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mDNS introduction

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What's mDNS

mDNS: multicast Domain Name System

Multicast DNS (mDNS) is a protocol that uses packets similar to unicast DNS except sent over a multicast link to resolve hostnames. Each host listens on the mDNS port, 5353, and resolves requests for the DNS record of its .local hostname to its IP address. When an mDNS client needs to resolve a local hostname to an IP address, it sends a DNS request for that name to a well-known multicast address; the computer with the corresponding record replies with its IP address. The mDNS multicast address is 224.0.0.251 for IPv4 and ff02::fb for IPv6 link-local addressing.

It's a zero configuration service.

Zero-configuration networking (zeroconf) is a set of technologies that automatically creates a usable <u>computer network</u> based on the <u>Internet Protocol Suite</u> (TCP/IP) when computers or network peripherals are interconnected. It does not require manual operator intervention or special configuration servers.



How to get it?

- 1. Download mdns code from web server
- 2. According your configuration, modify some files, like toolchain and so on
- 3. Compile this library, and you will get some binary, like this
 - dnsextd
 libdns_sd.so
 libnss_mdns-0.2.so
 mDNSClientPosix
 mdnsd
 mDNSIdentify
 mDNSNetMonitor
 mDNSProxyResponderPosix
 mDNSResponderPosix
- 4. Also you will get an test tool: dns-sd at \$(MDNS_ROOT_DIR)/clients/build/
- 5. Install these libraries to specific directory, like this

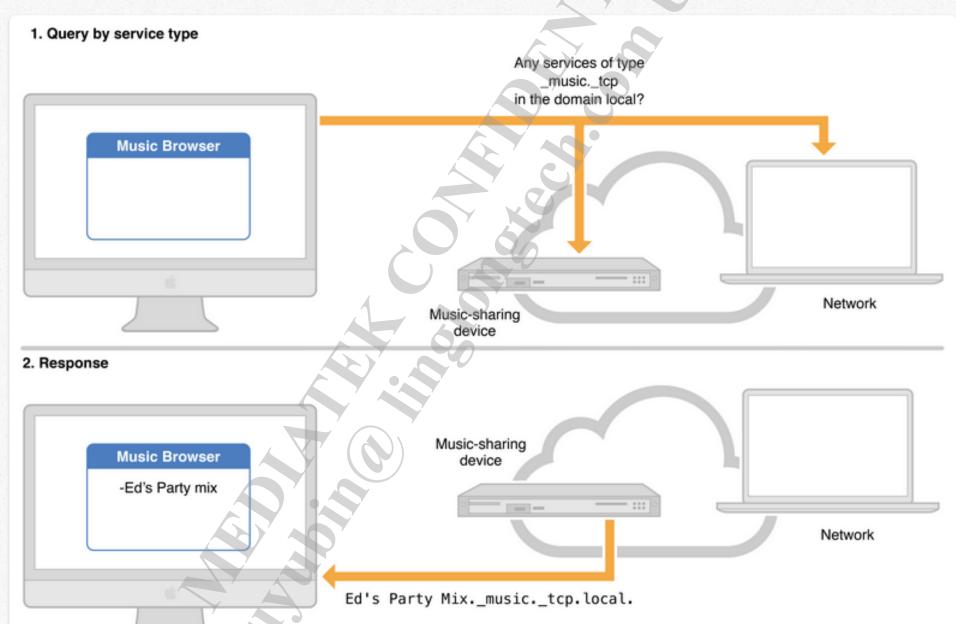
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(usually in /usr/sbin)
mdnsd
libmdns
                         (usually in /usr/lib)
                         (usually in /usr/include)
dns sd.h
                         (e.g. in /etc/rc.d)
startup scripts
                         (usually in /usr/share/man)
manual pages
                         (usually in /usr/bin)
dns-sd tool
                         (usually in /lib)
nss mdns
nss configuration files
                         (usually in /etc)
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What's these libraries

