

Plans to support IPv6-only CPU on WLCG

- an update from the HEPiX IPv6 Working Group

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Many thanks to them all!

And to Bruno Hoeft, Alastair Dewhurst & Andrea Sciaba for their slides



Overview

Update since DESY Zeuthen HEPiX – April 2016

- Working Group timeline
- IPv6 global status
- Dual-stack storage and IPv6 data transfers
- Support for IPv6-only CPU
- Experiments and IPv6
- IPv6 security



HEPiX IPv6 Working Group

Timeline

2011: Started work

CHEP2012: "From IPv4 to eternity" – a talk presented the working group plans

• 2012-2014: Testbed activities and working with Storage developers CHEP2013: Paper "WLCG and IPv6 - the HEPiX IPv6 working group" (testbed)

• 2015: Request LHCOPN/ONE IPv6 peering & dual-stack perfSONAR CHEP2015: Paper "The production deployment of IPv6 on WLCG" (dual-stack)

• 2016: Now encouraging more dual-stack storage

CHEP2016: Plans for IPv6-only CPU

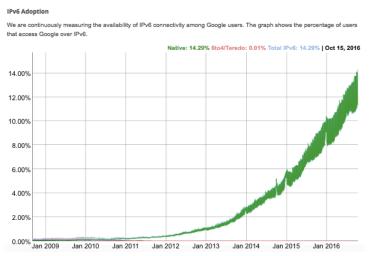
• 2017: First support for IPv6-only CPU



Global IPv6 status

Based on slide from Alastair Dewhurst

- Over 14% of access to Google services now via IPv6
 - https://www.google.com/intl/en/ipv6/statistics.html
- Some commercial hosting companies offer cheaper IPv6 only services
- June 2016, Apple now mandates all Apps submitted to the App Store must support IPv6-only networking
- September 2016, Microsoft Azure VMs now available as IPv6
- For HEP:
 - 11 sites currently provide dual stack storage.
 - 2 sites running IPv6 WN (With NAT64/DNS64).

