

# Ch16-Exceptions

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## 1 Exceptions

<http://openbookproject.net/thinkcs/python/english3e/exceptions.html> - dealing with bugs is normal part of programming - debugging is a very handy programming skill

### 1.1 category of bugs

- syntax errors
- logical/semantic errors
- runtime errors/exceptions

### 1.2 exceptions

- when runtime error occurs, it creates an exception object
- program halts; Python prints out the traceback with error message
- <https://docs.python.org/3/tutorial/errors.html>

```
[1]: print(55/0)
```

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ZeroDivisionError                                Traceback (most recent call last)  
<ipython-input-1-ef255b193978> in <module>()  
----> 1 print(55/0)  
  
ZeroDivisionError: division by zero
```

```
[2]: alist = []  
     print(alist[0])
```

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IndexError                                Traceback (most recent call last)  
<ipython-input-2-d994a3a20fe2> in <module>()  
      1 alist = []  
----> 2 print(alist[0])  
  
IndexError: list index out of range
```

```
[3]: atup = ('a', 'b', 'c')
      atup[0] = 'A'
```

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TypeError                                Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-3-8aeda75553d6> in <module>()
      1 atup = ('a', 'b', 'c')
----> 2 atup[0] = 'A'

TypeError: 'tuple' object does not support item assignment
```

- each exception has two parts- Name: description

### 1.3 catching exceptions

- use try and except blocks
- try statement has several separate clauses/parts
- [] optional

#### 1.3.1 example 1

```
[6]: try:
      x = int(input("Enter dividend: "))
      y = int(input("Enter divisor: "))
      quotient = x/y
      remainder = x%y
    except ZeroDivisionError as ex:
      print('Exception occurred:', ex)
      print('arguments:', ex.args)
    except:
      print('Some exception occurred...')
    else:
      print("quotient=", quotient)
      print("remainder=", remainder)
    finally:
      print("executing finally clause")
```

```
Enter dividend: 10
Enter divisor: 2
quotient= 5.0
remainder= 0
executing finally clause
```

```
[ ]:
```

### 1.3.2 example 2

- input validation

```
[7]: while True:
      try:
          x = int(input("Please enter a number: "))
          break
      except ValueError:
          print("Oops! That was not a valid number. Try again...")
```

```
Please enter a number: f
Oops! That was not a valid number. Try again...
Please enter a number: dsaf
Oops! That was not a valid number. Try again...
Please enter a number: adsf
Oops! That was not a valid number. Try again...
Please enter a number: asdf
Oops! That was not a valid number. Try again...
Please enter a number: 10
```

## 1.4 raising exceptions

- raise statement allows programmer to throw their own exceptions

### 1.4.1 example 1

```
[8]: raise NameError("MyException")
```

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NameError                                Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-8-290333e3086c> in <module>()
----> 1 raise NameError("MyException")

NameError: MyException
```

```
[9]: try:
      raise NameError('My Exception')
except NameError:
    print('An exception flew by...')
    raise
```

An exception flew by...

```
-----
NameError                                Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-9-9b6ca7775e88> in <module>()
      1 try:
```

```

----> 2     raise NameError('My Exception')
      3 except NameError:
      4     print('An exception flew by...')
      5     raise

```

```
NameError: My Exception
```

## 1.5 user-defined exceptions

- one can define their own exceptions and raise them as needed
- should typically derive from the Exception class, either directly or indirectly

### 1.5.1 example 1

```

[12]: class InputError(Exception):
      """
      Exception raised for errors in the input.
      
      Attributes:
      expression -- input expression in which the error occurred
      message -- explanation of the error
      """
      def __init__(self, expression, message):
          self.expression = expression
          self.message = message

```

```
[13]: help(InputError)
```

Help on class InputError in module \_\_main\_\_:

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class InputError(builtins.Exception)
| Exception raised for errors in the input.
|
| Attributes:
| expression -- input expression in which the error occurred
| message -- explanation of the error
|
| Method resolution order:
|   InputError
|   builtins.Exception
|   builtins.BaseException
|   builtins.object
|
| Methods defined here:
|
| __init__(self, expression, message)

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|         Initialize self.  See help(type(self)) for accurate signature.
|
| -----
| Data descriptors defined here:
|
|     __weakref__
|         list of weak references to the object (if defined)
|
| -----
| Methods inherited from builtins.Exception:
|
|     __new__(*args, **kwargs) from builtins.type
|         Create and return a new object.  See help(type) for accurate signature.
|
| -----
| Methods inherited from builtins.BaseException:
|
|     __delattr__(self, name, /)
|         Implement delattr(self, name).
|
|     __getattr__(self, name, /)
|         Return getattr(self, name).
|
|     __reduce__(...)
|         helper for pickle
|
|     __repr__(self, /)
|         Return repr(self).
|
|     __setattr__(self, name, value, /)
|         Implement setattr(self, name, value).
|
|     __setstate__(...)
|
|     __str__(self, /)
|         Return str(self).
|
| with_traceback(...)
|     Exception.with_traceback(tb) --
|         set self.__traceback__ to tb and return self.
|
| -----
| Data descriptors inherited from builtins.BaseException:
|
|     __cause__
|         exception cause
|
|     __context__

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```
|      exception context
|
|      __dict__
|
|      __suppress_context__
|
|      __traceback__
|
|      args
```

```
[1]: def getInteger():
      x = input('Enter an integer number: ')
      if not x.isdigit():
          raise InputError(x, 'That is not an integer!')
      return int(x)
```

```
[15]: x = getInteger()
      print(x)
```

Enter an integer number: dsaf

```
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InputError                                Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-15-f90a077ee9cc> in <module>()
----> 1 x = getInteger()
      2 print(x)

<ipython-input-14-6a80b90df6da> in getInteger()
      2     x = input('Enter an integer number: ')
      3     if not x.isdigit():
----> 4         raise InputError(x, 'That is not an integer!')
      5     return int(x)

InputError: ('dsaf', 'That is not an integer!')
```

## 1.6 catch user-defined exception

```
[2]: try:
      x = getInteger() #may throw InputError
      except InputError as ie:
          print('Exception:', ie)
          # can throw ie again
      else:
          print('{}^2 = {}'.format(x, x**2))
```

Enter an integer number: 10

$$10^2 = 100$$

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