

# The Importance of Being an Earnest stub

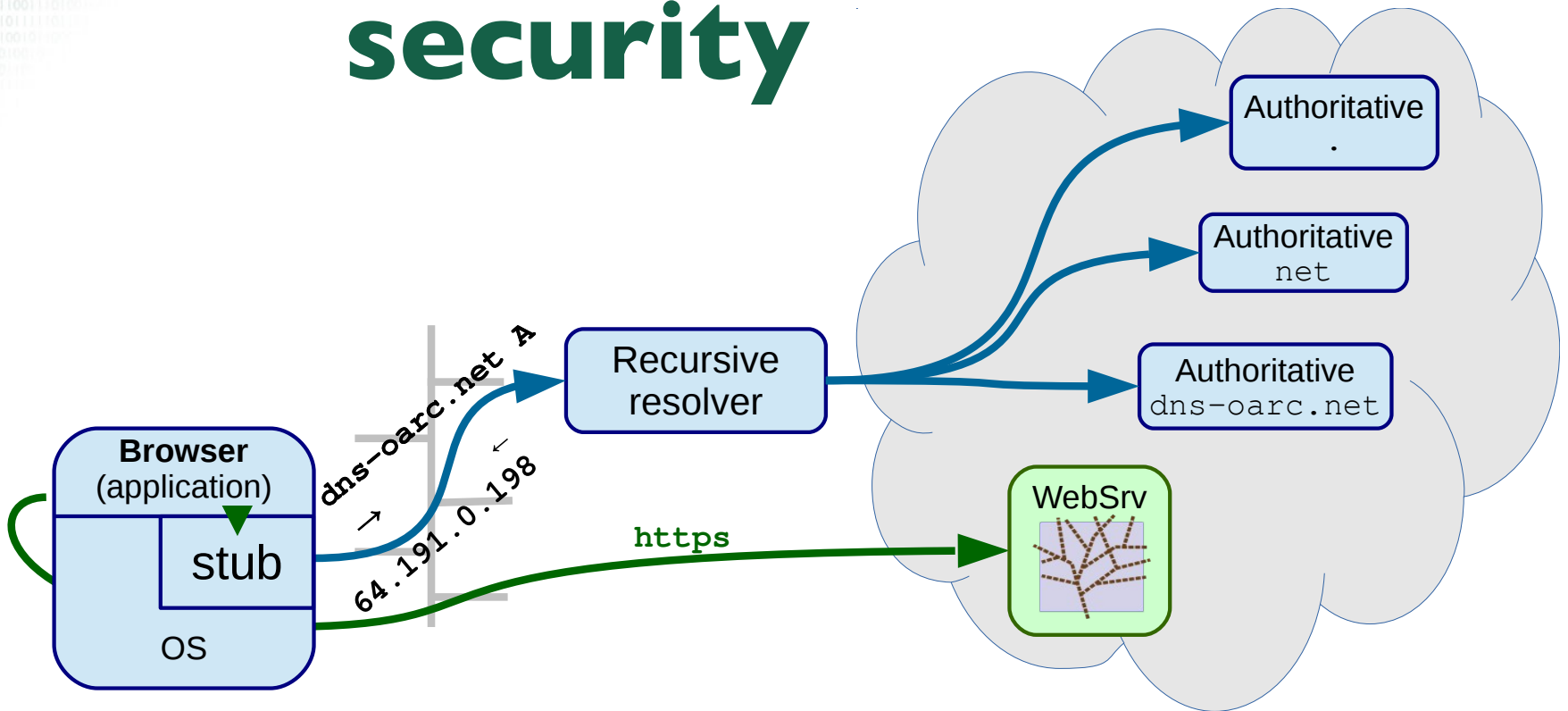
*Challenges and solution for the versatile stub*

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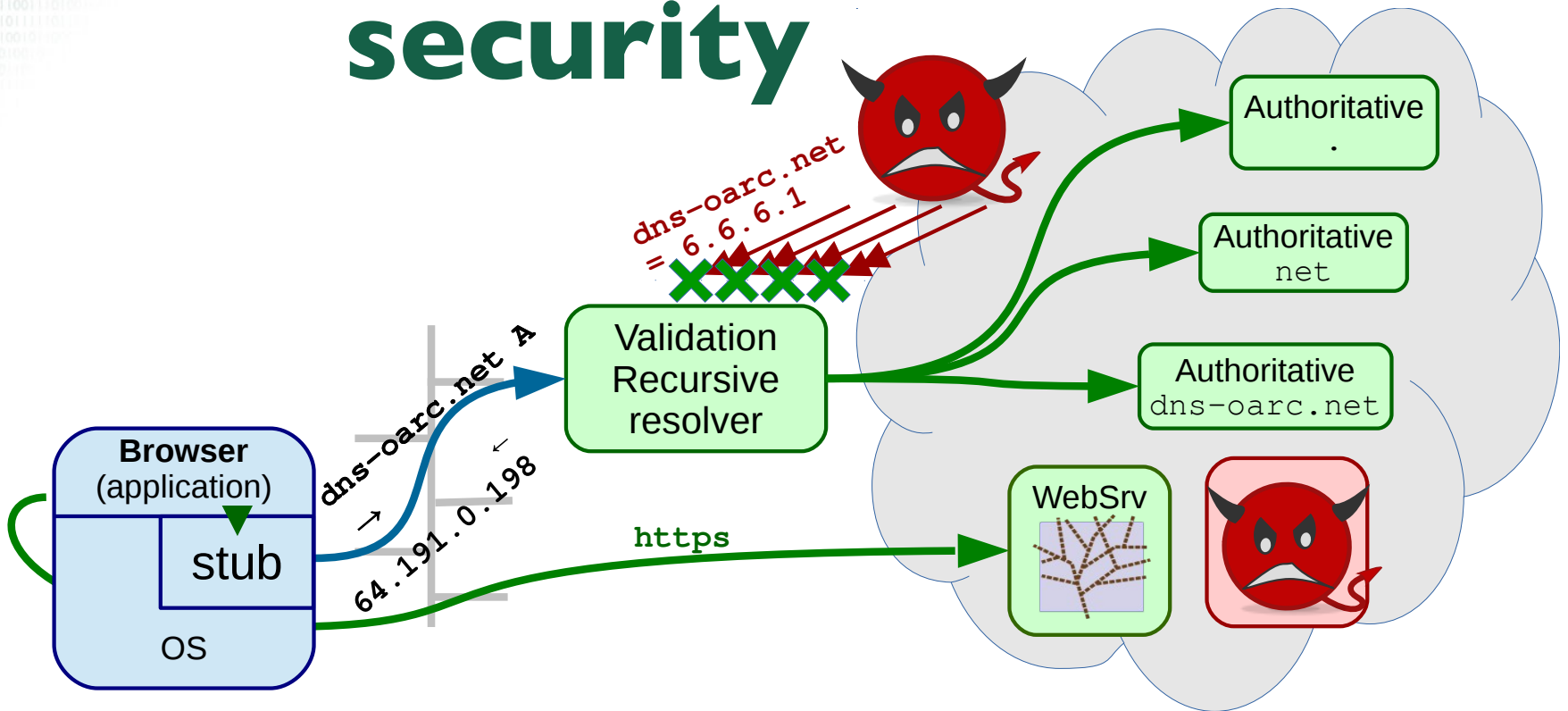
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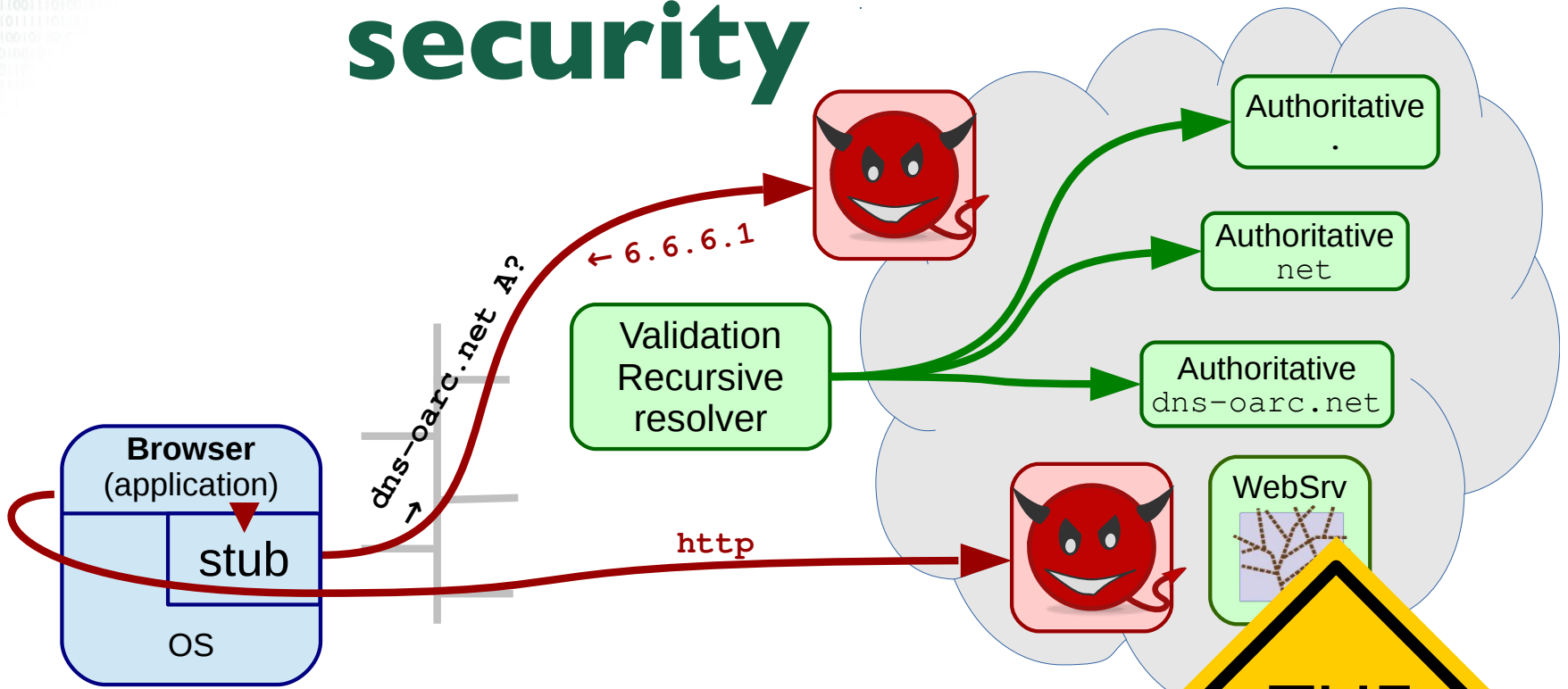
- Every “secure” connection is preceded by a DNS lookup
- The stub does the lookup at the request of the application  
The recursive resolver does all the heavy lifting

