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Chapter 1

Charon

1.1 Charon.guide

Charon

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1.2 Charon.guide/Legal information

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1.3 Charon.guide/Introduction

Introduction

One of the Internet programs that Amiga was missing was a good download manager. Or just any download manager, for that matter. As author of HTTPResume, I got quite a few suggestions to make something "like GetRight or Go!Zilla on the PC". So, as the need was obvious, I slowly started working on it from the scratch.

Charon is a download manager, plain and simple. You can use your browser to download files, but they don't have enough options to finetune the process. In order to have full control over downloads, you need a download manager: something designed for that specific purpose. This Charon (pronounced something like Kerohn), unlike mythical Charon who transfers souls of the dead over the river Styx to the underworld, transfers files over the Internet to your HD.

What does it do?

- * Multiple download of HTTP/HTTPS/FTP files all with/without proxy, with resume (if server supports it). HTTPS support using AmiSSL or MiamiSSL.
- * Automatic retry/resume of downloads up to specified number of tries.
- * Huge number of options to customise it as you wish including:

setting timeout after which download is retried, setting minimum allowed number of CPS, maximum number of CPS...

- * Scheduled downloads.
- * Integrated Internet searches such as Aminet search, MP3 search etc.
- * Has a HTML parser window which shows all links in a file.
- * It can automatically choose proxy based on your hostname or IP address.
- * ARexx interface.
- * MUI GUI.

1.4 Charon.guide/Registration

Registration

Charon is shareware. You are allowed to use evaluation version for 30 days and than you must either register or stop using it. Registered users will receive their personal key file which will enable them to use all features of Charon. To see how to register, please visit Charon home page (see support).

Evaluation version has following limitations:

- * Only one copy of Charon can be started.
- * There's maximum of two simultaneous downloads at the same time.
- * "Max CPS" option can't be switched off and the fastest download speed is limited to 500 CPS.
- * About window is opened at the start of the program and can't be closed until ten seconds have passed.

1.5 Charon.guide/Requirements

Requirements

- * An AmiTCP compatible TCP/IP stack such as Miami or Genesis.
 - * AmiSSL or MiamiSSL packages for HTTPS transfers.
 - * MUI for graphic interface and some MUI custom classes.
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1.6 Charon.guide/Installation

Installation

To install Charon, please use the supplied Installer script. Basically, it will copy the contents of the archive to a directory of your choice and let you select what kind of pictures do you want to use for Charon toolbar. You should already have NList MUI custom class (which can be found on Aminet in dev/mui directory) in your MUI:Libs/MUI directory for Charon to work.

1.7 Charon.guide/Menus

Menus

Here's a short description of all menu items:

Project/URL/New...

Opens a window in which you can enter new URL.

Project/URL/New from clipboard...

Similar, but URL field is already filled with contents of the clipboard.

Project/URL/Start

Starts downloading selected URLs. If there's already maximum number of transfers going on, the one you started will be queued. You can't start locked URLs (the ones that are underlined).

Project/URL/Stop

Stops downloading selected URLs.

Project/URL/Stop started

Stops downloading started downloads.

Project/URL/Edit...

Opens windows that enables you to edit selected URLs. You can't edit locked URLs.

Project/URL/Remove

Removes selected URLs from the list. If necessary, some downloads will be stoped.

Project/URL/Schedule

Schedules URL selected URLs for download at specified time. You can't schedule locked URLs.

Project/Select/All

Selects all URLs.

Project/Select/None

Deselects all URLs.

Project/Select/Toggle

Selects URLs that were not selected and vice versa.

Project/Select/Started

Selects started URLs.

Project/Import list...

Imports list of URLs to download from a file. This file is the one you get when you choose Export list... from the Project menu.

Project/Export list...

Exports list of files in main window to a file in format that Charon understands.

Project/About...

Opens a window with information on Charon.

Project/About MUI...

Opens a window with information on MUI.

Project/Iconify...

Hides the Charon window either in an icon on the Workbench screen or in the Workbench "Tools" menu (selectable in MUI preferences).

Project/Quit

Exits Charon. All downloads will be stoped and the list of URLs will be exported to PROGDIR:Charon.list.

