SRv6 User Plane in Mobile Core

A Smooth Migration of Mobile Core User Plane from GTP to SRv6

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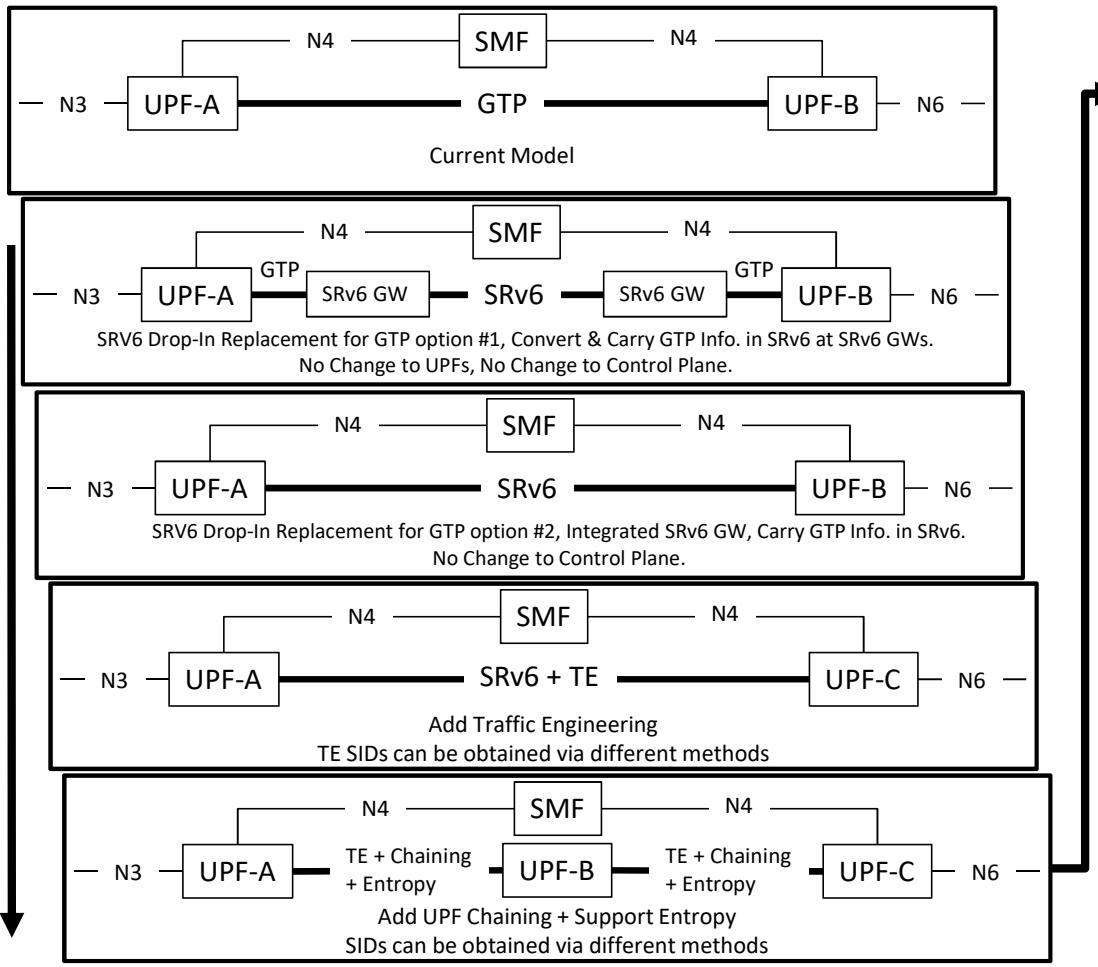

