

RGGS Comparative Genomics 2 – Computational Methods (Session 3)

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Session 3 outline

- **Questions on any topics or tutorials from session 2?**
- **Command line computing basics 2**
- **Introduction to GitHub**
- **Additional matters**

List of basic Unix commands – updated

Archiving and Compression	Networking and Remote Operations
tar - Archive files into a tarball (or extract them)	curl - Download and transfer data from remote servers
zip/unzip - Compress and extract files in zip format	exit - Close current shell, terminal prompt, interactive program
File and Directory Operations	scp - Secure copy, used for transferring files between hosts
cat - Concatenate and display file contents	sftp - Securely transfer files between computers over a network
cd - Change directory	ssh - Secure shell, used for logging into a remote machine
cp - Copy files or directories	wget - Download and transfer data from remote servers
head - Display the first few lines of a file	Operators
less - Read file one screen at a time	* - Mangle multiple files and directories
ls - List files and directories	& - Run a command in the background
mkdir - Make directory	> - Redirect the output of a command to a file
mv - Move or rename files or directories	 - Connect the output of one command to the input of another
pwd - Print working directory	Process Management
rm - Remove files or directories	kill - Terminate processes by ID
rmdir - Remove directory	ps - Display information about running processes
sort - Sort the lines of a file	top - Interactively manage processes
tail - Display the last few lines of a file	Terminal Utilities
touch - Create an empty file or update a file's timestamp	clear - Clear the terminal screen
tr - Translate or delete characters	help - Show information about built-in shell commands
File and Directory Search	man - Display manual for a command
find - Search for files and directories within a hierarchy	screen - Managing terminal sessions
grep - Search for patterns within text	Text Processing
File Permissions and Ownership	awk - Pattern scanning and processing language
chmod - Change file permissions	cut - Extract specific sections of text
chown - Change file owner and group	echo - Display a line of text or variables
File Space and Disk Usage	nano - Text editor
df - Display disk space usage	sed - Stream editor for filtering and transforming text
du - Estimate file space usage	vi - Text editor

Operators are used to manage data and control how commands interact with files and each other in a shell environment

Command line computing basics 2

- A tutorial on shell pipelines and loops will give you a strong foundation for processing data, automating tasks, and manipulating text files efficiently in Unix-based systems
- Instructions to download the command line computing basics 2 tutorial to the home directory:
 1. Open the terminal
 2. Type ``cd ~``
 3. Enter the following command ``wget https://raw.githubusercontent.com/josebarbamontoya/rggs_comparative_genomics_2/main/session_03/command_line_computing_basics_2_tutorial.sh``, if ``wget`` is not available, use ``curl -O`` instead

Command line computing basics 2

- **Shell pipelines**

- A pipeline in a Unix shell is used to connect the output of one command to the input of another. It allows you to chain commands together, making it a powerful feature for handling complex tasks
- Allow you to chain commands together to process outputs efficiently
- `|` is the pipe operator, which passes the output of command1 as input to command2, and so on.
- Basic syntax:

```
command1 | command2 | command3
```

Command line computing basics 2

- **Loops in shell**

- Shell loops allow you to iterate over lists or run commands repeatedly. There are two common types of loops:

For loops

```
# for loop: iterate over a list of values
for var in item1 item2 item3
do
    command $var
done

# example1: print each filename in the current directory
for file in *
do
    echo $file
done

# example2: perform an action on multiple files
for file in *.txt
do
    mv "$file" "${file%.txt}.bak"
done
```

While loops

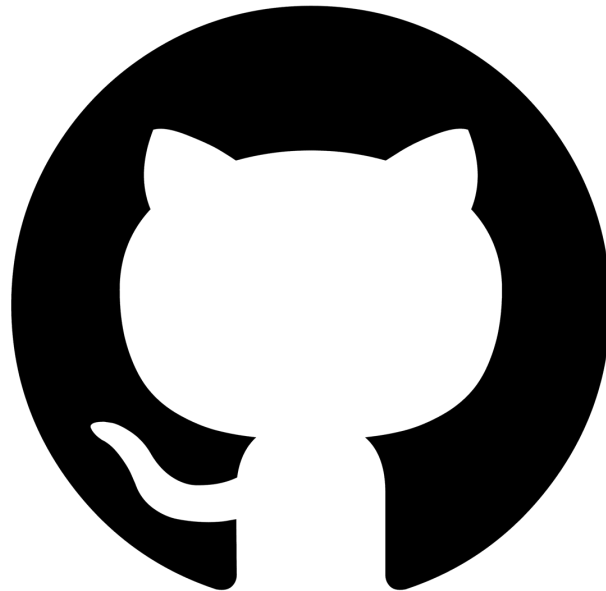
```
# while loop: execute as long as a condition is true
while [ condition ]
do
    command
done

# example1: count down from 5 #####
count=5
while [ $count -gt 0 ]
do
    echo $count
    count=$((count - 1))
done

# example2: prepend line numbers to each line in a text file
count=1
while IFS= read -r line
do
    echo "$count: $line" >> m2778_subsampled_gb_lines_numbered.txt
    count=$((count + 1))
done < m2778_subsampled_gb.fas
```

Introduction to GitHub

- **GitHub is a platform for version control and collaboration, primarily used by developers and scientists to manage code and data**
- **It is built on Git, a distributed version control system that tracks file changes, enabling simultaneous collaboration without overwriting work**



Introduction to GitHub

- **Key Concepts:**

- Repository: A project space where your files and the entire project history are stored
- Commit: A snapshot of your project at a particular time, along with a message describing the changes
- Branch: A parallel version of your repository, used to work on new features without affecting the main project
- Pull request: A request to merge changes from one branch into another, often reviewed before approval
- Clone: A local copy of a repository
- Fork: A personal copy of someone else's repository, which you can modify independently

Introduction to GitHub

- **How GitHub works:**

- Create a repository: Start a new project or upload an existing one
- Clone/download the repository: Work on the project locally using Git commands
- Commit changes: After making changes, commit them to track progress
- Push to GitHub: Send your committed changes to the GitHub repo
- Collaborate: Use branches, pull requests, and issue tracking to collaborate with others

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- **Basic git commands:**

- ``git init``: Initialize a Git repository
- ``git clone <repo>``: Clone a repository to your local machine
- ``git add <file>``: Stage a file for a commit
- ``git commit -m "message"``: Commit changes with a message
- ``git push``: Push local changes to the GitHub repository
- ``git pull``: Fetch and merge changes from the remote repository to your local one

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- **Create your own GitHub account:**
 - Visit <https://github.com>
 - Follow instructions from <https://docs.github.com/en/get-started/onboarding/getting-started-with-your-github-account#>
- **Create a repository for the CG2 course:**
 - Follow instructions from <https://docs.github.com/en/repositories/creating-and-managing-repositories/quickstart-for-repositories>

Additional matters

- **Session 13 — November 28**
 - Reschedule the class to either November 25 or 26