

# Session J9: DNSSEC and DNS Security

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## What is DNS?

- ***Easy answer:***
  - *Stands for Domain Name System*
  - *System for converting names to/from IP addresses*
- ***More interesting answer:***
  - *The worlds most scalable, distributed database*
  - *Can be used for much more than simply the "Internet phone book"*
    - Unfortunately, it's possibilities are limited by it's lack of verifiability

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## Is DNS currently secure?

- **Flaws in DNS software**

- *CVE-2007-2926*
- *Information released July 23, 2007*
- *Simple attack on BIND query ids that lower complexity from 16 bits (65536 combinations) to 3 bits (8 combinations)*
  - *Allows easy cache poisoning attacks on unpatched Bind 9 and up*
- *Computationally harder attack allows complete knowledge of sequence numbers, allowing no-guess spoofing*

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<http://cve.mitre.org/cgi-bin/cvename.cgi?name=CVE-2007-2926>

<http://www.trusteer.com/docs/bind9dns.html>

## Is DNS currently secure?

- **High profile ISP hijacking**

- *July 23, 2007*
- *Cox hijacked irc.vel.net, an EFNnet IRC server, and redirected to their own servers*

- **DNS cache poisoning often still used in phishing/pharming attacks**

- *Targeted attacks, don't make the front page*


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<http://blog.wired.com/27bstroke6/2007/07/isp-seen-breaki.html>

<http://www.exstatica.net/hijacked/>

## Broad Course Outline

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>DNS Overview</i></li> <li>• <i>Show current problems in DNS</i></li> <li>• <i>Traditional security measures</i></li> <li>• <i>Discuss the DNSSEC extensions and the protection they provide</i></li> <li>• <i>Demonstrate how to implement DNSSEC</i></li> <li>• <i>Discuss timeline of when different enterprises might want to roll out DNSSEC</i></li> </ul>
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RFC 3258, "Distributing Authoritative Name Servers via Shared Unicast Addresses" <http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc3258.txt>

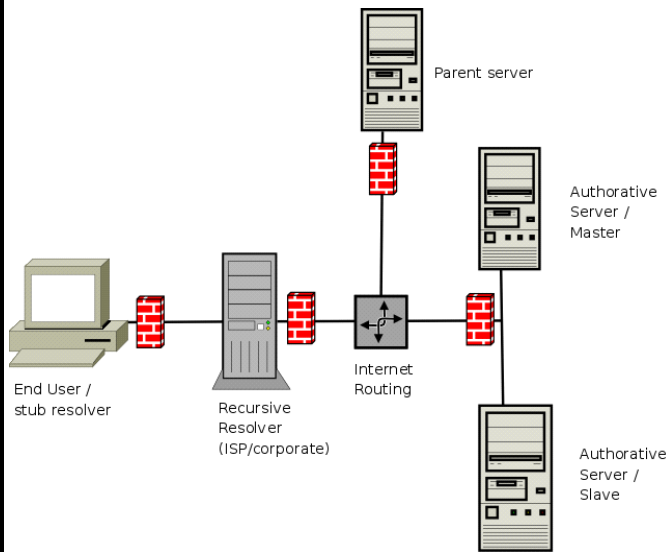
anycast is usually implemented by using BGP to simultaneously announce the same destination IP address range from many different places on the Internet.



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- **Authoritative Name Server**
  - Name server that contains authoritative information for a domain
- **Resolver / Recursive Name Server**
  - Server that can recursively look up DNS records from authoritative name servers
  - Complicated software, must be able to follow referrals and check for many types of possible DNS attacks
  - Provides caching of responses to decrease load on the DNS
- **Name Server**
  - Can mean one or both of the above, depending on context

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- ***Stub resolver***

- *Non-recursive, cannot follow referrals*
- *Sometimes provides caching for local performance*
- *This is usually the only name server an end user has on their computer*

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- ***DNS market share (both recursive and authoritative) as of October 2007***

- *Bind - 70%*
  - 65% BIND 9
  - 5% BIND 8
- *Embedded Linux/Nominum - 19%*
  - Some BIND, some Nominum CMS, some tinydns, some custom
- *PowerDNS - 7%*
- *Microsoft DNS - 3%*

Results from <http://dns.measurement-factory.com/surveys/200608.html>



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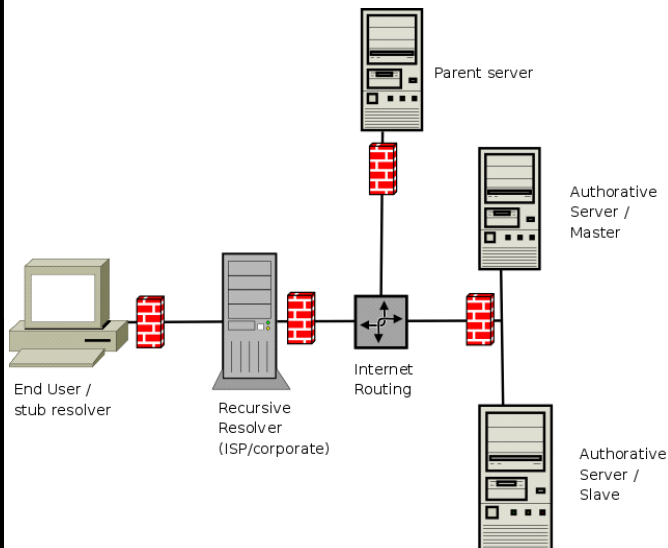
- ***BIND 8 and 9 support DNSSEC***

- *More than 90% of authoritative domain servers, and much higher percentage of served domains*
- *Only 9.3 and up support DNSSEC-bis*
  - BIND 9.2 and previous now EOL, most servers should now or soon be 9.3 and up
- *Nominum, PowerDNS also support DNSSEC*

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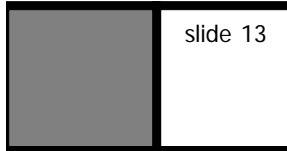
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- *MITM*
- *ID guessing*
- *Birthday attack*
- *Name chaining*
- *Rogue DNS servers*
- *DOS attacks*
- *Information removal*

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- *MITM*
  - *Spoofing data is trivial*
  - *Single UDP packet request/response*
  - *Exists all along chain*



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## • ID guessing

- Guess 16 bit nonce and possibly randomly selected port
- Works on recursive resolvers and stubs

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Domain Name System (response)
[Request In: 91]
[Time: 0.179777000 seconds]
Transaction ID: 0x16fc
0000 00 04 61 7d 2e c7 00 18 39 7a 8c e6 08 00 45 00 ..a}.... 9z....E.
0010 00 70 00 00 40 00 40 11 12 19 0a 00 0a 01 0a 00 .p..@.@. ....
0020 0a 64 00 35 ab 40 00 5c 79 19 16 fc 81 80 00 01 .d.5.@.\ y. ....
0030 00 02 00 00 00 00 03 77 77 77 0d 6d 61 76 65 6e .....w ww.maven
0040 73 65 63 75 72 69 74 79 03 63 6f 6d 00 00 01 00 security .com....
    
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- Need to force resolving of a known record

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## • Birthday attack

- Subset of ID guessing
  - Send multiple requests to the targeted recursive resolver targeting the same authoritative server
  - Send your poisoning attacks, which can match any of the results from the queries
  - 50% success with 300 packets, conventional poisoning needs 32K packets for 50% success
  - Mitigated by late bind 9 by combining aggregating queries
  - Made much more difficult by query source port randomization in djbdns, soon in BIND



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### • *Name Chaining*

- *Cache poisoning attack only, doesn't affect stub resolvers*
- *Must use one of the former methods to insert itself*
- *Differs from conventional poisoning attacks in that only requested information is returned, but with falsified answers*
  - Conventional poisoning returns bogus records in addition to what is asked for, blocked by all modern resolvers, I.E. windows 2003, Bind 9

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### • *Rogue DNS servers*

- *DNS servers usually assigned by DHCP*
- *Do you trust that free wifi?*
- *Survey of DNS servers that attempt to poison old clients by returning bogus information*
  - <http://dns.measurement-factory.com/surveys/poisoners.html>

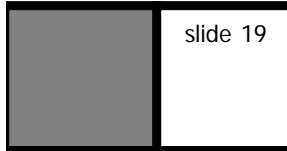


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### • ***DOS attacks***

- *Attacks against the DNS servers themselves*
- *Attacking other systems with DNS amplification*
- *Both of these attacks are made easier by DNSSEC*

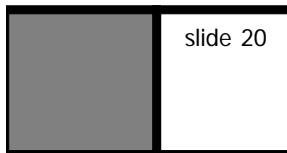


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### • ***Information Removal***

- *Special case of MITM problem*
- *For example, remove MX record for example.com, causing failover to A record*
- *Mitigated by DNS denial of existence*



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- *These are just some of the possible methods of attack, there are others that are partially solved, and some that are yet to be discovered*
- *References in notes*

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“Threat Analysis of the Domain Name System”, <http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc3833.txt>

Bind vulnerabilities, <http://www.isc.org/sw/bind/bind-security.php>

“DNS Cache Poisoning – The Next Generation”, <http://www.secureworks.com/research/articles/cachepoisoning>

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- **Latest BIND**
  - *Latest 8 is weak against cache poisoning due to bad ID RNG*
  - *Recommend latest BIND 9*
    - Currently 9.3 and 9.4 are maintained, stable, and secure.
    - Check <http://www.isc.org/sw/bind/bind-security.php> for latest vulnerabilities
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- ***Separate recursive and authoritative functionality***
  - *Can be implemented in one copy of BIND through configuration*
  - *Minimizes the attack surface for cache poisoning to internal personnel*
  - *Restrict all queries from non-internal IPs if server is only intended for internal use*
    - This can be done

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- ***Restrict queries to only your intended users***
  - *IE, if server is only for internal use.*
  - *This can be done either server wide*
    - Bind: options { allow-query { 192.168.0/24; 192.168.1/24; }; };
  - *Or it can be for specific zones*
    - Bind: acl "MY-NET" { 10.0.0/24; };  
zone "my.net" { type slave; file "bak.my.net"; masters { 10.0.0.1; };  
allow-query { "MY-NET"; }; };

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- ***Have primary and secondary DNS servers as separate as possible***
  - Different location, power, net connection, etc..
- ***DNS given own environment***
  - Use separate server, virtual machine, image, and or chroot jail for DNS then other services
- ***Run DNS as non-privileged user***

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- ***Limit DNS zone transfers to slaves***
  - zone "my.net" { type master; file "db.movie.edu"; allow-transfer { 10.0.1.2; 10.0.0.3; }; };
- ***Limit DNS dynamic updates***
  - IP based is insecure, use keys
- ***Use TSIG or SIG(0) to authenticate zone transfers and dynamic updates***
  - Accurate clock synchronization required

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### • *DNS Resource Records*

- *Fields: name, ttl, class, type, data*
- *A – Host Address -Relates IPv4 address to domain name*
  - ns2.example. 3600 IN A 192.0.2.2
- *CNAME – Canonical name for an alias - Alias domain name to another domain name*
  - www IN CNAME ben.example.com.
- *MX – Mail eXchanger*
  - MX 20 mailhost

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### • *DNS Resource Records*

- *NS – Authoritative Name Server*
  - example.com IN NS ns1.example.com.
- *PTR – Used to map from domain name to IPv4 address*
  - 1 IN PTR ns1.example.com
- *SOA – Start Of Authority: Marks the start of an authoritative Zone*
  - example.com. IN SOA  
ns.example.com.  
hostmaster.example.com.



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```

$ORIGIN kipsecurity.com.
$TTL 1h
@ IN SOA ns1.kipsecurity.com.
  hostmaster.kipsecurity.com. (
    2007062100 ; serial number
    10m ; time-to-refresh, for slaves
    5m ; time-to-retry, for slaves
    4w ; time-to-expire, for slaves
    10m ; minimum TTL
  )
                                IN      NS      ns1.kipsecurity.com.
                                IN      NS      ns2.kipsecurity.com.
ns1                             IN      A       75.126.69.63
ns2                             IN      A       24.125.193.170
www                             IN      A       75.126.69.63
ftp                             CNAME  www
$INCLUDE Kkipsecurity.com.+005+55552.key
$INCLUDE Kkipsecurity.com.+005+24327.key
    
```

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- ***DNSSEC is a cryptographic signing system***
- ***Heart of the system is the signing key DNSKEY and RRSIGS which are the Resource Record SIGNatures***



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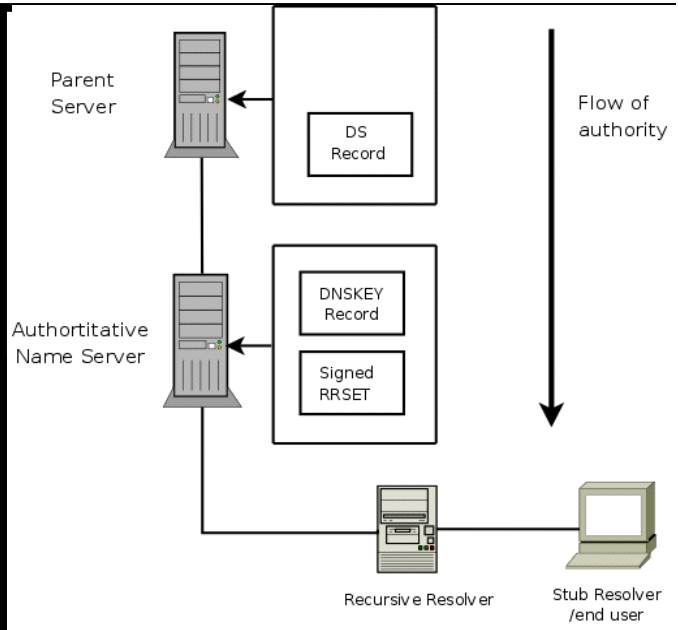
- ***DNSSEC introduces the DNSKEY record for storing a public signing key***
  - *This is not the only way DNSSEC keys can be distributed, but it is the most scalable.*
- ***The signing key is then used to sign RRsets***
  - *RRsets are groups of resource Records which share name (ex: www.digg.com.) , type (A for address), and class (ex: IN for Internet)*

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- **DNSKEY record**
- **Flags**
- **Protocol**
- **Algorithm**

```
3600  DNSKEY 256 3 5 (
AwEAAQ3TEDguQ9/tbnbuIgoSxbWoDYZ63JzB
d0lFc thSSYxD7Xe+q1WUD8MJ Ig c0EJG6u o4E
3/ 13Htpkf7Dvmy0V12l6KSok7/ YJWDL Ebk9z
sblMo iGeiHIGdC/ KqDHnvym9/ 9GPuPv3mTv b
lPvm/ gRnRUDqV96/nPYpo Taya0NC fGkXty3/
3kTq3Qw06p4WzspvF4pe2LmIo0ye7+C f30ZG
6i92wus=
) ; key id = 24327
```

- **Public Key**

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- **Example DNS record showing signed RRSET**

```
3600 NS ns1.kipsecurity.com.
3600 NS ns2.kipsecurity.com.
3600 RRSIG NS 5 2 3600 20070806121631 (
20070707121631 54333 kipsecurity.com.
gM6vTtT+T6kIoCtMe+xatcmr lJxiIx5vcuuC
us7ayJaswq4naVzUUv4dMTU5HhNapNtwS3qu
lWdCIEfNEVsmZJD87a2Mr t jQBRtcD6ER0dbn
XPYj luskRCuPgT/A2zEiwpVxBak15w8h52Zs
NwDnR8rUK1myHscQkdH0UAP51ks= )
```

- **RRSIG is the resource record signature**



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- *RRSIG*
- *Type covered* →
- *Algorithm* →
- *# labels covered* →
- *Original TTL* →

```

3600 RRSIG DNSKEY 5 2 3600 20070722112724 (
20070622112724 24327 kipsecurity.com.
BRTLL fLP0L+3TKhCt50TMM5a/7AeLycm+w
NB/a/UfULnjdS8mIdcr8hdgHRzjkDIQik0he
rCCLZZXcivkX+PfoafqAkzQ0Rv18UWON/1jo
H9RqjUceMXCFtn3LM+hFYIBIIBaET8a7Yps1
y3IyeqWl24davaI3p/AhrYG8bxUAQ+EDKY65
8SqNFCNPHCrc08HMLx0i2n1nyUzYVhWUbspd
5Q== )
                
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- *Signature expiration* →
- *Signature inception* →
- *Keytag* →
- *Signer* →
- *Signature* →

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- ***DNSSEC uses public key cryptography and cryptographic hashes***
- ***Public Key crypto is named for one half of its key, the public key***
- ***Anything encrypted with the public key can only be decrypted with the secret key***

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## Crypto Refresher – Public Key

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- ***Anything encrypted by the private key can only be decrypted by the public key***
  - *We use this as a signing mechanism*
- ***These operations are not trivially reversible***

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- ***Cryptographic hashes are used to convert something large into something smaller in a one way fashion***
  - *Typical hashes in use include MD5 and SHA-1 which have 128 and 160 bit output respectively*
  - *The output of a hash is often what is signed with a private key to make a signature, since signing the whole thing is too expensive*

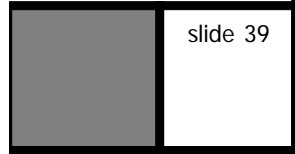
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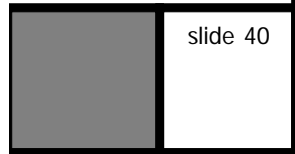


## • *How do we verify DNSKEYs?*

- *Only real scalable methods:*
  - Chaining
  - DNSSEC Lookaside Validation (DLV)
    - Really a subset of chaining
- *Others*
  - Trusted anchors

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## • *Chaining*

- *Ideally, there would be a chain from the root to each endpoint*
- *Root key has to be externally verified, then root signs TLD, TLD signs next level, and so on*



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- ***DS (Delegation Signer) resource record holds this signature***
- ***Contains a keytag, algorithm, digest type, and hash***
- ***a.example. 3600 DS 57855 5 1 ( B6DCD485719ADCA18E5F3D48A2331627FDD3636B )***

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  - Discuss timeline of when different enterprises might want to roll out DNSSEC
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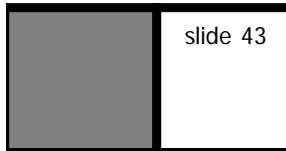


- ***Keytag***
- ***Algorithm***
- ***Digest type***
- ***Hash***
- ***a.example. 3600 DS 57855 5 1 ( B6DCD485719ADCA18E5F3D48A2331627FDD3636B )***
- ***Signed by the owners key to make signed RRSIG***



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- ***This signing makes a chain from one server to it's child whereby you can verify the DNSKEY of the child***

- Hashing is used for size

- ***Can be initiated anywhere, at Root, TLD, or lower***

- The higher the signing starts, the more scalable it is

- Root and US TLD's not signed yet

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- ***DNSSEC Lookaside Validation***

- Allows delegation of authority to non-children

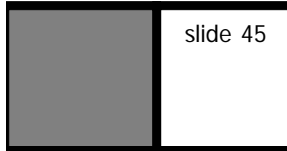
- Example: .com TLD not signed, but example.com provides signing service for hire

- Brings most of the benefits of chaining, bypassing the political problems of signing the root



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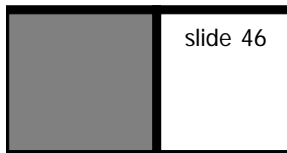


## • *Trusted anchors*

- *Direct distribution of keys by some side channel*
  - Not highly scaleable
  - Useful for large, high value sites or internal use if no better mechanism exists
  - Islands of trust can be as large as TLDs, or as small as you want
  - Chaining can be started from this trusted anchor

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## • *Review:*

- *Data in the zone is trusted if signed by trusted DNSKEY*
- *DNSKEY is trusted if pointed to by trusted DS-record*
- *DS-record is trusted if:*
  - signed by trusted zone-signing key
  - or if is a secure entry point, validated out of band



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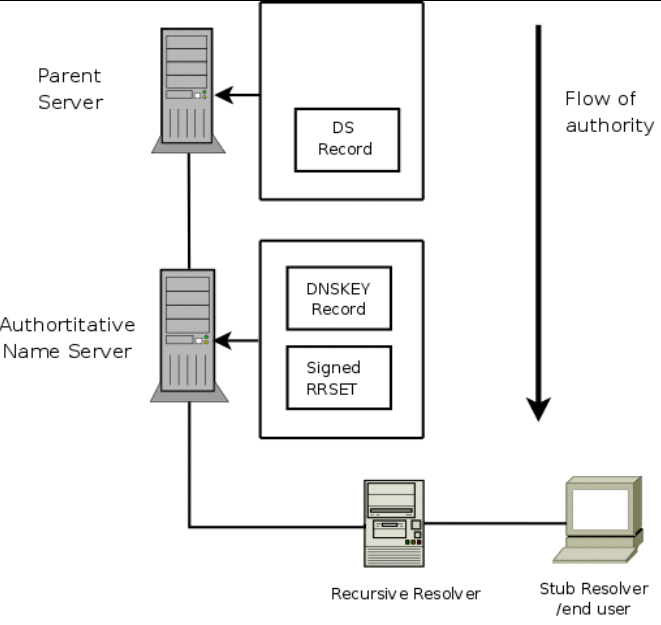
- **Review:**
  - Have a simple system for signing DNS records
  - Have a few systems for delegating authority for signing
- **You now know the basics of DNSSEC**
  - However, there are many more operational details

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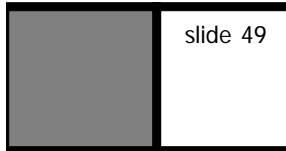
RRSet vs RRset: <http://mail.shinkuro.com:8100/lists/dnssec-deployment/Message/781.html?Language=>





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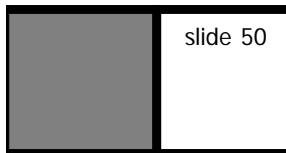
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- ***DNSKEYs are optionally segmented into 2 types:***
  - *Key Signing Keys (KSKs), used to sign subkeys*
  - *Zone Signing Keys (ZSKs), used to sign RRsets*
- ***Differentiated by the Secure Entry Point flag***
  - *According to the specs, this is advisory only, and can't effect the working of the software*

