

Python and Command Line Review

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This is not a quiz! Please work through the questions. If you get stuck you can try actually running the scripts to see how they work.

Typeset conventions: All code or code-like text is written in `constant-width font`.

Unix

1. Briefly define what the following unix commands will do.

- `cd /home/mydirectory`
- `cd ..`
- `cp`
- `less`
- `head`

2. How do you save a file in vim?

Data types

3. Data can be stored as integers, floats, strings, or lists. Write the data type of each variable listed below.

- `'tomato'`
- `56`

- 72.2
- ['apple', 'pear', 'plum']
- [1,2,3,4,5]

4. `myFruit = ['apple', 'pear', 'plum']`. What does `myFruit[0]` refer to?
5. What would the output of `len(myFruit)` be?
6. Write down the code would you use to add 'tomato' to the list `myFruit`.

If/Else and For Loops

7. Look at the following script:

```
myVeg = ['carrot', 'beet', 'bok choy']
if 'cabbage' in myVeg:
    print('yay I can make cole slaw!')
else:
    print('I need to go to the store')
```

What will be printed out if you run the script?

8. Look at the following script:

```
myVeg = ['carrot', 'beet', 'bok choy']
for veg in myVeg:
    print(myVeg[0])
```

What will be printed if you run the script?

9. Look at the following line:

```
myCodons = ["atg","tac","ttt","tcc"]
```

Write a short script that will tell you if the codon 'atg' is in the list `myCodons`

10. `codonTable['atg']` will return the amino acid coded by the codon 'atg'. Write a script that will print out the amino acids coded by the four codons in `myCodons`. You will likely need to use a `for` loop.

11. Open a new python file in vim and type the following code:

```
myRange = range(0,10)
print(myRange)
```

Write down what you think the `range` function does. What data type is the output?

Edit the script to print out all the numbers between 20 and 30.