

Distributed Delegated Mappings

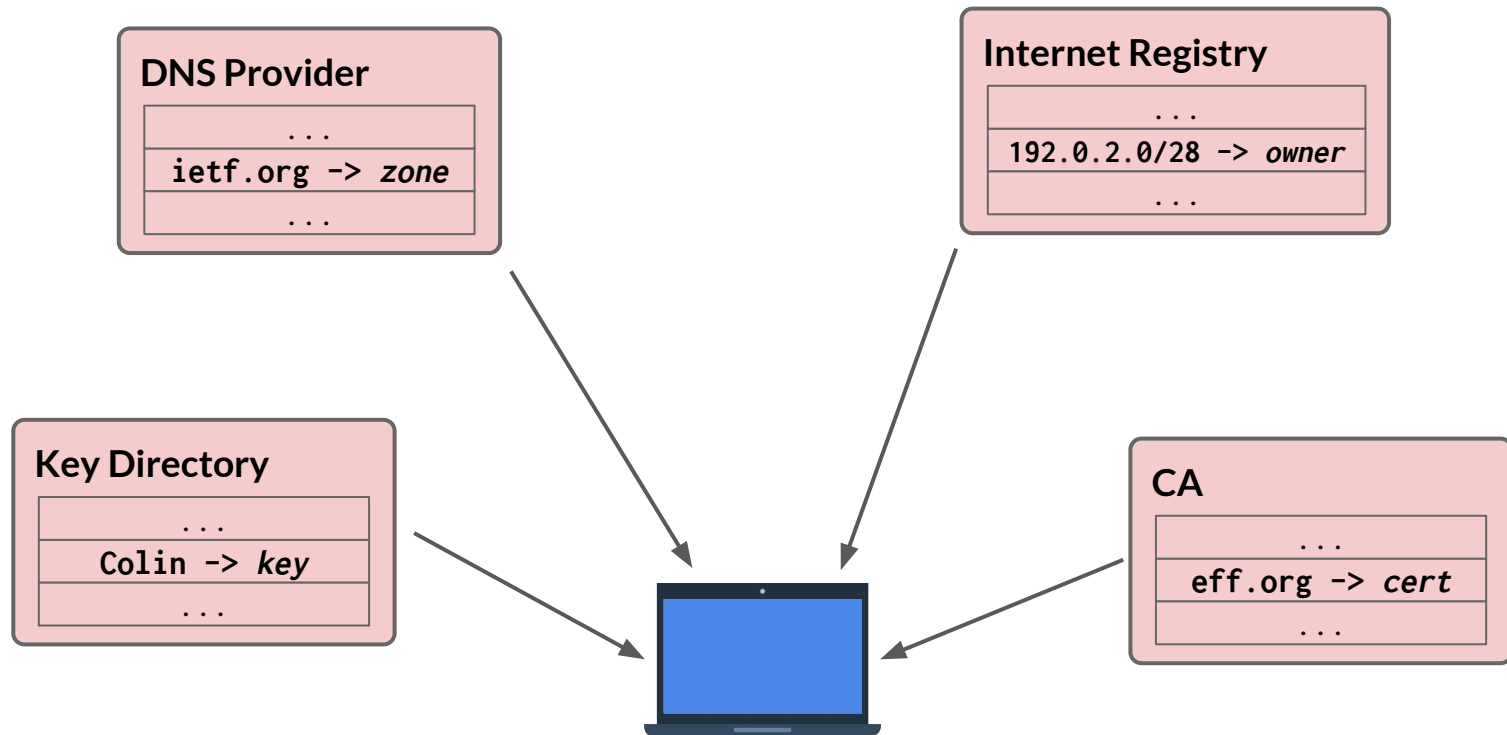
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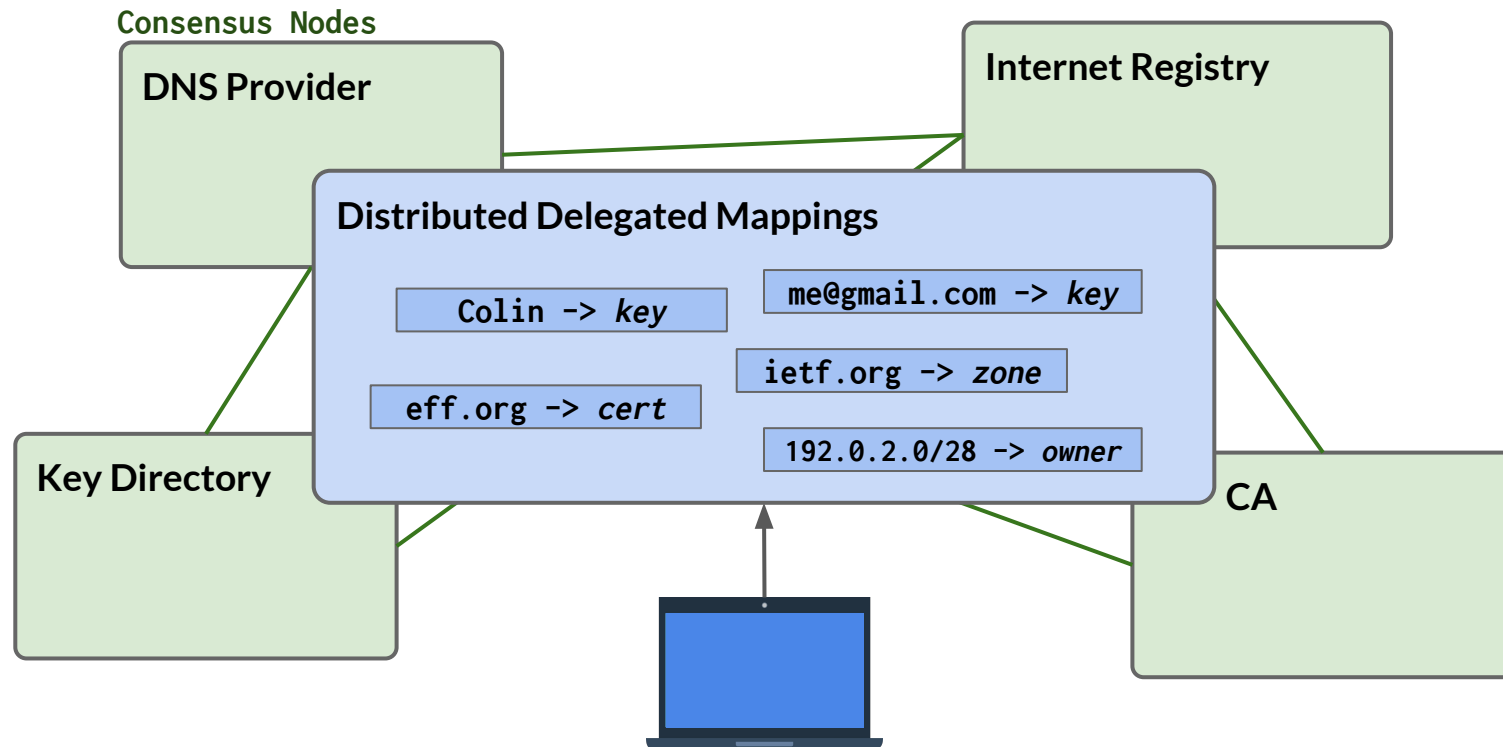
