

CDInventory.py Script with Error Handling and Binary Data Storage

Introduction

This document outlines the steps required for adding structured error handling around the areas where there is user interaction, type casting (*e.g.*, string to integer), or file access operations. The script is a continuation of Assignment 06 and includes classes and functions to load CD data from CDInventory.dat file, enter CD data, view the current inventory, delete DC data from inventory, save data to CDInventory.dat data file, and exit the program. In contrast to the previous assignment, Assignment 07 uses CDInventory.dat file for both reading and storing the CD inventory binary data. The script was written in the Spyder IDE, and its successful operation was shown in Spyder and anaconda terminal. Finally, the document summarizes my learnings from Module 7.

Steps:

One of the most common errors encountered in this script was the *ValueError* as shown in **Listing 1**. Whenever user wants to add a new CD entry to the inventory, the CD ID must be an integer. Otherwise, *ValueError* is displayed on the screen. To be able to handle this error type, try-except structured error handling construct was included under the *add_to_table()* function (**Listing 1**, line 39 – 44). When this type of error is encountered, the script warns user to input an integer number.

```
1  #-----#
2  # Title: CDInventory.py
3  # Desc: Script CDInventory with Structured Error Handling and Binary Data Storage
4  # Change Log: (Who, When, What)
5  # DBiesinger, 2030-Jan-01, Created File #
6  # MYokus, 2021-Aug-22, Added Code
7  #-----#
8
9  import pickle
10 import os.path #Common pathname manipulation
11
12 #--DATA--#
13 strChoice = '' # User input
14 lstTbl = [] # list of lists to hold data
15 dicRow = {} # list of data row
16 read_FileName = '' # data storage file to read from
17 save_FileName = 'CDInventory.dat' # data storage file
18 objFile = None # file object
19
20
21 #--PROCESSING--#
22 class DataProcessor:
23     """Processing the data in a 2D table (list of dicts)"""
24
25     @staticmethod
26     def add_to_table(inputs, table):
27         """Function to add a list to a 2D table (list of dicts)
28         .....
29         .....Add user inputs (a List) to the main inventory table (list of dicts)
30         .....
31         .....Args:
32         .....inputs (List): user inputs (ID, title, artist)
33         .....table (List of dict): 2D data structure (list of dicts) that holds the data during runtime
34         .....
35         .....Returns:
36         .....None
37         ....."""
38         try:
39             dicRow = {'ID': int(inputs[0]), 'Title': inputs[1], 'Artist': inputs[2]}
40             table.append(dicRow)
41         except ValueError as e:
42             print('That is not an integer!')
43             print('Build in error info:')
44             print(type(e), e, e.__doc__, sep='\n')
45
```

Listing 1- Adding CD entry to the inventory and *ValueError* handling for CD ID.

Another common type of error encountered in this script was *FileNotFoundError*. The script displays this type of error if the filename does not exist to read data from CDInventory.txt or CDInventory.dat file or to write data to CDInventory.dat file. To be able to handle this error, try-except structured error handling constructs were included under *read_file()*, *read_Textfile()*, and *write_file()* functions (**Listing 2**, **3**, and **4**). When this type of error is encountered, the script displays an error to the user similar to the following message “The file does not exist”.

```

72 class FileProcessor:
73     """Processing the data to and from text file"""
74
75     @staticmethod
76     def read_file(file_name):
77         """Function to manage data ingestion from a binary file to a list of dictionaries
78
79         Reads the data from a binary file identified by file_name into a 2D table
80         (list of dicts) table one line in the file represents one dictionary row in table.
81
82         Args:
83             file_name (string): name of file used to read the data from
84
85         Returns:
86             data (list of dict): 2D data structure (list of dicts)
87         """
88
89         try:
90             data = []
91             with open(file_name, 'rb') as fileObj:
92                 data = pickle.load(fileObj)
93             return data
94         except FileNotFoundError as e:
95             print('Binary file does not exist!')
96             print('Build in error info:')
97             print(type(e), e, e.__doc__, sep='\n')
98

