
Increasing DNSSEC visibility in a multi-signer environment using fake-root stack

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> Purpose

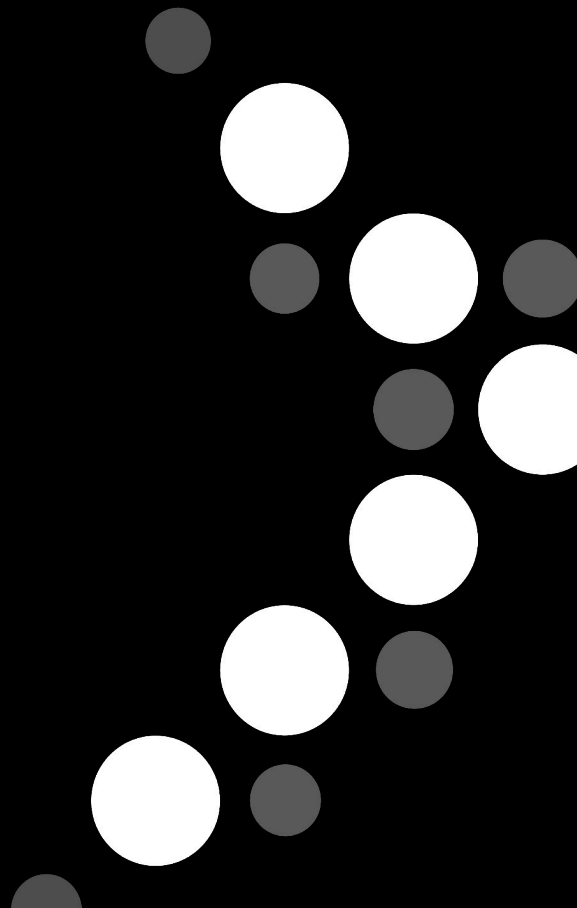
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Planning

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Future Work



-> Anticipate

-> Simulate

-> Visibility



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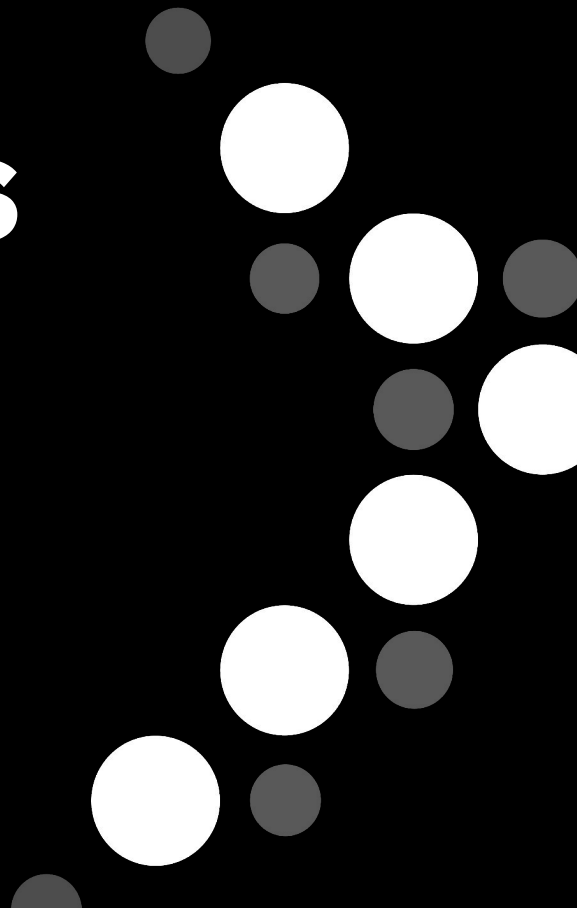
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- Recursive perspective
 - Use our data
 - **+Ad** bit
 - History
 - Automated
 - Presence in every environment of each site



