

1

Open file

| `vi filename`

Save and quit

| `ZZ`

| `:wq`

Discard edit and return to original file

| `:e!`

Discard edit and quit

| `:q!`

2

Single movement

| **h** left one space

| **j** down one line

| **k** up one line

| **l** right one space

Multiple movement

| **5h** left five space

| **5j** down five line

| **5k** up five line

| **5l** right five space

Line movement

| **O** move to beginning of line

| **\$** move to end of line

| **G** go to end of file

| **5G** go to line number 5

Text block movement

| **w** move forward by word

| **W** move forward by word not counting punctuation

| **b** move backward by word

| **B** move backward by word not counting punctuation

| **+** move to first character of next line

| **-** move to first character of previous line

2 (cont)

Text Addition

| **i** insert text before cursor position

| **I** insert text at the beginning of line

| **A** append text at the end of line

| **a** insert text after cursor position

| **cw** change text forward by word

| **c2b** change text backward by two word

| **c\$** change text forward to end of line

| **C** change text forward to end of line

| **cO** change text backward to beginning of line

| **cc** change entire line

| **r** replace one character

| **s** substitute one character **5s** substitute five character

| **S** substitute entire line

| **R** replace text in overstrike mode

| **~** change case of a letter

| **dw** delete text forward by one word

| **d2b** delete text backward by two word

| **dd** delete entire line

| **D** delete forward from current cursor position

| **x** delete forward by one character

| **p** put text after cursor position

| **P** put text before cursor position

| **yw** copy forward by one word

| **yy** copy entire line

| **.** repeat last command

| **u** undo last command

| **o** open blank line below cursor

| **O** open blank line above cursor

| **U** restore file to original state

Line Addition

| **J** join two lines

3

Scroll forward one screen

| `CTRL + F`

Scroll backward one screen

| `CTRL + B`

3 (cont)

Scroll forward half screen

| `CTRL + D`

Scroll backward half screen

| `CTRL + U`

Move current line to top of screen and scroll

| `z + ENTER`

Move current line to center of screen and scroll

| `z + .`

Move current line to bottom of screen and scroll

| `z + -`

Redraw the screen

| `CTRL + L`

Move to the top line on screen

| `H`

Move to middle line on screen

| `M`

Move to last line on screen

| `L`

Move to n lines below top line

| `nH`

Move to n lines above last line

| `nL`

Move to first character of next line

| `ENTER`

Move to first character of next line

| `+`

Move to first character of previous line

| `-`

Move to first nonblank character of current line

| `^`

Move to column n of current line

| `n |`



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3

Scroll forward one screen

| CTRL + F

Scroll backward one screen

| CTRL + B

Scroll forward half screen

| CTRL + D

Scroll backward half screen

| CTRL + U

Move current line to top of screen and scroll

| z + ENTER

Move current line to center of screen and scroll

| z + .

Move current line to bottom of screen and scroll

| z + -

Redraw the screen

| CTRL + L

Move to the top line on screen

| H

Move to middle line on screen

| M

Move to last line on screen

| L

Move to n lines below top line

| nH

Move to n lines above last line

| nL

Move to first character of next line

| ENTER

Move to first character of next line

| +

Move to first character of previous line

| -

3 (cont)

Move to first nonblank character of current line

| ^

Move to column n of current line

| n |

Move to end of word

| e

Move to end of word (ignore punctuation)

| E

Move to beginning of current sentence

| (

Move to beginning of current sentence

|)

Move to beginning of current paragraph

| {

Move to beginning of next paragraph

| }

Move to beginning of current section

| [[

Move to beginning of next section

|]]

Search for a pattern forward

| /pattern

Search for a pattern backward

| ?pattern

Repeat search in same direction

| n

Repeat search in opposite direction

| N

Repeat search forward

| /ENTER

Repeat search backward

| ?ENTER

Find next occurrence of x in the line

| fx

3 (cont)

Find previous occurrence of x in the line

| Fx

Find character before next occurrence of x in the line

| tx

Find character after previous occurrence of x in the line

| Tx

Repeat previous find command in same direction

| ;

Repeat previous find command in opposite direction

| ,

Go to line number n of the file

| nG

Go to last line of the file

| G



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