

IRC

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<i>ACTION</i>	<i>NAME</i>	<i>DATE</i>	<i>SIGNATURE</i>
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Chapter 1

IRC

1.1 IRC II-Command-Help V1.2, done in 1992 by Thomas Witt ('Bach')

IRC II - Help.guide Main-Menu

Commands:

!	#	ADMIN	ASSIGN	AWAY	BASICS
BYE	CD	CHANNEL	CLEAR	COMMANDS	COMMENT
CONNECT	DATE	DESCRIBE	DIE	DMSG	DQUERY
ECHO	ENCRYPT	ETIQUETTE	EXEC	EXIT	FLUSH
HELP	HISTORY	IF	IGNORE	INFO	INVITE
JOIN	KICK	KILL	LASTLOG	LEAVE	LINKS
LIST	LUSERS	MAIL	ME	MODE	MOTD
MSG	NAMES	NEWS	NEWUSER	NICK	NOTICE
NOTIFY	OPER	PART	QUERY	QUIT	QUOTE
REDIRECT	REHASH	RESTART	RULES	SAVE	SAY
SEND	SERVER	SIGNOFF	SLEEP	SQUIT	STATS
SUMMON	TIME	TOPIC	TRACE	TYPE	USERS
VERSION	WAIT	WALL	WALLOPS	WHILE	WHO
WHOIS	WHOWAS	WINDOW	XECHO		

Command-Groups:

ALIAS	BIND	CTCP	DCC	IRC II	LOAD
NOTE	ON	SET			

1.2 Help for IRC II - Help :)

Welcome to the IRC II - Help.guide Version 1.2

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1.3 Recall previous commands

Usage: ![history number|history match]

The ! command is used to recall previous commands in your command history for re-execution. The ! command is unique in that when it is used, it leaves the matching history entry in the input line for re-editting. You can specify a history entry either by its number in the history list, or by a match with a given wildcard expression. For example:

```
#!/10
```

will put entry 10 in the history list into the input line.

The following:

```
#!/MSG
```

will search the history list for a line beginning with /MSG and put it in the input line (an * is implied at the end of /MSG). When using ! command with a wildcard expression, subsequent uses of the ! command continue their search in the history list from where they left off. This is reset to the end of the list when a command is executed that adds an entry to the history list. Also, if a wildcard expression is used once, subsequent uses of ! with no expression will use the previous wild card expression. For example, the following:

```
#!/MSG
```

```
#!/
```

The first call returns the first match of /MSG in the history list, and the second returns the next match, and so on. This is useful in the following key binding:

```
/BIND ^R PARSE_COMMAND /!$"Search: "
```

With this, you can hit ^R and you will be prompted for a search string in the history list. If you want to then repeat the search you simply have to hit ^R and hit return, since it will use the previous search by default.

Lastly, ! may be used in command aliases as well. When it is embedded in an alias it simply executes the matching history entry without first putting it in the input line for re-editting.

See Also:

HISTORY

1.4 Comment-Sign for Scripts

Usage in scripts and aliases.
It's identical to COMMENT and does nothing.

1.5 Shows a server-administrator

Usage: ADMIN [server]
Displays the administrative details about the given server. If no server is specified, the server you are connected to is used.

1.6 Sets a variable

Usage: ASSIGN [-][user-variable] [whatever]
ASSIGN lets you create user variables which are automatically expanded by IRCII in aliases using the \$variable-name format. For example, if you had defined:
/ASSIGN me The Big Cheese
Then, in an alias, \$me would expand to "The Big Cheese". These are straight textual substitutions. You can use these kind of variables as counters and indexes into lists as well. For example:
/ASSIGN index 0
/ASSIGN index \${index+1}
The first line sets "index" to 0, the second increments index by 1. Note that the second will always be expanded if used in another alias (where \$ are normally expanded). If you want it to be expanded if typed at the input line, you must first set INPUT_ALIASES to ON.

Note: In the above example, the mathematical expression must be enclosed by {}'s otherwise the + would be treated as an alias delimiter and the addition not performed.

Suppose now you wanted to use index to get a single word in a list, you could do:

```
/ALIAS WORD /ECHO ${$index}
```

Then doing:

```
/WORD This is a test
```

would display the index'th word in the list.

The \${\$index} format does the following: it parses the text between the () as a sub-alias. The "\$index" is thus evaluated and returns it's value. This value is then replaced for the () expression and evaluated. So, if you had:

```
/ASSIGN index 1
```

Then, the following would be evaluated:

```
$index becomes 1 which given
```

`$(1)` which becomes simply `$1`
Thus the `$1` argument is used.
This functionality can be nested. This the following:
`/ASSIGN A Hey You!`
`/ASSIGN B A`
`/ASSIGN C B`
`/ALIAS NESTING /echo $($($C))`
will cause `/NESTING` to display "Hey You!"

The following format are also legal:

`$#name` evaluates to the number of words in name

`$#@name` evaluates to the number of characters in name

You can use these with the mathematical expressions as well,
for example:

`/ASSIGN foo Testing One Two`

`/ECHO $#foo $#@foo`

`/ASSIGN junk ${#foo + #@foo}`

The ECHO line will display 3 15 and the variable junk have the value 18.

Additionally, values assigned to `FUNCTION_RETURN` are taken to be the return value of a function.

See Also:

ALIAS

IF

1.7 Marks you as away

Usage: `AWAY` [away message]

Marks you as "away". Whenever someone sends you a MSG or a does a WHOIS on you, they automatically see whatever message you set. While you are away, all messages you receive will be timestamped and you will optionally get beeped (see `SET BEEP_WHEN_AWAY`) for each message. Using `AWAY` with no parameters marks you as no longer being away.

See Also:

`SET BEEP_WHEN_AWAY`

1.8 Some basics for newusers

Irc is a multi-user, multi-channel chatting network. It allows people all over the internet to talk to one another in real-time. Each irc user has a nickname they use. All communication with another user is either by nickname or by the channel that they or you are on. All IRCII commands begin with a `/` character. Anything that does not begin with a `/` is assumed to be a message that is sent to everyone on your channel. Here is a list of basic commands to help you get started:

`/ LIST` Lists all current irc channels, number of users, and topic.

```
/ NAMES                Shows the nicknames of all users on each
                        channel
/ JOIN <channel>       Join the named channel.  All non-commands
                        you type will now go to everyone on that
                        channel
/ MSG <nick> <msg>    Sends a private message to the specified
                        person.  Only the specified nickname will
                        see this message.
/ NICK                 Change your nickname
/ QUIT                Exits irc.
/ HELP <topic>        Gets help on all IRCII commands.
/ WHO <channel>       Shows who is on a given channel,
                        including nickname, user name and host,
                        and realname.
/ WHOIS <nick>        Shows the "true" indentity of someone
```

These commands should get you started on irc. Use the / HELP command to find out more about things on irc, or ask question of people... most would be happy to help you out.

1.9 Exit IRC

Usage: BYE
Quits your IRC session.
QUIT EXIT and SIGNOFF are identical.

1.10 Change directory

Usage: CD [path]
If a path is specified, this changes IRCII's working directory.
This is the default directory for EXEC's and other things
(such as logs) that don't have absolute paths specified.
CD with no arguments shows you the current directory.

1.11 Join a channel

Usage: CHANNEL [<channel>|-INVITE|-NICK <nickname>]
Changes your current channel to the channel specified. If the
-INVITE switch is used, you will join the channel that you were
last INVITED to. Or, if we wish to be grammatically correct,
you will join the channel to which you were last invited. If
the -NICK format is used, you will join the channel that the
specified nickname is on. If no parameters are given, your current
channel is displayed.

Information about the different channels:
Channel 0 is the limbo channel.
Channels 1 thru 999 are public.
Channels 1000 and up are private channels
Channels below 0 are private/invisible channels.

Channels may contain alphabetic characters if they begin with a + character. For example:
+My_Channel
is a valid channel name.
With server version 2.6 and beyond, there is a new channel type. A channel may begin with a # character. The following characters may be alphanumeric like + channels. However, you may join more than one # channel at a time. You can still be on 1 numeric or + channel and up to (at last check) 10 # channels.

CHANNEL and JOIN are identical.
See HELP MODE for information about changing channel characteristics.

1.12 Clear Window

Usage: CLEAR [-ALL]
Clears the current window. If the -ALL flag is used, clears all visible windows.

1.13 Some basics for newusers

All IRCII commands must begin with one of the CMDCHAR settings (see SET CMDCHARS). By default, this is set to /. Thus, any input line whose first character is a / is treated as an IRCII command. For example:

```
/MSG BigCheese Howdy!
```

This executes the MSG command, which sends a private message to "BigCheese", and that message is "Howdy!"

You can create aliases for commands or redefine what an existing command does. This is done with the ALIAS command. For example:

```
/ALIAS M /MSG
```

This example creates a new command, M, which does the same thing as MSG , you can now do:

```
/M BigCheese Howdy!
```

and it will work exactly like MSG. Suppose however you did this:

```
/ALIAS MSG //MSG BigCheese
```

Now, the MSG command will only send messages to BigCheese:

```
/MSG Howdy!
```

Note that in the alias, there are two / in front of MSG. Putting two of the CMDCHARS in front of a command tells IRCII that you

want to use the original command, and not any alias of it. Therefore, even if you had the above alias for MSG, you could still do the following:

```
//MSG Cheese I can still use the original MSG command.
```

Furthermore, if you wish you can turn off your display (See SET DISPLAY) for the duration of a command. This is done by putting a ^ character between the / and the command word. For example, if you do:

```
/^MSG BigCheese Hello
```

You will not see any visible effect to this command (unless the nickname BigCheese does not currently exist).

Lastly, if you do the following:

```
/ /this is a test
```

Note there is a space after the /. This form forces the following text to be sent to your current channel no matter what. You can thus send lines that begin with your CMDCHARS . It can also be used to force a message to your current channel when you are using QUERY .

1.14 Sets a comment in a script

Usage: COMMENT <anything you want>

This is a comment, does nothing. Useful in .ircrc files.

1.15 Attempts to connect another server (Operator-Command)

Usage remote: CONNECT <serverX> <port> <serverY>

Attempts to connect serverY to serverX on the given port.

1.16 Shows time/date

Usage: DATE [server]

Shows the current time of day and date. If a server is specified, the time of day and date are reported from that server. DATE and TIME are identical.

1.17 Describes an Action

Usage: /DESCRIBE <nickname|channel> <action description>

This command can be used to send a description of what you are doing or how you are feeling or just about anything concerning you, to the person or channel you pass as first argument.

/DESCRIBE BigCheese takes a flask of whisky out of the fridge.

is supposed to produce a line on BigCheese's screen stating:

Lynx takes a flask of whisky out of the fridge.

This command makes use of CTCP and is not understood by all clients. If you get an error message, your description has not arrived properly.

See Also:

- ME
- LOAD ACTION
- LOAD MUD
- CTCP
- CTCP CLIENTINFO

1.18 Shutdown a server (Operator-Command)

Usage: DIE

Causes your server to exit, die, pack it in, give up the ship, etc.

1.19 Send message across a direct client client connection

Usage: DMSG nickname

DMSG sends a message across a direct client connection to the given nickname. The connection must first have been established with DCC CHAT. DMSG messages are the most secure messages you can send to another user on IRC, as they are passed directly from your client to the client of the recipient, without passing through servers.

See Also:

- MSG
- DCC CHAT

1.20 Starts a DCC conversation with someone

Usage: DQUERY [nickname]

Starts a DCC conversation with [nicknames]. All text you type that would normally be sent to your channel now goes to [nicknames] in the form of DMSGs. To cancel a DCC conversation, use DQUERY with no arguments.

See Also:

- DCC CHAT
- DMSG

1.21 Print a text

Usage: ECHO <anything you want>

This simply displays all of it's arguments. However, it's not that simple. ECHO will work even if DISPLAY is set to OFF, making it useful in your .ircrc file. Also, ECHO will work in the action portion of an ON command in all modes. This can be used to redefine the way messages appear.

See Also:

- ON
- SET DISPLAY
- XECHO

1.22 Encrypt MSG's

Usage: ENCRYPT [nickname|channel] [key]

ENCRYPT allows you to hold an encrypted conversations with a person or a whole channel. Once a nickname/channel and key is specified, all messages you send to that nickname/channel will automatically be encrypted using the given key. Likewise, any messages from that nickname/channel will automatically be decrypted. IRCII is smart enough to know if the incoming message isn't encrypted and will not attempt to decrypt it. If you received an encrypted message from someone for whom you haven't specified a key, it will be displayed as [ENCRYPTED MESSAGE].

The [key] can be any text which is to be used as the key for encryption/decryption of the conversation. It is up to you and the people you wish to talk to about how to agree upon a key and how to communicate it to one another.

For example, if user CheeseDog wishes to talk encryptedly with user DogCheese, they must first agree on an encryption key (case sensitive), say foo. Then user CheeseDog must issue a

```
ENCRYPT DogCheese foo
```

and user DogCheese must issue a

```
ENCRYPT CheeseDog foo
```

Thereafter, all messages sent between CheeseDog and DogCheese will be encrypted and decrypted automatically.

If ENCRYPT is given with a nickname but no key, then encrypted conversation is ended with that user. If ENCRYPT is given with no arguments, the list of encrypted user and keys are displayed.

IRCII uses a built in encryption method that isn't terribly secure. You can use another if you so choose, see `SEE SET ENCRYPT_PROGRAM` for information about this.

If you are sending encrypted messages to a user or channel, you can toggle it off and on in a message line by inserting the control-E character in the input line. This is usually done

by hitting control-Q then control-E. An inverse video E will appear in the input line.

1.23 Some basics for newusers

HOW TO BEHAVE ON IRC

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1) Language

The most widely understood and spoken language on IRC is English. However! As IRC is used in many different countries, English is by no means the only language. If you want to speak some other language than English (for example with your friends), go to a separate channel and set the topic (with / Topic) to indicate that. For example

```
/topic Finnish only!
```

would mean that this channel would be reserved for Finnish discussion. On the other hand, you should check the topic (with /list command) before you move to a channel to see if there are any restrictions about language.

On a channel not restricted by /topic, please speak a language everybody can understand. If you want to do otherwise, change channels and set the topic accordingly.

2) Hello/Goodbye

It's not necessary to greet everybody on a channel personally. Usually one "Hello" or equivalent is enough. And don't expect everybody to greet you back. On a channel with 20 people that would mean one screenful of hellos. It's sensible not to greet, in order not to be rude to the rest of the channel. If you must say hello to somebody you know, do it with a private / Msg . The same applies to goodbyes.

Also note that using IRCII's / ON facility to automatically say hello or goodbye to people is extremely poor etiquette. Nobody wants to receive autogreets. They are not only obviously automatic, but even if you think you are being polite you are actually sounding insincere and also interfering with the personal environment of the recipient when using autogreets. If somebody wants to be autogreeted on joining a channel, they will autogreet themselves.

3) Discussion

When you come to a new channel it's advised you to listen for a while to get an impression of what's discussed. Please feel free to join in, but do not try to force your topic into the discussion if that doesn't come naturally.

**** 4) Limits**

On channel numbers above 10 there can be only 10 persons per channel. So if the channel is full and you don't actively participate, please move to another channel to let someone else in.

5) {}|[]

IRC has quite a lot of people from Scandinavian countries, the above characters are letters in their alphabet. This has been explained on IRC about a thousand and one times, so read the following, do not ask it on IRC:

```
{      is an A with 2 dots over it
}      is an A with a small circle above it
|      is either an O with 2 dots over it or an O with a dash (/) through it
[, ], and \ are the preceding three letters in upper case.
```

6) ATTENTION!

Remember, people on IRC form their opinions about you only by your actions, writings and comments on IRC. So think before you type.

1.24 Executes an UNIX-Command

Usages:

```
EXEC <shell commands>
EXEC -NAME <name> <shell commands>
EXEC -OUT [%<process id>|<shell commands>]
EXEC -MSG <nickname> [%<process id>|<shell commands>]
EXEC -IN %<process id> <text to send to process>
EXEC -WINDOW [%<process id>|<shell commands>]
EXEC -<signal> %<process id>
EXEC -CLOSE %<process id>
```

EXEC allows you to start subprocesses in IRCII and manipulate them in various ways. You can start multiple subprocesses simultaneously and access them via a process number assigned by IRCII. You can list all currently running subprocesses by using EXEC with no parameters. The process id of a process is the number assigned by IRCII for that process, or the name of the process given by the -NAME flag. If a NAME is given to a process, that name may be used anyway in place of the process number assigned by IRCII.

The first form of EXEC will simply start a subprocess and send it's output to your display.

The second form tells IRCII to send the output of the process to your current channel. For example:

```
EXEC -OUT ls
sends the output of ls to your channel.
```

```
EXEC -OUT %1
```

tells IRCII to send the output of subprocess 1 to your channel. Subprocess 1 must exist already by a previous call to EXEC.

The third form is much like the second, except that it sends to the specified nickname or nicknames (the format of the nicknames is the same as for MSG). As with the second form, you can start a subprocess with -MSG, or you can change an already running process to send it's output to the given nicknames.

The fourth form lets you send a line of input to a running subprocess. For example:

```
EXEC -IN %shell This is a test.
```

Sends "This is a test." to subprocess 0. This processes must have previously been started with a call to EXEC -NAME shell. An alternate method of sending text to processes is using the MSG or QUERY command. In the place of a nickname, you may specify %n, when n is a current running processes id. For example:

```
MSG %shell This is a test.
```

is equivalent to the previous example.

The fifth form lets you specify that you want all output from the process to go to the current window. Normally, output from processes goes to whichever window has a level setting of CRAP. This locks the output into the current window.

```
EXEC -WINDOW %1
```

Sends the output of process 1 to the current window.

The last form lets you send various signals to subprocesses. The allowable signals are:

HUP	INT	QUIT	ILL	TRAP	IOT	EMT
FPE	KILL	BUS	SEGV	SYS	PIPE	ALRM
TERM	URG	STOP	TSTP	CONT	CHLD	TTIN
TTOU	IO	XCPU	XFSZ	VTALRM	PROF	WINCH
LOST	USR1	USR2				

What these signals do depends on the process running, etc.

```
EXEC -KILL %0
```

Sends a KILL signal to process 0, forcing it to exit immediately. If you want to read more about these signals, do a "man kill" at your shell prompt.

The last form is for really ornery processes that simply won't die. Sometimes this is because an EXEC'd process has forked off subprocesses which don't die when you use -KILL (or other flag). Doing a:

```
EXEC -CLOSE %0
```

closes all of IRCII's connections to that processes. This means that even if the processes is still sending output you won't see it. This also means (in most cases) that the process will be killed by a SIGPIPE when it tries to send to IRCII.

See Also:

```
SET SHELL
SET SHELL_FLAGS
```

```
SET SHELL_LIMIT
SET NOTIFY_ON_TERM
```

1.25 Exit IRC

Usage: EXIT

Quits your IRC session.

BYE QUIT and SIGNOFF are identical.@endnode

1.26 Flush server-output

Usage: FLUSH

Flushes all pending output from the server. This has the effect of stopping long lists from the server, such as a LINKS command which can get quite lengthy.

1.27 Gives you help on IRC (not needed, you have THIS :))

Usage: HELP [command]

Shows help on the given command. The help documentation is set up in a heirarchical fashion. That means that certain help topics have sub-topics under them. For example, doing

```
/HELP ADMIN
```

gives help on the admin command, while:

```
/HELP SET
```

gives help on the set command and also displays a list of sub-topics for SET. If you are using IRCIIHelp, then to get help on the subtopics, you would do:

```
/HELP SET <subtopic>
```

where <subtopic> is one of the subtopics. If you are using the built in help, then you need only type the subtopic name. The input prompt will indicate what help level you are on. Hitting return will move you up one level.

At any time, you can specify a ? to get a list of subtopics without the associated help file, for example:

```
/HELP ?
```

gives a list of all main help topics. The following:

```
/HELP BIND ?
```

gives the list of all BIND subtopics. If you use a ? with a topic that has no subtopics, you will simply get the standard help file for that topic.

See also:

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1.28 Shows you the command history

Usage: HISTORY [number]

Displays the command history to the screen. You can specify the number of history entries you wish to view as well.

See Also:

SET HISTORY

1.29 Execute command when a boolean expression is true/false

Usage: IF boolean true-command [false-command]

IF is a method of executing different commands depending on the truth of a boolean expression. The boolean in the IF command can be one of the following:

```
exp
exp1=exp2
exp1!exp2
exp1>exp2
exp1<exp2
```

Here, `exp`, `exp1`, and `exp2` can either be numeric or string data. If just `exp` is used, then the `true-command` is executed if `exp` is either a non-empty string or a non-zero number. Otherwise, `false-command` is executed. If `false-command` is not present, no command is executed.

In the other expressions, if both `exp1` and `exp2` are numeric, then the following cause `true-command` to be executed:

```
= if exp1 is equal to exp2
! if exp1 is not equal to exp2
> if exp1 is greater than exp2
< if exp1 is less than exp2
```

Otherwise, `false-command` (if present) is executed.

If both `exp1` and `exp2` are non-numeric, then the following cause `true-command` to be executed:

```
= if exp1 is the same as exp2
! if exp1 is not the same as exp2
> if exp1 is alphabetically greater than exp2
< if exp1 is alphabetically less than exp2
```

All string comparisons are case-insensitive: so `"Hello=HELLO"` is true.

NOTE: No spaces are allowed in the boolean expression. You can however put double quotes around a boolean expression to have it include more than one word.

Both the `true-command` and `false-command` may either be a single one word command, or you may surround a command and its arguments in double quotes.