Windows/Active downloads...

Opens the window which shows the list of the active downloads.

Windows/Internet search...

Opens the window in which various Internet searches can be performed.

Windows/HTML links...

Opens the window which extracts URLs from a file.

Windows/Download log...

Opens a window which lists all files downloaded during the current session.

Windows/Information...

Opens the window with some information about the downloads.

Settings/Settings...

Opens the settings window.

Settings/Save settings as...

Saves the settings under a filename that you choose.

Settings/Save settings as default

Saves the settings as PROGDIR:Charon.cfg.

Settings/Load settings...

Loads settings from a file that you choose.

Settings/Load default settings

Load the settings from PROGDIR:Charon.cfg.

Settings/MUI...

Opens the MUI settings for Charon.

ARexx/Execute ARexx script...

Starts a specified ARexx script.

1.8 Charon.guide/Settings

Settings

Settings window has five pages (two of those are divided in two parts). Names in the brackets next to option names are significant only to ARexx programmers.

Global

These are global settings that affect every URL or behaviour of the program itself.

- * Base directory (STARTDIR) When you enter URL, Charon will try to create output file name using this value and filename from URL. For example, if you set base directory to Downloads: and enter URL `http://www.somehost.net/file.lha`, Charon will automatically fill in Downloads:file.lha as output file name. Note that you have to press enter in URL field for Charon to do this.
- * Error sound (ERRORSOUND) This is the sound Charon will play when error is encountered during download of the file.
- * Finished sound (FINISHEDSOUND) This is the sound Charon will play when a transfer is finished.
- * Finished all sound (FINISHEDALLSOUND) This is the sound Charon will play when all started transfers are finished.
- * On start execute (STARTSCRIPT) and On exit execute (STOPSCRIPT) These two specify commands which will be executed on program start/exit. These commands are executed synchronously, ie. Charon will not continue until they return. If start script returns an error, Charon will not start. These scripts can be useful for starting/stopping TCP/IP stack or something similar.
- * Edit script (EDITSCRIPT) When you edit an URL in edit window and click OK or OK & start, the URL is locked and this script called asynchronously with the following arguments: ID x ERROR y URL "http://www.some.url/" START z PORT port ID is the ID of the download, error is always 0 for now, port is

name of the ARexx port of Charon that called the script. If START is non-zero you should start the download using START command after you have done everything you wanted (including unlocking the URL using UNLOCKURL command!). See the example ARexx script that comes in the Charon archive.

- * Convert from (CONVFROM) and Convert to (CONVTO) These options can be used to convert some characters in the filename. For example, setting Convert from to "a" and Convert to to "b" would convert all letters "a" to "b". This is case sensitive! If lengths of these values are not equal, both values will be cleared (it is not possible to check this from ARexx, so be careful when you do this)! Common uses for this is to change spaces to underscores or something similar...
 - * Max transfers (MAXTRANSFERS) This sets maximum number of transfers that Charon will do at the same time. If more transfers are started, they will be queued.
 - * Max filename length (MAXNAMELEN) This lets you limit length of the filename. Note that if you set this to x characters, Charon will copy first x - 3 characters and use URL to calculate last three characters. This should make sure that you can use maximum filename length that your filesystem allows and that <http://some.host.net/verylongfilename1> and <http://some.host.net/verylongfilename2> don't end up with the same filename.
 - * Backup interval (BACKUPINTERVAL) If this is different from 0, Charon will backup its download list to directory Backup every x minutes.
 - * No safety requesters (NOSAFEREQUESTERS) This disables those "Are you sure?" requesters which are annoying to some people.
 - * Auto start (AUTOSTART) If set, automatically starts downloading URL as soon as you enter it (or queues it). Also, when you start Charon, it will automatically start/queue all downloads (except scheduled ones).
 - * Auto exit (AUTOEXIT) If all URLs are downloaded (there are no more entries in the list) and this option is set, Charon will exit.
 - * Don't load list (NOLOADLIST) Normally, Charon loads list of URLs that it didn't download the last time. If you don't want this to happen, you can set this option.
 - * Don't save list (NOSAVELIST) If you set this, Charon won't save URLs that were left in the list on exit.
 - * Delete files (DELETEFILES) If you think that Remove URL should remove not only URL(s) from the list, but also actual file(s) from the disk, set this option.
 - * Show full URL (SHOWFULLURL) This toggles display of full URL or just file part of the URL.
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- * Close gadget iconifies (CLOSEISICONIFY) Clicking on the window's close gadget will iconify Charon instead of quitting it. Change of this option doesn't take effect until you restart Charon!

