



IPv6 – Risiken & Nebenwirkungen unbeabsichtigt?

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Hallo ...



Basics



Philosophy



Vulnerabilities



Vendor Responses
& Failures



Recommendations







Basics

Episode 2

“In a distant future ...

IPv6 will come.

Maybe.

Hopefully never!”

The future is here already



IPv4

4 octets

4.294.967.296 addresses

192.168.1.1

IPv6

16 octets

340.282.366.920.938.463.463.374.607.4
31.768.211.456 addresses

2a01:2b3:4:a::1



Separated by
colons

Leading zeros
are omitted

2a01:2b3:4:a::1

2 octets each,
hexadecimal

The longest
chain of :0:0: is
replaced with ::

Subnets are /64

4.294.967.296 x the size of
the Internet!

Features!

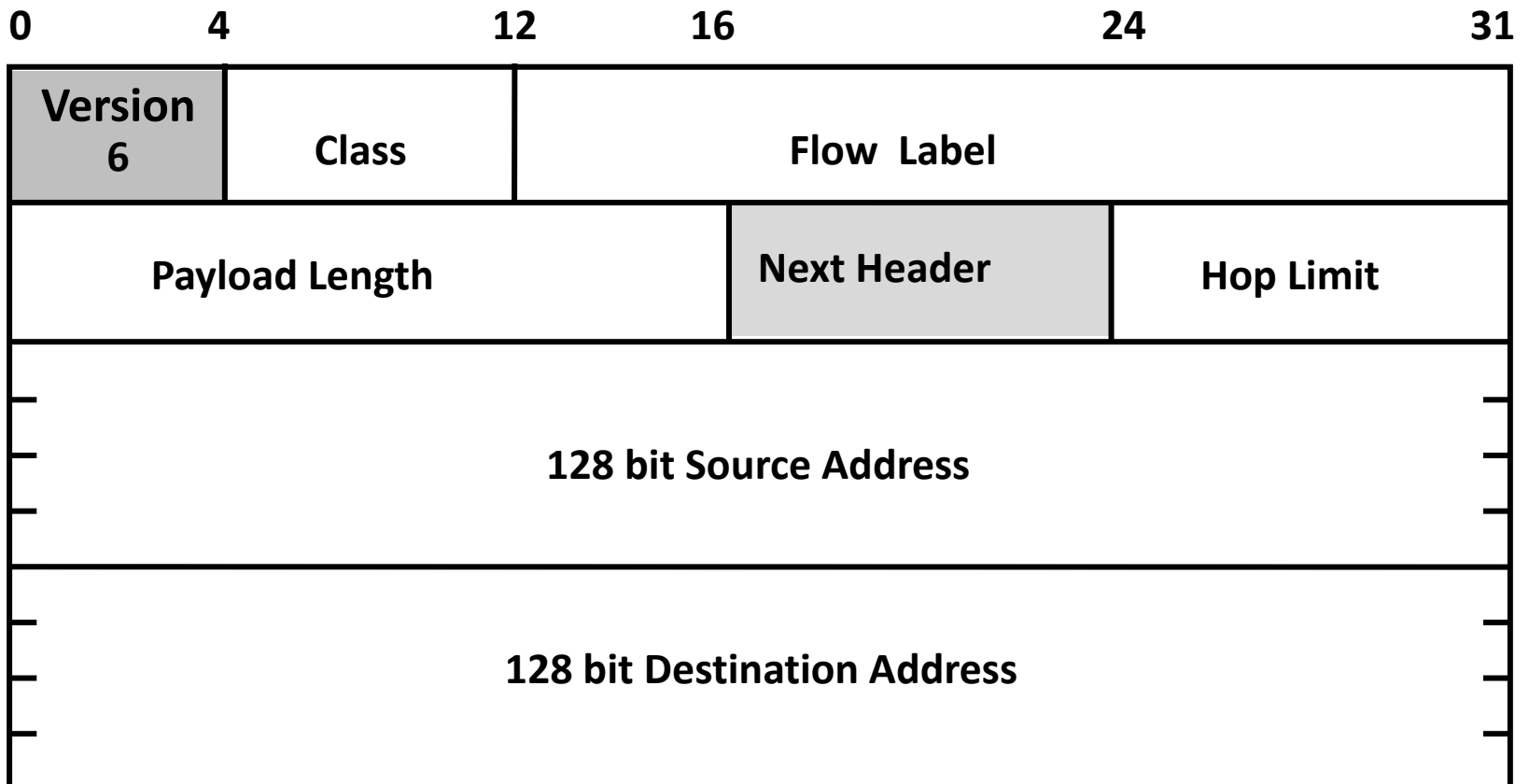
Autoconfiguration

IPSEC

Mobility

Enough addresses!