Examples:

```
/IF "$!^=^<^>C" "/set input_prompt $C" "/set -input_prompt"
/IF "$!^=^<^>C!0" "/set input_prompt $C" "/set -input_prompt"
```

Both of the above evaluate the same way, since `$C` will either expand to your current channel or 0 if none. If you aren't familiar with what `$!^=^<^>C` means, I'll explain. `$C` expands to the current channel.

Putting in `^c` (where `c` is any character) tells IRCII to quote `c` with a `\` before substitution. Using `^!=^<^>` will cause any operators embedded in channel names to be quoted and not interfere with the operation.

NOTE: if you type the above examples in at the command line, the `$C` will only be converted if you have `INPUT_ALIASES ON`. These examples will all work fine if embedded in an `ALIAS` .

```
/IF "$USER=ms5n" "/echo Hello Mike!" "/echo Who the hell are you?"
```

This example will look for an ASSIGN'd variable named `USER`, and if found replace it and compare to `ms5n`. If no ASSIGN'd variable exists, it will check the environment variables for `USER` and return that.

```
/IF "$index>${max*2}" "/echo Limit reached"
```

This checks the ASSIGN'd variable against the ASSIGN'd variable `max` times 2 and displays "Limit reached" if the first is greater than the second. It does nothing if this is not true.

1.30 Ignore MSG's/Notices from a user on IRC

Usages:

```
IGNORE [nick] [-|+|^][message type]
IGNORE [user@host] [-][message type]
```

The standard form of `IGNORE` allows you to specify which type of messages you wish to ignore from a user. The message type parameter can be one of the following:

MSGs	All MSGs received
NOTICES	All NOTICES received
PUBLIC	All normal channel conversation
INVITES	All INVITES received
WALLS	All WALLS received
* WALLOPS	All WALLOPS received
NOTES	All NOTES received
ALL	All of the above message types
NONE	No message types

You can ignore by nickname or by specifying a `userid@hostname` format. Wildcards may be used in all formats. You can specify multiple types of messages to ignore on the command line. Preceding a type with a `-` indicates removal of ignoring of that type of message. For example:

```
IGNORE BigCheese PRIVATE INVITES
```

ignores MSGs and INVITES from BigCheese.

```
IGNORE *@*.cmu.edu ALL -WALLS
```

ignores all types of messages except WALLS from anyone from CMU. The `user@host` format is considerably slower than the nickname format and doesn't function for PUBLIC messages.

You may also specify a `+` before any message type to cause messages of that type from that user to be displayed with the nickname highlighted. For example:

```
IGNORE *Cheese* +PRIVATE
```

will cause all MSGs from anyone with Cheese in their nickname

to appear with their nickname highlighted.

```
IGNORE * +WALLS +NOTES
```

will highlight all WALLS and NOTES received. The + has no effect with the user@host name format.

If you specify a ^ before a message type, then messages from the matching nicknames will be displayed no matter what. This allows you to exclude certain nicknames from larger matching lists. For example:

```
/IGNORE * MSG
```

```
/IGNORE BigCheese ^MSG
```

This will ignore private messages from everyone except BigCheese.

All forms of IGNORE use the - to remove ignore attributes, and the type NONE will remove the user from the list completely.

All forms of IGNORE will match against the nickname with the most true matching characters. What this means is if you have:

```
IGNORE BigCheese PRIVATE
```

```
IGNORE * +ALL
```

Then MSG's from BigCheese will be ignored, and all other types of messages from BigCheese will be unaffected. All messages of all types from any other user will be highlighted.

1.31 Shows information about the IRC creators

Usage: INFO

Shows information about the IRC creators.

See also:

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1.32 Invite a User to a channel

Usage: INVITE <nickname> [channel]

Invites another user to a channel. If no channel is specified, your current channel is used.

1.33 Join a channel

Usage: JOIN [<channel>|-INVITE|-NICK <nickname>]

Changes your current channel to the channel specified. If the -INVITE switch is used, you will join the channel that you were last INVITED to. Or, if we wish to be grammatically correct, you will join the channel to which you were last invited. If the -NICK format is used, you will join the channel that the specified nickname is on. If no parameters are given, your current channel is displayed.

Information about the different channels:

Channel 0 is the limbo channel.

Channels 1 thru 999 are public.

Channels 1000 and up are private channels

Channels below 0 are private/invisible channels.

Channels may contain alphabetic characters if they begin with a + character. For example:

+My_Channel

is a valid channel name.

With server version 2.6 and beyond, there is a new channel type. A channel may begin with a # character. The following characters may be alphanumeric like + channels. However, you may join more than one # channel at a time. You can still be on 1 numeric or + channel and up to (at last check) 10 # channels.

~CHANNEL and JOIN are identical.

See HELP MODE for about changing channel characteristics.

1.34 Kick a user off a channel

Usage: KICK <channel> <user>

Kicks specified user off a given channel. Only channel operators are privileged to use this command. Channel operator privileges can be given to other users of channel by command

/MODE <channel> +o <user>

and taken away by command

/MODE <channel> -o <user>

1.35 Kill a user from IRC (Operator-Command)

Usage: KILL <nickname> [comment]

Removes a person from irc. This is an operator command and should be used with extreme caution (if at all). The optional [comment] is usually supplied to indicate to other operators the reason for the kill. If you don't give a comment, you will probably be bombarded with messages saying "why the kill?"

1.36 Shows the contents of the lastlog

Usage: LASTLOG [flag] [number of entries|string] [from entry]

Displays the contents of the lastlog. This is a list of the most recent messages that have appeared on the screen. LASTLOG is useful to redisplay the screen if you inadvertently do a /CLEAR or miss messages for other reasons. If no arguments are given, the entire lastlog is displayed. If the first argument is a number, it determines how many log entries to show. Otherwise it is searched for in every lastlog entry. The second argument determines how many lines back to start display

from. Thus
/LASTLOG 4 8
Shows 4 lines of the lastlog, starting at line 8... lines 8, 9, 10, 11 are displayed. Furthermore:
/LASTLOG bigcheese
displays only those lastlog entries that contain the word "bigcheese".

You can further limit the display of the lastlog by specifying one of the following flags:

- PUBLIC Normal channel messages
- MSG Private messages
- NOTICE Notices
- NOTE Notes
- WALL Walls
- WALLOP Wallops
- CRAP Anything not included in the other categories

The lastlog will only display messages of the type specified by the flag.

See Also:

- SET LASTLOG
- SET LASTLOG_LEVEL

1.37 Leave a channel

Usage: LEAVE <channel>

Leave a channel. This is used to leave a # channel while remaining on all other channels you are on. Of course, you can use LEAVE to leave from any channel, not just a # channel.

1.38 Shows the serverconnections

Usage: LINKS [servername]

Shows all of the servers currently connected to the irc network. If servername is specified, LINKS shows any servers that match the given servername. The servername may contain wildcards.

1.39 Lists all channels

Usage: LIST [flag [arg]] [channel]

LIST gives you a listing of channels which includes channel name, number of users, and a topic (if one is set). If no channel is specified, all channels are shown, otherwise only channels that match are displayed (the channel may contain wildcards). The displayed list may also be limited by using one or more of the following flags:

- MIN n When n the minimum number of user. Channels

with less than n users are not shown.
-MAX n When n the maximum number of user. Channels
with more than n users are not shown.
-PUBLIC Only shows Public channels
-PRIVATE Only shows Private (*) channels
-ALL Overrides previous -PUBLIC and/or -PRIVATE
-TOPIC Always show channels with a topic set
(regardless of other switches)

1.40 Shows you some stats about IRC

Usage: LUSERS

Gives a brief listing of the number of users, the number of servers and the number of operators.

1.41 Informations when you get UNIX-Mail

The MAIL command in previous versions of IRCII has been changed to NOTE. This is to minimize confusion between the server's delayed messaging capability (now the NOTE command), and the unix mail indicators built into IRCII. If you get a message which says "You have new mail" or you see (Mail:1) in your status line, this means that you have unix mail and you should leave irc to read it.

1.42 Action-description

Usage: /ME <action description>
or /<your_nickname> <action description>

This command can be used to send a description of what you are doing or how you are feeling or just about anything concerning you, to the current channel or query. When I type:

```
/ME opens up the fridge.
```

it's supposed to produce a line on my talking partners screens stating:

```
Lynx opens up the fridge.
```

You can also use your own nickname as command, that is you can type the line with a leading slash, like this:

```
/lynx reaches out for the orange juice.
```

Hopefully resulting into:

```
Lynx reaches out for the orange juice.
```

It is absolutely good style to not forget the period at the end!!

This command makes use of CTCP and is not understood by all clients. If you get an error message, your description has not arrived properly.

See Also:

DESCRIBE
LOAD ACTION
LOAD MUD
CTCP
CTCP CLIENTINFO

1.43 Changes the mode of a channel

Usage: MODE <channel> [+|-]<modechars> <parameters>

Mode command is quite complicated and it allows channel operators to change channel mode. <modechars> is one of the following:

m - channel is moderated (only channel operators talk)
s - channel is secret
p - channel is private
l <number> - channel is limited, where <number> is the maximum number of users allowed
t - topic limits, only the channel operators may change it
a - channel is anonymous
o <nick> - Makes <nick> a channel operator
i - channel is invite only
n - No MSGs to the channel are allowed

A + or - sign determines whether the specified mode should be added or deleted.

1.44 Shows the servermessage-of-the-day

Usage: MOTD [server]

Gives the message-of-the-day for the named server. If no server is given, your server is used.

1.45 Sends a private message to a user or a channel

Usage: MSG <nicknames|<channel>|%n|-CHANNEL <nickname>> <text of message>

Sends a private message to the nicknames or list of nicknames specified. A list of nicknames should be separated by commas (no spaces). Two special case nicknames are defined. If the nickname is "," (a comma), the message is sent to the last person who sent you a /MSG. If the nickname is "." (a period), the message is sent to the last person to whom you send a message.

The second form allows you to specify a channel number or channel name to which to send the message. The message will go

to everyone on that channel.

The third form lets you specify a process number to which the message will go, where n is the process number. This works just like the EXEC -IN command. For example:

```
MSG %1 Homina homina homina
```

will send the text to process 1. Process 1 must be running already using a previous call to EXEC.

The last form is similar to the second except that you can specify the channel to send a message to by giving the nickname of one to the people on the channel. IRCII will look up the proper channel number or name and send the message.

- * There is also a use of wildcards for operators.
- * For example : /msg \$*.edu will address all users having .edu
- * in their serverinfo.

See Also:

```
SET BEEP_ON_MSG
EXEC
DMSG
```

1.46 Shows all users who are currently on IRC

Usage: NAMES [flag [arg]] [channel]

Shows the nicknames of all users on all visible channels.

If no channel is specified, all channels are shown, otherwise only matching channels are shown (the channel may contain wildcards). The displayed list may also be limited by using one or more of the following flags:

- MIN n When n the minimum number of user. Channels with less than n users are not shown.
- MAX n When n the maximum number of user. Channels with more than n users are not shown.
- PUBLIC Only shows Public channels
- PRIVATE Only shows Private (*) channels
- ALL Overrides previous -PUBLIC and/or -PRIVATE

1.47 Some news in IRC II V2.1.5

ircII 2.1.5

- ```
~~~~~
```
- > The command /who -h and -s is no more supported.
  - > Introduced { and } in scripts, see script/finger for an example.  
New also: You can indent things in a script. See Also /help load.
  - > Behaviour of HOLD\_MODE has changed, won't hold when you are being active in that window. I like it a lot more, it's not so disturbing anymore.
  - > Away messages are displayed only once, when talking to someone who is away unless you /set show\_away\_once off.
  - > You don't get disturbed by cryptic but trivial CTCP requests, unless
-

you /set verbose\_ctcp on.

- > Improved handling of process prompts, but INPUT\_PROMPT must be set.
- > ircII can now load scripts and help files in compressed form.
- > All the scripts have been updated and many helpfiles written and rewritten. Many bugs have been fixed, support of newer server features added, this client is already 2.7-capable.

> There have been major changes in the command parser. Commands are not expected to have a leading / unless entered interactively, if you experience incompatibilities, you will have to add 'say' and 'send' wherever you have made aliases that send to the channel or query. See Also /help ircII programming for this. Also the ';' has a new meaning as command separator within ALIAS, BIND and ON. You might have to \escape it.

> The good news: Scripts are much more readable and understandable, look a lot less ugly now :) COMMAND\_MODE gives command-oriented freaks the chance to use ircII that way. A special script for MUDDers has been added that emulates an Aber/LPMUD-like environment on irc, without having to type / before "smile" and allowing "'<text>" for "say" etc.

> CTCP ACTION has been implemented which permits you to send descriptions of actions/'feelings' to other people on channels and even through queries. You can use it with /me and the action script. See Also: /help load action.

## 1.48 Some basics for newusers

### NEW USER INFORMATION FOR IRC

This file contains some caveats for people new to IRC. It is not a guide to commands for IRC. For a brief guide to commands for new users, see /HELP INTRO.

See /HELP ETIQUETTE for a guide to good manners on IRC.

IRC is an international network servicing 20 or more countries. There are over 2000 registered users, and a similar number of regular unregistered users. Do not expect everybody to speak English.

The primary means of identification is currently by nickname. This can be modified with / NICK , and registered with NickServ. (/MSG NickServ HELP for information on NickServ). Note, however that some nicknames are duplicated, and some people will impersonate others by using their nicknames. If you have any doubts about the identity of somebody using a given nick, use / WHOIS NickName to find out more. This gives detailed information on the person using the NickName. For example, if you are getting abusive messages from "Fred", type:

```
/WHOIS Fred
```

If the information displayed is not the same as that which you would expect for Fred, it is probably a case of impersonation.

Recently some users have been tricking others into allowing them to

---

control their IRC sessions or damaging their files. If somebody asks you to type a command and you don't know what it does, use /HELP CommandName to find out more about it first. In particular, /ON has been used to cause trouble and is now initially disabled for new users. Additionally, /QUI is short for /QUIT and will terminate your IRC session. If you see any message asking you to type /QUI or /QUIT, ignore it.

Some new users have been baffled by "CTCP" messages appearing on the IRC session. These are messages from other users, asking your client to perform some service for them. They are generally generated by somebody typing in a CTCP command. See /HELP CTCP .

If you have not already done so, read the HELP files INTRO and ETIQUETTE .

## 1.49 Changes your nickname

Usage: NICK <nickname>

Changes your nickname to whatever you like. The nickname may be at most 9 characters. If you specify a nickname that is already in use, you will be prompted to enter a new nickname.

## 1.50 Sends a private message to a user or a channel

Usage: NOTICE <nicknames|<channel>|-CHANNEL <nickname>> <text of message>

Sends a private message to the nicknames or list of nicknames specified. Unlike MSG, no automated response messages (such as generated by INQUIRE or an automaton) will be sent in response to a NOTICE. Other than that, it's just like a MSG.

For a description of parameters and switches see:  
MSG

## 1.51 Give Message when a notified user leaves/enters IRC

Usage: NOTIFY [-]<nickname> { [-]<nickname> ... }

Use of this command lets you mark certain nicknames such that you will be warned when they signon or off of IRC. When someone on your notify-list signs on, you will see a message "Signon by <nickname> detected". Likewise, when they signoff, you will see "Signoff by <nickname> detected". Someone will be shown as signed off if they change nicknames as well, so keep this in mind.

You can modify how the signon and signoff messages are displayed using the ON NOTIFY\_SIGNON and ON NOTIFY\_SIGNOFF commands.

Specifying a - before a nickname will remove notification

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checking for that nickname. If no parameters are specified, the current status of each user on your notify list is displayed. If you specify a + without any additional parameters:

```
/NOTIFY +
```

you will be shown a list of only those people on your notification list who are currently on irc.

## 1.52 Gives you Operator-Priviledges (Operator-Command)

Usage: OPER <nickname> <password>

Gives you operator priviledges if the correct nickname and password are given. If password is not given, you will be prompted for one. If no nickname is given, your current nickname will be used.

## 1.53 Leave a channel

Usage: PART <channel>

Leave a channel. This is used to leave from a # channel while remaining on all other channels you are on. Of course, you can use PART to leave from any channel, not only # channels.

## 1.54 Start a conversation with a user

Usage: QUERY [nicknames|%n]

Starts a private conversation with [nicknames]. All text you type that would normally be sent to your channel now goes to [nicknames] in the form of MSGs. To cancel a private conversation, use QUERY with no arguments. The %n arguments allows you to send the query text to a process number n. The process must have already been started using a previous call to EXEC.

See Also:

EXEC

## 1.55 Exit IRC

Usage: QUIT

Quits your IRC session.

BYE EXIT and SIGNOFF are identical.

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## 1.56 Sends a command directly to your server

Usage: QUOTE <server command>

Send a command directly to the server. No parsing is done by the client.

## 1.57 Send output from a command to a nickname/channel/process

Usage: REDIRECT <nick|channel|process> <cmd>

This will send the output from the given command to the specified nickname, channel, or started process. For example:

```
/REDIRECT +Har /whois bigcheese
```

This sends the result of "/whois bigcheese" to channel +Har.

There is an implicit WAIT built into the REDIRECT command.

This means that all output will be redirected until the given command has finished executing. This can have some unpredictable results, so use it with caution.

## 1.58 Let the server re-read its configuration file (Operator-Command)

Usage: REHASH

Forces the server to re-read its configuration file.

## 1.59 Restart the server (Operator-Command)

Usage: RESTART

Causes your server to restart itself, or more correctly, to start up the binary with the path you have defined in the ircd's config.h.

## 1.60 Some basics for newusers

Definitions:

- IRC-ADMIN - Person who have access to all files concerning ircd.
- IRC-OP - Person who have privileges given to him by an IRC-ADMIN.  
And who is in charge at HIS server.
- USER - Person who is using IRC.

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Users Behavior on the Internet Relay Chat system

The Internet Relay Network (IRC) is a system for communicating with other peoples.

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IRC is a free speech system. Users may exchange viewpoints with other users. But to protect people from abuse there are certain rules that the user MUST respect.

If a USER doesn't respect the guidelines/rules stated below, then the IRC-ADMIN may suspend or reduce the availability for the USER.

These things are prohibited:

- \* Using offensive words in channel topics.
- \* Harassing another user. Harassment is defined as behavior towards another user with the purpose of annoying them. Harassment is a matter of opinion of the IRC-OP.
- \* "Dumping" a lot of text to a channel.
- \* Annoying another user or a channel with constant beeping.
- \* Any behavior reducing the functionality of IRC.

What kind of action a user is doing to break these rules are up to the IRC-OP to decide.

Violation should be straighted out via a civilized conversation between the IRC-OP and the USER.

If the USER is not on-line then the USER should be notified by EMail.

If the USER wont respect what he's been told then it is up to the IRC-ADMIN what to do with the USER.

If someone finds a USER violating these rules he may contact the USER's IRC-ADMIN.

To find a USERS IRC-ADMIN one may use the / ADMIN <nick-name>.

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## 1.61 Save currently IRC-Settings to a file

Usage: SAVE [filename]

This will save all of the settings of IRCII to a file. It saves all of the Key Bindings, Variables, and Aliases (in that order) in a format such that they can be loaded into IRCII using the LOAD command or the -l switch. If no filename is given, the your default .ircrc file will be used (unless changed with the -l switch).

See Also:

LOAD

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IRCII COMMAND\_LINE\_ARGS

## 1.62 Send a message to the current channel

Usage: SAY <text>

This command is to permit aliases, binds, scripts and similar to send a message to the current channel as if it were typed. This is equivalent to typing `'/ <text>'`.

See Also:

SEND

IRCII PROGRAMMING

## 1.63 Send a message to the current channel

Usage: SEND <text>

This command is to permit aliases, binds, scripts and similar to send a message to the current channel or query as if it were typed.

See Also:

SAY

IRCII PROGRAMMING

## 1.64 Changes your server

Usage: SERVER [+|-][<name of server>|<number in server\_list>] [port number]

Switches your primary server to the server specified at the specified port number. If no port number is given, the default port number is used. Your channel and AWAY status will remain unchanged. Occasionally, you can switch servers faster than the irc network can send out the information that you have left a server. So don't be suprised if it says your nickname is in use... just wait a moment and set it with NICK . IRCII maintains an internal list of servers you have connected to. To see that list, use /SERVER with no arguments. You may also specify one of the servers in the server list by its number in the list, by issuing:

```
/SERVER <number in list>
```

Likewise, you can automatically switch to the next or previous server in the server list by doing:

```
/SERVER +
```

or

```
/SERVER -
```

to switch to the next and previous server in the list, respectively.

Also, you can set a particular server to be associated with a particular IRCII window. To do this, set the current window to the

window you wish to use and do:

```
/SERVER +servername
```

In this case, `servername` may again be a name, IP address, or number of a server in your server list.

This will connect you to the given server as a secondary server in that window. Doing a `/SERVER` with no parameters will show you your primary server. If you kill the last window associated with a server, the connection to that server will close. If you kill the last window associated with your primary server, a new open server will be chosen as the primary server. If there are open servers you will not be allowed to close the connection to your primary server. The following will also close a connection to a specific server:

```
/SERVER -servername
```

When you create new windows, they will use as their associated server whatever was the server for the current window when the new window was created. You can therefore have more than one window for any server, but still only one primary server.

Every time you switch to a new server, it gets added to the server list automatically. To set up initial servers in the server list, you can specify them on the command line as such:

```
irc <nickname> server1 server2 server3
```

Each host may have it's own port number and password specified on the command line as well:

```
irc <nickname> server1:6667 server2:7000:blah server3::foo
```

In this case, `server1` will use port 6667, `server2` will use port 7000 with password `blah`, and `server3` will use the default port number with password `foo`. The `-p` switch on the command line allows you to specify the default port number. Also, if no password is specified and one is needed to connect, you will be prompted to enter a password before you can connect. You can also specify the default server list in the `IRCSERVER` environment variable using the same format as above.

See Also:

```
IRCII SERVER_LISTS
IRCII COMMAND_LINE_ARGS
IRCII ENVIRONMENT_VARS
```

## 1.65 Exit IRC

Usage: `SIGNOFF`

Quits your IRC session.

`BYE` `EXIT` and `QUIT` are identical.

## 1.66 Suspend IRC for the given number of seconds

Usage: `SLEEP <number of seconds>`

This suspends IRCII for the number of seconds given. NOTHING happens during this time. This is really only useful for automatons.

Maybe not even then.

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## 1.67 Sends a server quit to the named server (Operator-Command)

Usage: SQUIT <servername>  
Sends a server quit to the named server.

## 1.68 Shows some stats about IRC

Usage: STATS [L|C]  
Shows some irc server usage statistics. If L is specified, more specific information is displayed on the current irc server connections. If C is specified, the server's connections as specified in it's config file are displayed.

## 1.69 Summons a user to IRC

Usage: SUMMON <userid>[@server]  
Summons a user to irc. The user currently must be logged into the server machine for this to function.

## 1.70 Shows time/date

Usage: TIME [server]  
Shows the current time of day and date. If a server is specified, the time of day and date are reported from that server. DATE and TIME are identical.

## 1.71 Changes the topic

Usage: TOPIC [<channel>] [<topic for channel>]  
Changes the topic for the named channel.

## 1.72 Shows the server connection of a server

Usage: TRACE <server>  
Shows the server connection of the given server.

## 1.73 Simulate keyboard keystrokes

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Usage: TYPE <keystrokes>

The TYPE command simulates keyboard keystrokes. You can include control characters as well as normal characters and they will respond as they would as if typed at the keyboard. A control key is specified by a ^ before the letter. For example:

```
TYPE Testing^B^B^B go^E
```

will type the word "Testing", move the cursor left three spaces, then type " go" and move the cursor to the end of the line, leaving "Test going" on the input line. This will probably happen too fast to see.

## 1.74 Shows the user logged into a server

Usage: USERS <server>

Shows the users logged into the machine where the specified server is running. If no server is given, the current server is used.

## 1.75 Shows the IRC II version number of client and server

Usage: VERSION [server]

Shows the IRCII version number and the version number of the server specified. If no server name is specified, the version of your current server is shown.

## 1.76 Wait for something

Usage: WAIT [%process]

There are two forms of this command. The first is:

```
/WAIT
```

with no arguments. This form waits for all server output to finish before continuing. This is useful if you have an alias in which you change a variable that you wish to change back after completion of the command, or if you wish to insure that your operator privs are activated in your .ircrc before continuing: For example, in your .ircrc:

```
/OPER <nick> <password>
/WAIT
/TRACE
```

The /WAIT insures that the server has responded to the /OPER before continuing. If you didn't /WAIT, you would get an Unknown command error from the /TRACE.

The second form of the command is:

```
/WAIT %process
```

Where %process is a valid running processes id or name. This is used to cause IRCII to wait for an EXECd process to finish before continuing. If the given process doesn't exist, return is

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immediate. Here is an example of it's use:

```
/on ^exec uptime /assign uptime $1
/on ^exec_exit uptime
/alias uptime /exec -name uptime uptime\n/wait %uptime
```

Now, whenever you do /uptime, this runs the uptime program and ASSIGNS the uptime variable to the time of day (that's \$1 in the return from uptime). This can be used for things like:

```
/alias dotime /uptime\nThe time is: ${uptime}
```

which will send "The time is: 10:42pm" to your channel (with the correct time of course).

## 1.77 Sends a message to all users on IRC

Usage: WALL <text of message>

Sends a message to all users on irc.

## 1.78 Sends a message to all operators currently on IRC

Usage: WALLOPS <message>

Sends a message to all operators currently on irc.

## 1.79 A While-command

Usage: WHILE boolean cmd

This will execute the given cmd while the given boolean returns true. The boolean has the same format as for the IF command, except that it is re-evaluated at each loop interation. The same is true for cmd. It is re-evaluated at each loop interation. This mean that if you have a \$ expression that you wish to test at each loop interation you must put two \$. This is because the first \$ will be consumed when the command is initially parsed, and the second will be done at each loop interation. For example:

```
/alias repeat /^assign blah 0\n/while "$${blah}<$0" "$^^$1-\n/^assign blah ←
  $$${blah+1}"\n/^assign -blah
```

This can be used as follows:

```
/repeat 10 /msg bigcheese This repeats 10 times
```

The repeat alias is broken down into three parts (between \n's):

```
/^assign blah 0
/while "$${blah}<$0" "$^^$1-\n/^assign blah $$${blah+1}"
/^assign -blah
```

The first is to initialize blah to 0 and the last part is to remove blah when done. The WHILE portion is described below:

The boolean for the while loop is "\$\${blah}<\$0". When the alias is first parsed, this becomes "\${blah}<10" using the above example. This is what is then used at each loop interation. At the first iteration this will be "0<10", at the next "1<10", and so on. The cmd part of this looks like "\$^^\$1-\n/^assign blah \$\$\${blah+1}" When the alias is first parsed, this becomes

```
"/msg bigcheese This repeats 10 times\n/^assign blah ${blah+1}"
```

This is executed at each loop interation. It sends the MSG to

BigCheese and then it increments blah by 1.

I hope this clears things up for you. It gets a bit confusing knowing when to put two \$ and when not to. Just remember that each alias is parsed once through before the sub-command parts are evaluated. The WHILE command then uses that and evaluates again the boolean and cmd portions of the WHILE.

## 1.80 Gives a listing of the users on IRC

Usage: WHO [-switch [arg]] [wildcard expression]

Gives a listing of the users on irc. If no flags are specified, the wildcard expression you supply will match any field returned by WHO. However, if the wildcard expression is "\*" (an asterisk), the users on the current channel are shown. If the expression is 0, all users on irc are shown. The following switches are also recognized and used to limit the listing:

```
-OPERATORS          - lists only operators
-CHOPS              - lists only channel operators
-NAME <username>   - lists only people with matching
                    user-ids
-FILE <filename>   - lists only people listed in the
                    file
```

The switches may be abbreviated unambiguously. All matching of usernames, hostnames, and servernames may contain wildcards (\*). Wildcards in the form "\*.edu" are also correctly recognized by the IRC server (so there's no need for ircII to do that).

## 1.81 Shows more informations about a user

Usage: WHOIS <nickname>  
WHOIS <nick1>,<nick2> [...]  
WHOIS <server> <nickname>[,<nick2>...]

Shows more detailed information about the nickname specified. This info includes the users name, host, server, "real" name, and away message. As you can see in the second line you can use /whois on multiple nicknames. The third line demonstrates how you can send the /whois request to a distant server. If you /whois a person on his server you will receive extra info about his idle time.

See Also:  
WHOWAS

## 1.82 Shows information about who used the given nickname last

Usage: WHOWAS <nickname>

Shows information about who used the given nickname last, even if no one is currently using it.

## 1.83 Manipulate/open/close windows in IRC II

Usage: WINDOW [<argument> [<argument> <argument> ...]]

The WINDOW command lets you manipulate multiple "windows" in IRCII. Windows are horizontally divided sections of the screen in which different bits of irc information can be displayed. WINDOW lets you create, manipulate, and remove such windows. The <argument> parameter to WINDOW can be one of the following:

|               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|---------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| NEW           | Creates a new window by splitting the current window evenly.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| KILL          | Removes the current window. This does not remove you from any channel you were on in that window.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| GOTO n        | Set the current window to the n'th window visible on the screen. They are numbered from the 1 being the topmost window.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| GROW <n>      | Increases the size of the current window by n lines.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| SHRINK <n>    | Decreases the size of the current window by n lines.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| CHANNEL <c>   | Directs all conversation with channel <c> to the current window. If you are not current on channel <c>, you will join it. If you are on channel <c> it will be diverted to the current window, possibly removing channel <c> from another window.                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| BALANCE       | Causes all windows to resize so they are as close as possible to evenly sized.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| SCROLL <f>    | Where <f> is ON, OFF, or TOGGLE. This controls scrolling for the current window.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| HOLD_MODE <f> | Where <f> is ON, OFF, or TOGGLE. This controls hold mode for the current window.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| LEVEL <L>     | Where <L> is a comma separated list of one of the following: CRAP, PUBLIC, MSG, NOTICE, WALL, WALLOP, NOTE, ALL, or NONE. This controls what types of messages will go to the current window.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| LOG <f>       | Where <f> is ON, OFF, or TOGGLE. This turns on logging for the current window only. The logfile name is created from the current setting of the LOGFILE variable and the name of the window channel, query user, or simply the word "Window" with the windows internal reference number added to the end. For example, if LOGFILE is set to "IrcLog", and you are on channel "+Har", the log file for the window will be "IrcLog.+Har". |
| NAME s        | Sets the "name" for the window to s. This name may now be used in place of the refnum assigned by IRCII                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| PROMPT s      | Sets the input prompt for the window. It will replace                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |

\$T as the window target when used in the INPUT\_PROMPT variable. The window prompt is set automatically when EXEC detects a prompt from a process.

NOTIFY Toggles notification for the current window when it is invisible. If set to ON, the first text written to the window after it is hidden will cause a line to be displayed in the current window at that time.

BACK Set the current window to the previous current window

MOVE n Moves the current window n positions on the screen. MOVE 1 will move the current window down 1 on the screen. Window proportions are maintained using MOVE

REFNUM r Change the current window to the window with refnum r

HIDE Make the current window "hidden". It still exists in every way except it takes up no space on the screen.

SHOW r Makes the hidden window with refnum r visible again and make it the current window. If the window is already visible, just make it the current window.

SWAP r Swaps the current window with the hidden window with refnum r. The proportions of the window are maintained.

ADD n Adds n to window namelist, where n is either a nick or channel name. All communication with n will go to that window. Also, n may be a comma separated list (no spaces).

LIST Show a list of all windows.

PUSH Push the current window onto the window stack.

POP Pop the top window off the window stack making it the current window. If it is hidden, the make it visible first.

STACK Show all the windows in the window stack.

HIDE\_OTHERS This hides all visible windows but the current window.

KILL\_OTHERS This kills all visible windows but the current window.

LASTLOG\_LEVEL <L> Where <L> is the same as for LEVEL, this controls what types of messages displayed in the current window should be saved to the windows lastlog.

SERVER <s:n:p> This allows you to specify a different server to connect to for the current window. The <s:n:p> refers to the servername, portnumber, and password. The portnum and password are optional. If you are already connected to the specified server, the window will switch to that server. Doing a /WINDOW with no parameters shows you what server is associated with it. See HELP SERVER for more about this.

The <L> parameters for LEVEL and LASTLOG\_LEVEL are described more fully in SET LASTLOG\_LEVEL.

The settings of the system variables SCROLL and HOLD\_MODE are used as defaults for new windows created. Executing a SET SCROLL or SET HOLD\_MODE will change the settings for the current window as well.

The "current window" is denoted by "^^^^^^^^^^" in the status line for that window. You can switch the current window by activating the key functions PREVIOUS\_WINDOW or NEXT\_WINDOW . These are bound, by default, to ^Xp and ^Xn, respectively.

Each window can have the conversation of a channel going to

it, which can be specified by either using WINDOW CHANNEL <c> or by executing the JOIN or CHANNEL commands in a window. Each window can also have it's own QUERY user. When QUERYing someone in a window, all conversation with that person is directed to that window.

No information is ever lost. Anything that doesn't otherwise have a specific window to go to (because it is a window's current channel or QUERY user) will either go to the current window, or the window who's LEVEL setting contains an appropriate type for that message. By default, the first window created has a LEVEL of ALL, meaning that all messages will go to that window unless otherwise specified. This includes all output from NAMES, LIST, WHO, etc. These things fall under the CRAP category for LEVEL. If you want, for example, these messages to go to your current window, you can do this in the original window:

```
WINDOW LEVEL ALL,-CRAP
```

Now, all "crap" will go to your current window, while all private messages, walls, wallops, mail, and notices will go to the root window.

## 1.84 Output a given text

Usage: XECHO [flags] <text>

XECHO is like ECHO , except that it takes flag arguments.

Flags:

-LEVEL <level> displays the message with the specified lastlog level. This is useful to chane the window some messages are displayed in. This is the only way to generate a message with the USERLOG1-4 lastlog levels.

See Also:

ECHO  
ON  
SET DISPLAY

## 1.85 Help on ALIAS-Commands

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ALIAS            FUNCTIONS        QUOTE            SPECIAL        WIDTH

## 1.86 Help on BIND-commands

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| BIND                 | KEYS               | EXAMPLES            |
|----------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| BACKSPACE            | BACKWARD_CHARACTER | BACKWARD_HISTORY    |
| BACKWARD_WORD        | BEGINNING_OF_LINE  | CLEAR_SCREEN        |
| COMMAND_COMPLETION   | DELETE_CHARACTER   | DELETE_NEXT_WORD    |
| DELETE_PREVIOUS_WORD | END_OF_LINE        | ERASE_LINE          |
| ERASE_TO_END_OF_LINE | FORWARD_CHARACTER  | FORWARD_HISTORY     |
| FORWARD_WORD         | HELP_CHARACTER     | META1_CHARACTER     |
| META2_CHARACTER      | NEXT_WINDOW        | NOTHING             |
| PARSE_COMMAND        | PREVIOUS_WINDOW    | QUIT_IRC            |
| QUOTE_CHARACTER      | REFRESH_SCREEN     | SELF_INSERT         |
| SEND_LINE            | STOP_IRC           | SWITCH_CHANNEL      |
| TOGGLE_INSERT_MODE   | TOGGLE_STOP_SCREEN | TRANPOSE_CHARACTER  |
| TYPE_TEXT            | UNSTOP_ALL_WINDOWS | YANK_FROM_CUTBUFFER |

## 1.87 Help on CTCP-commands

```
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*****
```

```
CLIENTINFO  CTCP
```

## 1.88 Help on DCC-commands

```
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*****
```

```
CHAT          CLOSE          DCC          GET          LIST          RENAME
SEND          TALK           TMSG
```

## 1.89 Help on IRC II in general

```
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*****
```

```
ARGUMENTS    COPYRIGHT    ENV-VARS    IRC II    PROGRAMMING
SERVERLIST   STATUSLINE
```

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## 1.90 Help on LOAD-commands and files

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*****
```

```
ACTION      LALIAS      BASICAL      BRC          COLUMNS
COMMANDER   CURSOR      DEUTSCH     ENGLISH     EVENTS
```

|         |         |          |        |        |
|---------|---------|----------|--------|--------|
| FINGER  | FNET    | IRCRC    | LOAD   | LOCAL  |
| MSG     | MUDLIKE | OPER     | PREFIX | REPEAT |
| SERVICE | SILENT  | SUGGESTS | WINDOW |        |

## 1.91 Help on NOTE-commands

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|        |         |         |      |         |
|--------|---------|---------|------|---------|
| CAT    | CHANNEL | COUNT   | DENY | FIND    |
| FLAG   | LOG     | LS      | NOTE | PLOG    |
| RM     | SAVE    | SEND    | SENT | SPY     |
| STATS  | USER    | WAITFOR | WALL | WALLOPS |
| WHOWAS |         |         |      |         |

## 1.92 Help on ON-commands

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ON ON: DETAILS

|               |                 |             |                |
|---------------|-----------------|-------------|----------------|
| CHANNEL_NICK  | CHANNEL_SIGNOFF | CONNECT     | CTCP           |
| CTCP_REPLY    | DCC_CHAT        | DISCONNECT  | EXEC           |
| EXEC_ERRORS   | EXEC_EXIT       | EXEC_PROMPT | FLOOD          |
| HELP          | IDLE            | INPUT       | INVITE         |
| JOIN          | LEAVE           | LIST        | MAIL           |
| MODE          | MSG             | MSG_GROUP   | NAMES          |
| NICKNAME      | NOTE            | NOTICE      | NOTIFY_SIGNOFF |
| NOTIFY_SIGNON | NUMERIC         | PUBLIC      | PUBLIC_MSG     |
| PUBLIC_NOTICE | PUBLIC_OTHER    | RAW_IRC     | SEND_DCC_CHAT  |
| SEND_MSG      | SEND_NOTICE     | SEND_PUBLIC | SEND_TALK      |
| SERVER_NOTICE | SIGNOFF         | TALK        | TIMER          |
| TOPIC         | WALL            | WALLOP      | WHO            |
| WINDOW        | WINDOW_KILL     |             |                |

## 1.93 Help on SET-commands

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SET

|                      |                    |               |
|----------------------|--------------------|---------------|
| ALWAYS_SPLIT_BIGGEST | AUTO_UNMARK_AWAY   | AUTO_WHOWAS   |
| BEEP                 | BEEP_MAX           | BEEP_ON_MSG   |
| BEEP_WHEN_AWAY       | CHANNEL_NAME_WIDTH | CLOCK         |
| CLOCK_24HOUR         | CLOCK_ALARM        | CMDCHARS      |
| COMMAND_MODE         | CONTINUED_LINE     | DISPLAY       |
| ENCRYPT_PROGRAM      | EXEC_PROTECTION    | FLOOD_AFTER   |
| FLOOD_RATE           | FLOOD_USERS        | FLOOD_WARNING |
| FLOOD_STATUS_LINE    | HELP_PAGER         | HELP_WINDOW   |

|                       |                  |                       |
|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| HIDE_PRIVATE_CHANNELS | HISTORY          | HISTORY_FILE          |
| HOLD_MODE             | HOLD_MODE_MAX    | INDENT                |
| INPUT_ALIASES         | INPUT_PROMPT     | INSERT_MODE           |
| INVERSE_VIDEO         | LASTLOG          | LASTLOG_LEVEL         |
| LOG                   | LOGFILE          | MAIL                  |
| MINIMUM_SERVER        | MINIMUM_USERS    | NOTIFY_ON_TERMINATION |
| NOVICE                | PAUSE_AFTER_MOTD | SCROLL                |
| SCROLL_LINES          | SEND_IGNORE_MSG  | SHELL                 |
| SHELL_FLAGS           | SHELL_LIMIT      | SHOW_CHANNEL_NAMES    |
| SHOW_END_OF_MSGS      | SHOW_NUMERICCS   | STATUS_AWAY           |
| STATUS_CHANNEL        | STATUS_CLOCK     | STATUS_DQUERY         |
| STATUS_FORMAT         | STATUS_HOLD      | STATUS_INSERT         |
| STATUS_MAIL           | STATUS_MODE      | STATUS_NOTIFY         |
| STATUS_OPER           | STATUS_OVERWRITE | STATUS_QUERY          |
| STATUS_SERVER         | STATUS_USER      | STATUS_WINDOW         |
| SUPPRESS_SERVER_MOTD  |                  |                       |
| WARN_OF_IGNORES       |                  |                       |

## 1.94 Sets an alias

Usage: ALIAS [-][alias] [commands]

Creates a command alias for [commands]. Commands do not need to be prefixed with a command character, in fact they shouldn't!

If you want an alias to type something to the channel or query use SEND or SAY. You can use ';' to put multiple commands in a row.

Special character sequences, usually ircII variables, are prefixed with '\$'. There are certain \$ sequences built in to IRCII for getting such information as your nickname and current channel, plus you can expand your own variables and system variables using the \$ format. You can also expand functions, substituting their return values. See ASSIGN for more on this.

Here are some simple alias examples:

```
/ALIAS HELLO MSG $0 Hello, $0! $1-
```

This alias can be used by typing:

```
/HELLO BigCheese How are you?
```

This would act as though you had typed:

```
/MSG BigCheese Hello, BigCheese! How are you?
```

ALIAS with just the [alias] argument shows the current alias for that word. ALIAS with no argument shows all current aliases. To remove an alias, use ALIAS -[alias].

To use more than one command in an alias, separate them by \n.

For more specific information about the \$ uses and more examples, see the specific help files listed below.

See Also:

```
SET INPUT_ALIASES
SEND
SAY
IRCIIPROGRAMMING
ASSIGN
```

## 1.95 Alias/IRC II-functions

### IRCII Functions

IRCII functions are substituted with the format `;%FUNCTION(arguments)`. A function is an ALIAS which assigns a value to `FUNCTION_RETURN`.

For example:

```
/ALIAS DOUBLE assign FUNCTION_RETURN ${($0+$0)}
/ALIAS SHOWDOUBLE echo %DOUBLE($0)
```

will cause

```
/SHOWDOUBLE 7
```

to display "14".

The following built-in functions already exist and cannot be overridden:

|                                      |                                                                                                                               |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>LEFT(COUNT STRING)</code>      | Returns the COUNT leftmost bytes from the STRING.                                                                             |
| <code>RIGHT(COUNT STRING)</code>     | Returns the COUNT rightmost bytes from the STRING.                                                                            |
| <code>MID(INDEX COUNT STRING)</code> | Returns COUNT bytes starting at position INDEX in STRING.                                                                     |
| <code>INDEX(CHARLIST STRING)</code>  | Returns the index to the first character in STRING which appears in CHARLIST.                                                 |
| <code>RINDEX(CHARLIST STRING)</code> | Returns the index to the last character in STRING which appears in CHARLIST.                                                  |
| <code>TIME()</code>                  | Returns the current system time as a long integer                                                                             |
| <code>STIME(TIMEVAL)</code>          | Returns the date and time in English that corresponds to the long integer TIMEVAL.                                            |
| <code>RAND(LIMIT)</code>             | Returns a random number x such that $0 \leq x < \text{LIMIT}$                                                                 |
| <code>SRAND(SEED)</code>             | Seeds the random number generator and returns nothing. The seed may be a long integer, although only the low integer is used. |

NOTE The argument separator for functions is the space character, not the comma.

