DHCPv4 over DHCPv6 Source Address Option

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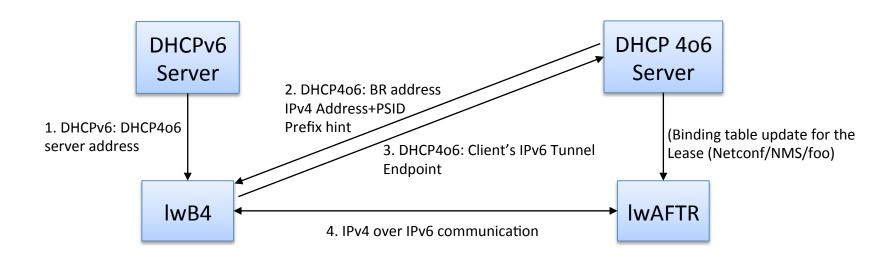
Motivation

- Deterministic 4over6 mechanisms require coupling IPv4 and IPv6 addresses
 - A Softwire has to be sourced from a specific IPv6 address
 - Addresses are pre-allocated (blocked out) for clients
 - Results are address wastage and lack of flexibility
- This proposal allows the client to signal its v6 binding source address to server using DHCPv4 over DHCPv6 (RFC7341) and Dynamic Allocation of Shared IPv4 Addresses (RFC7618)
 - The DHCPv4o6 then holds all of the client's binding information so this can be used to provision lwAFTRs
- The final standards track draft needed for the architecture described in draft-liu-softwire-lw4over6-dynamic-provisioning
 - Enables the dynamic set up of softwires v4/v6 bindings
 - More efficient v4 usage (pools only need to be big enough for active clients)
 - Flexible source v6 address choice
 - Any routable v6 address is OK

History

- The draft has been worked on in Softwire for some time
- But all of the described functions need to be implemented in the DHCPv4 over DHCPv6 client and server
- DHCPv4 over DHCPv6 (RFC7341) and Dynamic Allocation of Shared IPv4 Addresses (RFC7618) were worked on in DHC
- So (hopefully) DHC is the right place for it!

Dynamic Provisioning Overview



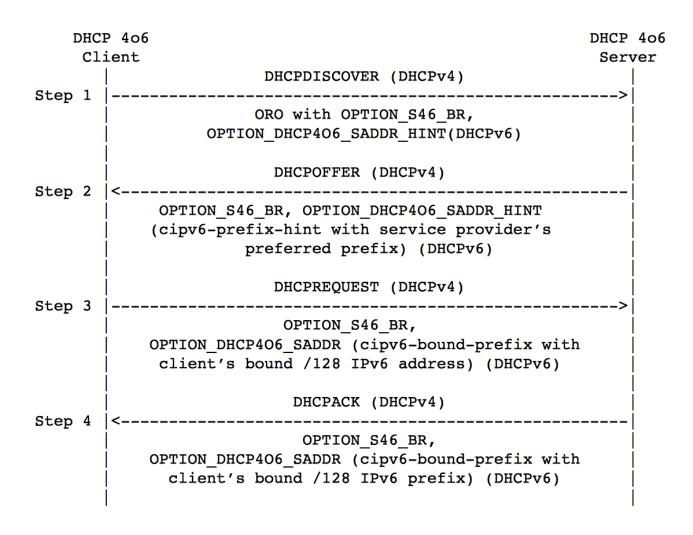
 (2&3) are carried by the new source address options within the normal DHCP4o6 message flow (two arrows shown, but normal DHCP4o6 4 messages)

Two New DHCP4o6 Options Defined

 DHCPv4 over DHCPv6 Source Address Hint Option (guides the client to select the best prefix to construct the softwire from)

 DHCPv4o6 Source Address Option (informs the server of the /128 softwire source address that the client will use)

Dynamic Provisioning Overview



Implementation Experience

- Currently implementing this in
- DHCP4o6 OpenWRT Client (alongside RFC7341(done) and RFC7618)
- Kea DHCP4o6 Server
- Implementation not completed yet, but a race condition in the message flow (requesting DHCPv4o6 configuration before a suitable prefix is configured on the client)
- Draft will be updated with this and any additional findings as the implementation proceeds

Next Steps

- Please review / comment
- Move the draft to DHC?
- Call for adoption?

Thank you!

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