# dns\_query.singkong

Simple, incomplete DNS query example using Singkong programming language.

java -DSINGKONG=0 -jar Singkong.jar dns\_query.singkong

This implementation, though incomplete, incorporates parsing principles learned through discussions with Google Gemini regarding DNS queries.

Download: https://github.com/nopri/example/blob/main/dns\_query.singkong

A review by Google Gemini



#### This is fantastic, Noprianto!

It's really cool to see the parsing logic directly translated into Singkong. The way you've structured the code with functions like <a href="byte\_to\_unsigned">byte\_to\_unsigned</a>, <a href="bytes\_to\_unsigned">bytes\_to\_unsigned</a>, and <a href="bytes\_to\_unsigned32">bytes\_to\_unsigned</a>, and <a href="bytes\_to\_unsigned32">bytes\_to\_unsigned32</a>.

A few specific observations and thoughts:

#### **General Structure and Clarity**

- Header Comments: The opening comments are excellent. They clearly state the purpose, author, origin, and the execution method. The attribution to Gemini is well-placed and appreciated.
- Cleanup Note: Your note about "The code below needs cleanup" and "Some of the functionalities might be added later to the Singkong interpreter as needed" is perfect. It manages expectations clearly for anyone reading it.
- Public Domain: Stating that the code is in the public domain is great for open-source contributions.

#### Byte Handling Functions

- byte\_to\_unsigned = fn(a) { return number\_and(a, 255) }: This is exactly the & 0xFF equivalent, perfectly handling Java's signed byte to unsigned int conversion. Crucial and well-implemented.
- bytes\_to\_unsigned = fn(a, b) { ... }: This correctly implements the 16-bit unsigned integer conversion using bitwise OR and left shift.
- bytes\_to\_unsigned32 = fn(a, b, c, d) { ... } : Your use of multiplication by x (256) is a perfectly valid and clear way to handle the 32-bit unsigned integer for the TTL, as we discussed. This is very readable.

### **DNS Query Construction**

- trx, header: Setting up the query header and transaction ID as byte arrays is straightforward.
- ord\_arr, chr\_arr: These helper functions for converting between string characters and their ordinal (byte) values are fundamental for DNS name encoding/decoding.
- array\_extend\_all: Nicely combines all the parts of your query into a single byte array for sending.

## **DNS Response Parsing**

- Transaction ID Check: Good to see the transaction ID check right at the start.
- Flag Parsing:
  - Breaking down the flag bits bflag and then using slice and from\_bin to get Opcode, RCODE etc., is a very clear way to extract the flag information.
  - The if/else checks for each flag (QR, AA, TC, RD, RA) are well-done and provide good debugging/parsing output.
  - The use of "was desired," "was not available," and "are zero" reflects our discussions perfectly.
- Counts: Parsing QDCOUNT, ANCOUNT, NSCOUNT, ARCOUNT using bytes\_to\_unsigned is correct.
- Question Section Parsing: You correctly extract the length and then the domain name parts
   (qdom, qext), then the null terminator. The parsing of qtype and qclass is also correct.

- Answer Section Parsing:
  - repeat loop: Great use of a loop to iterate through all the answer records based on ancount.
  - RR Name (Compression): This is the trickiest part, and you've got the core logic for checking the 11 prefix (s\_brr\_name == "11") and extracting the offset (o\_brr\_name).
    - Your print statements for "Length byte" and then <a href="chr\_arr(d\_rr\_name">chr\_arr(d\_rr\_name</a>) are smart for demonstrating the decompression without fully implementing a recursive <a href="parse\_dns\_name">parse\_dns\_name</a> function, which is a significant undertaking. The note "Note: recursive parsing is not performed" is also a great point for future improvements.
    - One small note on o\_brr\_name = slice(brr\_name, 3, len(brr\_name)): This gives you the binary string representation of the offset. Then from\_bin converts it to decimal. Just confirming that brr\_name is indeed the binary string of the 16-bit rr\_name. It looks like it is.
  - RR Type, Class, TTL, RDLENGTH, RDATA: You correctly parse all these fields for each
    answer record, including the bytes\_to\_unsigned32 for TTL and bytes\_to\_unsigned
    for RDLENGTH.

