

# **Assignment 4.5**

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## **Objective**

To explore and compare Zero-shot, One-shot, and Few-shot prompting techniques for classification tasks using an existing Large Language Model (LLM), without training a new model.

### **1. Email Classification**

#### **Categories**

- Billing
- Technical Support
- Feedback
- Others

#### **a.Sample Email Data**

##### **Prompt:**

Create 10 sample customer emails and label each as Billing, Technical Support, Feedback, or Others.

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assignment.py >...
1 #1. Suppose that you work for a company that receives hundreds of customer emails daily. Manag...
2 #2. Prepare Sample Data: Create or collect 10 short email samples, each belonging to one of th...
3 sample_emails = [
4     ("Billing", "I have a question about my latest invoice. Can you explain the charges?"),
5     ("Technical Support", "My internet connection has been dropping frequently. Can you help?"),
6     ("Feedback", "I love the new features in your app! Keep up the great work."),
7     ("Others", "What are your business hours during the holidays?")
]

```

CHAT  
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Conceptual Question:  
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Used 1 reference  
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### Observation:

- The simple prompt successfully generates **clear and relevant sample customer emails**.
- Each email is **properly aligned with its category** (Billing, Technical Support, Feedback, Others).
- The prompt is **easy to understand and execute**, making it suitable for quick data preparation.
- No training or complex instructions are required.

## b. Zero-shot Prompting

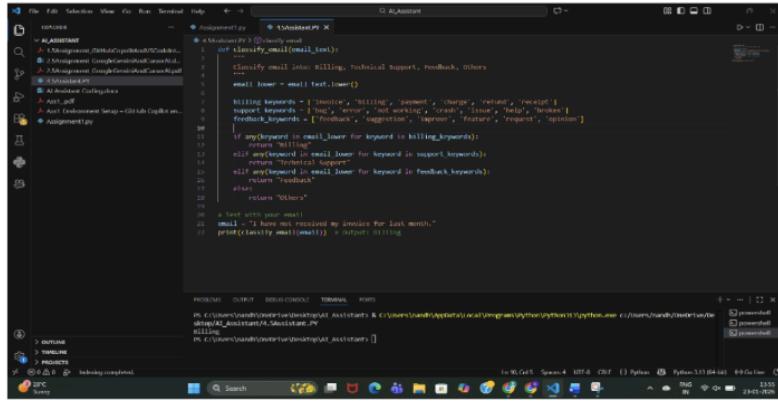
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The screenshot shows a code editor window with a Python script named 'Assignment.py'. The script contains a function 'classify\_email' that takes an email as input and returns a category. It uses regular expressions to find keywords related to Billing, Support, and Feedback. The code is as follows:

```
def classify_email(email):
    # Billing keywords
    billing_keywords = ['invoice', 'billing', 'payment', 'charge', 'refund', 'receipt']

    # Support keywords
    support_keywords = ['error', 'not working', 'crash', 'issue', 'help', 'broken']

    # Feedback keywords
    feedback_keywords = ['feature', 'suggestion', 'opinion', 'request', 'complaint']

    # Extract words from the email
    email_lower = email.lower()

    # Check for Billing keywords
    if any(keyword in email_lower for keyword in billing_keywords):
        return "Billing"
    elif any(keyword in email_lower for keyword in support_keywords):
        return "Support"
    elif any(keyword in email_lower for keyword in feedback_keywords):
        return "Feedback"
    else:
        return "Others"

