IPv6 Hands-on session: Examples of IPv6 Services, Management tools & Applications

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IPv6 & Services

Goals

- Support access to services over IPv6
- Sustain IPv6-related information
- Basic Services
 - Name Service (DNS), Web Hosting (HTTP), Electronic mail (SMTP), File transfer (FTP), Dynamic Configuration (DHCP), Clock Synchronisation (NTP), etc.
- Other Services
 - Databases, directories (e.g. openLDAP), instant messaging (e.g. Jabber), IRC, file sharing, news, etc.



Name Service (DNS)

- BIND (<u>www.isc.org/index.pl?/sw/bind</u>)
- Four entries per node are needed in a dual stack network
 - Two forward records under the same label
 - www.grnet.gr IN A 195.251.25.37
 - www.grnet.gr IN AAAA 2001:648:2ffc:200::2037
 - One reverse PTR record under in-addr.arpa
 - One reverse PTR record under ip6.arpa
 - 7.3.0.2....1.0.0.2.ipv6.arpa IN PTR www.grnet.gr.
- DNS queries are supported over IPv6
 - Not all root servers support it!
 - Broken IPv6 connectivity between host and server may influence the performance.



Web Hosting (HTTP)

Servers

- Apache2 (native), Apache 1.3 (patched)
- Internet Information Services (IIS) v4+
- If upgrade to IPv6-enabled version is not feasible, you may use reverse HTTP proxy!

Clients

 Mozilla, Firefox, Explorer, Opera, Konqueror, Lynx, Safari, etc

Proxies

Squid, Ffproxy, etc.



Other basic services (1/2)

- Electronic Mail (SMTP)
 - Multiple servers
 - Sendmail (8.10+), MS Exchange, Qmail (patch), Postfix (patch), Exim
 - Multiple clients
 - Mozilla, Thunderbird, etc.
 - MX records support IPv6 entries
- File Transfer (FTP)
 - Multiple servers
 - ProFTPD (www.proftpd.org),
 - Multiple clients
 - Lftp (Iftp.yar.ru/), tnftp, cftp, web browsers, etc



Other Basic Services (2/2)

- Dynamic Host Configuration (DHCP)
 - "Stateful" DHCPv6 (RFC 3315)
 - Similar to IPv4 counterpart protocol
 - Advertise more than IP addresses!
 - Stateless DHCPv6 (RFC 3736)
 - Advertise only no-IP related info
 - Combine it with IPv6 Stateless autoconfiguration (RFC2462)
- Network Synchronisation (NTP)
 - IPv6-enabled server & client available (<u>www.ntp.org</u>)
 - Alternative solutions
 - RIPE Test Traffic Measurement
 - Meinberg NTP server (commercial product)



Management tools

- SNMP and MIBs
- Basic tools
- Tools (protocols & graphs)
- Tools (monitor & measure)

Management tools is a *strict* requirement for every IPv6/4 network



SNMP & MIBs

- IPv6-related MIBs
 - Unified IPv4/6 MIBs are standards except BGP4
- SNMP over IPv6
 - SNMP queries over IPv6 are supported from most vendors
- Implementation issues
 - Different levels of support: mixture of private, IPv6standard MIBs, Unified MIBs.



Basic tools

- Most commercial routers support IPv6 connections over SSH and TELNET
 - Periodic scripts can retrieve information from the routers over IPv6
- TFTP over IPv6 is also well supported
 - Software images/configuration can be transported over IPv6



Tools (protocols & graphs)

- ASPath_Tree (carmen.ipv6.tilab.com/ipv6/download.html)
- Looking Glass (w6.loria.fr)
- IPFlow/Netflow
- Mping (mping.uninett.no)
- Cricket (cricket.sourceforge.net)
- MRTG&Weathermap (netmon.grnet.gr/weathermap/)
- RIPE Test Traffic Measurement

