

Accidentally popular:

Beautiful CLI interfaces with

rich-click



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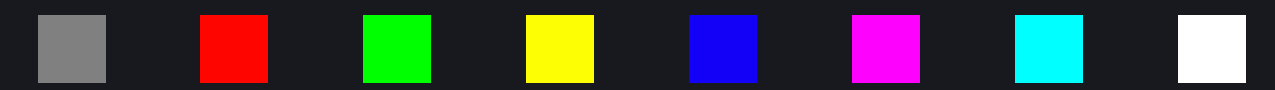
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Part 1: Origins

rich-click

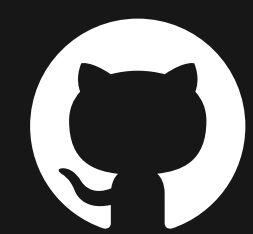


Part 2: Features

Part 3: Maintenance

Part 1: Origins

\$ click



pallets/click



Flask



Quart



Jinja



Click



Werkzeug



ItsDangerous



MarkupSafe

```
def hello(count, name):  
    """Simple program that greets NAME for a total of COUNT times."""  
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```

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import click

@click.command()
@click.option("--count")
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```

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import click

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if __name__ == "__main__":
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```



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import click
```

```
@click.command()
```



```
> python simple.py --help
```

```
Usage: simple.py [OPTIONS]
```

```
Simple program that greets NAME for a total of COUNT times.
```

```
Options:
```

```
--count INTEGER  Number of greetings.
```

```
--name TEXT      The person to greet. [required]
```

```
--help          Show this message and exit.
```

```
import click
```

```
@click.command()
```



```
> python simple.py
```

```
Usage: simple.py [OPTIONS]
```

```
Try 'simple.py --help' for help.
```

```
Error: Missing option '--name'.
```

```
import click
```

```
@click.command()
```



```
> python simple.py --name "PyCon Sweden" --count 3
```

```
Hello, PyCon Sweden!
```