IPv6 header layout





Philosophy

Eliminate IPv4

True end-to-end communication

No NAT

No fragmentation
by routers

No defragmentation
by firewalls

Many ICMPv6 msgs
must pass the firewall

“IPv6 is secure”



IPv6 has mandatory IPSEC

Security Model is from 1995

Local = Trusted

Security = Encryption

Security = Filter Rules

Networking + Features > Security

From networkers for networkers

Features

Features!

FEATURES !!!

Goal #1
Network Efficiency

Goal #2

Network Features

Goal #436
some security

Blatant mistakes

~~No DNS server in
autoconfiguration~~

IPSEC does not work
with multicast

~~No private addresses~~

Many protocol security
design problems

However, good progress since
end of 2011



Vulnerabilities

Local

Remote

Vulnerabilities

Design

Implementation

small, small, small excerpt!

Local

Vulnerabilities

Design

Neighbor Discovery Spoofing



1. NS:

ICMP Type = 135

Src = **A**

Dst = All-Nodes Multicast

Query= Who-has IP **B**?

parasite6:

Answers to every
NS, claims to be
every system on
the LAN

2. NA:

ICMP Type = 136

Src = **B**

Dst = **A**

Data= MAC

“ARP spoofing” in IPv4
more dangerous due “OVERRIDE” flag

Router Advertisement Spoofing



fake_router6:

Sets any IP as default router, defines network prefixes and DNS servers

ICMP Type = 134
Src = Router Link-local Address
Dst = FF02::1
Data= options, prefix, lifetime, autoconfig flag

many, many attacks

Router Advertisement Spoofing

- Become the default router
 - MITM
- Assign multiple address spaces
 - Paypal, Ebay, Amazon, Google == local
 - MITM
- Remove real routing entry (spoofing lifetime 0)
 - DOS

Router Advertisement Spoofing

- Turns IPv4 networks into Dual Stack environments
 - MITM to remote dual stack targets
 - Attack on IPv6 address potentially bypasses personal firewall