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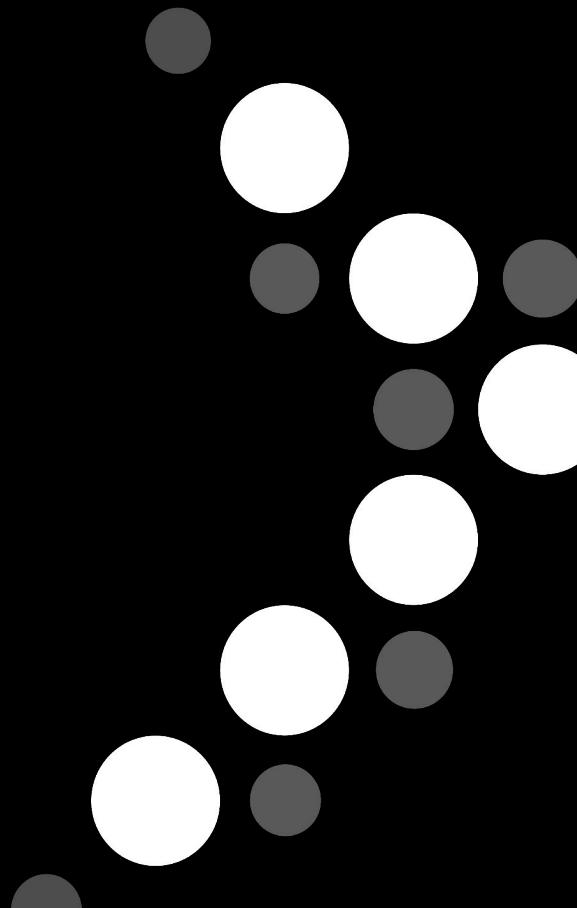
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One box solution | Containers

- **.(dot) auth server**
- **.nz auth server**
- **recursive server**
- **dnsviz**
- **nginx**

Monitoring of monitoring(Quis custodiet ipsos custodes)



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- .(dot) Auth Server + .nz Auth Server
 - Bind
 - DNS communication with real signers
 - Automatic resign
 - /24(IPv4) and /64(IPv6) networks
 - Recursive Server
 - Unbound
 - Custom root.hints and root.key
 - Cache enabled
 - /24(IPv4) and /64(IPv6) networks

