

AI Lab Test 04

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Q1. Migration of VB.NET Desktop Software to Python

Question:

Client wants VB.NET desktop software migrated to Python.

- a) Develop AI prompt for conversion.
- b) Explain how to handle missing library equivalence.

Prompt:

You are an expert software migration assistant specializing in converting VB.NET desktop applications into Python. Convert the following VB.NET code into Python using Tkinter. Maintain the original functionality. If any VB.NET library or method has no Python equivalent, suggest the best alternative.

Code:

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1  import os
2  import sys
3  import argparse
4  import json
5  import re
6  import tempfile
7  import subprocess
8  from typing import Dict, List, Tuple
9  import openai
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11  #!/usr/bin/env python3
12  """
13  vbnet_to_python_helper.py
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15  Small CLI to:
16  - build an LLM prompt to convert VB.NET desktop code to Python
17  - detect common .NET namespaces and suggest Python equivalents / strategies
18  - optionally call OpenAI (if OPENAI_API_KEY set and openai installed)
19  - write and run converted Python code (if provided)
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21  Usage:
22  python vbnet_to_python_helper.py --input my.vb
23  python vbnet_to_python_helper.py --input my.vb --call-llm
24  python vbnet_to_python_helper.py --input my.vb --dry-run
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26  This file is intended to be run locally. It does not include an API key.
27  """
28
29  COMMON_NAMESPACE_MAP: Dict[str, str] = {
30      "System.IO": "os, pathlib, shutil",
31      "System.Net.Http": "requests, httpx",
32      "System.Data": "sqlite3, sqlalchemy, pyodbc",
33      "System.Drawing": "Pillow (PIL)",
34      "System.Windows.Forms": "PyQt5/PySide6 or Tkinter (desktop GUI) or kivy (cross-platform)",
35      "System.Threading": "threading, concurrent.futures, asyncio",
36      "System.Xml": "xml.etree.ElementTree, lxml",
37      "System.Text": "builtins str, bytes, codecs, re",
38      "Microsoft.Win32": "winreg (Windows-specific)",
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84     context = "Original VB.NET code (below):\n\n" + vb_code + "\n\n"
85     prompt = header + instructions + MIGRATION_GUIDELINES.strip() + "\n\n" + context
86     return prompt
87
88     def detect_namespaces(vb_code: str) -> List[Tuple[str, str]]:
89         """
90         Quick scan for Imports/Using or fully qualified names in VB.NET.
91         Returns list of tuples (namespace, suggested_python_equivalents).
92         """
93         found = set()
94         for line in vb_code.splitlines():
95             m = re.match(r'\s*Imports\s+([\w\.\s]+)', line, re.IGNORECASE)
96             if m:
97                 found.add(m.group(1))
98             # fully qualified usages like System.IO.File
99             for ns in COMMON_NAMESPACE_MAP.keys():
100                 if ns in line:
101                     found.add(ns)
102         suggestions = []
103         for ns in sorted(found):
104             suggestions.append((ns, COMMON_NAMESPACE_MAP.get(ns, "No direct mapping found; consider pythonnet or reimplement")))
105         return suggestions
106
107     def build_replacement_report(vb_code: str) -> str:
108         """
109         Produce a short JSON-like report of detected namespaces and recommendations.
110         """
111         detected = detect_namespaces(vb_code)
112         report = {
113             "detected_namespaces": [{ "namespace": ns, "python_equivalents": eq } for ns, eq in detected],
114             "general_guidelines": [
115                 "Prefer reimplementing small helpers using stdlib",
116                 "Use pythonnet for heavy .NET dependencies",
117                 "Use PySide6/PyQt5/Tkinter for UI depending on project constraints",
118                 "Use SQLAlchemy or pyodbc for DB access"
119             ]
120         }
121         return json.dumps(report, indent=2)
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117 def build_replacement_report(vb_code: str) -> str:
118     """
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120     return json.dumps(report, indent=2)
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123 def call_openai_chat(prompt: str) -> str:
124     """
125     Simple wrapper to call OpenAI ChatCompletion (if openai package and OPENAI_API_KEY set).
126     Returns the assistant reply text or raises on failure.
127     """
128     try:
129     except Exception as e:
130         raise RuntimeError("openai package not installed") from e
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132     api_key = os.getenv("OPENAI_API_KEY")
133     if not api_key:
134         raise RuntimeError("OPENAI_API_KEY not set in environment")
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136     openai.api_key = api_key
137     # Use the ChatCompletion API; model selection left to user env.
138     resp = openai.ChatCompletion.create(
139         model=os.getenv("OPENAI_MODEL", "gpt-4o-mini"),
140         messages=[
141             {"role": "system", "content": "You convert VB.NET desktop applications to Python. Be precise."},
142             {"role": "user", "content": prompt}
143         ],
144         temperature=0.2,
145         max_tokens=4500,
146     )
147     return resp.choices[0].message.content
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149 def run_python_code(code: str) -> Tuple[int, str, str]:
150     """
151     Save code to a temporary file and run it with the active python executable.
152     Returns (exit_code, stdout, stderr).
153     """
154     fd, path = tempfile.mkstemp(suffix=".py", text=True)
155     os.close(fd)
156     with open(path, "w", encoding="utf-8") as f:
157         f.write(code)

