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What is an IPv6 Address?

- IPv6 addresses are very different than IPv4 addresses in the size, numbering system, and delimiter between the numbers
  - 128bit -vs- 32bit
  - hexadecimal -vs- decimal
  - colon and double colon -vs- period (or "dot" for the real geeks)
- Valid IPv6 addresses are comprised of hexadecimal numbers (0-9 & a-f), with colons separating groups of four numbers, with a total of eight groups

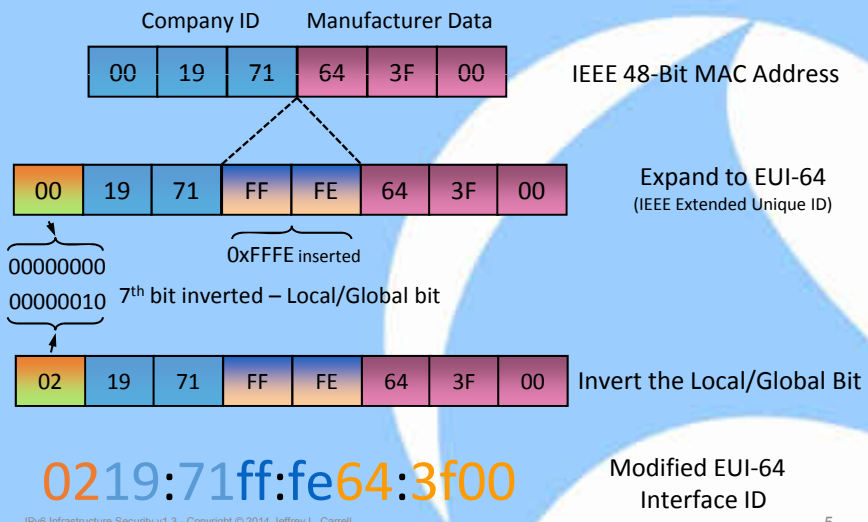
  (each group is known as "quads", "quartets", or "chunks")
- 2001:0db8:1010:61ab:f005:ba11:00da:11a5

IPv6 default for subnet

- Based on the default definition an IPv6 address is logically divided into two parts: a 64-bit network prefix and a 64-bit interface identifier (IID)
- Therefore, the default subnet size is /64
- 2001:0db8:1010:61ab:f005:ba11:00da:11a5/64

- A single /64 network yields 18 billion-billion possible addresses

Interface ID from MAC address



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Interface ID from Random Number

- RFC 4941 - Privacy Extensions for Stateless Address Autoconfiguration in IPv6
- Initial IID is derived based on mathematical computation to create a “random 64bit number” and appended to prefix to create a GUA
- An additional but different 64bit number is computed, appended to prefix, and tagged “temporary” for a 2nd GUA
- Temporary GUA should be re-computed on a frequent basis
- Temporary GUA is used as primary address for communications, as it is considered “more secure”

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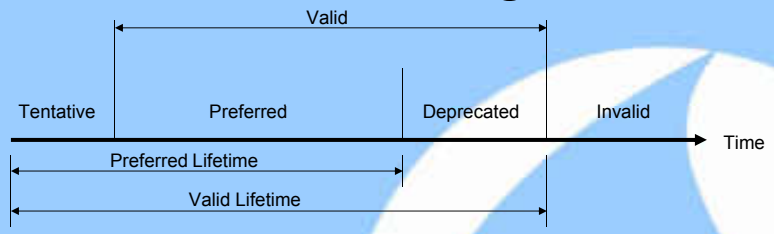
States of an autoconfigured address

