

IPv6 Security

Training Course

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Introductions



- Name
- Experience with Security and IPv6
- Goals



Introduction

Basic IPv6 Protocol Security

Basic header, Extension Headers, Addressing

IPv6 Associated Protocols Security

ICMPv6, NDP, MLD, DNS, DHCPv6

Internet-wide IPv6 Security

Filtering, DDoS, Transition Mechanisms

Tips and Tools

Up-to-date information, Security Tools, Device features

Legend







Introduction to IPv6 Security

Section 1

IPv6 is Happening...



∨ RANK	IPV6%	COUNTRY / REGION	
1	100%	Christmas Island	
2	100%	Western Sahara	
3	80%	Pitcairn	
4	70.6%	India	
5	67.2%	Montserrat	
6	66.5%	Tokelau	
7	62.1%	Malaysia	
8	60.3%	Germany	
9	59.8%	France	
10	59.4%	Uruguay	
11	54.8%	Saudi Arabia	
12	54.2%	Belgium	
13	52.5%	Nepal	
14	52.5%	Japan	
15	52.2%	United States	
16	50.8%	Viet Nam	
17	48.5%	Greece	
18	47.5%	Thailand	
19	47.4%	United Arab Emirates	
20	46.5%	Brazil	

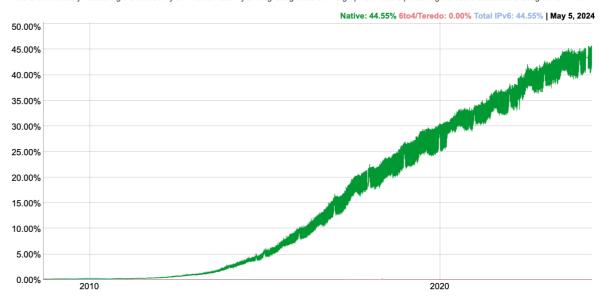
IPv6 Adoption By Networks

*Networks data is limited to the top 200 networks ranked by total IPv6 hits to platform.

→ RANK	IPV6%	NETWORK
1	71.5%	Comcast Cable
2	73.5%	AT&T Communications Americas
3	91.3%	Reliance Jio Infocomm Limited
4	60.1%	Verizon Business
5	92.5%	T-Mobile
6	60.1%	Charter Communications Inc - TWC
7	79.7%	Bharti Airtel Enterprise Ltd.
8	74%	Deutsche Telekom Germany
9	51.1%	Charter Communications Inc.

IPv6 Adoption

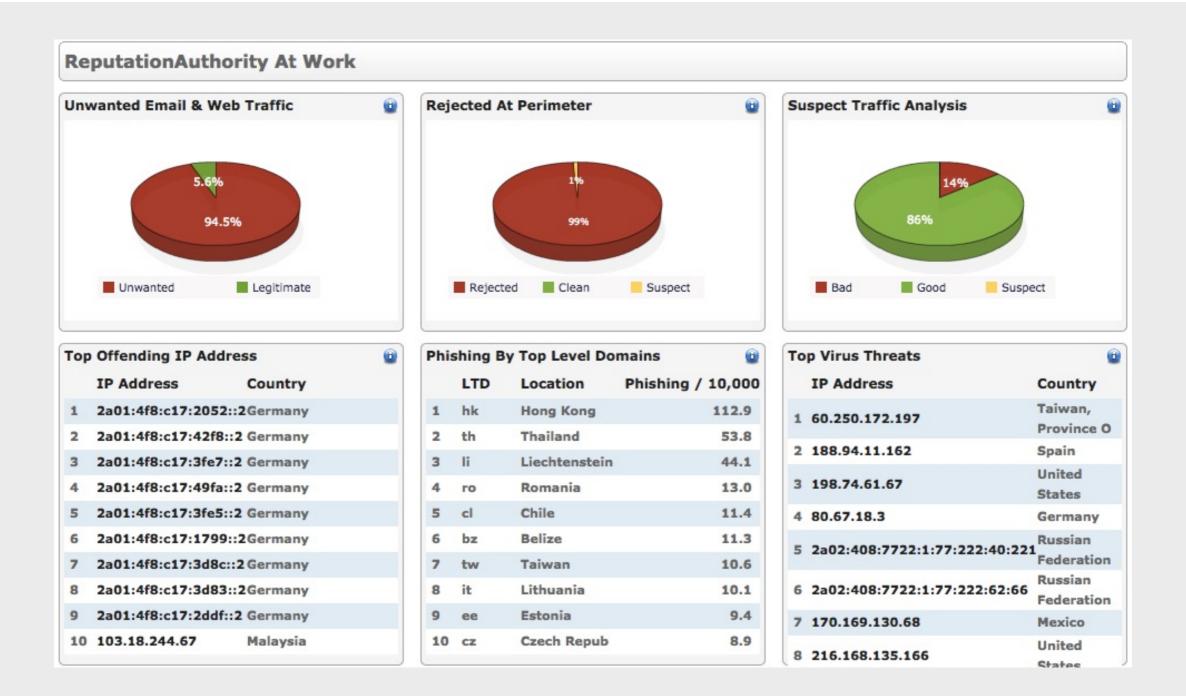
We are continuously measuring the availability of IPv6 connectivity among Google users. The graph shows the percentage of users that access Google over IPv6.



Source: Akamai, Google

... and So Are IPv6 Security Threats! 🥨







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- IPv6 is more secure than IPv4
- IPv6 has better security and it's built in

Reason:

RFC 4294 - IPv6 Node Requirements: IPsec MUST

- RFC 8504 IPv6 Node Requirements: IPsec SHOULD
- IPsec available. Used for security in IPv6 protocols



1 **2** 3 4 5 6 7 8

- IPv6 has no NAT. Global addresses used
- I'm exposed to attacks from Internet

Reason:

End-2-End paradigm. Global addresses. No NAT

- Global addressing does not imply global reachability
- You are responsible for reachability (filtering)



1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

IPv6 Networks are too big to scan

Reason:

- Common LAN/VLAN use /64 network prefix
- 18,446,744,073,709,551,616 hosts

- Brute force scanning is not possible [RFC5157]
- New scanning techniques



1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

• IPv6 is too new to be attacked

Reason:

• Lack of knowledge about IPv6 (it's happening!)

- There are tools, threats, attacks, security patches, etc.
- You have to be prepared for IPv6 attacks



1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

- IPv6 is just IPv4 with 128 bits addresses
- There is nothing new

Reason:

Routing and switching work the same way

- Whole new addressing architecture
- Many associated new protocols



1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

IPv6 support is a yes/no question

Reason:

- Question: "Does it support IPv6?"
- Answer: "Yes, it supports IPv6"

- IPv6 support is not a yes/no question
- Features missing, immature implementations, interoperability issues





Reason:

Networks only designed and configured for IPv4

- IPv6 available in many hosts, servers, and devices
- Unwanted IPv6 traffic. Protect your network



1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

- It is not possible to secure an IPv6 network
- Lack of resources and features

Reason:

- Considering IPv6 completely different than IPv4
- Think there are no BCPs, resources or features

- Use IP independent security policies
- There are BCPs, resources and features

Conclusions



A change of mindset is necessary

- IPv6 is not more or less secure than IPv4
- Knowledge of the protocol is the best security measure



Basic IPv6 Protocol Security

Section 2



IPv6 Basic Header and Extension Headers

Section 2.1

Basic IPv6 Header: Threat #1



Version	Traffic Class	Flow Label		
Payload Length N			Next Header	Hop Limit
Source Address				
Destination Address				



Basic IPv6 Header: Threat #1





IP spoofing:

Using a fake IPv6 source address



Solution:

ingress filtering and RPF (reverse path forwarding)

Basic IPv6 Header: Threat #2



Version	Traffic Class		Flow Label	
Payload Length			Next Header	Hop Limit
Source Address				
Destination Address				



Basic IPv6 Header: Threats #2





Covert Channel:

Using Traffic Class and/or Flow Label



Solution:

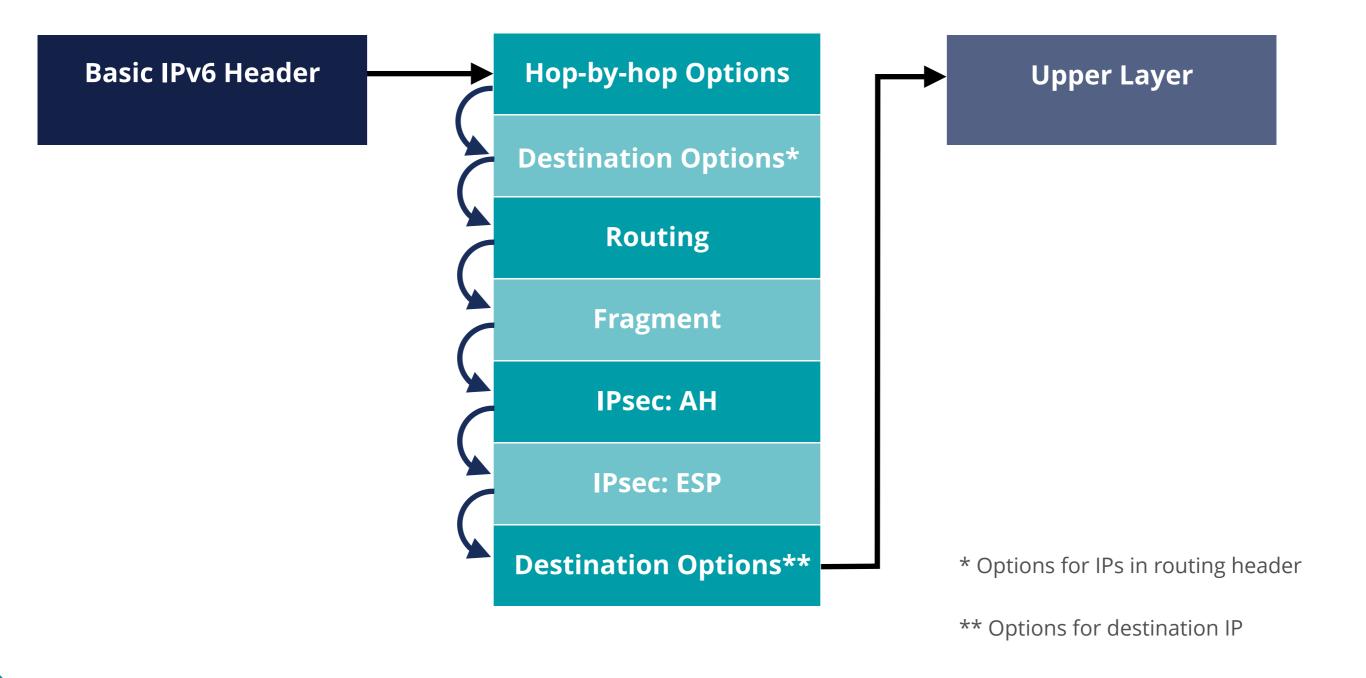
Inspect packets (IDS / IPS)

Expected values:

- Traffic Class: 0 (unless QoS is used)
- Flow Label: 0

IPv6 Extension Headers







Extension Headers Properties



Flexible (use is optional) **Only appear once** (except Destination options) **Fixed** (types and order) **Processed only at endpoints** (except Hop-by-Hop and Routing)





Flexibility means complexity

 Security devices / software must process the full chain of headers

 Firewalls must be able to filter based on Extension Headers



Routing Header



Includes one or more IPs that should be "visited" in the path

Processed by the visited routers

8 bits	8 bits	8 bits	8 bits	
Next Header	Length	Routing Type	Segments Left	
Specific data of that Routing Header type				



Routing Header Threat

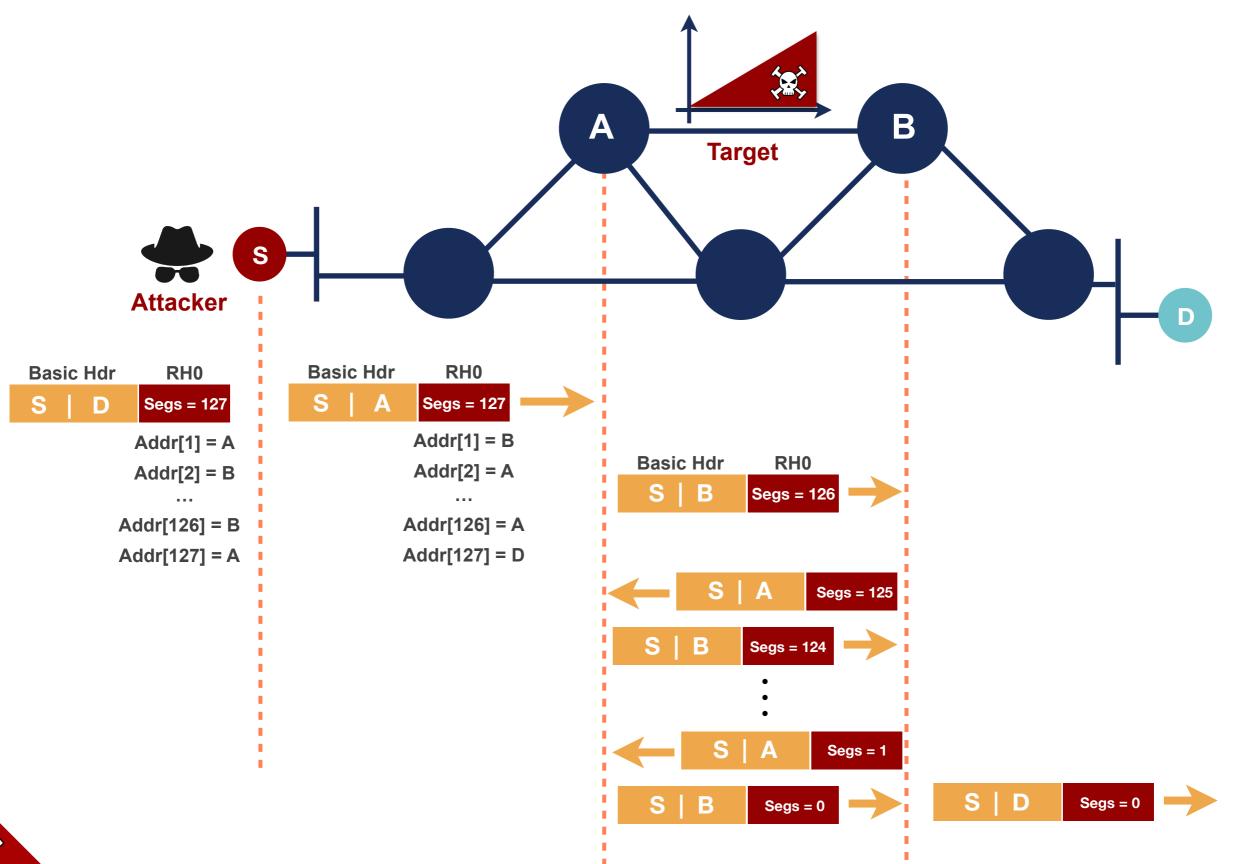


- Routing Header (Type 0):
 - RH0 can be used for traffic amplification over a remote path
- RH0 Deprecated [RFC5095]
 - RH1 deprecated. RH2 (MIPv6), RH3 (RPL) and RH4 (SRH) are valid









Extension Headers Solutions



Use of RH0

Deprecated [RFC5095]

Do not use or allow

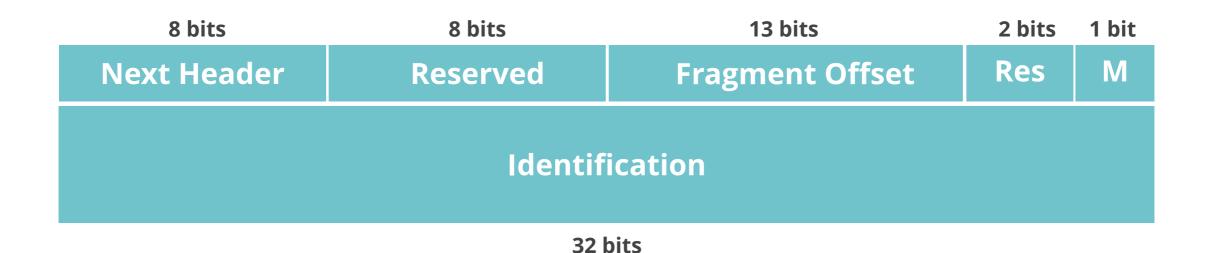
Require security tools to inspect Header Chain properly



Fragment Header



- Used by IPv6 source node to send a packet bigger than path MTU
- Destination host processes fragment headers



M Flag:

1 = more fragments to come;

0 = last fragment



EH Threats: Fragmentation



Overlapping Fragments

Fragments that overlap because of wrong "fragment offset"

?

Not Sending Last Fragment Waiting for last fragment Resource consumption

"Atomic" Fragments

Packet with Frag. EH is the only fragment (Frag. Offset and M = 0)



EH Solutions: Fragmentation



Overlapping Fragments

Not allowed in IPv6 [RFC5722]

Packets are discarded

Not Sending Last Fragment Timer and discard packets (default 60 secs)

"Atomic" Fragments Processed in isolation from any other packets/fragments [RFC6946]



Bypassing RA Filtering/RA-Guard



Using any Extension Header

Basic IPv6 Header	Destination Options	ICMPv6: RA
Next Header = 60	Next Header = 58	

If it only looks at Next Header = 60, it does not detect the RA



Bypassing RA Filtering/RA-Guard



Using **Fragment** Extension Header

Basic IPv6 Header	Fragment	Destination Options
Next Header = 44	Next Header = 60	Next Header = 58

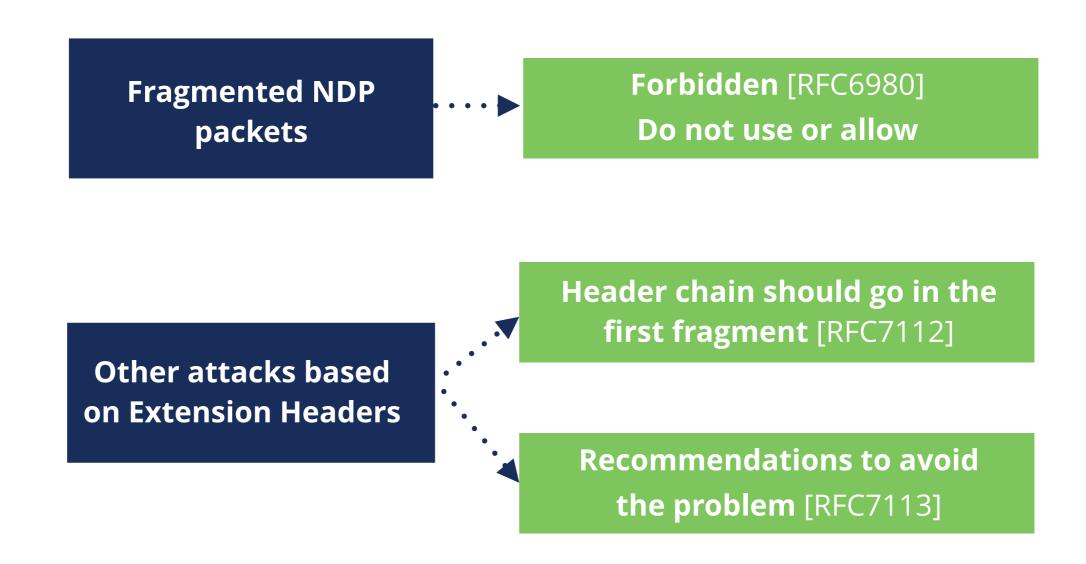
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Needs all fragments to detect the RA



Extension Headers Solutions





Require security tools to inspect Header Chain properly



IPsec - Security Protocols



Authentication Header (AH) Provides Integrity

MAY be implemented

Encapsulating Security Payload (ESP)

