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# Who is Nominum?

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Mission	Product Leadership	Industry Expertise
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Deliver the Trusted Internet Experience</b></li> <li>• <b>Strategic Partners:</b></li> </ul> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Best DNS Security</b></li> <li>• <b>Highest Scalability</b></li> <li>• <b>Highest Reliability</b></li> <li>• <b>All Open Standards</b></li> <li>• <b>Pioneered <u>Intelligent DNS</u></b></li> </ul> <p>Enabling rules and policies for every DNS request to protect end-users and ensure they reach their intended destination</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Dr. Paul Mockapetris</b> Inventor of DNS, IETF Chair: 1994-1996 Lifetime award: ACM SIGCOMM 2005</li> <li>• <b>Bob Halley</b> Co-Architect of BIND8 Architect of BIND9</li> <li>• <b>Ted Lemon</b> Developer of ISC-DHCP Co-author of DHCP Handbook</li> <li>• <b>Over 30 Standards authored or co-authored</b></li> </ul>

Securing the Worlds' Largest Carriers DNS Infrastructure with Over 170M Broadband Households



# DNS is good

- It created a whole industry
- It scales in every direction
- It's very hard to break
- It's the central entry point into the internet
- Google has a DNS service so it must be cool
  - You might want to think about why they did this
- I love it so much I joined a company whose main business is DNS

