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# DMS Documentation

## Administration Operational Procedures

### Adding a DNS Slave to DMS

Based on Debian Wheezy

To prevent installation of recommended packages add the following to /etc/apt/apt.conf.d/00local.conf:

```
// No point in installing a lot of fat on VM servers
APT::Install-Recommends "0";
APT::Install-Suggests "0";
```

Install these packages:

```
# aptitude install bind9 racoon rsync cron-apt bind9-host \
screen psmisc procps tree sysstat lsof open-vm-tools
```

Select racoon-tool method of racoon configuration

#### Sysctl IPSEC settings

To prevent network problems with running out of buffers, create the file /etc/sysctl.d/30-dms-core-net.conf with the following contents:

```
# Tune kernel for heave IPSEC DNS work.
# Up the max connection buffers
net.core.somaxconn=8192
net.core.netdev_max_backlog=8192
# Reduce TCP final timeout
net.ipv4.tcp_fin_timeout=10
# Increase size of xfrm tables
net.ipv6.xfrm6_gc_thresh=16384
net.ipv4.xfrm4_gc_thresh=16384
```

and then reload sysctls with

```
# service procps start
```

#### Racoon

Edit /etc/racoon/racoon-tool.conf

```
connection(%default):
    src_ip: 2001:470:c:110e::2
    admin_status: disabled

peer(2001:470:f012:2::2):

# DMS Master 1
connection(shalom-ext):
    dst_ip: 2001:470:f012:2::2
    admin_status: enabled

# DMS Master 2
peer(2001:470:f012:2::3):

connection(shalom-dr):
    dst_ip: 2001:470:f012:2::3
    admin_status: enabled
```

Note that IPSEC connections to each DMS master server have to be configured on each Slave.

Edit /etc/racoon/psk.txt to set PSK secrets. Generate with

```
# pwgen -asn 128 1
Dbj4gxNUGnW0wx8ax8de2Sa38izza9HtzNWCjxkCXFXGWxokeqOd7VgX6sRRDiFVptNQTBBMPNP
mC8iK6QCJz3bJzQT06090QqR6RGbE1hpLKG5xPfNd7DOBLKlnQtcn
```

(You can apt-get install it). Make **SURE** each individual IPSEC connection has a unique PSK key for security. They can be generated easily, and cut/paste over terminal root session, so no big loss if they are lost.

## Rsync

1. Edit /etc/default/rsync, and enable rsyncd
2. Create /etc/rsyncd.conf:

```
hosts allow = 2001:470:f012:2::2/128 2001:470:f012:2::3/128
secrets file = /etc/rsyncd.secrets

[dnsconf]
    path = /etc/bind/rsync-config
    uid=bind
    gid=bind
    comment = Slave server config area
    auth users = dnsconf
    use chroot = yes
    read only = no
```

3. Create /etc/rsyncd.secrets

```
dnsconf:etc-net24-rsync-slave-password
```

4. Do this at the shell to create target /etc/bind/rsync-config directory:

```
mkdir /etc/bind/rsync-config
chown bind:bind /etc/bind/rsync-config
```

5. and named slave directory

```
mkdir /var/cache/bind/slave
chown root:bind /var/cache/bind/slave
chmod 775 /var/cache/bind/slave
```

6. Start rsyncd

```
# service rsync start
```

7. Test connectivity from DMS Masters

```

dms-master1# telnet new-slave domain
dms-master1# telnet new-slave rsync
dms-master1# telnet new-slave 973
dms-master2# telnet new-slave domain
dms-master2# telnet new-slave rsync
dms-master2# telnet new-slave 973

zone_tool> create_slave new-slave-name ip-address
zone_tool> rsync_admin_config no_rndc

```

## Bind9

Change /etc/bind/named.conf.options to the following:

```

options {
    directory "/var/cache/bind";

    // If there is a firewall between you and nameservers you want
    // to talk to, you may need to fix the firewall to allow multiple
    // ports to talk. See http://www.kb.cert.org/vuls/id/800113

    // If your ISP provided one or more IP addresses for stable
    // nameservers, you probably want to use them as forwarders.
    // Uncomment the following block, and insert the addresses
replacing
    // the all-0's placeholder.

    // forwarders {
    //     0.0.0.0;
    // };

//=====
// If BIND logs error messages about the root key being expired,
// you will need to update your keys. See
https://www.isc.org/bind-keys

//=====
// dnssec-validation auto;

// auth-nxdomain no;      # conform to RFC1035

listen-on { localhost; };
listen-on-v6 { any; };
include "/etc/bind/rsync-config/options.conf";
};
```

Note that the listen directives are given in file, Debian options commented out, as they are set in the rsynced include at the bottom.

Change /etc/bind/named.conf.local to the following:

```
//  
// Do any local configuration here  
  
// Consider adding the 1918 zones here, if they are not used in your  
// organization  
//include "/etc/bind/zones.rfc1918";  
  
// rndc config  
include "/etc/bind/rndc.key";  
include "/etc/bind/rsync-config/rndc-remote.key";  
include "/etc/bind/rsync-config/controls.conf";  
// Logging configuration  
include "/etc/bind/rsync-config/logging.conf";  
// Secondary zones  
include "/etc/bind/rsync-config/bind9.conf";
```

This file is used to include all the required bits from the /etc/bind/rsync-config directory. All this configuration can now be updated from the master server, and the slave reconfigured – but watch it when you go changing the rndc keys.

Restart bind9

```
# service bind9 restart
```

and check /var/log/syslog for any errors.

Check that on the master servers that zone\_tool rsync\_admin\_config works - it by default will rndc the slave.

```
dms-master1# zone_tool write_rndc_conf  
dms-master1# zone_tool rsync_server_admin_config  
  
dms-master2# zone_tool write_rndc_conf  
dms-master2# zone_tool rsync_server_admin_config
```

## Enable Server

On the live DMS master, enable the slave, and watch that it changes state to OK. This may take 15-20 minutes

```

dms-master-live# zone_tool
zone_tool > enable_server <slave-name>
.

.

.

zone_tool > ls_pending_events
ServerSMConfigChange dms-master1           Tue Aug 21
14:19:39 2012
ServerSMConfigChange dms-master2           Tue Aug 21
14:19:39 2012
ServerSMConfigChange dms-slave0            Tue Aug 21
14:19:39 2012
ServerSMConfigChange dms-slave1            Tue Aug 21
14:19:39 2012
MasterSMHoldTimeout                         Tue Aug 21
14:29:39 2012

.

.

.

zone_tool > show_sg vygr-one
    sg_name:          vygr-one
    config_dir:       /etc/net24/slave-config-templates
    master_address:  None
    master_alt_address: None
    replica_sg:      False
    zone_count:      37

    Named slave configuration state:
    dms-s1-akl        2406:1e00:1001:2::2
        OK
    dms-s1-chc        2406:3e00:1001:2::2
        OK
zone_tool >

```

## Break Fix Scenarios

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- [Stuck ServerSM](#)
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## Log and Configuration Files

The following are detailed elsewhere in the documentation

/var/log/net24/net24dmd.log*	net24dmd logs
/var/log/local7.log	DMS named logs
/var/log/syslog	Basically everything
/et/net24/net24.conf	net24dmd, wsgi and zone_tool configuration file
/etc/net24	Various passwords, templates and things

See [Named.conf and Zone Templating](#) for more details.

## Checking DMS status

- 1) Check that named, postgres, and net24dmd are running on the master
- 2) Using zone\_tool show\_dms\_status on master server

```
zone_tool > show_dms_status

show_master_status:

MASTER_SERVER:      dms-ak1

NAMED master configuration state:

hold_sg:           HOLD_SG_NONE
hold_sg_name:      None
hold_start:        Wed Nov  7 16:52:36 2012
hold_stop:         Wed Nov  7 17:02:36 2012
replica_sg_name:   vygr-replica
state:             HOLD

show_replica_sg:
    sg_name:          vygr-replica
    config_dir:       /etc/net24/server-config-templates
    master_address:   2406:1e00:1001:1::2
    master_alt_address: 2406:3e00:1001:1::2
    replica_sg:       True
    zone_count:       37

Replica SG named status:
dms-chc           2406:3e00:1001:1::2

OK
```

```

ls_server:
dms-akl                               Wed Nov  7 16:52:46 2012          OK
    2406:1e00:1001:1::2                  None
    ping: 5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0.00% packet loss
dms-chc                               Wed Nov  7 16:52:46 2012          OK
    2406:3e00:1001:1::2                  210.5.48.242
    ping: 5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0.00% packet loss
dms-s1-akl                            Wed Nov  7 16:31:04 2012          RETRY
    2406:1e00:1001:2::2                  103.4.136.226
    ping: 5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0.00% packet loss
retry_msg:
    Server 'dms-s1-akl': SOA query - timeout waiting for
    response, retrying
dms-s1-chc                            Wed Nov  7 16:52:46 2012          OK
    2406:3e00:1001:2::2                  210.5.48.226
    ping: 5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0.00% packet loss

list_pending_events:
ServerSMConfigure      dms-s1-akl           Wed Nov  7 16:57:22
2012
ServerSMCheckServer   dms-chc            Wed Nov  7 16:53:55
2012
ServerSMCheckServer   dms-akl            Wed Nov  7 16:55:46
2012
ServerSMCheckServer   dms-s1-chc          Wed Nov  7 16:57:06
2012
MasterSMHoldTimeout   dms-s1-akl          Wed Nov  7 17:02:36
2012

```

```
zone_tool >
```

- Check Master server name, that machine is actually the master
- Check master state, HOLD means named reconfigured in the last 10 minutes
- All servers shown at bottom should be in OK or CONFIG states, staying in RETRY or BROKEN means server may not be contactable. RETRY or BROKEN states should also have a retry\_msg: field giving the associated log message
- list\_pending\_events shows events that have to be processed  
Any events that are scheduled in the past may indicate net24dmd having serious problems

### Failing Over as Master Server has Burned (or Subject to EQC Claim)

On the Replica:

```
dms-chc: -root- [~]
# dms_promote_replica
+ perl -pe s/^#(\s*local7.* :ompgsql:\s+,dms,rsyslog,.*)$/\1/ -i
/etc/rsyslog.d/pgsql.conf
+ set +x
[ ok ] Stopping enhanced syslogd: rsyslogd.
[ ok ] Starting enhanced syslogd: rsyslogd.
+ perl -pe s/^NET24DMD_ENABLE=.*/NET24DMD_ENABLE=true/ -i
/etc/default/net24dmd
+ perl -pe s/^OPTIONS=.*/OPTIONS="-u bind"/ -i /etc/default/bind9
+ set +x
[....] Stopping domain name service...: bind9waiting for pid 8744 to die
. ok
[ ok ] Starting domain name service...: bind9.
[ ok ] Starting net24dmd: net24dmd.
+ zone_tool write_rndc_conf
+ zone_tool reconfig_all
+ perl -pe s/^#+(.zone_tool vacuum_all)$/\1/ -i /etc/cron.d/dms-core
+ do_dms_wsgi
+ return 0
+ perl -pe s/^(\s*exit\s+0.*$)/#\1/ -i /etc/default/apache2
+ set +x
[ ok ] Starting web server: apache2.

dms-chc: -root- [~]
#
```

Wait till servers started, and then use zone\_tool show\_dms\_status to check that everything becomes OK. This may take 15 minutes. The section about ls\_pending\_events will give scheduled times for servers to become configured.

```
dms-chc: -root- [~]
# zone_tool show_dms_status

show_master_status:
```

```

MASTER_SERVER:      dms-chc

NAMED master configuration state:

hold_sg:           HOLD_SG_NONE
hold_sg_name:      None
hold_start:        Fri Nov  9 08:30:49 2012
hold_stop:         Fri Nov  9 08:40:49 2012
replica_sg_name:   vygr-replica
state:             HOLD

show_replica_sg:
sg_name:           vygr-replica
config_dir:        /etc/net24/server-config-templates
master_address:    2406:1e00:1001:1::2
master_alt_address: 2406:3e00:1001:1::2
replica_sg:        True
zone_count:        37

Replica SG named status:
dms-akl            2406:1e00:1001:1::2

RETRY

ls_server:
dms-akl            Fri Nov  9 08:23:08 2012          RETRY
2406:1e00:1001:1::2           None
ping: 5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0.00% packet loss
retry_msg:
  Server 'dms-akl': SOA query - timeout waiting for response,
  retrying
dms-chc            Fri Nov  9 08:30:58 2012          OK
2406:3e00:1001:1::2           210.5.48.242
ping: 5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0.00% packet loss
dms-s1-akl          Fri Nov  9 08:30:58 2012          OK
2406:1e00:1001:2::2           103.4.136.226
ping: 5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0.00% packet loss
dms-s1-chc          Fri Nov  9 08:30:58 2012          OK
2406:3e00:1001:2::2           210.5.48.226
ping: 5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0.00% packet loss

list_pending_events:
ServerSMCheckServer      dms-chc                  Fri Nov  9 08:39:53
2012
MasterSMHoldTimeout       Fri Nov  9 08:40:49
2012
ServerSMCheckServer      dms-s1-chc                Fri Nov  9 08:40:08
2012
ServerSMCheckServer      dms-s1-akl                Fri Nov  9 08:36:01
2012
ServerSMConfigure        dms-akl                  Fri Nov  9 08:50:17
2012

```



```
dms-chc: -root- [~]
#
```

A new replica will need to be installed as per [DMS Master Server Install](#)

### Stuck Zone not Propagating

```
zone_tool > show_zonesm wham-blam.org
      name:          wham-blam.org.
      alt_sg_name:   None
      auto_dnssec:  False
      ctime:        Thu Aug 23 10:51:14 2012
      deleted_start: None
      edit_lock:    True
      edit_lock_token: None
      inc_updates:  False
      lock_state:   EDIT_UNLOCK
      locked_at:    None
      locked_by:    None
      mtime:        Thu Aug 23 10:51:14 2012
      nsec3:        True
      reference:   nutty-nutty@ANATHOTH-NET
      sg_name:      anathoth-internal
      soa_serial:  2012091400
      state:       UNCONFIG
      use_apex_ns: True
      zi_candidate_id: 102880
      zi_id:        102880
      zone_id:     101448
      zone_type:   DynDNSZoneSM

      zi_id:        102880
      change_by:   grantma@shalom-ext.internal.anathoth.net/Admin
      ctime:        Fri Sep 14 10:55:59 2012
      mtime:        Fri Sep 14 11:12:10 2012
      ptime:        Fri Sep 14 11:12:10 2012
      soa_expire:  7d
      soa_minimum: 600
      soa_mname:   ns1.internal.anathoth.net.
      soa_refresh: 24h
      soa_retry:   900
      soa_rname:   matthewgrant5@gmail.com.
      soa_serial:  2012091400
      soa_ttl:     None
      zone_id:     101448
      zone_ttl:   24h
```

Maybe as above. Can be caused by:

- Failed events (manually failed or otherwise, Events queue deleted in DB, permissions problems as follows)

- Permissions problems on the master server on the /var/lib/bind/dynamic directory - should be

```
ls -ld /var/lib/bind/dynamic/
drwxrwsr-x 2 bind net 24dmd 487424 Nov 9 08:47 /var/lib/bind/dynamic/
```

```
zone_tool > show_zonesm wham-blam.org
  name:          wham-blam.org.
  alt_sg_name:   None
  auto_dnssec:  False
  ctime:        Thu Aug 23 10:51:14 2012
  deleted_start: None
  edit_lock:    True
  edit_lock_token: None
  inc_updates:  False
  lock_state:   EDIT_UNLOCK
  locked_at:    None
  locked_by:    None
  mtime:        Thu Aug 23 10:51:14 2012
  nsec3:        True
  reference:   nutty-nutty@ANATHOTH-NET
  sg_name:      anathoth-internal
  soa_serial:  2012091400
  state:       RESET
  use_apex_ns: True
  zi_candidate_id: 102880
  zi_id:        102880
  zone_id:     101448
  zone_type:   DynDNSZoneSM

  zi_id:        102880
  change_by:   grantma@shalom-ext.internal.anathoth.net/Admin
  ctime:        Fri Sep 14 10:55:59 2012
  mtime:        Fri Sep 14 11:12:10 2012
  ptime:        Fri Sep 14 11:12:10 2012
  soa_expire:  7d
  soa_minimum: 600
  soa_mname:   ns1.internal.anathoth.net.
  soa_refresh: 24h
  soa_retry:   900
  soa_rname:   matthewgrant5@gmail.com.
  soa_serial:  2012091400
  soa_ttl:     None
  zone_id:     101448
  zone_ttl:   24h
```

and then use show\_zonesm to check that zone state goes to PUBLISHED within 15 minutes. ls\_pending\_events

may also be useful, as it will show the events to do with the zone being published.

```
show_zonesm wham-blam.org
  name:          wham-blam.org.
  alt_sg_name:   None
  auto_dnssec:  False
  ctime:        Thu Aug 23 10:51:14 2012
  deleted_start: None
  edit_lock:    True
  edit_lock_token: None
  inc_updates:  False
  lock_state:   EDIT_UNLOCK
  locked_at:    None
  locked_by:    None
  mtime:        Thu Aug 23 10:51:14 2012
  nsec3:        True
  reference:   nutty-nutty@ANATHOTH-NET
  sg_name:      anathoth-internal
  soa_serial:  2012091400
  state:       RESET
  use_apex_ns: True
  zi_candidate_id: 102880
  zi_id:        102880
  zone_id:     101448
  zone_type:   DynDNSZoneSM

  zi_id:        102880
  change_by:   grantma@shalom-ext.internal.anathoth.net/Admin
  ctime:        Fri Sep 14 10:55:59 2012
  mtime:        Fri Sep 14 11:12:10 2012
  ptime:        Fri Sep 14 11:12:10 2012
  soa_expire:  7d
  soa_minimum: 600
  soa_mname:   ns1.internal.anathoth.net.
  soa_refresh: 24h
  soa_retry:   900
  soa_rname:   matthewgrant5@gmail.com.
  soa_serial:  2012091400
  soa_ttl:     None
  zone_id:     101448
  zone_ttl:   24h

zone_tool > ls_pending_events
ServerSMCheckServer      shalom           Fri Nov  9 08:50:35
2012
ServerSMCheckServer      shalom-ext        Fri Nov  9 08:50:40
2012
ServerSMCheckServer      shalom-dr         Fri Nov  9 08:50:46
2012
ServerSMCheckServer      dns-slave1        Fri Nov  9 08:50:53
2012
ServerSMConfigure        en-gedi-auth      Fri Nov  9 08:55:31
2012
```

ZoneSMConfig	wham-blam.org.	Fri Nov 9 08:47:07
2012		
MasterSMHoldTimeout		Fri Nov 9 08:56:52
2012		
ServerSMCheckServer	dns-slave0	Fri Nov 9 08:54:29
2012		
zone_tool > show_zonesm wham-blam.org		
name:	wham-blam.org.	
alt_sg_name:	None	
auto_dnssec:	False	
ctime:	Thu Aug 23 10:51:14 2012	
deleted_start:	None	
edit_lock:	True	
edit_lock_token:	None	
inc_updates:	False	
lock_state:	EDIT_UNLOCK	
locked_at:	None	
locked_by:	None	
mtime:	Thu Aug 23 10:51:14 2012	
nsec3:	True	
reference:	nutty-nutty@ANATHOTH-NET	
sg_name:	anathoth-internal	
soa_serial:	2012091400	
state:	UNCONFIG	
use_apex_ns:	True	
zi_candidate_id:	102880	
zi_id:	102880	
zone_id:	101448	
zone_type:	DynDNSZoneSM	
zi_id:	102880	
change_by:	grantma@shalom-ext.internal.anathoth.net/Admin	
ctime:	Fri Sep 14 10:55:59 2012	
mtime:	Fri Sep 14 11:12:10 2012	
ptime:	Fri Sep 14 11:12:10 2012	
soa_expire:	7d	
soa_minimum:	600	
soa_mname:	ns1.internal.anathoth.net.	
soa_refresh:	24h	
soa_retry:	900	
soa_rname:	matthewgrant5@gmail.com.	
soa_serial:	2012091400	
soa_ttl:	None	
zone_id:	101448	
zone_ttl:	24h	
zone_tool > ls_pending_events		
ServerSMCheckServer	shalom	Fri Nov 9 08:50:35
2012		
ServerSMCheckServer	shalom-ext	Fri Nov 9 08:50:40
2012		
ServerSMCheckServer	shalom-dr	Fri Nov 9 08:50:46
2012		
ServerSMCheckServer	dns-slave1	Fri Nov 9 08:50:53

```

2012
ServerSMConfigure      en-gedi-auth          Fri Nov  9 08:55:31
2012
MasterSMHoldTimeout
2012
ServerSMCheckServer    dns-slave0           Fri Nov  9 08:54:29
2012
ZoneSMReconfigUpdate   wham-blam.org.       Fri Nov  9 08:57:10
2012
zone_tool > ls_pending_events
ServerSMCheckServer    shalom-ext            Fri Nov  9 09:00:25
2012
ServerSMCheckServer    shalom-dr             Fri Nov  9 09:00:44
2012
ServerSMCheckServer    dns-slave0           Fri Nov  9 09:01:25
2012
ServerSMCheckServer    dns-slave1           Fri Nov  9 09:02:11
2012
ServerSMConfigure       en-gedi-auth          Fri Nov  9 09:06:15
2012
MasterSMHoldTimeout
2012
ServerSMCheckServer    shalom               Fri Nov  9 09:05:11
2012
zone_tool > show_zonesm wham-blam.org
      name:                  wham-blam.org.
      alt_sg_name:           None
      auto_dnssec:           False
      ctime:                 Thu Aug 23 10:51:14 2012
      deleted_start:         None
      edit_lock:              True
      edit_lock_token:        None
      inc_updates:            False
      lock_state:             EDIT_UNLOCK
      locked_at:              None
      locked_by:              None
      mtime:                 Thu Aug 23 10:51:14 2012
      nsec3:                  True
      reference:              nutty-nutty@ANATHOTH-NET
      sg_name:                anathoth-internal
      soa_serial:             2012091400
      state:                  PUBLISHED
      use_apex_ns:            True
      zi_candidate_id:        102880
      zi_id:                  102880
      zone_id:                101448
      zone_type:               DynDNSZoneSM

      zi_id:                  102880
      change_by:              grantma@shalom-ext.internal.anathoth.net/Admin
      ctime:                  Fri Sep 14 10:55:59 2012
      mtime:                  Fri Nov  9 08:57:13 2012
      ptime:                  Fri Nov  9 08:57:13 2012

```

```
soa_expire:      7d
soa_minimum:    600
soa_mname:      ns1.internal.anathoth.net.
soa_refresh:    24h
soa_retry:      900
soa_rname:      matthewgrant5@gmail.com.
soa_serial:     2012091400
soa_ttl:        None
zone_id:        101448
```

```
zone_ttl:      24h
zone_tool >
```

## MasterSM Stuck, New Zones not Being Created

Can be caused by:

- Failed MasterSMHoldTimeout events (manually failed or otherwise, Events queue deleted in DB etc)
- Permissions problems on the master server on the /etc/bind/master-config directory - Should be '2755 net24dmd:bind'

```
shalom-ext: -grantma- [~]
$ ls -ld /etc/bind/master-config
drwxr-sr-x 2 net24dmd bind 4096 Nov  9 08:56 /etc/bind/master-config
```

This shows up in zone\_tool show\_dms\_status:

```
zone_tool > show_dms_status

show_master_status:

MASTER_SERVER:      dms-akl

NAMED master configuration state:

hold_sg:            HOLD_SG_NONE
hold_sg_name:       None
hold_start:         Wed Nov  7 16:52:36 2012
hold_stop:          Wed Nov  7 17:02:36 2012
replica_sg_name:   vygr-replica
state:              HOLD

show_replica_sg:
    sg_name:           vygr-replica
    config_dir:        /etc/net24/server-config-templates
    master_address:   2406:1e00:1001:1::2
    master_alt_address: 2406:3e00:1001:1::2
    replica_sg:       True
    zone_count:       37

    Replica SG named status:
    dms-chc           2406:3e00:1001:1::2

    OK

ls_server:
dms-akl                      Wed Nov  7 16:52:46 2012          OK
2406:1e00:1001:1::2           None
ping: 5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0.00% packet loss
```

```
dms-chc                               Wed Nov  7 16:52:46 2012          OK
  2406:3e00:1001:1::2                  210.5.48.242
  ping: 5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0.00% packet loss
dms-s1-akl                             Wed Nov  7 16:31:04 2012          RETRY
  2406:1e00:1001:2::2                  103.4.136.226
  ping: 5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0.00% packet loss
  retry_msg:
    Server 'dms-s1-akl': SOA query - timeout waiting for
    response, retrying
dms-s1-chc                             Wed Nov  7 16:52:46 2012          OK
  2406:3e00:1001:2::2                  210.5.48.226
  ping: 5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0.00% packet loss

list_pending_events:
ServerSMConfigure           dms-s1-akl          Wed Nov  7 16:57:22
2012
ServerSMCheckServer         dms-chc            Wed Nov  7 16:53:55
2012
ServerSMCheckServer         dms-akl             Wed Nov  7 16:55:46
2012
ServerSMCheckServer         dms-s1-chc          Wed Nov  7 16:57:06
2012

zone_tool > exit

dms-akl: -root- [~]
```

```
# date  
Wed Nov 7 16:54:42 NZDT 2012
```

Key things to look for:

- master status section shows hold\_start and hold\_stop being in the past
- there is no MasterSMHoldTimeout event

**i** The MasterSM state machine forward posts the MasterSMHoldTimeout event when entering the HOLD state. If it does not get created or disappears or fails due to unforeseen events with outages etc, the MasterSM will end up stuck as above.

The fix is to do 'zone\_tool reset\_master'. This will reset the MasterSM state machine.

## Stuck ServerSM

Just like the Master state machine getting stuck because of a missing MasterSMHoldTimeout event, Server SMs can end up being stuck in the CONFIG, RETRY or BROKEN states due to missing events. There will be missing 'ServerSMConfigure' events for the server in the ls\_pending\_events output.

```

zone_tool > show_dms_status
show_master_status:
    MASTER_SERVER:      shalom-ext
    NAMED master configuration state:
    hold_sg:           HOLD_SG_NONE
    hold_sg_name:      None
    hold_start:        None
    hold_stop:         None
    replica_sg_name:   anathoth-replica
    state:             READY
show_replica_sg:
    sg_name:           anathoth-replica
    config_dir:        /etc/bind/anathoth-master
    master_address:   2001:470:f012:2::2
    master_alt_address: 2001:470:f012:2::3
    replica_sg:       True
    zone_count:       14
    Replica SG named status:
        shalom-dr          2001:470:f012:2::3
                           OK
ls_server:
dns-slave0                  Fri Nov  9 09:56:48 2012          OK
    2001:470:c:110e::2          111.65.238.10
    ping: 5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0.00% packet loss
dns-slave1                  Fri Nov  9 09:56:38 2012          OK
    2001:470:66:23::2          111.65.238.11
    ping: 5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0.00% packet loss
en-gedi-auth                 Thu Nov  8 18:01:07 2012          RETRY
    fd14:828:ba69:6:5054:ff:fe39:54f9  172.31.12.2
    ping: 5 packets transmitted, 0 received, 100.00% packet loss
retry_msg:
    Server 'en-gedi-auth': failed to rsync include files,
    Command '['['rsync', '--quiet', '-av', '--password-file',
    '/etc/net24/rsync-dnsconf-password', '/var/lib/net24/dms-sg
    /anathoth-internal/'],
    'dnsconf@[fd14:828:ba69:6:5054:ff:fe39:54f9]::dnsconf/]'
    returned non-zero exit status 10, rsync: failed to connect
    to fd14:828:ba69:6:5054:ff:fe39:54f9
    (fd14:828:ba69:6:5054:ff:fe39:54f9): Connection timed out
    (110), rsync error: error in socket IO (code 10) at
    clientserver.c(122) [sender=3.0.9]
shalom                      Fri Nov  9 09:56:19 2012          OK
    fd14:828:ba69:1:21c:f0ff:fefaf3c0  192.168.110.1
    ping: 5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0.00% packet loss
shalom-dr                   Fri Nov  9 09:56:56 2012          OK
    2001:470:f012:2::3          172.31.10.4
    ping: 5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0.00% packet loss
shalom-ext                  Fri Nov  9 09:58:21 2012          OK
    2001:470:f012:2::2          172.31.10.2
    ping: 5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0.00% packet loss
list_pending_events:
ServerSMCheckServer          shalom                  Fri Nov  9 10:01:43 2012
ServerSMCheckServer          dns-slave1               Fri Nov  9 10:01:55 2012
ServerSMCheckServer          dns-slave0               Fri Nov  9 10:03:17 2012
ServerSMCheckServer          shalom-dr                Fri Nov  9 10:05:25 2012
ServerSMCheckServer          shalom-ext               Fri Nov  9 10:04:49 2012
zone_tool >

```

- i** Above, the ls\_server section of show\_dms\_status displays the reason for going to RETRY or BROKEN in the displayed retry\_msg field.

The fix, reset\_server the server, and use ls\_pending events to check ServerSMConfigure is created

```
zone_tool > reset_server en-gedi-auth
zone_tool > ls_pending_events
ServerSMCheckServer      shalom          Fri Nov  9 12:11:17 2012
ServerSMCheckServer      shalom-ext       Fri Nov  9 12:11:47 2012
ServerSMCheckServer      en-gedi-auth     Fri Nov  9 12:14:57 2012
ServerSMCheckServer      dns-slave0       Fri Nov  9 12:18:02 2012
ServerSMCheckServer      shalom-dr        Fri Nov  9 12:15:09 2012
ServerSMCheckServer      dns-slave1       Fri Nov  9 12:19:08 2012
ServerSMConfigure        en-gedi-auth     Fri Nov  9 12:10:39 2012
zone_tool >
```

Wait until the scheduled time posted for ServerSMConfigure, and then do a zone\_tool show\_dms\_status to make sure everything is going.

```

zone_tool > show_dms_status
show_master_status:
    MASTER_SERVER:      shalom-ext
    NAMED master configuration state:
    hold_sg:           HOLD_SG_NONE
    hold_sg_name:      None
    hold_start:        None
    hold_stop:         None
    replica_sg_name:   anathoth-replica
    state:             READY
show_replica_sg:
    sg_name:           anathoth-replica
    config_dir:        /etc/bind/anathoth-master
    master_address:   2001:470:f012:2::2
    master_alt_address: 2001:470:f012:2::3
    replica_sg:       True
    zone_count:       14
    Replica SG named status:
        shalom-dr          2001:470:f012:2::3
                           OK
ls_server:
dns-slave0                  Fri Nov  9 12:08:29 2012      OK
    2001:470:c:110e::2          111.65.238.10
    ping: 5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0.00% packet loss
dns-slave1                  Fri Nov  9 12:10:19 2012      OK
    2001:470:66:23::2          111.65.238.11
    ping: 5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0.00% packet loss
en-gedi-auth                 Fri Nov  9 12:10:43 2012      OK
    fd14:828:ba69:6:5054:ff:fe39:54f9  172.31.12.2
    ping: 5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0.00% packet loss
shalom                      Fri Nov  9 12:11:19 2012      OK
    fd14:828:ba69:1:21c:f0ff:fefa:f3c0  192.168.110.1
    ping: 5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0.00% packet loss
shalom-dr                   Fri Nov  9 12:09:44 2012      OK
    2001:470:f012:2::3          172.31.10.4
    ping: 5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0.00% packet loss
shalom-ext                  Fri Nov  9 12:11:47 2012      OK
    2001:470:f012:2::2          172.31.10.2
    ping: 5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0.00% packet loss
list_pending_events:
ServerSMCheckServer          en-gedi-auth            Fri Nov  9 12:14:57 2012
ServerSMCheckServer          dns-slave0              Fri Nov  9 12:18:02 2012
ServerSMCheckServer          shalom-dr               Fri Nov  9 12:15:09 2012
ServerSMCheckServer          dns-slave1              Fri Nov  9 12:19:08 2012
ServerSMCheckServer          shalom                 Fri Nov  9 12:17:44 2012
ServerSMCheckServer          shalom-ext              Fri Nov  9 12:17:31 2012
zone_tool >

```

## Rebuilding named data from database

The named dynamic data in /var/lib/bind/dynamic is corrupt, or missing

1. Stop named and net24dmd

```
root@dms3-master:~# service bind9 stop
[....] Stopping domain name service...: bind9waiting for pid 15462 to die
. ok
root@dms3-master:~# service net24dmd stop
[ ok ] Stopping net24dmd: net24dmd.
```

2. Check /etc/bind/master\_config and /var/lib/bind/dynamic permissions.  
/etc/bind/master-config, should be 2755 net24dmd:bind :

```
root@dms3-master:~# ls -ld /etc/bind/master-config/
drwxr-sr-x 2 net24dmd bind 4096 Nov  9 12:39 /etc/bind/master-config/
root@dms3-master:~#
```

/var/lib/bind/dynamic, should be 2775 bind:net24dmd :

```
root@dms3-master:~# ls -ld /var/lib/bind/dynamic
drwxrwsr-x 2 bind net24dmd 1683456 Nov  9 12:39 /var/lib/bind/dynamic
root@dms3-master:~#
```

3. Clear any files from /var/lib/bind/dynamic if needed:

```
root@dms3-master:~# rm -rf /var/lib/bind/dynamic/*
root@dms3-master:~#
```

4. Run the restore process which recreates /etc/bind/master-config/ contents, and recreates contents of /var/lib/bind/dynamic. This may take some time. 40000 zones takes 20 - 30 minutes.

```
root@dms3-master:~# zone_tool restore_named_db
***   WARNING - doing this destroys DNSSEC RRSIG data. It is a last
             resort in DR recovery.
***   Do really you wish to do this?
--y/[N]> y
```

5. Start named and net24dmd

```
root@dms3-master:~# service net24dmd start
[ ok ] Starting net24dmd: net24dmd.
root@dms3-master:~# service bind9 start
[ ok ] Starting domain name service...: bind9.
root@dms3-master:~#
```

## **Failed Master, Replica /etc not up to date**

The master and DR replica have the etckeeper git archive mirrored every 4 hours to the alternate server. See [etckeeper and /etc on Replica and Master Servers](#)

### **Recovering DB from Backup**

/etc/cron.d/dms-core does daily FULL pg\_dumpall to /var/backups/postgresql-9.1-dms.sql.gz, on replica and master, which are rotated for 7 days.

To recover:

```
# cd /var/backups
# gunzip -c postgresql-9.1-dms.sql.gz | psql -U postgres
```

There will be lots of SQL output. The dumpall also contains DB user passwords, and ACL/permissions information, along with DB details for the whole postgresql 'dms' cluster.

### **Regenerating ds/ DS material directory from Private Keys**

Use the dns-recreateds command to recreate a domains DNSSEC DS material. The /var/lib/bind/keys directory is rsynced to the DR replica by the master server net24dmd daemon. Use a '\*' argument to regenerate all DS material.

```
shalom-ext: -root- [/var/lib/bind/keys]
# dns-recreateds anathoth.net
+ dnssec-dsfromkey -2 /var/lib/bind/keys/Kanathoth.net.+007+57318.key
+ set +x
shalom-ext: -root- [/var/lib/bind/keys]
#
```

## **IPSEC not going**

These examples are between DNS slave server dns-slave1 and master shalom-ext.

### ***Diagnosis***

Ping6 server from master and vice-versa to check unencrypted network level. (Transport mode encryption does not encrypt ICMPv6). Use the zone\_tool ls\_server -v command to get the DMS configured IPv6 addresses of both servers.

```
shalom-ext: -grantma- [~/dms]
$ zone_tool ls_server -v dns-slave1
dns-slave1 Mon Nov 12 13:57:20 2012 OK
2001:470:66:23::2 111.65.238.11

shalom-ext: -grantma- [~/dms]
$ zone_tool ls_server -v shalom-ext
shalom-ext                               Mon Nov 12 13:59:29 2012          OK
2001:470:f012:2::2                      172.31.10.2

shalom-ext: -grantma- [~/dms]
$ ping6 2001:470:66:23::2
PING 2001:470:66:23::2(2001:470:66:23::2) 56 data bytes
64 bytes from 2001:470:66:23::2: icmp_seq=1 ttl=58 time=312 ms
64 bytes from 2001:470:66:23::2: icmp_seq=2 ttl=58 time=310 ms
64 bytes from 2001:470:66:23::2: icmp_seq=3 ttl=58 time=310 ms
^C
--- 2001:470:66:23::2 ping statistics ---
3 packets transmitted, 3 received, 0% packet loss, time 2003ms
rtt min/avg/max/mdev = 310.646/311.293/312.518/0.866 ms
shalom-ext: -grantma- [~/dms]
$
```

Telnet domain TCP ports both ways, and rsync out to slave server from master. This checks that IPSEC encryption is running.

From shalom-ext:

```
shalom-ext: -grantma- [~/dms]
$ telnet 2001:470:66:23::2 53
Trying 2001:470:66:23::2...
Connected to 2001:470:66:23::2.
Escape character is '^]'.
^]c
telnet> c
Connection closed.
shalom-ext: -grantma- [~/dms]
$ telnet 2001:470:66:23::2 rsync
Trying 2001:470:66:23::2...
Connected to 2001:470:66:23::2.
Escape character is '^]'.
@RSYNCD: 30.0
^]c
telnet> c
Connection closed.
shalom-ext: -grantma- [~/dms]
$
```

From dns-slave1:

```
grantma@dns-slave1:~$ telnet 2001:470:f012:2::2 53
Trying 2001:470:f012:2::2...
Connected to 2001:470:f012:2::2.
Escape character is '^]'.
^]c
telnet> c
Connection closed.
grantma@dns-slave1:~$
```

If the DNS server is a DR replica, telnet the rsync port the other way also.

### ***Recovery***

If things are not working restart the IPSEC connection at both ends:

shalom-ext master:

```
shalom-ext: -root- [/home/grantma/dms]
# racoon-tool vlist
shalom-dr
dns-slave1
%anonymous
shalom-ext
shalom
dns-slave0
en-gedi-auth
shalom-ext: -root- [/home/grantma/dms]
# racoon-tool vreload dns-slave1
Reloading VPN dns-slave1...The result of line 2: No entry.
The result of line 5: No entry.
done.
shalom-ext: -root- [/home/grantma/dms]
#
```

dns-slave1:

```
root@dns-slave1:/home/grantma# racoon-tool vlist
shalom-dr
%anonymous
shalom-ext
root@dns-slave1:/home/grantma# racoon-tool vreload shalom-ext
Reloading VPN shalom-ext...The result of line 2: No entry.
The result of line 5: No entry.
done.
root@dns-slave1:/home/grantma#
```

 Wait 10 minutes for IPSEC replay timing to expire. Then retry the telnet steps above.