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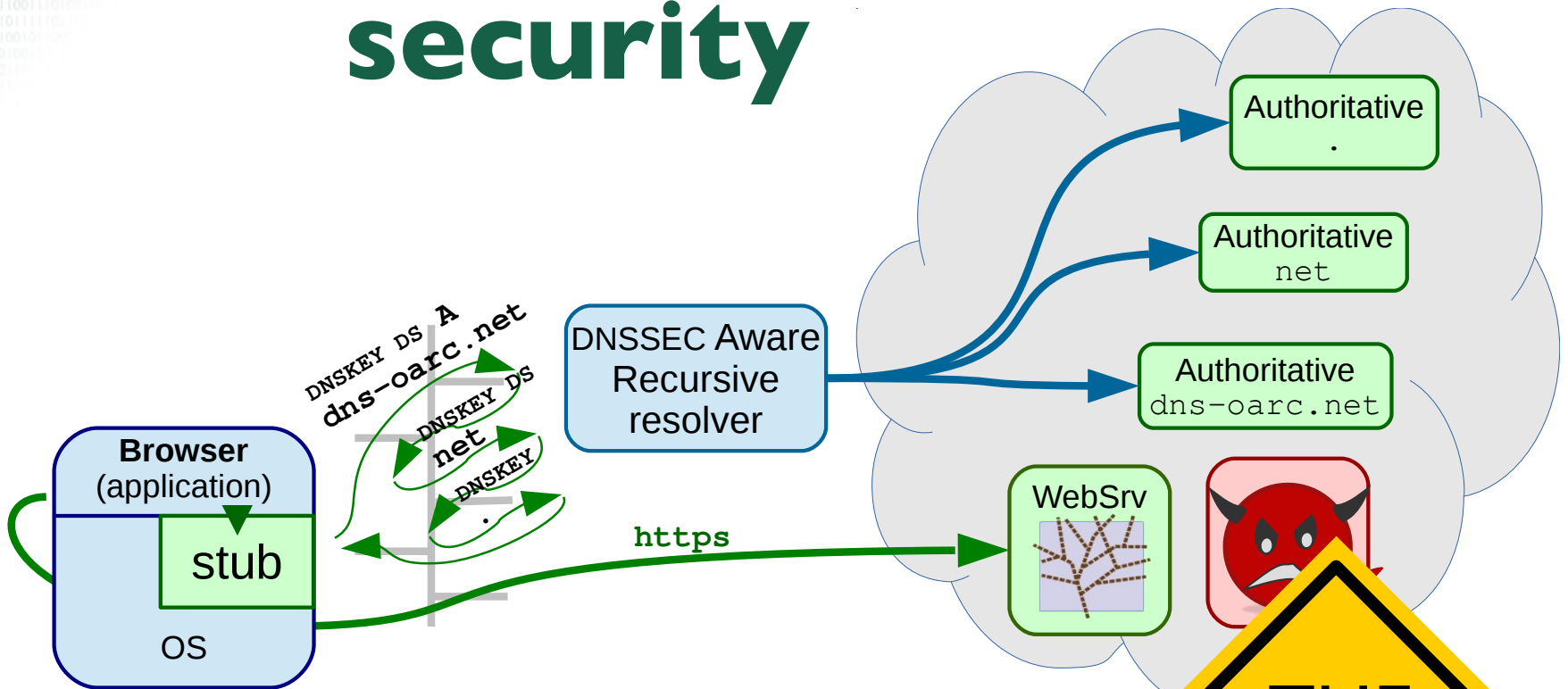
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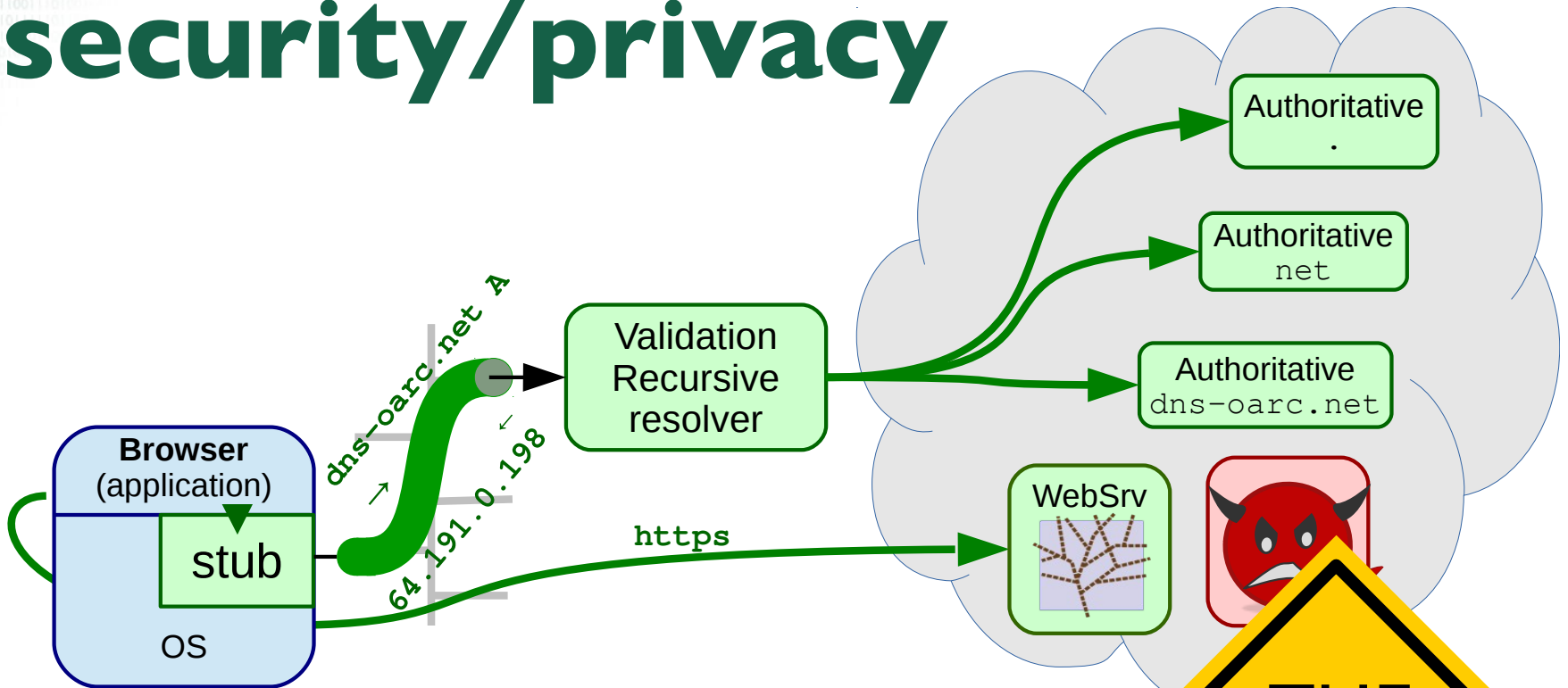
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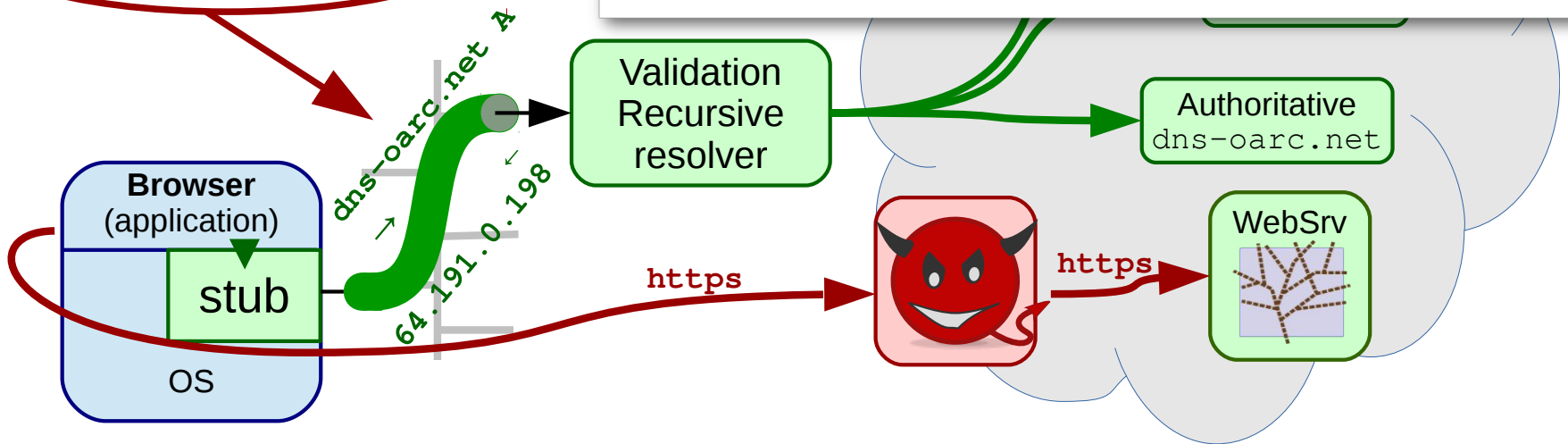


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- Another possibility: DNS over TLS



# From the security/p

Applies to DNS over TLS too



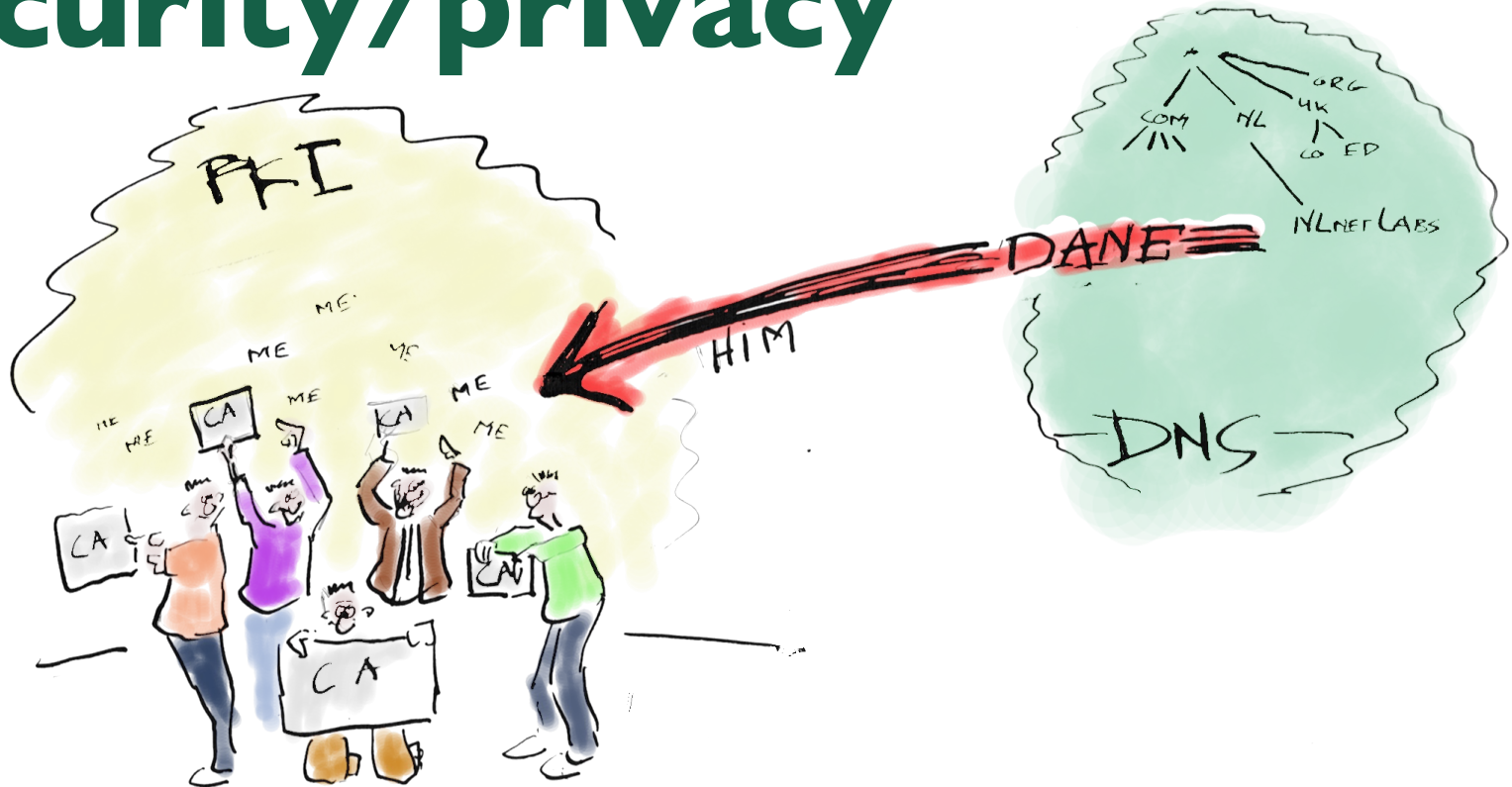
Vantage Point	% HTTPS Connections Intercepted		
	No Interception	Likely	Confirmed
Cloudflare	88.6%	0.5%	10.9%
Firefox	96.0%	0.0%	4.0%
E-commerce	92.9%	0.9%	6.2%

Fig. 2: **Detecting Interception**— We quantify HTTPS interception at three major Internet services. We estimate that 5–10% of connections are intercepted.

- TLS hijacking? **IS THAT POSSIBLE?!**
- Durumeric, Zakir, et al. "The Security Impact of HTTPS Interception." *Network and Distributed Systems Symposium (NDSS'17)*. 2017.

