

Basic Socket Interface Extensions for IPv6

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Purpose

- Make changes to basic socket interface
 - Let it complete support both IPv4 and IPv6
- To support larger address size
 - IPv4 (32bits)
 - IPv6 (128bits)
- To support new features of IPv6
 - Some of new features of IPv6 must be made visible to applications via the API
 - Traffic class
 - flowlabel



What needs to be changed

- Core socket functions
- Address data structures
- Name-to-address translation functions
- Address conversion functions



Some new term about socket interface for IPv6

- IPv6 socket address structure
 - sockaddr_in6
- IPv6 Address Family and Protocol Family
 - AF_INET6 and PF_INET6
- IPv6 address structure
 - in6_addr

Socket address structure for 4.3BSD-based systems

Socket address structure for 4.4BSD-based systems

```
struct sockaddr_in6 {

uint8_t sin6_len; /* length of this struct */

sa_family_t sin6_family; /* AF_INET6 */

in_port_t sin6_port; /* transport layer port # */

uint32_t sin6_flowinfo; /* IPv6 flow information */

struct in6_addr sin6_addr; /* IPv6 address */

uint32_t sin6_scope_id; /* set of interfaces for a scope */
};
```



IPv6 address structure

```
struct in6_addr {
    union {
       uint8_t __S6_u8[16];
       uint32_t __S6_u32[4];
       uint64_t __S6_u64[2];
    } _S6_un;
 };
 #define s6_addr __S6_un.__S6_u8
```



The socket functions (1)

- socket()
 - To create an IPv4/TCP socket
 - s=socket(PF_INET,SOCK_STERM,0)
 - To create an IPv4/UDP socket
 - s=socket(PF_INET,SOCK_DGRAM,0)
 - To create an IPv6/TCP socket
 - s=socket(PF_INET6,SOCK_STERM,0)
 - To create an IPv6/UDP socket
 - = socket(PF_INET6,SOCK_DGRAM,0)



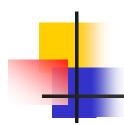
The socket functions (2)

- bind(),connect(),sendmsg(),sendto(), accept(),recvfrom(),recvmsg(), getpeername(),getsockname()
 - 這些socket functions的syntax和原來版本的一樣,並且支援IPv6



IPv6 wildcard address

- The applications want the system to select the source address for them
 - IPv4使用INADDR_ANY
 - IPv6使用in6addr_any
- Defined in <netinet6/in6.h>
 - extern const struct in6_addr in6addr_any;



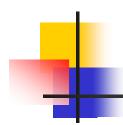
Example of IPv6 wildcard address

```
struct sockaddr_in6 sin6;
....
sin6.sin6_family = AF_INET6;
sin6.sin6_flowinfo = 0;
sin6.sin6_port = htons(23);
sin6.sin6_addr = in6addr_any; /* structure assignment */
...
if (bind(s, (struct sockaddr *) &sin6, sizeof(sin6)) == -1)
....
```



IPv6 loopback address

- Applications may need to send UDP packets to, or originate TCP connections to, services residing on the local node
 - IPv4使用INADDR_LOOPBACK
 - IPv6使用in6addr_loopback
- defined in <netinet6/in6.h>
 - extern const struct in6_addr in6addr_loopback;



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...
if (connect(s, (struct sockaddr *) &sin6, sizeof(sin6)) == -1)
...
```



Interface identification

- Name-to-Index
 - if_nametoindex()
- Index-to-Name
 - if_indextoname()
- Return all interface names and indexes
 - if_nameindex()
- Free memory
 - if_freenameindex()



Some new socket option defined for IPv6 (1)

- Can call getsockopt() and setsockopt() to manipulate the option associated with a socket
- The "level" parameter (the second parameter in getsockopt() and setsockopt() function call) is IPPROTO_IPV6
- The constant name prefix IPV6_ is used in all of the new socket option IPv6



Some new socket option defined for IPv6 (2)

- Such as
 - IPV6_UNICAST_HOPS
 - IPV6_MULTICAST_IF
 - IPV6_MULTICAST_HOPS
 - IPV6_MULTICAST_LOOP
 - IPV6_JOIN_GROUP
 - IPV6_LEAVE_GROUP



Example of socket options with setsockopt()



Example of socket options with getsockopt()



New library functions needed for socket interface supporting IPv6

- Functions are needed to lookup IPv6 address in the DNS
- Functions are needed to convert IPv6 addresses between their binary and textual form



Nodename-to-address translation

- 在IPv4中使用gethostbyname()
- 在IPv6中使用getipnodebyname()
- Example
 - hptr = getipnodebyname(name, AF_INET6, AI_DEFAULT, &error_num);



Address-to-nodename translation

- 在IPv4中使用gethostbyaddr()
- 在IPv6中使用getipnodebyaddr()



其它和name-to-address translation有關的function

- freehostent()
 - 在記憶體中清掉getipnodebyname()和 getipnodebyaddr()所產生的hostent structure和其 所指的information
- getaddrinfo()和getnameinfo()
 - Protocol-independent
 - 會將其所有的socket address structures傳回
- freeaddrinfo()
 - 將getaddrinfo()和getnameinfo()所產生的addrinfo structure所佔的記憶體釋放



Address conversion functions

- inet_addr() and inetntoa()convert an IPv4 address between binary and text form
- inet_pton() and inet_ntop()convert an IPv6 address between binary and text form

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Address testing macros

```
#include <netinet6/in6.h>
  int IN6_IS_ADDR_UNSPECIFIED (const struct in6_addr *);
  int IN6_IS_ADDR_LOOPBACK (const struct in6_addr *);
  int IN6_IS_ADDR_MULTICAST
                                (const struct in6_addr *);
                                (const struct in6_addr *);
  int IN6_IS_ADDR_LINKLOCAL
  int IN6_IS_ADDR_SITELOCAL
                                (const struct in6_addr *);
  int IN6_IS_ADDR_V4MAPPED
                                (const struct in6_addr *);
                                (const struct in6_addr *);
  int IN6_IS_ADDR_V4COMPAT
  int IN6_IS_ADDR_MC_NODELOCAL(const struct in6_addr *);
      IN6_IS_ADDR_MC_LINKLOCAL(const struct in6_addr *);
  int IN6_IS_ADDR_MC_SITELOCAL(const struct in6_addr *);
  int IN6_IS_ADDR_MC_ORGLOCAL (const struct in6_addr *);
  int IN6_IS_ADDR_MC_GLOBAL (const struct in6_addr *);
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```