

AI-Enhanced Code Quality Analysis Tool: Development Plan

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1 Project Overview

This document outlines the development plan for an AI-powered Python code quality analysis tool that integrates traditional static analysis (`pylint`, `flake8`, `radon`) with LLM-based insights using OpenAI's APIs (`text-embedding-3-small`, `gpt-4o-mini`). The tool allows users to upload Python files, analyzes code for quality issues, predicts bugs, generates optimized code, and provides a conversational, chatbot-like interface for iterative modifications without resubmitting code. It features a responsive web interface (Flask, HTML, Tailwind CSS), SQLite for session and log persistence, and bonus features (readability scoring, complexity visualization). The project will be hosted on GitHub with a comprehensive `README.md`.

2 Project Structure

The project follows a modular structure:

```
1 ai-code-analyzer/  
2   app/  
3     static/  
4       css/           % Tailwind CSS (via CDN or compiled)  
5       js/            % JavaScript for Plotly and chat UI  
6     templates/       % HTML templates for UI  
7     routes.py        % Flask route definitions  
8     analyzer.py      % Static code analysis module  
9     ai_helper.py     % AI-based analysis and optimization  
10    readability.py   % AI-based maintainability scoring (  
11      bonus)  
12    visualize.py     % Complexity visualization (bonus)  
13  tests/             % Unit tests for analyzer and AI  
14    modules  
15  uploads/           % Temporary storage for uploaded files  
16  logs/              % SQLite database for sessions and  
17    logs  
18  app.py             % Flask application entry point  
19  requirements.txt    % Python dependencies  
20  README.md          % Setup instructions and project info  
21  .env               % Environment variables (  
22    OPENAI_API_KEY)  
23  .gitignore         % Excludes uploads/, __pycache__/, .  
24  env
```

3 Core Functionalities

3.1 File Upload and Conversational Interface (HTML + Tailwind + Flask)

The tool provides a web-based interface for uploading Python files and interacting conversationally:

- **Purpose:** Allow users to upload `.py` files, view analysis results, and iteratively modify optimized code via a chatbot-like interface without resubmitting code.
- **Implementation:** Use Flask to serve an HTML form styled with Tailwind CSS (via CDN). The form POSTs files to `/analyze`. A chat-style UI displays conversation history (original code, analysis, optimized code, user commands) and accepts commands via `/regenerate`. Example HTML:

```
1 <div class="chat-container flex flex-col h-screen p-4">
2   <div class="chat-history flex-1 overflow-y-auto">
3     <!-- Messages: original code, AI analysis, optimized
4       code, user commands -->
5   </div>
6   <form action="/regenerate" method="POST" class="flex gap
7     -2">
8     <input type="hidden" name="session_id" value="{{
9       session_id }}">
10    <input type="text" name="user_command" class="flex-1
11      p-2 rounded">
12    <button class="bg-blue-500 text-white p-2 rounded">
13      Submit</button>
14  </form>
15</div>
```

- **Responsiveness:** Use Tailwinds responsive classes (e.g., `md:grid-cols-2`, `sm:p-2`) for mobile and desktop compatibility. Test with browser developer tools.
- **Error Handling:** Validate file type (`.py`), size (`<5MB`), and content (valid Python). Display user-friendly errors. Example:

```
1 from flask import request, jsonify
2 import os
3 import uuid
4 import ast
5 def validate_python_file(file_path):
6     try:
7         with open(file_path, 'r') as f:
8             ast.parse(f.read())
9         return True
10    except SyntaxError:
11        return False
12 @app.route('/analyze', methods=['POST'])
13 def analyze():
14     file = request.files.get('file')
15     if not file or not file.filename.endswith('.py'):
```

```

16         return jsonify({"error": "Invalid file: Only .py
           files allowed"}), 400
17     if os.path.getsize(file.stream) > 5 * 1024 * 1024:
18         return jsonify({"error": "File too large (max 5MB)"}), 400
19     file_path = os.path.join('uploads', f"{uuid.uuid4()}.py")
20     file.save(file_path)
21     if not validate_python_file(file_path):
22         return jsonify({"error": "Invalid Python code"}), 400
23     session_id = str(uuid.uuid4())
24     # Save session and run analysis

```

3.2 Static Code Analysis (analyzer.py)

The static analysis module evaluates code quality:

- **Tools:** pylint (style violations), flake8 (PEP 8), radon (complexity, maintainability).
- **Functionality:** Parse files with `ast.parse()`. Extract metrics (complexity, line count, comment ratio, style issues). Output:

```

1  {
2      "complexity": {
3          "functions": [{"name": "foo", "complexity": 3}, ...],
4          "module_complexity": 10
5      },
6      "style_issues": [{"line": 5, "message": "Missing
           docstring"}], ...],
7      "warnings": [{"line": 10, "message": "Unused variable"},
           ...]
8  }

