

IPv6 Site Renumbering Gap Analysis

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What was achieved in last meeting

The structure of gap analysis :

- **Prefix delegation**: automatic, accurate in aggregation and coordination
- **Address configuration**: automatically achieved through standard protocols, with minimum human intervene.
- **Address relevant entries update**: processed integrally, error-prevented.
- **Management**: managing the renumbering events

What we want to achieve in this meeting

- Try to make consensus on several basic topics (were discussed in the mail list)
- Differentiating the gaps (out of scope and unsolvable gaps be put into the Annex)
- More discussion on some gaps

Call for consensus-General Goals

- Promoting renumbering **automation** to avoid human intervention as much as possible at reasonable cost
- We considered the “make before break” approach in RFC4192 is sufficient for most of the cases for **session survivability**
[Open Question] Consider long-live sessions?
- Promoting Unplanned **immediate** renumbering (starting renum on demand without too much preparation)

Gaps moved to the Annex

- RA prefix lifetime limitation (in some situations, it is impossible to reduce a prefix's lifetime less than two hours)
- DNS data structure optimization (e.g. A6)
- DNS Authority (maintaining RRs out of administrative control)
- Multicast & Mobility issues

Address Configuration

--Host address configuration

Exclude “DHCP/SLAAC Conflict” gap

- Both DHCP/SLAAC available
- DHCP/SLAAC advertise different prefixes
- It is more proper to assume it as a normal case of “multiple-addresses per interface” rather than “conflict”

But there are still standard gaps

- How the DHCP-configured hosts handle RA messages
- How the SLAAC-configured host handle “M=1” in RA
- Both are not clearly defined, depend on OS implementation

Address Configuration –Router configuration

Router restart issue (*addresses may be cached, need to start to clear them*)

- It is a gap, but...
 - *We still don't know whether it is available on current routers*
 - *If available, we need to know whether this issue could be eliminated by state-of-the-art hardware/software platforms*

Parameterized router configuration

- General inconsistency is a gap (some protocol/platform/application/vendor support using FQDN, while others not)
- DNS naming convention is a gap

Address Configuration *--static addresses & ULA*

Static address configuration

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ULA

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- Internal-only hosts/servers are recommended to use ULAs
- ULA+GUA is recommended, ULA could guarantee stable local communication with regardless of uplink prefixes changed

Address relevant entries update

--DNS records update

Dynamic DNS record update

- RFC3007 has been widely supported, but not widely used, especially on hosts.
- complexity of key management issues inherited from secure DNS mechanisms

Renumbering event management

- **Renumbering Notification**

We need a standardized solution for communicating a prefix update to all systems that need to know it. NETCONF is an alternative, but not sufficient:

- *NETCONF protocol is not supported by all entities*
- *It is a centrally-managed model, cannot cover all devices*
- *The centralized NETCONF configuration database also needs to be updated dynamically, rapidly, accurately*

- **Synchronization Management**

Latency issue of disabling the old records, which cannot expire “immediately” because of the hierarchical store of DNS records (especially the cached ones). This may cause a problem that the DNS may return the deprecated records to requestors.

Thank you!
Comments are appreciated

Adopted as a WG item?

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