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Hello, PyCon Sweden!
```

```
Hello, PyCon Sweden!
```



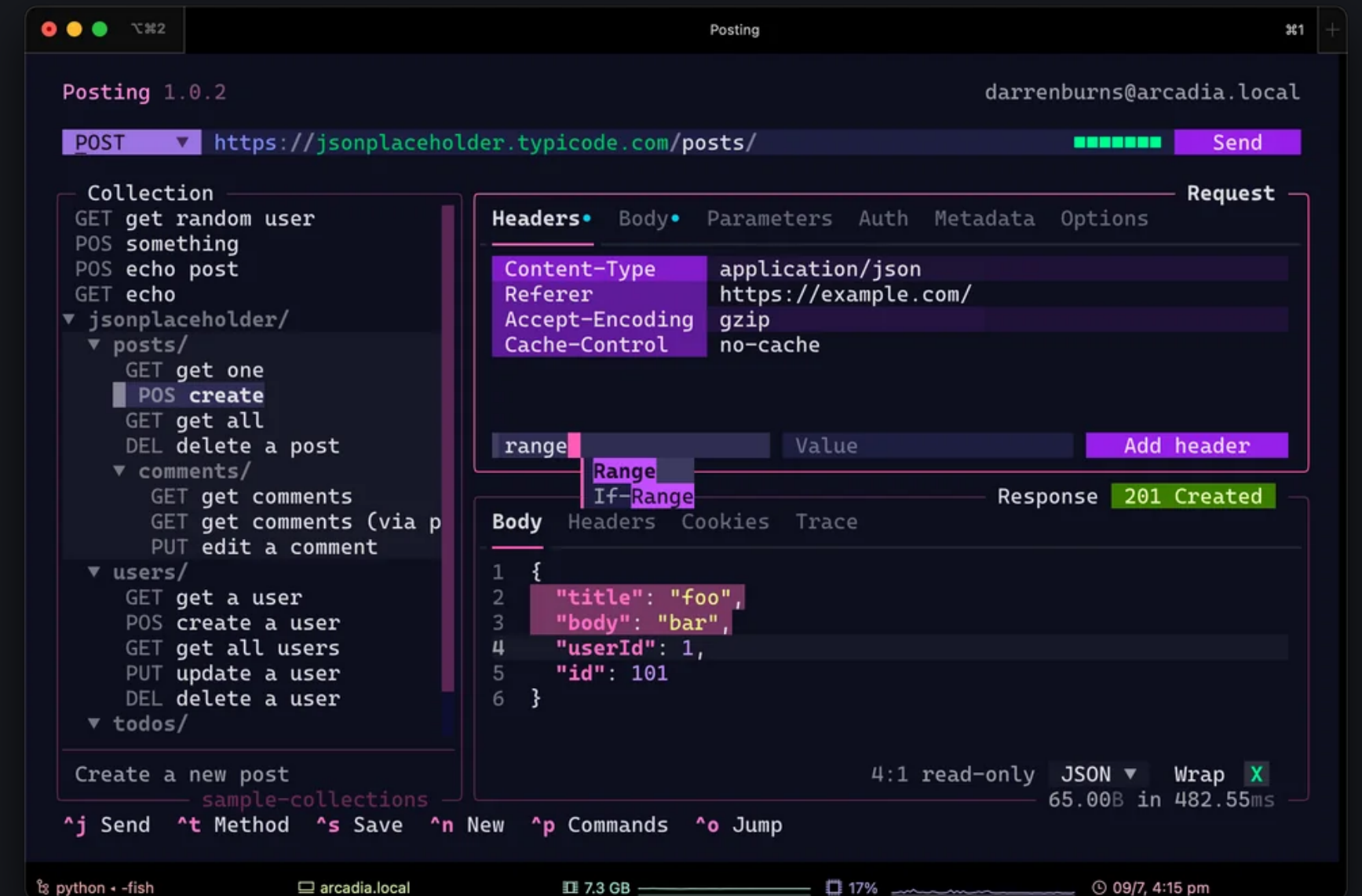
Will McGugan



rich_



 Textualize/rich

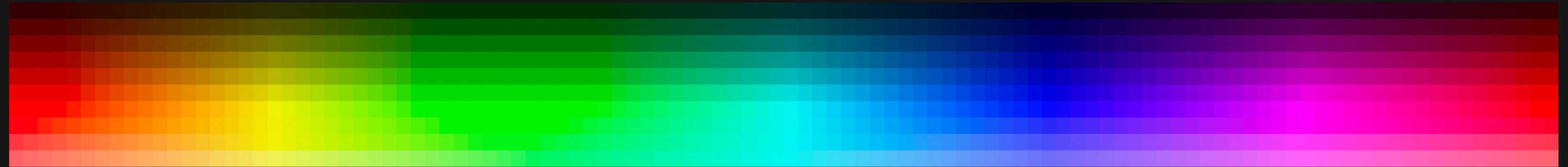




> python -m rich

Rich features

- ✓ 4-bit color
- ✓ 8-bit color
- ✓ Truecolor (16.7 million)
- ✓ Dumb terminals
- ✓ Automatic color conversion



Styles All ansi styles: **bold**, *dim*, *italic*, underline, ~~strikethrough~~, **reverse**, and even blink.

Text Word wrap text. Justify **left**, **center**, **right** or **full**.

<pre> Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur adipiscing elit. Quisque in metus sed sapien ultricies pretium a at justo. Maecenas luctus velit et auctor maximus. </pre>	<pre> Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur adipiscing elit. Quisque in metus sed sapien ultricies pretium a at justo. Maecenas luctus velit et auctor maximus. </pre>	<pre> Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur adipiscing elit. Quisque in metus sed sapien ultricies pretium a at justo. Maecenas luctus velit et auctor maximus. </pre>	<pre> Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, consectetur adipiscing elit. Quisque in metus sed sapien ultricies pretium a at justo. Maecenas luctus velit et auctor maximus. </pre>
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Asian language support 🇨🇳 该库支持中文，日文和韩文文本！
 🇯🇵 ライブラリは中国語、日本語、韓国語のテキストをサポートしています
 🇰🇷 이 라이브러리는 중국어, 일본어 및 한국어 텍스트를 지원합니다

Markup Rich supports a simple *bbcode*-like markup for color, style, and emoji! 🍌 🍏 🚲 🐻 🍌 🚌

Date	Title	Production Budget	Box Office
Dec 20, 2019	Star Wars: The Rise of Skywalker	\$275,000,000	\$375,126,118
May 25, 2018	Solo: A Star Wars Story	\$275,000,000	\$393,151,347
Dec 15, 2017	Star Wars Ep. VIII: The Last Jedi	\$262,000,000	\$1,332,539,889
May 19, 1999	Star Wars Ep. I: <i>The phantom Menace</i>	\$115,000,000	\$1,027,044,677

Syntax highlighting

```

1 def iter_last(values: Iterable[T]) -> Iterable[Tuple[bool, T]]: {
2     """Iterate and generate a tuple with a flag for last value. | 'foo': [

```

```
>>> my_list = ["foo", "bar"]
>>> from rich import inspect
>>> inspect(my_list, methods=True)
```

```
<class 'list'>
```

Built-in mutable sequence.

