# APNIC eLearning: IPv4 to IPv6 Transition

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#### **Overview**

- Transition Concept
- IPv4 to IPv6 Transition and Co-existence
- Dual-Stack Configuration
- Dual-Stack Challenges
- Tunneling Concept
- 6to4 and 6RD
- Transition Strategies



#### Transition overview

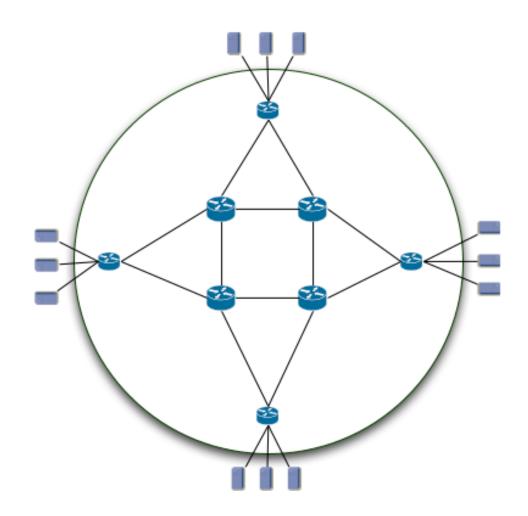
- How to get connectivity from an IPv6 host to the global IPv6 Internet?
  - Via native connectivity
  - Via IPv6-in-IPv4 tunnelling techniques
- IPv6-only deployments are rare
- Practical reality
  - Sites deploying IPv6 will not transit to IPv6-only, but transit to a state where they support both IPv4 and IPv6 (dual-stack)

### **IETF Working Groups**

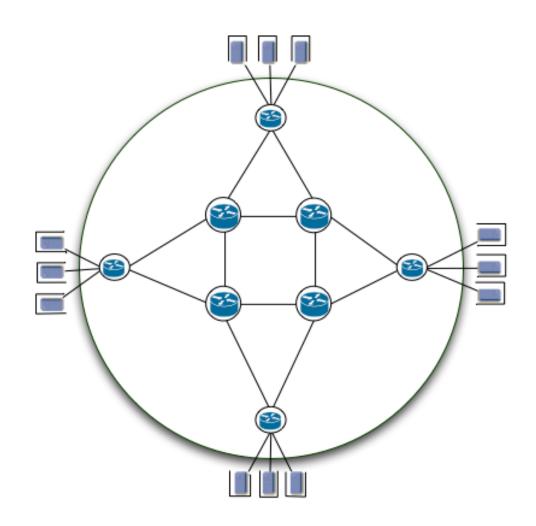
- "v6ops"
  - Define the processes by which networks can be transitioned from IPv4 to IPv6
  - www.ietf.org/dyn/wg/charter/v6ops-charter.html
- "behave"
  - Designs solutions for the IPv4 to IPv6 translations scenarios
  - www.ietf.org/dyn/wg/charter/behave-charter.html
- "softwires"
  - Specifies the standardisation of discovery, control and encapsulation methods for connecting IPv4 networks across IPv6 networks and IPv6 networks across IPv4 networks in a way that will encourage multiple, inter-operable implementations
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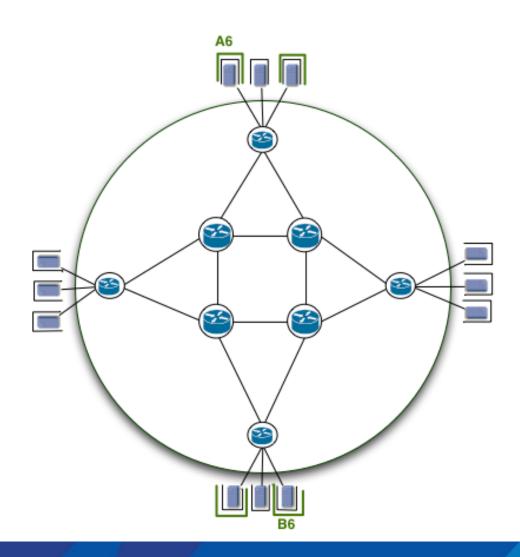




