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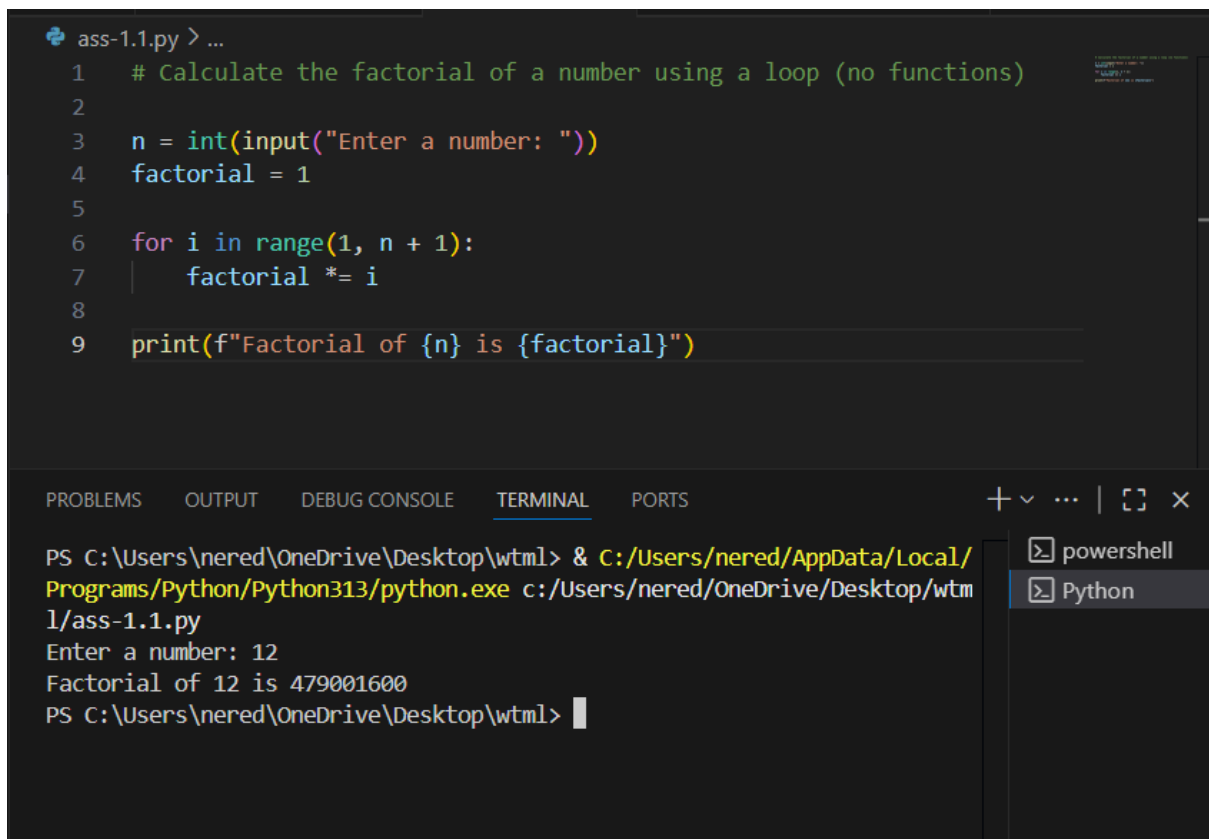
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Lab assignment-1.1

Prompt 1: Factorial without Functions

Use GitHub Copilot to generate a Python program that calculates the factorial of a number without defining any functions (using loops directly in the main code)

Code(screenshot):



The image shows a Visual Studio Code editor window. The top pane displays a Python script named `ass-1.1.py` with the following code:

```
1  # Calculate the factorial of a number using a loop (no functions)
2
3  n = int(input("Enter a number: "))
4  factorial = 1
5
6  for i in range(1, n + 1):
7      factorial *= i
8
9  print(f"Factorial of {n} is {factorial}")
```

The bottom pane shows the `TERMINAL` tab. It contains the command to run the script and its output:

```
PS C:\Users\nered\OneDrive\Desktop\wtm> & C:/Users/nered/AppData/Local/Programs/Python/Python313/python.exe c:/Users/nered/OneDrive/Desktop/wtm/ass-1.1.py
Enter a number: 12
Factorial of 12 is 479001600
PS C:\Users\nered\OneDrive\Desktop\wtm>
```

On the right side of the terminal, there is a dropdown menu with `powershell` and `Python` options.