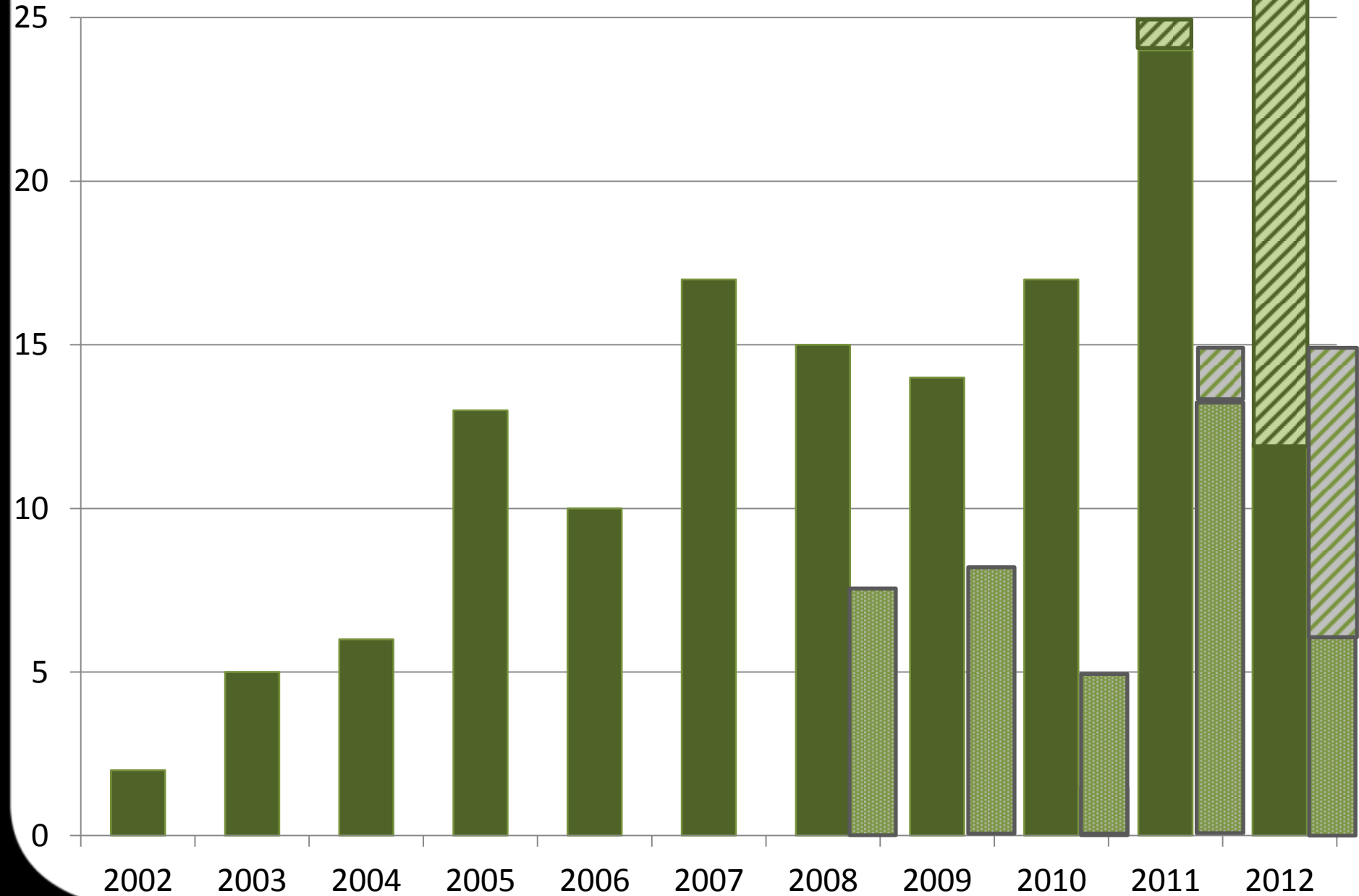
Local

Remote

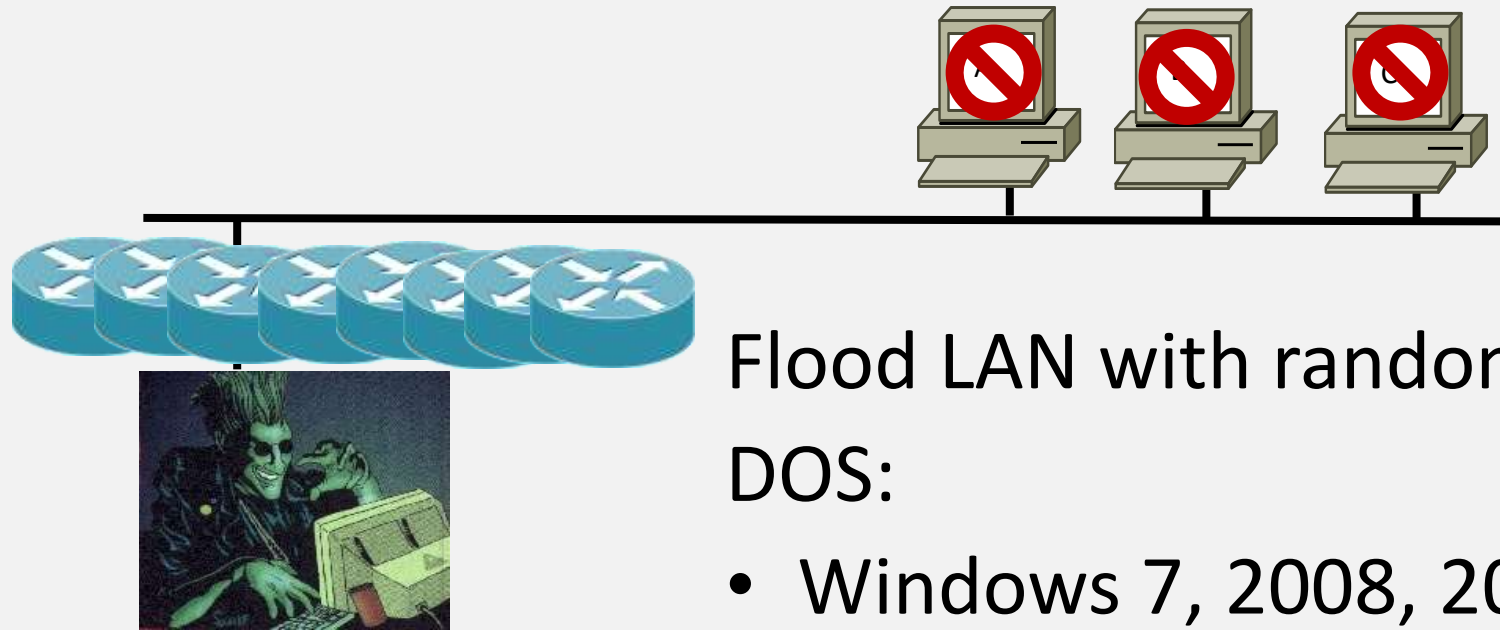
Vulnerabilities

Implementation

IPv6 Vulnerabilities (CVE)



Router Advertisement Flooding



Flood LAN with random RAs.
DOS:

- Windows 7, 2008, 2003, XP
- Cisco IOS+ASA (fixed)
- Juniper Netscreen
- FreeBSD (should be fixed)

The diagram consists of three overlapping rounded rectangular boxes. A central box labeled 'Vulnerabilities' is light green and overlaps two darker green boxes. One darker green box is labeled 'Design' and is positioned to the left and below the central box. The other darker green box is labeled 'Remote' and is positioned to the right and above the central box.

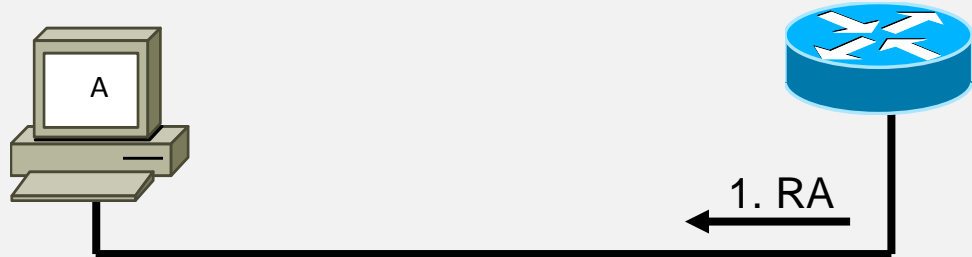
Remote

Vulnerabilities

Design

Privacy Issues in Autoconfiguration

Autoconfiguration:
host address based
on MAC address



ICMP Type = 134
Src = Router Link-local
Address
Dst = FF02::1
Data= options, prefix,
lifetime, autoconfig flag

MAC address: **00:0c:29:69:a6:66**

IPv6 host address: **::020c:29ff:fe69:a666**

