

Working Efficiently - Shortcuts

- key1+key2** – press and hold key1, **and** press key2
key1-key2 – press and release key1, **then** press key2

Command Editing Shortcuts

- Ctrl+a** – go to the start of the command line
Ctrl+e – go to the end of the command line
Ctrl+k – delete from cursor to the end of the command line
Ctrl+u – delete from cursor to the start of the command line
Ctrl+w – delete from cursor to start of word
Ctrl+y – paste word or text that recently was cut
Ctrl+xx – move between start of command line and current position
Ctrl+f – move forward one character
Ctrl+b – move backward one character
Ctrl+d – delete character under the cursor
Ctrl+h – delete character before the cursor
Ctrl+t – swap character beneath cursor with one before
Alt+b/Esc-b – move backward one word
Alt+f/Esc-f – move forward one word
Alt+d/Esc-d – delete to end of word starting at cursor
Alt+c/Esc-c – capitalise to end of word starting at cursor
Alt+u/Esc-u – make uppercase from cursor to end of word
Alt+l/Esc-l – make lowercase from cursor to end of word
Alt+t/Esc-t – swap current word with previous

Command Control Shortcuts

- Ctrl+s/Ctrl+q** – scroll lock / unlock output to screen
Ctrl+l – clear the screen
Ctrl+c – terminate the command
Ctrl+z – suspend/stop the command

History Shortcuts

- !!** – run last command
!j – run the most recent command that starts with 'j'
!-3 – rerun 3rd-last command
!j:p – print out the command that !j would run (works with all ! history)
!?guru – run the most recent command which contains the string 'guru'
!\$ – the last word of the previous command (same as **Alt+.**)
!* – the previous command minus the last word
Ctrl+r – search the history backwards
Ctrl+g – escape from history searching mode
Ctrl+p/↑ – previous command in history
Ctrl+n/↓ – next command in history
Alt+./Esc-. – use the last word of the previous command
^foo^bar – rerun previous command, replacing first occurrence of 'foo' with 'bar'