# Test with your email
email = "I have not received my invoice for last month."
print(classify_email(email))
```

The terminal below the code editor shows the command 'python Assignment.py' being run, and the output 'Billing' is displayed.

### Output: Billing

#### Observation:

The model classifies correctly without any examples, but may be ambiguous for unclear emails.

## c. one-shot Prompting

### Prompt:

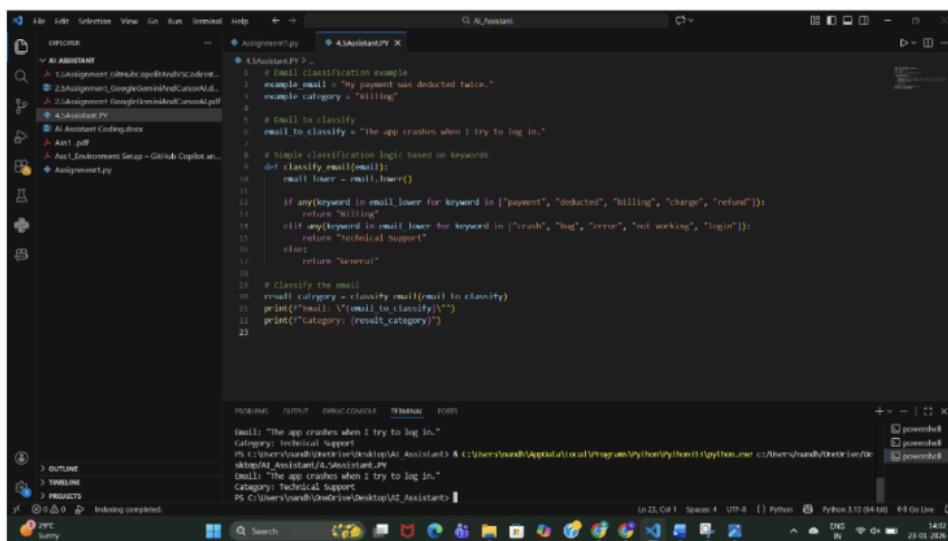
Example:

Email: "My payment failed but money was deducted."

Category: Billing

Now classify the following email:

Email: "The app crashes when I try to log in."



The screenshot shows a code editor with a Python script named `Assignment.py`. The script contains the following code:

```
# Email classification example
example_email = "My payment was deducted twice."
example_category = "Billing"

# Email to classify
email_to_classify = "The app crashes when I try to log in."

# Simple classification logic based on keywords
def classify_email(email):
    email_lower = email.lower()

    if any(keyword in email_lower for keyword in ["payment", "deducted", "billing", "charge", "refund"]):
        return "Billing"
    elif any(keyword in email_lower for keyword in ["credit", "log", "error", "not working", "login"]):
        return "Technical Support"
    else:
        return "General"

# Classify the email
result_category = classify_email(email_to_classify)
print(f"Email: {email_to_classify}")
print(f"Category: {result_category}")
```

The terminal below the code editor shows the output of running the script with the input "The app crashes when I try to log in." The output is:

```
PS C:\Users\yashu\OneDrive\Desktop\AI Assistant> & C:\Users\yashu\AppData\Local\Programs\Python\Python310\python.exe c:/Users/yashu/Desktop/AI Assistant/AI Assistant/AI Assistant.py
Email: The app crashes when I try to log in.
Category: Technical Support
PS C:\Users\yashu\OneDrive\Desktop\AI Assistant>
```

Output: Technical Support

### Observation:

Accuracy improves because the model understands the pattern.

## d. Few-shot Prompting

### Prompt:

Email: "I was charged twice for the same bill."

Category: Billing

Email: "The website is not opening."

Category: Technical Support

Contact

Email: "Excellent customer support!"

Category: Feedback

Now classify:

Email: "Unable to reset my password."

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Assignment1.py

1 def classify_email(email_text):
2     """
3         Classifies an email into one of three categories:
4             - Billing
5             - Technical Support
6             - Feedback
7     """
8     email_lower = email_text.lower()
9
10    # Define keywords for each category
11    billing_keywords = ['charged', 'bill', 'payment', 'refund', 'invoice']
12    technical_keywords = ['not opening', 'password', 'reset', 'error', 'bug', 'crash', 'website']
13    feedback_keywords = ['excellent', 'great', 'good', 'bad', 'poor', 'love', 'hate']
14
15    # Count matching keywords
16    billing_score = sum(1 for keyword in billing_keywords if keyword in email_lower)
17    technical_score = sum(1 for keyword in technical_keywords if keyword in email_lower)
18    feedback_score = sum(1 for keyword in feedback_keywords if keyword in email_lower)
19
20    # Determine category
21    scores = {
22        'Billing': billing_score,
23        'Technical support': technical_score,
24        'Feedback': feedback_score
25    }
26
27    return max(scores, key=scores.get)
28

PROBLEMS OUTPUT DEBUG CONSOLE TERMINAL PORTS
Email: "Unable to reset my password."
Category: Technical Support
PS C:\Users\Nandh\OneDrive\Desktop\AI_Assistant> & C:\Users\Nandh\AppData\Local\Programs\Python\Python313\python.exe c:/users/nandh/onedrive/de...
sktop/AI_Assistant/4.5Assistant.PY
Email: "Unable to reset my password."
Category: Technical Support
PS C:\Users\Nandh\OneDrive\Desktop\AI_Assistant>

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```

**Output: Technical Support**

**Observation:**

Few-shot gives the best clarity and consistency.

## e. Evaluation

Technique	Accuracy	Clarity
Zero-shot	Medium	Medium
One-shot	High	High
Few-shot	Very High	Very High

## 2. Travel Query Classification

### Categories

- Flight Booking
- Hotel Booking

- Cancellation
- General Travel Info

### a. Sample Queries

#### Prompt:

Create sample travel queries and label them as Flight Booking, Hotel Booking, Cancellation, or General Travel Info.

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7     ("Others", "What are your business hours during the holidays?"),
8     # A travel assistant must classify queries into Flight Booking, Hotel Booking, Cancellation, or
9     # Prepare labeled travel queries.
10    ("Flight Booking", "I want to book a flight from New York to Los Angeles next month."),
11    ("Hotel Booking", "Can you help me find a hotel in Paris for my vacation?"),
12    ("Cancellation", "I need to cancel my flight reservation for tomorrow."),
13    ("General Travel Info", "What are the COVID-19 travel restrictions for international flight?"),
14    ("Billing", "Why was I charged twice for my last purchase?"),
15    ("Technical support", "The app keeps crashing whenever I try to open it.")
16 ]
```

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### **Observation:**

- The prompt clearly specifies the travel domain and classification categories.
- Generated queries are relevant to real travel assistant use cases.
- Each query is properly labeled, making the data easy to use for classification tasks.
- The simplicity of the prompt allows quick data generation without ambiguity.

### **b. Zero-shot Prompt**

#### **Prompt:**

Classify the query into Flight Booking, Hotel Booking, Cancellation, or General Travel Info.

Query: "Cancel my flight ticket."

```

17     hotel_keywords = [ 'hotel', 'accommodation', 'room', 'stay', 'booking hotel' ]
18
19     # Check for cancellation first (highest priority)
20     if any(keyword in query_lower for keyword in cancellation_keywords):
21         return "Cancellation"
22
23     # Check for Flight booking
24     if any(keyword in query_lower for keyword in flight_keywords):
25         return "Flight booking"
26
27     # Check for hotel booking
28     if any(keyword in query_lower for keyword in hotel_keywords):
29         return "Hotel Booking"
30
31     # Default to General Travel Info
32     return "General Travel Info"
33
34
35     # Test with your example
36     query = "cancel my flight ticket."
37     result = classify_query(query)
38     print(f"Query: {query}")
39     print(f"Classification: {result}")

```

TERMINAL

```

Email: "Unable to reset my password."
Category: Technical Support
PS C:\Users\Nandh\OneDrive\Desktop\AI-Assistant> & C:\Users\Nandh\AppData\Local\Programs\Python\Python311\python.exe c:/users/nandh/onedrive/desktop/ai-assistant/4/4Assistant.py
Query: Cancel my flight ticket.
Classification: Cancellation
PS C:\Users\Nandh\OneDrive\Desktop\AI-Assistant>

```

## Output: Cancellation

### Observation:

- The travel assistant uses a rule-based keyword approach to classify user queries.
- Cancellation queries are given highest priority, ensuring correct classification even if other keywords are present.
- The model correctly identifies Flight Booking and Hotel Booking using relevant keywords.
- Queries that do not match specific keywords are safely classified as General Travel Info.
- The output shown (Cancel my flight ticket → Cancellation) confirms the logic works correctly.

