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Introduction

This project implements a numerology analysis tool. It processes a birthday input and performs the following tasks:

Scenario A

- Calculate the Life Path Number by adding digits (with recursive reduction), preserving master numbers (11, 22, 33).
- Determine the Lucky Colour corresponding to the Life Path Number.
- (When two birthdays are provided, compare their Life Path Numbers.)

Scenario B

- Identify the generation (e.g., Silent Generation, Baby Boomers, Generation X, Millennials, Generation Z, or Generation Alpha) based on the birth year.

Only birthdays between 1925 and 2025 are valid. The design adheres to modularity principles and is thoroughly tested using both black-box and white-box approaches. All work is tracked using version control (Git).

Scenario

A software company is developing tools for numerology analysis. The key functionalities are:

Scenario A

- **For a Single Birthday:**
 - Calculate the Life Path Number.
 - Determine the Lucky Colour.
 - Indicate if the Life Path Number is a master number.
- **For Two Birthdays:**
 - Compare if the Life Path Numbers are identical.

Scenario B

- **Generation Identification:**
 - Determine which generation a person belongs to, based on the birth year (using predefined generation ranges as provided on Blackboard).

Detailed Description

Module Descriptions

1. `validate_birthday`

- **Name:** `validate_birthday`
- **Task:** Validate a birthday string, split it into day, month, and year, and convert these values.
- **Input:** Birthday string (formats such as "13 November 1987", "13 Nov 1987", or "13 11 1987").
- **Output:** A tuple (day, month, year) if valid; otherwise, a `ValueError` is raised.
- **Assumptions:** Only dates between 1925 and 2025 are accepted.

2. `life_path_number`

- **Name:** `life_path_number`
- **Task:** Calculate the Life Path Number by summing the digits of the day, month, and year. The sum is recursively reduced until a single digit is obtained (except when a master number is encountered).
- **Input:** Three integers (day, month, year).
- **Output:** An integer representing the Life Path Number.

3. `lucky_color`

- **Name:** `lucky_color`
- **Task:** Map a given Life Path Number to its corresponding Lucky Colour.
- **Input:** Life Path Number (an integer).
- **Output:** A string representing the Lucky Colour (e.g., 5 → "Sky Blue").

4. `generation_checker`

- **Name:** `generation_checker`
- **Task:** Determine the generation to which a person belongs based on their birth year.
- **Input:** Year (integer).
- **Output:** A string indicating the generation (e.g., "Silent Generation", "Baby Boomers").

5. main

- **Name:** main
- **Task:**
 - Act as the entry point for the program.
 - Obtain birthday input from the user via keyboard.
 - Call the modules for validating the birthday, calculating the Life Path Number, determining the Lucky Colour, and checking the generation.
 - Display the analysis results.
- **Input:** Birthday string from keyboard.
- **Output:** Printed results on the console.

Modularity

1. Design Principles and Decisions

- **Single Responsibility:** Each module is responsible for one distinct functionality.
- **High Cohesion and Low Coupling:** Modules are designed to work independently and interact through well-defined interfaces. For example, `validate_birthday` returns a date tuple that is then consumed by `life_path_number`.
- **Information Hiding:** Implementation details (e.g., the recursive digit reduction) are encapsulated within the module.
- **Reusability and Extensibility:** The modules are designed to be reusable and can be easily extended to add further numerology features.

2. Running the Production Code

Environment: Linux command-line with Python 3.

Steps:

- A. Open the terminal in the project root.

Execute the following command:

```
python main.py
```

B. Sample Output:

```
Enter your birthday (e.g., 09 November 2005 or 13 Nov 1987): 13 November 1987

Your birthday           : 13 November 1987
Your life path number  : 3
Your lucky color        : Sky Blue
Your generation         : Generation X
```

3. Review Checklist and Refactoring Decisions

Review Checklist:

- **Single Responsibility:** Each module handles one specific task.
- **Interface Consistency:** All modules use uniform input and output types.
- **Error Handling:** Each module raises clear exceptions for invalid input.
- **Naming Conventions:** All modules and variables have descriptive names.
- **Elimination of Code Duplication:** Common logic is abstracted into helper functions.

Refactoring Decisions:

- *validate_birthday* was simplified by using the `datetime` module and creating helper functions for month normalization and leap year adjustment.
- *life_path_number* had its nested helper functions moved to top-level to improve testability.
- *main* was refactored for dependency injection to simplify testing of user input and output flows.