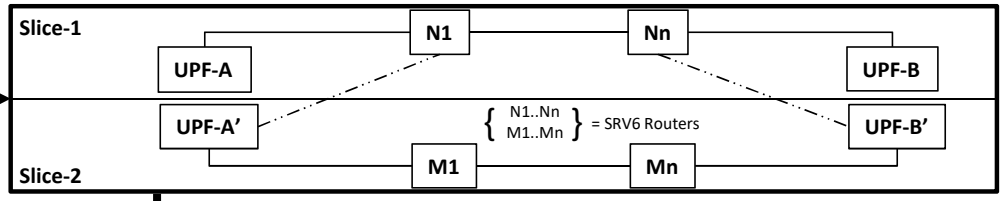

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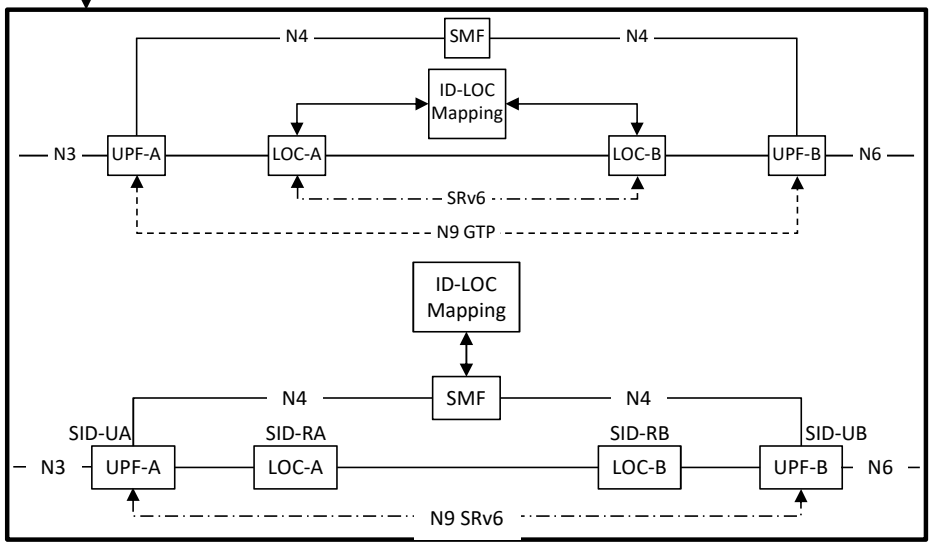

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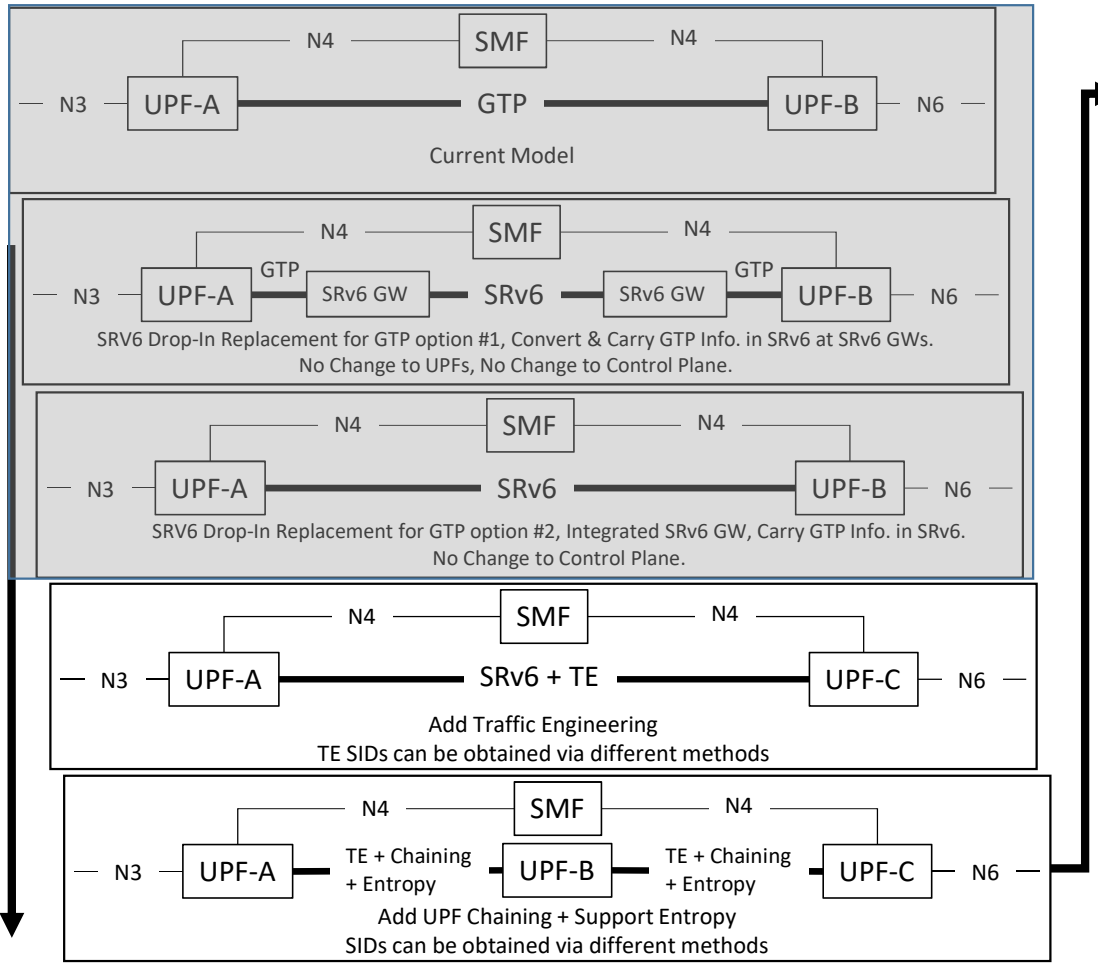
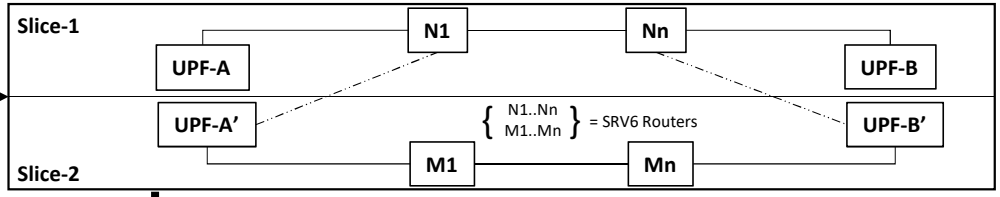
Phase 1: Drop in SRv6 to Replace GTP-U Between UPFs Without Changing 3GPP Control Plane





