CSc 352 VIM

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Announcements

- PA 1
- Did you purchase the textbook? Are you completing the readings?

Text Editors

- Many text editors
 - GUI-Based: Notepad, TextEdit, Pycharm, Eclipse
 - Screen / Shell based: nano, emacs, vim

- Nano: A more beginner / basic editor
- Vim: My go-to for shell based editor
- Emacs: Another options feel free to experiment with

Vim

- Vi IMproved An improved version of the original VI editor by Bill Joy
- VIM created by Bram Moolemar
 - BDFL for VIM
- Open source software
- Charityware
- Amongst programmers, a popular way to edit text files (including source code files) via a shell such as bash

Modes

- At any given time, you are in one of the "modes" when using vim
- Normal for browsing / viewing text
- **Insert** for adding text
- Visual Select text regions (like click-and-drag with a GUI)
- Command for executing commands
- Replace replace / type-over text

Vim

- I'm going to show a few of the vim basics
- Up to you to go from the basics to being a competent programmer with vim
- Practice!
- Though technically you could get by in this course without learning vim / emacs, I would not recommend it.
- https://www.openvim.com/