

08 Handwritten

1. Give as examples of some strings that would match the following patterns:

a. $b[ea]d$

b. 19^*2

c. $(ay|c)+bb$

d. $[0-9a-b]^*$

2. Indicate whether the following strings would match the regular expression:

101^*01

String	Match (Yes or No)
1001	
100101	
10101	
1011101	

Regex Lecture Reference

Square Brackets

[abcd]	Square brackets say, match any character in this set
[a-z0-9]	You can also specify ranges using dash
[^a-z]	Square brackets with a caret ^ at the start says 'not in this set'

Sequences

\d	Any decimal digit
\D	Any non-digit character
\s	Any whitespace character
\S	Any non-whitespace character
\w	Any alphanumeric character
\W	Any non-alphanumeric character

Repeating Things

[0-9]+	Plus matches one or more occurrences
[0-9]*	Asterisk matches zero or more occurrences
[0-9]?	Question marks matches zero or one occurrences
[0-9]{1,2}	Braces are used for specifying exactly how many times something should repeat {min, max}

Brackets and ORs

(abc) (dfg)	Would match abc or dfg
(abc) ([0-9])	Would match abc or a single number

08 Handwritten Answers

3. Give as examples of some strings that would match the following patterns:

a. $b[ea]d$

bed

bad

b. 19^*2

12

192

1992

19992

c. $(ay|c)+bb$

aybb

cbb

ayaybb

cccbb

d. $[0-9a-b]^*$

09030ab

0a

0

a

4. Indicate whether the following strings would match the regular expression:

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String	Match (Yes or No)
1001	Yes
100101	No
10101	Yes
1011101	Yes