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1 HTTP Client

```
(require net/http-client) package: base
```

The net/http-client library provides utilities to use the HTTP protocol.

```
(http-conn? x) \rightarrow boolean? x : any/c
```

Identifies an HTTP connection.

```
(http-conn-live? x) \rightarrow boolean? x : any/c
```

Identifies an HTTP connection that is "live", i.e., one that is still connected to the server.

```
(http-conn-liveable? x) → boolean?
x : any/c
```

Identifies an HTTP connection that can be made "live", i.e., one for which http-connsend! is valid. Either the HTTP connection is already http-conn-live?, or it can autoreconnect.

```
(\text{http-conn}) \rightarrow \text{http-conn}?
```

Returns a fresh HTTP connection.

Uses hc to connect to host on port port using SSL if ssl? is not #f (using ssl? as an argument to ssl-connect to, for example, check certificates). If auto-reconnect? is #t, then the HTTP connection is going to try to auto-reconnect for subsequent requests. That is, if the connection is closed when performing http-conn-send! or http-conn-recv!, then http-conn-enliven! is going to be called on it.

If hc is live, the connection is closed.

Calls http-conn-open! with a fresh connection, which is returned.

```
(http-conn-close! hc) → void?
hc : http-conn?
```

Closes hc if it is live.

```
(http-conn-abandon! hc) → void?
hc : http-conn?
```

Closes the output side of hc, if it is live.

```
(http-conn-enliven! hc) → void?
hc : http-conn?
```

Reconnects *hc* to the server, if it is *not* live but it is configured to auto-reconnect.

```
(http-conn-send! hc
                [#:version version
                 #:method method
                 #:close? close?
                 #:headers headers
                 #:content-decode decodes
                 #:data data])
                                         → void?
 hc : http-conn-liveable?
 uri : (or/c bytes? string?)
 version : (or/c bytes? string?) = #"1.1"
 method : (or/c bytes? string? symbol?) = #"GET"
 close? : boolean? = #f
 headers : (listof (or/c bytes? string?)) = empty
 decodes : (listof symbol?) = '(gzip deflate)
 data : (or/c #f bytes? string? data-procedure/c) = #f
```

Sends an HTTP request to hc to the URI uri using HTTP version version, the method method, and the additional headers given in headers and the additional data data. If

method is #"HEAD" (or "HEAD" or 'HEAD), provide the same method when calling http-conn-recv! to avoid attempting to receive content.

If data is a procedure, it will be called once with a procedure of one argument, which is a string or byte string to be written to the request body using chunked transfer encoding.

If headers does not contain an Accept-Encoding header, then a header indicating that encodings from decodes are accepted is automatically added.

If *close*? is #t and *headers* does not contain a **Connection** header, then a **Connection**: close header will be added (currently, 'gzip and 'deflate are supported).

This function does not support requests that expect 100 (Continue) responses.

Changed in version 7.6.0.9 of package base: Added support for 'deflate decoding.

Parses an HTTP response from *hc* for the method *method* while decoding the encodings listed in *decodes*.

Returns the status line, a list of headers, and an input port which contains the contents of the response. The port's content must be consumed before the connection is used further.

If *close?* is #t, then the connection will be closed following the response parsing. If *close?* is #f, then the connection is only closed if the server instructs the client to do so.

Changed in version 6.1.1.6 of package base: Added the #:method argument. Changed in version 7.6.0.9: Added support for 'deflate decoding.

```
hc : http-conn-liveable?
uri : (or/c bytes? string?)
version : (or/c bytes? string?) = #"1.1"
method : (or/c bytes? string? symbol?) = #"GET"
headers : (listof (or/c bytes? string?)) = empty
data : (or/c #f bytes? string? data-procedure/c) = #f
decodes : (listof symbol?) = '(gzip deflate)
close? : boolean? = #f
```

Calls http-conn-send! and http-conn-recv! in sequence.

Changed in version 7.6.0.9 of package base: Added support for 'deflate decoding.

```
(http-sendrecv host
               uri
              [#:ssl? ssl?
               #:port port
               #:version version
               #:method method
               #:headers headers
               #:data data
               #:content-decode decodes])
→ bytes? (listof bytes?) input-port?
 host : (or/c bytes? string?)
 uri : (or/c bytes? string?)
 ssl?: base-ssl?-tnl/c = #f
 port : (between/c 1 65535) = (if ssl? 443 80)
 version : (or/c bytes? string?) = #"1.1"
 method : (or/c bytes? string? symbol?) = #"GET"
 headers : (listof (or/c bytes? string?)) = empty
 data : (or/c #f bytes? string? data-procedure/c) = #f
 decodes : (listof symbol?) = '(gzip deflate)
```

Calls http-conn-send! and http-conn-recv! in sequence on a fresh HTTP connection produced by http-conn-open.

The HTTP connection is not returned, so it is always closed after one response, which is why there is no #:closed? argument like http-conn-recv!.

Changed in version 7.6.0.9 of package base: Added support for 'deflate decoding.

Creates an HTTP connection to *proxy-host* (on port *proxy-port*) and invokes the HTTP "CONNECT" method to provide a tunnel to *target-host* (on port *target-port*).

The SSL context or symbol, if any, provided in ssl? is applied to the gateway ports using ports->ssl-ports (or ports->win32-ssl-ports).

The function returns four values:

- The first value is #f if ssl? is #f, otherwise it is an ssl-client-context? that has been negotiated with the target. In the latter case,
 - if ssl? is #t or a symbol, the ssl-client-context? is created with ssl-make-client-context, where #t means 'auto;
 - if ssl? is ssl-client-context?, it is used as is.
- The second value is an input port from the tunnelled service.
- The third value is an output port to the tunnelled service.
- The fourth value is an abandon function, which when applied to either returned port, will abandon it, in a manner similar to tcp-abandon-port.

```
data-procedure/c : chaperone-contract?
```

Contract for a procedure that accepts a procedure of one argument, which is a string or byte string: (-> (or/c bytes? string?) void?) any).

```
base-ssl?/c : flat-contract?
```

Base contract for the definition of the SSL context (passed in ssl?) of an http-conn-CONNECT-tunnel:

```
(or/c boolean? ssl-client-context? symbol?).
```

If ssl? is not #f, then ssl? is used as an argument to ssl-connect to, for example, check certificates.

```
base-ssl?-tnl/c : contract?
```

Contract for a base-ss1?/c that might have been applied to a tunnel. It is either a base-ss1?/c, or a base-ss1?/c consed onto a list of an input-port?, output-port?, and an abandon function (e.g., tcp-abandon-port):

```
(or/c base-ssl?/c (list/c base-ssl?/c input-port? output-port? (->
port? void?)))
```

1.1 Troubleshooting and Tips

1.1.1 How do I send properly formatted POST form requests?

You should send a Content-Type header with the value application/x-www-form-urlencoded and send the data formatted by net/uricodec's form-urlencoded-encode function. For example,

2 URLs and HTTP

```
(require net/url) package: base
```

The net/url library provides utilities to parse and manipulate URIs, as specified in RFC 2396 [RFC2396], and to use the HTTP protocol.

To access the text of a document from the web, first obtain its URL as a string. Convert the address into a url structure using string->url. Then, open the document using get-pure-port or get-impure-port, depending on whether or not you wish to examine its MIME headers. At this point, you have a regular input port with which to process the document, as with any other file.

Currently the only supported protocols are "http", "https", and sometimes "file".

The net/url logs information and background-thread errors to a logger named 'net/url.

2.1 URL Structure

```
(require net/url-structs)
package: base
```

The URL structure types are provided by the net/url-structs library, and re-exported by net/url and net/url-string.

```
(struct url (scheme
             user
             host
             port
             path-absolute?
             path
             query
             fragment)
   #:extra-constructor-name make-url)
 scheme : (or/c #f string?)
 user : (or/c #f string?)
 host : (or/c #f string?)
 port : (or/c #f exact-nonnegative-integer?)
 path-absolute? : boolean?
 path : (listof path/param?)
 query : (listof (cons/c symbol? (or/c #f string?)))
 fragment : (or/c #f string?)
```

The basic structure for all URLs, which is explained in RFC 3986 [RFC3986]. The following diagram illustrates the parts:

The strings inside the user, path, query, and fragment fields are represented directly as Racket strings, without URL-syntax-specific quoting. The procedures string->url and url->string translate encodings such as %20 into spaces and back again.

By default, query associations are parsed with either; or & as a separator, and they are generated with & as a separator. The current-alist-separator-mode parameter adjusts the behavior.

An empty string at the end of the path list corresponds to a URL that ends in a slash. For example, the result of (string->url "http://racket-lang.org/a/") has a path field with strings "a" and "", while the result of (string->url "http://racket-lang.org/a") has a path field with only the string "a".

When a "file" URL is represented by a url structure, the path field is mostly a list of path elements. For Unix paths, the root directory is not included in path; its presence or absence is implicit in the path-absolute? flag. For Windows paths, the first element typically represents a drive, but a UNC path is represented by a first element that is "" and then successive elements complete the drive components that are separated by // or /.

```
(struct path/param (path param)
   #:extra-constructor-name make-path/param)
path : (or/c string? (or/c 'up 'same))
param : (listof string?)
```

A pair that joins a path segment with its params in a URL.

2.2 URL Parsing Functions

```
(require net/url-string) package: base
```

The functions used to convert strings and paths to from URL structure types and back again are provided by the net/url-string library, and re-exported by net/url.

```
url-regexp : regexp?
```

A regexp value that can be useful for matching URL strings. Mostly follows RFC 3986 [RFC3986], Appendix B, except for using * instead of + for the scheme part (see url).

Added in version 6.4.0.7 of package base.

```
(string->url\ str) \rightarrow url?
 str: url-regexp
```

Parses the URL specified by str into a url struct. The string->url procedure uses form-urlencoded->alist when parsing the query, so it is sensitive to the current-alist-separator-mode parameter for determining the association separator.

The contract on str insists that, if the URL has a scheme, then the scheme begins with a letter and consists only of letters, numbers, \pm , \equiv , and \pm characters.

If str starts with file: (case-insensitively) and the value of the file-url-path-convention-type parameter is 'windows, then special parsing rules apply to accommodate ill-formed but widely-recognized path encodings:

- If file: is followed by //, a letter, and :, then the // is stripped and the remainder parsed as a Windows path.
- If file: is followed by \(\), then the \(\) is stripped and the remainder parsed as a Windows path.

In both of these cases, the host is "", the port is #f, and path-element decoding (which extract parameters or replaces %20 with a space, for example) is not applied to the path.

Changed in version 6.3.0.1 of package base: Changed handling of file: URLs when the value of file-url-path-convention-type is 'windows.

Changed in version 6.4.0.7: Use more specific regexp for input contract.

Changed in version 6.5.0.3: Support a host as an IPv6 literal address as written in [...].

```
(combine-url/relative base relative) → url?
base : url?
relative : string?
```

Given a base URL and a relative path, combines the two and returns a new URL as per the URL combination specification. They are combined according to the rules in RFC 3986 [RFC3986].

This function does not raise any exceptions.

```
(netscape/string->url str) → url?
  str : string?
```

Turns a string into a URL, applying (what appear to be) Netscape's conventions on automatically specifying the scheme: a string starting with a slash gets the scheme "file", while all others get the scheme "http".

```
(url->string URL) → string?
URL : url?
```

Generates a string corresponding to the contents of a url struct. For a "file:" URL, the URL must not be relative, and the result always starts file://. For a URL with a host, user, or port, its path must be either absolute or empty.

The url->string procedure uses alist->form-urlencoded when formatting the query, so it is sensitive to the current-alist-separator-mode parameter for determining the association separator. The default is to separate associations with a &.

The encoding of path segments and fragment is sensitive to the current-url-encode-mode parameter.

Changed in version 6.5.0.3 of package base: Support a host as an IPv6 literals addresses by writing the address in [...].

```
(path->url path) → url?
  path : (or/c path-string? path-for-some-system?)
```

Converts a path to a url.

With the 'unix path convention, the host in the resulting URL is always "", and the path is absolute from the root.

With the 'windows path convention and a UNC path, the machine part of the UNC root is used as the URL's host, and the drive part of the root is the first element of the URL's path.

Changed in version 6.3.0.1 of package base: Changed 'windows encoding of UNC paths.

```
(url->path URL [kind]) → path-for-some-system?
  URL : url?
  kind : (or/c 'unix 'windows) = (system-path-convention-type)
```

Converts URL, which is assumed to be a "file" URL, to a path.

For the 'unix path convention, the URL's host is ignored, and the URL's path is formed relative to the root.

For the 'windows path convention:

• A non-"" value for the URL's host field creates a UNC path, where the host is the UNC root's machine name, the URL's path must be non-empty, and the first element of the URL's path is used as the drive part of the UNC root.

- For legacy reasons, if the URL's host is "", the URL's path contains at least three elements, and and the first element of the URL's path is also "", then a UNC path is created by using the second and third elements of the path as the UNC root's machine and drive, respectively.
- Otherwise, the URL's path is converted to a Windows path. The result is an absolute path if the URL's first path element corresponds to a drive, otherwise the result is a relative path (even though URLs are not intended to represent relative paths).

