

# How to access files on a different server

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## Question:

Can we run a program in server 1 and update the data to database sitting on server 2?

## Answer:

- Start the File Server on server 2.

Your command might look like this:

```
iscserver -fs -hostname server2-ip-address
```

- Set the iscobol.file.prefix property using remote isf protocol.

The setting might look like this:

```
iscobol.file.prefix=isf://server-ip-address:/path/to/data
```

There are many additional options and settings for running the file server and using remote isf protocol. Please check the documentation for the isCOBOL File Server in the isCOBOL Application Server documentation.