

# Advanced Database Labs

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**ADB Labs**

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# 1. Advanced Database Labs

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Welcome to the Advanced Database Lab course. This site provides hands-on labs to help you learn and simulate key concepts in **concurrency control** and **database recovery techniques**.

## 1.1 What You Will Learn

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- How to install and use **MySQL**, **Python**, and **Visual Studio Code**
- An understanding of **transaction management** and **SQL implementation**
- Understanding concurrency control mechanisms (**2PL**, **Timestamp ordering**)
- Understanding Database recovery techniques (**ARIES**)
- An introduction to **database security** practices:
  - **Role-Based Access Control (RBAC)**
  - **Data encryption**

## 1.2 Tutorial Support video

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Many labs include **video walkthroughs** that demonstrate how to solve key theoretical examples step by step.

- Transaction schedules and conflicts
- Concurrency Control mechanisms
- Database recovery Techniques

Be sure to watch them alongside the written material for deeper understanding.

## 1.3 Labs Overview

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Each lab builds on the previous one. Please complete them in sequence:

1. **Lab 0:** Environment Setup
2. **Lab 1:** Basics of Transaction Management and Its Properties
3. **Lab 2:** Concurrency Control Mechanisms
4. **Lab 3:** Database Recovery Techniques (ARIES)
5. **Lab 4:** Database Security Measures



Note

You can download a single PDF that contains all labs. It will be updated each time a new lab is uploaded.

[Download"](#)

## 1.4 What You Should Do

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Each lab includes an assignment that you are expected to complete as part of the learning process. **Please submit the assignments on time.**

## 2. General Instructions

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### 2.1 Please follow these instructions carefully:

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#### 2.1.1 File Submission

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- Submit your assignment as a single PDF file.
- The PDF must include all required screenshots (code and output).

#### 2.1.2 Screenshot Annotations

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**On every screenshot containing SQL script, add a comment at the top with the following information:**

1. Student Name
2. Department
3. Student Index Number

```
-- Name: student name
-- Department: Computer Science, ...
-- Index: 01x-xxx
```

#### 2.1.3 Lab Title

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Write the lab title as "Lab 0, Lab 1, ..." clearly at the top of your PDF.

#### 2.1.4 Deadline

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1. Submissions must be uploaded before the deadline.
2. Late submissions may be penalised according to the situations.

## 3. Setup environment

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### Objective:

- To set up **MySQL Database Management System**
- To connect to **MySQL** server
- To set up **Python Programming Language**

### Software:

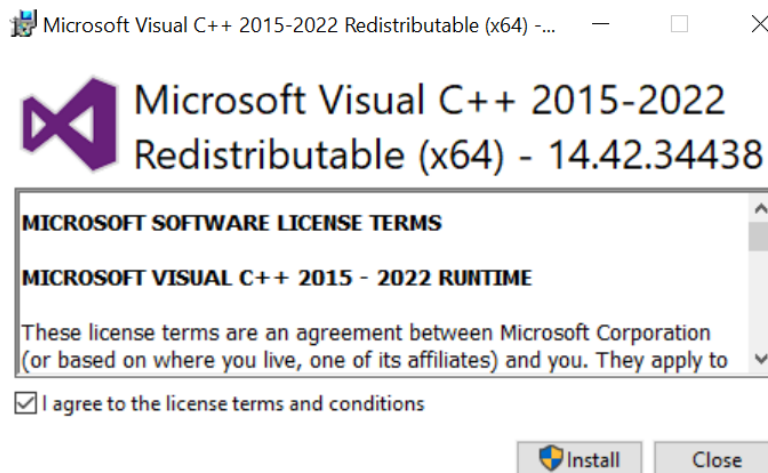
- MySQL installer (offline version)
- Visual Studio code (VS code)

