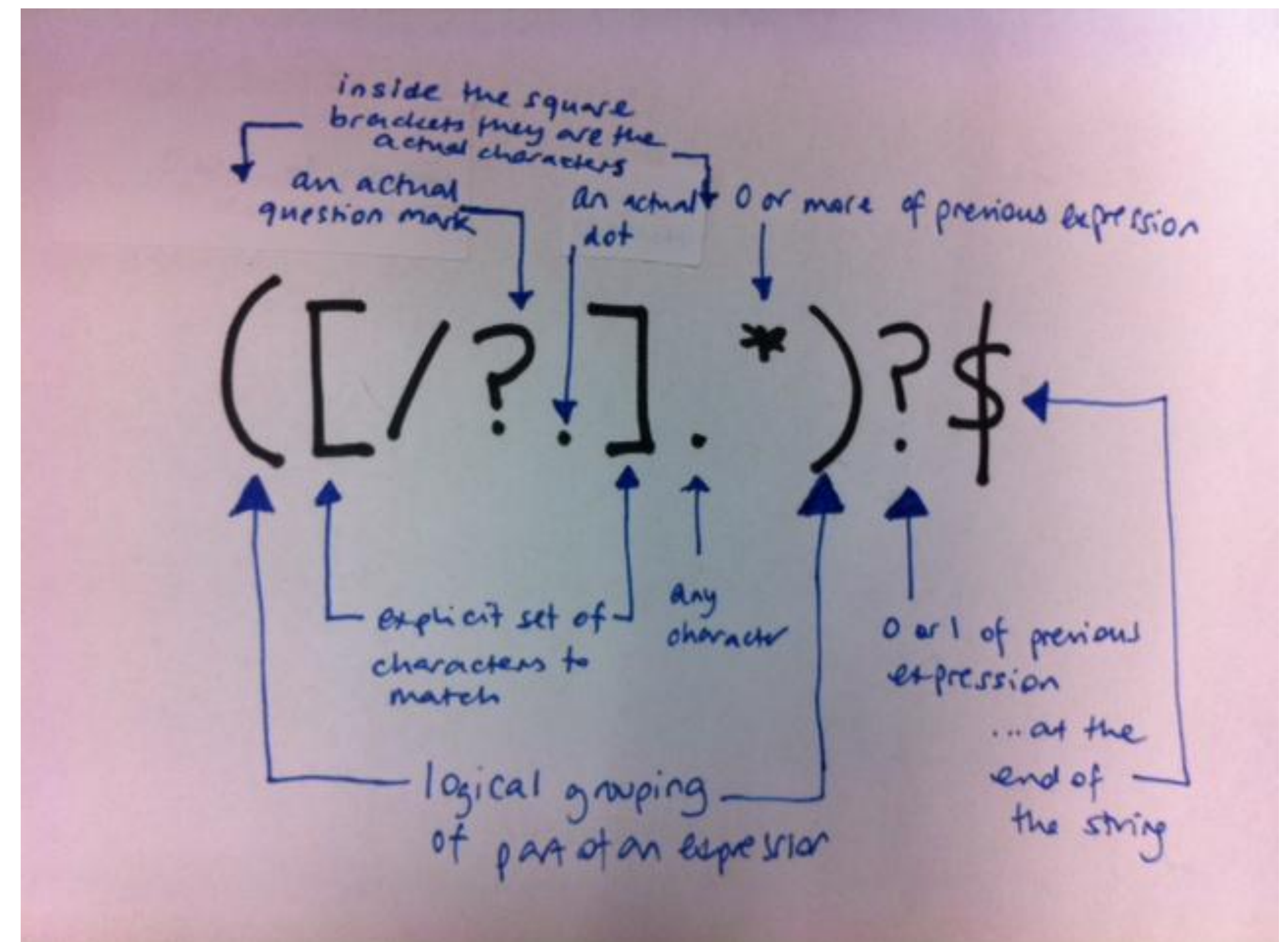
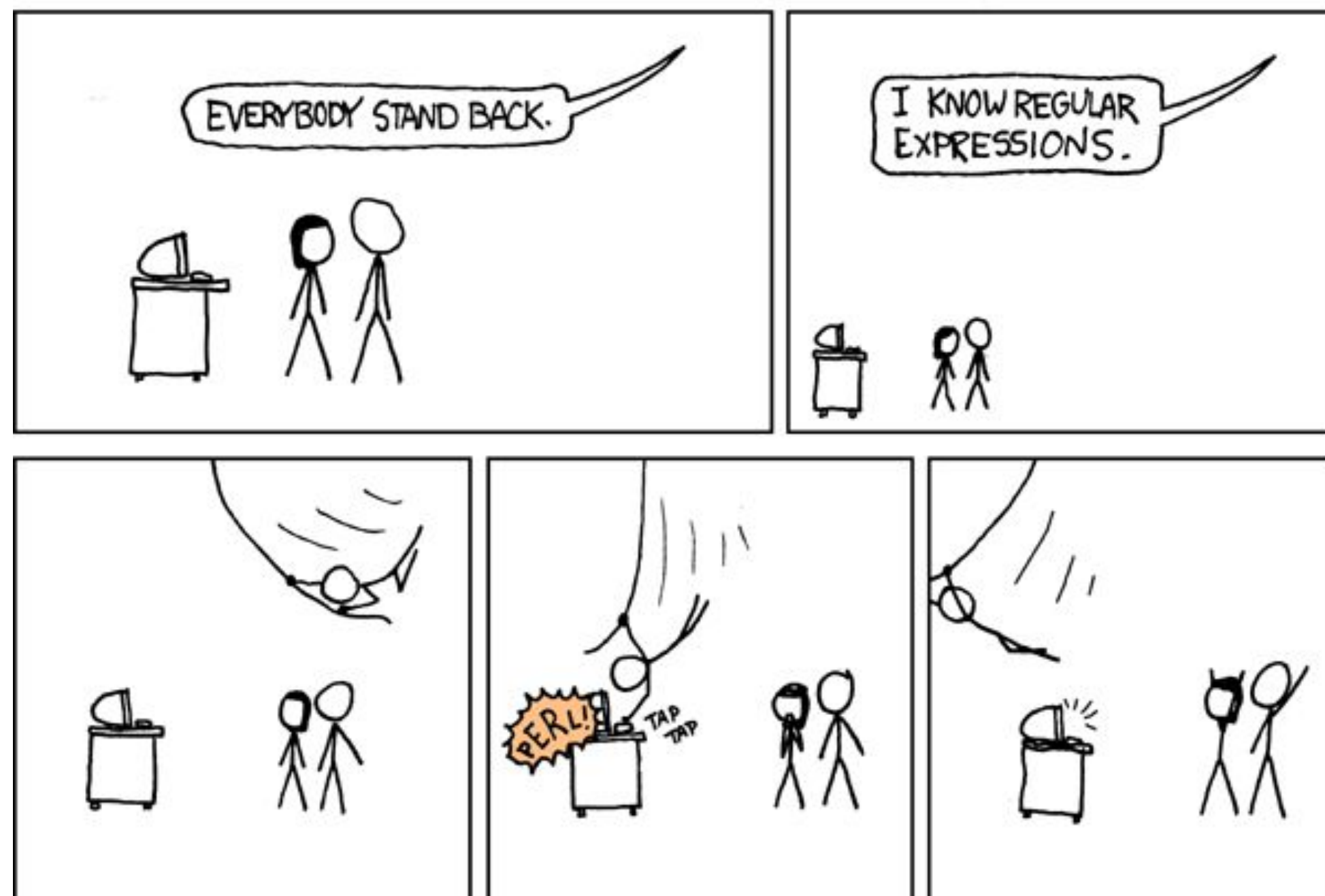


