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Introduction to IPv6

- Expanded address space
- Globally unique IP addresses
- Fixed header length
- Improved option mechanism
- Address autoconfiguration
- Support for labeling traffic flows
- Security capabilities
- Maximum transmission unit (MTU) path discovery
- Site multihoming

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IPv6 Header

0 1 2 3
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1

Version	Traffic Class	Flow Label	
Payload Length		Next Header	Hop Limit
		128 bit Source Address	
		128 bit Destination Address	

34 billion billion billion billion IPv6 addresses

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IPv6 Address Representation

FE1A:42B9:001B:0000:0000:12D0:005B:06B0

FE1A:42B9:1B:0:0:12D0:5B:6B0

FE1A:42B9:1B::12D0:5B:6B0

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IPv6 Prefix Representation

2001:0000:0000:0ab0:0000:0000:0000:0000/60

2001:0000:0000:0ab0:0:0:0:0/60

2001:0000:0000:ab0::/60

2001:0:0:ab0::/60

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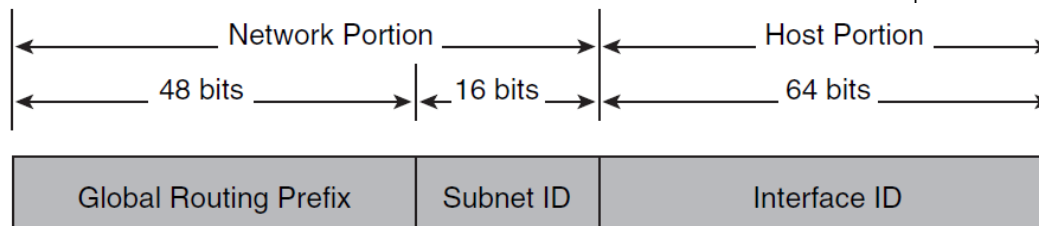
IPv6 Address Types

- **Unicast Address (one-to-one)**
 - 2000::-Global Unicast
- **Anycast Address (one-to-nearest)**
- **Multicast Address (one-to-many)**
 - FF00::-Multicast
 - FF01:0:0:0:0:0:0:1—Indicates all-nodes address for interface-local scope.
 - FF02:0:0:0:0:0:0:2—All-routers address for link-local.

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IPv6 Address Allocations

Binary Prefix	Hexadecimal/Prefix	Allocation
0000 0000	0000:: 8</td <td>Unspecified, loopback, IPv4-compatible</td>	Unspecified, loopback, IPv4-compatible
0000 0001	0100:: 8</td <td>Unassigned</td>	Unassigned
0000 001	0200:: 7</td <td>Unassigned</td>	Unassigned
0000 010	0400:: 7</td <td>Reserved for Internetwork Packet Exchange (IPX) allocation</td>	Reserved for Internetwork Packet Exchange (IPX) allocation
0000 1	0800:: 5</td <td>Unassigned</td>	Unassigned
0001	1000:: 4</td <td>Unassigned</td>	Unassigned
001	2000:: 3</td <td>Global unicast address</td>	Global unicast address
010	4000:: 3</td <td>Unassigned</td>	Unassigned
011	6000:: 3</td <td>Unassigned</td>	Unassigned
100	8000:: 3</td <td>Reserved for geographic-based unicast addresses</td>	Reserved for geographic-based unicast addresses
	A000:: 3</td <td>Unassigned</td>	Unassigned
	C000:: 3</td <td>Unassigned</td>	Unassigned
	E000:: 3</td <td>Unassigned</td>	Unassigned
	F000:: 5</td <td>Unassigned</td>	Unassigned
	F800:: 6</td <td>Unassigned</td>	Unassigned
1111 110	FC00:: 7</td <td>Unassigned</td>	Unassigned
1111 1110 0	FE00:: 9</td <td>Unassigned</td>	Unassigned
1111 1110 10	FE80:: 10</td <td>Link-local unicast addresses</td>	Link-local unicast addresses
1111 1110 11	FEC0:: 10</td <td>Unassigned; was site-local unicast addresses (deprecated)</td>	Unassigned; was site-local unicast addresses (deprecated)
1111 1111	FF00:: 8</td <td>Multicast addresses</td>	Multicast addresses



