

# AI Assisted Coding Lab 7.3

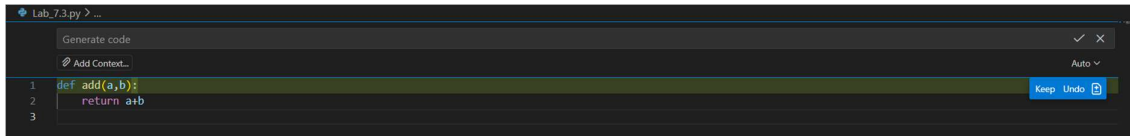
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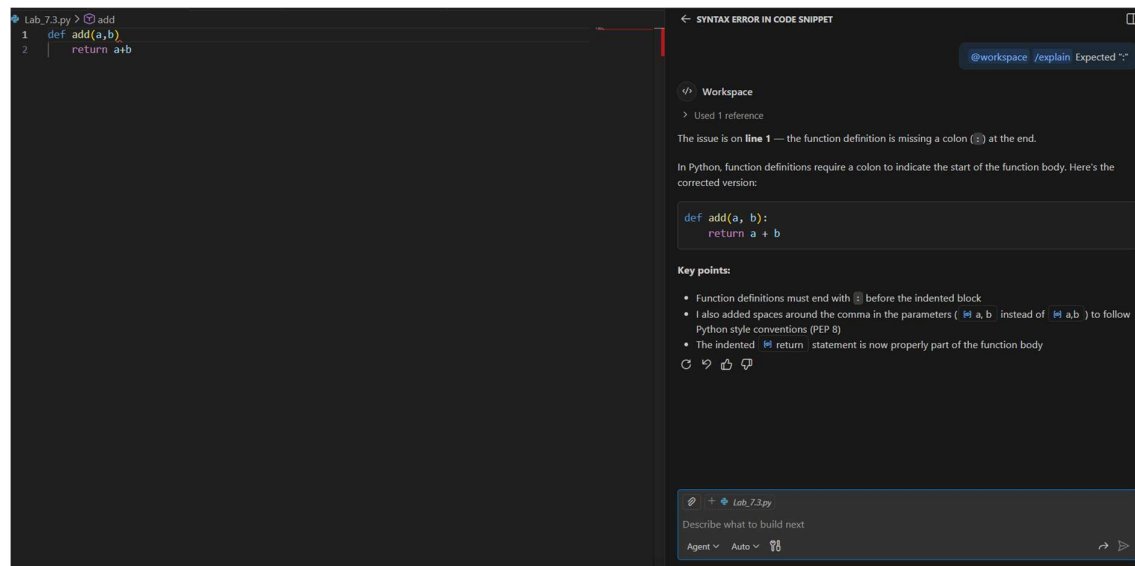
## Question 1: Fixing Syntax Errors

**Fix:**



The screenshot shows a code editor with a file named 'Lab\_7.3.py'. The code contains a function definition: `def add(a,b):` on line 1 and `return a+b` on line 2. A red squiggly line under the opening parenthesis of the function definition indicates a syntax error. The editor interface includes a 'Generate code' button, an 'Add Context...' button, and 'Keep' and 'Undo' buttons.

**Review:**



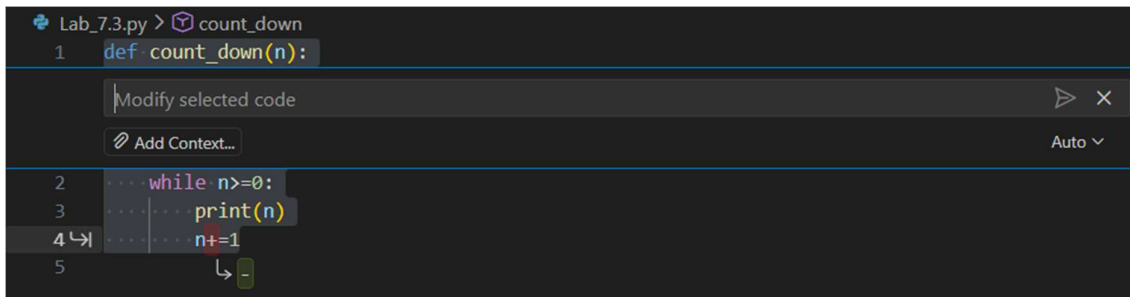
The screenshot shows the same code editor with the corrected code: `def add(a, b):` on line 1 and `return a + b` on line 2. The right-hand pane displays an AI-generated explanation titled 'SYNTAX ERROR IN CODE SNIPPET'. The explanation states: 'The issue is on line 1 — the function definition is missing a colon (:) at the end. In Python, function definitions require a colon to indicate the start of the function body. Here's the corrected version: `def add(a, b):` `return a + b`'. Below the explanation, 'Key points' are listed: 'Function definitions must end with : before the indented block', 'I also added spaces around the comma in the parameters ( a, b instead of a,b ) to follow Python style conventions (PEP 8)', and 'The indented return statement is now properly part of the function body'. At the bottom, there is a section for 'Lab\_7.3.py' with a prompt 'Describe what to build next' and an 'Agent' dropdown set to 'Auto'.

