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Theory:

Python Functions: Functions are a convenient way to divide your code into useful blocks, allowing us to order our code, make it more readable, reuse it and save some time. Also functions are a key way to define interfaces so programmers can share their code. They allow you to give a name to a block of statements, allowing you to run that block using the specified name anywhere in the program and any number of times. This is known as calling the function.

Local Variables: Variables declared inside a function definition are not related in any way to other variables with the same names used outside the function (variable names are local to the function). This is called the scope of the variable. All variables have the scope of the block they are declared in starting from the point of definition of the name.

The Global Statement: Variables defined at the top level of the program are intended global. Global variables are intended to be used in any functions or classes). Global statement allows defining global variables inside functions as well.

Modules: Modules allow reusing a number of functions in other programs.

Exercises:

Exercise 4.1.1: Create a python project using with SDN_LAB

Project name:

Project contents:

☒ Use default

Directory:

Project type

Choose the project type

☒ Python ☐ Jython ☐ IronPython

Grammar Version

Interpreter

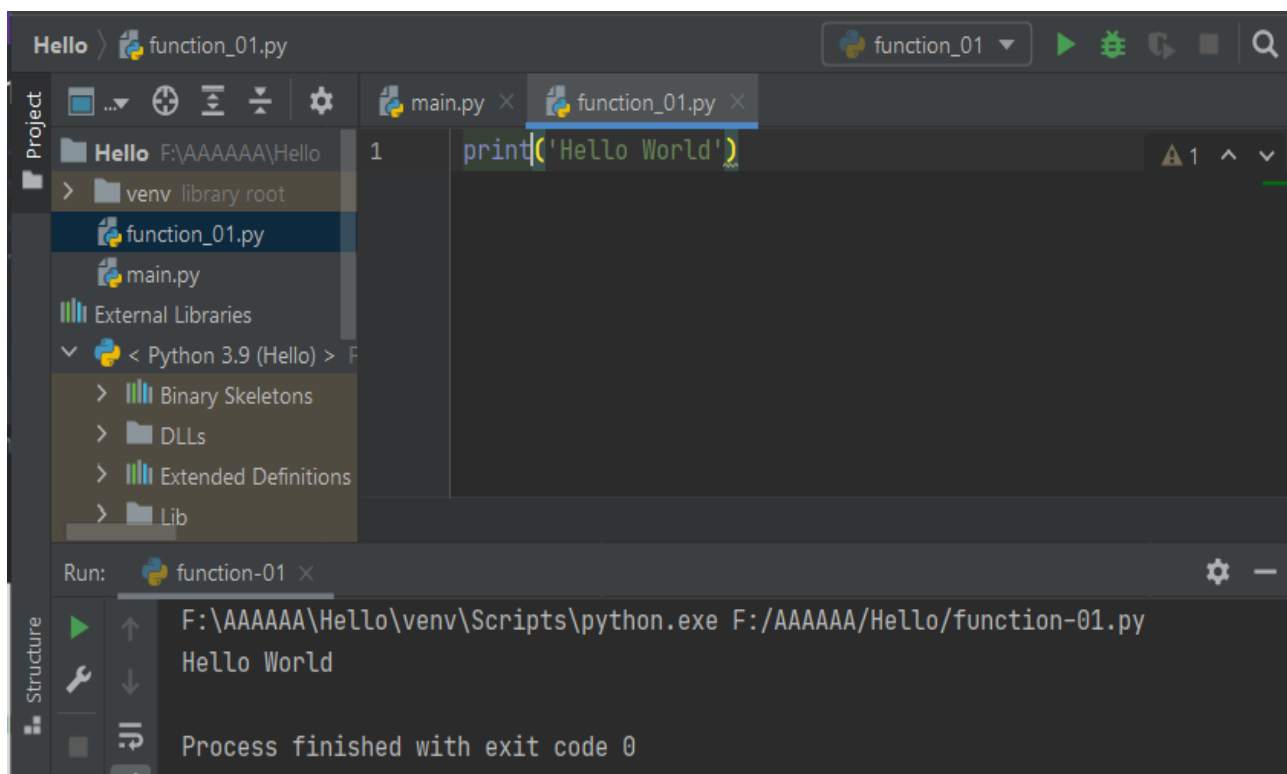
[Please configure an interpreter before proceeding.](#)