<https://www.internetsociety.org/doc/security-impact-https-interception>

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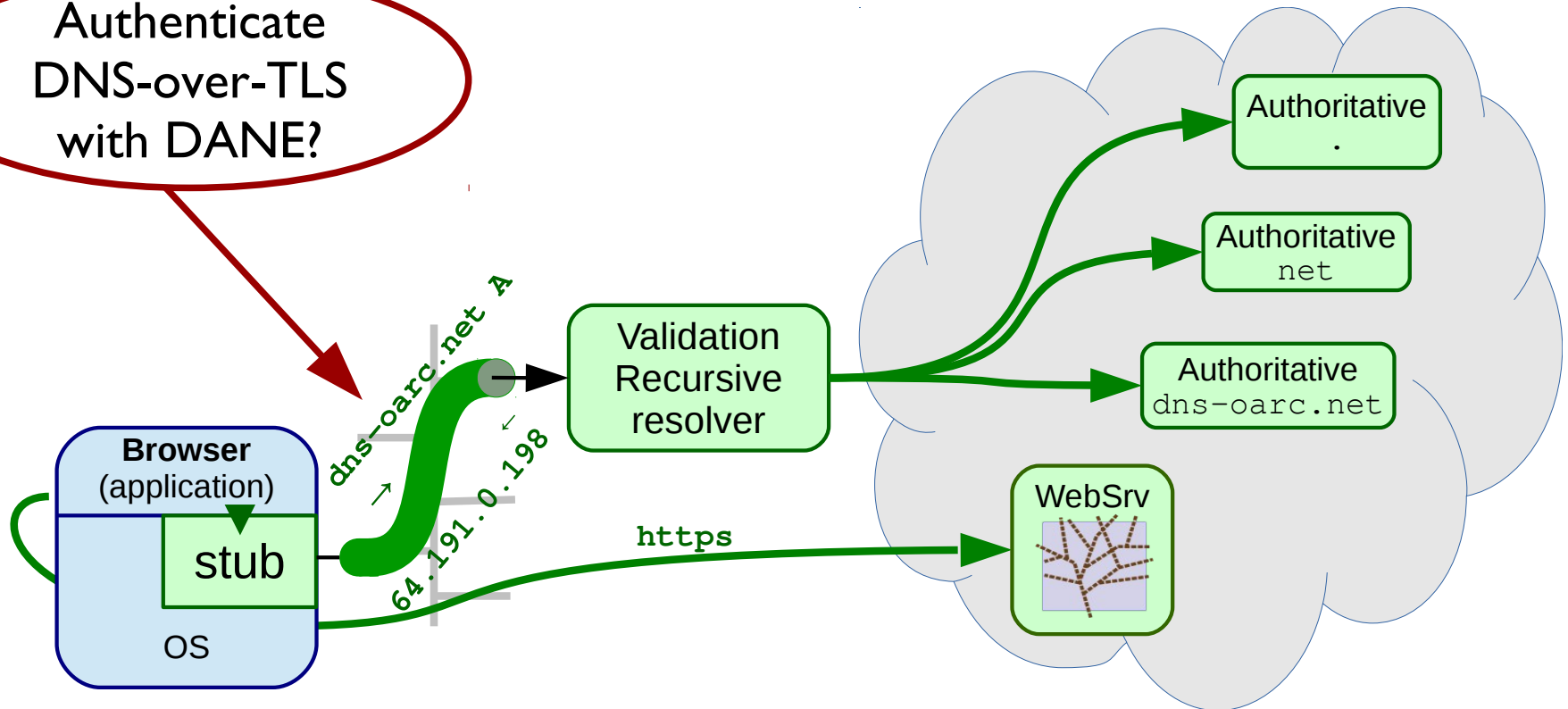


- Strengthen TLS security with the stub: DANE ( *DNS-based Authentication of Named Entities* )
- Also signalling system for TLS support ( *For application without user interaction* )



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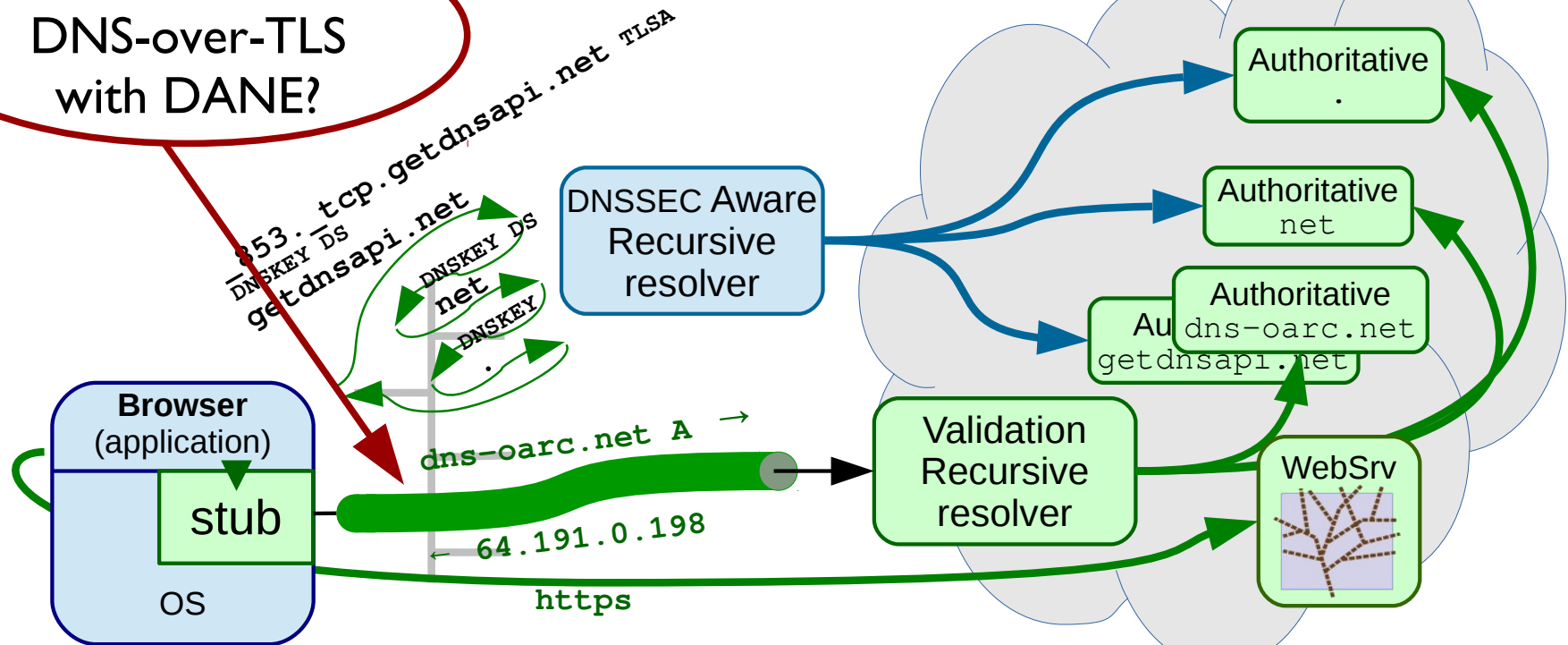
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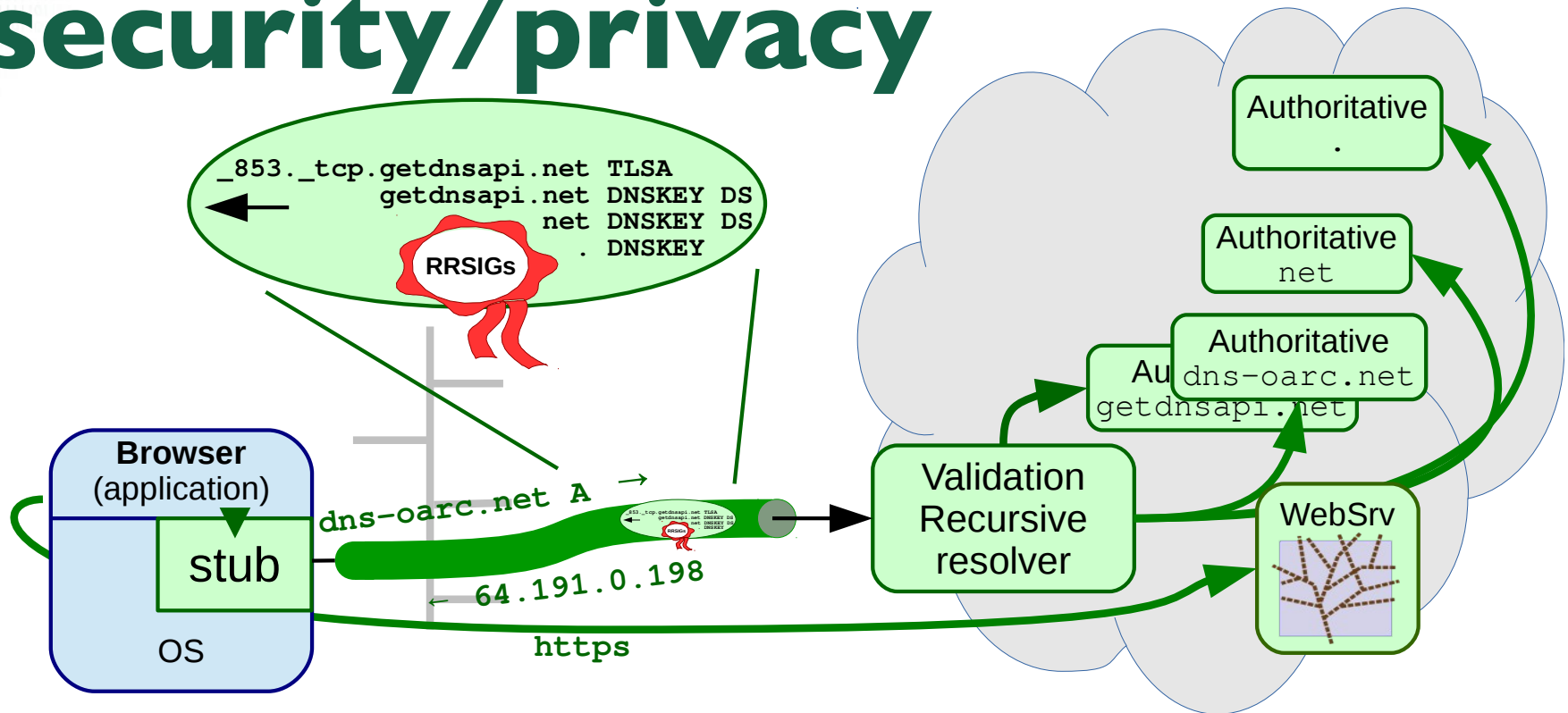
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  - Chicken and Egg problem

