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# IPv6

— Does size matter? —

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- "Information systems security" MS degree
- security analyst



# Agenda

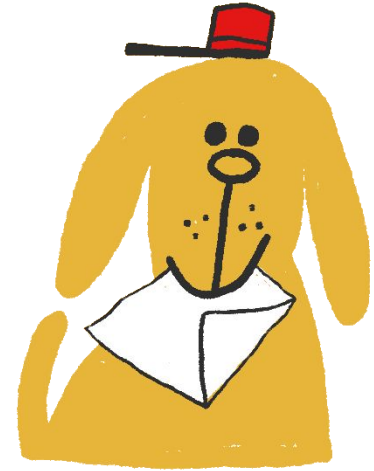
001. IPv6 Intro

010. Types of IPv6

011. IPv6 at your own environment

100. Network Reconnaissance

# internet communication

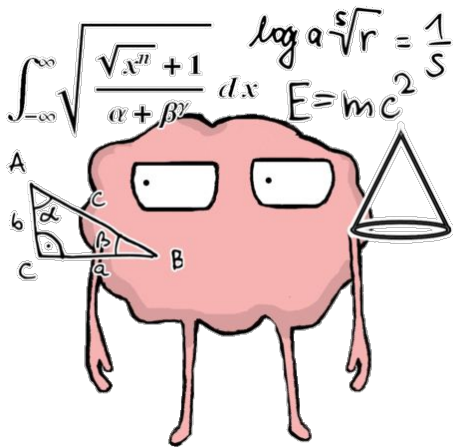


# IPv6

# IPv4

2001:fdb8:1f70:9999:ade8:7648:3a49:16e8

(128-bit addressing scheme)



198.51.100.1

(32-bit addressing scheme)

# IPv6 Shortening

- 1) 2001:0000:0db8:0001:0000:0000:0000:0020  
2001:0000:0db8:0001::0020
- 2) 2001:0000:0db8:0001::0020  
2001:0:0db8:0001::0020
- 3) 2001:0:0db8:0001::0020  
2001:0:db8:1::20

*expanded  
addressing  
capacity*







## Address Types and Scope

**Global Unicast Address** -- Scope Internet- Routed on Internet

**Unique Local** -- Scope Internal Network or VPN -Internally routable but Not routed on Internet

**Link Local** - Scope network link- Not Routed internally or externally.

# IPv4

10.0.0.0/8

172.16.0.0/12

192.168.0.0/16

169.254.0.0/16

- A. Link Local
- B. Unique Local

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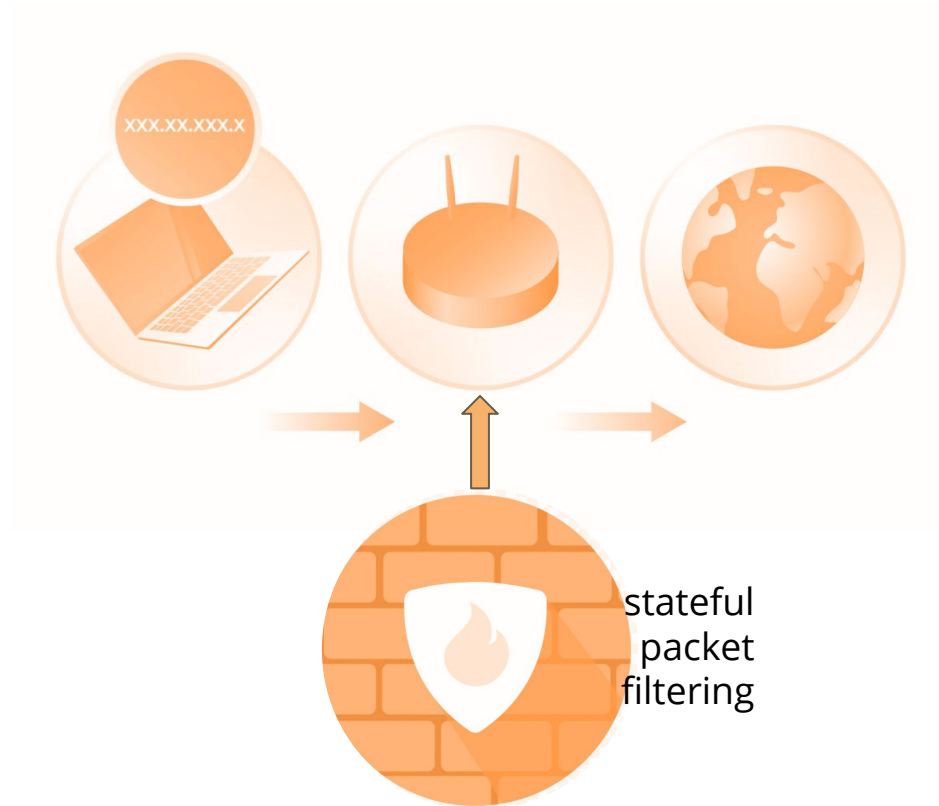
- Not routed at all
- Self-assigned
- `fe80::/64`

