25.13 Keyboard Shortcuts for Snippet Editing

In addition to the commands in Fig. 25.6, JShell supports many keyboard shortcuts for editing code, such as quickly jumping to the beginning or end of a line, or jumping between words in a line. JShell's command-line features are implemented by a library named JLine 2, which provides command-line editing and history capabilites. Figure 25.7 shows a sample of the shortcuts available.

Fig. 25.7

Some keyboard shortcuts for editing the current snippet at the `jshell>` prompt.

Shortcut	Description
$Ctrl + a$	Move cursor to beginning of line.
$Ctrl + a$	Move cursor to end of line.
$Alt + a$	Move the cursor backwards by one word.
$Alt + a$	Move the cursor forwards by one word.
$Ctrl + a$	Perform a search for the last command or snippet containing the characters you type after typing $Ctrl + a$.
$Ctrl + a$	Reverse the two characters to the left of the cursor.

$Ctrl + a$	Cut everything from the cursor to the end of the line.
$Ctrl + a$	Cut everything from the beginning of the line up to, but not including the character at the cursor position.
$Ctrl + a$	Cut the word before the cursor.
$Alt + a$	Cut the word after the cursor.