## 3.1 Prerequisites: Install Microsoft Visual C++ 2019 Redistributable

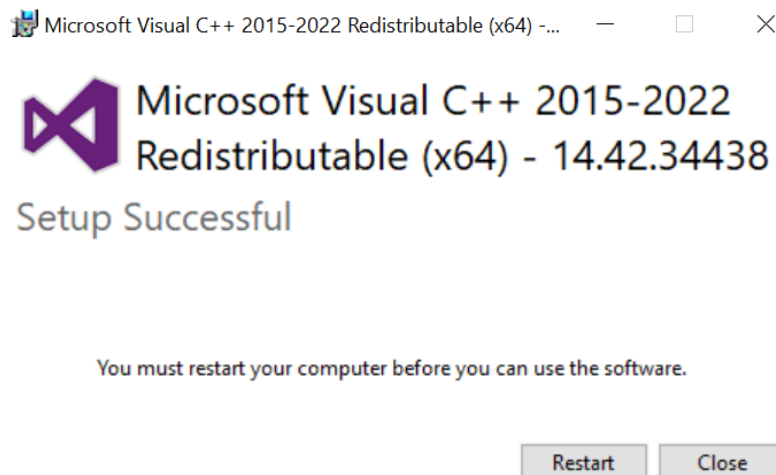
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If you already have Microsoft Visual C++ 2019 Redistributable installed, you can skip this step and continue with the lab.

1. Go to the official Microsoft page. [Download VC++ Redistributables](#)
2. Download the file based on your system:
  - for 64-bit [VC\\_redist.x64.exe](#)
  - for 32-bit [VC\\_redist.x86.exe](#)
3. Open the downloaded file and check on **I agree to the license terms and conditions**.



4. After installation, **restart your PC**.



## 3.2 MySQL

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MySQL is an open-source relational database management system (RDBMS) that uses SQL to create, manage, and query data.

### 3.2.1 Why we will use MySQL?

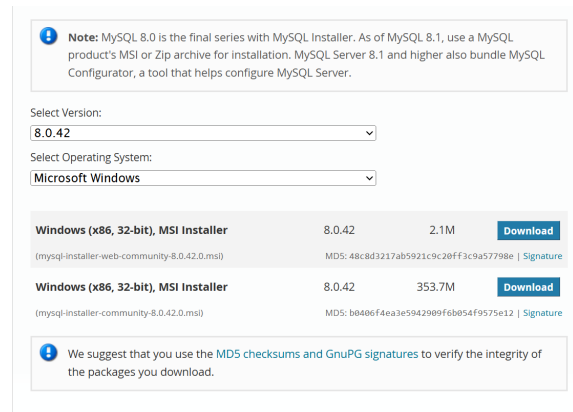
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1. Support **ACID transaction properites**, essential for understanding transaction management
2. Uses the **InnoDB** transactional storage engine, which supports **concurrency control** and **recovery mechanisms**