Intro & Regular Expressions

Spring 2023, Week 1
January 20, 2022



Outline

- Introductions
- Course organization
- Plain text files
- Regular expressions

Intros

- 1. Your name**
- 2. Your research focus**
- 3. What you hope to get from this class**
- 4. (Optional) Pronouns**

Course organization

What this course is:

- Intro to general computing techniques broadly applicable to many research-related tasks

What it isn't:

- A bioinformatics class

Syllabus on Bb Learn

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NAU *SYLLABUS
& SCHEDULE*

Syllabus & Schedule

Required text



- Haddock, S. H. D. and Dunn, C. W. (2010). Practical Computing for Biologists. Sinauer Associates
- <http://practicalcomputing.org/>
- Reading must be complete **PRIOR** to class

Class organization

New Content (First 11 weeks)

- Lectures
- Demos
- In class work time
(homework assignments)

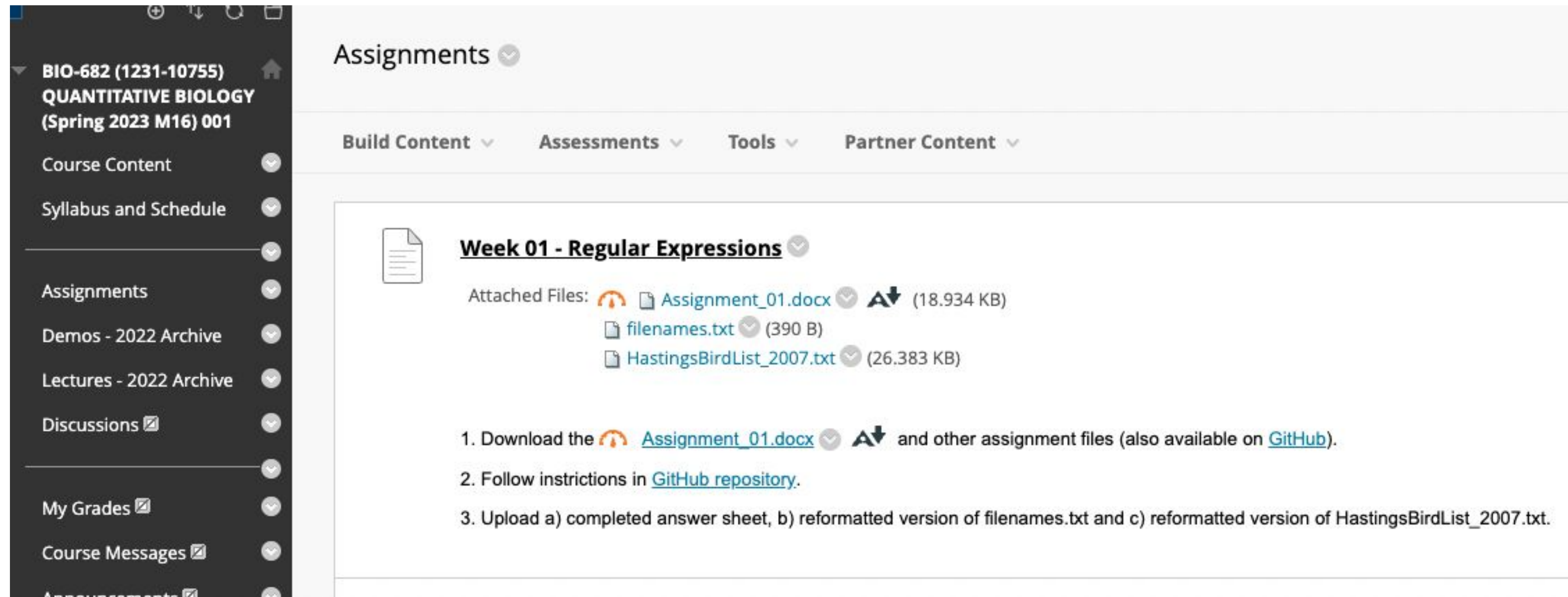
Individual projects (Last 4 weeks)

- Individual coding projects
- Topic of your choice
- 2 work weeks
- 2 weeks for presentations

Assignments

- One assignment per week (weeks 1-11)
- Focus on hands-on time in class (may need to complete outside of class)
- Always due by 11:59 pm on Thursday
- Partial credit for revisions

Assignments submitted via Bb Learn






The screenshot displays the Blackboard (Bb) Learn interface. On the left is a dark sidebar with navigation links: BIO-682 (1231-10755) QUANTITATIVE BIOLOGY (Spring 2023 M16) 001, Course Content, Syllabus and Schedule, Assignments, Demos - 2022 Archive, Lectures - 2022 Archive, Discussions, My Grades, Course Messages, and Announcements. The main content area is titled 'Assignments' and includes a sub-header with 'Build Content', 'Assessments', 'Tools', and 'Partner Content'. The primary assignment is 'Week 01 - Regular Expressions'. It lists three attached files: 'Assignment_01.docx' (18.934 KB), 'filenames.txt' (390 B), and 'HastingsBirdList_2007.txt' (26.383 KB). Below the files, there are three numbered instructions: 1. Download the 'Assignment_01.docx' and other assignment files (also available on GitHub). 2. Follow instructions in GitHub repository. 3. Upload a) completed answer sheet, b) reformatted version of filenames.txt and c) reformatted version of HastingsBirdList_2007.txt.


Assignments


Build Content **Assessments** **Tools** **Partner Content**

Week 01 - Regular Expressions

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Go to file

Add file

jtladner Update readme.md ...

2 days agoHistory

..

Assignment

Update Week 1 exercises.