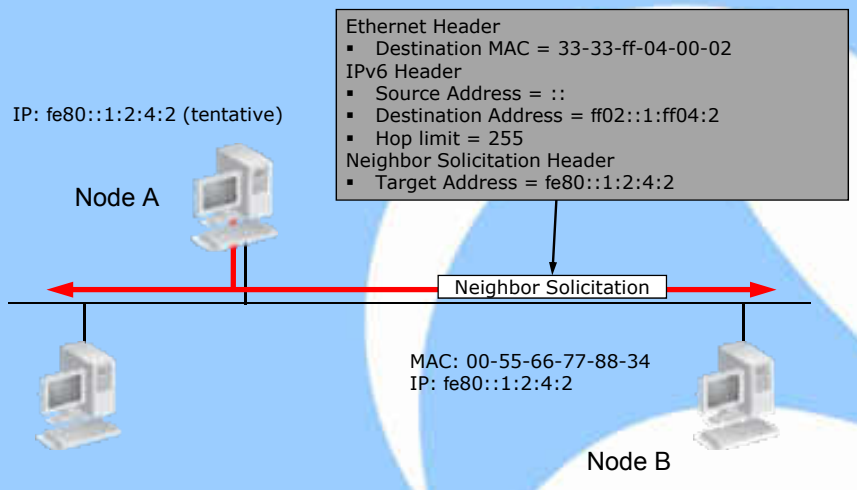


- Tentative – address is in process of verification for uniqueness and is not yet available for regular communications
- Valid – address is valid for use in communication based on Preferred and Deprecated status
- Preferred – address is usable for all communications
- Deprecated – address can still be used for existing sessions, but not for new sessions
- Invalid – an address is no longer available for sending or receiving

Duplicate Address Detection (DAD)

- When a node initially assigns an IPv6 address to its interface, it must check whether the selected address is unique
- If unique, the address is configured on interface
- The node sends a multicast Neighbor Solicitation message with the:
  - dest MAC of 33:33:<last 32bits of IPv6 mcast addr>
  - dest IPv6 addr of ff02::1:ff<last 24bits of proposed IPv6 addr>
  - source IPv6 of "::" (IPv6 unspecified addr)

Duplicate Address Detection Neighbor Solicitation



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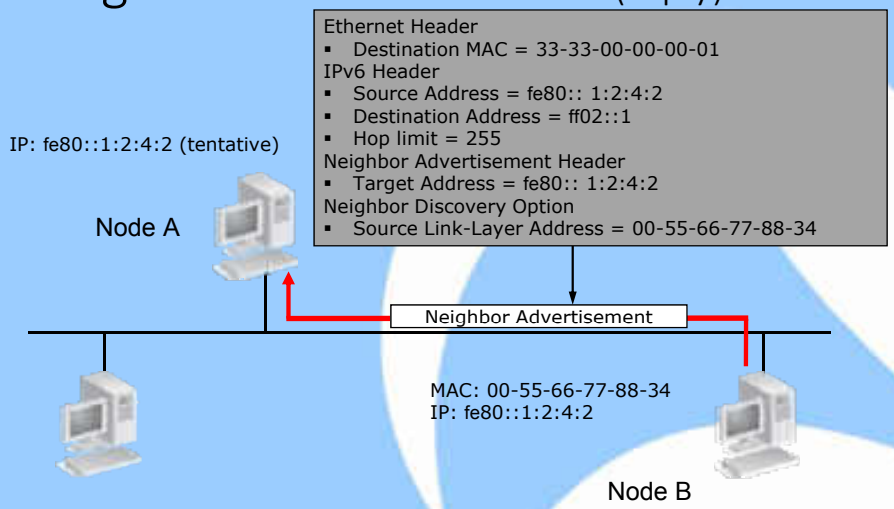
Duplicate Address Detection Neighbor Advertisement (reply)



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Link-Local address basics

- Each interface must have one (and only one) link-local address (generally autoconfigured by OS)
- Can/may be same on any/all interfaces
- Zone ID or Scope ID is used to differentiate which interface is to be used for outbound communications
- Zone ID is appended to link-local address when used for outbound communications

