DNS Configuration

- Domain Name Service (DNS) is an internet service that maps IP addresses to fully qualified domain names (FQDN) and vice versa.
- A DNS server, or name server, is used to resolve an IP address to a hostname or vice versa.
- The entire hostname with its domain such as *server.training.com* is called a fully qualified domain name (FQDN). The right-most part of the FQDN such as .com or .net is called the *top level domain*, with the remaining parts of the FQDN, which are separated by periods, being sub-domains

Profile for DNS Server

Usage

Package

Script

Port

Configuration file

Document root

Daemon

: To resolve IP into hostname and vice-versa

: bind, caching-name

: /etc/init.d/named

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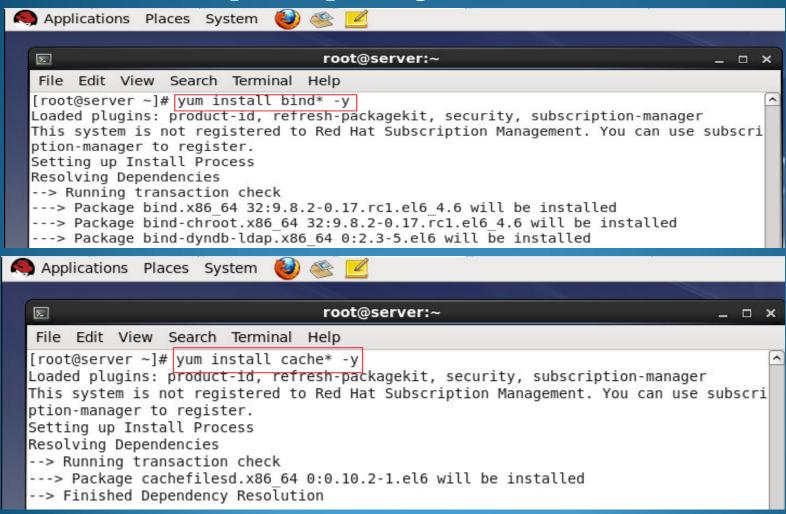
: /etc/named.conf

: /var/named

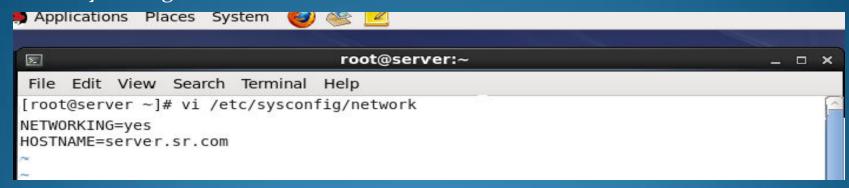
: named

Configuration of DNS server

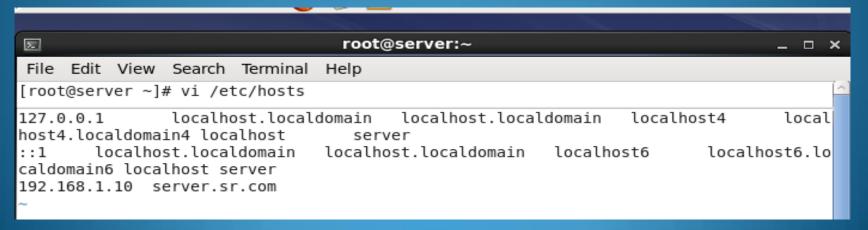
Install the required package for DNS



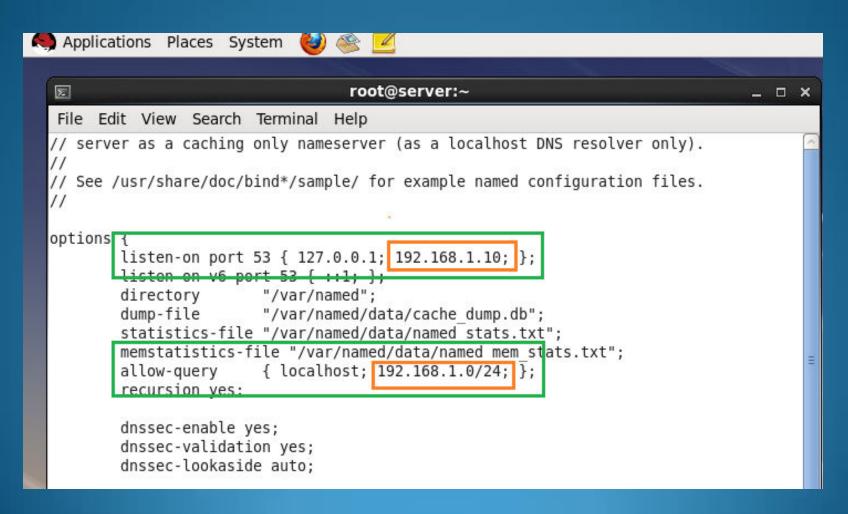
• Change the hostname by adding fully qualified domain name #hostname server.sr.com(where sr.com is the FQDN) and make it permanent in /etc/sysconfig/network file.



