

```
DIY eMail@Home$ tail -f /var/log/mail.log
Feb 3 09:09:29 samchiel postfix/lmtp[26602]: C57A917C0070:
to=<julien@linuxwall.info>, relay=127.0.0.1[127.0.0.1]:5002,
delay=2.6, delays=1.5/0.01/0.04/1.1, dsn=2.6.0, status=sent
(250 2.6.0 <julien@linuxwall.info> Message accepted for delivery)
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samchiel.linuxwall.i

JULIEN VEHENT  
AWEBER  
IRC: J-VE

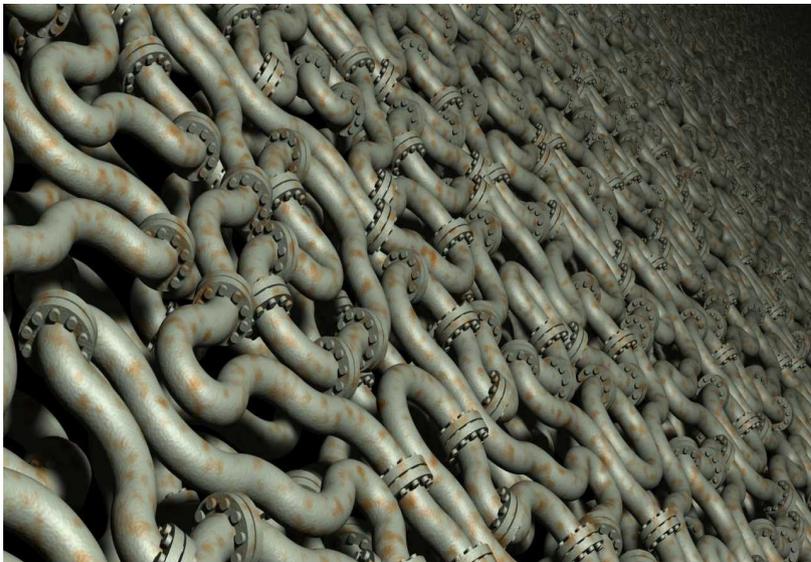
AVO RECOVERY  
DISK  
120min  
4.7GB



# But... I like gmail....



- Privacy concerns...yadda yadda yadda
- 30 years from now, you will want to reread those old emails. Will gmail still exist ?
- This is about Knowledge



← how most people see the Internet

How you do →

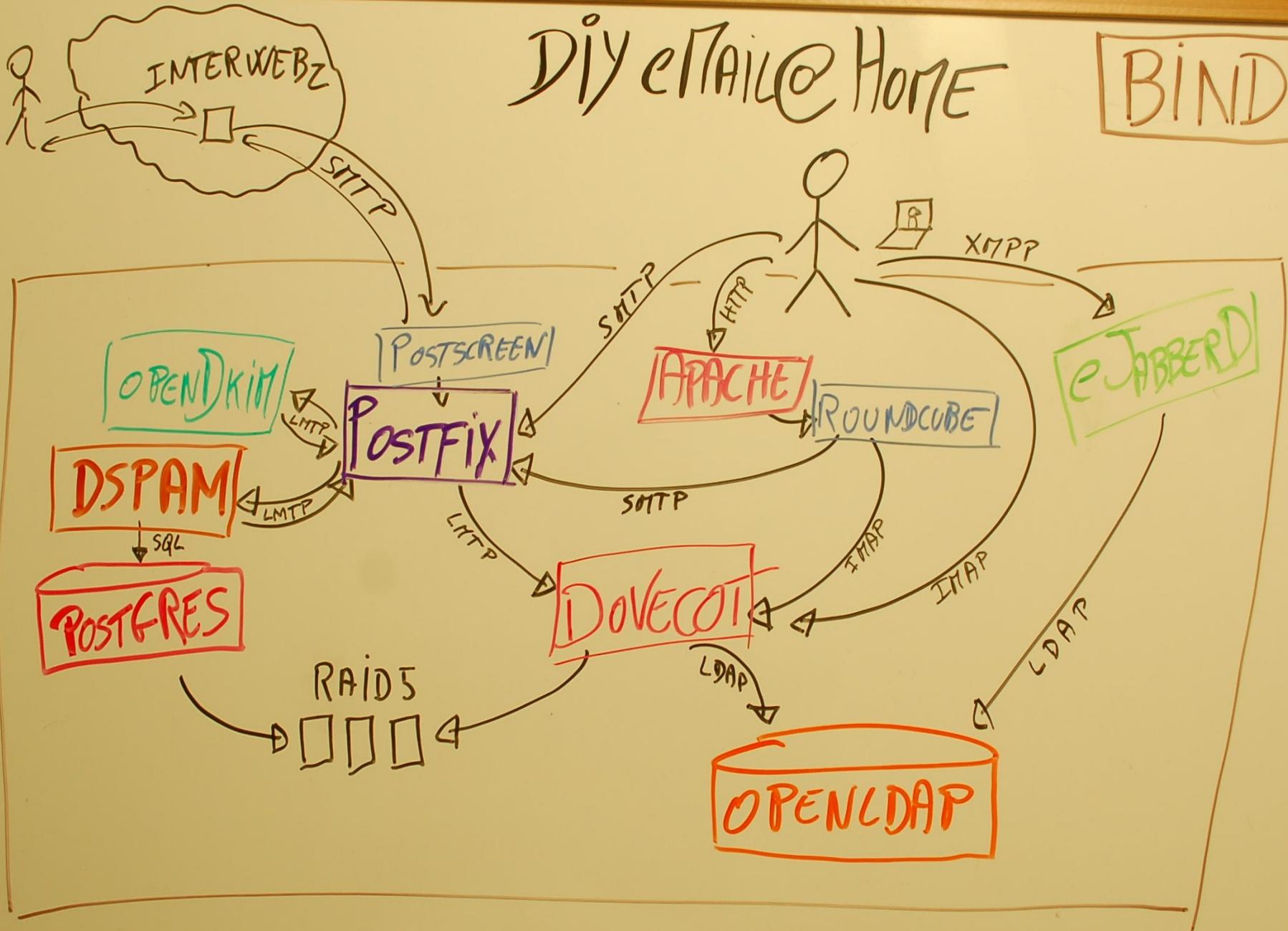


# Can you host your emails at home ?

- No.
- At least, not all of it.
- You need backup SMTP & DNS, SMTP relay on a static IP, and a domain name.
- Cost:
  - SMTP relay: ~\$20/year (dyn.com)
  - Domain: ~\$15/year (gandi.net)
