

IPv6

What is it? Why do we need it?
How do we use it?

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Agenda

- Network Addressing
- IPv4 Addressing
- DNS (Domain Name System)
- RIR (Regional Internet Registry)
- Subnets, CIDR, Routing, NAT
- IPv4 Tech
- IPv4 Depletion
- IPv6 Tech
- Next Steps

What is a Network Address?

- The Internet is basically millions of computers on the Internet communicating and sharing information – connected by routers, switches, etc
- Any computer on a network needs a network address in order to communicate with other computers
- Your house has an address so that utility companies, friends, etc can communicate with you (bills, post cards, etc).

What is an IP Address

- An *Internet Protocol (IP) address* is a unique number that identifies a device on the Internet.
- The popular IP addresses used today is version 4 (IPv4)
- IPv4 addresses are 32 bits in length but for human readable purposes they are divided into 4 groups of 8 bits called octets and converted to decimal form

Example of an IPv4 address

- 11010001010101011000000101100011
- 11010001.01010101.10000001.01100011
- 209.85.129.99

Who uses Internet IP addresses?

- Anyone that uses the Internet uses an IP address
- Every device directly connected to the Internet must have a unique IP address. They are used on home computers, web servers, routers, many handheld computers, cell phones, digital cameras, and other devices.

How do I get an Internet IP address?

- You most likely get an IP address from your Internet Service Provider (ISP). As a home Internet user, your ISP “dynamically” gives your computer a unique IP address to use while you’re on the Internet.
- Once you’ve closed your session and no longer need the IP address, the ISP may assign the same IP address to another user on the network.
- In some cases, users with specific needs can get a unique block of IP addresses from an ISP or from a Regional Internet Registry (RIR) like ARIN.

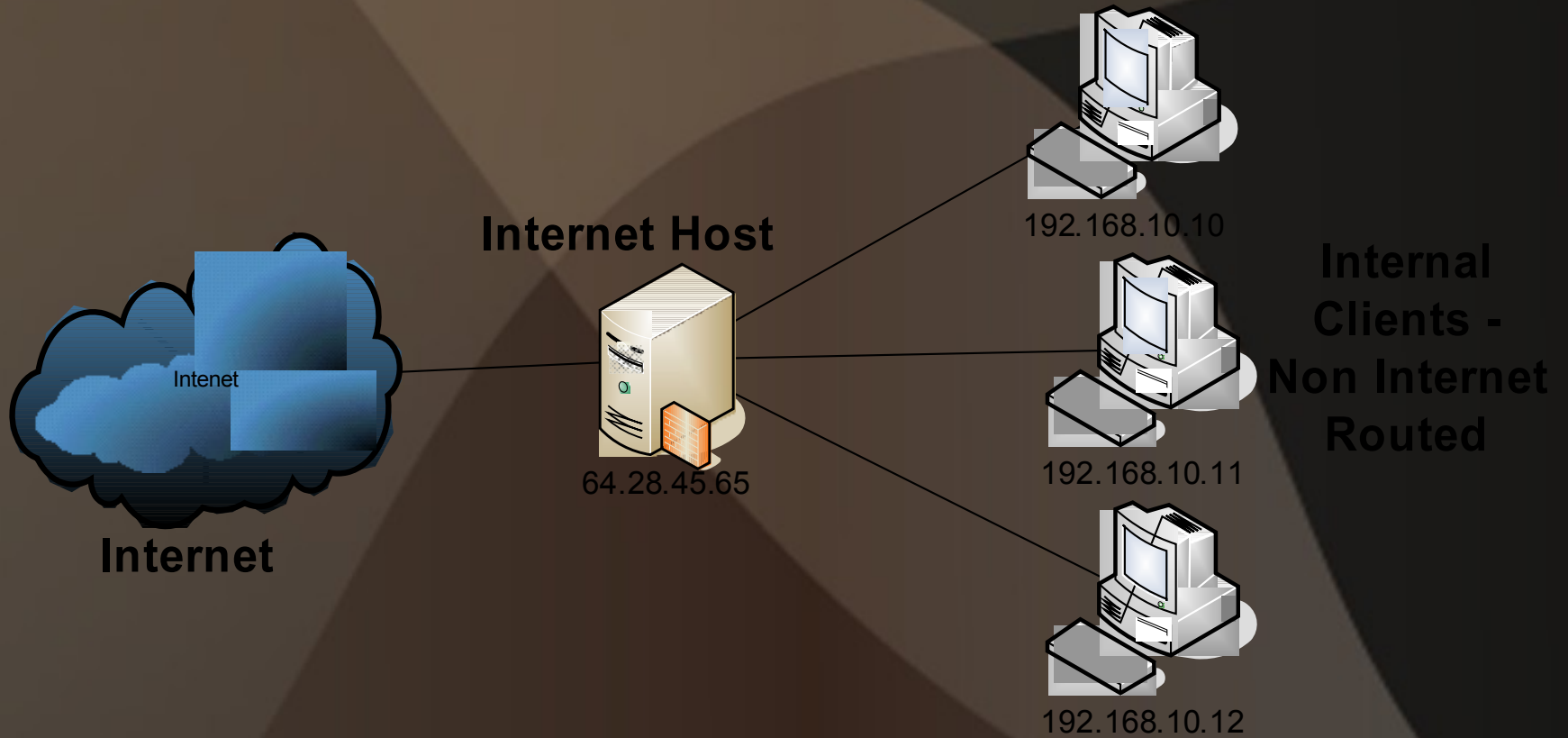
*I am not putting my network on the Internet,
can I use IP addresses for my network?*

- Yes – You can use the same technology that is used for building the Internet to apply to your private network
- Called an Intranet

How can I easily convert my private network to connect to the Internet?

