

Perl Programming

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1. What is it about Perl?

Funny that most uni courses never teach Perl! Not surprising really. It does not prove any point i.e. it is not Object Orientated, nor is it strange like Prolog or Haskell, and it can be used in a very hacky manner. In a real world though it shines - powerful scripting language, which is cross-platform and very easy to use. It uses just a few data structures, you can hack a bit of code to do some very powerful stuff in five minutes and you can make it OO for larger apps. Plug it into CGI and you have a web based app. It really is a wonderful tool where much if not all is possible.