- Mdnsd: multicast dns and service discover daemon program, should start at first
- Libmdnsd: Provide APIs of mdnsd to other module
- dns-sd: Test tool for mDNS and DNS Service Discovery which can use to test whether mdnsd works well
- nss mdns: it's library , which provide to WAC module
- mDNSClientPosix: an executable file which use to test service discovery
- mDNSResponderPosix: an executable file which use to test service publish



mDNS flow(1)

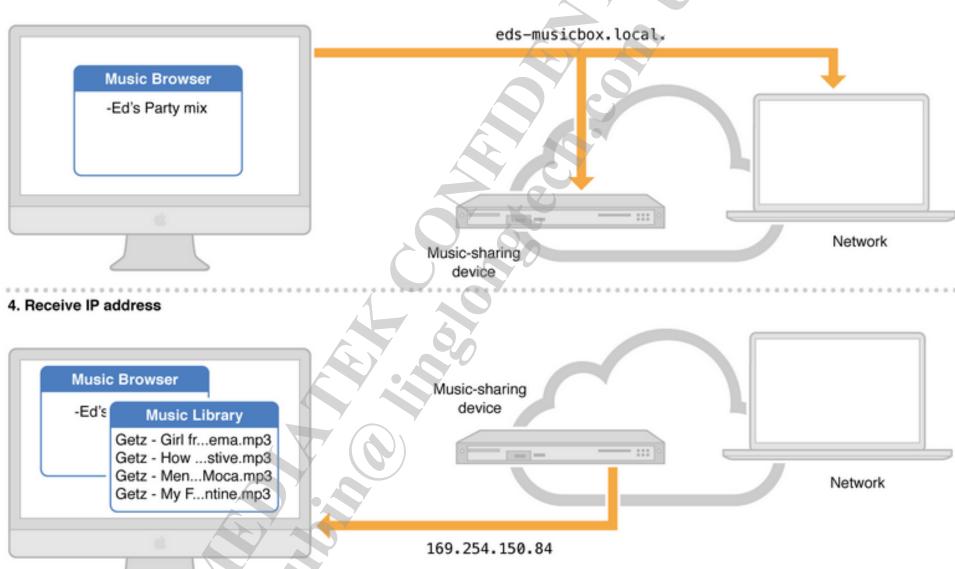


mDNS flow(2)

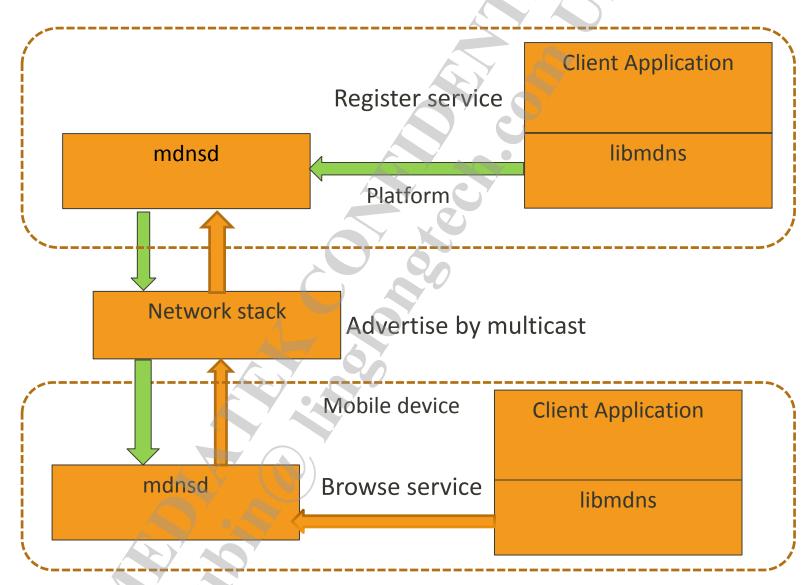
1. Request domain name and port for instance name Ed's Party Mix,_music._tcp.local. **Music Browser** -Ed's Party mix Network Music-sharing device 2. Receive domain name and port Music-sharing **Music Browser** device -Ed's Party mix Network

