



## Tunnels leading to somewhere

VPN, IPv6, etc

Native when you can, Tunnel when you must

# Tunnels



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BC Rockies  
Snow  
Tunnel



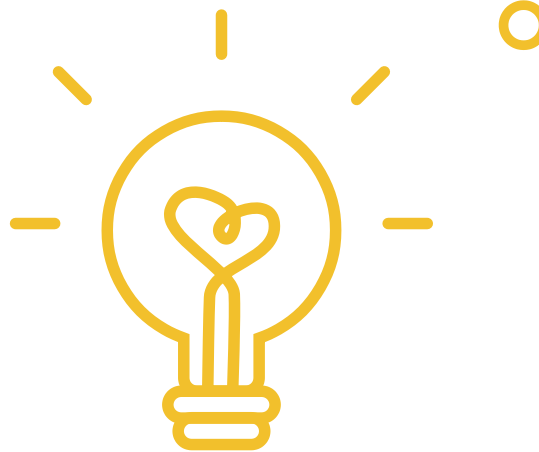
Chicago  
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Tunnel to the  
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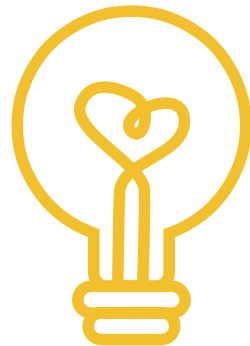


NRC  
Wind  
Tunnel



# Network Tunnels

- Tunnels are just encapsulation of one protocol in another
  - Virtual Private Networks
  - IPv6 inside IPv4 (protocol 41)
  - Carrier Ethernet (MAC in MAC)
  - PPPoE
  - Not TLS/SSL



# VLANs are just Tunneling

- Ethernet/VLAN ID/IP

- [https://packetlife.net/media/captures/802\\_1ad.pcapng.cap](https://packetlife.net/media/captures/802_1ad.pcapng.cap)

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
1	0.000000	192.85.1.22	192.85.1.14	IPv4	1500	Unknown (253)
2	0.000019	192.85.1.23	192.85.1.15	IPv4	1500	Unknown (253)

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▶ Frame 1: 1500 bytes on wire (12000 bits), 1500 bytes captured (12000 bits) on interface \\.\pipe\vi
▶ Ethernet II, Src: Performa_00:00:14 (00:10:94:00:00:14), Dst: Performa_00:00:0c (00:10:94:00:00:0c)
▶ IEEE 802.1ad, ID: 30
▶ 802.1Q Virtual LAN, PRI: 0, DEI: 0, ID: 100
▶ Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 192.85.1.22, Dst: 192.85.1.14
▶ Data (1454 bytes)
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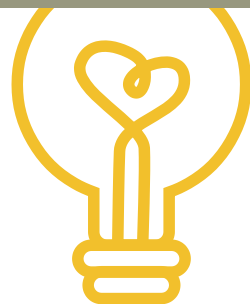
# IPSec Tunnel

- Ethernet/IP/ESP

- <https://packetlife.net/media/captures/IPv6-ESP.pcapng.cap>

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
1	0.000000	2001:470:e5bf:1001:8519:2...	2001:470:e5bf:dea...	ESP	62	ESP (SPI=0x49507636)

▶ Frame 1: 62 bytes on wire (496 bits), 62 bytes captured (496 bits) on interface \Device\NPF\_{E29A5FA1-5F27-435E-AF55...  
▶ Ethernet II, Src: Cisco\_c9:0b:81 (54:75:d0:c9:0b:81), Dst: LiteonTe\_f9:49:f6 (68:a3:c4:f9:49:f6)  
▶ Internet Protocol Version 6, Src: 2001:470:e5bf:1001:8519:2d1f:c57d:fc4f, Dst: 2001:470:e5bf:dead:7db0:921:a2e9:1c21  
▼ Encapsulating Security Payload  
ESP SPI: 0x49507636 (1230009910)  
ESP Sequence: 541414224



# VPN with AH & ESP

- Authenticated Header (AH) Data Integrity

- [https://packetlife.net/media/captures/IPsec\\_ESP-AH\\_tunnel\\_mode.cap](https://packetlife.net/media/captures/IPsec_ESP-AH_tunnel_mode.cap)

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
1	0.000000	10.0.0.1	10.0.0.2	ESP	194	ESP (SPI=0x48dac2e4)
2	0.008010	10.0.0.2	10.0.0.1	ESP	194	ESP (SPI=0xfb5128a6)
3	0.023991	10.0.0.1	10.0.0.2	ESP	194	ESP (SPI=0x48dac2e4)
4	0.031999	10.0.0.2	10.0.0.1	ESP	194	ESP (SPI=0xfb5128a6)