## 1.96 Quoting modifier

### ALIAS MODIFIER:

This is a special quoting modifier. Use of this modifier tells IRCII that you wish certain characters in the converted text to be quoted using the `\` character. The form of this modifier is:

```
/$^c<sequence>
```

where `c` is the character to be quoted, and `<sequence>` is one of the special sequences. For example, you may wish to do the following:

```
/alias foo /if 1 "/echo $^"*"
```

and you do:

```
/foo "This is a Test"
```

Since `$` expressions are parsed first, the `$^"*` is the first thing parsed. The `^"` part tells IRCII to quote and `"` in the resultant string. So, the `$^"*` is expanded just like `$*` and becomes:

```
"This is a Test"
```

and the `^"` causes it to quote all `"`, which becomes:

```
\ "This is a Test\"
```

This is then replaced in the original alias for parsing, so `/foo` becomes:

```
/if 1 "/echo \"This is a test\""
```

Notice that the `\` won't interfere with the parsing of the `"` in the

IF statement.

The ^ modifier must be first after the \$. You may specify more than one character to be quoted simply by adding more ^c to the expression:

```
$^^^B
```

will quote all occurrences of " and ' in the body of the last message you received.

Remember, you can use both forms of modifiers, but they must be in the correct order. All ^ modifiers must be first, followed by any [] modifier. For example:

```
$^.[-10]S
```

This will right justify your server name and quote any . in the server name with \.

See Also:

ALIASWIDTH

## 1.97 Special character sequences for ALIAS

Special character sequences for ALIAS:

All special character sequences begin with a \$. In their simplest form, the following have special meaning in aliases:

`$*` Expands to the rest of the arguments on the command line.

`$n` Where n is a non-negative number, expands to the nth arg.

`$n-m` Where n and m are non-negative numbers, expands to the nth thru mth arguments inclusive.

`$n-` Where n is a non-negative number, expands from the nth argument to the end of the argument list.

`-$m` Where m is a non-negative number, expands from the beginning of the argument list to the mth argument. This is the same as `$0-m`.

`$,` Expands to the nickname of the last person who send you a /MSG

`$.` Expands to the nickname of the last person to whom you sent a /MSG

`$variable` Expands to the value of one of the following:

- 1) Matching ASSIGN'd variable
- 2) Matching IRCII SET variable
- 3) Matching environment variable
- 4) Nothing

It checks in the order shown. Thus, if 1 doesn't match, 2 is tried. If 2 doesn't match, 3 is tried, etc.

See ASSIGN for more details.

`$"Prompt"` Will prompt you (using the text between the double quotes) for input which will be replaced in the alias.

`$(sub-alias)` This expands out the sub-aliases, then uses that result in place of the (sub-alias) expression. For example `$(S)` will first expand `$0...` suppose it expands to S. Then it replaces that in the original text, giving you `$$`, which is then expanded to the name of your current server.

`!history!` This expands to a matching entry in your command history. The text between the ! may contain wildcards.

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\$: Expands to the nickname of the last person to join your channel  
 \$; Expands to the nickname of the last person to send a public message to your channel  
 \$A Expands to the text of your AWAY message  
 \$B Expands to the body of the last MSG you sent.  
 \$\$ Expands to the name of your server  
 \$Q Expands to the nickname of the person you are QUERYing.  
 \$C Expands to your current channel  
 \$T Expands to the 'target' of your input (either a QUERY nick or a current channel)  
 \$N Expands to your nickname  
 \$K Expands to the current value of CMDCHAR. Useful to have aliases work even when you change CMDCHAR.  
 \$I Expands to the name of the channel to which you were last INVITED  
 \$\$ Expands to the name of the server you are on  
 \$L Expands to the current contents of the input line  
 \$Z Expands to the time of day  
 \$A Expands to your current AWAY message  
 \* \$O Expands to the value of STATUS\_OPER if you are currently an operator  
 \$P Expands to "@" if you are a chanop on the current channel  
 \$D Expands to the nickname of the person whose sign-on was last detected by the NOTIFY mechanism.  
 \$\$ Expands to \$

Argument to aliases will automatically be appended to the expanded alias unless you use one of the following forms in the alias:

```

$*
$n
$n-m
$m-
$n-
$(sub-alias)

```

If one of these forms is used in the alias arguments are not appended.

For example:

```
/ALIAS M /MSG
```

will be treated as:

```
/ALIAS M /MSG $*
```

However,

```
/ALIAS M /MSG $O $1-
```

will not have the arguments appended. If you have an alias and you wish to prevent arguments from being appended, add \$() to the alias. The \$() with nothing between the parenthesis expands to nothing and prevents arguments from being appended.

Any alias may be surrounded by {}s so that it can be imbedded within another string. For example:

```
a${N}a
```

will expand to (assuming your nickname is BigCheese):

```
aBigCheesea
```

Aliases are automatically delimited by certain characters. For example:

```
"$N"
```

expands to:

```
"BigCheese"
```

## 1.98 Width-modifier

### ALIAS MODIFIER:

This modifier is a width specifier for any of the forms of alias. This is done by placing [<width>] after the \$ (and after and ^c expressions). For example:

```
#[10]C
```

This expands to your current channel, but it will truncate any characters beyond 10 in the channel name. If the channel is less than 10 characters, it will be padded on the right with blanks. Specifying a negative width will justify the field on the right and pad on the left with blanks. A width of 0 is treated as though no width specifier was used. If you get real tricky, you can do things like this:

```
#[[$CHANNEL_NAME_WIDTHHD]C)
```

The value of the IRCII variable CHANNEL\_NAME\_WIDTH will be expanded in the \$() expression. If CHANNEL\_NAME\_WIDTH is 10, this will result in #[10]C which will then expand as described above.

Remember, you can use both forms of modifiers, but they must be in the correct order. All ^ modifiers must be first, followed by any [] modifier. For example:

```
#[^.[-10]S
```

This will right justify your server name and quote any . in the server name with \.

See Also:

ALIAS QUOTE

## 1.99 Bind a keystroke (-sequence) to an IRC function

Usage: BIND [key] [function] [string]

Binds a keystroke sequence to an IRC function. The QUOTE\_CHARACTER key (by default ^Q) may be used to override any key binding and have IRC insert the actual value of the key in the input line.

See Also:

BIND KEYS for information on allowable [key] parameters  
 BIND EXAMPLES for some examples.  
 BIND-Functions Overview for help on individual key binding functions

## 1.100 Some examples about BIND

The following are allowable key sequences for use with the BIND function:

```
c           where c is any key (case sensitive)
^c         where c is one of A thru Z or ? or [ or ]
METAn-c   where n is 1 or 2 and c is the same as the
           first form above
METAn-^c  where n is 1 or 2 and c is the same as the
           second form above
```

`mc` where `m` has been previously bound to `META1_CHARACTER` or `META2_CHARACTER` and `c` is the same as the first form above. `m` may be either of the first two forms above (`m` or `^m`).

`m^c` where `m` has been previously bound to `META1_CHARACTER` or `META2_CHARACTER` and `c` is the same as the second form above. `m` may be either of the first two forms above (`m` or `^m`).

## 1.101 Backspace

Usage: `BIND <key> BACKSPACE`

The `BACKSPACE` function deletes the character to the left of the cursor and moves the cursor one space to the left. If the cursor is at the first position in the input line, `BACKSPACE` has no effect.

## 1.102 Cursor backward

Usage: `BIND <key> BACKWARD_CHARACTER`

The `BACKWARD_CHARACTER` function moves the cursor one space to the left. If the cursor is at the first character in the input buffer, this function has no effect.

## 1.103 Backward in history

Usage: `BIND <key> BACKWARD_HISTORY`

Replaces the contents of the input buffer with the previous command in the command history buffer. The command history buffer is a circular buffer that wraps at the end.

## 1.104 Backward one word

Usage: `BIND <key> BACKWARD_WORD`

Moves the cursor to the first character of the previous word. If the cursor is in the middle of a word, the cursor is moved to the first character of the same word. If the cursor is on the first character of a word or on whitespace, the cursor is moved to the first character of the previous word.

## 1.105 Beginning of line

Usage: BIND <key> BEGINNING\_OF\_LINE

Moves the cursor to the first character in the input buffer.

This need not be the first character visible on the screen, since the input buffer wraps when the line gets too long. This is always the first characters in the input buffer.

## 1.106 Clear screen

Usage: BIND <key> CLEAR\_SCREEN

This function will clear the display and restart a screen that has been stopped by HOLD\_MODE or by the TOGGLE\_STOP\_SCREEN function.

## 1.107 Complete a command

Usage: BIND <key> COMMAND\_COMPLETION

The COMMAND\_COMPLETION function will cause IRCII to attempt to complete the command you have typed in the input line. If a match is found, it is expanded to its full length in the input line. If multiple matches are found, the complete list of matching commands is displayed. If no match is found, the input line is left unchanged.

## 1.108 Delete character

Usage: BIND <key> DELETE\_CHARACTER

Deletes the character under the cursor. The cursor is not moved by this operation. If the cursor is at the end of the input buffer, this function has no effect.

## 1.109 Delete next word

Usage: BIND <key> DELETE\_NEXT\_WORD

Deletes from the cursor position to the end of the next word.

If the cursor is in the middle of a word, all characters from the cursor position to the end of the word are deleted. If the cursor is on whitespace, all following whitespace up through the end of the next word is deleted.

## 1.110 Delete previous word

Usage: BIND <key> DELETE\_PREVIOUS\_WORD

Deletes to the beginning of the previous word. If the cursor is in the middle of a word, all characters from the left of the cursor to the beginning of the word. If the cursor is on whitespace, all whitespace through to the beginning of the previous word are deleted.

### 1.111 End of line

Usage: BIND <key> END\_OF\_LINE

Moves the cursor to the last character of the input buffer.

### 1.112 Erase line

Usage: BIND <key> ERASE\_LINE

Erases the contents of the input buffer, leaving it very empty.

### 1.113 Erase to end of line

Usage: BIND <key> ERASE\_TO\_END\_OF\_LINE

Erases from the cursor position to the end of the input buffer.

### 1.114 Cursor forward

Usage: BIND <key> FORWARD\_CHARACTER

Moves the cursor to the right one position. If the cursor is at the end of the input buffer, this function has no effect.

### 1.115 Forward in history

Usage: BIND <key> FORWARD\_HISTORY

Replaces the contents of the input buffer with the next entry in the command history buffer. The command history buffer is circular and wraps at the end.

### 1.116 Forward one word

Usage: BIND <key> FORWARD\_WORD

Moves the cursor to the end of the next word. If the cursor is in the middle of a word, it is moved to the end of that word. If the cursor is already at the end of a word or on whitespace, it is moved to the end of the next word.

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## 1.117 Help on currently entered command

Usage: BIND <key> HELP\_CHARACTER

This shows help on the current input buffer without disturbing the contents of the buffer. It is as though you had typed /HELP followed by whatever is in the input buffer.

## 1.118 Set META1-character

Usage: BIND <key> META1\_CHARACTER

This function switches to an "alternate" keymap. That is, after this character is hit, the next key hit can have a new definition. This is how the Escape sequences are done. In fact, the escape key's default binding is META1\_CHARACTER. For example:

```
BIND ^X META1_CHARACTER
```

binds this function to ^X. You may then bind meta key sequences with either of the two following formats:

```
BIND ^X? HELP_CHARACTER
```

or

```
BIND META1-? HELP_CHARACTER
```

## 1.119 Set META2-character

Usage: BIND <key> META2\_CHARACTER

This function switches to an "alternate" keymap. That is, after this character is hit, the next key hit can have a new definition. This is how the Escape sequences are done. In fact, the escape key's default binding is META1\_CHARACTER. For example:

```
BIND ^X META2_CHARACTER
```

binds this function to ^X. You may then bind meta key sequences with either of the two following formats:

```
BIND ^X? HELP_CHARACTER
```

or

```
BIND META2-? HELP_CHARACTER
```

## 1.120 Go to next window

Usage: BIND <key> NEXT\_WINDOW

Switches the "current window" to be the next window in the window list. This is the window "below" the current window on the screen. At the bottom of the screen, this will jump to the top most window on the screen.

## 1.121 Do nothing

Usage: BIND <key> NOTHING

The NOTHING function does nothing. Effectively, it disables the key it is bound to (to which it is bound for you grammatical types).

## 1.122 Execute an command

Usage: BIND <key> PARSE\_COMMAND <string>

The PARSE\_COMMAND function cause the supplied string to be executed as an ircII command (or alias). It doesn't need to be prefixed by the command character. This function does not disturb the contents of the input line and is not added to the command history. You may also include any of the special \$ sequences available in ALIAS and they will be expanded before the line is parsed. The sequences that deal with command line arguments (\$\*, \$n, \$-n) are expanded as though there were no command line arguments.

See Also:

ALIAS

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## 1.123 Go to previous window

Usage: BIND <key> PREVIOUS\_WINDOW

Switches the "current window" to be the previous window in the window list. This is the window "above" the current window on the screen. At the top of the screen, this will jump to the bottom most window on the screen.

## 1.124 Exit IRC

Usage: BIND <key> QUIT\_IRC

Exit irc and return to whatever excuse for a shell you're using. Sorry. Didn't mean that.

## 1.125 Quote character

Usage: BIND <key> QUOTE\_CHARACTER

This function "quotes" the next key hit. What this really means is that it overrides the key binding for the next key and forces it to insert itself into the input buffer. For example, if you have Control D bound to delete character, and you hit the quote character (defaults to Control Q) then Control D, it will insert a Control D (shows up as an inverse video D) and does not delete the character. Got it?

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## 1.126 Refresh screen

Usage: BIND <key> REFRESH\_SCREEN

This redraws the screen, in case some other nasty program has munged it up.

## 1.127 Insert a character

Usage: BIND <key> SELF\_INSERT

Causes the key it is bound to to insert itself into the input buffer. This is the default binding for the alphabet keys, numbers, etc. If this is bound to a meta sequence, it will only insert the last key hit in the meta sequence.

## 1.128 Send line

Usage: BIND <key> SEND\_LINE

This "sends" the input buffer to the server. Well, really it first expands aliases, etc... but you get the idea. It is normally bound to the return key or enter key... or both.

## 1.129 Stop IRC (go to shell)

Usage: BIND <key> STOP\_IRC

Sends a Stop signal to IRC II, returning you to the shell. Normally, you can then return to IRC II by typing fg. Please read about your shell to find out about this.

## 1.130 Switch channel(s)

Usage: BIND <key> SWITCH\_CHANNELS

Changes the current channel for the current window. This will only switch to a channel not currently directed to another window. That is, if you are on three channels, #Foo, #Bar, and #Cheese, and #Foo and #Bar are currently directed to two windows but #Cheese isn't, then SWITCH\_CHANNELS will only toggle between #Cheese and either #Foo or #Bar (depending upon which window this is done in)

## 1.131 Toggle insert-mode

Usage: BIND <key> TOGGLE\_INSERT\_MODE

Toggles the INSERT\_MODE variable. This function is equivalent to doing:

```
/SET INSERT_MODE TOGGLE
```

---

### 1.132 Toggle stop screen

Usage: BIND <key> TOGGLE\_STOP\_SCREEN

Stops and starts the screen display if it is scrolling madly out of your control. The display is also restarted after the SEND\_LINE function is executed.

### 1.133 Swaps two characters

Usage: BIND <key> TRANSPOSE\_CHARACTERS

Swaps the two characters before the cursor. That's all.

### 1.134 Type text into input buffer

Usage: BIND <key> TYPE\_TEXT <string>

Causes the given string to be typed into the input buffer using the current setting of the INSERT\_MODE variable.

### 1.135 Unstop all windows

Usage: BIND <key> UNSTOP\_ALL\_WINDOWS

When activated, all currently stopped windows will be restarted.

### 1.136 Restores the last deleted thing

Usage: BIND <key> YANK\_FROM\_CUTBUFFER

Restores the last deleted thing. The following functions store what they deleted to the cutbuffer:

```
DELETE_NEXT_WORD
DELETE_PREVIOUS_WORD
ERASE_LINE
ERASE_TO_END_OF_LINE
```

### 1.137 Examples of BIND

Here are some examples of the BIND function:

```
/BIND ^X META2_CHARACTER
```

Makes control X a meta key.

```
/BIND ^Xl parse LIST
```

Binds the meta sequence control X followed by l to perform a /LIST. This binding is only valid if ^X was previously bound to a meta function (as was done in the first example).

```
/BIND META1-u BACKWARD_HISTORY
```

by default, the escape key is bound to META1\_CHARACTER, so this

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binding makes the escape u key sequence show the last command history entry. Note that more than one key may be bound to \*any\* function.

```
/BIND ! type Bang!
```

This binds the ! (exclamation mark) to type the word "Bang!" into the input line whenever it is hit.

## 1.138 Shows you the known CTCP commands from a client

```
Usage: /ctcp <nick> CLIENTINFO
       CLIENTINFO <CTCP_COMMAND>
```

CLIENTINFO returns the known CTCP commands from the other client in a list.

You can inspect commands further by calling 'CLIENTINFO VERSION' for example. You will (or should) be given a one-line explanation of what this command is supposed to do.

To find out about your own's client services execute a CLIENTINFO on yourself.

Warning: Some CTCP commands are not supposed to be sent by hand, in particular ERRMSG, DCC, SED and ACTION.

## 1.139 Client-to-client-protocol

```
Usage: CTCP <nickname> <command> [args]
```

CTCP allows you access to the client-to-client protocol used to perform certain client specific actions between different clients on the network. The CTCP mechanism works by sending a specially coded message to another user whose client is supposed to reply with a reply message of the type, or with an error message, unless you sent it to a channel.

For example, if you do:

```
/CTCP BigCheese VERSION
```

you will receive:

```
*** CTCP REPLY VERSION from BigCheese: IRCII 2.1 Unix
```

The <command> field may be of several types, new ones are introduced all the time, but there is a mechanism for you to find out what you can use: see CLIENTINFO.

See Also:

```
CTCPCLIENTINFO
ON CTCP
ON CTCP_REPLY
```

## 1.140 Initiate a DCC chat-connection

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Usage: DCC CHAT NICK

DCC CHAT initiates a direct client connection chat to the given nick, who must respond with DCC CHAT. This is the most secure form of communication available on IRC. Messages sent via a DCC CHAT connection are not sent through IRC, but are sent by a direct connection between your client and the remote client. Messages are sent over a DCC CHAT connection with DMSG

See Also:

DMSG

## 1.141 Close a DCC connection

Usage: DCC CLOSE type nick [arguments]

DCC CLOSE closes an unwanted DCC connection or offer. The type, nick and arguments are the same as those shown by DCC LIST. If the arguments are not specified, the oldest connection of the specified type is closed.

See Also:

DCC LIST

DCC RENAME

## 1.142 Direct client client connection

Usage: DCC FUNCTION [ARGUMENTS]

DCC handles direct connections to remote clients. The behaviour of DCC is determined by the FUNCTION specified.

See Also:

DMSG

## 1.143 Transfer a file

Usage: DCC GET nick filename

DCC GET accepts a file transfer by direct client connection. The sender must first have offered the file with DCC SEND.

See Also:

DCC RENAME

DCC SEND

## 1.144 List DCC connections

Usage: DCC LIST

DCC LIST lists all the current DCC connections showing the type of connection, the nick of the person on the other end of the connection, the current state of that connection and any other information associated with that connection.

See Also:

DCC CLOSE

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## 1.145 Rename a DCC-Get

Usage: DCC RENAME nick [filename1] filename2

DCC RENAME renames a file prior to a DCC GET from filename1 to filename2. If filename1 is not specified, the oldest file connection to the given nick is renamed.

See Also:

DCC GET  
DCC LIST

## 1.146 Transfer a file

Usage: DCC SEND nick filename

DCC SEND initiates a file transfer by direct client connection. The recipient must accept your offer of a file transfer with DCC GET.

See Also:

DCC GET

## 1.147 DCC-talk-connection to a user

Usage: DCC TALK user[@host]

DCC TALK initiates a talk connection to the user at the named host, or responds to one initiated by that user if one exists. Messages are sent across a DCC TALK connection with DCC TMSG

See Also:

DCC CHAT  
DCC TMSG

## 1.148 Send a message across a DCC-talk-connection

Usage: DCC TMSG user[@host]

DCC TMSG sends a message across a talk connection to the given user. If only one connection with the given username exists, the host need not be supplied.

See Also:

DMSG  
MSG  
DCC TALK

## 1.149 IRC II - Arguments

The [switches]:

-c <channel> joins <channel> at startup. If not specified, you start at channel 0.  
-p <port> default server connection port (usually 6667). This default port number can be over-riden by

- specifying a port number in the server list (see below) or using the SERVER command (see SERVER).
- f your terminal uses flow controls (^S/^Q), so IRCII shouldn't use those functions. You may want to rebind ^Q and ^S so you can still use those functions. ^Q is usually bound to QUOTE\_CHARACTER, and ^S is usually bound to TOGGLE\_STOP\_SCREEN. See BIND about this.
  - F your terminal doesn't use flow control (default). Opposite of -f, forces IRCII to take over ^Q/^S.
  - s Start IRCII without using the server process (ircserv) even if it can find it. This is useful for use with irciid and automatons which don't need the separate process (since they never ^Z).
  - d runs IRCII in "dumb" terminal mode. IRCII then uses no fancy screen stuff or fancy input editing. All output goes to stdout, and all input is read from stdin. Input editing is only done by your tty (if any). No IRCII keybinding have any effect in dumb mode.
  - l <file> loads <file> in place of your .ircrc
  - a adds default servers and command line servers to server list. Normally, if you specify servers on the command line, the IRCSERVER and default server are not added to the server list. This forces all servers known to be added. The order in which servers appear in you server list are as follows:
    1. command line servers (from left to right)
    2. IRCSERVER servers (from left to right)
    3. Default IRCII servers
  - b runs IRCII in dumb mode but accepts no user input. This is useful for automatons written totally under IRCII which you wish to run in the background. IRCII will automatically fork into the background with this switch (unless -n is used).
  - n Prevents IRCII from forking into the background with either the -b or -e switches..
  - e <process arg list> runs IRCII by reading stdin from <process> and sending stdout to <process>. All other args are passed to <process>, so this must be the last switch. IRCII will fork into the background unless -n is used.

