

# DNS – Bind9 manager

## 1. Introduction

The Domain Name System is a hierarchical and decentralized naming system for computers, services, or other resources connected to the Internet or a private network.

In this Lab, you will set up a DNS service consisting of a primary server. Then you will study more closely how it works

## 2. Install Bind9 package

You install your DNS server on your gateway Virtual machine. Be sûr that your machine has a static IP address representing your LAN. This VM is called « ns » and its FQDN is « ns.ufaz.lab »

Once we have a static IP and have rebooted the Raspi, we can install Bind DNS.

```
sudo apt-get install bind9
```

You will find all files in directory */etc/bind*.

Your lab domain is “ufaz.lab”. You need to announce two zones to Bind process. One for forward name resolution and one for reverse lookup.

### 2.1. Named zone configuration

Enter to the « named.conf.local » and add your name resolution zone called « **ufaz.lab** » and the reverse one « **x.y.z.in-addr.arpa** »

```
zone "ufaz.lab" {  
type master;  
notify no;  
file "/etc/bind/db.lab";  
};  
zone "x.y.z.in-addr.arpa" {  
type master;  
notify no;  
file "/etc/bind/db.reverse";  
};
```

### 2.2. The zone files

As announced in the "named.conf.local" file, you have one file per zone. The zone files contain all entries as a translation table for the names of the resources in the same zone.

- **/etc/bind/db.local file :**

Complete the below file to resolve the reste of VM hosts of your plate-forme. Give a name for each VM

```
;
; BIND reverse data file for broadcast zone
;
$TTL 604800
@ IN SOA ns.ufaz.local. root.ifaz.local. (
    100 ; Serial
    6H ; Refresh
    86400 ; Retry, temps entre de essais
    2419200 ; Expire
    604800 ) ; Negative Cache TTL

NS ns.ufaz.local.
MX 10 mail.ufaz.local.

ns1 IN A x.x.x.x (x.x.x.x : IP address is the DNS server IP
address)
```

- /etc/bind/db.reverse file :

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NS ns.ufaz.local.
MX 10 mail.ufaz.local.
T IN PTR ns.ufaz.lab.
```

Consider 10.0.0.1 the DNS IP address, if we mappe dit to x.y.z.T. The reverse resolution of this address is represented by « T » and is a pointer to « ns.ufaz.lab » in the « db.reverse » file. With the knowledge that « x.y.z » the network prefix is used to identify the reverse zone in the « named.conf.local »

- Complete this file to translate all IP addresses to their corresponding names

### 3. Syntax verification

Verify your syntax is working by using named-checkconf

```
named-checkconf /etc/bind/named.conf.local
```

Also double check syntax on your « db.lab » file and all others you have setup, you would do the following.

```
named-checkzone ufaz.lab /etc/bind/db.lab
```

Output we will look as below :

```
zone lab.local/IN: loaded serial 1  
OK
```

the server configuration part is completed, you must restart the service

```
systemctl restart bind9
```

Now you need to setup the clients you configured in your « db.local » file.

#### **4. Configure clients**

To complete the configuration, you update the /etc/resolv.conf file.

```
search ufaz.lab
```

```
nameserver x.x.x.x (x.x.x.x is the DNS IP address)
```

#### **5. DNS query test**

You have many tools to make a DNS query, you use only two : nslookup and dig CLI commands

##### **Example :**

```
nslookup ns.ufaz.lab
```

or

```
nslookup 8.8.8.8 (be sure that you have access to Internet)
```

```
dig @IP_of_your_DNS www.google.com ANY
```

test :

- Based on « dig » command, send a DNS query to ufaz.az to ask for mail server
- How you can get the SOA of this domain
- Look for the NS server of google.com
- With scrapy create a script to send a DNS query to ufaz.az