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Administrivia

- (None for now.)

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A Little More About make

- As noted previously, `make` was initially designed to be used as a programming tool, to make building large projects easier and/or more efficient.
- But it has other uses ...

Creative(?) Uses for make

- Makefile to produce different outputs from \LaTeX source.
- Makefile in `/var/yp` to update various databases when password, etc., files change.
- Makefile that basically automates itself (generating dependencies for programs).

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A Few Words About Scripting Languages

- Basics of shell scripting are (IMO!) a useful addition to one's bag of tricks — not just for writing scripts you will keep, but also for interactive use.
- But if you're doing anything complicated, especially if it involves working with text, consider using a scripting language. Perl is a traditional choice (so it's useful to know some Perl, in case you need to look at / modify someone else's code) but can be "write-only". Python is said to be a good choice too!

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Minute Essay

- None — sign in.

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