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Lab - active desktop

Get activedesktop working on DCU Linux.

Start with this base

url=WEBCAMURL
file=\$HOME/webcam.jpg

Recipe - For 40%

- 1. Change WEBCAMURL to point to a JPEG from a webcam that exists now. e.g. Aberdeen City Council.
- 2. You will have to find the URL not of the webpage, but of the JPEG image itself. (How?)
- 3. Use wget to download the JPEG to the file. The format should be like:

wget -q -O - REMOTEJPEG > LOCALJPEG

4. Check that it works. (Double-click on the JPEG downloaded.)

For 60%

- 1. When the above is working: Use **gsettings** to set the JPEG as the background image.
- 2. Check that it works, and it does set the background image.
- 3. When the above is working: Insert the "sleep" and the "while" loop.

For 100% - Demo it

- 1. Start with blank background.
- 2. Show me how to launch it detached.
- 3. Show me how to find it with **ps**.
- 4. Hint: Find the "sleep" process. Look at the parent process (PPID) of the "sleep" process.
- 5. Show me how to kill it.

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