Lab (3) IPv6 Mobility

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Why a New IP?

- Only compelling reason: more addresses!
 - For billions of new devices,
 e.g., cell phones, PDAs, appliances, cars, etc.
 - For billions of new users, e.g., in China, India, etc.
 - For "always-on" access technologies, e.g., xDSL, cable, ethernet-to-the-home, PLC/BPL, etc.



But Isn't There Still Lots of IPv4 Address Space Left?

- 🖾 Less than 8% of IPv4 addressing space available
 - If size of Internet is doubling each year, does this mean only one year's worth?
- No, because today we deny unique IPv4 addresses to most new hosts
 - We make them use methods link NAT, PPP, etc. to share addresses
- But new types of applications and new types of access need unique addresses!



Why Are NAT's Not Adequate?

- They won't work for large numbers of "servers", i.e., devices that are "called" by others (e.g., IP phones)
- They inhibit deployment of new applications and services
- They compromise the performance, robustness, security, and manageability of the Internet



Incidental Benefits of Bigger Addresses

- Easy address auto-configuration
- Easier address management/delegation
- 22 Room for more levels of hierarchy, for route aggregation
- Ability to do end-to-end IPsec
 - (because NATs not needed)



Incidental Benefits of New Deployment

- Chance to eliminate some complexity, e.g., in IP header
- Chance to upgrade functionality, e.g., multicast, QoS, mobility
- Chance to include new enabling features, e.g., binding update.



Summary of Main IPv6 Benefits

- Expanded addressing capabilities
- Server-less autoconfiguration ("plug-n-play") and reconfiguration
- More efficient and robust mobility mechanisms
- Built-in, strong IP-layer encryption and authentication
- Streamlined header format and flow identification
- Improved support for options / extensions



Why Was 128 Bits Chosen as the IPv6 Address Size?

- Some wanted fixed-length, 64-bit addresses
 - Easily good for 10¹² sites, 10¹⁵ nodes, at .0001 allocation efficiency
 - Minimize growth of per-packet header overhead
 - Efficient for software processing
- Some wanted variable-length, up to 160 bits
 - Compatible with OSI NSAP addressing plans
 - Big enough for auto configuration using IEEE 802 address
 - Could start with addresses shorter than 64 bits & grow later
- Settled on fixed-length, 128-bit address



What Ever Happened to IPv5?

Version	Protocol	Reason
0-3		unassigned
4	IPv4	todays widespread version of IP
5	ST	The Internet Stream Protocol, RFC 1819, not a new IP
6	IPv6	formerly SIP, SIPP (Simple Internet Protocol Plus)
7	CATNIP	Common Architecture for Next Generation IP, formerly IPv7, IP/IX, RFC 1475, 1707; deprecated
8	PIP	Pip Internet Protocol, RFC 1621, 1622; deprecated
9	TUBA	TCP and UDP with Bigger Address, RFC 1347; deprecated
10-15		unassigned

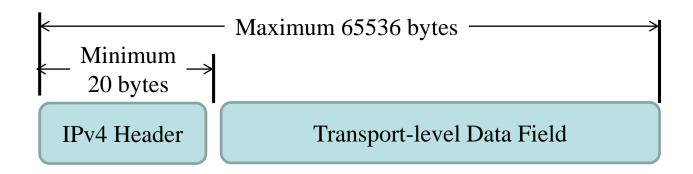


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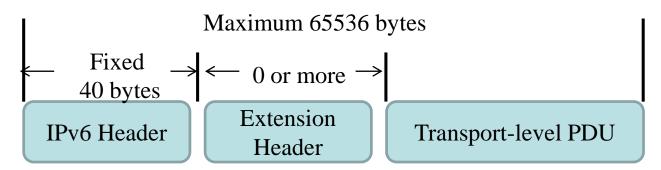
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IPv6 vs. IPv4 Packet Data Unit