# DNS is bad (but there are solutions)

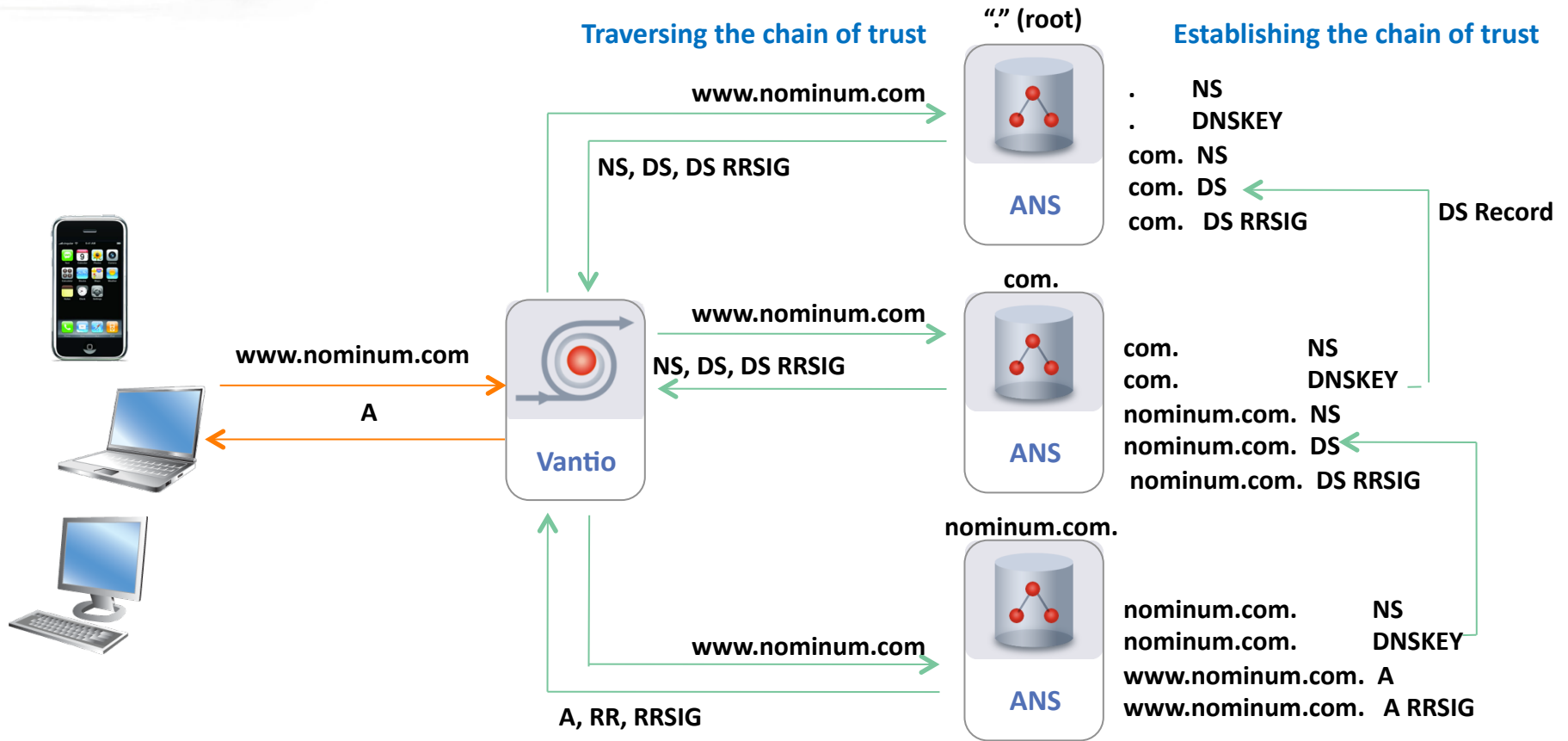
## Problem

- Data Integrity
- Fast Flux Botnets
- Trojans (Conficker)
- Phishing (gøøgle.com)
- Cache poisoning (Kaminsky)
- Root Server Hijacking (China)

## Solution

- DNSSEC
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# DNSSEC in one slide

