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Text File IO

Poll

What will be the output of the following code?

```
def multiply_by(n):  
    def multiply(x):  
        return x * n  
    return multiply  
  
multiply_by_2 = multiply_by(2)  
multiply_by_3 = multiply_by(3)  
print(multiply_by_2(multiply_by_3(4))  
)
```

- a. 6
- b. 12
- c. 24

Poll

What will be the output of the following code?

```
from functools import reduce

nums = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]
mapped_list = map(lambda x: x + 2, nums)
result = reduce(lambda x, y: x + y, filter(lambda x: x % 2 == 0, mapped_list))
```

a. 21

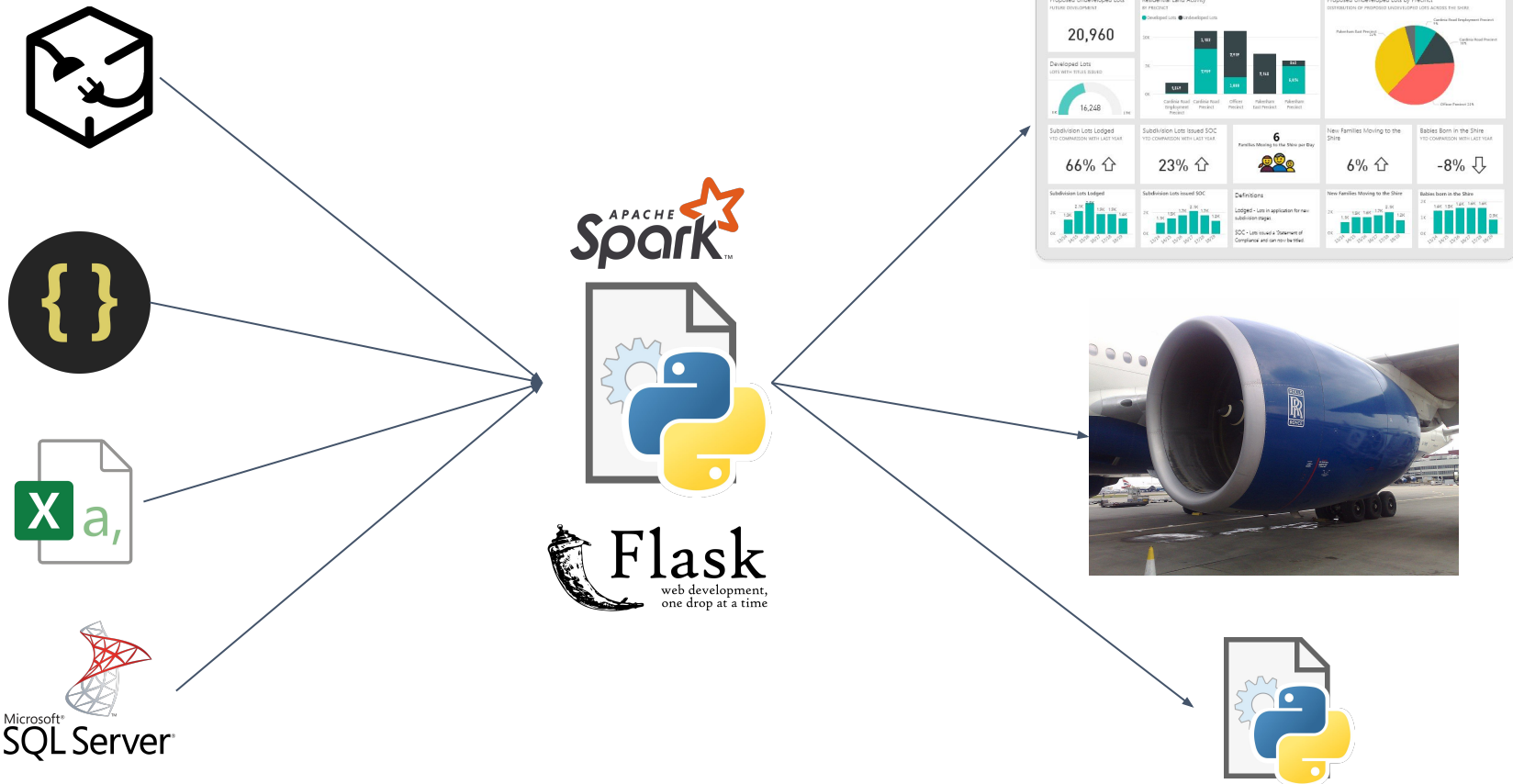
b. 18

c. 15

Learning Objectives & Outcomes

- Demonstrate the basics of file handling in Python, including opening, reading, writing, and closing files.
- Perform common file operations such as reading from and writing to text files.
- Handle file-related exceptions to ensure robust file operations.
- Understand the importance of resource management in programming.
- Use the 'with' statement to manage file resources efficiently, ensuring files are properly closed after operations.
- Apply best practices for managing resources to prevent memory leaks and other resource-related issues.

Introduction



What is File I/O ?

- **File I/O** stands for **File Input/Output** operations involving files.
- It refers to the process of reading data from files (input) or writing data to files (output) using a computer program.
 - In simpler terms, file I/O is all about your program interacting with **files**: either taking in information from them or putting information into them. It's like the communication link between your program and the outside world of files

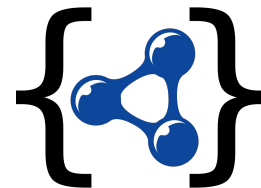
Understanding External Sources



They couldn't play soccer because they couldn't see the ball. They didn't want to go inside and play a game because it was a beautiful springtime night and they liked being ...[1]



```
id,name price
1,Laptop 1200
2,Smartphone 800
3,Headphones 200
4,Mouse 50
5,Monitor 1000
6,Desk 600
7,Speakers 400
```



```
{
  "track_id": "3"
  "name": "Inde"
  "artist": "Bucie"
  "album": "Inde"
  "duration_ms":
373000
  "popularity": 3
}
```

File Manipulations

- **File modes**

- Specifications used when opening a file.
- Indicate the intended operation (reading, writing, appending, or a combination).