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IPv6 Multicast

8 bits	4 bits	4 bits	112 bits
1111111111	FLGS	SCOP	Group ID

Multicast Address	Multicast Group
FF01::1	All nodes (node-local)
FF02::1	All nodes (link-local)
FF01::2	All routers (node-local)
FF02::2	All routers (link-local)
FF02::5	Open Shortest Path First version 3 (OSPFv3)
FF02::6	OSPFv3 designated routers
FF02::9	Routing Information Protocol (RIPng)
FF02::A	EIGRP routers
FF02::B	Mobile agents
FF02::C	DHCP servers/relay agents
FF02::D	All Protocol Independent Multicast (PIM) routers

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ICMPv6

- Echo request
- Echo reply
- Destination unreachable
- Packet too big
- Time exceeded
- Parameter problem
- No route to destination
- Destination administratively prohibited
- Address unreachable
- Port unreachable

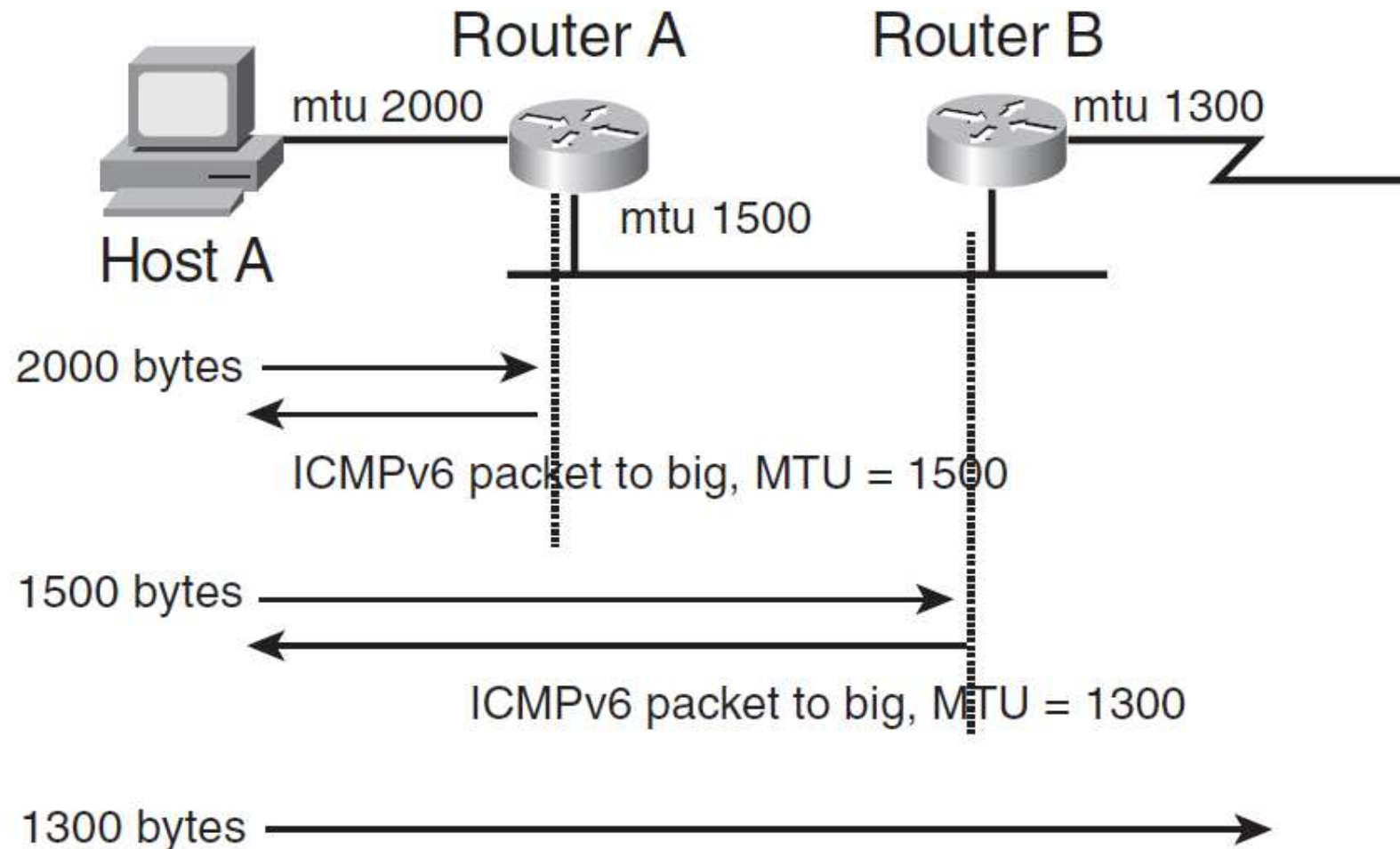
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IPv6 Network Discovery (ND) Protocol

