

Today we'll talk about recursion in regular expressions

## Inspired by

Parsing JSON with a single regex

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http://blogs.perl.org/users/brian\_d\_foy
/2013/10/parsing-json-with-a-single-regex.html

and Buddy Burden

http://blogs.perl.org/users/buddy\_burden
/2013/06/slideshows-in-vroom-so-noted.html

Actually I am delighted by Brian D Foy as He plays with regexes

Here we know that% \$ + this hash contains named

brackets

```
use v5.18;
$_ = <<'HERE';
Out "Top 'Middle "Bottom" Middle' Out"
HERE
say "Matched [$+{said}]!" if m/
           (?<said>
                                 #$1
           (?<quote>['"])
                  (?:
                      [^"]++
                      (?R)
           \g{quote}
           (?{say "Inside regex: $+{said}"})
           /x;
```

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say "Matched [$+{said}]!" if m/
         (?(DEFINE)
             (?<QUOTE> ['"])
             (?<NOT_QUOTE> [^'"])
         (?<said>
         (?<quote>(?&QUOTE))
                 (?:
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use v5.18;
$_ = <<'HERE';
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my @matches;
say "Matched [$+{said}]!" if m/
         (?(DEFINE)
             (?<QUOTE> ['"])
             (?<NOT_QUOTE> [^'"])
         (?<said>
         (?<quote>(?&QUOTE))
                     (?&NOT_QUOTE)++
                     (?R)
          \g{quote}
         (?{ push @matches, $^N })
         /x;
say "\n".join '|',@matches;
```

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HERE
my @matches;
say "Matched!" if m/
         (?(DEFINE)
             (?<QUOTE_MARK> ['"])
             (?<NOT_QUOTE_MARK> [^'"])
             (?<QUOTE>
                       (?<quote>(?&QUOTE_MARK))
                       (?:
                            (?&NOT_QUOTE_MARK)++
                            (?&QUOTE)
                       \g{quote}
          (?{ push @matches, $^N })
   (?&QUOTE)
         /x;
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             (?<QUOTE>
                      (?<quote>(?&QUOTE_MARK))
                      (?:
                            (?&NOT_QUOTE_MARK)++
                            (?&QUOTE)
                      \g{quote}
          (?{ [ @{$^R}, $^N ] })
   (?&QUOTE) (?{ @matches=@{ $^R } })
         /x;
```

```
It is a dsx file:
BEGIN HEADER
   CharacterSet "CP1251"
   ExportingTool "IBM Websphere DataStage Export"
   ServerName "YAPC"
   ToolInstanceID "Russia"
END HEADER
BEGIN DSJOB
   Identifier "Parse DSX"
   DateModified "2024-09-08"
   TimeModified "13.03.02"
   BEGIN DSRECORD
      Identifier "ROOT"
      OLEType "CJobDefn"
      Readonly "0"
      Name "Parse DSX"
      ControlAfterSubr "0"
      Parameters "CParameters"
      MetaBag "CMetaProperty"
      BEGIN DSSUBRECORD
         Owner "APT"
         Name "AdvancedRuntimeOptions"
         Value "#DSProjectARTOptions#"
      END DSSUBRECORD
      BEGIN DSSUBRECORD
         Owner "APT"
         Name "ClientCodePage"
         Value "1251"
      END DSSUBRECORD
```

```
NULLIndicatorPosition "0"
     OrchestrateCode =+=+=+=
#### STAGE: T201
## Operator
transform
## Operator options
-flag run
-name 'Russia_YAPC_Ryasan_2015'
## General options
[ident('T201'); jobmon_ident('T201')]
## Inputs
0< [] 'Ryazan_client:L201.v'</pre>
## Outputs
0> [] 'T201:L01.v'
1> [] 'T201:L202.v'
=+=+=+=
     IsTemplate "0"
     NLSLocale ",,,,"
     JobType "3"
     ValidationStatus "0"
     RecordPerformanceResults "0"
  END DSRECORD
END DSJOB
```

```
use Modern::Perl;
use File::Slurp qw(read_file write_file);
use Data::Dumper gw(Dumper);
my $filename = 'short_example.dsx';
my $data = read_file($filename);
my $header_and_job = split_by_header_and_job($data);
my $header_fields = split_fields_by_new_line( $header_and_job->{header} );
say Dumper $header_fields;
sub split_by_header_and_job {
    my $data = shift;
    local $/ = ''; # Paragraph mode
    my %header_and_job = ();
    my @fields = ();
    #@fields = (
    $data =~ /
(?<header>
BEGIN[]HEADER
.*?
END[ ]HEADER
.*?
(?<job>
BEGIN[ ]DSJOB
.*?
END[ ]DSJOB )
```

```
/xsg
    %header_and_job = %+;
    return \%header_and_job;
}
sub split_fields_by_new_line {
    my (\$curr\_record) = @\_;
    my %fields_and_values = ();
    my @fields
                           = ();
    while (
        $curr_record =~ m/
        (?<name>\w+)[]"(?<value>.*?)(?<!\\)"|
        ((?<name>\w+)[]\Q=+=+=+E
        (?<value>.*?)
        \0=+=+=\E)
        /xsq
        my $name = $+{name};
my $value = $+{value};
        my %hash_value = ();
        push @fields, \%hash_value;
    return \@fields;
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    my %fields_and_values = ();
                          = ();
    my @fields
    while (
        $curr_record =~ m/
         (?(DEFINE)
             (?<QUOTE> ["])
             (?<LONG_QUOTE> \Q=+=+=+E)
             (?<ALL_QUOTE> &QUOTE|&LONG_QUOTE)
        (?<name>\w+)[]
        (?&QUOTE)
        (?<value>.*?)
        (?<!\\)
        (?&QUOTE)
        ((?<name>\w+)[]
        (?&LONG_QUOTE)
        (?<value>.*?)
        (?&LONG_QUOTE)
        /xsg
```

```
{
    my $name = $+{name};
    my $value = $+{value};
    my %hash_value = ();
    $hash_value{$name} = $value;
    push @fields, \%hash_value;
}
    return \@fields;
}
```



