Vim Cheat Sheet

In `Vim` there are two main modes: **read** mode and **insert** mode. When in `read` mode, we can execute commands.

Changing mode

`i`

to enter `insert` mode from `read` mode

`-- INSERT --` will be displayed at the bottom left of the screen

`esc`

to enter `read` mode from `insert` mode

`<arrow keys>`

moves the cursor in the direction of the arrow

Useful commands

`1` `Shift+g`

moves the cursor to line 1

`<number>` `Shift+g`

moves the cursor to line <number>

`Shift+g`

moves the cursor to the last line

`/<string>` *Enter*

searches the file for <string>

to get to the next match of <string>, press `n`

`dd`

deletes the line the cursor is on

`u`

undoes the last action

Exiting `Vim`

`:w` *Enter*

writes the file

`:q` *Enter*

quits the file

if changes have been made but not saved, a warning will be displayed and the file will not quit

`:wq` *Enter*

writes and quits the file

`:q!` *Enter*

quits the file without saving