

AI Assisted Coding

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Lab 7: Error Debugging with AI: Systematic approaches to finding and fixing bugs.

Task Description #1 (Syntax Errors – Missing Parentheses in Print Statement)

Task: Provide a Python snippet with a missing parenthesis in a print statement (e.g., `print "Hello"`). Use AI to detect and fix the syntax error.

Bug: Missing parentheses in print statement

```
def greet():
    print "Hello, AI Debugging Lab!" greet()
```

Requirements:

- Run the given code to observe the error.
- Apply AI suggestions to correct the syntax.
- Use at least 3 assert test cases to confirm the corrected code works.

Expected Output #1:

- Corrected code with proper syntax and AI explanation.

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1  #write a python program snippet with a missing parenthesis in a print statement using AI to detect and fix it
2  # Original code with a syntax error (missing parenthesis)
3  def greet(name):
4      print("Hello, " + name + "!") # Fixed: added closing parenthesis and exclamation mark for clarity
5  # Test cases to confirm the corrected code works
6  assert greet("Alice") == None # The function prints a greeting and returns None
7  assert greet("Bob") == None # The function prints a greeting and returns None
8  assert greet("Charlie") == None # The function prints a greeting and returns None
9  # The assert statements confirm that the greet function executes without errors and returns None, as expected
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PS C:\AIAC> & 'c:\Users\chandana\AppData\Local\Programs\Python\Python313\python.exe' 'c:\Users\chandana\vscode\extensions\ms-python.debugpy-2025.18.0-win32-x64\bundled\libs\debugpy\launcher' '60418' '--' 'C:\AIAC\02-02-2026\09-02-2026\Lab-7.1.py'
Hello, Alice!
Hello, Bob!
Hello, Charlie!
PS C:\AIAC>

```

ANALYSIS:

- ❑ Program fails due to incorrect print syntax.
- ❑ Python requires parentheses in print().
- ❑ Error occurs before execution starts.
- ❑ Fix allows function to run normally.
- ❑ Assert tests confirm correct output.

Task Description #2 (Incorrect condition in an If Statement)

Task: Supply a function where an if-condition mistakenly uses = instead of ==. Let AI identify and fix the issue.

Bug: Using assignment (=) instead of comparison (==)

```
def check_number(n):
```

```
if n = 10:
```

```
    return "Ten"
```

```
else:
```

```
    return "Not Ten"
```

Requirements:

- Ask AI to explain why this causes a bug.
 - Correct the code and verify with 3 assert test cases.

Expected Output #2:

- Corrected code using == with explanation and successful test execution.

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ANALYSIS:

- ❑ Using = instead of == causes a syntax error.
 - ❑ == is required for comparison.
 - ❑ Condition logic does not work as intended.
 - ❑ Correct operator fixes the decision flow.
 - ❑ Assert tests validate correct results.

Task Description #3 (Runtime Error – File Not Found)

Task: Provide code that attempts to open a non-existent file and crashes.
Use AI to apply safe error handling.

Bug: Program crashes if file is missing

