

the z shell (zsh)

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a brief history of shells

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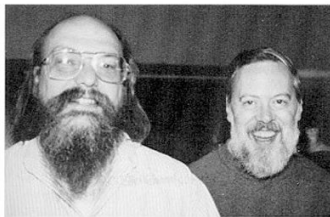
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 - On OS-X systems 10.0 - 10.2

80's

Korn shell

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1983: Korn shell

- Lots of C shell features.

The End, Question?