  ping fe80::22c:8a5c:12ab:370f%vlan1 - switch

  ping fe80::22c:8a5c:12ab:370f%12 - Windows

  ping fe80::22c:8a5c:12ab:370f%eth0 - Linux

  ^destination host to ping ^intf to go out

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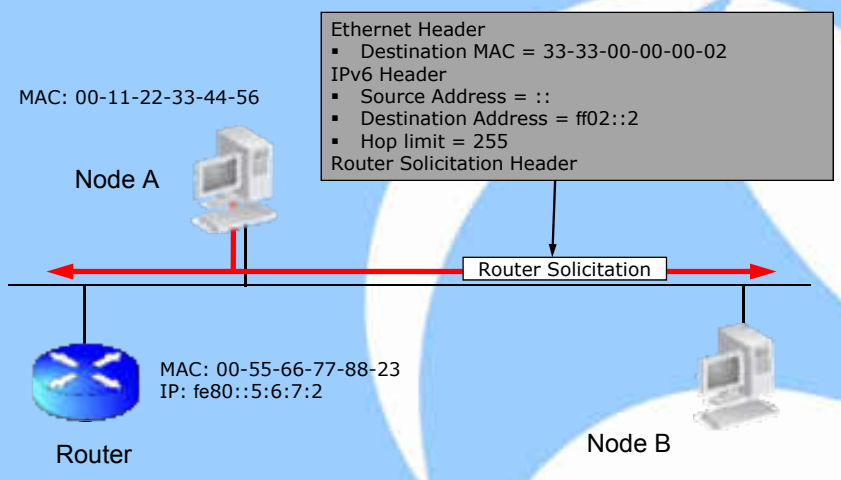
Router Solicitation



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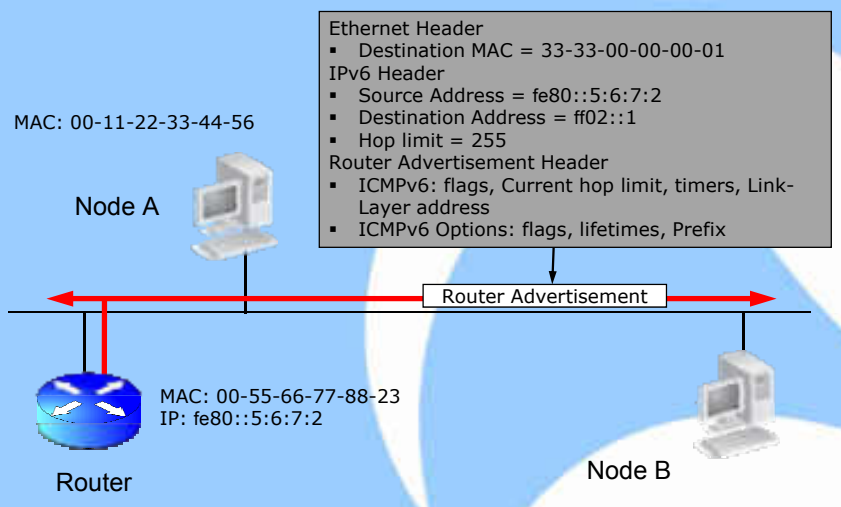
Router Advertisement



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ICMPv6 - Router Advertisement

- Router Advertisement (RA) [key components]
  - M flag – managed address configuration flag (for Stateful (DHCPv6) autoconfig)
  - O flag – other configuration flag (for Stateless DHCPv6 autoconfig)
  - Prf flag – router preference flag (ska priority)
  - Router Lifetime – lifetime associated with the default router
  - Prefix Length – number of bits in the prefix
  - A flag – autonomous address-configuration flag (for SLAAC)
  - L flag – on-link flag
  - Valid Lifetime – length of time the address is valid for use in preferred and deprecated states
  - Preferred Lifetime – length of time the address is valid for new communications
  - Prefix – IPv6 address prefix

