Getting Started with Bash

The Bash shell is one of the most popular Linux/Unix/Mac shells, and it can be very useful to know the most basic commands. There are plenty of tutorials and guides online (e.g. Bash Guide for Beginners), and the DTU library has several books and ebooks about the Bash shell. Here is a short list of essential commands (see also: gBAR Unix commands):

- change directory with `cd` (a single . is shorthand for the current directory, and .. is shorthand for the parent directory)

- list the names of the files in the current directory with `ls`

- format and display the on-line manual pages with `man`

- copy files with `cp`

- move files with `mv`

- remove (delete) files with `rm`

- get the path of the current working directory with `pwd`

- terminate your shell session or script with `exit`