- You can either give each device an Internet IP address (very difficult these days) or you can employ technologies such as proxy or NAT (Network Address Translation)

Simple NAT/Proxy Example



- No one “owns” IP addresses, so they’re not bought, sold, or traded.

Introducing DNS

- We do not need to remember IP addresses to get to web sites
- Eg `www.google.tt`, we do not normally type `http://209.85.129.99` (although we could).

On the Internet, you are nothing but an IP address!

www.afrinic.net
196.216.2.1

www.nro.net
193.0.0.131

www.apnic.net
202.12.29.20

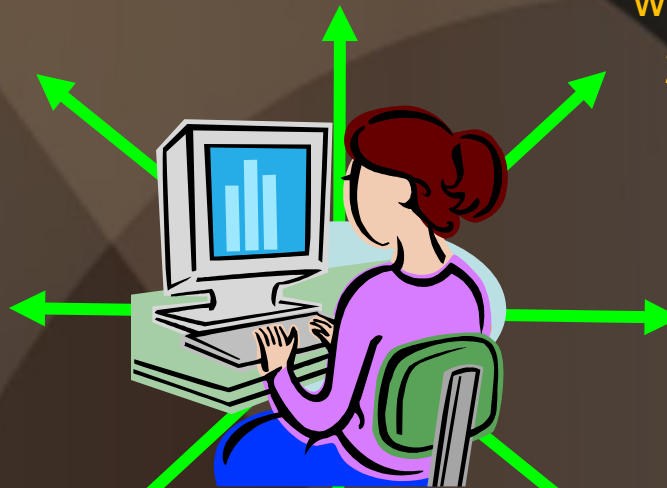
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www.arin.net
192.149.252.7

www.isoc.org
206.131.253.68

www.lacnic.net
200.160.2.15

www.ripe.net
192.0.0.214



Domain Name System (DNS)

- A domain name is a label that people use to find points on the Internet without having to remember strings of numbers.
- An example of a domain name is `www.arin.net`
- While an IP address is not property and cannot be bought, sold, or traded, a domain name may be considered intellectual property.

IP Addresses are Not Domain Names

IP Address	Domain Name
Computer-friendly	People-friendly
Identifier	Reference
Unique number identifies computer on the Internet	Host name mapped to an IP address
Used for routing	Not used for routing

Questions so far?

RIR System

- The Regional Internet Registry (RIR) system began in 1992
- They are responsible for allocating IP addresses to customers
- There are five RIRs
- RIRs coordinate closely with the Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA)
- RIRs are nonprofit organizations

The Regions



RIR Structure

Nonprofit	Membership-driven	Community-regulated
Fee for services, not resources	Open	Community-developed policies
100% community-funded	Broad-based	Member-elected executive boards
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Registration services• Organization services• Policy Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Public sector• Private sector• Civil society	Open and transparent

Anatomy of an IP address

- Although the IPv4 address is a 32 bit number, there is some structure to it.
- Every IP address can be divided into two parts:
 - A network address (network number/subnet)
 - A node address (within the network)
- The network and node address is determined using a **subnet mask**
- Therefore all nodes within the same subnet will have the same network number
- The network address is used by routers to determine the destination of IP packets

Subnet Mask Example 1

- IP address: 192.168.100.40
- Subnet mask 255.255.255.0 \equiv /24 (CIDR)
- Means first 24 bits of the address is the network number: 192.168.100.0
- Last 8 bits (last octet) is the node number (40)
- All IP addresses within the subnet will be of the form 192.168.100.x
- 24 bits for the network address means 2^{24} possible networks with each network having approx. 2^8 nodes

CIDR (Classless Inter-Domain Routing)

- Subnet mask 255.255.224.0
- Means first 19 bits of the address is the network number
- CIDR Convention: /19
- E.g. /8 means the network number is the first 8 bits => 16.7 million hosts in the network
- /8 \equiv 255.0.0.0