Code explanation:

This code calculates the factorial of a user-provided number using a loop:

- It prompts the user to enter a number and stores it in `n`.
- It initializes `factorial` to 1.
- It uses a `for` loop from 1 to `n`, multiplying `factorial` by each number in the range.
- After the loop, it prints the result, which is the factorial of the input number.

Prompt 2: Improving Efficiency

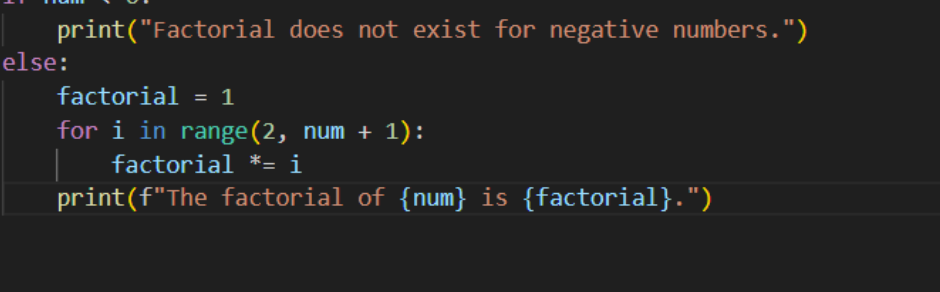
- Description:

Examine the Copilot-generated code from Task 1 and

demonstrate

how its efficiency can be improved (e.g., removing unnecessary variables, optimizing loops).

Code(screen shot):



The screenshot displays the Visual Studio Code interface. The editor window shows a file named 'Untitled-3.py' with the following Python code:

```
2  if num < 0:
3      print("Factorial does not exist for negative numbers.")
4  else:
5      factorial = 1
6      for i in range(2, num + 1):
7          factorial *= i
8      print(f"The factorial of {num} is {factorial}.")
```

Below the editor, the 'TERMINAL' tab is active, showing the command prompt output:

```
PS C:\Users\nered\OneDrive\Desktop\wtm1> & C:/Users/nered/AppData/Local/Programs/Python/Python313/python.exe c:/Users/nered/OneDrive/Desktop/wtm1/Untitled-3.py
Enter a number: 2
The factorial of 2 is 2.
PS C:\Users\nered\OneDrive\Desktop\wtm1>
```

Code explanation:

This code calculates the factorial of a number entered by the user:

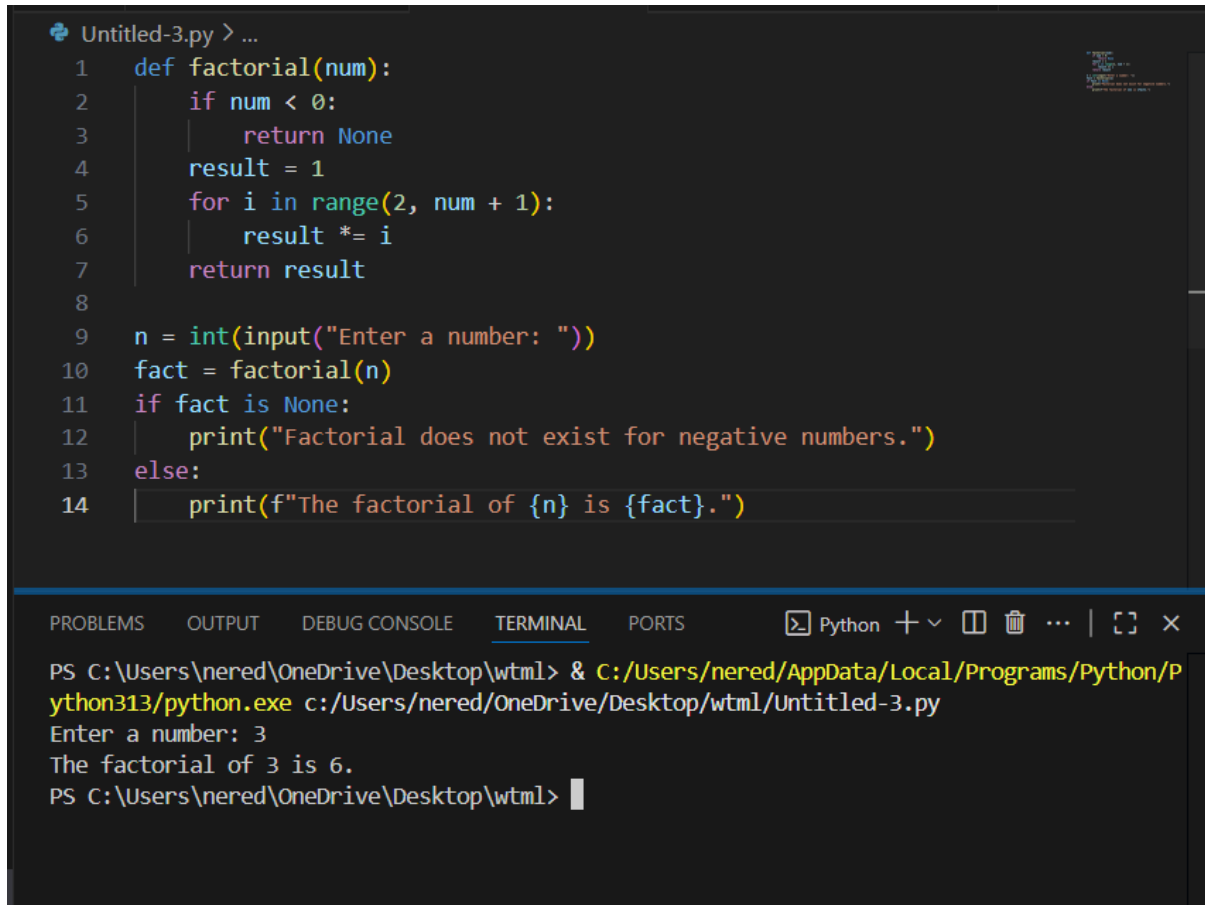
- `num = int(input("Enter a number: "))`
Prompts the user to enter a number and converts the input to an integer.
- `if num < 0:`
Checks if the number is negative.

- [print\("Factorial does not exist for negative numbers."\)](#)
If negative, prints a message since factorials are only defined for non-negative integers.
- else:
If the number is zero or positive:
 - [factorial = 1](#)
Initializes the factorial result to 1.
 - [for i in range\(2, num + 1\):](#)
Loops from 2 up to and including [num](#).
 - [factorial *= i](#)
Multiplies [factorial](#) by each value of [i](#) in the loop.
 - [print\(f"The factorial of {num} is {factorial}."\)](#)
Prints the final factorial value

prompt 3: Factorial with Functions

Use GitHub Copilot to generate a Python program that calculates the factorial of a number using a user-defined function.

Code(screen shot):



```
Untitled-3.py > ...
1  def factorial(num):
2      if num < 0:
3          return None
4      result = 1
5      for i in range(2, num + 1):
6          result *= i
7      return result
8
9  n = int(input("Enter a number: "))
10 fact = factorial(n)
11 if fact is None:
12     print("Factorial does not exist for negative numbers.")
13 else:
14     print(f"The factorial of {n} is {fact}.")
```