## IPv6 Link-Local

# IPv6 Unique Local

- Not routed on the Internet
- `fc00::/7 - fdff::/7`

# Won't my network be less secure without NAT ???



# IPv6 for personal use

[www.worldipv6launch.org](http://www.worldipv6launch.org)



[www.tunnelbroker.net](http://www.tunnelbroker.net)

# /64

2001:db8:cafe::1/64

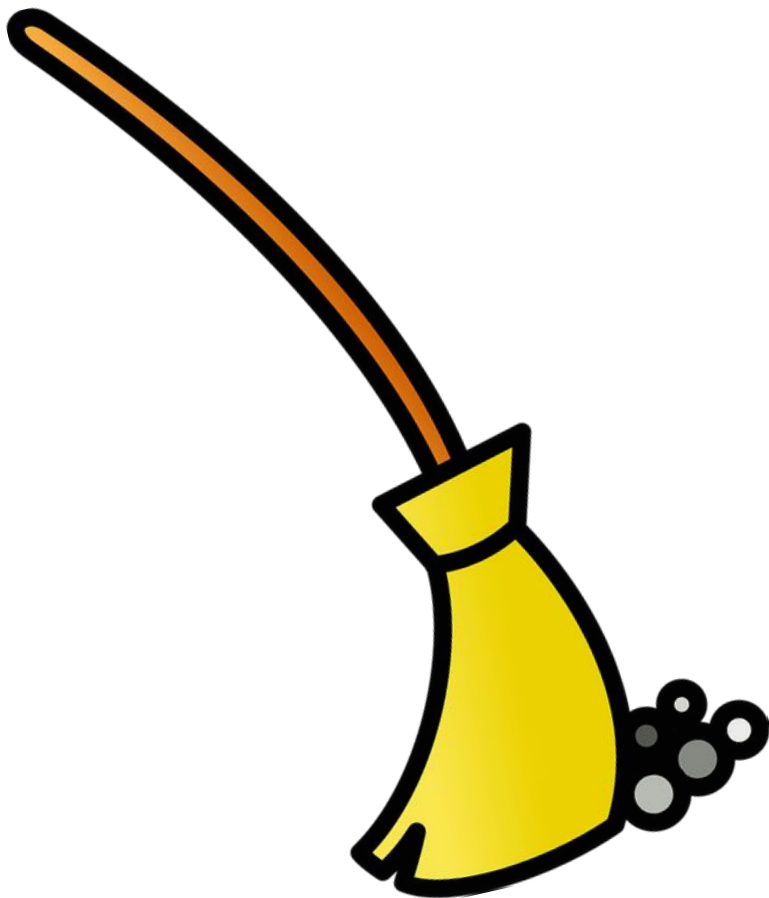
18 446 744 073 709 551 616



# Network Reconnaissance???







sweeping impossible

# Patterns

- ★ low-byte addresses: `2001:db8::1, 2001:db8::d`
- ★ IPv4-based addresses: `2001:db8::192.0.2.1`
- ★ service port addresses: `2001:db8::80, 2001:db8::25`
- ★ wordy addresses: `2001:db8::bad:cafe`

