Vim Cheatsheet

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1 Launching ... and exiting

1.1 invocation

vim file1 file2 ... fileN
vim +linenumber file
vim scp://login@serveur/path/to/file
vim scp://login@serveur/path/

1.2 Exiting

:q Quit :wq Save and quit :q! Quit without saving

2 Moving

0

h, j, k, 1 Move cursor $\leftarrow \downarrow \uparrow \rightarrow$ Move cursor

2.1 Inside the line

\$ Iump to last char Jump to first word of the line Next word W Previous word b f char Jump to next occurrence of char Jump before next occurrence of char t char Jump to previous occurence of char F char T char Jump after previous occurence of char Repeat last f/t command

Repeat last F/T command

Center the current line

Jump to first char

2.2 Inside the file

gg Jump to first line (start)
G Jump to last line (start)
:n Jump to line n
% Jump to matching Paren, Brace, etc.

2.3 Inside the screen

ZZ

Send current line to the bottom zb Send current line to the top 7 t Jump to the top of the file Н М Jump to the middle of the file Jump to the bottom of the file CTRL + b Scroll up Scroll up (half a page) CTRL + u Scroll down (half a page) CTRL + d Scroll down CTRL + f

3 Switch to insert mode

i At cursor position
a After cursor
A At the end of the line
o Open a new line (after)
Open a new line (before)

4 Switch to visual mode

v Visual mode (char by char)
V Visual mode (line by line)
CTRL+v Visual mode (block)

5 Normal mode

u Undo CTRL+r Redo . Repeat last edit

6 Without leaving Insert mode

CTRL+w Erase previous word
CTRL+u Erase until the begining of the line
CTRL+o Single command mode command

7 Open / Save

8 Buffers

:1s List all buffers :b7 Switch to buffer 7 :bn Next buffer :bp Previous buffer

9 Windows

CTRL+w v Split vertically
CTRL+w s Split horizontally
CTRL+w h, j, k, 1 Change window
CTRL+w SHIFT h, j, k, 1 Move window
CTRL+w c Close window

Of course, you can substitute h,j,k,l by arrows

:sp file Open file in a split window

10 Sessions

:mks fichier.vim Save the session :source fichier.vim Restore the session

11 Search

/word Find next occurence of "word"
?word Find last occurence of "word"
Next
N Previous

12 Macros

qa Record macro a q Stop recording macro @a Run macro a @@ Rerun last run macro

13 Copy / Paste

13.1 Copy current selection

y (yank) Copy d (delete) Cut

13.2 Paste

p (put) Paste (after) P (put) Paste (before)

13.3 Copy without selection selection

yy Copy current line
dd Cut current line
yny Copy n lines
yw Copy current word

y\$ Copy from cursor to the end of the line

13.4 Using registers

"ay Copy in register a
"Ay Copy and add to a register
: req Display registers

The registers you can use are the following:

a..z 26 general-purpose registers
1..9 9 last uses of d
+ System copy-paste register (ctrl+c)

* System copy-paste register (mouse)

% Filename

14 Search & replace

:%s/expr1/expr2/g

expr1 Expression we're searching expr2 Replacement expression Search scope

g Options

14.1 Scope:

n,m From line n to m .,+5 Current line and 5 following

In all file

14.2 Options:

g Continue after first match c Ask before replacing i Ignore case

14.3 Replace with foobar $(y/n/a/q/l/^E/^Y)$?

y Yes n No

a Replace all remaining matches

q Quit substitution Last one!

CTRL + e Scroll down CTRL + y Scroll up

15 Marking lines

m a Mark line in register a ' a Return to mark a

16 Shell Commands

:r file Insert the content of <file>

:! cmd Execute the command cmd in a shell :r! cmd Execute the command cmd and insert the result

: term Open a terminal window

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17 Tabs

: tabnew
gt
gT
: tab ba
Open a new tab
Move to next tab
Move to previous tab
Edit all buffers as tabs

18 Spell checking

Start spell checking :spell lang=fr :setlocal spell lang=fr Correction in current buffer Stop spell checking :set nospell Next erroneous word]s Previous erroneous word s Suggest a correction z=Add to dictionary zq Mark word as incorrect ZW

19 Coders' corner

19.1 Increase / Decrease

CTRL+a Adds 1 to a number
CTRL+x Subsracts 1 to a number

19.2 Indentation

= Auto. indent selection
== Auto. indent line
> Increase indentation
< Reduce indentation

>> Increase indentation of the current line << Reduce indentation of the current line *n* >> Increase by 1 indentation of n lines

19.3 Compilation

:make Launch make in the current folder

20 File management (netrw)

:Explore Open file manager

20.1 Operations

D Delete file/directory d Create new folder % Open a new file

20.2 Marked / unmark

mf Mark a file
mu Unmark all files
mp Display marked files
mt Tag current folder

20.3 Operations on tagged files

me Edit md Diff

mc Copy in tagged folder mm Move to tagged folder

21 More on windows

21.1 Scroll simultaneously

:set scrollbind Have windows scroll together

21.2 Resizing windows

CTRL-w - Decrease the height
CTRL-w + Increase the height
CTRL-w < Decrease the width
CTRL-w > Increase the width
CTRL-w = Make all splits equal

22 Do you speak vim?

22.1 Format

<Number of times> + <Command> + <Motion> or <Text object>

22.2 Commands

c Change d Delete y Yank

22.3 Motion

Move cursor to end of sentence
Move cursor to beginning of prior sentence
Move cursor to the next paragraph
Move cursor to the beginning of the prior paragraph
Move cursor to next word
Move cursor back a word
Move cursor to the end of the logical line
Move cursor to the beginning of the logical line
Move cursor to the end of the file
Move cursor to the beginning of the file

22.4 Text Objects

s Sentence
w Word
p Paragraph
a" Quoted string
a' Quoted string (Single quote)

22.5 More precise Text Objects

w From cursor to the end of the word
iw Inner word (Full word)
aw A word (A word, including trailing whitespaces)

23 Digraphs

CTRL-k code Insert digraph