

BINF2111 - Introduction to Bioinformatics Computing

UNIX 101 part deux (Grep and regular exp)



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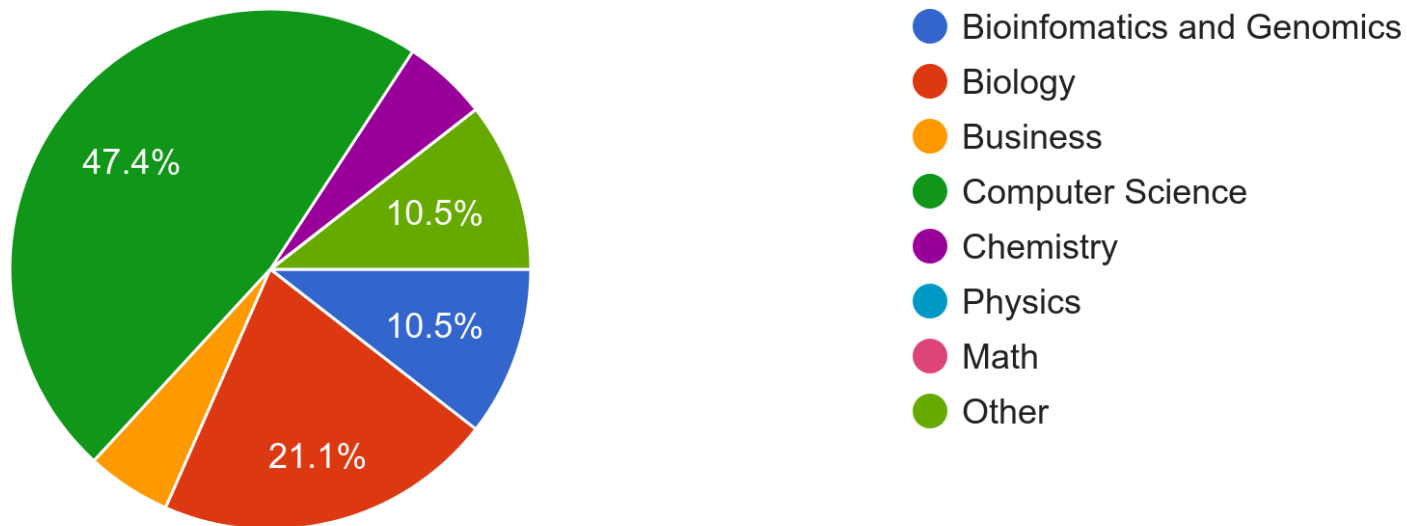
Learning Objectives

- Review quiz and lab
- Grep
- Regular expressions in grep
- Count nucleotide strings in grep
- Quiz 3

What is your major department ?

Which department?

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Bonus 1

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What if I do this? What happens?

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File is on the github

<https://github.com/raw-lab/BINF2111/blob/main/data/example.fasta>

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Even better?

```
grep -c ">" example.fasta (BEST)
```

Quick exercise 1

- Write a single line UNIX to count the number of “>” in file

grep -c “>” example.fasta (**BEST**)

Whats the answer?

Count the number of “T’s” in the file?

Grep vs. Python

- Linux terminal (bash) commands:

```
grep '>' one.fasta | wc  
-l  
Or:  
grep -c '>' one.fasta
```

- Python Script:

```
#!/usr/bin/env python  
  
import sys  
  
count = 0  
with open(sys.argv[1]) as reader:  
    for line in reader:  
        if line.startswith('>'):  
            count += 1  
print(count)
```

- Python – One Line

```
#!/usr/bin/env python  
import sys  
print( len( [ x for x in open(sys.argv[1]) if x.startswith('>') ] )  
)
```

