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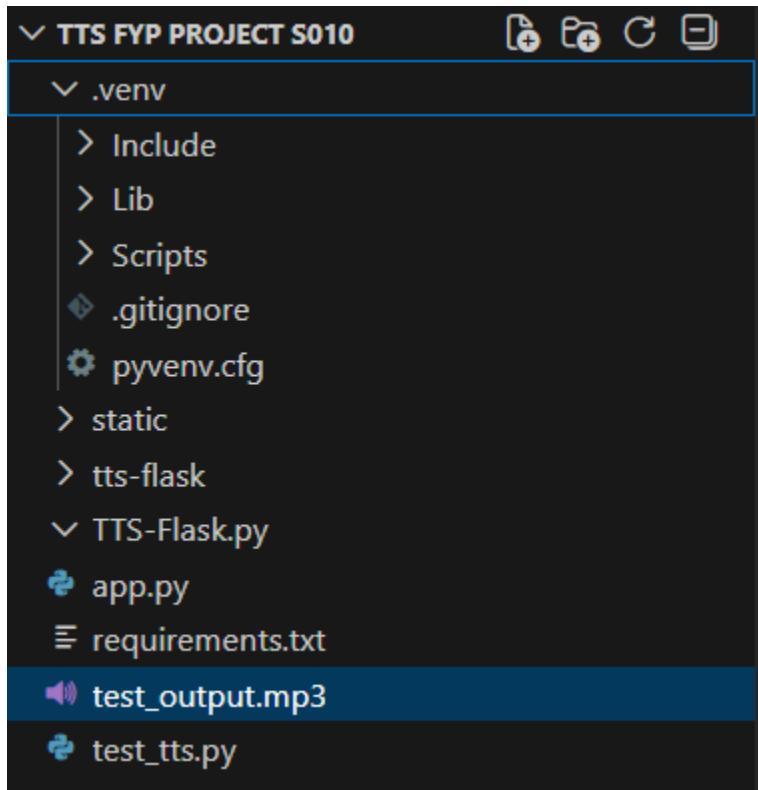
# TTS Module – Project Progress Summary

(Google TTS + Flask)

## 1. Project Setup

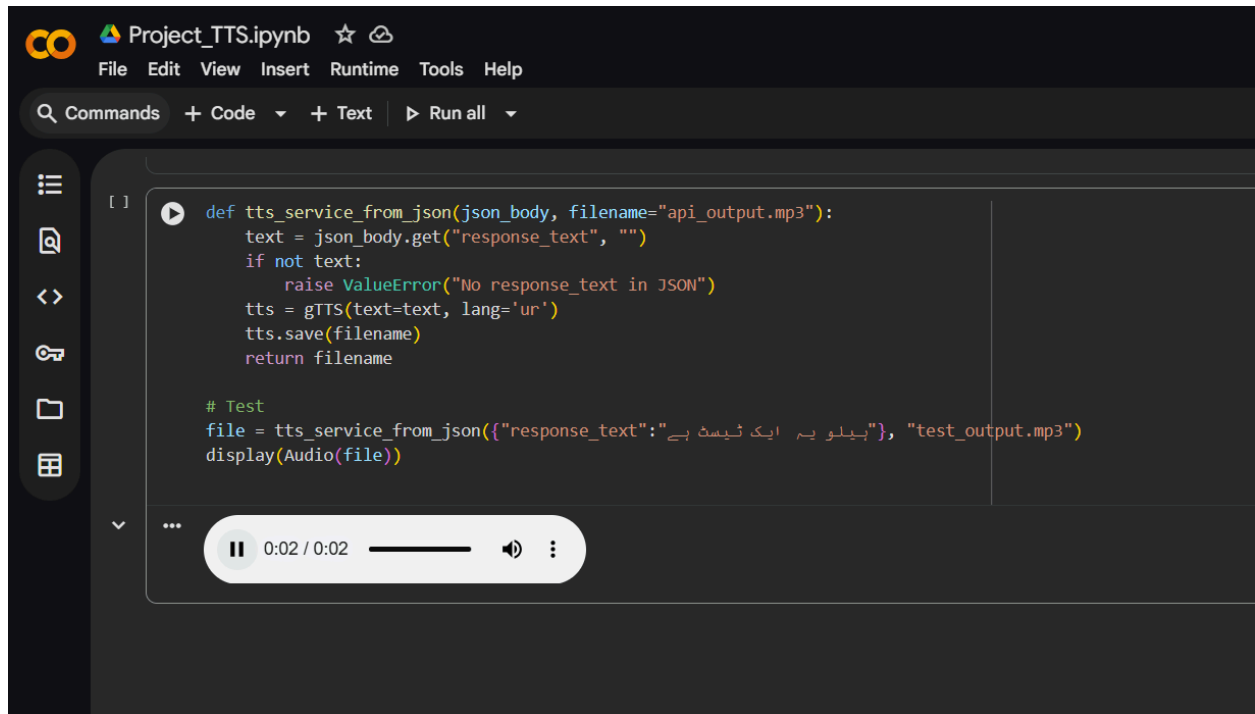
- Created a new project folder in VS Code:  
`D:/TTS FYP PROJECT S010`
- Created and activated a **Python virtual environment (.venv)**.
- Installed all required libraries through a `requirements.txt` file, including:  
`gTTS (Google Text-to-Speech)`  
`Flask (for API backend)`  
`Pydub (for audio processing)`