Proxies

These settings allow Charon to automatically choose proxy based on your hostname or IP address. When Charon wants to find out which proxy to use, it starts from the beginning of the list and checks if your hostname/IP address matches pattern in the left column of the list. If it does, Charon will use the corresponding proxy from the right column of the list. Proxy list (PROXIES) string gadget should contain name of the file where these settings will be saved.

Local

Here you can set default settings for every URL. But, unlike global settings, every URL can have these settings changed.

- * Proxy (PROXY) Proxy server. Most of the time it's something like `http://proxy.mydomain.net:8080/` or similar.
 - * Download attempts (DOWNLOADATTEMPTS) How many times should Charon try to download this URL before it gives up?
 - * Download delay (RETRYDELAY) Specifies how many seconds should Charon wait before it retries download of this URL.
 - * Timeout (resumable) (TIMEOUTRES) If resumable download stops for this many seconds, Charon will retry it. Zero means no timeout.
 - * Timeout (not resumable) (TIMEOUTNRES) If non-resumable download stops for this many seconds, Charon will retry it. Zero means no timeout.
 - * Max timeouts (MAXTIMEOUTS) One timeout is not regarded as error. If Max timeouts occur, it will be regarded as one error.
 - * Max CPS (MAXCPS) If you are f. ex. chatting on IRC and you don't want all bandwidth eaten up by file downloads, you can limit the speed of transfer.
 - * Min CPS (resumable) (MINCPSRES) If resumable download gets too slow, Charon will stop it and retry.
 - * Min CPS (not resumable) (MINCPSNRES) If non-resumable download gets too slow, Charon will stop it and retry.
 - * Ignore CPS (IGNORECPS) Some servers need a few seconds to really start transferring files properly. In order to prevent Min CPS option to stop download too early, before it actually got started, this options specifies how many seconds to ignore Min CPS option.
 - * Directory structure (TREE) This allows you to preserve
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directory structure from the URL. Setting this option to 2 and trying to download `http://www.aminet.net/pub/aminet/comm/irc/amirc.lha` will make Charon will skip two directories and append `/comm/irc/amirc.lha` to Base directory. Directories that don't exist will be created! If this option is set to -1, it will be ignored.

- * Rollback (ROLLBACK) It can happen sometimes that proxy appends some bogus data when its link to the server that the file is on is interrupted. To prevent this, you can set rollback option and when error occurs Charon will ignore last x bytes from the downloaded file and download them again to ensure that they are downloaded properly.
 - * Read buffer (READBUFFERLEN) This is the buffer that Charon uses for reading data from network. If you have a modem connection (upto 56800), there's no point in increasing this value from default 10 kB. On the other hand, if you have faster connection (ISDN or similar) you will probably want to increase this value. See also DOS buffer option.
 - * Write buffer (WRITEBUFFERLEN) This is the buffer that Charon uses for sending data to network. The default 1 kB is quite sufficient and you don't need to increase it, no matter how fast your connection is.
 - * DOS buffer (DOSBUFFERLEN) This is the DOS buffer that Charon will set for the file it's downloading. If you think that Charon is writing to disk too often, increase this value. If you increase length of the buffer, the upside is that Charon will write to disk less often and in larger chunks. But, if you set it too high (say 100 kB) and your computer crashes for some reason, contents of that buffer won't be written to disk! This option is not available if you don't have OS3.1 or higher.
 - * Before download start (BEFORESRIPT) and After download start (AFTERSRIPT) These commands are executed asynchronously before (after) the download is started (finished) with the following arguments: ID x ERROR y URL "`http://www.some.url/`" ID is the ID of the download (only useful in ARexx scripts). In "before script", ERROR is always 0 and ID can be used for QUERYing URLs attributes. In "after script" ID is only valid if ERROR is not 0, ie. the URL will stay in the list. Note that the URL is quoted.
 - * No proxy (NOPROXY) Don't use proxy even if it's specified.
 - * Overwrite (OVERWRITE) Always start downloading file from scratch, never try to resume.
 - * Don't keep date (NOKEEPDATE) Charon normally tries to find out date of the file on server and keep it the same on the local file. If you don't want that to happen, switch this on.
 - * Force comment (FORCECOMMENT) When Charon downloads a file, it
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writes the URL to its comment, but only if it didn't already have it. If you want Charon to always write the comment to the output file, you should set this option.

