

Python Lecture 7: Advanced Exception Handling and Introduction to Object-Oriented Programming

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1 Summary of File Types

This section provides a summary table of text and binary file types, highlighting their differences and including simple Python code examples for usage.

2 Try-Except-Else-Finally and Usage with Files

The try-except-else-finally block is used for exception handling in Python. - **try**: Contains code that might raise an exception. - **except**: Catches and handles the exception. - **else**: Executes if no exception occurs in the try block. - **finally**: Always executes, regardless of whether an exception occurred or not. Useful for cleanup tasks like closing files.

When working with files, these blocks ensure graceful handling of errors such as file not found or I/O issues.

2.1 Example 1: Basic File Reading with Try-Except-Else-Finally

```
1 try:
2     with open('example.txt', 'r') as file:
3         content = file.read()
4 except FileNotFoundError:
5     print("File not found!")
6 except IOError:
7     print("An I/O error occurred!")
8 else:
9     print("File content:", content)
10 finally:
11     print("File operation complete.")
```

If the file exists, it prints the content and "File operation complete." If not, it handles the error and still runs finally.

2.2 Example 2: Writing to File with Error Handling

```
1 try:
2     with open('output.txt', 'w') as file:
```

```

3     file.write("Hello, World!")
4 except IOError:
5     print("Error writing to file!")
6 else:
7     print("Write successful.")
8 finally:
9     print("Cleanup done.")

```

This ensures the write operation is attempted, handles errors, confirms success in else, and always runs finally.

3 Starting in Object-Oriented Programming in Python

3.1 Definition of OOP and Its Characteristics

Object-Oriented Programming (OOP) is a programming paradigm that uses "objects" to design applications and computer programs. Objects are instances of classes and can contain data (attributes) and code (methods). OOP focuses on modeling real-world entities as software objects that interact with each other.

Key characteristics of OOP:

- **Encapsulation:** Bundling data and methods that operate on the data within a single unit (class), restricting direct access to some components.
- **Abstraction:** Hiding complex implementation details and showing only essential features.
- **Inheritance:** Allowing a new class to inherit properties and methods from an existing class, promoting code reuse.
- **Polymorphism:** Enabling objects of different classes to be treated as objects of a common superclass, typically through method overriding.

3.2 Difference Between Class and Object

- **Class:** A blueprint or template that defines the structure and behavior (attributes and methods) for creating objects. It does not occupy memory until an object is created.

- **Object:** An instance of a class. It is a real entity that occupies memory and has specific values for the attributes defined in the class.

How to create an object from a class:

```

1 class MyClass:
2     pass # Class definition
3
4 obj = MyClass() # Creating an object

```

3.3 Difference Between Procedural Programming and Object-Oriented Programming

- **Procedural Programming:** Focuses on functions and procedures to perform tasks. It follows a top-down approach, where the program is divided into functions that operate on data. Data and functions are separate. Examples: C, Pascal.

- **Object-Oriented Programming:** Focuses on objects that combine data and functions. It follows a bottom-up approach, emphasizing data hiding, reusability, and modeling real-world scenarios. Examples: Python, Java.

Procedural is suitable for simple, linear tasks, while OOP is better for complex, modular systems.

3.4 Content of the Class in Python

A class in Python typically contains:

- **Attributes** (data members): Variables that store data.
- **Methods**: Functions that define behaviors.
- **Constructor (`__init__`)**: A special method to initialize objects.
- Optional: Class variables, static methods, etc.

Example:

```
1 class Example:
2     class_var = "Shared" # Class variable
3
4     def __init__(self, value):
5         self.instance_var = value # Instance attribute
6
7     def method(self):
8         print(self.instance_var)
```

3.5 Data Members and Methods of the Class

- **Data Members (Attributes)**: Variables associated with the class or its instances.
- Instance attributes: Unique to each object (defined in `__init__`). - Class attributes: Shared among all instances (defined directly in the class). - **Methods**: Functions defined inside the class that operate on data members. The first parameter is usually `self` (referring to the instance).

3.6 Difference Between Private, Public, Protected Data Members and Methods

In Python, access modifiers are conventions rather than strict enforcements:

- **Public**: No underscore prefix. Accessible from anywhere. Example: `self.var`.
- **Protected**: Single underscore prefix (`_var`). Intended for use within the class and subclasses. Accessible outside but by convention, treated as non-public.
- **Private**: Double underscore prefix (`__var`). Name mangling makes it harder to access outside the class (becomes `_ClassName__var`). Not truly private but discourages external access.

