

DNSSEC Deployment: Where We Are (and where we need to be)

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DNSSEC: We have passed the point of no return

- Fast pace of deployment at the TLD level
- Stable deployment at root

→ Inevitable widespread deployment across core infrastructure



DNSSEC: Plenty of Motivation

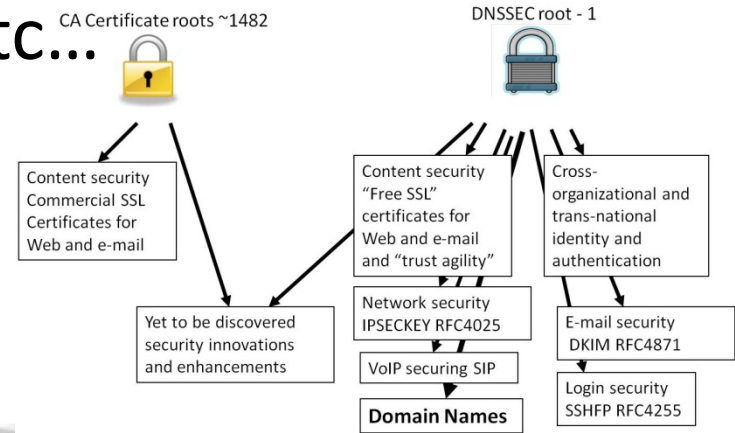
- DNSChanger (10 Nov 2011), Brazilian ISP (7 Nov 2011), calls by government, etc...

- DANE

- Improved Web TLS for all
- Email S/MIME for all

- ...and

- SSH, IPSEC, VoIP
- Digital identity
- Other content (e.g. configurations, XML, app updates)
- Smart Grid
- A global PKI



The BAD: DNSChanger - 'Biggest Cybercriminal Takedown in History' – 4M machines, 100 countries, \$14M

DNS Malware: Is Your Computer Infected?

DNS—Domain Name System—is an Internet service that converts user-friendly domain names, such as `www.fbi.gov`, into numerical addresses that allow computers to talk to each other. Without DNS and the DNS servers operated by Internet service providers, computer users would not be able to browse web sites, send e-mail, or connect to any Internet services.

