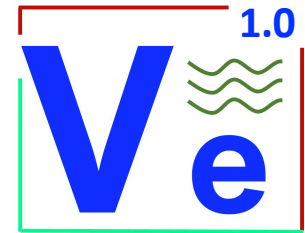


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Starting VE

ve filename

VE Modes

Insert (default)

Overwrite

Command

Enter Text

Type characters – VE defaults to text insertion mode

Format Text

Esc-o, p Enable on-the-fly text wrapping (Power Typing)

Break/Join Lines

Enter Break line into two at cursor
Del End, Delete joins two lines
Rubout Home, Rubout joins two lines

Repeat Last Command

F1 Repeat last command
Esc-a Repeat last command

Function Keys

F1 Again. Repeat last command
F2 Block. Define, operate on blocks
F3 About. About VE (program masthead)
F4 Jump. Jump to start, end, line number
F5 Find. Find text pattern
F6 Replace. Replace text pattern with another
F7 Paste. Paste last copied line/block
F8 Edit. Edit more or new files, switch files
F9 Delete Line. Kill the current line
F10 Delete Right. Delete to end of line
F11 Update. Save file, return to editing
F12 Quit. Save/Save As/Discard/Quit VE

Moving Around

Home Move to start of line
End Move to end of line
Cursor Keys Move one row or column
Page Up/Dn Move one screen up/down
Esc-j, l Jump to line number
Esc-z Move line to top of screen

Delete Text

Del Delete char under cursor
Rubout Delete char to left of cursor
F10 Delete to end of line

Find Text

Esc-f Find text
F5 Find text

Find and Replace Text

Esc-r Find, replace text patterns
F6 Find, replace text patterns
-v Verify; prompt each replacement (append “-v” to replace pattern)

Copy, Paste, Delete, Move Lines

Esc-b, b Copy current line
Esc-b, d Delete current line (copies first)
Esc-b, g Get/Paste copied/deleted lines
F7 Paste copied/deleted lines
F9 Kill current line (not copied)

Repeat Command “n” Times

Esc-n command: repeat “n” times
Esc-* command: repeat until done

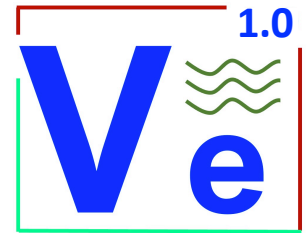
Save Your Work and/or Quit VE

F11 Save file to disk
Esc-q Quit command
s Save file, discard/move/quit
d Discard file, move/quit
a Discard all files, quit
w Write file out w/ new name
CTL-f Force Quit (if VE seems stuck)

Miscellaneous Commands

Esc-v Redraw screen
ESC-s VE status

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Work with Line Blocks

Esc-b	Block command
Markers	Interactively define block
c	Copy block to buffer
a	Append block to block
d	Delete block (copies to buffer)
g	Paste Block Buffer lines into file
s	Save block or buffer to file
r	Read file into buffer, paste it

Macros

Esc-m	Macro command
c	Create macro
s	Stop macro creation
l	List all defined macros
e	Execute Macro
x	eXecute Macro
d	Delete macro
s	Save macro to file
r	Read macro from file
Esc-x	eXecute Macro

At startup, VE automatically executes any macro found at c:\ve.mac.

Edit Multiple Files

Esc-e	Edit command
f	Edit a file
n	Edit new empty file
m	Menu of open files
+	Move to next open file
-	Move to last open file

VE Options

Esc-o	Options command
t	Set Tab, tabstop options
a	Set auto-indent options
p	Enable/Disable Power Typing