Test Design

Test cases have been designed using both black-box (functional) and white-box (structural) approaches. Detailed tables for each module follow.

Black-Box Test Cases

1. Module: `validate_birthday`

Test ID	Description	Input	Expected Output	Test Approach
VB-EP-1	Valid birthday with full month name	"13 November 1987"	(13, 11, 1987)	Equivalence Partitioning
VB-EP-2	Valid birthday with month abbreviation	"13 Nov 1987"	(13, 11, 1987)	Equivalence Partitioning
VB-EP-3	Valid birthday with numeric month	"13 11 1987"	(13, 11, 1987)	Equivalence Partitioning
VB-EP-4	Invalid format (missing components)	"13 1987"	Raises ValueError	Equivalence Partitioning
VB-EP-5	Invalid day (non-numeric)	"AA November 1987"	Raises ValueError	Equivalence Partitioning
VB-EP-6	Invalid month (non-existent)	"13 Novem 1987"	Raises ValueError	Equivalence Partitioning
VB-EP-7	Invalid year (non-numeric)	"13 November XXXX"	Raises ValueError	Equivalence Partitioning
VB-EP-8	Day out of range for month (e.g., Feb 31)	"31 February 2000"	Raises ValueError	Equivalence Partitioning

VB-EP-9	Year out of valid range	"13 November 2026"	Raises ValueError	Equivalence Partitioning
VB-BV A-1	Boundary: Earliest valid year	"01 January 1925"	(1, 1, 1925)	Boundary Value Analysis
VB-BV A-2	Boundary: Latest valid year	"31 December 2025"	(31, 12, 2025)	Boundary Value Analysis
VB-BV A-3	Just below earliest valid year	"31 December 1924"	Raises ValueError	Boundary Value Analysis
VB-BV A-4	Just above latest valid year	"01 January 2026"	Raises ValueError	Boundary Value Analysis

2. Module: life_path_number

Test ID	Description	Input (day, month, year)	Expected Output	Test Approach
LPN-E P-1	Basic calculation with single-digit result	(1, 1, 2000)	4	Equivalence Partitioning
LPN-E P-2	Calculation requiring digit reduction	(29, 8, 1994)	6	Equivalence Partitioning
LPN-E P-3	Calculation resulting in a master number	(29, 2, 1980)	22	Equivalence Partitioning
LPN-E P-4	Input includes a master number	(11, 3, 1986)	2	Equivalence Partitioning

3. Module: lucky_color

Test ID	Description	Input (Life Path Number)	Expected Output	Test Approach
LC-E P-1	Mapping for a regular number	5	"Sky Blue"	Equivalence Partitioning
LC-E P-2	Mapping for master number 11	11	"Silver"	Equivalence Partitioning
LC-E P-3	Mapping for master number 22	22	"White"	Equivalence Partitioning
LC-E P-4	Mapping for master number 33	33	"Crimson"	Equivalence Partitioning

4. Module: generation_checker

Test ID	Description	Input (Year)	Expected Output	Test Approach
GC-EP-1	Silent Generation	1940	"Silent Generation"	Equivalence Partitioning
GC-EP-2	Baby Boomers	1960	"Baby Boomers"	Equivalence Partitioning
GC-EP-3	Generation X	1970	"Generation X"	Equivalence Partitioning
GC-EP-4	Millennials	1990	"Millennials"	Equivalence Partitioning

GC-EP-5	Generation Z	2000	"Generation Z"	Equivalence Partitioning
GC-EP-6	Generation Alpha	2015	"Generation Alpha"	Equivalence Partitioning
GC-EP-7	Year outside valid range	1900	"Unknown"	Equivalence Partitioning
GC-BVA-1	Boundary: Start of Silent Generation	1901	"Silent Generation"	Boundary Value Analysis
GC-BVA-2	Boundary: End of Silent Generation	1945	"Silent Generation"	Boundary Value Analysis
GC-BVA-3	Boundary: Start of Baby Boomers	1946	"Baby Boomers"	Boundary Value Analysis
GC-BVA-4	Boundary: End of Baby Boomers	1964	"Baby Boomers"	Boundary Value Analysis
GC-BVA-5	Boundary: Start of Generation X	1965	"Generation X"	Boundary Value Analysis
GC-BVA-6	Boundary: End of Generation X	1979	"Generation X"	Boundary Value Analysis
GC-BVA-7	Boundary: Start of Millennials	1980	"Millennials"	Boundary Value Analysis
GC-BVA-8	Boundary: End of Millennials	1994	"Millennials"	Boundary Value Analysis

