Ubuntu cheat sheet

New shortcuts

Note: Windows key is called "Super" in Ubuntu world.

Super + A	Display recently used and installed applications
Super + F	Display files and folders
Super + V	Display media files
Super + M	Display music files
Super + T	Open Trash can
Ctrl + H	Display hidden files in file manager
Super + L	Lock the PC
Ctrl + Super + D	Minimize everything to show desktop
Ctrl + Alt + T	Open terminal

You can configure your own keyboard shortcuts by pressing Super and writing keyboard. Select Shortcuts tab and find the command you want to edit.

Desktop

Alt + F1	Open Applications menu
Alt + F2	Run an application by typing its name
Print Screen	Take a screenshot of whole screen
Alt + Print Screen	Take a screenshot of the current windows
Shift + Print Screen	Take a screenshot of a selected rectangle on the screen

Windows

Alt + Tab	Switch between open windows
Ctrl + Alt + Tab	Switch between currently-open windows in all Workspaces
Ctrl + Alt + Left arrow / Right arrow	Quickly switch between Workspaces

Shortcuts below may not work on every machine but they're quite common.

Alt + F7	Move current window
Alt + F8	Resize current window
Alt + F9	Minimize current window
Alt + F10	Maximize current window

Alt + Space	Bring up window menu with with 'Always on Top' and 'Minimize' and 'Maximize' and above commands

Shortcuts below may behave different depending on the application, but works on most applications.

Alt + F5	Return window to "normal" or previous size
Alt + F4	Close the window

When Desktop Effects enabled

Ctrl + Alt + Left arrow / Right arrow	Spins the 'cube' that your workspaces reside on, allowing you to select the workspace you wish to use
Ctrl + Alt + Up arrow	Enables an 'expose' like feature that presents you with all the windows you currently have open, allowing you to select the one you wish to give focus to
Ctrl + Alt + Down arrow	Unfolds your workspace cube allowing you to see more than one of your workspaces at once, using the left and right cursor keys with this active will allow you to select the workspace you wish to use
Ctrl + Alt + Tab	Switch between currently-open windows across all workspaces.
Super + W	Enables the 'scale' effect, it shows all windows from the current workspace
Super + A	Enables the 'scale' effect, it shows all windows from all workspaces
Super + N	Invert colours of the focused window
Super + M	Invert colours for the whole screen
Super + Wheel up and wheel down	Zooms in on the screen
Super + Middle click	Select a region to zoom into, using a rectangle.
Ctrl + Super + D	Toggles 'Show Desktop'
Alt + Middle click	Resize focused window
Alt + Left click	Move focused window

Alt + Right click	Show window menu
Super + S	Zoom out, show workspace switcher

Common application shortcuts

Ctrl + C	Copy the selected text/object
Ctrl + X	Cut the selected text/object
Ctrl + V	Paste/insert the selected text/object
Ctrl + A	Select all text
Ctrl + B	Make the selected text bold
Ctrl + I	Make the selected text italic
Ctrl + U	Underline the selected text
Ctrl + N	Open a new document or window
Ctrl + S	Save the current document
Ctrl + O	Open another document
Ctrl + P	Print the current document
Ctrl + Z	Undo the last change you made
Ctrl + Shift + Z	Redo a change that you just undid

System shortcuts

Ctrl + Alt + Del	Restart the computer immediately, without saving open files
Ctrl + Alt + +	(numeric keypad) Rotate through supported screen resolutions
Ctrl + Alt + -	(numeric keypad) Rotate backwards through supported screen resolutions

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