

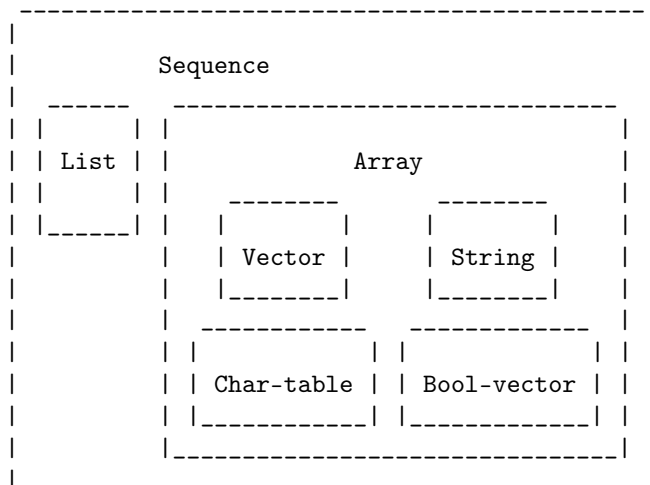
1 Emacs CheatSheet

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1.1 Features

1.1.1 View In Emacs

| Name | Comment |
|--|----------------------------------|
| Move forward across one balanced expression | <code>forward-sexp</code> C-M-f |
| Move backward across one balanced expression | <code>backward-sexp</code> C-M-b |

1.1.2 Org-mode export Latex

| Name | Comment |
|----------------------------------|--|
| Make page size bigger | <code>#+LATEX_HEADER: \usepackage[margin=0.5in]{geometry}</code> Link: stackexchange |
| Change document class | <code>#+LaTeX_CLASS_OPTIONS: [a4paper]</code> Link: stackexchange |
| Add the date of today | <code>#+LATEX_HEADER: \rhead{Updated: \today}</code> Link: stackexchange |
| Add page number with total pages | <code>#+LATEX_HEADER: \rfoot{\thepage\ of \pageref{LastPage}}</code> |

1.1.3 Buffer Operations

| Name | Comment |
|-------------------------------|---|
| Move to top | <code>(goto-char (point-min))</code> |
| Replace string by regexp | <code>buffer-replace.el</code> |
| Delete region | <code>(delete-region start-pos end-pos)</code> |
| Buffer string with plain text | <code>(buffer-substring-no-properties start-pos end-pos)</code> |
| | <code>(get-buffer-create BUFFER-OR-NAME)</code> |
| | <code>(current-buffer)</code> |
| | <code>(set-buffer BUFFER-OR-NAME)</code> |
| | <code>(kill-buffer)</code> |
| | <code>(set-buffer-modified-p nil)</code> |

1.1.4 GNUS - Mail In Emacs

| Name | Comment |
|------------------------------|---|
| Create delayed email | <code>gnus-delay-article C-c C-j</code> |
| Save mail's attachment | <code>gnus-summary-save-parts</code> |
| Forward mail | <code>gnus-summary-mail-forward</code> |
| Send gnus drafts | <code>gnus-draft-send-message</code> |
| Send all the sendable drafts | <code>gnus-draft-send-all-messages</code> |
| Add attachment | <code>mml-attach-file(C-c C-m f)</code> |
| Create group | <code>gnus-group-make-group (G m)</code> |

1.1.5 Table in Org-mode

```
#+NAME: supplies
| Date          | Category          | Amount |
|-----+-----+-----|
| 2014/01/14 | Supplies          | 43.97 |
| 2014/02/15 | Supplies          | 56.48 |
| 2014/02/11 | Book              | 17.99 |
| 2014/06/10 | Kinesis Keyboard | 289.16 |
| 2014/08/23 | Printer           | 99.96 |
| 2014/08/30 | Supplies          | 58.26 |
| 2014/08/22 | Books             | 18.99 |
| 2014/08/25 | Books             | 7.50 |
| 2014/09/15 | Books             | 21.49 |
| 2014/12/31 | Toner Service     | :=24.95*4 |
|-----+-----+-----|
|              | Total:            |        |
#+TBLFM: @>$3=vsum(@2..@-1);%.2f
```