- * Overwrite if no resume (OVERWRITEIFNORESUME) Charon will always try to resume interrupted transfers. However, some servers don't support resume and Charon will then report fatal error. If you want it to restart downloading file from scratch instead, set this option. Overwrite will automatically be set in this case.

HTTP

Everything said for Local settings applies here to. These are some settings specific to HTTP transfers (this also includes those that go through proxy).

- * Referrer (REFERER) This sets Referer: HTTP header field. Some sites allow download only if link to the file was on their HTML page. When you click on a link on a page, browsers send URL of that page in Referer: field (unless you turn it off). Charon doesn't send Referer: field by default, but if you find a link that requires this field, use this option to set it. This field will always be sent until you clear it. Typically, Referer: field for f. ex. `http://www.host.com/dir/dirl/dir2/file.ext` should be `http://www.host.com/` or `http://www.host.com/dirl/dir2/`. See also Auto Referrer: field option.
 - * User-Agent (USERAGENT) This sets User-Agent: HTTP header field. You should very rarely need to change this. Some servers send the same HTML pages to browsers differently depending on User-Agent: field ("This works in Netscape, this in Explorer..."). If you don't know anything about this, you don't need to use it.
 - * No cache (NOCACHE) There are some stupid proxy servers that don't check if the copy of the file they have cached is up to date. In that case, you can force them to fetch it from the original server again.
 - * Date check (DATECHECK) If you want Charon to check whether partial copy of the file is older than the one on the server (f. ex. if the copy on the server was changed in the mean time) you can switch this on. However, because of daylight savings time, inaccurate clocks and many other things, this might not work as expected.
 - * Only if updated (ONLYIFUPDATED) If you are making a mirror of a site, you will probably want to download a file only if it's updated, ie. if your copy is older than the one on the server. In that case you should switch this option on. This option is valid only in combination with Overwrite option! Also, you shouldn't use Don't keep date option.
 - * Auto Referrer: field (AUTOREFERER) If this is set, Charon will automatically change and send Referer: HTTP field with every request. This might be necessary since many servers now allow
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download only if request for the file has appropriate Referer: field, otherwise they usually redirect you to their main page. See also Referer: option.

FTP

Everything said for Local settings applies here to. These are some settings specific to FTP transfers (those that don't go through proxy).

- * No "PORT" Charon normally sets up FTP transfers using PASV command which has some advantages over PORT command. In case PASV doesn't work, Charon will fall back to PORT command. However, if you are on a firewall, this definitely won't work and will block for some time. If this happens to you with every FTP server, switch this on. Note that there are some firewalls whose purpose is not to let you use direct FTP downloads.
- * FTP e-mail Anonymous FTP servers require you to send your e-mail address as password. However, you shouldn't need to use your real e-mail address, you can put anything you want here. Some servers perform more or less complex checks, so sometimes you might need to use at least domain part of your e-mail address (after "@" sign).

1.9 Charon.guide/ARexx interface

ARexx interface

Charon's ARexx port is called CHARON.x where x depends on number of instances of Charon that are started. Entries in the list are references by IDs which can be gotten in numerous ways. In addition to standard MUI ARexx commands, Charon defines the following commands:

NEWURL - Enters new URL into list

Template: NEWURL URL/A,FILE,LOCK/S

Inserts new URL into list. If URL is string clipboard, it will be read from clipboard. RESULT will have ID of the new URL or 0 if it couldn't have been created. FILE is the output file. If it is not given, Charon will try to construct it using Base directory and filename from URL. LOCK optionally locks URL which prevents it from being edited, started (f. ex. by AUTOSTART option).

