



# IPv6 Addressing

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- IPv6 Addressing
  - Unicast, Multicast and Anycast
  - IPv6 Prefix and Interface ID
- IPv6 Header Format
  - IPv6 Base Header
  - IPv6 Extension Headers
- ICMPv6 Message Format
  - Error Messages
  - Informational Messages
- Neighbor Discovery Process
  - MAC Address Resolution
  - Duplicate Address Detection
  - Address Auto-configuration
  - MTU Discovery
  - Redirect



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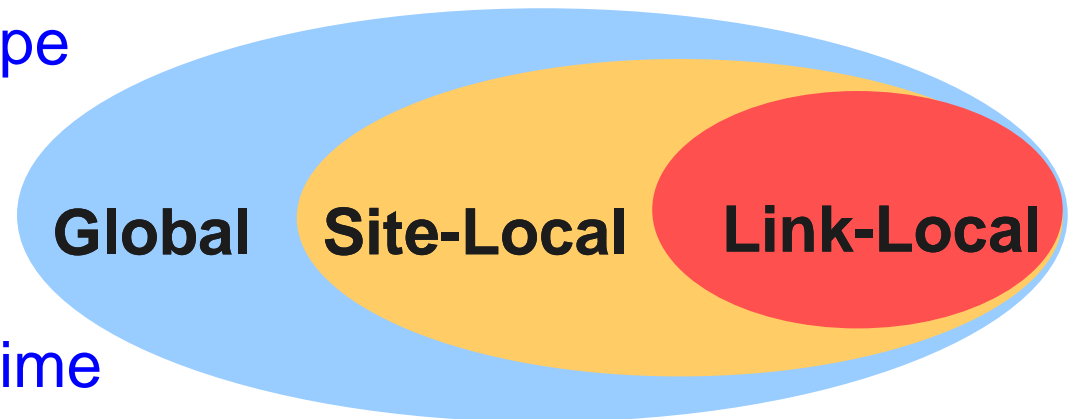
# IPv6 Address Notation

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- An IPv6-layer identifier for an interface or set of interfaces
- Preferred form
  - 3FFE:3600:0:FF:8:800:200C:417A
- Compressed form
  - FF01:0:0:0:0:0:0:7 becomes **FF01::7**
- IPv4-embedded
  - 0:0:0:0:0:0:140.113.131.3 or **::140.113.131.3**
- Address prefix
  - 3FFE:3600:B:88::**64** (note: no masks in IPv6!)
  - 128-bit IPv6 Address/prefix length

# IPv6 - Addressing Model

- Addresses are assigned to interfaces
  - No change from IPv4 Model
- Interface 'expected' to have **multiple** addresses
- Addresses have **scope**
  - Link Local
  - Site Local
  - Global
- Addresses have **lifetime**
  - Valid and Preferred lifetime



# Basic Address Types

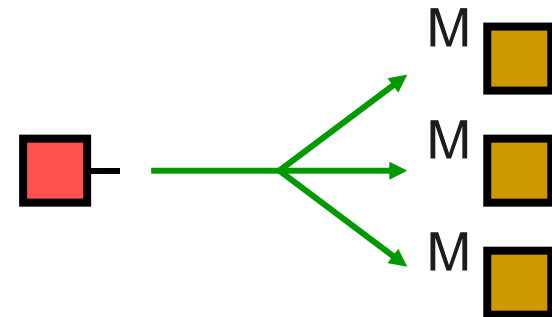
- Unicast

- Address of a single interface
- Delivery to single interface
- for **one-to-one** communication



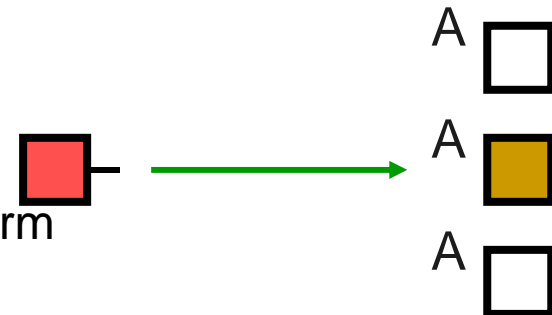
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- Address of a set of interfaces
- Delivery to all interfaces in the set
- for **one-to-many** communication



- Anycast

- Address of a set of interfaces
- Delivery to a **single** interface in the set
- for **one-to-nearest** communication
- Nearest is defined as being closest in term of routing distance



- No Broadcast



# IPv6 Prefix Types

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## Address type

IPv4-compatible

global unicast

link-local unicast

site-local unicast

multicast

## Binary prefix

0000...0 /96 (96 zero bits)

001/3

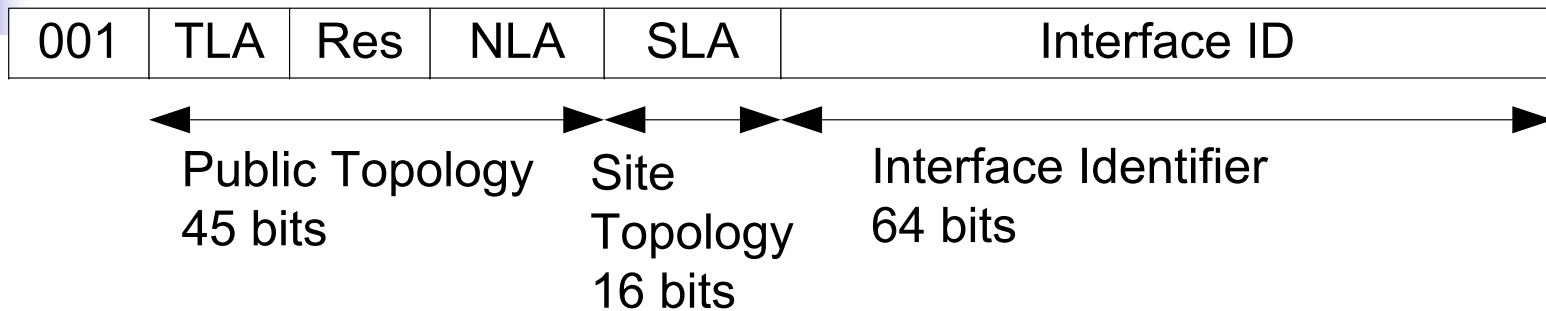
1111 1110 10/10

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- All other prefixes reserved (approx. 7/8ths of total)
- Anycast addresses allocated from unicast prefixes

# IPv6 Global Unicast Addresses

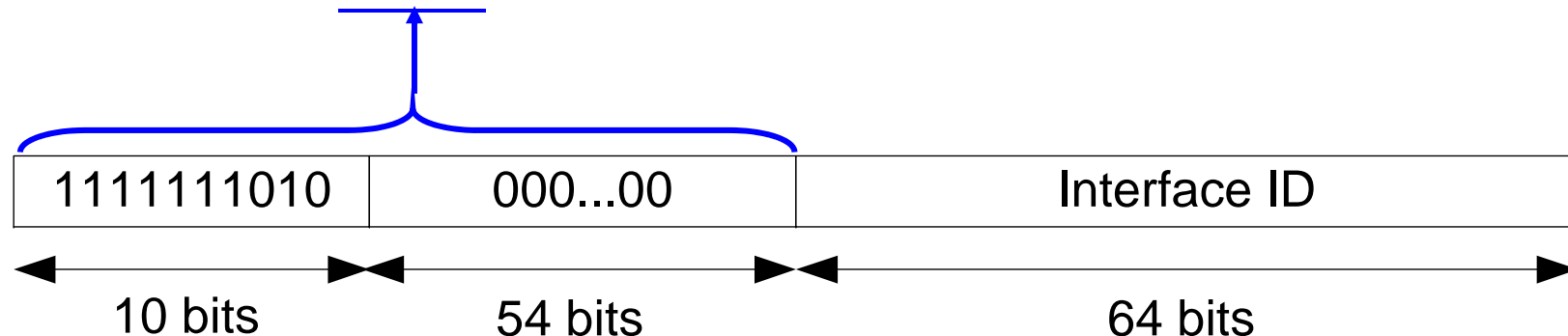


- **TLA** (Top Level Aggregator) = 13 bits
  - TLA routers(default-free router) do not have a default route, only route with 16 bits prefix
  - may be assigned to providers or exchanges
- **Res**= 8 bits
  - Reserved for future use in expanding the size of either the TLA or NLA
- **NLA** (Next Level Aggregator)= 24 bits
- **SLA** (Site level Aggregator)= 16 bits
- **Public topology**- Collection of larger and smaller ISP
- **Site topology**- Collection of subnets within an organization's site



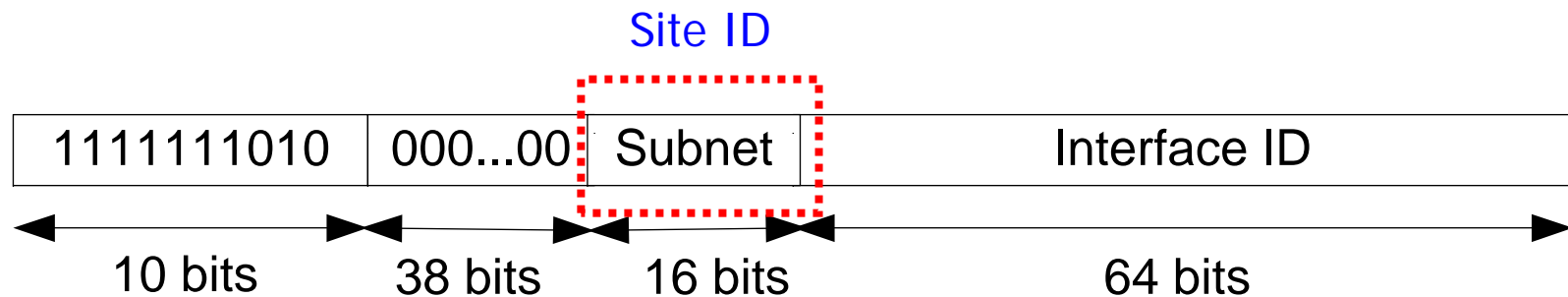
# Link-Local Unicast Addresses

- meaningful only in a single link zone, and may be **reused** on other links
- Link-local addresses for use during auto-configuration and **when no routers are present**
- Required for **Neighbor Discovery** process, always automatically configuration (**Interface ID+DAD**)
- An IPv6 router never forwards link-local traffic beyond the link
- Prefix= **FE80::/64**



# Site-Local Unicast Addresses

- meaningful only in a single site zone, and may be **re-used** in other sites
- Equivalent to the IPv4 **private address** space
- Address are not automatically configured and **must be assigned** (manually or by router)
- Prefix= **FEC0::/48**





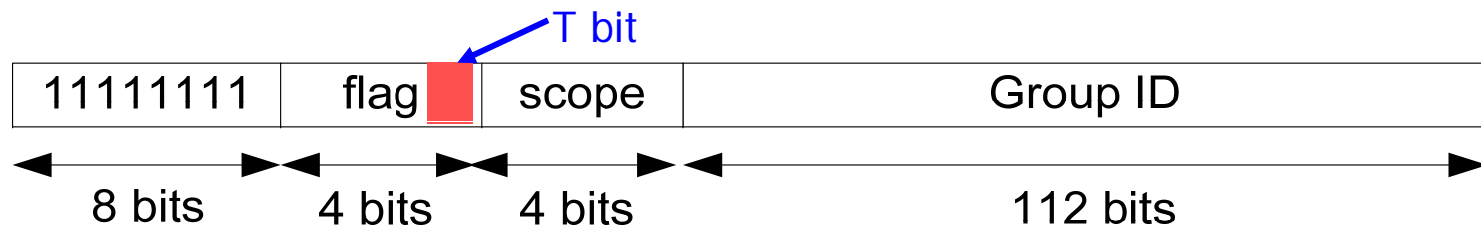
# Special IPv6 address

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- Unspecified address(0:0:0:0:0:0:0:0 or ::)
  - Indicate the absence of an address
  - Equivalent to IPv4 0.0.0.0
  - Never assigned to an interface or used as a destination address
- Loopback address (0:0:0:0:0:0:0:1 or ::1)
  - Identify a loopback interface
- IPv4-compatible address (0:0:0:0:0:0:w.c.x.z or ::w.c.x.z)
  - Used by dual-stack nodes
  - IPv6 traffic is automatically encapsulated with an IPv4 header and send to the destination using the IPv4 infrastructure
- IPv4 mapped address (0:0:0:0:0:FFFF:w.c.x.z or ::FFFF:w.c.x.z)
  - Represent an IPv4-only node to an IPv6 node
  - Never used as a source or destination address of IPv6 packet
- NSAP(Network Service Access Point) address(FP=0000001)
- IPX(Internetwork Packet Exchange) address (FP=0000010)

