

Wireline: Incremental IPv6 draft-kuarsingh-wireline-incremental-ipv6-00

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Introduction

- Draft-kuarsingh-incremental-ipv6 lays out a phased approach to introducing IPv6 in a Wireline Netowrk
 - Primary audience would be Cable and other Wireline environments
- Intended to help operators whom may be just starting out planning a strategy for IPv6 transition and implementation
- Link to framework document [draft-ietf-v6ops-v4v6tranframework]
- Ver. -00 did not have link to RFC6264 but that was suggested
 - This draft is more specific and sets out a more definitive phase and objectives

Version -00 and Future Version -01

- Current draft -00 is intended to include more information including
 - Operational conditions which may precede, co-exist with and follow each identified phase
 - More information on operational considerations for each phase
 - More information on which technologies where not listed/used and reasoning
 - Overall link to operational environment progress with relation to which technologies are active at each phase.

Topics Covered (and maturing)

- Motivation
- Reasons for Phased approach
 - Relevance of IPv6 and IPv4 in transition
 - IPv4 Resource challenges
 - IPv6 Environment Maturity
 - Impacts to Operators
- Transition Technology Analysis (very basic for novice)
 - Auto Tunneling (background)
 - CGN (NAT44)
 - 6RD
 - Native Dual Sack
 - DS-Lite
 - Not mentioned (NAT64, dIVI, A+P etc) reasoning in next rev

Approach and Rationale

- Introduce IPv6 as soon as possible
 - Use Tunneling if needed due to Customer Prem and/or Access network issues
 - Assist auto tunneling technologies as best as one can (promotes IPv6 use)
 - IPv4 still main service, and aligns with network conditions (tools/mgmt etc)
- Mature to Dual Sack as soon as possible
 - Use CGN if needed on IPv4 (it's deployable)
 - IPv4 path still independent so less impact to tools, procedures and troubleshooting (environment maturing)
- Optimize IPv4 environment
 - Move to tunneled IPv4
- Keep the most traffic off transition technologies!
- Transition techs are "auxiliary paths", "assist paths"
- Relays, translators etc are engineering and management challenges so use them as little as possible
- Use Dual stack phase to move the build of content and services to IPv6

Transition Phases

- Phase 0
 - Foundational Items (routing, policy, security, transition architecture)
 - Will be expanded in rev -01 with far more detail and operational considerations and input
- Phase I (Tunneling)
 - Managed/Assist Auto-Tunneling (6to4, Teredo)
 - Introduce 6RD as early option
 - Most tools on Ipv4, main capabilities (content to be added)
- Phase 2 (Native Dual Stack)
 - Mature IPv6 environment, add in CGN if needed
 - Mature IPv6 tools, capabilities, operational proceeds
- Phase 3 (Tunneled IPv4)
 - IPv6 now mature, services on IPv6 now (for the part)
 - Optimize IPv4 (if resourced challenged or if desired)

Next Steps

Interest and/or value in such a document?

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