  - Small (atom) server with 2\*2.5" drives: ~\$250

# Diy eMAIL@HOME

BIND



# Step 1: Sending

1. apt-get install postfix

2. echo "yiipy" | mail -s "I can Haz Mail" [julien@linuxwall.info](mailto:julien@linuxwall.info)

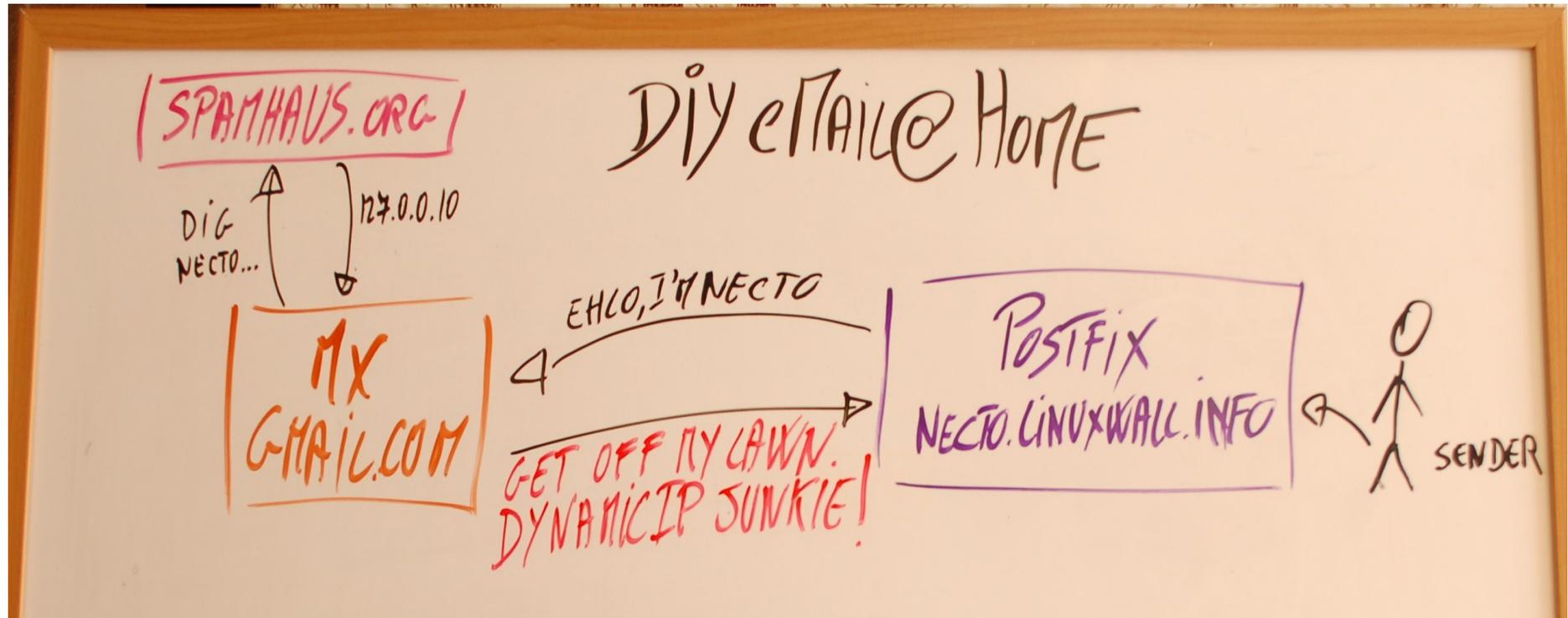
3. Have a beer.

- Sending mail is easy, because postfix handles the DNS resolutions, queuing and sending.
- But most recipients will reject your mail because of your IP reputation.

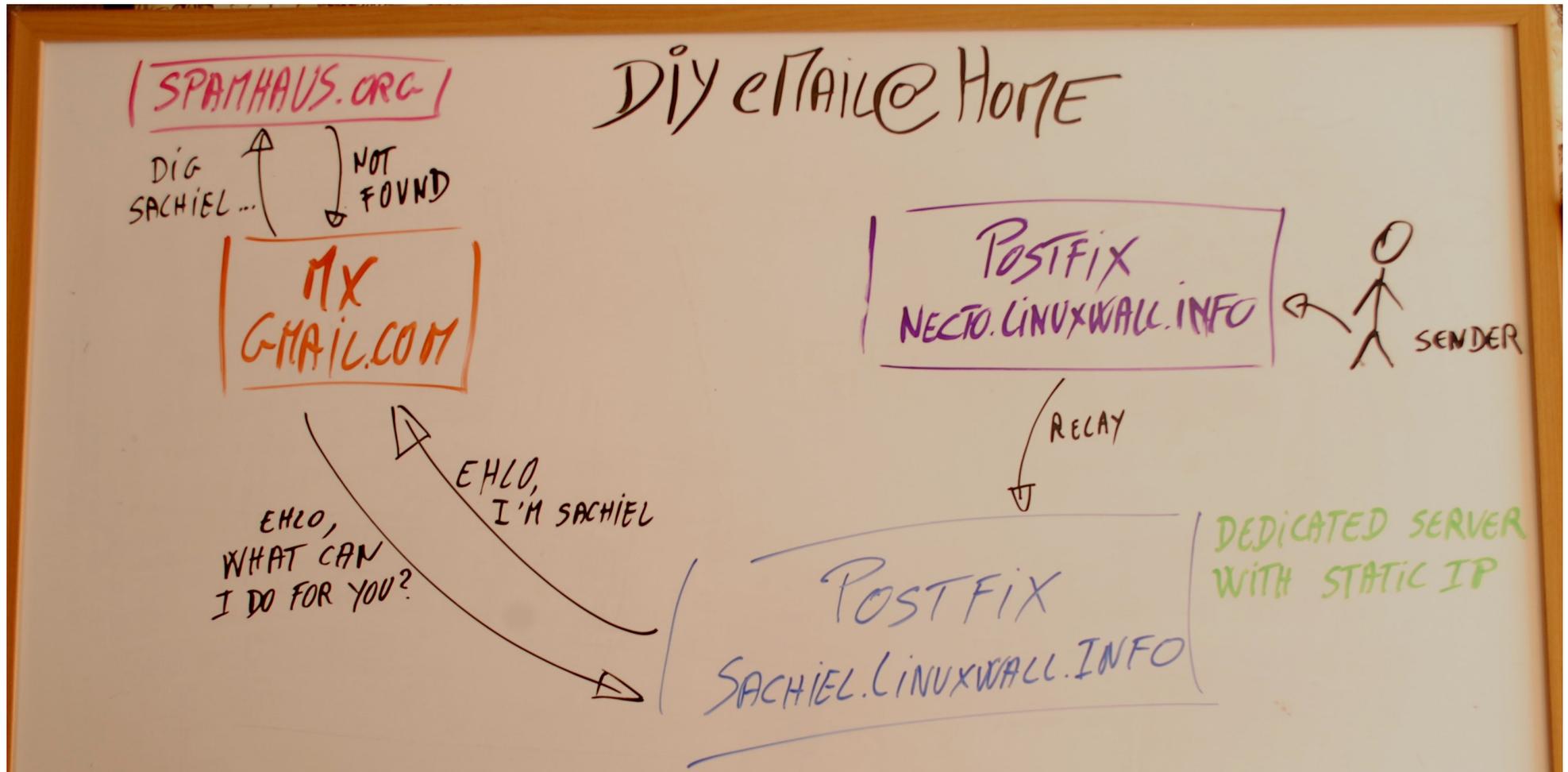
Feb 9 16:55:01 necto postfix/smtp[2538]: 5174341E26: to=<julienv@aweber.com>, relay=mail1.aweber.com[207.106.200.39]:25, delay=0.93, delays=0.09/0/0.68/0.16, dsn=5.0.0, **status=bounced (host mail1.aweber.com[207.106.200.39] said: 550 c-68-80-50-225.hsd1.pa.comcast.net is either part of a dynamic IP range or we have received spam from this domain.** Please see [http://www.aweber.com/email-blocked.htm?reason=rdns\\_id-1002&ip=68.80.50.225](http://www.aweber.com/email-blocked.htm?reason=rdns_id-1002&ip=68.80.50.225) (in reply to RCPT TO command))

