



# getdns



API implementation

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# getdns API is:

- ▶ A *DNS API* specification
  - (for resolving)
  - (for applications)



- ▶ First implementation by **VERISIGN LABS** and



From Verisign:

Allison Mankin, Glen Wiley,  
Neel Goyal, Angelique Finan,  
Craig Despeaux, Shuman  
Huque, Duane Wessels, Gowri  
Visweswaran

From NLnet Labs:

Willem Toorop, Wouter  
Wijngaards, Olaf Kolkman

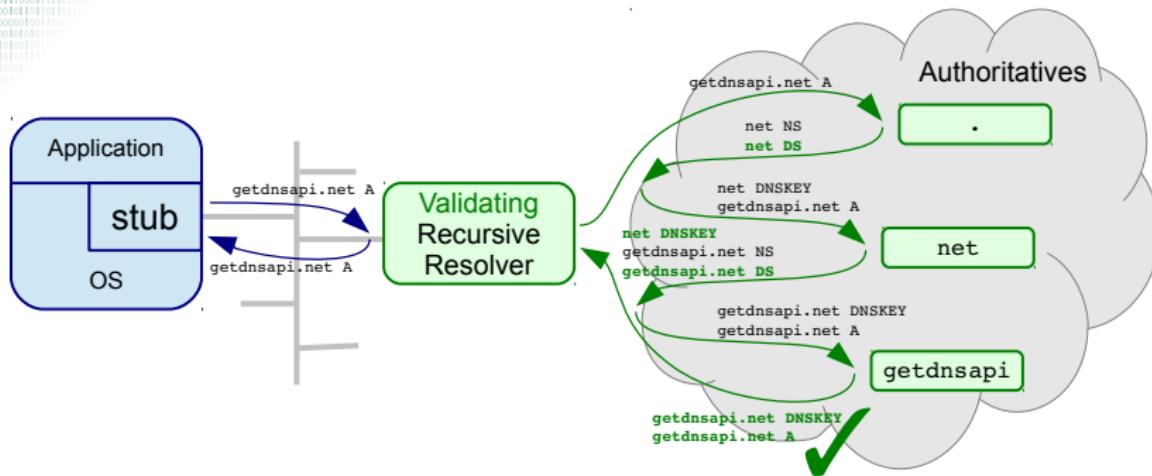
From No Mountain Software:

Melinda Shore

From Sinodun:

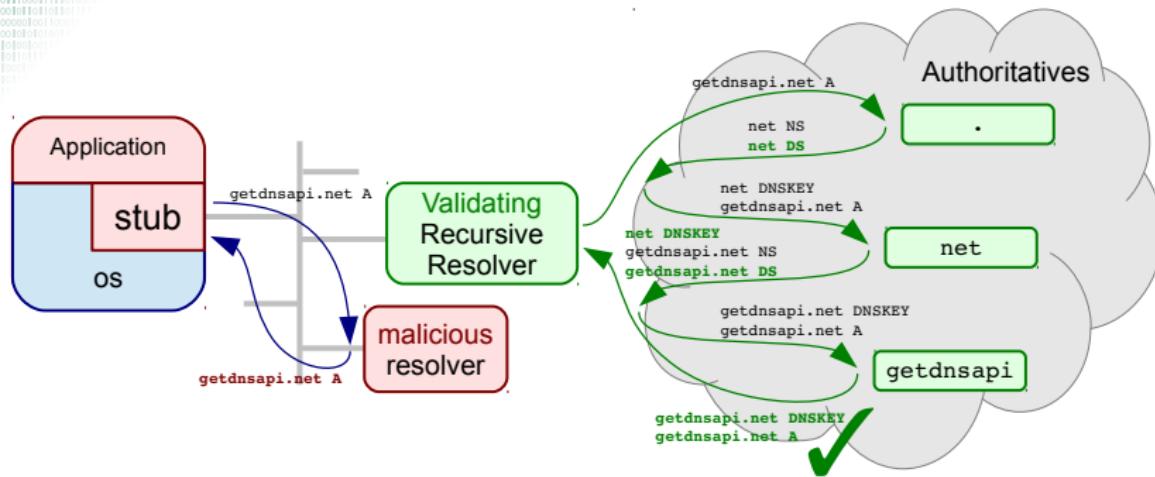
John & Sara Dickinson

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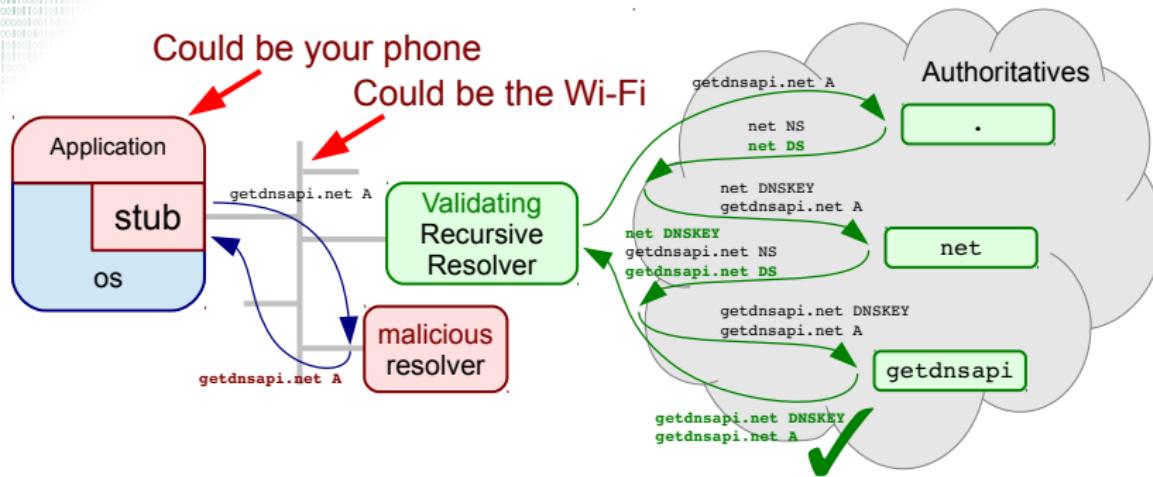
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(AD bit not given with `getaddrinfo()`)