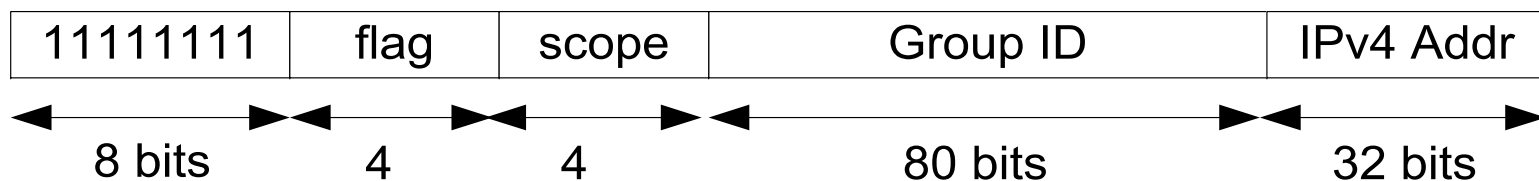
# IPv6 Multicast addresses

- Multicast address can not be used as **source** or as **intermediate destination** in a Routing header
- low-order Transient(T) flag indicates **permanent** (T=0) / **transient** (T=1) group; three other flags reserved
- **Scope** field
  - 1: node-local
  - 2: link-local
  - 5: site-local
  - 8: organization-local
  - E: global
  - Others: reserved



# IPv6 Multicast addresses(cont.)

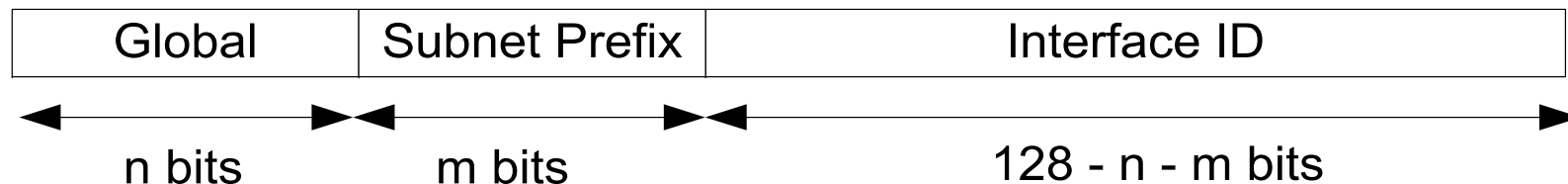
- Special multicast IPv6 address
  - **FF01::1**
    - Node-local scope all-nodes multicast address
  - **FF02::1**
    - Link-local scope all-nodes multicast address
  - **FF01::2**
    - Node-local scope all-routers multicast address
  - **FF02::2**
    - Link-local scope all-Routers multicast address
  - **FF05::2**
    - Site-local scope all-routers multicast address
- Use low-order **32** bits, each group ID maps to a unique Ethernet MAC address (RFC 2373)





# Other IPv6 addresses

- Solicited-node address
  - Facilitates the efficient query of network node during address resolution (ICMPv6 Neighbor Discovery)
  - Prefix= [FF02::1:FF00:0000/104](#) and the last [24-bits](#) of IPv6 address
- Anycast IPv6 address
  - Assigned to multiple interfaces
  - Only used as [destination](#) address
  - Only assigned to [router](#)
  - Anycast addresses are indistinguishable from [unicast](#)
  - Subnet-router anycast address is [predefined](#) and requires





# IPv6 Addresses for a Host

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- Unicast addresses
  - A link-local address for each interface (FE80::[Interface ID])
  - Unicast address for each interface
    - Site-local, or
    - One or multiple aggregatable global unicast
  - A loopback address (::1)
- Multicast addresses
  - Node-local all-nodes multicast address (FF01::1)
  - Link-local all-nodes multicast address (FF02::1)
  - Solicited-node address for each unicast address
  - Multicast address of joined group

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# IPv6 Addresses for a Router

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- Unicast addresses
  - A link-local address for each interface
  - Unicast address for each interface
    - Site-local, or
    - One or multiple aggregatable global unicast
  - Subnet-Router anycast address
  - Additional anycast address (optional)
  - A loopback address (::1)
- Multicast addresses
  - Node-local all-nodes multicast address (FF01::1)
  - Node-local all-routers multicast address (FF01::2)
  - Link-local all-nodes multicast address (FF02::1)
  - Link-local all-routers multicast address (FF02::2)
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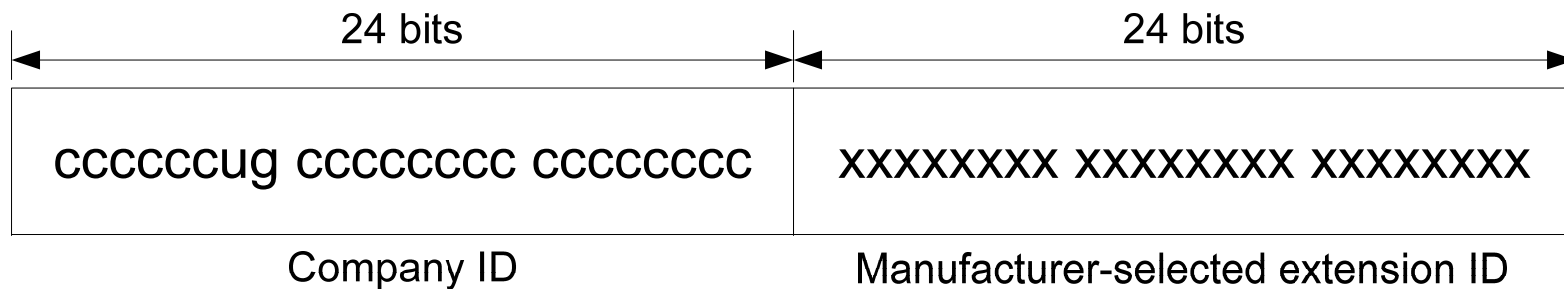
# IPv6 Interface Identifier

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- Lowest-order **64-bit** field of unicast address
- Globally unique or locally unique within a subnet
- Future higher-layer protocols may take advantage of globally-unique interface IDs to identify nodes independently of their current location
- Configure interface identifier
  - Manual configuration
  - DHCPv6 (configures whole address)
  - automatic derivation from MAC address or other hardware serial number
  - pseudo-random generation (for client privacy)
  - the latter two choices enable “serverless” or “stateless” auto-configuration, when combined with high-order part of the address learned via Router Advertisements

# IEEE 802 Addresses

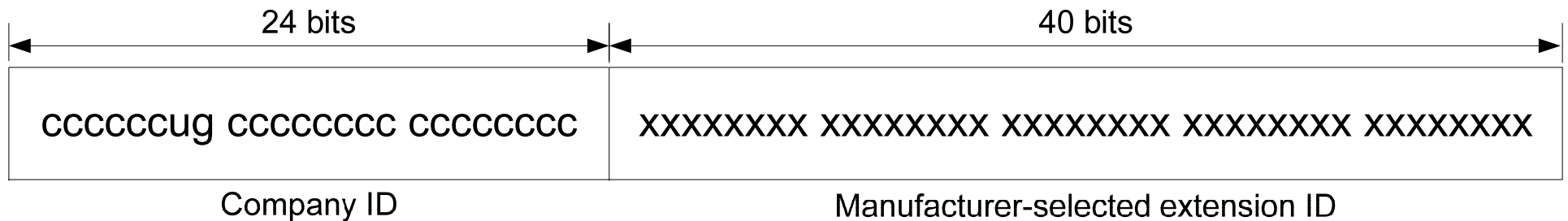
- U/L bit (u)
  - Universally (0) or Locally (1) Administration
- U/G bit (g)
  - Unicast (0) or Group (1) Address

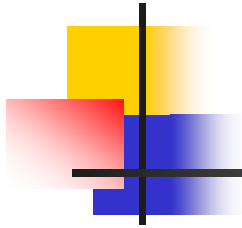




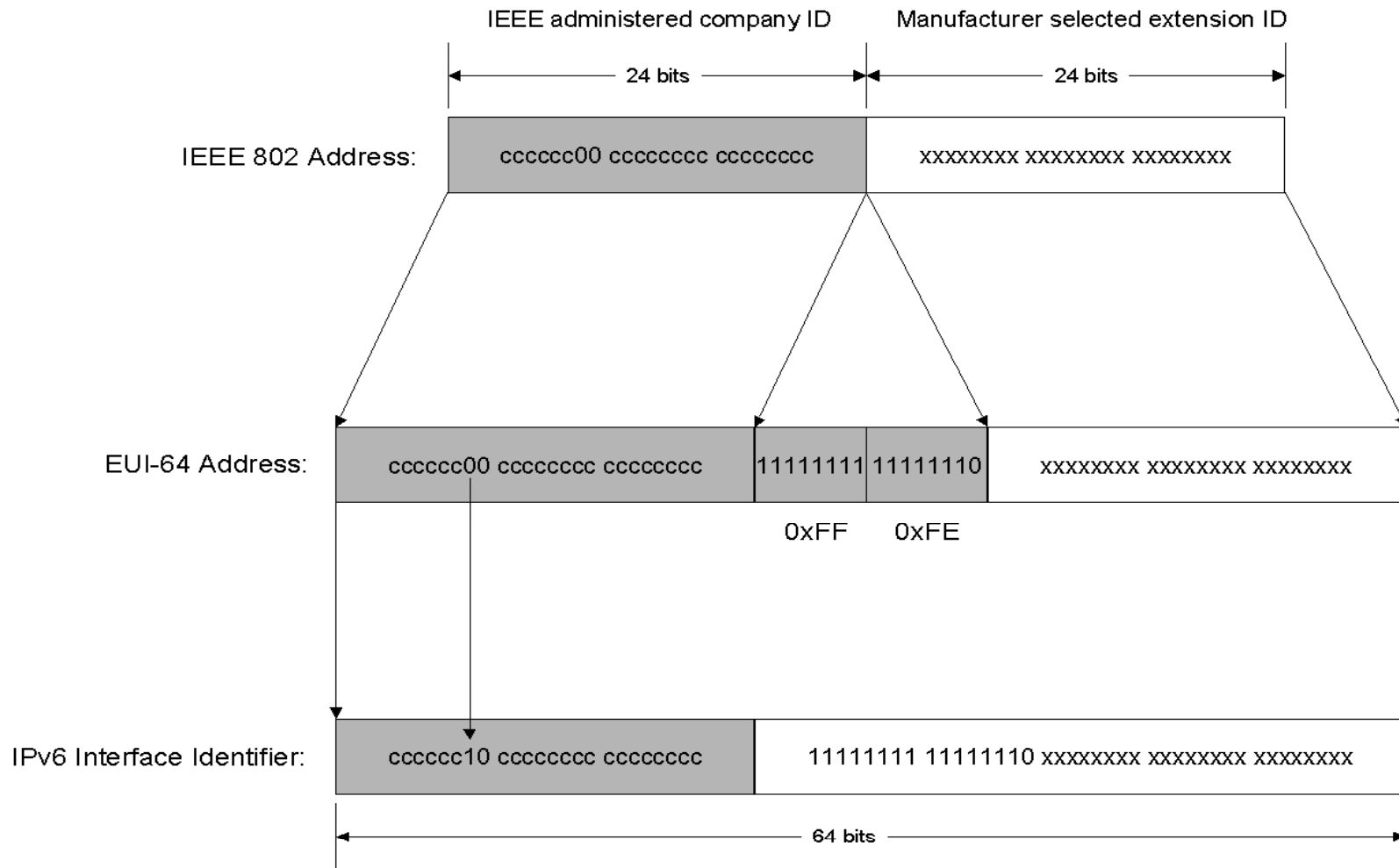
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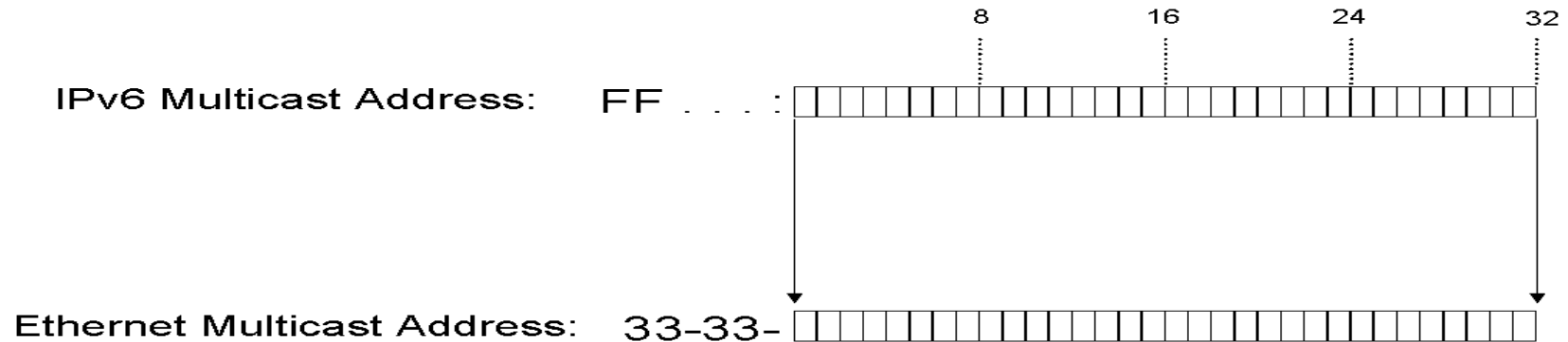