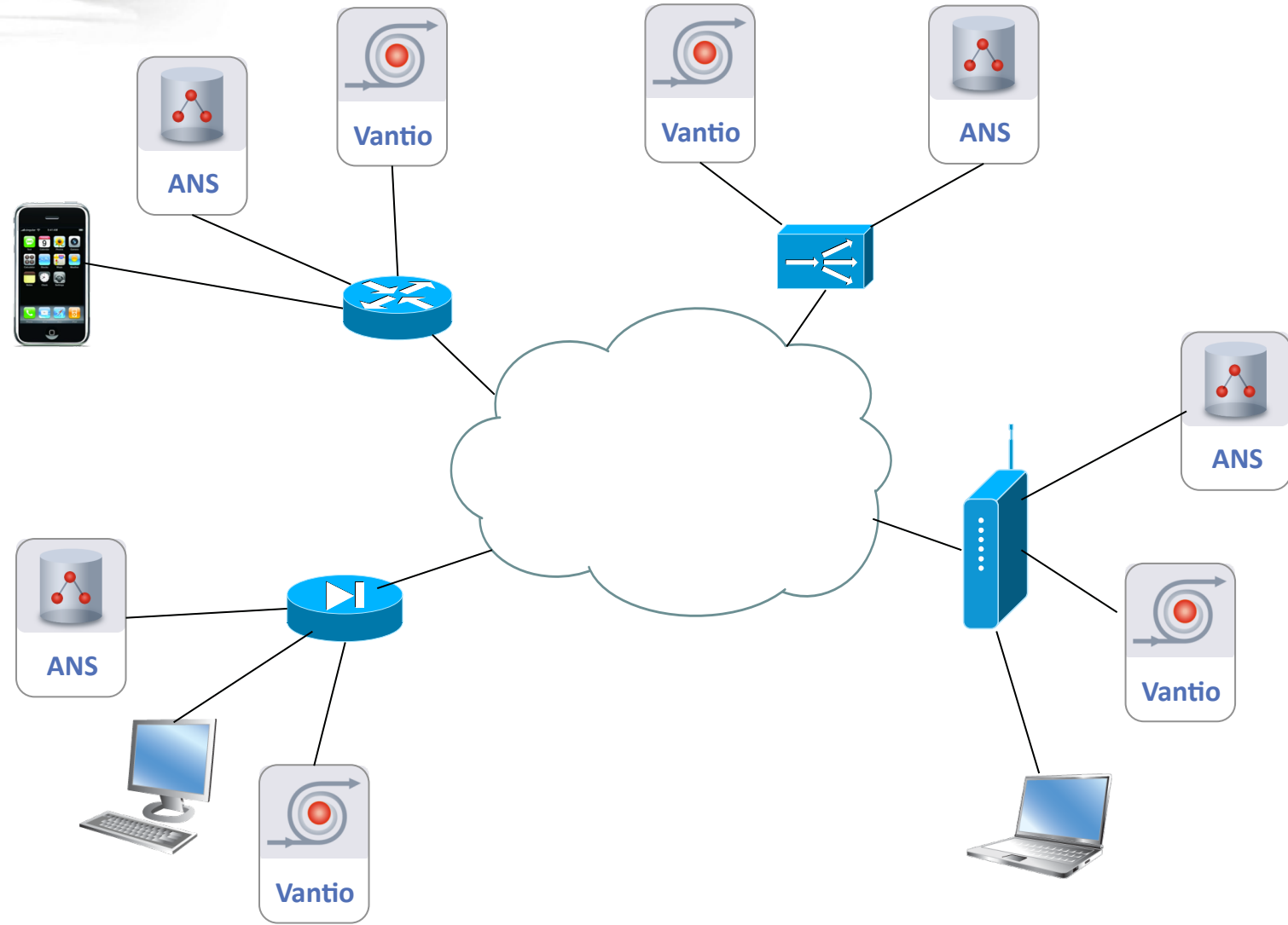


If verification is successful the DNS cache is populated with the A record, otherwise SERVFAIL is returned to clients

