

Lightweight Directory Access Protocol (LDAP)

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Lightweight Directory Access Protocol (LDAP) is a client/server protocol used to access and manage directory information. It reads and edits directories over [Internet Protocol \(IP\)](#) networks and runs directly over [Transmission Control Protocol \(TCP\)](#)/IP using simple string formats for data transfer. It was originally developed as a front end to X.500 Directory Access Protocol.

Lightweight Directory Access Protocol is also known as RFC 1777.

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