

OpenStack with IPv6

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Agenda

- IPv6 Introduction
- IPv4 to IPv6
- State of IPv6 in OpenStack
- IPv6 architecture in OpenStack: A practical example
- Storage Demo: IPv6 without NAT

What is IPv6?

- The next generation of the IP protocol
- Defined in IETF RFC 1883 in 1995, Internet Standard with RFC 8200 in 2017
- Intended as a replacement for IPv4 but capable of living with it
- What changes with IPv6?
 - Address space
 - *IPv4 has a 32 bit address space ~ 4.3 billion addresses*
 - xxx.xxx.xxx.xxx
 - Where xxx is an integer from 0-255
 - *IPv6 has a 128 bit address space ~ $3.4 * 10^{38}$ addresses*
 - xxxx:xxxx:xxxx:xxxx:xxxx:xxxx:xxxx:xxxx
 - Where xxxx is a hexadecimal value from 0000 to ffff

Advantages of IPv6

- Virtually unlimited real IP addresses
 - No need for NAT
- Huge standard subnet size
 - 2^{64} addresses, which is the square of the entire IPv4 address space
- No need to assign floating IP addresses to instances
- Routers cannot fragment an IPv6 packet
- Prefix Delegation
- Stateless Address Autoconfiguration (SLAAC)

SLAAC

- Allows an IPv6 host to automatically configure itself when connected
- Uses Neighbor Discovery Protocol through ICMPv6 router discovery messages
- A router on the network will respond to this request with a router advertisement packet
 - This packet contains the requirements for address configuration, routes, and required autoconfiguration options
- DHCPv6 and static configuration are also options

Prefix Delegation

- In IPv4, home networks and enterprises typically use private addresses
 - 192.168.xxx.xxx and 10.xxx.xxx.xxx
- However, IPv6 addresses are globally accessible end-to-end
 - So home networks and enterprises now distribute globally routable addresses
 - It becomes difficult to manually provision such networks at a large scale
- DHCPv6 uses Prefix Delegation to assign an address prefix and will automate the configuration and creation of the publicly routable addresses on the network.
 - It does so by assigning a subnet to the router, for example a /64 address space.
 - Will advertise the addresses it allows to the hosts on the network, via SLACC or DHCPv6

Quagga

- Routing protocol network suite that provides implementation of several routing protocols
 - OSPF, RIP, BGP, and others
- GPL licensed
- Allows users to use software-defined networking on their systems
- We will use Quagga to handle the the creation of routes in our OpenStack environment.
 - We set up BGP with Quagga
 - BGP = Border Gateway Protocol

IPv6 in OpenStack

What is the state of IPv6 in OpenStack?

- IPv6 features have been worked on since the beginning (**B**exar)
- Support was gradually being worked on across projects and releases
- Before Grizzly the configuration process was very obscure
- Icehouse, Juno and Kilo increased adoption

What is the state of IPv6 in OpenStack?

- Nova
 - Diablo: initial grow of OpenStack, low maturity of IPv6
 - Grizzly: support for IPv6 in RPC services
 - Incremental fixes, new features and documentation until today

What is the state of IPv6 in OpenStack?

- Neutron
 - Grizzly: support for IPv6 in RPC services
 - Juno: support for SLAAC
 - Kilo: support for multiple IPv6 prefixes on internal router ports
 - Liberty: improvements on IPv6 HA routers
 - Last releases: bug fixes and small improvements

What is the state of IPv6 in OpenStack?

- Cinder
 - No big changes needed in core
 - Grizzly: support for IPv6 in RPC services
 - Liberty: support for iSER IPv6
 - Last releases: small bug fixes

What is the state of IPv6 support in Manila?