# Interface ID Using IEEE EUI-64



# Mapping IPv6 Multicast Address to Ethernet MAC Address



- Use specific vendor code= **33-33** for multicast use
- Avoid address duplicate in **solicited-node address** (lower **24-bit**)
- For examples, a host with Ethernet MAC=  
00-AA-00-3F-2A-1C
  - Link local address= **FE80::2AA:FF:FE3F:2A1C**
  - **33-33-00-00-00-01** (link-local all-nodes multicast address **FF02::1**)
  - **33-33-FF-3F-2A-1C** (solicited-node multicast address **FF02::1:FF3F:2A1C**)

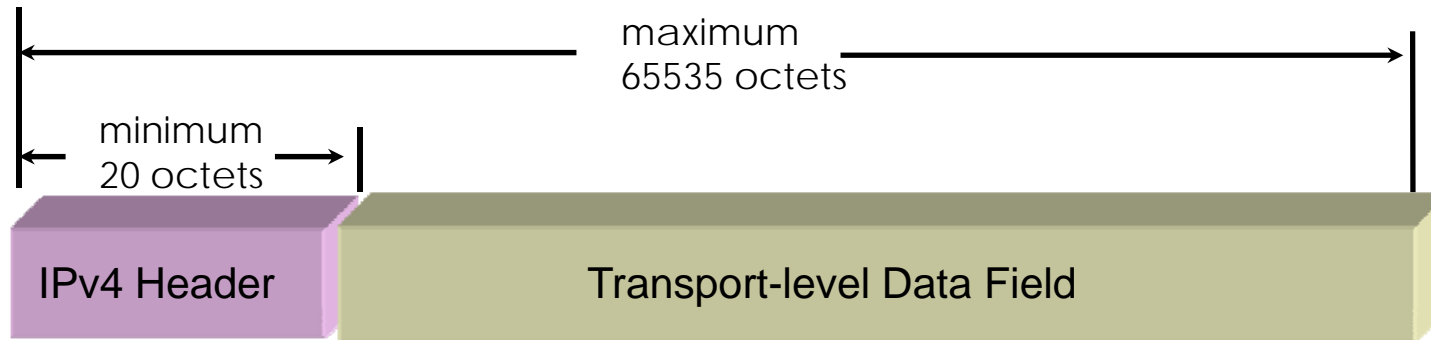


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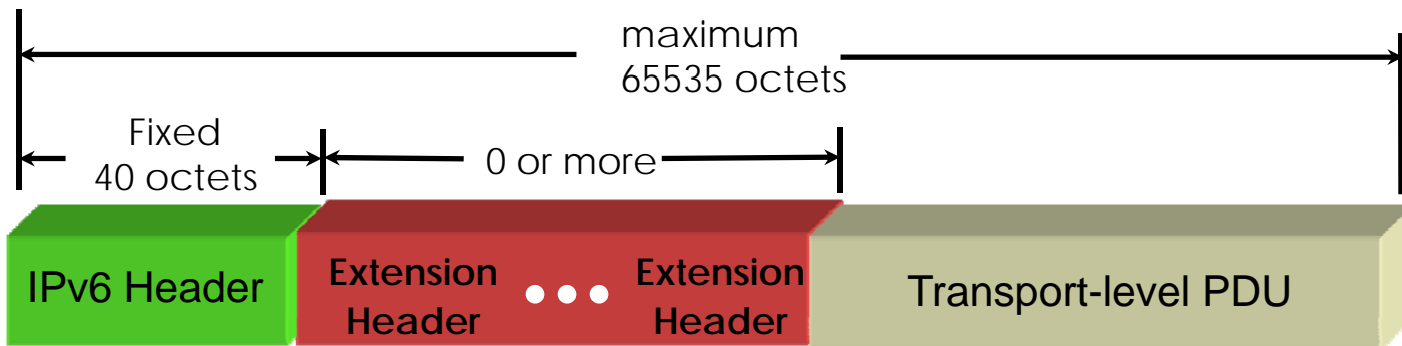
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# IPv6 vs. IPv4 Packet Data Unit



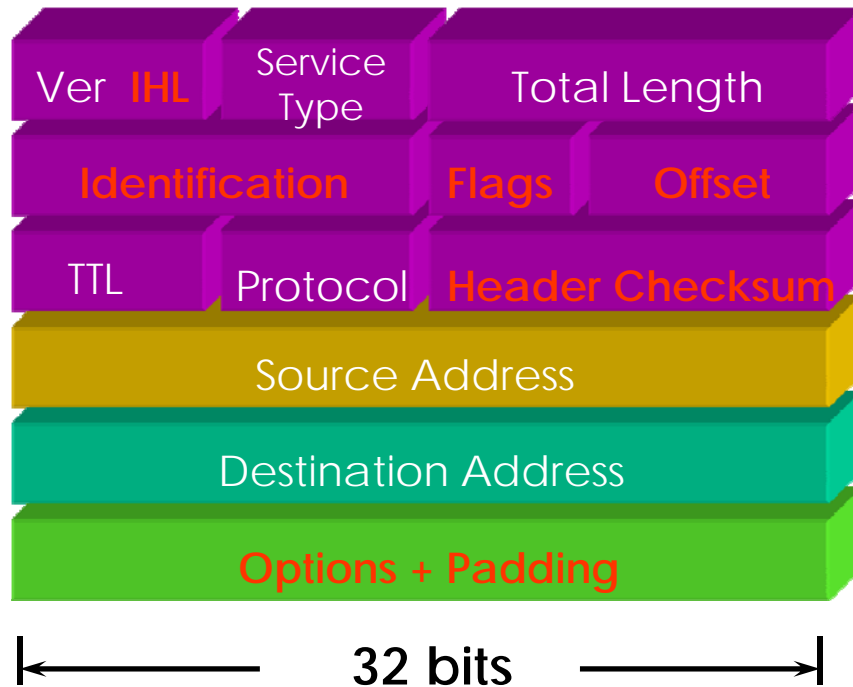
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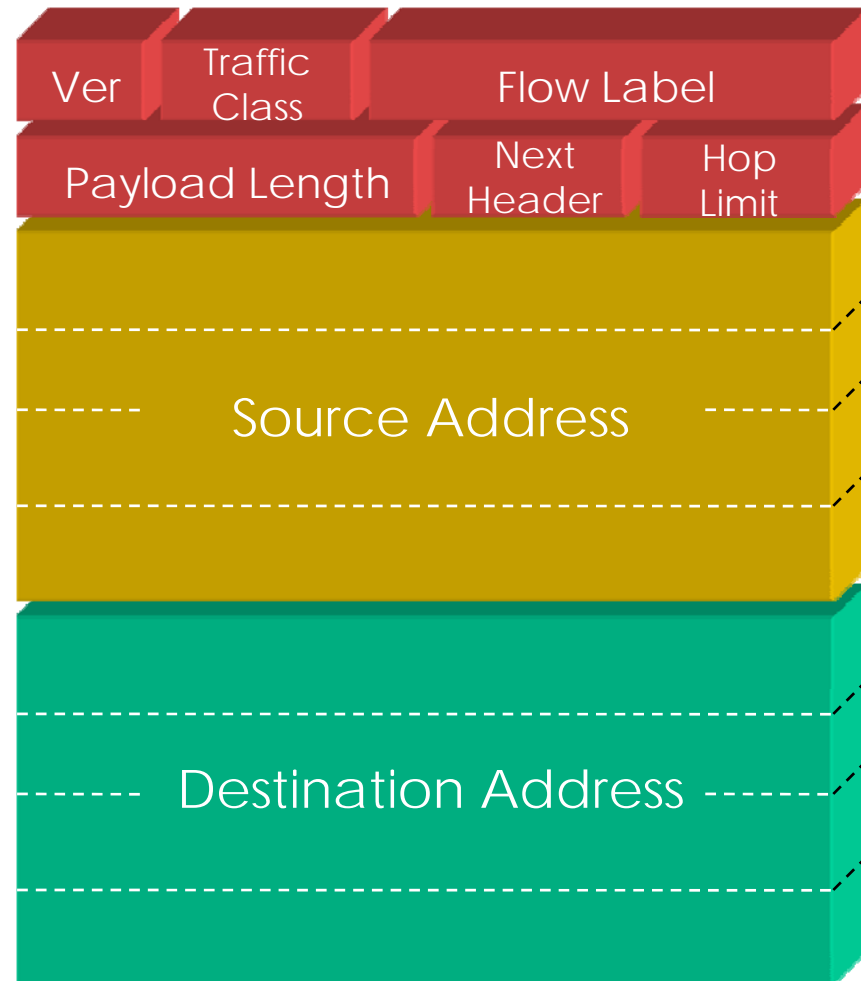
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# Comparison of IPv4 and IPv6 Headers

*IPv4 Packet Header*



*IPv6 Packet Header*





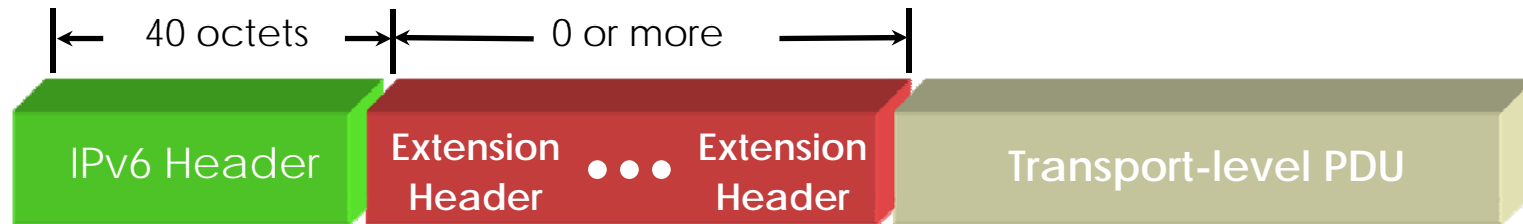


# Summary of Header Changes Between IPv4 & IPv6

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- 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
- Revised
  - Alignment changed from 32 to 64 bits
  - Time to Live → Hop Limit
  - Protocol → Next Header
  - Precedence & TOS → Traffic Class
  - Addresses increased 32 bits → 128 bits
- Extended
  - Flow Label field added