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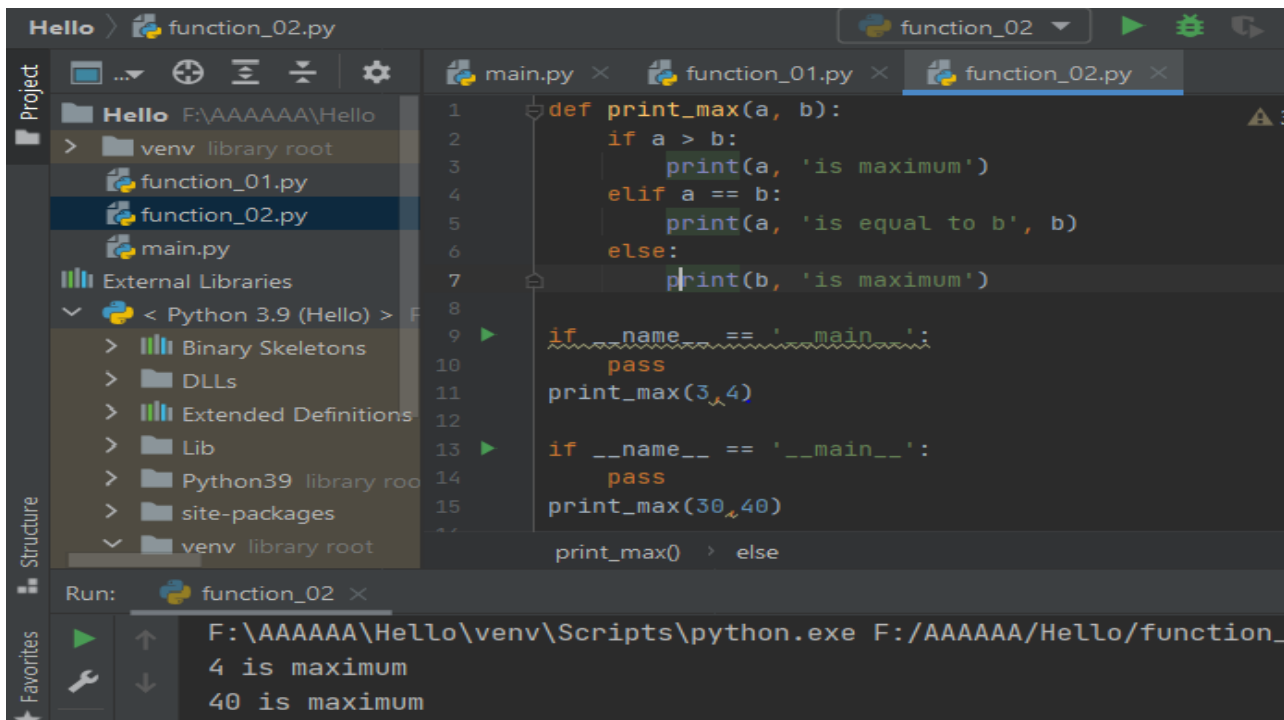
☒ Add project directory to the PYTHONPATH

☐ Create 'src' folder and add it to the PYTHONPATH

Exercise 4.1.2: Python function (save as function_01.py)



Exercise 4.1.3: Python function (save as function_02.py)