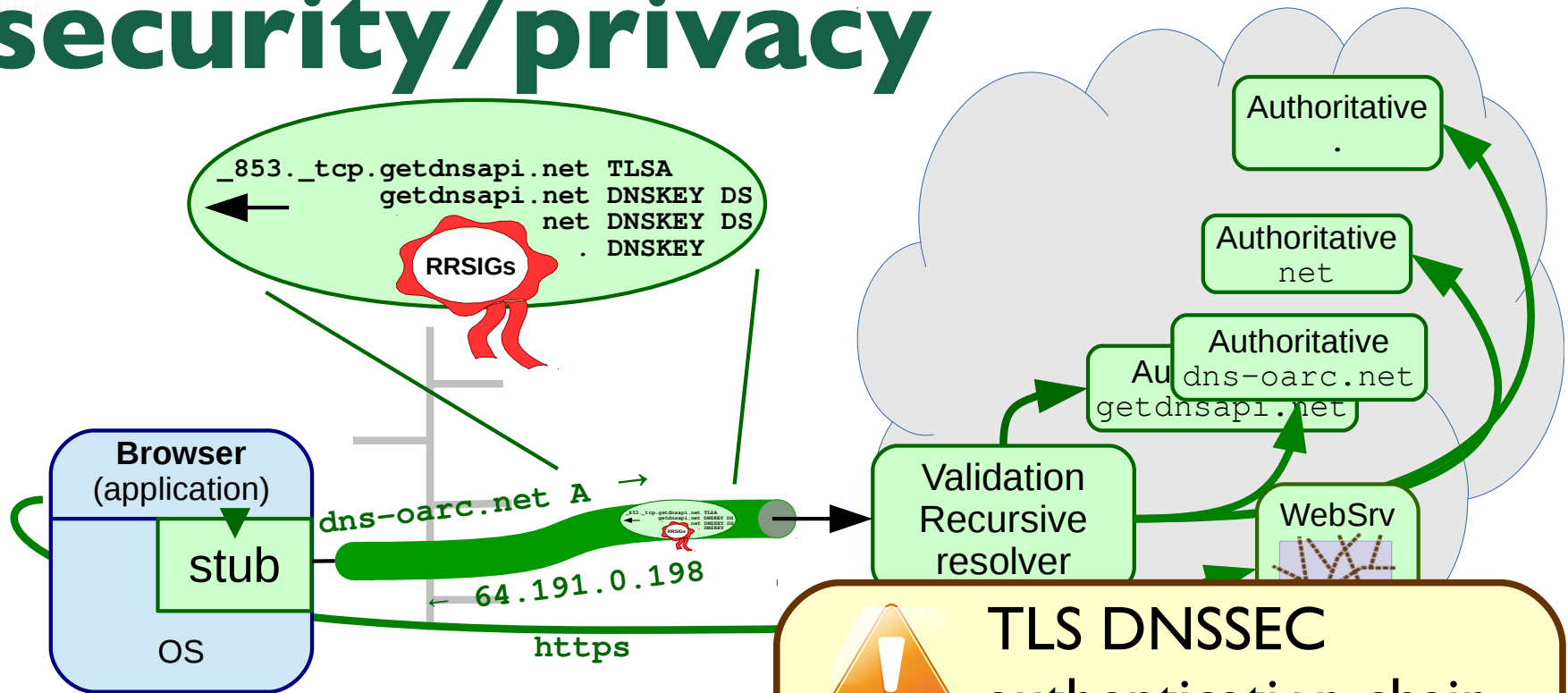
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- Have the TLSA record + the complete DNSSEC authentication chain embedded in a TLS extension

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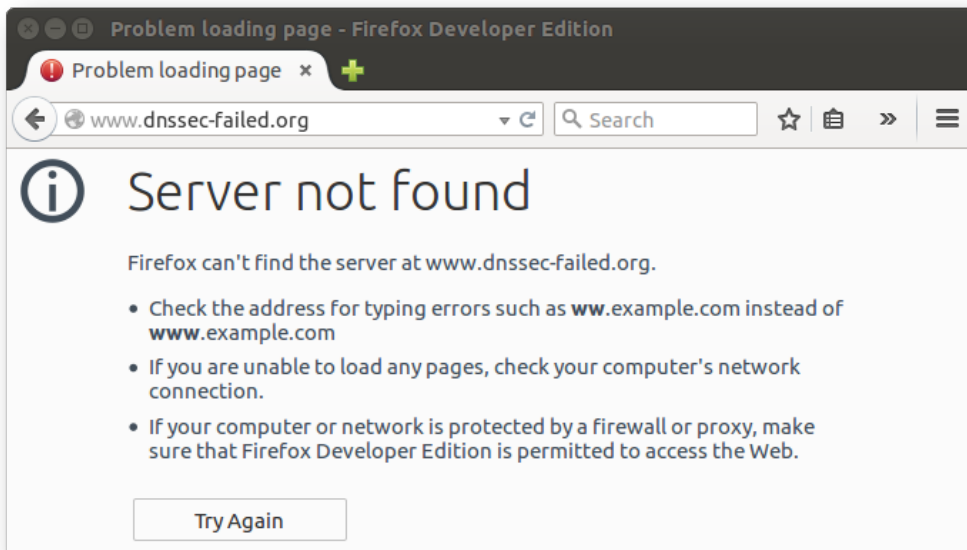


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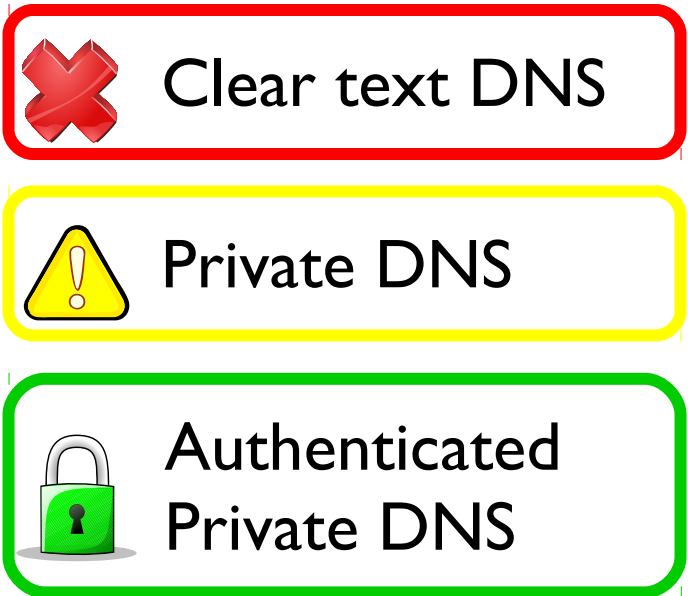
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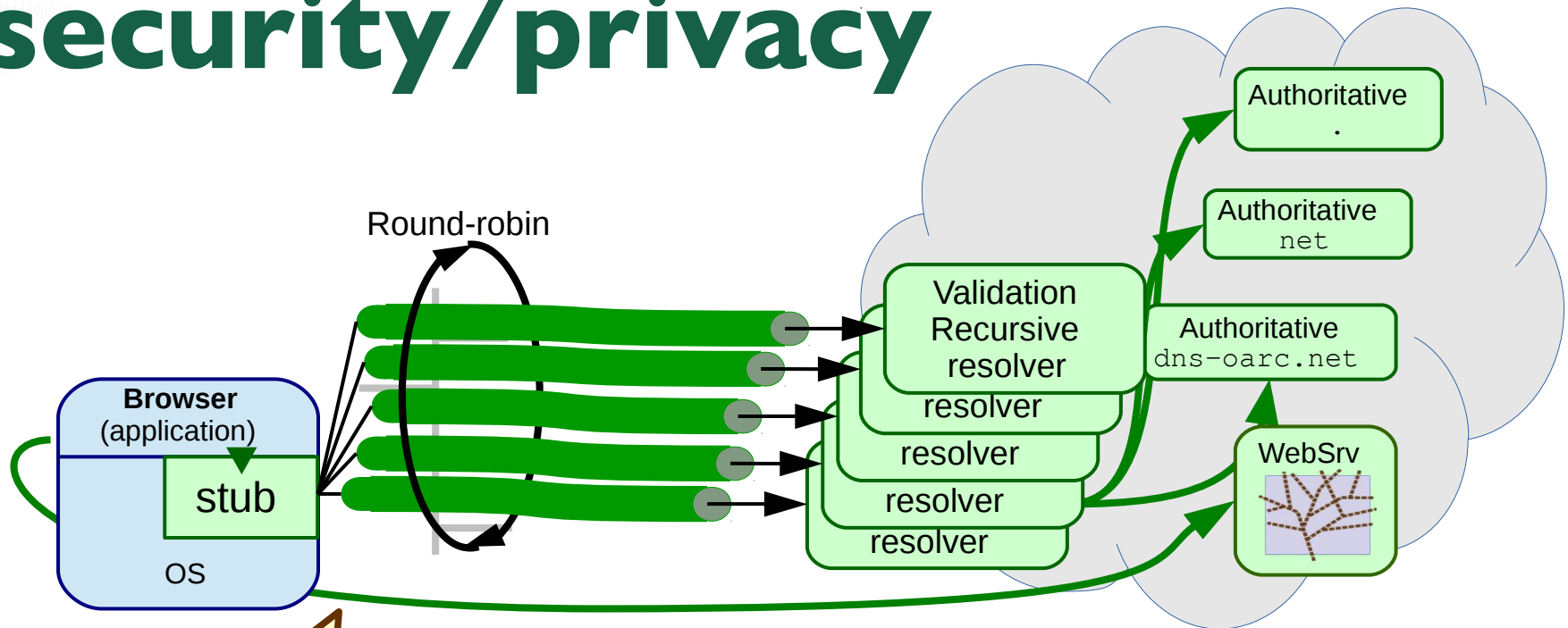


## DNS Privacy status



- The stub is close to the application  
Inform status of DNSSEC and DNS Privacy

# From the ground-up security/privacy



**BONUS FEATURE**

- Enhanced privacy by round-robinning upstreams



# From the ground-up security/privacy

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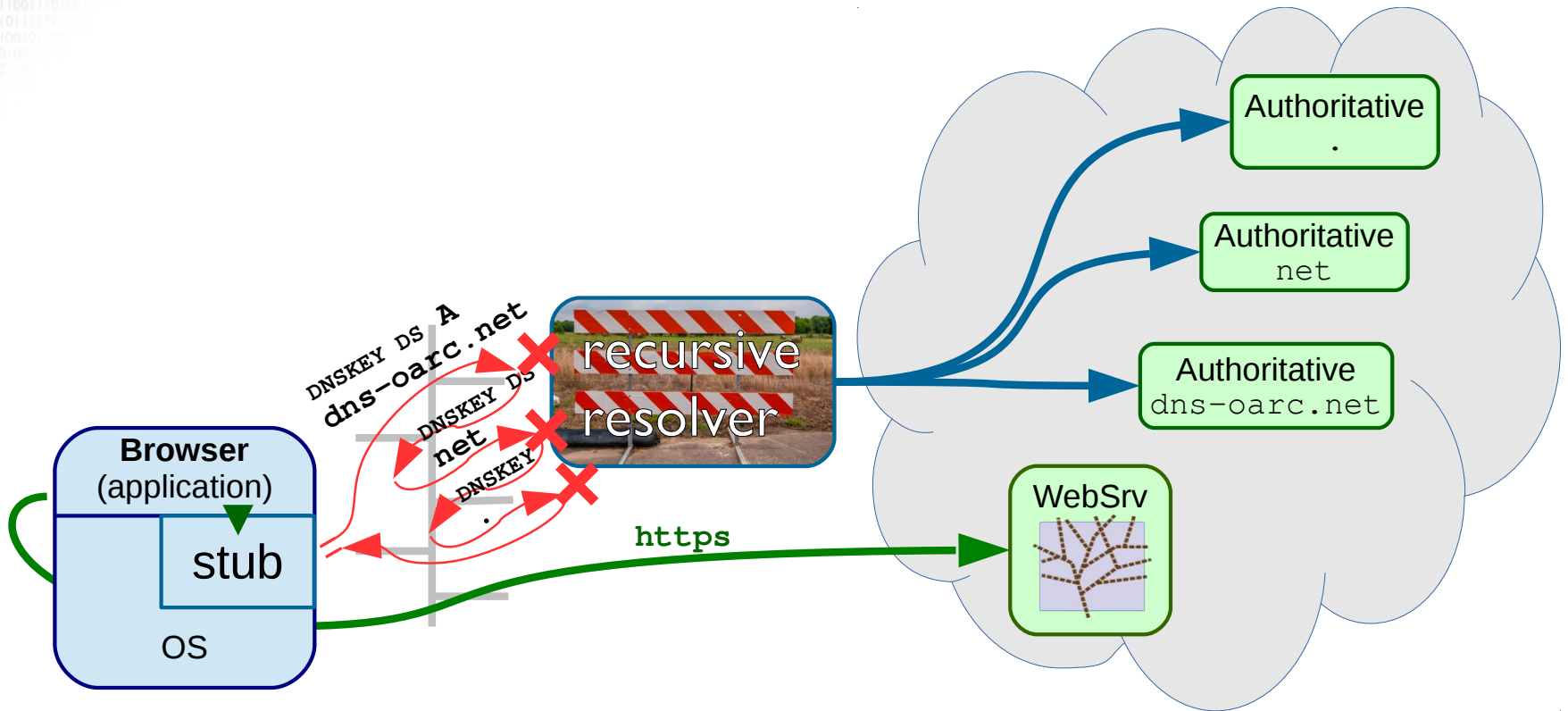
DNS over TLS