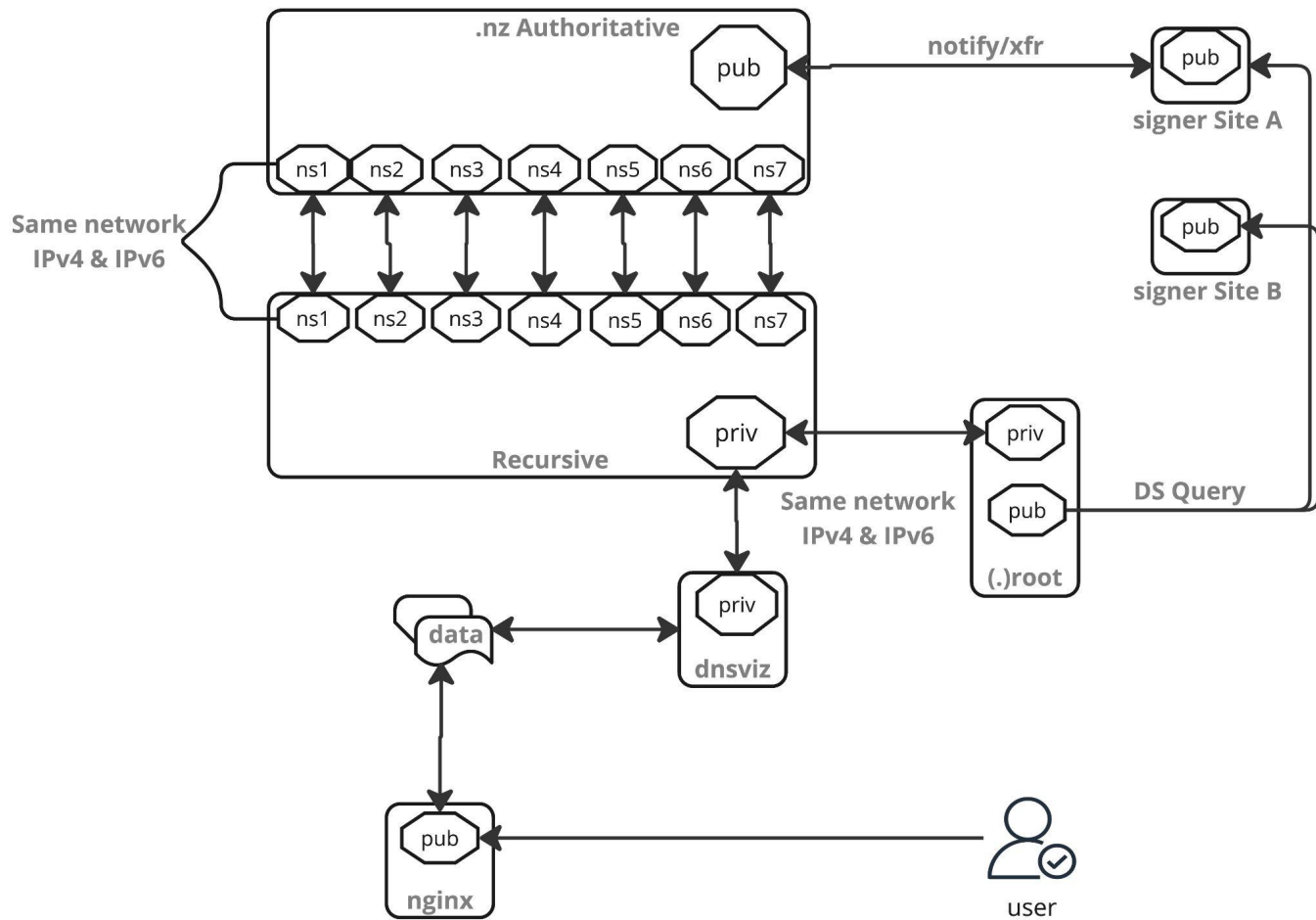


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- DNSViz
 - CRON job
 - Custom root.key
 - Recursive server
 - Query, probe, graph, grok
 - Nginx
 - HTML frontend



fake-root-stack

Network overview



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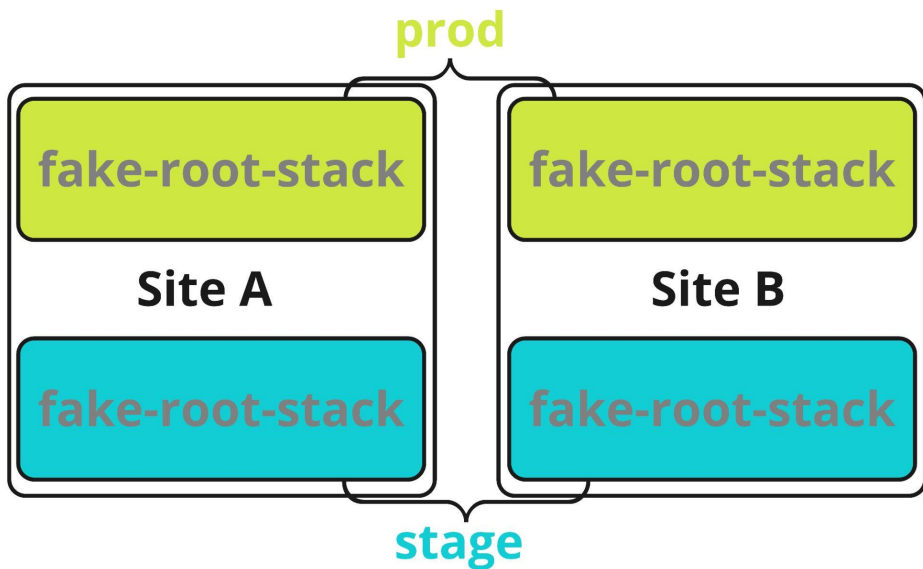
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- Ubuntu VM
- Git+ansible
- 2 sites, 2 environments



