

DHCPv6 Route Option

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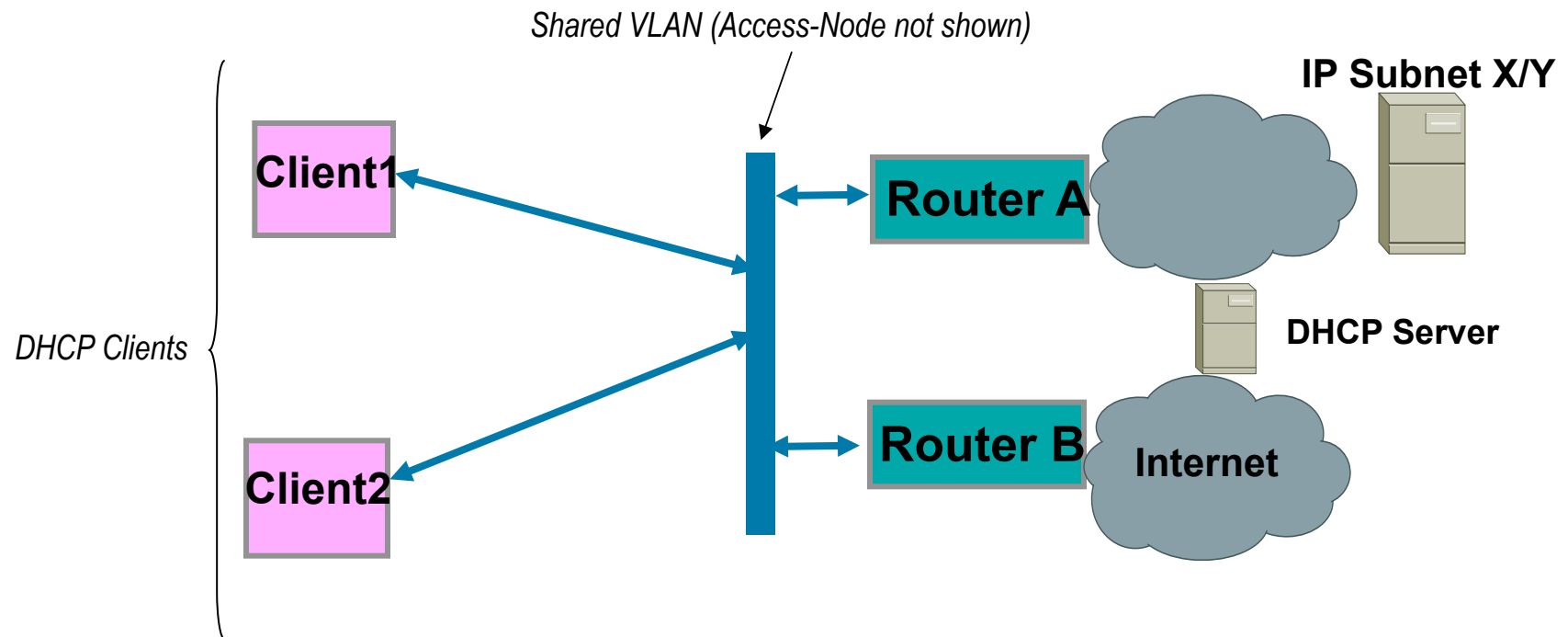
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Main changes from draft 01

- **Clarified the scenarios (hopefully also addressing routing related comments raised)**
- **Pending conclusion of wider discussion, revision does not address comments regarding common RA-DHCP formats, etc.**

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Scenario 1 – Shared VLAN



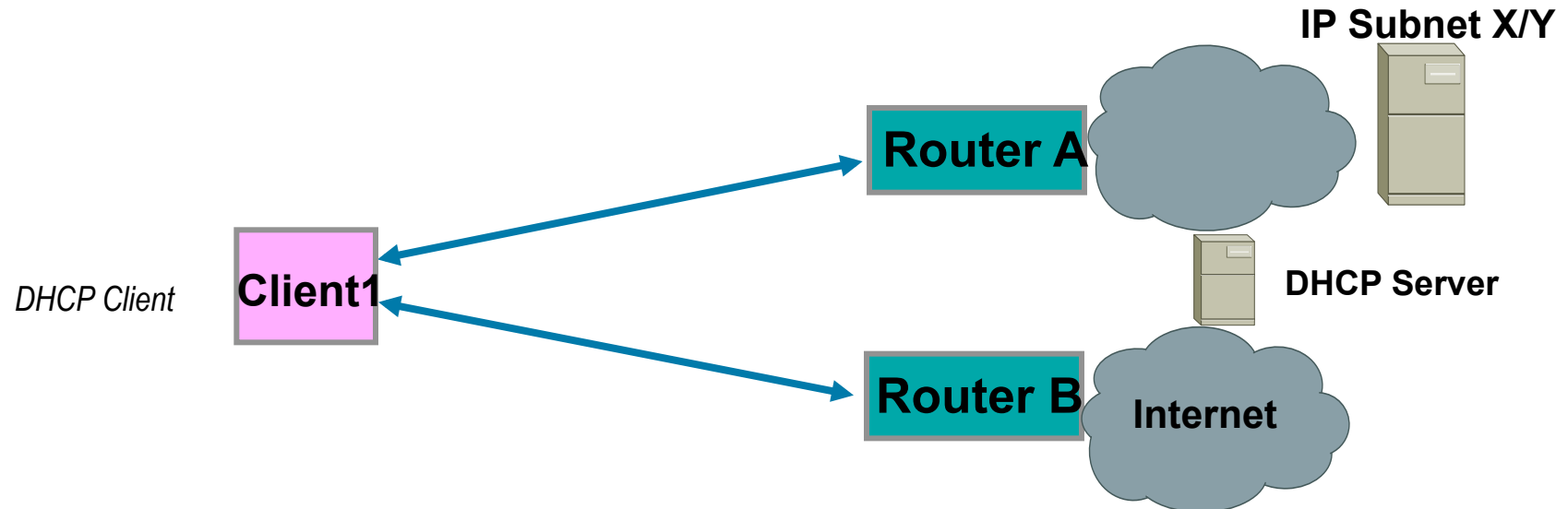
Scenario:

- Single shared VLAN connects both clients
- It's desired that both clients use Router B as their default gateway (0/0)
- It's desired that only Client1 uses Router A as its primary gateway for destination subnet X/Y: A more specific route to X/Y via Rt A is required.
- It's preferred to have client configuration managed via a DHCP server
- Addresses assigned to clients can be using SLAAC, DHCP, etc.

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Scenario 2 – Multi-homed Client

(Access-network not shown)

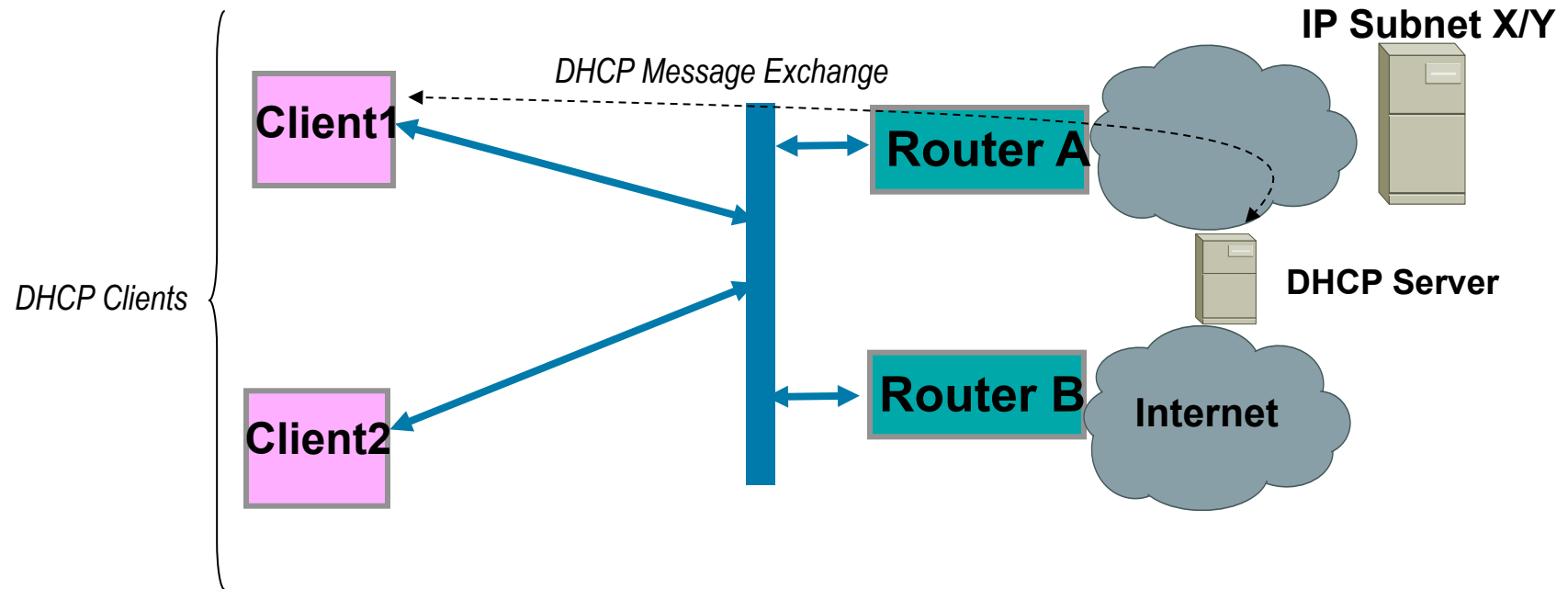


Scenario:

- Dual links (physical or logical) from client1 to Router A and B
- It's desired that client uses Router B as its default gateway (0/0)
- It's desired that Client1 uses Router A as its primary gateway for destination subnet X/Y. More specific route to X/Y is required.
- It's preferred to have client configuration managed from a DHCP server
- Addresses assigned to clients can be using SLAAC, DHCP, etc.

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1. Client Requests DHCPv6 route option using ORO (likely among other options)
2. Server replies with Route Option for Prefix X/Y via Router A.
3. Client installs Route X/Y with Link-Local Next hop (Router A)

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Additional Background

- **IGPs solve the problem but are often not feasible for deployment (eg Broadband DSL)**
 - Simple on-demand configuration is preferred
- **Existing operational practice with IPv4 (DHCPv4 option defined in rfc3442)**
- **ICMPv6 (rfc4191) presents an RA based solution to this problem, however:**
 - Requires operator to provision the edge router (not always possible, eg when router is operated by different organization).
 - Scenario 1 requires all Clients to have the same route
 - Can be an operational issue when DHCPv4 practice is used
 - Does not integrate with centralized management
- **Mechanism is primarily envisaged to be used by broadband RGs acting as DHCP Clients (PD, etc) towards the SP network**

Next Steps

- Authors would appreciate feedback from the WG
 - (Feedback on some inconsistencies in the draft and editorial issues has already been received)