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Part 5: FTP More about this course about Internet application protocols can be found at URL:

http://www.dsv.su.se/jpalme/internet-course/Int-app-prot-kurs.html

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File Transfer Protocol (FTP)

- Login on the client computer.
- Establish a connection between two hosts.
- Log in, using password, on an account at the server.
- Can then perform commands to list files, change directory, send and retrieve files but only files accessible to that account at that server.

FTP file types

Only the formats in italics below are in reality usually used today:

File type:

ASCII, EBCDIC, Image (Binary),

Local (transforms byte sizes)

Format:

Nonprint, Telnet vertical format control, Fortran carriage control

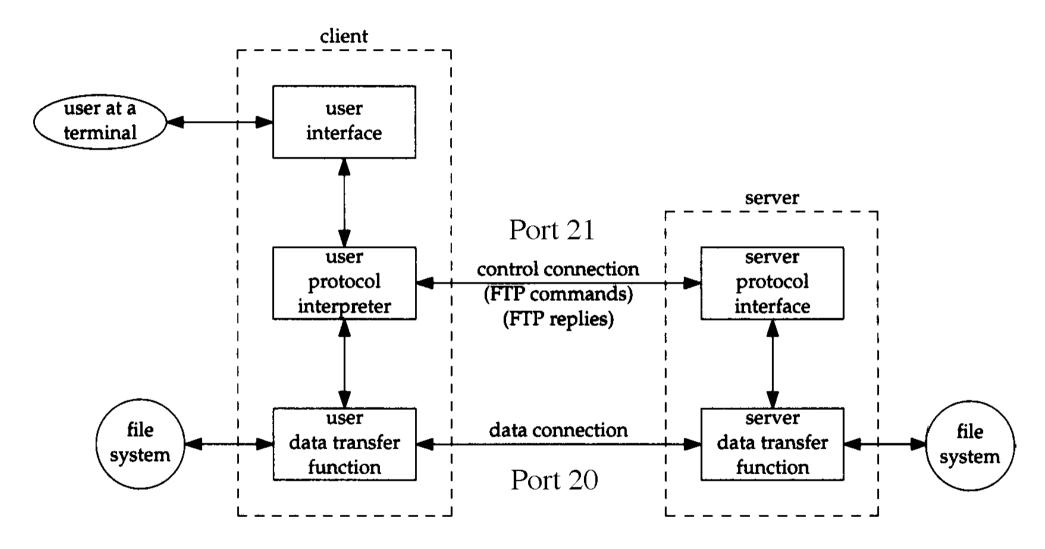
Structure:

Continuous stream of bytes, record structure, page structure (historical)

Transmission mode:

Stream, Block, Compressed (very simple run length compression)

FTP architecture channels and ports



Picture from Stevens: TCP/IP Illustrated, volume 1 page 420

Some FTP commands

Command	Description	
RETRIEVE (RETR)	Transfer a file from the server to the client	
STORE (STOR)	Transfer a file from the client to the server.	
STORE UNIQUE (STOU)	Transfer a file from the client to the server, give it a new unique name on the server.	
APPEND (APPE)	Transfer a file from the client to the server, if the file already exists, append the file at the end of the existing file.	
RESTART (REST)	Start transfer from a checkpoint of the file instead of from the start, applies to the immediately following transfer command.	
RENAME FROM (RNFR)	Old path name of a file to be renamed.	
RENAME TO (RNTO)	New path name of a file to be renamed	
ABORT (ABOR)	Abort the previous FTP service command.	
DELETE (DELE)	Delete a file at the server.	
REMOVE DIRECTORY (RMD)	Remove a directory at the server.	
MAKE DIRECTORY (MKD)	Create a directory at the server.	
LIST (LIST)	List the files in a directory in the server.	

FTP error codes

Help message for human user

Cannot open data connection

Unimplemented MODE type

Syntax error, unrecognized

command

Username OK, password required

Syntax error, invalid arguments

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First digit:		Seco	Second digit:		
1yz	Preliminary positive	x0z	Syntax error		
2yz	Positive	x1z	Information		
3yz	Positive intermediate	x2z	Connection control		
4yz	Transient negative	x3z	Authentication, accounting (login)		
5yz	Permant negative	x4z	Unspecified		
		x5z	Filesystem status		
Exa	mples:				
125	Data connection open, transfer				
	starting				
200	Command OK				

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Anonymous FTP

User name: Anonymous

Password: <your e-mail address>

Access: Restricted access to public files only

Example of an FTP dialogue with the UNIX line-oriented user interface

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/home/ester/dsv/dsv-jp> <a href="mailto:fitth:se">ftth:ftth:se</a>
Connected to sunic.sunet.se.

220 sunic.sunet.se FTP server (Version wu-2.4(3) Sun Oct 1 17:47:58
MET 1995) ready.

Name (sunic.sunet.se:jpalme): <a href="mailto:anonymous">anonymous</a>
331 Guest login ok, send your complete e-mail address as password.

Password: <a href="mailto:jpalme@dsv.su.se">jpalme@dsv.su.se</a>
230 Guest login ok, access restrictions apply.

ftp> <a href="mailto:cd">cd rfc</a>
250 CWD command successful.

ftp> <a href="mailto:dir">dir</a>
200 PORT command successful.

