PEL Topics Index

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Emacs Reference Cards

- Emacs Release History
- EmacsWiki

Links to PDF version of official English version of the quick reference cards for **GNU Emacs** and popular external packages.
☝With PEL, access these PDF cards from within Emacs with the `<f11> ? e r` key sequence. See ⅀ **Help/Info** for more info.

Emacs	**Calc**	**Gnus**	**Magit Cheatsheet**	**Org**	**Viper**
Emacs survival card	**Dired**	**Gnus booklet**	**Magit Ref-card**		**VIP**

➢ PEL Overview

- **PEL repo**
- **PEL Readme**
- **PEL Manual**
- **PEL NEWS**
- **Discussions**

- PEL license
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This table holds links to all other **PEL topic oriented PDF table files** (hosted on Github).
☝For the best user experience, use a browser that can render PDF directly instead of downloading: all PDFs are heavily hyperlinked.

- **Mozilla Firefox** (version > 78) does that perfectly. You may need to activate a plug-in for other browsers.

☝From within Emacs open this topic index PDF by typing the `<f11> ? <f1>` key sequence. More help topics with `<f11> ? p` keys.
☝The symbols, **colour coding** and various other conventions are described in the **➢Legend** PDF.

Terminal Multiplexers: GNU screen , Tmux
Command Line Scripting Languages: bash, sh, zsh
🐚: GNU readline, ls -l, ssh

General Info ➢	**➢Legend**	**➢Recommended Emacs User Option**	**➢Themes**	**Migrate from CRiSP**	
Startup ➢		**Run Emacs daemon & clients** 🐧	**💻iMenu/Speedbar support**		
PEL Code ➢	**How to do it with PEL**	**💻PEL Naming Conventions**	**💻PEL Environment Variables**		**💻PEL utilities**

OS Desktop Key Bindings ⌨

(Bindings that don't clash with PEL)

** macOS Fct Keys**	** macOS Keys**	**🐧Mint 20 Desktop Keys**	**🐧Ubuntu 16.04 Desktop Keys**
	** terminal settings**	**🐧Rocky Linux 8 Desktop Keys**	

🚦 Feature Comparisons

🚦 Completion Modes Compatibility	**🚦 Speedbar/iMenu Mode Compatibility**	**🚦 Shells/Terminals Comparisons**

Key Prefixes & Suffixes

⅀ ⌨Modifier Keys	**⅀⌨Numkeypad**	**⌨Keys - Fn**	**⌨Keys - F11**	**⌨Keys - F12**	**➢PEL**

⅀ **Emacs Manual** , **Guided Tour of Emacs** , **Emacs Lisp Manual**

- **Emacs Docs: Emacs, Emacs Lisp**
- **Mastering Emacs, Awesome-Emacs**
- **MELPA** and **GNU ELPA**

The tables listed at right describe Emacs commands & key bindings for concepts & features. The cell is light-blue for major mode, light-red for minor mode specific concepts. Grey cells are links into other pages for important concepts.
Emacs commands can be executed by name or bound to key sequences. They describe the commands, their arguments and the key sequences bound to them.

- **Emacs Keys**
- **Numeric Arguments**

You can also:

- **Run Command by Name**

Emacs uses a concept of modes:

- **Emacs Major and Minor Modes**
  - **Major Modes**
  - **Minor Modes**
  - **Choosing Modes**

PEL provides several key sequences to toggle minor modes.

Cells link titles starting with only ⅀ are Emacs generic features, blue links are external packages. The green links are mostly PEL extensions.

