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### NAME

avahi-daemon - The Avahi mDNS/DNS-SD daemon

## SYNOPSIS

avahi-daemon [options]

avahi-daemon --kill

avahi-daemon --reload

avahi-daemon --check

## DESCRIPTION

The Avahi mDNS/DNS-SD daemon implements Apple's Zeroconf architecture (also known as "Rendezvous" or "Bonjour"). The daemon registers local IP addresses and static services using mDNS/DNS-SD and provides two IPC APIs for local programs to make use of the mDNS record cache the avahidaemon maintains. First there is the so called "simple protocol" which is used exclusively by avahi-dnsconfd (a daemon which configures uni? cast DNS servers using server info published via mDNS) and nss-mdns (a libc NSS plugin, providing name resolution via mDNS). Finally there is the D-Bus interface which provides a rich object oriented interface to D-Bus enabled applications.

Upon startup avahi-daemon interprets its configuration file /etc/avahi/avahi-daemon.conf and reads XML fragments from /etc/avahi/services/\*.service which may define static DNS-SD services. If you enable publish-resolv-conf-dns-servers in avahi-daemon.conf the file /etc/resolv.conf will be read, too.

#### **OPTIONS**

-f | --file= FILE

Specify the configuration file to read. (default: /etc/avahi/avahi-daemon.conf)

-D | --daemonize

Daemonize after startup. Implies --syslog.

#### -s | --syslog

Log to syslog instead of STDERR. Implied by --daemonize.

--debug

Increase verbosity to debug level.

--no-rlimits

Don't enforce resource limits as specified in the configuration

file. (See setrlimit(2) for more information)

--no-drop-root

Don't drop root privileges after startup and don't require dae?

mon to be started as root. We recommend not to use this option.

#### --no-chroot

Don't chroot(2) the daemon. This option is only available when

compiled with chroot() support.

#### --no-proc-title

Don't change the process name while running. Unless this option

is specified avahi-daemon will reflect its current state and the

selected host name in the process title.

#### -k | --kill

Kill an already running avahi-daemon. (equivalent to sending a

SIGTERM)

Tell an already running avahi-daemon to reread /etc/resolv.conf (in case you enabled publish-resolv-conf-dns-servers in avahidaemon.conf) the files from /etc/avahi/services/. Please note that this will not reload the /etc/avahi/avahi-daemon.conf. (equivalent to sending a SIGHUP)

-c | --check

Return 0 as return code when avahi-daemon is already running.

-h | --help

Show help

-v | --version

Show version information

## FILES

/etc/avahi/avahi-daemon.conf: the default configuration file for avahi-

daemon, avahi-daemon.conf(5) for more information.

/etc/avahi/hosts: additional static hostname mappings to publish in

mDNS, see avahi.hosts(5) for more information.

/etc/avahi/services/\*.service: static service definitions, see

avahi.service(5) for more information.

### SIGNALS

SIGINT, SIGTERM: avahi-daemon will shutdown. (Same as --kill).

SIGHUP: avahi-daemon will reload unicast DNS server data from /etc/re?

solv.conf and static service definitions from /etc/avahi/services/.

(Same as --reload)

SIGUSR1: avahi-daemon will dump local and remote cached resource record

data to syslog.

## AUTHORS

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Avahi is available from http://avahi.org/

## SEE ALSO

 $avahi\mbox{-}daemon.conf(5), \ avahi\mbox{-}hosts(5), \ avahi\mbox{-}service(5), \ avahi\mbox{-}avahi\mbox{-}service(5), \ avahi\mbox{-}avahi\mbox{-}service(5), \ avahi\mbox{-}service(5), \ avahi\mbox{-}servi$ 

dnsconfd(8), avahi-set-host-name(1)

http://avahi.org/wiki/AvahiAndUnicastDotLocal documents the problems

when using Avahi in a unicast DNS zone .local.

## COMMENTS

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