Example:

```
1 class AccessExample:
2     def __init__(self):
3         self.public_var = "Public"
4         self._protected_var = "Protected"
5         self.__private_var = "Private"
```

3.7 Complete Examples of Classes

3.7.1 Class Rectangle

Here is a complete example of a Rectangle class with constructor, accessors (get methods), modifiers (set methods), area calculation, perimeter calculation, and a print method.

```

1 class Rectangle:
2     def __init__(self, length, width):
3         self._length = length # Protected attribute
4         self._width = width   # Protected attribute
5
6     # Accessors (Getters)
7     def get_length(self):
8         return self._length
9
10    def get_width(self):
11        return self._width
12
13    # Modifiers (Setters)
14    def set_length(self, length):
15        if length > 0:
16            self._length = length
17        else:
18            print("Length must be positive.")
19
20    def set_width(self, width):
21        if width > 0:
22            self._width = width
23        else:
24            print("Width must be positive.")
25
26    # Area method
27    def rectangle_area(self):
28        return self._length * self._width
29
30    # Perimeter method
31    def rect_perimeter(self):
32        return 2 * (self._length + self._width)
33
34    # Print details
35    def print_rectangle(self):
36        print(f"Length: {self._length}, Width: {self._width}")
37        print(f"Area: {self.rectangle_area()}")
38        print(f"Perimeter: {self.rect_perimeter()}")
39
40    # Usage example
41 rect = Rectangle(5, 3) # Create object
42 rect.print_rectangle() # Print details
43
44    # Use setters
45 rect.set_length(10)
46 rect.set_width(4)
47
48    # Use getters and methods
49 print("New Length:", rect.get_length())
50 print("New Area:", rect.rectangle_area())

```

```
51 rect.print_rectangle() # Print updated details
```

Output:

```
Length: 5, Width: 3
Area: 15
Perimeter: 16
New Length: 10
New Area: 40
Length: 10, Width: 4
Area: 40
Perimeter: 28
```

3.7.2 Class Square

A Square class, similar to Rectangle but with a single side length.

```
1 class Square:
2     def __init__(self, side):
3         self._side = side # Protected attribute
4
5     # Accessors (Getters)
6     def get_side(self):
7         return self._side
8
9     # Modifiers (Setters)
10    def set_side(self, side):
11        if side > 0:
12            self._side = side
13        else:
14            print("Side must be positive.")
15
16    # Area method
17    def square_area(self):
18        return self._side ** 2
19
20    # Perimeter method
21    def square_perimeter(self):
22        return 4 * self._side
23
24    # Print details
25    def print_square(self):
26        print(f"Side: {self._side}")
27        print(f"Area: {self.square_area()}")
28        print(f"Perimeter: {self.square_perimeter()}")
29
30 # Usage example
31 sq = Square(4) # Create object
32 sq.print_square() # Print details
33
34 # Use setter
35 sq.set_side(6)
```

```

36
37 # Use getter and methods
38 print("New Side:", sq.get_side())
39 print("New Area:", sq.square_area())
40 sq.print_square() # Print updated details

```

Output:

```

Side: 4
Area: 16
Perimeter: 16
New Side: 6
New Area: 36
Side: 6
Area: 36
Perimeter: 24

```

3.7.3 Class Cylinder

A Cylinder class with radius and height, calculating volume and surface area.

```

1 import math
2
3 class Cylinder:
4     def __init__(self, radius, height):
5         self._radius = radius # Protected attribute
6         self._height = height # Protected attribute
7
8     # Accessors (Getters)
9     def get_radius(self):
10        return self._radius
11
12    def get_height(self):
13        return self._height
14
15    # Modifiers (Setters)
16    def set_radius(self, radius):
17        if radius > 0:
18            self._radius = radius
19        else:
20            print("Radius must be positive.")
21
22    def set_height(self, height):
23        if height > 0:
24            self._height = height
25        else:
26            print("Height must be positive.")
27
28    # Volume method
29    def cylinder_volume(self):
30        return math.pi * (self._radius ** 2) * self._height
31