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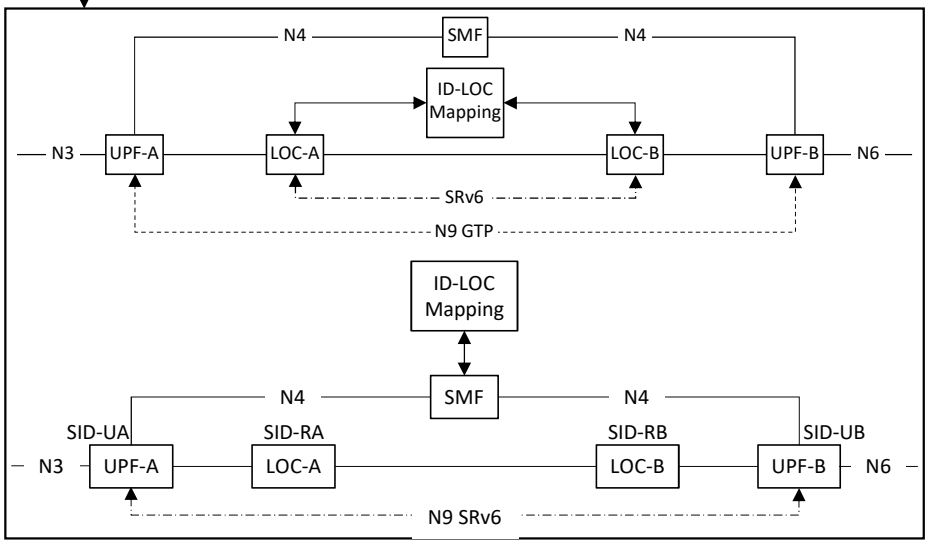

