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Date and Day of Assignment	Week2 - Wednesday	Time(s)	
Duration	2 Hours	Applicable to Batches	
AssignmentNumber: 4.3(Present assignment number)/24(Total number of assignments)			
Q.No.	Question	Expected Time to complete	
1	Lab 4: Advanced Prompt Engineering – Zero-shot, One-shot, and Few-shot Techniques Lab Objectives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To explore and apply different levels of prompt examples in AI-assisted code 	Week2 - Wednesday	

generation.

- To understand how zero-shot, one-shot, and few-shot prompting affect AI output quality.
- To evaluate the impact of context richness and example quantity on AI performance.
- To build awareness of prompt strategy effectiveness for different problem types.

Lab Outcomes (LOs):

After completing this lab, students will be able to:

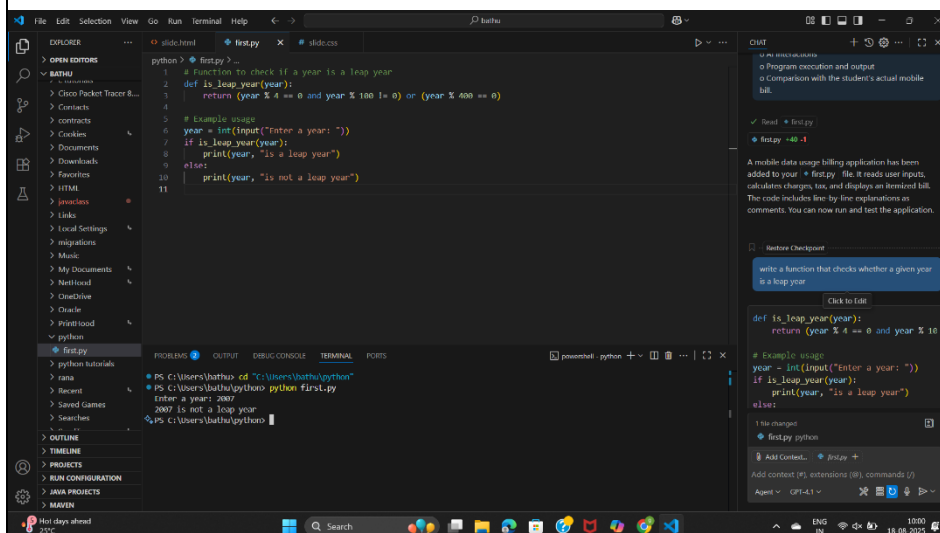
- Use zero-shot prompting to instruct AI with minimal context.
- Use one-shot prompting with a single example to guide AI code generation.
- Apply few-shot prompting using multiple examples to improve AI responses.
- Compare AI outputs across the three prompting strategies.

Task Description#1

- Zero-shot: Prompt AI to write a function that checks whether a given year is a leap year.

Expected Output#1

- AI-generated function with no examples provided



The screenshot shows a Visual Studio Code editor window with a file named 'first.py' open. The code in the file is as follows:

```
python> first.py ...
1 # A function to check if a year is a leap year
2 def is_leap_year(year):
3     return (year % 4 == 0 and year % 100 != 0) or (year % 400 == 0)
4
5 # Example usage
6 year = int(input("Enter a year: "))
7 if is_leap_year(year):
8     print(year, "is a leap year")
9 else:
10    print(year, "is not a leap year")
11
```

The terminal output shows the execution of the script with the input '2007' and the resulting output:

```
PS C:\Users\batth\python> python first.py
Enter a year: 2007
2007 is not a leap year
```

