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Simplified Network Fabric deployment using RFC 5549

Network Designs for the modern Data Center

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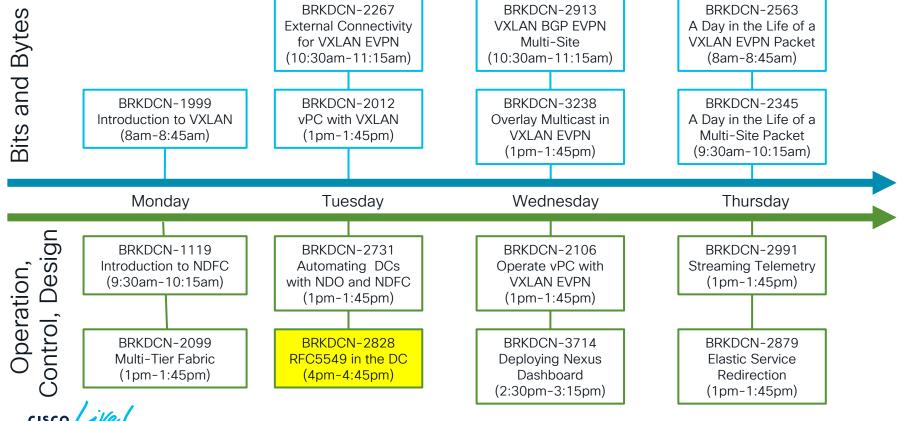


Abstract

What is RFC5549? Think of a network that speaks IPv4 and IPv6 without introducing overlays? This is what RFC5549 does and it enables a simple approach for network infrastructure addressing and scalability. Join us to talk about RFC5549 and how IPv6 makes some things much simpler than you could think about (yes, IPv6 between switches can solve a lot of headache).



Companion Sessions - Week at a Glance





Agenda

- Introduction
- What is RFC 5549?
- Use Cases
- BGP Auto-Fabric
- Conclusion

Introduction



Introduction

- A brief touchpoint of the work at the IETF (Internet Engineering Task Force) and what RFC (Request for Comment) are Standard and what Informational
- What is this RFC 5549 about why do we have it and what is it good for
- Deployment Scenarios in Service Provider (SP) and Data Center (DC)
- How to make Layer-3 BGP Fabric deployments even simpler
- Addressing modern Cloud Native Applications needs



What is RFC 5549?



Advertising IPv4 Network Layer Reachability Information with an IPv6 Next Hop

https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/html/rfc5549



What is RFC 5549? By the Standards Body

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Network Working Group Request for Comments: 5549 Category: Standards Track F. Le Faucheur E. Rosen Cisco Systems May 2009

Advertising IPv4 Network Layer Reachability Information with an IPv6 Next Hop

Status of This Memo

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Abstract

Multiprotocol BGP (MP-BGP) specifies that the set of network-layer protocols to which the address carried in the Next Hop field may belong is determined by the Address Family Identifier (AFI) and the Subsequent Address Family Identifier (SAFI). The current AFI/SAFI definitions for the IPv4 address family only have provisions for advertising a Next Hop address that belongs to the IPv4 protocol when advertising IPv4 Network Layer Reachability Information (NLRI) or VPN-IPv4 NLRI. This document specifies the extensions necessary to allow advertising IPv4 NLRI or VPN-IPv4 NLRI with a Next Hop address that belongs to the IPv6 protocol. This comprises an extension of the AFI/SAFI definitions to allow the address of the Next Hop for IPv4 NLRI or VPN-IPv4 NLRI to also belong to the IPv6 protocol, the encoding of the Next Hop in order to determine which of the protocols the address actually belongs to, and a new BGP Capability allowing MP-BGP Peers to dynamically discover whether they can exchange IPv4 NLRI and VPN-IPv4 NLRI with an IPv6 Next Hop.

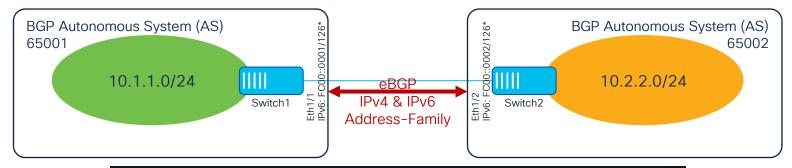
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- Categorized for Standards Track
- Internet Standard since 2009
- Updated by RFC 8950
 - aka RFC 5549bis
- Industry wide adoption for more than 10 years
- Invented and Authored by Cisco

- RFC 5549
 - https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/ html/rfc5549
- · RFC 8950
 - https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/ html/rfc8950



What is RFC 5549 for?

- Defines a specific behavior in Border Gateway Protocol (BGP)
- Allows IPv4 Network Layer Reachability via a IPv6 Next-Hop

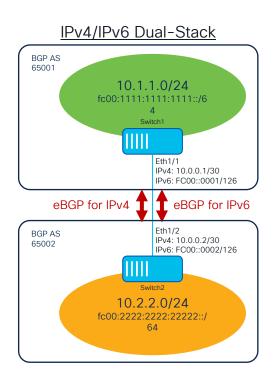


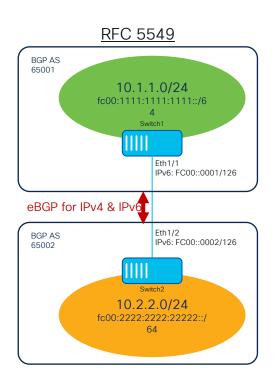
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[Output]
Switch1# show ip bgp
BGP routing table information for VRF default, address family IPv4 Unicast
BGP table version is 7, Local Router ID is 1.1.1.1
Status: s-suppressed, x-deleted, S-stale, d-dampened, h-history, *-valid, >-best
Path type: i-internal, e-external, c-confed, l-local, a-aggregate, r-redist, I-injected
Origin codes: i - IGP, e - EGP, ? - incomplete, | - multipath, & - backup, 2 - best2
                                                                 Weight Path
   Network
                      Next Hop
                                          Metric
                                                     LocPrf
*>e10.2.2.0/24
                      fc00::0002
                                                                      0 65002 ?
```

*I don't think you will see /126 in real world, more likely this is going to be a /64 or better /127



Side-by-Side IPv4/IPv6 Dual-Stack and RFC 5549



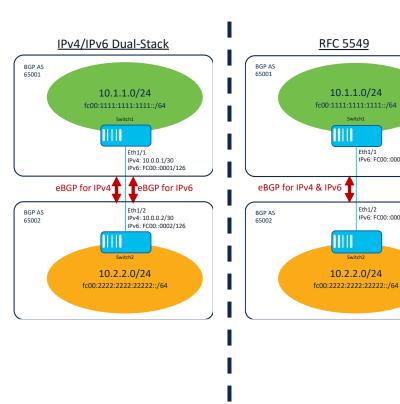




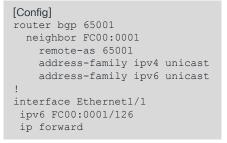
Side-by-Side - Config with IPv6 Numbered IPv4/IPv6 Dual-Stack and RFC 5549

Per-Address-Family Peering

[Confia] router bap 65001 neighbor 10.0.0.2 remote-as 65001 address-family ipv4 unicast neighbor FC00:0001 remote-as 65001 address-family ipv6 unicast interface Ethernet1/1 ipv6 FC00:0001/126 ip address 10.0.0.1/30



Per-Neighbor Peering



*IPv6 GUA - IPv6 Global Unicast Address

10.1.1.0/24

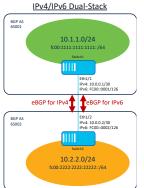
Switch2

10.2.2.0/24

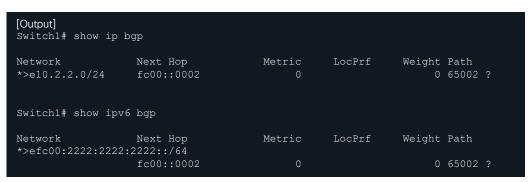
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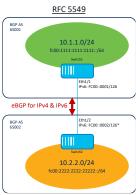
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Side-by-Side - Oper with IPv6 Numbered IPv4/IPv6 Dual-Stack and RFC 5549



