UNDERSTANDING THE DNS INDUSTRY AND LOCAL HOSTING

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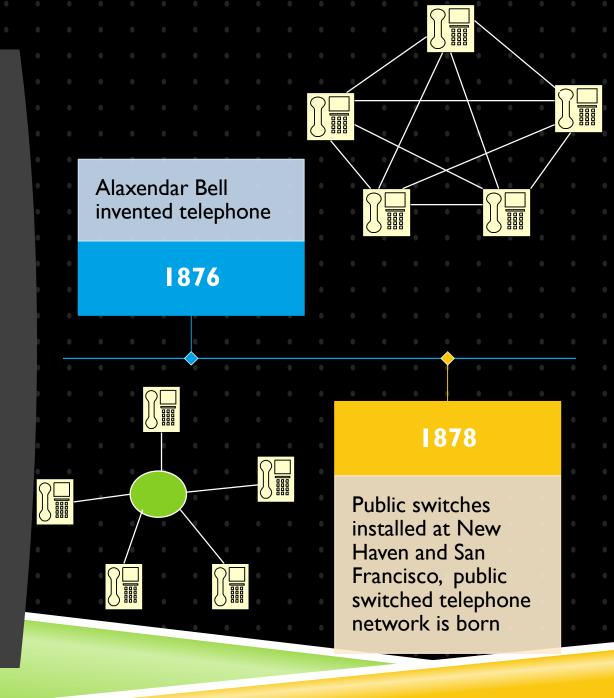
International Morse Code 1. The length of a dot is one unit. 2. A dash is three units. 3. The space between parts of the same letter is one unit. 4. The space between letters is three units. 5. The space between words is seven units. A U V V T C D X E Y T C G H A O D A A O D A O D A O D A O D A O D O

HISTORY OF TELEPHONE

- Letter and messenger
 - Information carried by physical objects
 - Speed limited by transportation means: horse, bird, train, car
- ► 1837: Workable telegraph invented by Samuel Morse
- ► 1838: Demonstration over 10 miles at 10 w.p.m
- ▶ 1868: transatlantic cable laid
- Morse Code was dots and dashes, or short signals and long signals



HISTORY
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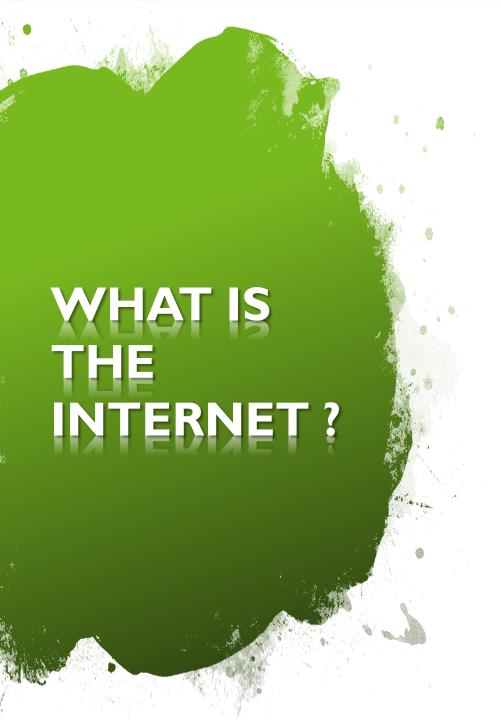


Early Phone Switch Center





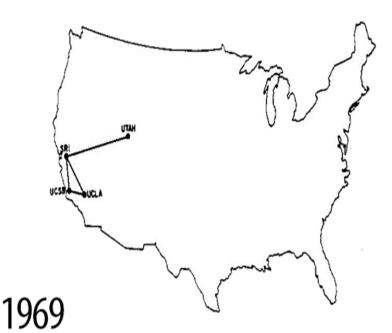




- ▶ A network of networks, joining many government, university and private computers together and providing an infrastructure for the use of E-mail, bulletin boards, file archives, hypertext documents, databases and other computational resources
- The vast collection of computer networks which form and act as a single huge network for transport of data and messages across distances which can be anywhere from the same office to anywhere in the world.

