

# **INFO5002: Intro to Python for Info Sys**

Week 7



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# **Week 7**

I. Testing

II. I/O

III. Scraping

# Recap

# Encapsulation

- Expose **minimally**.

```
class BankAccount:
    def __init__(self, initial):
        self.__balance = initial

    def deposit(self, amt):
        self.__balance += amt

    def withdraw(self, amt):
        if amt < self.__balance:
            self.__balance -= amt
```

- Public (everyone)
- Protected (me and my children)
- Private (only me)

# We import with from import

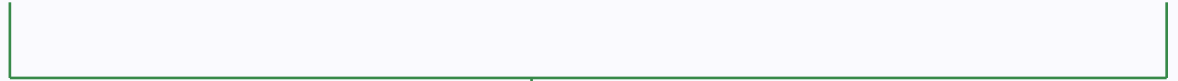
from keyword    import keyword



```
from package import component1, component2, component3, ...
```



package name



package's reusable component names

Module vs package vs sub-package.

```
from package import *
```

# We protect our at risk with try-except.

- Code that can produce exceptions should be protected.

```
try:
    x = int(input("Enter a number: "))
    y = 10 / x
except ZeroDivisionError:
    pass
else:
    print(f"Your code is {y}")
```

# Debugging

# Adding print statements

```
def find_largest(numbers):
    largest = 0
    print("Initial largest:", largest)
    for num in numbers:
        print("Checking number:", num)
        if num > largest:
            print(f"{num} is greater
                  than {largest} → updating largest")
            largest = num
        else:
            print(f"{num} is not greater than {largest}")
    return largest

# Test case
print("Result:", find_largest([-10, -5, -20]))
```

```
Initial largest: 0
Checking number: -10
-10 is not greater
than 0
Checking number: -5
-5 is not greater
than 0
Checking number: -20
-20 is not greater
than 0
Result: 0
```



# Using Python pdb

```
def find_largest(numbers):  
    largest = 0  
    for num in numbers:  
        breakpoint()  
        if num > largest:  
            largest = num  
    return largest  
  
# Test case  
print(find_largest([-10, -5, -20]))
```

```
python main.py
```

```
→ breakpoint()  
(Pdb) p largest  
0  
(Pdb) p num  
-10  
(Pdb) p num > largest  
False  
(Pdb) n  
→ if num > largest:  
(Pdb) n  
→ for num in numbers:  
(Pdb) p num  
-10  
(Pdb) n  
→ breakpoint()  
(Pdb) p num  
-5  
(Pdb) n  
→ if num > largest:  
(Pdb) n  
→ for num in numbers:  
(Pdb) c  
→ breakpoint()  
(Pdb) p num  
-20  
(Pdb) c  
0
```

# Testing

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# Unit tests

- Test the smallest functional unit.
- Tests should be independent.
- Sum of tests should cover as many lines of code (have high coverage).

# Python unittest

- `assertEqual(a, b)`: see if `a == b`
- `assertTrue(x)`: see if `bool(x) == True`
- `assertIsInstance(a, b)`: see if `a` is instance of `b`
- `assertIsNone(x)`: see if `x == None`
- `assertFalse(x)`: see if `bool(x) == False`
- `assertIs(a, b)`: see if `a` is `b`
- `assertIn(a, b)`: see if `a` in `b`

# Concepts

- Test case: individual unit of testing.
- Test suite: group of test cases and test suites.
- Test fixture: any code that runs before or after tests to prepare or cleanup.
- Test runner: orchestrates the execution of tests and returns result to user.

```
import unittest

def add(a, b):
    return a + b

class TestAddFunction(unittest.TestCase):
    def test_add_zeroes(self):
        self.assertEqual(add(0, 0), 0)

    def test_add_negative_numbers(self):
        self.assertEqual(add(-5, -6), -11)

    def test_add_mixed_numbers(self):
        self.assertEqual(add(5, -6), -1)
        self.assertEqual(add(-9, 3), -6)

if __name__ == '__main__':
    unittest.main()
```

**A test case named TestAddFunction with 3 unit tests.**

Individual unit test must start with the letters **test\_** and have at least 1 assert.