# IPv6 Extension Headers

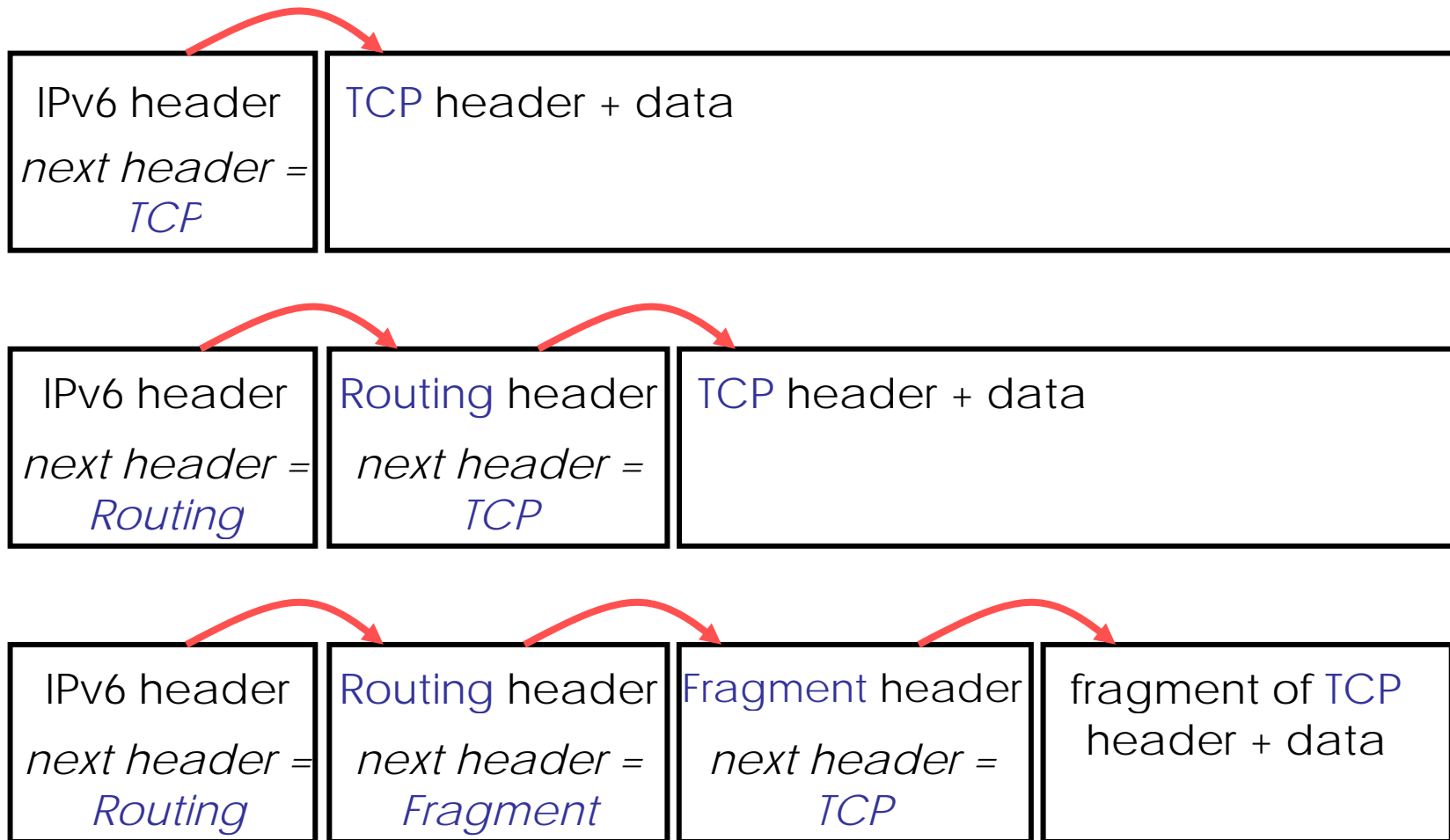


## IPv6 PDU general form

Ordered

- Hop-by-hop options header
- Destination options header (\*)
- Routing header
- Fragment header
- Authentication header
- Encapsulating security payload header
- Destination options header (\*)

# Extension Header Examples





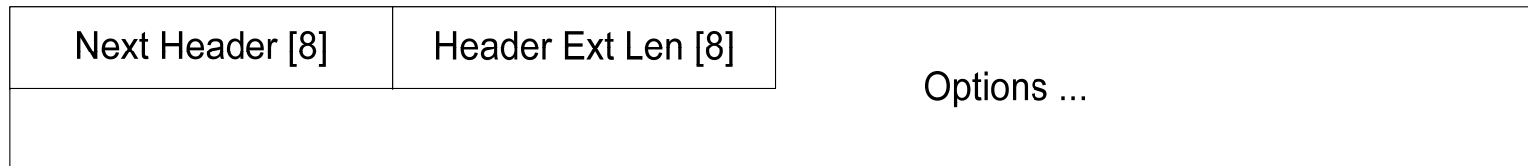
# Value of Next Header Field

Value (in decimal)	Header	Value (in decimal)	Header
0	Hop-by-Hop options Header	46	RSVP
6	TCP	50	Encapsulated Security Header
17	UDP	51	Authentication Header
41	Encapsulated IPv6 header	58	ICMPv6
43	Routing Header	59	No next Header
44	Fragmentation Header	60	Destination Options header



# Hop-by-Hop option header

- Specify delivery parameters at each hop on the path to the destination



- Header Extension Length
  - No of 8-byte block in Hop-by-Hop option header
  - Not including first 8 bytes
- Option
  - Type-Length-Value (TLV) format
  - 0: Pad1 – insert single byte of padding
  - 1: PadN – insert 2 or more byte of padding
  - 5: Router Alert – indicate to the router the packets require additional processing (MLD and RSVP)
  - 194: Jumbo Payload – indicate payload size over 65,535



# Destination Option Header

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- Specify packet delivery parameter for either intermediate destinations or final destinations
- If **Routing Header** exists, it specifies delivery or processing options at each intermediate destination

Next Header [8]	Header Ext Len [8]	Options ...

# Routing Header

- Similar to the [source routing](#) in IPv4
- Use of Routing header with anycast addresses allows routing packets through particular regions
  - e.g., for provider selection, policy, performance, etc.

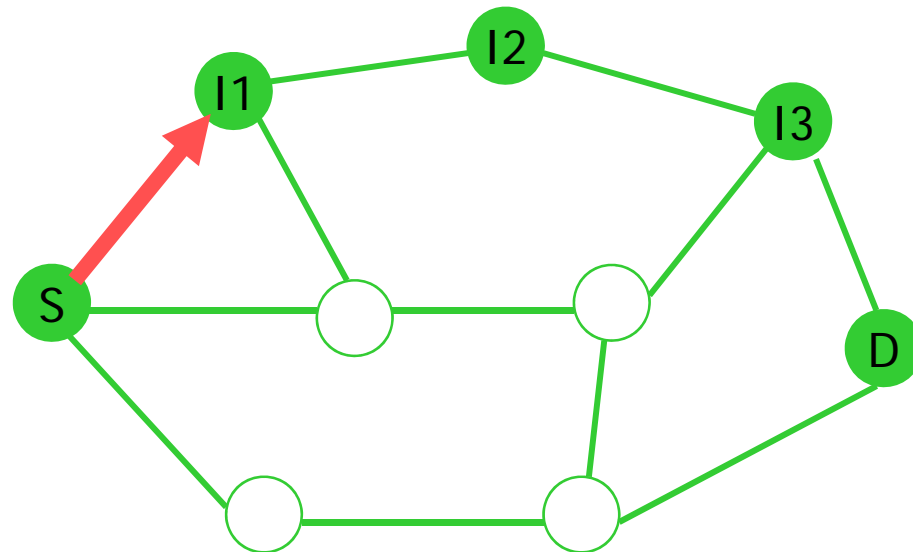
Next Header [8]	Header Ext Len [8]	Routing Type=0	Segments Left [8]
Reserved [32]			
Address 1 [128]			
. . . .			
Address N [128]			

Segments Left indicates how many intermediate nodes are to be transited.

## Examples of Type 0 Routing Header:

S->I1->I2->I3->D

- Source Address=S
- Destination Address=I1
- Hdr Ext Len=6
- Segments Left=3
- Address[1]=I2
- Address[2]=I3
- Address[3]=D

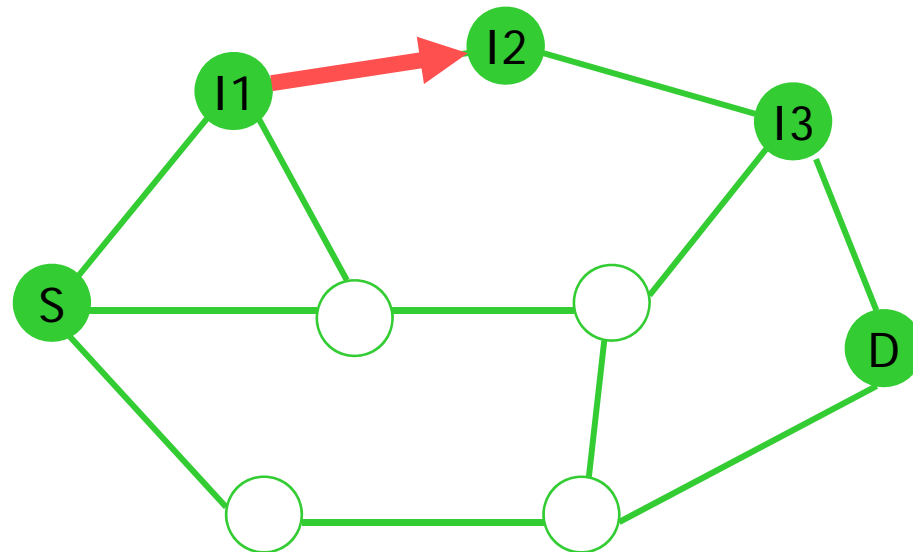




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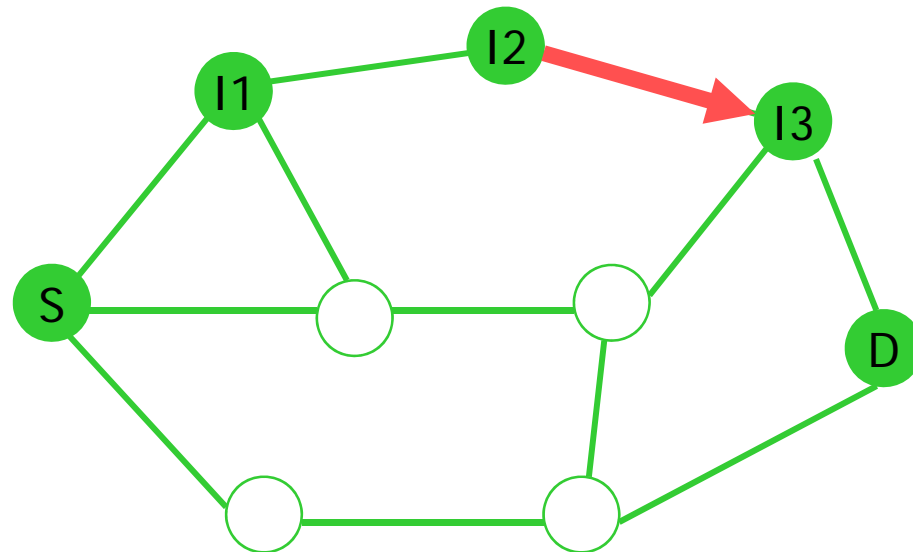
- Source Address=S
- Destination Address=I2
- Hdr Ext Len=6
- Segments Left=2
- Address[1]=I1
- Address[2]=I3
- Address[3]=D



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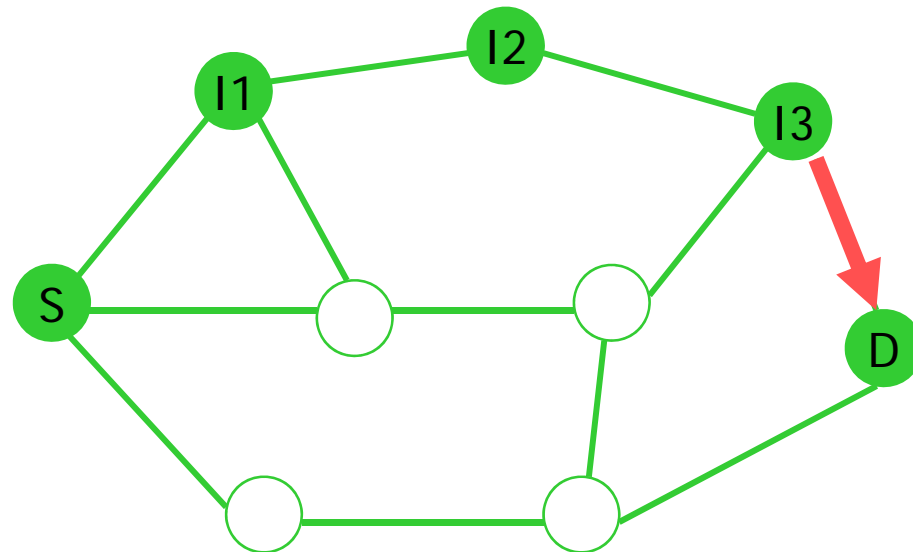
- Source Address-S
- Destination Address=I3
- Hdr Ext Len=6
- Segments Left=1
- Address[1]=I1
- Address[2]=I2
- Address[3]=D