- ▶ Frame 1: 194 bytes on wire (1552 bits), 194 bytes captured (1552 bits)

- ▶ Ethernet II, Src: c2:00:57:75:00:00 (c2:00:57:75:00:00), Dst: c2:01:57:75:00:00 (c2:01:57:75:00:00)

- ▶ Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 10.0.0.1, Dst: 10.0.0.2

- ▼ Authentication Header

- Next header: Encap Security Payload (50)

- Length: 4 (24 bytes)

- Reserved: 0000

- AH SPI: 0x8179b705

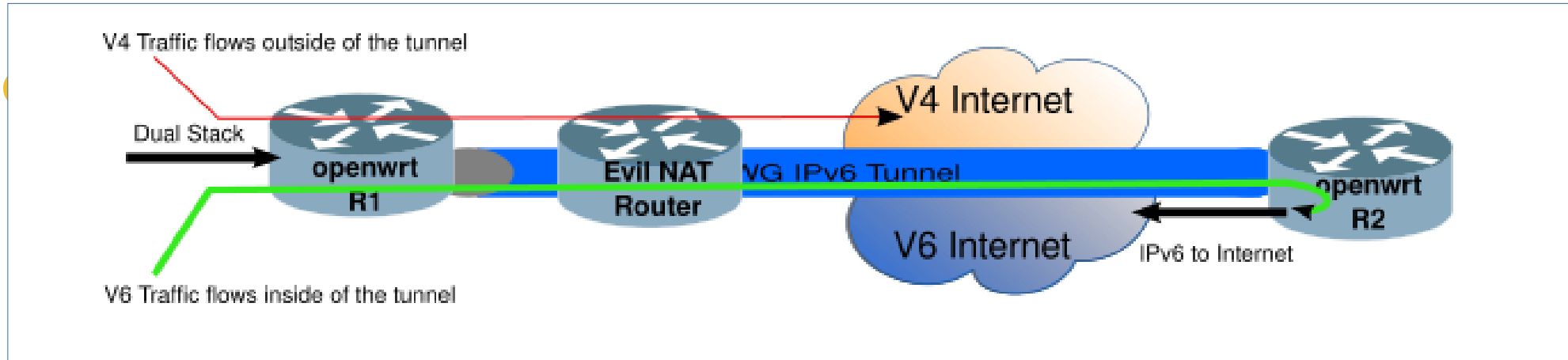
- AH Sequence: 1

- AH ICV: 27cfc0a5e43d69b3728ec5b0

- ▶ Encapsulating Security Payload

# VPN Leakage

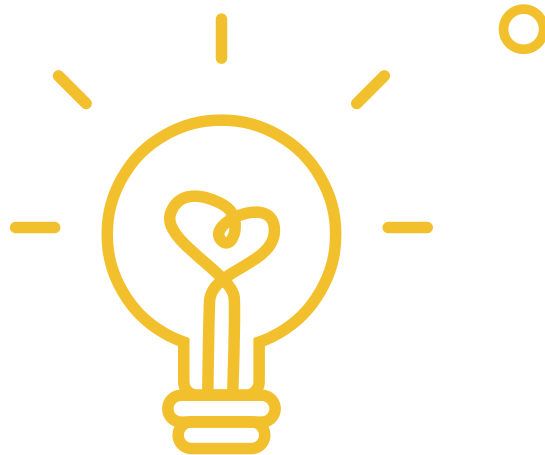
- Leakage is when traffic does not flow through the VPN tunnel
  - Most often happens when VPN provider doesn't support IPv6. Solution: Get a better provider





# Tunnels within tunnels

- If Encapsulating is good, then adding more encapsulations must be better right?
  - MTU (Max Transfer Unit) limitations
  - Overhead



# Encapsulation on Encapsulation

- IPv6/IPv4/GRE/PPP/IPv4/UDP

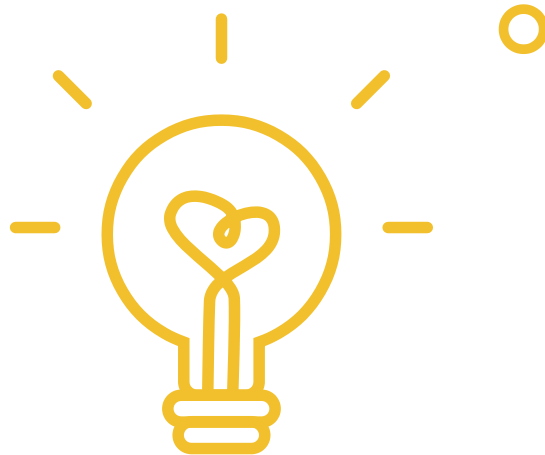
- [https://packetlife.net/media/captures/gre\\_and\\_4over6.cap](https://packetlife.net/media/captures/gre_and_4over6.cap)

