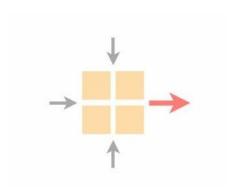
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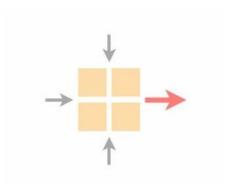
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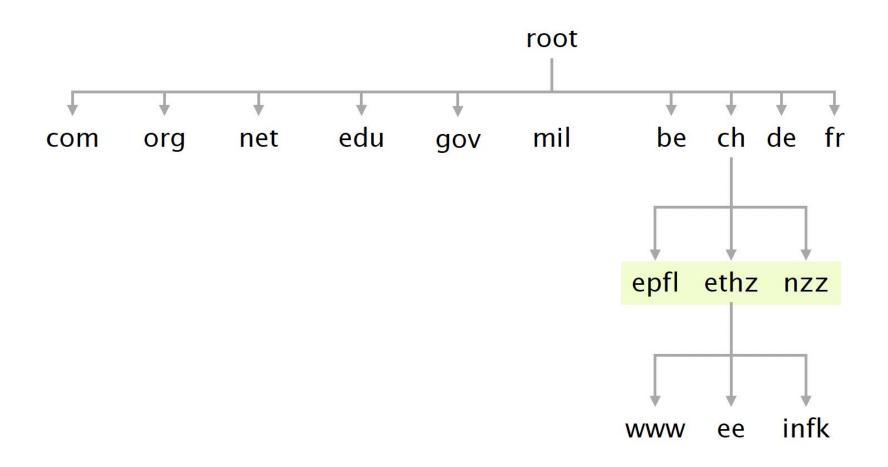


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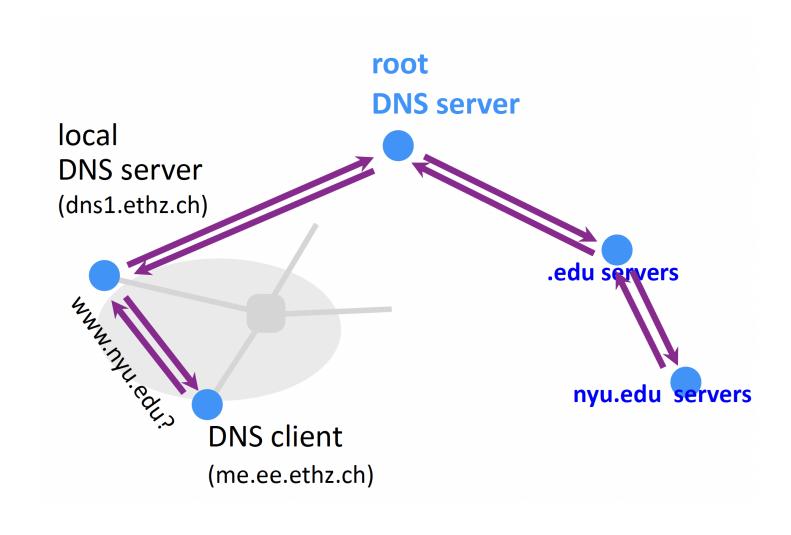
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Any TLD DNS server knows the authoritative DNS servers for its subdomains

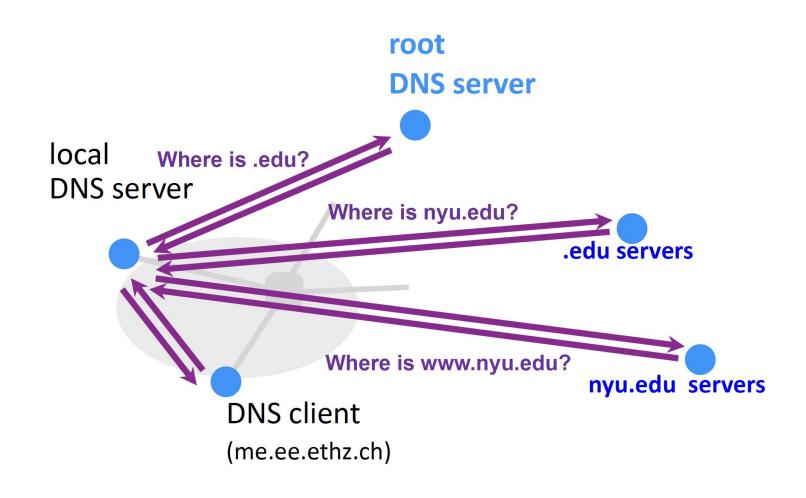


DNS resolution can either be recursive or iterative

A recursive resolver does all the work, and gets the final answer



An iterative resolver can resolve further, but instead returns a referral



Important Commands

dig –x <ip-addr> Reverse lookup for IP to DNS mapping

dig @<root> <domain> Perform a DNS query for a given domain

using a specific DNS root server

telnet <domain> <port> Test TCP connection to domain and port

ip route Show the routing table

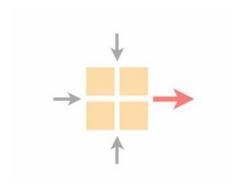
cat <file-path> Print file content

GET / HTTP/1.1 Request the homepage from the server

HOST: <domain> Specify the domain name of the server

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Task 11.1 Local vs. authoritative DNS server

To reduce resolution times, DNS relies on caching.

dig @<DNS-Server> <Domain Name>
nslookup <Domain Name> <DNS-Server>

Task 11.2 DNS basic (Exam 2019)

recursive or iterative

Task 11.3 HTTP host header

telnet comm-net.ethz.ch 80

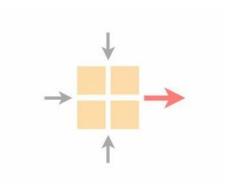
GET / HTTP/1.1

Host: comm-net.ethz.ch

Task 11.4 Loading a website (Exam 2017)

- Stylesheet www.your-shop.ch/style.css
- image www.your-shop.ch/logo.png
- image images.your-shop.ch/product.jpg
- Facebook like button cdn.facebook.com/like.png
- Facebook "tracking" code www.facebook.com/track.js
- Google "tracking" code www.google.com/track.js

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