WFinger Help

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Overview

WFinger is a Finger & Whois Winsock complaint client. It has the following features:

Finger service;
Whois service;
DNS lookup;
Finger Address book;
History of finger queries;
Text search capability;
Copy output to clipboard;
Print output;
Save output to file.

Installation

1. Make a subdirectory for WFinger.
2. Unzip WFinger to subdirectory made in previous step.
3. Copy ctl3d.dll to Windows system directory (WINDOWS).   There is a good   chance that ctl3d.dll is already installed in   your system since nearly all modern software uses it. You can try   to skip this step. If the program doesn't work, follow the step.
4. Add WFinger.EXE to a chosen program group.

Using   WFinger

Responsibility

Since this program is **<u>FREEWARE</u>** there is no responsibility or warranty. So use the program at your own risk. If you find any bugs or have comments please send me e-mail.

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Finger Query

Finger query starts by clicking **Finger button** or by hitting **Alt-N** hot key. A Finger dialog opens and you can type your query in form <u>user@host</u> or <u>host</u> or you can select one of your previous queries by opening the history drop down list by clicking on the down arrow. Check Full User Info for full output including plan files if desired. Click dialog Finger button or press Enter key. Cancel button closes dialog without performing Finger query.

WhoIs Query

Whois query can be started by clicking **WhoIs button** or by hitting **Alt-W** hot key. In a Whois dialog enter query string and choose Whois server from a list by clicking on the down array. Click dialog Whois button or press Enter key. You can Add a new Whois server name by typing it in a Whois server combobox. It will be saved automatically. You can also delete currently selected server name by clicking Delete button. Cancel button closes dialog and aborts Whois database search.

DNS Lookup

If you know IP address/Internet name of some host you can find out what its Internet name/IP address is with DNS lookup. DNS lookup can be started by clicking **DNS button** or by hitting **Alt-D** hot key. In a dialog type in IP address or   Internet host name you want to do lookup on and click Ok button or hit Enter key. Requested information will appear in a moment. It'll contain Internet host name, alias(es) and IP address. Click Ok button or press Enter key to close DNS info dialog.

Address Book

You can place your queries to Address Book. It can be opened by clicking **AddBook button** or by hitting **Alt-A** hot key. You can add, delete query entries or do a finger query of the selected book entry.
Address Book has the following commands:

New   (**Alt-N**)   -   Add new address to book;
Delete (**Alt-D**)   -   Delete selected address from book;
Finger   (**Alt-F**)   -   Do a finger query of selected entry
                                        (Double-clicking the item has same effect);
Cancel (**Alt-C**)   -   Exit Address Book without saving changes;
OK   (**Alt-K**)   -   Exit Address Book and save changes.

Add button/command opens the Address Book Entry window   where you can add a new address. Address Book has a tiny Notepad to keep information (user name, tel number etc) on selected address.

Cancel Button

You can cancel active query by clicking Cancel button or by hitting Alt-C.

Clear Button

Contents of the window can be cleared up by clicking Clear button or by hitting Shift-Del hot key.

Menu Commands

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Input in form **user@host** returns information on specified user

Input in form **host** returns list of all currently logged-in users.

File menu

Save As   - Save results of query to a file. The command is enabled only if there is text in window.

Print   - Print results of query. The command is enabled only if there is text in window.

Printer Setup - Choose and setup a printer.

Exit   - Exit the program.

Edit menu

Copy - Copy selected text to ClipBoard. The command is enabled only if there is text selected in window.

Clear - Clear up window. The command is enabled only if there is text selected in window.

Select All - Select all text in window. The command is enabled only, if there is text in window.

Search menu

Find Text   - Open search dialog. The command is enabled only, if there is text in window.

Options menu

History list - If checked list of finger queries is kept (saved).

Font   - Choose font for a window.

About menu

About   - Shows WFinger about info.