```

Listing 2 – Reading from a binary file and FileNotFoundError handling.

```

99     @staticmethod
100     def read_Textfile(file_name, table):
101         """Function to manage data ingestion from a text file to a list of dictionaries
102
103         Reads the data from a text file identified by file_name into a 2D table
104         (list of dicts) table one line in the file represents one dictionary row in table.
105
106         Args:
107             file_name (string): name of file used to read the data from
108             table (list of dict): 2D data structure (list of dicts) that holds the data during runtime
109
110         Returns:
111             None.
112         """
113
114         try:
115             table.clear() # this clears existing data and allows to load data from file
116             objFile = open(file_name, 'r')
117             for line in objFile:
118                 data = line.strip().split(',') # data type: list
119                 dicRow = {'ID': int(data[0]), 'Title': data[1], 'Artist': data[2]} # data type: dictionary
120                 table.append(dicRow) # data type: list
121             objFile.close()
122         except FileNotFoundError as e:
123             print('Text file does not exist!')
124             print('Build in error info:')
125             print(type(e), e, e.__doc__, sep='\n')
126

```

Listing 3 – Reading from a text file and FileNotFoundError handling.

```

128     ...@staticmethod
129     ...def write_file(file_name, table):
130     ....."""Function to save a 2D table (a list of dictionaries) to file via pickle
131
132     .....Saves the data in a file identified by file_name into a .dat file
133
134     .....Args:
135     .....file_name (string): name of file used to save the data to
136     .....table (list of dict): 2D data structure (list of dicts) that holds the data during runtime
137
138     .....Returns:
139     .....None.
140     ....."""
141     .....try:
142     .....with open(file_name, 'wb') as fileObj:
143     .....pickle.dump(table, fileObj)
144     .....except FileNotFoundError as e:
145     .....print('Binary file does not exist!')
146     .....print('Build in error info:')
147     .....print(type(e), e, e.__doc__, sep='\n')
148

```

Listing 4 – Writing to a binary file and FileNotFoundError handling.

In this assignment, the script uses CDInventory.dat to read and write the binary CD inventory data via pickle module. However, when the script is initialized for the first time, the CDInventory.dat file does not exist in the directory. Therefore, the current CD inventory data needs to be loaded to the memory from the CDInventory.txt file. This was accomplished by importing *os.path* module at the beginning of the script (**Listing 1**, Line 10) and including *os.path.isfile()* function in the CD data loading section (**Listing 5**, line 246 to 251). Briefly, if the CDInventory.dat file does not exist in the directory, the script uses *read_Textfile()* function to read the data from the CDInventory.txt file (**Fig. 7**), which happens on the first run of the script. Once the CD inventory data is saved to the CDInventory.dat file as binary data (**Fig. 8**), the script uses *read_file()* function and CDInventory.dat file to read the binary data to the memory in the subsequent runs of the script.

```

220 # 1. When program starts, read in the currently saved Inventory
221 #FileProcessor.read_file(strFileName, lstTbl)
222 if os.path.isfile('CDInventory.dat'): # if "CDInventory.dat" exists, use function "read_file()"
223     read_FileName = 'CDInventory.dat'
224     lstTbl = FileProcessor.read_file(read_FileName)
225 else: # if "CDInventory.txt" exists, use function "read_Textfile()"
226     read_FileName = 'CDInventory.txt'
227     FileProcessor.read_Textfile(read_FileName, lstTbl)
228
229
230 # 2. start main loop
231 while True:
232     # 2.1 Display Menu to user and get choice
233     IO.print_menu()
234     strChoice = IO.menu_choice()
235
236     # 3. Process menu selection
237     # 3.1 process exit first
238     if strChoice == 'x':
239         break
240     # 3.2 process load inventory
241     if strChoice == 'l':
242         print('WARNING: If you continue, all unsaved data will be lost and the Inventory re-loaded from file.')
243         strYesNo = input('type \'yes\' to continue and reload from file. otherwise reload will be canceled.')
244         if strYesNo.lower() == 'yes':
245             print('\nreloading...')
246             if os.path.isfile('CDInventory.dat'): # if "CDInventory.dat" exists, use function "read_file()"
247                 read_FileName = 'CDInventory.dat'
248                 lstTbl = FileProcessor.read_file(read_FileName)
249             else: # if "CDInventory.txt" exists, use function "read_Textfile()"
250                 read_FileName = 'CDInventory.txt'
251                 FileProcessor.read_Textfile(read_FileName, lstTbl)
252             IO.show_inventory(lstTbl)
253         else:
254             input('canceling... Inventory data NOT reloaded. Press [ENTER] to continue to the menu.')
255             IO.show_inventory(lstTbl)
256         continue # start loop back at top.