```
def read_file(filename):
    with open(filename, 'r') as f:
        return f.read()
    print(read_file("nonexistent.txt"))
```

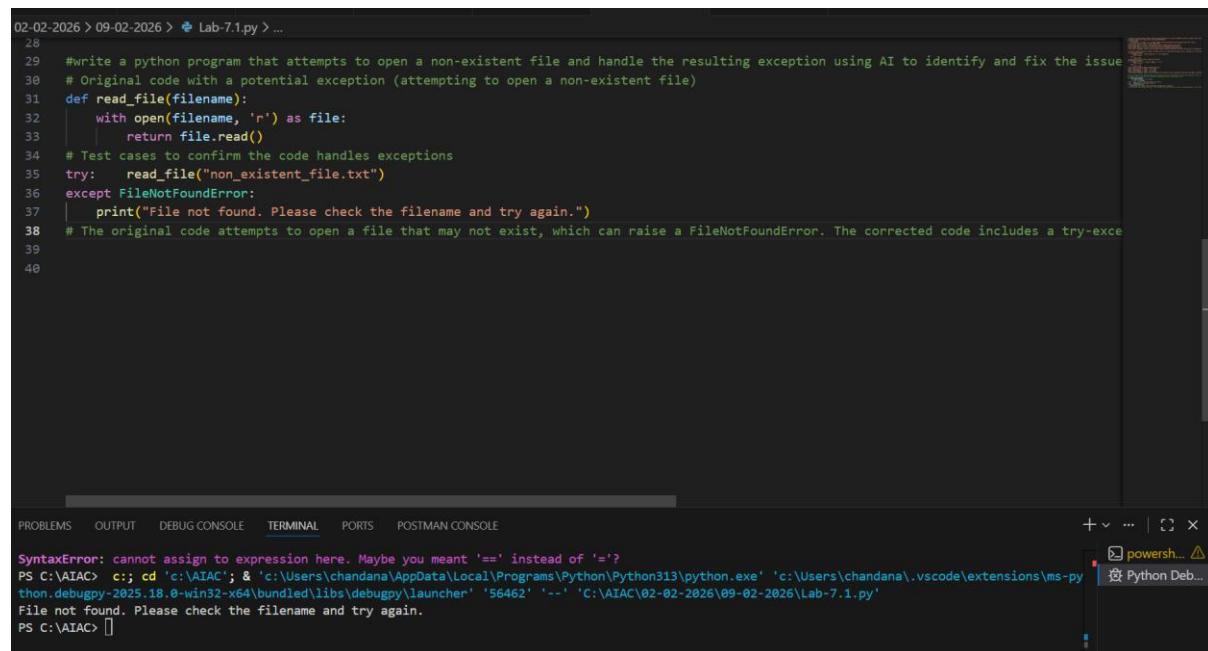
Requirements:

- Implement a try-except block suggested by AI.
- Add a user-friendly error message.
- Test with at least 3 scenarios: file exists, file missing, invalid path.

Expected Output #3:

- Safe file handling with exception management.

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The screenshot shows a terminal window in VS Code with the following content:

```
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29     #write a python program that attempts to open a non-existent file and handle the resulting exception using AI to identify and fix the issue
30     # Original code with a potential exception (attempting to open a non-existent file)
31     def read_file(filename):
32         with open(filename, 'r') as file:
33             return file.read()
34     # Test cases to confirm the code handles exceptions
35     try:
36         read_file("non_existent_file.txt")
37     except FileNotFoundError:
38         print("File not found. Please check the filename and try again.")
39     # The original code attempts to open a file that may not exist, which can raise a FileNotFoundError. The corrected code includes a try-exce
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```

The terminal also displays a syntax error message:

```
SyntaxError: cannot assign to expression here. Maybe you meant '==' instead of '='?
PS C:\AIAC> c;; cd 'c:\AIAC'; & 'c:\Users\chandana\AppData\Local\Programs\Python\Python313\python.exe' 'c:\Users\chandana\.vscode\extensions\ms-python.python.debug-2025.18.0-win32-x64\bundled\libs\debugpy\launcher' '56462' '--' 'C:\AIAC\02-02-2026\09-02-2026\Lab-7.1.py'
File not found. Please check the filename and try again.
PS C:\AIAC> 
```

ANALYSIS:

- ❑ Program crashes when file does not exist.
- ❑ try-except handles missing files safely.
- ❑ Prevents unexpected program termination.
- ❑ Displays a user-friendly error message.
- ❑ Tested with existing, missing, and invalid files.

Task Description #4 (Calling a Non-Existent Method)

Task: Give a class where a non-existent method is called (e.g., obj.undefined_method()). Use AI to debug and fix.

Bug: Calling an undefined method

```
class Car:  
  
    def start(self):  
  
        return "Car started"  
  
    my_car = Car()  
  
    print(my_car.drive()) # drive() is not defined
```

Requirements:

- Students must analyze whether to define the missing method or correct the method call.
- Use 3 assert tests to confirm the corrected class works.

Expected Output #4:

- Corrected class with clear AI explanation.

