

IPv6 Security Threats and Mitigations

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- Security Issues Shared by IPv4 and IPv6
- Security Issues Specific to IPv6
- Enforcing Security policies
- Demo: IPv6 DoS attack & Protocol Anomaly
- References

IPv6 Refresher



IPv4 and IPv6 Header Comparison

IPv4 Header

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

IPv6 Header

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

Legend

- Field's Name Kept from IPv4 to IPv6
- Fields Not Kept in IPv6
- Name and Position Changed in IPv6
- New Field in IPv6

IPv6 Address Types

- Three types of unicast address scopes

Link-Local – Non routable exists on single layer 2 domain (**FE80::/64**)

FE80:0000:0000:0000: **XXXX:XXXX:XXXX:XXXX**

Unique-Local (ULA) – Routable with an administrative domain (**FC00::/7**)

FC00:gggg:gggg: **ssss:** **XXXX:XXXX:XXXX:XXXX**

Global – Routable across the Internet (**2000::/3**)

2000:GGGG:GGGG: **ssss:** **XXXX:XXXX:XXXX:XXXX**

- Interface “expected” to have multiple addresses
- Multicast addresses begin with **FF00::/8**

FFfs: **XXXX:XXXX:XXXX:XXXX:XXXX:XXXX:XXXX**

IPv6 Addresses – Unicast and Multicast Examples

```
Router#sh ipv6 int Ethernet0
Ethernet0 is up, line protocol is up
IPv6 is enabled, link-local address is
FE80::2D0:D3FF:FE81:9000
```

```
Global unicast address(es):
  2001:DB8:12::1, subnet is 2001:DB8:12:::/64
```

```
Joined group address(es):
```

```
FF02::1
```

```
FF02::2
```

```
FF02::5
```

```
FF02::D
```

```
FF02::16
```

```
FF02::1:FF00:1
```

```
FF02::1:FF81:9000
```

Link-Local

Global

All nodes

All routers

OSPF Routers

All PIM Routers

All MLDv2 capable Routers

IPv6 is not that different than IPv4

- Layer2 remains unchanged
- Layer4 (TCP, UDP..) and above unchanged
- Same routing protocols: BGP, OSPF, RIP
- Only Four major changes
 - Larger Addresses (128 bits compared to 32 bits)
 - Multiple addresses per host.
 - Fixed length header.
 - ARP is replaced with ND protocol.
- But lot of security implications.



Security Issues Shared by IPv4 and IPv6

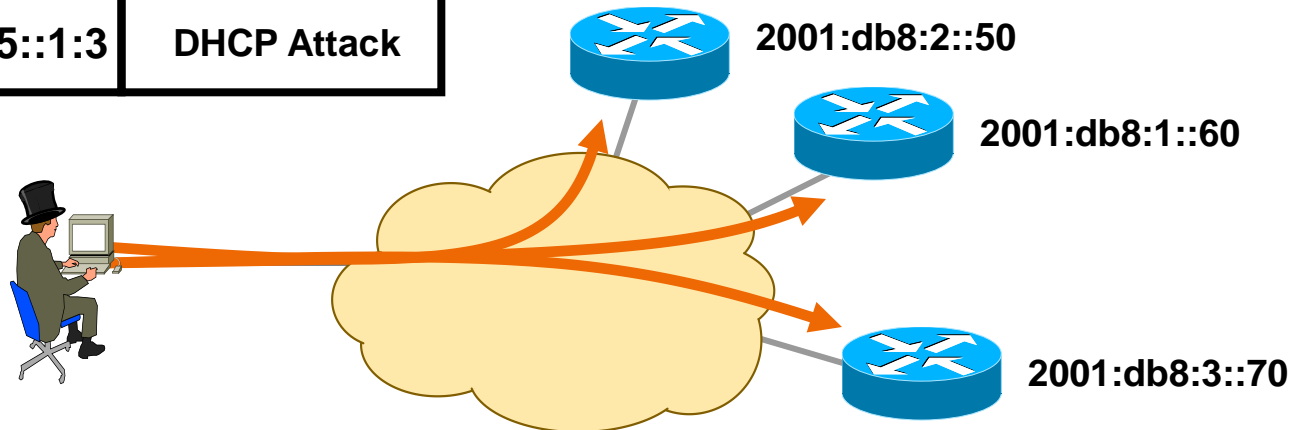
Reconnaissance in IPv6

- Default subnets in IPv6 have 2^{64} addresses
10 Mpps = more than 50 000 years
- Public servers will still need to be DNS reachable
- Administrators may adopt easy-to-remember addresses
(::10,::20,::F00D, ::C5C0, :d09:f00d or simply IPv4 last octet for dual stack)
- By compromising hosts in a network, an attacker can learn new addresses to scan
- Transition techniques derive IPv6 address from IPv4 address

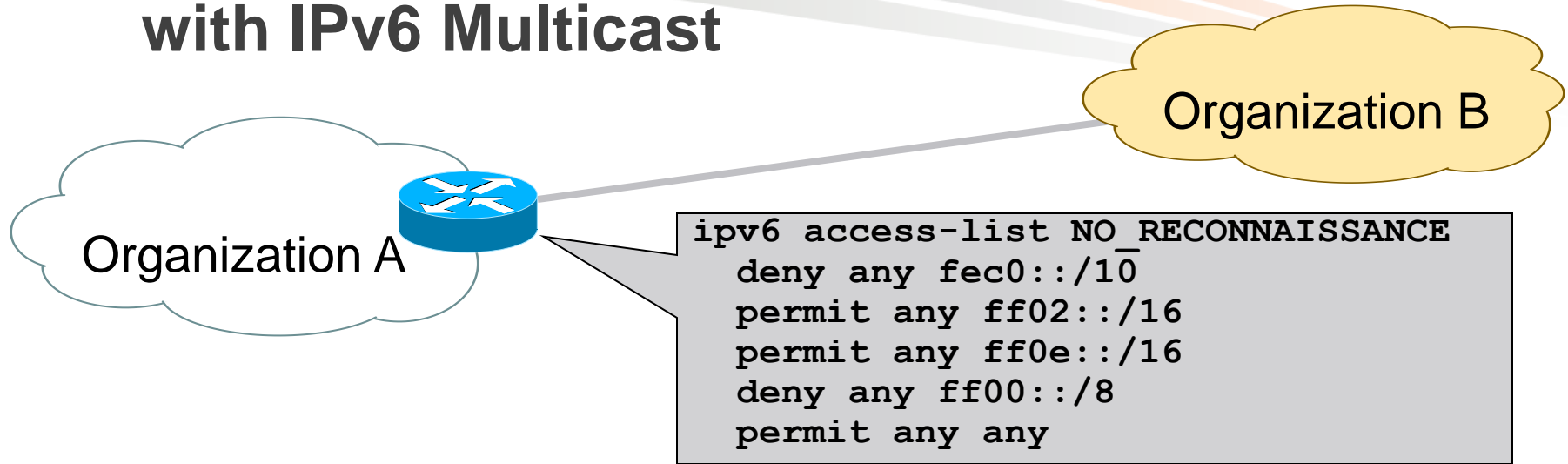
Reconnaissance in IPv6? Easy with Multicast!

- No need for reconnaissance anymore
- 3 site-local multicast addresses
 - FF05::2 all-routers, FF05::FB mDNSv6, FF05::1:3 all DHCP servers
- Several link-local multicast addresses
 - FF02::1 all nodes, FF02::2 all routers

Source	Destination	Payload
Attacker	FF05::1:3	DHCP Attack



Preventing Reconnaissance with IPv6 Multicast



- The site-local/anycast addresses must be filtered at the border in order to make them unreachable from the outside
- ACL block ingress/egress traffic to
 - Block FEC0::/10 (deprecated site-local addresses)
 - Permit mcast to FF02::/16 (link-local scope)
 - Permit mcast to FF0E::/16 (global scope)
 - Block all mcast

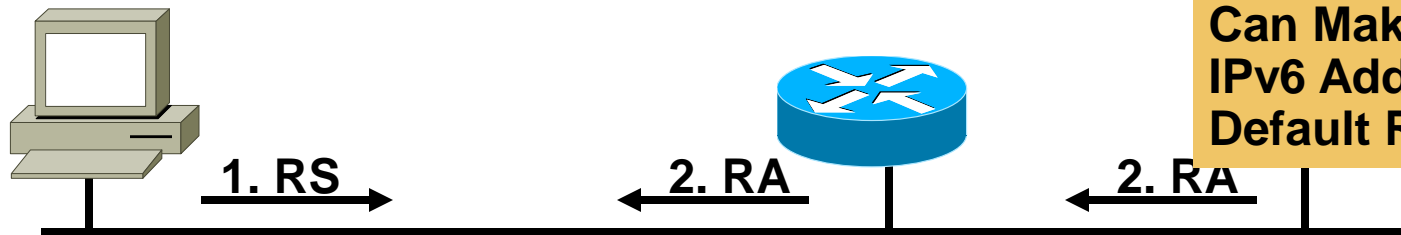
Neighbor Discovery Issue#1 Stateless Autoconfiguration

Router Solicitations Are Sent by Booting Nodes to Request Router Advertisements for Stateless Address Auto-Configuring

RA/RS w/o Any Authentication Gives Exactly Same Level of Security as ARP for IPv4 (None)

Attack Tool:
fake_router6

Can Make Any IPv6 Address the Default Router



1. RS:

Src = ::

Dst = All-Routers
multicast Address

ICMP Type = 133

Data = Query: please send RA

2. RA:

Src = Router Link-local
Address

Dst = All-nodes multicast
address

ICMP Type = 134

Data = options, prefix, lifetime,
autoconfig flag

Neighbor Discovery Issue#2

Neighbor Solicitation



Src = A
Dst = Solicited-node multicast of B
ICMP type = 135
Data = link-layer address of A
Query: what is your link address?