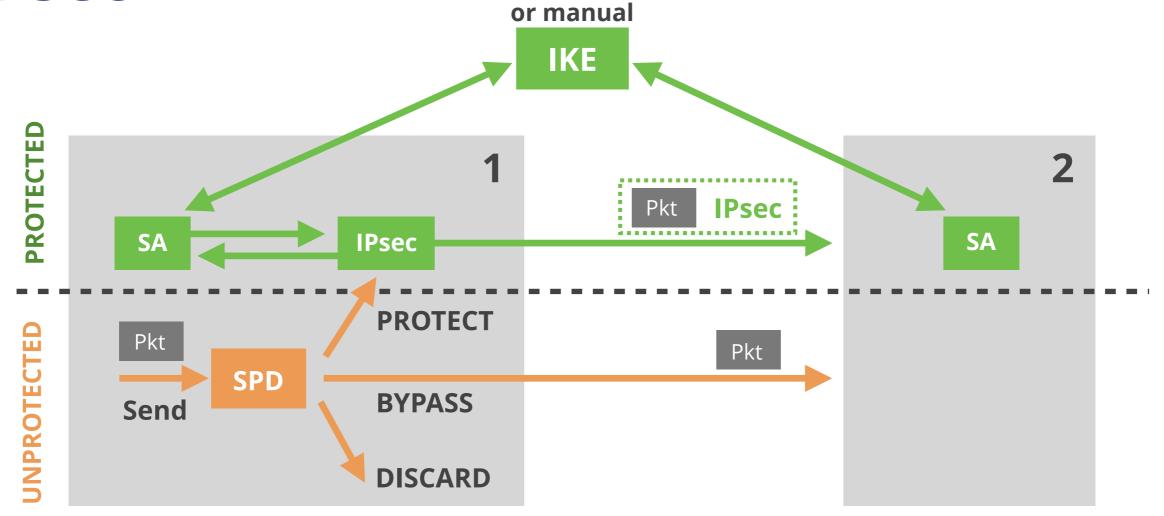
Provides Confidentiality and Integrity





IPsec



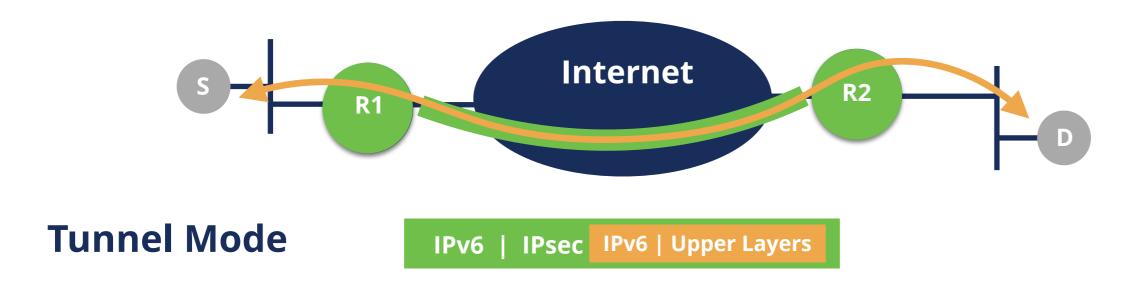


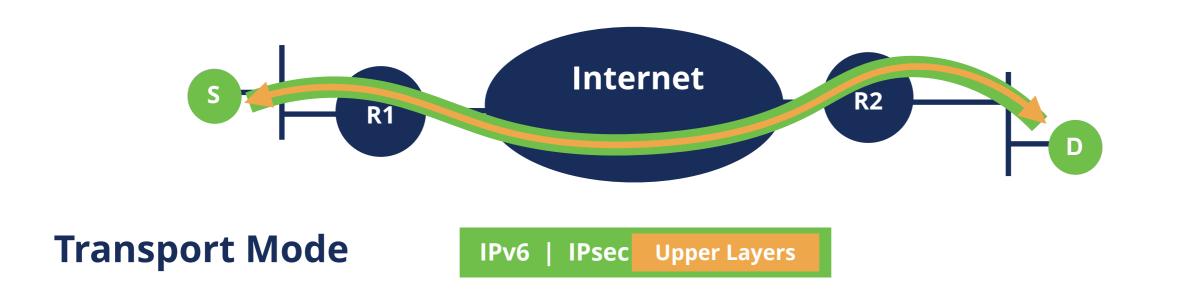
- SPD Security Policy Database indicates what to do with packets
- SA Security Association: info needed for IPsec with 1 host, 1 direction
- IKE Internet Key Exchange allows automatic creation of SAs



IPsec Modes







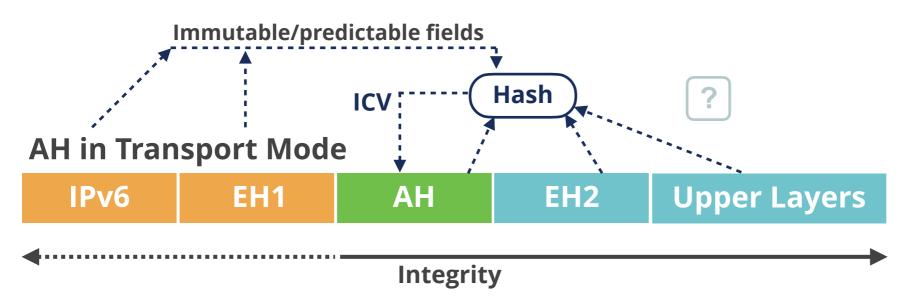


IPsec: Authentication Header



Unprotected IPv6

IPv6 EHs Upper Layers

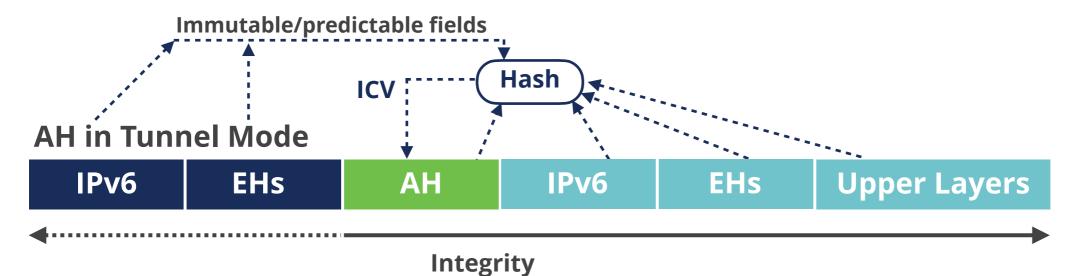


EH1 = Hop-by-Hop,

Dest. Options*,

Routing, Fragment

EH2 = Destination Options**

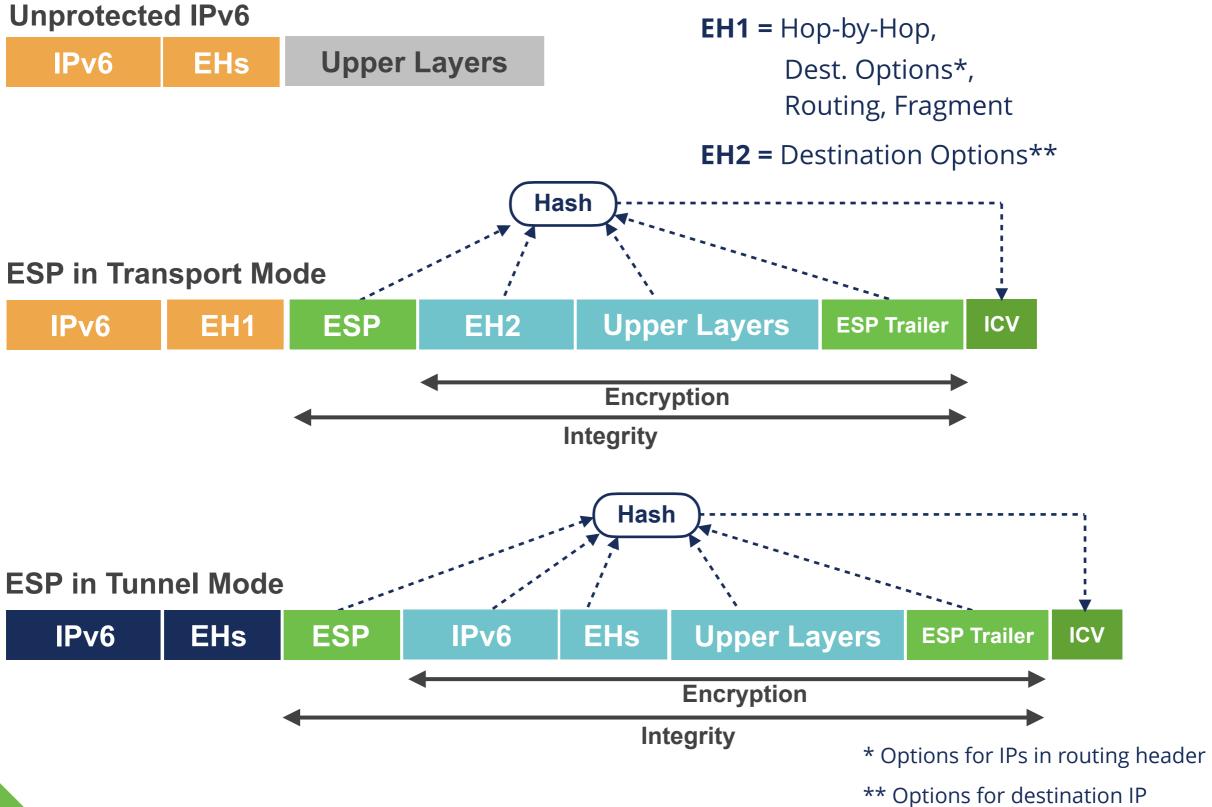


* Options for IPs in routing header

^{**} Options for destination IP

IPsec: ESP







IPv6 Packet Generation

Exercise 2.1

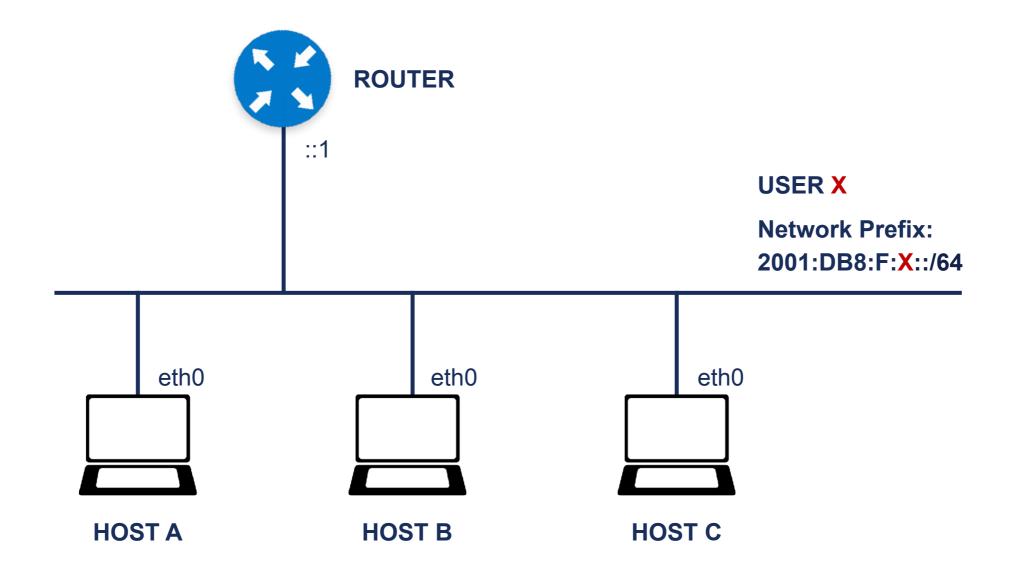
Exercise 2.1: IPv6 Packet Generation



- Description: Use Scapy to generate IPv6 packets
- Goals:
 - Get familiar with lab environment
 - Learn the basics of Scapy tool
 - Learn to generate tailor made IPv6 packets
- Time: 30 minutes
- Tasks:
 - Login in to the lab environment
 - Generate IPv6 packets following instructions in Exercise Booklet

Exercise 2.1: Lab network





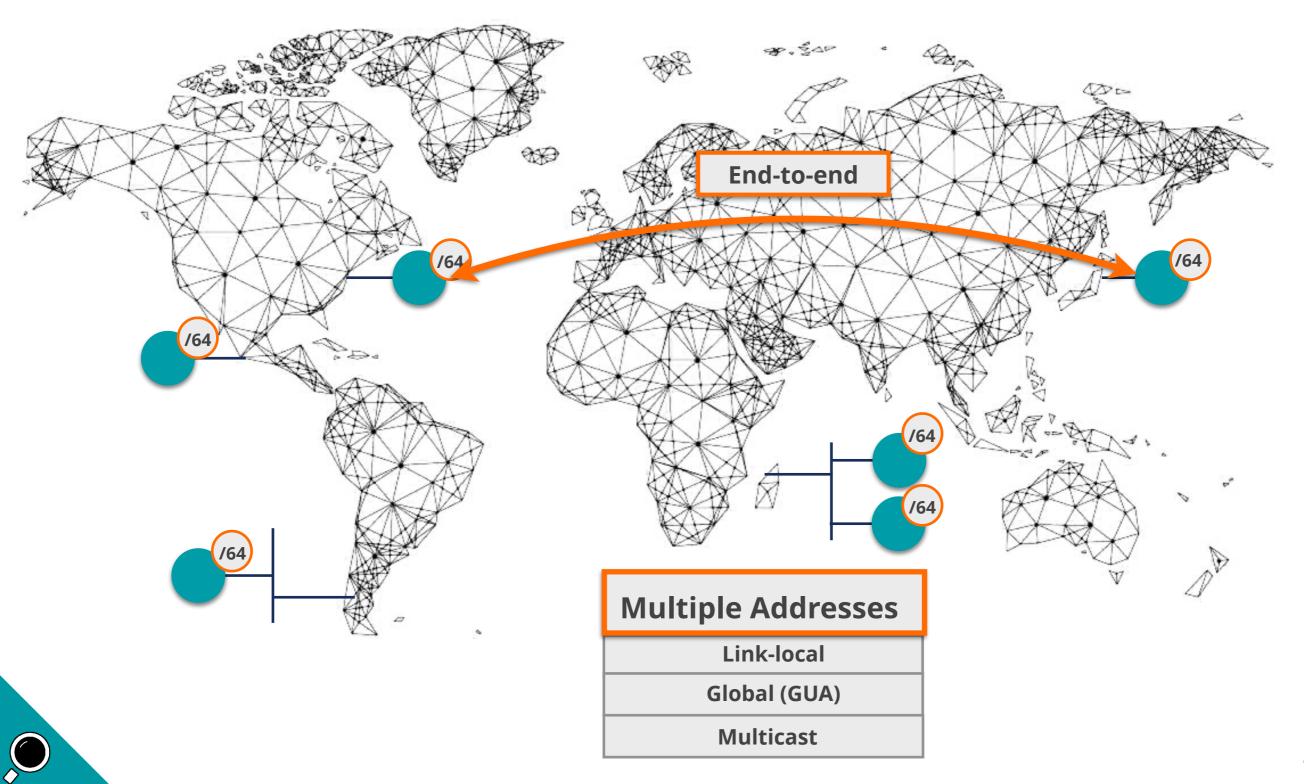


IPv6 Addressing Architecture

Section 2.2

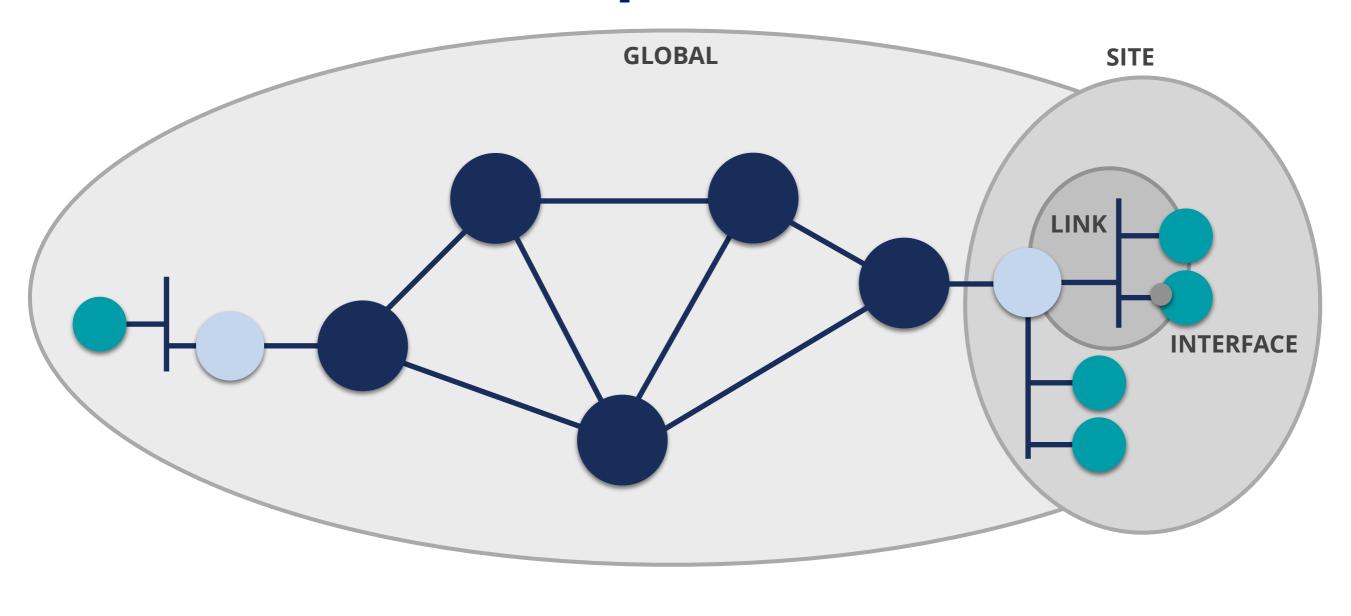


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IPv6 Address Scope





fe80::a:b:100

ff01::2

2001:67c:2e:1::c1

fd00:a:b::100

ff05::1:3

ff02::1



IPv6 Network Scanning



64 bits 64 bits

Network Prefix

Interface ID (IID)

Network Prefix determination (64 bits)

Common patterns in addressing plans

DNS direct and reverse resolution

Traceroute

Interface ID determination (64 bits)

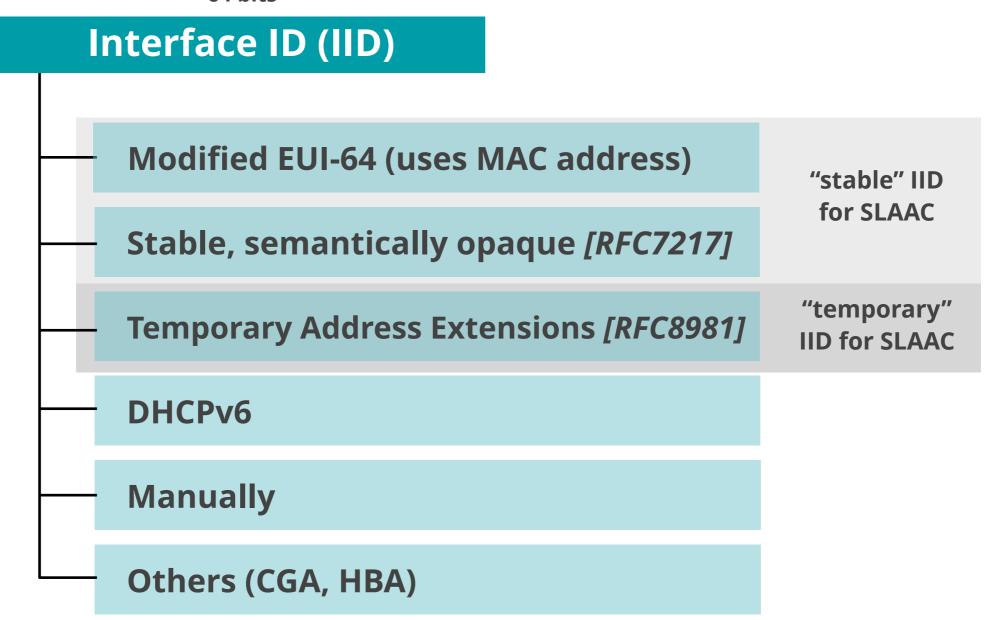
"brute force" no longer possible



IID Generation Options



64 bits





SLAAC IIDs Currently



Consider IID bits "opaque", no value or meaning [RFC7136]

How to generate IIDs [RFC7217]

Different for each interface in the same network prefix

Not related to any fixed interface identifier

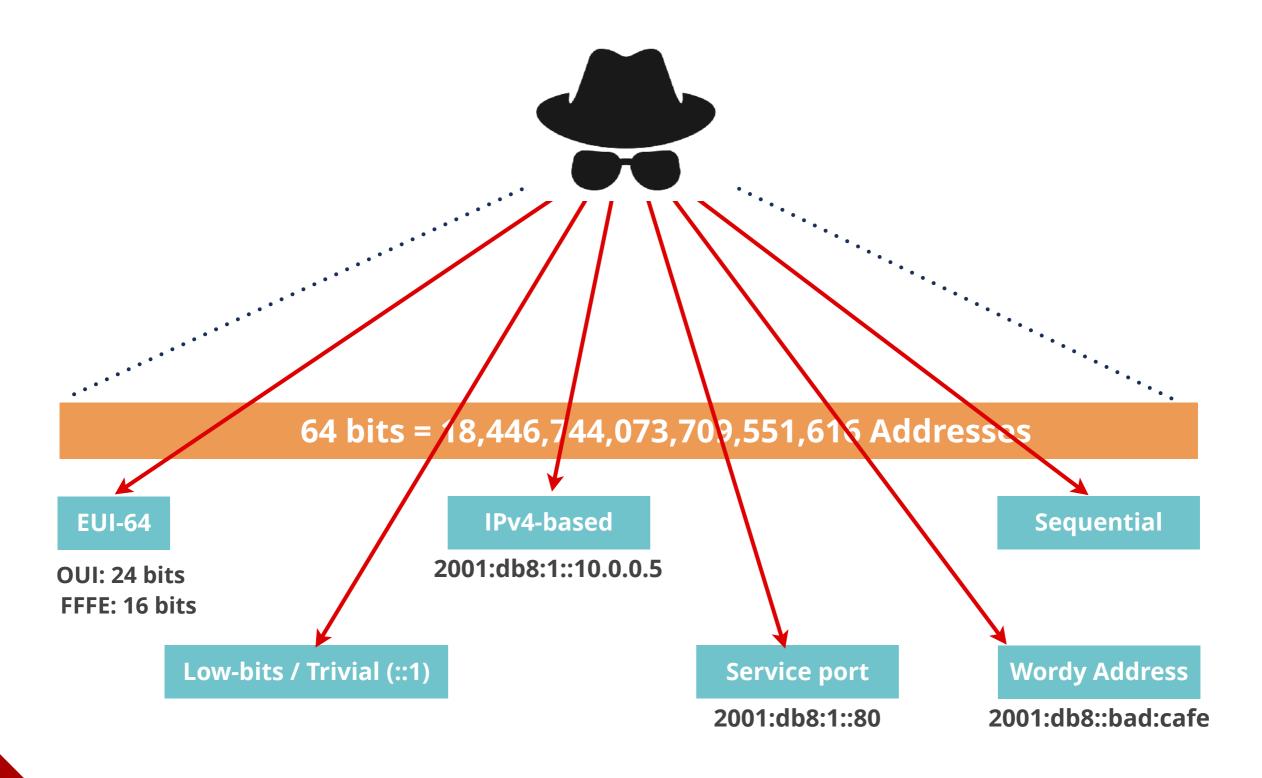
Always the same when same interface connected to same network

