



Bioinformatics Computational Methods 1 - BIOL 6308



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Last Time

- Formatting Strings
- Perl Statements
- Scalars
- Arrays
- Hashes
- Operators
 - Assignment
 - Comparison
 - String and Number
 - Logical
- Control Structures
 - Loops
 - Decisions

- Open and Closing Files or input
 - filehandles
- chomp and die
- Perl's default variable \$_, very important to understand
- Example Scripts
- Questions?

Example Scripts For This Lecture

Scripts and data



Default Variable (cont'd)

```
>mutated sequence ←
#!/usr/bin/perl
use strict;
use warnings;
use feature qw(say);
#create a variable to store the datafile
my $infile = 'sequences.fasta';
unless (open(INFILE, "<", $infile) ){
   die "Can't open file: " , $infile , " " , $!;
while (<INFILE>) {
    chomp; # using $
   if ($ =~ /^>/){
       say $ ;
    else{
       #could print here if I wanted the sequence data
close INFILE
```

```
Enter another value: A
You entered A which is 1 long
A
Enter another value: Here
You entered Here which is 4 long
Here
Enter another value: Biology
You entered Biology which is 7 long
Biology
Enter another value: ^C
```

What's My Line Separator

- When you open file for reading, how are lines processed?
 - By default the "\n" character is what separates each line:
 - Means Perl is breaking up the input by "\n" newline characters

```
while(<INFILE>) {
          ##DO SOMETHING
}
```

- But it doesn't have to be that way
- Special character you can use to change record separator

```
$/ = ""; ##what will this do?
```

You can set this to what you want to get chunks of data at a time, instead
of individual lines

See testScriptFH2.pl

Case Example - Line Separator

- You have to implement a way to read in a fasta file in your Perl script
- You know the usual construction:
 - open with filehandles
 - while(<INFILE>)
- Default behavior of Perl
 - Handle things **one line** at a time
 - why might that be a problem?
 - Leads to loops that sometimes have to deal with the results of the previous iteration before doing new work
 - logic can be more difficult
 - iterators and temporary values
- Modules and BioPerl are widely available to just read this file, but remember, you're a new Perl programmer
- Any ideas?

./testScriptFasta.pl Output

- Use the record separator, \$/
- Try using this statement in your declarations:

$$- $/ = "\n>";$$

1 >mutated sequence

MEFFGESWKKHLSGEFGKPYFIKLMGFVAEERKHYTVYPPPHQVFTGTQMCDIKDVKVVILGQNPYHGPNQA HGLCFSVQRPVPPPPSLENIYKELSTDIEDFVHPGHGDLSGWAKQGVLLLNAVLTVRAHQANSHKERGWEQF TDAVVSWLNQNSNGLVFLLWGSYAQKKGSAIDRKRHHVLQTAGPSPRSVYGGFFGCRHFSKTNELLQKSGKK PIDWKEL

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Notice Anything?

Writing to Files

• Of course we could....

```
$ ./test.pl >our_output.txt
```

• But we're beginning to implement real programs, so we'll need a way to open an outfile

```
my $outfile = 'codingGenes.fasta';
unless (open(OUTFILE, ">", $outfile) ) {
    die "can't open " , $outfile , " for writing " , $!;
}
```

- We can use > or >>, what's the difference?
- Remember that writing to files will delete old file if use the ">"
 - Of course you need permissions to the file
 - Might want to give user the option to provide output name, instead of hard coding

FYI - Binmode

- Writing to a file doesn't necessarily mean text or strings
 - You can write to files in binary format
- When trying to write an:
 - Image, a sound file or an executable,
 - You'll need to write it in binary because some systems will translate all newline feeds \n into carriage returns /r/n.
- Files that are not in binary have CR LF sequences converted to LF on input, and LF to CR LF on output
- This is vital for operating systems that use two characters to separate lines within text files (MS-DOS)
- To prevent some systems from automatically rewriting this, we use binmode

binmode FILEHANDLE;

http://perldoc.perl.org/functions/binmode.html

cmp and <=>

- testScript5.pl**
- Sorting an array is easy in Perl uses special variable \$a and \$b
- This why you should never use \$a and \$b in your scripts
 - To sort an array in **ASCII** (Alphabetical) order:

```
sort(@array); #just doing this, lose the sort and get warning
```

Example of storing a sort result back into the same array :

```
@array = sort (@array); #store the data
```

- To sort an array in **reverse ASCII** (Alphabetical) order:

```
sort {$b cmp $a} (@array);
    - OR

@days = sort(@days); #sort
@days = reverse(@days); #reverse the order
```

To sort an array in numeric ascending order:

```
@array = sort {$a <=> $b} (@array);
```

To sort an array in numeric descending order:

```
@array = sort {$b <=> $a} (@array);
```

^{**} This scripts can be found in /data/METHODS/Fall/LECT4

Arrays - Easy String Sorting

```
use strict;
use warnings;
use feature qw(say);
my @input = (
    "Hello World!",
    "You're all I need.",
    "to be or not to be",
    "There's more than one way to do it.",
    "Absolutely Fabulous",
    "Give me liberty or give me death.",
    "Linux - Because software problems should not cost money",
);
# Do a case-sensitive reverse ASCII sort
my @sorted = (sort { $b cmp $a } @input);
foreach my $ele (@sorted) {
    say $ele;
                           to be or not to be
                          You're all I need.
                          There's more than one way to do it.
                          Linux - Because software problems should not cost money
                           Hello World!
                          Give me liberty or give me death.
                          Absolutely Fabulous
```

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);
# Do a case-insensitive sort
my @sorted = (sort { lc($b) cmp lc($a); } @input);
foreach my $ele (@sorted) {
    say $ele;
                          You're all I need.
                           to be or not to be
                           There's more than one way to do it.
                          Linux - Because software problems should not cost money
                           Hello World!
                          Give me liberty or give me death.
                          Absolutely Fabulous
```

Arrays - Numerical Sorting...?

