#### **SYNTAX**

text[braces] and (more) text[braces]	text outside [] matches itself
[op1:param op2 op3 matcher matcher] or [matchers1   matchers2  ]	braces contain 0+ ops then matchers, or  -separated matchers (matches one of)
<pre>['text' #tab [   "more text"   ""] [#b=[#digits   ' bottles of beer      on the wall ']   #b #b #b #b #b]</pre>	Matchers can be 'text', #macros, [braces], or macro definitions

#### **ANCHORS**

[#start_line] [#sl] [#end_line] [#el]	Start/end of line (multiline mode) or string
[#start_string][#ss] [#end_string] [#es]	Start/end of string
[#word_boundary] [#wb] [not #word_boundary]	(Not) start/end of word (defined as [1+ #token_char])

# **CHARACTERS AND WORDS**

[#any] [#a]	Any character (multiline mode) / except newline
[#space] [#s]	Space, tab, line break, etc'
[#digit] [#d]	One digit (0-9)
[#letter] [#l] [#uppercase] [#uc] [#lowercase] [#lc]	One letter / only uppercase / only lowercase
[#token_char] [#tc]	One letter or digit or underscore ( _ )
<pre>[not #space][n #s] [not #digit] [not [#uc #d '.']]</pre>	Any character but
[#digits] [#ds] [#letters] [#ls]	One or more of
[#token] [#tc]	1+ letters/digits/ underscores, can't start with digit
[#integer] [#int]	,-1,0,110,11,
[#decimal]	0.0, 1.5, -20.536,

[#float]	0, +1.,5, 1.2, 3e6
[#af] [#37] [#-128127]	Any character / number between
[#newline] [#nl]	Newline (cf. #nc #cr #crlf)
[#tab] [#t]	Tab character

## QUANTIFIERS

[ <b>0+</b> #digit] [ <b>1-7</b> not #space] [ <b>3</b> [ <b>3</b> ['X' '0' '.'] #newline]]	Repeats the matcher(s) <b>n</b> or more / between <b>n</b> and <b>m</b> times
[1+:fewest	Choose shortest repetition that matches pattern (default is longest)
<pre>[comment "hello"] [0 #experiment]</pre>	Everything in the braces is ignored

## **GROUPS**

<pre>[capture 0+ #letter] [c [#letters #int]]</pre>	Capture the matched text
My name is [c:name #letters]	Named capture
[[c 1+ #d] [c 1+ #l] [repeat:2]]	Matches exact repetition of 2nd captured group
<pre>Name: [c:name #ls] [#nl]Hi, [ repeat:name]!</pre>	Matches exact repetition of named captured group

### **ASSERTIONS**

<pre>[lookahead 5+ #l ][c:first_letter #l] [la 7 #d][c #d]</pre>	Matches only if the next characters will match expression but does not consume them
[lookbehind #nl]1) [lb "Loves me " ][c ["too"   "not"]]	Matches only if the last characters matched expression, must be constant length
<pre>[not lookahead   0+ #any "failed"] [not lookbehind #d] [n la][n lb]</pre>	Matches <i>unless</i> next/last characters match expression