

Welcome back

Python course 2016 - Week 2 - Day 4

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Files

Live demo

Files

```
handle = open('test.txt')
type(handle)
handle.name
handle.read?
handle.read(100)
handle.read()
handle.write('a')
x = 4
for elem in x: print elem
x = [1,2,2,3]
for elem in x: print elem
x = "iuoiuoiu"
for elem in x: print elem
for elem in handle: print elem
handle.seek(0)
for elem in handle: print elem
handle = open('sari_pfam_list.rtf', 'w')
handle.write("aaa")
```

Files summary

1. `open()` returns an object of type "file" which has nice methods.
2. "file" objects are iterable.
3. `open(path, 'w')` deletes a file completely, be careful.

Modules: sys and os

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```
os.chdir(path)
os.mkdir('temp')
os.makedirs('/tmp/temp/temp')
os.rmdir('/tmp/temp')
os.rename()
os.walk()
os.environ
```

```
sys.platform
sys.version
sys.argv
sys.stderr
sys.stdout
sys.maxint
sys.exit()
```

sys and os summary

1. "os" is for interacting with the filesystem mostly as well as some operating system functions.
2. "sys" is for requesting system specific parameters.

Exercise Day 2 - #3

Parsing and data structure

A file `distance.dat` is given. Each of its line contains the name of two cities and the distance between them; these quantities are separated by spaces or tabs. Write a python program that parses this file and builds a data structure in memory to contain the result. It's important to chose the right data structure for the task at hand. Would you use a list ? A tuple ? A list of lists ? A dictionary ? A set ? A tuple indexed dictionary ? A dictionary of dictionaries ? Using this data structure, compute the total distance of a given tour, specified in a tuple tour containing, in order, the names of the cities to visit.

Solution

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1 import os
2 # Set the path #
3 in_path = "distance.dat"
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Distance.dat

1	Boston	New-York	301
2	New-York	Geneva	6220
3	New-York	Paris	5838
4	Geneva	Boston	5918
5	Boston	Paris	5536
6	Paris	Geneva	411
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Solution

```
1
2 def compute_distance(all_distances, tour):
3     """Given the *all_distances* dictionary, will computes the
4     total distance in the city tour *tour*.
5     return sum((all_distances[tour[i],tour[i+1]] for i in
6     range(len(tour)-1)))
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Exercise Day 2 - #5

Combining files

A collaborator gives you 3 different files. One with the chromosome names (chrom.txt), one with the start and end of fragments (start_end.txt) and one with the genes corresponding to it (gene.txt). Write a python script that will reconstruct one BED formatted file with these 3 files.

Solution

```
1 import os
2 # Get the shell arguments #
3 in_paths = ("chrom.txt", "start_end.txt", "gene.txt")
4 out_path = "combined.txt"
5 # Check that the paths are all valid #
6 if not all((os.path.exists(p) for p in in_paths)):
7     raise Exception("No file at %s." % p)
8 # Will hold the contents of the files #
9 contents = [[l.strip('\n') for l in open(p)] for p in in_paths]
10 # Combine them in #
11 combined = zip(contents[0], contents[1], contents[2])
12 # Add the tabs and new lines #
13 serialized = [' '.join(l) + '\n' for l in combined]
14 # Write the thing back to disk #
15 with open(out_path, 'w') as f: f.writelines(serialized)
```

15 minutes break

