Introduction to the Command Line

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About Me

- Started in tech in 2000, Comp Sci degree
- Only knew windows before
- Command line was a mystery to me
- Grew to love it
- Book on bash, spend most of my time on the command line today

Pre-requisites

- Access to a command line
- Ideally bash
- Nice to have knowledge of basic bash
 - Introduction to Bash course available
 - Pipes most common feature likely to be used

Why This Course?

- Command line is efficient
- For people who are:
 - New to it
 - Want to learn more about it
 - Want to progress further
- NOT a complete list of all commands used
 - Try to cover wide ground, beginner to expert
 - Try to show how to learn more

We Will Cover

- A lot of commands
- Some techniques
- Some key concepts
 - Readline
 - History of terminals
- Anything you want...

Structure of Course

- Part I The Core
 - Commands
- Part II Text and Files
 - Text and file manipulation and search
 - Readline
- Part III Networking and System
 - Web requests
 - Network debugging
 - Service management
 - System monitoring

Poll - Experience

- Never used command line
- Used a little (less than one year)
- Use rarely (longer than a year)
- Use all the time

Discussion

- What do you want to learn about?
- What problems have you faced?

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- Part I Core commands
 - Exercise / Break
- Part II Text and File Manipulation Commands
 - Exercise / Break
- Part III Networking and System Commands

Materials

https://github.com/ianmiell/introduction-to-the-command-line

Part I - Core Commands

- cd
- mkdir
- rm
- Is
- cat
- echo

Part I - Core Commands

- less
 - How to use + tips
- man
 - How to use + tips

Part I - Core Commands

- cd
- mkdir
- rm
- Is
- cat
- echo -n

Part I - Exercise / Break

Part II - Text and File Manipulation

- Regular Expressions
- grep
- tr
- sed
- sort / uniq
- tail
- diff / sdiff
- Readline

Part II - Exercise / Break

Part III - Networking and System

- Networking:
 - wget vs curl
 - nc
 - ip
 - dig
 - ping

Part III - Networking and System

System:

- systemctl
- top
- ps
- kill
- Isof
- free
- strace

Wrapup Q&A

Thanks!

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