Changed in version 6.3.0.1 of package base: Changed 'windows treatment of a non-"" host.

Converts path to a string that parses as a relative URL (with forward slashes). Each element of path is an element of the resulting URL path, and the string form of each element is encoded as needed. If path is syntactically a directory, then the resulting URL ends with ...

```
(file-url-path-convention-type) → (or/c 'unix 'windows)
(file-url-path-convention-type kind) → void?
  kind : (or/c 'unix 'windows)
```

Determines the default conversion from strings for "file" URLs; see string->url.

```
(current-url-encode-mode) → (or/c 'recommended 'unreserved)
(current-url-encode-mode mode) → void?
  mode : (or/c 'recommended 'unreserved)
```

Determines how url->string encodes !!, *, !!, (, and) in path segments and fragments: 'recommended leave them as-is, while 'unreserved encodes them using %. The 'recommended mode corresponds to the recommendations of RFC 2396 [RFC2396], but 'unreserved avoids characters that are in some contexts mistaken for delimiters around URLs.

Internally, 'recommended mode uses uri-path-segment-encode and uri-encode, while 'unreserved mode uses uri-path-segment-unreserved-encode and uri-unreserved-encode.

2.3 URL Functions

An HTTP connection is created as a *pure port* or a *impure port*. A pure port is one from which the MIME headers have been removed, so that what remains is purely the first content fragment. An impure port is one that still has its MIME headers.

Initiates a GET/HEAD/DELETE/OPTIONS request for *URL* and returns a pure port corresponding to the body of the response. The optional list of strings can be used to send header lines to the server.

The GET method is used to retrieve whatever information is identified by *URL*. If *redirections* is not 0, then get-pure-port will follow redirections from the server, up to the limit given by *redirections*.

The HEAD method is identical to GET, except the server must not return a message body. The meta-information returned in a response to a HEAD request should be identical to the information in a response to a GET request.

The DELETE method is used to delete the entity identified by URL.

Beware: By default, "https" scheme handling does not verify a server's certificate (i.e., it's equivalent of clicking through a browser's warnings), so communication is safe, but the identity of the server is not verified. To validate the server's certificate, set current-https-protocol to 'secure or a context created with ssl-secure-client-context.

The "file" scheme for URLs is handled only by get-pure-port, which uses open-input-file, does not handle exceptions, and ignores the optional strings.

Changed in version 6.1.1.8 of package base: Added options-pure-port.

```
(get-impure-port URL [header]) → input-port?
  URL : url?
  header : (listof string?) = null
(head-impure-port URL [header]) → input-port?
  URL : url?
  header : (listof string?) = null
```

```
(delete-impure-port URL [header]) → input-port?
  URL : url?
  header : (listof string?) = null
(options-impure-port URL [header]) → input-port?
  URL : url?
  header : (listof string?) = null
```

Like get-pure-port, etc., but the resulting impure port contains both the returned headers and the body. The "file" URL scheme is not handled by these functions.

Changed in version 6.1.1.8 of package base: Added options-impure-port.

```
(post-pure-port URL post [header]) → input-port?
  URL : url?
  post : bytes?
  header : (listof string?) = null
(put-pure-port URL post [header]) → input-port?
  URL : url?
  post : bytes?
  header : (listof string?) = null
```

Initiates a POST/PUT request for *URL* and sends the *post* byte string. The result is a pure port, which contains the body of the response is returned. The optional list of strings can be used to send header lines to the server.

Beware: See get-pure-port for warnings about "https" certificate validation.

```
(post-impure-port URL post [header]) → input-port?
  URL : url?
  post : bytes?
  header : (listof string?) = null
(put-impure-port URL post [header]) → input-port?
  URL : url?
  post : bytes?
  header : (listof string?) = null
```

Like post-pure-port and put-pure-port, but the resulting impure port contains both the returned headers and body.

```
(display-pure-port in) → void?
  in : input-port?
```

Writes the output of a pure port, which is useful for debugging purposes.

```
(purify-port in) → string?
  in : input-port?
```

Purifies a port, returning the MIME headers, plus a leading line for the form $\frac{\text{HTTP}}{\langle vers \rangle} \langle code \rangle \langle message \rangle$, where $\langle vers \rangle$ is something like 1.0 or 1.1, $\langle code \rangle$ is an exact integer for the response code, and $\langle message \rangle$ is arbitrary text without a return or newline.

The net/head library provides procedures, such as extract-field for manipulating the header.

Since web servers sometimes return mis-formatted replies, purify-port is liberal in what it accepts as a header. as a result, the result string may be ill formed, but it will either be the empty string, or it will be a string matching the following regexp:

```
\mbox{ $\#rx$"$^HTTP/.*?(\r\n\r\n|\n\r\r"}
```

This function is an alternative to calling get-impure-port (or head-impure-port, delete-impure-port, or options-impure-port) and purify-port when needing to follow redirections. It also supports HTTP/1.1 connections, which are used when the *connection* argument is not #f.

The get-pure-port/headers function performs a request specified by method (GET by default) on url, follows up to redirections redirections, and returns a port containing the data as well as the headers for the final connection. If status? is true, then the status line is included in the result string.

A given *connection* should be used for communication with a particular HTTP/1.1 server, unless *connection* is closed (via http-connection-close) between uses for different servers. If *connection* is provided, read all data from the result port before making a new request with the same *connection*. (Reusing a *connection* without reading all data may or may not work.)

Changed in version 7.7.0.1 of package base: Added the #:method argument.

```
(http-connection? v) → boolean?
  v : any/c
(make-http-connection) → http-connection?
(http-connection-close connection) → void?
  connection : http-connection?
```

A HTTP connection value represents a potentially persistent connection with a HTTP/1.1 server for use with get-pure-port/headers.

The make-http-connection creates a "connection" that is initially unconnected. Each call to get-pure-port/headers leaves a connection either connected or unconnected, depending on whether the server allows the connection to continue. The http-connection-close function unconnects, but it does not prevent further use of the connection value.

```
(call/input-url URL connect handle) → any
   URL : url?
   connect : (url? . -> . input-port?)
   handle : (input-port? . -> . any)
(call/input-url URL connect handle header) → any
   URL : url?
   connect : (url? (listof string?) . -> . input-port?)
   handle : (input-port? . -> . any)
   header : (listof string?)
```

Given a URL and a *connect* procedure like get-pure-port to convert the URL to an input port (either a pure port or impure port), calls the *handle* procedure on the port and closes the port on return. The result of the *handle* procedure is the result of call/input-url.

When a header argument is supplied, it is passed along to the connect procedure.

The connection is made in such a way that the port is closed before call/input-url returns, no matter how it returns. In particular, it is closed if <code>handle</code> raises an exception, or if the connection process is interrupted by an asynchronous break exception.

```
(current-proxy-servers)
  → (listof (list/c string? string? (integer-in 0 65535)))
(current-proxy-servers mapping) → void?
  mapping : (listof (list/c string? string? (integer-in 0 65535)))
proxiable-url-schemes : (listof string?)
  = '("http" "https" "git")
```

The current-proxy-servers parameter determines a mapping of proxy servers used for connections. Each mapping is a list of three elements:

• the URL scheme, such as "http", where proxiable-url-schemes lists the URL schemes that can be proxied

- the proxy server address; and
- the proxy server port number.

The initial value of current-proxy-servers is configured on demand from environment variables. Proxies for each URL scheme are configured from the following variables:

- plt_http_proxy, PLT_HTTP_PROXY, http_proxy, HTTP_PROXY, all_proxy, and ALL_PROXY, configure the HTTP proxy, where the former takes precedence over the latter. HTTP requests will be proxied using an HTTP proxy server connection
- plt_https_proxy, PLT_HTTPS_PROXY, https_proxy, HTTPS_PROXY, all_proxy, ALL_PROXY, configure the HTTPS proxy, where the former takes precedence over the latter. HTTPS connections are proxied using an HTTP "CONNECT" tunnel
- plt_git_proxy, PLT_GIT_PROXY, git_proxy, GIT_PROXY, all_proxy, ALL_PROXY, configure the GIT proxy, where the former takes precedence over the latter. GIT connections are proxied using an HTTP "CONNECT" tunnel

Each environment variable contains a single URL of the form http://knostname: http://knostname: provided, a warning will be logged to a net/url logger.

The default mapping is the empty list (i.e., no proxies).

```
(current-no-proxy-servers) → (listof (or/c string? regexp?))
(current-no-proxy-servers dest-hosts-list) → void?
  dest-hosts-list : (listof (or/c string? regexp?))
```

A parameter that determines which servers will be accessed directly, i.e., without resort to current-proxy-servers. It is a list of

- · strings that match host names exactly; and
- regexps that match host by pattern.

If a proxy server is defined for a URL scheme, then the destination host name is checked against current-no-proxy-servers. The proxy is used if and only if the host name does not match (by the definition above) any in the list.

The initial value of current-no-proxy-servers is configured on demand from the environment variables plt_no_proxy and no_proxy, where the former takes precedence over the latter. Each environment variable's value is parsed as a comma-separated list of "patterns," where a pattern is one of:

This parsing is consistent with the

no_proxy
environment
variable used by
other software,
albeit not consistent
with
the regexps stored in

current-no-proxy-servers.

- a string beginning with a . (period): converted to a regexp that performs a suffix match on a destination host name; e.g., .racket-lang.org matches destinations of doc.racket-lang.org, pkgs.racket-lang.org, but neither doc.bracket-lang.org nor pkgs.racket-lang.org.uk;
- any other string: converted to a regexp that matches the string exactly.

```
(proxy-server-for url-schm [dest-host-name])
  → (or/c (list/c string? string? (integer-in 0 65535)) #f)
  url-schm : string?
  dest-host-name : (or/c #f string?) = #f
```

Returns the proxy server entry for the combination of *url-schm* and host, or #f if no proxy is to be used.

```
(url-exception? x) \rightarrow boolean?
 x : any/c
```

Identifies an error thrown by URL functions.

Calls http-sendrecv using u to populate the host, URI, port, and SSL parameters.

This function does not support proxies.

Changed in version 7.6.0.9 of package base: Added support for 'deflate decoding.

```
(tcp-or-tunnel-connect scheme host port)
  → input-port? output-port?
  scheme : string?
  host : string?
  port : (between/c 1 65535)
```

If (proxy-server-for scheme host), then the proxy is used to http-conn-CONNECT-tunnel to host (on port port).

Otherwise the call is equivalent to (tcp-connect host port).

2.4 URL HTTPS mode

```
(require net/url-connect) package: base
```

These bindings are provided by the net/url-connect library, and used by net/url.

```
(current-https-protocol) → (or/c ssl-client-context? symbol?)
(current-https-protocol protocol) → void?
  protocol : (or/c ssl-client-context? symbol?)
```

A parameter that determines the connection mode for "https" connections; the parameter value is passed as the third argument to ssl-connect when creating an "https" connection. Set this parameter to validate a server's certificates, for example, as described with get-pure-port.

2.5 URL Unit

```
(require net/url-unit) package: compatibility-lib
url@ : unit?
```

Imports tcp^, exports url+scheme^.

The url+scheme^ signature contains current-connect-scheme, which url@ binds to a parameter. The parameter is set to the scheme of a URL when tcp-connect is called to create a connection. A tcp-connect variant linked to url@ can check this parameter to choose the connection mode; in particular, net/url supplies a tcp-connect that actually uses ssl-connect when (current-connect-scheme) produces "https".

Note that net/url does not provide the current-connect-scheme parameter.

2.6 URL Signature

```
(require net/url-sig) package: compatibility-lib
url^ : signature
```

Includes everything exported by the net/url module except currenthttps-protocol and current-url-encode-mode. Note that the exports of net/url and the url^ signature do not include current-connect-scheme.

```
url+scheme^ : signature
```

url@, url^, and url+scheme^ are deprecated. They exist for backwardcompatibility and will likely be removed in the future. New code should use the net/url module. Adds current-connect-scheme to url^.

3 URI Codec: Encoding and Decoding URIs

```
(require net/uri-codec) package: base
```

The net/uri-codec module provides utilities for encoding and decoding strings using the URI encoding rules given in RFC 2396 [RFC2396], and to encode and decode name/value pairs using the application/x-www-form-urlencoded mimetype given in the HTML 4.0 specification. There are minor differences between the two encodings.

The URI encoding allows a few characters to be represented as-is: a through \mathbb{Z} , \mathbb{A} through \mathbb{Z} , 0-9, \mathbb{Z} , \mathbb{Z} is the two-character hex representation of the integer value of the character (where the mapping character-integer is determined by US-ASCII if the integer is less than 128).

The encoding, in line with RFC 2396's recommendation, represents a character as-is, if possible. The decoding allows any characters to be represented by their hex values, and allows characters to be incorrectly represented as-is. The library provides "unreserved" encoders that encode \mathbb{I} , *, \mathbb{I} , (, and) using their hex representation, which is not recommended by RFC 2396 but avoids problems with some contexts.