⅀ Abbreviations	**⅀ Diff & Merge**	**⅀ Grep**	**⅀ Marking**	**⅀ Scrolling**	**⅀ Tab Bar**
⅀ Align	**⅀ Dired**	**⅀ Help/Info**	**⅀ Menus ⅀iMenu**	**⅀ Search/Replace**	**T Templates**
⅀ Auto-Completion	**⅀ Display - Lines**	**⅀ Hide/Show**	**⅀ Mode Line**	**⅀ Sessions**	**⅀ Text Modes**
⅀ Autosave/Backup	**⅀ Drawing**	**⅀ Highlight** (colors)	**⅀ Mouse**	**⅀ start Shells/REPLs**	**⅀ Time Tracking**
⅀ Bookmarks	**⅀ Enriched Text**	**⅀ ibuffer-mode**	**⅀ Narrowing**	**⅀ shell-mode**	**⅀ Tramp**
⅀ Buffers	**⅀ Execute Cmds**	**⅀ Indentation**	**⅀ Navigation**	**⅀ term-mode**	**⅀ Transpose** text
⅀ Case Conversions	**⅀ Exec Shell Cmds**	**⅀ Input Method**	**⅀ Object Files**	**eat-mode**	**⅀𝔛 Treemacs**
⅀ Close/Suspend	**⅀ Faces/Fonts**	**⅀ Inserting Text**	**⅀ Outline**	**vterm-mode**	**⅀ Tree Sitter**
⅀ Comments	**⅀P Fast Startup**	**⅀ Key-Chords**	**⅀ Packages**	**⅀𝔛 Smartparens**	**⅀ Undo/Redo/Repeat**
⅀ Compilation Mode	**⅀ File Encoding**	**⅀ Keyboard Macros**	**⅀𝔛 Projectile**	**⅀ Sorting**	**⅀ VCS-Git 𝔛Magit**
⅀ Completion/Input	**⅀ File-mngt**	**𝔓𝔩𝔛- Lispy**	**⅀ Recursive Edit**	**⅀ Speedbar**	**⅀ VCS-Mercurial**
⅀ Counting	**⅀ File/Dir Variables**	**Logging key strokes**	**⅀ Rectangles**	**⅀ Spell Checking**	**⅀ VCS-Subversion**
⅀Ɱ CUA	**⅀ Fill/Justify**		**⅀ Registers**	**⅀ SyntaxCheck**	**⅀ Web**
⅀ Cursor	**⅀ Frames**				**⅀ Whitespace**
⅀ Customize					**⅀ Windows**
⅀ Cut & Paste					**⅀ Xref - Cross Refs**

𝔏𝔓𝔩 - Emacs Lisp concepts	& tools	**𝔏 display-buffer**	**𝔏※ - ELisp Types**	**𝔏 Hooks**	**𝔏 Elisp Build Tools**	**𝔏 ERT** (regr-testing)	
Parsing tools, Indentation &	⅀ **Xref** Tools:	**🚦 Language Servers**	**🚦 Tree-sitter**	**🚦 Indentation Styles**	**🚦 Xref-Support**	**🚦 Xref-Frontend**	**🚦 Xref-Backend**

Build Tools

𝔓𝔩 - CMake 🚧	**𝔓𝔩 - Make** gmake	**𝔓𝔩 - Meson**	**𝔓𝔩 - Ninja**	**𝔓𝔩 - Nix**	**𝔓𝔩 - Tup**

Data Serialization & Configuration

Ⓓ **CWL**	Ⓓ JSON 🚧	Ⓓ **PKL** 🚧	Ⓓ XML 🚧	Ⓓ **YAML**	

Modelling

Ⓜ ASN.1 **asn1-mode**	Ⓜ MIB **snmp-mode**	Ⓜ **YANG**			

Other File Formats

Binary, Object, Executable Files		**Log Files**	**RFC** (RFC @ Wikipedia)		**SSH files** 🐚ssh
⅀ Changelog Files	Config/ini/toml... Files		**RPM Files** 🐧 (spec file format)		**Ɱ X.509 Certificates**

Hardware Description Languages

ℌ𝔡𝔩 - Verilog 🚧	**ℌ𝔡𝔩 - VHDL** 🚧	**🚦 Language Server & Tools for HDL** 🚧			

Lightweight Markup Languages

Ɱ AsciiDoc	**Ɱ Markdown**	**Ɱ Org-Mode**	**Ɱ reStructuredText**		

- **Graphics Markup**

Ɱ Graphviz Dot	**Ɱ MscGen**	**Ɱ PlantUML**			

Programming Languages
Main Paradigm of Programming Languages

- ***Actor Model:*** Ⓐ ***Array*** ☒
- ***Concatenative*** Ⓚ ***Concurrent:*** ⓒ
- ***Domain Specific*** ⓓ
- ***Dynamic*** 𝒹 ***Extensible*** ⓔ
- ***Functional:*** ⓕ ***Pure:*** Ⓕ
- ***Generic*** ⓖ
- ***Imperative:*** ⓘ ***or no token***
- ***Object Oriented*** ⓞ ***Procedural*** ⓟ
- ***Has Syntactic Macros:*** ⓜ
- ***Multi-paradigm*** ⤳ ***Reflective*** |
- ***System Level*** Ⓢ

- The programming languages supported by PEL are listed here in alphabetical order.
- Emacs (and PEL) also provides basic support for some of the one PEL does not support and for other programming languages not listed here.