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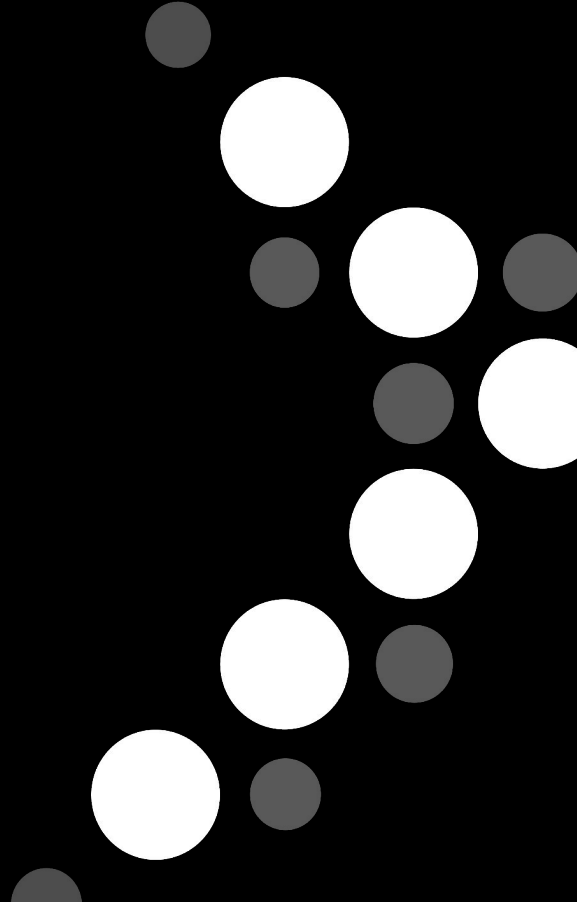
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1. Health of the fake-roots
 2. “Cut” the DNS communication
 3. Guard-rail
 4. **Active and Standby chains**



```
~ dig @9.9.9.9 net.nz SOA +dnssec +noall +answer +comments +multi
;; Got answer:
;; ->HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 58777
;; flags: qr rd ra ad; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 2, AUTHORITY: 0, ADDITIONAL: 1
```

```
;; OPT PSEUDOSECTION:
; EDNS: version: 0, flags: do; udp: 512
;; ANSWER SECTION:
net.nz. 3599 IN SOA loopback.dns.net.nz. soa.nzrs.net.nz. (
    2412222338 ; serial
    900 ; refresh (15 minutes)
    300 ; retry (5 minutes)
    604800 ; expire (1 week)
    3600 ; minimum (1 hour)
)
net.nz. 3599 IN RRSIG SOA 8 2 86400 (
    20250107120916 20241222231857 25788 net.nz.
    Ylodltv0w9n3p2dFuJP0J7xL8k0j6ZTAYy5RNOXwR76U
    TyLPoAZs03fQ/DQcqIJIInAb99BuFKyFhgX+1B+namLpA
    tKTbKM03YWP4z3YyC6sNk01o/iDN3zvU6nxGS4/V5XAc
    r2VifvaWXFtQbGCazZafcoDrn/T0u7TxMoT/EE0= )
```

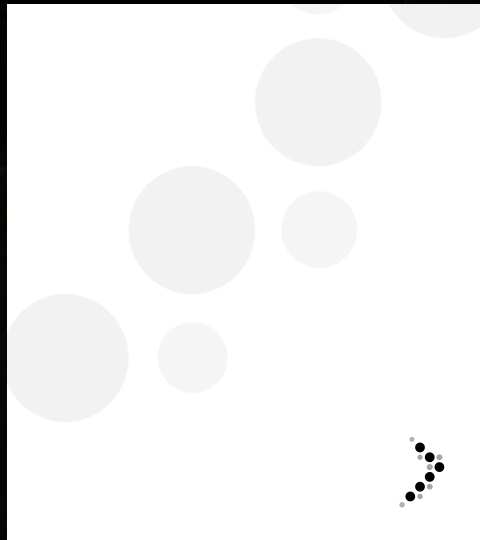
+ad Flag

```
~ dig @1.1.1.1 net.nz SOA +dnssec +noall +answer +comments +multi
;; Got answer:
;; ->HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 29744
;; flags: qr rd ra ad; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 2, AUTHORITY: 0, ADDITIONAL: 1
```

```
;; OPT PSEUDOSECTION:
; EDNS: version: 0, flags: do; udp: 1232
;; ANSWER SECTION:
net.nz. 86400 IN SOA loopback.dns.net.nz. soa.nzrs.net.nz. (
    2412222338 ; serial
    900 ; refresh (15 minutes)
    300 ; retry (5 minutes)
    604800 ; expire (1 week)
    3600 ; minimum (1 hour)
)
net.nz. 86400 IN RRSIG SOA 8 2 86400 (
    20250107120916 20241222231857 25788 net.nz.
    Ylodltv0w9n3p2dFuJP0J7xL8k0j6ZTAYy5RNOXwR76U
    TyLPoAZs03fQ/DQcqIJIInAb99BuFKyFhgX+1B+namLpA
    tKTbKM03YWP4z3YyC6sNk01o/iDN3zvU6nxGS4/V5XAc
    r2VifvaWXFtQbGCazZafcoDrn/T0u7TxMoT/EE0= )
```

