

Arch Linux

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- Arch isn't just a Linux distribution, Arch is a lifestyle.

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Error messages can be terrifying when you aren't prepared for them; but they can be fun when you have the right attitude. Just remember that you really haven't hurt the computer's feelings, and that nobody will hold the errors against you.

— D. E. Knuth, the $\text{T}_{\text{E}}\text{X}$ book, p. 30

How to get help

- Come to LUG!
- Send mail to our mailing list:
`lug@mailman.mines.edu`
- Check the Arch Wiki:
`https://wiki.archlinux.org`
- Post on the Arch BBS:
`https://bbs.archlinux.org`
- Linux & Unix Stack Overflow:
`http://unix.stackexchange.com`
- The Linux Documentation Project
`http://tldp.org`