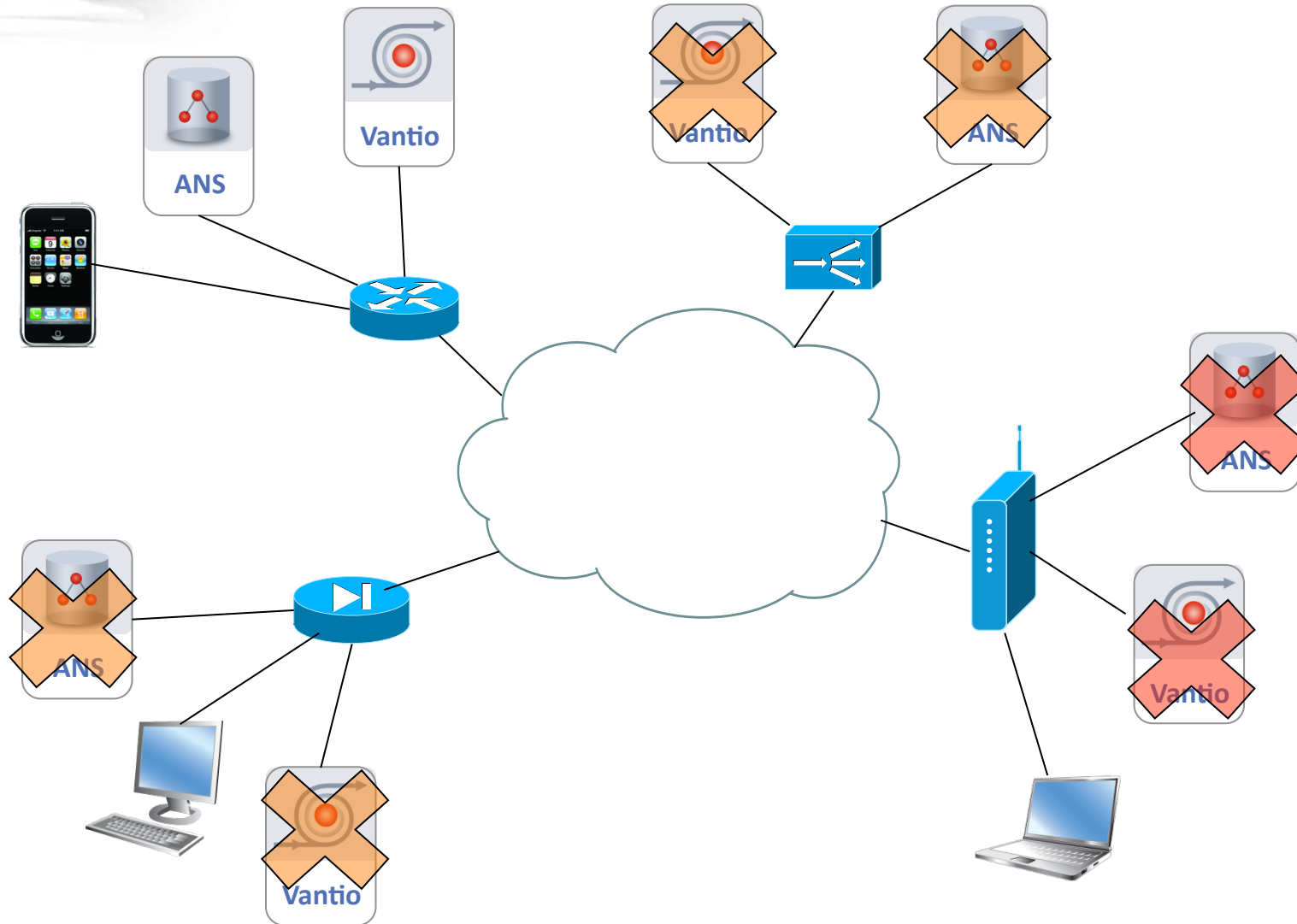
# What can go wrong

- Every error in the chain of trust disables it
- Cryptography requires constant changes
  - Signatures and keys have limited lifetimes
  - DNS data becomes dynamic with static content
  - Cryptographic algorithm may change
- Software has to be kept up to date or may fail
- DNS Data becomes bigger
  - A lot of people still believe DNS packets are 512 UDP only
  - DNS UDP packets can get up to 4096 bytes and fragment
  - If that's not enough DNS will switch to TCP
  - Not all network devices might understand this

