

Unit 4

1 Mark Questions & Answers

File Handling, File modes, File methods

1. **Q:** What is the default mode when opening a file in Python?
A: "r" (read mode).
 2. **Q:** Which file mode is used to add content at the end of a file without overwriting it?
A: "a" (append mode).
 3. **Q:** Which method is used to read one line at a time from a file?
A: `readline()`.
 4. **Q:** What does the `tell()` method do?
A: Returns the current position of the file pointer.
 5. **Q:** Which mode is used to open a file for both reading and writing?
A: "r+".
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Working on CSV and JSON files:

1. **Q:** What does CSV stand for?
A: CSV stands for *Comma-Separated Values*.
2. **Q:** Which module in Python is used to handle CSV files?
A: The `csv` module.
3. **Q:** Which method is used to write a row into a CSV file?
A: `writerow()` method.
4. **Q:** Which function is used to load data from a JSON file?
A: `json.load()` function.
5. **Q:** Which function converts a Python dictionary into a JSON string?
A: `json.dumps()` function.
6. **Q:** What does `newline=""` do in `open()` while writing CSV files?
A: It prevents extra blank lines from being added between rows in Windows.
7. **Q:** In JSON, what are the data types equivalent to Python's dictionary and list?
A: Dictionary → JSON Object, List → JSON Array.
8. **Q:** Which JSON function is used for pretty printing with indentation?
A: `json.dump(data, file, indent=4)`.

Exceptions, Exception Handling, Raising Exceptions:

1) **Q:** What is an exception in Python?

A: An exception is an error that occurs during program execution and disrupts normal flow.

2) **Q:** Which keywords are used in exception handling in Python?

A: `try`, `except`, `else`, `finally`, `raise`.

3) **Q:** What is the purpose of the `else` block in exception handling?

A: The `else` block runs only if no exception occurs in the `try` block.

4) **Q:** Name two built-in exceptions in Python.

A: `ZeroDivisionError`, `ValueError`.

5) **Q:** What is the use of the `finally` block?

A: It always executes, whether an exception occurs or not (commonly used for cleanup like closing files).

Regular Expressions:

Q1. What is a regular expression in Python?

A1. A regular expression is a sequence of characters that defines a search pattern, often used for string matching and validation.

Q2. Which module in Python supports regular expressions?

A2. The `re` module.

Q3. Which function is used to check if a regex matches the whole string?

A3. `re.fullmatch()`.

Q4. What does the `.` (dot) metacharacter in regex represent?

A4. It matches any single character except newline (`\n`).

Q5. What does `*` mean in regex?

A5. It matches zero or more repetitions of the preceding element.

Q6. Which regex function returns all non-overlapping matches as a list?

A6. `re.findall()`.

Q7. What is the use of `\d` in regex?

A7. It matches any digit (0–9).

Q8. What symbol is used to represent the start of a string in regex?

A8. `^` (caret symbol).

2 Mark Questions & Answers

File Handling, File modes, File methods:

- Q:** Differentiate between "w" and "a" file modes.
A: "w" overwrites the file if it exists or creates a new one.
"a" appends data to the end of the file, creating it if it does not exist.
 - Q:** What is the difference between `read()` and `readlines()`?
A: `read()` returns the entire file content as a string.
`readlines()` returns all lines as a list of strings.
 - Q:** What is the purpose of `seek()` method? Give an example.
A: It moves the file pointer to a specific position.
Example: `f.seek(0)` moves the pointer to the beginning of the file.
 - Q:** Write a Python statement to open a file named "data.txt" in binary read mode.
A: `f = open("data.txt", "rb").`
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Working on CSV and JSON files:

- Q:** Differentiate between `csv.reader()` and `csv.DictReader()`.
A: `csv.reader()` reads each row as a list of strings.
`csv.DictReader()` reads each row as a dictionary, using the first row as keys.
- Q:** Write a Python statement to open a file `data.csv` in append mode.
A: `f = open("data.csv", "a", newline="")`
- Q:** How do `json.dump()` and `json.dumps()` differ?
A: `json.dump()` writes JSON data directly to a file.
`json.dumps()` converts a Python object to a JSON string.
- Q:** Write one line Python code to read JSON data from a file `info.json`.
A: `data = json.load(open("info.json", "r"))`
- Q:** State one advantage of JSON over CSV.
A: JSON supports **nested and hierarchical data**, whereas CSV is limited to tabular data.