- **For additional info, see RFC 4861**

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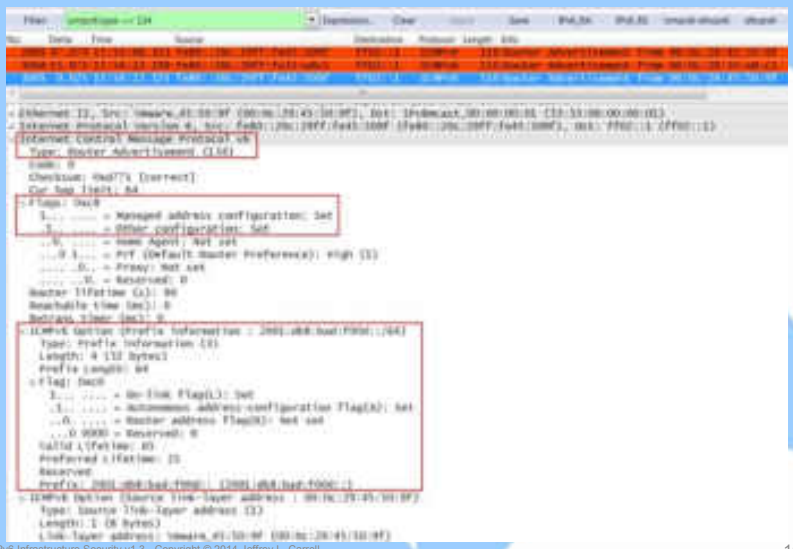
IPv6 autoconfiguration options

Address Autoconfiguration Method	ICMPv6 RA (Type 134) Flags M Flag	O Flag	ICMPv6 RA (Type 134) ICMPv6 Option Prefix Info A Flag	L Flag	Prefix Derived from	Interface ID Derived from	Other Configuration Options (DNS, time, tftp, etc)	Number of IPv6 Addresses on interface
Link-Local (always configured)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Internal (fe80::/64)	M-EUI-64 or Privacy	Manual	1
Manual assigned	Off	Off	Off	On	Manual	Manual	Manual	2 (LL, manual)
SLAAC	Off	Off	On	On	RA	M-EUI-64 or Privacy	Manual	3 (LL, IPv6, IPv6 temp)
Stateful (DHCPv6)	On	N/R	Off	On	DHCPv6	DHCPv6	DHCPv6	2 (LL, DHCPv6)
Stateless DHCPv6	Off	On	On	On	RA	M-EUI-64 or Privacy	DHCPv6	3 (LL, IPv6, IPv6 temp)
Combination Stateless & DHCPv6	On	N/R	On	On	RA and DHCPv6	M-EUI-64 or Privacy and DHCPv6	DHCPv6	4 (LL, IPv6, IPv6 temp, DHCPv6)

Router Advertisement packet



Router Advertisement packet

```
Internet Control Message Protocol v6
  Type: Router Advertisement (134)
  Code: 0
  Checksum: 0xd771 [correct]
  Cur hop limit: 64
Flags: 0xc8
  1... .... = Managed address configuration: Set
  .1.. .... = Other configuration: Set
ICMPv6 Option (Prefix information : 2001:db8:bad:100d::/64)
  Type: Prefix information (3)
  Length: 4 (32 bytes)
  Prefix Length: 64
Flag: 0xc0
    1... .... = On-link flag(L): Set
    .1.. .... = Autonomous address-configuration flag(A): Set
    ..0. .... = Router address flag(R): Not set
    ...0 0000 = Reserved: 0
  Valid Lifetime: 65
  Preferred Lifetime: 25
  Reserved
  Prefix: 2001:db8:bad:100d:: (2001:db8:bad:100d::)
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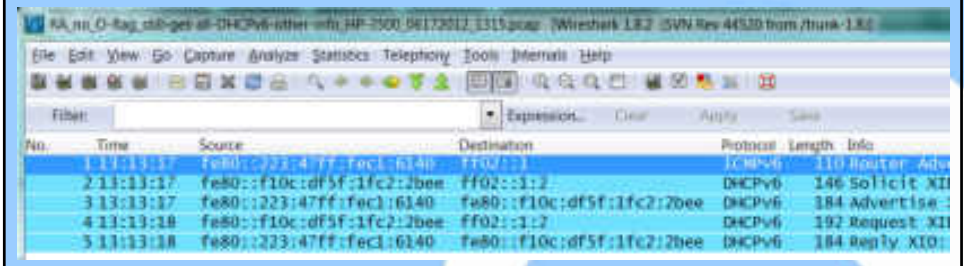
IPv6 Stateful (DHCPv6) process



- DHCPv6**S**olicit = DHCP**D**iscover (IPv4)
- DHCPv6**A**dvertise = DHCP**O**ffer (IPv4)
- DHCPv6**R**equest = DHCP**R**equest (IPv4)
- DHCPv6**R**eply = DHCP**A**ck (IPv4)

Key difference in DHCP/DHCPv6

- Default gateway
  - DHCP – configurable Router option in scope
  - DHCPv6 – no configurable Router option in scope (possible future, but no client OS support yet)
- An IPv6 node derives its default gateway from the router's Link-Local address when the L flag is set in the Prefix information field of an RA
  (! not from the network prefix !)

HP switch - IPv6 VLAN config

