer Protocol
- ToD = Time of Day
- MDD = Mac Domain Descriptor
- APM = Alternative Provisioning Mode
- SNMP = Simple Network Management Protocol
- ASM = Anysource Multicast
- SSM = Source Specific Multicast
- SLAAC = Stateless Addres Autoconfiguration
- MLD = Multicast Listener Discovery

Tutorial-1: Agenda

- Structure of IPv6 Protocol
 - ➤IPv4 and IPv6 Header Comparison
 - ➤IPv6 Extension Headers
- IPv6 Addressing

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Router Solicitation & Advertisement

Neighbor Solicitation & Advertisement

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- Multicast in IPv6
- DHCP & DNS for IPv6
 - >DNS with IPv6
 - ➤ DHCPv6 Overview

Tutorial-2: Agenda

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 - >OSPFv3
 - ➤BGP-4 Extensions for IPv6
 - ➤ Multi-Topology IS-IS
- Tunneling
 - >Automatic 6 to 4 Tunnels
 - **≻ISATAP**
- IPv6 for DOCSIS Overview
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The Structure of IPv6 Protocol



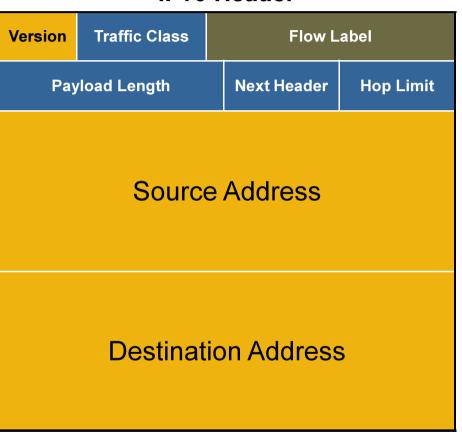
IPv4 and **IPv6** Header Comparison

IPv4 Header

Type of Version IHL **Total Length** Service **Fragment** Identification Flags Offset Time to Live **Protocol Header Checksum** Source Address **Destination Address Options Padding**

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

IPv6 Header

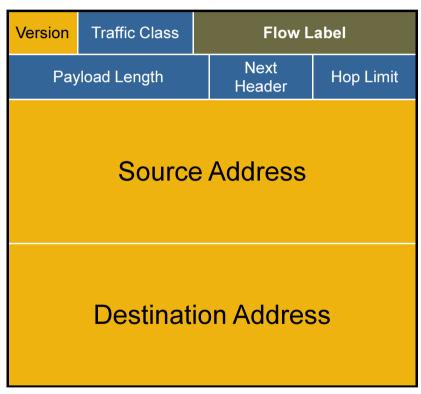


IPv6 Header New Field—Flow Label (RFC 3697)

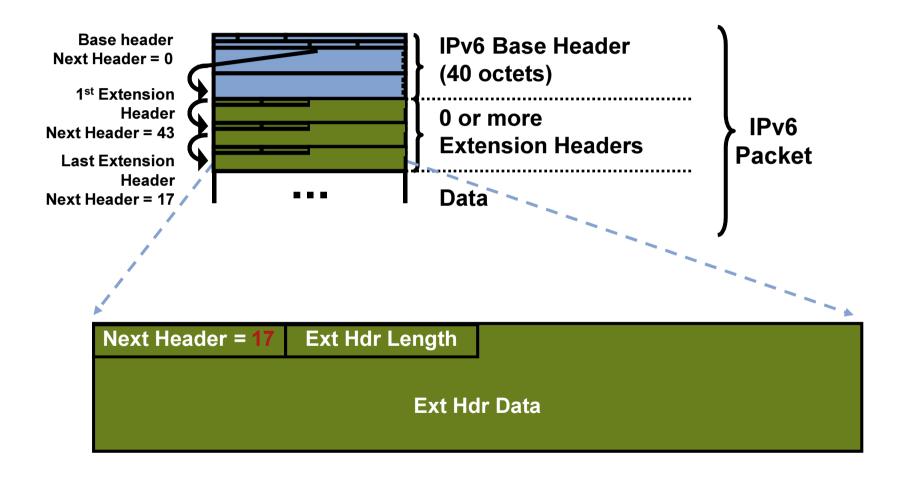
20-Bit Flow Label Field to Identify Specific Flows Needing Special QoS

- Flow classifiers had been based on 5-tuple: Source/destination address, protocol type and port numbers of transport
- Some of these fields may be unavailable due to fragmentation, encryption or locating them past extension headers
- With flow label, each source chooses its own flow label values; routers use source addr + flow label to identify distinct flows
- Flow label value of 0 used when no special QoS requested (the common case today)

IPv6 Header



Extension Headers



Extension Header Order

Extension Headers Should Be Constructed in the Following Sequence and Should Be Sequenced in this Order:

Hop-by-Hop header	(0)
Destination options header (w/ routing header)	(60)
Routing header	(43)
Fragment header	(44)
Authentication header	(51)
ESP header	(50)
Mobility header	(135)
Destination options header	(60)
ICMPv6	(58)
No Next header	(59)
Upper-layer header	(Varies— TCP=6, UDP=17)

MTU Issues

 Minimum link MTU for IPv6 is 1280 octets (vs. 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 2³² octets of payload; payload is normally 2¹⁶

IPv6 Addressing



IPv6 Addressing

IPv4 32-bits

IPv6 128-bits

$$2^{32}$$
 = 4,294,967,296
 2^{128} = 340,282,366,920,938,463,463,374,607,431,768,211,456
 2^{128} = $2^{32} \cdot 2^{96}$
 2^{96} = 79,228,162,514,264,337,593,543,950,336 times the number of possible IPv4 Addresses (79 trillion)

IPv6 Addressing



World's population is approximately 6.5 billion



Typical brain has ~100 billion brain cells (your count may vary)

52 Trillion Trillion
100 Billion

523 Quadrillion (523 thousand trillion) IPv6 addresses for every human brain cell on the planet!

Addressing Format

Representation

- 16-bit hexadecimal numbers
- Numbers are separated by (:)
- Hex numbers are not case sensitive
- Abbreviations are possible

Leading zeros in contiguous block could be represented by (::)

Example:

2001:0db8:0000:130F:0000:0000:087C:140B

2001:0db8:0:130F::87C:140B

Double colon only appears once in the address

Addressing

Prefix Representation

- Representation of prefix is just like CIDR
- In this representation you attach the prefix length
- Like v4 address:

198.10.0.0/16

V6 address is represented the same way:

2001:db8:12::/48

Only leading zeros are omitted. Trailing zeros are not omitted

2001:0db8:0012::/48 = 2001:db8:12::/48

2001:db8:**1200**::/48 ≠ 2001:db8:12::/48

IPv6 Address Representation

Loopback address representation

0:0:0:0:0:0:0:1=> ::1

Same as 127.0.0.1 in IPv4

Identifies self

Unspecified address representation

0:0:0:0:0:0:0:0=> ::

Used as a placeholder when no address available (Initial DHCP request, Duplicate Address Detection DAD)

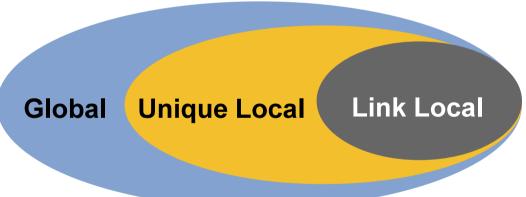
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IPv6—Addressing Model

- Addresses are assigned to interfaces Change from IPv4 mode:
- Interface "expected" to have multiple addresses
- Addresses have scope

 Link Local
 Unique Local
 Global

Addresses have lifetime
 Valid and preferred lifetime



Addressing

Some Special Addresses

Туре	Binary	Hex
Aggregatable Global Unicast Address	001	2 or 3
Link Local Unicast Address	1111 1110 10	FE80::/10
Unique Local Unicast Address	1111 1100 1111 1101	FC00::/7 FC00::/8(registry) FD00::/8 (no registry)
Multicast Address	1111 1111	FF00::/8

Types of IPv6 Addresses

Unicast

Address of a single interface. One-to-one delivery to single interface

Multicast

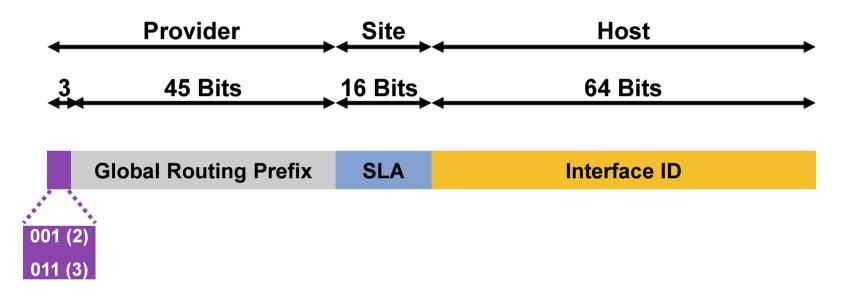
Address of a set of interfaces. One-to-many delivery to all interfaces in the set

Anycast

Address of a set of interfaces. One-to-one-of-many delivery to a single interface in the set that is closest

No more broadcast addresses

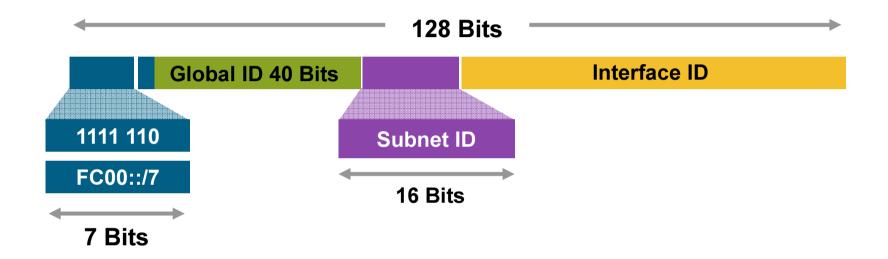
Global Unicast Addresses



Global Unicast Addresses Are:

- Addresses for generic use of IPv6
- Structured as a hierarchy to keep the aggregation

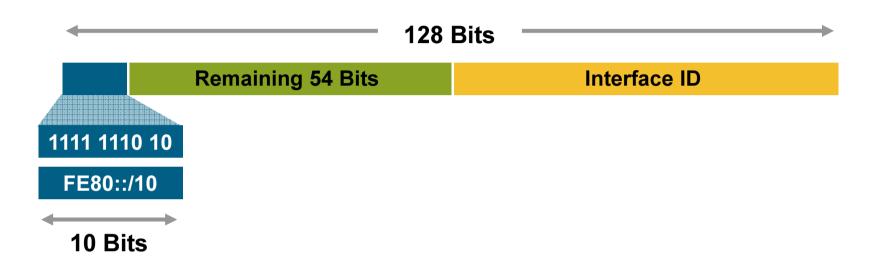
Unique-Local



Unique-Local Addresses Used for:

- Local communications
- Inter-site VPNs
- Not routable on the Internet

Link-Local



Link-Local Addresses Used for:

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

IPv6 Multicast Address

IP multicast address has a prefix FF00::/8
 (1111 1111); 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

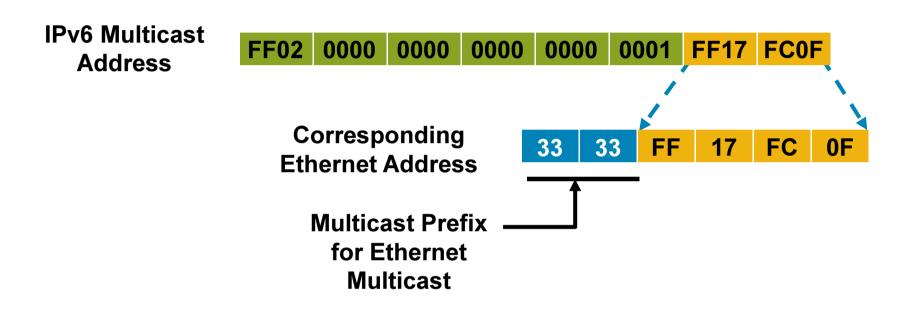
Scope	
1	Node
2	Link
5	Site
8	Organization
Е	Global

Some Well Known Multicast Addresses

Address	Scope	Meaning
FF01::1	Node-Local	All Nodes
FF02::1	Link-Local	All Nodes
FF01::2	Node-Local	All Routers
FF02::2	Link-Local	All Routers
FF05::2	Site-Local	All Routers
FF02::1:FFXX:XXXX	Link-Local	Solicited-Node