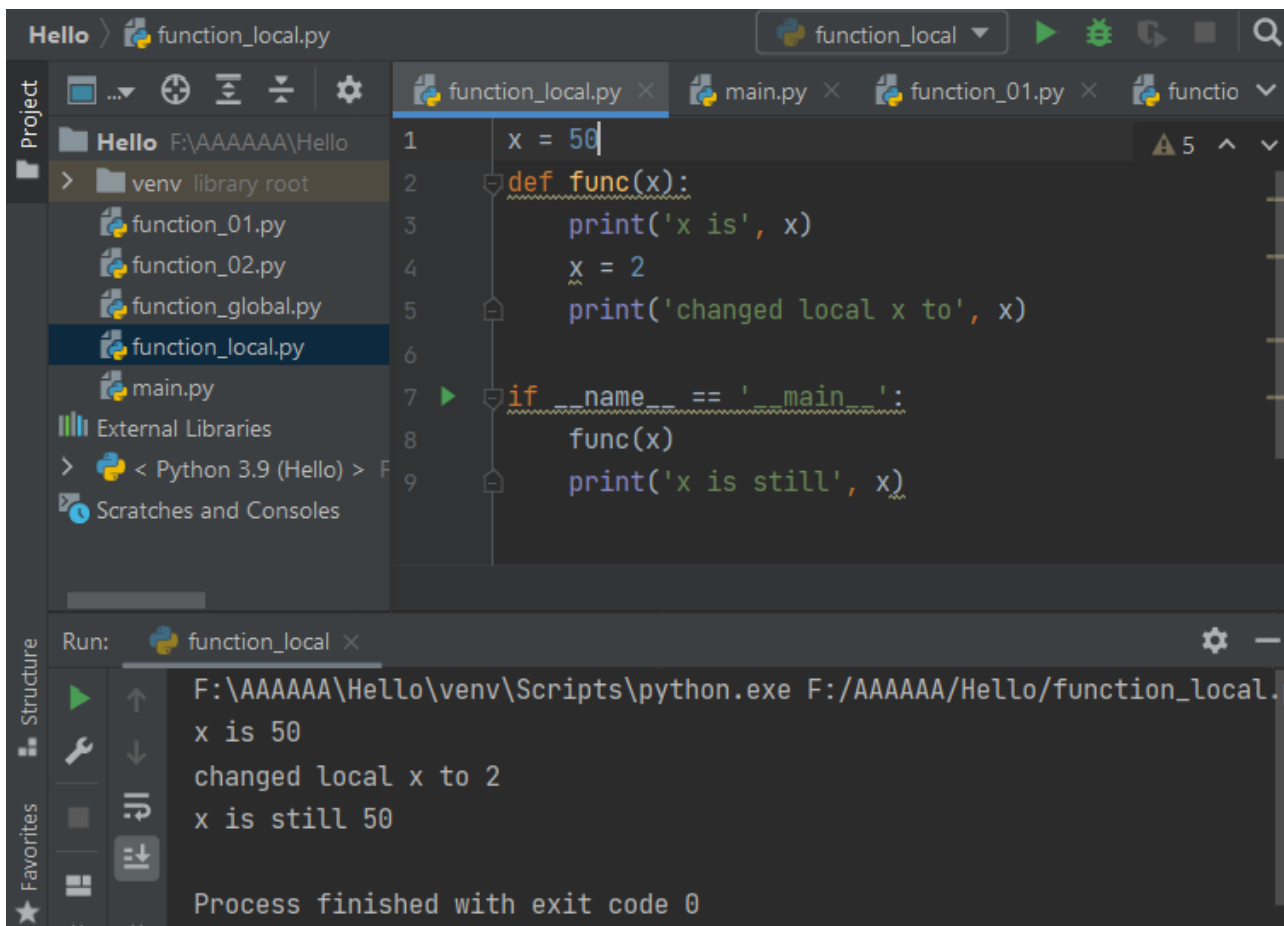
The screenshot shows an IDE with a project named 'Hello' at the path 'F:\AAAAAA\Hello'. The file explorer on the left lists 'venv library root', 'function_01.py', 'function_02.py', and 'main.py'. The editor displays the code for 'function_02.py' with the following content:

```
1 def print_max(a, b):
2     if a > b:
3         print(a, 'is maximum')
4     elif a == b:
5         print(a, 'is equal to b', b)
6     else:
7         print(b, 'is maximum')
8
9     if __name__ == '__main__':
10        pass
11    print_max(3, 4)
12
13    if __name__ == '__main__':
14        pass
15    print_max(30, 40)
16
17    print_max()
```

The Run console at the bottom shows the execution of 'function_02.py' using 'python.exe'. The output is:

```
F:\AAAAAA\Hello\venv\Scripts\python.exe F:/AAAAAA/Hello/function_02.py
4 is maximum
40 is maximum
```

Exercise 4.1.4: Local variable (save as function_local.py)



The screenshot shows an IDE with a project named 'Hello' at the path 'F:\AAAAAA\Hello'. The file explorer on the left lists 'venv library root', 'function_01.py', 'function_02.py', 'function_global.py', 'function_local.py', and 'main.py'. The editor displays the code for 'function_local.py' with the following content:

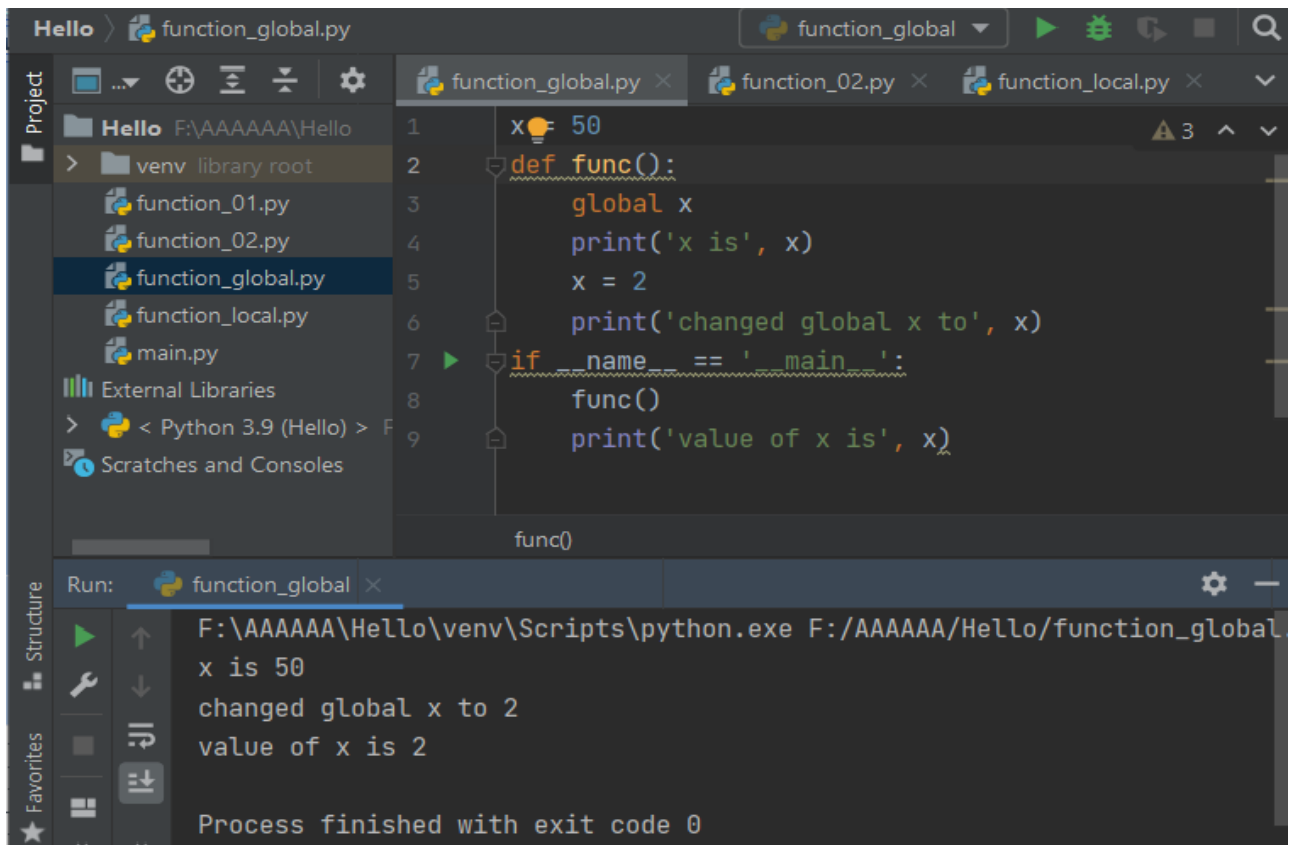
```
1 x = 50
2 def func(x):
3     print('x is', x)
4     x = 2
5     print('changed local x to', x)
6
7 if __name__ == '__main__':
8     func(x)
9     print('x is still', x)
```

The Run console at the bottom shows the execution of 'function_local.py' using 'python.exe'. The output is:

```
F:\AAAAAA\Hello\venv\Scripts\python.exe F:/AAAAAA/Hello/function_local.py
x is 50
changed local x to 2
x is still 50

Process finished with exit code 0
```

Exercise 4.1.5: Global variable (save as function_global.py)



```
1 x = 50
2 def func():
3     global x
4     print('x is', x)
5     x = 2
6     print('changed global x to', x)
7 if __name__ == '__main__':
8     func()
9     print('value of x is', x)
```

