



Dash - smallest\_regex

smallest\_regex

*Summary: this document is the subject for the dash @ 42Tokyo.*

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# Chapter I

## Foreword

An hour to learn a valuable skill.  
Dive into the world of regex!

# Chapter II

## Objective

Write the smallest regular expression to validate a serial number.


# Chapter III

## Instructions

- Evaluation will be done on 42 Tokyo's Mac.
- This dash is a solo project.
- Turn in your file inside the turn-in repository.

# Chapter IV

## Exercice 00 : smallest\_regex

	Exercise 00
smallest_regex	
Turn-in directory : <i>ex00/</i>	
Files to turn in : <b>smallest_regex.txt</b>	
Allowed functions : None	

- Write the smallest regular expression that matches a valid serial number.
- A serial number has the following format: (D|H)x.x.x.x
  - The first letter indicates whether the serial number will be decimal(D) or hexadecimal(H).
  - The following numbers x must each be a value between 0 and 333(D), or 0 and 14D(H).
- Each number x is separated by periods. There must be 4 numbers x and 3 periods.
- In the case of hexadecimal, the letters will always be capitalized (A-F).
- The following examples are valid serial numbers:
  - D000.000.000.000
  - D123.0.321.333
  - D001.010.100.101
  - H000.000.000.000
  - H14D.FF.C.12
  - H01.14C.120.0F0
- Example submission:

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$>cat smallest_regex.txt  
^(?:[0-9]{1,3}\.){3}[0-9]{1,3}$
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