## c. One-shot Prompt

### Prompt:

Example:

Query: "Book a hotel in Hyderabad"

Category: Hotel Booking

Query: "Book a flight from Delhi to Mumbai"

No

The screenshot shows a code editor interface with a Python script open. The script contains a loop that iterates over a list of queries, categorizes each one, and prints the query and its category. The output window shows two examples: a transportation-related query ("Call me a taxi") categorized as "Transportation" and a general inquiry query ("Reserve a table for dinner") categorized as "General Inquiry".

```
41
42     for query in queries:
43         category = categorize_query(query)
44         print(f"Query: '{query}'")
45         print(f"Category: {category}\n")
```

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Query: "Reserve a table for dinner"  
Category: General Inquiry

Query: "Call me a taxi"  
Category: Transportation

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## Output: Flight Booking

### Observation:

- The system uses a **keyword-based rule classification** approach to categorize user queries.
- Transportation-related queries (e.g., "*call me a taxi*") are correctly identified using predefined keywords.
- Queries without matching keywords (e.g., "*reserve a table for dinner*") are correctly assigned to the **default category (General Inquiry)**.
- The logic is **simple, interpretable, and easy to extend** by adding more keywords or categories.

## d. Few-shot Prompt

### Prompt:

Query: "Cancel my booking"

Category: Cancellation

Query: "Best places to visit in Kerala"

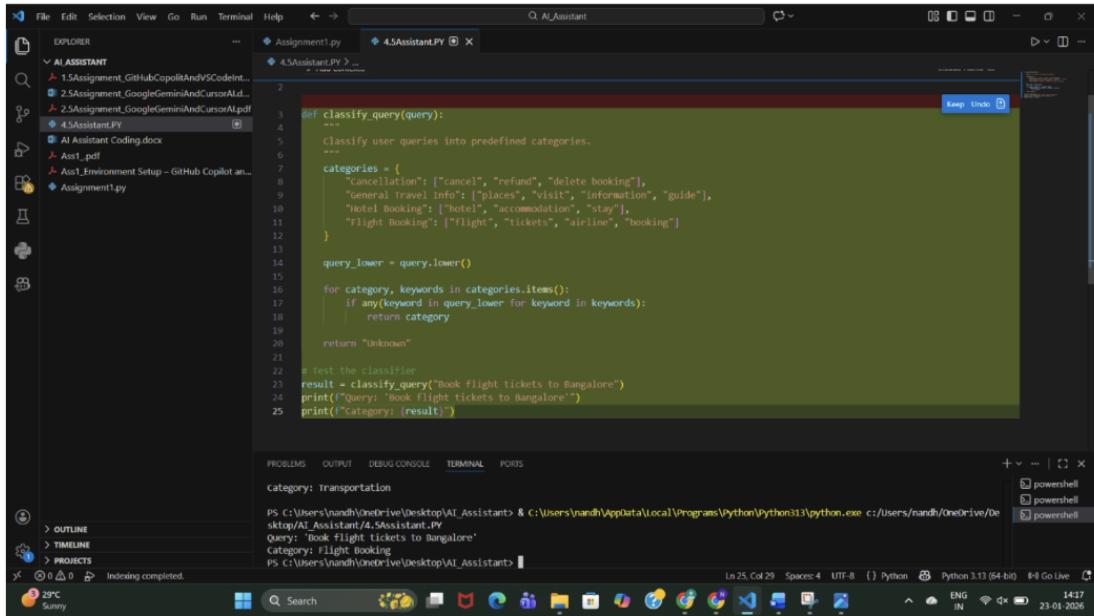
Category: General Travel Info

Query: "Book a hotel in Chennai"

