

Org-Mode Reference Card (1/2)

(for version 5.17)

Getting Started

(add-to-list 'auto-mode-alist '(("\\.org\$" . org-mode))
(define-key global-map "\C-cl" 'org-store-link)¹
(define-key global-map "\C-ca" 'org-agenda)¹

For the many customization options try M-x org-customize
To read the on-line documentation try M-x org-info

Visibility Cycling

rotate current subtree between states TAB
rotate entire buffer between states S-TAB
show the whole file C-c C-a
reveal context around point C-c C-r
show subtree in indirect buffer, ded. frame C-c C-k

Motion

next/previous heading C-c C-n/p
next/previous heading, same level C-c C-f/b
backward to higher level heading C-c C-u
jump to another place in document C-c C-j
previous/next plain list item S-UP/DOWN³

Structure Editing

insert new heading/item at current level M-RET
insert new heading after subtree C-RET
insert new TODO entry/checkbox item M-S-RET
promote current heading up one level M-LEFT
demote current heading down one level M-RIGHT
promote current subtree up one level M-S-LEFT
demote current subtree down one level M-S-RIGHT
move subtree/list item up/down M-S-UP/DOWN
refile subtree C-c C-w
kill subtree C-c C-x C-w
copy subtree C-c C-x M-w
yank subtree C-c C-x C-y
narrow buffer to current subtree C-x n s

Archiving

toggle ARCHIVE tag C-c C-x C-a
force cycling of an ARCHIVED tree C-TAB
move subtree to archive file C-c C-x C-s

Filtering and Sparse Trees

construct a sparse tree by various criteria C-c /
view TODO's in sparse tree C-c C-v
global TODO list in agenda mode C-c t¹
time sorted view of current org file C-c a L

Tables

Creating a table

just start typing, e.g. |Name|Phone|Age RET | - TAB
convert region to table C-c |
... separator at least 3 spaces C-3 C-c |

Commands available inside tables

The following commands work when the cursor is *inside a table*.
Outside of tables, the same keys may have other functionality.

Re-aligning and field motion

re-align the table without moving the cursor C-c C-c
re-align the table, move to next field TAB
move to previous field S-TAB
re-align the table, move to next row RET

Row and column editing

move the current column left M-LEFT/RIGHT
kill the current column M-S-LEFT
insert new column to left of cursor position M-S-RIGHT
move the current row up/down M-UP/DOWN
kill the current row or horizontal line M-S-UP
insert new row above the current row M-S-DOWN
insert hline below (C-u : above) current row C-c -
sort lines in region C-c ^

Regions

cut rectangular region C-c C-x C-w
copy rectangular region C-c C-x M-w
paste rectangular region C-c C-x C-y
fill paragraph across selected cells C-c C-q

Miscellaneous

to limit column width to N characters, use ...| <N> | ...
edit the current field in a separate window C-c '
make current field fully visible C-u TAB
export as tab-separated file M-x org-table-export
import tab-separated file M-x org-table-import
sum numbers in current column/rectangle C-c +

Tables created with the table.el package

insert a new table.el table C-c ~
recognize existing table.el table C-c C-c
convert table (Org-mode ↔ table.el) C-c ~

Spreadsheet

Formulas typed in field are executed by TAB, RET and C-c C-c.
= introduces a column formula, := a field formula.

Example: Add Col1 and Col2 |=\$1+\$2 |
... with printf format specification |=\$1+\$2;%.2f |
... with constants from constants.el |=\$1/\$c/\$cm |
sum from 2nd to 3rd hline |:=vsum(@II..@III) |
apply current column formula | = |

set and eval column formula C-c =
set and eval field formula C-u C-c =
re-apply all stored equations to current line C-c *
re-apply all stored equations to entire table C-u C-c *
iterate table to stability C-u C-u C-c *
rotate calculation mark through # * ! ^ _ \$ C-#
show line, column, formula reference C-c ?
toggle coordinate grid C-c }
toggle formula debugger C-c {