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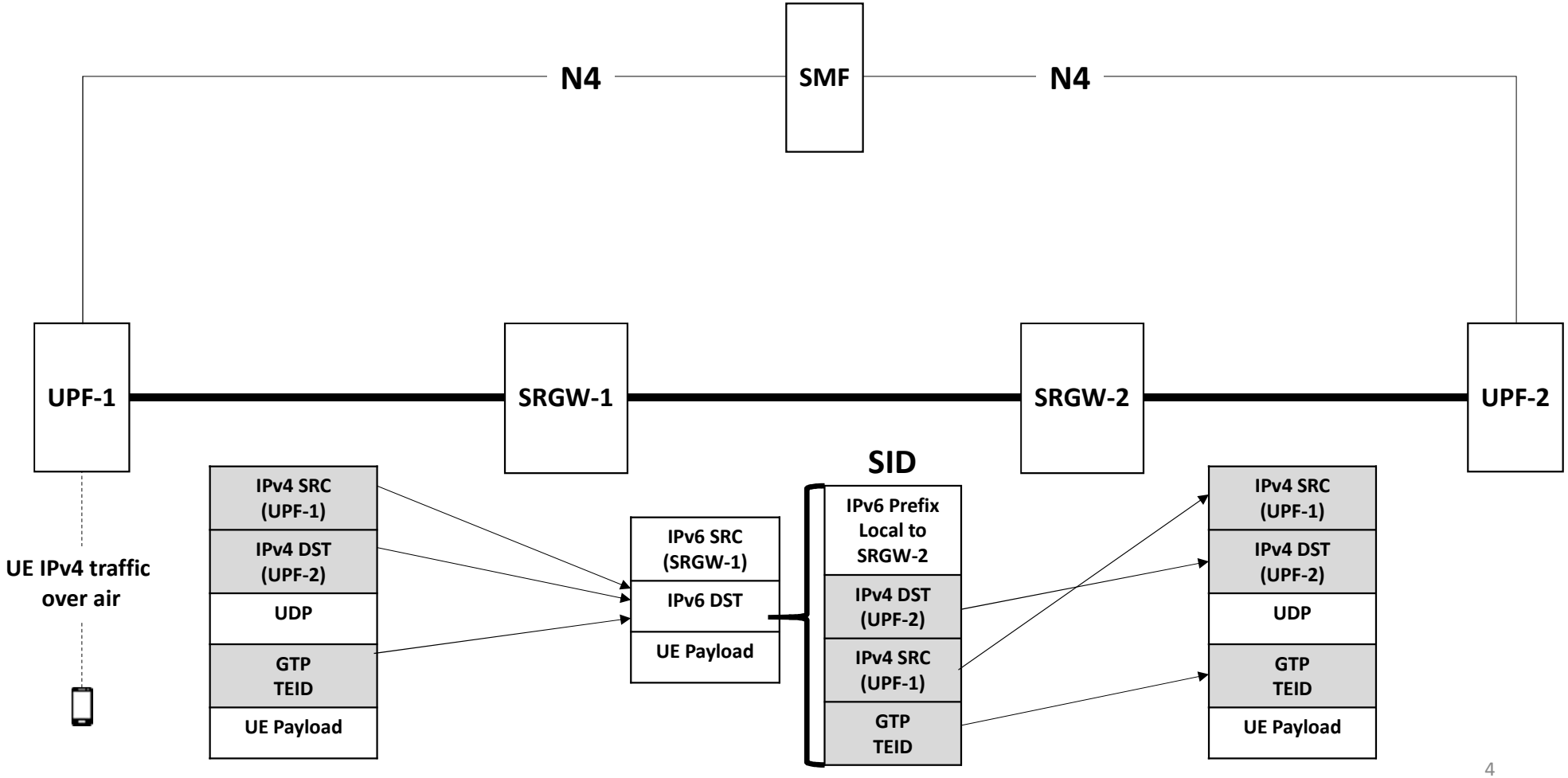