# Techniques

## *Local Network*

- Local Address Scanning
- Obtaining Network Information via Traffic Snooping
- Leveraging Local Name Resolution
- Service Discovery Services Gleaning Information from Routing Protocols

## *Remote Network*

- Remote Address Scanning
- DNS Brute Forcing
- DNS Advertised Hosts
- DNS Zone Transfers
- DNS Reverse Mappings
- Public Archives
- Application Participation
- Inspection of the IPv6 Neighbor Cache and Routing Table
- Inspecting System Configuration and Log Files
- Gleaning Information from IP Flow Information Export
- Obtaining Network Information with `traceroute6`
- Gleaning Information from Network Devices Using SNMP

# DNS Brute Forcing

looking for DNS  
AAAA records  
against commonly  
used host names



## 1) nmap dns-brute

```
$ nmap --script dns-brute google.com
Starting Nmap 7.91 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2021-04-15 17:30 EDT
Nmap scan report for google.com (216.58.214.238)
Host is up (0.028s latency).
Other addresses for google.com (not scanned): 2a00:1450:400d:803::200e
rDNS record for 216.58.214.238: bud02s24-in-f14.1e100.net
Not shown: 998 filtered ports
PORT      STATE SERVICE
80/tcp    open  http
443/tcp    open  https

Host script results:
| dns-brute:
|   DNS Brute-force hostnames:
|   admin.google.com - 172.217.16.110
|   admin.google.com - 2a00:1450:400d:808::200e
|   ads.google.com - 172.217.19.110
|   id.google.com - 172.217.19.99
|   ads.google.com - 2a00:1450:400d:804::200e
|   id.google.com - 2a00:1450:400d:809::2003
|   images.google.com - 172.217.19.110
|   images.google.com - 2a00:1450:400d:804::200e
|   alerts.google.com - 172.217.19.110
|   news.google.com - 216.58.214.206
|   alerts.google.com - 2a00:1450:400d:804::200e
|   news.google.com - 2a00:1450:400d:802::200e
```

# DNS Reverse Mappings

`ip6.arpa zone - "0.8.0.0.8.b.d.0.1.0.0.2.ip6.arpa." for  
"2001:db8:80::/48"`

`looking up PTR records -`

`"0.0.8.0.0.8.b.d.0.1.0.0.2.ip6.arpa."`

`"1.0.8.0.0.8.b.d.0.1.0.0.2.ip6.arpa."`

`Responses : RCODE of 0 (no error);  
otherwise, RCODE of 4 (NXDOMAIN).`





# 1) nmap dns-ip6-arpa-scan

```
$nmap -v --script dns-ip6-arpa-scan --script-args='prefix=2a00:1450:400e:803::/64'  
Starting Nmap 7.91 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2021-07-14 09:42 EDT  
NSE: Loaded 1 scripts for scanning.  
NSE: Script Pre-scanning.  
Initiating NSE at 09:42  
Completed NSE at 09:42, 1.03s elapsed  
Pre-scan script results:  
| dns-ip6-arpa-scan:  
| ip ptr  
|_nil nil  
NSE: Script Post-scanning.  
Initiating NSE at 09:42  
Completed NSE at 09:42, 0.00s elapsed  
Read data files from: /usr/bin/../share/nmap  
WARNING: No targets were specified, so 0 hosts scanned.
```

## 2) reverse-dns (web tool)

[network-tools.webwiz.net/reverse-dns.htm](https://network-tools.webwiz.net/reverse-dns.htm)

### Lookup Reverse DNS (PTR Record)

To search for the PTR Record for a Hostname or IP Address, simply enter a Hostname or IP address in the box provided.

