

GUI vs. CLI

Thus far, I understand the distinctions between GUI and CLI systems where a GUI exists as a more user-friendly interface designed for users who wish to navigate their computer more visually and simplistically. CLI on the other hand is a strictly text code-based interface, but allows users to access aspects of their computer in a much more deliberate and nuanced fashion. Though I am still struggling to understand certain commands as they differ on Mac OS as opposed to Windows OS, I understand that their function can be helpful tool in locating files that sometimes appear hidden or difficult to find on a GUI system. One thing I am curious about is the new zsh Unix shell that all Macs have updated to. I was trying to navigate my terminal using many of the commands you provided in the brief tutorial, but since I am on Mac OS and you are on Windows, the commands do not translate over. As a result, I looked at the Unix for the Beginning Mage text but even then, some of the commands seem to outdated with Mac's new Unix shell. I have updated my shell zsh but I am curious if I should go one step further and download Oh My Zsh as the developers of zsh suggest. So far, I prefer the GUI system but this is purely because I am unfamiliar with CLI systems. However, I would like to learn more about CLI systems as I taking this class out of interest in utilizing MAX MSP to create music and sound for creative projects.