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# Domain Name Service

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### How DNS works

- Browser
- OS
  - Checks Cache
- ROOT
- Top Level Domain (TLD)
- Authoritative Name Server (ANS)
- Domain Name Server



#### What does a local DNS Server do?

- Local DNS server queries ROOT, TLD, and ANS for the local machine
  - Reduces local network traffic
  - Reduces workload of local machine
- Dynamic DHCP will write local IPs to the local DNS
  - Allows local machines to look each other up.
- Reverse DNS looks up an IP's domain name



### **Threats**

- Hosts File
- DNS Spoofing
- Cache Poisoning



#### Hosts File

C:\Windows\System32\drivers\etc

Hosts is Local Cache

```
hosts - Notepad
File Edit Format View Help
# Copyright (c) 1993-2009 Microsoft Corp.
# This is a sample HOSTS file used by Microsoft TCP/IP for Windows.
# This file contains the mappings of IP addresses to host names. Each
# entry should be kept on an individual line. The IP address should
# be placed in the first column followed by the corresponding host name.
# The IP address and the host name should be separated by at least one
# space.
# Additionally, comments (such as these) may be inserted on individual
# lines or following the machine name denoted by a '#' symbol.
# For example:
       102.54.94.97
                        rhino.acme.com
                                                 # source server
        38.25.63.10
                                                 # x client host
                        x.acme.com
# localhost name resolution is handled within DNS itself.
        127.0.0.1
                        localhost
        ::1
                        localhost
```



#### **Advanced Topics**

- BIND
- MX Records



## Questions?



# References

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