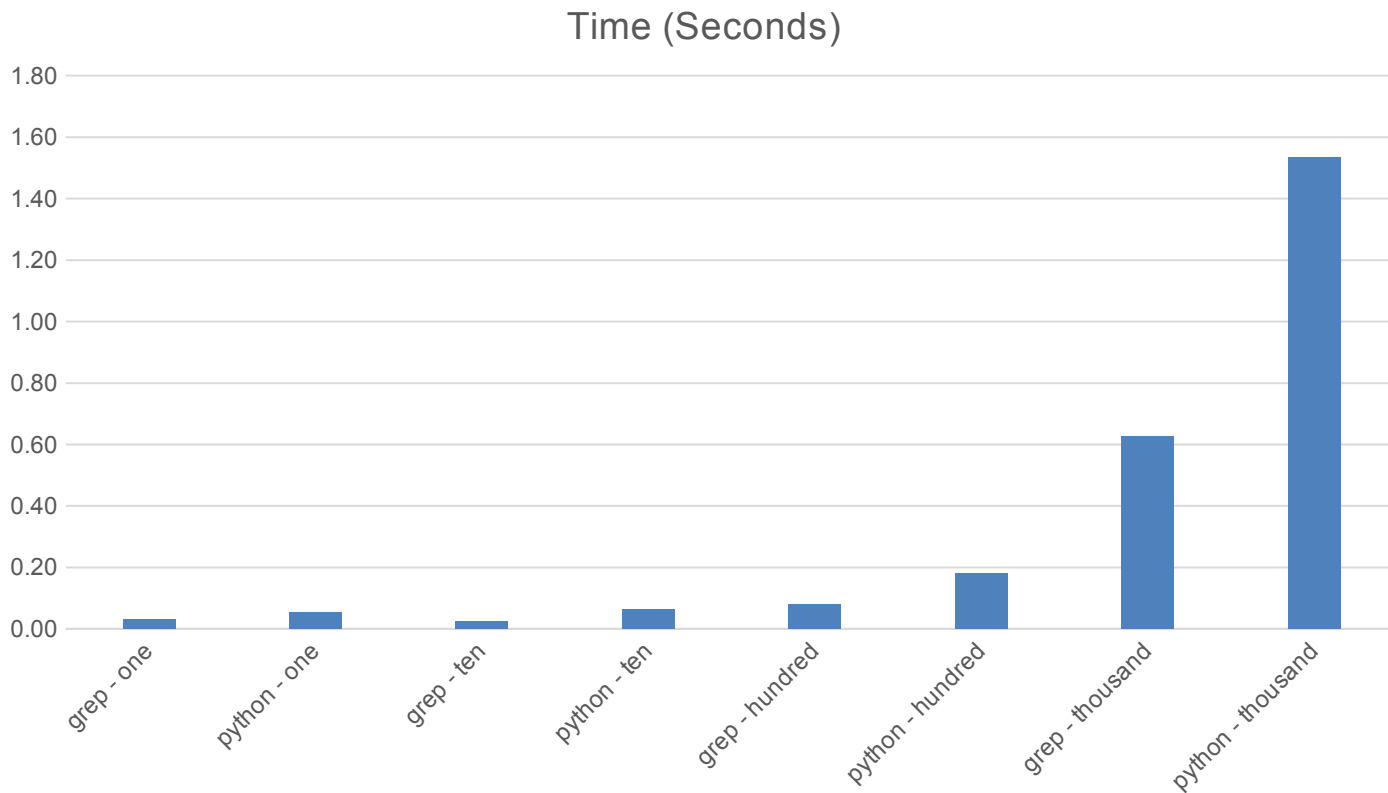
- Test script to time everything:

```
#!/usr/bin/env bash  
  
time grep -c '>' one.fasta  
time grep -c '>' ten.fasta  
time grep -c '>' hundred.fasta  
time grep -c '>' thousand.fasta  
  
time ./count.py one.fasta  
time ./count.py ten.fasta  
time ./count.py hundred.fasta  
time ./count.py thousand.fasta
```

Grep vs. Python

Filename	Count
one.fasta	1041
ten.fasta	10604
hundred.fasta	131349
thousand.fasta	1857307