 Widely used and standardised for "stable" addresses [RFC8064]



Guessing IIDs

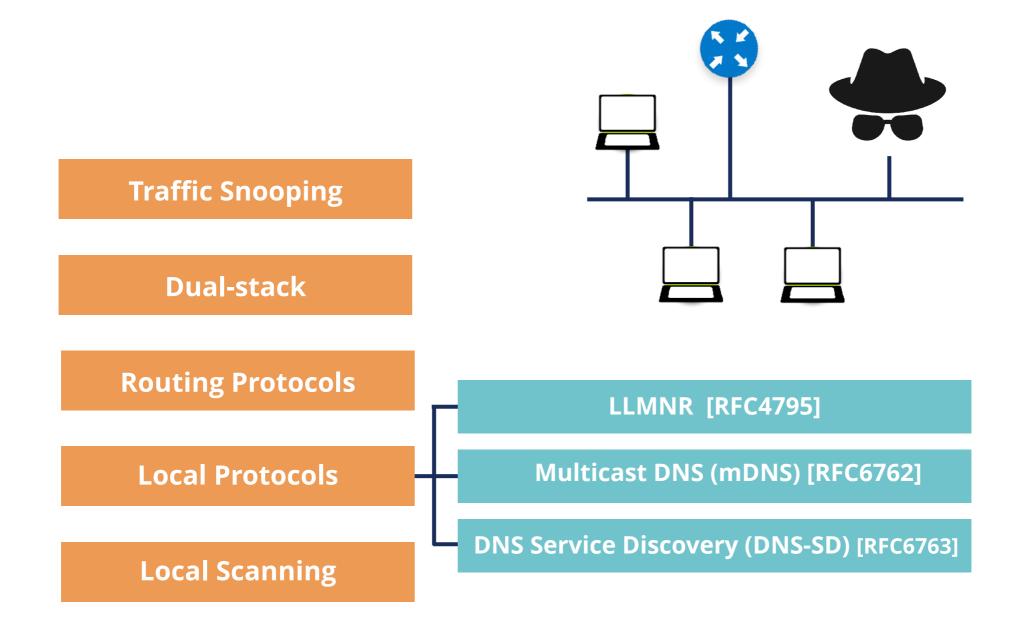






Locally Scanning IPv6 Networks







Special / Reserved IPv6 Addresses



Name	IPv6 Address	Comments
Unspecified	::/128	When no address available
Loopback	::1/128	For local communications
IPv4-mapped	::ffff:0:0/96	For dual-stack sockets. Add IPv4 address 32 bits
Documentation	2001:db8::/32	RFC 3849
IPv4/IPv6 Translators	64:ff9b::/96	RFC 6052
Discard-Only Address Block	100::/64	RFC 6666
Teredo	2001::/32	IPv6 in IPv4 Encapsulation Transition Mechanism
6to4	2002::/16	IPv6 in IPv4 Encapsulation Transition Mechanism
ORCHID	2001:10::/28	Deprecated RFC 5156
Benchmarking	2001:2::/48	RFC 5180
Link-local	fe80::/10	RFC 4291
Unique-local	fc00::/7	RFC 4193
6Bone	3ffe::/16, 5f00::/8	Deprecated RFC 3701
IPv4-compatible	::/96	Deprecated RFC 5156



Security Tips



- Use hard to guess IIDs
 - RFC 7217 better than Modified EUI-64
 - RFC 8064 establishes RFC 7217 as the default
- Use IPS/IDS to detect scanning
- Filter packets where appropriate
- Be careful with routing protocols
- Use "default" /64 size IPv6 subnet prefix





IPv6 Network Scanning

Exercise 2.2

Exercise 2.2: IPv6 Network Scanning



Description: Use available toolsets to scan a subnet

Goals:

- Know about two new toolsets: THC-IPV6 and The IPv6 Toolkit
- Learn how to use them to scan a subnet

• Time: 10 minutes

Tasks:

- Use The IPv6 Toolkit to scan your lab's subnet
- Use THC-IPV6 to scan your lab's subnet



IPv6 Associated Protocols Security

Section 3



ICMPv6

Section 3.1



ICMPv6 [RFC4443] is an integral part of IPv6

Error Messages

Destination Unreachable

Packet Too Big

Time Exceeded

Parameter Problem

Informational Messages

Echo Request

Echo Reply

NDP

MLD



ICMPv6 Format



General Format



Extended Format [RFC4884]

Used by: Destination Unreachable

Time Exceeded



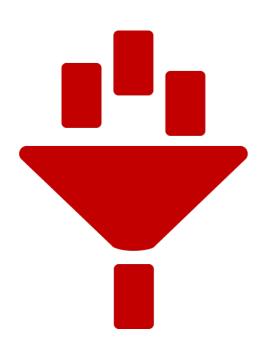
ICMPv6 Error Messages



Туре	Code	
	No route to destination (0)	
	Communication with destination administratively prohibited (1)	
	Beyond scope of source address (2)	
Destination Ureachable (1)	Address Unreachable (3)	
	Port Unreachable (4)	
	Source address failed ingress/egress policy (5)	
	Reject route to destination (6)	
	Error in Source Routing Header (7)	
Packet Too Big (2) Parameter = next hop MTU	Packet Too Big (0)	
Time Evended (2)	Hop Limit Exceeded in Transit (0)	
Time Exceeded (3)	Fragment Reassembly Time Exceeded (1)	
	Erroneous Header Field Encountered (0)	
Parameter Problem (4)	Unrecognized Next Header Type (1) Unrecognized IPv6 Option (2)	
Parameter = offset to error		
	IPv6 First Fragment has incomplete IPv6 Header Chain (3)	







FILTER ICMPv6 CAREFULLY!

Used in many IPv6 related protocols



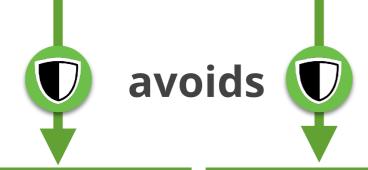
ICMPv6 Security



Packet with MULTICAST destination address

No ICMPv6 Error message allowed as a response

Echo Reply responding an Echo Request is Optional



not recommended (2)



Hosts Discovery

Amplification Attacks





NDP

Section 3.2



NDP [RFC4861] is used on a link

Messages

Neighbour Solicitation

Neighbour Advertisement

Router Solicitation

Router Advertisement

Redirect

Used for:

Discovery: routers, prefixes, network parameters

Autoconfiguration

DAD

NUD

Address Resolution









if not then discard

NDP has vulnerabilities

[RFC3756]

[RFC6583]

Specification says to use IPsec



impractical, it's not used

SEND [RFC3971]

(SEcure Neighbour Discovery)



Not widely available



NDP Threats



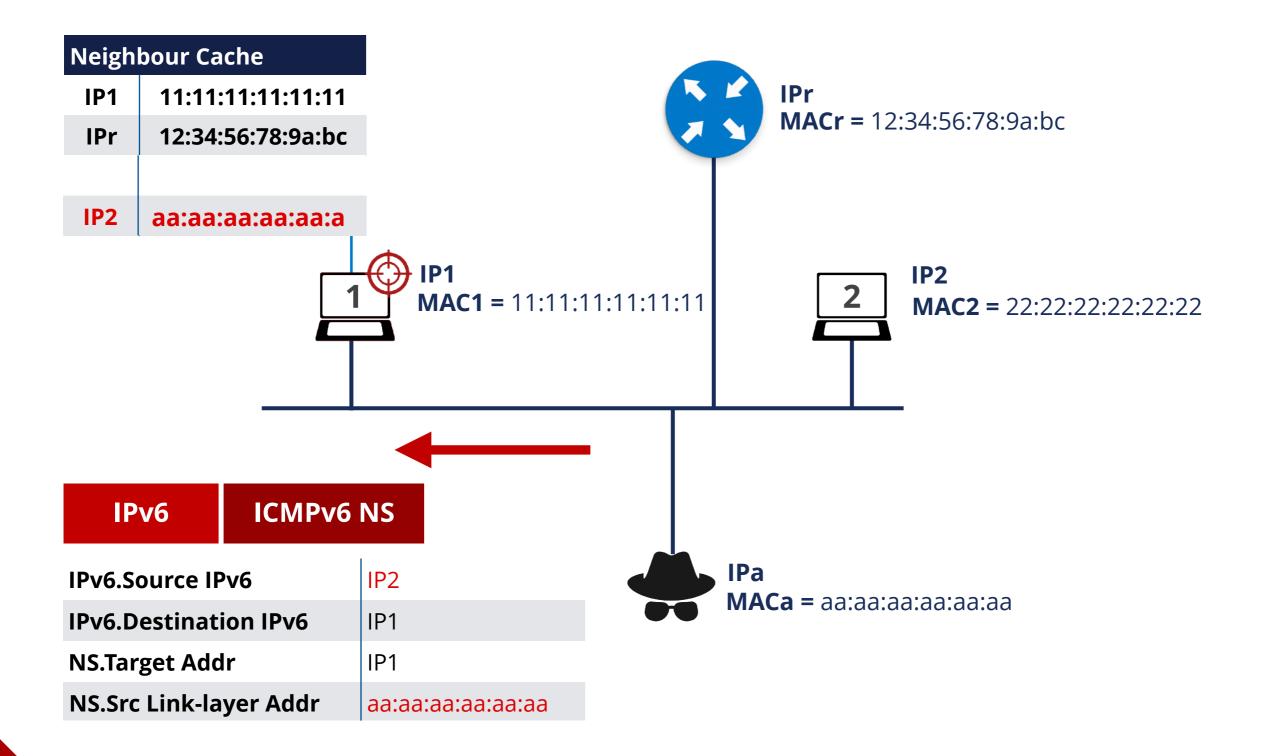
- Neighbor Solicitation/Advertisement Spoofing
- Can be done sending:
 - 1. **NS** with "source link-layer" option changed
 - 2. **NA** with "target link-layer" option changed
 - Can send unsolicited **NA** or as an answer to **NS**

- Redirection/DoS attack
- Could be used for a "Man-In-The-Middle" attack



NS Spoofing (Redirection / DoS)

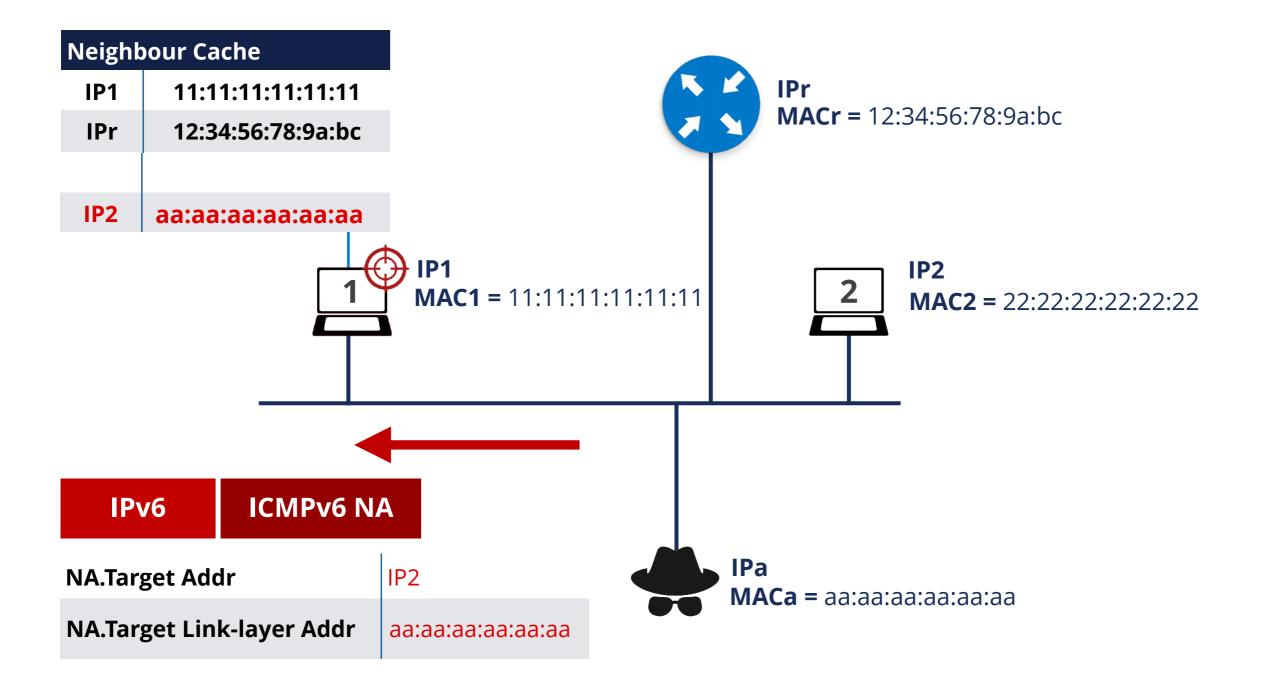






Unsolicited NA (Redirection / DoS)

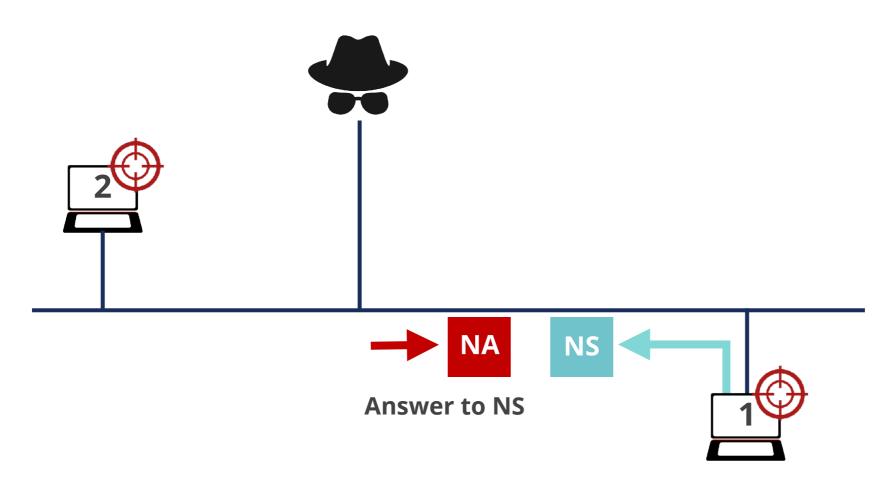






NUD Failure (DoS attack)



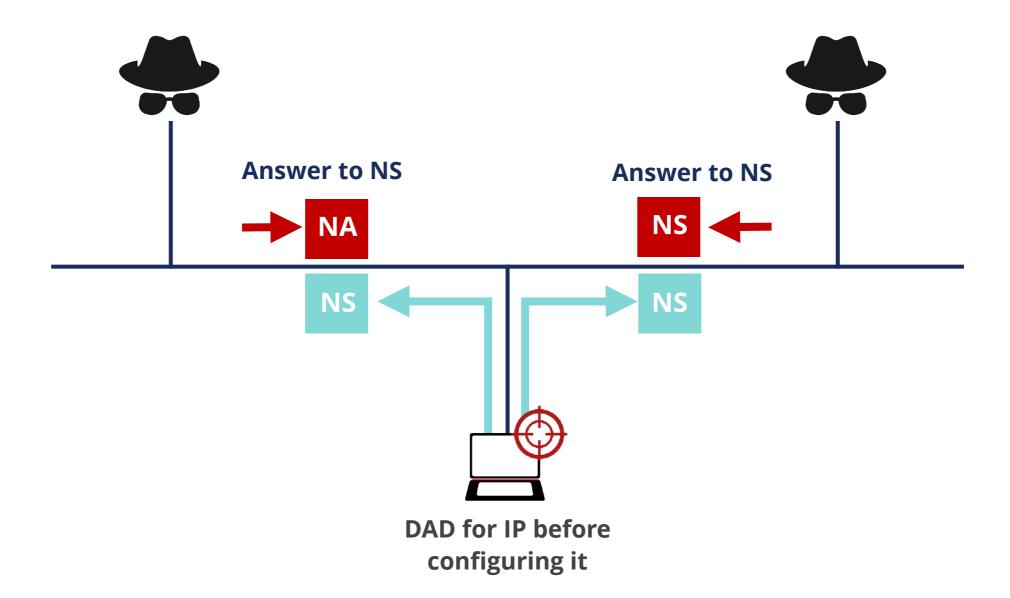


NUD to refresh IP host 2 in neighbour cache



DAD (DoS Attack)









NDP

Exercise 3.2-a

Exercise 3.2-a NDP

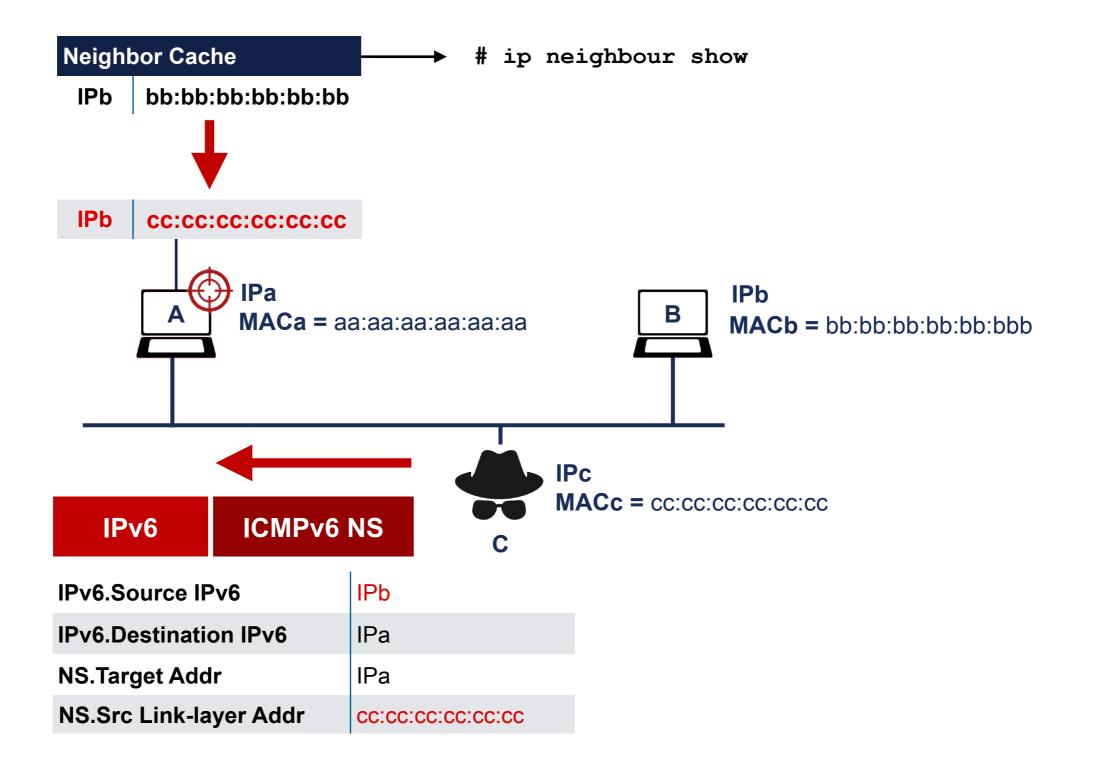


Description: Create packets to poison neighbor cache

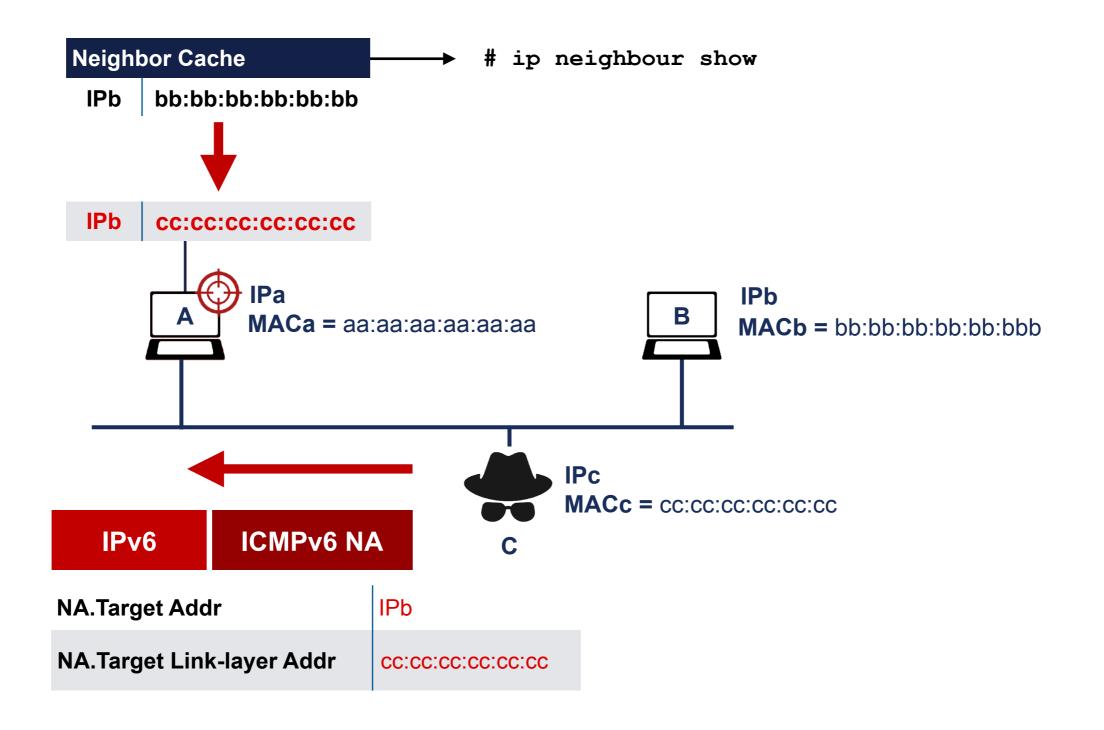
Goals:

- Practice with Scapy tool
- Learn how to modify the neighbor cache of another host in the same network
- Time: 15 minutes
- Tasks (at least one of them):
 - Generate NS packets that change other host's neighbor cache
 - Generate NA packets that change other host's neighbor cache

3.2-a: Neighbor cache attack using NS 🕸

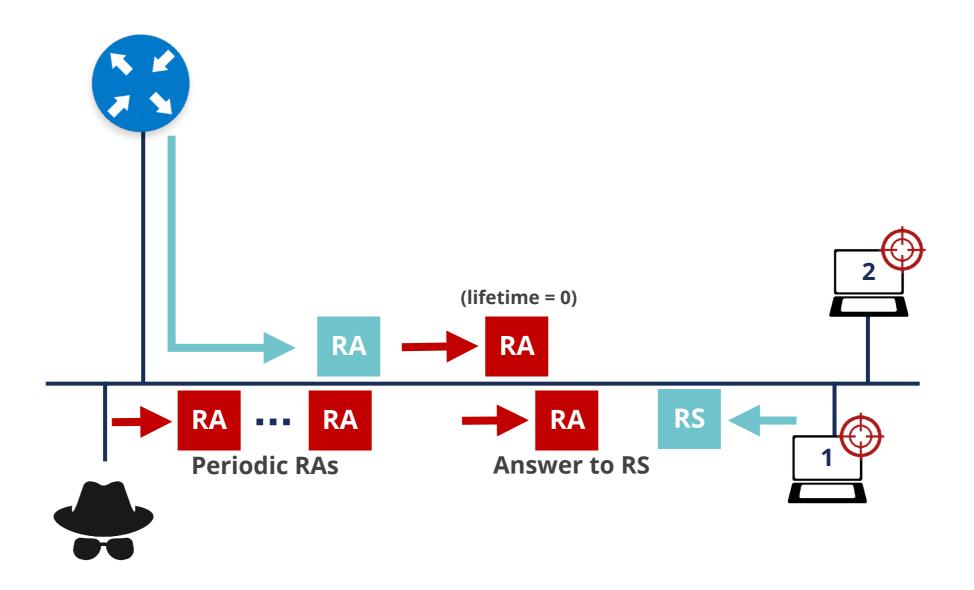


3.2-a: Neighbor cache attack using NA



Malicious Last Hop Router

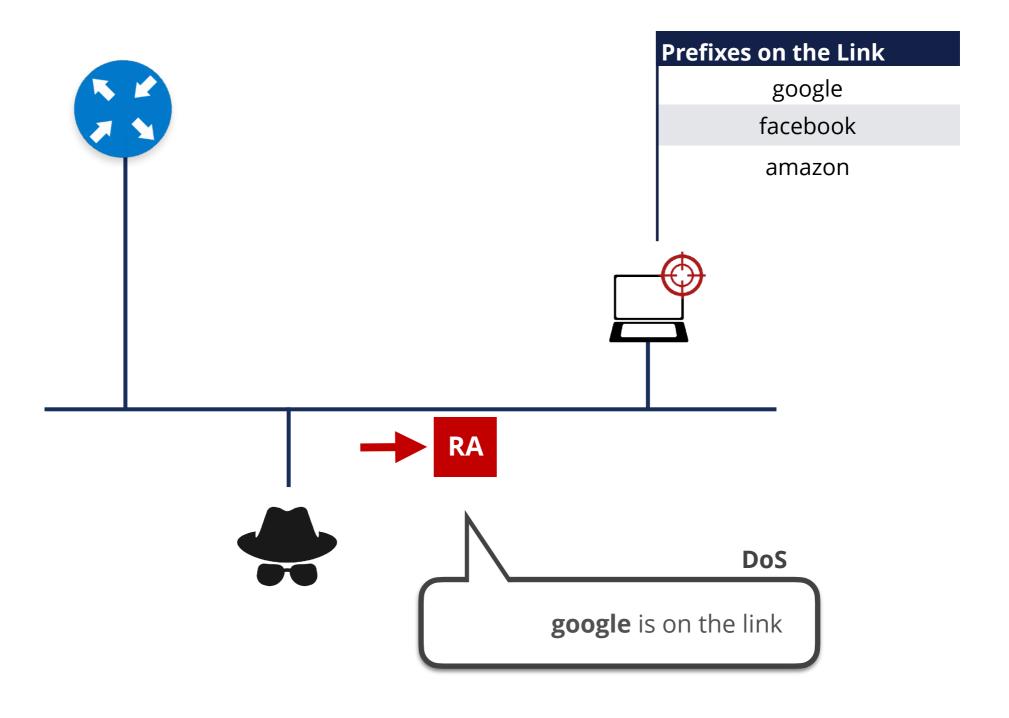






Bogus On-Link Prefix

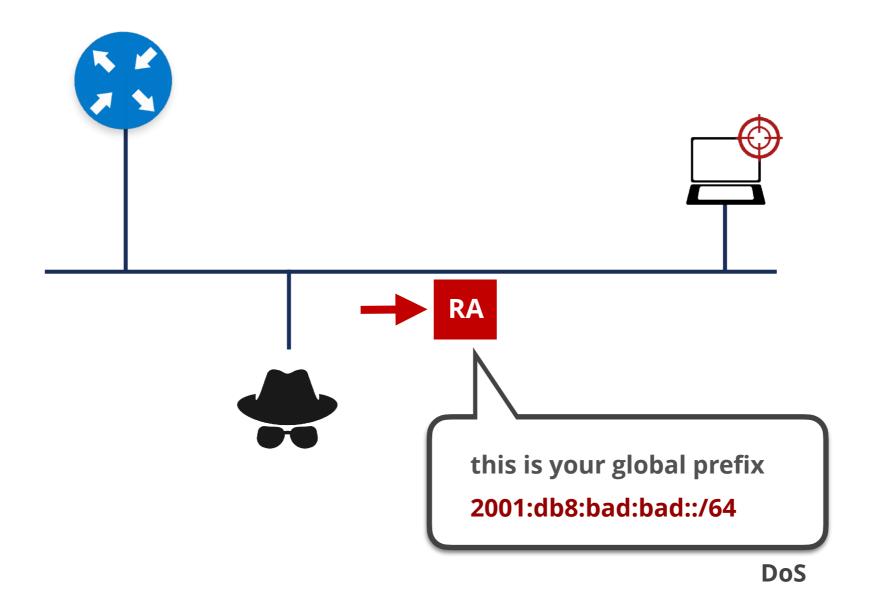






Bogus Address Configuration Prefix 🥨

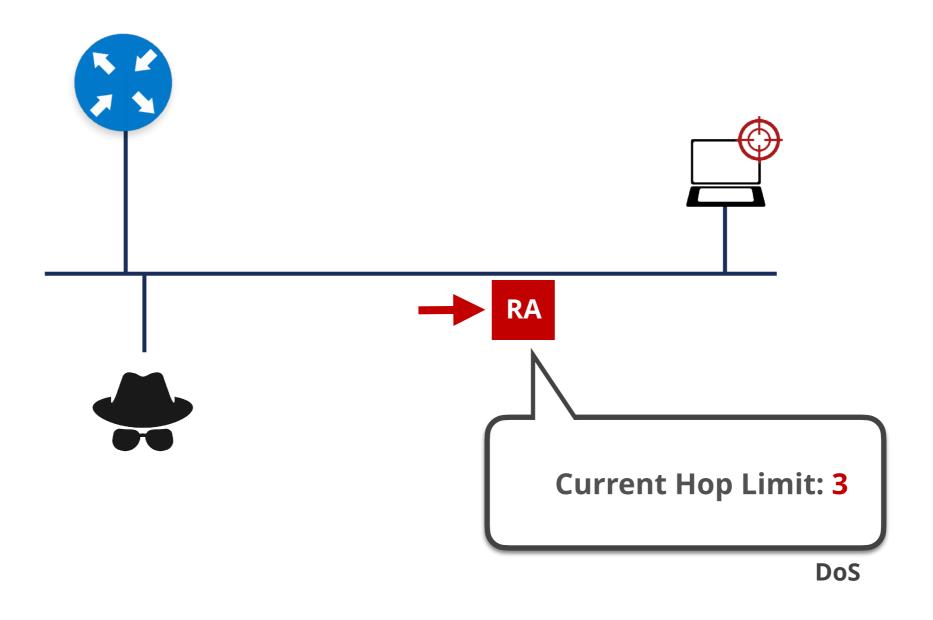






Parameter Spoofing: Hop Limit

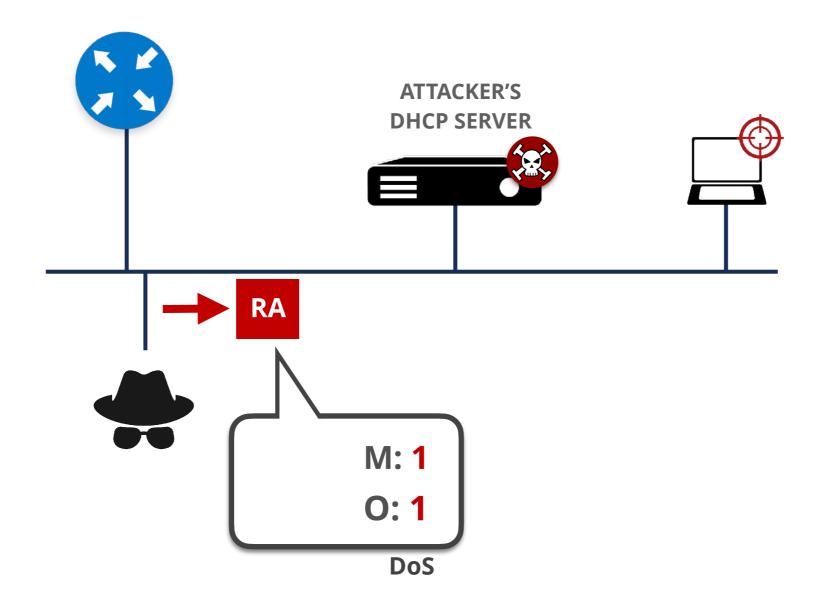






Parameter Spoofing: DHCPv6

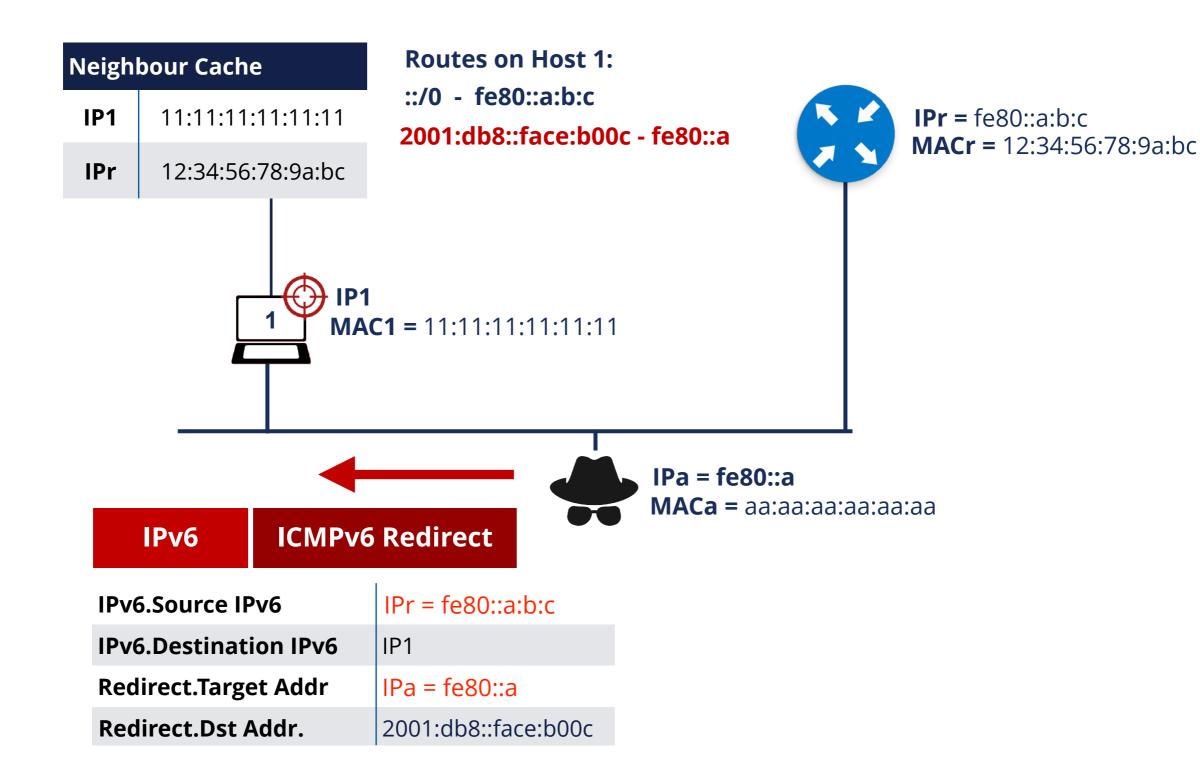






Spoofed Redirect Message

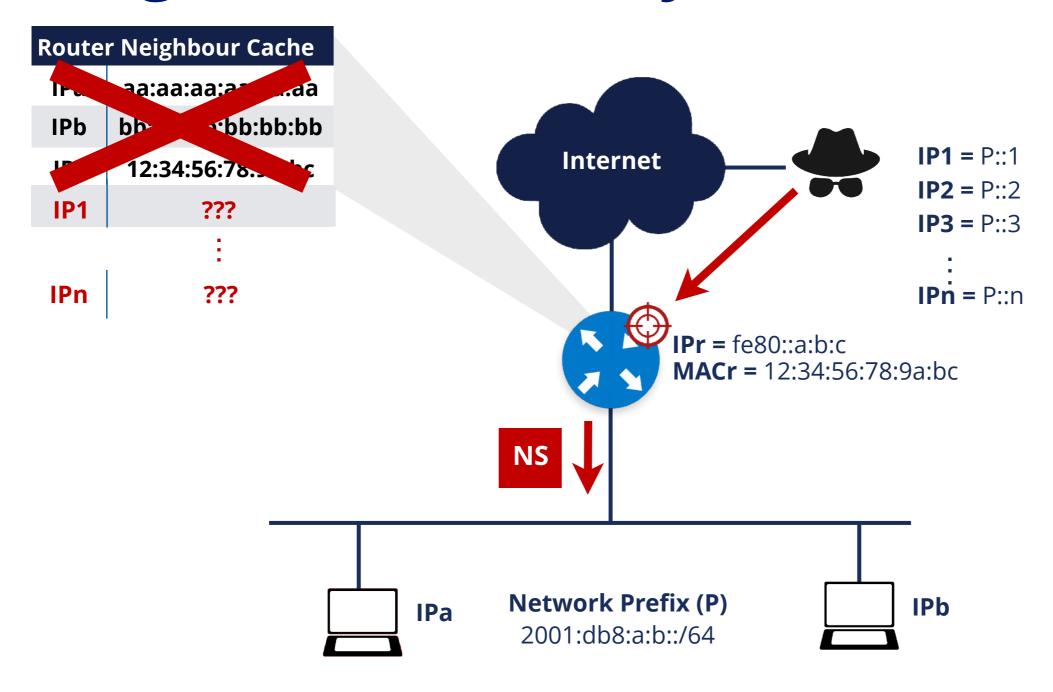






Neighbour Discovery DoS Attack









NDP

Exercise 3.2-b

Exercise 3.2-b NDP



Description: Send RA messages to perform attacks

Goals:

- Practice with Scapy tool
- Use RA messages to perform attacks on a link

• Time: 20 minutes

Tasks:

Send RA messages with bogus address configuration prefix

First Hop Security

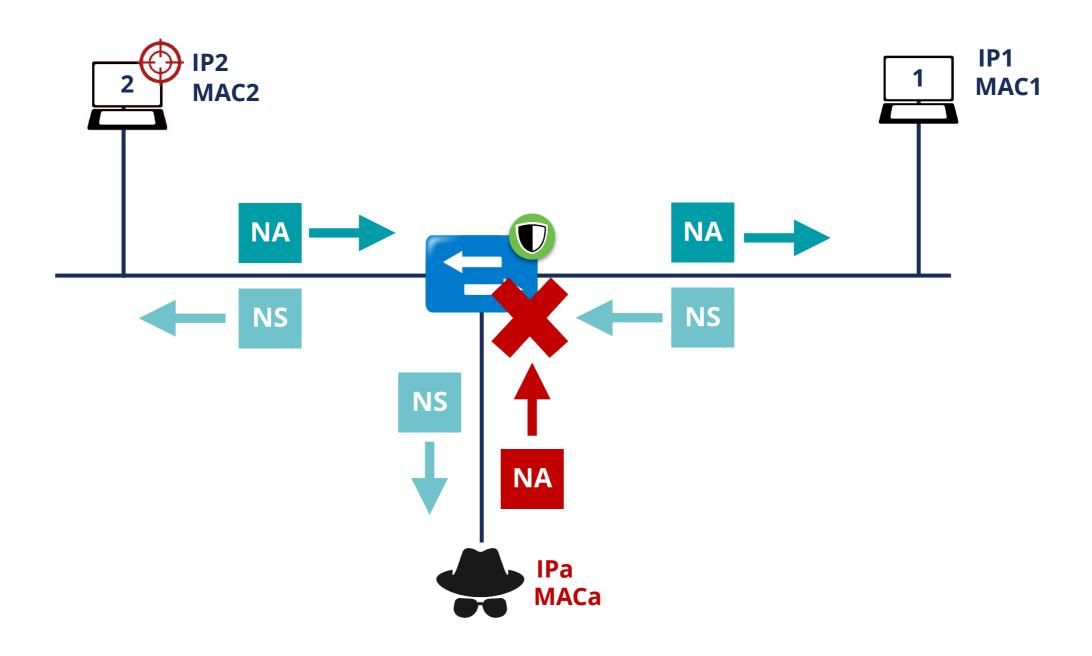


- Security implemented on switches
- There is a number of techniques available:
 - RA-GUARD
 - IPv6 Snooping (ND inspection + DHCPv6 Snooping)
 - IPv6 Source / Prefix Guard
 - IPv6 Destination Guard (or ND Resolution rate limiter)
 - MLD Snooping
 - DHCPv6 Guard



