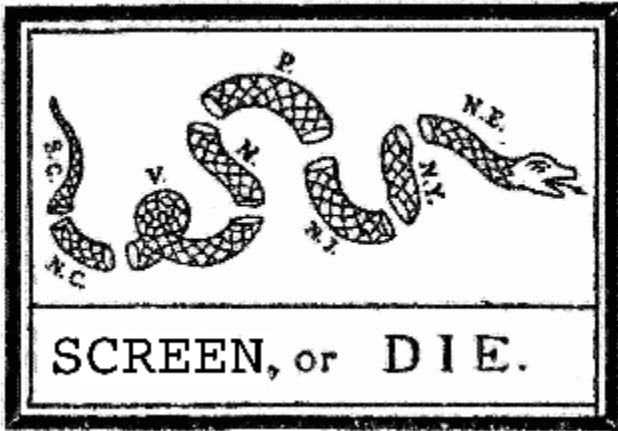


IRC Primer



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Using screen

To start, type in `screen`

Action	keys
create a new window	C-a c
detach from a session	C-a d
reattach an existing, detached screen session	screen -r
create a new screen session	screen
list all windows	C-a "
switch to the previous window	C-a C-a
See commands	C-a ?

We want you to use screen.

We do not care if you use ERC, irssi, or Chatzilla as your IRC client. However, we do get annoyed at numerous join/part messages. With screen + irssi-proxy, you can use whatever client you want. It has an added bonus of being able to see what people have been talking about while your gone.

Start a screen session on a server (that will be up constantly like pinball.ccs or linux-login.ccs or linux.ccs) with the command `screen`.

How to turn off the annoying flashes

`C-a :` drops you into the command prompt for the screen session. Type in `vbell off` to turn off the visual bell off. This means that screen will scream at you. For remote screen sessions, this shouldn't be a problem.

irssi-proxy

irssi is an IRC client that has the capability to proxy connections. [Here](#) is a better description. Also, the documentation: <http://www.irssi.org/documentation/proxy>.

1. Start `screen`
2. Start `irssi`
3. Connect/Join the channels you want with (`/connect` and `/join`)
4. `/load proxy`
5. `/set irssiproxy_password secret`
6. `/set irssiproxy_ports irc=2777 efnet=2778 freenode=2779*`

7. Detach with `C-a d`

8. From an IRC client, connect to the proxies using the ports you specified.

*N.B. Choose different ports if those are taken.