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Change your habits, boost your productivity

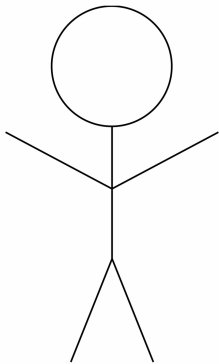
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Goal : Complete everyday tasks only using keyboard

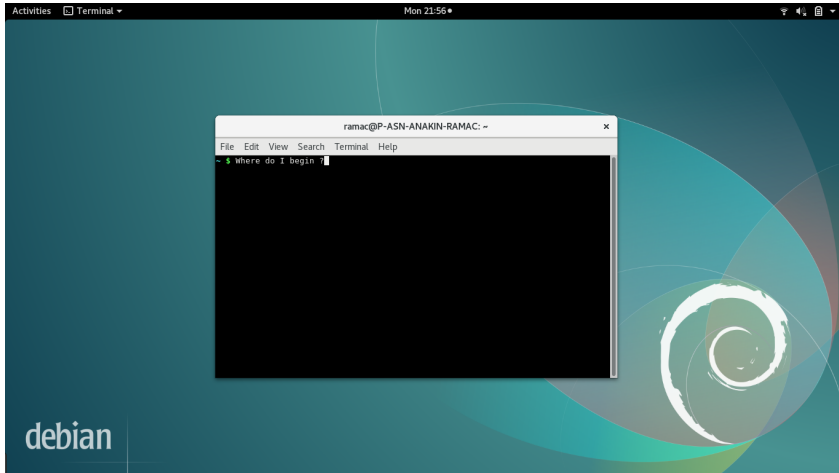
- Open and close apps quickly
- Switch between windows easily
- Share resources between windows
- Navigate the web

PART 1 : Adapt your environment

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Starting point



Shortcuts management

- Default shortcuts
- xbindkeys : `/.xbindkeysrc`
- sxhkd : `/.sxhkdrc`

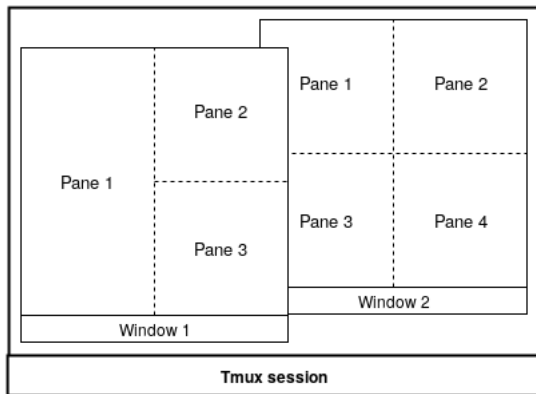
```
1  # terminal emulator
2  super + Return
3      urxvt
4  # focus the node for the given path jump
5  super + \{p,b,comma,period\}
6      bspc node -f \@\\{parent,brother,first,second\\}
7
```

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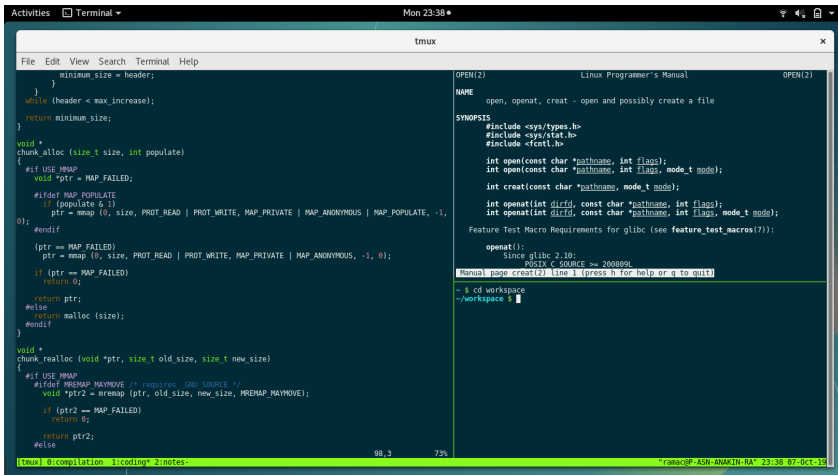
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Definition

A terminal multiplexer allows multiple sessions and applications to be displayed and managed on a single screen.