- Address autoconfiguration
- Duplicate address detection
- Prefix discovery
- Parameter discovery
- Address resolution
- Router discovery
- Next-hop determination
- Neighbor unreachability detection
- IPv6 ND
 - Router Advertisement
 - Router Solicitation
 - Neighbor Solicitation
 - Neighbor Advertisement
 - Redirect

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Path MTU Discovery



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IPv6 Routing Protocols

RIPng for IPv6

EIGRP for IPv6

OSPFv3 for IPv6

IS-IS for IPv6

BGP4 Multiprotocol Extensions for IPv6

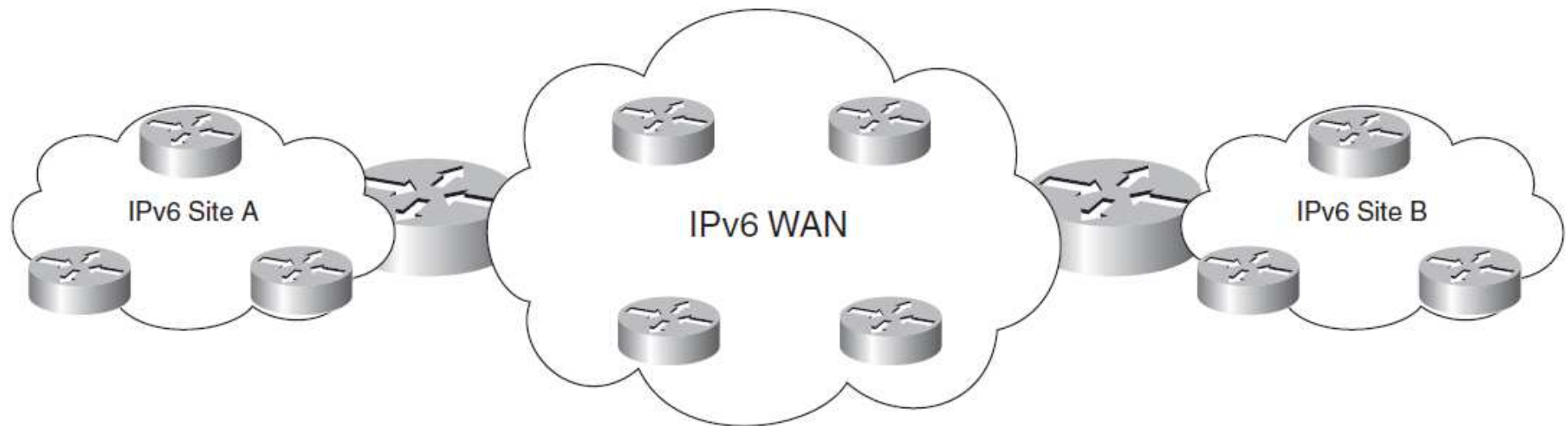
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IPv4 to IPv6 Transition Strategies

- IPv6 over dedicated WAN links
- IPv6 over IPv4 tunnels
- IPv6 using dual-stack backbones
- Protocol translation