Test Name	Time (s)
grep - one	0.0301667
grep - ten	0.0243333
grep - hundred	0.0813333
grep - thousand	0.6248333
python - one	0.0525000
python - ten	0.0626667
python - hundred	0.1816667
python - thousand	1.5358333



grep – master command of UNIX

Today, I will show you
how to use grep - *'the hands of
the UNIX gods'*

Chris Grassa Ph.D.
2010

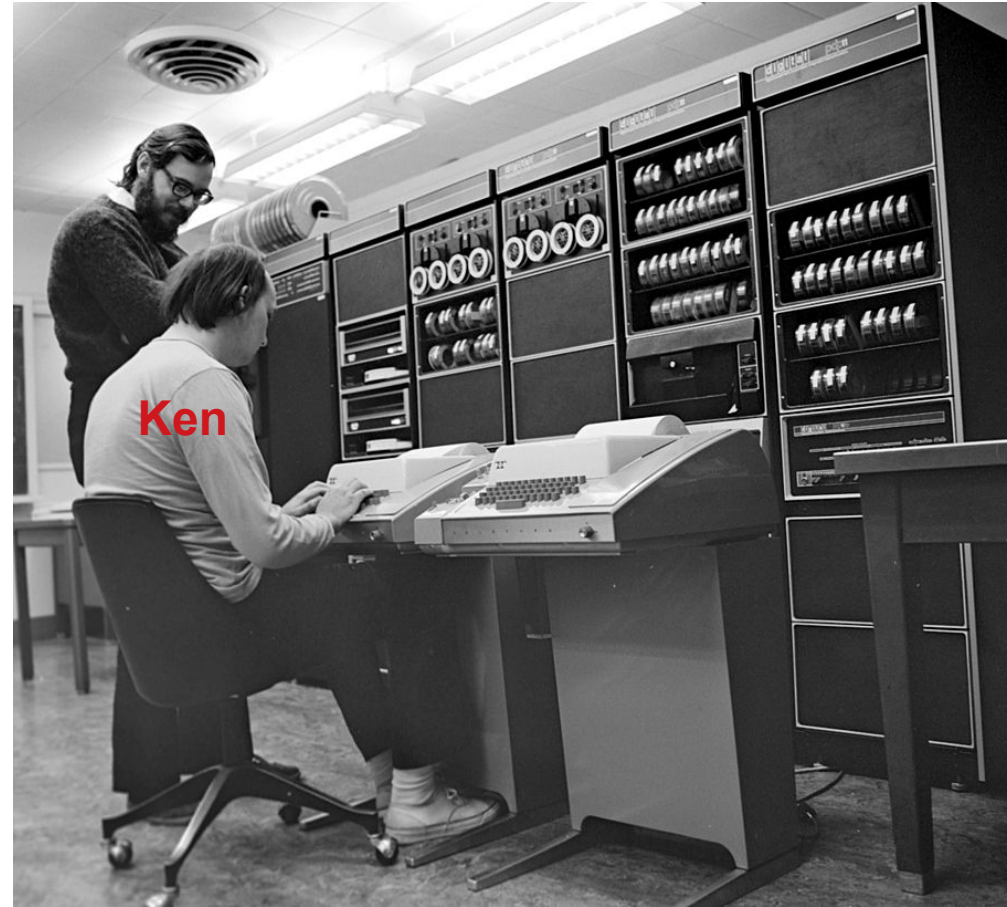
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Ken Thompson
AT&T Bell Laboratories
Initial release - November 1973 (47 years ago)



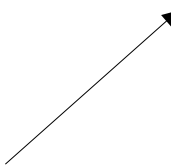
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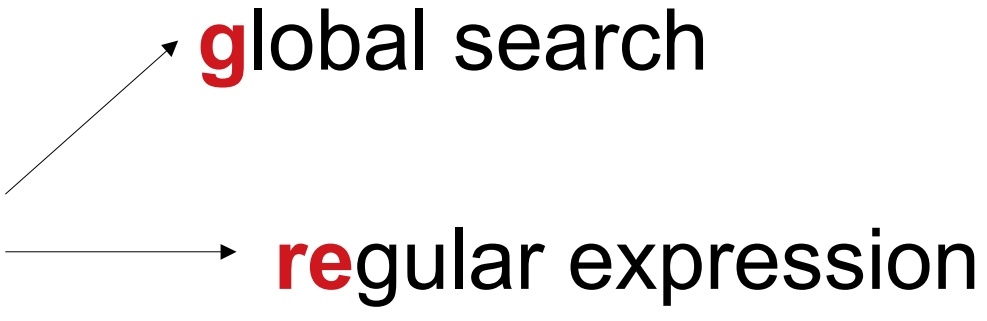
global search

