



Introduction to Researching | TryHackCIT 2020

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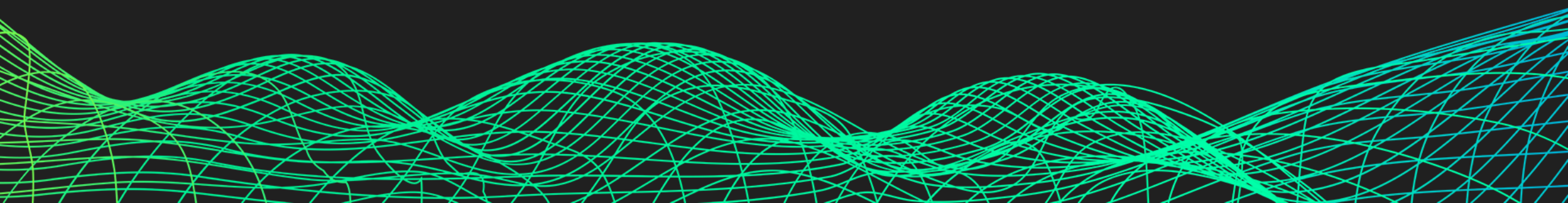


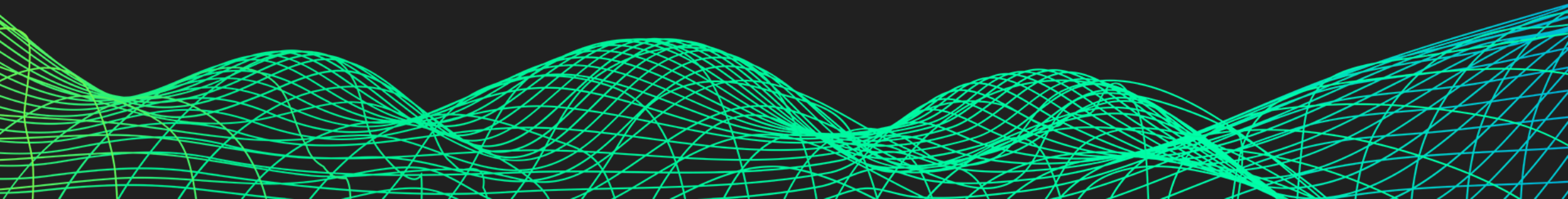
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What constitutes a good technical question?

Searching for the answer you want, not the question you need.



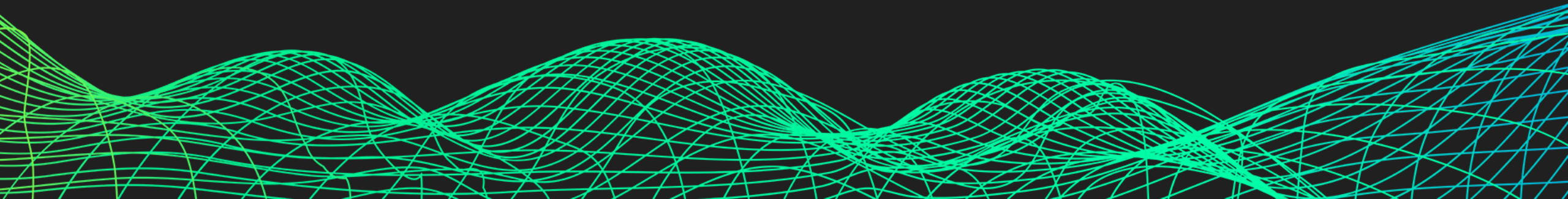
The Recipe:

- Consolidate your thoughts
 - Incoherent questions lead to incoherent answers
- Be direct
 - What do you need to find out?
- Specifics
 - Can you narrow your question to specific contexts? I.e. Linux or Windows?
- Show willingness
 - People will help you if you're willing to help yourself first.



Asking for help (the right way)

Helping others to help you.



Don't ask to ask, just ask!

- A mantra TryHackMe has adopted.
 - Instead of asking for help, state your issue.
- Help others to help you. Helpful questions get helpful answers.
- What have you tried? What are you expecting to happen?
- Show us! Screenshots speak a thousand words.



An unhelpful question



CMNatic Today at 19:51

Can someone help me with my code please?

- What programming language are they using? There's tonnes!
- What's the project? Programming involves many topics such as networking
- What's not working?
- What's the actual code?



An helpful question



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I'm trying to make a calculator in python however the program divides an input where it should multiply it instead. Here's a text file of my code:

- We know the programming language
- They're trying to make a calculator
- The calculator does the wrong math operation
- We have a copy of the code to debug!



Reflect



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