Formula Editor

edit formulas in separate buffer C-c '
exit and install new formulas C-c C-c
exit, install, and apply new formulas C-u C-c C-c
abort C-c C-q
toggle reference style C-c C-r
pretty-print Lisp formula TAB
complete Lisp symbol M-TAB
shift reference point S-cursor
shift test line for column references M-up/down
scroll the window showing the table M-S-up/down
toggle table coordinate grid C-c }

Links

globally store link to the current location C-c l¹
insert a link (TAB completes stored links) C-c C-l
insert file link with file name completion C-u C-c C-l
edit (also hidden part of) link at point C-c C-l
open file links in emacs C-c C-o
...force open in emacs/other window C-u C-c C-o
open link at point mouse-1/2
...force open in emacs/other window mouse-3
record a position in mark ring C-c %
jump back to last followed link(s) C-c &
Find next link C-c C-x C-n
Find previous link C-c C-x C-p

Internal Links

<<My Target>> target
<<<My Target>>> radio target²
[[*this text]] find headline
[[this text]] find target or text in buffer
[[this text][description]] optional link text

External Links

file:/home/dominik/img/mars.jpg file, absolute
file:papers/last.pdf file, relative
file:projects.org::*that text find headline
file:projects.org::find me find trgt/string
http://www.astro.uva.nl/~dominik on the web
mailto:adent@galaxy.net Email address
news:comp.emacs Usenet group
bbdb:Richard Stallman BBDB person
gnus:group GNUS group
gnus:group#id GNUS message
vm|wl|mhe|rmail:folder Mail folder
vm|wl|mhe|rmail:folder#id Mail message
info:emacs:Regexp Info file:node
shell:ls *.org shell command
elisp:(calendar) elisp form
[[external link][description]] optional link text

Completion

In-buffer completion completes TODO keywords at headline start, TeX macros after “\”, option keywords after “#-”, TAGS after “:”, and dictionary words elsewhere.

Complete word at point M-TAB

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TODO Items and Checkboxes

rotate the state of the current item	C-c C-t
select next/previous state	S-LEFT/RIGHT
select next/previous set	C-S-LEFT/RIGHT
view TODO items in a sparse tree	C-c C-v
view 3rd TODO keyword's sparse tree	C-3 C-c C-v
set the priority of the current item	C-c , [ABC]
remove priority cookie from current item	C-c , SPC
raise/lower priority of current item	S-UP/DOWN ³
insert new checkbox item in plain list	M-S-RET
toggle checkbox(es) in region/entry/at point	C-c C-x C-b
toggle checkbox at point	C-c C-c
checkbox statistics cookies: insert [/] or [%]	
update checkbox statistics (C-u : whole file)	C-c #

Tags

set tags for current heading	C-c C-c
realign tags in all headings	C-u C-c C-c
create sparse tree with matching tags	C-c \
globally (agenda) match tags at cursor	C-c C-o

Properties and Column View

set property	C-c C-x p
special commands in property lines	C-c C-c
next/previous allowed value	S-left/right
turn on column view	C-c C-x C-c
capture columns view in dynamic block	C-c C-x r
quit column view	q
next/previous allowed value	S-left/right
next/previous allowed value	n / p
edit value	e
edit allowed values list	a
show value	v
make column wider/narrower	> / <
move column left/right	M-left/right
add new column	M-S-right
Delete current column	M-S-left

Timestamps

prompt for date and insert timestamp	C-c .
like C-c . but insert date and time format	C-u C-c .
Like C-c . but make stamp inactive	C-c !
insert DEADLINE timestamp	C-c C-d
insert SCHEDULED timestamp	C-c C-s
create sparse tree with all deadlines due	C-c / d
the time between 2 dates in a time range	C-c C-y
change timestamp at cursor by ±1 day	S-RIGHT/LEFT ³
change year/month/day at cursor by ±1	S-UP/DOWN ³
access the calendar for the current date	C-c >
insert timestamp matching date in calendar	C-c <
access agenda for current date	C-c C-o
Select date while prompted	mouse-1/RET
Toggle custom format display for dates/times	C-c C-x C-t