```

Listing 5 – `os.path.isfile()` function. Reading from “CDInventory.txt” file if CDInventory.dat file does not exist on the first run in the file directory. For the subsequent runs, the script reads binary data from “CDInventory.dat” file.

Successful operation of the script in Spyder IDE was provided in **Figure 1, 2, and 3.**

```
In [334]: runfile('C:/programming/Assignment07/CDInventory.py', wdir='C:/programming/Assignment07')

Menu

[l] load Inventory from file
[a] Add CD
[i] Display Current Inventory
[d] delete CD from Inventory
[s] Save Inventory to file
[x] exit

Which operation would you like to perform? [l, a, i, d, s or x]: l

WARNING: If you continue, all unsaved data will be lost and the Inventory re-loaded from file.

type 'yes' to continue and reload from file. otherwise reload will be canceled. yes

reloading...
===== The Current Inventory: =====
ID  CD Title (by: Artist)

1   TitleA (by:ArtistA)
2   TitleB (by:ArtistB)
3   TitleC (by:ArtistC)
=====

Menu

[l] load Inventory from file
[a] Add CD
[i] Display Current Inventory
[d] delete CD from Inventory
[s] Save Inventory to file
[x] exit
```

Figure 1 – Successful run of the script in Spyder IDE [1/3].

```

Which operation would you like to perform? [l, a, i, d, s or x]: a

Enter ID: 4

What is the CD's title? NewTitle

What is the Artist's name? NewArtist

===== The Current Inventory: =====
ID  CD Title (by: Artist)

1   TitleA (by:ArtistA)
2   TitleB (by:ArtistB)
3   TitleC (by:ArtistC)
4   NewTitle (by:NewArtist)
=====

Menu

[l] load Inventory from file
[a] Add CD
[i] Display Current Inventory
[d] delete CD from Inventory
[s] Save Inventory to file
[x] exit

Which operation would you like to perform? [l, a, i, d, s or x]: i

===== The Current Inventory: =====
ID  CD Title (by: Artist)

1   TitleA (by:ArtistA)
2   TitleB (by:ArtistB)
3   TitleC (by:ArtistC)
4   NewTitle (by:NewArtist)
=====

Menu

[l] load Inventory from file
[a] Add CD
[i] Display Current Inventory
[d] delete CD from Inventory
[s] Save Inventory to file
[x] exit

```

Figure 2– Successful run of the script in Spyder IDE [2/3].

```

Which operation would you like to perform? [l, a, i, d, s or x]: d

===== The Current Inventory: =====
ID  CD Title (by: Artist)

1   TitleA (by:ArtistA)
2   TitleB (by:ArtistB)
3   TitleC (by:ArtistC)
4   NewTitle (by:NewArtist)
=====

Which ID would you like to delete? 4
The CD was removed
===== The Current Inventory: =====
ID  CD Title (by: Artist)

1   TitleA (by:ArtistA)
2   TitleB (by:ArtistB)
3   TitleC (by:ArtistC)
=====

Menu

[l] load Inventory from file
[a] Add CD
[i] Display Current Inventory
[d] delete CD from Inventory
[s] Save Inventory to file
[x] exit

Which operation would you like to perform? [l, a, i, d, s or x]: s

===== The Current Inventory: =====
ID  CD Title (by: Artist)

1   TitleA (by:ArtistA)
2   TitleB (by:ArtistB)
3   TitleC (by:ArtistC)
=====

Save this inventory to file? [y/n] y

Menu

[l] load Inventory from file
[a] Add CD
[i] Display Current Inventory
[d] delete CD from Inventory
[s] Save Inventory to file
[x] exit

Which operation would you like to perform? [l, a, i, d, s or x]: x

```

Figure 3– Successful run of the script in Spyder IDE [3/3].

