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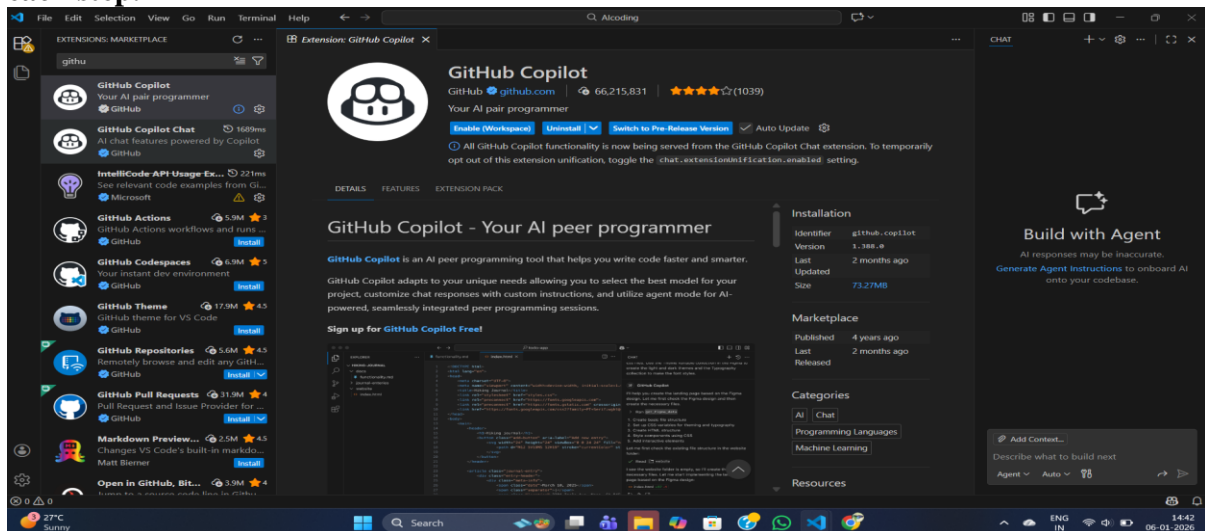
Lab Assignment # 1.5

