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In [1]: 1. What **is** the name of the feature responsible **for** generating Regex objects?
 Answer: `re.compile()` **is** the feature responsible **for** generation of Regex object

```
import re
x = re.compile("some_random_pattern")
type(x)
re.compile('some_random_pattern')
```

In [3]: 2. Why do raw strings often appear **in** Regex objects?
 Ans: Regular expressions use the backslash character (`'\'`) to indicate special characters (special sequences) to be used without invoking their special meaning of the same character **for** the same purpose **in** string literals. Hence, Raw string backslashes do **not** have to be escaped.

In [4]: 3. What **is** the **return** value of the `search()` method?
 Ans: The **return** value of `re.search(pattern,string)` method **is** a match object **if** the pattern **is** observed **in** the string **else** it returns a **None**

```
import re
match = re.search('i','Ineuron Full Stack Data Science Program', flags=re.IGNORECASE)
print('Output:',match)
match = re.search('X','Ineuron Full Stack Data Science Program', flags=re.IGNORECASE)
print('Output:',match)
```

Output: <re.Match object; span=(0, 1), match='I'>
 Output: None

In [5]: 4. From a Match item, how do you get the actual strings that match the pattern?
 Ans: For Matched items `group()` methods returns actual strings that match the pattern

```
import re
match = re.search('ineuron','Ineuron Full Stack Data Science Program', flags=re.IGNORECASE)
print(match.group())
```

Output: Ineuron

In [6]: 5. In the regex which created **from** the `r'(\d\d\d)-(\d\d\d-\d\d\d\d)'`, what does group zero cover? Group 2? Group 1?
 Ans: In the Regex `r'(\d\d\d)-(\d\d\d-\d\d\d\d)'` the zero group covers the entire string, the first group covers `(\d\d\d)` **and** the second group covers `(\d\d\d-\d\d\d\d)`

Example Program

```
import re
phoneNumRegex = re.compile(r'(\d\d\d)-(\d\d\d-\d\d\d\d)')
mo = phoneNumRegex.search('My number is 415-555-4242.')
print(mo.groups()) # Prints all groups in a tuple format
print(mo.group()) # Always returns the fully matched string
print(mo.group(1)) # Returns the first group
print(mo.group(2)) # Returns the second group
```

```
('415', '555-4242')
415-555-4242
415
555-4242
```

In [7]: 6. In standard expression syntax, parentheses **and** intervals have distinct meaning. How can you tell a regex that you want it to fit real parentheses **and** period? Answer: The `\.` `\(` **and** `\)` escape characters **in** the raw string passed to `re.compile` will match actual parenthesis characters

Example Program

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phoneNumRegex = re.compile(r'(\d\d\d) (\d\d\d-\d\d\d\d)')
mo = phoneNumRegex.search('My phone number is (415) 555-4242.')
```

```
(415) 555-4242
```

In [8]: 7. The `findall()` method returns a string **list** **or** a **list** of string tuples. What causes it to **return** one of the two options? Ans: If the regex pattern has no groups, a **list** of strings matched **is** returned if the regex pattern has groups, a **list** of **tuple** of strings **is** returned.

Example Program

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import re
phoneNumRegex = re.compile(r'(\d\d\d) (\d\d\d-\d\d\d\d)')
mo = phoneNumRegex.findall('My phone number is (415) 555-4242.')
```

Example Program

```
import re
phoneNumRegex = re.compile(r'\d{3}-\d{3}-\d{4}')
mo = phoneNumRegex.findall('My number is 415-555-4242.')
```

```
[('415', '555-4242')]
['415-555-4242']
```

In []: 8. In standard expressions, what does the `|` character mean?

In [9]: 9. In regular expressions, what does the `?` character stand **for**? Ans: In regular Expressions, `?` characters represents zero **or** one match of the preceding group

Example Program

```
import re
match_1 = re.search("Bat(wo)?man", "Batman returns")
print(match_1)
match_2 = re.search("Bat(wo)?man", "Batwoman returns")
```

```
<re.Match object; span=(0, 6), match='Batman'>
<re.Match object; span=(0, 8), match='Batwoman'>
```

In [10]: 10. In regular expressions, what **is** the difference between the `+` **and** `*` characters? Ans: In Regular Expressions, `*` Represents Zero or more occurrences of the preceding group whereas `+` represents one **or** more occurrences of the preceding group.

```
# for Example
import re
match_1 = re.search("Bat(wo)*man", "Batman returns")
print(match_1)
match_2 = re.search("Bat(wo)+man", "Batman returns")
<re.Match object; span=(0, 6), match='Batman'>
None
```

In [11]: 11. What **is** the difference between {4} **and** {4,5} **in** regular expression?
 Ans: {4} means that its preceeding group should repeat 4 times. where **as** {4,5} that its preceeding group should repeat minimum 4 times **and** maximum 5 time

```
# for example
import re
haRegex = re.compile(r'(Ha){3}')
mo1 = haRegex.search('HaHaHa')
mo2 = haRegex.search('Ha')
print(mo1.group())
```

HaHaHa
 None

In []: 12. What do you mean by the \d, \w, **and** \s shorthand character classes signify
 Ans: \d, \w **and** \s are special sequences **in** regular expresssions **in** python:

- 1) \w - Matches a word character equivalent to [a-zA-Z0-9_]
- 2) \d - Matches digit character equivalent to [0-9]

In []: 13. What do means by \D, \W, **and** \S shorthand character classes signify **in** reg
 Ans: \D, \W **and** \S are special sequences **in** regular expresssions **in** python:

- 1) \W - Matches **any** non-alphanumeric character equivalent to [^a-zA-Z0-9_]
- 2) \D - Matches **any** non-digit character, this **is** equivalent to the **set class** [

