

## IPv4 Exhaustion:

- The IPv4 addresses were originally administered by the IANA (Internet Assigned Number Authority) but as the Internet grew IANA decided to hand out the job to **Regional Internet Registers (RIR)**
- There are only around 4.2 billion IPv4 IP addresses. Around 2011 the IPv4 addressing space was nearly completely allocated so IANA couldn't provide more blocks to regional Internet registers
- Some organisations are now returning unused IPv4 addresses, allowing the Regional Internet registers to reallocate them
  
- To combat exhaustion
  - we move to Classless Inter-domain routing (CIDR)
  - Network address translation
  - IPv6
  
- **Network Address Translation (NAT):**
  - In the past, each device would need a public IP address in order to be routed over the Internet
  - Network Address Translation: Allows for multiple devices (with private IP addresses) to use a single public IP address. So allow each household to only require a single public IP address therefore slows down IP address running out
  
- **Network Address Translation Operation: (Every router)**
  - Contains a network address translation table
    - Stores the mappings between the private IP address + port number combination to → public IP address + port number combination
    - Mappings are created when a device tries to communicate outside of the local network

## NAT disadvantages:

- User Identification (related to carrier NATs):
  - NAT also makes it difficult to identify individual users on the network
  - So if a user behind a NAT does something bad then investigation would point to all users on the NAT not just the specific user
  - Therefore, if we block the IP address it would ban all the users (in your house. Think if my IP is banned on Warcraft 3 all the devices are banned)
- Application connectivity:
  - So basically NAT mappings are created on demand when a device wants to send a packet outside the local network
  - If an external host wants to send traffic back to our device it can't because network address translation breaks end-to-end nature
    - Use static NAT (port forwarding to solve)

## IPv6:

- Is 128 bits that is divided into 16 bits (8)
- Better Integrated of Ip security
- Subnet Mask: Always in slash notation Called **Prefix LINK**
  - **Routing Prefix:** 48 bit or more (Network portion)
  - **Subnet ID:**
  - **Interface Identifier:** 64 bits (Host portion)

## Condensing IPv6: Steps

- Line through leading 0 or starting (anything starting with 0)
- Add only TWO IN TOTAL :: between largest leading 0
  - If 4x 0's then leave 1 zero value

## IPV6 Transmissions:

- **Multicast** : a packet is delivered to a group of host
- **Any cast:** Packets is delivered to one member of the any cast group. The member closest to sender will be the responder

## Approaches to transitioning IPV4 → IPV6

- Government initiatives: Japan or countries setting deadlines for adoption
- Industry driven initiatives: ISP adopting IPv6