- Note that 02 means that this is a permanent address and has link scope
- More details at http://www.iana.org/assignments/ipv6-multicast-addresses

Multicast Mapping over Ethernet

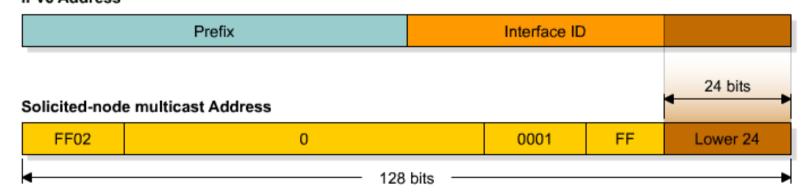


 Mapping of IPv6 multicast address to Ethernet address is:

33:33:<last 32 bits of the IPv6 multicast address>

Solicited-Node Multicast Address

- For each unicast and anycast address configured there is a corresponding solicited-node multicast
- This is specially used for two purpose, for the replacement of ARP, and DAD
- Used in neighbor solicitation messages
- Multicast address with a link-local scope
- Solicited-node multicast consists of prefix + lower 24 bits from unicast, FF02::1:FF:



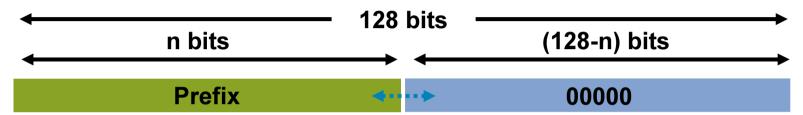
Anycast

Anycast Address Assignment

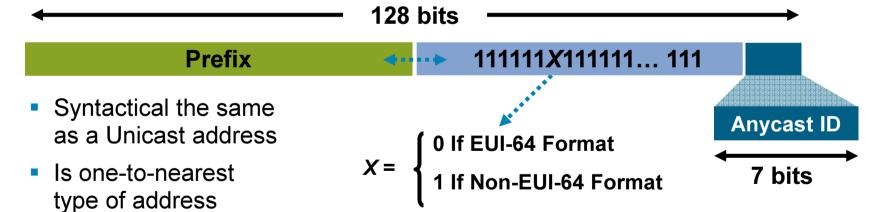
- Anycast allows a source node to transmit IP datagrams to a single destination node out of a group destination nodes with same subnet id based on the routing metrics
- Only routers should respond to anycast addresses
- Routers along the path to the destination just process the packets based on network prefix
- Routers configured to respond to anycast packets will do so when they receive a packet send to the anycast address

Anycast Address

Subnet Router Anycast Address (RFC 4291)



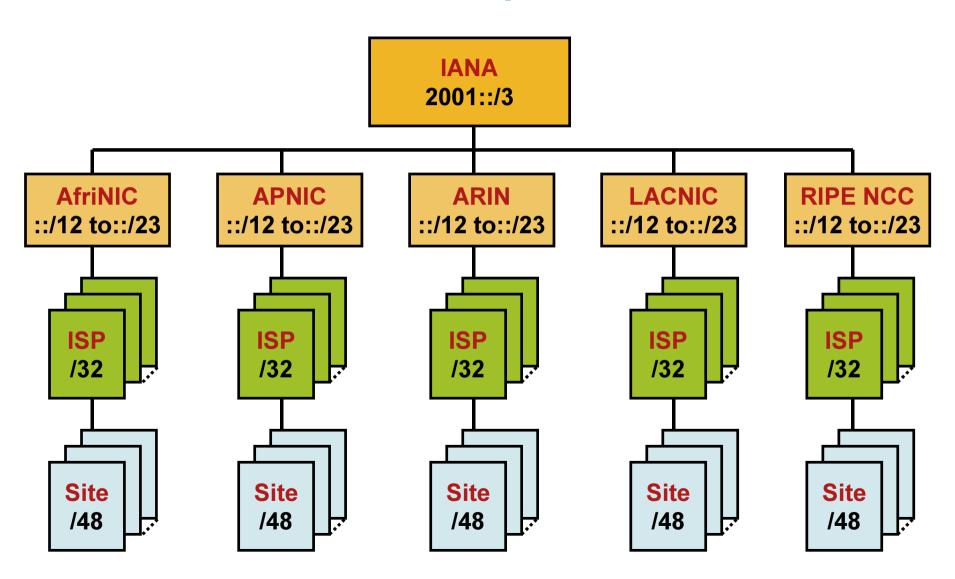
Reserved Subnet Anycast Address (RFC 2526)



Has a current limited use

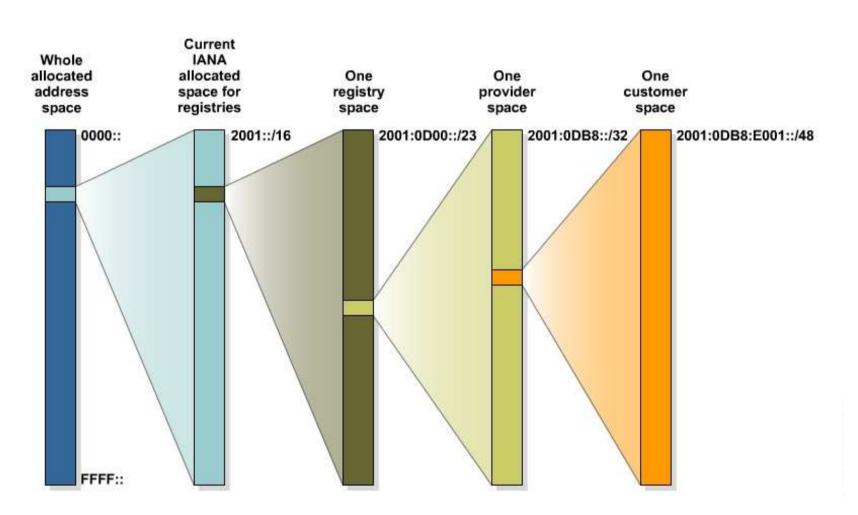
Use Example: Mobile IPv6
 Home-Agent Anycast Address

IPv6 Prefix Allocation Hierarchy and Policy Example



IPv6 Address Allocation Process

Partition of Allocated IPv6 Address Space



IPv6 Address Allocation Process

Partition of Allocated IPv6 Address Space (Cont.)