```
[Output]
Switch1# show ip bgp
                   Next Hop
Network
                                       Metric
                                                   LocPrf
                                                              Weight Path
*>e10.2.2.0/24
                   10.0.0.2
                                                                   0 65002 ?
Switch1# show ipv6 bgp
                   Next Hop
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                   fc00::0002
```



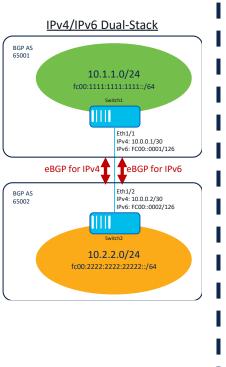


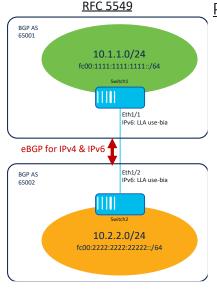


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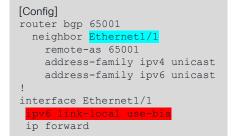
Per-Address-Family Peering

[Config]
router bgp 65001
neighbor 10.0.0.2
remote-as 65001
address-family ipv4 unicast
neighbor FC00:0001
remote-as 65001
address-family ipv6 unicast
!
interface Ethernet1/1
ipv6 FC00:0001/126
ip address 10.0.0.1/30





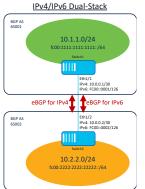
Per-Neighbor Unnumbered Peering



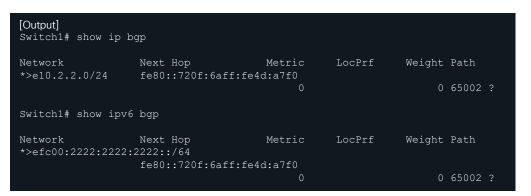
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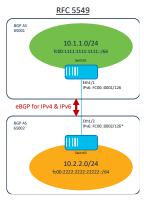


Side-by-Side - Oper with Unnumbered (LLA) IPv4/IPv6 Dual-Stack and RFC 5549



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[Output]
Switch1# show ip bgp
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Network
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                                                              Weight Path
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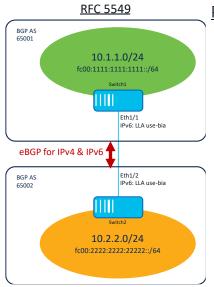






Deployment Simplification Using IPv6 Link-Local and BGP Interface Peering

For the rest of this Presentation, we are using IPv6 Link-Local and BGP Interface Peering



Per-Neighbor Unnumbered Peering

```
[Config]
router bgp 65001
neighbor Ethernet1/1
remote-as 65001
address-family ipv4 unicast
address-family ipv6 unicast
!
interface Ethernet1/1
Lpv6 link-local use-bia
ip forward
```

Removing the need for Interface IP Addressing or BGP Peer Configuration with IPv6 Link-Local Addressing and BGP interface peering

For the rest of this Presentation, we are using IPv6 Link-Local and BGP Interface Peering



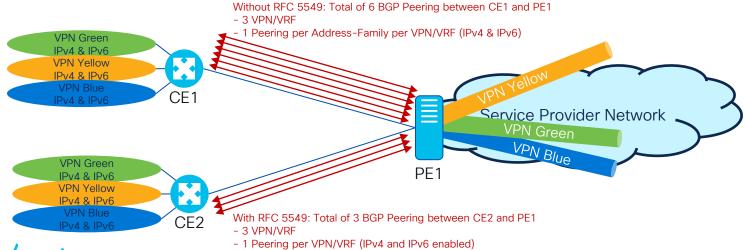
Use Cases



RFC 5549 Use Cases?

From the Service Provider Playbook

- For Example, the CE-PE Scenario with or without Inter-AS Option A
 - CE (Customer Edge) to PE (Provider Edge)
- Single BGP session, per-VRF, for IPv4 and IPv6 Prefixes
 - Better BGP Session Scale on PE (Fan Out)
 - Less Point-to-Point IP addressing and BGP Peering configuration







RFC 5549 Use Cases

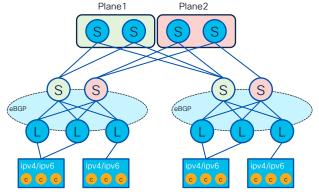


RFC 5549 Use Cases? From the Data Center Playbook

- For Example, Use of BGP for Routing in Large-Scale Data Centers
 - RFC 7938 https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/html/rfc7938
- Used as Routing Protocol between Leaf, Spine and other Tiers (ie Super-Spine)
 - IPv4 and IPv6 Prefix with a single Routing Protocol Session No VRF, VPNs or Overlays
 - Ready for "Cloud Native Applications"* no need for Layer-2

Better BGP Session Scale on Leaf to Server (Fan Out) - Less Point-to-Point IP

Addressing





Reducing the number of Controland Data-Plane Protocols in the Data Center

Building for the "Cloud Native Application" ... and other use cases



What is RFC 7938? By the Standards Body

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Use of BGP for Routing in Large-Scale Data Centers

Abstract

Some network operators build and operate data centers that support over one hundred thousand servers. In this document, such data centers are referred to as "large-scale" to differentiate them from smaller infrastructures. Environments of this scale have a unique set of network requirements with an emphasis on operational simplicity and network stability. This document summarizes operational experience in designing and operating large-scale data centers using BGP as the only routing protocol. The intent is to report on a proven and stable routing design that could be leveraged by others in the industry.

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Information about the current status of this document, any errata, and how to provide feedback on it may be obtained at http://www.rfc-editor.org/info/rfc7938.

- Categorized as Informational RFC
- Basically, a Design Guide for Leaf/Spine Topologies
 - Checkout my Multi-Tier session
- Chooses EBGP as Routing Protocol for the Data Center
 - A flat Layer-3 only approach
 - No Network Overlays considered
- Is RFC 7938 dated?
 - No specific reference to IPv6
 - · Only 2-Byte ASN reference
 - · Talks about TRILL for Layer-2

- · RFC 7938
 - https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/ html/rfc7938



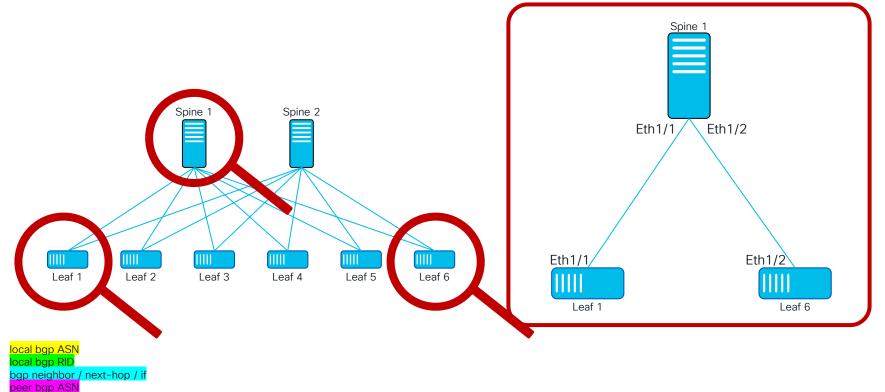
Advertising IPv4 & IPv6 Prefix: Information with an IPv6 Next Hop enables BGP for Routing in Large-Scale Data Centers to carry IPv4 & IPv6 Address-Family

How RFC 7938 can leverage RFC 5549 (RFC 8950)

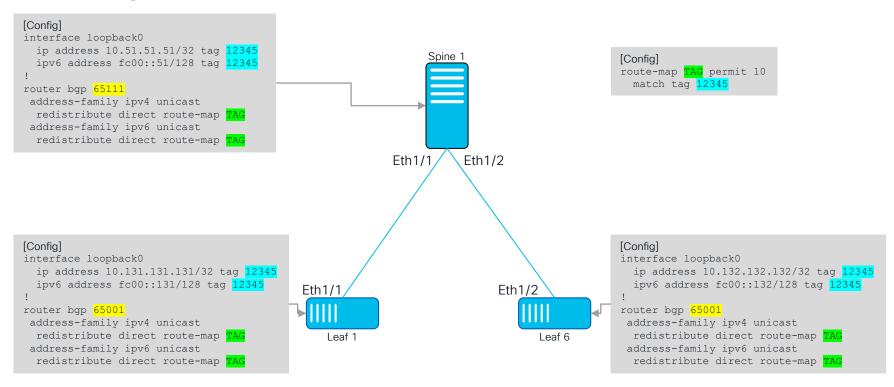


Deployments with RFC 5549 at a glance

Magnifying some Nodes

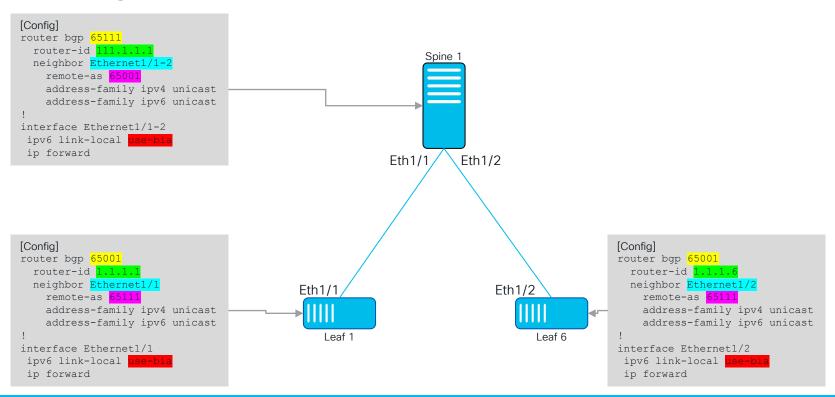


Adding some Loopacks





Config per RFC7938 (Dual-AS)



This is NOT just going to work (Source AS = Destination AS) - 2 Different Ways to Remediate



Oper IPv4 per RFC7938 (Dual-AS)