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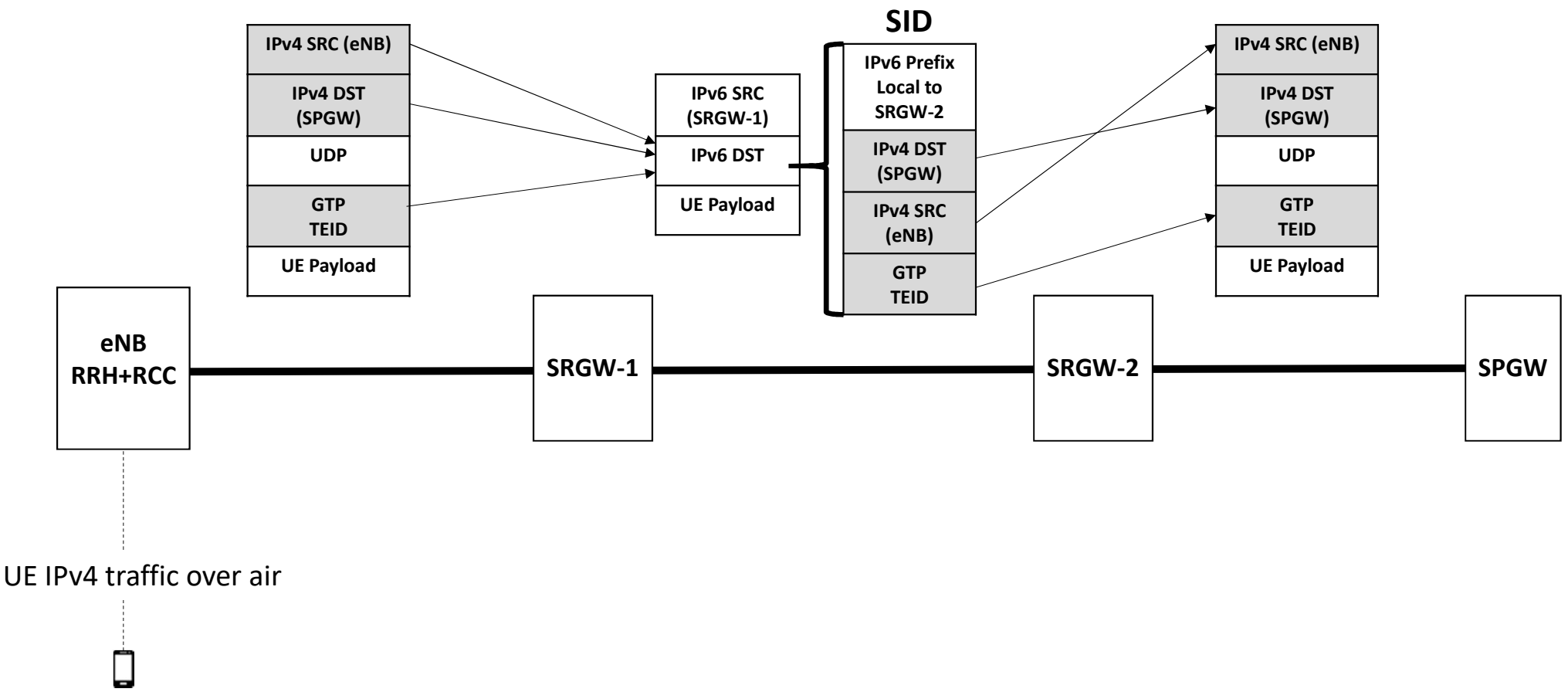
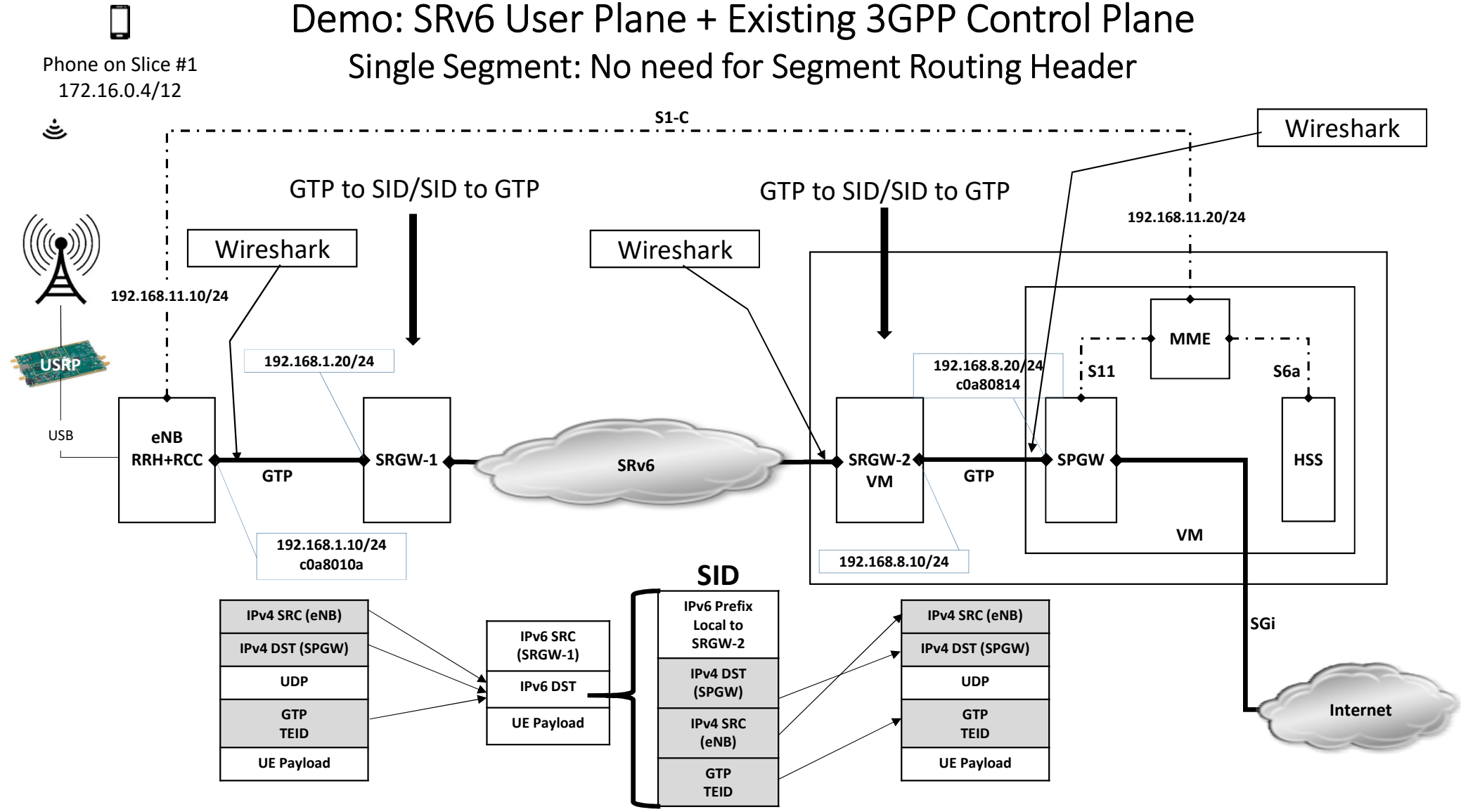