Non address lookups

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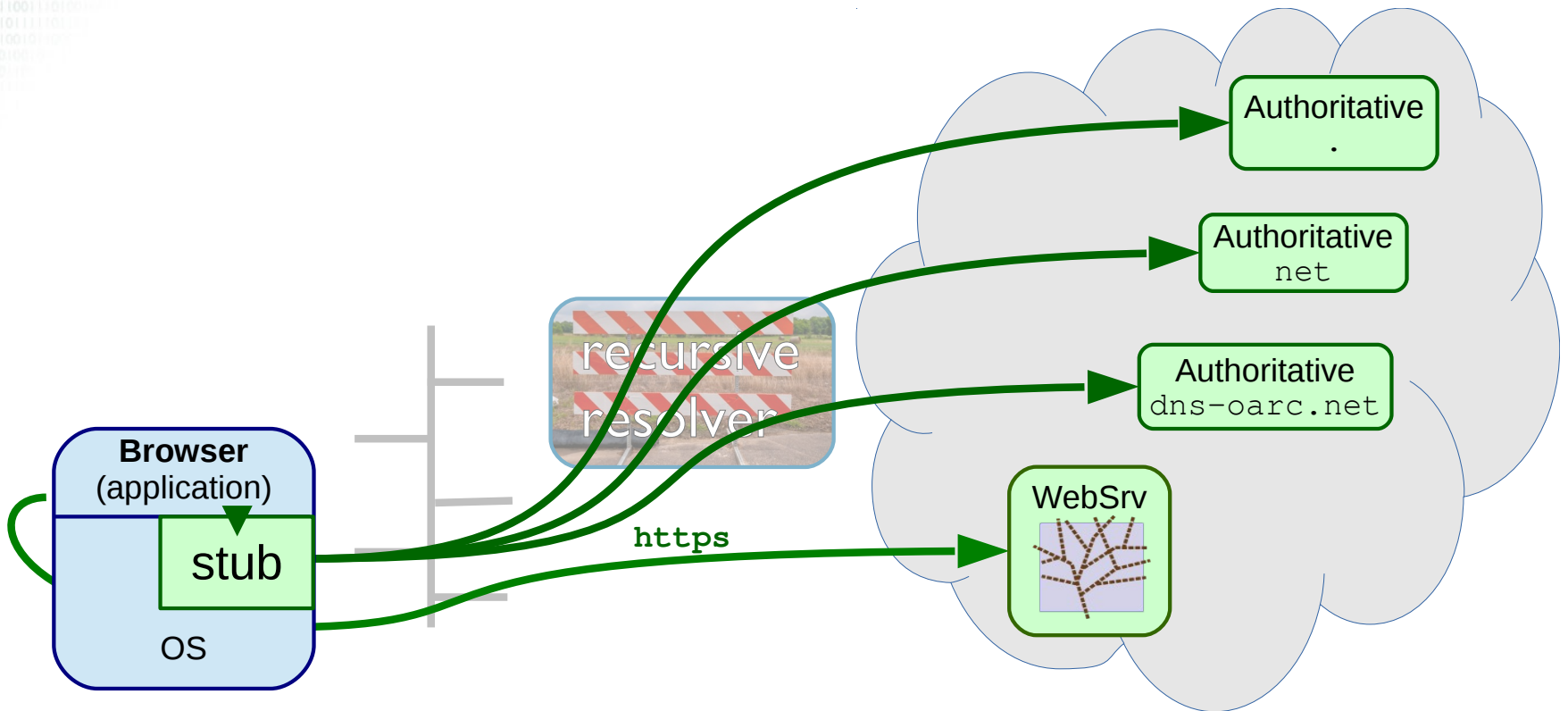


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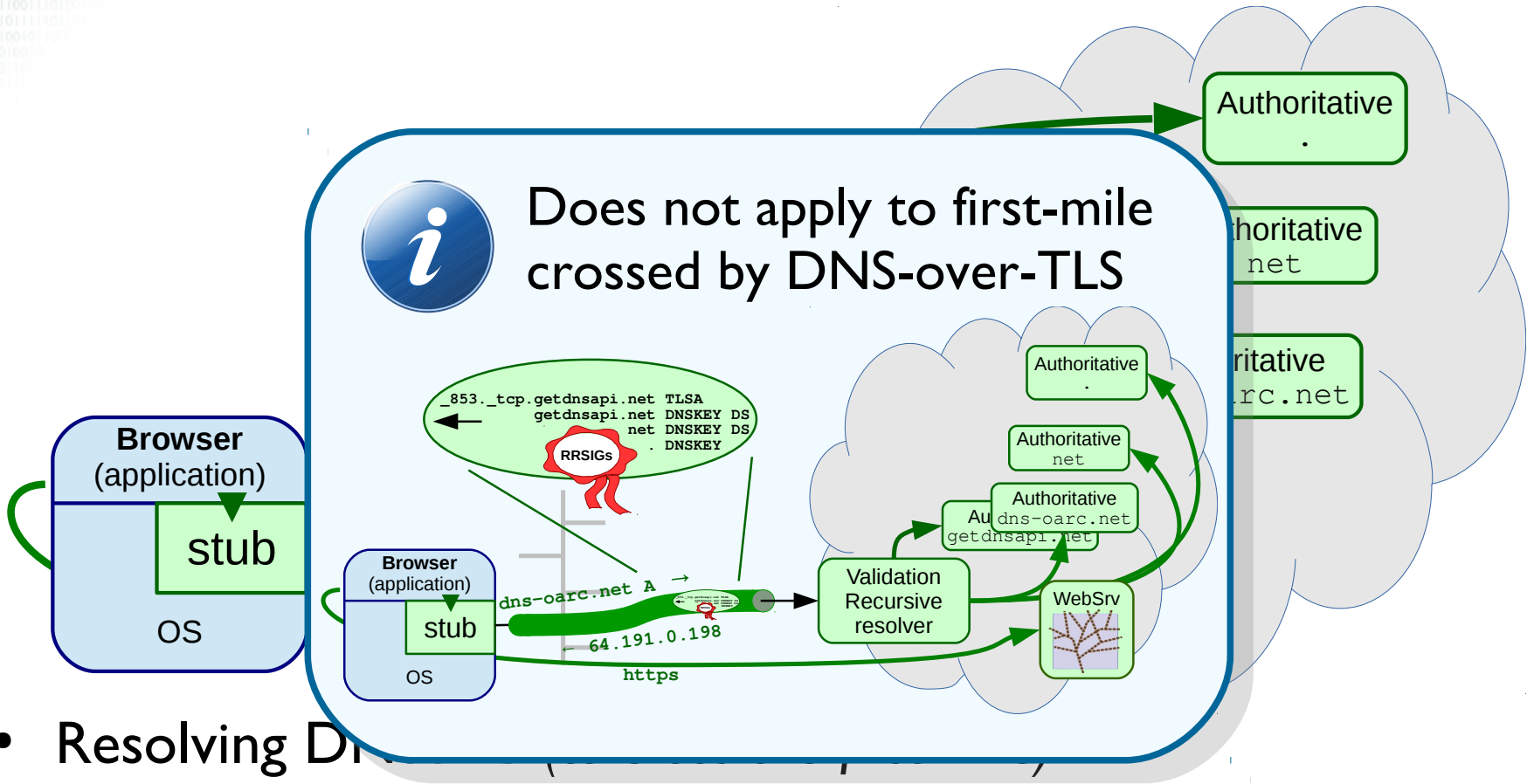
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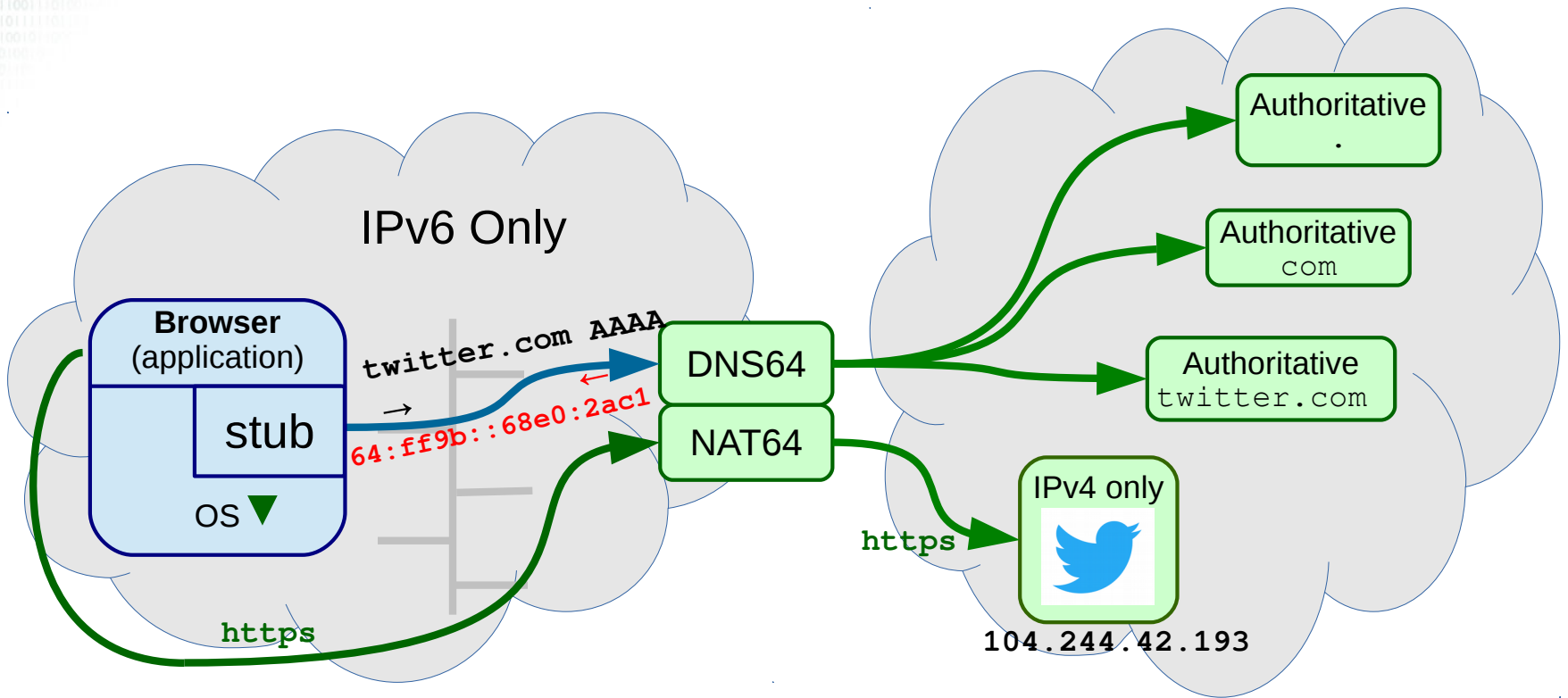
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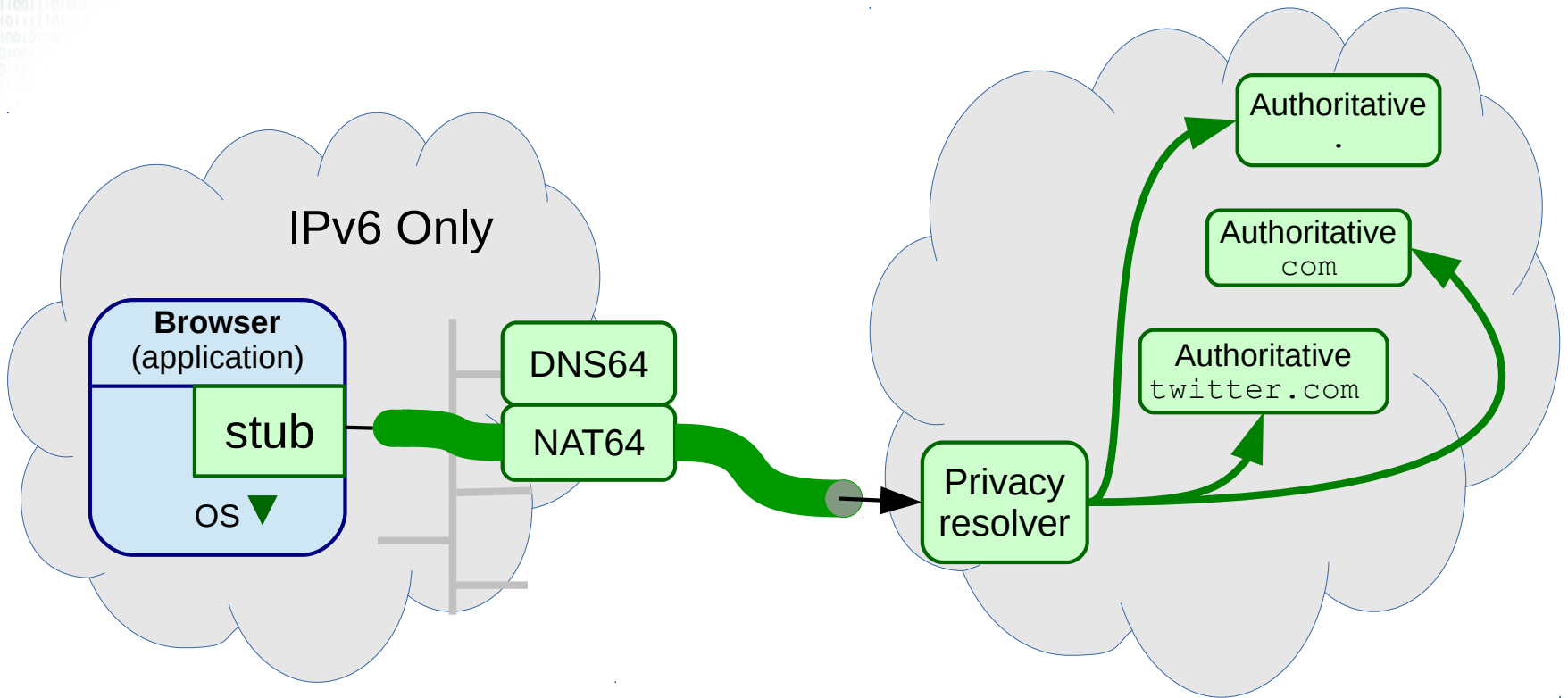
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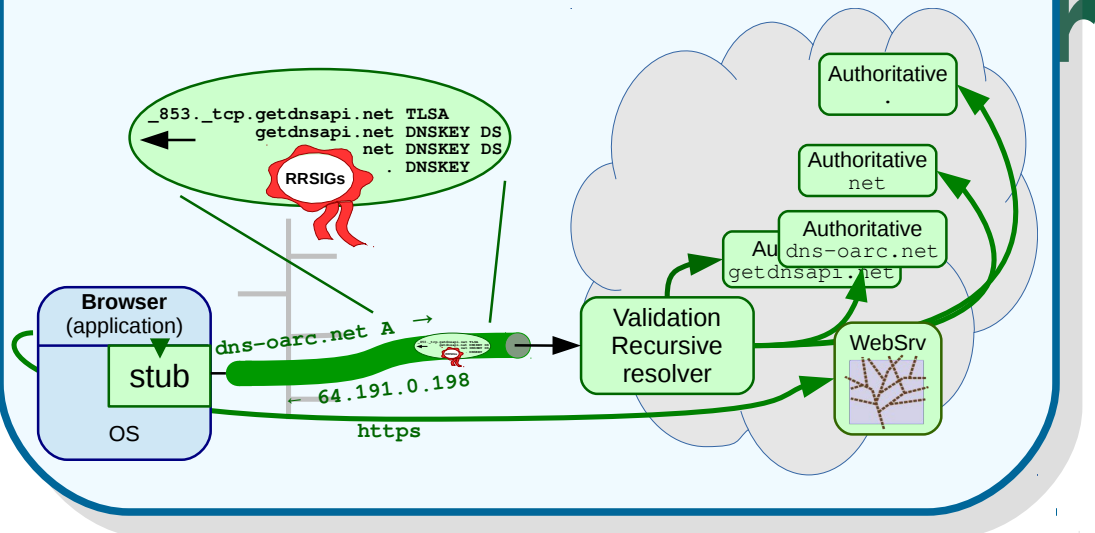
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## Root



