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

CHANNELS & CHAT (cont.)

/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 + **j** › **Alt** + **s**
Server 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

Alt + **Shift** + **U**
Mark all buffers as read

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

Ctrl + **y** Paste deleted text

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

WINDOWS & BARS (cont.)

/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

/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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