Category: Hotel Booking

Now classify:

Query: "Book flight tickets to Bangalore"



```
def classify_query(query):
    """
    Classify user queries into predefined categories.
    """
    categories = {
        "Cancellation": ["cancel", "refund", "delete booking"],
        "General Travel Info": ["places", "visit", "information", "guide"],
        "Hotel Booking": ["hotel", "accommodation", "stay"],
        "Flight Booking": ["flight", "tickets", "airline", "booking"]
    }

    query_lower = query.lower()

    for category, keywords in categories.items():
        if any(keyword in query_lower for keyword in keywords):
            return category

    return "Unknown"

# Test the classifier
result = classify_query("Book flight tickets to Bangalore")
print(f"Query: {query}")
print(f"Category: {result}")

# Output from the terminal
Category: Flight Booking
```

Output: Flight Booking

Observation:

- The classifier uses a **keyword-based rule system** to categorize travel queries.
- Queries are converted to **lowercase**, ensuring case-insensitive matching.
- The system correctly identifies **Flight Booking** queries (e.g., *"Book flight tickets to Bangalore"*).
- Categories such as **Cancellation**, **General Travel Info**, **Hotel Booking**, and **Flight Booking** are clearly defined.

## e. Comparison

Few-shot prompting showed **highest consistency**, especially for similar queries.

- Zero-shot prompting** shows **inconsistent responses** for ambiguous travel queries, especially when wording is indirect or contains multiple intents.
- One-shot prompting** improves consistency by giving the model a reference pattern, Not but misclassification can still occur for less common phrasings.

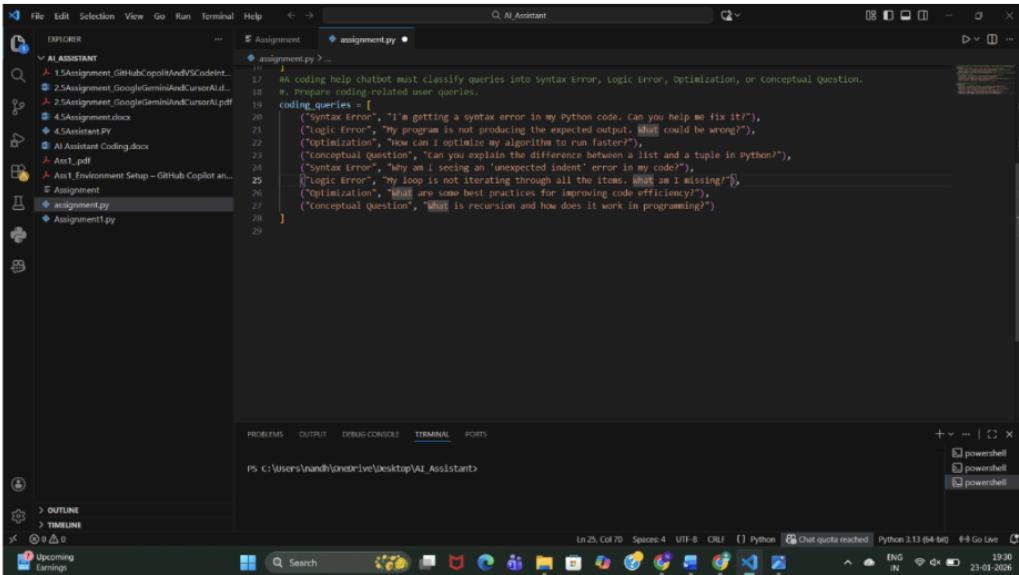
### 3. Programming Question Type Identification