Successful operation of the script in Anaconda Terminal was provided in **Figure 4, 5,** and **6.** The screenshot of the CDInventory.txt and CDInventory.dat files are given in **Figure 7** and **8.**

```
Anaconda Prompt (anaconda3)

(base) C:\Users\Murat Yukus>cd C:\programming\Assignment07

(base) C:\programming\Assignment07>python CDInventory.py

Menu

[1] load Inventory from file
[a] Add CD
[i] Display Current Inventory
[d] delete CD from Inventory
[s] Save Inventory to file
[x] exit

Which operation would you like to perform? [1, a, i, d, s or x]: 1

WARNING: If you continue, all unsaved data will be lost and the Inventory re-loaded from file.
type 'yes' to continue and reload from file. otherwise reload will be canceled. yes

reloading...
===== The Current Inventory: =====
ID      CD Title (by: Artist)
1       TitleA (by:ArtistA)
2       TitleB (by:ArtistB)
3       TitleC (by:ArtistC)
=====

Menu

[1] load Inventory from file
[a] Add CD
[i] Display Current Inventory
[d] delete CD from Inventory
[s] Save Inventory to file
[x] exit
```

Figure 4 – Successful run of the script in terminal [1/3].

```

Which operation would you like to perform? [l, a, i, d, s or x]: a

Enter ID: 4
What is the CD's title? NewTitle
What is the Artist's name? NewArtist

===== The Current Inventory: =====
ID      CD Title (by: Artist)

1       TitleA (by:ArtistA)
2       TitleB (by:ArtistB)
3       TitleC (by:ArtistC)
4       NewTitle (by:NewArtist)
=====

Menu

[l] load Inventory from file
[a] Add CD
[i] Display Current Inventory
[d] delete CD from Inventory
[s] Save Inventory to file
[x] exit

Which operation would you like to perform? [l, a, i, d, s or x]: i

===== The Current Inventory: =====
ID      CD Title (by: Artist)

1       TitleA (by:ArtistA)
2       TitleB (by:ArtistB)
3       TitleC (by:ArtistC)
4       NewTitle (by:NewArtist)
=====

Menu

[l] load Inventory from file
[a] Add CD
[i] Display Current Inventory
[d] delete CD from Inventory
[s] Save Inventory to file
[x] exit

```

Figure 5 – Successful run of the script in terminal [2/3].

```
Which operation would you like to perform? [l, a, i, d, s or x]: d

===== The Current Inventory: =====
ID      CD Title (by: Artist)

1       TitleA (by:ArtistA)
2       TitleB (by:ArtistB)
3       TitleC (by:ArtistC)
4       NewTitle (by:NewArtist)
=====

Which ID would you like to delete? 4
The CD was removed
===== The Current Inventory: =====
ID      CD Title (by: Artist)

1       TitleA (by:ArtistA)
2       TitleB (by:ArtistB)
3       TitleC (by:ArtistC)
=====

Menu

[l] load Inventory from file
[a] Add CD
[i] Display Current Inventory
[d] delete CD from Inventory
[s] Save Inventory to file
[x] exit

Which operation would you like to perform? [l, a, i, d, s or x]: s

===== The Current Inventory: =====
ID      CD Title (by: Artist)

1       TitleA (by:ArtistA)
2       TitleB (by:ArtistB)
3       TitleC (by:ArtistC)
=====

Save this inventory to file? [y/n] y

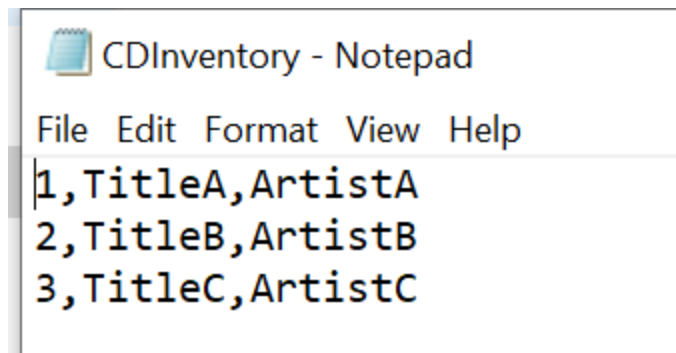
Menu

[l] load Inventory from file
[a] Add CD
[i] Display Current Inventory
[d] delete CD from Inventory
[s] Save Inventory to file
[x] exit

Which operation would you like to perform? [l, a, i, d, s or x]: x

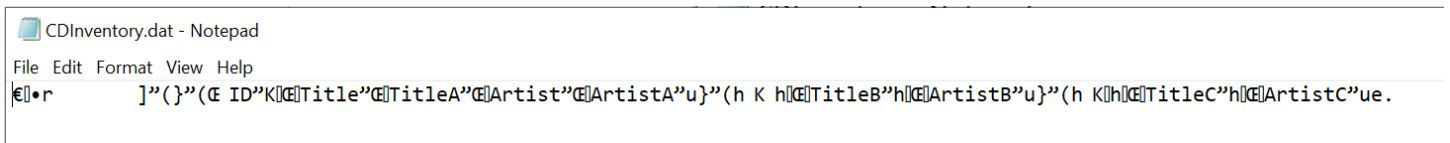
(base) C:\programming\Assignment07>
```

