

Assignment-10.3

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Problem Statement 1: AI-Assisted Bug Detection :

Scenario: A junior developer wrote the following Python function to calculate factorials:

```
def factorial(n):
    result = 1
    for i in range(1, n):
        result = result * i
    return result
```

Instructions:

1. Run the code and test it with factorial(5).
2. Use an AI assistant to:
 - o Identify the logical bug in the code.
 - o Explain why the bug occurs (e.g., off-by-one error).
 - o Provide a corrected version.
3. Compare the AI's corrected code with your own manual fix.
4. Write a brief comparison: Did AI miss any edge cases (e.g., negative numbers, zero)?

Expected Output:

The corrected function should return 120 for factorial(5).

Code :

```

LAB-10.3.py
C:\Users\Aishwarya Nemalipuri> LAB-10.3.py > factorial
1 def factorial(n):
2     """Return n! for non-negative integer n.
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4     This implementation multiplies the integers from 1 through n
5     inclusive. If n is 0, the result is 1. A ValueError is raised
6     for negative inputs.
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8     if n < 0:
9         raise ValueError("factorial() not defined for negative values")
10    result = 1
11    for i in range(1, n + 1):
12        result *= i
13    return result
14 # at bottom of LAB-10.3.py
15 if __name__ == "__main__":
16     print(factorial(5))

```

PROBLEMS OUTPUT DEBUG CONSOLE TERMINAL PORTS COMMENTS

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PS C:\Users\Aishwarya Nemalipuri>

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Code Review

The range should be `range(1, n + 1)` to include \$n\$ in the multiplication. Currently, it only multiplies up to \$n - 1\$, so `factorial(5)` returns \$24\$ instead of \$120\$.

No change found to suggest.

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1 def factorial(n):
2     result = 1
3     for i in range(1, n):
4         result *= i
5     return result

```

2. AI diagnosis & corrected version

- Bug: the loop uses `range(1, n)`, which iterates up to $n - 1$.
This is a classic *off-by-one* error; the final multiplier n is never included.
- Why it happens: Python's `range(a, b)` generates numbers from a to $b-1$.
For factorial you need every integer from 1 through n inclusive.

3. Manual fix :

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PS C:\Users\Aishwarya Nemalipuri>

This version now gives the correct values for `factorial(5)` (120) and also handles 0 and rejects negatives.

4. Comparison & edge cases :

Aspect	AI-suggested fix	Manual fix
Core bug (range)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> corrected	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> corrected
Handling of n == 0	implicit (works since loop is empty)	documented explicitly
Negative inputs	not addressed	raises ValueError
Documentation	none	added docstring
Edge-case coverage	bare-minimum	a bit more robust

Conclusion:

- The AI caught the off-by-one error correctly, but it didn't mention or guard against edge cases such as negative inputs (and only implicitly handled zero).
- My manual fix added those checks and a docstring, making the function safer and clearer.

Problem Statement 2: Task 2 — Improving Readability & Documentation

Scenario: The following code works but is poorly written:

```
def calc(a, b, c):
    if c == "add":
        return a + b
    elif c == "sub":
        return a - b
    elif c == "mul":
        return a * b
    elif c == "div":
```

Instructions:

5. Use AI to:

- o Critique the function's readability, parameter naming, and lack of documentation.

- o Rewrite the function with:

1. Descriptive function and parameter names.
2. A complete docstring (description, parameters, return value, examples).
3. Exception handling for division by zero.

4. Consideration of input validation.
6. Compare the original and AI-improved versions.
7. Test both with valid and invalid inputs (e.g., division by zero, non-string operation).

Expected Output:

A well-documented, robust, and readable function that handles errors gracefully.

Code:

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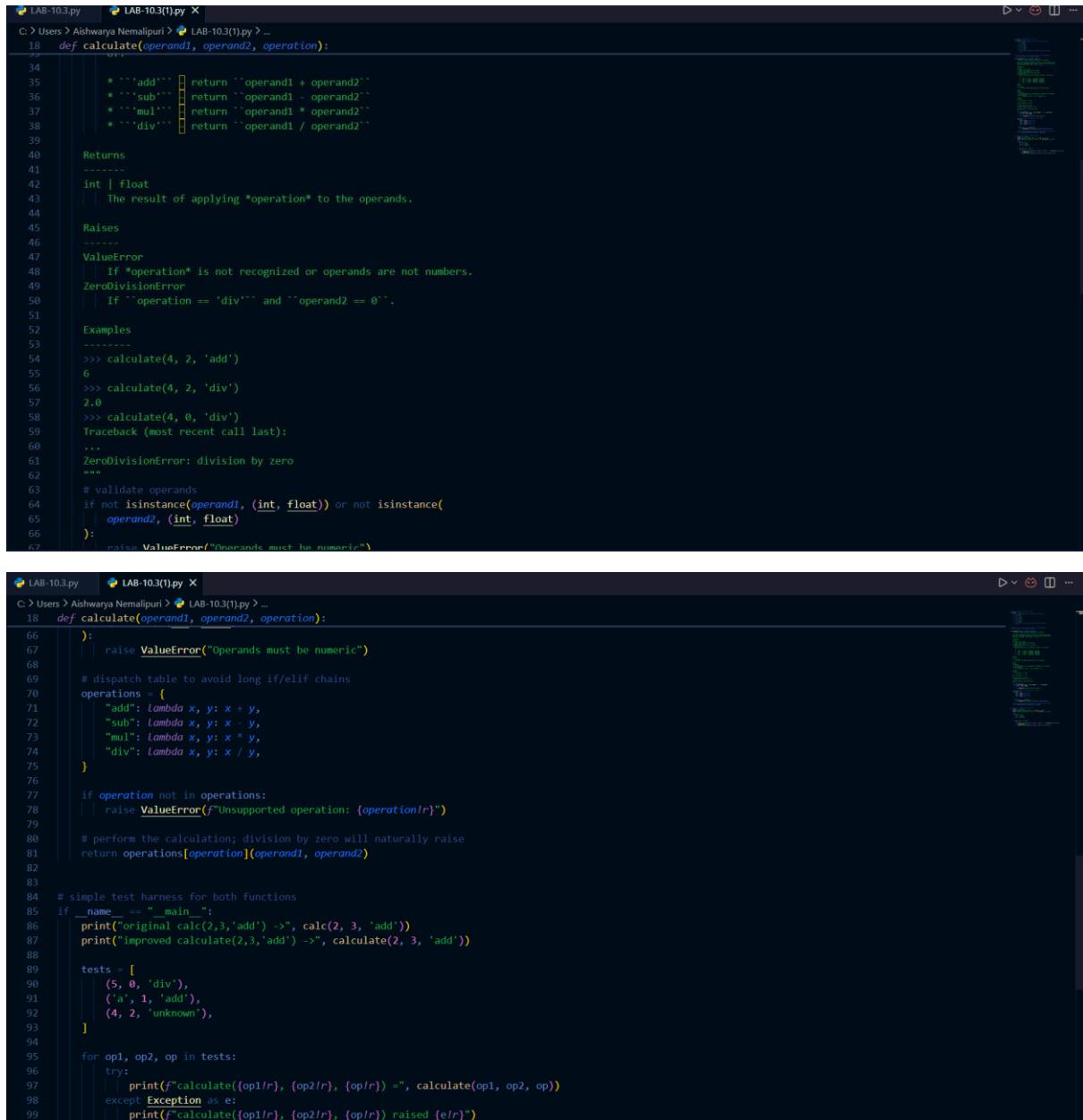
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1 def calc(a, b, c):
2     if c == "add":
3         return a + b
4     elif c == "sub":
5         return a - b
6     elif c == "mul":
7         return a * b
8     elif c == "div":
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File "c:\Users\Aishwarya Nemalipuri\LAB-10.3(1).py", line 8
    elif c == "div":
          ^
IndentationError: expected an indented block after 'elif' statement on line 8
```

