

# **AI Assisted Coding (III Year) Assignment**

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## **Lab 10 – Code Review and Quality: Using AI to Improve Code Quality and Readability**

### **Lab Objectives**

- Use AI for automated code review and quality enhancement
- Identify and fix syntax, logical, performance, and security issues in Python code
- Improve readability and maintainability through structured refactoring and comments
- Apply prompt engineering for targeted improvements
- Evaluate AI-generated suggestions against **PEP 8 standards** and software engineering best practices

### **Lab Outcomes**

1. Ability to use AI tools to review code
2. Ability to improve code quality and readability
3. Ability to identify and fix common coding issues

### **Task Description #1 – Variable Naming Issues**

#### **Given Code**

```
def f(a, b):
    return a + b

print(f(10, 20))
```

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### Issues Identified

- Function name `f` is unclear
- Variable names `a` and `b` lack meaning
- Poor readability

### Improved Code:

```
[2]
✓ 0s   ⏪ def add_numbers(first_number, second_number):
        """Return the sum of two numbers."""
        return first_number + second_number

        print(add_numbers(10, 20))

        ...
        ... 30
```

### Improvements

- Meaningful function and variable names
- Added docstring for clarity
- Improved readability and maintainability

## Task Description #2 – Missing Error Handling

### Given Code

```

❶ def divide(a, b):
    if b == 0:
        raise ValueError("Cannot divide by zero!")
    return a / b

print(divide(10, 0))

...
ValueError                                Traceback (most recent call last)
/tmp/ipython-input-4071441399.py in <cell line: 0>()
      4     return a / b
      5
----> 6 print(divide(10, 0))

/tmp/ipython-input-4071441399.py in divide(a, b)
      1 def divide(a, b):
      2     if b == 0:
----> 3         raise ValueError("Cannot divide by zero!")
      4     return a / b
      5

ValueError: Cannot divide by zero!

```

Next steps: ( [Explain error](#) )

## Issues Identified

- No error handling for division by zero
- Program crashes at runtime

## Improved Code:

```

❶ def divide_numbers(numerator, denominator):
    """Divide two numbers safely with error handling."""
    try:
        return numerator / denominator
    except ZeroDivisionError:
        return "Error: Division by zero is not allowed."
    except TypeError:
        return "Error: Please provide numeric values."

print(divide_numbers(10, 0))

...
Error: Division by zero is not allowed.

```

## Improvements

- Added exception handling
- Clear error messages
- Prevents runtime crashes

## Task Description #3 – Student Marks Processing System

### Given Code

```
▶ marks=[78,85,90,66,88]
  t=0
  for i in marks:
    t=t+i
  a=t/len(marks)
  if a>=90:
    print("A")
  elif a>=75:
    print("B")
  elif a>=60:
    print("C")
  else:
    print("F")
```

... B

### Issues Identified

- Poor variable names
- No functions
- No validation
- Not PEP 8 compliant

### Refactored Code:

```
▶ def calculate_grade(marks):
    """
    Calculate total marks, average, and grade.
    Args:
        marks (list): List of student marks
    """
    if not marks:
        print("Error: Marks list cannot be empty.")
        return

    total_marks = sum(marks)
    average_marks = total_marks / len(marks)

    if average_marks >= 90:
        grade = "A"
    elif average_marks >= 75:
        grade = "B"
    elif average_marks >= 60:
        grade = "C"
    else:
        grade = "F"

    print(f"Total Marks: {total_marks}")
    print(f"Average Marks: {average_marks:.2f}")
    print(f"Grade: {grade}")

student_marks = [78, 85, 90, 66, 88]
calculate_grade(student_marks)

... Total Marks: 407
... Average Marks: 81.40
... Grade: B
```

## Improvements

- Follows PEP 8 standards
- Meaningful variable names
- Modular function-based design
- Added documentation and validation

## Task Description #4 – Add Docstrings and Inline Comments

### Improved Code

```
▶ def factorial(n):
    """
    Calculate the factorial of a given number.

    Args:
        n (int): A non-negative integer

    Returns:
        int: Factorial of the number
    """
    result = 1

    # Loop from 1 to n and multiply each value
    for i in range(1, n + 1):
        result *= i

    return result
```

## Improvements

- Clear docstring explaining purpose, parameters, and return value
- Inline comments for better understanding

## Task Description #5 – Password Validation System (Enhanced)

### Original Code:

```
▶ pwd = input("Enter password: ")
if len(pwd) >= 8:
    print("Strong")
else:
    print("Weak")

...
*** Enter password: kjvlknkhv
Strong
```

### Limitations

- Checks only password length
- No real security
- Not reusable

- Poor readability

### Enhanced Code:

```
▶ import re

def validate_password(password):
    """
    Validate password based on security rules.
    """

    if len(password) < 8:
        return "Weak: Password must be at least 8 characters long."

    if not re.search(r"[A-Z]", password):
        return "Weak: Must include an uppercase letter."

    if not re.search(r"[a-z]", password):
        return "Weak: Must include a lowercase letter."

    if not re.search(r"[0-9]", password):
        return "Weak: Must include a digit."

    if not re.search(r"[@#$%^&()_+=-]", password):
        return "Weak: Must include a special character."

    return "Strong Password"

user_password = input("Enter password: ")
print(validate_password(user_password))
|
```

\*\*\* Enter password: jhvjnkpnhgcx  
Weak: Must include an uppercase letter.

## Comparison and Analysis

### 1. Code Readability and Structure

- Clear function-based design
- Meaningful variable names
- Clean and readable logic

### 2. Maintainability and Reusability

- Password validation logic is reusable
- Easy to modify or extend security rules

### 3. Security Strength and Robustness

- Enforces industry-standard password rules
- Reduces risk of weak passwords

## **Justification of AI-Generated Improvements**

- Length check ensures baseline security
- Uppercase and lowercase checks prevent predictable passwords
- Digit requirement increases complexity
- Special characters reduce brute-force success
- Refactoring improves clarity, testability, and maintainability

## **Conclusion**

This lab demonstrated how AI-assisted code review can significantly improve:

- Code readability
- Error handling
- Security
- Maintainability
- Compliance with PEP 8 standards

The refactored programs are safer, cleaner, and suitable for real-world applications.