GC-BVA-9	Boundary: Start of Generation Z	1995	"Generation Z"	Boundary Value Analysis
GC-BVA-10	Boundary: End of Generation Z	2009	"Generation Z"	Boundary Value Analysis
GC-BVA-11	Boundary: Start of Generation Alpha	2010	"Generation Alpha"	Boundary Value Analysis
GC-BVA-12	Boundary: End of Generation Alpha	2024	"Generation Alpha"	Boundary Value Analysis

5. Module: main (Simulated I/O)

Test ID	Description	Input (Simulated)	Expected Outcome	Test Approach
MAIN-E P-1	Valid input scenario	"13 November 1987"	Console output with birthday, LPN, Lucky Colour, and Generation	Equivalence Partitioning (Simulated I/O)
MAIN-E P-2	Invalid input scenario	"13 XX 1987"	Raises ValueError	Equivalence Partitioning (Simulated I/O)

White-Box Test Cases

1. Module: validate_birthday (White-Box)

Test ID	Internal Component Tested	Input	Expected Internal Behavior	Expected Outcome
WB-VB-1	String splitting and length check	"13 November 1987"	Splits into ["13", "November", "1987"]	Returns (13, 11, 1987)
WB-VB-2	Month normalization (abbreviation mapping)	"13 Nov 1987"	Converts "Nov" to "november" (month number 11) using dictionary	Returns (13, 11, 1987)
WB-VB-3	Numeric month conversion	"13 11 1987"	Converts numeric "11" to corresponding month (11)	Returns (13, 11, 1987)
WB-VB-4	Leap year detection and adjustment	"29 February 2000"	Detects leap year; accepts 29 days in February	Returns (29, 2, 2000)
WB-VB-5	Insufficient components (error path)	"13 1987"	Fails length check and raises error	Raises ValueError

2. Module: life_path_number (White-Box)

Test ID	Internal Component Tested	Input (day, month, year)	Expected Internal Behavior	Expected Outcome
WB-L PN-1	Digit addition helper (add_digit)	29	Sums digits: $2 + 9 = 11$ (preserving master number if applicable)	Intermediate sum: 11
WB-L PN-2	Recursive reduction (greater_formatter)	42	Reduces $4 + 2 = 6$	Returns 6
WB-L PN-3	Master number preservation	(29, 2, 1980)	Recognizes master number condition and preserves 22	Returns 22
WB-L PN-4	Overall calculation for non-master input	(1, 1, 2000)	Adds reduced digits: $1 + 1 + 2 = 4$	Returns 4

3. Module: lucky_color (White-Box)

Test ID	Internal Logic Tested	Input (Life Path Number)	Expected Behavior (internal lookup)	Expected Outcome
WB-L C-1	Lookup for regular number	5	Retrieves value for key 5 from color mapping	"Sky Blue"
WB-L C-2	Lookup for master number	11	Retrieves value for key 11 from mapping	"Silver"

4. Module: generation_checker (White-Box)

Test ID	Internal Logic Tested	Input (Year)	Expected Internal Range Check Behavior	Expected Outcome
WB-G C-1	Check for Silent Generation range	1940	Verifies $1901 \leq 1940 \leq 1945$	"Silent Generation"
WB-G C-2	Check for Baby Boomers range	1960	Verifies $1946 \leq 1960 \leq 1964$	"Baby Boomers"
WB-G C-3	Check for Generation X range	1970	Verifies $1965 \leq 1970 \leq 1979$	"Generation X"
WB-G C-4	Handling a year outside defined ranges	1900	Fails all range checks	"Unknown"

5. Module: main (White-Box)

Test ID	Internal Sequence Tested	Input (Simulated)	Expected Internal Flow	Expected Outcome
WB-MA IN-1	Data flow: input → validate_birthday → processing	"13 November 1987"	Validates date, computes LPN, determines color, checks generation	Correct output printed
WB-MA IN-2	Exception path when validation fails	"13 XX 1987"	Fails during validation; exception raised	Raises ValueError