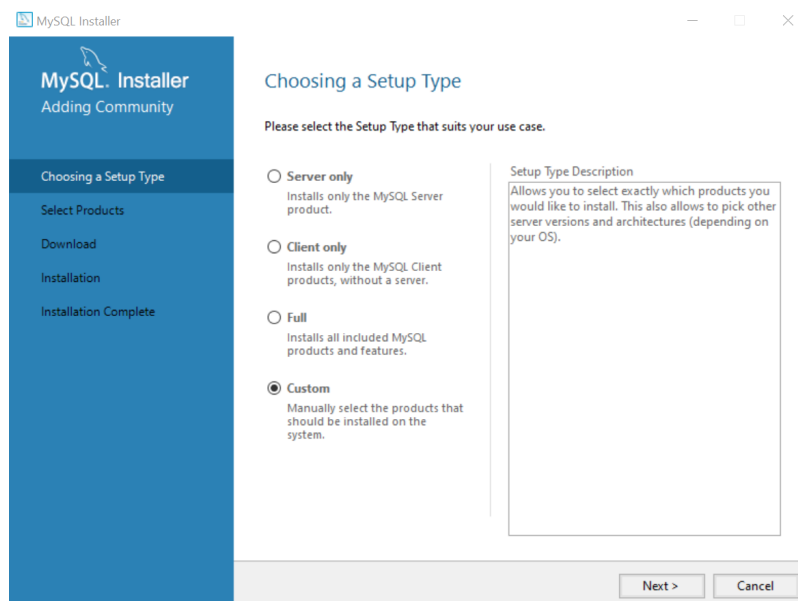
## 3. Flexible and easy-to-use

## 3.2.2 Installing MySQL (Offline)

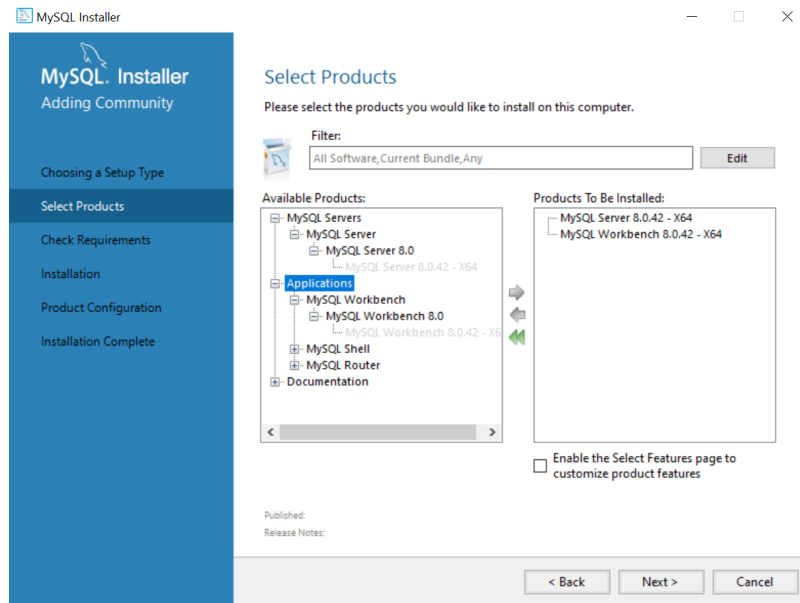
1. Go to the official [MySQL Downloads Page](#)
2. Download the **Windows (x86, 32-bit), MSI Installer** (Offline version ~353.7M)