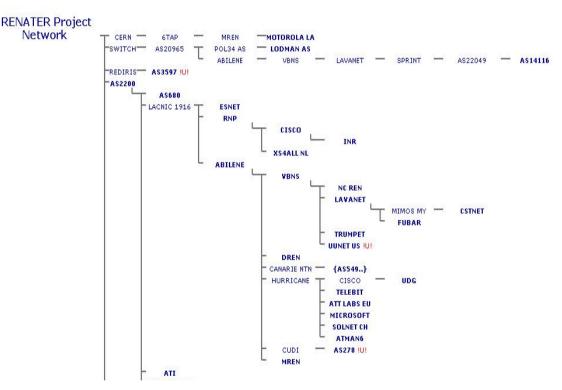


ASpath-Tree

Network

- Displays interdomain network "topology" by collecting BGP routing table
- Automatic generation of HTML pages.

Renater The whole IPv6 BGP table



http://www.join.uni-muenster.de/bgp/bgp.html



Looking Glass

- Get information from a router via a Web interface
- End user don't need to login to router
- Allows the user to detect causes of failures w/o asking the NOCs

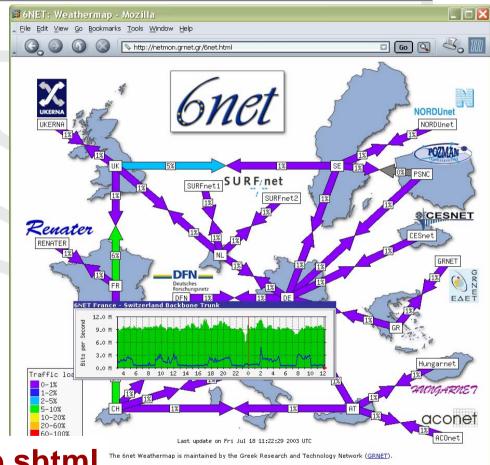


http://netmon.grnet.gr/lg.shtml



Weathermap

- SNMP-based network traffic grapher
- Monitor the link utilisation



http://netmon.grnet.gr/map.shtml



Tools (monitor and measure)

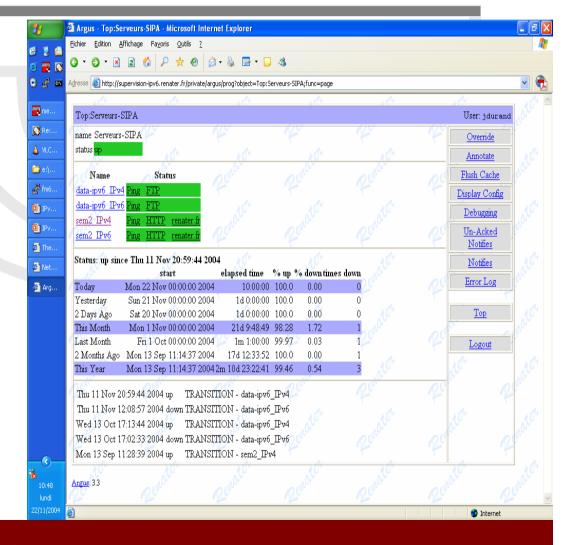
- Argus (<u>argus.tcp4me.com</u>)
- Nagios (<u>www.nagios.org</u>)
- Ethereal (<u>www.ethereal.com</u>)
- Multicast Beacon (<u>dast.nlanr.net/Projects/Beacon</u>)
- iperf (dast.nlanr.net/Projects/Iperf)
- ntop (<u>www.ntop.org</u>)
- Open_Eye/Panoptis (panoptis.sourceforge.net)



