2. Noções básicas de programação em **Python**

2.5 - Regular Expressions and File Manipulation

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Summary

- Regular Expressions
- The re Module
- File Manipulation



Regular Expressions





Regular Expressions

A Regular Expression (or regex) is a coded pattern used for matching strings to rules specified by the programmer.

Regular expressions may be applied in many tasks, such as:

- To split or to modify strings
- To find sentences
- To pre-process text
- To identify numbers or other symbols





Regular Expressions (cont.)

Regular expressions work like a small programming language in the main code.

- For one to use REs is necessary to apply a proper syntax.
 - Use of symbols . ^ \$ * + ? { } [] \ | ()
 - o Ex. [0-9]
 - o Ex. [a-z]
 - o Ex. a{5}

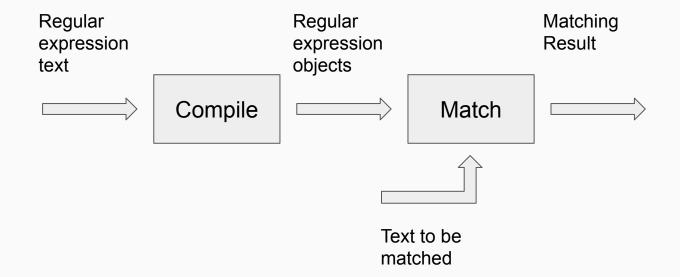
Python includes the **re** module in order to make available full regular expression functionality.

The re Module





Matching Process



The re Module

```
import re
text_to_match = 'hello world!'
pattern = re.compile(r'hello')
match = pattern.match(text_to_match)
if match:
     print(match.group())
```



re Module Functions

The re module provides the following functions¹:

- match → Match a regular expression pattern to the beginning of a string.
- *fullmatch* → Match a regular expression pattern to all of a string.
- search → Search a string for the presence of a pattern.
- sub → Substitute occurrences of a pattern found in a string.
- *subn* → Same as sub, but also return the number of substitutions made.
- $split \rightarrow Split$ a string by the occurrences of a pattern.
- findall → Find all occurrences of a pattern in a string.
- finditer → Return an iterator yielding a Match object for each match.
- compile → Compile a pattern into a Pattern object.
- purge → Clear the regular expression cache.
- escape → Backslash all non-alphanumerics in a string.





¹For more details use help(re) in the python console

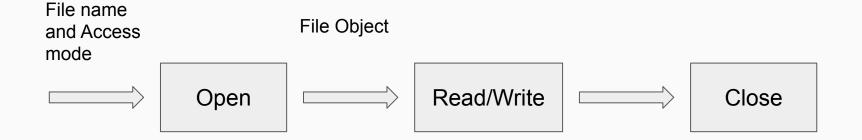
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File Manipulation



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File Access Modes

A file can be opened by using one of the following access modes:

- 'w' → Creates a new file for writing only. Overwrites the file if it already exists.
- ' $r' \rightarrow \text{Reading only.}$
- 'a' → Opens an existing file for writing. Works as 'w' if file does not exist.
- 'w+' → Creates a new file for reading and writing.
- 'r+' → Opens a file for reading and writing.
- 'a+' → Opens an existing file for reading and writing.
- 'wb', 'rb', 'ab', 'wb+', 'rb+' and 'ab+' → Same as 'w', 'r', 'a', 'w+', 'r+' and 'a+', respectively, but for binary files.

Examples

File writing

```
f = open('filename.txt', 'w')
f.write('hello world\n!')
f.close()
```

File reading

```
f = open('filename.txt', 'r')
lines = f.readlines()
for line in lines:
    print(line)
f.close()
```

Thank You!

Next: 3.1 - Overview on Linear Algebra



