Survey of Available Tools for DNSSEC

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Available Resources

- Various categories of resources are available
 - Tools for zone data administration
 - Tools for secure delegation registration
 - Tools for supporting operations at the validating systems including DNSSEC-capable applications
 - Developer resources
 - Operator guidance documentation
- Some of the available tools are catalogued at http://www.dnssec-deployment.org/tracker
- Existing tools have broad coverage
- Some gaps remain (currently being addressed within the community)





Resources for Zone Administration





Name Servers

BIND	Authoritative, validating, recursive, and caching open source name server implementation	ISC	www.isc.org
NSD	Authoritative only, open source name server	NLNet Labs	http://www.nlnetlabs.nl/nsd
UNBOUND	Validating, recursive and caching open source name server	NLNet Labs, Verisign, Nominet, Kirei	http://unbound.net/
ANS	Authoritative name server	Nominum, Inc.	www.nominum.com
CNS	Recursive name server	Nominum, Inc	www.nominum.com



Key Generation and Zone



Signing

dnssec-keygen, dnssec-signzone	Standard tools provided with the BIND distribution	ISC	http://www.isc.org
nom_keytool, ans_signer	Standard tools provided with the ANS distribution	Nominum	www.nominum.com
jdnssec-keygen, jdnssec-signzone	Tools from the jdnssectools suite	Verisign Labs	http://www.verisignlabs.com/dnssec-tools/
ldns-keygen, ldns- signzone	Tools from the ldns tool suite	NLNet Labs	http://www.nlnetlabs.nl/ldns/
pdnssec-keygen, pdnssec-signzone,	Tools from the DNSSEC perltools distribution	Roy Arends	http://www.nsec3.org/cgi- bin/trac.cgi/browser/dnssec/p erltools/
zonesigner	Wrapper around BIND tools, available in the dnssec-tools suite	SPARTA, Inc	http://www.dnssec- tools.org/wiki/index.php/Zon esigner
dnssec-zkt and dnssec-signer -	Wrapper around BIND tools	HZNET	http://www.hznet.de/dns/zkt/
ldns-zsplit and ldns-zcat	Tool from the ldns package for enabling parallel signing a large zone	NLNetLabs	http://www.nlnetlabs.nl/ldns/
maintkeydb, dnssigner	Tools from the DNSSEC Key Management Tools suite	RIPE NCC	https://www.ripe.net/projects /disi/dnssec_maint_tool/





Key Rollover

Rollerd and rolletl	Tool from the dnssec- tools package for managing different phases of ZSK and KSK rollover	SPARTA, Inc	http://www.dnssec- tools.org/wiki/index.php/Roll erd
Maintkeydb	Command line interface to a database containing DNSSEC Keys	RIPE NCC	https://www.ripe.net/projects /disi/dnssec_maint_tool/





Hardware Interface

DNSSEC Smartcard Utility	Supports operations for storing keys to Any PKCS#15 smartcard supported by OpenSC and exporting them as DNSSEC records	.SE	http://opensource.iis.se/trac/dnssec/browser/pkcs15-dnssec
pkcs11HSMtools	Modifications to BIND for native PKCS-11 HSM support	IANA	http://www.xtcn.com/~lamb /pkcs11HSMtools.tar.gz
Software for interfacing with crypto hardware	EVP Perl Implementation	Nominet	www.nominet.com
DNSSEC Appliance	A secured appliance that can be used as an automation engine for DNSSEC management tasks	Secure64	http://www.secure64.com/p roducts.shtml
dnsX	An appliance containing a secure signer, caching resolver and authoritative name server	Xelerance	http://www.xelerance.com/





Zone Troubleshooting

SZIT monitor extension	Tests the zone contents against best common practices and overall security	NIST	http://snad.ncsl.nist.gov/dnss ec/
donutsand donutsd	A dnslint like application available in the dnssec-tools suite, for analyzing zone files.	SPARTA, Inc	http://www.dnsæc- tools.org/wiki/index.php/Do nuts
Mapper	Tool in the dnssec-tools suite that maps DNS realms, color coding the results to allow for easy visual interpretation of the results	SPARTA, Inc	http://www.dnsæc- tools.org/wiki/index.php/Ma pper
jdnssec-verifyzone	Verifies all of the signatures in a zone for cryptographic validity	Verisign Labs	http://www.verisignlabs.com /dnssec-tools/
named-checkzone	Standard tool provided with the BIND distribution	ISC, BIND	www.isc.org