In []: 14. What **is** the difference between .*? **and** .*?
 Ans: .* **is** a Greedy mode, which returns the longest string that meets the cond
 Whereas .*? **is** a non greedy mode which returns the shortest string that me

In []: 15. What **is** the syntax **for** matching both numbers **and** lowercase letters **with** a
 Ans: The Syntax **is** Either [a-z0-9] **or** [0-9a-z]

In []: 16. What **is** the procedure **for** making a normal expression **in** regex case insensi
 Ans: We can **pass** re.IGNORECASE **as** a flag to make a noraml expression case inse

In []: 17. What does the . character normally match?
 What does it match **if** re.DOTALL **is** passed **as** 2nd argument **in** re.compile()?
 Ans: Dot . character matches everything **in** input **except** newline character .
 By passing re.DOTALL **as** a flag to re.compile(), you can make the dot char including the newline character.

In [12]: 18. If numReg = re.compile(r'\d+'), what will numRegex.sub('X', '11 drummers, five rings, 4 hen') **return**?
 Answer: The Ouput will be 'X drummers, X pipers, five rings, X hen'

```
#Example
import re
numReg = re.compile(r'\d+')
numReg.sub('X', '11 drummers, 10 pipers, five rings, 4 hen')
```

Out[12]: 'X drummers, X pipers, five rings, X hen'

In [13]: 19. What does passing re.VERBOSE as the 2nd argument to re.compile() allow to
Ans: re.VERBOSE will allow to add whitespace and comments to string passed to

```
# Without Using VERBOSE
regex_email = re.compile(r'^([a-z0-9_\. -]+)@([0-9a-z_\. -]+)\.([a-z_\.]{2, 6})$',

# Using VERBOSE
regex_email = re.compile(r"""
    ^([a-z0-9_\. -]+)           # local Part like us
    @                           # single @ sign
    ([0-9a-z_\. -]+)           # Domain name like g
    \.                           # single Dot .
    ([a-z]{2,6})$              # Top level Domain
    """, re.VERBOSE | re.IGNORECASE)
```

In [14]: 20. How would you write a regex that match a number with comma for every three
It must match the given following:
'42', '1,234', '6,368,745' but not the following: '12,34,567' (which has only two commas)
'1234' (which lacks commas)

```
# Example
import re
pattern = r'^\d{1,3}(\,\d{3})*$'
pagex = re.compile(pattern)
for ele in ['42', '1,234', '6,368,745', '12,34,567', '1234']:
    print('Output:', ele, '->', pagex.search(ele))
```

Output: 42 -> <re.Match object; span=(0, 2), match='42'>
Output: 1,234 -> <re.Match object; span=(0, 5), match='1,234'>
Output: 6,368,745 -> <re.Match object; span=(0, 9), match='6,368,745'>
Output: 12,34,567 -> None
Output: 1234 -> None

In [15]: 21. How would you write a regex that matches the full name of someone whose last name is Watanabe
You can assume that the first name that comes before it will always be one capital letter. The regex must match the following:

```
'Haruto Watanabe'
'Alice Watanabe'
'RoboCop Watanabe'
```

but not the following:

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'haruto Watanabe' (where the first name is not capitalized)
'Mr. Watanabe' (where the preceding word has a nonletter character)
'Watanabe' (which has no first name)
'Haruto watanabe' (where Watanabe is not capitalized)
```

Ans: pattern = r'[A-Z]{1}[a-z]*\sWatanabe'

```
# For Example
import re
pattern = r'[A-Z]{1}[a-z]*\sWatanabe'
namex = re.compile(pattern)
for name in ['Haruto Watanabe', 'Alice Watanabe', 'RoboCop Watanabe', 'haruto Wat
            'Mr. Watanabe', 'Watanabe', 'Haruto watanabe']:
    print('Output: ', name, '->', namex.search(name))
```

Output: Haruto Watanabe -> <re.Match object; span=(0, 15), match='Haruto Wat
anabe'>
Output: Alice Watanabe -> <re.Match object; span=(0, 14), match='Alice Watan
abe'>
Output: RoboCop Watanabe -> <re.Match object; span=(4, 16), match='Cop Watan
abe'>
Output: haruto Watanabe -> None
Output: Mr. Watanabe -> None
Output: Watanabe -> None
Output: Haruto watanabe -> None

In [16]: 22. How would you write a regex that matches a sentence where the first word **i**
Bob, **or** Carol; the second word **is** either eats, pets, **or** throws; the third w
or baseballs; **and** the sentence ends **with** a period? This regex should be ca
It must match the following:

```
'Alice eats apples.'  
'Bob pets cats.'  
'Carol throws baseballs.'  
'Alice throws Apples.'  
'BOB EATS CATS.'
```

but **not** the following:

```
'RoboCop eats apples.'  
'ALICE THROWS FOOTBALLS.'  
'Carol eats 7 cats.'
```

Ans: pattern = r'(Alice|Bob|Carol)\s(eats|pets|throws)\s(apples|cats|baseballs

```
# Example
import re
pattern = r'(Alice|Bob|Carol)\s(eats|pets|throws)\s(apples|cats|baseballs)\s.'  
caseX = re.compile(pattern, re.IGNORECASE)  
for ele in ['Alice eats apples.', 'Bob pets cats.', 'Carol throws baseballs.'  
, 'Alice throws Apples.', 'BOB EATS CATS.', 'RoboCop eats apples.'  
, 'ALICE THROWS FOOTBALLS.', 'Carol eats 7 cats.']:
    print(caseX.search(ele))
```

```
Output: Alice eats apples. -> <re.Match object; span=(0, 18), match='Alice e
ats apples.'>
```

In []: