

IPv4 and IPv6 Addressing

Campus Network Design & Operations Workshop



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IP Addresses

- Internet connected networks use two types of IP Addressing
 - IPv4 – "legacy" Internet protocol
 - IPv6 – new Internet protocol
- Presentation describes IPv4 addresses and IPv6 addresses & addressing
- The Campus Network Design Workshop labs use both IPv4 and IPv6 for all exercises
 - Dual stack network (both protocols running in parallel)



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 - 2^{32} which is 4,294,967,296 addresses
- Conventionally represented as four dotted decimal octets
- If you turn on all bits this is:

A diagram illustrating a 1024-bit vector partitioned into four 256-bit segments. The top row shows a sequence of 1024 bits, grouped into four blocks of 256 bits each. The first block is purple, the second is blue, the third is yellow, and the fourth is green. Below the sequence, a black bar represents the entire 1024-bit vector, with a white segment in the middle representing the 256-bit segment. Below the bar, the numbers 255, 255, 255, and 255 are written in purple, blue, yellow, and green respectively, separated by dots, indicating the size of each segment.

Can you explain why $1111111 = 255$ in decimal?

IPv4 Addresses

- Remember binary mathematics!
- Each bit is basically to the power of 2. First bit from right is 2^0 , second bit is 2^1 and so on to the eighth bit which is 2^7 .

$2^7 2^6 2^5 2^4 2^3 2^2 2^1 2^0$
 11111111

- This means that :
- $11111111 = 1 \times 2^7 + 1 \times 2^6 + 1 \times 2^5 + 1 \times 2^4 + 1 \times 2^3 + 1 \times 2^2 + 1 \times 2^1 + 1 \times 2^0$
- $11111111 = 128 + 64 + 32 + 16 + 8 + 4 + 2 + 1 = 255$



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128 . 223 . 157 . 19

Can you explain why 00010011 = 19 in decimal?



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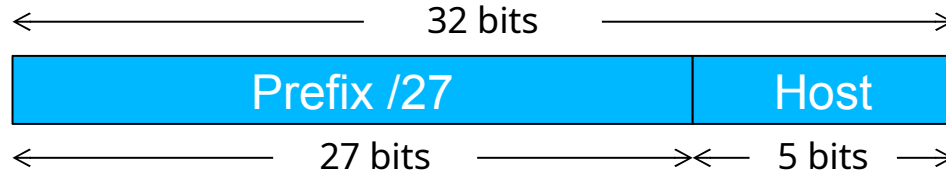
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00010011

- $00010011 = 0 \times 2^7 + 0 \times 2^6 + 0 \times 2^5 + 1 \times 2^4 + 0 \times 2^3 + 0 \times 2^2 + 1 \times 2^1 + 1 \times 2^0$
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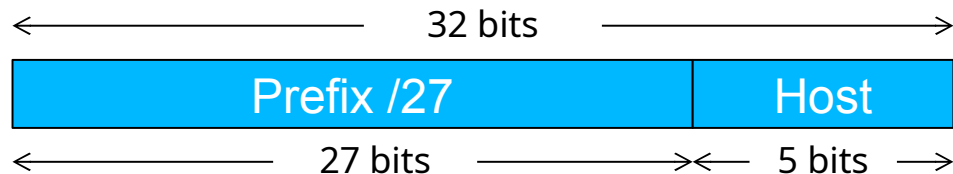
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 - What are the lowest and highest addresses?



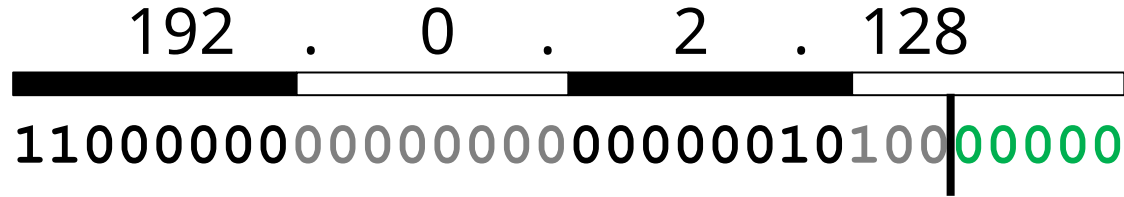
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 - Number of bits for the host = $32 - 27 = 5$ bits
 - Number of available addresses = $2^5 = 32$