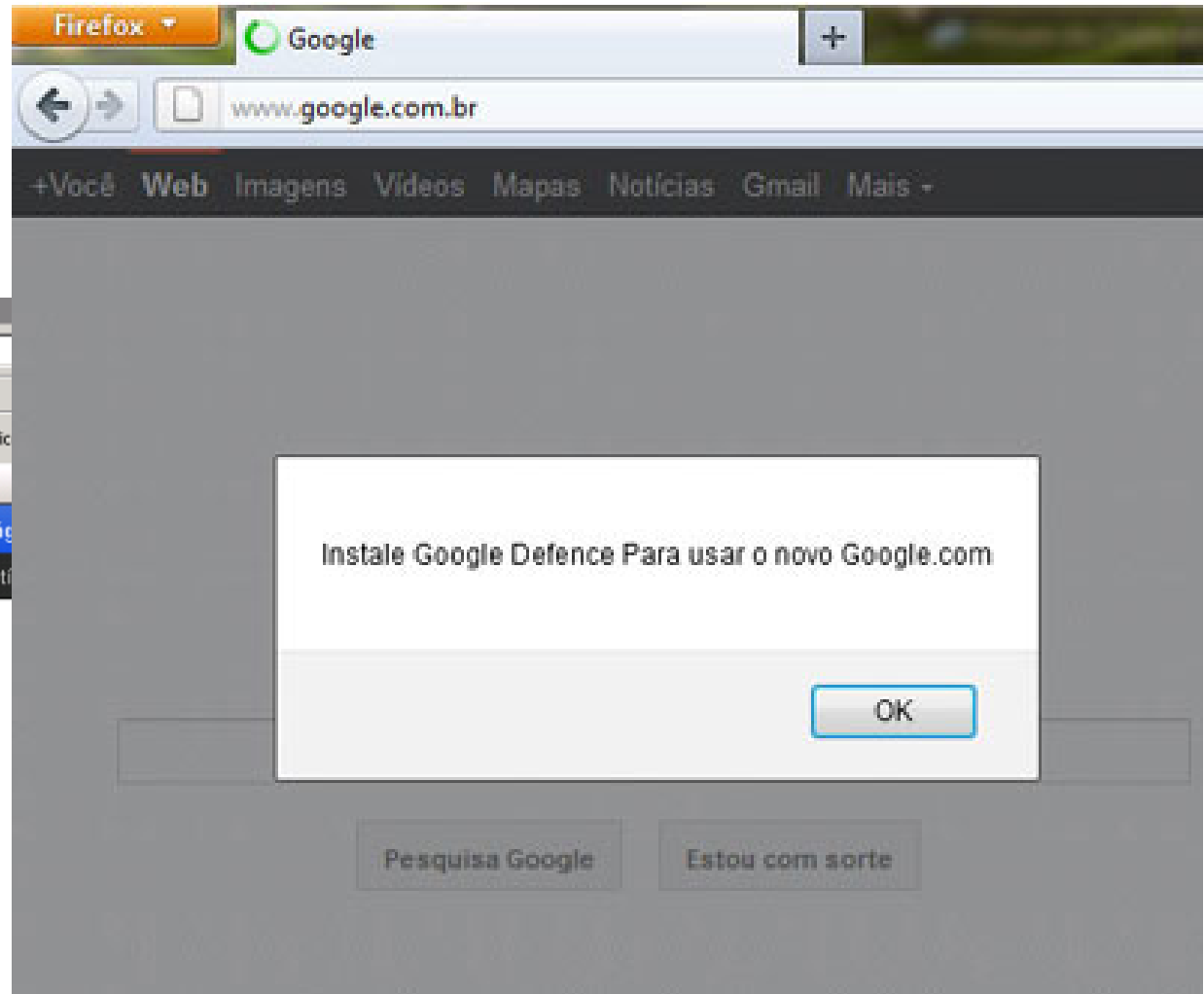
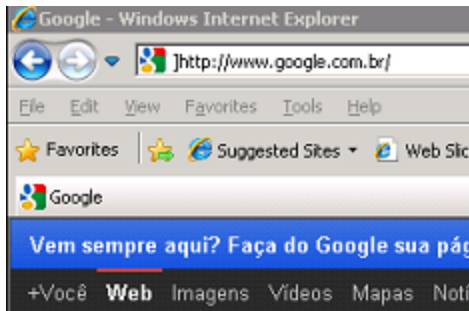
Criminals have infected millions of computers around the world with malware called DNSChanger which allows them to control DNS servers. As a result, the cyber thieves have forced unsuspecting users to fraudulent websites, interfered with their web browsing, and made their computers vulnerable to other kinds of malicious software.



9 Nov 2011

<http://krebsonsecurity.com/2011/11/malware-click-fraud-kingpins-arrested-in-estonia/>

The BAD: Brazilian ISP fall victim to a series of DNS attacks



7 Nov 2011

http://www.securelist.com/en/blog/208193214/Massive_DNS_poisoning_attacks_in_Brazil

The BAD: Other DNS hijacks*

- 25 Dec 2010 - Russian e-Payment Giant ChronoPay Hacked
- 18 Dec 2009 – Twitter – “Iranian cyber army”
- 13 Aug 2010 - Chinese gmail phishing attack
- 25 Dec 2010 Tunisia DNS Hijack
- 2009-2012 google.*
 - April 28 2009 Google Puerto Rico sites redirected in DNS attack
 - May 9 2009 Morocco temporarily seize Google domain name
- 9 Sep 2011 - Diginotar certificate compromise for Iranian users
- SSL / TLS doesn't tell you if you've been sent to the correct site, it only tells you if the DNS matches the name in the certificate. Unfortunately, majority of Web site certificates rely on DNS to validate identity.
- DNS is relied on for unexpected things though insecure.