If IPSEC still will not work:

Use racoon-tool restart on both ends:

shalom-ext:

```
shalom-ext: -root- [/home/grantma/dms]
# racoon-tool restart
Stopping IKE (ISAKMP/Oakley) server: racoon.
Flushing SAD and SPD...
SAD and SPD flushed.
Unloading IPSEC/crypto modules...
IPSEC/crypto modules unloaded.
Loading IPSEC/crypto modules...
IPSEC/crypto modules loaded.
Flushing SAD and SPD...
SAD and SPD flushed.
Loading SAD and SPD...
SAD and SPD loaded.
Configuring racoon...done.
Starting IKE (ISAKMP/Oakley) server: racoon.
shalom-ext: -root- [/home/grantma/dms]
#
```

dns-slave1:

```
root@dns-slave1:/home/grantma# racoon-tool restart
Stopping IKE (ISAKMP/Oakley) server: racoon.
Flushing SAD and SPD...
SAD and SPD flushed.
Unloading IPSEC/crypto modules...
IPSEC/crypto modules unloaded.
Loading IPSEC/crypto modules...
IPSEC/crypto modules loaded.
Flushing SAD and SPD...
SAD and SPD flushed.
Loading SAD and SPD...
SAD and SPD loaded.
Configuring racoon...done.
Starting IKE (ISAKMP/Oakley) server: racoon.
root@dns-slave1:/home/grantma#
```

 Wait 10 minutes for IPSEC replay timing to expire. Then retry the telnet steps above.

## DMS Master Server Install

Base Operating System

Debian Wheezy

Create /etc/apt/apt.conf.d/00local.conf:

```
// No point in installing a lot of fat on VM servers  
APT::Install-Recommends "0";  
APT::Install-Suggests "0";
```

Create /etc/apt/sources.list.d/00local.conf

```
deb http://deb-repo.devel.net.nz/debian/ wheezy main  
deb-src http://deb-repo.devel.net.nz/debian/ wheezy main
```

## Install these packages:

cron-apt screen tree procps psmisc sysstat sudo lsof open-vm-tools open-vm-dkms

dms

To properly install netscript-2.4 because of cyclic boot dependencies (I will look into this when have some spare time, and log an RC Debian bug):

```
# dpkg --force --purge ifupdown  
# apt-get -f install
```

Edit /etc/netscript/network.conf to configure static addressing. Look for IF\_AUTO, set eth0\_IPADDR, and further down comment out eth\_start and eth\_stop functions to turn off DHCP. Netscript manages iptables and ip6tables via iptables-save/iptables-restore, and keeps a cyclic history which you can change back to if your filter changes go wrong vi netscript ipfilter/ip6filter save/usebackup.

Then:

```
# aptitude update  
# aptitude upgrade
```

To fix shell prompt for larger terminals on master server makes typing in long zone\_tool commands at shell a lot clearer:

```
# tar -C / -xzf shell.tar.gz
```

shell.tar.gz

Replaces /etc/skel shell and /root dot files with single line feed to force use of file in /etc

Then edit /etc/environment.sh to turn off various things like umask 00002 for user id < 1000

Then follow [Net24 DMS Debian Install Documentation](#)

## Archive and Work in Progress

 This section contains documents which are no longer current and are not to be used, but are made available for reference purposes only. For example build guides which have been superseded by automated deployment and management systems.

## Frequent Procedures (Howtos for help desk and basic administration)

Various frequent procedures are listed here. They are typical of the day to day management of zones with DMS.

### Creating and copying Zones

Zones are created using the `create_zone` command:

```

zone_tool > create_zone test1.com
zone_tool > show_zone test1.com
$TTL 1h
$ORIGIN test1.com.

;

; Zone:      test1.com.
; Reference: anathoth
; change_by: grantma@shalom-ext.internal.anathoth.net/Admin
; zi_id:    103187
; zi_ctime:  Wed Oct 17 13:19:15 2012
; zi_mtime:  Wed Oct 17 13:19:15 2012
;

; | Apex resource records for test1.com.
;!REF:anathoth
@           IN      SOA      ( ns1.anathoth.net. ;Master
NS                               matthewgrant5@gmail.com.

;RP email
                           2012101700 ;Serial
yyyymmddnn
                           86400      ;Refresh
                           900       ;Retry
                           604800    ;Expire
                           3600

;Minimum/Ncache
                           )
                           IN      NS      ns3.anathoth.net.
                           IN      NS      ns2.anathoth.net.
                           IN      NS      ns1.anathoth.net.

zone_tool > create_zone test1.com
***   Zone 'test1.com.' already exists.
zone_tool >

```

When a zone is just created, only the Apex records are filled in thus achieving the result of just technically parking the domain if it is then registered in ENOM or the NZRS.

They can also be created from any given ZI by using the copy\_zone command:

```

zone_tool > help copy_zone
Copy a zone:

copy_zone [-g <ssg-name>] [-i] [ -r reference] [-z zi_id]
           <src-domain-name> <domain-name> [zone-option] ...
where   -g <ssg-name>: specify an SSG name other than default_ssg
        -i:          set inc_updates flag on the new zone
        -r reference: set reference
        -z zi_id:     set zi_id used for copy source
        zone-option: use_apex_ns|auto_dnssec|edit_lock|nsec3
                      |inc_updates
                      up to 5 times

zone_tool > copy_zone test1.com bad-thing.org
zone_tool > show_zone bad-thing.org
$TTL 24h
$ORIGIN bad-thing.org.

;

; Zone:      bad-thing.org.
; Reference: anathoth
; change_by: grantma@shalom-ext.internal.anathoth.net/Admin
; zi_id:     102602
; zi_ctime:  Thu Aug 23 14:54:07 2012
; zi_mtime:  Thu Aug 23 14:54:07 2012
;

; | Apex resource records for bad-thing.org.
;!REF:anathoth
@           IN      SOA      ( ns1.anathoth.net. ;Master
NS                               matthewgrant5@gmail.com.
;RP email
                           2012082300 ;Serial
yyyymmddnn
                           600      ;Refresh
                           600      ;Retry
                           604800 ;Expire
                           600
;Minimum/Ncache
                           )
IN      NS      ns3.anathoth.net.
IN      NS      ns2.anathoth.net.
IN      NS      ns1.anathoth.net.

```

ZIs can also be copied from one zone to another by using the copy\_zi command. This command will not result in

the copied ZI being published unless the zone is refreshed to use it.

## Deleting and Undeleting Zones

### Deleting a Zone

The command for deleting a zone is delete\_zone.

```
zone_tool > ls bad-thing.org
bad-thing.org.
zone_tool > delete_zone bad-thing.org.
***   Zone 'bad-thing.net.' not present.
zone_tool > delete_zone bad-thing.org.
zone_tool > ls bad-thing.org.
***   Zones: bad-thing.org. - not present.
```

### Undeleting a Zone

The ls\_deleted command can be used in conjunction with the undelete\_zone command. The undelete\_zone command only takes a zone\_id argument, as there are likely to be multiple deleted zones with the same name. The show\_zone\_byid command can be used to display the deleted zone.

```

zone_tool > ls_deleted bad-thing.*  

bad-thing.org. 101449      anathoth  

zone_tool > show_zone_byid 101449  

$TTL 24h  

$ORIGIN bad-thing.org.  
  

;  

; Zone:      bad-thing.org.  

; Reference: anathoth  

; change_by: grantma@shalom-ext.internal.anathoth.net/Admin  

; zi_id:    102602  

; zi_ctime: Thu Aug 23 14:54:07 2012  

; zi_mtime: Wed Aug 29 17:10:15 2012  

; zi_ptime: Wed Aug 29 17:10:15 2012  

;  
  

; | Apex resource records for bad-thing.org.  

; !REF:anathoth  

@           IN      SOA      ( ns1.anathoth.net. ;Master  

NS          matthewgrant5.gmail.com.  

;RP email          2012082300 ;Serial  

yyyymmddnn          600      ;Refresh  

                      600      ;Retry  

                      604800 ;Expire  

                      600  

;Minimum/Ncache  

                      )  

          IN      NS      ns3.anathoth.net.  

          IN      NS      ns2.anathoth.net.  

          IN      NS      ns1.anathoth.net.  
  

zone_tool > undelete_zone 101449  

zone_tool > ls bad-thing.*  

bad-thing.org.  

zone_tool >

```

- i Deleted zones will have their ZIs pared down to what was the published ZI after 90 days by the vacuum\_all command, which is croned to run daily.

## Editing a Zone

Use the edit\_zone <domain-name> [zone-instance] command. If you are using the default vim-nox editor, it will drop you into a syntax highlighted editing session.

In /usr/share/vim/vimcurrent/debian.vim vim has been set up for:

```
set nocompatible " Use Vim defaults instead of  
100% vi compatibility  
set backspace=indent,eol,start " more powerful  
backspacing
```

which means Insert mode behaves like a normal editor. Arrow keys do not finish insert mode session. Backspace and delete delete across line ends with a logical sense as to directionality when in insert mode etc. (Whew! standard vi - !@#\$%@\$%&\$%^\*#@#\$%^ - can't find **spanner** to resolve **insertion** into **works** trajectory)

At a minimum you still have to know about :w to save, and :q to quit and save. 'ESC' is also useful to cancel something if you think you have pressed something wrong, and to exit insert mode back to visual command mode. Pressing 'u' in visual mode will undo the last change, with multiple undo for recent change history.

Vim keys	Action
ESC	cancel current thing, exit Insert mode. Dive for this key if you want to back out of what ever you are not sure you have just started (in visual mode). Press multiple times just to reassure yourself operation is cancelled, even though once is all you need to do 95% of the time. This should 'unstick' any vi. <b>REMEMBER THIS!</b> (vi safety rule number 1!)
i	Go to insert mode from visual
:w	In visual mode, save file
:e!	revert all changes until last save
:q	quit
:q!	forced quit if you have changed something
:wq	save file and quit vi
/<regexp>	search forwards
?<regexp>	search backwards
n	search again in search direction
N	search again in reverse search direction
dd	delete current line
gg	go to start of file
G	go to end of file

d\$	delete from cursor to end of line
V	select current line and then use arrows to select block
v	select from cursor posN and then use arrows to select block
d	delete, then press locational key of where to delete to (^,\$,G,gg)
^	beginning of line
\$	end of line
:s/<regexp>/<replacement>/gc	search and replace with confirmation. Use with v or V selection to apply to block. g suffix means replace multiple times on one line, rather than first occurrence, c means confirm
:%	Apply following command across whole file. ':%s/<regexp>/<replacement>/' very useful
p	paste last deletion
y	copy 'yy' copy current line, y\$ y^ as you would expect.
2yy	copy current line and one following
2dd	well, work this one out...
2p	paste twice (paste one line 2 times etc)

2012081900 ;Serial

yyyymmddnn

600 ;Refresh  
600 ;Retry  
604800 ;Expire  
600

;Minimum/Ncache

)  
IN NS ns2.internal.anathoth.net.  
IN NS ns1.internal.anathoth.net.

;!LOCKPTR  
1 IN PTR  
shalom.internal.anathoth.net.  
;!REF:anathoth  
149 IN PTR  
something-here.failover.internal.anathoth.net.  
;!REF:anathoth  
16 IN PTR  
openwrt.internal.anathoth.net.  
;!LOCKPTR REF:anathoth  
2 IN PTR  
shalom-auth.internal.anathoth.net.  
;!LOCKPTR REF:anathoth  
20 IN PTR  
phone-800.internal.anathoth.net.  
230 IN PTR ballywack.anathoth.net.  
;!LOCKPTR REF:anathoth  
254 IN PTR  
shalom-fw.internal.anathoth.net.  
;!REF:anathoth  
3 IN PTR  
sid-dev.internal.anathoth.net.  
;!REF:anathoth  
4 IN PTR joy.internal.anathoth.net.  
;!REF:anathoth  
5 IN PTR  
sid-test.internal.anathoth.net.  
;!REF:anathoth  
69 IN PTR  
phone-802.internal.anathoth.net.  
;!REF:anathoth  
96 IN PTR  
openwrt.internal.anathoth.net.

\*\*\* Do you wish to Abort, Change, Diff, or Update the zone  
'110.168.192.in-addr.arpa.'?  
--[U]/a/c/d> d  
@@ -47,7 +47,7 @@  
5 IN PTR  
sid-test.internal.anathoth.net.  
;!REF:anathoth

```
69           IN      PTR
phone-802.internal.anathoth.net.
-;!LOCKPTR REF:anathoth
+;!REF:anathoth
96           IN      PTR
openwrt.internal.anathoth.net.

--[U]/a/c/d>
```

```
zone_tool >
```

## DMS Zone File Format

The DMS zone file format builds on the format described in RFCs 1034 and 1035 by the use of 2 character comment tags. In the example above note the Apex RR group started by the ;| RR group comment, with the block finished by a blank line. Individual RR record comments start with ;# on the line just before the record. Both types of comment can be multi line. A new RR Group can be started by giving a comment starting with ';' , with the RR Group comment naming the RR Group. RR Groups tend to be sorted alphabetically, except that the Apex group containing the SOA and NS records is at the top of the zone file, with the unlabelled default RR Group last of all. RR flag comments also exist, mostly to control auto reverse PTR functionality, and to disable any individual RR.

DMS comment	Description
;	RR Group comment
;<#	Individual RR comment
;!	RR flag comment
;!LOCKPTR	Lock the PTR record preventing any auto update.
;!REF:0000@1STDOMAINS-NZ	PTR RR reference. Any changes coming from a zone 'owned' by the given reference are allowed to change the record. The ;!REF on the SOA declares the ownership of the zone.
;!FORCEREV	One shot force reverse update of PTR from A or AAAA record unless it is locked.
;!TRACKREV	Track reverse update of PTR from A or AAAA unless it is locked.
;!DISABLE	Disable the RR and remove it from published zone.
;!RROP: ADD, DELETE, UPDATE_RRTYPE	zone_tool update_rrs incremental update operation. See zone_tool help update_rrs for all the details. 'Wildcard' arguments can be given to DELETE operation.

Note that multiple ';' RR flags are all given on one line before the RR.

### Auto-reverse PTR record management

The DMS system can do this, and it checks every A and AAAA record on ZI submission to do auto reverse if it is configured for the reverse zones the DMS system holds. The reference of the source zone has to match the reference of the reverse zone, or the reference on a PTR record to effect a change or the source of the update has to be a user interface with the 'Admin' sectag. Given the former conditions, if a PTR record does not exist, one is created. An existing PTR record is only updated if the FORCEREV RR flag is given, and the RR is not LOCKPTR. BTW, the inc\_updates flag MUST be set on a reverse zone for auto updating to operate on it.

The update mechanism uses a network database table to choose the most specific (by CIDR netmask) existing

reverse zone to apply the update to. This is also the smarts behind the CIDR network block/IP address -> reverse zone domain resolution in zone\_tool.

## Edit Locking

Zones may have edit\_lock flag set, which means timed edit locking is enforced on the zone. The lock has an activity time out, and edit\_zone will give a lock failure with the locked\_by string for the zone if it is locked. The lock can be cleared with cancel\_edit\_zone or clear\_edit\_lock, which will ask for the zone name and the lock token that is returned with the lock failure error message.

```
shalom-ext: -grantma- [~]
$ zone_tool edit_zone anathoth.net
*** Event ZoneSMEedit(885379) failed - ZoneEditLocked: Zone
    'anathoth.net.' is locked with token '885378', held by 'grantma
@shalom-ext.internal.anathoth.net/Admin'.

shalom-ext: -grantma- [~]
$ zone_tool
Welcome to the zone_tool program. Type help or ? to list commands.

zone_tool > clear_edit_lock anathoth.net 885378
zone_tool > edit_zone anathoth.net
*** File '/tmp/zone_tool-mtjo4s.zone'
    unchanged after editing - exiting.
zone_tool >
```

## Enabling and Disabling Zones

### Enabling and Disabling a Zone

This completely removes the zone from the DNS servers, while still holding it in the database. The show\_zonesm <domain-name> command is used to display the zone state, though you could also use ls -v <domain-name>. The zone\_tool commands are enable\_zone and disable\_zone.

ls\_pending\_events can be used to display what is waiting in the DMS event queue. Note the 10 minute delay between updating the named.conf files enforced by the DMS ConfiSM state machine.

For example have a look at the following screen capture:

```
zone_tool > disable_zone bad-thing.org
zone_tool > show_zonesm bad-thing.org
    name:          bad-thing.org.
    alt_sg_name:   None
    auto_dnssec:   False
```

```
ctime: Thu Aug 23 14:54:07 2012
deleted_start: None
edit_lock: True
edit_lock_token: None
inc_updates: False
lock_state: EDIT_UNLOCK
locked_by: None
mtime: Thu Aug 23 15:07:07 2012
nsec3: True
reference: anathoth
soa_serial: 2012082300
sg_name: anathoth-external
state: DISABLED
use_apex_ns: True
zi_candidate_id: 102602
zi_id: 102602
zone_id: 101449
zone_type: DynDNSZoneSM

zi_id: 102602
change_by: grantma@shalom-ext.internal.anathoth.net/Admin
ctime: Thu Aug 23 14:54:07 2012
mtime: Thu Aug 23 14:54:26 2012
ptime: Thu Aug 23 14:54:26 2012
soa_expire: 7d
soa_minimum: 600
soa_mname: ns1.anathoth.net.
soa_refresh: 600
soa_retry: 600
soa_rname: matthewgrant5@gmail.com.
soa_serial: 2012082300
soa_ttl: None
zone_id: 101449
zone_ttl: 24h

zone_tool >

shalom-ext: -grantma- [~/dms-2011]
$ dig -t AXFR bad-thing.org @::1

; <>> DiG 9.8.1-P1 <>> -t AXFR bad-thing.org @::1
;; global options: +cmd
; Transfer failed.

zone_tool > enable_zone bad-thing.org
zone_tool > show_zonesm bad-thing.org
    name: bad-thing.org.
    alt_sg_name: None
    auto_dnssec: False
    ctime: Thu Aug 23 14:54:07 2012
    deleted_start: None
    edit_lock: True
    edit_lock_token: None
    inc_updates: False
```

```

lock_state:      EDIT_UNLOCK
locked_by:      None
mtime:          Thu Aug 23 15:08:58 2012
nsec3:          True
reference:      anathoth
soa_serial:    2012082300
sg_name:        anathoth-external
state:          UNCONFIG
use_apex_ns:   True
zi_candidate_id: 102602
zi_id:          102602
zone_id:        101449
zone_type:      DynDNSZoneSM

zi_id:          102602
change_by:      grantma@shalom-ext.internal.anathoth.net/Admin
ctime:          Thu Aug 23 14:54:07 2012
mtime:          Thu Aug 23 14:54:26 2012
ptime:          Thu Aug 23 14:54:26 2012
soa_expire:    7d
soa_minimum:   600
soa_mname:     ns1.anathoth.net.
soa_refresh:   600
soa_retry:     600
soa_rname:     matthewgrant5.gmail.com.
soa_serial:    2012082300
soa_ttl:        None
zone_id:        101449
zone_ttl:      24h

.
.
.

zone_tool > ls_pending_events
ConfigSMHoldTimeout                                Thu Aug 23 15:17:09
2012
ZoneSMReconfigUpdate      bad-thing.org.           Thu Aug 23 15:17:27
2012
zone_tool > ls -v bad-thing.org
bad-thing.org.          2012082300  UNCONFIG      anathoth
zone_tool >
.
.
.

shalom-ext: -grantma- [~/dms-2011]
$ dig -t AXFR bad-thing.org @::1
; <>> DiG 9.8.1-P1 <>> -t AXFR bad-thing.org @::1
;; global options: +cmd
bad-thing.org. 86400 IN SOA ns1.anathoth.net. matthewgrant5.gmail.com.
2012082300 600 600 604800 600
bad-thing.org. 86400 IN NS ns1.anathoth.net.
bad-thing.org. 86400 IN NS ns2.anathoth.net.
bad-thing.org. 86400 IN NS ns3.anathoth.net.

```

```
bad-thing.org. 86400 IN SOA ns1.anathoth.net. matthewgrant5@gmail.com.  
2012082300 600 600 604800 600  
;; Query time: 0 msec  
;; SERVER: ::1#53(::1)  
;; WHEN: Thu Aug 23 15:18:56 2012  
;; XFR size: 5 records (messages 1, bytes 192)
```

```
zone_tool > ls -v bad-thing.org  
bad-thing.org. 2012082300 PUBLISHED anathoth  
zone_tool >
```

## Refreshing and Resetting a Zone

### Refreshing a Zone

This causes a refresh of the zone against the master DMS server. If there are any differences, they are resolved.

```

zone_tool > refresh_zone bad-thing.org
zone_tool > ls_zi bad-thing.org
    *102602          2012082300    Thu Aug 23 14:54:07 2012
zone_tool > show_zonesm bad-thing.org
    name:           bad-thing.org.
    alt_sg_name:    None
    auto_dnssec:   False
    ctime:         Thu Aug 23 14:54:07 2012
    deleted_start: None
    edit_lock:      True
    edit_lock_token: None
    inc_updates:   False
    lock_state:    EDIT_UNLOCK
    locked_by:     None
    mtime:         Thu Aug 30 09:11:45 2012
    nsec3:          True
    reference:     anathoth
    soa_serial:    2012082300
    sg_name:       anathoth-external
    state:         PUBLISHED
    use_apex_ns:   True
    zi_candidate_id: 102602
    zi_id:         102602
    zone_id:       101449
    zone_type:     DynDNSZoneSM

    zi_id:         102602
    change_by:     grantma@shalom-ext.internal.anathoth.net/Admin
    ctime:         Thu Aug 23 14:54:07 2012
    mtime:         Thu Aug 30 09:25:44 2012
    ptime:         Thu Aug 30 09:25:44 2012
    soa_expire:    7d
    soa_minimum:   600
    soa_mname:     ns1.anathoth.net.
    soa_refresh:   600
    soa_retry:     600
    soa_rname:     matthewgrant5@gmail.com.
    soa_serial:    2012082300
    soa_ttl:       None
    zone_id:       101449
    zone_ttl:     24h

zone_tool >

```

## Resetting a Zone

This withdraws the zone completely from the DNS servers, and reconfigures it through out the DNS servers. During the 15 minutes that this takes, the Zone will NOT be served. The main use of this instruction is if a zones state machine is 'stuck' and not PUBLISHED. A yes/no confirmation is asked before doing it. **BE CAREFUL!**

```

zone_tool > reset_zonesm bad-thing.org
***   WARNING - doing this destroys DNSSEC RRSIG data.
***   Do really you wish to do this?
--y/[N]> y
zone_tool > show_zonesm bad-thing.org
      name:          bad-thing.org.
      alt_sg_name:    None
      auto_dnssec:   False
      ctime:         Thu Aug 23 14:54:07 2012
      deleted_start: None
      edit_lock:     True
      edit_lock_token: None
      inc_updates:   False
      lock_state:    EDIT_UNLOCK
      locked_by:     None
      mtime:         Thu Aug 30 09:11:45 2012
      nsec3:         True
      reference:    anathoth
      soa_serial:   2012082300
      sg_name:       anathoth-external
      state:        RESET
      use_apex_ns:  True
      zi_candidate_id: 102602
      zi_id:        102602
      zone_id:      101449
      zone_type:    DynDNSZoneSM

      zi_id:        102602
      change_by:    grantma@shalom-ext.internal.anathoth.net/Admin
      ctime:         Thu Aug 23 14:54:07 2012
      mtime:         Thu Aug 30 09:25:44 2012
      ptime:         Thu Aug 30 09:25:44 2012
      soa_expire:   7d
      soa_minimum:  600
      soa_mname:    ns1.anathoth.net.
      soa_refresh:  600
      soa_retry:    600
      soa_rname:    matthewgrant5@gmail.com.
      soa_serial:   2012082300
      soa_ttl:      None
      zone_id:      101449
      zone_ttl:    24h

zone_tool >

```

## The DMS zone\_tool Session etc

For help desk, ssh to dms-server.failover.vygr.net with your DMS system login name. For help desk accounts, you will be dropped into a restricted zone\_tool shell, which should have all the commands you need to do day to day

zone management.

The default editor in the shell is vim with zone file syntax highlighting. Invalid syntax will usually be highlighted in red as soon as you type it. Vim is set up to allow normal cursor navigation with arrow keys in a friendly 'Insert' mode, and other niceties, as detailed in [Editing a Zone](#). Nano is available on request, but it won't be so helpful when editing.

To exit the shell, use Ctrl-D, exit or quit as you would with a normal \*nix terminal session.

-  Operations that cause an amount of down time, or may result in irreversible or really large changes in zone\_tool have a confirmation question before proceeding. Be careful.

## Viewing Zones (and a lot more about them)

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### Listing Zones

You can use the ls command for this. It can take multiple wild cards, '?' and '\*'. Other things that are useful are the customer reference. These take the form account\_id@1STDOMAINS-NZ and account\_id@NET24-NZ

#### *Examples:*

Plain ls - Returns everything

```
zone_tool > ls
110.168.192.in-addr.arpa.
2.1.0.f.0.7.4.0.1.0.0.2.ip6.arpa.
31.172.in-addr.arpa.
9.6.a.b.8.2.8.0.4.1.d.f.ip6.arpa.
anathoth.net.
anathoth.org.
blam.com.
blamo.net.
failover.internal.anathoth.net.
internal.anathoth.net.
loo.org.
test1.com.
test2.com.
wilma.org.
```

Wildcard ls

```
zone_tool > ls anathoth*
anathoth.net.
anathoth.org.
```

ls with reference using -r switch

```
zone_tool > ls -r 0000@1STDOMAINS-NZ
110.168.192.in-addr.arpa.
2.1.0.f.0.7.4.0.1.0.0.2.ip6.arpa.
31.172.in-addr.arpa.
9.6.a.b.8.2.8.0.4.1.d.f.ip6.arpa.
blam.com.
blamo.net.
failover.internal.anathoth.net.
internal.anathoth.net.
loo.org.
test1.com.
test2.com.
wilma.org.
```

Verbose ls with reference

```
zone_tool > ls -v -r 0000@1STDOMAINS-NZ
110.168.192.in-addr.arpa. 2012081900 PUBLISHED anathoth
2.1.0.f.0.7.4.0.1.0.0.2.ip6.arpa. 2012052300 PUBLISHED anathoth
31.172.in-addr.arpa. 2012071301 PUBLISHED anathoth
9.6.a.b.8.2.8.0.4.1.d.f.ip6.arpa. 2012081900 PUBLISHED anathoth
blam.com. 2012081600 PUBLISHED anathoth
blamo.net. 2012080902 PUBLISHED anathoth
failover.internal.anathoth.net. 2012081601 PUBLISHED anathoth
internal.anathoth.net. 2012081900 PUBLISHED anathoth
loo.org. 2012081602 PUBLISHED anathoth
test1.com. 2012081601 PUBLISHED anathoth
test2.com. 2012081602 PUBLISHED anathoth
wilma.org. 2012081602 PUBLISHED anathoth
zone_tool >
```

## **Listing Deleted Zones**

Use the ls\_deleted command. It can use wild cards and reference as per the ls command. The second column displayed is the zone\_id, which you use to undelete a zone. Raison d'etre: With 1st domains, knowing how people

use computers when they 'know'/think something goes a bit loopy, they will spring for deleting a zone, and recreating it, most likely multiple times. Thus there are likely to be multiple deleted zones for the same domain name, hence the use of zone\_id for undelete.

```
zone_tool > help ls_deleted

List deleted zones/domains (+ wildcards):

ls_deleted [-v] [-r reference] [-g sg_name] [domain-name]
[domain-name] ...

where:  domain-name      domain name with * or ? wildcards as needed
        reference       reference
        sg_name         server group name
        -v              verbose output

zone_tool > ls_deleted
blamo.wham.          101374      anathoth
blamo.wham.          101375      anathoth
toady.anathoth.net.  101407      anathoth
zone_tool >
```

## Showing a Zone

Use the show\_zone command. By default just displays the published Zone Instance (ZI)

```
zone_tool > show_zone anathoth.net
$TTL 24h
$ORIGIN anathoth.net.

;

; Zone:      anathoth.net.
; change_by: hd-test@shalom-ext.internal.anathoth.net/Admin
; zi_id:     102592
; zi_ctime:  Mon Aug 20 11:07:49 2012
; zi_mtime:  Mon Aug 20 11:12:07 2012
; zi_ptime:  Mon Aug 20 11:12:07 2012
;

;

;|
;| Apex resource records for anathoth.net.
;|
@           IN      SOA      ( ns1          ;Master NS
                           matthewgrant5@gmail.com.
;RP email
                           2012082000 ;Serial
yyyymmddnn                                600          ;Refresh
```

```

600          ;Retry
604800       ;Expire
600

;Minimum/Ncache
)
IN      NS      ns3
IN      NS      ns2
IN      NS      ns1

; | Hosts
shalom-dr           IN      AAAA      2001:470:f012:2::3
                     IN      SSHFP     1 1
07bfdd14b4be97dbe282573eec5bc6b062a92b1
shalom-ext          IN      AAAA      2001:470:f012:2::2
                     IN      SSHFP     1 1
073b3198599c59a3c2a9db8c209a2097ea46aa09
shalom-fw           IN      AAAA      2001:470:c:2e6::2
shalom-svc          IN      AAAA      2001:470:f012:2::1

; | Internal zone lacing
internal            IN      DS      18174 7 2
c42492db9def5ca9403d26f175247dfe86d913da4bedfc7d629f5e57d6669feb
                     IN      NS      ns1.internal
                     IN      NS      ns2.internal
ns1.internal        IN      AAAA
fd14:828:ba69:1:21c:f0ff:fefa:f3c0
ns2.internal        IN      AAAA      fd14:828:ba69:2::2

; | Name server records
ns1                 IN      A       203.79.116.183
                     IN      AAAA      2001:470:f012:2::2
ns2                 IN      A       111.65.238.10
                     IN      AAAA      2001:470:c:110e::2
ns3                 IN      A       111.65.238.11
                     IN      AAAA      2001:470:66:23::2

; | Web site Urls
@                  IN      A       203.79.116.183
                     IN      AAAA      2001:470:f012:2::2
                     IN      TXT      "Some hash"
www                IN      CNAME    @

```

```
zone_tool >
```

Use ls\_zi <domain-name> to display all the ZIs in the DB for a zone.

```
ls_zi anathoth.net
```

102012	2012042702	Mon Feb 27 10:06:28 2012
102100	2012050800	Tue May 8 14:19:17 2012
102104	2012050801	Tue May 8 14:22:25 2012
102106	2012050802	Tue May 8 14:29:02 2012
102108	2012050803	Tue May 8 14:34:17 2012
102133	2012050900	Wed May 9 09:23:04 2012
102136	2012050901	Wed May 9 09:24:14 2012
102152	2012050902	Wed May 9 12:55:11 2012
102155	2012050903	Wed May 9 12:56:27 2012
102156	2012050904	Wed May 9 12:56:46 2012
102159	2012051000	Thu May 10 10:07:52 2012
102162	2012051012	Thu May 10 10:09:04 2012
102164	2012051013	Thu May 10 13:31:06 2012
102167	2012051013	Thu May 10 16:13:56 2012
102171	2012051014	Thu May 10 16:45:33 2012
102187	2012052100	Mon May 21 11:43:57 2012
102189	2012052300	Wed May 23 11:47:01 2012
102199	2012052400	Thu May 24 15:23:05 2012
102201	2012052401	Thu May 24 15:24:18 2012
102261	2012072500	Tue Jul 3 12:05:29 2012
102468	2012072600	Thu Jul 26 12:13:53 2012
102585	2012082000	Mon Aug 20 10:26:27 2012
102588	2012082000	Mon Aug 20 10:27:36 2012
102589	2012082000	Mon Aug 20 10:41:26 2012
*102592	2012082000	Mon Aug 20 11:07:49 2012

The published ZI is asterisked.

show\_zone can also take a ZI as the second argument

```

zone_tool > show_zone anathoth.net 102585
$TTL 24h
$ORIGIN anathoth.net.

;

; Zone:      anathoth.net.
; change_by: grantma@shalom-ext.internal.anathoth.net/Admin
; zi_id:     102585
; zi_ctime:   Mon Aug 20 10:26:27 2012
; zi_mtime:   Mon Aug 20 10:26:28 2012
; zi_ptime:   Mon Aug 20 10:26:28 2012
;

;

;|
;| Apex resource records for anathoth.net.
;|
@           IN      SOA      ( ns1          ;Master NS
                                matthewgrant5.gmail.com.
;RP email
                                2012082000 ;Serial
yyyymmddnn
                                600          ;Refresh
                                600          ;Retry
                                604800       ;Expire
                                600

;Minimum/Ncache
                                )
IN      NS      ns3
IN      NS      ns2
IN      NS      ns1
.

.

.

```

## Power Tricks

### zi-id

Anywhere a ZI id can be entered, you can use the '^--' and '^++' notation. '^' is the published ZI, '^-' the ZI previous to the published ZI, '^+2' the ZI 2 ahead of the current published ZI, '@2d' the ZI that was published 2 days ago, '1/4' the ZI that was published on the 1st of April, 2/3/1010 the ZI published as of the 2nd March 1010. The zi\_id is also used with the diff\_zone and diff\_zones commands.

### domain-name

In the case of reverse zones, the domain name can be the exact network block in CIDR notation when creating a zone, deleting a zone, enabling/disabling/setting a zone. An IP number can be given with show\_zone, edit\_zone, and lszi, and the corresponding closest reverse zone will be shown/edited. This is for ease of use when working with IP addresses and network diagnosis. The IP number can be pasted into the terminal.

## Differencing ZIs and Zones

Differences between the ZIs in a zone can be taken by using the diff\_zone\_zi command. The first zi\_id parameter is the former ZI, and the 2nd the latter ZI. By default the 2nd ZI is the currently published ZI.

All diff output is in unified format, and if the system is set up properly, difference lines are colorized in the zone\_tool pager.

Dates can also take a 4 digit year, ISO date format, whith hh:mm after a comma. (ie 3/5/2012,13:45) If a time is not given with a date, it is taken as being at midnight on the date, the start of the day, 00:00. This is in line with the international date time standards used for time zones.

Times in hh:mm can also be used as a zi\_id.

- ❶ Zone SOA serial numbers for a ZI 'float'. They are updated if a ZI for a zone is republished, or if an update is made to the zone apex records, or if the ZI for the zone is refreshed resulting in its publication. The SOA serial for a ZI is worked out via an RFC compliant 'bargaining' process with named when named is updated with the ZI via dynamic differencing from net24dmd. A current serial number of 'YYYYMMDDnn' format is the first 'offer' if the named zone SOA serial is before the current day.

The best thing when looking for a SOA serial number for a zone is to give it as a zi\_id date.

Differencing between ZI at 1/5 (1st May) of current year and published for zone anathoth.net.

```

zone_tool > diff_zone_zi anathoth.net 1/5
@@ -6,7 +6,7 @@
;|
@ IN SOA ( ns1 ;Master NS
matthewgrant5.gmail.com.

;RP email
-
yyyymmddnn
+
yyyymmddnn
600 ;Refresh
600 ;Retry
604800 ;Expire

@@ -18,7 +18,10 @@
;| Hosts
+shalom-dr IN AAAA 2001:470:f012:2::3
+ IN SSHFP 1 1
07bfdd14b4be97dbe282573eec5bc6b062a92b1
shalom-ext IN AAAA 2001:470:f012:2::2
+ IN SSHFP 1 1
073b3198599c59a3c2a9db8c209a2097ea46aa09
shalom-fw IN AAAA 2001:470:c:2e6::2
shalom-svc IN AAAA 2001:470:f012:2::1

@@ -43,6 +46,7 @@
;| Web site Urls
@ IN A 203.79.116.183
IN AAAA 2001:470:f012:2::2
+
IN TXT "Some hash"
www IN CNAME @

zone_tool >

```

Differencing between ZI 65 days ago and published for zone anathoth.net Note the 2 days ago, no difference, produces no output. Other time specifiers are s for seconds, m for minutes, h for hours. Months is not available as Python standard lib datetime.timedelta class does not support it (months varying in length?).

```
zone_tool > diff_zone_zi anathoth.net @2d ^
zone_tool > diff_zone_zi anathoth.net @25d ^
@@ -6,7 +6,7 @@
;|
@           IN      SOA      ( ns1          ;Master NS
matthewgrant5.gmail.com.

;RP email
-
yyyymmddnn
+
yyyymmddnn
               600      ;Refresh
               600      ;Retry
               604800   ;Expire

zone_tool >
```

Differencing between anathoth.net on 2/4/2012,14:04 and the ZI 4 previous to the current published one (could also be given as '^---'):

```

diff_zone_zi anathoth.net 3/4/2012,14:04 ^-4
@@ -6,7 +6,7 @@
;|
@ IN SOA ( ns1 ;Master NS
matthewgrant5.gmail.com.

;RP email
-
yyyymmddnn
+
yyyymmddnn

600 ;Refresh
600 ;Retry
604800 ;Expire

@@ -18,7 +18,10 @@
;

;| Hosts
+shalom-dr IN AAAA 2001:470:f012:2::3
+
IN SSHFP 1 1
07bfdd14b4be97dbe282573eec5bc6b062a92b1
shalom-ext IN AAAA 2001:470:f012:2::2
+
IN SSHFP 1 1
073b3198599c59a3c2a9db8c209a2097ea46aa09
shalom-fw IN AAAA 2001:470:c:2e6::2
shalom-svc IN AAAA 2001:470:f012:2::1

@@ -43,6 +46,7 @@
;| Web site Urls
@ IN A 203.79.116.183
IN AAAA 2001:470:f012:2::2
+
IN TXT "Some hash"
www IN CNAME @

zone_tool >

```

- i The zi\_id date format arguments can be used with show\_zone and edit\_zone instead of a straight zi\_id. So you can workflow using command line history. edit\_zone will take the specified ZI ID as the source to change, and make it the published ZI on completion (you can also abort, and also diff your edit before updating).

## Differencing Zones

The diff\_zones command can be used to show the difference between 2 zones. This is useful if the latter zone was created from the other . The zi\_id arguments are given in the order of the zone names.