Figure 6 – Successful run of the script in terminal [3/3].



```
CDInventory - Notepad
File Edit Format View Help
1,TitleA,ArtistA
2,TitleB,ArtistB
3,TitleC,ArtistC
```

Figure 7– Content of the CDInventory.txt file. This text file was initially used by the script to load the current inventory data to the memory if the CDInventory.dat file does not exist in the file directory.



```
CDInventory.dat - Notepad
File Edit Format View Help
{"ID":1,"Title":"TitleA","Artist":"ArtistA"}, {"ID":2,"Title":"TitleB","Artist":"ArtistB"}, {"ID":3,"Title":"TitleC","Artist":"ArtistC"}
```

Figure 8 – Content of the CDInventory.dat file after saving the CD inventory table to a binary file.

Useful Websites for Structured Error Handling in Python:

- <https://docs.python.org/3/library/exceptions.html>

Useful Websites for Picking in Python

- <https://www.bestprog.net/en/2020/04/30/python-binary-files-examples-of-working-with-binary-files/>
- <https://zetcode.com/python/pickle/>

GitHub Link

The knowledge document, the script, and CDInventory.txt file were uploaded to GitHub/Assignment_07 repository. Link: https://github.com/myokus/Assignment_07

Module 7: Learnings

In the Module 7, I learned and practiced the following topics.

- Structured error handling
- Binary data storage and reading

Summary

Overall, the objective of this assignment is to implement structured error handling and data storage/reading using binary files. Potential build-in Python errors (user interaction, type casting (e.g., string to integer), or file access operations) were handled using try-except blocks. Similarly, reading from and writing to binary files were done using *pickle* module.

Appendix

Listing CDInventory.py

```
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2. # Title: CDInventory.py
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6. # MYokus, 2021-Aug-22, Added Code
7. #-----#
8.
9. import pickle
10. import os.path #Common pathname manipulation
11.
12. # -- DATA -- #
13. strChoice = '' # User input
14. lstTbl = [] # list of lists to hold data
15. dicRow = {} # list of data row
16. read_FileName = '' # data storage file to read from
17. save_FileName = 'CDInventory.dat' # data storage file
18. objFile = None # file object
19.
20.
21. # -- PROCESSING -- #
22. class DataProcessor:
23.     """Processing the data in a 2D table (list of dicts)"""
24.
25.     @staticmethod
26.     def add_to_table(inputs, table):
27.         """Function to add a list to a 2D table (list of dicts)
28.
29.         Add user inputs (a list) to the main inventory table (list of dicts)
30.
31.         Args:
32.             inputs (list): user inputs (ID, title, artist)
33.             table (list of dict): 2D data structure (list of dicts) that holds the data during runtime
34.
35.         Returns:
36.             None
37.         """
38.         try:
39.             dicRow = {'ID': int(inputs[0]), 'Title': inputs[1], 'Artist': inputs[2]}
40.             table.append(dicRow)
41.         except ValueError as e:
42.             print('That is not an integer!')
43.             print('Build in error info:')
44.             print(type(e), e, e.__doc__, sep='\n')
45.
46.     @staticmethod
47.     def del_row(row_del, table):
48.         """ Function to delete a row in a 2D table
49.
50.         Deletes an entry from the main inventory table (list of dicts)
51.
52.         Args:
53.             row (int): the row number to be deleted
54.             table (list of dict): 2D data structure (list of dicts) that holds the data during runtime
55.
56.         Returns:
57.             None
58.         """
59.         intRowNr = -1
60.         blnCDRemoved = False
61.         for row in table:
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62.         intRowNr += 1
63.         if row['ID'] == row_del:
64.             del table[intRowNr]
65.             blnCDRemoved = True
66.             break
67.         if blnCDRemoved:
68.             print('The CD was removed')
69.         else:
70.             print('Could not find this CD!')
71.
72. class FileProcessor:
73.     """Processing the data to and from text file"""
74.
75.     @staticmethod
76.     def read_file(file_name):
77.         """Function to manage data ingestion from a binary file to a list of dictionaries
78.
79.         Reads the data from a binary file identified by file_name into a 2D table
80.         (list of dicts) table one line in the file represents one dictionary row in table.
81.
82.         Args:
83.             file_name (string): name of file used to read the data from
84.
85.         Returns:
86.             data (list of dict): 2D data structure (list of dicts)
87.         """
88.
89.         try:
90.             data = []
91.             with open(file_name, 'rb') as fileObj:
92.                 data = pickle.load(fileObj)
93.             return data
94.         except FileNotFoundError as e:
95.             print('Binary file does not exist!')
96.             print('Build in error info:')
97.             print(type(e), e, e.__doc__, sep='\n')
98.
99.     @staticmethod
100.    def read_Textfile(file_name, table):
101.        """Function to manage data ingestion from a text file to a list of dictionaries
102.
103.        Reads the data from a text file identified by file_name into a 2D table
104.        (list of dicts) table one line in the file represents one dictionary row in table.
105.
106.        Args:
107.            file_name (string): name of file used to read the data from
108.            table (list of dict): 2D data structure (list of dicts) that holds the data during runtime
109.
110.        Returns:
111.            None.
112.        """
113.
114.        try:
115.            table.clear() # this clears existing data and allows to load data from file
116.            objFile = open(file_name, 'r')
117.            for line in objFile:
118.                data = line.strip().split(',') # data type: List
119.                dicRow = {'ID': int(data[0]), 'Title': data[1], 'Artist': data[2]} # data type:
dictionary
120.                table.append(dicRow) # data type: List
121.            objFile.close()
122.        except FileNotFoundError as e:
123.            print('Text file does not exist!')
124.            print('Build in error info:')
125.            print(type(e), e, e.__doc__, sep='\n')