Will run all test cases that inherit unittest.TestCase

```
import unittest

class CompoundInterest:
    def __init__(self,
start, rate):
        self.curr = start
        self.rate = rate

    def compound(self):
        self.curr +=
self.curr * self.rate
```

Code runs before each test

Code runs after each test

```
class TestCompoundInterest(unittest.TestCase):
    def setUp(self):
        self.ci = CompoundInterest(100, 0.1)

    def tearDown(self):
        pass

    def test_first_compound(self):
        self.ci.compound()
        self.assertEqual(self.ci.curr, 110)

    def test_two_compound(self):
        self.ci.compound()
        self.ci.compound()
        self.assertEqual(self.ci.curr, 121)

if __name__ == "__main__":
    unittest.main()
```

# Testing for exceptions

```
import unittest

def div(x, y):
    return x / y

class TestDiv(unittest.TestCase):
    def test_div_0_exception(self):
        with self.assertRaises(ZeroDivisionError):
            div(10, 0)

if __name__ == "__main__":
    unittest.main()
```

Create a block of **self.assertRaises(Exc**  
**eptionType)** to test if  
the block throws the  
exception



# Let's practice

In canvas you will find a file with some code written. I want you to create a new file **test.py** which will have unit tests that together have 100% coverage of the file's functionalities.

# Why bother?

- If we test out code as we go why create unit tests?
- Because if we change it later we may break it.
  - Unit tests allow us to detect if new code breaks existing behaviour.

**I/O**

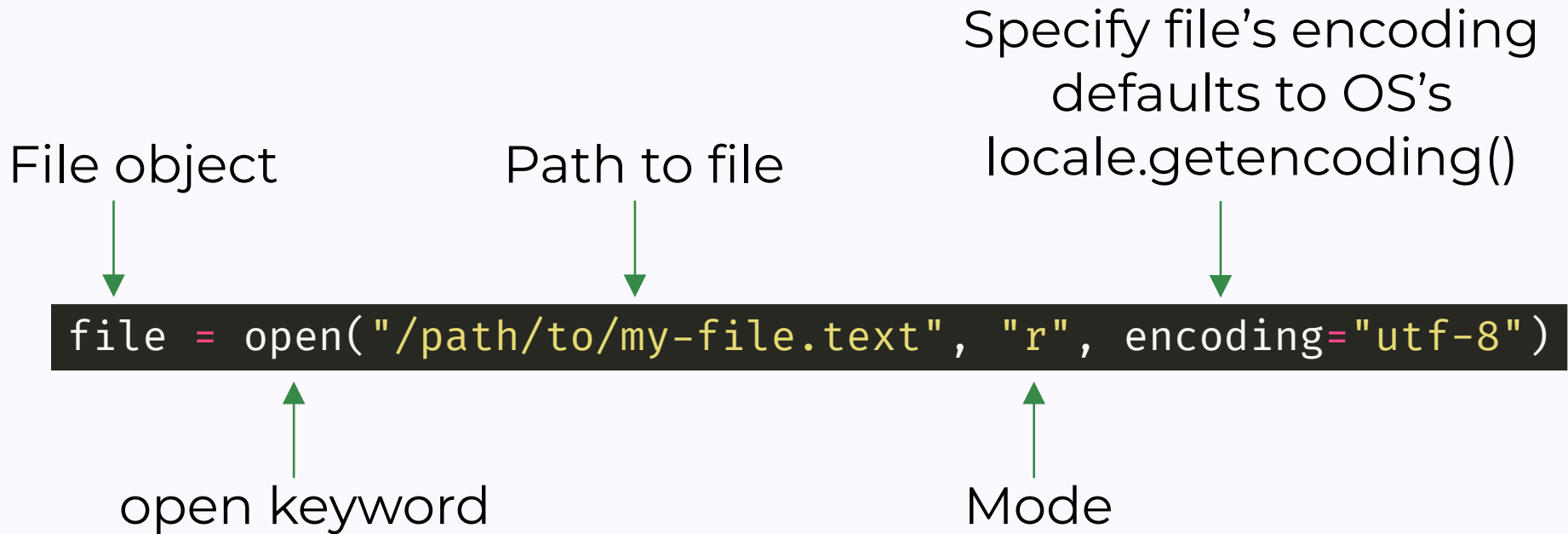
# **So far all data has been in memory**

- We have been creating variables that hold data in our code.
- This data is not persistent and when the program stops running all of the data is released.