To show it works:

```

zone_tool > diff_zones anathoth.net anathoth.net ^--- ^
@@ -3,11 +3,11 @@
;

; Zone:      anathoth.net.
-; change_by: grantma@shalom-ext.internal.anathoth.net/Admin
-; zi_id:     102588
-; zi_ctime:  Mon Aug 20 10:27:36 2012
-; zi_mtime:  Mon Aug 20 10:27:38 2012
-; zi_ptime:  Mon Aug 20 10:27:38 2012
+; change_by: hd-test@shalom-ext.internal.anathoth.net/Admin
+; zi_id:     102592
+; zi_ctime:  Mon Aug 20 11:07:49 2012
+; zi_mtime:  Mon Aug 20 11:12:07 2012
+; zi_ptime:  Mon Aug 20 11:12:07 2012
;

```

And of course:

```

zone_tool > ls_zi anathoth.net
 102012          2012042702  Mon Feb 27 10:06:28 2012
 102100          2012050800  Tue May  8 14:19:17 2012
 102104          2012050801  Tue May  8 14:22:25 2012
 102106          2012050802  Tue May  8 14:29:02 2012
 102108          2012050803  Tue May  8 14:34:17 2012
 102133          2012050900  Wed May  9 09:23:04 2012
 102136          2012050901  Wed May  9 09:24:14 2012
 102152          2012050902  Wed May  9 12:55:11 2012
 102155          2012050903  Wed May  9 12:56:27 2012
 102156          2012050904  Wed May  9 12:56:46 2012
 102159          2012051000  Thu May 10 10:07:52 2012
 102162          2012051012  Thu May 10 10:09:04 2012
 102164          2012051013  Thu May 10 13:31:06 2012
 102167          2012051013  Thu May 10 16:13:56 2012
 102171          2012051014  Thu May 10 16:45:33 2012
 102187          2012052100  Mon May 21 11:43:57 2012
 102189          2012052300  Wed May 23 11:47:01 2012
 102199          2012052400  Thu May 24 15:23:05 2012
 102201          2012052401  Thu May 24 15:24:18 2012
 102261          2012072500  Tue Jul  3 12:05:29 2012
 102468          2012072600  Thu Jul 26 12:13:53 2012
 102585          2012082000  Mon Aug 20 10:26:27 2012
 102588          2012082000  Mon Aug 20 10:27:36 2012
 102589          2012082000  Mon Aug 20 10:41:26 2012
 *102592         2012082000  Mon Aug 20 11:07:49 2012

zone_tool > copy_zone -z 102592 anathoth.net wham-blam.org
zone_tool > edit_zone wham-blam.org
***  Do you wish to Abort, Change, Diff, or Update the zone

```

```

'wham-blam.org.'?
--[U]/a/c/d>
zone_tool > diff_zones anathoth.net wham-blam.org ^-- ^
@@ -1,33 +1,35 @@
$TTL 24h
-$ORIGIN anathoth.net.
+$ORIGIN wham-blam.org.

;

-; Zone:      anathoth.net.
+; Zone:      wham-blam.org.
+; Reference: anathoth
; change_by:  grantma@shalom-ext.internal.anathoth.net/Admin
-; zi_id:     102588
-; zi_ctime:  Mon Aug 20 10:27:36 2012
-; zi_mtime:  Mon Aug 20 10:27:38 2012
-; zi_ptime:  Mon Aug 20 10:27:38 2012
+; zi_id:     102598
+; zi_ctime:  Thu Aug 23 10:52:16 2012
+; zi_mtime:  Thu Aug 23 10:52:18 2012
+; zi_ptime:  Thu Aug 23 10:52:18 2012
;

-;|
-;| Apex resource records for anathoth.net.
-;|
-@           IN      SOA          ( ns1           ;Master NS
+;| Apex resource records for wham-blam.org.
+;!REF:anathoth
+@           IN      SOA          ( ns1.anathoth.net.
;Master NS
                                         matthewgrant5@gmail.com.

;RP email
-
                                         2012082000 ;Serial
yyyymmddnn
+
                                         2012082301 ;Serial
yyyymmddnn
                                         600          ;Refresh
                                         600          ;Retry
                                         604800       ;Expire
                                         600

;Minimum/Ncache
                                         )
-
                                         IN      NS          ns3
-
                                         IN      NS          ns2
-
                                         IN      NS          ns1
+
                                         IN      NS          ns3.anathoth.net.
+
                                         IN      NS          ns2.anathoth.net.
+
                                         IN      NS          ns1.anathoth.net.

;| Hosts

```

+bingo	IN	AAAA	::1
+	IN	TXT	"Samson was here"
shalom-dr	IN	AAAA	2001:470:f012:2::3
	IN	SSHFP	1 1
07bfdd14b4be97dbe282573eec5bc6b062a92b1			
shalom-ext	IN	AAAA	2001:470:f012:2::2

```
zone_tool >
```

# Programming Information

## WSGI JSON RPC Protocol

### Net24dmsd Communications Protocol

*This document will be updated as the DMS protocol is implemented.*

The server to be tightly coded to a standard so it behaves reasonably. Clients won't have to be so fussy, but should not request anything they are not coded to deal with! Comprehensive error processing by the client is encouraged.

The protocol will be JSON-RPC over HTTP 1.1+. This will enable the processing of multiple requests over the same TCP connection. TCP connections to the server will be cacheable, and can be held open up to a limit set on the server. Multiple POSTs over the connection are allowed, and multiple RPC requests can be submitted within a POST request, with the id: set to a UUID string generated as per RFC 4122.

[JSON/RPC 2.0 specification](#) will be used. JSON RFC 4627 will be used as the data format.

[JSON-RPC over HTTP](#) will be used to access the server, with the limitation being that HTTP POST shall be used, not GET with its encoded URL.... (blech!). Batch mode requests will also be implemented.

Authentication will be via HTTP Basic authentication, with the deployed implementation using HTTPS for integrity. Privileged access stratification will be achieved by accessing different Python WSGI scripts at different URLs. Initially 2 different levels of access will be provided:

1. Customer for 1st domains and Net24 customer front ends,
2. HelpDesk for normal administrative work on the DNS.

Comprehensive administrative functionality will be available via the zone-tool command line UI on the Master DNS server.

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    - [rr\\_query\\_db\(<label> \[name\] \[type\] \[rdata\] \[zi\\_id\] \[show\\_all\]\)](#)
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    - [list\\_sg\(\)](#)

## Error Information

Errors shall be python exceptions translated to JSON-RPC errors. The 'data' section will contain relevant exception attributes, along with an error message. There will different classes of error, dependent on the operation being performed.

Errors to do with Zone Instance submission will return RR Group and RRS index information into the ZI structure sent in the request.

Please note that zones outside the client role are treated as if they do not exist unless otherwise noted.

Please see [The DMS Errors page](#) for a full listing.

## Editing Cycle

Please note that an edit cycle starts with the 'edit\_zone' call below, and is finished with an 'update\_zone' call. When edit locking is enabled for the zone (typically only helpdesk, admin, and special customers) the 'tickle\_editlock' (keep a locked editing session live, called on receiving any data from web browser) and 'cancel\_edit\_zone' (to cancel edit session) calls should be used.

## Incremental Updates

The 'update\_rrs' call is to be used for incremental updates. The update\_type is a unique ID identifying the operation type, of which only one per zone can be queued at a time. Each update call eventually generates a new ZI incorporating the changes after the call returns. When the call is made, a forward-looking check is made with the current (or candidate) ZI to make sure the changes to be made are consistent.

This mechanism is only for the simple consistent changes required for adding/removing a Web site to a domain, adding/removing mail MX records for adding Web hosting or Mail to a domain.

Note: The error checking is forward looking and would probably fail to produce a published zone for complex change sets. It is NOT for making general editing changes such as these to the zone. Use the [Editing Cycle](#) above for user UI editing sessions, not this.

## Request calls

### **list\_zone(<names>, [reference], [include\_deleted], [toggle\_deleted], [include\_disabled])**

<names> array of wildcard-names

[reference] customer ID or other ID meta data

[include\_deleted] boolean true/false whether to include deleted domains in listing

[toggle\_deleted] boolean true/false list only deleted domains

[include\_deleted] boolean true/false include disabled domains, defaults to true

To list domains. Many wild carded domains can be specified. Response will either be the list of domain names, or an empty list as domains cannot be found. Customer facing DMIs will be set up so that a *ZoneSearchPatternError* exception will be thrown if list\_zone is called with no *names*, or *names* set to '\*', without *reference* being given.

### **list\_zi(<name>)**

<name> domain to list

List all zis for a domain. Returns just the base zone\_sm object, and the list of zis 'all\_zis'. The published zi is the 'zi' in the zone\_sm object, and its full structure is returned, Each zi is accompanied by its ctime and mtime. The output

is shown below in show zone.

**show\_zone(<name>, [zi\_id])**

**show\_zone\_text(<name>, [zi\_id], [all\_rrs])**

<name> domain to show.

[zi\_id] optional zone instance

[all\_rrs] optional NOT showing of Apex RRs. Only for show\_zone\_text

Like the previous operation, except that the full *zi* returned can be given.

`show_zone_text` returns a zone file text blob, JSON encoded. Note that this means new line, tab, etc are encoded as '\n', '\t' not as a control characters.

Sample JSON dump of output of show\_zone. Note that "sectags" sub-array only shows up in Admin DMS client RPC interface

```
        'rr_id': 5126,
        'ttl': null,
        'type': 'NS',
        'zi_id': 45},
    {
        'class': 'IN',
        'disable': false,
        'label': '@',
        'lock_ptr': false,
        'rdata':
'nsl.net24.net.nz.',

        'reference': null,
        'rr_id': 5125,
        'ttl': null,
        'type': 'NS',
        'zi_id': 45},
    {
        'class': 'IN',
        'disable': false,
        'label': '@',
        'lock_ptr': false,
        'rdata':
'nsl.net24.net.nz. soa.net24.net.nz. 2012030500 7200 7200 604800 86400',
        'reference': null,
        'rr_id': 5124,
        'ttl': null,
        'type': 'SOA',
        'zi_id': 45}],
        'tag': 'APEX_RRS'}],
        'soa_expire': '7d',
        'soa_minimum': '24h',
        'soa_mname': 'nsl.net24.net.nz.',
        'soa_refresh': '7200',
        'soa_retry': '7200',
        'soa_rname': 'soa.net24.net.nz.',
        'soa_serial': 2012030500,
        'soa_ttl': null,
        'zi_id': 45,
        'zone_id': 32,
        'zone_ttl': '24h'},
    'zi_candidate_id': 45,
    'zi_id': 45,
    'zone_id': 32,
```

```
'zone_type' : 'DynDNSZoneSM' }
```

**show\_zone\_text(<name>, zi\_id=None)**

**create\_zone(<name> <reference> <login\_id> [zi\_data] [sectags] [sg\_name] [edit\_lock] [auto\_dnssec] [nsec3] [inc\_updates] )**

**create\_zone(<name> <reference> <login\_id>)**

**copy\_zone(<src\_name> <name> <reference> <login\_id> [zi\_id] [sectags] [sg\_name] [edit\_lock] [auto\_dnssec] [nsec3] [inc\_updates]**

<src\_name> source domain to be copied

[ zi\_id ] source ZI to be copied

<name> domain to be created

<reference> reference for domain being created - can be missed, but domain will be owned by default\_ref, ie VOYAGERNET-NZ!

<login\_id> DMI login ID. Email address, or numerical login\_id

[zi\_data] optional zi\_data (for feeding in a template)

[sg\_name] optional sg where zone is to be created Admin DMS only.

[sectags] optional list of security tags for new zone. Admin DMS only. Same array/object format as listing above.

[edit\_lock] optional boolean for turning on edit\_lock mode, default false

[auto\_dnssec] optional boolean for turning on automatic DNSSEC, default false

[nsec3] optional boolean for enabling NSEC3 under DNSSEC, default false

[inc\_updates] optional boolean for enabling incremental updates for zone, default true for basic interface, false for help desk and admin interfaces.

Returns: true

Errors are returned if a zone already exists. Optional zi\_data in the format above can be feed in for a template.

Please note that Apex SOA and NS records will not be taken. Basic call used by default for 1stdomains and Register Direct.

**enable\_zone(<name>)**

<name> domain to be enabled.

Returns: true

Errors will be returned if the zone does not exist.

**disable\_zone(<name>)**

<name> domain to be disabled.

Returns: true

Errors will be returned if the zone does not exist.

**delete\_zone(<name>)**

<name> domain to be deleted.

Returns: true

Errors can be returned if the zone does not exist.

#### **set\_zone(<name> [edit\_lock] [auto\_dnssec] [nsec3] [inc\_updates])**

<name> domain to be created

[edit\_lock] optional boolean for turning on edit\_lock mode, default false

[auto\_dnssec] optional boolean for turning on automatic DNSSEC, default false

[nsec3] optional boolean for enabling NSEC3 under DNSSEC, default false

[inc\_updates] optional boolean for enabling incremental updates for zone, default true for basic interface, false for help desk and admin interfaces.

Returns: true

Errors are returned if a zone already exists.

#### **undelete\_zone(<zone\_id>)**

<zone\_id> Id of deleted zone to be undeleted

Undelete a zone.. This can only be done to a deleted zone, and if there are no active zones with the same name.

Returns: true

#### **destroy\_zone(<zone\_id>)**

<zone\_id> Id of deleted zone to be destroyed

Destroy a zone.. This can only be done to a deleted zone.

Returns: true

#### **copy\_zi(<src\_name>, <name>, [zi\_id])**

<src\_name> Source zone name

<name> destination domain name

<login\_id> DMI login ID. Email address, or numerical login\_id

[zi\_id] ZI ID to be copied, default published ZI of source zone.

Copy a ZI from a source zone to another.

Returns: true

#### **delete\_zi(<name> <zi\_id>)**

<name> domain name

<zi\_id> ZI ID

Delete a zi. This can only be done for a ZI that is not currently in use.

#### **edit\_zone(<name> <login\_id> [zi\_id])**

<name> domain to be edited.

[zi\_id] optional zone-instance number or Null

Returns: list (zone\_zi\_data, edit\_lock\_token).

Can be: [zi\_data, edit\_lock\_token] if edit\_lock obtained.

[zi\_data, Null] if zone does not have edit locking enabled.

Errors are returned if the zone does not exist, zi\_id is invalid, an edit\_lock is not able to be obtained.

Returns a zone structure, with a list of all zis in database for domain, accompanied by the zi's date. This structure is the one show above for [show\\_zone](#).

The zi structure contains all the SOA data. Depending on the the value of 'use\_apex\_ns', for 'True' the Apex NS records are supplied, and the secondary DNS server parameters of the SOA record are setable. Otherwise, the Apex NS records are not supplied as they are the global DNS secondary server settings, and the only editable SOA fields (always editable) are soa\_minimum, soa\_ttl, and zone\_ttl. Net24dmd always generates the SOA record for a zone from the values in the zi structure, and automatically calculates the zone SOA serial number based on the algorithm used in the RFCs(RFC 2316 Sec 3.4.2.2, RFC 1982 Section 3) and conventional serial number guidelines based on the date, if it is possible.

The zone-instance parameter defaults to the published ZI, and another ZI can be given. The edit lock is an optional feature zone state machine that can be enabled from zone-tool for domains the are often edited, to prevent unpredictable updates to published zones (le 2 people editing isx.net.nz simultaneously, and then one having his changes wiped out by the later publish action). The edit lock is covered by an inactivity timeout which ist reset by the tickle\_editlock() method.

#### **tickle\_editlock(<name>, <edit\_lock\_token>)**

<name> domain being edited

<edit\_lock\_token> edit lock token to be tickled

Notification of UI activity to reset edit lock time out.

#### **cancel\_edit\_zone(<name>, <edit\_lock\_token>)**

<name> domain being edited

<edit\_lock\_token> edit lock token to be canceled

Cancels a locked zone editing session.

#### **update\_zone(<name>, <zi\_data>, <login\_id>, [edit\_lock\_token])**

<name> domain to be updated

<zi\_data> new zi structure to be published.

<login\_id> DMI login\_id. Email format, or numerical string.

[edit\_lock\_token] Must be supplied to finish an edit locked session.

Saves zi\_data to database for a zone. Queues a ZoneSMEEditUpdate (edit\_locked zone) or ZoneSMUpdate event to publish domain with new zi.

#### **show\_sectags()**

List all possible security tags. This command is only available with Admin level DMS client privilege. Sectags are created and deleted from the one\_tool command line. Each WSGI back end has its privilege assigned by configuring it with a given security tag.

#### **show\_zone\_sectags(<name>)**

<name> domain to be queried.

List the security attached to the given zone. This command is only available with Admin level DMS client privilege.

#### **add\_zone\_sectag(<name>, <sectag>):**

<name> domain

<sectag> sectag to be added

Adds a sectag to a zone. Admin Level DMS client privilege only.

Returns: true

#### **delete\_zone\_sectag(<name>, <sectag>):**

<name> domain

<sectag> sectag to be deleted

Deletes a sectag from a zone. Admin Level DMS client privilege only.

Returns: true

#### **replace\_zone\_sectags(<name>, <sectags>):**

<name> domain to be operated on

<sectags> list of sectags as per above format in listing.

Completely replaces the zones current sectags with the ones specified in the list. This command is only available with Admin level DMS client privilege.

Thus you can use show\_sectags() to get all possible sectags, show\_zone\_sectags() to fill out checkboxes in a dialogue/list, and then call replace\_zone\_sectags() with all checked values when user clicks <OK>/submits in Web UI.

#### **sign\_zone(<name>)**

<name> domain to be operated on.

Resign a DNSSEC zone.

Returns: true

#### **load\_keys(<name>)**

<name> domain to be operated on.

Load the DNSSEC keys for a zone.

Returns: true

**refresh\_zone(<name>)**

<name> domain to be refreshed.

Refresh/update the contents of a zone from the DB into the DNS. Issues a publish event to zone.

Returns: true

**reset\_zone(<name>)**

<name> domain to be reset

Resets the zone state machine. Useful for when net24dmd has an internal error, or when named is mis-configured for write access.

Returns: true

**refresh\_zone\_ttl(<name> [zone\_ttl])**

<name> domain name of zone

[zone\_ttl] named TTL string

Refresh a zones TTL, using the global default for zone creation if none given.

Returns: true

**show\_configs()**

Show the current status of the master named configuration state machine. Useful as it show when the next rndc config can happen.

Returns: true

**create\_reference(<reference>)**

<reference> entity reference string

Creates an entity reference string in the DMS for use with a set of zones.

Returns: true

**delete\_reference(<reference>)**

<reference> entity reference string

Deletes an unused entity reference string from the DMS when there are no more zones against it.

Returns: true

**rename\_reference(<reference> <dst\_reference>)**

<reference> original entity reference string

<dst\_reference> new entity reference string

Rename a reference in the DMS. This should check with the user first to see if they really want to do this. I can see someone like Mike wanting to use this from DMI if the ID in the DMS zone database is wrong, if it is an account ID.

Returns: true

**list\_reference([reference-wildcard], [<reference-wildcard>], ...)**

[reference-wildcard] reference wildcard string.

Lists references. Help desk and admin level functionality.

returns list of references in JSON.

**set\_zone\_reference(<name>, <reference>)**

<name> domain to be operated on

<reference> reference to be set on domain

Change the reference on a domain. Again Admin level only functionality.

Returns: true

**rr\_query\_db(<label> [name] [type] [rdata] [zi\_id] [show\_all])**

<label> host name or other DNS label

[name] domain to be queried

[type] RR type

[rdata] RR rdata string

[zi\_id] ZI ID

[show\_all] boolean true/false, show all records, including disabled ones.

Query the DB ala the OS libc/libresolv hostname() call. This uses a cross zone DB query looking for any records. This is Admin level only functionality.

**update\_rrs(<name> <update\_data> <update\_type> <login\_id>)**

<name> domain being updated

<update\_data> update data for zone

<update\_type> client update type

<login\_id> Email format, or numerical string.

Do incremental updates on a zone. The update data is the same ZI data format as in create\_zone()

Example update file from equiv zone\_tool update\_rrs command:

```

$ORIGIN      foo.bar.org.
$UPDATE_TYPE SpannerReplacement_ShouldBeUUIDperClientOpType

;!RROP:DELETE
ns5          IN  ANY      "" ; All records for ns5
;!RROP:DELETE
ns7          IN  A        "" ; All A records for ns2
;!RROP:DELETE
ns67         IN  A        192.168.2.3 ; Specific record

;!RROP:ADD
ns99         IN  TXT      "Does not know Maxwell Smart"
;!RROP:ADD
ns99         IN  AAAA     2002:fac::1

;!RROP:UPDATE_RRTYPE
ns99         IN  AAAA     ::1

```

The ZI data RRs are augmented with the **update\_op** property, which takes the RROP text values of ADD, DELETE, and UPDATE\_RRTYPE. As seen above the DELETE update\_op can use RR type ANY, and blank rdata as wildcards. UPDATE\_RRTYPE replaces all records of that type for the DNS zone node concerned.

The update\_type property is used to make sure that only one update\_type is queued per zone for execution. Each update is a unique transaction for the zone concerned.

Note that there are separate privilege levels for the Admin, helpdesk, and ordinary customer front ends, and these can affect the auto reverse parameters that can be used in the call, exactly the same as for update\_zone/create\_zone above.

Example of the JSON params object feed to the update\_rrs() call:

```

{
  'name': 'foo.bar.org.',
  'update_data': {
    'rr_groups': [
      {
        'rrs': [
          {
            'class': 'IN',
            'disable': false,
            'force_reverse': false,
            'label': 'ns5.foo.bar.org.',
            'lock_ptr': false,
            'rdata': null,
            'reference': null,
            'type': 'ANY',
            'update_op': 'DELETE'
          }
        ]
      }
    ]
  }
}

```

```
false,
false,
'ns7.foo.bar.org.',
false,
null,
'DELETE'},
{
  'class': 'IN',
  'disable':
false,
'force_reverse':
false,
'label':
'lock_ptr':
'reference':
'type': 'A',
'update_op':
'ns67.foo.bar.org.',
false,
'force_reverse':
false,
'label':
'lock_ptr':
false,
'rdata':
'reference':
null,
'type': 'A',
'update_op':
'DELETE'}],
{
  'rrs': [
    {
      'class': 'IN',
      'disable':
false,
'force_reverse':
false,
'label':
'lock_ptr':
false,
'rdata': '"Does
not know Maxwell Smart"',
'reference':
null,
'type': 'TXT',
'update_op':
'ADD'},
{
  'class': 'IN',
  'disable':
false,
'force_reverse':
false,
'label':
'ns99.foo.bar.org.',
```

```
        'lock_ptr':  
    false,  
    'rdata':  
    '2002:fac::1',  
    'reference':  
    null,  
    'type': 'AAAA',  
    'update_op':  
    'ADD' } ] },  
    { 'rrs': [ { 'class': 'IN',  
    'disable':  
    false,  
    'force_reverse':  
    false,  
    'label':  
    'ns99.foo.bar.org.',  
    'lock_ptr':  
    false,  
    'rdata': '::1',  
    'reference':  
    null,  
    'type': 'AAAA',  
    'update_op':  
    'UPDATE_RRTYPE' } ] } ],  
    'update_type': 'SpannerReplacement_ShouldBeUUIDperClientOpType' }
```

### **set\_zone\_sg(<name>, <sg\_name>)**

<name> domain to be operated on.

<sg\_name> sg the zone is being moved to.

Set the sg a zone is served on. Note that this call at present can only be used on disabled zones. Admin level only call.

Returns: true

### **set\_zone\_alt\_sg(<name>, <sg\_name>)**

<name> domain to be operated on.

<sg\_name> Alternate sg the zone is being served on.

Set an additional sg a zone will be served on. Note that this call at present can only be used on disabled zones. Note that the sg concerned has to be refreshed. Admin level only call.

Returns: true

### **list\_sg()**

List all sgs that are existent on the master DNS server. Admin level only call, for populating menu drop boxes when creating zones etc.

Errors are exceptions in net24/dms/exceptions.py, as listed [above](#)

## **DMS Errors**

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#### **Error Exceptions**

The data section of each JSON RPC error message has a 'exception\_type', 'stack\_trace', 'exception\_message', as well as following extra fields below. The error class hierarchy is at the top of the listing. The 'exception\_type' contains a name for the error such as 'BaseJsonRpcError.DMSError.CancelEditLockFailure'. The intent is to allow the error messages to be classified in the DMI client.

```
Help on module net24.dms.exceptions in net24.dms:

NAME
    net24.dms.exceptions - Exceptions module for the DMS

CLASSES
    net24.core.wsgi.jsonrpc_server.BaseJsonRpcError(builtins.Exception)
        DMSError
            BadInitialZoneName
            BinaryFileError
```

```
ConfigBatchHoldFailed
DBReadOnlyError
IncrementalUpdateNotInTrialRun
IncrementalUpdatesDisabled
InvalidDomainName
    ReverseNamesNotAccepted
InvalidHmacType
LoginIdError
    LoginIdFormatError
    LoginIdInvalidError
MultipleReferencesFound
NoPreviousLabelParseError
NoReferenceFound
NoReplicaSgFound
NoSecTagsExist
NoSgFound
NoZoneSecTagsFound
NoZonesFound
ReferenceDoesNotExist
ReferenceExists
ReferenceFormatError
ReferenceStillUsed
ReplicaSgExists
RestoreNamedDbError
    NamedConfWriteError
    NamedStillRunning
    Net24dmdStillRunning
    PidFileAccessError
    PidFieldValueError
    ZoneFileWriteError
RrQueryDomainError
SOASerialError
    SOASerialArithmeticError
    SOASerialCandidateIgnored
    SOASerialOcclusionError
    SOASerialPublishedError
    SOASerialRangeError
    SOASerialTypeError
SecTagPermissionDenied
ServerError
    NoServerFound
    NoServerFoundByAddress
    ServerAddressExists
    ServerExists
    ServerNotDisabled
ServerSmFailure
SgExists
SgMultipleResults
SgNameRequired
SgStillUsed
    SgStillHasServers
    SgStillHasZones
UpdateError
```

```
DynDNSUpdateError
    DynDNSCantReadKeyError
    NoSuchZoneOnServerError
UpdateTypeAlreadyQueued
UpdateTypeRequired
ZiIdSyntaxError
    ZiIdAdjStringSyntaxError
    ZiIdDdMmYyyySyntaxError
    ZiIdDdSlashMmSyntaxError
    ZiIdHhMmSyntaxError
    ZiIdIsoDateSyntaxError
    ZiIdTimeAmountSyntaxError
    ZiIdTimeUnitSyntaxError
ZiInUse
ZiParseError
    HostnameZiParseError
    TtlZiParseError
ZiTextParseError
ZoneAdminPrivilegeNeeded
ZoneBeingCreated
ZoneCfgItem
    ZoneCfgItemNotFound
    ZoneCfgItemValueError
ZoneDisabled
ZoneExists
ZoneHasNoSOARecord
ZoneHasNoZi
ZoneMultipleResults
ZoneNameUndefined
ZoneNoAltSgForSwap
ZoneNotDeleted
ZoneNotDisabled
ZoneNotDnssecEnabled
ZoneNotFound
    ZiNotFound
    ZoneNotFoundByZoneId
ZoneNotPublished
ZoneParseError
    BadNameOwnerError
    BadNameRdataError
    DirectiveParseError
        HostnameParseError
        TtlInWrongPlace
        TtlParseError
    GenerateNotSupported
    IncludeNotSupported
    InvalidUpdateOperation
    LabelNotInDomain
    Not7ValuesSOAParseError
    PrivilegeNeeded
        AdminPrivilegeNeeded
        HelpdeskPrivilegeNeeded
RRNoTypeGiven
```

```

RdataParseError
RropNotSupported
SOASerialMustBeInteger
UnhandledClassError
UnhandledTypeError
UpdateTypeNotSupported
ZoneError
    DuplicateRecordInZone
    ZoneAlreadyHasSOARecord
    ZoneCNAMEExists
    ZoneCNAMELabelExists
    ZoneCheckIntegrityNoGlue
    ZoneHasNoNSRecord
    ZoneSOARecordNotAtApex
ZoneSearchPatternError
    OnlyOneLoneWildcardValid
    ReferenceMustBeGiven
ZoneSecTagDoesNotExist
    ZoneSecTagConfigError
ZoneSecTagExists
ZoneSecTagStillUsed
ZoneSmFailure
    ActiveZoneExists
    CancelEditLockFailure
    EditLockFailure
    TickleEditLockFailure
    UpdateZoneFailure
    ZoneFilesStillExist
ZoneTTLNotsetError

class ActiveZoneExists(ZoneSmFailure)
| Another zone instance is active - this one cannot be activated.

| JSONRPC Error:      -69
| JSONRPC data keys:  'name'          - domain name
| JSONRPC data keys:  'event_message' - event message
| JSONRPC data keys:  'event_results' - event results object

class AdminPrivilegeNeeded(PrivilegeNeeded)
| Administrative privilege is needed to set this RR field

| JSONRPC Error:      -26
| JSONRPC data keys:  'name'          - domain name
|                   'rr_data'        - RR data from zi, Not RDATA!
|                   'rr_groups_index' - index into rr_groups
array.
|                   'rrs_index'       - index of RR in rrs of
|                                         rr_groups

class BadInitialZoneName(DMSError)
| Name of the Zone can not be determined.

```

```
    | JSONRPC Error:      -55
    | JSONRPC data keys:  'file_name'   - file name being loaded.

class BadNameOwnerError(ZoneParseError)
    | Owner name of an A AAAA or MX record is not a valid hostname

    | JSONRPC Error:      -13
    | JSONRPC data keys:  'name'        - domain name
    |                  'rr_data'     - RR data from zi, Not RDATA!
    |                  'rr_groups_index' - index into rr_groups
array.
    |                  'rrs_index'      - index of RR in rrs of
    |                                         rr_groups
    |                  'label_thing'   - thing given as RR label

class BadNameRdataError(ZoneParseError)
    | Name in the rdata of a record is not a valid hostname

    | JSONRPC Error:      -14
    | JSONRPC data keys:  'name'        - domain name
    |                  'rr_data'     - RR data from zi, Not RDATA!
    |                  'rr_groups_index' - index into rr_groups
array.
    |                  'rrs_index'      - index of RR in rrs of
    |                                         rr_groups
    |                  'rdata_thing'   - bad RDATA of RR
    |                  'bad_name'     - bad hostname in RDATA

class BinaryFileError(DMSError)
    | Trying to load a binary file.

    | JSONRPC Error:      -39
    | JSONRPC data keys:  'file_name'   - file name

class CancelEditLockFailure(ZoneSmFailure)
    | For a DMI, can't clear edit_lock for zone.

    | JSONRPC Error:      -33
    | JSONRPC data keys:  'name'        - domain name
    | JSONRPC data keys:  'event_message' - Cancel Event Message
    | JSONRPC data keys:  'event_results' - Event results object

class ConfigBatchHoldFailed(DMSError)
    | Configuration SM Failed to enter CONFIG_HOLD for batch zone
creation
    |
    | JSONRPC Error:      -56
```

```
class DBReadOnlyError(DMSError)
| Database is in Read Only mode.

| JSONRPC Error: - 122
| JSONRPC data keys: 'exc_msg' - original exception message
|


class DMSError(net24.core.wsgi.jsonrpc_server.BaseJsonRpcError)
| Base DMS Error Exception

| JSONRPC Error: JSONRPC_INTERNAL_ERROR
|


class DirectiveParseError(ZoneParseError)

class DuplicateRecordInZone(ZoneError)
| Zone already has a record for this.

| JSONRPC Error: -20
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name' - domain name
| 'rr_data' - RR data from zi, Not RDATA!
| 'rr_groups_index' - index into rr_groups
array.
| 'rrs_index' - index of RR in rrs of
| rr_groups
|


class DynDNSCantReadKeyError(DynDNSUpdateError)
| Can't read in configured TSIG for Dynamic DNS update

| JSONRPC Error: -5
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name' - None
|


class DynDNSUpdateError(UpdateError)
| Error during update of zone

| JSONRPC Error: -4
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name' - domain name
|


class EditLockFailure(ZoneSmFailure)
| For a DMI, can't obtain an edit_lock for zone.

| JSONRPC Error: -34
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name' - domain name
| JSONRPC data keys: 'event_message' - Lock Event Message
| JSONRPC data keys: 'event_results' - Event results object
|


class GenerateNotSupported(ZoneParseError)
```

```
| Our zone parser does not support the $GENERATE statement
|
| JSONRPC Error:      -54
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name'          - domain name
|                      'rr_data'       - RR data from zi, Not RDATA!
|                      'rr_groups_index' - index into rr_groups
|
array.                                'rrs_index'           - index of RR in rrs of
|                                         rr_groups
|
|
class HelpdeskPrivilegeNeeded(PrivilegeNeeded)
| Help desk privilege is needed to set this RR field
|
| JSONRPC Error:      -27
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name'          - domain name
|                      'rr_data'       - RR data from zi, Not RDATA!
|                      'rr_groups_index' - index into rr_groups
|
array.                                'rrs_index'           - index of RR in rrs of
|                                         rr_groups
|
|
class HostnameParseError(DirectiveParseError)
| Hostname parse error while parsing zone file.
|
| JSONRPC Error:      -51
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name'          - domain name
|                      'rr_data'       - RR data from zi, Not RDATA!
|                      'rr_groups_index' - index into rr_groups
|
array.                                'rrs_index'           - index of RR in rrs of
|                                         rr_groups
|
|
class HostnameZiParseError(ZiParseError)
| Zi related SOA mname or rname value error.
|
| JSONRPC Error:      -48
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name'          - domain name
|                      'zi_field'     - ZI field where error found
|                      'value'        - value in error
|
|
class IncludeNotSupported(ZoneParseError)
| Our zone parser does not support the $INCLUDE statement
|
| JSONRPC Error:      -50
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name'          - domain name
|                      'rr_data'       - RR data from zi, Not RDATA!
|                      'rr_groups_index' - index into rr_groups
|
array.                                'rrs_index'           - index of RR in rrs of
```

rr\_groups

```
class IncrementalUpdateNotInTrialRun(DMSError)
| Error in Incremental Update mechanism. Update mechanism not in
| Trial Run Mode.

| JSONRPC Error:      JSON_RPC_INTERNAL_ERROR
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name'      - domain name

class IncrementalUpdatesDisabled(DMSError)
| Incremental Updates are disabled for this zone.

| JSONRPC Error:      -90
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name'      - domain name

class InvalidDomainName(DMSError)
| Domain name is invalid.

| JSONRPC Error:      -89
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name'      - domain name

class InvalidHmacType(DMSError)
| Invalid Hmac type given

| JSONRPC Error:      -96
| JSONRPC data keys: 'hmac_type'      - Given hmac type

class InvalidUpdateOperation(ZoneParseError)
| RR type is one we don't handle.

| JSONRPC Error:      -83
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name'      - domain name
| 'rr_data'      - RR data from zi, Not RDATA!
| 'rr_groups_index'      - index into rr_groups
array.
| 'rrs_index'      - index of RR in rrs of
| rr_groups

class LabelNotInDomain(ZoneParseError)
| FQDN Label outside of domain

| JSONRPC Error:      -12
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name'      - domain name
| 'rr_data'      - RR data from zi, Not RDATA!
| 'rr_groups_index'      - index into rr_groups
array.
| 'rrs_index'      - index of RR in rrs of
```

```
    |           rr_groups
    |           'label_thing'      - thing given as RR label
    |

class LoginIdError(DMSError)
|   DMS Error class to cover login_id exceptions
|



class LoginIdFormatError(LoginIdError)
|   A login_id can only consist of the characters '-_a-zA-Z0-9.@',
|   and must start with a letter or numeral. It also must be less than
|   512 characters long.

|   JSONRPC Error:      -124
|   JSONRPC data keys:  'login_id'  - login_id
|                      'error'     - error message
|



class LoginIdNotFoundError(LoginIdError)
|   A login_id must be given, and be less than 512 characters long.

|   JSONRPC Error:      -125
|   JSONRPC data keys:  'error'     - error message
|



class MultipleReferencesFound(DMSError)
|   Multiple references were found

|



|   JSONRPC Error:      -68
|   JSONRPC data keys:  'reference' - reference code
|



class NamedConfWriteError(RestoreNamedDbError)
|   Can't write named.conf sections

|



|   JSONRPCError:        -113
|   JSONRPC data keys:   'name'    - domain name
|                      'internal_error' - error that occurred
|



class NamedStillRunning(RestoreNamedDbError)
|   Named is still running

|



|   JSONRPCError:        -108
|   JSONRPC data keys:   'rndc_status_exit_code' - exit code from 'rndc
status'
|



class Net24dmdStillRunning(RestoreNamedDbError)
|   Net24dmd is still running

|



|   JSONRPCError:        -109
|   JSONRPC data keys:   net24dmd_pid - net24dmd PID
```

```
class NoPreviousLabelParseError(DMSError)
| No Previous Label seen. - This should not be reached in code

| JSONRPC Error:      -7
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name'   - domain name
|


class NoReferenceFound(DMSError)
| No Reference found.

| JSONRPC Error:      -67
| JSONRPC data keys: 'reference' - reference code
|


class NoReplicaSgFound(DMSError)
| For a DMI, Master SG not found

| JSONRPC Error:      -128
|


class NoSecTagsExist(DMSError)
| No zone security tags found for this domain.

| JSONRPC Error:      -45
|


class NoServerFound(ServerError)
| Server does not exist

| JSONRPC Error:      -75
| JSONRPC data keys: 'server_name'      - server name
|


class NoServerFoundByAddress(ServerError)
| Server does not exist

| JSONRPC Error:      -76
| JSONRPC data keys: 'address'        - server address
|


class NoSgFound(DMSError)
| For a DMI, requested SG not found

| JSONRPC Error:      -59
| JSONRPC data keys: 'sg_name'        - SG name
|


class NoSuchZoneOnServerError(UpdateError)
| No zone found in DNS server

| JSONRPC Error: -6
```

```

    | JSONRPC data keys: 'name'      - zone name
    |           'server'   - server hostname/address
    |           'port'     - server port

    | This exception only occurs internally in net24dmd, and dyndns_tool.
It is
    | not returned at all over HTTP JSON RPC.

    |
    | class NoZoneSecTagsFound(DMSError)
    |     No zone security tags found for this domain.

    |     JSONRPC Error:      -44
    |     JSONRPC data keys: 'name'      - domain name

    |
    | class NoZonesFound(DMSError)
    |     For a DMI, can't find the requested zones.

    |     JSONRPC Error:      -32
    |     JSONRPC data keys: 'name_pattern' - wildcard name pattern

    |
    | class Not7ValuesSOAParseError(ZoneParseError)
    |     7 fields were not supplied as required by RFC 1035

    |     JSONRPC Error:      -10
    |     JSONRPC data keys: 'name'      - domain name
    |           'rr_data'    - RR data from zi, Not RDATA!
    |           'rr_groups_index' - index into rr_groups
array.
    |           'rrs_index'      - index of RR in rrs of
    |                               rr_groups
    |           'num_soa_rdata_values' - number of SOA fields
given
    |

    | class OnlyOneLoneWildcardValid(ZoneSearchPatternError)
    |     Only one lone '*' or '%' for zone search pattern is valid

    |     JSONRPC Error:      -98
    |     JSONRPC data keys: 'search_pattern' - Zone search pattern

    |
    | class PidFileAccessError(RestoreNamedDbError)
    |     PID file format error

    |     JSONRPCError:        -111
    |     JSONRPC data keys: pid_file - PID file name
    |                           exception - Value Error Exception

    |
    | class PidFieldValueError(RestoreNamedDbError)