A GLANCE AT HISTORY OF THE INTERNET

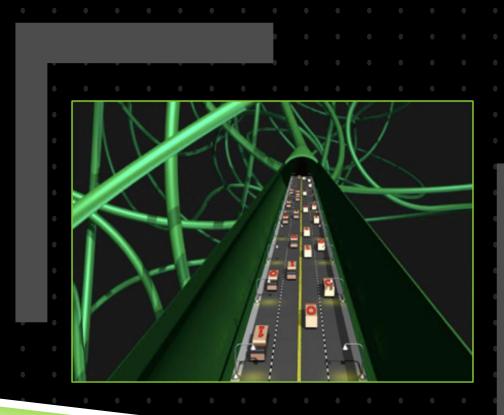
- ARPANET developed by DARPA
- The first ARPANET link was established between the University of California, Los Angeles and the Stanford Research Institute on 22:30 hours on October 29, 1969. The early Internet was used by computer experts, engineers, scientists, and librarians.
- Network Access Points (NAPs) established at end of NSFnet
 - The original "exchange points"
- The early internet runs on the telephone infrastructure



A GLANCE AT HISTORY OF THE INTERNET CONT.

- ► Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA) was established informally as a reference to various technical functions for the ARPANET.
- ► IANA is the institution which runs TLDs and deals with assignment of IP addresses and other related attributes.
- ► IANA was managed mostly by Joh Postel and Joyce Reynolds.
- ► Internet Corporation for Assigned Names Numbers (ICANN) was formed in 25th November, 1988.
- ► 14th March, 2014 NTIA Announces Intent to Transition Key Internet Domain Name Functions.

SUMMARY OF MAJOR INTERNET ACCESS TECHNOLOGIES



Fixed Line Narrowband

- Dialup
- ISDN (Integrated Services Digital Network

Fixed Line Broadband

- DSL (ADSL, SDSL)
- Cable and Hypbrid Fibre (FTTC,G.fast)
- Fiber Optic (FTTH;FTTP,FTTB)
- Powerline Communications

Wireless Broadband

- Fixed Wireless Access (Wifi, WiMAX)
- Mobile (2G, 3G, 4G, 5G)
- Satellite (C band, KU band, K band, KA band)

LINKING THE
WORLD THE
SUBMARINE
CABLE
SYSTEM

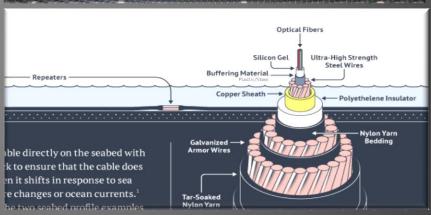


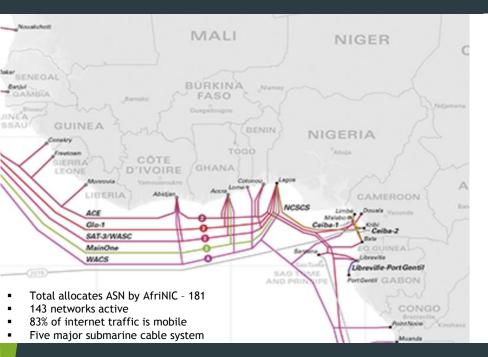
THE SUBMARINE CABLE SYSTEM







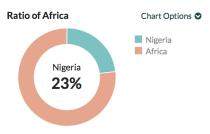




Internet Users

90,192,646

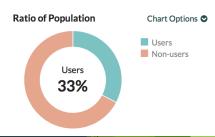
People



Population

185,989,640

World bank data.



Internet in Nigeria

https://wider.isoc.org.za/profiles/country-NG-nigeria/

INTRODUCTION TO INTERNET PROTOCOL (IP)



Every device connected to the Internet needs a unique number, known as an IP address. There are two types of IP address: IPv4 and IPv6. When the commercial Internet was in its infancy, the pool of around 4 billion IPv4 addresses seemed huge. No one could have predicted the impact the Internet had on our lives and it soon became clear that the pool of IPv4 addresses was not going to last as long as was hoped. IPv6 was developed as the solution. The pool of IPv6 addresses contains 2 128 IPv6 addresses, or roughly 340 trillion, *trillion* trillion, addresses.



However, IPv4 and IPv6 directly are not compatible. This means that network and content operators need to make their networks and websites available over both IPv4 and IPv6 for the foreseeable future so that everyone can access the Internet whether they are using an IPv4 or an IPv6 address to do so.



- ▶ An IP address is a unique number that identifies a computer on a TCP/IP network. An IP address also gives routing information. IP addresses are logically assigned.
- ► The network adapter has a physical (MAC) address. The MAC address is a permanent part of that adapter. The MAC address is only useful on the same physical LAN segment.
- ▶ The IP address is used to route packets between networks. When a message reaches the physical segment of the destination host, the IP address is matched to a physical address by the router.
- An IP address usually uses dot decimal notation, with the decimal values separated by periods (for example, IO.I.2.3). Each dot-separated number is a decimal representation of one byte (8 binary digits, or bits) of the 32-bit address. IP addresses are made up of two parts: a network number, referring to the network that the computer is part of, and a unique host number, specific to the computer that uses that IP address.



