

finding_metacharacters_solution

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1 TODO: Find All The MetaCharacters

In the cell below, we have a string that contains all the metacharacters. Write a single regular expression to check that you can match all the metacharacters using a backslash, and save the regular expression object in a variable called `regex`. Then use the `.finditer()` method to search the `sample_text` string for the given regular expression. Then, write a loop to print all the matches found by the `.finditer()` method. Finally, use the `match.span()` method to print the match from the `sample_text` string.

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In [1]: # Import re module
import re

# Sample text
sample_text = '. ^ $ * + ? { } [ ] \ | ( )'

# Create a regular expression object with the regular expression
regex = re.compile(r'\. \^ \$ \* \+ \? \{ \} \[ \] \\ \| \( \)')

# Search the sample_text for the regular expression
matches = regex.finditer(sample_text)

# Print all the matches
for match in matches:
    print(match)

    # Using the span information from the match, print the match from the original string
    print('\nMatch from the original text:', sample_text[match.span()[0]:match.span()[1]])

<_sre.SRE_Match object; span=(0, 27), match='. ^ $ * + ? { } [ ] \| ( )'>

Match from the original text: . ^ $ * + ? { } [ ] \ | ( )
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2 TODO: Find The Price

In the cell below, write a regular expression that matches the price of the coat bought by John and save the regular expression object in a variable called `regex`. Then use the `.finditer()` method to

search the `sample_text` string for the given regular expression. Then, write a loop to print all the matches found by the `.finditer()` method. Finally, use the `match.span()` method to print the match from the `sample_text` string.

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In [2]: # Import re module
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import re
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# Sample text
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sample_text = 'John bought a winter coat for $25.99 dollars.'
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# Create a regular expression object with the regular expression
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regex = re.compile(r'\$25\.99')
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```
# Search the sample_text for the regular expression
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matches = regex.finditer(sample_text)
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# Print all the matches
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for match in matches:
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    print(match)
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    # Using the span information from the match, print the match from the original string
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    print('\nMatch from the original text:', sample_text[match.span()[0]:match.span()[1]])
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<_sre.SRE_Match object; span=(30, 36), match='$25.99'>
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Match from the original text: $25.99
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