Demo: SRv6 User Plane + Existing 3GPP Control Plane

Single Segment: No need for Segment Routing Header



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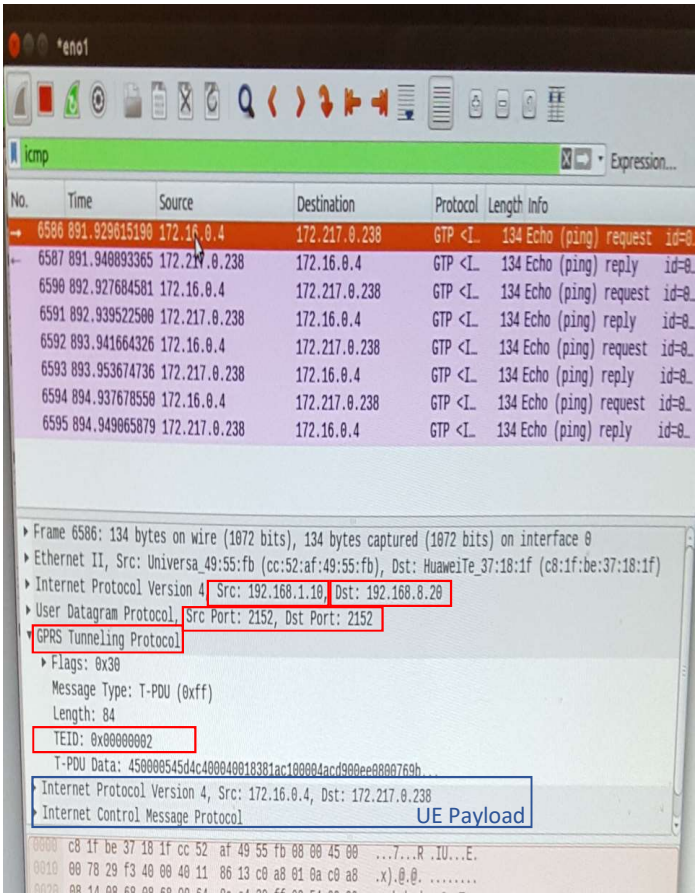

