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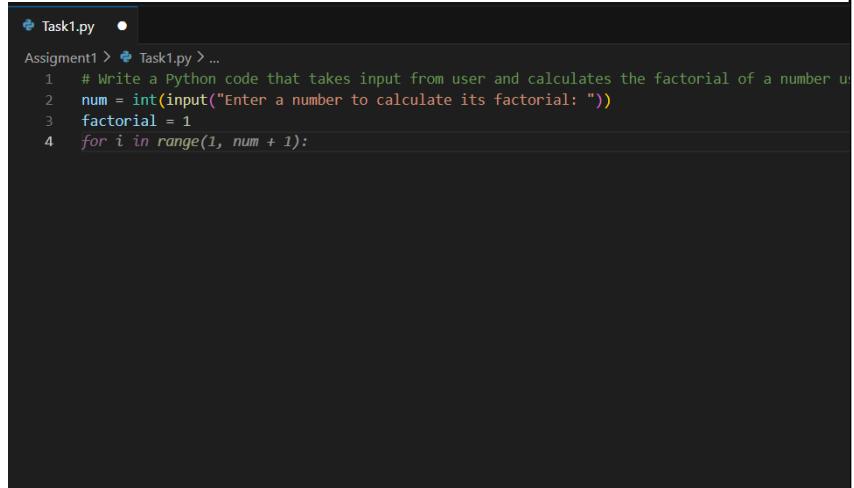
Q.No.	Question	Expected Time to complete
1	Lab 1: Environment Setup – GitHub Copilot and VS Code Integration + Understanding AI-assisted Coding Workflow  Lab Objectives:	Week1 - Monday

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To install and configure GitHub Copilot in Visual Studio Code.</li> <li>• To explore AI-assisted code generation using GitHub Copilot.</li> <li>• To analyze the accuracy and effectiveness of Copilot's code suggestions.</li> <li>• To understand prompt-based programming using comments and code context</li> </ul> <p><b>Lab Outcomes (LOs):</b> After completing this lab, students will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Set up GitHub Copilot in VS Code successfully.</li> <li>• Use inline comments and context to generate code with Copilot.</li> <li>• Evaluate AI-generated code for correctness and readability.</li> <li>• Compare code suggestions based on different prompts and programming styles.</li> </ul> <hr/> <p>Task 0</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Install and configure GitHub Copilot in VS Code. Take screenshots of each step.</li> </ul> <p>Expected Output</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Install and configure GitHub Copilot in VS Code. Take screenshots of each step.</li> </ul> <hr/> <p>Task 1: AI-Generated Logic Without Modularization (Factorial without Functions)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Scenario</b></li> </ul> <p>You are building a <b>small command-line utility</b> for a startup intern onboarding task. The program is simple and must be written quickly without modular design.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Task Description</b></li> </ul> <p>Use GitHub Copilot to generate a Python program that computes a mathematical product-based value (factorial-like logic) directly in the main execution flow, without using any user-defined functions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Constraint:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>□ Do not define any custom function</li> <li>□ Logic must be implemented using loops and variables only</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Expected Deliverables</b></li> </ul>	
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- A working Python program generated with Copilot assistance

```
num = int(input("Enter a number to calculate its factorial: "))
factorial = 1
for i in range(1, num + 1):
    factorial *= i
print(f"The factorial of {num} is {factorial}")
```

- Screenshot(s) showing:



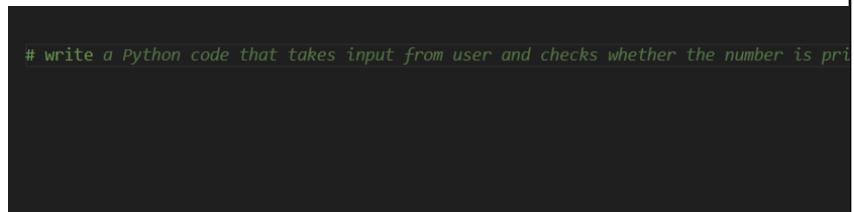
A screenshot of a code editor window titled "Task1.py". The code is as follows:

```
Task1.py
Assignment1 > Task1.py > ...
1  # Write a Python code that takes input from user and calculates the factorial of a number using a for loop...without using any functions...
2  num = int(input("Enter a number to calculate its factorial: "))
3  factorial = 1
4  for i in range(1, num + 1):
```

- The prompt you typed

Write a Python code that takes input from user and calculates the factorial of a number using a for loop...without using any functions...