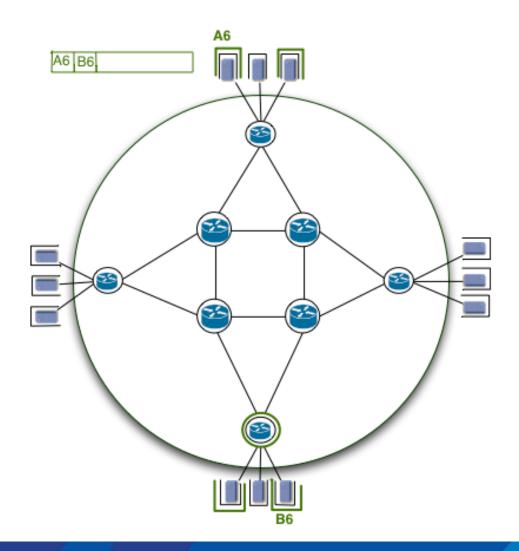




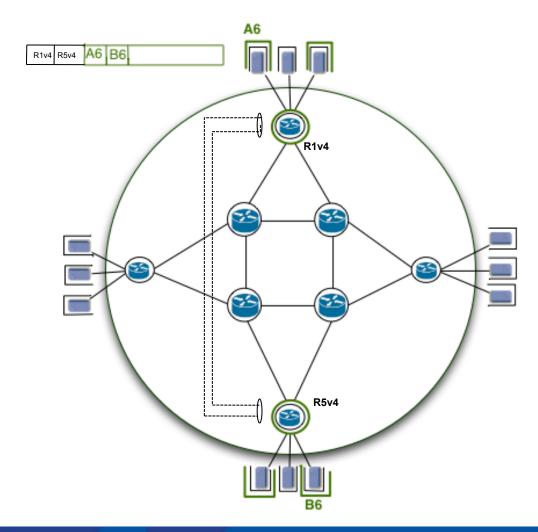




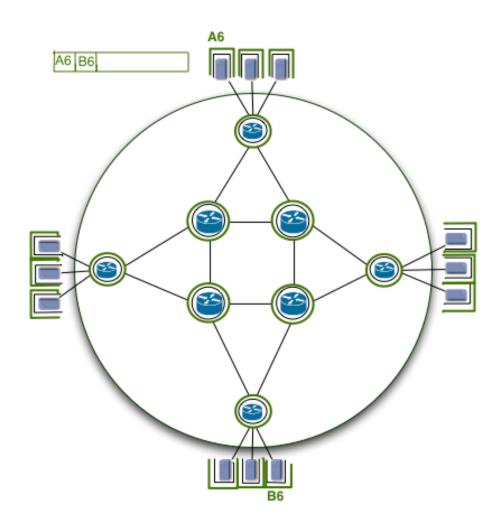














#### **IPv4 to IPv6 Transition**

- Implementation rather than transition
  - No fixed day to convert
- The key to successful IPv6 transition
  - Maintaining compatibility with IPv4 hosts and routers while deploying IPv6
    - Millions of IPv4 nodes already exist
    - Upgrading every IPv4 nodes to IPv6 is not feasible
      - No need to convert all at once
    - Transition process will be gradual



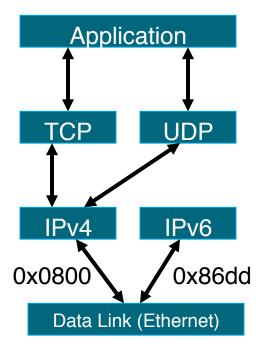
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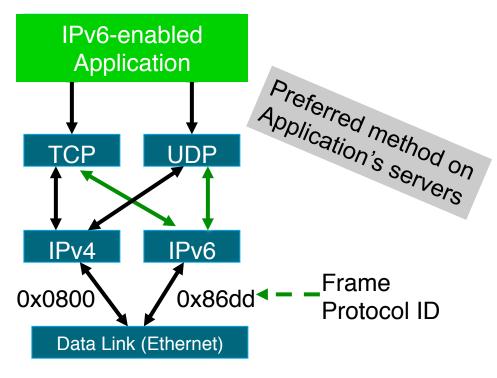
- A wide range of techniques have been identified and implemented, basically falling into three categories:
  - Dual-stack techniques, to allow IPv4 and IPv6 to co-exist in the same devices and networks
  - Tunneling techniques, to avoid order dependencies when upgrading hosts, routers, or regions
  - Translation techniques, to allow IPv6-only devices to communicate with IPv4-only devices
- Expect all of these to be used, in combination



#### **Dual Stack Approach**







- Dual stack node means:
  - Both IPv4 and IPv6 stacks enabled
  - Applications can talk to both
  - Choice of the IP version is based on name lookup and application preference



