Exception Handling

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Exception

- Exceptions are used to change the normal flow of a script if a specified error occurs.
- PHP 5 came a new object oriented way of dealing with errors.
- Exceptions are important and provides a better control over error handling.
- Exception handling is used to change the normal flow of the code execution if a specified error (exceptional) condition occurs. This condition is called an exception.

Exception Handling

- When an exception is thrown, the code following it will not be executed, and PHP will try to find the matching "catch" block.
- If an exception is not caught, a fatal error will be issued with an "Uncaught Exception" message.
- To handle exception we use try and catch block

try,catch

try a function call of a function that throw exception should be in try block. If the exception does not trigger, the code will continue as normal. However if the exception triggers, an exception is "thrown".

throw by using throw program can throw exception

catch A "catch" block retrieves an exception and creates an object containing the exception information.

Example

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Let us consider example
<?php
//create function with an exception
function checkNum($number){
  if($number>1){
    throw new Exception("Value must be 1 or below");}
  return true:}
//trigger exception in a "try" block
try{
  checkNum(2):
  //If the exception is thrown, this text will not be shown
  echo 'If you see this, the number is 1 or below';}
//catch exception
catch(Exception $e)
  echo 'Message: ' .$e->getMessage();
```

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  public function errorMessage()
    //error message
    $errorMsg = 'Error on line '.$this->getLine().' in '
.$this->getFile()
    .': <b>'.$this->getMessage().'</b> is not a positive number
    return $errorMsg;
```

Custum Exception example

Let us consider the following example

```
<?php
e = -5:
try {
    if($e<0){
        throw new customException($e);
catch (customException $e)
  //display custom message
  echo $e->errorMessage();
```

Multiple Exceptions

It is possible for a script to use multiple exceptions to check for multiple conditions.

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Multiple Exception Example

Let us consider following example

```
<?php
e = -5:
try{
  if($e<0){
    throw new customException("number is not positive"); }
if(a==0){
throw new Exception("Divisible by zero Exception");}
echo $e/$a; }
catch (customException $e){
  //display custom message
  echo $e->errorMessage(); }
  catch (Exception $e)
  { echo $e->errorMessage();}
?>
```

Home Assignment

- Re-throwing Exception
- Set a Top Level Exception Handler

Reference

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