

Capturing

STRING MANIPULATION WITH STRINGR IN R



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Capturing

```
ANY_CHAR %R% "a"
```

```
<regex> .a
```

```
capture(ANY_CHAR) %R% "a"
```

```
<regex> (.)a
```

```
str_extract(c("Fat", "cat"),  
  pattern = ANY_CHAR %R% "a")
```

```
"Fa" "ca"
```

```
str_extract(c("Fat", "cat"),  
  pattern = capture(ANY_CHAR) %R% "a")
```

```
"Fa" "ca"
```

str_match()

```
str_match(c("Fat", "cat"),  
          pattern = capture(ANY_CHAR) %R% "a")
```

```
      [,1] [,2]  
[1,] "Fa"  "F"  
[2,] "ca"  "c"
```

str_match()

```
pattern <- DOLLAR %R%  
          DGT %R% optional(DGT) %R%  
          DOT %R%  
          dgt(2)  
  
str_view(c("$5.50", "$32.00"), pattern = pattern)
```

\$5.50

\$32.00

str_match()

```
pattern <- DOLLAR %R%  
          capture(DGT %R% optional(DGT)) %R%  
          DOT %R%  
          capture(dgt(2))  
  
str_match(c("$5.50", "$32.00"), pattern = pattern)
```

```
      [,1]      [,2] [,3]  
[1,] "$5.50"    "5"   "50"  
[2,] "$32.00"   "32"   "00"
```

Non-capturing groups

```
or("dog", "cat")
```

```
<regex> (?:dog|cat)
```

doglcat

Non-capturing groups

```
or("dog", "cat")
```

```
<regex> (?:dog|cat)
```

doglcat

Need parentheses to
distinguish

(doglcat)
do(glc)at

```
or("dog", "cat", capture = TRUE)
```

```
<regex> (dog|cat)
```

```
capture(or("dog", "cat"))
```

```
<regex> ((?:dog|cat))
```

Let's practice!

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Backreferences

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Backreferences

REF1

```
<regex> \1
```

REF2

```
<regex> \2
```

In a pattern

```
SPC %R%  
one_or_more(WRD) %R%  
SPC
```

In a pattern

```
SPC %R%  
capture(one_or_more(WRD)) %R%  
SPC %R%  
REF1
```

```
str_view("Paris in the the spring",  
  SPC %R%  
  capture(one_or_more(WRD)) %R%  
  SPC %R%  
  REF1)
```

Paris in the the spring

In a replacement

```
str_replace("Paris in the the spring",  
  pattern  = SPC %R%  
            capture(one_or_more(WRD)) %R%  
            SPC %R%  
            REF1,  
  replacement = str_c(" ", REF1))
```

```
"Paris in the spring"
```

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Unicode and pattern matching

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Unicode

- Associates each character with a code point



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Character	Code Point
a	61

Unicode

- Associates each character with a code point

Character	Code Point
a	61
μ	3BC

Unicode

- Associates each character with a code point

Character	Code Point
a	61
μ	3BC
😊	1F600

Unicode in R

```
"\u03BC"
```

μ

```
"\U03BC"
```

μ

```
writeLines("\U0001F44F")
```

🐼

Unicode in R

```
as.hexmode(utf8ToInt("a"))
```

```
"61"
```

```
as.hexmode(utf8ToInt("μ"))
```

```
"3bc"
```

Matching Unicode

```
x <- "Normal(\u03BC = 0, \u03C3 = 1)"  
x
```

```
Normal(  $\mu$  = 0,  $\sigma$  = 1)
```

```
"str_view(x, pattern = "\u03BC")
```

```
Normal( $\mu$  = 0,  $\sigma$  = 1)
```

- <http://unicode.org/charts>

Matching Unicode groups

- Regular expression
 - Use `\p` followed by `{name}`
- rebus
 - `str_view_all(x, greek_and_coptic())`

```
Normal( $\mu$  = 0,  $\sigma$  = 1)
```

- `?Unicode`
- `?unicode_property`
- `?unicode_general_category`

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