Run: function_global

F:\AAAAAA\Hello\venv\Scripts\python.exe F:/AAAAAA/Hello/function_global.py

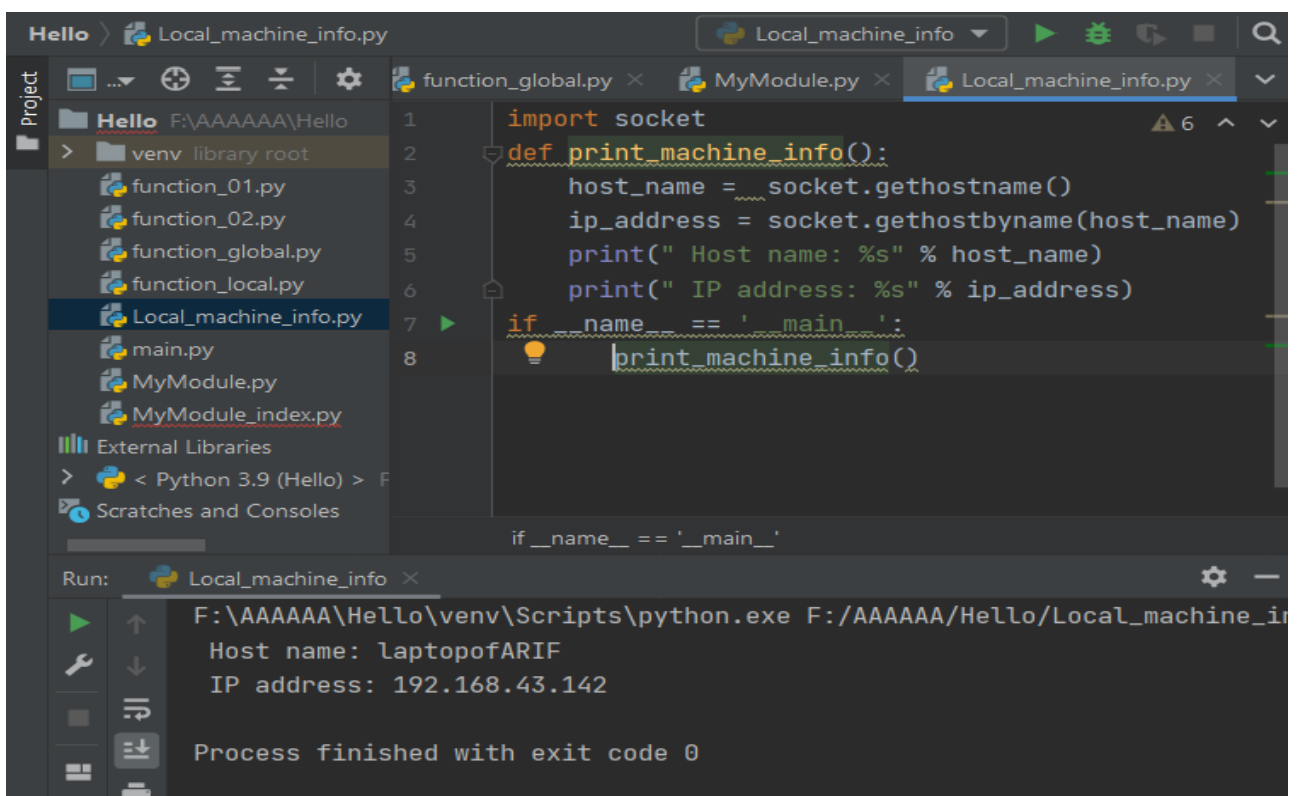
x is 50

changed global x to 2

value of x is 2

Process finished with exit code 0

Exercise 4.2.1: Printing your machine's name and IPv4 address



```
1 import socket
2 def print_machine_info():
3     host_name = socket.gethostname()
4     ip_address = socket.gethostbyname(host_name)
5     print(" Host name: %s" % host_name)
6     print(" IP address: %s" % ip_address)
7 if __name__ == '__main__':
8     print_machine_info()
```

Run: Local_machine_info

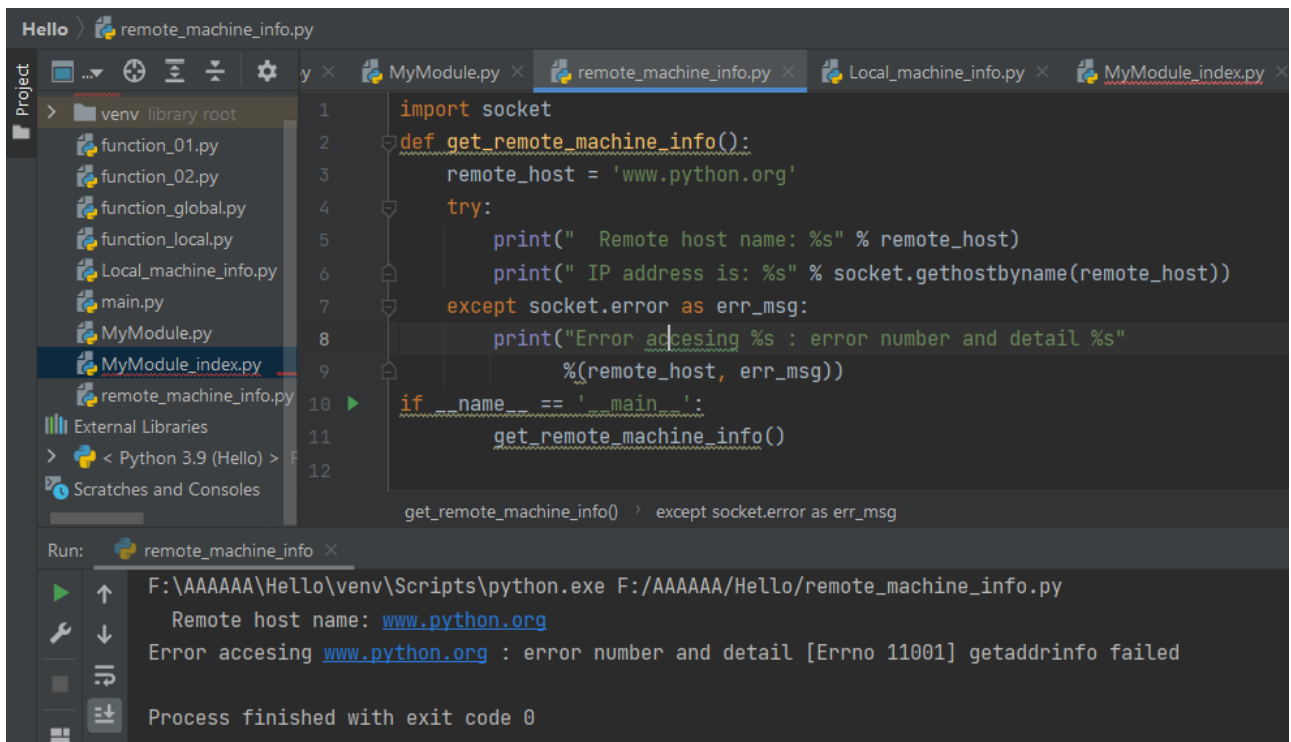
F:\AAAAAA\Hello\venv\Scripts\python.exe F:/AAAAAA/Hello/Local_machine_info.py