grep = g/re/p



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The diagram illustrates the components of the `grep` command. The command is written as `grep = g/re/p`. From the `g` in `g/re/p`, an arrow points to the text `global search`, where the `g` is highlighted in red. From the `re` in `g/re/p`, an arrow points to the text `regular expression`, where the `re` is highlighted in red.

global search

regular expression

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- g** global search
- re** regular expression
- p** print

grep – master command of UNIX

grep = g/re/p

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- g**lobal search
- re**gular expression
- p**rint

grep – master command of UNIX

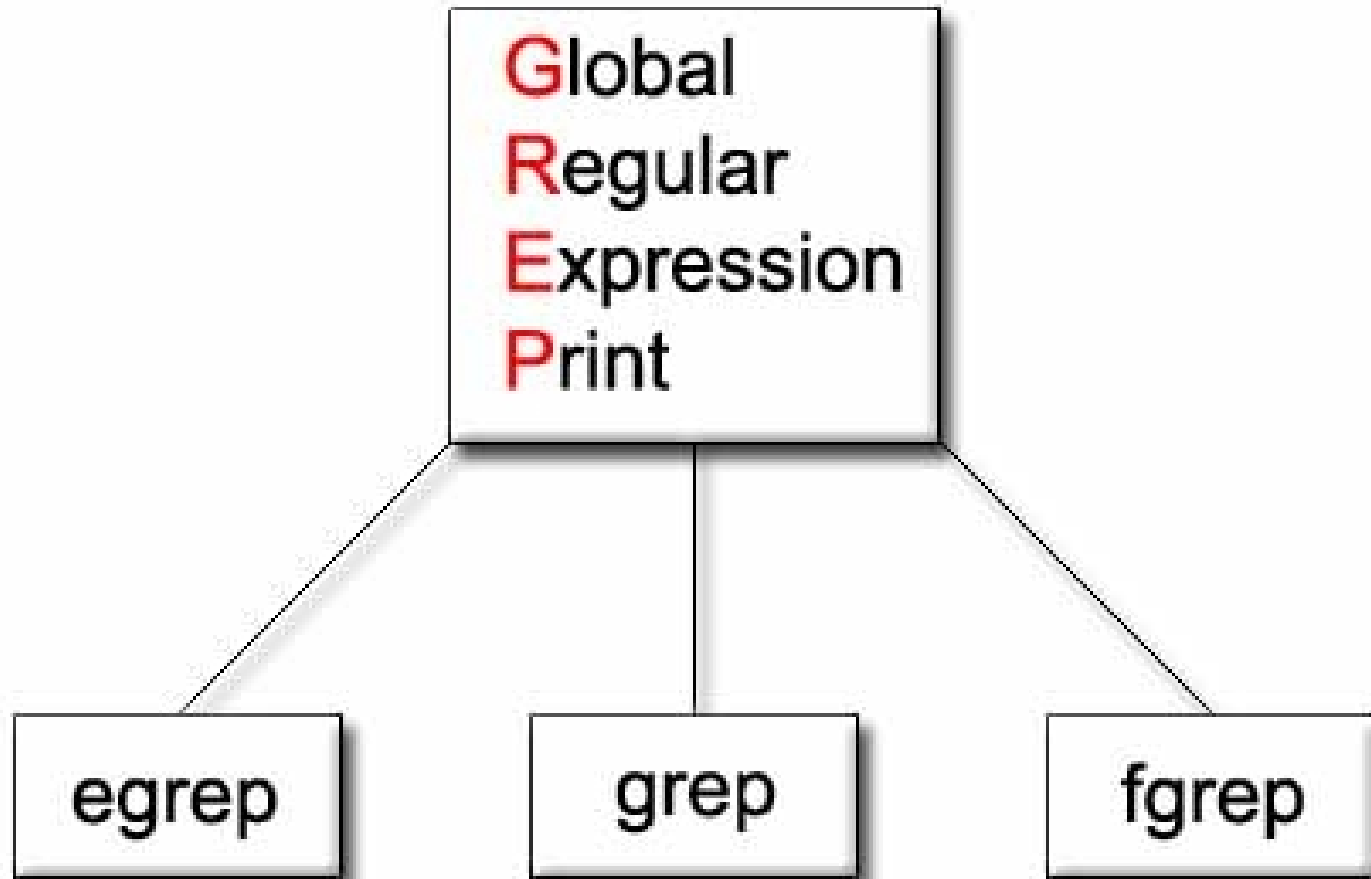
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grep = **g**lobal search for **re**gular expression and
print the result