*A Brief History of DNS Hijacking - Google

<http://costarica43.icann.org/meetings/sanjose2012/presentation-dns-hijackings-marquis-boire-12mar12-en.pdf>

DNSSEC support from government

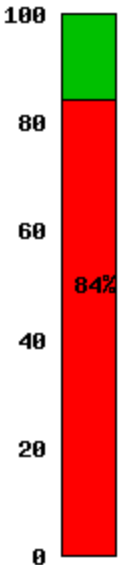
- Sweden, Brazil, and others encourage DNSSEC deployment
- 22 Mar 2012 - AT&T, CenturyLink, Comcast, Cox, Sprint, TimeWarner Cable, and Verizon have pledged to comply and abide by US FCC recommendations .. “A report by Gartner found 3.6 million Americans getting redirected to bogus websites in a single year, costing them \$3.2 billion.” [1].
- 2009 .gov mandate [2]

[1] <http://securitywatch.pcmag.com/security/295722-isps-agree-to-fcc-rules-on-anti-botnet-dnssec-internet-routing>

[2] <http://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/omb/memoranda/fy2008/m08-23.pdf>

DNSSEC: Where we are

- Deployed on 86/313 TLDs (.uk, .fr, .asia, .in, .lk, .kg, .tm, .am, .tw 台灣 台灣, .jp, .cr, .com,...)
- Root signed and audited
- 84% of domain names could have could have DNSSEC deployed on them
- Large ISP has turned DNSSEC validation “on”*
- A few 3rd party signing solutions (e.g., GoDaddy, VeriSign, Binero,...)
- Unbound, BIND, DNSSEC-trigger, vsResolver and other last mile. DANE standard almost done



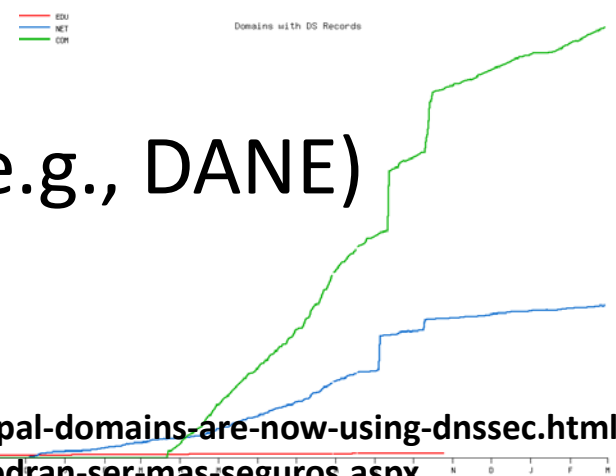
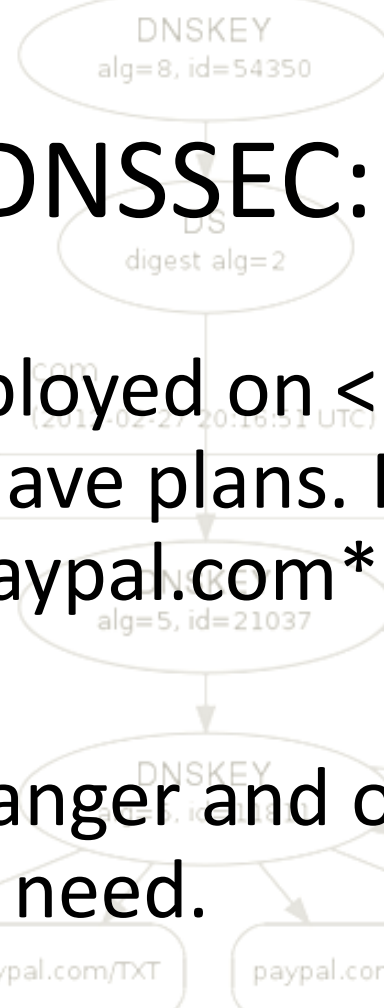
*Jan 2012 - 18M COMCAST Internet customers. Others..TeliaSonera SE, Vodafone CZ,Telefonica, CZ, T-mobile NL, SurfNet NL, others..

