PHP Exceptions

This lesson discusses what exceptions are and how PHP allows you to handle them.

WE'LL COVER THE FOLLOWING

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- What is an Exception?
- What Happens When an Exception is Triggered?
- Exception Handling in PHP

What is an Exception?

An **exception** is an unexpected program result that can be handled by the program itself. **Exception Handling** in PHP is almost similar to exception handling in all programming languages.

What Happens When an Exception is Triggered?

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When an exception is triggered, the current code state is saved. The code execution will switch to a predefined (custom) exception handler function Depending on the situation, the handler may then resume the execution from the saved code state, terminate the script execution or continue the script from a different location in the code.

Exception Handling in PHP#

PHP provides the following specialized keywords for this purpose:

- try
- throw
- catch
- finally

In the next lesson, we will learn about these keywords in detail.