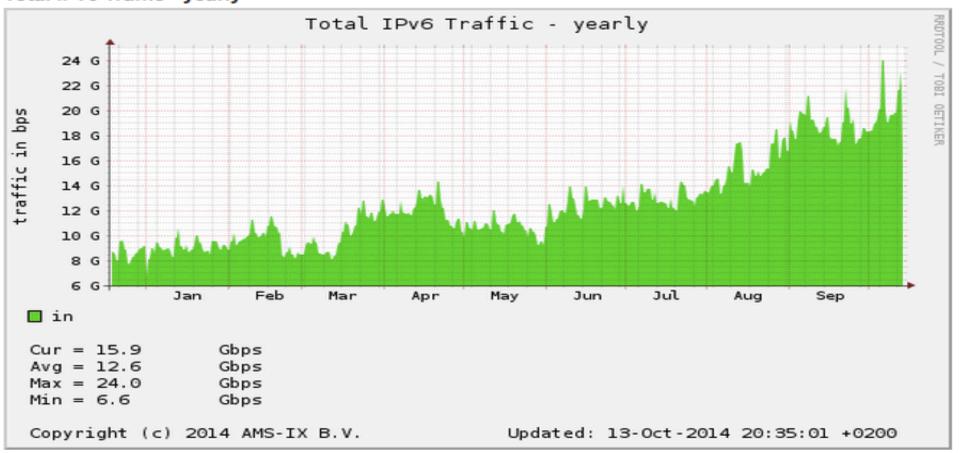




IPv6 traffic at AMS-IX 2014

https://ams-ix.net/technical/statistics/sflow-stats/ipv6-traffic

Total IPv6 Traffic - yearly

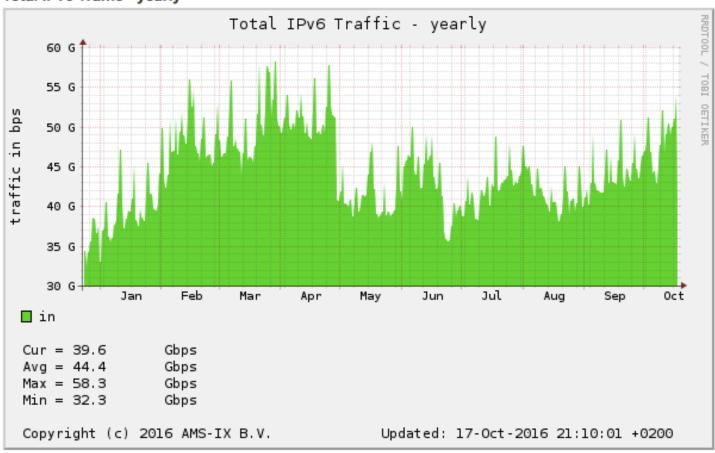




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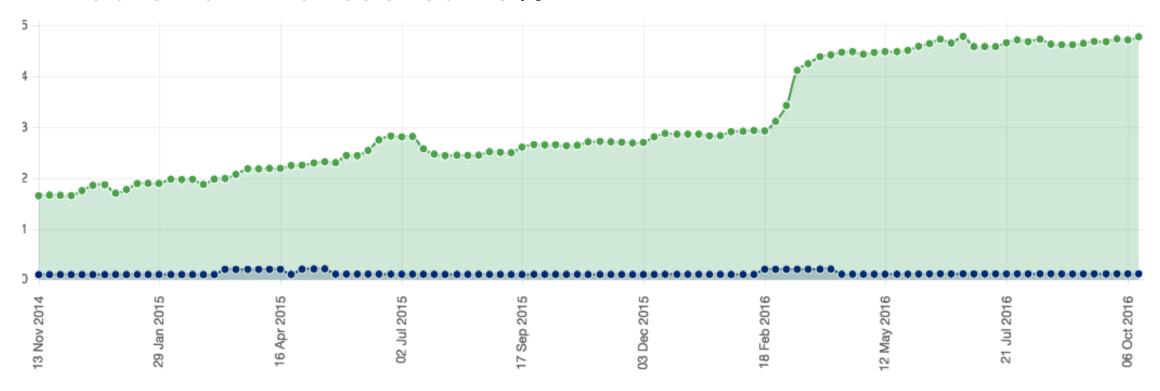
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WLCG Dual-Stack services

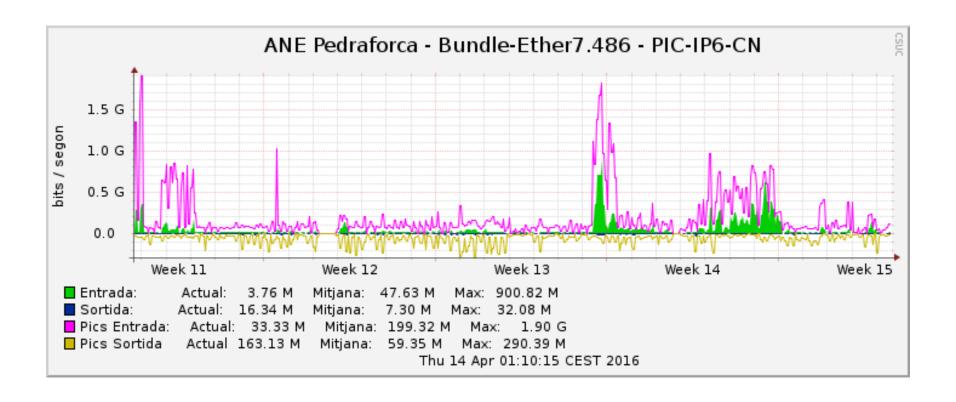
Services in BDII Fraction of IPv6 reached ~5%





