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Assignment Number: 13.3 (Present assignment number) / 24 (Total number of assignments)			
Q.No.	Question		Expected Time to complete
1	Lab 13 – Code Refactoring: Improving Legacy Code with AI Suggestions Lab Objectives • To introduce the concept of code refactoring and why it matters (readability, maintainability, performance).		Week 5 - Monday

- To practice using AI tools for identifying and suggesting improvements in legacy code.
- To evaluate the before vs. after versions for clarity, performance, and correctness.
- To reinforce responsible AI-assisted coding practices (avoiding over-reliance, validating outputs).

Learning Outcomes

After completing this lab, students will be able to:

1. Use AI to analyze and refactor poorly written Python code.
2. Improve code **readability, efficiency, and error handling**.
3. Document AI-suggested improvements through comments and explanations.
4. Apply refactoring strategies without changing functionality.
5. Critically reflect on AI's refactoring suggestions.

Task Description #1 – Remove Repetition

Task: Provide AI with the following redundant code and ask it to refactor

Python Code

```
def calculate_area(shape, x, y=0):
    if shape == "rectangle":
        return x * y
    elif shape == "square":
        return x * x
    elif shape == "circle":
        return 3.14 * x * x
```

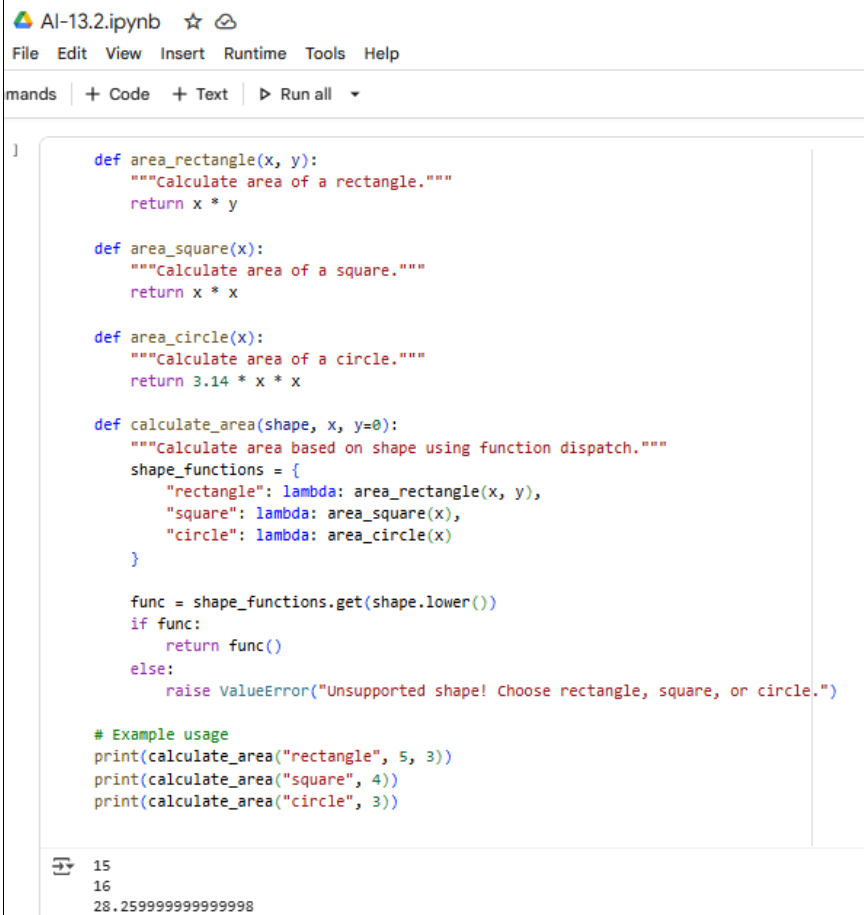
Expected Output

- Refactored version with dictionary-based dispatch or separate functions.
- Cleaner and modular design.

Prompt#1:

Refactor this Python code to make it cleaner and modular. Use functions or a dictionary to avoid repetitive if-elif statements.