```

```
PID file format error

JSONRPCError:      -110
JSONRPC data keys: pid_file - PID file name
                  exception - Value Error Exception


class PrivilegeNeeded(ZoneParseError)
| Privilege is needed to set this RR field

| JSONRPC Error:      JSONRPC_INTERNAL_ERROR
| JSONRPC data keys:  'name'        - domain name
|                      'rr_data'     - RR data from zi, Not RDATA!
|                      'rr_groups_index' - index into rr_groups
array.
|                      'rrs_index'      - index of RR in rrs of
|                                         rr_groups

class RRNoTypeGiven(ZoneParseError)
| RR has no type given.

| JSONRPC Error:      -97
| JSONRPC data keys:  'name'        - domain name
|                      'rr_data'     - RR data from zi, Not RDATA!
|                      'rr_groups_index' - index into rr_groups
array.
|                      'rrs_index'      - index of RR in rrs of
|                                         rr_groups

class RdataParseError(ZoneParseError)
| Somewhere in the rdata processing (probably within dnspython)
| sense could not be made of the data

| JSONRPC Error:      -24
| JSONRPC data keys:  'name'        - domain name
|                      'rr_data'     - RR data from zi, Not RDATA!
|                      'rr_groups_index' - index into rr_groups
array.
|                      'rrs_index'      - index of RR in rrs of
|                                         rr_groups
|                      'rdata_thing'   - given invalid RDATA

class ReferenceDoesNotExist(DMSError)
| Reference does not exist.

| JSONRPC Error:      -65
| JSONRPC data keys:  'reference'   - reference code

class ReferenceExists(DMSError)
```

```
| Trying to create a reference that already exists.  
|  
| JSONRPC Error:      -64  
| JSONRPC data keys:  'reference'    - reference code  
  
class ReferenceFormatError(DMSError)  
| A reference can only consist of the characters '-_a-zA-Z0-9.@',  
| and must start with a letter or numeral. It also must be less than  
| 1024 characters long.  
|  
| JSONRPC Error:      -82  
| JSONRPC data keys:  'reference'    - reference name  
|                      'error'        - error message  
  
class ReferenceMustBeGiven(ZoneSearchPatternError)  
| When giving a zone search pattern, a reference must be given  
|  
| JSONRPC Error:      -99  
| JSONRPC data keys:  'search_pattern'    - Zone search pattern  
  
class ReferenceStillUsed(DMSError)  
| Reference is still in use  
|  
| JSONRPC Error:      -66  
| JSONRPC data keys:  'reference'    - reference code  
  
class ReplicaSgExists(DMSError)  
| A master SG already exists  
|  
| JSONRPC Error:      -114  
| JSONRPC data keys:  'sg_name'        - SG name  
|                      'replica_sg_name' - master SG name  
  
class RestoreNamedDbError(DMSError)  
| Subclass for Errors relating to restore_named_db DR functionality  
|  
class ReverseNamesNotAccepted(InvalidDomainName)  
| Reverse domain names are generated from CIDR network names.  
|  
| JSONRPC Error:      -91  
| JSONRPC data keys:  'name'        - domain name  
  
class RrQueryDomainError(DMSError)  
| For query an RR, domain cannot start with '..'  
|  
| JSONRPC Error:      -81
```

```
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name'           - domain name  
  
|  
  
class RropNotSupported(ZoneParseError)  
| Our zone parser does not support the RROP: RR flag in edit mode  
  
| JSONRPC Error: -85  
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name'           - domain name  
| 'rr_data'           - RR data from zi, Not RDATA!  
| 'rr_groups_index'   - index into rr_groups  
array.  
| 'rrs_index'          - index of RR in rrs of  
| rr_groups  
  
|  
  
class SOASerialArithmeticError(SOASerialError)  
| SOA Serial Arithmetic Error. Possibly due to memory corruption.  
  
| JSONRPC Error: -3  
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name'           - domain name  
  
|  
  
class SOASerialCandidateIgnored(SOASerialError)  
| Proposed SOA Serial Candidate ignored.  
  
| JSONRPC Error: -118  
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name'           - domain name  
  
|  
  
class SOASerialError(DMSError)  
| Ancestor for all SOA Serial arithmetic errors  
  
|  
  
class SOASerialMustBeInteger(ZoneParseError)  
| SOA serial number must be an integer value.  
  
| JSONRPC Error: -11  
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name'           - domain name  
| 'rr_data'           - RR data from zi, Not RDATA!  
| 'rr_groups_index'   - index into rr_groups  
array.  
| 'rrs_index'          - index of RR in rrs of  
| rr_groups  
| 'soa_serial_thing'   - thing given as SOA serial  
no.  
|  
  
|  
  
class SOASerialOcclusionError(SOASerialError)  
| SOA Serial Occlusion Error. SOA serial as recorded in database is  
| maximum of current SOA serial value in master DNS server.  
  
| JSONRPC Error: -115
```

```
class SOASerialPublishedError(SOASerialError)
| SOA Serial Published Error. SOA serial number update is the same
as
| published value in database.

| JSONRPC Error: -116
|


class SOASerialRangeError(SOASerialError)
| SOA Serial Number is out of range must be > 0 and <= 2**32 -1.

| JSONRPC Error: -120
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name' - domain name
|


class SOASerialTypeError(SOASerialError)
| SOA Serial Number must be an integer.

| JSONRPC Error: -121
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name' - domain name
|


class SecTagPermissionDenied(DMSError)
| Operations on security tags can only be done with Admin privilege

| JSONRPC Error: -46
| JSONRPC data keys: 'sectag_label' - security tag label
|


class ServerAddressExists(ServerError)
| Server with the given address exists

| JSONRPC Error: -77
| JSONRPC data keys: 'address' - server address
|


class ServerError(DMSError)
| Ancestor class for server functions, saves code.
|


class ServerExists(ServerError)
| Server already exists

| JSONRPC Error: -74
| JSONRPC data keys: 'server_name' - server name
|


class ServerNotDisabled(ServerError)
| Server must be disabled for operation to proceed.

| JSONRPC Error: -78
| JSONRPC data keys: 'server_name' - server name
```

```
class ServerSmFailure(DMSError)
| Server SM Failure - synchronous execution of the Server SM
| was not successful.

| JSONRPC Error: -79
| JSONRPC data keys: 'server_name'      - server name
| JSONRPC data keys: 'event_message' - Event Message
| JSONRPC data keys: 'event_results' - Event results object

class SgExists(DMSError)
| For a DMI, SG already exists

| JSONRPC Error:      -72
| JSONRPC data keys: 'sg_name'        - SG name

class SgMultipleResults(DMSError)
| For a DMI, search for one requested SG found multiple entities

| JSONRPC Error:      -58
| JSONRPC data keys: 'sg_name'        - SG name

class SgNameRequired(DMSError)
| SG Name is required for this configuration parameter

| JSONRPC Error:      -63
| JSONRPC data keys: 'config_key'     - config parameter key

class SgStillHasServers(SgStillUsed)
| For a DMI, attempted deletion, SG still has servers

| JSONRPC Error:      -95
| JSONRPC data keys: 'sg_name'        - SG name

class SgStillHasZones(SgStillUsed)
| For a DMI, attempted deletion, SG still has zones

| JSONRPC Error:      -73
| JSONRPC data keys: 'sg_name'        - SG name

class SgStillUsed(DMSError)
| Container class for SG Deleteion errors

class TickleEditLockFailure(ZoneSmFailure)
| Can't tickle the edit lock timeout event due to an incorrect
```

```
edit_lock_token

JSONRPC Error:      -35
JSONRPC data keys: 'name'           - domain name
JSONRPC data keys: 'event_message' - Timeout Event Message
JSONRPC data keys: 'event_results' - Event results object


class TtlInWrongPlace(DirectiveParseError)
| $TTL not at top of zone file.

JSONRPC Error:      -53
JSONRPC data keys: 'name'           - domain name
                   'rr_data'        - RR data from zi, Not RDATA!
                   'rr_groups_index' - index into rr_groups
array.
                   'rrs_index'       - index of RR in rrs of
                                         rr_groups


class TtlParseError(DirectiveParseError)
| Hostname parse error while parsing zone file.

JSONRPC Error:      -52
JSONRPC data keys: 'name'           - domain name
                   'rr_data'        - RR data from zi, Not RDATA!
                   'rr_groups_index' - index into rr_groups
array.
                   'rrs_index'       - index of RR in rrs of
                                         rr_groups


class TtlZiParseError(ZiParseError)
| Zi related ttl value error.

JSONRPC Error:      -49
JSONRPC data keys: 'name'           - domain name
                   'zi_field'       - ZI field where error found
                   'value'          - value in error


class UnhandledClassError(ZoneParseError)
| Unhandled class for record - we only ever do IN

JSONRPC Error:      -8
JSONRPC data keys: 'name'           - domain name
                   'rr_data'        - RR data from zi, Not RDATA!
                   'rr_groups_index' - index into rr_groups
array.
                   'rrs_index'       - index of RR in rrs of
                                         rr_groups
```

```
class UnhandledTypeError(ZoneParseError)
| RR type is one we don't handle.

| JSONRPC Error: -9
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name' - domain name
| 'rr_data' - RR data from zi, Not RDATA!
| 'rr_groups_index' - index into rr_groups
array.
| 'rrs_index' - index of RR in rrs of
| rr_groups

class UpdateError(DMSError)
| Error during update of zone

| JSONRPC Error: -2
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name' - domain name

class UpdateTypeAlreadyQueued(DMSError)
| An update of the given type is already queued for the zone

| JSONRPC Error: -86
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name' - domain name
| 'update_type' - update type

class UpdateTypeNotSupported(ZoneParseError)
| Our zone parser does not support the $UPDATE_TYPE statement in edit
mode

| JSONRPC Error: -84
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name' - domain name
| 'rr_data' - RR data from zi, Not RDATA!
| 'rr_groups_index' - index into rr_groups
array.
| 'rrs_index' - index of RR in rrs of
| rr_groups

class UpdateTypeRequired(DMSError)
| An update_type is required parameter for an incremental update.

| JSONRPC Error: -87
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name' - domain name

class UpdateZoneFailure(ZoneSmFailure)
| Can't update zone as it is locked.

| JSONRPC Error: -35
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name' - domain name
| JSONRPC data keys: 'event_message' - Timeout Event Message
```

```
| JSONRPC data keys:  'event_results' - Event results object
| JSONRPC data keys:  'zi_id' - ID of saved ZI
|
|
class ZiIdAdjStringSyntaxError(ZiIdsSyntaxError)
| ZI id adjustment sub string has invalid syntax.
|
| JSONRPC Error:      -101
| JSONRPC data keys:  'zi_id'      - given zi_id string
|
|
class ZiIdDdMmYyyySyntaxError(ZiIdsSyntaxError)
| ZI id sub string has an invalid DD/MM/YYYY date.
|
| JSONRPC Error:      -106
| JSONRPC data keys:  'zi_id'      - given zi_id string
|
|
class ZiIdDdSlashMmSyntaxError(ZiIdsSyntaxError)
| ZI id sub string has an invalid DD/MM date.
|
| JSONRPC Error:      -105
| JSONRPC data keys:  'zi_id'      - given zi_id string
|
|
class ZiIdHhMmSyntaxError(ZiIdsSyntaxError)
| ZI id sub string has an invalid HH:MM time.
|
| JSONRPC Error:      -104
| JSONRPC data keys:  'zi_id'      - given zi_id string
|
|
class ZiIdIsoDateSyntaxError(ZiIdsSyntaxError)
| ZI id sub string has an invalid YYYY-MM-DD date.
|
| JSONRPC Error:      -107
| JSONRPC data keys:  'zi_id'      - given zi_id string
|
|
class ZiIdsSyntaxError(DMSError)
| ZI id given has invalid syntax.
|
| JSONRPC Error:      -100
| JSONRPC data keys:  'zi_id'      - given zi_id string
|
|
class ZiIdTimeAmountSyntaxError(ZiIdsSyntaxError)
| ZI id sub string has invalid time amount.
|
| JSONRPC Error:      -103
| JSONRPC data keys:  'zi_id'      - given zi_id string
```

```
class ZiIdTimeUnitSyntaxError(ZiIdSyntaxError)
| Zi id sub string has an invalid time unit specifier.

| JSONRPC Error:      -102
| JSONRPC data keys: 'zi_id'      - given zi_id string


class ZiInUse(DMSError)
| Trying to delete a zi that is currently published.

| JSONRPC Error:      -38
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name'       - domain name


class ZiNotFound(ZoneNotFound)
| For a DMI, can't find the requested zi.

| JSONRPC Error:      -30
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name'       - domain name
| JSONRPC data keys: 'zi_id'      - Zone Instance ID
|                               (can be None/Null)


class ZiParseError(DMSError)
| Zi related SOA/TTL data error.

| JSONRPC Error:      JSONRPC_INTERNAL_ERROR
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name'       - domain name
|                     'zi_field'   - Zi field where error found
|                     'value'      - value in error


class ZiTextParseError(DMSError)
| Parse Error. The zone file text input as zi_text
| must be of a valid format

| JSONRPC Error:      -126
| JSONRPC data keys: 'parse_error'      - error message
|                     'name'          - domain name
|                     'lineno'        - line number
|                     'col'           - column
|                     'marked_iinput_line' - input line with marked
error
|


class ZoneAdminPrivilegeNeeded(DMSError)
| DMI has not been assigned the privilege required to edit this zone.

| JSONRPC Error:      -127
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name'       - domain name


class ZoneAlreadyHasSOARecord(ZoneError)
```

```
    | Zone already has an SOA record.

    | JSONRPC Error:      -15
    | JSONRPC data keys: 'name'          - domain name
    |                  'rr_data'        - RR data from zi, Not RDATA!
    |                  'rr_groups_index' - index into rr_groups
array.
    |                  'rrs_index'       - index of RR in rrs of
    |                                rr_groups

class ZoneBeingCreated(DMSError)
    | A zone in the creation process can not be deleted or undeleted

    | JSONRPC Error:      -62
    | JSONRPC data keys: 'name'          - domain name
    | JSONRPC data keys: 'event_message' - event message
    | JSONRPC data keys: 'event_results' - event results object

class ZoneCNAMEExists(ZoneError)
    | Zone already has a CNAME using this label.

    | JSONRPC Error:      -18
    | JSONRPC data keys: 'name'          - domain name
    |                  'rr_data'        - RR data from zi, Not RDATA!
    |                  'rr_groups_index' - index into rr_groups
array.
    |                  'rrs_index'       - index of RR in rrs of
    |                                rr_groups

class ZoneCNAMELabelExists(ZoneError)
    | Zone already has a CNAME using this label.

    | JSONRPC Error:      -19
    | JSONRPC data keys: 'name'          - domain name
    |                  'rr_data'        - RR data from zi, Not RDATA!
    |                  'rr_groups_index' - index into rr_groups
array.
    |                  'rrs_index'       - index of RR in rrs of
    |                                rr_groups

class ZoneCfgItem(DMSError)

class ZoneCfgItemNotFound(ZoneCfgItem)
    | An item with the given key name can not be found in the zone_cfg
table
    |
    | JSONRPC Error:      -61
    | JSONRPC data keys: 'key'          - item key name
```

```
class ZoneCfgItemValueError(ZoneCfgItem)
| An item with the given key name can not be interpolated from its
string

| This can happen for string -> boolean conversions

| JSONRPC Error:      -71
| JSONRPC data keys:  'key'       - item key name
| JSONRPC data keys:  'value'     - item value


class ZoneCheckIntegrityNoGlue(ZoneError)
| Record in zone does not have valid in zone glue

| JSONRPC Error:      -21
| JSONRPC data keys:  'name'      - domain name
|                      'rr_data'    - RR data from zi, Not RDATA!
|                      'rr_groups_index' - index into rr_groups
array.
|                      'rrs_index'      - index of RR in rrs of
|                                         rr_groups


class ZoneDisabled(DMSError)
| Zone disabled. Can't do operation.

| JSONRPC Error:      -88
| JSONRPC data keys:  'name'      - domain name


class ZoneError(ZoneParseError)
| Zone related resource record error.

| JSONRPC Error:      JSONRPC_INTERNAL_ERROR
| JSONRPC data keys:  'name'      - domain name
|                      'rr_data'    - RR data from zi, Not RDATA!
|                      'rr_groups_index' - index into rr_groups
array.
|                      'rrs_index'      - index of RR in rrs of
|                                         rr_groups


class ZoneExists(DMSError)
| Trying to create a zone that already exists

| JSONRPC Error:      -36
| JSONRPC data keys:  'name'      - domain name


class ZoneFileWriteError(RestoreNamedDbError)
| Can't write zone file
```

```
| JSONRPCError:      -112
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name'   - domain name
|                   'internal_error' - error that occurred
|
|
| class ZoneFilesStillExist(ZoneSmFailure)
|   Can't destroy/nuke a zone as its zone files still exist
|
|   JSONRPC Error:      -70
|   JSONRPC data keys: 'name'           - domain name
|   JSONRPC data keys: 'event_message' - Event Message
|   JSONRPC data keys: 'event_results' - Event results object
|
|
| class ZoneHasNoNSRecord(ZoneError)
|   Zone has No NS records.
|
|   JSONRPC Error:      -23
|   JSONRPC data keys: 'name'           - domain name
|                   'rr_data'        - RR data from zi, Not RDATA!
|                   'rr_groups_index' - index into rr_groups
array.
|                   'rrs_index'       - index of RR in rrs of
|                                         rr_groups
|
|
| class ZoneHasNoSOARecord(DMSError)
|   Zone has No SOA record.
|
|   JSONRPC Error:      -22
|   JSONRPC data keys: 'name'           - domain name
|
|
| class ZoneHasNoZi(DMSError)
|   For a Zone, no ZI has no candidate or published ZI
|
|   JSONRPC Error: - 92
|   JSONRPC data keys: 'name'   - domain name
|
|
| class ZoneMultipleResults(DMSError)
|   For a DMI, search for one requested zone found multiple entities
|
|   JSONRPC Error:      -57
|   JSONRPC data keys: 'name'           - domain name
|
|
| class ZoneNameUndefined(DMSError)
|   Name of the Zone can not be determined.
|
|   JSONRPC Error:      -47
|   JSONRPC data keys: 'file_name'    - file name being loaded.
```

```
class ZoneNoAltSgForSwap(DMSError)
| Zone idoes not have an alternate SG for swapping

| JSONRPC Error:      -123
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name'           - domain name
|



class ZoneNotDeleted(DMSError)
| Trying to destroy a zone that is active

| JSONRPC Error:      -37
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name'           - domain name
|



class ZoneNotDisabled(DMSError)
| Zone disabled. Can't do operation.

| JSONRPC Error:      -94
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name'           - domain name
|



class ZoneNotDnssecEnabled(DMSError)
| Zone is not DNSSEC enabled.

| JSONRPC Error:      -60
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name'           - domain name
|



class ZoneNotFound(DMSError)
| For a DMI, can't find the requested zone.

| JSONRPC Error:      -28
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name'           - domain name
|



class ZoneNotFoundByZoneId(ZoneNotFound)
| For a DMI, can't find the requested zone.

| JSONRPC Error:      -29
| JSONRPC data keys: 'zone_id'        - Zone ID
|



class ZoneNotPublished(DMSError)
| Zone Not Published. Can't poke DNS server.

| JSONRPC Error: -117
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name'   - domain name
|



class ZoneParseError(DMSError)
| Parent class for zi RR errors
```

```
| JSONRPC Error:      JSONRPC_INTERNAL_ERROR
| JSONRPC data keys:  'name'          - domain name
|                      'rr_data'        - RR data from zi, Not RDATA!
|                      'rr_groups_index' - index into rr_groups
|
array.                                'rrs_index'           - index of RR in rrs of
|                                         rr_groups
|
|
class ZoneSOARecordNotAtApex(ZoneError)
| Zone already has an SOA record.
|
| JSONRPC Error:      -16
| JSONRPC data keys:  'name'          - domain name
|                      'rr_data'        - RR data from zi, Not RDATA!
|                      'rr_groups_index' - index into rr_groups
array.                                'rrs_index'           - index of RR in rrs of
|                                         rr_groups
|
|
class ZoneSearchPatternError(DMSError)
| Given zone search pattern is invalid
|
|
class ZoneSecTagConfigError(ZoneSecTagDoesNotExist)
| Zone security tag for DMS server does not exist.
|
| JSONRPC Error:      -42
| JSONRPC data keys:  'sectag_label' - security tag label
|
|
class ZoneSecTagDoesNotExist(DMSError)
| Zone security tag does not exist.
|
| JSONRPC Error:      -41
| JSONRPC data keys:  'sectag_label' - security tag label
|
|
class ZoneSecTagExists(DMSError)
| Trying to create a security tag that already exists.
|
| JSONRPC Error:      -40
| JSONRPC data keys:  'sectag_label' - security tag label
|
|
class ZoneSecTagStillUsed(DMSError)
| Zone security tag is still in use
|
| JSONRPC Error:      -43
| JSONRPC data keys:  'sectag_label' - security tag label
```

```
class ZoneSmFailure(DMSError)
| Zone SM Failure - synchronous execution of the Zone SM
| was not successful.

| JSONRPC Error: -80
| JSONRPC data keys: 'name' - domain name
| JSONRPC data keys: 'event_message' - Event Message
| JSONRPC data keys: 'event_results' - Event results object

class ZoneTTLNotSetError(DMSError)
| The zone ttl needs to be set in the RR database row

| JSONRPC Error: -1
| JSONRPC data keys: 'rr_id' - Resource Record ID
```

# System Documentation

## Auto Reverse PTRs

With the advent of IPv6, reverse zone management is recommended to only contain real machine names, instead of macro generated addresses. The IPv6 reverse format for ip6.arpa. is sub-domain per nibble, which is real squirrel brain food, and will literally drive you dotty.

When provisioning a new network block, the first thing to do is to set up a reverse zone, with inc\_updates enabled. The auto PTR update operations are considered part of the incremental updates mechanism.

```
zone_tool > create_zone 2001:db8:1:2:3::/52 inc_updates
zone_tool . create_zone -r nuts@SQUIRREL-NZ my-new.zone.org
zone_tool > edit_zone my-new.zone.org
.
.
.
@ IN AAAA 2001:db8:1:2:3::1
.
.
.
zone_tool > show_zone 2001:db8:1:2:3::1
.
.
.
;! REF:nuts@SQUIRREL-NZ
0.0.0.0.0.0.0.0.0.1 IN PTR my-new.zone.org.
.
.
.
zone_tool >
```

All zones instances saved have the auto PTR data collected from AAAA records, and upon request from IPv4 A records . A privilege evaluation based on the forward zones reference string, the reference string against any existing reverse and reverse zone and sectag is then performed to determine if the reverse zone is allowed to be updated.

Only the 'Admin' sectag can give auto reverse like tha above automatically. Customer DMIs dont' have that privilege . Customer DMIs can only update a PTR record if the reference for the customer domain and the PTR record match, or if the domain reference matches the reverse zone's reference.

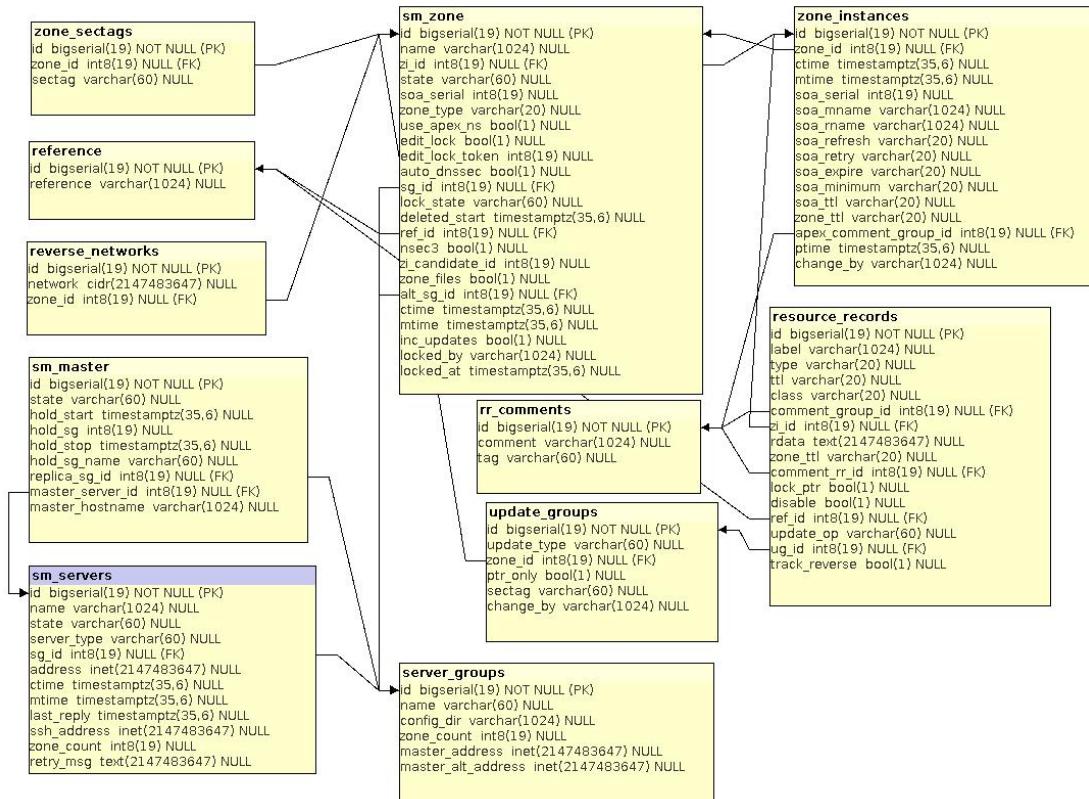
The reverse zone tables are looked up in CIDR fashion when it comes to auto-reverse PTR operations. Thus we can delegate a more specific reverse block than our IPv6 /32 to a customers XDSL connection, and they can manage the reverse space themselves from their forward domain. This CIDR functionality is also used from zone\_tool to save on brain mashing. You can give an IP address to show/edit a reverse zone, and an exact network block for zone creation and zone config setting, and zone deletion.

If a reverse record does not exist yet, and the privilege checks pass, the PTR record is created from the first AAAA record seen. The FORCEREV RR flag can be used for create a PTR for an IPv4 A record. Also, a FORCREV RR flag may be used to force an update to a new value, and a TRACKREV RR flag to make the PTR record to update on each forward zone save.

The RR flags used on PTR records are REF: to delegate management operations, and LOCKPTR to prevent a reverse record from ever being altered by the auto reverse mechanism. This can be set on our main mail server and DNS server PTR records.

## DB Schema - Zone Diagram

[Zone Table structure.jpg](#)



## DMS Central config

The DMS central configuration stored in the DMS database is displayed with the show\_config command. It contains various 'default\_' settings used during zone creation, DMS vacuuming, and apex record creation and refreshment.

```
zone_tool > show_config
    auto_dnssec:          false
    default_ref:          anathoth
    default_ssg:          anathoth-external
    default_stype:        bind9
    edit_lock:            true
    event_max_age:        120.0
    inc_updates:          false
    nsec3:                true
    soa_expire:           7d
    soa_minimum:          10m
    soa_mname:            ns1.anathoth.net. (anathoth-external)
    soa_mname:            ns1.internal.anathoth.net. (anathoth-internal)
    soa_refresh:          600
    soa_retry:             600
    soa_rname:             matthewgrant5.gmail.com.
    syslog_max_age:       120.0
    use_apex_ns:          true
    zi_max_age:            90.0
    zi_max_num:             25
    zone_del_age:          0.0
    zone_del_pare_age:     90.0
    zone_ttl:              24h
zone_tool >
```

The entries shown above can be set using the set\_config command:

```

zone_tool > help set_config
      Set DB Configuration settings:

      set_config [-g sg_name] [sg_name] <key> <value>
      sg_name          sg_name for soa_mname
      Key can be one of:
      default_sg       Default Server Group
      default_ref      Default reference for created zones
      auto_dnssec     Boolean defaults used during initial zone creation
      edit_lock
      inc_updates
      nsec3
      use_apex_ns
      soa_mname        Used during initial zone creation
      soa_rname
      soa_refresh
      soa_retry
      soa_expire
      soa_minimum
      soa_ttl
      zone_ttl
      event_max_age   Defaults used when vacuuming deleted zones,
      syslog_max_age events, syslog messages and old zis.
      zi_max_num
      zi_max_age
      zone_del_age    0 turns off deleted zone aging via vacuum_*
      zone_del_pare_age 0 turns off zone zi paring to 1 via vacuum_*

zone_tool > set_config auto_dnssec false
zone_tool >

```

## DNSSEC and DMS

The DMS backend supports DNSSEC operations. If the keys are created for a domain on the disk via the dns-createzonekeys command as root, then a DNSSEC enabled domain can either be created, or if the zone exists it can be DNSSEC enabled. The keys created by the shell script are NSEC3 and NSEC capable, of algorithm NSEC3RSASHA1. The keys created have no expiration date. The DS material is in the /var/lib/bind/ds directory, with the keys in /var/lib/bind/keys directory.

```

shalom-ext: -root- [/var/lib/bind/keys]
# dns-createzonekeys omg.blah.net
+ rm -f '/var/lib/bind/keys/Komg.blah.net.*'
+ rm -f /var/lib/bind/ds/omg.blah.net
+ dnssec-keygen -3 -r /dev/random -f KSK -K /var/lib/bind/keys omg.blah.net
Generating key pair.....+++  

.....+++  

.....+++

```

```
Komg.blah.net.+007+56550
+ dnssec-dsfromkey -2 /var/lib/bind/keys/Komg.blah.net.+007+56550.key
+ dnssec-keygen -3 -r /dev/random -K /var/lib/bind/keys omg.blah.net
Generating key pair.....+++++
.....+++++
Komg.blah.net.+007+30722
+ set +x

shalom-ext: -root- [/var/lib/bind/keys]
# zone_tool
Welcome to the zone_tool program. Type help or ? to list commands.

zone_tool > create_zone omg.blah.net auto_dnssec edit_lock
.
.
.

zone_tool > show_zonesm omg.blah.net
      name:          omg.blah.net.
      alt_ssg_name:  None
      auto_dnssec:   True
      ctime:         Fri Sep  7 15:32:18 2012
      deleted_start: None
      edit_lock:     True
      edit_lock_token: None
      inc_updates:   False
      lock_state:    EDIT_UNLOCK
      locked_by:    None
      mtime:         Fri Sep  7 15:32:18 2012
      nsec3:         True
      reference:    anathoth
      soa_serial:   2012090705
      ssg_name:     anathoth-external
      state:        PUBLISHED
      use_apex_ns:  True
      zi_candidate_id: 102843
      zi_id:        102843
      zone_id:      101523
      zone_type:    DynDNSZoneSM

      zi_id:        102843
      change_by:    root@shalom-ext.internal.anathoth.net/Admin
      ctime:         Fri Sep  7 15:32:18 2012
      mtime:         Fri Sep  7 15:32:40 2012
      ptime:         Fri Sep  7 15:32:40 2012
      soa_expire:   7d
      soa_minimum:  10m
      soa_mname:    ns1.anathoth.net.
      soa_refresh:  600
      soa_retry:    600
      soa_rname:    matthewgrant5@gmail.com.
      soa_serial:   2012090705
      soa_ttl:      None
      zone_id:      101523
```

```

        zone_ttl:          24h
zone_tool >
zone_tool > show_zone omg.blah.net
$TTL 24h
$ORIGIN omg.blah.net.

;

; Zone:      omg.blah.net.
; Reference: anathoth
; change_by: root@shalom-ext.internal.anathoth.net/Admin
; zi_id:    102843
; zi_ctime: Fri Sep  7 15:32:18 2012
; zi_mtime: Fri Sep  7 15:32:40 2012
; zi_ptime: Fri Sep  7 15:32:40 2012
;

; | Apex resource records for omg.blah.net.
;!REF:anathoth
@           IN      SOA      ( ns1.anathoth.net. ;Master
NS                               matthewgrant5@gmail.com.

;RP email
                           2012090705 ;Serial
yyyymmddnn
                           600      ;Refresh
                           600      ;Retry
                           604800 ;Expire
                           600

;Minimum/Ncache
                           )
                           IN      NS      ns3.anathoth.net.
                           IN      NS      ns2.anathoth.net.
                           IN      NS      ns1.anathoth.net.

zone_tool >

shalom-ext: -root- [/var/lib/bind/ds]
# cat omg.blah.net
omg.blah.net. IN DS 56550 7 2
2B2BFD4C06AF0B2CC3CFC6995555B05A1562A62D4A73C59148AFE582 CACEAE6F

```

NSEC3 non-walkable NX Domain processing can be selected for the zone by using the zone\_tool set\_zone command.

```
zone_tool > set_zone omg.blah.net nsec3
zone_tool >
```

which takes the same flags as the create\_zone command.

- For NSEC3, the secondary servers must be capable of calculating NX responses to queries. Bind 9.6.3 ESRV and up are compatible with this requirement.

If the DS material for a domain needs to be recreated, use the dns-recreates command.

```
shalom-ext: -root- [/var/lib/bind/keys]
# dns-recreates anathoth.net
+ dnssec-dsfromkey -2 /var/lib/bind/keys/Kanathoth.net.+007+57318.key
+ set +x
```

## etckeeper and /etc on Replica and Master Servers

### etckeeper and ssh

etckeeper is a tool to keep the contents of /etc in a git VCS. When combined with ssh and the appropriate git remote setup with cron, it allows the /etc of the other machine in the master/replica DR pair to be kept on its alternate, and vice-versa. This protects against the /etc on the master being updated, the replica being missed, and then finding that things aren't working on the replica when the master dies, with no record of the updates needed to machine configuration. For information on etckeeper usage, see /usr/share/doc/etckeeper/README.gz Example for diffing/checking out /etc/racoon/racoon-tool.conf from other machine:

```
dms3-master:/etc# git diff dms4-dr/master racoon/racoon-tool.conf
dms3-master:/etc# git checkout dms4-dr/master racoon/racoon-tool.conf
dms3-master:/etc# git checkout HEAD racoon/racoon-tool.conf
```

- Be careful with the git checkout operation as missing the trailing path argument will cause /etc to be changed to that of the other machine.

You can diff parts of etc against the other machine:

```

dms-master-chc: -root- [/etc]
# git diff dms-master-akl/master bind

diff --git a/bind/rndc.conf b/bind/rndc.conf
index 0b0d600..22f85c8 100644
--- a/bind/rndc.conf
+++ b/bind/rndc.conf
@@ -8,20 +8,14 @@ options {
};

-server dms-master-chc {
-    addresses { 2406:3e00:1001:1::2 port 953; };
-    key "remote-key";
-};
-
-
server dms-master-akl {
    addresses { 2406:1e00:1001:1::2 port 953; };
    key "remote-key";
};

-server dms-ns2-chc {
-    addresses { 2406:3e00:1001:2::2 port 953; };
+server dms-master-chc {
+    addresses { 2406:3e00:1001:1::2 port 953; };
        key "remote-key";
};

@@ -32,3 +26,9 @@ server dms-ns1-akl {
};

+server dms-ns2-chc {
+    addresses { 2406:3e00:1001:2::2 port 953; };
+    key "remote-key";
+};
+
+

```

as well as checking out a directory/file so that it is same as on the other machine

```

dms-master-chc: -root- [/etc]
# git checkout dms-master-akl/master bind/named.conf.options

```

Use 'etckeeper commit' to commit to the repository, and 'git fetch' on the other machine.

```

dms-master-chc: -root- [/etc]
# etckeeper commit
.
.
.
dms-master-akl: -root- [/etc]
# git fetch dms-master-chc

```

Note that in the /etc git repository, the revision trees for both of the machines are not connected together history wise, but they are very similar due to being installed from the same Linux distribution and package lists. So you have 2 completely separate trees in each git repository.

## Event Queue Inspection

The zone\_tool event queue inspection commands are:

show_event <event-id>	Given an event ID, show the contents of the event
ls_pending_events [-v]	List all pending events
ls_failed_events [-v] [n]	List last n failed events, by default 25
ls_events [-v] [n]	List n events in queue in reverse order, by default 25
fail_event <event-id>	Manually fail an event

The -v switch is for verbose output.

### Listing Pending Events

This is probably the most used. By default it returns all the pending events. This is useful when you want to check when the MasterSM is going to time out of HOLD, a server is to be reconfigured or a Zone is to be reconfigured in named.conf. The example below displays the usual ServerSMCheckServer events, and then the result in the event queue of zone\_tool reconfig\_all.

```

zone_tool > ls_pending_events
ServerSMCheckServer      shalom-dr          Tue Nov 13 14:39:07 2012
ServerSMCheckServer      dns-slave0         Tue Nov 13 14:44:15 2012
ServerSMCheckServer      dns-slave1         Tue Nov 13 14:46:13 2012
ServerSMCheckServer      en-gedi-auth       Tue Nov 13 14:43:04 2012
ServerSMCheckServer      shalom-ext         Tue Nov 13 14:43:19 2012
zone_tool > reconfig_all
zone_tool > ls_pending_events -v
ServerSMCheckServer 896877           NEW
  dns-slave0
  Tue Nov 13 14:36:02 2012  Tue Nov 13 14:44:15 2012  --
ServerSMCheckServer 896878           NEW
  dns-slave1
  Tue Nov 13 14:36:20 2012  Tue Nov 13 14:46:13 2012  --
ServerSMCheckServer 896879           NEW
  en-gedi-auth
  Tue Nov 13 14:37:00 2012  Tue Nov 13 14:43:04 2012  --
ServerSMCheckServer 896880           NEW
  shalom-ext
  Tue Nov 13 14:37:49 2012  Tue Nov 13 14:43:19 2012  --
ServerSMCheckServer 896881           NEW
  shalom-dr
  Tue Nov 13 14:39:09 2012  Tue Nov 13 14:45:18 2012  --
MasterSMAllReconfig 896882           NEW
  Tue Nov 13 14:39:15 2012  Tue Nov 13 14:39:15 2012  --
zone_tool > ls_pending_events
ServerSMCheckServer      dns-slave0         Tue Nov 13 14:44:15 2012
ServerSMCheckServer      dns-slave1         Tue Nov 13 14:46:13 2012
ServerSMCheckServer      en-gedi-auth       Tue Nov 13 14:43:04 2012
ServerSMCheckServer      shalom-ext         Tue Nov 13 14:43:19 2012
ServerSMCheckServer      shalom-dr          Tue Nov 13 14:45:18 2012
ServerSMConfigChange     shalom
ServerSMConfigChange     en-gedi-auth       Tue Nov 13 14:39:23 2012
ServerSMConfigChange     shalom-ext         Tue Nov 13 14:39:23 2012
ServerSMConfigChange     shalom-dr          Tue Nov 13 14:39:23 2012
ServerSMConfigChange     dns-slave0         Tue Nov 13 14:39:23 2012
ServerSMConfigChange     dns-slave1         Tue Nov 13 14:39:23 2012
MasterSMHoldTimeout
zone_tool >

```

## **Listing failed events**

Here is an example of how to list failed events

## **Importing, Nuking, and Destroying Zones**

Zone\_tool has a number of commands to enable the import of single zones, single ZIs and multiple zones from a single directory(load\_zone, load\_zone\_zi, load\_zones), as well as the nuke\_zones command to remove incorrect imports from the DMS DB.

