

64 Bits Are Not Enough for Anybody

or

What's Your IPv6 Address Plan?

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The Good News

Use of IPv6 for Russian Federation (RU)



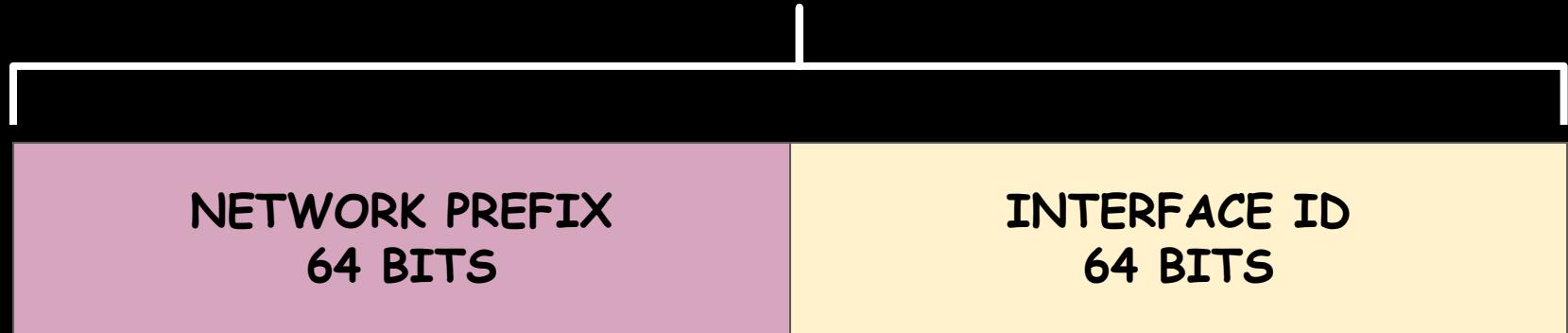
The Bad News

Users' CPEs
receive
a single /64
via
DHCP-PD



IPv6 101

IPv6 Address Structure



Every subnet needs /64

Multiple /64s are needed for multiple subnets

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BEST CURRENT PRACTICE

Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF) T. Narten
Request for Comments: 6177 IBM
BCP: 157 G. Huston
Obsoletes: [3177](#) APNIC
Category: Best Current Practice L. Roberts
ISSN: 2070-1721 Stanford University
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IPv6 Address Assignment to End Sites

Abstract

[RFC 3177](#) argued that in IPv6, end sites should be assigned /48 blocks in most cases. The Regional Internet Registries (RIRs) adopted that recommendation in 2002, but began reconsidering the policy in 2005. This document obsoletes the [RFC 3177](#) recommendations on the assignment of IPv6 address space to end sites. The exact choice of how much address space to assign end sites is an issue for the operational community. The IETF's role in this case is limited to providing guidance on IPv6 architectural and operational considerations. This document reviews the architectural and operational considerations of end site assignments as well as the motivations behind the original recommendations in [RFC 3177](#). Moreover, this document clarifies that a one-size-fits-all recommendation of /48 is not nuanced enough for the broad range of end sites and is no longer recommended as a single default.

🍏 🍎 🍎 RFC 6177 - IPv6 Address Assign X +

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Narten, et al. Best Current Practice [Page 3]