```
[Config]
router bgp 65111
router-id 111.1.1
neighbor Ethernet1/1-2
remote-as 65001
address-family ipv4 unicast
address-family ipv6 unicast
!
interface Ethernet1/1-2
ipv6 link-local ase-bia
ip forward
```

```
[Config]
router bgp 65001
router-id 1.1.1.1
neighbor Ethernet1/1
remote-as 65111
address-family ipv4 unicast
address-family ipv6 unicast!
interface Ethernet1/1
ipv6 link-local use-bia
ip forward
```

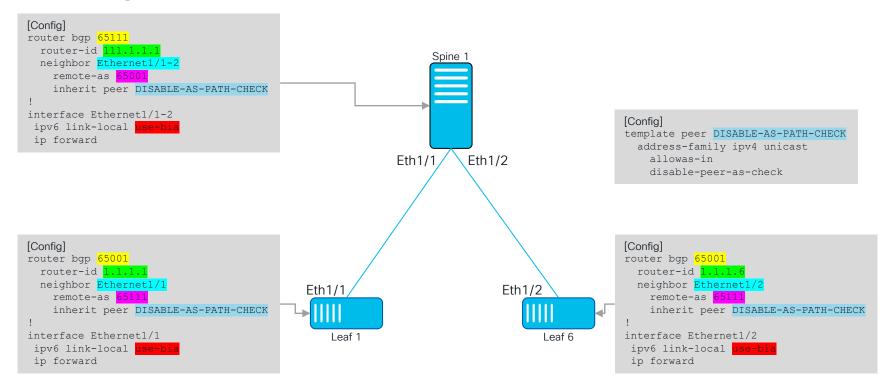
```
[Output]
Leaf1# show ip route
IP Route Table for VRF "default"
'*' denotes best ucast next-hop
'**' denotes best mcast next-hop
'[x/y]' denotes [preference/metric]
'%<string>' in via output denotes VRF <string>
10.131.131.131/32, ubest/mbest: 2/0, attached
    *via 10.131.131.131, Lo0, [0/0], 00:19:19, local, tag 12345
    *via 10.131.131.131, Lo0, [0/0], 00:19:19, direct, tag 12345
Leaf1# show ip bgp
BGP routing table information for VRF default, address family IPv4 Unicast
BGP table version is 8, Local Router ID is 1.1.1.1
Status: s-suppressed, x-deleted, S-stale, d-dampened, h-history, *-valid, >-best
Path type: i-internal, e-external, c-confed, l-local, a-aggregate, r-redist, I-injected
Origin codes: i - IGP, e - EGP, ? - incomplete, | - multipath, & - backup, 2 - best2
                      Next Hop
                                                                 Weight Path
   Network
                                           Metric
                                                      LocPrf
*>r<mark>10.131.131.131</mark>/32 0.0.0.0
                                                                  32768 ?
```

No Routes from the other Leaf (same ASN)

This is NOT just going to work (Source AS = Destination AS) - 2 Different Ways to Remediate



Config per RFC7938 (Dual-AS with knobs)



Option #1 - Dual-AS; Let's turn some BGP knobs



Oper IPv4 per RFC7938 (Dual-AS with knobs)

```
[Config]
router bgp 65111
router-id 111.1.1.1
neighbor Ethernet1/1-2
remote-as 65001
inherit peer DISABLE-AS-PATH-CHECK
!
interface Ethernet1/1-2
ipv6 link-local Use-bia
ip forward
```

```
[Config]
router bgp 65001
router-id 1.1.1.1
neighbor Ethernet1/1
remote-as 65111
inherit peer DISABLE-AS-PATH-CHECK
!
interface Ethernet1/1
ipv6 link-local ise-bis
ip forward
```

```
[Output]
Leaf1# show ip route
IP Route Table for VRF "default"
'*' denotes best ucast next-hop
'**' denotes best mcast next-hop
'[x/y]' denotes [preference/metric]
'%<string>' in via output denotes VRF <string>
10.131.131.131/32, ubest/mbest: 2/0, attached
    *via 10.131.131.131, Lo0, [0/0], 00:19:19, local, tag 12345
    *via 10.131.131.131, LoO, [0/0], 00:19:19, direct, tag 12345
10.132.132.132/32, ubest/mbest: 1/0
    *via fe80::720f:6aff:fe0b:6196%default, Eth1/1, [20/0], 00:00:23, bqp-65001, external, tag 65111
Leaf1# show ip bqp
BGP routing table information for VRF default, address family IPv4 Unicast
BGP table version is 6, Local Router ID is 1.1.1.1
Status: s-suppressed, x-deleted, S-stale, d-dampened, h-history, *-valid, >-best
Path type: i-internal, e-external, c-confed, l-local, a-aggregate, r-redist, I-injected
Origin codes: i - IGP, e - EGP, ? - incomplete, | - multipath, & - backup, 2 - best2
   Network
                      Next Hop
                                          Metric
                                                     LocPrf
                                                                Weight Path
*>r10.131.131.131/32 0.0.0.0
                                                                 32768 ?
*>e10.132.132.132/32 fe80::720f:6aff:fe0b:6196
                                                                      0 65111 65001 ?
```

Option #1 - Dual-AS; Let's turn some BGP knobs



Oper IPv6 per RFC7938 Dual-AS