grep – master command of UNIX



grep – command options

grep command options

- c Print only a count of the lines that contain the pattern.
- i Ignore upper/lower case distinction during comparisons.
- l Print only the names of file.txt with matching lines, separated by NEWLINE characters.
Does not repeat the names of file.txt when the pattern is found more than once.
- n Precede each line by its line number in the file (first line is 1).
- v Print all lines except those that contain the pattern.
- r It recursively search the pattern in all the file.txt in the current directory and all it's subdirectory.
- w It searches the exact word
- color colors the matched text for easy visualization
- F interprets the pattern as a literal string
- H, -h print, don't print the matched filename
- o only print the matching pattern
- x forces patterns to match the whole line
- E or -e provides extended functions to egrep (multiple exact matches)

grep – syntax to hands of UNIX

grep [option] pattern file

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Understanding Regular Expressions:

^ (Caret) match expression at the start of a line, as in **^A**.

\$ (Question) match expression at the end of a line, as in **A\$**.

**** (Back Slash) turn off the special meaning of the next character, as in **\^**. To look for a Caret “**^**” at the start of a line, the expression is **^\^**.

[] (Brackets) match any one of the enclosed characters, as in **[aeiou]**. Use Hyphen “**-**” for a range, as in **[0-9]**.

[^] match any one character except those enclosed in **[]**, as in **[^0-9]**.

. (Period) match a single character of any value, except end of line. So **b.b** will match “bob”, “bib”, “b-b”, etc.

***** (Asterisk) match zero or more of the preceding character or expression. An asterisk matches zero or more of what precedes it. Thus **[A-Z]*** matches any number of upper-case letters, including none, while **[A-Z][A-Z]*** matches one or more upper-case letters.