Prefix Calculation



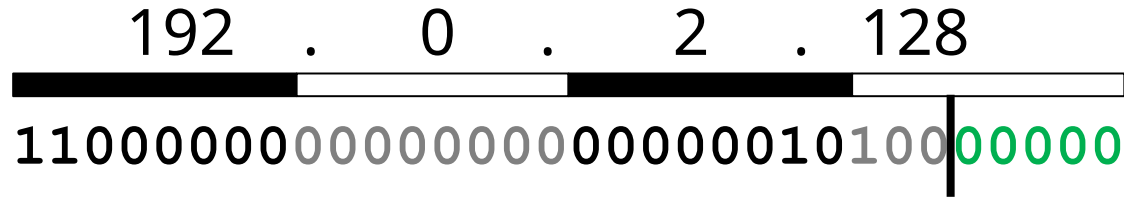
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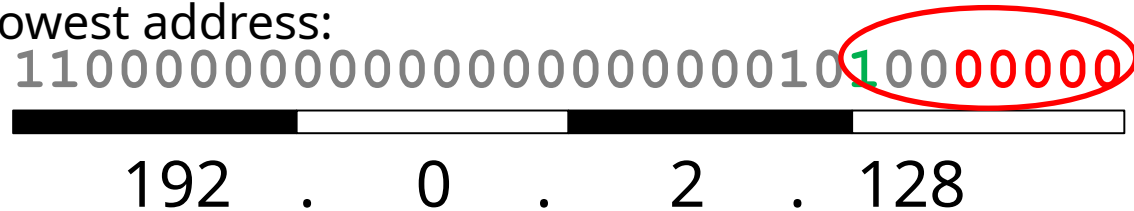


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192 . 0 . 2 . 128



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Highest address:

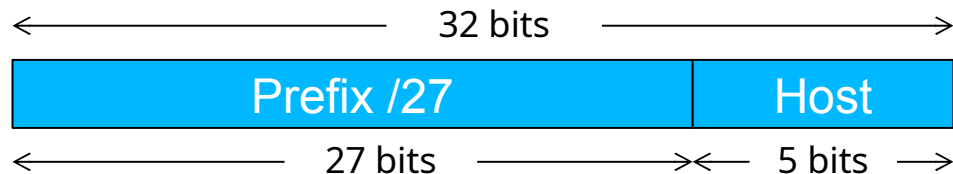
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192 . 0 . 2 . 159



IPv4 “Golden Rules”



1. All hosts on the same L2 network must share the same prefix
2. All hosts with the same prefix have different host part
3. Host part of all-zeros and all-ones are reserved



Golden Rules for 192.0.2.128/27

- Lowest 192.0.2.128 = network address
- Highest 192.0.2.159 = broadcast address
- Usable: 192.0.2.129 to 192.0.2.158
- Number of usable addresses: $32 - 2 = 30$



Exercises

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Hint...

10 . 10 . 10 . 0



0000101000001010000010100|0000000
0000101000001010000010100|1111111

Prefix length /25 → First 25 bits are fixed



An Edge Case

- How many usable addresses in a /30 prefix?
- What is this used for?
 - (Note: modern routers support /31 for this purpose to reduce IPv4 address wastage)



An Edge Case

- How many usable addresses in a /30 prefix?
 - Number of host bits is $32 - 30 = 2$
 - Number of addresses is $2^2 = 4$
 - Number of usable address is $4 - 2 = 2$
- What is this used for?
 - Used for Point-to-Point links



Netmask

- Netmask is just an alternative (old) way of writing the prefix length
- A '1' for a prefix bit and '0' for a host bit
- Hence N x 1's followed by (32-N) x 0's

/27 =

1111111111111111111111111111111100000



255 . 255 . 255 . 224

How did we get to 224?



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Netmask

/27 =

11111111111111111111111111111111111100000



255 . 255 . 255 . 224

How did we get 224?

$$128 + 64 + 32 = 224$$

Or: 5 bits = 32 IPs (2^5)

$$256 - 32 = 224$$

What about a “/26” ?

What about a “/28” ?

<https://nsrc.org/workshops/2009/summer/ref/netmask-table.html>

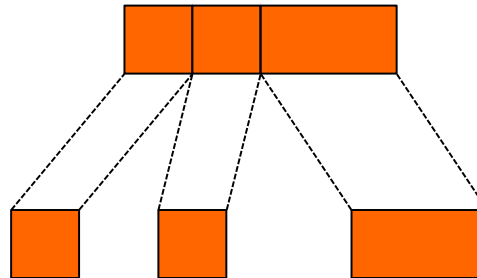


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Subnetting

- Since each L2 network needs its own prefix, then if you route more than one network you need to divide your allocation
- Ensure each prefix has enough IPs for the number of hosts on that network



End User
Allocation

Subnets



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Subnetting Example

- You have been given 192.0.2.128/27
- However, you want to build two Layer 2 networks and route between them
- The Golden Rules demand a different prefix for each network
- Let's split this address space into two equal-sized pieces



Subnetting /27

192 . 0 . 2 . 128



Move one bit from host part to prefix



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110000000000000000000000010100000000

Move one bit from host part to prefix

We now have two /28 prefixes

110000000000000000000000010100000000

192 . 0 . 2 . 128

Second prefix:

110000000000000000000000010100010000

192 . 0 . 2 . 144

How did we get “144” for the second prefix?