In-band RFC5011 tracking with DNSSEC auth chain TLS extension



- DNSSEC

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- DNSSEC validating stubs must do RFC5011
- A stub library for DANE has no system config +bootstrap DNSSEC capability: <https://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc7958>
- A stub library for DANE runs with user's privileges



# DNSSEC Roadblocks

## DNSSEC stubs capability requirements

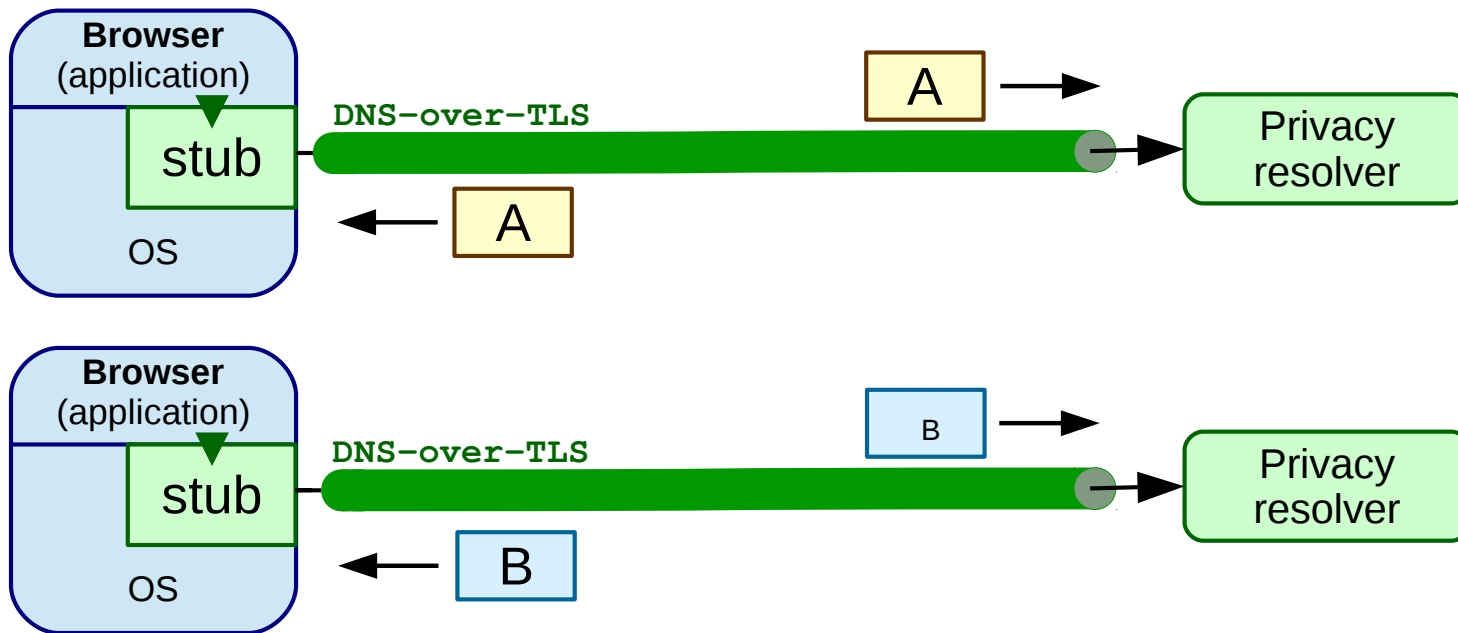
DNSSEC validation	<i>(various)</i>
<i>DNSSEC Roadblock Avoidance</i>	<i>RFC8027</i>
IPv6 Prefix Discovery	RFC7050
IPv6 Address Synthesis	RFC6147
Automated Trust Anchor Updates	RFC5011
Automated Initial Trust Anchor retrieval	RFC7958

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- EDNS0 keepalive
- EDNS0 padding

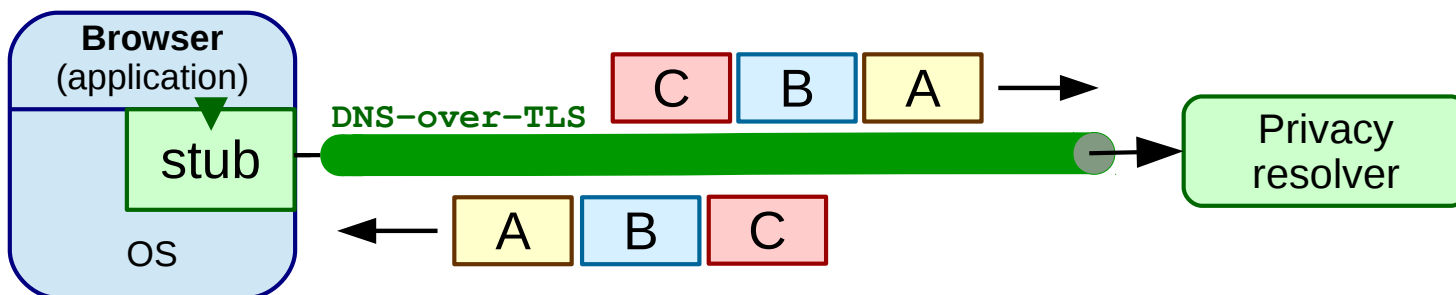
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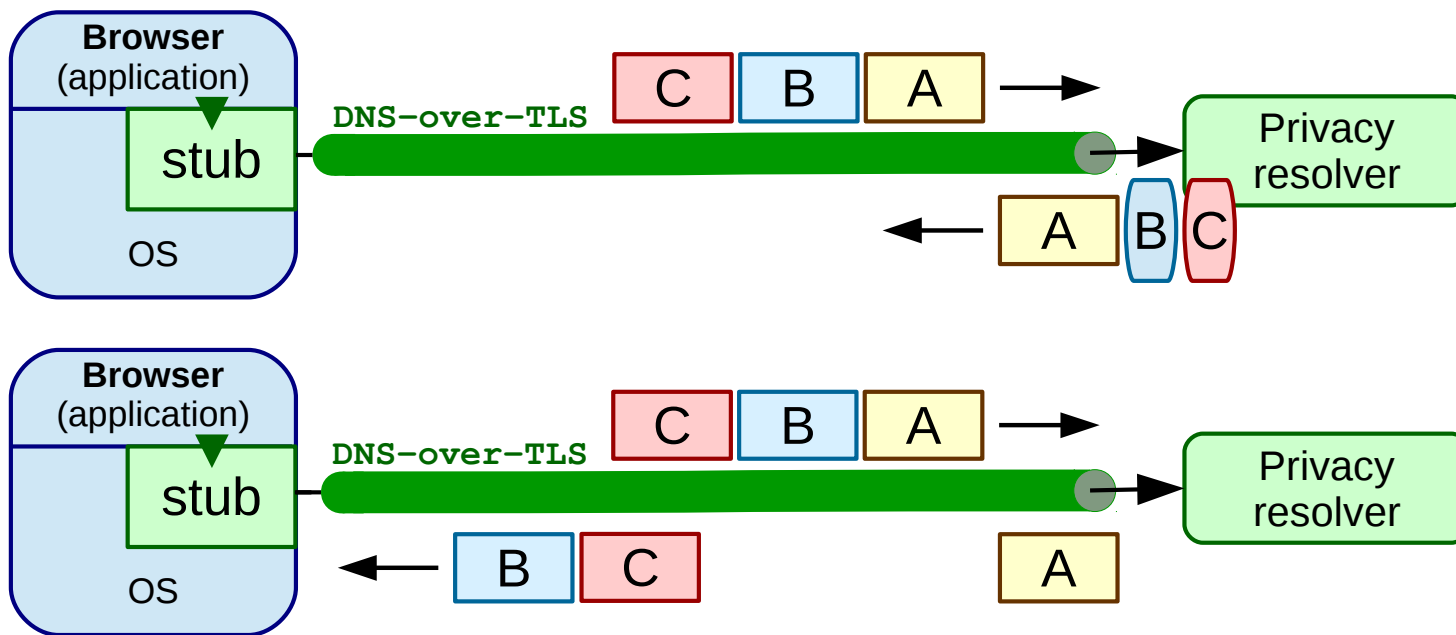


