

Project Title: **Hydration Coach System**

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1. INTRODUCTION

The Hydration Coach is a beginner-friendly Python application designed to help users calculate their daily water intake based on body weight, provide hydration reminders, and demonstrate core programming concepts. This project applies problem-solving strategies, algorithmic thinking, modular design, and testing.

2. PROBLEM STATEMENT

People often forget to drink enough water throughout the day. Lack of hydration affects concentration, mood, and health. This project aims to solve the problem by calculating personalized water requirements and generating periodic reminders.

3. FUNCTIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- Accept user data (name, weight, interval).
- Calculate water requirement in ml, liters, and ml remainder.
- Provide hydration reminders at defined time intervals.
- Display results clearly.
- Provide test cases for verification.

4. NON-FUNCTIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- Usability: Simple and readable for beginners.
- Reliability: Produces consistent output.
- Portability: Works on Google Colab, VS Code, or IDLE.
- Maintainability: Clean modular structure.

5. SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE

User → user_input.py → main.py → calculator.py → reminders.py → Output

6. DESIGN DIAGRAMS

Use Case Diagram

- User inputs details.
- System calculates water.
- System gives reminders.
- User views results.

Workflow Diagram

1. Start

2. Get user input

3. Calculate water

4. Show output

5. End

Sequence Diagram

User → Main → User_Input → Calculator → Reminders → Console Output

Class/Component Diagram:

HYDRATION_COACH (PACKAGE)

- calculator.py
- reminders.py
- user_input.py
- main.py

ER Diagram:

(Not applicable - no database used.)

7. DESIGN DECISIONS & RATIONALE:

Modular Approach: Easier debugging and readability.

Simple Dictionaries for User Data: Beginner-friendly.

Functions Instead of Classes: Reduces complexity.

No External Dependency: Ensures easy execution.

8. IMPLEMENTATION DETAILS:

Variables, expressions, statements used throughout.

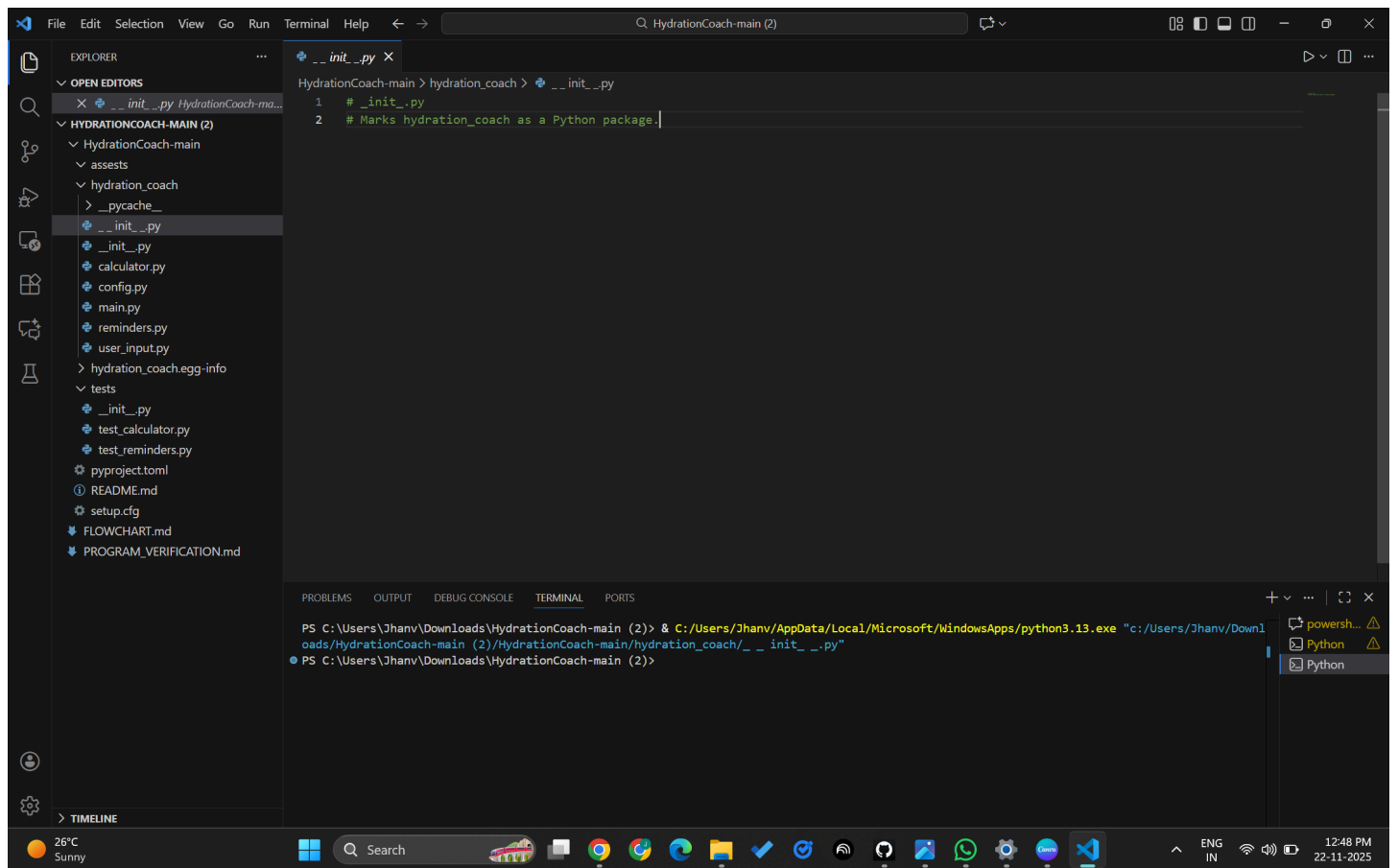
Tuple assignment in liters_and_ml().

Conditionals validate input.

Modules interact via imports

All functions tested.

9.SCREENSHOTS/RESULTS+FLOWCHART

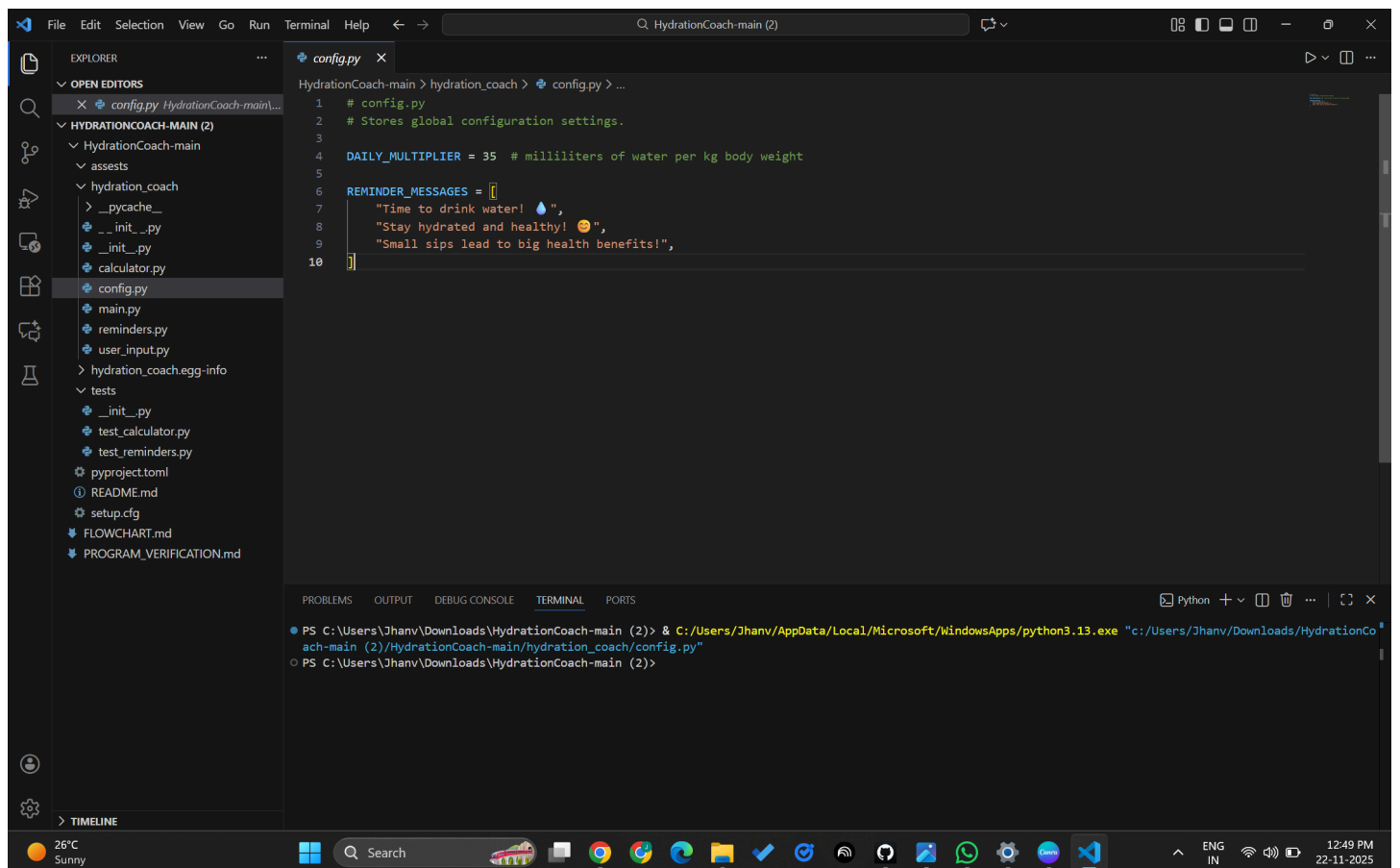


This screenshot shows the Visual Studio Code interface with the `__init__.py` file open in the editor. The Explorer sidebar on the left shows the project structure for `HydrationCoach-main`, including subdirectories `assests` and `hydration_coach`, and various Python files like `calculator.py`, `config.py`, `main.py`, `reminders.py`, `user_input.py`, and test files. The `__init__.py` file contains the following code:

```
1 # __init__.py
2 # Marks hydration_coach as a Python package.
```

The terminal at the bottom shows the command to run the Python file:

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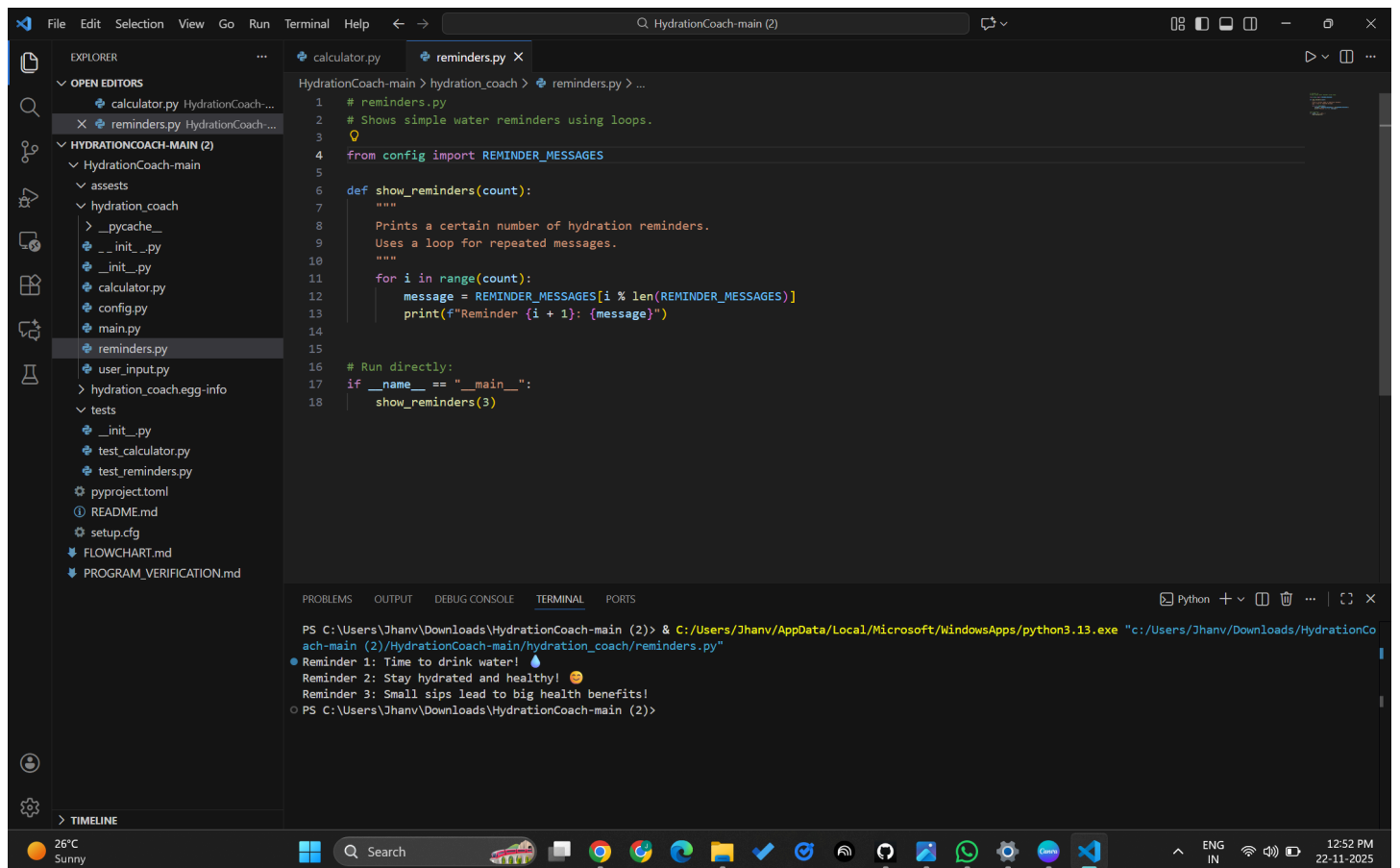
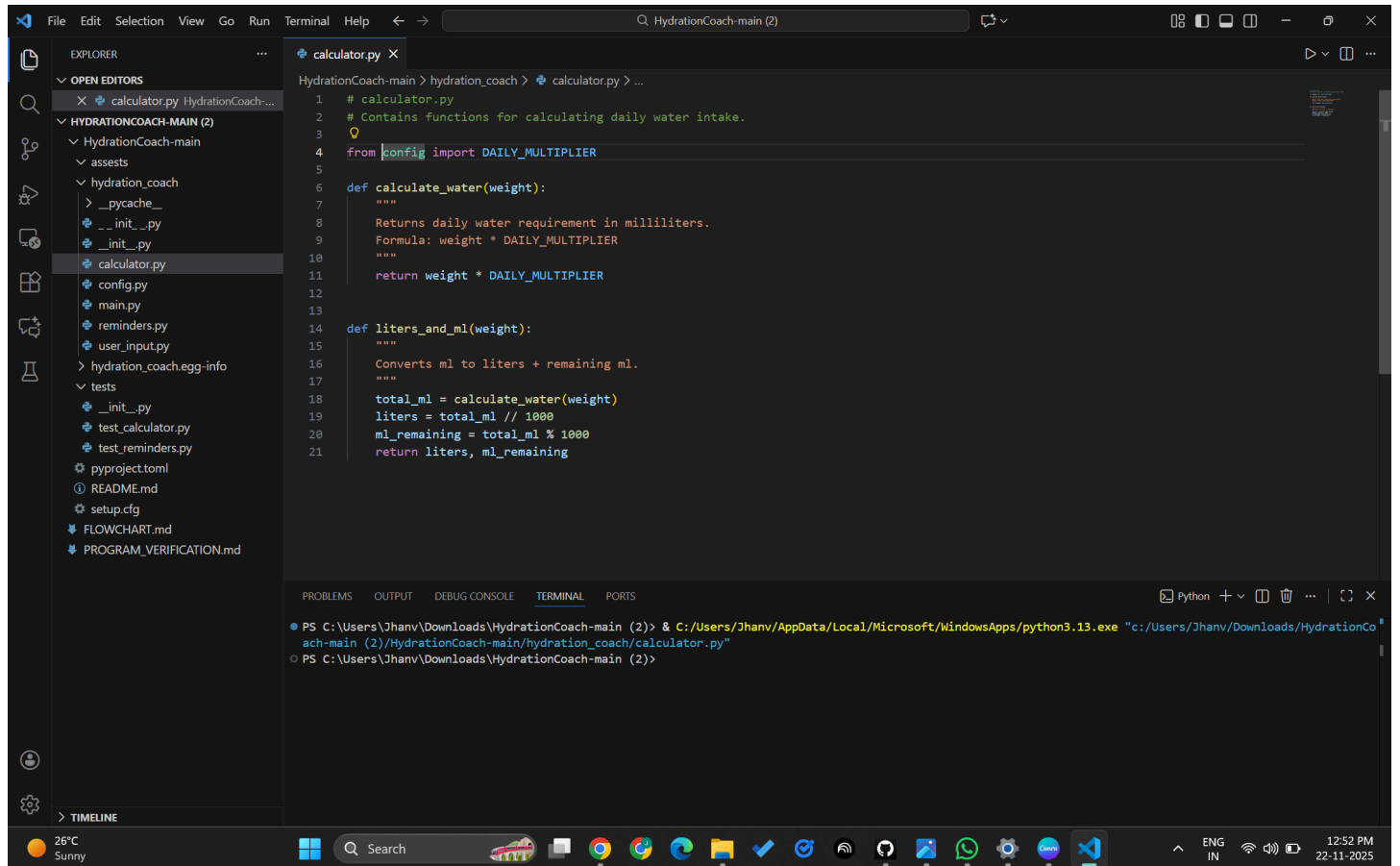


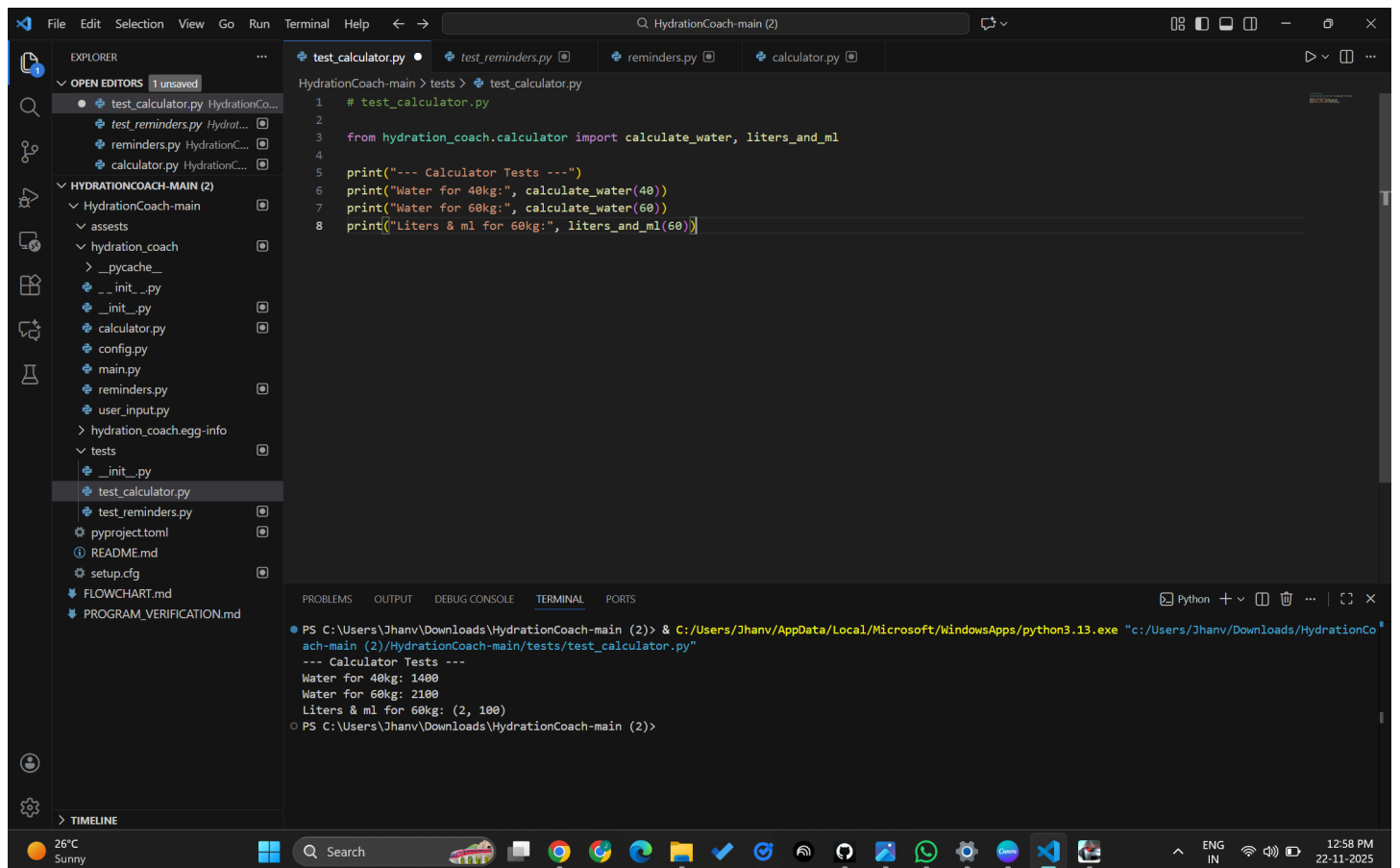
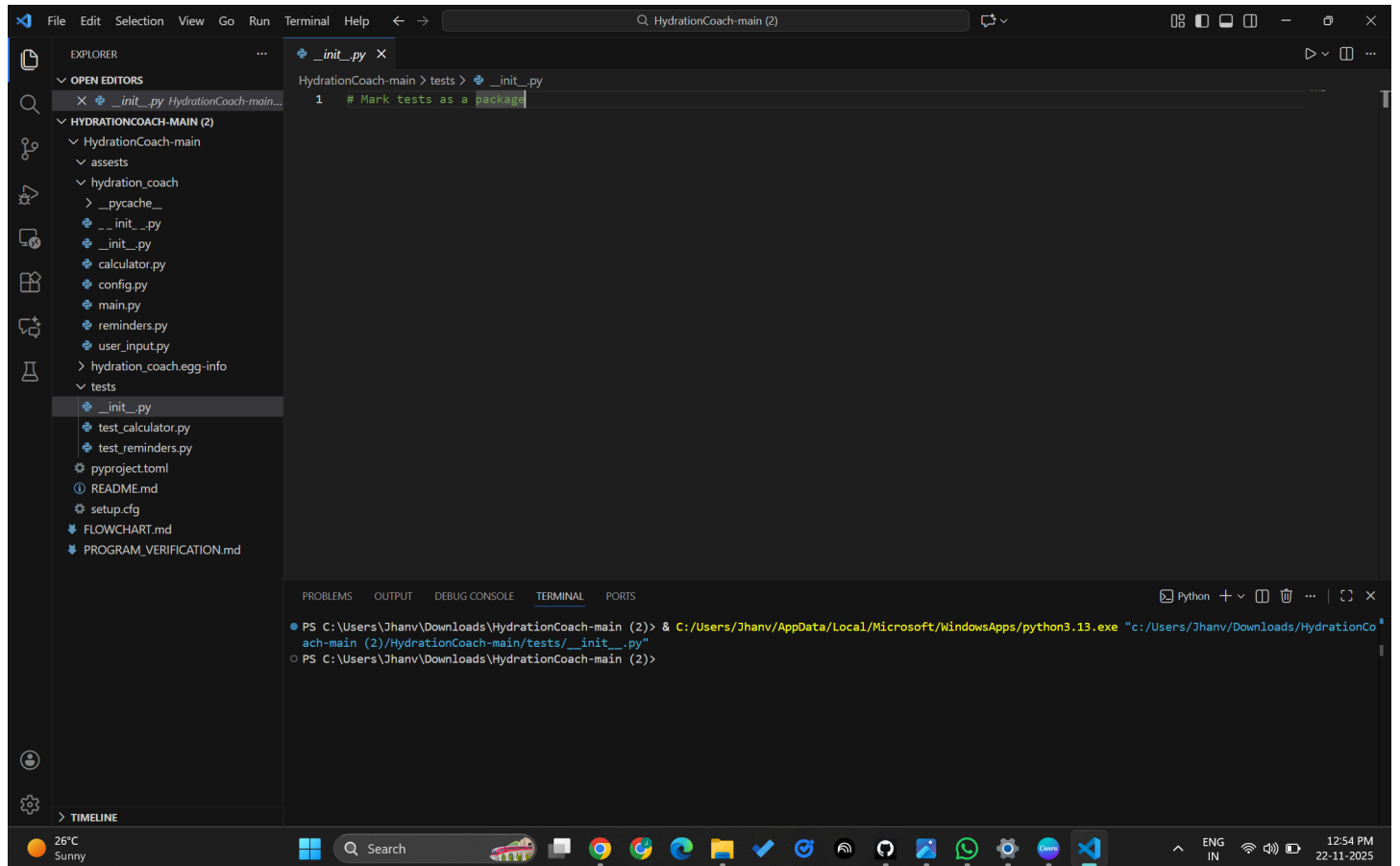
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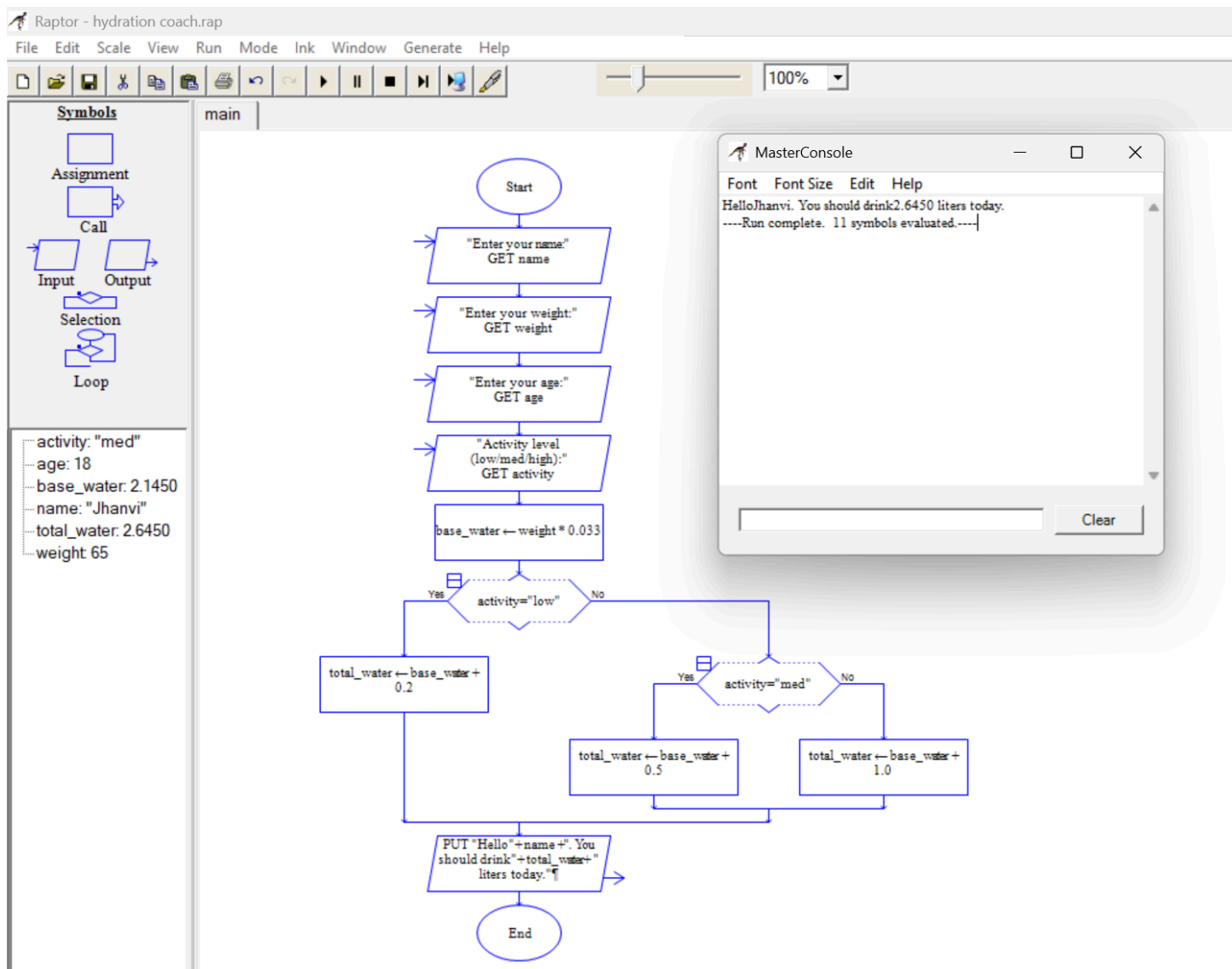
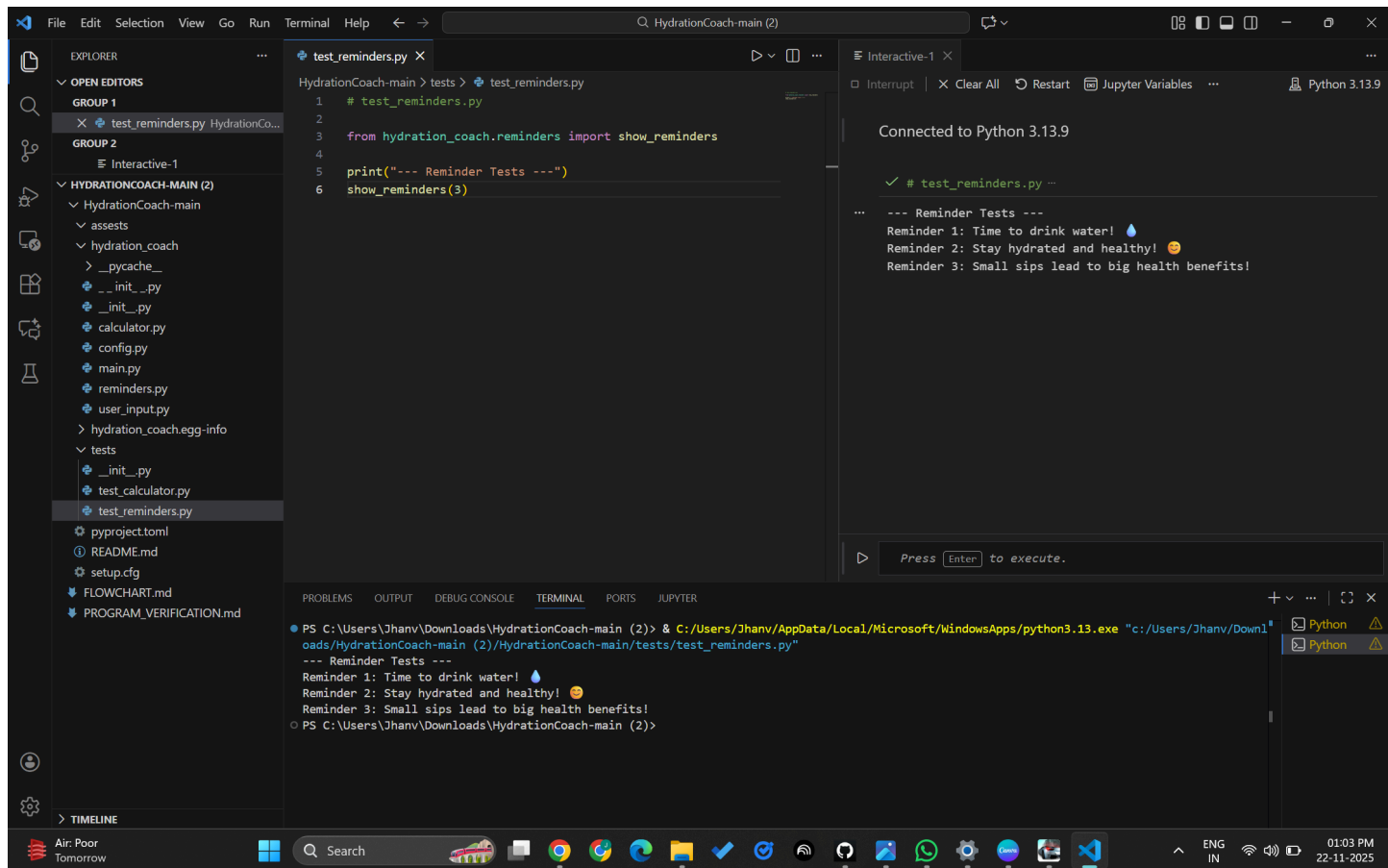
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1 # config.py
2 # Stores global configuration settings.
3
4 DAILY_MULTIPLIER = 35 # milliliters of water per kg body weight
5
6 REMINDER_MESSAGES = [
7     "Time to drink water! 💧",
8     "Stay hydrated and healthy! 😊",
9     "Small sips lead to big health benefits!",
10 ]
```

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10. TESTING APPROACH

Testing was conducted using two methods:

1. Manual Testing

Running main.py to verify correct flow of execution.

Checking console outputs for validity.

2. Functional Testing via Test Files

test_calculator.py tested:

Water calculation logic

Tuple output correctness

test_reminders.py tested:

Reminder formatting

Both test files were executed individually to check whether module imports and calculations worked correctly.

11. CHALLENGES FACED

- Module Import Errors: VS Code initially showed errors due to incorrect folder navigation.
- Package Structure Issues: Test files could not detect hydration_coach without correct directory structure.
- Google Colab Limitations: Colab required uploads and directory adjustments for modules to run.
- Name Error for _name: Incorrect use of _name caused runtime errors.

12. LEARNINGS & KEY TAKEAWAYS

- Learned how Python modules and packages work.
- Understood importance of `_init_.py` for package recognition.
- Practiced algorithm design, top-down design, and modular coding.
- Learned debugging skills for import paths.
- Understood how to run Python code in VS Code and Google Colab.
- Gained exposure to preparing documentation and flowcharts.

13. FUTURE ENHANCEMENTS

- Future improvements may include:
- Adding a graphical interface (Tkinter or Web App).
- Push notifications for reminders.
- User profiles stored in a database.
- Daily/weekly hydration analytics dashboard.
- Integration with fitness trackers.

14. REFERENCES

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