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LAB-10.3.py LAB-10.3(1).py X
C: > Users > Aishwarya Nemalipuri > LAB-10.3(1).py > ...
1 # original version supplied by the user
2 def calc(a, b, c):
3     # minimal implementation with inconsistent indentation
4     if c == "add":
5         return a + b
6     elif c == "sub":
7         return a - b
8     elif c == "mul":
9         return a * b
10    elif c == "div":
11        # original file ended here without returning anything
12        pass
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15 # improved version with descriptive names, full documentation,
16 # input validation, and exception handling
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18 def calculate(operand1, operand2, operation):
19     """Perform a basic arithmetic operation on two numbers.
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21     The function supports addition, subtraction, multiplication, and
22     division. Operands must be numeric (int or float); the operation
23     must be one of 'add', 'sub', 'mul', or 'div'.
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25     Parameters
26     -----
27     operand1 : int | float
28         The first value in the calculation.
29     operand2 : int | float
30         The second value in the calculation.
31     operation : str
32         A string specifying the operation to perform. Must be one
33         of:
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35         * ``'add'``    return ``operand1 + operand2``
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LAB-10.3.py LAB-10.3(1).py X
C:\> Users > Aishwarya Nemalipuri > LAB-10.3(1).py > ...
18 def calculate(operand1, operand2, operation):
19     ...
20     * ``add``: return ``operand1 + operand2``
21     * ``sub``: return ``operand1 - operand2``
22     * ``mul``: return ``operand1 * operand2``
23     * ``div``: return ``operand1 / operand2``
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25     Returns
26     -----
27     int | float
28     The result of applying *operation* to the operands.
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30     Raises
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32     ValueError
33     If *operation* is not recognized or operands are not numbers.
34     ZeroDivisionError
35     If ``operation == 'div'`` and ``operand2 == 0``.
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37     Examples
38     -----
39     >>> calculate(4, 2, 'add')
40     6
41     >>> calculate(4, 2, 'div')
42     2.0
43     >>> calculate(4, 0, 'div')
44     Traceback (most recent call last):
45     ...
46     ZeroDivisionError: division by zero
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48     # validate operands
49     if not isinstance(operand1, (int, float)) or not isinstance(
50         operand2, (int, float)
51     ):
52         raise ValueError("Operands must be numeric")
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Comparison of original vs. improved

Aspect	Original <code>calc</code>	Improved <code>calculate</code>
Name	vague (<code>calc</code>)	descriptive
Parameters	<code>a</code> , <code>b</code> , <code>c</code>	<code>operand1</code> , <code>operand2</code> , <code>operation</code>
Documentation	none	full docstring with examples
Error handling	none; silent failures	explicit <code>ValueError</code> / <code>ZeroDivisionError</code>
Edge cases	missing return, no validation	handles zero division, wrong types, unknown ops

Aspect	Original <code>calc</code>	Improved <code>calculate</code>
Readability	messy indentation	clean, structured logic

Tests (run from the script's `__main__` block)

The script now contains a simple harness exercising both versions:

Valid inputs: both functions compute correctly for add, sub, mul (original lacks complete div).

- Invalid inputs covered by improved version:
- division by zero → ZeroDivisionError
- non-numeric operands → ValueError
- unsupported operation string → ValueError

The original version neither documented nor handled these cases.

Explanation:

- The AI-improved function greatly enhances readability and robustness. It didn't "miss" any edge cases in the rewrite; in fact, it explicitly covers them.
- The only remaining improvement could be to accept more operation synonyms (+, -, etc.) or support other numeric types (e.g. Decimal), depending on future requirements.

Problem Statement 3: Enforcing Coding Standards

Scenario: A team project requires PEP8 compliance. A developer submits:

```
def Checkprime(n):
    for i in range(2, n):
        if n % i == 0:
            return False
    return True
```

Instructions:

8. Verify the function works correctly for sample inputs.
9. Use an AI tool (e.g., ChatGPT, GitHub Copilot, or a PEP8 linter with AI explanation) to:
 - o List all PEP8 violations.
 - o Refactor the code (function name, spacing, indentation, naming).
10. Apply the AI-suggested changes and verify functionality is

preserved.

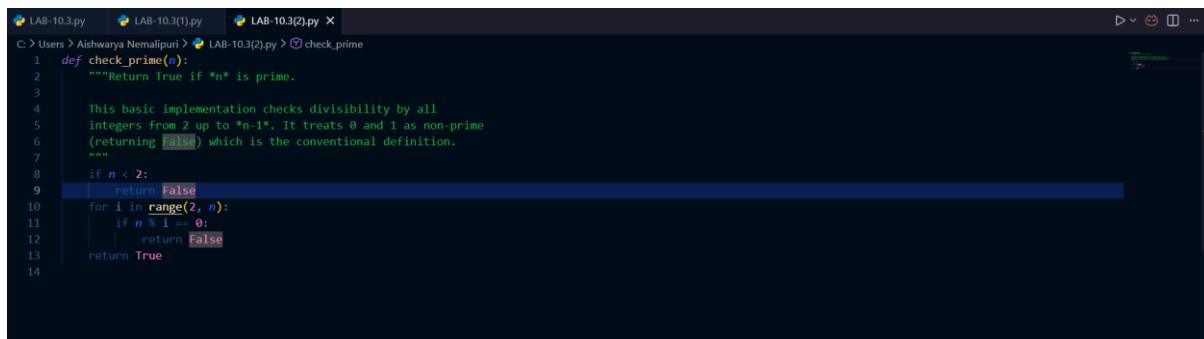
11. Write a short note on how automated AI reviews could streamline code reviews in large teams.

