

Lab exercise 4 - Reverse DNS

Objective:

- Participants should be able to create a reverse zone for their 192.168.x.0/24 and create the corresponding PTR records for it.
- Secondary name server should be configured to get the copy of that reverse zone.
- Familiarization with classless reverse dns by configuring your primary name server (192.168.x.1) for /24 and your secondary for /26 assignment.

1. Create a reverse zone for your 192.168.x.0/24 ip block under /var/named/master. Create the corresponding PTR record based on the A records of your forward zone. Update your named.conf for this reverse zone and make sure zone transfer happens between master & slave. Use dig to test your name servers if you're getting the correct A record or PTR record from both name servers.

a) Configure the /24 reverse zone in named.conf of master and slave name server.

```
//Primary name server named.conf
zone "x.168.192.in-addr.arpa." {
    type master;
    file "db.192.168.0";
    allow-transfer { 192.168.x.1; };
};
```

```
//Secondary name server named.conf
zone "x.168.192.in-addr.arpa." {
    type slave;
    file "db.192.168.0.bak";
    allow-transfer { none; };
    masters { 192.168.x.1; };
};
```

b) Configure the /24 reverse zone file in master name server. No need to create this in the slave since it will load the zone file from the master.

```
$ORIGIN x.168.192.in-addr.arpa.
$TTL 1d
@ SOA ns1.pcx.net. root.pcx.net. (
    20030418
    1h
    30m
    1w
    24h
)
NS ns1.pcx.net.
1 PTR ns1.pcx.net.
```

2. Configure your master name server for classless reverse delegation. Let's assume you're assigning 2 X /26 from your ip block 192.168.x.0/24 thus

192.168.x.0/26 (192.168.x.0 - 192.168.x.63) - You're currently using this so no need to delegate.

192.168.x.64/26 (192.168.x.64- 192.168.x.127)- for customer 1

3. Update your existing 192.168.x.0/24 reverse zone to include delegation of /26 subdomain for your customer. The pc on your right will act as your customer so they will configure /26 zone. This should be done in the master name server. You should use the CNAME and glue records to accomplish the classless delegation.

;Existing /24 zone file

\$ORIGIN x.168.192.in-addr.arpa.

\$TTL 1d

```
@      SOA      ns1.pcx.net.    root.pcx.net.    (
                                20030418
                                1h
                                30m
                                1w
                                24h
                                )
      NS       ns1.pcx.net.
      NS       ns2.pcx.net.

1      PTR     ns1.pcx.net.
2      PTR     ns2.pcx.net.
```

;Inserting the /26 delegation

```
64-127  NS     ns2.pcx.net. ;In real life this is the customer name server.
                                ;and should have atleast 2 name server.

65      CNAME  65.64-127
66      CNAME  66.64-127
67      CNAME  67.64-127 ;it goes up to 126, use $GENERATE to automate.
                                ;Note that the "." was intentionally omitted
                                ;for the origin (x.168.192.in-addr.arpa) be
                                ;appended to it.
```

4. In your customer's name server, (/var/named/master) create the /26 subdomain. Update your customer's named.conf to load this /26 subdomain thus acting as primary for this /26 subdomain.

a) Updating customer's named.conf to reflect the /26 subdomain.

//customer's name server named.conf

```
zone      "x.168.192.in-addr.arpa." {
    type slave;
    file "db.192.168.0.bak";
    allow-transfer { none; };
    masters { 192.168.x.1; };
};

zone      "64-127.x.168.192.in-addr.arpa." {
    type master;
    file "db.192.168.x.64";
};
```

b) Create the /26 zone file in the customer name server

```
$ORIGIN 64-127.x.168.192.in-addr.arpa.  
@      SOA ns2.pcx.net.  root.pcx.net. (   
                                20040218  
                                1h  
                                30m  
                                1w  
                                24h  
                                )  
      NS      ns2.pcx.net.  
  
65      PTR    www.pcx.net.  
66      PTR    ftp.pcx.net.  
67      PTR    mail.pcx.net.
```

5. use dig to check if delegation works.

ex:

```
% dig @server -x 192.168.x.x          #dig will look for PTR record.
```

```
% dig @server hostname.domain-name.net #dig will look for A record.
```