```
[Config]
router bgp 65111
router-id 111.1.1.1
neighbor Ethernet1/1-2
remote-as 65001
inherit peer DISABLE-AS-PATH-CHECK
!
interface Ethernet1/1-2
ipv6 link-local 150-bin
ip forward
```

```
[Config]
router bgp 65001
router-id 1.1.1.1
neighbor Ethernet1/1
remote-as 65111
inherit peer DISABLE-AS-PATH-CHECK
!
interface Ethernet1/1
ipv6 link-local ise-bia
ip forward
```

```
[Output]
Leaf1# show ipv6 route
IPv6 Routing Table for VRF "default"
'*' denotes best ucast next-hop
'**' denotes best mcast next-hop
'[x/y]' denotes [preference/metric]
fc00::131/128, ubest/mbest: 2/0, attached
    *via fc00::131, Lo0, [0/0], 09:48:14, direct, , tag 12345
    *via fc00::131, Lo0, [0/0], 09:48:14, local, tag 12345
fc00::132/128, ubest/mbest: 1/0
    *via fe80::720f:6aff:fe0b:6196, Eth1/1, [20/0], 00:00:25, bgp-65001, external, tag 65111
Leaf1# show ipv6 bgp
BGP routing table information for VRF default, address family IPv6 Unicast
BGP table version is 11, Local Router ID is 1.1.1.1
Status: s-suppressed, x-deleted, S-stale, d-dampened, h-history, *-valid, >-best
Path type: i-internal, e-external, c-confed, l-local, a-aggregate, r-redist, I-injected
Origin codes: i - IGP, e - EGP, ? - incomplete, | - multipath, & - backup, 2 - best2
                                                                Weight Path
   Network
                      Next Hop
                                          Metric
                                                     LocPrf
*>rfc00::131/128
                                                                 32768 ?
*>efc00::132/128
                      fe80::720f:6aff:fe0b:6196
                                                                      0 65111 65001 ?
```

Option #1 - Dual-AS; Let's turn some BGP knobs



Config of Multi-AS

```
[Confia]
router bgp 65111
  router-id 111.1.1.1
                                                                        Spine 1
  neighbor Ethernet1/1
    remote-as 65001
    address-family ipv4 unicast
    address-family ipv6 unicast
 neighbor <a href="Ethernet1/2">Ethernet1/2</a>
    remote-as 65006
    address-family ipv4 unicast
    address-family ipv6 unicast
                                                                             Eth1/2
                                                                 Eth1/1
interface Ethernet1/1
 ipv6 link-local
 ip forward
[Confia]
                                                                                                         [Confia]
router bgp 65001
                                                                                                         router bgp 65006
  router-id 1.1.1.1
                                                                                                            router-id 1.1.1.6
  neighbor <a href="Ethernet1/1">Ethernet1/1</a>
                                                                                                            neighbor <a>Ethernet1/2</a>
                                                                                    Eth1/2
                                                 Eth1/1
    remote-as 65111
                                                                                                              remote-as 65111
    address-family ipv4 unicast
                                                                                                              address-family ipv4 unicast
    address-family ipv6 unicast
                                                                                                              address-family ipv6 unicast
                                                     Leaf 1
                                                                                           Leaf 6
interface Ethernet1/1
                                                                                                         interface Ethernet1/2
 ipv6 link-local
                                                                                                          ipv6 link-local
 ip forward
                                                                                                          ip forward
```

Option #2 - Multi-AS; each Switch will get its own AS (more in BGP Auto-Fabric)



Oper of IPv4 in Multi-AS

```
[Confia]
                                           [Output]
router bgp 65111
                                           Leaf1# show ip route
  router-id 111.1.1.1
                                           IP Route Table for VRF "default"
  neighbor Ethernet1/1
                                           '*' denotes best ucast next-hop
    remote-as 65001
                                           '**' denotes best mcast next-hop
    address-family ipv4 unicast
                                           '[x/y]' denotes [preference/metric]
    address-family ipv6 unicast
                                           '%<string>' in via output denotes VRF <string>
 neighbor Ethernet1/2
    remote-as 65006
                                           10.131.131.131/32, ubest/mbest: 2/0, attached
    address-family ipv4 unicast
                                               *via 10.131.131.131, Lo0, [0/0], 00:19:19, local, tag 12345
    address-family ipv6 unicast
                                               *via 10.131.131.131, Lo0, [0/0], 00:19:19, direct, tag 12345
                                           10.132.132.132/32, ubest/mbest: 1/0
interface Ethernet1/1
                                               *via fe80::720f:6aff:fe0b:6196%default, Eth1/1, [20/0], 00:00:23, bqp-65001, external, taq 65111
 ipv6 link-local use-bi
 ip forward
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router bgp 65001
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  router-id 1.1.1.1
  neighbor Ethernet1/1
    remote-as 65111
                                              Network
                                                                 Next Hop
                                                                                      Metric
                                                                                                 LocPrf
                                                                                                            Weight Path
                                           *>r10.131.131.131/32 0.0.0.0
                                                                                                             32768 ?
    address-family ipv4 unicast
                                           *>e10.132.132.132/32 fe80::720f:6aff:fe0b:6196
    address-family ipv6 unicast
                                                                                                                  0 <mark>65111</mark> 65006 ?
interface Ethernet1/1
 ipv6 link-local
```

Option #2 - Multi-AS; each Switch will get its own AS (more in BGP Auto-Fabric)



ip forward

Oper of IPv6 in Multi-AS

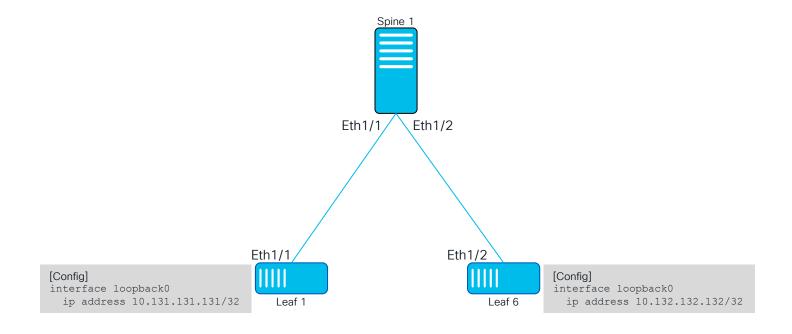
```
[Confia]
                                           [Output]
router bgp 65111
                                          Leaf1# show ipv6 route
  router-id 111.1.1.1
                                          IPv6 Routing Table for VRF "default"
  neighbor Ethernet1/1
                                           '*' denotes best ucast next-hop
    remote-as 65001
                                           '**' denotes best mcast next-hop
    address-family ipv4 unicast
                                           '[x/y]' denotes [preference/metric]
    address-family ipv6 unicast
 neighbor Ethernet1/2
                                           fc00::131/128, ubest/mbest: 2/0, attached
    remote-as 65006
                                               *via fc00::131, Lo0, [0/0], 09:48:14, direct, , tag 12345
    address-family ipv4 unicast
                                               *via fc00::131, Lo0, [0/0], 09:48:14, local, tag 12345
    address-family ipv6 unicast
                                           fc00::132/128, ubest/mbest: 1/0
                                               *via fe80::720f:6aff:fe0b:6196, Eth1/1, [20/0], 00:00:25, bgp-65001, external, tag 65111
interface Ethernet1/1
 ipv6 link-local
                                          Leaf1# show ipv6 bgp
 ip forward
                                          BGP routing table information for VRF default, address family IPv6 Unicast
                                          BGP table version is 11, Local Router ID is 1.1.1.1
                                          Status: s-suppressed, x-deleted, S-stale, d-dampened, h-history, *-valid, >-best
                                          Path type: i-internal, e-external, c-confed, l-local, a-aggregate, r-redist, I-injected
[Confia]
                                          Origin codes: i - IGP, e - EGP, ? - incomplete, | - multipath, & - backup, 2 - best2
router bgp 65001
  router-id 1.1.1.1
  neighbor Ethernet1/1
                                                                 Next Hop
                                                                                     Metric
                                                                                                            Weight Path
                                              Network
                                                                                                 LocPrf
                                           *>rfc00::131/128
    remote-as 65111
                                                                                                             32768 ?
                                           *>efc00::132/128
                                                                 fe80::720f:6aff:fe0b:6196
    address-family ipv4 unicast
    address-family ipv6 unicast
                                                                                                                 0 65111 65006 ?
interface Ethernet1/1
 ipv6 link-local
```

Option #2 - Multi-AS; each Switch will get its own AS (more in BGP Auto-Fabric)



ip forward

Ping and Traceroute - we need some Loopbacks