# Keep persistence with IO

- **Input/Output** (I/O) acts as an **interface** between your code and the operating system's file system.
- Three types:
  - text (string)
  - binary (bytes): can store non-text data
  - Raw: rarely used

# Load text with open r



# File modes

Character	Meaning
r	reading (default)
w	writing, deleting old first
x	create new file, fail if already existing
a	writing, appending to old
b	binary mode
t	text mode (default)
+	suffix, to add on read or write r+ (read and write w/out deleting file first) w+ (read and write deleting file first)

# Encodings

- Important to specify the file's encoding that you are loading. Otherwise your data will be unrecognisable at worst or crash at best.
- Popular encodings: ascii, utf-8, utf-16, utf-32.



# Encoding matters example

```
file = open("test_file.txt", "w", encoding="utf-8")
file.write("Welcome to class")
file.close()

file2 = open("test_file.txt", "r", encoding="utf-8")
print(file2.read())
file2.close()

file3 = open("test_file.txt", "r", encoding="utf-16")
print(file3.read())
file3.close()
```

File "/usr/lib64/python3.13/encodings/utf\_16.py", line 67, in \_buffer\_decode  
 raise UnicodeDecodeError("utf-16", input, 0, 2, "Stream does not start with BOM")  
UnicodeDecodeError: 'utf-16' codec can't decode bytes in position 0-1: Stream does not start with BOM

# Load binary with open rb

```
file = open("/path/to/my-file.text", "rb")
```

# Load raw with open rb no buffering

```
file = open("/path/to/my-file.text", "rb", buffering=0)
```

# What to do with file objects?

- `close()`: close the file
- `readline()`: read one line from file
- `readlines()`: return list of lines from file
  - for line in file:
- `read(size=-1)`: read size number of bytes
- `write(data)`: write data

# Move file cursor

- `seek(offset, whence=os.SEEK_SET)`: change the stream number of bytes from relative position set with `whence`.
  - `os.SEEK_SET`: start of stream (`offset >= 0`)
  - `os.SEEK_CUR`: current position
  - `os.SEEK_END`: end of stream (`offset <= 0`, usually)

# Let's practice

Create a function **process\_student\_grades** that loads a file you will find on canvas and creates a new file **output.txt** which has number of 0-9% on one line, number of 10-19% on one line, ..., number of 90-99% on one line, number of 100% on one line, and the average on the final line. Use utf-8 encoding.

# **It is annoying have one data per line!**

- There are two commonly used ways to store data
  1. CSV (Comma Separated Values)
  2. JSON (Javascript Object Notation)

# CSV

- Good for simple data.
- Created by separating values with a comma.

```
id,name,num_runways,num_gates
YVR,"Vancouver International Airport",3,101
YXX,Abbotsford International Airport,2,
```

← Optional header  
← Full entry  
← Entry missing num\_gates



# Reading CSV files

- Import csv module and create a csv reader with a file object.

```
import csv

file = open("csv-1.csv", "r")
reader = csv.reader(file)
header = next(reader)
for line in reader:
    print(line)
```

- ← Create csv reader
- ← Header first line (if exists)
- ← For all the other lines
- ← Do something here

- But for the **line** you *need to know* which **index** the data is.

# Use DictReader

- Same as regular reader but will have each line be a dictionary instead of list with the keys as the header (or anything else you specify).

```
import csv

file = open("csv-1.csv", "r")
reader = csv.DictReader(file)
for line in reader:
    print(line["num_runways"])
```

- ← Create csv dictionary reader
- ← For all lines
- ← Do something here

# Similarly can write

```
import csv

file = open("csv-1.csv", "w")
writer = csv.writer(file)
writer.writerow(["id", "name", "num_runways", "num_gates"])
writer.writerow(["YVR", "Vancouver Intl Airport", 3, 101])
```

```
import csv

file = open("csv-1.csv", "w")
fieldnames = ["id", "name", "num_runways", "num_gates"]
writer = csv.DictWriter(file, fieldnames=fieldnames)
writer.writeheader()
writer.writerow({"id": "YVR", "name": "Vancouver Intl
Airport", "num_runways": 3, "num_gates": 101})
```

# Let's practice

Create a class **Weather** which has a constructor that takes a path to the daily temperature CSV file and loads the data. Create a few functions:

- **average\_high**: which returns the average high (deg C).
- **average\_low**: which returns the average low (deg C).
- **average\_max\_gust**: which returns avg max gust (km/hr).