```

```

32 # Surface area method
33 def cylinder_surface_area(self):
34     return 2 * math.pi * self._radius * (self._radius +
35                                         self._height)
36
37 # Print details
38 def print_cylinder(self):
39     print(f"Radius: {self._radius}, Height: {self._height}")
40     print(f"Volume: {self.cylinder_volume():.2f}")
41     print(f"Surface Area:
42           {self.cylinder_surface_area():.2f}")
43
44 # Usage example
45 cyl = Cylinder(3, 5) # Create object
46 cyl.print_cylinder() # Print details
47
48 # Use setters
49 cyl.set_radius(4)
50 cyl.set_height(6)
51
52 # Use getters and methods
53 print("New Radius:", cyl.get_radius())
54 print("New Volume:", f"{cyl.cylinder_volume():.2f}")
55 cyl.print_cylinder() # Print updated details

```

Output:

```

Radius: 3, Height: 5
Volume: 141.37
Surface Area: 150.80
New Radius: 4
New Volume: 301.59
Radius: 4, Height: 6
Volume: 301.59
Surface Area: 251.33

```

3.7.4 Class Complex

A Complex number class with real and imaginary parts, supporting basic operations.

```

1 class Complex:
2     def __init__(self, real, imag):
3         self._real = real # Protected attribute
4         self._imag = imag # Protected attribute
5
6     # Accessors (Getters)
7     def get_real(self):
8         return self._real
9
10    def get_imag(self):
11        return self._imag
12

```

```

13 # Modifiers (Setters)
14 def set_real(self, real):
15     self._real = real
16
17 def set_imag(self, imag):
18     self._imag = imag
19
20 # Add method
21 def add(self, other):
22     return Complex(self._real + other._real, self._imag +
23                   other._imag)
24
25 # Subtract method
26 def subtract(self, other):
27     return Complex(self._real - other._real, self._imag -
28                   other._imag)
29
30 # Multiply method
31 def multiply(self, other):
32     real = self._real * other._real - self._imag *
33         other._imag
34     imag = self._real * other._imag + self._imag *
35         other._real
36     return Complex(real, imag)
37
38 # Modulus method
39 def modulus(self):
40     return (self._real ** 2 + self._imag ** 2) ** 0.5
41
42 # Print details
43 def print_complex(self):
44     print(f"{self._real} + {self._imag}i")
45     print(f"Modulus: {self.modulus():.2f}")
46
47 # Usage example
48 c1 = Complex(2, 3) # Create object
49 c1.print_complex() # Print details
50
51 c2 = Complex(1, 4)
52 c3 = c1.add(c2)
53 c3.print_complex()
54
55 c4 = c1.multiply(c2)
56 c4.print_complex()

```

Output:

```

2 + 3i
Modulus: 3.61
3 + 7i
Modulus: 7.62
-10 + 11i

```

Modulus: 14.87

3.7.5 Class Student

A Student class with name, age, and grades list.

```
1  class Student:
2      def __init__(self, name, age):
3          self._name = name    # Protected attribute
4          self._age = age      # Protected attribute
5          self._grades = []   # Protected list
6
7      # Accessors (Getters)
8      def get_name(self):
9          return self._name
10
11     def get_age(self):
12         return self._age
13
14     def get_grades(self):
15         return self._grades
16
17     # Modifiers (Setters)
18     def set_name(self, name):
19         self._name = name
20
21     def set_age(self, age):
22         if age > 0:
23             self._age = age
24         else:
25             print("Age must be positive.")
26
27     # Add grade method
28     def add_grade(self, grade):
29         if 0 <= grade <= 100:
30             self._grades.append(grade)
31         else:
32             print("Grade must be between 0 and 100.")
33
34     # Average grade method
35     def average_grade(self):
36         if not self._grades:
37             return 0
38         return sum(self._grades) / len(self._grades)
39
40     # Print details
41     def print_student(self):
42         print(f"Name: {self._name}, Age: {self._age}")
43         print(f"Grades: {self._grades}")
44         print(f"Average Grade: {self.average_grade():.2f}")
45
46 # Usage example
```

```

47 stu = Student("Alice", 20) # Create object
48 stu.add_grade(85)
49 stu.add_grade(92)
50 stu.print_student() # Print details
51
52 # Use setters
53 stu.set_age(21)
54 stu.add_grade(78)
55
56 # Use getters and methods
57 print("New Age:", stu.get_age())
58 print("New Average:", f"{stu.average_grade():.2f}")
59 stu.print_student() # Print updated details