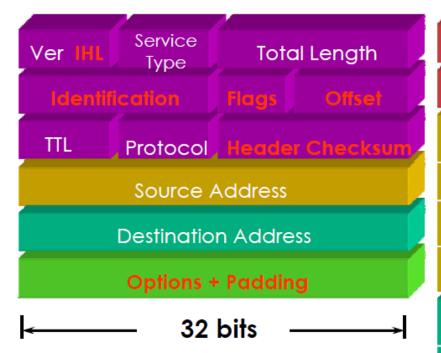
IPv4 PDU



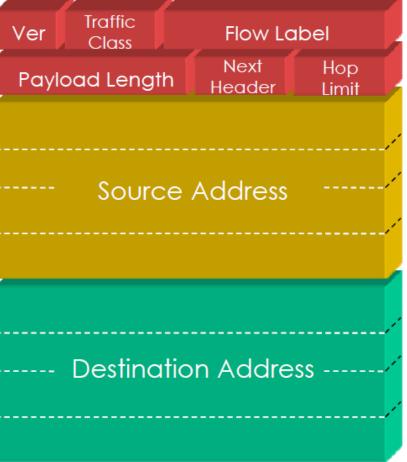


Comparison of IPv4 and IPv6 Headers

IPv4 Packet Header



IPv6 Packet Header





Summary of Header Changes Between IPv4 & IPv6

Streamlined

- Fragmentation fields moved out of base header
- IP options moved out of base header
- Header Checksum eliminated
- Header Length field eliminated
- Length field excludes IPv6 header

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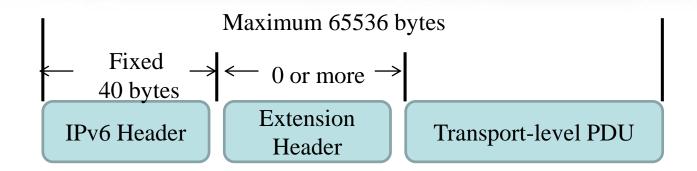
- Alignment changed from 32 to 64 bits
- Time to Live \rightarrow Hop Limit
- Protocol → Next Header
- Precedence & TOS → Traffic Class
- Addresses increased 32 bits → 128 bits



Extended

Flow Label field added

IPv6 Extension Headers



IPv6 PDU



- Hop-by-hop options header
- Destination options header
- Routing header
- Fragment header
- Authentication header
- Encapsulating security payload header
- Destination options header

Extension Header Examples

IPv6 header next header = TCP

TCP header + data

IPv6 header next header = Routing

Routing header next header = TCP

TCP header + data

IPv6 header next header = Routing

next header = Fragment

Routing header Fragment header next header = **TCP**

fragment of TCP header + data



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Stateless Auto-Configuration

- Uses some of Neighbor Discovery ICMPv6 messages
 - Neighbor Discovery message is used to discover the presence and link-layer addresses of other nodes
- On network initialization a node can obtain:
 - IPv6 prefix(es)
 - Default router address(es)
 - Hop limit
 - (link local)MTU
- Only routers have to be manually configured
- Hosts can automatically get an IPv6 address



But it isn't automatically registered in the DNS

Stateless Auto-Configuration

- ☐ IPv6 Stateless Address Auto-Configuration is described in RFC 4862.
- Hosts are listening for Router Advertisements (RA) messages, periodically transmitted by routers.
- RA messages coming from the router(s) on the link identify the subnet
- Allows a host to create a global IPv6 address from:
 - Its interface identifier (EUI-64 address)
 - Link Prefix (obtained via Router Advertisement)

Global Address = Link Prefix + EUI-64 address



Stateless Auto-Configuration

- Usually, the router sending the RA messages is used, by hosts, as the default router.
- If the RA doesn't carry any prefix
 - The hosts don't configure (automatically) any global IPv6 address (but may configure the default gateway address).
- RA messages contain two flags indicating what type of stateful autoconfiguration (if any) should be performed.
- It's impossible to automatically send DNS server addresses.



Stateless Auto-Configuration Example

MAC address is 00:0E:0C:31:C8:1F

EUI-64 address is 20E:0CFF:FE31:C81F

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Link-local address:

FE80::20E:0CFF:FE31:C81F

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Stateless address:

2001:690:1:1:20E:0CFF:FE31:**C**81F

- 1. Create the link local address
- 2. Do a Duplicate Address Detection
- 3. Send Router Solicitation
- 4. Receive Router Advertisement
- 5. Create global address
- 5. Do a DAD
- 7. Set Default Router and the DNS Server Address

Router Solicitation
Dest. FF02::2

Router Advertisement 2001:690:1:1

(All routers multicast address)

FF02::2

Router Link-local address:

FE80::20F:23FF:FEF0:551A



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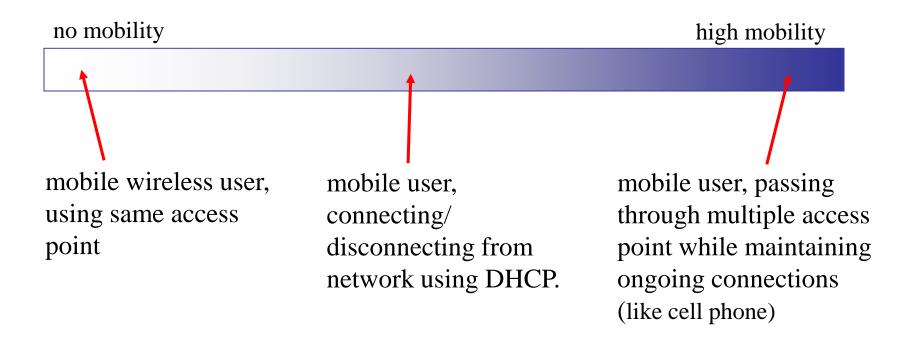
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What is mobility?

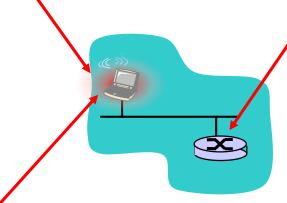
Spectrum of mobility, from the *network* perspective:





Mobility: Vocabulary

Home network: permanent "home" of mobile (e.g., 128.119.40/24)

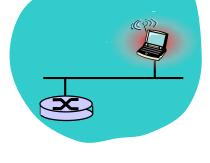


Permanent address:

address in home network, *can always* be used to reach mobile e.g., 128.119.40.186

Home agent: entity that will perform mobility functions on behalf of mobile, when mobile is remote

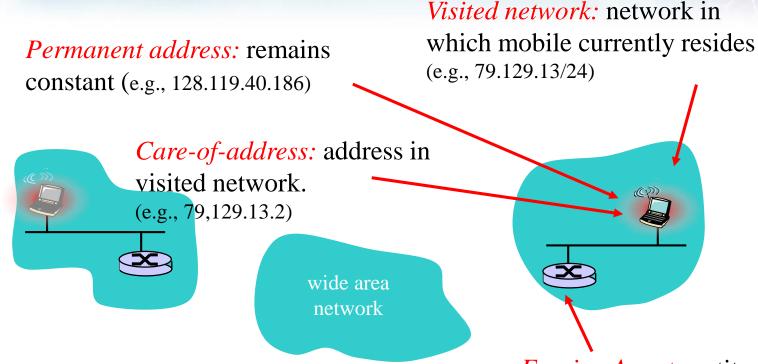








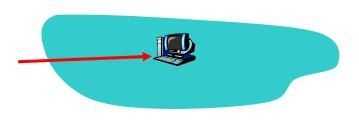
Mobility: more vocabulary



Correspondent Node: wants to communicate with mobile

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Foreign Agent: entity in visited network that performs mobility functions on behalf of mobile.

How do you contact a mobile friend:

Consider friend frequently changing addresses, how do you find her?

- **Search all phone books?**
- call her parents?
- **Expect her to let you** know where he/she is?

I wonder where Alice moved to?



Mobility: approaches

- ☐ Let routing handle it: routers advertise permanent address of mobile-nodes-in-residence via usual routing table exchange.
 - routing tables indicate where each mobile located
 - no changes to end-systems
- Let end-systems handle it:
 - *indirect routing:* communication from correspondent to mobile goes through home agent, then forwarded to remote
 - *direct routing:* correspondent gets foreign address of mobile, sends directly to mobile