- Copilot's suggestions



A screenshot of a code editor window showing a partial Python code suggestion:

```
# write a Python code that takes input from user and checks whether the number is pri
```

- Sample input/output screenshots

```
PS C:\Users\mahes\OneDrive\Desktop\AIAC> & C:\Users\mahes\AppData\Local\Programs\Python\Python313\python.
mahes\OneDrive\Desktop\AIAC\Assignment1\Task1.py
● Enter a number to calculate its factorial: 5
The factorial of 5 is 120
○ PS C:\Users\mahes\OneDrive\Desktop\AIAC>
```

□ Brief reflection (5–6 lines):

```
You give it a number as input.  
The program prompts the user to enter an integer.  
It initializes a variable to 1 to hold the  
factorial result.  
It loops from 1 up to the entered number,  
multiplying the result by each integer in  
sequence.  
Finally, it prints out the calculated factorial  
value for the given number.
```

□ How helpful was Copilot for a beginner?

```
We can generate code in just seconds simply by  
writing a prompt. It is very helpful for learning  
and allows us to engage in a much more efficient  
way.
```

□ Did it follow best practices automatically?

```
Yes, it automatically implemented several coding  
best practices
```

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## Task 2: AI Code Optimization & Cleanup (Improving Efficiency)

❖ Scenario

Your team lead asks you to **review AI-generated code** before committing it to a shared repository.

❖ Task Description

Analyze the code generated in **Task 1** and use Copilot again to:

- Reduce unnecessary variables
- Improve loop clarity
- Enhance readability and efficiency

Hint:

Prompt Copilot with phrases like  
*"optimize this code"*, *"simplify logic"*, or *"make it more readable"*

## ❖ Expected Deliverables

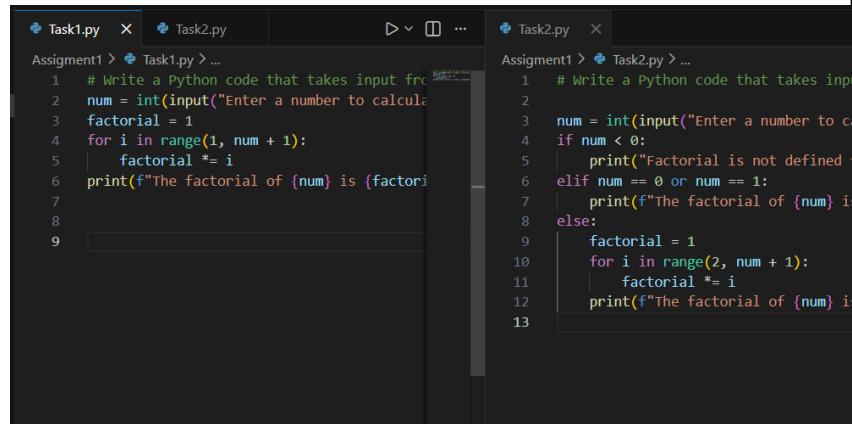
### □ Original AI-generated code

```
num = int(input("Enter a number to calculate its
factorial: "))
factorial = 1
for i in range(1, num + 1):
    factorial *= i
print(f"The factorial of {num} is {factorial}")
```

