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Lab 5: Ethical Foundations – Responsible AI Coding Practices

Task Description #1:: (Privacy in API Usage)

Task: An application needs to fetch weather information from an online API. To prevent misuse, the API key must not be exposed directly in the source code.

Scenario:

An application needs to store user details such as name, email, and password in a file. To protect sensitive information, the password must be stored securely instead of plain text.

Prompt:

"Generate code to fetch weather data securely without exposing API keys in the code."

Expected Output:

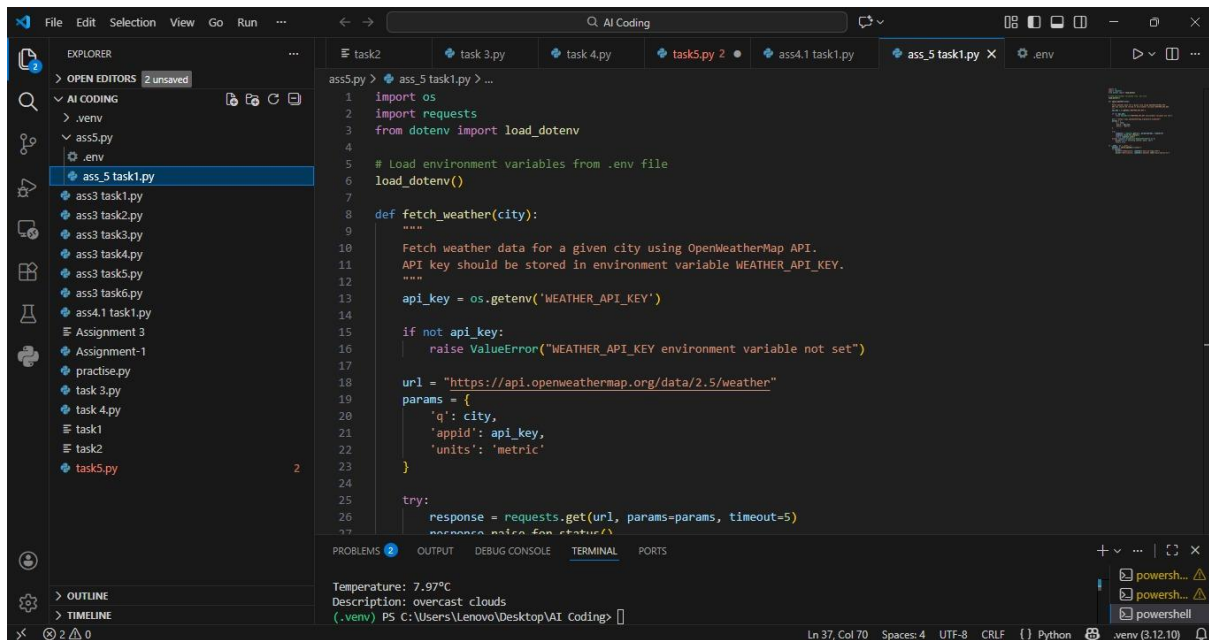
Enter city name: Hyderabad

Sample Output:

```
{'weather': [{'main': 'Clear'}], 'main': {'temp': 303.15}}
```

Explanation : The API key is taken from an environment variable instead of writing it in the code

This helps accidental exposure and improves security while accessing the weather API



Task Description #2 – Privacy & Security in File Handling

Task / Scenario

An application needs to store user details such as name, email, and password in a file.

Since passwords are sensitive information, storing them directly can cause security risks.

Prompt Used:

Generate a Python script to store user details and modify it to store passwords securely using hashing instead of plain text.

Sample Input:

Enter name: Sushmitha

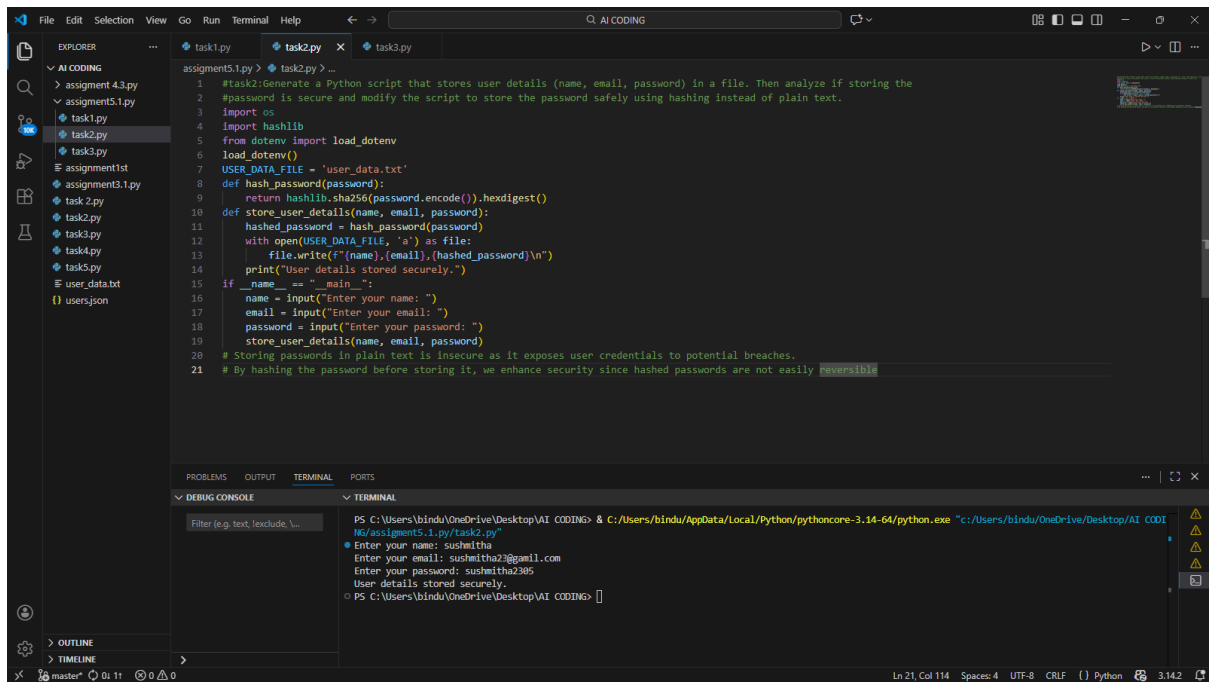
Enter email: sushmitha23@gmail.com

Enter password: sushmitha2305

Sample Output :

Sushmitha,sushmitha@gmail.com,mypass123

Explanation : Instead of saving the password directly, it is converted into a hash
This ensures the real password cannot be read even if the file is accessed



Task Description #3 – Transparency in Algorithm Design

Task / Scenario:

A program is required to check whether a given number is an Armstrong number.

The logic should be clear and understandable to ensure transparency.

Prompt Used:

Generate an Armstrong number checking function with comments and explain the code line by line.

