Regular Expressions Syntax

- ^ Start of string
- \$ End of string
- Any single character
- (a|b) a or b
- (...) Group section
- [abc] In range (a, b or c)
- [^abc] Not in range
- \s White space
- a? Zero or one of a
- a* Zero or more of a
- a*? Zero or more, ungreedy
- a+ One or more of a
- a+? One or more, ungreedy
- a{3} Exactly 3 of a
- a{3,} 3 or more of a
- a{,6} Up to 6 of a
- a{3,6} 3 to 6 of a
- a{3,6}? 3 to 6 of a, ungreedy
- \ Escape character

[:punct:] Any punctuation symbol

[:space:] Any space character

[:blank:] Space or tab

Server Variables: HTTP Headers

%{HTTP USER AGENT}

%{HTTP REFERER}

%{HTTP COOKIE}

%{HTTP_FORWARDED}

%{HTTP_HOST}

%{HTTP_PROXY_CONNECTION}

%{HTTP ACCEPT}

Server Variables: Server Internals

%{DOCUMENT_ROOT}

%{SERVER ADMIN}

%{SERVER NAME}

%{SERVER ADDR}

%{SERVER_PORT}

%{SERVER_PROTOCOL}

%{SERVER_SOFTWARE}

Useful regular expression tester at: http://regexpal.com/

Sample Rule: Site Moved

Site moved permanently

RewriteCond %{HTTP_HOST} ^www.domain.io\$ [NC]

RewriteRule ^(.*)\$ http://www.domain2.io/\$1 [R=301,L]

Rewrites domain.io to domain2.io

Sample Rule: Temporary Page Move

Page has moved temporarily

RewriteRule ^page.html\$ new_page.html [R,NC,L]

Rewrites domain.com/page.html to domain.com/new_page.html

Sample Rule: Nice URLs

Nice URLs (no query string)

RewriteRule ^([A-Za-z0-9-]+)/?\$ stuff.php?name=\$1 [L]

Rewrites domain.com/category-name-1/ to domain.io/stuff.php?name-=category-name-1

Server Variables: Special

%{API_VERSION}

%{THE_REQUEST}

%{REQUEST URI}

%{REQUEST_FILENAME}

%{IS_SUBREQ}

%{HTTPS}

Server Variables: Request

%{REMOTE_ADDR}

%{REMOTE HOST}

%{REMOTE_PORT}

%{REMOTE_USER}

%{REMOTE_IDENT}

%{REQUEST_METHOD}

%{SCRIPT FILENAME}

%{PATH INFO}

%{QUERY_STRING}

%{AUTH_TYPE}

Server Variables: Time

%{TIME_YEAR}

%{TIME_MON}

%{TIME_DAY}

 $%{TIME_HOUR}$

%{TIME MIN}

%{TIME_SEC}

%{TIME_WDAY}

%{TIME}

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RewriteRule Flags

C Chained with next rule
CO=cookie Set specified cookie

E=var:value Set environmental variable "var" to "value"

F Forbidden (403 header)
G Gone - no longer exists

H=handler Set handler

L Last - stop processing rules

N Next - continue processing

NC Case insensitive

NE Do not escape output
NS Ignore if subrequest

P Proxy

PT Pass through

R[=code] Redirect to new URL, with optional code (see below)

QSA Append query string
S=x Skip next x rules
T=mime-type Set mime type

RewriteCond Flags

NC Case insensitive

OR Combine with next rule using 'OR' instead of the default of 'AND'

Redirection Header Codes

301 Moved permanently

302 Moved temporarily (default)

Directives

RewriteEngine RewriteMap
RewriteOptions RewriteBase
RewriteLog RewriteCond
RewriteLogLevel RewriteRule

RewriteLock