

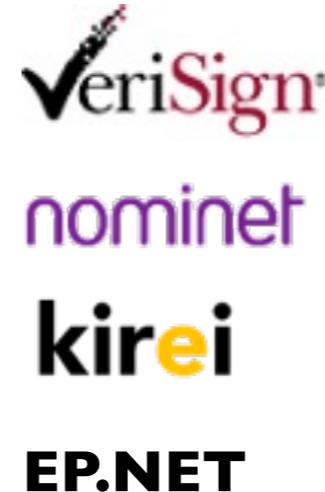


Features and more



Development History

- The first architecture and a Java prototype was developed between 2006-2007.
 - Matt Larson,
 - David Blacka
 - Bill Manning
 - Geoff Sisson,
 - Roy Arends
 - Jacob Schlyter
- NLnet Labs joined early 2007
 - porting the prototype to C and taking on maintenance.
 - First public development release on <http://unbound.net/> in jan 2008
- Substantive testing and feedback of this and earlier versions by:
 - Alexander Gall (switch.ch)
 - Ondřej Surý (.cz)
 - Kai Storbeck (xs4all.nl)
 - Randy Bush (psg, iij)



Overview

- Unbound feature list
- Compilation Environment

Featurelist

- Features
 - Basic
 - More
 - Paranoia
- Design
- Tests
- Testlab
- Graphs

- DNS Server
 - Open source: BSD license
 - Recursion and Caching
 - IPv4 and IPv6 dual stack support
 - DNSSEC validation
 - NSEC, NSEC3, DLV, SHA256
- Tools
 - Unbound-checkconf
 - Unbound-host: validated host lookup
 - Unbound-control: remote control of server
- Documentation
 - man pages, website unbound.net and in code (doxygen)
- Thread support (optional): scalable performance

Features: More

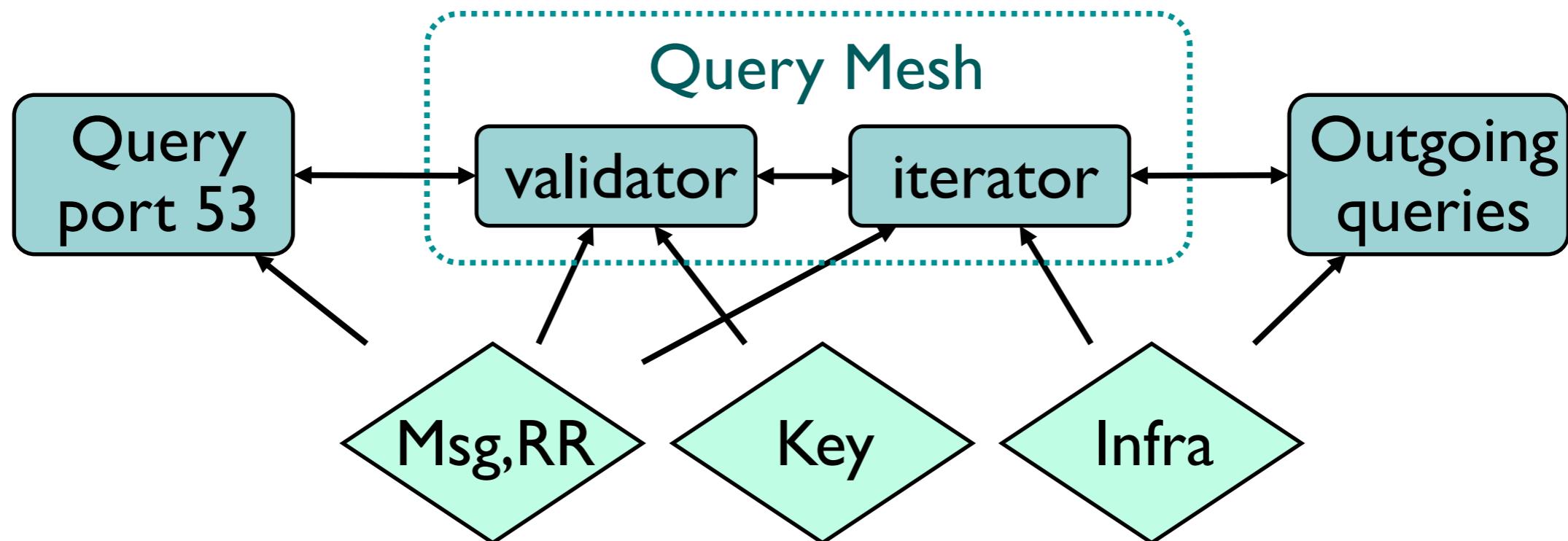
- Trust anchors: feature rich
 - DS and DNSKEY, Zone-format and bind-config
- Authority service: minimal
 - Localhost and reverse (RFC1918) domains
 - Can block domains
- Extended statistics support (munin, cacti)
- contrib/update-anchor.sh script
 - Update trust anchors securely from daily cron job.
- Stop domain name rebinding attacks
- Access control for DNS service
 - not open recursor

Features: Paranoia

- Forgery resilience: full featured
 - Scrubber filters packets for out-of-zone content
 - Follows RFC2181 trust model
 - Follows all recommendations from dnsop draft
 - Query name matching
 - Strong random numbers for ID
 - UDP source port random
 - IP source address random
 - RTT banding
- Experimental 'Kaminsky' mitigation
 - dns-0x20 full support
 - draft-wijngaards-dnsext-resolver-side-mitigation

Design

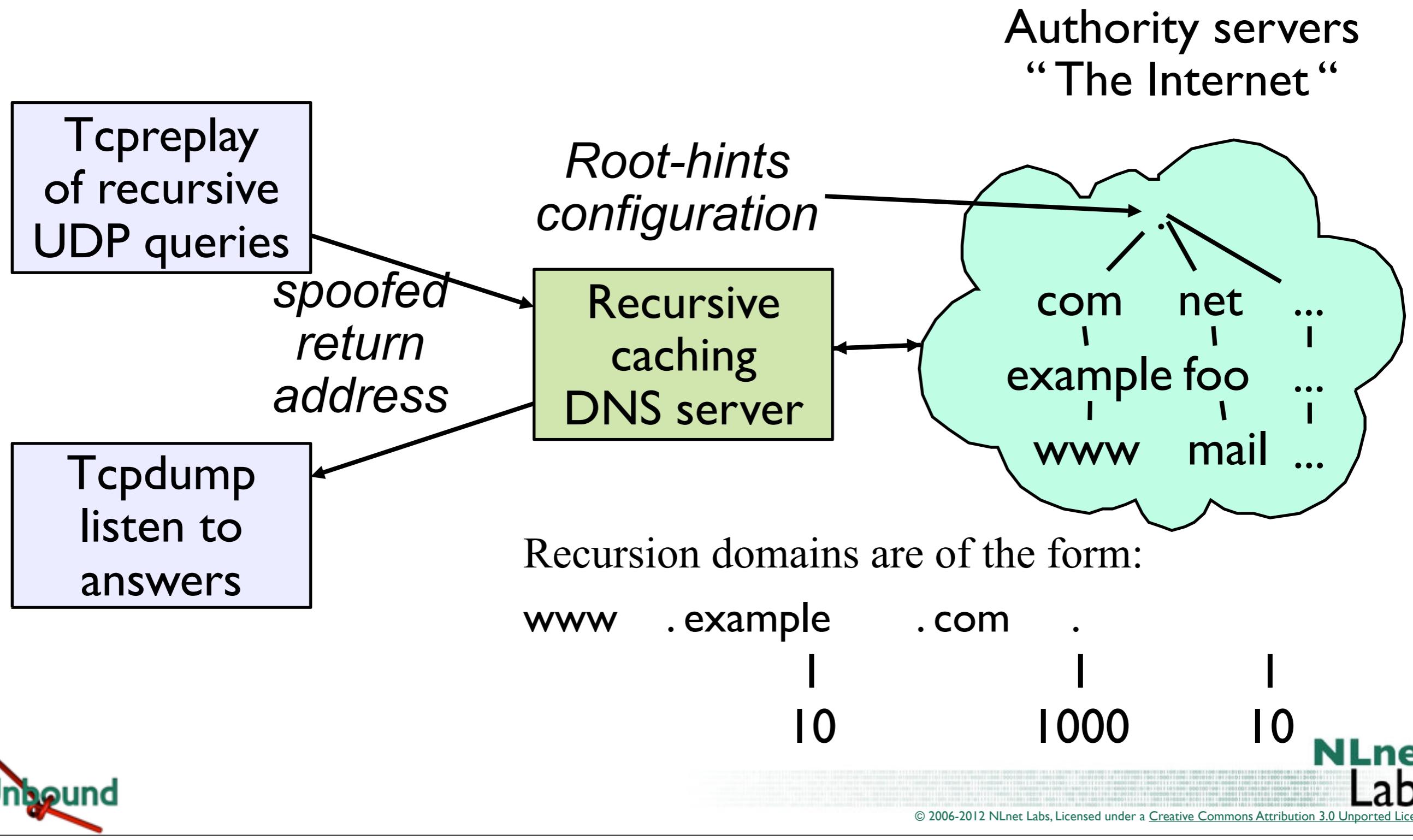
- Worker threads access shared hashtable cache
 - Cache LRU, memory use can be configured
- Modular design, state machines work on query
- Mesh of query dependencies

