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We will get started shortly.

Please share in the Chat:

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Our Mission

Empower diverse
women to excel in
technology careers



Our Vision

A tech industry where diverse women and historically excluded people thrive at every level.



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WWCode is an inclusive community, dedicated to providing an empowering experience for everyone who participates in or supports our community, regardless of gender, gender identity and expression, sexual orientation, ability, physical appearance, body size, race, ethnicity, age, religion, socioeconomic status, caste, creed, political affiliation, or preferred programming language(s).

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Building Python Projects for a Resume Booster – Workshop Series (Web Development) *Featured, Recurring*

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Python Trivia! – Interactive Slack Event (#live_events channel) *Featured*

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Bytes n' Brew – How To Ace Your Interviews *Featured*

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Member Meet & Greet! – Women Who Code Python *Featured, Recurring*

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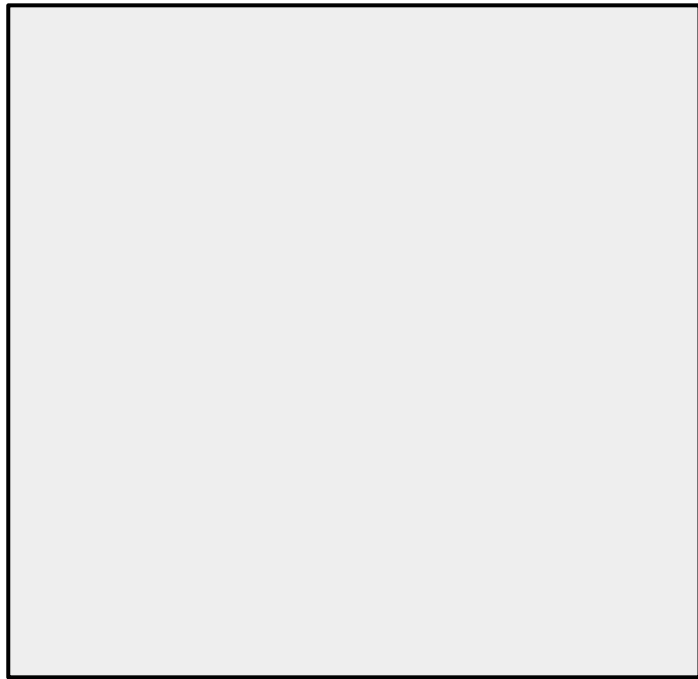
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Our Speaker

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Regular Expressions

Quick Review

Literals








Pattern	What the computer does	Examples
cookie	Start scanning from the beginning of the line, find the pattern where c follows immediately with o, o, k, i, e until the end of line	✓ chocolate chip cookie ✗ shortbread ookie
^coo	The pattern of coo literally is found at the beginning of the line	✓ cookie bars ✗ chocolate chip cookie
cookie\$	The pattern of cookie matches literally at the end of line	✓ chocolate chip cookie ✗ cookie bars

Anchors

Pattern	What the computer does	Examples
<code>^coo</code>	The pattern of <code>coo</code> literally is found at the beginning of the line	 <code>cookie bars</code>  <code>chocolate chip cookie</code>
<code>cookie\$</code>	The pattern of <code>cookie</code> matches literally at the end of line	 <code>chocolate chip cookie</code>  <code>cookie bars</code>
<code>\bfoo</code> <code>\bfoo\b</code>	<code>\b</code> Word Boundary	 <code>foot</code>  <code>foo</code>  <code>foot</code>

New

Special Literals

Pattern	What the computer Matches	Example Pattern	Example Matches
<code>\t</code> <code>\r</code> <code>\n</code>	Tab Carriage Return New Line	<code>\tsnickerdoodle</code> <code>windowsmultiline\r</code> <code>multiline\n</code>	 snickerdoodle  windowsmultiline\r\n  multiline\n
<code>\uFFFF</code>	Unicode (F's replaced with Unicode)	<code>\u2764</code>	 ❤️
<code>\d</code> <code>\s</code> <code>\w</code>	Matches a digit (0-9) Matches a whitespace Character Matches a “word char”, (a-z, A-Z, 0-9) or underscore	<code>user_\d</code> <code>two\schips</code> <code>\w/\w/\w</code>	 user_3  two chips  t_9

Negating

Pattern	What the computer Matches	Example Pattern	Example Matches
<code>^</code>	Excludes the following char	<code>^bad</code>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> sad <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> mad <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> dad <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> bad
<code>?</code>	Makes the previous character optional	<code>ana?esthesia</code>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> anesthesia <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> anaesthesia

Wildcard

Pattern	What the computer Matches	Example Pattern	Example Matches
.	Dot matches almost any character (not \n, unless you have single-line mode) Use sparingly!!	gr.y	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> grey <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> gray <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> gr8y <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> gr-y <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> gr[y] <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> groovy
[ae] a e	Single char in the set either / or	gr[ae]y gr(a e)y	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> grey <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> gray <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> gr8y <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> gr-y

Repetition

Pattern	What the computer Matches	Example Pattern	Example Matches
*	Matches any number of previous char	co*kie	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> cookie <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> coooooookie <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ckie
+	Matches one or more of the previous char	co+kie	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> cookie <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> coooooookie <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ckie
{n} {n, m} {n,}	Matches n times exactly Matches n to m times Matches n to infinite times	bal{2}o{2}n \d{3, 7}	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> balloon <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 786 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1112222 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 999999999

Example

Let's say we want to validate a phone number!

Requirements to match:

1235556789

`^\d{10}$`

`^\d{3}\d{3}\d{4}$`

444-555-8789

`^\d{3}\-?\d{3}\-?\d{4}$`

123.456.8890

`^\d{3}[\-\.]?\d{3}[\-\.]?\d{4}$`

+1 123-555-6789

`^(\+\d+\s)?\d{3}[\-\.]?\d{3}[\-\.]?\d{4}$`

Python

```
import re

potential_phone_number = '+1 123-555-6789'
pattern = r"^(\+\d+\s)?\d{3}[\-\.\.]? \d{3}[\-\.\.]? \d{4}$"
compiled_pattern = re.compile(pattern)
match = re.match(compiled_pattern, potential_phone_number)

if match:
    print(match)

>> <re.Match object; span=(0, 15), match='+1 123-555-6789'>
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Q&A

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