

AI ASSISTANT CODING

ASSIGNMENT-7.5

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Task 1 (Mutable Default Argument – Function Bug)

Task: Analyze given code where a mutable default argument causes unexpected behavior. Use AI to fix it.

Bug: Mutable default argument

```
def add_item(item, items=[]):
```

```
    items.append(item)
```

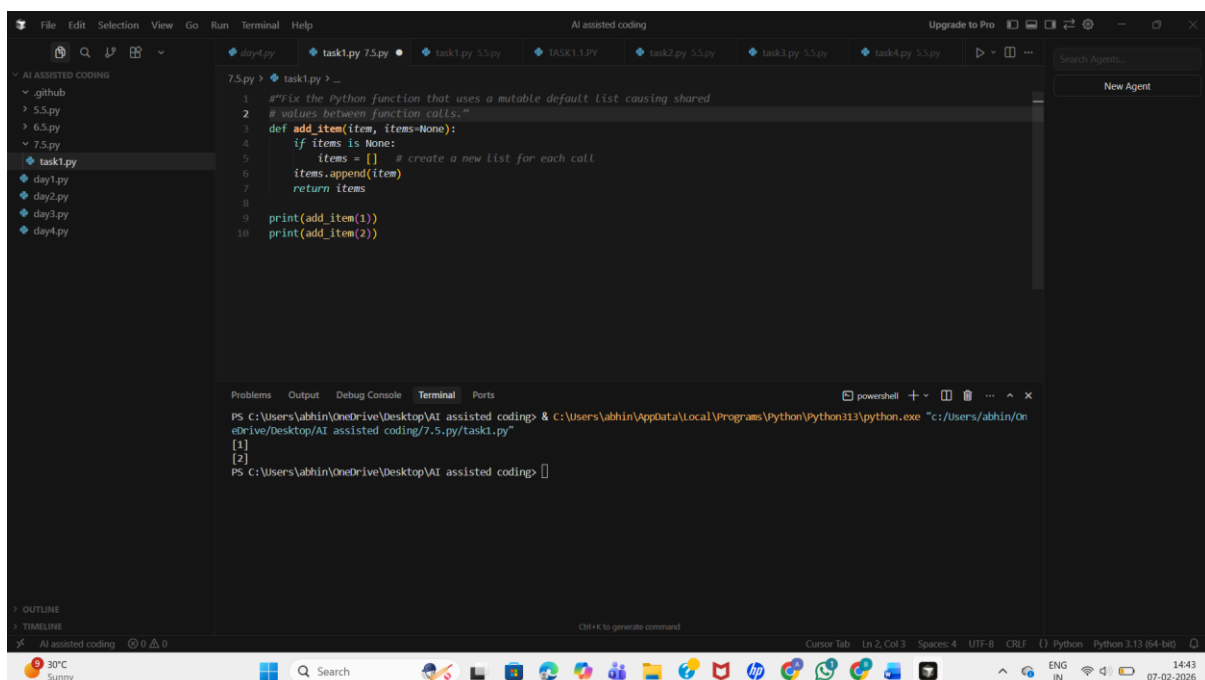
```
    return items
```

```
print(add_item(1))
```

```
print(add_item(2))
```

Expected Output: Corrected function avoids shared list bug.

Code:



The screenshot shows a code editor with a file explorer on the left containing files like .github, 5.5.py, 6.5.py, 7.5.py, task1.py, day1.py, day2.py, day3.py, and day4.py. The main editor displays the corrected Python code for task1.py:

```
1  """Fix the Python function that uses a mutable default list causing shared
2  # values between function calls."""
3  def add_item(item, items=None):
4      if items is None:
5          items = [] # create a new list for each call
6          items.append(item)
7      return items
8
9  print(add_item(1))
10 print(add_item(2))
```

Below the code editor is a terminal window showing the execution of the script:

```
PS C:\Users\abhin\OneDrive\Desktop\AI assisted coding> & C:\Users\abhin\AppData\Local\Programs\Python\Python313\python.exe "C:\Users\abhin\OneDrive\Desktop\AI assisted coding\7.5.py\task1.py"
[1]
[2]
PS C:\Users\abhin\OneDrive\Desktop\AI assisted coding>
```

The bottom of the screenshot shows the Windows taskbar with the system clock at 14:43 on 07-02-2026.