Src = B
Dst = A
ICMP type = 136
Data = link-layer address of B

**A and B Can Now Exchange
Packets on This Link**

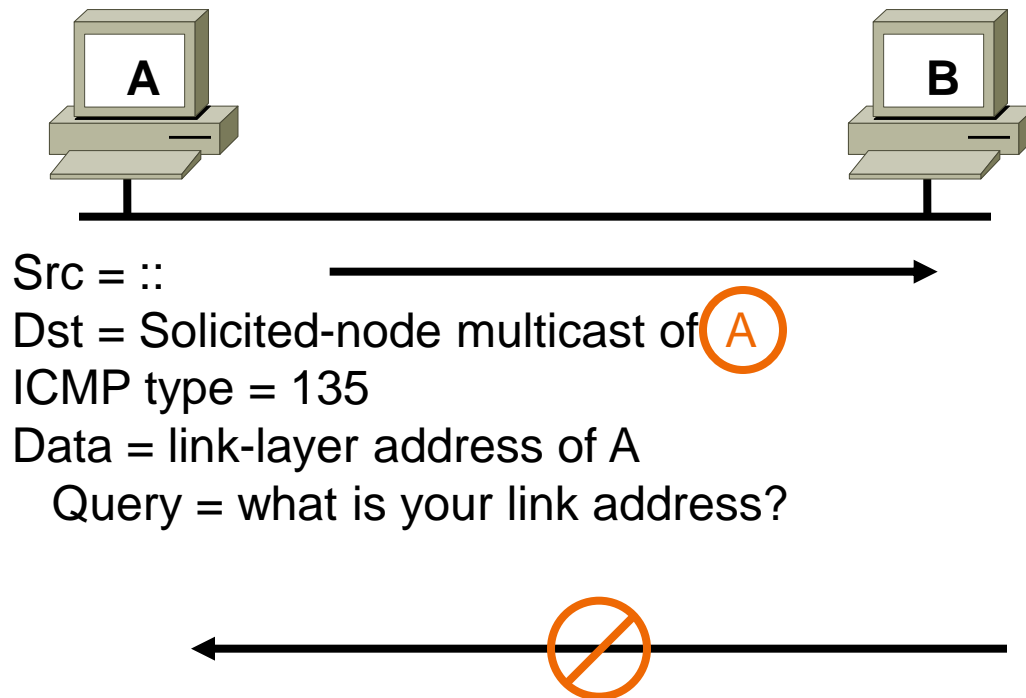
**Security Mechanisms
Built into Discovery
Protocol = None**

=> Very similar to ARP

**Attack Tool:
Parasite6
Answer to all NS,
Claiming to Be All
Systems in the LAN...**

Neighbor Discovery Issue#3 Duplicate Address Detection

Duplicate Address Detection (DAD) Uses neighbor solicitation to verify the existence of an address to be configured



From RFC 2462:
« If a Duplicate @
Is Discovered...
the Address Cannot
Be Assigned to the
Interface»
⇔ **What If: Use MAC@
of the Node You Want
to DoS and Claim Its
IPv6 @**

Attack Tool:
Dos-new-ipv6

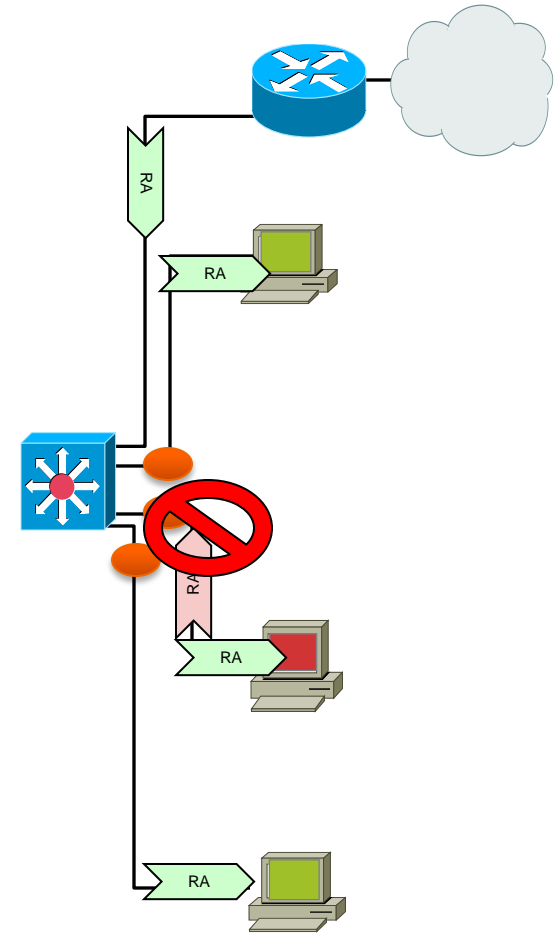
Protecting Against Rogue RA

- Port ACL (see later) blocks all ICMPv6 Router Advertisements from hosts

```
interface FastEthernet3/13
  switchport mode access
  ipv6 traffic-filter ACCESS_PORT in
  access-group mode prefer port
```

- RA-guard feature in host mode (12.2(33)SX14 & 12.2(54)SG): also dropping all RA received on this port

```
interface FastEthernet3/13
  switchport mode access
  ipv6 nd raguard
  access-group mode prefer port
```



Secure Neighbor Discovery (SEND) RFC 3971

- Certification paths
 - Anchored on trusted parties, expected to certify the authority of the routers on some prefixes
- Cryptographically Generated Addresses (CGA)
 - IPv6 addresses whose interface identifiers are cryptographically generated
- RSA signature option
 - Protect all messages relating to neighbor and router discovery
- Timestamp and nonce options
 - Prevent replay attacks

ND threat Mitigation using SEND

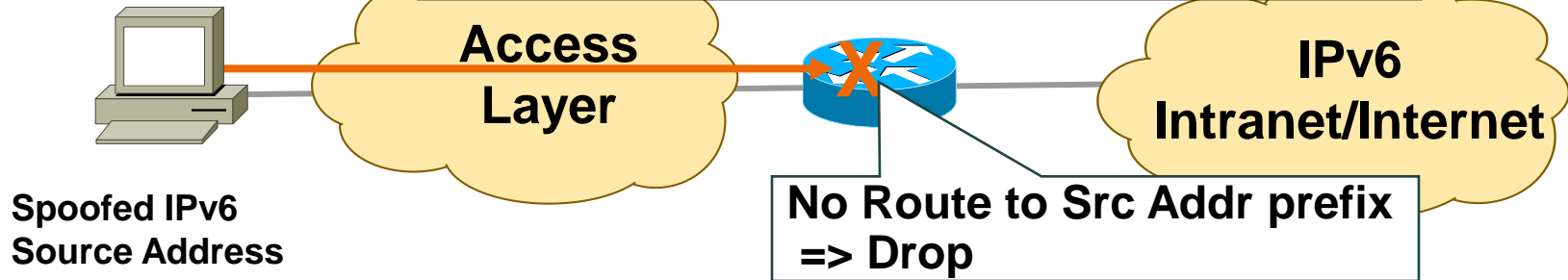
Threats	How SEND counters?
Neighbor Solicitation/Advertisement Spoofing	SEND requires the RSA Signature and CGA options to be present in solicitations
Neighbor Unreachability Detection Failure	SEND requires a node responding to Neighbor Solicitations probes to include an RSA Signature option and proof of authorization to use the interface identifier in the address being probed.
Duplicate Address Detection DoS Attack	SEND requires to include an RSA Signature option and proof of authorization in the Neighbor Advertisements sent as responses to DAD
Router Solicitation and Advertisement Attacks	SEND requires Router Advertisements to contain an RSA Signature option and proof of authorization.
Replay Attacks	SEND includes a Nonce option in the solicitation and requires the advertisement to include a matching option.

L3 Spoofing in IPv6

uRPF Remains the Primary Tool for Protecting Against L3 Spoofing

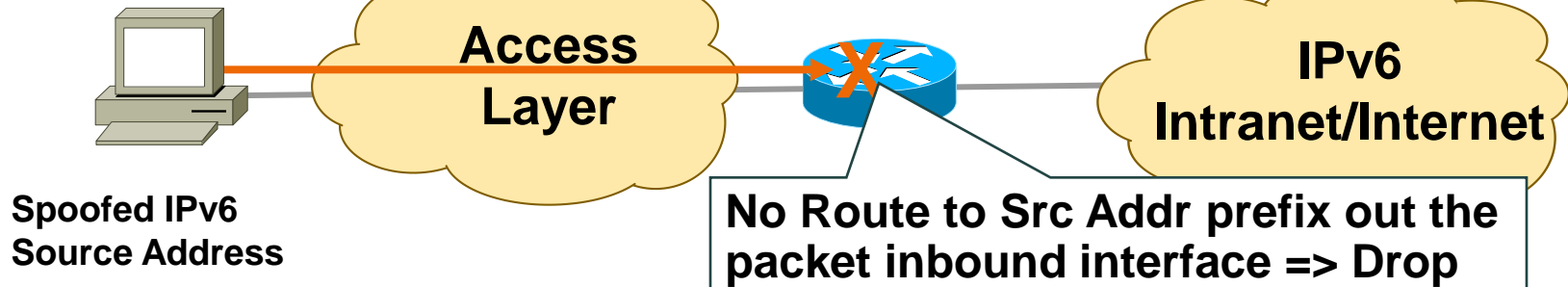
uRPF Loose Mode

```
ipv6 verify unicast source reachable-via any
```



uRPF Strict Mode

```
ipv6 verify unicast source reachable-via rx
```



DHCPv6 Threats

- Note: use of DHCP is announced in Router Advertisements
- Rogue devices on the network giving misleading information or consuming resources (DoS)
 - Rogue DHCPv6 client and servers on the link-local multicast address (FF02::1:2): same threat as IPv4
 - Rogue DHCPv6 servers on the site-local multicast address (FF05::1:3): new threat in IPv6
- Scanning possible if leased addresses are consecutive

DHCPv6 Threat Mitigation

- Rogue clients and servers can be mitigated by using the authentication option in DHCPv6

There are not many DHCPv6 client or server implementations using this today

- Port ACL can block DHCPv6 traffic from client ports

```
deny udp any eq 547 any eq 546
```

IPv6 Attacks with Strong IPv4 Similarities

- **Sniffing**

IPv6 is no more or less likely to fall victim to a sniffing attack than IPv4

- **Application layer attacks**

The majority of vulnerabilities on the Internet today are at the application layer, something that IPSec will do nothing to prevent.

- **Rogue devices**

Rogue devices will be as easy to insert into an IPv6 network as in IPv4

- **Man-in-the-Middle Attacks (MITM)**

Without strong mutual authentication, any attacks utilizing MITM will have the same likelihood in IPv6 as in IPv4

- **Flooding**

Flooding attacks are identical between IPv4 and IPv6

Security Issues Specific to IPv6

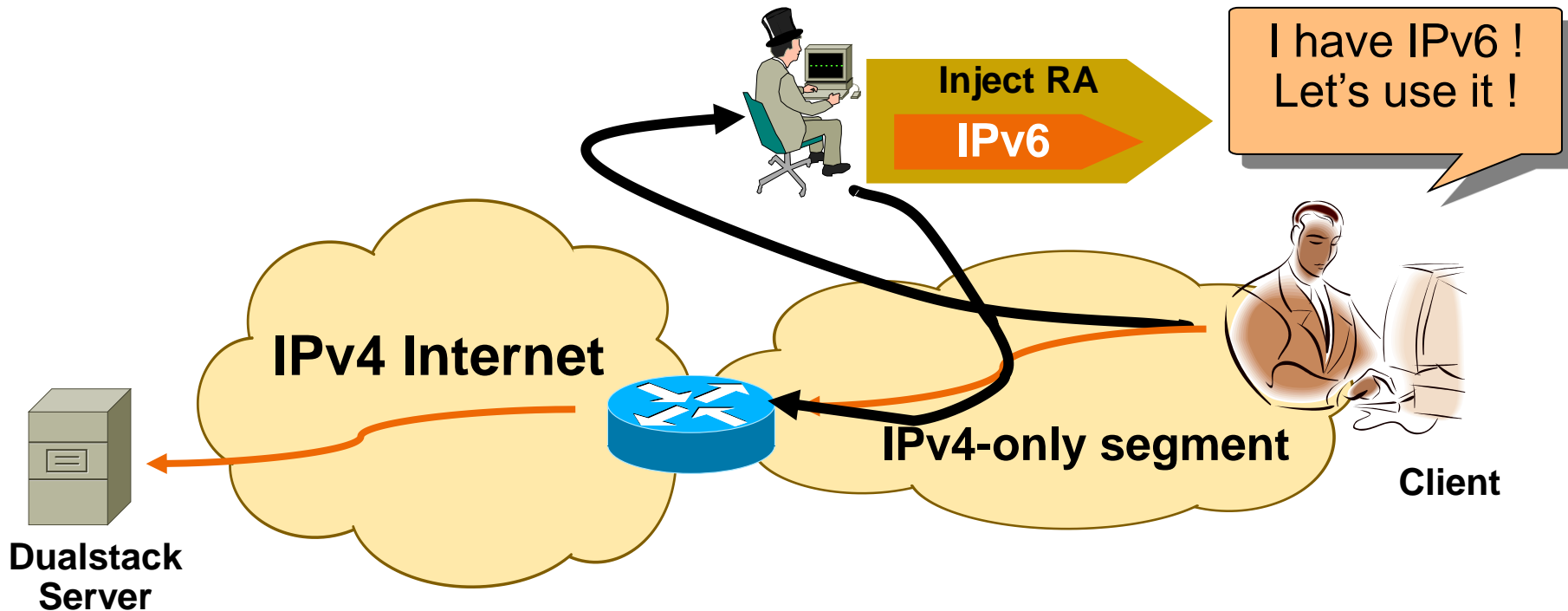


IPSec is not deployed as the IPv6 Security panacea

- *“IPv6 has improved security as a result of its mandatory Ipsec support”*
- IPsec already existed for IPv4
- The mandatory-ness of IPsec for IPv6 is just words on paper
- There are problems with its deployment as a general end-to-end security mechanism.
- Deployment of IPsec(v6) has similar problems as those of IPsec(4). As a result, IPsec(v6) is not deployed as a general end-to-end security mechanism.

