broot Tree navigator

CONCEPTS

Run broot through the br function, not the binary: only then can Alt+Enter change your shell's directory.

Pattern letters, /regex, c/text
↓ narrows
Tree selected line
↓ space or :
Verb :cp, :rm, :e
↓ acts on
Selection file or staged set

Every keystroke in the input is one of these

Type a pattern first, then a verb: the input takes both, e.g. 'readme :e'. Esc clears the verb, a second Esc clears the pattern.

LAUNCH

br
Start broot in the current directory

br *<path>*
Start in another directory, or preview a file

br -s
Show sizes

br -h
Show hidden files

br -i
Show git-ignored files

LAUNCH (cont.)

br -d
Show last-modified dates

br -p
Show permissions, owner and group

br -sdp
Use as an ls replacement

br -w
Whale mode: find what eats disk space

br -f
Show folders only

br -g
Show git status of files

br -gg
Only files with a git status

br -c "*<cmds>***"**
Run commands as if typed, separated by ;

broot --install
(Re)install the br shell function

NAVIGATE

Arrows
Move the selection

Enter
Open file / make directory the root

Alt+Enter
Leave broot, cd the shell to the directory

NAVIGATE (cont.)

Esc
Clear input / return to previous state / quit

?
Show help and config file location

Ctrl+q
Quit

:parent
Focus the parent directory

:focus *<path>*
Make a directory the root

:focus ~
Jump to your home directory

Ctrl+s
Search the whole tree / restore last pattern

Alt+h
Toggle hidden files

Alt+i
Toggle git-ignored files

SEARCH

<letters>
Fuzzy match on sub-path from the root

n/*<text>*
Fuzzy match on file name only

e/*<text>*
Exact match on file name

SEARCH (cont.)

/*<regex>*
Regex on file name

/*<regex>***/i**
Case-insensitive regex

c/*<text>*
Files containing text

rc/*<regex>*
Files whose content matches regex

!*<pattern>*
Negate a pattern

*<a>***&***<b>*
Both patterns must match

*<a>***|***<b>*
Either pattern matches

VIEW

:sort
Cycle sort: date, count, size, type

:size
Toggle sizes

:dates
Toggle dates

:gf
Toggle git status per file

:gs
Show only files git sees as changed

FILES

:e
Edit file in your editor

FILES (cont.)

:cp *<path>*
Copy the selection

:mv *<path>*
Move the selection

:rm
Delete the selection

:trash
Send the selection to the trash

:rename
Rename (F2), pre-filled with current name

:md *<name>*
Create a directory (slashes allowed)

PANELS AND STAGING

Ctrl+Right
Open or focus the panel on the right

:focus! *<path>*
Open a directory in a new panel

:cpp
Copy selection to the other panel

:mvp
Move selection to the other panel

Ctrl+g
Stage or unstage the selection