Explanation:

- A list is used as a default argument. In Python, default arguments are evaluated only once when the function is defined, not each time the function is called.
- Because lists are mutable, the same list is shared across all function calls, causing values from previous calls to persist.
- To fix this issue, None is used as the default value instead of a list. Inside the function, a new list is created when the argument is None.
- This ensures that each function call uses a fresh list and prevents the shared list bug.

Task 2 (Floating-Point Precision Error)

Task: Analyze given code where floating-point comparison fails.

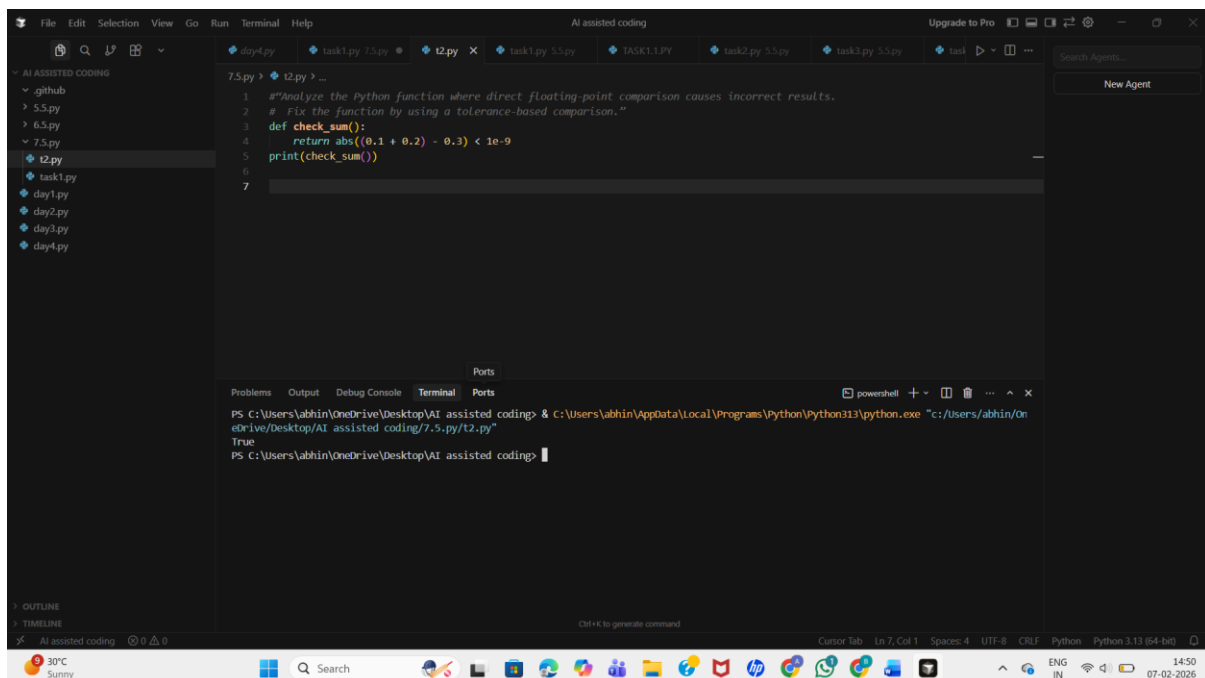
Use AI to correct with tolerance.

Bug: Floating point precision issue

```
def check_sum():
    return (0.1 + 0.2) == 0.3
print(check_sum())
```

Expected Output: Corrected function

Code:



Explanation:

- Floating-point numbers cannot always be represented exactly in binary format. As a result, the expression `0.1 + 0.2` does not produce an exact value of `0.3`, causing direct comparison using `==` to fail.

- To correct this, a tolerance-based comparison is used. The absolute difference between the two values is checked to see if it is smaller than a very small number ($1e-9$).
- This approach accounts for minor precision errors and produces the correct result.

Task 3 (Recursion Error – Missing Base Case)

Task: Analyze given code where recursion runs infinitely due to missing base case. Use AI to fix.

