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# Rocky Enterprise Linux 9.2 Manual Pages on command 'resolvconf.1'

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NAME

resolvectl, resolvconf - Resolve domain names, IPV4 and IPv6 addresses, DNS resource records, and services; introspect and reconfigure the DNS resolver

**SYNOPSIS** 

resolvectl [OPTIONS...] {COMMAND} [NAME...]

# **DESCRIPTION**

resolvectI may be used to resolve domain names, IPv4 and IPv6 addresses, DNS resource records and services with the systemd-resolved.service(8) resolver service. By default, the specified list of parameters will be resolved as hostnames, retrieving their IPv4 and IPv6 addresses. If the parameters specified are formatted as IPv4 or IPv6 operation the reverse operation is done, and a hostname is retrieved for the specified addresses. The program's output contains information about the protocol used for the look-up and on which network interface the data was discovered. It also contains information on whether the information could be authenticated. All data for which local DNSSEC validation succeeds is considered authenticated. Moreover all data originating from local, trusted sources is also reported authenticated, including resolution of the local host name, the "localhost" hostname or all data from /etc/hosts.

# **COMMANDS**

query HOSTNAME|ADDRESS...

Resolve domain names, as well as IPv4 and IPv6 addresses. When used in conjunction with --type= or --class= (see below), resolves low-level DNS resource records.

If a single-label domain name is specified it is searched for according to the

configured search domains? unless --search=no or --type=/--class= are specified, both of which turn this logic off.

If an international domain name is specified, it is automatically translated according to IDNA rules when resolved via classic DNS? but not for look-ups via MulticastDNS or LLMNR. If --type=/--class= is used IDNA translation is turned off and domain names are processed as specified.

# service [[NAME] TYPE] DOMAIN

Resolve DNS-SD[1] and SRV[2] services, depending on the specified list of parameters. If three parameters are passed the first is assumed to be the DNS-SD service name, the second the SRV service type, and the third the domain to search in. In this case a full DNS-SD style SRV and TXT lookup is executed. If only two parameters are specified, the first is assumed to be the SRV service type, and the second the domain to look in. In this case no TXT resource record is requested. Finally, if only one parameter is specified, it is assumed to be a domain name, that is already prefixed with an SRV type, and an SRV lookup is done (no TXT).

# openpgp EMAIL@DOMAIN...

Query PGP keys stored as OPENPGPKEY resource records, see RFC 7929[3]. Specified e-mail addresses are converted to the corresponding DNS domain name, and any OPENPGPKEY keys are printed.

#### tlsa [FAMILY] DOMAIN[:PORT]...

Query TLS public keys stored as TLSA resource records, see RFC 6698[4]. A query will be performed for each of the specified names prefixed with the port and family ("\_port.\_family.domain"). The port number may be specified after a colon (":"), otherwise 443 will be used by default. The family may be specified as the first argument, otherwise tcp will be used.

#### status [LINK...]

Shows the global and per-link DNS settings currently in effect. If no command is specified, this is the implied default.

## statistics

Shows general resolver statistics, including information whether DNSSEC is enabled and available, as well as resolution and validation statistics.

# reset-statistics

root privileges.

#### flush-caches

Flushes all DNS resource record caches the service maintains locally. This is mostly equivalent to sending the SIGUSR2 to the systemd-resolved service.

#### reset-server-features

Flushes all feature level information the resolver learnt about specific servers, and ensures that the server feature probing logic is started from the beginning with the next look-up request. This is mostly equivalent to sending the SIGRTMIN+1 to the systemd-resolved service.

dns [LINK [SERVER...]], domain [LINK [DOMAIN...]], default-route [LINK [BOOL...]], Ilmnr [LINK [MODE]], mdns [LINK [MODE]], dnsovertls [LINK [MODE]], nta [LINK [DOMAIN...]]