- Pike
 - Initial IPv6 implementation
 - *Support for IPv6 access rules and export locations*
 - *Support for IPv6 in network plugins in neutron*
 - *No third party vendor support*
 - Not thoroughly tested
- Queens
 - Vendors adding support and fixing bugs
 - CI scenario tests added
 - Devstack plugins support

IPv6 Architectures in OpenStack

IPv6 Dev Architecture in OpenStack

- We will show how easy it is to setup a test environment for IPv6 with Manila
 - Manila started supporting IPv6 in Queens
- For the following demo, we have used our development lab hypervisors and storage devices
 - Baremetal hypervisors running Ubuntu and KVM
 - NetApp ONTAP devices
- Hypervisors are connected to two IPv6 networks: management and data
- ONTAP are also connected to the same networks, with IPv6 interfaces

IPv6 Dev Architecture in OpenStack

- OpenStack runs on VMs hosted on those hypervisors
 - Each VM connects to a bridge on the hypervisor
- We used Devstack for a simple and easy test setup
 - Just for testing purposes, no real scenario
- Each tenant has a router with gateways to private and public networks
- BGP is needed on host to route packets to the correct tenant router
 - Manila Devstack script sets up Quagga for BGP

IPv6 Dev Architecture in OpenStack

- No floating IPs are needed
- Hypervisor can access VM via private IP
 - Admin tier: fd12::/16
 - Hypervisor tier: fd12:1::/32
 - Devstack tier: fd12:1:1::/48
 - Public subnet: fd12:1:1:1::/64
 - Private subnet: fd12:1:1:0::/64
- In this same scenario, with IPv4, we would commonly use floating IPs

local.conf for Devstack

To setup Devstack for IPv6, the settings needed are:

```
SUBNETPOOL_PREFIX_V6=fd12:1:1::/48
```

```
MANILA_SETUP_IPV6=True
```