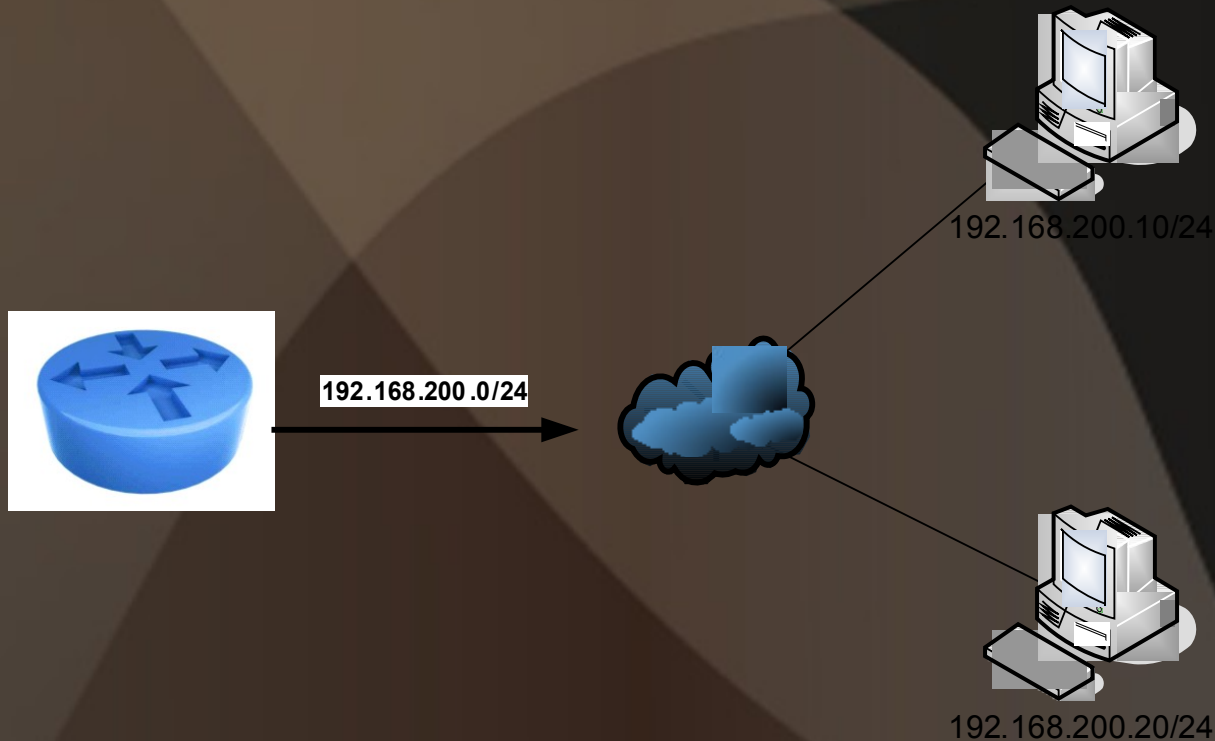
Subnet Mask Example 2

- 10.216.55.107
- Subnet mask 255.0.0.0 \equiv /8
- Means first 8 bits of the address is the network number: 10.0.0.0
- Last 24 bits is the node number 216.55.107
- All IP addresses within the subnet will be of the form 10.x.x.x
- 8 bits for the network address means 2^8 possible networks with each network having approx. 2^{24} nodes
- /8's are the largest networks that RIRs give out

Uses of Network Numbers

- The network number is comparable to the town or country of your address
- Used by routers to route packets more efficiently
- More efficient to route since the router keeps tracks of blocks or network addresses instead of individual addresses
- Therefore easier for a router to route 10.0.0.0/8 instead of the equivalent 16.7 million individual entries!
- Note that a subnet can be broken up into smaller subnets if needed.