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S->I1->I2->I3->D

- Source Address=S
- Destination Address=D
- Hdr Ext Len=6
- Segments Left=0
- Address[1]=I1
- Address[2]=I2
- Address[3]=I3





# Fragment Header

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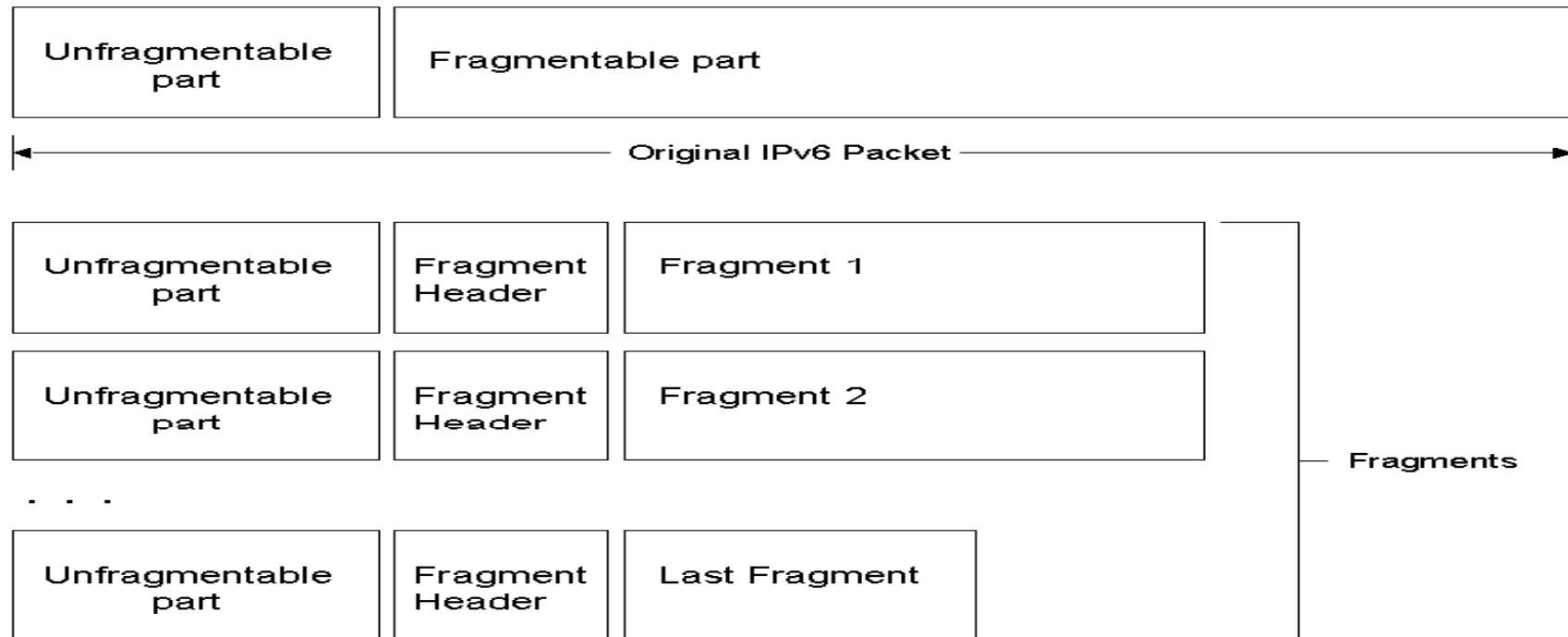
- Fragmentation and reassembly services is an end-to-end function; routers do not fragment packets en-route if too big—they send ICMP “packet too big” instead
- Support only on source nodes

Next Header [8]	Reserved [8]	Fragment Offset [13]	00	M
Identification [32]				

- M indicates more fragments
- Fragment Offset in units of 8 bytes
- Identification is a 32-bit label used to identify the fragment

# Fragmentation process

- **Unfragmentable** part must be processed by each intermediate node and destination
- **Fragmentable** part must only be processed at final destination





# Authentication Header

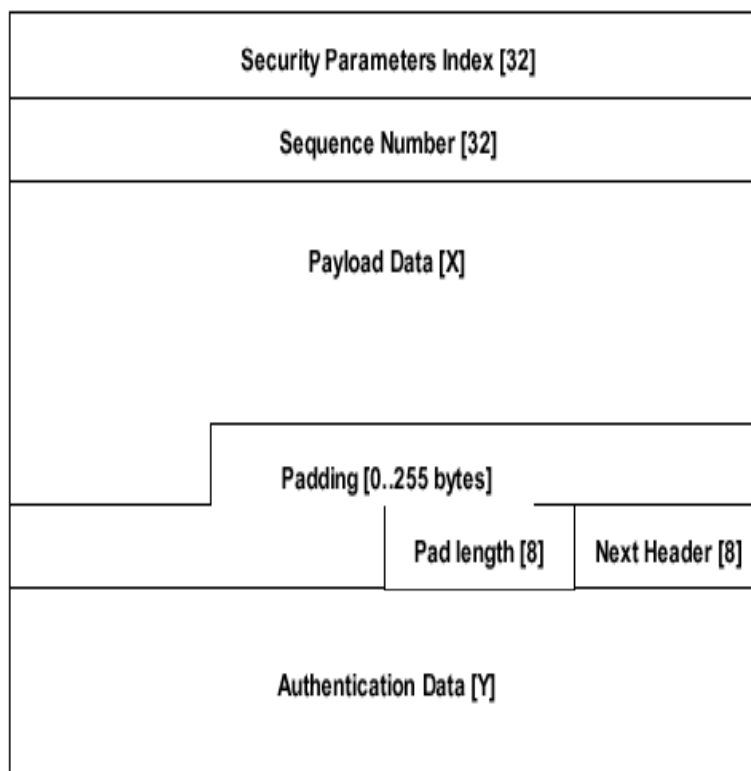
- Provide data authentication
  - verification of the node that sent the packet
- Provide data integrity
  - verification that the data was not modified in transit
- Provide anti-replay protection
  - assurance that captured packets cannot be retransmitted and accepted as valid data

Next Header [8]	Payload Length[8]	Reserved [16] = 0
Security Parameters Index [32]		
Sequence Number [32]		
Authentication Data [N*32]		

- SPI identifies the security association.
- Sequence Number is incremented by sender for every packet.
- Authentication Data is the integrity check data.

# Encapsulating Security Payload(ESP) Header and Trailer

- Provides data confidentiality, data authentication, and data integrity

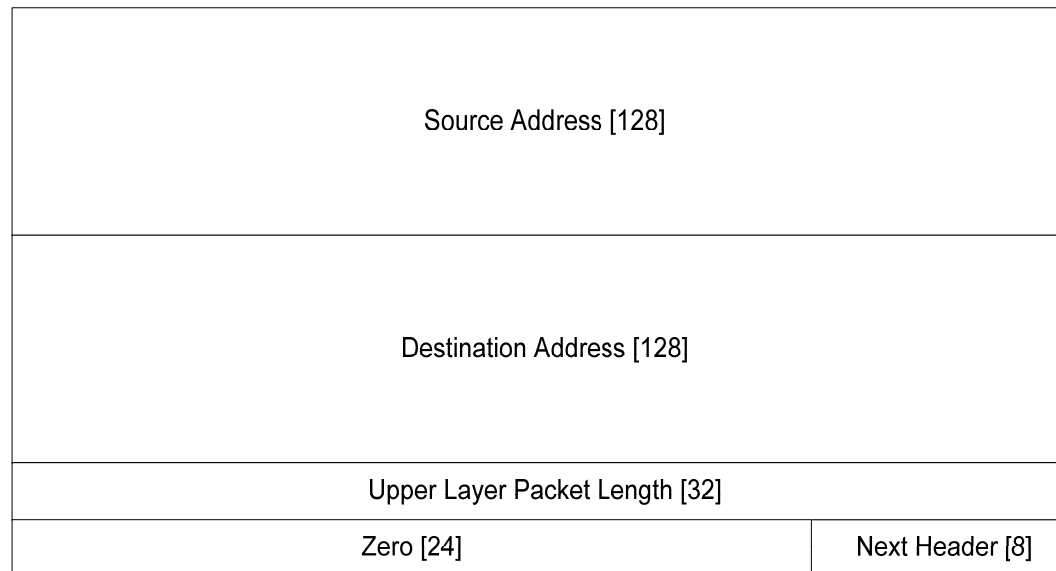


Field Name	Bit Length	Description
Security Parameters Index	32	Used as for the AH.
Sequence Number	32	Used as for the AH
Payload Data.	X	The encrypted payload along with any data required for decryption (e.g. initialization data)
Padding.	0-256	Added to the header to ensure that the payload data ends on the appropriate byte boundary
Pad length	8	The number of padding bytes added
Next header	8	As for all other options headers
Authentication Data	Y	Used as for the AH.



# Upper Layer Checksums

- TCP/UDP “Pseudo-Header” for IPv6



- ICMPv6 includes the above pseudo-header in its checksum computation
  - Protect ICMP from misdelivery or corruption of IPv6 header
  - Next header field in pseudo-header for ICMP = 58 (ICMP)





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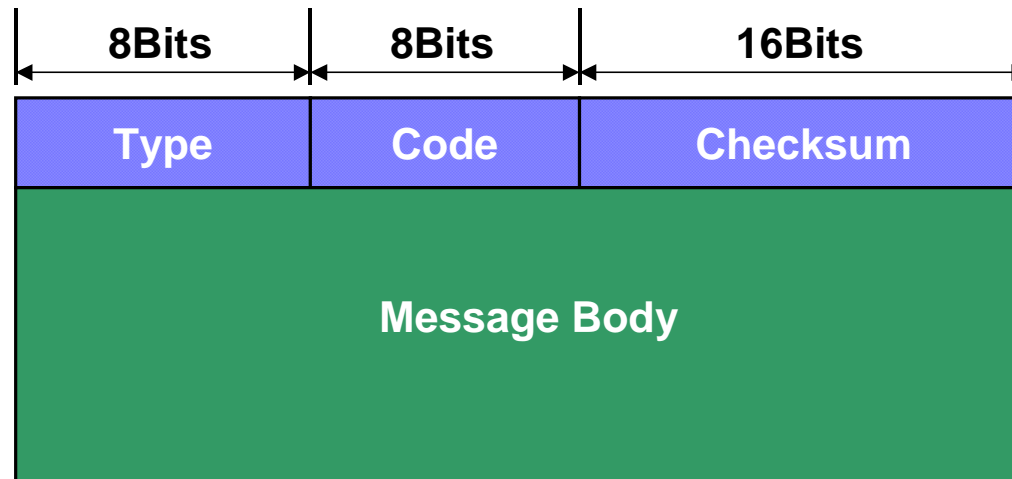


# Features of ICMPv6

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- An integral part of IPv6 and **MUST** be fully implement by every IPv6 node (**RFC 2463**)
- Next Header value= **58**
- Report delivery or forwarding errors
- Provide simple echo service for troubleshooting
- Multicast Listener discovery(MLD) – **3** ICMPv6 messages (defined in RFC 2710)
- Neighbor Discovery(ND) – **5** ICMPv6 messages (defined in RFC 2461)

# ICMPv6 Message Format



Field Name	Bit Length	Description
Checksum	16	The checksum is a 16 bit CRC check calculated over the entire ICMPv6 message, including an IPv6 "Pseudo Header" as defined in Section 8.1 of [IPv6].
Code	8	The code field further defines the message content
Type	8	The Type field identifies the message contents. ICMPv6 messages are divided into two classes; Error messages and Informational messages. The Type values of Error messages go from 0 to 127. Informational messages have type values from 128 to 255.
Message Body	N*32	The message body depends on the message type. Every ICMPv6 error message includes as much of the offending packet as can be accommodated without exceeding the minimum IPv6 MTU (1280 bytes).