```
['foo', 'bar']
```

```
append = def append(object, /): Append object to the end of the list.
clear = def clear(): Remove all items from list.
copy = def copy(): Return a shallow copy of the list.
count = def count(value, /): Return number of occurrences of value.
extend = def extend(iterable, /): Extend list by appending elements from the iterable.
index = def index(value, start=0, stop=9223372036854775807, /): Return first index of value.
insert = def insert(index, object, /): Insert object before index.
pop = def pop(index=-1, /): Remove and return item at index (default last).
remove = def remove(value, /): Remove first occurrence of value.
reverse = def reverse(): Reverse *IN PLACE*.
sort = def sort(*, key=None, reverse=False): Sort the list in ascending order and return None.
```

```
>>> █
```

Python

```
>>> my_list = ["foo", "bar"]
>>> from rich import inspect
>>> inspect(my_list, methods=True)
```

Built-

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reverse

sort

```
(console) willmcgugan@mbp:~/projects/rich$ python -m rich.progress
```

```
  Downloading  ————— 5% • 0:00:22
```

```
  Processing  ————— 3% • 0:00:37
```

```
  Cooking  ————— 9% • 0:00:12
```

```
count = def count(value, /): Return number of occurrences of value.
```

```
extend = def extend(iterable, /): Extend list by appending elements from the iterable.
```

```
index = def index(value, start=0, stop=9223372036854775807, /): Return first index of value.
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pop = def pop(index=-1, /): Remove and return item at index (default last).
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>>>
```

```
Python
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>>> inspect(my_list, methods=True)
```

```
Built-in
['foo', 'bar']
append = def
clear = def
copy = def
count = def
extend = def
index = def
insert = def
pop = def
remove = def
reverse = def
sort = def
```

```
(console) willmcgugan@mbp:~/projects/rich$ python -m rich.progress
Downloading ————— 5% • 0:00:22
Processing ————— 3% • 0:00:27
```

```
[14:49:49] INFO Server starting... logging.py:62
[14:49:49] INFO Listening on http://127.0.0.1:8080 logging.py:63
[14:49:50] INFO GET /index.html 200 1298 logging.py:66
[14:49:50] INFO GET /imgs/backgrounds/back1.jpg 200 54386 logging.py:67
[14:49:50] INFO GET /css/styles.css 200 54386 logging.py:68
[14:49:50] WARNING GET /favicon.ico 404 242 logging.py:69
[14:49:51] DEBUG JSONRPC request logging.py:72
--> {'version': '1.1', 'method': 'confirmFruitPurchase', 'params': [['apple',
'orange', 'mangoes', 'pomelo'], 1.123], 'id': '194521489'}
<-- {'version': '1.1', 'result': True, 'error': None, 'id': '194521489'}
[14:49:51] ERROR Unable to find 'pomelo' in database! logging.py:82
[14:49:51] INFO POST /jsonrpc/ 200 65532 logging.py:83
[14:49:51] INFO POST /admin/ 401 42234 logging.py:84
[14:49:51] WARNING password was rejected for admin site. logging.py:85
[14:49:51] ERROR An error of some kind occurred! logging.py:89
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "/Users/willmcgugan/projects/rich/rich/logging.py", line 87, in
<module>
  1 / 0
ZeroDivisionError: division by zero
[14:49:52] CRITICAL Out of memory! logging.py:91
[14:49:52] INFO Server exited with code=-1 logging.py:92
```



```
>>> my_list = ["foo", "bar"]
>>> from rich import inspect
>>> inspect(my_list, methods=True)
```

Built-

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Downloading

Processing

append

clear

copy

count = def

extend = def

index = def

insert = def

pop = def

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reverse = def

sort = def

>>>

[14:49:49] INFO

INFO

[14:49:50] INFO

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[14:49:51] DEBUG

INFO

INFO

WARNI

ERROR

[14:49:52] CRITI

INFO

-bash

Traceback (most recent call last)

exception.py:21 in divide_all

16

17 def divide_all(divides: List[Tuple[float, float]]) -> None:

18 """Do something impossible every day."""

19 try:

20 for number, divisor in divides:

21 result = divide_by(number, divisor)

22 console.print(f"{number} divided by {divisor} is {result}")

23 except Exception:

24 console.print_exception(extra_lines=5, show_locals=True)

25

26

locals