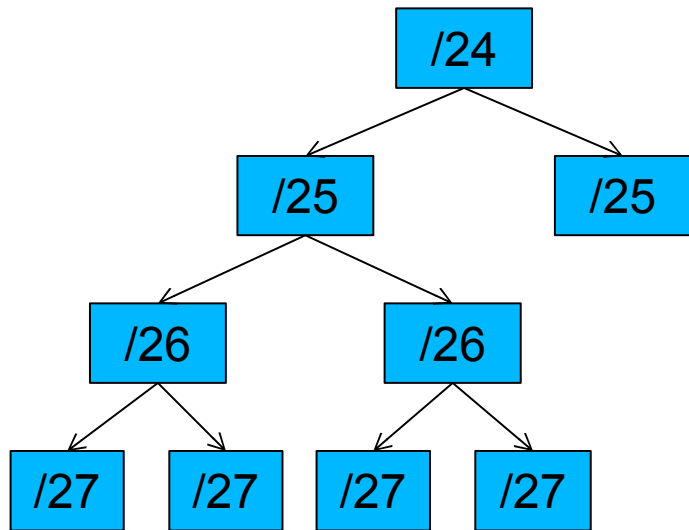
Check correctness

- Expand each new prefix into lowest and highest
- Ranges should not overlap
 - 192.0.2.128/28
 - Lowest (network) = 192.0.2.128
 - Highest (broadcast) = 192.0.2.143
 - 192.0.2.144/28
 - Lowest (network) = 192.0.2.144
 - Highest (broadcast) = 192.0.2.159
 - How many usable addresses now?



Aggregation tree

- Continue to divide prefixes as required
- Can visualize this as a tree



Visual tools

Once your brain can do it, there are tools to help, for example:

visualsubnetcalc.com

Visual Subnet Calculator

Network Address

192.0.2.0 ✓

Network Size

24 ✓

Go

Tools ▾

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Subnet Address	Range of Addresses	Usable IPs	Hosts	Note	
192.0.2.0/27	192.0.2.0 – 192.0.2.31	192.0.2.1 – 192.0.2.30	30		
192.0.2.32/27	192.0.2.32 – 192.0.2.63	192.0.2.33 – 192.0.2.62	30		
192.0.2.64/27	192.0.2.64 – 192.0.2.95	192.0.2.65 – 192.0.2.94	30		
192.0.2.96/27	192.0.2.96 – 192.0.2.127	192.0.2.97 – 192.0.2.126	30		
192.0.2.128/25	192.0.2.128 – 192.0.2.255	192.0.2.129 – 192.0.2.254	126		

Split/Join

/27

/27

/27

/27

/25

/26

/26

/25

/24

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NSRC
Network Startup Resource Center

Command-line tools

ipcalc (Linux, macOS, Windows: uses Perl)

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$ ipcalc 192.0.2.0/24
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Address:	192.0.2.0	11000000.00000000.00000010. 00000000
Netmask:	255.255.255.0 = 24	11111111.11111111.11111111. 00000000
Wildcard:	0.0.0.255	00000000.00000000.00000000. 11111111
=>		
Network:	192.0.2.0/24	11000000.00000000.00000010. 00000000
HostMin:	192.0.2.1	11000000.00000000.00000010. 00000001
HostMax:	192.0.2.254	11000000.00000000.00000010. 11111110
Broadcast:	192.0.2.255	11000000.00000000.00000010. 11111111
Hosts/Net:	254	Class C



Questions about IPv4?



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- Conventionally represented in hexadecimal – 8 words of 16 bits, separated by colons

2607:8400:2880:0004:0000:0000:80DF:9D13



Hexadecimal

4 bits
= 1 hex digit

0000	0	1000	8
0001	1	1001	9
0010	2	1010	A
0011	3	1011	B
0100	4	1100	C
0101	5	1101	D
0110	6	1110	E
0111	7	1111	F

4 hex digits
= 16 bits

0000 = 0000 0000 0000 0000
FFFF = 1111 1111 1111 1111

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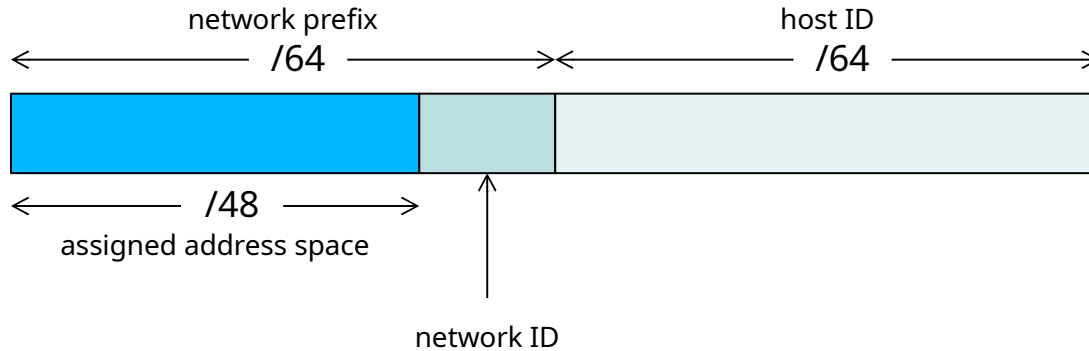
- With IPv6, every subnet is /64 ^(*)
- The remaining 64 bits can be assigned by hand, or picked automatically
 - all-zeros address is reserved ^(*) - *Subnet-Router Anycast address*
- There are special prefixes
 - e.g. link-local addresses start with FE80::
- Total available IPv6 space is $\approx 2^{61}$ subnets
 - Global unicast addresses have first 3 bits set to 001