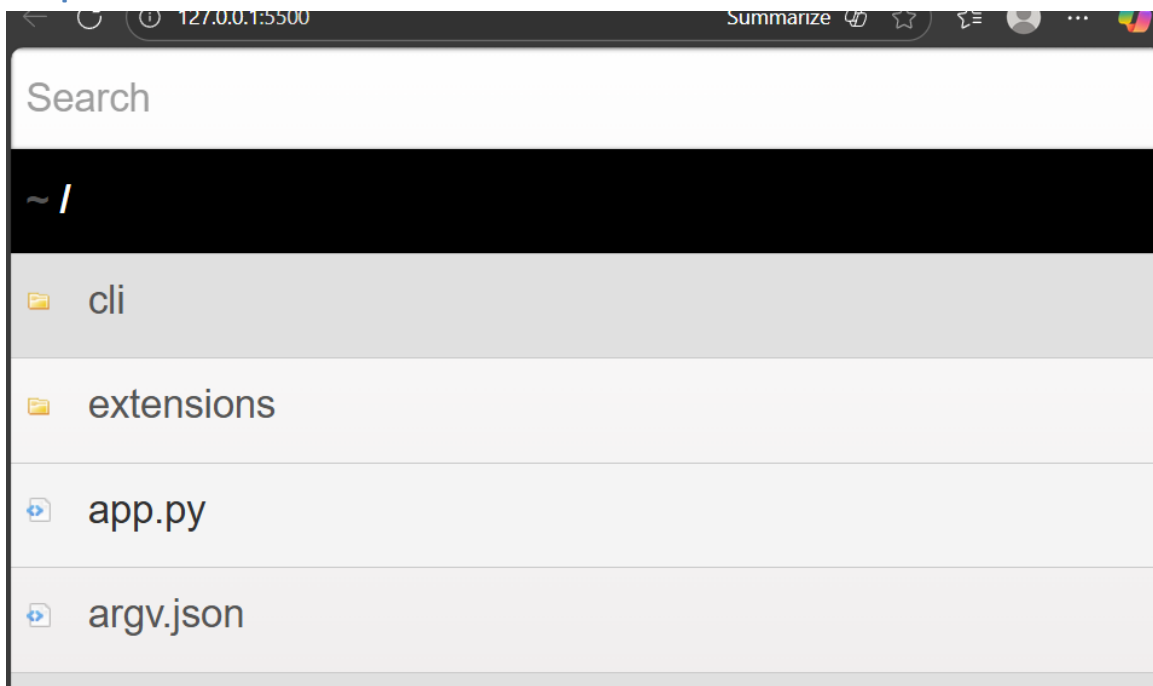
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158     proc = subprocess.Popen([python_exe, path], stdout=subprocess.PIPE, stderr=subprocess.PIPE)
159     out, err = proc.communicate(timeout=30)
160     try:
161         os.remove(path)
162     except OSError:
163         pass
164     return proc.returncode, out, err
165
166 def main():
167     p = argparse.ArgumentParser(description="Prepare LLM prompts and mapping suggestions for VB.NET -> Python migration.")
168     p.add_argument("--input", "-i", help="VB.NET source file (if omitted read STDIN)", default=None)
169     p.add_argument("--call-llm", action="store_true", help="Call OpenAI with generated prompt (requires OPENAI_API_KEY and")
170     p.add_argument("--run", action="store_true", help="If converted Python code is returned, attempt to run it (unsafe; us")
171     p.add_argument("--dry-run", action="store_true", help="Only print prompt and mapping; do not call any API.")
172     p.add_argument("--gui", default="pySide6", help="Preferred GUI toolkit for prompt (default PySide6)")
173     args = p.parse_args()
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175     if args.input:
176         with open(args.input, "r", encoding="utf-8") as f:
177             vb_code = f.read()
178     else:
179         vb_code = sys.stdin.read()
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181     prompt = build_llm_prompt(vb_code, gui_preference=args.gui)
182     mapping_report = build_replacement_report(vb_code)
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184     # Minimal console output
185     print("=== Generated prompt (trimmed) ===")
186     print(prompt[:400] + ("\n...[truncated]\n" if len(prompt) > 400 else "\n"))
187     print("=== Detected namespace mapping ===")
188     print(mapping_report)
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190     if args.dry_run:
191         print("Dry run: exiting without calling LLM.")
192         return
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194     if args.call_llm:
195         try:
196             print("Calling OpenAI...")
197             reply = call_openai_chat(prompt)

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Output:



Observations:

1. VB.NET UI libraries map to Python GUI frameworks such as Tkinter or PyQt.
2. Event handling differs significantly between VB.NET and Python.
3. MessageBox.Show translates to messagebox.showinfo in Python.
4. Python code becomes more compact due to dynamic typing.