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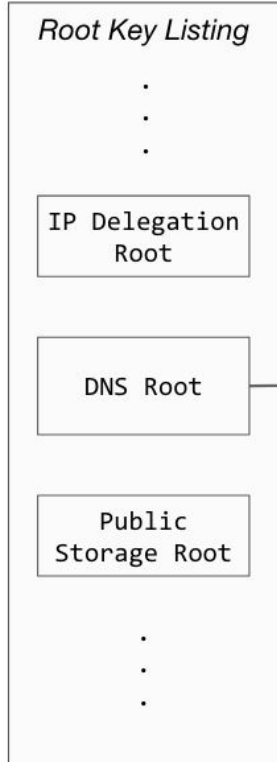
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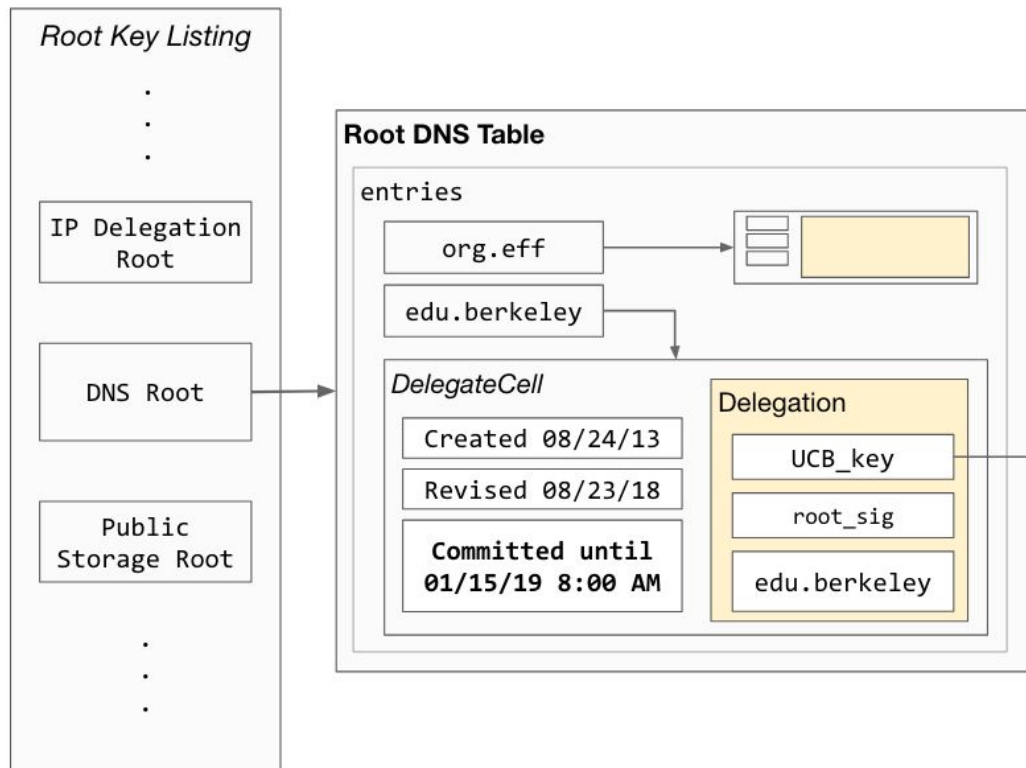
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