



RIPE NCC
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Implementing RFC 7344

Automating DNSSEC Trust Maintenance

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Reverse DNS Domain Registry



- Provisioned using DOMAIN objects in the RIPE Database
- Delegation to other DNS servers using “nserver:” attribute
- Secure delegation using “ds-rdata:” attribute

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domain: 8.b.d.0.1.0.0.2.ip6.arpa
descr:  rDNS for my IPv6 network
admin-c: NOC12-RIPE
tech-c:  NOC12-RIPE
zone-c:  NOC12-RIPE
nserver: pri.example.net
nserver: sns.company.org
ds-rdata: 45062 8 2 275d9acbf3d3fec11b6d6...
mnt-by:  EXAMPLE-LIR-MNT
created: 2015-01-21T13:52:29Z
last-modified: 2016-02-07T15:09:46Z
source:  RIPE
```

Automating Trust Maintenance



- RFC 7344 and RFC 8078
- Child zone **publishes** CDS and/or CDNSKEY records
- Parent zone **adjusts DS record** accordingly
- The change is **secured by DNSSEC** and other safeguards
- Child can request **deletion of DS records** (switch to insecure)
- Insecure to secure bootstrapping possible (with caution)
- Implemented in *a few* TLD registries: .cz, .ch, .li, .cr, .sk

CDS Scanning at the RIPE NCC



- About to **go live** soon
- Scanning **only for CDS** records on **already secure** delegations
- No support for insecure-to-secure bootstrap
- Support for **switching to insecure** with CDS 0 0 0 00
- Safeguards against malicious changes:
 - CDS has to have valid DNSSEC signature
 - CDS must be signed by KSK
 - CDS must not break secure delegation
 - Harden against replay of previous CDS records

Replay Attack Protection



