The CPAN Toolchain

137 859 Perl modules, 30 268 distributions, 11 695 authors, 255 mirrors

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What is CPAN?

A public repository of practically all open source Perl code.

Very, very few open source Perl modules are not on CPAN.

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Install a Weborama module:

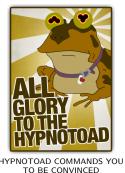
cpanm -v Weborama::Database

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- not so useful if you're not interested in e.g. all the joke Acme:: modules

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- Weborama uses six Pinto instances: one each for the integration, pre-production and production environments, for two different software stacks

Questions?

Thanks for listening.