Test Implementation and Execution

All tests are implemented using Python's `unittest` framework. The project structure is:

```
/
├─ src/
│   ├─ __init__.py
│   ├─ validate_birthday.py
│   ├─ life_path_number.py
│   ├─ lucky_color.py
│   └─ generation_checker.py
├─ tests/
│   ├─ __init__.py
│   ├─ test_validate_birthday.py
│   ├─ test_life_path_number.py
│   ├─ test_lucky_color.py
│   └─ test_generation_checker.py
└─ main.py
```

To Run Tests:

1. Open a Linux terminal and navigate to the project root.

Execute:

```
python -m unittest discover tests
```

2. Example Output:

```
.....  
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Ran 61 tests in 0.003s  
  
OK
```

All 61 tests pass, confirming that both the functional outcomes and internal paths are correctly implemented.

Traceability Matrix

Module	Test Design Method	Test Cases Implemented	Comments
validate_birthday	EP, BVA, WB	13+ cases covering valid formats, invalid inputs, and boundaries	Comprehensive date validation tested
life_path_number	EP, WB	4 EP cases and 4 WB cases	Correct recursive reduction and master preservation validated
lucky_color	EP, WB	4 EP cases; 2 WB cases	Accurate mapping for regular and master numbers confirmed
generation_checker	EP, BVA, WB	7 EP/BVA cases and 4 WB cases	Generation ranges and boundary conditions fully covered
main	Simulated I/O (EP, WB)	2 simulated I/O tests	Overall input/output flow and exception handling verified

Discussion and Reflection

Achievements:

- Developed a numerology analysis tool using strong modularity principles.
- Designed and implemented comprehensive black-box and white-box test cases covering a wide range of input formats, boundary conditions, and internal logic paths.
- Systematically refactored code based on a review checklist to improve clarity, maintainability, and error handling.
- Effectively used Git for version control, documenting the iterative development process.

Challenges:

- Handling multiple date formats and ensuring correct leap year validations.
- Creating white-box tests that cover recursive functions without overexposing internal logic.
- Balancing extensive test coverage with maintaining a clean, modular codebase.

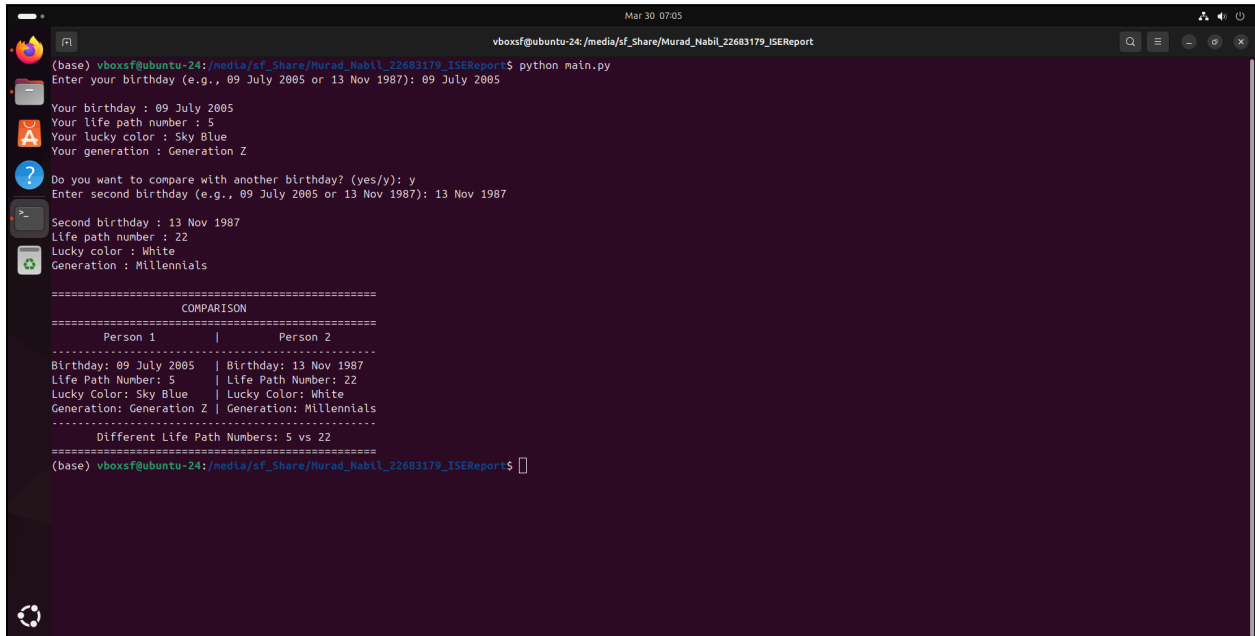
Limitations and Future Work:

- The current implementation provides basic numerology functions; future enhancements could include extended analysis and a graphical user interface.
- Future iterations may integrate continuous integration and automated regression testing.
- Enhanced error logging and dynamic configuration (e.g., for generation ranges) are potential improvements.

Conclusion: This project demonstrates a solid application of modularity, thorough testing (both black-box and white-box), and robust version control practices. The iterative development process and detailed documentation ensure that the solution is both reliable and maintainable.

Appendices

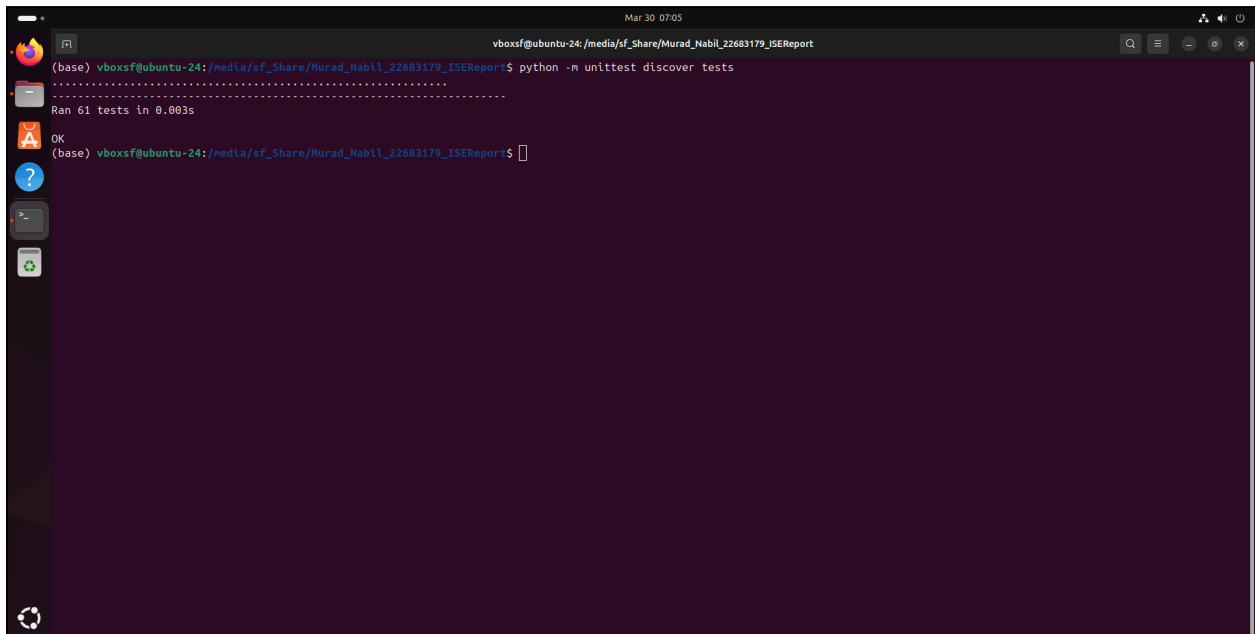
Sample Screenshots



```
(base) vboxsf@ubuntu-24:/media/sf_Share/Murad_Nabil_22683179_ISEReport$ python main.py
Enter your birthday (e.g., 09 July 2005 or 13 Nov 1987): 09 July 2005
Your birthday : 09 July 2005
Your life path number : 5
Your lucky color : Sky Blue
Your generation : Generation Z
Do you want to compare with another birthday? (yes/y): y
Enter second birthday (e.g., 09 July 2005 or 13 Nov 1987): 13 Nov 1987
Second birthday : 13 Nov 1987
Life path number : 22
Lucky color : White
Generation : Millennials

=====
COMPARISON
=====
Person 1 | Person 2
-----|-----
Birthday: 09 July 2005 | Birthday: 13 Nov 1987
Life Path Number: 5 | Life Path Number: 22
Lucky Color: Sky Blue | Lucky Color: White
Generation: Generation Z | Generation: Millennials
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Different Life Path Numbers: 5 vs 22
=====
(base) vboxsf@ubuntu-24:/media/sf_Share/Murad_Nabil_22683179_ISEReport$
```

