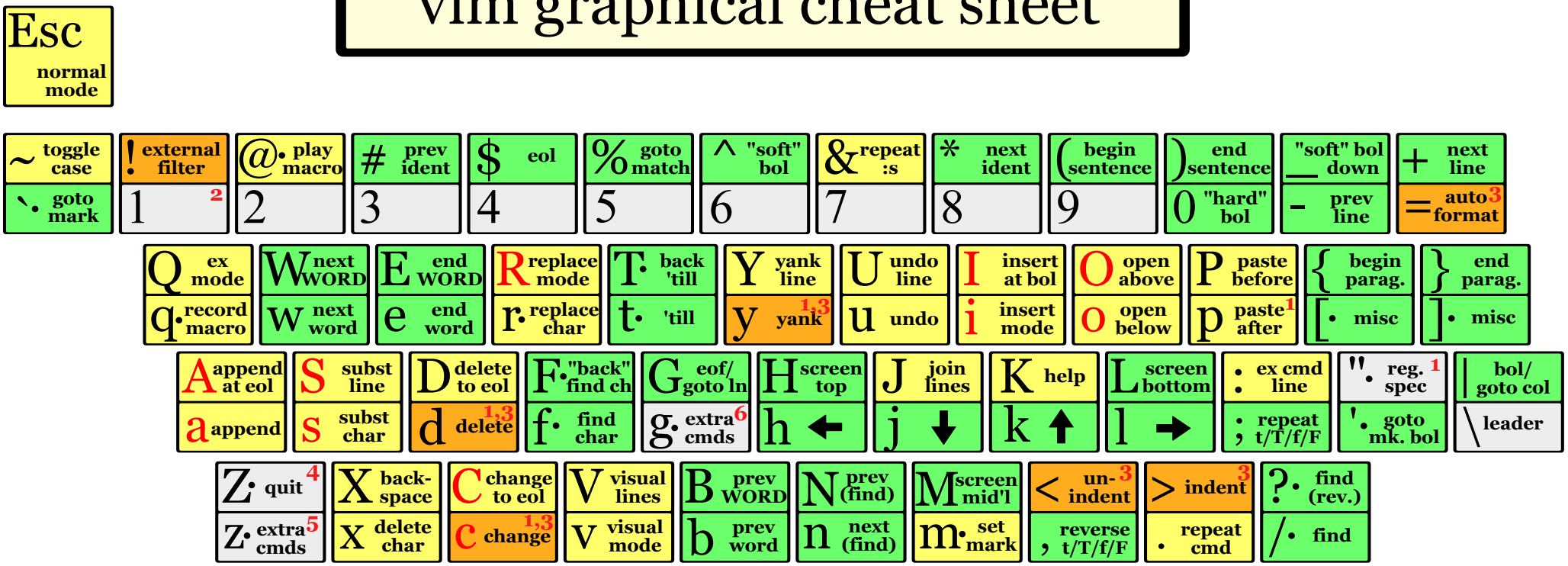
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vim graphical cheat sheet



motion — moves the cursor, or defines the range for an operator

command — direct action command, if red, it enters insert mode

operator — requires a motion afterwards, operates between cursor & destination

extra — special functions, requires extra input

q· — commands with a dot need a char argument afterwards

bol = beginning of line, eol = end of line,
mk = mark, yank = copy

words: `quux(foo, bar, baz);`
WORDs: `quux(foo, bar, baz);`

Main command line commands ('ex'):

:w (save), :q (quit), :q! (quit w/o saving),
:wq (save+quit), :wqa (...multiple files),
:e *f* (open file *f*),
:%s/*x*/*y*/g (replace '*x*' by '*y*' filewide),
:h (help), :new (new file),

Other important commands:

CTRL-R: redo,
CTRL-F/-B: page up/down,
CTRL-E/-Y: scroll line up/down,
CTRL-V: block-visual mode

Visual mode:

Move around and type operator to act on selected region

Notes:

(1) use "x before a yank/paste/del command to use that register ('clipboard') (x=a..z,*) (e.g.: "ay$ to copy rest of line to reg 'a')

(2) type in a number before any action to repeat it that number of times (e.g.: 2p, d2w, 5i, d4j)

(3) duplicate operator to act on current line (dd = delete line, >> = indent line)

(4) ZZ to save & quit, ZQ to quit w/o saving

(5) zt: scroll cursor to top, zb: bottom, zz: center

(6) gg: top of file, gf: open file under cursor

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