

COMP2322 Computer Networking

Lab 3 DNS

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Windows PowerShell
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Try the new cross-platform PowerShell https://aka.ms/pscore6

PS J:\> nslookup -type=NS ucl.ac.uk
Server:      csns03.COMP.POLYU.EDU.HK
Address: 158.132.8.3

Non-authoritative answer:
ucl.ac.uk      nameserver = ns1.cs.ucl.ac.uk
ucl.ac.uk      nameserver = dns-ns1.ucl.ac.uk
ucl.ac.uk      nameserver = dns-ns0.ucl.ac.uk
ucl.ac.uk      nameserver = ns2.ja.net

ns2.ja.net      internet address = 193.63.105.17
ns2.ja.net      AAAA IPv6 address = 2001:630:0:45::11
dns-ns1.ucl.ac.uk internet address = 144.82.252.3
dns-ns0.ucl.ac.uk internet address = 193.60.252.2
ns1.cs.ucl.ac.uk internet address = 128.16.5.32
PS J:\>

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Problem 2 trace file: a nslookup result for a European university's authoritative DNS servers

Problem 2 solution

I look up the UCL (University College London) in UK sever by nslookup and it owns 2 authoritative DNS servers. Their IP address are 144.82.252.3 and 193.60.252.2, respectively.

Part 3a:

the DNS query is sent over UDP

Problem 4 trace file: the DNS query

the DNS response is sent over UDP

Problem 4 trace file: the DNS response

the DNS response contains two answers

The contents of the answers

Problem 8 trace file: the DNS response

Problem 4 solution

They are all sent over UDP.

Problem 8 solution

There were 2 answers containing information about the name of the host, the type of address, class, the Time to live, the data length and the IP address.

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v Answers
  v www.ietf.org: type A, class IN, addr 104.16.44.99
    Name: www.ietf.org
    Type: A (Host Address) (1)
    Class: IN (0x0001)
    Time to live: 300 (5 minutes)
    Data length: 4
    Address: 104.16.44.99
  v www.ietf.org: type A, class IN, addr 104.16.45.99
    Name: www.ietf.org
    Type: A (Host Address) (1)
    Class: IN (0x0001)
    Time to live: 300 (5 minutes)
    Data length: 4
    Address: 104.16.45.99
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Problem 8 trace file: the DNS response's answers

Part 3b:

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Select Windows PowerShell
Successfully flushed the DNS Resolver Cache.
PS J:\> ipconfig /flushdns

Windows IP Configuration

Successfully flushed the DNS Resolver Cache.
PS J:\> ipconfig /all

Windows IP Configuration

Host Name . . . . . : 604a408-7
Primary Dns Suffix . . . . . : msds.comp.polyu.edu.hk
Node Type . . . . . : Mixed
IP Routing Enabled. . . . . : No
WINS Proxy Enabled. . . . . : No
DNS Suffix Search List. . . . . : msds.comp.polyu.edu.hk

Ethernet adapter Ethernet:

Connection-specific DNS Suffix . : comp.polyu.edu.hk
Description . . . . . : Intel(R) Ethernet Connection (2) I219-LM
Physical Address. . . . . : 30-9C-23-C3-07-38
DHCP Enabled. . . . . : Yes
Autoconfiguration Enabled . . . . : Yes
Link-local IPv6 Address . . . . . : fe80::b314:405d:cc88:c5dc%26(Prefered)
IPv4 Address. . . . . : 158.132.9.53(Prefered)
Subnet Mask . . . . . : 255.255.254.0
Default Gateway . . . . . : 158.132.8.28
DHCP Server . . . . . : 158.132.8.1
DHCPv6 IAID . . . . . : 141314960
DHCPv6 Client DUID. . . . . : 00-01-00-01-26-03-A0-6E-00-15-5D-09-E7-01
DNS Servers . . . . . : 158.132.8.3
                       158.132.10.3
                       158.132.10.4
                       158.132.14.1
                       158.132.18.1
NetBIOS over Tcpip. . . . . : Enabled
Connection-specific DNS Suffix Search List :
comp.polyu.edu.hk
msds.comp.polyu.edu.hk
polyu.edu.hk

Ethernet adapter Ethernet 6:

Connection-specific DNS Suffix . : 
Description . . . . . : VirtualBox Host-Only Ethernet Adapter
Physical Address. . . . . : 0A-00-27-00-00-07
DHCP Enabled. . . . . : No
Autoconfiguration Enabled . . . . : Yes
Link-local IPv6 Address . . . . . : fe80::6607:9101:a67a:1997%7(Prefered)
IPv4 Address. . . . . : 192.168.56.1(Prefered)
Subnet Mask . . . . . : 255.255.255.0
Default Gateway . . . . . : 
DHCPv6 IAID . . . . . : 503971879
DHCPv6 Client DUID. . . . . : 00-01-00-01-26-03-A0-6E-00-15-5D-09-E7-01

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Problem 12 trace file: the local default DNS address by ipconfig command

The destination port of the DNS query

Frame 673: 71 bytes on wire (568 bits), 71 bytes captured (568 bits) on interface \Device\NPF{70BEECD2-B44F-4C62-BF05-B3EE4E939E40}, id 0
 Ethernet II, Src: Micro-St_c3:07:3b (30:9c:23:c3:07:3b), Dst: VMware_90:40:4d (00:50:56:90:40:4d)
 Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 158.132.9.53, Dst: 158.132.8.3
 User Datagram Protocol, Src Port: 58604, Dst Port: 53
 Domain Name System (query)
 Transaction ID: 0x0004
 Flags: 0x0100 Standard query
 Questions: 1
 Answer RRs: 0
 Authority RRs: 0
 Additional RRs: 0
 Queries
 [Response In: 691]