# DNS and network devices



# DNSSEC network problems



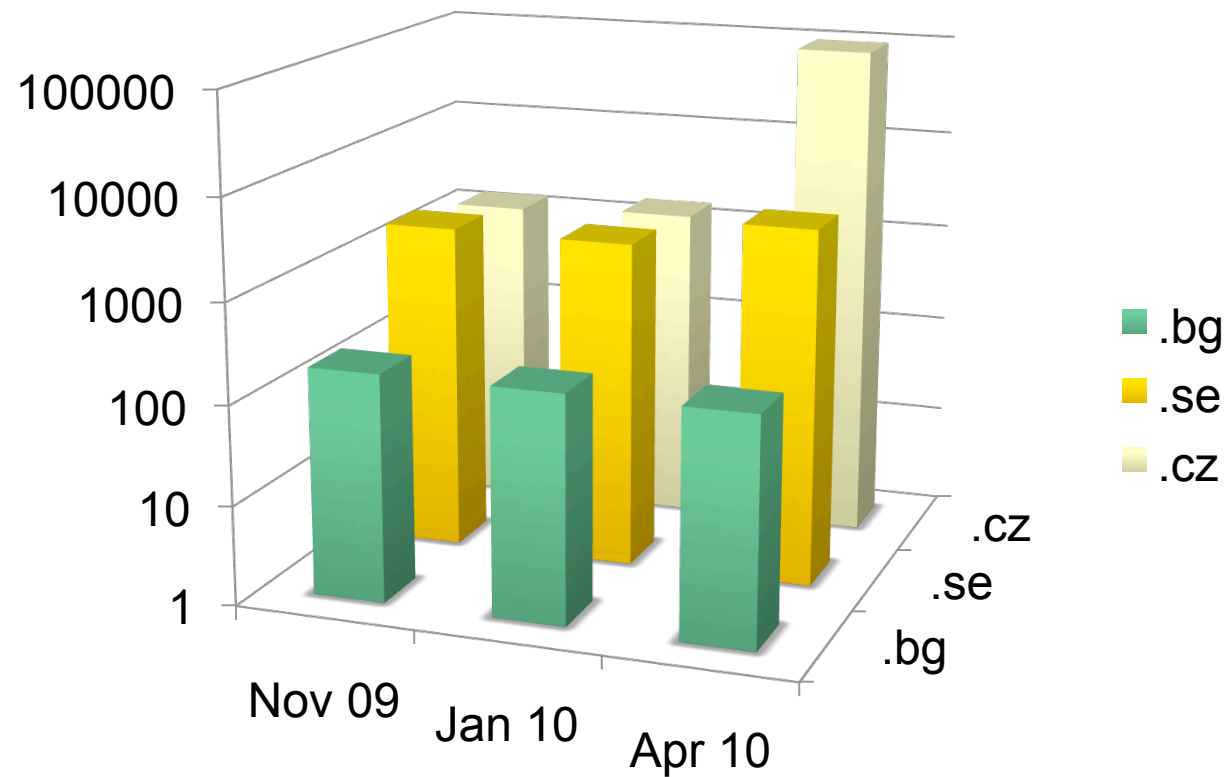


# DNSSEC and the network

- Clients are fine
  - They don't do DNSSEC validation at the moment
  - Windows and MacOSX don't have a validator
  - Only Fedora has and they screw it
  - The home gateway (9 out of 38) discussion only affects geeks
- Don't run DNS servers behind firewalls
  - It is possible but it usually requires configuration
  - Firewalls are not made for high qps throughput (to much state)
  - Enterprises that run a local bind resolver may have problems
- Load balancers should not alter DNS packets
  - Mostly applies for Global Server Load Balancing
  - You can use them for pure load distribution