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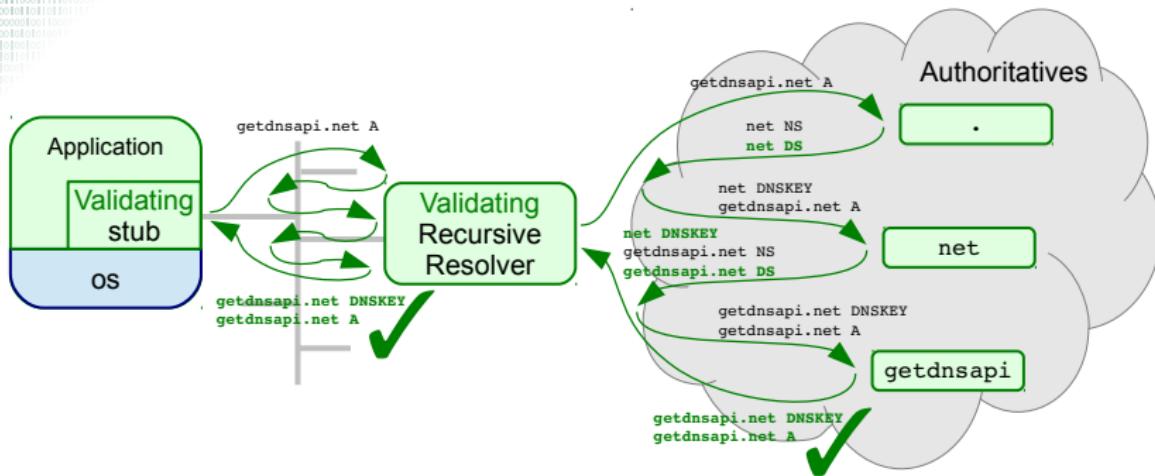
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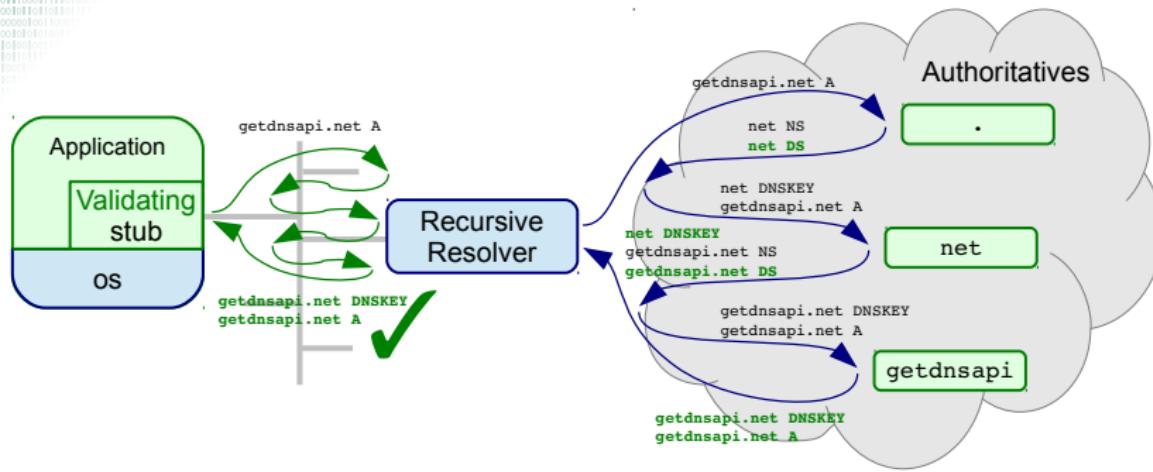
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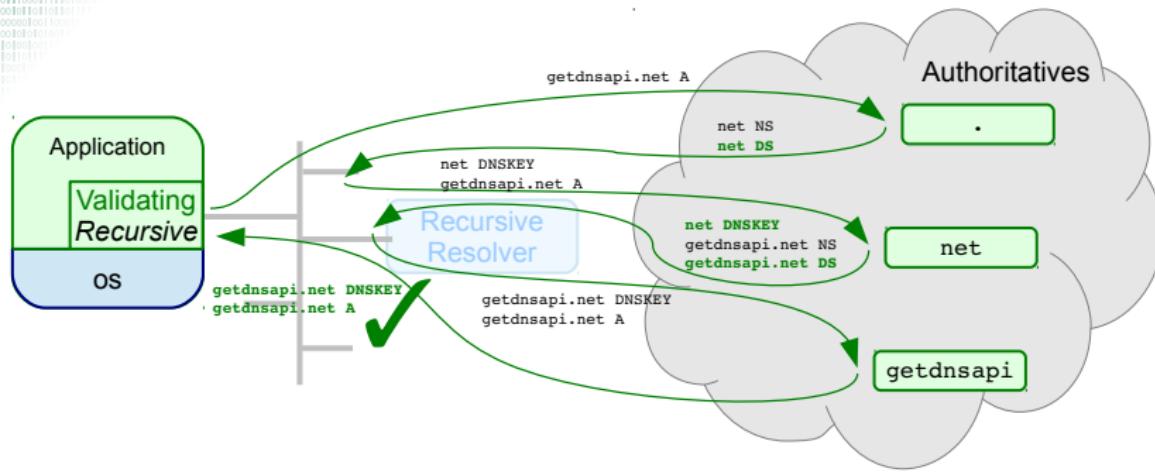
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(90% of RIPE ATLAS probes have a DNSSEC-aware resolver  
Presentation later this morning right here at the DNS-WG session)

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- ▶ Is the local network resolver trustworthy?
- ▶ Is the local network resolver validating?
- ▶ And when it is not even DNSSEC-aware?

