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Foundations of Programming: Python

Assignment 06

https://github.com/megaryanc/IntroToProg-Python-Mod06

Functions

Introduction

Assignment 06 focused on writing classes to simplify the script. It added a technique of creating classes to simplify the functions to be easily recallable. PyCharm IDE was used for the script with basic outline provided as a starter file.

Define Data Constants and Variables

Data constants and variables were all the same from assignment 05 apart from student_data being defined as a dictionary and using json_data.

Processing

The first class created in the script was for file processing. The definitions were from lab3 and it had functions to read/write file with exceptions. The following class with functions are shown in figure 1.

```
class FileProcessor:  2 usages
    ChangeLog: (Who, When, What)
    RRoot,1.1.2030,Created Class
    """
    def read_data_from_file(file_name: str, student_data: list):  1 usage
        """ This function reads data from a json file and loads into a list of dictionary rows
            ChangeLog: (Who, When, What)
            RRoot,1.3.2030,Created function
            :return: list
            """
        try:
            file = open(file_name, "r")
            student_data = json.load(file)
            file.close()
        except Exception as e:
            IO.output_error_messages(message="Error: There was a problem with reading the file.", error=e)
        finally:
            if file.closed == False:
                file.close()
            return student_data

    def write_data_to_file(file_name: str, student_data: list):  1 usage
        """ This function write data to json file with data from a list of dictionary rows
             ChangeLog: (Who, When, What)
             RRoot,1.3.2030,Created function
            :return: none
             """
        try:
            file = open(file_name, "w")
            json.dump(student_data, file)
            file.close()
            IO.output_student_courses(student_data=student_data)
        except Exception as e:
            message = "Error: There was a problem with writing to the file.\n"
            message += "Please check that the file is not open by another program."
            IO.output_error_messages(message=message, error=e)
        finally:
            if file.closed == False:
                file.close()
```

Figure 1.class for FileProcessor.

The second class was created for the menu choices that previously had a function to each one. Figure 2 shows the various definitions created for each menu choice. The following definitions were recalled using their functions. The script was referenced from lab 03.

```python
# Presentation ------------------------------------ #
class IO:  10 usages
    @staticmethod  5 usages
    def output_error_messages(message: str, error: Exception = None):
        """ This function displays the a custom error messages to the user

        ChangeLog: (Who, When, What)
        RRoot,1.3.2030,Created function

        :return: None
        """
        print(message, end="\n\n")
        if error is not None:
            print("-- Technical Error Message -- ")
            print(error, error.__doc__, type(error), sep='\n')
    @staticmethod  1 usage
    def output_menu(menu: str):
        """ This function displays the a menu of choices to the user

        ChangeLog: (Who, When, What)
        RRoot,1.3.2030,Created function

        :return: None
        """
        print()
        print(menu)
        print()  # Adding extra space to make it look nicer.
    @staticmethod  1 usage
    def input_menu_choice():
        """ This function gets a menu choice from the user
        :return: string with the users choice
        """
        choice = "0"
        try:
            choice = input("Enter your menu choice number: ")
            if choice not in ("1", "2", "3", "4"):  # Note these are strings
                raise Exception("Please, choose only 1, 2, 3, or 4")
        except Exception as e:
```

Figure 2. examples of definitions created.

Testing

The program was tested in PyCharm and CMD with the results shown in figure 3 and 4. The proper error handling was examined with if multiple registrations were taking place. The file output was to json with the result show in in figure 5.

```
Enter your menu choice number: 2
-------------------------------------------------
Student Bob Smith is enrolled in Python 100
Student Sue Jones is enrolled in Python 100
Student Ryan Choi is enrolled in Python 100
-------------------------------------------------


---- Course Registration Program ----
  Select from the following menu:
    1. Register a Student for a Course.
    2. Show current data.
    3. Save data to a file.
    4. Exit the program.
----------------------------------------


Enter your menu choice number: 12
Please, choose only 1, 2, 3, or 4

Please only choose option 1, 2, or 3


---- Course Registration Program ----
  Select from the following menu:
    1. Register a Student for a Course.
    2. Show current data.
    3. Save data to a file.
    4. Exit the program.
----------------------------------------


Enter your menu choice number: 1
Enter the student's first name: 1
One of the values was not the correct type of data!
```

Figure 3. Demonstrates the requirements being met on PyCharm with error handling and multiple registrations.