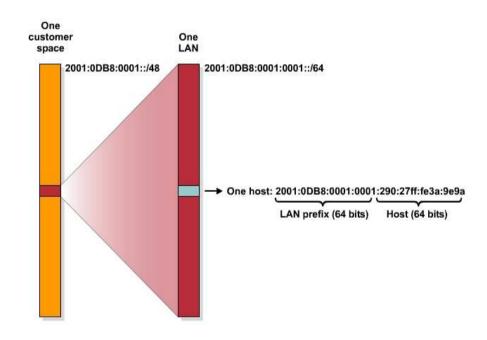
 Lowest-Order 64-bit field of unicast address may be assigned in several different ways:

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)

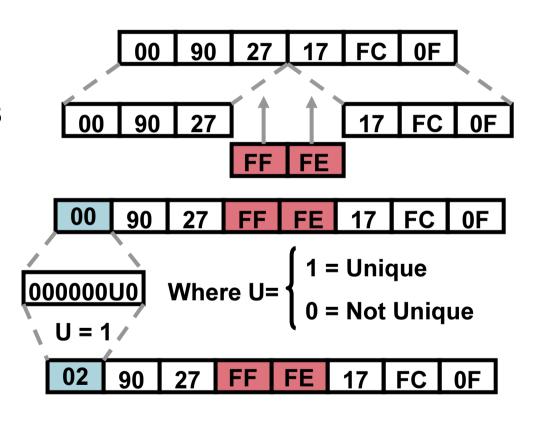
Assigned via DHCP

Manually configured



IPv6 Interface Identifier

- Cisco uses the EUI-64 format to do stateless auto-configuration
- This format expands the 48 bit MAC address to 64 bits by inserting FFFE into the middle 16 bits
- To make sure that the chosen address is from a unique Ethernet MAC address, the universal/ local ("u" bit) is set to 1 for global scope and 0 for local scope



ICMPv6 and Neighbor Discovery



ICMPv6

- Internet Control Message Protocol version 6
- RFC 2463
- Modification of ICMP from IPv4
- Message types are similar (but different types/codes)

Destination unreachable (type 1)

Packet too big (type 2)

Time exceeded (type 3)

Parameter problem (type 4)

Echo request/reply (type 128 and 129)

ICMPv6 Message Fields

- Type—identifies the message or action needed
- Code—is a type-specific sub-identifier. For example, Destination Unreachable can mean no route, port unreachable, administratively prohibited, etc.
- Checksum—computed over the entire ICMPv6 message and prepended with a pseudo-header containing a single-octet
- Next Header in ipv6 will have a value of 58 for icmp

Neighbor Discovery

- Replaces ARP, ICMP (redirects, router discovery)
- Reachability of neighbors
- Hosts use it to discover routers, auto configuration of addresses
- Duplicate Address Detection (DAD)

Neighbor Discovery: Contd...

- Neighbor discovery uses ICMPv6 messages, originated from node on link local with hop limit of 255
- Consists of IPv6 header, ICMPv6 header, neighbor discovery header, and neighbor discovery options
- Five neighbor discovery messages
 - 1. Router solicitation (ICMPv6 type 133)
 - 2. Router advertisement (ICMPv6 type 134)
 - 3. Neighbor solicitation (ICMPv6 type 135)
 - 4. Neighbor advertisement (ICMPv6 type 136)
 - 5. Redirect (ICMPV6 type 137)

Router Solicitation and Advertisement



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1—ICMP Type = 133 (RS)

2—ICMP Type = 134 (RA)

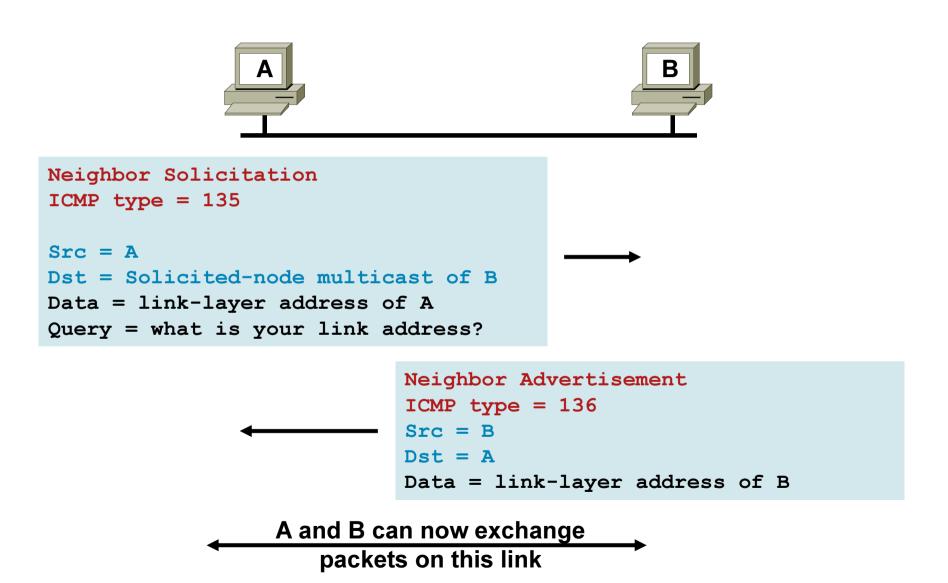
Src = link-local address (FE80::1/10)

Dst = all-routers multicast address
(FF02::2)