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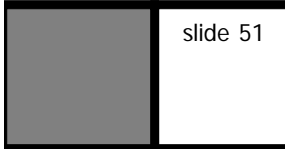


- ***Benefits of segmenting the keys:***
  - *No upstream action required when ZSKs are changed*
  - *KSKs can be stronger, and have a longer usage lifetime*



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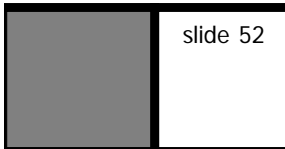


## • Key lifetimes

- *Different records require different lengths*
  - Most problematic – DS records and KSKs
    - Suggest SHA-256 for DS records if possible
      - » *Standards recommend using both SHA-1 and SHA-256 for compatibility*
    - Assuming 1 year of use, suggest at least 2048 for KSK
    - Might be limited by SHA-1 strength, to approx. 1300 – true strength of SHA-1 unknown
  - ZSK
    - Length dependant on lifetime
    - Suggest 1024 at minimum, from 1300 to 2048 for mid to high value domains
  - Keylength.com a good resource

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## • Generating keys

- *BIND*
  - `dnssec-keygen -a alg -b bits -n type [-f KSK] [options] name`

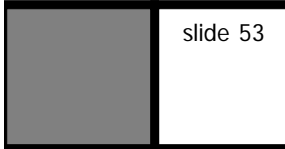
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$dnssec-keygen -a RSASHA1 -b 1024 -n ZONE kipsecurity.com
Kkipsecurity.com.+005+54333
$
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- Uses /dev/random on unix computers, can easily deplete the randomness pool with even one key



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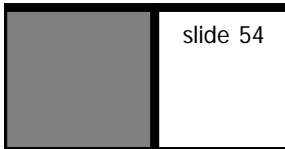


## • *Generating keys*

- *If using Bind < 9.3, dnssec-keygen needs -e flag to generate strong RSA keys*
- *If demos are given, I will be using -r /dev/urandom for times sake, recommend hardware randomness generator for production use*
- Included in many recent motherboards, see linux Documentaion/hw\_random.txt for linux info, supported by other unixes also

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## • *Signing zones*

- *BIND*
- dnssec-signzone [-o zone] [-k KSK] [-s start-time] [-e endtime] zonefile [ZSK]
- *By default, starttime is -1 hour, endtime is 30 days*
- dnssec-signzone kipsecurity.com

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kipsecurity.com.signed
$
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- ***Key rollover is one of the largest problems in DNSSEC***

- *Need to avoid breaking chain of trust*

- ***2 main strategies***

- *Pre-publish*
- *Double sign*

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- ***Pre-publish***

- *3 step process (overview)*

- Introduce new ZSK(ZSK2)
  - Wait for rollout + expiration of ZSK1 TTL
- Sign RR with ZSK2
  - Wait for expiration of longest TTL in zone
- Remove ZSK1
  - Optionally introduce new ZSK3 at this step to minimize future waiting

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## Signing system

"I only have one question, in 27 sub-parts"  
Quote from Back to School.

- **Pre-publish**

- *Introduce new ZSK(ZSK2)*
  - Generate key
  - Add new key to zone
  - Sign zone with only old key(ZSK1)
  - Wait for rollout + expiration of ZSK1 TTL

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- **Pre-publish**

- *Sign RR with only ZSK2*
  - Wait for expiration of longest TTL in zone
    - Even though ZSK1 should no longer be cached, ZSK1 signed records might be
- *Remove ZSK1*
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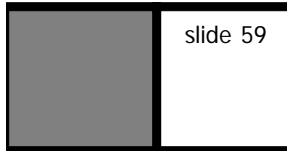
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## • *Double signing*

– *2 step process*

- Sign zone with old AND new ZSK
  - Wait for TTL of things signed with ZSK1 to expire
- Remove old ZSK



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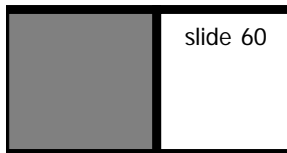
## • *Comparison*

– *Problems with pre-publish*

- Badly needs automation, too many manual calculations and waiting periods for easy human use
- Takes a long time for rollover
- During the rollover process, the new key is available for cryptanalysis before it is actively used

– *Benefits*

- Small increase in zone size
- ZSK2 private key can be stored offline even if DDNS is being used



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### • *Comparison*

- *Problems with double signing*
  - Zone files double
  - More load on server due to above
  - Both private keys need to be on server if DDNS or some NSEC modes are in use
- *Benefits*
  - Simple, less steps and timing problems
  - Easier to synchronize with parent in case of KSK rollover