```
#!/usr/bin/perl
use strict;
use warnings;

my @array = (100,5,8,92,-7,34,29,58,8,10,24);
my @sorted = (sort @array);
foreach my $ele (@sorted) {
    print $ele , ",";
}
print "\n";
```

Will this work?

-7,10,100,24,29,34,5,58,8,8,92,

That's probably not what we wanted

Does anyone know what's going to happen here?

Arrays - Easy Numerical Sorting, the Correct Way

```
#!/usr/bin/perl
use strict;
use warnings;

my @array = (100,5,8,92,-7,34,29,58,8,10,24);
my @sorted = (sort { $a <=> $b } @array);
foreach my $ele (@sorted) {
    print $ele , ",";
}
print "\n";
```

-7,5,8,8,10,24,29,34,58,92,100,

Hashes - Easy Sorting on a **Key**

```
#!/usr/bin/perl
use strict;
use warnings;
use feature qw(say);
                                                          april 96
my %grades = (
                                                          jim 90
         jim => 90,
                                                          john 76
         ted \Rightarrow 75,
                                                          nancy 55
         april => 96,
                                                          ted 75
         nancy \Rightarrow 55,
         john => 76
);
##go over each key
foreach my $key (sort (keys %grades) ) {
         say $key , " " , $grades{$key};
```

But what if we wanted to sort by actual grades?

Hashes - Easy Sorting on a Value

```
#!/usr/bin/perl
use strict;
use warnings;
                                                           april 96
use feature qw(say);
                                                           jim 90
                                                           john 76
my %grades = (
         jim => 90,
                                                           ted 75
         ted \Rightarrow 75,
                                                           nancy 55
         april => 96,
         nancy \Rightarrow 55,
         john => 76,
);
##go over each key and sort by the value
##using an inline Perl function
foreach my $key (sort{ $grades{$b} <=> $grades{$a} } (keys %grades) ){
         say $key , " " , $grades{$key};
```

sort5.pl

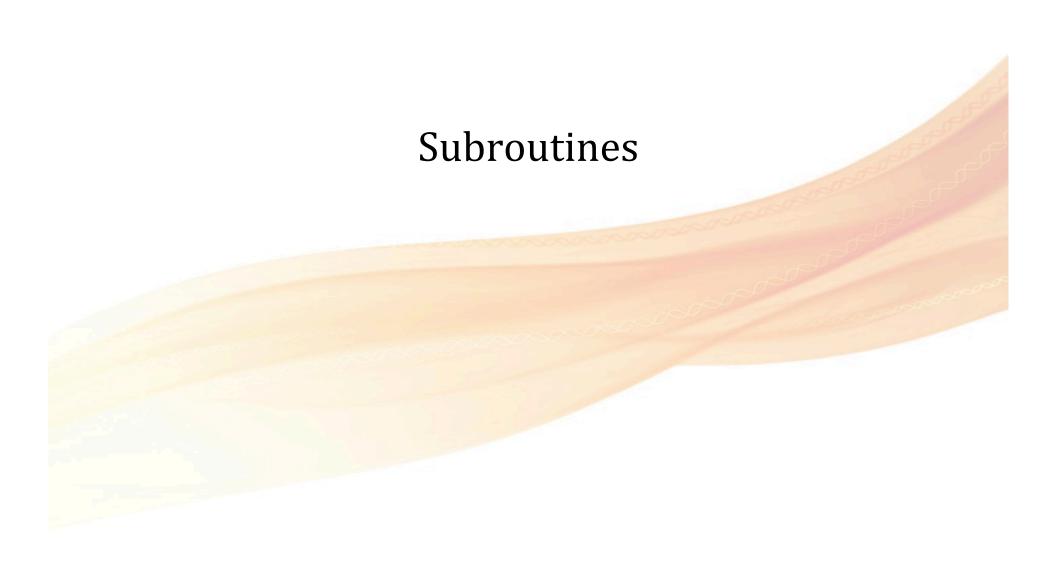
Now that's better

Defensive Programming

- So far we know how to:
 - Get data from user, Read and write files, calculations, etc
 - For small programs this is adequate
- Might want to use files in context of larger applications:
 - Check their status before we try and open them
 - If necessary, take preventative measure
 - Maybe warn user if a file we wish to overwrite exists
 - Check to make sure we don't read a directory as if it was a file
 - Check make sure an \$ARGV was given
- This sort of programming is called defensive programming
 - Anticipating the consequences of future actions
 - Assume everything is out to get you
- Properly anticipating, diagnosing, and working around these areas is the mark of a strong programmer
- Perl has built in ways to test for this (see next slide)

File tests

- -r File or directory is readable by this (effective) user or group
- -w File or directory is writable by this (effective) user or group
- -x File or directory is executable by this (effective) user or group
- -e File or directory name exists
- -z File exists and has zero size (always false for directories)
- -s File or directory exists and has nonzero size (the value is the size in bytes)
- -f Entry is a plain file
- Lets Look at testScriptFH3.pl



Subroutines - Getting Efficient with Perl

Thus far, we been dealing with code that has been sequential