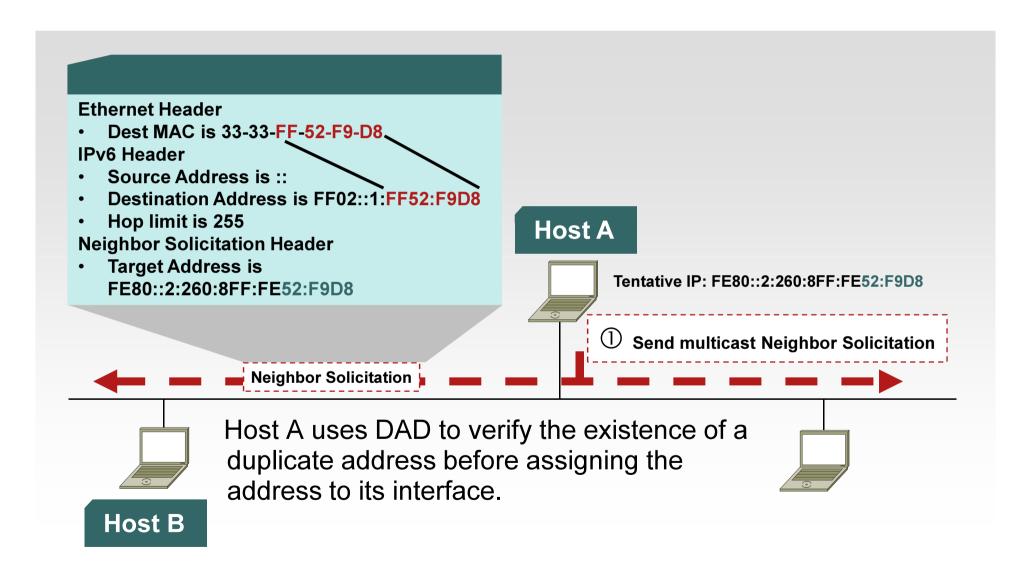
Data = options, subnet prefix, lifetime, autoconfig flag
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- Router solicitations (RS) are sent by booting nodes to request RAs for configuring the interfaces
- Routers send periodic Router Advertisements (RA) to the all-nodes multicast address

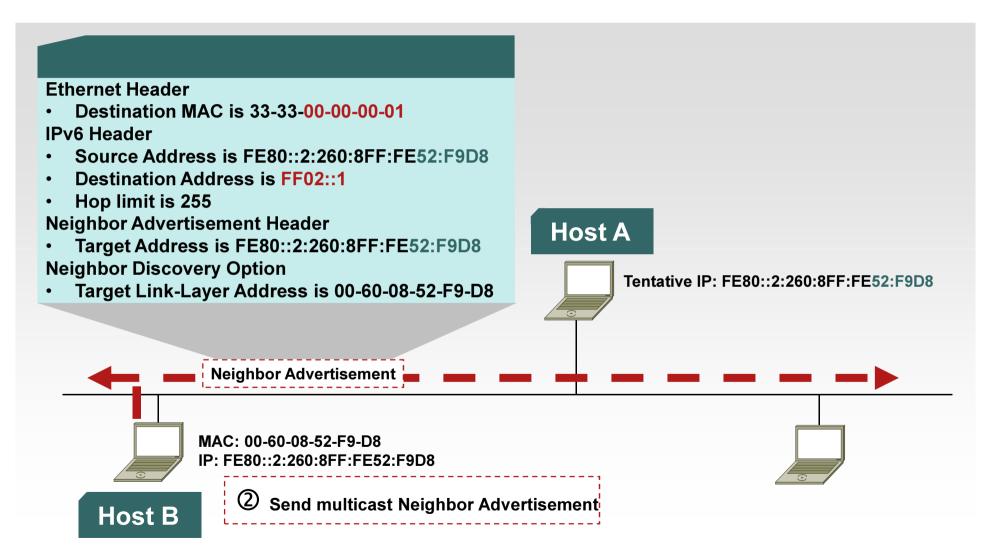
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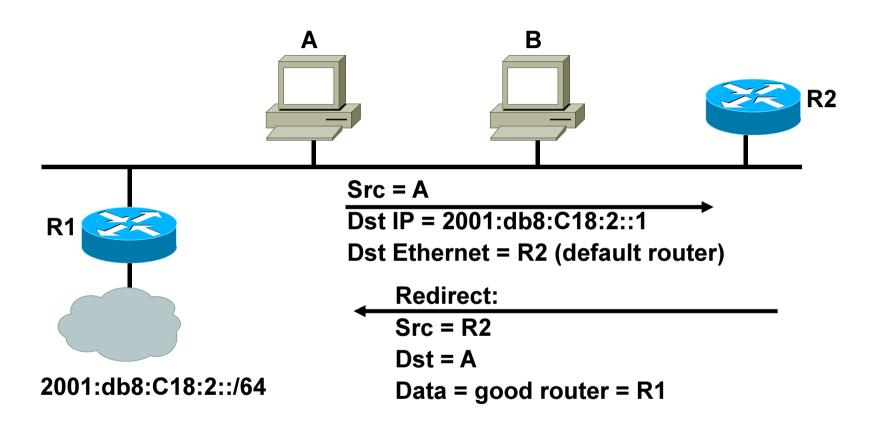
Multicast Neighbor Solicitation – for Duplicate Address Detection (DAD)



Multicast Neighbor Advertisement (Response)

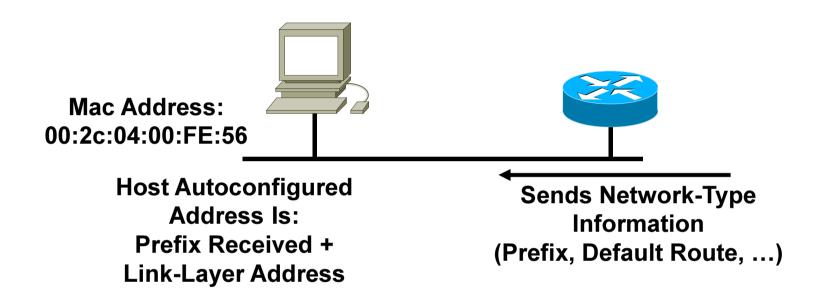


Redirect



 Redirect is used by a router to signal the reroute of a packet to a better router

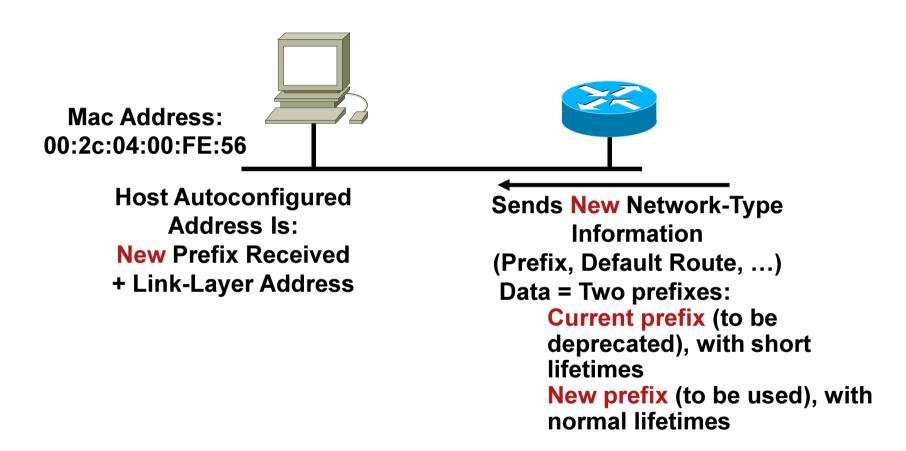
Autoconfiguration



Larger Address Space Enables:

- The use of link-layer addresses inside the address space
- Autoconfiguration with "no collisions"
- Offers "plug and play"

Renumbering



Larger Address Space Enables:

Renumbering, using autoconfiguration and multiple addresses

Renumbering (Cont.)

