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TOPIC – NETWORK LAYER IN THE INTERNET(IPV6)





The network layer protocol in the TCP/IP protocol suite is currently IPv4. Although IPv4 is well designed, data communication has evolved since the inception of IPv4 in the 1970s. IPv4 has some deficiencies that make it unsuitable for the fast-growing Internet.





IPv6 datagram header and payload



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Format of an IPv6 datagram





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Next header codes for IPv6



Code	Next Header
0	Hop-by-hop option
2	ICMP
6	ТСР
17	UDP
43	Source routing
44	Fragmentation
50	Encrypted security payload
51	Authentication
59	Null (no next header)
60	Destination option



Priorities for congestion-controlled traffic



Priority	Meaning
0	No specific traffic
1	Background data
2	Unattended data traffic
3	Reserved
4	Attended bulk data traffic
5	Reserved
6	Interactive traffic
7	Control traffic



Priorities for noncongestion-controlled traffic



Priority	Meaning
8	Data with greatest redundancy
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15	Data with least redundancy

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Comparison between IPv4 and IPv6 packet headers



Comparison

- 1. The header length field is eliminated in IPv6 because the length of the header is fixed in this version.
- 2. The service type field is eliminated in IPv6. The priority and flow label fields together take over the function of the service type field.
- 3. The total length field is eliminated in IPv6 and replaced by the payload length field.
- 4. The identification, flag, and offset fields are eliminated from the base header in IPv6. They are included in the fragmentation extension header.
- 5. The TTL field is called hop limit in IPv6.
- 6. The protocol field is replaced by the next header field.
- 7. The header checksum is eliminated because the checksum is provided by upper-layer protocols; it is therefore not needed at this level.
- 8. The option fields in IPv4 are implemented as extension headers in IPv6.



Extension header types





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Comparison between IPv4 options and IPv6 extension headers



Comparison

- 1. The no-operation and end-of-option options in IPv4 are replaced by Pad1 and PadN options in IPv6.
- 2. The record route option is not implemented in IPv6 because it was not used.
- 3. The timestamp option is not implemented because it was not used.
- 4. The source route option is called the source route extension header in IPv6.
- 5. The fragmentation fields in the base header section of IPv4 have moved to the fragmentation extension header in IPv6.
- 6. The authentication extension header is new in IPv6.
- 7. The encrypted security payload extension header is new in IPv6.





Because of the huge number of systems on the Internet, the transition from IPv4 to IPv6 cannot happen suddenly. It takes a considerable amount of time before every system in the Internet can move from IPv4 to IPv6. The transition must be smooth to prevent any problems between IPv4 and IPv6 systems.



Three transition strategies







Dual stack







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Header translation strategy







Header translation



Header Translation Procedure

- 1. The IPv6 mapped address is changed to an IPv4 address by extracting the rightmost 32 bits.
- 2. The value of the IPv6 priority field is discarded.
- 3. The type of service field in IPv4 is set to zero.
- 4. The checksum for IPv4 is calculated and inserted in the corresponding field.
- 5. The IPv6 flow label is ignored.
- 6. Compatible extension headers are converted to options and inserted in the IPv4 header. Some may have to be dropped.
- 7. The length of IPv4 header is calculated and inserted into the corresponding field.
- 8. The total length of the IPv4 packet is calculated and inserted in the corresponding field.





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