Get/set per-interface DNS configuration. These commands may be used to configure

various DNS settings for network interfaces. These commands may be used to inform systemd-resolved or systemd-networkd about per-interface DNS configuration determined through external means. The dns command expects IPv4 or IPv6 address specifications of DNS servers to use. Each address can optionally take a port number separated with ":", a network interface name or index separated with "%", and a Server Name Indication (SNI) separated with "#". When IPv6 address is specified with a port number, then the address must be in the square brackets. That is, the acceptable full formats are "111.222.333.444:9953%ifname#example.com" for IPv4 and "[1111:2222::3333]:9953%ifname#example.com" for IPv6. The domain command expects valid DNS domains, possibly prefixed with "~", and configures a per-interface search or route-only domain. The default-route command expects a boolean parameter, and configures whether the link may be used as default route for DNS lookups, i.e. if it is suitable for lookups on domains no other link explicitly is configured for. The Ilmnr, mdns, dnssec and dnsovertls commands may be used to configure the per-interface LLMNR, MulticastDNS, DNSSEC and DNSOverTLS settings. Finally, nta command may be used to configure additional per-interface DNSSEC NTA domains.

Commands dns, domain and nta can take a single empty string argument to clear their respective value lists.

For details about these settings, their possible values and their effect, see the corresponding settings in systemd.network(5).

## revert LINK

Revert the per-interface DNS configuration. If the DNS configuration is reverted all per-interface DNS setting are reset to their defaults, undoing all effects of dns, domain, default-route, llmnr, mdns, dnssec, dnsovertls, nta. Note that when a network interface disappears all configuration is lost automatically, an explicit reverting is not necessary in that case.

# log-level [LEVEL]

If no argument is given, print the current log level of the manager. If an optional argument LEVEL is provided, then the command changes the current log level of the manager to LEVEL (accepts the same values as --log-level= described in systemd(1)).

#### **OPTIONS**

#### -4, -6

By default, when resolving a hostname, both IPv4 and IPv6 addresses are acquired. By specifying -4 only IPv4 addresses are requested, by specifying -6 only IPv6 addresses are requested.

## -i INTERFACE, --interface=INTERFACE

Specifies the network interface to execute the query on. This may either be specified as numeric interface index or as network interface string (e.g. "en0"). Note that this option has no effect if system-wide DNS configuration (as configured in /etc/resolv.conf or /etc/systemd/resolved.conf) in place of per-link configuration is used.

# -p PROTOCOL, --protocol=PROTOCOL

Specifies the network protocol for the query. May be one of "dns" (i.e. classic unicast DNS), "Ilmnr" (Link-Local Multicast Name Resolution[5]), "Ilmnr-ipv4", "Ilmnr-ipv6" (LLMNR via the indicated underlying IP protocols), "mdns" (Multicast DNS[6]), "mdns-ipv4", "mdns-ipv6" (MDNS via the indicated underlying IP protocols). By default the lookup is done via all protocols suitable for the lookup. If used, limits the set of protocols that may be used. Use this option multiple times to enable resolving via multiple protocols at the same time. The setting "Ilmnr" is identical to specifying this switch once with "Ilmnr-ipv4" and once via "Ilmnr-ipv6". Note that this option does not force the service to resolve the operation with the specified protocol, as that might require a suitable network interface and configuration. The special value "help" may be used to list known values.

# -t TYPE, --type=TYPE, -c CLASS, --class=CLASS

When used in conjunction with the query command, specifies the DNS resource record type (e.g. A, AAAA, MX, ...) and class (e.g. IN, ANY, ...) to look up. If these options are used a DNS resource record set matching the specified class and type is requested. The class defaults to IN if only a type is specified. The special value "help" may be used to list known values.

Without these options resolvectl query provides high-level domain name to address and address to domain name resolution. With these options it provides low-level DNS resource record resolution. The search domain logic is automatically turned off when these options are used, i.e. specified domain names need to be fully qualified domain names. Moreover, IDNA internal domain name translation is turned off as well, i.e. international domain names should be specified in "xn--..." notation, unless look-up in MulticastDNS/LLMNR is desired, in which case UTF-8 characters should be used.

