



Tutorial Lexical Analysis

Question 1.

Use ANTLR to write regular expressions describing a Pascal **identifier** that must begin with a lowercase letter ('a' to 'z'), but may continue with many characters which are lowercase letter or digit ('0' to '9').

Question 2.

A *regular definition* is used to name a regular expression and then the name is used in another regular expression. For example, given the following regular definition:

```
letter      [a-z]
manyletter  letter+
```

In ANTLR, to define a *regular definition*, we use **fragment** as the following example:

```
fragment Letter: [a-z];
Manyletter      Letter+ ;
```

Use *fragment* in ANTLR to rewrite the regular expression for the above token Identifier

Question 3.

Use ANTLR to write regular expressions describing the following Pascal tokens:

- a) For a number to be taken as "**real**" (or "floating point") format, it must either have a decimal point, or use scientific notation. For example, 1.0, 1e-12, 1.0e-12, 0.000000001 are all valid reals. At least one digit must exist on either side of a decimal point.
- b) **Strings** are made up of a sequence of characters between single quotes: 'string'. The single quote itself can appear as two single quotes back to back in a string: 'isn"t'.

Question 4.

Find regular expressions and state diagrams of the equivalent NFA for each of the following descriptions.

- a) $\{a^n b^m | n \geq 0, m > 2\}$
- b) $\{a^n b^m | n + m > 0, n + m \text{ is even}\}$
- c) $\{a^n b | n \bmod 3 = 1\}$