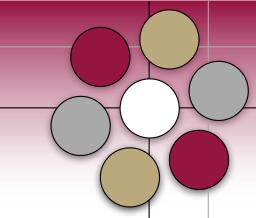
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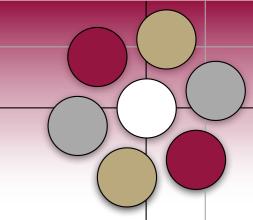
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Domain Name Server

- A lookup service on the internet
 - Given a URL, retrieve its IP address
 - www.djp3.net -> 45.79.205.40
- This service is provided by a distributed set of servers
 - Latency can be high
 - Even seconds

DNS



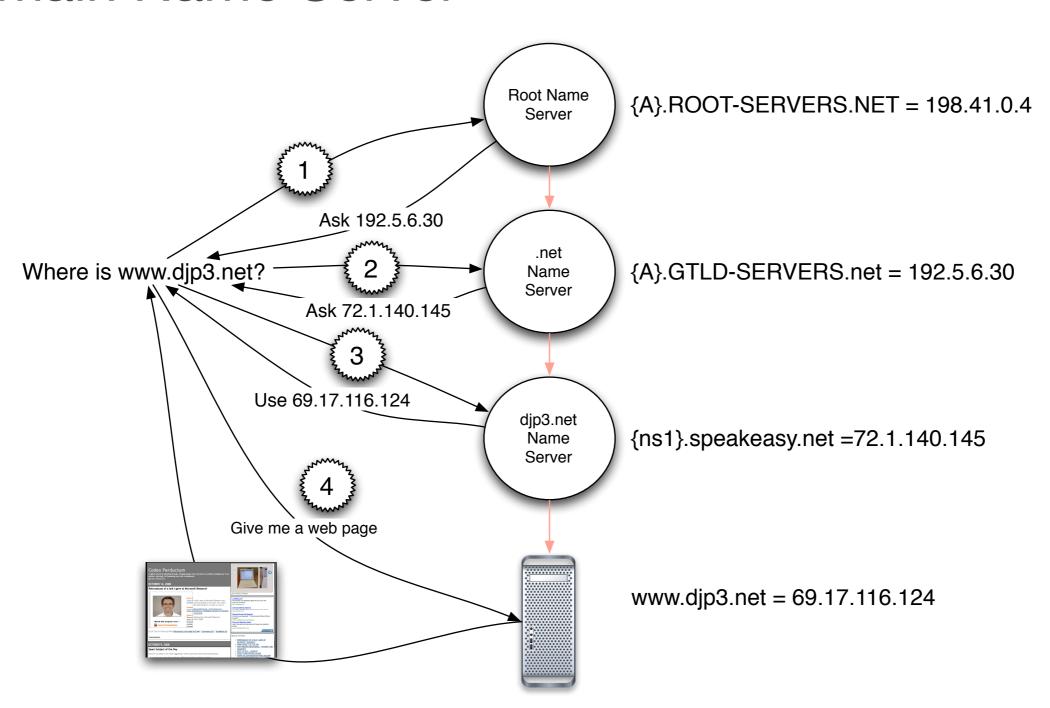
Domain Name Server

- Common OS implementations of DNS lookup are blocking
 - One request at a time
- Solution:
 - Caching
 - Batch requests
 - Custom resolvers

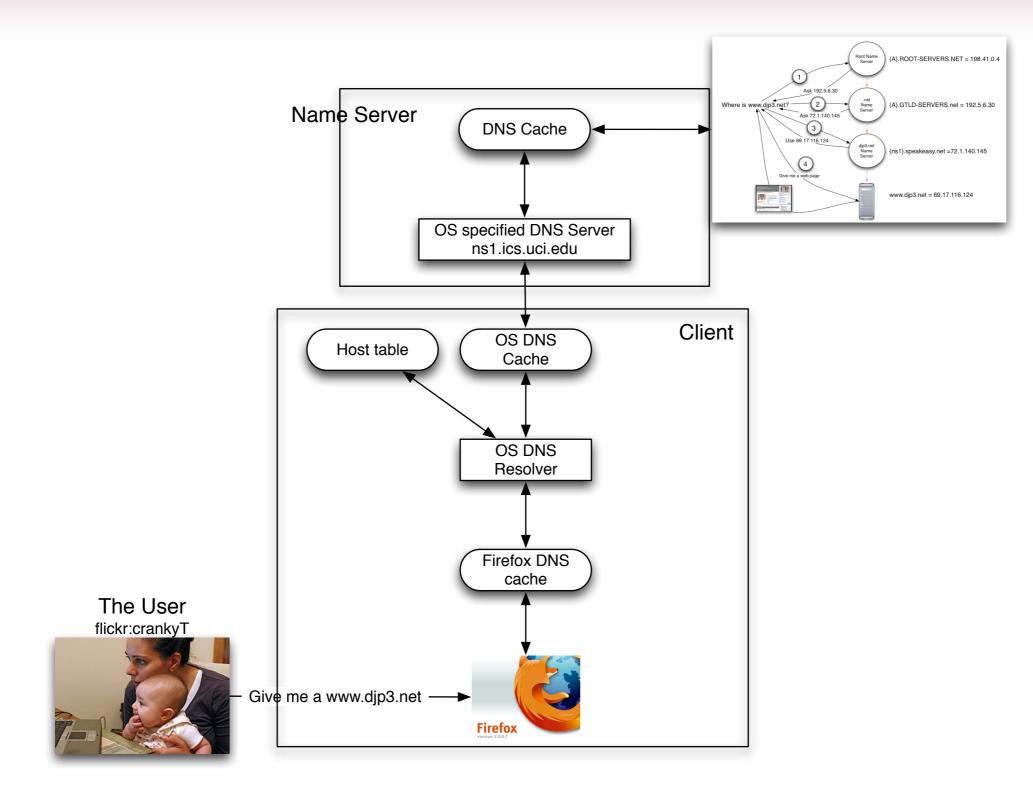
dig +trace www.djp3.net

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Domain Name Server



What really happens



DNS

Class Exercise

- Calculate how long it would take to completely fill a DNS cache.
 - How many active hosts are there?
 - What is an average lookup time?
 - Do the math.



Public DNS Servers

Google Public DNS



What is Google Public DNS?

Google Public DNS is a free, global <u>Domain N</u> alternative to your current DNS provider.











- Why run a DNS lookup service?
 - It's your administrative domain
 - A public good
 - It helps your other business
 - You can make money on bad queries
 - Mobile servers need special attention

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