IPv6 Snooping

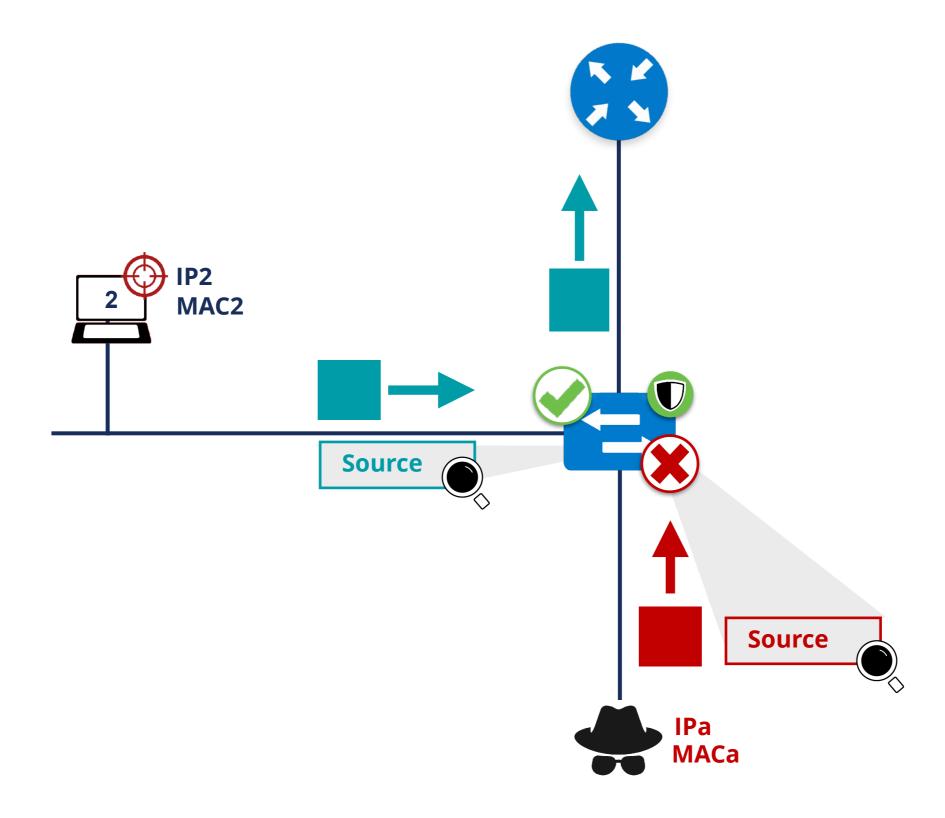






IPv6 Source / Prefix Guard

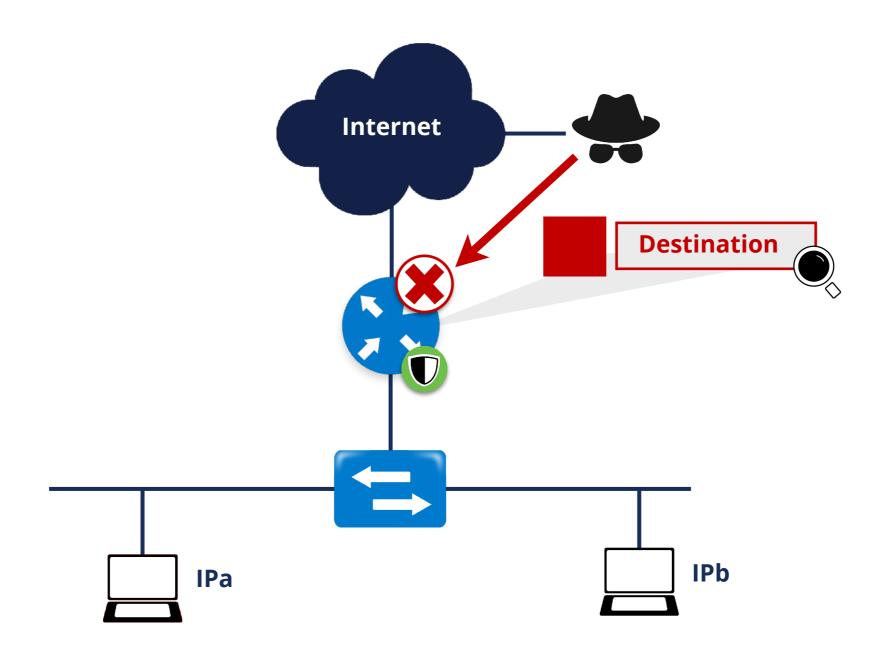






IPv6 Destination Guard









Rogue Router Advertisements





Rogue RA Solutions



<u>(1)</u>

Link Monitoring

(2)

SEND

3

MANUAL CONFIGURATION

+ Disable Autoconfig

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Host Packet Filtering

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Router Preference Option

[RFC4191]

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ACLs on Switches

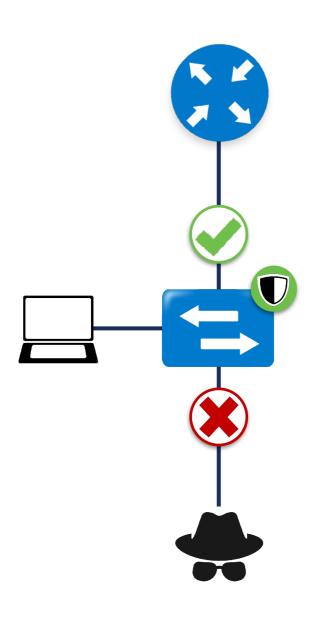
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RA Snooping on Switches (RA GUARD)



RA-GUARD [RFC6105]



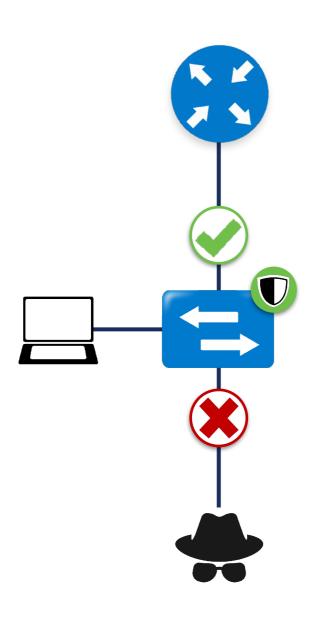


- Easiest available solution
- Only allows RAs on legitimate ports on L2 switches



Implementing RA-GUARD





Stateless RA Guard

Decision based on RA message or static configuration

Stateful RA Guard

Learns dynamically



Filtering



Use Access Control Lists (ACLs) in switches

Switches need to understand

Ethernet

Ethertype 0x86DD for IPv6

Source/destination MAC address

IPv6

Version 6

Source/destination IPv6 address

Next Header

ICMPv6

ICMPv6 Type and Code



Filtering Example



```
(config)#ipv6 access-list RA-GUARD
(config-ipv6-acl)#sequence 3 deny icmp any any router-advertisement
(config-ipv6-acl)#sequence 6 permit ipv6 any any

(config-ipv6-acl)#exit

(config)#interface FastEthernet0/5
(config-if)#ipv6 traffic-filter RA-GUARD in
```



Conclusions / Tips



- NDP is an important, powerful and vulnerable protocol
- Recommended: use available solutions to protect NDP
- Detection (IDS/IPS) can be easier and recommended





MLD

Section 3.3



MLD (Multicast Listener Discovery) is:

- Multicast related protocol, used in the **local link**
- Two versions: MLDv1 and MLDv2
- Uses ICMPv6
- Required by NDP and "IPv6 Node Requirements"
- IPv6 nodes use it when joining a multicast group



MLDv1



QUERY

Router asks for listeners

General

Specific

REPORT

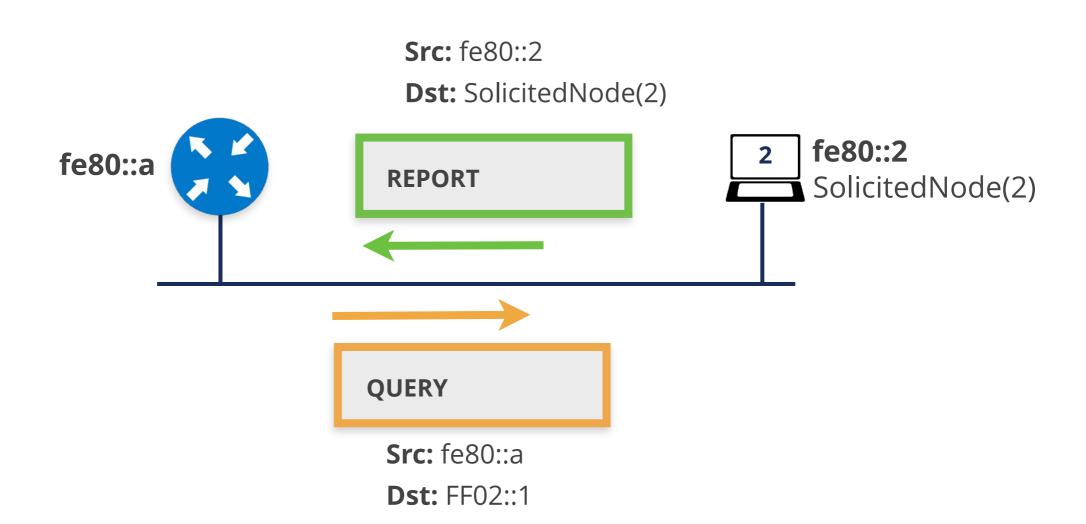
Listeners report themselves

DONE

Listeners indicate that they're done









MLDv2



- Mandatory for all IPv6 nodes (MUST) [RFC8504]
- Interoperable with MLDv1
- Adds Source-Specific Multicast filters:
 - Only accepted sources
 - Or all sources accepted **except** specified ones



MLDv2



QUERY

Router asks for listeners

General

Specific Multicast Address

Specific Multicast
Address and Source

REPORT-v2

Current state

State change (filter/sources)

Sent to FF02::16



MLD Details

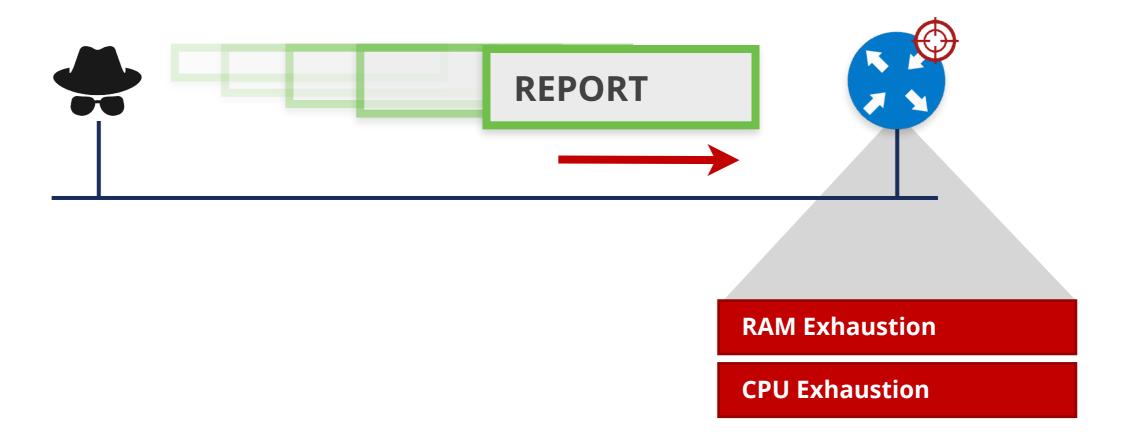


- Nodes MUST process QUERY to any of its unicast or multicast addresses
- MLDv2 needs all nodes using MLDv2
- All OSs join (REPORT) to the Solicited Node addresses



MLD Flooding

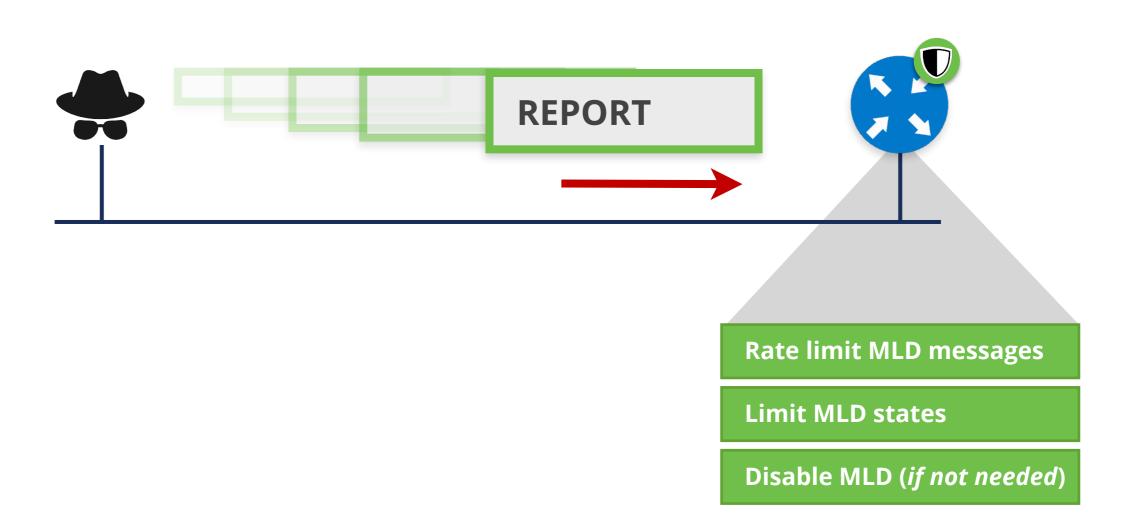






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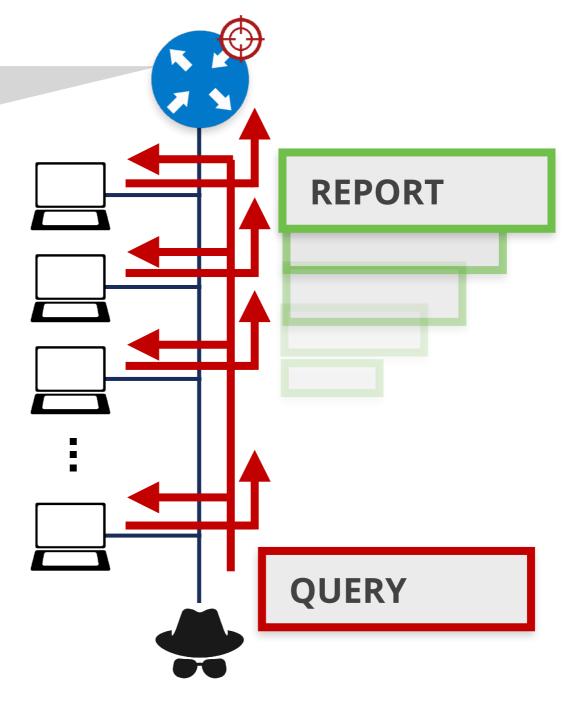




MLD Traffic amplification



Several REPORTs for each QUERY



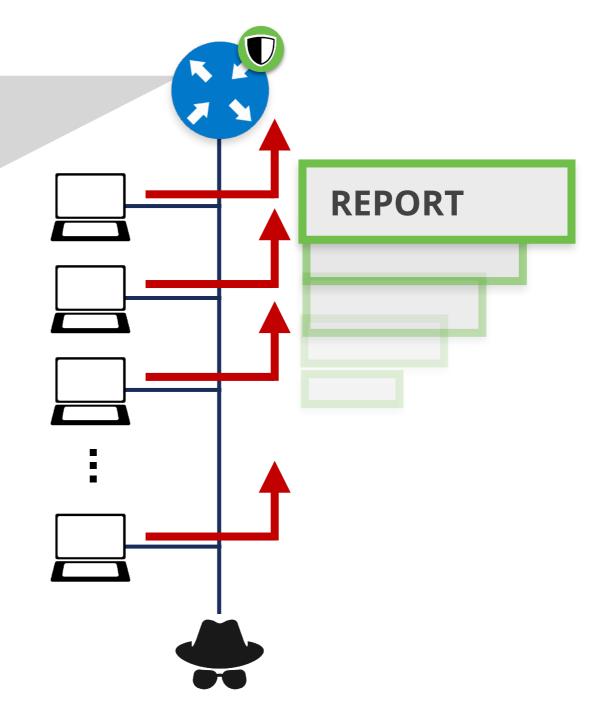


MLD Traffic amplification



Rate limit MLD messages

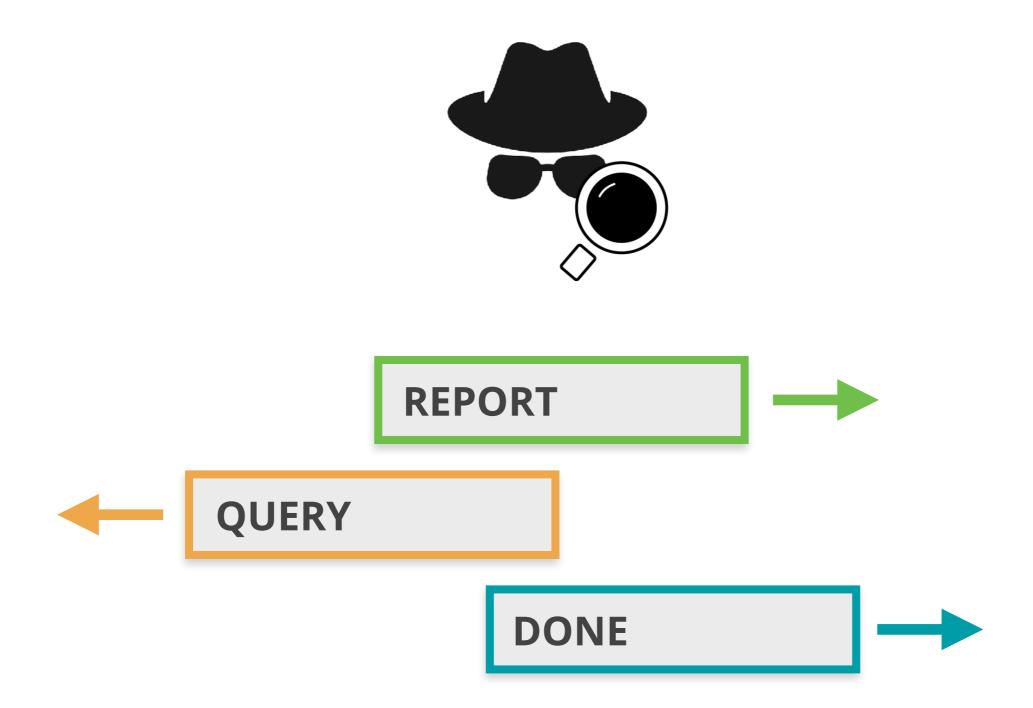
Disable MLD (if not needed)





