

LabAssignment#7.1

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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.

Output Screenshot:

The screenshot shows a code editor interface with several files listed in the Explorer sidebar. The current file is `task1.py`, which contains the following code:

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

The code has a syntax error: a missing closing parenthesis in the first `print` statement. The terminal below shows the output of running the code, indicating the error:

```
(.venv) PS C:\Users\Lenovo\Desktop\AI Coding & "C:\Users\Lenovo\Desktop\AI Coding\.venv\Scripts\python.exe" "C:/Users/Lenovo/Desktop/AI Coding/ass5.py/assignment 7.1.py/task1.py"
KeyboardInterrupt
Hello, AI Debugging Lab!
```

The terminal also shows the corrected code and its successful execution:

```
Task 1 tests passed!
```

Explanation: In Python 3, `print` is defined as a built-in function. A function call requires parentheses. Using the Python 2 `print` statement format violates Python 3 syntax rules, resulting in a `SyntaxError`. The correction is to use the functional form of `print()`.

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.

Output Screenshot:

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> OUTLINE  
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ass5.py > assignment 7.1.py > task2.py > ...  
1 def check_number(n):  
2     if n == 10:  
3         return "Ten"  
4     else:  
5         return "Not Ten"  
6  
7 # Assert Test Cases  
8 assert check_number(10) == "Ten"  
9 assert check_number(5) == "Not Ten"  
10 assert check_number(-10) == "Not Ten"  
11  
12 print("Task 2 tests passed!")  
13  
PROBLEMS OUTPUT DEBUG CONSOLE TERMINAL PORTS  
(.venv) PS C:\Users\Lenovo\Desktop\AI Coding> & "C:\Users\Lenovo\Desktop\AI Coding\.venv\Scripts\python.exe" "c:/Users/Lenovo/Desktop/AI Coding/ass5.py/assignment 7.1.py/task1.py"  
● (.venv) PS C:\Users\Lenovo\Desktop\AI Coding> & "C:\Users\Lenovo\Desktop\AI Coding\.venv\Scripts\python.exe" "c:/Users/Lenovo/Desktop/AI Coding/ass5.py/assignment 7.1.py/task2.py"  
Task 2 tests passed!  
● (.venv) PS C:\Users\Lenovo\Desktop\AI Coding>
```

Explanation:

The operator `=` is an assignment operator used to store a value in a variable. Conditional statements require a boolean expression, which is formed using comparison operators such as `==`. Using `=` in an if-condition is syntactically invalid in Python and produces a `SyntaxError`. The correction is to replace `=` with `==`.

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, invalidpath.

Expected Output #3:

- Safe file handling with exception management.

Output Screenshot:

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task3.py
1 def read_file(filename):
2     # 1) Handle invalid input like empty string or only spaces
3     if not isinstance(filename, str) or filename.strip() == "":
4         return "Error: Invalid file path."
5
6     # 2) Safe file handling
7     try:
8         with open(filename, "r") as f:
9             return f.read()
10
11     except FileNotFoundError:
12         return f"Error: File '{filename}' not found."
13
14     except OSError:
15         return f"Error: Invalid file path '{filename}'."
16
17     # Assert Test Cases
18     assert read_file("") == "Error: Invalid file path."
19     assert read_file(" ") == "Error: Invalid file path."
20     assert read_file("non_existent_file.txt") == "Error: File 'non_existent_file.txt' not found."
21     print("All tests passed!")

```

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vo/Desktop/AI Coding/ass5.py/assignment 7.1.py/task3.py"
All tests passed!
(.venv) PS C:\Users\Lenovo\Desktop\AI Coding>

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EXPLANATION : File operations depend on the existence and validity of the file path. When `open()` is executed with a missing file, Python raises a `File Not Found Error` at runtime. Exception handling using `try-except` prevents abrupt termination and enables controlled execution by returning a meaningful error message.

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.

Output Screenshot:

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

- File Explorer:** Shows a tree view of files. The current file is `task4.py`, which is selected.
- Code Editor:** Displays the following Python code:

```
ass5.py > assignment 7.1.py > task4.py > ...
1  class Car:
2      def start(self):
3          return "Car started"
4
5      def drive(self):
6          return "Car is driving"
7
8      # Object
9      my_car = Car()
10
11     # Output
12     print(my_car.drive())
13
14     # Assert Test Cases
15     assert my_car.start() == "Car started"
16     assert my_car.drive() == "Car is driving"
17     assert isinstance(my_car.drive(), str)
18
19     print("Task 4 tests passed!")
20
```

- Terminal:** Shows command-line output for running the script:

```
(.venv) PS C:\Users\Lenovo\Desktop\AI Coding> & "C:\Users\Lenovo\Desktop\AI Coding\ass5.py\assignment 7.1.py\task4.py"
Car is driving
Task 4 tests passed!
```

Explanation: In object-oriented programming, a method must be defined within a class before it can be invoked by an object of that class. Calling an undefined method results in an `AttributeError` because the object does not contain the requested attribute. The correction requires either defining the missing method in the class or modifying the call to an existing method.

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

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.

Output Screenshot:

The screenshot shows the Visual Studio Code interface with the following details:

- File Explorer:** Shows a folder structure under "AI CODING" containing ".venv" and "ass5.py". "ass5.py" is expanded, showing files like "task1.py", "task2.py", "task3.py", "task4.py", and "task5.py".
- Code Editor:** The active file is "task5.py" which contains the following code:

```
def add_five_cast(value):
    return int(value) + 5

# Assert Test Cases
assert add_five_cast("10") == 15
assert add_five_cast(0) == 5
assert add_five_cast("25") == 30

print("Task 5 (casting) tests passed!")
```
- Terminal:** The terminal shows the command being run and its output:

```
(.venv) PS C:\Users\Lenovo\Desktop\AI Coding> & "C:\Users\Lenovo\Desktop\AI Coding\.venv\Scripts\python.exe" "c:/Users/Lenovo/Desktop/AI Coding/ass5.py/assignment 7.1.py/task5.py"
Task 5 (casting) tests passed!
(.venv) PS C:\Users\Lenovo\Desktop\AI Coding>
```
- Status Bar:** Shows "Ln 10, Col 1" and other standard status bar information.

EXPLANATION : Python enforces strict type rules for arithmetic operations. Addition between a string and an integer is not supported because the operands are of incompatible types. This produces a `TypeError`. The correction is performed by explicit type conversion, either converting the string to an integer for numeric addition or converting the integer to a string for concatenation.