Enter Hostname or IP

2a00:1450:400e:803::200e

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Run DNS Lookup

### Reverse DNS to 2a00:1450:400e:803::200e

IP address:	2a00:1450:400e:803::200e
Reverse DNS:	ams15s42-in-x0e.1e100.net [IP: 2a00:1450:400e:803::200e]
Reverse DNS Authenticity:	Verified
Country:	Ireland 🇮🇪
Link to IP Information:	<a href="#">IP Information for 2a00:1450:400e:803::200e</a>
Direct Link to Reverse DNS:	<a href="#">Reverse DNS for 2a00:1450:400e:803::200e</a>

# Remote Address Scanning

First - Reduce

RFC5375

- Run from low number upwards  
2001:db8:0::/64, 2001:db8:1::/64, etc.
- Use building numbers
- Use Virtual Local Area Network (VLAN) numbers.

# scan6 tool from IPv6-Toolkit

```
➤ sudo scan6 -d scanme.nmap.org --port-scan tcp:1-65535
SI6 Networks' IPv6 Toolkit v2.0 (Guille)
scan6: An advanced IPv6 scanning tool

Rate-limiting probe packets to 1000 pps (override with the '-r' option if ne
ary)
PORT      STATE  SERVICE
22/tcp    open   ssh
```

# Obtaining Network Information via Traffic Snooping

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ipv6						
No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
2	0.000240400	fe80::3f...	ff02::1	ICMPv6	118	Echo (ping) request id=0x920e, s...
3	0.000941079	fe80::cf...	fe80::3f...	ICMPv6	118	Echo (ping) reply id=0x920e, seq...
4	1.003891482	fe80::3f...	ff02::1	ICMPv6	118	Echo (ping) request id=0x920e, s...
5	1.004858465	fe80::3f...	ff02::1	ICMPv6	118	Echo (ping) request id=0x920e, s...
6	1.004858584	fe80::cf...	fe80::3f...	ICMPv6	118	Echo (ping) reply id=0x920e, seq...
7	5.052817101	fe80::cf...	fe80::3f...	ICMPv6	86	Neighbor Solicitation for fe80::...
8	5.052846585	fe80::3f...	fe80::cf...	ICMPv6	78	Neighbor Advertisement fe80::3f8...
22	10.176026724	fe80::3f...	fe80::cf...	ICMPv6	86	Neighbor Solicitation for fe80::...

▶ Frame 4: 118 bytes on wire (944 bits), 118 bytes captured (944 bits) on interface eth0, id 0
▶ Ethernet II, Src: PcsCompu_b1:ba:80 (08:00:27:b1:ba:80), Dst: IPv6mcast 01 (33:33:00:00:00:01)
▶ Internet Protocol Version 6, Src: fe80::3f89:ea82:e0ac:55f4, Dst: ff02::1
▼ Internet Control Message Protocol v6
Type: Echo (ping) request (128)
Code: 0
Checksum: 0xa77c [correct]
[Checksum Status: Good]
Identifier: 0x920e
Sequence: 2
▶ Data (56 bytes)

0000	33 33 00 00 00 01 08 00	27 b1 ba 80 86 dd 60 0b	33.....
0010	6b 07 00 40 3a 01 fe 80	00 00 00 00 00 00 3f 89	k..@:.. .....
0020	ea 82 e0 ac 55 f4 ff 02	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	....U..
0030	00 00 00 00 00 01 80 00	a7 7c 92 0e 00 02 60 d3	.....
0040	78 60 00 00 00 00 41 bf	0e 00 00 00 00 00 10 11	x....A.
0050	12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19	1a 1b 1c 1d 1e 1f 20 21	.....
0060	22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29	2a 2b 2c 2d 2e 2f 30 31	"#\$%&'()*+,-./

# Local Address Scanning

Completely different problem:

link-local multicast addresses can relieve the attacker of  
searching for unicast addresses in a large IPv6 address  
space