Passive MLD Scanning

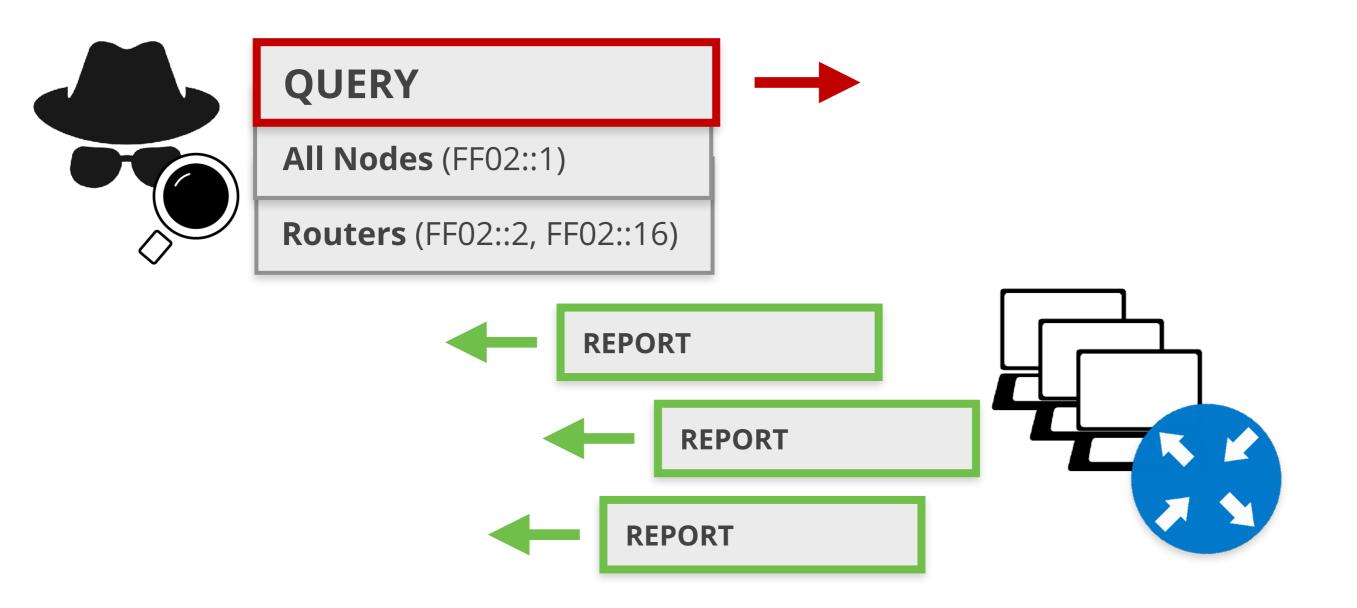






Active MLD Scanning







Built-in MLD Security



MLD Message

Source: Link local address only

Hop Limit = 1

Router Alert option in Hop-by-Hop EH

Discard non-compliant messages



MLD Snooping



RFC4541

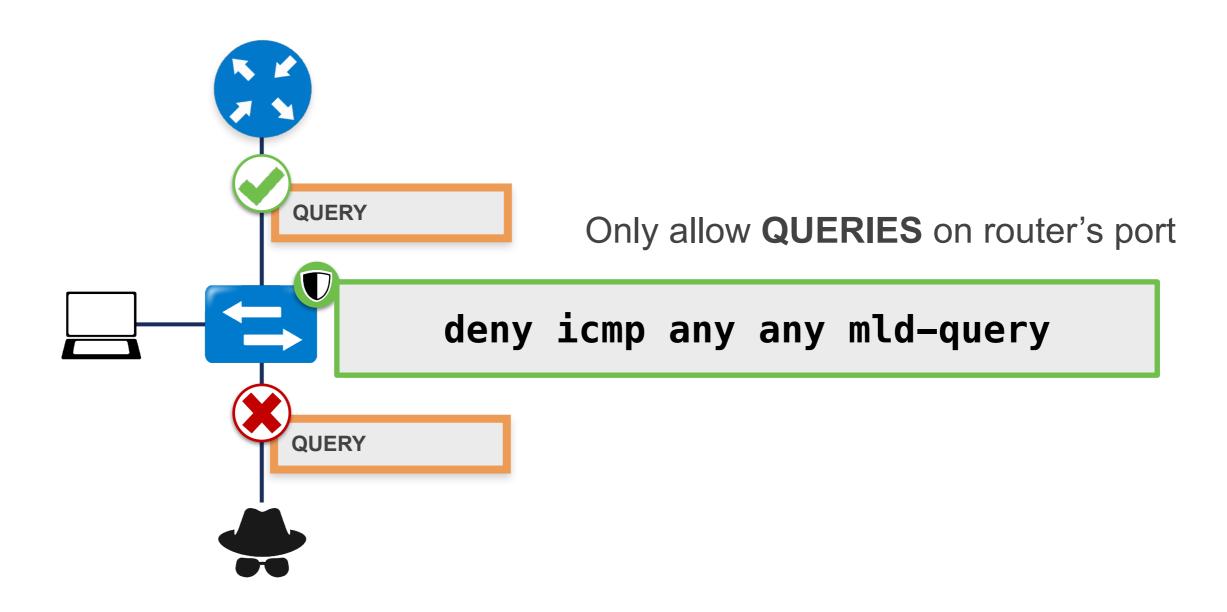


Only allow multicast traffic on ports with listeners



MLD Protection on Switches









MLD

Exercise 3.3



- Description: Network scanning using MLD
- Goals:
 - Craft a tailor-made message in Scapy
 - Capture the exchange of MLD messages
- Time: 10 minutes
- Tasks:
 - Scan your network using MLD Query message



```
>>> d = IPv6(dst="ff02::1",hlim=1)
>>> e = IPv6ExtHdrHopByHop(options = RouterAlert())
>>> f = ICMPv6MLQuery2()
>>> pktv2 = d / e / f
```

```
>>> send(pktv2); pkts2=sniff(iface="eth0",lfilter = lambda x:x.haslayer(IPv6))
.
Sent 1 packets.
^C>>> pkts2.summary()
Ether / fe80::a8c1:abff:febb:fb28 > ff02::16 (0) / IPv6ExtHdrHopByHop / ICMPv6MLReport2
Ether / fe80::a8c1:abff:fe53:d3ea > ff02::16 (0) / IPv6ExtHdrHopByHop / ICMPv6MLReport2
Ether / fe80::a8c1:abff:fec3:2bb8 > ff02::16 (0) / IPv6ExtHdrHopByHop / ICMPv6MLReport2
```



```
>>> pktv2.show()
###[ IPv6 ]###
 version = 6
          = 0
 tc
 fl = 0
 plen = None
      = Hop-by-Hop Option Header
 hlim
        = 1
 src
        = fe80::a8c1:abff:fee8:78c3
 dst
         = ff02::1
###[ IPv6 Extension Header - Hop-by-Hop Options Header ]###
            = ICMPv6
    len = None
    autopad = On
    \options \
     |###[ Router Alert ]###
       otype = Router Alert [00: skip, 0: Don't change en-route]
       optlen = 2
       value = None
###[ MLDv2 - Multicast Listener Query ]###
       type = MLD Query
       code
              = 0
       cksum = None
      mrd = 10000
       reserved = 0
       mladdr = :
       Resv
             = 0
               = 0
       0RV
               = 0
       OOIC
              = 0
       sources_number= None
               = [ ]
       sources
```



```
>>> pkts2[2].show()
###[ Ethernet ]###
           = 33:33:00:00:00:16
           = aa:c1:ab:53:d3:ea
  src
         = IPv6
  type
### [ IPv6 ]###
    version = 6
              = 0
    fl = 0 plen = 36
             = Hop-by-Hop Option Header
    hlim
             = fe80::a8c1:abff:fe53:d3ea
     src
    dst
            = ff02::16
###[ IPv6 Extension Header - Hop-by-Hop Options Header ]###
                 = ICMPv6
                 = 0
       autopad = On
       \options \
         |###[ Router Alert ]###
                    = Router Alert [00: skip, 0: Don't change en-route]
          otype
          optlen
                    = Datagram contains a MLD message
           value
         |###[ PadN ]###
                    = PadN [00: skip, 0: Don't change en-route]
           otype
           optlen
                    = 0
          optdata = ''
###[ MLDv2 - Multicast Listener Report ]###
                   = MLD Report Version 2
          type
          res
                = 0x77cb
          cksum
          reserved = 0
          records_number= 1
          \records \
            |###[ ICMPv6 MLDv2 - Multicast Address Record ]###
              rtype
              auxdata_len= 0
              sources_number= 0
                       = ff02::1:ff53:d3ea
              dst
              sources = [ ]
              auxdata = ''
```



DNS

Section 3.4

IPv6 DNS Configuration Attacks



Attacker becomes the DNS server of the victim using:

NDP

Man-in-the-Middle

Neighbor Cache Poisoning **Autoconfiguration**

SLAAC

DHCPv6



IPv6 DNS Configuration Attacks



Depending on answers to DNS queries

Man-in-the-Middle

DoS Attack





DHCPv6

Section 3.5

Introduction



Similar to IPv4

Client / Server

UDP

Uses Relays

Message names change SOLICIT

ADVERTISE

REQUEST

REPLY

. .



Multicast in DHCPv6



Servers and relays listen on multicast addresses

All DHCP Relay Agents and Servers FF02::1:2

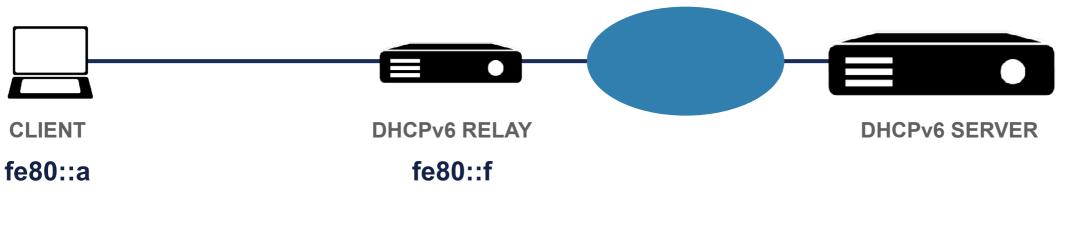
All DHCP Servers

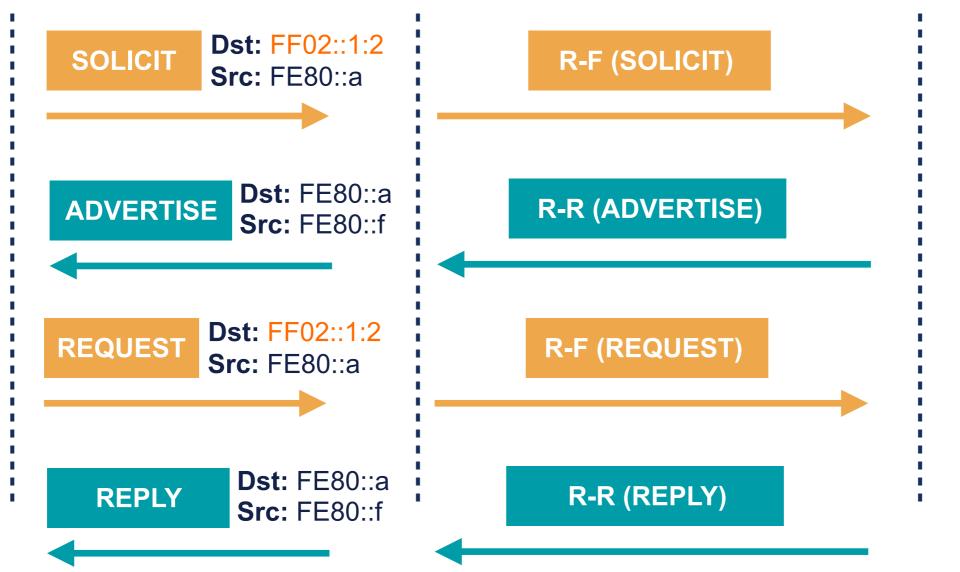
FF05::1:3



How DHCPv6 works



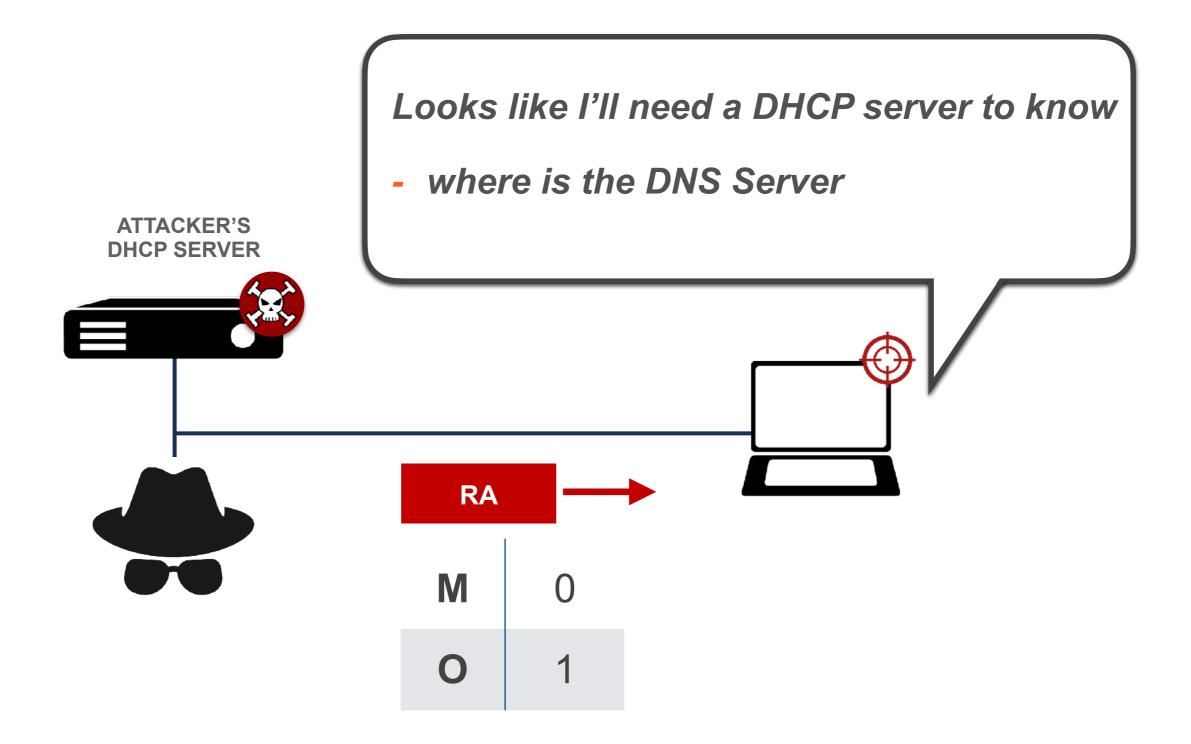






Triggering the use of DHCP







Privacy Considerations





Client information can be obtained from IDs like the MAC from Client-ID





Privacy Considerations





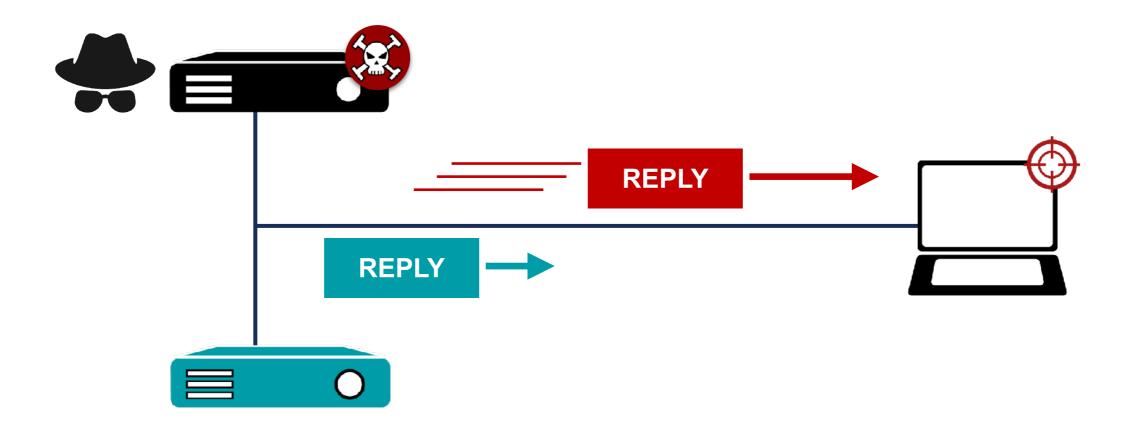
Server address assignment strategies:

- Iterative: scanning easier
- Identifier-based: easier to track activity
- Hash: better, but still allows activity tracking
- Random: better privacy





Answers before legitimate server





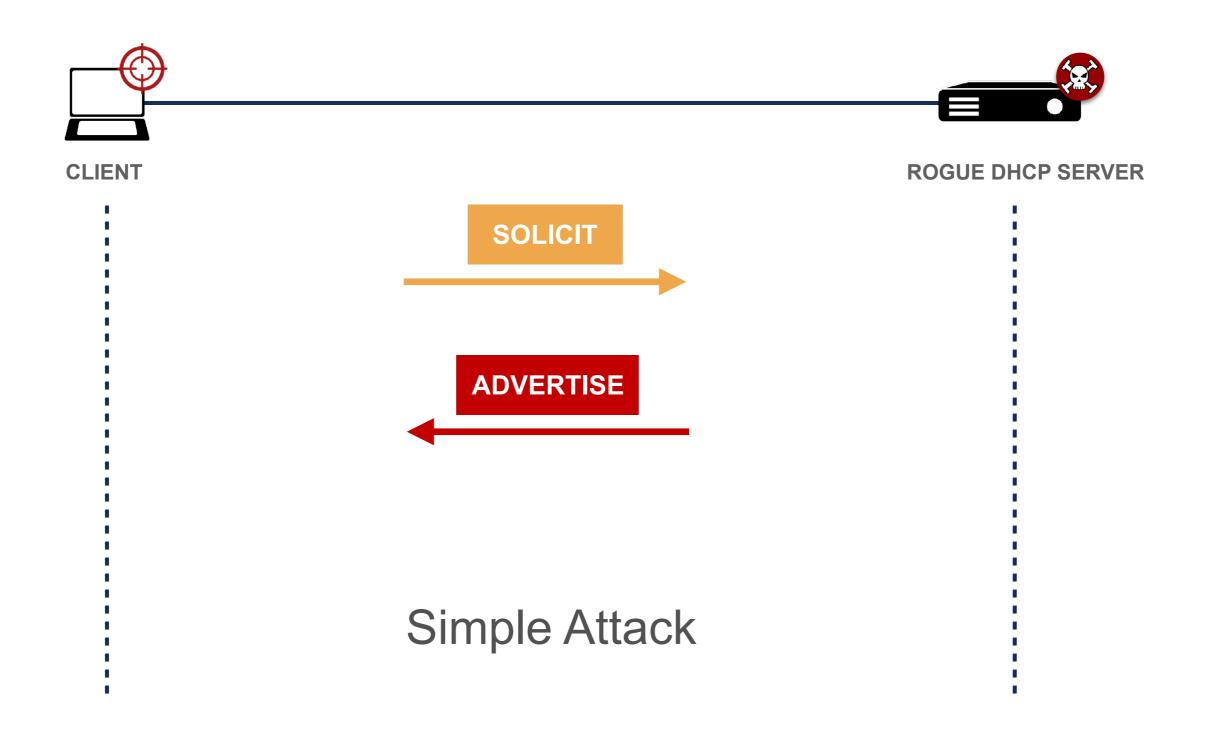


DHCP Exhaustion Attack



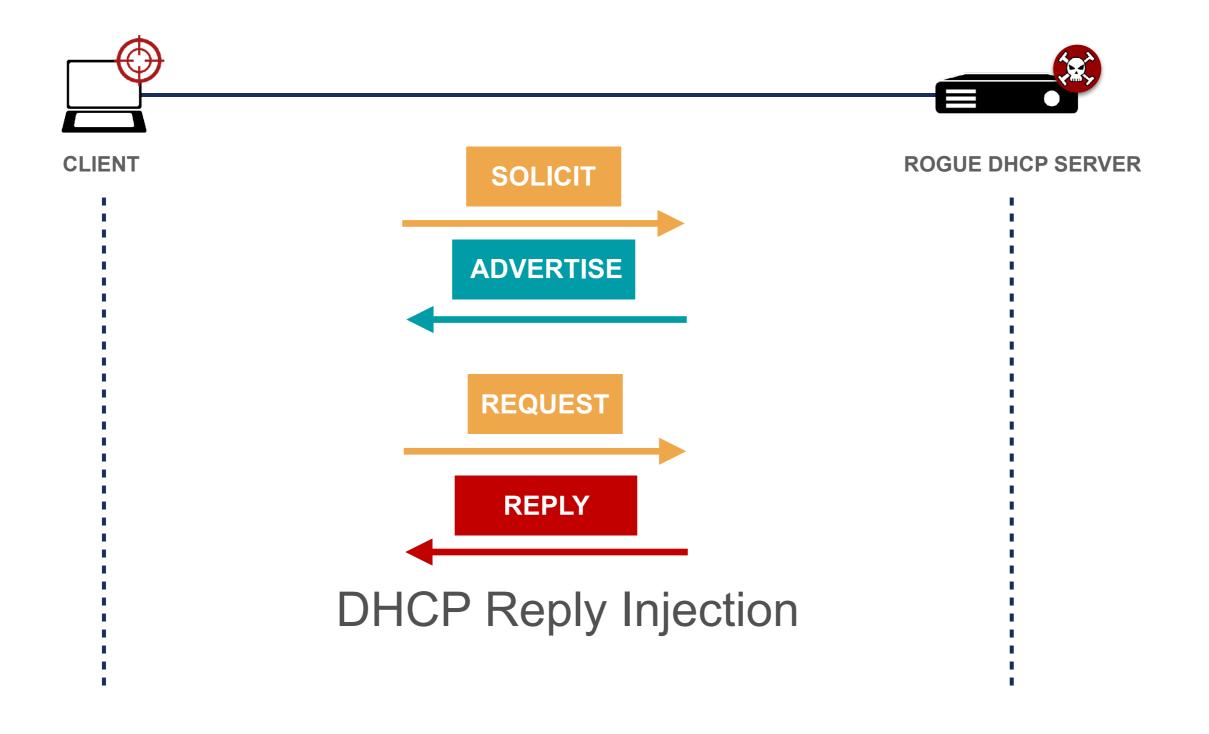














DHCPv6 Solutions



RFC8415 - Security Considerations

recommends RFC8213 - IPSec with Encryption





DHCPv6 Solutions



Secure DHCPv6 (with encryption)



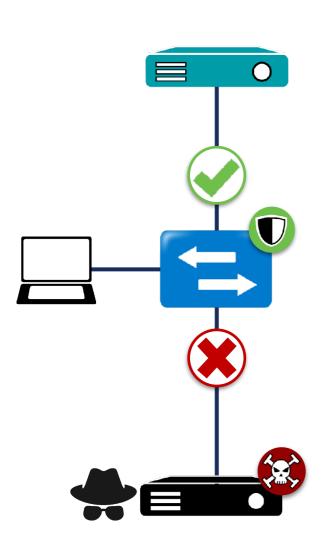
End-to-end encryption
Public key cryptography
Authentication



DHCPv6 Shield



RFC7610



- Protects clients only
- Implemented on L2 switches
- DHCPv6 Guard is vendor implementation





IPv6 Filtering

Section 4

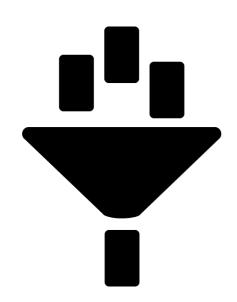


Filtering IPv6 Traffic

Section 4.1

Filtering in IPv6 is very Important!