grep – syntax to hands of UNIX

grep [option] pattern file

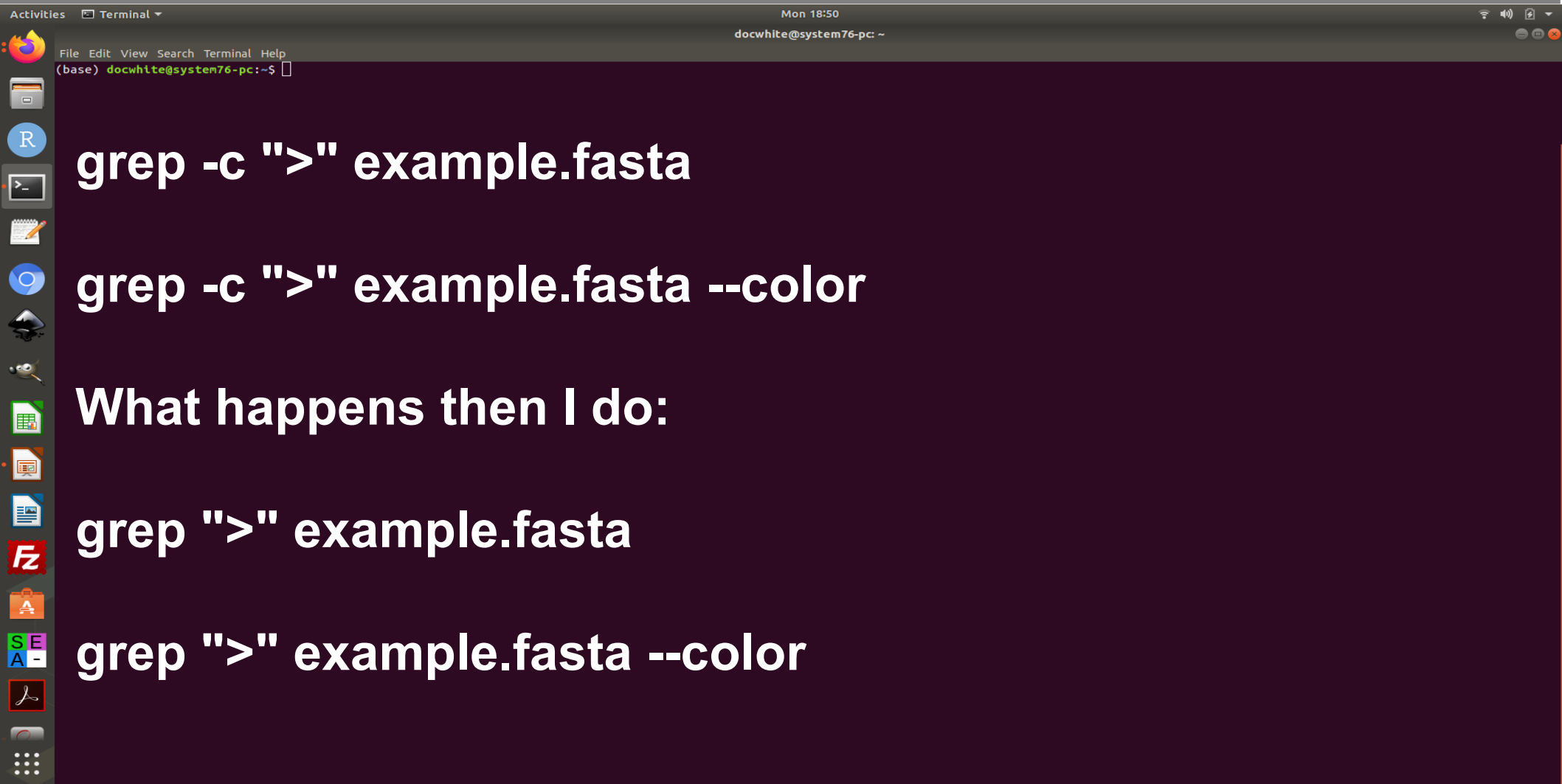
Kite rats kite cash REd kite
kite rats kite red caSh rats
kite rats kite caSh red green

grep '^kite' file.txt | wc -l **(front of the line)**

grep 'kite\$' file.txt | wc -l **(end of the line)**

grep '[Kk]ite' file.txt | wc -l **(match all)**

grep examples



```
grep -c ">" example.fasta
```

```
grep -c ">" example.fasta --color
```