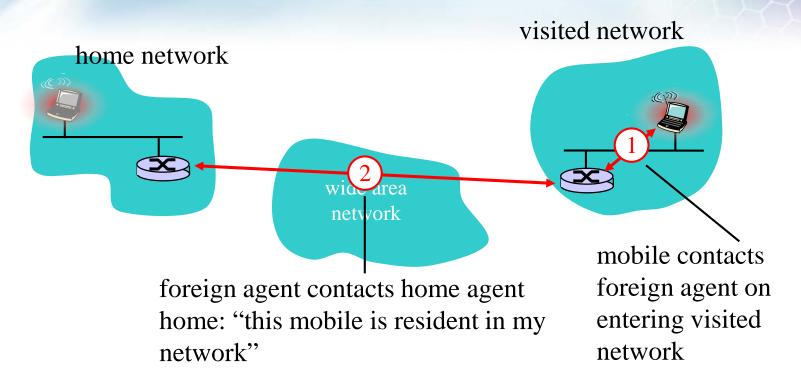


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Mobility: registration

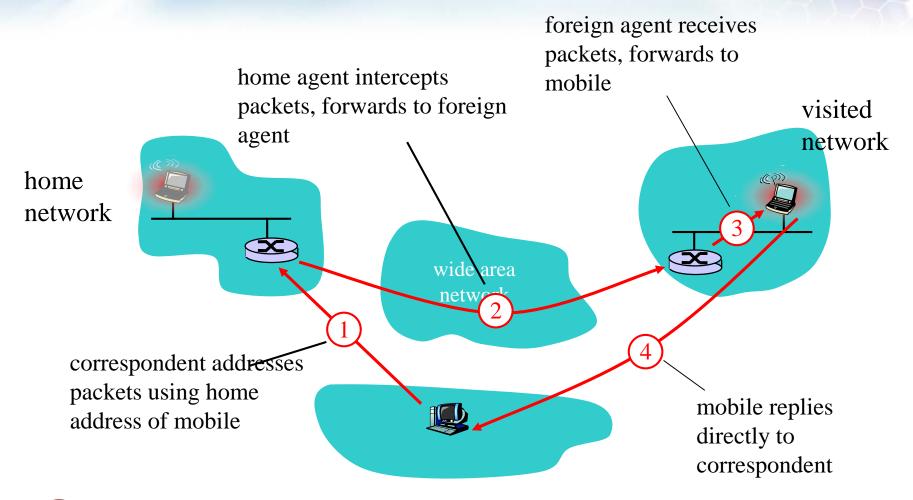


End result:

- Toreign agent knows about mobile
 - Home agent knows location of mobile



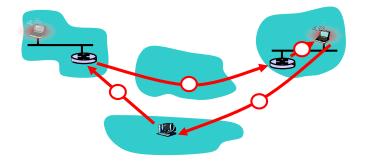
Mobility via Indirect Routing





Indirect Routing: comments

- Mobile uses two addresses:
 - permanent address: used by correspondent (hence mobile location is *transparent* to correspondent)
 - care-of-address: used by home agent to forward datagrams to mobile
- of foreign agent functions may be done by mobile itself
- triangle routing: correspondent-home-network-mobile
 - inefficient when correspondent, mobile are in same network



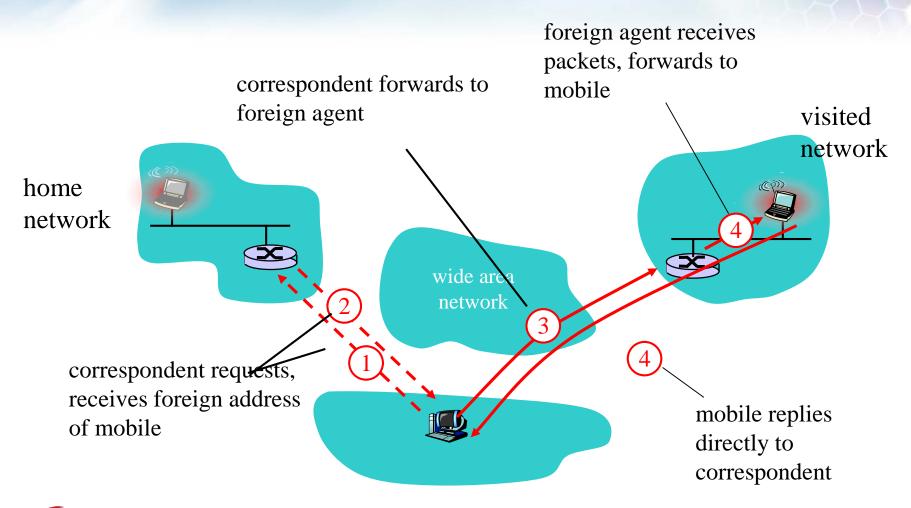


Indirect Routing: moving between networks

- Suppose mobile user moves to another network
 - registers with new foreign agent
 - new foreign agent registers with home agent
 - home agent update care-of-address for mobile
 - packets continue to be forwarded to mobile (but with new care-of-address)
- mobility, changing foreign networks transparent: *on going connections can be maintained!*