```
vlan 1
  ipv6 enable
  ipv6 address fe80::1 link-local
  ipv6 address 2001:db8:1ab:ba5e::1/64
  ipv6 nd ra managed-config-flag
  ipv6 nd ra max-interval 60
  ipv6 nd ra min-interval 20
  ipv6 nd ra prefix 2001:db8:1ab:ba5e::/64 40 20
    no-autoconfig
```

Cisco switch - IPv6 VLAN config

```
interface Vlan1
 ipv6 address FE80::2 link-local
 ipv6 address 2001:DB8:1AB:BA5E::2/64
 ipv6 enable
 ipv6 nd prefix 2001:DB8:1AB:BA5E::/64 35 15
 ipv6 nd other-config-flag
 ipv6 nd ra interval 65 25
```


Security concerns

- If EUI-64 based address, can determine manufacturer of interface, which may lead to what type of device it is, and where in the network in may be located.
- Since IPv6 is enabled by default in many operating systems and devices, simple scan of network will provide tons of info
- Many “tools” already available for exploitation of devices/systems
- Easy to spoof clients with rogue RA
- If there is a “Temporary” IPv6 address (in addition to a “regular” configured IPv6 address), it is used for outbound communications by the client. “Temporary” IPv6 addresses can change frequently.

IPv6 Threats to access networks

- IPv6 uses ICMPv6 for many LAN operations
  - Stateless auto-configuration
  - IPv6 equivalent of IPv4 ARP
- New multicast addresses that can enable an attacker to identify key resources on a network
- Spoofed RAs can renumber hosts, have hosts "drop" an IPv6 address, or initiate a MITM attack with redirect
- DHCPv6 spoofing
- Force nodes to believe all addresses are onlink

ICMPv6 is Required for IPv6

Type	Description
1	Destination unreachable
2	Packet too big
3	Time exceeded
4	Parameter problem
128	Echo Request
129	Echo Reply
130	Multicast Listener Query
131	Multicast Listener Report
132	Multicast Listener Done
133	Router Solicitation (RS)
134	Router Advertisement (RA)
135	Neighbor Solicitation (NS)
136	Neighbor Advertisement (NA)
137	Redirect message

Traceroute

Ping

Multicast Listener Discovery

Prefix Advertisement

ARP replacement

IPv6 First Hop Security

- When IPv6 is implemented on the LAN (access layer), certain switch ports are known to have only traditional end-node user devices attached (computers, phones, printers, etc).
- It can be safely assumed that these end-node user devices will not serve as either a router or DHCPv6 server.