```
[Output]
Leaf1# traceroute 10.132.132.132 source 10.131.131.131
traceroute to 10.132.132.132.132 (10.132.132.132) from 10.131.131.131 (10.131.131.131), 30 hops max, 48 byte packets
   1.001 ms 0.578 ms 0.734 ms
2 10.132.132.132 (10.132.132.132) (AS 65001) 0.941 ms 0.607 ms 0.523 ms
                 IPv4 Traceroute with No Loopback on Spine
                                Eth1/1
                                                             Eth1/2
 [Config]
                                                                             [Config]
 interface loopback0
                                                                             interface loopback0
   ip address 10.131.131.131/32
                                   Leaf 1
                                                                   Leaf 6
                                                                               ip address 10.132.132.132/32
```

Something is Missing!?



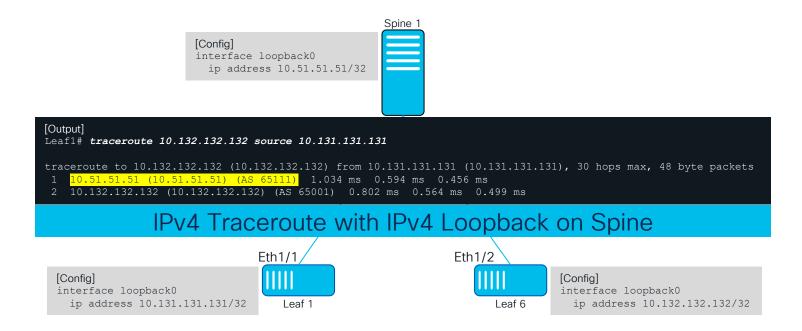


```
[Output]
Leaf1# traceroute6 fc00::132 source fc00::131
traceroute to fc00::132 (fc00::132) from fc00::131, 30 hops max, 24 byte packets
    fe80::720f:6aff:fe0b:6196 1.558 ms 0.964 ms 0.914 ms
   fc00::132 1.338 ms 1.112 ms 1.031 ms
                 IPv4 Traceroute with No Loopback on Spine
                               Eth1/1
                                                            Eth1/2
 [Config]
                                                                            [Config]
 interface loopback0
                                                                            interface loopback0
   ipv6 address fc00::131/128
                                   Leaf 1
                                                                  Leaf 6
                                                                              ipv6 address fc00::132/128
```

Complete but Difficult to Read

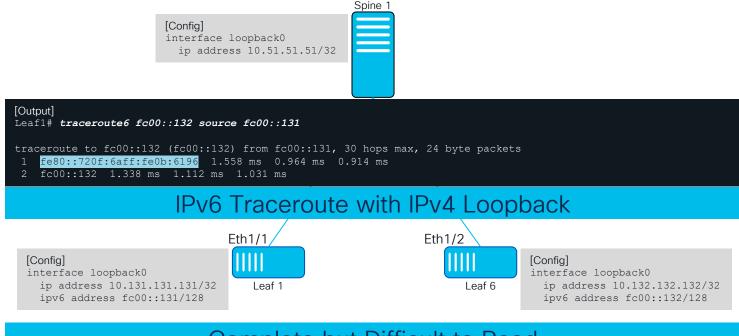


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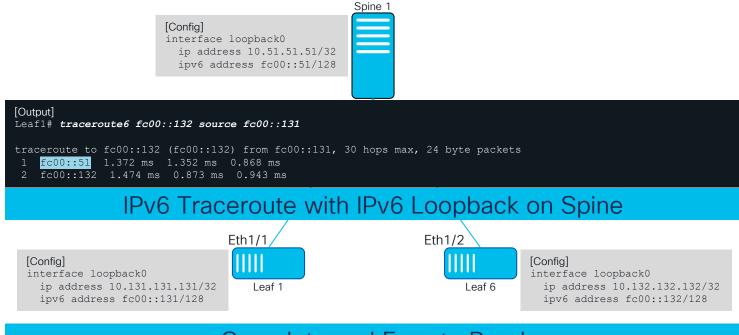
Complete and Easy to Read





Complete but Difficult to Read





Complete and Easy to Read





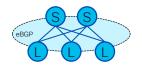
- A Loopback per Switch helps in Operational Tasks
 - For IPv4, add a IPv4 Loopback. For IPv6, add a IPv6 Loopback
- Ping for Connectivity Test
 - Loopback to Loopback
 - Physical Interface to Physical Interface (Link-Local Address)
- Traceroute becomes easy to Read
 - Each Hop clearly identified by the Loopback IP address (IPv4 or IPv6)
 - In Leaf/Spine, Loopback address is sufficient (there is no other path)
- In-band Management (Loopback to Loopback or LLA to LLA)



BGP Auto-Fabric

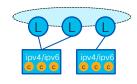


What is BGP Auto-Fabric?



Self Organized BGP Fabric

Autonomously Derives Key Values for BGP Avoids Per-Interface IP Addressing Automates BGP ASN and Router-ID Simplifies BGP Peer Configuration



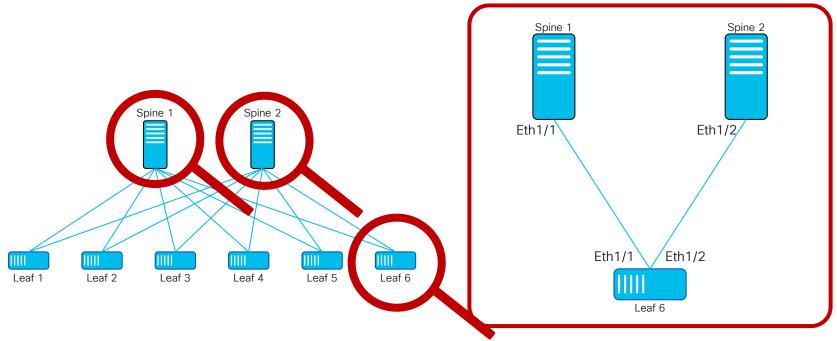
For IPv4 and IPv6 Needs

No Requirement for Dual-Stack Config Simplifies BGP peering with End-Points Autonomous Node IP Assignment Ready for "Cloud Native Applications"*



BGP Auto-Fabric at a glance

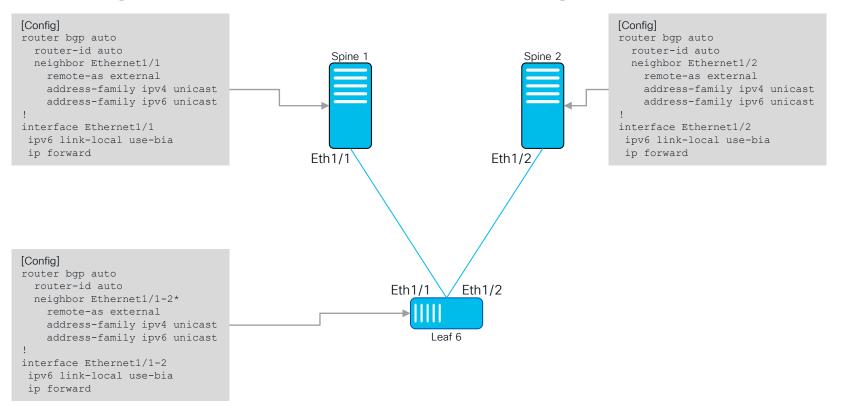
Magnifying some Nodes





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Config - BGP Auto-Fabric at a glance





Config Results - Auto Derived

