

Text Processing

Regular Expression and thaipynlp

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RegEx Module

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- Python has a built-in package called re, which can be used to work with Regular Expressions.
- A RegEx, or Regular Expression, is a sequence of characters that forms a search pattern.
- RegEx can be used to check if a string contains the specified search pattern.

Match Object

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- A Match Object is an object containing information about the search and the result.
- The Match object has properties and methods used to retrieve information about the search, and the result:
 - .span() returns a tuple containing the start-, and end positions of the match.
 - .string returns the string passed into the function
 - .group() returns the part of the string where there was a match

```
import re

#match -
   A Match Object is an object containing information about the search a
nd the result.

print(re.match("ab", "ABC"))
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#match
print(re.match("ab", "abc"))
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#match.span() returns a tuple containing the start-
, and end positions of the match.
re.match("ab", "abc").span()
```

```
#match.string returns the string passed into the function
re.match("ab", "abc").string
```

```
#match.group() returns the part of the string where there was a match
re.match("ab", "abc").group()
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The re module offers a set of functions that allows us to search a string for a match

Function	Description
findall	Returns a list containing all matches
search	Returns a Match object if there is a match anywhere in the string
split	Returns a list where the string has been split at each match
sub	Replaces one or many matches with a string

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#findall() returns a list containing all matches.
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```
pattern = "AIS"

text = '''Manage all your AIS numbers with one login. Manage things

much easier with one login My AIS allows you to access all your AIS nu
mber accounts by logging in only once.
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It is really convenient to manage your AIS postpaid, AIS 1-2-Call! And Fibre accounts all at one go.'''

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re.findall(pattern, text)
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#finditer() returns an iterator yielding match objects matching the re
gex pattern.

for match in re.finditer(pattern, text):
   print(f"start index {match.start()}, end index {match.end()}")
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#search() function searches the string for a match, and returns a Match object if there is a match. If there is more than one match, only the first occurrence of the match will be returned.

re.search(pattern, text)

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#split() returns a list where the string has been split at each match.
re.split("!", text)
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#sub() replaces the matches with the text of your choice.
re.sub("!", "*", text)
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#subn() The re.subn() is similar to re.sub() except it returns a tuple of 2 items containing the new string and the number of substitutions made.

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re.subn("!", "*", text)
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#compile(pattern) Regular expressions are handled as strings by Python . However, with compile(), you can computer a regular expression pattern into a regular expression object.
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pattern = 'AIS'

AIS_pattern = re.compile(pattern)

AIS pattern.findall(text)
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Metacharacters are characters with a special meaning:

Character	Description	Example
[]	A set of characters	"[a-m]"
\	Signals a special sequence (can also be used to escape special characters)	"\d"
,	Any character (except newline character)	"heo"
٨	Starts with	"^hello"
\$	Ends with	"planet\$"
*	Zero or more occurrences	"he.*o"
+	One or more occurrences	"he.+o"
?	Zero or one occurrences	"he.?o"
{}	Exactly the specified number of occurrences	"he{2}o"
	Either or	"falls stays"

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def patternFinder(pattern, text):
    i = 1
    for match in re.finditer(pattern, text):
        print(f"{i}. match {match.group()} -
        start index {match.start()}, end index {match.end()}")
        i += 1
    if not any(re.finditer(pattern, text)):
        print("No matches")
```

```
text = '''Manage all your AIS numbers with one login. Manage things mu
ch easier with one login My AIS allows you to access all your AIS numb
er accounts by logging in only once.
          It is really convenient to manage your AIS postpaid, AIS 1-
2-Call! And Fibre accounts all at one go.'''
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 start index {match.start()}, end index {match.end()}")
    i += 1
  if not any (re.finditer (pattern, text)):
    print("No matches")
```

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pattern = "AIS"

patternFinder(pattern, text)
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```
#[] A set of characters

pattern = "[AEIOU]"

patternFinder(pattern, text)
```

#. Any character (except newline character)
pattern = "[AEIOU].."
patternFinder(pattern, text)

```
#^ Starts with

pattern = "^AIS"

patternFinder(pattern, text)
```

```
#^ Starts with

pattern = "^Manage"

patternFinder(pattern, text)
```

```
#$ Ends with

pattern = "AIS$"

patternFinder(pattern, text)
```

#* Zero or more occurrences

pattern = "the*"

text = "they thou their thief thee"

patternFinder(pattern, text)

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#+ one or more occurrences

pattern = "the+"

text = "they thou their thief thee"

patternFinder(pattern, text)
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```
#? zero or one occurrences

pattern = "the?"

text = "they thou their thief thee"

patternFinder(pattern, text)
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#{} Exactly the specified number of occurrences
pattern = "the{2}"
text = "they thou their thief thee"
patternFinder(pattern, text)
```

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#| Either or

pattern = "ei|ef"

text = "they thou their thief thee"