No IPv6 network = no problem ? Wrong !

- IPv6 enabled by default on all modern OSes
- Applications prefer IPv6 addresses
- Time to think about deploying IPv6



Dual Stack with Enabled IPv6 by Default

- Your host:
 - IPv4 is protected by your favorite personal firewall...
 - IPv6 is enabled by default (Win7, Linux, Mac OS/X, ...)
- Your network:
 - Does not run IPv6
- Your assumption:
 - I'm safe
- Reality
 - You are **not** safe
 - Attacker sends Router Advertisements
 - Your host configures silently to IPv6
 - You are now under IPv6 attack
- => **Probably time to think about IPv6 in your network**

IPv6 Header Manipulation

- Unlimited size of header chain (spec-wise) can make filtering difficult
- Potential DoS with poor IPv6 stack implementations
 - More boundary conditions to exploit
 - Can I overrun buffers with a lot of extension headers?

⊕ Frame 1 (423 bytes on wire, 423 bytes captured)

⊕ Raw packet data

⊕ Internet Protocol Version 6

⊕ Hop-by-hop Option Header

⊕ Destination Option Header

⊕ Routing Header, Type 0

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⊕ Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 1024 (1024), Dst Port: bgp (179), Seq: 0, Ack: 0, Len: 51

⊕ Border Gateway Protocol

Perfectly Valid IPv6 Packet According to the Sniffer

Header Should Only Appear Once

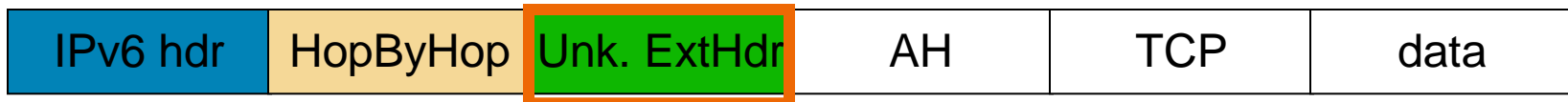
Destination Header Which Should Occur at Most Twice

Destination Options Header Should Be the Last

See also: http://www.cisco.com/en/US/technologies/tk648/tk872/technologies_white_paper0900aecd8054d37d.html

Parsing the Extension Header Chain

- Finding the layer 4 information is not trivial in IPv6
 - Skip all known extension header
 - Until either known layer 4 header found => **SUCCESS**
 - Or unknown extension header/layer 4 header found... => **FAILURE**



Filtering Extension Headers

- Determine what extension headers will be allowed through the access control device
- IPv6 headers and optional extensions need to be scanned to access the upper layer protocols (UPL)
- May require searching through several extensions headers
- Known extension headers (HbH, AH, RH, MH, destination) are scanned until:
 - Layer 4 header found
 - Unknown extension header is found
- **Important:** a router must be able to filter both option header and L4 at the same time

IPv4 to IPv6 Transition Challenges

- 16+ methods, possibly in combination
- Dual stack
 - Consider security for both protocols
 - Cross v4/v6 abuse
 - Resiliency (shared resources)
- Tunnels
 - Bypass firewalls (protocol 41 or UDP)
 - Can cause asymmetric traffic (hence breaking stateful firewalls)

Dual Stack Host Considerations

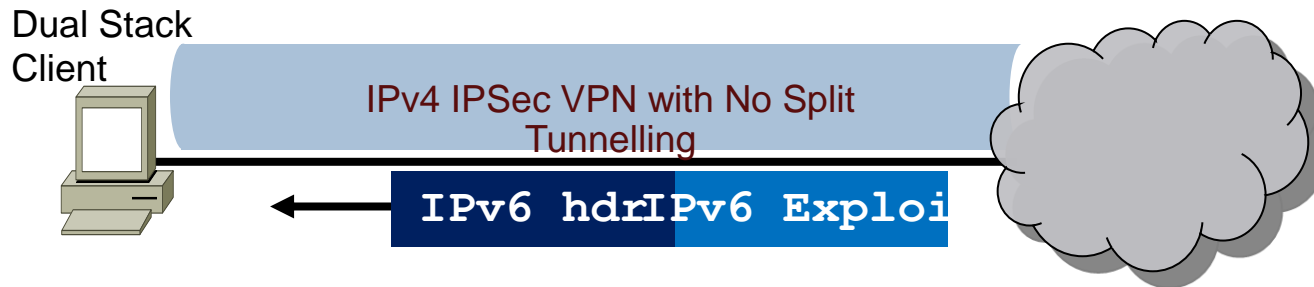
- Host security on a dual-stack device

Applications can be subject to attack on both IPv6 and IPv4

Fate sharing: as secure as the least secure stack...

- Host security controls should block and inspect traffic from both IP versions

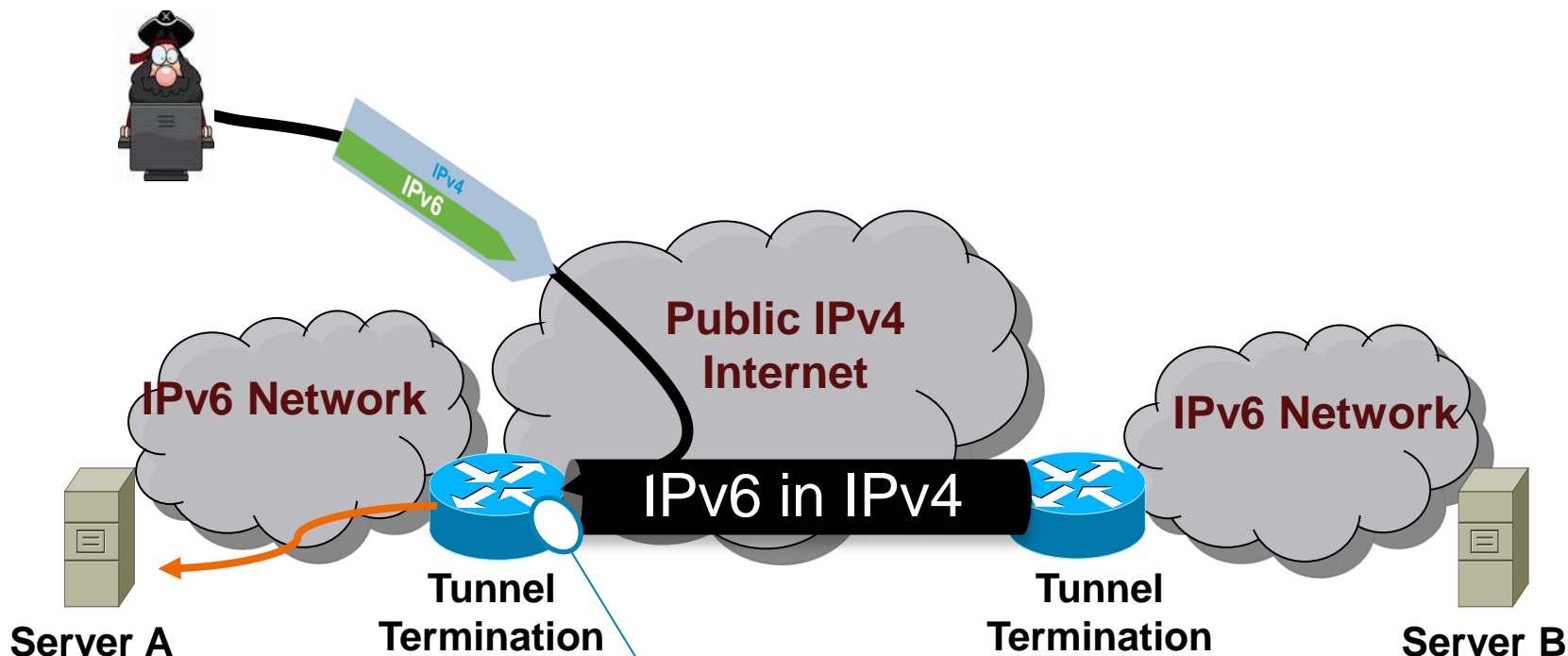
Host intrusion prevention, personal firewalls, VPN clients, etc.



- Does the IPsec Client Stop an Inbound IPv6 Exploit?

L3-L4 Spoofing in IPv6 When Using IPv6 over IPv4 Tunnels

- Most IPv4/IPv6 transition mechanisms have no authentication built in therefore an IPv4 attacker can inject traffic if spoofing both IPv4 and IPv6 addresses



IPv6 ACLs Are Ineffective Since IPv4 & IPv6 Is Spoofed
Tunnel Termination Forwards the Inner IPv6 Packet