Architecture



The screenshot shows a tmux terminal window with a menu bar (File, Edit, View, Search, Terminal, Help) and a title bar (tmux). The terminal is split into two panes. The left pane contains C code for memory management functions. The right pane displays the man page for the `open(2)` system call.

```
minimum_size = header;
}
while (header < max_increase);
return minimum_size;
}

void *
chunk_alloc (size_t size, int populate)
{
    #if USE_MMAP
        void *ptr = MAP_FAILED;

        #ifdef MAP_POPULATE
            if (populate & 1)
                ptr = mmap (0, size, PROT_READ | PROT_WRITE, MAP_PRIVATE | MAP_ANONYMOUS | MAP_POPULATE, -1, 0);
        #endif

        (ptr == MAP_FAILED)
            ptr = mmap (0, size, PROT_READ | PROT_WRITE, MAP_PRIVATE | MAP_ANONYMOUS, -1, 0);

        if (ptr == MAP_FAILED)
            return 0;

        return ptr;
    #else
        return malloc (size);
    #endif
}

void *
chunk_realloc (void *ptr, size_t old_size, size_t new_size)
{
    #if USE_MMAP
        #ifdef MREMAP_MAYMOVE /* requires GNU_SOURCE */
            void *ptr2 = mremap (ptr, old_size, new_size, MREMAP_MAYMOVE);

            if (ptr2 == MAP_FAILED)
                return 0;

            return ptr2;
        #else
            return 0;
        #endif
    #endif
}
```

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Linux Programmer's Manual OPEN(2)

NAME
open, openat, creat - open and possibly create a file

SYNOPSIS
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <sys/stat.h>
#include <fcntl.h>

int open(const char *pathname, int flags);
int open(const char *pathname, int flags, mode_t mode);
int creat(const char *pathname, mode_t mode);
int openat(int dirfd, const char *pathname, int flags);
int openat(int dirfd, const char *pathname, int flags, mode_t mode);

Feature Test Macro Requirements for glibc (see `feature_test_macros(7)`):

openat():
Since glibc 2.10:
POSIX C SOURCE >= 200809L

Manual page creat(2) line 1 (press h for help or q to quit)

~ # cd workspace
~/workspace \$

[tmux] 0:compilation 1:coding* 2:notes- "ranac@PS-ANAKIN-RA" 23:38 07-Oct-19

Popular Terminal multiplexers

Historically, GNU Screen 1987

Nowadays:

- Terminator
- Screen
- Tmux
- Byobu

Practical use

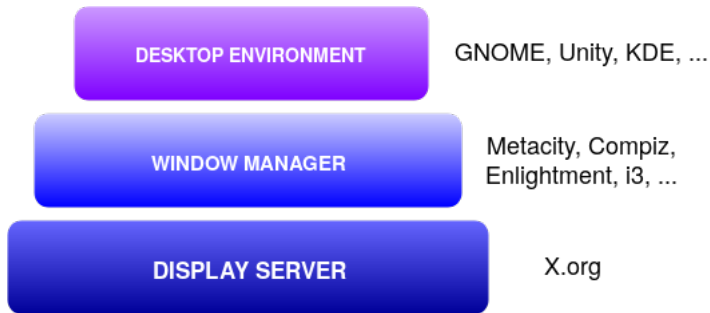
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About windows manager

Window manager: A system software controlling the placement and appearance of windows inside a graphical user interface.



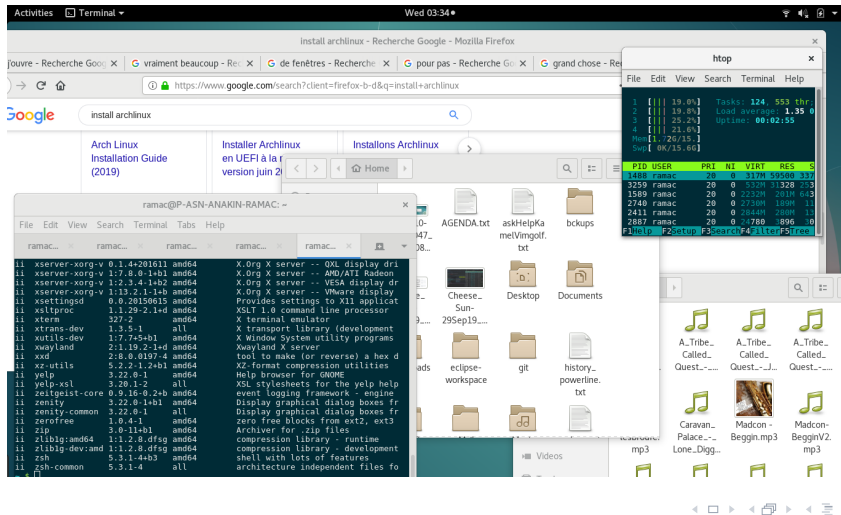
Tiling window managers

Organize windows automatically so that they don't overlap, while maximizing the space use.

