

Intro to percol

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`percol` adds flavor of interactive selection to the traditional pipe concept on UNIX.

What's percol, actually?

- It's like helm.el / anything.el (Emacs)
- It's like “Command + Shift + o” (IntelliJ)
- It's like unite.vim (Vim)

How helm.el works

- 1 Collect data
- 2 Filter it
- 3 Select something
- 4 Make an action toward it

How percol works

- Collect data (especially from shell)
- Filter it
- Redirect or pipe it

easy percol examples

```
$ percol /PATH/TO/LOGFILE  
$ ls -al /PATH/TO/SOMEWHERE | percol  
$ ps aux | percol
```

alias with pipe (ZSH) works!

Add following line to `.zshrc`:

```
alias -g P="| percol --match-method  
regex"
```

Try followings then:

```
$ ls -al /PATH/TO/SOMEWHERE P  
$ ps aux P
```

advanced percol examples (history search)

Put followings gist to `~/.zshrc` and try
C-r:

- `https://gist.github.com/mahata/459717b8e27b8445b04a`

advanced percol examples (pgrep / pkill)

```
$ ps aux | percol | awk '{ print $2 }'  
$ ps aux | percol | awk '{ print $2 }'  
    | xargs kill
```

Use C-space to choose multiple items.

How to install percol

EASY!!

```
$ pip install percol
```

Competitors

- `zaw`
- `canything`
- `peco`
- `fzf`

Appendix

- This material is generated by Pandoc. Try
“pandoc -H header.tex --listings -t beamer
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o percol.pdf percol.md”
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