- Requests (for sending/receiving HTTP requests)



## 2. Implemented Google Text-to-Speech (gTTS)

- Wrote a small Python script to test Google gTTS.
- Successfully generated audio directly from text.
- Verified that MP3 files were created inside the project folder.



### 3. Created Flask API for TTS

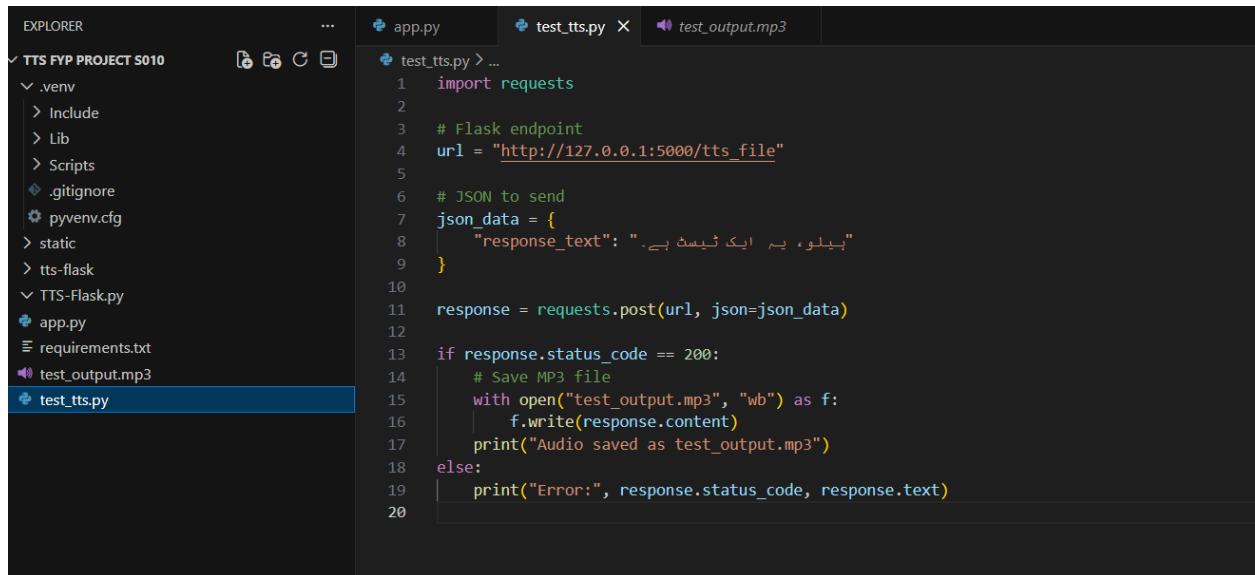
- Built a Flask backend `app.py` that:
  1. Accepts POST requests with JSON input  
→ `{"response_text": "<text>"}`
  2. Generates speech audio using gTTS
  3. Returns the MP3 file as an API response.

```
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> .venv
> static\audio
> tts-flask
> TTS-Flask.py
+ app.py
- requirements.txt
- test_output.mp3
+ test_tts.py

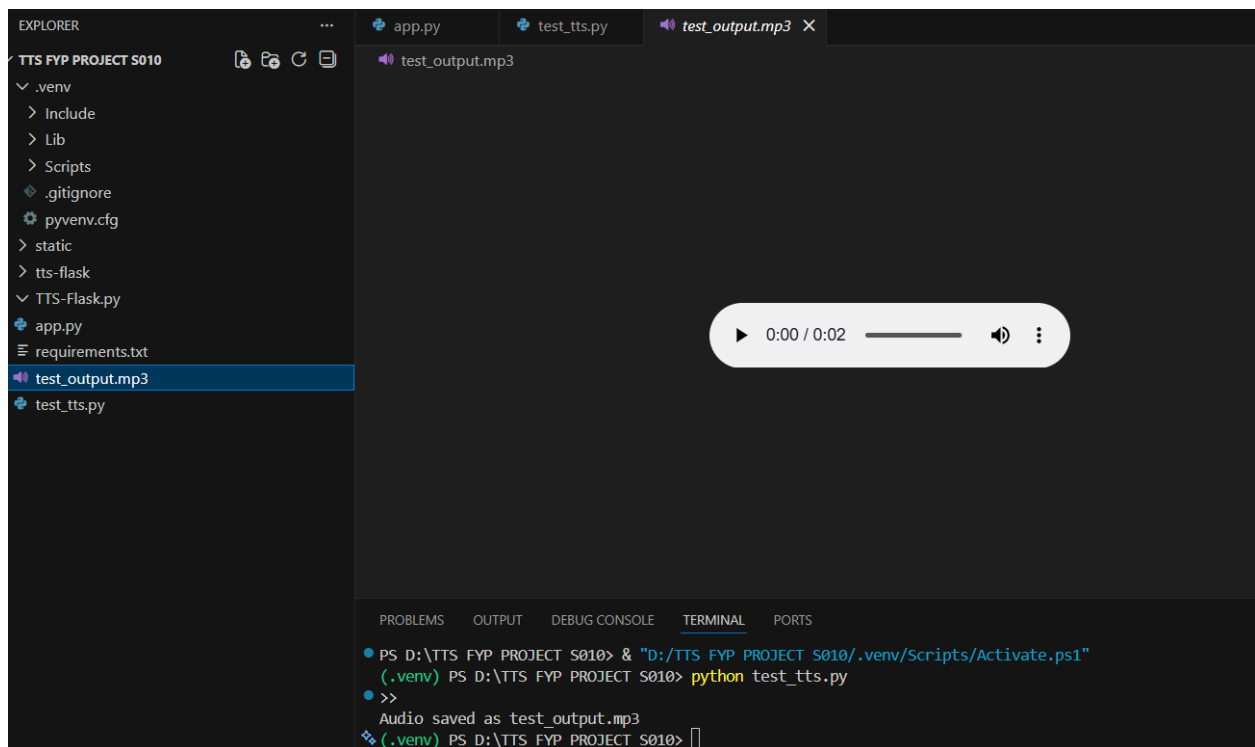
app.py > ...
1 from flask import Flask, request, send_file, jsonify
2 from gtts import gTTS
3 import os
4 import io
5 import uuid
6
7 app = Flask(__name__)
8
9 # Create static audio folder
10 AUDIO_DIR = os.path.join(os.path.dirname(__file__), "static", "audio")
11 os.makedirs(AUDIO_DIR, exist_ok=True)
12
13 @app.route("/tts", methods=["POST"])
14 def tts_endpoint():
15     """
16     Accepts JSON:
17     {
18         "response_text": "آپ کی درخواست وصول ہو گئی ہے۔"
19     }
20     Returns: saved MP3 file path (and serves the file).
21     """
22
23     if not request.is_json:
```

