

Quick Start to UNIX Computing in the Mathematical Sciences

Login

To login to a workstation, first make sure that the monitor is displaying a login screen. (If the screen is blank, move the mouse.) Click on the **Username:** field and type in your login name. Press the *Enter* key. Then, type your password in the **Password:** field and press *Enter* again.

If your login fails, make sure that the *Caps Lock* key is not on, then try again. If repeated attempts to login fail, then go to the Computer Support Group in room 303A MLH and ask a system administrator to help you.

Start the Firefox Web Browser

Much of the information for new users is available through Firefox. To start Firefox, click the icon at the top left of your screen of a globe with a mouse wrapped around it.

Read the *Getting Started* Document

Move the mouse cursor to the Firefox window and click the left mouse button. Hold down the *Ctrl* key and press the *L* key. Type the following address, exactly as shown:

<http://www.divms.uiowa.edu/help/msstart/>

This will bring up the document *Getting Started in the Division of Mathematical Sciences*. Read this document, especially the first two sections labeled *Quick Start* and *How to Get Help*. (You can follow any link that is highlighted by clicking once with your left mouse button on the highlighted text.)