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### • *Authority delegation:*

- *DS record based*
  - Similar problems to key signing with the added fun of multiple parties!
  - This part may delay implementation in the large TLDs
    - Trial in .nl domain showed it was possible and produced some decent tools



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## • *Authority delegation:*

– *Basic tools we have already used:*

- dnssec-signzone creates DS records for us in the dsset-(zone name) file with the -g flag (on by default)

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## • *DS/KSK rollovers*

– *Double signing mode recommended, only one DS record must be doubled on the parent*

– *2 steps*

- Parent adds new DS key, replacing ZSK0
- Child replaces KSK0 with KSK2, signs records with KSK1 ,KSK2
  - Must wait for max TTL until next rollover



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- **Zonesigner, SPARTA, Inc**
  - <http://www.dnssec-tools.org>
    - Semi-automated dnssec management system
- **Nominum ANS dnssec-signer**
  - [www.nominum.com](http://www.nominum.com)
- **Jdnssec-signzone, Verisignlabs**
  - <http://www.verisignlabs.com/dnssec-tools/>
- **Ldns-signzone, NLNet Labs**
  - <http://www.nlnetlabs.nl/ldns/>
- **Pdnssec-signzone, Roy Arends**
  - <http://www.nsec3.org/cgi-bin/trac.cgi/browser/dnssec/perltools/>
- **DNSSEC Zone Key Tool**
  - <http://www.hznet.de/dns/zkt/>
- **See DNSSEC deployment initiative for more information**
  - <http://www.dnssec-deployment.org/software/index.htm>

## Dynamic updates

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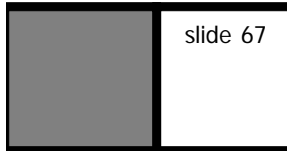
- ***Allows for hosts to update their own DNS records***
  - *Usually used with DHCP*
    - Available in ISC's DHCP 3.0.1rc7 and up
  - *Also available in from [www.dnssec-tools.org](http://www.dnssec-tools.org), as *ifup-dyn-dns* for linux*
  - *Private signing keys must be online for DDNS to work*
  - *Transactional authentication must be used for data transfer*



# Transactional Security

TSIG stands for Transaction SIGNature

SIG(0) also stands for transaction signature



- **TSIG keys**
  - Simple shared secret
- **SIG(0) keys**
  - Named for the SIG record it uses from old style DNSSEC, and the “covered type” field value of zero used to indicate SIG(0) processing
  - Public key / Private key
    - More security
    - Slightly more complexity
- **Used in authentication for zone transfers, dynamic updates, etc**

“Secret Key Transaction Authentication for DNS (TSIG)”, <http://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc2845>

Updated by <http://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc3645>, adding more flexibility

“DNS Request and Transaction Signatures ( SIG(0)s )”, <http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc2931.txt>

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- **NSEC records**
  - **Next record** ↘  
`600 NSEC ns1.kipsecurity.com NS SOA`  
`RRSIG NSEC DNSKEY` ← ↑
  - **List of record types associated with current name**
    - Example: Request `ftp.kipsecurity.com`
    - Return signed record (RRSIG omitted for brevity)
- apex 600 NSEC ns1.kipsecurity.com. NS SOA  
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### • ***NSEC records allow for denial of existence***

- *This is a security feature*
  - Why?
- *If request is between owners name and NSEC record, it does not exist*
  - Must also check wildcard matches
- *Problem: Allows for walking the domain*
- *Solution: Minimally covering NSEC records, or NSEC3*

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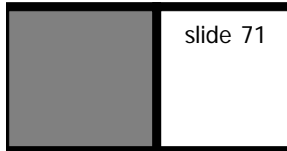
### • ***Minimally covering NSEC records***

- *Dynamically create NSEC records to cover asked for name, but not reveal other names*
  - Requires private key on Internet accessible server
  - Increases server load and can lead to DOS through using up entropy pool
  - Opens up more “chosen plaintext” attacks
  - Standardized, not widely implemented



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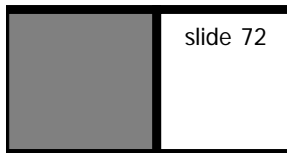
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- ***NSEC3***
  - *NSEC3 records use salted, hashed version of all possible names to deny that other names are available*
    - Stable, close to standardization, implementations in beta software
    - Returns quite large records, ideal for DOS amplification
- ***Bottom Line:***
  - *If using DNSSEC today, you open yourself up to RR walking*
    - But you now know the up and coming solutions

