List of Commands

1 Commands in a Terminal

pwd (print working directory): display the current directory
ls (list segments): display all files and directories in the current directory
mkdir (make directory): make a new directory
mv (move): move a specified file to another place, or rename a specified file (= move it to the same place with a different name)
cd (change directory): change the current directory
cp (copy): copy a specified file
rm (remove): remove a specified file

2 Useful Shortcut Commands in irb

Tab: complement your typing

cat (catenate): display a file

 $\mathbf{Ctrl}\ \mathbf{c}\ :\ \mathrm{force}\text{-quit}$

Ctrl d : quit irb

 \uparrow **or** \downarrow : trace back the last inputs

Other commands

Ctrl \mathbf{p} : same as \uparrow or \downarrow

Ctrl \mathbf{n} : same as \downarrow

Ctrl r : Search the history

Ctrl b or \leftarrow : Move the cursor to the left

Ctrl f or \rightarrow : Move the cursor to the right

Ctrl a : Move the cursor to the beginning

Ctrl e: Move the cursor to the end

Ctrl k : Delete the right part after the cursor

 $\mathbf{Ctrl}\ \mathbf{w}\ : \mathbf{Delete}\ \mathbf{the}\ \mathbf{left}\ \mathbf{part}\ \mathbf{before}\ \mathbf{the}\ \mathbf{cursor}$

Ctrl y: Recover deleted one at the position

3 File Management in irb

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To display the current directory (same as pwd),
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Dir.pwd # same as Dir.pwd()
To display file and directories in the current directory (same as ls),
Dir.entries(".")
"." is a relative-path name of the current directory.
To change the current directory (same as cd), type in, for example,
Dir.chdir("Desktop")
Dir.chdir("..")
Dir.chdir("/home02/ckaki")
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The second one means to go to the parent directory.

4 Loading a Function from a File

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load("FILE NAME")
For example, write
load("./bmi.rb")
Note that ./ means the current directory. We need to specify where the file is.
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Trouble Shooting on Loading a File

• irb says "no such file to load".

You may be running irb in directory different from one having the Ruby file.

Answer. Confirm that you have a file in the directory when you type in irb Can use unix commands such as cd, pwd by putting them between "

- Irb says "undefined method" despite you load the function correctly.
 - Your file may have a new-line character CR(Mac), which cannot be read by Ruby.
 - **Answer1.** Change the new-line char to LF(UNIX) and resave it
 - The loaded file is different from one you are editing with text editor, and the loaded file is empty.
 - **Answer2.** Change the directory

Trouble Shooting on Editing a File

• When you click a Ruby file, e.g., bmi.rb, Mac may open this file with another application(Xcode).

You need to change the application associated with the postfix(.rb) to mi(or emacs).

Answer. Right-click on the file "get info" "open .. with this application" Use the menu "open" in text editor.

Trouble Shooting on Copying

• irb displays sentences like **Display all 200 possibilities?** (y or n) and cannot enter commands any more.

Answer It happens sometimes when you copy&paste a text containing TAB. Delete TAB, or use load to avoid the error.