```

- **Error Handling:**

```

1  import ast
2  def analyze_code(code):
3      try:
4          ast.parse(code)
5      except SyntaxError as e:
6          return {"error": f"Invalid Python code: {str(e)}"}
7      # Run pylint, flake8, radon

```

3.3 AI Code Insight Engine (ai_helper.py)

The AI module uses OpenAI's APIs for analysis and iterative optimization:

- **API Key Usage:** Store in `.env`:

```

1  OPENAI_API_KEY=sk-proj-wL_Rvm7SK5qkcAnB8JW-
           nzPtpClV9L35rEuZmUHZNfHxieq0XkEi6G7XiuX4GGw0-
           JXTayA_ZuT3BlbkFJeySbrCpb06ytPMnxCqQTSeoveVwkcQ_kq-
           HSogQeWTxjl0Q-9c64jZANfCUdlNT5fFkvsp5GMA

```

Load with:

```
1 import os
2 import openai
3 from dotenv import load_dotenv
4 load_dotenv()
5 openai.api_key = os.getenv("OPENAI_API_KEY")
```

- **Models:** gpt-4o-mini for chat completion (analysis, optimization); text-embedding-3-small for pattern analysis.
- **Conversational Analysis:** Analyze code and generate optimized code:

```
1 from tenacity import retry, stop_after_attempt,
   wait_exponential
2 @retry(stop=stop_after_attempt(3), wait=wait_exponential(
   multiplier=1, min=4, max=10))
3 def analyze_code_with_ai(code, session_id):
4     if not validate_code_content(code):
5         return {"error": "Code contains potentially harmful
   content"}
6     response = openai.ChatCompletion.create(
7         model="gpt-4o-mini",
8         messages=[
9             {
10                 "role": "system",
11                 "content": (
12                     "Analyze the following Python code for
   potential bugs, maintenance issues,
   and refactoring opportunities. "
13                     "Provide: 1. A list of predicted bugs (
   with line numbers and explanations). "
14                     "2. Refactoring suggestions with example
   code snippets. "
15                     "3. An optimized version of the code. "
16                     "4. Rank issues by severity (high, medium
   , low). "
17                     "Do not invent issues. Code: '{code}'"
18                 )
19             }
20         ],
21         max_tokens=1500,
22         temperature=0.3
23     )
24     result = response.choices[0].message.content
25     save_session(session_id, code, result, result) % Save
   original and optimized code
26     return result
```

- **Iterative Optimization:** Handle user commands for modifying optimized code:

```

1 @retry(stop=stop_after_attempt(3), wait=wait_exponential(
    multiplier=1, min=4, max=10))
2 def regenerate_code(session_id, user_command):
3     session = load_session(session_id)
4     if not session:
5         return {"error": "Session not found"}
6     original_code = session["original_code"]
7     optimized_code = session["optimized_code"]
8     history = session["conversation_history"]
9     prompt = (
10         f"You are a Python code optimization assistant.
11         Original code: '{original_code}' "
12         f"Previous optimized code: '{optimized_code}' "
13         f"Conversation history: {history}. "
14         f"User request: '{user_command}'. "
15         "Provide an updated optimized version of the code and
16         an explanation of changes."
17     )
18     response = openai.ChatCompletion.create(
19         model="gpt-4o-mini",
20         messages=[{"role": "system", "content": prompt}],
21         max_tokens=1500,
22         temperature=0.3
23     )
24     result = response.choices[0].message.content
25     update_session(session_id, result, user_command)
26     return result

```

- **Output:** Structured JSON:

```

1 {
2     "predicted_bugs": [
3         {"line": 15, "issue": "Potential NoneType error", "
4             severity": "high", "explanation": "..."}
5     ],
6     "refactor_suggestions": [
7         {"line": 20, "original": "for i in range(len(lst))",
8             "suggested": "for item in lst", "explanation": "
9             ..."}
10    ],
11    "optimized_code": "def foo(): ...",
12    "impact_ranking": [
13        {"issue": "NoneType error", "severity": "high", "
14            impact": "Could cause runtime crash"}
15    ]
16 }

```

- **Content Validation:**

```

1 def validate_code_content(code):
2     return "eval(" not in code and "exec(" not in code

```

3.4 Flask Routes (routes.py)

Endpoints support the conversational workflow:

- `/`: Home page with upload form.
- `/analyze`: Processes file upload, creates session, runs analysis.
- `/regenerate`: Accepts user commands, updates optimized code.
- `/readability`: Displays readability score (bonus).
- `/visualize`: Renders complexity visualization (bonus).
- Example for regeneration:

```
1 @app.route('/regenerate', methods=['POST'])
2 def regenerate():
3     session_id = request.form.get('session_id')
4     user_command = request.form.get('user_command')
5     if not session_id or not user_command:
6         return jsonify({"error": "Missing session_id or
7                             command"}), 400
8     result = regenerate_code(session_id, user_command)
9     return jsonify({"response": result})
```

4 Bonus Features

4.1 Readability Scoring (readability.py)

Evaluates code maintainability:

- **Purpose:** Rate readability on a 1-10 scale using gpt-4o-mini.
- **Implementation:**

```
1 def get_readability_score(code):
2     if not validate_code_content(code):
3         return {"error": "Invalid code content"}
4     response = openai.ChatCompletion.create(
5         model="gpt-4o-mini",
6         messages=[
7             {
8                 "role": "system",
9                 "content": (
10                     "Evaluate the readability and
11                     maintainability of this Python code on
12                     a scale of 1-10. "
13                     "Consider factors like code clarity,
14                     structure, naming conventions, and
15                     comments. "
16                     "Provide a score and a brief
17                     justification. "
18                     f"Code: '{code}'"
19                 )
20             }
21         ]
22     )
```

```

15         }
16     ],
17     max_tokens=200
18 )
19 return response.choices[0].message.content

```

- **Output:** Tailwind-styled progress bar:

```

1 {
2     "score": 7,
3     "justification": "Clear structure but lacks docstrings."
4 }

```

4.2 Complexity Visualization (visualize.py)

Displays function-level complexity:

- **Purpose:** Compare original and AI-optimized code complexity.
- **Implementation:** Use radon and Plotly:

```

1 {
2     "type": "bar",
3     "data": {
4         "labels": [], % Function names
5         "datasets": [
6             {
7                 "label": "Original Complexity",
8                 "data": [], % Complexity values
9                 "backgroundColor": "rgba(75, 192, 192, 0.6)",
10                "borderColor": "rgba(75, 192, 192, 1)",
11                "borderWidth": 1
12            },
13            {
14                "label": "AI-Refactored Complexity",
15                "data": [], % Refactored complexity
16                "backgroundColor": "rgba(255, 99, 132, 0.6)",
17                "borderColor": "rgba(255, 99, 132, 1)",
18                "borderWidth": 1
19            }
20        ]
21    },
22    "options": {
23        "scales": {
24            "y": { "beginAtZero": true, "title": { "display":
25                true, "text": "Cyclomatic Complexity" } },
26            "x": { "title": { "display": true, "text": "
27                Functions" } }
28        },
29        "plugins": {
30            "legend": { "display": true },
31            "title": { "display": true, "text": "Code
32                Complexity Comparison" }
33        }
34    }
35 }

```

```

30     }
31 }
32 }

```

5 Tech Stack

- **Backend:** Python 3.8+, Flask
- **Frontend:** HTML, Tailwind CSS (via CDN), JavaScript (Plotly)
- **Static Analysis:** pylint, flake8, radon
- **AI Engine:** OpenAI API (text-embedding-3-small, gpt-4o-mini)
- **Visualization:** Plotly (via CDN)
- **Database:** SQLite for sessions and logs
- **Testing:** pytest, Postman
- **Version Control:** GitHub
- **Environment:** .env for $OPENAI_{API_KEY}$

6 Database Usage

SQLite stores session data and logs:

- **Purpose:** Persist conversation history, code, and analysis results.
- **Schema:**

```

1 CREATE TABLE sessions (
2     session_id TEXT PRIMARY KEY,
3     created_at DATETIME,
4     original_code TEXT,
5     analysis_results TEXT,
6     optimized_code TEXT,
7     conversation_history TEXT
8 );

```

- **Implementation:**

```

1 import sqlite3
2 import hashlib
3 import json
4 import uuid
5 def save_session(session_id, original_code, analysis_results,
6     optimized_code):
7     conn = sqlite3.connect('logs/analyzer.db')
8     conn.execute(
9         "INSERT INTO sessions (session_id, created_at,
10             original_code, analysis_results, optimized_code,
11             conversation_history) "