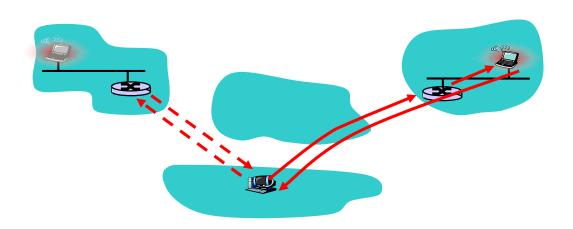
Mobility via Direct Routing





Mobility via Direct Routing: comments

- © overcome triangle routing problem
- non-transparent to correspondent: correspondent must get care-of-address from home agent
 - what if mobile changes visited network?



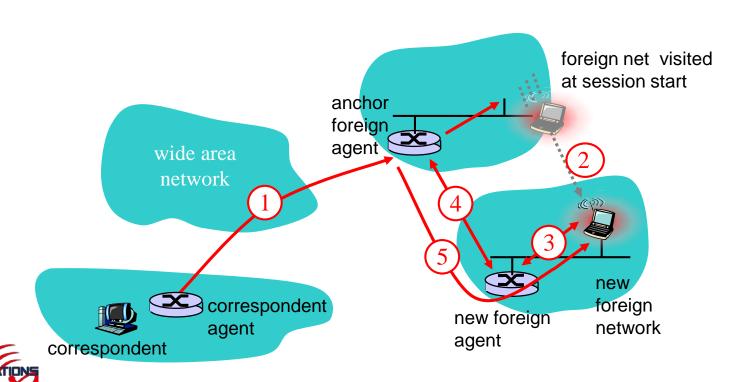


Accommodating mobility with direct routing

- anchor foreign agent: FA in first visited network
- ata always routed first to anchor FA

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when mobile moves: new FA arranges to have data forwarded from old FA (chaining)



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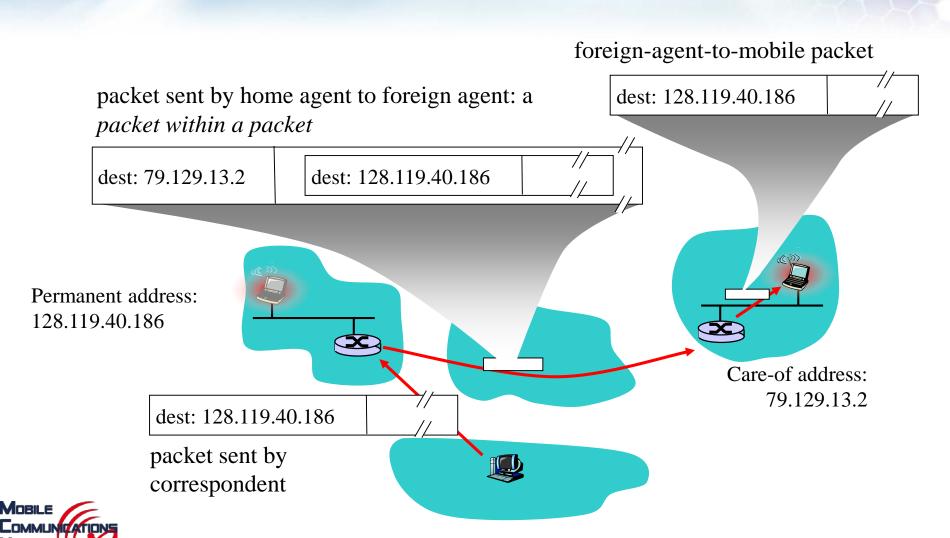
Mobile IPv4

- © RFC 5944 (November 2010)
- a has many features we've seen:
 - home agents, foreign agents, foreign-agent registration, care-of-addresses, encapsulation (packet-within-a-packet)
- three components to standard:
 - indirect routing of datagrams
 - agent discovery
 - registration with home agent