Future support for APL, Carbon, Crystal, Dart, Elm, Groovy, Haxe, Kotlin, Pony, Purescript, ReasonML, Red, Scala, Typescript and documentation of support for Fortran (based on my need for them or requests).

Emacs has major mode support for several programming languages. PEL extends Emacs support for some of them (others are marked 🚧).

BEAM Programming	***Functional***	**Javascript target**	**Pascal-style syntax**	**Lisp-like Languages**	**Stack Based**
Curly Bracket	**Java Virtual Machine**	**ML Family**	**Lisp Family**	**Scheme Dialects**	**OS App Control**

𝔓𝔩 - Ada 🚧 ⤳Ⓢ	**𝔓𝔩 - D** ⓘⓕⒶ	**𝔓𝔩 - Gambit** ⓕⓜ	**𝔓𝔩 - Janet** ⓘⓕⓜ	**𝔓𝔩-Pascal**	Scala 🚧
𝔓𝔩- AppleScript	Dart 🚧	**𝔓𝔩 - Gerbil** ⓕⓜⒶ	**𝔓𝔩 - Java** 🚧	**𝔓𝔩 - Perl** (perl5)	**𝔓𝔩 - Scheme** ⓕⓜ
APL 🚧	**𝔓𝔩 - Eiffel** 🚧 ⓞⓈ	**𝔓𝔩 - GNU Guile** ⓕⓜ	**𝔓𝔩 - Javascript** 🚧	**𝔓𝔩 - Pike** 𝒹ⓘⓞ	**𝔓𝔩-Seed7** 🚧 ⓔⓖ⤳
𝔓𝔩 - Arc ⓕⓜ	**𝔓𝔩 - Elm** 🚧 Ⓕ	**𝔓𝔩 - Gleam**	**𝔓𝔩 - Julia** ⓜ	Pony 🚧	**𝔓𝔩-Smalltalk** 🚧 ⓞ
𝔓𝔩 - awk ⓓ	**𝔓𝔩 - Elixir** ⓒⓜⓕⒶ	**𝔓𝔩 - Go** Ⓢ	Kotlin 🚧	**𝔓𝔩 - *Python*** 𝒹ⓟⓞⓕ	**𝔓𝔩-Swift**
𝔓𝔩 - C Ⓢ	**𝔏𝔓𝔩 - Emacs Lisp**	Groovy 🚧	**𝔓𝔩 - LFE** ⓒⓜⓕⒶ	**𝔓𝔩 - Purescript** 🚧 Ⓕ	**𝔓𝔩 - Tcl** ⓕⓘ
𝔓𝔩 - C++ ⓞⓈ	**𝔓𝔩 - Erlang** ⓒⓕⒶ	**𝔓𝔩 - Haskell** Ⓕ	**𝔓𝔩 -Lua** ⓕ ⓞ ⓟ	R 🚧 ⓞⓟⓕ☒|	**𝔓𝔩 - Typescript** 🚧
Carbon 🚧 future Ⓢ	**𝔓𝔩 - Factor** Ⓚⓕ ⓞⓜ	Haxe 🚧	**𝔓𝔩 - M4**	**𝔓𝔩 - Racket** ⓕⓜ	**𝔓𝔩 - UNIX Shell**
𝔓𝔩 - Chez ⓕⓜ	**𝔓𝔩 - Forth** Ⓚ	**𝔓𝔩 - Hy** *(python)* ⓜ	**𝔓𝔩-Modula**	**𝔓𝔩 - ReasonML** 🚧	**𝔓𝔩 - V**
𝔓𝔩 - Chibi ⓕⓜ	Fortran 🚧		**𝔓𝔩 - NetRexx**	Red 🚧	**𝔓𝔩 -Zig** Ⓢ
𝔓𝔩 - Chicken ⓕⓜ			**𝔓𝔩 - Nim** ⓜⓈ	**𝔓𝔩 - REXX**	
𝔓𝔩 - Clojure ⓕⓜ			**𝔓𝔩-Objective-C** 🚧	**𝔓𝔩 - Ruby**	
Common Lisp ⓕⓜ			**𝔓𝔩 - OCaml** ⓘⓕ	**𝔓𝔩 - Rust** Ⓢ	
Crystal 🚧			**𝔓𝔩 - Odin** Ⓢ		