```
do this;
  do that;
  now do something;
  finish;
```

- That's a good start!
 - But there's problem:
 - You need something to be done over and over, perhaps slightly different depending on the context
 - i.e. translate a DNA sequence in different reading frames
 - Do you want to do this 6 times?
 - Say you do this six times, and then find a mistake
 - What's the problem?
 - Solution:
 - Put the code in a subroutine and call the subroutine when you need it!

Basics Behind a Subroutines

- Now we'll need to begin to discuss breaking our code up into smaller, manageable pieces
- Subroutines allow you to:
 - Input variables
 - Return variables
- These can be placed anywhere in your Perl program
- For maintainability, you can put them the end of your script
- Allow you to reduce code duplication
- General rule:
 - If you do something more then once, write a subroutine

Why Use Subroutines

- Subroutines give us the ability to give a name to a section of code
 - Allows us to break up our longer sections
 - When we need that code, we just call it by name
- Helps our programming 4 main reasons:
 - Reuse code
 - Easier fix bugs and faster for us to write programs
 - Organize our code into sections
 - Each sub can be responsible for a particular task

Case Example

- Imagine:
 - Have 3 dna sequences
 - Need to apply substitution to each of them:

```
# trim leading/trailing whitespace
$dna1 =~ s/^\s*(.*?)\s*$/$1/;
$dna2 =~ s/^\s*(.*?)\s*$/$1/;
$dna3 =~ s/^\s*(.*?)\s*$/$1/;
```

- Not bad for a rookie
- But, Increasingly cumbersome the longer your script becomes
- Why?

Case Example

- Next, add several more variables
 - Which must have the exact same substitution applied
 - Do you search for the original code, then copy and paste it again and again?
 - Not very efficient
 - Greater possibilities for error
 - Could copy something incorrectly
 - Accidentally edit the code in a way contrary to your intention

```
# trim leading/trailing whitespace
$dna1 =~ s/^\s*(.*?)\s*$/$1/;
$dna2 =~ s/^\s*(.*?)\s*$/$1/;
$dna3 =~ s/^\s*(.*?)\s*$/$1/;
```

Case Example

- Consider the ongoing **maintenance** requirements for the code
 - Initial substitution proves to be: Faulty, Incomplete or Simply need extension
 - Maintenance will require you to find and re-edit each instance of the code to correct the problem
 - Does this sound good?

```
# trim leading/trailing whitespace
$dna1 =~ s/^\s*(.*?)\s*$/$1/;
$dna2 =~ s/^\s*(.*?)\s*$/$1/;
$dna3 =~ s/^\s*(.*?)\s*$/$1/;
```

So When Should I Use Subroutine in Perl?

- Probably two cases when a piece of code should be put into a subroutine
 - 1st
 - When you know it will be used to perform a calculation
 - When you know the action is going to happen more then once
 - Putting string into a specific format
 - Printing the header or footer of a report
 - Etc.
 - 2nd
 - Logical units of your program you want to break up to make your program easier to understand
 - Much easier to make changes
 - Easier to use elsewhere

When You Define and Use Subroutines

- Code logic is neatly contained in a single location of the script
- Can be called (and later modified, when necessary) without requiring you to track down every instance of the logic in the script at large
- Using a powerful programming tool
 - Syntax of most programming languages includes support for writing and using them
 - Judicious use of subroutines will often substantially reduce cost of developing and maintaining a large program, while increasing its quality and reliability
- So how is it done in Perl?

Declaring Subroutines in Perl

```
# main program
# subroutines defined here
sub sub1 {
sub sub2 {
sub sub3 {
```

Subroutines can be placed anywhere in the program but best to group them at the end

Defining a Subroutine - Its Easy!

Naming a Subroutine

- Name of a subroutine is another **Perl identifier** (letters, digits, and underscores, but can't start with a digit)
- If the subroutine is:
 - Primarily about performing an activity
 - Name them with the verb first:
 - summarizeData or downloadProtein
 - Primarily about returning information
 - Name them after what they return:
 - getGreeting or getHeader
 - About testing whether a statement is true or not use is:
 - isValid isDna isProtein
 - Converting one thing into another, try to convey both things, use 2:
 - text2htm or meters2feet

Passing Parameters (Arguments) To Subroutines

• Pass **parameters** by placing them between parentheses

```
printProductTwoNumbers(10,15);
```

- What happens to the parameters?
 - End up in Perl's special variable, the array:
 - So we can get to these parameters:

We've seen some similar to this before?