## 1.150 IRC II - Copyright

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## 1.151 IRC II - Environment Variables

The following environment variables are recognized by IRCII.

```
IRCNICK   - Specifies your default irc nickname
IRCNAME   - Specifies any lunacy you want instead of your real name
IRCSERVER - Specifies a default server list for IRCII
IRCPATH   - Specifies a list of directories IRCII should search when
            the /LOAD command is used to find IRCII scripts.
IRCRC     - Specifies a file to use instead of your $HOME/.ircrc.
TERM      - Specifies your terminal type
HOME      - Tells IRCII where your home directory is
```

## 1.152 About IRC II...

IRCII is a termcap based interface to the IRC Network. All commands to IRCII begin with a '/' (or whatever your current CMDCHAR is set to, see HELP SET CMDCHAR). Any other text you type on the command line is sent directly to the channel you are on.

```
IRCII may be ftp'ed from plod.cbme.unsw.oz.au [129.94.128.121]
                        or freebie.engin.umich.edu [141.212.68.23]
                        or ftp.informatik.uni-oldenburg.de [134.106.1.9]
```

Send bug reports, comments, or questions to  
Troy Rollo (troy@plod.cbme.unsw.oz.au)  
or to the IRCII mailing list  
+dist+~ms5n/src/irc/IRCII.dl@andrew.cmu.edu  
or to Troy on irc.

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## 1.153 About programming in IRC II

This is about programming in ircII, because ircII is not a client program, it's an operating system.. :) And the language is just as simple as SMAIL (that is: it is horrendous) but if you want to get into it, here's a little note for you:

The command character (usually '/') is only necessary when you type commands interactively, when you program things it is no more needed, it used to be though. If you want to type to the channel from within an alias, on or binding, you have to use SAY or SEND.

The `';` has a special meaning in aliases, bindings and ons: It is treated as command separator, that means you can execute multiple commands in a row separated by semicolons. The semicolons are not considered separators when you use them interactively (to be able to type `;-)`) and within an ircII script file. You can escape the meaning of `;` in an alias with `\;`.

-lynX

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## 1.154 IRC II - Serverlist

The formats of an IRCII server list is as follows:

```
servername
servername:portnum
servername:portnum:password
servername::password
```

The `servername` is the name of the server, the `portnum` is the port number of that server to connect to, and the `password` is a connection password for that server. The first format above uses the default port number and no password. The second format specifies a port number for connection to the specified server and no password. The third format specifies both a port number and password for connection. The final format uses a password and the default port number.

And, since we call these "server lists", you may specify as many of the above formats as you wish. These may be used on the IRCII command line (See `HELP IRCII COMMAND_LINE_ARGS`) and in the `IRCSERVER` environment variable (see `HELP IRCII ENVIRONMENT_VARS`).

## 1.155 IRC II - Statusline

The IRCII status line shows some important pieces of information. It shows your current nickname (with an asterisk next to it if you have OPER privs), your current channel and QUERY user (if you are QUERYing anyone), current Insert or Overwrite mode (I or O), and your AWAY status.

The status line may be customized using certain IRCII variables. Please see the following for more information on this:

```
HELP SET
HELP SET STATUS_FORMAT
HELP SET STATUS_AWAY
HELP SET STATUS_CLOCK
HELP SET STATUS_HOLD
HELP SET STATUS_INSERT
HELP SET STATUS_OVERWRITE
HELP SET STATUS_QUERY
HELP SET STATUS_USER
HELP SET STATUS_MAIL
```

HELP SET FULL\_STATUS\_LINE

## 1.156 Loads a IRC II - script

Usage: LOAD [-args] <filename> [arg0 arg1 ...]

Loads the given file into irc, treating each line as an irc command, just as if it were typed into the command line, but it expects commands to not have leading command characters, for compatibility it is however allowed. LOAD is the command used automatically at irc startup to load the .ircrc file.

In a LOAD script it is allowed to have leading spaces and tabs before the commands.

A long line, like a long alias definition, can be split over multiple lines by putting { and } around it like this:

```
alias follow {
  say sorry folks, got invited away
  join -i;bow
  say here i am especially for you
  grin
}
```

This format MUST be used, you cannot put the { in the next line and you cannot put the } elsewhere than by itself. It is also not allowed to use { { } } constructs.

If the -args flag is specified, then each line of the loaded file is alias expanded before it is executed, just as if you had INPUT\_ALIASES set to ON. The optional arguments, arg0 arg1 etc, are then used to expand the argument expandos (\$\*, \$1, \$2, etc) for each line. The -args switch takes precedent over any changes of the setting of INPUT\_ALIASES in the loaded file. If you only want to expand certain lines and not others, use the INPUT\_ALIASES variable since it too will used the arguments on the command line.

Commands seperated by ';' are not recognized by LOAD, that syntax is for ALIAS, BIND and ON only.

See Also:

SET INPUT\_ALIASES

## 1.157 Some aliases...

Usage: /LOAD action

Several Multi-User-Dungeon-like aliases are defined here. They make use of the /me command, and are transmitted to the current channel or the current query via CTCP ACTION. Old client programs might not understand this kind of

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messages.

The simple aliases (without arguments) are:

```
APPLAUD  BOUNCE  BOW  BURP
CHUCKLE  CLAP    COUGH  CRY
GASP     GIGGLE   GRIN   GROAN
LAUGH    MOAN    NOD    PURR
SCREAM   SHIVER   SHRUG  SIGH
SING     SMILE   SNAP   SNEEZE
SNORE    WAVE    WHISTLE  WIGGLE
WINK     YAWN
```

These instead, require a nickname as argument:

```
COMFORT  CUDDLE  DANCE  HUG
KISS     LOVE   POKE   SHAKE
SLAP     SPIT   THANK
```

You can also make up your own sentences with the /ME or the /DESCRIBE command. e.g. "/ME is hungry." will send "BigCheese is hungry." if you are the big cheese.

## 1.158 Some aliases...

Usage: /LOAD alias

Aliases defined here are:

```
/MA <text>  Send another message to the person you last sent one.
  Same as: /m . <text>
/MR <text>  Send a reply to the person who last sent you a msg.
  Same as: /m , <text>
/WA        Show the WHOIS of the person you last sent a message to.
/IA        Invite the person you last sent a message to.

/UNALIAS <aliasname>  An alias to unalias an alias ;- )
/UNSET <variablename> An alias to unset a set.. huh? :)
/ALARM <time>        Set the alarm of the clock.
/CLOCK <on/off>      Switch the clock.

/NO = /NOTICE to avoid collision with /NOTIFY
/LA = /LASTLOG to avoid collision with /LAUGH from ACTION
/LF = /SET LOGFILE for lazy ones..
/" = /QUOTE  "      "
```

Contributed by various ircers...

```
/IGNORELAST  ignore messages and notices from the person that last sent you a ←
  msg
/PROTECT     make your channel invite-only and writeprotected
/UNPROTECT   remove that state of protection again
/CHOPS       get a list of the channel operators on the channel
/WJOIN <channel>  join a channel and open a special window for it
/TALKTO <target>  open a window and start a query with <target> in it
/OOPS <right_person>  excuse yourself for a msg that went to the wrong person ←
  and send it
  to the person that should have got it
```

## 1.159 Some aliases...

Usage: /LOAD basical

Basical aliases are defined here, so to make ircII compatible to the old irc. This script should be loaded from the global ircrc.

However, some additional aliases are defined:

```
/CHOP <nick>      Make a person channel-op of your current channel.
/K <nick>         Kick person from current channel.
/MO <modechange> Make a mode change on the current channel.
/UNCHOP <nick>   Remove channel-operator status from person.

/WDETECTED        /Whois of the last person detected by /notify.

/H+ and /H-      Quickies for /set hold_mode on and off.
```

^r is bound to type the 'reverse' character.

Also some output representations are changed.

## 1.160 Some aliases...

Usage: /LOAD bitnet

BITNET aliases and settings are defines here to make ircII look and feel like the BITNET Relay Chat (BiRC).

Some of the BiRC commands can't be found in IRC, and some of the commands will display different outputs than those in BiRC.

The display will reassemble as much of the BiRC that is possible.

This script is version 1.20, Patchlevel 1

This script is Copyright (C) Ove Ruben R Olsen (Gnarfer)

The commands below are taken from the BiRC /Help command.

```
***** Relay Commands *****
* /BYE. . . . . Signoff from Relay
* /Channel name . . . . . Change to channel <name>
* /Contact nick | relay . . . . . Show Relay contact info
* /GETOP. . . . . Try to summon a Relay Operator
* /H. . . . . Print this list
* /HElp . . . . . Gives ircII help
* /IGNore <nickname>. . . . . Ignore a user
* /INFO . . . . . Send RELAY INFO file
* /Invite nickname. . . . . Invite user to your channel
* /LCL relay. . . . . Show users on a given Relay
* /LINKMsg <ON | OFF> . . . . . Turn link messages on or off
* /LINKs. . . . . Shows active Relays
* /List . . . . . List active channels
* /Msg nick text. . . . . Sends private message
* /Names <channel>. . . . . Show users with name
```

```

* /Nick newnick . . . . . Change your nickname
* /OPNames. . . . . .Show active operators
* /Rates. . . . . .Display message rates
* /REGISTER full name . . . . . Register full name
* /RULES. . . . . .Sends the RELAY RULES file
* /SErvers <node> . . . . . Show relays serving node
* /SIGNOFF. . . . . .Signoff from Relay
* /Signon <nick> <chan> . . . . . .Signon to Relay
* /SINce. . . . . .Show recently arrived users
* /ST . . . . . .Display Relay statistics
* /SUMmon userid@node . . . . . Invite user to Relay
* /SWho <channel> . . . . . .Show nicknames
* /TList. . . . . .List channels which have a topic
* /Topic <subject>. . . . . .Topic for your channel
* /UNIGNore nickname. . . . . .Unignore a user
* /Users. . . . . .Show number of users
* /Who <channel | *>. . . . . .Show users and nicnames
* /WHOis <nick> . . . . . .Identify a nickname
***** End of List *****

```

## 1.161 Some aliases...

Usage: /LOAD columns

A little script by BigCheese to demonstrate the usage of /echo \$[[]]. It displays all in and outgoing channel talk formatted to the 11th column.

## 1.162 Some aliases...

Usage: /LOAD commander

This file contains a big set of key bindings, one command for almost every key you have on your keyboard, prefixed by ESC. Both the ESCAPE and ` keys are defined as META1 control key, so if you do not have ESC you can use `.

To obtain a ` you must type ` twice. If you type ESCAPE twice you'll instead get the ircII command completion function.

TAB is defined as alternative META2 key, to toggle insert/overwrite mode type TAB twice. ESC-TAB clears the current window.

Here's the definition of the keys after pressing ESC or `:

```

A Prompts you for an away message, ENTER will un-away you.
C Shows you the /NAMES entry of your current channel.
D Shows the Who-list of people of your country. ( = /countrywho )
E Prompts you for the launch of an external command with /EXEC.
F Follows an invitation to a channel.
G "Greet" - Enter a query with the last person whose signon has been
detected by /notify.
H "Here" - Shows Who-list of users from your site. ( = /localwho )
I Invite the user who last sent you a message to the current channel.
J Shows the WHOIS of the person who last joined your channel.
L List of channels with at least 3 persons on unless with topic.

```

M "More" - Enter a query with the person you last sent a msg to.  
N Names list of public channels having at least 2 persons on.  
O Who-list of operators online.  
P Make your channel private.  
Q Exit a query.  
R "Reply" - Enter a query with the person who last sent you a msg.  
S Prompts you for a new server, ENTER gives a list of stored ones.  
T Prompts you for a topic for the current channel.  
U Tells you how many users and servers are on IRC.  
W Gives you the Who-list of the people on your channel.  
X "eXamine" - WHOIS of the person who last sent you a message.  
Y Toggles the SCROLL mode.  
Z Toggles the HOLD\_MODE.  
, Flushes the server output.  
. Clears the window.

### 1.163 Some aliases...

Usage: /LOAD cursor

I don't know why, it works on some terminals, on others it doesn't:  
This should setup ircII to make the cursor keys on your terminal move  
the cursor in ircII left/right and forward/back in command history.

Try it, maybe you are lucky.

### 1.164 Some aliases...

Usage: /LOAD deutsch

This is only for the german-speaking part of the IRC community.

Hier ist nix sinnvolles drin, nur eine kleine Sammlung von Tastenbelegungen,  
die mit META2 erreichbar ist. META2 ist per default auf ^w gelegt (CTRL-W),  
wer aber 'commander' verwendet hat es auch auf TAB zur Verfuegung.

```
f *fauch*
g *grins*
G *gaehn*
k *kicher*
l *lach*
M moin <letzter joiner>!
R rehi <letzter joiner>!
s *seufz*
S *schmoll*
t *troest*
T tach <letzter joiner>!
```

Hiermit habe ich also mein Geheimnis fuer schnelle virtuelle Emotivitaet  
preisgegeben. Man kann sich echt dran gewoennen! \*grins\* ;)

Boah ey! :)

## 1.165 Some aliases...

Usage: /LOAD english

For those who didn't like that ircII has special features for germans only, here is just about the same silly thingie in english language. This might however become obsolete if /me & co. become a standard.

If you load this script you get the following strings typed into your ircII line as you type META2, that is ^w (CTRL-W) or TAB for those who make use of 'commander' plus the character with or without SHIFT.

```
a *applaud*
A *gasp*
b *blush*
B *bow*
c *cry*
C *cough*
f *frown*
g *grin*
G *giggle*
h *hug*
k *kiss*
l *laugh*
r *purr*
s *sigh*
S *shrug*
y *yawn*
```

## 1.166 Some aliases...

Usage: /LOAD events

This script contains a collection of /ON commands which change the looks of some 'events' to something that I like more, maybe you like it, too?

The person's nickname that last sent you a message will appear in your status-line, if you have %U in your STATUS\_FORMAT variable.

The output of /NAMES will look more compact.

The output of /WHO will look different, too.

When you type to a channel your nickname will be displayed as prefix to the line instead of just '> '.

You will be informed about the time every full hour.

## 1.167 Some aliases...

Usage: /LOAD finger

The mythical /finger alias by BigCheese. Apparently it works again. You can type /finger <nickname> and a 'finger' command is launched with the user@host info for that nickname.

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## 1.168 Some aliases...

IRC ForumNet Compatibility System

To use the compatability package, you should do:

```
/LOAD fnet
```

If this doesn't work, check with your IRCII installer.

Group commands

```
/group name Change to group +name
/status [s|p|h|u] Change group status
/boot nick Expel nick from group
/invite nick Invite nick to the group
/pass nick Make nick a group moderator
/nm nick Remove moderation from nick
/w List groups and users
/topic topic Change the topic of the group
```

Message commands

```
/m nick Send a message to nick
/beep nick Send a beep to nick
/hclear Clear /m history
```

General commands

```
/commands Show this command list
/display n Redisplay the last n messages
/nick newnick Change your nickname to newnick
/motd Read the current message of the day
/q Quit IRC
/fset var Set or display an IRC variable.
```

## 1.169 The startup-file

You could make up a nice .ircrc to start with, simply by writing these 3 lines into it:

```
load commander
load events
load alias
```

Read the helps to learn about what you get by using these scripts. They are designed to bring much of ircII's power to the user's disposition which is otherwise hard to get, because you'd have to learn ircII's complex and unfriendly programming language.

About the key definitions, you get much faster in discussion if you get acquainted to its use, especially of the fast /query bindings which can help you switch between multiple conversations quickly.

## 1.170 Some aliases...

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Usage: /LOAD local

Local definitions, done by your ircII administrator are stored in here. Local is (should be) executed at ircII startup automatically.

The most important aliases in here, are these two aliases:

/COUNTRYWHO Who-list of the people of your country.  
/LOCALWHO Who-list of the people at your site.

With 'commander' you have these commands on ESC-d and ESC-h respectively.

## 1.171 Some aliases...

Usage: /LOAD msg

Contains some handy key bindings:

A variable LAST\_WHOIS will always contain the person you last /whois'd.  
A variable LAST\_NOTIFY will contain the person that was last detected to sign onto irc.

By typing META2 with ? you will be prompted '/msg <last\_whois> '  
With META2 and ! you'll get '/msg <last\_notify> '

Additionally you also have META2-, which expands to  
'/msg <last person that sent you a msg> '  
and META2-. to '/msg <last person you sent a msg to> '  
analogue to the standard IRC shortcuts ('/msg .' and ',,').

META2 is defined by /bind, by default it is ^x.

See Also:

LOAD COMMANDER

## 1.172 Some aliases...

Usage: /LOAD mudlike

ircII interface for people who like the way one communicates on MUDs. It makes ircII act almost the same way:

Removes the / before commands, everything you type is supposed to be a command. To speak to a channel use 'say <text>', to speak to a person use 'tell <person> <text>' or use 'query <person>' and 'send <text>'.

When you 'load action' you get the 'smile' 'grin' commands which ALSO transmit over a query! So be careful if you are in a query or not.

The ' symbol itself is a quickie for the 'send' command which either sends to the query or the channel. If you type one space before text, that is space as a command like this: ' <text>', it goes to the channel.

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Much of the irc output is modified in a way that it looks more familiar to MUDDers.

'emote' behaves like 'me', see /help ME. Read also /help DESCRIBE

For more precise information try to read the script file itself.

### 1.173 Some aliases...

Usage: /load OPER

A collection of aliases for IRC operators:

```
/stick <new> <target> /connect <new> 6667 <target>
/joinzone /join #Twilight_Zone
/partzone /part #Twilight_Zone
/joineuro /join #EU-Opers
/parteuro /part #EU-Opers

/loud Show the wallops
/silent Swallow the wallops away
/lastwallops Should show the last wallop, but I think it doesn't
```

### 1.174 Some aliases...

Usage: /LOAD prefix

For those who use multiple channels without opening windows for each of them. The channel name talk is coming from or going to is displayed as prefix to each line.

### 1.175 Some aliases...

This is a sample of using the WHILE command in an alias. Once loaded, here is it's usage:

Usage: REPEAT <cnt> <cmd>

This will perform <cmd> for the number of times specified by <cnt>. For example:

```
/REPEAT 5 /msg bigcheese Hello!
```

This will send the message "Hello!" to bigcheese 5 times.

The above example can get annoying, so try to not to use this to really bother people.

### 1.176 Some aliases...

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Usage: /LOAD service

This script contains some aliases for the handling of NickServ and NoteServ which are shortcuts for the /msg NickServ/NoteServ - Sequences.

You have to setup a Variable which contains your NickServ-Password with /ASSIGN PASSWD password in your .ircrc. When you then /LOAD SERVICE that password will automatically be sent to the NickServ.

For NickServ :

```
/.identify    /.whois
```

For NoteServ :

```
/.list        /.tell (or /.msg)
/.read        /.query
/.away        /.delete
/.await (or /.waitfor)
```

## 1.177 Some aliases...

Usage: /LOAD silent

A series of /on commands, which will make all of the \*\*\* join, leave, signoff nickname and mode change messages disappear. Meant to be used in high-traffic channels such as +report.

If you have %U somewhere in your STATUS\_FORMAT variable, the messages will appear in the status line instead, which is much less annoying, than to have them in the ircII windows.

## 1.178 Suggestions...

Hello!

If you have suggestions about the ircII script system, the scripts themselves, or even have some contributions please send them to my address for me to examine them and include them into distribution of ircII. Consider also including help files for your scripts.

My address is:

```
Carl 'lynX' v. Loesch: <loesch@informatik.uni-oldenburg.de>
```

I'm always curious about what people do with the ircII language... :)

## 1.179 Some aliases...

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Usage: /LOAD window

This script contains bindings for Window handling in an EMACS-like fashion. After pressing the META2 key (either CTRL-X or TAB) you can press one of these:

2 Open a new window.  
+ or z Grow the current window by one line.  
- or ^z Shrink the current window by one line.  
= Balance the size of all windows.  
0 Kill the current window!  
1 Kill all other windows!

## 1.180 Note commands

Usage: NOTE [CAT] [\$passwd] [--FLAGS] [#ID] <nick!username@host>

Displays nick/username/tohost sent from your nickname and username including the content of the message. See HELP LS for more info. See HELP FLAG for more info about flag settings.

## 1.181 Note commands

Usage: NOTE [CHANNEL] [\$pwd] [--FLAGS] [--maxtime] <nick!username@host> <msg>

CHANNEL is an alias for USER +M (default max 7 days)

This command is for sending a message to recipient only if this is on channel +note.

Note: This channel will be used for broadcast messages about the note system. Join and leave to check if it's any messages at any time.

Example: CHANNEL foobar This is a test

CHANNEL +N +7 foobar!username@\*.edu Hi there!

## 1.182 Note commands

Usage: NOTE [COUNT] [\$passwd] [--FLAGS] [#ID] <nick!username@host>

Displays the number of messages sent from your nick and username. See HELP LS for more info. See HELP FLAG for more info about flag setting.

## 1.183 Note commands

\*Usage: NOTE [DENY] [\$passwd] [--FLAGS] [--maxtime] <nick!user@host> <msg>

\* DENY is an alias for USER +RZ (default max 1 day)

\* This command makes it impossible for any matching recipient to

\* use SEND option.

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## 1.184 Note commands

Usage: NOTE [FIND] [\$passwd] [+-FLAGS] [+-maxtime] <nick!username@host> <msg>

FIND is an alias for USER +FLR (default max 1 day)

This command makes the server search for any matching recipient, and send a note message back if this is found. Max matching is set as MUM.