3. After open the Installer Choose **Custom**

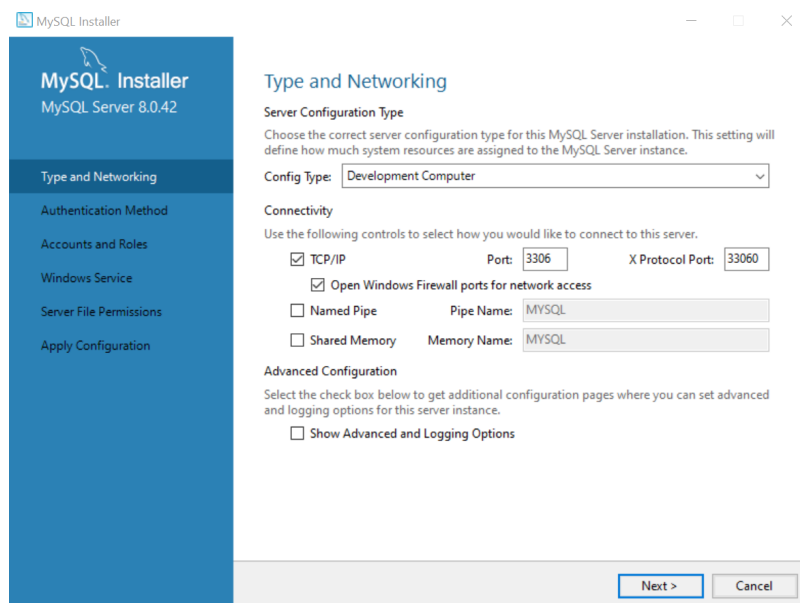


4. Select **MySQL Servers** and **MySQL Workbench**



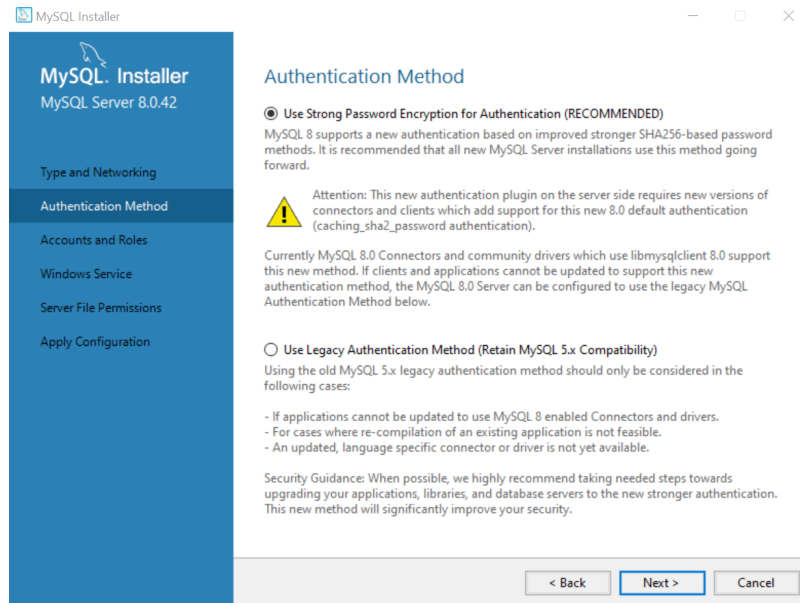
5. Proceed through the installation wizard

6. Use the default port (3306)



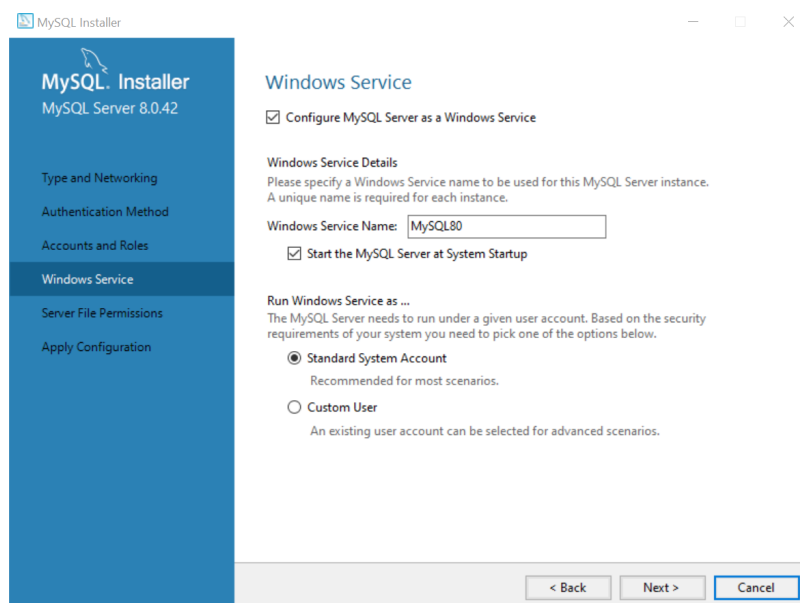
7. Choose the Authentication Method as below





