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Accounts

For spam and moderation issues (public wikis need a lot of time and energy!), this wiki has anonymous editing disabled. This means that, to be able to edit a page, you must be signed into an account.

At the time of writing, public registration is DISABLED. To get an account, you can reach out to Matias Devred (the current host of the wiki) in person or via Matrix at @mat:allpurposem.at.

Editing pages

If you spot something that could be improved in a page, please feel free to edit it!

This wiki is built upon the collaboration of DAE students using Linux, but courses are ever-changing and experiences from newer students are needed to keep this knowledge base up-to-date!

General guidelines

Syntax and style

Pages are written in pure Markdown, to keep the format portable. You can find a cheat sheet for the syntax here.

Section titles use the `##` heading size, and sub-sections use `###`.

Use code blocks for commands or scripts. These take the form of:

```language
// code or command goes here
```

If it's a console command, please prepend it with a `$` to indicate so!

Accessibility

When inserting an image, try to include ALT text. This is an image description that goes in between the square brackets (here: `![Image description/ALT text](https://example.com/image.png)`). Three reasons to do this:

1. Accessibility: screen readers (software that reads a page back to you) requires ALT text to describe an image. Some folks depend on these.
2. Dead links: If an image URL ever stops working, future readers will still have the description to go off of.
3. Text-mode: Most text-mode browsers cannot display images, and instead show ALT text. This also applies to some Markdown viewers.

Structure

When describing a process or piece of software, try to include screenshots (with ALT text!) so someone following along with the page can check that they're on the right track!

When running a command that is not commonly available on Linux distros, please indicate where this can be obtained. If you can, add a command to install the dependencies for your distro (Arch Linux and Debian instructions preferred).