```
divides = [
    (1000, 200),
    (10000, 500),
    (0, 1000000),
    (3.1427, 2),
    (4294967296, 65536),
    (1, 0)
]
divisor = 0
number = 1
result = 65536 0
```

```
>>> my_list = ["foo", "bar"]
>>> from rich import inspect
>>> inspect(my_list, methods=True)
```

```
-bash
Traceback (most recent call last)
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```
> python simple.py --help
```

```
Usage: simple.py [OPTIONS]
```

```
Simple program that greets NAME for a total of COUNT times.
```

```
Options:
```

```
--count INTEGER  Number of greetings.
--name TEXT       The person to greet. [required]
--help           Show this message and exit.
```

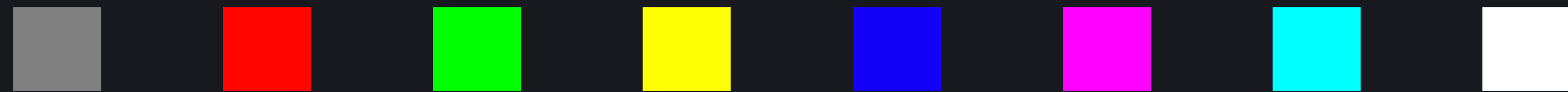




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rich-click



Part 2: Features

Usage

```
import click

@click.command()
@click.option("--count", default=1, help="Number of greetings.")
@click.option("--name", required=True, help="The person to greet.")
def hello(count, name):
    """Simple program that greets NAME for a total of COUNT times."""
    for _ in range(count):
        print(f"Hello, {name}!")

if __name__ == "__main__":
    hello()
```

Usage

```
import rich_click as click

@click.command()
@click.option("--count", default=1, help="Number of greetings.")
@click.option("--name", required=True, help="The person to greet.")
def hello(count, name):
    """Simple program that greets NAME for a total of COUNT times."""
    for _ in range(count):
        print(f"Hello, {name}!")

if __name__ == "__main__":
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Usage

```
import rich_click as click
```



```
> python simple.py --help
```

```
Usage: simple.py [OPTIONS]
```

Simple program that greets NAME for a total of COUNT times.

Options

	--count	INTEGER	Number of greetings.
*	--name	TEXT	The person to greet. [required]
	--help		Show this message and exit.



```
> python simple.py --help
```

```
Usage: simple.py [OPTIONS]
```

Simple program that greets NAME for a total of COUNT times.

Options:

--count	INTEGER	Number of greetings.
--name	TEXT	The person to greet. [required]
--help		Show this message and exit.

Error Messages



```
> python simple.py
```

```
Usage: simple.py [OPTIONS] NAME  
Try 'simple.py --help' for help.
```

```
Error: Missing argument 'NAME'.
```



```
> python simple.py
```

```
Usage: simple.py [OPTIONS] NAME
```

```
Try 'simple.py --help' for help
```

```
Error
```

```
Missing argument 'NAME'.
```


Arguments

```
import rich_click as click

@click.command()
@click.option("--count", default=1, help="Number of greetings.")
@click.argument("name")
def hello(count, name):
    """Simple program that greets NAME for a total of COUNT times."""
    for _ in range(count):
        print(f"Hello, {name}!")

if __name__ == "__main__":
    hello()
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Arguments



```
> python simple.py --help
```

```
Usage: simple.py [OPTIONS] NAME
```

```
Simple program that greets NAME for a total of COUNT times.
```

Options

<code>--count</code>	<code>INTEGER</code>	Number of greetings.
<code>--help</code>		Show this message and exit.

Arguments

```
import rich_click as click

click.rich_click.SHOW_ARGUMENTS = True

@click.command()
@click.option("--count", default=1, help="Number of greetings.")
@click.argument("name")
def hello(count, name):
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    for _ in range(count):
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Arguments



```
> python simple.py --help
```

```
Usage: simple.py [OPTIONS] NAME
```

```
Simple program that greets NAME for a total of COUNT times.
```

Arguments

```
* NAME TEXT [required]
```

Options

```
--count INTEGER Number of greetings.  
--help Show this message and exit.
```

Groups + Sorting

```
> python 03_groups_sorting.py --help
```

```
/// MultiQC v1.26.dev0
```

```
Usage: multiqc [OPTIONS] [ANALYSIS DIRECTORY]
```

MultiQC aggregates results from bioinformatics analyses across many samples into a single report.