What happens then I do:

```
grep ">" example.fasta
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Activities Terminal ▾

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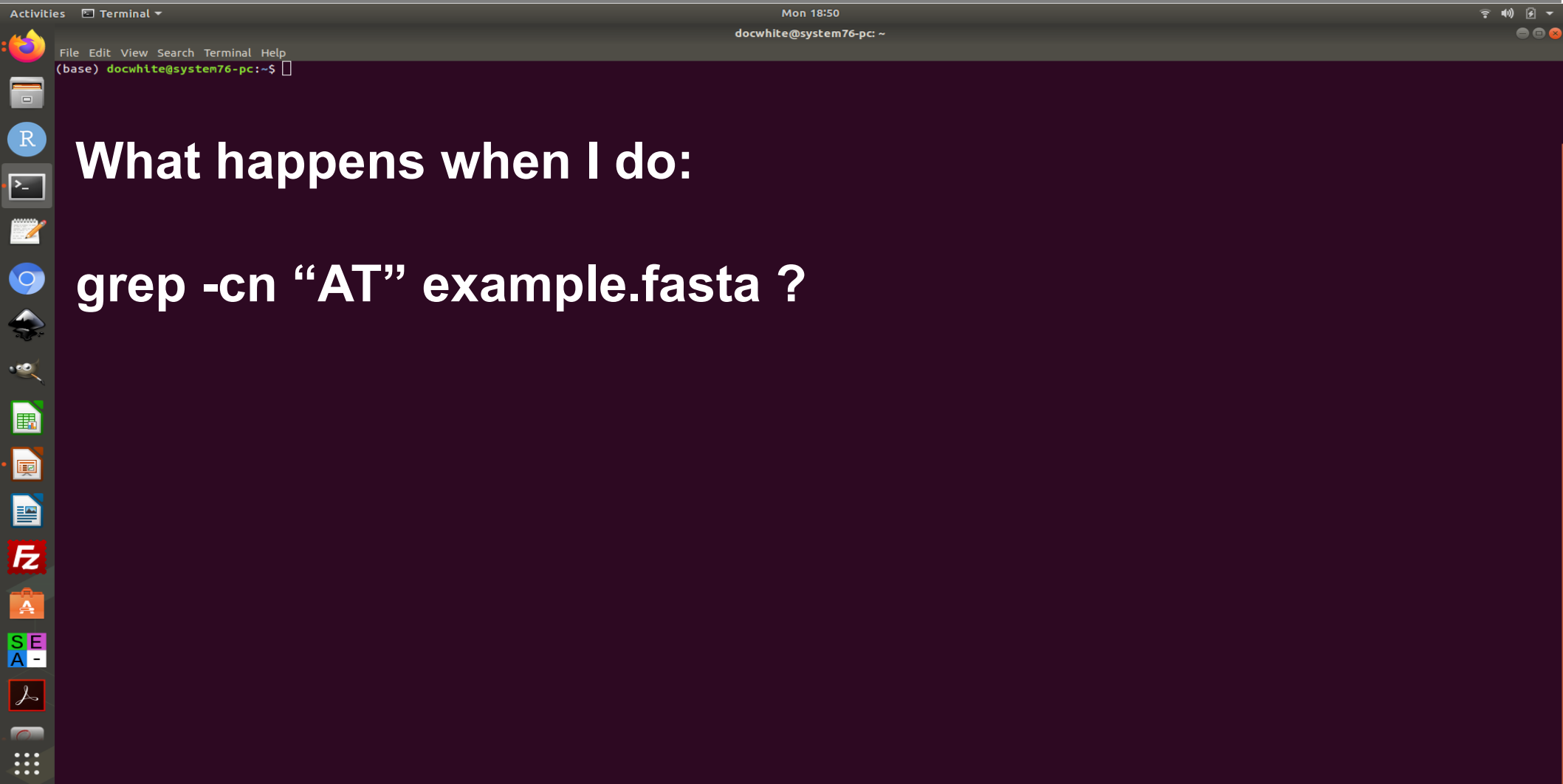
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grep examples



What happens when I do:

`grep -cn "AT" example.fasta ?`

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What happens when I do:

grep -cn "AT" example.fasta ?

Six? Is that right?

Activities Terminal ▾

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Write a grep command the count all 'AT' within the example.fasta?

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grep -c "AT" example.fasta

What happens?