Clocking time

start clock on current item	C-c C-x C-i
stop clock on current item	C-c C-x C-o
cancel current clock	C-c C-x C-x
display total subtree times	C-c C-x C-d
remove displayed times	C-c C-c
insert/update table with clock report	C-c C-x C-r

Agenda Views

add/move current file to front of agenda	C-c [
remove current file from your agenda	C-c]
cycle through agenda file list	C-'
set/remove restriction lock	C-c C-x </>
compile agenda for the current week	C-c a a ¹
compile global TODO list	C-c a t ¹
compile TODO list for specific keyword	C-c a T ¹
match tags in agenda files	C-c a m ¹
match tags in TODO entries	C-c a M ¹
find stuck projects	C-c a # ¹
show timeline of current org file	C-c a L ¹
configure custom commands	C-c a C ¹
configure stuck projects	C-c a ! ¹
agenda for date at cursor	C-c C-o

Commands available in an agenda buffer

View Org file	
show original location of item	SPC/mouse-3
show and recenter window	L
goto original location in other window	TAB/mouse-2
goto original location, delete other windows	RET
show subtree in indirect buffer, ded. frame	b
toggle follow-mode	f
Change display	
delete other windows	o
switch to day/week/month/year view	d w m y
toggle inclusion of diary entries	D
toggle time grid for daily schedule	g
toggle display of logbook entries	l
refresh agenda buffer with any changes	r
save all org-mode buffers	s
display the following org-agenda-ndays	RIGHT
display the previous org-agenda-ndays	LEFT
goto today	.

Remote editing

digit argument	0-9
change state of current TODO item	t
kill item and source	C-k
archive the subtree	\$
show tags of current headline	T
set tags for current headline/region	:
toggle ARCHIVE tag	a
set priority of current item	p
raise/lower priority of current item	S-UP/DOWN ³
display weighted priority of current item	P
schedule/set deadline for this item	C-c C-s/d
change timestamp to one day earlier/later	S-LEFT/RIGHT ³
change timestamp to today	>
insert new entry into diary	i

start/stop/cancel the clock on current item	I / O / X
jump to running clock entry	J

Misc

Open link in current line	C-c C-o
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Calendar commands

find agenda cursor date in calendar	c
compute agenda for calendar cursor date	c
show phases of the moon	M
show sunrise/sunset times	S
show holidays	H
convert date to other calendars	C

Quit and Exit

quit agenda, remove agenda buffer	q
exit agenda, remove all agenda buffers	x

Calendar and Diary Integration

Include Emacs diary entries into Org-mode agenda with:
(setq org-agenda-include-diary t)

LaTeX and cldatex-mode

preview LaTeX fragment	C-c C-x C-1
Expand abbreviation (cldatex-mode)	TAB
Insert/modify math symbol (cldatex-mode)	' / '

Exporting and Publishing

Exporting creates files with extensions *.txt* and *.html* in the current directory. Publishing puts the resulting file into some other place.

export/publish dispatcher	C-c C-e
export visible part only	C-c C-e v
insert template of export options	C-c C-x t
toggle fixed width for entry or region	C-c :

Comments: Text not being exported

Text before the first headline is not considered part of the document and is therefore never exported. Lines starting with # are comments and are not exported. Subtrees whose header starts with COMMENT are never exported.

toggle COMMENT keyword on entry	C-c ;
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Dynamic Blocks

update dynamic block at point	C-c C-x C-u
update all dynamic blocks	C-u C-c C-x C-u

Notes

¹ This is only a suggestion for a binding of this command. Choose you own key as shown under INSTALLATION.

² After changing a #+KEYWORD or <<<target>>> line, press C-c C-c with the cursor still in the line to update.

³ Keybinding affected by org-CUA-compatibility.

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