The zone\_tool destroy\_zone command can also be used to erase a single zone by its zone\_id once it is deleted,

and its named zone files flushed by the net24dmd daemon. The vacuum\_zone/vacuum\_all commands will immediately DELETE the zones from the DB once the named zone files and configuration are cleaned up on the DMS master server.

- i When importing zones, take care to specify the correct SECTAG inc\_updates, and SG group for the zones.

The -f flag can be given for use from scripts with these zone\_tool commands. The load\_zones command will continue to import other zones if a parse error occurs for some of the zones. Error messages for each incorrect zone file will be printed to stdout, including line number, for correction and subsequent import. Zone\_tool load\_zones expects that the file name for the zone is the actual exact domain name. Thus:

```
grantma@dms3-master:~/net24-test-zones/registerdirect$ zone_tool load_zones
-f **** Zone file '30seconds.co.nz': zone '30seconds.co.nz.' already
exists.
*** Zone file 'abelsoftware.com': zone 'abelsoftware.com.' already
exists.
*** Zone file 'aegmeansbusiness.co.nz': zone
'aegmeansbusiness.co.nz.' already exists.
*** Zone file 'aipshop.co.nz': zone 'aipshop.co.nz.' already exists.
*** Zone file 'altaine.com': zone 'altaine.com.' already exists.
*** Zone file 'alternative-essentials.co.nz': zone 'alternative-
essentials.co.nz.' already exists.
*** Zone file 'anameg.co.nz': zone 'anameg.co.nz.' already exists.
^Cgrantma@dms3-master:~/net24-test-zones/registerdirect$
grantma@dms3-master:~/net24-test-zones/registerdirect$ ^C
grantma@dms3-master:~/net24-test-zones/registerdirect$ zone_tool nuke_zones
-f *
```

The zone import code uses the same file parsing code that is used from the zone\_tool edit\_zone command. The net24.dms.zone\_parser module is a complete enough implementation of the RFC 1035 and RFC 1034 zone file formats. All the RFC \$ directives are parsed, and unsupported directives rejected with clear error messages.

The JSON RPC mechanism also supports zone file format import operations, along with zone file based editing operations. This is so that the plesk zone file editor can be easily integrated with the system.

## Master and DR Replica Setup

The master servers for the DMS are primarily a pair of servers, with the master of the pair operating named as the DNS master server for all zones, running net24dmd, and running the master PostgreSQL DMS database. The replica of the pair operates a BIND DNS slave server of all the zones, and PostgreSQL in hot standby mode.

Upon failure of the DMS master, the replica's named can be restarted as the master DNS server, PostgreSQL promoted to full master, and net24dmd started.

The above fail-over is achieved by manually running the dms\_promote\_replica script on the replica server. The master server can be taken off line using the dms\_master\_down script (the dms\_master\_up script reverses this operation). After the master has been taken down, it can be restarted as the master replica by using the dms\_start\_as\_replica script.

The settings for the dms\_ scripts are in the /etc/net24/dr-settings.sh file. The full list of the DMS fail over scripts is:

DMS DR script	Function
dms_master_down	Manually take master down
dms_master_up	Manually bring master up from above operation
dms_promote_replica	Promote replica server to master
dms_start_as_replica	Restart/start a machine as a replica
dms_pg_basebackup	Component operation - create PG host standby replica data base
dms_write_recovery_conf	Component operation - create PG recovery.conf file
dms_update_wsgi_dns	Component operation - update DMS failover CNAME record

```

shalom-ext: -root- [/home/grantma]
# dms_master_down
Stopping interface: dummy0.
+ do_dms_drif
+ [ -n dummy0 ]
+ return 0
+ perl -pe s/^($IF_AUTO.* )\s+dummy0(.*)$/\1\2/g -i
/etc/netscript/network.conf
+ perl -pe s/^($IF_AUTO=")dummy0\s+($.*)/\1\2/g -i
/etc/netscript/network.conf
+ do_dms_wsgi
+ return 1
+ perl -pe s/^([^\#].*zone_tool vacuum_all)$/#\1/ -i /etc/cron.d/dms-core
+ set +x
[ ok ] Stopping net24dmd: net24dmd.
[ ok ] Stopping domain name service...: bind9.
+ perl -pe s/^($local7.* :ompgsql:\S+,dms,rsyslog,.*)$/#\1/ -i
/etc/rsyslog.d/pgsql.conf
+ set +x
[ ok ] Stopping enhanced syslogd: rsyslogd.
[ ok ] Starting enhanced syslogd: rsyslogd.
[ ok ] Stopping PostgreSQL 9.1 database server: dms.
+ perl -pe s/^NET24DMD_ENABLE=.*/NET24DMD_ENABLE=false/ -i
/etc/default/net24dmd
+ perl -pe s/^OPTIONS=.*/OPTIONS="-u bind -c
\\etc\\bind\\named-dr-slave.conf"/ -i /etc/default/bind9

shalom-ext: -root- [/home/grantma]
.
.
.
root@shalom-dr:/home/grantma# dms_promote_replica
+ perl -pe s/^#(\s*local7.* :ompgsql:\S+,dms,rsyslog,.*)$/\1/ -i
/etc/rsyslog.d/pgsql.conf
+ set +x
[ ok ] Stopping enhanced syslogd: rsyslogd.

```

```
[ ok ] Starting enhanced syslogd: rsyslogd.
+ perl -pe s/^NET24DMD_ENABLE=.*/$NET24DMD_ENABLE=true/ -i
/etc/default/net24dmd
+ perl -pe s/^OPTIONS=.*/$OPTIONS="-u bind"/ -i /etc/default/bind9
+ set +x
[....] Stopping domain name service...: bind9waiting for pid 27511 to die
. ok
[ ok ] Starting domain name service...: bind9.
[....] Starting net24dmd: net24dmd***   DB in Read Only mode -
(InternalError) cannot execute INSERT in
      a read-only transaction  'INSERT INTO update_groups (update
failed!
+ zone_tool write_rndc_conf
+ zone_tool reconfig_all
+ perl -pe s/^#+(.zone_tool vacuum_all)$/\1/ -i /etc/cron.d/dms-core
+ do_dms_wsgi
+ return 1
+ set +x
+ perl -pe s/^(\IF_AUTO=.*)"$/\1 dummy0"/g -i /etc/netscript/network.conf
+ set +x
Configuring interface: dummy0.
root@shalom-dr:/home/grantma#
.
.
.
shalom-ext: -root- [/home/grantma]
# dms_start_as_replica
dms_start_as_replica: Will replicate from 'shalom-dr.anathoth.net'
Operation will destroy all data Proceed? (y/N)y
dms_start_as_replica: replicating from 'shalom-dr.anathoth.net'
341707/341707 kB (100%), 1/1 tablespace
[ ok ] Stopping net24dmd: net24dmd.
+ do_dms_drif
+ [ -n dummy0 ]
+ return 0
+ perl -pe s/^(IF_AUTO.* )\s+dummy0(.*)/\1\2/g -i
/etc/netscript/network.conf
+ perl -pe s/^(IF_AUTO=")dummy0\s+(.*)/\1\2/g -i
/etc/netscript/network.conf
+ do_dms_wsgi
+ return 1
+ perl -pe s/^(\local7.* :ompgsql:\S+,dms,rsyslog,.*)/#\1/ -i
/etc/rsyslog.d/pgsql.conf
+ perl -pe s/^([^\#].zone_tool vacuum_all)$/#\1/ -i /etc/cron.d/dms-core
+ perl -pe s/^NET24DMD_ENABLE=.*/$NET24DMD_ENABLE=false/ -i
/etc/default/net24dmd
+ perl -pe s/^OPTIONS=.*/$OPTIONS="-u bind -c
\etc\bind\named-dr-slave.conf"/ -i /etc/default/bind9
+ set +x
[ ok ] Starting PostgreSQL 9.1 database server: dms.
[ ok ] Starting domain name service...: bind9.
```

```
shalom-ext: -root- [/home/grantma]
#
```

At any time, the status of the cluster can be displayed on any of the Master servers (running and replicas) using the zone\_tool show\_dms\_status command.

```
zone_tool > show_dms_status

show_master_status:

MASTER_SERVER: shalom-ext

NAMED master configuration state:

hold_sg: HOLD_SG_NONE
hold_sg_name: None
hold_start: None
hold_stop: None
replica_sg_name: anathoth-replica
state: READY

show_replica_sg:
    sg_name: anathoth-replica
    config_dir: /etc/bind/anathoth-master
    master_address: 2001:470:f012:2::2
    master_alt_address: 2001:470:f012:2::3
    replica_sg: True
    zone_count: 14

Replica SG named status:
shalom-dr 2001:470:f012:2::3

OK

ls_server:
dns-slave0 Thu Nov  8 12:04:25 2012 OK
              2001:470:c:110e::2           111.65.238.10
              ping: 5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0.00% packet loss
dns-slave1  Thu Nov  8 12:01:58 2012 OK
              2001:470:66:23::2           111.65.238.11
              ping: 5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0.00% packet loss
en-gedi-auth Thu Nov  8 12:08:05 2012 OK
              fd14:828:ba69:6:5054:ff:fe39:54f9  172.31.12.2
              ping: 5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0.00% packet loss
shalom      Thu Nov  8 12:04:12 2012 OK
              fd14:828:ba69:1:21c:f0ff:fefa:f3c0  192.168.110.1
              ping: 5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0.00% packet loss
shalom-dr   Thu Nov  8 12:04:46 2012 OK
              2001:470:f012:2::3           172.31.10.4
              ping: 5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0.00% packet loss
shalom-ext  Thu Nov  8 12:04:12 2012 OK
```

```
2001:470:f012:2::2                               172.31.10.2
ping: 5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0.00% packet loss
```

```
list_pending_events:
ServerSMCheckServer      dns-slave1           Thu Nov  8 12:11:25
2012
ServerSMCheckServer      shalom-ext          Thu Nov  8 12:12:15
2012
ServerSMCheckServer      shalom              Thu Nov  8 12:13:47
2012
ServerSMCheckServer      dns-slave0           Thu Nov  8 12:14:23
2012
ServerSMCheckServer      shalom-dr           Thu Nov  8 12:14:19
2012
ServerSMCheckServer      en-gedi-auth        Thu Nov  8 12:15:58
2012
```

```
zone_tool >
```

## Master server SM, and Reconfiguration

At its core, DMS has a master server state machine (MasterSM) which is used to drive the ServerSM state machines via each SG. The master status can be shown via show\_master\_status:

```
zone_tool > show_master_status

MASTER_SERVER:      shalom-ext

NAMED master configuration state:

hold_sg:            HOLD_SG_NONE
hold_sg_name:       None
hold_start:         None
hold_stop:          None
replica_sg_name:   anathoth-replica
state:              READY
zone_tool >
```

It drives the 10 minute rndc cycle for the DMS master DNS server and all slaves. It has 2 states, HOLD and READY.

```

zone_tool > show_master_status

MASTER_SERVER:      shalom-ext

NAMED master configuration state:

hold_sg:            HOLD_SG_NONE
hold_sg_name:       None
hold_start:         Thu Nov  8 12:58:37 2012
hold_stop:          Thu Nov  8 13:08:37 2012
replica_sg_name:   anathoth-replica
state:              HOLD

zone_tool > ls_pending_events
ServerSMCheckServer    dns-slave0           Thu Nov  8 12:59:17
2012
ServerSMCheckServer    shalom               Thu Nov  8 13:00:57
2012
ServerSMCheckServer    en-gedi-auth        Thu Nov  8 13:01:26
2012
ServerSMCheckServer    shalom-dr           Thu Nov  8 13:02:29
2012
ServerSMCheckServer    dns-slave1          Thu Nov  8 13:02:06
2012
ServerSMCheckServer    shalom-ext          Thu Nov  8 13:04:29
2012
ServerSMConfigChange   shalom               Thu Nov  8 12:58:42
2012
ServerSMConfigChange   en-gedi-auth        Thu Nov  8 12:58:42
2012
ServerSMConfigChange   shalom-ext          Thu Nov  8 12:58:42
2012
ServerSMConfigChange   shalom-dr           Thu Nov  8 12:58:42
2012
ServerSMConfigChange   dns-slave1          Thu Nov  8 12:58:42
2012
ServerSMConfigChange   dns-slave0           Thu Nov  8 12:58:42
2012
MasterSMHoldTimeout    Thu Nov  8 13:08:37
2012
zone_tool >

```

During the hold state, any reconfiguration requests will be honoured for either all SGs, or partially for one SG. That is what is tracked via the hold\_sg and hold\_sg\_name fields displayed above. The hold\_start and hold\_stop fields are time stamps for start and end of a HOLD period. After a HOLD, and during READY any configuration change for named will immediately happen, followed by the HOLD rndc wait period.

The reconfig\_all command reconfigures ALL SGs, replicas and slaves. reconfig\_master, only the master DNS server, reconfig\_replica\_sg, the replica SG group consisting of the DMS master server and all replicas. And last but

not least reconfig\_sg <sg-name> reconfigures one SG. These command configure all the name server configuration for the DNS servers involved in the DNS server network. For example for ISC BIND named, this is the named.conf contents.

The following is log of a zone\_tool terminal session demonstrating the reconfig commands. Note how the hold\_sg changes as one SG, replica SG, being individually reconfigured, and full reconfiguration. The scope of the reconfigure is stored if the Master SM is in HOLD, escalated if needed, and then performed after the MasterSMHoldTimeout event exits the HOLD state.

- ❶ If the MasterSMHoldTimeOut event goes missing, the HOLD state will not be exited. This evidence of this is that hold\_start and hold\_stop are both in the past. A zone\_tool reset\_master command will be needed to restart the Master State Machine (MasterSM)

```
zone_tool > help reconfig_master

        Reconfigure master DNS server: reconfig_master

        Reconfigures the master DNS server via 'rndc reconfig'

zone_tool > help reconfig_replica_sg

        Reconfigure the Replica SG's DNS servers:

        reconfig_replica_sg

        Rsyncs DNSSEC key material to all DR replicas, and reconfigure all
the
        DR replica named processes.

zone_tool > reconfig_master
zone_tool > show_master_status

        MASTER_SERVER:      shalom-ext

        NAMED master configuration state:

        hold_sg:            HOLD_SG_NONE
        hold_sg_name:       None
        hold_start:         Thu Nov  8 12:11:22 2012
        hold_stop:          Thu Nov  8 12:21:22 2012
        replica_sg_name:   anathoth-replica
        state:              HOLD

zone_tool > reconfig_replica_sg
zone_tool > show_master_status

        MASTER_SERVER:      shalom-ext

        NAMED master configuration state:

        hold_sg:            14
        hold_sg_name:       anathoth-replica
```

```

hold_start:      Thu Nov  8 12:11:22 2012
hold_stop:       Thu Nov  8 12:21:22 2012
replica_sg_name: anathoth-replica
state:          HOLD
zone_tool > ls_pending_events
ServerSMCheckServer    shalom-ext           Thu Nov  8 12:12:15
2012
ServerSMCheckServer    shalom               Thu Nov  8 12:13:47
2012
ServerSMCheckServer    dns-slave0          Thu Nov  8 12:14:23
2012
ServerSMCheckServer    shalom-dr            Thu Nov  8 12:14:19
2012
ServerSMCheckServer    en-gedi-auth         Thu Nov  8 12:15:58
2012
MasterSMHoldTimeout   Thu Nov  8 12:21:22
2012
ServerSMCheckServer    dns-slave1          Thu Nov  8 12:18:38
2012

zone_tool >
.
.
.
zone_tool > reconfig_sg anathoth-internal
zone_tool > ls_pending_events
ServerSMCheckServer    dns-slave1          Thu Nov  8 12:28:33
2012
ServerSMCheckServer    shalom-ext           Thu Nov  8 12:26:07
2012
ServerSMCheckServer    dns-slave0          Thu Nov  8 12:26:11
2012
MasterSMHoldTimeout   Thu Nov  8 12:31:26
2012
ServerSMCheckServer    shalom               Thu Nov  8 12:29:35
2012
ServerSMCheckServer    shalom-dr            Thu Nov  8 12:31:43
2012
ServerSMCheckServer    en-gedi-auth         Thu Nov  8 12:33:26
2012
zone_tool > show_master_status

MASTER_SERVER:      shalom-ext

NAMED master configuration state:

hold_sg:          8
hold_sg_name:     anathoth-internal
hold_start:       Thu Nov  8 12:21:26 2012
hold_stop:        Thu Nov  8 12:31:26 2012
replica_sg_name: anathoth-replica
state:          HOLD
zone_tool >
```

```
.  
. .  
  
zone_tool > show_master_status  
  
MASTER_SERVER: shalom-ext  
  
NAMED master configuration state:  
  
hold_sg: HOLD_SG_NONE  
hold_sg_name: anathoth-internal  
hold_start: Thu Nov 8 12:31:32 2012  
hold_stop: Thu Nov 8 12:41:32 2012  
replica_sg_name: anathoth-replica  
state: HOLD  
  
zone_tool > reconfig_all  
zone_tool > show_master_status  
  
MASTER_SERVER: shalom-ext  
  
NAMED master configuration state:  
  
hold_sg: HOLD_SG_ALL  
hold_sg_name: None  
hold_start: Thu Nov 8 12:31:32 2012  
hold_stop: Thu Nov 8 12:41:32 2012  
replica_sg_name: anathoth-replica
```

```

state:          HOLD
zone_tool >

```

## Named.conf and Zone Templating

On all the servers in the DMS system, the DNS server configuration is designed to use include files and per zone templates. The master and replica servers are bind9 only, but the DMS is designed to support different types of DNS servers (configured as slave servers) such as nsd3, as well as bind9.

To simplify the authentication for the DNS servers, the network connection between the master and replica/slave servers is encrypted and integrity protected by using IPSEC. This enables the bind9 ACLs to be specified by IP address only, simplifying the configuration segments that need to be generated for the DNS replica/slave servers.

The include files are generated on the master, rsynced to all the servers, and then the servers are reconfigured via rndc or by a local daemon on the server stating the rsynced include file. If one of the servers gets compromised, it can be cut off by disabling its IPSEC connection or halting it.

/etc/bind/rsync-config	slaves and replicas	named.conf include segments
/etc/bind/master-config	master	Master named.conf include segment
/etc/net24/server-admin-config/bind9	master	named.conf segments for bind9 slaves. Separate segments for controls, logging, options and local. zone_tool rsync_server_admin_config distributes these portions out.
/etc/net24/server-config-templates	master	Zone templates for replicas and slaves. See below.
/etc/net24/master-config-templates	master	zone templates for running master named.conf
/etc/net24/config-templates	master	rndc.conf templates for creating /etc/bind/rndc.conf, and TSIG key template for zone_tool tsig_key_generate
/var/lib/net24/dms-sg	master	Per SG include dirs for configuration segments to be rsynced.
/etc/bind/named-dr-replica.conf	replicas	Slave named configuration for replicating running master /var/lib/bind/dynamic zone database. Contains DNSSEC RRSIG and other non-database bind9 master data that should be replicated

/var/lib/net24/dms-sg	master	Per SG include dirs for configuration segments to be rsynced.
/var/lib/bind/dynamic	master and replicas	Named DNS dynamic database. Contains DNS cryptographic data that should be replicated between master servers. Replicated via Replica slave named process.
/var/cache/bind/slave	All slaves	Slave zone cache database.

i All the directories listed above for the master should be manually synchronised with the all replicas for reliable fail over.

In all the following templates, the keys used are the ones given in the files. They are of the Python string %/sprintf form '%(key\_name)s'

Master named.conf include templates in /etc/net24/master-config-templates are:

auto-dnssec-config.conf	DNSSEC dynamic DNS zone template
dynamic-config.conf	dynamic DNS zone template
server-acl.conf	template for server ACLs
slave-config.conf	Slave DNS zone template - not used
static-config.conf	Static zone template - not used

Server named.conf include templates in /etc/net24/server-config-templates and segments are:

bind9.conf	Bind9 slave zone template
bind9-replica.conf	Bind9 replica zone template

Nsd3 server zone config templates would have 'nsd3' in their name.

Administration server named.conf segments in /etc/net24/server-admin-config/bind9 are:

controls.conf	Controls segment of named.conf. Used to control rndc access
logging.conf	Logging named.conf segment. Configures named to log to local7 facility.
options.conf	Options include segment. Needs to be included as it is better to manually specify listen-on directives on each individual server
rndc-remote.key	Rndc remote key used in /etc/bind/rndc.conf on masters, and in controls.conf above.

The above segments are free form, and can be rearranged. No fields are filled in from net24dmd.

Miscellaneous templates in /etc/net24/config-templates are:

rndc.conf-header	Top of rndc.conf. Contains default settings and key includes
rndc.conf-server	Per server rndc.conf template
tsig.key	zone_tool tsig_key_generate TSIG key template

## Netscript, Iptables and Filtering Incoming IPSEC

As the servers over seas and across other networks are connected to using IPSEC transport mode to secure the zone traffic for business confidentiality and competition reasons, and for ease of named.conf configuration, the incoming traffic has to be filtered on the DMS master server. The IPSEC Security Policy Database is not stateful, and is just IP address based when it comes to multiple ports being opened, especially many to one in both directions. If one of the slaves is compromised the SPD cannot prevent any one on that host from connecting back to any port on the Master DMS servers. The SPD can only really deal with many to one port type IPSEC relationships.

Netscript-2.4 is one of my tools for managing network configuration and iptables under Debian. It uses iptables-save/iptables-restore with roll back. It is inspired by my experience with programming routers, in terms of interface manipulation and IP filtering. It replaces ifupdown, which is probably fundamentally broken according to the router RFC1812 in terms of interface manipulation and addressing (pseudo-device concept for each address, whereas kernel complies with this.)

The network configuration is in /etc/netscript/network.conf. This file is actually sourced as a shell script by /sbin/netscript. IP addresses are set in the eth0\_IPADDR variable, with IF\_AUTO specifying the interfaces brought up on boot.

The netscript command has the following help:

```
dms-chc: -root- [/etc/net24/conf-templates]
# netscript
Usage: netscript start|stop|reload|restart
       netscript ifup|ifdown|ifqos|ifreload
           {eth0|dms0|dms1|gre0|sit0|all}
       netscript compile [-fqh] [-b max-backup-level]
Usage: netscript ipfilter load|clear|fairq|flush|fwd|nofwd|reload|save
       usebackup [backup-number]
       netscript ipfilter exec
Configure|FORWARD|INPUT|icmpfwd|icmphost|inbrdr|ingress|ingrssfwd|ipfwd|ipl
c1|laptopfw|log|martians|outbrdr|portscan|smb|snmp
           [chain p1 p2 ...]
Usage: netscript ip6filter load|clear|fairq|flush|fwd|nofwd|reload|save
       usebackup [backup-number]
       netscript ip6filter exec icmphost|laptopfw|log
           [chain p1 p2 ...]
```

as well as man pages. The netscript ipfilter/ip6filter verbs are the ones used to save and load/reload the firewall configuration. The iptables files are saved as /etc/netscript/iptables{,.1,.2,.3} and /etc/netscript/ip6tables{,.1,.2,.3}.

The number of roll back files can be altered in the network.conf file. The netscript ipfilter exec creates a chain of the given name, with addresses and networks possibly given as variables in network.conf. ICMP host and router grooming packet chains are there. For ICMPv6 I did:

```
# netscript ip6filter exec icmphost
# netscript ip6filter exec log
```

which created chains I could hook into INPUT to groom ICMP for the host, and at the end of INPUT to log all no-accepted traffic. The log chain has a rate-limiter applied to save on runaway syslog messages.

iptables/ip6tables commands are used directly to configure the kernel Netfilter filters. The iptables -I (insert), -R (replace) arguments take a line number after the filter name. The line numbers can be printed by specifying --line-numbers to iptables -vnL <chain-name>

netscript ipfilter examples are:

```
dms-chc: -root- [/etc/net24/conf-templates]
# netscript ip6filter save
Saving IPv6 filters...done.

dms-chc: -root- [/etc/net24/conf-templates]
# netscript ipfilter save
Saving IPv4 filters...done.

dms-chc: -root- [/etc/net24/conf-templates]
# netscript ipfilter usebackup 2
Loading IPv4 filters...done.

dms-chc: -root- [/etc/net24/conf-templates]
# netscript ip6filter usebackup 2
Loading IPv6 filters...done.

dms-chc: -root- [/etc/net24/conf-templates]
# netscript ip6filter reload
Loading IPv6 filters...done.

dms-chc: -root- [/etc/net24/conf-templates]
# netscript ipfilter reload
Loading IPv4 filters...done.

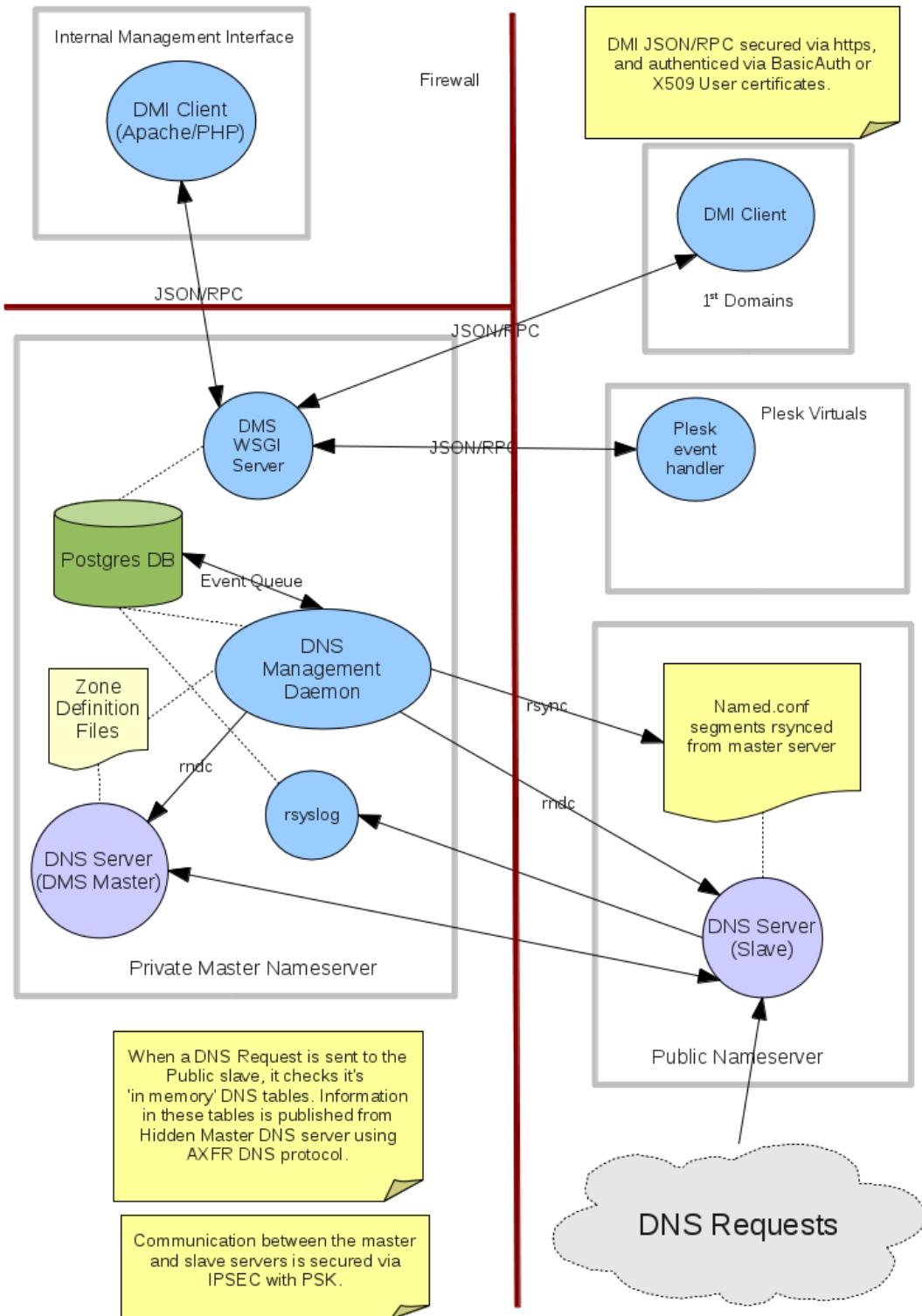
dms-chc: -root- [/etc/net24/conf-templates]
#
```

## Overview

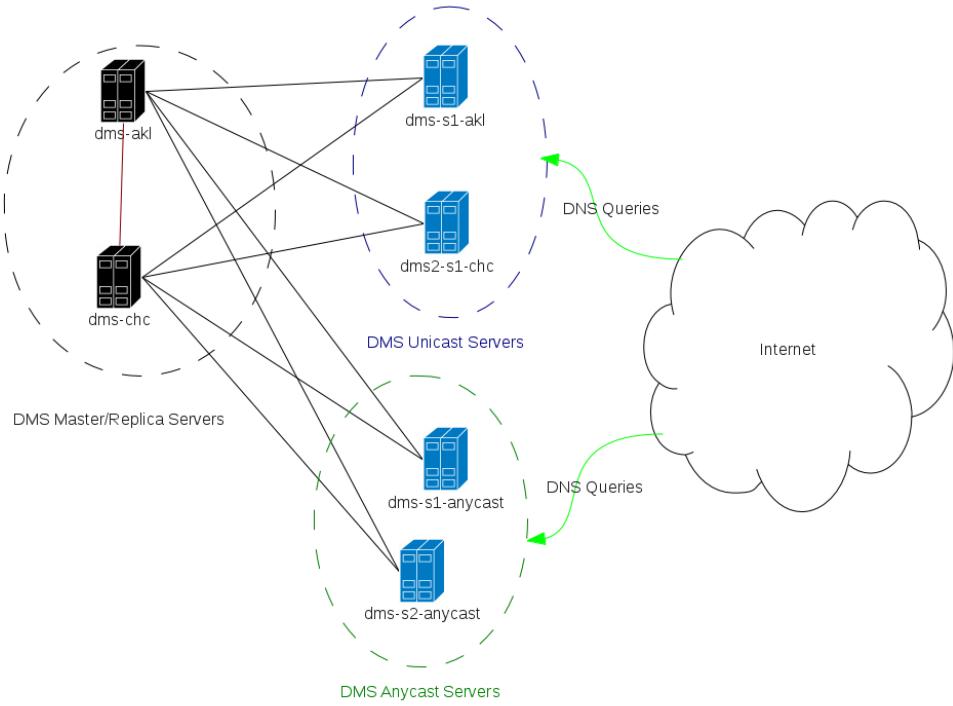
## Software Architecture

### Architecture Diagram

**Only one of the DR replica pairs is shown below for clarity.**  
**The standby replica runs as a server of the replica SG group.** PostgreSQL Replication is also live to the DR replica, carried over the IPSEC connection between the DR master and replica servers. The master/replica servers use iptables/ip6tables to filter access to services carried over IPSEC.



Conceptual Network Diagram



The DMS is designed to support anycast and unicast servers, as per [best practise guidelines](#)

## DMS Features

- IPv6 fully supported in back end and front end
- IPv6 DNS RRs (AAAA)
- Dynamic DNS configuration of Master server reduces need for reconfig and reload operations.
- DNS RRs supported include SOA NS A AAAA MX PTR TXT SPF RP SSHFP SRV NSAP NAPTR LOC KX IPSECKEY HINFO CERT DS. DNSSEC handled by bind9 master
- Auto DNSSEC via Bind9 dynamic DNS. Bind9 master server auto maintains zone DNSSEC operations records and signing. NSEC3 and NSEC supported. DNSSEC key management on Master server file system pending write of key management module. Key material directory is replicated via DR protocol (rsync) though. DMS is fully enabled to use DNSSEC for securing our core domains.
- Apex resource record (SOA and NS) management across all zones - can be turned off per zone.
- Auto reverse PTR generation
- Customer control of their own automated reverse DNS. Individual PTR records, and complete reverse zones. Useful for business IPv6 and IPv4 blocks. Enables on site use of IP PABX, intranet and email for SMBs on XDSL/Fibre.
- zone\_tool command line administrative tool on master servers
- IPSEC secured communications between each of DR master replicas and slaves
- Modular design. For example, Racoon IPSEC can be replaced if needed.
- Multiple Slave DNS server software implementations. NL Netlabs nsd3 can be used as a slave server once backend code is completed, and a simple configuration monitoring/HUP daemon implemented to run on each slave.
- slave server/Server Groups (SG) support. Live migration of zones.
- Private SGs for internal Voyager/NET24 zones.
- Retention of deleted zones in database for aged auto-deletion later.
- Multiple Zone Instances per Zone. Roll forward and roll back changes. Again old ZIs aged for auto deletion above a threshold number.

- Templates used for generating name server configuration includes - master, replicas and slaves.
- Rsync to distribute name server configuration to servers.
- Central distribution of name server configuration segments.
- Hot standby master replica for DR purposes with manually controlled fail over. Includes automatic replica/slave server reconfiguration.
- WSGI JSON RPC over HTTPS API for multiple front ends
- Security tags to control what front ends can see
- Zone reference metadata to tag the zone with the owner/customer entity ID. Set by DMI when a zone is created. Tag out of table in DB via foreign key for easy reference renaming.
- zone\_tool has built in pager support and editor support via standard shell environment variables.
- zone\_tool has a configurable restricted shell mode for Help Desk use
- RR Groups and RR comments supported in DB for use in text editor and in Web Admin DMI
- zone\_tool has colourised diff support to display changes between different ZIs for a zone
- Vim can be used as zone tool editor, giving DNS colourised Zone file syntax highlighting.

## **Programming Language**

The DMS backend software is written in Python 3.x, which is a good choice given the code base size of 22,000 lines. Python is well suited to larger projects, and fully object oriented, and very clear and systematically defined. Python 3.x was chosen over 2.x for future proofing.

The Python JSON RPC interface is implemented with Apache2 mod\_wsgi, with a back end DNS Manager Daemon. zone\_tool is a command line shell environment that implements all the functionality of the JSON RPC calls, as well as DMS systems configuration and management functionality. This common code functionality allows the JSON RPC calls to be called from a terminal, where a debugger can be used, for ease of development.

A state machine and event queue design is used, with state and event information recorded in PostgreSQL. State machines exist for each:

- DNS zone to track life-cycle state of zone
- Master server configuration
- DNS replica/slave server configuration and reload cycles.

## **DNS server software**

Decided to go forward using ISC Bind 9 as DNSSEC is on the way, and Bind 9 will be the software used to roll this out. Other implementations of DNS software exist, Netlabs NL NSD3 is one, but it looks more suited to a TLD registry and large site/domain use than for DNS Provider use for small zones.

The DNS server state machine classes are designed so that NL Netlabs nsd 3.x can be added latter on as a slave server. This is done achieved by the use of state machine design, object oriented code and modularity.

A Hidden Master DNS architecture is implemented, with a DR replica master server.

## **Backend Database.**

PostgreSQL 9.1+. PostgreSQL has a significant history of high end functionality including transactions and stored procedures. Replication is also baked in as well.

## **DMI Server/Clients**

1st Domains will communicate with DMS via the WSGI server, along with the Net24 front page. An administrative help desk DNS Management Interface is being implemented. To begin with, the DMS will be administered via

zone\_tool by ssh into the Master DMS system.

## Network protocols and security

DNS and logging traffic between the slave servers outside Net24 is be secured using IPSEC. Iptables filtering and IPSEC SAs are used to control the traffic that the slave servers accept from the network and Internet. IPSEC SAs exist for zone update and port 53 administrative traffic, and secure that traffic. Ie, DNS Traffic from the Master DNS server will be secured using IPSEC. This keeps all the cryptographic verbiage out of the DNS server configurations, and makes them a lot simpler to generate from templates. IP numbers and acls may need to be inserted in the named.conf files to identify the designation of administrative control and updates from the Master DNS server, but this is a lot easier than having to track of lot of configuration details about TSIG/SIG0 keys for each individual master-slave relationship, and where they are used....

## Web UI Framework.

The Web GUI for the DMI will be rendered using ExtJS. Check logic, and business logic will be separated out and not mixed in (as much as possible) with the UI. This is basically a Model View Controller programming model.

## Python WSGI and JSON/RPC over HTTPS

The interface between the DMS Web servers and the DMS server is a Web service. The DMI servers talk JSON/RPC over HTTPS to the DMS running master server. Failover is handled by a CNAME dms-server.failover.vygr.net, which is updated by the dms\_promote\_replica script. The HTTP connections are integrity protected by SSL, and use HTTP basic auth to authenticate to the URL attachment upon the DMS server, which is configured with that DMIs sectag.

The web service is set up as a Python3 WSGI script, running under apache [mod\\_wsgi](#). WSGI is defined in [PEP 3333](#). The WSGI scripts are configured to run in separate apache2 daemon processes. The hook point URLs are as follows:

/list_zone	Just for listing all zones. For Admin DMI use only
/admin_dms	Admin DMS access point. For systems administrators/NOC
/helpdesk_dms	Helpdesk DMS access point
/1stdomains_dms	1st Domains customer DMS access point.
/net24_dms	Net24 customer DMS access point

## WSGI configuration files and directories

All of these files are in the /etc tree to comply with Debian configuration policy.

/etc/net24/dms-wsgi-apache.conf	Apache 2 Debian style include file
/etc/net24/wsgi-scripts	WSGI scripts
/etc/net24/htpasswd-dms	Apache 2 htpasswd file for DMS basic authentication

The /etc/net24/dms-wsgi-apache.conf contains all the apache2 configuration for the URL hook points and basic authentication in Location directives, as well as defining the mod\_wsgi daemon processes for each type of access. The list\_zone access for the administrator and helpdesk DMIs uses a separate daemon to the rest as it allocates lots of memory each time it is run, and has to die off quickly to prevent resource consumption. The rest of the RPC

call profile is for only per zone or small listing requests each time, and these are configured into longer running daemon processes, with far more threads.