(*) Except /127 recommended for point-to-point links (RFC 6164), in which case the all-zeros address is allowed



IPv6 addressing

- Typical end-user allocation is /48 or /56 (*dependent on ISP policy*)

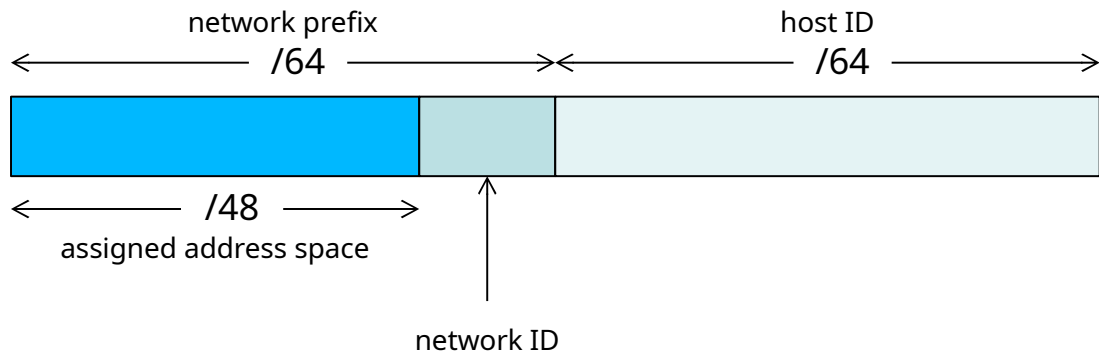


- How many /64 networks can you build from a /48 allocation?



IPv6 addressing

- Consider an end-user allocation of /48



- How many /64 networks can you build from a /48 allocation?
 - IPv6 address is 128 bits which means you have $128 - 64 - 48 = 16$ bits
 - Number of networks = $2^{16} = 65,536$



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 - 2001:DB8:123:FFFF::/64



Ways to allocate the host part

- We recommend manual configuration for servers
 - Gives a persistent and predictable address
- Choose any scheme that you like, e.g.
 - Can number sequentially from ::1
 - Can use the last octet of the IPv4 address
 - Can embed the whole IPv4 address in the lower 32 bits
 - e.g. 2607:8400:2880:4::80DF:9D13
 - 80DF9D13 hex = 128.223.157.19 in decimal
 - Can also be written as 2607:8400:2880:4::128.223.157.19



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- Or use DHCPv6
 - Gives you DHCP logs and non-changing addresses
 - Consistent with how you manage IPv4 address allocation
 - Unfortunately, Android does not support DHCPv6



Additional client configuration

- Default gateway is learned via Router Advertisements
 - even if you are using DHCPv6
- Router advertisements can provide recursive DNS servers (RDNSS) and DNS search list (DNSSL) settings
 - But clients may need additional configuration that DHCP traditionally does
- This means that there are three variations you may come across
 - SLAAC only
 - SLAAC + stateless DHCPv6 for extra client configuration
 - Stateful DHCPv6 + Router Advertisements for default gateway



Link local addresses

- All clients also assign themselves a link-local address
- Starts with FE80:
 - May see explicitly scoped to an interface, e.g. FE80::1%eth0
- Remainder of address auto-generated from MAC address (like SLAAC), or can be manually overridden
- Can only be used for communication on the same LAN segment
 - But link-local addresses can be used for next hop, e.g. default gateway
- Comparable to 169.254.0.0/16 in IPv4



Other notes on IPv6

- Mostly similar to IPv4, e.g. forwarding, prefix matching
- Loopback address is ::1
 - Equivalent to IPv4 127.0.0.1
- “ARP” is replaced by “NDP” (Neighbor Discovery Protocol)
- “TTL” is renamed to “Hop Limit”
- Beware of “Duplicate Address Detection” (DAD)
 - Many vendors implement this in such a way that any address conflict causes one side to *permanently* disable the address until the interface is shutdown and re-enabled
 - Cisco shows the disabled address as “[DUP]”



Questions about IPv6?



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Hierarchical address allocation

