DS 100: Principles and Techniques of Data Science

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Discussion #5 Worksheet

Name:

Regular Expressions

Here's a complete list of metacharacters:

* + ? { } [] \ | ()

Some reminders on what each can do (this is not exhaustive):

- string (unless used for negation " [^] ")
- "\$" matches the position at the end of string "()" used to create a sub-expression character.
- "?" match preceding literal or sub-expression 0 or 1 times. When following "+" or " \star " results in non-greedy matching.
- "+" match preceding literal or sub-expression one or more times.
- "*" match preceding literal or sub-expression zero or more times
- "." match any character except new line.

"^" matches the position at the beginning of "[]" match any one of the characters inside, accepts a range, e.g., "[a-c]".

- "\d" match any digit character. "\D" is the complement.
- "\w" match any word character (letters, digits, underscore). "\W" is the complement.
- "\s" match any whitespace character including tabs and newlines. \S is the complement.
- "\b" match boundary between words

Some useful re package functions:

- string at substrings that match the pattern. Returns a list.
- re.split(pattern, string) split the re.sub(pattern, replace, string) apply the pattern to string replacing matching substrings with replace. Returns a string.

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Kernel Density Estimation

1. We wish to compare the results of kernel density estimation using a gaussian kernel and a boxcar kernel. For $\alpha > 0$, which of the following statements are true? Choose all that apply.

Gaussian Kernel:

$$K_{\alpha}(x,z) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\alpha^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{(x-z)^2}{2\alpha^2}\right)$$

Box Car Kernel:

$$B_{\alpha}(x,z) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\alpha} & \text{if } -\frac{\alpha}{2} \le x - z \le \frac{\alpha}{2} \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

- A. Decreasing α for a gaussian kernel decreases the smoothness of the KDE.
- B. The gaussian kernel is always better than the boxcar kernel for KDEs.
- C. Because the gaussian kernel is smooth, we can safely use large α values for kernel density estimation without worrying about the actual distribution of data.
- D. The area under the box car kernel is 1, regardless of the value of α .
- E. None of the above.

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2. Which strings contain a match for the following regular expression, "1+1\$"? The character "_" represents a single space.

3. Given the text:

Which of the following matches exactly to the email addresses (including angle brackets)?

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4. For each pattern specify the starting and ending position of the first match in the string. The index starts at zero and we are using closed intervals (both endpoints are included).

	abcdefg	abcs!	ab_abc	abc,_123
abc*	[0, 2]			
[^\s]+				
ab.*c				
[a-z1,9]+				

- 5. Write a regular expression that matches strings (including the empty string) that only contain lowercase letters and numbers.
- 6. Write a regular expression that matches strings that contain exactly 5 vowels.
- 7. Given that address is a string, use re.sub to replace all vowels with a lowercase letter "o". For example "123_Orange_Street" would be changed to "123_Orange_Stroot".
- 8. Given dates = "October_10, November_11, December_12, January_1", use re.findall to extract all the numbers in the string. The result should look like ["10", "11", "12", "1"].
- 9. Given the following text in a variable log:

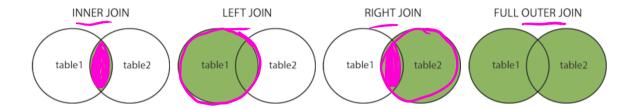
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169.237.46.168 - - [26/Jan/2014:10:47:58 -0800]
"GET_/stat141/Winter04/_HTTP/1.1" 200 2585
"http://anson.ucdavis.edu/courses/"
```

Fill in the regular expression in the variable pattern below so that after it executes, day is 26, month is Jan, and year is 2014.

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pattern = ...
matches = re.findall(pattern, log)
day, month, year = matches[0]
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SQL



Note: You do not always have to use the JOIN keyword to join sql tables. The following are equivalent:

```
SELECT column1, column2

FROM table1, table2

WHERE table1.id = table2.id;

SELECT column1, column2

FROM table1 JOIN table2

ON table1.id = table2.id;
```

10. Describe which records are returned from each type of join.

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inner: all rows which have a match left: all rows in left table with a match right: all rows in right table + rows in left table with a match outer: all rows from both tables
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- 11. Consider the following real estate schema:
 - Homes(home_id int, city text, bedrooms int, bathrooms int, area int)
 - Transactions (home_id int, buyer_id int, seller_id int, transaction_date date, sale_price_int)
 - Buyers (buyer_id int, name text)
 - Sellers (seller_id int, name text)

Fill in the blanks in the SQL query to find the id and selling price for each home in Berkeley. If the home has not ben sold yet, **the price should be NULL**.

```
SELECT Homes home id Transactions sale price

FROM Homes AS h

LEFT JOIN Transactions

ON Homes home id = Transactions home id

WHERE Homes city = 'Berkeley';
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