



Byobu

Advanced Terminal Multiplexing

Why Multiplex Terminals?

- Over SSH, multiplexing lets you open more than one program at a time without logging in again.
- Locally, multiplexing lets you easily open more terminal programs, and juxtapose them easily. You also avoid spawning tons of xterms.

What terminal multiplexers exist?

- **GNU Screen** (Archetypal. Released 1987.)
- **Tmux** (because 36 year old codebases make maintainers cry blood)
- **neercs** (great for terminal-only machines)
- **Byobu** (as a front end to other multiplexers)
- **Splitvt** (last updated Jan. 2001)
- **dvtm+dtatch** (light, acts like a tiling wm)

Why should I call my multiplexer with Byobu?

- Great keyboard shortcut list based on Fkeys.
- Customizable status bar at the bottom.
- Curses config for built-in options.
- Allows you to easily switch backends.
- **BETTER SHORTCUTS GO FASTER**

Faster? I don't believe you.



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dmorris@lucifer:~$ Type 'contributors()' for more information and
'citation()' on how to cite R or R packages in publications.
Type 'demo()' for some demos, 'help()' for on-line help, or
'help.start()' for an HTML browser interface to help.
Type 'q()' to quit R.

[Previously saved workspace restored]
>

There should be one-- and preferably only one --obvious way to do it.
Although that way may not be obvious at first unless you're Dutch.
Now is better than never.
Although never is often better than *right* now.
If the implementation is hard to explain, it's a bad idea.
If the implementation is easy to explain, it may be a good idea.
Namespaces are one honking great idea -- Let's do more of those!
>>>
dmorris@lucifer:~$
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Cool, but where's the keystroke list?

- <http://bazaar.launchpad.net/~kirkland/byobu/trunk/view/head:/usr/share/byobu/keybindings/f-keys.tmux>
- `/usr/share/byobu/keybindings/f-keys.tmux`
- But customize `~/.byobu/keybindings.tmux`
Or I'll take you off wheel if I'm the admin.
- Plus, you'll be able to easily take your personal shortcuts to any shell server with Byobu.