Sample Input

153

370

9474

123

Sample Output

True

True

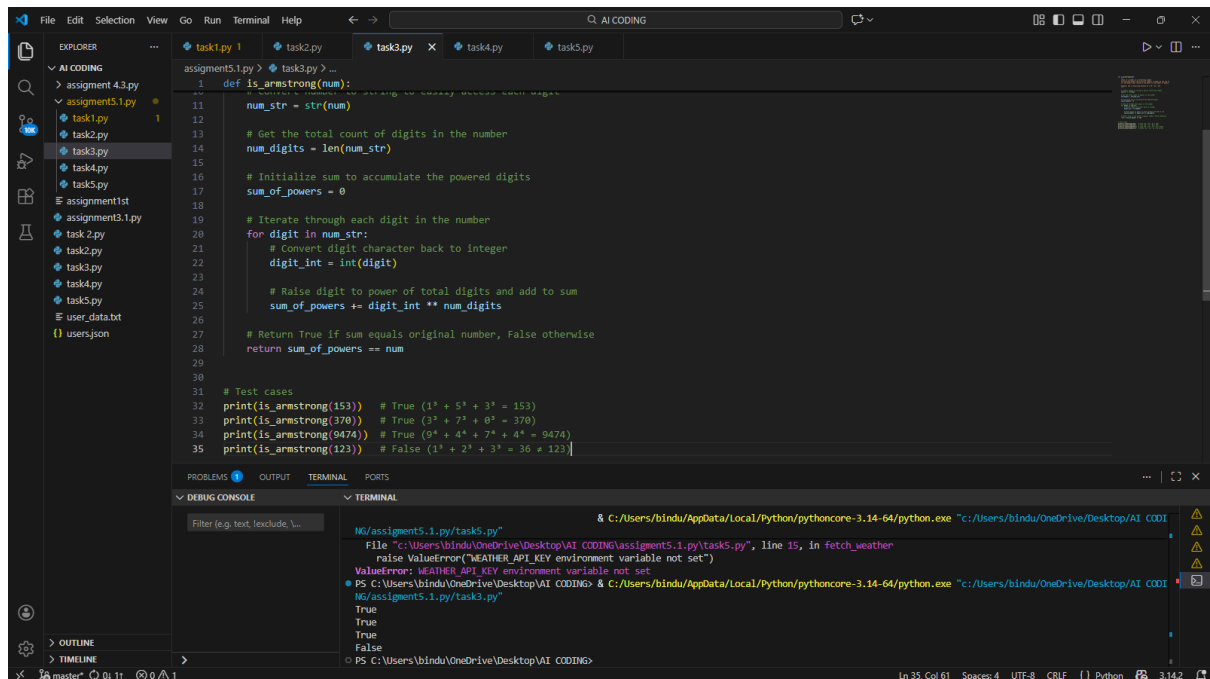
True

False

Explanation: The program converts the number into digits and counts how many digits it has.

Each digit is raised to the power of the total digit count and added together.

If the final sum matches the original number, it is identified as an Armstrong number.



```
def is_armstrong(num):
    num_str = str(num)
    num_digits = len(num_str)
    sum_of_powers = 0
    for digit in num_str:
        digit_int = int(digit)
        sum_of_powers += digit_int ** num_digits
    return sum_of_powers == num

# Test cases
print(is_armstrong(153))  # True (1^3 + 5^3 + 3^3 = 153)
print(is_armstrong(370))  # True (3^3 + 7^3 + 0^3 = 370)
print(is_armstrong(9474)) # True (9^4 + 4^4 + 7^4 + 4^4 = 9474)
print(is_armstrong(123))  # False (1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 = 36 != 123)
```

Terminal Output:

```
& C:/Users/bindu/AppData/Local/Python/pythoncore-3.14-64/python.exe "C:/Users/bindu/OneDrive/Desktop/AI CODING/assignment5.1.py/task5.py"
File "C:/Users/bindu/OneDrive/Desktop/AI CODING/assignment5.1.py/task5.py", line 15, in fetch_weather
    raise ValueError("WEATHER_API_KEY environment variable not set")
ValueError: WEATHER_API_KEY environment variable not set
PS C:/Users/bindu/OneDrive/Desktop/AI CODING> & C:/Users/bindu/AppData/Local/Python/pythoncore-3.14-64/python.exe "C:/Users/bindu/OneDrive/Desktop/AI CODING/assignment5.1.py/task3.py"
True
True
True
False
PS C:/Users/bindu/OneDrive/Desktop/AI CODING>
```

Task Description #4 – Transparency in Algorithm Comparison

Task / Scenario

Sorting is a common operation in many applications.

Different sorting algorithms have different performance and efficiency.

This task compares Bubble Sort and Quick Sort to understand their working and differences

Prompt Used

Generate Python code for Bubble Sort and Quick Sort with step-by-step comments and compare their logic and efficiency

Sample Input:

[64, 34, 25, 12, 22, 11, 90]

Sample Output

Original array: [64, 34, 25, 12, 22, 11, 90]

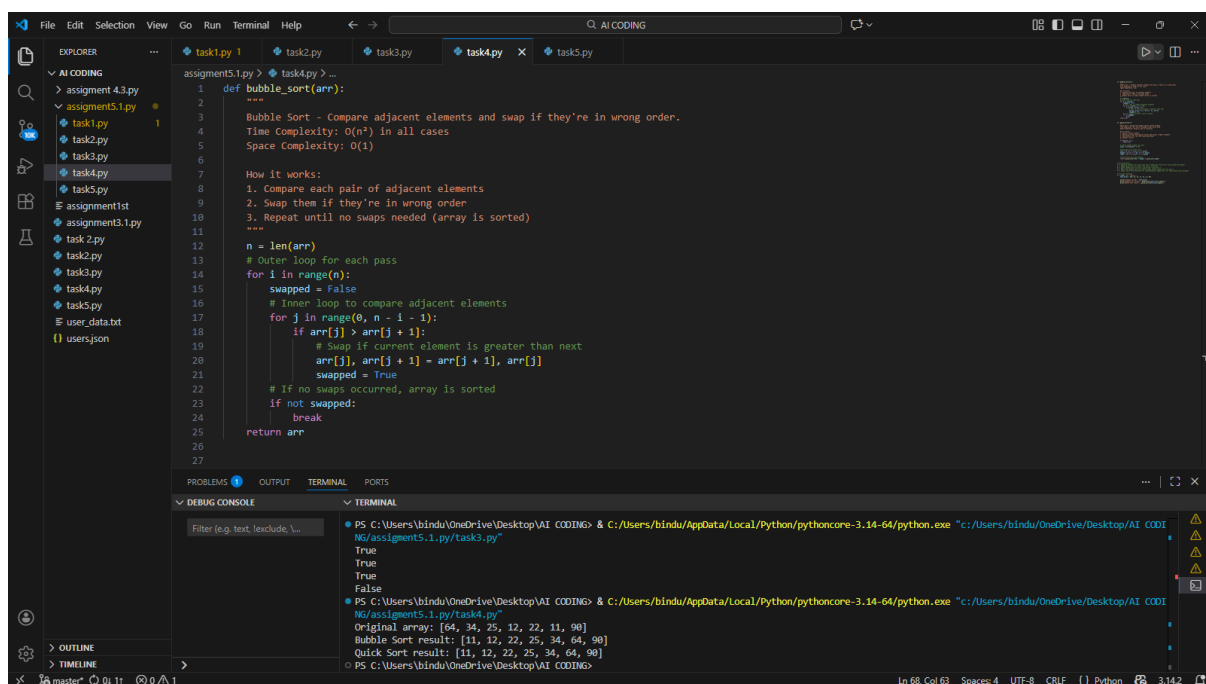
Bubble Sort result: [11, 12, 22, 25, 34, 64, 90]