1.2 Data Structures

1.2.1 Debug

| Name | Comment |
|----------------------------|--|
| Debug a function | <code>edebug-defun</code> |
| Change function via advice | <code>defadvice ;; Super inspiring feature!</code> |
| Set default value | <code>(setq-default indent-tabs-mode nil)</code> |

1.2.2 String

| Name | Comment |
|---|---|
| string1 contains string2 | <code>(string-match ".*README.org" buffer-file-truename)</code> |
| Replace by regexp | <code>(setq ret (replace-regexp-in-string "<hr/>" "" ret))</code> |
| Format string | <code>(format "%s/%s" mywordpress-server-url blog-uri)</code> |
| String replace | <code>(replace-string from-string to-string &optional start end)</code> |
| Replace by regexp | <code>(replace-regexp REGEXP TO-STRING &optional DELIMITED START END)</code> |
| replace-match | <code>(while (search-forward-regexp "myRegexPattern" nil t) (replace-match " " t))</code> |
| The second captured string | <code>(match-string 2)</code> |
| Get the position of the 2nd captured string | <code>(match-beginning 2) (match-end 2)</code> |
| List matched count | <code>(setq myStr (replace-regexp-in-string "myRegex1" "myRep1" myStr)) (count myStr "myRep1")</code> |
| Grab the start and end positions of a word | <code>(setq myBoundaries (bounds-of-thing-at-point 'word))</code> <code>(setq myStr (buffer-substring myStartPos myEndPos))</code> <code>(setq myStr (buffer-substring-no-properties myStartPos myEndPos))</code> |

1.2.3 Regex

| Name | Comment |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| Regex In Emacs | <code>regexp-string-match.el</code> |
| Change a given string using regex | <code>(replace-regexp-in-string "^ +" "" url)</code> |
| Seach regexp in some string | <code>(string-match myRegex myStr)</code> |
| Get captured match | <code>(match-string 1 myStr)</code> |
| Escape special characters | <code>(regexp-quote "^")</code> <code>(regexp-opt '("hello" "world"))=</code> |

1.2.4 Integer

| Name | Comment |
|------------------------|---|
| String to int | <code>(string-to-number STRING &optional BASE)</code> |
| Check whether it's int | <code>(integerp 23)</code> |
| decimal to hex | <code>(format "%x" 10)</code> |
| hex to decimal | <code>(format "%d" #xa)</code> |

1.2.5 Array & List

| Name | Comment |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Get the first element | <code>(car mylist)</code> |
| Get the nth element | <code>(nth n mylist)</code> |
| Get the last element | <code>(car (last mylist))</code> |
| Get the 2nd to the last elements | <code>(cdr mylist)</code> |
| Get the nth to the last elements | <code>(nthcdr n mylist)</code> |
| Similar to (car (car value)) | <code>(caar value)</code> |
| Similar to (cdr (car value)) | <code>(cdar value)</code> |
| Return the cdr of the cdr of X. | <code>(cddr X)</code> |

1.2.6 Array & List - More

| Name | Comment |
|--------------------------------|---|
| Create a list | <code>(defvar my-list (list "item1, item2"))</code> |
| Add item to list | <code>(add-to-list 'my-list "item3")</code> |
| Head of a list | <code>(car '(a b c))</code> |
| Tail of a list | <code>(cdr '(a b c))</code> |
| Loop a list | <code>(dolist (item my-list) (message item))</code> |
| Concat two lists | <code>(nconc '("a" "b" "c") '("d" "e" "f")) link</code> |
| Return a newly created list | <code>(list x)</code> |
| Append x to the head of a list | <code>(cons x mylist)</code> |
| Append without duplication | <code>(add-to-list 'auto-mode-alist '("\\.gp\$" . gnuplot-mode))</code> |
| Add ELEMENT if missing | <code>(add-to-list LIST-VAR ELEMENT &optional APPEND COMPARE-FN)</code> |