Mobile IPv4: indirect routing

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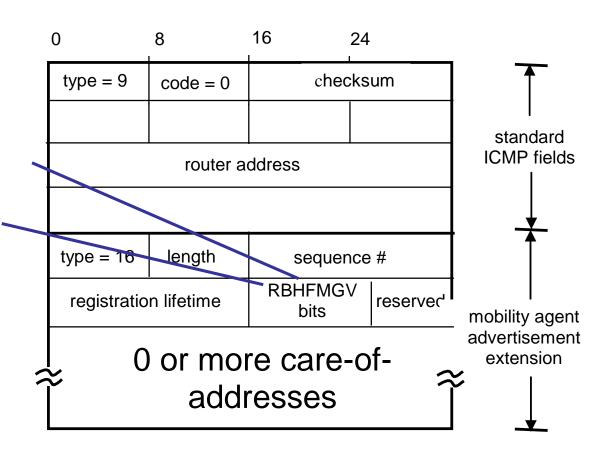


Mobile IPv4: agent discovery

agent advertisement: foreign/home agents advertise service by broadcasting ICMP messages (typefield = 9)

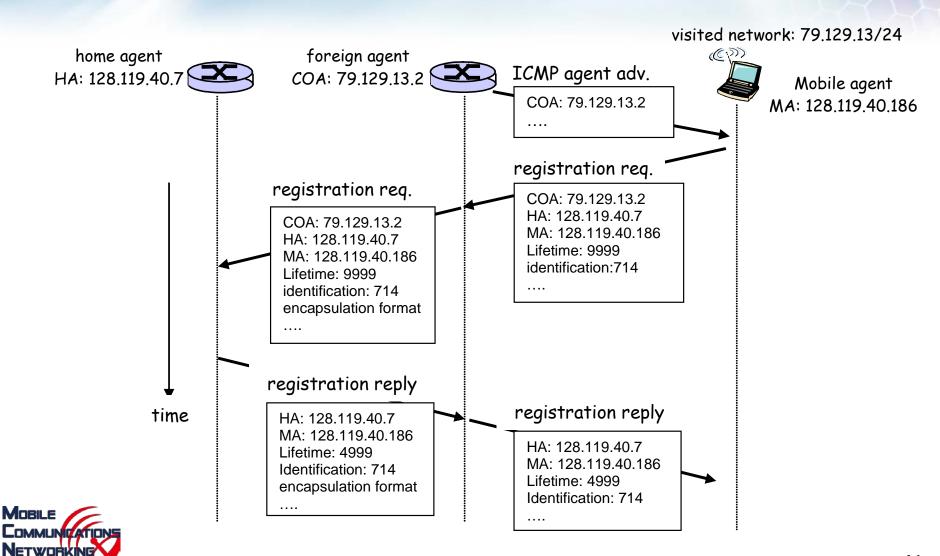
H,F bits: home and/or foreign agent

R bit: registration required



Mobile IPv4: registration example

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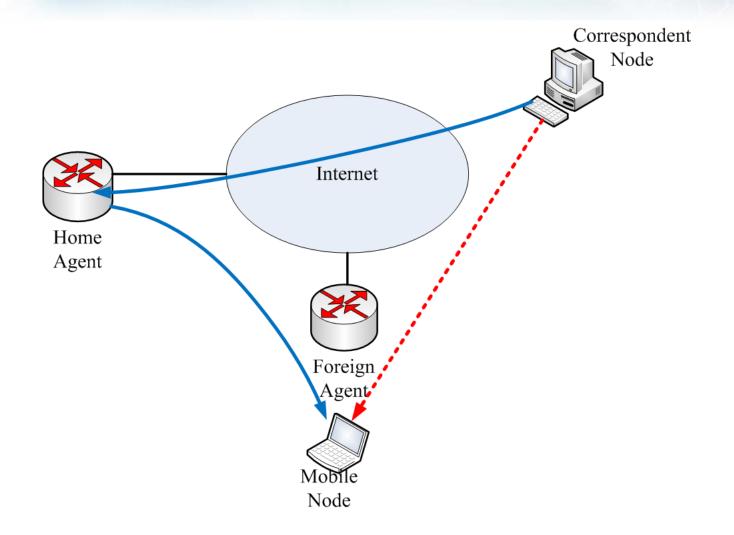


Mobile IPv6

- © RFC 6275 (July 2011)
- \square MIPv6 = MIPv4 + IPv6
- Major Difference from IPv4
 - FA in MN
 - No FA for MIPv6
 - CoA: IP address of MN
 - By DHCPv6 or IPv6 Stateless Auto-Configuration
 - Route Optimization
 - To solve the "Triangular Routing" Problem
 - $MN \Leftrightarrow CN$