2 days ago

Demo

Initiating files

last week

Slides

Initiating files

last week

.DS_Store

Initiating files

last week

readme.md

Update readme.md

2 days ago

readme.md

Class 1 - Jan. 20th 2023

- In this first class we will:
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 - Troubleshoot computer setup problems
 - Learn to use regular expressions to edit text files

Required Reading (Must be completed ahead of time)

Practical Computing for Biologists, Chapters 1-3

Prep for next class

“Pulling” GitHub updates

Grading

- Assignments (30%)
- Attendance/Participation (30%)
- Final Project/Presentation (40%)

Final project - deadlines

Week	Date	Topic	Reading
1	1/20	Intro, Setup & Regular Expressions	PCfB: Ch. 1-3
2	1/27	The Shell - Part 1	PCfB: Ch. 4-5
3	2/3	The Shell - Part 2	PCfB: Ch. 6, 21
4	2/10	Python Programming - Part 1	PCfB: Ch. 7-8 Jupyter Tutorial
5	2/17	Python Programming - Part 2	PCfB: Ch. 9
6	2/24	Python Programming - Part 3	PCfB: Ch. 10-11
7	3/3	Python Programming - Part 4	PCfB: Ch. 12
8	3/10	Debugging, Combining Methods	PCfB: Ch. 13-14
9	3/24	Graphical concepts: vectors vs. pixels	PCfB: Ch. 17-19
10	3/31	Making Figures in Python - Part 1 (*Project proposal due)	Matplotlib overview
11	4/7	Making Figures in Python - Part 2	
12	4/14	Work/Troubleshoot Day #1	
13	4/21	Work/Troubleshoot Day #2	
14	4/28	Project Presentations - Part 1	
15	5/5	Project Presentations - Part 2	
Finals	5/8	*Final project due	

Computer setup

- Text Editor
- Command line terminal
- GitHub Repository

https://github.com/jtladner/BIO682_Spring2023/tree/main/Getting%20Started

Plain text
files

Plain text file

- Pure sequence of character codes
- No formatting (e.g., text size, color, font, spacing)
- Human and machine readable
- Standardized

Which of these formats are NOT plain text?

Excel (.xlsx)

html

OpenOffice (.odf)

Google Sheet

text (.txt)

fasta

markdown

xml

Google Doc

nexus

json

Word (.doc)

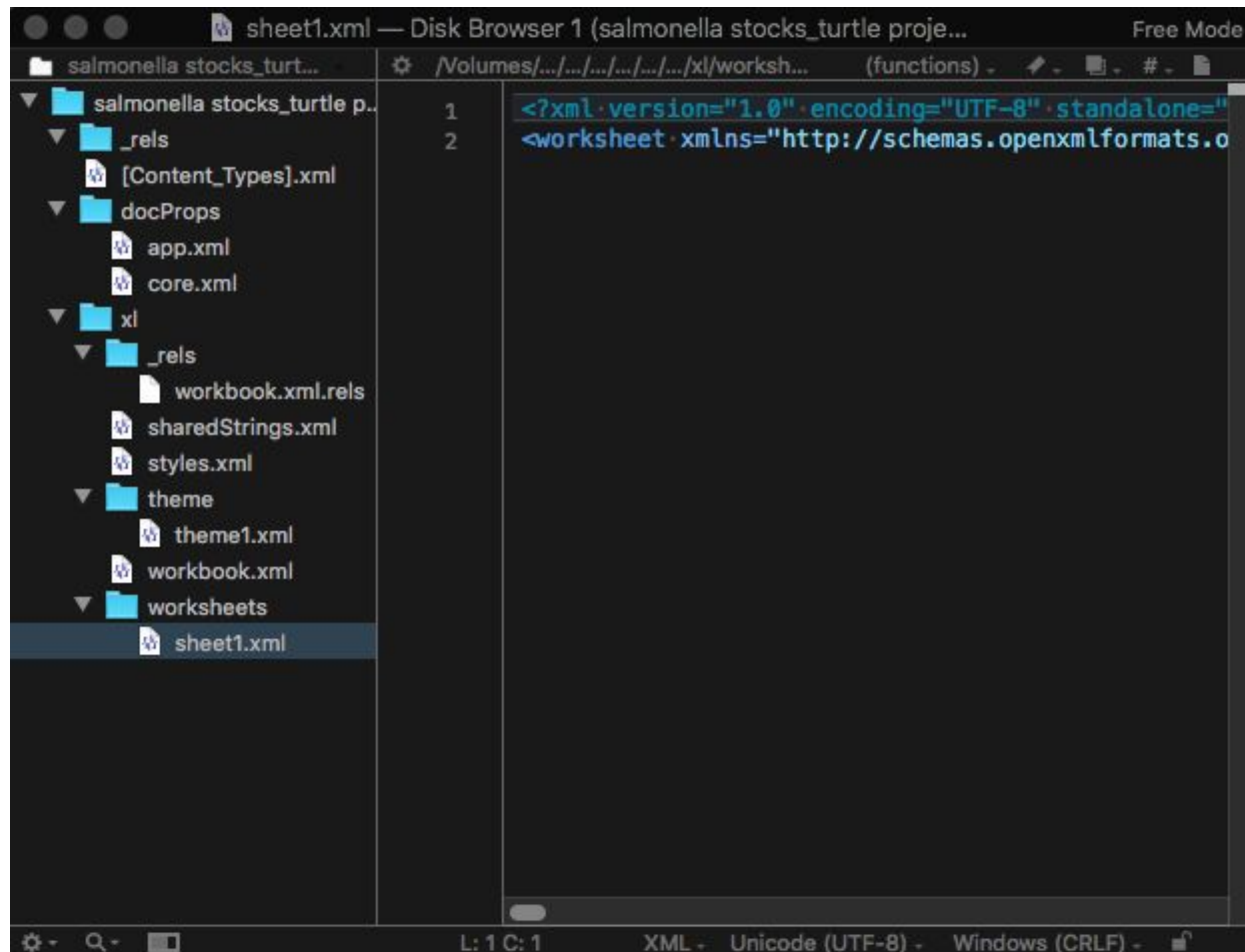
rich text (.rtf)

python script (.py)

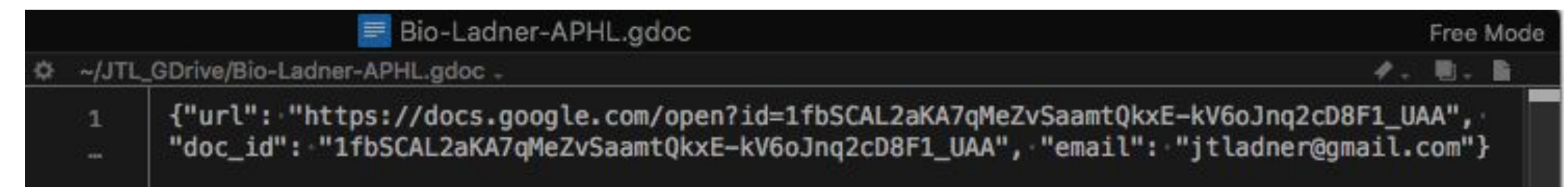
tab-separated (.tsv)

