Overview of Open Source Tools for DNSSEC

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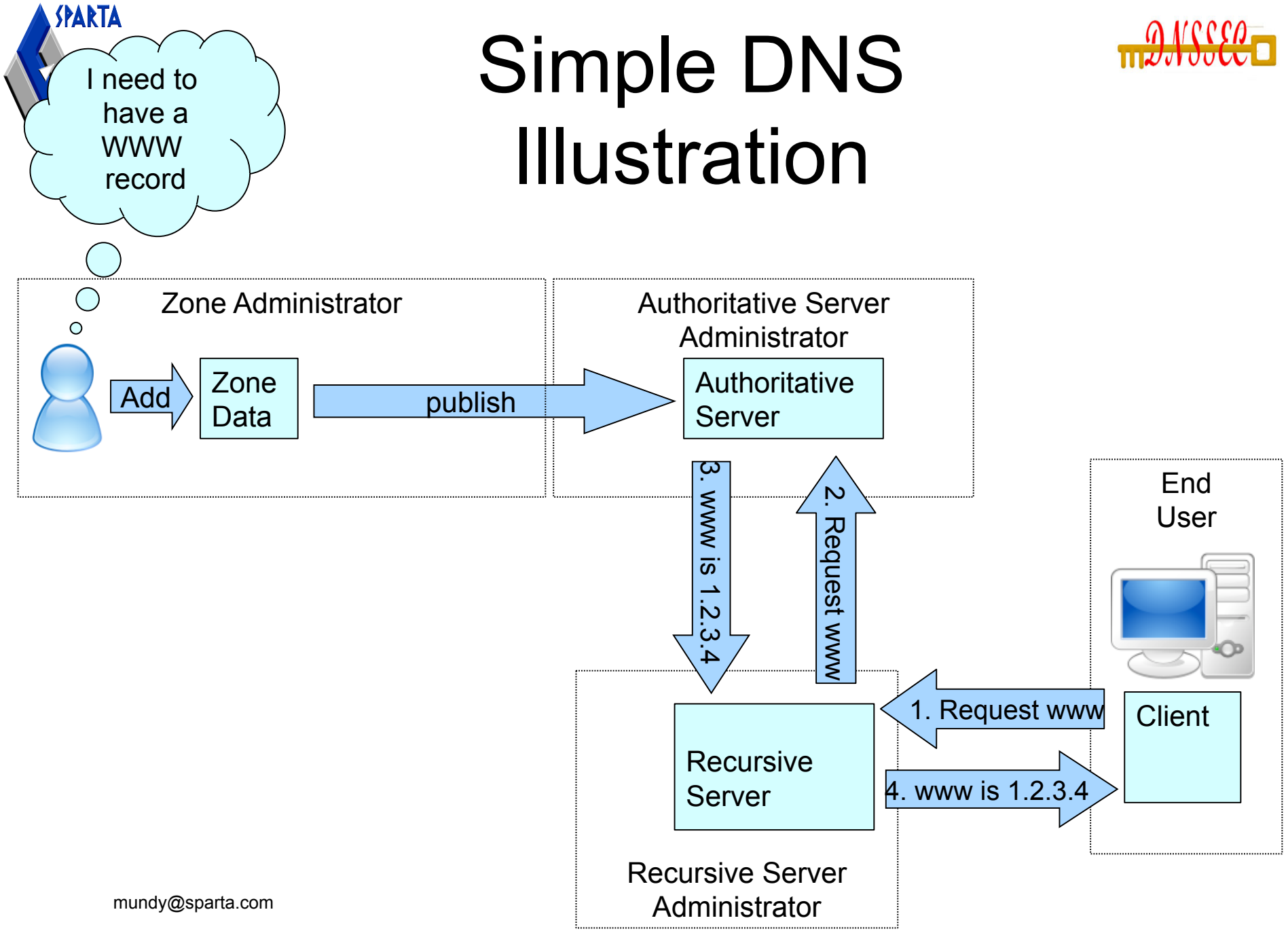
Simple DNS Illustration