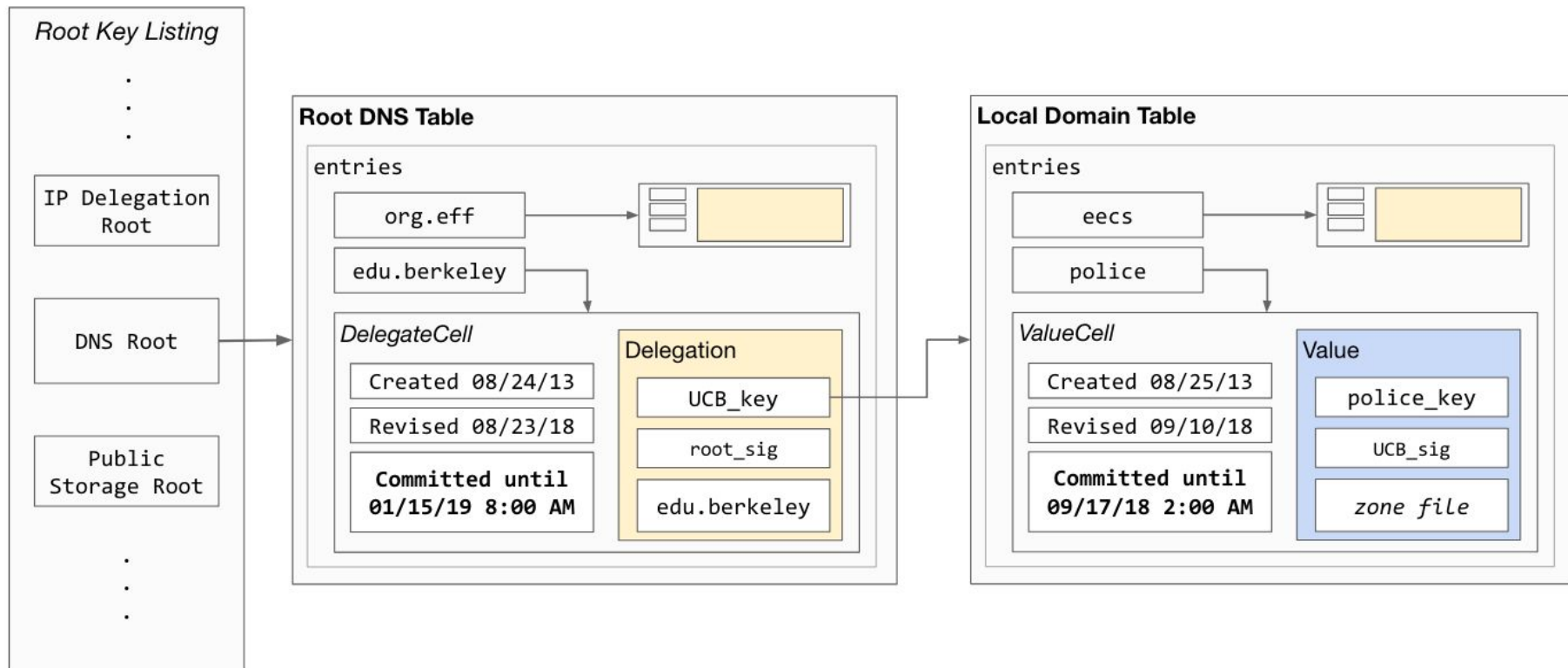
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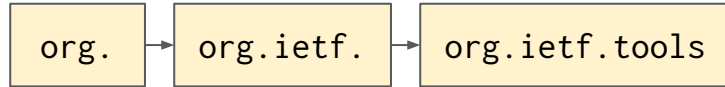
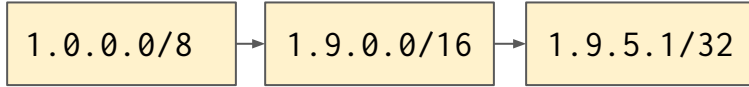