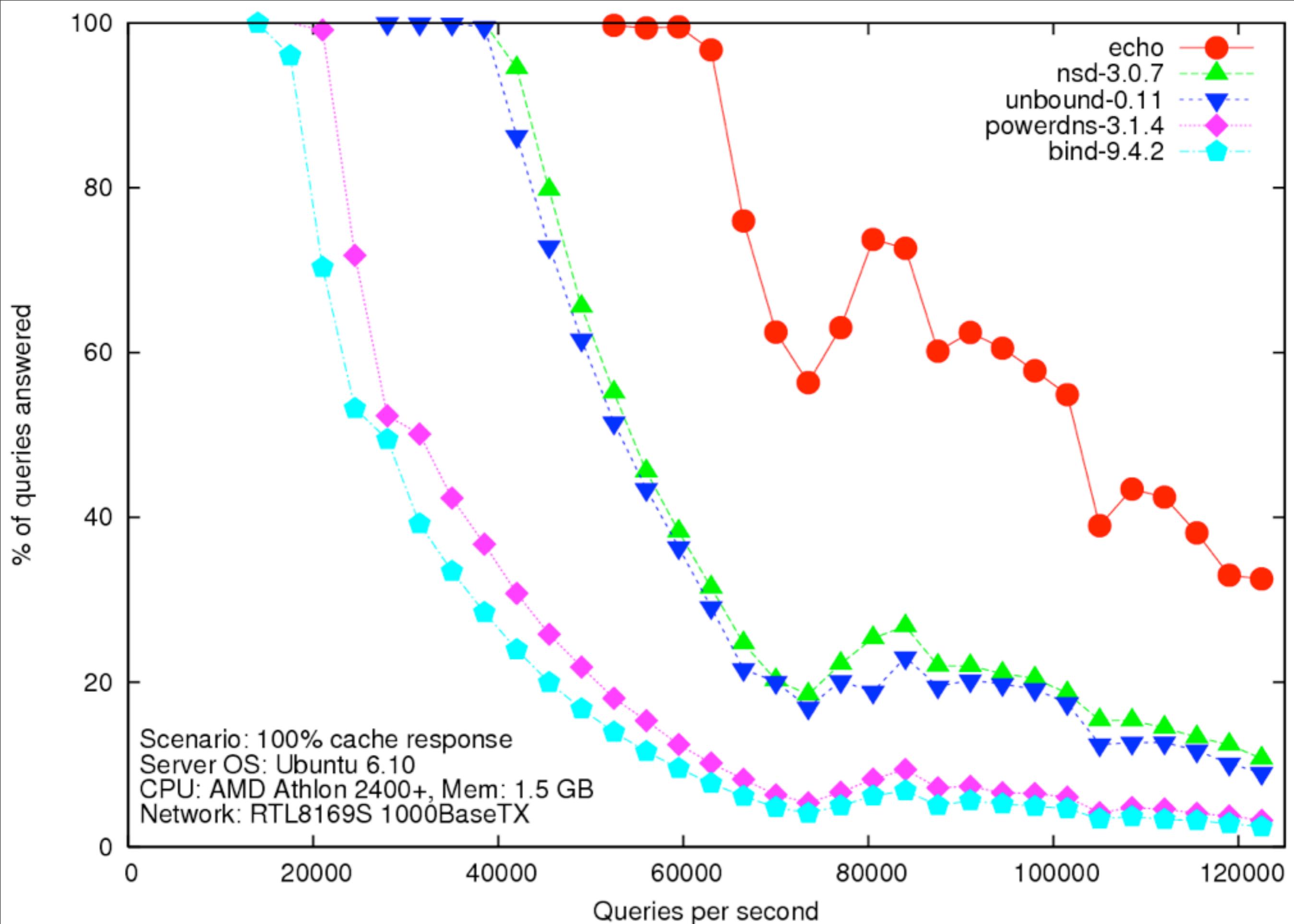


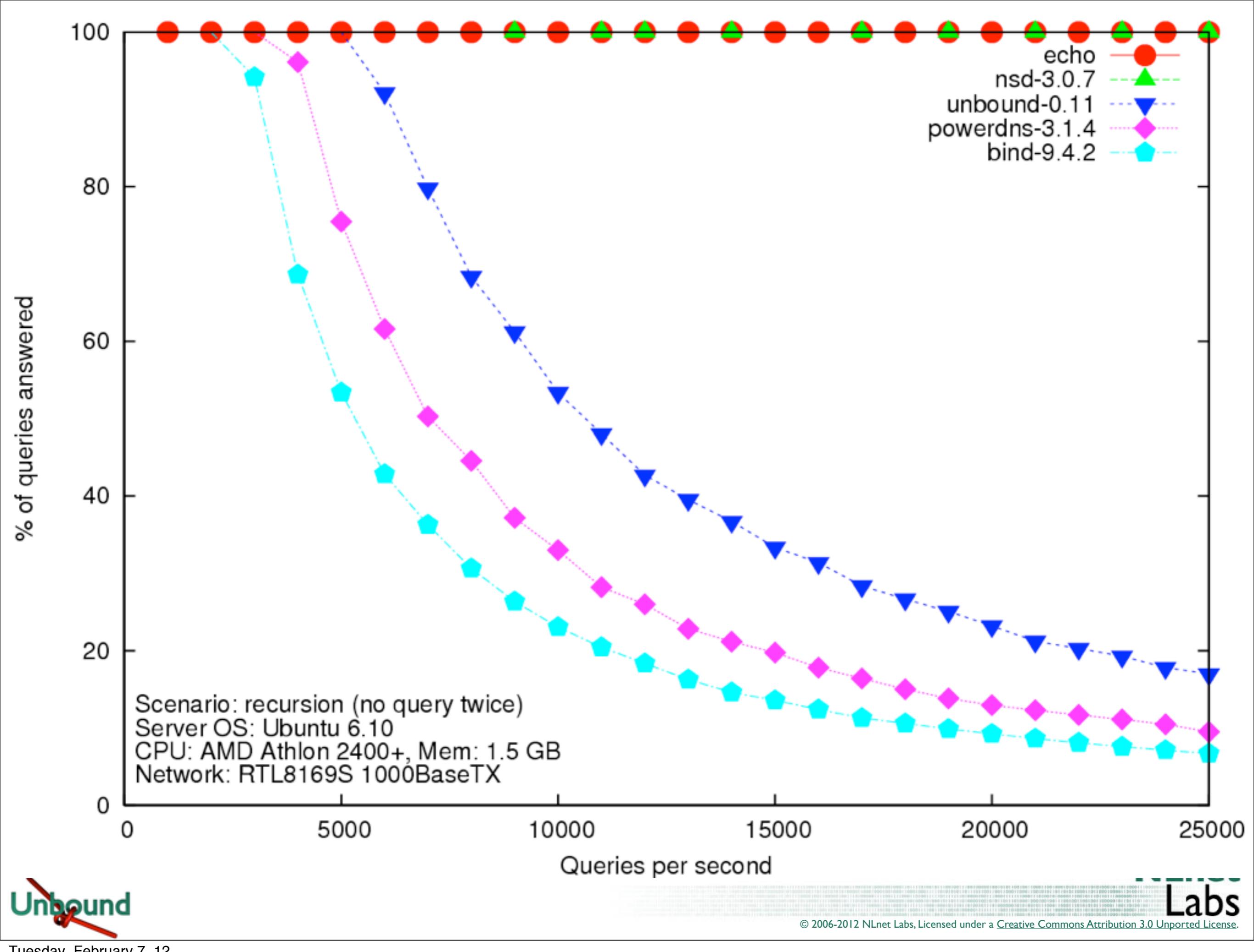
Tests

- Regression tests
 - Unit testing of code
 - State machines tested on replay traces
 - Functionality tests (start daemon, make query)
- Beta tests
 - Test in the real world
- Performance tests
 - Cache performance
 - Recursion performance
 - Test against a known, stable environment

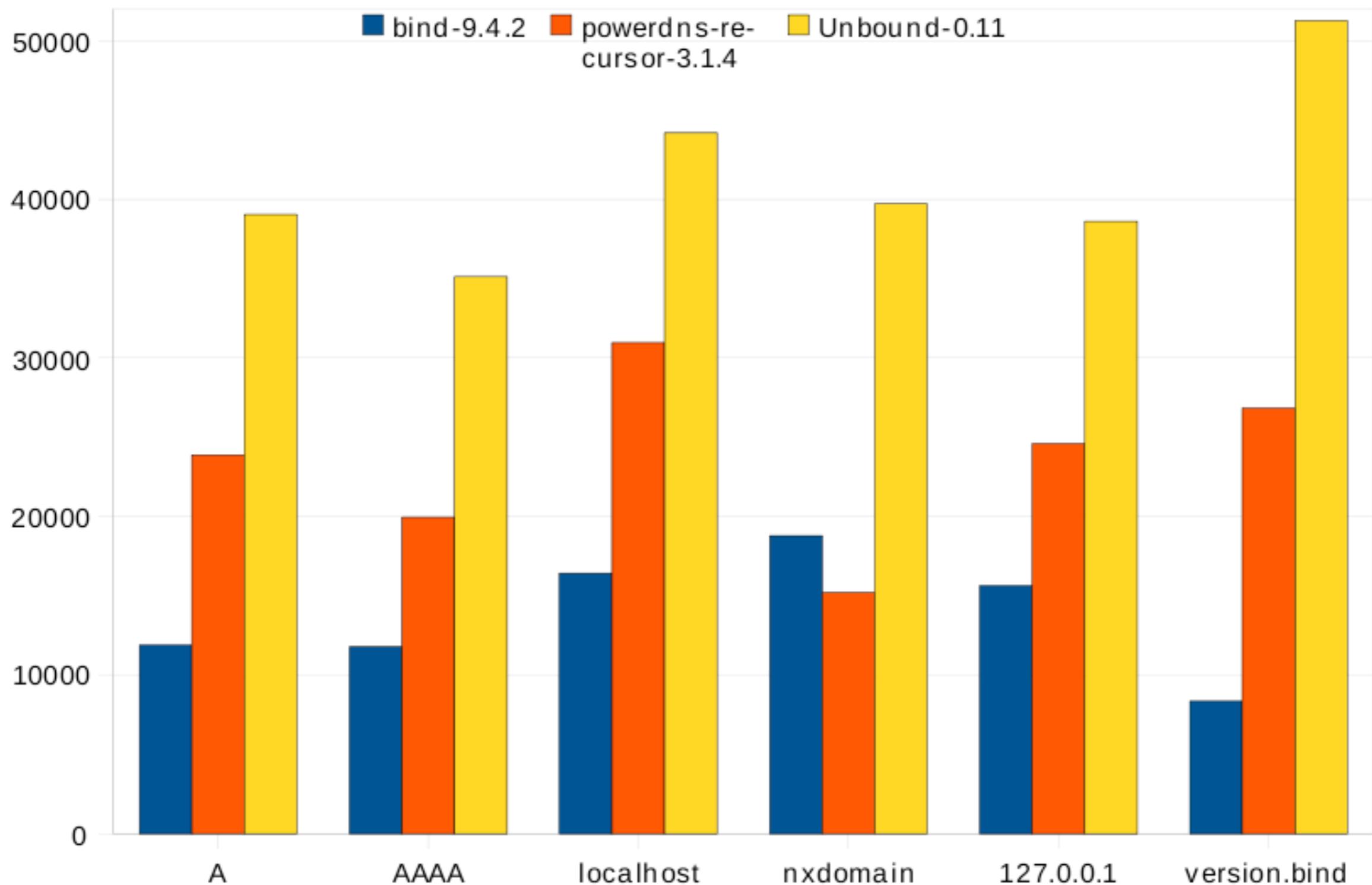
Testlab for Resolvers







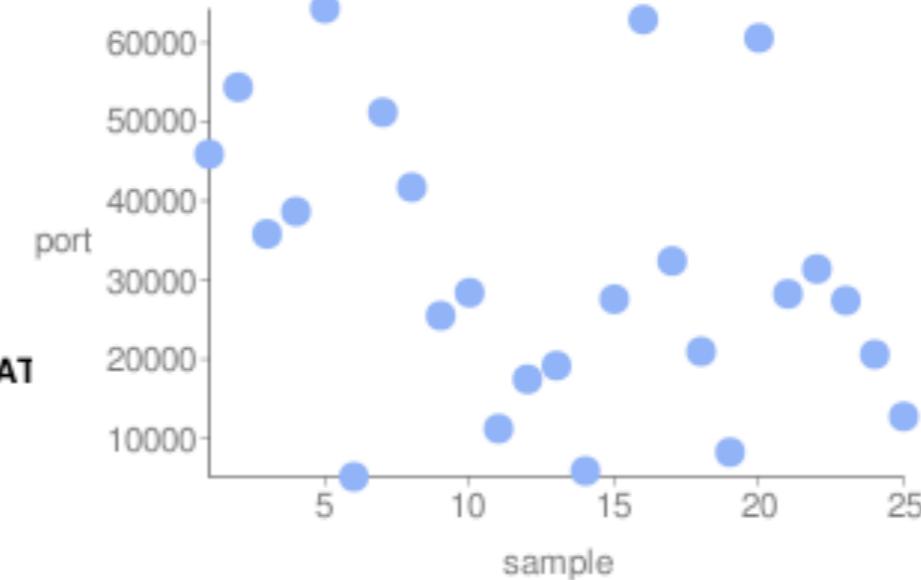
query perf on test server



213.154.224.48 Source Port Randomness: GREAT



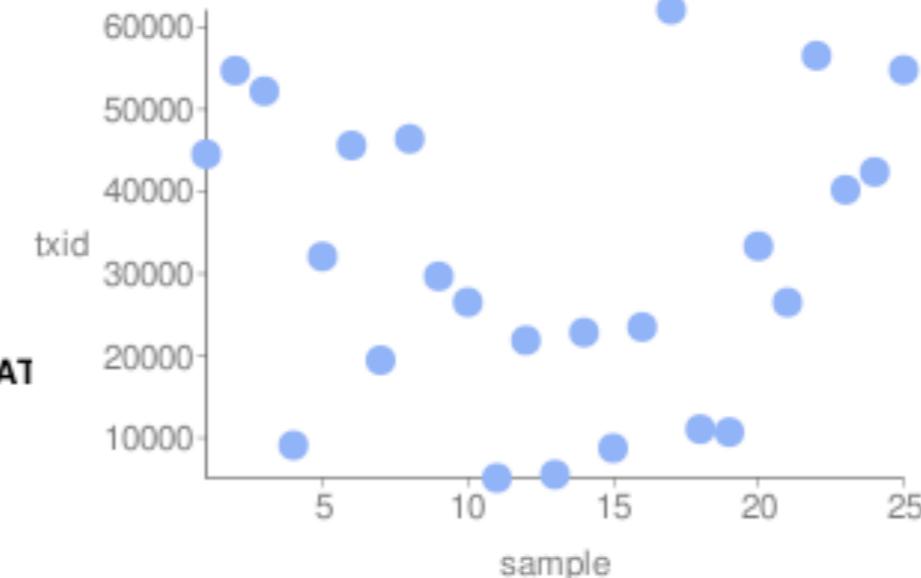
Number of samples: 25
Unique ports: 25
Range: 5123 - 64322
Modified Standard Deviation: 17712
Bits of Randomness: 16
Values Seen: 45918 54388 35829 38666 64322 5123 51205 41725 25497 28396 11213 17461 19176 5856 27586 62940 32406 20965 8236 60611 28244 31401 27409 20603 12749