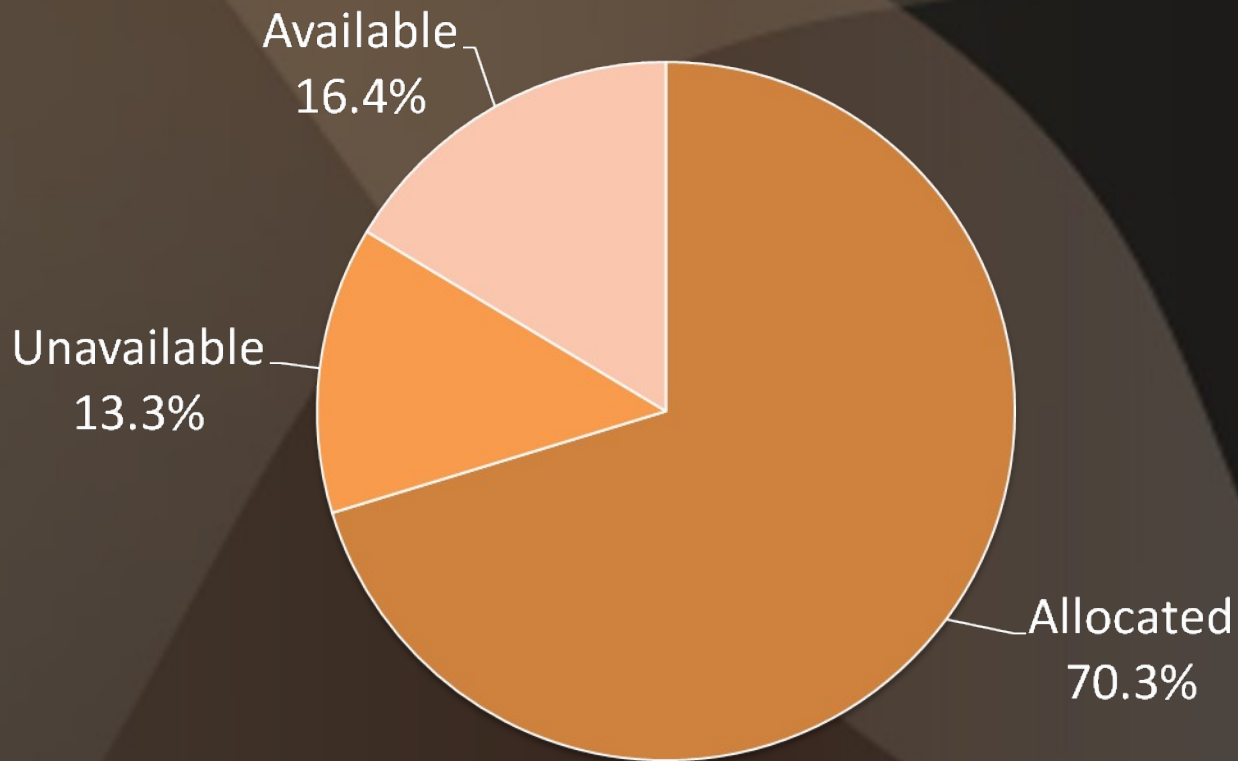
Simple Route Summarization Example



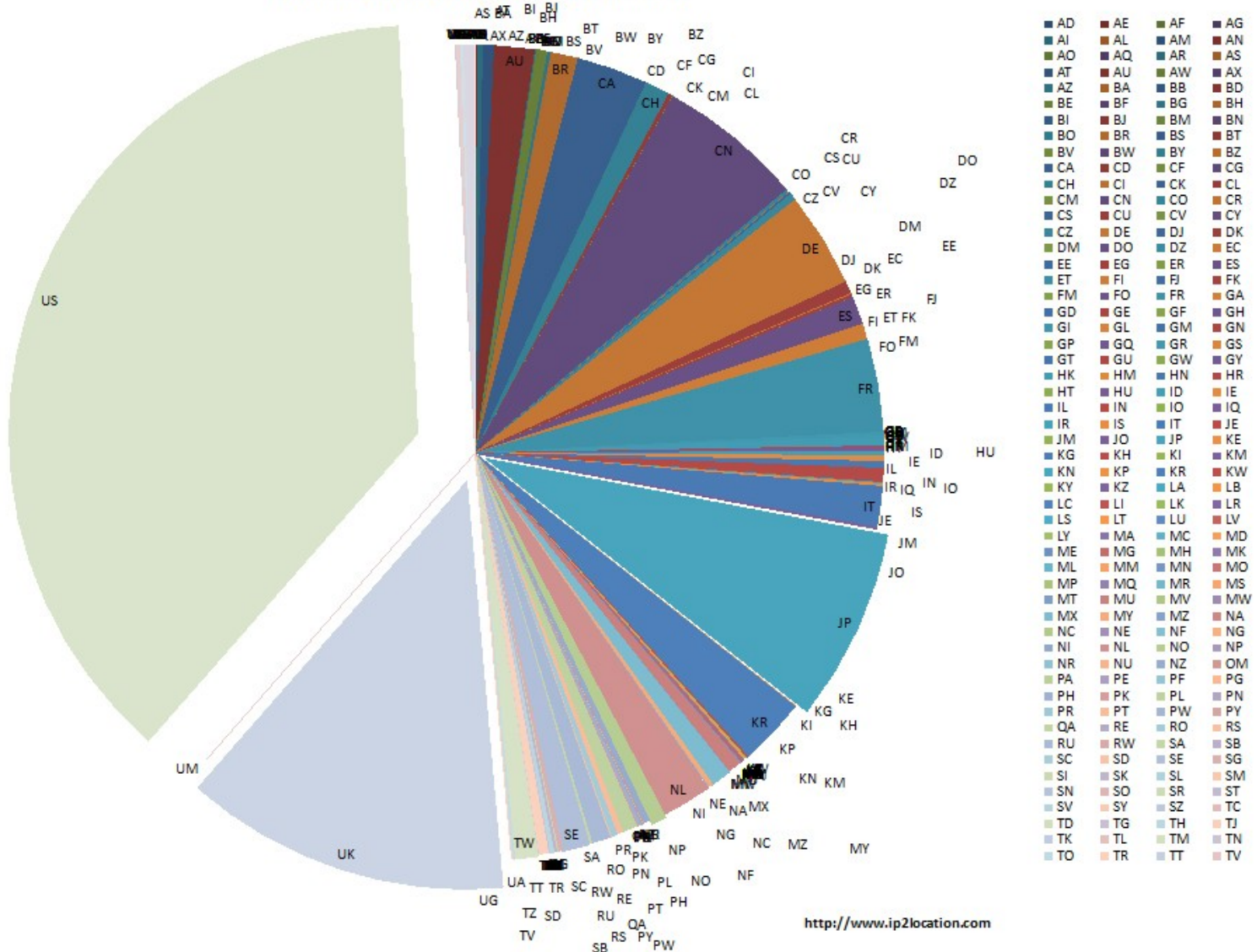
IPv4 Depletion

- Since IPv4 is a 32 bit number
- => there are $2^{32} \approx 4.2$ Billion IPv4 addresses
- Removing special IP addresses e.g. loopback, non-routed (private), reserved, multicast, etc means there are significantly less than theoretical maximum
- There are 256 x /8 addresses available in the world but some are reserved
- 7 billion people ?!?! - Note that **China** and **India** are barely online !