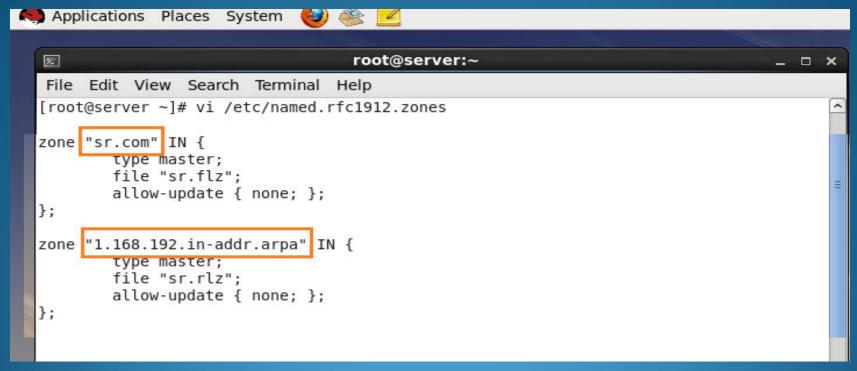
Update the /etc/hosts file with the server's ip address, and change the hostname with fuly qualified domain name.



- Edit the configuration file /etc/named.conf file with server's IP address and network range for clients.
- #vi /etc/named.conf

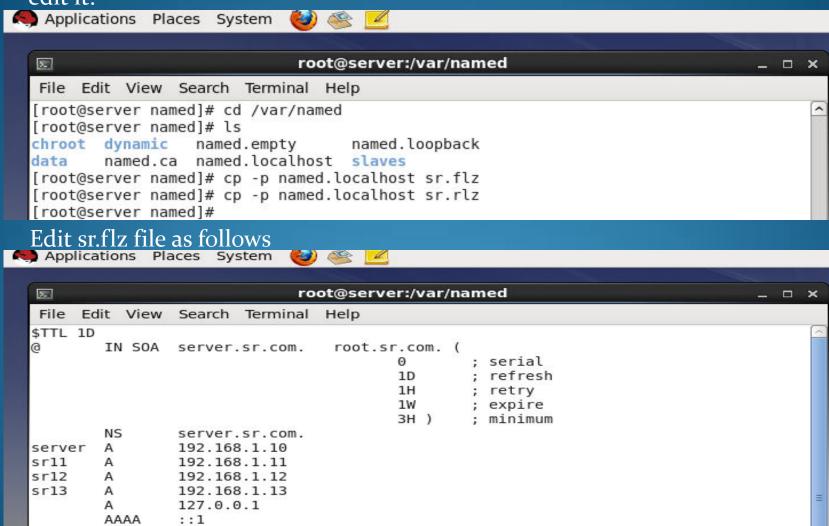


• Edit the zone configuration file i.e. /etc/named.rfc1912.zones and the details of the zones i.e. forward lookup zone and reverse lookup zones Copy the following 11 lines and paste it at the end of the line and edit them.

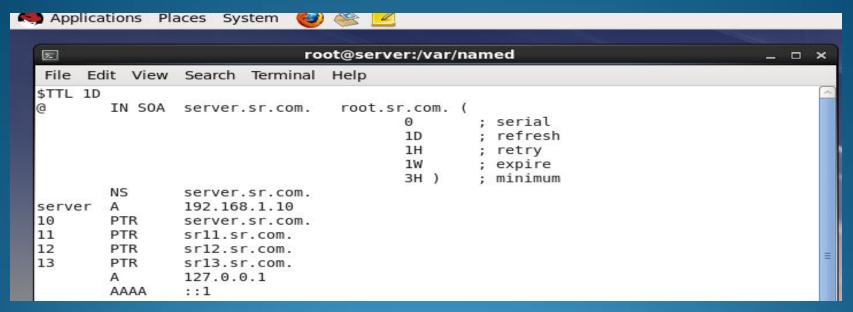


Where "sr.com" is the name of our domain And "1.168.192.in-addr.arpa" is the reverse order of our domain network.

- Navigate to /var/named directory and create a forward and reverse zone files.
- Now copy the named.localhost file with its permissions as sr.flz and sr.rlz and edit it.