- Determine how the file will be accessed.

- **File handling**

- Process of working with files on computer storage.
- Allows reading from, writing to, and manipulating files.
- Python provides built-in functions and methods for file operations.

File Handling

- **File I/O in Python:**

- Performed using the `open()` function.
- Utilizes various methods associated with file objects.

- **Opening Files:**

- The `open()` function opens a file and returns a file object.
- Requires specifying:
 - File name/path.
 - Mode (e.g., 'r' for reading, 'w' for writing, 'a' for appending).

Working with Files in Python: I/O

```
file = open("filename.txt", "access_mode")  
content = file.read()  
file.close()
```



opening

Read Only	r
Read and Write	r+
Write Only	w
Write and Read	w+
Append Only	a
Append and Read	a+

closing



Text file (.txt)

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File Access Modes

Must be closed
to avoid issues
like memory
leaks

Resource Management: Implicit Method

- The with statement is used for resource management in Python.
- It ensures that resources are properly cleaned up after use, even if an error occurs.

```
with open('filename.txt', 'r') as file:  
    content = file.read()
```

Resource Management: Explicit Method

- **Explicit file handling:**
 - Manual opening and closing of files.
 - Uses `open()` function for opening.
 - Uses `close()` method for closing.

```
file = open('file.txt', 'r')  
content = file.read()  
file.close()
```

File Access Modes (r)

- Reading from Text Files: You can read text from a file using the `open()` function with the mode 'r'

```
with open('filename.txt', 'r') as file:  
    content = file.read()
```

File Access Modes (w)

- Writing to Text Files: You can write text to a file using the `open()` function with the mode 'w'

```
with open('filename.txt', 'w') as file:  
    file.write("Hello, world!")
```

File Access Modes (a)

- Appending to Text Files: You can append text to an existing file using the `open()` function with the mode 'a'

```
with open('filename.txt', 'a') as file:  
    file.write("\nThis is a new line.")
```

File Handling (Reading)

Read from a File Python Methods

read()
Reads the entire contents of the file and returns it as a string.

readline()
Reads a single line from the file and returns it as a string.

readlines()
Reads all lines from the file and returns them as a list of strings.

