Programming with Matlab

Day 4: Reading and Saving Data

Save and load Data: Matlab's format

• A session can be saved or loaded, eg. all variables that are stored in cache.

```
>> save('mySave.mat')
>> save('mySave.mat', 'var1', 'var2', 'perrito')
>> load('mySave.mat')

Saves all variables to file mySave.mat

Saves variables var1, var2 and perrito to file mySave.mat

>> load('mySave.mat')

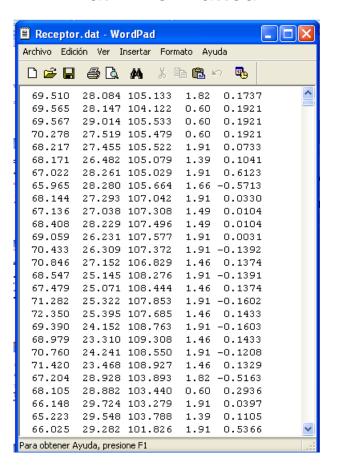
Loads variables stored in file mySave.mat
```

Data stored in text files

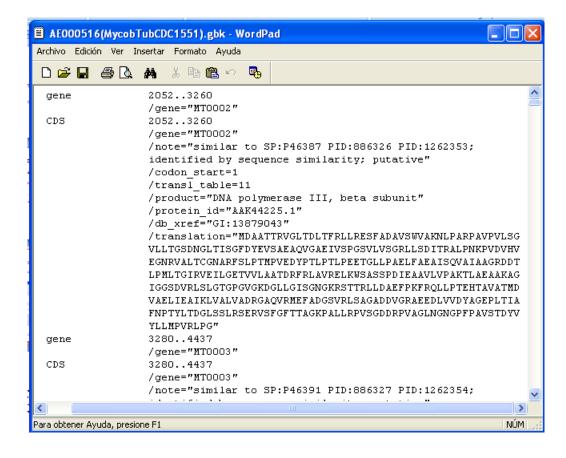
Advantage: Highly compatible

Main types

Matrix-formatted



Other formats



Reading matrix-formatted data

- Look for the file in the "current directory" menu, right click, "import data"
- In case the file is column-formatted, in order to integrate it in a script,

```
>> Matrix = importdata( 'filename')
```

Reading other files

Step 1: Open file so that Matlab can access it.

File identifier. It will represent Name of the file, the file from now on.

including extension.

• **Step 2:** Read the file. One useful instruction (see also fread):

variable cadena. Each time we execute fgetl, we get the following line.

• **Step 3:** Close the file

>> fclose(id);

Store data in text files

• Step 1: Open file so that Matlab can access it.

• **Step 2:** Write on the file (see also fwrite):

Exercise

1) Implement the following functions:

- Max and Min functions, which find the maximum and minumum of a given vector.
- A Function that computes the coulombic potential between two atoms.

Atomo 1:
$$p_1 = (x_1, y_1, z_1), Q_1$$

Atomo 2: $p_2 = (x_2, y_2, z_2), Q_2$

$$d = \sqrt{(x_1 - x_2)^2 + (y_1 - y_2)^2 + (z_1 - z_2)^2};$$

$$V_{1,2} = \frac{Q_1 Q_2}{d};$$

Exercise

2) Write a script that:

- Calculates the dimensions of a box which contains the proteing (use the max and min functions!)
- Read the ligand file (ligand_01.dat)
- Computes the coulombic interaction between the whole protein and the whole ligand. (hint: 2 vector "all against all").

$$TotalCoul = V_{1,1} + V_{1,2} + V_{1,3} + ... + V_{6,1} + V_{6,2} + V_{6,3};$$

Exercise

3) Write a script that:

- Computes the coulombic interaction between each ligand (ligand_01.dat, ligand_02.dat, ...) and the protein.
- Finds the ligand with the lowest coulombic interaction energy.
- Plot the energies.

