Shell command line assignment – PDB files

First, mkdir STRUCTURE will create a directory called STRUCTURE, and then cd STRUCTURE will change the current directory and access STRUCTURE.

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haya@LAPTOP-8APDPGH1:~$ mkdir STRUCTURE
haya@LAPTOP-8APDPGH1:~$ cd STRUCTURE
```

Question 1:

To retrieve the pdb files from the website, we use the curl command with the identifier: 1W[0-9][A-Z], [0-9] to match any digit, and [A-Z] to match any upper-case letter. This is the curl command I used: **curl** -# -O http://files.rcsb.org/view/1W[0-9][A-Z].pdb

- -# will use the simplest progress bar while downloading the files.
- **-O** saves the output of the curl command into separate files while naming them like their respective identifiers.

After all the files were downloaded, by using **ls** we can see all the files in the directory.

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hayaQAPATOP-8APOPGH1:-/STRUCTURE$ 1s
1W9A.pdb 1W1E.pdb 1W1E.pdb 1W1E.pdb 1W1E.pdb 1W2I.pdb 1W2I.pdb 1W2I.pdb 1W2I.pdb 1W2I.pdb 1W3I.pdb 1W
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Some of these files do not exist in the Database. While downloading, the curl command will fill these files with an HTML code stating that the file is not found, with a size of 260. To find these

files we use the grep command " **grep -il "not found" *.pdb** ". 7 files with this pattern were found.

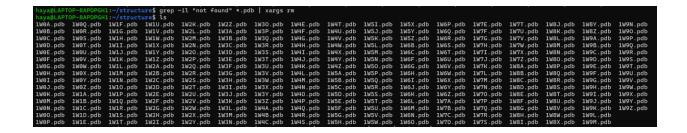
- -i makes the search case insensitive.
- -l displays only the name of the file that matches the pattern.

In this case, we are looking for the pattern "not found" in every .pdb file downloaded in this directory.

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haya@LAPTOP-8APDPGH1:~/STRUCTURE$ grep -il "not found" *.pdb
1W0L.pdb
1W4D.pdb
1W6A.pdb
1W6D.pdb
1W6E.pdb
1W7Y.pdb
```

To delete these files, the xargs with rm command is piped to the grep command: "grep -il "not found" *.pdb | xargs rm". The names of the files are fed to xargs, and then xargs feeds them to rm which in turn deletes the files.

After running this command, ls shows the remaining files proving that the chosen files were deleted.



Question 2:

In order to extract the amino acids and count their frequencies, we search in each pdb file for the lines starting with "ATOM" and containing CA using the grep command "grep -h '^ATOM.*CA' *.pdb ". -h will hide the file's name in the output which will be useful for later. We then pipe this output into another grep command to exclude the lines containing 'UNK' by using -v: "grep -v 'UNK' ". Now to get the amino acid residues, which are between the characters 18 to 20, we pipe our last output into a cut command "cut -c 18-20". -c will return the specified characters.

By using -h in the first grep and removing the file's name, the character count will be correct, and we will get the necessary output. Our next step is to get the frequencies of the residues by using the uniq command. However, uniq works by looking at consecutive identical lines and leaving one unique representative, so we need to sort them first alphabetically by using the command sort. We now pipe the output of sort to "uniq -c". -c will count the number of occurrences of each amino acid. Finally, to reverse numerical order and place the most abundant amino acid at the top we sort them again using "sort -rn": -r to sort in reverse order, and -n to sort by numeric value not alphabetical.

The final command will be:

grep -h '^ATOM.*CA' *.pdb | grep -v 'UNK' | cut -c 18-20 | sort | uniq -c | sort -rn

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haya@LAPTOP-8APDPGH1:~/structure$ grep -h '^ATOM.*CA' *.pdb | grep -v 'UNK' | cut -c 18-20 | sort | uniq -c | sort -rn 17250 LEU 16678 ALA 15930 GLY 14992 VAL 13116 GLU 11805 ASP 11623 SER 11422 LYS 11062 THR 10992 ILE 10551 ARG 9220 PRO 8723 ASN 7520 PHE 7244 GLN 6997 TYR 4108 HIS 3813 MET 2877 TRP 2720 CYS
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