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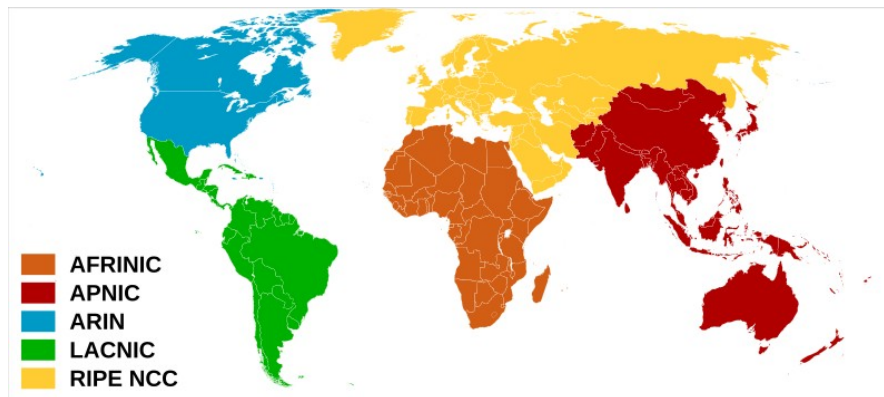
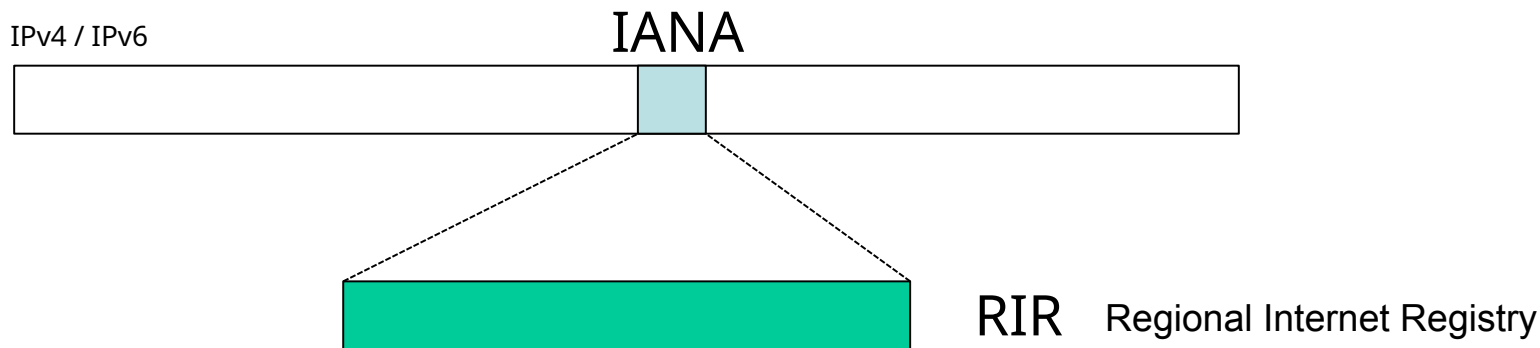
IANA Internet Assigned Numbers Authority



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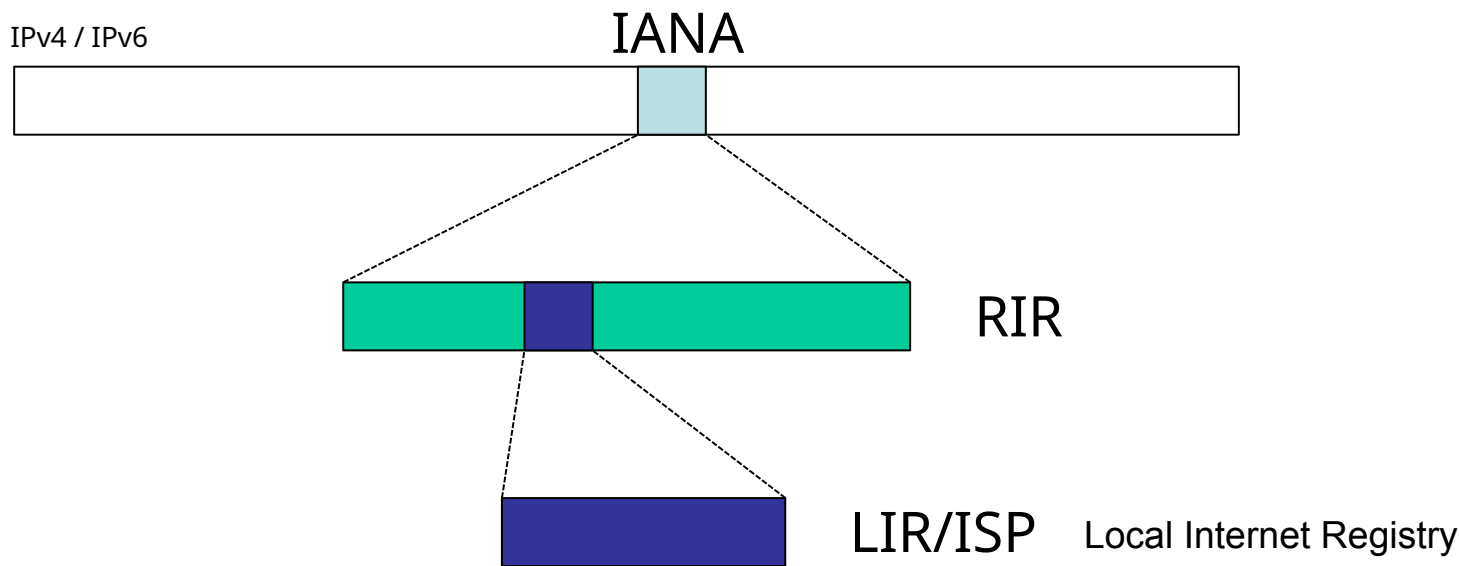