Router Configuration after Renumbering:

```
interface Ethernet0
ipv6 nd prefix 2001:db8:c18:1::/64  43200 0
ipv6 nd prefix 2001:db8:c18:2::/64  43200  43200
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or:

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interface Ethernet0
  ipv6 nd prefix 2001:db8:c18:1::/64 at Jul 31 2008 23:59 Jul 20 2008 23:59
  ipv6 nd prefix 2001:db8:c18:2::/64 43200 43200
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New Network Prefix: 2001:db8:c18:2::/64

Deprecated Prefix: 2001:db8:c18:1::/64



Router Advertisements



Autoconfiguring IPv6 Hosts

Host Configuration:

deprecated address 2001:db8:c18:1:260:8ff:fede:8fbe preferred address 2001:db8:c18:2:260:8ff:fede:8fbe

IPv6 Multicast Service Models

 ASM – Any Source Multicast (Traditionally just called PIM-SM)

Service description: RFC1112 (no update for IPv6 done yet)
MLDv1 RFC2710 or MLDv2 draft-vida-mld-v2-xx.txt
PIM-Sparse Mode (PIM-SM) draft-ietf-pim-sm-v2-new-xx.txt
Bidirectional PIM (PIM-bidir) draft-ietf-pim-bidir-xx.txt

SSM – Source Specific Multicast

Service description (IPv4/IPv6): draft-ietf-ssm-overview-xx.txt MLDv2 required

PIM-SSM – not a separate protocol, just a subset of PIM-SM!

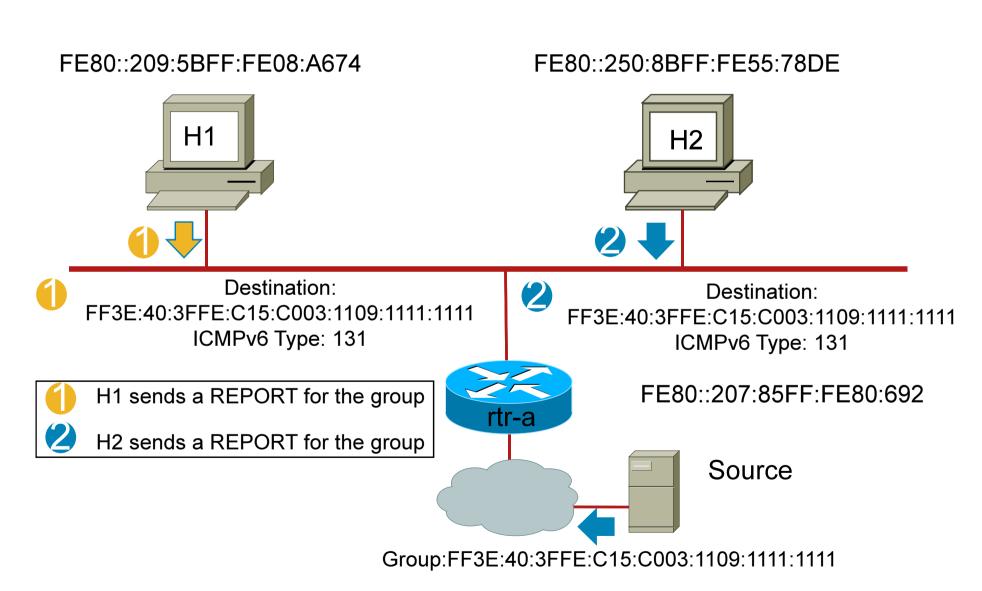
Unicast prefix based multicast addresses ff30::/12

SSM range is ff3X::/32, current allocation is from ff3X::/96

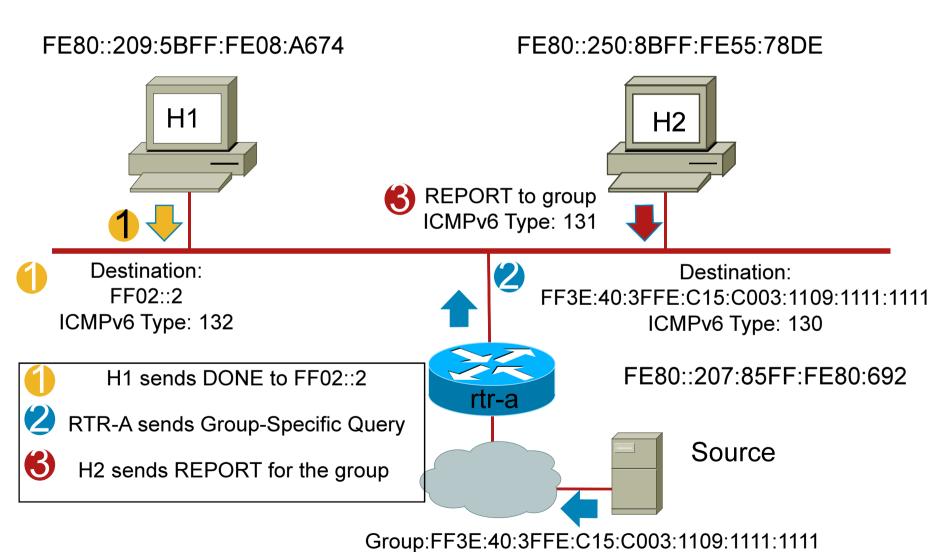
Multicast Listener Discover – MLD

- Equivalent to IGMP in IPv4
- Messages are transported over ICMPv6
- Uses link local source addresses
- Use "Router Alert" option in header (RFC2711)
- Version number confusion:
 - ➤MLDv1 (RFC2710) like IGMPv2 (RFC2236)
 - ➤MLDv2 (draft-vida-mld-v2-07) like IGMPv3 (RFC3376)
 - ➤ Provides SSM support
- MLD snooping (RFC 4541)

MLD - Joining a Group (REPORT)



MLD - Group-Specific Query



Other MLD Operations

Leave/DONE

- ➤ Last host leaves Sends DONE (Type 132)
- ➤ Router responds with Group-Specific Query (Type 130)
- ➤ Router uses the Last member query response interval (Default=1 sec) for each query
- ➤ Query is sent twice and if no reports occur then entry is removed (2 seconds)
- General Query (Type 130)
 - >Sent to learn of listeners on the attached link
 - ➤ Sets the Multicast Address Field to zero
 - ➤ Sent every 125 seconds (configurable)

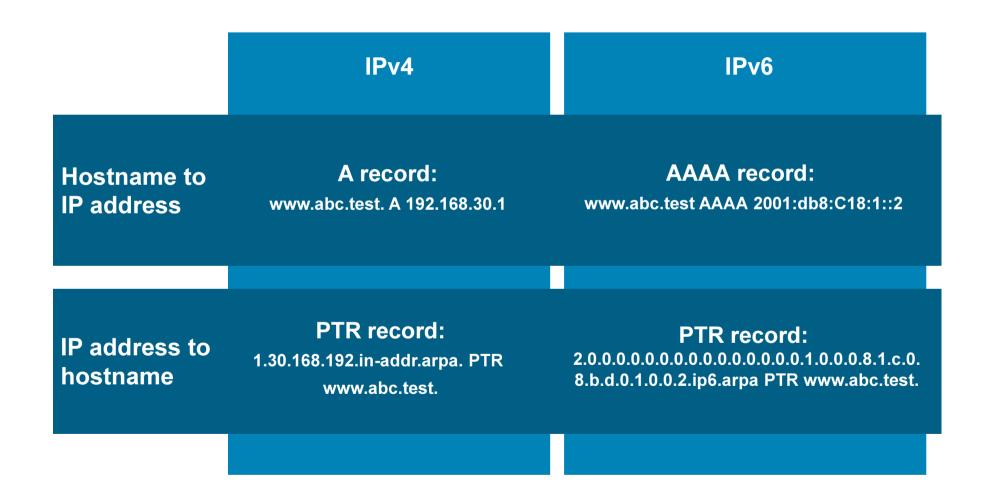
DHCP and DNS for IPv6



DNS Basics

- DNS is a database managing Resource Records (RR
 - Stockage of RR from various types—IPV4 and IPV6:
 - Start of Authority (SoA)
 - Name Server
 - Address—A and AAAA
 - Pointer—PTR
- DNS is an IP application
 - >It uses either UDP or TCP on top of IPv4 or IPv6
- References
 - ➤ RFC3596: DNS Extensions to Support IP Version 6
 - ➤RFC3363: Representing Internet Protocol Version 6 Addresses in Domain Name system (DNS)
