

Basic Regex Problems

1 Validate a Username

- A valid username:
 - o Can only contain letters (a-z, A-Z), numbers (0-9), and underscores (_)
 - Must start with a letter
 - o Must be between 5 to 15 characters long
- Example Inputs & Outputs
- "user_123" → Valid
- X "123user" → Invalid (starts with a number)
- **X** "us" → **Invalid** (too short)

```
import java.util.regex.*;
public class UsernameValidator {
    public boolean isValidUsername(String username) {
        return username.matches("^[a-zA-Z][a-zA-Z0-9_]{4,14}$");
    }
}
```



2 Validate a License Plate Number

- License plate format: Starts with two uppercase letters, followed by four digits.
- Example: "AB1234" is valid, but "A12345" is invalid.

```
import java.util.regex.*;

public class LicensePlateValidator {
    public boolean isValidLicensePlate(String plate) {
        return plate.matches("^[A-Z]{2}\t{4}$");
    }
}
```

3 Validate a Hex Color Code

- A valid hex color:
 - o Starts with a #
 - Followed by **6 hexadecimal characters** (0-9, A-F, a-f).
- Example Inputs & Outputs
- "#FFA500" → Valid
- **V** "#ff4500" → **Valid**
- \times "#123" \rightarrow Invalid (too short)

```
import java.util.regex.*;

public class HexColorValidator {
    public boolean isValidHexColor(String color) {
        return color.matches("^#[0-9A-Fa-f]{6}$");
    }
}
```



Extraction Problems

4 Extract All Email Addresses from a Text

• Example Text:

"Contact us at support@example.com and info@company.org"

Expected Output:

support@example.com

info@company.org

```
import java.util.regex.*;
import java.util.*;

public class EmailExtractor {
    public List<String> extractEmails(String text) {
        List<String> emails = new ArrayList<>();
        Matcher matcher =
Pattern.compile("[a-zA-Z0-9._%+-]+@[a-zA-Z0-9.-]+\\.[a-zA-Z]{2,}").matcher(text);
        while (matcher.find())
        emails.add(matcher.group());
        return emails;
    }
}
```



5 Extract All Capitalized Words from a Sentence

Example Text:

"The Eiffel Tower is in Paris and the Statue of Liberty is in New York."

Expected Output:

Eiffel, Tower, Paris, Statue, Liberty, New, York

```
import java.util.regex.*;
import java.util.*;

public class CapitalizedWordExtractor {
    public List<String> extractCapitalizedWords(String text) {
        List<String> words = new ArrayList<>();
        Matcher matcher = Pattern.compile("\\b[A-Z][a-z]+\\b").matcher(text);
        while (matcher.find())
            words.add(matcher.group());
        return words;
    }
}
```

6 Extract Dates in dd/mm/yyyy Format

• Example Text:

"The events are scheduled for 12/05/2023, 15/08/2024, and 29/02/2020."

Expected Output:

12/05/2023, 15/08/2024, 29/02/2020

```
import java.util.regex.*;
import java.util.*;

public class DateExtractor {
    public List<String> extractDates(String text) {
```



```
List<String> dates = new ArrayList<>();
    Matcher matcher =
Pattern.compile("\\b\\d{2}/\\d{4}\\b").matcher(text);
    while (matcher.find())
        dates.add(matcher.group());
    return dates;
}
```

7 Extract Links from a Web Page

• Example Text:

"Visit https://www.google.com and http://example.org for more info."

Expected Output:

https://www.google.com, http://example.org

```
import java.util.regex.*;
import java.util.*;

public class LinkExtractor {
    public List<String> extractLinks(String text) {
        List<String> links = new ArrayList<>();
        Matcher matcher = Pattern.compile("https?://\\S+").matcher(text);
        while (matcher.find())
            links.add(matcher.group());
        return links;
    }
}
```

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Replace and Modify Strings

8 Replace Multiple Spaces with a Single Space

• Example Input:

```
"This is an example with multiple spaces."
```

Expected Output:

"This is an example with multiple spaces."

```
public class SpaceReplacer {
    public String replaceMultipleSpaces(String text) {
        return text.replaceAll("\\s+", " ");
    }
}
```


- Given a **list of bad words**, replace them with ****.
- Example Input:

```
"This is a damn bad example with some stupid words."
```

Expected Output:

"This is a **** bad example with some **** words."

```
import java.util.regex.*;

public class BadWordCensor {
    public String censorBadWords(String text, String[] badWords) {
        for (String word : badWords)
            text = text.replaceAll("\\b" + word + "\\b", "****");
        return text;
    }
}
```



Advanced Problems

10 Validate an IP Address

• A valid IPv4 address consists of four groups of numbers (0-255) separated by dots.

```
import java.util.regex.*;

public class IPAddressValidator {
    public boolean isValidIP(String ip) {
        return

ip.matches("((25[0-5]|2[0-4][0-9]|[01]?[0-9]?)\\.){3}(25[0-5]|2[0-4][0-9]|
[01]?[0-9][0-9]?)");
    }
}
```

1 Validate a Credit Card Number (Visa, MasterCard, etc.)

- A Visa card number starts with 4 and has 16 digits.
- A MasterCard starts with 5 and has 16 digits.

```
import java.util.regex.*;

public class CreditCardValidator {
    public boolean isValidCreditCard(String card) {
        return card.matches("^4\\d{15}$") || card.matches("^5\\d{15}$");
    }
}
```



12 Extract Programming Language Names from a Text

Example Text:

"I love Java, Python, and JavaScript, but I haven't tried Go yet."

Expected Output:

Java, Python, JavaScript, Go

B Extract Currency Values from a Text

• Example Text:

"The price is \$45.99, and the discount is 10.50."

Expected Output:

\$45.99, 10.50

```
import java.util.regex.*;
import java.util.*;

public class CurrencyExtractor {
    public List<String> extractCurrencyValues(String text) {
        List<String> values = new ArrayList<>();
```



```
Matcher matcher =
Pattern.compile("\\$?\\d+(\\.\\d{2})?").matcher(text);
    while (matcher.find())
       values.add(matcher.group());
    return values;
}
```

Hind Repeating Words in a Sentence

• Example Input:

"This is is a repeated repeated word test."

Expected Output:

is, repeated

```
import java.util.regex.*;
import java.util.*;

public class RepeatingWordFinder {
    public Set<String> findRepeatingWords(String text) {
        Set<String> repeated = new HashSet<>();
        Matcher matcher = Pattern.compile("\\b(\\w+)\\s+\\1\\b").matcher(text);
        while (matcher.find())
            repeated.add(matcher.group(1));
        return repeated;
    }
}
```



15 Validate a Social Security Number (SSN)

• Example Input:

```
"My SSN is 123-45-6789."
```

- Expected Output:
- "123-45-6789" is **valid**
- **X** "123456789" is **invalid**

```
import java.util.regex.*;

public class SSNValidator {
    public boolean isValidSSN(String ssn) {
        return ssn.matches("\\d{3}-\\d{2}-\\d{4}");
    }
}
```