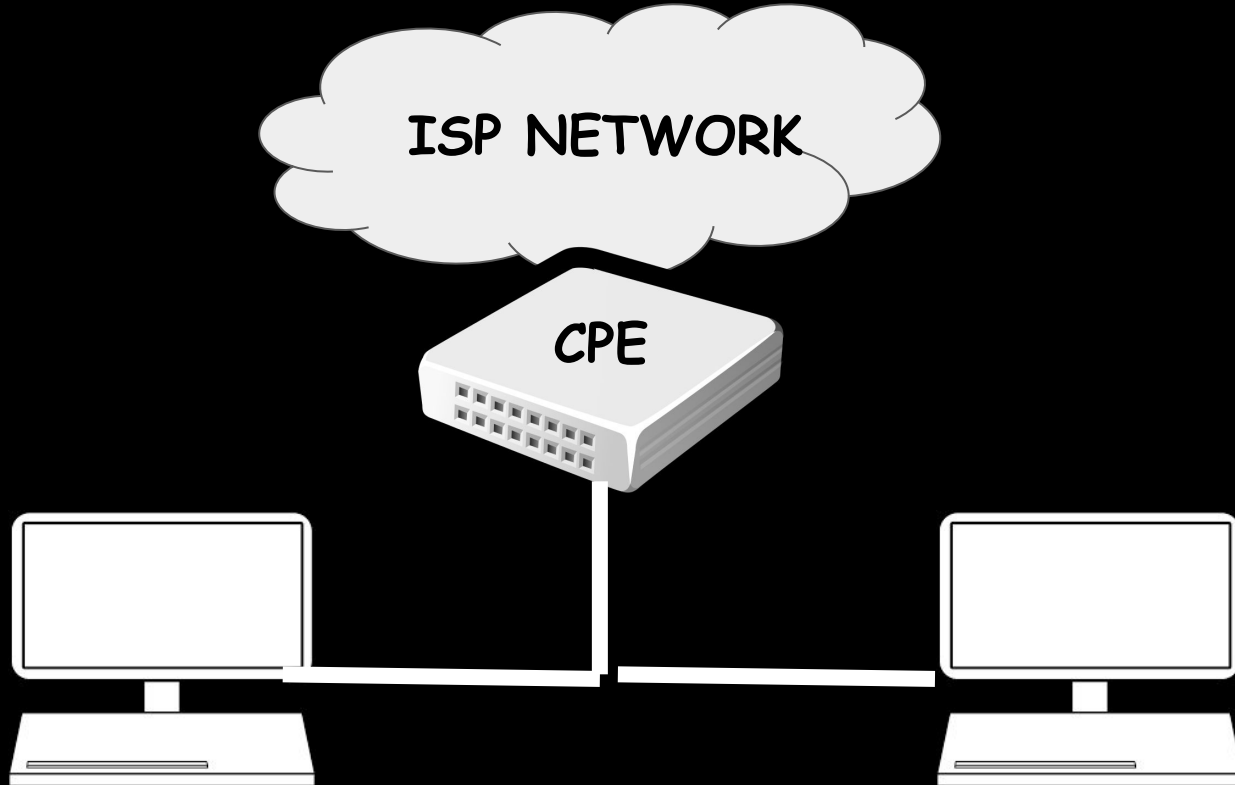
[RFC 6177](#) IPv6 Address Assignment to End Sites March 2011

This document does, however, reaffirm an important assumption behind [RFC 3177](#):