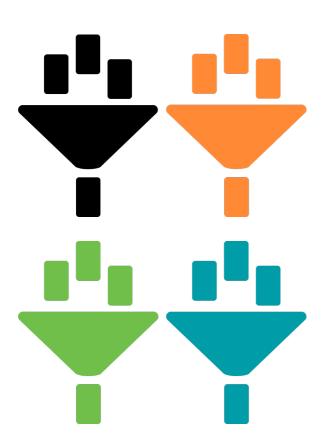
- Global Unicast Addresses
- A good addressing plan



Easier filtering!

New Filters to Take Into Account





- ICMPv6
- IPv6 Extension Headers
- Fragments Filtering
- Transition mechanisms (TMs) / Dual-Stack

Filtering ICMPv6



Type - Code	Description	Action
Type 1 - all	Destination Unreachable	ALLOW
Type 2	Packet Too Big	ALLOW
Type 3 - Code 0	Time Exceeded	ALLOW
Type 4 - Code 0, 1 & 2	Parameter Problem	ALLOW
Type 128	Echo Reply	ALLOW for troubleshoot and services. Rate limit
Type 129	Echo Request	ALLOW for troubleshoot and services. Rate limit
Types 131,132,133, 143	MLD	ALLOW if Multicast or MLD goes through FW
Type 133	Router Solicitation	ALLOW if NDP goes through FW
Type 134	Router Advertisement	ALLOW if NDP goes through FW
Type 135	Neighbour Solicitation	ALLOW if NDP goes through FW
Type 136	Neighbour Advertisement	ALLOW if NDP goes through FW
Type 137	Redirect	NOT ALLOW by default
Type 138	Router Renumbering	NOT ALLOW

More on RFC 4890 - https://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc4890



Filtering Extension Headers





- **Firewalls** should be able to:
 - 1. Recognise and filter some **EHs** (example: **RH0**)
 - 2. Follow the chain of headers
 - 3. Not allow **forbidden combinations** of headers



Filtering Fragments



Upper layer info not in 1st **fragment** Creates many tiny fragments to go through filtering / detection

Fragments inside fragments

Several fragment headers

Fragmentation inside a tunnel

External header hides fragmentation



Filtering Fragments



Upper layer info not in 1st Fragment

All header chain should be in the 1st fragment [RFC7112]

Fragments inside fragments

Should not happen in IPv6. Filter them

Fragmentation inside a tunnel

FW / IPS / IDS should support inspection of encapsulated traffic



Filtering TMs / Dual-stack



Technology	Filtering Rules
Native IPv6	EtherType 0x86DD
6in4	IP proto 41
6in4 (GRE)	IP proto 47
6in4 (6-UDP-4)	IP proto 17 + IPv6
6to4	IP proto 41
6RD	IP proto 41
ISATAP	IP proto 41
Teredo	UDP Dest Port 3544
Tunnel Broker with TSP	(IP proto 41) (UDP dst port 3653 TCP dst port 3653)
AYIYA	UDP dest port 5072 TCP dest port 5072

More on RFC 7123 - https://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc7123

IANA Protocol Numbers -

https://www.iana.org/assignments/protocol-numbers/protocol-numbers.xhtml



IPv6 Packet Filtering



Much more important in IPv6



Common IPv4 Practices



New IPv6 Considerations

End to End needs filtering

ICMPv6 should be wisely filtered

Filtering adapted to IPv6: EHs, TMs



Filtering IPv6 Traffic

Exercise 4.1

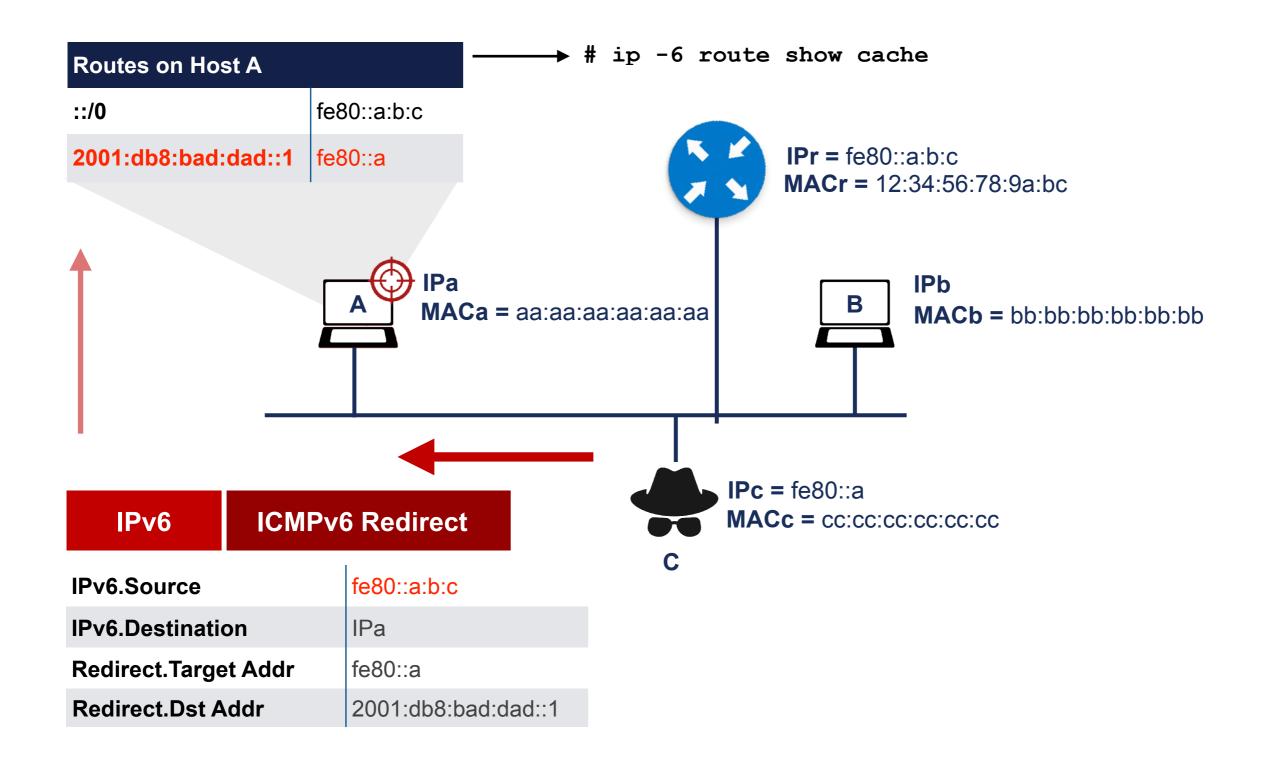
Exercise 4.1 IPv6 Packet Filtering



- Description: Configure IPv6 packet filters
- Goals:
 - Understand IPv6 packet filtering
 - Learn how to use ip6tables on Linux hosts
- Time: 20 minutes
- Tasks:
 - Configure IPv6 packet filtering rules

4.1: IPv6 Packet Filtering - Redirect







Internet Wide IPv6 Security

Section 5



DDoS

Section 5.1

DDoS attacks in IPv6?





First IPv6 Distributed Denial of Service Internet attacks seen

You know IPv6 must finally be making it: The first IPv6 Distributed Denial of Service Internet attacks have been spotted in the wild.





{* NETWORKS *}

It's begun: 'First' IPv6 denial-of-service attack puts IT bods on notice

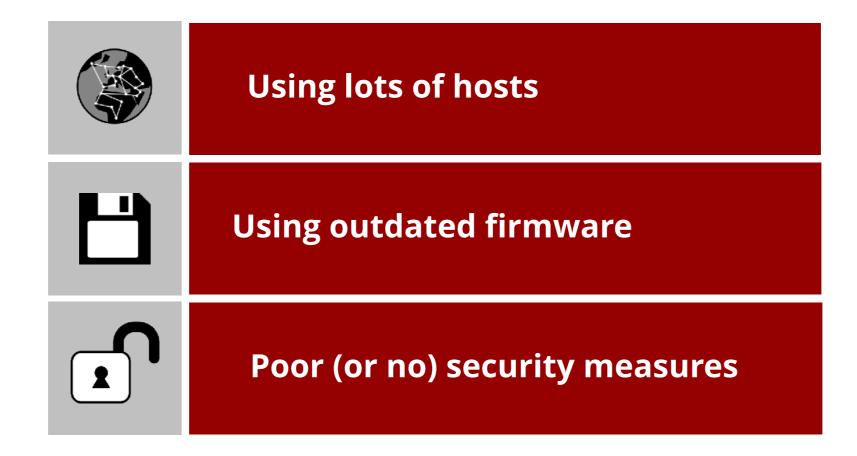
Internet engineers warn this is only the beginning

Kieren McCarthy in San Francisco

Sat 3 Mar 2018 // 09:30 UTC

DDoS factors related with IPv6







DDoS factors related with IPv6



Filter traffic Don't allow access to all IPv6 addresses
Update firmware
Use security measures for IPv6
Ingress / Egress filtering and RPF
Hierarchical IPv6 address assignment





IPv6 Transition Mechanisms

Section 5.2

Temporary solution...





With security risks!



- In IPv4-only infrastructure expect dual-stack hosts:
 - VPNs or tunnels
 - Undesired local IPv6 traffic
 - Automatic Transition Mechanisms
 - Problems with rogue RAs



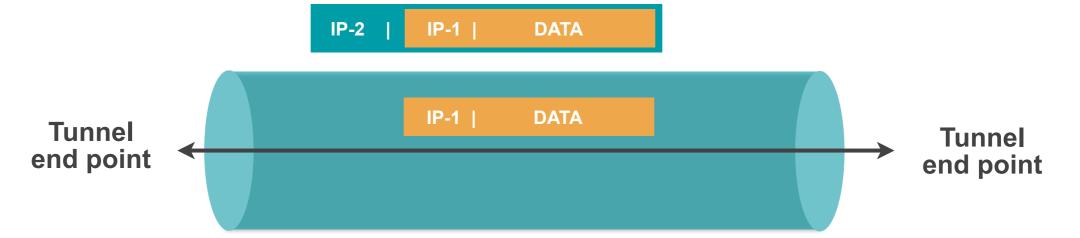
Dual-stack



Bigger attack surface	Protect IPv6 at the same level as IPv4
GUA Addresses	Filter end-to-end IPv6 properly
Use one IP version to attack the other	Don't trust "IPv4-only"

Tunnelling







Attackers need knowledge of

- Version of IP-1 and IP-2
- Tunnel end points addresses
- Tunneling protocol

To create tailor-made packets for

- Traffic Injection
- Unauthorised use
- Reflection attack
- Loop attack



- Filtering
- Authentication

Translation



IPSec can't be used end-to-end			
DNSSEC can't be used with DNS64			
Reflection attack	Must support filtering		
IP pool depletion attack	Implementations should protect		
ALG (Application Level Gateway) CPU Attack	themselves against exhaustion attacks		



IPv6 Security Tips and Tools

Section 6

Introduction



1	Best security tool is knowledge
2	IPv6 security is a moving target
3	IPv6 is happening: need to know about IPv6 security
4	Cybersecurity challenge: Scalability IPv6 is also responsible for Internet growth

Tips



- IPv6 quite similar to IPv4, many reusable practices
- IPv6 security compared with IPv4:

No changes with IPv6

Changes with IPv6

New IPv6 issues

Up to date information



Information category	Standardisation Bodies	Vulnerabilities Databases	Security Tools	Cybersecurity Organisations	Vendors	Public Forums
Sub-categories	IETF, 3GPP, Broadband Forum		Vulnerability Scanners	CSIRTs / CERTs Gov. / LEAs		Mailing Lists Groups of Interest Security Events
Information in this category	Security considerations	Vulnerability ID (CVE-ID, other)	Vulnerability ID (CVE-ID, other)	Vulnerability ID (CVE-ID, other)	Vulnerability ID (CVE-ID, other)	"0 Day" vulnerabilities
tins category	Protocol updates Security recommendations	Severity (CVSS, other) Description Affected systems Solutions and workarounds	Severity (CVSS, other) Description Affected systems Solutions and workarounds Affected devices in your network	Severity (CVSS, other) Description Affected systems Solutions and workarounds "0 Day" vulnerabilities	Severity (CVSS, other) Description Affected systems Solutions and workarounds "0 Day" vulnerabilities	News Trends Lessons learned
Examples	RFCs, I-Ds	NVD, CVE	OpenVAS	CERT-EU ENISA EUROPOL/EC3	Cisco, Juniper, MS, Kaspersky, etc.	NOGs, IETF, IPv6 Hackers, Reddit, Troopers, etc.

Examples



Manual

CVE

cve.mitre.org/cve/search_cve_list.html

Search for: ICMPv6 windows

NVD

https://nvd.nist.gov/vuln/search

Search for: CVE-2020-16899

Go to vendor's link

Automated

OpenVAS

Name ▼		Status	Reports	Last Report	Severity
Windows Workgroup Test	69	Stopped at 2 %	1		
Windows Domain Test	69	Stopped at 2 %	1		
DMZ Mail Scan	69	Container			
EulerOS Scan	69	Stopped at 22 %	74	Thu, Dec 26, 2019 6:00 AM UTC	10.0 (High)
TLS Map Scan	4	Done	1	Fri, Dec 27, 2019 1:38 PM UTC	0.0 (Log)
Metasploitable Test - GSM Master	69	Done	1	Fri, Jan 3, 2020 11:29 AM UTC	10.0 (High)
DMZ Mail Scan 2	69	New			
system discovery	69	Done	1	Fri, Dec 20, 2019 10:29 AM UTC	0.0 (Log)

Homework



Go to NVD: https://nvd.nist.gov/vuln/search

Search for IPv6 + your vendor

Security Tools



Type	Can be used for	Examples		
	Assessing IPv6 security			
Packet	Testing implementations	Scapy, nmap, Ostinato, TRex		
Generators	Learning about protocols			
	Proof of concept of attacks/protocols			
	Understanding attacks and security measures			
Packet Sniffers/ Analyzers	Learning about protocols and implementations	tcpdump, Scapy, Wireshark, termshark		
Allalyzers	Troubleshooting	Wilesilark, terrisilark		
	Assessing IPv6 security			
Specialised	Learning about protocols and implementations	THC-IPV6, The IPv6		
Toolkits	Proof of concept of attacks/protocols	Toolkit, Ettercap		
	Learn about new attacks			
Scanners	Finding devices and information	nman Onan\/\C		
Scaillers	Proactively protect against vulnerabilities	nmap, OpenVAS		
	Understanding attacks and security measures	Snort, Suricata, Zeek		
IDC/IDC	Learning about protocols and implementations			
IDS/IPS	Assessing IPv6 security			
	Learn about new attacks			

Devices Categories (RIPE-772)



Host

IPSec (if needed)

RH0 [RFC5095]

Overlapping Frags [RFC5722]

Atomic Fragments [RFC6946]

NDP Fragmentation [RFC6980]

Header chain [RFC7112]

Stable IIDs [RFC8064][RFC7217] [RFC7136]

Temp. Address
Extensions
[RFC8981]

Disable if not used: LLMNR, mDNS, DNS-SD, transition mechanisms **Switch**

HOST+

IPv6 ACLs

FHS

RA-Guard [*RFC6105*]

DHCPv6 guard

IPv6 snooping

IPv6 source / prefix guard

IPv6 destination guard

MLD snooping [RFC4541]

DHCPv6-Shield [RFC7610]

Router

HOST +

Ingress Filtering and RPF

DHCPv6 Relay [RFC8213]

OSPFv3

Auth. [RFC4552]

or / and [RFC7166]

IS-IS

[RFC5310]

or, less preferred, [RFC5304]

MBGP

TCP-AO [RFC5925]

MD5 Signature Option [RFC2385] Obsoleted

MBGP Bogon prefix filtering

Security Equipment

HOST+

Header chain [RFC7112]

Support EHs Inspection

ICMPv6 fine grained filtering

Encapsulated Traffic Inspection

IPv6 Traffic Filtering

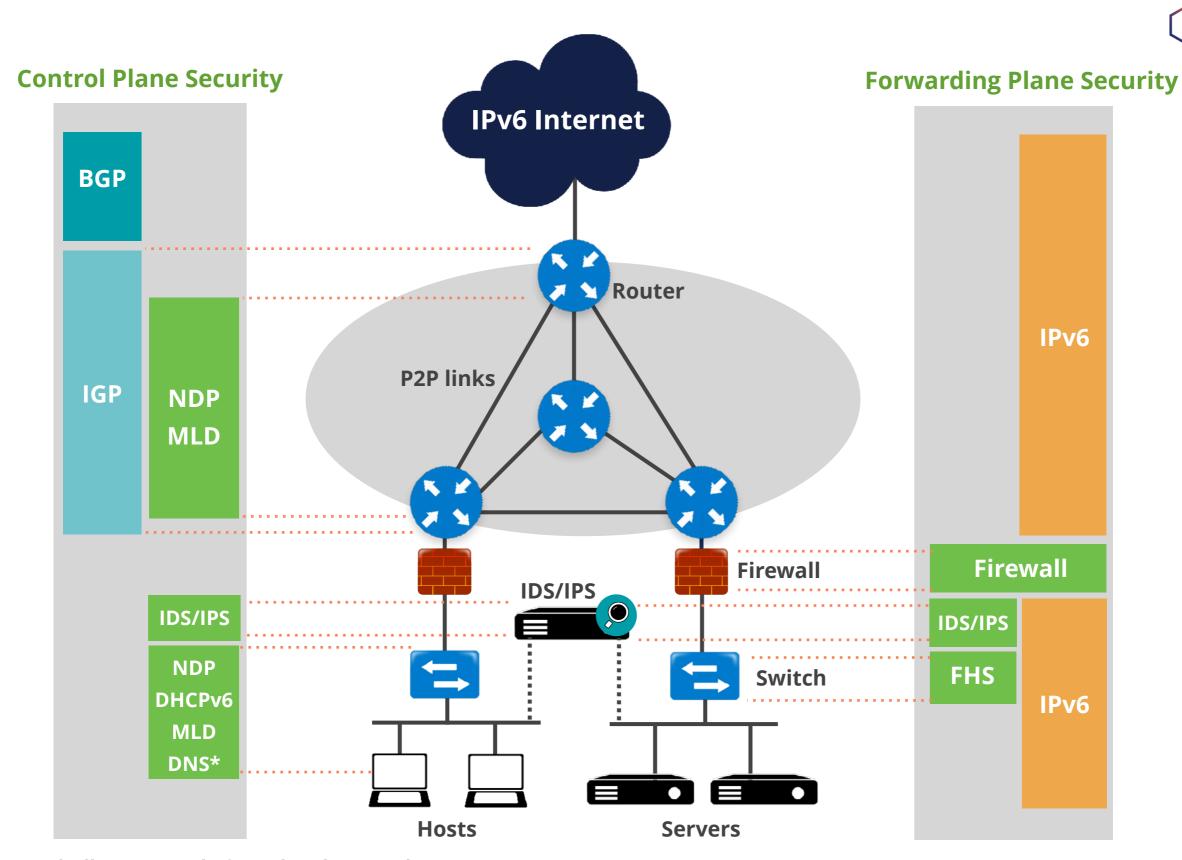
CPE

Router

Security Equipment

DHCPv6 Server Privacy Issues





^{*} All Name resolution related protocols

What's Next in IPv6





Webinars



Face-to-face



E-learning

Examinations

Attend another webinar live wherever you are.