MIPv4: Triangular Routing Problem



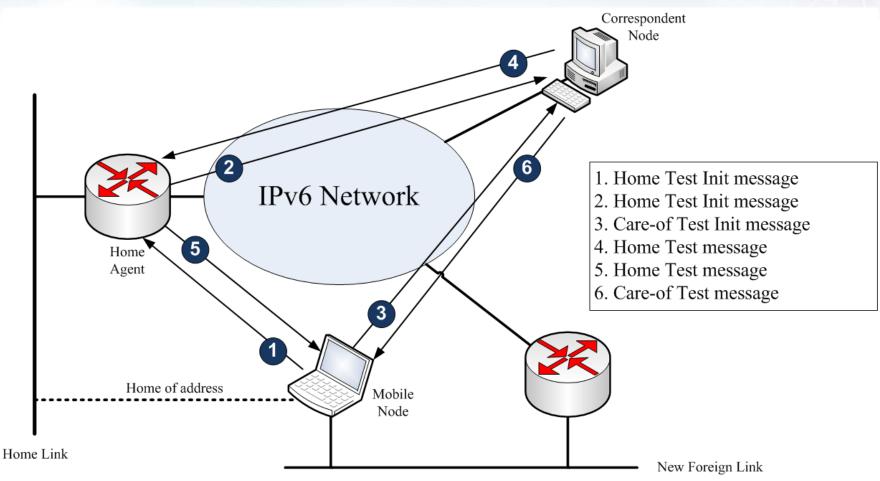


MIPv6: Return Routability Procedure

- Purpose: Enables the correspondent node to obtain some reasonable assurance that the mobile node is in fact addressable at its claimed care-of address as well as at its home address.
- Only with this assurance is the correspondent node able to accept Binding Updates from the mobile node.



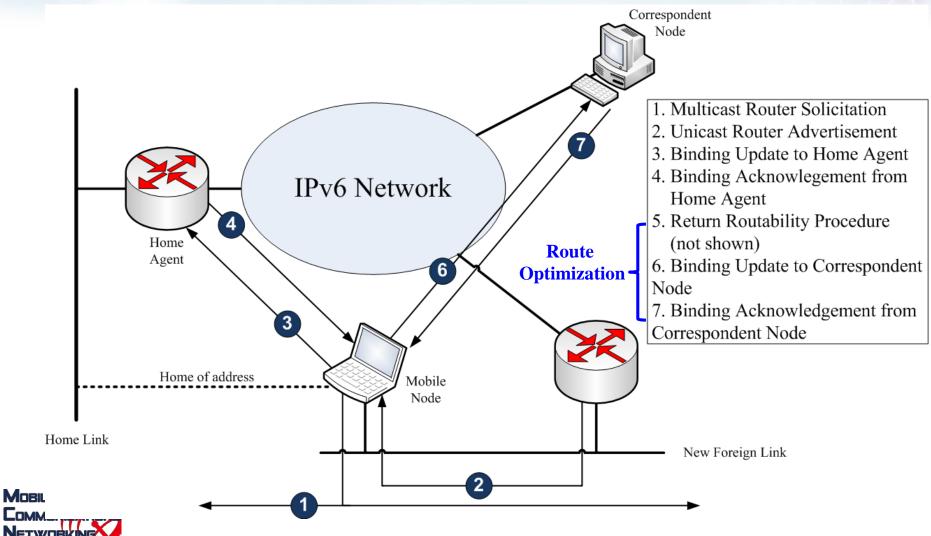
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Mobile IPv6: handover example