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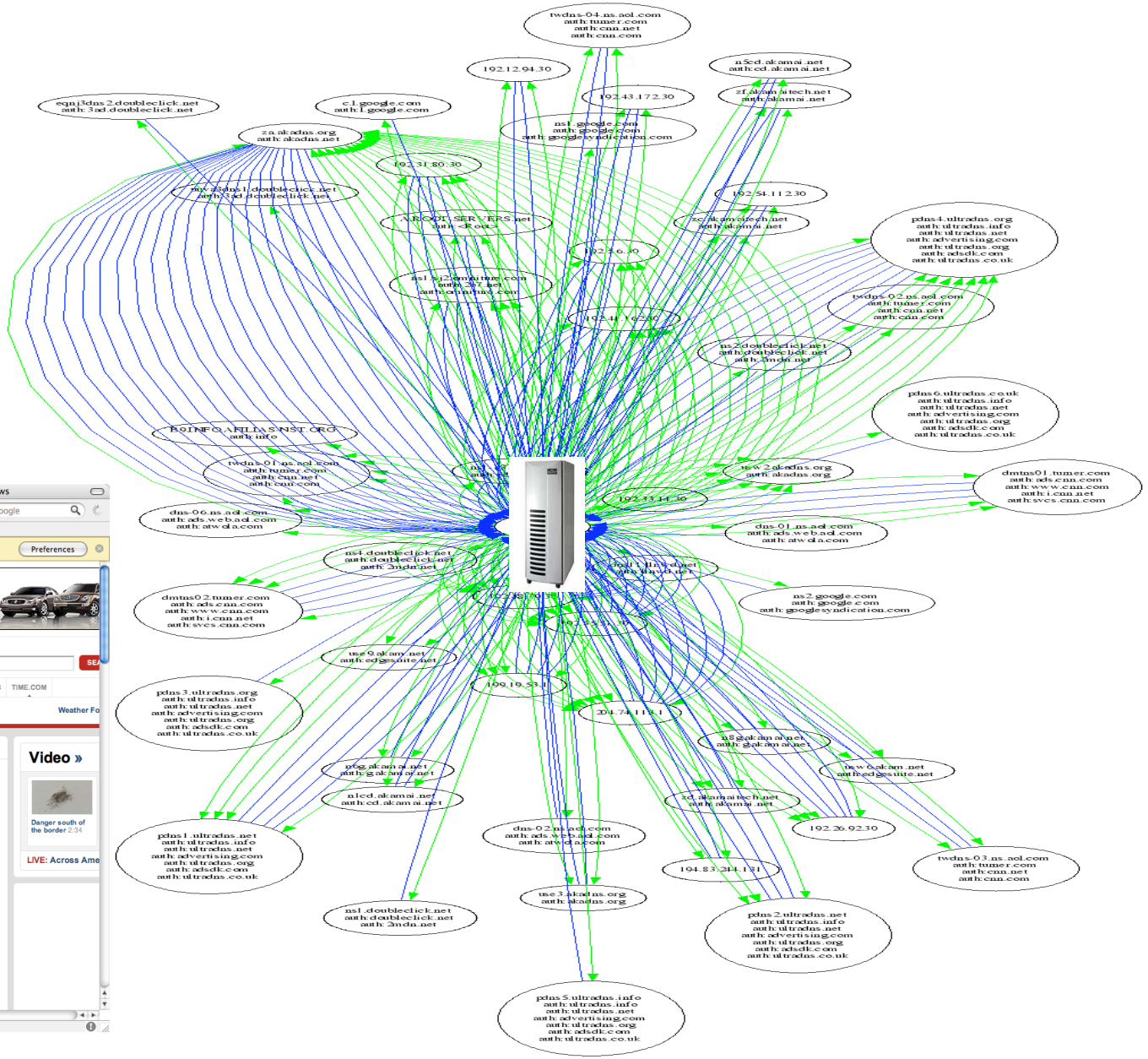
1 Webpage = Multiple DNS Name Resolutions



