

StoreIt Protocol v0.3

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1 Introduction

Hello, this is the documentation for the StoreIt protocol. It is used to communicate with our server. We will be implementing this protocol on top of WEBSOCKETS to enjoy its messaging model.

Everything should be encoded in ASCII. Everything in the protocol is either a *command* or a *numeric response*. A command will always have the following structure:

NAME *arg1* [*arg2 arg3...*]

- NAME is the command name. "JOIN" for example. Every command name is ALWAYS 4 characters long.
- *arg* are command ASCII arguments.

2 The JSON data structures

2.1 File Object

```
1 {  
2   "path": "storeit",  
3   "metadata": "unimplemented for now",  
4   "unique_hash": "IPFS hash of all the data in the file",  
5   "kind": 0,  
6   "files": {  
7     "file_name": anotherFileObject,  
8     "another_file_name": anotherFileObject  
9   }  
10 }
```

3 ASCII Commands

3.1 Session

JOIN This is the first request to make whenever a client wants to get on-line.

JOIN username json_file

Json_file is the json tree described in the second section.

QUIT A client should send this to our server to leave the network.

QUIT

3.2 File Management

The tree following commands can be sent either from the server or from the client, depending on who has to update the files. For example if you get "FDEL" from the server, it means that somebody deleted a file from another machine and you must delete this file locally to keep in sync.

FDEL (file delete) Delete a file/directory.

FDEL file_path

FADD (file add) Add a file to the user tree.

FADD json_file

FUPT (file update) Tell the server to update a file, or receive the order to update a file. Like FADD.

FUPT json_file

4 Numeric responses

Just send '0' if everything went well. Send '1' 'error message' if something wrong occurred and you could not complete the command.