Argus

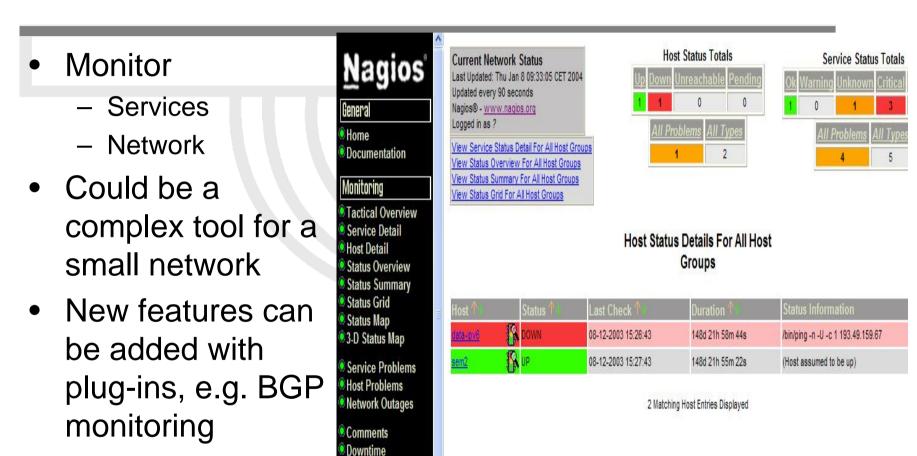
Monitor

- Network element status, e.g. PCs, switches, routers. etc
- Node availability
- Traffic
- Services, e.g.http, ftp, dns,imap, smtp, etc
- Easily extendible





Nagios

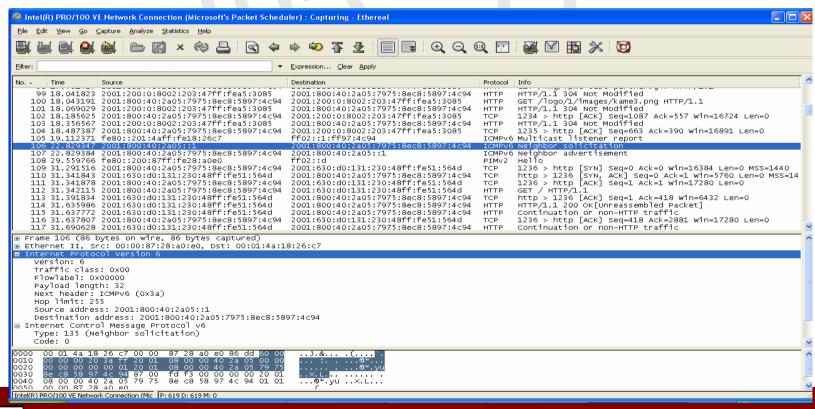




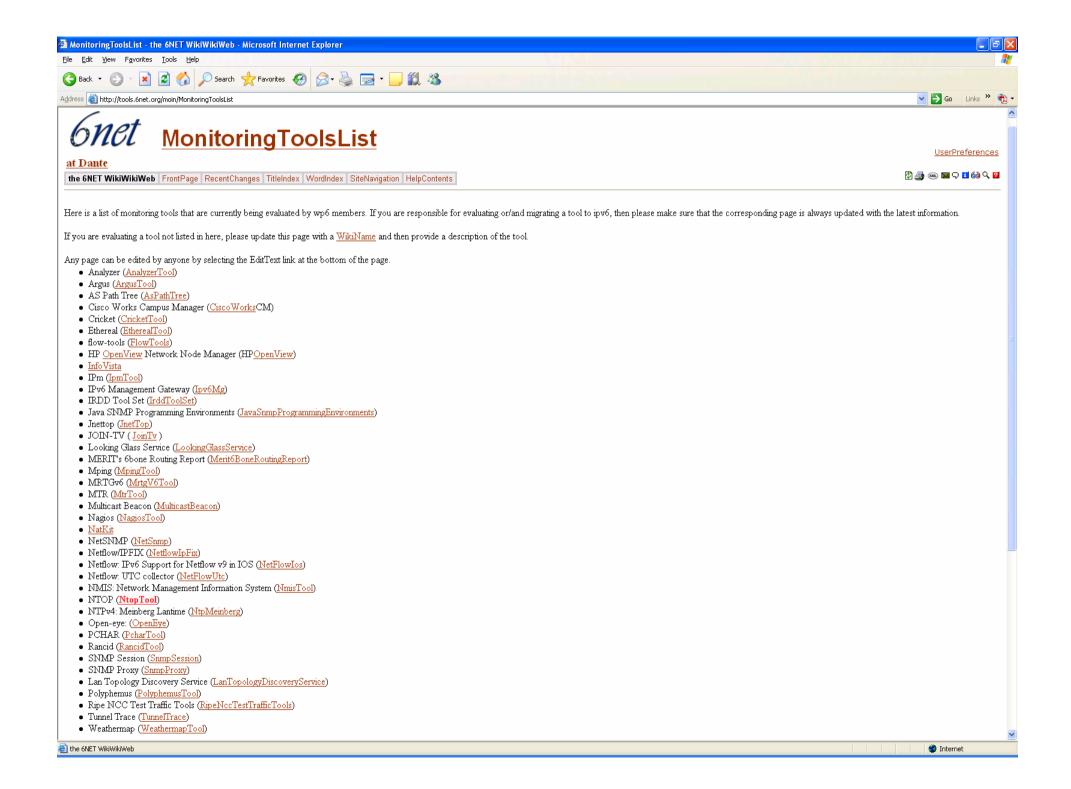
Process Info Performance Info Scheduling Queue