SNAPSHOT OF IPV4 & IPV6



Deployed 1981

Address Size:

32-bit number

Address Format:

Dotted Decimal Notation:

192.149.252.76

Prefix Notation:

192.149.0.0/24

Number of Addresses:

 $2^{32} = \sim 4,294,967,296$



Deployed 1999

Address Size:

128-bit number

Address Format:

Hexadecimal Notation:

3FFE:F200:0234:AB00:0123:4567:8901:ABCD

Prefix Notation:

3FFE:F200:0234::/48

Number of Addresses:

 $2^{128} =$

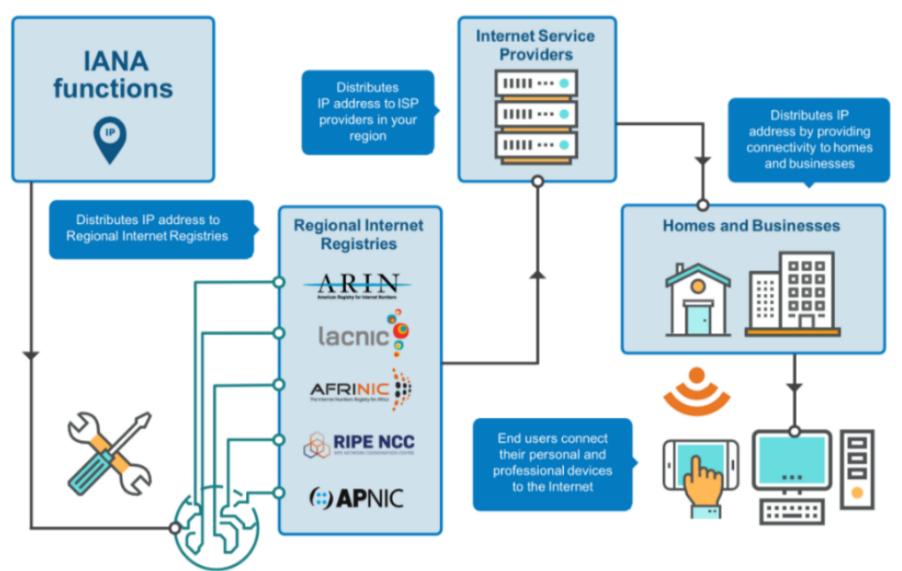
~340,282,366,920,938,463,463,374, 607,431,768,211,456

WHO ALLOCATES IPs?

- The Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA) manages the IP address space allocations globally and delegates five regional Internet registries (RIRs) to allocate IP address blocks to local Internet registries (Internet service providers) and other entities.
- IANA is operated by the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers, also known as ICANN.



How Internet Protocol (IP) Addresses are Distributed







OVERVIEW OF THE DOMAIN NAME SYSTEM

DNS is an abbreviation for Domain Name System, a system for naming computers and network services that is organized into a hierarchy of domains. DNS naming is used in TCP/IP networks, such as the Internet, to locate computers and services through userfriendly names.

COMPUTERS USE IP ADDRESSES. WHY DO WE NEED NAMES?



Easier for people to remember because it is hard to remember everyone's IP address



Computers may be moved between networks, in which case their IP address will change



The DNS makes it easier by allowing a familiar string of letters (the "domain name") to be used instead of the arcane IP address.



So instead of typing 52.24.164.21, you can type www.nigeria.gov.ng. It is a "mnemonic" device that makes addresses easier to remember

NAMES AND ADDRESSES IN GENERAL

- An address is how you get to an endpoint
- Typically, hierarchical (for scaling):
 - 8th Floor, NCR Building, Broad Street, Marina, Lagos, Nigeria
- "A name indicates what we seek. An address indicates where it is. A route indicates how we get there."

~ Jon Postel

NAMING HISTORY

- ▶ 1970's ARPANET
- ▶ 1980's NSFNET
 - Host.txt maintained by the SRI-NIC
 - pulled from a single machine
 - Problems
 - traffic and load
 - Name collisions
 - Consistency
- DNS created in 1983 by Paul Mockapetris (RFCs 882 & 883

which described the DNS, these RFC's were superseded by RFC's 1034 & 1035), modified, updated, and enhanced by a myriad of subsequent RFCs.