DNSSEC: Where we are

- But deployed on < 1% of 2nd level domains. Many have plans. Few have taken the step (e.g., paypal.com*).

- DNSChanger and other attacks highlight today's need.

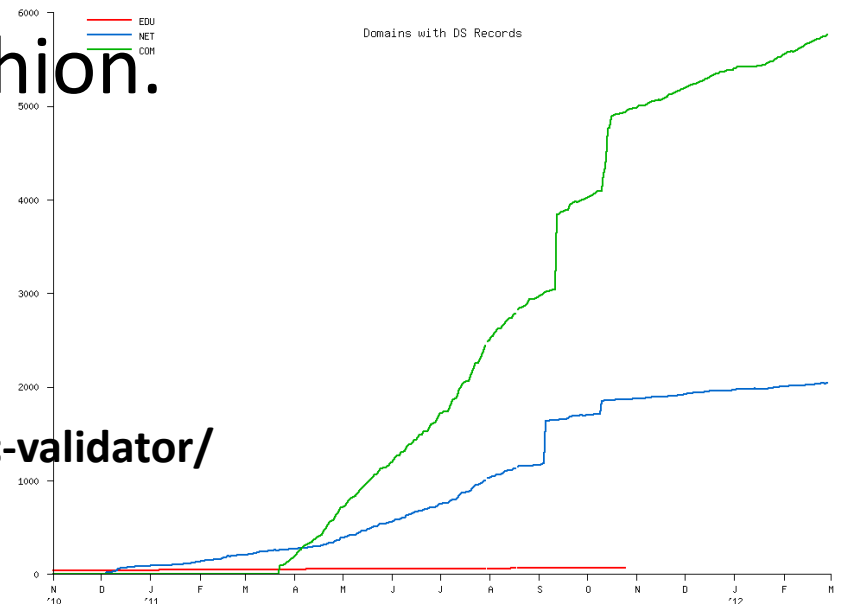
- Innovative security solutions (e.g., DANE) highlight tomorrow's value.



* http://www.thesecuritypractice.com/the_security_practice/2011/12/all-paypal-domains-are-now-using-dnssec.html
<http://www.nacion.com/2012-03-15/Tecnologia/Sitios-web-de-bancos-ticos-podran-ser-mas-seguros.aspx>

What needs to happen

- ISPs need to support DNSSEC*.
- Domain name holders need to sign.
- ...all in a trustworthy fashion.



* Tools to test with <https://labs.nic.cz/dnssec-validator/>

Barriers to success

- Registrar support*
 - chicken and egg
- Ease of implementation
 - security/crypto/management cost/complexity
 - no click and sign
- Trust
 - insecure practices and processes
 - garbage in, garbage out

*<http://www.icann.org/en/news/in-focus/dnssec/deployment>

Solutions

- Create demand for DNSSEC: Raise awareness of domain holders (content) and users (eyes)
- Ease Implementation:
 - DNSSEC training drawn from existing implementations
 - Key management automation and monitoring
 - Crypto: HSM? Smartcard? TPM chip? Soft keys? - all good
- Trust: Transparent and Secure processes and practices
 - Writing a DPS creates the right mindset for:
 - Separation of duties
 - Documented procedures
 - Audit logging
 - Opportunity to improve overall operations using DNSSEC as an excuse

Learn from CA successes (and mistakes)

- The good:
 - The people
 - The mindset
 - The practices
 - The legal framework
 - The audit against international accounting and technical standards



- The bad:
 - Diluted trust with a race to the bottom (>1400 CA's)
 - DigiNotar
 - Weak and inconsistent policies and controls
 - Lack of compromise notification (non-transparent)
 - Audits don't solve everything (ETSI audit)



An implementation can be thi\$





...or this



FIPS 140-2 Valid



The Communications Security Establishment of the Government of Canada

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- Level N/A



Cryptographic Key Management: Level 3
Self-Tests: Level 3
Mitigation of Other Attacks: Level 3
tested in the following configuration(s): N/A

Algorithms are used: Triple-DES (Cert. #560); Triple-DES MAC (Triple-DES Cert. #560, vendor affirmed); AES (Cert. #577); SHS (Cert. #633); RNG (Cert. #332); RSA (Cert. #264)

following non-FIPS approved algorithms: RSA (key wrapping; key establishment methodology provides between 80 and 112 bits of encryption strength)

Overall Level Achieved: 3

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Dated: *March 31, 2008*

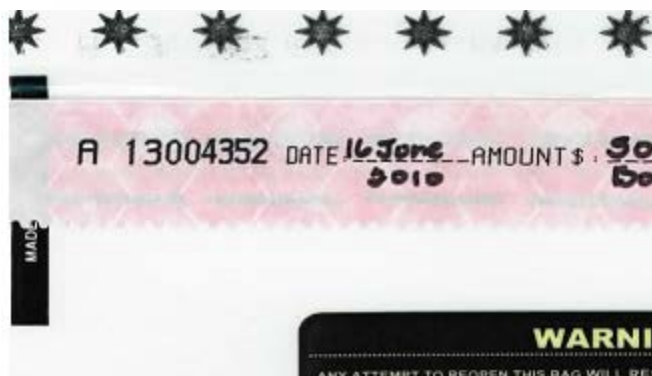
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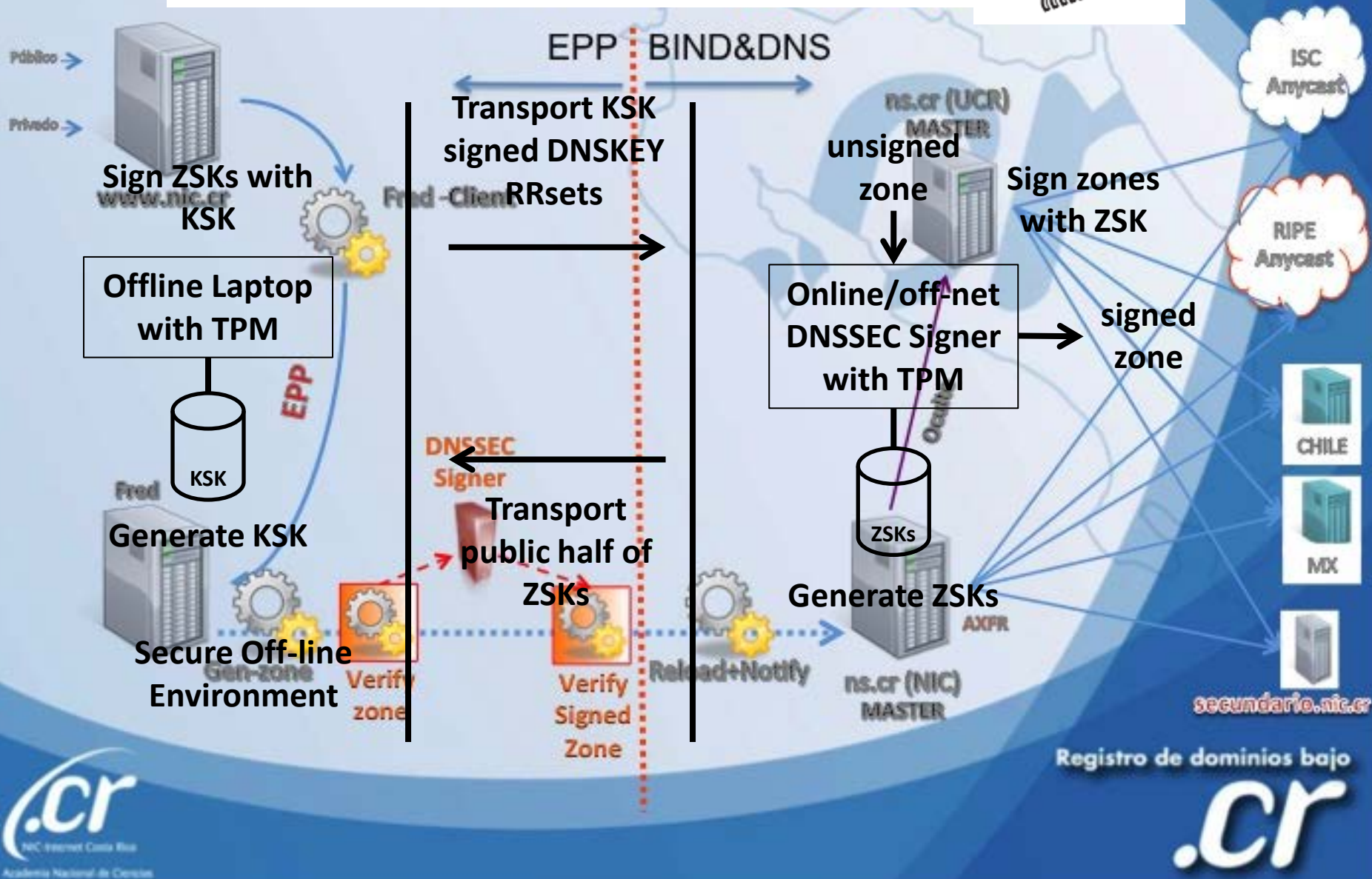
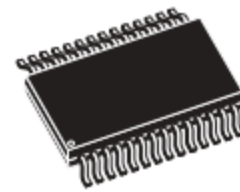
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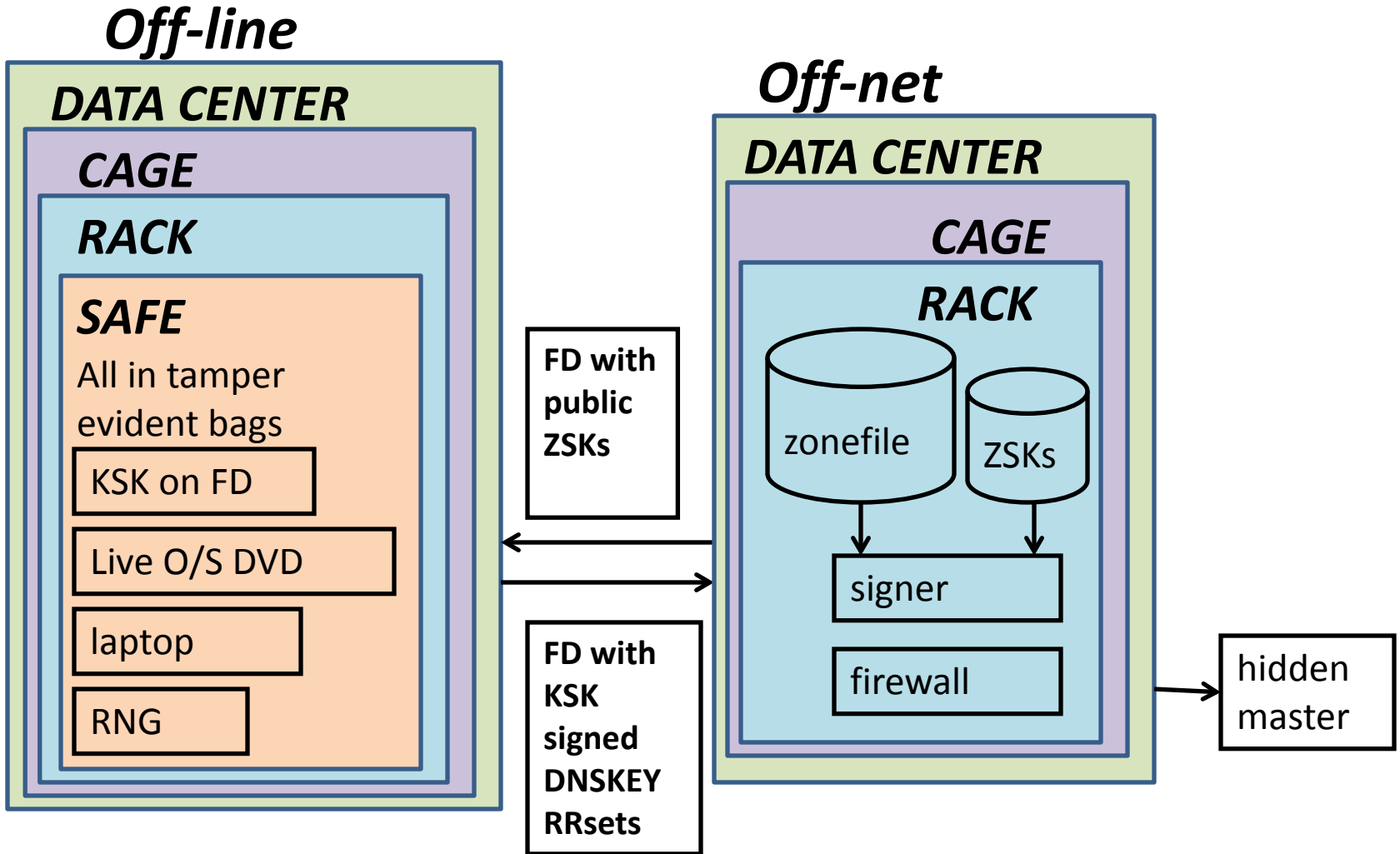
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..or this (from .cr)

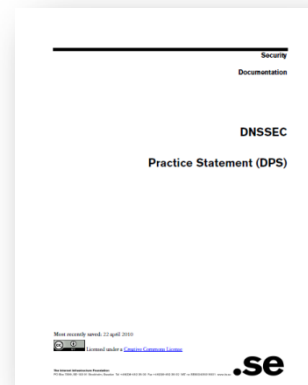


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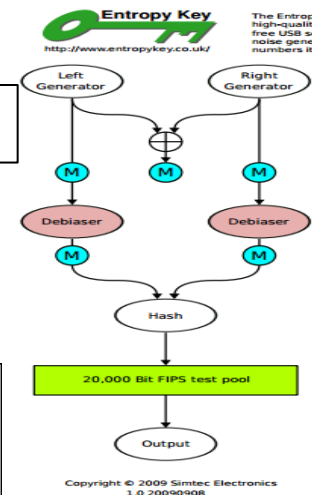


But all must have:

- Published practice statement
 - Overview of operations
 - Setting expectations
 - Normal
 - Emergency
 - Limiting liability
- Documented procedures for each operation
- Multi person access requirements
- Audit logs
- Good Random Number Generators



Intel RdRand



15 Feb 12 – “Ron was wrong, Whit is right”

DRBGs

```
int getRandomNumber()
{
    return 4; // chosen by fair dice roll.
             // guaranteed to be random.
}
```

Summary

- DNSSEC has left the starting gate but without greater support by Registrars, ISPs and domain name holders and trustworthy deployment it...
- Building awareness amongst a larger audience based on recent attacks and pronouncements may be the solution.
- Drawing on lessons learned from certificate authorities makes sure DNSSEC becomes a source of opportunity and innovation floating all boats

