

Regular Expressions

TOTAL POINTS 10

1.Question 1

Which of the following regular expressions would extract 'uct.ac.za' from this string using `re.findall`?

From `stephen.marquard@uct.ac.za Sat Jan 5 09:14:16 2008`

- ☐ `@\S+`
- ☐ `F.+:`
- ☒ `@(\S+)`
- ☐ `..\S+..`

1 point

2.Question 2

Which of the following is the way we match the "start of a line" in a regular expression?

- ☒ `^`
- ☐ `str.startswith()`
- ☐ `\linestart`
- ☐ `String.startsWith()`
- ☐ `variable[0:1]`

1 point

3.Question 3

What would the following mean in a regular expression? `[a-z0-9]`

- ☐ Match an entire line as long as it is lowercase letters or digits
- ☒ Match a lowercase letter or a digit
- ☐ Match anything but a lowercase letter or digit
- ☐ Match any text that is surrounded by square braces
- ☐ Match any number of lowercase letters followed by any number of digits

1 point

4.Question 4

What is the type of the return value of the `re.findall()` method?

- ☐ An integer
- ☐ A boolean
- ☐ A string
- ☒ A list of strings
- ☐ A single character

1 point

5.Question 5

What is the "wild card" character in a regular expression (i.e., the character that matches any character)?

- ☒ .
- ☐ ^
- ☐ ?
- ☐ \$
- ☐ *
- ☐ +

1 point

6.Question 6

What is the difference between the "+" and "*" character in regular expressions?

- ☒ The "+" matches at least one character and the "*" matches zero or more characters
- ☐ The "+" matches upper case characters and the "*" matches lowercase characters
- ☐ The "+" matches the beginning of a line and the "*" matches the end of a line
- ☐ The "+" matches the actual plus character and the "*" matches any character

☐ The "+" indicates "start of extraction" and the "*" indicates the "end of extraction"

1 point

7.Question 7

What does the "[0-9]+" match in a regular expression?

- ☐ Any number of digits at the beginning of a line
- ☐ Several digits followed by a plus sign
- ☐ Any mathematical expression
- ☒ One or more digits
- ☐ Zero or more digits

1 point

8.Question 8

What does the following Python sequence print out?

```
x = 'From: Using the : character'  
y = re.findall('^F.+:', x)  
print(y)
```

- ☒ ['From: Using the :']
- ☐ ['From:']
- ☐ ^F.+:
- ☐ From:
- ☐ :

1 point

9.Question 9

What character do you add to the "+" or "*" to indicate that the match is to be done in a non-greedy manner?

- ☐ ^
- ☐ **
- ☒ ?
- ☐ \$
- ☐ ++

☐ \g

1 point

10.Question 10

Given the following line of text:

From stephen.marquard@uct.ac.za Sat Jan 5 09:14:16 2008

What would the regular expression '\S+?@\S+' match?

- ☒ stephen.marquard@uct.ac.za
- ☐ marquard@uct
- ☐ \@\
- ☐ From
- ☐ d@uct.ac.za

1 point