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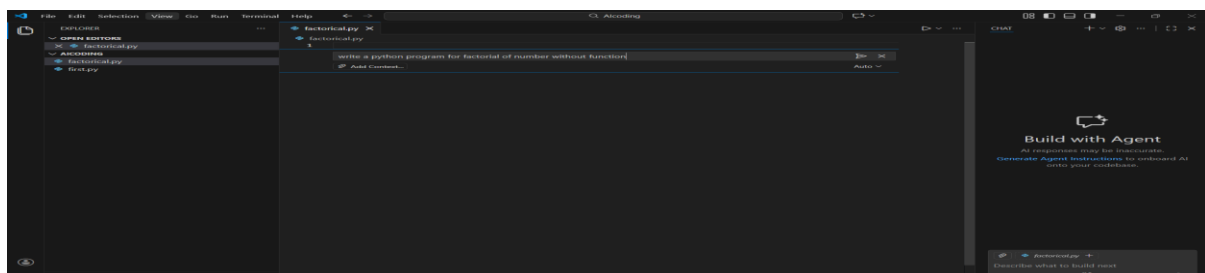
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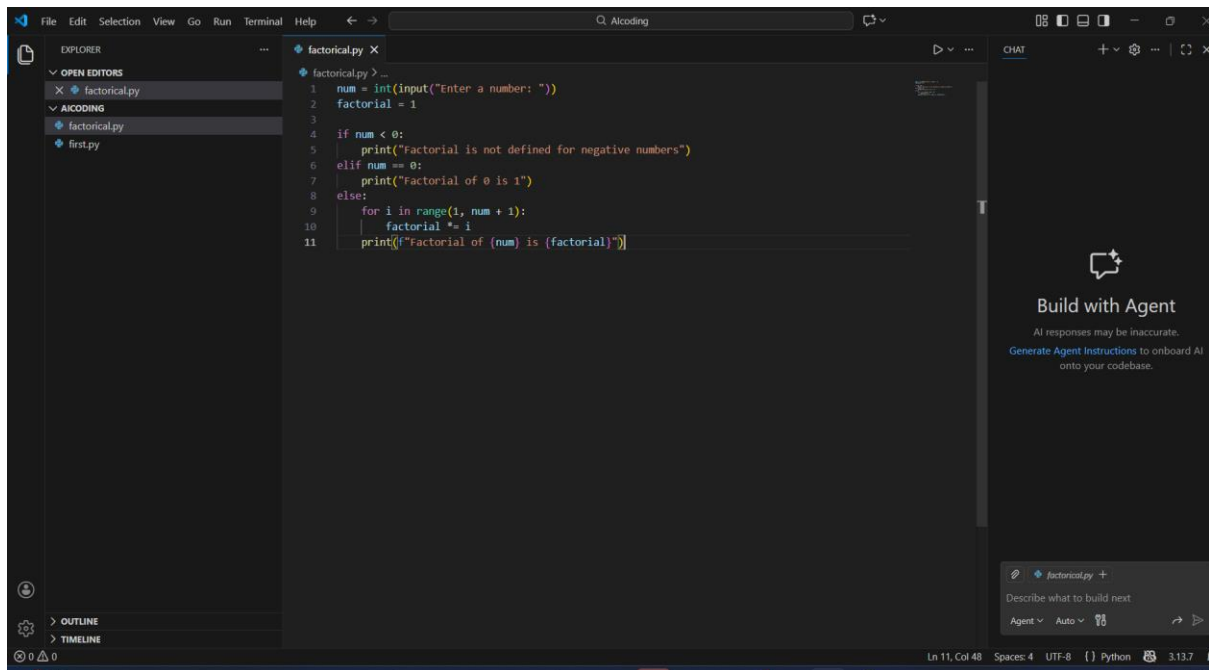
Task 0: Install and configure GitHub Copilot in VS Code. Take screenshots of each step.



Task1: Task Description

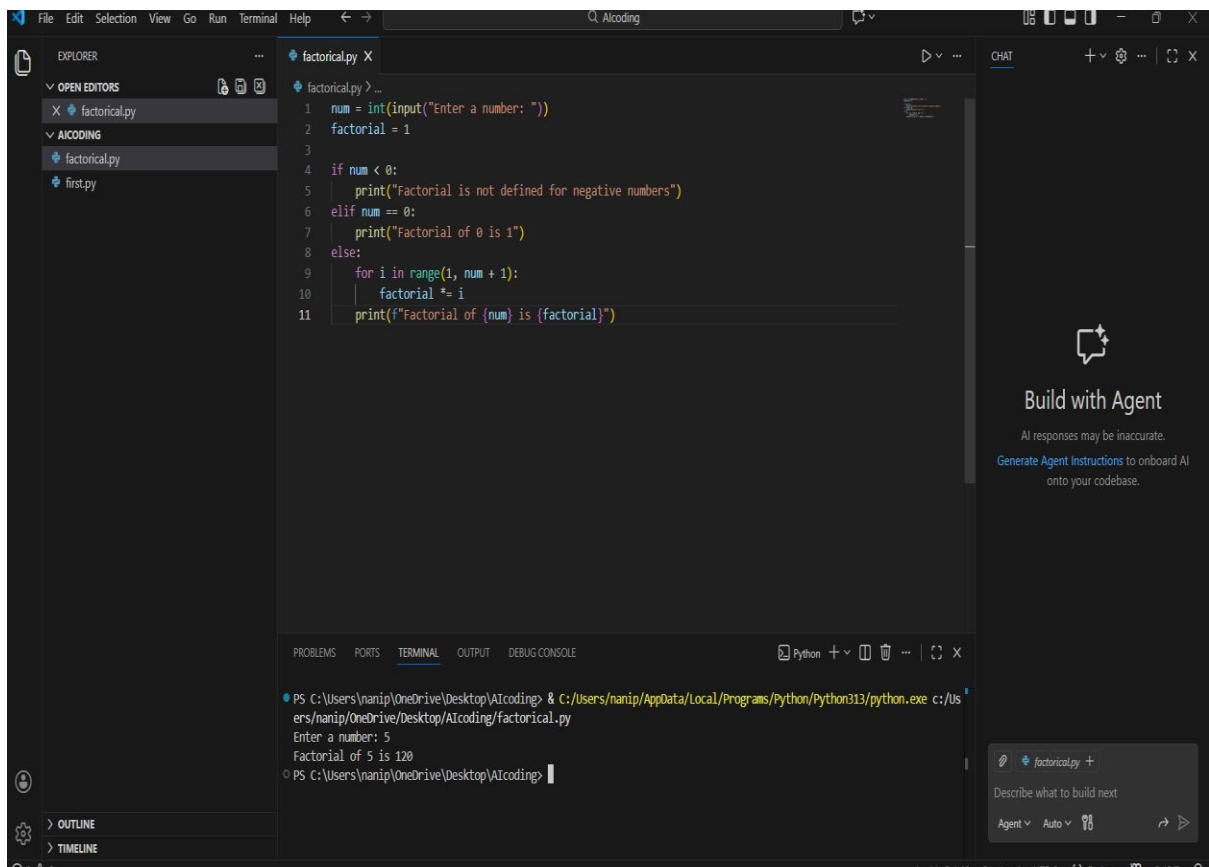
Use GitHub Copilot to generate a Python program that computes a mathematical product-based value (factorial-like logic) directly in the main execution flow, without using any user-defined functions.