Looping Attack Between 2 ISATAP routers

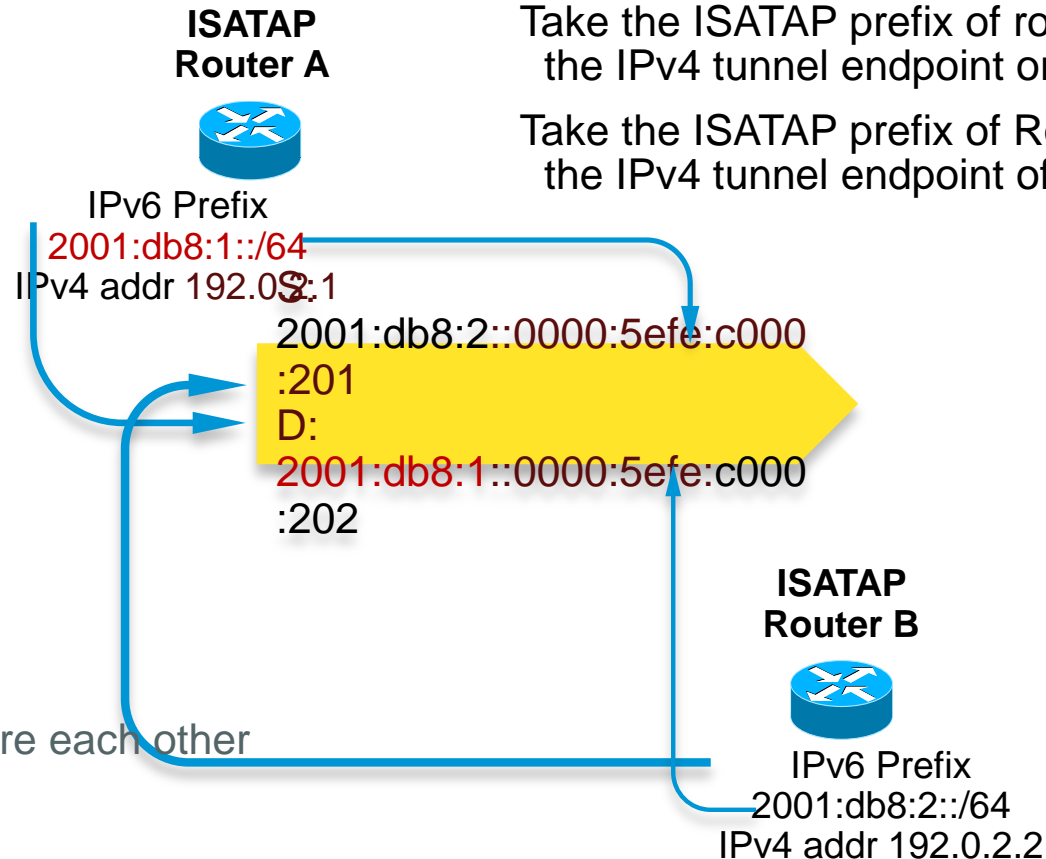
Crafting the packet



- Packet Build

Take the ISATAP prefix of router A and use the IPv4 tunnel endpoint of Router B

Take the ISATAP prefix of Router B and use the IPv4 tunnel endpoint of Router A



- Root cause
ISATAP routers ignore each other
- ISATAP router:
accepts native IPv6 packets & forwards it inside its ISATAP tunnel
Other ISATAP router decaps and forward as native IPv6

http://www.usenix.org/events/woot09/tech/full_papers/nakibly.pdf

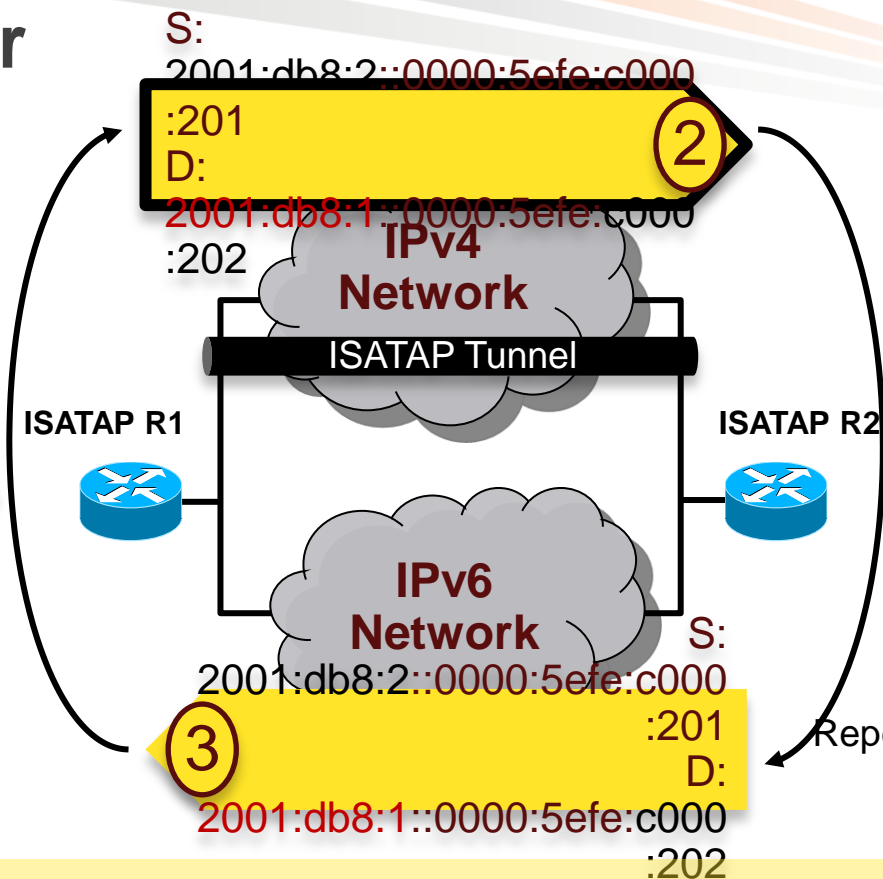
Looping Attack Between 2 ISATAP routers

The Attack Vector



S:
2001:db8:2::0000:5efe:c000
:201
D:
2001:db8:1::0000:5efe:c000
:202

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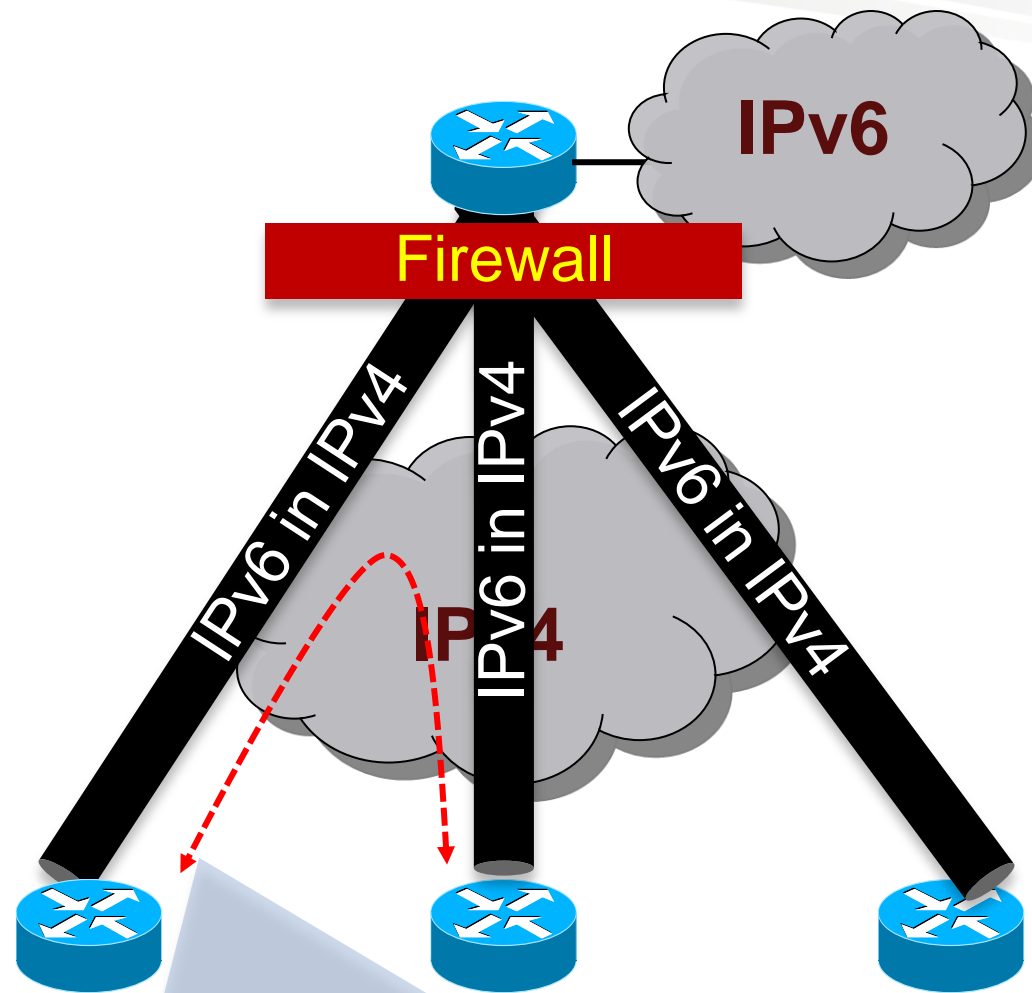


Mitigation:

- IPv6 anti-spoofing everywhere
- ACL on ISATAP routers accepting IPv4 from valid clients only
- Within an enterprise, block IPv4 ISATAP traffic between ISATAP routers
- Within an enterprise, block IPv6 packets between ISATAP routers

http://www.usenix.org/events/woot09/tech/full_paper

ISATAP/6to4 Tunnels Bypass ACL

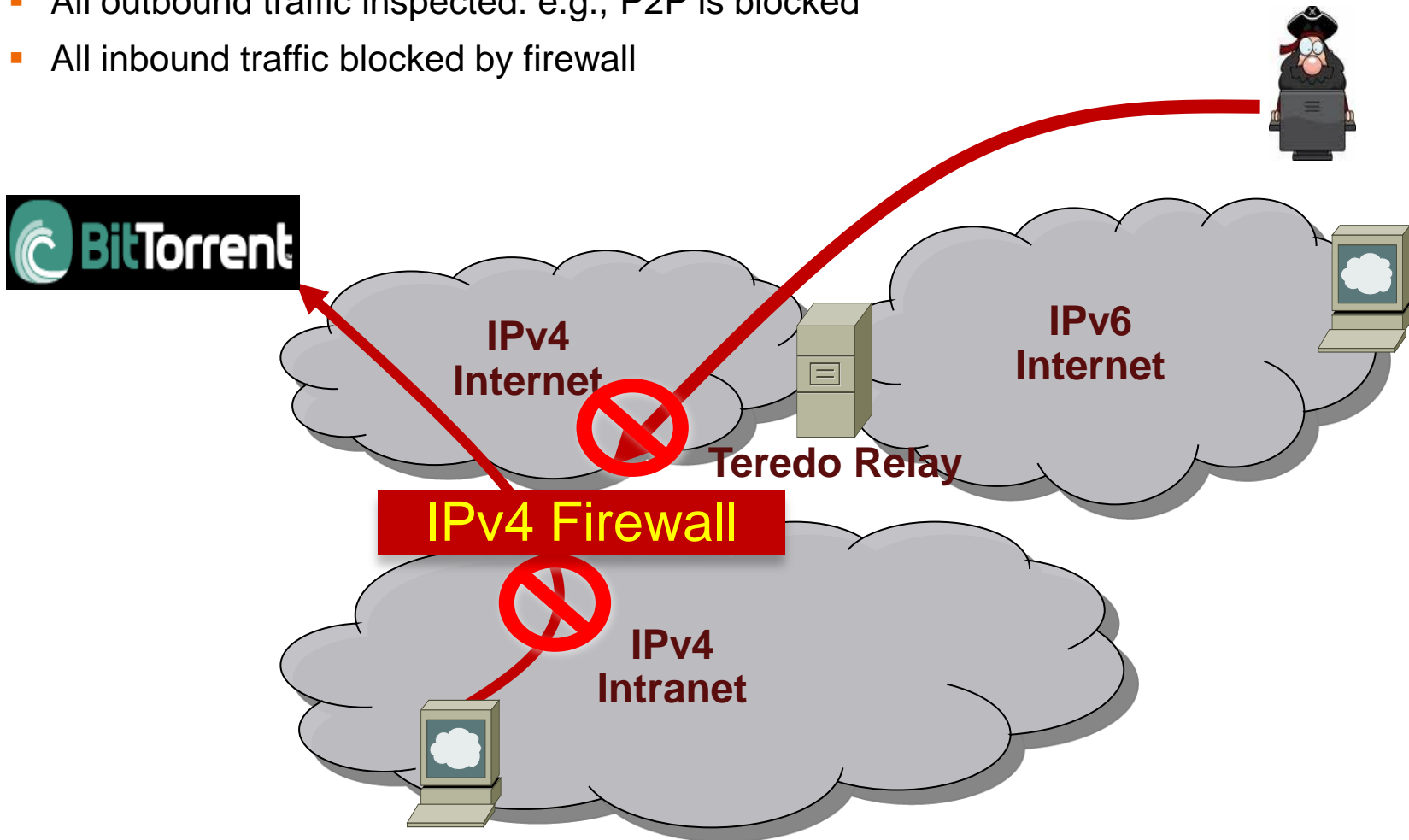


Direct Tunnelled traffic ignores Hub Firewall Policy

Teredo Tunnels (1/3)