- Therefore, a best practice recommendation is for switches to be configured in such a way that both RAs and DHCPv6 server packets are filtered on these end-node user ports to protect the network link operations.

IPv6 infrastructure security options

- Aka – First Hop Security

Manufacturer	DHCPv6 Snooping	ND Snooping	IPv6 Source Guard	RA-Guard (RFC6105)	SeND (RFC3971)
HP – Comware 5 (former 3Com/H3C)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes (ND Detection)	No
HP – ProVision ASIC platforms	No	No		Yes	No
Cisco IOS 12.2 (older 3560/3750)	No	No		No (manual ACL)	Yes
Cisco IOS 15.x (newer 3750E)	Yes (DHCPv6 Guard)	Yes		Yes	Yes
Juniper JUNOS (EX series)	<future>		<future>	<future>	

❖*Source – manufacturer public documents*

RA-Guard

- HP ProVision
  - switch(config)# ipv6 ra-guard ports <intf>
    - specific ports that will block RA's
- Cisco IOS
  - switch(config-if)# ipv6 nd raguard attach-policy
    - applied on specific ports that will accept RA's

❖Not a widely implemented feature as of yet

❖Can be circumvented by modifying IPv6 Extension Headers

❖http://tools.ietf.org/html/draft-gont-v6ops-ra-guard-evasion-01

Rogue RA & DHCPv6 port ACL

- ipv6 access-list stop-ra-dhcpv6
  - remark "deny Router Advertisements"
  - deny icmp any any router-advertisement
  - remark "deny all DHCPv6 server traffic to clients"
  - deny udp any any eq 546
  - deny udp any any eq 547
  - permit ipv6 any any
- interface 19
  - ipv6 access-group stop-ra-dhcpv6 in

❖ *Example for HP ProVision*

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  - deny udp any eq 547 any eq 546
  - permit any any
- interface gigabitethernet 1/0/1
  - switchport
  - ipv6 traffic-filter stop-ra-dhcpv6 in

❖ *Example for Cisco IOS*

IPv6 ACL implicit rules

- Manufacturers default implicit ACL rules are not always the same, be careful!
- Cisco IOS: implicit entries exist at the end of each IPv6 ACL to allow neighbor discovery and deny all other IPv6:
  - permit icmp any any nd-na
  - permit icmp any any nd-ns
  - deny ipv6 any any
    - therefore if you add 'deny ipv6 any any log' at the end of an IPv6 ACL, you must manually re-apply the 2 ND permits before the deny.
- Provision: implicit entry denies all other IPv6
- Comware: implicit entry allows all other IPv6

