cmus Console music player

CONCEPTS

cmus is modal like vi: keys act on the current view, and : opens a command line for everything else.

Library views 1 / 2
↓ y / e
Playlist / Queue views 3 / 4
↓ Enter / c
Playback status line

The queue plays first, ignores shuffle and is emptied as it plays; the library or playlist continues afterwards.

VIEWS

1 Library, tree (artist / album)

2 Library, sorted track list

3 Playlist

4 Play queue

5 File browser

6 Filters list

7 Key bindings and settings

Tab
Move between tree columns

Backspace
Go up a directory (browser)

PLAYBACK

Enter Play selected track

c Pause / unpause

x Play from start

v Stop

z / b Previous / next track

Z / B Previous / next album

Left / Right
Seek 5 s back / forward

h / l Seek 5 s back / forward

, / . Seek 1 min back / forward

= / - Volume up / down 10%

PLAYBACK (cont.)

[/] Volume down / up 1%

PLAY MODES

s Toggle shuffle

r Toggle repeat

C Toggle continue

f Toggle follow

m
Cycle aaa mode (all / artist / album)

M Play from library / playlist

LIBRARY AND QUEUE

a Add to library

e Queue track

E Queue track at the front

y Add to playlist

D / Delete Remove from list

p / P
Move item after / before the cursor

Space
Expand artist (tree) / toggle mark

NAVIGATION

j / k Down / up

g / G Top / bottom

^F / ^B Page down / up

SEARCH AND FILTERS

/ Search forward

? Search backward

n / N Next / previous match

L Live filter the current view

F Apply a filter expression

:filter *<expr>*
Filter the library

SEARCH AND FILTERS (cont.)

:fset *<name>=<expr>*
Save a named filter

COMMANDS

:add *<path>*
Add file, directory or URL

:save [file]
Save playlist or library

:set *<opt>=<val>*
Change a setting

:seek *<pos>*
Jump in the track

:vol *<pct>*
Set volume

:clear
Clear the current view

:q
Quit

CMUS-REMOTE

cmus-remote -p
Start playback

cmus-remote -u
Toggle pause

cmus-remote -n / -r
Next / previous track

cmus-remote -Q
Print player status

cmus-remote -q *<file>*
Add file to the queue

cmus-remote -C *<cmd>*
Send any command-mode command

RECIPES

First run

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cmus
# in cmus:
:add ~/Music
# press 2 for the track list,
Enter plays
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Control from a keybinding or script

```
# play / pause, next, status
cmus-remote -u
cmus-remote -n
cmus-remote -Q
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