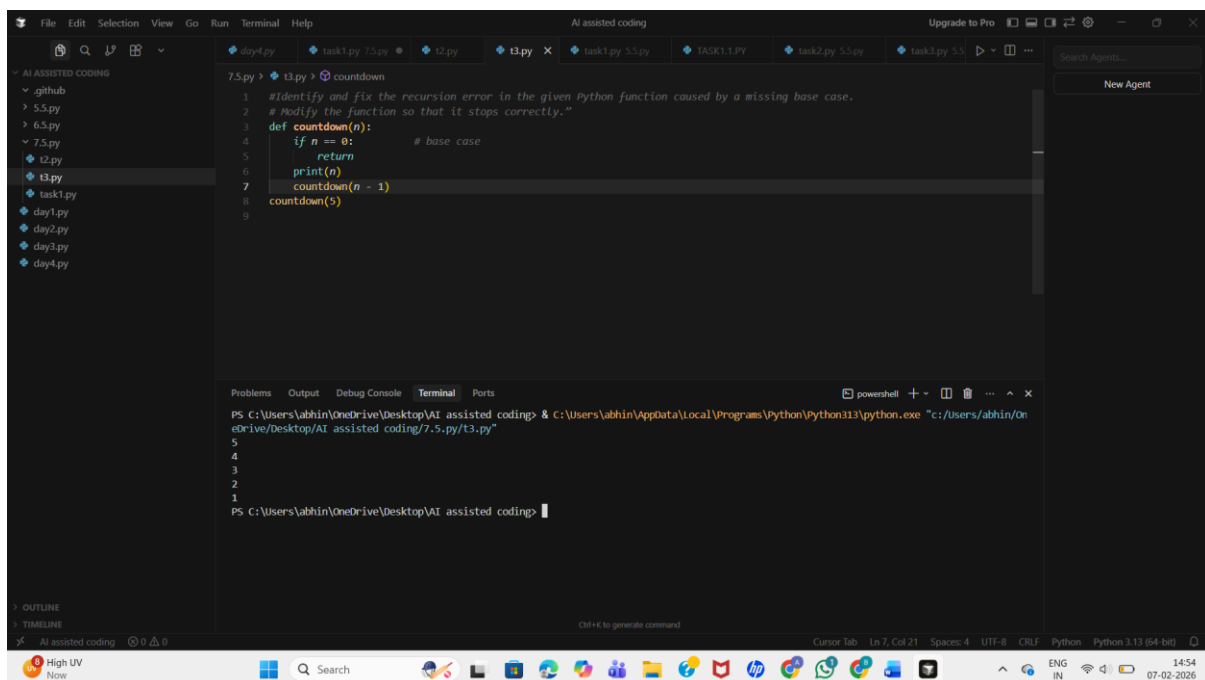
Bug: No base case

```
def countdown(n):
    print(n)
    return countdown(n-1)

countdown(5)
```

Expected Output : Correct recursion with stopping condition.

Code:



```
7.5.py > t3.py > countdown
1 #Identify and fix the recursion error in the given Python function caused by a missing base case.
2 # Modify the function so that it stops correctly.
3
4 def countdown(n):
5     if n == 0: # base case
6         return
7     print(n)
8     countdown(n - 1)
9
10 countdown(5)
```

```
PS C:\Users\abhin\OneDrive\Desktop\AI assisted coding> & C:\Users\abhin\AppData\Local\Programs\Python\Python313\python.exe "c:/Users/abhin/OneDrive/Desktop/AI assisted coding/7.5.py/t3.py"
5
4
3
2
1
PS C:\Users\abhin\OneDrive\Desktop\AI assisted coding>
```

Explanation:

- The original function does not contain a base case, so the recursive call continues indefinitely, eventually causing a recursion error.
- In recursion, a base case is required to stop further function calls.

- In the corrected version, a base case is added to stop the recursion when n becomes 0.
- Once this condition is met, the function returns without making another recursive call. This ensures that the recursion terminates properly.

Task 4 (Dictionary Key Error)