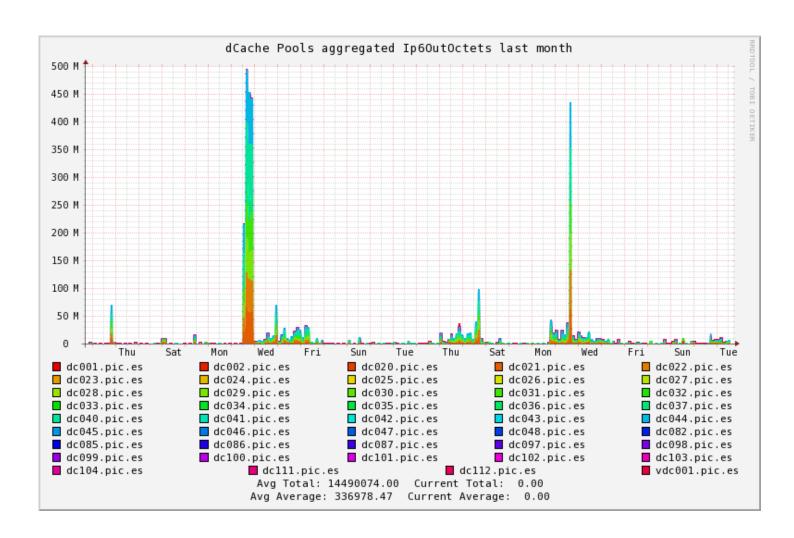
PIC IPv6 traffic 2016

dCache IPv6 traffic from PIC to Tier 2 over general internet





PIC dCache IPv6 traffic (2)



dCache IPv6 traffic from PIC to other sites in Aug 2016 (MBps)

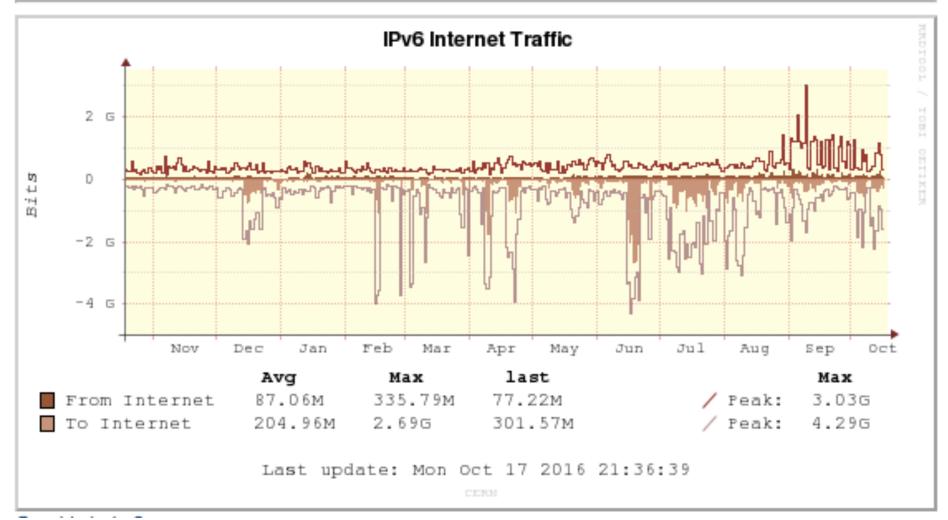
Peaks of ~500 MBytes/s (4 Gbps average)
- to Imperial, London

Tuesday 30th August with a duration of about 12 hours



IPv6 internet traffic CERN

Yearly





Dual-stack Storage & IPv6 data transfers

- Most storage solutions and protocols now work in dual-stack mode
 - dCache, DPM, StoRM, FTS
 - XrootD 4, GridFTP, http
- Several sites have been running dual-stack for some time
- Production data transfers over IPv6 are happening!
- We are working on per experiment monitoring over time
 - What fraction of data transfers are IPv6?
- It works!



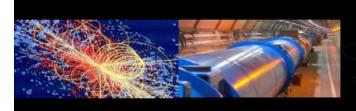
Support for IPv6-only worker nodes/VMs



WLCG IPv6 deployment strategy

Alastair Dewhurst
<u>Andrea Sciabà</u>
on behalf of the HEPiX IPv6 WG

19/07/2016, WLCG MB

























- A document has been submitted to the MB for approval.
 - A summary is presented here.
- The main aims:
 - To provide a viable migration path for sites needing to switch to IPv6.
 - To allow sites to make long term planning decisions regarding their network setup.