```
[Config]
router bgp auto
router-id auto
neighbor Ethernet1/1
remote-as external
address-family ipv4 unicast
address-family ipv6 unicast
!
interface Ethernet1/1
ipv6 link-local ise-bid
ip forward

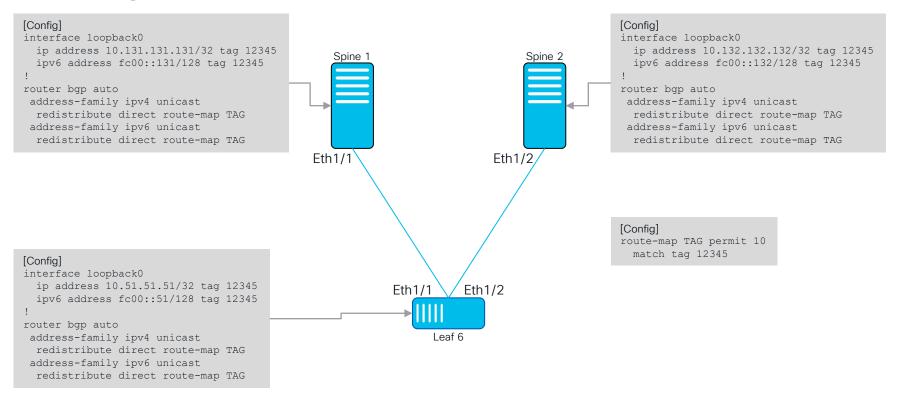
Auto/Peering Seed Values
Global: [System MAC]---
Per-Interface: [Interface
MAC]----
E
```

```
[Output]
Spine1# show bgp sessions
Total peers 1, established peers 1
ASN 4272508914
VRF default, local ASN 4272508914
peers 1, established peers 1, local router-id 21.77.167.239
State: I-Idle, A-Active, O-Open, E-Established, C-Closing, S-Shutdown
Neighbor
                       Flaps LastUpDn|LastRead|LastWrit St Port(L/R) Notif(S/R)
e80::720f:6aff:fe0b:6196%Ethernet1/1
                            01:01:59|00:00:52|00:00:19 E
                                                            23388/179
Spine1#
Spine1# show ipv6 interface brief
IPv6 Interface Status for VRF "default"(1)
Interface
                 IPv6 Address/Link-local Address
                                                            Interface Status
                                                            prot/link/admin
Et.h1/1
                 fe80::720f:6aff:fe4d:a7f0
                                                            up/up/up
                 fe80::720f:6aff:fe4d:a7f0
Spine1#
Spine1# show ip interface brief
IP Interface Status for VRF "default" (1)
Interface
                     IP Address
                                      Interface Status
Eth1/1
                     forward-enabled protocol-up/link-up/admin-up
```

```
local bgp ASN
local bgp RID
bgp neighbor / next-hop / if
peer bgp ASN
IPv6 Link-Local
```



Adding some Loopacks

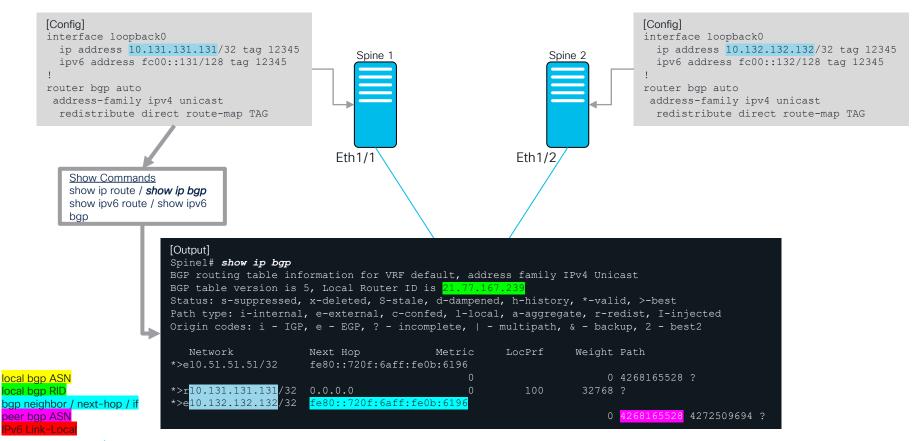




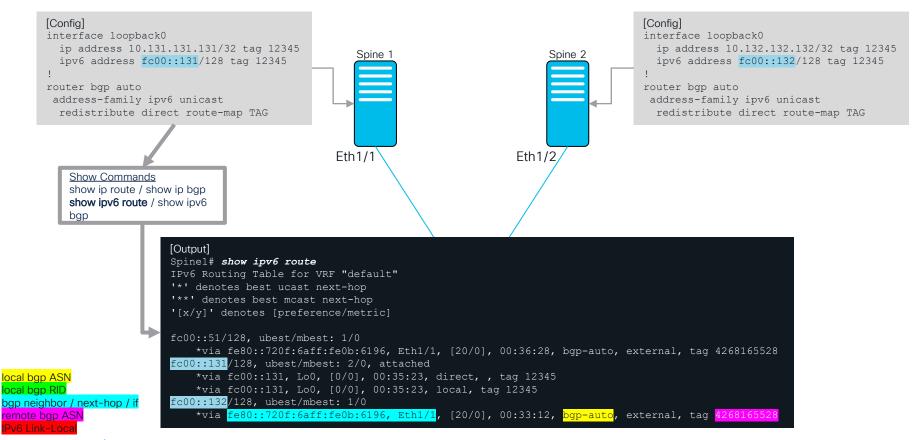
IPv4 Routing Output Example