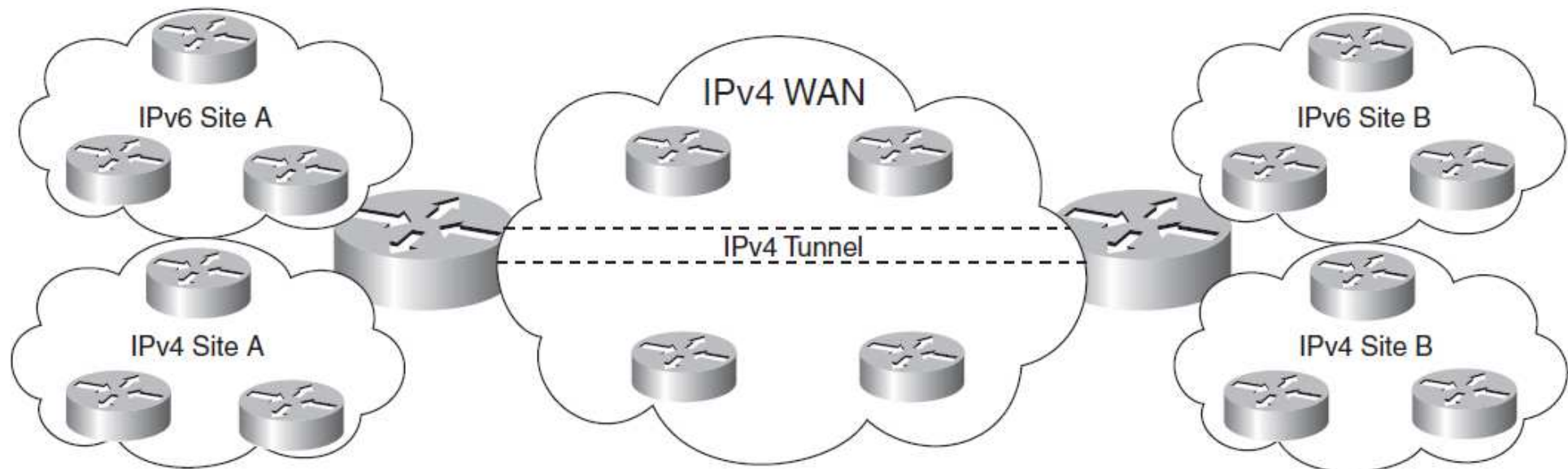
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IPv6 over Dedicated WAN Links



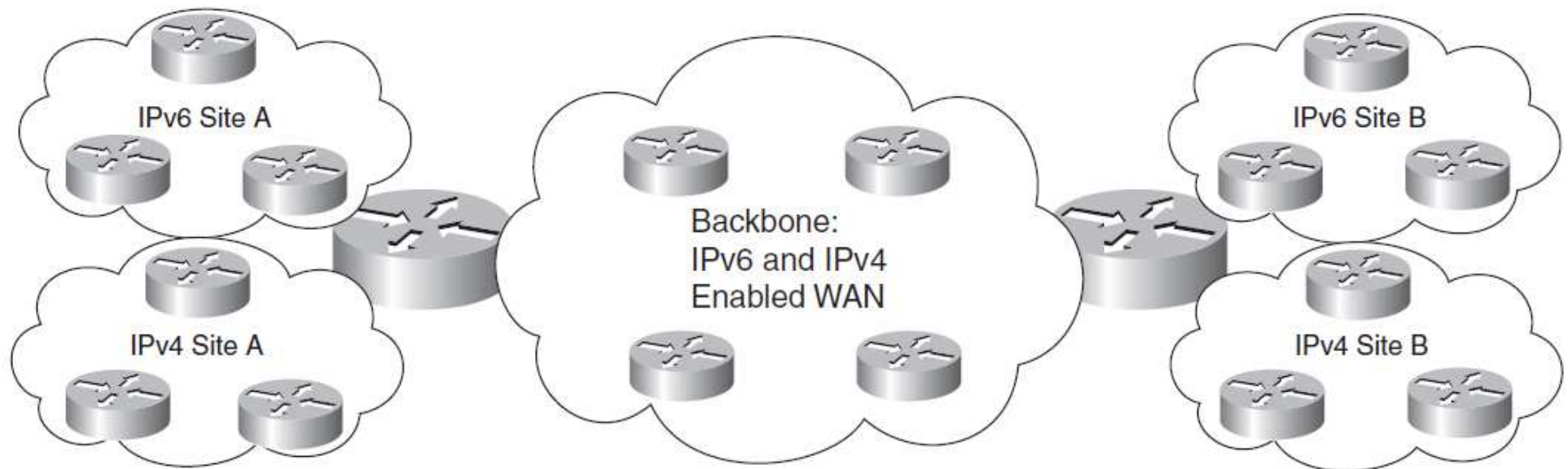
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IPv6 over IPv4 Tunnels