Viewing non-plain text in text editor

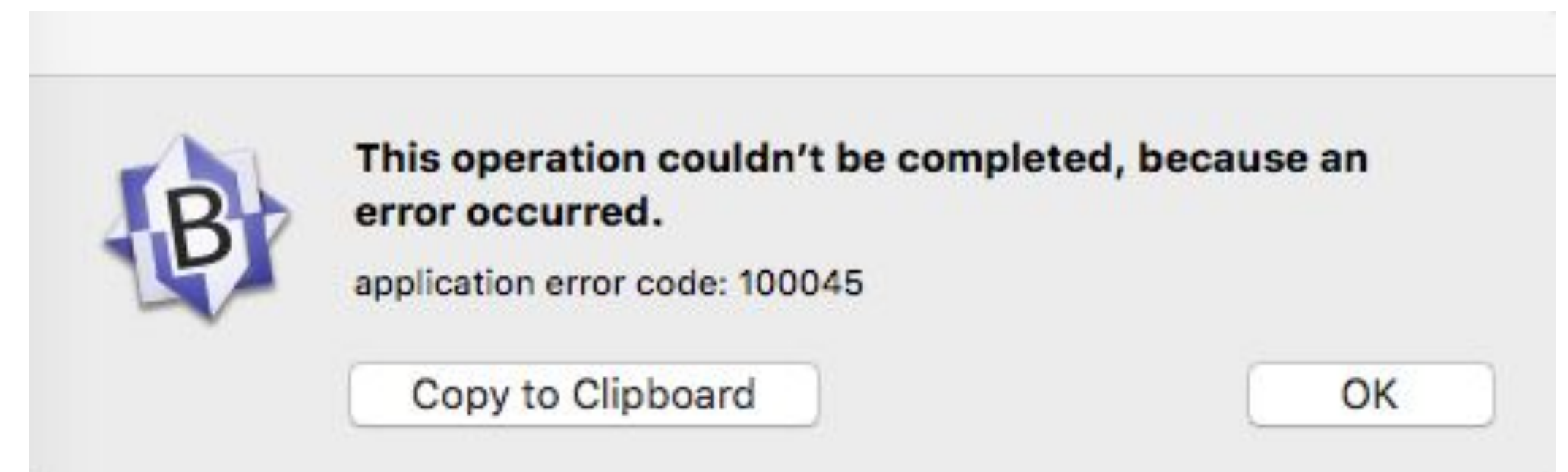
.xlsx/.docx



Google Doc



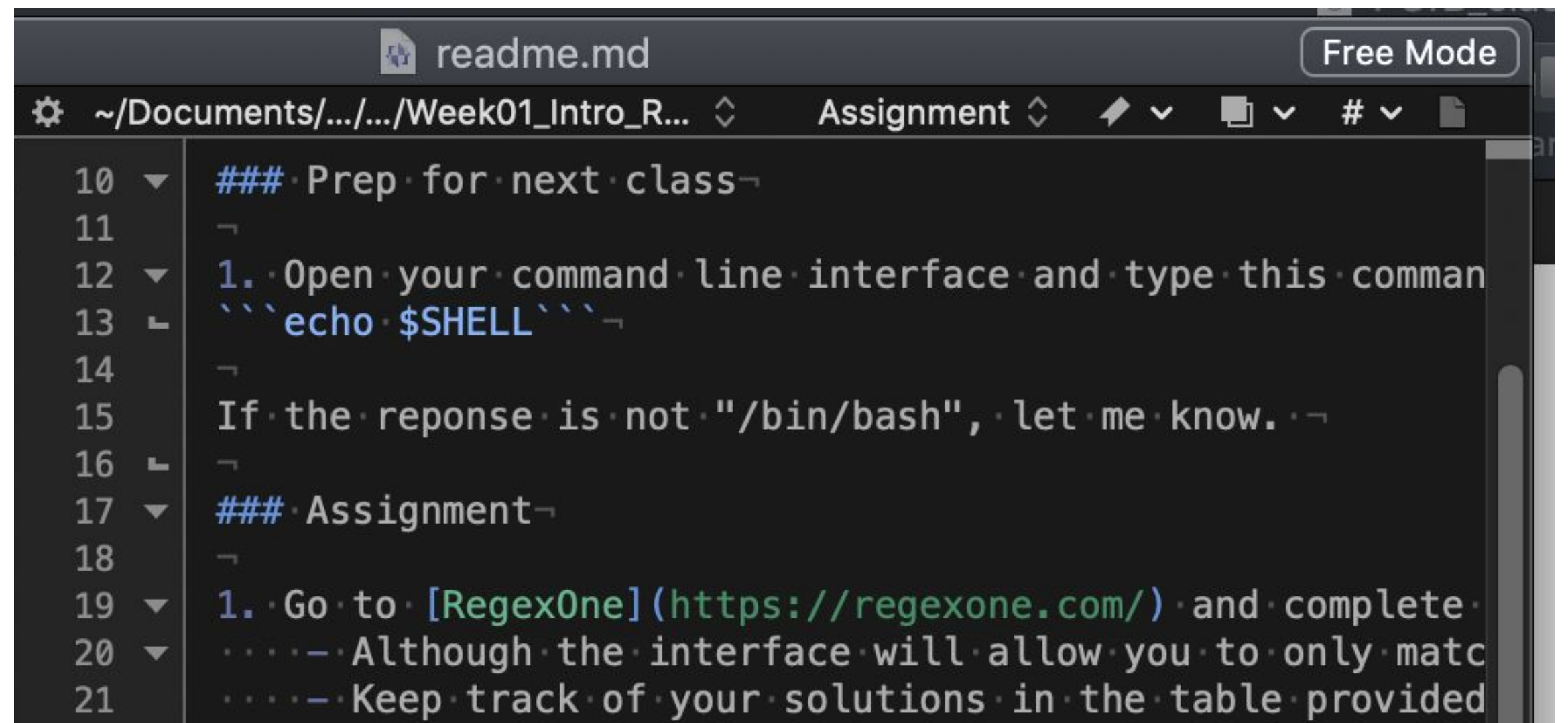
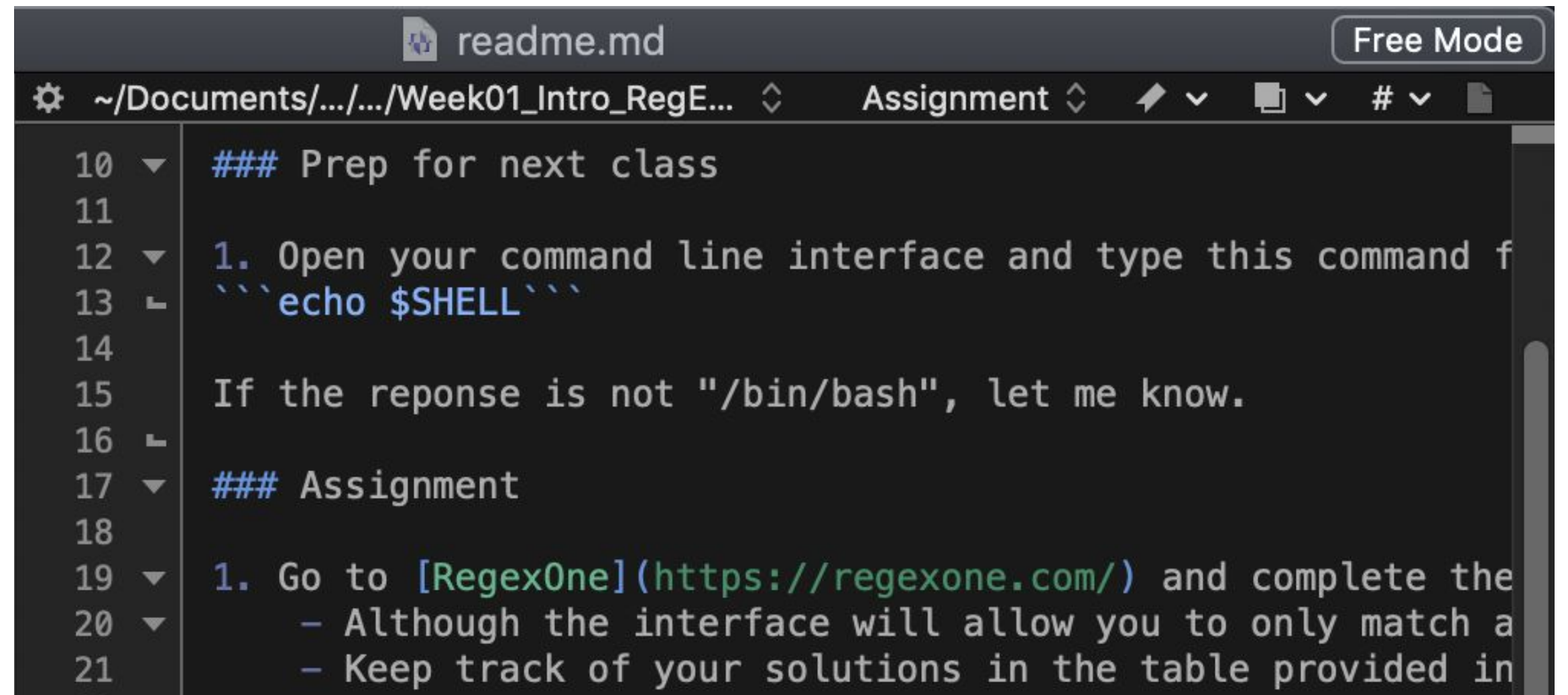
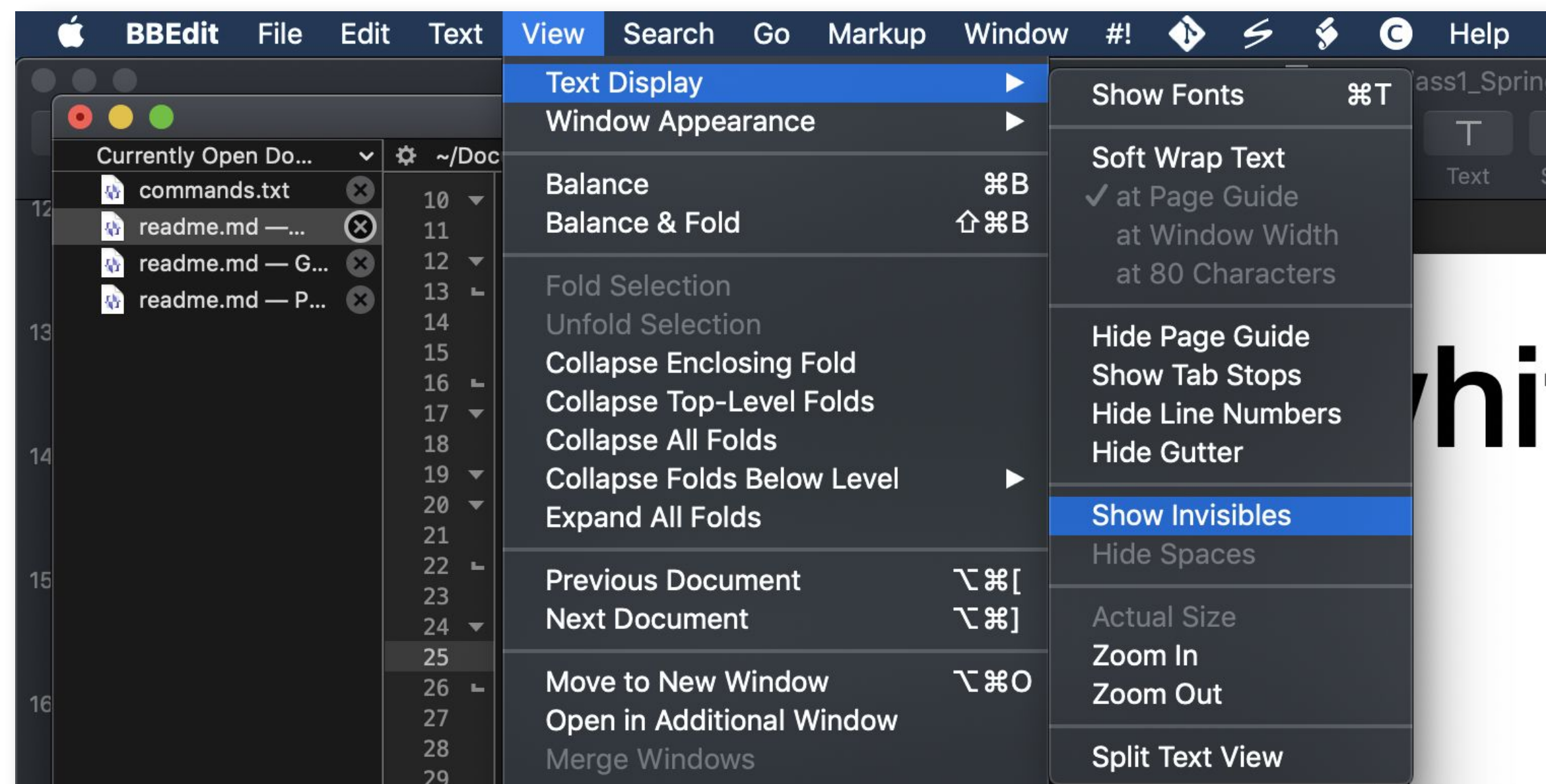
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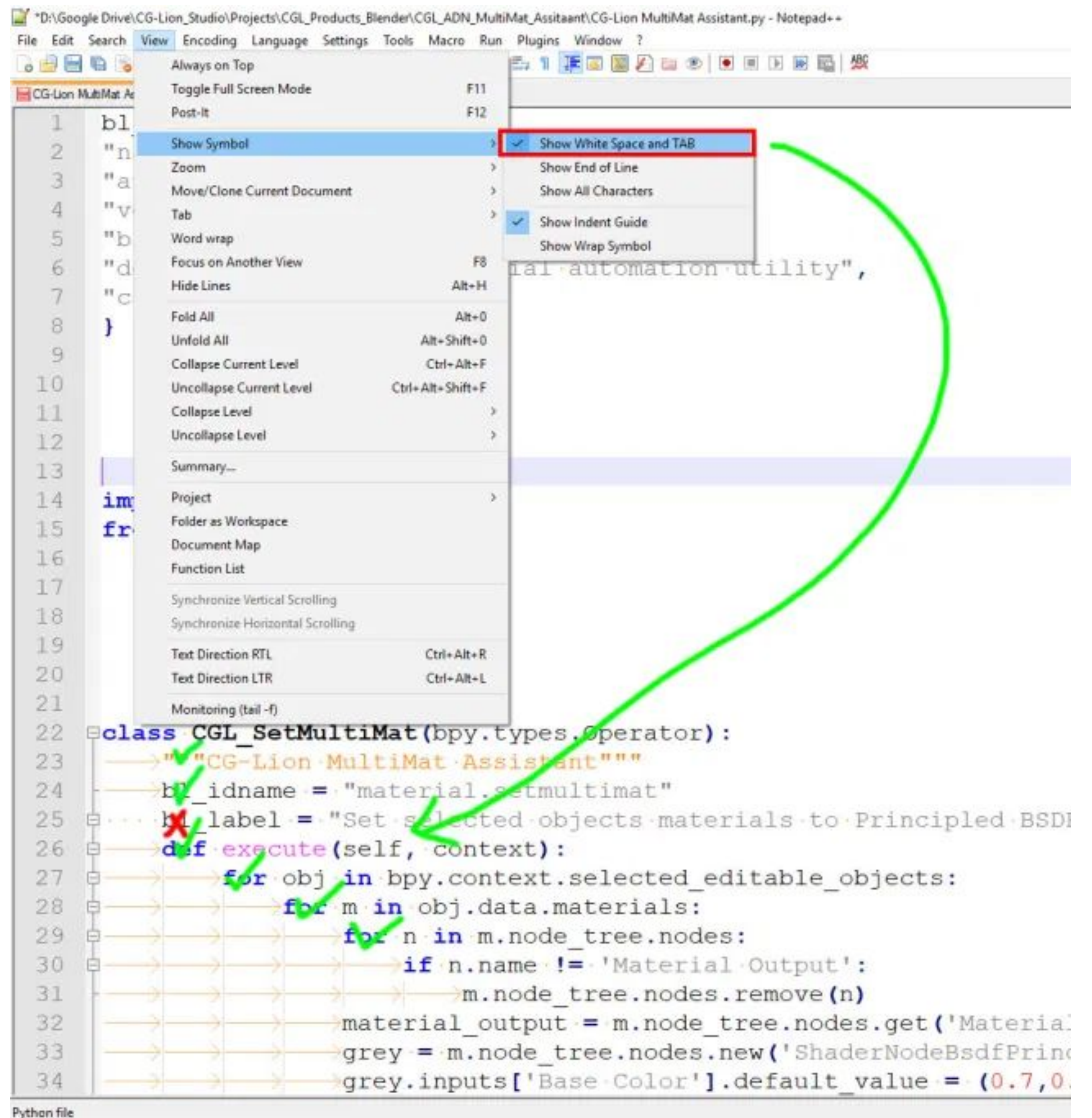
Whitespace

- Space
- Tab
- End of line

Visualizing white space (BBEdit)



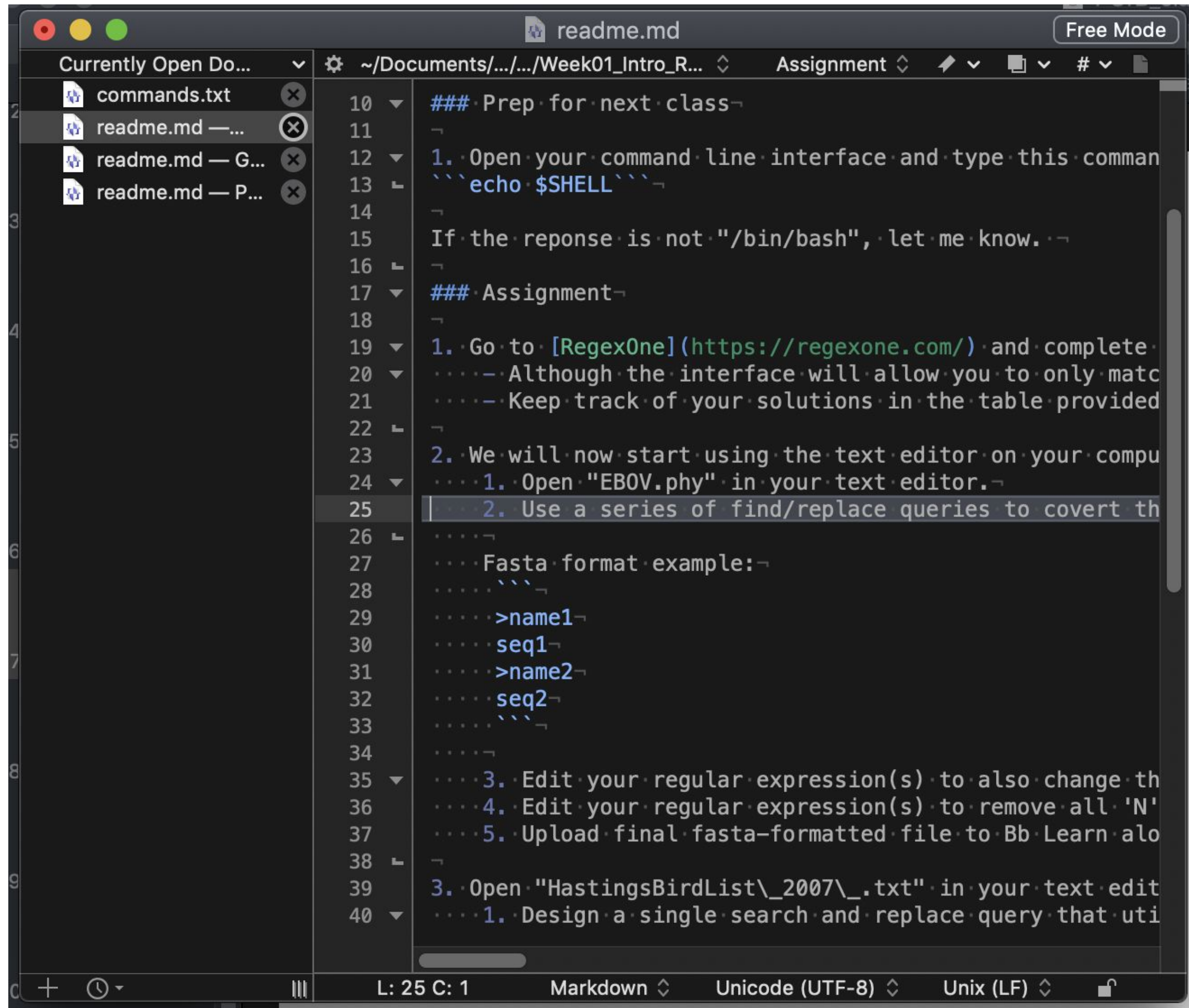
Visualizing white space (Notepad++)



The screenshot shows the Notepad++ application window. The 'View' menu is open, and the 'Show White Space and TAB' option is checked and highlighted with a red box. A green arrow points from this menu item to the code editor, where the white space in the Python script is visualized as dots and tabs. The code in the editor is as follows:

```
1 bl
2 "n
3 "a
4 "v
5 "b
6 "d
7 "c
8 }
9
10
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12
13
14 im
15 fr
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17
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21
22 class CGL_SetMultiMat(bpy.types.Operator):
23     """CG-Lion MultiMat Assistant"""
24     bl_idname = "material.setmultimat"
25     bl_label = "Set selected objects materials to Principled BSDF"
26     def execute(self, context):
27         for obj in bpy.context.selected_editable_objects:
28             for m in obj.data.materials:
29                 for n in m.node_tree.nodes:
30                     if n.name != 'Material Output':
31                         m.node_tree.nodes.remove(n)
32                     material_output = m.node_tree.nodes.get('Material')
33                     grey = m.node_tree.nodes.new('ShaderNodeBsdfPrinc
34                     grey.inputs['Base Color'].default_value = (0.7, 0.
```

