



Introduction to vim

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Vim Modes

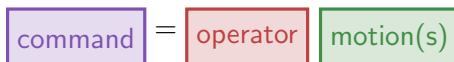
Vim has three **modes**:

Name	Function	Key(s)
Normal	navigation and text editing	<code>Esc</code>
Insert	inserting text	<code>i</code>
Normal	highlighting text/rows/blocks	<code>v</code> / <code>V</code> / <code>Ctrl</code> + <code>v</code>

Vim Grammar

Generally speaking, vim commands can be structure in different forms (here refered to as "rules" (CITE)).

The most simple rule is

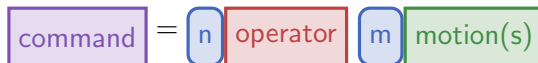


Example

Command	Syntax	Keys
Delete word	<div>del</div> <div>word</div>	<div>d</div> <div>w</div>
Copy until 'A'	<div>copy</div> <div>until 'A'</div>	<div>y</div> <div>f</div> <div>A</div>

Vim Grammar

Operators and motions can be preceded by repetitions, i.e.



Example

Command	Syntax			Keys
3× delete word	3	del	word	3 d w
Delete 3 words	del	3	word	d 3 w

List of Operators

Key	Func.	Key	Func.
y	copy	c	cut (delete + insert)
d	delete	x	delete single
p	paste	P	paste before