<msg> field should be the realname of the person if specified.

Example: FIND -4 foo\*!username@host

FIND @host Internet\*

## 1.185 nnote

Usages:

```
NOTE [USER] [$passwd] [+-FLAGS] [+-maxtime] <nick!username@host> <msg>
- or [SEND | CHANNEL | SPY | FIND | WAITFOR] <see USER args.>
* or [SEND|CHANNEL|SPY|FIND|WAITFOR|PLOG|WALL|WALLOPS|DENY] <see USER args.>
NOTE [LS|CAT|COUNT|RM|LOG] [$pwd] [+-FLAGS] [#ID] <nick!user@host> [date]
NOTE [FLAG] [$passwd] [+-FLAGS] [#ID] <nick!username@host> <+-FLAGS>
- NOTE [SENT] [NAME|COUNT]
* NOTE [SENT] [NAME|COUNT|USERS] <f.nick!f.name@host> <date> [RM|RMAB]
- NOTE [WHOWAS] [+-FLAGS] [#max] <nick!name@host> [date1] [date2]
* NOTE [WHOWAS] [+-FLAGS] [#max] <nick!name@host> [date1] [date2] [RM|RMS]
- NOTE [STATS] [MSM|MSW|MUM|MUW|MST|MSF|USED]
* NOTE [STATS] [MSM|MSW|MUM|MUW|MST|MSF|USED|RESET] [value]
* NOTE [SAVE]
```

The NOTE system let you send one line messages to irc users which they will get if and when they next sign on to irc, change nick or channel. If they are on irc already, they'll get the note message immediately.

NOTE has built in a lot of other features too, as possibility to log users and lots of other message handling as find users, tell if an user change nickname or sign on/off... and a lot more.

Suggestions should be sent to jarlek@ifi.uio.no (Wizable on IRC).

## 1.186 Note commands

Usage: NOTE [FLAG] [\$passwd] [+-FLAGS] [#ID] <nick!username@host> <+-FLAGS>

You can add or delete as many flags as you wish with +/-<FLAG>.

+ switch the flag on, and - switch it off. Example: -S+RL

Following flags with its default set specified first are available:

-S > Message is never saved. (Else with frequency specified with /MSF)

-P > Repeat the send of message(s) once.

-M > Ignore message if recipient is not on a channel named NOTE.

-Q > Ignore message if recipient's first nick is equal to username.

-V > Ignore message if recipient is not on a server in same country.

-I > Ignore message if recipient is not on this server.

-W > Ignore message if recipient is not an operator.

-U > Ignore message if recipient is not signing on or off IRC.

-Y > Ignore message if sender is not on IRC.

-N > Let server send a note message if message is sent to recipient.

```

-D > Same as N, but msg. is sent to sender if this is on IRC.
-R > Repeat the message until timeout.
-F > Let server send note info for matching recipient(s). Any message
    specify what to match with the realname of the recipient.
-L > Same as F, but message is sent to sender if this is on IRC.
-C > Make sender's nicks be valid in all cases username is valid.
-X > Let server display if recipient signs on/off IRC or change
    nickname. Any message specified is returned to sender.
-E > Ignore message if nick, name and host matches the message text
    starting with any number of this format: 'nick!name@host nick!... '
* -A > Generate a whowas list for all matching nick/name/host. Timeout
*     for whowas messages is set identical to this flag message timeout.
*     However, separate timeout is set if specified as a message.
* -J > Whowas list log new time for each user every day.
* -B > Let server generate a header message to matching nick/name/host
*     Message is only sent to each matching recipient once.
* -T > A or B flag list includes nicks for all matching names and hosts.
* -K > Give keys to unlock privileged flags by setting that flags on.
*     The recipient does also get privileges to queue unlimited msg.,
*     list privileged flags and see all stats.
* -Z > Make it impossible for recipient to use SEND option.
Other flags which are only displayed but can't be set by user:
-O > Message is sent from an operator.
-G > Notice message is generated by server.
- -T > Whowas list has included nicks for all matching names and hosts.
- -J > Whowas list log new time for each user every day.
- -B > Broadcasting message sent once to all who matches recipient name.
* -H > Header message generated using flag B.
- Notice: Message is not sent to recipient using F, L, R or X flag.
- Using this flags, no message needs to be specified.
* Notice: Message is not sent to recip. using F, L, R, X, A, K, Z or H
* flag (except if B flag is set for R). For this flags, no msg. needed.

```

## 1.187 Note commands

Usage: NOTE [LOG] [\$passwd] [--FLAGS] [#ID] <nick!username@host>

Displays the last time matching person was on IRC. This works only after use of NOTE Spy. The log is protected to be seen for other users than the person who queued the SPY request.

## 1.188 Note commands

Usages:

```

NOTE [USER] [$passwd] [--FLAGS] [--maxtime] <nick!username@host> <msg>
- or [SEND | CHANNEL | SPY | FIND | WAITFOR] <see USER args.>
* or [SEND|CHANNEL|SPY|FIND|WAITFOR|PLOG|WALL|WALLOPS|DENY] <see USER args.>
NOTE [LS|CAT|COUNT|RM|LOG] [$pwd] [--FLAGS] [#ID] <nick!user@host> [date]
NOTE [FLAG] [$passwd] [--FLAGS] [#ID] <nick!username@host> <--FLAGS>
- NOTE [SENT] [NAME|COUNT]
* NOTE [SENT] [NAME|COUNT|USERS] <f.nick!f.name@host> <date> [RM|RMAB]
- NOTE [WHOWAS] [--FLAGS] [#max] <nick!name@host> [date1] [date2]
* NOTE [WHOWAS] [--FLAGS] [#max] <nick!name@host> [date1] [date2] [RM|RMS]

```

- NOTE [STATS] [MSM|MSW|MUM|MUW|MST|MSF|USED]
- \* NOTE [STATS] [MSM|MSW|MUM|MUW|MST|MSF|USED|RESET] [value]
- \* NOTE [SAVE]

The NOTE system let you send one line messages to irc users which they will get if and when they next sign on to irc, change nick or channel. If they are on irc already, they'll get the note message immediately.

NOTE has built in a lot of other features too, as possibility to log users and lots of other message handling as find users, tell if a user change nickname or sign on/off... and a lot more.

Suggestions should be sent to jarlek@ifi.uio.no (Wizable on IRC).

## 1.189 Note commands

- \*Usage: NOTE [PLOG] [\$passwd] [--FLAGS] [--maxtime] <nick!user@host> <msg>
- \* PLOG is an alias for USER +AR (default max 1 day)
- \* This command is to activate the public log system. The system will generate a list which can be read by anybody using WHOWAS.
- \* +I flag log only users on your server.
- \* +T flag log all nicks used by an account (only last is default).
- \* +J flag makes a new log each day of any matching recipient.
- \* You may queue severale log requests at the same time as specified here;
- \* 1. PLOG +i +365 \* +60
- \* 2. PLOG +t +365 @\*.edu -12
- \* 3. PLOG +365 \* +1
- \* This system log all user@host using your server for last 7 days,
- \* log all users including nick-names for everybody on host @\*.edu for last 12 hours, and finally log every user@host on the IRC for one day (24 hours). This process is repeated for 365 days.

## 1.190 Note commands

- Usage: NOTE [RM] [\$passwd] [--FLAGS] [#ID] <nick!username@host>
- Deletes any messages sent from your nick and username which matches with nick and username@host. Use FLAGS for matching all messages which have the specified flags set on or off. See HELP FLAG for more info about flag settings, and HELP LS for info about time.

## 1.191 Note commands

- \*Usage: NOTE [SAVE]
- \* SAVE saves all messages with the save flag set. Notice that the messages are automatically saved (see HELP STATS). Each time server is restarted, the save file is read and messages are restored. If no users are connected to this server when saving, the ID number for each message is renumbered.

## 1.192 Note commands

Usage: NOTE [SEND] [\$passwd] [+-FLAGS] [+-maxtime] <nick!username@host> <msg>

SEND is an alias for USER +D (default max 7 days)

This command is for sending a message to recipient, and let the server send a note + a notice to sender if this is on IRC - if message is sent.

Example: SEND foobar Hello, this is a test.

SEND +7 !username@\*.edu Hello again!

## 1.193 Note commands

-Usage: NOTE [SENT] [NAME|COUNT]

\*Usage: NOTE [SENT] [NAME|COUNT|USERS] <f.nick!f.name@host> <date> [RM|RMAB]

Displays host and time for messages which are queued without specifying any password. If no option is specified SENT displays host/time for messages sent from your nick and username.

NAME displays host/time for messages sent from your username

COUNT displays number of messages sent from your username

- \* USERS Displays the number of messages in [], and names for all users
- \* who have queued any message which matches with spec. nick/name/host.
- \* RM means that the server removes the messages from the specified user.
- \* RMAB means same as RM, but only messages with A or B flag is removed.

## 1.194 Note commands

Usage: NOTE [SPY] [\$passwd] [+-FLAGS] [+-maxtime] <nick!username@host> [msg]

SPY is an alias for USER +RX (default 1 max day)

SPY makes the server tell you if any matching recipient sign(s) on/off IRC or change nick name. No message needs to be specified.

However, if a message is specified this is returned to sender including with the message about recipient. Message could for example be one or more Ctrl-G characters to activate the bell on senders machine.

The system logs last time the last matching person was on IRC for each SPY request is queued in the server. See NOTE LOG for this.

Example: SPY foobar!username@host <ctrl-G>

SPY +10 foobar

SPY \$secret \* <ctrl-G>

## 1.195 Note commands

-Usage: NOTE [STATS] [MSM|MSW|MUM|MUW|MST|MSF|USED]

\*Usage: NOTE [STATS] [MSM|MSW|MUM|MUW|MST|MSF|USED|RESET] [value]

STATS with no option displays the values of the following variables:

MSM: Max number of server messages.

MSW: Max number of server messages with username-wildcards.

MUM: Max number of user messages.

MUW: Max number of user messages with username-wildcards.

MST: Max server time.

MSF: Note save frequency (checks for save only when a user register)

Notice that 'dynamic' mark after MSM means that if there are more messages in the server than MSM, the current number of messages are displayed instead of MSM.

Only one of this variables are displayed if specified.

- \* You can change any of the stats by specifying new value after it.
- \* RESET sets the stats to the same values which is set when starting the server daemon if no note file exist. Notice that this stats are saved
- \* in same file as the other messages.

## 1.196 Note commands

Usage: NOTE [USER] [\$passwd] [+-FLAGS] [+-maxtime] <nick!username@host> <msg>

With USER you can queue a message in the server, and when the recipient signs on/off IRC, change nick or join any channel, note checks for valid messages. This works even if the sender is not on IRC. See HELP FLAGS for more info. Password can be up to ten characters long. See HELP FLAGS for info about flag settings. Username can be specified without @host. Do not use wildcards in username if you know what it is, even if it's possible. Max time before the server automatically remove the message from the queue, is specified with hours with a '-' character first, or days if a '+' character is specified, as -5 hours, or +10 days. Default maxtime is 7 days.

Note: The received message is *\*directly\** displayed on the screen, without the need for a read or remove request.

NOTE USER \$secret +WN +10 Wizible!jarlek@ifi.uio.no Howdy!

- is an example of a message sent only to the specified recipient if this person is an operator, and after receiving the message, the server sends a note message back to sender to inform about the delivery.

NOTE USER +XR -5 Anybody <ctrl-G>

- is an example which makes the server to tell when Anybody signs on/off irc, change nick etc. This process repeats for 5 hours.

NOTE USER +FL @\*.edu \*account\*

- is an example which makes the server send a message back if any real-name of any user matches \*account\*. Message is sent back as note from server, or directly as a notice if sender is on IRC at this time.

## 1.197 Note commands

Usage: NOTE [WAITFOR [\$pwd] [+-FLAGS] [+-maxtime] <nick!username@host> [msg]

WAITFOR is an alias for USER +YD (default max 1 day)

Default message is; <<< WAITING FOR YOU ON IRC RIGHT NOW>>>

This command is for telling the recipient if this appears on IRC that you are waiting for him/her and notice that this got that message.

Example: WAITFOR foobar

WAITFOR -2 foobar!username@\*

WAITFOR foobar Waiting for you until pm3:00..

## 1.198 Note commands

```
*Usage: NOTE [WALL] [$passwd] [--FLAGS] [--maxtime] <nick!user@host> <msg>
* WALL is an alias for USER +BR (default max 1 day)
* This command is for sending a message once to every matching user
* on IRC. Be careful using this command. WALL creates a list of
* persons received the message (and should not have it once more time)
* with H flag set. This list can be displayed using LS +H from the
* nick and username@host which the WALL request is queued from.
* Removing the headers (H) before WALL request is removed would cause
* the message to be sent once more to what users specified in list.
* WALL +7 @*.edu Do not do this! - Makes it clear for all users using
* IRC on host @*.edu the next 7 days how stupid it is to send such WALL's ;)
```

### 1.199 Note commands

```
*Usage: NOTE [WALLOPS] [$passwd] [--FLAGS] [--maxtime] <nick!user@host> <msg>
* WALLOPS is an alias for USER +BRW (default max 1 day)
* This command is same as WALL, except only ops could receive it.
```

### 1.200 Note commands

```
-Usage: NOTE [WHOWAS] [--FLAGS] [#max] <nick!name@host> [date1] [date2]
*Usage: NOTE [WHOWAS] [--FLAGS] [#max] <nick!name@host> [date1] [date2] [RM|RMS]
  Displays information about who used the given nickname, username or
  hostname the first and last time (every day or any time) this person
  was on IRC. If a time is specified, only usernames from that day are
  displayed. If another time is specified, all users which are dated from
  time1 to time2 are displayed. See HELP LS for more info about time.
* RM or RMS means that the specified username is deleted. RM displays
* the deleted usernames, but RMS does not display that.
  If no names are specified, information is displayed about what group
  of users is registered in the whowas system.
  Following flags with its default set specified first are available;
-I > Lists persons on this server only.
-O > List only operators.
-C > Counts number of matches.
-U > List only one nick per username and host.
-T > List only log generated with T flags.
-J > List only log generated with J flags.
```

### 1.201 About the ON-command

```
Usage: ON [+|-|^]<event> [-|^]<match> [action]
  The ON command lets you set up actions which will occur when
  certain events happen. For example, you can create
  "personalized" away messages for different individuals,
  periodic actions that occur at specific times, just to name
  a few.
```

Note that using ON JOIN and ON LEAVE to automatically greet

people entering or leaving your channel is extremely poor etiquette. See /HELP ETIQUETTE.

The <event> parameter specifies what irc event to monitor for possible execution of the action. All possible events are listed after this file, and more specific help is available for each.

There are four modes for each event. Different modes are specified by preceding the event with one of the following characters:

- + Make event very noisy. It will display everything it does.
- Make event quiet. It will not display any of it's actions.
- ^ Make event silent. Just like - above except it inhibits the normal event display as well. The only command that will cause output in this mode is the ECHO command. This can be used to redefine how event messages look.

If no character is specified, you will be warned upon activation of an event (this is somewhere between the + and - modes).

The <match> parameter may be a single word, or a list of words surrounded by double quotes ("). The <match> determines specifically which events of the given <event> will cause the action to take place. The <match> may contain wildcards, and the specifics of the <match> parameter are dependant on the <event> type.

If the <match> is preceded by a -, that entry will be removed from the action list. For example:

```
/ON PUBLIC -BigCheese  
/ON INVITE -"* +Har"
```

The first will remove "BigCheese" from the PUBLIC list, the second will remove -"\* +Har" from the INVITE list.

If you specify a - without a <match>, all entries on that list will be removed. For example:

```
/ON MSG -
```

will remove all entries from the MSG list.

If the <match> is preceded by a ^, then no action will be taken for a match for that event (this is used when you wish to exclude a nickname or list of nicknames from a larger wildcard match, see HELP ON FLOOD for an example).

The [action] parameter is that action that will occur when the specified event occurs which matches the given <match>. The action parameter is parsed by the command parse in exactly the same way as an IRCII alias is parsed, using the same inline variable expansions (See ALIAS). Also, depending on the event that is activated, there will be certain values passed as arguments to the action, just as if they were arguments to an alias. You may use the \$0, \$1, \$2... etc variables to expand out these arguments. The arguments passed for each event are described in the individual help files for each event.

Here are some examples:

---

```
/ON -MSG *cheese* NOTICE $0 No Cheese Messages Please!
```

Whenever a MSG is received from anyone with a nickname with cheese in it, a NOTICE will be sent out to that user. This action will generate no noticeable effect to you (it is marked as "quiet").

```
/ON MSG ^BigCheese
```

If used with the first example above, this will prevent the action from being taken when a message is sent from BigCheese.

Here is an example of how to redefine the way a message looks:

```
/ON ^MSG * ECHO :$0: $1-
```

All MSGs received from now on will look:

```
:BigCheese: Hello!
```

The same can be done with the other event types.

More examples are given for the individual event types.

/ON will not function if the NOVICE variable is set to ON.

See Also:

- IRCI PROGRAMMING
- ALIAS

## 1.202 Details about the ON-command

Using of ON:

The <event> parameter specifies what irc event to monitor for possible execution of the action. All possible events are listed after this file, and more specific help is available for each.

There are four modes for each event. Different modes are specified by preceding the event with one of the following characters:

- + Make event very noisy. It will display everything it does.
- Make event quiet. It will not display any of it's actions.
- ^ Make event silent. Just like - above except it inhibits the normal event display as well. The only command that will cause output in this mode is the ECHO command. This can be used to redefine how event messages look.

If no character is specified, you will be warned upon activation of an event (this is somewhere between the + and - modes).

The <match> parameter may be a single word, or a list of words surrounded by double quotes ("). The <match> determines specifically which events of the given <event> will cause the action to take place. The <match> may contain wildcards, and the specifics of the <match> parameter are dependant on the <event> type.

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If the <match> is preceded by a -, that entry will be removed from the action list. For example:

```
/ON PUBLIC -BigCheese
/ON INVITE -"* +Har"
```

The first will remove "BigCheese" from the PUBLIC list, the second will remove -"\* +Har" from the INVITE list.

You can remove all entries from a given event list by doing the following:

```
/ON <event> -
```

For example:

```
/ON MSG -
```

removes all entries in the ON MSG list.

If the <match> is preceded by a ^, then no action will be taken for a match for that event (this is used when you wish to exclude a nickname or list of nicknames from a larger wildcard match, see HELP ON FLOOD for an example).

The [action] parameter is that action that will occur when the specified event occurs which matches the given <match>. The action parameter is parsed by the command parse in exactly the same way as an IRCII alias is parsed, using the same inline variable expansions (See ALIAS). Also, depending on the event that is activated, there will be certain values passed as arguments to the action, just as if they were arguments to an alias. You may use the \$0, \$1, \$2... etc variables to expand out these arguments. The arguments passed for each event are described in the individual help files for each event.

Here are some examples:

```
/ON -MSG *cheese* /NOTICE $0 No Cheese Messages Please!
```

Whenever a MSG is received from anyone with a nickname with cheese in it, a NOTICE will be sent out to that user. This action will generate no noticeable effect to you (it is marked as "quiet").

```
/ON MSG ^BigCheese
```

If used with the first example above, this will prevent the action from being taken when a message is sent from BigCheese.

Here is an example of how to redefine the way a message looks:

```
/ON ^MSG * /ECHO :$0: $1-
```

All MSGs received from now on will look:

```
:BigCheese: Hello!
```

The same can be done with the other event types.

More examples are given for the individual event types.

## 1.203 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|-|^]CHANNEL\_NICK [-|^]"<channel> [<nick>]" [action]  
 This is activated whenever someone on a channel you are on changes their nickname. The parameters for this function are:  
 \$0 The channel from which that person has changed nick  
 \$1 Original nickname for that person  
 \$2 New nickname for that person

## 1.204 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|-|^]CHANNEL\_SIGNOFF [-|^]"<channel> [<nick>]" [action]  
 This is activated whenever someone on a channel you are on leaves irc. Normally, the display would show:

```
*** Signoff: <nickname>
```

but, of course, you can change this. If <nick> is your own nickname, then the action will be taken when you exit from irc. The parameters are as follows:

```
$0 The channel from which the person signed off
$1 Nickname of person who left irc
```

## 1.205 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|-|^]CONNECT [-|^]<server> [action]  
 This is activated whenever you receive a connect to a server. The parameters for the action are as follows:  
 \$0 The name of the server you connected to.

## 1.206 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|-|^]CTCP [-|^]<parameters> [action]  
 This event is activated whenever someone sends a client-to-client protocol (CTCP) request. Certain CTCP types are have predefined actions that you can't override with the ^, but you can use the to create your own CTCP protocols. The parameters are:  
 \$0 nick of person who send CTCP  
 \$1 who the ctcp was to (either your nick or a channel)  
 \$2 The CTCP command word  
 \$3- Any additional arguments

For example, if you want to set up a new ctcp function called CHEESE, you would do:

```
ON -CTCP "*" * CHEESE" /CTCP $0 $2 Say Cheese!
```

Using the /CTCP in an ON CTCP automatically sends the proper reply format. If someone no send you a:

```
CTCP <yournick> CHEESE
```

you will see:

```
*** CTCP CHEESE from <theirnick>:
```

and they will see:

```
*** CTCP REPLY CHEESE from <yournick>: Say Cheese!
```

See Also:  
CTCP  
ON CTCP\_REPLY

## 1.207 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|-|^]CTCP\_REPLY [-|^]<parameters> [action]  
This event is activated when you receive a reply from a CTCP request that you made (with the CTCP command). For example, if you did:  
/CTCP BigCheese VERSION  
you would receive a:  
\*\*\* CTCP REPLY VERSION from BigCheese: IRCII 2.1beta2 Unix from BigCheese. However, if you had:  
/ON ^CTCP\_REPLY "\*" VERSION" /echo \$0 is using \$2-  
and did the CTCP show above, you would get something like:  
BigCheese is using IRCII 2.1beta2 Unix  
The parameters are:  
\$0 nick of person who sent the reply  
\$1 The CTCP command being replied to  
\$2- The reply itself (depends on \$1)  
Note: You may NOT use the CTCP command in an ON CTCP\_REPLY. It simply will report an error message to you and not work. It is illegal to do this and it is not supported.