```

```

126.
127.
128. @staticmethod
129. def write_file(file_name, table):
130.     """Function to save a 2D table (a list of dictionaries) to file via pickle
131.
132.     Saves the data in a file identified by file_name into a .dat file
133.
134.     Args:
135.         file_name (string): name of file used to save the data to
136.         table (list of dict): 2D data structure (list of dicts) that holds the data during runtime
137.
138.     Returns:
139.         None.
140.     """
141.     try:
142.         with open(file_name, 'wb') as fileObj:
143.             pickle.dump(table, fileObj)
144.     except FileNotFoundError as e:
145.         print('Binary file does not exist!')
146.         print('Build in error info:')
147.         print(type(e), e, e.__doc__, sep='\n')
148.
149.
150. # -- PRESENTATION (Input/Output) -- #
151.
152. class IO:
153.     """Handling Input / Output"""
154.
155.     @staticmethod
156.     def print_menu():
157.         """Displays a menu of choices to the user
158.
159.     Args:
160.         None.
161.
162.     Returns:
163.         None.
164.     """
165.
166.     print('\nMenu\n\n[l] load Inventory from file\n[a] Add CD\n[i] Display Current Inventory')
167.     print('[d] delete CD from Inventory\n[s] Save Inventory to file\n[x] exit\n')
168.
169.     @staticmethod
170.     def menu_choice():
171.         """Gets user input for menu selection
172.
173.     Args:
174.         None.
175.
176.     Returns:
177.         choice (string): a lower case sting of the users input out of the choices l, a, i, d, s or
x
178.
179.     """
180.     choice = ' '
181.     while choice not in ['l', 'a', 'i', 'd', 's', 'x']: # 'While not loop: executes the body of
the Loop until the condition for Loop termination is met'
182.         choice = input('Which operation would you like to perform? [l, a, i, d, s or x]:
').lower().strip()
183.         print() # Add extra space for layout
184.         return choice
185.
186.     @staticmethod
187.     def show_inventory(table):

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188.         """Displays current inventory table
189.
190.
191.     Args:
192.         table (list of dict): 2D data structure (list of dicts) that holds the data during
runtime.
193.
194.     Returns:
195.         None.
196.
197.     """
198.     print('==== The Current Inventory: =====')
199.     print('ID\tCD Title (by: Artist)\n')
200.     for row in table:
201.         print('{ }\t{ } (by:{ })'.format(*row.values()))
202.     print('=====')
203.
204.     @staticmethod
205.     def user_input():
206.         """ Ask user for new ID, CD Title, and Artist
207.     Args:
208.         None.
209.
210.     Returns:
211.         a list of user inputs
212.     """
213.
214.     strID = input('Enter ID: ').strip()
215.     strTitle = input('What is the CD\'s title? ').strip()
216.     stArtist = input('What is the Artist\'s name? ').strip()
217.     return [strID, strTitle, stArtist]
218.
219.
220. # 1. When program starts, read in the currently saved Inventory
221. #FileProcessor.read_file(strFileName, lstTbl)
222. if os.path.isfile('CDInventory.dat'): # if "CDInventory.dat" exists, use function "read_file()"
223.     read_FileName = 'CDInventory.dat'
224.     lstTbl = FileProcessor.read_file(read_FileName)
225. else: # if "CDInventory.txt" exists, use function "read_Textfile()"
226.     read_FileName = 'CDInventory.txt'
227.     FileProcessor.read_Textfile(read_FileName, lstTbl)