Ethereal

- Packet capturing tool
- Useful for connectivity and troubleshooting
- Available for most platforms







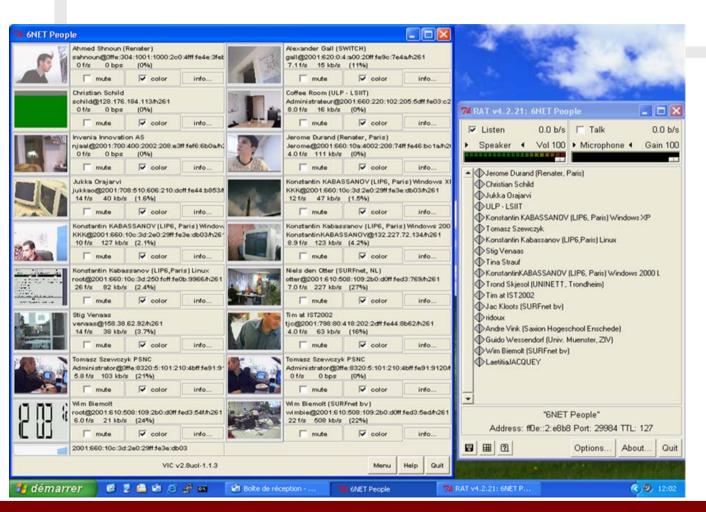
Some IPv6-enabled applications

- Real-time videoconference and media streaming
 - GnomeMeeting, Softphone, OpenMCU, VideoLAN, DVTS, MPEG4IP(Darwin Stream Server), VIC/RAT, NTE etc.
- Directory Services
 - OpenLDAP, Sun iPlanet
- On-line games
 - Quake
- E-business solutions
 - WEB Sphere portal