IPv4 – Internet Address Space Utilization



Worldwide IP Address Distribution by Country in 2007



Summarization of Statistics

RIRs are consistently allocating over
10 /8s per year

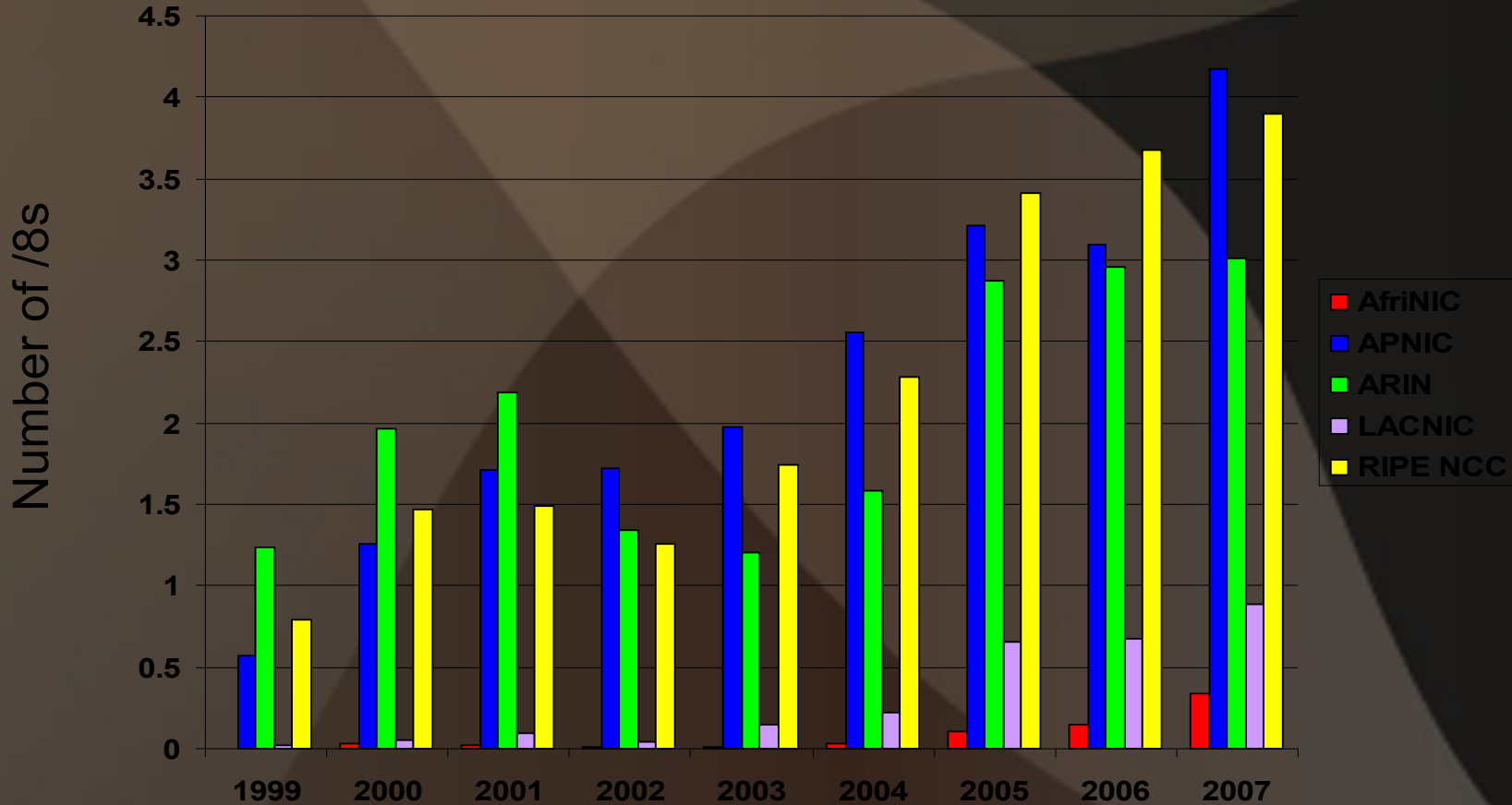
The RIRs collectively allocated over
12 /8s for the first time in 2007

Number of /8s remaining in IANA's
unallocated pool:

/8 = 16,777,216 IP addresses

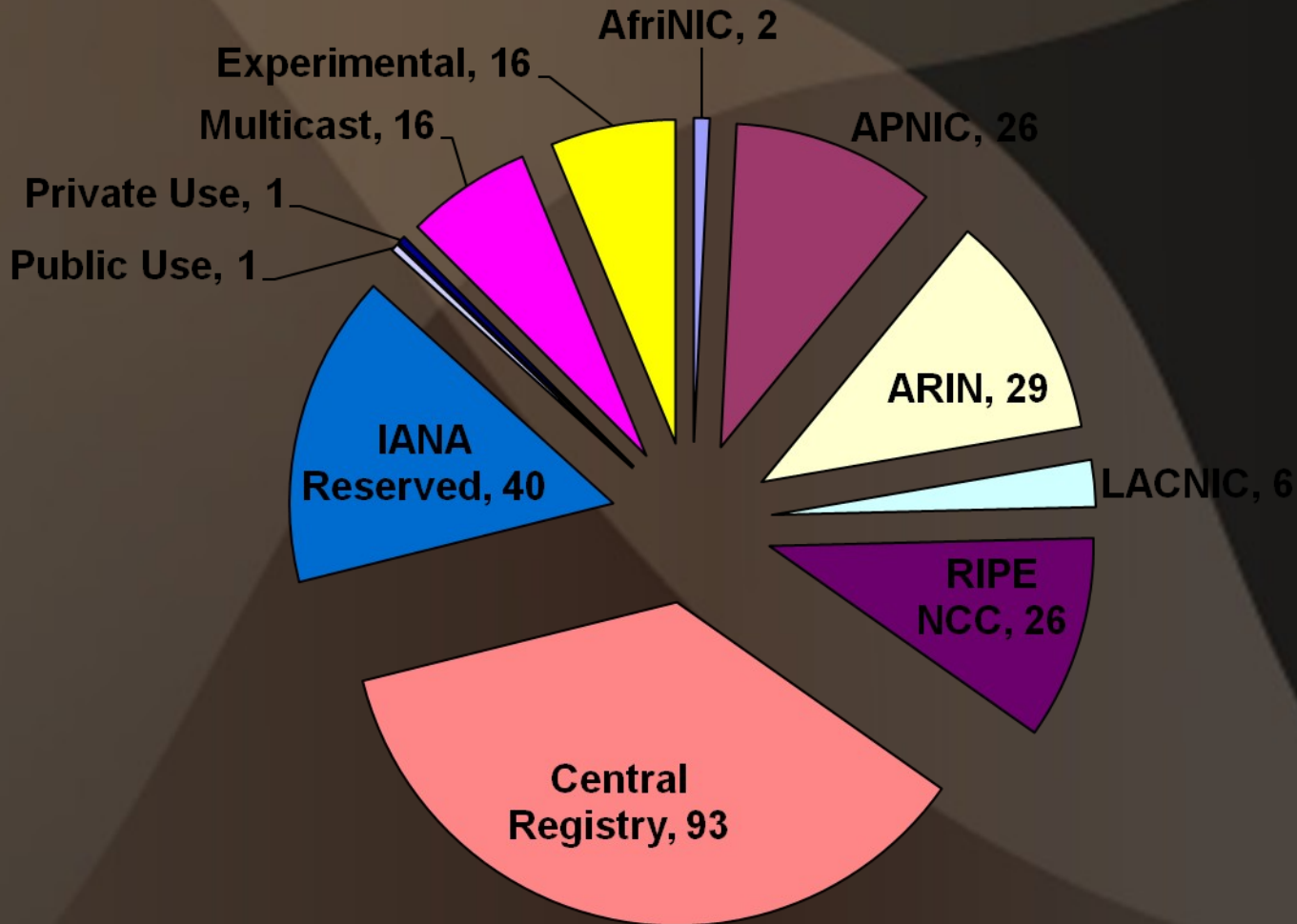
IPv4 Allocations RIRs to LIRs/ISPs

Yearly Comparison

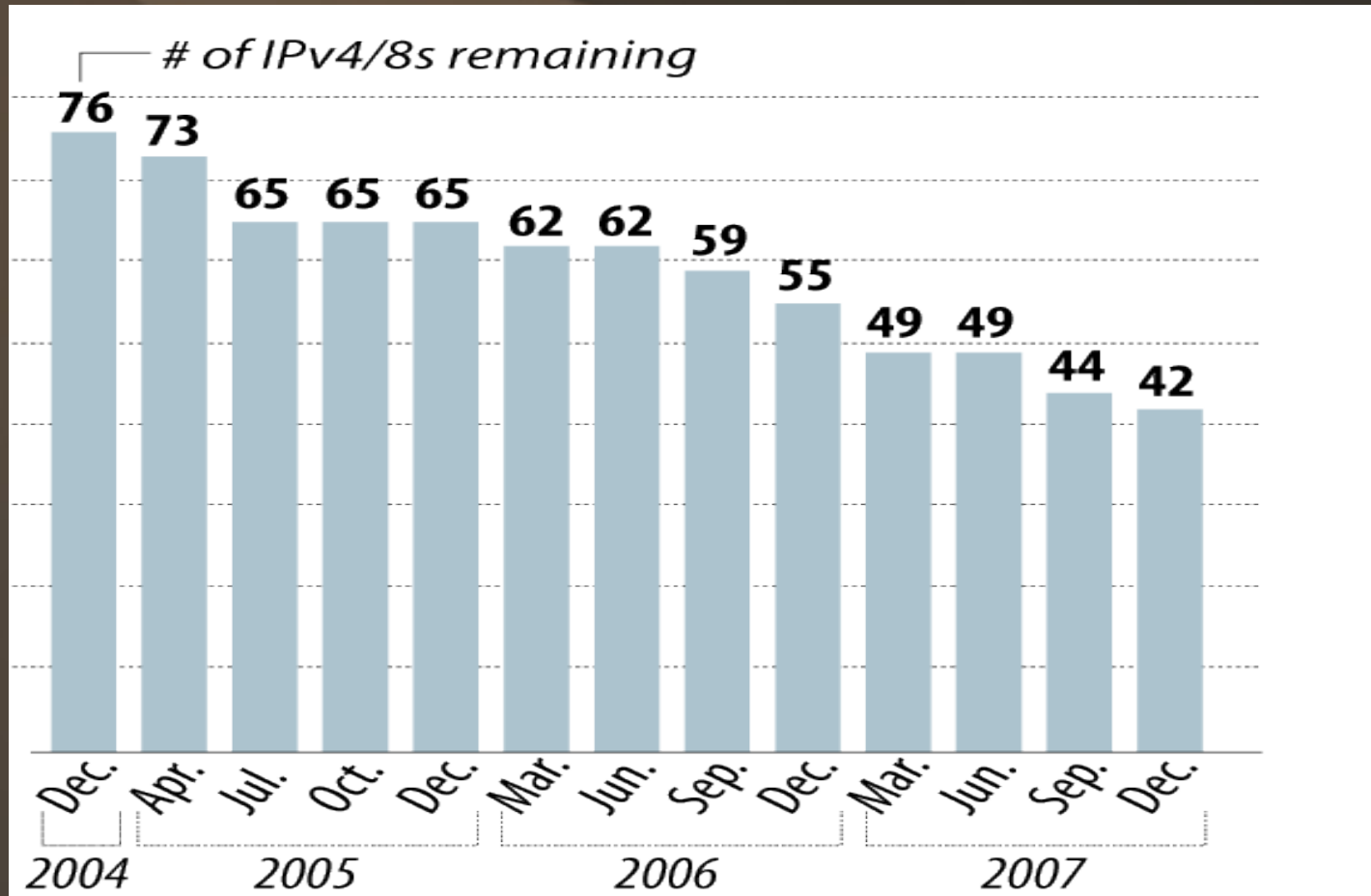


Status of 256 /8s

IPv4 Address Space



IPv4 - Address Space Trend



/8 = 16,777,216 IP addresses.

