Practice 2

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1 Introduction

This report contains the solutions of the Practical II of the Astroinformatics I course. The tasks consist of manipulating light curve files using shell scripts, classifying stars based on their temperature, and calculating Julian days from calendar dates. All the code and explanations are developed below.

2 Exercise solutions

2.1 Task 1

Use the CSV files you generated from the FITS files in practice 1. Write shell scripts to modify them in the following way:

1. Change delimiter from "," to "".

For this item, we use the **sed** command, as we learn in class, to replace commas with spaces.

First, we create our script in the terminal using the command nano, in the following way:

```
nano task1_practice2.sh #to create the script
chmod 755 task1_practice2.sh #to make the script
executable
```

We write the following code inside the script. We define the path where the files we want to modify are located and the path where the modified files will go to:

```
#!/bin/bash
#Input
tess_file="/Users/anapereira/Documents/tess_practice/
tess_csv_lc"
#Output
tess_file_modified="/Users/anapereira/Documents/
tess_practice/tess_csv_lc/practice_2"
```

Then, using a for loop, we iterate over all .csv files inside the tess_csv_lc directory. Within the loop, we use basename to extract the name of each file without its extension.

The sed command is then used to replace all commas in each file with spaces and the output files are saved in the practice_2 folder using the same original name, followed by _mod.csv:

```
for tess_csv in "$tess_file"/*.csv; do
    new_name=$(basename "$tess_csv" .csv)
    sed 's/,/ /g' "$tess_csv" > "$tess_file_modified/${
    new_name}_mod.csv"
    done
```

When we run the script using ./task_practice2.sh from inside the practice_2 folder, we get:

```
anapereira@MacBook-Pro-de-Ana practice_2 % ls
task1_practice2.sh
                        tess_lc_411_mod.csv
                                                 tess_lc_696_mod.csv
tess_lc_015_mod.csv
                        tess_lc_416_mod.csv
                                                 tess_lc_723_mod.csv
tess_lc_045_mod.csv
                        tess_lc_463_mod.csv
                                                 tess_lc_736_mod.csv
tess_lc_191_mod.csv
                         tess_lc_539_mod.csv
                                                 tess_lc_744_mod.csv
tess_lc_268_mod.csv
                         tess_lc_589_mod.csv
                                                 tess_lc_765_mod.csv
tess_lc_329_mod.csv
                         tess_lc_666_mod.csv
                                                 tess_lc_979_mod.csv
tess_lc_406_mod.csv
                        tess_lc_692_mod.csv
                                                 tess_lc_984_mod.csv
```

Figure 1: Terminal output showing the modified .csv files, obtained by executing the script task1_practice2.sh.

To check our results, we can open the output file either with Excel or by using the pandas library. Opening the file in Excel, we can observe the following:

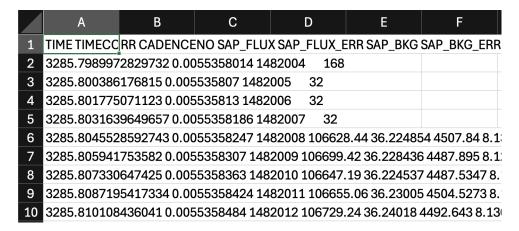


Figure 2: Screenshot of the file tess_lc_589_mod.csv opened in Excel.

2.1 Task 1

And using pandas, by specifying that the columns are separated by spaces, we can see the following:

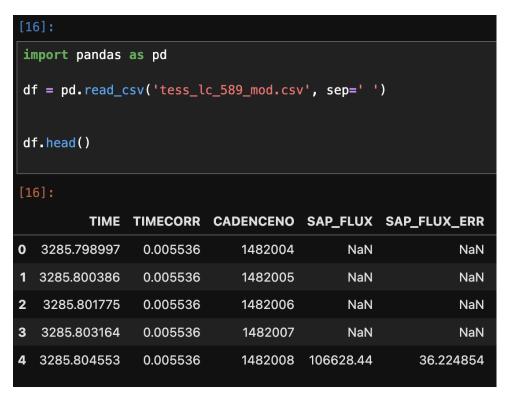


Figure 3: Screenshot of the file tess_lc_589_mod.csv opened with pandas

2. Change the file extension from ".csv" to ".lc".

In the same script, using the for loop, we specify the path where the modified files with extension .csv are located. Inside the loop, using the command mv we change the extension .csv to .lc:

We run the script and verify the result using the ls command.

```
anapereira@MacBook-Pro-de-Ana practice_2 % ls
                                                 tess_lc_696_mod.lc
task1_practice2.sh
                         tess_lc_411_mod.lc
tess_lc_015_mod.lc
                         tess_lc_416_mod.lc
                                                 tess_lc_723_mod.lc
                                                 tess_lc_736_mod.lc
tess_lc_045_mod.lc
                         tess_lc_463_mod.lc
tess_lc_191_mod.lc
                         tess_lc_539_mod.lc
                                                 tess_lc_744_mod.lc
                                                 tess_lc_765_mod.lc
tess_lc_268_mod.lc
                         tess_lc_589_mod.lc
tess_lc_329_mod.lc
                         tess_lc_666_mod.lc
                                                 tess_lc_979_mod.lc
tess_lc_406_mod.lc
                         tess_lc_692_mod.lc
                                                 tess_lc_984_mod.lc
```

Figure 4: Terminal output showing the modified files with the .1c extension, obtained by executing the script task1_practice2.sh

3. Remove all columns that are not part of light curve plot.

In this last part, inside the same script. We use the for loop, to go through all the .lc type files. For each file, we extract the name with basename and define a new file name for the output, which will contain only the columns needed to plot the light curve: TIME and PDCSAP_FLUX.

