

Task Write a Python function: `fast_copy(source, count)` that:

- Allocates a destination structure large enough to hold `count` elements.
- Determines how many complete transfer groups of eight elements are required.
- Performs any necessary initial element transfers using structured control flow rather than iteration.
- Completes the remaining transfers in a repetitive block that assigns exactly eight elements per iteration.
- Returns the destination structure containing the copied elements.

Program:

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def fastcopy(source, count):  
    dest = [None] * count  
  
    if count == 0:  
        return dest  
  
    src = 0  
    dst = 0  
  
    groups = count // 8  
    remainder = count % 8  
  
    state = "PARTIAL" if remainder > 0 else "FULL"  
  
    if state == "PARTIAL":  
        if remainder >= 1:  
            dest[dst] = source[src]  
            src += 1  
            dst += 1  
  
        if remainder >= 2:  
            dest[dst] = source[src]  
            src += 1  
            dst += 1  
  
        if remainder >= 3:  
            dest[dst] = source[src]  
            src += 1  
            dst += 1  
  
        if remainder >= 4:  
            dest[dst] = source[src]
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src += 1
dst += 1

if remainder >= 5:
    dest[dst] = source[src]
    src += 1
    dst += 1

if remainder >= 6:
    dest[dst] = source[src]
    src += 1
    dst += 1

if remainder == 7:
    dest[dst] = source[src]
    src += 1
    dst += 1

state = "FULL"

while groups > 0:
    dest[dst] = source[src]
    dest[dst + 1] = source[src + 1]
    dest[dst + 2] = source[src + 2]
    dest[dst + 3] = source[src + 3]
    dest[dst + 4] = source[src + 4]
    dest[dst + 5] = source[src + 5]
    dest[dst + 6] = source[src + 6]
    dest[dst + 7] = source[src + 7]

    src += 8
    dst += 8

    groups -= 1

return dest
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Description:

PARTIAL state – copies leftover elements (0–7)

FULL GROUP state – repeatedly copies 8 elements

1. Compute full groups and remainder
2. Enter PARTIAL state if remainder exists
3. Transition to FULL_GROUP state
4. Copy exactly 8 elements per iteration

Input

source = [1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13]

count = 13

Computation

groups = $13 // 8 = 1$ (Quotient value)

remainder = $13 \% 8 = 5$

Execution Flow

PARTIAL state copies first 5 elements

FULL state copies remaining 8 elements

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