# Motivation - DNSSEC - DANE

- ▶ A DNSSEC enabled resolver protects against cache poisoning
- ▶ By giving authenticated answers (origin authentication)
- ▶ Enabling **D**NS-based **A**uthentication of **N**amed **E**ntities

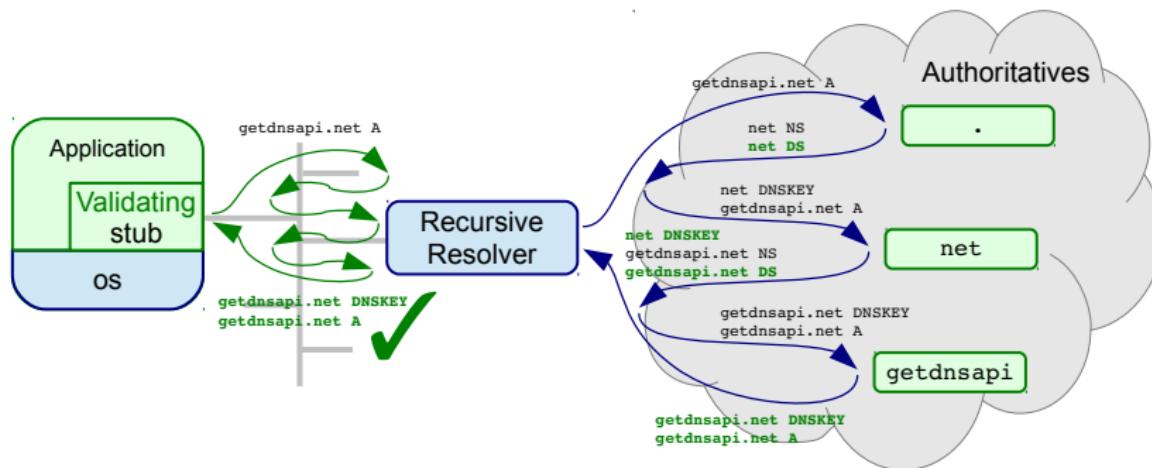
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- ▶ A global distributed database of authenticated data

# Implementation - Features

- ▶ Both stub and full recursive modes (recursive by default)
- ▶ Asynchronous modus operandi is the default
- ▶ Modular event base: libevent, libev, libuv, file descriptor
- ▶ Delivers validated DNSSEC in every way (off by default :()
- ▶ JSON like response dict type
- ▶ **javascript** (node) and **python** language bindings

# Implementation - Supported platforms

We support

- ▶ Debian 7.0, 7.3
- ▶ FreeBSD 8.4, 9.2, 10.0
- ▶ RHEL/CentOS 6.4, 6.5
- ▶ OSX 10.8, 10.9
- ▶ Ubuntu 12.04, 13.10

Packages are available for

FreeBSD Via ports  
MacOS X Via homebrew

Packages in the make

Debian Ondřej Surý  
Fedora Paul Wouters

We provide binary packages for

- ▶ CentOS/RHEL 6.5
- ▶ MacOS X

MS-Windows and Android in the future

# Implementation - Building / Dependencies

- ▶ Get the tarball:

`http://getdnsapi.net/dist/getdns-0.1.1.tar.gz`

- ▶ or `git clone http://github.com/getdnsapi/getdns`

**libunbound** For resolving

(Currently both recursive and stub)

**libldns** For parsing and constructing wire-format DNS data

(Will do the stub resolving in future releases)