Without Teredo: Controls Are in Place

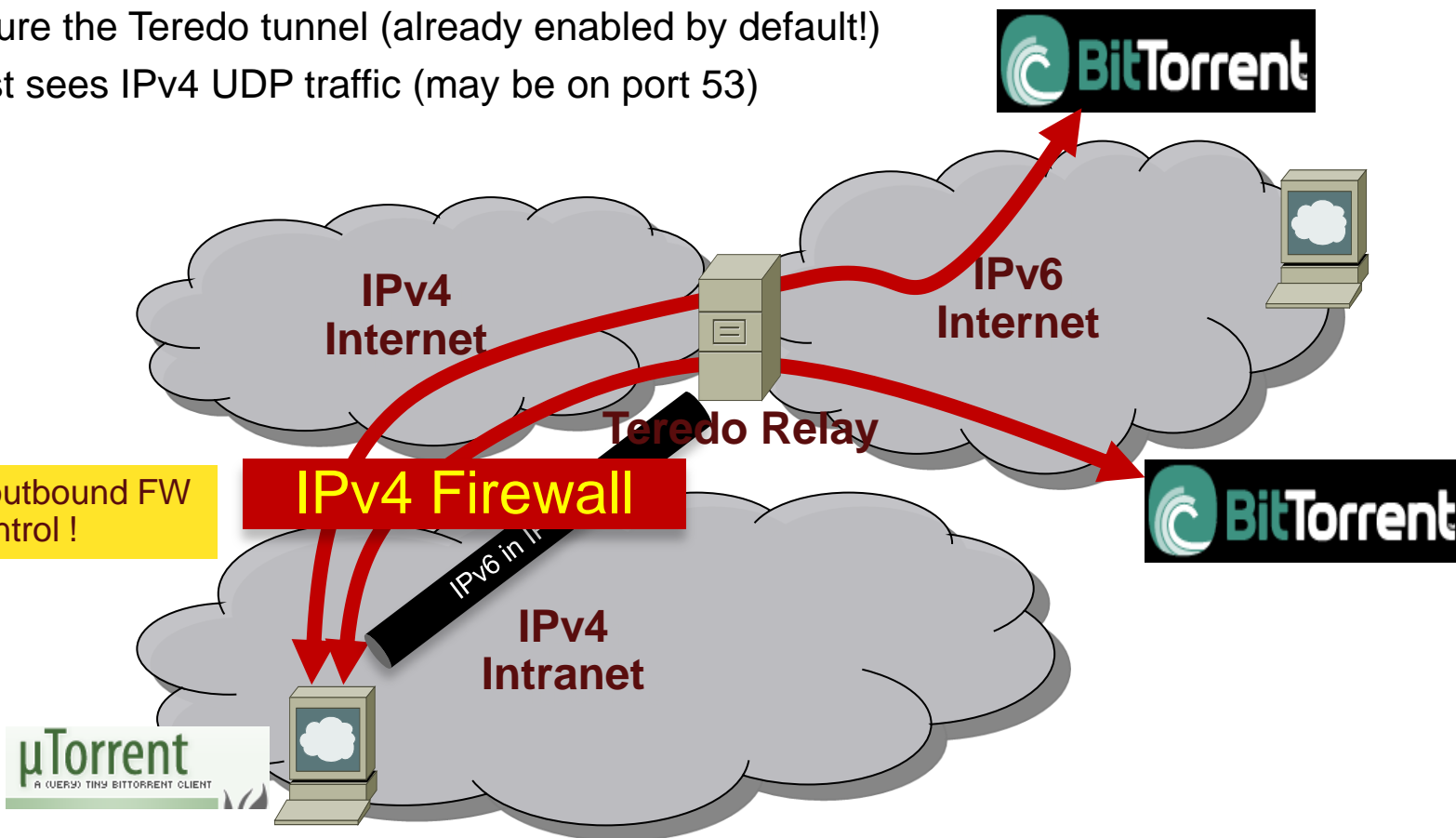
- All outbound traffic inspected: e.g., P2P is blocked
- All inbound traffic blocked by firewall



Teredo Tunnels (2/3)

No More Outbound Control

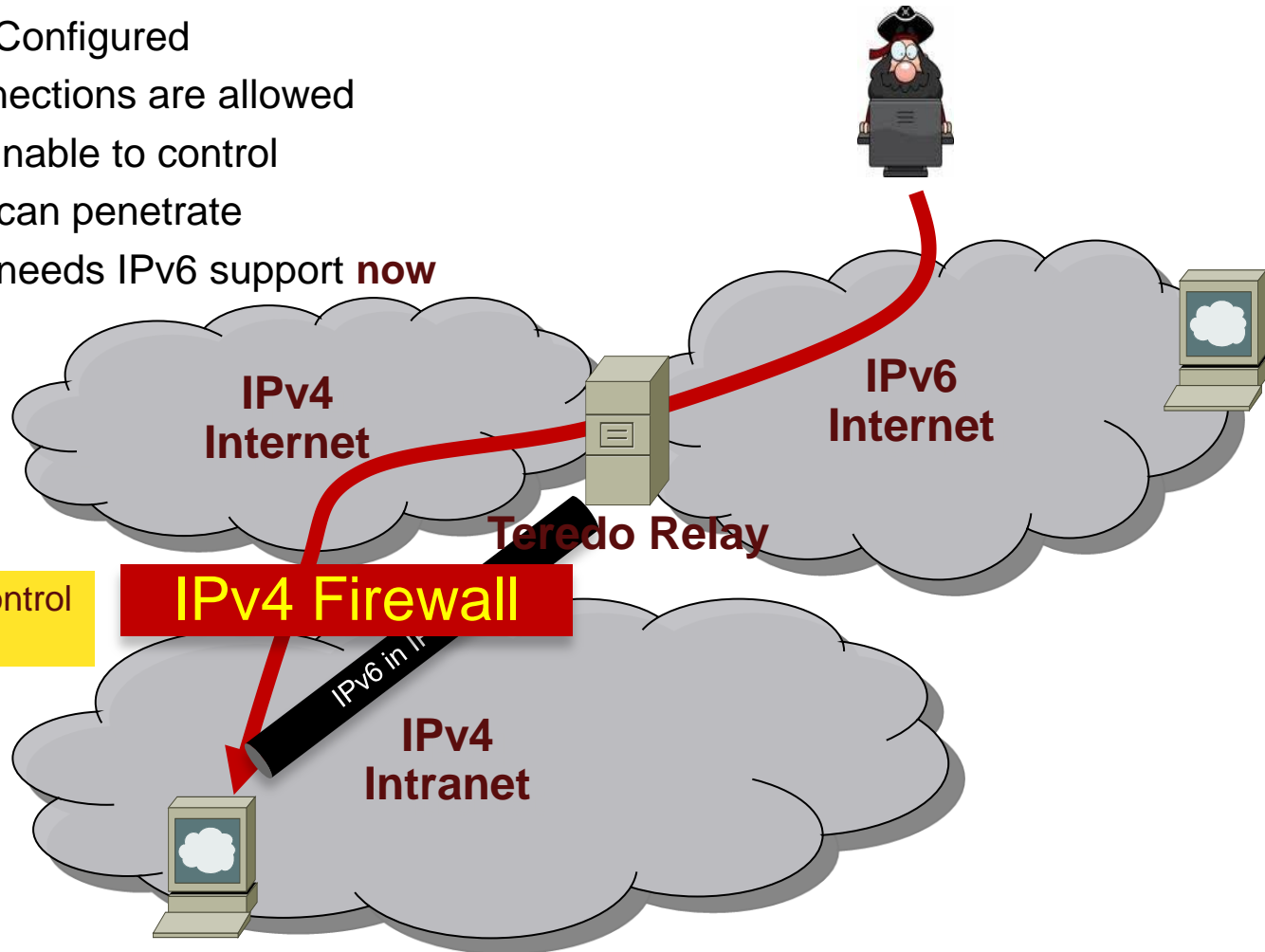
- Teredo threats—IPv6 over UDP (port 3544)
- Internal users want to get P2P over IPv6
- Configure the Teredo tunnel (already enabled by default!)
- FW just sees IPv4 UDP traffic (may be on port 53)



Teredo Tunnels (3/3)

No More Inbound Control

- Once Teredo Configured
- Inbound** connections are allowed
- IPv4 firewall unable to control
- IPv6 hackers can penetrate
- Host security needs IPv6 support **now**



Is it real?

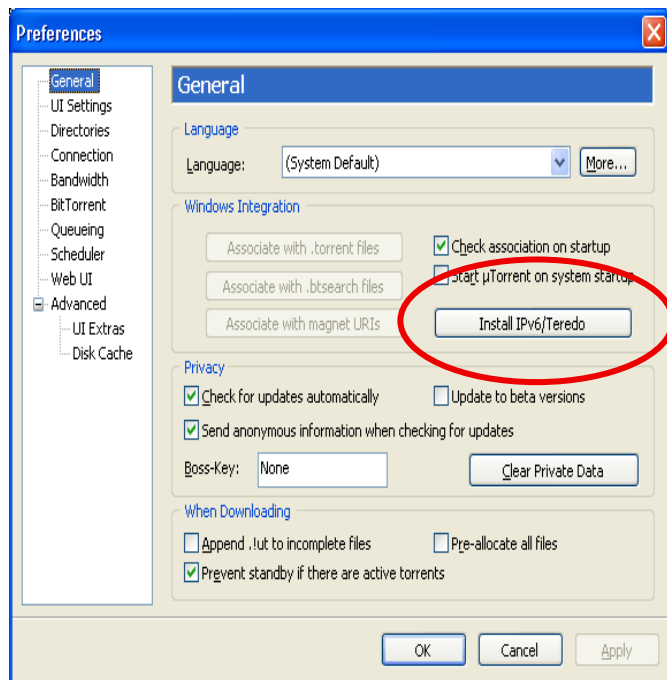
uTorrent 1.8 (released Aug 08) onwards

Note:

On Windows OS Teredo is:

- Disabled when firewall is disabled
- Disabled when PC is part of Active Directory domain
- Otherwise enabled