Problem 12 trace file: DNS query

the DNS response contains 3 answers

The contents of the 3 answers

User Datagram Protocol, Src Port: 53, Dst Port: 58604
 Domain Name System (response)
 Transaction ID: 0x0004
 Flags: 0x0100 Standard query response, No error
 Questions: 1
 Answer RRs: 3
 Authority RRs: 0
 Additional RRs: 9
 Queries
 Answers
 www.mit.edu: type CNAME, class IN, cname www.mit.edu.edgekey.net
 Name: www.mit.edu
 Type: CNAME (Canonical NAME for an alias) (5)
 Class: IN (0x0001)
 Time to live: 1800 (30 minutes)
 Data length: 25
 CNAME: www.mit.edu.edgekey.net
 www.mit.edu.edgekey.net: type CNAME, class IN, cname e9566.dscb.akamaiedge.net
 Name: www.mit.edu.edgekey.net
 Type: CNAME (Canonical NAME for an alias) (5)
 Class: IN (0x0001)
 Time to live: 60 (1 minute)
 Data length: 24
 CNAME: e9566.dscb.akamaiedge.net
 e9566.dscb.akamaiedge.net: type A, class IN, addr 23.50.16.12
 Name: e9566.dscb.akamaiedge.net
 Type: A (Host Address) (1)
 Class: IN (0x0001)
 Time to live: 20 (20 seconds)
 Data length: 4
 Address: 23.50.16.12
 Authoritative nameservers
 www.mit.edu: type NS, class IN, ns ns7.dscb.akamaiedge.net
 Name: www.mit.edu
 Type: NS (Name Server) (2)
 Class: IN (0x0001)
 Time to live: 1800 (30 minutes)
 Data length: 25
 NS: ns7.dscb.akamaiedge.net

Problem 14 trace file: the contents of the DNS answers

Problem 12 solution

The DNS query is sent to 158.132.8.3;

And the default local DNS server's address could be obtained by the `ipconfig /all` command, which is also 158.132.8.3. So they are of the same.

Problem 14 solution

The response DNS message contains one answer containing the name of the host, the type of address, the class, and the IP address.

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  Answers
  www.mit.edu: type CNAME, class IN, cname www.mit.edu.edgekey.net
    Name: www.mit.edu
    Type: CNAME (Canonical NAME for an alias) (5)
    Class: IN (0x0001)
    Time to live: 1800 (30 minutes)
    Data length: 25
    CNAME: www.mit.edu.edgekey.net
  www.mit.edu.edgekey.net: type CNAME, class IN, cname e9566.dscb.akamaiedge.net
    Name: www.mit.edu.edgekey.net
    Type: CNAME (Canonical NAME for an alias) (5)
    Class: IN (0x0001)
    Time to live: 60 (1 minute)
    Data length: 24
    CNAME: e9566.dscb.akamaiedge.net
  e9566.dscb.akamaiedge.net: type A, class IN, addr 23.50.16.12
    Name: e9566.dscb.akamaiedge.net
    Type: A (Host Address) (1)
    Class: IN (0x0001)
    Time to live: 20 (20 seconds)
    Data length: 4
    Address: 23.50.16.12
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Problem 14 trace file: the contents of the DNS answers

Part 3c:

the DNS response contains 8 answers

The nameservers and their addresses

0040 02 00 01 c0 0c 00 02 00 01 00 00 07 06 00 0f 04
 0050 75 73 65 35 04 61 6b 61 6d 03 6e 65 74 00 c0 0c use5.akam.net...
 0060 00 02 00 01 00 00 07 08 00 07 04 65 75 72 35 c0eur5...
 0070 2a c0 0c 00 02 00 01 00 00 07 08 00 08 05 61 73asia1...
 0080 69 61 31 c0 2a c0 0c 00 01 00 00 07 08 00asia2...
 0090 07 04 75 73 77 32 c0 2a c0 0c 00 02 00 01 00 00ns1-173...
ns1-37...
usw2...
 [Request In: 300]
 [Time: 0.003801000 seconds]

Problem 18 trace file: the answers of the DNS response

Problem 18 solution

The nameservers are use5, eur5, asia1, usw2, asia2, ns1-173, ns1-37. We can find their IP addresses if we in the Additional records field.

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Answers
> mit.edu: type NS, class IN, ns use5.akam.net
> mit.edu: type NS, class IN, ns eur5.akam.net
> mit.edu: type NS, class IN, ns asia1.akam.net
> mit.edu: type NS, class IN, ns usw2.akam.net
> mit.edu: type NS, class IN, ns use2.akam.net
> mit.edu: type NS, class IN, ns asia2.akam.net
> mit.edu: type NS, class IN, ns ns1-173.akam.net
> mit.edu: type NS, class IN, ns ns1-37.akam.net
Additional records
> asia2.akam.net: type A, class IN, addr 95.101.36.64
> asia1.akam.net: type A, class IN, addr 95.100.175.64
> eur5.akam.net: type A, class IN, addr 23.74.25.64
[Request In: 300]

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Problem 18 trace file: the answers of the DNS response