Host name: LaptopofARIF

IP address: 192.168.43.142

Process finished with exit code 0

Exercise 4.2.2: Retrieving a remote machine's IP address

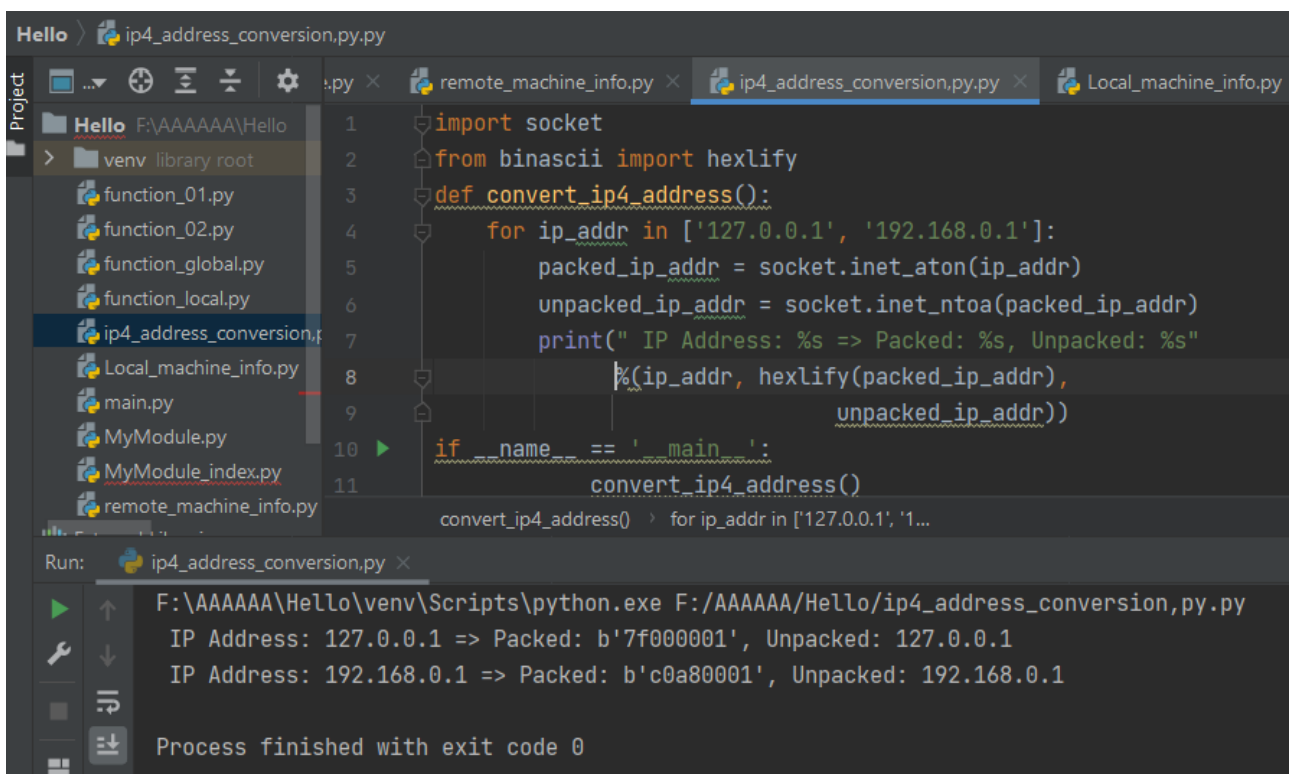


```
1 import socket
2 def get_remote_machine_info():
3     remote_host = 'www.python.org'
4     try:
5         print(" Remote host name: %s" % remote_host)
6         print(" IP address is: %s" % socket.gethostbyname(remote_host))
7     except socket.error as err_msg:
8         print("Error accessing %s : error number and detail %s"
9               %(remote_host, err_msg))
10 if __name__ == '__main__':
11     get_remote_machine_info()
12
```