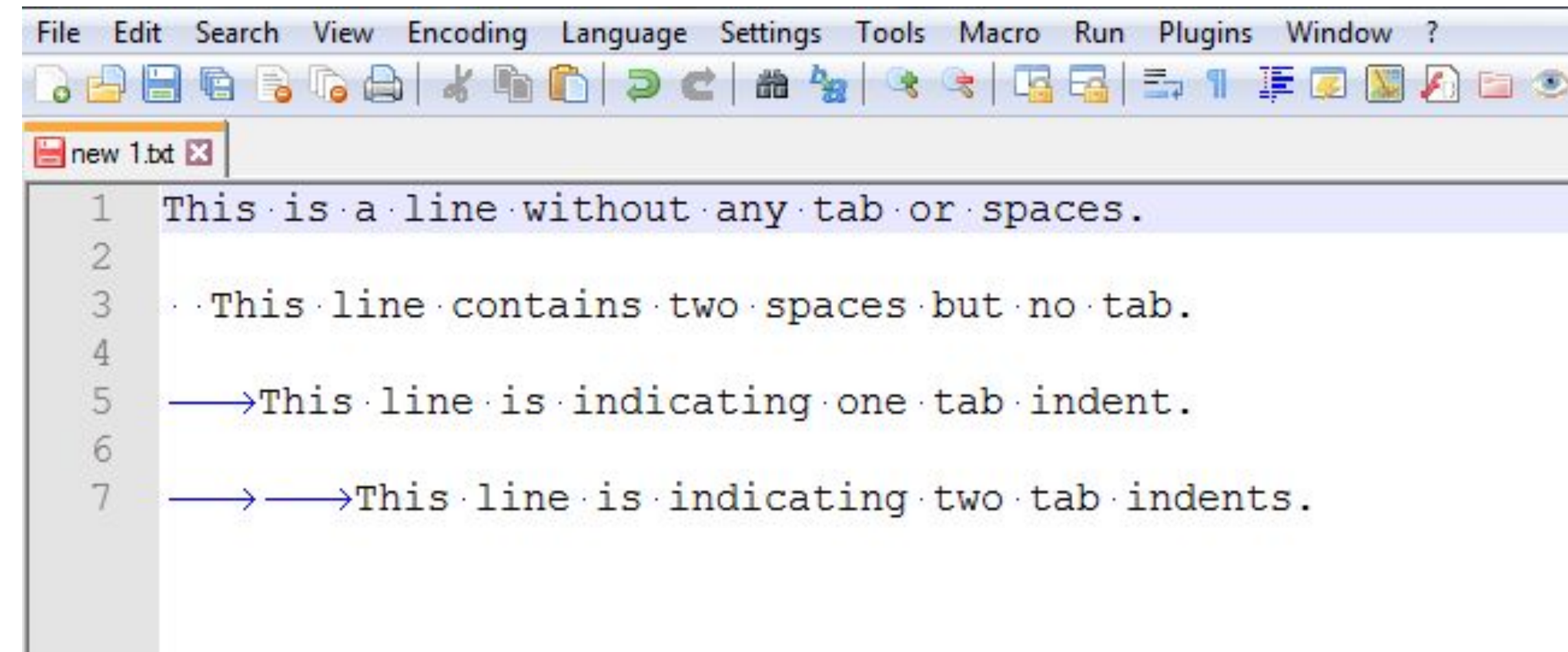

BBEdit



The screenshot shows the BBEdit application window with a file named 'readme.md' open. The file contains a mix of plain text and code snippets. The text includes instructions for a class preparation and an assignment. The code snippets include a shell command, a regular expression, and a FASTA format example. The BBEdit interface shows a sidebar with 'Currently Open Documents' and a 'Free Mode' button in the top right corner. The status bar at the bottom indicates 'Ln: 25 C: 1', 'Markdown', 'Unicode (UTF-8)', and 'Unix (LF)'.

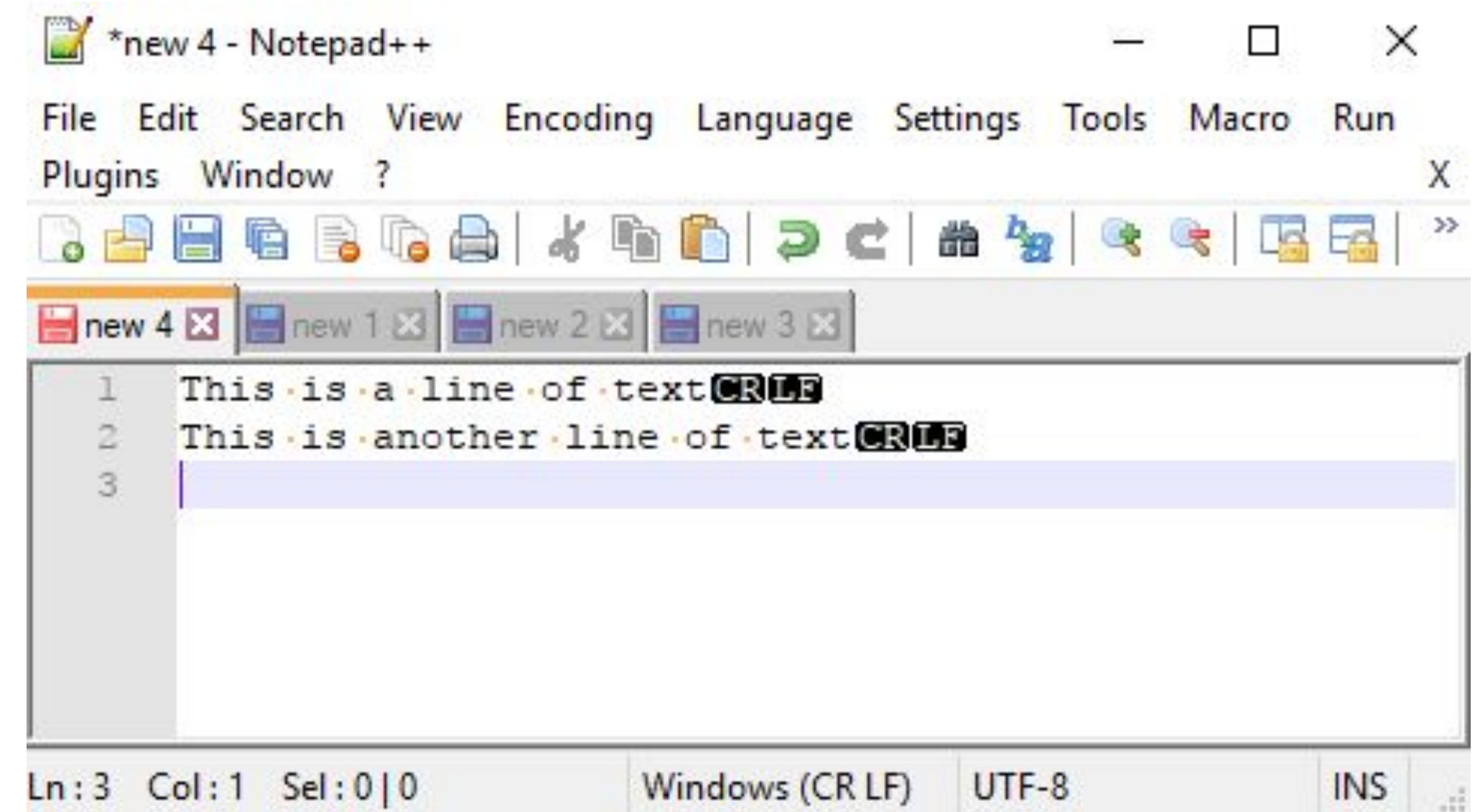
```
10 ### Prep for next class
11
12 1. Open your command line interface and type this command
13 ```echo $SHELL```
14
15 If the response is not "/bin/bash", let me know.
16
17 ### Assignment
18
19 1. Go to [RegexOne](https://regexone.com/) and complete
20 ... Although the interface will allow you to only match
21 ... Keep track of your solutions in the table provided
22
23 2. We will now start using the text editor on your computer
24 ... 1. Open "EB0V.phy" in your text editor.
25 ... 2. Use a series of find/replace queries to convert the
26 ...
27 ... Fasta format example:
28 ... ```
29 ... >name1
30 ... seq1
31 ... >name2
32 ... seq2
33 ... ```
34 ...
35 ... 3. Edit your regular expression(s) to also change the
36 ... 4. Edit your regular expression(s) to remove all 'N'
37 ... 5. Upload final fasta-formatted file to Bb Learn also
38
39 3. Open "HastingsBirdList\_2007\_ .txt" in your text editor
40 ... 1. Design a single search and replace query that utilizes
```