- To allow VOs to make use of IPv6-only CPU resources should they become available in future.

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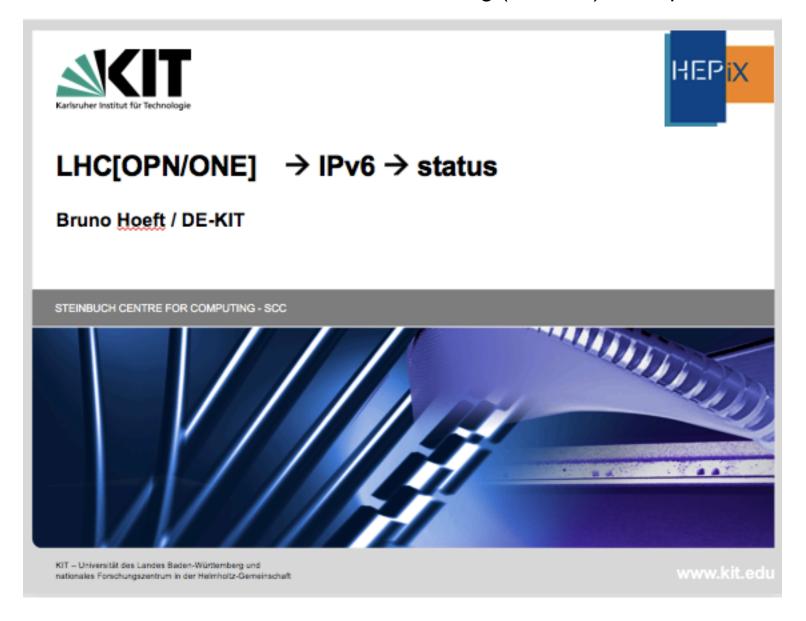


Proposed timeline

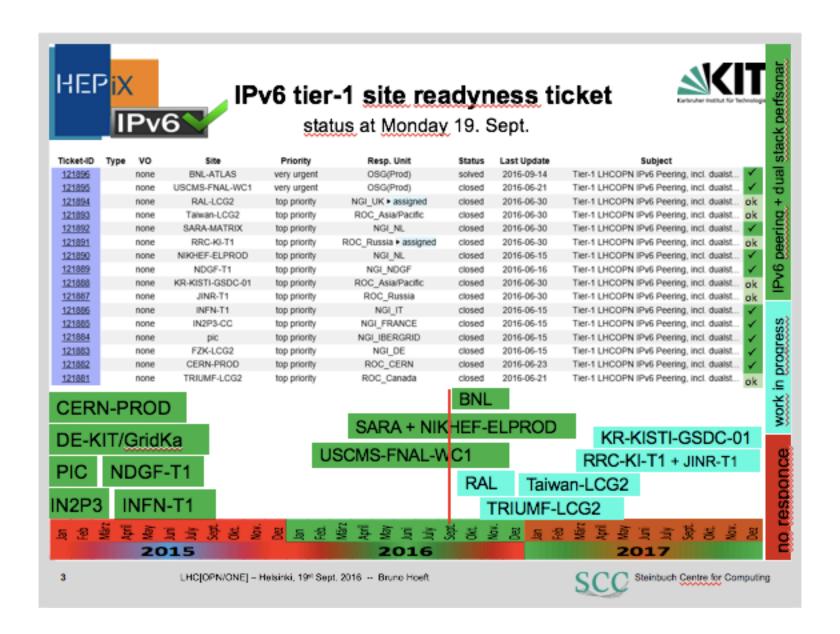
- By April 1st 2017
 - Sites can provide IPv6-only CPUs if necessary
 - Tier-1's must provide dual-stack storage access with sufficient performance and reliability
 - · At least in a testbed setup
 - Stratum-1 service at CERN must be dual-stack
 - A dedicated ETF infrastructure to test IPv6 services must be available
 - ATLAS and CMS must deploy all services interacting with WNs in dual-stack
 - All the above, without disrupting normal WLCG operations
- By April 1st 2018
 - Tier-1's must provide dual-stack storage access in production with increased performance and reliability
 - Tier-1's must upgrade their Stratum-1 and FTS to dual-stack
 - The official ETF infrastructure must be migrated to dual-stack
 - GOCDB, OIM, GGUS, BDII should be dual-stack
- By end of Run2
 - A large number of sites will have migrated their storage to IPv6
 - The recommendation to keep IPv4 as a backup will be dropped