- Introduction to IPv6 (2 hrs)
- IPv6 Addressing Plan (1 hr)
- Basic IPv6 Protocol Security (2 hrs)
- IPv6 Associated Protocols (2 hrs)
- IPv6 Security Myths, Filtering and Tips (2 hrs)

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- Advanced IPv6 (17 hrs)
- IPv6 Security (8.5 hrs)

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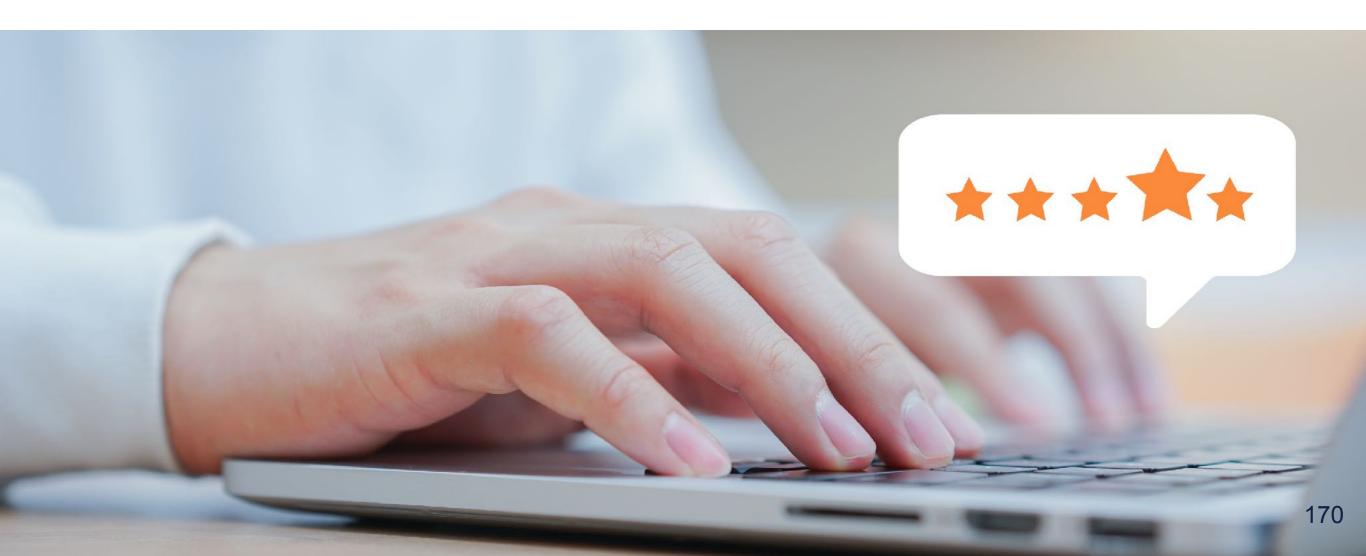
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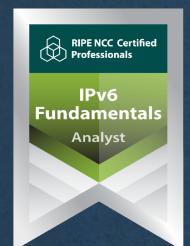
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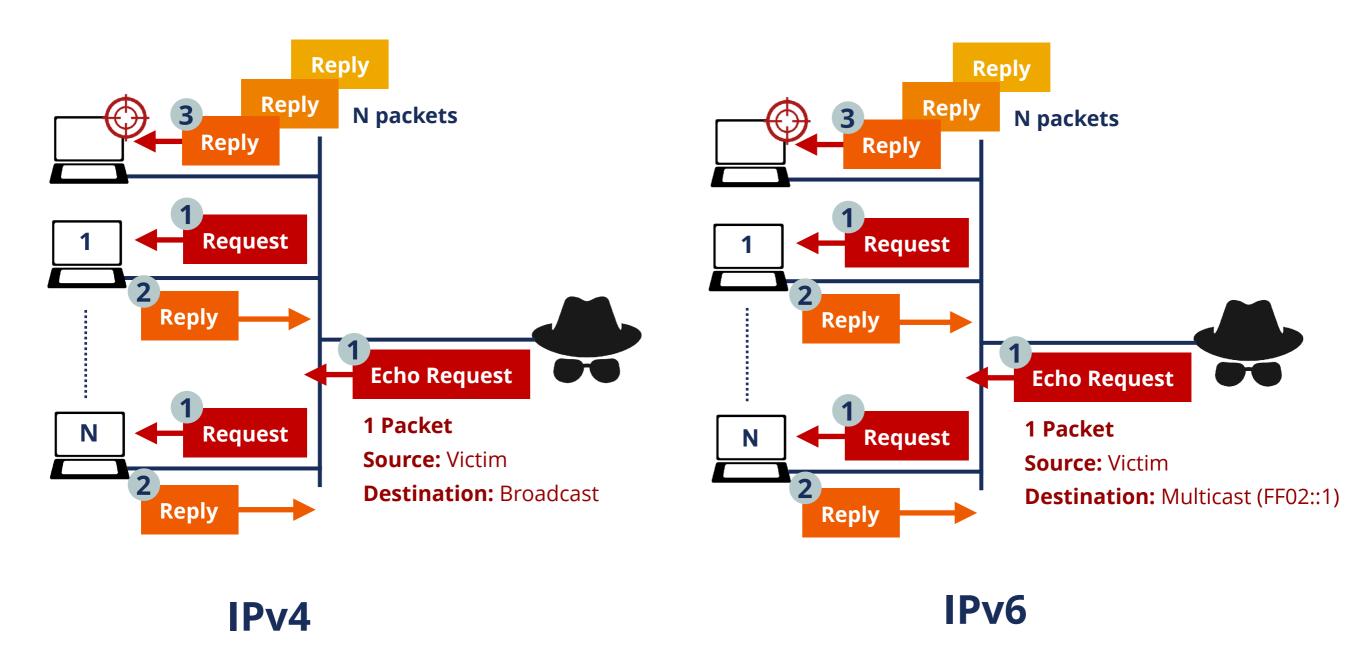
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Extra: Smurf Attack





Extra: DoS / DDoS



 DoS (Denial of Service): Type of attack that is able to make a service or protocol to stop working.

 DDoS (Distributed DoS): Is a type of DoS attack that is performed from several devices.

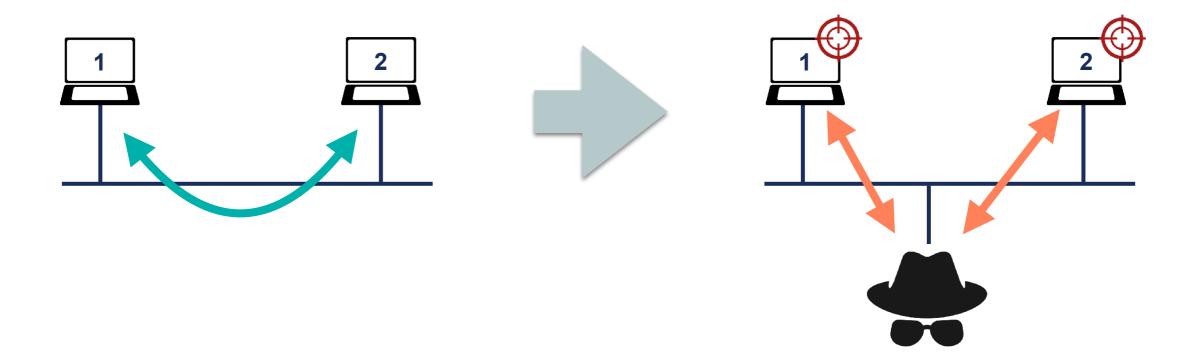
 Example: send too much traffic to a link, so that the routers can't handle it, overloading them



Extra: MITM



- Man-In-The-Middle attack:
 - The attacker is able to be on the path of the packets

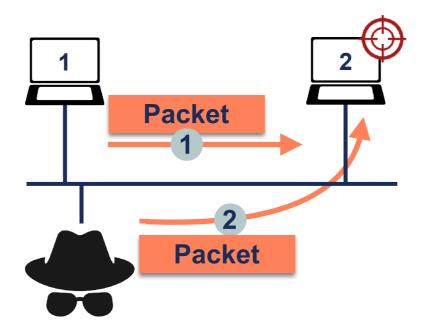


Extra: Replay Attacks

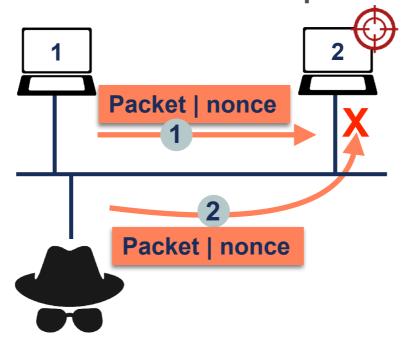


Replay Attacks consist in sending again a previous

packet

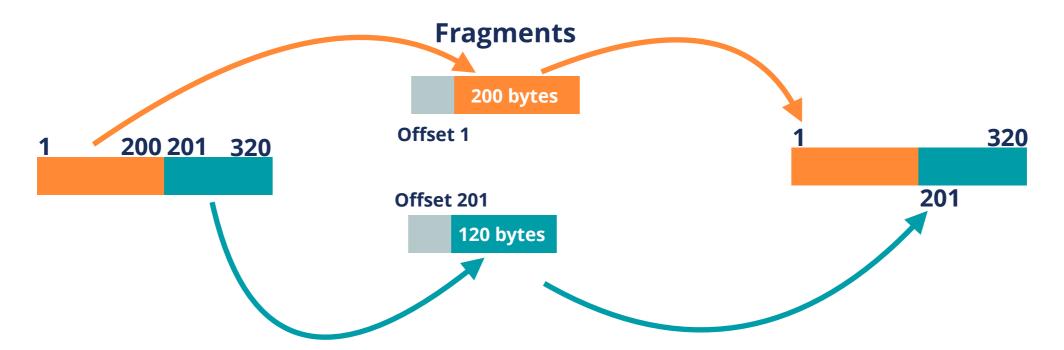


Solution: nonce or timestamp (makes packet unique)

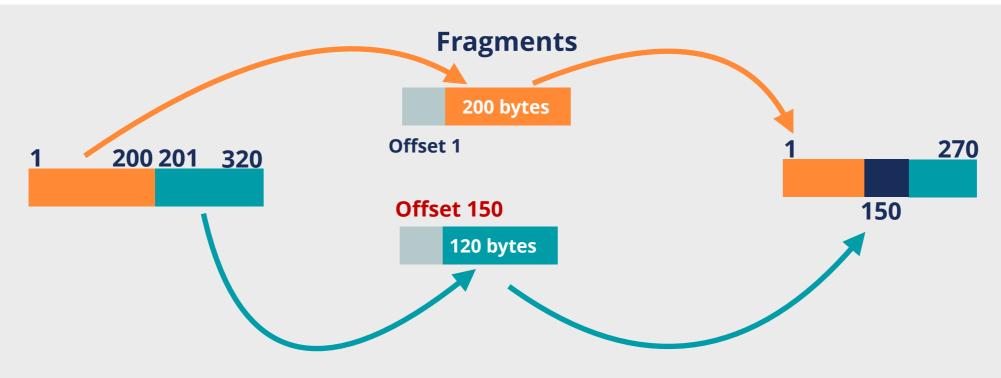


Extra: Overlapping Fragments





Normal fragments offset say where the data goes



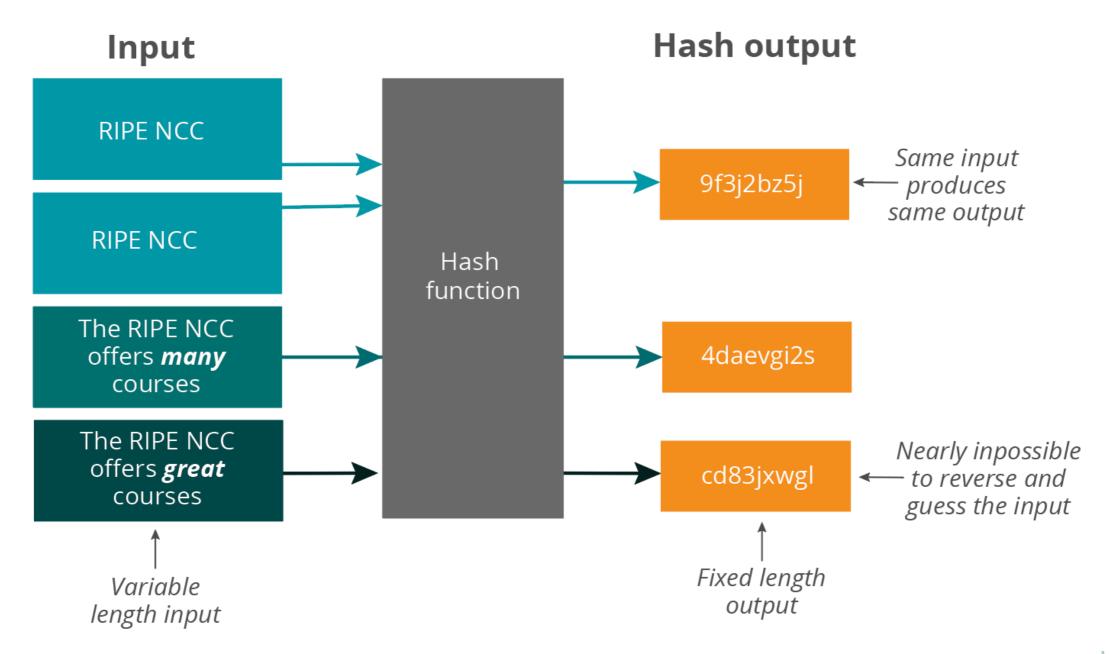




Extra: Hash Function



- Input: Variable length bit string, for example a text
- Output: Fixed length bit string, represented by a series of characters





Extra Reference Slides



IPv6 Associated Protocols Security

Section 3



IPv6 Routing protocols

Section 3.6



THIS SECTION

Authentication of neighbors/peers

Securing routing updates

NOT COVERED

Route filtering

SAME AS IPv4

Router Hardening



Neighbors/Peers Authentication



	Authentication Options	Comments			
RIPng	No authenticationIPsec (general recommendation)	 RIPv2-like MD5 no longer available IPSec not available in practice 			
OSPFv3	IPsec [RFC4552]Authentication Trailer [RFC7166]	 ESP or AH. Manual keys Hash of OSPFv3 values. Shared key 			
IS-IS	HMAC-MD5 [RFC5304]HMAC-SHA [RFC5310]	 MD5 not recommended Many SHA, or any other hash 			
MBGP	TCP MD5 Signature Option [RFC2385]TCP-AO [RFC5925]	 Protects TCP. Available. Obsoleted Protects TCP. Recommended 			



Securing Routing Updates



- IPsec is a general solution for IPv6 communication
 - In practice not easy to use

- OSPFv3 specifically states [RFC4552]:
 - 1. ESP must be used
 - 2. Manual Keying

Other protocols: No options available



Conclusions



Security options available for IPv6 routing protocols

- Try to use them:
 - Depending on the protocol you use
 - At least at the same level as IPv4



IPv6 Filtering

Section 4



Filtering IPv6 Routing Information

Section 4.2

IPv6 BGP Bogon Prefix Filtering



Use	Prefix			
Default	::/0			
Unspecified Address	::/128			
Loopback Address	::1/128			
IPv4-mapped Addresses	::ffff:0.0.0.0/96			
IPv4-compatible Addresses (deprecated)	::/96			
Link-local Addresses	fe80::/10			
Site-local Addresses (deprecated)	fec0::/10			
Unique-local addresses	fc00::/7			
Multicast Addresses	ff00::/8			
Documentation addresses	2001:db8::/32			
6Bone Addresses (deprecated)	3ffe::/16, 5f00::/8			
ORCHID	2001:10::/28			

Team Cymru: https://team-cymru.com/community-services/bogon-reference/



MANRS (www.manrs.org)



- Secure and Resilient Internet is a collaborative effort
- Concrete actions for: network operators, IXPs, CDN/ Cloud providers
- IPv6 and IPv4 BGP



MANRS Network Operators Actions



Facilitate Global Coordination	Keep contact information updated: RIPE DB, LIR Portal, PeeringDB				
Facilitate Routing Information Validation	Route Objects	RP	KI Document Policy		
Prevent IP Spoofing	uRPF		Ingress Filtering [RFC2827][RFC3704]		
Prevent Incorrect Routing Information	Define Routing Policy		Check BGP Announcements (RPKI / ROAs)		
	BGP Bogon Filtering		BGPsec (?)		





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Section 5



BGP Hijacking

Section 5.3

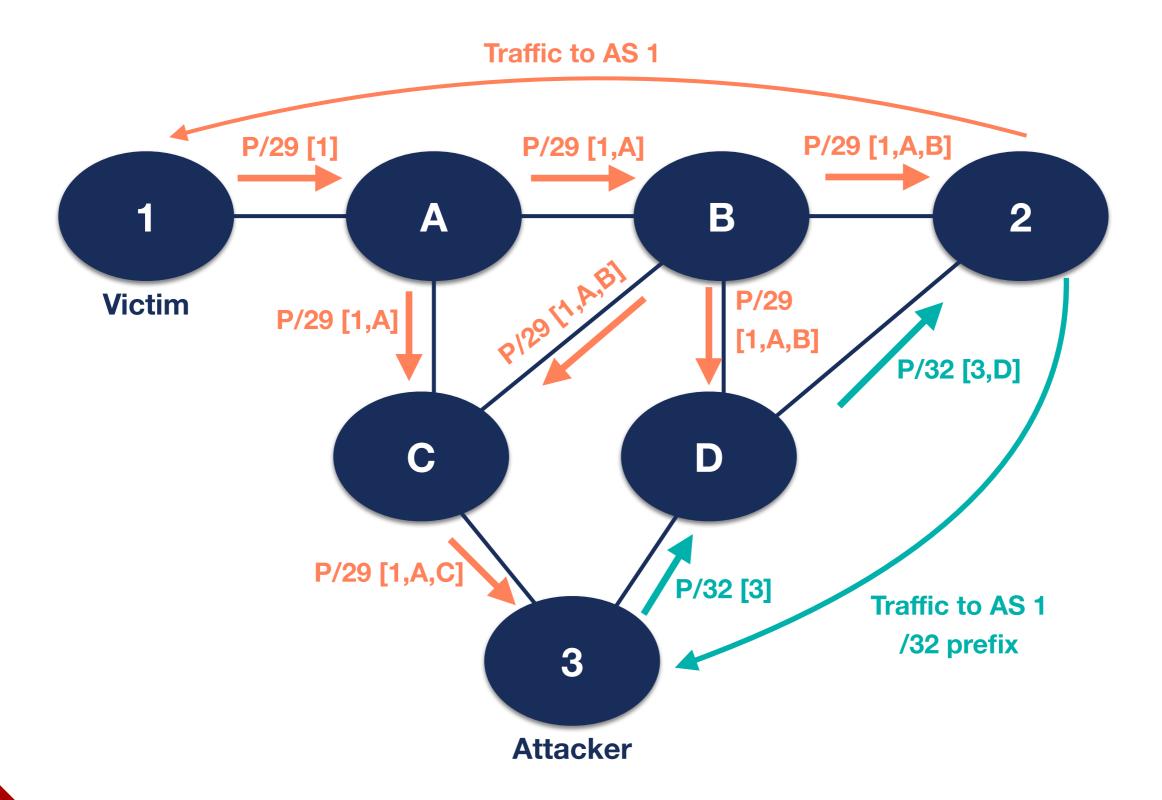
Introduction



- BGP is a control plane protocol (application level)
- Hijack techniques same in IPv6 and IPv4
- Protection techniques as well

BGP Prefix Hijack - Fake Origin

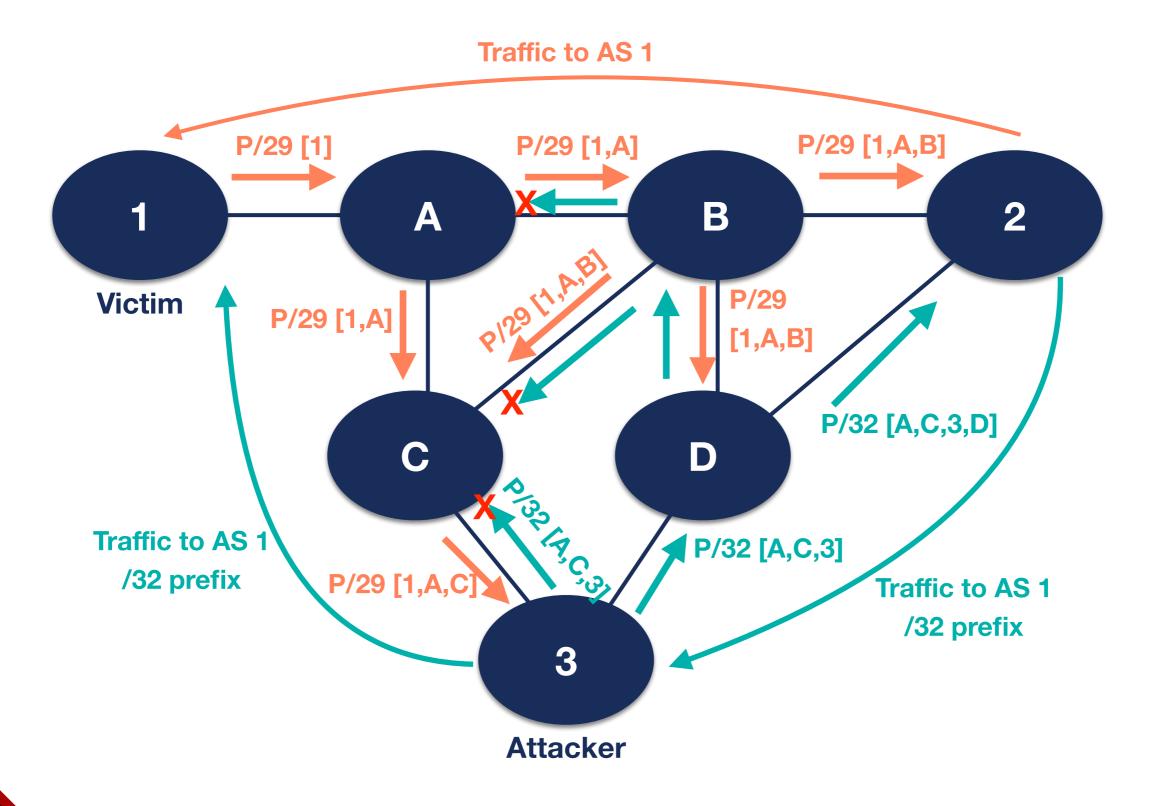






BGP MITM - Fake AS-path







BGP Hijack: Solutions



- To secure BGP for IPv6:
- 1. Route Filtering
- 2. RPKI
- 3. BGPsec (in the future)

• Temporary: More specific announcement