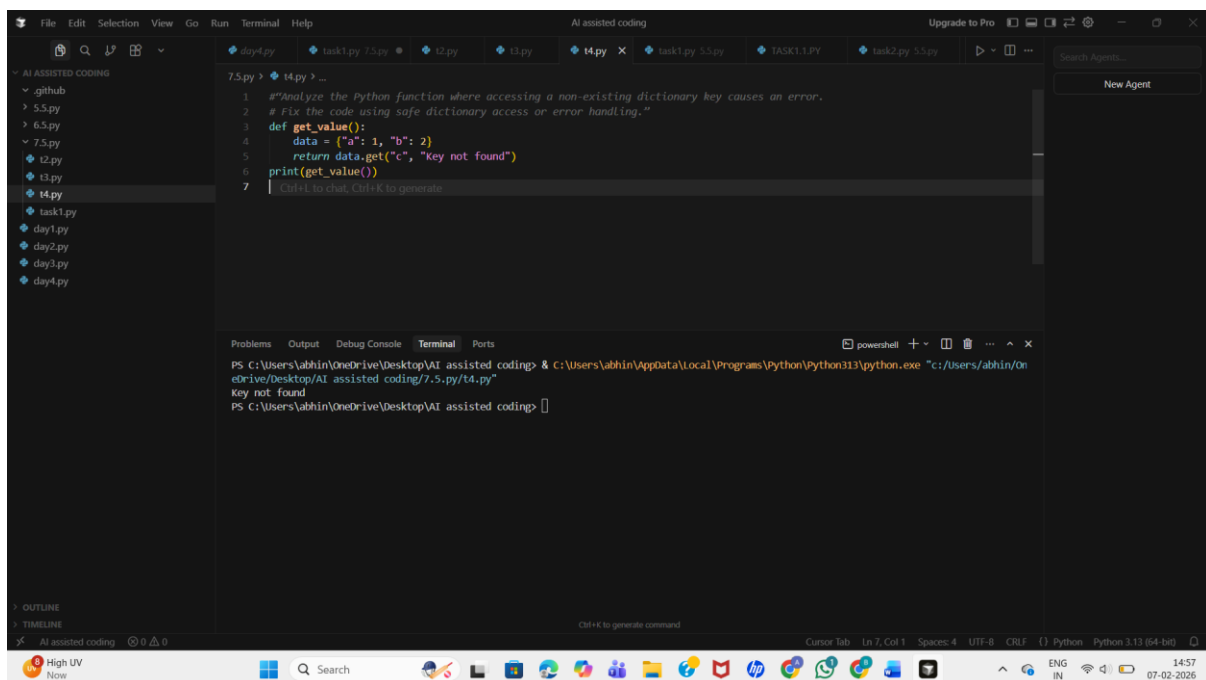
Task: Analyze given code where a missing dictionary key causes error. Use AI to fix it.

Bug: Accessing non-existing key

```
def get_value():
    data = {"a": 1, "b": 2}
    return data["c"]
print(get_value())
```

Expected Output: Corrected with `.get()` or error handling.

Code:



Explanation:

- In the original code, the dictionary key "c" does not exist. Accessing a missing key using square brackets (`data["c"]`) raises a `KeyError`.
- To fix this, the `.get()` method is used. The `.get()` method safely returns a default value when the key is not found instead of raising an error.

- This prevents the program from crashing and handles missing keys gracefully.

Task 5 (Infinite Loop – Wrong Condition)

Task: Analyze given code where loop never ends. Use AI to detect and fix it.

Bug: Infinite loop

```
def loop_example():
```

```
    i = 0
```

```
    while i < 5:
```

```
        print(i)
```

Expected Output: Corrected loop increments i.

Code:

```
7.5.py > t5.py > ...
1 #Analyze the Python code where a loop runs infinitely due to a missing update condition.
2 # Fix the loop so that it terminates correctly.
3 def loop_example():
4     i = 0
5     while i < 5:
6         print(i)
7         i += 1 # increment to avoid infinite loop
8
9 loop_example()
10
```

```
PS C:\Users\abhin\OneDrive\Desktop\AI assisted coding> & C:\Users\abhin\AppData\Local\Programs\Python\Python313\python.exe "c:/Users/abhin/OneDrive/Desktop/AI assisted coding/7.5.py/t5.py"
0
1
2
3
4
PS C:\Users\abhin\OneDrive\Desktop\AI assisted coding>
```

Explanation:

- In the variable i is never updated inside the while loop. Because the condition $i < 5$ always remains true, the loop runs infinitely.
- The value of i is incremented during each iteration. This eventually makes the condition false, allowing the loop to stop correctly.

Task 6 (Unpacking Error – Wrong Variables)

