

Command Comparison Chart for Orbit and STN

Basic Commands

Function	ORBIT Command	STN Command (1)
Enter a file or files	FILE (file name) FILE (file1)(file2)	FILE (file name)(2) FILE (file1)(file2)
View terms online in the Basic Index in other indexes	NEIGHBOR [NBR] NEIGHBOR (term)/code	EXPAND [E] EXPAND (term)/code (3) NEIGHBOR [NBR]
Search in the Basic Index in other indexes	No command needed; enter the search term or term/code	SEARCH [S] S (term)/code (3) No command needed if you enter => SET AUTOSEARCH ON
Display answers online	PRINT [PRT]	DISPLAY [D] (4)
Request answers to be mailed delivered electronically delivered to an electronic address	PRINT OFFLINE PRINT ELECTRONIC MAIL	PRINT OFFLINE (4) PRINT ONLINE PRINT EMAIL
Display online history	HISTORY [HIS]	D HISTORY
Display cost of online session	COST	D COST
End online session with temporary hold	STOP Y STOP H (45 minutes)	LOG Y LOGOFF HOLD (60 minutes)
Truncation symbols		
Zero or more at the end of a term	:	? (5)
Internal character masking	#	!
Zero or one character at the end of a term	#	#

- (1) For online information on any STN command, enter HELP followed by the command name at an arrow prompt, e.g., => HELP SDI.
- (2) Enter HELP FILENAMES for a list of STN files. Enter HELP CLUSTER for a list of file clusters on STN.
- (3) Enter HELP SFIELDS at an arrow prompt in a file for a list of search fields and codes in the file.
- (4) Enter HELP DFIELDS at an arrow prompt in a file for a list of display fields in the file. Enter HELP FORMAT in the file for a list of predefined display formats.
- (5) Left truncation is available in full-text files and other select files on STN. Enter HELP SFIELDS at an arrow prompt in a file for more information.

Other Options

Option	ORBIT Command	STN Command
For searching		
Run multifile trial search	INDEX (file1) (file 2)	INDEX (file1)(file2)
Search for all family members for a patent	FPAT	FSEARCH
For manipulating answers		
Analyze answers	GET	SELECT (6); DISPLAY SELECT
Extract search terms from answers	PRINT SELECT	SELECT (6)
Identify duplicates	PRINT GROUP	DUPLICATE IDE
Remove duplicates	PRINT EXCL DUPS	DUPLICATE REMOVE
Sort answer sets	SORT	SORT
Order original documents	ORDER	ORDER
For saving items		
Save search statements permanently	STORE (search name)	SAVE (name)/Q SAVE (name)/L
Save search statements temporarily	SAVE (search name)	SAVE TEMP (name)/Q SAVE TEMP (name)/L
Search saved search statements	EXECUTE (search name)	SEARCH
Remove saved search statements	PURGE (search name)	DELETE (name)/Q DELETE (name)/L PURGE (name)/Q PURGE (name)/L
For automatic current-awareness search		
	SDI	SDI (7)
For setting system parameters		
	TERM (parameter)	SET (parameter) (8)

- (6) Enter HELP SELECT and HELP SMARTSELECT at an arrow prompt for more information about this feature. Enter HELP EFIELDS at an arrow prompt in the file for a list of valid fields.
- (7) Enter HELP SDI at an arrow prompt for more information. Enter SDI and answer the prompts.
- (8) Enter HELP SET at an arrow prompt for a list of SET options.