8. Create a root password

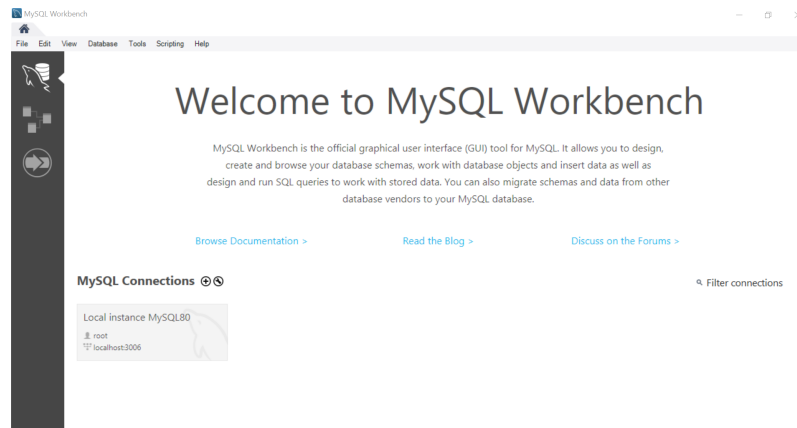
9. Choose Windows Service as below



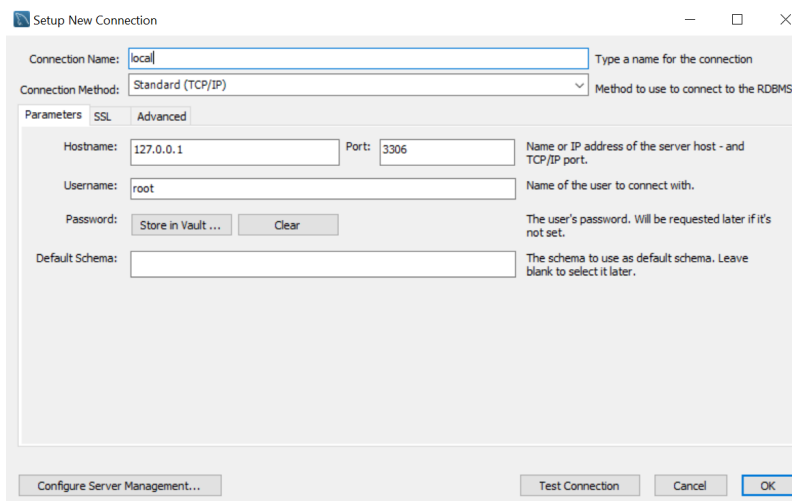
10. Proceed through the installation wizard until finish

### 3.2.3 What after install MySQL?

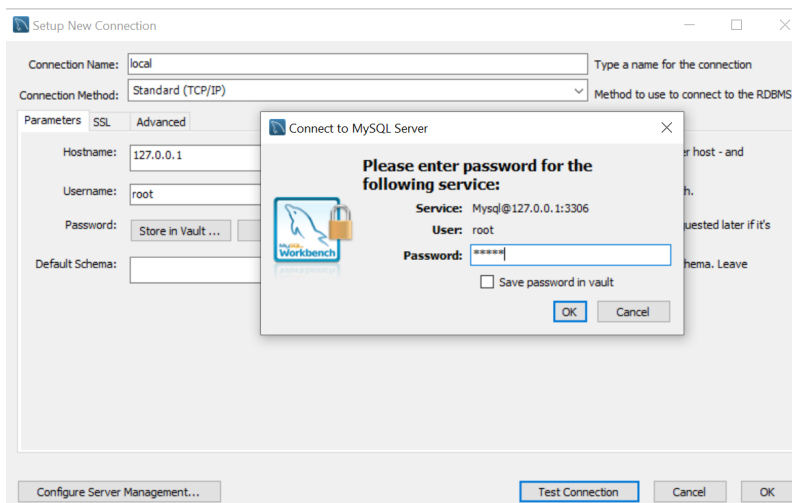
1. After installing MySQL, connect to the **MySQL Server**. by clicking the **+** symbol next to MySQL Connections




2. In the dialog box, enter a **Connection name**, e.g., `Local`

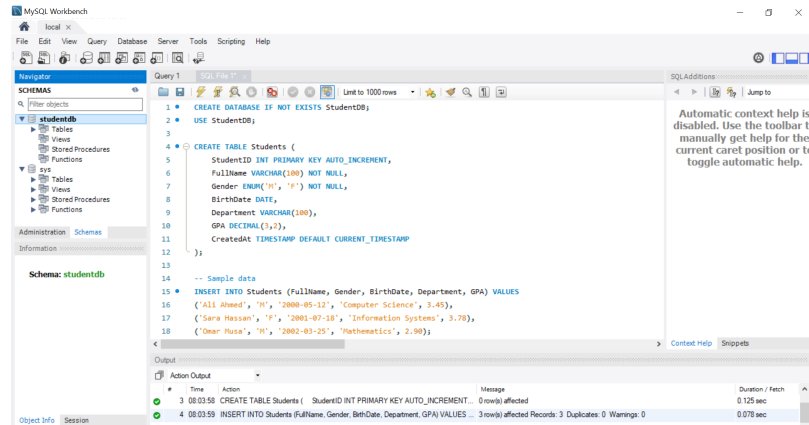


3. Click **Test Connection** and enter your MySQL root password to verify the connection



4. After successfully connecting to the MySQL server, create a new database called `StudentDB` :

- Open `local` connection
- Click **Create new SQL** from the top-left corner
- Write SQL commands to create the `StudentDB` database, a `Students` table, and insert sample data.
- Execute the Script using Execute button 



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/*
Name: Amira Naser Aldeein
Index: 01x-xxx
Department: e.g., CS
*/