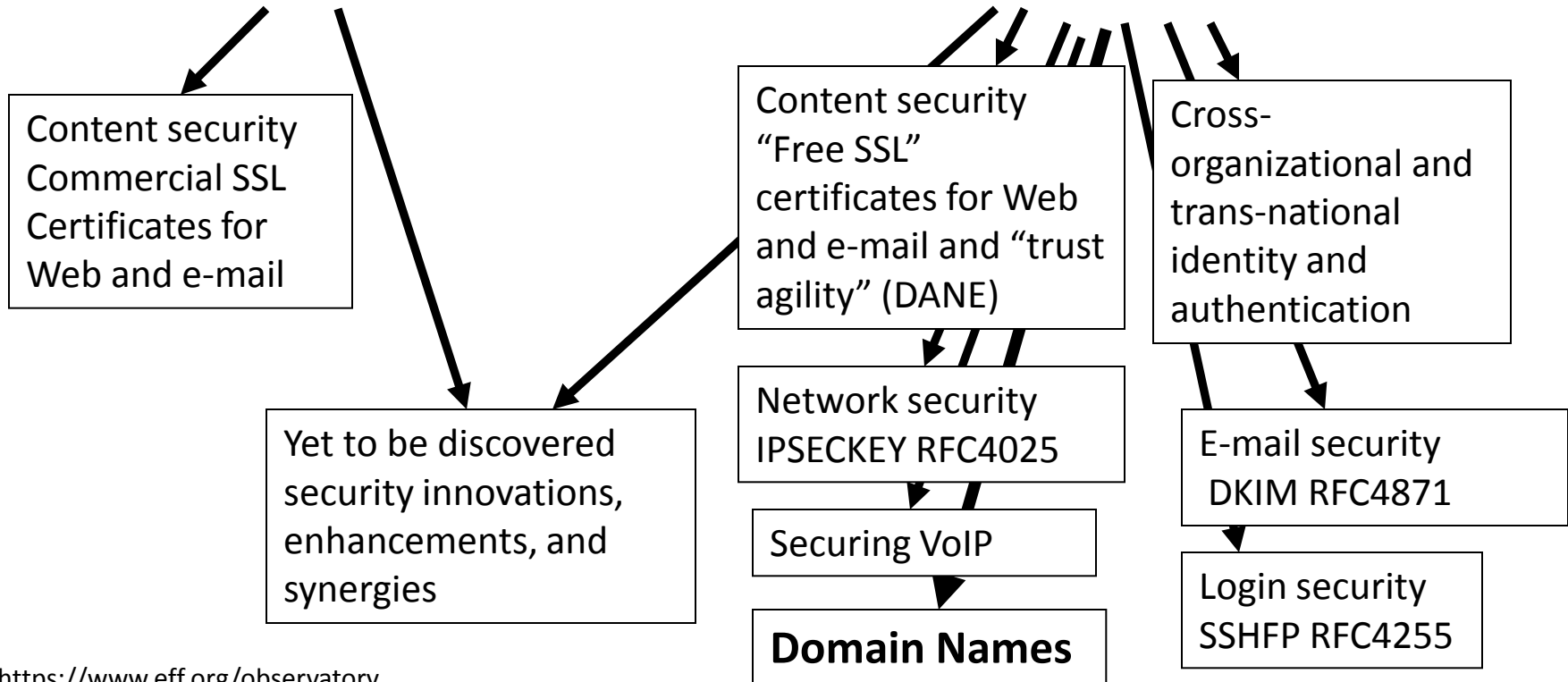
Resultant Global PKI

SSL (DANE), E-mail, VOIP security...

CA Certificate roots ~1482



DNSSEC root - 1



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VoIP

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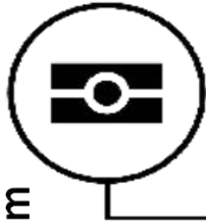
DNS is a part of all ecosystems

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PayPal™

amazon Prime

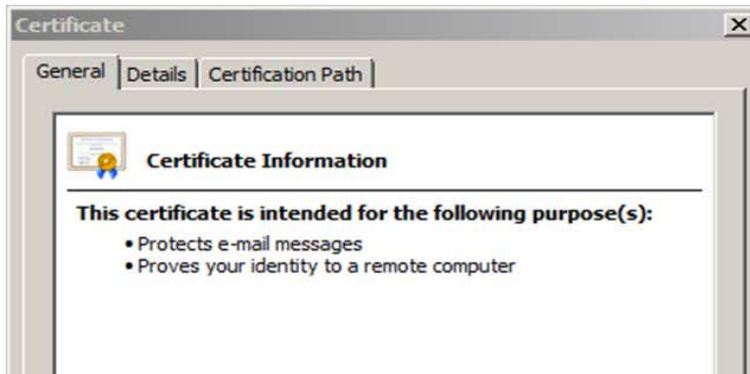
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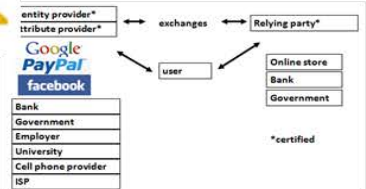
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