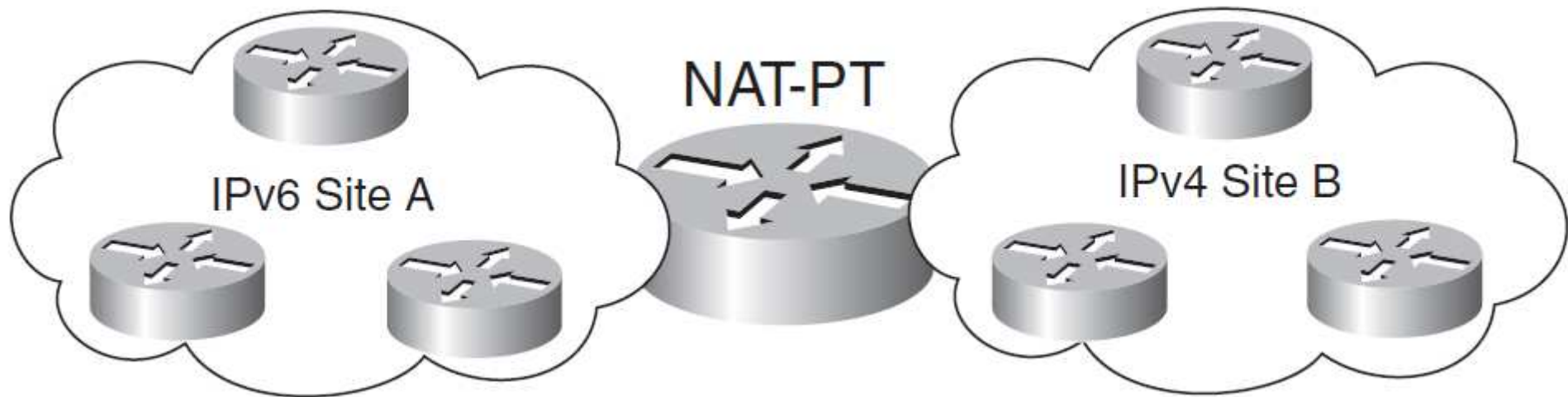
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Dual-Stack Backbones



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Protocol Translation Mechanisms



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IPv6 Summary

Characteristic	IPv6	IPv4
Address length	128 bits	32 bits
Address representation	Hexadecimal	Dotted-decimal
Header length	Fixed (40 bytes)	Variable
Upper-layer protocols	Next header field	Protocol type field
Link address resolution	ND	ARP
Address configuration	Stateless autoconfiguration or stateful DHCP	Stateful DHCP
DNS (name-to-address resolution)	A6 records	A records
Interior routing protocols	EIGRPv6, OSPFv3, RIPng, IS-IS for IPv6	EIGRP, OSPFv2, RIPv2, IS-IS
Classification and marking	Traffic class and flow label fields, Differentiated Services Code Point (DSCP)	IP precedence bits, type-of-service field, DSCP
Private addresses	Site-local addresses	RFC 1918 private address space
Fragmentation	Sending host only	Sending host and intermediate routers
Loopback address	0:0:0:0:0:0:1	127.0.0.1
Address types	Unicast, anycast, multicast	Unicast, multicast, broadcast



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