# How IP Reputation works

- Real-time Blackhole List (RBLs) flag dynamic IPs from residential ISPs
  - \$ dig +short 225.50.80.68.zen.spamhaus.org
    - 127.0.0.10
- See <http://www.spamhaus.org/faq/section/DNSBL%20Usage#200>



# Step 1.1 : Sending through a relay



- In ``/etc/postfix/main.cf``
  - `relayhost = sachiel.linuxwall.info`
- Reverse DNS matters:
  - `$ dig +short sachiel.linuxwall.info`
    - 88.191.125.180
  - `$ dig +short -x 88.191.125.180`
    - sachiel.linuxwall.info.

# Step 2: Receiving

- Buy a domain
- Declare MX records to point to the public IP(s) of the mail server(s)
- When receiving emails:
  - You don't have to worry about the IP reputation (DNSBL, static vs dynamic IP)
  - You can change the DNS records as you please (just be careful with the TTLs)
  - You may, or may not, receive a lot of spam/bot traffic
  - If your MX is configured as an open relay, you're toast

# Diy eMail@Home



WHERE SHOULD I SEND EMAIL FOR LINUXWALL.INFO?  
Q DNS  
A TO THESE GENTLEMEN: - SMTP.LINUXWALL.INFO  
- SMTP2.LINUXWALL.INFO

BIND

EHLO! I HAVE EMAIL FOR...  
Q SMTP  
A GET OFF MY LAWN!!!

POSTFIX  
SMTP.LINUXWALL.INFO

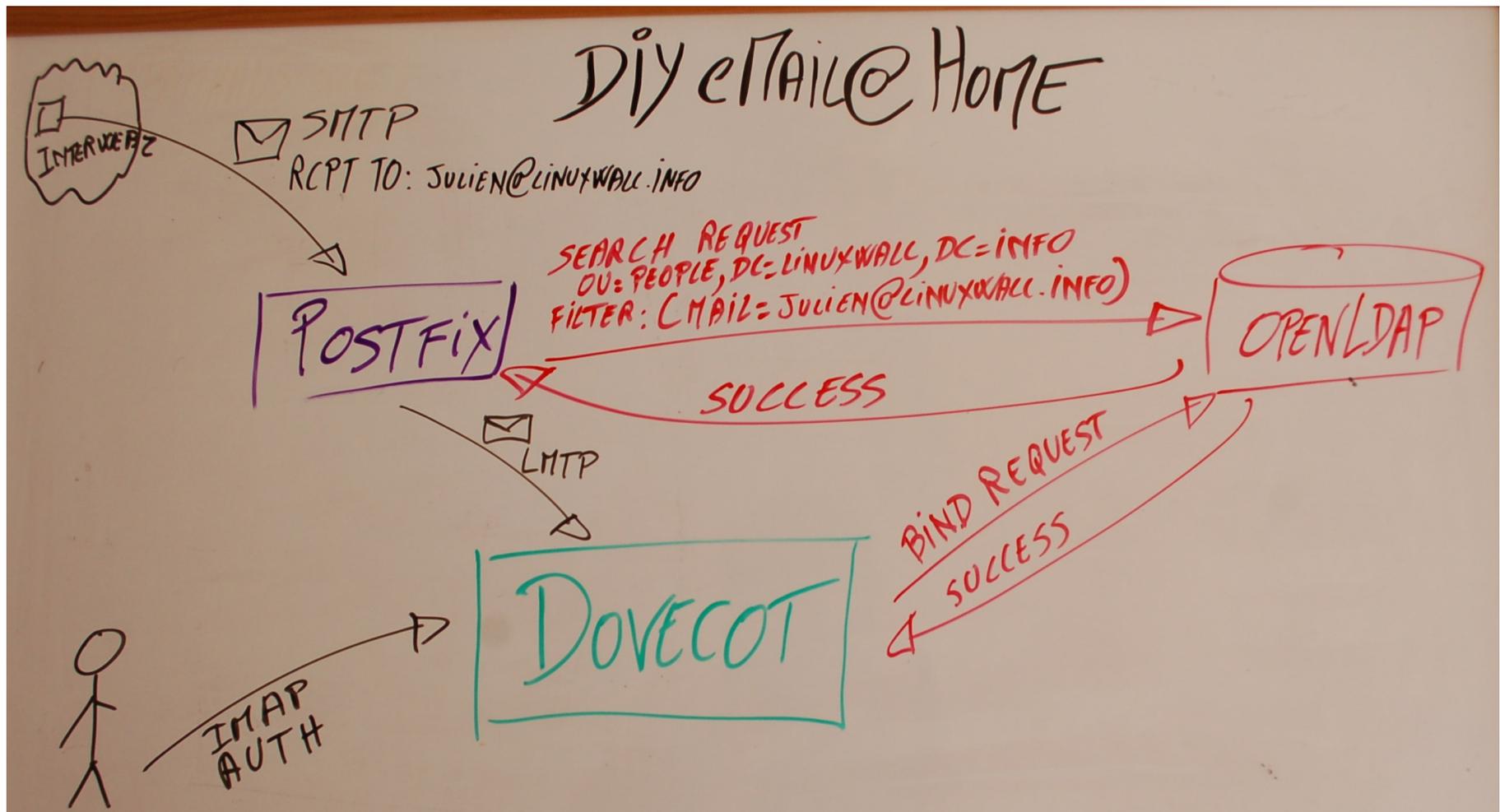
S  
M  
T  
P  
EHLO! I HAVE EMAIL FOR...  
PLEASE! DO SEND!  
GREAT! IT'S FROM BOB@GMAIL.COM  
Q OK  
TO JULIEN@LINUXWALL.INFO  
Q OK

POSTFIX  
SMTP2.LINUXWALL.INFO

AND IT SAYS "DEAR JULIEN, I TRVELY LOVED YOUR TALK ON  
DIY EMAIL@HOME  
AND REALLY THINK  
I SHOULD BUY YOU A  
BEER SOMETIMES...  
CHEERS, BOB!

# Step 3: Users mailboxes

- Users are stored in LDAP. Postfix & Dovecot query LDAP for each access.



# LDIF user definition

dn: cn=Bob Kelso,ou=people,dc=linuxwall,dc=info

uid: bob

uidNumber: 10002

gidNumber: 998

sn: Kelso

cn: Bob Kelso

homeDirectory: /dev/null

objectClass: posixAccount

objectClass: top

objectClass: inetOrgPerson

objectClass: organizationalPerson

objectClass: person

mail: bob@linuxwall.info

userPassword: {SSHA}MJ.....RR74