The right sidebar shows the 'CONSOLE' tab with the following text:

```
Program execution and output
Comparison with the student's actual mobile
bill.
first.py +40 -1
A mobile data usage billing application has been
added to your + first.py file. It reads user inputs,
calculates charges, tax, and displays an itemized bill.
The code includes line-by-line explanations as
comments. You can now run and test the application.
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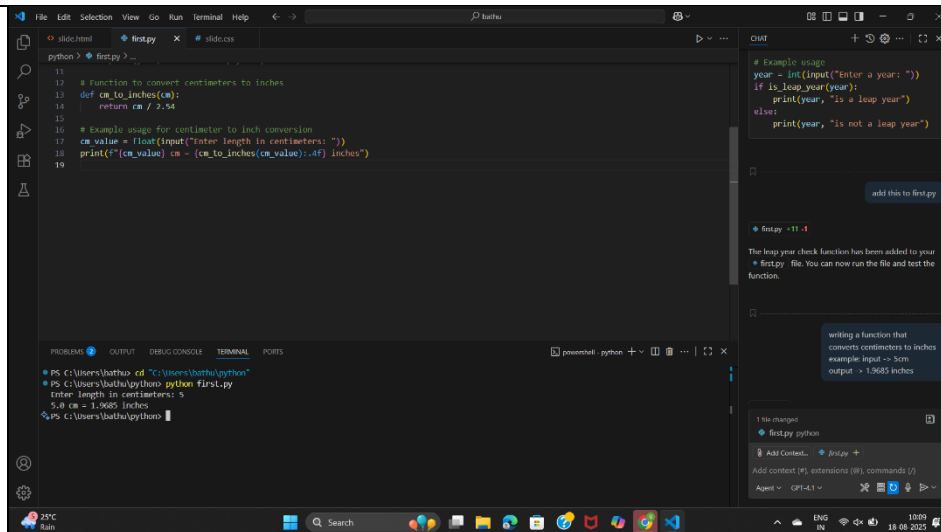
Below the console, there is a 'Before Checkpoint' section with a prompt: 'write a function that checks whether a given year is a leap year'. A 'Click to Edit' button is present. Below this, the code for 'is_leap_year' is shown, followed by an 'Example usage' section with the same code as in the file. At the bottom, there is a 'New changed' section with 'first.py python' and an 'Add context' button.

Task Description#2

- One-shot: Give one input-output example to guide AI in writing a function that converts centimeters to inches.

Expected Output#2

- Function with correct conversion logic

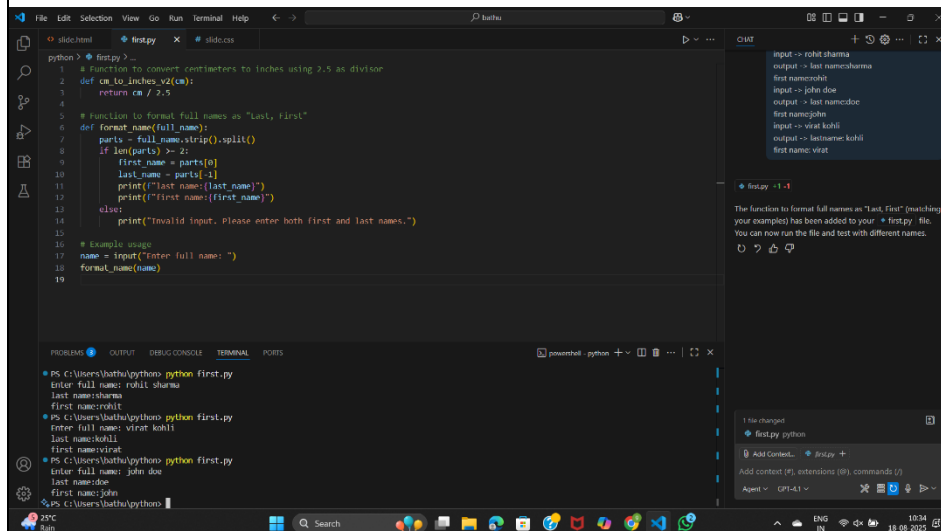


Task Description#3

- Few-shot: Provide 2–3 examples to generate a function that formats full names as “Last, First”.

Expected Output#3

- Well-structured function respecting the examples



Task Description#4

- Compare zero-shot and few-shot prompts for writing a function that counts the number of vowels in a string.

Expected Output#4

- Functional output and comparative reflection

Zero shot

```
python > first.py
1 # a function to count the number of vowels in a string
2 def count_vowels(s):
3     vowels = 'aeiouAEIOU'
4     return sum(1 for char in s if char in vowels)
5
6 # Example usage
7 text = input("Enter a string: ")
8 vowel_count = count_vowels(text)
9 print("Number of vowels: (vowel_count)")
10
```

```
last name:doe
first name:john
PS C:\Users\bathu\python> python first.py
Enter full name: gayathri
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "C:\Users\bathu\python\first.py", line 9, in <module>
    formal_name(name)
NameError: name 'formal_name' is not defined
PS C:\Users\bathu\python> python first.py
Enter a string: gayathri
Number of vowels: 3
PS C:\Users\bathu\python>
```

Few shot

```
python > first.py
1 # a function to count the number of vowels in a string
2 def count_vowels(s):
3     vowels = 'aeiouAEIOU'
4     return sum(1 for char in s if char in vowels)
5
6 # Example usage
7 text = input("Enter a string: ")
8 vowel_count = count_vowels(text)
9 print("num of vowels: (vowel_count)")
10
```

```
PS C:\Users\bathu\python> python first.py
Enter a string: gayathri
num of vowels: 3
PS C:\Users\bathu\python> python first.py
Enter a string: aetha
num of vowels: 2
PS C:\Users\bathu\python> python first.py
Enter a string: aethi
num of vowels: 2
PS C:\Users\bathu\python>
```

COMPARISON:

ZERO-SHOT:

- The AI was given no examples—just a task description.
- It produced a clean function named `count_vowels()` using a list comprehension with a simple vowel check.
- You tested the function with input "gayathri" and received correct output: Number of vowels: 3.

FEW-SHOT:

- The AI received examples of inputs and their expected outputs.
- It implemented the same logic, but this time aligned the print message format (num of vowels:) exactly as per the example.

Task Description#5

- Use few-shot prompting to generate a function that reads a .txt file and returns the number of lines.

Expected Output#5

- Working file-processing function with AI-guided logic

The screenshot shows a Google Colab notebook interface. The main code cell contains a Python function `def count_lines_in_file(filename):` that reads a text file and returns the number of lines. The function uses `open(filename, 'r')` and `sum(1 for line in file)`. Below the function, an example usage is provided: `file_path = "/content/sr.txt"`, `line_count = count_lines_in_file(file_path)`, and `print(f"The file '{file_path}' has {line_count} lines.")`. The output of the cell shows: "The file '/content/sr.txt' has 3 lines." To the right of the code cell, there is a chat window with a prompt: "generate a function that reads a .txt file and returns the number of lines. Ex 1: Function to read a file and return its contents def read_file_contents(filename): with open(filename, 'r') as file: return file.read() Ex 2: Function to count the number of words in a file def count_words_in_file(filename): with open(filename, 'r') as file: contents = file.read() return len(contents.split()) Ex 3: Function to count the number of lines in a file def count_lines_in_file(filename): with open(filename, 'r') as file: return sum(1 for line in file)" and a response: "What can I help you build?"

Note: Report should be submitted a word document for all tasks in a single document with prompts, comments & code explanation, and output and if required, screenshots

Evaluation Criteria:

Criteria	Max Marks
Zero Shot (Task #1)	0.5
One Shot (Task#2)	0.5
Few Shot (Task#3 & Task #5)	1.0
Comparison (Task#4)	0.5
Total	2.5 Marks