```
sub printProductTwoNumbers{
    my ($firstNumber, $secondNumber) = @_;
    my $product = $firstNumber * $secondNumber;
    say $product;
}
```

Let's take a look at testScript14.pl

Return Values

- Sometimes want more than printing may want to return a result
 - Here we can test if our call was successful

```
return(0); or return ('T');
```

- Return the summed value or a value from some other calculation
- Return a translated dna sequence
- Two ways of returning things in Perl
 - Implicitly or explicitly
 - Use the **explicit** way:
 - Easier to understand
 - Forces you realize what you are returning
 - With Perl you can return multiple variables

```
return($sum1, $sum2);
```

```
sub getProductOfTwoNumbers{
          my ($firstNumber, $secondNumber) = @_;
          my $product = $firstNumber * $secondNumber;
          return($product);
}
```

Return Values

• Can also return multiple scalars, arrays, etc.

Let's look at testScriptSub1.pl

• But just like the input everything ends up in a single array or list:

Understanding Scope

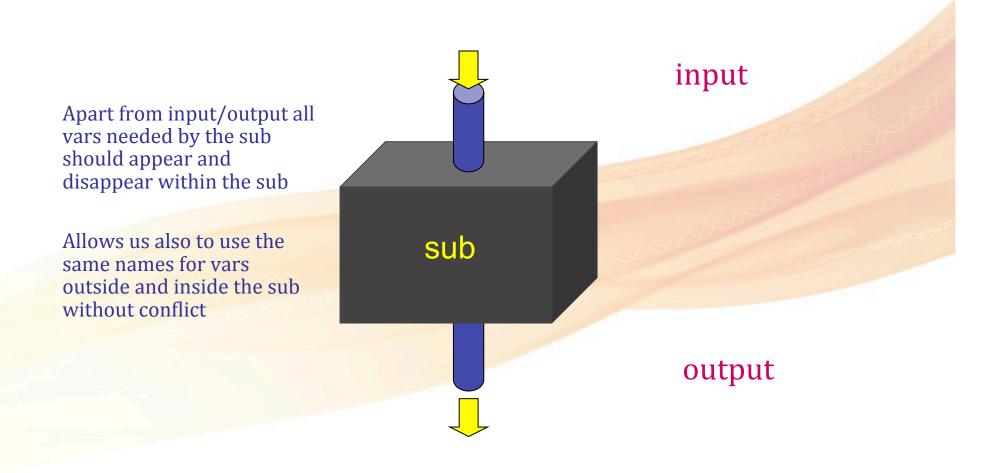
- Remember when we declare a variable with my
- Perl has two types of Scope
 - Global can be accessed anywhere in the program
 - Lexical
- We begin programming in a package called **main**

```
my $dnaSeq;
```

- Perl sees this as my \$main::dnaSeq
- Since we're in main package, we can just use \$dnaSeq
 - Like the phone system
 - Don't have to dial the area code when you call someone in the same region
- Now inside a subroutine
 - Variables declared with my have their own scope
 - They can only be seen w/in the sub
 - Lexical

The Need for Variable Scoping

A well implemented subroutine should work like a **black box**, apart from well-defined inputs/outputs it should not affect the rest of the program



Variable Scoping in Perl

- By default, all variables defined outside a sub are visible within it all variables outside a subroutine are global – is this good?
- Therefore the sub can change variables used outside the sub
- This is where you can get yourself into trouble

Solution:

Restrict the *scope* of the variables by making them **local** to the subroutine

Eliminate the risk of altering a variable present outside the **sub**. Also makes it clear what the subroutine needs to function.

How? use my

Variable Scoping in Perl

In Perl, variables are made local to a subroutine (or a block) using the **my** keyword. For example:

```
sub testSub{
    my ($readingFrame) = @_;
    my $variable1; # simple declaration
    my $dna = "GGTTCACCACCTG"; # with initialization
    my ($seq1,$seq2,$seq3); # more than 1
}

$readingFrame, $variable1, $dna, $seq1, $seq2, and $seq3 can
    only be seen by sub testSub
```

you could have \$dna in main, and it would not interfere with \$dna inside the testSub subroutine

Call By Value

Consider

```
my $i = 5;
my \$j = add100(\$i);
                                              $i here not changed by the
say "In Main i = ", $i;
                                              subroutine
sub add100 {
  my $i = 0;
   $i = $i + 100;
                                  Remember
   say "In sub i = ", $i;
                                  Context!
  return ($i);
Any ideas of the output from above?
                                    In sub i = 101
                                                         Why not 105?
                                    In Main i = 5
```

This is called *Call by Value* (pass by Value) because a copy is made of the parameter passed and whatever happens to this copy in the subroutine doesn't affect the variable in the main program

But how could you change the actual \$i? You could use a reference

Passing More Complex Parameters

- Passing scalars is easy
- What if you want to pass an array
 - Can you pass an array?????