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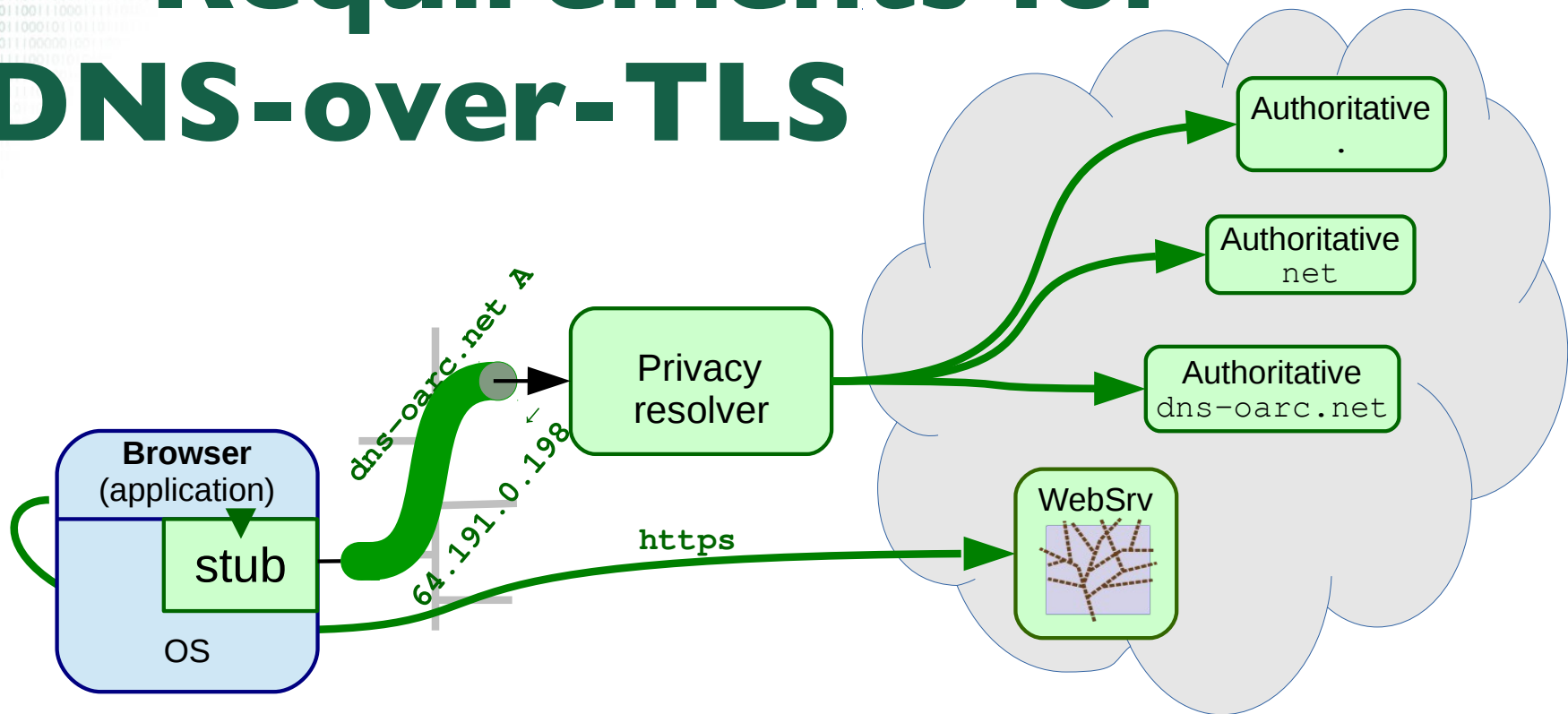
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- Process Out-Of-Order-Responses

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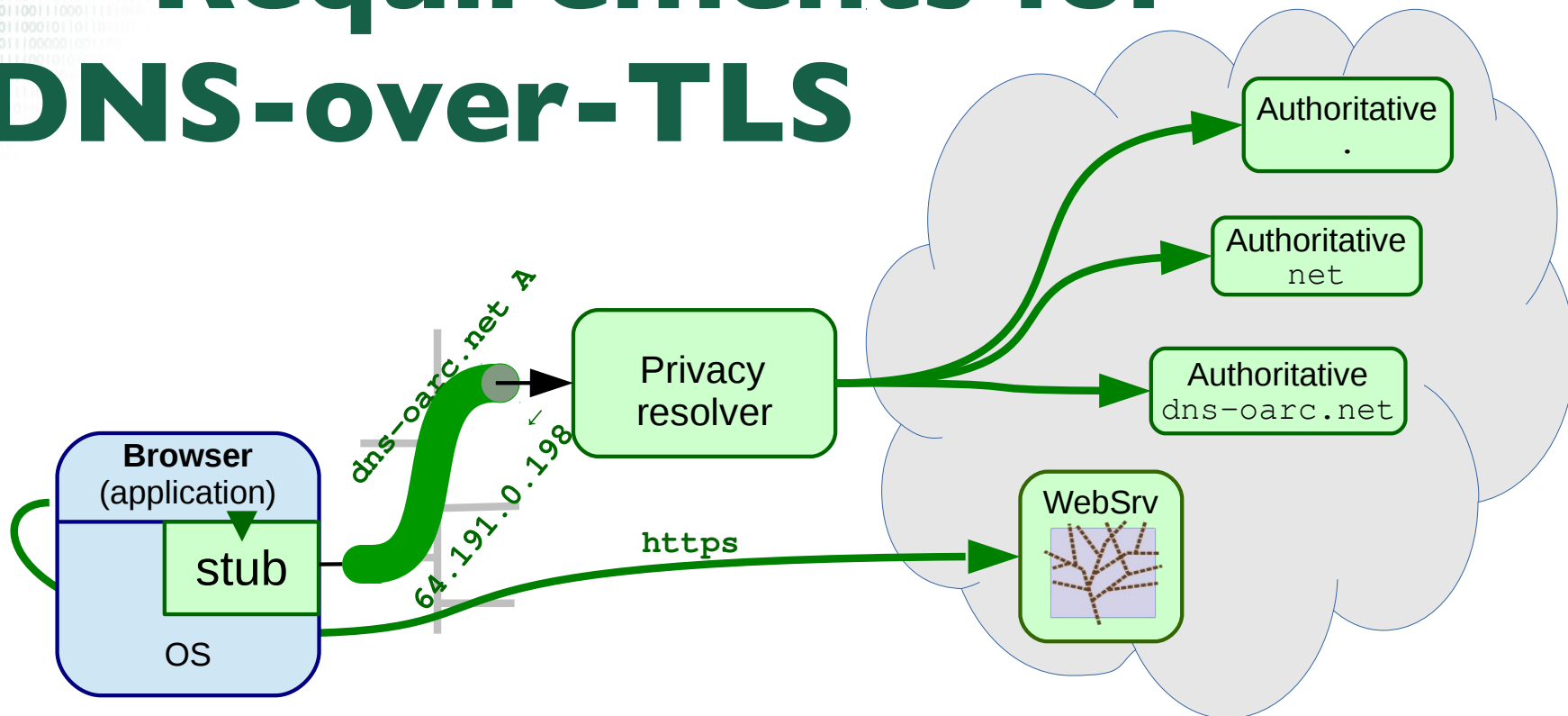


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- 1) Authenticated Private DNS
- 2) Private DNS
- 3) Clear text DNS

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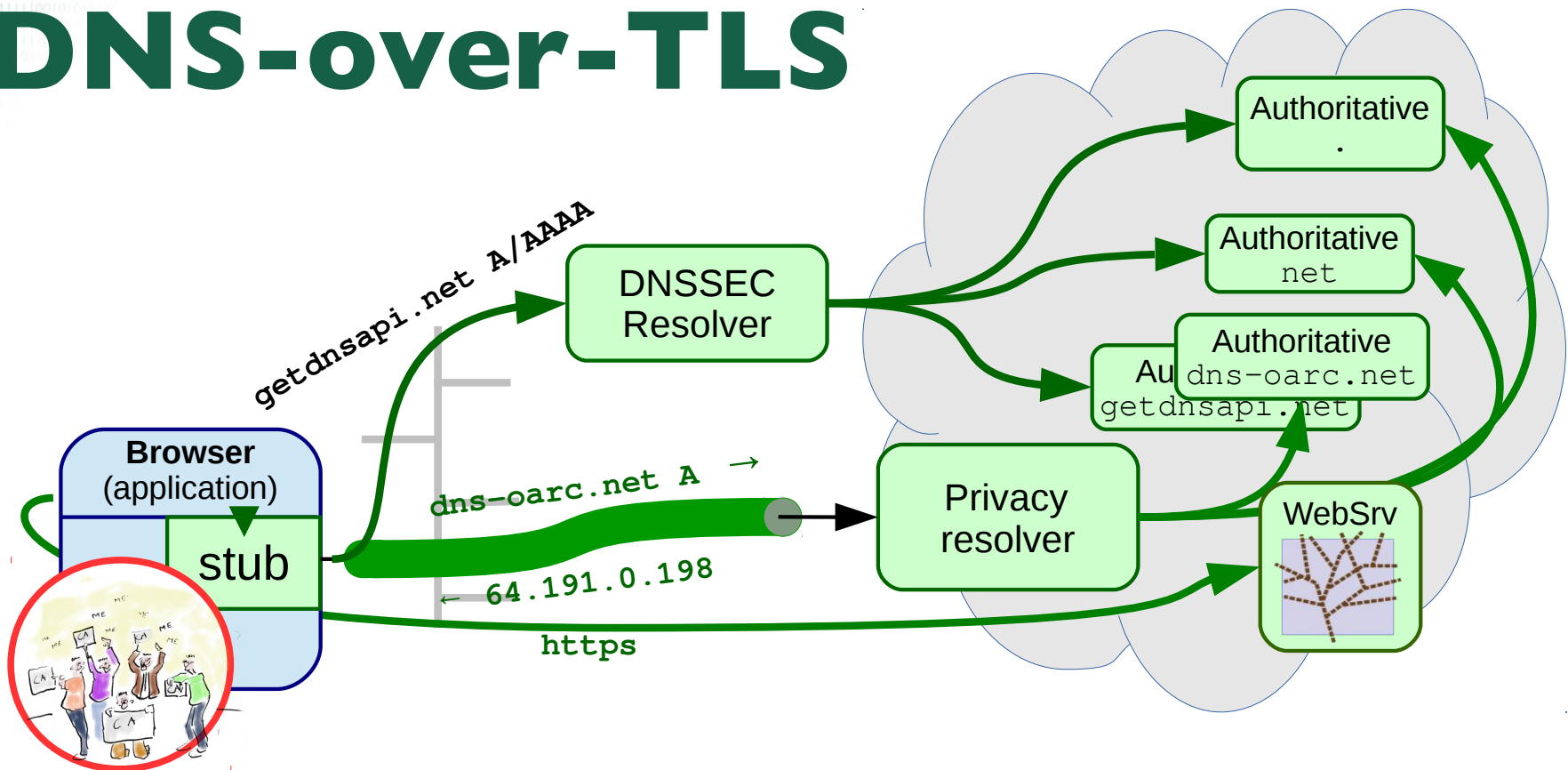
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RFC7858 (DNS-over-TLS)  
defined direct SPKI authentication only