DHCPv6 – Attack mitigation

- Rogue DHCPv6 server providing malicious information (ADVERTISE or REPLY) to users
  - DHCPv6 Snooping
  - Port ACL (PACL) to prevent rogue RAs and DHCPv6 from user ports
- Pool consumption attack / many SOLICIT messages
  - ND Snooping
  - IPv6 Source Guard
  - Also throttle these messages to lower bandwidth
- Scanning
  - Use randomized node identifiers or larger pool if leased addresses are assigned sequentially

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Unknown external connections

- Deny packets for transition techniques / tunnels not in use
  - Deny IPv4 protocol 41 forwarding unless that is exactly what is intended
    (example: 6to4, 6in4, ISATAP, and others)
  - Deny UDP 3544 forwarding unless you are using Teredo-based tunneling
  - Deny UDP 3653 forwarding unless you are using Freenet6 tunneling

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Network scanning

- 2001:0db8:1010:61ab:f005:ba11:00da:11a5/64

- Since prefix is defined, don't scan there, need only scan lower 64 bits (18BB #'s!!!!!!)
- Scan last section for v4 looking addresses (0-254)
- Scan middle for "fffe", then scan for known OID
- Scan for known hex words
- Scan for IPv4 address converted to hex
  - 10.1.1.1 = 0a01:0101 -or- a01:101 -or- 10:1:1:1

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IPv6 Attack tools

- Attack Toolkits
  - THC-IPv6 – 30 tools!
    - http://www.thc.org/thc-ipv6/
  - SI6 Networks IPv6 Toolkit – 2 dozen tools!
    - http://www.si6networks.com/tools/ipv6toolkit/
- Scanners
  - Nmap, halfscan6 (older)
- Packet forgery
  - Scapy
- DoS Tools (older)
  - 6tunneldos, 4to6ddos, Imps6-tools

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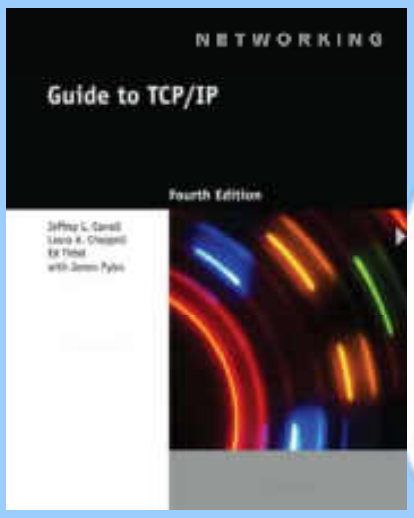

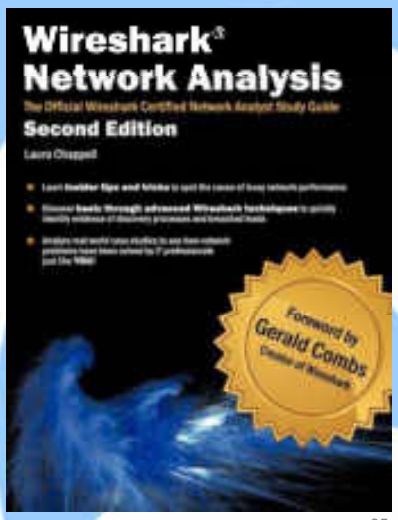

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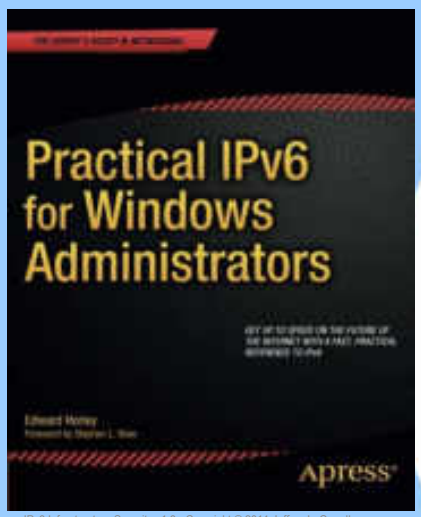

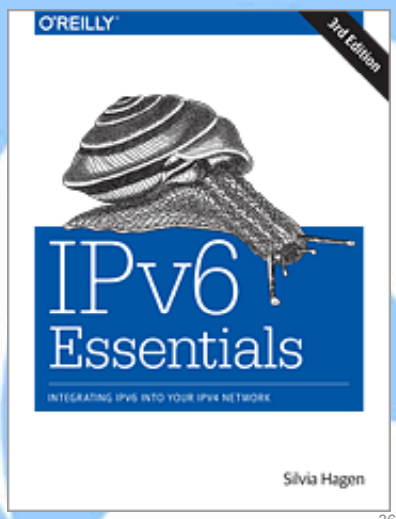

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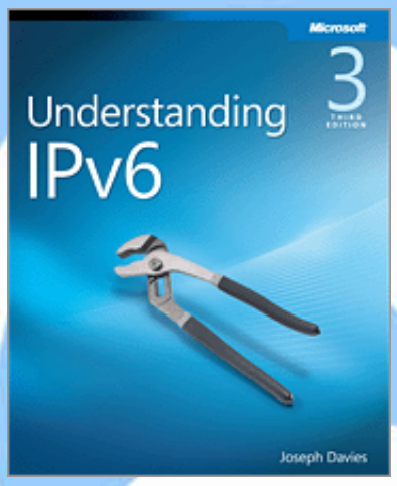

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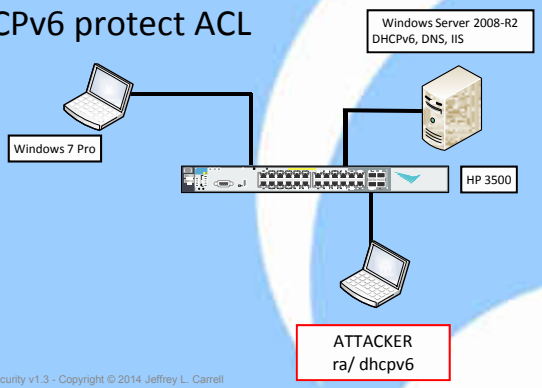
IPv6 FHS mitigation demonstration

- RA-Guard
- RA protect ACL
- DHCPv6 protect ACL



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