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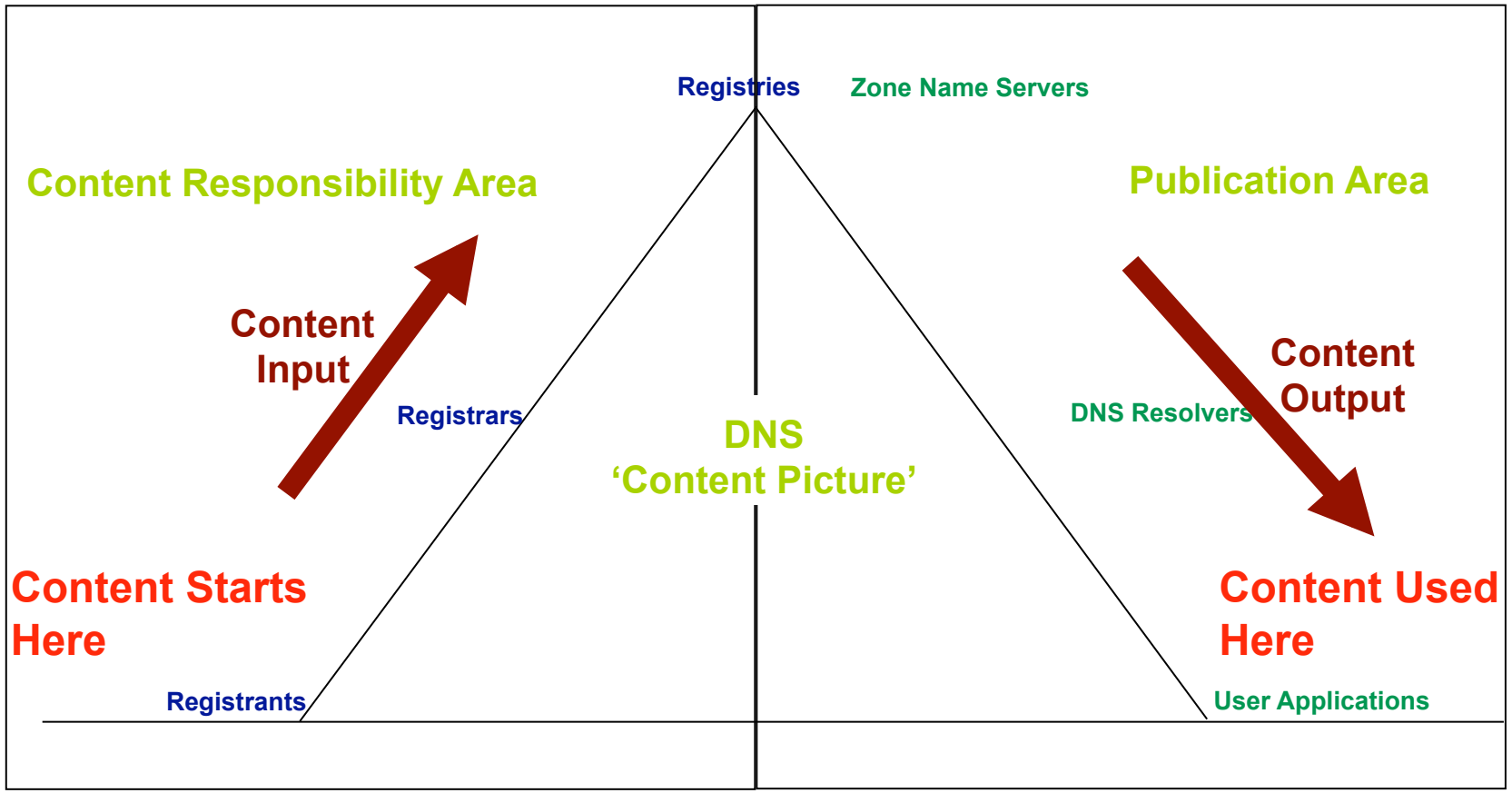
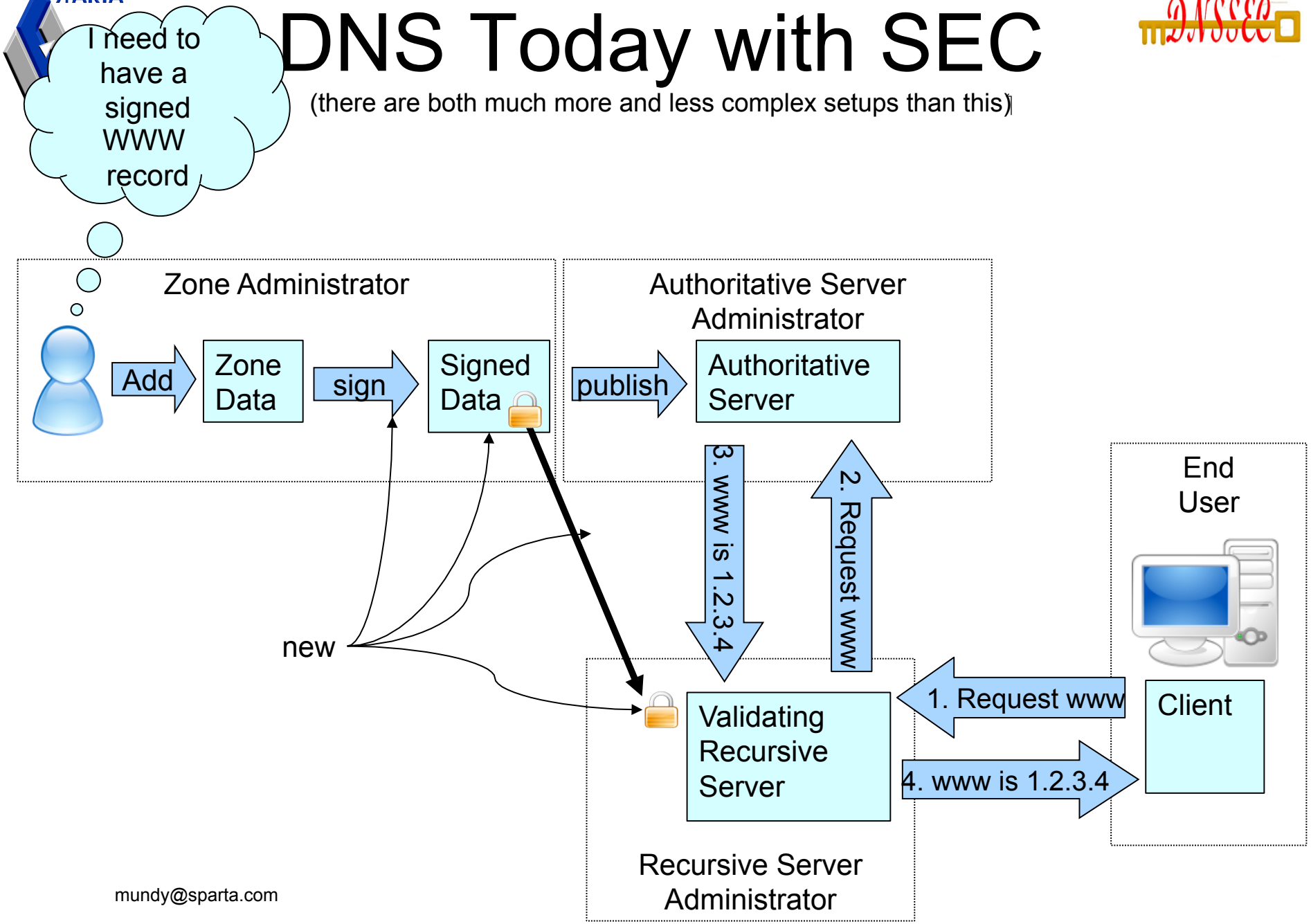


