

VI Editor

- Most popular text editor in Linux is the VI Editor.
- The VI EDITOR is available in all most all of the Linux distribution.
 - vi sample.txt
- vim
 - Improved version of VI

Vi editor modes

- **Command Mode**

- When the vi editor opens a file, it always goes to the COMMAND MODE first.
- In this mode, the editor only understands the commands

- **Insert Mode**

- To switch from command mode to INSERT MODE type lower case i (l, o, O, a, A)
- This mode allows you to write text into the file.
- Once you are done with editing the file, to go back to command mode hit the **ESC** button.

- **Last Line Mode**

- Pressing the : key will take you to the **Last Line Mode**
- In this mode you can choose to save changes to the file, discard changes, or save and exit.
- Press the the ESC key to go back to the command mode.

Command Mode

- Copy a line: yy
- Paste: p
- Delete a letter: x
- Delete a line: dd
- Undo: u
- Redo: r
- Find: /string, ?line
- Find next: n
- Find Previous: N

Insert Mode

- Insert text: i, o, a
- Exit: esc key

Last Line Mode

- Save :w
- Quit :q!
- Save and Quit :wq!