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File Transfer Protocol

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- File Transfer Protocol
- Used to transfer data from one computer to another over the internet.
- Client-Server Architecture.
- Separated control/data connections.
- Modes:
 - Active Mode, Passive Mode
- Request For Comments (RFCs):
 - RFC 959 File Transfer Protocol
 - ➢ RFC 2228 FTP Security Extensions
 - ▶ RFC 2428 FTP Extensions for IPv6 and NATs
 - ≻ RFC 2640 UTF-8 support for file name
 - ➢ RFC 2324 Hyper Text Coffee Pot Control Protocol

FTP - Security

□ Security concern

- As we seen, FTP connections (both command and data) are transmitted in clear text.
- What if somebody sniffing the network?
 - → We need encryption.

Solutions

- SFTP
 - SSH File Transfer Protocol.
 - Encrypts data and commands
- FTP over SSH
 - Tunneling a normal FTP session over an SSH connection.
- FTP over TLS
 - Encrypts commands default.

FTP - Pure-FTPd (1)

□ Introduction

- A small, easy to set up, fast and secure FTP server
- Support chroot
- Restrictions on clients, and system-wide.
- Verbose logging with syslog
- Anonymous FTP with more restrictions
- Virtual Users, and Unix authentication
- FXP (File eXchange Protocol)
- FTP over TLS
- UTF-8 support for filenames

FTP - Pure-FTPd (2)

□ Installation

- Ports: /usr/ports/ftp/pure-ftpd
- Options

Options for pure-ftpd 1.0.36			
Image: Constraint of the send fileSupport for users in LDAP directories[] MYSQLSupport for users in MySQL database[*] PAMSupport for PAM authentication[] PGSQLSupport for users in PostgreSQL database[*] TLSSupport for TLS (experimental)[*] PRIVSEPEnable privilege separation[] PERUSERLIMITSPer-user concurrency limits[] THROTTLINGBandwidth throttling[] UPLOADSCRIPTSupport for charset conversion[*] SENDFILESupport for the sendfile syscall[*] LARGEFILESupport downloading files larger than 2Gb[*] VIRTUALCHROOTFollow symlinks outside a chroot jail[] ANONRESUMEAllow anonymous user to resume file uploadv(+)87%			
< OK > <cancel></cancel>			

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• Other options

> sudo make extract ===> Found saved configuration for pure-ftpd-1.0.36 You can use the following additional options: WITH_CERTFILE=/path - Set different location of certificate file for TLS WITH_LANG=lang - Enable compilation of language support, lang is one of english, german, romanian, french, french-funny, polish, spanish, danish, dutch, italian, brazilian-portuguese, slovak, korean, swedish, norwegian, russian, traditional-chinese, simplified-chinese, czech, turkish, hungarian, catalan

• WITH_CERTFILE for TLS

Default: /etc/ssl/private/pure-ftpd.pem

• WITH_LANG

Change the language of output messages

□ Startup:

• Add pureftpd_enable="YES" in /etc/rc.conf

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- Pure-FTPd Configurations(1)

Configurations:

- File: /usr/local/etc/pure-ftpd.conf
- Documents
 - Configuration sample: /usr/local/etc/pure-ftpd.conf.sample
 - All options are explained clearly in this file.
 - Other documents
 - See /usr/local/share/doc/pure-ftpd/*

> ls /usr/local/share/doc/pure-ftpd/			
AUTHORS	README.Authentication-Modules	README.TLS	
CONTACT	README.Configuration-File	README.Virtual-Users	
COPYING	README.Contrib	THANKS	
HISTORY	README.LDAP	pure-ftpd.png	
NEWS	README.MySQL	pureftpd.schema	
README	README.PGSQL		

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- Pure-FTPd Configurations(2)

Cage in every user in his home directory ChrootEveryoneyes

If the previous option is set to "no", members of the following group # won't be caged. Others will be. If you don't want chroot()ing anyone, # just comment out ChrootEveryone and TrustedGID. TrustedGID 0

PureDB user database (see README.Virtual-Users) PureDB /usr/local/etc/pureftpd.pdb

If you want simple Unix (/etc/passwd) authentication, uncomment this UnixAuthentication yes

Port range for passive connections replies. - for firewalling. PassivePortRange 30000 50000

- # This option can accept three values :
- # 0 : disable SSL/TLS encryption layer (default).
- # 1 : accept both traditional and encrypted sessions.
- # 2 : refuse connections that don't use SSL/TLS security mechanisms,
- # including anonymous sessions.

Do _not_ uncomment this blindly. Be sure that :

1) Your server has been compiled with SSL/TLS support (--with-tls),

- # 2) A valid certificate is in place,
- # 3) Only compatible clients will log in.
- TLS²
- **# UTF-8 support for file names (RFC 2640)**
- # Define charset of the server filesystem and optionnally the default charset
- # for remote clients if they don't use UTF-8.
- # Works only if pure-ftpd has been compiled with --with-rfc2640
- **#** FileSystemCharset UTF-8
- # ClientCharset UTF-8

FTP - Pure-FTPd Problem Shooting

Logs Location

• In default, syslogd keeps ftp logs in /var/log/xferlog

□ Most frequent problems

- pure-ftpd: (?@?) [ERROR] Unable to find the 'ftp' account
 - > It's ok, but you may need it for Virtual FTP Account.
- pure-ftpd: (?@?) [ERROR] Sorry, but that file doesn't exist: [/etc/ssl/private/pure-ftpd.pem]
 - > If you set TLS = 2, then this file is needed.
- How to generate a pure-ftpd.pem?
 - See README.TLS

FTP - Pure-FTPd Tools

□ pure-*

> ls -1 /usr/local/sbin/pure-*
/usr/local/sbin/pure-authd
/usr/local/sbin/pure-config.pl
/usr/local/sbin/pure-ftpd
/usr/local/sbin/pure-ftpwho
/usr/local/sbin/pure-mrtginfo
/usr/local/sbin/pure-quotacheck
/usr/local/sbin/pure-uploadscript
> ls -1 /usr/local/bin/pure-*
/usr/local/bin/pure-pw
/usr/local/bin/pure-statsdecode

D pure-ftpwho

• List info of users who are currently connecting to the FTP server.

D pure-pw

- Manage Virtual Users in PureDB format
- pure-pw(8)
- See README.Virtual-Users

FTP - More Tools

□ ftp/pureadmin

• Management utility for the PureFTPd

□ ftp/lftp

- Shell-like command line ftp client
- Support TLS

□ ftp/wget, ftp/curl

- Retrieve files from the Net via HTTP(S) and FTP
- □ ftp/mget
 - Multithreaded commandline web-download manager
- 🗖 FileZilla
 - A graphical cross-platform FTP client
 - Support TLS