

Mission Name : Advanced Regular Expression.

* Capture Groups:- we define a capture group by wrapping the part we want to capture in parentheses.

Eg:-

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pattern = r"(\w+SQL)"
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sql-flavors = titles.str.extract(pattern, flags=re.I)
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sql-flavours-freq = sql-flavors.value_counts()
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print(sql-flavours-freq)
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* Another example of capture groups:-

Eg:- pattern = r"[Pp]ython ([\d\.]+)"

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py-versions = titles.str.extract(pattern)
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py-versions-freq = dict(py-version.value_counts())
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The above code will extract the version followed by the word Python/python and make a frequency dictionary with it.

* Eg:- pattern = r"\b[Cc][^\.]+[w]\b"

* Lookarounds:-

Lookaround	Pattern	Explanation
Positive Lookahead	zzz(?=abc)	Matches only when zzz is followed by abc.
Negative Lookahead	zzz(?!abc)	Matches only when zzz is not followed by abc.
Positive lookbehind	(?<=abc)zzz	Match zzz only if it is preceded by abc.
Negative lookbehind	(?<!abc)zzz	Match zzz only if it is NOT preceded by abc.

Eg:- pattern = r"(?!Series\s)\b[Cc]\b(?![\.\s+])"

* Back References:-

If we want to repeat any capture group in a RegEx pattern, we can use back references.

We can number capture groups from left to right and just mention the number wherever we want to repeat it.

Eg:- (Hello)(Goodbye)\2\1

This will match HelloGoodbyeGoodbyeHello.

(\w)\1

With match 2 repeating characters, like "ee", "oo" etc.

Eg 2:- pattern = r"\b(\w+)\s\1\b"

* re.sub()

Function is similar to string.replace().

Syntax:- re.sub(pattern, repl, string, flags=0)

regex string to replace string

For pandas series:- Series.str.replace(pat, repl, flags=0)

Eg:- titles_clean = titles.str.replace(pat = r"e-?\s?mail",
repl = "email",
flags = re.I)

* Extracting domain names:- pattern = r".{4}https?://([a-zA-Z-]+)/?"

* Naming extracted columns :- r"(?P<date>.+)(?P<time>.+)"