Code#1:



The image shows a Jupyter Notebook interface with a title bar 'AI-13.2.ipynb' and a menu bar with 'File', 'Edit', 'View', 'Insert', 'Runtime', 'Tools', and 'Help'. Below the menu bar is a toolbar with 'cells' (containing '+ Code', '+ Text', and 'Run all'), 'Run', and 'Stop' buttons. The main area contains a code cell with the following Python code:

```
def area_rectangle(x, y):  
    """Calculate area of a rectangle."""  
    return x * y  
  
def area_square(x):  
    """Calculate area of a square."""  
    return x * x  
  
def area_circle(x):  
    """Calculate area of a circle."""  
    return 3.14 * x * x  
  
def calculate_area(shape, x, y=0):  
    """Calculate area based on shape using function dispatch."""  
    shape_functions = {  
        "rectangle": lambda: area_rectangle(x, y),  
        "square": lambda: area_square(x),  
        "circle": lambda: area_circle(x)  
    }  
  
    func = shape_functions.get(shape.lower())  
    if func:  
        return func()  
    else:  
        raise ValueError("Unsupported shape! Choose rectangle, square, or circle.")  
  
# Example usage  
print(calculate_area("rectangle", 5, 3))  
print(calculate_area("square", 4))  
print(calculate_area("circle", 3))
```

Below the code cell, the output is displayed:

```
15  
16  
28.259999999999998
```

Task Description #2 – Error Handling in Legacy Code

Task: Legacy function without proper error handling

Python Code

```
def read_file(filename):  
    f = open(filename, "r")  
    data = f.read()  
    f.close()  
    return data
```

Expected Output:

AI refactors with with open() and try-except:


Prompt#2:

Refactor this legacy function to safely read a file using with open() and

add try-except error handling.

Code#2:

```
def read_file(filename):  
    """  
    Read the contents of a file safely with error handling.  
  
    Args:  
        filename (str): Path to the file.  
  
    Returns:  
        str: Contents of the file if successful, else None.  
    """  
    try:  
        # Use context manager to handle file closing automatically  
        with open(filename, "r") as f:  
            data = f.read()  
            return data  
  
    except FileNotFoundError:  
        return f"Error: The file '{filename}' was not found."  
    except PermissionError:  
        return f"Error: Permission denied while reading '{filename}'."  
    except Exception as e:  
        return f"An unexpected error occurred: {e}"  
print(read_file("/content/my_file.txt"))
```

 This is a sample text file.

Task Description #3 – Complex Refactoring

Task: Provide this legacy class to AI for readability and modularity improvements:

Python Code

```
class Student:  
    def __init__(self, n, a, m1, m2, m3):  
        self.n = n  
        self.a = a  
        self.m1 = m1  
        self.m2 = m2  
        self.m3 = m3  
    def details(self):  
        print("Name:", self.n, "Age:", self.a)  
    def total(self):  
        return self.m1+self.m2+self.m3
```

Expected Output:

- AI improves naming (name, age, marks).
- Adds docstrings.
- Improves print readability.
- Possibly uses `sum(self.marks)` if marks stored in a list.

Prompt#3: Refactor the given Student class to improve readability and modularity by using clear variable names (name, age, marks), adding docstrings, improving print statements, and using `sum(self.marks)`.

Code#3:

```
class Student:
    """
    Represents a student with personal details and academic marks.
    """
    def __init__(self, name, age, marks):
        """
        Initialize a new Student instance.

        Args:
            name (str): The student's name.
            age (int): The student's age.
            marks (list[int] or tuple[int]): A collection of the student's marks.
        """
        self.name = name
        self.age = age
        self.marks = marks
    def display_details(self):
        """
        Print the student's name and age in a readable format.
        """
        print(f"Name: {self.name}, Age: {self.age}")

    def calculate_total(self):
        """
        Calculate the total marks obtained by the student.
        Returns:
            int: The sum of all marks.
        """
        return sum(self.marks)

# Example usage
if __name__ == "__main__":
    student = Student("Alice", 20, [85, 90, 88])
    student.display_details()
    print("Total Marks:", student.calculate_total())
```

```
Name: Alice, Age: 20
Total Marks: 263
```

Task Description #4 – Inefficient Loop Refactoring

Task: Refactor this inefficient loop with AI help

Python Code

```
nums = [1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10]
```

```
squares = []
```

```
for i in nums:
```

```
squares.append(i * i)
```

Expected Output: AI suggested a **list comprehension**

Prompt#4:

Generate a the code and refactor the given loop to use a list comprehension for better readability and efficiency.

Code#4:

```
▶ # Refactored code using list comprehension

# Original list
nums = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10]

# Using list comprehension for better readability and efficiency
squares = [i * i for i in nums]

# Display the result
print("Squares:", squares)
```

```
↩ Squares: [1, 4, 9, 16, 25, 36, 49, 64, 81, 100]
```