Then, using the command awk we filter the columns that correspond to the light curve plot (namely TIME and PDCSAP_FLUX). We specify the space character as the delimiter (-F' '), define new column names followed by the values corresponding to the first and eighth column of the original file (since we know that PDCSAP_FLUX corresponds to the eighth column).

To verify our result, we converted the .1c files back to .csv by reusing the code from

point 2, but applying the inverse process, and the opened them using pandas:

```
import pandas as pd
filename = 'tess_lc_589_mod_lcfile.csv'
df = pd.read_csv(filename, sep=' ')
# To show all files
pd.set_option('display.max_rows', None)
print(df)
              TIME
                     PDCSAP_FLUX
       3285.798997
                             NaN
       3285.800386
                             NaN
       3285.801775
                             NaN
       3285.803164
                             NaN
       3285.804553
                      113017.270
5
       3285.805942
                      113044.080
       3285.807331
                      113043.680
       3285.808720
                      113020.695
       3285.810108
                      113149.570
```

Figure 5: File tess_lc_589_mod_lcfile.csv open with pandas which shows the columns corresponding to the light curve plot.

2.2 Task 2

Spectra of stars are classified according to the letters O,B,A,F,G,K, and M. These correspond to the following temperature ranges (in degrees K):

```
O: 30000 - 60000
B: 10000 - 30000
A: 7500 - 10000
F: 6000 - 7500
G: 5000 - 6000
K: 3500 - 5000
M: 2000 - 3500
```

Write a program which takes the temperature as a command line argument and prints out the spectral class. Print a suitable message if the temperature is out of range.

For this task, we created a Jupyter Notebook where we used the input() function to ask the user to enter the temperature of a star in Kelvin. Then using if, elif and else conditionals,

the input value is compared against the defined temperature ranges for each spectral type, as shown in the as follows:

```
temperature = float(input("Enter the star temperature in Kelvin:
    "))
if temperature <60000.0 and temperature >= 30000.0:
      print('Your star is a O type')
elif temperature >= 10000.0 and temperature <30000.0:
      print('Your star is a B type')
elif temperature >= 7500.0 and temperature <10000.0:
      print('Your star is a A type')
 elif temperature >=6000.0 and temperature <7500.0:</pre>
      print('Your star is a F type')
elif temperature >= 5000.0 and temperature < 6000.0:
      print('Your star is a G type')
elif temperature >= 3500.0 and temperature <5000.0:
      print('Your star is a K type')
elif temperature >= 2000.0 and temperature <3500.0:
      print('Your star is a M type')
 else:
      print("Temperature out of classified range")
```

As an example, we run the code by entering the temperature of the Sun, we obtain the following result:

```
Enter the star temperature in Kelvin: 5772
Your star is a G type
```

Figure 6: Output of the Sun's spectral classification.

2.3 Task 3

Given the year, month and day of the month, the Julian day is calculated as follows: Julian = (36525*year)/100 + (306001*(month+1))/10000 + day + 1720981 where month is 13 for Jan, 14 for Feb, 3 for Mar, 4 for Apr etc. For Jan and Feb, the year is reduced by 1. Write a script which asks for the day, month and year and calculates the Julian day. All variables must be of integer type. What is the Julian day for 7 Jun 2008?

For task 3, we again created a notebook where we wrote the requested code:

```
print("Give me a date")
2 day = int(input("day: "))
month = input("month (for example: Jan, JAN, Feb, jun, etc..): ")
 month_number = {
      "Jan": 13, "Feb": 14, "Mar": 3, "Apr": 4, "May": 5, "Jun": 6,
     "Jul": 7, "Aug": 8, "Sep": 9, "Oct": 10, "Nov": 11, "Dec": 12
 month = month_number.get(month.capitalize())
 year = int(input("year: "))
 if month == 13 or month ==14:
     year = year - 1
14
     julian = int((36525 * year) / 100 + (306001 * (month + 1)) /
    10000 + day + 1720981)
     print("The julian day is:", julian)
     julian = int((36525 * year) / 100 + (306001 * (month + 1)) /
    10000 + day + 1720981)
     print("The julian day is:", julian)
```

The code does the following

- 1. The program asks the user to enter the day, the abbreviated month, and the year.
- 2. The program then associates the entered month with its corresponding numerical value according to the mapping defined in the code.
- 3. Using an if conditional, it checks whether the entered month is January or February; if so, it follows the instructions from the exercise by assigning January to 13 and February to 14, and reduces the year by one (i.e., year = year 1).
- 4. If the month is any other than January or February, the else block calculates the Julian day normally, using the month number without any modification.

5. Finally, the program computes the Julian day based on the given formula and prints the result.

Important: We added the line of code month = month_number.get(month.capitalize()) to make sure that, in case the user enters the month with a combination of upper and lower case letters (e.g. "jun", 'JUN', "Jun"), the program interprets it correctly. In this way, we avoid errors and can continue with the calculation of the Julian day.

Then, what is the Julian day of June 7, 2008?

```
Give me a date day: 7 month (for example: Jan, JAN, Feb, jun, etc..): JUN year: 2008
The julian day is: 2454624
```

Figure 7: Conversion of the date June 7, 2008 into Julian days.