All functions optionally take **month** to specify for a month.

# JSON

- Good for complex structured data.
- Javascript Object Notation which features a Python dictionary-like structure.

```
{
  "airports": [
    {
      "id": "YVR",
      "name": "Vancouver Intl Airport",
      "num_runways": 3,
      "num_gates": 101,
    }
  ]
}
```

# Write with json dump

```
import json

airports = [
    {"id": "YVR", "name": "Vancouver Intl
Airport", "num_runways": 3, "num_gates": 101}
]

file = open("data.json", "w")
contents = json.dump({"airport": airports},
file)
file.close()
```

# Read with json load

```
import json

file = open("data.json", "r")
contents = json.load(file)
print(contents)
file.close()
```



```
{'airport': [{'id': 'YVR', 'name': 'Vancouver Intl Airport',  
'num_runways': 3, 'num_gates': 101}]}
```

# Let's practice

Create a class **Client** which has a constructor that will ask for the user's first name, last name, date of birth, and phone number if it has not already asked and the data file does not exist. If exists load the data to the right attributes.



# **Web Scraping**

# Not all data are in files

- In this case we need to use **web scraping** to get and save web data.
- Website data is stored as HTML which we can download and process with the help of two modules: **requests** (downloading) and **beautifulsoup4** (processing).
- We will learn more about HTML later.

# Find the tags, classes, ids

## Countries of the World: A Simple Example 250 items

<div class="col-md-4 country"> <h3 class="country-name"> <div class="country-info">

### Andorra

**Capital:** Andorra la Vella  
**Population:** 84000  
**Area (km<sup>2</sup>):** 468.0

### United Arab Emirates

**Capital:** Abu Dhabi  
**Population:** 4975593  
**Area (km<sup>2</sup>):** 82880.0

### Afghanistan

**Capital:** Kabul  
**Population:** 29121286  
**Area (km<sup>2</sup>):** 647500.0

### Antigua and Barbuda

**Capital:** St. John's  
**Population:** 86754  
**Area (km<sup>2</sup>):** 443.0

### Anguilla

**Capital:** The Valley  
**Population:** 13254  
**Area (km<sup>2</sup>):** 102.0

### Albania

**Capital:** Tirana  
**Population:** 2986952  
**Area (km<sup>2</sup>):** 28748.0

### Armenia

**Capital:** Yerevan  
**Population:** 2968000  
**Area (km<sup>2</sup>):** 29800.0

### Angola

**Capital:** Luanda  
**Population:** 13068161  
**Area (km<sup>2</sup>):** 1246700.0

### Antarctica

**Capital:** None  
**Population:** 0  
**Area (km<sup>2</sup>):** 1.4E7

<span class="country-capital"> <span class="country-population"> <span class="country-area">

```
response =
requests.get("https://www.scrapethissite.com/pages/simple/")
soup = BeautifulSoup(response.text, "html.parser")
countries = []
for country in soup.find_all("div", "country"):
    country_name = country.find("h3", "country-
name").get_text(strip=True)
    country_data = country.find("div", "country-info")
    country_capital = country_data.find("span", "country-
capital").get_text(strip=True)
    country_population = country_data.find("span", "country-
population").get_text(strip=True)
    country_area = country_data.find("span", "country-
area").get_text(strip=True)
    countries.append(
        { "name": country_name, "capital": country_capital,
          "population": country_population, "area": country_area,
        })

print(countries)
```

# Let's practice

Create a class **Hockey** which has an empty constructor which will scrape the site: <https://www.scrapethissite.com/pages/forms/>. Your goal is to take all the data and have it loaded into a python list and save as an attribute.