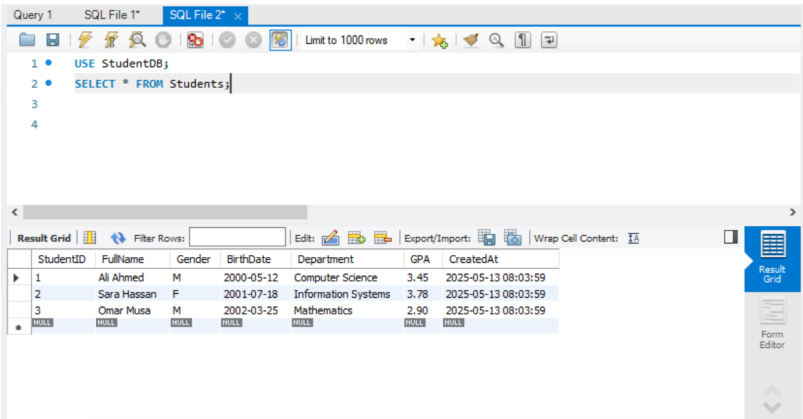
CREATE DATABASE IF NOT EXISTS StudentDB;
USE StudentDB;

CREATE TABLE Students (
    StudentID INT PRIMARY KEY AUTO_INCREMENT,
    FullName VARCHAR(100) NOT NULL,
    Gender ENUM('M', 'F') NOT NULL,
    BirthDate DATE,
    Department VARCHAR(100),
    GPA DECIMAL(3,2),
    CreatedAt TIMESTAMP DEFAULT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP
);

-- Sample data
INSERT INTO Students (FullName, Gender, BirthDate, Department, GPA) VALUES
('Ali Ahmed', 'M', '2000-05-12', 'Computer Science', 3.45),
('Sara Hassan', 'F', '2001-07-18', 'Information Systems', 3.78),
('Omar Musa', 'M', '2002-03-25', 'Mathematics', 2.90);
  
```

 Once you create the database, you will see it listed under the Schemas section on the left panel

5. Now you can run SQL queries on your new database



