

1. How does DNS work? Describe its framework.

Distributed database implemented in hierarchy of many name servers

Application-layer protocol host, routers, name servers to communicate to resolve names(address/ name translation)

Client wants IP for www.xxxx.com:

client queries a root server to find com DNS server

client queries com DNS server to get xxx.com DNS server

client queries xxx.com DNS server to get IP address for www.xxxx.com

2. What are the functions of four types of DNS servers? (重要！！)

- Root name servers
 - contacted by local name server that can not resolve name
 - contacts authoritative name server if name mapping not known
 - gets mapping
 - returns mapping to local name server
- Top-level domain (TLD) servers
 - responsible for com, org, net, edu, etc, and all top-level country domains uk, fr, ca, jp.
 - Network Solutions maintains servers for com TLD
 - Educause for edu TLD
- Authoritative DNS servers
 - organization's DNS servers, providing authoritative hostname to IP mappings for organization's servers (e.g., Web, mail)
 - can be maintained by organization or service provider
- Local Name Server
 - does not strictly belong to hierarchy
 - each ISP (residential ISP, company, university) has one.
 - also called "default name server"
 - when host makes DNS query, query is sent to its local DNS server

- acts as proxy, forwards query into hierarchy

3. How does DNS iterated query and recursive query work? (重要！！)

iterated query: contacted server replies with name of server to contact

recursive query: puts burden of name resolution on contacted name server

4. How do DNS servers reduce their work load?

once (any) name server learns mapping, it caches mapping

- cache entries timeout (disappear) after some time
- TLD servers typically cached in local name servers
 - Thus root name servers not often visited

update/notify mechanisms under design by IETF

5. What are functionalities of DNS RR four types? (重要！！)

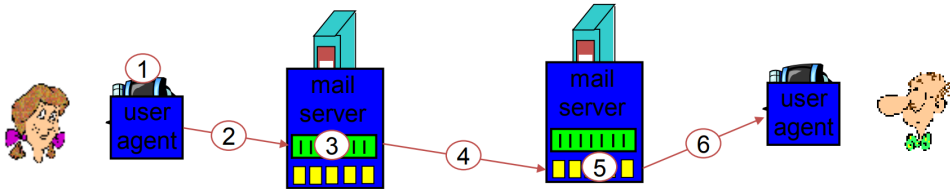
RR format: (**name**, **value**, **type**, **ttl**)

- Type=A: The record that holds the IP address of a domain (hostname -> IP)
 - **name** is hostname
 - **value** is IP address
- Type=NS: Stores the name server for a DNS entry (domain -> hostname of authoritative name server for this domain)
 - **name** is domain (e.g. foo.com)
 - **value** is hostname of authoritative name server for this domain
- Type=CNAME: Forwards one domain or subdomain to another domain, does NOT provide an IP address (alias name -> real name)
 - **name** is alias name for some 'canonical' (the real) name (www.ibm.com is really serveeast.backup2.ibm.com)
 - **value** is canonical name
- Type=MX: Directs mail to an email server (mail domain -> mail server)
 - **value** is name of mailserver associated with **name**

6. How does SMTP work? Describe its framework.

Scenario: Alice sends message to Bob

- 1) Alice uses UA to compose message and "to" bob@someschool.edu
- 2) Alice's UA sends message to her mail server; message placed in message queue
- 3) Client side of SMTP opens TCP connection with Bob's mail server
- 4) SMTP client sends Alice's message over the TCP connection
- 5) Bob's mail server places the message in Bob's mailbox
- 6) Bob invokes his user agent to read message



7. What are the functionalities of five SMTP basic commands? (重要！！)

- HELO : 發出「Hello」訊息，並開始在client和server之間建立 SMTP 連線。
- MAIL FROM : 告訴server是誰在傳送mail，也就是告訴server sender是誰
- RCPT TO : 用於列出mail的receiver
- DATA : specifies the beginning of the mail
- QUIT : close the TCP connection

8. How does SMTP describe the end of Data?

Use "." on a line itself

9. What are the functionalities of six POP3 basic commands? Describe which phase they belong to. (重要！！)

authorization phase

- **user** : declare username
- **pass** : password

transaction phase

- **list** : list message numbers

- **retr** : retrieve message by number
- **dele** : delete message
- **quit** : close server

10. What is the difference between POP two basic modes?

- "download and delete": User cannot re-read e-mail if he/she changes client
- "download-and-keep": It copies of messages on different clients