The rules for the application/x-www-form-urlencoded mimetype given in the HTML 4.0 spec are:

- Control names and values are escaped. Space characters are replaced by ₱, and then reserved characters are escaped as described in RFC 1738, section 2.2: Non-alphanumeric characters are replaced by %⟨xx⟩ representing the ASCII code of the character. Line breaks are represented as CRLF pairs: %OD%OA. Note that RFC 2396 supersedes RFC 1738 [RFC1738].
- The control names/values are listed in the order they appear in the document. The name is separated from the value by = and name/value pairs are separated from each other by either; or &. When encoding, ; is used as the separator by default. When decoding, both; and & are parsed as separators by default.

These application/x-www-form-urlencoded rules differs slightly from the straight encoding in RFC 2396 in that # is allowed, and it represents a space. The net/uri-codec library follows this convention, encoding a space as # and decoding # as a space. In addition, since there appear to be some broken decoders on the web, the library also encodes !, ~, ., (, and) using their hex representation, which is the same choice as made by the Java's URLEncoder.

3.1 Functions

```
(uri-encode str) \rightarrow string? str: string?
```

Encode a string using the URI encoding rules.

```
(uri-decode str) \rightarrow string? str : string?
```

Decode a string using the URI decoding rules.

```
(uri-path-segment-encode str) → string?
str : string?
```

Encodes a string according to the rules in [RFC3986] for path segments.

```
(uri-path-segment-decode str) → string?
str : string?
```

Decodes a string according to the rules in [RFC3986] for path segments.

```
(uri-userinfo-encode str) → string?
str : string?
```

Encodes a string according to the rules in [RFC3986] for the userinfo field.

```
(uri-userinfo-decode str) → string?
str : string?
```

Decodes a string according to the rules in [RFC3986] for the userinfo field.

```
(uri-unreserved-encode str) → string?
  str : string?
```

Encodes a string according to the rules in [RFC3986](section 2.3) for the unreserved characters.

```
(uri-unreserved-decode str) → string?
str : string?
```

Decodes a string according to the rules in [RFC3986](section 2.3) for the unreserved characters.

```
(uri-path-segment-unreserved-encode str) → string?
str : string?
```

Encodes a string according to the rules in [RFC3986] for path segments, but also encodes characters that <u>uri-unreserved-encode</u> encodes and that <u>uri-encode</u> does not.

```
(uri-path-segment-unreserved-decode str) → string?
str : string?
```

Decodes a string according to the rules in [RFC3986] for path segments.

```
(form-urlencoded-encode str) → string?
str : string?
```

Encode a string using the application/x-www-form-urlencoded encoding rules. The result string contains no non-ASCII characters.

```
(form-urlencoded-decode str) → string?
str : string?
```

Decode a string encoded using the application/x-www-form-urlencoded encoding rules.

```
(alist->form-urlencoded alist) → string?
  alist : (listof (cons/c symbol? (or/c #f string?)))
```

Encode an association list using the application/x-www-form-urlencoded encoding rules.

The current-alist-separator-mode parameter determines the separator used in the result.

```
(form-urlencoded->alist str)
    → (listof (cons/c symbol? (or/c #f string?)))
    str : string
```

Decode a string encoded using the application/x-www-form-urlencoded encoding rules into an association list. All keys are case-folded for conversion to symbols.

The current-alist-separator-mode parameter determines the way that separators are parsed in the input.

```
(current-alist-separator-mode)
  → (or/c 'amp 'semi 'amp-or-semi 'semi-or-amp)
(current-alist-separator-mode mode) → void?
  mode : (or/c 'amp 'semi 'amp-or-semi 'semi-or-amp)
```

A parameter that determines the separator used/recognized between associations in form-urlencoded->alist, alist->form-urlencoded, url->string, and string->url.

The default value is 'amp-or-semi, which means that both & and ; are treated as separators when parsing, and & is used as a separator when encoding. The 'semi-or-amp mode is similar, but ; is used when encoding. The other modes use/recognize only one of the separators.

Examples:

```
> (define ex '((x . "foo") (y . "bar") (z . "baz")))
> (current-alist-separator-mode 'amp); try 'amp...
> (form-urlencoded->alist "x=foo&y=bar&z=baz")
'((x . "foo") (y . "bar") (z . "baz"))
> (form-urlencoded->alist "x=foo;y=bar;z=baz")
'((x . "foo;y=bar;z=baz"))
> (alist->form-urlencoded ex)
"x=foo&y=bar&z=baz"
> (current-alist-separator-mode 'semi); try 'semi...
> (form-urlencoded->alist "x=foo;y=bar;z=baz")
'((x . "foo") (y . "bar") (z . "baz"))
> (form-urlencoded->alist "x=foo&y=bar&z=baz")
'((x . "foo&y=bar&z=baz"))
> (alist->form-urlencoded ex)
"x=foo;y=bar;z=baz"
> (current-alist-separator-mode 'amp-or-semi); try 'amp-or-
> (form-urlencoded->alist "x=foo&y=bar&z=baz")
'((x . "foo") (y . "bar") (z . "baz"))
> (form-urlencoded->alist "x=foo;y=bar;z=baz")
'((x . "foo") (y . "bar") (z . "baz"))
> (alist->form-urlencoded ex)
"x=foo&y=bar&z=baz"
> (current-alist-separator-mode 'semi-or-amp); try 'semi-or-
amp...
> (form-urlencoded->alist "x=foo&y=bar&z=baz")
'((x . "foo") (y . "bar") (z . "baz"))
> (form-urlencoded->alist "x=foo;y=bar;z=baz")
'((x . "foo") (y . "bar") (z . "baz"))
> (alist->form-urlencoded ex)
"x=foo;y=bar;z=baz"
```

3.2 URI Codec Unit

```
(require net/uri-codec-unit) package: compatibility-lib
```

uri-codec@ and uri-codec^ are deprecated. They exist for backwardcompatibility and will likely be removed in the future. New code should use the net/uri-codec module.

```
uri-codec@ : unit?
```

Imports nothing, exports uri-codec^.

3.3 URI Codec Signature

```
(require net/uri-codec-sig) package: compatibility-lib
uri-codec^ : signature
```

Includes everything exported by the net/uri-codec module except uri-path-segment-unreserved-encode and uri-path-segment-unreserved-decode.

4 FTP: Client

```
(require net/ftp) package: net-lib
```

The net/ftp library provides utilities for FTP client operations.

4.1 Functions

```
(ftp-connection? v) → boolean?
v : any/c
```

Returns #t if v represents an FTP connection as returned by ftp-establish-connection, #f otherwise.

Establishes an FTP connection with the given server using the supplied username and password. The *port-no* argument usually should be 21.

If ports->ssl-ports is not #f, the connection is negotiated to an FTPS connection, and ports->ssl-ports is responsible for converting ports to an SSL channel.

Changed in version 1.1 of package net-lib: Added the #:ports->ssl-ports option.

```
(ftp-establish-connection*
   in
   out
   user
   passwd
  [#:ports->ssl-ports ports->ssl-ports])
  → ftp-connection?
   in : input-port?
```

Like ftp-establish-connection, but accepts input and output ports instead of a server address and port number.

```
(ftp-close-connection ftp-conn) → void?
ftp-conn : ftp-connection?
```

Closes an FTP connection.

```
(ftp-cd ftp-conn new-dir) → void?
 ftp-conn : ftp-connection?
 new-dir : string?
```

Changes the current directory on the FTP server to new-dir. The new-dir argument is not interpreted at all, but simply passed on to the server; it must not contain a newline.

Returns a list of files and directories in the current directory of the server, assuming that the server provides directory information in the quasi-standard Unix format. If a *path* argument is given, use it instead of the current directory.

Each file or directory is represented by a list of three or four strings. The first string is either "-", "d", or "l", depending on whether the items is a file, directory, or link, respectively. The second item is the file's date; to convert this value to seconds consistent with fileseconds, pass the date string to ftp-make-file-seconds. The third string is the name of the file or directory. If the item is a file (the first string is "-"), and if the line that the server replied with has a size in the expected place, then a fourth string containing this size is included.

Warning: the FTP protocol has no specification for the reply format, so this information can be unreliable.

```
(ftp-make-file-seconds ftp-date) → exact-integer?
ftp-date : string?
```

Takes a date string produced by ftp-directory-list and converts it to seconds (which can be used with seconds->date).

Warning: the FTP protocol has no specification for the reply format, so this information can be unreliable.

If <code>local-dir-or-port</code> is a <code>path-string?</code>, <code>ftp-download-file</code> downloads <code>file</code> from the server's current directory and puts it in <code>local-dir-or-port</code> using the same name. If the file already exists in the local directory, it is replaced, but only after the transfer succeeds (i.e., the file is first downloaded to a temporary file in <code>local-dir-or-port</code>, then moved into place on success).

When *local-dir-or-port* is an output-port?, it downloads *file* from the server's current directory and writes its content to provided output-port?. The data is written to the port as it is being received from the server and if the download is interrupted, incomplete data is written to the port. The port is closed after finishing the transfer.

If progress-proc is not #f, then it is called with a function get-count that returns two values: the number of bytes transferred so far, and an event that becomes ready when the transferred-bye count changes. The get-count function can be called in any thread and any number of times. The progress-proc function should return immediately, perhaps starting a thread that periodically polls get-count. Do not poll too frequently, or else polling will slow the transfer; the second argument from get-count is intended to limit polling.

When *port* is #f, upload *file-path* to the server's current directory using the same name. If the file already exists in the remote directory, it is replaced. The *progress-proc* argument is used in the same way as in ftp-download-file, but to report uploaded bytes instead of downloaded bytes.

If *port* is an input-port?, the content of that port is streamed as upload to the server and stored under given *file-path* name. The port is closed after finishing the transfer.

```
(ftp-delete-file ftp-conn file-path) → void?
  ftp-conn : ftp-connection?
  file-path : path-string?
```

Delete the remote file use the file-path on the server.

```
(ftp-make-directory ftp-conn dir-name) → void?
  ftp-conn : ftp-connection?
  dir-name : string?
```

Make remote directory use the dir-name.

```
(ftp-delete-directory ftp-conn dir-name) → void?
  ftp-conn : ftp-connection?
  dir-name : string?
```

Delete remote directory use the dir-name.

```
(ftp-rename-file ftp-conn origin dest) → void?
  ftp-conn : ftp-connection?
  origin : string?
  dest : string?
```

Rename remote file name from origin to dest.

4.2 FTP Unit

```
(require net/ftp-unit) package: compatibility-lib

ftp@ : unit?
```

Imports nothing, exports ftp^.

4.3 FTP Signature

```
(require net/ftp-sig) package: compatibility-lib
ftp^ : signature
```

Includes everything exported by the net/ftp module.

ftp@ and ftp^ are deprecated. They exist for backwardcompatibility and will likely be removed in the future. New code should use the net/ftp module.

5 Send URL: Opening a Web Browser

```
(require net/sendurl) package: net-lib
```

Provides send-url for opening a URL in the user's chosen web browser.

See also browser/external, which requires racket/gui, but can prompt the user for a browser if no browser preference is set.

Opens str, which represents a URL, in a platform-specific manner. In particular, the first value in browser-list will determine which browser will be used to open the URL. For some platforms and configurations, the separate-window? parameter determines if the browser creates a new window to display the URL or not.

If escape? is true, then str is escaped (by UTF-8 encoding followed by "%" encoding) to avoid dangerous shell characters: single quotes, double quotes, backquotes, dollar signs, backslashes, non-ASCII characters, and non-graphic characters. Note that escaping does not affect already-encoded characters in str.

There are two ways to override the above behavior: the external-browser parameter and the 'external-browser preference. A valid setting for both the external-browser parameter and the 'external-browser preference must satisfy browser-preference?, with a restriction that the setting for the 'external-browser preference cannot be a procedure. The external-browser parameter takes priority over 'external-browser preference: the preference is only used when (external-browser) is #f. See put-preferences for details on setting preferences.

On Unix, it's recommended to not override the default behavior, but to rely on xdg-open in browser-list.

Similar to send-url (with #:escape? #t), but accepts a path to a file to be displayed by

the browser, along with optional *fragment* (with no leading #) and *query* (with no leading ?) strings. Use send-url/file to display a local file, since it takes care of the peculiarities of constructing the correct file:// URL.

The path, fragment, and query arguments are all encoded in the same way as a path provided to send-url, which means that already-encoded characters are used as-is.

Similar to send-url/file, but it consumes the contents of a page to show and displays it from a temporary file.

When send-url/contents is called, it scans old generated files (this happens randomly, not on every call) and removes them to avoid cluttering the temporary directory. If the seconds argument is a number, then the temporary file is more eagerly removed after the specified number of seconds; the deletion happens in a thread, so if Racket exits earlier, the deletion will not happen. If the seconds argument is #f, no eager deletion happens, but old temporary files are still deleted as described above.

```
(send-url/mac url [#:browser browser]) → void?
  url : string?
  browser : (or/c string? #f) = #f
```

Like send-url, but only for use on a Mac OS machine.

