`rev-srv:`

considered useless

Phase-Out Plan for the `rev-srv:` attribute

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Old Sins

```
inetnum:        192.48.224.0 - 192.48.224.255
netname:        NETCS-NET
descr:          ISOCOR GmbH, Berlin
country:        DE
admin-c:        SK120
tech-c:         SK120
rev-srv:        door.netcs.com
rev-srv:        kiste.netcs.com
rev-srv:        ns.nic.de
status:         ASSIGNED PI
mnt-by:         DE-COLT-MNT
changed:        piet@cwi.nl 19910205
changed:        rv@Informatik.Uni-Dortmund.DE 19940605
```

Redundancy ...

```
domain:         224.48.192.in-addr.arpa
descr:          netCS Informationstechnik GmbH
descr:          Feuerbachstrasse 47/49
descr:          D-1000 Berlin 41
admin-c:        CS3247-RIPE
tech-c:         CS3247-RIPE
zone-c:         CS3247-RIPE
nserver:        DOOR.NETCS.COM
nserver:        NS.NIC.DE
nserver:        BUNT.NETCS.COM
mnt-by:         DE-COLT-MNT
mnt-lower:      DE-COLT-MNT
changed:        er-transfer@ripe.net 20050218
```

Observations

- (examples picked randomly – want to remain friends :-)

- (some) inetnum objects carry `rev-srv:` attributes

- domain objects really control content of reverse zones

- `rev-srv:` and `nserver:` may be inconsistent

- `rev-srv:` content has no consequences

- . . . except confusion

More Observations

- `rev-srv:` does appear in old inetnums

- ...but more frequently in objects modified the last two years

- so, it's *not just* legacy

- roughly 90.000 objects with `rev-srv:`

- top five maintainers account for majority of affected objects

- (Katie) asked some maintainers: *oh, that was hard coded*

Action Plan

1. raise awareness

   - spread news (almost done)

   - inform maintainers, ask to remove

   - set dates for migration

2. deprecate `rev-srv:`

   - refuse updates or creation of inetnum/inet6num with `rev-srv:`

3. remove `rev-srv:`

   - remove remaining `rev-srv:` attributes in inetnum/inet6num objects

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