

Chapter 6.

Files and

Exceptions

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1. Opening a file

- Example
 - `f = open("test.txt")`
equivalent to 'r' or 'rt'
 - `f = open("test.txt", 'w')`
write in text mode
 - `f = open("img.bmp", 'r+b')`
read and write in binary mode

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Mode	Description
r	Opens a file for reading. (default)
w	Opens a file for writing. Creates a new file if it does not exist or truncates the file if it exists .
x	Opens a file for exclusive creation. If the file already exists, the operation fails .
a	Opens a file for appending at the end of the file without truncating it. Creates a new file if it does not exist .
t	Opens in text mode. (default)
b	Opens in binary mode.
+	Opens a file for reading and writing

1. Opening a file

- Try to open a file
 - if the file does not exist
- When it fails to open a file
 - how do you handle this?
- Try to open a file with “write mode”
 - if the file does not exist
 - if the file exist, and there are some contents in the file

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- To Check the open status, recommend to use try-except clause
 - Try - Except

```
try:
    f = open("notexist.txt")
except Exception as e:
    print ("File Open Error")
    print (e)
else:
    result = f.read()
    print (result)
```

2. Read a file

<code>read()</code>	read all text from a file into a string. This method is useful if you have a small file and you want to manipulate the whole text of that file.
<code>readline()</code>	read the text file line by line and return all the lines as strings.
<code>readlines()</code>	read all the lines of the text file and return them as a list of strings.

- Example

- make a program to read all lines in the file “[student.txt](#)”

Example code 1

```
f = open("student.txt")

r = f.read(10)
print (r)
r = f.read()
print (r)
```

Example code 2

```
with open("student.txt") as fileobj:
    for line in fileobj:
        print ("Read Line: ", line)
```

Example code 3

```
with open("student.txt") as f:
    rows = f.readlines()
print (rows)
```

3. Write to a file

- Write your data into file
 - How to store the numeric value into a text file

```
firstname = "John"
lastname = "Lee"

with open("studentinfo.txt", 'w') as f:
    f.writelines(firstname+"\n")
    f.writelines(lastname+"\n")
```

```
sid = 100;
sname = "John"
scores = [100, 200, 300]
with open("studentinfo.txt", 'w') as f:
    f.write(str(sid)+"\t")
    f.write(sname+"\t")
    f.write(" ".join(map(str,scores)))
    # f.write(str(scores))
```

4. Programming Lab

• Problem Definition

- Read all lines from a “student.txt” file
- Build up the dictionary according to the data from a file
- Create a excel file and write your dictionary data to the excel file

student.txt

First	Last	English	Math	Physics
James	Lopez	100	90	80
Kurt	Hertz	100	100	100
Kim	Bosch	100	90	90
Audrey	Heinz	100	100	100
Linda	Quoz	100	90	90

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read and build the list of dictionary

```
[{'First': 'James', 'Last': 'Lopez', 'English': '100', 'Math': '90', 'Physics': '80'},  
{ 'First': 'Kurt', 'Last': 'Hertz', 'English': '100', 'Math': '100', 'Physics': '100'},  
{ 'First': 'Kim', 'Last': '', 'English': 'Bosch', 'Math': '100', 'Physics': '90'},  
{ 'First': 'Audrey', 'Last': 'Heinz', 'English': '100', 'Math': '100', 'Physics':  
'100'}, { 'First': 'Linda', 'Last': 'Quoz', 'English': '100', 'Math': '90', 'Physics':  
'90'}]
```



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student.xls

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1 • Read all lines and Build up Dictionary

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```
header = ['first', 'last', 'English', 'Math', 'Physics']
```

```
d = {}  
d[header[0]] = first item from the line that was read from a file
```



read and build the list of dictionary

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{ 'First': 'Kim', 'Last': '', 'English': 'Bosch', 'Math': '100', 'Physics': '90'},  
{ 'First': 'Audrey', 'Last': 'Heinz', 'English': '100', 'Math': '100', 'Physics':  
'100'}, { 'First': 'Linda', 'Last': 'Quoz', 'English': '100', 'Math': '90', 'Physics':  
'90'}]
```

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2 • from the dictionary to the Excel file

- import xlwt

```
import xlwt

wb = xlwt.Workbook()
ws = wb.add_sheet('Student')

for i in range(len(header)):
    ws.write(0, i, header[i])
# more code to write the list of dictionary to the Excel file
wb.save('student.xls')
```

```
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{'First': 'Kim', 'Last': '', 'English': 'Bosch', 'Math': '100', 'Physics': '90'},
{'First': 'Audrey', 'Last': 'Heinz', 'English': '100', 'Math': '100', 'Physics': '100'},
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