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- ***Security oblivious:***
  - *Not “security aware”*
- ***Stub resolver***
  - *Security aware stub resolver:*
    - A stub resolver with enough of knowledge of DNSSEC to provide secure resolving
  - Validating stub resolver:
    - A resolver which sends recursive queries, but validates the results of the queries itself
  - Non-validating stub resolver:
    - A resolver which trusts the recursive resolver to do the validation of security records

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### • *Recursive resolver*

- *Security aware resolver:*
  - Fully DNSSEC capable client side resolver
- *Security aware name server:*
  - Fully DNSSEC capable name server
- *Security aware recursive name server:*
  - Server that is a combination of the above

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### • *Recursive resolver*

- *Can be full validating,*
  - Bind: dnssec-enable yes
- *or simply security aware*

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### • *Stub resolver*

- *Best option is to be full validating resolver*
  - Only one exists at present, larger and slower than running full BIND
- *Can use validating recursive resolver and TSIG/SIG(0)*
  - Secure results, but no indication of breakage to end user/ programs

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### • *Drill*

- *drill -D test.kipsecurity.com*
  - Return all DNSSEC types
- *drill -S -k Kkipsecurity.com. +005+20587 test.kipsecurity.com*
  - Chase any signatures in the kipsecurity.com domain up to trusted anchor
- *drill -DT -k Kkipsecurity.com. +005+20587 test.kipsecurity.com*
  - Trace to test.kipsecurity.com from root down

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### • *Dig*

- *dig +dnssec +multiline kipsecurity.com*
  - Return all DNSSEC types
- *dig +dnssec +multiline +sigchase kipsecurity.com*
  - Validate up the tree
- *dig +dnssec +multiline +sigchase +topdown kipsecurity.com*
  - Validate down the tree

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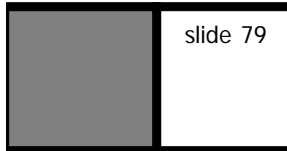
### • *SecSpider, the DNSSEC Monitoring Project*

- *Online tool that gives you a quick look at the health of your domain's DNSSEC records*
- *<http://secspider.cs.ucla.edu/>*



# Technologies enabled by DNSSEC

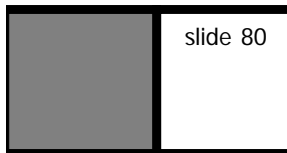
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- ***Oh the places you'll go!***
  - *Obvious impact: DNS now secure*
  - *SPF and spam impact*
  - *Phishing relatively unaffected*
  - *IPSECKEY for secure, automatic encryption everywhere!*
  - *SSH fingerprint broadcasting*
  - *Anything small that needs to be broadcast to the world securely*

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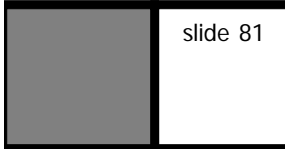
- ***High impact government sites***
  - *December 2007*
  - *Chosen by publication of NIST Special Publication 800-53 Rev 1*
    - <http://csrc.nist.gov/publications/nistpubs/index.html#sp800-53-Rev1>
  - *Deployment instructions in NIST SP 800-81*





# Everyone else

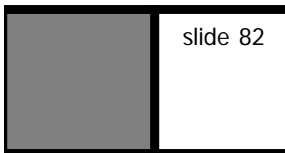
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- ***Suggest small testing zones to familiarize yourself with DNSSEC***
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  - *Signed root and reverse domains in test*
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  - *Microsoft support by early 2008*

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- ***Questions?***
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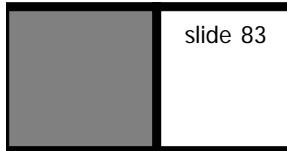


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*Thank you so much for your attention. If you have any further questions or comments, feel free to contact me.*

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### Ripe training materials

<http://www.ripe.net/training/dnssec/material/dnssec.pdf>

**DNSSEC HOWTO, a tutorial in disguise**

[http://www.nlnetlabs.nl/dnssec\\_howto/NIST](http://www.nlnetlabs.nl/dnssec_howto/NIST)

**Domain Name System Security (DNSSEC) Project**

<http://www-x.antd.nist.gov/dnssec/>

**NIST Secure Domain Name System (DNS) Deployment Guide**

<http://www.csrc.nist.gov/publications/nistpubs/800-81/SP800-81.pdf>

### RF Cs:

**DNS Security Introduction and Requirements:**

<http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc4033.txt>

**Resource Records for the DNS Security Extensions:**

<http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc4034.txt>

**Protocol Modifications for the DNS Security Extensions:**

<http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc4035.txt>

**Good list of resources**

<http://www.dnssec.net>

