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First Release of IPv6: What will be provided

- IPv6 host to address translations
- **♦ IPv6 host address support for NIS, NIS+ and DNS**
- ◆ IPv6 host database accessible through the Name Service Switch
- ◆ IPv6 host addresses cached in the Name Service Cache Daemon (nscd(1m))
- ◆ 100% backwards compatible with existing IPv4 clients



First Release of IPv6: What won't be available

- Name services over IPv6 transports
- Administration tool support



IPv4 & IPv6 Addresses Stored Separately

- NIS map, NIS+ table and /etc file created for IPv6 addresses
- Prevents existing IPv4 applications from unexpectedly receiving IPv6 addresses
- Separate IPv6 database can be served by older slave/ replica



Server Side Changes

New IPv6 host database created

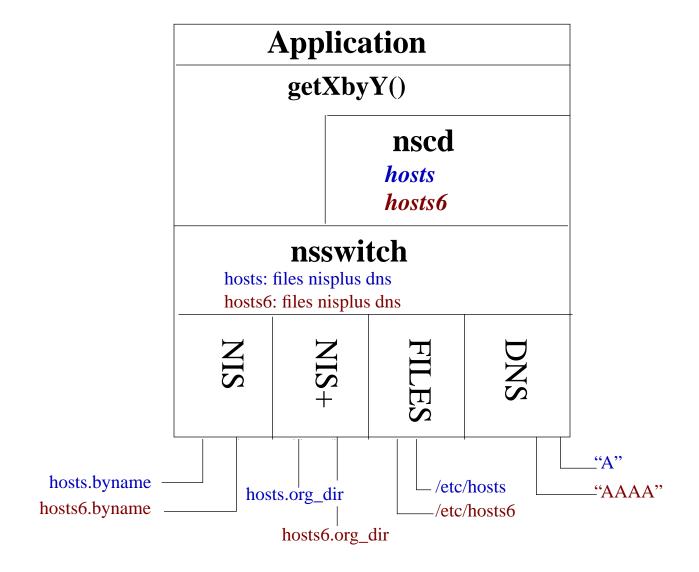
- hosts6.byname/hosts6.byaddr maps for NIS
- hosts6.org_dir table for NIS+
- "AAAA" record for DNS
- /etc/inet/hosts6 file for local file
- Updated utilities to create hosts6 database (ypmake(1M), nisaddent(1M), nispopulate(1M), etc)



Client Side Changes

New getXbyY() interface created for IPv6 host-to-address translation

- gethostbyname() will remain unchanged
- New getnodebyname() interface to access IPv6 and mapped IPv4 addresses for IPv6 hosts (RFC 2133)
- Name Service Switch will use separate lookup policy for hosts6 database
- Name Service Cache Daemon (nscd(1M)) will cache IPv6 addresses





Future Plans

- **♦ NIS, NIS+ and DNS service over IPv6 transport**Working with ISC on DNS running over IPv6
- IPv6 host address translations through LDAP