Mac Terminal Cheatsheet

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Core Commands

cd	*Home directory*
cd [Folder Name]	*Change directory*
cd /	*Root of drive*
cd ..	*Go to parent directory*
ls	*List contents of current directory (short)*
ls -l	*List contents of current directory (long)*
ls -a	*List contents, including hidden files*
ls -lh	*List contents with human readable file sizes*
sudo [command]	*Run command with the security privileges of the superuser*
open [file]	*Opens a file (as if you double clicked it)*
clear	*Clear screen*

Command History

history [n]	*Shows the stuff typed, add number to limit to last n items*
ctrl-r	*Interactively search through previously typed commands*
!!	*Execute the last command typed*

File Management

touch [file]	*Create new file*
rm [file]	*Remove a file*
rm-i [file]	*Remove with confirmation*
rm-f [file]	*Force removal without confirmation*
cp [file] [newfile]	*Copy file to file*
cp [file] [dir]	*Copy file to directory*
mv [file] [new name]	*Rename file*
mv -v [file] [dir]	*Move file*

Directory Management

mkdir [dir]	*Create new directory*
mkdir -p [dir]/[dir]	*Create nested directories*
rmdir [dir]	*Remove directory (only works when empty)*
rm -R [dir]	*Remove directory and its content*
cp -r [source] [dest]	*Copy directory to destination*
pwd	*Full path to working directory*

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