1.2.7 Position

| Name | Comment |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| Return character at position | <code>(char-after (point))</code> |
| Return character preceding position | <code>(char-before (point))</code> <code>(setq myStr (thing-at-point 'word))</code> <code>(setq myStr (thing-at-point 'symbol))</code> <code>(setq myStr (thing-at-point 'line))</code> |

1.2.8 Insert text

| Name | Comment |
|---------------|---|
| Insert string | <code>(insert "hello world")</code> <code>(insert-buffer-substring buffer &optional start end)</code> <code>(insert-buffer-substring-no-properties buffer &optional start end)</code> <code>(insert-file-contents myPath)</code> <code>(insert-file-contents-literally filename &optional visit beg end replace)</code> |

1.2.9 Delete text

| Name | Comment |
|------|--|
| | <code>(delete-char 9)</code> |
| | <code>(delete-region myStartPos myEndPos)</code> |
| | <code>(erase-buffer)</code> |
| | <code>(upcase obj)</code> |
| | <code>(upcase-word n)</code> |
| | <code>(upcase-region beg end)</code> |
| | <code>(upcase-initials obj)</code> |
| | <code>(upcase-initials-region beg end)</code> |
| | <code>(capitalize obj)</code> |
| | <code>(capitalize-word n)</code> |
| | <code>(capitalize-region beg end)</code> |
| | <code>(downcase)</code> |
| | <code>(downcase-word n)</code> |
| | <code>(downcase-region beg end)</code> |

1.2.10 DateTime

| Name | Comment |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Convert time to string | <code>(format-time-string "<%Y-%m-%d %H:%M UTC +8>" (current-time))</code> |
| Get current time | <code>(current-time)</code> |
| Add some offset for a time | <code>(time-add time (seconds-to-time seconds))</code> |
| Subtract two time values | <code>(time-subtract after-init-time before-init-time)</code> |
| Get second count | <code>(float-time (time-subtract after-init-time before-init-time))</code> |
| Return date as a list (mm/dd/yyyy) | <code>calendar-current-date</code> |
| | <code>(calendar-extract-month date)</code> |
| m1 will be changed | <code>(calendar-increment-month m1 y1 -1)</code> |
| | <code>(calendar-date-compare '((12 27 2012)) '((12 26 2012)))</code> |
| | <code>(calendar-holiday-list)</code> |

1.2.11 Hook

| Name | Comment |
|-------------------------|--|
| Add hook | <code>(add-hook 'myhook '(lambda () (insert "fun1 was called ")))</code> |
| Run each hook in myhook | <code>(run-hooks 'myhook)</code> |

1.2.12 Files

| Name | Comment |
|--|--|
| Open file | <code>(find-file html-file)</code> |
| Save file | <code>(write-file html-file nil)</code> |
| Get short filename | <code>(file-name-nondirectory somefilename)</code> |
| Get the directory name from filename | <code>(file-name-directory FILENAME)</code> |
| Check file/directories existence | <code>(file-exists-p bfilename)</code> |
| Insert contents of file FILENAME after point | <code>(insert-file-contents somefilename)</code> |
| Return FILENAME's final "extension" | <code>(file-name-extension "test.erl")</code> |
| Return FILENAME sans final "extension" | <code>(file-name-sans-extension "test.erl")</code> |
| Return a list of names of files in DIRECTORY | <code>(directory-files DIRECTORY &optional FULL MATCH NOSORT)</code> |
| Insert contents of file FILENAME after point | <code>(insert-file-contents FILENAME &optional VISIT BEG END REPLACE)</code> |
| Confirm directory exists | <code>(file-directory-p FILENAME)</code> |
| Create directory | <code>(make-directory "~/emacs.d/autosaves/" t)</code> |
| Find files by name | <code>(find-dired "../" "-name defined.hrl")</code> |
| read file content into a string | <code>(setq dddstring (with-temp-buffer (insert-file-contents "dd.txt"))=</code> |

1.3 More Resources

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