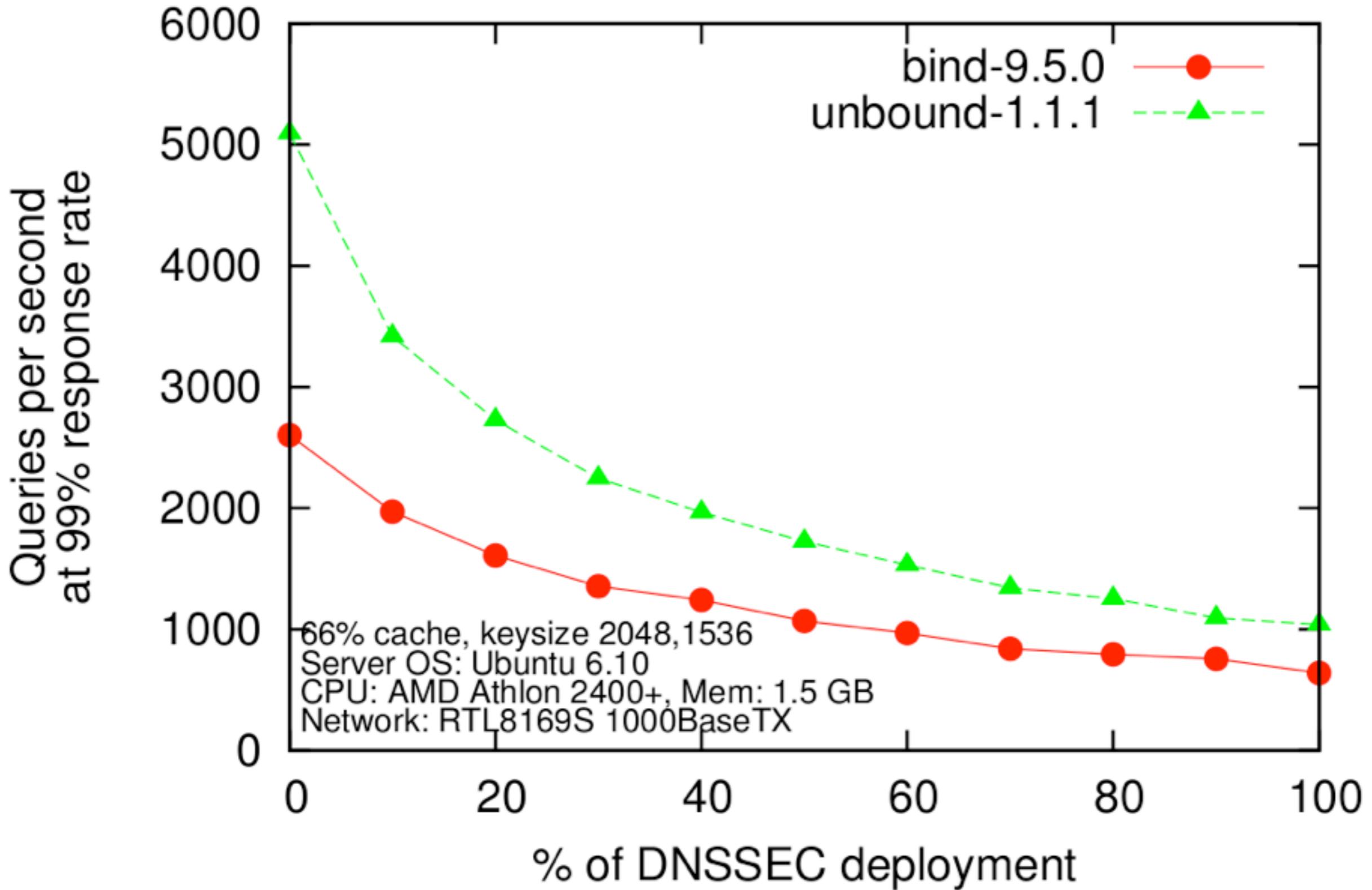


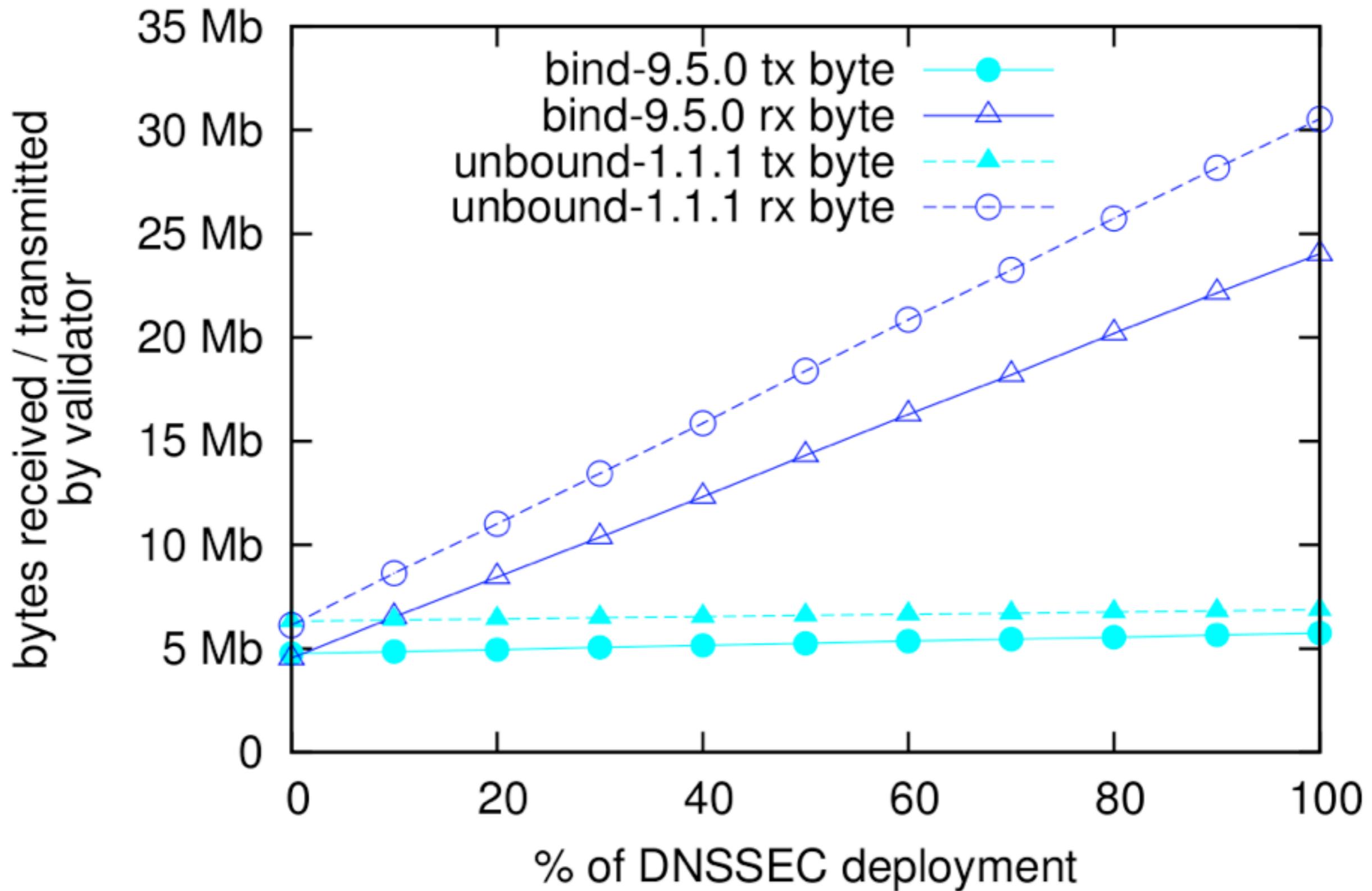
213.154.224.48 Transaction ID Randomness: GREAT



Number of samples: 25
Unique txids: 25
Range: 5114 - 62146
Modified Standard Deviation: 17725
Bits of Randomness: 16
Values Seen: 44547 54735 52228 9091 32091 45617 19462 46422 29676 26515 5114 21877 5528 22836 8745 23499 62146 11060 10702 33346 26496 56548 40211 42392 54813







Summary of Features

- Unbound – Validating Caching Resolver
 - Open source: BSD license
 - DNSSEC
 - Standards compliant
 - High performance
 - Portable: Linux, *BSD, Solaris, MacOS/X
- Support by NLnet Labs
 - Changes to support announced 2 yrs advance
 - Website at <http://unbound.net>

Compilation Environment

Unbound

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Environment

- Compiling
- External Libraries
- Unix Usage
- Windows Port

Compiling

- Platforms
 - AIX, NetBSD, OpenBSD, FreeBSD, OSX Panther Leopard (ppc and intel), Windows XP, Vista, Linux (gentoo, ubuntu, fedora), SunOS 4, 9, 10, 11 (sparc and intel).
- Compilers
 - Gcc – preferred. Also on windows (mingw32)
 - Solaris-cc

External Libraries

- Libevent – for epoll, kqueue, select
 - 1.1 has threadsafety problems
 - 1.4.8-stable works well
 - `EVENT_NOKQUEUE` and similar env variables
 - Builtin minimal select wrapper and win32 api
 - Also 'libev' API compatible alternative
- Openssl
 - 1.0.0 for GOST

Unix Usage

- Config file
 - unbound.conf, in /etc or /usr/local/etc
 - Can have include files if you want (keys, acl).
- Chroot enabled by default
- Reads entropy from /dev/random
- Control
 - Kill -HUP (reload), -QUIT (stop)
 - /etc/rc.d script, start stop restart
 - Unbound-control - SSL key files

Windows Port

- There is an `installer.exe`
 - Need to point DNS to 127.0.0.1
 - Or make ACL for other PCs to allow access.
- Easiest: use `fedora(-I I)` cross-compilation (`mingw32-configure ; make`).
- Also mingw/msys environment on XP,Vista
- Puts itself into the 'services' control panel
 - start/stop with other windows services
 - Report log in 'windows service log'

Configuration

```
#  
# Example configuration file.  
#  
# See unbound.conf(5) man page.  
#  
# this is a comment.  
  
#Use this to include other text into the file.  
#include: "otherfile.conf"  
remote-control:  
    control-enable: yes  
    control-port: 853
```

```
# The server clause sets the main parameters.  
server:  
    interface: 213.154.224.155  
    access-control: 213.154.224.0/24 allow  
    logfile: /usr/local/etc/unbound/unbound.log  
    verbosity: 1  
    extended-statistics: yes  
    log-time-ascii: yes  
    val-log-level: 2  
    prefetch: yes  
    prefetch-key: yes
```



DNSSEC
trust anchor
maintenance

```
# trust anchors from update-itar.sh, updated from cron.  
trust-anchor-file: "/usr/local/etc/unbound/anchors.mf"  
  
# whitespace is not necessary, but looks cleaner.  
  
# verbosity number, 0 is least verbose. 1 is default.  
# verbosity: 1  
  
# print statistics to the log (for every thread) every N seconds.  
# Set to "" or 0 to disable. Default is disabled.  
# statistics-interval: 0  
  
# enable cumulative statistics, without clearing them after printing.  
# statistics-cumulative: no  
# enable extended statistics (query types, answer codes, status)  
# printed from unbound-control. default off, because of speed.  
# extended-statistics: no
```

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Enable for
multicore

```
# server continued
# number of threads to create. 1 disables threading.
# num-threads: 1
```

```
# The default is to listen to localhost (127.0.0.1 and ::1).
# specify 0.0.0.0 and ::0 to bind to all available interfaces.
# specify every interface[@port] on a new 'interface:' labelled line.
# The listen interfaces are not changed on reload, only on restart.
# interface: 192.0.2.153
# interface: 192.0.2.154
# interface: 2001:DB8::5

# enable this feature to copy the source address of queries to reply.
# Socket options not be supported on all platforms. experimental.
# interface-automatic: no

# port to answer queries from
# port: 53

# specify the interfaces to send outgoing queries to authoritative
# server from by ip-address. If none, the default (all) interface
# is used. Specify every interface on a 'outgoing-interface:' line.
# outgoing-interface: 192.0.2.153
# outgoing-interface: 2001:DB8::5
# outgoing-interface: 2001:DB8::6
```

IPv6 by
design



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```
# server continued
# number of ports to allocate per thread, determines the size of the
# port range that can be open simultaneously.
# outgoing-range: 256

# permit unbound to use this port number or port range for
# making outgoing queries, using an outgoing interface.
# outgoing-port-permit: 32768

# deny unbound the use this of port number or port range for
# making outgoing queries, using an outgoing interface.
# Use this to make sure unbound does not grab a UDP port that some
# other server on this computer needs. The default is to avoid
# IANA-assigned port numbers.
# outgoing-port-avoid: "3200-3208"

