

Lab Assignment 1.2 – AI Assisted Coding

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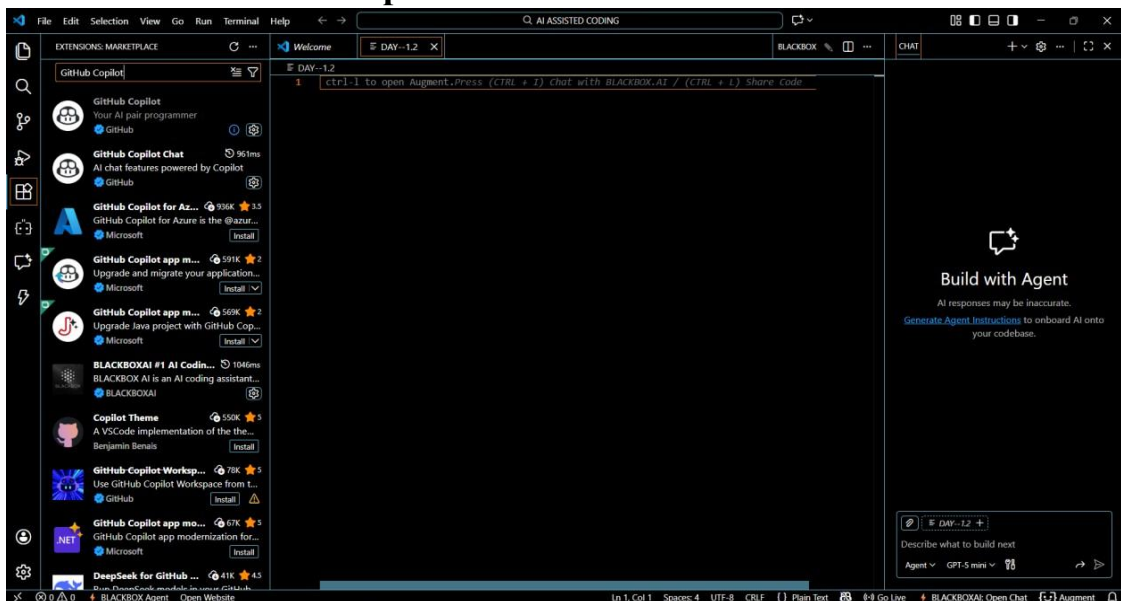
Task 0: GitHub Copilot Installation & Configuration

Steps Followed:

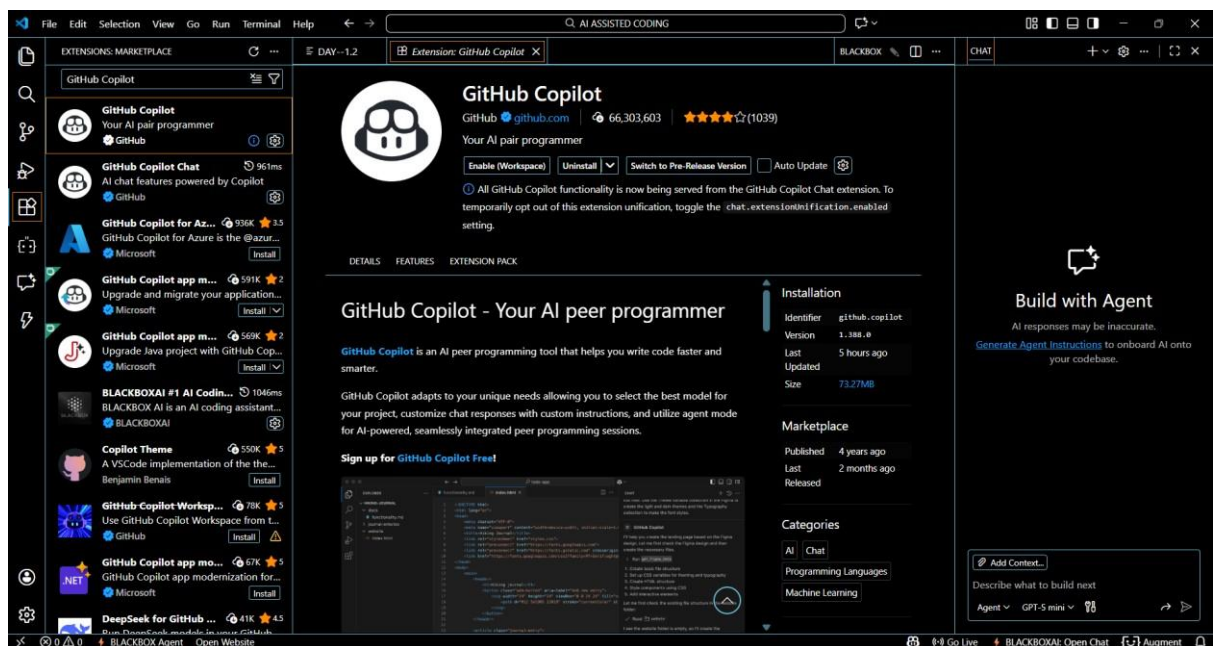
1. Installed Visual Studio Code
2. Opened Extensions Marketplace