228.
229.
230. # 2. start main loop
231. while True:
232.     # 2.1 Display Menu to user and get choice
233.     IO.print_menu()
234.     strChoice = IO.menu_choice()
235.
236.     # 3. Process menu selection
237.     # 3.1 process exit first
238.     if strChoice == 'x':
239.         break
240.     # 3.2 process load inventory
241.     if strChoice == 'l':
242.         print('WARNING: If you continue, all unsaved data will be lost and the Inventory re-loaded
from file.')
243.         strYesNo = input('type \'yes\' to continue and reload from file. otherwise reload will be
canceled. ')
244.         if strYesNo.lower() == 'yes':
245.             print('\nreloading...')
246.             if os.path.isfile('CDInventory.dat'): # if "CDInventory.dat" exists, use function
"read_file()"
247.                 read_FileName = 'CDInventory.dat'
248.                 lstTbl = FileProcessor.read_file(read_FileName)

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249.         else:                                     # if "CDInventory.txt" exists, use function
            "read_Textfile()"
250.             read_FileName = 'CDInventory.txt'
251.             FileProcessor.read_Textfile(read_FileName,lstTbl)
252.             IO.show_inventory(lstTbl)
253.         else:
254.             input('canceling... Inventory data NOT reloaded. Press [ENTER] to continue to the menu.')
255.             IO.show_inventory(lstTbl)
256.         continue # start loop back at top.
257.     # 3.3 process add a CD
258.     elif strChoice == 'a':
259.         # 3.3.1 Ask user for new ID, CD Title and Artist
260.         inputs_list = IO.user_input() # a list of user inputs
261.
262.         # 3.3.2 Add item to the table
263.         DataProcessor.add_to_table(inputs_list, lstTbl)
264.         print()
265.         IO.show_inventory(lstTbl)
266.         continue # start loop back at top.
267.     # 3.4 process display current inventory
268.     elif strChoice == 'i':
269.         IO.show_inventory(lstTbl)
270.         continue # start loop back at top.
271.     # 3.5 process delete a CD
272.     elif strChoice == 'd':
273.         # 3.5.1 get Userinput for which CD to delete
274.         # 3.5.1.1 display Inventory to user
275.         IO.show_inventory(lstTbl)
276.         # 3.5.1.2 ask user which ID to remove
277.         intIDDel = int(input('Which ID would you like to delete? ').strip())
278.         # 3.5.2 search thru table and delete CD
279.         DataProcessor.del_row(intIDDel, lstTbl)
280.         IO.show_inventory(lstTbl)
281.         continue # start loop back at top.
282.     # 3.6 process save inventory to file
283.     elif strChoice == 's':
284.         # 3.6.1 Display current inventory and ask user for confirmation to save
285.         IO.show_inventory(lstTbl)
286.         strYesNo = input('Save this inventory to file? [y/n] ').strip().lower()
287.         # 3.6.2 Process choice
288.         if strYesNo == 'y':
289.             # 3.6.2.1 save data
290.             FileProcessor.write_file(save_FileName, lstTbl)
291.         else:
292.             input('The inventory was NOT saved to file. Press [ENTER] to return to the menu.')
293.         continue # start loop back at top.
294.     # 3.7 catch-all should not be possible, as user choice gets vetted in IO, but to be save:
295.     else:
296.         print('General Error')

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