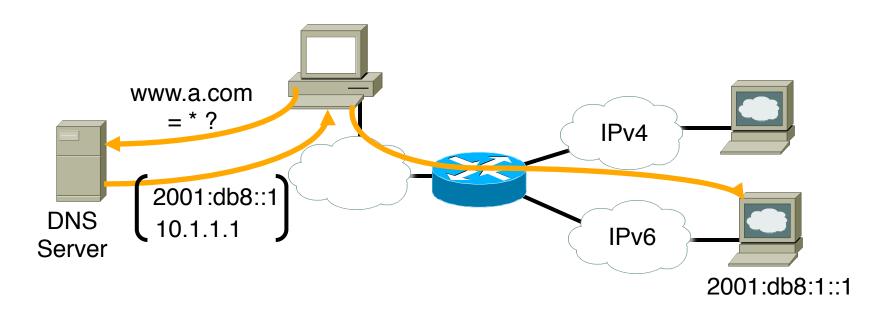


### **Dual Stack Challenges**

- Compatible software
  - Eg. If you use OSPFv2 for your IPv4 network you need to run OSPFv3 in addition to OPSFv2
- Transparent availability of services
- Deployment of servers and services
- Content provision
- Business processes
- Traffic monitoring
- End user deployment



#### **Dual Stack Approach & DNS**

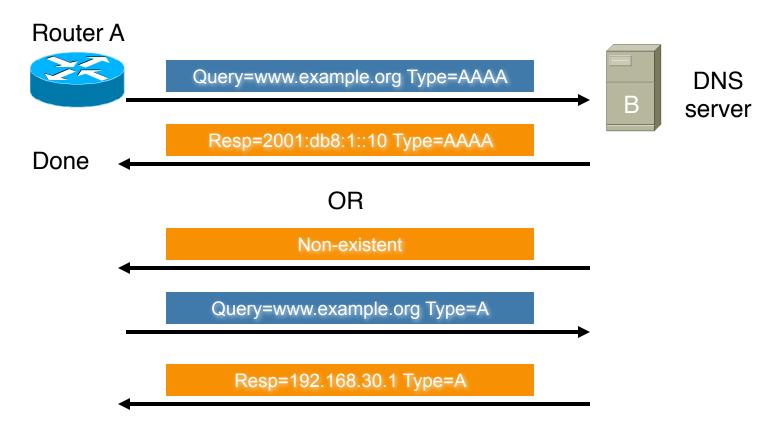


- In a dual stack case, an application that:
  - Is IPv4 and IPv6-enabled
  - Asks the DNS for all types of addresses
  - Chooses one address and, for example, connects to the IPv6 address





#### **Example of DNS query**

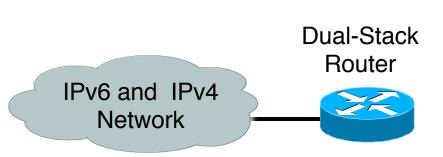


DNS resolver picks IPv6 AAAA record first





#### **A Dual Stack Configuration**



router#
ipv6 unicast-routing

interface Ethernet0
 ip address 192.168.99.1 255.255.255.0
 ipv6 address 2001:db8:213:1::1/64

IPv4: 192.168.99.1

IPv6: 2001:db8:213:1::1/64

#### IPv6-enabled router

- If IPv4 and IPv6 are configured on one interface, the router is dualstacked
- Telnet, Ping, Traceroute, SSH, DNS client, TFTP,...



#### **Using Tunnels for IPv6 Deployment**

- Many techniques are available to establish a tunnel:
  - Manually configured
    - Manual Tunnel (RFC 2893)
    - GRE (RFC 2473)
  - Semi-automated
    - Tunnel broker
  - Automatic
    - 6to4 (RFC 3056)
    - 6rd