## JUSTIFICATION:

The syntax error occurred because the function definition was missing a colon at the end of the header line. In Python, a colon is mandatory to indicate the start of an indented block that forms the function body. The AI tool automatically detected the issue and suggested adding the colon in the correct place. After fixing it, the function executed normally and correctly returned the sum of the two inputs.

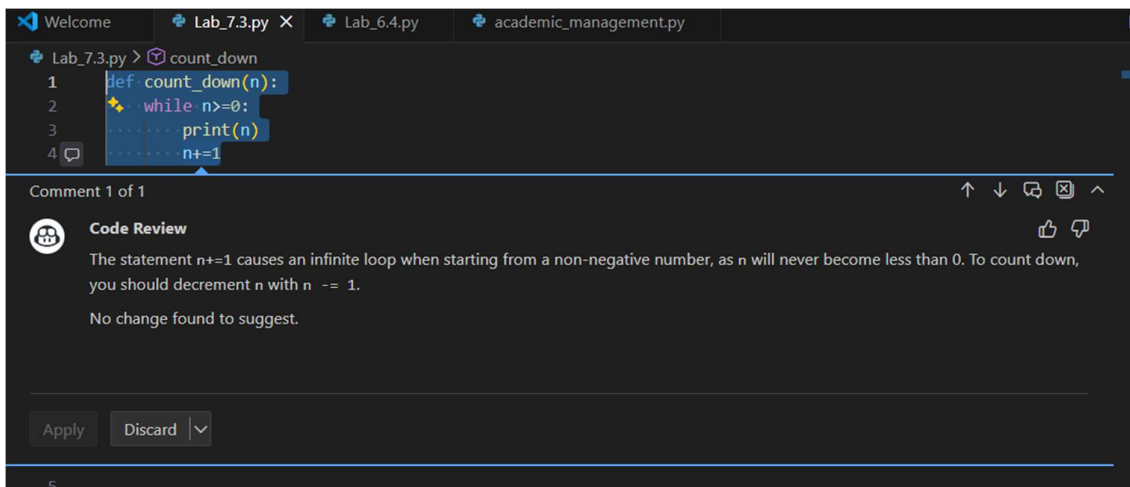
## Question 2: Debugging Logic Errors in Loops

**Fix:**



```
Lab_7.3.py > count_down
1 def count_down(n):
2     while n >= 0:
3         print(n)
4         n += 1
5
```

**Review:**



```
Lab_7.3.py > count_down
1 def count_down(n):
2     while n >= 0:
3         print(n)
4         n += 1
```

Comment 1 of 1

**Code Review**

The statement `n+=1` causes an infinite loop when starting from a non-negative number, as `n` will never become less than 0. To count down, you should decrement `n` with `n -= 1`.

No change found to suggest.

Apply Discard

## JUSTIFICATION:

The infinite loop occurred because the variable `n` was updated using `n += 1`, which increased the value instead of decreasing it. Since the loop condition checks `n >= 0`, increasing `n` prevents it from ever becoming negative, so the loop never stops. This logical mistake caused continuous execution. The AI identified the incorrect increment and suggested replacing it with `n -= 1` to properly decrease the value. After the fix, the loop counts down step-by-step and terminates correctly when the condition becomes false.

