Windows DNS Server

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Overview
Windows DNS Footprint

- Widely deployed in enterprises that have Active Directory environment
- Fair presence in the resolver space
- Great alternative for diverse operations
Standards and Interoperability

- A RFC compliant DNS Server
- Interoperable with other DNS Server implementations
  - Because the DNS Server service is RFC-compliant and it can use standard DNS data file and resource record formats, it can successfully work with most other DNS server implementations, such as those that use ISC’s BIND.
Ease of Use

- Full AD integration as well as support for file backed persistence
- Graphical User interface
- Full scripting support via Powershell
- Dnscmd
- IPAM integration for A/AAAA record management and service monitoring
More Features

- Conditional Forwarding
  - A conditional forwarder is a DNS server on a network that forwards DNS queries according to the DNS domain name in the query.

- Stub Zones
  - A stub zone is a copy of a zone that contains only those resource records that are necessary to identify the authoritative DNS servers for that zone. A stub zone keeps a DNS server that hosts a parent zone updated with the authoritative DNS servers for its child zone. This helps maintain DNS name resolution efficiency.

- Zone Transfers
  - AXFR and IXFR
More Features

- **Dynamic Update**
  - Integrated with DHCP
  - Secure dynamic updates in AD environment

- **Dynamic re-ordering of forwarders**
  - Server now picks the forwarder that is responsive over the ones that are not responsive
  - Basically, unresponsive forwarders are dropped to the bottom of the list for successive queries

- **Source Port Randomization**
- **WINS and DNSSEC coexistence**
DNSSEC in Windows

- Microsoft introduced support for DNSSEC in Windows 2008 R2...
- Ability to sign zones offline and host signed zones
- Validation of signed responses
- Support for NSEC
DNSSEC in Windows Server 2012 R2

- Latest RFCs
  - NSEC3 Support
  - RSA/SHA-2, ECDSA Signing
  - Automated Trust Anchor Rollover
- Support for 3rd Party Key Management (HSMs)
DNSSEC in Windows Server 2012 R2

**Overview**
- Support for Online Zone Signing.
  - Sign/unsign/change DNSSEC settings on a live zone
  - Add/remove records dynamically on a signed zone
- Active Directory Integrated
  - Support for dynamic updates
  - Preserving the multi-master DNS model
  - Leverage AD for secure key distribution and Trust Anchor distribution
- Dynamic Update support is available for file backed zones as well
- Improved DNS/DNSSEC server performance

**Interoperability**
- Dynamic

**Manageability**
- Automation
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ENABLING ENTERPRISE DNSSEC ROLLOUT

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Complete Powershell Support
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- Automated re-signing on static and dynamic updates
- Automated key rollovers
- Automated signature refresh
- Automated updating of secure delegations
- Automated distribution and updating of Trust Anchors - RFC 5011
Performance
The DNSSEC performance for authoritative server with signed zones is similar to a server with unsigned zones. The data transmitted is however larger and hence more network throughput is required.
DNSSEC signing performance

- Nodes/second signed
- Memory factor

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Summary

- Easy to deploy
- Smart defaults
- Automated management for day to day operations
- IETF RFC compliant
- High Performance
- Documentation available in 10 languages
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