

Re: File Size Check

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On Jan 30, 9:17 am, "Pegasus \ (MVP)" <I...@xxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

"Tom Lavedas" <tglba...@xxxxxxx> wrote in message

news:b9f64c2a-1b5e-4e61-8e27-50d25e141556@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

On Jan 29, 6:24 pm, "Pegasus \ (MVP)" <I...@xxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

"Pete T" <Pe...@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message

news:5F353EE6-1A67-427C-B108-9A65A1C04438@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

I have a simple batch file that FTP's out to a server, logs in, retrieves a file and places it on my server and then here's where I run into a problem.

When it was written in XP the batch then checked the size of the file and if it was greater than 0, the batch ended and was done. If the file was not greater than 0, it slept for 20 minutes (echo sleep 1200) and then

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re-ran
the
FTP process.

Now that this is on Windows 2000, I can't figure out how to make it work.
Here are the two files that were run:

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@echo on
del para2.txt
echo open XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX >>
para2.txt
echo user XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX >>
para2.txt
echo binary >> para2.txt
echo hash on >> para2.txt
echo GET XXXXXXXXXXXX >> para2.txt
echo DEL XXXXXXXXXXXX >> para2.txt
echo quit >> para2.txt
progs.bat abc.123.tag
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@echo on
del %1
:START
ftp -n -s:para2.txt
if %~z1 GTR 0 goto :END
sleep 1200
goto :START
:END
del para2.txt
```

Any ideas on how to make this work in Windows 2000?

Since you're not reporting what exactly happens under Win2000, it's a little hard to say what's wrong. However, the batch file below will work both under WinXP and under Win2000. Note that for ease of maintenance it is now one single file.

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@echo off
set FileName=xxxxxxxxx
set Site=ftp.PeteT.com
set User=PeteT

echo> para2.txt open %Site%
echo>> para2.txt user %User%
echo>> para2.txt binary
echo>> para2.txt hash on
echo>> para2.txt GET %FileName%
echo>> para2.txt DEL %FileName%
echo>> para2.txt quit
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if exist %FileName% del %FileName%
:START
ftp -n -s:para2.txt
for %%a in (%FileName%) do if %%~za GTR 0 goto END
ping localhost -n 1200 > nul
goto :START
:end
del para2.txt
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First, not that I am offended by your choosing to answer, but why is this in microsoft.public.scripting.vbscript, since this is entirely a batch command question? I would think alt.msos.batch.nt would be a better NG or even microsoft.public.windows.server.scripting or microsoft.public.win2000.cmdprompt.admin (though this last one has extremely low activity).

Second, I think you have probably corrected his problem without explaining why, which I suspect is the missing SLEEP.EXE utility. Since there is no useful error information it's hard to be sure. However, SLEEP is part of the WinNT/2K/XP/2003 Resource Kit and not a standard part of the OS installation, therefore, it is reasonable to assume the OP's XP system has it installed and his 2K machine does not.

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As I said, the OP chose not to report any error messages, hence it was anyone's guess why his script would fail under Win2000. For all I know he might have had one of the countless "sleep" utilities on his machine.

However, since the only thing you did different was to substitute the ping delay for the SLEEP and the OP says it fixed the problem, it seems to be the issue. While I agree with the combination of the ftp script into the batch, I don't think that was the problem.

About answering a batch question in a scripting newsgroup: Your point is well taken and I would normally recommend that the OP posts his question in the appropriate newsgroup. Unfortunately there is no MS-sponsored newsgroup for batch file issues, and I hesitate to recommend the one you mention. I frequently have a problem with the attitude of some of the respondents in that group. Perhaps I'm just a little oversensitive.

I apologize if my response seemed like a criticism. It really wasn't meant in that vein.

Yes there are some snooty participants at the alt.msos.batch groups (as there are most everywhere), but there is a greater number of helpful batch savvy denizens there, I think. I stayed away for a long time for the very reasons to which you allude. But, all things considered, they are probably the last real places to get timely batch help. Besides, you have taken enough grief here over the past weeks regarding batch solutions.

The other two MS sponsored groups I mentioned are pretty eclectic, covering batch issues along with scripts and other topics.

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