```
mySub(@arr); #ok here
checkSame(@a, @b); #going to get in trouble
```

- When you pass an array inside a list, the list collapses
 - The original structure of the array is lost
 - Even before we put anything in the parameter array @_
- To get around this we use references

See testScriptSub2.pl

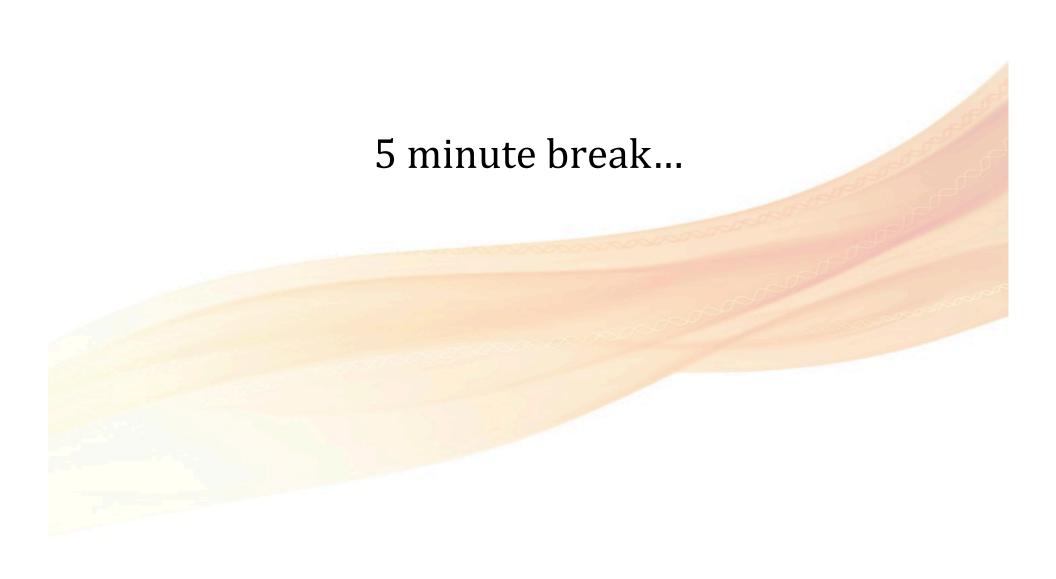
Overview of Subroutines

- Subroutines are a block of code that should carry out ONE particular task
- Best to keep it to **ONE** task
 - Get in the habit of implementing subroutines **that do one task**
 - Don't do multiple things in a subroutine
 - Try limit to the task at hand
 - This will help you become a more effective programmer
 - Becomes easier to add new functionality later on
- They can be called as many times as required within your script

Benefits of Implementing Subroutines

- Increased functionality, easy to go in and create changes
- Saves typing code over and over
 - Make a change once, instead of every time you did the cut & paste
 - Results in maintainable code
- Decrease the chance of error creeping into the code (decrease code smell as well)
- 1st step in creating code that can be reused and even packaged up
- Values passed to subroutine held in @__





Passing More Complex Parameters into a Subroutine

References in a Subroutine

- Passing scalars is easy
- What if you want to pass an array
 - When you pass an array inside a list, the list collapses
 - The original structure of the array is lost
 - Even before we put anything in the parameter array @_
 - This is why you cannot implement like:

```
areArraysTheSame(@a, @b)
```

To get around this we use references - Call by reference

```
#!/usr/bin/perl
use strict;
use warnings;

my $a = 5;
increment(\$a);
print "$a\n";

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sub increment{
    my ($refScalar) = @_;
    $$refScalar++;
}
Also known as pass by reference

pass reference

dereference
```

What is a Reference?

Simple definition:

look like?

- Piece of data that tells us the location of another piece of data
- example: See the first paragraph on page 130
 - Reference to the text on that page
 - Not the actual data, but where to find it!
 - Immediately use the data despite it being somewhere else
- This is why references are so useful
 - Specify data once, then access it from wherever else we are
 - Allow us to pass arrays and hashes to our subroutines correctly b/c we can keep their structure

```
passing array
               areArraysTheSame(\@a, \@b)
                                                              reference directly
                          or
What's a reference
               my \$refArr1 = \@a;
               my $refArr2 = \@b;
               areArraysTheSame($refArr1, $refArr2);
```

References - Simple, Nothing Special

• A reference is always a scalar

```
my $refScalar = \$dna; #get a reference to a scalar
```

The data the reference refers does not have to be a scalar

```
my $refArr = \@dna; #get a reference to array
```

- Languages like C and C++ have a similar feature, called pointers
 - References similar, but pointers are nastier!
 - References store memory locations for specific clearly defined data structures
 - Don't have to worry about memory management
 - no malloc, no new

Two Ways to Create Reference

- There are two ways to create a reference
 - 1st You've already got the data in a variable
 - 2^{nd} You want to use anonymous data to go straight to a reference
- 1st way:

```
my @arr = (1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6);
my $refArr = \@arr;
my $scalar = 42;
my $refScalar = \$scalar;
my %hash = (apple => "pomme", pear => "poire");
my $refHash = \%hash;
```

Then treat the references just like scalars:

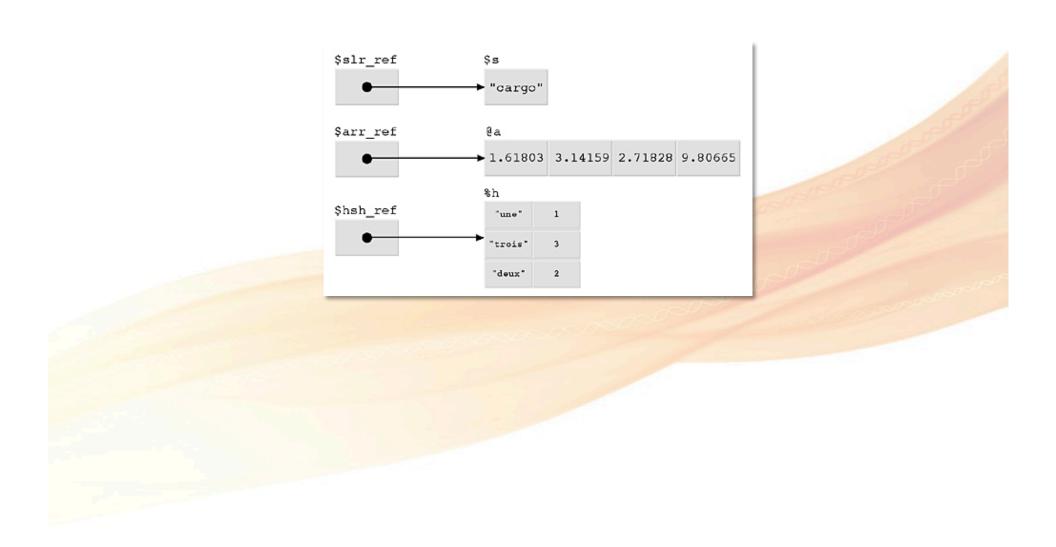
```
my @ref = ($refArr, $refScalar, $refHash);
```

See testScriptRef1.pl

FYI - Anonymous References

- Not Covered in 6308
- 2nd way:
 - To do all this w/o having to go through the interim stages of creating the variables
- Anonymous references will let us go straight from our raw data to a reference
 - Rules:
 - Get array reference use square brackets [] instead of parentheses
 - Get hash reference use curly braces { } instead of parentheses
- Anonymous data structures are out of the scope of this class
 - More taught on this subject matter in BIOL6200

What it Looks Like



Using References

- Once you've created a reference, you'll want to use it:
 - Access the data
 - Operation of getting data back from a reference is called dereferencing
 - In order to use the data we have to dereference
 - There are different options in Perl
 - See testScriptRef2.pl for arrays
 - See testScriptRef3.pl for hashes

Dereferencing the Variable Types

Variable	Instantiating the Varialbe	Referencing it	Dereferencing it	Accessing an element
\$scalar	\$scalar = "steve";	<pre>\$refSc = \\$scalar</pre>	\$\$refSc or \${\$refSc}	N/A
@list	@list = ("steve", "fred");	\$refArr = \@list	@\$refArr	\$\$refArr[0] \$refArr->[0]
%hash	%hash = ("name" => "steve", "job" => "Troubleshooter");	\$refHash = \%hash	%\$refHash	\$\$refHash{name} \$refHash->{name}

← Use Second Form

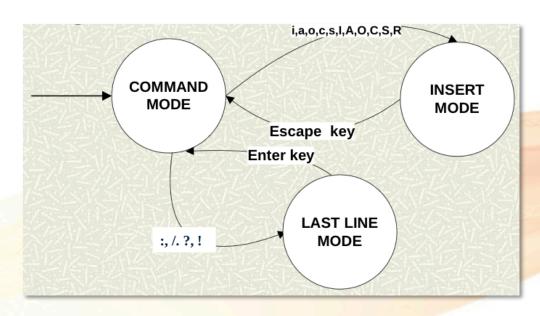
Passing Reference to a Subroutine