START - Starts download of specified URL(s)

Template: START ID/N,SELECTED/S,ALL/S

Starts specified URL(s). If you want to start specified URL you should specify its ID. SELECTED switch starts only selected URLs, whilst ALL switch starts all URLs. Locked URLs can't be started.

STOP - Stops download of URL

Template: STOP ID/N,SELECTED/S,STARTED/S,ALL/S

Stops specified URL(s). Options are the same as in START command.

EDIT - Opens edit window for specified URL(s)

Template: EDIT ID/N,SELECTED/S,ALL/S

Edits specified URL(s). Options are the same as in START command.

REMOVE - Removes specified URL(s)

Template: REMOVE ID/N,SELECTED/S,ALL/S,FORCE/S

Removes specified URL(s) from the list. FORCE won't ask user for confirmation even if "No safety requesters" is not checked. Other options are the same as in START command.

SCHEDULE - Schedules specified URL(s)

Template: SCHEDULE ID/N,SECONDS/N/A,SELECTED/S,ALL/S

Schedules specified URL(s) to a date which is SECONDS seconds after January 1st 1978. See also GETNUMSECONDS ARexx command.

IMPORTLIST - Imports list of URLs

Template: IMPORTLIST NAME/A

Imports list of URLs in format that Charon understands. NAME is the name of the file which contains the list.

EXPORTLIST - Exports list of URLs

Template: EXPORTLIST NAME/A

Exports list of URLs to a file named NAME.

LOCKURL - Forbids changes to/starting/scheduling etc. of URL(s)

Template: LOCKURL ID/N/A

Locks URL with specified ID. This prevents it from being changed, scheduled or started etc.

UNLOCKURL - Removes the lock from URL(s)

Template: UNLOCKURL ID/N/A

This command is reverse to LOCKURL command.

GETFIRSTURL - Returns ID of the first (selected) element in list

Template: GETFIRSTURL SELECTED/S

Returns ID of the first URL (or first selected URL) or 0 if list is empty.

GETNEXTURL - Returns ID of next (selected) element in list

Template: GETNEXTURL ID/N/A,SELECTED/S

Returns ID of the URL which is after the one with ID ID (or of the next selected URL) or 0 if it's the last one in the list. If you specify "SELECTED", the ID you pass must be of a selected URL.

GETPREVURL - Returns ID of previous (selected) element in list

Template: GETPREVURL ID/N/A,SELECTED/S

Returns ID of the URL which is before the one with ID ID (or of the previous selected URL) or 0 if it's the first one in the list. If you specify "SELECTED", the ID you pass must be of a selected URL.

GETLASTURL - Returns ID of the last element in list

Template: GETLASTURL SELECTED/S

Returns ID of the last URL (or last selected URL) or 0 if list is empty.

GETURLSTATE - Returns state of the URL

Template: GETURLSTATE ID/N/A

Returns state of URL with specified ID. Possible responses are "LOCKED", "READY", "QUEUED", "DOWNLOADING", "ERROR" and "SCHEDULED".

QUERY - Returns state of some options for URL

Template: QUERY ID/N/A,OPTION/A/F

Queries state of a URL option with specified ID. ID of 0 specifies default options (ie. default ones for new URL). Also, use 0 to get global options (MAXTRANSFERS etc). For possible values for OPTION, see settings. Other possible values are:

- * VERSION Returns version of Charon.
- * STARTEDTRANSFERS Returns number of currently started transfers.
- * NUMTRANSFERS Returns number of entries in the list.
- * URL Returns URL of the specified transfer.
- * FILE Returns name of the output file of the specified transfer.
- * TRANSFEREDLENGTH Data downloaded so far.
- * FULLLENGTH Length of the file on server or 0 if server sent no information about it.
- * SCHEDULE Returns how many seconds from January 1st 1978 is transfer scheduled after.

SET - Sets some of the options for URL

Template: SET ID/N/A,OPTION/A/F

Sets state of a URL option with specified ID. ID of 0 specifies default options (ie. default ones for new URL). Also, use 0 to set global options (MAXTRANSFERS etc). You can't change locked or the one that is being downloaded. For possible values for OPTION, see settings. Other possible values are:

* URL Sets URL of the specified transfer.