Resources for Creating Secure Delegations





DS Record Creation

dnssec-dstool	simple tool for	Verisign	http://www.verisignlabs.com
	generating DS (or DLV)	Labs	/dnssec-tools/
	records from DNSKEY		
	records		
ldns-key2dns	DNSKEY to DS	NLNet Labs	http://www.nlnetlabs.nl/ldns/
	conversion		_
Key2ds,	DNSKEY to DS	Olaf	http://www.net-dns.org/
Net::DNS::Sec	conversion	Kolkman	-





Update to Parent

Regsoft	Front-end for updating contents of a registry	Shinkuro, Inc	
CADR	registrar software that can move keys from subzones to parent zones	Afilias, Shinkuro, SPARTA, EP.net	http://cadr.rs.net/
libepp-nicbr	library that partially implements the Extensible Provisioning Protocol (EPP), as described in the Internet Drafts RFC3730bis to RFC3734bis and RFC3735	NIC.br	http://registro.br/epp/index- EN.html





Resources for Validating Systems





Fetching SEP Key Information

ISC DLV registry	Trust Anchor Repository constructed through explicit zone owner registration	ISC	https://secure.isc.org/index. pl?/ops/dlv/
Secspider	Trust Anchor Repository populated by a crawler program	UCLA, Colorado State	http://secspider.cs.ucla.edu/
IKS Jena Survey	Trust Anchor Repository populated by a crawler program	IKS Jena	http://www.iks- jena.de/leistungen/dnssec.p hp
IANA TAR	(Currently) demo Trust Anchor Repository for SEP keys for TLDs	IANA	https://ns.iana.org/dnssec/st atus.html
ldns-keyfetcher	queries and retrieves DNSKEYs for a given domain	NLNet Labs	http://www.nlnetlabs.nl/ldn s/
getdnskeys	Tool in the dnssec-tools suite for fetching, comparing and remembering a list of DNSKEYs from DNS zones	SPARTA, Inc	www.dnssec-tools.org





Automated TA Rollover

trustman	Implementation of RFC	SPARTA,	http://www.dnssec-
	5011 for automated	Inc	tools.org/wiki/index.php/Tr
	rollover of trust anchors		ustman
	in validating resolvers.		
	Tool available in the		
	dnssec-tools distribution		



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dig	Standard tool provided	ISC	www.isc.org
1 11	with the BIND software	277.27	
drill	Debugging/query tool for	NLNet Labs	http://www.nlnetlabs.nl/ld
	DNSSEC, similar to dig		ns/
validate	A tool that helps	SPARTA, Inc	http://www.dnssec-
	determine the validation		tools.org/wiki/index.php/
	status for a DNS record		Validate
	and the reasons for		
	validation failure if any		
dnspktflow	This tool, when	SPARTA, Inc	http://www.dnssec-
_	combined with tethereal		tools.org/wiki/index.php/
	and graphviz, can trace		Dnspktflow
	tcpdump/tethereal		
	network packet captures		
	to visually diagram dns		
	packet flows		
Traffic	Tool to capture and	NIST	http://snad.ncsl.nist.gov/d
Monitoring Tool	analyze DNS traffic to		nssec/
	and from a name server		
dnsdump	Perl script that captures	The	http://dns.measurement-
_	and displays DNS	Measurement	factory.com/tools/dnsdum
	packets seen on the	Factory	p/
	network		
dnscap	network capture utility	OARCI	http://public.oarci.net/tool
	designed specifically for		s/dnscap
	DNS traffic		
Logwatch	Configuration plugin to	Plugin	http://www2.logwatch.org
	have logwatch perform	provided by	:81/
	DNSSEc parsing of	SPARTA, Inc	
	system logging messages	available in	
	from running BIND	the logwatch	
	name serverq	distribution	