This screenshot shows the Visual Studio Code editor interface. The Explorer pane on the left shows a project named 'AI CODING' with files 'factorial.py' and 'first.py'. The main editor window displays the code for 'factorial.py', which is a Python program to calculate the factorial of a number. The code includes input handling, error checking for negative numbers and zero, and a loop for calculating the factorial. The status bar at the bottom indicates 'Ln 11, Col 48', 'Spaces: 4', 'UTF-8', and 'Python 3.13.7'.

```
1 num = int(input("Enter a number: "))
2 factorial = 1
3
4
5 if num < 0:
6     print("Factorial is not defined for negative numbers")
7 elif num == 0:
8     print("Factorial of 0 is 1")
9 else:
10     for i in range(1, num + 1):
11         factorial *= i
12     print(f"Factorial of {num} is {factorial}")
```



This screenshot shows the same VS Code editor interface, but with the 'TERMINAL' pane open at the bottom. The terminal shows the command to run the 'factorial.py' file and the output of the program. The user entered '5' as the number, and the program outputted 'Factorial of 5 is 120'.

```
PS C:\Users\nanip\OneDrive\Desktop\AICoding> & C:/Users/nanip/AppData/Local/Programs/Python/Python313/python.exe c:/Users/nanip/OneDrive/Desktop/AICoding/factorial.py
Enter a number: 5
Factorial of 5 is 120
PS C:\Users\nanip\OneDrive\Desktop\AICoding>
```

- ❖ The Copilot is very helpful because we can generate code by just giving a prompt in Copilot Chat (ctrl + I)
- ❖ The code generated was as requested in the prompt

TASK - 2

Task Description

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

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

```

1 n=int(input())
2 fact=1
3 for i in range(1,n+1):
4     fact*=i
5 print(f"the factorial of {n} is {fact}")
6