## 1.208 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|^]DCC\_CHAT [-|^]<nicknames> [action]  
This is activated whenever you receive a DMSG from someone. The parameters for the action are as follows:  
\$0 nickname of person who sent the DMSG  
\$1- The message

Warning: As DMSG is outside the IRC protocol, it allows you to send a DMSG from an ON DCC\_CHAT. This has the potential to create loops. If you intend to send a DMSG from DCC\_CHAT you are responsible for ensuring that it will not create a loop.

## 1.209 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|^]DISCONNECT [-|^]<parameters> [action]  
This is activated whenever you are disconnected from an irc server and IRCII's automatic reconnection techniques can't get you reconnected. This would be any situation which you would see "\*\*\* Use /SERVER to connect to a server".  
Parameters:  
\$0 Last server you were connected to

### 1.210 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|-|^]EXEC [-|^]<process number> [action]

This is activate whenever an EXEC'd process produces output to its standard output channel. The process number is the number assigned by EXEC to the process (see HELP EXEC). The parameters to this function are:

\$0 The process number that activated the ON  
\$1- The line of output to stdout

### 1.211 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|-|^]EXEC\_ERRORS [-|^]<process number> [action]

This is activate whenever an EXEC'd process produces output to its standard error channel. The process number is the number assigned by EXEC to the process (see HELP EXEC). The parameters to this function are:

\$0 The process number that activated the ON  
\$1- The line of output to stderr

### 1.212 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|-|^]EXEC\_EXIT [-|^]<parameters> [action]

This is activated when any EXEC'd process exits. The parameters are:

\$0 Process number or logical name (if assigned)  
\$1 Signal that killed the process (or 0 if it exited normally)  
\$2 Exit code for process (non-zero only if \$1 is 0)

### 1.213 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|-|^]EXEC\_PROMPT [-|^]<parameters> [action]

This is activated whenever an EXEC'd process displays a "prompt". A "prompt" is defined as any line of output from a process that doesn't end in a carriage return - line feed.

The parameters are:

\$0 process number or logical name (if assigned)  
\$1 The prompt string

### 1.214 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|-|^]FLOOD [-|^]<nick> [action]

The FLOOD type is activated whenever someone sends a lot of information very rapidly to you, your channel, or the system at large (ie: a wall). Usually, this is caused when someone dumps a file to your channel or to you. The parameters for this are:

\$0 The nick of the flooder

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\$1 The type of flooding being done  
\$2- The content of the flooding message

General use for ON FLOOD is as follows:

```
/ON ^FLOOD *
```

This will automatically prevent flooding messages from being displayed and automatically disable itself when the flooding has stopped.

If you use services like IRCIIHelp or NickServ, these can appear to IRCII as floods, but if you add to following ON lines:

```
/ON FLOOD ^IRCIIHelp
```

```
/ON FLOOD ^NickServ
```

These will not be treated as floods and will let their messages through.

Warning: There are occasions where ON FLOOD can be inadvertently activated (such as after a net-burp, or after you have ^Z'd for a while). Therefore, I strongly advise against using KILL or even KICK as the action taken by an ON FLOOD.

See Also:

```
SET FLOOD_AFTER
```

```
SET FLOOD_RATE
```

```
SET FLOOD_USERS
```

```
SET FLOOD_WARNING
```

## 1.215 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|-|^]HELP [-|^]<parameters> [action]

ON HELP is activated for each line of the HELP command that is displayed. There is probably no other use for this except by IRCIIHelp. So ignore it.

## 1.216 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|-|^]IDLE [-|^]<parameters> [action]

This is activated when IRCII has been idle for a period of time. Idleness is in minutes from the last keystroke.

Parameters:

```
$0          minutes idletime
```

So, /ON IDLE 5 /ECHO FINISHED will print out "FINISHED" after a period of 5 minutes without any key pressed.

## 1.217 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|-|^]INPUT [-|^]<parameters> [action]

This is activated whenever you send a line of input to either a channel or a query user. This means that if you type in a message and hit return, ON INPUT can be activated. It is NOT

activated by IRCII commands (any line starting with a CMDCHAR).  
Parameters are:  
\$0 Channel or query user or 0 if neither.  
\$1- Text of message

### 1.218 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|-|^]INVITE [-|^]<nicknames> [action]  
This is activated whenever you receive an INVITE. The parameters for the action are as follows:  
\$0 nickname of person who invited you  
\$1 the channel to which you are being invited

### 1.219 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|-|^]JOIN [-|^]<nicknames> [action]  
This is activated whenever someone joins a channel you are on. The parameters for the action are as follows:  
\$0 nickname of person who joined the channel  
\$1 the channel which was joined

### 1.220 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|-|^]LEAVE [-|^]<nicknames> [action]  
This is activated whenever someone leaves a channel you are on. The parameters for the action are as follows:  
\$0 nickname of person who left the channel  
\$1 the channel which which was left

### 1.221 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|-|^]LIST [-|^]<paramters> [action]  
When /LIST is activated any outline will be modified by [action].  
For example:  
/ON LIST "\*" 5 "\*" /ECHO NUMBER OF USERS: 5  
  
The parameters are as follows:  
\$0 channel name  
\$1 number of users on channel  
\$2- topic of channel

### 1.222 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

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Usage: ON [+|-|^]MAIL [-|^]<count> [action]

This is activated whenever you receive new mail (non-irc mail) or when you start up irc and you have mail. You can use this to replace the standard "\*\*\* You have new mail" banner with anything you like. The parameters for this function are:

\$0 The number of new mail messages

\$1 Total number of mail messages

On startup, new mail messages will be all messages found. After that, for example if you had 2 messages and a new message came in, new messages would be 1. Here are a few examples of how to use this:

```
/ON ^MAIL 1 /echo *** You have $0 new mail message, total of $1
```

```
/ON ^MAIL * /echo *** You have $0 new mail messages, total of $1
```

These will display the number of new messages that arrive.

Here is another example:

```
/ON ^MAIL * /comment
```

This will disable the display of any message when you have mail. Setting the MAIL variable to OFF will also have this effect, but this will also disable the total mail messages count in the status line.

## 1.223 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|-|^]MODE\_CHANGE [-|^]<nick> [action]

This is activated whenever someone on a channel you are on changes the mode for that channel (see HELP MODE). The parameters for this function are:

\$0 The nickname of the person who changed the mode

\$1 The channel on which the mode was changed

\$2- The new mode settings for that channel

## 1.224 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|-|^]MSG [-|^]<nicknames> [action]

This is activated whenever you receive a MSG from someone.

The parameters for the action are as follows:

\$0 nickname of person who sent the MSG

\$1- The message

Warning: If you attempt to send a MSG from within a MSG action, it will be automatically converted to a NOTICE, as this will prevent MSG loops from being sent between two or more users. Also, you will not be permitted to send either MSGs or NOTICEs from within a NOTICE action. The irc protocol states that NOTICEs may not generate automatic replies so this will prevent loops of automatic messages from flooding the net.

## 1.225 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|-|^]MSG\_GROUP [-|^]<parameters> [action]

This is activated whenever you receive a message sent to a "group" of people, such as a message from an operator to everyone on a given server.

Parameters:

\$0        Sender  
\$1        Group being sent to  
\$2-      Text of message

## 1.226 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|^|^]NAMES [-|^]<paramters> [action]

When /NAMES is activated any outputline will be modified by [action].

For example:

```
/ON NAMES * /echo $0 $1-
```

The parameters are as follows:

\$0        name of the channel  
\$1        all users on this channel

## 1.227 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|^|^]NICKNAME [-|^]<nick> [action]

This is activated whenever someone on a channel you are on changes their nickname. The parameters for this function are:

\$0        Original nickname for that person  
\$1        New nickname for that person

## 1.228 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|^|^]NOTE [-|^]<nicknames> [action]

This is activated whenever you receive an irc NOTE.

The parameters for the action are as follows:

\$0        nickname of person who sent the note  
\$1        The user@hostname of the person who sent the note  
\$2        The note flags (see HELP NOTE FLAGS)  
\$3-7     The time the note was queued.  
\$8        The server from which the note was queued  
\$9-      The message itself

## 1.229 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

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Usage: ON [+|-|^]NOTICE [-|^]<nicknames> [action]

This is activated whenever you receive a NOTICE from someone.

The parameters for the action are as follows:

\$0 nickname of person who sent the NOTICE  
\$1- The message

Warning: If you attempt to send a MSG from within a MSG action, it will be automatically converted to a NOTICE, as this will prevent MSG loops from being sent between two or more users. Also, you will not be permitted to send either MSGs or NOTICES from within a NOTICE action. The irc protocol states that NOTICES may not generate automatic replies so this will prevent loops of automatic messages from flooding the net.

### 1.230 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|-|^]NOTIFY\_SIGNOFF [-|^]<nicknames> [action]

This is activated when someone on your notify list (see NOTIFY) signs off of irc. The parameters to the action are:

\$0 Nickname of person who signed off

### 1.231 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|-|^]NOTIFY\_SIGNON [-|^]<nicknames> [action]

This is activated when someone on your notify list (see NOTIFY) signs onto irc. The parameters to the action are:

\$0 Nickname of person who signed on  
\$1 Channel they signed on to

### 1.232 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|-|^]<numeric> [-|^]<number> [action]

This is activated whenever a numeric message of that number arrives.

The legal range of values for <numeric> are from 001 to 999.

Numeric messages are special replies send by the server to the client in the raw irc protocol. They are useful to intercept if you are writing a service using IRCII. For more details about what numbers represent what messages from the server, please see the irc server source code.

The parameters for the action are as follows:

\$0 number of numeric message  
\$1- parameters (depends on the numeric message)

### 1.233 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|-|^]PUBLIC [-|^]<nicknames> [action]  
This is activated whenever you receive a message from someone on a channel which is also one of your current channels.  
The parameters for the action are as follows:  
\$0 nickname of person who sent the message  
\$1- the message

### 1.234 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|^]PUBLIC\_MSG [-|^]<nicknames> [action]  
This is activated whenever you receive a message to your channel from someone not on that channel.  
The parameters for the action are as follows:  
\$0 nickname of person who sent the message  
\$1 the channel to which the message was sent  
\$2- the message

### 1.235 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|^]PUBLIC\_NOTICE [-|^]<nicknames> [action]  
This is activated whenever you receive a NOTICE to your channel from someone not on that channel.  
The parameters for the action are as follows:  
\$0 nickname of person who sent the NOTICE  
\$1 the channel to which the NOTICE was sent  
\$2- the message

### 1.236 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|^]PUBLIC\_OTHER [-|^]<nicknames> [action]  
This is activated whenever you receive a message from someone on a channel that you are also on which is not one of your current channels.  
The parameters for the action are as follows:  
\$0 nickname of person who joined the channel  
\$1 name of channel message was sent to  
\$2- the message

### 1.237 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|^]RAW\_IRC [-|^]<parameters> [action]  
This is activated whenever a message is received from a server which is not understood by IRCII. Under normal circumstances this will never happen, however if used in conjunction with /QUOTE, this ON function can be used to test new features being added to a server. This will normally be used in conjunction with /ALIAS

See Also:  
ALIAS  
QUOTE

### 1.238 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|-|^]SEND\_DCC\_CHAT [-|^]<nicknames> [action]  
This is activated whenever you send a DMSG to someone else.  
The parameters for the action are as follows:  
\$0 nickname of person to whom you sent the DMSG  
\$1- The message itself

### 1.239 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|-|^]SEND\_MSG [-|^]<nicknames> [action]  
This is activated whenever you send a MSG to someone else.  
The parameters for the action are as follows:  
\$0 nickname of person to whom you sent the MSG  
\$1- The message itself

### 1.240 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|-|^]SEND\_NOTICE [-|^]<nicknames> [action]  
This is activated whenever you send a NOTICE to someone else.  
The parameters for the action are as follows:  
\$0 nickname of person to whom you sent the NOTICE  
\$1- The message itself

### 1.241 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|-|^]SEND\_PUBLIC [-|^]<nicknames> [action]  
This is activated whenever you send a message to a channel you are on.  
The parameters for the action are as follows:  
\$0 Name of the channel to which the message is going  
\$1- The message itself

### 1.242 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|-|^]SEND\_TALK [-|^]<user[@host]> [action]  
This is activated whenever you send a TALK MSG to someone else.  
The parameters for the action are as follows:  
\$0 user[@host] of person to whom you sent the DMSG  
\$1- The message itself

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### 1.243 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|-|^]SERVER\_NOTICE [-|^]<text> [action]

This is activated whenever you receive a message from the server as a NOTICE. This is basically anything beginning with "\*\*\*" which is sent to you by the server, and the MOTD.

The parameters for the action are as follows:

\$0 The first word of the text sent - probably "\*\*\*" or "MOTD"  
\$1- The message

### 1.244 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|^]SIGNOFF [-|^]<nick> [action]

This is activated whenever someone on a channel you are on leaves irc. Normally, the display would show:

```
*** Signoff: <nickname> (<reason>)
```

but, of course, you can change this. If <nick> is your own nickname, then the action will be taken when you exit from irc. The parameters are as follows:

\$0 Nickname of person who left irc  
\$1- Serverprovided reason for the sign-off.

### 1.245 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|^]TALK [-|^]<user> [action]

This is activated whenever you receive a TALK message from someone.

The parameters for the action are as follows:

\$0 user name of person who sent the TALK message  
\$1- The message

### 1.246 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|^]TIME [-|^]<time> [action]

This is activated whenever the real-time clock is equal to the time specification you gave it. The time specifications should be one of two forms:

HH:MM[AM|PM] where 1<=HH<=12 and 0<=MM<=59

HH:MM where 0<=HH<=23 and 0<=MM<=59

which form you use depends on the current setting of CLOCK\_24HOUR. Time specification may include wildcards as well. The matching of the real-time clock and the time specification is a pure textual match. Of course, wildcards may be used in the time specification.

The parameters for the action are as follows:

\$0 The time (format depends on CLOCK\_24HOUR variable)

## 1.247 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|-|^]TOPIC [-|^]"<nickname> channel" [action]

This is activated whenever someone changes the topic

\$0 nickname of person who changed the topic  
\$1 The channel on which the topic was changed  
\$2- The new topic

## 1.248 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|-|^]WALL [-|^]<nicknames> [action]

This is activated whenever you receive a WALL (a global message from an irc operator).

The parameters for the action are as follows:

\$0 nickname of person who sent the WALL  
\$1- The message

## 1.249 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|-|^]WALLOP [-|^]<nicknames> [action]

This is activated whenever you receive a WALLOP (a message sent to all operators on irc).

The parameters for the action are as follows:

\$0 Sender  
\$1 + if sender is an oper, - if sender is a normal user,  
S if sender is a server  
\$2- text of message

## 1.250 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|-|^]WHO [-|^][<channel>|'Channel'] [action]

This is activated whenever the reply of a /WHO comes in.

The parameters for the action are as follows:

\$0 The channel the user is on, or 'Channel' for the /who header line.  
\$1 Nickname.  
\$2 Status. (Here, Gone, \*Operator, [ @ChannelOperator ])  
\$3 Username (login name)  
\$4 Host (host machine)  
\$5- Full Name or other User Data.

## 1.251 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|-|^]WINDOW [-|^]<parameters> [action]

This is activated whenever text is sent to a matching window.

This can be used to echo information from one window to a channel. WARNING!!! If you aren't careful you can get into some infinite sending loops! Use with care!

Parameters:

\$0 Refnum or name of window  
\$1- text of line sent to window

## 1.252 An ON-command (do an action when something happens)

Usage: ON [+|-|^]WINDOW\_KILL [-|^]<paramters> [action]

Whenever a window is killed (checked out by parameter \* or number for the window (see HELP WINDOW)), action is done.

The parameters are:

\$0 Refnum or name of the window

## 1.253 Set a variable in IRC

Usage: SET [-][variable name] [value]

Sets a specified variable to a given value. If SET is used with no parameters, all variables and their current settings are listed. If SET is used with a variable name and no value, that variables current setting is listed. If a - precedes a variable whose value is a string of text, it sets that variable to nothing.

See HELP SET ? for a list of all variables

## 1.254 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET ALWAYS\_SPLIT\_BIGGEST [ON|OFF|TOGGLE]

If ON, all new windows displayed will split in half the largest visible window to make room for themselves. If OFF, the current window is always split unless it is too small, then the largest is split.

## 1.255 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET AUTO\_UNMARK\_AWAY [ON|OFF|TOGGLE]

When ON, you will automatically be unmarked as being away (as if you had issued an AWAY with no arguments) if you send a message to a channel or send a private message. When OFF, your away status will remain unchanged until you issue the AWAY command with no arguments.

## 1.256 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET AUTO\_WHOWAS [ON|OFF|TOGGLE]  
If set to ON, this will automatically generate a  
WHOWAS <nickname>  
for any nick command that results in  
<nickname>: No such nickname  
If OFF, you will not be bothered with WHOWASs.  
This variable has no effect for servers before 2.6.

## 1.257 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET BEEP [ON|OFF|TOGGLE]  
Turns ON or OFF the audiblness of ^G's when received. If ON,  
^Gs should beep the terminal. When OFF, ^G's will be treated  
as other control characters and show up as G in the display.  
The setting of BEEP does not affect the beeps  
generated by the BEEP\_ON\_MSG variable and the BEEP\_WHEN\_AWAY  
variable.

See Also:

SET BEEP\_ON\_MSG  
SET BEEP\_WHEN\_AWAY

## 1.258 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET BEEP\_MAX [number of beeps]  
This allows you to limit the maximum number of beeps you will hear  
for any given messages. For example, if you set BEEP\_MAX to 3,  
and someone sends a message with more than 10 beeps in it, you  
will only hear the first three. Setting BEEP\_MAX to 0 means  
you will hear all beeps in a message.

## 1.259 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET BEEP\_ON\_MSG [ALL|NONE|[-]<level> [-] <level> ...]  
This variable lets you specify certain types of messages  
which will cause an audible beep when you receive one.  
The possible message levels are:

|          |                           |
|----------|---------------------------|
| PUBLIC   | Channel conversation only |
| MSG      | MSGs only                 |
| NOTICE   | NOTICES only              |
| WALL     | WALLs only                |
| * WALLOP | WALLOPs only              |
| NOTE     | NOTE only                 |
| CRAP     | Is not used.              |

See SET LASTLOG\_LEVEL for more on these levels

## 1.260 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET BEEP\_WHEN\_AWAY [value]

This sets the number of beeps that you will hear when you receive a message while you are /AWAY. Setting the value to 0 means you will hear no beeps.

## 1.261 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET CHANNEL\_NAME\_WIDTH <value>

Lets you adjust the amount of space used to display channel names in the LIST and NAMES output and in the status line of IRCII. If CHANNEL\_NAME\_WIDTH is set to 0, no channel width formatting is performed and channel names are displayed at full width.

## 1.262 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET CLOCK [ON|OFF|TOGGLE]

Turns ON or OFF the status line clock. The clock can be set to show 24 hour time as well as 12 hour time (See HELP SET CLOCK\_24HOUR). You can also set an alarm to warn you of the time (See HELP SET CLOCK\_ALARM).

## 1.263 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET CLOCK\_24HOUR [ON|OFF|TOGGLE]

When ON, the status line clock will be displayed in 24 hour format. When OFF, the status line clock will be displayed in 12 hour format with either AM or PM after it.

## 1.264 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET CLOCK\_ALARM [time|OFF]

Sets an alarm clock that will beep and send you a message when the time arrives. The time format may be either 12 hour format (with AM or PM) or 24 hour format. The CLOCK does not have to be ON for the alarm to function.

## 1.265 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET CMDCHARS <character set>

Sets the set of characters which may be used to specify a command to IRCII. You can specify as many characters as you wish to be command characters.

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## 1.266 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: /set COMMAND\_MODE ON|OFF

This switch was designed for those who are used to MUDs and computer freaks who like command oriented environments. It will disable the command character! Every input of yours will be expected to be a command. If you want to send something to your current channel or query, you'll have to type "send <text>" or "'<text>". "say <text>" will always send to the channel even if you're in a query. With ":<text>" you get the same effect as with "me <text>".

The "'" and ":" abbreviations are introduced for MUD compatibility and are only available in COMMAND\_MODE.

See Also:

- SAY
- SEND
- LOAD ACTION
- LOAD MUMLIKE
- ME

## 1.267 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET CONTINUED\_LINE <some text>

This allows you to change the text which is displayed when a line is greater than than width of the screen. By default, this text is a +, and each line greater than the screens width will have this prepended to all lines after the first. You may use CONTINUED\_LINE in conjunction with INDENT, or you may disable the CONTINUED\_LINE character by setting it to <EMPTY>.

See Also:

- SET INDENT

## 1.268 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET DISPLAY [ON|OFF|TOGGLE]

Turns ON or OFF all output. It can be useful to SET DISPLAY OFF at the beginning of your .ircrc so you don't have to see everything it does every time you start irc. Just remember to SET DISPLAY ON again at the end of your .ircrc. NOTE: Setting this variable produces no visible result on the screen!

## 1.269 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET ENCRYPT\_PROGRAM <encryption program path>

Sets the program used to encrypt and decrypt messages. The program selected must take an encryption key as the first command line argument to work with IRCII.