```
# ldapadd -h 127.0.0.1 -p 389
```

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-D "cn=admin,dc=linuxwall,dc=info"
```

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-W -f /root/bob.ldif
```

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Enter LDAP Password:
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adding new entry "cn=Bob  
Kelso,ou=people,dc=linuxwall,dc=info"
```

# Postfix LDAP lookups

- **For Incoming email only (not local user auth)**

```
# grep ldap /etc/postfix/main.cf
```

```
local_recipient_maps = ldap:/etc/postfix/ldap_recipient_map.cf,  
$alias_maps
```

```
# cat /etc/postfix/ldap_recipient_map.cf
```

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server_host = localhost
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server_port = 389
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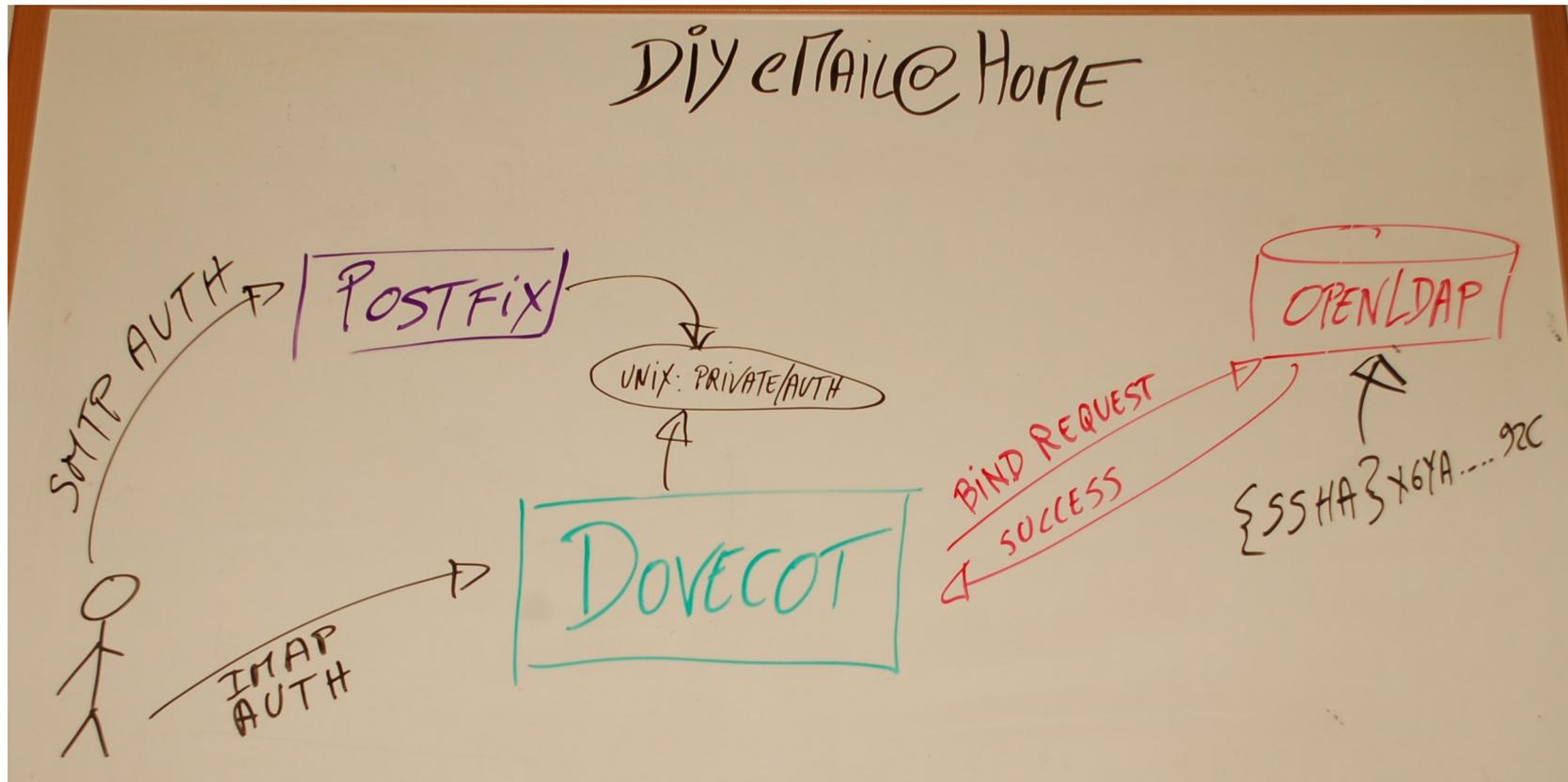
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search_base = ou=people,dc=linuxwall,dc=info
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query_filter = (mail=%s)
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result_attribute = mail
```

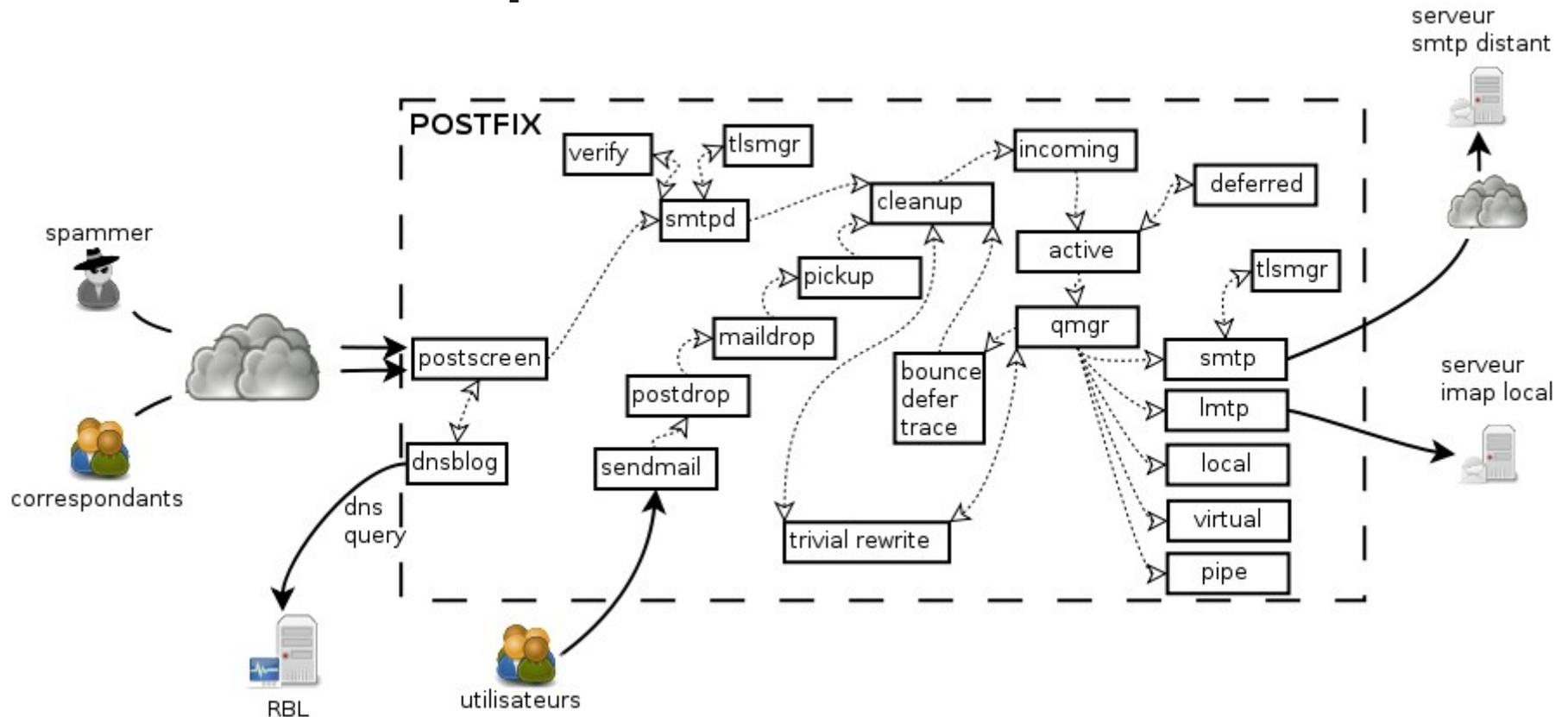
# User Authentication (Postfix & Dovecot)

- LDAP stores hashed passwords (SSHA)
- Dovecot connects to LDAP
- Postfix connects to Dovecot



# SPAM !

## Step 1: Postscreen



- `$ nc 192.168.1.249 25`

220-Welcome. Please wait to be seated

220 necto.localdomain ESMTP Postfix (Debian/GNU)

# Postscreen enforces clean SMTP and blocks everything else, such as bots

```
# Postscreen configuration
```

```
postscreen_access_list = cidr:/etc/postfix/postscreen_access.cidr
```

```
postscreen_blacklist_action = enforce
```

```
postscreen_dnsbl_sites =
```

```
zen.spamhaus.org*3
```

```
dnsbl.njabl.org*2
```

```
bl.spameatingmonkey.net*2
```

```
dnsbl.ahbl.org
```

```
bl.spamcop.net
```

```
dnsbl.sorbs.net
```

```
postscreen_dnsbl_threshold = 3
```

```
postscreen_dnsbl_action = enforce
```

```
postscreen_greet_banner = Bienvenue et merci  
d'attendre qu'on vous assigne une place  
postscreen_greet_action = enforce  
postscreen_pipelining_enable = yes  
postscreen_pipelining_action = enforce  
postscreen_non_smtp_command_enable = yes  
postscreen_non_smtp_command_action = enforce  
postscreen_bare_newline_enable = yes  
postscreen_bare_newline_action = enforce
```

# Plenty of logs, to generate maps from

<https://github.com/jvehent/Postscreen-Stats>

## Postscreen Map of Blocked IPs



# SPAM !

## Step 2: DSPAM

<http://wiki.linuxwall.info/doku.php/en:ressources:dossiers:dspam>

- Breaks down emails into tokens, and assigns a spam probability to each token

“Heute Abend war ich mit meiner Freundin im Kino und habe viel gelacht”