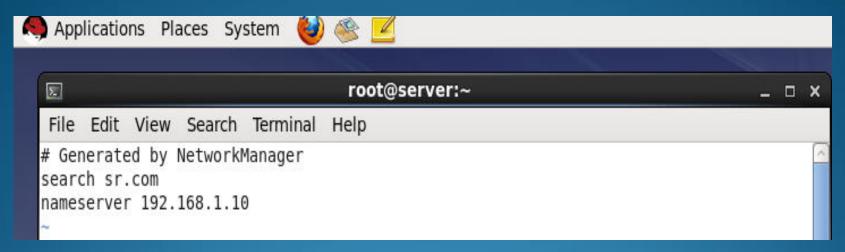
Edit sr.rlz file as follows



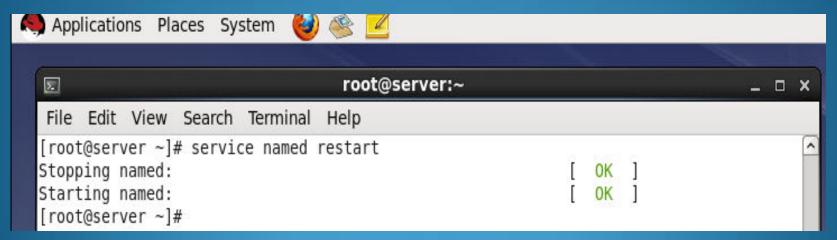
Check zone files are consistent or not by using the command #named-checkzone <domainname> zone file



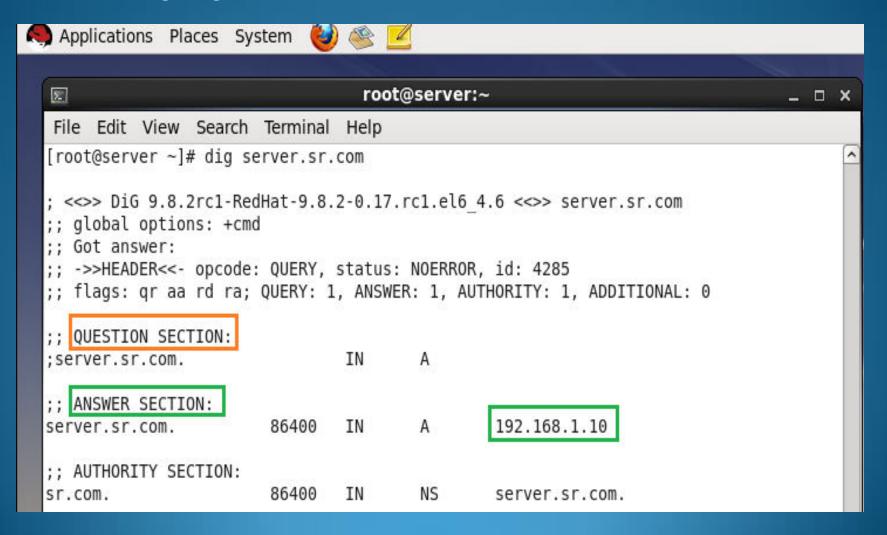
Add the address of DNS server in /etc/resolv.conf