# number of outgoing simultaneous tcp buffers to hold per thread.
# outgoing-num-tcp: 10

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# incoming-num-tcp: 10
```

Tweak for high-end use

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```
# buffer size for UDP port 53 incoming (SO_RCVBUF socket option).  
# 0 is system default. Use 4m to catch query spikes for busy servers.  
# so-rcvbuf: 0  
  
# EDNS reassembly buffer to advertise to UDP peers (the actual buffer  
# is set with msg-buffer-size). 1480 can solve fragmentation (timeouts).  
# edns-buffer-size: 4096  
  
# buffer size for handling DNS data. No messages larger than this  
# size can be sent or received, by UDP or TCP. In bytes.  
# msg-buffer-size: 65552  
  
# if very busy, 50% queries run to completion, 50% get timeout in msec  
# jostle-timeout: 200  
  
# the time to live (TTL) value lower bound, in seconds. Default 0.  
# If more than an hour could easily give trouble due to stale data.  
# cache-min-ttl: 0
```



Performance under heavy load

Performance under heavy load

Might break highly dynamic content



```
# server continued
# the amount of memory to use for the message cache.
# plain value in bytes or you can append k, m or G. default is "4Mb".
# msg-cache-size: 4m

# the number of slabs to use for the message cache.
# the number of slabs must be a power of 2.
# more slabs reduce lock contention, but fragment memory usage.
# msg-cache-slabs: 4

# the number of queries that a thread gets to service.
# num-queries-per-thread: 1024

# the amount of memory to use for the RRset cache.
# plain value in bytes or you can append k, m or G. default is "4Mb".
# rrset-cache-size: 4m

# the number of slabs to use for the RRset cache.
# the number of slabs must be a power of 2.
# more slabs reduce lock contention, but fragment memory usage.
# rrset-cache-slabs: 4

# the time to live (TTL) value cap for RRsets and messages in the
# cache. Items are not cached for longer. In seconds
# cache-max-ttl: 86400

# the time to live (TTL) value for cached roundtrip times
# EDNS version information for hosts. In seconds.
# infra-host-ttl: 900

# the time to live (TTL) value for cached lame delegations. In sec.
# infra-lame-ttl: 900
```

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Prevents hammering authority



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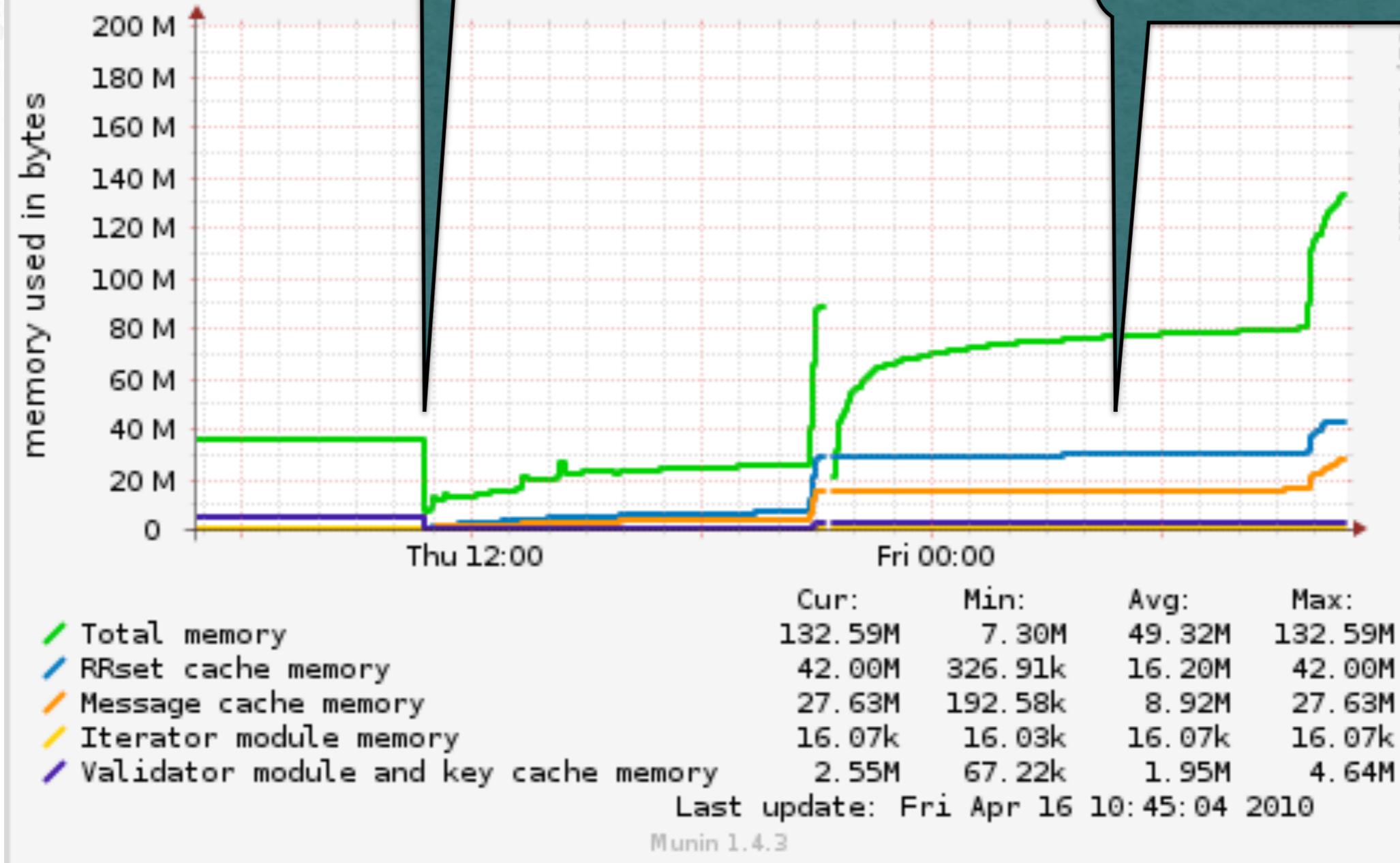
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MSG and RR cache

- MSG cache contains packet data and meta data with pointers to the RRsets in the RR Cache
- RR Cache contains RRsets
- Cache entries are removed only when needed: Caches will grow to their maximum size
- RR cache about twice MSG cache is reasonable

Restart

Eyeball estimate
in "Growing Regime"



	Cur:	Min:	Avg:	Max:
Validator module and key cache memory	5.22M	61.55k	1.62M	4.64M
Iterator module memory	16.07k	16.03k	16.07k	16.07k
Message cache memory	27.63M	192.58k	8.92M	27.63M

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```
# server continued  
# the number of slabs to use for the Infrastructure cache.  
# the number of slabs must be a power of 2.  
# more slabs reduce lock contention, but fragment memory usage.  
# infra-cache-slabs: 4  
  
# the maximum number of hosts that are cached (roundtrip times, EDNS).  
# infra-cache-numhosts: 10000  
  
# the maximum size of the lame zones cached per host. in bytes.  
# infra-cache-lame-size: 10k  
  
# Enable IPv4, "yes" or "no".  
# do-ip4: yes  
  
# Enable IPv6, "yes" or "no".  
# do-ip6: yes  
  
# Enable UDP, "yes" or "no".  
# do-udp: yes  
  
# Enable TCP, "yes" or "no".  
# do-tcp: yes  
  
# Detach from the terminal, run in background, "yes" or "no".  
# do-daemonize: yes
```

You should not need to have to touch these

No: for troubleshooting

Non-recursive queries
dropped by default

```
# server continued
# control which clients are allowed to make (recursive) queries
# to this server. Specify classless netblocks with /size and action.
# By default everything is refused, except for localhost.
# Choose deny (drop message), refuse (polite error reply),
# allow (recursive ok), allow_snoop (recursive and nonrecursive ok)
# access-control: 0.0.0.0/0 refuse
# access-control: 127.0.0.0/8 allow
# access-control: ::0/0 refuse
# access-control: ::1 allow
# access-control: ::ffff:127.0.0.1 allow
```

Run an open recursive
nameserver?

```
# if given, a chroot(2) is done to the given directory.
# i.e. you can chroot to the working directory, for example,
# for extra security, but make sure all files are in that directory.
# If you give "" no chroot is performed.
# chroot: "/etc/unbound"
```

```
# if given, user privileges are dropped (after binding port),
# and the given username is assumed. Default is user "unbound".
# If you give "" no privileges are dropped.
# username: "unbound"
```

```
# the working directory.
# directory: "/etc/unbound"
```

You should run in a jail
with dropped privs

```

# server continued
# the log file, "" means log to stderr.
# Use of this option sets use-syslog to "no".
# logfile: ""

# Log to syslog(3) if yes. The log facility LOG_DAEMON is used to
# log to, with identity "unbound". If yes, it overrides the logfile.
# use-syslog: yes

# print UTC timestamp in ascii to logfile, default is epoch in seconds.
# log-time-ascii: no

# the pid file.
# pidfile: "/usr/local/etc/unbound/unbound.pid"

# file to read root hints from.
# get one from ftp://FTP.INTERNIC.NET/domain/named.cache
# root-hints: ""

# enable to not answer id.server and hostname.bind queries.
# hide-identity: no

# enable to not answer version.server and version.bind queries.
# hide-version: no

# the identity to report. Leave "" or default to return hostname.
# identity: ""

# the version to report. Leave "" or default to return package version.
# version: ""

```

Root nameservers
change so now and then

Security through obscurity?



```
# server continued
# the target fetch policy.
# series of integers describing the policy per dependency depth.
# The number of values in the list determines the maximum dependency
# depth the recursor will pursue before giving up. Each integer means:
# -1 : fetch all targets opportunistically,
# 0: fetch on demand,
# positive value: fetch that many targets opportunistically.
# Enclose the list of numbers between quotes ("").
# target-fetch-policy: "3 2 1 0 0"

# Harden against very small EDNS buffer sizes.
# harden-short-buflen: no

# Harden against unseemly large queries.
# harden-large-queries: no

# Harden against out of zone rrsets, to avoid spoofing attempts.
# harden-glue: yes

# Harden against receiving dnssec-stripped data. If you turn it
# off, failing to validate dnskey data for a trustanchor will
# trigger insecure mode for that zone (like without a trustanchor).
# Default on, which insists on dnssec data for trust-anchored zones.
# harden-dnssec-stripped: yes

# Harden the referral path by performing additional queries for
# infrastructure data. Validates the replies (if possible).
# Default off, because the lookups burden the server. Experimental
# implementation of draft-wijngaards-dnsext-resolver-side-mitigation.
# harden-referral-path: no
```

Protection mechanism
against corner cases

```
# server continued  
# Use 0x20-encoded random bits in the query to foil spoof attempts.  
# Disabled by default, because some caching forwarders may not  
# support this (if you have forward-zones). Most authority servers do.  
# This feature is an experimental implementation of draft dns-0x20.  
# It is known that some authority servers do not support 0x20, and  
# resolution will fail for them. A solution is on the TODO list.  
# use-caps-for-id: no
```

This is a non-standard cache protection mechanism

```
# Enforce privacy of these addresses. Strips them away from answers.  
# It may cause DNSSEC validation to additionally mark it as bogus.  
# Protects against 'DNS Rebinding' (uses browser as network proxy).  
# Only 'private-domain' and 'local-data' names are allowed to have  
# these private addresses. No default.
```

```
# private-address: 10.0.0.0/8  
# private-address: 172.16.0.0/12  
# private-address: 192.168.0.0/16  
# private-address: 192.254.0.0/16  
# private-address: fd00::/8  
# private-address: fe80::/10
```

This is a mechanism to
protect against very specific
kinds of host attacks
(DNS is used as tool)

```
# Allow the domain (and its subdomains) to contain private addresses.  
# local-data statements are allowed to contain private addresses too.  
# private-domain: "example.com"
```

```
# server continued  
# Do not query the following addresses. No DNS queries are sent there.  
# List one address per entry. List classless netblocks with /size,  
# do-not-query-address: 127.0.0.1/8  
# do-not-query-address: ::1  
  
# if yes, perform prefetching of almost expired message cache entries.  
# prefetch: no  
  
# if yes, perform key lookups adjacent to normal lookups.  
# prefetch-key: no  
  
# if yes, the above default do-not-query-address entries are present.  
# if no, localhost can be queried (for testing and debugging).  
# do-not-query-localhost: yes
```

This is a mechanism to keep
the cache responsive.
YMMV

Validator may be skipped if you do not run DNSSEC. It doesn't harm to keep the validator around though.

server continued

