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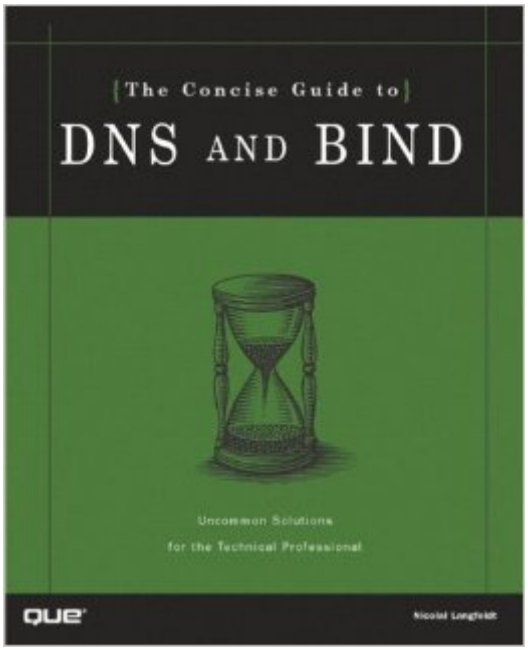

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Synopsis

The Concise Guide to DNS and BIND provides you with the technical depth and expert-level information you need to understand and administer DNS and BIND. Domain Name System (DNS) is a distributed Internet directory service. It is used mainly to translate between domain names and IP addresses, and to control Internet email delivery. Most Internet services rely on DNS to work, and if DNS fails, Web sites cannot be located and email delivery stalls. BIND (Berkeley Internet Name Daemon) is an implementation of the Domain Name System (DNS) protocols. This book covers setting up a DNS server and client, DNS domain zones, compiling and configuring BIND, dial-up connections, adding more domains, setting up root servers on private networks, firewall rules, Dynamic DNS (DDNS), subdomains and delegation, caching and name resolution, troubleshooting tools and techniques, debugging and logging, new features in BIND 8.2.2, and it offers introductory information on BIND 9.

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I found this book concice and clear, and much easier to understand than the classic "DNS and BIND" from O'Reilley. Specially, I found the fast steps onto a working DNS server clear and right to the point. I also enjoyed get a working secure dynamic DNS setup over a insecure network. Humor between the lines makes the book a good read. I'll have this book in my front bookshelf for a long time. It's great, both as a howto and for reference. Getting the BIND manpage printed on paper is a nice bonus as well. Mr. Langfeldt, you rule!Ingvar

I liked this book. It covers interesting and relevant fields (DDNS, security concerns, how to interface with DNS from different languages, ...) in addition to the basics, in enough depth to be really useful. It is practical and down-to-earth, with thorough examples, explaining how things work and why. It definitely helped me grok the ideas and concepts behind DNS.

I like the book in question. It covers several fields of DNS and BIND administrating not seen in other books. It also cover advanced fields like for example DDNS. It is clear that the writer knows what he is talking about.I feel that the book is not for the first-timer in DNS, although it gives a good overview of those items too. You should know a little, and then this book explains why things are the way they are and how to fix your many errors... For people who have looked at DNS, maybe dabbled a litte, it is a great way to learn it the proper way.Sadly, the Que-layout isn't up to O'Reilly standard, but if you ignore that, it is a really good book.

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