3. Searched for GitHub Copilot



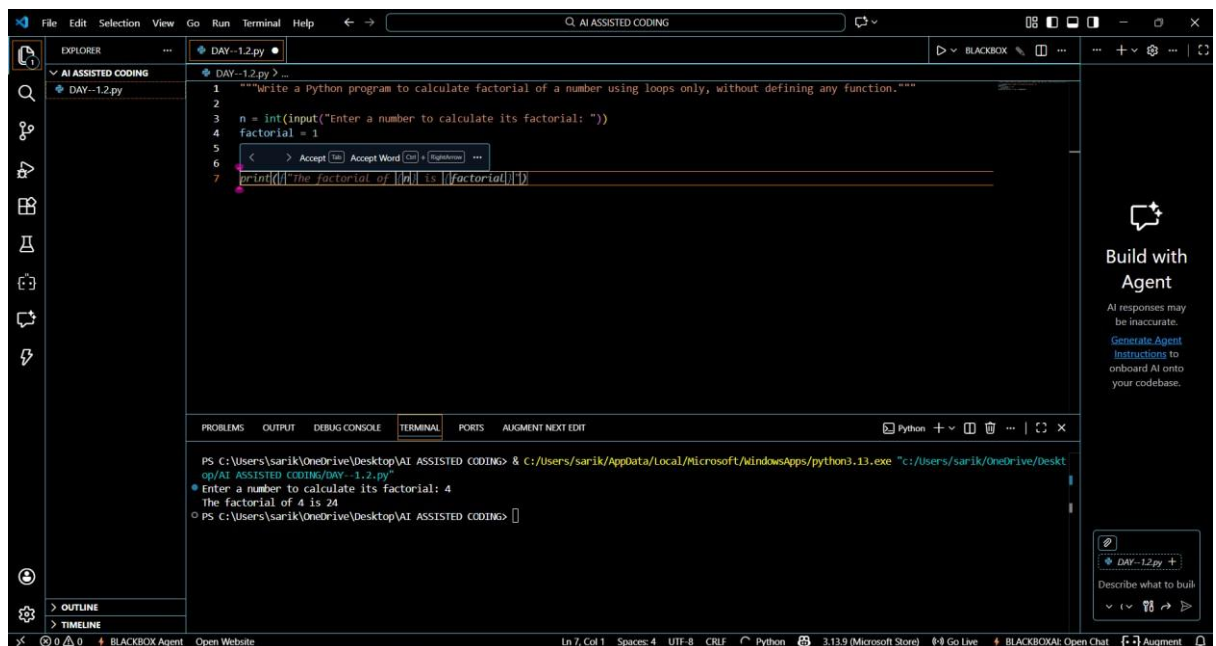
4. Clicked Install



5. Signed in with GitHub Account

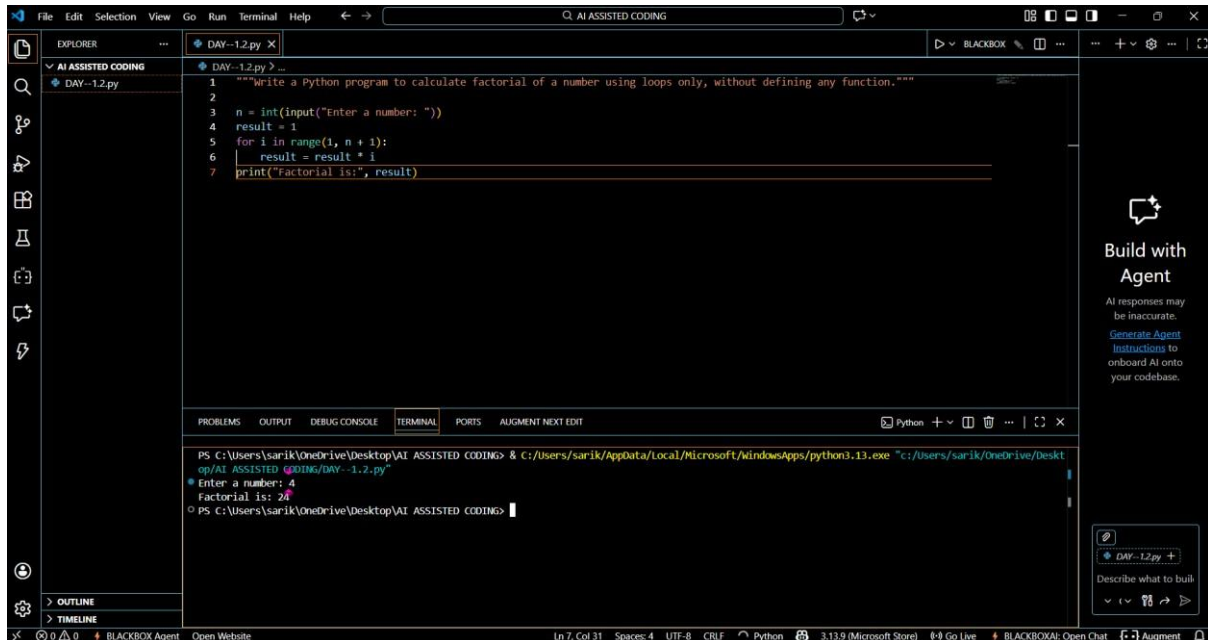
6. Enabled Copilot suggestions

7. Verified Copilot inline suggestions in Python file



Task 1: AI-Generated Logic Without Modularization (Factorial without Functions)

Prompt Used: “Write a Python program to calculate factorial of a number using loops only, without defining any function.”



The screenshot shows a code editor with a dark theme. The main editor window displays a Python program for calculating the factorial of a number using a loop. The code is as follows:

```
1 """Write a Python program to calculate factorial of a number using loops only, without defining any function."""
2
3 n = int(input("Enter a number: "))
4 result = 1
5 for i in range(1, n + 1):
6     result = result * i
7 print("Factorial is:", result)
```

The terminal window at the bottom shows the execution of the program. It prompts the user to enter a number, and the user enters 4. The program then outputs "Factorial is: 24".

On the right side of the editor, there is a sidebar with the text "Build with Agent" and a link to "Generate Agent". Below this, there is a section titled "Describe what to build" with a plus icon.

GitHub Copilot was very helpful for a beginner as it generated correct logic instantly.

It followed basic Python syntax and loop structure accurately.

The code was readable and easy to understand.

However, it did not include input validation automatically.

Best practices like modular design were not applied unless explicitly prompted.

Task 2: AI Code Optimization & Cleanup Original

Code:

The screenshot shows the Visual Studio Code editor with a file named `DAY-1.2.py`. The code is a Python program that calculates the factorial of a number using a loop. The code is as follows:

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4 result = 1
5 for i in range(1, n + 1):
6     result = result * i
7 print("Factorial is:", result)
```

The terminal output shows the program being executed with the input `4`, resulting in `Factorial is: 24`.

Prompt Used: “Optimize this code and make it more readable”

The screenshot shows the Visual Studio Code editor with the same file `DAY-1.2.py`. The code has been optimized and made more readable by defining a function `factorial` and calling it from the main block. The code is as follows:

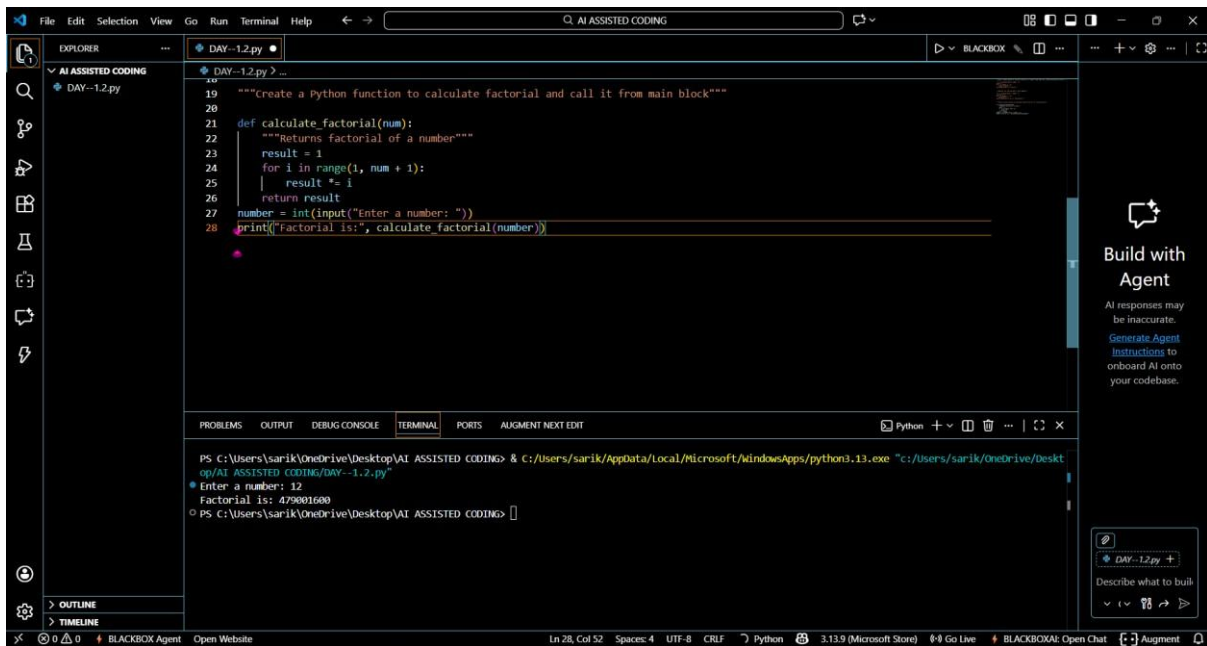
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3 n = int(input("Enter a number: "))
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5 for i in range(1, n + 1):
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7 print("Factorial is:", result)
8
9
10 """Optimize this code and make it more readable"""
11
12 n = int(input("Enter a number: "))
13 factorial = 1
14 for i in range(1, n + 1):
15     factorial *= i
16 print(f"Factorial of {n} is: {factorial}")
```

The terminal output shows the program being executed with the input `4`, resulting in `Factorial is: 24`, and then with the input `2`, resulting in `Factorial of 2 is: 2`.

The optimized version improves clarity, maintainability, and readability without affecting performance.

Task 3: Modular Design Using AI Assistance (Factorial with Functions)

Prompt Used: “Create a Python function to calculate factorial and call it from main block”



Modularity improves reusability by allowing the same function to be used across multiple programs. It also simplifies testing and debugging.

Task 4: Comparative Analysis

Procedural vs Modular AI Code

Criteria	Without Function	With Function
Logic Clarity	Moderate	High
Reusability	No	Yes
Debugging Ease	Difficult	Easy
Large Project Suitability	Poor	Excellent
AI Dependency Risk	Higher	Lower

Conclusion:

Function-based design is more scalable and suitable for real-world applications.

Task 5: Iterative vs Recursive AI Code

Prompt Used: “Generate iterative and recursive factorial programs in Python”

```
30 """Generate iterative and recursive factorial programs in Python"""
31
32
33 """Iterative Version"""
34 def factorial_iterative(n):
35     result = 1
36     for i in range(1, n + 1):
37         result *= i
38     return result
39
40 """Recursive Version"""
41 def factorial_recursive(n):
42     if n == 0 or n == 1:
43         return 1
44     return n * factorial_recursive(n - 1)
45 number = int(input("Enter a number: "))
46 print("Iterative factorial is:", factorial_iterative(number))
47 print("Recursive Factorial is:", factorial_recursive(number))
48
49
```

PS C:\Users\sarik\OneDrive\Desktop\AI ASSISTED CODING> & c:/Users/sarik/AppData/Local/Microsoft/WindowsApps/python3.13.exe "c:/Users/sarik/OneDrive/Desktop/ai/ai ASSISTED CODING/DAY-1.2.py"

Enter a number: 4
Iterative Factorial is: 24
Recursive Factorial is: 24
PS C:\Users\sarik\OneDrive\Desktop\AI ASSISTED CODING>

Execution Flow Explanation:

- Iterative version uses a loop and constant memory.
- Recursive version uses function calls and stack memory.

Comparison:

Aspect	Iterative	Recursive
Readability	Simple	Elegant
Stack Usage	No	Yes
Performance	Faster	Slower
Risk	Low	Stack Overflow
Recommendation	Preferred	Avoid for large inputs