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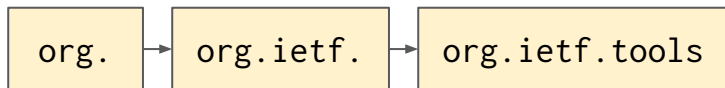
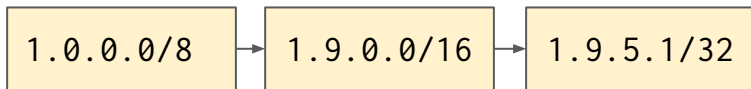


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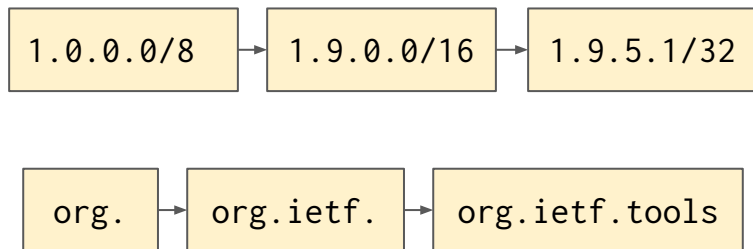


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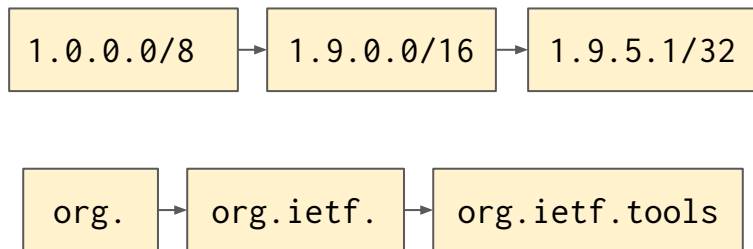


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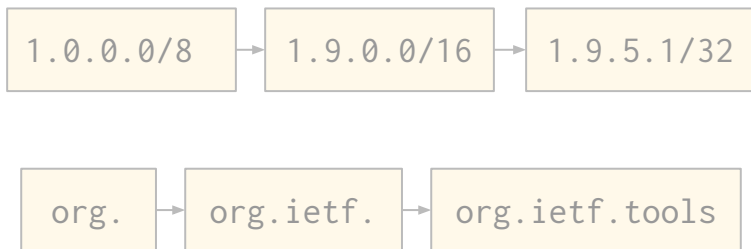
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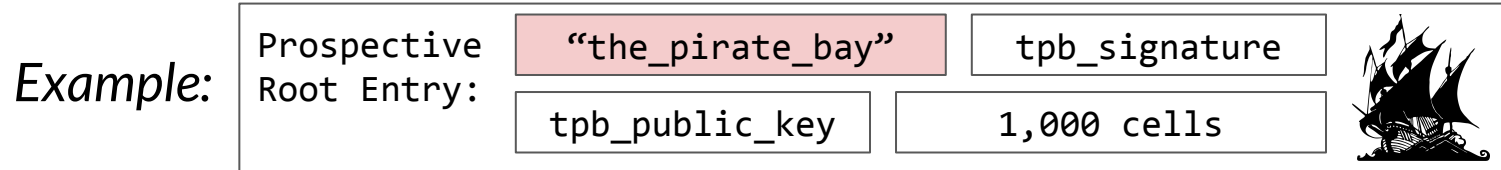
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Voting

