

## SQLplus tricks

- see the last command you typed (the command buffer)  
`list`
- execute the command buffer  
`run`
- edit a command you just typed (edits the command buffer)  
`edit`
- execute a command (must end in ;)  
simply type the command number (1 by default)
- require screen to stop after each page of output  
`set pause on`
- set the page size to <nn>  
`set pagesize <nn>`
- find out what tables are available  
`select table_name from tabs`  
Note: in MySQL the same information can be obtained with  
`show tables`
- get information about a table (i.e. it's schema)  
`describe <table>`
- stop a command that's running for too long  
Ctrl-C
- run system commands  
`host <command>`  
e.g.  
`host ls`
- redirect screen output to a file (including everything you type)

`spool 'file.txt'`

when done, stop writing to file

`spool off`