File Handling (Writing)

Write to a File Python Methods

write()

This method is used to write data to the file. It takes a string argument and adds it to the end of the file.

writelines()

This method writes a sequence of strings to the file. It takes a list of strings as an argument and writes each string to the file.

Error Handling



Exception Handling

- **Error/Exception**
 - Unexpected events that interrupt normal program execution.
 - Prevent the program from achieving its intended outcome.
- **Exception handling**
 - Allows graceful management of errors during program execution.
 - Applies to various situations, including file operations.

File Exception Handling

IsADirectoryError

```
with open("directory_name.txt", 'r') as file:  
    content = file.read()
```

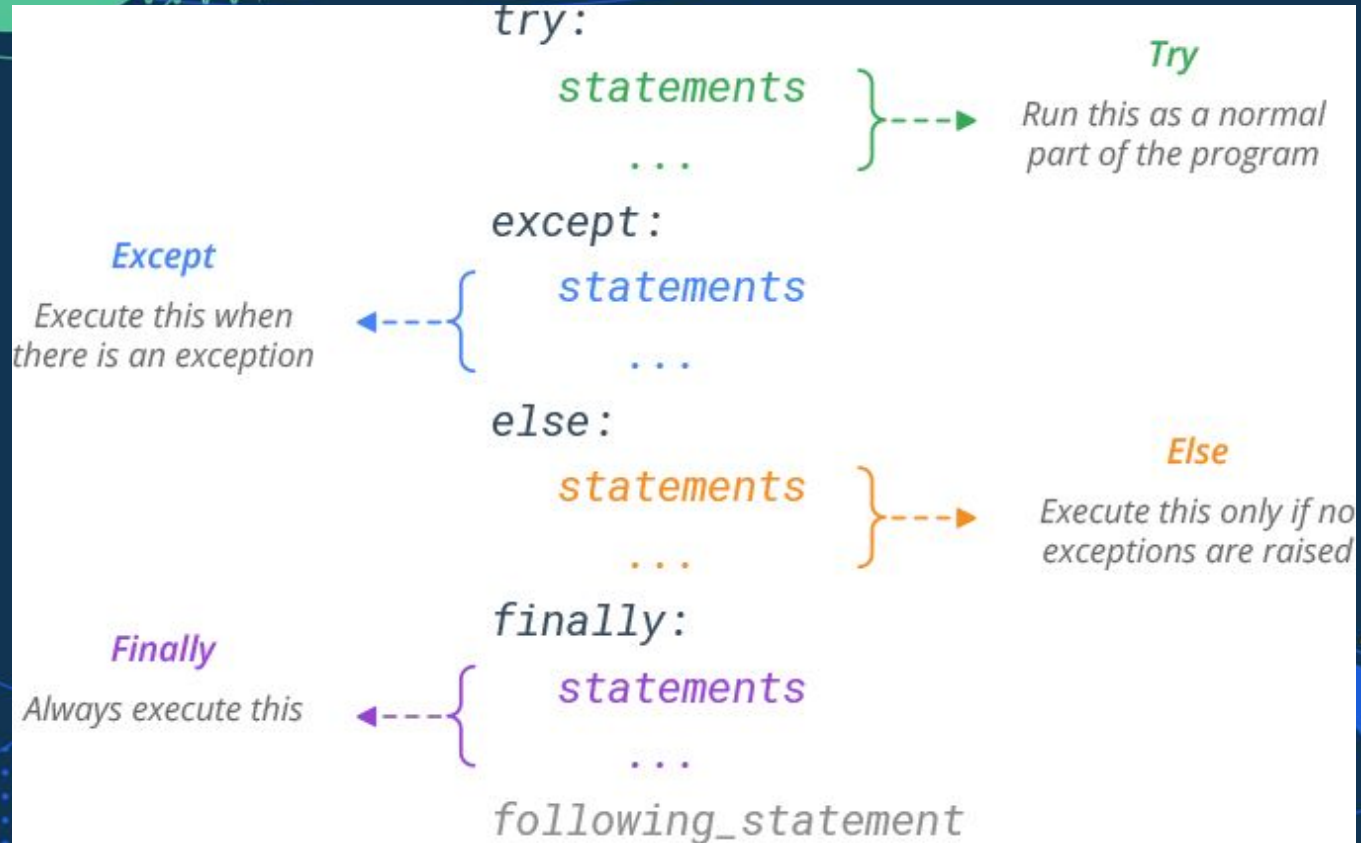
FileNotFoundError

```
with open("filename.txt", 'r') as file:  
    content = file.read()
```