Identify a host wherever it travels

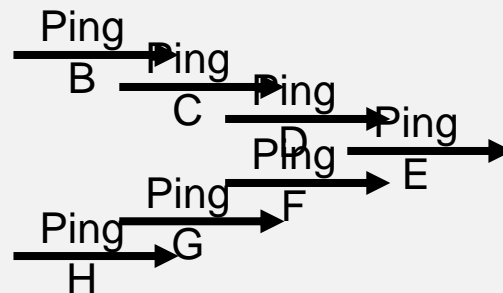
Source: common knowledge

Tool: not needed

NDP Exhaust



ndpexhaust6:
Flood the target
network with ping6



1. NS:
ICMP Type = 135
Src = Router
Dst = All-Nodes Multicast
Query= Who-has IP A?

Router will drop packets as queue fills

Do not try this here

www.thc.org/thc-ipv6



COCAINE.

1Pv6

SO MUCH COCAINE.

vulnz



Vendor Responses & Failures

The complexity problem™

So many:

- extension headers
- options in extension headers
- possibilities of orders of headers and options

additions & changes happen regular

The vendor solution:

Different support of options

Different maturity

Changes with every update



“Product supports IPv6” means nothing

Firewalls

IPv4: Whitelist / Deny anything unknown



IPv6: Blacklist / Drop anything known evil

Trust Local
("do nothing")

RA Guard /
ND Security

What vendors
propose

SeND

IPSEC

Trust Local
("do nothing")

What vendors
propose

a.k.a. as "The Microsoft Approach"TM

“We consider this issue to be by design
[and will not fix it].