THE DOMAIN NAME SYSTEM WAS BORN



DNS is a Distributed Database for holding name to IP address (and other) information



Distributed:

Shares the administration Shares the load



Robustness and performance through:

Replication Caching



A critical piece of Internet infrastructure

OLD SOLUTION: HOSTS, TXT

A centrally-maintained file, distributed to all hosts on the Internet

This feature still exists:

- /etc/hosts [Unix]
- c:\windows\system32\drivers\etc\hosts [Windows]

196.216.148.233

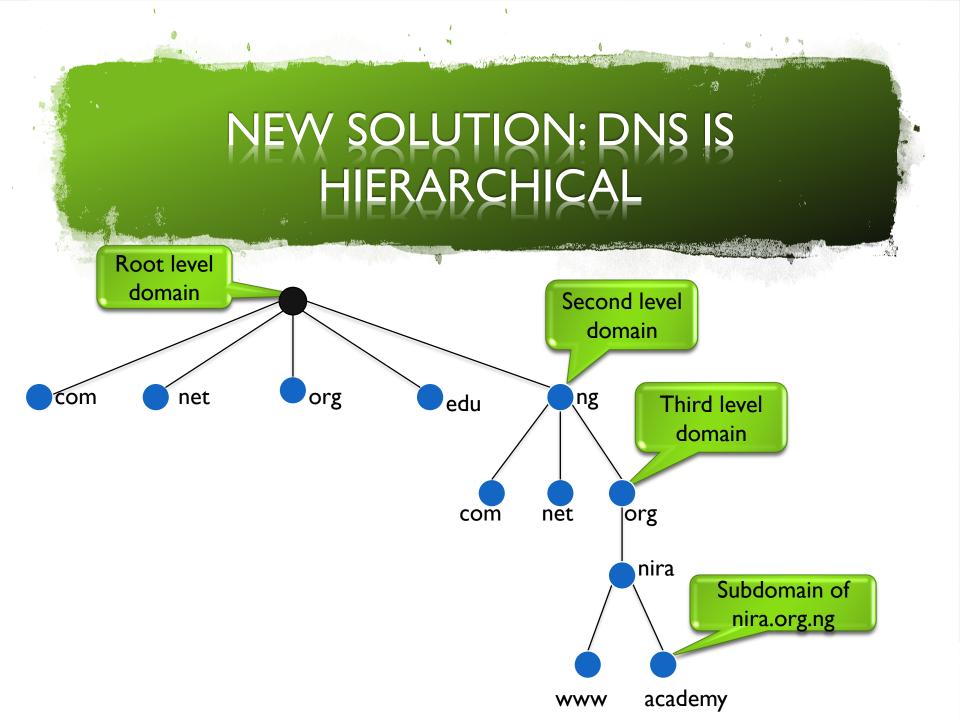
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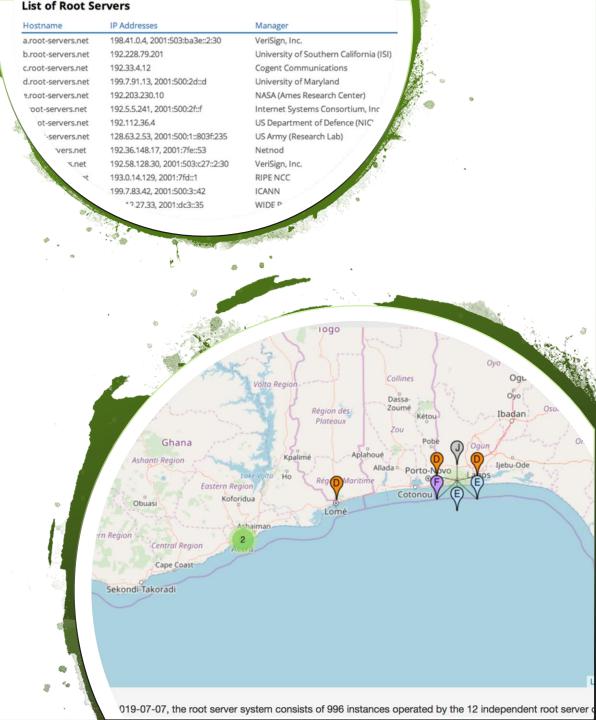
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File-server