Exceptions, Exception Handling, Raising Exceptions

- 1) **Q: Differentiate between syntax error and runtime error.**

A: Syntax error: Errors in code structure, detected before execution (e.g., missing colon).

Runtime error (exception): Errors occurring during execution (e.g., division by zero).

- 2) **Q: Write a Python program using try-except to handle division by zero.**

A: try:

```
a = 10 / 0
```

```
except ZeroDivisionError:
```

```
    print("Division by zero is not allowed")
```

- 3) **Q: What is exception propagation?**

A: If an exception is not handled in a function, it propagates back to the caller function until it is handled or program terminates.

- 4) **Q: Give an example of raising an exception manually.**

A: x = -1

```
if x < 0:
```

```
    raise ValueError("Negative values not allowed")
```

Regular Expressions:

Q1. Differentiate between re.search() and re.match().

A1.

- re.match() checks for a match **only at the beginning** of the string.
 - re.search() checks for a match **anywhere** in the string.
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Q2. What is the difference between re.findall() and re.finditer()?

A2.

- re.findall() returns all matches as a **list of strings**.
 - re.finditer() returns an **iterator of match objects**, providing detailed match info.
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Q3. Write a regex pattern to validate an Indian mobile number starting with 7, 8, or 9 and having 10 digits.

A3. pattern = r'^[789]\d{9}\$'

Q4. Explain the use of `re.split()` with an example.

A4. `re.split()` splits a string by the occurrences of a pattern.

Example:

```
import re

print(re.split(r'\s+', 'Python is fun'))

# Output: ['Python', 'is', 'fun']
```

Q5. How does `re.sub()` work? Give an example.

A5. `re.sub(pattern, repl, string)` replaces all matches of the pattern with `repl`.

Example:

```
import re

print(re.sub(r'\d', '*', 'Phone: 98765'))

# Output: Phone: *****
```

5 Mark Questions & Answers

1. **Q:** Explain different file modes in Python with examples.

A:

- `"r"`: Read file (error if not exists).
- `"w"`: Write file (overwrite/create).
- `"a"`: Append data.
- `"x"`: Create new file (error if exists).
- `"r+"`: Read + write existing file.
- `"w+"`: Write + read (overwrite/create).
- `"a+"`: Append + read.

Example:

```
f = open("test.txt", "w")
f.write("Hello")
f.close()
```

2. **Q:** Explain any five file methods with examples.

A:

- `read()`: Reads file content.

- `readline()`: Reads one line.
- `write()`: Writes data.
- `seek()`: Moves pointer.
- `tell()`: Returns pointer position.

Example:

```
f = open("test.txt", "w")
f.write("Python\n")
f.close()
```

```
f = open("test.txt", "r")
print(f.readline())
f.close()
```

3. Q: Write a Python code to merge two given file contents into a third file.

4. Q: Write a program that reads a file and displays the number of words, number of vowels, blank spaces, lower case letters and uppercase letters.

5. Q: Write a Python code to Read text from a text file, find the word with most number of occurrences.

6. Q: Write a Python code to open a given file and to check for given words present in it and display on found.

Exceptions, Exception Handling, Raising Exceptions:

7. Q: Explain the flow of execution in `try`, `except`, `else`, and `finally` blocks with an example.

A:

- `try`: Contains code that may raise an exception.
- `except`: Handles the exception.
- `else`: Executes only if no exception occurs.
- `finally`: Always executes.