## 1.270 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET EXEC\_PROTECTION [ON|OFF|TOGGLE]

If you saw a warning message telling you to read this, beware! If anyone on irc told you that typing `"/ON ^MSG * $1-` or `"/ON ^MSG <nick> $1-` would speed things up or otherwise make life better for you, they are lying. The above commands allow people to send you MSGs and have them executed as commands by your IRCII. This can be a major security problem, since the person who told you to do this can then execute any command you could, including EXEC commands. This would give them control over your account while you are on irc.

Anyway, if you did see this warning, it could be that someone is trying to abuse your account. But, don't worry, the EXEC command that it warned you about was not executed. If you are unsure about what is going on, please contact your local irc operator for help.

If you know what you're doing, you can set EXEC\_PROTECTION to OFF and EXEC will be allowed within ON commands. Only do this if you are sure you understand what is going on.

## 1.271 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET FLOOD\_AFTER <number of messages>

Used in conjunction with ON FLOOD, this lets you specify the number of flooding messages you will see before ON FLOOD is activated.

See Also:

- ON FLOOD
- SET FLOOD\_RATE
- SET FLOOD\_USERS

## 1.272 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET FLOOD\_RATE <messages per second>

FLOOD\_RATE can be set to the number of messages per second you wish to activate flooding. If messages from a user outpace FLOOD\_RATE for FLOOD\_AFTER number of messages, ON FLOOD is activated. If FLOOD\_RATE is larger than FLOOD\_AFTER, then you will end up seeing at least FLOOD\_RATE messages before flood activation (If FLOOD\_RATE is 5 and FLOOD\_AFTER is 3 then you must receive at least 5 messages before the flood rate can be 5 messages per second).

See Also:

- ON FLOOD
- SET FLOOD\_AFTER
- SET FLOOD\_USERS

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## 1.273 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET FLOOD\_USERS <number of users to monitor>

FLOOD\_USERS sets the maximum number of users you can have flood protection from at one time. If this number is too large, you may see performance degradations and the flood protection might not work as well as it should.

See Also:

ON FLOOD  
SET FLOOD\_RATE  
SET FLOOD\_AFTER

## 1.274 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET FLOOD\_WARNING [ON|OFF|TOGGLE]

If ON, you will see a warning when flood protection is activated. This is used in conjunction with:

```
/ON ^FLOOD *
```

which otherwise will simply cut off flooding messages without a warning to you.

See Also:

ON FLOOD

## 1.275 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET FULL\_STATUS\_LINE <ON|OFF|TOGGLE>

When ON, IRCII will always draw it's status line to fill the entire width of the screen. When OFF, the status line will only be as long as it needs to be to accomodate the displayed information.

## 1.276 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET HELP\_PAGER [ON|OFF|TOGGLE]

When set to OFF, the HELP function will not use it's built in paging mechanism but will use the normal window paging (hold mode). If ON, then help uses it's own pager.

## 1.277 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET HELP\_WINDOW [ON|OFF|TOGGLE]

This will cause the HELP function to create a new window for displaying help. If OFF, the current window will be used.

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## 1.278 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET HIDE\_PRIVATE\_CHANNELS [ON|OFF|TOGGLE]

When ON, this will suppress display in your status line of channels whose mode is +s (secret) or +p (private). When OFF, channels are shown as usual in the status line.

## 1.279 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET HISTORY <value>

Sets the size of the command history circular buffer. Setting HISTORY to zero disables the command history functions unless you have HISTORY\_FILE set. You must disable HISTORY\_FILE to completely turn off command history.

See Also:

SET HISTORY\_FILE

## 1.280 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET HISTORY\_FILE <path for history file>

If HISTORY\_FILE is set, then the command history is saved in this file rather than in memory. The advantage to this is that the size of this file is limited by your disk space and doesn't increase the memory usage of IRCII. The disadvantage is that history access might be slower (or it might not). To disable the HISTORY\_FILE, set it to <EMPTY>. To completely disable the command history functions, you must also set HISTORY to 0.

See Also:

SET HISTORY

## 1.281 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET HOLD\_MODE [ON|OFF|TOGGLE]

When ON, IRCII will pause at the end of each page of output. Output will continue when the TOGGLE\_STOP\_SCREEN function is activated (bound, by default, to cntl-S) or when the SEND\_LINE function is activated (bound, by default, to the Return or Enter key).

See Also:

SET STATUS\_HOLD

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## 1.282 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET HOLD\_MODE\_MAX <number of lines>

This specifies the maximum number of lines that will be held in HOLD\_MODE before the display is automatically restarted. If HOLD\_MODE\_MAX is 0, the number of lines held in HOLD\_MODE is unlimited.

## 1.283 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET INDENT [ON|OFF|TOGGLE]

Setting INDENT to ON will cause lines of text that are longer than the screen width to be indented so that all lines after the first start underneath the second word in the first line. That's a long sentence, but that's what it does. If you also have CONTINUED\_LINE set, this will pad the CONTINUED\_LINE characters out to the second word in the first line, unless CONTINUED\_LINE is longer. CONTINUED\_LINE will not be truncated. To disable the CONTINUED\_LINE, set it to <EMPTY>. INDENT will never indent beyond 1/3 the width of the screen.

See Also:

SET CONTINUED\_LINE

## 1.284 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET INPUT\_ALIASES [ON|OFF|TOGGLE]

Turns ON or OFF the expanding of aliases in the inputline, .ircrc and LOAded files. If you set INPUT\_ALIASES ON and type:  
/ECHO \$\$

you will see your server name echoed to your window. If it is OFF, you will see \$\$ echoed to your window. If you turn this on in your .ircrc, it is usually advisable to do it as one of the last lines in your .ircrc, otherwise other occurrences of \$ in your .ircrc may expand out strangely.

NOTE: If you do turn on INPUT\_ALIASES in the .ircrc then the argument expandos (\$\*, \$0, \$1, \$3-4, etc) will expand to the command line arguments passed to IRCII on startup.

## 1.285 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET INPUT\_PROMPT <input prompt string>

Allows you to change the prompt that will be displayed in the input line before any text you type. Normally, there is no prompt, but you can specify any string. To turn off a prompt, set INPUT\_PROMPT to <empty>.

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## 1.286 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET INSERT\_MODE [ON|OFF|TOGGLE]

Turns ON or OFF insert mode. While on, characters typed are inserted into already existing text. When off, new characters overwrite existing ones. The TAB key toggles this variable.

## 1.287 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET INVERSE\_VIDEO [ON|OFF|TOGGLE]

When OFF, inverse video sent to your display by using the ^B character will not show up in inverse. This will not affect the status line or input line.

## 1.288 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET LASTLOG <value>

Sets the size of the lastlog buffer (See HELP LASTLOG). This buffer keeps an in memory record of messages sent and received. If LASTLOG is set to 0, the lastlog function is disabled.

## 1.289 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET LASTLOG\_LEVEL [ALL|NONE|[-]<level> [-]<level> ...]

The setting of this variable determines which types of messages are stored in the lastlog. If ALL is specified, everything that shows up on the screen is saved in the lastlog. If NONE is specified, nothing is saved in the lastlog. The <level> specification can be one of the following:

|   |          |                                              |
|---|----------|----------------------------------------------|
|   | PUBLIC   | Channel conversation                         |
|   | MSGS     | Private messages                             |
|   | NOTICES  | NOTICES                                      |
|   | WALLS    | WALLs                                        |
| * | WALLOPS  | WALLOPs                                      |
|   | NOTE     | NOTEs                                        |
| * | OPNOTES  | Operator notifications                       |
|   | SNOTES   | Server notices                               |
|   | ACTIONS  | In and outgoing CTCP ACTION lines            |
|   | USERLOG1 | Reserved for the user                        |
|   | USERLOG2 | Reserved for the user                        |
|   | USERLOG3 | Reserved for the user                        |
|   | USERLOG4 | Reserved for the user                        |
|   | CRAP     | Anything not covered by the above categories |

You can combine these on a command line to make the lastlog save just what you want. Also, by putting a - before any level, you remove that one from the list. For example, if you wish to save everything except NOTES and all that CRAP, you could do:

```
    SET LASTLOG_LEVEL ALL -NOTE -CRAP
which is the same as doing:
-   SET LASTLOG_LEVEL PUBLIC MSG NOTICE WALL ACTIONS
*   SET LASTLOG_LEVEL PUBLIC MSG NOTICE WALL WALLOP OPNOTES ACTIONS
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## 1.290 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET LOG [ON|OFF|TOGGLE]  
Turns the session log ON or OFF. While ON, a record of your IRC session is recorded to file (see HELP SET LOGFILE). When OFF, no log is made. This log will contain everything that appears on your screen, no matter what window, in the order it comes in. To log an individual window, use the:  
WINDOW LOG [ON|OFF|TOGGLE]  
command. See HELP WINDOW.

## 1.291 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET LOGFILE <filename>  
Sets the name of the file to be used for the session log. New session log messages are appended to the end of this file.  
See Also:  
SET LOG

## 1.292 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET MAIL [0|1|2]  
When non zero, you will be informed when you have new mail. This is your real unix mail and not irc-mail. An indicator will light up in your status line and a message will be sent to your screen telling you about the new mail. If set to 2, the more significant headers from the mail are shown.

See Also:  
ON MAIL  
SET STATUS\_MAIL

## 1.293 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET MINIMUM\_SERVERS <number of servers>  
When connecting to a server, this variable is checked versus the number of servers currently connected to the ircnet. If the number of servers is less than the setting of MINIMUM\_SERVERS, you will automatically be disconnected from that server and IRCII will attempt to connect to the next server in you server list (as though you had done /SERVER +). This is useful if the net is fragmented to keep you on a more

populated portion of the net. This will be rechecked if you issue a /LUSERS. This will only affect your primary server. Secondary servers are not checked vs this variable.

See Also:

SET MINIMUM\_USERS  
SERVER  
LUSERS  
IRCII SERVER\_LIST

## 1.294 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET MINIMUM\_USERS <number of users>

When connecting to a server, this variable is checked versus the number of users currently connected to the ircnet. If the number of users is less than the setting of MINIMUM\_USERS, you will automatically be disconnected from that server and IRCII will attempt to connect to the next server in you server list (as though you had some /SERVER +). This is useful if the net is fragmented to keep you on a more populated portion of the net. This will be rechecked if you issue a /LUSERS. This only affects your primary server. Secondary servers are not affected by this variable.

See Also:

SET MINIMUM\_SERVERS  
SERVER  
LUSERS  
IRCII SERVER\_LIST

## 1.295 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET NOTIFY\_ON\_TERMINATION [ON|OFF|TOGGLE]

When ON, all EXEC'ed processes will inform you when they exit. You will be told which process is exiting and the reason it exited. If termination was normal, you will receive the exit status code. If termination was by signal, you will be told which signal. If OFF, you will not be informed when processes exit.

## 1.296 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET NOVICE [ON|OFF|TOGGLE]

The NOVICE variable causes IRCII to disallow certain actions by the user (such as ON commands) and to show a request to read the NEWUSER help file on startup. It is set to ON by default, and should normally be turned off in your .ircrc file

See Also:

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ON  
NEWUSER

## 1.297 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET PAUSE\_AFTER\_MOTD [ON|OFF|TOGGLE]

When ON, this will cause IRCII to wait for a keystroke after the local IRCII motd is displayed then clear the screen and continue. If OFF, the local motd will be displayed, immediately followed by the server banners and motds. If there is no local IRCII motd, this variable has no effect. PAUSE\_AFTER\_MOTD only works for the IRCII motds and *\*not\** for server motds.

## 1.298 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET SCROLL [ON|OFF|TOGGLE]

Turns ON or OFF screen scrolling. While OFF, when the cursor reaches the bottom of the screen, it jumps to the top and overwrites its way back down. This mode is recommended for *\*extremely\** dumb terminals. When ON, the screen will scroll old information off the top.

## 1.299 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET SCROLL\_LINES [number of screen lines to scroll]

This allows you to set the number of lines the screen will scroll each time the cursor reaches the bottom of the screen. If SCROLL\_LINES is set to 0, the SCROLL is turned OFF as well, and must be turned back on before scrolling can be resumed. The maximum number of lines that may be scrolled is the size of the display (the number of lines on the screen minus 2). Negative numbers are automatically changed to positive.

## 1.300 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET SEND\_IGNORE\_MSG [ON|OFF|TOGGLE]

When OFF, prevents the sending of "You are being ignored" messages when you /IGNORE someone. When ON, these messages are sent when then /IGNORE is initiated for PRIVATE or ALL messages.

## 1.301 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET SHELL <shell path>

Sets the name of the shell to be used by the EXEC command.

Normally, this would be a standard csh or sh, but you can make it anything you like.

See Also:

SET SHELL\_FLAGS

SET SHELL\_LIMIT

EXEC

### 1.302 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET SHELL\_FLAGS <flags>

Sets any additional flags that the shell (set with SET SHELL) might need.

### 1.303 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET SHELL\_LIMIT <value>

Sets the maximum number of lines of output from any EXEC'd process. This is useful to prevent yourself from accidentally starting a process with EXEC that spits out soooo much output that everything you know and love grinds to a halt. Setting it to 0 puts no limit on the number of output lines from a process.

### 1.304 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET SHOW\_CHANNEL\_NAMES [ON|OFF|TOGGLE]

When ON, this will show the names of all the users on a channel when you join it. When OFF, no names will be displayed.

### 1.305 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET SHOW\_END\_OF\_MSGS [ON|OFF|TOGGLE]

When ON, tells IRC II to display the "End of list" messages for the /NAMES, /LIST, /LINKS, and other commands. When OFF, no "End of list" messages are displayed.

### 1.306 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET SHOW\_NUMERICS [ON|OFF|TOGGLE]

If ON, then any numeric protocol messages from the server will have their corresponding number shown on the line.

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### 1.307 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET STATUS\_AWAY <Status line text when in away>

The contents of STATUS\_AWAY are replaced in the STATUS\_FORMAT variable for any occurrence of %A while you are away. If you are not away, %A is replaced by nothing.

### 1.308 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET STATUS\_CHANNEL <Status line text for display of channel>

The contents of STATUS\_CHANNEL are replaced in the STATUS\_FORMAT variable for any occurrence of %C.

This variable may contain any text, plus it may contain a single occurrence of %C, which is replaced by the name or the number of the channel you are currently on.

### 1.309 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET STATUS\_CLOCK <text of display for status line clock>

The value of STATUS\_CLOCK is replaced in the STATUS\_FORMAT variable for any occurrence of %T if CLOCK is ON. If CLOCK is OFF, nothing is displayed for %T in STATUS\_FORMAT. Also, the STATUS\_CLOCK variable may contain one occurrence of %T which will be replaced with the current time of day in the string.

### 1.310 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET STATUS\_DQUERY <Status line text when DCC querying>

This variable is replaced in the STATUS\_FORMAT for occurrences of %Q when you are DCC querying someone. This variable may contain any text, plus it may contain a single occurrence of %D, which is replaced by the name of the user you are DCC querying. For example, you can set STATUS\_DQUERY to "DQuerying %D", where %D is replaced by a the DCC query nickname.

### 1.311 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET STATUS\_FORMAT <format description for status line>

Setting the variable allows you to alter the appearance of the status line. Certain special characters are recognized in this format line and replaced with various bits of status line information. Each of these special characters is preceded by a '%'. Here is a list of these characters:

|   |                                    |
|---|------------------------------------|
| N | Your current nickname.             |
| C | Your current channel.              |
| R | Current window refnum or name.     |
| W | Value of STATUS_WINDOW variable. * |

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+      Value of STATUS_MODE variable. *
Q      Value of STATUS_QUERY variable. *
I      Value of STATUS_INSERT variable. *
S      Value of STATUS_SERVER variable. *
O      Value of STATUS_OVERWRITE variables. *
A      Value of STATUS_AWAY variable. *
T      Value of STATUS_CLOCK variable. *
U      Value of STATUS_USER variable. *
H      Value of STATUS_HOLD variable. *
*      Value of STATUS_OPER variable. *
M      Value of STATUS_MAIL variable. *
V      Current IRCII version
%      Replaced by %

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Those marked with \* are only displayed in the status line when certain conditions are met. Please get help on the variables mentioned above for specifics about each one.

For example, the standard default IRCII status line format looks like this:

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*** IRCII: /HELP for help %H%N%* Channel %C%Q (%I%O) %A%T***
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The %H is replaced by the value of STATUS\_HOLD if display output is stopped (See SET HOLD\_MODE), otherwise nothing is displayed. %N is replaced by your current nickname. %\* is replaced by the value of STATUS\_OPER if you have operator status. %C is replaced by your current channel. %Q is replaced by the value of STATUS\_QUERY if you are querying someone, otherwise nothing is displayed. %I is replaced by the value of STATUS\_INSERT if you are in insert mode. %O is replaced by the value of STATUS\_OVERWRITE if you are not in insert mode. %A is replaced by the contents of STATUS\_AWAY if you are away. %T is replaced by the current time of day of the variable CLOCK is ON.

See Also:

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SET STATUS_WINDOW
SET STATUS_MODE
SET STATUS_QUERY
SET STATUS_INSERT
SET STATUS_OVERWRITE
SET STATUS_AWAY
SET STATUS_CLOCK
SET STATUS_HOLD
SET STATUS_SERVER
SET STATUS_OPER
SET STATUS_USER
SET STATUS_MAIL
SET STATUS_NOTIFY
SET HOLD_MODE
SET CLOCK

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## 1.312 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET STATUS\_HOLD <text of display for status line hold mode>  
The value of STATUS\_HOLD is replaced in the STATUS\_FORMAT variable for any occurrence of %H if the display is current on hold (See SET HOLD\_MODE). If the display is not on hold, %H is replaced with nothing.

### 1.313 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET STATUS\_INSERT <Status line text when in insert mode>  
The content of STATUS\_INSERT are replaced in the STATUS\_FORMAT variable for any occurrence of %I while INSERT\_MODE is ON. If INSERT\_MODE is OFF, nothing is displayed for %I.

### 1.314 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET STATUS\_MAIL <Status line text when you have mail>  
The contents of STATUS\_MAIL are replaced in the STATUS\_FORMAT variable for any occurrence of %M while you get new mail. The STATUS\_MAIL may contain occurrences of %M which will be replaced by the total number of mail messages you have. If you have no mail, %M is replaced by nothing in the STATUS\_FORMAT.

### 1.315 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET STATUS\_MODE <text displayed for channel mode>  
The value of STATUS\_MODE is replaced in the STATUS\_FORMAT variable for an occurrence of %+ if the window's current channel has any of the mode settings active. The STATUS\_MODE variable may contain one occurrence of %+ which will be replaced with the current channel mode (if applicable).

### 1.316 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET STATUS\_NOTIFY <Status line text>  
The contents of STATUS\_NOTIFY are replaced in the STATUS\_FORMAT variable for any occurrence of %F when there has been activity in a hidden window. STATUS\_NOTIFY may contain occurrences of %F which will be replaced by the list of windows in which there has been activity. If there has been no activity in hidden windows, %F is replaced by nothing in the STATUS\_FORMAT.

### 1.317 Set a variable to set up IRC

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Usage: SET STATUS\_OPER <text of display for status line operator mode>  
The value of STATUS\_OPER is replaced in the STATUS\_FORMAT variable for any occurrence of %\* if you have operator status. If you are not an operator, %\* is replaced with nothing.

Usage: SET STATUS\_OVERWRITE <Status line text when in overwrite mode>  
The content of STATUS\_OVERWRITE are replaced in the STATUS\_FORMAT variable for any occurrence of %O while INSERT\_MODE is OFF. If INSERT\_MODE is ON, nothing is displayed for %O.

### 1.318 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET STATUS\_OVERWRITE <Status line text when in overwrite mode>  
The content of STATUS\_OVERWRITE are replaced in the STATUS\_FORMAT variable for any occurrence of %O while INSERT\_MODE is OFF. If INSERT\_MODE is ON, nothing is displayed for %O.

### 1.319 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET STATUS\_QUERY <Status line text when querying>  
This variable is replaced in the STATUS\_FORMAT for occurrences of %Q when you are querying someone. This variable may contain any text, plus it may contain a single occurrence of %Q, which is replaced by the name of the user you are querying. For example, you can set STATUS\_QUERY to "Querying %Q", where %Q is replaced by a the query nickname.

### 1.320 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET STATUS\_SERVER <Status line text for display of server>  
The value of STATUS\_SERVER is replaced in the STATUS\_FORMAT variable for any occurrence of %S.  
This variable may contain any text, plus it may contain a single occurrence of %S , which is replaced by the server you are currently on.

### 1.321 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET STATUS\_USER <text of status line user information>  
The value of STATUS\_USER is replaced in the STATUS\_FORMAT variable for any occurrence of %U. If STATUS\_USER is set to <EMPTY>, nothing will be replaced for %U.

### 1.322 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET STATUS\_WINDOW <text displayed in current window status line>

The value of STATUS\_WINDOW is replaced in the STATUS\_FORMAT variable for an occurrence of %W if the window is the current window. If the window is not the current window (or if there is only one window visible), then %W is replaced with nothing.

### 1.323 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET SUPPRESS\_SERVER\_MOTD [ON|OFF|TOGGLE]

This will prevent you from seeing the motd from the server when you connect to a server. This is not to be confused with the IRCII motd which your installation may or may not have. You will still see the server motd if you use the /MOTD command.

### 1.324 Set a variable to set up IRC

Usage: SET WARN\_OF\_IGNORES [ON|OFF|TOGGLE]

Turns OFF or ON warning messages that occur when you try to send a message to a nickname that you are ignoring. When ON, you get a warning each time you attempt this. When OFF, you get no warning.

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