Snapshots of videoconferencing

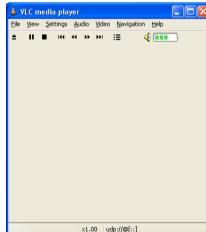
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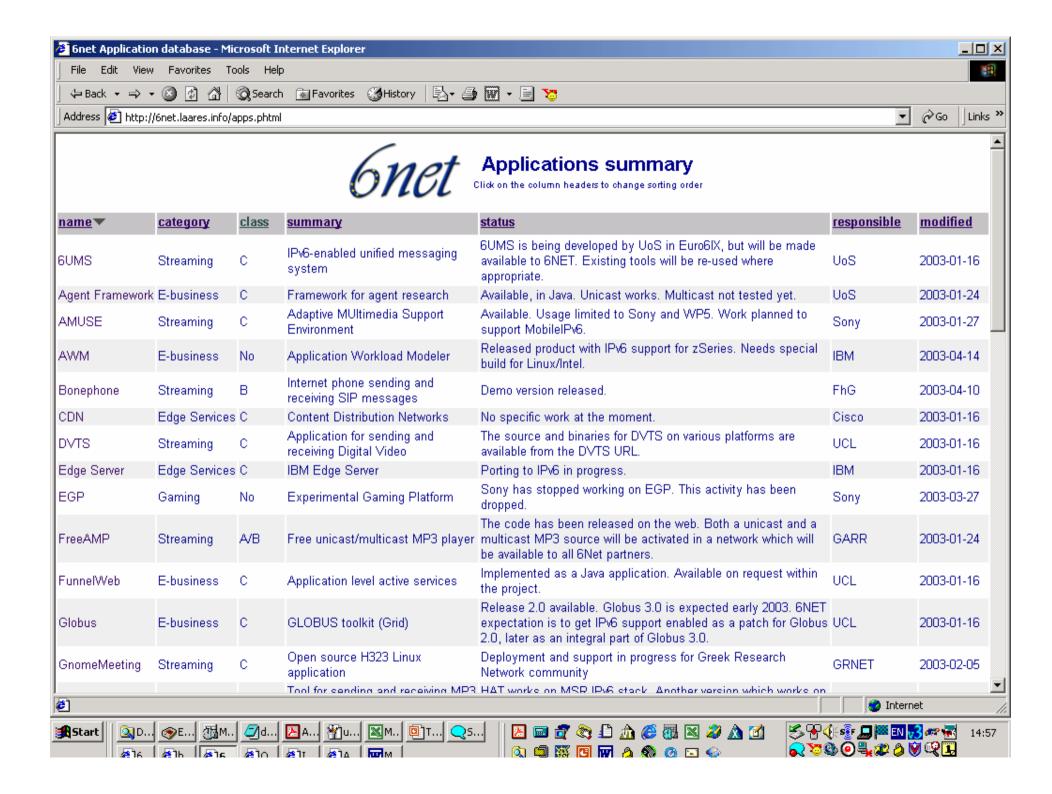


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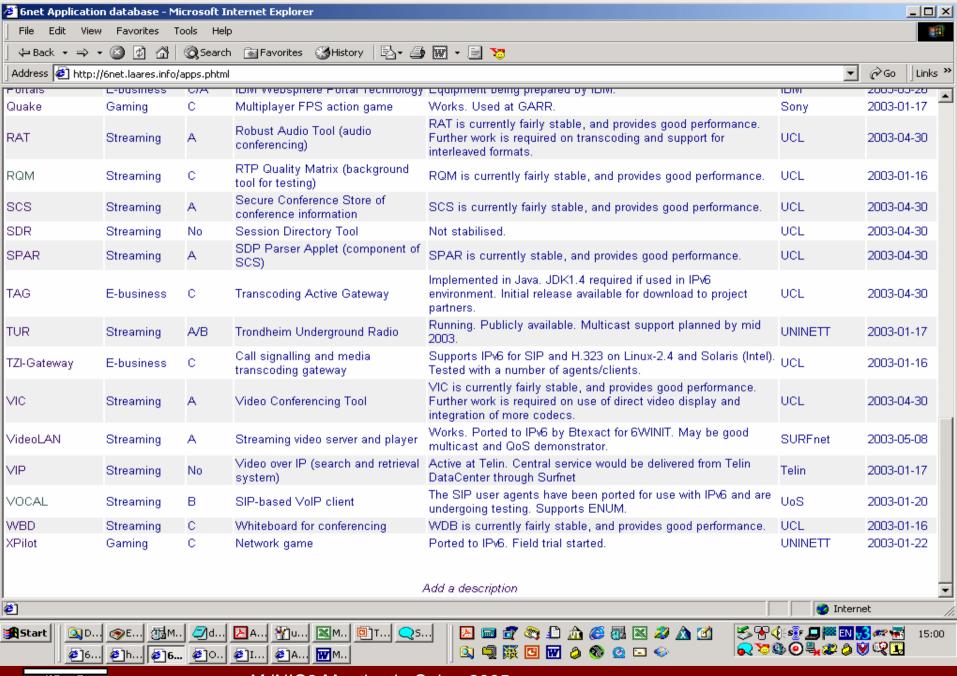
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Further info

- 6NET (www.6net.org)
 - D6.3.3 Final Report on IPv6 Management and Monitoring Architecture Design, Tools and Operational Procedures – Recommendations
 - D6.2.4 Final Report on IPv6 Management Tools,
 Developments and Tests
- 6NET monitoring tool list (tools.6net.org)



Questions?

Thank you!