DNSSEC Capable Applications

Firefox	patch that enables DNSSEC checking of DNS lookups done with Firefox	SPARTA, Inc	http://www.dnssec- tools.org/wiki/index.php/F irefox
Thunderbird	patch that enables DNSSEC validation in the Thunderbird mail app	SPARTA, Inc	http://www.dnssec- tools.org/wiki/index.php/T hunderbird
SSH	patch that contains support for local DNSSEC validation for all DNS lookups	SPARTA, Inc	http://www.dnssec- tools.org/wiki/index.php/S sh
Sendmail	patch for adding DNSSEC validation support during lookups	SPARTA, Inc	http://www.dnssec- tools.org/wiki/index.php/S endmail
Postfix	patch for adding DNSSEC validation support during lookups	SPARTA, Inc	http://www.dnssec- tools.org/wiki/index.php/P ostfix
libsf2	patch for adding DNSSEC validation support during lookups and adding a new field in the mail header based on the results of the checks	SPARTA, Inc	http://www.dnssec- tools.org/wiki/index.php/L ibSPF
wget	patch to enable DNSSEC validation in wget	SPARTA, Inc	http://www.dnssec- tools.org/wiki/index.php/ Wget
ncftp	patch to enable DNSSEC validation during lookups	SPARTA, Inc	http://www.dnssec- tools.org/wiki/index.php/ Ncftp
proftpd	patch to enable DNSSEC validation during lookups	SPARTA, Inc	http://www.dnssec- tools.org/wiki/index.php/P roftpd





Developer Resources





Validation Libraries

libval	A C library that provides interfaces for name lookup with DNSSEC validation support.	SPARTA, Inc	http://www.dnssec- tools.org/docs/tool- description/libval.html
libval_shim	LD_PRELOAD-based approach for transparently adding DNSSEC capability to existing applications	SPARTA, Inc	http://www.dnssec- tools.org/docs/tool- description/libval_shim.ht ml
ldns library	A C library that provides validation capability	NLNet Labs	http://www.nlnetlabs.nl/ld ns/
libunbound	A C library that can be linked against applications to provide validation capability	NLNet Labs, Verisign, Nominet, Kirei	http://unbound.net/





Perl SDKs

Net::DNS::SEC	Extension to Net::DNS with DNSSEC functionality	RIPE NCC	http://www.net-dns.org/
Net::DNS::SEC:: Tools	Tools and modules that provide zone signing and key management configuration utilities.	SPARTA Inc	http://www.dnssec- tools.org/
Net::DNS::ZoneF ile::Fast	provides the ability to parse zone files that BIND8 and BIND9 use, fast.	Anton Berezin and SPARTA, Inc	http://search.cpan.org/dist/ Net-DNS-ZoneFile- Fast/Fast.pm







DNSSEC Validator API	Proposed API between applications and security aware validating stub resolvers	SPARTA, Inc	http://tools.ietf.org/id/draft -hayatnagarkar-dnsext- validator-api-06.txt
libunbound API	API provided by the libunbound library	NLNet Labs, Verisign, Nominet, Kirei	http://www.unbound.net/d ocumentation/index.html





Testing Resources

maketestzone	useful for generating test data which DNSSEC aware software can be tested against	SPARTA, Inc	www.dnssec-tools.org
Querysim	A DNS traffic replay tool	NIST	http://snad.ncsl.nist.gov/d nssec/
Packet Server	A tool that helps crafting packets with various settings to test the behavior of validating resolvers	Roy Arends	http://www.nsec3.org/cgi- bin/trac.cgi/browser/dnsse c/perltools/





Deployment Aids



Operator Guidance Documentation



NIST Special	Recommendations of the	NIST	http://csrc.nist.gov/publicati
Publication 800-	National Institute of		ons/nistpubs/
81	Science and Technology,		
	Deployment Guide		
RFC 4641	DNSSEC Operational	IETF	http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc4
	Practices		641.txt
Step-by-Step	Guides for signed zone	SPARTA,	http://www.dnssec-
guides	operation	Inc	tools.org/resources/docume
			ntation.html
DNSSEC Howto	A tutorial in disguise	NLNet Labs	http://www.nlnetlabs.nl/dns
			sec_howto/