Improving IPv6-only experience on Linux

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What is the issue

It works well, **except for some** *small* **issues**:

- **IPv4 literals** don't work (outside Chrome)
- Legacy and/or **low-level apps** may not work well (eg. VirtualBox)

How are others solving this

- Android: There is in-device CLAT translating residual IPv4 to IPv6
- Apple: App developers are forced not to produce broken apps and there
 is a CLAT as well
- Windows: There is a CLAT but only if you plug in an USB modem

What have we done

- A **daemon in Python** listening for PREF64 option in Router Advertisements
- A **Go implementation** of RFC 7050 NAT64 prefix discovery
- Perl script clatd adjusted to support nat46 kernel module in place of TAYGA

We are not done yet

- There's still no comprehensive easy-to-use solution
- We really need to convince the developers of NetworkManager and systemdnetworkd

Wrap up

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Repositories:

- PREF64 RA Daemon
- Support for in-kernel <u>nat46</u> in <u>clatd</u>
- GoDNS64 a Go implementation of RFC 7050 NAT64 prefix discovery