

# AYTS 5001 - Programming for Analytics

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## Lab 4: Working with Files in Python

Estimated Time: 2 hours

### Learning Objectives

- Read and write to text files using Python
- Process CSV and JSON files using built-in modules
- Use file paths and manage file errors safely
- Apply multiple file handling concepts to a structured problem

### Instructions

Work through the following tasks in a Jupyter Notebook..

This lab must be uploaded to your GitHub.

Use functions and good coding practices where appropriate.

### Graded Task: Student Grades File Processor

You are given a text file called `grades.txt` with one student record per line, formatted as:  
``Name,Grade``

Write a Python program that:

1. Reads the `grades.txt` file and parses each line into a dictionary.
2. Calculates and prints the average grade.
3. Saves a new file `above_average.csv` containing only the names and grades of students who scored above average.
4. Saves all student data in a JSON file with the format:  
``[{"name": "Alice", "grade": 83}, ...]``
5. Wrap all file reading/writing in try/except blocks with appropriate error messages.

### Submission

Upload your completed notebook to GitHub.