The optional *browser* argument, if present, should be the name of a browser installed on the system. For example,

```
(send-url/mac "https://www.google.com/" #:browser "Firefox")
```

would open the url in Firefox, even if that's not the default browser. Passing #f means to use the default browser.

```
(external-browser) → browser-preference?
(external-browser cmd) → void?
cmd : browser-preference?
```

A parameter that can hold a browser preference to override how a browser is started for send-url. See browser-preference? for details.

```
(browser-preference? a) → boolean?
a : any/c
```

Returns #t if v is a valid browser preference, #f otherwise. A valid browser preference is either:

- The value #f, which falls back to the next preference method.
- A procedure? that accepts a URL string. This value is not allowed for the 'external-browser preference.
- A symbol in browser-list that indicates a browser to use.
- A pair of strings to be concatenated with a URL string to form a shell command to run. The first string is the command prefix and the second string is the command suffix. This method requires extra care:
 - The URL can hold characters like #, ?, and &, so the pair of strings should place double quotes around the URL.
 - The URL should be encoded to make it work inside shell double-quotes, so the default value of escape? in send-url should be used.

```
browser-list : (listof symbol?)
```

A list of symbols representing executable names that may be tried in order by send-url. The send-url function internally includes information on how to launch each executable with a URL.

Added in version 7.5.0.10 of package net-lib.

```
unix-browser-list : (listof symbol?)
```

NOTE: This value is deprecated; use browser-list, instead.

The same as browser-list.

Changed in version 7.5.0.10 of package net-lib: Changed the value to be an alias of browser-list.

6 SMTP: Sending E-Mail

```
(require net/smtp) package: net-lib
```

The net/smtp module provides tools for sending electronic mail messages using SMTP. The client must provide the address of an SMTP server; in contrast, the net/sendmail module uses a pre-configured sendmail on the local system.

The net/head library defines the format of a header string, which is used by smtp-send-message. The net/head module also provides utilities to verify the formatting of a mail address. The procedures of the net/smtp module assume that the given string arguments are well-formed.

6.1 SMTP Functions

```
(smtp-send-message server-address
                    from
                    to
                   header
                   message
                   [#:port-no port-no/k
                   #:auth-user user
                   #:auth-passwd pw
                   #:tcp-connect connect
                   #:tls-encode encode
                   port-no])
                                          → void?
 server-address : string?
 from : string?
 to: (listof string?)
 header : string?
 message : (listof (or/c string? bytes?))
 port-no/k: (integer-in 0 65535) = 25
 user : (or/c string? #f) = #f
 pw : (or/c string? #f) = #f
 connect : (string? (integer-in 0 65535)
             . -> . (values input-port? output-port?))
          = tcp-connect
 encode : (or/c #f
                 (input-port? output-port?
                  #:mode 'connect
                  #:encrypt 'tls
                  #:close-original? #t
                  . -> . (values input-port? output-port?)))
         = #f
```

```
port-no: (integer-in 0 65535) = port-no/k
```

Connects to the server at *server-address* and *port-no* to send a message. The *from* argument specifies the mail address of the sender, and *to* is a list of recipient addresses (including "To:", "CC", and "BCC" recipients).

The header argument is the complete message header, which should already include "From:", "To:", and "CC:" fields consistent with the given sender and recipients. See also the net/head library for header-creating utilities.

The message argument is the body of the message, where each string or byte string in the list corresponds to a single line of message text. No string in message should contain a carriage return or linefeed character.

The optional *port-no* argument—which can be specified either with the #:port-no keyword or, for backward compatibility, as an extra argument after keywords—specifies the IP port to use in contacting the SMTP server.

The optional *user* and *pw* arguments supply a username and password for authenticated SMTP (using the AUTH PLAIN protocol).

The optional *connect* argument supplies a connection procedure to be used in place of tcp-connect. For example, use ssl-connect to connect to the server via SSL.

If the optional <code>encode</code> argument supplies a procedure instead of <code>#f</code>, then the ESMTP STARTTLS protocol is used to initiate SSL communication with the server. The procedure given as the <code>encode</code> argument should be like <code>ports->ssl-ports</code>; it will be called as

```
(encode r w #:mode 'connect #:encrypt 'tls #:close-original? #t)
```

and it should return two values: an input port and an output port. All further SMTP communication uses the returned ports.

For encrypted communication, normally either ssl-connect should be supplied for connect, or ports->ssl-ports should be supplied for encode—one or the other (depending on what the server expects), rather than both.

```
(smtp-sending-end-of-message) → (-> any)
(smtp-sending-end-of-message proc) → void?
proc : (-> any)
```

A parameter that determines a send-done procedure to be called after smtp-send-message has completely sent the message. Before the send-done procedure is called, breaking the thread that is executing smtp-send-message cancels the send. After the send-done procedure is called, breaking may or may not cancel the send (and probably will not).

6.2 SMTP Unit

```
(require net/smtp-unit) package: compatibility-lib
smtp@ : unit?
```

6.3 SMTP Signature

Imports nothing, exports smtp^.

```
(require net/smtp-sig) package: compatibility-lib
smtp^ : signature
```

Includes everything exported by the net/smtp module.

smtp@ and smtp^ are deprecated. They exist for backwardcompatibility and will likely be removed in the future. New code should use the net/smtp module.

7 sendmail: Sending E-Mail

```
(require net/sendmail) package: net-lib
```

The net/sendmail module provides tools for sending electronic mail messages using a sendmail program on the local system. See also the net/smtp package, which sends mail via SMTP.

All strings used in mail messages are assumed to conform to their corresponding SMTP specifications, except as noted otherwise.

7.1 Sendmail Functions

The first argument is the header for the sender, the second is the subject line, the third a list of "To:" recipients, the fourth a list of "CC:" recipients, and the fifth a list of "BCC:" recipients. All of these are quoted if they contain non-ASCII characters.

Additional arguments argument supply other mail headers, which must be provided as lines (not terminated by a linefeed or carriage return) to include verbatim in the header.

The return value is an output port into which the client must write the message. Clients are urged to use close-output-port on the return value as soon as the necessary text has been written, so that the sendmail process can complete.

The *from* argument can be any value; of course, spoofing should be used with care. If it is #f, no "From:" header is generated, which usually means that your sendmail program will fill in the right value based on the user.

Note that passing already-quoted strings would be fine, since then there are no non-ASCII characters.

Like send-mail-message/port, but with body as a list of strings, each providing a line of the message body.

Lines that contain a single period do not need to be quoted.

7.2 Sendmail Unit

```
(require net/sendmail-unit) package: compatibility-lib
sendmail@ : unit?
```

Imports nothing, exports sendmail^.

7.3 Sendmail Signature

```
(require net/sendmail-sig) package: compatibility-lib
sendmail^ : signature
```

Includes everything exported by the net/sendmail module.

sendmail@ and sendmail^ are deprecated. They exist for backwardcompatibility and will likely be removed in the future. New code should use the net/sendmail module.

8 Headers: Parsing and Constructing

```
(require net/head) package: base
```

The net/head module provides utilities for parsing and constructing RFC 822 headers [RFC822], which are used in protocols such as HTTP, SMTP, and NNTP.

A *header* is represented as a string or byte string containing CRLF-delimited lines. Each field within the header spans one or more lines. In addition, the header ends with two CRLFs (because the first one terminates the last field, and the second terminates the header).

8.1 Functions

```
empty-header : string?
```

The string " $\r\n\$ ", which corresponds to the empty header. This value is useful for building up headers with insert-field and append-headers.

```
(validate-header candidate) → void?
  candidate : (or string? bytes?)
```

Checks that candidate matches RFC 822. If it does not, an exception is raised.

```
(extract-field field header) → (or/c string? bytes? #f)
  field : (or/c string? bytes?)
  header : (or/c string? bytes?)
```

Returns the header content for the specified field, or #f if the field is not in the header. The field string should not end with ":", and it is used case-insensitively. The returned string will not contain the field name, color separator, or CRLF terminator for the field; however, if the field spans multiple lines, the CRLFs separating the lines will be intact.

The *field* and *header* arguments must be both strings or both byte strings, and the result (if not #f) is of the same type.

Example:

Returns an association-list version of the header; the case of the field names is preserved, as well as the order and duplicate uses of a field name.

The result provides strings if header is a string, byte strings if header is a byte string.

```
(remove-field field header) → (or/c string? bytes?)
  field : (or/c string? bytes?)
  header : (or/c string? bytes?)
```

Creates a new header by removing the specified field from *header* (or the first instance of the field, if it occurs multiple times). If the field is not in *header*, then the return value is *header*.

The *field* and *header* arguments must be both strings or both byte strings, and the result is of the same type.

```
(insert-field field value header) → (or/c string? bytes?)
  field : (or/c string? bytes?)
  value : (or/c string? bytes?)
  header : (or/c string? bytes?)
```

Creates a new header by prefixing the given *header* with the given *field-value* pair. The *value* string should not contain a terminating CRLF, but a multi-line value (perhaps created with data-lines->data) may contain separator CRLFs.

The field, value, and header arguments must be all strings or all byte strings, and the result is of the same type.

```
(replace-field field value header) → (or/c string? bytes?)
  field : (or/c string? bytes?)
  value : (or/c string? bytes? #f)
  header : (or/c string? bytes?)
```

Composes remove-field and (if value is not #f) insert-field.

```
(append-headers header1 header2) → (or/c string? bytes?)
  header1 : (or/c string? bytes?)
  header2 : (or/c string? bytes?)
```

Appends two headers.

The *header1* and *header2* arguments must be both strings or both byte strings, and the result is of the same type.

Creates a standard mail header given the sender, various lists of recipients, a subject. A "Date" field is added to the header automatically, using the current time.

The BCC recipients do not actually appear in the header, but they're accepted anyway to complete the abstraction.

```
(data-lines->data lines) → string?
lines : (listof string?)
```

Merges multiple lines for a single field value into one string, adding CRLF-TAB separators.

Parses string as a list of comma-delimited mail addresses, raising an exception if the list is ill-formed. This procedure can be used for single-address strings, in which case the returned list contains only one address.

The kind argument specifies which portion of an address should be returned:

• 'name — the free-form name in the address, or the address itself if no name is available.

Examples:

```
> (extract-addresses "John Doe <doe@localhost>" 'name)
'("John Doe")
> (extract-addresses "doe@localhost (Johnny Doe)" 'name)
'("Johnny Doe")
> (extract-addresses "doe@localhost" 'name)
'("doe@localhost")
```

• 'address — just the mailing address, without any free-form names.

Examples:

• 'full — the full address, essentially as it appears in the input, but normalized.

Examples:

• 'all — a list containing each of the three possibilities: free-form name, address, and full address (in that order).

Examples:

```
> (length r)
2
> (car r)
   '("\"John\"" "doe@localhost" "\"John\" <doe@localhost>")
> (cadr r)
   '("jane" "jane" "jane")

(assemble-address-field addrs) → string?
addrs : (listof string?)
```

Creates a header field value from a list of addresses. The addresses are comma-separated, and possibly broken into multiple lines.

Example:

8.2 Header Unit

```
(require net/head-unit) package: compatibility-lib
head@ : unit?
```

Imports nothing, exports head^.

They exist for backwardcompatibility and will likely be removed in the future. New code should use the net/head module.

head@ and head^ are deprecated.

8.3 Header Signature

```
(require net/head-sig) package: compatibility-lib
head^ : signature
```

Includes everything exported by the net/head module.

9 Header Field Encoding

```
(require net/unihead) package: net-lib
```

The net/unihead module provides utilities for encoding and decoding header fields using the $=?\langle encoding \rangle?\langle transport \rangle?...?=$ format.

```
(encode-for-header s) → string?
s : string?
```

Encodes s for use in a header.

If s contains only ASCII characters, then the result string will have the same content as the given string. If s contains only Latin-1 characters, then on each CRLF-delimited line, the space-delimited sequence containing all non-ASCII characters in s is encoded with a =?ISO-8859-1?Q?...?= sequence. If s contains non-Latin-1 characters, then on each CRLF-delimited line, a space-delimited sequence containing all non-ASCII characters in s is encoded with a =?UTF-8?B?...?= sequence.

Examples:

```
> (encode-for-header "English")
"English"
> (encode-for-header "français")
"=?ISO-8859-1?Q?fran=E7ais?="
> (encode-for-header "→")
"=?UTF-8?B?4oaS?="
> (encode-for-header "→\r\nboth → and français here")
"=?UTF-8?B?4oaS?=\r\nboth =?UTF-8?B?4oaSIGFuZCBmcmFuw6dhaXM=?=here"

(decode-for-header s) → string?
s : string?
```

Decodes header fields that use the $=?\langle encoding \rangle?\langle transport \rangle?...?=$ encoding format. The specified $\langle encoding \rangle$ is generalized via generalize-encoding before decoding content.

Examples:

```
> (decode-for-header "English")
"English"
> (decode-for-header "=?UTF-8?B?4oaS?= =?ISO-8859-
1?Q?fran=E7ais?=")
"→ français"
```

```
(generalize-encoding s) \rightarrow (or string? bytes?) s : (or string? bytes?)
```

Generalizes the encoding name s to compensate for typical mailer bugs: Latin-1 and ASCII encodings are generalized to WINDOWS-1252; GB and GB2312 are generalized to GBK; and KS_C_5601-1987 is generalized to CP949.