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```
PS C:\Users\nered\OneDrive\Desktop\wtml> & C:/Users/nered/AppData/Local/Programs/Python/Python313/python.exe c:/Users/nered/OneDrive/Desktop/wtml/Untitled-3.py
Enter a number: 3
The factorial of 3 is 6.
PS C:\Users\nered\OneDrive\Desktop\wtml>
```

Code explanation:

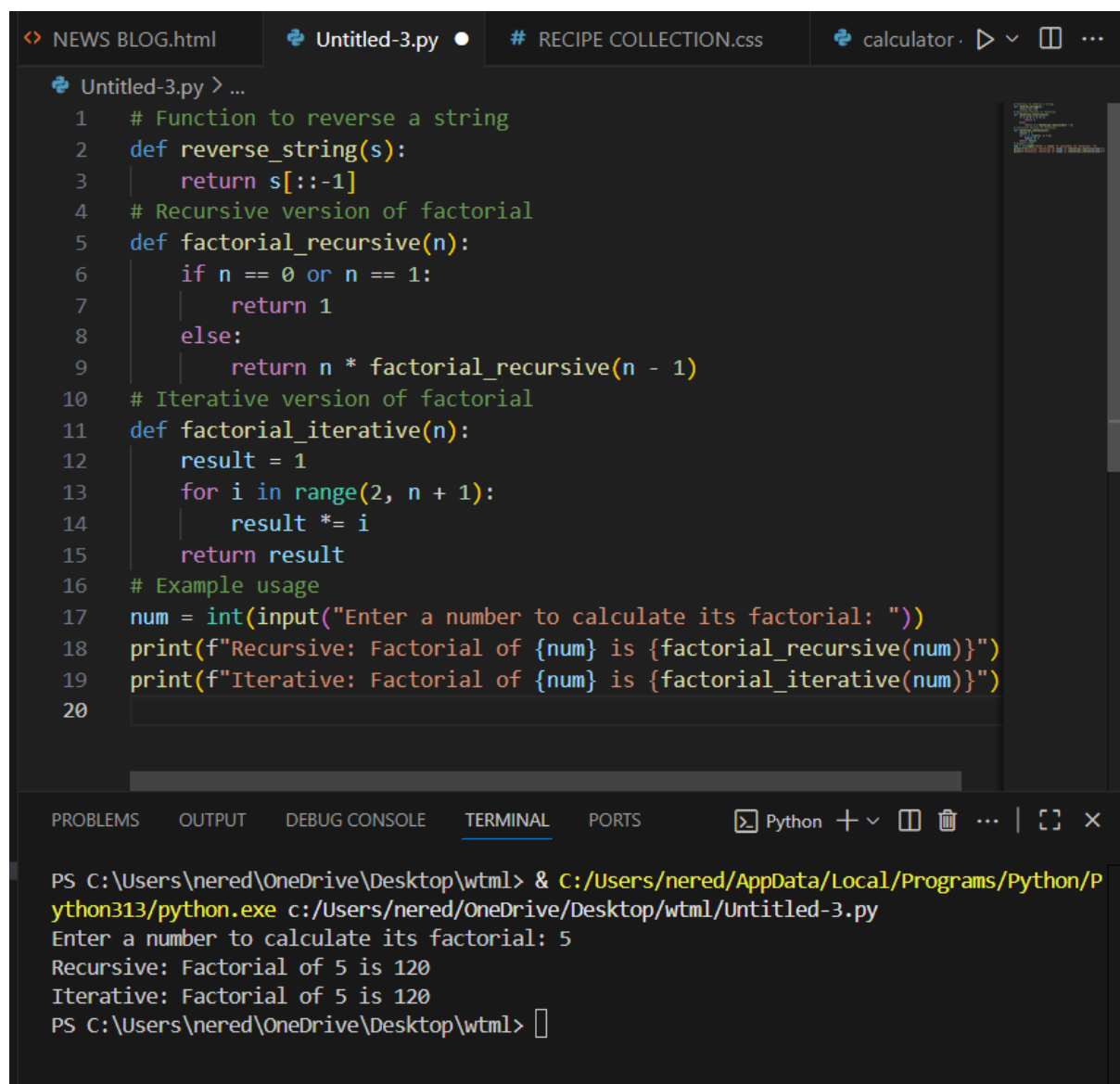
This program calculates the factorial of a number using a user-defined function:

- The [factorial\(num\)](#) function checks if the input is negative. If so, it returns None.
- If the input is zero or positive, it initializes [result](#) to 1 and multiplies it by each integer from 2 up to [num](#).
- The main code gets a number from the user, calls the [factorial](#) function, and stores the result.
- If the result is None, it prints a message for negative numbers. Otherwise, it prints the factorial value.

Prompt 4: Comparative Analysis – With vs Without Functions

Differentiate between the Copilot-generated factorial program with functions and without functions in terms of logic, reusability, and execution

Code(screen shot):



