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Chapter 1

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1.2 guide

This guide contains links with inline ARexx macros wich use `rmh.library/OpenURL`. They will work if and only if you have both `openurl.library` and `rmh.library` installed.

rmh.library is by me, and it is included in this archive.

openURL.library is by Troels Walsted Hansen

"This library was created to make it easier for application programmers to include clickable URLs in their applications, about windows, etc. ..."

You can find it on aminet at comm/www/OpenURL20.lha

1.3 warning

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RESPONSIBILITY IS ASSUMED. NO WARRANTIES ARE MADE.

1.4 introduction

hserv is a HTTP 1.0 compliant server with some features from HTTP 1.1 .

hserv is very configurable and funny and.

The main features are:

- run alone or as inetd service in multiple instance listening on different ports; ←
- accepts GET, HEAD and POST methods;
- basic file resuming;
- Virtual hosts implemented;
- "If-Modified-Since" supported, with many date formats;
- "rfc 19452 Auth supports;
- rejected-ips;
- mime types read from file, so you can had your mime;
- text parsing;
- in line ARExx functions in html documents;
- ARExx, REBOL, perl and exe cgi;
- may be set to require ident service running at client host;
- preferences and "QuickStart" GUI.

1.5 installation

First of all run the installation script.

Let's suppose you installed hserv in PATH: (complete PATH: to a drawer).
Follow this basic installation:

To install hserv as an inetd service:

- If running on AmiTCP
open AmiTCP:db/services and (if not already present) add the line:
http 80/tcp

```
open AmiTCP:db/inetd.conf and add the line
  http stream tcp nowait root C:rxs rxs PATH:main/hserv.rexx
```

- If running on Miami
 - open Miami/DataBase/services window
 - press "Add" gadget
 - (if not already present) add the entry:
 - Name: http
 - ID: 80
 - Protocol: tcp
 - open Miami/DataBase/InetD window
 - press "Add" gadget
 - add the entry:
 - Service: http
 - Socket: stream
 - Protocol: tcp
 - Wait: nowait
 - User: root
 - Server: c:rxs
 - Name: rxs
 - Args: PATH:main/hserv.rexx

```
To install it as stand alone:
run >NIL: <NIL: rx PATH:main/hserv
(or just rx hserv PATH:main/hserv)
```

Check if you have a services in inetd listening on 80/tcp or hserv will fail with "can't bind socket" error.

1.6 requirements

hserv needs:

- AmigaOS 2.0 or higher
- ARexx
- Miami or AmiTCP/Genesis. hserv DOESN'T work on Termite.
- rxsocket.library
- rmh.library
- rxasl.library
- rxwiz.library
- wizard.library

NOTA BENE

wizard.library is not included in this archive,
but you can download it now.

1.7 author

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1.8 distribution

hserv is FreeWare.

You are free to detribute it as long as the original archive is kept intact. Commercial use or its inclusion in other software package is prohibited without prior consens from the Author.

1.9 configuration

Configuration options are read from a file, which is the first argument of hserv .

If no file name is given, hserv tries to open /conf/hserv.conf

Each line of the configuration file is in the form:

<option> <value>

Empty lines, lines beginning with # or ;
lines after the 1024th, chars after the 256th
are ignored during parsing.

Words can be separated by space(s) and tab(s) .

The options are:

HostName	the host name, if none given, hserv tries to obtain it from the socket name Don't set it if you don't know what you are doing
Port	the port to use (of course, only valid if running as stand alone) default 80
Admin	any occurence of <!admin> in a text is converted to admin
DocumentDir	the dir where documents are
DocumentIndex	any request with a null file name is replaced with this default index.html
CGIDir	the directory where CGI macros are. It is used if and only if a "/cgi-bin/<file>" is received
ErrorLog	a flag that indicates if errors must be logged

values are ON OFF SYS
default SYS

ErrorFile if ErrorLog is ON, log error in this file

TransferLog a flag that indicates if requests must be logged
values are ON OFF SYS
default OFF