```
# If nonzero, unwanted replies are not only reported in statistics,  
# but also a running total is kept per thread. If it reaches the  
# threshold, a warning is printed and a defensive action is taken,  
# the cache is cleared to flush potential poison out of it.  
# A suggested value is 10000000, the default is 0 (turned off).  
# unwanted-reply-threshold: 0
```

```
# module configuration of the server. A string with identifiers  
# separated by spaces. "iterator" or "validator iterator"  
# module-config: "validator iterator"
```

```
# File with DLV trusted keys. Same format as trust-anchor-file.  
# There can be only one DLV configured, it is trusted from root down.  
# Download http://ftp.isc.org/www/dlv/dlv.isc.org.key  
# dlv-anchor-file: "dlv.isc.org.key"
```

```
# File with trusted keys for validation. Specify more than one file  
# with several entries, one file per entry.  
# Zone file format, with DS and DNSKEY entries.  
# trust-anchor-file: ""
```

```
# File with trusted keys, kept up-to-date using RFC5011 probes.  
# initial file like trust-anchor-file, then it  
# Use several entries, one per domain name, to  
# auto-trust-anchor-file: ""  
  
# Trusted key for validation. DS or DNSKEY. single line, surrounded by "".  
# TTL is ignored. class is IN default.  
# (These examples are from August 2007 and may not be valid anymore).  
# trust-anchor: "nlnetlabs.nl. DNSKEY 257 3 5 AQPzzTWQP7 (...) YtEIQ=="  
# trust-anchor: "jelte.nlnetlabs.nl. DS 42860 5 1 14D739EB566D2B1 (...) 038BE4A"
```

If a key doesn't do RFC5011 you should seriously consider whether you want to configure the trust-anchor

```
# File with trusted keys for validation. Specify more than one file  
# with several entries, one file per entry. Like trust-anchor-file  
# but has a different file format. Format is BIND-9 style format,  
# the trusted-keys { name flag proto algo "key"; }; clauses are read.  
# trusted-keys-file: ""
```

Work around broken
DNSSEC

```
# Ignore chain of trust. Domain is treated as insecure.  
# domain-insecure: "example.com"
```

```
# The signature inception and expiration dates are allowed to be off  
# by 10% of the signature lifetime (expir-incep) from our local clock.  
# This leeway is capped with a minimum and a maximum. In seconds.  
# val-sig-skew-min: 3600  
# val-sig-skew-max: 86400
```

```
# Override the date for validation with a specific date. See above.  
# Do not set this unless you are debugging signatures  
# and expiration. "" or "0" turns the feature off.  
# val-override-date: ""
```

Debugging only!



```
# server continued
# Override the date for validation with a specific fixed date.
# Do not set this unless you are debugging signature inception
# and expiration. "" or "0" turns the feature off.
# val-override-date: ""

# The time to live for bogus data, rrsets and messages. This avoids
# some of the revalidation, until the
# val-bogus-ttl: 900
```

How long to stay in a failure state before retrying

```
# Have the validator log failed validations for your diagnosis.
# 0: off. 1: A line per failed user query. 2: With reason and bad IP.
# val-log-level: 0

# Should additional section of secure message also be kept clean of
# unsecure data. Useful to shield the users of this validator from
# potential bogus data in the additional section. All unsigned data
# in the additional section is removed from secure messages.
# val-clean-additional: yes

# Turn permissive mode on to permit bogus messages. Thus, messages
# for which security checks failed will be returned to clients,
# instead of SERVFAIL. It still performs the security checks, which
# result in interesting log files and possibly the AD bit in
# replies if the message is found secure. The default is off.
# val-permissive-mode: no
```

RFC 5011 (autotrust) timers

More DNSSEC config

```
# it is possible to configure NSEC3 maximum item size.  
# keysizes. Keep this table very short, as lists longer than  
# 10 items are considered insecure.  
# A message with an NSEC3 with larger count is marked insecure.  
# List in ascending order the keysizes and count values.  
# val-nsec3-keysizes-iterations: "1024 150 2048 500 4096 2500"
```

```
# instruct the auto-trust-anchor-file probing to add anchors after ttl.  
# add-holddown: 2592000 # 30 days
```

RFC specified defaults

```
# instruct the auto-trust-anchor-file probing to del anchors after ttl.  
# del-holddown: 2592000 # 30 days
```

RFC specified defaults

```
# auto-trust-anchor-file probing removes missing anchors after ttl.  
# If the value 0 is given, missing anchors are not removed.  
# keep-missing: 31622400 # 366 days
```

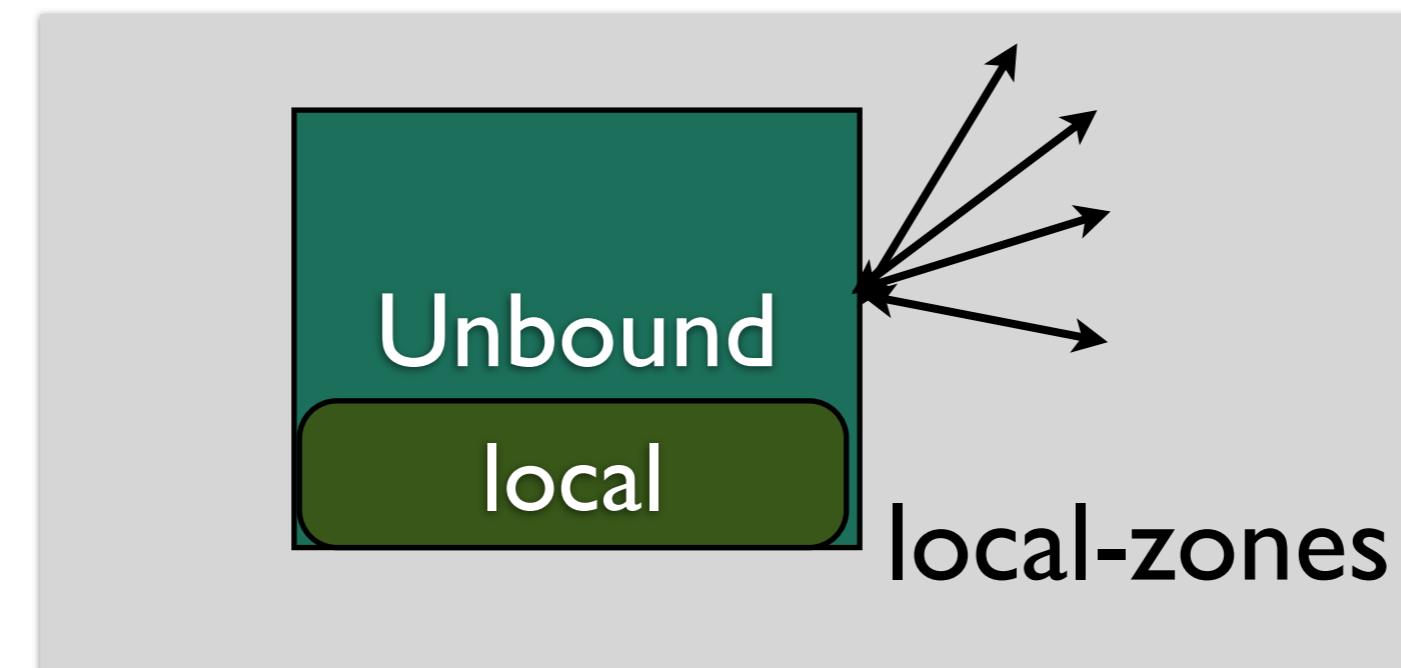
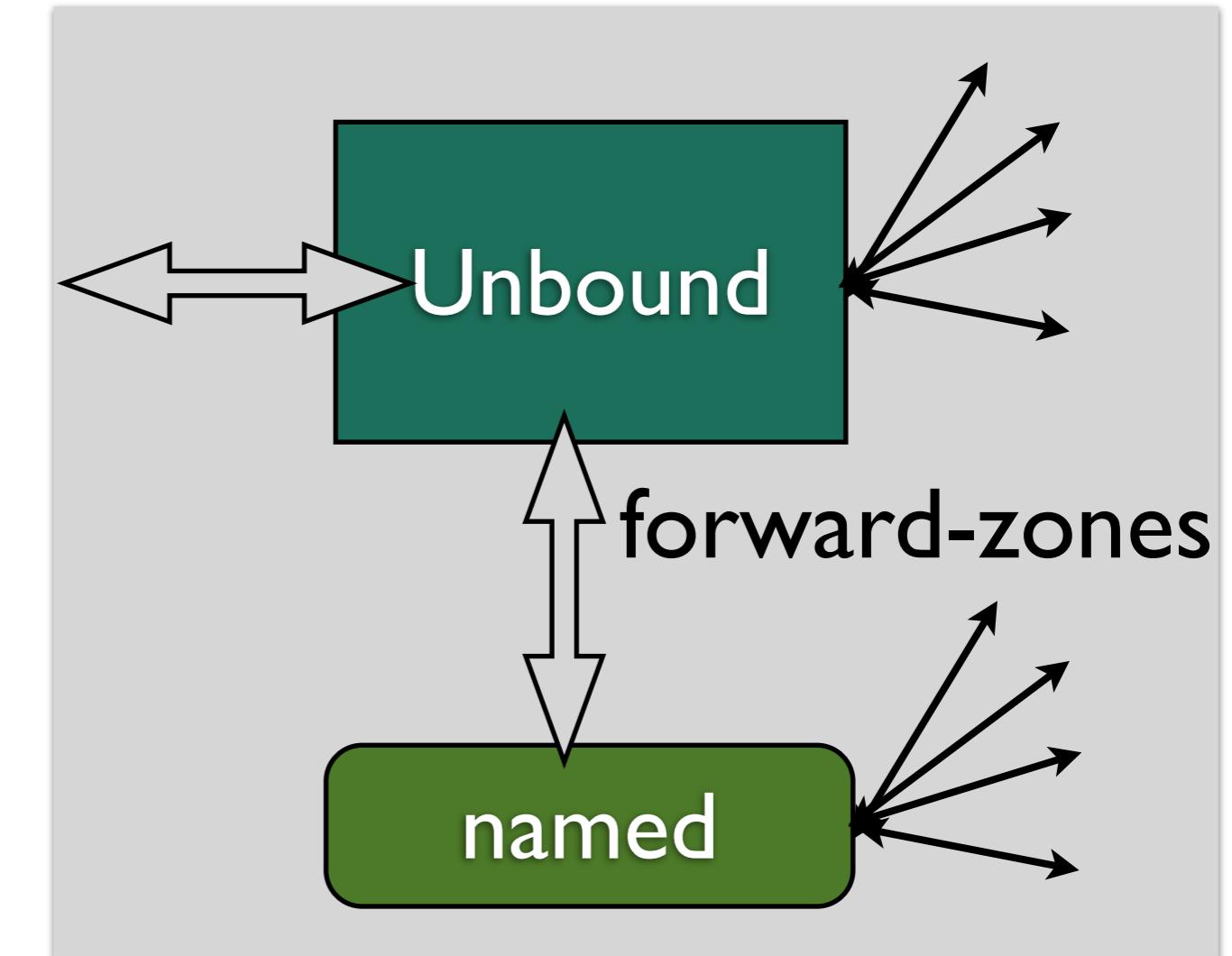
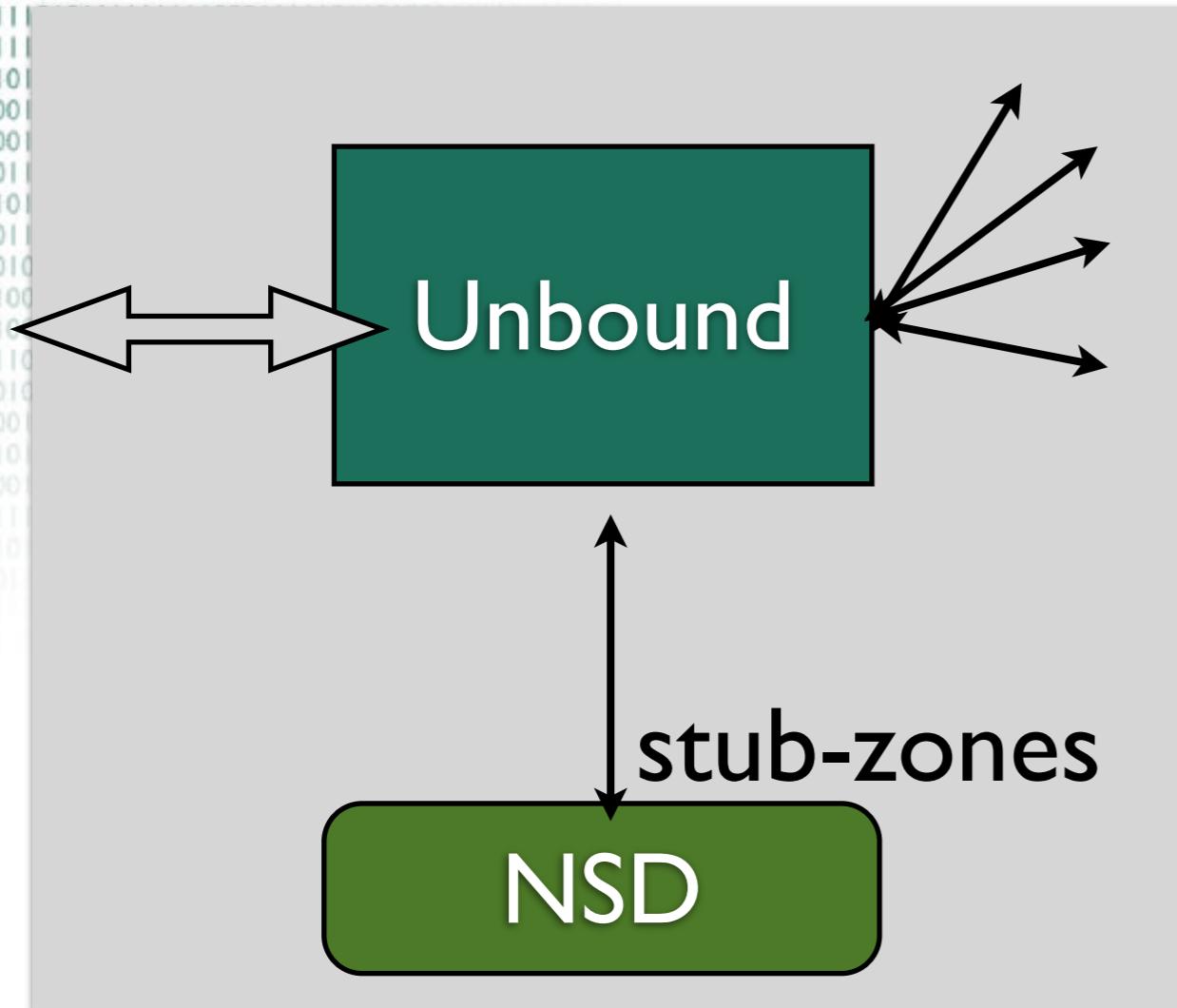
```
# the amount of memory to use for the key cache.  
# plain value in bytes or you can append k, m or G. default is "4Mb".  
# key-cache-size: 4m  
  