```
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Untitled-3.py > ...
1  # Function to reverse a string
2  def reverse_string(s):
3      return s[::-1]
4  # Recursive version of factorial
5  def factorial_recursive(n):
6      if n == 0 or n == 1:
7          return 1
8      else:
9          return n * factorial_recursive(n - 1)
10 # Iterative version of factorial
11 def factorial_iterative(n):
12     result = 1
13     for i in range(2, n + 1):
14         result *= i
15     return result
16 # Example usage
17 num = int(input("Enter a number to calculate its factorial: "))
18 print(f"Recursive: Factorial of {num} is {factorial_recursive(num)}")
19 print(f"Iterative: Factorial of {num} is {factorial_iterative(num)}")
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Enter a number to calculate its factorial: 5
Recursive: Factorial of 5 is 120
Iterative: Factorial of 5 is 120
PS C:\Users\nered\OneDrive\Desktop\wtml> 
```

Code explanation:

- **reverse_string(s):**

This function takes a string s and returns its reverse using slicing (s[::-1]).

- **factorial_recursive(n):**

This function calculates the factorial of n recursively.

- If n is 0 or 1, it returns 1 (base case).
- Otherwise, it returns n * factorial_recursive(n - 1).

- **factorial_iterative(n):**

This function calculates the factorial of n using a loop.

- It initializes result to 1.
- Then multiplies result by each number from 2 to n.

- **Example usage:**

- The user is prompted to enter a number.
- The program prints the factorial of that number using both the recursive and iterative functions.

Prompt 5: Iterative vs Recursive Factorial

- Description:

Prompt GitHub Copilot to generate both iterative and recursive versions of the factorial function.

- Expected Output:

- o Two correct implementations.
- o A documented comparison of logic, performance, and execution flow between iterative and recursive approaches.

Code (screen shot):

```
1 # Iterative version of factorial
2 def factorial_iterative(n):
3     """
4     Calculates factorial using a loop.
5     Returns 1 for n=0 or n=1.
6     """
7     result = 1
8     for i in range(2, n + 1):
9         result *= i
10    return result
11
12 # Recursive version of factorial
13 def factorial_recursive(n):
14    """
15    Calculates factorial using recursion.
16    Returns 1 for n=0 or n=1 (base case).
17    """
18    if n == 0 or n == 1:
19        return 1
20    else:
21        return n * factorial_recursive(n - 1)
22
23 # Example usage
24 num = int(input("Enter a number: "))
25 print(f"Iterative: Factorial of {num} is {factorial_iterative(num)}")
26 print(f"Recursive: Factorial of {num} is {factorial_recursive(num)}")
27
28 # Comparison:
29 # - Logic: Iterative uses a loop to multiply numbers; recursive calls itself, reducing n each time.
30 # - Performance: Iterative is generally faster and uses less memory, as recursion adds call stack overhead.
31 # - Execution flow: Iterative runs in a single loop; recursive breaks the problem into smaller subproblems until the base case is reached.
```

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PS C:\Users\nered\OneDrive\Desktop\wtml> C:\Users\nered\AppData\Local\Programs\Python\Python313\python.exe c:/Users/nered/OneDrive/Desktop/wtml/Untitled-3.py

Enter a number: 4

Iterative: Factorial of 4 is 24

Recursive: Factorial of 4 is 24

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Code explanation:

The code provides two ways to calculate the factorial of a number:

1. Iterative Version ([factorial_iterative](#))

- Uses a loop to multiply numbers from 2 up to [n](#).
- Returns 1 for [n = 0](#) or [n = 1](#).
- Efficient in terms of speed and memory.

2. Recursive Version ([factorial_recursive](#))

- Calls itself with [n - 1](#) until it reaches the base case ([n = 0](#) or [n = 1](#)).
- Returns 1 for the base case.
- Less efficient for large [n](#) due to call stack overhead.

Example usage:

- Prompts the user for a number.
- Prints the factorial using both methods.

Comparison:

- *Logic:* Iterative uses a loop; recursive breaks the problem into smaller subproblems.

- *Performance:* Iterative is faster and uses less memory.
- *Execution flow:* Iterative runs in a single loop; recursive uses multiple function calls until the base case.