```
#! /usr/bin/perl
use warnings;
use strict;
use feature qw(say);
my @DNA1 = qw(A G C T A G G G C C A T T T A C G G T);
my @DNA2 = qw(A G C T A G G G C C T T T T A C G G T);
my $refArray1 = \@DNA1; #create a reference
my $refArray2 = \@DNA2;
compareArrays($refArray1, $refArray2);
sub compareArrays{
    my ($refArr1, $refArr2) = @ ;
    my $size = @$refArr1; #dereference, to get the size, this look familar?
    for (my $i = 0; $i < $size; $i++) {}
        my $val1 = $refArr1->[$i]; #dereference to get the element
        my $val2 = $refArr2->[$i];
        if ($val1 eq $val2) {
        else{
            say "At index " , $i , " there is a difference " ,
                 $val1 , " " , $val2;
    }#fore
```



A Conceptual Model of vim

- This is a picture of the way that vim works
- The arrows from one state to another are labeled by the keys that cause its state to change



Command Mode is used to issue vim commands

Insert Mode is used to type in text.

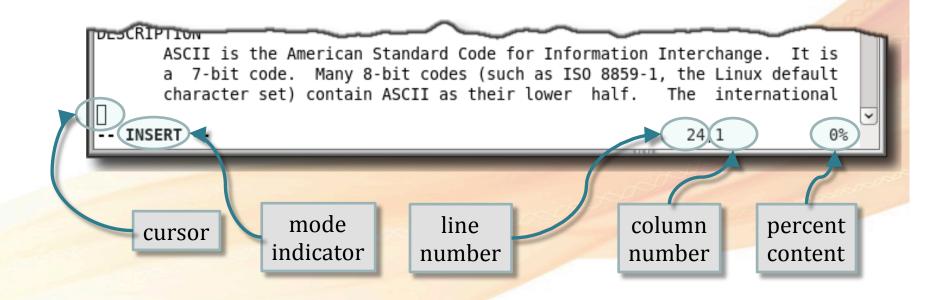
Switch back and forth between two modes:

i <Esc>

vim: Modes of Operation

Command Mode: Accepts vim commands

• Input Mode: Accepts any text



• Escape Key: Toggles between Command and Input Modes

Insert Mode

- In Insert Mode:
 - Everything you type is inserted at the text insertion point, until you type
 <ESC>
 - Very little you need to learn about Insert Mode
- Easy to tell when vim is in Insert Mode:
 - Will display a line at the bottom of the screen with the word
 - -- INSERT --

Last-Line Mode

- Last-Line Mode odd name when vim is in that mode, there is a prompt on the **last line** of your screen
- Last-Line Mode is entered only from Command Mode, and only by pressing either ':', '/' or '?'
- '/' and '?' tell vim to search in the file for the regular expression that you provide after it followed by a <CR>character
 - The first searches forward and the second, backward

Last-Line Mode

- The ':' tells vim to expect a command
- There are several types of commands, such as those to
 - Read a file
 - Write the current contents to a file
 - Do multiple-line operations such as replacements, deletions, copying to buffers
 - Set line markers or view marked lines
 - View special characters in lines
 - Run a shell command in a subshell

Command Mode

- Only way to know you're in Command Mode is to realize that it is not in the other modes
- If you do not see the word "INSERT" and you do not see the prompt for Last-Line mode (:,/,?), then it is in Command Mode
- In Command Mode
 - Navigate through the file
 - Make changes within single lines
 - Copy parts of lines or paste into them
- Considered base camp, so it is from here that you can enter Insert Mode or Last-Line Mode

The Most Important Commands

NAVIGATION:

- The arrow keys usually work as well
- Other keys move the cursor to various places
 - such as: ^ \$ () { } w e b

• DELETION:

- Commands to delete words or characters include x and d
- Whole lines are deleted with dd

SUBSTITUTION:

- Substitutions are made by s/pattern/replacement/ within a line

SEARCHING:

Searches within a line use f or t or in the file by entering Last-Line Mode with / or ?.

Insertion Command

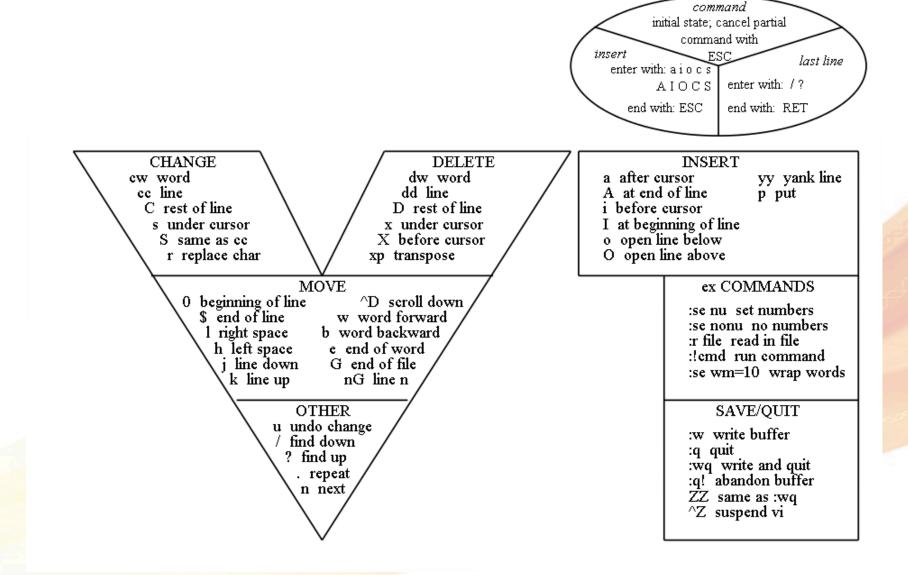
- Commands let you enter Insert Mode in various ways:
 - insert to the left of insertion point
 - a insert to the right of insertion point
 - − insert a line below current line
 - − insert a line above current line
 - I insert at beginning of line
 - A insert at end of line

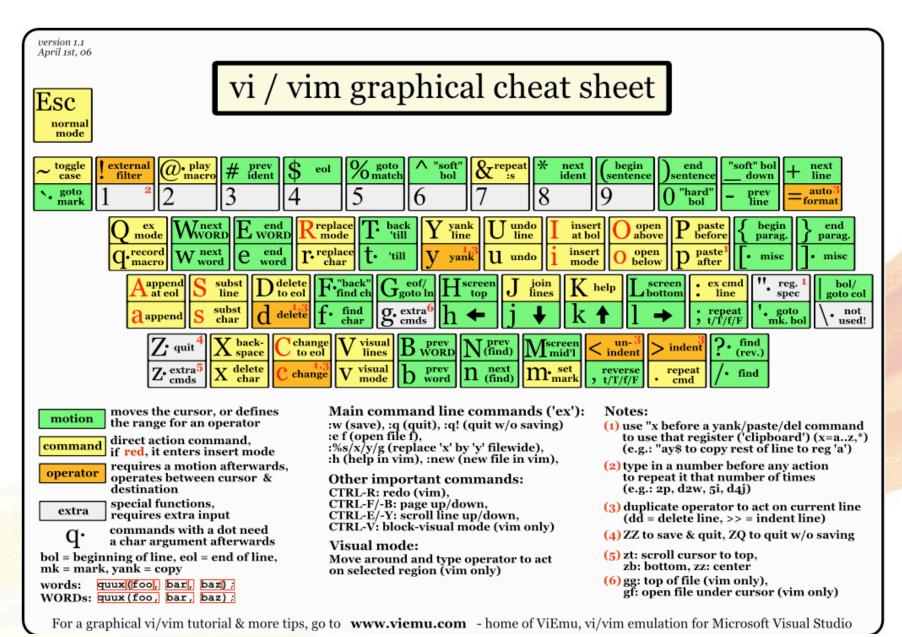
The Buffer

- vim has a buffer that it uses in the same way that Windows applications use the clipboard
- Lets you copy text into buffer and paste text from buffer into specific points in the file
- Makes a copy of text deleted with the delete command (d or D) in the buffer, so that it can be pasted

Command Repetition

- Most commands can be preceded by a positive integer to affect their behavior in some way
- For example:
 - Command w advances to next word in the file from cursor, and 5w advances to the 5th word from the cursor
- a command followed by text and then <ESC> adds the text to the right of the insertion point, so 100a#<ESC> adds the string #100 times:

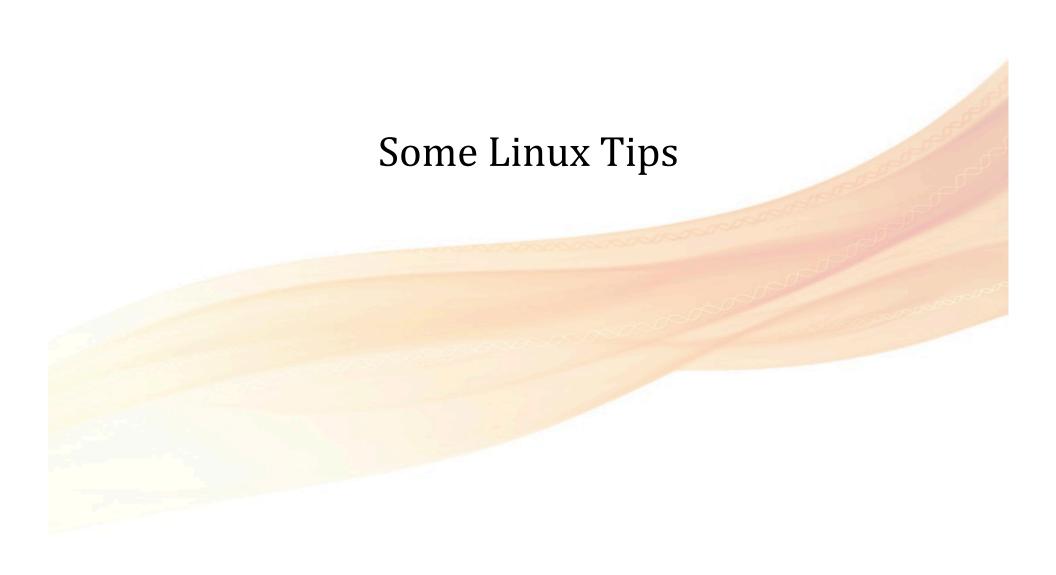




http://www.viemu.com/vi-vim-cheat-sheet.gif

vim: Location of vimrc

- Location:
 - Unix:
 - \$HOME/.vimrc
 - ~/.vimrc
 - Windows:
 - :version
 - :echo \$HOME
 - :echo \$VIM



One Danger of cp

- Suppose you already have a file named source copy when you type cp source source copy
- The cp command will silently replace your old file with a copy of source, and you cannot get it back. It's gone
- It is safer to type

 cp -i source source copy
- which will ask you first if you want to replace source copy:
 - cp: overwrite 'source copy'?
- to which you can type 'y' or 'n'

Copying Multiple Files into a Directory

• Another form of cp is