Task: Analyze given code where tuple unpacking fails. Use AI to

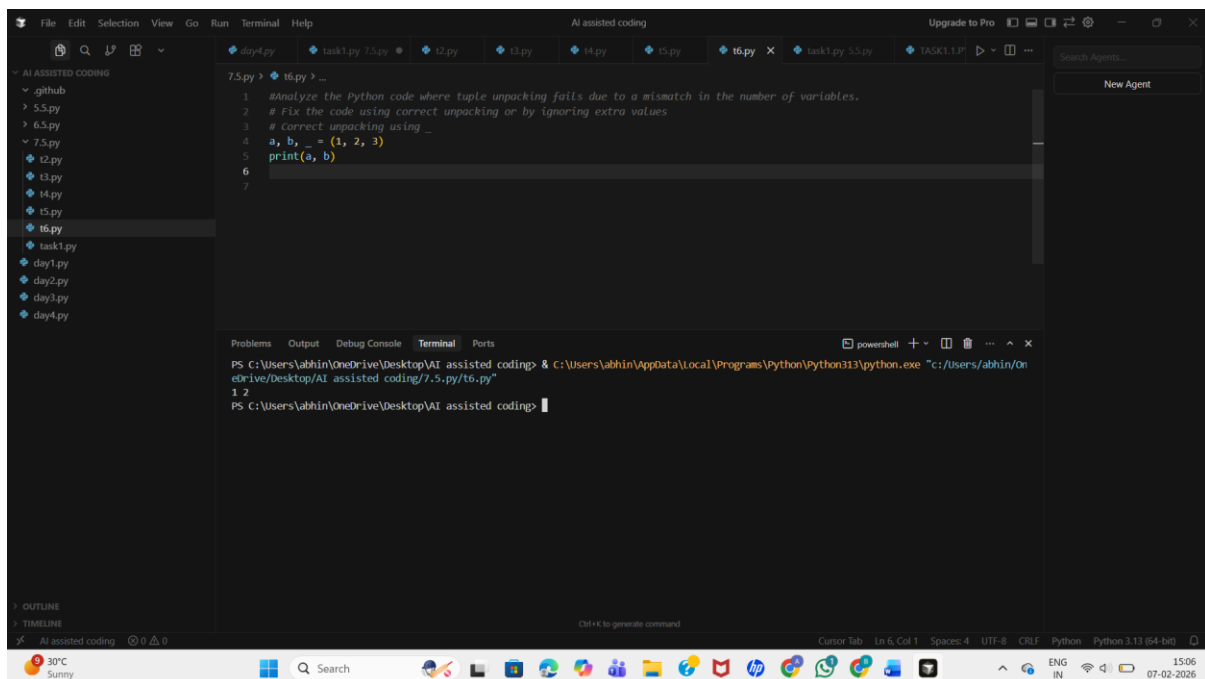
fix it.

Bug: Wrong unpacking

a, b = (1, 2, 3)

Expected Output: Correct unpacking or using _ for extra values.

Code:



Explanation:

- The tuple contains three values but only two variables are provided for unpacking. This causes a ValueError because Python expects the number of variables on the left side to match the number of values on the right side.
- The issue can be fixed either by using the correct number of variables or by using an underscore (_) to ignore unwanted values. This allows the unpacking operation to succeed without errors.

Task 7 (Mixed Indentation – Tabs vs Spaces)

Task: Analyze given code where mixed indentation breaks

execution. Use AI to fix it.

Bug: Mixed indentation

def func():

