

Weekly Report 3

Exploring Desktop Environments

Different desktop environments:

- Gnome
- Mate
- KDE
- XFCE
- Cinnamon
- Pantheon

Definitions of Gui and DE

Desktop Environments (cont)

- **GUI:** A graphical user interface is a set of programs that allows a user to interact with the computer system via icons, windows, and various other visual elements.
- **DE:** A desktop environment is an implementation of the desktop metaphor made of a bundle of programs running on top of a computer operating system, which shares a common GUI, sometimes described as a graphical shell.
- Different Linux distributions ship with different desktop environments. The most common being GNOME and KDE.

Common Elements of a DE:

- Desktop Settings
- Display Manager
- File Manager
- Icons
- Favortites Bar

The bash shell

Managing software