Same Serial
2412222338

```
felipe@-prod-fr-1~$ dig @fr-recursive net.nz SOA +dnssec +noall +answer +comments +multi
;; Got answer:
;; ->HEADER<<- opcode: QUERY, status: NOERROR, id: 50624
;; flags: qr rd ra ad; QUERY: 1, ANSWER: 2, AUTHORITY: 0, ADDITIONAL: 1
;; OPT PSEUDOSECTION:
; EDNS: version: 0, flags: do; udp: 1232
;; ANSWER SECTION:
net.nz. 86400 IN SOA loopback.dns.net.nz. soa.nzrs.net.nz. (
    2412222338 ; serial
    900 ; refresh (15 minutes)
    300 ; retry (5 minutes)
    604800 ; expire (1 week)
    3600 ; minimum (1 hour)
)
net.nz. 86400 IN RRSIG SOA 8 2 86400 (
    20250107120916 20241222231857 25788 net.nz.
    Ylodltv0w9n3p2dFuJP0J7xL8k0j6ZTAYy5RNOXwR76U
    TyLPoAZs03fQ/DQcqIJIInAb99BuFKyFhgX+1B+namLpA
    tKTbKM03YWP4z3YyC6sNk01o/iDN3zvU6nxGS4/V5XAc
    r2VifvaWXFtQbGCazZafcoDrn/T0u7TxMoT/EE0= )
```



