Wget Cheatsheet

Unique Features

- · Command-line utility for downloading files from the web
- · Supports recursive downloads
- Can follow links and download pages and their requisites
- Supports resuming interrupted downloads
- Can be used for mirroring entire websites
- Available on most Unix-like operating systems

Basic Usage

- Download a single file: wget [url]
- Download a file with a specific name: wget -O [filename] [url]
- Download a file in the background: wget -b [url]
- Download a file with a user agent string: wget --user-agent="[user agent]" [url]

Advanced Usage

- Limit download speed: wget --limit-rate=[rate] [url]
- Download recursively: wget -r [url]
- Mirror a website: wget --mirror -p --convert-links -P [directory] [url]
- Resume a partially downloaded file: wget -c [url]
- Follow links and download requisites: wget --page-requisites [url]
- Use a proxy server: wget --proxy-user=[username] --proxy-password=[password] --proxy=[server] [url]

Output Options

- Log to a file: wget -o [logfile] [url]
- Verbose output: wget -v [url]
- No output: wget -q [url]

Resources

- Wget Manual
- Wget Wikipedia Page