

How can I access my Windows (SMB) file server from Athena?

How can I access my Windows (SMB) file server from Athena?

The `smbclient` program can be used to access Windows file shares from Athena. This program provides an ftp-like interface to access Windows servers.

To list the shares on a host, use the "-L" option to `smbclient`:

```
joeuser@athena:~$ smbclient -L hostname
```

Note: Be sure to fill in the correct information for *hostname*.

To connect, specify a hostname and a share name:

```
joeuser@athena:~$ smbclient //hostname/share
```

Note: Be sure to fill in the correct information for *hostname* and *share*.

Note: You cannot easily use the `smbclient` program to connect to your WIN.MIT.EDU DFS home directory (your "H:" drive on WinAthena machines). To do that, please see [How can I access my WIN.MIT.EDU \(WinAthena\) home directory from Linux?](#).