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FLOATING_RANGE=172.24.5.0/24
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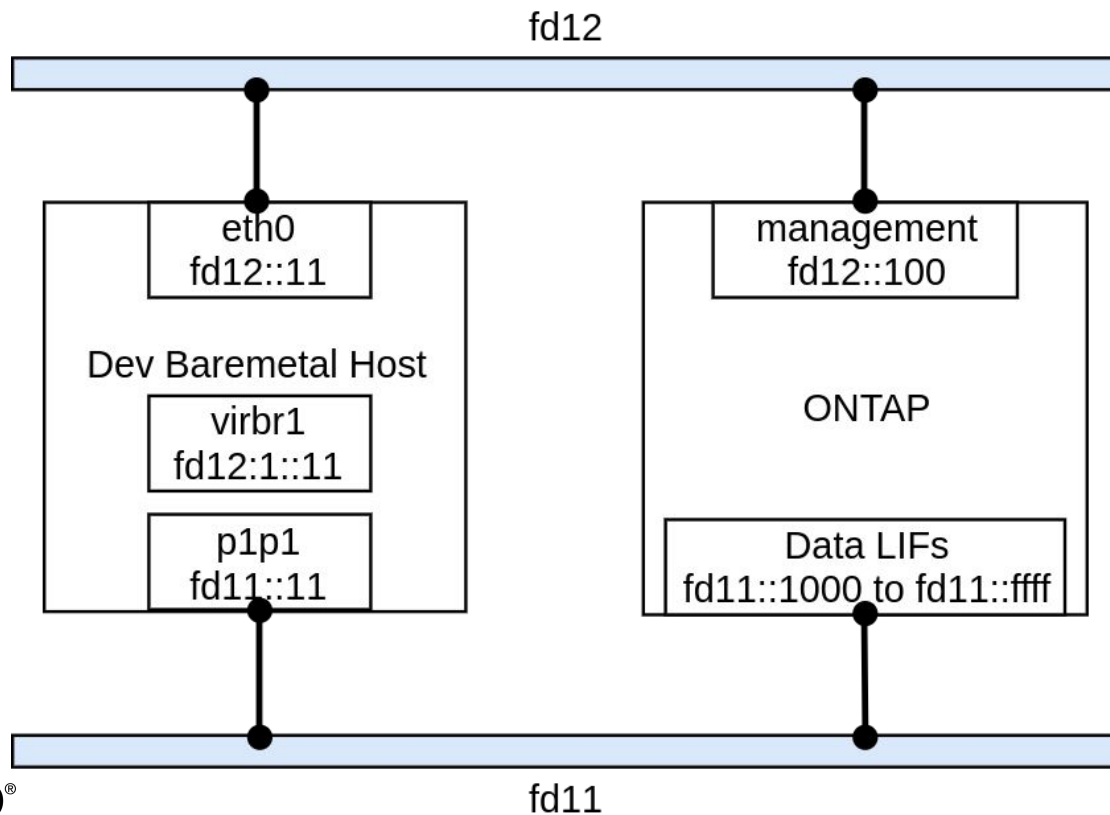
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PUBLIC_NETWORK_GATEWAY=172.24.5.1
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IP_VERSION=4+6
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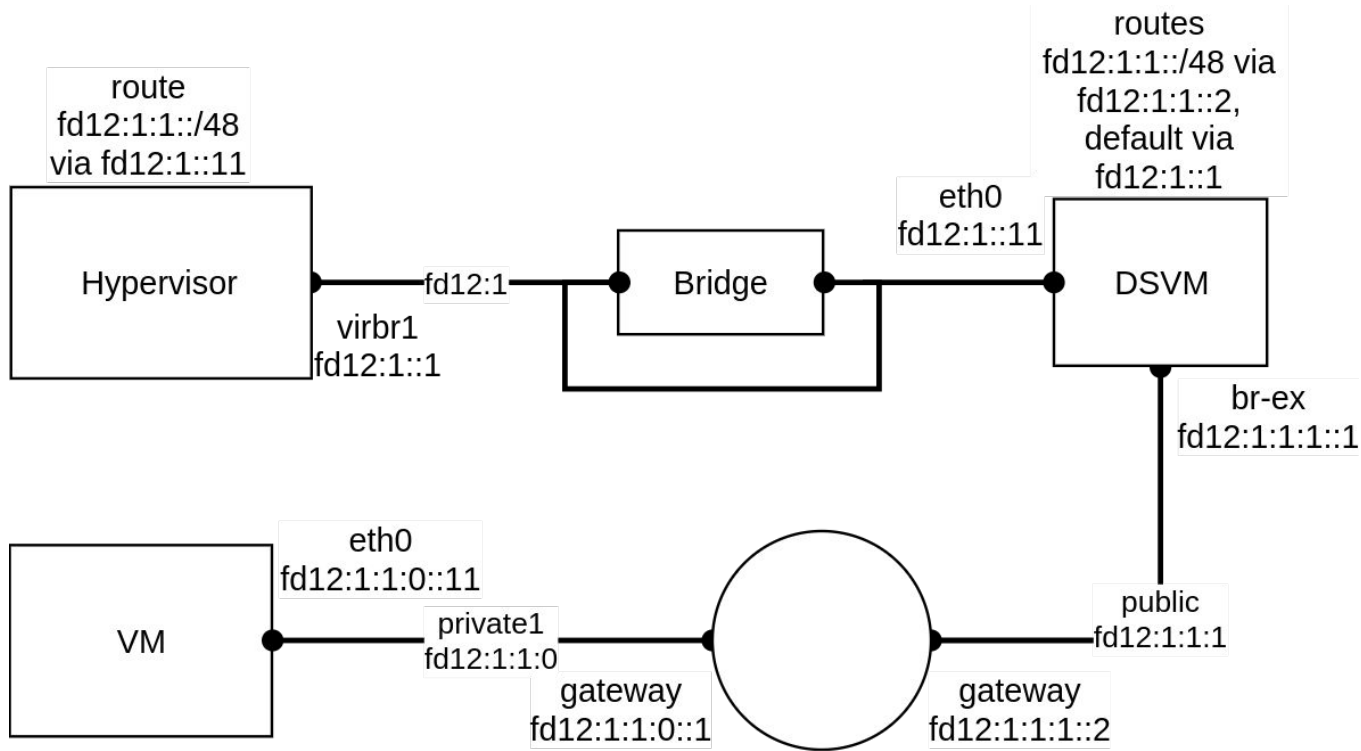