# Two Types of ICMP Messages

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- Error messages
  - Report error in the forwarding or delivery
  - Type 1 (Destination Unreachable)
  - Type 2 (Packet Too Big)
  - Type 3 (Time Exceeded)
  - Type 4 (Parameter Problem)
- Informational messages
  - Provide diagnostic function, MLD, and ND
  - Type 128 (Echo Request)
  - Type 129 (Echo Reply)



# Error Message

## (Destination Unreachable)

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- Sent by router or destination host
  - Type Value = 1
  - Code 0 (No route to destination)
  - Code 1 (Communication with destination prohibited)
  - Code 2 (Not Assigned)
  - Code 3 (Address unreachable)
  - Code 4 (Port unreachable)

Type [8] = 1	Code [8]	Checksum [16]
Unused [32]		
Offending Packet [N*32]		



# Error message (Packet Too Big)

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- Sent when link MTU is smaller than the size of packet
- Used for IPv6 **Path MTU** Discovery process
  - Type Value=2
  - Code 0

Type [8] = 2	Code [8] = 0	Checksum [16]
MTU [32]		
Offending Packet [N*32]		



# Error message (Time Exceeded)

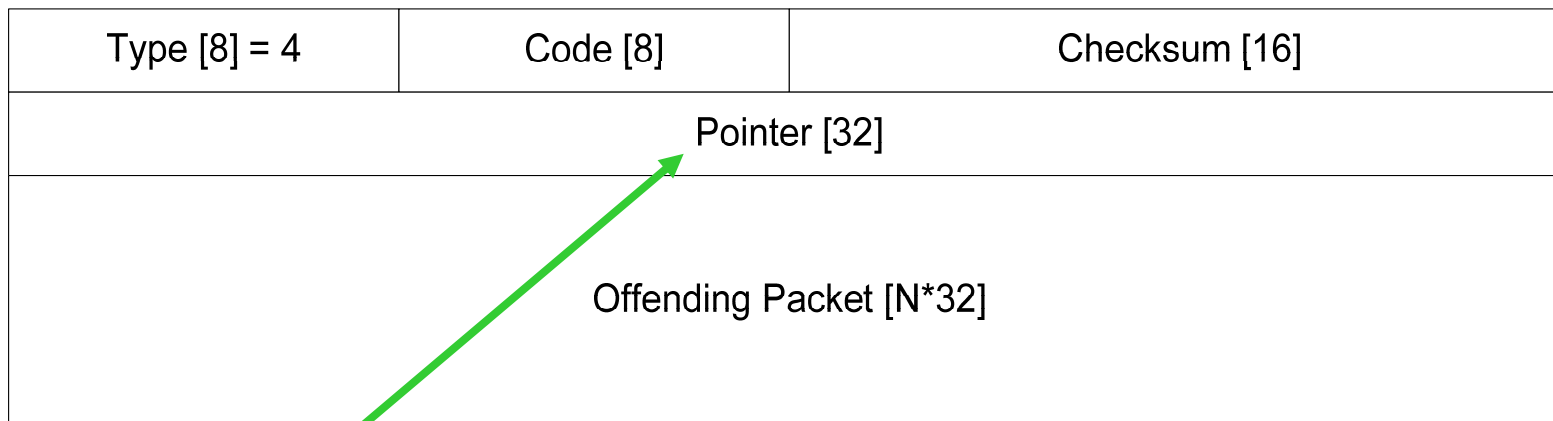
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- Sent by router when Hop limit field is zero
  - Type Value=3
  - Code 0
    - Hop limit= 0
    - Hop limit of outgoing packets is not large enough to reach destination, or routing loop exist
  - Code 1
    - fragmentation reassembly time of destination host is exceeded

Type [8] = 3	Code [8]	Checksum [16]
Unused [32]		
Offending Packet [N*32]		

# Error message (Parameter Problem)

- Sent by router or destination host when errors of IPv6 header or extension header
  - Type Value=4
  - Code 0 (Erroneous header field)
  - Code 1 (Unrecognized Next Header type)
  - Code 2 (Unrecognized IPv6 Option)



以Byte為單位，從IP Header標頭起始開始計算





# Informational message

- Echo Request message

Type [8] = 128	Code [8] = 0	Checksum [16]
Identifier [16]		Sequence Number [16]
Data [N*32]		

- Echo Reply message

Type [8] = 129	Code [8] = 0	Checksum [16]
Identifier [16]		Sequence Number [16]
Data [N*32]		

- Identifier and Sequence Number are send by host and used to match incoming Echo Reply with corresponding Echo Request(same as IPv4)
- Multicast Listener Query messages:
  - Query, Report, done (like **IGMP** for IPv4)
  - Does not include in this presentation



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# Neighbor Discovery (ND) Process

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Reference RFC 2461

- Router discovery
  - Discover the local hosts on an attached link
  - Equivalent to ICMPv4 Router Discovery
- Prefix discovery
  - Discover the network prefix
  - Equivalent to ICMPv4 Address Mask Request/Reply
- Parameter discovery
  - Discover additional parameter(ex: link MTU, default hop limit for outgoing packet)
- Address auto-configuration
  - Configure IP address for interfaces
- Address resolution
  - Equivalent to ARP in IPv4



## IPv6 ND Process (cont.)

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- Next-hop Determination
  - Destination address, or
  - Address of an on-link default router
- Neighbor Unreachable Detection (NUD)
- Duplicate Address Detection (DAD)
  - Determine that an address considered for use is not already in use by a neighboring node
- First-hop Redirect Function
  - Inform a host of a better first-hop IPv6 address to reach a destination
  - Equivalent to ICMPv4 Redirect

# ND Message Format

- 5 ND messages:
  - Type 133 Code 0 (Router Solicitation)
  - Type 134 Code 0 (Router Advertisement)
  - Type 135 Code 0 (Neighbor Solicitation)
  - Type 136 Code 0 (Neighbor Advertisement)
  - Type 137 Code 0 (Redirect)
- All ND message are send with hop limit= 255
  - If it is **not** set to 255, the message is **silently discarded**
  - Provide protection from ND-based network attacks launched from off-link nodes
  - Router can not have forwarded the ND message from an off-link node






# Neighbor Discovery Options

- Source/Target link-layer address option
  - Source link-layer address
    - Indicate the link-layer address of the ND sender
    - Included in Neighbor Solicitation, Router Solicitation, and Router Advertisement
    - Type = 1
  - Target link-layer address
    - Indicate the link-layer address of the neighbor node
    - Included in Neighbor Advertisement and Redirect
    - Type = 2
  - Example for Ethernet

Type [8]	Length [8] = 1	
Ethernet MAC Address [48]		

# Neighbor Discovery Options(cont.)

- Prefix information option
  - Indicate both address **prefixes** and **information** about address auto-configuration
  - Included in **Router Advertisement**
  - Can be **multiple** prefix information options in Router Advertisement message
  - Autonomous flag: **stateless** address configuration



Type [8] = 3	Length [8] = 4	Prefix Length [8]	O	A	Reserved
Valid Lifetime [32]					
Preferred Lifetime [32]					
Reserved [32]					
Prefix [128]					



## Neighbor Discovery Options (cont.)

- Redirect header option

Type [8] = 4	Length [8]	Reserved [16]
Portion of redirected packet [Variable]		

- MTU option

Type [8] = 5	Length [8] = 1	Reserved [16]
MTU [32]		



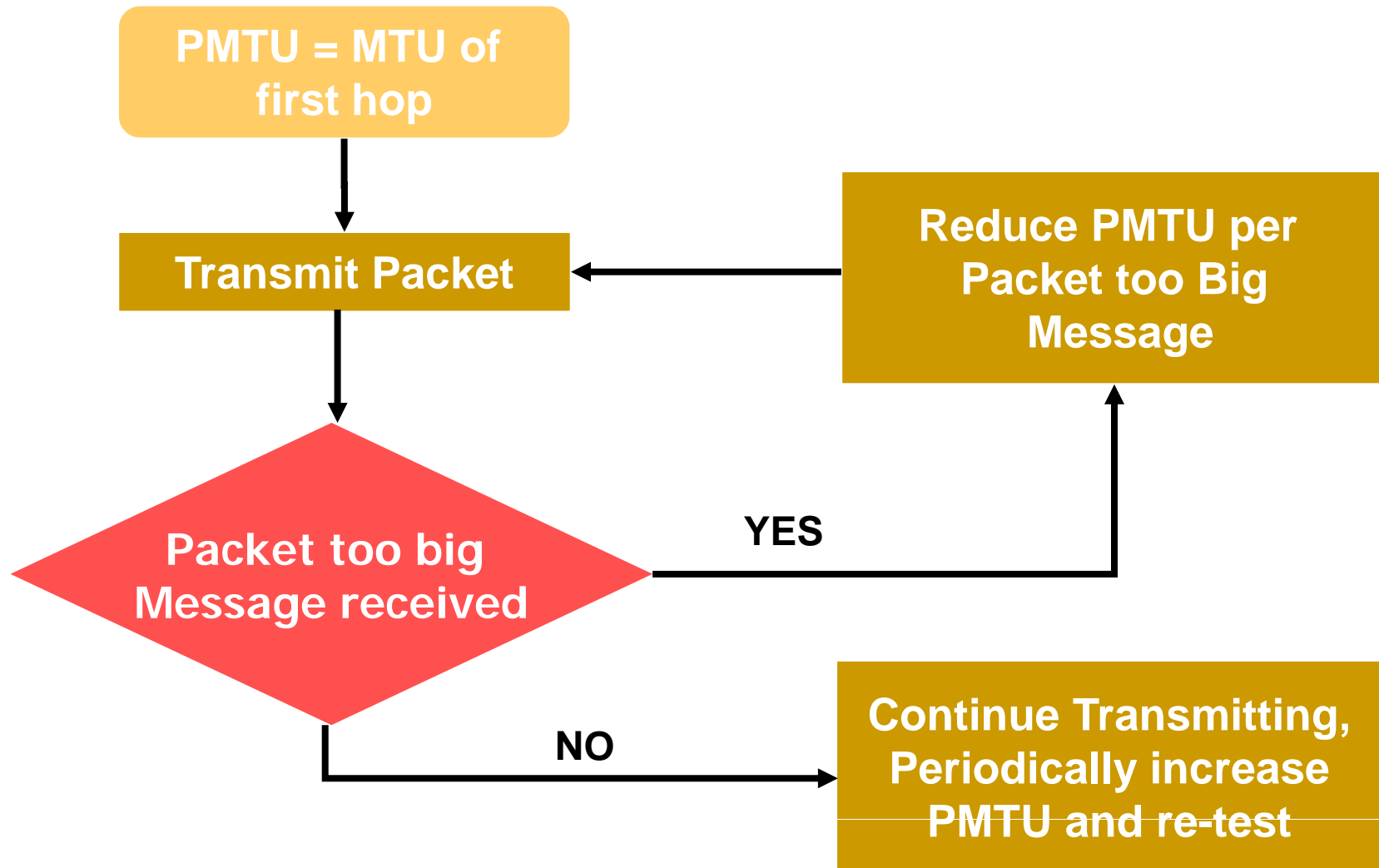


## Path MTU (= Min{ link MTUs })

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- Link MTU
  - A link's **maximum transmission unit** (ex: the max IP packet size that can be transmitted over the link)
- Path MTU
  - The minimum MTU of all the links in a path between a source and a destination
- Minimum link MTU for IPv6 is **1280** octets vs 68 octets for IPv4
- On links with MTU < 1280, link-specific fragmentation and reassembly must be used
- On links that have a configurable MTU, it's recommended a MTU of **1500** bytes