10 IMAP: Reading Mail

```
(require net/imap) package: net-lib
```

The net/imap module provides utilities for the client side of Internet Message Access Protocol version 4rev1 [RFC2060].

10.1 Connecting and Selecting Mailboxes

```
(imap-connection? v) → boolean?
v : any/c
```

Return #t if v is a IMAP-connection value (which is opaque), #f otherwise.

Establishes an IMAP connection to the given server using the given username and password, and selects the specified mailbox. If tls? is true, a TLS connection is made to the server before communicating using the IMAP protocol. If tls? is #f but try-tls? is true, then after the IMAP connection is initially established, the connection is switched to a TLS connection if the server supports it.

The first result value represents the connection. The second and third return values indicate the total number of messages in the mailbox and the number of recent messages (i.e., messages received since the mailbox was last selected), respectively.

See also imap-port-number.

A user's primary mailbox is always called "INBOX". (Capitalization doesn't matter for that mailbox name.)

Updated message-count and recent-count values are available through imap-messages and imap-recent. See also imap-new? and imap-reset-new!.

```
(imap-port-number) → (integer-in 0 65535)
(imap-port-number k) → void?
k : (integer-in 0 65535)
```

A parameter that determines the server port number. The initial value is 143.

```
(imap-connect* in
               out
               username
               password
               mailbox
              [#:tls? tls?
               #:try-tls? try-tls?])
→ imap-connection?
   exact-nonnegative-integer?
   exact-nonnegative-integer?
 in : input-port?
 out : output-port?
 username : (or/c string? bytes?)
 password : (or/c string? bytes?)
 mailbox : (or/c string? bytes?)
 tls? : any/c = #f
 try-tls?: any/c = #t
```

Like imap-connect, but given input and output ports (e.g., ports for an SSL session) instead of a server address.

```
(imap-disconnect imap) → void?
  imap : imap-connection?
```

Closes an IMAP connection. The close may fail due to a communication error.

```
(imap-force-disconnect imap) → void?
  imap : imap-connection?
```

Closes an IMAP connection forcefully (i.e., without send a close message to the server). A forced disconnect never fails.

De-selects the mailbox currently selected by the connection and selects the specified mailbox, returning the total and recent message counts for the new mailbox. Expunge and message-state information is removed.

Do not use this procedure to poll a mailbox to see whether there are any new messages. Use imap-noop, imap-new?, and imap-reset-new! instead.

Like imap-reselect, but the mailbox is selected as read-only.

10.2 Selected Mailbox State

Sends a "no-op" message to the server, typically to keep the session alive. As for many commands, the server may report message-state updates or expunges, which are recorded in imap.

The return information is the same as for imap-reselect.

```
(imap-poll imap) → void?
  imap : imap-connection?
```

Does not send a request to the server, but checks for asynchronous messages from the server that update the message count, to report expunges, etc.

```
(imap-messages imap) → exact-nonnegative-integer?
imap: imap-connection?
```

Returns the number of messages in the selected mailbox. The server can update this count during most any interaction.

This operation does not communicate with the server. It merely reports the result of previous communication.

```
(imap-recent imap) → exact-nonnegative-integer?
imap : imap-connection?
```

Returns the number of "recent" messages in the currently selected mailbox, as most recently reported by the server. The server can update this count during most any interaction.

This operation does not communicate with the server. It merely reports the result of previous communication.

```
(imap-unseen imap) → (or/c exact-nonnegative-integer? #f)
imap : imap-connection?
```

Returns the number of "unseen" messages in the currently selected mailbox, as most recently reported by the server. The server can update this count during most any interaction. Old IMAP servers might not report this value, in which case the result is #f.

This operation does not communicate with the server. It merely reports the result of previous communication.

```
(imap-uidnext imap) → (or/c exact-nonnegative-integer? #f)
  imap : imap-connection?
```

Returns the predicted next uid for a message in the currently selected mailbox, as most recently reported by the server. The server can update this count during most any interaction. Old IMAP servers might not report this value, in which case the result is #f.

This operation does not communicate with the server. It merely reports the result of previous communication.

```
(imap-uidvalidity imap) → (or/c exact-nonnegative-integer? #f)
  imap : imap-connection?
```

Returns an id number that changes when all uids become invalid. The server *cannot* update this number during a session. Old IMAP servers might not report this value, in which case the result is #f.

This operation does not communicate with the server. It merely reports the result of previous communication.

```
(imap-new? imap) → boolean?
imap : imap-connection?
```

Returns #t if the server has reported an increase in the message count for the currently mailbox since the last call to imap-reset-new!. Selecting a mailbox implicitly calls imap-reset-new!.

This operation does not communicate with the server. It merely reports the result of previous communication.

```
(imap-reset-new! imap) → void?
imap : imap-connection?
```

Resets the new flag for the session; see imap-new?. This operation does not communicate with the server.

```
(imap-get-expunges imap) → (listof exact-nonnegative-integer?)
imap : imap-connection?
```

Returns pending expunge notifications from the server for the selected mailbox in terms of message positions (not uids), and clears the pending notifications. The result list is sorted, ascending.

This operation does not communicate with the server. It merely reports the result of previous communication.

The server can notify the client of newly deleted messages during most other commands, but not asynchronously between commands. Furthermore, the server cannot report new deletions during imap-get-messages or imap-store operations.

Before calling any IMAP operation that works in terms of message numbers, pending expunge notifications must be handled by calling <u>imap-get-expunges</u>.

```
(imap-pending-expunges? imap) → boolean?
imap: imap-connection?
```

Returns #f if imap-get-expunges would return an empty list, #t otherwise.

Returns information much like <u>imap-get-messages</u>, but includes information reported asynchronously by the server (e.g., to notify a client with some other client changes a message attribute). Instead of reporting specific requested information for specific messages, the result is associates message positions to field-value association lists. The result list is sorted by message position, ascending.

This operation does not communicate with the server. It merely reports the result of previous communication. It also clears the update information from the connection after reporting it.

When a server reports information that supersedes old reported information for a message, or if the server reports that a message has been deleted, then old information for the message is dropped. Similarly, if imap-get-messages is used to explicitly obtain information, any redundant (or out-of-date) information is dropped.

A client need not use <u>imap-get-updates</u> ever, but accumulated information for the connection consumes space.

```
(imap-pending-updates? imap) → boolean?
imap : imap-connection?
```

Returns #f if imap-get-updates would return an list, #t otherwise.

10.3 Manipulating Messages

Downloads information for a set of messages. The msg-nums argument specifies a set of messages by their message positions (not their uids). The fields argument specifies the type of information to download for each message. The available fields are:

- 'uid the value is an integer
- 'header the value is a header (a string, but see net/head)
- 'body the value is a byte string, with CRLF-separated lines
- 'flags the value is a list of symbols that correspond to IMAP flags; see imap-flag->symbol

The return value is a list of entry items in parallel to msg-nums. Each entry is itself a list containing value items in parallel to fields.

Pending expunges must be handled before calling this function; see imap-get-expunges.

Example:

```
> (imap-get-messages imap '(1 3 5) '(uid header))
'((107 #"From: larry@stooges.com ...")
  (110 #"From: moe@stooges.com ...")
  (112 #"From: curly@stooges.com ..."))

(imap-flag->symbol flag) → symbol?
  flag : symbol?
(symbol->imap-flag sym) → symbol?
  sym : symbol?
```

An IMAP flag is a symbol, but it is generally not a convenient one to use within a Racket program, because it usually starts with a backslash. The imap-flag->symbol and symbol->imap-flag procedures convert IMAP flags to convenient symbols and vice-versa:

```
symbol
                         IMAP flag
message flags: 'seen
                         '|\Seen|
                         '|\Answered|
           'answered
           'flagged
                         '|\Flagged|
                         '|\Deleted|
           'deleted
                         '|\Draft|
           'draft
           'recent '|\Recent|
mailbox flags: 'noinferiors '|\Noinferiors|
           'noselect
                         '|\Noselect|
           'marked
                         '|\Marked|
           'unmarked
                       '|\Unmarked|
           'hasnochildren '|\HasNoChildren|
           'haschildren '|\HasChildren|
```

The imap-flag->symbol and symbol->imap-flag functions act like the identity function when any other symbol is provided.

```
(imap-store imap mode msg-nums imap-flags) → void?
  imap : imap-connection?
  mode : (or/c '+ '- '!)
  msg-nums : (listof exact-nonnegative-integer?)
  imap-flags : (listof symbol?)
```

Sets flags for a set of messages. The mode argument specifies how flags are set:

- '+ add the given flags to each message
- '- remove the given flags from each message
- '! set each message's flags to the given set

The msg-nums argument specifies a set of messages by their message positions (not their uids). The flags argument specifies the imap flags to add/remove/install.

Pending expunges must be handled before calling this function; see imap-get-expunges. The server will not report back message-state changes (so they will not show up through imap-get-updates).

Examples:

```
> (imap-store imap '+ '(1 2 3) (list (symbol->imap-
flag 'deleted)))
```

```
; marks the first three messages to be deleted
> (imap-expunge imap)
; permanently removes the first three messages (and possibly
; others) from the currently-selected mailbox

(imap-expunge imap) → void?
  imap : imap-connection?
```

Purges every message currently marked with the '|\Deleted| flag from the mailbox.

10.4 Querying and Changing (Other) Mailboxes

```
(imap-copy imap msg-nums dest-mailbox) → void?
  imap : imap-connection?
  msg-nums : (listof exact-nonnegative-integer?)
  dest-mailbox : (or/c string? bytes?)
```

Copies the specified messages from the currently selected mailbox to the specified mailbox.

Pending expunges must be handled before calling this function; see imap-get-expunges.

Adds a new message (containing message) to the given mailbox.

```
(imap-status imap mailbox statuses) → list?
  imap : imap-connection?
  mailbox : (or/c string? bytes?)
  statuses : (listof symbol?)
```

Requests information about a mailbox from the server, typically *not* the currently selected mailbox.

The statuses list specifies the request, and the return value includes one value for each symbol in statuses. The allowed status symbols are:

• 'messages — number of messages

- 'recent number of recent messages
- 'unseen number of unseen messages
- 'uidnext uid for next received message
- · 'uidvalidity id that changes when all uids are changed

Use imap-messages to get the message count for the currently selected mailbox, etc. Use imap-new? and imap-reset-new! to detect when new messages are available in the currently selected mailbox.

```
(imap-mailbox-exists? imap mailbox) → boolean?
  imap : imap-connection?
  mailbox : (or/c string? bytes?)
```

Returns #t if mailbox exists, #f otherwise.

```
(imap-create-mailbox imap mailbox) → void?
  imap : imap-connection?
  mailbox : (or/c string? bytes?)
```

Creates mailbox. (It must not exist already.)

Returns information about sub-mailboxes of mailbox; if mailbox is #f, information about all top-level mailboxes is returned. The delimiter is used to parse mailbox names from the server to detect hierarchy.

The return value is a list of mailbox-information lists. Each mailbox-information list contains two items:

- a list of imap flags for the mailbox
- the mailbox's name

```
(imap-get-hierarchy-delimiter imap) → bytes?
imap : imap-connection?
```

Returns the server-specific string that is used as a separator in mailbox path names.

```
(imap-mailbox-flags imap mailbox) → (listof symbol?)
  imap : imap-connection?
  mailbox : (or/c string? bytes?)
```

Returns a list of IMAP flags for the given mailbox. See also imap-flag->symbol.

10.5 IMAP Unit

```
(require net/imap-unit) package: compatibility-lib
imap@ : unit?
```

Imports nothing, exports imap^.

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10.6 IMAP Signature

```
(require net/imap-sig) package: compatibility-lib
imap^ : signature
```

Includes everything exported by the net/imap module.

imap@ and imap^
are deprecated.

They exist for backward-

11 POP3: Reading Mail

```
(require net/pop3)
package: net-lib
```

The net/pop3 module provides tools for the Post Office Protocol version 3 [RFC977].

```
(struct communicator (sender receiver server port state)
    #:extra-constructor-name make-communicator)
sender : output-port?
receiver : input-port?
server : string?
port : (integer-in 0 65535)
state : (or/c 'disconnected 'authorization 'transaction)
```

Once a connection to a POP-3 server has been established, its state is stored in a communicator instance, and other procedures take communicator instances as an argument.

```
(connect-to-server server [port-number]) → communicator?
  server : string?
  port-number : (integer-in 0 65535) = 110
```

Connects to server at port-number.

```
(disconnect-from-server communicator) → void?
  communicator : communicator?
```

Disconnects *communicator* from the server, and sets *communicator*'s state to 'disconnected.

Authenticates using user and passwd. If authentication is successful, communicator's state is set to 'transaction.

Returns the number of messages and the number of octets in the mailbox.

Given a message number, returns a list of message-header lines and list of message-body lines.

Given a message number, returns a list of message-header lines.

Given a message number, returns a list of message-body lines.

Deletes the specified message.