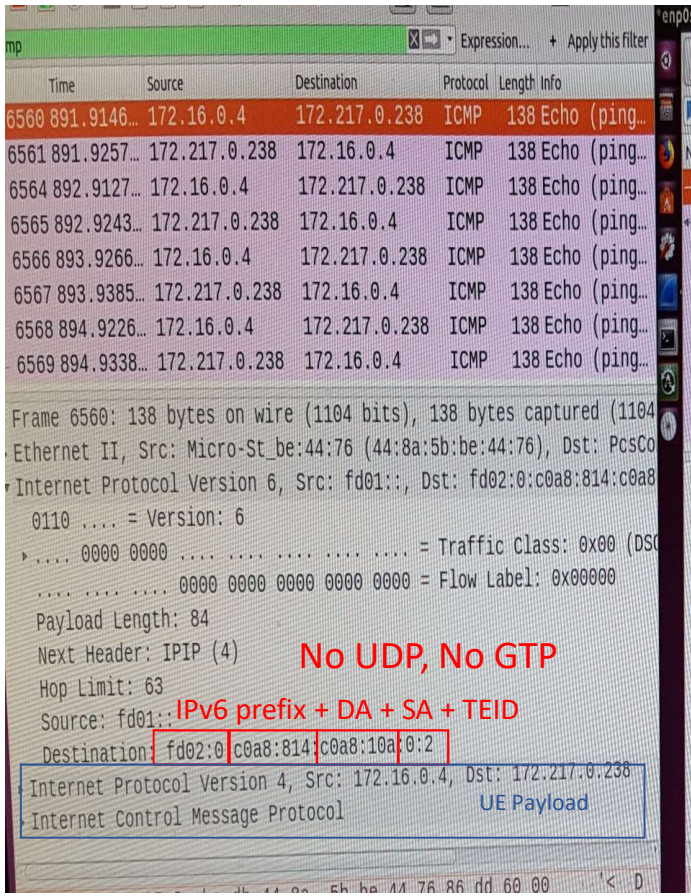

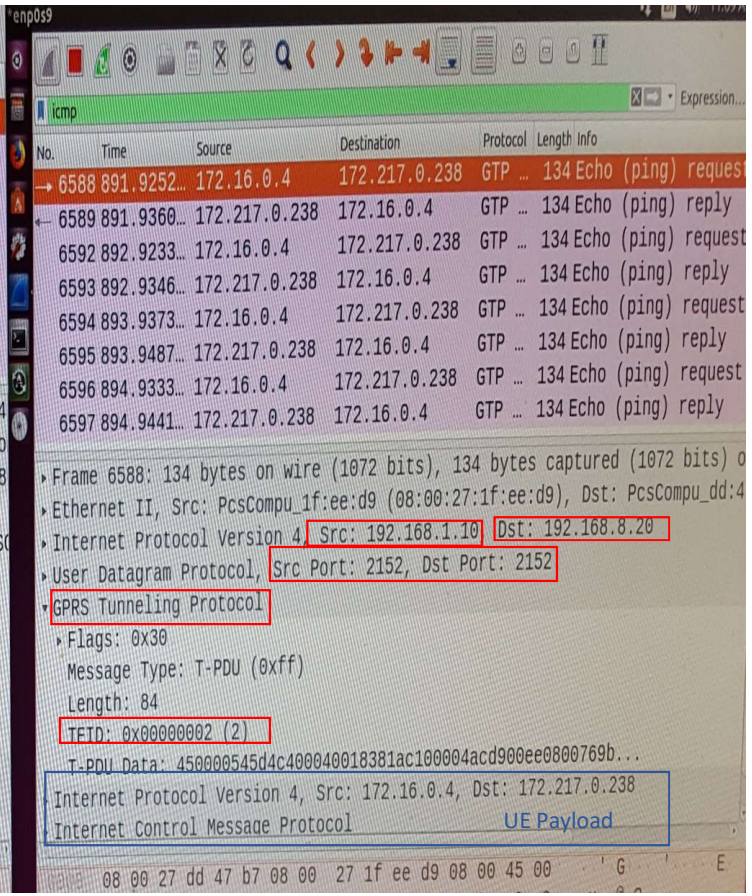

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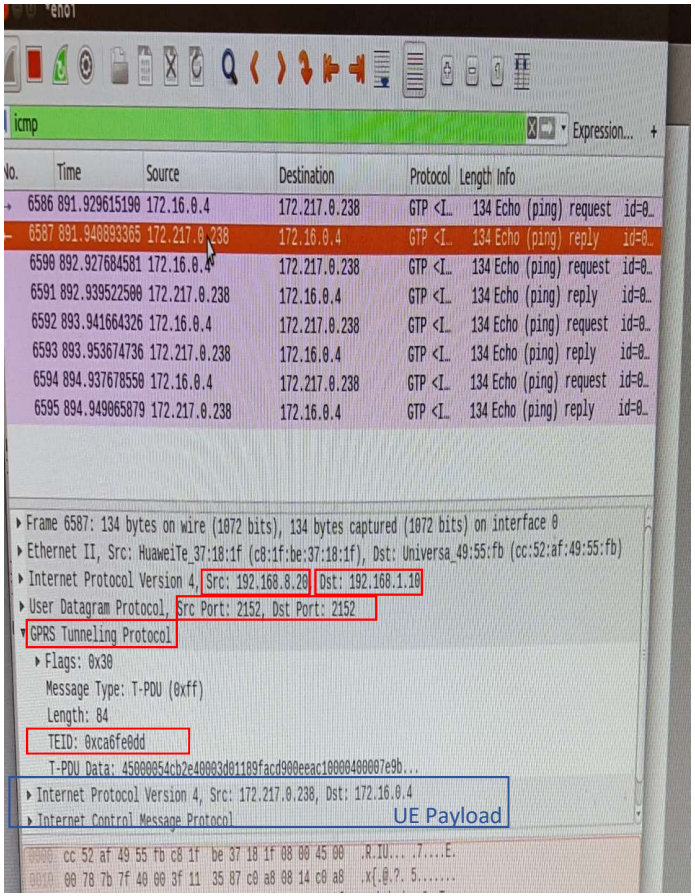