Notepad++



The screenshot shows the Notepad++ application window with a new file named 'new 1.txt' open. The file contains several lines of text demonstrating different indentation styles. Line 1 is a single line without any indentation. Line 2 is a single line with two spaces of indentation. Line 3 is a single line with one tab of indentation. Line 4 is a single line with two tabs of indentation. Line 5 is a single line with one tab of indentation. Line 6 is a single line with two tabs of indentation. Line 7 is a single line with two tabs of indentation. The Notepad++ interface shows a menu bar with 'File', 'Edit', 'Search', 'View', 'Encoding', 'Language', 'Settings', 'Tools', 'Macro', 'Run', 'Plugins', and 'Window'. The status bar at the bottom indicates 'Ln: 3 Col: 1 Sel: 0 | 0', 'Windows (CR LF)', 'UTF-8', and 'INS'.

```
1 This is a line without any tab or spaces.
2
3 .. This line contains two spaces but no tab.
4
5 —> This line is indicating one tab indent.
6
7 —> —> This line is indicating two tab indents.
```



The screenshot shows the Notepad++ application window with a new file named 'new 4' open. The file contains two lines of text, each followed by a carriage return (CR) and a line feed (LF) character. Line 1 is 'This is a line of text' followed by CR and LF. Line 2 is 'This is another line of text' followed by CR and LF. Line 3 is an empty line. The Notepad++ interface shows a menu bar with 'File', 'Edit', 'Search', 'View', 'Encoding', 'Language', 'Settings', 'Tools', 'Macro', and 'Run'. The status bar at the bottom indicates 'Ln: 3 Col: 1 Sel: 0 | 0', 'Windows (CR LF)', 'UTF-8', and 'INS'.

```
1 This is a line of textCR LF
2 This is another line of textCR LF
3
```


End of line characters differ by OS

- Line feed (LF) - Mac OSX, Linux
- Carriage return (CR) - Mac OS9 and earlier
- Carriage return + line feed (CRLF) - Windows

Regular expressions

Regular expressions

(a.k.a. regex, regexp)

- Powerful find and replace toolkit
- Understood by many text editors, programming languages and even search engines
- Power comes from wildcard operators

\d

\w

\s

.

$\backslash w +$

$\backslash w *$

$\backslash w ?$

[ABC]

[^ABC]

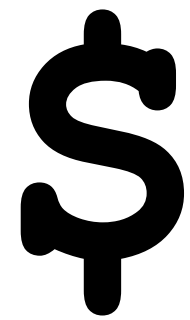
[A-C]

(ABC)

(AB) C

((AB) C)

Anchors



Tips

- Try PCfB methodology
 - copy target text into search dialog
 - replace text with wildcards, piece by piece
- Be as specific as possible
- Build in redundancies

Regex reference tables

Wildcards	
\w	Letters, numbers and _
.	Any character except \n \r
\d	Numerical digits
\t	Tab
\r	Return character. Also used as the generic end-of-line character in TextWrangler
\n	Line-feed character. Also used as the generic end-of-line character in Notepad++
\s	Space, tab, or end of line
[A-Z]	A single character of the ranges indicated in square brackets
[^A-Z]	A single character including all characters not in the brackets. Note that this will include \n unless otherwise specified, and may cause you to match across lines
\	Used to escape punctuation characters so they are searched for as themselves, not interpreted as wildcards or special symbols
\\	The \ symbol itself, escaped
Boundaries	
^	Match the start of the line, i.e., the position before the first character
\$	Match the last position before the end-of-line character

Quantifiers, used in combination with characters and wildcards	
+	Look for the longest possible match of one or more occurrences of the character, wildcard, or bracketed character range immediately preceding. The match will extend as far as it can while still allowing the entire expression to match.
*	As above, matches as many of the previous character to occur, but allows for the character not to occur at all if the match still succeeds
?	Modifies greediness of + or * to match the shortest possible match instead of longest
{}	Specify a range of numbers to repeat the match of the previous character. For example: \d{2,4} matches between 2 and 4 digits in a row [AC]{4,} matches 4 or more of the letter A or C in a row
Capturing and replacing	
()	Capture the search results between the parentheses for use in the replacement term
\1 \$1	Substitute the contents of the matched into the replacement term, in numerical order. Syntax depends on the text editor or language that you are using.

<http://practicalcomputing.org>

http://practicalcomputing.org/files/PCfB_Appendices.pdf

Questions about the
reading?



RegexOne

Learn Regular Expressions with simple, interactive exercises.

Exercise 1: Matching Characters

Task	Text	
Match	abcdefg	✓
Match	abcde	✓
Match	abc	✗

[Continue >](#)

Solve the above task to continue on to the next problem, or read the [Solution](#).

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If the reponse is not `"/bin/bash"` or `"/bin/zsh"`, let me know.

Text editor

regex demos

Start

(email)

End

(tsv)

Sample ID sample collection date Gender Age Location							
N27	22.04.2020	100010117153	F	52	Trondelag		
N28	22.04.2020	100010117157	M	51	Trondelag		
N29	22.04.2020	100010117161	M	31	Trondelag		
N30	20.04.2020	121252.43310	M	67	Trondelag		
N31	21.04.2020	121097.39802	F	22	Trondelag		
N32	14.04.2020	100010126959	F	57	Trondelag		
						Sex(F/M)	Age(years)
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N37	2020-03-09	J000920011324	M	38	Oslo	
N38	2020-03-25	J000920011341	F	50	Oslo	
N39	2020-03-25	J000920011353	F	78	Oslo	
N40	2020-03-23	J000920011348	F	58	Oslo	
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