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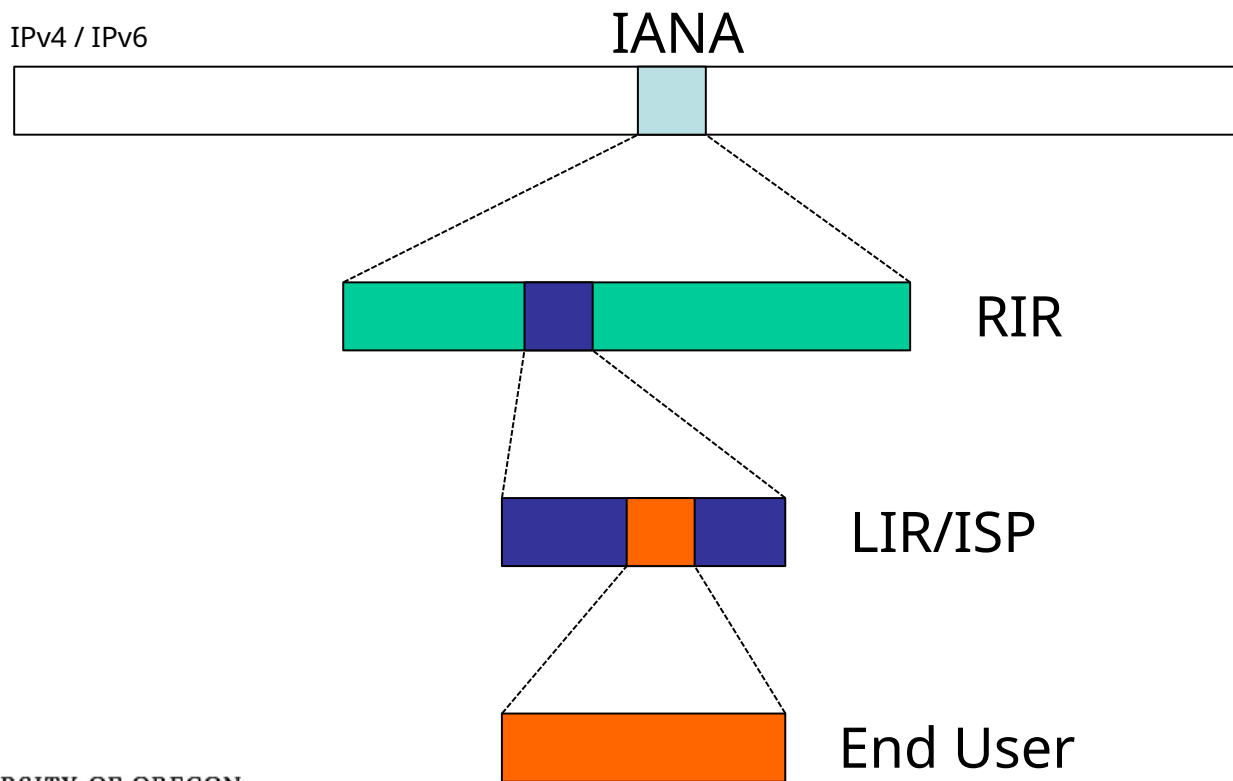
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IPv4 Address Distribution

- IPv4 addresses
 - Distributed by RIRs according to demonstrated need
 - Almost completely exhausted
 - RIRs have IPv4 run-out policies
 - E.g. one-off assignment from a limited pool, or waiting list
- Typical Campus:
 - Small public address block
 - For public servers, NAT pools
 - Anything from /28 to /21 depending on RIR region/upstream
 - Private address block
 - For internal end users, network management, etc



IPv6 Address Distribution

- IPv6 addresses
 - Network operators receive minimum of /32
 - Includes RENs, University Campuses, etc
 - End-sites receive /48 or /56
 - Smallest subnet size is /64
- Typical Single Campus:
 - /48 divided out amongst buildings
- Typical Multi-Campus or Multi-Faculty:
 - /32 divided out amongst Campuses
 - /48 per campus



Questions about IP Address Distribution?

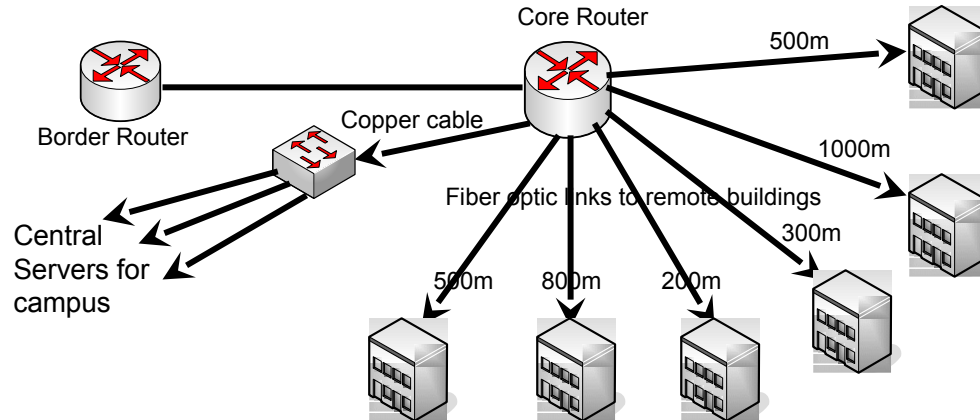


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Designing an Address Plan

- Now we will look at how to design an address plan for a simple campus



Designing an Address Plan

- There are different numbers of hosts in each part of the campus

Network	Number of Devices
Border Router to Core Router	2
Server Network	23
Science Building	120
Arts Building	52
Engineering Building	200
Library	80
Administration Building	40
Languages Building	30
Staff & Student Hostel	60



