

# Welcome to 107A



Our room is absurd

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- Who am I?
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- A community!
  - 107 is a lot of work, but it's a lot more work when you do it alone

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# Course Policies

- Attendance is mandatory at **both** sections every week!
- You have to attend all but 2 mandatory sections (mandatory = starting next week)
- You have to pass 107 in order to pass 107A
- If you have to miss class for any reason, let me know within 2 days and we can work something out
  - If you miss more than 2, I will also have to keep ACE leadership in the loop
- That's it!

# Class Meeting Time

- We had an unexpected room/time shuffle late last quarter
- This time is less than ideal for many reasons
- Please fill out this form to help us decide whether to stick with it or not

<https://forms.gle/FPapyfjTW4BF1L6e7>



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# Am I enrolled in 107A? Will I be?

- No one is enrolled yet - you need a permission number from me
- All non-grad students should receive an enrollment number by the end of the week
- All grad students should too as long as there isn't any rush of undergrads interested in the course

[web.stanford.edu/class/cs107a/](http://web.stanford.edu/class/cs107a/)

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# Today Part 2 (Unix)

- The command line
- Stanford's Myth machines
- Access the myth machines through ssh
- (if time) Talk about UNIX
  - Learn about file paths
  - Learn some useful commands you will use over and over!

# What is the command line?

- The way you use your computer now is really nice!
  - You have a mouse, a pretty desktop, little folder icons representing where your files are
- The command line is a text-based way to use your computer
  - Which is worse in most cases, but better for running code!

```
~ -zsh ...  
→ ~ cd Desktop  
→ Desktop ls  
2021-09-20_AL_Frankie_Cerkvenik.pdf  
2022-09-27_AL_Frankie_Cerkvenik.pdf  
AppIdeasBebsite  
Frankie Cerkvenik _ Block Party - Block Party CIIAA - Google Docs.pdf  
Frankie Cerkvenik _ Block Party - Employee Offer Letter.pdf  
FrankieCerkvenikResume2022.pdf  
JobApps  
Screen Shot 2022-06-22 at 11.27.07 AM.png  
Screen Shot 2022-10-13 at 5.29.07 PM.png  
Screen Shot 2022-10-22 at 12.30.29 PM.png  
→ Desktop
```



# Quick Demo - Terminal app on Mac

# What are the Myth machines?

- Computers in Gates basement! Room B08
- That you have access to :)
- And we will be using in this class to run all of our code

The Myth machines ->



ty Andrew Benson's slides for the pic

# UNIX and Linux

- UNIX and Linux are both operating systems - programs that run on every computer to define its basic functionality (Macs run MacOS!)
- The Myth machines use **Linux**, which was inspired by UNIX, so you might hear those terms interchangeably
- Operating systems define a set of commands that we can use from the command line (like `cd` and `ls`)
- In addition to using these commands, you will be implementing several of them throughout this quarter! **You** will become the OS-architect

# How do I connect to the myth machines? `ssh`

- You don't have to go all the way to Gates to use these computers
- You can connect to them via the internet using a program called `ssh` ("Secure Shell") that we run from the command line
- To connect to your "account" on the myth machines, run

```
ssh <your_SUNetID>@myth.stanford.edu
```

- It should ask for you password, enter it (the cursor won't move, just keep typing)

# Quick Demo - Myth



# The two most important UNIX commands + one more

- **ls [PATH]**
  - Means “list” - it will list out all the files and folders in the specified directory
  - You can run just **ls** and it will list all the files in the current directory
  - Or run **ls PATH** and it will list all the files in the directory given by **PATH**
- **cd PATH**
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- **mkdir [PATH/]name**
  - Means “make directory”
  - Will make a folder called name in the path given by **PATH**, or in the current directory if none is given

# File Paths

- When we say “**directory**”, think folder - its a file with other files in it!
- A **file path** specifies an exact route to a specific file or directory
  - `~/Desktop/example_file.txt` says that in the `~` directory, there is a folder called `Desktop`, which has a file called `example_file.txt` in it
- File paths can be **relative** or **absolute**
- Absolute paths start with special directory names, either `~` or `/`
  - `~` is the home directory, where you usually start in myth, `/` is the root directory
- Relative paths specify paths within the current directory you are in
  - `Desktop/example_file.txt` is a relative path. If we are currently in `~`, it would refer to `~/Desktop/example_file.txt`. If we were currently in `~/Documents`, it would refer to `~/Documents/Desktop/example_file.txt`
- Special relative paths: `.` means “current directory” and `..` means “parent directory”

**Demo - make your 107A folder**

**Demo - draw Frankie's file tree**

## Exercise:

```
cp -r /afs/ir/class/cs107a/WWW/lecture_code/wk1_1 .
```

# Exercise - groups of 5ish

1. Go around in a circle and introduce yourselves and say where you live. For each member of your group, create a textfile called THEIR\_NAME.txt in the appropriate subdirectory of the `campus` directory

Example: if Frankie lives in McFarland, create

```
CS107A/wk1_1/campus/east_campus/frankie.txt
```

2. Challenge: if two people live in the same dorm, create a subdirectory on the appropriate place titled `dorm_name` and move their textfiles into that directory.

Example: if Frankie and Jerry live in Wilbur, move

```
CS107A/wk1_1/campus/east_campus/frankie.txt and
```

```
CS107A/wk1_1/campus/east_campus/jerry.txt to
```

```
CS107A/wk1_1/campus/east_campus/wilbur
```

# Command-line quick-reference

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- **touch [PATH/]name**
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- **cp [-r] PATH\_SRC PATH\_DEST**
  - Means “copy”
  - Will copy the file specified by **PATH\_SRC**, or everything in the directory specified by **PATH\_SRC** if -r to the folder specified by **PATH\_DEST**

# Recap

- To pass 107A: attend class + pass 107
- Fill out OH + Class Time form!
- In 107, we do all our work on the Myth machines
- You can remotely log into the Myth machines using **ssh**  
**SUNET@myth.stanford.edu** in terminal
- Since we can only access the Myth machines through terminal, you will have to learn how to navigate using the command line
- **cd, ls, mkdir, emacs** are all commands you should get comfortable with!