```



```

9         "VALUES (?, datetime('now'), ?, ?, ?, ?)",
10        (session_id, original_code, json.dumps(
11            analysis_results), optimized_code, json.dumps([]))
12    )
13    conn.commit()
14    conn.close()
15 def update_session(session_id, new_optimized_code,
16 user_command):
17     conn = sqlite3.connect('logs/analyzer.db')
18     cursor = conn.cursor()
19     cursor.execute("SELECT conversation_history FROM sessions
20                     WHERE session_id = ?", (session_id,))
21     history = json.loads(cursor.fetchone()[0])
22     history.append({"user_command": user_command, "response":
23                     new_optimized_code})
24     cursor.execute(
25         "UPDATE sessions SET optimized_code = ?,
26         conversation_history = ? WHERE session_id = ?",
27         (new_optimized_code, json.dumps(history), session_id)
28     )
29     conn.commit()
30     conn.close()

```

7 Testing and Validation

- **Unit Tests (tests/):**

```

1 import pytest
2 from app.analyzer import analyze_code
3 def test_static_analysis():
4     code = "def foo(): pass"
5     result = analyze_code(code)
6     assert "complexity" in result
7     assert len(result["style_issues"]) == 1

```

- **API Testing:** Use Postman to test endpoints (/analyze, /regenerate, etc.).
- **UI Testing:** Verify chat UI responsiveness on mobile and desktop.

8 Documentation and Git Workflow

8.1 README Structure

The README.md includes:

- **Project Title & Description:** AI-powered code quality tool with conversational interface.
- **Installation:**
 1. Clone: `git clone <repo-link>`

2. Install: `pip install -r requirements.txt`
3. Set `.env`: `OPENAI_API_KEY = sk-proj-...InitializeSQLite : python -c "from app import in`
4. **Features:** Static analysis, AI optimization, conversational modifications, bonus features.

- **Sample Output:**

```

1 {
2     "complexity": {"module_complexity": 10, "functions": [{
3         "name": "foo", "complexity": 3}]},
4     "predicted_bugs": [{"line": 15, "issue": "Potential
5         NoneType error", "severity": "high"}],
6     "optimized_code": "def foo(): ...",
7     "readability": {"score": 7, "justification": "Clear
8         structure but lacks docstrings"}
9 }
```

- **Technologies:** Python, Flask, Tailwind CSS, OpenAI API, SQLite.
- **API Notes:** Use provided key responsibly, avoid harmful content.

8.2 Git Workflow

- Initialize: `git init`
- `.gitignore`:

```

1 __pycache__/  
2 uploads/  
3 logs/  
4 .env  
5 *.pyc
```

- Commit messages: e.g., Add conversational AI with session persistence.

9 Submission Requirements

- **Deliverables:** Functional code, conversational interface, bonus features, GitHub repo or zipped folder.
- **Evaluation Alignment:**
 - **Implementation:** All features plus conversational workflow.
 - **Code Organization:** Modular structure.
 - **API Integration:** Secure OpenAI API usage.
 - **UI Design:** Responsive chat-style UI.
 - **Error Handling:** File, code, and command validation.
 - **Creativity:** Conversational interface and bonus features.

10 Additional Notes

- **API Key Usage:**

- Use `sk-proj-wLrm7SK5qkcAnB8JW-nzPtpClV9L35rEuZmUHZNfHxieq0XkEi6G7JXTayAzUT3BlbkFJeySbrCpb06ytPMnxCqQTSeoveVwkcQkq-HSogQeWTxjl0Q-9c64jZANfCUdlNT5fFkvsp5GMAfor gpt-4o-miniandtext-embedding-3-small.Store`
- Validate code to avoid harmful content (e.g., `eval`, `exec`).
- Cache responses in SQLite to reduce API calls.

- **Conversational Workflow:**

- Store session data (code, analysis, history) in SQLite.
- Use `session_id(viacookiesorURL)to track conversations.Example user command : "Use list comprehension instead of loop" updates optimized code.`

- **Security:**

- Sanitize uploads to prevent directory traversal.
- Limit file size to 5MB.
- Validate user commands for relevance.

- **Challenges:**

- **API Rate Limits:** Use `tenacity` and caching.
- **Response Parsing:** Parse `gpt-4o-mini` responses into structured JSON.
- **Conversation Persistence:** Ensure session data is reliably stored and retrieved.

- **Development Tips:**

- Start with static analysis and file upload.
- Implement conversational AI incrementally, testing prompts.
- Use Postman for API debugging.
- Document edge cases in `README`.

11 Implementation Notes

- **Security:** Sanitize uploads, exclude `.env`, validate code and commands.
- **Performance:** Cache AI responses, limit file size.
- **Scalability:** Use Flask for development, Gunicorn for production.