

NEOVIM MOVEMENT CHEATSHEET

Be fast as fuck

Basic Motions (The Foundation)

Character & Line Movement

h j k l	← ↓ ↑ → (left, down, up, right)
w	Next word start
W	Next WORD start (ignores punctuation)
b	Previous word start
B	Previous WORD start
e	Next word end
E	Next WORD end
ge	Previous word end
0	Start of line
^	First non-blank character
\$	End of line
g_	Last non-blank character

Supercharged Line Movement

f{char}	Find next {char} on line (forward)
F{char}	Find previous {char} on line (backward)
t{char}	Till next {char} (cursor before char)
T{char}	Till previous {char}
;	Repeat last f/F/t/T motion
,	Repeat last f/F/t/T motion (opposite direction)
3fa	Find 3rd 'a' on line
df)	Delete forward to)
ct,	Change till comma

Vertical Movement (Fast AF)

Screen-Relative

H	Top of screen (High)
M	Middle of screen
L	Bottom of screen (Low)
zt	Put current line at top
zz	Center current line
zb	Put current line at bottom

Jump Around

gg	Top of file
G	Bottom of file
50G	Go to line 50
50gg	Go to line 50
:50	Go to line 50
{	Previous paragraph/block
}	Next paragraph/block
[Previous section/function
]	Next section/function

Percentage-Based

50%	Jump to 50% through file
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25%

Jump to 25% through file

Search Movement (Lightning Fast)

Basic Search

/{pattern}	Search forward
?{pattern}	Search backward
n	Next match
N	Previous match
*	Search forward for word under cursor
#	Search backward for word under cursor
g*	Search forward (partial match)
g#	Search backward (partial match)

Smart Search Combos

*n	Find word, go to next occurrence
cgn	Change next search match
.	Repeat change on next match

Code-Specific Movement

Parentheses & Brackets

%	Jump to matching bracket/paren
[(Jump to previous (
])	Jump to next)
[{	Jump to previous {
] }	Jump to next }

Functions & Methods (Treesitter)

]m	Next method start
[m	Previous method start
]M	Next method end
[M	Previous method end

Advanced Motions

Text Objects (combine with d, c, y, v)

iw	Inner word
aw	A word (includes space)
iW	Inner WORD
aW	A WORD
is	Inner sentence
as	A sentence
ip	Inner paragraph
ap	A paragraph
i(i) ib	Inner parentheses
a(a) ab	A parentheses (includes parens)
i{ i} iB	Inner braces
a{ a} aB	A braces (includes braces)
i[i]	Inner brackets
a[a]	A brackets (includes brackets)
i< i>	Inner angle brackets
a< a>	A angle brackets
i' i" i`	Inner quotes
a' a" a`	A quotes (includes quotes)

it Inner tag (HTML/XML)
at A tag (HTML/XML)

Text Object Examples

diw Delete inner word
ci" Change inside quotes
da(Delete around parentheses (includes parens)
vi{ Visual select inside braces
yap Yank a paragraph

Marks & Jumps

Quick Marks

m{a-z} Set mark (local to buffer)
m{A-Z} Set mark (global across files)
'{mark} Jump to mark line
'{mark} Jump to exact mark position

'' Jump back to previous position (line)
-- Jump back to previous position (exact)
' . Jump to last change
~~ Jump to last insert position

Jump List

Ctrl-o Jump to older position
Ctrl-i Jump to newer position
:jumps Show jump list

Change List

g; Go to older change position
g, Go to newer change position
:changes Show change list

Window & Buffer Movement

Window Navigation

Ctrl-w h/j/k/l Move to left/down/up/right window
Ctrl-w w Cycle through windows
Ctrl-w p Previous window

Buffer Navigation (From Your Config)

<leader><leader> Find existing buffers (Telescope)

Scroll Without Moving Cursor

Ctrl-e Scroll down one line
Ctrl-y Scroll up one line
Ctrl-d Scroll down half page
Ctrl-u Scroll up half page
Ctrl-f Scroll down full page
Ctrl-b Scroll up full page

LSP-Powered Movement (From Your Config)

grd Go to definition
gri Go to implementation
grt Go to type definition

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grr          Find references
g0           Document symbols (outline)
gW           Workspace symbols
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Ctrl-o       Jump back after goto
```

Telescope Movement (From Your Config)

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<leader>sf      Search files
<leader>sg      Live grep (search in files)
<leader>sw      Search word under cursor
<leader>sn      Search nvim config files
<leader>/       Fuzzy search in current buffer
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Speed Combos (Muscle Memory These)

Navigation

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3w           Move 3 words forward
5j           Move 5 lines down
10k          Move 10 lines up
4f;          Find 4th semicolon on line
```

Edit + Move

```
d3w          Delete 3 words
c$           Change to end of line
y5j          Yank 5 lines down
>ap          Indent a paragraph
=if{         Auto-indent inside braces
```

Find + Change

```
/foo<CR>    Search for 'foo'
cgn          Change the match
.            Repeat on next match
n.           Skip one, change next
```

Word Replace Workflow

```
*            Search for word under cursor
cgn          Change next occurrence
.            Repeat change on next (mash this)
n            Skip one if needed
```

Pro Tips

1. **Count everything:** Most motions accept counts (3w, 5j, 2f;)
2. **Combine operators:** d/c/y + motion = power (d3w, cf), c4j)
3. **Use relative line numbers:** Jump directly with 12j or 8k
4. **Marks for bookmarks:** Use marks for frequent positions
5. **Jump list is your friend:** Ctrl-o to backtrack after jumping around
6. **Learn text objects:** They work everywhere (dab, ci", ya{})
7. **f/t are underrated:** Fastest way to move on a line
8. **Search with /:** Often faster than motion for long distances
9. **Use * for refactoring:** * → cgn → . → . → .
10. **Treesitter motions:**]m and [m for function navigation

Common Patterns

Navigate Function

```
[[           Jump to previous function
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]m Jump to next method
% Jump between braces

Refactor Variable

* Find all occurrences
cgn Change next match
. Repeat (keep pressing)

Navigate Changes

g; Go to last change
. Jump to last change
Ctrl-o Jump back

Quick Edits

ciw Change inner word
da" Delete around quotes
yi} Yank inside braces

Practice these daily. Speed comes from muscle memory, not memorization.