# the number of slabs to use for the key cache.  
# the number of slabs must be a power of 2.  
# more slabs reduce lock contention, but fragment memory usage.
```

```
# key-cache-slabs: 4 # the amount of memory to use for the negative cache  
# (used for DLV).  
# plain value in bytes or you can append k, m or G. default is "1Mb".  
# neg-cache-size: 1m
```

Enables you to configure some authoritative special cases

server continued

```
# a number of locally served zones can be configured.  
# local-zone: <zone> <type>  
# local-data: "<resource record string>"  
# o deny serves local data (if any), else, drops queries.  
# o refuse serves local data (if any), else, replies with error.  
# o static serves local data, else, nxdomain or nodata answer.  
# o transparent serves local data, else, resolves normally .  
# o redirect serves the zone data for any subdomain in the zone.  
# o nodefault can be used to normally resolve AS112 zones.  
  
# defaults are localhost address, reverse for 127.0.0.1 and ::1  
# and nxdomain for AS112 zones. If you configure one of these zones  
# the default content is omitted, or you can omit it with 'nodefault'.  
  
# If you configure local-data without specifying local-zone, by  
# default a transparent local-zone is created for the data.  
  
# You can add locally served data with  
# local-zone: "local." static  
# local-data: "mycomputer.local. IN A 192.0.2.51"  
# local-data: 'mytext.local TXT "content of text record'"  
  
# You can override certain queries with  
# local-data: "adserver.example.com A 127.0.0.1"  
#
```



Unbound

```
# server continued
# You can redirect a domain to a fixed address with
# (this makes example.com, www.example.com, etc, all go to 192.0.2.3)
# local-zone: "example.com" redirect
# local-data: "example.com A 192.0.2.3"
```

```
# Python config section. To enable:  
# o use --with-pythonmodule to configure before compiling.  
# o list python in the module-config string (above) to enable  
# o and give a python-script to run.  
python:  
    # Script file to load  
    # python-script: "/usr/local/etc/unbound/ubmodule-tst.py"
```

Mess with the DNS through python callbacks



```
# Remote control config section.  
remote-control:  
    # Enable remote control with unbound-control(8) here.  
    # set up the keys and certificates with unbound-control-setup.  
    # control-enable: no  
  
    # what interfaces are listened to for remote control.  
    # give 0.0.0.0 and ::0 to listen to all interfaces.  
    # control-interface: 127.0.0.1  
    # control-interface: ::1  
  
    # port number for remote control operations.  
    # control-port: 953  
  
    # unbound server key file.  
    # server-key-file: "/usr/local/etc/unbound/unbound_server.key"  
  
    # unbound server certificate file.  
    # server-cert-file: "/usr/local/etc/unbound/unbound_server.pem"  
  
    # unbound-control key file.  
    # control-key-file: "/usr/local/etc/unbound/unbound_control.key"  
  
    # unbound-control certificate file.  
    # control-cert-file: "/usr/local/etc/unbound/unbound_control.pem"
```



```

# Stub zones.
# Create entries like below, to make all queries for 'example.com' and
# 'example.org' go to the given list of nameservers. list zero or more
# nameservers by hostname or by ipaddress.
# stub-zone:
#   name: "example.com"
#   stub-addr: 192.0.2.68
# stub-zone:
#   name: "example.org"
#   stub-host: ns.example.com.

# Forward zones
# Create entries like below, to make all queries for 'example.com' and
# 'example.org' go to the given list of servers. These servers have to handle
# recursion to other nameservers. List zero or more nameservers by hostname
# or by ipaddress. Use an entry with name "." to forward all queries.
# forward-zone:
#   name: "example.com"
#   forward-addr: 192.0.2.68
#   forward-addr: 192.0.2.73@5355 # forward to port 5355.
# forward-zone:
#   name: "example.org"
#   forward-host: fwd.example.com

