

It's a fun process to start thinking about the function of a command-line as opposed to GUI. Since the entirety of my life has been spent interacting exclusively with Graphic User Interfaces it's incredibly easy to assume that the GUI *is* the actual computer. However, when one considers the command-line, you start to realize that the GUI is little more than a really well dressed-up command line; that it's only showing the tip of the iceberg. This is something that's really easy to take for granted but after spending some time familiarizing myself with the command line I have a much greater appreciation for the accessibility provided by a GUI. What takes immense memorization of prompts, understanding of potential errors and patience to input commands takes one, maybe two, clicks using my operating system. Despite this, I'd still like to become more proficient in the command prompts as we progress through the course as I see it being a useful skill to have as so much information is obfuscated by the surface level of the GUI for the sake of not overwhelming the user. I believe that understanding how to access and work with this deeper information will be crucial to understanding and working with coding in my future creative projects.