### □ Optimized version of the same code

```
num = int(input("Enter a number to calculate its
factorial: "))
if num < 0:
    print("Factorial is not defined for negative
numbers.")
elif num == 0 or num == 1:
    print(f"The factorial of {num} is 1")
else:
    factorial = 1
    for i in range(2, num + 1):
        factorial *= i
    print(f"The factorial of {num} is
{factorial}")
```

### □ Side-by-side comparison



```
Task1.py
1 # Write a Python code that takes input from user
2 num = int(input("Enter a number to calculate its
factorial: "))
3 factorial = 1
4 for i in range(1, num + 1):
5     factorial *= i
6 print(f"The factorial of {num} is {factorial}")

Task2.py
1 # Write a Python code that takes input from user
2
3 num = int(input("Enter a number to calculate its
factorial: "))
4 if num < 0:
5     print("Factorial is not defined for negative
numbers.")
6 elif num == 0 or num == 1:
7     print(f"The factorial of {num} is 1")
8 else:
9     factorial = 1
10    for i in range(2, num + 1):
11        factorial *= i
12    print(f"The factorial of {num} is
{factorial}")
```

- Written explanation:

- What was improved?

```
In the optimized code it first checks for  
negative numbers and if the user enters 1 or 0  
it runs faster than the original code.
```

- Why the new version is better (readability, performance, maintainability).

```
using if-else blocks for edge cases like 0 and  
1 it makes faster to run compared to orginal  
code
```

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### Task 3: Modular Design Using AI Assistance (Factorial with Functions)

#### ❖ Scenario

The same logic now needs to be reused in **multiple scripts**.

#### ❖ Task Description

Use GitHub Copilot to generate a **modular version** of the program by:

- Creating a **user-defined function**
- Calling the function from the main block

#### ❖ Constraints

- Use meaningful function and variable names
- Include inline comments (preferably suggested by Copilot)

#### ❖ Expected Deliverables

- AI-assisted function-based program

```
def calculate_factorial(num):  
    if num < 0:  
        return "Factorial is not defined for  
negative numbers."  
    elif num == 0 or num == 1:  
        return 1  
    else:  
        factorial = 1
```

```
        for i in range(2, num + 1):
            factorial *= i
        return factorial

num = int(input("Enter a number to calculate its
factorial: "))
result = calculate_factorial(num)
print(f"The factorial of {num} is {result}")
```

- Screenshots showing:
    - Prompt evolution
    - Copilot-generated function logic

```
Assignment1 > Task3.py > ...
1 # Write a Python code that takes input from user and calculates the factorial of
2 def calculate_factorial(num):
3     if num < 0:
4         return "Factorial is not defined for negative numbers."
5     elif num == 0 or num == 1:
6         return 1
7     else:
8         factorial = 1
9         for i in range(2, num + 1):
10             factorial *= i
11     return factorial
```

- ## □ Sample inputs/outputs

- PS C:\Users\mehes\OneDrive\Desktop\AIAC > & c:\users\mehes\appdata\local\programs\python\python.exe c:/users/mehes/OneDrive/Desktop/AIAC/Assignment1/Task3.py  
Enter a number to calculate its factorial: -6  
The factorial of -6 is Factorial is not defined for negative numbers.
- PS C:\Users\mehes\OneDrive\Desktop\AIAC >

- #### □ Short note:

- How modularity improves reusability

modules that can be reused across projects without rewriting, reducing duplication and enhancing maintainability.

## Task 4: Comparative Analysis – Procedural vs Modular AI Code (With vs Without Functions)

## ◆ Scenario

As part of a **code review meeting**, you are asked to justify design choices.

