

Legend

special keys are surrounded by <>

e.g.: <CT RL- c> = control-c

tokens are surrounded by { }

e.g.: {#} = some number, {id} = some id

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Navigation & Searching

next word

w

previous word

b

end of word

e

forward one screen

<CT RL- f>

back one screen

<CT RL- b>

forward half screen

<CT RL- d>

back half screen

<CT RL- u>

search for word under cursor

#

Files

Always set working directory to current file

set autochdir

File explorer

:e .

OS file explorer

:browse e

name of current file

:echo @%

Search for file in hierarchy and open it

:tabe **/{file}

Set working directory to current file

:lcd %:p:h

Save file with no eol

Files (cont)

:set binary :set noeol

Editing

open new line for insert above cursor

o

open new line for insert below cursor

O

change current word

cw

change entire line

cc

change rest of line

C

replace current character

r

replace all text until <ESC> is typed

R

swap characters

xp

delete forward

x

delete backward

X

delete to the end of the line

D

delete forward one word

dw

deletes # lines

{#}dd

toggle case

~

toggle case of word

g~iw

delete blank lines

Editing (cont)

:g/^\$/d

delete trailing white space

:%s/\s \+\$//

delete all extra white space between words

:s/\s\+/ /g

insert chars # times

<CT RL- o>{ #}{ cha rs} <ES C>

Selecting & Copying

match braces

%

select all

gg"+yG

copy forward one word

yw

copy from cursor to the end of line

y\$

copy # lines

{#}yy

Tabs and Windows

split window and load another file

:split {file}

move cursor to another window

<CT RL- w> <CT RL- w>

maximize current window

<CT RL- w>_

make all equal size

<CT RL- w>=

close all other windows

<CT RL- w>o or :only

next tab | prev tab

gt | gT



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Registers & Buffers

show name and contents of registers

```
:reg
```

paste what's in register **a**

```
"{a}p
```

yank selection into register **a**

```
"{a}y
```

record into register **a** (q again to stop)

```
q{a}
```

execute register **a**

```
@{a}
```

repeat last one

```
@@
```

List buffers

```
:ls or :buffers
```

Display buffer by **id**

```
:b{id}
```

Next and prev buffer

```
:bnext and :bprev
```

Delete buffer by **id**

```
:bd{id} (append ! to discard changes)
```

</> Surround.vim

change surroundings

```
cs{from_char}{to_char}
```

delete surroundings

```
ds{char}
```

surround **word**

```
ysiw{char}
```

surround line

```
yss{char}
```

An indispensable plugin: <https://github.com/tpope/vim-surround>



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