* FILE Sets name of the output file of the specified transfer.

GETNUMSECONDS - Returns number of seconds that passed up to specified date
Template: GETNUMSECONDS DATE

Returns number of seconds that passed between January 1st 1978 and given date. Empty DATE is the same as current date. Otherwise, it should be in format day:month:year:hour:minute:second. F. ex. if you want to be the first one who asks for a transfer in the next millenium, you would ask for GETNUMSECONDS 1:1:2001:00:00:00 and forward the result to SCHEDULE command.

FINDURLBYID - Checks whether URL with given ID is in the list
Template: FINDURLBYID ID/N/A

Finds URL with specified ID and returns its position in the list (starting from 1) or 0 if it was not found. Useful if you want to see if URL with the ID you have is still in the list.

SELECT - Selects group of URLs
Template: SELECT TYPE/A

Selects group of URLs by specified TYPE. TYPE is one of ALL, NONE, TOGGLE, STARTED.

HTMLLINKSWINDOW - Opens HTML parser window
Template: HTMLLINKSWINDOW FILE/A,BASEURL/A

Opens a window which extracts links from a HTML file and sets file and base URL fields.

BACKUP - Forces a backup of list file
Template: BACKUP

Forces a backup of list file.

TOGGLEMAINWINDOW - Hides/unhides main window
Template: TOGGLEMAINWINDOW

This function hides/unhides main window. If it is open, there are no additional windows from Windows menu opened and TOGGLEMAINWINDOW is issued, the application will be iconified.

SETAUTHORIZATION - Sets/changes username/password in an URL
Template: SETAUTHORIZATION ID/N/A,USERNAME/A,PASSWORD

This functions sets username and password in an URL. If URL already has username and password in it, they will be replaced.

1.10 Charon.guide/Tips and tricks

Tips and tricks

- * Entries in the main list are draggable. You can move them around and change order of downloads as you wish.
- * Looking for a MP3 file? Use Internet search window!
- * If you use AWeb and you happen to be on a page from which you'd like to download heaps of links, you can use the supplied ShowLinks.rexx ARexx script to have them all presented to you.
- * Edit URL window is an app window. You can drop icons on it and Charon will use name of that file. If the file has URL in its comment, that comment will be copied to the URL field.
- * Edit URL window has a menu which will let you load a .cfg file. You can create a .cfg file if you choose Save settings as... entry from Settings menu.
- * When you enter URL in edit URL window, press enter for Charon to automatically create filename from the URL.
- * You can rearrange order of the downloads using drag & drop in the listview.
- * Use provided ARexx script to send links from browsers to Charon.
 - * In AWeb, go to Settings/GUI settings/Pop-up and an entry to each type. The name of the command can be f. ex. Download and the command should be SYSTEM CharonPath:Rexx/AddURL.rexx "%u". This will download files to your default download directory.
 - * In IBrowse 2.2+, go to Preferences/Settings.../GUI/FAB menus, then drag Custom entry to each Link, Imagelink, Page and Image sections (you can then rename it if you want). Select ARexx in the cycle gadget and select AddURL.rexx script. In the argument field enter "%i", "%l" or "%u" to download image URL, link URL or page URL respectively.
 - * It is currently impossible to do this in Voyager. As soon as it becomes possible, this part will be updated.

1.11 Charon.guide/History

History

Version 1.3 (24.6.2000)

- * New option: Edit script. When you edit an entry in edit window and click OK or OK & start, this script will be called so you can change something in the entry (for example, set

username/password, change proxy).