Run: remote_machine_info

F:\AAAAAA\Hello\venv\Scripts\python.exe F:/AAAAAA/Hello/remote_machine_info.py
Remote host name: www.python.org
Error accessing www.python.org : error number and detail [Errno 11001] getaddrinfo failed
Process finished with exit code 0

Exercise 4.2.3: Converting an IPv4 address to different formats



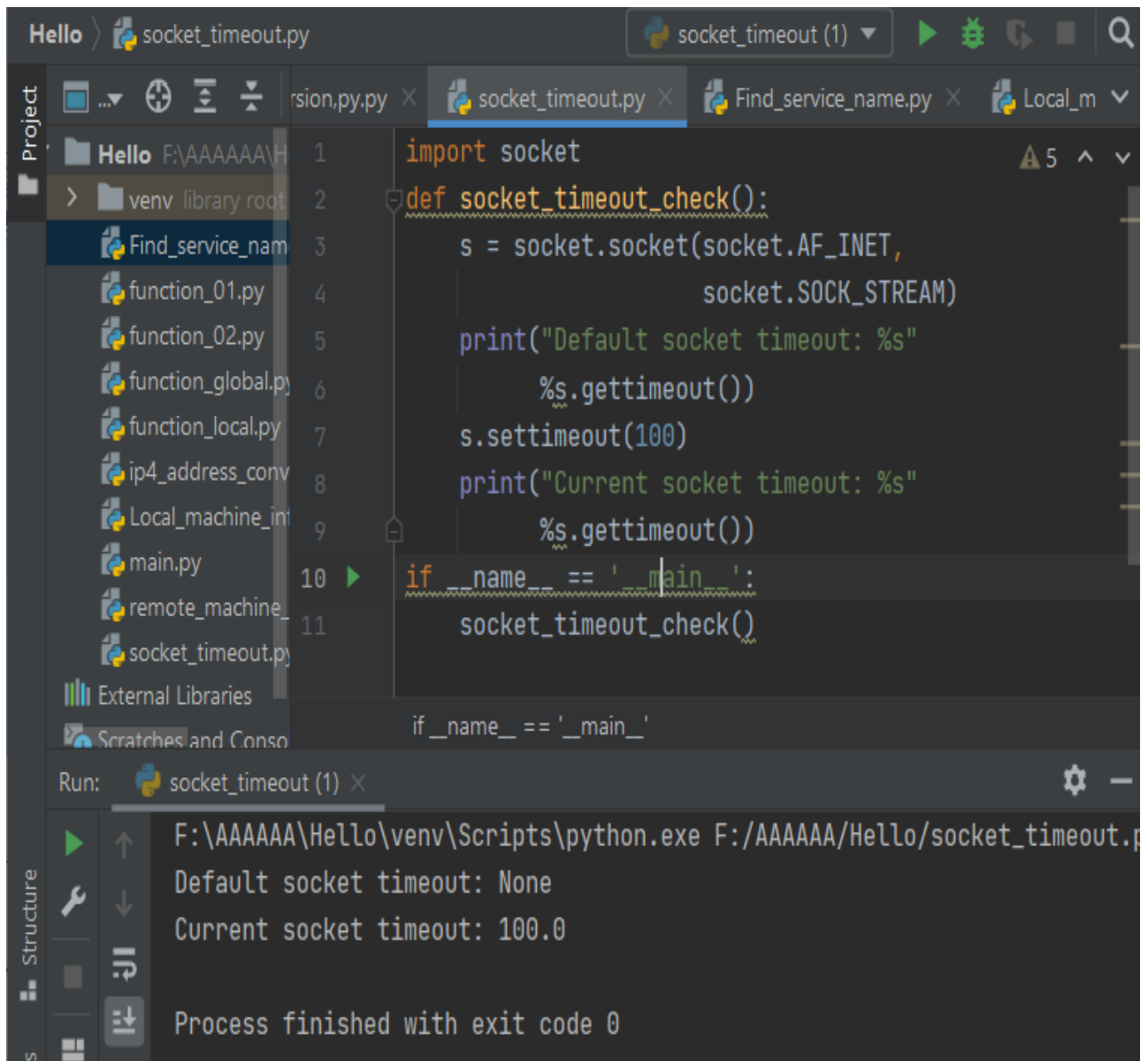
```
1 import socket
2 from binascii import hexlify
3 def convert_ip4_address():
4     for ip_addr in ['127.0.0.1', '192.168.0.1']:
5         packed_ip_addr = socket.inet_aton(ip_addr)
6         unpacked_ip_addr = socket.inet_ntoa(packed_ip_addr)
7         print(" IP Address: %s => Packed: %s, Unpacked: %s"
8               %(ip_addr, hexlify(packed_ip_addr),
9                 unpacked_ip_addr))
10 if __name__ == '__main__':
11     convert_ip4_address()

