

Today you will implement the classic 'mail' command of UNIX that was (once upon a time) used by most of us to send emails. 'mail' is a program that negotiates a connection with a server and sends an email using SMTP (Simple Mail Transfer Protocol). SMTP is a simple text protocol. The following messages are sent between a client and an SMTP server on port 25 in the following order:

1. Client sends the "EHLO" command with an argument equal to the hostname of the machine initiating the connection on port 25.
2. Server sends an ack or a reject
3. Client sends the MAIL command with the return address for the message, which has the following form *mail to: <email.address>*, and is ended by \n.
4. Server sends an ack or a reject
5. Client sends the RCPT command with the recipient address for the message, which has the following form *rcpt to: <email.address>* and is ended by \n.
6. Server sends an ack or a reject
7. Client sends the "DATA" command to signal the beginning of the message text.
8. Server sends an ack or a reject (If it can receive the message or not)
9. The message contain one or more lines of text. To terminate the message, the last line must be a period with a single linefeed. The message is terminated with: .\n
10. Server sends an ack or a reject (If it accepts or rejects the methods)

To make this extra clear, a transcript of such a conversation while using "telnet" as the client is shown in Figure 1. Note how the conversation starts with a 'EHLO' message whose argument (in quotes) is the name of the host from which the email is being sent. The server responds with a message of several lines reporting its capabilities. The next message of the client is 'mail from:' with the email address of the sender. The server responds with one line, saying (in essence) 'Ok'. The next client message is the 'rcpt to:' message with the email address of the recipient. This prompts (again) a one line answer from the server. The client wraps up by sending 'DATA' on a line all by itself, followed by multiple lines of text containing the body of the message. A final line with a period (and nothing else) followed by a line-feed ends the email, and the server responds indicating that the message was queued. The client then terminates the exchange with a 'quit' message. The UNIX mail command (that you are implementing here) automates this whole process. You run it by invoking `mail` with the address of the recipient on the command line. Your mail program uses your user identifier and your domain to form the address of the sender. `mail` should prompt the user for the body of the email and deliver it to the server. Clearly, this involves the creation of a socket to contact the server and sending the right messages over the socket.

In addition to the protocol, you should implement the socket send and receive functions.

Note: Keep in mind that when reading from and writing to sockets, the basic `write()` and `read()` functions may not write the entirety of the payload. Your functions should ensure that all of the payload is written and read from the socket.

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[jforce@jforce ~]$ telnet smtp.uconn.edu 25
Trying 137.99.25.233...
Connected to smtp.uconn.edu.
Escape character is '^]'.
220 mta3.uits.uconn.edu ESMTP Postfix (Debian/GNU)
EHLO jforce
250-mta3.uits.uconn.edu
250-PIPELINING
250-SIZE 31457280
250-VRFY
250-ETRN
250-ENHANCEDSTATUSCODES
250-8BITMIME
250 DSN
mail from: jordan.force@uconn.edu
250 2.1.0 Ok
rcpt to: tyler.daddio@uconn.edu
250 2.1.5 Ok
DATA
354 End data with <CR><LF>.<CR><LF>
subject: Hello tyler
Hey tyler,

This is an email test for the lab! Should be fun!

--Jordan
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250 2.0.0 Ok: queued as C274A883
quit
221 2.0.0 Bye
Connection closed by foreign host.
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Figure 1: Transcript of SMTP session over telnet. My commands are in black; server response is blue