mget command

Description

The mget command is used to retrieve multiple files from a remote server directory and store them in the current local directory.

Syntax

mget FILE PATTERN [ignorecase]

Parameters

**FILE PATTERN (mandatory parameter)**

This parameter defines the remote files to be retrieved. You can use the following wildcard characters:

* \* (any string of characters)
* ? (any single character)
* [0-9], [A-Z] or [a-z] (range of characters)
* [...] replaces any characters enclosed by the brackets. The asterisk (\*) and question mark (?) lose their special meanings within a character
* class. If the first character following the opening bracket is an exclamation mark (!) or a caret (^), then any character not in the character class is matched. A hyphen (-) between two characters can be used to denote a range. A hyphen (-) at the beginning or end of the character class matches itself rather than referring to a range. A close bracket (]) immediately following the opening bracket ([) matches itself rather than indicating the end of the character class. Otherwise, it must be *escaped* with a backslash (\) to refer to itself.
* \ matches itself in most situations. However, when a special character such as an asterisk (\*) follows it, a backslash *escapes* the character, indicating that the special character should be interpreted as a normal character instead of having its special meaning.

Always enclose the file pattern in quotation marks (").

**ignorecase**

This option makes the FILE PATTERN case-insensitive.

Examples

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| mget \*.html # get all html files from remotedir (the current remote  directory) and store them in localdir (the current local directory) |

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| mget \*.xml # get all xml files from remotedir (the current remote  directory) and store them in localdir (the current local directory) |

mget [0-9]\*.xml # get all xml files, with a name starting with a digit,

from remotedir (the current remote directory) and store them in

localdir (the current local directory)