Gets the server's unique id for a particular message.

```
(get-unique-id/all communicator)
  → (listof (cons/c exact-integer? string?))
  communicator : communicator?
```

Gets a list of unique id's from the server for all the messages in the mailbox. The car of each item in the result list is the message number, and the cdr of each item is the message's id.

```
(make-desired-header tag-string) → regexp?
  tag-string : string?
```

Takes a header field's tag and returns a regexp to match the field

```
(extract-desired-headers header desireds) → (listof string?)
header : (listof string?)
desireds : (listof regexp?)
```

Given a list of header lines and of desired regexps, returns the header lines that match any of the desireds.

11.1 Exceptions

```
(struct pop3 exn ()
    #:extra-constructor-name make-pop3)
```

The supertype of all POP3 exceptions.

```
(struct cannot-connect pop3 ()
    #:extra-constructor-name make-cannot-connect)
```

Raised when a connection to a server cannot be established.

```
(struct username-rejected pop3 ()
    #:extra-constructor-name make-username-rejected)
```

Raised if the username is rejected.

```
(struct password-rejected pop3 ()
    #:extra-constructor-name make-password-rejected)
```

Raised if the password is rejected.

```
(struct not-ready-for-transaction pop3 (communicator)
    #:extra-constructor-name make-not-ready-for-transaction)
communicator : communicator?
```

Raised when the communicator is not in transaction mode.

```
(struct not-given-headers pop3 (communicator message)
    #:extra-constructor-name make-not-given-headers)
    communicator : communicator?
    message : exact-integer?
```

Raised when the server does not respond with headers for a message as requested.

```
(struct illegal-message-number pop3 (communicator message)
   #:extra-constructor-name make-illegal-message-number)
   communicator : communicator?
   message : exact-integer?
```

Raised when the client specifies an illegal message number.

```
(struct cannot-delete-message exn (communicator message)
    #:extra-constructor-name make-cannot-delete-message)
    communicator : communicator?
    message : exact-integer?
```

Raised when the server is unable to delete a message.

```
(struct disconnect-not-quiet pop3 (communicator)
    #:extra-constructor-name make-disconnect-not-quiet)
communicator : communicator?
```

Raised when the server does not gracefully disconnect.

```
(struct malformed-server-response pop3 (communicator)
    #:extra-constructor-name make-malformed-server-response)
communicator : communicator?
```

Raised when the server produces a malformed response.

11.2 Example Session

```
> (require net/pop3)
> (define c (connect-to-server "foo.bar.com"))
> (authenticate/plain-text "bob" "******** c)
> (get-mailbox-status c)
196
816400
> (get-message/headers c 100)
("Date: Thu, 6 Nov 1997 12:34:18 -0600 (CST)"
   "Message-Id: <199711061834.MAA11961@foo.bar.com>"
   "From: Alice <alice@foo.bar.com>"
   ....
   "Status: RO")
> (get-message/complete c 100)
```

```
("Date: Thu, 6 Nov 1997 12:34:18 -0600 (CST)"
  "Message-Id: <199711061834.MAA11961@foo.bar.com>"
  "From: Alice <alice@foo.bar.com>"
  ....
  "Status: RO")
("some body" "text" "goes" "." "here" "." "")
> (get-unique-id/single c 205)
no message numbered 205 available for unique id
> (list-tail (get-unique-id/all c) 194)
((195 . "e24d13c7ef050000") (196 . "3ad2767070050000"))
> (get-unique-id/single c 196)
  "3ad2767070050000"
> (disconnect-from-server c)
```

11.3 POP3 Unit

```
(require net/pop3-unit) package: compatibility-lib
pop3@ : unit?
```

Imports nothing, exports pop3[^].

11.4 POP3 Signature

```
(require net/pop3-sig) package: compatibility-lib
pop3^ : signature
```

Includes everything exported by the net/pop3 module.

pop3@ and pop3^ are deprecated. They exist for backwardcompatibility and will likely be removed in the future. New code should use the net/pop3 module.

12 MIME: Decoding Internet Data

```
(require net/mime) package: net-lib
```

The net/mime library provides utilities for parsing and creating MIME encodings as described in RFC 2045 through RFC 2049.

The library was written by Francisco Solsona.

12.1 Message Decoding

```
(mime-analyze message-in [part?]) → message?
  message-in : (or/c bytes? input-port?)
  part? : any/c = #f
```

Parses message-in and returns the parsed result as a message instance.

If part? is #f, then message-in should start with the header for a full message; otherwise, message-in should start with the header for a part within a message.

```
(struct message (version entity fields)
    #:extra-constructor-name make-message)
version : real?
entity : entity
fields : (listof string?)
```

A decoded MIME message. The version is 1.0 by default. The entity field represents the message data. The fields field contains one string for each field in the message header.

```
charset : symbol?
encoding : symbol?
disposition : disposition?
params : (listof (cons/c symbol? string?))
id : string?
description : string?
other : (listof string?)
fields : (listof string?)
parts : (listof message?)
body : (or/c (output-port? . -> . void?) null?)
```

Represents the content of a message or a sub-part. The mime-analyze function chooses default values for fields when they are not specified in input.

Standard values for the type field include 'text, 'image, 'audio, 'video, 'application, 'message, and 'multipart.

Standard values for the subtype field depend on the type field, and include the following, but any subtype is allowed as a downcased version of the specification from the header.

Please note that RFC 3232 specifies that this list (taken from RFC 1700) is out-of-date, and that the IANA maintains a complete list, currently available at http://www.iana.org/assignments/media-types/media-types.xhtml

```
'text
                                       [RFC1521, NSB]
              'plain
              'richtext
                                      [RFC1521, NSB]
              'tab-separated-values [Lindner]
'multipart
              'mixed
                                      [RFC1521, NSB]
              'alternative
                                      [RFC1521, NSB]
              'digest
                                      [RFC1521, NSB]
              'parallel
                                      [RFC1521, NSB]
              'appledouble
                                      [MacMime, Faltstrom]
              'header-set
                                      [Crocker]
                                      [RFC1521, NSB]
'message
              'rfc822
              'partial
                                      [RFC1521, NSB]
              'external-body
                                       [RFC1521, NSB]
              'news
                                       [RFC 1036, Spencer]
'application 'octet-stream
                                       [RFC1521, NSB]
              'postscript
                                       [RFC1521, NSB]
              'oda
                                       [RFC1521, NSB]
              'atomicmail
                                       [atomicmail, NSB]
                                      [andrew-inset, NSB]
              'andrew-inset
              'slate
                                      [slate, Crowley]
              'wita
                                       [Wang Info Transfer, Campbell]
              'dec-dx
                                      [Digital Doc Trans, Campbell]
              'dca-rft
                                      [IBM Doc Content Arch, Campbell]
```

		rot : 1
	'activemessage	[Shapiro]
	'rtf	[Lindner]
	'applefile	[MacMime, Faltstrom]
	'mac-binhex40	[MacMime, Faltstrom]
	'news-message-id	[RFC1036, Spencer]
	'news-transmission	[RFC1036, Spencer]
	'wordperfect5.1	[Lindner]
	'pdf	[Lindner]
	'zip	[Lindner]
	'macwriteii	[Lindner]
	'msword	[Lindner]
	'remote-printing	[RFC1486,MTR]
'image	'jpeg	[RFC1521, NSB]
	'gif	[RFC1521, NSB]
	'ief	[RFC1314]
	'tiff	[MTR]
'audio	'basic	[RFC1521, NSB]
'video	'mpeg	[RFC1521, NSB]
	'quicktime	[Lindner]

Standard values for the charset field include 'us-ascii, which is the default.

Standard values for the encoding field are '7bit, '8bit, 'binary, 'quoted-printable, and 'base64. The default is '7bit.

The params field contains a list of parameters from other MIME headers.

The id field is taken from the "Content-Id" header field.

The description field is taken from the "Content-description" header field.

The other field contains additional (non-standard) field headers whose field names start with "Content-".

The fields field contains additional field headers whose field names *do not* start with "Content-".

The parts contains sub-parts from multipart MIME messages. This list is non-empty only when type is 'multipart or 'message.

The body field represents the body as a function that consumes an output out and writes the decoded message to the port. If type is 'multipart or 'message., then body is '(). All of the standard values of encoding are supported. The procedure only works once (since the encoded body is pulled from a stream).

Represents a "Content-Disposition" header as defined in RFC 2183.

Standard values for the type field include 'inline and 'attachment.

The filename field is drawn from the "filename" parameter of the "Content-Disposition" header, if included in the message.

The creation, modification, and read fields represent file timestamps as drawn from the "creation-date", "modification-date", and "read-date" attributes of the "Content-Disposition" header, if included in the message.

The size field is drawn from the "size" parameter of the "Content-Disposition" header, if included in the message.

The params field stores any additional attribute bindings of the "Content-Disposition" header, if included in the message.

12.2 Exceptions

```
(struct mime-error exn:fail ()
   #:extra-constructor-name make-mime-error)
```

The supertype of all MIME exceptions. Only the subtype missing-multipart-boundary-parameter is ever actually raised.

```
(struct unexpected-termination mime-error (msg)
   #:extra-constructor-name make-unexpected-termination)
   msg : string?
```

Originally raised when an end-of-file is reached while parsing the headers of a MIME entity, but currently a mere warning is logged.

```
(struct missing-multipart-boundary-parameter mime-error ()
    #:extra-constructor-name
    make-missing-multipart-boundary-parameter)
```

Raised when a multipart type is specified, but no "Boundary" parameter is given.

```
(struct malformed-multipart-entity mime-error (msg)
    #:extra-constructor-name make-malformed-multipart-entity)
    msg : string?
```

Never actually raised.

```
(struct empty-mechanism mime-error ()
    #:extra-constructor-name make-empty-mechanism)
```

Never actually raised.

```
(struct empty-type mime-error ()
    #:extra-constructor-name make-empty-type)
```

Never actually raised.

```
(struct empty-subtype mime-error ()
    #:extra-constructor-name make-empty-subtype)
```

Never actually raised.

```
(struct empty-disposition-type mime-error ()
    #:extra-constructor-name make-empty-disposition-type)
```

Never actually raised.

12.3 MIME Unit

```
(require net/mime-unit) package: compatibility-lib
mime@ : unit?
```

Imports nothing, exports mime^.

mime@ and mime^ are deprecated. They exist for backward-compatibility and will likely be removed in the future. New code should use the net/mime module.

12.4 MIME Signature

```
(require net/mime-sig) package: compatibility-lib
mime^ : signature
```

Includes everything exported by the ${\tt net/mime}$ module.

13 Base 64: Encoding and Decoding

```
(require net/base64) package: base
```

The net/base64 library provides utilities for Base 64 (MIME-standard) encoding and decoding.

13.1 Functions

```
(base64-encode bstr [newline]) → bytes?
  bstr : bytes?
  newline : any/c = #"\r\n"
```

Consumes a byte string and returns its Base 64 encoding as a new byte string. The returned string is broken into 72-byte lines separated by <code>newline</code>, which defaults to a CRLF combination, and the result always ends with a <code>newline</code> unless the input is empty.

Although newline is intended to be a byte string, it can be any value (possibly with a performance penalty), and it is converted to a byte string using display.

```
(base64-decode bstr) → bytes?
bstr : bytes?
```

Consumes a byte string and returns its Base 64 decoding as a new byte string.

```
(base64-encode-stream in out [newline]) → void?
in : input-port?
out : output-port?
newline : any/c = #"\n"
```

Reads bytes from in and writes the encoded result to out, breaking the output into 72-character lines separated by newline, and ending with newline unless the input stream is empty. Note that the default newline is just $\#^n\n$, not $\#^n\n$. The procedure returns when it encounters an end-of-file from in.

Although *newline* is intended to be a byte string, it can be any value, and it is written using display.

```
(base64-decode-stream in out) → void?
in : input-port?
out : output-port?
```

Reads a Base 64 encoding from in and writes the decoded result to out. The procedure returns when it encounters an end-of-file or Base 64 terminator = from in.

13.2 Base64 Unit

```
(require net/base64-unit) package: compatibility-lib
base640 : unit?
```

Imports nothing, exports base64⁻.

13.3 Base64 Signature

```
(require net/base64-sig) package: compatibility-lib
base64^ : signature
```

Includes everything exported by the net/base64 module.

base640 and base64^ are deprecated. They exist for backwardcompatibility and will likely be removed in the future. New code should use the net/base64 module.

14 Quoted-Printable: Encoding and Decoding

```
(require net/qp) package: net-lib
```

The net/qp library provides utilities for quoted-printable (mime-standard) encoding and decoding from RFC 2045 section 6.7.

The library was written by Francisco Solsona.

14.1 Functions

```
(qp\text{-encode } bstr) \rightarrow bytes?
bstr : bytes?
```

Consumes a byte string and returns its quoted printable representation as a new string. The encoded string uses $\#"\r"$ where necessary to create shorter lines.

```
(qp-decode bstr) → bytes?
bstr : bytes?
```

Consumes a byte string and returns its un-quoted printable representation as a new string. Non-soft line breaks are preserved in whatever form they exist (CR, LR, or CRLF) in the input string.

```
(qp-encode-stream in out [newline-bstr]) → void?
in : input-port?
out : output-port?
newline-bstr : bytes? = #"\n"
```

Reads characters from in and writes the quoted printable encoded result to out.