Projections

- ARIN makes no predictions
 - But we watch others' predictions closely
- What we know
 - RIRs allocated 13 /8s last year
 - There are 42 /8s left as of December 31
 - Allocation requests may increase as demand continues

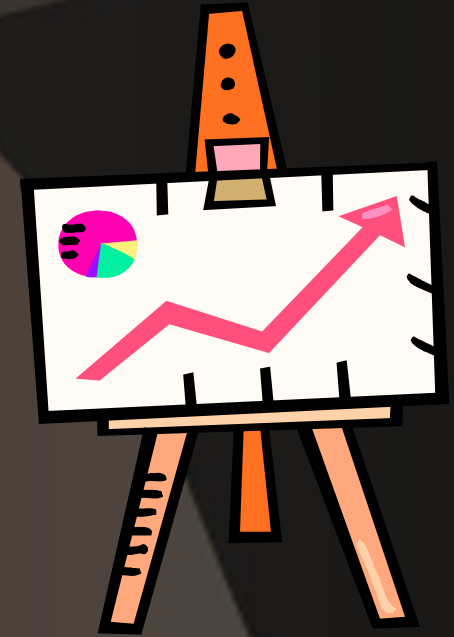
Situation



- Current Source of Contiguous Address Space is IPv4
- This Supply is Diminishing

The Simple Solution

- Get New Source of Contiguous Address Space
- This Supply is IPv6



What Could Happen?

- IPv4 Demand Continues
- Frantic IPv6 Deployment
- NAT Use Increases

Why Are NATs Not Adequate?

- they won't work for large numbers of “servers”, i.e., devices that are “called” by others (e.g., IP phones)
- they break most current IP multicast and IP mobility protocols
- they break many existing applications
- they limit the market for new applications and services
- they compromise the performance, robustness, security, and manageability of the Internet

The Bottom Line



- We're running out of IPv4 address space.

Questions?

IPv6

- Whilst IPv4 is a 32 bit address, IPv6 is a 128 bit address
- What is 2^{128} ?
- 340 billion-billion-billion-billion IP addresses
- Is it enough?

IPv4 and IPv6

Internet Protocol version 4	Internet Protocol version 6
32-bit* number	128-bit* number
Dotted Decimal Notation <i>199.43.0.202</i>	Hexadecimal Notation <i>2001:500:4:1::80</i>
~4 billion IP addresses	340 billion-billion-billion- billion IP addresses

IPv6 notation

- Written as 8 groups of 4 hexadecimal numbers separated by colons
- One all zero contiguous block can be represented by a double colon ::
- Examples:
 - 2001:0dB8:ac10:fe01:abcd:567a:edca:8543
 - 2001:0db8:0000:0000:0000:ac10:f00d:3212
 - 2001:0db8::ac10:f00d:3212

IPv6 pool size compared to IPV4

“If all of IPv4 could fit in an iPod,
then IPv6 is the size of the entire
earth”

Allocation of Internet IPv6

- For an organisation (non-ISP) applying for a block of IPv6, the standard block is a /48
- /48 means 48 bits for the network address, and $128 - 48 = 80$ bits for the host number
- This means that a standard block of addresses has enough for 2^{80} hosts
- $2^{80} = 1,208,925,819,614,629,174,706,176$

- An ISP gets a /32 block
- /32 means $128 - 32 = 96$ bits for the host
- $2^{32} =$
79,228,162,514,264,337,593,543,950,336
- ccTLDs (.tt, .us, .jm, .etc) – get a /48 block
 - Montserrat is the only ccTLD in the Caribbean that applied for theirs