The RSS memory of the apache daemons should be monitored, as this is where a memory leak problem is most likely to occur in the system. Zone\_tool hardly uses any memory, as it is typically not a long running process.

Net24dmd uses server side data base cursors and self monitors its RSS usage. If the configured memory\_exec\_threshold of 250MB is exceeded, it will re exec() itself when once the event queue is empty, thus releasing all the sparsely allocated RSS memory.

## Racoon and IPSEC

The IPSEC part of the application stack is done using racoon. Any IPSEC IKE daemon that does the job can be used, and another possibility would be Strongswan.

The reasons for using racoon are:

- compatibility cross platform, FreeBSD, NetBSD and Linux
- protocol compatibility, both IPv6 and IPv4
- historically the native IPSEC IKE and key management tools for NetBSD, FreeBSD, and Linux
- historically native IPv6 and IPv4, as they are from the KAME project.
- maturity
- strongswan later implementation. Originally Linux only. Not as fully tested with IPv6 as racoon/setkey. Not too sure about its cross platform capabilities.

On the DMS, racoon-tool is used to wrap racoon and setkey. This is a Perl script that has been ported to FreeBSD, and is software I originally wrote to help make racoon more manageable for VPN network use. It was inspired in part by FreeSWAN, but it has a sensible set of defaults such as hmac-sha1, AES/3DES. Most things you need to configure for run of the mill IPSEC can be done with it. Can do PSK and X509 certificate authentication.

When installing in Debian, choose racoon-tool configuration mode. racoon-tool is made to operate as an Init.d script would. Its configuration is in /etc/racoon/racoon-tool.conf, with a directory /etc/racoon/racoon-tool.conf.d for configuration segments. Once the %default is set in racoon-tool.conf, it only takes a PSK added to /etc/racoon/psk.txt and 5 lines in a configuration segment to get one end of an IPSEC connection configured.

Racoon directories and files:

/etc/racoon	Racoon configuration
/etc/racoon/racoon-tool.conf	Master racoon-tool configuration file
/etc/racoon/racoon-tool.conf.d	Racoon-tool per segment configuration directory
/var/lib/racoon/racoon.conf	racoon-tool generated racoon.conf

The racoon-tool segment configuration directory could be used for a shell script to automate adding a new DNS slave server quickly.

racoon-tool has a full man page and has an entry README.Debian:

```
racoон-tool
-----
racoон-tool is back. It is a management script that simplifies looking
after
setkey SPD rules, and basic racoon.conf on a connection oriented basis. It
now functions in transport mode and tunnel mode, with anonymous VPN
service,
and supports PSK/X509 authentication and IPv6. It should also function on
the
FreeBSD kernel.
```

```
Yes, racoon-tool is debian specific, upstream doesn't like it, it does
have all the features when compared to racoon.conf(5). If you're interested
in
using the latest and greatest feature in racoon, and advanced functionality
use /etc/racoон/racoон.conf directly.
```

Here is a sample racoon-tool.conf from dms-chc:

```
#
# Configuration file for racoon-tool
#
# See racoon-tool.conf(5) for details
#
global:
    # How to control the syslog level
    log: notify

connection(%default):
    # source address on this box
    src_ip: 2406:3e00:1001:1::2
    admin_status: disabled
```

with a racoon-tool.conf.d segment dms-akl.conf

```
peer(2406:1e00:1001:1::2):

connection(dms-akl):
    dst_ip: 2406:1e00:1001:1::2
    admin_status: enabled
```

racoон-tool will print out a summary of its sub commands if -h or no arguments are given. It follows the bread crumbs idea so that you can easily find your way through it. Useful sub commands are:

vlist	List all VPN connections
vup	start a VPN connection
vdown	stop a vpn connection
vreload	reload a connection
vmenu	Start VPN menu management mode. Lists all connections in SPD, and you can shut down VPN connections from here.
start	Initialize kernel SPD, and start racoon
stop	Stop racoon, and flush SPD
reload	Reload SPD and reload racoon
restart	Restart everything.

## References

A reference is a customer and organisation identity string that is taken by the DMS when a domain is initially created. It is used to track the zones belonging to a customer for listing and for auto reverse record operations. Sample references are as follows:

reference	description
24866@1STDOMAINS-NZ	Customer ID for 1st Domains, made of account number and 1STDOMAINS-NZ
anathoth	Anathoth reference
NET24-NZ	Default Net24 reference
VOYAGERNET-NZ	Default Voyager reference

To the DMS they are just a string, conforming loosely to the format requirements for an email address or domain. They are case insensitive for comparison and searching purposes, but keep their case when saved. In the DB, they are assigned using foreign keys and ref\_id - in other words, they are easily renamed. They are enough like an email address so that accountants and customers find them digestible for accounting purposes, but don't finish in a valid domain so that people know they are not straight email addresses.

The zone\_tool commands for references are:

create_reference	create a reference
delete_reference	delete a reference
lsref/ls_reference	list references Can take wild cards, and multiple reference arguments
rename_reference	rename a reference
set_zone_reference	Set the reference for a zone to an existing reference.

The create\_zone and ls zone\_tool commands take a -r argument to either set/create the reference a new zone belongs to, and to show only the zones for a reference. The show\_zone command will display the reference as a

REF: RR flag against the SOA record. The load\_zone commands also take the -r argument, and recognize the !REF: SOA RR flag to set the reference for the zone being loaded.

## Security Tags (sectags)

Sectags are used to control what is visible and changeable from a particular DMI front end. They are also used when evaluating whether an auto reverse operation can be carried out or not. Zone\_tool and the administrative DMIs use the 'Admin' sectag if it is not set in the database, it is implied. The Sectags are NEVER changeable from a non-administrative DMI, and customer DMIs will never be configured with the WSGI calls to access them or list them. They will only be visible to a non-administrative DMI via the changed\_by or locked\_by attributes of a zone.

Each zone has a list of sectags attached. The DMIs do not use sectags at all with the WSGI JSON API. A separate administrative only call must be given to return the sectags for a zone. A zone may have multiple sectags, so that it can be accessed from 2 or more customer DMI front ends.

A zone has its initial sectag added when it is created. It is set to the sectag for the DMI it comes from.

Authorisation is defined by the exact HTTPS URI for the JSON /RPC over http. The sectag is defined in the Python WSGI script attached to the URI.

As the DMS system is a central point for a lot of administrative information, it has to be more secure than the Web servers in front of it. Because of this the authentication and security code has to be separate from any part of the DMS implementation, widely used, and reviewed. Nginx requires authentication scripts to be written, and at the time of implementation could not define basic authentication in combination with URI Location access lists within its configuration file. With Apache, this code already exists, along with a comprehensive WSGI module that is similar to the Fast CGI model.

The zone\_tool commands to do with sectags are as follows:

add_zone_sectag	Add a security tag to a zone
create_sectag	Create a new sectag
delete_sectag	Delete a sectag. It must not be attached to any zones
delete_zone_sectag	Delete a security tag from a zone
replace_zone_sectags	Replace the whole list of sectags for a zone
show_sectags	Show defined sectags
show_zone_sectags	Show the sectag list for a zone

## Servers (replica & slave) and Server Groups (SGs)

### Servers

In the DMS, servers (replicas and slaves) are defined with a human name, an IP address(v6 or v4), and the SG the server belongs to. Each server has a configuration state machine, which tracks if the the server is up to date for all the zones in its SG.

The commands to use with servers are create\_server, delete\_server, ls\_slave, ls\_server, show\_server,

show\_server\_byaddr, enable\_server, disable\_server, rename\_server, move\_server\_sg, set\_server\_address, set\_server\_ssh\_address, reset\_server, set\_server\_type. Type 'help <command>' at the zone\_tool prompt to get a full description of arguments and switches that are usable with these commands.

Other commands used when setting up a server are write\_rndc\_conf, and rsync\_server\_admin\_config

When a slave is created in DMS, it is disabled for the creation of a new rndc config, and so that initial configuration of the slave via rsync can be sent, and the rsync/rndc hookup can be tested by using the rsync\_admin\_config command. Details of this are in [Adding a DNS Slave to DMS](#)

Some examples:

```
zone_tool > ls_server -jv
dns-slave0           Thu Nov  8 14:22:55 2012      OK
    2001:470:c:110e::2          111.65.238.10
        ping: 5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0.00% packet loss
dns-slave1           Thu Nov  8 14:19:38 2012      OK
    2001:470:66:23::2          111.65.238.11
        ping: 5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0.00% packet loss
en-gedi-auth         Thu Nov  8 14:16:23 2012      OK
    fd14:828:ba69:6:5054:ff:fe39:54f9      172.31.12.2
        ping: 5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0.00% packet loss
shalom               Thu Nov  8 14:18:57 2012      OK
    fd14:828:ba69:1:21c:f0ff:fefa:f3c0      192.168.110.1
        ping: 5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0.00% packet loss
shalom-dr            Thu Nov  8 14:23:10 2012      OK
    2001:470:f012:2::3          172.31.10.4
        ping: 5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0.00% packet loss
shalom-ext            Thu Nov  8 14:20:35 2012      OK
    2001:470:f012:2::2          172.31.10.2
        ping: 5 packets transmitted, 5 received, 0.00% packet loss
zone_tool > show_server en-gedi-auth
    server_name:      en-gedi-auth
    address:          fd14:828:ba69:6:5054:ff:fe39:54f9
    ctime:            Sat Feb 25 18:19:12 2012
    is_master:        False
    last_reply:       Thu Nov  8 14:16:23 2012
    mtime:            None
    server_id:        15
    server_type:      bind9
    sg_id:             8
    sg_name:          anathoth-internal
    ssh_address:      172.31.12.2
    state:            OK
    zone_count:       28
    retry_msg:
        None
zone_tool > disable_server en-gedi-auth
zone_tool > show_server en-gedi-auth
    server_name:      en-gedi-auth
    address:          fd14:828:ba69:6:5054:ff:fe39:54f9
    ctime:            Sat Feb 25 18:19:12 2012
```

```
is_master:      False
last_reply:    None
mtime:         None
server_id:     15
server_type:   bind9
sg_id:          8
sg_name:       anathoth-internal
ssh_address:  172.31.12.2
state:         DISABLED
zone_count:    28
retry_msg:
               None
zone_tool > enable_server en-gedi-auth
zone_tool > enable_server en-gedi-auth
*** Event ServerSMEnable(892463) failed - ServerAlreadyEnabled:
           server already enabled
zone_tool > show_server en-gedi-auth
server_name:   en-gedi-auth
address:       fd14:828:ba69:6:5054:ff:fe39:54f9
ctime:         Sat Feb 25 18:19:12 2012
is_master:     False
last_reply:    Thu Nov  8 14:24:37 2012
mtime:         None
server_id:     15
server_type:   bind9
sg_id:          8
sg_name:       anathoth-internal
ssh_address:  172.31.12.2
state:         OK
zone_count:    28
retry_msg:
```

```
None  
zone_tool >
```

## Server Groups (SGs)

The Server Groups would ideally be of 4 servers each (configured as DNS slaves), handling about 100,000 zones. Once the first SG is full up, a second SG should be started. Rebalancing the SGs by moving zones between them is possible, but the registries would have to have their DNS server settings updated at the same time.

Each zone can have an alternate SG to its primary one, for the purposes of republishing the zone into a private SG consisting of RFC1989 and IPv6 fc::/7 site local addresses (IPv6 equivalent of IPv4 RFC 1918 private addressing).

Each SG has a configured:

- set of Apex name servers, and soa\_mname for the purpose of setting the Apex NS records for Zones for which it is the primary SG.
- set of apex\_ns records via the edit\_apex\_ns command, an soa\_mname via set\_config -g <soa-mname> soa\_mname <mname>
- master\_address of the master DMS server
- master\_alt\_address of the main DMS DR replica

```
zone_tool > show_replica_sg  
    sg_name:          anathoth-replica  
    config_dir:       /etc/bind/anathoth-master  
    master_address:  2001:470:f012:2::2  
    master_alt_address: 2001:470:f012:2::3  
    replica_sg:      True  
    zone_count:     14  
  
    Replica SG named status:  
        shalom-dr           2001:470:f012:2::3  
  
    OK  
zone_tool >
```

SGs are created using the create\_sg command. Other zone\_tool commands are ls\_sg, reconfig\_sg, reconfig\_replica\_sg, refresh\_sg, set\_sg\_config, set\_sg\_master\_address, set\_sg\_alt\_master\_address, set\_sg\_replica\_sg, show\_sg, and show\_master\_sg.

### Alternate SG for Zone

**In addition to the primary SG that a zone belongs to, it may be a member of an alternate SG for the purposes of migration to a new set of DNS slave servers, or publication in a private SG. A zone never has its Apex records set to those of its alternate SG, the Apex records are always set from a zone's primary SG.**

## Moving Zones between SGs

Zones may be moved between SGs via the dupe\_zone\_alt\_sg command, one hour later the swap\_zone\_sg command (to ensure that the zone is flooded to all servers to cover all possible values of NS records during apex changeover), followed by the delete\_zone\_alt\_sg command 24 hours later.

The first two commands add the new SG as an alternate SG, and then swap the zone's primary and alt SGs

```
zone_tool > dupe_zone_alt_sg bad-thing.org

Set the alternate sg for a zone:

dupe_zone_alt_sg <zone> <sg-name>

This is useful if you want to include an external zone on
in (for example) a private internal SG group behind a firewall.

zone_tool > dupe_zone_alt_sg bad-thing.org anathoth-internal
zone_tool > show_zonesm bad-thing.org
  name:          bad-thing.org.
  alt_sg_name:   anathoth-internal
  auto_dnssec:  False
  ctime:        Thu Aug 23 14:54:07 2012
  deleted_start: None
  edit_lock:    True
  edit_lock_token: None
  inc_updates:  False
  lock_state:   EDIT_UNLOCK
  locked_by:    None
  mtime:        Thu Aug 30 09:11:45 2012
  nsec3:        True
  reference:   anathoth
  soa_serial:  2012082300
  sg_name:     anathoth-external
  state:       PUBLISHED
  use_apex_ns: True
  zi_candidate_id: 102602
  zi_id:        102602
  zone_id:      101449
  zone_type:    DynDNSZoneSM

  zi_id:        102602
  change_by:   grantma@shalom-ext.internal.anathoth.net/Admin
  ctime:        Thu Aug 23 14:54:07 2012
  mtime:        Thu Aug 30 09:40:32 2012
  ptime:        Thu Aug 30 09:40:32 2012
  soa_expire:  7d
  soa_minimum: 600
  soa_mname:   ns1.anathoth.net.
  soa_refresh: 600
  soa_retry:   600
```

```
soa_rname:      matthewgrant5.gmail.com.
soa_serial:    2012082300
soa_ttl:        None
zone_id:        101449
zone_ttl:      24h

.
.

1 hour later

.

zone_tool > swap_zone_sg bad-thing.org
***   Do really you wish to do this?
--y/[N]> y

zone_tool > show_zonesm bad-thing.org
      name:          bad-thing.org.
      alt_sg_name:  anathoth-external
      auto_dnssec:  False
      ctime:        Thu Aug 23 14:54:07 2012
      deleted_start: None
      edit_lock:    True
      edit_lock_token: None
      inc_updates:  False
      lock_state:   EDIT_UNLOCK
      locked_by:    None
      mtime:        Thu Aug 30 09:11:45 2012
      nsec3:        True
      reference:   anathoth
      soa_serial:  2012082300
      sg_name:     anathoth-internal
      state:       PUBLISHED
      use_apex_ns: True
      zi_candidate_id: 102602
      zi_id:        102602
      zone_id:      101449
      zone_type:    DynDNSZoneSM

      zi_id:        102602
      change_by:   grantma@shalom-ext.internal.anathoth.net/Admin
      ctime:        Thu Aug 23 14:54:07 2012
      mtime:        Thu Aug 30 09:40:32 2012
      ptime:        Thu Aug 30 09:40:32 2012
      soa_expire:  7d
      soa_minimum: 600
      soa_mname:   ns1.anathoth.net.
      soa_refresh: 600
      soa_retry:   600
      soa_rname:   matthewgrant5.gmail.com.
      soa_serial:  2012082300
      soa_ttl:     None
      zone_id:    101449
      zone_ttl:  24h
```

```
zone_tool >
```

Followed up 24 hours later by:

```
zone_tool > delete_zone_alt_sg bad-thing.org
zone_tool > show_zonesm bad-thing.org
    name:          bad-thing.org.
    alt_sg_name:   None
    auto_dnssec:  False
    ctime:        Thu Aug 23 14:54:07 2012
    deleted_start: None
    edit_lock:     True
    edit_lock_token: None
    inc_updates:  False
    lock_state:   EDIT_UNLOCK
    locked_by:    None
    mtime:        Thu Aug 30 09:11:45 2012
    nsec3:        True
    reference:   anathoth
    soa_serial:  2012082300
    sg_name:     anathoth-internal
    state:       PUBLISHED
    use_apex_ns: True
    zi_candidate_id: 102602
    zi_id:        102602
    zone_id:      101449
    zone_type:    DynDNSZoneSM

    zi_id:        102602
    change_by:   grantma@shalom-ext.internal.anathoth.net/Admin
    ctime:        Thu Aug 23 14:54:07 2012
    mtime:        Thu Aug 30 09:40:32 2012
    ptime:        Thu Aug 30 09:40:32 2012
    soa_expire:  7d
    soa_minimum: 600
    soa_mname:   ns1.anathoth.net.
    soa_refresh: 600
    soa_retry:   600
    soa_rname:   matthewgrant5@gmail.com.
    soa_serial:  2012082300
    soa_ttl:     None
    zone_id:     101449
    zone_ttl:   24h

zone_tool >
```

Private SGs typically have a specified named.conf template directory, which has templates that restrict query access to its primary Zones. Such SGs are typically used for behind firewall or backend DNS information, which can either consist of RFC 1918 address space, or RFC 4193 IPv6 ULAs (fd13::/16 or fd14::/16). These SGs are usually configured with private master\_address and master\_alt\_address records.

## Replica SG

The replica\_sg is a special SG covering all zones. It is used to replicate all zones to all DMS replicas (running named as DNS slaves), which save the information into what would be dynamic DNS directory if the replica became the Master server. PostgreSQL is typically configured to replicate to each DMS replica alongside the named zone slave replication.

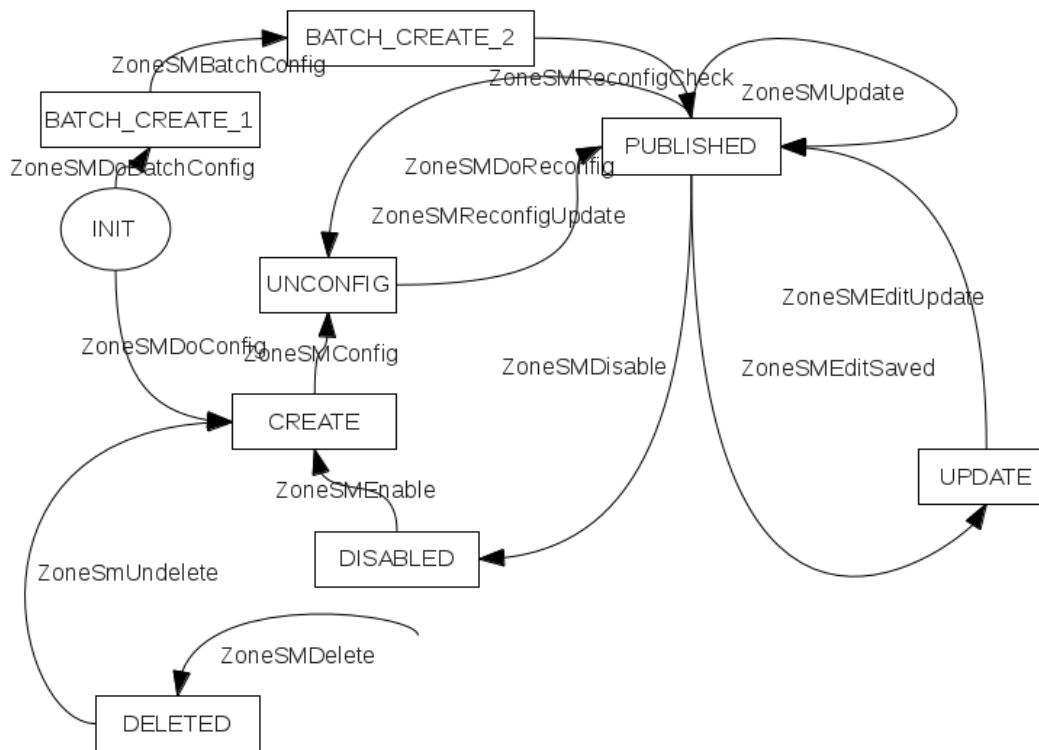
```
zone_tool > show_replica_sg
    sg_name:          anathoth-replica
    config_dir:       /etc/bind/anathoth-master
    master_address:  2001:470:f012:2::2
    master_alt_address: 2001:470:f012:2::3
    replica_sg:      True
    zone_count:     14

    Peer NAMED slave configuration state:
        shalom-dr           2001:470:f012:2::3

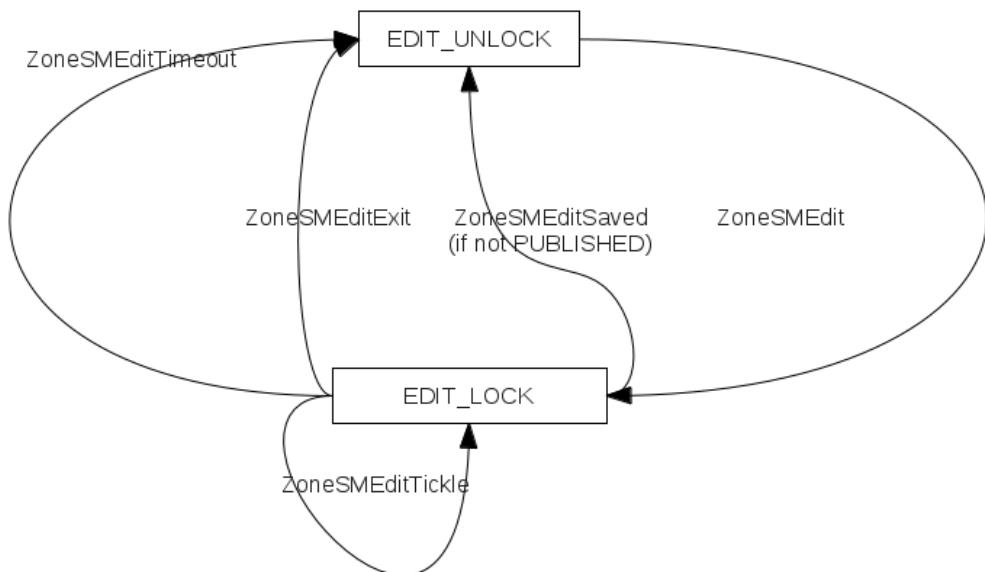
    OK
zone_tool >
```

## State Machine Diagrams

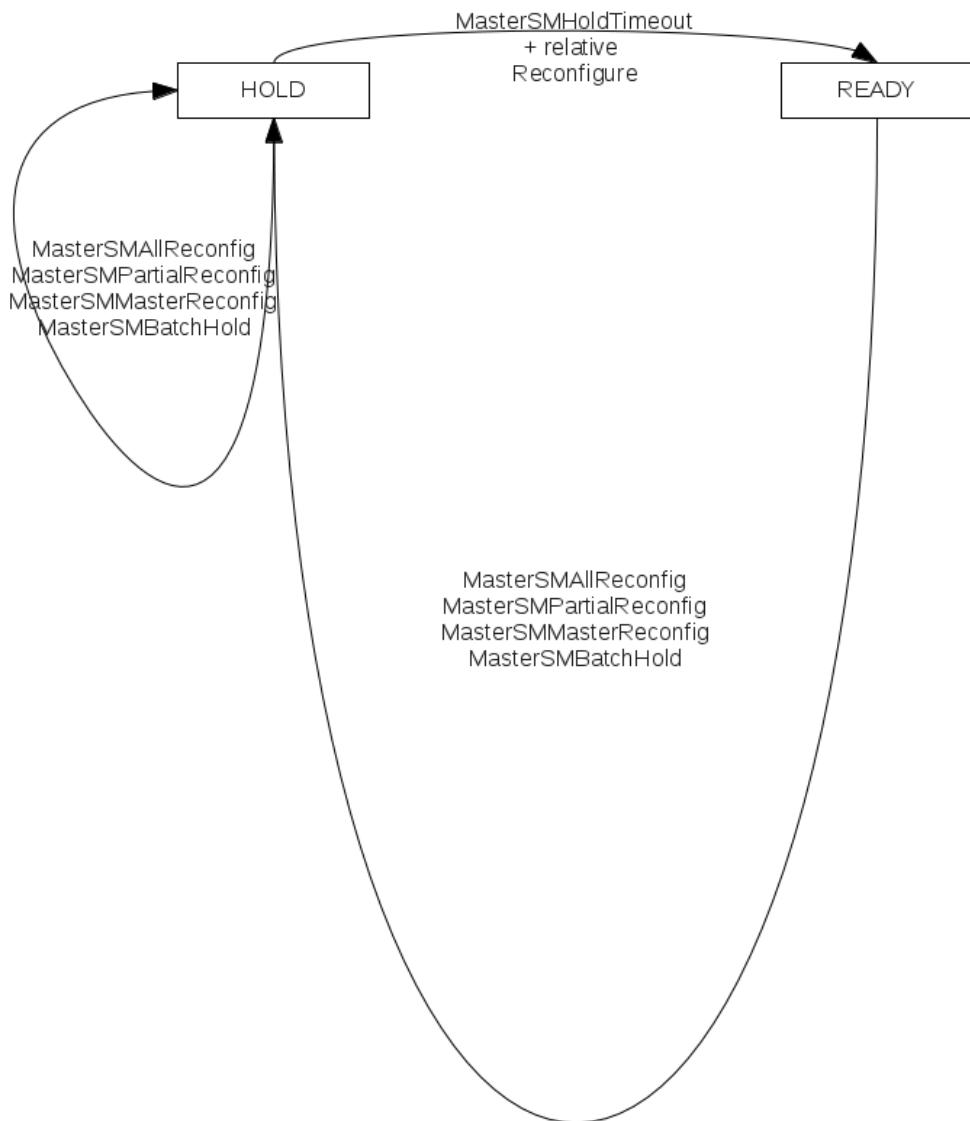
### Zone State Machine



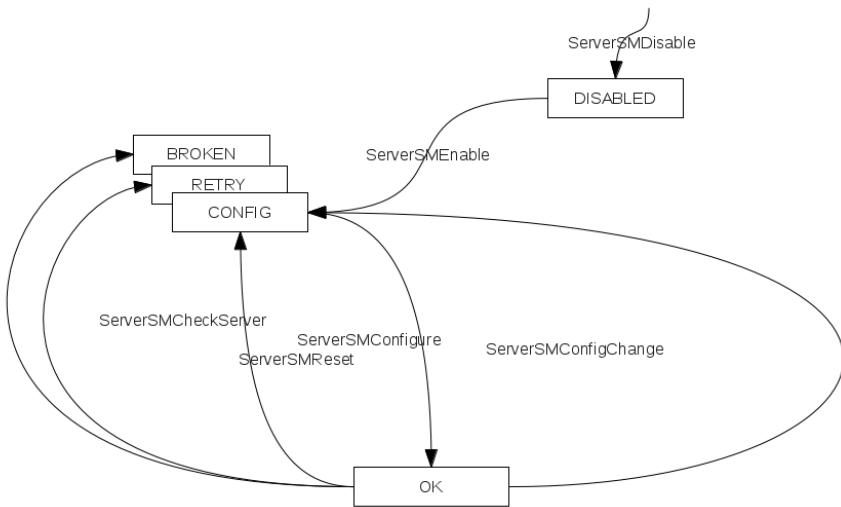
Super Imposed State Machines  
Edit lock SM only affects PUBLISHED



**Master State Machine - drives DNS server configuration**



**Server State Machine**



## Vacuuming Deleted Zones and Old ZIs

There are 3 things in the DMS database that need daily ageing and cleaning done. They are Zone Instances (ZIs), deleted zones, and the syslog table. As it is PostgresQL, they are 'vacuumed'.

The default ages for the history are set in the DMS config table, shown by `show_config`, and mostly changed by `set_config`

The commands for vacuuming are:

<code>vacuum_event_queue</code>	Age the event queue
<code>vacuum_zis</code>	Age a zone's unpublished ZIs
<code>vacuum_zones</code>	Age deleted zones out of the DMS
<code>vacuum_syslog</code>	Age syslog messages
<code>vacuum_pare_deleted_zone_zis</code>	Pare deleted zone ZIs down to last published ZI
<code>vacuum_all</code>	Do all the the above, using default ages

The default ages for the above when the dms database was first installed are as follows:

Events	Anything older than <code>event_max_age</code> (120.0) days.
Zone Instances	Anything less than <code>zi_max_age</code> (90.0 days), down to <code>zi_max_num</code> limit (25) thereafter.

Deleted Zones	Anything older than 1000 years (zone_del_age 0.0 days)
Paring Deleted Zones	Anything older than zone_del_pare_age, 90.0 days
Log messages	Anything older than syslog_max_age (120.0) days.

## Wrapping, Incrementing and Setting Zone serial numbers

Zone\_tool also provides a way to manipulate a zones SOA serial number administratively. The serial numbers can be set, if it is greater than that in named, or incremented, or wrapped via the poke\_ commands.

poke_zone_set_serial	Set a zone's SOA serial number, or increment it
poke_zone_wrap_serial	Wrap a zone's SOA serial number.

## Zone\_tool Shell Notes

### Environment Variables

Zone\_tool takes the standard environment variables, and uses them if you are not in restricted shell mode. You can use these to effect changes for your own login.

All these can be set globally in /etc/net24/net24.conf, using the appropriate setting names, in the [zone\_tool] section

The usage of the variables for the pager and editor is determine by the privilege of the user account. The user must be a member of the sudo, root, or wheel groups by default (groups can be set via net24.conf admin\_group\_list) for the shell variables to be used.

### Editor

Admin Shell Variable	/etc/net24/net24.conf	restricted default	administrator default	description
VISUAL	'editor'	rvim, rnano	system default	zone_tool editor
EDITOR	'editor'	rvim, rnano	system default	zone_tool editor

### Pager

zone\_tool is aware of stdout not being a terminal, so if you redirect output from it, it will not try to put it through the pager.

Shell Variable	/etc//net24/net24.conf	restricted default	administrator default	description
PAGER (admin only)	pager (restricted)	less	system default	pager program
NET24_PAGER_ARGS	pager_args	-REX		pager arguments

### Diff

<b>Shell Variable</b>	<b>/etc/net24/net24.conf</b>	<b>default</b>	<b>description</b>
NET24_DIFF		colordiff, then diff	diff program
NET24_DIFF_ARGS	diff_args	-uNw	diff program args

## Tail

<b>Shell variable</b>	<b>/etc/net24/net24.conf</b>	<b>default</b>	<b>description</b>
NET24_TAIL		tail	tail program
NET24_TAIL_ARGS	tail_args	tail arguments	tail program

# Technical Notes

## Anycast Redux

### Anycast Redux

Refer to RFCs 3528 and 4786. Also refer to <http://dns.isc.org/f-root/> and <http://www.isc.org/solutions/sns-anycast>

- ISCs experience is that a combination of anycast and unicast DNS servers is the most reliable.  
Due to routing and load balancing instabilities, the unicast servers are required to fill in the holes of service.  
Like interference fringes from overlapping point wave sources.
- Small length TCP sessions mostly work.
- Keep Local node routing to one AS as much as possible, due to trouble shooting difficulties.
- Global node routing has to be very stable.
- As soon as a DNS server can't keep content in sync with master, just shut down named, rather than withdrawing route.
- Turn off PMTU on anycast DNS servers
- Don't filter UDP fragments
- Set IPv6 MTU on anycast servers to 1280 bytes to avoid fragmentation.

Remember that DNS resolvers are v. good at handling non-responsive servers.

Also note that anycast address should at least be on a loopback interface.

Good idea for anycast/slave server to have 2 interfaces - one for query traffic, the other for admin and talking to master server. These should be connected to separate interfaces on upstream router. Avoids a DOS overflowing TX queue affecting admin of the server

## Building Debian Packages

### Prerequisites

1. Debian Wheezy VM
2. git installed
3. apt-get build-dep dms
4. git clone <https://git.devel.net.nz/dms/dms.git>

### Building Package

This needs fleshing out. Just quick notes at the moment.

1. Merge master into deb-package branch

```
wheezy-dev$ git pull  
wheezy-dev$ git merge v0.99w
```

## 2. Update debian/changelog

```
wheezy-dev$ git-dch --commit
```

## 3. Build package

```
wheezy-dev$ git-buildpackage -rfakeroot -uc -us --git-tag
```

## 4. Rebuild and index master repository structure

```
reprepro-devel-net include wheezy  
/usr/src/debian/build-area/dms_0.99x-3_amd64.changes
```

Note that you need to give the correct version number in the above command.

## 5. Rsync to repository server.

```
rsync-deb-repo
```

# Master Server Install from Source Repository

i This may be a bit out of date, but useful for details hidden by Debian Packaging

## Packages to install

### FreeBSD 9.0

#### *Recompile kernel with IPSEC support*

i FreeBSD kernel cannot filter outgoing TCP connections over IPSEC in ipfw. These connections invariably get blocked. IPv6 Code hooked into IPFW kernel to allow this to happen is incomplete...

## 1. Install kernel sources

## 1. Create IPSEC kernel configuration in /usr/src/sys/amd64/conf

```
# pwd

# cp GENERIC IPSEC
# echo -ne "\n# IPSEC support
options          IPSEC           #IP security
device          crypto           # Cryptography device
options          IPSEC_DEBUG     # IPSEC debugging
# PF extras
device pf
device pflog
device pfsync
" >> IPSEC
# echo -ne "\n# PostgreSQL SysV Optimizations
options          SYSVSHM
options          SYSVSEM
options          SYSVMSG
options          SHMMAXPGS=65536
options          SEMMNI=40
options          SEMMNS=240
options          SEMUME=40
options          SEMMNU=120
" >> IPSEC
# cd /usr/src
# make -j 4 KERNCONF=IPSEC buildkernel
# make KERNCONF=IPSEC installkernel
```

- freebsd-update will need /boot/kernel.old (GENERIC kernel) mv-ed to /boot GENERIC for its update process to work correctly.

```
# cd /boot
# mv kernel.old GENERIC
```

- Also add /boot/kernel/ to *UpdateIfUnmodified* in /etc/freebsd-update.conf to stop freebsd-update moving the custom kernel out of the way.

```
# Paths which start with anything matching an entry in an
UpdateIfUnmodified
# statement will only be updated if the contents of the file have not been
# modified by the user (unless changes are merged; see below).
UpdateIfUnmodified /etc/ /var/ /root/ /.cshrc /.profile /boot/kernel/
```

Ports collection will have to be used, and a Net24 ports collection installed. This is because the www/mod\_wsgi3 as shipped by BSD ports does not work! We have our own port

Install the following:

portmaster

```
# cd /usr/ports/ports-mgmt/portmaster  
# make install  
# cd /usr/ports
```

git

```
# cd /usr/ports  
# portmaster -PG devel/git
```

PostgresQL 9.1

```
# cd /usr/ports  
# portmaster -P databases/postgresql91-server
```

Options for PostgresQL. ICU is for compatibility reasons with Linux PGSQl.

## Build ICU library with threading support

Python 3.2

```
portmaster -P lang/python32
```

Python32 config options used. THREADS needed for mod\_wsgi:

Apache 2.2

```
cd # /usr/ports  
# portmaster -P www/apache22
```

Enable THREADS, PGSQL, SQLITE IPV6, leave rest of config as is. Threads is needed for mod\_wsgi.

Sqlite, accept default options.

Pcre, accept default options

apache22\_enable="YES"

racoon

```
# cd /usr/ports  
# portmaster -P security/ipsec-tools
```

ipsec-tools configuration options:

also without IDEA and RC5

curl

```
# cd /usr/ports  
# portmaster -PG ftp/curl
```

Install Net24 BSD ports collection. You may need to set up /root/.gitconfig and /root/.netrc

```
# cd /usr/ports  
# git clone https://get.devel.net.nz/freebsd-ports/net24.git  
# echo "SUBDIRS += net24" > Makefile.local  
# make index
```

racoon-tool

```
# cd /usr/ports  
# portmaster -P net24/security/racoon-tool
```

Mod WSGI www/mod\_wsgi3

```
# cd /usr/ports  
# portmaster -P net24/www/mod_wsgi3
```

Bind 9.9

```
# cd /usr/ports  
# portmaster -P dns/bind99
```

Install options:

```
# This file is auto-generated by 'make config'.
# No user-serviceable parts inside!
# Options for bind98-base-9.8.0.2
_OPTIONS_READ=bind98-base-9.8.0.2
WITH_SSL=true
WITH_LINKS=true
WITH_XML=true
WITH_IDN=true
WITH_REPLACE_BASE=true
WITH_LARGE_FILE=true
WITH_SIGCHASE=true
WITH_IPV6=true
WITH_THREADS=true
WITHOUT_DLZ_POSTGRESQL=true
WITHOUT_DLZ_MYSQL=true
WITHOUT_DLZ_BDB=true
WITHOUT_DLZ_LDAP=true
WITHOUT_DLZ_FILESYSTEM=true
WITHOUT_DLZ_STUB=true
```

rsyslog

```
# cd /usr/ports
# portmaster -P sysutils/rsyslog5
```

lsof

```
# cd /usr/ports/sysutils/lsof
# make install
```

rsync

Accept config defaults

```
# cd /usr/ports/net/rsync
# make install
```

## Debian Linux testing

Install from Debian 6.0 business card CD, Expert install. On downloading release information offered a choice to install Squeeze(stable), Wheezy(Testing) or Sid(unstable). Choose Wheezy and follow prompts.

Just do:

## Useful sys admin tools

```
# aptitude install screen vim-nox colordiff ssh lsof strace at less sudo
telnet-ssl dnsutils \
curl
```

```
# aptitude install git postgresql-9.1 python3.2 python3.2-dev apache2
libapache2-mod-wsgi-py3 \
rsyslog-pgsql bind9 curl racoon libpq-dev build-essential haveged ntp
```

Haveged is installed as it helps a lot with entropy material for */dev/random* on a Linux VM, by finding randomness in the memory allocation and LDT tables etc.