#### **Tunnels**

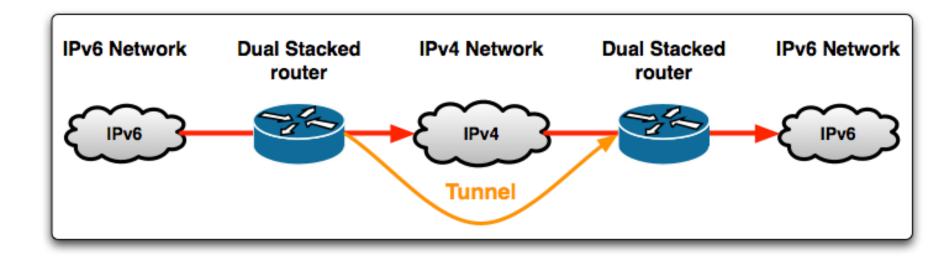
- Part of a network is IPv6 enabled
  - Tunnelling techniques are used on top of an existing IPv4 infrastructure and uses IPv4 to route the IPv6 packets between IPv6 networks by transporting these encapsulated in IPv4
  - Tunnelling is used by networks not yet capable of offering native IPv6 functionality
  - It is the main mechanism currently being deployed to create global IPv6 connectivity
- Manual, automatic, semi-automatic configured tunnels are available





### **Tunneling – General Concept**

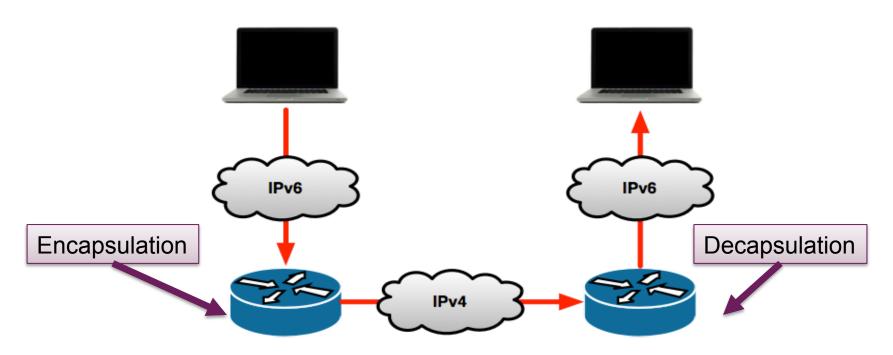
- Tunneling can be used by routers and hosts
  - Tunneling is a technique by which one transport protocol is encapsulated as the payload of another.





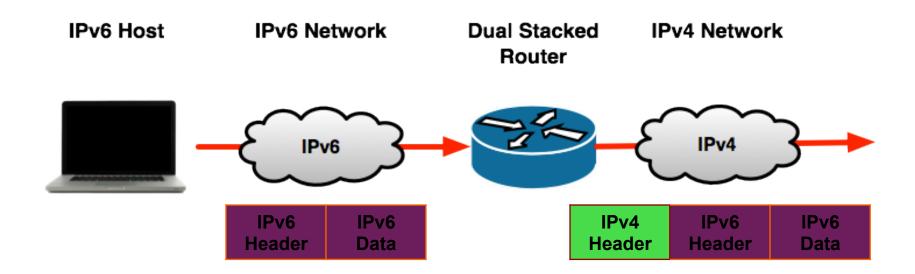
#### **Tunneling – General Concept**

- Two stepped process
  - Encapsulation of IPv6 packets to IPv4 packets
  - Decapsulation of IPv4 packets to IPv6 packets





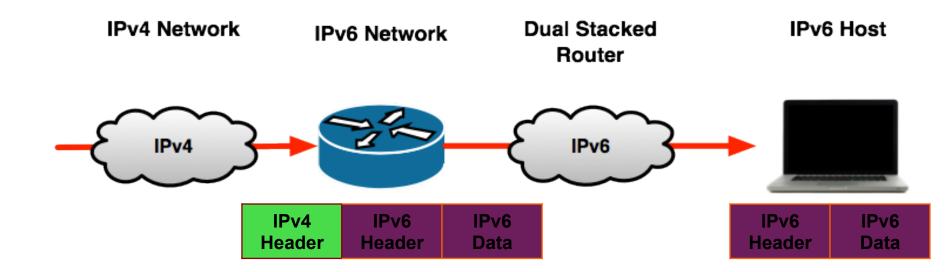
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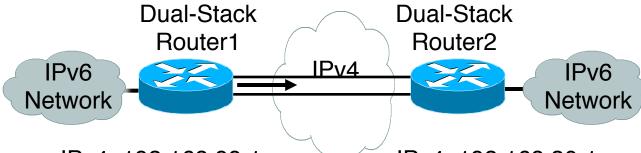
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## Manually Configured Tunnel (RFC4213)