Figure: Program Output.



```
(base) vboxsf@ubuntu-24:/media/sf_Share/Murad_Nabil_22683179_ISEReport$ python -m unittest discover tests
.....
Ran 61 tests in 0.003s
OK
(base) vboxsf@ubuntu-24:/media/sf_Share/Murad_Nabil_22683179_ISEReport$
```

Figure: Unittesting.

Git Log

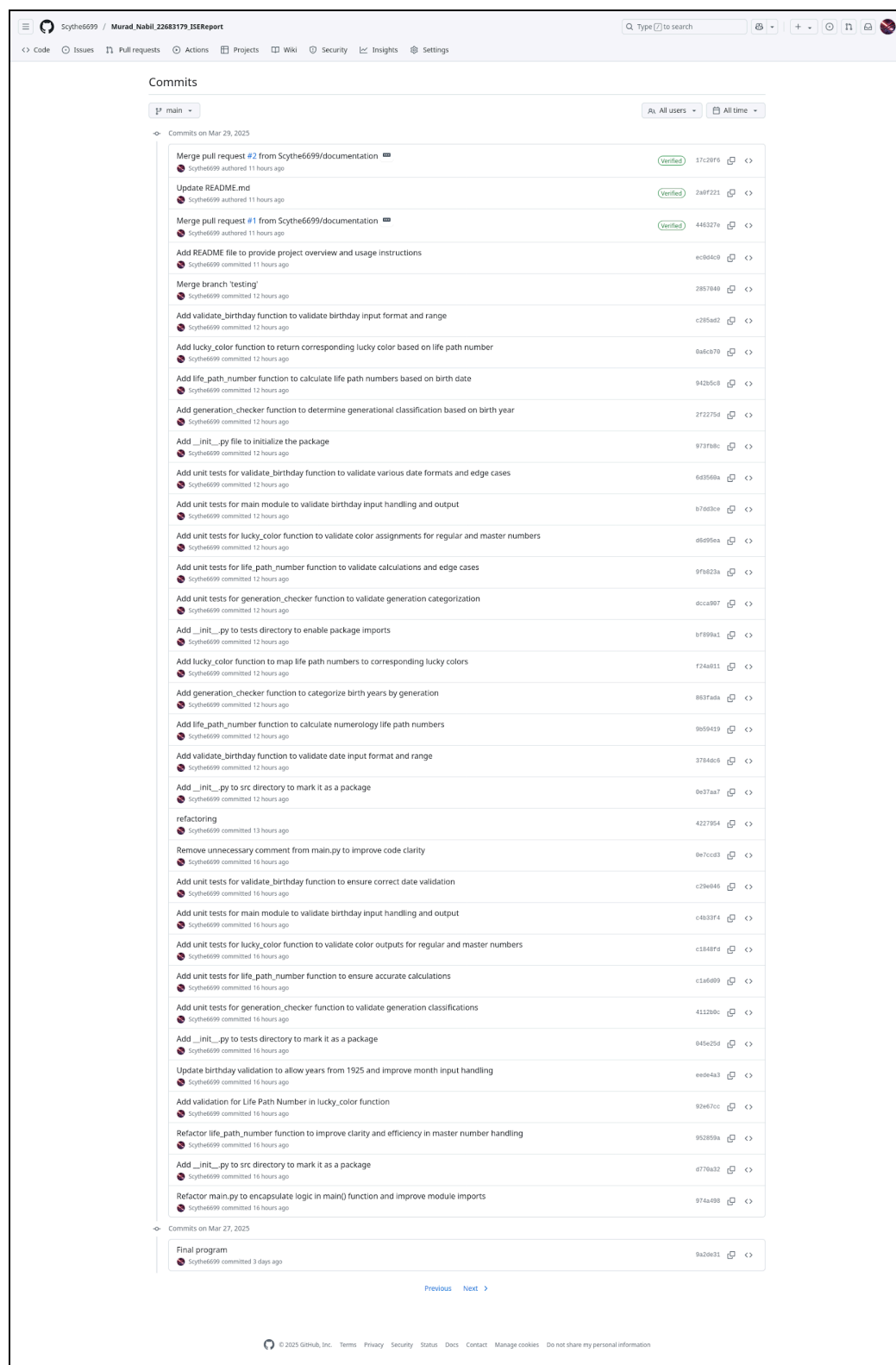
Git Repository: https://github.com/Scythe6699/22683179_ISE_Assignment_2025.git

