

Upper limit values for DNS

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Upper limit values: Problem Statement

- Some parameters in DNS don't have clear upper limits
 - Number of Resource Records in an RRset
 - Number of RRSIG/DNSKEY/DS RRs in an RRSet
 - Number of NS, glue, ...
 - Number of CNAME/DNAME chains
 - Number of levels of unrelated only delegations
 - DNS packet size (≤ 65535)
- Without upper limits,
 - Easy to attack DNS aimed at resource depletion or DoS
 - Just prepare long CNAME chains, large RRsets (many RRs) in a zone
 - Several attack methods have been reported
 - KeyTrap, Tsunami, several DoS attacks
- This draft proposes reasonable upper limits for DNS protocols
- Intended status is "Best Current Practice"

Possible (proposed) upper limits

Name	proposal	use cases	implementation
DNS message size (without PQC)	≤ 1400		≤ 1232 on UDP
Number of Resource Records in a RRSet	≤ 13	. / com NS	≤ 100 (BIND)
Number of NS RRs at a delegation	≤ 13	. / com NS	
Number of glue RRs at a delegation	≤ 26	com glue	
Number of DS RRs at a delegation	≤ 3	need research	
Number of DNSKEY RRs in a DNSKEY RRSet	≤ 6	need research	
Number of RRSIG RRs for each name and type	≤ 2	need research	≤ 8 (Unbound)
Number of levels of unrelated only delegations	≤ 2	need research	
Number of CNAME/DNAME chains	≤ 3	10	≤ 11 (Unbound)

Recursive resolvers MAY/SHOULD respond with a name resolution error (Server Failure) if they receive responses from authoritative servers that exceed these limits.

Request

- This draft proposes aggressive upper limits in order to advance discussions on determining upper limit values in DNS protocol.
- This proposal is one countermeasure to yesterday's "Security Discussion Panel 1"
- Please read draft-fujiwara-dnsop-dns-upper-limit-values-01 and comment to dnsop@ietf.org
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