#### --service-address=BOOL

Takes a boolean parameter. If true (the default), when doing a service lookup with --service the hostnames contained in the SRV resource records are resolved as well.

## --service-txt=BOOL

Takes a boolean parameter. If true (the default), when doing a DNS-SD service lookup with --service the TXT service metadata record is resolved as well.

#### --cname=BOOL

Takes a boolean parameter. If true (the default), DNS CNAME or DNAME redirections are followed. Otherwise, if a CNAME or DNAME record is encountered while resolving, an error is returned.

## --validate=BOOL

Takes a boolean parameter; used in conjunction with query. If true (the default), DNSSEC validation is applied as usual? under the condition that it is enabled for the network and for systemd-resolved.service as a whole. If false, DNSSEC validation is disabled for the specific query, regardless of whether it is enabled for the network or in the service. Note that setting this option to true does not force DNSSEC validation on systems/networks where DNSSEC is turned off. This option is only suitable to turn off such validation where otherwise enabled, not enable validation where otherwise disabled.

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Takes a boolean parameter; used in conjunction with query. If true (the default), select domains are resolved on the local system, among them "localhost", "\_gateway" and "\_outbound", or entries from /etc/hosts. If false these domains are not resolved locally, and either fail (in case of "localhost", "\_gateway" or "\_outbound" and suchlike) or go to the network via regular DNS/mDNS/LLMNR lookups (in case of /etc/hosts entries).

# --cache=BOOL

Takes a boolean parameter; used in conjunction with query. If true (the default), lookups use the local DNS resource record cache. If false, lookups are routed to the network instead, regardless if already available in the local cache.

## --zone=BOOL

Takes a boolean parameter; used in conjunction with query. If true (the default), lookups are answered from locally registered LLMNR or mDNS resource records, if defined. If false, locally registered LLMNR/mDNS records are not considered for the lookup request.

#### --trust-anchor=BOOL

Takes a boolean parameter; used in conjunction with query. If true (the default), lookups for DS and DNSKEY are answered from the local DNSSEC trust anchors if possible. If false, the local trust store is not considered for the lookup request.

#### --network=BOOL

Takes a boolean parameter; used in conjunction with query. If true (the default), lookups are answered via DNS, LLMNR or mDNS network requests if they cannot be synthesized locally, or be answered from the local cache, zone or trust anchors (see above). If false, the request is not answered from the network and will thus fail if none of the indicated sources can answer them.

#### --search=BOOL

Takes a boolean parameter. If true (the default), any specified single-label hostnames will be searched in the domains configured in the search domain list, if it is non-empty. Otherwise, the search domain logic is disabled. Note that this option has no effect if --type= is used (see above), in which case the search domain logic is unconditionally turned off.

## --raw[=payload|packet]

"payload", the payload of the packet is exported. If the argument is "packet", the whole packet is dumped in wire format, prefixed by length specified as a little-endian 64-bit number. This format allows multiple packets to be dumped and unambiguously parsed.

--legend=BOOL

Takes a boolean parameter. If true (the default), column headers and meta information about the query response are shown. Otherwise, this output is suppressed.

-h, --help

Print a short help text and exit.

--version

Print a short version string and exit.

--no-pager

Do not pipe output into a pager.

# COMPATIBILITY WITH RESOLVCONF(8)

resolvectl is a multi-call binary. When invoked as "resolvconf" (generally achieved by means of a symbolic link of this name to the resolvectl binary) it is run in a limited resolvconf(8) compatibility mode. It accepts mostly the same arguments and pushes all data into systemd-resolved.service(8), similar to how dns and domain commands operate. Note that systemd-resolved.service is the only supported backend, which is different from other implementations of this command.