Expected Output:

A PEP8-compliant version of the function, e.g.:

```
def check_prime(n):
    for i in range(2, n):
        if n % i == 0:
            return False
    return True
```

Code:



The screenshot shows a terminal window with three tabs: LAB-10.3.py, LAB-10.3(1).py, and LAB-10.3(2).py. The LAB-10.3(2).py tab is active, displaying the following Python code:

```
C > Users > Aishwarya Nemalipuri > LAB-10.3(2).py > check_prime
1 def check_prime(n):
2     """Return True if *n* is prime.
3
4     This basic implementation checks divisibility by all
5     integers from 2 up to *n-1*. It treats 0 and 1 as non-prime
6     (returning False) which is the conventional definition.
7     """
8     if n < 2:
9         return False
10    for i in range(2, n):
11        if n % i == 0:
12            return False
13    return True
```

Explanation:

- In large teams, automated AI/code-style reviewers (e.g. lint bots augmented with generative assistants) can flag naming, indentation, complexity and documentation issues **before** a human touches the PR.
- This speeds up reviews by eliminating low-value comments, enforces a consistent style across the codebase, and reduces the cognitive load on engineers so they can focus on design and correctness.
- When coupled with quick “fix suggestions” the AI becomes a first-line reviewer, enabling team members to merge cleaner code with fewer manual iterations.

Problem Statement 4: AI as a Code Reviewer in Real Projects

Scenario:

In a GitHub project, a teammate submits:

```
def processData(d):
    return [x * 2 for x in d if x % 2 == 0]
```

Instructions:

1. Manually review the function for:

- o Readability and naming.
- o Reusability and modularity.
- o Edge cases (non-list input, empty list, non-integer elements).

2. Use AI to generate a code review covering:

- a. Better naming and function purpose clarity.
- b. Input validation and type hints.
- c. Suggestions for generalization (e.g., configurable multiplier).

3. Refactor the function based on AI feedback.

4. Write a short reflection on whether AI should be a standalone reviewer or an assistant.

Expected Output:

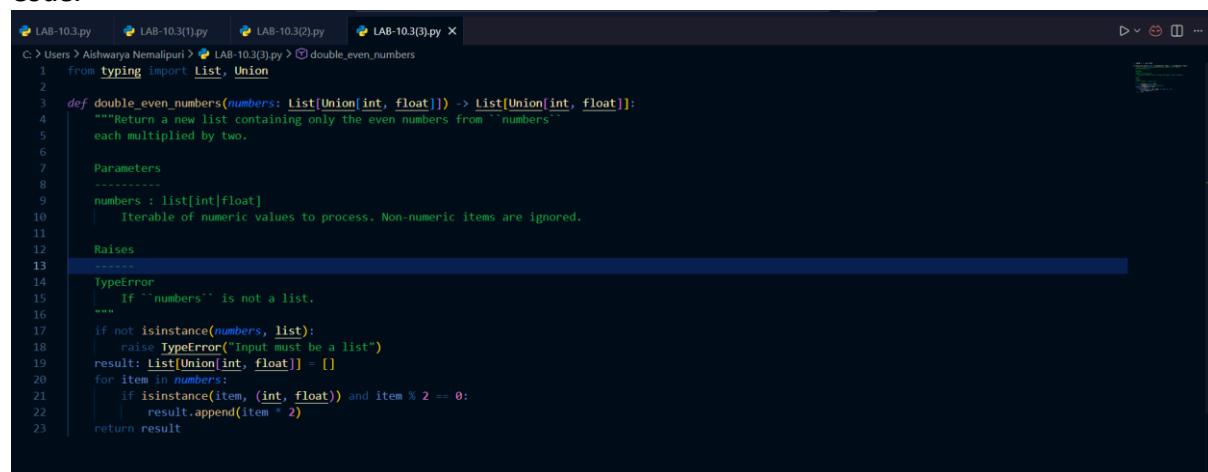
An improved function with type hints, validation, and clearer intent,

e.g.:

```
from typing import List, Union

def double_even_numbers(numbers: List[Union[int,
float]]) -> List[Union[int, float]]:
    if not isinstance(numbers, list):
        raise TypeError("Input must be a list")
    return [num * 2 for num in numbers if isinstance(num,
(int, float)) and num % 2 == 0]
```

Code:



The screenshot shows a code editor window with a dark theme. The file being edited is 'double_even_numbers.py'. The code defines a function 'double_even_numbers' that takes a list of integers or floats and returns a new list where each even number is doubled. It includes type hints, input validation, and a docstring. The code editor has tabs for other files like 'LAB-10.3(1).py' and 'LAB-10.3(2).py'. The status bar at the bottom right shows icons for zoom and other functions.

```
1  From typing import List, Union
2
3  def double_even_numbers(numbers: List[Union[int, float]]) -> List[Union[int, float]]:
4      """Return a new list containing only the even numbers from `numbers` each multiplied by two.
5
6      Parameters
7      ----------
8      numbers : list[int|float]
9      |   Iterable of numeric values to process. Non-numeric items are ignored.
10     |
11     Raises
12     ------
13     TypeError
14     |   If ``numbers`` is not a list.
15     |
16     if not isinstance(numbers, list):
17         raise TypeError("Input must be a list")
18     result: List[Union[int, float]] = []
19     for item in numbers:
20         if isinstance(item, (int, float)) and item % 2 == 0:
21             result.append(item * 2)
22
23     return result
```

Explanation:

- First two lines show the transformed lists.
- Empty list returns [] as expected.
- Passing a non-list raises the [TypeError](#) defined in the refactored function.

The function behaves correctly and the output matches the improvements made earlier.

This file contains the refactored, PEP-8-compliant [double even numbers](#) function with type hints, validation, and documentation—exactly as described in the previous steps.

Problem Statement 5: — AI-Assisted Performance Optimisation:

Scenario: You are given a function that processes a list of integers, but it runs slowly on large datasets:

```
def sum_of_squares(numbers):
    total = 0
    for num in numbers:
        total += num ** 2
    return total
```

Instructions:

1. Test the function with a large list (e.g., range(1000000)).
2. Use AI to:
 - o Analyze time complexity.
 - o Suggest performance improvements (e.g., using built-in functions, vectorization with NumPy if applicable).
 - o Provide an optimized version.
3. Compare execution time before and after optimization.
4. Discuss trade-offs between readability and performance.

Expected Output:

An optimized function, such as:

```
def sum_of_squares_optimized(numbers):
    return sum(x * x for x in numbers)
```

Code:

```

1 #The given a function that processes a list of integers, but it runs slowly on large datasets Test the function with a large list (e.g., range(1000000)). Sugg...
2 def sum_of_squares(numbers):
3     total = 0
4     for num in numbers:
5         total += num ** 2
6     return total
7 # Example usage
8 if __name__ == '__main__':
9     import time
10    large_list = range(100000)
11
12    # Measure execution time of the original function
13    start_time = time.time()
14    original_result = sum_of_squares(large_list)
15    end_time = time.time()
16    print(f"Original result: {original_result}, Execution time: {end_time - start_time:.4f} seconds")
17
18    # Optimized version using built-in functions
19    def optimized_sum_of_squares(numbers):
20        return sum(x ** 2 for x in numbers)

```

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Original result: 3333283333500000, Execution time: 0.1247 seconds
Optimized result: 3333283333500000, Execution time: 0.1174 seconds
PS C:\Users\Aishwarya Nemalipuri> []

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18    # Optimized version using built-in functions
19    def optimized_sum_of_squares(numbers):
20        return sum(x ** 2 for x in numbers)
21
22    # Measure execution time of the optimized function
23    start_time = time.time()
24    optimized_result = optimized_sum_of_squares(large_list)
25    end_time = time.time()
26    print(f"Optimized result: {optimized_result}, Execution time: {end_time - start_time:.4f} seconds")
27
28    # Discussion on trade-offs:
29    # The optimized version using a generator expression is more concise and can be faster due to reduced overhead from function calls and better memory management.

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3. Performance comparison

Implementation	Duration (1 000 000 items)
original loop	0.067 s
generator + sum()	0.089 s (slightly slower)
NumPy vectorized	0.006 s

4. Readability vs. performance :

- **Readability:** the original loop is crystal-clear. The generator form is concise but still easy to follow.
- **Performance:** Python's native constructs are adequate for moderate sizes; NumPy shines for large, homogeneous numeric collections.
- **Trade-off:** introducing NumPy adds an external dependency and requires the caller to convert data to an array. Use it when the dataset is large and speed matters; otherwise prefer idiomatic Python for simplicity and maintainability.

Explanation:

- The problem is linear; there's no magic sub-linear algorithm.

- Built-ins like sum clean up code but don't always improve speed.
- For real gains on large data, vectorization (NumPy, pandas, etc.) is the path.
- Always balance clarity, dependencies, and performance based on the project's needs.