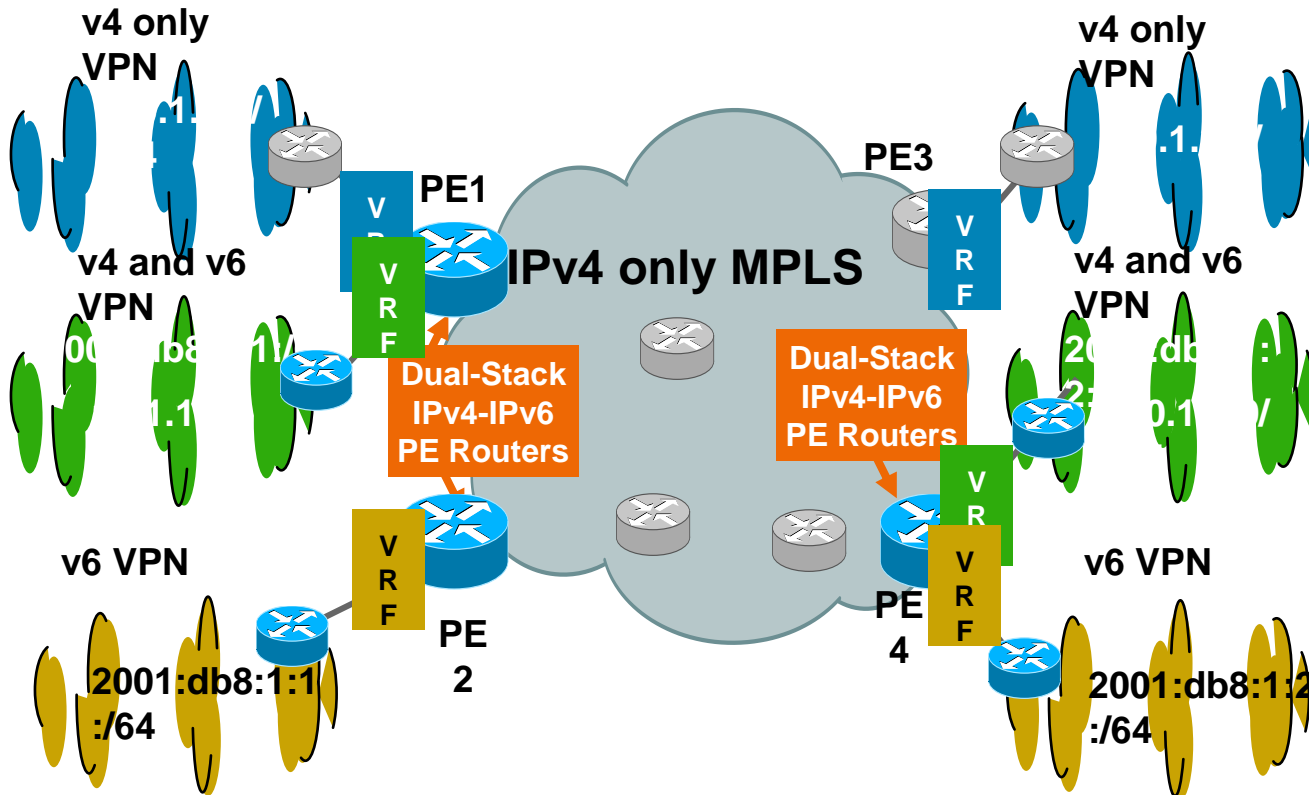
User can override this protection



IP	Logiciel client
2002:53e1:661c::53e1:661c	µTorrent 1.8.2
2002:5853:3a0f:0:20a:95ff:fed1:5c2e	Transmission 1.51
2002:59d4:b885::59d4:b885	µTorrent 1.8.2
2002:7730:ce96::7730:ce96	µTorrent 1.8.2
2002:bec5:9619::bec5:9619	BitTorrent 6.1.2
2a01:e34:ee07:a7d0:687a:e559:4aaf:556f	µTorrent 1.8.2
2a01:e34:ee4b:b570:45c1:5889:9c6b:a9d2	BitTorrent 6.1.1
2a01:e35:1380:d200:a13e:1919:8e4e:be93	BitTorrent 6.1.2
2a01:e35:242c:e500:1087:f807:2aa3:64e6	µTorrent 1.8.1
2a01:e35:243e:b430:29eb:c2f9:f86d:329b	µTorrent 1.8.2
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2a01:e35:2e76:d200:7888:4fb8:6adc:54a9	BitTorrent 6.1.2
2a01:e35:2e87:f40:c947:2f74:f5c7:cc99	µTorrent 1.8.2
2a01:e35:2e9d:ce10:389a:378:a7c7:a715	µTorrent 1.8.2
2a01:e35:2eb5:2820:221:e9ff:fee5:a32d	µTorrent Mac 0.9.1
2a01:e35:2f24:7990:ad15:fc01:6907:4b07	µTorrent 1.8.2
2a01:e35:8a17:4c70:6c5b:3560:b117:49a5	BitTorrent 6.1.2
2a01:e35:8a85:e8f0:d514:7e66:7db:81c8	µTorrent 1.8.2
2a01:e35:8b43:4c80:e516:cab2:f9af:beec	µTorrent 1.8.2

SP Transition Mechanism: 6VPE

- 6VPE: the MPLS-VPN extension to also transport IPv6 traffic over an MPLS cloud and IPv4 BGP sessions



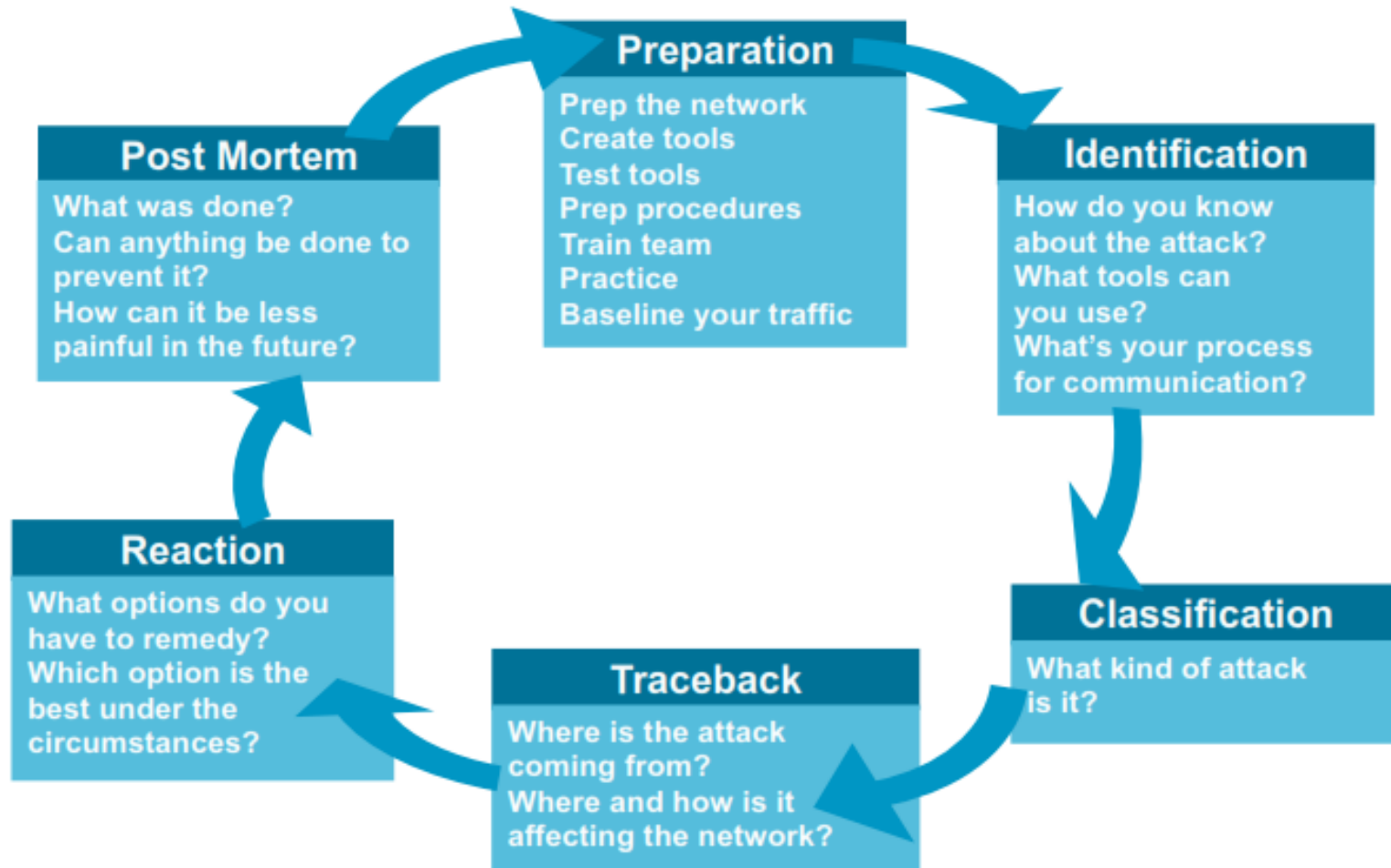
6VPE Security

- 6PE (dual stack without VPN) is a simple case
- Security is identical to IPv4 MPLS-VPN, see RFC 4381
- Security depends on correct operation and implementation
 - QoS prevent flooding attack from one VPN to another one
 - PE routers must be secured: AAA, iACL, CoPP ...
- **MPLS backbones can be more secure than “normal” IP backbones**
 - Core not accessible from outside
 - Separate control and data planes
- PE security
 - Advantage: Only PE-CE interfaces accessible from outside
 - Makes security easier than in “normal” networks
 - IPv6 advantage: PE-CE interfaces can use link-local for routing**
 - => completely unreachable from remote (better than IPv4)**

Enforcing Security Policies



Incident Response



Cisco IOS IPv6 ACL

A Trivial Example

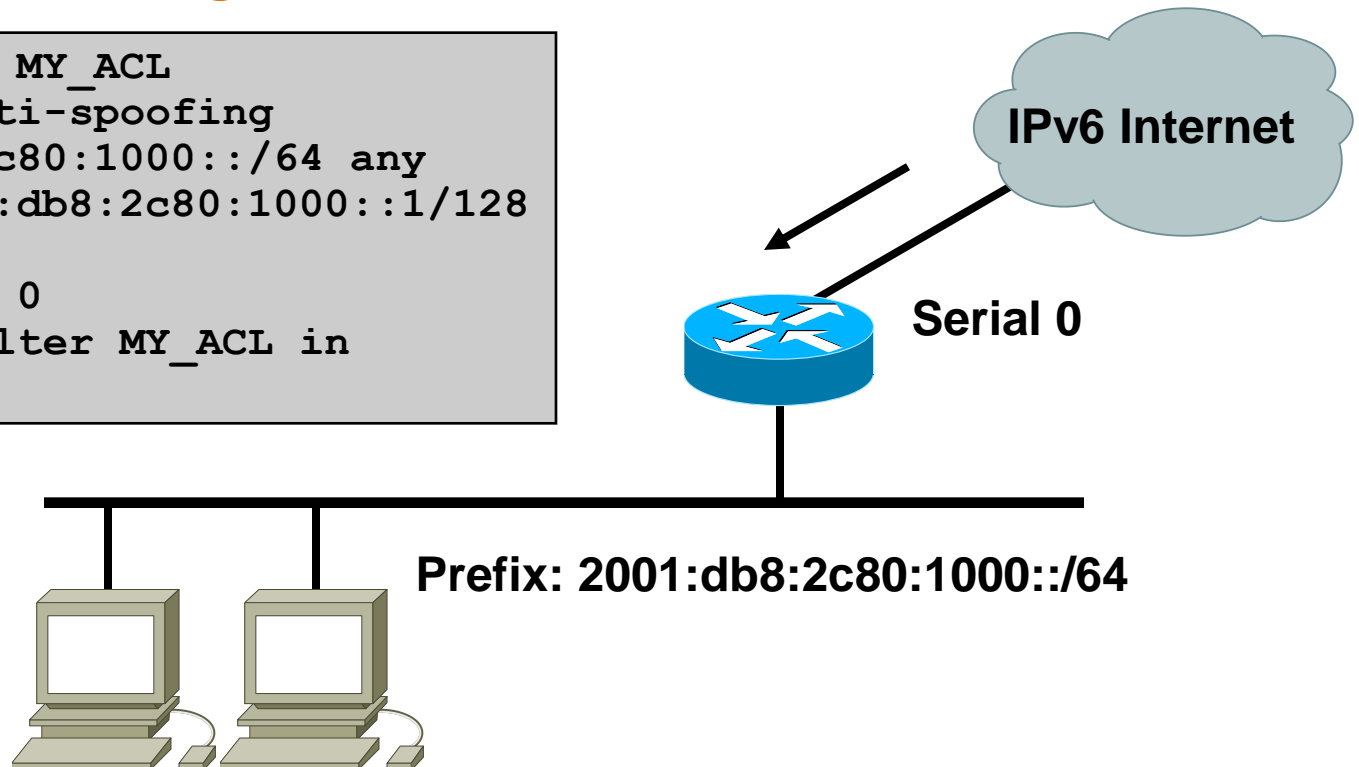
Filtering inbound traffic to one specific destination address