patternFinder(pattern, text)
```

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A special sequence is a \ followed by one of the characters in the list below, and has a special meaning:

Character	Description	Example
VA	Returns a match if the specified characters are at the beginning of the string	"\AThe"
/b	Returns a match where the specified characters are at the beginning or at the end of a word (the "r" in the beginning is making sure that the string is being treated as a "raw string")	r"\bain" r"ain\b"
\B	Returns a match where the specified characters are present, but NOT at the beginning (or at the end) of a word (the "r" in the beginning is making sure that the string is being treated as a "raw string")	r"\Bain" r"ain\B"
\d	Returns a match where the string contains digits (numbers from 0-9)	"\d"
\D	Returns a match where the string DOES NOT contain digits	"\D"
\s	Returns a match where the string contains a white space character	"\S"
\S	Returns a match where the string DOES NOT contain a white space character	"\S"
\W	Returns a match where the string contains any word characters (characters from a to Z, digits from 0-9, and the underscore _ character)	"\W"
\W	Returns a match where the string DOES NOT contain any word characters	"\W"
\Z	Returns a match if the specified characters are at the end of the string	"Spain\Z"

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#\A Returns a match if the specified characters are at the beginning of the string

pattern = "\AManage"

patternFinder(pattern, text)

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#\b Returns a match where the specified characters are at the beginning or at the end of a word (the "r" in the beginning is making sure that the string is being treated as a "raw string")
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pattern = r"\bAIS"
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patternFinder(pattern, text)

#\B Returns a match where the specified characters are at the beginning or at the end of a word (the "r" in the beginning is making sure that the string is being treated as a "raw string")

pattern = r"\BAIS"

patternFinder(pattern, text)

#\d Returns a match where the string contains digits (numbers from 09)
#\D Returns a match where the string DOES NOT contain digits

pattern = "\d"

patternFinder(pattern, text)

```
#\s Returns a match where the string contains a white space character #\S Returns a match where the string DOES NOT contain a white space character
```

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pattern = "\s"
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```
\#\ Returns a match where the string contains any word characters (characters from a to Z, digits from 0-9, and the underscore _ character) \#\ Returns a match where the string DOES NOT contain any word characters
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pattern = "\s\w{10}\s"
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#\Z Returns a match if the specified characters are at the end of the string

pattern = $"g..\Z"$

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#\Z Returns a match if the specified characters are at the end of the string

pattern = $"g..\Z"$

A set is a set of characters inside a pair of square brackets [] with a special meaning:

Set	Description
[arn]	Returns a match where one of the specified characters (a, r, or n) are present
[a-n]	Returns a match for any lower case character, alphabetically between a and n
[^arn]	Returns a match for any character EXCEPT a, r, and n
[0123]	Returns a match where any of the specified digits (0, 1, 2, or 3) are present
[0-9]	Returns a match for any digit between 0 and 9
[0-5][0-9]	Returns a match for any two-digit numbers from 00 and 59
[a-zA-Z]	Returns a match for any character alphabetically between a and z, lower case OR upper case
[+]	In sets, +, *, ., , (), \$,{} has no special meaning, so [+] means: return a match for any + character in the string

```
#[arn] Returns a match where one of the specified characters (a, r, or
n) are present
#[^arn] Returns a match for any character EXCEPT a, r, and n

pattern = "[ABCDEFGH]"

patternFinder(pattern, text)
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```
#[a-n] Returns a match for any lower case character,
alphabetically between a and n

pattern = "[A-H]"

patternFinder(pattern, text)
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```
#[0123] Returns a match where any of the specified digits (0, 1, 2, or
3) are present

pattern = "[12345]"

patternFinder(pattern, text)
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```
#[0-9] Returns a match for any digit between 0 and 9
pattern = "[1-5]"
patternFinder(pattern, text)
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\#[0-5][0-9] Returns a match for any two-digit numbers from 00 and 59 pattern = "[0-9][0-9]" patternFinder(pattern, text)
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```
#[a-zA-Z] Returns a match for any character alphabetically between a and z, lower case OR upper case pattern = "\A[a-zA-Z]+\s" patternFinder(pattern, text)
```



pythainlp Module

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PyThaiNLP is a Python library for Thai Natural Language Processing.

https://pythainlp.github.io/

Basic pythainlp

```
import pythainlp

#check for Thai character

pythainlp.util.isthai("::010:08")
```

Basic pythainlp

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#sorting according to Thai dictionary
words = ["กิน","กัน","ก่อน"]
pythainlp.util.collate(words)
```

text = "ครอบคลุมทุกใลฟ์สไตล์ ทั้ง กินดื่ม ฟู้ดเดลิเวอรี ซ้อปปิ้ง สุขภาพ และการแพทย์"
#maximum matching algorithm (default)
print(pythainlp.word_tokenize(text, engine="newmm"))
#logest algorithm
print(pythainlp.word tokenize(text, engine="longest"))

```
from pythainlp.corpus.common import thai words
from pythainlp.util import Trie
new words = \{"ฟู้ดเดลิเวอรี"\}
words = new words.union(thai words())
custom dictionary trie = Trie(words)
print(pythainlp.word tokenize(text, custom dict=custom dictionary trie)
))
```

```
#syllable tokenization

from pythainlp.tokenize import syllable_tokenize

text = "เอไอเอส"

syllable_tokenize(text)
```

```
#romanize

from pythainlp.transliterate import romanize

text = "เอไอเอส"

romanize(text)
```

```
#Soundex

from pythainlp.soundex import 1k82, metasound, udom83

print(1k82("50") == 1k82("50"))

print(metasound("50") == metasound("50"))

print(udom83("50") == udom83("50"))
```

```
#spellchecking

from pythainlp import spell

spell("อนุญาติ")
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```
#Part-of-speech tagging

from pythainlp.tag import pos_tag, pos_tag_sents

pos_tag(["ฉัน","ชอบ","กิน","ขนม"])
```

#Named-entity tagging

from pythainlp.tag.named_entity import ThaiNameTagger

ner = ThaiNameTagger()

ner.get_ner("ฉันเจอเขาที่ตึกซินวัตรเมื่อวานนี้")

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```
#word normalization

from pythainlp.util import normalize

text = "แปลก"#เเปลก

normalize(text) == "แปลก"#แปลก
```

#word vector

import pythainlp.word_vector

pythainlp.word_vector.similarity("ลูกชาย","บุตรชาย")