Branch Plan:

- main - Main development branch for stable code
- feature - For implementing features
- testing - For implementing tests
- documentation - For preparing documentation

Git Log:

Please check the **git_log.txt** for log files or type `git --no-pager log > git_log.txt` in the cloned repository folder.



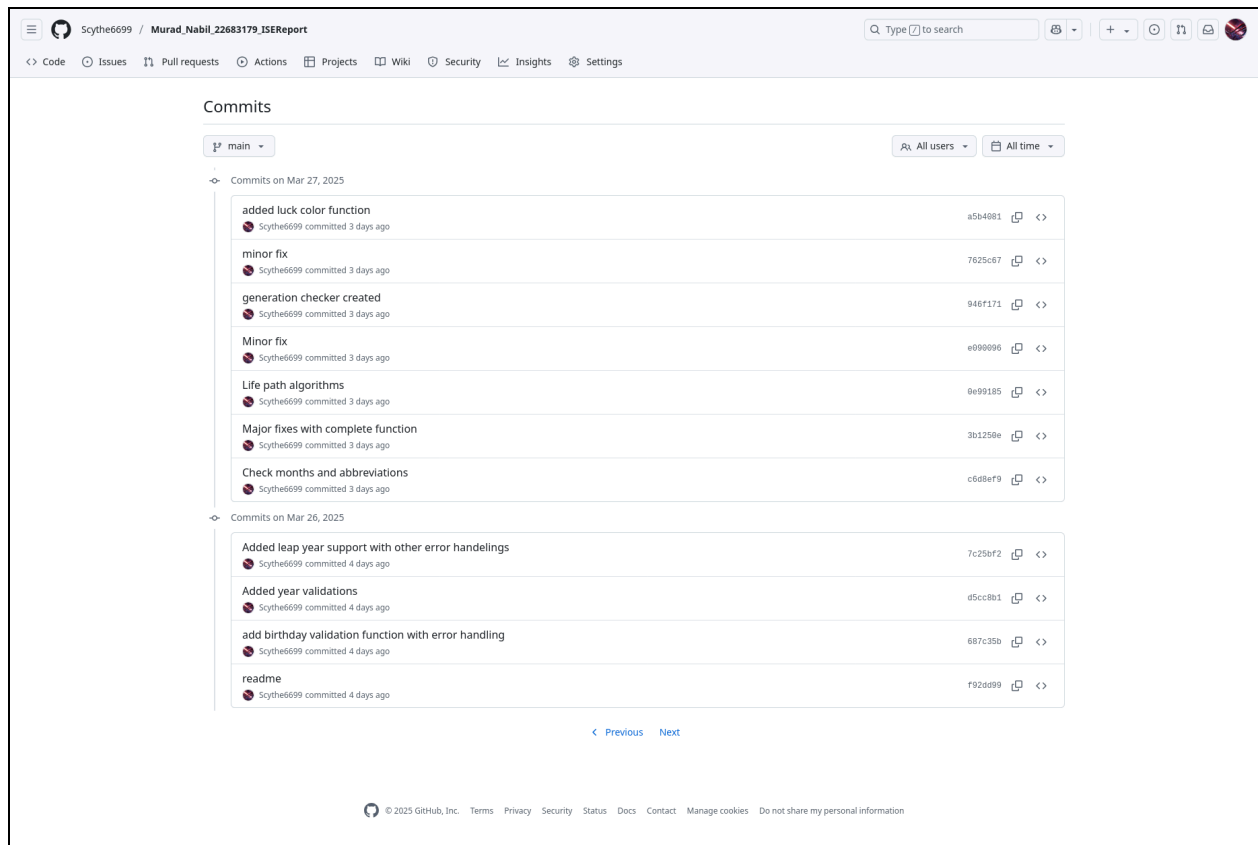


Figure: Git Commits 2.