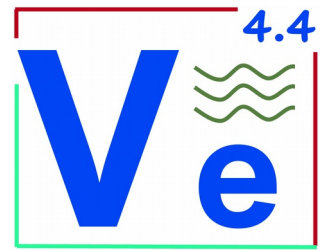


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Starting VE

ve filename
ve filename1, filename2 ... filename "n"

VE Information

Esc-i Line num, file size, location %
Esc-s VE status
Esc-A About 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-PgUp Jump to top of file
Esc-PgDn Jump to bottom of file
Esc-j, l Jump to line number
Alt-CurRight Scroll screen to the right
Alt-CurLeft Scroll screen to the left
Esc-z (col 0) Move line to top of screen

VE Command Line Options

-l line-number
-s 80x50 | 80x43 | 80x25
-g MDA|CGA|EGA|VGA
-h | --help | /h | /?

VE Modes

Insert (default)
Overwrite
Command

VE Help

Alt-h VE Help panels
Alt-t VE on-demand tips

Repeating Commands

F1 Repeat last command
Esc-a Repeat last command

Repeat Command "n" Times

Esc-n command: repeat "n" times
Esc-* command: repeat until done

Undoing Commands

Esc-u Undo last command
Ctl-z Undo last command

Formatting Text

Esc-w Wrap text lines
Esc-o, w Enable on-the-fly text wrapping

Deleting Characters

Del Delete char under cursor
Rubout Delete char to left of cursor

Function Keys

F1 Again. Repeat last command
F2 Block. Define, operate on blocks
F3 Column. Define, operate on rectangles
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/rectangle
F8 Edit. Edit new or existing 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

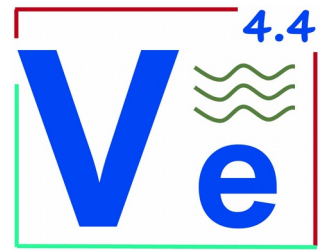
Break/Join Lines

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

Copy, Paste, Delete, Move Lines

Ctl-c Copy current line
Ctl-a Copy, Append current line
Ctl-x Delete current line (copies first)
Ctl-v Paste copied/appended/deleted lines
F7 Paste copied/appended/deleted lines
F9 Kill current line (not copied)

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Find Text Patterns

Esc-f Find text patterns
 F5 Find text patterns
 ^pattern Match start of line
 pattern\$ Match end of line

Find and Replace Text Patterns

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

Work with Line Blocks (Vertical)

Esc-b Block command
 Markers Interactively define block
 c Copy block to Block Buffer
 a Append block to Block Buffer
 d Delete block (copies to Block Buffer)
 k Kill block (not copied to Block Buffer)
 w Wrap defined block
 p Paste Block Buffer lines into file
 s Save block or Block Buffer to file
 r Read file into Block Buffer, paste it
 x eXchange Block and Column buffers

Work with Rectangles (Horizontal)

Esc-c Column/Rectangle command
 Markers Interactively define rectangular area
 c Copy area to Column Buffer
 a Append area to Column Buffer
 d Delete area (copies to Column Buffer)
 k Kill area (not copied to Column Buffer)
 p Paste Column Buffer area into file
 s Save area or Column Buffer to file
 r Read file into Column Buffer, paste it
 x eXchange Column and Block buffers

Macros

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

On-the-Fly (Auto) Macros

Alt-a Create Auto macro
 Alt-a Complete Auto macro
 Alt-x Execute Auto macro

Tags

Esc-t Tags command
 0-9 Set Tag 0 – Tag 9
 j Jump to tag "n"
 l List defined tags

Other Commands

Alt-d Shell to DOS
 Alt-~ Change char case
 Esc-v Redraw screen

VE Options

Esc-o Options command
 t Set Tab, tabstop options
 c Set screen, cursor colors
 a Set auto-indent options
 m Set match chars (^, \$)
 b Set performance options
 w/p Enable text wrapping

Edit Multiple Files

Esc-e Edit command
 f Open File dialog
 n Add empty new file
 + Move to next open file
 - Move to last open file
 Alt-+ Next File command
 (also ALT-=)
 Alt-- Previous File command
 Alt-* Goto File dialog
 Enter Move to selected file
 s Save, close selected file
 Del Close/Discard selected file

Mouse Support

Alt-m Show/Hide mouse
 Click Place cursor, select file

Save Your Work and/or Quit VE

Ctl-s Save file to disk
 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)

Selected information only
 See User Guide for full details
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