**libidn1** For `getdns_convert_ulabel_to_alabel()`

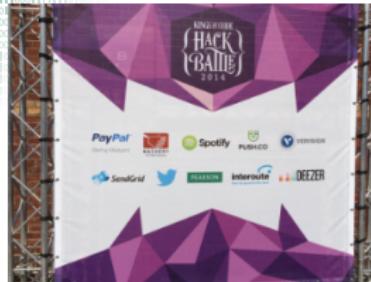
and `getdns_convert_alabel_to_ulabel()`

Pluggable event library extensions

One or more of: **libevent 1**, **libevent 2**, **libuv**, **libev**

- ▶ Build dependency: `doxygen`
- ▶ Install dependency: `unbound-anchor`

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- ▶ Arvind Narayanan, Bhavna Soman & Ruslan Mavlyutov
- ▶ Plugin for Thunderbird gives information on the DNSSEC credentials of DKIM records associated with e-mail



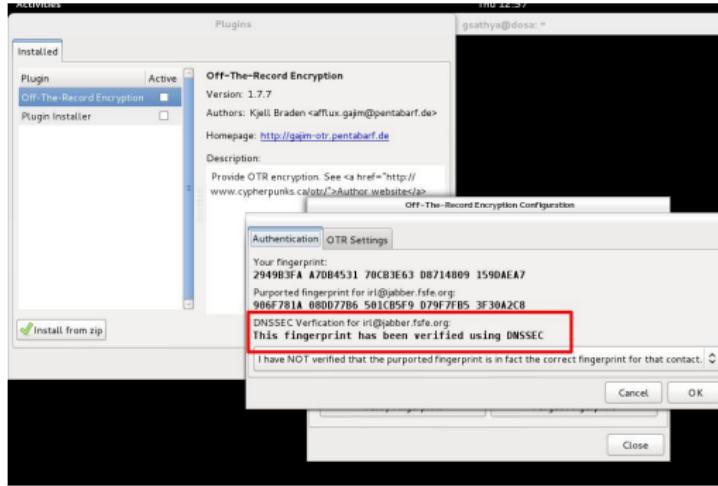
## DANE Doctor



- ▶ Hynek Schlawack and Richard Wall
- ▶ Diagnostics webapp for DANE
- ▶ DANE enabled TLS client API to the asynchronous event framework Twisted.
- ▶ <https://github.com/hynek/tnw>

# Bootstrapping Trust with DANE

- ▶ Sathya Gunasekaran and Iain Learmonth.
- ▶ Adds DNSSEC secured OTR-key lookups to Gajim XMPP client
- ▶ <https://github.com/irl/dnskeys>
- ▶ <https://github.com/gsathya/gotr>



- ▶ interview @ [tweakers.net](#)
- ▶ [slides deck](#)

# DNSSEC name and shame



- ✗ [sendgrid.com](http://sendgrid.com)
- ✗ [deezer.com](http://deezer.com)
- ✓ [labs.verisigninc.com](http://labs.verisigninc.com)
- ✗ [www.spotify.com](http://www.spotify.com)
- ✓ [blueprint.paypal.com](http://blueprint.paypal.com)
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- ✗ [twitter.com](http://twitter.com)
- ✗ [mashery.com](http://mashery.com)
- ✗ [push.co](http://push.co)



- ▶ Joel Purra & Tom Cuddy
- ▶ Shame the non DNSSEC APIs
- ▶ <http://dnssec-name-and-shame.com/>
- ▶ <https://github.com/joelpurra/node-dnssec-name-shame>

Security starts with a name



website <http://getdnsapi.net>

github repo <http://github.com/getdnsapi/getdns>

python repo <http://github.com/getdnsapi/getdns-python-bindings>

node repo <http://github.com/getdnsapi/getdns-node>

mailing-list <http://getdnsapi.net/mailman/listinfo/users>

TNW Hackathon <https://www.hackerleague.org/hackathons/kings-of-code-hack-battle>

TNW Videos <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCF0NmkWgpSOKDHJqrWw8-5w>

API website <http://www.vpnc.org/getdns-api>

API list <http://www.vpnc.org/mailman/listinfo/getdns-api>

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