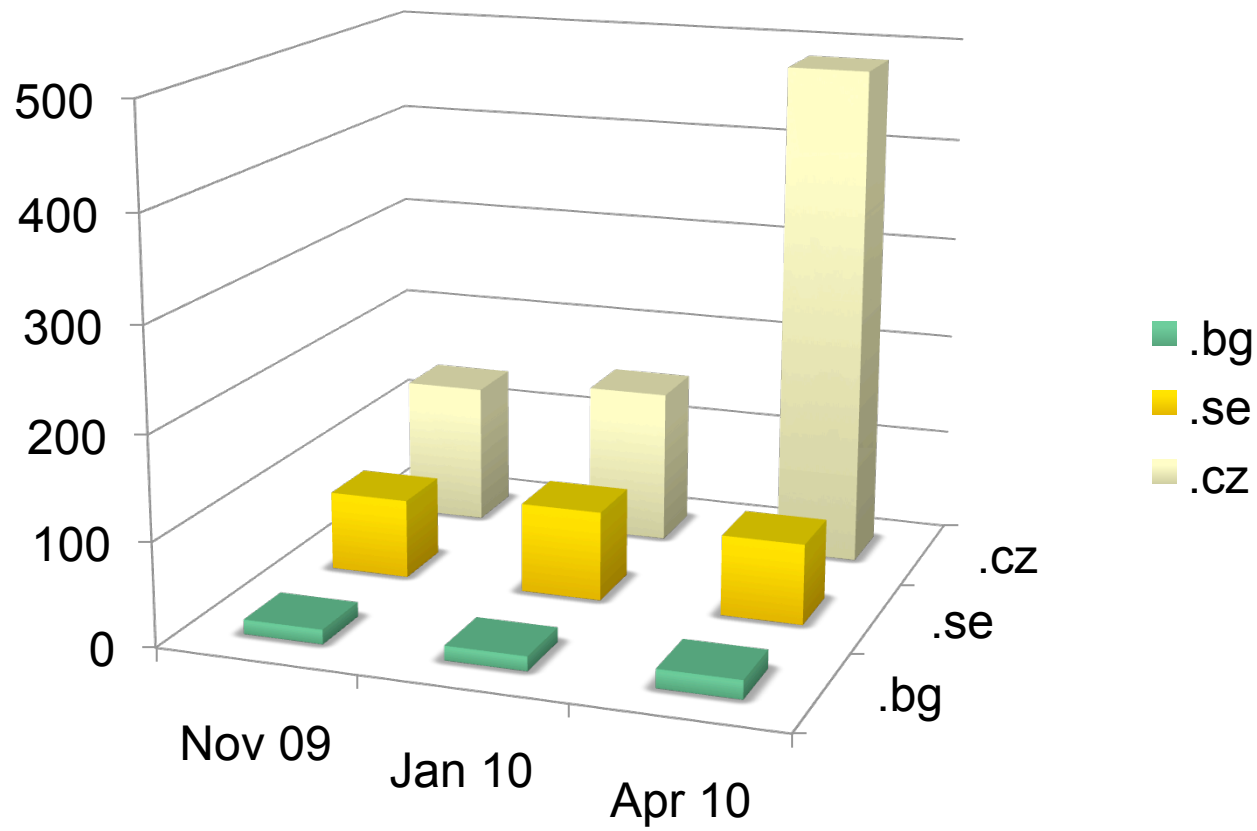
# Some DNSSEC statistics

- Number of DNSSEC domains (log scale)



# Some DNSSEC statistics

- Number of Domains that fail validation



# Statistics Summary

- DNSSEC is gaining momentum
  - It's good to see some large registrar taking it in CZ.
  - Some problems they might think about
    - All signatures expire at same time
    - Do not resign or roll everything at once
- Validation failures will be a problem
  - We need to get operators the tools to mitigate them
  - An insecure domain that resolves might be better than no resolving
  - Who would customers call when amazon.com failed

# Validation failures

- How do validation failures happen ?
  - The data on the authoritative side is wrong
    - Signatures expired
    - New keys without DS delegation at parent
    - Domain owner doesn't care about DNSSEC any longer (register.bg ;-)
- What can we do that they not happen ?
  - Don't require 70 pages documents for people to setup DNSSEC
  - Make the operator interface the same as it used to be
  - Automate the resigning
  - Automate the key rollover
  - Automate the parent/child key relationship

# Here's how we do it

## Insecure zone

```
@ 300 IN SOA ( ns1 hostmaster
    1265702400
    3600
    600
    2592000
    300 )
@ 300 IN NS ns1
@ 300 IN NS ns2
ns1 300 IN A 192.0.2.1
ns2 300 IN A 192.0.2.2
www 300 IN A 192.0.2.3
```

## Secure zone

```
@ 300 IN SOA ( ns1 hostmaster
    1265702400
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# Securing a zone

- One Server command
  - `ans_dnssectool create-pack example.com`
- What does it do
  - Generates Key and Zone signing key
  - Signs the zone (with RRSIG and NSEC)
  - When all is done this is an atomic update and the zone is served secure
- What happens then
  - Before the signatures expire the server will resign the zone
  - Once the zone is fully signed an atomic update will bring it live
  - When a zone signing key rollover is wanted at time X the server will pre publish the new keys so that the new signatures will be accepted
  - When a key signing key rollover is wanted at time Y the server will double sign the key set until the parent has change the DS

# Example.com on the wire

```
example.com. 300 IN SOA ns1.example.com. RRSIG NSEC
hostmaster.example.com. 1265702401 3600 600 2592000 300
example.com. 300 IN RRSIG SOA 5 2 300
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example.com. 300 IN RRSIG NSEC 5 2 300
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- A resolver is the first thing asked by most Internet applications
- If we know that the questions is bad we can protect the user
  - Not allowing trojans to download their payload
  - Notify the User if he or she e.g. is infected with malwar
  - Don't let Users go to phishing sites
- Governments in Europe also use this to protect their citizen
- If you know what the user asked does not exist you can guide him if you want

# The future

- DNSSEC will come and we fully support and automate it
- Our customers do
  - Comcast announced that it will fully support DNSSEC in 2011
  - Enable DNSSEC in all caching resolvers
  - Will sign all their 5000 zones
  - All be done using our products
- You should too
  - ISPs/Telcos should start to run DNSSEC validating resolvers
  - Sign your zones

# Thank You!

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- Q & A!