### ❖ Task Description

Compare the **non-function** and **function-based** Copilot-generated programs on the following criteria:

- Logic clarity
- Reusability
- Debugging ease
- Suitability for large projects
- AI dependency risk

### ❖ Expected Deliverables

Choose **one**:

- A comparison table

```
PS C:\Users\mahes\OneDrive\Desktop\AIAC> & C:\Users\mahes\AppData\Local\Programs\Python\Python.exe c:/Users/mahes/Desktop/AIAC/Assignment1/Task4.py
==== PROCEDURAL VERSION ====
Enter a number to calculate its factorial: 5
The factorial of 5 is 120
⌚ Execution Time (Procedural): 2207.452900 ms

=====
==== MODULAR VERSION ====
Enter a number to calculate its factorial: 5
The factorial of 5 is 120
⌚ Execution Time (Modular): 1376.439900 ms

=====
PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS
=====
Procedural Version: 2207.452900 ms
Modular Version: 1376.439900 ms

Modular was faster by 831.013000 ms
```

Feature	Non-Function Approach (Task 1)	Function-Based Approach (Task 2)
<b>Structure</b>	<b>Monolithic:</b> Logic, input, and output are mixed in one global block.	<b>Modular:</b> Logic is encapsulated in a specific function, separating it from I/O.
<b>Reusability</b>	<b>Low:</b> Code must be copied and pasted to be used elsewhere.	<b>High:</b> Function can be imported and called by any other script or module.
<b>Error Handling</b>	<b>Basic:</b> Uses simple <code>print</code> statements (e.g., "Error: Negative number").	<b>Robust:</b> Uses Exceptions ( <code>raise ValueError</code> ) allowing programs to catch and manage errors.
<b>Testing</b>	<b>Difficult:</b> Requires manual user input for every test case.	<b>Easy:</b> Can be automated using Unit Tests to verify logic instantly.
<b>Maintainability</b>	<b>Poor:</b> Changes to logic might break the input/output flow.	<b>Excellent:</b> You can upgrade the math logic without touching the rest of the code.

**OR**

- A short technical report (300–400 words).

## Task 5: AI-Generated Iterative vs Recursive Thinking

### ❖ Scenario

Your mentor wants to test how well AI understands different computational paradigms.

### ❖ Task Description

Prompt Copilot to generate:  
An **iterative** version of the logic  
A **recursive** version of the same logic

### ❖ Constraints

Both implementations must produce identical outputs  
Students must **not manually write the code first**

### ❖ Expected Deliverables

Two AI-generated implementations  
Execution flow explanation (in your own words)  
Comparison covering:

- Readability

#### *Iterative*

```
def factorial_iterative(n):  
    if n < 0:  
        return "Factorial is not defined for negative  
numbers."  
    elif n == 0 or n == 1:  
        return 1  
    else:  
        result = 1  
        for i in range(2, n + 1):  
            result *= i  
        return result  
  
num = int(input("Enter a number to calculate its  
factorial: "))  
factorial_result = factorial_iterative(num)  
print(f"The factorial of {num} is  
{factorial_result}")
```

```
recursive
def factorial_recursive(n):
    if n < 0:
        return "Factorial is not defined for negative
numbers."
    elif n == 0 or n == 1:
        return 1
    else:
        return n * factorial_recursive(n - 1)
num = int(input("Enter a number to calculate its
factorial: "))
factorial_result = factorial_recursive(num)
print(f"The factorial of {num} is
{factorial_result}")
```

#### □ Stack usage

an iterative one using a loop for factorial calculation and a recursive one..both handling negatives and base cases with user input and output.

#### □ Performance implications

Time Complexity: Both iterative and recursive approaches are  $O(n)$   
Space Complexity: Iterative uses  $O(1)$  and Recursive uses  $O(n)$  space due to call stack.

#### □ When recursion is *not* recommended.

when input n is large as it can cause stack overflow due to deep call stacks

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### Submission Requirements

1. Generate code for each task with comments.
2. Screenshots of Copilot suggestions.
3. Comparative analysis reports (Task 4 and Task 5).
4. Sample inputs/outputs demonstrating correctness.

	<p><b>Note: Report should be submitted as a word document for all tasks in a single document with prompts, comments &amp; code explanation, and output and if required, screenshots.</b></p>	
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