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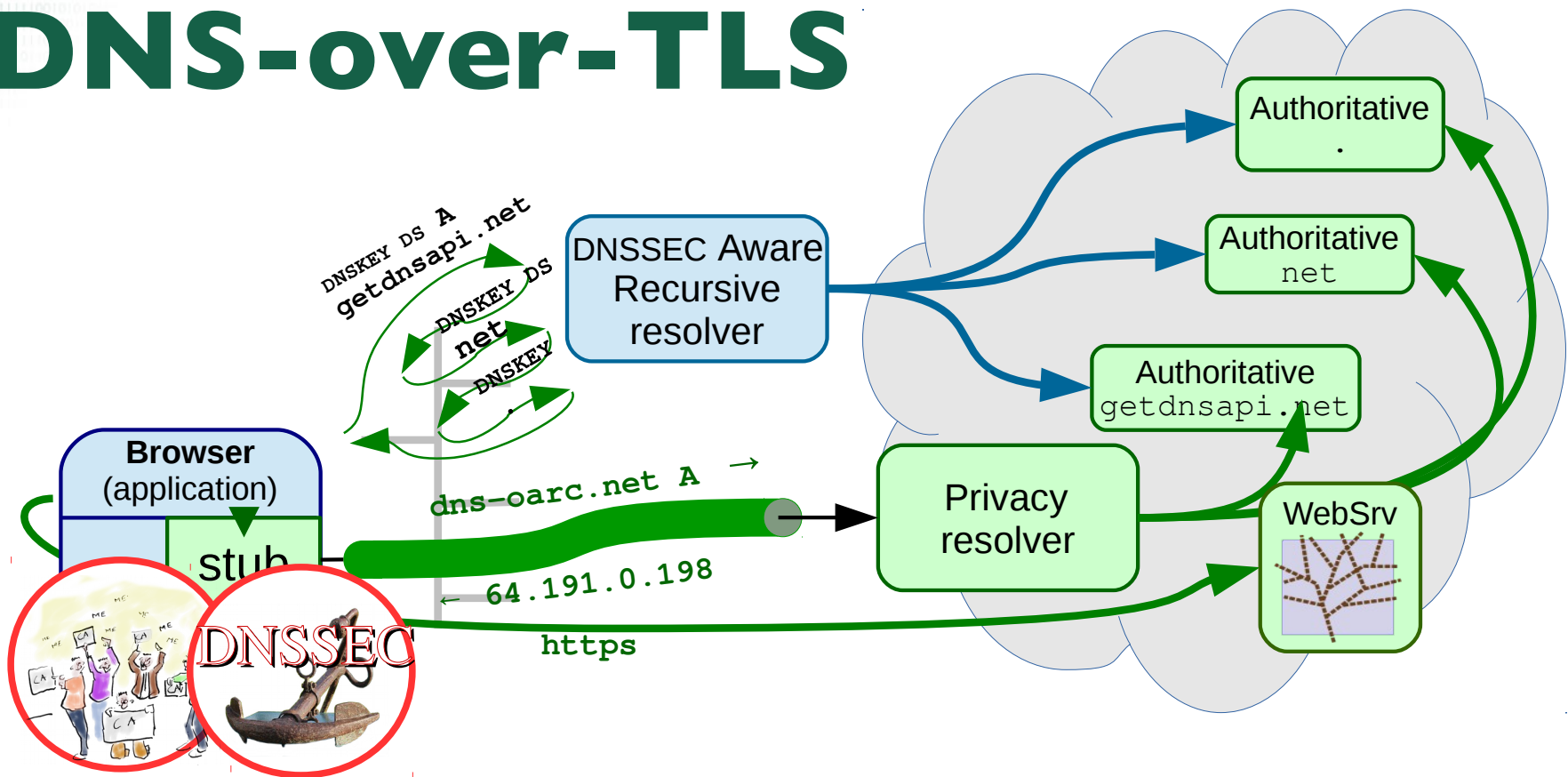
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(*bootstrap address lookup with regular DNS(SEC)*)

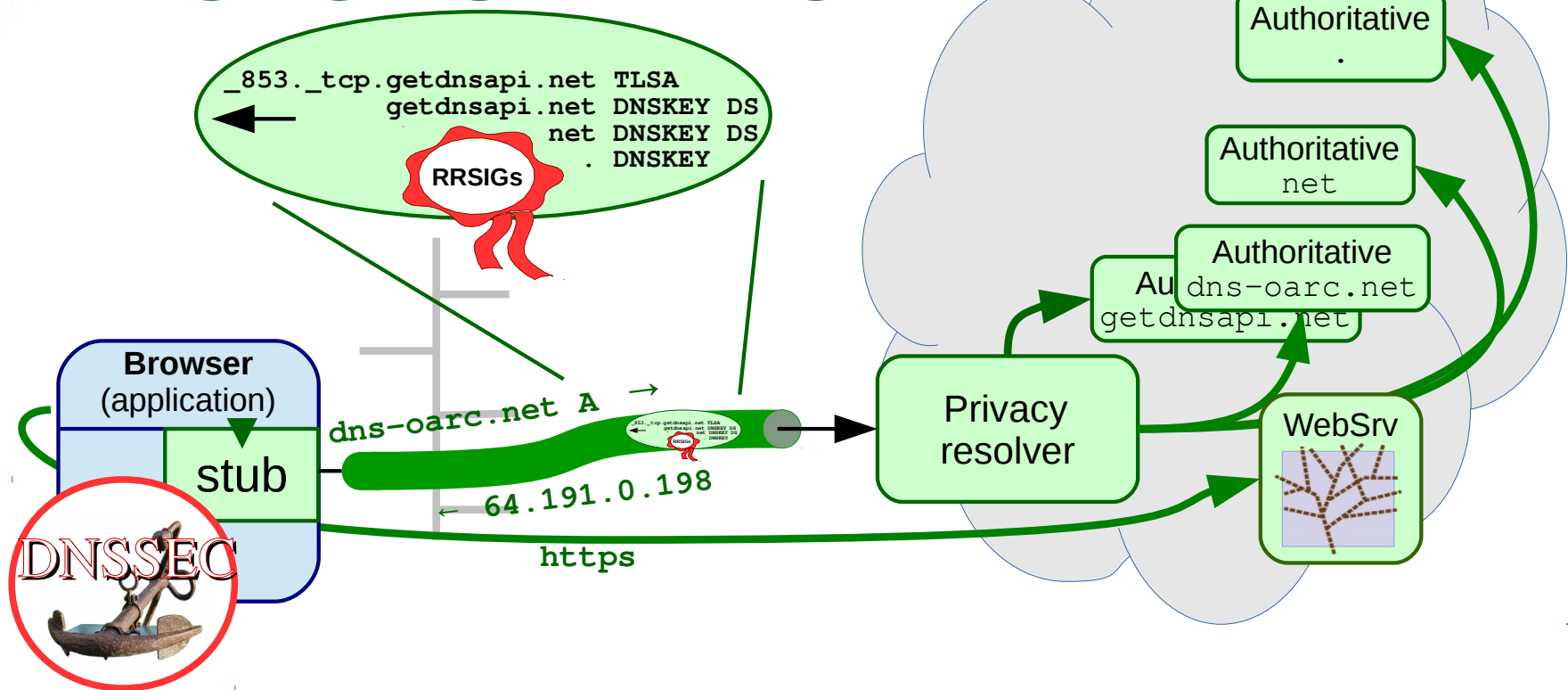


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(*stricter opportunistic with TLSA signalling*)

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- DNSSEC authentication chain TLS extension

# Requirements for DNS Privacy

DNS-over-TLS	RFC7858
Reuse / Pipelining / OOOOR	RFC7766
TCP Fastopen	RFC7413
ENDS0 keepalive	RFC7828
ENDS0 padding	RFC7830
<i>PKIX support for authentication</i>	<i>(various)</i>
DNSSEC support <i>(for address lookup and authentication)</i>	<i>(various)</i>

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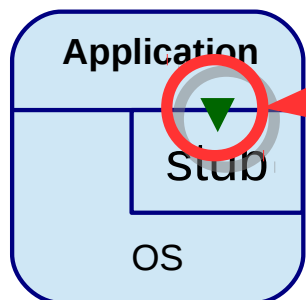
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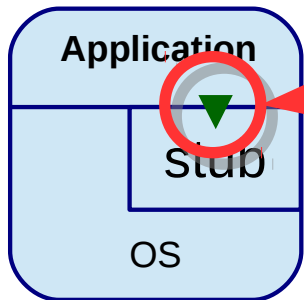
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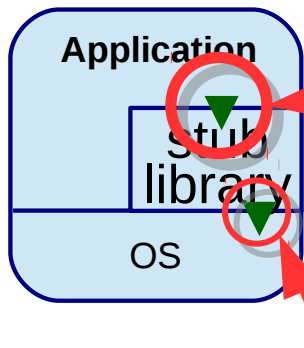


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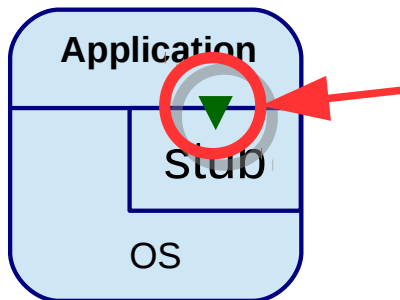
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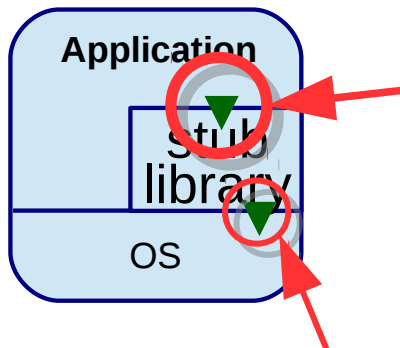
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Applications using `getaddrinfo()` API will not get the versatile stub features (*first DNSSEC mile coverage, DNS privacy*)



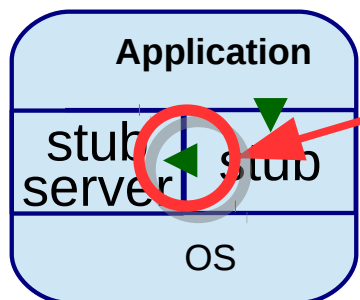
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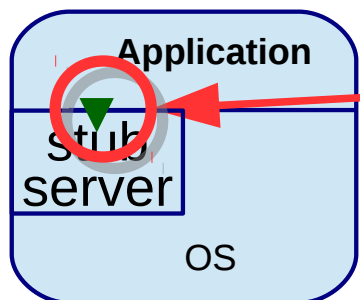
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- `getaddrinfo()` and `getnameinfo()` use system stub which uses stub server





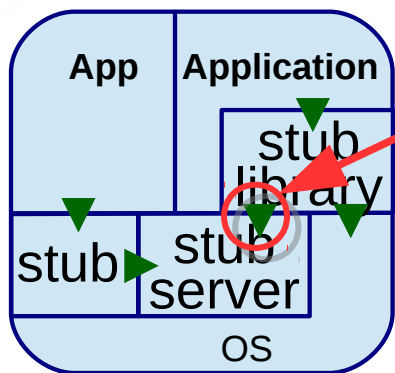
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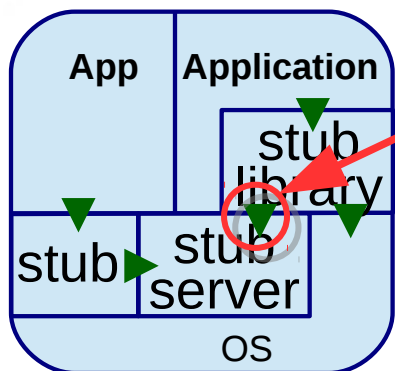
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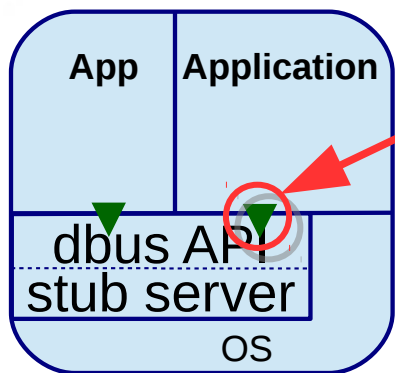
  
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Dnssec rigger

  
Dnsmasq

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Talk to stub server via the dbus API

- <https://www.freedesktop.org/wiki/Software/systemd/resolved/>

`systemd-resolved.service`  
**systemd-resolved**



# The Importance of Being an Earnest stub

The screenshot shows a Mozilla Firefox browser window displaying the Wiktionary page for 'Bunburying'. The browser's address bar shows the URL 'https://en.wiktionary.org/wiki/Bunbury'. The page content includes a navigation menu with options like 'Entry', 'Discussion', 'Citations', 'Read', 'Edit', and 'History'. The main heading is 'Bunburying', followed by 'English [edit]'. The 'Etymology' section explains that 'Bunbury' + '-ing' was coined by Oscar Wilde in 'The Importance of Being Earnest' (1895) after Bunbury, a fictitious invalid friend of the character Algernon. The 'Noun' section defines 'Bunburying' as avoiding one's duties and responsibilities by claiming to have appointments to see a fictitious person.

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