

Regular Expressions Sheet

Source: <https://github.com/tartley/python-regex-cheatsheet/blob/master/cheatsheet.rst>

Additional Source: <https://docs.python.org/2/Library/re.html>

`\` escapes special characters.
`.` matches any character
`^` matches start of the string (or line if MULTILINE)
`$` matches end of the string (or line if MULTILINE)
`[5b-d]` matches any chars '5', 'b', 'c' or 'd'
`[^a-c6]` matches any char except 'a', 'b', 'c' or '6'
`R|S` matches either regex R or regex S.
`()` Creates a capture group, and indicates precedence.

`*` 0 or more (append ? for non-greedy)
`+` 1 or more "
`?` 0 or 1 "
`{m}` exactly 'm'
`{m,n}` from m to n. 'm' defaults to 0, 'n' to infinity
`{m,n}?` from m to n, as few as possible
`{,1}` is the same as using ?
`{0,}` is the same as using *
`{1,}` is the same as using +

`\A` Start of string
`\b` Matches empty string at word boundary (between `\w` and `\W`)
`\B` Matches empty string not at word boundary
`\d` Digit

`\D` Non-digit

`\s` Whitespace: [`\t\n\r\f\v`], more if LOCALE or UNICODE

`\S` Non-whitespace

`\w` Alphanumeric: [0-9a-zA-Z_], or is LOCALE dependant

`\W` Non-alphanumeric

`\Z` End of string

`\g<id>` Match previous named or numbered group,
e.g. `\g<0>` or `\g<name>`

`\a` ASCII Bell (BEL)

`\f` ASCII Formfeed

`\n` ASCII Linefeed

`\r` ASCII Carriage return

`\t` ASCII Tab

`\v` ASCII Vertical tab

`\\` A single backslash

`\xHH` Two digit hex character

`\000` Three digit octal char
(or use a preceding zero, e.g. `\0`, `\09`)

`\DD` Decimal number 1 to 99, matches previous
numbered group

`(?iLmsux)` Matches empty string, sets re.X flags

`(?:...)` Non-capturing version of regular parentheses

`(?P<name>...)` Creates a named capturing group.

`(?P=name)` Matches whatever matched previously named group

`(?#...)` A comment; ignored.

<code>(?=...)</code>	Lookahead assertion: Matches without consuming
<code>(?!...)</code>	Negative lookahead assertion
<code>(?<=...)</code>	Lookbehind assertion: Matches if preceded
<code>(?<!...)</code>	Negative lookbehind assertion
<code>(?(id)yes no)</code>	Match 'yes' if group 'id' matched, else 'no'

<code>re.I == re.IGNORECASE</code>	Ignore case
<code>re.L == re.LOCALE</code>	Make <code>\w</code> , <code>\b</code> , and <code>\s</code> locale dependent
<code>re.M == re.MULTILINE</code>	Multiline
<code>re.S == re.DOTALL</code>	Dot matches all (including newline)
<code>re.U == re.UNICODE</code>	Make <code>\w</code> , <code>\b</code> , <code>\d</code> , and <code>\s</code> unicode dependent
<code>re.X == re.VERBOSE</code>	Verbose (unescaped whitespace in pattern is ignored, and '#' marks comment lines)

`compile(pattern[, flags])` -> `RegexObject`

`match(pattern, string[, flags])` -> `MatchObject`

`search(pattern, string[, flags])` -> `MatchObject`

`findall(pattern, string[, flags])` -> list of strings

`finditer(pattern, string[, flags])` -> iter of `MatchObjects`

`split(pattern, string[, maxsplit, flags])` -> list of strings

`sub(pattern, repl, string[, count, flags])` -> string

`subn(pattern, repl, string[, count, flags])` -> (string, int)

`escape(string)` -> string

`purge()` # the re cache