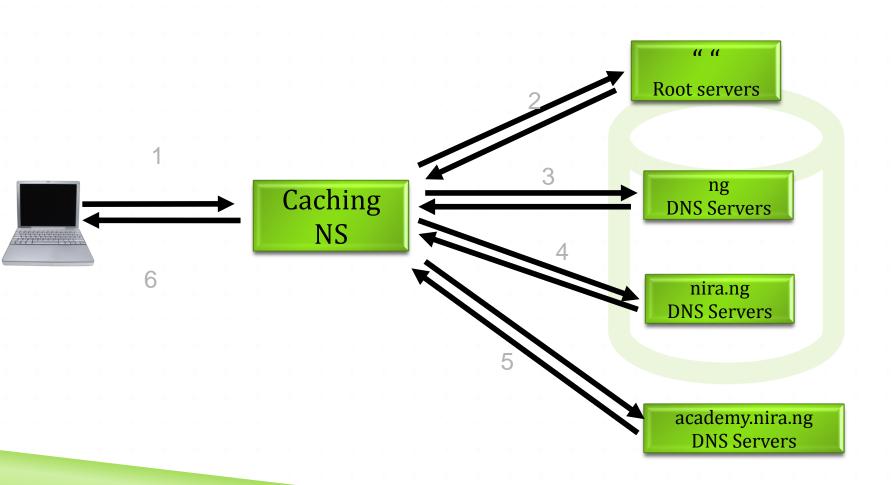


THE 13 ROOT SERVERS

• Source: https://root-servers.org



HOW DNS QUERY WORKS



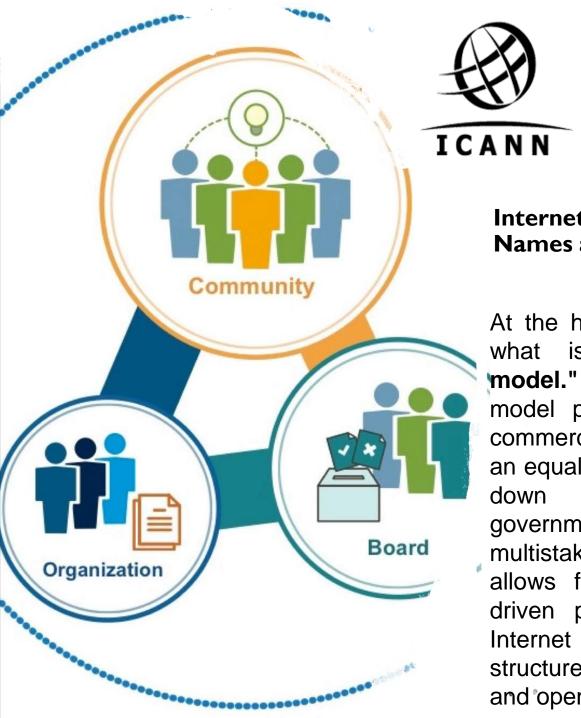
CACHING
REDUCES THE
LOAD ON
AUTH
NAMESERVERS

Especially important at the higher levels: root servers, GTLD servers (.com, .net ...) and ccTLDs

All intermediate information is cached as well as the final answer - so NS records from REFERRALS are cached too

TOP LEVEL DOMAIN (TLD)

- Country-code top-level domains (ccTLD):
 Two letter domains established for countries or territories ISO 3166
- Internationalized country code top-level domains (IDN ccTLD): ccTLDs in non-Latin character sets (e.g., Arabic or Chinese).
- Generic top-level domains (gTLD): Top-level domains with three or more characters
- Sponsored top-level domains (sTLD): These domains are proposed and sponsored by private agencies or organizations that establish and enforce rules restricting the eligibility to use the TLD.
- Infrastructure top-level domain: This group consists of one domain, the Address and Routing Parameter Area (ARPA).



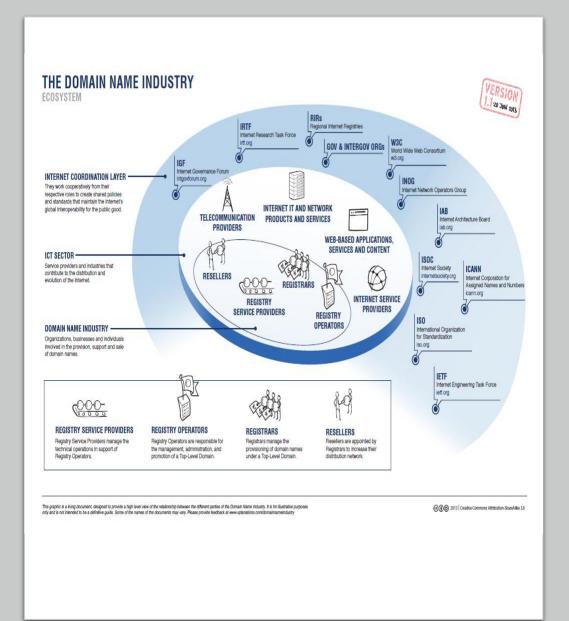
REGULATORY BODY OF THE INTERNET

Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN)

At the heart of ICANN's policy-making is what is called a "multistakeholder model." This decentralized governance model places individuals, industry, noncommercial interests and government on an equal level. Unlike more traditional, topdown governance models, where governments make policy decisions, the multistakeholder approach used by ICANN allows for community-based consensusdriven policy-making. The idea is that Internet governance should mimic the structure of the Internet itself borderless: and open to all.

THE DOMAIN NAME ECOSYSTEM

Source: https://newgtlds.icann.org/e n/announcements-andmedia/infographics/dnsindustry-ecosystem



REGIONAL INTERNET ASSOCIATIONS - ccTLDS

- AfTLD:African Top Level Domain
- CENTR: Council of European National Top Level Domain Registries
- ► APTLD: Asia Pacific Top Level Domain
- LACTLD: Latin America and Caribbean ccTLD





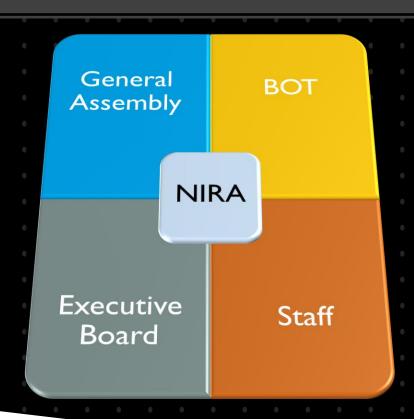




NIRA STRUCTURE

NIRA is a Not-For-Profit, Multi-stakeholder, Membership based Organization. NIRA operates the 3R (Registry, Registrar and Registrant) Model

- General Assembly All Stakeholders
- 9 Board of Trustees
- 10 Executive Board
- Permanent Staff
- Committees:
 - Establishment & Finance
 - Technical
 - Accreditation & Business Development
 - Audit
 - Communication & Publicity
 - Domain name policy
 - Stakeholder Engagement



CSRACTIVITIES OF NIRA

- NiRA Academy
- Ndukwe Kalu Foundation (NKF)
- .ng Awards
- NiRA E-library
- ong Media College
- Internship Programmes
- NG Internet Crime Advisory Group (NICAG)
- Youth Empowerment Activities training, workshops
- Sponsorships/partnership (NITDA, NCC, NIGF, NACOSS, ngNOG, etc.)
- Participation at conferences, Workshops,
 Exhibitions, etc.



GLOBAL DOMAINS NAME STATISTICS

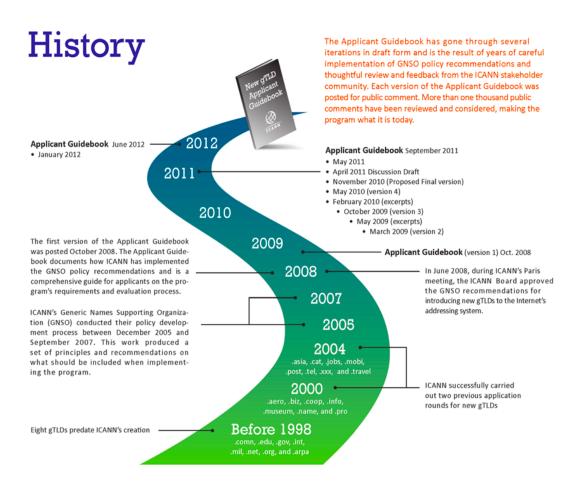
1994 - approximately 30,000 domain names worldwide

2019 – Over 351 Million Domain Names CENTRstats Global TLD Report 2018/1

Global TLD Market

GLOBAL MARKET | APR 2018
Estimate domains/growth of all TLDs*

		Growth (YOY)*	Domains (est. million)
ccTLDs	Africa (58)	16.2%	3.3
	Americas (53)	3.6%	13.7
	Asia (98)	1.8%	37.6
	Europe (58)	3.6%	72.2
gTLDs (1,238)		0.2%	186.5
		1.4%	333.1



HISTORY OF GTLD

NEW GTLD APPLICATIONS TO ICANN

1930 total number of applications received



Application Statistics: Overview (as of 30 June 2019)			
Total Applications Submitted	1930		
Completed New gTLD Program (gTLD Delegated** - introduced into Internet)	1232		
Applications Withdrawn	638		
Applications that Will Not Proceed/Not Approved	43		
Currently Proceeding through New gTLD Program*	17		

AN OVERVIEW OF LOCAL HOSTING

The Internet statistics - ESTIMATES



There are over **4.4** billion internet users worldwide out of the **7.7 Billion**.



About **351 million** registered domain at June 2019.



2.41 billion monthly active users at the end of June 2019. On average more than 350 million photos uploaded to Facebook per day in 2017. 10 billion Facebook messages are sent each day.



5 hours of video is uploaded to YouTube every second - 300 hours a minute, a decade every 5 hours and a century every 2 days- (more video uploaded in 1 day than NTA broadcasted in the past 40 years – assuming it runs 24/7).

Source:

- https://newsroom.fb.com/company-info/
- www.wikipedia.org
- https://www.youtube.com/yt/about/press/



Wikipedia- the largest encyclopedia ever assembled has **25 million articles** (over 5 Million in English alone) in 285 Languages.

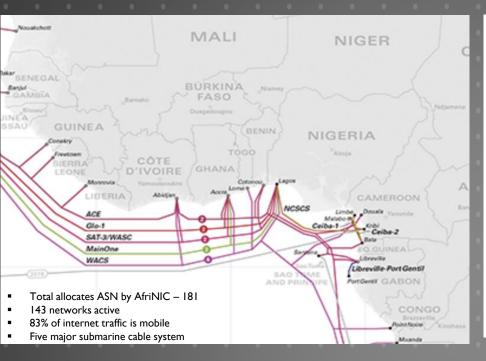
In 2015, Michael Mandiberg published the English Wikipedia as a **7473 volume set** of volumes 700 pages long. Each volume is assumed to be 25 cm tall, 5 cm thick, and containing 1,600,000 words or 8,000,000 characters.

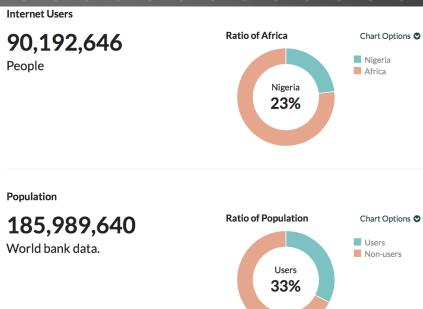


- Market Capitalization

 ☐ Amazon \$984 billion

 ☐ Google \$791 billion
- ☐ Facebook- \$590 billion



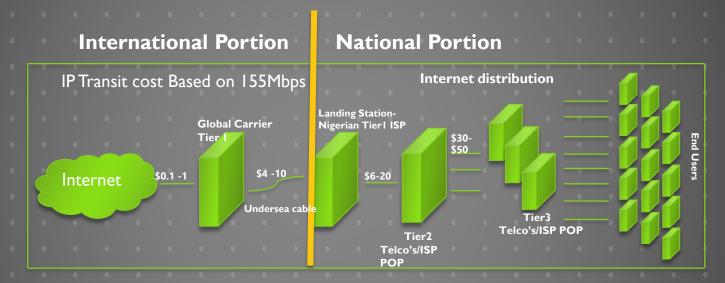


INTERNET IN NIGERIA

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With the awesome growth of the internet content: where does Nigeria stand?

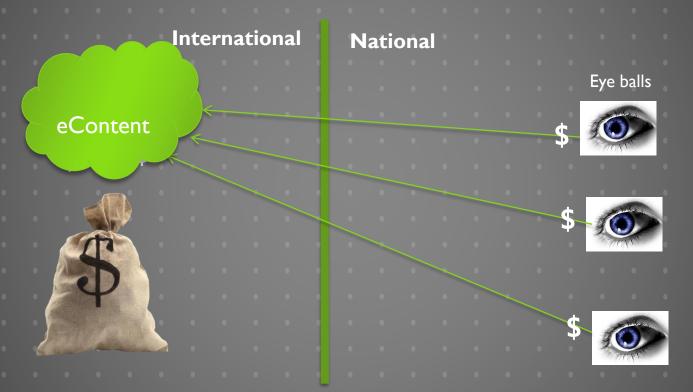
WHY WE PAY MORE FOR INTERNET



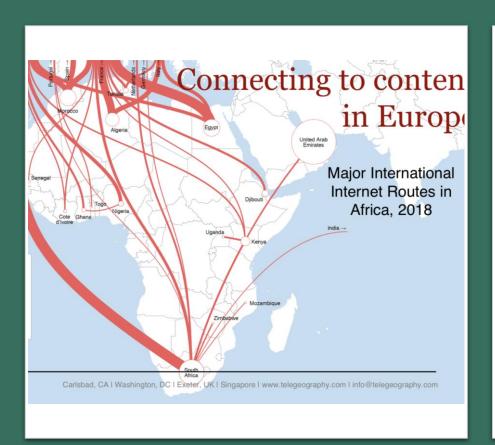
Increase in cost of IP at various point towards the Nigerian end users

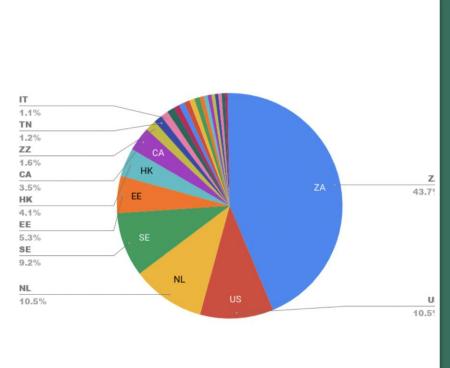
Cost increases as you move further away from the content