```

Output:

```

Name: Alice, Age: 20
Grades: [85, 92]
Average Grade: 88.50
New Age: 21
New Average: 85.00
Name: Alice, Age: 21
Grades: [85, 92, 78]
Average Grade: 85.00

```

3.7.6 Class Circle

A Circle class with radius, calculating area and circumference.

```

1 import math
2
3 class Circle:
4     def __init__(self, radius):
5         self._radius = radius # Protected attribute
6
7     # Accessors (Getters)
8     def get_radius(self):
9         return self._radius
10
11    # Modifiers (Setters)
12    def set_radius(self, radius):
13        if radius > 0:
14            self._radius = radius
15        else:
16            print("Radius must be positive.")
17
18    # Area method
19    def circle_area(self):
20        return math.pi * (self._radius ** 2)
21
22    # Circumference method
23    def circle_circumference(self):

```

```

24     return 2 * math.pi * self._radius
25
26     # Print details
27     def print_circle(self):
28         print(f"Radius: {self._radius}")
29         print(f"Area: {self.circle_area():.2f}")
30         print(f"Circumference:
31             {self.circle_circumference():.2f}")
32
33     # Usage example
34     circ = Circle(5)    # Create object
35     circ.print_circle() # Print details
36
37     # Use setter
38     circ.set_radius(7)
39
40     # Use getter and methods
41     print("New Radius:", circ.get_radius())
42     print("New Area:", f"{circ.circle_area():.2f}")
43     circ.print_circle() # Print updated details

```

Output:

```

Radius: 5
Area: 78.54
Circumference: 31.42
New Radius: 7
New Area: 153.94
Radius: 7
Area: 153.94
Circumference: 43.98

```

3.7.7 Class BankAccount

A BankAccount class with account number, balance, and methods for deposit/withdraw.

```

1  class BankAccount:
2      def __init__(self, account_number, balance=0):
3          self._account_number = account_number    # Protected
4          attribute
4          self._balance = balance                  # Protected
4          attribute
5
6          # Accessors (Getters)
7          def get_account_number(self):
8              return self._account_number
9
10         def get_balance(self):
11             return self._balance
12
13         # Deposit method
14         def deposit(self, amount):

```

```

15     if amount > 0:
16         self._balance += amount
17     else:
18         print("Amount must be positive.")
19
20 # Withdraw method
21 def withdraw(self, amount):
22     if 0 < amount <= self._balance:
23         self._balance -= amount
24     else:
25         print("Invalid withdrawal amount.")
26
27 # Print details
28 def print_account(self):
29     print(f"Account Number: {self._account_number}")
30     print(f"Balance: {self._balance:.2f}")
31
32 # Usage example
33 acc = BankAccount("123456", 100) # Create object
34 acc.print_account() # Print details
35
36 # Deposit and withdraw
37 acc.deposit(50)
38 acc.withdraw(30)
39
40 # Use getters
41 print("New Balance:", acc.get_balance())
42 acc.print_account() # Print updated details

```

Output:

```

Account Number: 123456
Balance: 100.00
New Balance: 120.0
Account Number: 123456
Balance: 120.00

```

Aspect	Text Files	Binary Files	Simple Python Code
Data Representation	Human-readable characters (e.g., ASCII, UTF-8). Stored as strings.	Raw binary data (bytes). Not human-readable.	-
File Modes	'r', 'w', 'a', 'r+', etc.	'rb', 'wb', 'ab', 'rb+', etc.	-
Use Cases	Configuration files, logs, scripts, CSV/JSON data. When data needs to be edited manually.	Images (JPEG, PNG), videos (MP4), executables, serialized objects. When preserving exact byte structure is crucial.	-
Advantages	Easy to read/edit with text editors. Platform-independent for plain text.	Efficient for non-text data. No encoding issues.	-
Disadvantages	Inefficient for large non-text data. Encoding/decoding required.	Not readable without specialized tools. Platform-dependent sometimes (e.g., endianness).	-
Code Example	<p>Writing and Reading Text File</p> <pre>with open('text.txt', 'w')as f: f.write('Hello World')open('text.txt', 'r')as f: print(f.read())#Output: Hello World</pre> <p>Writing and Reading Binary File</p> <pre>with open('binary.bin', 'wb')as f: f.write(b'Hello World')open('binary.bin', 'rb')as f: print(f.read())#Output: b'Hello World'</pre>		

Table 1: Summary of Text and Binary Files with Differences and Code Examples