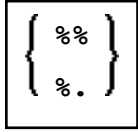# %% and %. - Interrupt Current Operation

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{ %%  }
{ %.  }
```

These terminal commands can be used to interrupt the current operation.

This chapter covers the following topics:

- %% in Online Mode

- %% in Batch Mode

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**Note:**
The terminal commands `%%` and `%.` will be ignored if the profile parameter `ESCAPE` is set to `OFF`.

## %% in Online Mode

If you enter `%%` in any field on the screen, the currently active Natural program will be terminated immediately and Natural will return to command input mode. If you enter `%%` in command input mode, the Natural session will terminated (equivalent to the Natural system command `FIN`).

`%%` has the following effects:

- The contents of the Natural stack will be deleted.

- Any logical database transaction currently being processed is backed out.

- The source program currently in the work area of the editor will not be affected.

## %% in Batch Mode

In batch mode, `%%` may be used to set restart points in the input files and thus ensure the synchronisation of the input files in the case of an error.

**Influence of Profile Parameter CC**

| Command | Function |
|---|---|
| CC=ON | If the Natural profile parameter CC is set and an error occurs during the compilation/execution of a Natural program in batch mode, the input data stream for the SYNIN and OBJIN input files will be flushed until a line containing %% in the first two positions is encountered (if no %% is encountered, it will be flushed until the end-of-file is reached). In addition, the contents of the Natural stack will be deleted.<br><br>If more data are available in the input stream, Natural resumes processing with the line after %%. |
| CC=OFF | Any %% in the input data will be ignored. |

# %. in Online Mode

Online, %. is the same as %%, except that the Natural stack is not deleted.

# %. in Batch Mode

In batch mode, %. causes reading of input values for the current INPUT statement to be terminated.