Tracing validation

```
$ dig @fr-root . dnskey +dnssec \  
> +multi +noall +answer \  
> | awk '$3 ~ /KSK/ { print "KSK:"$11}'  
KSK:47777  
$ dig @fr-root . dnskey +dnssec \  
> +multi +noall +answer \  
> | awk '$3 ~ /ZSK/ { print "ZSK:"$11}'  
ZSK:29136
```

```
$ drill -QTD net.nz SOA -k root.key -r root-alt.hints  
;; Number of trusted keys: 2  
;; Domain: .  
[T] . 300 IN DNSKEY 257 3 8 ;{id = 47777 (ksk), size = 2048b}  
. 300 IN DNSKEY 256 3 8 ;{id = 29136 (zsk), size = 1024b}  
[T] nz. 300 IN DS 39170 8 2 adb8214ccf90d5a927e27197cb6dae06682358ab  
25735807c3cd7cd95baa11f7  
nz. 300 IN DS 934 8 2 9d58f1627c135043f2cb12df20545c53f02f1bb78e7ed5  
62c802084dfb672e2e  
;; Domain: nz.  
[T] nz. 3600 IN DNSKEY 257 3 8 ;{id = 39170 (ksk), size = 2048b}  
nz. 3600 IN DNSKEY 256 3 8 ;{id = 10011 (zsk), size = 1024b}  
nz. 3600 IN DNSKEY 256 3 8 ;{id = 51301 (zsk), size = 1024b}  
nz. 3600 IN DNSKEY 257 3 8 ;{id = 934 (ksk), size = 2048b}  
[T] net.nz. 86400 IN DS 24542 8 2 b7949d6e91c518825e70ce405061d9bc1  
abbc7fac25b97d532188172f63928e  
net.nz. 86400 IN DS 16159 8 2 0254b68a7f2d29c9fb5c1be1aad61b7760b5c  
f49fc63c66ed33de38b0d380a1  
;; Domain: net.nz.  
[T] net.nz. 3600 IN DNSKEY 257 3 8 ;{id = 16159 (ksk), size = 2048b}  
net.nz. 3600 IN DNSKEY 256 3 8 ;{id = 39709 (zsk), size = 1024b}  
net.nz. 3600 IN DNSKEY 256 3 8 ;{id = 22990 (zsk), size = 1024b}  
net.nz. 3600 IN DNSKEY 257 3 8 ;{id = 24542 (ksk), size = 2048b}  
[T] net.nz. 86400 IN SOA loopback.dns.net.nz. soa.net.nz.  
s.net.nz. 2501291754 900 300 604800 3600  
;;[S] self sig OK; [B] bogus; [T] trusted
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DNSViz
[redacted]-prod-fr-1
Last Updated: 20250128T175501Z

History

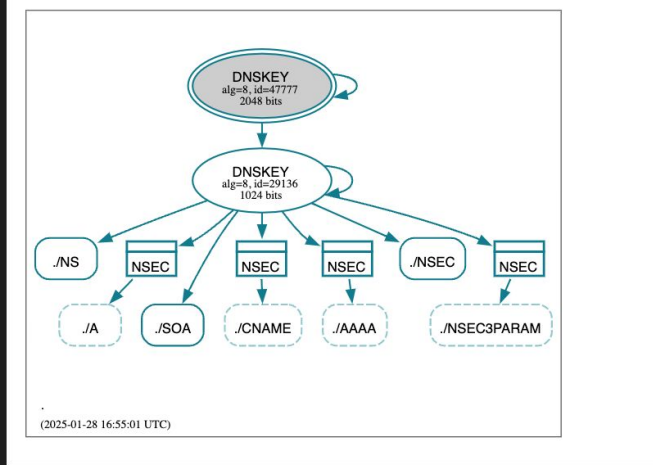
- Last Run
- 20250128T175501Z
- 20250128T174002Z
- 20250128T172502Z
- 20250128T171001Z
- 20250128T165501Z
- 20250128T164001Z
- 20250128T162501Z
- 20250128T161001Z
- 20250128T155501Z
- 20250128T154002Z
- 20250128T152502Z
- 20250128T151002Z
- 20250128T145502Z
- 20250128T144001Z
- 20250128T142502Z
- 20250128T141001Z
- 20250128T135502Z
- 20250128T134002Z
- 20250128T132501Z
- 20250128T131001Z
- 20250128T125502Z
- 20250128T124001Z
- 20250128T122502Z
- 20250128T115502Z
- 20250128T114001Z
- 20250128T112502Z
- 20250128T111001Z
- 20250128T105501Z
- 20250128T104002Z

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20250128T165501Z
History Combined TXT Combined GROK DNSViz Help
[root] nz ac co cri geek gen govt health iwi kiwi maori mil net org parliament school

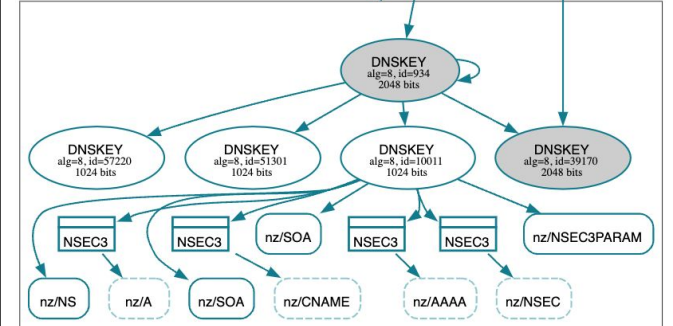
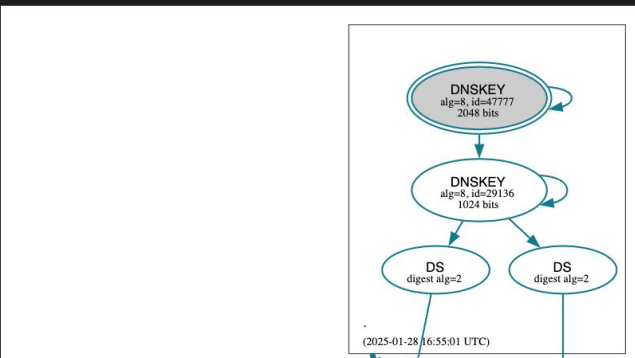
[root]

TXT HTML