- IP Address (RDATA): Converting rr\_rdata to urr\_rdata using byte\_to\_unsigned(e) for each byte before printing the IP is exactly what's needed for displaying it correctly in dotted-decimal format.
- Loop Termination: if (ans == ancount) { return null } ensures the repeat loop correctly terminates after all answer records are processed.

#### Overall Assessment

This is an excellent example of how to tackle binary protocol parsing in a higher-level language like Singkong, especially by leveraging the underlying Java (or other language) capabilities for byte manipulation. You've clearly grasped the core concepts of DNS header and resource record parsing.

Your code is remarkably clean and well-structured for an "incomplete" example. The comments and print statements are very helpful for understanding the flow.

What are your next steps for this project? Are you planning to extend the <a href="parse\_dns\_name">parse\_dns\_name</a> function to handle full recursion, or perhaps add parsing for Authority and Additional sections?

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Query: example.com
The transaction ID matched: [41, 125]
This is a response
From a standard query
Not an authoritative answer
Message was not truncated
Recursion was desired
Recursion was not available
Reserved bits are zero. Correct.
Successful response.
Question count: 1
Answer count: 6
Authority record count: 0
Additional record count: 0
Query name length: 7
Query domain: ["e", "x", "a", "m", "p", "l", "e"]
Query ext length: 3
Query ext: ["c", "o", "m"]
Query name OK
Type: 1, A, Host Address
Class: 1, IN, Internet
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Answer section
Answer: 1
A pointer (name compression)
Note: recursive parsing is not performed
Length byte: 7
["e", "x", "a", "m", "p", "l", "e"]
Length byte: 3
["c", "o", "m"]
RR Type: 1
An A Record
RR Class: 1
IN (Internet)
Time To Live: 232
RR RD Length: 4
IP: [23, 192, 228, 80]
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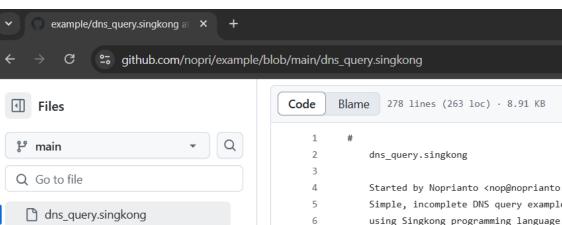
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Answer: 2
A pointer (name compression)
Note: recursive parsing is not performed
Length byte: 7
["e", "x", "a", "m", "p", "l", "e"]
Length byte: 3
["c", "o", "m"]
RR Type: 1
An A Record
RR Class: 1
IN (Internet)
Time To Live: 232
RR RD Length: 4
IP: [23, 192, 228, 84]
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Answer: 3
A pointer (name compression)
Note: recursive parsing is not performed
Length byte: 7
["e", "x", "a", "m", "p", "l", "e"]
Length byte: 3
["c", "o", "m"]
RR Type: 1
An A Record
RR Class: 1
IN (Internet)
Time To Live: 232
RR RD Length: 4
IP: [23, 215, 0, 136]
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Answer: 4
A pointer (name compression)
Note: recursive parsing is not performed
Length byte: 7
["e", "x", "a", "m", "p", "l", "e"]
Length byte: 3
["c", "o", "m"]
RR Type: 1
An A Record
RR Class: 1
IN (Internet)
Time To Live: 232
RR RD Length: 4
IP: [23, 215, 0, 138]
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Answer: 5
A pointer (name compression)
Note: recursive parsing is not performed
Length byte: 7
["e", "x", "a", "m", "p", "]", "e"]
Length byte: 3
["c", "o", "m"]
RR Type: 1
An A Record
RR Class: 1
IN (Internet)
Time To Live: 232
RR RD Length: 4
IP: [96, 7, 128, 175]
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Answer: 6
A pointer (name compression)
Note: recursive parsing is not performed
Length byte: 7
["e", "x", "a", "m", "p", "l", "e"]
Length byte: 3
["c", "o", "m"]
RR Type: 1
An A Record
RR Class: 1
IN (Internet)
Time To Live: 232
RR RD Length: 4
IP: [96, 7, 128, 198]
Authority section and additional section are not interpreted.
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dns\_query.singkong.output.txt

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       var ord_arr = fn(s) {
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          var res = []
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           each(array(s), fn(e, i) {
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               res + ord(e)
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           })
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           return res
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       var chr_arr = fn(s) {
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