Choose racoon-tool as the mode of control of the IKE daemon. With rsyslog-pgsql, choose not to configure with dbconfig-common as rsyslog database will be part of dms database.

## FreeBSD Configuration

This first lot of configuration is to bring a FreeBSD master up to the same level as basically installed Debian Wheezy Server, with kernel tuning.

Setting up /etc/rc.conf etc for all the services just installed:

Rsyslog 5

Add

```
# Rsyslog 5
syslogd_enable="NO"
rsyslogd_enable="YES"
# avoid warnings about rsyslogd running in compatibility mode
rsyslogd_flags="-c5"
# Compatibility with newsyslog(8) - syslog PID file hard coded.
rsyslogd_pidfile="/var/run/syslog.pid"
```

to /etc/rc.conf. Copy /etc/syslog.conf to /usr/local/etc/rsyslog.conf, and add the following 3 lines to the top for basic functionality:

```
$ModLoad immark.so    # provides --MARK-- message capability
$ModLoad imuxsock.so # provides support for local system logging
$ModLoad imklog.so    # kernel logging
```

Stop syslogd and start rsyslogd:

```
/etc/rc.d/syslogd stop  
/usr/local/etc/rc.d/rsyslogd start
```

## NTP

Add

```
server ntp.net24.net.nz iburst maxpoll 9  
server ntp2.net24.net.nz iburst maxpoll 9
```

to /etc/ntp.conf, commenting out the default NTP servers and

```
ntpd_enable="YES"  
ntpd_sync_on_start="YES"
```

to /etc/rc.conf and then

```
# /etc/rc.d/ntpd start
```

## PostgresQL

Add these settings for PostgresQL. This sets up the machine to be in NZ, just the same as a PostgresQL install under Debian or Ubuntu for cross system compatibility.

/etc/login.conf:

edit /etc/login.conf, and add the following to the bottom of the default section:

```
:charset=UTF-8:\  
:lang=en_NZ.UTF-8:
```

Don't forget to add the '\' to the end of the last line to continue, and then run

```
# cap_mkdb /etc/login.conf
```

Initialize the postgresql DB using:

```
# su - postgres
$ initdb -D /usr/local/postgresql/data --locale=en_NZ.UTF-8 --encoding=UTF8
```

Then add

```
postgresql_enable="YES"
# # optional
# postgresql_data="/usr/local/postgresql/data"
# postgresql_flags="-w -s -m fast"
postgresql_initdb_flags="--encoding=UTF8 --locale=en_NZ.UTF-8"
# postgresql_class="default"
```

to /etc/rc.conf and

```
/usr/local/etc/postgresql start
```

BIND9

Just add

```
named_enable="YES"
```

to /etc/rc.conf and

```
# /etc/rc.d/named start
```

Apache 2.2

Just add

```
apache22_enable="YES"
```

to /etc/rc.conf and

```
# /usr/local/etc/rc.d/apache22 start
```

## IPSEC

Add

```
# Enable racoon via racoon-tool
racoон_tool_enable="YES"
```

to /etc/rc.conf and

```
# /usr/local/etc/rc.d/racoон_tool start
```

## Debian Kernel Tuning

This is to increase SYSV shared memory and semaphore limits.

```
# echo "# Shared memory settings for PostgreSQL

# Note that if another program uses shared memory as well, you will have to
# coordinate the size settings between the two.

# Maximum size of shared memory segment in bytes
#kernel.shmmmax = 33554432

# Maximum total size of shared memory in pages (normally 4096 bytes)
#kernel.shmall = 2097152

kernel.shmmmax = 134217728
kernel.shmall = 32768
" > /etc/sysctl.d/30-postgresql-shm.conf

# service procps start
```

Shared memory settings also have to be adjusted in postgresql.conf

## Debian Setup

NTP

Add

```
server ntp.net24.net.nz iburst maxpoll 9
server ntp2.net24.net.nz iburst maxpoll 9
```

to /etc/ntp.conf, commenting out the default Debian NTP server pool servers.

Now Debian and FreeBSD servers are configured similarly from this stage.

## Get DMS Master Source code

In you home directory:

```
$ git clone https://git.devel.net.nz/dms/dms-2011.git
```

## PostgresQL set up

The procedures here will create PostgresQL setups that are cross compatible. Using Unicode in the DB (above) makes the dumps compatible with Debian's PGSQL install, and creating the pgsql super user on Debian means that access control statements in the dumps work on FreeBSD and Debian.

### FreeBSD set up

Record data base passwords for later on, when setting up *net24.conf*

```
# sh ./setup_scripts/create-freebsd-db.sh
```

For development, you may also want to create a super user account for yourself:

```
$ createuser -sEP <your-login>
```

### Debian setup

Same as for Free BSD, except su to the postgres user, and add a pgsql super user:

```
# sh ./setup_scripts/create-debian-db.sh
```

and of course for development

```
$ createuser -sEP <your-login>
```

Again, record data base passwords for later on, when setting up *net24.conf*

## PostgresQL network and user account mapping

Under FreeBSD, the files pg\_hba.conf, postgresql.conf, and pg\_ident.conf are found in /usr/local/pgsql/data. On

Debian they are in /etc/postgresql/9.1/main, the configuration directory for the main DB cluster. Peer mapping is used instead of trust, as it is far more secure. MD5 authentication is used on localhost as configuring Unix sockets is a lot harder to do in Python SQLAlchemy. Also, at some point in the future, the master DB may be run as a cluster for scalability.

- On Debian, do not disable the administrative access in pg\_hba.conf for the postgres user across a unix socket. All sorts of maintenance and system cron jobs won't work then!

### Production

Edit /usr/localpgsql/data/pg\_hba.conf to be:

```
# TYPE DATABASE USER CIDR-ADDRESS METHOD

# "local" is for Unix domain socket connections only
local all all peer

# IPv4 local connections:
host all all 127.0.0.1/32 md5
# IPv6 local connections:
host all all ::1/128 md5
```

This turns on password checking for localhost IP access, and sets Unix socket connections from psql to have no passwords from the command line.

### Development

On Debian, to make work easier and to enable Python DB stuff to work with less fuss add the following to /etc/postgresql/9.1/main/pg\_ident.conf:

```
# MAPNAME SYSTEM-USERNAME PG-USERNAME
net24 <login> psql
net24 <login>
```

And edit /etc/postgresql/main/pg\_hba.conf to be:

```
# TYPE DATABASE USER CIDR-ADDRESS METHOD

# "local" is for Unix domain socket connections only
local all all peer
map=net24

# IPv4 local connections:
host all all 127.0.0.1/32 md5
# IPv6 local connections:
host all all ::1/128 md5
```

This turns on password checking for localhost IP access, and sets Unix socket connections

from psql to have no passwords from the command line.

Of course you can also set the following environment variables in .profile/.bashrc

```
PGDATABASE="dms"
PGUSER="pgsql"
export PGUSER PGDATABASE
```

## Postgresql.conf settings

On Debian, set listen\_addresses to ip6-localhost,localhost, and on both system types set shared\_buffers to 64MB.

### *DR Postgresql.conf settings*

For reference see the [PostgesQL wiki](#)

For DR, add external interface address to *listen\_addresses* , set *max\_wal\_senders* to 3, set *wal\_keep\_segments* to 256 (4GB WAL logs), and set *hot\_standby* to on. Do this on both machines as the *recovery.conf* file in the PostgreSQL cluster data directory is what determines whether postgresql comes up in standby mode or not.

Create the DR user on the master as shell user *postgres* or *pgsql* (FreeBSD):

```
postgres $ psql -c "CREATE USER ruser WITH REPLICATION PASSWORD
'SomethingSimplyDuplex';"
```

Rsync the contents of the data directory, after stopping PostgreSQL on the master:

```
root@master # rsync -a /var/lib/postgresql/9.1/main/
root@dr:/var/lib/postgresql/9.1/main
```

On the DR server, in the main cluster data directory create the file *recovery.conf*

```
primary_conninfo = 'host=master port=5432 user=ruser
password=SomethingSimplyDuplex'
standby_mode = on
```

Add the replication user *ruser* to the PG cluster's pg\_hba.conf on both master and DR servers:

```
host      replication      ruser          2001:db8::1/128  md5
```

Now do this on the DR

```
# chown postgres:postgres /var/lib/postgresql/9.1/main/recovery.conf
# chmod 640 /var/lib/postgresql/9.1/main/recovery.conf
# ls -l /var/lib/postgresql/9.1/main/recovery.conf
-rw-r----- 1 postgres postgres 108 May 14 17:06
/var/lib/postgresql/9.1/main/recovery.conf
```

When the DR DB is promoted to read/write via the *prctl promote* command, the *recovery.conf* file will be renamed. *recovery.done*

Restart postgresql to make the new settings take effect.

- service postgresql restart for Debian
- /usr/local/etc/rc.d/postgresql restart for FreeBSD

## Load database schema and functions

Run psql as DB superuser and load the DB net24dmd schema onto the fresh dms database created above. Its also a good time to load the seed configuration settings as well.

```
$ psql -U postgres dms
dms=# \i sql/dms-2011.sql
dms=# \i sql/dms-2011-seed-config.sql
```

This contains all stored procedures and triggers etc for the database, created by *pg\_dump -s -U postgres dms*

## Install Python stack

As root from the *dms-2011* directory, run *./setup\_scripts/bootstrap-python-packages.sh*

## Create system users

The following will create the 2 system/pseudo users *net24dms* and *net24dmi* the DMS software will run as.

For FreeBSD:

```
# sh ./setup_scripts/create-freebsd-users.sh
```

Debian:

```
# sh ./setup_scripts/create-debian-users.sh
```

Don't forget to add users who need access to *zone\_tool* to the *net24dms* group so that they can read the *net24.conf* file that also stores the database password.

## Install software

As root on FreeBSD:

```
# gmake install
```

Also update */etc/mtree/BIND.chroot.dist* for the */etc/namedb/dynamic* directory:

```
/set type=dir uname=root gname=wheel mode=0755
.
.
.
dev mode=0555
..
etc
namedb
dynamic uname=bind gname=net24dmd mode=2775
..
master
..
slave uname=bind
..
working uname=bind
..
.
.
.
.
```

This will set the permissions required for net24dmd to work whenever named is restarted...

As root on Debian:

```
# make install
```

## Edit *net24.conf* and test

Edit *net24.conf* in */etc/net24* on Debian, and */usr/local/etc/net24* on FreeBSD to set up DB passwords recorded from above. Also note that logging settings can also be adjusted here. Each different program and mod\_wsgi has their own section, that overrides the DEFAULT section.

Test using:

```

$ zone_tool
Welcome to the zone_tool program. Type help or ? to list commands.

zone_tool > show_config
    auto_dnssec:      false
    default_ref:     net24
    default_ssg:     net24-one
    default_stype:   bind9
    edit_lock:       false
    event_max_age:  120.0
    inc_updates:    false
    nsec3:           false
    soa_expire:     7d
    soa_minimum:    24h
    soa_mname:      ns1.net24.net.nz. (net24-one)
    soa_refresh:    7200
    soa_retry:      7200
    soa_rname:      soa.net24.net.nz.
    use_apex_ns:    true
    zi_max_age:    90.0
    zi_max_num:    25
    zone_del_age:  90.0
    zone_ttl:       24h
zone_tool > show_apex_ns
    ns1.net24.net.nz.
    ns2.net24.net.nz.
zone_tool > show_sectags
    1ST_DOMAINS
    Admin
    NET24
zone_tool > ls_sg
    net24-one          1
/usr/local/etc/net24/slave-config-templates
zone_tool >

```

## Configuring BIND named

Generate the following keys and rndc.conf using zone\_tool:

```

# zone_tool generate_tsig_key rndc-key hmac-md5 rndc-local.key
# zone_tool generate_tsig_key remote-key hmac-md5 rndc-remote.key
# zone_tool generate_tsig_key update-ddns hmac-sha256 update-session.key
# zone_tool write_rndc_conf

```

Go to the named /etc directory (*/etc/bind* on Debian and */etc/namedb* on FreeBSD) and copy the *rndc-remote.key* key to the */etc/net24/slave-admin-config* directory.

Debian:

```
# cd /etc/bind
# cp rndc-remote.key /etc/net24/slave-admin-config/bind9
```

FreeBSD:

```
# cd /etc/namedb
# cp rndc-remote.key /usr/local/etc/net24/slave-admin-config/bind9
```

Edit named.conf to set up the options and include statements for the master server. Named.conf segments can be found in \_etc/master-named.conf-segments, off an example Debian system.

Options settings. On FreeBSD don't forget to comment out the listen { 127.0.0.1; }; statement. For FreeBSD you will have to change /etc/bind to /etc/namedb:

```
//
// Net24 DMS ACL set up for master server
//
// ACLs need to be configured here to use in options...

// include public SG ACL
include "/etc/bind/master-config/master-slave-acl.conf";

options {
    // OS bind options here
    // .
    // .
    // .

    // On multi-homed box, where bind is not on primary
    // hostname and IP use the following to stop named twittering to
itself
    // as it thinks it is not the master server!
//server-id "full.host.name.on.internet.";
//hostname "full.host.name.on.internet.";

    // we want to do this....
dnssec-validation auto;

    auth-nxdomain no;      # conform to RFC1035
listen-on-v6 { any; };

    // secure this name server for use on internet
recursion no;
//allow-recursion {
```

```
//           localhost;
//};

// Slave and AXFR settings
allow-transfer {
    localhost;
};

transfers-in 10;
transfers-out 150;
transfers-per-ns 50;

allow-query {
    any;
};

// Notify only from port 53
notify-source * port 53;
notify-source-v6 * port 53;
// notify to SOA mname server?
notify-to-soa no;

// DNSSEC related options
```

```
    key-directory "keys";
};
```

Master server include zone setup. Add this to `/etc/bind/named.conf.local` on Debian, and paste into `/etc/namedb/named.conf` on FreeBSD. For FreeBSD you will have to change `/etc/bind` to `/etc/namedb`:

```
// local rndc key
include "/etc/bind/rndc-local.key";
controls {
    inet 127.0.0.1 port 953 allow { 127.0.0.1; } keys { "rndc-key"; };
};
include "/etc/bind/update-session.key";

include "/etc/bind/master-config/master-config.conf";
```

1. Restart named and make sure it works.
2. Start `net24dmd` in debug mode and make sure it runs

```
# net24dmd -d 1
```

It should start and keep running, not detaching from the terminal.

3. In another terminal, do a `zone_tool reconfig_master`. This should rewrite the ACL file in `/etc/bind/master-config`
4. Create a zone, and check that you can AXFR it. Delete it once the check has been performed.

```
# zone_tool create_zone test.blam
# dig +noall +answer -t AXFR test.blam. @localhost
test.blam. 86400 IN SOA ns1.net24.net.nz. soa.net24.net.nz.
            2012032200 7200 7200 604800 86400
test.blam. 86400 IN NS ns1.net24.net.nz.
test.blam. 86400 IN NS ns2.net24.net.nz.
test.blam. 86400 IN SOA ns1.net24.net.nz. soa.net24.net.nz.
            2012032200 7200 7200 604800 86400
zone_tool delete_zone test.blam
```

This zone may take about 10 minutes to turn up. Try typing `show_configsm` at the `zone_tool` prompt. That will show the next time the ConfigSM will cycle, allowing the zone to be published.

## Enabling `net24dmd` at boot

### FreeBSD

Copy `etc/freebsd/init/net24dmd.init` to `/usr/local/etc/rc.d/net24dmd`, and set `net24dmd_enable` in `/etc/rc.conf`.

```
cp etc/freebsd/init/net24dmd.init /usr/local/etc/rc.d/net24dmd
```

Edit /etc/rc.conf and add:

```
# Net24 DMS  
net24dmd_enable="YES"
```

To start daemon:

```
# /usr/local/etc/rc.d/net24dmd start
```

## Debian

Copy `etc/debian/init/net24dmd.init` to `/etc/init.d/net24dmd`, and copy `etc/debian/init/net24dmd.default` to `/etc/default/net24dmd`, and run `insserv /etc/init.d/net24dmd`.

```
# cp etc/debian/init/net24dmd.init /etc/init.d/net24dmd  
# chmod 755 /etc/init.d/net24dmd  
# cp etc/debian/init/net24dmd.default /etc/default/net24dmd  
# insserv /etc/init.d/net24dmd
```

Edit `/etc/default/net24dmd` to enable net24dmd on boot.

```
# defaults file for net24dmd  
  
# start net24dmd from init.d script?  
# only allowed values are "true", and "false"  
NET24DMD_ENABLE=true
```

## Cron jobs

### FreeBSD

Just create a cron job to run `zone_tool vacuum_all` daily. It does not have to be done as root, though that is probably the easiest.

Same as for FreeBSD.

### WSGI Setup.

## Debian

Edit /etc/apache2/sites-available/default and insert 'include /etc/net24/dms-wsgi-apache.conf'

```
<VirtualHost *:80>
    ServerAdmin webmaster@localhost

    DocumentRoot /var/www
    <Directory />
        Options FollowSymLinks
        AllowOverride None
    </Directory>
    <Directory /var/www/>
        Options Indexes FollowSymLinks MultiViews
        AllowOverride None
        Order allow,deny
        allow from all
    </Directory>

    include /etc/net24/dms-wsgi-apache.conf

    ErrorLog ${APACHE_LOG_DIR}/error.log

    # Possible values include: debug, info, notice, warn, error, crit,
    # alert, emerg.
    LogLevel info

    CustomLog ${APACHE_LOG_DIR}/access.log combined
</VirtualHost>
```

Reload apache2 with

```
# service apache2 reload
```

Create WSGI accounts, and mind that you record the passwords for later:

```
# htpasswd -c /etc/apache2/htpasswd-dms admin-dms
# htpasswd /etc/apache2/htpasswd-dms net24-dms
# htpasswd /etc/apache2/htpasswd-dms 1stdomains-dms
# chown root:www-data /etc/apache2/htpasswd-dms
# chmod 640 /etc/apache2/htpasswd-dms
```

Check that it works:

```
# curl -X POST -H 'Content-Type: application/json' -u admin-dms -d
"@testing/test.jsonrpc" \
http://dns-master1.grantma-imac/admin_dms
```

It should spew a lot of JSON content.

## FreeBSD

Enable virtual hosts by uncommenting the include at the bottom of `/usr/local/etc/apache22/httpd.conf`, and editing the include file to comment out example sites. Then:

```
cat etc/vhost-net24dms-freebsd >>
/usr/local/etc/apache22/extra/httpd-vhosts.conf
```

and edit it to set ServerName and log file names as above.

Create WSGI accounts, and mind that you record the passwords for later:

```
# htpasswd -c /usr/local/etc/apache22/htpasswd-dms admin-dms
# htpasswd /usr/local/etc/apache22/htpasswd-dms net24-dms
# htpasswd /usr/local/etc/apache22/htpasswd-dms 1stdomains-dms
# chown root:www /usr/local/etc/apache22/htpasswd-dms
# chmod 640 /usr/local/etc/apache22/htpasswd-dms
```

Check that it works:

```
# curl -X POST -H 'Content-Type: application/json' -u admin-dms -d
"@testing/test.jsonrpc" \
http://dns-master1.grantma-imac/admin_dms
```

It should spew a lot of JSON content.

## Rsyslog

### FreeBSD

```
# mkdir /usr/local/etc/rsyslog.d
# mkdir /var/spool/rsyslog
```

Edit `/etc/usr/local/etc/rsyslog.conf` and add the following after the top 3 modules lines, unashamedly adapted from

Debian:

```
# provides UDP syslog reception
#$ModLoad imudp
#$UDPServerRun 514

# provides TCP syslog reception
#$ModLoad imtcp
#$InputTCPServerRun 514

#####
#### GLOBAL DIRECTIVES #####
#####

#
# Use traditional timestamp format.
# To enable high precision timestamps, comment out the following line.
#
$ActionFileDefaultTemplate RSYSLOG_TraditionalFileFormat

#
# Set the default permissions for all log files.
#
$FileOwner root
$FileGroup wheel
$FileCreateMode 0640
$DirCreateMode 0755
$Umask 0022

#
# Where to place spool and state files
#
$WorkDirectory /var/spool/rsyslog

#
# Include all config files in /etc/rsyslog.d/
#
$IncludeConfig /usr/local/etc/rsyslog.d/*.conf
```

Then create the file `/usr/local/etc/rsyslog.d/00network.conf`.

```

# provides UDP syslog reception
$ModLoad imudp
$UDPServerRun 514

# provides TCP syslog reception
$ModLoad imtcp
$InputTCPServerRun 514

# Sample Clients
#$AllowedSender UDP, [2001:470:c:110e::2]
#$AllowedSender TCP, [2001:470:c:110e::2]
#$AllowedSender UDP, [2001:470:66:23::2]
#$AllowedSender TCP, [2001:470:66:23::2]

```

and the file `/usr/local/etc/rsyslog.d/pgsql.conf`, setting the rsyslog database password:

```

$ModLoad ompgsql
# local7.* /var/log/local7.log
local7.* :ompgsql:localhost,dms,rsyslog,ScabyBee

```

then

```
# chmod 600 /usr/local/etc/rsyslog.d/pgsql.conf
```

and restart rsyslog, checking `/var/log/messages` for errors. Also do:

```

# ps auxc | grep rsyslogd
20736  0  S      0:00.01 rsyslogd
# lsof -p 20736

```

and you should see a connection listed to `postgresql`. Check `/var/log/messages` for postgresql error messages.

## Debian

Basically the same except that the file structures are already there!

Create the file `/etc/rsyslog.d/00network`:

```

# provides UDP syslog reception
$ModLoad imudp
$UDPServerRun 514

# provides TCP syslog reception
$ModLoad imtcp
$InputTCPServerRun 514

# Sample Clients
#$AllowedSender UDP, [2001:470:c:110e::2]
#$AllowedSender TCP, [2001:470:c:110e::2]
#$AllowedSender UDP, [2001:470:66:23::2]
#$AllowedSender TCP, [2001:470:66:23::2]

```

and `/etc/rsyslog.d/pgsql.conf`, setting the database password for rsyslog:

```

### Configuration file for rsyslog-pgsql
### Changes are preserved

$ModLoad ompgsql
# local7.* /var/log/local7.log
local7.* :ompgsql:localhost,dms,rsyslog,ScrapyBee

```

Restart rsyslog, and check `/var/log/syslog` for error messages. Also do:

```

# ps axc | grep rsyslogd
20736  0  S      0:00.01 rsyslogd
# lsof -p 20736

```

and you should see a connection listed to `postgresql`. Check `/var/log/syslog` for postgresql error messages.

### **Master Server Bind Logging Setup**

Add the following to `/etc/namedb` or `/etc/bind` as `logging.conf`, and include it:

```

// Logging
logging {
    channel master_server {
        // Sends log messages to master server.
        syslog local7;
        severity info;
    };
    // Lots of notifies bounce around, giving heaps of refused messages
    // that are basically noise
    category notify {null;};
    // Both below are default bind options. Here for 'normality'
    category default { master_server; default_syslog; default_debug; };
    category unmatched { null; };
};

```

Restart named and check the system events table in the dms database. Log messages should start appearing in it.

## Master Server Firewall Setup

IPsec SPD is not stateful, and for 2 way traffic, it is easier just to set it up to allow all traffic in both directions. System IP filtering on the DMS master server should be used to protect the master server. It is possible to detect IPSEC traffic in iptables and IPFW2, and filter that incoming traffic statefully.

Due to an incomplete IPv6 IPFW2 filtering implementation on FreeBSD, it is not possible to turn the filtering on for IPv6 as outgoing TCP connections (eg rndc and named) end up being denied if IPSEC filtering is enabled. It all works for IPv4....

Here is a Sample iptables set up for Linux. Notice the INPUT rule diverting all incoming IPSEC traffic into the ipsec-in rule, which ends in a log chain that DROPs disallowed traffic. There are also a couple of rules for local system admin traffic as one of the slaves is a internal host in this example. The latter is not typical of a large scale setup.

```

# Completed on Sun Mar  4 16:30:11 2012
# Generated by ip6tables-save v1.4.12.2 on Sun Mar  4 16:30:11 2012
*filter
:INPUT ACCEPT [66:5920]
:FORWARD ACCEPT [0:0]
:OUTPUT ACCEPT [33:3448]
:ipsec-in - [0:0]
:log - [0:0]
-A INPUT -m policy --dir in --pol ipsec -j ipsec-in
-A ipsec-in -m state --state RELATED,ESTABLISHED -j ACCEPT
-A ipsec-in -p udp -m udp --sport 500 --dport 500 -j ACCEPT
-A ipsec-in -p ipv6-icmp -m icmp6 --icmpv6-type 129 -j ACCEPT
-A ipsec-in -p udp -m state --state NEW -m udp --dport 53 -j ACCEPT
-A ipsec-in -p udp -m state --state NEW -m udp --dport 514 -j ACCEPT
-A ipsec-in -p tcp -m state --state NEW -m tcp --dport 53 -j ACCEPT
-A ipsec-in -p tcp -m tcp --dport 53 -m state --state NEW -m frag --fragid
0 --fragfirst -j ACCEPT
-A ipsec-in -s fd14:828:ba69::/48 -p tcp -m tcp --dport 22 -m state --state
NEW -j ACCEPT
-A ipsec-in -s fd14:828:ba69::/48 -p tcp -m tcp --dport 80 -m state --state
NEW -j ACCEPT
-A ipsec-in -j log
-A log -m limit --limit 3/sec -j LOG --log-prefix "Def log:  - "
--log-tcp-options --log-ip-options
-A log -p icmp -j DROP
-A log -j REJECT --reject-with icmp6-port-unreachable
COMMIT
# Completed on Sun Mar  4 16:30:11 2012

```

The above and a FreeBSD IPFW2 example are in the *etc/firewall* directory of the dms-2011 git archive.

## Net24 DMS Debian Install Documentation

### Net24 DMS System

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The DNS Management System (DMS) is designed to have a master/replica master setup. It is a complex setup, requiring the hand configuration of database, DNS

server, and other components. If your setup does not require one of the components such as quagga, dms-wsgi, or etckeeper, just skip that section.

### etckeeper and ssh

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etckeeper is a tool to keep the contents of /etc in a git VCS. When combined with ssh and the appropriate git remote setup with cron, it allows the /etc of

the other machine in the master/replica DR pair to be kept on its alternate, and vice-versa. This protects against the /etc on the master being updated, the replica being missed, and then finding that things aren't working on the replica when the master dies, with no record of the updates needed to machine configuration.

For information on etckeeper usage, see /usr/share/doc/etckeeper/README.gz

Example for diffing/checking out /etc/racoon/racoon-tool.conf from other machine:

```
dms3-master:/etc# git diff dms4-dr/master racoon/racoon-tool.conf  
dms3-master:/etc# git checkout dms4-dr/master racoon/racoon-tool.conf  
dms3-master:/etc# git checkout HEAD racoon/racoon-tool.conf
```

1) etckeeper installation. Before installing etckeeper, you need to add a .gitignore to /etc to prevent /etc/shadow and other secrets files from ending up in etckeeper for security reasons. The contents of the seed /etc/.gitignore file is:

```
-----  
# Ignore these files for security reasons  
krb5.keytab  
shadow  
shadow-  
racoon/psk.txt  
ssl/  
ssh/moduli  
ssh/ssh_host_*
```

```
# Ignore these DMS dirs as the files are daemon generated  
bind/master-config/  
bind/rsync-config/
```

```
-----  
You probably have to purge etckeeper removing the initial /etc git archive  
if  
you are reading this, create the .gitignore file, and reinstall etckeeper:
```

```
# dpkg --purge etckeeper  
# vi /etc/.gitignore  
# aptitude install etckeeper
```

1) Set up ssh. As root on both boxes, turn off the following settings in sshd\_config:

```
RSAAuthentication no
```

```
PubkeyAuthentication no
RhostsRSAAuthentication no
HostbasedAuthentication no
ChallengeResponseAuthentication no
PasswordAuthentication no
GSSAPIAuthentication no
X11Forwarding no
UsePAM no
```

Then add the following to `/etc/ssh/sshd_config`, and adjust your network and administrative sshd authentication settings:

```
-----
UsePAM no
AllowTcpForwarding no
AllowAgentForwarding no
X11Forwarding no
PermitTunnel no
AllowGroups sudo root
# Section for DMS master/replica servers
Match Address 2001:db8:f012:2::3/128,2001:db8:ba69::3/128
    PubkeyAuthentication yes
    # PermitRootLogin forced-commands-only
    # The above only works with commands given in authorized_keys
    PermitRootLogin without-password
    ForceCommand /usr/sbin/etckeeper_git_shell
# Section for administrative access
Match Address 2001:db8:ba69::/48,192.0.2.0/24,201.0.113.2/32
    PermitRootLogin yes
    GSSAPIAuthentication yes
    PubkeyAuthentication yes
    MaxAuthTries 10
    X11Forwarding yes
    AllowTcpForwarding yes
    AllowAgentForwarding yes
-----
```

Reload sshd on both servers:

```
# service ssh reload
```

Create a passwordless ssh key on both servers as root, and copy the public part of the key to `/root/.ssh/authorized_keys`.

```
# mkdir /root/.ssh
# ssh-keygen -f /root/.ssh/id_gitserv_rsa -t rsa -q -N ''
# vi /root/.ssh/config
```

and set contents of ssh config as follows, changing Host as appropriate:

```
-----
Host dms3-dr*
IdentityFile ~/.ssh/id_gitserv_rsa
```

-----  
It is also a good idea to set up a /etc/hosts file entries on each server.

Set up /root/.ssh/authorized\_keys:

-----  
# mkdir /root/.ssh  
# cat - > /root/.ssh/authorized\_keys  
-----  
Cut and paste /root/.ssh/id\_gitserve\_rsa.pub from other machine into above,  
finishing with ^D. Then do vice-versa, to make the other direction  
functional.

Check that things work on both hosts:

```
# ssh -l root dms4-dr  
Rejected  
Connection to dms4-dr closed.
```

etc.

Note: Stopping ssh and running sshd from the commandline '/usr/sbin/sshd -d' on  
one, and then using 'ssh -vl root' on the other (and vice versa) is very  
useful  
for connection debugging.

2) Git remote set up to pair up /etc archives.

As root do:

```
dms3-master# git remote add dms4-dr ssh://dms4-dr.devel.net.nz/etc
```

and vice versa

Check that both work by executing:

```
dms3-master:/etc# git fetch --quiet dms4-dr
```

and vice versa

3) Set up crond.

Edit the file /etc/cron.d/dms-core, uncomment the line for git fetch, and  
set  
the remote name:

-----  
# Replicate etckeeper archive every 4 hours  
7 \*/4 \* \* \* root cd /etc && /usr/bin/git fetch --quiet dms4-dr  
-----

Do test each cron command by running it from the root command line.

racoон IPSEC set up

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The DMS system uses IPSEC to authenticate server access to the master servers,  
encrypting and/or integrity protecting the outgoing zone transfers, rndc  
and  
configuration rsync traffic.

This is only covering basic PSK set up. For X509 etc, see  
`/usr/share/doc/racoон/README.Debian`

On each machine, `dpkg-reconfigure racoon`, and choose the "racoон-tool"  
configuration method. Edit `/etc/racoон/racoон-tool.conf`, and add the  
machines

source IP address:

-----

```
connection(%default):
    src_ip: 192.168.102.2
    admin_status: disabled
```

-----

Add the other replica server and each DNS as a separate configuration  
fragment  
in `/etc/racoон/racoон-tool.conf.d`, named after the machine's short  
hostname:

-----

```
peer(192.168.102.2):
```

```
connection(dms4-dr-eth1):
    dst_ip: 192.168.102.2
    # defaults to esp
    # encaps: ah
    admin_status: enabled
```

-----

For the replica servers, if you want to inspect/control traffic select ah  
IPSEC  
encapsulation. Note, racoon-tool sets up a transport mode IPSEC connection  
if  
no src\_range/dst\_range parameters are given.

Transport mode does not encrypt ICMP traffic, as that can complicate  
UDP/TCP  
connection issues extensively.

Also enter a separate PSK in `/etc/racoон/psk.txt` for each IPSEC connection.

Each server has IPSEC configured and active to both the replica servers (master and DR). The master and replica have IPSEC configured as well. Both replica servers and 2 slaves should be PSK keyed with each other if DNSSEC authentication is to be used for the majority of slaves. This ensures that the DNSSEC CERT records can be propagated for use.

Useful racoon-tool commands are:

```
# racoon-tool vlist
# racoon-tool spddump
# racoon-tool saddump
# racoon-tool vup <connection name>
# racoon-tool vdown <connection name>
# racoon-tool reload
# racoon-tool restart.
```

Test the connection by pinging the far end - tests unencrypted reachability, and then telnet/netcat the different TCP ports used across the link. This will involve ports 873 (rsync), 953 (rndc/named), 53 (named) to each slave, and port 53 on the masters (from slave). Between both the replica servers (master and DR), port 5432 (postgresql) has to be reachable, as well as port 22 (ssh). Port 80 (http) for apt-get updates may also be involved.

#### PostgreSQL DB Setup and Master/Replica Configuration

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DB user and DB creation only has to happen on the initial master server, as it will be 'mirrored' to the replica once DB replication is established. The replica server will be configured to run in 'hot-standby' mode so that we can verify mirroring by read-only means using zone\_tool.

Though the master and replica can run the PGSQL dms cluster on port 5433 or other port, it is recommended to swap the ports with the main cluster, and revert the main cluster to manual start up.

Edit postgresql.conf /etc/postgresql/9.1/main and /etc/postgresql/9.1/dms, and swap the settings for 'port =', making dms port 5432.

Edit /etc/postgresql/9.1/main/start.conf, and set it to manual.

Stop postgresql, and start it, (restart will probably result in failure due to a port clash...):

```
# pg_ctlcluster 9.1 main stop
# service postgresql stop
```

```
# service postgresql start

Use etckeeper to migrate the configuration to the replica:

dms3-master:/etc# etckeeper commit

dms4-dr:/etc# git fetch dms3-master
dms4-dr:/etc/# git checkout dms3-master/master postgresql/9.1/main
postgresql/9.1/dms
dms4-dr:/etc# pg_ctlcluster 9.1 main stop
dms4-dr:/etc# service postgresql stop
dms4-dr:/etc# service postgresql start
```

On the master, set the DB passwords for the dms user and the ruser (they will be copied to the replica when mirroring is started):

```
root@dms3-master:/home/grantma# psql -U postgres dms
psql (9.1.4)
Type "help" for help.
```

```
dms=# \password ruser
Enter new password:
Enter it again:
dms=# \password dms
Enter new password:
Enter it again:
dms=# \q
```

Note: The psql database super user exists for cross OS/distro compatibility reasons.

Record the 2 passwords you have just set for reference. Put the ruser password in /etc/net24/pgpassfile on both machines, which is in the standard PGSQL format (see section 31.14 in "PostgreSQL 9.1.4 Documentation").

NB: You will have to alter the machine name and password. Use vi or vim as root to prevent permissions and ownership alteration.

Also edit /etc/net24/net24.conf, and set the dms db\_password for zone\_tool on both machines as zone\_tool uses password access unless user is in pg\_ident.conf

#### Connecting Replica and Starting Replication

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On the master, and replica, set the replication address in pg\_hba.conf:

```
dms3-master:/root# dms_admindb -r dms4-dr.devel.net.nz
dms4-dr:/root# dms_admindb -r dms3-master.devel.net.nz
```

```
Set up PGSQL recovery.conf, and start replica DB:
```

```
dms4-dr:/root# service postgresql stop
dms4-dr:/root# dms_pg_basebackup dms3-master.devel.net.nz
dms4-dr:/root# dms_write_recovery_conf dms3-master.devel.net.nz
dms4-dr:/root# service postgresql start
```

```
Note: The above is flipping DB replica functionality from the default DB
as
master
```

```
Check that replication is running by seeing if zone_tool can access default
configuration settings:
```

```
dms4-dr:/root# zone_tool show_config
root@dms4-dr:/home/grantma# zone_tool show_config
    auto_dnssec:      false
    default_ref:     net24
    default_sg:      net24-one
    default_stype:   bind9
    edit_lock:       false
    event_max_age:  120.0
    inc_updates:    false
    nsec3:           false
    soa_expire:     7d
    soa_minimum:    24h
    soa_mname:      ns1.net24.net.nz. (net24-one)
    soa_refresh:    7200
    soa_retry:      7200
    soa_rname:      soa.net24.net.nz.
    syslog_max_age: 120.0
    use_apex_ns:    true
    zi_max_age:    90.0
    zi_max_num:    25
    zone_del_age:  0.0
    zone_del_pare_age: 90.0
    zone_ttl:       24h
```

```
Master/Replica rsyncd setup
```

```
-----
```

```
Both the machines will have to rsync from one another, depending on which
is
running as the DR replica. So we are setting up rsync client passwords,
and
rsyncd configuration on one, and using the same settings on the other
machine.
```

```
Add the following to /etc/rsyncd.conf
```

```
-----
```

```
hosts allow = 2001:db8:f012:2::2/128 2001:db8:f012:2::3/128
```

```
secrets file = /etc/rsyncd.secrets

[dnsconf]
    path = /etc/bind/rsync-config
    uid=bind
    gid=bind
    comment = Slave server config area
    auth users = dnsconf
    use chroot = yes
    read only = no

[dnssec]
    path = /var/lib/bind/keys
    uid=bind
    gid=net24dmd
    comment = DNSSEC key data area
    auth users = dnssec
    use chroot = yes
    read only = no

-----
adjusting IP addresses as needed. And also set up the /etc/rsyncd.secrets
file:
```

```
-----
dnsconf:SuperSecret
dnssec:PlainlyNotSecret
-----
```

making it only readable by root:

```
# chown root:root /etc/rsyncd.secrets
# chmod 600 /etc/rsyncd.secrets
```

and set the passwords /etc/net24/rsync-dnssec-password and  
/etc/net24/rsync-dnsconf-password using vi to preserve permissions.

and enable the rsyncd daemon in /etc/default/rsync, and start the service.

```
# service rsync start
```

Use etckeeper to mirror the config to the replica:

```
dms3-master:/etc# etckeeper commit

dms4-dr:/etc# git fetch dms3-master
dms4-dr:/etc/# git checkout dms3-master/master rsyncd.secrets rsyncd.conf
/etc/default/rsync net24/rsync-dnsconf-password net24/rsync-dnssec-password
dms4-dr:/etc/# chmod 600 /etc/rsyncd.secrets
```

And start rsyncd on the replica as well.