Some slides shown at LHCOPN meeting (Helsinki) 19 Sep 2016



20/09/2016 Kelsey - IPv6



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LHCOPN/IPv6 updates

- TRIUMF now peering over IPv6
- ASGC/Taiwan peering over IPv6 for perfSONAR and testing
- Dual-stack perfSONAR
 - new sites: BNL, RAL, TRIUMF, ASGC
- LHCOPN peering still to come
 - RAL
 - KISTI
 - Russia

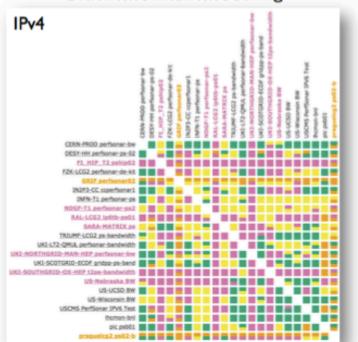
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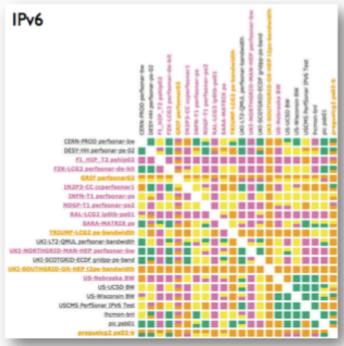
PerfSonar

Meshes show dual stack PerfSonar endpoints

http://maddash.aglt2.org/maddash-webui/index.cgi?dashboard=Dual-

Stack%20Mesh%20Config









Alastair Dewhurst, 11th October 2016



Deployment of IPv6 only CPU resources at WLCG sites

Alastair Dewhurst, on behalf of the HEPiX IPv6 Working group

Slides shown at CHEP2016, San Francisco, Oct 2016

IPv6 only CPU

The HEPiX IPv6 group made a proposal[1] to the WLCG Management Board which has now been accepted to allow sites to migrate their CPU resources to IPv6 only by April 2017.

- All VOs encourage sites to upgrade their storage to dual stack.
- All VOs are working towards making their central services required by Grid jobs dual stack by April 2017.
- Shared central services (e.g. CVMFS) should be accessible via IPv6 by April 2017.
- Tier Is should provide functional dual stack access to storage (and other services they may run):
 - 1GB/s and 90% availability by April 2017.
 - 10Gb/s and 95% availability by April 2018.



[1] https://indico.cern.ch/event/467575/contributions/1145552/attachments/1311592/1962831/WLCGIPv6Deployment.pdf



Central Services

- The FTS service is used to transfer large volumes of data between sites.
 - Even though third-party copy is used, the FTS service needs to be dual stack to allow transfers to go via IPv6.
 - Both sites need to have dual stack storage
 - FTS3 pilot service at CERN supports IPv6, ongoing discussion on how best to upgrade the rest.
- CVMFS is used by all the LHC VOs to distribute software to WN.
 - Assuming site squid is dual stack then stratum 1 does not need to be.









- ALICE uses a fully federated storage model based on XrootD.
 - XrootD 4 will need to be provided by the sites
- 100% of data must be available via IPV6 before any WN can be IPv6 only.
 - As data is duplicated not all sites need to upgrade (but the vast majority will).
- ALICE central services have been dual stack for over a year.
- Around 5% of ALICE sites have upgraded their storage to dual stack.
 - Aim for all sites to upgrade by end of Run 2.







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- ATLAS are focusing on making services required by IPv6 only WN dual stack first. These all use https:
- The PanDA servers.
 - Pilots contact the Panda servers to pull in jobs as well as send regular updates.
- The DDM headnodes:
 - These are contacted by the jobs to register files that have been uploaded.
- Some services such as pilot factories have been already made dual stack.