/etc/resolv.conf will only be updated with servers added with this command when /etc/resolv.conf is a symlink to /run/systemd/resolve/resolv.conf, and not a static file. See the discussion of /etc/resolv.conf handling in systemd-resolved.service(8). Not all operations supported by other implementations are supported natively. Specifically:

-a

Registers per-interface DNS configuration data with systemd-resolved. Expects a network interface name as only command line argument. Reads resolv.conf(5)-compatible DNS configuration data from its standard input. Relevant fields are "nameserver" and "domain"/"search". This command is mostly identical to invoking resolvectl with a combination of dns and domain commands.

-d

is mostly identical to invoking resolvectl revert.

-f

When specified -a and -d will not complain about missing network interfaces and will silently execute no operation in that case.

-X

This switch for "exclusive" operation is supported only partially. It is mapped to an additional configured search domain of "~." ? i.e. ensures that DNS traffic is preferably routed to the DNS servers on this interface, unless there are other, more specific domains configured on other interfaces.

-m, -p

These switches are not supported and are silently ignored.

-u, -l, -i, -l, -R, -r, -v, -V, --enable-updates, --disable-updates, --are-updates-enabled

These switches are not supported and the command will fail if used.

See resolvconf(8) for details on those command line options.

### **EXAMPLES**

Example 1. Retrieve the addresses of the "www.0pointer.net" domain (A and AAAA resource records)

\$ resolvectl query www.0pointer.net

www.0pointer.net: 2a01:238:43ed:c300:10c3:bcf3:3266:da74

85.214.157.71

- -- Information acquired via protocol DNS in 611.6ms.
- -- Data is authenticated: no

Example 2. Retrieve the domain of the "85.214.157.71" IP address (PTR resource record)

\$ resolvectl query 85.214.157.71

85.214.157.71: gardel.0pointer.net

- -- Information acquired via protocol DNS in 1.2997s.
- -- Data is authenticated: no

Example 3. Retrieve the MX record of the "yahoo.com" domain

\$ resolvectl --legend=no -t MX query yahoo.com

yahoo.com. IN MX 1 mta7.am0.yahoodns.net

yahoo.com. IN MX 1 mta6.am0.yahoodns.net

yahoo.com. IN MX 1 mta5.am0.yahoodns.net

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$ resolvectl service xmpp-server. tcp gmail.com
      _xmpp-server._tcp/gmail.com: alt1.xmpp-server.l.google.com:5269 [priority=20, weight=0]
                       173.194.210.125
                       alt4.xmpp-server.l.google.com:5269 [priority=20, weight=0]
                       173.194.65.125
   Example 5. Retrieve a PGP key (OPENPGP resource record)
      $ resolvectl openpgp zbyszek@fedoraproject.org
                  d08ee310438ca124a6149ea5cc21b6313b390dce485576eff96f8722. openpgpkey.fedoraproject.org. IN
OPENPGPKEY
          mQINBFBHPMsBEACeInGYJCb+7TurKfb6wGyTottCDtiSJB310i37/6ZYoelay/5soJjlMyf
          MFQ9T2XNT/0LM6gTa0MpC1st9LnzYTMsT6tzRly1D1UbVl6xw0g0vE5y2Cjk3xUwAynCsSs
    Example 6. Retrieve a TLS key (TLSA resource record)
      $ resolvectl tlsa tcp fedoraproject.org:443
                                                     _443._tcp.fedoraproject.org
                                                                                 IN
                                                                                           TLSA
19400be5b7a31fb733917700789d2f0a2471c0c9d506c0e504c06c16d7cb17c0
          -- Cert. usage: CA constraint
          -- Selector: Full Certificate
          -- Matching type: SHA-256
   "tcp" and ":443" are optional and could be skipped.
SEE ALSO
    systemd(1), systemd-resolved.service(8), systemd.dnssd(5), systemd-networkd.service(8),
    resolvconf(8)
NOTES
    1. DNS-SD
      https://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc6763
    2. SRV
      https://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc2782
    3. RFC 7929
      https://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc7929
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4. RFC 6698

5. Link-Local Multicast Name Resolution

https://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc4795

6. Multicast DNS

https://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc6762.txt

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