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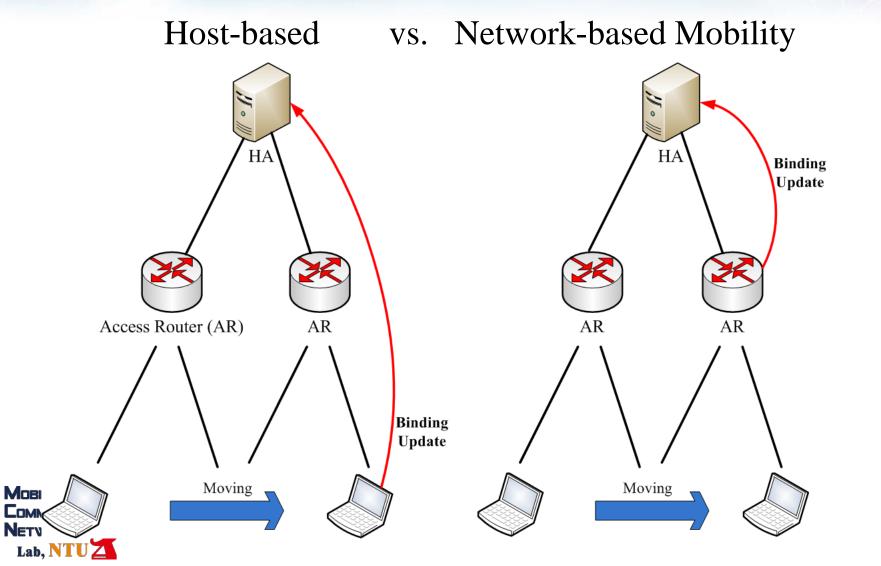


Proxy Mobile IPv6

- © RFC 5213 (August 2008)
- Network-based Mobility Management
- **©** Goal
 - This protocol is for providing mobility support to any IPv6 host within a restricted and topologically localized portion of the network and without requiring the host to participate in any mobility related signaling.



Technical Background

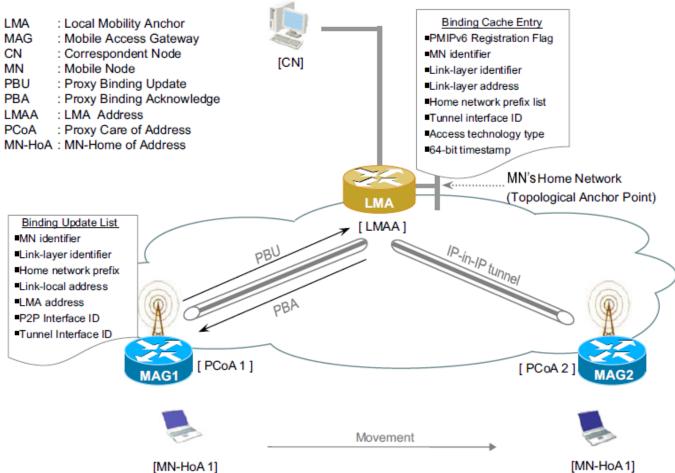


Proxy MIPv6 Overview

- No host stack change for IP mobility
- 2 Avoiding tunneling overhead over the air
- Re-use of Mobile IPv6
 - PMIPv6 is based on Mobile IPv6.
- Only supports Per-MN-Prefix model
 - Unique home network prefix assigned for each MN.
 - The prefix follows the MN.

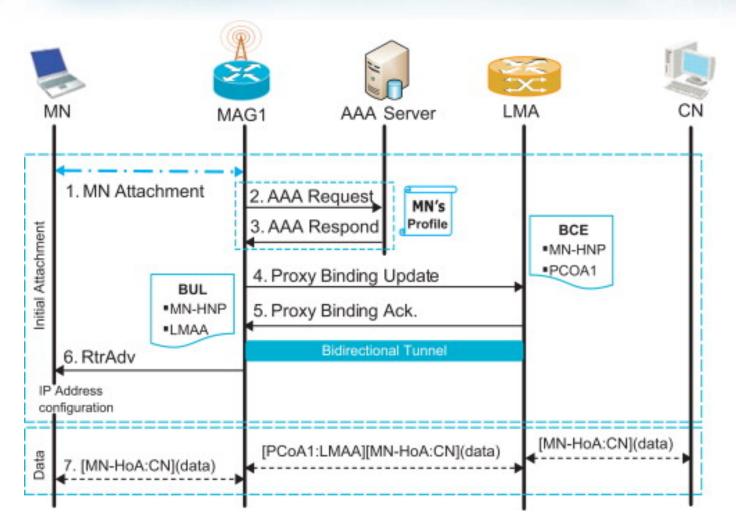


Proxy Mobile IPv6





Proxy Mobile IPv6: registration example





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Procedures

- MN moves and attaches to an access router.
- 2. After authentication, MAG (access router) identifies MN.
- 3. MAG obtains MN's profile containing the Home Address.
- 4. MAG sends the Proxy Binding Update to LMA on behalf of MN.
- 5. MAG receives the Proxy Binding Ack. from LMA.
- 6. MAG sends Router Advertisements containing MN's home network prefix (MN-HNP).



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