- Give consensus nodes agency to vote **for** or **against** significant, valid changes
- Explicit additional requirement for the underlying consensus scheme that is already common for protocol updates:
 - Quorums in slice infrastructures like SCP
 - Bitcoin-style percentage of agreeing blocks over a time window
 - Hard forks

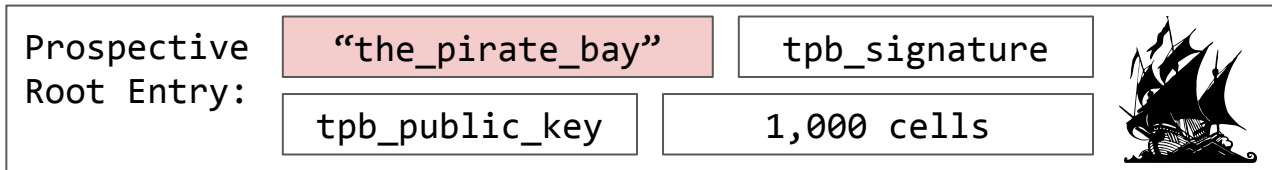
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① Root Application

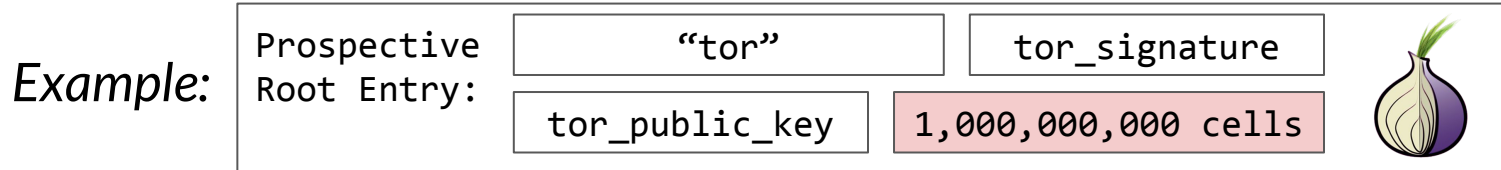


Nodes that disagree with *The Pirate Bay* can vote against the new root.

Potential outcomes:

- Vote on change succeeds → every node accepts that the root listing is updated even if they disagree with the new root’s application
- Vote fails → every node maintains the current listing
- Fundamental disagreement between significant node groups → realistically should not trust consensus relationships moving forward

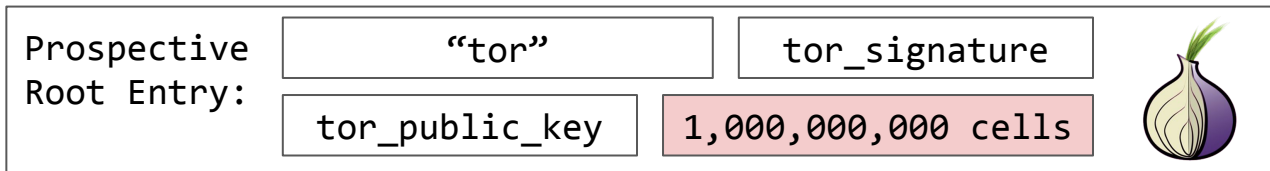
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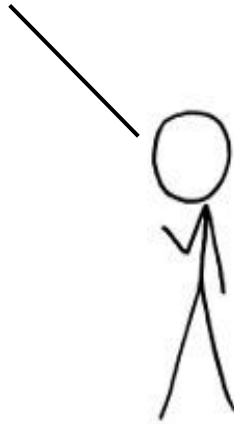
② Resource Consumption



Nodes evaluate resource usage by including explicit structural limits.

- Every node observes the same allowance value, enabling informed votes against new entries that may pose an unreasonable burden
- *Tor* must find large enough set of nodes willing to support 1 billion new cells OR change its request to a smaller, more reasonable value

Questions?



<https://tools.ietf.org/id/draft-watson-dinrg-delmap-01.txt>