```
[.]  
[.] DNSKEY: 8/29136/256 [.] , 8/47777/257 [.]  
[.] RRSIG: ./8/29136 (2025-01-27 - 2025-02-26) [.]  
[.] RRSIG: ./8/47777 (2025-01-27 - 2025-02-26) [.]  
[.] A: NODATA  
[.] SOA: ns. username. 1737974103 300 180 14400 60  
[.] RRSIG: ./8/29136 (2025-01-27 - 2025-02-26) [.]  
[.] PROOF: [.]  
[.] NSEC: . ns. NS SOA RRSIG NSEC DNSKEY  
[.] RRSIG: ./8/29136 (2025-01-27 - 2025-02-26) [.]
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TXT HTML GROK
[.]
[.] DNSKEY: 8/29136/256 [.] , 8/47777/257 [.]
[.] RRSIG: ./8/29136 (2025-01-27 - 2025-02-26) [.]
[.] RRSIG: ./8/47777 (2025-01-27 - 2025-02-26) [.]
nz [.]
[.] DS: 8/934/2 [.] , 8/39170/2 [.]
[.] RRSIG: ./8/29136 (2025-01-27 - 2025-02-26) [.]
[.] DNSKEY: 8/10011/256 [.] , 8/934/257 [.] , 8/51301/256 [.] , 8/57220/256 [.]
[.] RRSIG: nz/8/934 (2025-01-22 - 2025-02-03) [.]
[.] A: NODATA
[.] SOA: loopback.dns-net.nz. soa.nzrs.net.nz. 2501281609 900 300 604800 3600
[.] RRSIG: nz/8/10011 (2025-01-28 - 2025-02-11) [.]
[.] PROOF: [.]
[.] NSEC3: 0G0AC3S0TJ148E6780B0S8TQ9C3IAK9.nz. 1 1 0 - 0GR4V2I2RBNDF34EK8DE5CHELF75R99I NS SOA RRSIG DNSKEY NSEC3PARAM
[.] RRSIG: nz/8/10011 (2025-01-26 - 2025-02-02) [.]



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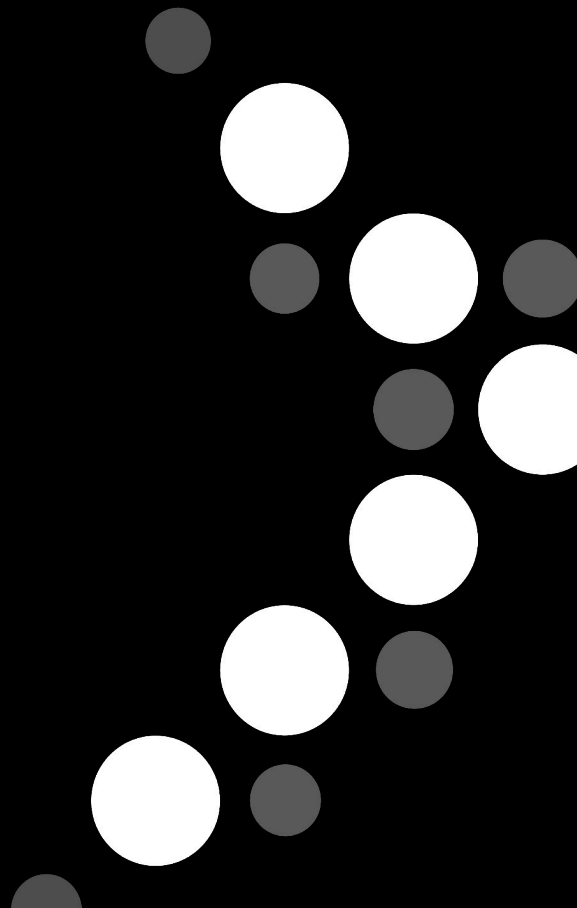
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- Zonemaster
 - New DNS vendors
 - Real root servers
 - Post-sign-hook
 - DSC/DSP
 - Proactive work



Thank you for your attention!

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