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## **Day 2: Data structures**

Let's start by importing the data module

In [13]: from data import DNA\_Sequence,human\_sequence,Species\_list,sequences

## **Problem 1**

The \*DNA\_Sequence\* variable imported from the data module contains DNA sequence

a) Print the **DNA\_Sequence** variable

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b) Print the length of the **DNA\_Sequence** variable

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c) Count (with a method) the number of "A", "C", "T", and "G" nucleotides in the **DNA\_Sequence** variable and assign each one to a different variable (e.g, assign the number of "A"s to a variable named a\_count, etc) and then print each variable

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d) Transcribe the DNA\_Sequence and assign it to a new variable. Print the new variable.

(Tip: replace the "T" nucleotides for "U" nucleotides)

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e) Split the **DNA\_Sequence** at each "GAT" motif and store the resulting list in a new variable. Determine the number of the resulting fragments. Print the result.

(Tip: Determine the length of the resulting list of fragments to get the number of fragments)

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f) Merge the first and last fragments of the list resulted from e) and store it in a new variable. Print the new variable.

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## **Problem 2**

The human sequence variable imported from the data module contains a human DNA sequence

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a) Print the <b>human_sequence</b> variable
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b) Notice that both ends of the sequence contain gaps "-". Eliminate the gaps from boths ends of the sequence, and assign the resulting sequence to a new variable. Print the result.
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c) Change the capitalization of the <b>human_sequence</b> variable and print
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Problem 3
The <b>Species_list</b> variable imported from the <b>data</b> module contains a list with species names.
a) Determine the number of species in <b>Species_list</b> and print it.
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b) Sort the <b>Species_list</b> variable by alphabetical order and print.
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c) Change the "C_albicans" entry by a new species: "D_melanogaster". Print Species_list.
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d) Store the first 3 species of the <b>Species_list</b> list in a new variable: "First_species" and print.
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e) Create a new empty list and add the following species as entries: "C_kahawae","Q_suber","L_lepida"
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Problem 4
a) Create a new string variable composed of 100 "N" characters
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b) Create two new number variables with the numbers 23 and 323. Determine their sum, difference, division and multiplication

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c) Notice that the division of 23 by 323 results in "0". Convert both numbers into floating point variables and repeat the division

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## **Problem 5**

The **sequences** variable contains a dictionary with taxon name as keys, and their DNA sequence of the Cytb gene as values.

a) Determine the number of taxa contained in the dictionary

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b) Print both the taxon name and sequence of the 3°, 5° and 7° dictionary item.

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