The newline-bstr argument is used for soft line-breaks (after =). Note that the default newline-bstr is just #"\n", not #"\r\n".

Other line breaks are preserved in whatever form they exist (CR, LR, or CRLF) in the input stream.

```
(qp-decode-stream in out) → void?
  in : input-port?
  out : output-port?
```

Reads characters from *in* and writes de-quoted-printable result to *out*. Non-soft line breaks are preserved in whatever form they exist (CR, LR, or CRLF) in the input stream.

14.2 Exceptions

```
(struct qp-error ()
    #:extra-constructor-name make-qp-error)
(struct qp-wrong-input qp-error ()
    #:extra-constructor-name make-qp-wrong-input)
(struct qp-wrong-line-size qp-error ()
    #:extra-constructor-name make-qp-wrong-line-size)
```

None of these are used anymore, but the bindings are preserved for backward compatibility.

14.3 Quoted-Printable Unit

```
(require net/qp-unit) package: compatibility-lib

qp@ : unit?
```

Imports nothing, exports qp^.

qp@ and qp^ are deprecated. They exist for backwardcompatibility and will likely be removed in the future. New code should use the net/qp module.

14.4 -Printable Signature

```
(require net/qp-sig) package: compatibility-lib

qp^ : signature
```

Includes everything exported by the net/qp module.

15 DNS: Domain Name Service Queries

```
(require net/dns) package: net-lib
```

The net/dns library provides utilities for looking up hostnames.

Thanks to Eduardo Cavazos and Jason Crowe for repairs and improvements.

15.1 Functions

Consults the specified nameserver (normally a numerical address like "128.42.1.30") to obtain a numerical address for the given Internet address.

The query record sent to the DNS server includes the "recursive" bit, but dns-get-address also implements a recursive search itself in case the server does not provide this optional feature.

If *ipv6*? is a true value, then the numerical address that is returned will be an IPv6 address. If no AAAA record exists, an error will be raised.

```
(dns-get-srv nameserver name service [proto]) → (listof srv-rr?)
nameserver : string?
name : string?
service : string?
proto : string? = "tcp"
(struct srv-rr (priority weight port target)
#:prefab)
priority : (integer-in 0 65535)
weight : (integer-in 0 65535)
port : (integer-in 0 65535)
target : string?
```

Consults the specified nameserver (normally a numerical address like "128.42.1.30") to retrieve the SRV records corresponding to the given name, service, and protocol. Returns a list of srv-rr structs if any corresponding SRV records are found; otherwise, returns '().

If service is "X", proto is "Y", and name is "example.com", then this will retrieve any SRV records at the domain name _X._Y.example.com.

An SRV record is a particular kind of DNS resource record that maps an abstract service name onto a hostname and port combination. For more information, see the Wikipedia page on SRV records.

The query record sent to the DNS server includes the "recursive" bit, but dns-get-srv also implements a recursive search itself in case the server does not provide this optional feature.

Examples:

```
> (dns-get-srv (dns-find-nameserver) "racket-lang.org" "xmpp-
client")
'(#s(srv-rr 0 0 5222 "xmpp.racket-lang.org"))
> (dns-get-srv (dns-find-nameserver) "racket-
lang.org" "nonexistent-protocol")
'()
> (dns-get-srv (dns-find-nameserver) "racket-lang.org" "xmpp-
client" "tcp")
'(#s(srv-rr 0 0 5222 "xmpp.racket-lang.org"))
> (dns-get-srv (dns-find-nameserver) "racket-lang.org" "xmpp-
client" "udp")
'()
```

Added in version 6.4.0.8 of package net-lib.

```
(dns-get-name nameserver address) → string?
  nameserver : string?
  address : string?
```

Consults the specified nameserver (normally a numerical address like "128.42.1.30") to obtain a name for the given numerical address.

```
(dns-get-mail-exchanger nameserver address) → string?
  nameserver : string?
  address : string?
```

Consults the specified nameserver to obtain the address for a mail exchanger the given mail host address. For example, the mail exchanger for "ollie.cs.rice.edu" might be "cs.rice.edu".

```
(dns-find-nameserver) \rightarrow (or/c string? #f)
```

Attempts to find the address of a nameserver on the present system. On Unix and Mac OS, this procedure parses "/etc/resolv.conf" to extract the first nameserver address. On Windows, it runs nslookup.exe.

15.2 DNS Unit

```
(require net/dns-unit) package: compatibility-lib
```

dns@ and dns^ are deprecated. They exist for backwardcompatibility and will likely be removed in the future. New code should use the net/dns module.

```
dns@ : unit?
```

Imports nothing, exports dns^.

15.3 DNS Signature

```
({\tt require \ net/dns-sig}) \qquad \quad {\tt package: \ compatibility-lib}
```

dns^ : signature

 $Includes \ dns-get-address, \ dns-get-name, \ dns-get-mail-exchanger \ and \ dns-find-names erver.$

16 NNTP: Newsgroup Protocol

```
(require net/nntp) package: net-lib
```

The net/nntp module provides tools to access Usenet group via NNTP [RFC977].

16.1 Connection and Operations

```
(struct communicator (sender receiver server port)
  #:extra-constructor-name make-communicator)
sender : output-port?
receiver : input-port?
server : string?
port : (integer-in 0 65535)
```

Once a connection to a Usenet server has been established, its state is stored in a communicator, and other procedures take communicators as an argument.

```
(connect-to-server server [port-number]) → communicator?
server : string?
port-number : (integer-in 0 65535) = 119
```

Connects to server at port-number.

```
(disconnect-from-server communicator) → void?
  communicator : communicator?
```

Disconnects an NNTP communicator.

```
(open-news-group communicator newsgroup)
  → exact-nonnegative-integer?
  exact-nonnegative-integer?
  exact-nonnegative-integer?
  communicator : communicator?
  newsgroup : string?
```

Selects the newsgroup of an NNTP connection. The returned values are the total number of articles in the group, the first available article, and the last available article.

Tries to authenticate a user with the original authinfo command (uses cleartext). The password argument is ignored if the server does not ask for it.

Given a message number, returns its header lines.

Given a message number, returns the body of the message.

```
(newnews-since communicator message-index) → (listof string?)
  communicator : communicator?
  message-index : exact-nonnegative-integer?
```

Implements the NEWNEWS command (often disabled on servers).

Useful primitive for implementing head-of-message, body-of-message and other similar commands.

```
(make-desired-header tag-string) → regexp?
  tag-string : string?
```

Takes a header field's tag and returns a regexp to match the field

```
(extract-desired-headers header desireds) → (listof string?)
header: (listof string?)
desireds: (listof regexp?)
```

Given a list of header lines and of desired regexps, returns the header lines that match any of the desireds.

16.2 Exceptions

```
(struct nntp exn ()
    #:extra-constructor-name make-nntp)
```

The supertype of all NNTP exceptions.

```
(struct unexpected-response nntp (code text)
    #:extra-constructor-name make-unexpected-response)
    code : exact-integer?
    text : string?
```

Raised whenever an unexpected response code is received. The text field holds the response text sent by the server.

```
(struct bad-status-line nntp (line)
    #:extra-constructor-name make-bad-status-line)
    line : string?
```

Raised for mal-formed status lines.

```
(struct premature-close nntp (communicator)
    #:extra-constructor-name make-premature-close)
communicator : communicator?
```

Raised when a remote server closes its connection unexpectedly.

```
(struct bad-newsgroup-line nntp (line)
    #:extra-constructor-name make-bad-newsgroup-line)
    line : string?
```

Raised when the newsgroup line is improperly formatted.

```
(struct non-existent-group nntp (group)
    #:extra-constructor-name make-non-existent-group)
group : string?
```

Raised when the server does not recognize the name of the requested group.

```
(struct article-not-in-group nntp (article)
    #:extra-constructor-name make-article-not-in-group)
article : exact-integer?
```

Raised when an article is outside the server's range for that group.

```
(struct no-group-selected nntp ()
    #:extra-constructor-name make-no-group-selected)
```

Raised when an article operation is used before a group has been selected.

```
(struct article-not-found nntp (article)
    #:extra-constructor-name make-article-not-found)
article : exact-integer?
```

Raised when the server is unable to locate the article.

```
(struct authentication-rejected nntp ()
    #:extra-constructor-name make-authentication-rejected)
```

Raised when the server reject an authentication attempt.

16.3 NNTP Unit

```
(require net/nntp-unit) package: compatibility-lib
nntp@ : unit?
```

Imports nothing, exports nntp^.

16.4 NNTP Signature

```
(require net/nntp-sig) package: compatibility-lib
nntp^ : signature
```

Includes everything exported by the net/nntp module.

nntp@ and nntp^ are deprecated. They exist for backwardcompatibility and will likely be removed in the future. New code should use the net/nntp module.

17 TCP: Unit and Signature

The net/tcp-sig and net/tcp-unit libraries define a tcp^ signature and tcp@ implementation, where the implementation uses racket/tcp.

Some units in the "net" collection import tcp, so that they can be used with transports other than plain TCP. For example, url@imports tcp.

See also tcp-redirect and make-ssl-tcp@.

17.1 TCP Signature

```
(require net/tcp-sig)
                         package: net-lib
tcp^ : signature
 (tcp-listen port-no
            [max-allow-wait
             reuse?
             hostname]) → tcp-listener?
  port-no : (integer-in 0 65535)
  max-allow-wait : exact-nonnegative-integer? = 4
   reuse? : any/c = #f
   hostname : (or/c string? #f) = #f
    Like tcp-listen from racket/tcp.
 (tcp-connect hostname
              port-no
              [local-hostname
              local-port-no]) → input-port? output-port?
  hostname : string?
   port-no : (integer-in 1 65535)
   local-hostname : (or/c string? #f) = #f
   local-port-no: (or/c (integer-in 1 65535) #f) = #f
    Like tcp-connect from racket/tcp.
 (tcp-connect/enable-break hostname
                           port-no
                           [local-hostname]
                           local-port-no)
  → input-port? output-port?
```

```
hostname : string?
  port-no : (integer-in 1 65535)
  local-hostname : (or/c string? #f) = #f
  local-port-no : (or/c (integer-in 1 65535) #f)
    Like tcp-connect/enable-break from racket/tcp.
(tcp-accept listener) → input-port? output-port?
  listener : tcp-listener?
    Like tcp-accept from racket/tcp.
(tcp-accept/enable-break listener) → input-port? output-port?
  listener : tcp-listener?
    Like tcp-accept/enable-break from racket/tcp.
(tcp-accept-ready? listener) \rightarrow boolean?
  listener : tcp-listener?
    Like tcp-accept-ready? from racket/tcp.
(tcp-close\ listener) \rightarrow void?
  listener : tcp-listener?
    Like tcp-close from racket/tcp.
(tcp-listener? v) \rightarrow boolean?
  v : any/c
    Like tcp-listener? from racket/tcp.
(tcp-abandon-port tcp-port) \rightarrow void?
  tcp-port : port?
    Like tcp-abandon-port from racket/tcp.
(tcp-addresses tcp-port [port-numbers?])
 → (or/c (values string? string?)
           (values string? (integer-in 1 65535)
                   string? (integer-in 1 65535)))
  tcp-port : port?
  port-numbers? : any/c = #f
```

Like tcp-addresses from racket/tcp.

17.2 TCP Unit

```
(require net/tcp-unit) package: net-lib
tcp@ : unit?
```

Imports nothing and exports tcp^* , implemented using racket/tcp.

18 TCP Redirect: tcp^ via Channels

```
(require net/tcp-redirect) package: net-lib
```

The net/tcp-redirect library provides a function for directing some TCP port numbers to use buffered channels instead of the TCP support from racket/tcp.

```
(tcp-redirect port-numbers) → unit?
  port-numbers : (listof (integer-in 0 65535))
```

Returns a unit that implements tcp^. For port numbers not listed in *port-numbers*, the unit's implementations are the racket/tcp implementations.

For the port numbers listed in *port-numbers* and for connections to "127.0.0.1", the unit's implementation does not use TCP connections, but instead uses internal buffered channels. Such channels behave exactly as TCP listeners and ports.

19 SSL Unit: tcp^ via SSL

```
(require net/ssl-tcp-unit) package: net-lib
```

The net/ssl-tcp-unit library provides a function for creating a tcp^ implementation with openssl functionality.

Returns a unit that implements tcp^ using the SSL functions from openssl. The arguments to make-ssl-tcp@ control the certificates and keys uses by server and client connections:

- server-cert-file a PEM file for a server's certificate; #f means no certificate (which is unlikely to work with any SSL client)
- server-key-file a private key PEM to go with server-cert-file; #f means no key (which is likely renders a certificate useless)
- server-root-cert-files a list of PEM files for trusted root certificates; #f disables verification of peer client certificates
- server-suggest-auth-file PEM file for root certificates to be suggested to peer clients that must supply certificates
- client-cert-file a PEM file for a client's certificate; #f means no certificate (which is usually fine)
- client-key-file a private key PEM to go with client-cert-file; #f means no key (which is likely renders a certificate useless)
- *client-root-cert-files* a list of PEM files for trusted root certificates; #f disables verification of peer server certificates

20 CGI Scripts

```
(require net/cgi) package: net-lib
```

The net/cgi module provides tools for scripts that follow the Common Gateway Interface [CGI].

