

Homework 1

Below are four faulty programs. Each includes test inputs that result in failure. Answer the following questions about each program.

<pre> ''' Find last index of element @param x array to search @param y value to look for @return last index of y in x; -1 if absent @TypeError if x is None or ... ''' def find_last(x, y): i = len(x) - 1 while i > 0: if x[i] == y: return i i -= 1 return -1 # test: x = [2, 3, 5]; y = 2; Expected = 0 </pre>	<pre> ''' Find last index of zero @param x array to search @return last index of 0 in x; -1 if absent @TypeError if x is None or ... ''' def last_zero(x): i = 0 while i < len(x): if x[i] == 0: return i i += 1 return -1 # test: x = [0, 1, 0]; Expected = 2 </pre>
<pre> ''' Count positive elements @param x array to search @return count of positive elements in x @ TypeError if x is None or ... ''' def count_positive(x): count = 0 i = 0 while i < len(x): if x[i] >= 0: count += 1 i += 1 return count # test: x = [-4, 2, 0, 2]; Exptced = 2 </pre>	<pre> ''' Count odd or postive elements @param x array to search @return count of odd/positive values in x @ TypeError if x is None or ... ''' def odd_or_pos(x): count = 0 i = 0 while i < len(x): if x[i] > 0 or x[i] % 2 == -1: count += 1 i += 1 return count # test: x = [-3, -2, 0, 1, 4]; Expected = 3 </pre>

- Explain what is wrong with the given code. Describe the fault precisely by proposing a modification to the code.
- If possible, give a test case that does **not** execute the fault. If not, briefly explain why not. (You need to give the same number of arguments.)
- If possible, give a test case that executes the fault, but does **not** result in an error state. If not, briefly explain why not. (You also need to answer expected and actual output.)
- If possible, give a test case that results in an error state, but **not** a failure. If not, briefly explain why not. (You also need to answer expected and actual output.)
- For the given test case in (d), describe the first error state. Be sure to describe the complete state.

Fault:

- * A static defect in software.
- * Parts of source code that are incorrect.

Error State:

- * An incorrect internal state.
- * State information: variable values (including return value).

Failure:

- * External, incorrect behavior with respect to the expected behavior.