The attack would require that an attacker
has access to the targeted network - a
situation that does not provide a security
boundary.”

Microsoft statement

Security

LAN & WAN

UC / VoIP

Infrastructure Mgmt

Wireless

Software

Data Center

SM



Ethernet Switch | Router | IPv6 | Service Providers | Metro Ethernet | MPLS | VPN | WAN Optimization | White P

Microsoft, Juniper urged to patch dangerous IPv6 DoS hole

Despite growing pressure from security experts, Microsoft and Juniper have so far refused to patch a dangerous hole that can freeze a Windows network in minutes.

By [Julie Bort](#), Network World

May 03, 2011 05:26 PM ET

 1 Comment  Print

Security experts are urging Microsoft and Juniper to patch a year-old IPv6 vulnerability so dangerous it can freeze any Windows machine on a LAN in a matter of minutes.

[Microsoft](#) has downplayed the risk because the hole requires a physical connection to the wired LAN. Juniper says it has delayed a patch because the hole only affects a small number of its products and it wants the IETF to fix the protocol instead.

SEE IT YOURSELF: [How to use a known IPv6 hole to fast-freeze a Windows network](#)

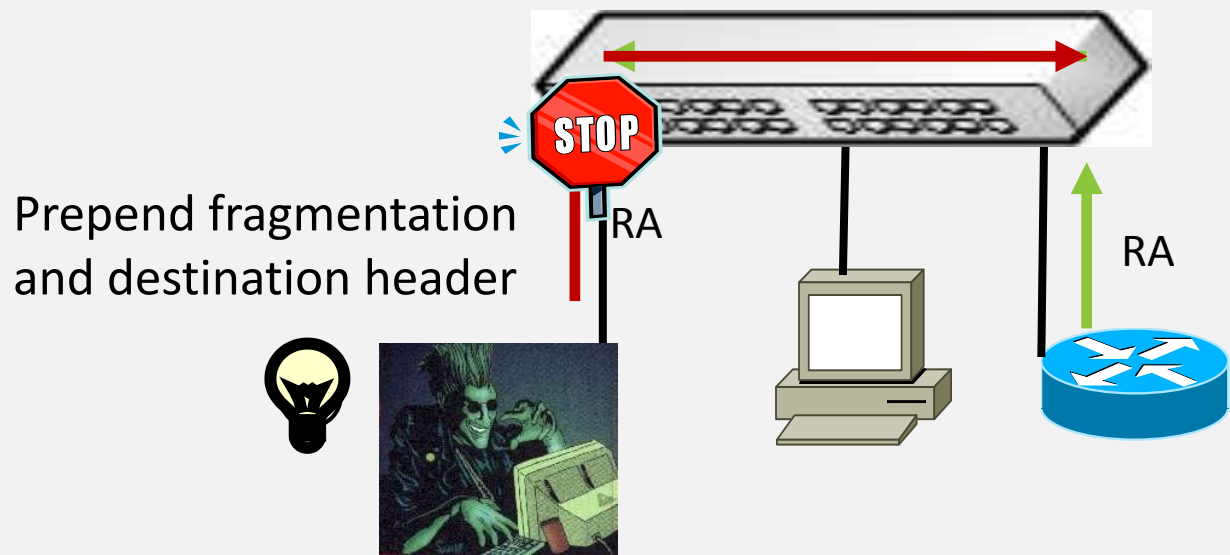
The vulnerability was initially discovered in July 2010 by Marc Heuse, an IT security consultant in Berlin. He found that products from several vendors were vulnerable, including all recent versions of Windows, Cisco routers, Linux and Juniper's Netscreen. Cisco issued a patch in October 2010, and the Linux kernel has since been fixed as well. Microsoft and Juniper have acknowledged the vulnerability, but neither have committed to patches.

