Identifier Locator Addressing ILA

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Goal

Provide seamless mobility for multiple use cases using highly efficient identifier/locator techniques

Use cases

- Mobility
- Data center virtualization
- Network virtualization (multi-tenant)

Converged network (all three of above)

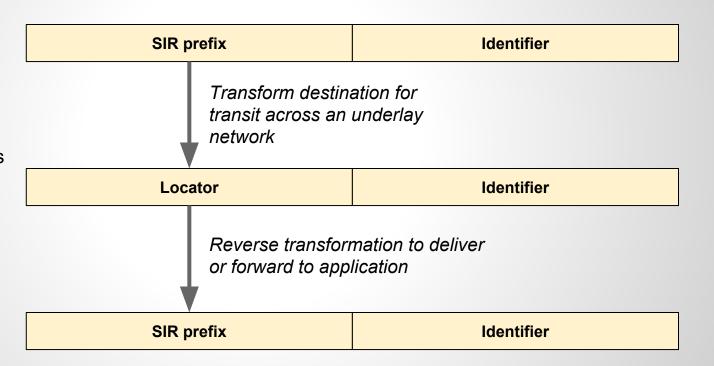
Problems

Problem	Applicable Use cases
Encapsulation is perf. and overhead hit	General problem
Tunneling considerations	General problem
Identity tied to location	General problem
Support for "alternate" protocols	Mostly virtualization
Privacy in addressing	Public network problem
Mobile anchor points	Mobile
Low latency application (AR/VR) support	Mobile

Addressing and transformations

Standard Identifier Representation (SIR). Address visible to apps

Locator address. Routes packets to physical location of logical node



Salient properties of ILA

- Identifier/locator split
- Performs address transformation (not NAT)
- No wire overhead (no encap or EH)
- Contained within network layer
- Transparent to the endpoints and network

Scope

Data plane

- Process of transformation
- Checksum neutral
- Address encodings

Control plane

- Mapping system (identifier to locator mappings)
- Manage by standalone protocols
- Leverage existing 3GPP control plane

Limitations

- ILA is IPv6 only
- ILA is not extensible
- Complexity of data plane vs. control plane
- Does not naturally support multicast
- ICMP error handling needs consideration

Considerations

- Scalability
- Security
- Privacy
- DOSability

Scalability aspects

- Number of mappings in the system
- Rate of update to mappings
- Throughput dataplane
- Managing state in a mapping system
- Mapping caches

Security aspects

- Mapping system contains sensitive PII
 - Identity: IP address to device (user for personal dev)
 - Geo-location: of device and hence possibly user
- Mapping system needs to be secure
 - Secure control protocols
 - Limit visibility of data (no global mapping system)
 - Law enforcement considerations
- Interdomain solutions

Privacy aspects

- Privacy in addressing
 - Privacy issue with prefix assignment (draft-herbert-prefix-address-privacy)
 - Privacy vs. scalability
- Locator privacy
 - Location likely implies location
 - Third parties can't see such locators

DOSability

- Mapping cache
 - Potential target
 - Cache driven by a third party
 - Need quantitative explanation for an DOS mitigation

Virtualization use case

- Datacenter virtualization
 - Every task gets is own IP address
 - Eventually everything gets address
 - Everything is mobile or location independent
 - Performance is critical
- Network virtualization
 - Like datacenter virtualization
 - Tenant isolation
 - Common services (with resorting to NAT)

Thank you!

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