2001:db8:2c80:1000::1

others

```
ipv6 access-list MY_ACL
remark basic anti-spoofing
deny 2001:db8:2c80:1000::/64 any
permit any 2001:db8:2c80:1000::1/128

interface Serial 0
ipv6 traffic-filter MY_ACL in
```



CoPP: Control Plane Policing

- A router can be logically divided into three functional components or planes:
 1. Data plane—packets going through the router
 2. Control plane—routing protocols gluing the network together
 3. Management plane—tools and protocols used to manage the device

- Route Processor contains control and management planes

Problem Definition

- Network uptime is increasingly becoming more vital to companies.
- Denial of Service (DoS) attacks are just one example of a network assault on the control plane.
- DoS attacks target the network infrastructure by generating IP traffic streams to the control plane at very high rates.
- A DoS attack targeting a Route Processor (RP) can cause high Route Processor CPU utilization.

Solution - Control Plane Policing

- Protects the Control Plane from DoS attacks
- Uses QoS to identify and rate limit traffic.
- Allows specification of **types** of packets (traffic-classes) & the desired **rate** to be sent to CPU.
- CPU cycles are used only for packets matching the criteria, availability of the network is greatly increased.
- Control plane treated as a separate entity
- CoPP protects control / management planes:
 1. Ensures routing stability
 2. Reachability
 3. Packet delivery
 4. CP policies are separate from DP and don't impact data plane.

Which packets are we talking about?

- CPU bound packets that will be policed :
 - L2 Fwd Packets (ARP, IPX, Broadcast, etc)
 - L2 Control: Keepalives and control packets for HDLC, PPP, FR LMI, ATM control ILMI, X.25 and ISDN call setup, STP BPDUs
 - L3 Control: Routing protocol control packets
 - L3 Fwd Packets (telnet, SNMP, HTTP, ICMP, etc)
 - Control Packet (BPDU, CDP, IGMP, DHCP, etc)
 - L3 and L2 Miscellaneous:

Configuring CoPP

- **4 step process:**
 1. Enable global QoS
 2. Classify the traffic
 3. Define the QoS policy
 4. Apply the policy to control plane “interface”

Sample Traffic Classification

1. Critical Traffic—routing protocols, control plane no rate-limit
2. Important Traffic—SNMP, SSH, AAA, NTP, management plane, maybe rate-limit
3. Normal Traffic—other expected non-malicious traffic, ping and other ICMP, rate-limit
4. Undesirable—handling of potentially malicious traffic we expect to see, fragments and the like, drop this traffic
5. Default—non-IP traffic or any other non identified IP traffic, maybe rate-limit

Secure IPv6 Connectivity



Secure IPv6 over IPv4/6 Public Internet

- No traffic sniffing
- No traffic injection
- No service theft

Public Network	Site to Site	Remote Access
IPv4	6in4/GRE Tunnels Protected by IPsec DMVPN 12.4(20)T	ISATAP Protected by RA IPsec SSL VPN Client AnyConnect
IPv6	IPsec VTI 12.4(6)T	Q1 2012

IPv6 for Remote Devices

- Enabling IPv6 traffic inside the Cisco VPN Client tunnel

NAT and Firewall traversal support

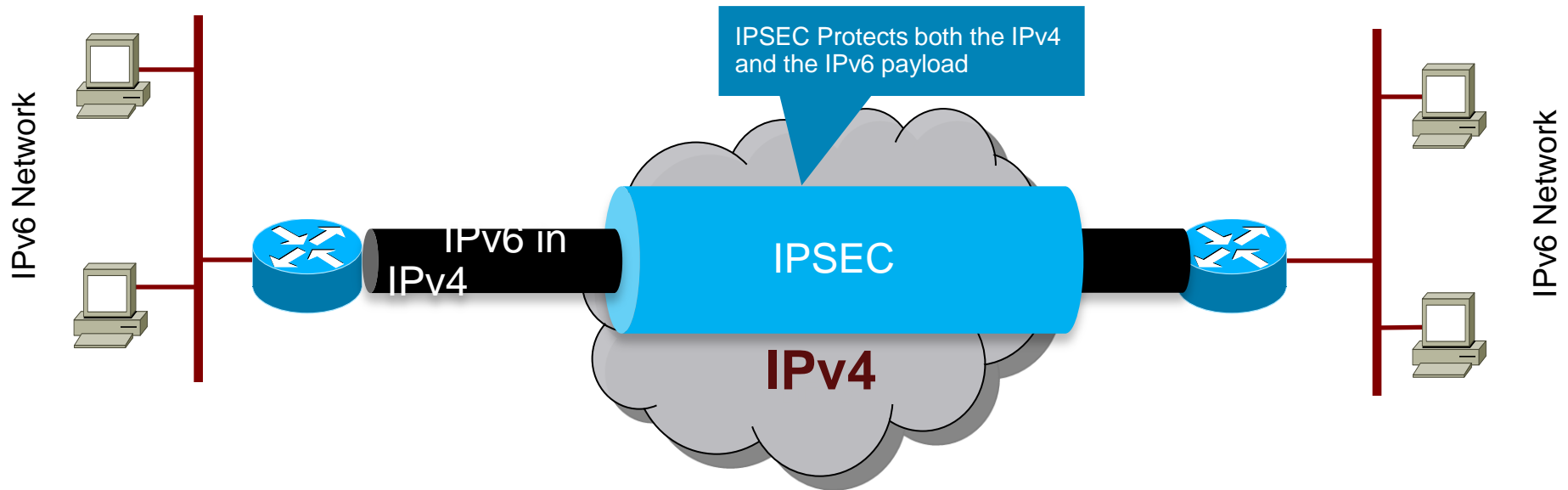
Allow remote host to establish a v6-in-v4 tunnel either automatically or manually

ISATAP—Intra Site Automatic Tunnel Addressing Protocol

Fixed IPv6 address enables server's side of any application to be configured on an IPv6 host that could roam over the world

- Use of ASA 8.0 and SSL VPN Client AnyConnect
Can transfer IPv6 traffic over public IPv4

Secure Site to Site IPv6 Traffic over IPv4 Public Network with GRE IPsec

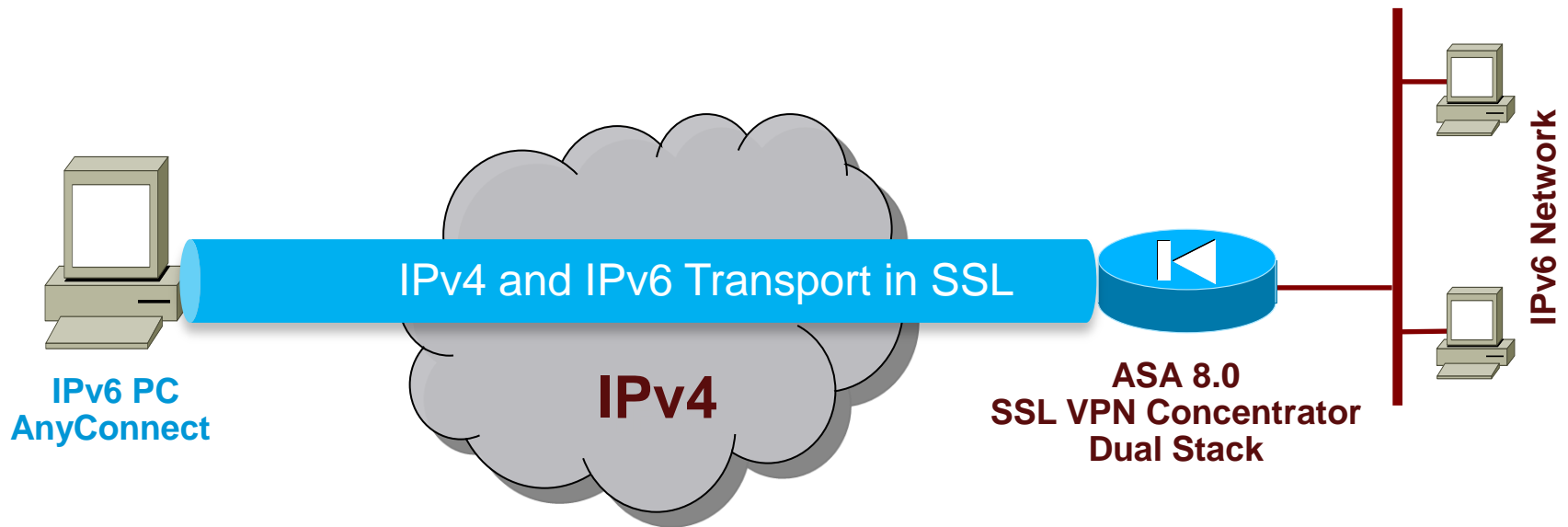


Recommendation:

GRE tunnel can be used to transport both IPv4 and IPv6 in the same tunnel

Similar technique for remote access with ISATAP tunnels

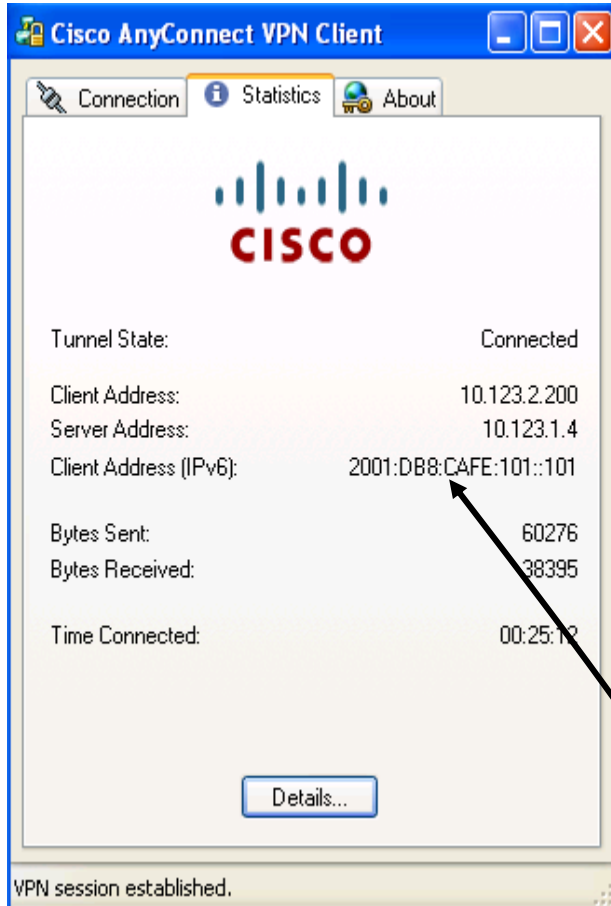
Secure RA IPv6 Traffic over IPv4 Public Network: AnyConnect SSL VPN Client



