

Exceptions and Tools



What is an exception

- An unexpected error.
- This type of error occurs whenever syntactically correct Python code results in an error.
- It is different from syntax error.
- Syntax error occur when parser detect an incorrect statement.
- It is not logical error too.





Exception vs Syntax Error

- Syntax error known as parsing error.
- It displays a little 'arrow' pointing at the earliest point in the line where the error was detected.
- Even if a statement or expression is syntactically correct, it may cause an error when an attempt is made to execute it.
- Errors detected during execution are called exceptions and are not unconditionally fatal.
- Python comes with various built-in exceptions as well as the possibility to create user defined exceptions.

```
2 a=10
            4 a=^+b
           5 print(a)
            File "<ipython-input-3-1022784d80ff>", line 4
             a=^+b
          SyntaxError: invalid syntax
In [4]:
           1 x=12
           2 x+=out
           3 print(x)
         <ipython-input-4-8205186f1a16> in <module>
               1 x=12
         ----> 2 x+=out
```

NameError: name 'out' is not defined

3 print(x)

1 print(5+5)



Exception Roles

Error handling	
Event Notification	
Special-case handling	
Termination actions	
Unusual control flows	



Default Exception Handler

• If you don't catch and handle exceptions then Python's default exception handler kicks it.

```
In [20]:
          1 def funct1(obj,index):
                  print('Vale at position {} is {}'.format(index,obj[index]))
          1 funct1([2,4,6,8,10],12)
 In [6]:
           2 print('End of the program')
         IndexError
                                                   Traceback (most recent call last)
         <ipython-input-6-0afea8b2043a> in <module>
         ----> 1 funct1([2,4,6,8,10],12)
               2 print('End of the program')
         <ipython-input-4-7e8926f9a084> in funct1(obj, index)
               1 def funct1(obj,index):
                     print('Vale at position {} is {}'.format(index,obj[index]))
               3 L=[10,20,25,30,23]
               4 try:
                     funct1(L,12)
         IndexError: list index out of range
```



Handle Exception

- Server programs, for instance, typically need to remain active even after internal errors.
- If you don't want the default exception behavior, wrap the call in a try statement to catch exceptions yourself:

```
In [20]: 1 def funct1(obj,index):
    print('Vale at position {} is {}'.format(index,obj[index]))
3
4
```



Raise exception

- exceptions can be raised by Python or by your program, and can be caught or not.
- To trigger an exception manually, simply run a raise statement.
- User-triggered exceptions are caught the same way as those Python raises.



User Defined Exception

- We can define new exceptions of our own that are specific to our programs.
- User-defined exceptions are coded with classes, which inherit from a built-in exception class: usually the class named Exception.

```
1  a=10
2  try:
3     if a==0:
4         raise bad
5     b=100/a
6     print('b={}'.format(b))
7  except bad:
8     print('can not be divided by zero')
9
10
```



Termination Actions

• The try/finally combination specifies termination actions that always execute "on the way out," regardless of whether an exception occurs in the try block.

```
In [51]:
           2 def fetch1(obj,index):
                  print(obj[index])
             list1=[3,4,5,6]
             try:
                  fetch1(list1,1)
             finally:
                  print('must print')
             list2=[1,2,3,4]
          10 try:
                  fetch1(list1,6)
          12 finally:
                  print('must print')
         must print
         must print
         IndexError
         <ipython-input-51-9d62c2cebbff> in <module>
               8 list2=[1,2,3,4]
               9 try:
                     fetch1(list1,6)
               11 finally:
                      print('must print')
```



Try/except/else statement

- The try is a compound statement.
- It starts with a try header line, followed by a block of (usually) indented statements, then one or more except clauses that identify exceptions to be caught, and an optional else clause at the end.

```
try:
                                # Run this main action first
    <statements>
except <name1>:
    <statements>
                                # Run if name1 is raised during try block
except (name2, name3):
    <statements>
                                # Run if any of these exceptions occur
except <name4> as <data>:
    <statements>
                                # Run if name4 is raised, and get instance raised
except:
    <statements>
                                # Run for all (other) exceptions raised
else:
                                # Run if no exception was raised during try block
    <statements>
```



Try statement clause

- a variety of clauses can appear after the try header.
- Must use at least one.

Clause form	Interpretation
except:	Catch all (or all other) exception types.
except name:	Catch a specific exception only.
except name as value:	Catch the listed exception and its instance.
except (name1, name2):	Catch any of the listed exceptions.
except (name1, name2) as value:	Catch any listed exception and its instance.
else:	Run if no exceptions are raised.
finally:	Always perform this block.

```
In [56]:
           1 try:
                  a=10
                  b=20
                  print(a+b)
                 lst=[10,12,34,45]
                  print(lst[5])
           7 except NameError:
                  print('Name error happened')
             except IndexError:
                  print('Out of index error')
          11 except (NameError, IndexError):
                  print('Multiplt')
          13 else:
                  print('No error occur')
          15 finally:
                  print('must call')
```



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