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How do I send html email from Perl?

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Q. How Can I send html email from cgi perl program under UNIX / Linux and Apache web sever?

A. Sending HTML email is an easy task with MIME::Lite CPAN module. It is a low-calorie MIME generator.

[1]

It can be use to send html emails, graphics file email attachments as a single-part or multi-part message. Here is simple perl script that sends html email.

Install Perl MIME::Lite

If you do not have MIME::Lite module, install using following command (login as a root user):

```
# cpan -i MIME::Lite
```

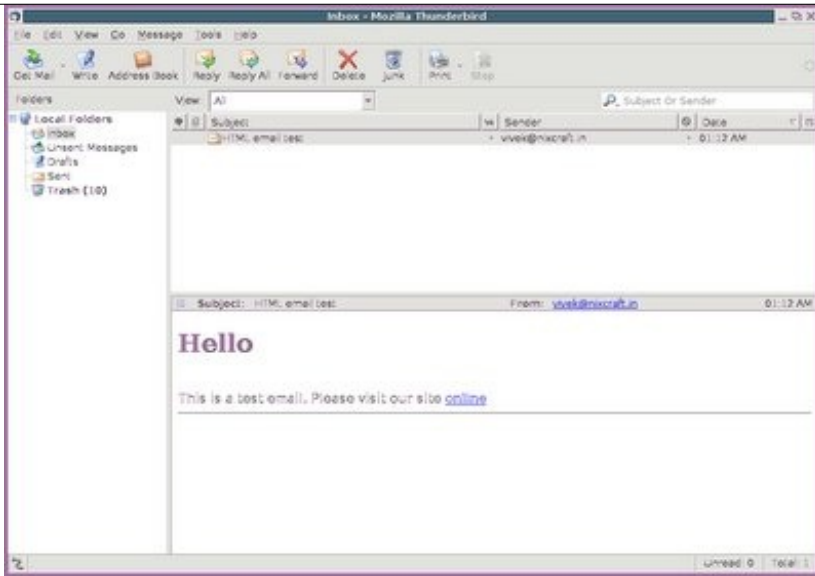## Perl script code

Script to send html email from perl:

```perl
#!/usr/bin/perl -w
use strict;
use MIME::Lite;

# SendTo email id
my $email = 'user@somewhere.com';

# create a new MIME Lite based email
my $msg = MIME::Lite->new
(
Subject => "HTML email test",
From    => 'YOU@somewhere.com',
To      => $email,
Type    => 'text/html',
Data    => '<H1>Hello</H1><br>This is a test email.
Please visit our site <a href="http://cyberciti.biz/">online</a><hr>'
);

$msg->send();
```

Save the script and execute it. Here is an email (sample) send by above script:

[2]Read man page of MIME::Lite for more information:

perldoc MIME::Lite

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