

Main View

j	Jump to maildir folder
s	Enter a mu find search string (see below)
C	Compose a new email
bx	Run bookmark x
;	Switch context
U	Update email and mu database
q	Quit mu4e

Movement

Header and Message View

n,p	Move to next, prior
],[Move to next, prior unread
y	Move between header and message view
q	Leave view

Header View

RET	Open message at point
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Message View

PgDn, RET, SPC	Scroll down
PgUp, S - SPC	Scroll up
M - RET	Open attachment or URL at point

Searching

Header and Message View

s	Enter new search string
/	Narrow search within current result set
b	Run a bookmark search
B	Edit a new search based on a bookmark
j	Jump to a maildir
M-<left>, \	Widen, go back in search history
M-<right>	Go forward in search history

Header View

S	Edit current search string
O	Change sort order of headers
P	Toggle threading of message headers
Q	Toggle full search
V	Toggle skipping duplicates
W	Toggle including related

Searching (cont)

Message View

e	Edit current search string
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Marking

Header and Message View

d	Mark for trashing
=	Mark for untrashing
D, 	Mark for deletion
m	Mark for movement to other maildir
r	Mark for refiling
+/-	Flag/Unflag
?, !	Mark message read/unread
u	Unmark current message
U	Unmark all messages
%	Mark based on regex
T, t	Mark whole thread/subthread
*, <INS>	Mark for deferred action
#	Choose action for deferred marks
x	Execute actions on marked messages

Composing

R	Reply to sender/all as prompted
F	Forward message to third party
C	Compose a new message
E	Edit a draft message

Other

;	Switch context
a	Perform custom action on message
 	Pipe message through shell command
H	Get help
C-+, C--	Increase/decrease headers shown
C-S-u	Update and reindex



Message View

- g** Visit the numbered URL in browser. Prompts for URL number. C-u prefix for multiple URLs.
- f** Fetch or download the numbered URL to directory given by `mu4e-attachment-dir`. C-u for multiple downloads.
- k** Save the numbered URLs to the kill ring. C-u to save multiple URLs.
- e** Extract numbered attachments to a directory, default `mu4e--attachment-dir`. Prompts for number, range or a for all. S-RET on attachment does same.
- o** Open numbered attachment. Prompts for number to open. M-RET on attachment does the same.
- a** Perform a custom action on the current message.
- A** Perform a custom action on a numbered attachment.
- c** Copy the email address under the cursor. Use C-u to copy the long version with the person's name.
- h** Toggle between text and HTML if email has both versions.
- w** Toggle visual-line-mode. If it makes lines too wide, consider installing `visual-fill-column` package.
- #** Toggle display of citations.
- v** View cryptographic signature details.
- .** Show the raw message with all headers, etc. Use q to go back to the cooked view.
- C+** Increase the number of headers shown in a split header-message view.
- C-** Decrease the number of headers shown in a split header-message view.
- q** Leave message view.

mu4e uses the `xdg-open` program or the `open` (on OS X) program to opening attachments. Use another program by setting the environment variable `MU_PLAY_PROGRAM`.

GMail Hints

Label-Driven Email

Instead of organizing emails by maildirs, you can use GMail's all-label way of categorizing emails. GMail keeps all emails in one "maildir" called "[Gmail]/All Mail", which I have `offlineimap` map to a maildir called "Archive". You need only sync Archive and Trash. Rely on labels to formulate mu4e "bookmarks." Emails with the label:

- `\Inbox` are what you see in your GMail inbox (all categories Primary, Social, etc.),
- `\Spam` for what GMail considers spam,
- `\Draft` for drafts emails,
- `\Trash` deleted emails scheduled for purging per GMail settings, and
- Whatever your "folder names" are just labels of the same name (no leading backslash). Sub-folders are separated with a slash: `Business/Urgent`, for example.

Accessing GMail Categories

One of the difficulties of integrating mu4e with GMail, is getting access to the very helpful "Categories" assigned by GMail to incoming emails. There is nothing in the email header to indicate the category. You can fix this by creating a filter in GMail that applies a label to emails based on their categories. Add a filter with the following in the "Has the words field": `category:(promotions)`, or `category:(primary)`, etc. In the action, tell GMail to apply a label, such as "CatPromotions". Now, you can use the label in a mu4e search to handle Gmail categories as you like. For example, filter for unread inbox with "x:CategoryPrimary" as one of the selectors.. **Example**

GMail Inbox Bookmark

```
(with-eval-after-load 'mu4e
 (setq mu4e-bookmarks
  `(,(make-mu4e-bookmark
    :name "Inbox"
    :query "x:\\\\Inbox and x:CatPrimary and m:/Archive and not
g:list"
    :key ?i)
 ,(make-mu4e-bookmark
    :name "Unread Inbox"
    :query "x:\\\\Inbox and x:CatPrimary and m:/Archive and g:unread
and not g:list"
    :key ?l))
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