LOCAL HOSTING AS A DRIVER FOR ECONOMIC GROWTH



Nigeria is a net "Importer" of bandwidth. i.e More DOWNLOADS than UPLOADS





LOCATION OF AFRINIC IPS USED FOR HOSTING

- Source: Cloudflare and TeleGeography
- https://blog.cloudflare.com/african-traffic-growth-and-predictions-for-the-future/

IMPLICATIONS OF OVERSEAS DATA HOSTING





ABOUT IXPN

- WSIS summit in Tunisia 2005
- The president directed FMIC to establish an IXP in Nigeria
- NCC called a stakeholders forum in February 2006
- ISPAN chaired the implementation committee
- Internet eXchange Point of Nigeria (IXPN) LTD GTE is a not-for-profit and neutral organization
- NCC inaugurates an interim board in March 2007

The Role of IXPN



Keeping Nigerian Internet traffic local



Reduces costs for access to local content



Enhance local connectivity and improve internet experience of end users



Build technical skills and capacity

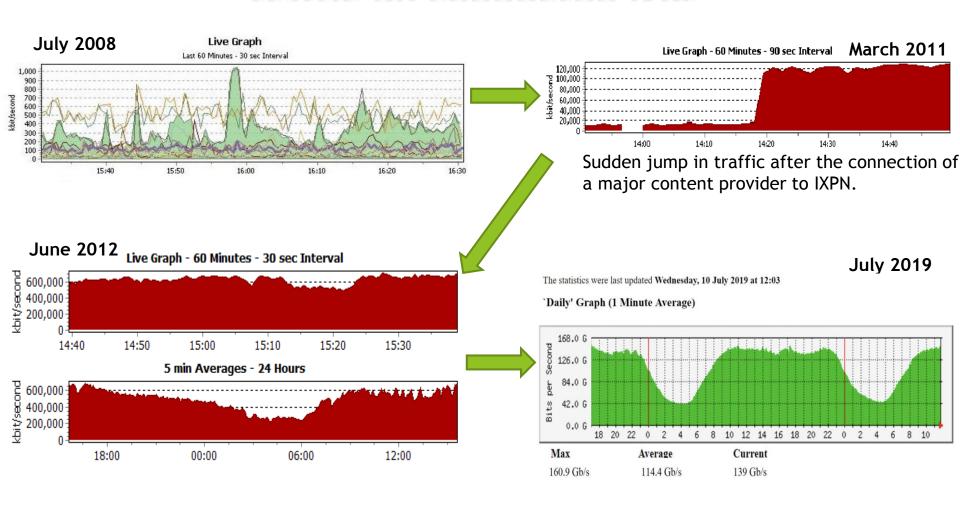


Act as an efficient centralized service launch point

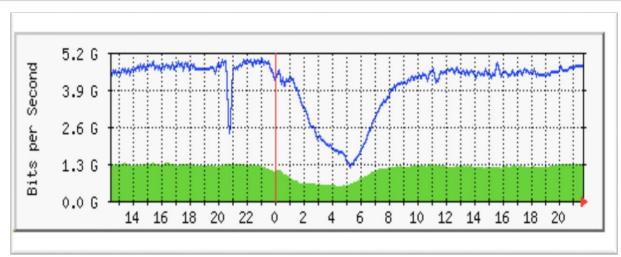
Promote and encourage the creation of local

content

IXPN's IMPACT ON LOCAL TRAFFIC - 10,000% Increase in 5 years and localizing 50% of Internet traffic by connected ISPs.



IXPN'S IMPACT ON BANDWIDTH COST

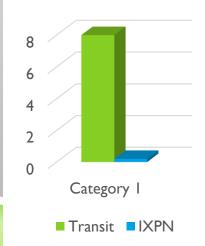


Analysis of savings to a particular member:

Paying \$1,000 for a 10GE Port 50 % port utilization \$1,000 divide by 5,000Mbps = 0.2 USD (72 Naira) average cost per Mbps

5000Mbps x \$8 =\$40,000 transit cost without IXPN Savings Monthly by passing traffic via IXPN \$40,000 - \$1,000 = \$39,000 (14 Million Naira)

* Exchange Rate IUSD= N360





MORE ON IXPN

- 62 Members and counting...
- 4 PoP (Point of Presence) in Lagos:
 ICNL, Medallion, Rack Centre and MDX.
- I0Gbps Backbone fibre link between PoPs. Upgrade to 40Gbps in progress.
- Additional PoPs in 4 different cities: Abuja, Port Harcourt & Kano.
- Abuja and Port Harcourt connected to Lagos, via STMI circuit - Funded by the NCC.
- 140 Gbps peak aggregate traffic.

THANK YOU.

Questions