IPv4: 192.168.99.1

IPv6: 2001:db8:c18:1::3

IPv4: 192.168.30.1

IPv6: 2001:db8:c18:1::2

```
router1#
interface Tunnel0
ipv6 address 2001:db8:c18:1::3/64
tunnel source 192.168.99.1
tunnel destination 192.168.30.1
tunnel mode ipv6ip
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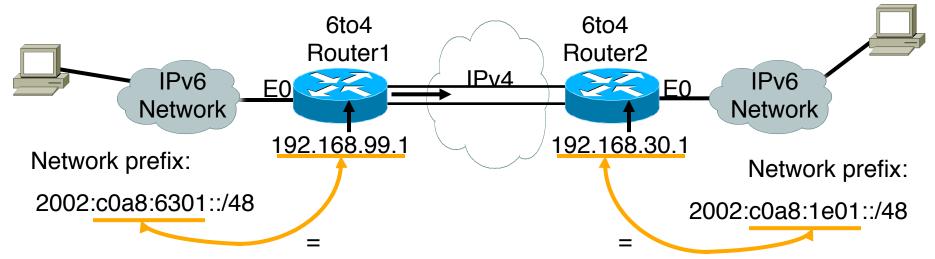
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tunnel destination 192.168.99.1
tunnel mode ipv6ip

- Manually Configured tunnels require:
  - Dual stack end points
  - Both IPv4 and IPv6 addresses configured at each end





### 6to4 Tunnel (RFC 3056)



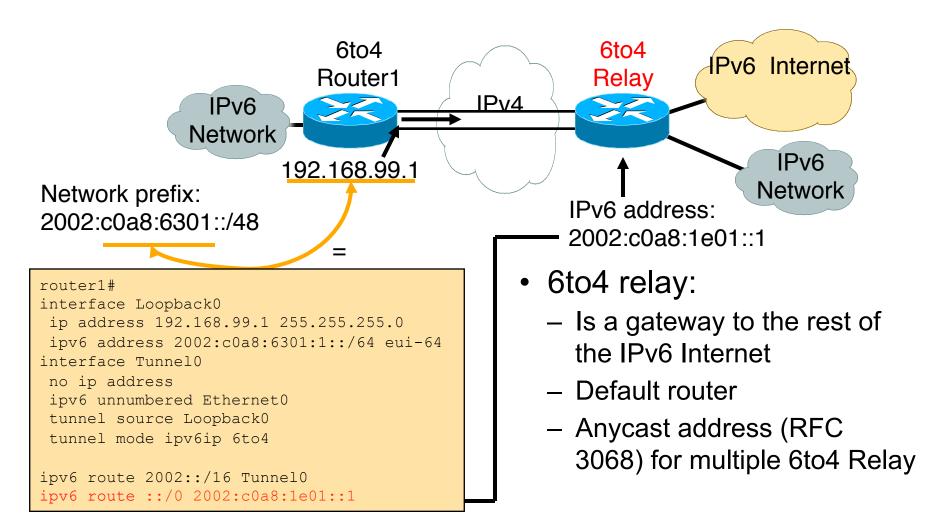
- 6to4 Tunnel:
  - Is an automatic tunnel method
  - Gives a prefix to the attached IPv6 network
  - 2002::/16 assigned to 6to4
  - Requires one global IPv4 address on each Ingress/Egress site

```
router2#
interface Loopback0
  ip address 192.168.30.1 255.255.255.0
  ipv6 address 2002:c0a8:1e01:1::/64 eui-64
interface Tunnel0
  no ip address
  ipv6 unnumbered Ethernet0
  tunnel source Loopback0
  tunnel mode ipv6ip 6to4

