

Lecture 14 - Regular Expressions (regex)

Write regular expressions to match the following prompts, or describe/give an example of a match for the regular expression:

1. Species names: *Littorina saxatilis*, *Rhagoletis pomonella*, *Homo sapiens*
2. A positive marker for Huntington's disease, with more than 35 tandem repeats of CAG. Revise to allow repeats of CAA, which also encodes glutamine.
3. Latitude and longitude measurements of the format: 41 42'14.5" N, 86 14'01.6" W
4. `[\t]+\t[\t]+\t[\t]+\t[\t]+`
5. `(GT)+(G{3}T{3})+`
6. A eukaryotic messenger RNA: an AUG start codon, 30-1000 bases of A,U,G, or C, and a 5-10 base poly-A tail
7. ATP/GTP-binding site motif A: `[AG].{4}GK[ST]`
8. Citations within the text of a paper, of the format [24], [2,73], [5-7], etc.

9. `-?[0-9]{1,2}\.[0-9]+[,\t]+-?[0-9]{1,3}\.[0-9]+`

10. You and your collaborators recorded dates of data collection differently and you must match all of the following date formats:

`07/08/2016`

`7.25.16`

`August 5, 2016`

`Sept.8 '16`

`08-2-16`

11. Utilizing `grep`, print to standard out the `accession version numbers, species, sample information, and gene` in `R.mendax.1.fasta`. (Note, you are grabbing one continuous string.)

12. One additional metacharacter is `|`, which represents `or` (separates alternative match possibilities). Utilizing `grep`, print to standard out the open reading frames in `R.mendax.1.fasta`. (Start codon: `ATG`, Stop codons: `TAA,TAG,TGA`)