```

PS C:\Users\nanip\OneDrive\Desktop\AICoding>

```

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```

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5
the factorial of 5 is 120

PS C:\Users\nanip\OneDrive\Desktop\AICoding>

What was improved?

- Shorter multiplication statement
- factorial = factorial * i → factorial *= i

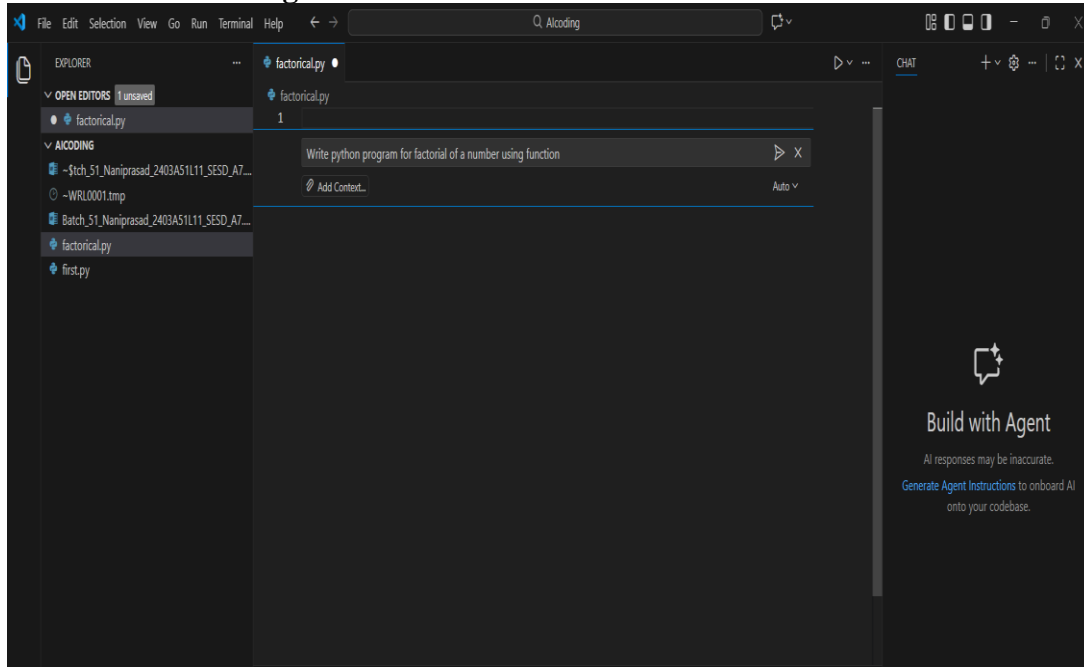
- ❖ The loop logic is self-explanatory, so the comment was removed.
- ❖ # Why the new version is better?
- ❖ Readability
 - ❖ *= is clearer and more concise.
 - Fewer lines and less clutter make the code easier to read.
- ❖ Maintainability
 - Cleaner code is easier to modify and debug.
 - Reduced redundancy lowers the chance of mistakes.
- ❖ Performance
 - Performance is effectively the same.
- ❖ *= is marginally optimized at the bytecode level, but the difference is negligible.

Task3

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



The screenshot shows the Visual Studio Code editor with the file `factorial.py` open. The code defines a `factorial(n)` function that calculates the factorial of a number `n`. It includes a docstring, a check for negative numbers, and a loop to calculate the factorial. Below the function, there is a section for user input: `num = int(input("Enter a number: "))` and `print(f"Factorial of {num} is: {factorial(num)}")`. The Explorer sidebar on the left shows the project structure, and the Chat sidebar on the right is visible.

This screenshot shows the same `factorial.py` file in VS Code, but with the terminal window open at the bottom. The terminal shows the command `python.exe c:/Users/nanip/OneDrive/Desktop/AIcoding/factorial.py` being executed. The user enters the number `5`, and the program outputs `Factorial of 5 is: 120`. The status bar at the bottom indicates the current line and column (Ln 16, Col 50) and the Python version (3.13.7).

Modularity improves reusability by:

Allowing the `factorial()` function to be reused in multiple programs without rewriting code.

Making the program easier to test, update, and debug.

Improving code organization, where logic is separated from input/output handling.

Supporting scalability, as the same function can be extended or integrated into larger projects.

#Task4

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

The screenshot shows the VS Code editor with a file named `factorial.py` open. The code is a non-function-based implementation of a factorial. A dialog box is displayed in the center of the editor, asking the user to compare the non-function and function-based Copilot-generated programs on the following criteria: Logic clarity, Reusability, and Add Context... The terminal at the bottom shows the command `python.exe c:/Users/nanip/OneDrive/Desktop/AIcoding/factorial.py` being executed, and the output is `Factorial of 5 is: 120`.