ASA with IPv6

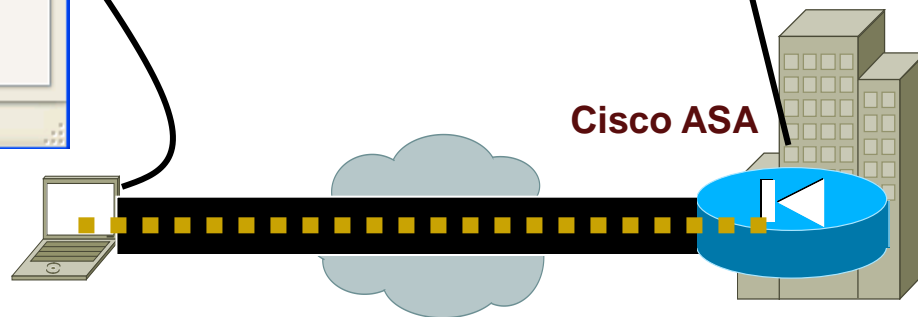
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name 2001:db8:cafe:1003:: BR1-LAN description VLAN on EtherSwitch
name 2001:db8:cafe:1004:9db8:3df1:814c:d3bc Br1-v6-Server
!
interface GigabitEthernet0/0
  description TO WAN
  nameif outside
  security-level 0
  ip address 10.124.1.4 255.255.255.0 standby 10.124.1.5
  ipv6 address 2001:db8:cafe:1000::4/64 standby 2001:db8:cafe:1000::5
!
interface GigabitEthernet0/1
  description TO BRANCH LAN
  nameif inside
  security-level 100
  ip address 10.124.3.1 255.255.255.0 standby 10.124.3.2
  ipv6 address 2001:db8:cafe:1002::1/64 standby 2001:db8:cafe:1002::2
!
ipv6 route inside BR1-LAN/64 2001:db8:cafe:1002::3
ipv6 route outside ::/0 fe80::5:73ff:fea0:2
!
ipv6 access-list v6-ALLOW permit icmp6 any any
ipv6 access-list v6-ALLOW permit tcp 2001:db8:cafe::/48 host Br1-v6-Server object-group RDP
!
failover
failover lan unit primary
failover lan interface FO GigabitEthernet0/2
failover link FO-LINK GigabitEthernet0/3
failover interface ip FO 2001:db8:cafe:bad::1/64 standby 2001:db8:cafe:bad::2
failover interface ip FO-LINK 2001:db8:cafe:bad1::1/64 standby 2001:db8:cafe:bad1::2
!
access-group v6-ALLOW in interface outside
```

AnyConnect 2.x—SSL VPN



```
asa-edge-1#show vpn-sessiondb svc
Session Type: SVC
Username      : ciscoese                Index      : 14
Assigned IP   : 10.123.2.200            Public IP   :
10.124.2.18
Assigned IPv6 : 2001:db8:cafe:101::101
Protocol      : Clientless SSL-Tunnel DTLS-Tunnel
License       : SSL VPN
Encryption    : RC4 AES128              Hashing     : SHA1
Bytes Tx      : 79763                   Bytes Rx    : 176080
Group Policy  : AnyGrpPolicy            Tunnel Group:
ANYCONNECT
Login Time    : 14:09:25 MST Mon Dec 17 2007
Duration      : 0h:47m:48s
NAC Result    : Unknown
VLAN Mapping  : N/A                     VLAN        : none
```

Dual-Stack Host
AnyConnect Client



Secure Site to Site IPv6 Traffic over IPv4 Public Network with DMVPN

- IPv6 packets over DMVPN IPv4 tunnels
 - In IOS release 12.4(20)T (July 2008)
 - IPv6 and/or IPv4 data packets over same GRE tunnel
- Complete set of NHRP commands
 - network-id, holdtime, authentication, map, etc.
- NHRP registers two addresses
 - Link-local** for routing protocol (Automatic or Manual)
 - Global** for packet forwarding (Mandatory)
- See Module 6 IPv6 Transition Mechanisms for DMVPN configuration examples

Summary

Key Take Away

- So, nothing really new in IPv6
 - Reconnaissance: address enumeration replaced by DNS enumeration
 - Spoofing & bogons: uRPF is our IP-agnostic friend
 - NDP spoofing: RA guard and more feature coming
 - ICMPv6 firewalls need to change policy to allow NDP
 - Extension headers: firewall & ACL can process them
 - Amplification attacks by multicast mostly impossible
- Lack of operation experience may hinder security for a while: **training is required**
- Security enforcement is possible
 - Control your IPv6 traffic as you do for IPv4
- Leverage IPsec to secure IPv6 wherever suitable

Summary: Key take away

Threat	IPv6 Characteristics	Mitigation
Threats with New Considerations in IPv6		
Reconnaissance	Scanning for hosts is not feasible because of large address space. Well-known addresses, in particular multicast, are vulnerable.	Same as IPv4. Privacy extensions can make reconnaissance less effective.
Unauthorized access	End-to-end security reduces the exposure. Extension headers (EH) open new attack venues.	Use privacy extensions to reduce a host's exposure. Use multiple addresses with different scopes. Manage EH use.
Header manipulation	IPv6 can take advantage of chained and large-size EHs. EHs that must be processed by all stacks are particularly useful to an attacker.	The EHs usage should be strictly controlled based on deployed services.
Fragmentation	No fragment overlap should be allowed in IPv6, but some stacks do reassemble overlapping fragments. The impact of tiny fragments is minimal in IPv6.	Use properly implemented stacks that do not allow fragment overlap.
Layer 3/layer 4 spoofing	The use of tunneling offers more spoofing opportunities even though they are not different from IPv4 tunneling.	Same mitigation techniques as with IPv4.

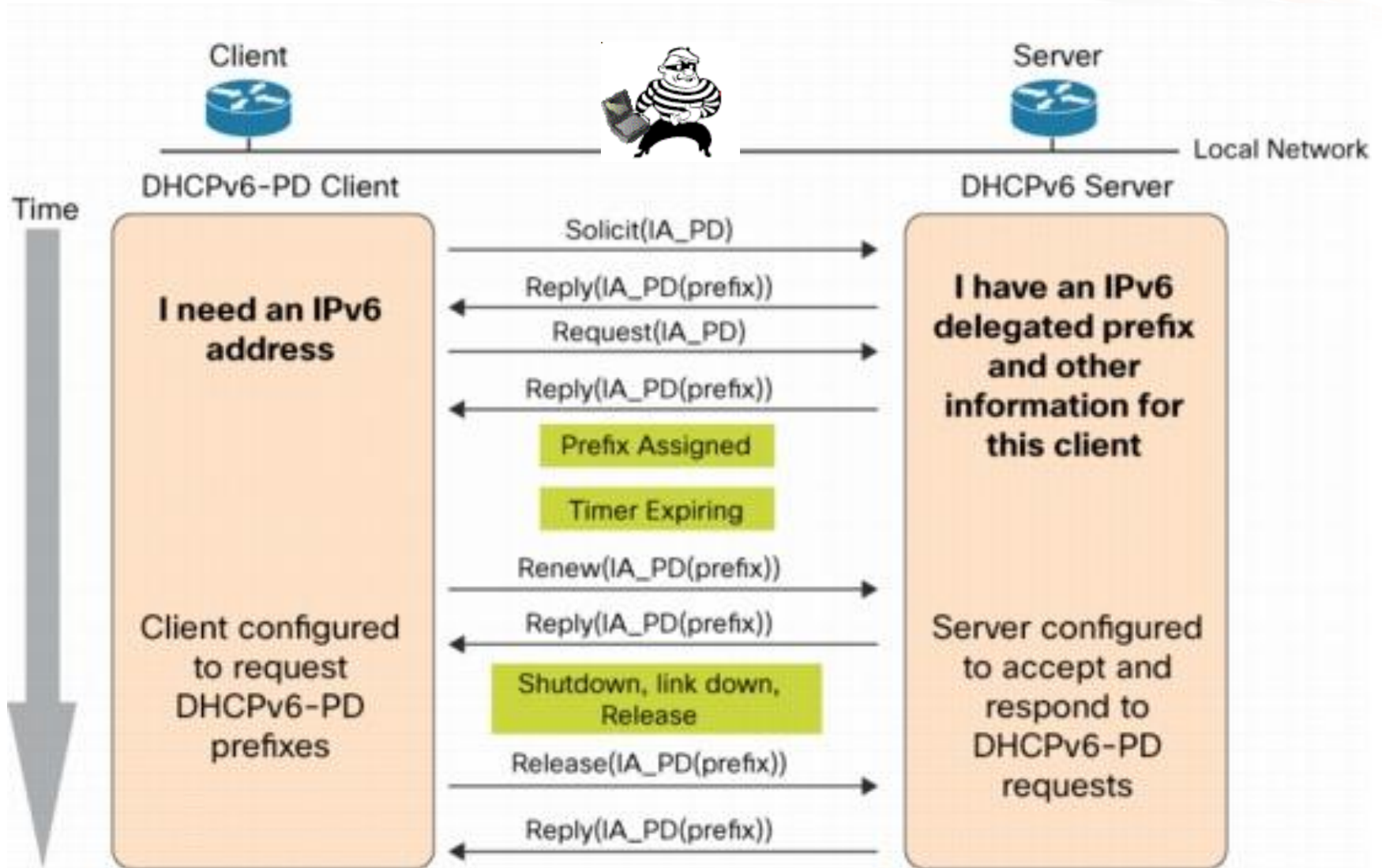
Summary: Key take away

Threat	<u>IPv6</u> Characteristics	Mitigation
Threats with New Considerations in <u>IPv6</u>		
Host initialization and address-resolution attacks	<u>DHCP</u> has similar vulnerabilities for the two protocols. Neighbor Discovery has similar vulnerabilities as ARP. Stateless <u>autoconfiguration</u> and renumbering offer new attack options.	Use an interim solution such as static neighbors; the SEND recommendations are adopted by the <u>IPv6</u> stacks.
Broadcast-amplification attacks (Smurf)	No concept of broadcast in <u>IPv6</u> , and that reduces the amplification options.	Use filtering for multicast traffic, in particular, because it is the only amplification option.
Routing attacks	<u>IPsec</u> provides additional peering security for some protocols. From a threat perspective, it is similar to <u>IPv4</u> .	Same as <u>IPv4</u> . Wherever possible, implement <u>IPsec</u> .
Viruses and worms	Same as <u>IPv4</u> . Random scanning used by worms to propagate is impractical in <u>IPv6</u> because of the large address space.	Same as <u>IPv4</u> .

Demo: DoS Attack

Live Demo on vulnerabilities existing in IPv6 network and how those can be mitigated with Cisco solutions like: IPv6 ACL, CoPP, Policy-map, uRPF etc.

DHCPv6 Messages



Thank you.