Activities Terminal

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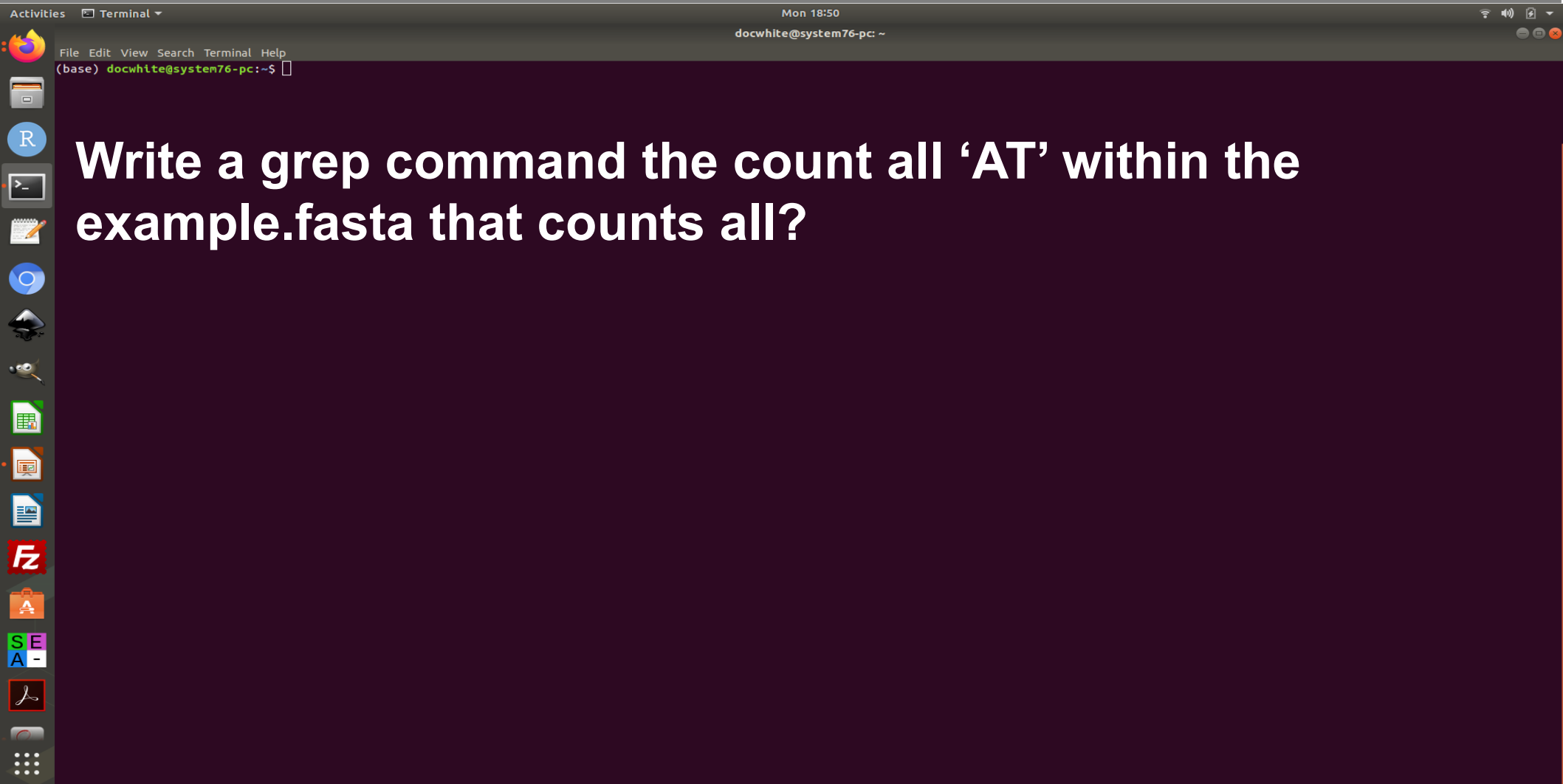
Write a grep command the count all 'AT' within the example.fasta?

grep -c "AT" example.fasta

What happens?

SIX right?

grep examples



Write a grep command the count all 'AT' within the example.fasta that counts all?

Activities Terminal ▾

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Write a grep command the count all 'AT' within the example.fasta?

grep -o "AT" example.fasta | wc -l

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Bonus 3

- Count both the number of AT and GC in one grep command and in another command print the line number which they appear?

Quiz 3

- On canvas now