TransferFile if TransferLog is ON, log requests int this file

Auth
the auth file

RejectedIP
the rejected ip - forces HostNameLookups ON

MimeFile
the mime file

Specials
the specials file

Handlers
the handlers file

VirtualHosts
the virtual hosts file

Errors
special errors file

Timeout timeout in seconds for the receive request and send phase
default 300

HostnameLookups a flags that indicates if the server should do a
GetHostByName() on the client ip
values are ON OFF
default OFF

Ident a flag that indicates if the client must have the
ident service running; the server will connect it
and get client ident
values are ON OFF
default OFF

OnlyAmigaClient only Amiga client accepted; clients without the word
"Amiga" in User-Agent field are rejected
values are ON OFF
default OFF

Status	status of the server value are OPENED PAUSED CLOSED default OPENED
Pri	exec priority of the server process default 0
DefImage	send image on error

1.10 auth

The Auth file consists of lines in the form:

<pattern> <realm> <login> <pass>

- pattern is an AmigaDOS pattern, that will be applied to the complete file name requested.
- realm is a symbolic name for the protected space the file(s) belongs to
- login is the login
- pass is the password

Due ARexx limitation I set the max length of login":"pass to max 20 chars.

Anytime a file is requested, after it was parsed in a complete PATH: to a file ↔
'
and matches a pattern in a line of Auth file, an authentication request is send to the client.

Try to join TheSecretGarden
you'll need to login with l:secret p:garden

1.11 rejectedip

The RejectedIP file consists of lines in the form:

<pattern> <reason>

- pattern is an AmigaDOS pattern, that will be applied to the ip of the client
- reason is the reason for the k-line . It is send to the client

If the pattern matches the ip, the connection is not accepted.

If a non empty Rejectedip file is given, HostNameLookups is set.

1.12 mime

The Mimefile consists of lines in the form:

```
<mime> <ext> {SP ext}
```

- mime is a mime type, e.g. <text/html>
- ext is the extension of the file.

Any file with an extension present in the left part of a mime line is considered to be of that mime.

Default mime is <text/html>.

1.13 specials

The Special file consists of lines in the form:

```
<pattern> <code> <file> [args]
```

- pattern is an AmigaDOS pattern, that will be applied to the complete file name requested.
- code is one of:
 - CODE http error code, a http head is created and sent back with code "file" (must be integer) without any further action - args is discarded
 - CALL "file" is called and the current socket is pass to it ala inetd
- file it depends on the code value
- args arguments for CALL

An examples is

```
/#?/documentation.html CODE 301 Location: http://localhost/doc.html
```

that redirects documentation.html to the specified url .

1.14 handlers

The Handlers file consists of lines in the form:

```
<pattern> <handler>
```

- pattern is an AmigaDOS pattern, that will be applied to the complete file name requested.
- handler is one of
 - REXX ARexx macro
 - REBOLE rebol script
 - CGI perl cgi
 - EXE executable

- SEND send the file

If the pattern matches the file name, the file is considered to be of one of the above type . E.g. a line like

```
/CGI-BIN/counter REXX
```

will make hserv call the macro counter as it was a REXX macro rather than an EXE macro .

1.15 virtualhosts

hserv implementation of virtual host is really simple and not even so much tested.

The VirtualHosts file consists of lines in the form:
<hostname> <DocumentDir>

On connection, the VirtualHosts file is opened and if the host name of the request is found in a line, than the DocumentDir specified is used; if the host name is not found, the default DocumentDir is used. It also means, that for each virtual host the default configuration is used, only the DocumentDir can be changed.

To test virtual hosts, add in the host database of the stack you are using, an entry like
127.0.0.1 www.alfie.org
Add in the VirtualHosts file a line like
www.alfie.org <path-to-somewhere>
and try to connect <http://www.alfie.org> with your browser.

1.16 errors

The Errors file consists of lines in the form:
<httpCode/N> <macro> [newHttpCode]

If a http "httpCode" code is going to be returned by hserv, e.g. the requeste document was not found and so hserv is going to returns code 400, the Errors file is opened to find a line with that code.