## 4. Testing TTS Locally

- Activated `.venv` and ran Flask using:  
`python app.py`
- Tested the API using:
  - `test_tts.py` helper script
- Successfully received MP3 files generated through the API.



```
1 import requests
2
3 # Flask endpoint
4 url = "http://127.0.0.1:5000/tts_file"
5
6 # JSON to send
7 json_data = {
8     "response_text": "ہیلو، ہم ایک ٹیسٹ ہے۔"
9 }
10
11 response = requests.post(url, json=json_data)
12
13 if response.status_code == 200:
14     # Save MP3 file
15     with open("test_output.mp3", "wb") as f:
16         f.write(response.content)
17     print("Audio saved as test_output.mp3")
18 else:
19     print("Error:", response.status_code, response.text)
20
```



## 5. Batch JSON Processing

- Implemented batch processing of multiple JSON files.

- Script sends each JSON to the Flask `/tts` endpoint and retrieves corresponding MP3 files.
- Verified end-to-end workflow: JSON → Flask API → MP3 output.

```

15
16 filepath = os.path.join(INPUT_FOLDER, filename)
17 with open(filepath, "r", encoding="utf-8") as f:
18     data = json.load(f)
19
20 print(f"Sending → {filename}")
21 try:
22     response = requests.post(API_URL, json=data, timeout=30)
23     response.raise_for_status()
24 except Exception as e:
25     print(f" ERROR sending {filename}: {e}")
26     continue
27
28 mp3_filename = filename.rsplit(".", 1)[0] + ".mp3"
29 mp3_path = os.path.join(OUTPUT_FOLDER, mp3_filename)
30
31 with open(mp3_path, "wb") as f:
32     f.write(response.content)
33
34 print(f"Saved → {mp3_filename}")
35
36 # Optional polite delay to avoid rate limits
37 time.sleep(0.5)
38
39 print("Batch processing completed.")
40

```

## Future course of actions:

### 1. Integration with Knowledge Graph (KG) & Natural Language Understanding (NLU):

- Integrate TTS module with KG/NLU for dynamic text generation based on user queries.
- This will enable context-aware responses and improve conversational capabilities.

### 2. Output Storage & Management:

- Consider adding a database or metadata logging for easier retrieval and playback.

### 3. Automation & Deployment:

- Run Flask server continuously or deploy using a production-ready WSGI server like Gunicorn.
- Implement error handling for invalid JSON input and logging of TTS processing events.

#### 4. **Additional Enhancements:**

- Integrate with front-end or chatbot interface for seamless user interaction.