Commands for emacs

Working with emacs

Keys	Usage
`emacs myfile`	Start **emacs** and edit `myfile`
Ctrl-x i	Insert prompted for file at current position
Ctrl-x s	Write to the file keeping current name
Ctrl-x Ctrl-w	Write to the file giving a new name when prompted
Ctrl-x Ctrl-s	Write to all files currently being worked on and exit
Ctrl-x Ctrl-c	Exit after being prompted if there any unwritten modified files

Changing Cursor Positions

Keys	Usage
arrow keys	To move up, down, left and right
Ctrl-n	To move one line down
Ctrl-p	To move one line up
Ctrl-f	To move one character left
Ctrl-b	To move one character right
Ctrl-a	To move to beginning of line
Ctrl-e	To move to end of line
E-f	To move to beginning of next word
E-b	To move back to beginning of preceding word
E-<	To move to beginning of file
E-x	To move to line n
E->	To move to end of file
Ctrl-v or Page Down	To move forward one page
E-v or Page Up	To move backward one page
Ctrl-l	To refresh and center screen

Searching for Text in emacs

Keys	Usage
Ctrl-s	Search forward for prompted for pattern, or for next pattern
Ctrl-r	Search backwards for prompted for pattern, or for next pattern

Working with Text in emacs

Keys	Usage
Ctrl-o	Insert a blank line
Ctrl-d	Delete character at current position
Ctrl-k	Delete the rest of the current line.
Ctrl-_	Undo the previous operation
Ctrl-space	Mark the beginning of the selected region; the end will be at the cursor position
Ctrl-w	Delete the current marked text and write it to the buffer
Ctrl-y	Insert at current cursor location whatever was most recently deleted