- * Files from Backup directory are now automatically imported into Charon's main list.
- * Fixed display of sizes/transfer rates of extremely large files (hopefully for the last time).
- * Fixed crashes when changing Internet search engine. There was something really strange about this, I still think there was nothing wrong with Charon. Anyway, the fix definitely works.
- * If server sends larger file than it indicated, Charon now acts as if no size was specified. This fixes problems with some bad servers.
- * Fixed a pretty big bug: if the last entry in the list was selected and second entry from the end active, the whole list would be deleted!
- * Faster adding of links from Internet search and HTML links window to main window.
- * If an entry was downloading and was removed, queued file(s) that should have been started wouldn't be started.
- * Made it impossible for older versions of Charon to open libraries of newer versions (since these are incompatible) just in case.
- * Select none menu entry and ARexx command now also turn off the active entry.
- * New ARexx command: SETAUTORIZATION which sets username and password in an URL.
- * Added an ARexx script to "pause" (actually to stop and then start) downloads until you, for example, collect your e-mail or something similar.
- * Internal cleanups.

Version 1.2 (19.4.2000)

- * It is now possible to hide only main window and leave other windows open, f. ex. active downloads window.
 - * New option to make close window gadget act as iconify command.
 - * Finally properly fixed time remaining indicator.
 - * Somewhat undocumented tooltype/argument DEBUG has been changed to LOG which now optionally logs almost everything that happens while URL is downloaded.
 - * Fixed two bugs in HTML parsing, one of the two could be quite fatal at times (luckily, it would rarely happen).
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- * New ARexx command BACKUP which forces immediate backup of the list file.
- * QUERY ARexx command now has two new arguments: TRANSFEREDLENGTH and FULLLENGTH.

Version 1.1 (24.3.2000)

- * New window for Internet searches. Currently, Aminet, AudioFind, MP3Box, Lycos MP3Search and Lycos FTPSearch searches are supported, but more searches are easy to add.
 - * New window which extracts all links from HTML file.
 - * New window that logs finished downloads.
 - * New window that shows only active downloads.
 - * New "minimal information" window that shows some info about the list of downloads.
 - * Charon now optionally backs up its download list every x minutes.
 - * New option to execute a command when Charon is started and when it exits.
 - * It is now possible to execute a command before the download is started and after it's finished.
 - * New option: rollback which tries to prevent bad proxies from mangling the file which is being downloaded.
 - * There's a new option to make Charon show only filename part of the URL. This option is also accessible from the display's context menu.
 - * Charon now visually indicates when an entry with the same filename is entered.
 - * New menu entry: stop started downloads.
 - * New menu entries which make it possible to select all, toggle selected, select started entries. These options are also accessible from the display's context menu.
 - * New menu entry: New clipboard URL.
 - * New "paste from clipboard" gadget in edit window for those who are used to HTTPResume.
 - * Charon now uses Textinput MUI custom class by Oliver Wagner (if it's available) for its string gadgets.
 - * Corrected a problem which appeared when downloading from wu-ftp-2.6.x FTP server.
 - * Edit window now has "OK & start" gadget.
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- * Bubble help for main list now gives some information about the currently active entry. This information is updated only when active entry is changed!
- * Main window is now also an app window. It is also possible to drop icons on Charon's app icon when it's iconified.
- * Width of the main list is now saved only on a window snapshot.
- * Fixed the way time to end of the download was calculated.
- * Settings window is rearranged.
- * NEWURL ARexx command has new special URL called "clipboard" which gets it from the clipboard.
- * Included ARexx example how to change an option for all selected URLs.
- * Included ARexx script which shows all links on current HTML page in AWeb. Useful if you are on a ROM or picture gallery site and you want to download some links.
- * ARexx commands are updated with new options.

Version 1.0 (3.2.2000)

- * First public release.

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Support

Mailing list

For discussion about Charon you can join the Charon support mailing list. To join, send an e-mail to charon-list-subscribe@egroups.com.

WWW support site

Visit Charon WWW site at <http://www.bigfoot.com/~TheAntony/Charon/> to get updates and support.

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1.14 Charon.guide/MUI

MUI

This application uses

MUI - MagicUserInterface

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MUI is a system to generate and maintain graphical user interfaces. With the aid of a preferences program, the user of an application has the ability to customize the outfit according to his personal taste.

MUI is distributed as shareware. To obtain a complete package containing lots of examples and more information about registration please look for a file called "muiXXusr.lha" (XX means the latest version number) on your local bulletin boards or on public domain disks.

If you want to register directly, feel free to send

DM 30.- or US\$ 20.-

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