# Path MTU Discovery (RFC 1981)



# MAC Address Resolution (1)

IP Addresses

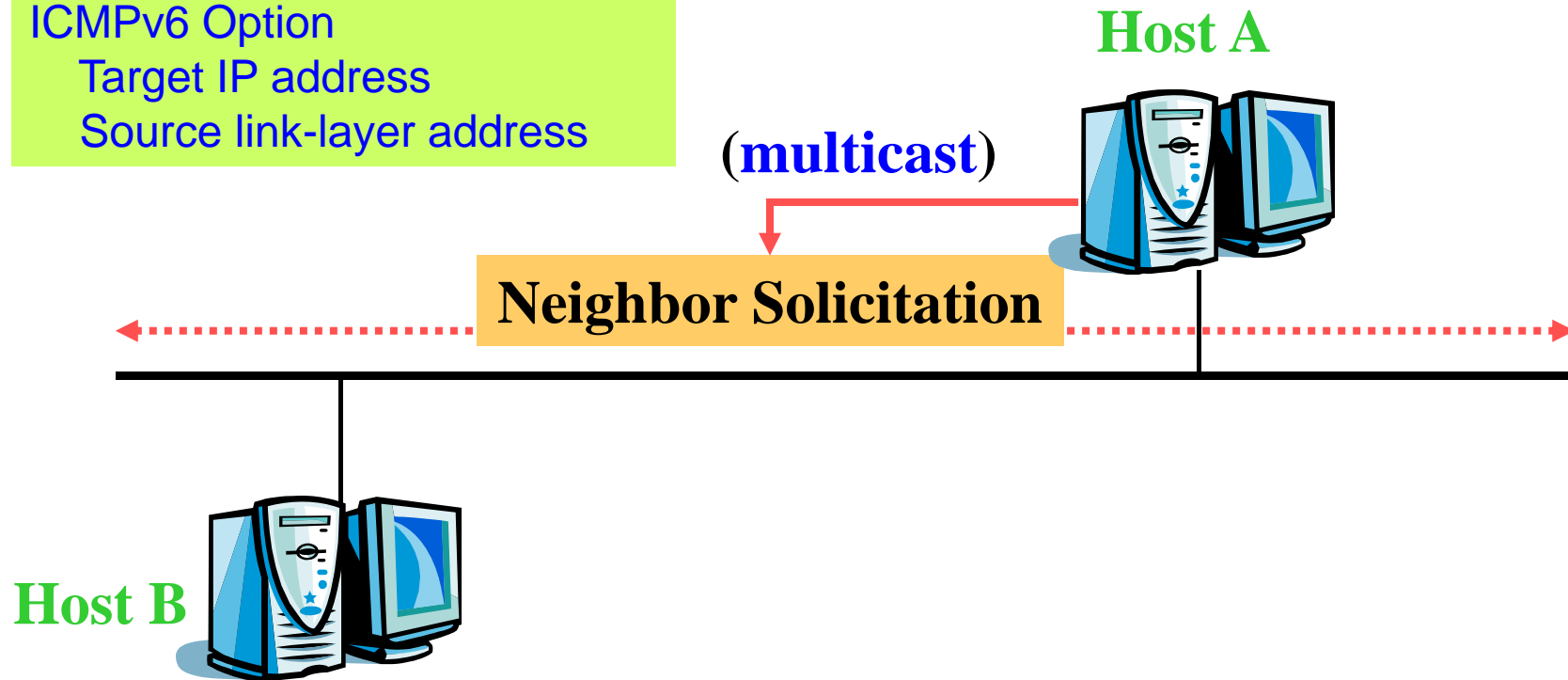
Src = A

Dst = Solicited-node address

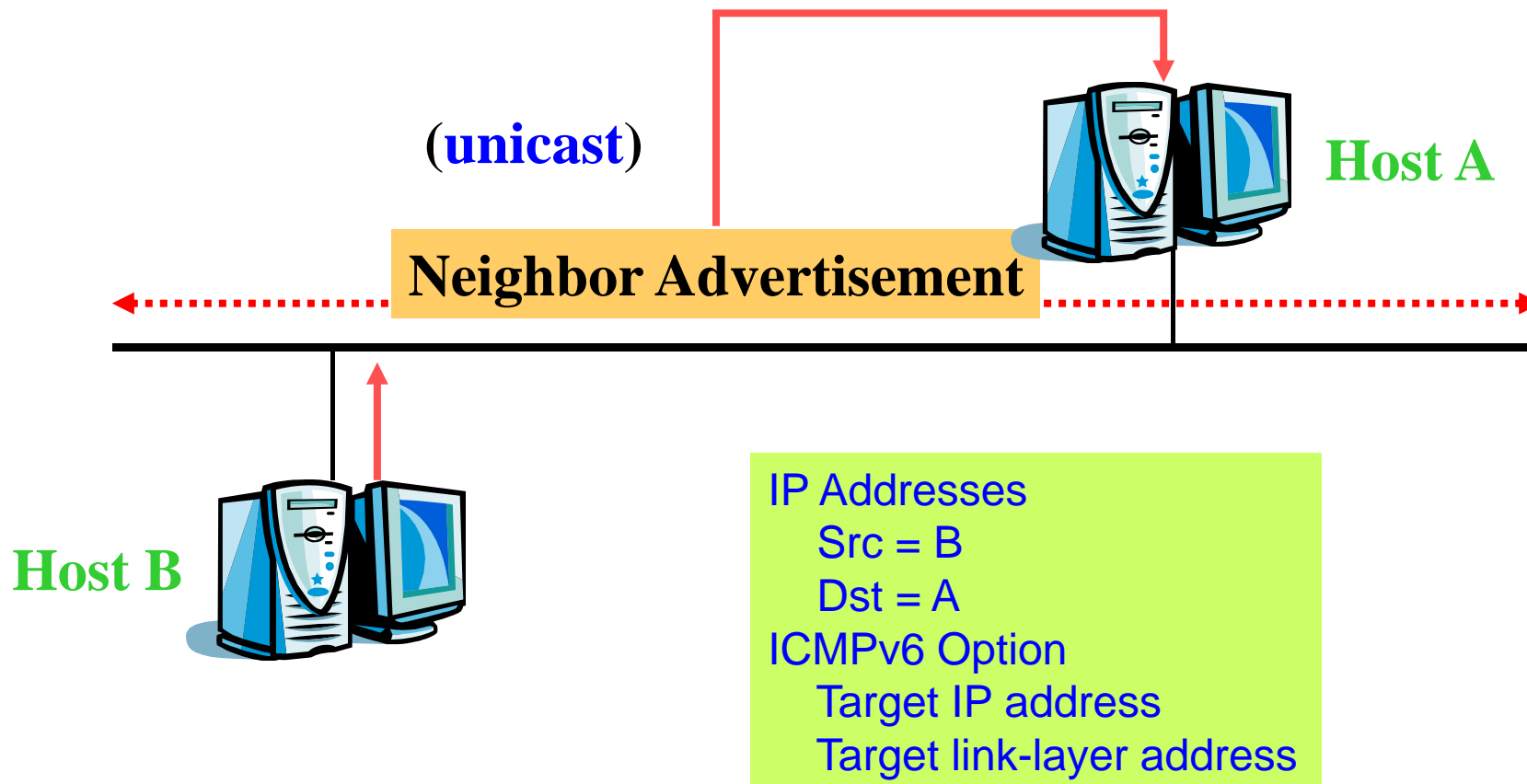
ICMPv6 Option

Target IP address

Source link-layer address



## MAC Address Resolution (2)



# Duplicate Address Detection (1)

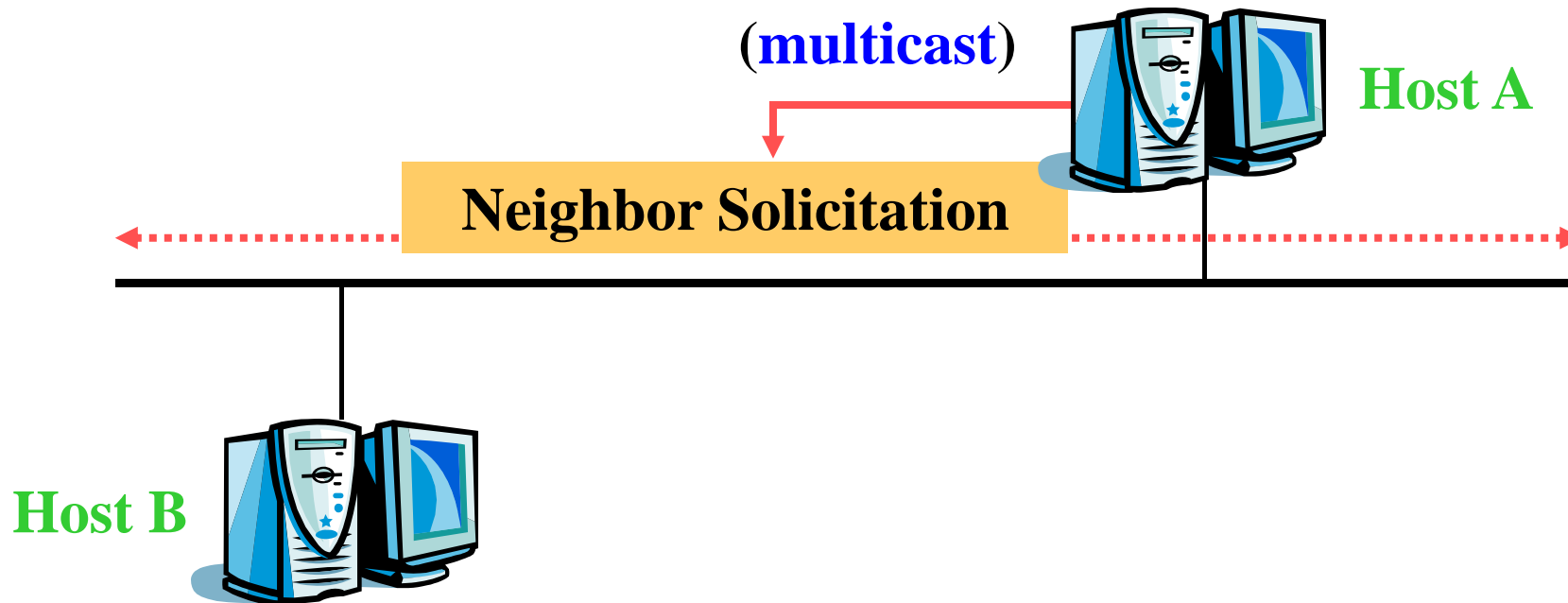
IP Addresses

Src = ::

Dst = Solicited-node address

ICMPv6 Option

Target IP address



# Duplicate Address Detection (2)

IP Addresses

Src = Link-local address of Host B

Dst = Solicited-node address

ICMPv6 Option

Target IP address

**IP FE80::2AA:FF:FE22:2222**

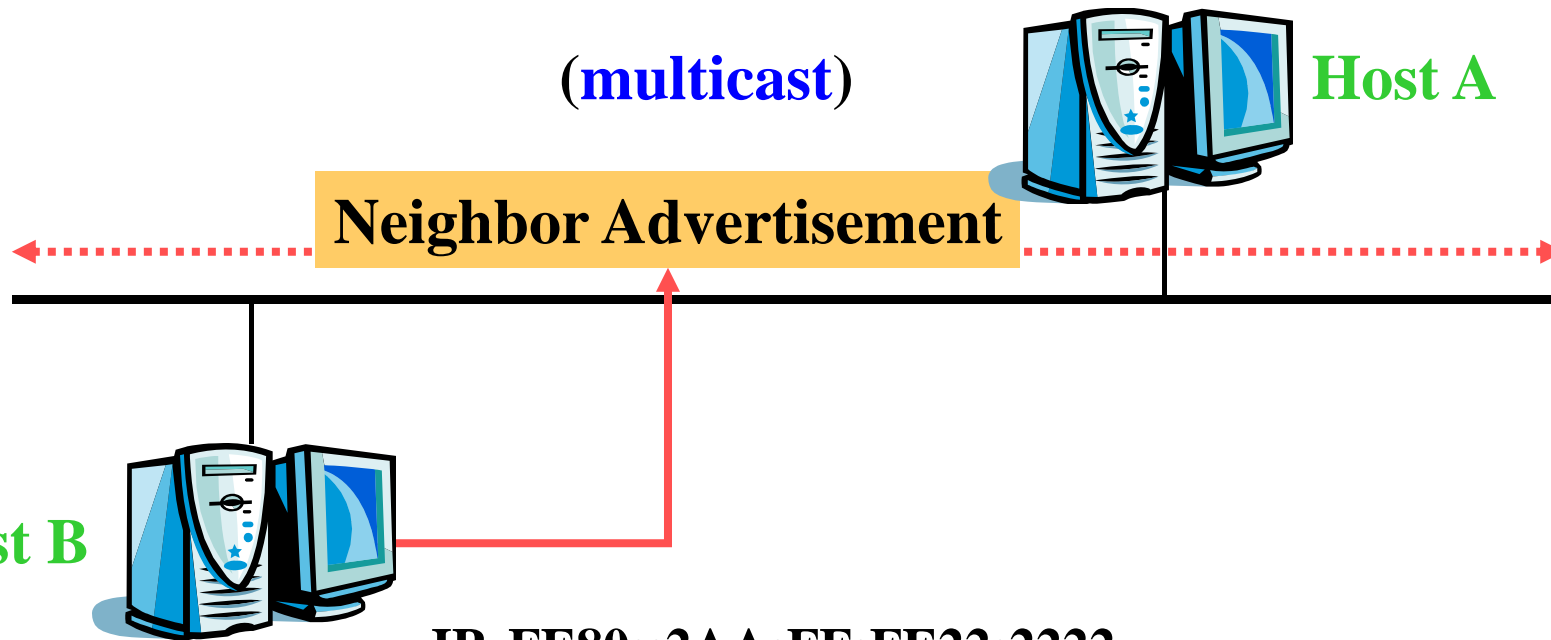
(**multicast**)