```
[Confia]
                                                                                                         [Confia]
       interface loopback0
                                                                                                         interface loopback0
         ip address 10.131.131.131/32 tag 12345
                                                                                                           ip address 10.132.132.132/32 tag 12345
                                                          Spine 1
                                                                                          Spine 2
         ipv6 address fc00::131/128 tag 12345
                                                                                                           ipv6 address fc00::132/128 tag 12345
       router bop auto
                                                                                                         router bop auto
        address-family ipv4 unicast
                                                                                                          address-family ipv4 unicast
         redistribute direct route-map TAG
                                                                                                           redistribute direct route-map TAG
                                                       Eth1/1
                                                                                    Eth1/2
           Show Commands
           show ip route / show ip bgp
          show ipv6 route / show ipv6
          bgp
                           [Output]
                           Spine1# show ip route
                           IP Route Table for VRF "default"
                           '*' denotes best ucast next-hop
                           '**' denotes best mcast next-hop
                            '[x/y]' denotes [preference/metric]
                            '%<string>' in via output denotes VRF <string>
                           10.51.51.51/32, ubest/mbest: 1/0
                               *via fe80::720f:6aff:fe0b:6196%default, Eth1/1, [20/0], 00:20:35, bgp-auto, external, tag 4268165528
                            10.131.131.131/32, ubest/mbest: 2/0, attached
local bop ASN
                               *via 10.131.131.131, Lo0, [0/0], 00:19:19, local, tag 12345
local bop RID
                               *via 10.131.131.131, LoO, [0/0], 00:19:19, direct, tag 12345
bap neighbor / next-hop / if
                            10.132.132.132/32, ubest/mbest: 1/0
peer bgp ASN
                               *via fe80::720f:6aff:fe0b:6196%default, Eth1/1, [20/0], 00:17:21, bgp-auto, external, tag 426816552
```

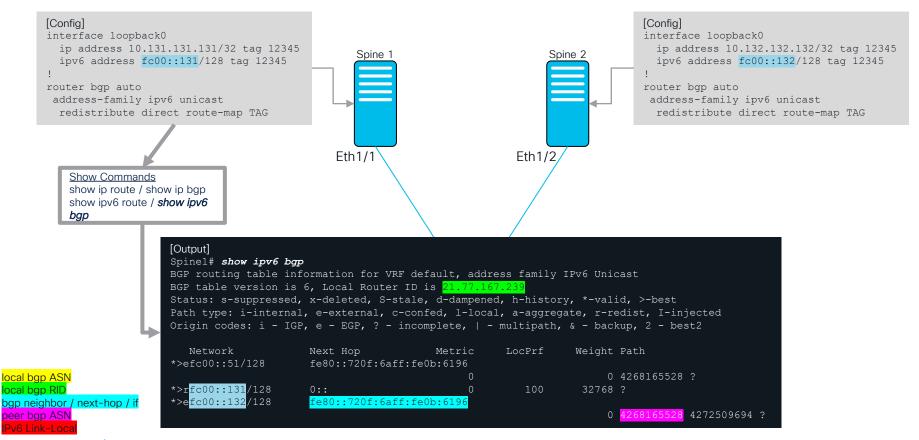
IPv4 Routing Output Example



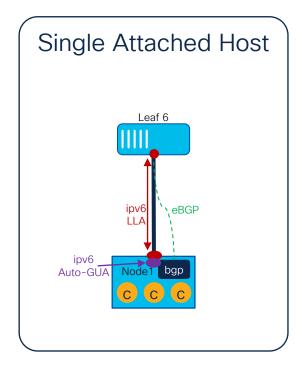
IPv6 Routing Output Example

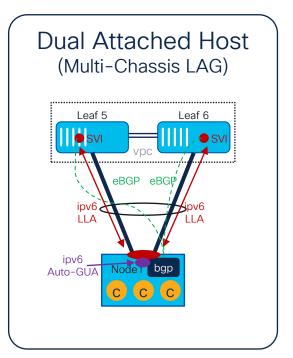


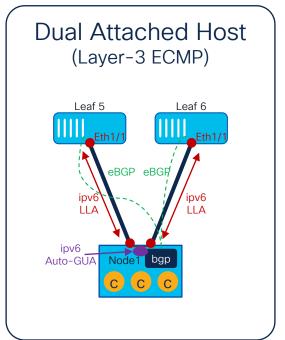
IPv6 Routing Output Example



Host Attachments BGP Auto-Fabric at a glance









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BGP Load Balancing - Per-Leaf Next-Hop Leaf 2 Leaf 1 Leaf 3 Leaf 5 Leaf 4 Leaf 6 Node1 bgp CCC CCC CCC Rack4 Rack1 Rack2 Rack3 Application #1 - FC00::1/128 Runs on Node1, Node2, Node3, Node4, Node5

Node IP Addressing Example: IPv6 LLA - FE80::MAC

IPv6 GUA - FC00::RackID:NodeID



MAC Address - a1:b1:c1:d1:e1:11

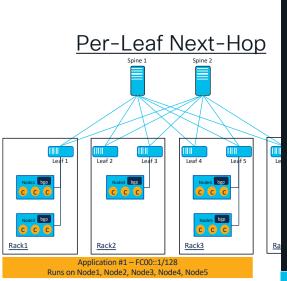
IPv6 Link-Local Address - FE80::a1b1:c1d1:e111/64

IPv6 Global Unicast Address - FC00::0001:a1b1:c1d1:e111/64





BGP Load Balancing - Per-Leaf Next-Hop



```
[Output]
Spine1# show ipv6 route
IPv6 Routing Table for VRF "default"
'*' denotes best ucast next-hop
'**' denotes best mcast next-hop
'[x/v]' denotes [preference/metric]
fc00::1/128, ubest/mbest: 2/0
    *via fe80::720f:6aff:fe4d:a7f0, Eth1/1, [20/0], 00:08:08,
                                                                ogp-auto,
                                                                         external, tag
    *via fe80::720f:6aff:fe4d:ab00, Eth1/3,
                                            [20/0], 00:17:22,
                                                                         external, tag
                                                                oop-auto
    *via fe80::720f:6aff:fe4d:a766, Eth1/5, [20/0], 00:22:52, ]
                                                                         external, tag
fc00::0001:a1b1:c1d1:e111/128, ubest/mbest: 1/0
    *via fe80::720f:6aff:fe4d:a7f0, Eth1/1, [20/0], 04:20:13, bgp-auto, external, tag
fc00::<mark>0001:a2b2:c2d2:e222</mark>/128, ubest/mbest: 1/0
    *via fe80::720f:6aff:fe4d:a7f0, Eth1/1,
                                            [20/0], 04:20:13, bgp-auto, external, tag
fc00::0002 a3b3:c3d3:e333/128, ubest/mbest: 1/0
    *via fe80::720f:6aff:fe4d:ab00, Eth1/3,
                                            [20/0], 04:18:47, bgp-auto, external, tag Rack2-4byteASN
fc00::0003:a4b4:c4d4:e444/128, ubest/mbest: 1/0
    *via fe80::720f:6aff:fe4d:a766, Eth1/5, [20/0], 04:18:47, bgp-auto, external, tag Rack3-4byteASN
fc00::0003:a5b5:c5d5:e555/128, ubest/mbest: 1/0
    *via fe80::720f:6aff:fe4d:a766, Eth1/5, [20/0], 04:18:47, bqp-auto, external, tag Rack3-4byteASN
```

Load Balancing to where the Server connects (Leaf)

Node IP Addressing Example: IPv6 LLA - FE80::MAC IPv6 GUA - FC00::RackID:NodeID



MAC Address - a1:b1:c1:d1:e1:11

IPv6 Link-Local Address - FE80::a1b1:c1d1:e111/64

IPv6 Global Unicast Address - FC00::0001:a1b1:c1d1:e111/64





BGP Load Balancing - Per-Leaf Next-Hop Per Rack Load Balancing 1/3 per each Rack even as 5 Server exists Servers in Rack1 and Rack3 are probably underutilized Leaf 2 Leaf 3 Leaf 1 Leaf 5 Leal Leaf 4 Node1 bgp CCC CCC c c c Rack4 Rack1 Rack2 Rack3 Application #1 - FC00::1/128 Runs on Node1, Node2, Node3, Node4, Node5

Node IP Addressing Example: IPv6 LLA - FE80::MAC IPv6 GUA - FC00::RackID:NodeID



MAC Address - a1:b1:c1:d1:e1:11

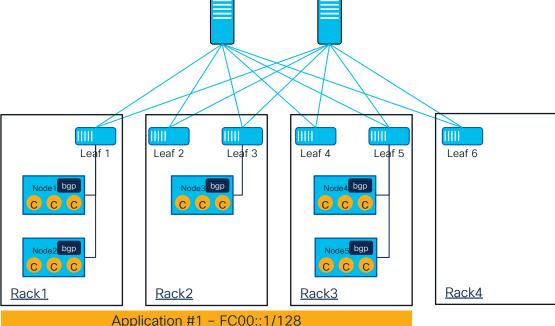
IPv6 Link-Local Address - FE80::a1b1:c1d1:e111/64

IPv6 Global Unicast Address - FC00::0001:a1b1:c1d1:e111/64





Optimized BGP Load Balancing - Per-Node NH



Application #1 - FC00::1/128
Runs on Node1, Node2, Node3, Node4, Node5

Node IP Addressing Example: IPv6 LLA - FE80::MAC

IPv6 GUA - FC00::RackID:NodeID



MAC Address - a1:b1:c1:d1:e1:11

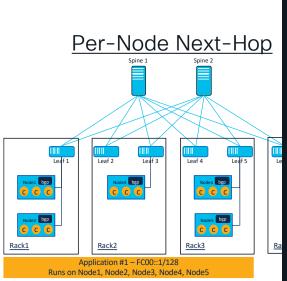
IPv6 Link-Local Address - FE80::a1b1:c1d1:e111/64

IPv6 Global Unicast Address - FC00::0001:a1b1:c1d1:e111/64





Optimized BGP Load Balancing - Per-Node NH