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NEUTRON_CREATE_INITIAL_NETWORKS=False
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enable_plugin neutron-dynamic-routing https://git.openstack.org/openstack/neutron-dynamic-routing
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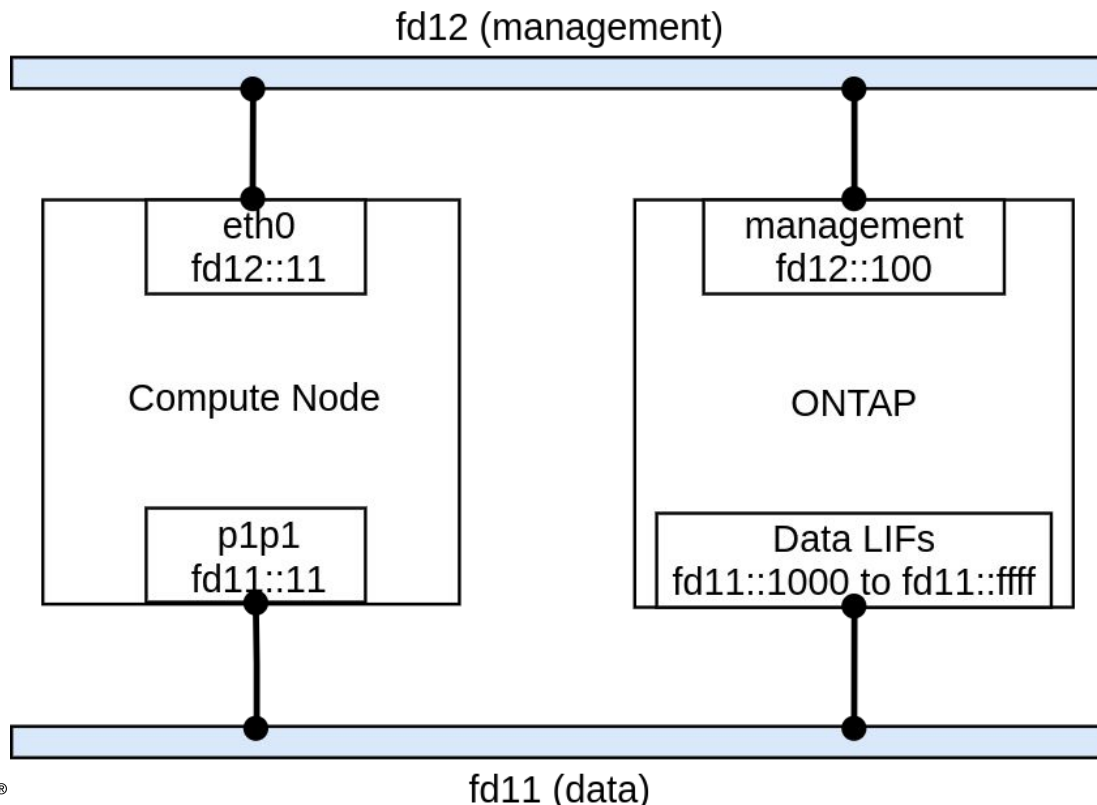