ipv6 route 2002::/16 Tunnel0
```



### 6to4 Relay







#### 6to4 in the Internet

- 6to4 prefix is 2002::/16
- 192.88.99.0/24 is the IPv4 anycast network for 6to4 routers
- 6to4 relay service
  - An ISP who provides a facility to provide connectivity over the IPv4 Internet between IPv6 islands
    - Is connected to the IPv6 Internet and announces 2002::/16 by BGP to the IPv6 Internet
    - Is connected to the IPv4 Internet and announces 192.88.99.0/24 by BGP to the IPv4 Internet
  - Their router is configured with local IPv4 address of 192.88.99.1 and local IPv6 address of 2002:c058:6301::1





## 6to4 in the Internet Relay Router Configuration

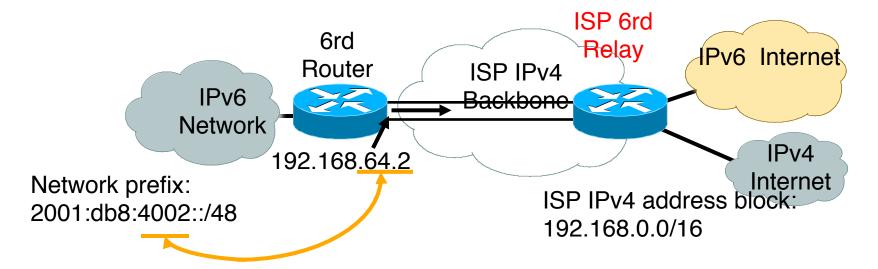
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interface loopback0
 ip address 192.88.99.1
  255.255.255.255
 ipv6 address 2002:c058:6301::1/128
!
interface tunnel 2002
no ip address
 ipv6 unnumbered Loopback0
tunnel source Loopback0
tunnel mode ipv6ip 6to4
tunnel path-mtu-discovery
interface FastEthernet0/0
 ip address 105.3.37.1 255.255.255.0
 ipv6 address 2001:db8::1/64
```

```
router bgp 100
 address-family ipv4
 neighbor <v4-transit> remote-as 101
  network 192.88.99.0 mask
  255.255.255.0.
 address-family ipv6
 neighbor <v6-transit> remote-as 102
 network 2002::/16
ip route 192.88.99.0 255.255.255.0
  nullo 254
ipv6 route 2002::/16 tunnel2002
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#### **6rd Tunnel**

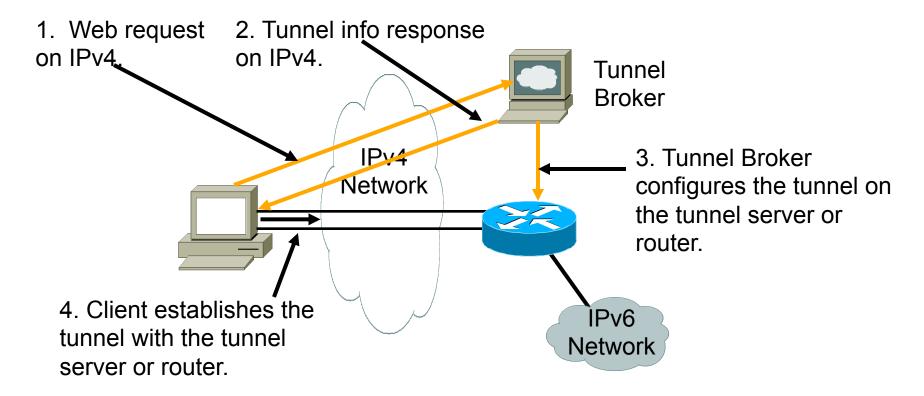


- 6rd (example):
  - ISP has 192.168.0.0/16 IPv4 address block
  - ISP has 2001:db8::/32 IPv6 address block
  - Final 16 bits of IPv4 address used on customer point-to-point link to create customer /48 → customer uses 2001:db8:4002::/48 address space
  - IPv6 tunnel to ISP 6rd relay bypasses infrastructure which cannot handle IPv6





#### **Tunnel Broker**



- Tunnel broker:
  - Tunnel information is sent via http-ipv4





### **Transition Strategies**

- Do nothing
  - Wait for IPv4 to run out
- Extend the life of the IPv4 network
  - Use Network Address Translation (NAT)
  - Customers and SP infrastructure moved to RFC 1918 address space (private addreses)
  - Acquire more IPv4 addresses
- IPv4/IPv6 Coexistence
  - Dual stack network
  - 6rd (rapid deploy)
  - Large Scale NATs (LSN) NAT444, Dual-Stack Lite, NAT64, IVI





#### **Transition Technology Terms**

- Dual-stack
  - when IPv4 and IPv6 are fully deployed on the infrastructure
- IP in IP Tunnels
  - Mechanism whereby an IP packet from one address family is encapsulated in an IP packet
  - Ex. IPinIP, GRE, 6to4, Teredo, ISATAP, 6rd
- Address Family Translation (AFT)
  - Translation of IP address from one address family into another address family
  - Ex: NAT64, NAT46
- Network Address Translation (NAT)
  - Translation of IP address into another IP address (within the same address family)
  - Ex: NAPT, NAT-PT
- Carrier-Grade NAT (CGN)
  - ISP version of a subscriber NAT





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