

# Crafting an FTP Hook for Fishing in MarFS

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# Objective

- Provide an FTP-based data transfer tool that ensures users can read and write data from Archive storage to a file system of their choice. This will require a daemon that can read and write from a MarFS file system, as well as other Posix file systems.





# MarFS

- MarFS is a file system that has been used to implement Campaign Storage
- Ensures a high level of data integrity through an erasure coding + checksum implementation



# ProFTPD (PR)



- Open Source (<https://github.com/proftpd/proftpd>)
- Compatible with Unix-like systems and Microsoft Windows FTP clients
- Configured through a singular main configuration file
- Offers users component flexibility through individual modules.
- Simple\*

\* Marketed as



# Simplicity

- Easy to build from source
  1. ./configure
  2. make
  3. make install

- mod\_auth.c
- mod\_auth\_file.c
- mod\_auth\_pam.c
- mod\_auth\_unix.c
- mod\_cap.c
- mod\_core.c
- mod\_ctrls.c
- mod\_delay.c
- mod\_dso.c
- mod\_facI.c
- mod\_facts.c
- mod\_ident.c
- mod\_lang.c
- mod\_log.c
- mod\_ls.c
- mod\_memcache.c
- mod\_redis.c
- mod\_rlimit.c
- mod\_site.c
- mod\_xfer.c



- Server type
- Port Number
- User and Group



```
# This is a basic ProFTPD configuration file (rename it to
# 'proftpd.conf' for actual use. It establishes a single server
# and a single anonymous login. It assumes that you have a user/group
# "nobody" and "ftp" for normal operation and anon.
```

```
ServerName                "ProFTPD Default Installation"
ServerType                standalone
DefaultServer             on
```

```
# Port 21 is the standard FTP port.
Port                      21
```

```
# Umask 022 is a good standard umask to prevent new dirs and files
# from being group and world writable.
Umask                     022
```

```
# To prevent DoS attacks, set the maximum number of child processes
# to 30. If you need to allow more than 30 concurrent connections
# at once, simply increase this value. Note that this ONLY works
# in standalone mode, in inetd mode you should use an inetd server
# that allows you to limit maximum number of processes per service
# (such as xinetd).
MaxInstances              30
```

```
# Set the user and group under which the server will run.
User                      nobody
Group                     nogroup
```

```
# To cause every FTP user to be "jailed" (chrooted) into their home
# directory, uncomment this line.
#DefaultRoot ~
```

```
# Normally, we want files to be overwriteable.
<Directory />
  AllowOverwrite           on
</Directory>
```

# Modifying The Configuration

- Alternative installation of ProFTPD

1. `./configure --enable-openssl --with-modules=mod_radius`
2. `make`
3. `make install`



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# Set the user and group under which the server will run.
User                 JordanTheFisherman
Group                 GoneFishinGroup
```

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```
# Allowing for RADIUS Authentication
```

```
RadiusEngine         on
RadiusAuthServer      server[:port] shared-secret [timeout]
```



# Current and Future Work



```
module sample_module = {  
    /* Always NULL */  
    NULL, NULL,  
  
    /* Module API version (current version: 2.0) */  
    0x20,  
  
    /* Module name */  
    "sample",  
  
    /* Module configuration handler table */  
    sample_confstab,  
  
    /* Module command handler table */  
    sample_cmdtab,  
  
    /* Module authentication handler table */  
    NULL,  
  
    /* Module initialization function */  
    sample_init,  
  
    <font color=green>/* Session initialization function */  
    sample_sess_init  
  
    /* Module version */  
    "sample/1.0"  
};
```



# Questions?