- The job submission middleware, GlideinWMS has been validated as IPv6 compliant.
- The data management system, PhEDEx, uses the Oracle client for communication between local site agents and the central service.
- CMS is upgrading all its central services to dual stack.
 - Focus on the services needed directly by WN aim to complete by April 2017.
 - All services by end of run 2.







- LHCb uses the DIRAC framework to submit jobs to the Grid.
- DIRAC officially supports IPv6 and other users are already running with dual stack instances.
- LHCb has 40 VO boxes at CERN.
 - Rationalising these machines down to ~10.
 - All new machines will be dual stack, currently 4 deployed and tested.





Conclusion

- There is now a WLCG Management Board endorsed plan to allow sites to run IPV6 only CPU.
- The LHC VOs all have plans to upgrade their infrastructure to meet this goal.
- We expect to review the progress towards IPv6 adoption in 2018 and expand the plan to allow sites to not need IPv4 at all.







IPv6 Security

- See D Kelsey presentation at ISGC2016
 - https://indico4.twgrid.org/indico/event/1/session/19/contribution/35
- Security: important part of the IPv6 initial design
- BUT with IPv6
 - Lack of maturity
 - New vulnerabilities and attack vectors
 - Need for IPv6-compliant monitoring and tools
 - Lack of education and experience
- We are producing guidance to WLCG site sys admins and developers
- See CHEP2016 poster
 - https://indico.cern.ch/event/505613/contributions/2227722/

IPv6 security checklists

Sys Admins

- Ensure all security/network monitoring/logging are IPv6-capable
- Filter IPv6 packets that enter and leave your network/system
- Filter/disable IPv6-on-IPv4 tunnels
- Deploy RA-Guard or otherwise deal with Rogue RAs
- Filter ICMPv6 messages wisely
- Allow special-purpose headers only if needed
- Make an addressing plan
- Decide whether to use DHCPv6 or SLAAC+DynDNS
- Use synchronised IPv4/v6 access rules
- Do not be tempted by transition technologies

Developers

- Code that replaces IPv4 transport with IPv6 is expected to behave as well and to be tested at least as well as existing code: plan for extensive testing
- Make sure that the choice/ordering/preference of source and destination IP addresses follows what is administratively chosen and configured at the OS level
- Existing IPv4 security measures should not be removed, worked around or simply forgotten when porting code for IPv6



Some final words

- Any site wishing to deploy IPv6-only CPU (WN/VM)
 - Must discuss with the working group
 - Must discuss with the Expts/VOs they support
- If you notice IPv6 problems
 - Please investigate (often down to config. errors)
 - Ask <u>ipv6@hepix.org</u> for help/advice
 - Don't just turn off IPv6 (or make IPv4 default)
- Tier 2s need to plan NOW for IPv6 deployment
 - Work together with your site network team
 - Dual-stack perfSONAR
 - Then dual-stack storage



IPv6 events/meetings

- F2F WG meeting at CERN 2/3 Feb 2017
- In the past IPv6 Workshop 7/8 June 2016
 - preGDB/GDB at CERN
 - presented all of the current status, experience and guidance
 - ENCOURAGE more deployment of dual-stack
 - see slides on the agenda page
 - https://indico.cern.ch/event/394830/



More volunteers welcome

- Join the IPv6 working group!
- Would be very good to get wider coverage
 - More sites in Americas and Asia would be good
 - We continue to test dual-stack production services
 - And IPv6-only CPU
 - A very good way of gaining/sharing experience



Links

HEPiX IPv6 web

http://hepix-ipv6.web.cern.ch

Working group meetings

http://indico.cern.ch/categoryDisplay.py?categId=3538

WLCG Operations IPv6 Task Force

http://hepix-ipv6.web.cern.ch/content/wlcg-ipv6-task-force-0

 Papers published in proceedings of CHEP2013 and CHEP20015 (and CHEP2016 to come)



Questions?