The Parental Agent **MUST** ensure that previous versions of the CDS/CDNSKEY RRset **do not overwrite more recent versions**. This MAY be accomplished by checking that the signature inception in the Resource Record Signature (RRSIG) for CDS/CDNSKEY RRset is later and/or that the serial number on the Child's Start of Authority (SOA) is greater. This may require the Parental Agent to **maintain some state** information.

[RFC 7344, section 6.2](#)

- We compare “last-modified:” attribute of the DOMAIN object with the signature inception date of CDS record
- All CDS records signed before the last modification of DOMAIN object are **ignored**

Signer and Continuity Check



Signer: **MUST** be signed with a key that is represented in both the current DNSKEY **and DS** RRsets,...

Continuity: **MUST NOT** break the current delegation if applied to DS RRset.

[RFC 7344, section 4.1](#)

- We check whether the CDS is signed by a key whose digest is in the current “ds-rdata:” attribute of the DOMAIN object
- For **each algorithm** present in CDS RRSet, we check whether there is **at least one** matching key and signature of the DNSKEY RRSet

Updating the RIPE Database

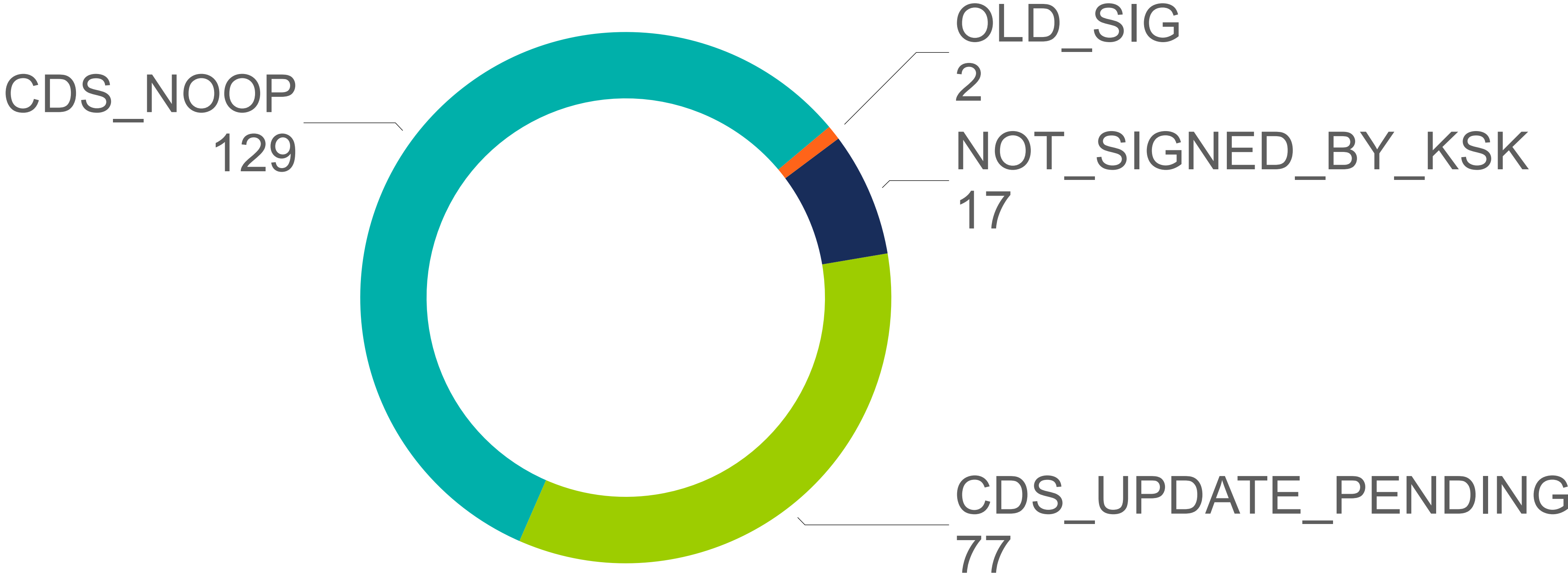


- We have to use the RIPE NCC's *superpowers* to override the authorisation of DOMAIN object edits
- No locking mechanism, possibility of race conditions
- The risk is minimised by doing a **fast GET-modify-PUT** cycle
- Update is **cancelled** if “last-modified:” attribute has changed since the CDS scan
- The RIPE Database will send a standard e-mail ‘*Notification of RIPE Database changes*’, if configured to do so

CDS Presence



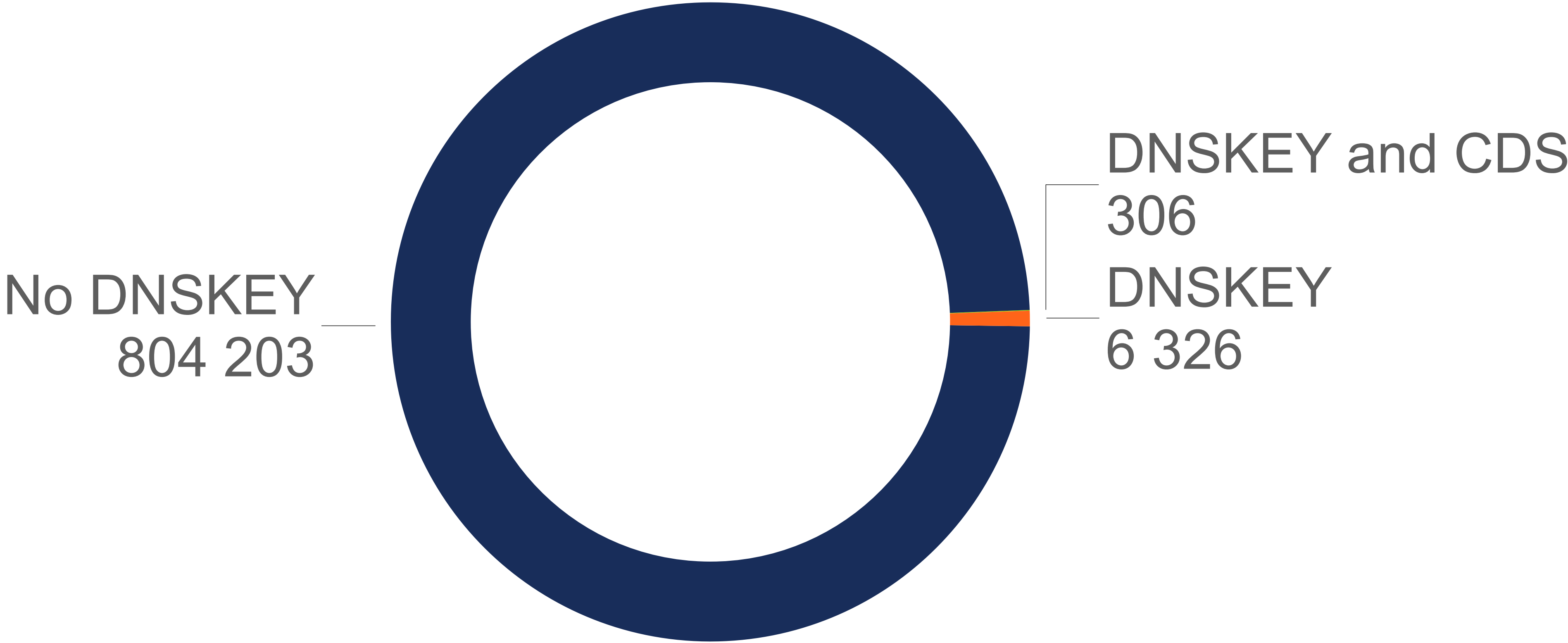
CDS Scan Results



Secure vs. insecure delegations



Insecure delegations





Questions



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