WeeChat Terminal IRC client

START HERE

`/server add <name> <host>`
Define a server

Alt + *<number>*
Jump to buffer

`/connect <name>`
Connect to it

Alt + a
Next buffer with activity

`/join #<channel>`
Join a channel

PgUp / PgDn
Scroll chat

Alt + Left / Alt + Right
Previous / next buffer

`/quit`
Leave WeeChat

Window a split of the screen
Buffer server, channel or query
Bars buflist, nicklist, title, status, input

CONCEPTS

Alt+j Alt+f: press Alt+j, release, then Alt+f. If Alt does nothing, try Esc then the key.

Every server, channel and query is a numbered buffer.

Text goes to the current buffer; /<name> runs a command.

Options apply at once and are saved on quit or /save.

Run WeeChat inside tmux or screen to keep it connected after you log out.

CONNECT

`/server add <name> <host>`
Define a server
Port 6697 with TLS is the default.

`/connect <name>`
Connect to a server

`/set irc.server.<name>.autoconnect on`
Connect at startup

`/set irc.server.<name>.autojoin "#a,#b"`
Channels to join on connect

`/autojoin add`
Add current channel to autojoin

`/set irc.server.<name>.nicks "<nick1>,<nick2>"`
Nicknames to use

`/secure set <name> <password>`
Store a password encrypted
Use it as "${sec.data.<name>}" in options.

`/set irc.server.<name>.sasl_username "<user>"`
SASL login name

`/set irc.server.<name>.sasl_password "${sec.data.<name>}"`
SASL password from secure data

`/disconnect <name>`
Disconnect from a server

`/reconnect <name>`
Reconnect to a server

CHANNELS & CHAT

`/join #<channel>`
Join a channel

`/join -server <name> #<channel>`
Join on a given server

`/part [<message>]`
Leave current channel

`/query <nick> [<text>]`
Open a private chat

`/msg <nick> <text>`
Send a private message

`/nick <newnick>`
Change your nickname

`/away <text>`
Set away message

`/whois <nick>`
Show info about a user

`/list`
Open channel list buffer

`/ignore add <nick>`
Hide messages from a nick

`/notify add <nick>`
Watch when a nick is online

`/quit`
Exit WeeChat

`/buffer close`
Close current buffer

BUFFERS

Alt + Left / Alt + Up / Ctrl + p / F5
Previous buffer

Alt + Right / Alt + Down / Ctrl + n / F6
Next buffer

Alt + 1-9 Go to buffer 1-9

Alt + 0 Go to buffer 10

Alt + j › 15
Go to buffer by number

Alt + a
Next buffer with activity

Alt + / Last displayed buffer

Alt + n / Alt + p
Next / previous highlight

Alt + h › Alt + c Clear hotlist

SCROLLING & SEARCH

PgUp / PgDn Scroll one page

SCROLLING & SEARCH (cont.)

Alt + PgUp / Alt + PgDn
Scroll a few lines

Alt + Home / Alt + End
Scroll to top / bottom

Alt + u First unread line

Ctrl + s Search buffer lines

Ctrl + r Search input history

Alt + l Toggle bare display
Easier for copying long URLs.

INPUT LINE

Tab
Complete command or nick

Up / Down
Previous / next command

Ctrl + a / Home Start of line

Ctrl + e / End End of line

Ctrl + Left / Alt + b
Previous word

Ctrl + Right / Alt + f
Next word

Ctrl + k Delete to end of line

Ctrl + u Delete to start of line

Ctrl + w
Delete previous word

Alt + k Show a key's code
Press it, then the key; use the name in / key bind.

WINDOWS & BARS

`/window splith`
Split horizontally

`/window splitv`
Split vertically

`/window merge`
Merge windows

F7 / F8
Previous / next window

Alt + z
Zoom window (again to restore)

Ctrl + l Redraw screen

Alt + Shift + N Toggle nicklist

Alt + Shift + B Toggle buflist

`/layout store`
Save buffer and window layout

CONFIG & FILTERS

`/fset`
Browse and edit options

`/set <option> <value>`
Change an option

`/set *<text>*`
Search options by name

`/help <command or option>`
Show built-in help

`/save`
Write config to disk

`/reload`
Reload config files

`/upgrade`
Restart in place, keep connections

`/filter add <name> <buffers> <tags> <regex>`
Hide matching lines

Alt + = Toggle all filters

`/key bind <key> <command>`
Bind a key

Alt + m
Toggle mouse support

`/set weechat.look.highlight "<words>"`
Extra highlight words

RECIPES

First connection with SASL

```
/server add libera
irc.libera.chat
/set
irc.server.libera.sasl_username
"alice"
/secure passphrase <your
passphrase>
/secure set libera <password>
/set
irc.server.libera.sasl_password
"${sec.data.libera}"
/set
irc.server.libera.autoconnect on
/connect libera
```

Autojoin channels

```
/join #weechat
/autojoin add
# or set the list directly
/set irc.server.libera.autojoin
"#weechat,#python"
```

Hide joins, parts and quits

```
/filter add joinquit *
irc_join,irc_part,irc_quit *
# Alt+= toggles all filters to
see them again
```

Persistent session

```
tmux new -s irc weechat
# detach with prefix d, later:
tmux a -t irc
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