

1) Which of the following is not a valid Python expression:

- a. `5+2*3.0`
- b. `"a"+"bcd"`
- c. `str(3)+"tree"`
- d. `3.0+"aaa"`

2) What is the result of running the following Python code:

```
a = 10
while a > 2 :
    a = a - 1
print(a)
```

- a. 5
- b. 3
- c. 2
- d. 9

3) Write a small Python code that calculates the sum of numbers 1 to n

4) Consider the list `L = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10]`. Suppose I want to create a new list, containing only the even numbers in `L`. Which of the following expressions should I use?

- a. `L[1:-1]`
- b. `L[1:]`
- c. `L[1::2]`
- d. `L[0::2]`

5) Consider the following code to write two lines of text to a file:

```
f = open("myfile.txt", "r")
f.write("line 1 - asasdfsdfsadfa")
f.write("line 2 - gksgdkfgdfkgjdfg")
```

Spot 3 errors in the above code

6) Calculate the logic value (True or False) of the following Python expression:

`((3>2) and not (6 <4)) or (10==7)`

7) Will the following code ever stop? Why?

```
i = 10
while i > 5:
    i = i + 1
```

- 8) Consider the following code to read a FASTA file from disk:

```
f = open("file.fasta", "r")
lines = f.read().splitlines()
Header = lines[1:]
Sequence = ''
for line in lines[1:]:
    Sequence = Sequence + line
```

Using the following table for molecular weights of the 20 aminoacids:

A	89.1
C	121.2
D	133.1
E	147.1
F	165.2
G	75.1
H	155.2
I	131.2
K	146.2
L	131.2
M	149.2
N	132.1
P	115.1
Q	146.2
R	174.2
S	105.1
T	119.1
V	117.1
W	204.2
Y	181.2

change the above code to calculate the molecular weight of a protein based on its sequence (consider the fact that for each peptide bond that is formed between two aminoacids, a water molecule (molecular weight 18) is eliminated, and a polypeptide sequence N residues long has N-1 peptide bonds. (**HINT**: create a dictionary with (amino, weight) pairs).

- 9) Write a Python function that will accept a string variable as argument and check that this string variable contains a valid protein sequence. (**HINT**: valid protein sequences must contain only characters corresponding to the one-letter codes of the 20 aminoacids.)
- 10) Suppose the variable "Sequence" contains a nucleic acid sequence. Write a conditional expression that checks if the sequence is DNA or RNA (or if it cannot be known for sure).

Answers to exercises:

- 1) "d" is not a valid expression, because you can't add a string and a float point number together
- 2) The result is 2 (c.), because the body of the "while" loop will only be executed if $a > 2$, so the last time it can be run is when a is 3, and then the statement " $a=a-1$ " will turn a into 2, and the body will not be executed, a and " a " will still be 2 when the " $\text{print}(a)$ " statement is executed.
- 3)

```
sum = 0
for i in range(1, n+1):
    sum = sum + i
print(sum)
```
- 4) `L[1::2]`, because I should start on the first even number on the list (2), and the print every second number.
- 5) Error 1: the "open" statement should contain a "w" argument, and not "r", because we are writing to the file, not reading it. Error 2: we should add a "\n" newline character at the end of each string argument in the "f.write" commands, otherwise there will be no line breaks and all the characters will be on a single long line. Error 3: after the "f.write" we should issue a "f.close()" command to ensure the new file contents are written to disk.
- 6) True
- 7) It won't ever stop. As was written, the while statement will execute until i is lesser or equal to 5, but since "i" started with value 10 and it is increasing by 1 for each pass of the while loop, it will keep increasing and never reach 5.
- 8)

```
mw_dict = { 'A' : 89.1,
            'C' : 121.2,
            'D' : 133.1,
            'E' : 147.1,
            'F' : 165.2,
            'G' : 75.1,
            'H' : 155.2,
            'I' : 131.2,
            'K' : 146.2,
            'L' : 131.2,
            'M' : 149.2,
            'N' : 132.1,
            'P' : 115.1,
            'Q' : 146.2,
            'R' : 174.2,
            'S' : 105.1,
```

```

'T' : 119.1,
'V' : 117.1,
'W' : 204.2,
'Y' : 181.2 }

```

```

f = open("plmn_human.fasta", "r")
lines = f.read().splitlines()
Header = lines[1:]
Sequence = ''
for line in lines[1:]:
    Sequence = Sequence + line

# sum the molecular weight of each amino
MW = 0
for amino in Sequence:
    MW = MW + mw_dict[amino]

seqlen = len(Sequence)
# Remove the water molecule weight
# from each peptide bond formed
MW = MW - 18*(seqlen-1)

print("Molecular Weight: ", MW)

```

9)

```

def isValidProtSeq(sequence):
    valid_aminos = 'ACDEFGHIKLMNPQRSTVWY'
    for amino in sequence:
        if amino not in valid_aminos:
            return False
    return True

```

10)

```

Sequence = 'ATGCCCCCATTTGGGGCCAAAGGGCAGAAGCCATGACATTTAGGA'

if 'U' in Sequence:
    if 'T' in Sequence:
        print("Sequence contains both DNA and RNA bases?")
    else:
        print("It's an RNA sequence.")
elif 'T' in Sequence:
    print("It's a DNA sequence.")
else:
    print("Could be a DNA or RNA sequence.")

```