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
1	0.000000	172.16.44.3	8.8.8.8	DNS	197	Standard query 0xa62c AAAA
2	0.213894	8.8.8.8	172.16.44.3	DNS	268	Standard query response 0xa

- ▶ Frame 1: 197 bytes on wire (1576 bits), 197 bytes captured (1576 bits)
- ▶ Ethernet II, Src: JuniperN\_f2:61:3d (00:12:1e:f2:61:3d), Dst: c5:00:00:00:82:c4 (c5:00:00:00:82:c4)
- ▶ 802.1Q Virtual LAN, PRI: 0, DEI: 0, ID: 100
- ▶ Internet Protocol Version 6, Src: 2402:f000:1:8e01::5555, Dst: 2607:fc0:100:2300::b108:2a6b
- ▶ Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 16.0.0.200, Dst: 192.52.166.154
- ▶ Generic Routing Encapsulation (PPP)
- ▶ Point-to-Point Protocol
- ▶ Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 172.16.44.3, Dst: 8.8.8.8
- ▶ User Datagram Protocol, Src Port: 40768, Dst Port: 53
- ▶ Domain Name System (query)

# Common non-VPN Tunnels

- Tunnels are more than just VPNs or VLANs
  - Accessing the Internet, PPPoE
  - Accessing the whole Internet Protocol 41



# PPPoE Tunnel

- PPPoE is often used by DSL ISPs

- [https://packetlife.net/media/captures/PPPoE\\_Dual-Stack\\_IPv4\\_IPv6-with\\_DHCPv6.cap](https://packetlife.net/media/captures/PPPoE_Dual-Stack_IPv4_IPv6-with_DHCPv6.cap)

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
34	6.183000	fe80::ce05:eff:fe88:0	ff02::2	ICMPv6	70	Router Solicitation
35	6.247000	fe80::c801:eff:fe88:8	fe80::ce05:eff:fe...	ICMPv6	86	Router Advertisement
36	11.182000	fe80::ce05:eff:fe88:0	ff02::1:2	DHCPv6	120	Solicit XID: 0xfc24ab CID: 00
37	11.234000	fe80::c801:eff:fe88:8	fe80::ce05:eff:fe...	DHCPv6	166	Advertise XID: 0xfc24ab CID:
38	11.260000	fe80::ce05:eff:fe88:0	ff02::1:2	DHCPv6	134	Request XID: 0xfc776 CID: 00
39	11.330000	fe80::c801:eff:fe88:8	fe80::ce05:eff:fe...	DHCPv6	166	Reply XID: 0xfc776 CID: 0003
40	12.736000	ca:01:0e:88:00:06	cc:05:0e:88:00:00	PPP LCP	60	Echo Request
41	12.750000	cc:05:0e:88:00:00	ca:01:0e:88:00:06	PPP LCP	60	Echo Reply

- ▶ Frame 36: 120 bytes on wire (960 bits), 120 bytes captured (960 bits)
- ▶ Ethernet II, Src: cc:05:0e:88:00:00 (cc:05:0e:88:00:00), Dst: ca:01:0e:88:00:06 (ca:01:0e:88:00:06)
- ▶ PPP-over-Ethernet Session
- ▶ Point-to-Point Protocol
- ▶ Internet Protocol Version 6, Src: fe80::ce05:eff:fe88:0, Dst: ff02::1:2
- ▶ User Datagram Protocol, Src Port: 546, Dst Port: 547
- ▶ DHCPv6

# Protocol 41 IPv6 in IPv4

- Used by Hurricane Electric

- [https://packetlife.net/media/captures/IPv6\\_in\\_IP.cap](https://packetlife.net/media/captures/IPv6_in_IP.cap)

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
1	0.000000	2001:db8:0:1::1	2001:db8:0:1::2	ICMPv6	134	Echo (ping) request id=
2	0.008035	2001:db8:0:1::2	2001:db8:0:1::1	ICMPv6	134	Echo (ping) reply id=0>
3	0.016001	2001:db8:0:1::1	2001:db8:0:1::2	ICMPv6	134	Echo (ping) request id=
4	0.024016	2001:db8:0:1::2	2001:db8:0:1::1	ICMPv6	134	Echo (ping) reply id=0>

▶ Frame 1: 134 bytes on wire (1072 bits), 134 bytes captured (1072 bits)  
▶ Ethernet II, Src: c2:00:42:02:00:00 (c2:00:42:02:00:00), Dst: c2:01:42:02:00:00 (c2:01:42:02:00:00)  
▶ Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 10.0.0.1, Dst: 10.0.0.2  
▶ Internet Protocol Version 6, Src: 2001:db8:0:1::1, Dst: 2001:db8:0:1::2  
▶ Internet Control Message Protocol v6





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