Example: `try`:

```
num = int(input("Enter a number: "))
result = 10 / num
except ZeroDivisionError:
    print("Division by zero error!")
```

```
else:
    print("Result is:", result)
finally:
    print("Execution completed")
```

Explanation: If num=0, exception occurs → **except** runs → **finally** runs.
If num=5, no error → **else** runs → **finally** runs.

8. Q: List and explain any four built-in exceptions in Python with examples.

- A: i) ZeroDivisionError:** Raised when dividing by zero.
Eg: `print(5/0)`
- ii) **ValueError:** Raised when invalid value is passed.
Eg: `int("abc")`
- iii) **IndexError:** Raised when accessing an invalid list index.
Eg: `lst = [1,2,3]`
`print(lst[5])`
- iv) **TypeError:** Raised when operation is applied to an invalid type.
Eg: `print("5" + 2)`

9 Q: Explain except clause with multiple exceptions.

```
def check_number(n):
    if n < 0:
        # raising ValueError with custom message (acting as custom exception)
        raise ValueError("Negative numbers are not allowed")
    return n

try:
    num = -5
    print(check_number(num))
except ValueError as e:
    print("Caught exception:", e)
```

10 Q: Explain how to create user-defined exceptions.

11Q: Write a program that raises and handles a custom exception.

12Q: What happens if except clause is written without any Exception type? Explain with an example.

Answer: If you write an **except** clause without specifying any exception type, it will catch all **exceptions** (no matter what error occurs).

Eg:

try:

```
x = int("abc") # This will raise ValueError
y = 10 / 0     # This would raise ZeroDivisionError
```

except:

```
print("An error occurred!")
```

13Q: Discuss with an example Exceptions with arguments.

14Q: Write about Errors and Exception handling in python.

15 Q: Define error and exception. Differentiate them.

A. Error

- An **error** indicates a problem in the program that makes it impossible to run.
- Errors are mostly **syntax-related** or **logical mistakes** made by the programmer.
- Errors stop the execution of the program **before it runs properly**.

Exception

- An **exception** is an **event that occurs during program execution** and disrupts the normal flow of instructions.
- Exceptions usually happen due to **runtime issues** (like division by zero, accessing an undefined variable, file not found, etc.).
- Exceptions can be **handled** using try-except.

Differences between Error and Exception

Aspect	Error	Exception
Definition	Mistakes in program code (syntax/logic)	Events that occur during program execution
When it occurs	During compilation/parsing (before execution)	During execution (runtime)
Examples	SyntaxError, IndentationError	ZeroDivisionError, ValueError, FileNotFoundError
Can it be handled?	No , must be fixed in code	Yes , can be handled with try-except
Cause	Programmer mistakes (typos, wrong syntax)	Invalid operations or unexpected runtime conditions
Recovery	Program cannot continue unless fixed	Program can continue if handled properly

Regular Expressions:

16 Q: Describe the core functions and methods of re module

A. Core functions: match, search, findall, split, sub

Methods: group, start, end, span

17 Q: Does regular expression pattern enable matching of multiple strings. Justify.

A. Yes, **regular expression (regex) patterns enable matching of multiple strings** because they are not fixed string literals – they are **patterns** that describe a set of strings that share a common structure.

Justification

1. A **regex pattern** defines **rules** (using special characters like . * + | etc.) rather than exact text.
2. These rules allow a single regex pattern to match **different variations of strings** at once.
3. This makes regex powerful for **search, validation, and text extraction**.

18 Q: Explain various string pattern matching functions in python.

19 Q: How to find whether an email Id entered by the user is valid or not?

```
import re

# Regex pattern for a valid email
pattern = r'^[a-zA-Z0-9._%+-]+@[a-zA-Z0-9.-]+\.[a-zA-Z]{2,}$'

# Take user input
email = input("Enter your email ID: ")

# Check if it matches the pattern
if re.fullmatch(pattern, email):
    print("Valid Email ID")
else:
    print("Invalid Email ID")
```

20 Q: Illustrate common regular expression symbols and special characters used in Python for string matching.