 - ➤RFC3364: Tradeoffs in Domain Name System (DNS) Support for Internet Protocol version 6 (IPv6)

IPv6 and DNS



DHCPv6 Overview

- Updated version of DHCP for IPv4
- Supports new addressing
- Can be used for renumbering
- DHCP Process is same as in IPv4
- Client first detect the presence of routers on the link
- If found, then examines router advertisements to determine if DHCP can be used
- If no router found or if DHCP can be used, then
 - ➤ DHCP Solicit message is sent to the All-DHCP-Agents multicast address
 - ➤ Using the link-local address as the source address
- Multicast addresses used:
 - >FF02::1:2 = All DHCP Agents (servers or relays, Link-local scope)
 - >FF05::1:3 = All DHCP Servers (Site-local scope)
 - ➤DHCP Messages: Clients listen UDP port 546; servers and relay agents listen on UDP port 547

DHCPv6 – Overview

- Supports IPv6 addressing and configuration needs
- Is the "Stateful" auto-configuration protocol for IPv6
- Is the "other" (non-address) configuration protocol for IPv6
- Supports "prefix delegation", not just "address assignment"
- Clean design:
 - ➤ New optimized packet format (no BOOTP legacy)
 - ➤ 16-bit option space, 16-bit option lengths
 - ➤ Uses encapsulation (some messages/options encapsulate others)
 - ➤ Client may obtain many addresses (not just one)
 - ➤ Client and server use DUID (DHCP Unique IDentifier)
 - ➤ Relay agent always involved (unless server allows otherwise)
 - ➤ Client has link-local address so can communicate on-link
 - ➤ Link-local multicasting used (client to relay/server)
 - Server to client or relay to client communication via link-local unicast

Why DHCPv6 when IPv6 stateless autoconfiguration exists

- Stateless auto-configuration only configures addresses; not "other configuration" information (DNS servers, domain search list, ...)
- Stateless auto-configuration is "one-size fits all"
 - Addresses can not be selectively assigned
 - > Policies can not be enforced about clients allowed addresses

IPv6 Autoconfiguration & DHCPv6

- Stateless Autoconfiguration RFC 3736
 - ➤ Sometimes called DHCPv6lite
 - ➤ The DHCPv6 server does not assign addresses but instead provides configuration parameters, such as DNS server information, to these clients
 - ➤ Very similar to DHCPv4 DHCPINFORM/DHCPACK
- Stateful configuration RFC 3315

The DHCPv6 server assigns (non-temporary and/or temporary) addresses and provides configuration parameters to clients

- Prefix Delegation (PD) RFC 3633
 - The DHCPv6 server delegates prefixes to clients (i.e., routers) instead of leasing addresses
- One, two, or all three may be used at the same time on different prefixes

Who Am I - DHCP Unique Identifier

- Used by client and server to identify themselves
- Should be stable "forever"
- Three types defined in RFC 3315