### Question 3: Handling Runtime Errors (Division by Zero)

Fix:

```
Lab_7.3.py > ...
1 def divide(a,b):
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2 ... return a/b
3 print(divide(10,0))
```

```
Lab_7.3.py > ...
1 def divide(a,b):
2 →| return a/b try:
3 print(divide(10,0)) return a/b
except ZeroDivisionError:
    return "Error: Division by zero is not allowed."
```

Review:

```
Lab_7.3.py > divide
1 def divide(a,b):
2 return a/b
3 print(divide(10,0))
```

Comment 1 of 3

**Code Review**

Division by zero will raise a ZeroDivisionError when b is 0. You should handle this case to prevent the program from crashing.

No change found to suggest.

Apply and Go to Next Discard and Go to Next

```
Lab_7.3.py > divide
1 def divide(a,b):
2 return a/b
3 print(divide(10,0))
```

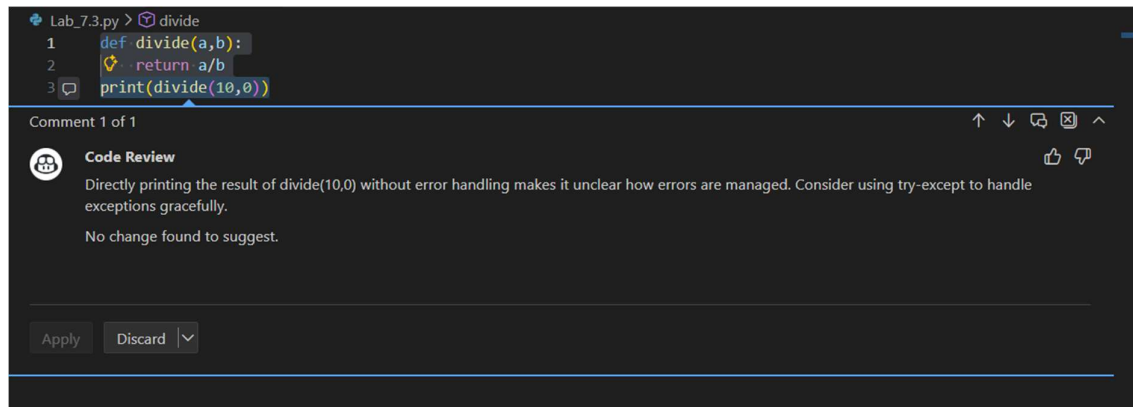
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**Code Review**

The function divide lacks a docstring explaining its parameters and behavior, especially regarding error handling.

No change found to suggest.

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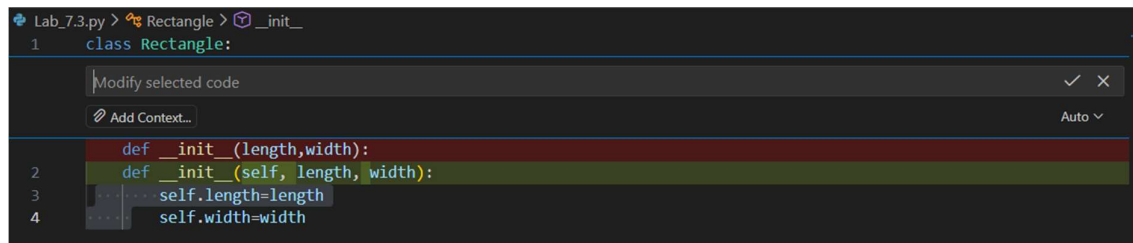


## JUSTIFICATION:

The original function directly divided two numbers without checking if the denominator was zero, which caused a runtime `ZeroDivisionError` and crashed the program. The AI detected this unsafe operation and recommended adding a try-except block to handle the exception. The try block attempts the division, while the except block catches the specific error and returns a friendly message. This prevents the program from terminating unexpectedly. After the fix, the function executes safely even when division by zero occurs.

## Question 4: Debugging Class Definition Errors

### Fix:



# Modify:

Lab\_7.3.py > Rectangle

```
1 class Rectangle:
2     def __init__(length,width):
3         self.length=length
4         self.width=width
```

CHAT

UNDEFINED 'SELF' ERROR IN CODE

@workspace /explain "self" is not defined, "self" is not defined

Workspace

Used 1 reference

You are seeing the error because the `__init__` method of your `Rectangle` class is missing the `self` parameter as its first argument. In Python, instance methods (including `__init__`) must always have `self` as the first parameter, which refers to the instance being created.