DNS Today with SEC

(there are both much more and less complex setups than this)



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Wide Range of Tools

- Taking full advantage of DNSSEC capabilities will occur gradually over time
- Adding DNSSEC capabilities to various DNS related functions will occur gradually
- Large number of open source tools available
  - Existing tools continue to evolve
  - New tools and capabilities continue to appear

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 jdnssec-tools 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/perltools/
zonesigner	Wrapper around BIND tools, available in the dnssec-tools suite	SPARTA, Inc	http://www.dnssec-tools.org/wiki/index.php/Zonesigner
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 rollctl	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/Rollerd
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/products.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/dnssec/
donuts and donutsd	A dnslint like application available in the dnssec-tools suite, for analyzing zone files.	SPARTA, Inc	http://www.dnssec-tools.org/wiki/index.php/Donuts
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.dnssec-tools.org/wiki/index.php/Mapper
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 generating DS (or DLV) records from DNSKEY records	Verisign Labs	http://www.verisignlabs.com /dnssec-tools/
ldns-key2dns	DNSKEY to DS conversion	NLNet Labs	http://www.nlnetlabs.nl/ldns/
Key2ds, Net::DNS::Sec	DNSKEY to DS conversion	Olaf Kolkman	http://www.net-dns.org/

Update to Parent

Regsoft	Front-end for updating contents of a registry	Shinkuro, Inc	
CADR	registrar software that can move keys from sub-zones 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 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.php
IANA TAR	(Currently) demo Trust Anchor Repository for SEP keys for TLDs	IANA	https://ns.iana.org/dnssec/status.html
ldns-keyfetcher	queries and retrieves DNSKEYs for a given domain	NLNet Labs	http://www.nlnetlabs.nl/ldns/
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 5011 for automated rollover of trust anchors in validating resolvers. Tool available in the dnssec-tools distribution	SPARTA, Inc	http://www.dnssec-tools.org/wiki/index.php/Trustman

Troubleshooting

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

DNSSEC Aware Applications

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/Firefox
Firefox Addon	Checks DNSSEC validity of DNS portion of url bar	Cz nic Labs	https://addons.mozilla.org/en-US/firefox/addon/64247
Thunderbird	patch that enables DNSSEC validation in the Thunderbird mail app	SPARTA, Inc	http://www.dnssec-tools.org/wiki/index.php/Thunderbird
SSH	patch that contains support for local DNSSEC validation for all DNS lookups	SPARTA, Inc	http://www.dnssec-tools.org/wiki/index.php/Ssh
Sendmail	patch for adding DNSSEC validation support during lookups	SPARTA, Inc	http://www.dnssec-tools.org/wiki/index.php/Sendmail
Postfix	patch for adding DNSSEC validation support during lookups	SPARTA, Inc	http://www.dnssec-tools.org/wiki/index.php/Postfix
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/LibSPF
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/Proftpd

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.html
ldns library	A C library that provides validation capability	NLNet Labs	http://www.nlnetlabs.nl/ldns/
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::ZoneFile::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

Validator API

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/documentation/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/dnssec/
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/dnssec/perltools/