```
[Output]
Spine1# show ipv6 route
IPv6 Routing Table for VRF "default"
'*' denotes best ucast next-hop
'**' denotes best mcast next-hop
'[x/v]' denotes [preference/metric]
fc00::1/128, ubest/mbest: 2/0
    *via fc00::0001:a1b1:c1d1:e111,
                                            [20/0], 00:08:08,
                                                                gp-auto,
                                                                         external, tag
    *via fc00::0001:a2b2:c2d2:e2
                                            [20/0], 00:08:08,
                                                                         external, tag
                                                                σp-auto
    *via fc00::0002:a3b3:c3d3:e333, Eth1/3,
                                            [20/0], 00:17:22,
                                                                σp-auto
                                                                         external, tag
    *via fc00::0003:a4b4:c4d4:e444, Eth1/5,
                                            [20/0], 00:22:52,
                                                                         external, tag
                                                                ogp-auto
    *via fc00::0003:a5b5:c5d5:e5
                                            [20/0], 00:22:52,
                                                                         external, tag
fc00::0001:alb1:cld1:el11/128, ubest/mbest: 1/0
    *via fe80::720f:6aff:fe4d:a7f0, Eth1/1,
                                            [20/0], 04:20:13, bgp-auto, external, tag
fc00::0001:a2b2:c2d2:e222/128, ubest/mbest: 1/0
    *via fe80::720f:6aff:fe4d:a7f0, Eth1/1,
                                            [20/0], 04:20:13, bgp-auto, external, tag Rack1-4byteASN
fc00::0002:a3b3:c3d3:e333/128, ubest/mbest: 1/0
    *via fe80::720f:6aff:fe4d:ab00, Eth1/3, [20/0], 04:18:47, bgp-auto, external, tag Rack2-4byteASN
fc00::0003:a4b4:c4d4:e444/128, ubest/mbest: 1/0
    *via fe80::720f:6aff:fe4d:a766, Eth1/5, [20/0], 04:18:47, bgp-auto, external, tag
fc00::0003:a5b5:c5d5:e555/128, ubest/mbest: 1/0
    *via fe80::720f:6aff:fe4d:a766, Eth1/5, [20/0], 04:18:47, bqp-auto, external, tag Rack3-4byteASN
```

Load Balancing to where the Application runs (Server)

Node IP Addressing Example: IPv6 LLA - FE80::MAC IPv6 GUA - FC00::RackID:NodelI



MAC Address - a1:b1:c1:d1:e1:11

IPv6 Link-Local Address - FE80::a1b1:c1d1:e111/64

IPv6 Global Unicast Address - FC00::0001:a1b1:c1d1:e111/64



MAC Address - a5:b5:c5:d5:e5:55

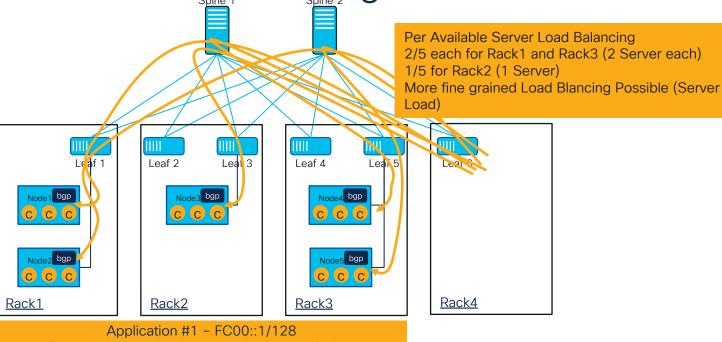
IPv6 Link-Local Address - FE80::<mark>a5b5:c5d5:e555</mark>/64

IPv6 Global Unicast Address - FC00::0003:a5b5:c5d5:e5



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Optimized BGP Load Balancing - Per-Node NH



Runs on Node1, Node2, Node3, Node4, Node5

Node IP Addressing Example: IPv6 LLA - FE80::MAC IPv6 GUA - FC00::RackID:NodelE



MAC Address - a1:b1:c1:d1:e1:11 IPv6 Link-Local Address - FE80::a1b1:c1d1:e111/64 IPv6 Global Unicast Address - FC00::0001:a1b1:c1d1:e111/64





Conclusion



Conclusion

#1

#2

RFC 5549 or IPv4/IPv6 Prefix via IPv6 Next-Hop

Another tool in your Toolbox
Available for over 10 years (not only in NX-OS)
Active and Updates (RFC 5549 refreshed to RFC 8950)
In production with Service Provider and in the largest Data Center Facilitates IPv4 and IPv6 Routing without the need for Dual-Stack

BGP Auto-Fabric

Builds on RFC 5549 / RFC 8950 and leverages RFC 7938
Simplifies the Setup and Operation of BGP Fabrics
Simple Layer-3 Fabric for modern Applications
Optimizes Forwarding in a Layer-3 Fabric
Ready for "Cloud Native Application"*
No Overlay Required



Resources - Cisco NX-OS

- RFC 5549
 - See Unicast Routing Configuration Guide Advanced BGP
- BGP Auto-Fabric
 - Supported starting NX-OS 10.2(3)F
 - See Unicast Routing Configuration Guide Advanced BGP



Resources - IETF

- RFC 5549 Advertising IPv4 Network Layer Reachability Information with an IPv6 Next Hop
 - https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/html/rfc5549
- RFC 8950 Advertising IPv4 Network Layer Reachability Information (NLRI) with an IPv6 Next Hop
 - https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/html/rfc8950
- RFC 7938 Use of BGP for Routing in Large-Scale Data Centers
 - https://datatracker.ietf.org/doc/html/rfc7938



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