```
USE StudentDB;
SELECT * FROM Students;
```

What do we mean by Connection and Port?

A database connection is a communication link between a client application (e.g., MySQL Workbench) and the MySQL server. When an application (the client) needs to perform operations such as creating databases, running queries, or retrieving data, it establishes a connection to communicate with the server. The port is a communication endpoint on your machine. By default, MySQL uses port 3306 to listen for incoming client requests. In short, a connection is essential to allow your client tools or applications to interact with the MySQL server, run queries, manage data, and exchange information.

### 3.3 Python programming language

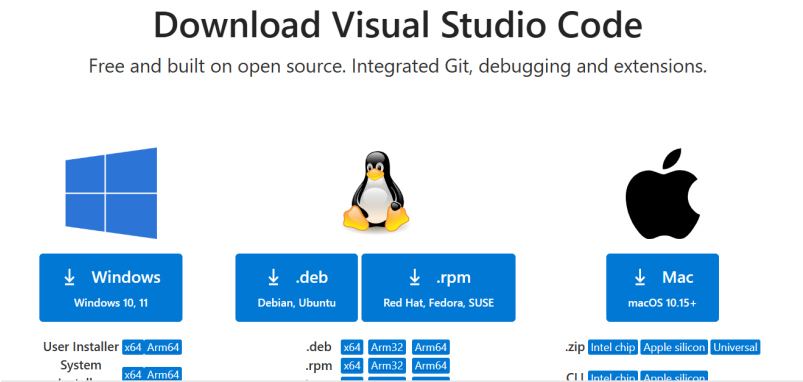
We will use the **Python programming language** to simulate the following: \* Concurrency control algorithms \* Database recovery techniques

#### 3.3.1 Download and Install Python

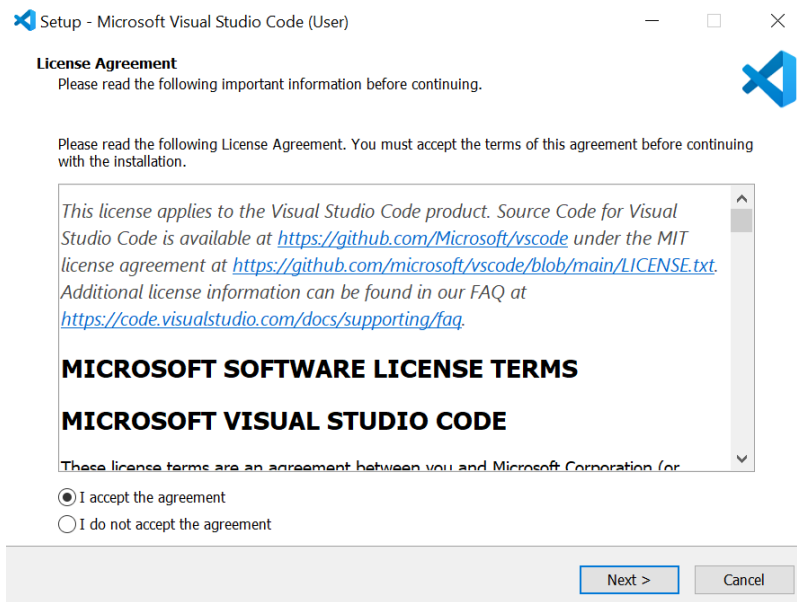
- 1. Go to the [Python](#) official website
- 2. Download the latest stable version
- 3. Open the installer and check
  - Add Python to PATH

#### 3.3.2 Download and Install VS Code

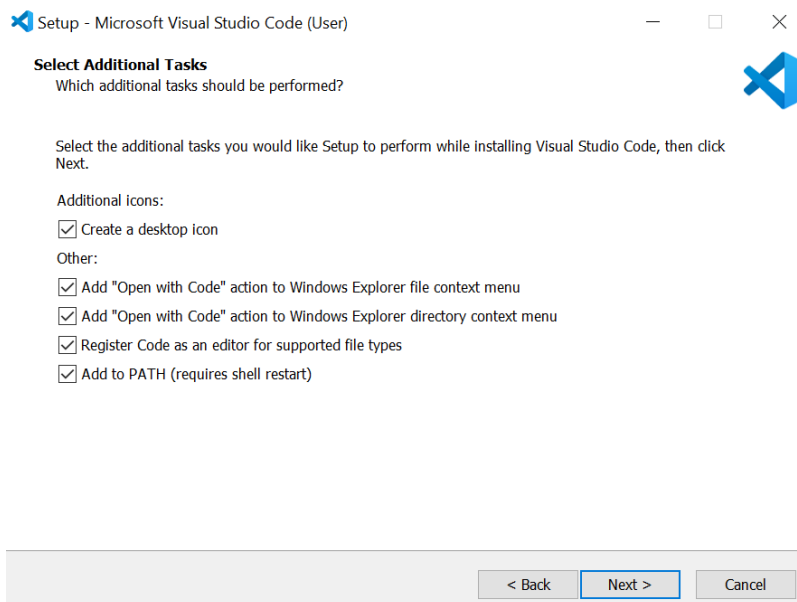
- 1. Visit the website [VS code](#) Click on Windows to download VS code for Windows, as shown below



- 2. After the download finished open the VSCodeUserSetup executable file, when it open select I accept the agreement then click on Next



3. Select all the option as seen below



4. Finally we are ready to install the VS code, click on `install` and wait until the setup finish

5. On the Vs code, on the left-hand side, click on `extension` then in the search bar, write `Python` select `Python microsoft` and click on `Install` as shown below



### 3.4 Alternative way to practice:

\* Online Postgres server \*\*[supabase](https://supabase.com/)\*\*  
 \* Online Python Editor \*\*[programiz](https://www.programiz.com/python-programming/online-compiler/)\*\*

### 3.5 Assignment: Install MySQL, Create a Database, and Query It

 **Due Date on 24/5/2025**

See the requirement about the structures of the lab [here](#)

1. Download and Install MySQL
2. Connect to the server
3. Create a New Database
4. Create a Table
5. Insert Data
6. Query the Data

```
USE DatabaseName;
SELECT * FROM TableName;
```

#### 3.5.1 What to assign:

Take Screenshots:

1. SQL code (on MySQL)
2. The output of your query
3. Put it all on one document