eds-musicbox.local.:1010

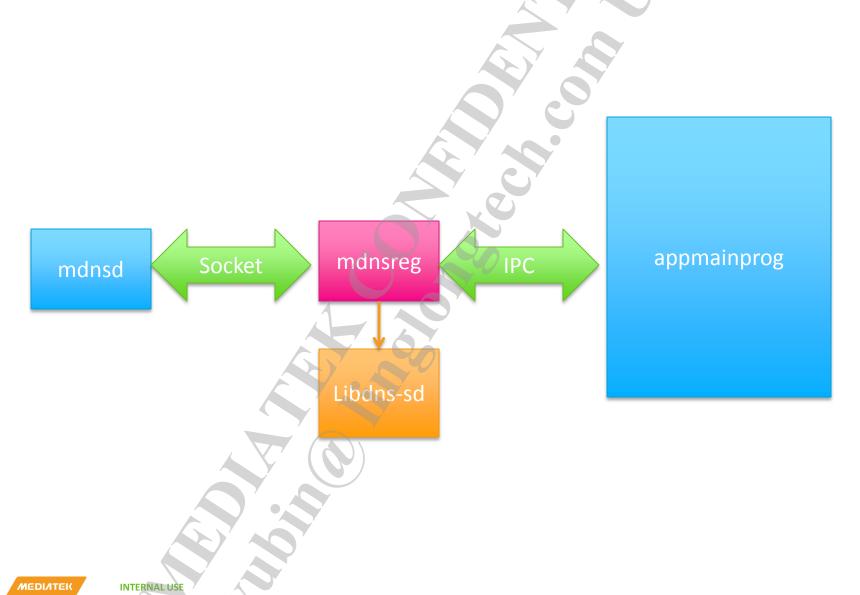
mDNS flow(3)



Mdns module structure

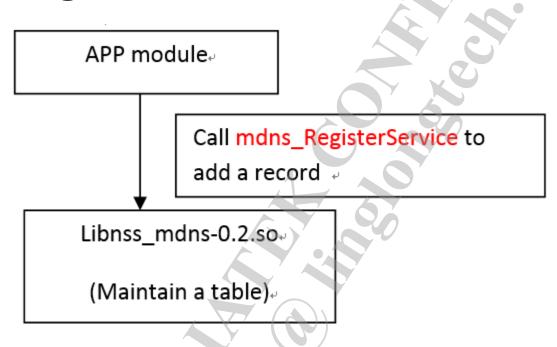


Mdns SW block



Work flow (1/3)

1. Register service



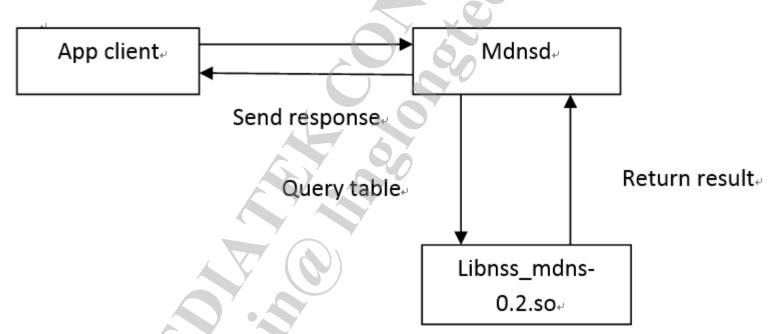


Work flow (2/3)

2. Query service

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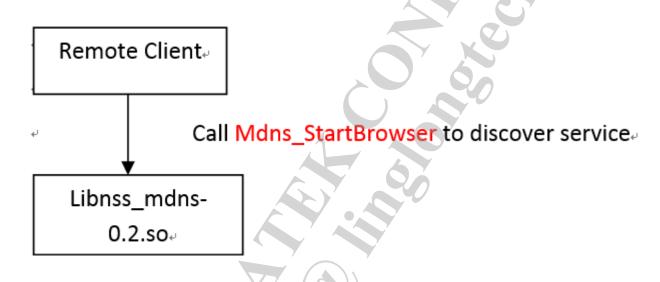
Send query msg





Work flow (3/3)

3. Service discovery





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