Hands-on Lab: Static Code Analysis

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Static Code Analysis Lab

Estimated time needed: 30 minutes

Objectives

After completing this lab you will be able to:

- Install pylint package
- Run Static Code Analysis on a python program
- Check the compliance score of a python program.
- Fix common mistakes and improve the compliance score.

Install the pylint package

- Open a new terminal
- At the terminal, run the below command.
- pip3 install pylint
- · This should install the pylint package.

Create a sample python file for static code analysis

Create a new file named sample1.py

Copy and paste the below code into sample1.py

```
def add(number1, number2):
    return number1 + number2

num1 = 4
num2 = 5
total = add(num1, num2)
print("The sum of {} and {} is {}".format(num1, num2, total))
```

Save the file sample1.py

Run pylint

- · Open a terminal
- · run the below command
- pylint sample1.py
- Pylint goes through every line of code and gives you a list all the non-compliant lines.
- Pylint gives you a compliance score (10 being maximum).

Correct the mistakes identified by pylint.

- Based on the report given by pylint changes were made to this code to address the following issues.
 - Exactly one space required after comma
 - Exactly one space required around assignment
- Create a new file named sample2.py
- Copy and paste the below code into sample2.py

```
def add(number1, number2):
    return number1 + number2

NUM1 = 4
num2 = 5
total = add(NUM1, num2)
print("The sum of {} and {} is {}".format(NUM1, num2, total))
```

Save the file sample2.py

Run pylint

- Open a terminal
- run the below command
- pylint sample2.py
- This will give you the compliance score.
- This time you should see the score improve.

Your task

Improve the score in sample2.py to a perfect 10 by correcting all the issues pointed out by pylint. If cant figure out how to solve some issues it is helpful to google the pylint message.

Congratulations!

You now know how to perform static code analysis.

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Change Log

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