Assignment-7.3

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

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Task 1: Fixing Syntax Errors

Function contains syntax error (missing colon).

Buggy Code def add(a, b) return a + b

AI Prompt Used

"Find the syntax error in this Python function and correct it." **Corrected Code** def add(a, b):

return a + b print(add(5, 3))

Explanation

- Python requires a **colon (:)** after function declaration.
- Without colon → SyntaxError occurs.
- AI detected missing colon and corrected it.

Expected Output

8

Task 2: Debugging Logic Errors in Loops

Loop runs infinitely because increment is missing.

Buggy Code

i = 1 while i

<= 5:

```
    print(i)
```

AI Prompt Used

"Why is this loop infinite? Fix the logic error."

Corrected Code

```
i = 1 while i
<= 5:
    print(i)
i += 1
```

Explanation

- Value of i never changes in buggy code.
- Condition i <= 5 remains true forever.
- AI added increment i += 1.

Expected Output

1

2

3

4

5

Task 3: Handling Runtime Errors (Division by Zero)

Program crashes when divisor is zero.

Buggy Code

```
def divide(a, b):
return a / b

print(divide(10, 0))
```

AI Prompt Used

"Identify runtime error and add safe exception handling."

Corrected Code def

```
divide(a, b):
   try:
      return a / b     except
ZeroDivisionError:
      return "Cannot divide by zero"

print(divide(10, 0))
```

Explanation

- Division by zero raises **ZeroDivisionError**.
- AI added try-except block.
- Prevents program crash.

Expected Output

Cannot divide by zero

Task 4: Debugging Class Definition Errors

Constructor missing self parameter.

Buggy Code class Student:

```
def __init__(name, age):
    name = name
age = age
```

AI Prompt Used

"Fix constructor error and explain why self is required."

Corrected Code class Student:

```
def __init__(self, name, age):
    self.name = name
self.age = age

s1 = Student("Sai", 19)
print(s1.name, s1.age)
```

Explanation

- self represents current object instance.
- Without self, attributes are not stored inside object.
- AI corrected constructor and variable assignment.

Expected Output

Sai 19

Task 5: Resolving Index Errors in Lists

Program accesses invalid list index.

Buggy Code numbers

= [10, 20, 30]

print(numbers[5])

AI Prompt Used

"Identify index error and suggest safe list access."

Corrected Code (Method 1: Length Check) numbers

= [10, 20, 30]

index = 5 if index <

len(numbers):

print(numbers[index])

else:

print("Index out of range")

Corrected Code (Method 2: Exception Handling)

numbers = [10, 20, 30]

```
try:
    print(numbers[5]) except
IndexError:
    print("Index out of range")
```

Explanation

- Accessing index greater than list size causes **IndexError**.
- AI suggested:
    - Bounds checking using len() ○ OR try-except handling

Expected Output

Index out of range