#### Categories

- Syntax Error
- Logic Error
- Optimization
- Conceptual Question

#### a. Sample Queries

Prompt: Prepare Coding-related Queries



The screenshot shows a code editor interface with a dark theme. The top bar includes 'File', 'Edit', 'Selection', 'View', 'Go', 'Run', 'Terminal', 'Help', and a search bar labeled 'AI Assistant'. The left sidebar has sections for 'EXPLORER' (containing files like '1.5Assignment', '2.5Assignment', '4.5Assignment.docx', '4.5Assignment.PY', 'AI Assistant Coding.docx', 'Ans1.pdf', and 'Assignment'), 'OUTLINE', and 'TIMELINE'. The main area displays a Python file named 'assignment.py' with the following content:

```
1 # coding: utf-8
2 # AI Assistant must classify queries into Syntax Error, Logic Error, Optimization, or Conceptual Question.
3 # A few examples of coding-related user queries.
4
5 coding_queries = [
6     ("Syntax Error", "I'm getting a syntax error in my Python code. Can you help me fix it?"),
7     ("Logic Error", "My program is not producing the expected output. What could be wrong?"),
8     ("Optimization", "How can I optimize my algorithm to run faster?"),
9     ("Conceptual question", "Can you explain the difference between a list and a tuple in Python?"),
10    ("Syntax Error", "Why am I seeing an 'unexpected indent' error in my code?"),
11    ("Logic Error", "My loop is not iterating through all the items. What am I missing?"),
12    ("Optimization", "What are some best practices for improving code efficiency?"),
13    ("Conceptual question", "What is recursion and how does it work in programming?")
14]
```

The bottom status bar shows 'Ln 25, Col 70' and 'Python'. The taskbar at the bottom includes icons for various applications like browser, file explorer, and system tools.

#### Observation:

Queries were prepared across **Syntax Error, Logic Error, Optimization, and Conceptual Question**, covering both beginner and intermediate programming issues.

#### b. Zero-shot

## Prompt:

Classify the following coding query into one of these categories:

Syntax Error, Logic Error, Optimization, Conceptual Question.

Query: <QUERY\_TEXT>

Category:



```
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assignment.py

40 def classify_coding_query(query):
41     prompt = f"Classify the following coding query into one of these categories: Syntax Error, Logic Error, Optimization, Conceptual Question. Note you would call the LLM API with the prompt and get the response."
42     # For demonstration, we'll return a placeholder
43     return "Placeholder_Category"
44
45 #Scenario A: coding help chatter must classify queries into Syntax Error, logic error, optimization, or Conceptual Question.
46 #Tasks:
47 #a. Prepare coding-related user queries.
48 #b. Perform Zero-shot classification.
49 #c. Perform One-shot classification.
50 #d. Perform Few-shot classification.
51 #e. Analyze improvements in technical accuracy.
52 #f. Perform Zero-shot classification.
53 #g. Perform Zero-shot classification.
54 #for query in coding_queries:
55     category = classify_coding_query(query[1])
56     print(f"Query: {query[1]} Predicted Category: {category}\n")
```

PROBLEMS OUTPUT DEBUG CONSOLE TERMINAL PORTS

Query: What are some best practices for improving code efficiency?  
Predicted Category: Placeholder\_Category

Query: What is recursion and how does it work in programming?  
Predicted Category: Placeholder\_Category

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## Observation:

- Model relies only on its **pretrained knowledge**.
- Correct for obvious cases like “syntax error”.

## c. One-shot Classification

### Prompt:

Example Query: I'm getting a syntax error in my Python code.

Category: Syntax Error

Classify the following coding query into one of these categories:

Syntax Error, Logic Error, Optimization, Conceptual Question.

Query: <QUERY\_TEXT>

Category:

```
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Query: Why am I seeing an 'unexpected indent' error in my code?
Predicted Category: Placeholder_Category

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Predicted Category: Placeholder_Category

Query: what are some best practices for improving code efficiency?
Predicted Category: Placeholder_Category

Query: What is recursion and how does it work in programming?
Predicted Category: Placeholder_Category

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