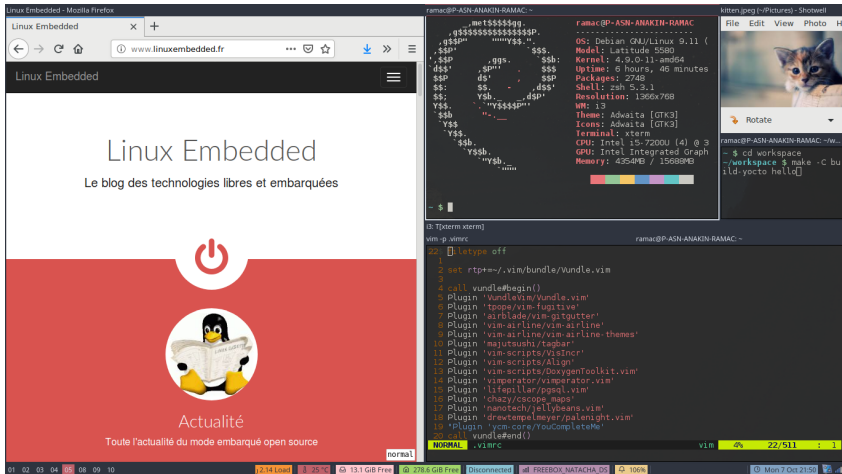
Benefits:

- Keep at sight the whole working environment
- Lighter and faster than usual WMs
- Built-in shortcuts optimized for keyboards

Struggling with windows arrangement: DAY 1



Struggling with windows arrangement: DAY 2



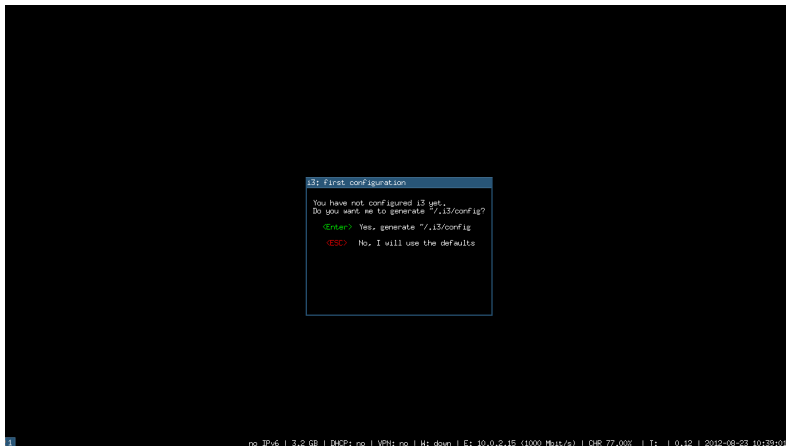
Popular TWMs

- i3 / sway : user friendly, huge community and great documentation
- Awesome (lua) : great mouse integration, highly configurable
- dwm (C), xmonad (haskell) : small, fast, simple
- bspwm : very light, high degree of customisation

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Installation

Usually available in official repositories



```
i3: first configuration

You have not configured i3 yet.
Do you want me to generate ~/.i3/config?

<Enter> Yes, generate ~/.i3/config
<ESC> No, I will use the defaults

1 no IPv6 | 3,2 GB | DHCP: no | VPN: no | H: down | E: 10.0.2.15 (1000 Mbit/s) | QR 77,00% | T: | 0,12 | 2012-08-23 10:39:01
```

Configuration (i3 example)

A single configuration file : `/.config/i3/config`

```
1  # enter fullscreen mode for the focused container
2  bindsym $mod+f fullscreen toggle
3
4  # colour of border, background, text, indicator, and child_border
5  client.focused          #bf616a #2f343f #d8dee8 #bf616a #d8dee8
6
7  # add network-manager status bar shortcut
8  exec --no-startup-id nm-applet
9
```

Make it look eye-candy : i3-starterpack

git clone <https://github.com/ramacassis/confighamac.git>

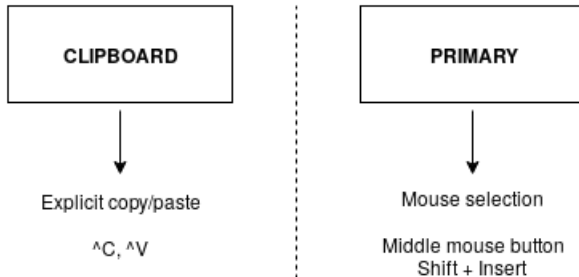
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Linux clipboard



- Access clipboard in command line: `xclip`
- Other clipboard manager: `clipit`, `copyq`, [...]

PART 2: Expand to other apps !

Web navigation

General idea: use (vim) shortcuts as an interface to browser

Historically:

- Vimperator
- Pentadactyl

Nowadays:

- Tridactyl
- Vim-vixen
- cVim

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All tools put together

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Conclusion

- Open and close apps quickly: shortcuts, TWM
- Switch between windows easily: terminal multiplexers, TWM
- Share resources between windows: clipboard, command history
- Navigate the web : browser plugins, CLI apps

What's next ?

Going further...

- Web: elinks, lynx
- Mail: mutt, neomutt, alpine
- Calendar: calcurse, remind
- Music: mpsyt, cmus

https://wiki.archlinux.org/index.php/list_of_applications

https://doc.ubuntu-fr.org/liste_des_applications_console

Find the compromise that suits your needs !

Thanks for your attention
Let's share !