```
cp file1 file2 file3 ... fileN destdir
```

 which, if the first N arguments are regular files (not directories, and the last is an existing directory, will make copies of file1, file2, ... fileN and put those copies into destdir

Commands with less

- Less if very powerful, and includes many other ways to navigate through a file
- In the following, **N** is a number you type before the letter
- If you omit the number, less uses its default value
 - Nd scroll forward N lines(1/2 page by default)
 - **Mu** scroll backward N lines (1/2 page by default)
 - Ng go to line N in the file (top by default)
 - No go to the position that is N% of the file (top)
 - if more than one file has bee less'd
 - :n go to next file,
 - :p go to previous file

The file Command

- file command attempts to guess the type of a file
- Is if a file is a shell script, or an executable file, or a device file, or some other kind of special file
 - type:
 \$ file filename
- file command will display information about the file whose name is supplied
- For example:

```
$ file .bashrc
.bashrc: ASCII text
```

More on the file Command

• The file command can also determine the form of an executable file in UNIX

```
$ file /usr/bin/mysql
```

```
/usr/bin/mysql: ELF 64-bit LSB executable, x86-64, version 1 (SYSV), dynamically linked (uses shared libs), for GNU/Linux 2.6.18, stripped
```

• This shows that mysql can run on an Intel x86-64 or compatible chip, that it is a 62-bit executable, among other things

For Thursday

- Read: Overview of Programming and Problem Solving
 - http://155.33.203.128/teaching/BIOL6308-Fall2013/local/Literature/mcmillan01.pdf
 - Read up to page 32 **Algorithmic Problem Solving**
- Go over examples from today, and go through code examples provided in:
 - /data/METHODS/Fall/LECT5/
- Go over Perl Readings:
 - 6. Files and Data
 - 7. <u>References</u>
 - 8. Subroutines