Quick Sort result: [11, 12, 22, 25, 34, 64, 90]

Explanation:

Bubble Sort works by repeatedly comparing adjacent elements and swapping them until the list is sorted, which makes it slow for large data.

Quick Sort works by selecting a pivot element, dividing the list into smaller parts, and sorting them recursively, making it faster and more efficient.



The screenshot shows a VS Code editor with a Python file named `task4.py` containing a `bubble_sort` function. The function takes an array `arr` and sorts it using the bubble sort algorithm. The code includes comments explaining the algorithm's time complexity ($O(n^2)$) and space complexity ($O(1)$), and a list of steps: 1. Compare each pair of adjacent elements, 2. Swap them if they're in wrong order, 3. Repeat until no swaps needed (array is sorted).

```
1 def bubble_sort(arr):
2     """
3     Bubble Sort - Compare adjacent elements and swap if they're in wrong order.
4     Time Complexity:  $O(n^2)$  in all cases
5     Space Complexity:  $O(1)$ 
6
7     How it works:
8     1. Compare each pair of adjacent elements
9     2. Swap them if they're in wrong order
10    3. Repeat until no swaps needed (array is sorted)
11    """
12    n = len(arr)
13    # Outer loop for each pass
14    for i in range(n):
15        swapped = False
16        # Inner loop to compare adjacent elements
17        for j in range(0, n - i - 1):
18            if arr[j] > arr[j + 1]:
19                # Swap if current element is greater than next
20                arr[j], arr[j + 1] = arr[j + 1], arr[j]
21                swapped = True
22        # If no swaps occurred, array is sorted
23        if not swapped:
24            break
25    return arr
```

The terminal output shows the execution of the script, displaying the original array, the bubble sort result, and the quick sort result, all of which are [11, 12, 22, 25, 34, 64, 90].

```
PS C:\Users\bindu\OneDrive\Desktop\AI CODING> & C:/Users/bindu/AppData/Local/Python/pythoncore-3.14-64/python.exe "c:/Users/bindu/OneDrive/Desktop/AI CODING/assignment5.1.py/task4.py"
True
True
True
False
PS C:\Users\bindu\OneDrive\Desktop\AI CODING>
Original array: [64, 34, 25, 12, 22, 11, 90]
Bubble Sort result: [11, 12, 22, 25, 34, 64, 90]
Quick Sort result: [11, 12, 22, 25, 34, 64, 90]
PS C:\Users\bindu\OneDrive\Desktop\AI CODING>
```

Task Description #5 – Transparency in AI Recommendations

Task / Scenario

A recommendation system is used to suggest items based on user preferences.

To ensure transparency, the system should also explain why a particular recommendation is made.

Prompt Used

Generate a simple Python-based recommendation system that provides recommendations along with clear reasons for each suggestion.

Sample Input

Enter your favorite genre: Action

Sample Output

Recommended: Mad Max because you like Action movies

Recommended: Avengers because you like Action movies

Explanation

The system checks the user's preferred genre and matches it with a predefined list of movies.

Each recommendation includes a reason, making the system transparent and easy to understand.

