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Subject: Get time and date from a server using a socket

Posted by [natha](#) on Wed, 25 Feb 2009 23:26:00 GMT

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Hello people,

I'm trying to get the time and date from a public server using this code:

```
SOCKET, 1, servername, 13
date="
READF, 1, date
CLOSE, 1
PRINT, date
```

I tried to get the date from all the servers that I found in the following link: <http://tf.nist.gov/tf-cgi/servers.cgi>

The port 13 is the port for the daytime but I tried with 37 and 123 ports (time and NTP protocol).

I can't obtain a good result. Does anybody tried that ? Any suggestions or comments ?

Thanks in advance,

Bernat

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Subject: Re: Get time and date from a server using a socket

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Mon, 02 Mar 2009 18:34:34 GMT

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Rick Towler writes:

> The project has withered on the vine as I ended up doing it in  
> python (a phrase I seem to be saying more and more these days)

For me, it has been R, a language I like more and more. I suppose it is a race now between how quickly the dinosaurs fall off (or die), and how many new users can be recruited to use iTools and such.

As a matter of fact, I could probably model that function in R pretty quickly! :-)

Cheers,

David

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Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")

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