# PING

link-local multicast address (ff02::1)

```
$ ping -c 2 ff02::1
PING ff02::1(ff02::1) 56 data bytes
64 bytes from fe80::3f89:ea82:e0ac:55f4%eth0: icmp_seq=1 ttl=64 time=0.033 ms
64 bytes from fe80::3f89:ea82:e0ac:55f4%eth0: icmp_seq=1 ttl=64 time=0.252 ms
64 bytes from fe80::cf8:e31b:78d6:6e8f%eth0: icmp_seq=1 ttl=64 time=1.01 ms
64 bytes from fe80::3f89:ea82:e0ac:55f4%eth0: icmp_seq=2 ttl=64 time=0.060 ms

--- ff02::1 ping statistics ---
2 packets transmitted, 2 received, +2 duplicates, 0% packet loss, time 1002ms
rtt min/avg/max/mdev = 0.033/0.339/1.014/0.398 ms
```

# nmap and THC-IPV6 (alive6)

```
root@kali:~# alive6 eth0 -l  
Alive: fe80::21a:a0ff:fea4:4ae9 [ICMP echo-reply]  
Alive: fe80::21a:a0ff:fe4e:34f0 [ICMP echo-reply]  
Alive: fe80::215:f9ff:fef7:5949 [ICMP echo-reply]
```

```
$sudo nmap -6 fe80::80a4:11ec:e45f:7d19/128 -Pn  
Host discovery disabled (-Pn). All addresses will be marked 'up' and scan times will be slower.  
Starting Nmap 7.91 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2021-07-14 09:53 EDT  
Nmap scan report for fe80::80a4:11ec:e45f:7d19  
Host is up (0.0000080s latency).  
All 1000 scanned ports on fe80::80a4:11ec:e45f:7d19 are closed  
  
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 0.26 seconds
```



github: ArcStatic  
twitter: @gl4cierBlue

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## IPv6 Scanning Project

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This is an early-stage PhD project to investigate strategies which could be used to scan the IPv6 address space.

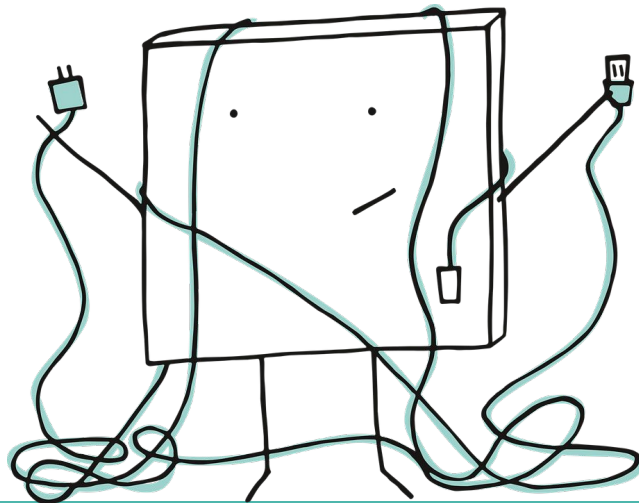
### Research Question

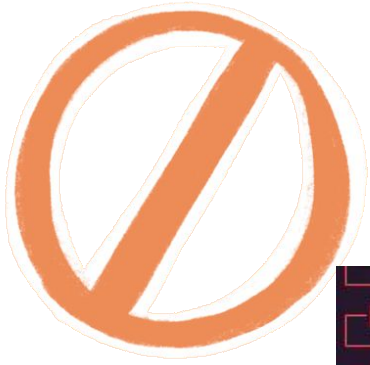
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How would malware perform scans for automated host recruitment on IPv6-only networks?

# Mitigations

- 1) Limit "pattern" addresses
- 2) Intrusion Prevention Systems (IPSs)
- 3) IPv6 packet filtering
- 4) Avoiding use of sequential addresses when using DHCPv6
- 5) "Default" /64 size IPv6 subnet prefixes
- 6) Avoiding being predictable