Here's how you should define your class:

```
class Rectangle:
    def __init__(self, length, width):
        self.length = length
        self.width = width
```

Explanation:

- `self` is a reference to the current instance of the class.
- Always include `self` as the first parameter in instance methods.

Gotcha:

Forgetting `self` is a common mistake when starting with Python classes. Always check your method signatures!

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# Review:

Lab\_7.3.py > Rectangle

```
1 class Rectangle:
2     def __init__(length,width):
3         self.length=length
4         self.width=width
```

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Code Review

The `__init__` method is missing the `self` parameter. It should be `def __init__(self, length, width):`.

No change found to suggest.

Apply and Go to Next Discard and Go to Next

Lab\_7.3.py > Rectangle

```
1 class Rectangle:
2     def __init__(length,width):
3         self.length=length
4         self.width=width
```

Comment 1 of 2

Code Review

`self` is not defined in the current scope due to the missing `self` parameter in `__init__`. This will cause a `NameError`.

No change found to suggest.

Apply and Go to Next Discard and Go to Next

```
Lab_7.3.py > Rectangle
1 class Rectangle:
2     def __init__(length,width):

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Code Review
There should be a space after each comma in the parameter list (length, width).
No change found to suggest.

Apply Discard

3     self.length=length
4     self.width=width
```

## JUSTIFICATION:

The original constructor missed the `self` parameter, which caused `self` to be undefined inside the method and resulted in an error. In Python, `self` refers to the current object instance and is required in all instance methods. Without it, attributes cannot be assigned to the object properly. The AI detected this issue and corrected the method signature by adding `self` as the first parameter. After the fix, the class initializes objects correctly and stores the rectangle's dimensions without errors.

## Question 5: Resolving Index Errors in Lists

### Fix:

```
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Lab_7.3.py > ...
1 numbers=[1,2,3]

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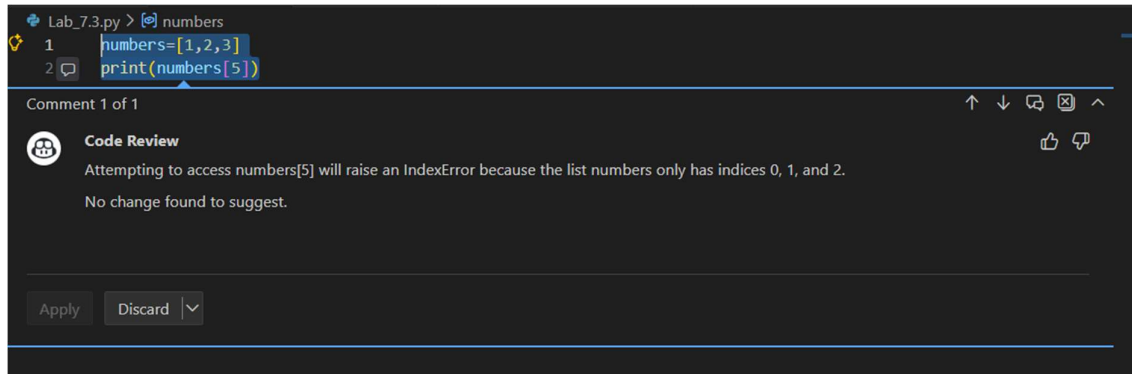
2 print(numbers[5])

Lab_7.3.py > ...
1 numbers=[1,2,3]

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print(numbers[5])
# Print the last element safely
2 if len(numbers) > 5:
3     print(numbers[5])
4 else:
5     print("Index 5 does not exist in the list.")
6
```

## Review:



## JUSTIFICATION:

The original code attempted to access `numbers[5]`, but the list contains only three elements, so valid indices are 0 to 2. This caused an index error at runtime because the position was out of range. The AI detected this unsafe access and recommended checking the list length before indexing. By using a bounds check with `len(numbers)`, the program safely verifies whether the index exists. After applying the fix, the program handles invalid indices gracefully without crashing.