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How to: Stop X.Org Server

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Q. How do I start or stop X.Org from a command prompt?

A. X.org is open-source implementation of the X11 system. It is an open source X11-based desktop infrastructure. Xorg provides an interface between your hardware and the graphical software you want to run. Besides that, Xorg is also fully network-aware, meaning you are able to run an application on one system while viewing it on a different one.

Start X.Org Server

There are two ways, just type startx:

```
$ startx
```

Alternatively, run init script such as /etc/init.d/gdm

```
# /etc/init.d/gdm start
```

OR

```
$ sudo /etc/init.d/gdm start
```

Ctrl+Alt+Backspace - to stop server

Press Ctrl+Alt+Backspace to immediately kill the server - no questions asked.

Again, you can use init script to stop session:

```
# /etc/init.d/gdm stop
```

OR

```
$ sudo /etc/init.d/gdm stop
```

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