It searches a given directory for analysis logs and compiles an HTML report. It's a general use tool, perfect for summarising the output from numerous bioinformatics tools.

To run, supply with one or more directory to scan for analysis results. For example, to run in the current working directory, use 'multiqc .'

Main options

<code>--force</code>	<code>-f</code>	Overwrite any existing reports
<code>--config</code>	<code>-c</code>	Specific config file to load, after those in MultiQC dir / home dir / working dir. (PATH)
<code>--cl-config</code>		Specify MultiQC config YAML on the command line (TEXT)
<code>--filename</code>	<code>-n</code>	Report filename. Use 'stdout' to print to standard out. (TEXT)
<code>--outdir</code>	<code>-o</code>	Create report in the specified output directory. (TEXT)
<code>--ignore</code>	<code>-x</code>	Ignore analysis files (GLOB EXPRESSION)
<code>--ignore-samples</code>		Ignore sample names (GLOB EXPRESSION)
<code>--ignore-symlinks</code>		Ignore symlinked directories and files
<code>--file-list</code>	<code>-l</code>	Supply a file containing a list of file paths to be searched, one per row

Text markup

python rich_markup.py --help

Usage: rich_markup.py [OPTIONS]

My amazing tool does all the things.

This is a *minimal example* based on documentation from the ['click' package](#).
You can try using --help for more info.

Options

--input	PATH	Input files [default: a custom default]
--type	TEXT	Type of file to sync [default: files]
--emojis	🌈🤪✨	Use <u>all</u> the emojis? 🦄🎪⭐🦖👽🍄😘🎉🌟🤪
--debug		Enable 🙌 debug mode 🙌
--help		Show this message and exit.

Configurable



Rich

Usage: app [OPTIONS] COMMAND [ARGS]...

CLI for `app`

This `app` lets you do cool things.

Options

`--env-file` `-e` PATH .env file
`--help` Show this message

Commands

`db` Database commands for app
`deploy` Deploy app
`self` Manage app



Rich

Usage: app [OPTIONS] FOO COMMAND [ARGS]...

Help text for CLI

Second line of help text.

Options

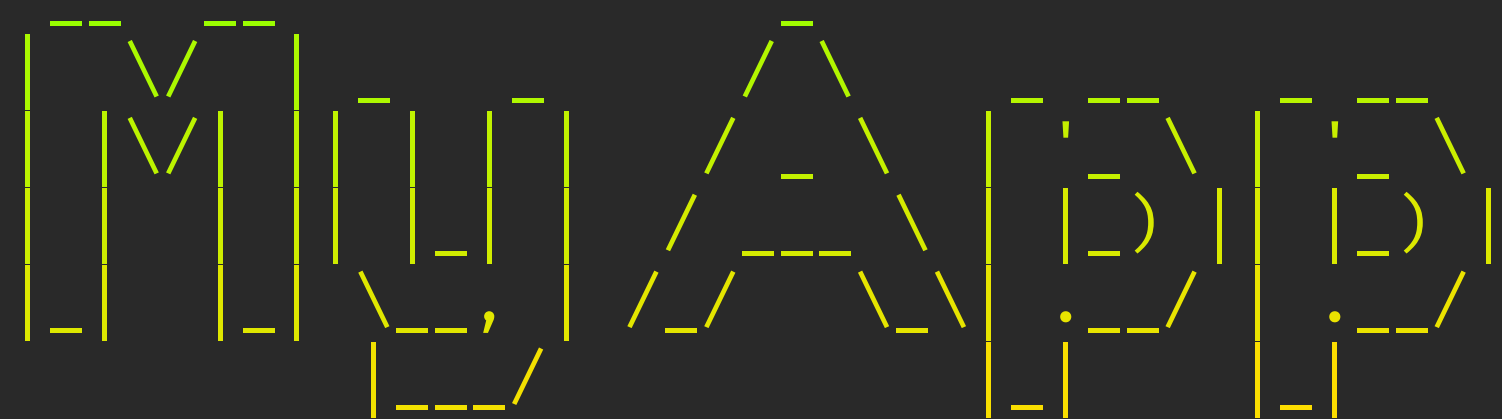
`--bar` `-b` TEXT Lorem ipsum **[default: (someval)]**
***** `--baz` [a|b|c] Choose wisely **[required]**
`--help` Show this message and exit.

