

# Invoking and Terminating Natural Sessions

## Related Topics:

- Executing Commands and Menu Function
- Overview - Natural Operations for Mainframe documentation
- Natural in Batch Mode - Natural Operations for Mainframe documentation

Natural can be invoked for online or batch mode execution.

The way you invoke Natural depends on your local system environment. Ask your Natural administrator for details. If Natural Security is installed, the access to some libraries as well as the use of some functions can be restricted.

The section below contains information on terminating Natural sessions:

- Terminating a Natural Online Session
  - Terminating a Natural Batch Session
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## Terminating a Natural Online Session

The methods described below relate to the default standards as delivered with the original Natural software.

 **To terminate a Natural online session, use any of the following methods**

- On the Natural Main Menu:
  - Choose PF3/Exit or choose Exit Natural Session.
  - Or, in the command line, enter:  
A period (.).  
Or the system command FIN.  
Or the terminal command %%.
- At the NEXT prompt:
  - Enter the system command FIN.  
Or enter the terminal command %%.  
Or choose CLEAR or an equivalent key.
- At the MORE prompt:
  - Enter the system command FIN.  
Or enter the terminal command %%.
- From within a Natural program:  
Execute a Natural program that contains a TERMINATE statement.

## Terminating a Natural Batch Session

A Natural batch-mode session will be terminated when one of the following is encountered during the session:

- A FIN system command in the input dataset,
- An end-of-input condition in the command input dataset CMSYNIN,
- A TERMINATE statement in a Natural program that is being executed.