```

Run: ip4_address_conversion.py

F:\AAAAAA\Hello\venv\Scripts\python.exe F:/AAAAAA/Hello/ip4_address_conversion.py.py
IP Address: 127.0.0.1 => Packed: b'7f000001', Unpacked: 127.0.0.1
IP Address: 192.168.0.1 => Packed: b'c0a80001', Unpacked: 192.168.0.1
Process finished with exit code 0

Exercise 4.2.4: Setting and getting the default socket timeout



The screenshot shows an IDE with a project named 'Hello' and a file named 'socket_timeout.py'. The code in the file is as follows:

```
1 import socket
2 def socket_timeout_check():
3     s = socket.socket(socket.AF_INET,
4                       socket.SOCK_STREAM)
5     print("Default socket timeout: %s"
6           %s.gettimeout())
7     s.settimeout(100)
8     print("Current socket timeout: %s"
9           %s.gettimeout())
10 if __name__ == '__main__':
11     socket_timeout_check()
```

The output of the script is shown in the Run console:

```
Run: socket_timeout (1) X
F:\AAAAAA\Hello\venv\Scripts\python.exe F:/AAAAAA/Hello/socket_timeout.p
Default socket timeout: None
Current socket timeout: 100.0
Process finished with exit code 0
```

Exercise 4.2.4: Writing a simple echo client/server application (Tip: Use port 9900)

Server Code:

```
import socket
import sys
import argparse
import codecs
from codecs import encode, decode
host = 'localhost'
data_payload = 4096
backlog = 5
def echo_server(port):
    sock = socket.socket(socket.AF_INET, socket.SOCK_STREAM)
    sock.setsockopt(socket.SOL_SOCKET, socket.SO_REUSEADDR, 1)
    server_address = (host, port)
    print('Starting up echo server on %s port %s' % server_address)
    sock.listen(backlog)
    while True:
        print('Waiting to receive message from client')
        client, address = sock.accept()
        data = client.recv(data_payload)
        if data:
            print('Data : %s' % data)
            client.send(data)
            print('Sent %s bytes back to %s' % (data, address))
            client.close()
if __name__ == '__main__':
    parser = argparse.ArgumentParser(description='Socket Server Example')
    parser.add_argument('--port', action="store", dest="port", type=int, required=True)
    given_args = parser.parse_args()
    echo_server(1024)
if data:
```


Client Code:

```
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2 import sys
3 import argparse
4 import codecs
5 from codecs import encode, decode
6 host = 'localhost'
7 def echo_client(port):
8     sock = socket.socket(socket.AF_INET, socket.SOCK_STREAM)
9     server_address = (host, port)
10    print('Connecting to %s port %s' % server_address)
11    sock.connect(server_address)
12    try:
13        message = "Test message: SDN course examples"
14        print("Sending %s" % message)
15        sock.sendall(message.encode('utf_8'))
16        amount_received = 0
17        amount_expected = len(message)
18        while
19            amount_received < amount_expected:
20                data = sock.recv(16)
21                amount_received += len(data)
22                print("Received: %s" % data) except socket.errno
23    as e:
24        print("Socket error: %s" % str(e)) except Exception as e:
25        print("Other exception: %s" % str(e)) finally:
26        print("Closing connection to the server")
27        sock.close()
28    if __name__ == '__main__':
29        parser = argparse.ArgumentParser(description='Socket Server Exam
30        parser.add_argument('- --port', action="store",
31                            dest="port", type = int, required = True)
32        given_args = parser.parse_args()
33        port = given_args.port
34        echo_client(1024)
```

Conclusion: Python plays an essential role in network programming. The standard library of Python has full support for network protocols, encoding, and decoding of data and other networking concepts, and it is simpler to write network programs in Python than that of C++. There are two levels of network service access in Python.

These are:

- Low-Level Access
- High-Level Access

In the first case, programmers can use and access the basic socket support for the operating system using Python's libraries, and programmers can implement both connection-less and connection-oriented protocols for programming.

Application-level network protocols can also be accessed using high-level access provided by Python libraries. These protocols are HTTP, FTP, etc.

A socket is the end-point in a flow of communication between two programs or communication channels operating over a network. They are created using a set of programming requests called socket API (Application Programming Interface). Python's socket library offers classes for handling common transports as a generic interface.

Sockets use protocols for determining the connection type for port-to-port communication between client and server machines. The protocols are used for:

- Domain Name Servers (DNS)
- IP addressing
- E-mail
- FTP (File Transfer Protocol) etc.