PermissionError

```
with open("filename.txt", 'w') as file:  
    content = file.read()
```

Try / Except / Finally Structure



Try / Except Example

- You can wrap file I/O operations inside a try block and catch specific exceptions using except blocks.

```
try:
    with open('file.txt', 'r') as file:
        content = file.read()
        print(content)
except FileNotFoundError:
    print("File not found!")
except PermissionError:
    print("Permission denied to open the
file!")
except IOError as e:
    print(f"An I/O error occurred: {e}")
except Exception as e:
    print(f"An unexpected error occurred: {e}")
```


Try / Except / Finally

- We can also use a finally block to ensure that certain cleanup actions are always performed, regardless of whether an exception occurred or not.

```
try:
    file = open('file.txt', 'r')
    content = file.read()
    print(content)
except FileNotFoundError:
    print("File not found!")
finally:
    file.close() # Ensure file is closed even if an exception
```

occurs

Poll

What will happen when this code is executed?

```
try:
    with open('data.txt', 'r') as file:
        content = file.read()
except FileNotFoundError as e:
    print("File missing")
finally:
    print("Operation complete")
    file.close()
```

1. A NameError will be raised in the finally block because 'file' is out of scope
2. "File missing" and "Operation complete" will be printed
3. Only "Operation complete" will be printed

Poll

Given a file 'data.txt' with content "1,2,3\n4,5,6\n", what's the output?

```
with open('data.txt', 'r') as f:
    lines = f.readlines()
    result = [line.strip().split(',') for line in
lines]
print(result[0][1])
```

- a. 1
- b. 2
- c. '2'

Lesson Conclusion and Recap

- **File Operations**
 - Open/close, read/write files (text, CSV, JSON)
 - File modes: read, write, append
 - open(), read(), write(), with statement
- **Working with External Data Formats**
 - Handling text
- **Error Handling with Exceptions**
 - Importance of error handling
 - Common exceptions: FileNotFoundError, PermissionError, IsADirectoryError
 - try, except, else, finally blocks

Practical: Building a Word Counter Application

- **Problem:** Build a Python application to analyze text files, including:
 - Word frequency counting.
 - Stop word exclusion (e.g., "the," "a," "is").
 - Punctuation and case handling.
- **Solution:** We'll build a Python program that:
 - Read a text file.
 - Remove stop words and punctuation.
 - Count word frequencies.
 - Use file I/O for input/output.
 - Use dictionaries for efficient storage.
 - Handle file/permission errors.

Follow-up Activity

3. Write the Results to a New File:
 - Write a function `write_results(filename, average, highest, lowest)` that writes the average, highest, and lowest grades to a new text file.
4. Main Program:
 - Combine the functions in a main block:
 - Use `read_grades` to read the grades from a file named `grades.txt`.
 - Use `process_grades` to calculate the necessary statistics.
 - Use `write_results` to save the results in a file named `results.txt`.
 - Example Files:
 - Input File (`grades.txt`):
85
90
78
92
88
 - Output File (`results.txt`):
 - Average Grade: 86.6
 - Highest Grade: 92
 - Lowest Grade: 78

Follow-up Activity

1. **Submission:** Just make sure that you have the output provided above. This is not tied to any of your tasks.
2. Use any method available to you. As long as you understand the process.

Questions and Answers



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