Commands

subcommand Help text for subcommand

Configurable

3. Gradient art header



Usage: hello [OPTIONS] COMMAND [ARGS]...

CLI for `app`

This `app` lets you do cool things.

Options

--env-file -e PATH .env file
--help Show this message and exit.

Commands

db Database commands for app
deploy Deploy app
self Manage app

Blog: Three cool pre-made styles for your CLI

<https://ewels.github.io/rich-click/blog/2024/11/13/three-pre-made-styles/>

rich-click CLI



```
> dadjoke --help
```

```
Usage: dadjoke [OPTIONS]
```

```
Options:
```

```
--cowsay      Summon the Cowsay Characters
--icanhazdad  Get jokes from icanhazdadjoke.com
--github      Get jokes from github.com/wesbos/dad-jokes
--reddit      Get DadJokes from Reddit
--help        Show this message and exit.
```

rich-click CLI



```
> rich-click dadjoke --help
```

```
Usage: dadjokes [OPTIONS]
```

Options

<code>--cowsay</code>	Summon the Cowsay Characters
<code>--icanhazdad</code>	Get jokes from icanhazdadjoke.com
<code>--github</code>	Get jokes from github.com/wesbos/dad-jokes
<code>--reddit</code>	Get DadJokes from Reddit
<code>--help</code>	Show this message and exit.

Export SVGs



```
> rich-click --output svg dadjoke --help
```

```
<svg class="rich-terminal" viewBox="0 0 1897 294.0" xmlns="http://www.w3.org/2000/svg">  
  <!-- Generated with Rich https://www.textualize.io -->  
  <style>  
  
    @font-face {  
      font-family: "Fira Code";  
      src: local("FiraCode-Regular"),  
           url("https://cdnjs.cloudflare.com/ajax/libs/firacode/6.2.0/woff2/FiraCode-Regular.woff2")  
      format("woff2"),  
           url("https://cdnjs.cloudflare.com/ajax/libs/firacode/6.2.0/woff/FiraCode-Regular.woff")  
      format("woff");  
      font-style: normal;  
      font-weight: 400;  
    }  
  
    @font-face {
```

Export SVGs



```
> rich-click --output svg dadjoke --help
```



Rich

Usage: **dadjokes** [**OPTIONS**]