stub-zone:
  # .ae IDN ccTLD.
  name: "xn--mgbam7a8h"
  stub-addr: 213.42.20.76
  stub-addr: 212.26.18.12
  stub-prime: yes

```

The closest thing to views



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Stats and Munin

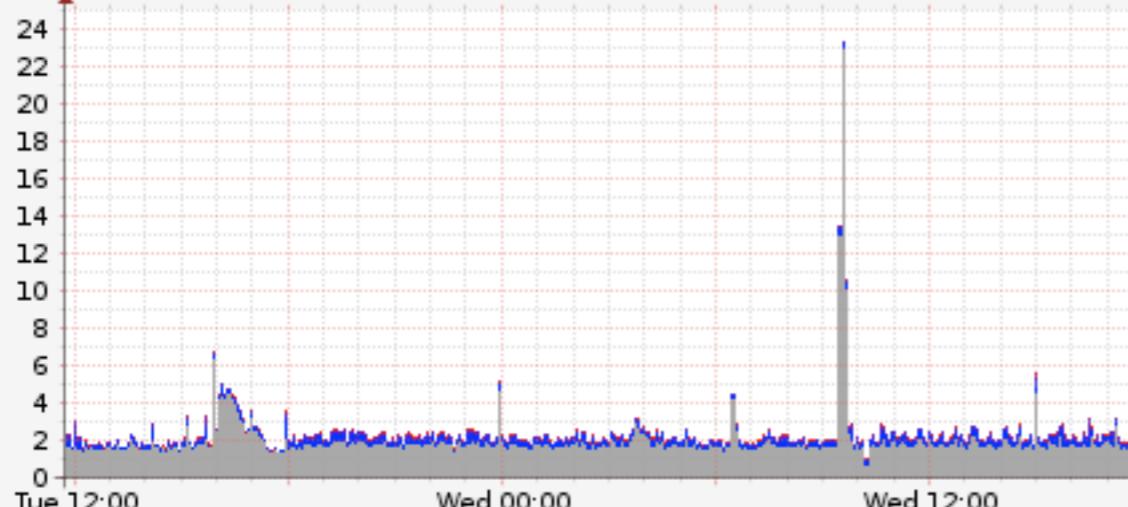
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Unbound DNS histogram of reply time - by day

queries / second



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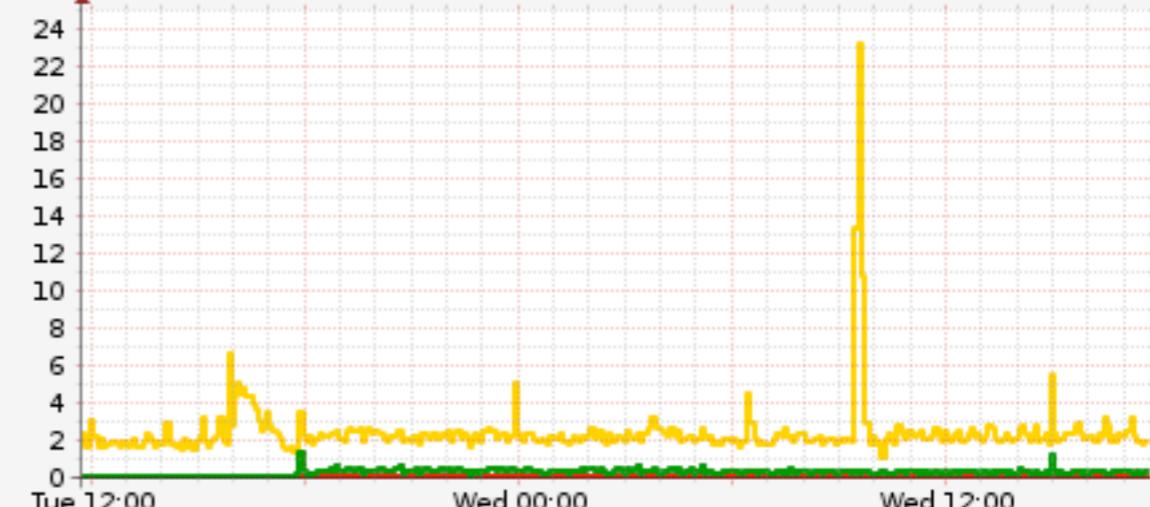
	Cur:	Min:	Avg:	Max:
cache hits	1.55	661.21m	1.90	22.94
0 msec - 66 msec	159.92m	14.82m	253.81m	1.02
66 msec - 131 msec	42.93m	507.45u	46.36m	279.61m
131 msec - 262 msec	39.69m	628.32u	56.82m	453.23m
262 msec - 524 msec	29.89m	89.91u	27.80m	295.22m
524 msec - 1 sec	9.99m	0.00	7.86m	61.33m
1 sec - 2 sec	3.33m	0.00	2.64m	25.89m
2 sec - 4 sec	3.52m	0.00	5.43m	108.94m
4 sec - 8 sec	189.68u	0.00	1.40m	32.33m
8 sec - ...	0.00	0.00	1.15m	29.45m

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Munin 1.4.3

Unbound DNS incoming queries by flags - by day

queries / second



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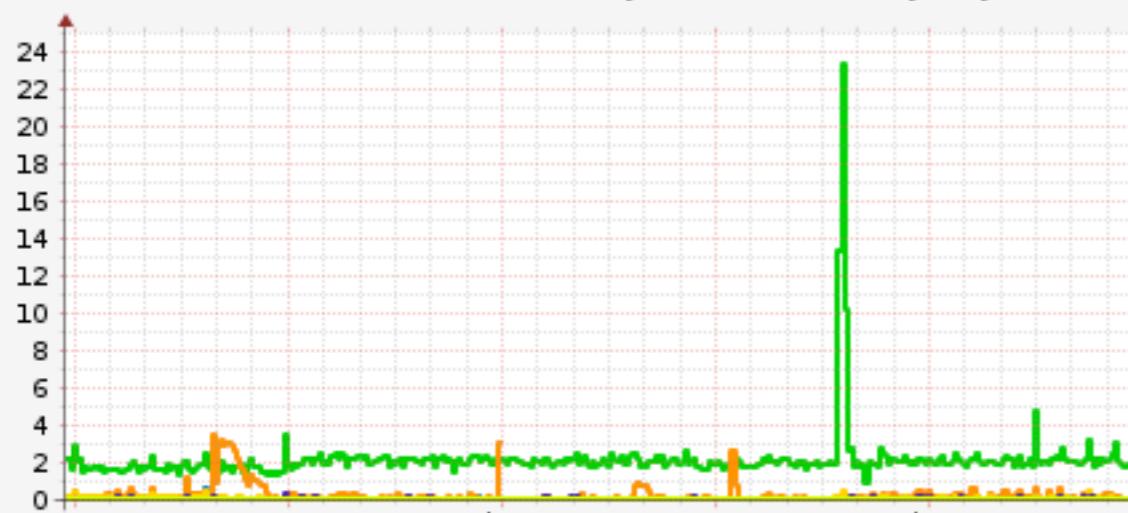
	Cur:	Min:	Avg:	Max:
QR (query reply) flag	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
AA (auth answer) flag	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TC (truncated) flag	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
RD (recursion desired) flag	1.83	953.70m	2.30	23.09
RA (rec avail) flag	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Z (zero) flag	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
AD (auth data) flag	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
CD (check disabled) flag	0.00	0.00	9.25u	3.16m
EDNS OPT present	220.49m	0.00	216.92m	1.27
DO (DNSSEC OK) flag	220.49m	0.00	216.92m	1.27

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Unbound DNS answers by return code - by day

answer packets / second



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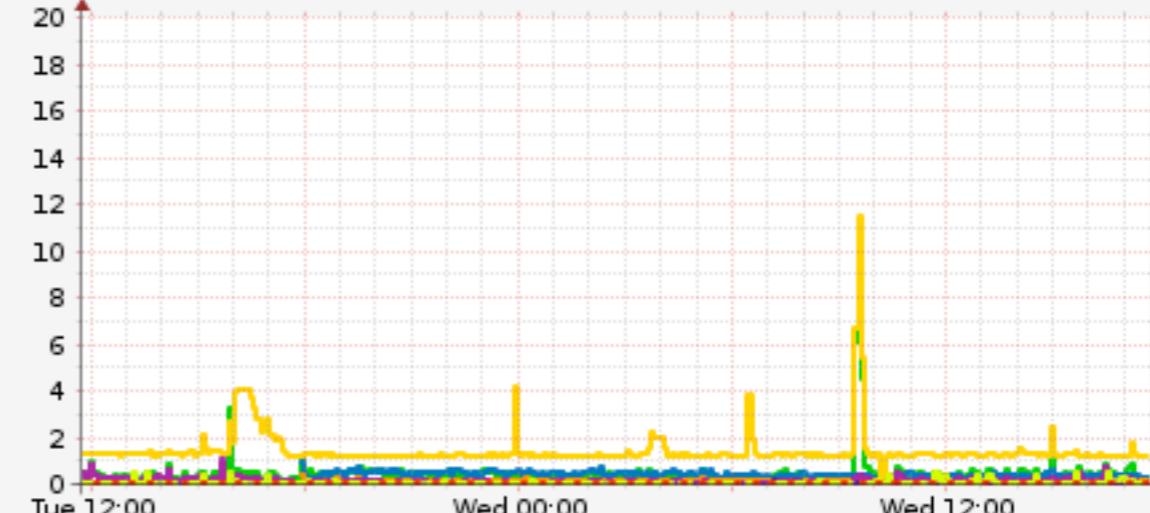
	Cur:	Min:	Avg:	Max:
NOERROR	1.79	879.77m	2.07	23.28
SERVFAIL	6.86m	3.37m	17.70m	624.66m
NXDOMAIN	43.37m	3.33m	221.14m	3.45
nodata	16.72m	3.34m	44.44m	437.90m
answer secure	58.92m	0.00	26.59m	231.75m
answer bogus	0.00	0.00	689.93u	29.37m
num rrsets marked bogus	0.00	0.00	37.02u	9.80m

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Unbound DNS queries by type - by day

queries / second



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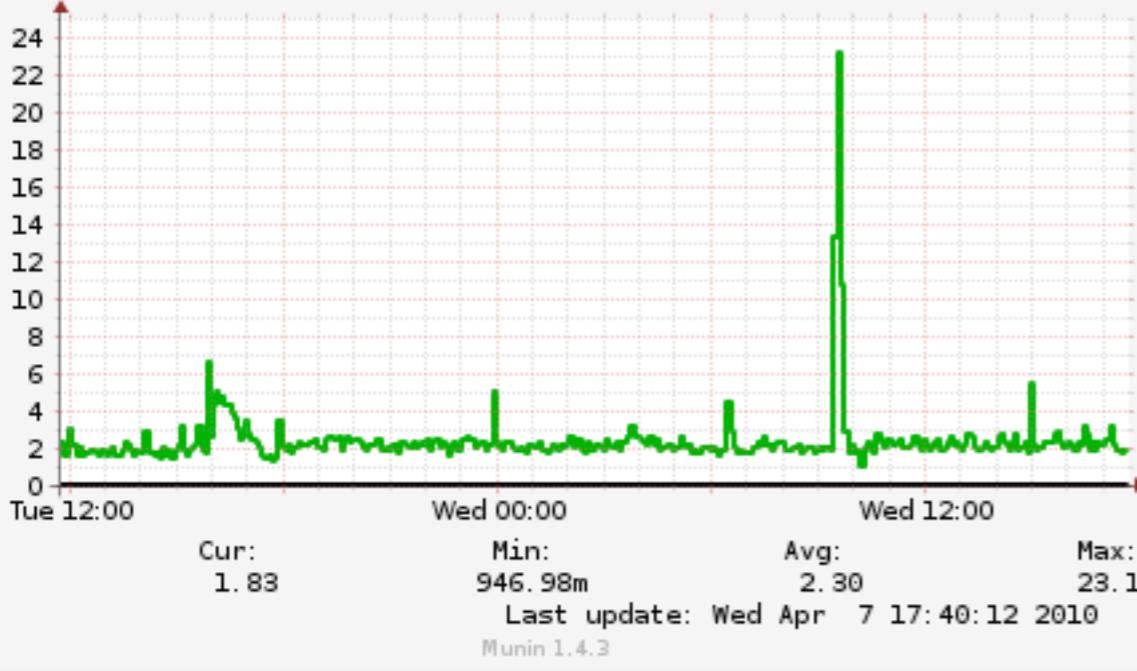
	Cur:	Min:	Avg:	Max:
A	256.76m	62.89m	394.81m	10.89
NS	269.75m	3.32m	334.05m	939.81m
SOA	63.97m	3.34m	100.77m	322.12m
PTR	1.18	147.47m	1.38	11.42
MX	9.88m	3.28m	12.33m	93.87m
AAAA	20.21m	3.45m	101.08m	1.02
SRV	22.99m	3.32m	37.97m	474.43m
NAPTR	6.64m	3.33m	6.54m	6.74m

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Unbound DNS queries by class - by day

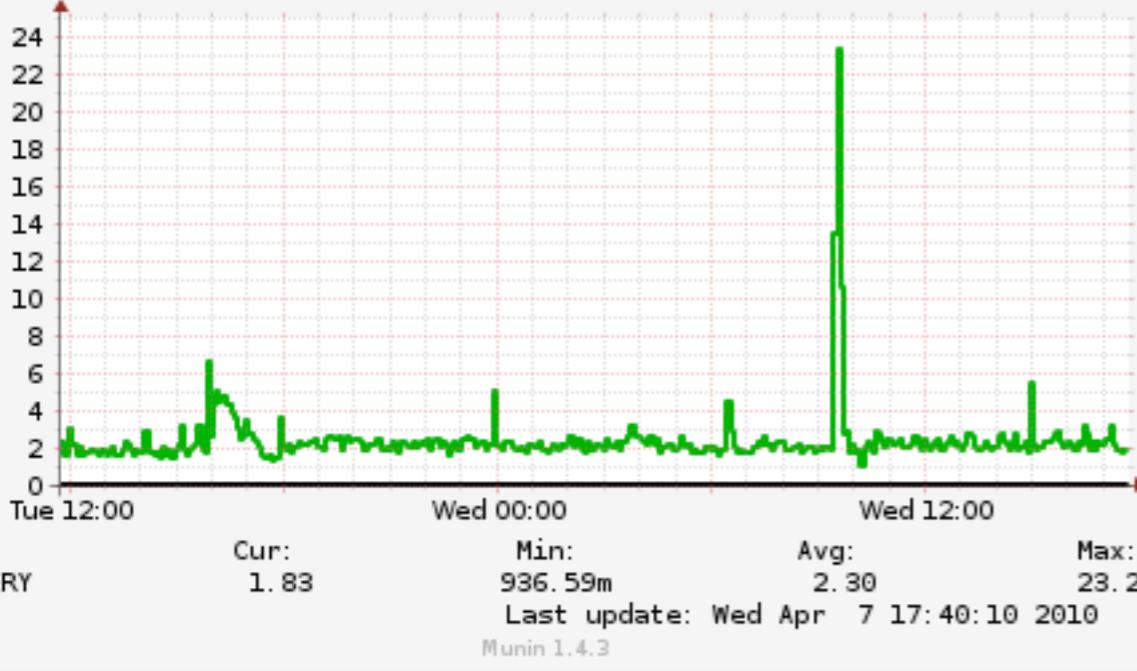
queries / second



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Unbound DNS queries by opcode - by day

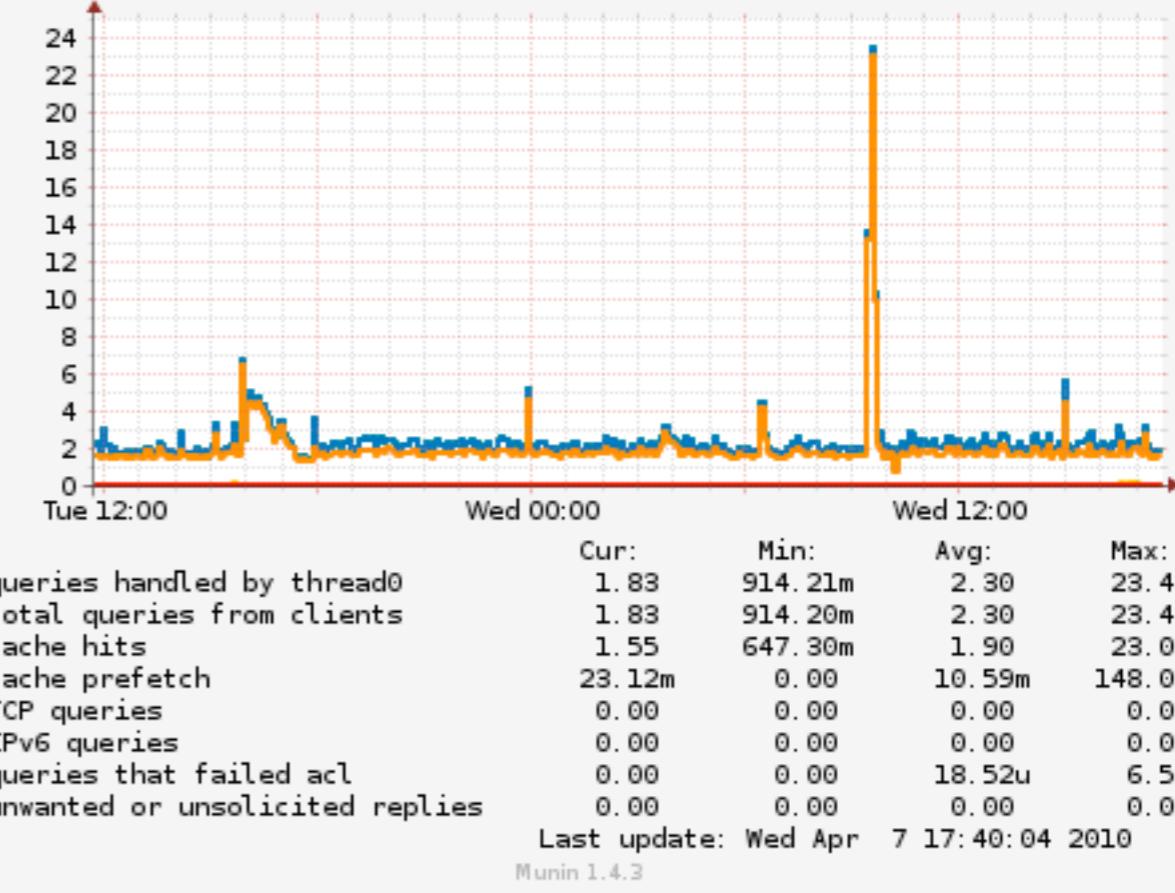
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Unbound DNS traffic and cache hits - by day

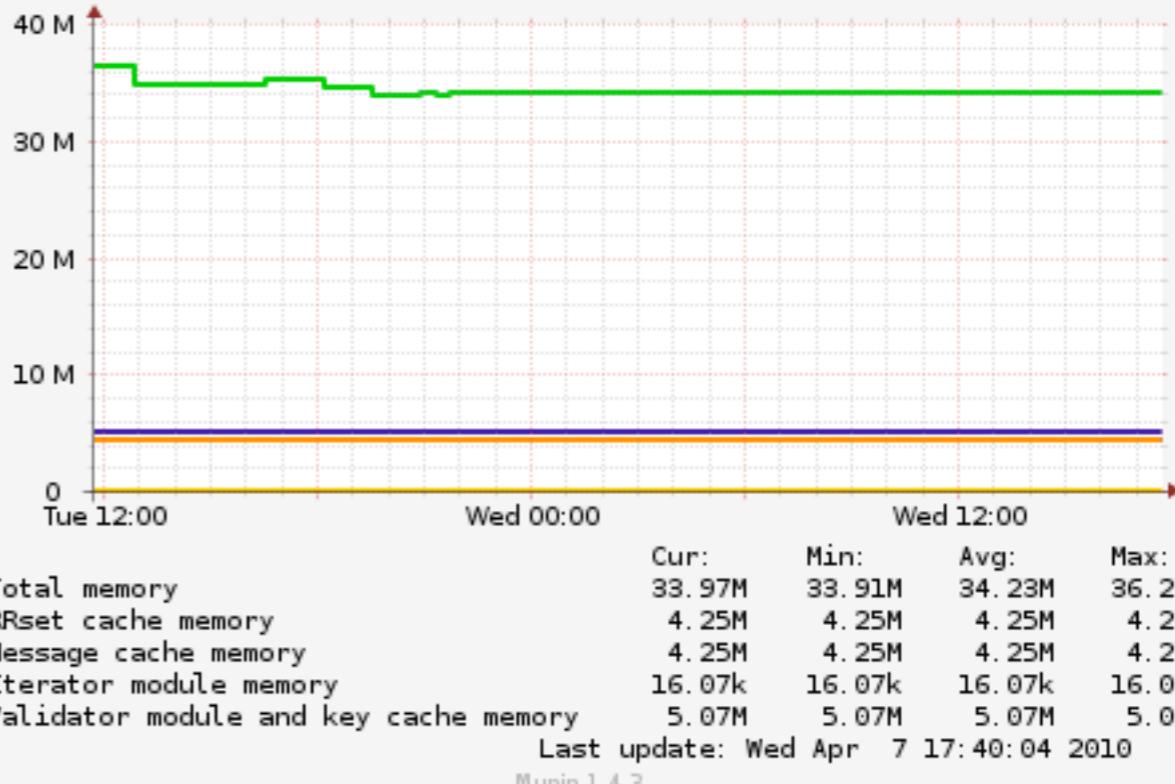
queries / second



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Unbound memory usage - by day

memory used in bytes

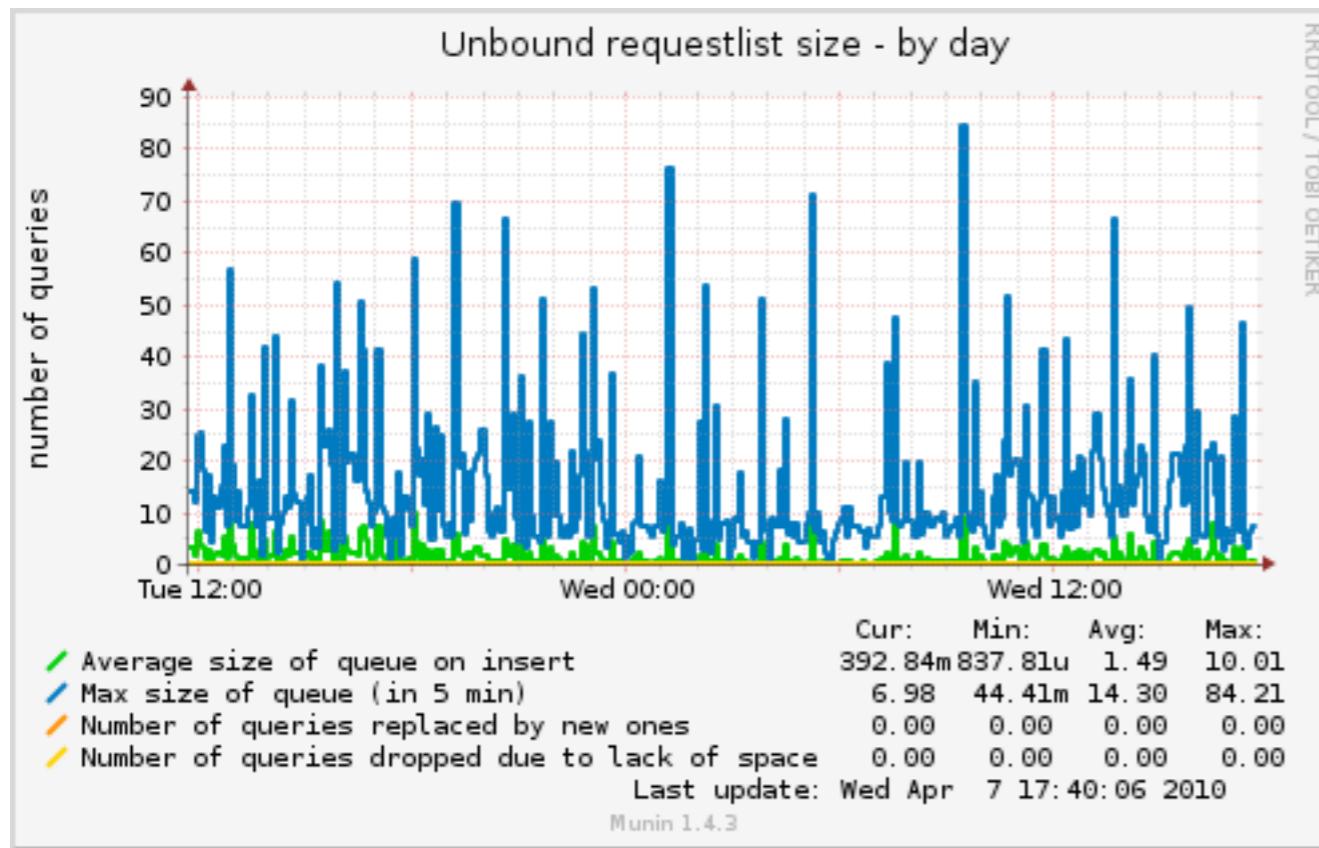


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Unbound



- Myriad of stats accessible through unbound-control
- munin script lives in contrib
- comes at some performance penalty

Unbound Control

- **unbound_control** is the tool of choice for runtime operations
- Lets have a look at its possibilites