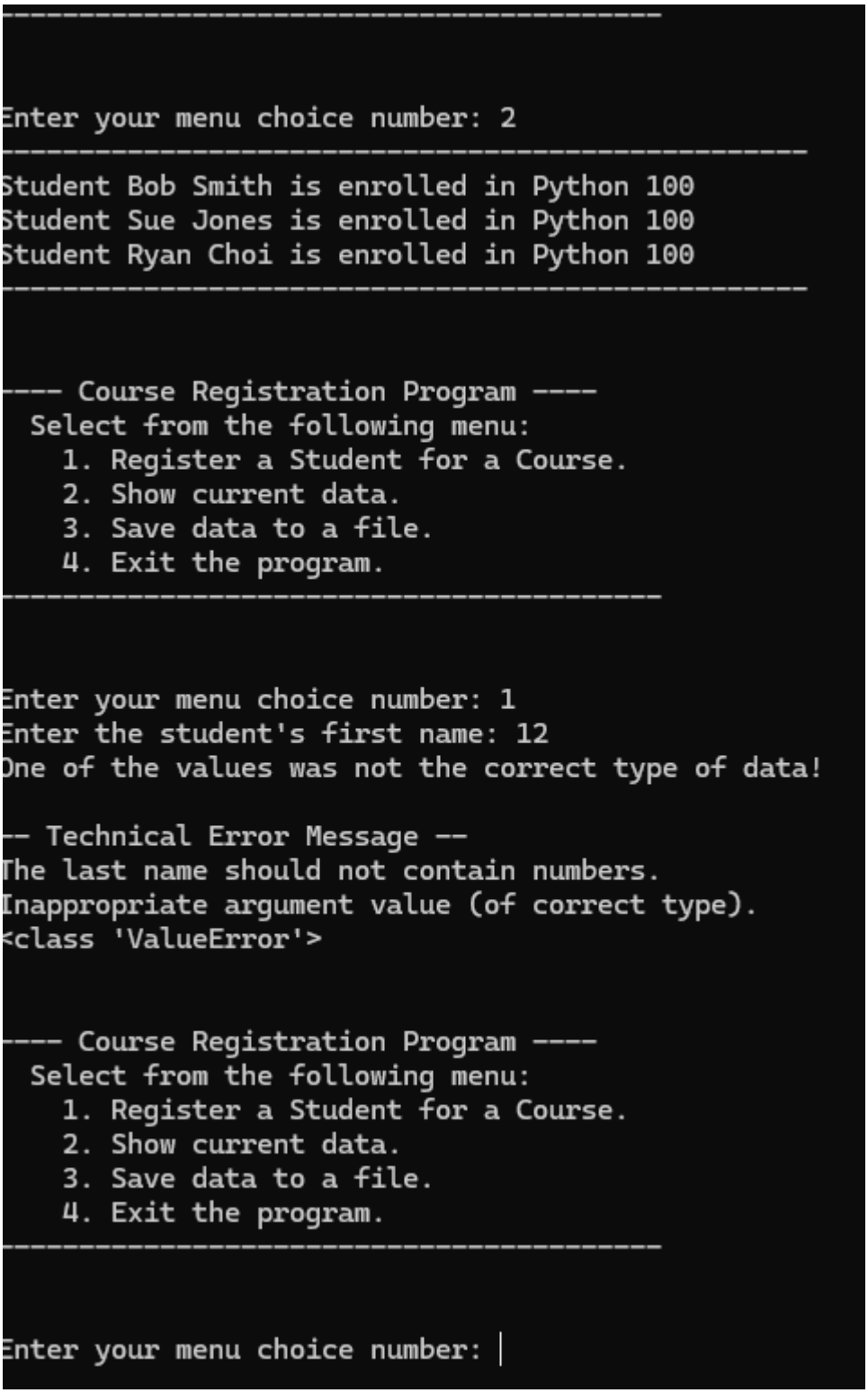

Figure 4. Demonstrates the requirements being met on CMD.

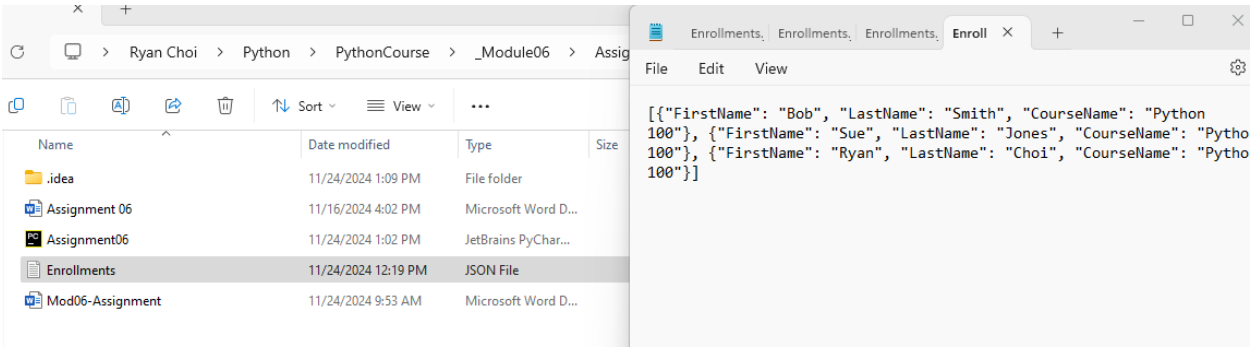

Figure 5. Data recorded in the csv.

Summary

The assignment was useful in learning how to write classes to organize the functions. It was simpler to understand the script and I will use this technique when writing longer scripts.