Avoiding converter website with linux utilities

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Utility list

Below are the links to the command-not-found page, which gives a quick install and usage guide for each of the commands

command	usage
jupyter nbconvert	Convert jupy
pandoc	ter notebooks \rightarrow almost anything Convert almost anything
pdfunite	Combine pdfs

Below are some of the expanded explanations on how to install and use the utility, refer to this if the above websites are insufficient

to pdf

```
\mathtt{.ipynb} \, \to \, \mathtt{.pdf}
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If you want just the command, and assuming you have the jupyter installed here you go:

```
jupyter nbconvert --to FORMAT notebook.ipynb
```

To fully get this working you need to have jupyter installed, and to install this you need to have the python package manager pip. To install all of this you should be able to run the following commands:

```
sudo apt install python3
sudo apt install python3-pip
sudo pip3 install --upgrade pip
pip install jupyter
```

Note - I tested the install commands only for ubuntu, so they might not work for your distro, but once you have jupyter installed it should work all the same.

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.md / .txt 
ightarrow .pdf
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For this one there is a chance you don't have the deps so the command for these is

```
sudo apt install \
  pandoc \
  texlive-latex-base \
  texlive-fonts-recommended \
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texlive-extra-utils \
texlive-latex-extra \
texlive-xetex
```

To then convert a markdown or txt file run the following

```
pandoc MANUAL.txt -o txtdoc.pdf
pandoc MANUAL.md -o mddoc.pdf
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 ${f Note}$ - pandoc actually has a lot of different conversions if you need something more specific converted so its a really nice utility to have

combining pdf

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If you want to combine multiple .pdf's into one you can use pdfunite as follows

To install the deps

```
sudo apt-get install poppler-utils
```

To combine multiple pdfs into one

pdfunite path/to/fileA.pdf path/to/fileB.pdf path/to/merged_output.pdf