 - 1. Link-layer address plus time (DUID-LLT)
 - 2. Vendor-assigned unique ID based on Enterprise ID (DUID-EN)
 - 3. Link-layer address (DUID-LL)

DHCPv6 – Client/Server Messages

Basic message format (UDP, ports 546 and 547)

Message Types

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Client -> Server: Solicit, Request, Confirm, Renew, Rebind, Release, Decline, Information-Request

Server -> Client: Advertise, Reply, Reconfigure

Relay -> Relay/Server: Relay-Forw

Server/Relay -> Relay: Relay-Reply

Note: Relay-Forw and Relay-Reply have different format (except msg-type field)
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Options used to carry all data (minimal fixed fields)

DHCPv6 versus DHCPv4 Message Types

DHCPv6 Message Type	DHCPv4 Message Type		
Solicit (1)	DHCPDISCOVER		
Advertise (2)	DHCPOFFER		
Request (3), Renew (5), Rebind (6)	DHCPREQUEST		
Reply (7)	DHCPACK / DHCPNAK		
Release (8)	DHCPRELEASE		
Information-Request (11)	DHCPINFORM		
Decline (9)	DHCPDECLINE		
Confirm (4)	none		
Reconfigure (10)	DHCPFORCERENEW		
Relay-Forw (12), Relay-Reply (13)	none		

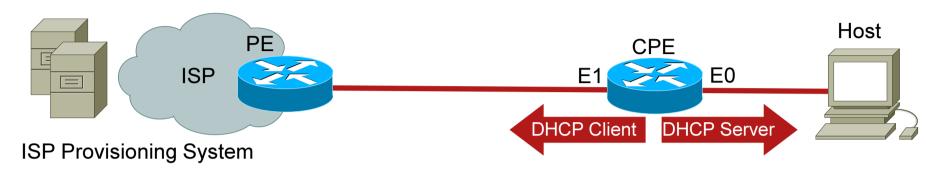
Confirm Message

- Used by Client when:
 - ➤ it detects link-layer connectivity change (reconnect to link)
 - ➤It is powered on and one or more leases still valid
- Allows client to confirm if still on the same link
- Any server can reply with Success or Not-On-Link status
 - Success means the addresses' prefixes are valid
 - ➤ Not-on-Link means one or more prefixes is not valid
 - ➤ Note: Does NOT indicate if lease(s) themselves are valid; just the prefixes!

DHCPv6 - Options

- 16-bit option numbers
 - ➤ Options may be appear multiple times (are not concatenated)
- 16-bit option lengths
- Some option encapsulated other options
 - ➤ Relay messages encapsulate client (or other relay) messages in a Message option
 - ➤IA_NA, IA_TA, and IA_PD options encapsulate addresses and delegated prefixes
- Client MUST include options desired from server in ORO

Router Advertisement

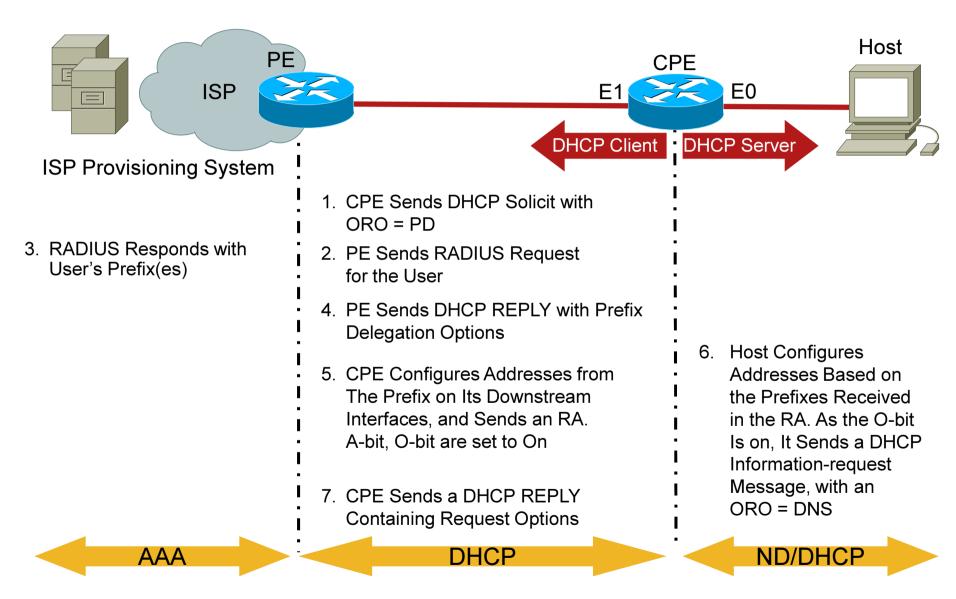


Source of RA	User of RA	A Bit		M/O Bits	
		Α	Operation	M/O	Operation
PE	CPE E1	0	Don't Do Stateless Address Assignment	11	Use Dhcpv6 for Address + Other Config. (i.e., Stateful Dhcpv6)
CPE Router	Host	1	Do Stateless Address Assignment	01	Use Dhcpv6 for Other Config. (i.e., Stateless Dhcpv6)

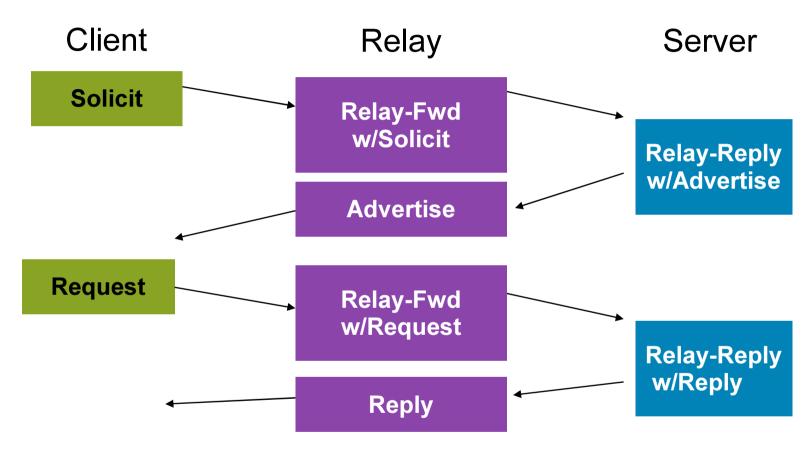
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RS Are Sent by Booting Nodes to Request RAs for Configuring the Interfaces; Host Autonomously Configures Its Own Link-Local Address

Prefix/Options Assignment



DHCPv6 Operation



- All_DHCP_Relay_Agents_and_Servers (FF02::1:2)
- All_DHCP_Servers (FF05::1:3)
- DHCP Messages: Clients listen UDP port 546; servers and relay agents listen on UDP port 547