```

Usage: unbound-control [options] command
      Remote control utility for unbound server.

Options:
  -c file  config file, default is /usr/local/etc/unbound/unbound.conf
  -s ip[@port]  server address, if omitted config is used.
  -h      show this usage help.

Commands:
  start          start server; runs unbound(8)
  stop           stops the server
  reload         reloads the server
                 (this flushes data, stats, requestlist)
  stats          print statistics
  stats_noreset peek at statistics
  status         display status of server
  verbosity <number> change logging detail
  log_reopen     close and open the logfile
  local_zone <name> <type> add new local zone
  local_zone_remove <name> remove local zone and its contents
  local_data <RR data...> add local data, for example
                           local_data www.example.com A 192.0.2.1
  local_data_remove <name> remove local RR data from name
  dump_cache     print cache to stdout
  load_cache     load cache from stdin
  lookup <name>  print nameservers for name
  flush <name>   flushes common types for name from cache
                 types: A, AAAA, MX, PTR, NS,
                           SOA, CNAME, DNAME, SRV, NAPTR
  flush_type <name> <type> flush name, type from cache
  flush_zone <name>  flush everything at or under name
                     from rr and dnssec caches
  flush_stats    flush statistics, make zero
  flush_requestlist drop queries that are worked on
  dump_requestlist show what is worked on
  set_option opt: val set option to value, no reload
  get_option opt   get option value
  list_stubs     list stub-zones and root hints in use
  list_forwards  list forward-zones in use
  list_local_zones list local-zones in use
  list_local_data list local-data RRs in use
  forward [off | addr ...] without arg show forward setup
                           or off to turn off root forwarding
                           or give list of ip addresses

```

Trivial controls

start
stop
reload

start server; runs unbound(8)
stops the server
 reloads the server
(this flushes data, stats, requestlist)

Statistics

stats
stats_noreset
status

print statistics
peek at statistics
display status of server

- **stats**: prints a shitload of queries but resets them after printing
- **stats_noreset** prints the same but without resets
- **status**: prints some vital data

```
version: 1.4.2
verbosity: 1
threads: 1
modules: 2 [ validator iterator ]
uptime: 2195639 seconds
unbound (pid 853) is running...
```

Log Control

verbosity <number>
log_reopen

change logging detail
close and open the logfile

- These operate on the logfile as configured in unbound.conf

local_zone redirects

```
local_zone <name> <type> add new local zone  
local_zone_remove <name> remove local zone and its contents  
local_data <RR data...> add local data, for example  
          local_data www.example.com A 192.0.2.1  
local_data_remove <name> remove local RR data from name
```

- These are the run-time equivalents of the local_zone directive
- Use case: court ordered redirect

```
# a number of locally served zones can be configured.  
#   local-zone: <zone> <type>  
#   local-data: "<resource record string>"  
# o deny serves local data (if any), else, drops queries.  
# o refuse serves local data (if any), else, replies with error.  
# o static serves local data, else, nxdomain or nodata answer.  
# o transparent serves local data, else, resolves normally .  
# o redirect serves the zone data for any subdomain in the zone.  
# o nodefault can be used to normally resolve AS112 zones.  
#  
# defaults are localhost address, reverse for 127.0.0.1 and ::1  
# and nxdomain for AS112 zones. If you configure one of these zones  
# the default content is omitted, or you can omit it with 'nodefault'.  
#  
# If you configure local-data without specifying local-zone, by  
# default a transparent local-zone is created for the data.  
#  
# You can add locally served data with  
# local-zone: "local." static  
# local-data: "mycomputer.local. IN A 192.0.2.51"  
# local-data: 'mytext.local TXT "content of text record'"  
#  
# You can override certain queries with  
# local-data: "adserver.example.com A 127.0.0.1"
```

Cache examination tools

```
dump_cache          print cache to stdout
load_cache          load cache from stdin
lookup <name>      print nameservers for name
flush <name>        flushes common types for name from cache
                     types: A, AAAA, MX, PTR, NS,
                     SOA, CNAME, DNAME, SRV, NAPTR
flush_type <name> <type> flush name, type from cache
flush_zone <name>   flush everything at or under name
                     from rr and dnssec caches
flush_stats         flush statistics, make zero
flush_requestlist  drop queries that are worked on
```

- dump and load cache may help by shifting instances and having to populate a cache
- lookup and flush are useful for troubleshooting specific customer problems

More troubleshooting

`flush_stats`
`flush_requestlist`
`dump_requestlist`

flush statistics, make zero
drop queries that are worked on
show what is worked on

- flush stats (see stats) sets all counters to zero
- flush and dump request list allows the operator to look whether specific requests are pending, and may terminate them
 - use case: e.g. troubleshooting DOS

More controls

```
set_option opt: val  
get_option opt
```

```
set option to value, no reload  
get option value
```

- Sets and gets any of the options see unbound.conf

What did you do again?

<code>list_stubs</code>	list stub-zones and root hints in use
<code>list_forwards</code>	list forward-zones in use
<code>list_local_zones</code>	list local-zones in use
<code>list_local_data</code>	list local-data RRs in use

- All very useful if you lost track of complicated setups and for auditing your setup

When you depend on a forwarder

```
forward [off | addr ...] without arg show forward setup  
or off to turn off root forwarding  
or give list of ip addresses
```

- Run-time configuration of your forwarders

Questions?

- Lets get ready to install and toy around.

