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 - Structure
 - Structure arrays
- Today's Lecture:
 - Working with large data files
 - Built-in `sort` function
- Announcement:
 - P5 Part A posted, due 4/10 at 6pm
 - Part B TBA

```
function cellArray2file(CA, fname)
% CA is a cell array of strings.
% Create a .txt file with the name
% specified by the string fname.
% The i-th line in the file is CA{i}

fid= fopen([fname '.txt'], 'w');
for i= 1:length(CA)
    fprintf(fid, '%s\n', CA{i});
end
fclose(fid);
```

```
function CA = file2cellArray(fname)
% fname is a string that names a .txt file
% in the current directory.
% CA is a cell array with CA{k} being the
% k-th line in the file.

fid= fopen([fname '.txt'], 'r');
k= 0;
while ~feof(fid)
    k= k+1;
    CA{k}= fgetl(fid);
end
fclose(fid);
```

Where exactly are the xyz data?

1-4	14-15	18-20	33-38	41-46	49-54	← Column nos. of interest	
ATOM	14 N	HIS A 25	68.656	24.973	44.142	1.00128.26	N
ATOM	15 CA	HIS A 25	69.416	24.678	42.939	1.00128.26	C
ATOM	16 C	HIS A 25	68.843	23.458	42.227	1.00128.26	C
ATOM	17 O	HIS A 25	68.911	23.354	41.007	1.00128.26	O
ATOM	18 CB	HIS A 25	70.881	24.416	43.300	1.00154.92	C
ATOM	19 CG	HIS A 25	71.188	22.977	43.573	1.00154.92	C
ATOM	20 ND1	HIS A 25	71.886	22.184	42.689	1.00154.92	N
ATOM	21 CD2	HIS A 25	70.877	22.182	44.625	1.00154.92	C
ATOM	22 CE1	HIS A 25	71.993	20.963	43.183	1.00154.92	C
ATOM	23 NE2	HIS A 25	71.388	20.935	44.356	1.00154.92	N
ATOM	24 N	TRP A 26	68.271	22.546	43.005	1.00 87.09	N
ATOM	25 CA	TRP A 26	67.702	21.311	42.475	1.00 87.09	C
ATOM	26 C	TRP A 26	66.187	21.378	42.339	1.00 87.09	C
ATOM	27 O	TRP A 26	65.577	20.508	41.718	1.00 87.09	O

x y z

- Just getting what you need from a data file
- Read past all the header information
 - When you come to the lines of interest, collect the xyz data
 - Line starts with 'ATOM'
 - Cols 18-19 is 'CA'

```
fid = fopen('\bl18.dat');
x=[];y=[];z=[];
while ~feof(fid)
    s = fgetl(fid);
    if strcmp(s(1:4),'ATOM')
        if strcmp(s(18:19),'CA')
            x = [x; str2double(s(33:38))];
            y = [y; str2double(s(41:46))];
            z = [z; str2double(s(49:54))];
        end
    end
end
fclose(fid);
```

Update the x, y, z arrays

`sprintf` returns a string

Suppose `x` is a length-`n` array. Then

```
s = sprintf('%10.2f',x);
```

is equivalent to

```
s = [];
for i=1:length(x)
    s = [s sprintf('%10.2f',x(i))];
end
```

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```
function matrix2file(M,nbrFormat,fname)
% M is a 2D array of numbers
% Creates .dat file with name specified by the
% string fname.
% The ith line in the file is M(i,:) displayed with
% the format specified by the string nbrFormat
```

```
[nr,nc] = size(M);
fid = fopen([fname '.dat'],'w');
for i=1:nr
    str = sprintf(nbrFormat,M(i,:));
    fprintf(fid,'%s\n',str);
end
fclose(fid);
```

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A detailed sort-a-file example

Create a new file

```
statePopSm2Lg.txt
```

that is structured the same as `statePop.txt` except that *the states are ordered from smallest to largest according to population.*

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First, get the populations into an array

```
C = file2cellArray('StatePop');
n = length(C);
pop = zeros(n,1);
for i=1:n
    S = C{i};
    pop(i) = str2double(S(16:24));
end
```

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Built-in function `sort`

Syntax: `[y,idx] = sort(x)`

```
X: [ 10  20  5  90  15 ]
```

```
y: [ 5  10  15  20  90 ]
```

```
idx: [ 3  1  5  2  4 ]
```

$$y(k) = x(idx(k))$$

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Sort from little to big

```
% C is cell array read from statePop.txt
% pop is vector of state pop (numbers)
[s,rank] = sort(pop);
Cnew = cell(n,1);
for i=1:length(C);
    ithSmallest = rank(i);
    Cnew{i} = C{ithSmallest};
end
cellArray2file(Cnew,'statePopSm2Lg')
```

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