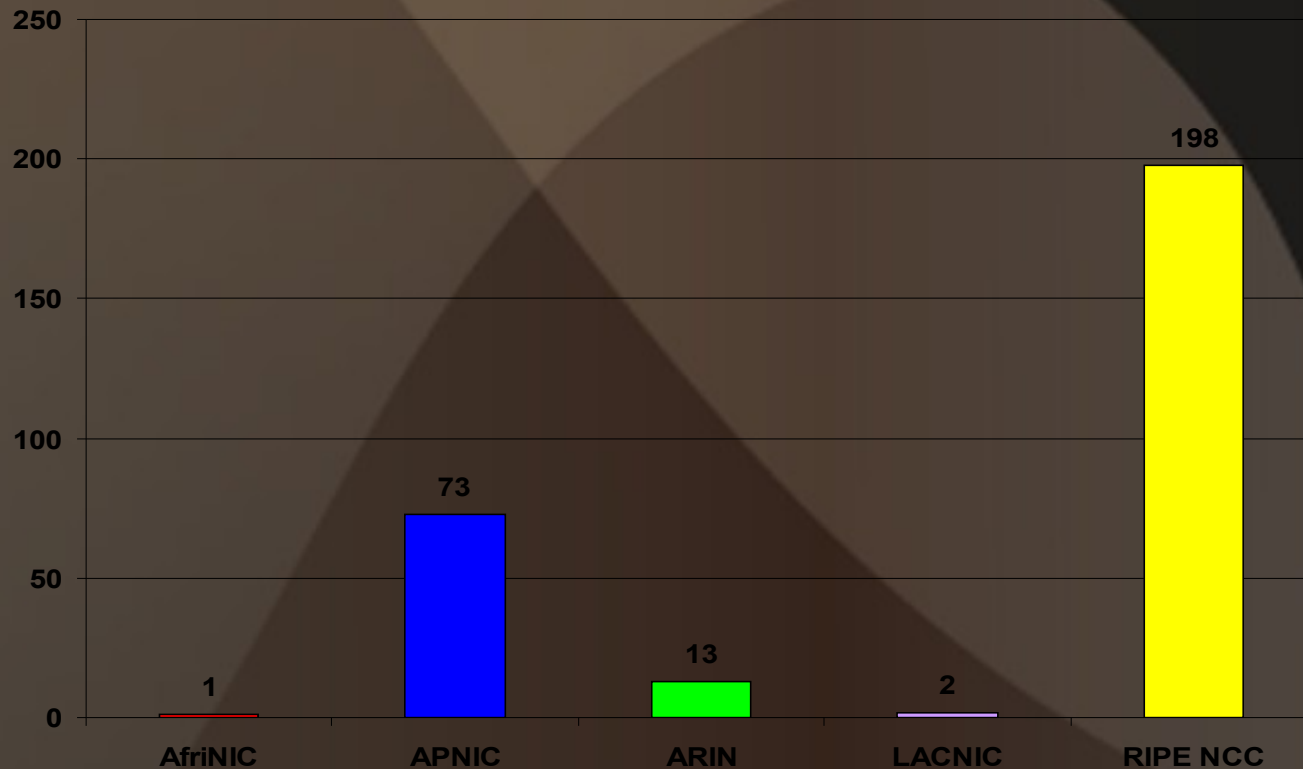
Why so many Addresses?

- Removal of dependency on NAT
 - Every device can easily have an Internet IPv6 address
 - When you connect to TSTT, you should get a block of addresses instead of just one
 - Static addresses for life should be more than possible
- Applications never before imagined
 - Nanobot addressing
 - Can put messages in an IPv6 addresses without adding to the payload
 - Interplanetary routing

- **Some persons have claimed that a /48 for customers is not enough!**

IANA IPv6 Allocations to RIRs

issued as /23s prior to Oct 06



IANA IPv6 Allocations to RIRs

issued Oct 06

RIR	IPv6 Address
AfriNIC	2C00:0000::/12
APNIC	2400:0000::/12
ARIN	2600:0000::/12
LACNIC	2800:0000::/12
RIPE NCC	2A00:0000::/12

Some /23s from the previous slide are incorporated in these /12s

Regionally:
*Can our organisation apply for a
block of IPv6?*

- NO – LACNIC is currently giving out to ISPs only
- There is a US\$2,500 processing fee once the application is approved
- But ARIN is giving their blocks for FREE!

What can we do?

- Organisations:
 - Lobby to your ISPs for IPv6 addresses – Dynamic addresses should be made extinct
 - Find out if your ISP can route IPv6 addresses
 - When available, apply for your IPv6 block and let your ISP know what you are doing

What can we do?

- Research IPv6 – Begin testing to prepare for IPv6 readiness – software and hardware upgrades:
 - Routers, Switches, Firewalls
 - Hosts (PCs, Servers)
 - Application Software
 - Network Management Software

What can we do?

- Since IPv6 is a totally separate network protocol, you can have it running concurrently on your PC and Server
- IT Staff and CSR Training

Your Next Steps when you get IPv6

- Make mail and web servers reachable via IPv6 in addition to IPv4
- Introduce IPv6 support into your product cycle as soon as possible
- Encourage customers to use IPv6 and test their applications over it as soon as possible.

- Home Users

- Ask your ISP about IPv6 readiness
- Find out if your PC, Cable Modem, Wireless Router, Cell Phone, etc is IPv6 ready
- How easy can it be configured?
 - Grandmother?

*Does the previous tips sound
familiar?*

Y2K?

Y2K? Maybe/Maybe not

- Moving target – estimated to exhaust in 3 years at present rate of consumption
- Maybe just an inconvenience?
 - Machines running IPv4 alone can only connect to IPv4 machines
 - Machines running IPv4 alone can only connect to IPv4 machines
 - Machines with both IPv4 and IPv6 can connect to either
 - DNS is the key (A, AAAA records)

What the Future Holds

- The Internet will have two IP versions at the same time (IPv4 & IPv6) - this is the “dual-stack” approach.
- For a brief while, IPv6 poses no benefit at all and real work to support (as all customers who have IPv6 also have IPv4)
- At some point, there will be IPv6-only Internet users being connected by the ISP community
- Your content clients are not going to accept not being reachable to newer Internet customers, and will find a way to fix this quickly.

Consequences

- Today, there are organizations attempting to reach mail and web servers via IPv6.
- In the near future, there will be organizations that have **NO CHOICE** but to reach mail and web servers via IPv6.

Consequences

- No Access to Internet Services
 - IPv6-only Networks
 - IPv6-only Users
- Routing Table Fragmentation
 - NAT Use Increase
 - Other Markets Develop



Web Links

- <http://www.getipv6.info>
- <http://www.ttcsweb.org/ipv6>
- www.arin.net
- www.lacnic.net
- <http://www.nro.net/statistics/index.html>

Questions?

Thank You