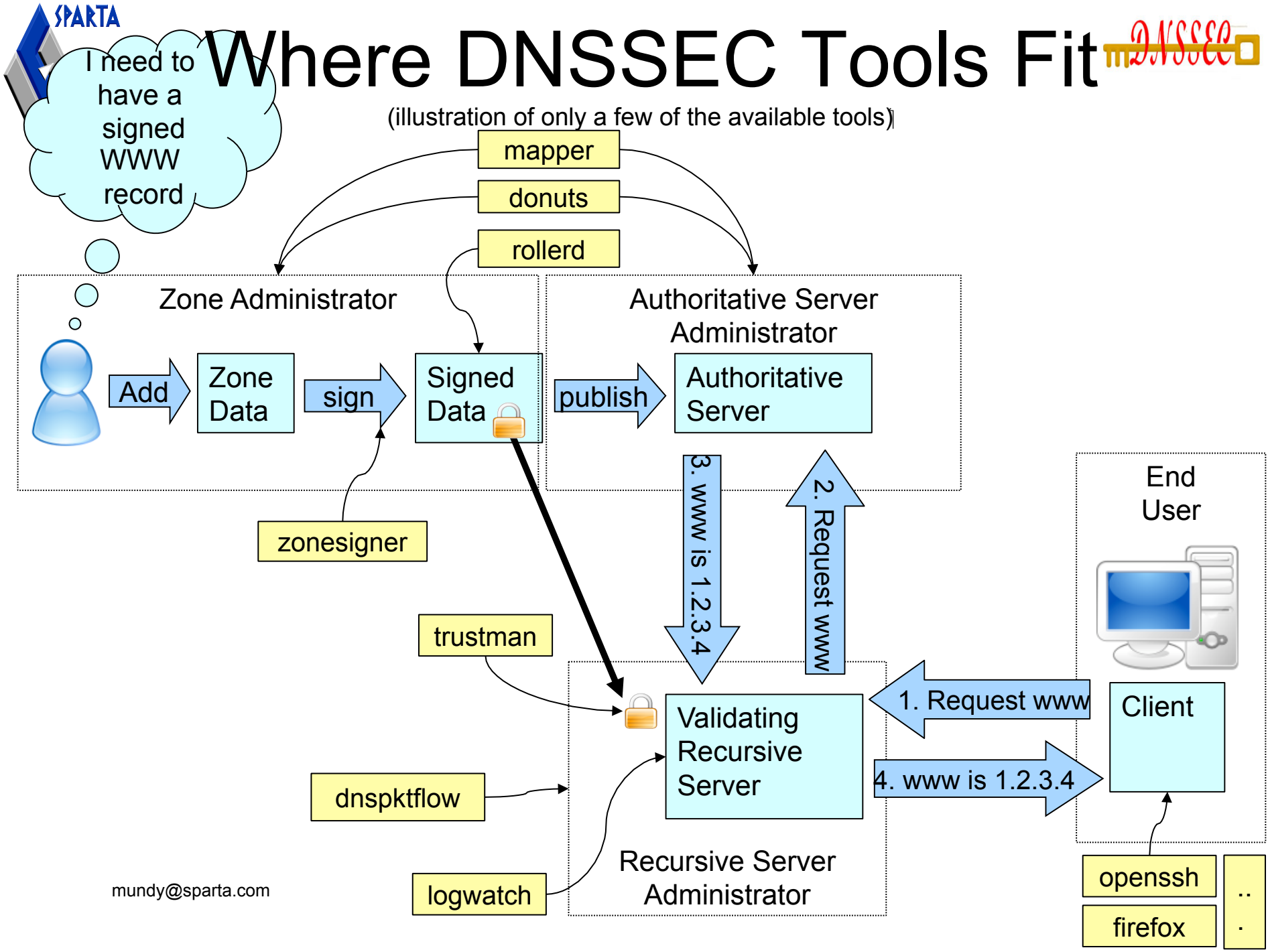
Deployment Aids

Operator Guidance Documentation

NIST Special Publication 800-81	Recommendations of the National Institute of Science and Technology, Deployment Guide	NIST	http://csrc.nist.gov/publications/nistpubs/
RFC 4641	DNSSEC Operational Practices	IETF	http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc4641.txt
Step-by-Step guides	Guides for signed zone operation	SPARTA, Inc	http://www.dnssec-tools.org/resources/documentation.html
DNSSEC Howto	A tutorial in disguise	NLNet Labs	http://www.nlnetlabs.nl/dnssec_howto/

Where DNSSEC Tools Fit

(illustration of only a few of the available tools)



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Survey of DNSSEC Tools

https://www.dnssec-deployment.org/wiki/index.php/Tools_and_Resources

DNSSEC Resources

- SPARTA DNSSEC Project page
  - http://www.dnssec-tools.org
  - Tools, Applications, Step-by-step guides.
- DNSSEC Deployment Working Group
  - http://www.dnssec-deployment.org
  - Mailing list: dnssec-deployment@dnssec-deployment.org
- NIST DNSSEC Project page
  - http://www-x.antd.nist.gov/dnssec
  - Links to NIST tools & SNIP effort
- Secure Naming Infrastructure Pilot
  - http://www.dnsops.gov
  - Distributed test domain/training pilot

Comments or Questions?

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