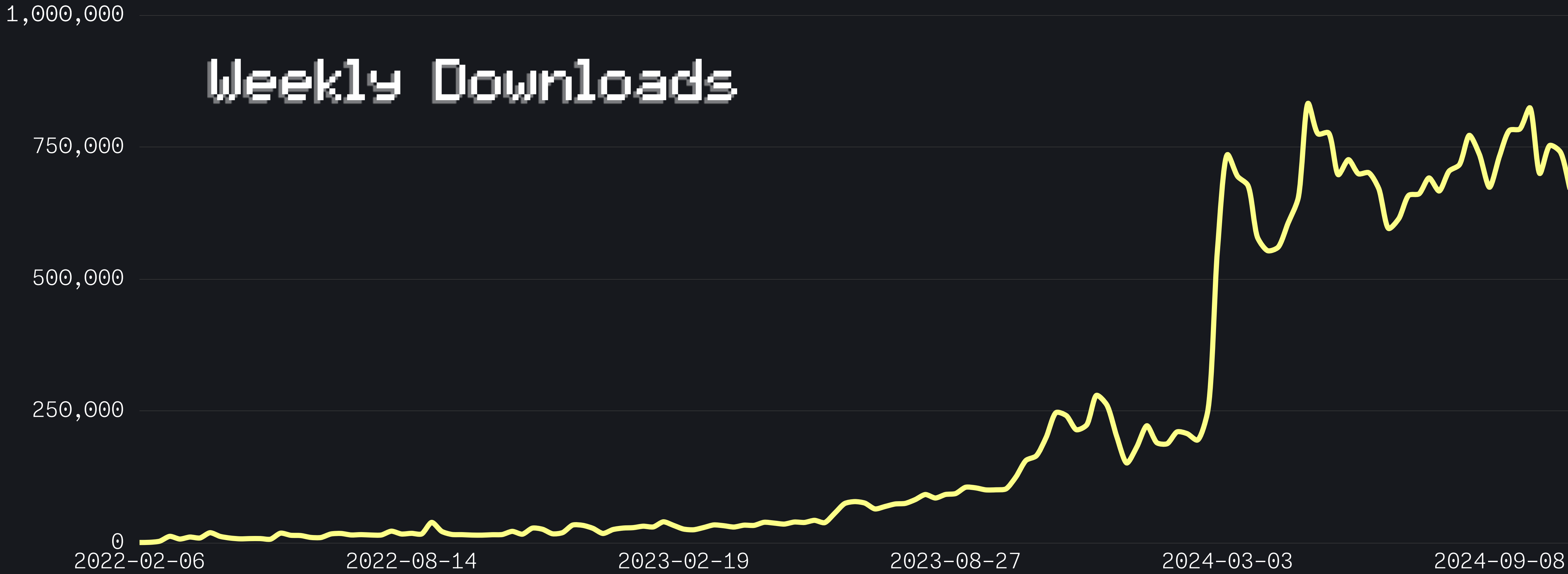
Options

- cowsay** Summon the Cowsay Characters
- icanhazdad** Get jokes from icanhazdadjoke.com
- github** Get jokes from github.com/wesbos/dad-jokes
- reddit** Get DadJokes from Reddit
- help** Show this message and exit.

```
}  
@font-face {
```

Part 3: Maintenance

Weekly Downloads



Downloads

by period

181K

last day

827K

last week

3.3M

last month

33M

total



<https://typer.tiangolo.com/>

Sebastián Ramírez



Hey Phil! I hope all is good. I'm Sebastián, the author of Typer, based on Click. 😊

I want to find a way to have your work with rich-click directly in Typer, without having to import a different Typer class from rich-click. 🚀



I think it would make most sense to keep things separate from rich-click.

I can then redirect people your way instead, and it makes life easier for me for maintenance as well.

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Wow, you were fast! Ok I'm doubly glad I said you should go ahead without waiting for me now 😄



ewels commented on Jul 16, 2023

Owner



Apologies all, I'm struggling to find time to dedicate to the maintenance of this project - it's become a lot more popular than I anticipated and passed the "*does what I need it to do*" threshold a long time ago.

I'd be very happy to expand the team of maintainers (add collaborators to the repo who can review + merge) if anyone is interested, or any other solutions.









Anyway, I'll merge the testing PR now [@dwreeves](#) (thanks for this work!).
But please note that the merges are getting more and more blind on my part..

Daniel Reeves



Daniel Reeves



-  Add tests!
-  Add type hinting
-  Performance improvements
-  New docs website and blog
-  New package logo
-  Internal refactoring
-  Easier configuration
-  Live style editor



Live style editor

Option	Color	Other styles
STYLE_OPTION		<code>bold dim italic</code>
STYLE_ARGUMENT		<code>bold dim italic</code>
STYLE_COMMAND		<code>bold dim italic</code>
STYLE_SWITCH		<code>bold dim italic</code>
STYLE_METAVAR		<code>bold dim italic</code>
STYLE_METAVAR_SEPARATOR		<code>bold dim italic</code>
STYLE_USAGE		<code>bold dim italic</code>
STYLE_USAGE_COMMAND		<code>bold dim italic</code>



Usage: docs [OPTIONS] FOO COMMAND [ARGS] ...

Help text for CLI
Second line of help text.

```
Options
  --bar -b TEXT Lorem ipsum [default: (someval)]
  * --baz [a|b|c] Choose wisely [required]
  --help Show this message and exit.
```

```
Commands
  subcommand Help text for subcommand
```



Side note:

`rich-codex`

My markdown docs

Here's an example CLI output:

```
$ cat docs/cat.txt | lolcat -S 1
```

```
WNNNWW                    WNNXXXNW
NK0000KXW                 WNK000000N
WK00000000XNW            WXK00000000KW
N000KXXK0000XNW         WX0000KKXXK00KN
WX000XXXXXK0000XW      WWWWWWWWWWWW WNNK000KXXXXXXK00N
WX000XXXXXXK0000KXK0000000000000000K0000KXXXXXXK00N
WX00KXXXXXXK000000k0000k0000k0000000KXXXXXXK00N
X000XXXXXK000000000k0000k0000000000KXXXXX00KN
N000KXKK00000000000k000000k0000000000KKXK00XW
WK0000000000000000000000000000000000000000000X
N0000000000000000000000000000000000000000000KN
WK0000000000000000000000000000000000000000000KW
N00000000kdodk000000000000000000000koc:cd00000000XW
WK0000000o. .l00000000000000000k; .c0000000KN
X000000k, .x00000000000000000o. ,k0000000KXKKN
NKKK00000000c 'x0000000000000000x, .l000000kk00KXW
WNXK0kkk00000l, ' :x000xc, .... ' ;d000kl: ;cd00000kkOKWWW
WNNXK0ok0000000000000000o. :000000000000000k0kkOKKKXW
NKKKKk0kkk0000000000k0000d; . 'ok000xx0000000000k00XWW
WNNK00000000000k; .xkxc. :x00x:.,x000000000kk00KXW
... ':,.....,o0000000000000XNNXXW
lod0000xolllox0000000000000KNW
00000000000000000000000000000XW
0000000000000000000000000000XNW
000000000000000000000000KXNW
000000000000000000KKKXNNW
NNNNNNNNNNNNWWW
```



ewe1s/rich-codex

Advice

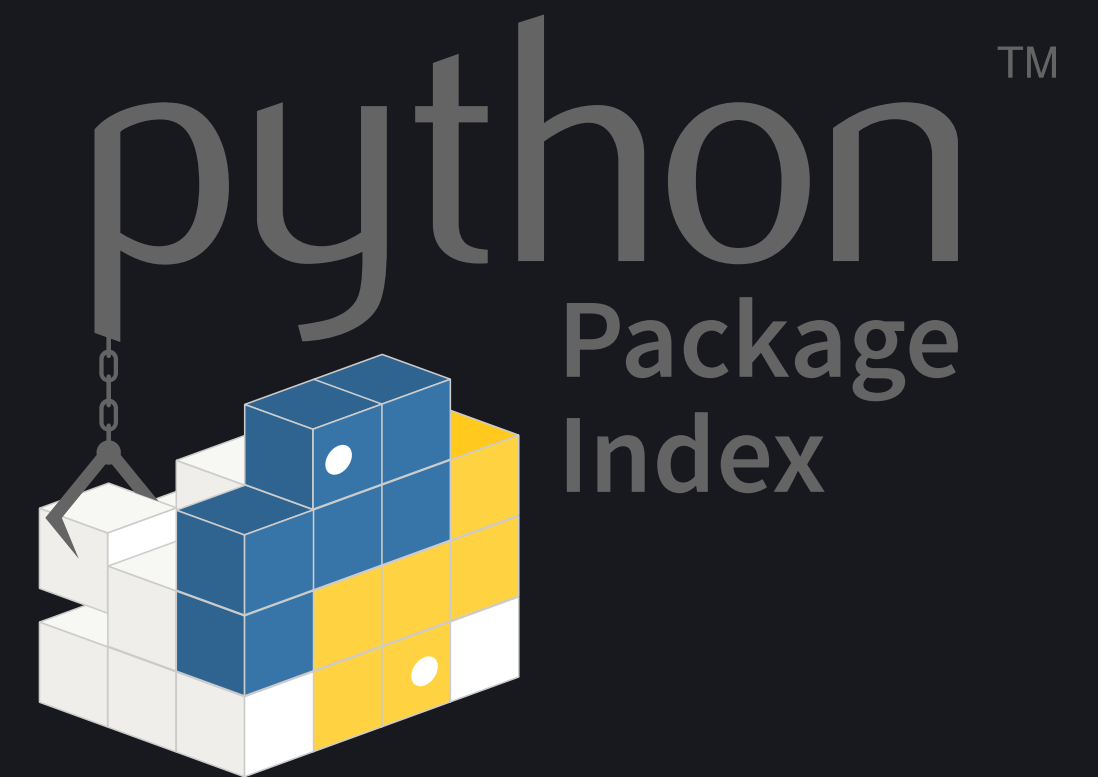
Generalise your solutions


Publish your tools

Ask for help if you need it

rich-click

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> pip install rich-click
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 [ewels/rich-click](https://github.com/ewels/rich-click)

 ewels.github.io/rich-click

Thank you!

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