

### ***Documentation:***

Given the challenge of timing an API call once a minute for an hour, I thought the best way to implement this was to separate the processes for timing and api calls separately to be the most efficient when testing. I first created a for loop to iterate 60 times and make the API call to test my ability to save the data into the local db that I created before then adding in the functionality to make a call once a minute. Afterwards, I added a print statement to verify the calls being made and also to verify that they were being made at the right time. Finally, in order to analyze the data in the db I made a loop to plot every column against the timestamp (excluding timestamp itself) before I realized that timestamp vs time would be an increasing linear plot (obviously) so I excluded that and was able to arrive at my conclusions based on the plots.

### ***Verification techniques:***

I utilized two strategies to verify 60 API calls and correct timing. The first method being a simple `df.describe()` which allowed me to see a few statistics about the data frame:

	factor	pi	timestamp
count	60.000000	60.000000	60
mean	52215.016667	3.168573	2024-05-08 01:10:58.772127488
min	1.000000	3.017072	2024-05-08 00:41:28.754646
25%	3217.250000	3.141561	2024-05-08 00:56:14.070393856
50%	25694.500000	3.141598	2024-05-08 01:10:58.651776512
75%	86669.250000	3.141636	2024-05-08 01:25:43.646733312
max	205379.000000	4.000000	2024-05-08 01:40:28.823347
std	60138.943290	0.156621	NaN

The first insight was that there were indeed 60 values in the db indicating that I had made the correct number of calls properly, the second was that the value of pi was fluctuating from 3.01 to 4, which is a bit interesting when considering it is the value of a ratio which does not change. I also was able to see that “factor” was a value between 1 and 205379 and made an inference that it was directly proportional to the value of pi or somewhat correlated to the time at which the data point was collected.

Next to verify that the timing of the calls were correct I took a look at the log generated by my API call function which contained: `print(f'Data stored at {datetime.now()}')`

(Screenshot on next page and in 2 parts)

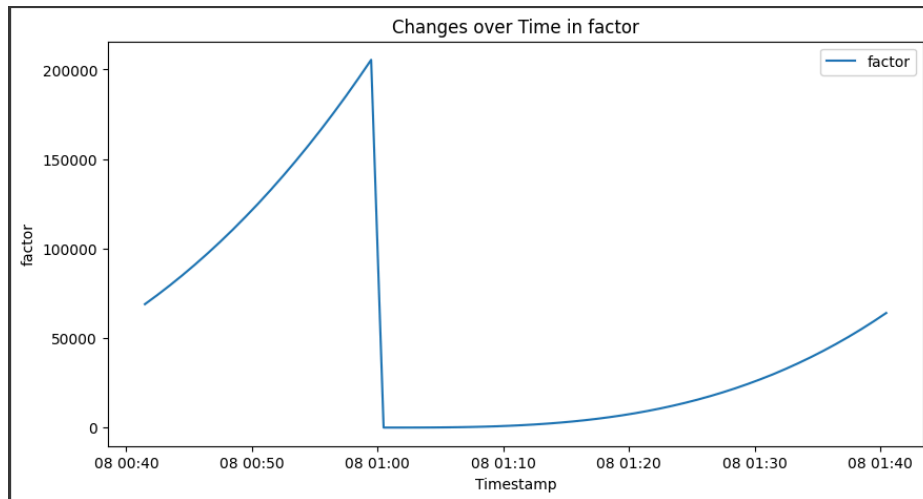
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Data stored at 2024-05-08 01:16:28.691732
Data stored at 2024-05-08 01:17:28.661417
Data stored at 2024-05-08 01:18:28.687701
Data stored at 2024-05-08 01:19:28.693424
Data stored at 2024-05-08 01:20:28.658789
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Data stored at 2024-05-08 01:20:28.658789
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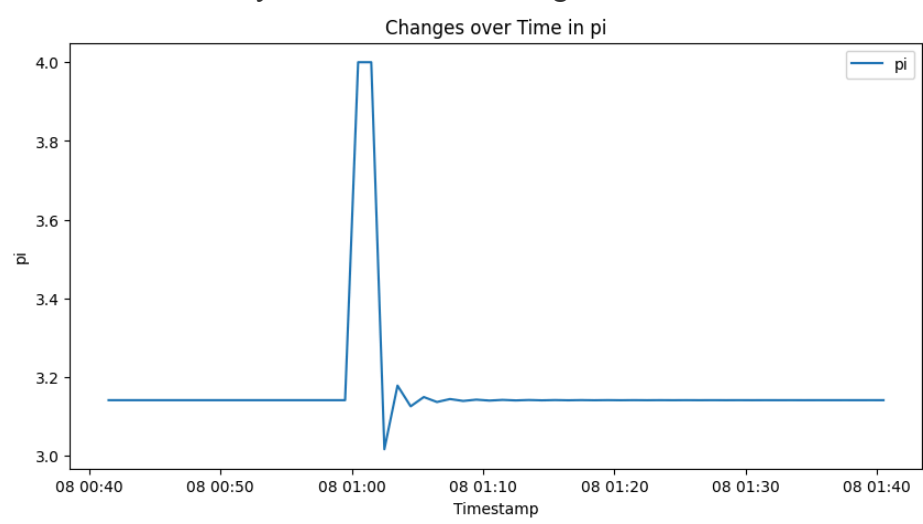
Looking at this generated log we can see that the calls went off about a minute apart from each other which validates that condition for the project.

### Graph insights:

The graphs generated after the first part of the project look like the following:



This graph depicts the relationship between “factor” and time and indicates that it is an exponential function that starts at the beginning of each hour and slowly builds up to its maximum value. This changes my initial interpretation that it changes with pi when it instead seems to be influenced by time and plays a role in influencing pi rather than the other way around. This is fairly consistent with the high standard deviation for the factor column.



Finally, this heartbeat shaped graph shows the changes in “pi” over the hour and indicates that it remains at a mostly constant value throughout the hour until the factor reaches its steep dropoff at which point it experiences dramatic changes. This is fairly consistent with the data frame indicating a relatively low standard deviation for the pi column.