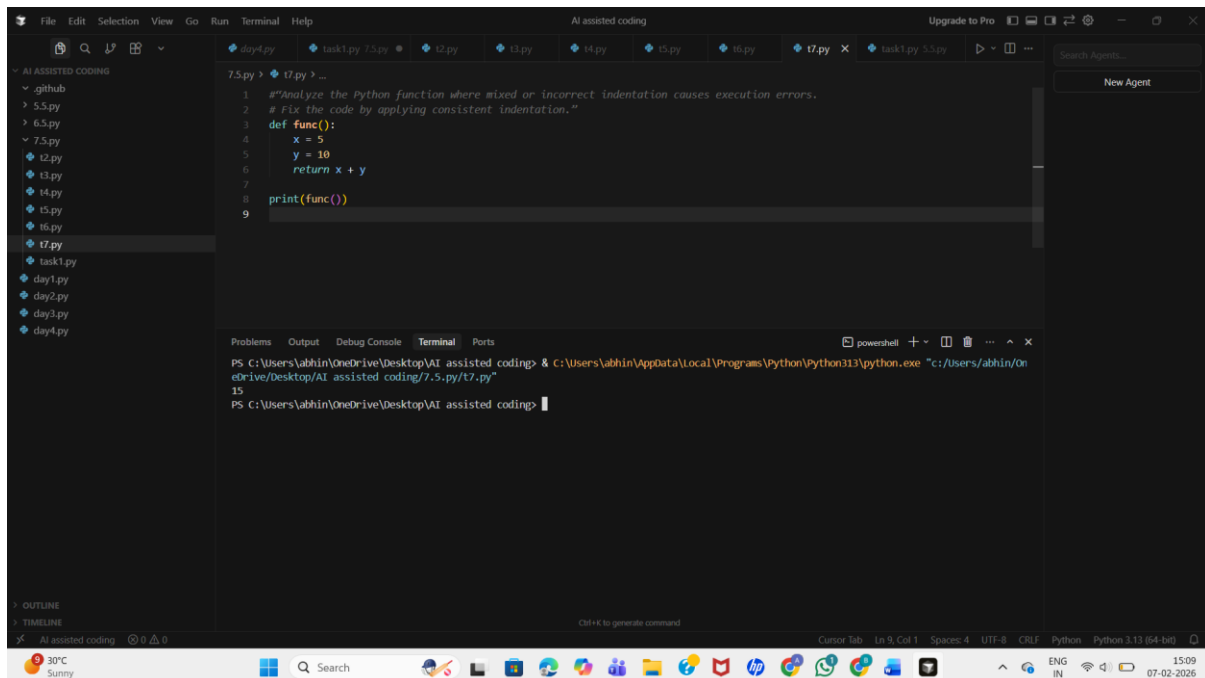
x = 5

y = 10

return x+y

Expected Output : Consistent indentation applied.

Code:



Explanation:

- Python uses indentation to define code blocks. In the given code, inconsistent indentation (mixing tabs and spaces or missing indentation) breaks the function structure and causes an IndentationError.
- The corrected version uses consistent indentation (4 spaces) for all statements inside the function.
- This allows Python to correctly interpret the function body and execute it without errors.

Task 8 (Import Error – Wrong Module Usage)

Task: Analyze given code with incorrect import. Use AI to fix.

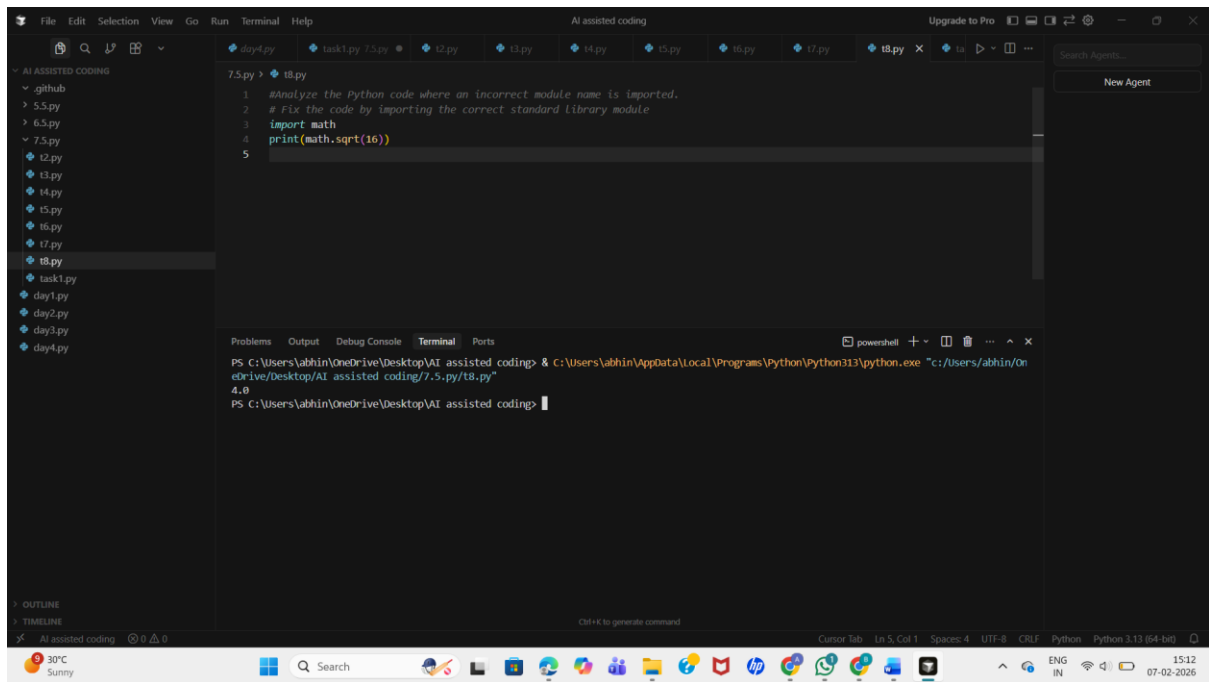
Bug: Wrong import

```
import maths
```

```
print(maths.sqrt(16))
```

Expected Output: Corrected to import math

Code:



Explanation:

- The corrected code imports the correct module, `math`, which provides mathematical functions such as `sqrt()`.
- Using the proper module name fixes the error and allows the program to run successfully.