

VI Editor Cheat Sheet

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Vi has two modes insertion mode and command mode.

The editor begins in command mode, where the cursor

Insertion mode begins upon entering an insertion or

typing :q!). Most commands execute as soon as you type them except for "colon" commands which execute

movement and text deletion and pasting occur.

change command. [ESC] returns the editor to command mode (where you can quit, for example by

Quitting

- Exit, saving changes
- :q
- ZZ
- Exit and ignore any changes :q!

Inserting Text

- Insert before cursor
- 1 Insert before line
- Append after cursor
- Α Append after line
- 0 Open a new line after current line
- Open a new line before current line
- Replace one character
- R Replace many characters

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- Move down
- Move up
- Move right
- Move to next word
- W Move to next blank delimited word
- b Move to the beginning of the word
- Move to the beginning of blank delimted word
- Move to the end of the word е
- Е Move to the end of Blank delimited word
- Move a sentence back
- Move a sentence forward
- Move a paragraph back
- Move a paragraph forward
- 0 Move to the begining of the line
- \$ Move to the end of the line
- 1G Move to the first line of the file
- G Move to the last line of the file
- Move to nth line of the file пG
- Move to nth line of the file :n Move forward to c
- Move back to c Fc

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- Н Move to top of screen
- Move to middle of screen М
- L Move to botton of screen
- % Move to associated (), {}, []
- Move to the beginning of the file :0
- :\$ Move to the end of the file

Exit as long as there have been no changes

Exit and save changes if any have been made

Deleting Text

- Delete character to the right of cursor
- Χ Delete character to the left of cursor
- D Delete to the end of the line

when you press the ruturn key.

- Delete current line
- :d Delete current line

Yanking Text

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Yank the current line

Changing text

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	С	Change to the end of the line
	СС	Change the whole line
	guu	lowercase line
	gUU	uppercase line
	~	Toggle upp and lower case

Putting text

- Put after the position or after the line
- Put before the poition or before the line

mc Set marker c on this line

Go to beginning of marker c line.

Go to first non-blank character of marker c line.

Search for strings	
/string	Search forward for string
?string	Search back for string
n	Search for next instance of string
N	Search for previous instance of string

Replace	
:s/pattern/stri ng/flags	Replace pattern with string according to flags.
g	Flag - Replace all occurences of pattern
С	Flag - Confirm replaces.
&	Repeat last :s command

Ranges	
:n,m	Range - Lines n-m
:.	Range - Current line
:\$	Range - Last line
:'c	Range - Marker c
:%	Range - All lines in file
:g/pattern/	Range - All lines that contain pattern

Files	
:w file	Write to file
:r file	Read file in after line
:n	Go to next file
:р	Go to previous file
:e file	Edit file
!!program	Replace line with output from program

Other	
[ctrl] + r	Redo last change
J	Join lines
	Repeat last text-changing command
u	Undo last change
U	Undo all changes to line



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