Running out of addresses

- ~ 4 billion IPv4 addresses total
  - Available space can’t all be used
- Hide hosts
  - Application proxies (mail, web, ftp, telnet, …)
    • May be used for policy or performance reasons as well as reducing number of IP addresses in use (see p. 610ff)
  - Network Address Translation (NAT)
    • Temporary (connection-lifetime) assignment of public (host,port) pair to private (host,port) pair
- Expand the available address space (IPv6)

(Web) Proxy Structure

NAT structure
IP layer proxy

- Address and port translation
- Address translation only
- Problems
  - NAT is not completely transparent – application protocols may contain IP addresses
  - NAT’d hosts do not have full connectivity

IP Version 6

- Features
  - 128-bit addresses (classless)
  - multicast
  - real-time service (QoS)
  - authentication and security
  - autoconfiguration
  - end-to-end fragmentation
  - protocol extensions
- Header
  - 40-byte “base” header
  - extension headers (fixed order, mostly fixed length)
    • Fragmentation – routers don’t do fragmentation, only the source does
    • source routing
    • authentication and security
    • other options
### IPv6 Header Format

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<th>V=6</th>
<th>Class</th>
<th>Flow Label</th>
<th>Payload Length</th>
<th>Next HDR</th>
<th>HopLimit</th>
<th>Source Addr</th>
<th>Dest Addr</th>
<th>Next Header or Data</th>
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### IPv6 Availability

- [www.ipv6.org](http://www.ipv6.org)
- Linux, Solaris, FreeBSD, HPUX, Windows 2000 (add-on), Windows XP (built-in)
  - IPv6 use is not main-stream at this time
  - But the pieces needed are widely available if you need them for research
- Study point: understand section 4.3.5 fully and you will know a great deal about networking