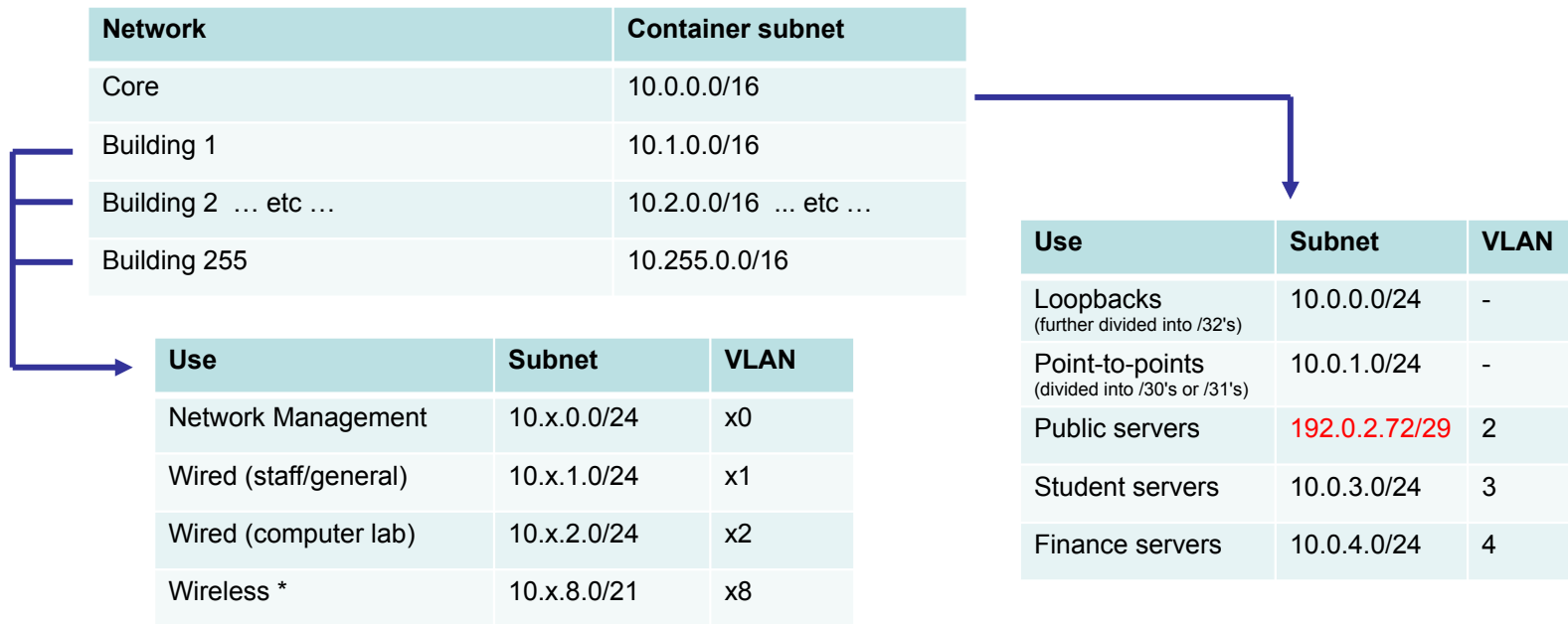
IPv4 Plan

- **You will not get public IPv4 space for all this!!**
 - In the old days you could (and would have to plan and subnet carefully to justify your allocation)
- Today, make the best of whatever you can get
 - Got a /28? Use a /29 for a few servers with public IPs and the other /29 for a NAT pool
 - Got a /24? You're lucky! Maybe two /26 server networks and /25 for NAT? Keep some for infrastructure (point-to-point links and loopbacks)
- Everything else has to be private, but that's easy with 10.0.0.0/8
- Make a logical IPv4 address plan that's easy to manage



Suggested campus IPv4 plan

- Allocate 10.X.0.0/16 to each building and subdivide consistently



Advantages of a consistent plan

- You can look at any IP address and immediately tell:
 - Which building it's in
 - Which subnet / application within that building
 - Which VLAN it's on
- Very helpful for troubleshooting and tracing
- No need to think when creating new configs or allocations
 - Lends itself well to templated configs
- Feel free to tailor our suggestions to your use case



Modified plan for ACLs?

- Protect switch management IPs, video cameras, BMS etc from general access by aggregating them, for example:
 - Network management = 10.255.0.0/16
 - Building 1 network management = 10.255.1.0/24
 - Building 2 network management = 10.255.2.0/24 ... etc
 - IP cameras = 10.254.0.0/16 ... etc
- This allows for shorter, simpler ACLs in the core router
 - allow from [monitoring systems] to 10.255.0.0/16
 - allow from [video recorders] to 10.254.0.0/16
 - deny from everywhere else to 10.254.0.0/15



Multi-campus university?