Dev Environment Demo

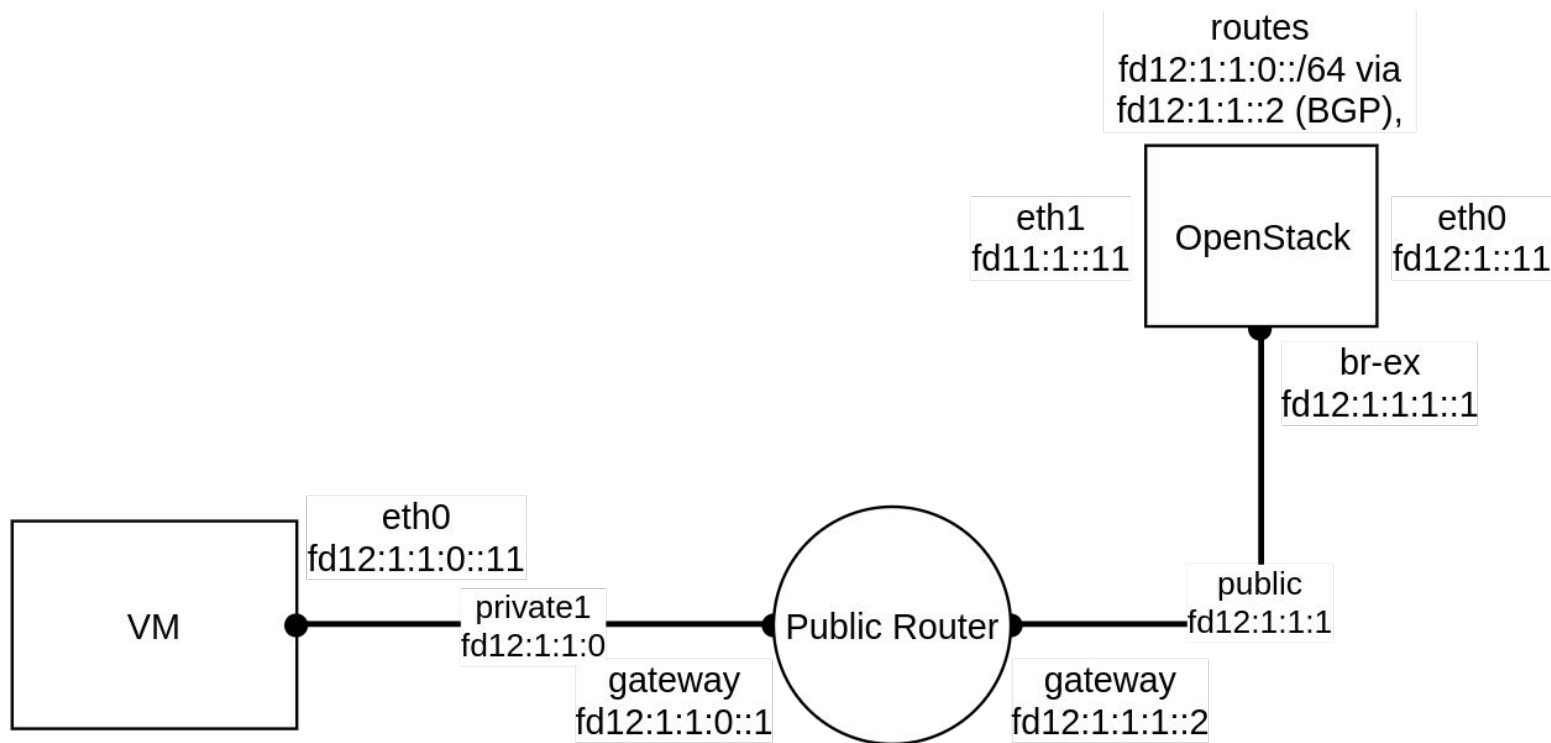
IPv6 Production Architecture in OpenStack

- In a production environment, this devstack architecture would need changes
 - Mostly network related
- On the dev environment, data packets are being routed on the hypervisor
 - In a real production environment, compute nodes would be connected to both networks
- OpenStack would be deployed directly on the baremetal nodes
- Most of the OpenStack configurations would remain unchanged

IPv6 Production Architecture in OpenStack



IPv6 Production Architecture in OpenStack



IPv6 and TripleO

- Configuring TripleO to use IPv6 is incredibly simple
 - Select the TripleO Heat Templates that deploy with IPv6 rather than with IPv4
- Configures the API endpoints and services to use IPv6 to communicate
 - Uses IPv6 connection and address pools rather than IPv4 pools