The net/cgi library expects to be run in a certain context as defined by the CGI standard. This means, for instance, that certain environment variables will be bound.

Unfortunately, not all CGI environments provide this. For instance, the FastCGI library, despite its name, does not bind the environment variables required of the standard. Users of FastCGI will need to bind REQUEST_METHOD and possibly also QUERY_STRING to successfully employ the CGI library. The FastCGI library ought to provide a way to extract the values bound to these variables; the user can then put these into the CGI program's environment using the putenv function.

A CGI *binding* is an association of a form item with its value. Some form items, such as checkboxes, may correspond to multiple bindings. A binding is a tag-string pair, where a tag is a symbol or a string.

20.1 CGI Functions

```
(get-bindings)
  → (listof (cons/c (or/c symbol? string?)) string?))
(get-bindings/post)
  → (listof (cons/c (or/c symbol? string?) string?))
(get-bindings/get)
  → (listof (cons/c (or/c symbol? string?) string?))
```

Returns the bindings that corresponding to the options specified by the user. The get-bindings/post and get-bindings/get variants work only when POST and GET forms are used, respectively, while get-bindings determines the kind of form that was used and invokes the appropriate function.

These functions respect current-alist-separator-mode.

```
(extract-bindings key? bindings) → (listof string?)
  key?: (or/c symbol? string?)
  bindings: (listof (cons/c (or/c symbol? string?)) string?))
```

Given a key and a set of bindings, determines which ones correspond to a given key. There may be zero, one, or many associations for a given key.

```
(extract-binding/single key? bindings) → string?
  key?: (or/c symbol? string?)
  bindings: (listof (cons/c (or/c symbol? string?))
```

Like extract-bindings, but for a key that has exactly one association.

```
(output-http-headers) → void?
```

Outputs all the HTTP headers needed for a normal response. Only call this function if you are not using generate-html-output or generate-error-output.

Outputs an response: a title and a list of strings for the body.

The last five arguments are each strings representing a HTML color; in order, they represent the color of the text, the background, un-visited links, visited links, and a link being selected.

```
(string->html str) → string? str : string?
```

Converts a string into an HTML string by applying the appropriate HTML quoting conventions.

```
(generate-link-text str html-str) → string?
  str : string?
  html-str : string?
```

Takes a string representing a URL, a HTML string for the anchor text, and generates HTML corresponding to an anchor.

```
(generate-error-output strs) → any
strs : (listof string?)
```

The procedure takes a list of HTML strings representing the body, prints them with the subject line "Internal error", and exits via exit.

```
(get-cgi-method) → (or/c "GET" "POST")
```

Returns either "GET" or "POST" when invoked inside a CGI script, unpredictable otherwise.

```
(bindings-as-html listof) → (listof string?)
listof : (cons/c (or/c symbol? string?) string?)
```

Converts a set of bindings into a list of HTML strings, which is useful for debugging.

20.2 CGI Unit

```
(require net/cgi-unit) package: compatibility-lib
cgi@ : unit?
```

Imports nothing, exports cgi^.

cgi@ and cgi^ are deprecated. They exist for backwardcompatibility and will likely be removed in the future. New code should use the net/cgi module.

20.3 CGI Signature

```
(require net/cgi-sig) package: compatibility-lib
cgi^ : signature
```

Includes everything exported by the net/cgi module.

21 Cookie: Legacy HTTP Client Storage

NOTE: This library is deprecated; use the net-cookies package, instead. That package (source on GitHub) implements RFC 6265 [RFC6265] (which supersedes RFC 2109) and supports creating cookies on the server in an idiom more typical of Racket.

```
(require net/cookie) package: net-lib
```

The net/cookie library provides utilities for using cookies as specified in RFC 2109 [RFC2109].

21.1 Functions

```
(cookie? v) \rightarrow boolean? v : any/c
```

Returns #t if v represents a cookie, #f otherwise.

```
(valid-domain? v) → boolean?
v : any/c
```

Returns #t if v represents a valid domain, #f otherwise.

```
(cookie-name? v) \rightarrow boolean? v : any/c
```

Returns #t if v is a valid cookie name string, #f otherwise.

```
(cookie-value? v) → boolean?
v : any/c
```

Returns #t if v is a valid cookie value string, #f otherwise.

```
(set-cookie name value) → cookie?
  name : cookie-name?
  value : cookie-value?
```

Creates a new cookie, with default values for required fields.

```
(cookie:add-comment cookie comment) → cookie?
  cookie: cookie?
  comment: string?
```

Modifies cookie with a comment, and also returns cookie.

```
(cookie:add-domain cookie domain) → cookie?
  cookie: cookie?
  domain: valid-domain?
```

Modifies *cookie* with a domain, and also returns *cookie*. The *domain* must match a prefix of the request URI.

```
(cookie:add-max-age cookie seconds) → cookie?
  cookie: cookie?
  seconds: exact-nonnegative-integer?
```

Modifies *cookie* with a maximum age, and also returns *cookie*. The *seconds* argument is number of seconds that a client should retain the cookie.

```
(cookie:add-path cookie path) → cookie?
  cookie: cookie?
  path: valid-path?
```

Modifies cookie with a path, and also returns cookie.

```
(cookie:add-expires cookie path) → cookie?
  cookie : cookie?
  path : string
```

Modifies cookie with an expiration, and also returns cookie.

```
(cookie:secure cookie secure) → cookie?
  cookie: cookie?
  secure: boolean?
```

Modifies cookie with a security flag, and also returns cookie.

```
(cookie:version cookie version) → cookie?
  cookie: cookie?
  version: exact-nonnegative-integer?
```

Modifies *cookie* with a version, and also returns *cookie*. The default is the only known incarnation of HTTP cookies: 1.

```
(print-cookie cookie) → string?
  cookie : cookie?
```

Prints cookie to a string. Empty fields do not appear in the output except when there is a required default.

```
(get-cookie name cookies) → (listof cookie-value?)
name : cookie-name?
cookies : string?
```

Returns a list with all the values (strings) associated with name.

The method used to obtain the "Cookie" header depends on the web server. It may be an environment variable (CGI), or you may have to read it from the input port (FastCGI), or maybe it comes in an initial-request structure, etc. The get-cookie and get-cookie/single procedure can be used to extract fields from a "Cookie" field value.

```
(get-cookie/single name cookies) → (or/c cookie-value? #f)
  name : cookie-name?
  cookies : string?
```

Like get-cookie, but returns the just first value string associated to name, or #f if no association is found.

```
(struct cookie-error exn:fail ()
    #:extra-constructor-name make-cookie-error)
```

Raised for errors when handling cookies.

21.2 Examples

21.2.1 Creating a cookie

Produces

```
"foo=bar; Max-Age=3600; Path=/servlets; Version=1"
```

To use this output in a "regular" CGI, instead of the last line use:

```
(display (format "Set-Cookie: ~a" (print-cookie c)))
```

and to use with the PLT Web Server, use:

21.2.2 Parsing a cookie

Imagine your Cookie header looks like this:

```
> (define cookies
  "test2=2; test3=3; xfcTheme=theme6; xfcTheme=theme2")
```

Then, to get the values of the xfcTheme cookie, use

```
> (get-cookie "xfcTheme" cookies)
'("theme6" "theme2")
> (get-cookie/single "xfcTheme" cookies)
"theme6"
```

If you try to get a cookie that simply is not there:

```
> (get-cookie/single "foo" cookies)
#f
> (get-cookie "foo" cookies)
'()
```

Note that not having a cookie is normally not an error. Most clients won't have a cookie set then first arrive at your site.

21.3 Cookie Unit

```
(require net/cookie-unit) package: compatibility-lib
cookie@ : unit?
```

Imports nothing, exports cookie^.

21.4 Cookie Signature

```
(require net/cookie-sig) package: compatibility-lib
```

cookie@ and cookie^ are deprecated. They exist for backwardcompatibility and will likely be removed in the future. New code should use the net-cookies package.

```
cookie^: signature
```

Includes everything exported by the net/cookie module.

22 Git Repository Checkout

```
(require net/git-checkout) package: base
```

The net/git-checkout library provides support for extracting a directory tree from a Git repository that is hosted by a server that implements the git:// protocol or its layering over HTTP(S). The net/git-checkout library does not rely on external binaries (such as a git client) or Git-specific native libraries (such as "libgit").

When run as a program, net/git-checkout accepts command-line arguments to drive the checkout. Use

```
racket -l- net/git-checkout -h
```

for information on command-line arguments and flags.

```
(git-checkout hostname
              repository
              #:dest-dir dest-dir
             [#:ref ref
              #:initial-search-ref initial-search-ref
              #:transport transport
              #:depth depth
              #:status-printf status-printf
              #:initial-error initial-error
              #:tmp-dir tmp-dir
              #:clean-tmp-dir? clean-tmp-dir?
              #:verify-server? verify-server?
              #:port port
              #:strict-links? strict-links?
              #:username username
              #:password password])
→ string?
 hostname : string?
 repository : string?
 dest-dir : (or/c path-string? #f)
 ref : (or/c string? 'head) = 'head
 initial-search-ref : string? = "master"
 transport : (or/c 'git 'http 'https) = 'git
 depth : (or/c #f exact-positive-integer?) = 1
 status-printf : (string? any/c ... . -> . void?)
                = (lambda args
                    (apply printf args)
                    (flush-output))
 initial-error : (or #f (-> any)) = #f
 tmp-dir : (or/c #f path-string?) = #f
```

Contacts the server at hostname and port (where #f is replaced by the default) to download the repository whose name on the server is repository (normally ending in ".git"). The tree within the repository that is identified by ref is extracted to dest-dir, and it returns a string containing a commit ID corresponding to ref. The ref argument can be a string for a branch, tag, commit ID, or tree ID, or it can be 'head to refer to the default branch as reported by the server.

If transport is 'git, then the server is contacted using Git's native transport. If transport is 'http or 'https, then the server is contacted using HTTP(S). In the case of 'https, the server's identity is verified unless verify-server? is false or the GIT_SSL_NO_VERIFY environment variable is set.

If dest-dir is #f, then the result is an ID determined for ref from just the server's report of the available branches and tags, or ref itself if it does not match a branch or tag name and looks like an ID.

A local clone of the repository is *not* preserved, but is instead discarded after the tree is extracted to *dest-dir*. If *dest-dir* does not exist, it is created. If *dest-dir* does exist, its existing content is left in place except as replaced by content from the Git repository.

If ref identifies a branch or tag by name, through 'head, or by its commit ID, then the git:// protocol allows git-checkout to download only the commits and objects relevant to the branch or tag. Furthermore, the default depth argument allows git-checkout to obtain only the latest commit and its objects, instead of the entire history of the branch or commit. If ref is any other commit ID or tree ID, then the entire repository may have to be downloaded, including all branches; however, commits in the branch or tag named by initial-search-ref will be checked, first.

Status information is reported via *status-printf*. The same information is always logged with the name 'git-checkout at the 'info level.

If *initial-error* is not #f, then it is called (to raise an exception or otherwise escape) if initial communication with the server fails to match the expected protocol—perhaps indicating that the server does not provide a Git repository at the given address. If *initial-error* is #f or returns when called, an exception is raised.

If tmp-dir is not #f, then it is used to store a temporary clone of the repository, and the files are preserved unless clean-tmp-dir? is true. The clone does not currently match the shape that is recognized by other tools, such as git, and so a preserved temporary directory is useful mainly for debugging.

If strict-links? is true, then the checkout fails with an error if it would produce a symbolic link that refers to an absolute path or to a relative path that contains up-directory elements.

If both username and password are non-#f and transport is 'http or 'https, then the provided credentials are passed to the remote server using HTTP Basic Authentication.

Added in version 6.1.1.1 of package base.

Changed in version 6.2.900.17: Added the strict-links? argument.

Changed in version 6.3: Added the initial-error argument.

Changed in version 6.6.0.5: Added the username and password arguments.

Changed in version 6.6.0.5: Changed to raise exn:fail:git exceptions instead of exn:fail.

Changed in version 8.0.0.8: Added support for ref as 'head and made 'head the default.

Changed in version 8.2.0.5: Added the initial-search-ref argument.

```
(current-git-username) → (or/c string? #f)
(current-git-username username) → void?
  username : (or/c string? #f)
(current-git-password) → (or/c string? #f)
(current-git-password password) → void?
  password : (or/c string? #f)
```

Parameters used by git-checkout as the default values of the username and password arguments to control authentication with the remote server.

Added in version 6.6.0.5 of package base.

```
(struct exn:fail:git exn:fail ()
    #:extra-constructor-name make-exn:fail:git
    #:transparent)
```

Raised by git-checkout due to errors parsing or communicating with the git protocol.

Added in version 6.6.0.5 of package base.

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