The hole is in a technology known as

RA Guard /
ND Security

What vendors
propose

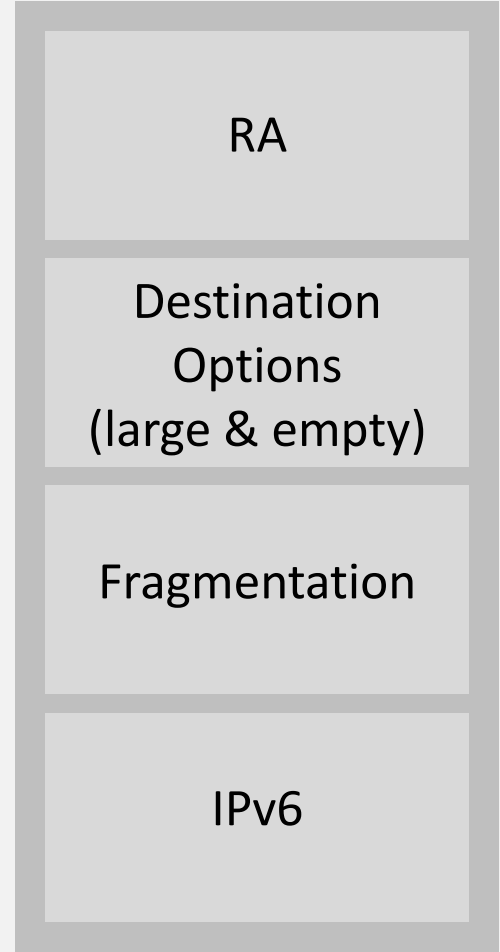
RA Guard / ND Security Bypass



Prepend fragmentation and destination header



It is not a standard, has patents and is Cisco only.



What vendors
propose

SeND

IPSEC

Problems!

All devices must support it (printers!)

No privacy extensions possible

Key distribution => big overhead

Only protects RA & ND (SeND)

SeND DOS



1. NS:

ICMP Type = 135

Src = A

Dst = All-Nodes Multicast

Query= Who-has IP B?

CGA = signing information

Flood NS:

ICMP Type = 135

Src = Attacker

Dst = All-Nodes Multicast

Data= MAC

CGA = fake signing information

CGA verification => CPU expensive

Flood => DOS

The Problem:
IPv4 thinking applied to IPv6

IPv6 requires a new thinking for

- Designing
- Implementing
- Configuring
- Hacking



Recommendations

The Good Thing™:

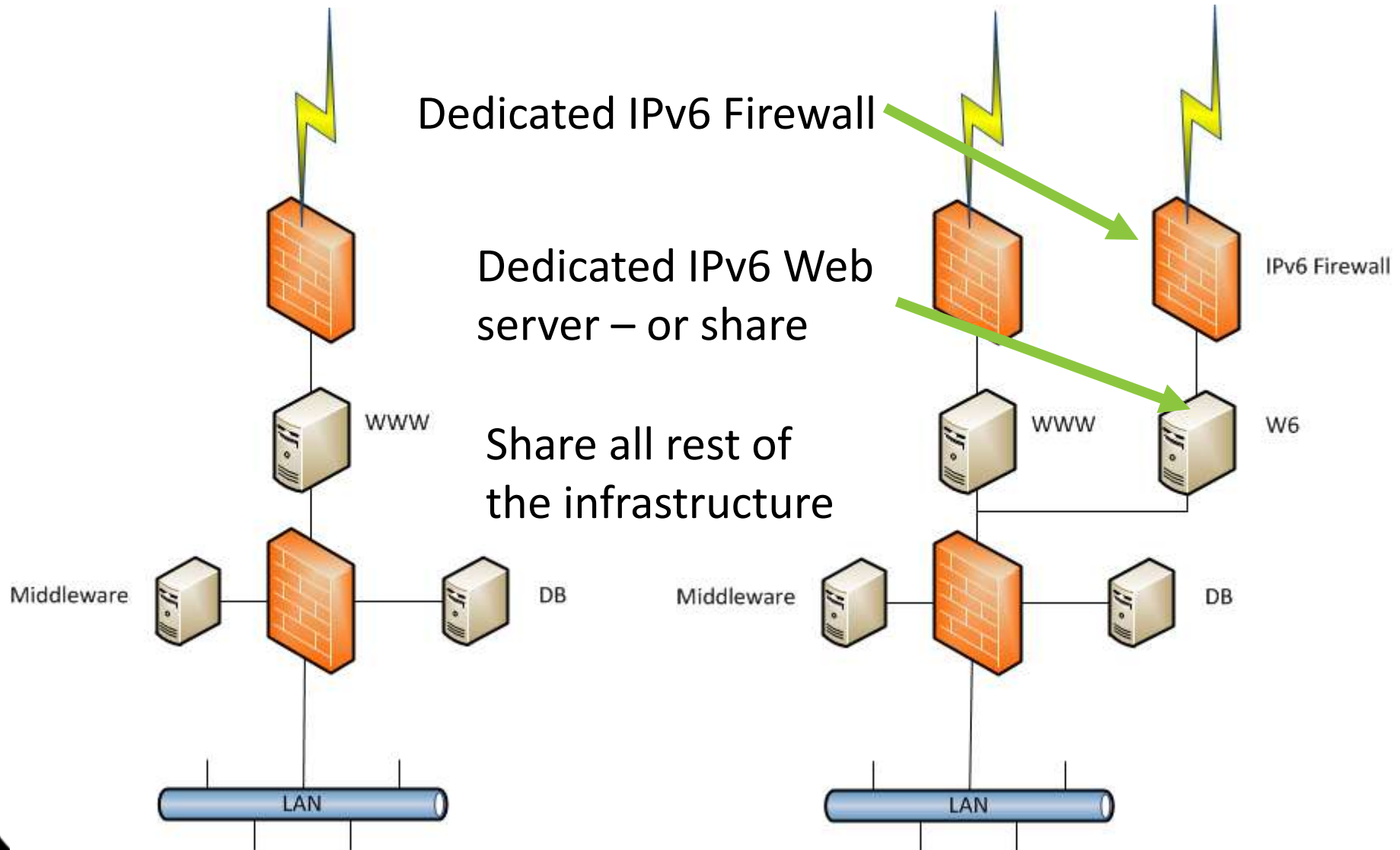
Critical issues are site-local only

Where to deploy IPv6 in the next 2 years?

Front-end DMZ only

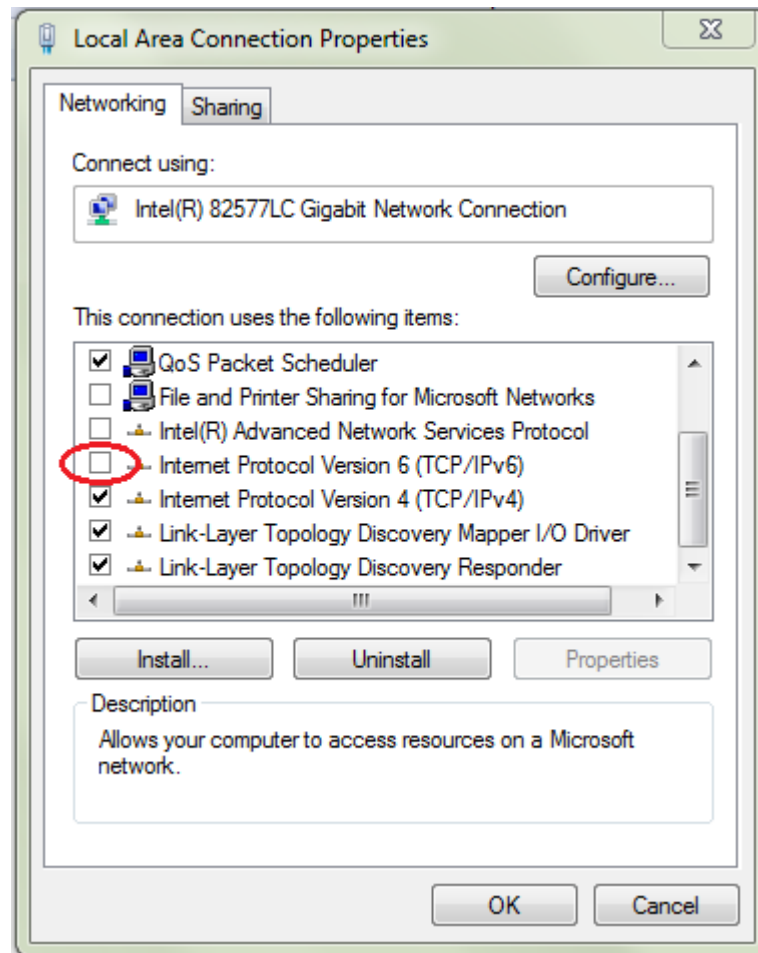
(if you are a “normal” company.
ISPs, Telcos, Universities, etc.: good luck)

How to deploy in the DMZ?



Everywhere else ...

- Disable IPv6 on all devices possible



IPv6 requires new thinking

If even vendors can't do it –
who can?



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