TOKEN: ‘mit’ CRC: 5158417007107899392

TOKEN: ‘ich+mit’ CRC: 5158416839735805488

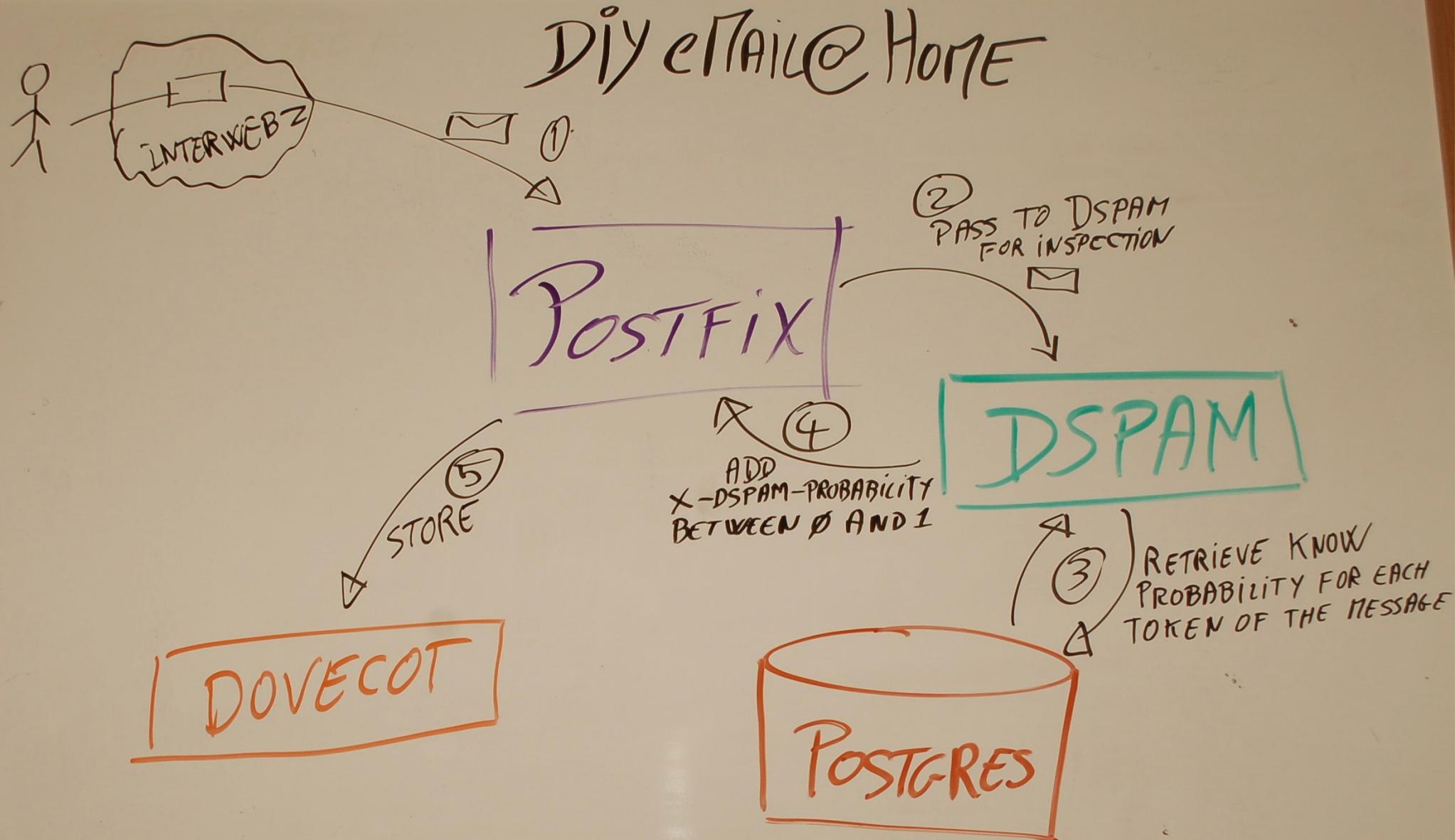
TOKEN: ‘war+#+mit’ CRC: 15707817493435847227

TOKEN: ‘war+ich+mit’ CRC: 6905336139605378569

TOKEN: ‘Abend+#+#+mit’ CRC: 5482652074219693289

TOKEN: ‘Abend+#+ich+mit’ CRC: 2006454003823721484

# DSPAM doesn't accept or drop it simply calculates a probability



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X-DSPAM-Result: Spam

X-DSPAM-Processed: Fri Feb 8 15:08:25 2013

X-DSPAM-Confidence: 0.9984

X-DSPAM-Improbability: 1 in 64201 chance of being ham

X-DSPAM-Probability: 1.0000

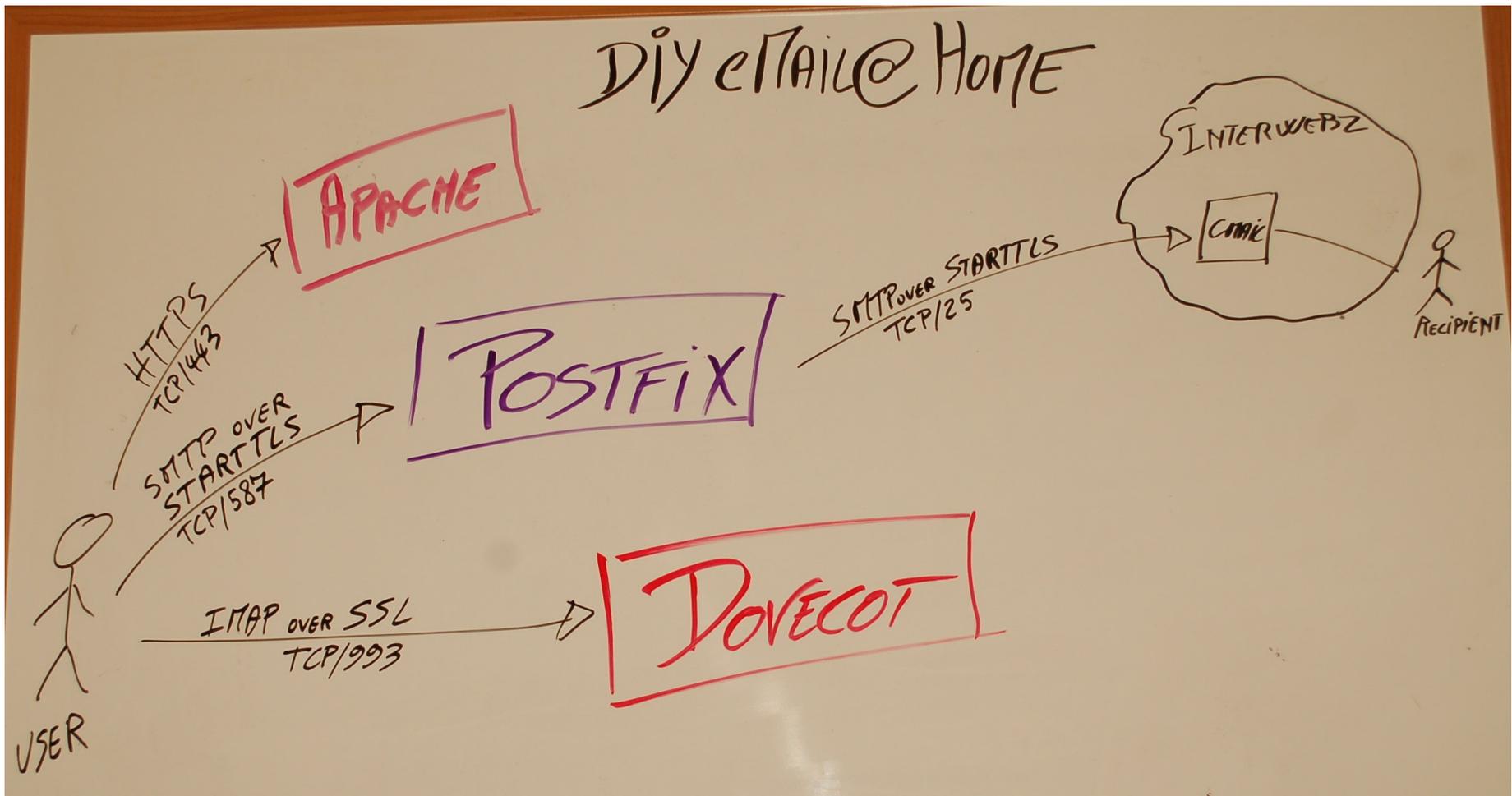
X-DSPAM-Signature: 51155b39130198027420682

X-DSPAM-Factors: 15,

com+ATTENDEE, 0.99872, SEQUENCE+0, 0.99872, RSVP+TRUE, 0.99872,  
BEGIN+#+DTSTART, 0.99867, VCALENDAR+PRODID, 0.99867,  
BEGIN+#+PRODID, 0.99867, TRUE+mailto, 0.99862, X+#+CDO, 0.99862,  
X+#+#+INTENDEDSTATUS, 0.99862, mailto+#+#+#+ATTENDEE, 0.99862,  
RSVP+#+mailto, 0.99862, MICROSOFT+#+INTENDEDSTATUS, 0.99862,  
X+MICROSOFT, 0.99862, CDO+INTENDEDSTATUS,  
0.99862, **TRUE+#+#+#+com, 0.99862**

# Security: SSL/TLS everywhere

- STARTTLS upgrades an existing TCP connections to SSL
