A Gentle Introduction to Linux

CAMH Computing Skills Workshop 1

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http://pipitone.github.io/computing-skills

WIFI

SSID: Transforming_Lives
Username in allcaps, e.g. JON_PIPITONE

In a pinch, use:

SSID: CAMHguest

Username: jon.pipitone@camh.ca

Password: 69303637

Room change: RS Tower T321

Upcoming workshops will be held in:

Russell Street Tower, room T321

Also, more spots available.

Me "Research Methods Specialist" aka computer nerd

- CAMH Research / Translational Imaging-Genetics Lab
- Research: computational anatomy, machine learning
- Sysadmin for lab + assist with SCC
- MSc in Computer Science at U of T
- Volunteer with Software Carpentry: teach computing skills to scientists (software-carpentry.org)
- 5 years as a software developer

Computing is important for science

"Software is as important to modern scientific research as telescopes and test tubes."

But,

"Scientists spend an increasing amount of time building and using software. However, most scientists are **never taught how to do this** efficiently."

(Wilson et al., 2014. PLOS Biology)

Agenda

- Introductions: name, job, lab
- Q/A
- What is an OS? What is Linux?
- What is the SCC?
- The Terminal / The Shell / Command line
- SSH: remote access
- How files and folders are organized
- A quick tour of the linux shell

Specialised Computing Cluster





SSH remote access

At CAMH, connect to the SCC:

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ssh test_user@192.168.214.10
ssh test_user@scc.pipitone.ca
    password: scc_user
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Or, if on the guest network:

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ssh camh_user@pipitone.ca
password: mostly harmless!
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Resources

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SCC wiki

info2.camh.net/scc

SciNet wiki + courses

support.scinet.utoronto.ca/wik

Software Carpentry workshops

software-carpentry.org
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CAMH research geeks mailing list:

bit.do/research-geeks

Workshops website:

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