Check that you can connect to the rsync port on one from the other machine,

and vice-versa.

```
root@dms4-dr:/home/grantma# telnet dms3-master rsync
Trying 192.168.101.2...
Connected to dms3-master.devel.net.nz.
Escape character is '^]'.
@RSYNCD: 30.0
^]c

telnet> c
Connection closed.
root@dms4-dr:/home/grantma#
```

Lets create the master sg, and disabled replica servers (DMS master and DR),  
and check that the DR slave named config can be rsynced.

```
dms3-master:/etc/# zone_tool
zone_tool > create_sg -p net24-master /etc/net24/server-config-templates
2001:db8:f012:2::2 2001:db8:f012:2::3
zone_tool > create_server -g net24-master dms4-dr 2001:db8:f012:2::2
zone_tool > create_server -g net24-master dms3-master 2001:db8:f012:2::3
zone_tool > rsync_server_admin_config dms4-dr no_rndc
zone_tool >

dms4-dr:/etc/# zone_tool
zone_tool > rsync_server_admin_config dms3-master no_rndc
zone_tool >
```

Look in /var/log/syslog on the rsyncd server to debug issues.

#### Setting up rsyslog on Master and Replica

---

On the master, create the file /etc/rsyslog.d/00network.conf with the contents:

```
-----
# provides UDP syslog reception
$ModLoad imudp
$UDPServerRun 514

# provides TCP syslog reception
$ModLoad imtcp
$InputTCPServerRun 514

##$AllowedSender UDP, [2001:470:c:110e::2]
##$AllowedSender TCP, [2001:470:c:110e::2]
##$AllowedSender UDP, [2001:470:66:23::2]
##$AllowedSender TCP, [2001:470:66:23::2]
##$AllowedSender UDP, [fd14:828:ba69:1:21c:f0ff:fefaf3c0]
##$AllowedSender TCP, [fd14:828:ba69:1:21c:f0ff:fefaf3c0]
-----
```

```
All replica and slave DNS servers will have to be entered into this file.
```

```
Also alter the file /etc/rsyslog.d/pgsql and change the contents to:
```

```
-----
### Configuration file for rsyslog-pgsql
### Changes are preserved
```

```
$ModLoad ompgsql
local7.* /var/log/local7.log
local7.* :ompgsql:/var/run/postgresql,dms,rsyslog,
-----
The default configuration propagated to the DMS servers uses local7 as the
named logging facility.
```

```
Setting up Bind9 master DNS server
```

```
-----
Copy the bind configuration segments from
/usr/share/doc/dms-core/examples/bind
to the /etc/bind directory:
```

```
root@dms3-master:/etc/bind# cp /usr/share/doc/dms-core/examples/bind .
root@dms3-master:/etc/bind# chgrp bind named-dr-replica.conf
named.conf.options named.conf.local
```

```
Create all the required TSIG rndc and dynamic DNS update keys, and generate
required /etc/bind/rndc.conf:
```

```
root@dms3-master:/etc/bind# zone_tool generate_tsig_key -f update-ddns
hmac-sha256 update-session.key
root@dms3-master:/etc/bind# zone_tool generate_tsig_key -f rndc-key
hmac-md5 rndc-local.key
root@dms3-master:/etc/bind# zone_tool generate_tsig_key -f remote-key
hmac-md5 rndc-remote.key
root@dms3-master:/etc/bind# zone_tool write_rndc_conf -f
root@dms3-master:/etc/bind# cp -a rndc-remote.key
/etc/net24/server-admin-config/bind9
root@dms3-master:/etc/bind# cp rndc-remote.key /etc/bind/rsync-config
```

```
Add a line to /etc/default/bind9 to get rid of the default rndc.key to stop
rndc complaining:
```

```
-----
# Get rid of default bind9 rndc.key, that debian install scripts always
# generate Stops rndc complaining:
rm -f /etc/bind/rndc.key

# run resolvconf?
RESOLVCONF=no
```

```

# startup options for the server
OPTIONS="-u bind"
-----
Create 2 empty named.conf include files that will be overwritten by
net24dmd,
on both machines (master and replica):
# touch /etc/bind/master-config/server-acl.conf
# touch /etc/bind/master-config/zones.conf
# chown net24dmd:bind /etc/bind/master-config/*
Restart named to make sure all is good:
root@dms3-master:/etc/bind# service bind9 stop
root@dms3-master:/etc/bind# service bind9 start
root@dms3-master:/etc/bind# rndc status
version: 9.8.1-P1
CPUs found: 1
worker threads: 1
number of zones: 5
debug level: 0
xfers running: 0
xfers deferred: 0
soa queries in progress: 0
query logging is OFF
recursive clients: 0/0/1000
tcp clients: 0/100
server is up and running

Enable net24dmd, the dynamic DNS update and DMS event daemon by editing
/etc/default/net24dmd, setting NET24DMD_ENABLE=true, and start it:
root@dms3-master:/etc# vi /etc/bind/net24dmd
root@dms3-master:/etc# service net24dmd start
[ ok ] Starting net24dmd: net24dmd.
root@dms3-master:/etc# service net24dmd status
[ ok ] net24dmd is running.

Enable the master server so that the server SM can monitor named on the
machine:
root@dms3-master:/etc# zone_tool enable_server dms3-master

This means that when net24dmd is started, it will set up an index in the
Master
SM in the DB to the Master server in the ServerSM table (important for
keeping
track of where the master is for human output and ServerSM functionality -
uses
machines actual network addresses cf. master_address and
master_alt_address in

```

```
replica SG)
```

And make sure you can create a domain:

```
root@dms3-master:/etc/bind# zone_tool create_zone foo.bar.org
root@dms3-master:/etc/bind# zone_tool show_zone foo.bar.org
$TTL 24h
$ORIGIN foo.bar.org.

;

; Zone:      foo.bar.org.
; Reference: net24
; zi_id:     1
; ctime:     Mon Jul  2 11:30:26 2012
; mtime:     Mon Jul  2 11:31:03 2012
; ptime:     Mon Jul  2 11:31:03 2012
;

;| Apex resource records for foo.bar.org.
;!REF:net24
@           IN      SOA      ( ns1.net24.net.nz. ;Master
NS                                     soa.net24.net.nz. ;RP email
                                         2012070200 ;Serial
                                         yyyyymmddnn
                                         7200      ;Refresh
                                         7200      ;Retry
                                         604800   ;Expire
                                         86400
;Minimum/Ncache
                                         )
                                         IN      NS      ns2.net24.net.nz.
                                         IN      NS      ns1.net24.net.nz.

root@dms3-master:/etc/bind# zone_tool show_zonesm foo.bar.org
name:          foo.bar.org.
alt_sg_name:   None
auto_dnssec:   False
ctime:         Mon Jul  2 11:30:26 2012
deleted_start: None
edit_lock:     False
edit_lock_token: None
inc_updates:   False
lock_state:    EDIT_UNLOCK
mtime:         Mon Jul  2 11:30:26 2012
nsec3:         False
reference:    net24
soa_serial:   2012070200
sg_name:      net24-one
state:        PUBLISHED
use_apex_ns:  True
```

```
zi_candidate_id: 1
zi_id: 1
zone_id: 1
zone_type: DynDNSZoneSM
zi_id: 1
ctime: Mon Jul  2 11:30:26 2012
mtime: Mon Jul  2 11:31:03 2012
ptime: Mon Jul  2 11:31:03 2012
soa_expire: 7d
soa_minimum: 24h
soa_mname: ns1.net24.net.nz.
soa_refresh: 7200
soa_retry: 7200
soa_rname: soa.net24.net.nz.
soa_serial: 2012070200
soa_ttl: None
zone_id: 1
zone_ttl: 24h
```

```
root@dms3-master:/etc/bind# dig -t AXFR +noall +answer foo.bar.org
@localhost
foo.bar.org. 86400 IN SOA ns1.net24.net.nz. soa.net24.net.nz. 2012070200
7200 7200 604800 86400
foo.bar.org. 86400 IN NS ns1.net24.net.nz.
foo.bar.org. 86400 IN NS ns2.net24.net.nz.
foo.bar.org. 86400 IN SOA ns1.net24.net.nz. soa.net24.net.nz. 2012070200
7200 7200 604800 86400
root@dms3-master:/etc/bind# zone_tool delete_zone foo.bar.org
```

Reflect the bind directory to the DR via etckeeper:

```
root@dms3-master:/etc# etckeeper commit
```

```
root@dms4-dr:/etc# git fetch dms3-master
root@dms4-dr:/etc# git checkout dms3-master/master bind
root@dms4-dr:/etc# git checkout dms3-master/master default/bind9
```

Setting UP DR bind9 slave server on Replica

```
-----
Edit /etc/net24/server-admin-config/bind9/controls.conf and add each
masters IP
address to the uncommented inet allow line. IPv4 address will have to be
prefixed with '::ffff:' as by default Linux binds v6 sockets to IPv4.
```

Rsync the admin config from the master to the DR replica, not doing any  
rndc  
reconfig:

```
root@dms3-master:/etc# zone_tool rsync_server_admin_config dms4-dr no_rndc
```

Copy the /etc/net24/server-admin-config/bind9 directory to  
/etc/bind/rsync-config

```
root@dms3-master:/etc# cp -a /etc/net24/server-admin-config/bind9/*  
/etc/bind/rsync-config  
root@dms3-master:/etc# chown bind:bind /etc/bind/rsync-config/*
```

Reflect the bind directory to the DR via etckeeper:

```
root@dms3-master:/etc# etckeeper commit
```

```
root@dms4-dr:/etc# git fetch dms3-master  
root@dms4-dr:/etc# git checkout dms3-master/master  
net24/server-admin-config
```

To apply permissions on master to replica:

```
root@dms4-dr:/etc# git checkout dms3-master/master .etckeeper  
root@dms4-dr:/etc# etckeeper init  
root@dms4-dr:/etc# etckeeper commit
```

On the replica, Edit /etc/default/bind9, adding '-c  
/etc/bind/named-dr-replica.conf' to OPTIONS, and restart named.

```
root@dms4-dr:/etc# service bind9 restart
```

On the master, enable the DR replica server in the replica SG:

```
root@dms3-master:/etc# zone_tool enable_server dms4-dr
```

Check by switching between master and replica:

```
root@dms3-master:/etc# dms_master_down
```

```
root@dms4-dr:/etc# dms_promote_replica
```

```
root@dms3-master:/etc# dms_start_as_replica dms4-dr.devel.net.nz
```

Wait for synchronisation to be shown 15 - 20 minutes:

```
root@dms4-dr:/etc# zone_tool show_replica_sg -v  
sg_name: net24-replica  
config_dir: /etc/net24/server-config-templates  
master_address: 192.168.101.2  
master_alt_address: 192.168.102.2  
replica_sg: True  
sg_id: 2  
zone_count: 0
```

Slave Servers:

dms4-dr	192.168.102.2
---------	---------------

OK

dms3-master	192.168.101.2
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OK

and switch back as above.

Importing Zones to DMS system

---

Set the default settings shown in zone\_tool show\_config on the DMS master.

```
root@dms3-master:/etc# zone_tool show_config
root@dms3-master:/etc# zone_tool set_config soa_mname ns1.foo.bar.net
root@dms3-master:/etc# zone_tool set_config soa_rname soa.foo.bar.net
root@dms3-master:/etc# zone_tool set_config default_sg foo-bar-net
root@dms3-master:/etc# zone_tool set_config default_ref foo-bar-net
root@dms3-master:/etc# zone_tool show_apex_ns
root@dms3-master:/etc# zone_tool edit_apex_ns
```

Create all required reverse zone on the master, setting the zone\_tool create\_zone inc\_updates flag argument so that auto reverse zone records can be created and managed.

```
root@dms3-master:/etc# zone_tool create_zone 2001:2e8:2012::/32 inc_updates
```

Import all the zones. First of all, load the apex zone which contains the ns1/ns2 records with no\_update\_apex\_ns, then load all the rest. Its an idea to

have a look at the edit\_lock flag at the same time for those top zone(s).

Note

that zone\_tool load\_zones requires all files to be named by full domain name.

```
root@dms3-master:/some/dir/with/zone/files# zone_tool load_zone foo.bar.net
foo.bar.net no_use_apex_ns edit_lock
root@dms3-master:/some/dir/with/zone/files# zone_tool load_zones *
```

Setting up WSGI on apache

---

Include the /etc/net24/dms-wsgi-apache.conf fragment into the file /etc/apache2/sites-available/default-ssl

Set the apache log level to info, delete the cgi-bin section, and set up the SSL certificates.

Create the htpasswd file /etc/net24/htpasswd-dms, and set the passwords for admin-dms, net24-dms, 1stdomains-dms WSGI users.

Use a2ensite and a2dissite to enable the SSL default site

```
# a2dissite default
```

```
# a2ensite default-ssl

Reload apache2

# service apache2 reload

Reflect configuration as above to DR partner server

Check that it functions by using curl on the master server:

# cd /tmp
# cp -a /usr/share/doc/dms-core/examples/wsgi-json-testing .
# cd wsgi-json-testing

Edit json-test.sh so that it works for you, re URLs and user/password.
test4.jsonrpc uses list_zone, so try that first to check WSGI is live.

# ./json-test.sh test4

It may take a while before anything shows up if you have imported tens of
thousands of zone. Full error information will be shown in the configured
apache error log /var/log/apache2/error.log. You can also try some of the
other example tests as well after editing them for the current setup.

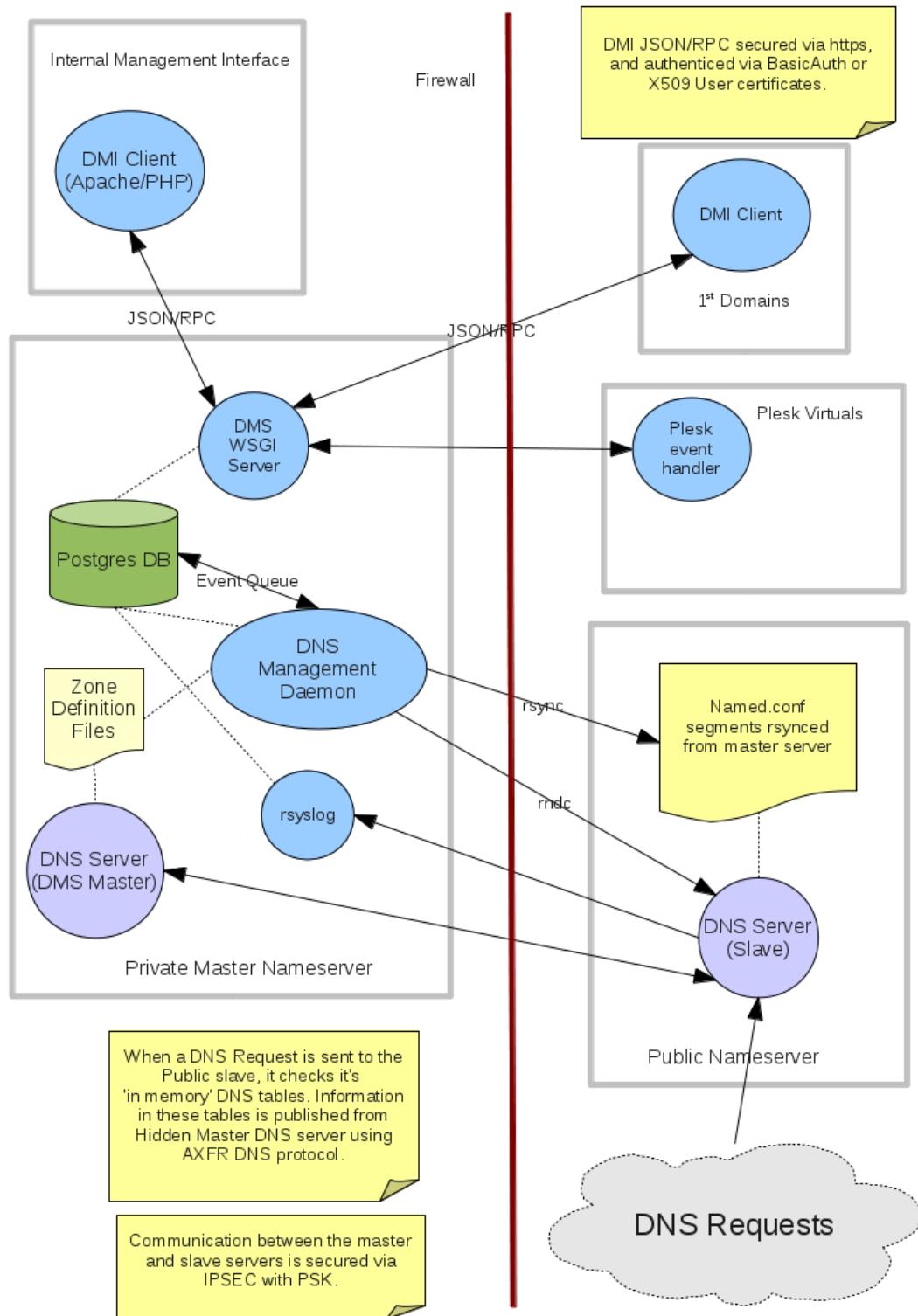
NOTE: Also try some of the readonly tests on the other DR partner server to
make sure WSGI is functional there.
```

```
-- Matthew Grant <matthew.grant@net24.co.nz> Mon, 18 Jun 2012 12:44:48  
+1200
```

## **Original Architecture Documentation**

### **DMS and DNS Architecture (2011)**

#### **Architecture**



## Languages

Looked quickly at comparison of language strengths, from PHP, Python, Perl, Ruby to Java. Python fits in best for the net24dmd. Has right mix of low level with library, combined with the string flexibility of Perl, dynamic typing, scalability, and a coherent data syntax and memory model. A lot of Pythons odd things like the 'self' parameter in

class methods is built around the internals that make it more scalable than the syntactical fuzziness of Perl. It also does not have the obtuse execution requirements of Java, and is flexible enough on the outside to be completely unix daemon-like.

The thing we will have to watch is the code duplication between the PHP in net24dms, and net24dmd. If there is going to be a lot of common object code, it is better writing net24dms on top of the classes and framework in net24dmd.

#### ***Language for DNS Manager Daemon***

Python 3.x has been chosen as 1st candidate with a fallback to latest python 2.7/2.8 if that proves to be too difficult. This will provide a longer life cycle for the code before it has to be updated for a newer Python. The ability to thread which enables a robust task per child-thread execution model, and Python SQLAlchemy Database ORM are key considerations for this.

#### **DNS server software**

Decided to go forward using ISC Bind 9 as DNSSEC is on the way, and Bind 9 will be the software used to roll this out. Other implementations of DNS software exist, Netlabs NL NSD3 is one, but it looks more suited to a TLD registry and large site/domain use than for DNS Provider use for small zones.

Bind 9.7.3 has just been released, which is a bug fix version, which includes bug fixes for Dynamic update DNSSEC master mode. I will get this installed on the test master server for anathoth.net and anathoth.org

The DNS server state machine classes will be designed so that NL Netlabs nsd 3.x can be added latter on. The design should also be able to accept a machine running openDNSSEC zone signing daemon being added later on. This will be achieved by the use of state machine design, and code modularity. A war will declared on spaghetti and noodles.

#### **Backend Database.**

PosgresQL will be used for this. I have used both MySQL and PostgresQL, and PostgresQL has proven to be the most flexible due to the maturity of its transactional design.

#### **DMI Server/Clients**

The old PHP API will be adapted and used for this. Some code may be reusable if its API is basically what is needed. Otherwise, it is probably better to start again.

#### **Hidden Master Management software**

Will use state machine and event queue design, with state and event information recorded in PostgresQL. State machines will exist for each:

- DNS zone to track life-cycle state of zone
- DNS server to track its availability, and another to track its name server reload cycles.

#### **Event Queue**

Shall be able to process multiple events at once, up to a specified maximum number of threads. Python has a Global memory lock, but must threads will block on outside file descriptors, or during C API calls. Concurrency in the processing of events will be handled via the event state machine. There will be a hierarchy of result codes for each event, with some indicating a retry later on. This will be done to accommodate resources being temporarily unavailable.

An event queue for the DMD will exist in the database. This will be used to post events to create a zone, delete a zone, reload name server configuration etc. Each event will process its own python thread, and its parameters status, and results recorded in the event record. The event table structure will contain a parameters column and results column with input and output encoded in JSON that maps easily to python native data structures.

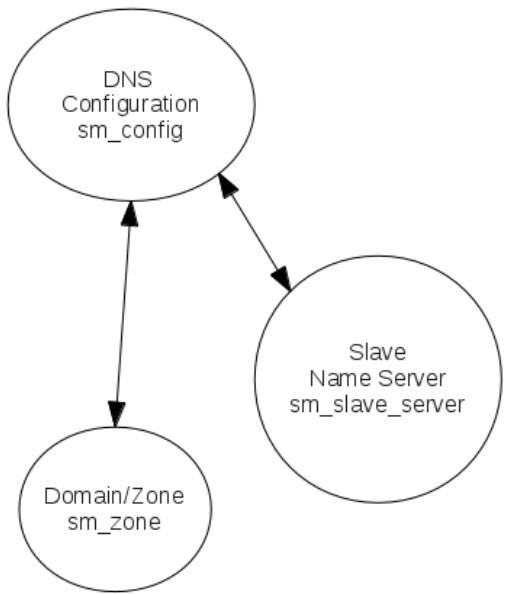
Event creation, processing start and completion time would be recorded in separate columns, along with host name information. This can then be combined with the databased name server log messages, and DMD log output so that problems can start to be diagnosed from the DMD console web page.

## **State Machine Types**

There are 5 state machine types we need for DMS.

#sm\_event - An Event state machine that is used on the message queue for net24dmd,  
#sm\_zone - a zone state machine for configuring a domain into the hidden master name server,  
#sm\_masterns - a master name server state machine for its configuration and control,  
#sm\_slavens - a slave name serve state machine for its configuration and control,  
#sm\_zonestatus - a zone status state machine for indicating to users what is happening with their zones,  
#sm\_config - an overall configuration state machine for the net24dmd program.

They are related as follows:



The arrows represent event flows between the different state machine types. The Event SM is not connected to any as it is present on the message queue.

Each state machine class is instantiated as a callable Python object, taking an event name as an argument. Internally, each transition is implemented as a hidden method, indexed into a state/event dictionary structure that emulates a 2D array. The state of the object can be queried via public methods.

## Logging.

Bind will be set up to log significant information to rsyslog, which will then be feed into the management database. The DMD daemon will also log status, information and debug messages into the same tables for administration and triage purposes.

## **Network and Host**

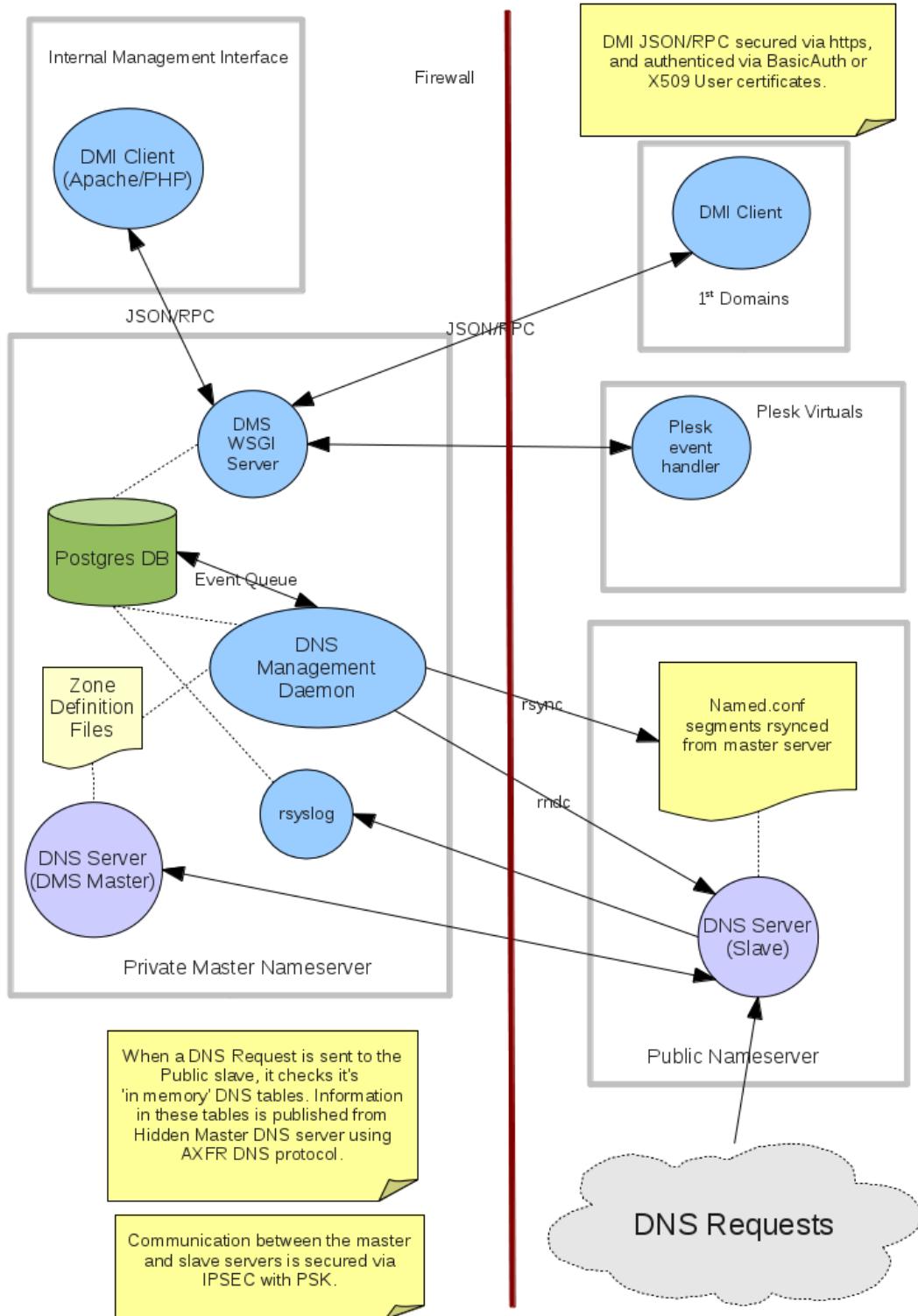
DNS Master server will be a hidden master behind the firewall at Net24.

## **Network protocols and security**

DNS and logging traffic between the slave servers outside Net24 will be secured using IPSEC with PSK keying. ipfw filtering and IPSEC SAs will be used to control the traffic that the slave servers accept from the network and Internet. IPSEC SAs will distinguish between public DNS traffic, and zone update and port 53 administrative traffic, and secure the latter. Ie, DNS Traffic from the Master DNS server will be secured using IPSEC. This keeps all the cryptographic verbiage out of the DNS server configurations, and makes them a lot simpler to generate from templates. IP numbers and acls may need to be inserted in the named.conf files to identify the designation of administrative control and updates from the MAster DNS server, but this is a lot easier than having to track of lot of configuration details about TSIG/SIG0 keys for each individual master-slave relationship, and where they are used....

## **Web UI Framework.**

The Web GUI for the DMI will be rendered using ExtJS. Check logic, and business logic will be separated out and not mixed in (as much as possible) with the UI. This is basically a Mode View Controller programming model.



## Configuration State Machine

### Configuration State Machine

#### Writing out configuration sections

There are 2 directories in the net24 CONFIG\_DIR, 'master-config-templates' and 'slave-config-templates'. The master directory contains per zone type templates for bind9, and the slave directory per name server type templates for publishing to slave servers over rsync. The configuration files are assembled into various directories, /etc/(bind|namedb)/master-config on the master server, and (/usr/local/net24/var|var/lib/net24)/default-ssg-config. Multiple slave server group capability will be added later.

## Seeding DNS Zone File Contents for Dynamic DNS

When a Dynamic DNS zone is first configured, the contents of the zone is published into the bind9 dynamic directory, before the server is configured, which then generates a dyndns-engine update to take it to the PUBLISHED state. That way, there is far less work when getting the zone to work. Any how, for the server to accept the dynamic configuration, a seed file of the apex records for the zone has to be present, so this is an obvious thing to do.

## Grouping of Slave Servers

When running multiple slave servers, the zone does not need to be published on all of them. 4-6 servers are sufficient for any one zone. So when we get 20 servers going, it would pay to balance the load across them by spreading the DNS domains around.

## Config State Machine

This drives the whole process. After a zone is enabled/disabled, or added/removed, an event is posted on the event queue which triggers the DNS server configuration update process. The main config state machine synchronously executes the master server state machine to configure it, writes each slave server group configuration out, and then triggers each slave server state machine to propagate the updates.

## Features and Functional Requirements

### DMS/XCMS framework

This functionality previously found in the DMS program, and has become a representation in the database, achieved through record states. It is manipulated using the XCMS PHP framework generated from Anton's XCMS tool.

1. ~~Delayed record changes~~
2. ~~Delayed record removal~~
3. Ability to disable records
4. ~~GEO-DNS?~~
5. Tags / Descriptions
6. ~~Better support for huge zones~~
7. ~~Add/Remove zone affected records only rather than remove all and create new records for every single change.~~
8. ~~Add flag to convert all RDNs in response to FQDNs (something like OutputFQDNs)~~
9. ~~Zone rollback (and forward)~~
10. ~~Server Failover~~
11. Add more record types (LOC, SRV (must not point to cname?), SFP TXT)
12. DNSSEC support (future - no UI currently)

### DMI

1. Ajax when adding / editing records
2. Tags / Descriptions
3. Different views: list view, grouped by tags, grouped by record type.
4. Zone Dump Page

5. ~~DNSSEC Key data dump page(s)~~

6. ~~Record Stats~~

7. ~~Record visibility check~~

## Uncategorised

- ~~Blackout hosted page/site\*\* customer can edit live~~
  - ~~dns record changed automatically~~
  - ~~alerting via SMS (buy credits?), email~~
  - ~~maintainence windows~~
- ~~GeoDNS\*\* respond with ip based on source of query~~
- ~~Reporting\*\* top zones by query~~
  - ~~recent changes~~
  - ~~most modified zone~~
- Versioning
  - Undo
  - roll back multiple versions
- ~~Record scheduling\*\* change / add / delete~~
- Custom TTLs - Admin function only
  - Reset ttl after x hours/days
- ~~Front page\*\* dashboard overview~~
- Access control
  - zone level logins (login with zone name for full read or write access)
  - master administrator user account for each customer with sub user access control. Create sub users with permissions levels on assigned zones. (assign zones to a user and then set access level eg. read / write / modify / other types)  
\*\*
- ~~API for customers\*\* Access to API is controlled by IP address. Customer defines system which will access API. Allow single IP only (not network) set limited number.~~
  - ~~API function is control by access controls area. A user is given API access what the user can do is defined by access control for that user~~
- IPv6 - Must Support
- ~~Wizards\*\* zone importer from file~~
  - ~~zone importer from another name server; wizard will show config needed on server to allow access for zone transfer~~
  - ~~SPF Record Wizard Creator~~
- ~~UI Functions\*\* Zone cloning - create a new zone from existing zone~~
  - ~~Zone templates - create a new zone from a template~~
  - ~~Clone record - create duplicate of existing record~~
  - ~~Record visibility checker - click on record and ajax will perform query on several international dns servers, check the visibility and report OK or FAIL and will display TTL information from queried name server. This allows customer to see when record will be visible by this name server.~~
- UI Feel
  - Ajax driven zone management page for add / remove and changes
- ~~Query Tools\*\* whois~~
  - ~~Dig~~

- Scalability
  - ~~System must handle million+ zones~~
  - ~~Single set of name servers may not be sufficient. Only X number of zones per server, then provision new server with different name server names. Example:~~

```

ns1.us.globaldns.net
ns1.au.globaldns.net
ns1.nz.globaldns.net
ns1.uk.globaldns.net
..
ns23.us.globaldns.net
ns23.au.globaldns.net
ns23.nz.globaldns.net
ns23.uk.globaldns.net

```

~~Customers don't care, since they use private name server names (their own hostnames for nameservers)~~

- ~~Single server should be able to handle 100,000 zones based on load from 1stdomains and RegisterDirect system.~~

- Reliability
  - System must provide 100% uptime. DNS is critical and can not fail.
  - DoS - a zone could get DoS'd and affect all other zones on same systems. What can be done to minimise this? If this is DDoS this could be very hard to combat. The best protection against a DoS is to prevent it occurring in the first place, this means not hosting zones which could be subject to DoSs. Eg. Porn zones, militant sites, warez, IRC, crackers, hackers zones etc.

## Setting up FreeBSD Slave DNS server

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Procedure for setting up FreeBSD as a DNS slave server. This is using FreeBSD built in bind 9.6.x as no special features are required to serve DNSSEC signed zones.

#### Install FreeBSD

Proceed as normal, install the standard system with kernel sources for later rebuilding kernel for IPSEC. This can be done later on via sysinstall, adding FreeBSD base source, and kernel sources.

#### Add useful packages.

Quickest way is to go via sysinstall, Configure|Packages, for shells/bash, security/sudo, sysutils/screen (useful for doing builds over long distance ssh), editors/vim-lite, net/rsync etc.

#### IPSEC enabling host.

##### *IPSEC Tools for racoon/setkey*

For ipsec-tools install from /usr/ports to specially 0.7.x. Select ADMINPORT (this will be used in the future by racoon-tool), IPv6, STATS, DEBUG(useful when things don't want to talk), DPD, NATT, FRAG, HYBRID, SAUNSPEC.

## ***IPSEC kernel***

Configuring FreeBSD kernel for IPSEC

Follow instructions for building a custom kernel:

### Custom kernel install

Do the following:

```
# cd /usr/src/sys/amd64/conf  
# cp GENERIC IPSEC
```

and append the following to the bottom

```
# IPSEC support  
options IPSEC      #IP security  
device crypto # Cryptography device  
device enc          # To allow use to filter and use tcpdump  
options IPSEC_DEBUG # IPSEC debugging  
# PF extras  
device pf  
device pflog  
device pfsync
```

which turns on kernel IPSEC and pf network filtering.

Do:

```
# cd /usr/src  
# screen  
# make buildkernel KERNCONF=IPSEC  
# make installkernel KERNCONF=IPSEC
```

Reboot of course to pick up new kernel.

## ***racoon-tool***

Install the net24 ports tree, and Makefile.local:

```
# screen  
# cd /usr/ports  
# git clone https://git.devel.net.nz/freebsd-ports/net24.git  
# echo "SUBDIR += net24" > Makefile.local  
# make index
```

and go and get 2 cups of tea.

```
# cd net24/security/racoon-tool  
# make install
```

## Setting Up PostgresQL 9.0+

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Install Postgresql from the ports tree, or apt repository, version 9.0 or later.

On FreeBSD, edit /etc/login.conf, and add the following to the bottom of the default section:

```
:charset=UTF-8:\  
:lang=en_NZ.UTF-8:
```

Don't forget to add the '\' to the end of the last line to continue, and then run cap\_mkdb /etc/login.conf

Initialize the postgresql DB using:

```
# su - postgres  
$ initdb -D /usr/local/pgsql/data --locale=en_NZ.UTF-8 --encoding=UTF8  
$ createuser dms  
$ createuser -s <your-login>  
$ createdb dms  
$ psql template1  
$ ALTER USER dms ENCRYPTED PASSWORD 'ScoobyDoo';  
$ ALTER USER <your-login> ENCRYPTED PASSWORD 'Something-Super-Secret';
```

Then load the dms database schema from sql/dms-2011.sql

```
$ psql -U postgres < sql/dms-2011.sql
```

That schema also contains all the stored procedures and constraints/foreign-keys for the dms database.

### Development DB access

To make work easier and to enable Python DB stuff to work with less fuss add the following to /usr/local/pgsql/pg\_ident.conf:

# MAPNAME	SYSTEM-USERNAME	PG-USERNAME
net24	<login>	pgsql
net24	<login>	

And edit /usr/local/pgsql/data/pg\_hba.conf to be:

# TYPE	DATABASE	USER	CIDR-ADDRESS	METHOD
# "local" is for Unix domain socket connections only				
local	all	all		ident
map=net24				
# IPv4 local connections:				
host	all	all	127.0.0.1/32	md5
# IPv6 local connections:				
host	all	all	::1/128	md5

This turns on password checking for localhost IP access, and sets Unix socket connections from psql to have no passwords from the command line.

Of course you can also set the following environment variables in .profile/.bashrc

```
PGDATABASE="dms"
PGUSER="pgsql"
export PGUSER PGDATABASE
```

### Notes on SQL source code.

The schema was created by using pg\_dump:

```
pg_dump -U psql -s dms > sql/dms-2011.sql
```

Each stored procedure is defined in a separate SQL file in the sql subdirectory, and will redefine/replace the old stored procedure when loaded using \i from psql:

```
$ psql -U psql dms
dms=# \i sql/<stored-procedure-file>.sql
```

After doing this, create a new dump of the database schema:

```
$ pg_dump -U postgres -s dms > sql/dms-2011.conf
```

and commit it to git. This method of working with the SQL means that the schema dump will create the latest up to date database 'format'.

All the tables sequences, functions etc are created as user postgres, so that they are owned by the postgresql super user postgres, and the user dms has been granted SELECT,INSERT,DELETE,UPDATE on tables, and USAGE on sequences.

## Web User Interfaces

### Web User Interfaces

These will be based on [Sencha ExtJS](#), which is a Javascript application framework. An 'Outlook' like UI would be used consisting of a view dominating the page from the RHS, with a Tab Index on the LHS. The tabs of this would be at the top, and search results would be displayed in a tree like fashion below.

#### Customer UI

The tabbed views would consist of the Welcome page, Domains, Events, Preferences, and Tools. The Welcome page would have a summary of what's been happening, customers domain status and other summary information. The Events screen would show the recent events, error conditions, and other status information. The Preferences screen would contain some preferences for their account, their zone limit, and the number of zones they have, and a change password.

All panels including user preferences to link off top left tab for high UI consistency. This will help a lot with customer understanding of UI and verbal guidance of customers over the phone.

DNS Zone editing tab to be laid out like a modern spreadsheet, which is a UI paradigm that most customers would understand easily.

Zone search results would display below tab index on left, and screen on right would not change until zone clicked on.

Right panel display programming would be better not connected to tabs and view in left column, except for hints either way about what should be displaying on right. This will make code better structured.

Each DNS Zone would have a per zone records limit of about 1000 which can be adjusted from Help Desk/Admin UI.

#### Administrative UI

Same as above, except there would be 2 domain tabs, one per customer, and the other all domains we host. Also has tab for all customers, and their details. The customer details should also be accessible from the DNS customer zone view probably.

Integration with internal DNS registry DB? - could be useful if it could connect across to that one.

Administrative/favorites tab would be a good idea. Favorites would display as per search results.

#### Help Desk UI

This would be an adjusted version of the Administrative UI, with a different role access level. Phase one development it will just be a help desk UI with a different access role.