- Most MX support it, inbound and outbound



# Security: SSL/TLS everywhere

# STARTTLS client options

smtp\_use\_tls = yes

smtp\_tls\_note\_starttls\_offer = yes

smtp\_tls\_loglevel = 1

# TLS server options

smtpd\_tls\_security\_level = may

smtpd\_tls\_auth\_only = yes

smtpd\_tls\_key\_file = /etc/postfix/certs/smtp.key

smtpd\_tls\_cert\_file = /etc/postfix/certs/smtp.pem

smtpd\_tls\_CAfile = /etc/postfix/certs/ca.crt

smtpd\_tls\_mandatory\_protocols = !SSLv2

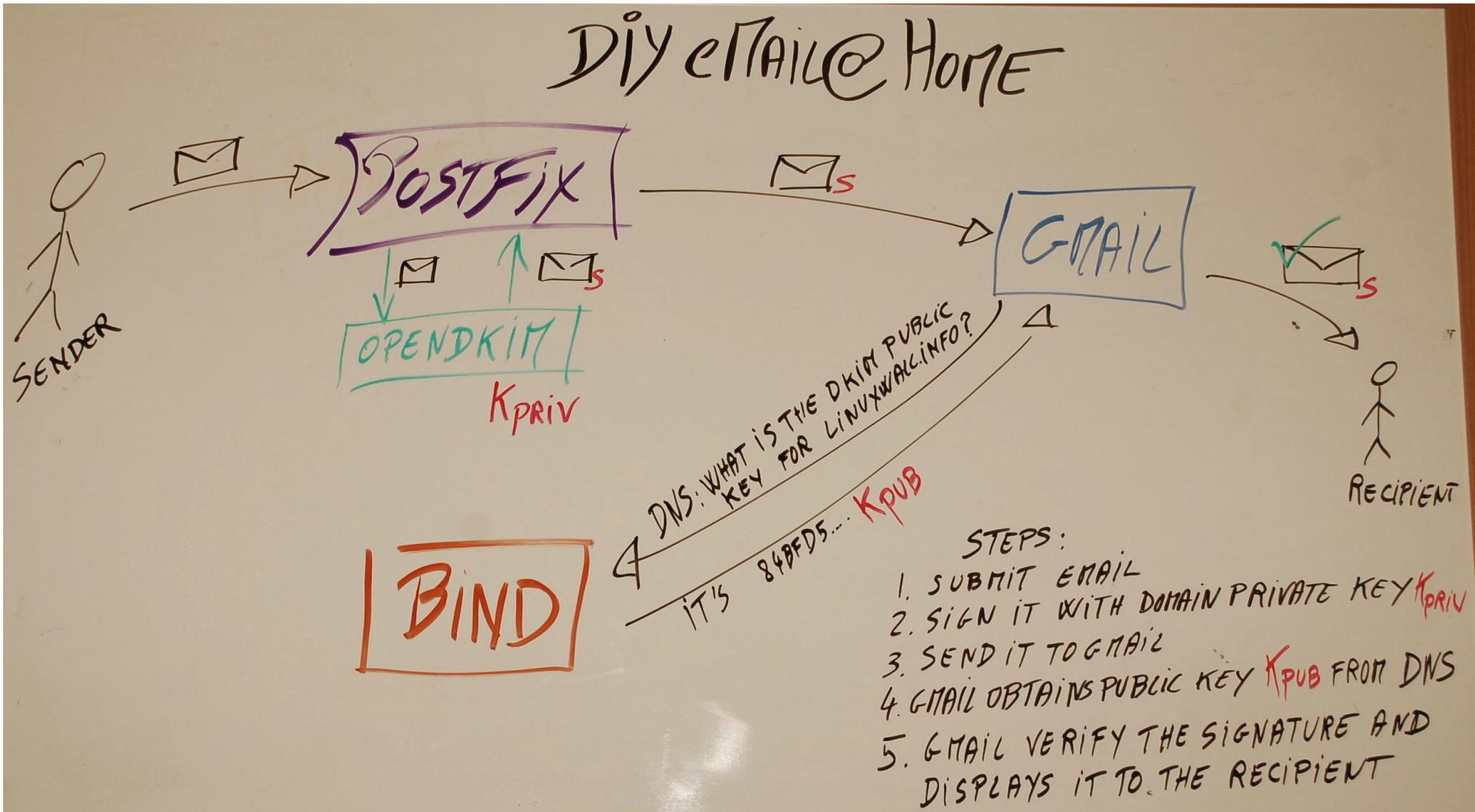
smtpd\_tls\_mandatory\_ciphers = high

smtpd\_tls\_mandatory\_exclude\_ciphers = aNULL, MD5

# Security: DKIM

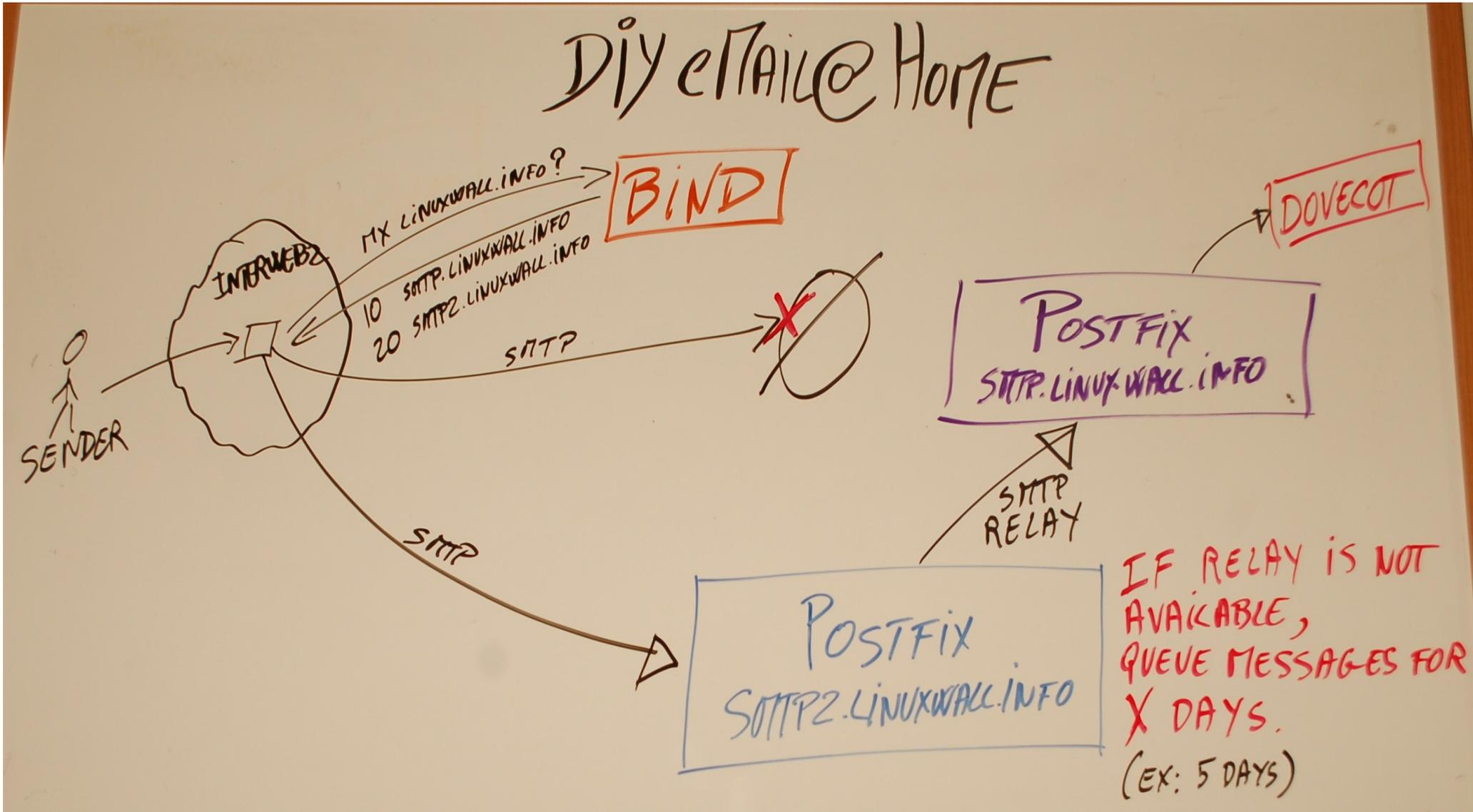
<http://wiki.linuxwall.info/doku.php/en:ressources:dossiers:postfix:dkimproxy>

DKIM-Signature: v=1; a=rsa-sha256;c=relaxed/relaxed;d=gmail.com;s=gamma;  
h=domainkey-signature:mime-version:received:date:message-id:subject:from:to:  
content-type;bh=+h+GzK7.....=



# Surviving outages with a backup MX

```
# postconf -v maximal_queue_lifetime  
maximal_queue_lifetime = 5d
```



# Configuration is documented at

<http://wiki.linuxwall.info/doku.php/en:ressources:dossiers:nectux>