**Neighbor Advertisement**

**Host A**

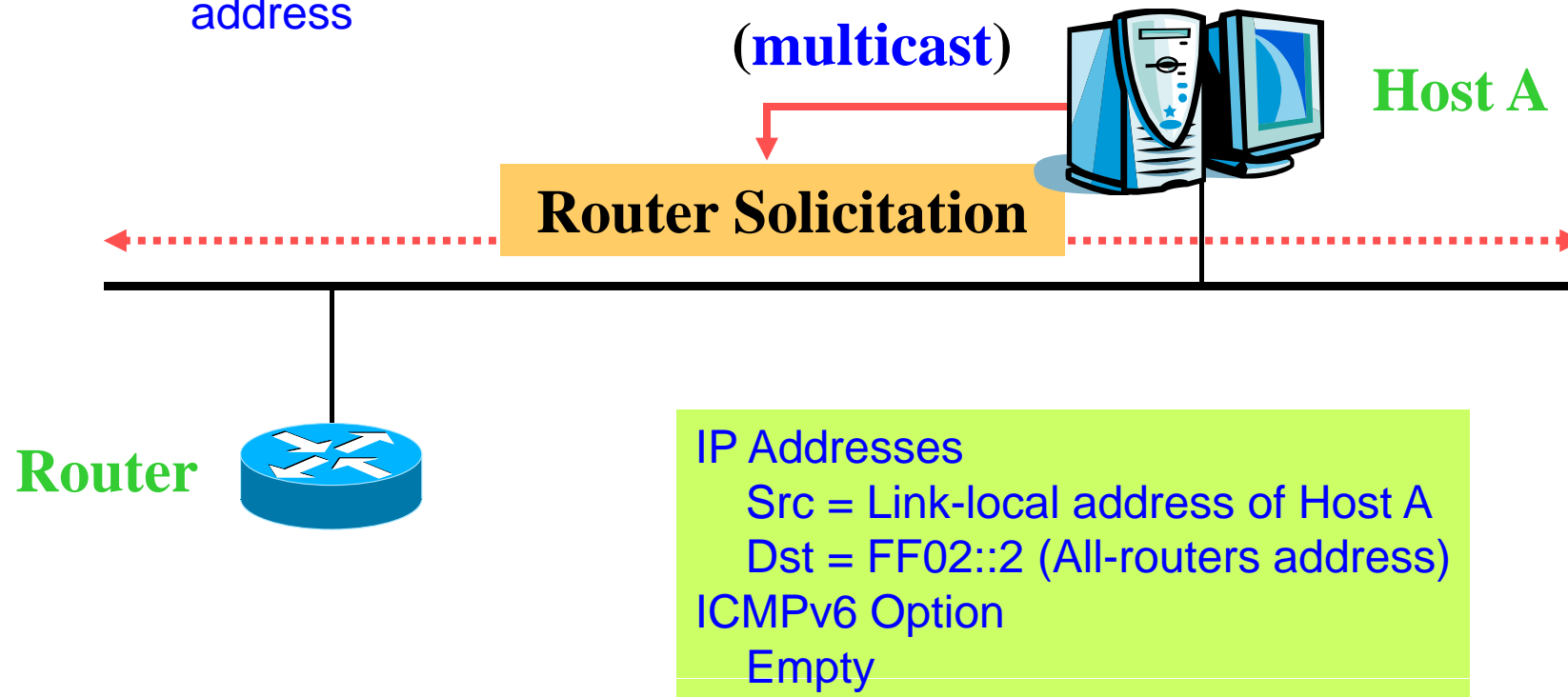
**Host B**

**IP FE80::2AA:FF:FE22:2222**



# Address Auto-configuration (1)

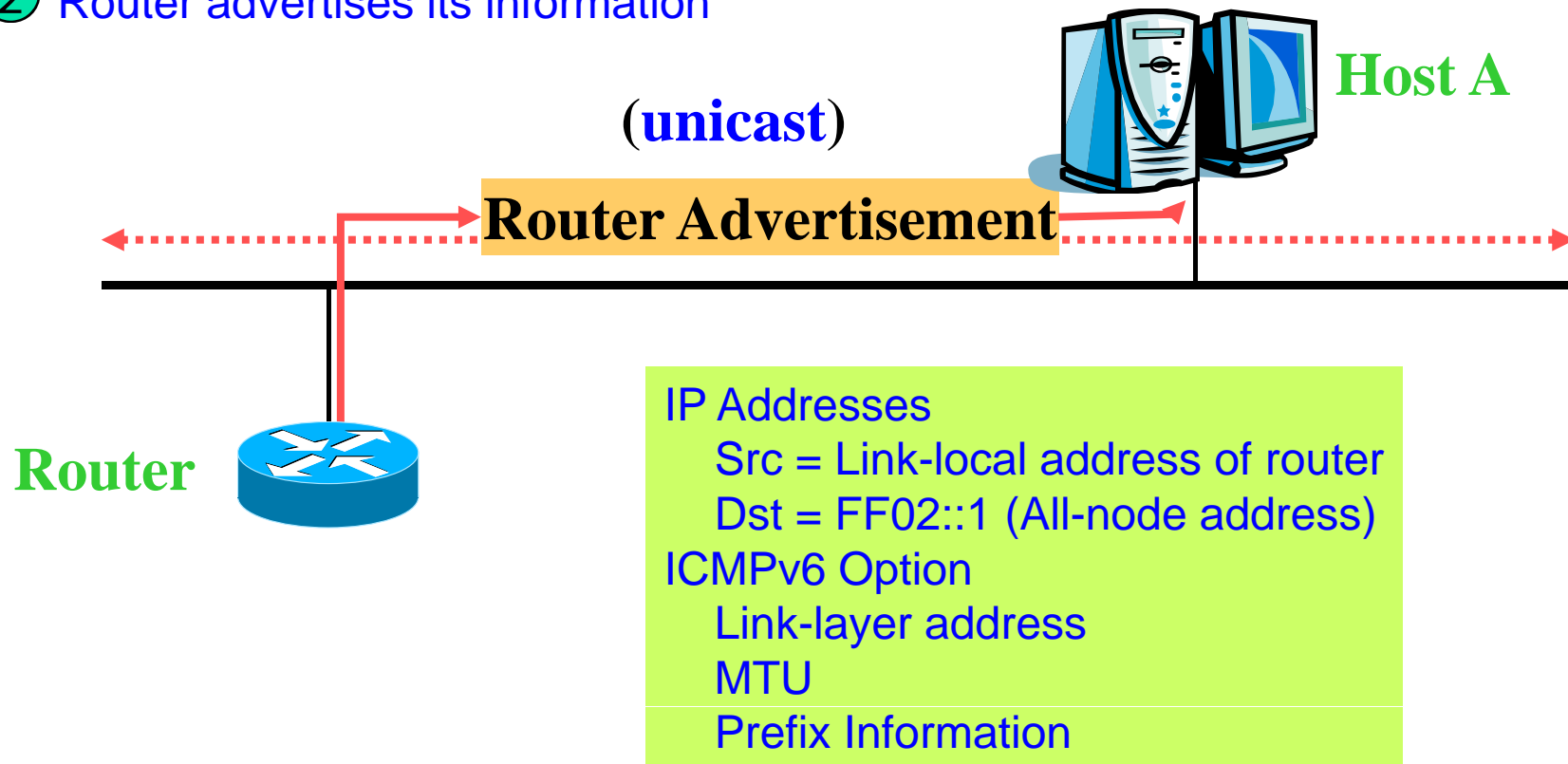
- 1 Host A sends RS to All-routers multicast address



# Address Auto-configuration (2)

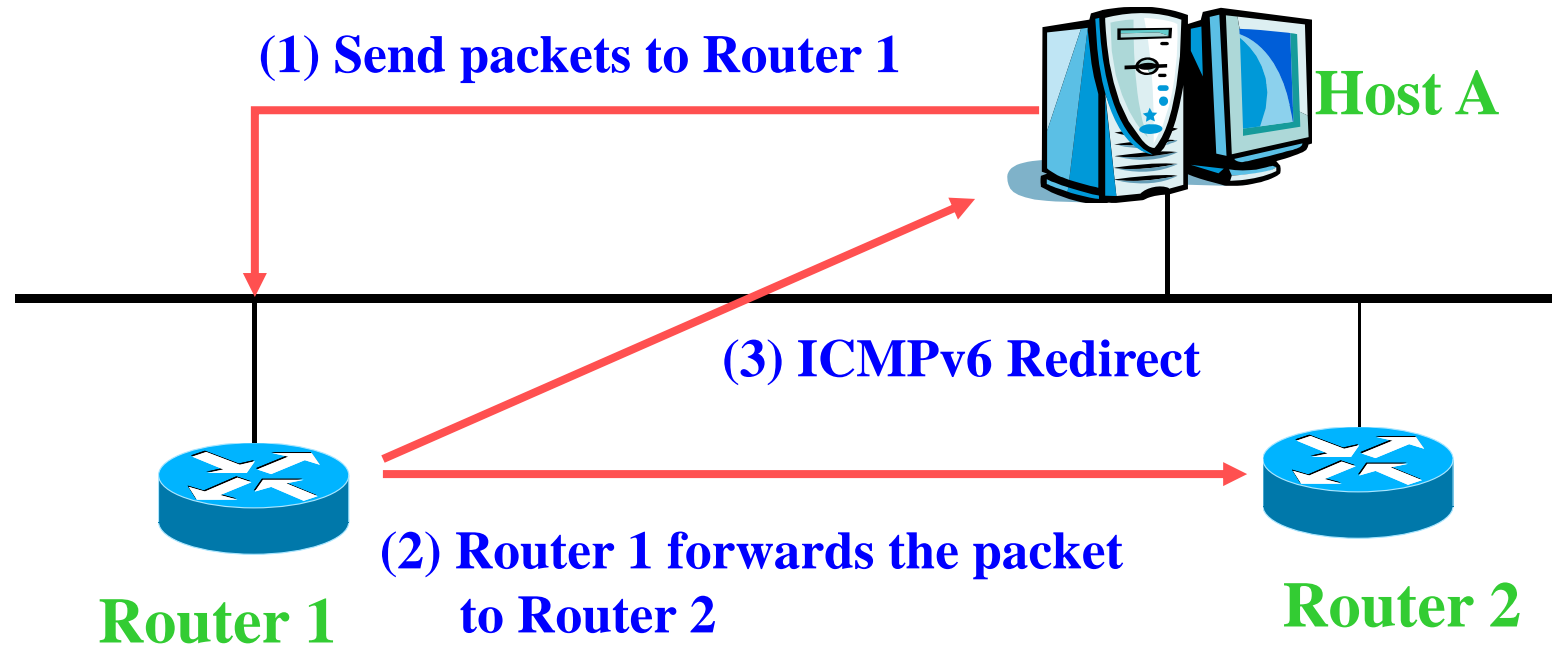
② Router advertises its information

③ Prefix + Interface ID





# Redirect





# Future Topics

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- IPv6 Auto-configuration (IPv6, ICMPv6)
- IPv6 Routing (RIPng, OSPF, BGP4+)
- IPv6 Security (AH and ESP headers, For MIPv6)
- Mobile IPv6 (HMIPv6 and Fast Handover for MIPv6)
- IPv6 Anycast Address
- IPv6 Multihoming
- IPv6 QoS (Traffic Class, Flow Label)

**Thank you!**



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