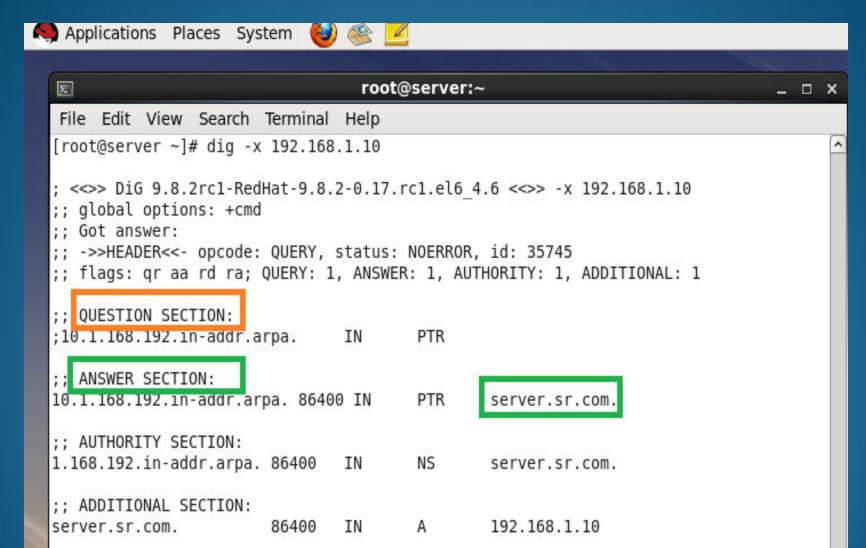
Restart the named services



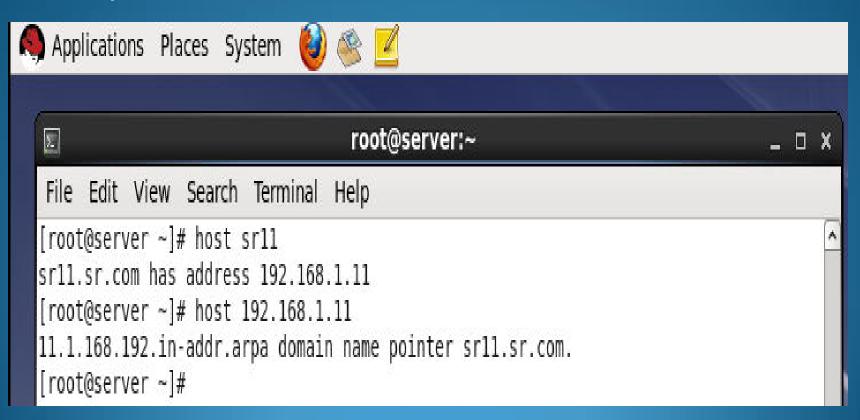
- Now we have done with DNS server configuration, check whether it is resolving IP to hostname and hostname to IP by different commands.
- Check with giving hostname of server



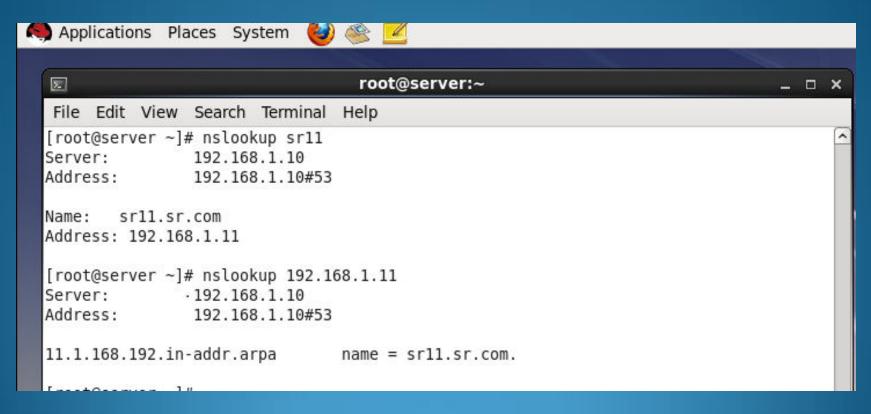
Check with giving IP of hostname



- Check the DNS resolution with host command for both server as well as clients
- #host <hostname>
- #host srii
- Using host command with IP address of server as well as client
- #host 192.168.1.11

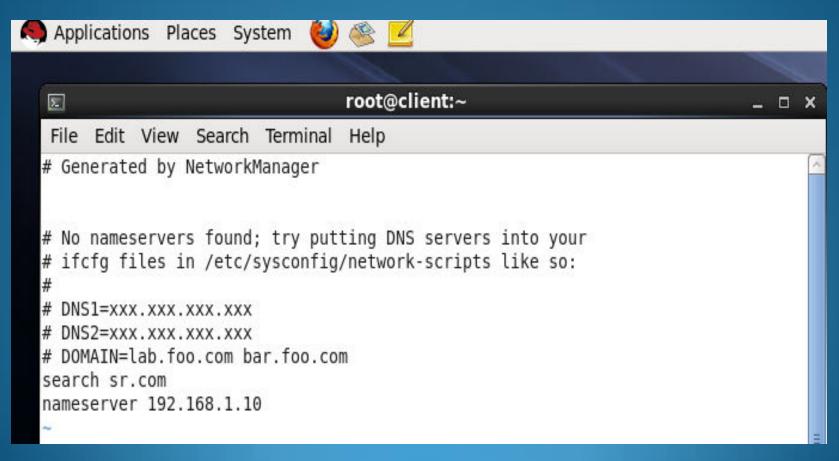


- Using nslookup command to check the DNS resolution.
- #nslookup sr11
- Check with the IP addresses
- #nslookup 192.168.1.11



Client side configuration for DNS

 Log into client machine and add the DNS server's information in /etc/resolv.conf file



Now check with any of the options used previously like dig, host or nslookup for DNS resolution