- Allocate blocks out of 10/8 to each campus, e.g. 8 lots of /11
 - 10.0.0.0/11 (10.0 – 10.31)
 - 10.32.0.0/11 (10.32 – 10.63)
 - ...
 - 10.224.0.0/11 (10.224 – 10.255)
- More than 32 buildings in a campus? Split each building range

Building 1A	10.1.0.0/18	Building 1C	10.1.64.0/18
Building 1B	10.1.128.0.0/18	Building 1D	10.1.192.0/18



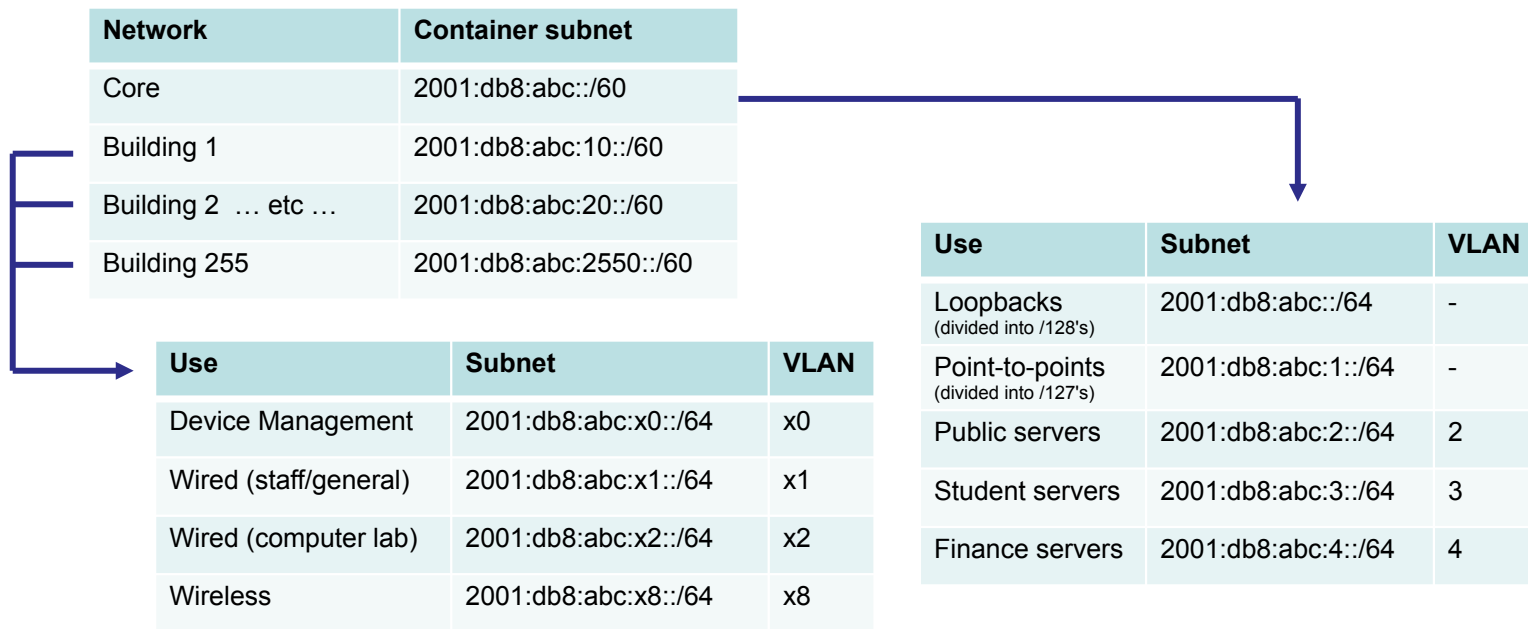
IPv6 Plan

- This time we have unique public IPs everywhere!
- Campus gets a /48
 - That's $2^{16} = 65,536$ subnets of /64
 - Same as 2^{16} subnets from 10.0.0.0/24 to 10.255.255.0/24
 - A happy alignment
- We will use **2001:db8:abc::/48** as our example



Suggested campus IPv6 plan

- Allocate a /60* to each building and subdivide consistently



VLAN tags

- VLAN IDs 2-4094 are available. You are unlikely to run out!
- If your core router supports "no switchport" and sub-interfaces, then you could use the *same* VLAN tags to every building
 - Elegant: makes edge/dist switch configs nearly identical everywhere
 - Makes VLAN spaghetti impossible

Use	Subnet (v4)	Subnet (v6)	VLAN
Network Management	10.x.0.0/24	2001:db8:abc:x0::/64	10
Wired (staff/general)	10.x.1.0/24	2001:db8:abc:x1::/64	11
Wired (computer lab)	10.x.2.0/24	2001:db8:abc:x2::/64	12
Wireless	10.x.8.0/21	2001:db8:abc:x8::/64	18

*Same on all switches
in all buildings*



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