

Virtual IPv6 Security Lab Environment Hands-on Learning



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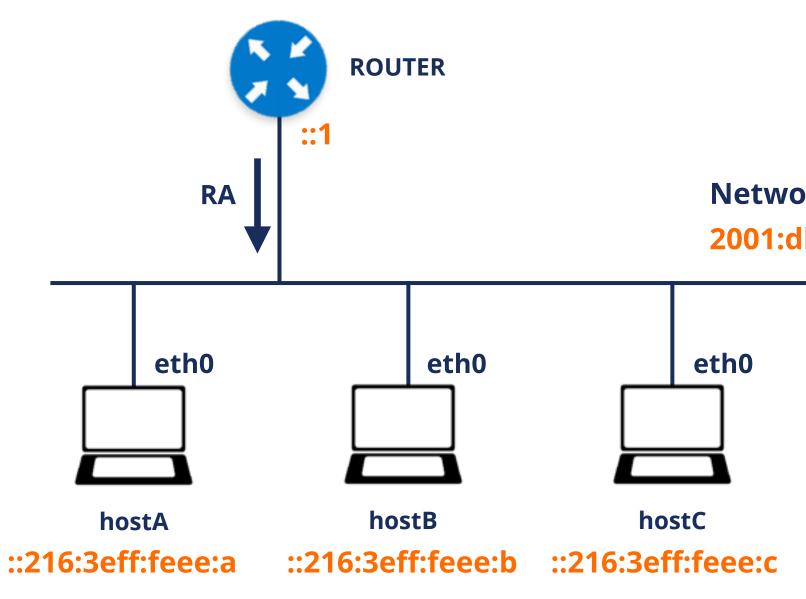
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- First time with hands-on labs



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Network Prefix: 2001:db8:f:1::/64

Delivering Lab Environment

- Should be universally scalable
- Should not cost us too much money
- Should allow enough time to play with it
- Should be easy to use
- We decided to deliver a Virtual Machine image

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Virtual Machine Challenges

- Different virtualisation technology on each platform
 - The only *common* solution is **Oracle VM VirtualBox**, available on Windows, macOS or Linux
 - Still suboptimal compared to native solutions like Hyper-V or KVM
- No common keyboard layout or screen resolution
 - Therefore, we deliver the VM headless with everything accessible over a web interface
- Deploying a VM image is hard
 - We try to make it easier by using Vagrant

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Running The Labs

- Install VirtualBox
- Install Vagrant
- Open terminal and type:

vagrant init ripencc/ipv6seclab vagrant up

 Open web browser on http://localhost:8080/





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Under The Hood

- Based on Ubuntu 20.04 LTS
- Three containers managed by **LXD**
- Consoles accessible from web browser using ttyd and tmux Static website and WebSocket proxy by NGINX
- Everything deployed using Ansible
- Public development in RIPE NCC's GitHub repository

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https://github.com/RIPE-NCC/ipv6-security-lab/

ICMPv6 Redirects vs. Linux

- Worked as expected until Linux 4.17
- From Linux 4.18 on, incoming redirects are ignored
 - Regardless of sysctl net.ipv6.conf.all.accept_redirects = 1
 - Always reproducible with Ubuntu
 - Probably related to IPv6 being set up by systemd-networkd (or dhcpcd)
 - Redirects work as expected with kernel-level autoconfiguration
 - Hard to reproduce in kernel self-test (icmp_redirect.sh)
- After all, we do recommend disallowing redirects ;)
 - But for the lab environment, we need them working
 - Workaround by reverting to kernel-level autoconfiguration

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Further Steps

- Collect feedback from the users
- Expand the lab to use a more real networking gear
 - Some routers are now available as containers
 - Uncertain licence conditions

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