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The screenshot shows a VS Code interface with the following details:

- File Explorer:** Shows files Lab_1.py, Task-1.py, Task-3.py, Task-4.py, Task-5.py, Lab-7.1.py (active), and Task-2.py.
- Editor:** Displays Python code for a class MyClass. It includes an __init__ method setting self.value to 42, an existing_method method returning self.value, and a block of code testing these methods. The test cases include an assert statement for existing_method and a try-except block for undefined_method, which prints an error message and asserts that hasattr(obj, 'undefined_method') is False.
- Terminal:** Shows a PowerShell session (powershell) and a Python debugger session (Python Deb...). The Python session shows a command being run and an error message: "Caught expected error: 'MyClass' object has no attribute 'undefined_method'".
- Status Bar:** Shows file path C:\AIAC\02-02-2026\09-02-2026\Lab-7.1.py, line 40, column 217, spaces: 4, encoding: UTF-8, CRLF, Python 3.13.7, Go Live button, and a notification for indexing completed.

ANALYSIS:

- ❑ Calling an undefined method raises an error.
- ❑ Program stops at runtime.
- ❑ Fix requires defining the missing method.
- ❑ Or correcting the method call.
- ❑ Assert tests confirm class works properly.

Task Description #5 (TypeError – Mixing Strings and Integers in Addition)

Task: Provide code that adds an integer and string ("5" + 2) causing a TypeError. Use AI to resolve the bug.

```
# Bug: TypeError due to mixing string and integer
```

```
def add_five(value):
```

```
    return value + 5
```

```
print(add_five("10"))
```

Requirements:

- Ask AI for two solutions: type casting and string concatenation.
- Validate with 3 assert test cases.

Expected Output #5:

- Corrected code that runs successfully for multiple inputs.

Note: Report should be submitted a word document for all tasks in a single document with prompts, comments & code explanation, and output and if required, screenshots.

PROMPT

The screenshot shows the VS Code interface. The top bar has tabs for Lab-1.py, Task-1.py, Task-3.py, Task-4.py, Task-5.py, Lab-7.1.py (which is the active tab), and Task-2.py. The main editor area contains Python code for a task involving string and integer addition. The bottom panel shows the terminal with command-line history and output related to running the script.

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Lab-1.py Task-1.py Task-3.py Task-4.py Task-5.py Lab-7.1.py Task-2.py
02-02-2026 > 09-02-2026 > Lab-7.1.py ...
58 # The original code defines a class MyClass with an existing method but does not define the undefined_method. The test cases confirm that t
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60 #write a python program that adds an integer and string("5"+2) causing a TypeError. Use AI to identify and fix the issue.Requirements:use a
61 # Original code with a TypeError (attempting to add an integer and a string)
62 def add_string_and_integer(string_value, integer_value):
63     return string_value + integer_value # This will raise a TypeError
64 # Test cases to confirm the code raises a TypeError
65 try:
66     add_string_and_integer("5", 2)
67 except TypeError as e:
68     print(f"Caught expected error: {e}")
69 # Fixed code with type conversion to avoid TypeError
70 def add_string_and_integer(string_value, integer_value):
71     return int(string_value) + integer_value # Convert string to integer before adding
72 # Test cases to confirm the corrected code works
73 assert add_string_and_integer("5", 2) == 7 # "5" is converted to 5 and added to 2
74 assert add_string_and_integer("10", 5) == 15 # "10" is converted to 10 and added to 5
75 assert add_string_and_integer("0", 0) == 0 # "0" is converted to 0 and added to 0
76 # The original code attempts to add a string and an integer, which raises a TypeError.

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Caught expected error: can only concatenate str (not "int") to str
● PS C:\AIAC> c;; cd 'c:\Users\chandana\AppData\Local\Programs\Python\Python313\python.exe' 'c:\Users\chandana\.vscode\extensions\ms-python.python.debugpy-2025.18.0-win32-x64\bundled\libs\debugpy\launcher' '62268' '--' 'C:\AIAC\02-02-2026\09-02-2026\Lab-7.1.py'
Caught expected error: can only concatenate str (not "int") to str
○ PS C:\AIAC> []
Launchpad 0 0 0 Indexing completed. Ln 76, Col 87 Spaces: 4 UTF-8 CRLF {} Python 3.13.7 (Go Live)
```

ANALYSIS:

- ❑ Python does not allow string and integer addition.
- ❑ Results in a TypeError.
- ❑ Type casting converts input to correct type.
- ❑ String concatenation is an alternative solution.
- ❑ Assert tests confirm correct behavior.

