

AI ASSISTED CODING

Assignment-7.4

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Task 1: Debugging a Recursive Calculation Module

Scenario

You are maintaining a utility module in a software project that performs

mathematical computations. One function is meant to calculate the

factorial of a number, but users are reporting crashes or incorrect outputs.

Task Description

You are given a Python function intended to calculate the factorial of a

number using recursion, but it contains logical or syntactical errors (such

as a missing base condition or incorrect recursive call).

Faulty code:


```
C: > Users > malya > Ai > 🐞 Untitled-1.py > 📁 factorial
1  def factorial(n)
2  ✨ return n * factorial(n-1)
```

Output:

```
SyntaxError: expected ':'
PS C:\Users\nithe\OneDrive\Documents\python learning>
Ln 9, Col 1 Spaces: 4
```

Explanation:

SYNTAX ERROR TROUBLESHOOTING IN CODE
@workspace /explain Expected ":", Expected ":", Expected ":"
🔗 2.1.py:1-5

 **Workspace**
> Used 1 reference

I can see the syntax errors in your code. Python requires colons (:) at the end of function definitions, conditional statements, and other control structures. Here's the corrected version:

```
def factorial(n):
    if n == 0:
        return 1
    else:
        return n * factorial(n - 1)
```

What was wrong:

- def factorial(n) → missing : after the function definition
- if n == 0 → missing : after the condition
- else → missing : after the else statement

How it works:
This is a recursive function that calculates the factorial of a number. It uses the base case `n == 0` (which equals 1) and recursively multiplies `n` by the factorial of `n - 1` until it reaches zero.

Code after fixing:

```
C: > Users > malya > Ai > 📄 Untitled-1.py > 📄 factorial
1  def factorial(n):
2      if n <= 1:
3          return 1
4      return n * factorial(n-1)
5  number = int(input("Enter a number: "))
6  result = factorial(number)
7  print(f"Factorial of {number} is {result}")
```

Output:

```
PS C:\Users\malya> & c:/Users/malya/AppData/Local/Programs/Python/Python313/python.exe c:/Users/malya/Ai/Untitled-1.py
Enter a number: 7
Factorial of 7 is 5040
PS C:\Users\malya> █
```

Task 2: Fixing Data Type Errors in a Sorting Utility

Scenario

You are developing a data processing script that sorts user input values.

The program crashes when users enter mixed data types.

Task Description

You are provided with a list-sorting function that fails due to a

TypeError caused by mixed data types (e.g., integers and strings).

Faulty code:

```
2.1.py > ...
1  def sort_values(data):
2      return sorted(data)
3
4  values = [10, "5", 3, "20"]
5  print(sort_values(values))
6
7
8
9
10
11
```

Output:

```
TypeError: '<' not supported between instances of 'str' and 'int'
PS C:\Users\nithe\OneDrive\Documents\pthon learning> & C:/Users/nithe/AppData/Local/Python/pythoncore-3.14-64/python.exe
"c:/Users/nithe/OneDrive/Documents/pthon learning/2.1.py"
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "c:\Users\nithe\OneDrive\Documents\pthon learning\2.1.py", line 5, in <module>
    print(sort_values(values))
    ~~~~~~^~~~~~
  File "c:\Users\nithe\OneDrive\Documents\pthon learning\2.1.py", line 2, in sort_values
    return sorted(data)
TypeError: '<' not supported between instances of 'str' and 'int'
PS C:\Users\nithe\OneDrive\Documents\pthon learning> 
```

Code after fixing error:

```
def sort_values(data):  
    converted_data = list(map(int, data))  
    return sorted(converted_data)  
  
values = [10, "5", 3, "20"]  
print(sort_values(values))  
|
```

Output:

```
PS C:\Users\nithe\OneDrive\Documents\python learning> & C:/Users/nithe/AppData/Local/Python/pythoncore-3.14-64/python.exe  
"c:/Users/nithe/OneDrive/Documents/python learning/2.1.py"  
[3, 5, 10, 20]  
PS C:\Users\nithe\OneDrive\Documents\python learning> |
```

Explanation of code improvement:

The code has a bug. Here's what's happening:

```
data = [10, "5", 3, "20", 1]
```

```
print(sorted(data))
```

The Problem:

You're trying to sort a list that contains both integers and strings. In Python 3, you cannot compare integers with strings directly, so `sorted()` fails with a `TypeError`.

Why it fails:

- The list has: 10 (int), "5" (string), 3 (int), "20" (string), 1 (int)
- When sorting, Python tries to compare 10 with "5", but integers and strings aren't comparable

Task 3: Improving File Handling Reliability

Scenario

A backend script reads data from files regularly. Over time, the system

shows performance issues due to improper resource management.

Task Description

You are given a Python file-handling snippet that opens a file but does not explicitly close it.

Faulty code:

```
C: > Users > malya > Ai > Untitled-3.py > ...  
1  file = open("data.txt", "r")  
2  content = file.read()  
3  print(content)  
4  |
```

Output:

```
PS C:\Users\malya> & C:/Users/malya/AppData/Local/Programs/Python/Python313/python.exe c:/Users/malya/Ai/Untitled-3.py  
Traceback (most recent call last):  
  File "c:\Users\malya\Ai\Untitled-3.py", line 1, in <module>  
    file = open("data.txt", "r")  
FileNotFoundError: [Errno 2] No such file or directory: 'data.txt'
```

Code after fixing;

```
# Create sample data file if it doesn't exist
try:
    with open("data.txt", "w") as file:
        file.write("Hello, World!\nThis is sample data.\nFile handling in Python!")
except Exception as e:
    print(f"Error creating file: {e}")

# Read and display the file
try:
    with open("data.txt", "r") as file:
        content = file.read()
        print("File Content:")
        print(content)
except FileNotFoundError:
    print("Error: data.txt file not found!")
```

Output:

```
PS C:\Users\malya> & C:/Users/malya/AppData/Local/Programs/Python/Python313/python.exe c:/Users/malya/Ai/Untitled-3.py
File Content:
Hello, World!
This is sample data.
File handling in Python!
PS C:\Users\malya>
```

Task 4: Handling Runtime Errors Gracefully in Loops

Scenario

You are working on a data analysis script that processes a list of values.

Some values cause runtime errors, but the program should continue

processing remaining data.

Task Description

You are provided with a code snippet containing a `ZeroDivisionError` inside a loop.

Faulty code:

```
C: > Users > malya > Ai > Untitled-14py.py > ...
1  values = [10, 5, 0, 2]
2  for v in values:
3      print(10 / v)
4
```

Output:

```
PS C:\Users\malya> & C:/Users/malya/AppData/Local/Programs/Python/Python313/python.exe c:/Users/malya/Ai/Untitled-14py.py
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "c:\Users\malya\Ai\Untitled-14py.py", line 4, in <module>
    print(10 / v)
    ~~~~~
ZeroDivisionError: division by zero
```

Code after fixing error:

```
C: > Users > malya > Ai > Untitled-14py.py > ...
1  values = [10, 5, 0, 2]
2  for v in values:
3      try:
4          result = 10 / v
5          print(result)
6      except ZeroDivisionError:
7          print(f"Error: Cannot divide by {v}")
8
```


Output:

```
PS C:\Users\malya> & C:/Users/malya/AppData/Local/Programs/Python/Python313/python.exe c:/Users/malya/Ai/Untitled-14py.py
1.0
2.0
Error: Cannot divide by 0
5.0
PS C:\Users\malya>
```

Task 5: Debugging Class Initialization Errors

Scenario

A class written by a junior developer is throwing unexpected errors when objects are created or attributes are accessed.

Task Description

You are given a Python class with:

- Incorrect `__init__` parameters
- Missing or incorrect attribute references (e.g., missing `self`)

Faulty code:

C: > Users > malya > Ai > Untitled-5.py > ...

```
1 class Student:
2     def __init__(name, age):
3         self.name = name
4         self.age = age
5
6     def display():
7         print(name, age)
8
9 s = Student("Teja", 20)
10 s.display()
11
```

Output:

```
PS C:\Users\malya> & C:/Users/malya/AppData/Local/Programs/Python/Python313/python.exe c:/Users/malya/Ai/Untitled-5.py
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "c:\Users\malya\Ai\Untitled-5.py", line 9, in <module>
    s = Student("Teja", 20)
TypeError: Student.__init__() takes 2 positional arguments but 3 were given
PS C:\Users\malya>
```

Code after fixing error:

```
C: > Users > malya > Ai > Untitled-5.py > Student
1 class Student:
2     def __init__(self, name, age):
3         self.name = name
4         self.age = age
5
6     def display(self):
7         print(f"{self.name}, {self.age}")
8
9 s = Student("Teja", 20)
10 s.display()
11
```

Output:

```
PS C:\Users\malya> & C:/Users/malya/AppData/Local/Programs/Python/Python313/python.exe c:/Users/malya/AI/Untitled-5.py
Teja, 20
```