

## **KOLT Python**Error Handling, File Input & Output

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### **Agenda**

Python Data Model Data Structures

1. File Input/Output

2. Error/Exception Handling





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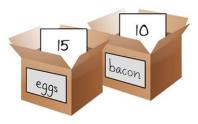


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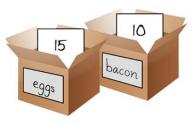
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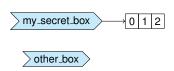


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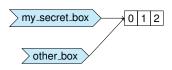


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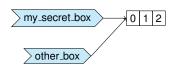


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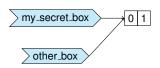


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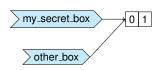


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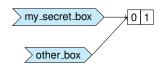


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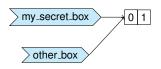
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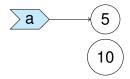
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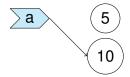
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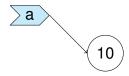
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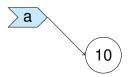
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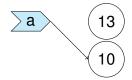
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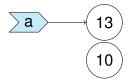
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Each object has an identity, this value can be obtained by using id() function.

== operator compares values, is operator compares identities.

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b = 1000
a == b \# => True
a is b \# => False
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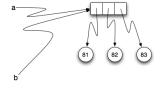
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# **Aliasing & Cloning**

- More than one variables can refer to same object!
- What if we want to clone/copy instead of aliasing?
- For lists, list.copy() ⇒ returns a shallow copy of the list.
- Shallow: only copy the references, not inner values.



• >>> import copy
copy.copy(x): shallow copy, copy.deepcopy(x): deepcopy



# **Tuples**

- **Immutable** sequence(ordered) of elements.
- Similar to lists, you can use **indexing**, **slicing**, and iterate over using for loops.
- Elements cannot be added/removed/changed once the tuple is created.
- How to create tuples? my\_tuple = (1, [1, 2], 'a')
- len (my\_tuple)  $\Rightarrow 3$
- my\_tuple.append(3) ⇒ AttributeError:
   'tuple' object has no attribute 'append'



# **Tuples**

() / tuple(): empty tuple, (3): int 3, (3,): tuple containing 3

```
mv list = [1, 2, 3]
my\_tuple = ('a', my\_list) # ('a', [1, 2, 3, 1])
my list.append(4)
print (my tuple)
mv list += [5, 6, 7] # mv list.extend(...)
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my\_tuple += (1, 2) \# my\_tuple = my\_tuple + (1)
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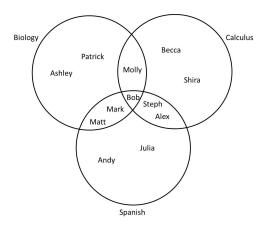
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gul sena = {'Gamze', 'Ata', 'Zevnep'}
hasan_can = {'Gamze', 'Berker', 'Cemre'}
ahmet = {'Irem', 'Demet', 'Ekin'}
# intersection &
print(gul sena.intersection(hasan can)) # => { 'Gamze'}
print(ceren & gul sena) # => set()
# union I
print(ceren.union(ahmet)) # => {'Ekin', 'Irem', 'Demet',
                           # 'Marco', 'Sunduz'}
print(hasan can | ceren | gul sena | ahmet) # => all names
# difference -
print((qul sena - hasan can)) # => {'Zeynep', 'Ata'}
# symmetric difference ^
print(ceren.symmetric_difference(ahmet))
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                'Emir': ['psychology', 'master'],
                'Emirhan': ['business administration',
                'Furkan': ['law', 'junior'],
                'Mahsa': ['material science', 'phd'],
                'Meva': ['international relations', 'fr
for student, info in my students.items():
    print(f'{student} studies {info[0]}')
# Emir left my class : (
my_students.pop('Emir')
# someone new in my class
my_students['Canan'] = ['industrial engineering', 'juni
# Ayse passed another year
my_students['Ayse'][1] = 'sophomore'
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#### What if something bad happens before we close the file?

```
f = open('my_file.txt', 'r') as f:
    # Content of my_file.txt: '1,0,2'
values = f.read().split(',')
# What happens
result = int(values[0]) / int(values[1]) + int(values[1])
f.close()
```

```
# Safer approach, file is closed
# even when we encounter an exception
with open('my_file.txt', 'w') as f:
    f.write('Hello, world!')
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while True:
print('Hello')
```

# IndentationError: expected an indented block

Easy to detect: Your code will not work:)



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3. Error/Exception Handling

## **Runtime Exceptions**

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### **Try Except Blocks**

```
try:
    <risky-statements>
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    <riskv-statements>
except ValueError as valError:
    print('value error', valError)
except (RuntimeError, TypeError, NameError):
    print('One of the above errors, but not ValueError')
else:
    print('No errors')
finally:
    print('This always runs')
```

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```
def divide(x, y):
    try:
        result = x / y
    except ZeroDivisionError:
        print("division by zero!")
    else:
        print("result is", result)
    finally:
        print("executing finally clause")
```