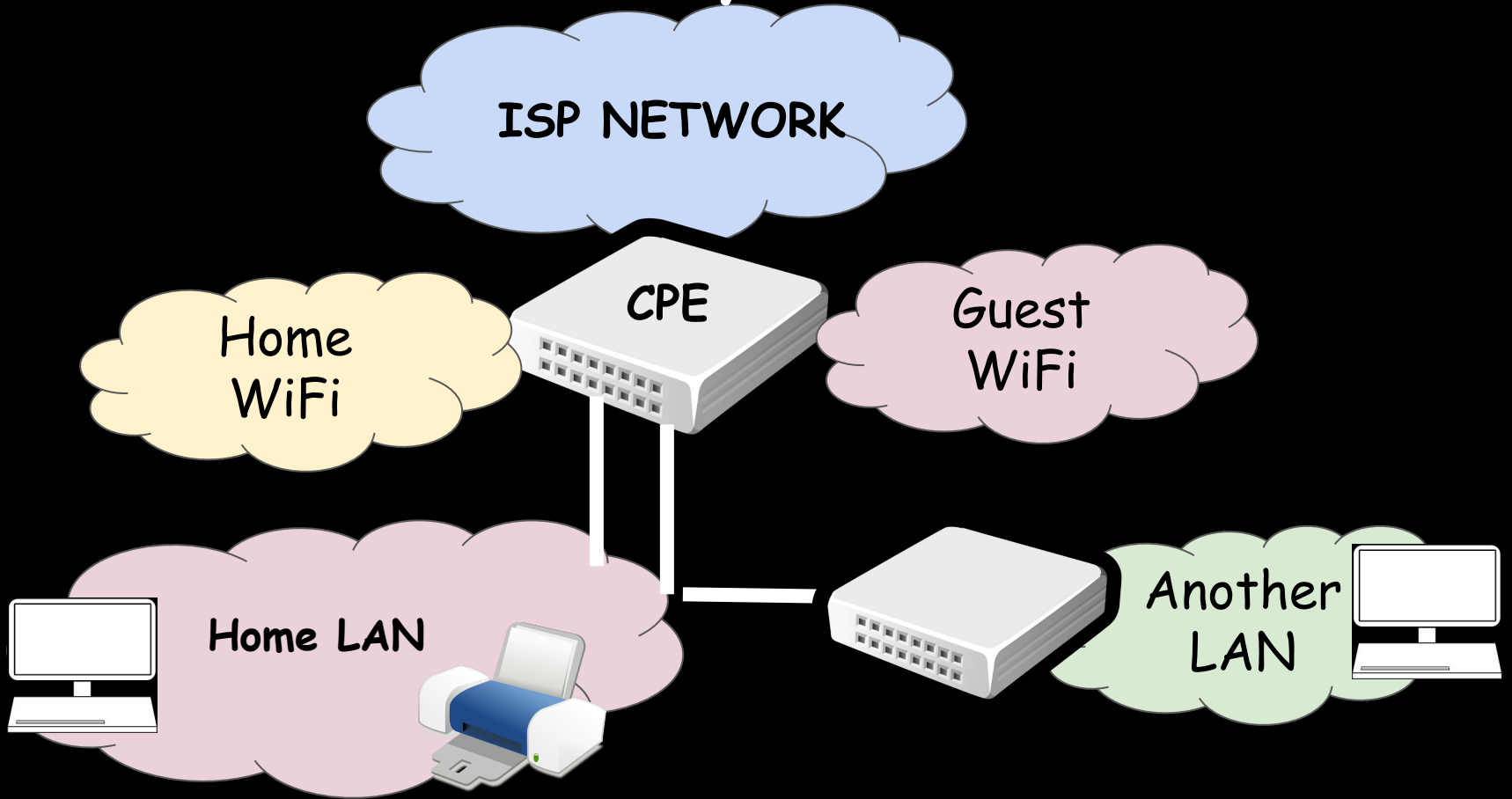
A key principle for address management is that end sites always be able to obtain a reasonable amount of address space for their actual and planned usage, and over time ranges specified in years rather than just months. In practice, that means at least one /64, and in most cases significantly more. One particular situation that must be avoided is having an end site feel compelled to use IPv6-to-IPv6 Network Address Translation or other burdensome address conservation techniques because it could not get sufficient address space.

This document does not make a formal recommendation on what the exact assignment size should be. The exact choice of how much address space to assign end sites is an issue for the operational community. The IETF's role in this case is limited to providing guidance on IPv6 architectural and operational considerations. This document provides input into those discussions. The focus of this document is to examine the architectural issues and some of the operational considerations relating to the size of the end site assignment.

Home Networks Yesterday



Home Networks Today



Offers multiple subnets by default



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What Good is IPv6



If You Have to Deploy NAT?

Let's Do Some Math...

To give /56 to everyone...

- Russia Population: ~144M
- $2^{28} = 268M$
- $56 - 28 = 28 \Rightarrow /28$ would be enough

To give /56 to every household...

- ~53M households in Russia
- $2^{26} = 67M$
- $56 - 26 = /30 \Rightarrow /30$ would be enough.

Dear ISPs!
Please assign multiple /64s!

Love, users.