150 Opening ASCII mode data connection for /bin/ls.
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total 76779
-rw-r--r-- 1 root.
                     wheel
                                62646 Jan 7 1996 cache
-rw-r--r-- 1 root
                     wheel
                                262206 Jan 4 1996 .cache+
                     wheel
drwxr-xr-x 2 root
                                  512 Jul 20 04:10 .cap
-rw-r--r 1 root
                     daemon
                                 74112 Jul 31 04:10 .mirror
                     daemon
-rw-r--r-- 1 root
                                  116 Nov 6 1995 .rfc-index
drwxr-xr-x 2 1625
                     daemon
                                  512 Mar 7 13:09 waisindexes
                     wheel
-r--r-- 1 root
                                 6319 Jul 29 19:25 fyi-index.txt
drwxr-xr-x 2 root
                     wheel
                                  512 Nov 8 1995 rfc-editor
                     wheel
                                267821 Jul 30 16:14 rfc-index.txt
-r--r-- 1 root
                     daemon
                                   11 Apr 27 04:11 rfc-instructions.txt
1rwxrwxrwx 1 root
                                                   \rightarrow rfc1543.txt
-r--r-- 1 root
                     wheel
                                 12062 Mar 23 15:30 rfc-retrieval.txt
-r--r-- 1 root
                     wheel
                                 12056 Jan 13 1996 rfc-retrieval.txt~
-r--r-- 1 root
                     wheel
                                 3348 Oct 15 1992 rfc10.txt
                     wheel
                                315315 Oct 15 1992 rfc1000.txt
-r--r-- 1 root
ftp> get rfc1933.txt
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200 PORT command successful.

150 Opening ASCII mode data connection for rfc1933.txt (47005 bytes).

226 Transfer complete.

local: rfc1933.txt remote: rfc1933.txt

48240 bytes received in 0.2 seconds (2.4e+02 Kbytes/s)

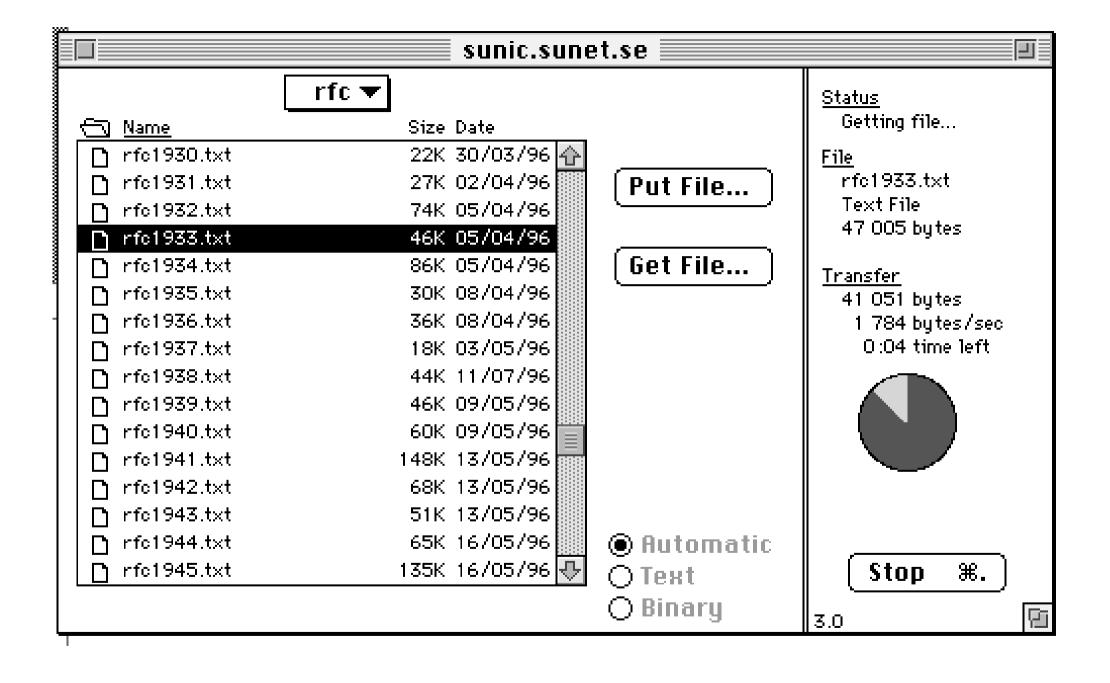
ftp> help Commands may be abbreviated. Commands are:

!	cr	macdef	proxy	send
\$	delete	mdelete	sendport	status
account	debug	mdir	put	struct
append	dir	mget	pwd	sunique
ascii	disconnect	mkdir	quit	tenex
bell	form	mls	quote	trace
binary	get	mode	recv	type
bye	glob	mput	remotehelp	user
case	hash	nmap	rename	verbose
cd	help	ntrans	reset	?
cdup	lcd	open	rmdir	
close	ls	prompt	runique	

Example of an FTP dialogue using a custom graphical program

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New Connection				
Enter host name, userid, and password (or choose from the shortcut menu):				
Host:	sunic.sunet.se			
User ID:	anonymous			
Password:				
Directory:	/rfc			
Shortcuts:	Cancel OK			



Example of FTP access using a web browser

