## Logging

Python provides a standard and configurable logging facility. You can set up the collection of loggers & handlers separately from their actual *use* in your program.

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In [1]: import logging
        logging.basicConfig()
        log = logging.getLogger()
Out[1]: <logging.RootLogger at 0x25a34d0>
In [2]: log.log(logging.CRITICAL, 'This is a critical message')
        log.log(logging.FATAL, 'This is a fatal message')
        CRITICAL:root:This is a critical messageCRITICAL:root:This is a fatal message
In [3]: logging.CRITICAL, logging.ERROR, logging.WARN, logging.INFO, logging.DEBUG
Out[3]: (50, 40, 30, 20, 10)
In [4]: log.critical('This is critical')
        CRITICAL: root: This is critical
In [5]: log.error('This is an error')
        log.warn('This is a warning')
        log.info('This is info')
        log.debug('This is debug')
        ERROR:root:This is an errorWARNING:root:This is a warning
In [6]: log.setLevel(logging.DEBUG)
In [7]: log.error('This is an error')
        log.warn('This is a warning')
        log.info('This is info')
        log.debug('This is debug')
        ERROR:root:This is an errorWARNING:root:This is a warningINFO:root:This is infoDEBUG:root:This is
In [8]: log.info('This is a message with an argument %r', 'The argument')
        INFO:root:This is a message with an argument 'The argument'
```

## **Sub-loggers**

We can configure "child loggers" of the root logger by passing a name to the getLogger function:

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In [9]:    root = logging.getLogger()
    mylogger = logging.getLogger('mylogger')
    mylogger.setLevel(logging.INFO)
    root.debug('The root logger will print debug information')
    mylogger.debug('mylogger will not')

DEBUG:root:The root logger will print debug information

In [10]:    mylogger.info('Information will propagate up to other loggers')
    mylogger.propagate = 0
    mylogger.info('But not if we set propagate to 0')

INFO:mylogger:Information will propagate up to other loggersNo handlers could be found for logger.
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## Handlers and formatters

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In [11]: handler = logging.StreamHandler()
    mylogger.handlers = [handler]
    mylogger.info('Now this is being handled by mylogger')

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In [12]: handler.setLevel(logging.WARN)
    mylogger.info('Now this is suppressed by the handler')

In [13]: handler.setLevel(logging.INFO)
    handler.formatter = logging.Formatter('%(levelname)s:%(message)s')
    mylogger.info('This is a message')

INFO:This is a message

If we set propagate back to 1, we'll see "doubled" messages:

In [14]: mylogger.propagate = 1
    mylogger.info('Hello, there')

INFO:Hello, thereINFO:mylogger:Hello, there
```

## **Logging Configuration**

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```
In [27]: import sys
         import logging.config
         config = {
              'version': 1,
              'loggers': {
                  'root': {
                      'level': logging.ERROR,
                      'handlers': ['stream' ] },
                  'mylogger2': {
                      'level': logging.INFO,
                      'handlers': [ 'stream', 'file'] } },
              'handlers': {
                  'stream': {
                      'class': 'logging.StreamHandler',
                      'formatter': 'basic',
                      'stream': sys.stdout },
                 'file': {
                      'class': 'logging.FileHandler',
                      'formatter': 'precise',
                      'filename': '/tmp/logfile.log',
                      'mode': 'w' } },
             'formatters': {
                  'basic': {
                      'format': '%(levelname)-8s %(message)s' },
                  'precise': {
                      'format': '%(asctime)s %(levelname)-8s %(name)-15s %(message)s',
                      'datefmt': '%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S' } }
         }
         logging.config.dictConfig(config)
         root = logging.getLogger()
         mylogger2 = logging.getLogger('mylogger2')
         root.error('error from root')
         mylogger2.error('error from mylogger')
         mylogger2.info('info from mylogger')
        ERROR:root:error from root
               error from mylogger
        ERROR:mylogger2:error from mylogger
                info from mylogger
        INFO
        INFO:mylogger2:info from mylogger
In [28]: print open('/tmp/logfile.log').read()
        2012-10-07 16:47:15 ERROR
                                      mylogger2
                                                      error from mylogger
        2012-10-07 16:47:15 INFO
                                      mylogger2
                                                      info from mylogger
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