If the code is found, the macro specified is called as a cgi (but the macro must be specified with complete path, and doesn't have to be in the cgi-dir) and the output of the macro is sent, with the originale code, if no newHttpCode is specified, or with newHttpCode if present.

This is usefull to overwrite standard hserv answers.

1.17 runtime

hserv has a standard AmigaDOS template:

FILE,PORT/N

- FILE is the configuration file
- PORT is the port to listen to
 - it only works if hserv is started as a stand alone service
 - it can be 0 < port < 65535
 - if it is not given, it is read from the config file
 - if the config file has no PORT options it is set to 80 by default
 - if port is 0, the port is searched in the services database

If the server runs as stand alone:

- hserv opens a port called HSERV.PORT where port is the port it is listening ←
at
this port accepts the commands:
 - QUIT quit the server
 - CONF [file] reload the old file, or a new one
 - SHOW open HserPrefs with the current configuration file.

If the config file is modified, the server auto reloads it.

hserv (or better hs.rexx) does these controls before sending a file:

- good request
- peer info
- Ident
- OnlyAmigaClient
- k-lined ip
- file contains "/" or ":"
- file exists
- Auth
- good request method

1.18 parsing

Any time a file of mime <text/*> is encountered, the server makes this parsing on its' LINES:

changes the string <!ip> with the peer name

changes the string <!user> with the user name, if ident is ON, or unknown if ident is OFF

changes the string <!userat> with the user user@ip, if ident is ON, or ip if ident is OFF

changes the string <!admin> with the string
admin

changes the string <!power> with the string "Powered up with rxsocket.library"

changes the string <!ver> with the string "hserv 13.1"

changes the string <!this> with the current file name

changes the string <!InetDate> with the current date in GMT Internet format

changes the string `<!include filename>` and `<!--#INCLUDE FILE="filename">` with the content of "filename" due ARexx limitation filename size must be less then 65536 characters

changes the string `<!REXX fun>` with the output of the function fun, an Arexx function called on the fly

changes the string `<!CGI fun>` with the result of the file created by the CGI fun with the first 2 lines discarded

The parsing is made for all but !CGI then for !CGI, but never recursively for ←
!CGI.

1.19 cgi

The term CGI refers to:

- ARexx macros
- perl macros
- REBOL script
- AmigaOS exe

The type of the macro is parsed from its file name extension:

- ARexx macros must have the extension "rexx"
- perl CGI macros must have the extension "cgi"
- REBOL script must have the extension "r"
- AmigaOS execs must have no extension

You can overwrite the "type" of a macro, specifying a line in the

Handlers
file.

A CGI macro of type perl will work if and only if you have perl in your PATH , e.g. you have GeekGadgets installed.

A CGI macro of type REBOL will work if and only if you have rebol in your PATH .

An exe macro can be an AmigaDOS script with the s bit set .

The directory CGIDir contains all the macro that are called in the form "/cgi-bin/macro". It is a default directory for general porpouse macros.

CGI are called with the same arguments in the request.

They must write to stdout:

- first line: "Content-Type:" mime
- second line: (empty)
- rest: data (mime specific)

Macros have their real directory as CurrentDir.

If they are called from a `<!CGI fun>` the first 2 lines are discarded and the rest is inserted.

ONLY file with mime text/* are parsed.

1.20 bug

- No way to pass cgi macros local vars, like the ip of the client, the arguments of a get or a post and so on, e.g. like apache does.
- That's not a bug:
"If-Modified-Since" works just on AWeb, ask V and IB why, not me.

1.21 gui

hserv comes with a preferences editor GUI.

The GUI can be run via HservPrefs icon/macro.

It's template is:

```
FILE,PUBSCREEN/K
- FILE          the file to load
- PUBSCREEN     the screen where to open
(- SERVER      internal, do not use)
```

The GUI is really easy to use, so there isn't so much to say.

At start it searches for:

- a file given as first argument
- conf/hserv.conf if present it exists

If the gui is started by hserv itself via the ARexx command SHOW an optional gadget "Close server" is present: it closes that instance of hserv.

QuickStart is a little gui used to quickly run different instances of hserv.