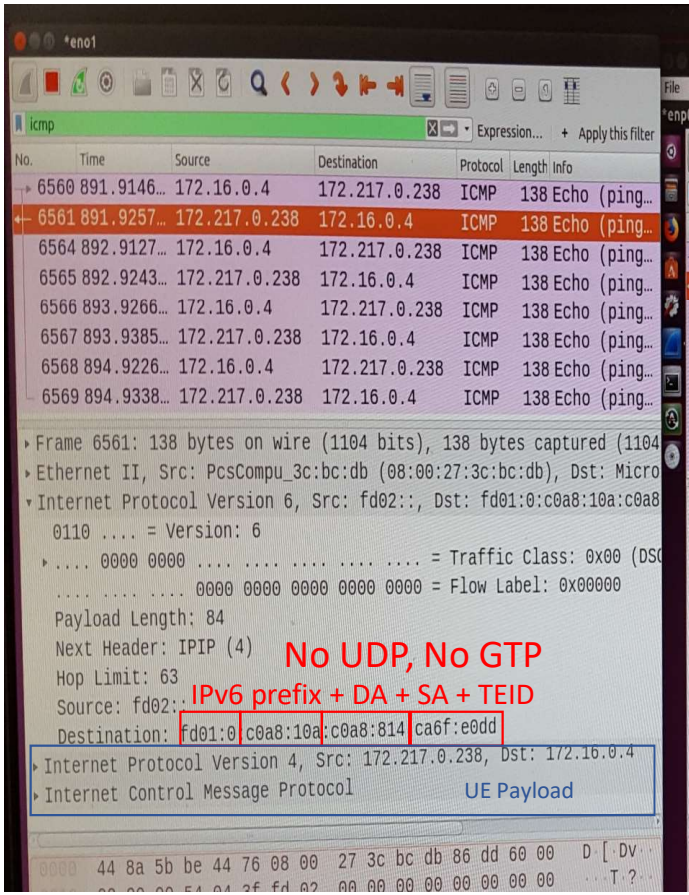

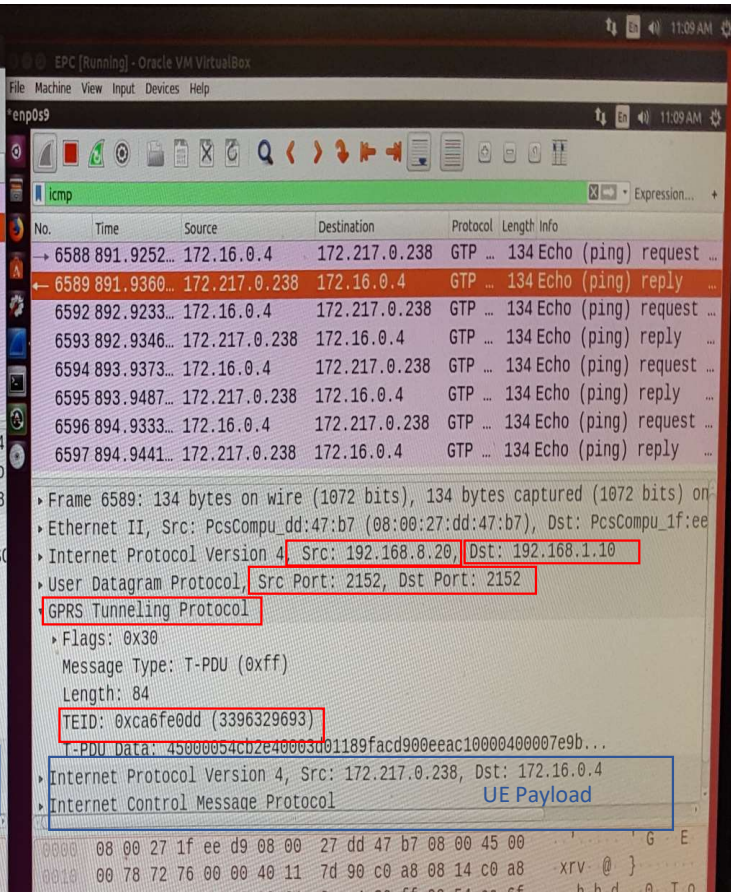

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