## Block Listing

```
→ #ip6tables -A INPUT -j DROP -s 2001:db8::bad:cafe/64 -m comment --comment "MALWARE"
[root@alok-virtualbox]~/home/alok
→ #ip6tables -A INPUT -j DROP -s 2001:db8::bad:cafe/56 -m comment --comment "MALWARE"
[root@alok-virtualbox]~/home/alok
→ #ip6tables -A INPUT -j DROP -s 2001:db8::bad:cafe/50 -m comment --comment "MALWARE"
[root@alok-virtualbox]~/home/alok
→ #ip6tables -A INPUT -j DROP -s 2001:db8::bad:cafe/48 -m comment --comment "MALWARE"
[root@alok-virtualbox]~/home/alok
→ #ip6tables -L

Chain INPUT (policy ACCEPT)
target      prot opt source                               destination                               /* MALWARE */
DROP        all  --  2001:db8::/64                         anywhere                                 /* MALWARE */
DROP        all  --  2001:db8::/64                         anywhere                                 /* MALWARE */
DROP        all  --  2001:db8::/56                         anywhere                                 /* MALWARE */
DROP        all  --  2001:db8::/50                         anywhere                                 /* MALWARE */
DROP        all  --  2001:db8::/48                         anywhere                                 /* MALWARE */

Chain FORWARD (policy ACCEPT)
target      prot opt source                               destination

Chain OUTPUT (policy ACCEPT)
target      prot opt source                               destination
```

# SECURING YOURSELF

## 1) IPv6 syntax

2001:0:db8:1111::200

2001:db8:ef01:2345:678:910:aaaa:bbbb

fe80::101:1111

fe80::6678:9101:0:34ab

bb2b:ef12:bff3:9125:1111:101:1111:101

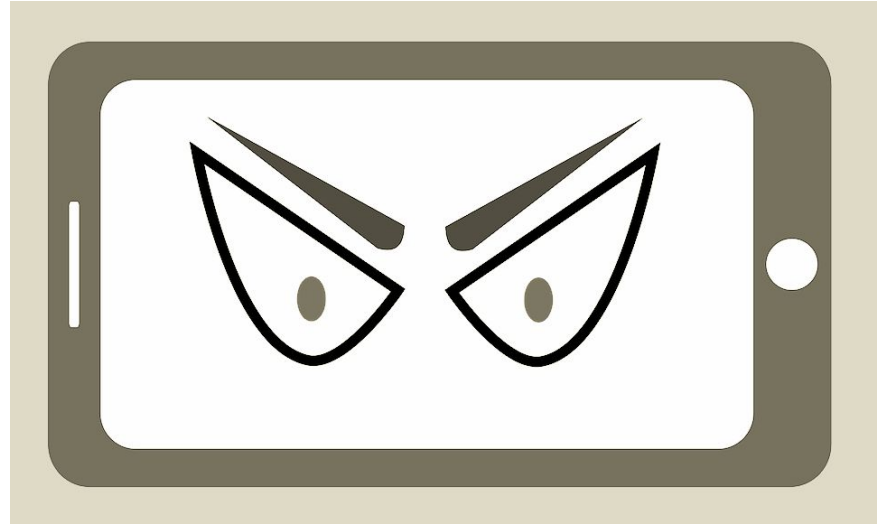
::1

1031:1976:1:2:3:4::101

2001:db8::1234:5678:9101:1112:1113

## 2) Hit the “off” button

```
sudo ifconfig gif0 down
```





### 3) How to “kill”

organizations should know how  
to kill it before it can infect  
others



# What continued IPv6 adoption means for internet security



As IPv6 adoption becomes more prevalent, threat actors are increasingly using its addresses as an attack vector

**The ability to monitor  
anomalous web traffic is  
the key to detecting a  
breach**





## The amount of internet-connected IoT devices grows exponentially



IPv6 may have been a long time coming, but it's too late in the game to ignore.

## Links:

[www.worldipv6launch.org](http://www.worldipv6launch.org)

[www.tunnelbroker.net](http://www.tunnelbroker.net)

[network-tools.webwiz.net/reverse-dns.htm](http://network-tools.webwiz.net/reverse-dns.htm)



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## Tools:

nmap dns-brute

nmap dns-ip6-arpa-scan

IPv6-Toolkit

THC-IPV6



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