

Lab 1.2: Environment Setup – GitHub Copilot and VS Code Integration + AI-Assisted Coding Workflow

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Task 0: GitHub Copilot Installation

Steps:

1. Install Visual Studio Code.
2. Open Extensions panel.
3. Search for 'GitHub Copilot'.
4. Click Install.
5. Sign in with GitHub account.
6. Enable Copilot in settings.

(Attach screenshots manually in final submission.)

Task 1: Fibonacci Without Functions (Procedural)

Copilot Prompt Used: Generate Fibonacci sequence without using functions

```
n = int(input('Enter number of terms: '))
a, b = 0, 1
print('Fibonacci sequence:')
for i in range(n):
    print(a, end=' ')
    a, b = b, a + b
```

Sample Input: 5

Output: 0 1 1 2 3

Task 1: AI-Generated Logic Without Modularization (Factorial without Functions)

```
n = int(input("Enter a number: "))

fact = 1
i = 1

while i <= n:
    fact = fact * i
    i += 1

print("Factorial is:", fact)
```

Enter a number: 5
Factorial is: 120

Task 2: Optimized Fibonacci Code

Improvements:

- Removed redundant variables
- Simplified loop logic
- Used tuple unpacking for cleaner swapping
- Improved readability

```
n = int(input('Enter number of terms: '))
prev, curr = 0, 1
for _ in range(n):
    print(prev, end=' ')
    prev, curr = curr, prev + curr
```

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

Original AI Code

```
: n = int(input("Enter a number: "))

fact = 1
i = 1

while i <= n:
    fact = fact * i
    i += 1

print("Factorial is:", fact)
```

Enter a number: 6
Factorial is: 720

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Task 3: Fibonacci Using Functions (Modular Approach)

Copilot Prompt Used: Create function-based Fibonacci program

```
def fibonacci(n):
    a, b = 0, 1
    sequence = []
    for _ in range(n):
        sequence.append(a)
        a, b = b, a + b
    return sequence

n = int(input('Enter number of terms: '))
print(fibonacci(n))
```

Sample Input: 5

Output: [0, 1, 1, 2, 3]

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

```
] : def calculate_factorial(number):  
    # This function computes factorial using iteration  
    result = 1  
  
    for i in range(1, number + 1):  
        result *= i  
  
    return result  
  
# Main execution block  
n = int(input("Enter a number: "))  
  
answer = calculate_factorial(n)  
  
print("Factorial is:", answer)
```

```
Enter a number: 2  
Factorial is: 2
```

Task 4: Comparative Analysis

Procedural vs Modular:

- Code Clarity: Modular is cleaner.
- Reusability: Function-based code reusable.
- Debugging: Easier in modular approach.
- Suitable for large systems: Modular approach preferred.

Task 5: Iterative vs Recursive Fibonacci

Iterative Implementation:

```
def fib_iterative(n):  
    a, b = 0, 1  
    for _ in range(n):  
        print(a, end=' ')  
        a, b = b, a + b
```

Recursive Implementation:

```
def fib_recursive(n):  
    if n <= 1:  
        return n  
    return fib_recursive(n-1) + fib_recursive(n-2)
```

```
for i in range(5):  
    print(fib_recursive(i), end=' ')
```

Task 5: AI-Generated Iterative vs Recursive Thinking

Iterative Version

```
n [ ]: def factorial_iterative(n):  
        result = 1  
  
        for i in range(1, n + 1):  
            result *= i  
  
        return result
```

Recursive Version

```
n [ ]: def factorial_recursive(n):  
        # Base case  
        if n == 0 or n == 1:  
            return 1  
  
        return n * factorial_recursive(n - 1)
```

Comparison:

- Iterative: $O(n)$ time, $O(1)$ space.
- Recursive: $O(2^n)$ time, higher memory usage.
- Recursion should be avoided for large n .

Conclusion

This lab demonstrated GitHub Copilot integration, AI-assisted programming, code optimization, modular design, and algorithm comparison. AI improves productivity but requires human validation.