```

7 def factorial(n):
11     elif n == 0 or n == 1:
12         return 1
13     else:
14         result = 1
15         for i in range(2, n + 1):
16             result *= i
17         return result
18
19 # Get input from user
20 num = int(input("Enter a number: "))
21 print(f"factorial of {num} is: {factorial(num)}")
22
23

```

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

- ☐ Logic clarity
- ☐ Reusability
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Auto

```

PS C:\Users\nanip\OneDrive\Desktop\AIcoding> & C:\Users\nanip\AppData\Local\Programs\Python\Python313\python.exe c:/Users/nanip/OneDrive/Desktop/AIcoding/factorial.py
Enter a number: 5
Factorial of 5 is: 120
PS C:\Users\nanip\OneDrive\Desktop\AIcoding>

```

The screenshot shows the VS Code editor with the same `factorial.py` file. A new section of code has been added, titled `Comparison Analysis`, which compares the non-function and function-based approaches across the criteria mentioned in the task description. The terminal at the bottom shows the same command and output as the previous screenshot.

```

22 print(f"Factorial of {num} is: {factorial(num)}")
23
24 # Comparison Analysis
25 print("\n-- Comparison of Approaches --")
26 print("Non-function approach:")
27 print("  Logic clarity: Simple but mixed concerns")
28 print("  Reusability: Low - code cannot be reused")
29 print("  Debugging ease: Harder - logic embedded in main flow")
30 print("  Large projects: Poor - code duplication likely")
31 print("  AI dependency: Moderate - straightforward logic")
32
33 print("\nFunction-based approach:")
34 print("  Logic clarity: High - isolated and documented")
35 print("  Reusability: High - can be imported and used anywhere")
36 print("  Debugging ease: Easy - logic is testable and modular")
37 print("  Large projects: Excellent - follows best practices")
38 print("  AI dependency: Lower - cleaner code requires less AI assistance")
39
40 print("\nRecommendation: Use function-based approach for production code")

```

```

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```

```

18
19
20 # Get input from user
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```

Terminal Output:

```

PS C:\Users\nanip\OneDrive\Desktop\AICoding> & C:\Users\nanip\AppData\Local\Programs\Python\Python313\python.exe c:\Users\nanip\OneDrive\Desktop\AICoding\factorial.py

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TASK - 5

Task Description

Prompt Copilot to generate:

An iterative version of the logic

A recursive version of the same logic

factorial.py

```

1

```

write the python program using recursion for factorial of number

Add Context...


```

1 def factorial(n):
2     if n < 0:
3         raise ValueError("Factorial is not defined for negative numbers")
4     elif n == 0 or n == 1:
5         return 1
6     else:
7         return n * factorial(n - 1)
8
9 # Test the function
10 if __name__ == "__main__":
11     number = int(input("Enter a number: "))
12     result = factorial(number)
13     print(f"Factorial of {number} is {result}")
  
```

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```

Explanation:

How the Function Works

- Negative number check**
Factorials are not defined for negative numbers. If the input is negative, the program raises an error message.
- Base cases**
For 0 and 1, the factorial is defined as 1. This acts as the stopping condition for recursion.
- Recursive case**
For numbers greater than 1, the function calls itself with n-1. This recursive process continues until it reaches the base case.
Example:
 - To compute 5!, the function calculates 5\times 4!. Then 4! becomes 4\times 3!, and so on, until it reaches 1!.

- **Main Program Flow**
- **The program asks the user to enter a number.**
- **It then calls the factorial function with that number.**
- **Finally, it prints the result in a clear message.**

- **Example Execution**

If the user enters 5:

- **The recursive calls break it down step by step until reaching 1.**
- **The final result is 120.**

So the program outputs: *Factorial of 5 is 120.*

Summary

This program demonstrates:

- **Recursion (function calling itself).**
- **Error handling (for negative inputs).**
- **Base cases (to stop recursion).**
- **User interaction (taking input and displaying output).**

