HOURIN's KEQWM MANUAL

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0.1 Introduction

My online alias is Hourin, Satori Hourin. I love dwm for its simplicity and its unique way to configure and modify things (editing the source code then recompile). It enables a lot more control and freedom for the user, expanding beyond the cringe config menus/files that most Desktop Environments/Window Managers had.

The reason for this is because dwm is supposed to be "suckless". It doesn't need a bloated graphical GUI for customizing that can mimic a fraction of the real man's way to configure stuff, neither does it need a new or to use troublesome syntaxes for a config file. No. All it takes to configure dwm is knowledge of the C programming language, which, let's be honest, virtually all Linux users know.

So anyway, dwm is a dynamic window manager for Xorg. Dynamic, because it's both a tiling window manager and a floating/stacking window manager. dwm's customizability is undeniable. Customizing it by editing and compiling the source code gives you 100% control over everything. You can change any colors, any text strings, any functions, adding new layouts, everything. Also, by using dwm, you would earn the status of a more invested Linux user, giving you more privilages in r/unixporn or Linux-related places.

keqwm is my very own customized dwm. It has few more key shortcuts, some changes to the color, how the bar is drawn (without using a bloated bar patch). I also added a few important patches to it, for example, fibonacci and centeredmaster (though I'm planning on adding swallow, tatami, and alpha patch soon). This manual guides you how to use it.

0.2 Key bindings

Note: in this section, I use the Emacs-like key notation: C-key: pressing key while holding Ctrl. M-key: pressing key while holding Meta/Alt. S-key: pressing key while holding Super/Window. If key is capitalized then you know you have to press Shift.

0.2.1 Programs

M-RETURN: terminal (Alacritty by default)
S-b: browser (Firefox by default)
S-s: terminal with htop (alacritty -e htop)
S-v: terminal with alsamixer
S-return: dmenu
S-e: terminal with Vim
S-E: terminal with Emacs
S-d: terminal with vifm
S-D: file manager (thunar)

0.2.2 Layouts

//FIXME: pdflatex has behavious i didn't know existed M-t: tile (default)
[]=
M-f: float (default)
M-m: monocle (default) [M]
M-u: centered master —M—
M-U: centered floating master M
S-f: fibonnaci - dwindle [/
S-F: fibonnaci - spiral (@)

0.2.3 Controls

S-RETURN: float/unfloat a window
S-x: kill selected window
M-Q: kill keqwm
S-[arrow keys]: move selected window if floating
S-[ARROW KEYS]: resize selected window if floating
M-j: switch window
M-k: switch window
M-h: decrease master stack size
M-l: increase master stack size
M-i: increase number of masters
M-d: decrease number of masters

M-[number]: go to tag number
M-[NUMBER]: move window to tag number
S-1: mute volume
S-2: volume down
S-3: volume up
M-b: toggle bar