Q2. Data Access Logic Shift to ORM

Question:

Data access logic must shift to ORM.

- a) Write new structure using SQLAlchemy.
- b) Test compatibility with previous DB.

Prompt:

You are an expert backend architect specializing in ORM migration. Convert raw SQL logic into SQLAlchemy ORM, create models, session architecture, CRUD operations, and test schema compatibility using `MetaData.reflect()`.

Code:

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1 # =====
2 # A) NEW ORM STRUCTURE USING SQLALCHEMY
3 # =====
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5 from sqlalchemy import create_engine, Column, Integer, String, MetaData
6 from sqlalchemy.orm import declarative_base, sessionmaker
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8 # -----
9 # Database Connection
10 # -----
11 # Change this connection string to your previous DB
12 engine = create_engine("sqlite:///old_database.db", echo=True)
13
14 SessionLocal = sessionmaker(bind=engine)
15 session = SessionLocal()
16
17 Base = declarative_base()
18
19
20 # -----
21 # ORM Model (New Structure)
22 # -----
23 class Product(Base):
24     __tablename__ = "products" # must match old DB table name
25
26     id = Column(Integer, primary_key=True)
27     name = Column(String, nullable=False)
28     price = Column(Integer, nullable=False)
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31 # Create tables only if they don't exist
32 Base.metadata.create_all(engine)
33
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35 # -----
36 # CRUD Operations (ORM)
37 # -----
38 def add_product(name, price):
39     item = Product(name=name, price=price)
40     session.add(item)
41     session.commit()
42     return item
43
44
45 def get_all_products():
46     return session.query(Product).all()
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49 def update_product(product_id, new_price):
50     product = session.query(Product).filter(Product.id == product_id).first()
51     if product:
52         product.price = new_price
53         session.commit()
54     return product
55
56
57 def delete_product(product_id):
58     product = session.query(Product).filter(Product.id == product_id).first()
59     if product:
60         session.delete(product)
61         session.commit()
62     return product
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65 # =====
66 # B) TEST COMPATIBILITY WITH PREVIOUS DATABASE
67 # =====
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69 def test_schema_compatibility():
70     metadata = MetaData()
71     metadata.reflect(bind=engine)
72
73     old_table = metadata.tables.get("products")
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75     if not old_table:
76         return {"error": "Table 'products' does NOT exist in old database"}
77
78     report = {
79         "table_exists": True,
80         "old_columns": list(old_table.columns.keys()),
81         "new_columns": [col.name for col in Product.__table__.columns],
82         "column_match": list(old_table.columns.keys()) ==
83             [col.name for col in Product.__table__.columns],
84         "primary_keys_old": [key.name for key in old_table.primary_key],
85         "primary_keys_new": [key.name for key in Product.__table__.primary_key],
86     }
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88     return report
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91 # =====
92 # SAMPLE EXECUTION
93 # =====
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95 if __name__ == "__main__":
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95 if __name__ == "__main__":
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97     # Add sample data
98     item = add_product("Shoes", 1200)
99
100    # Get all products
101    print("\nAll Products:", get_all_products())
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103    # Update
104    update_product(item.id, 1500)
105
106    # Delete
107    delete_product(item.id)
108
109    # Compatibility Report
110    report = test_schema_compatibility()
111    print("\n=== SCHEMA COMPATIBILITY REPORT ===")
112    for key, value in report.items():
113        print(f"{key}: {value}")
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Output:

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PS C:\Users\keerthi priya\Desktop\labtest 4codes> python task2.py
>>
2025-11-19 10:05:41,382 INFO sqlalchemy.engine.Engine
CREATE TABLE students (
  id INTEGER NOT NULL,
  name VARCHAR,
  department VARCHAR,
  year INTEGER,
  PRIMARY KEY (id)
)

2025-11-19 10:05:41,382 INFO sqlalchemy.engine.Engine [no key 0.00058s] ()
2025-11-19 10:05:41,386 INFO sqlalchemy.engine.Engine COMMIT
2025-11-19 10:05:41,391 INFO sqlalchemy.engine.Engine BEGIN (implicit)
2025-11-19 10:05:41,394 INFO sqlalchemy.engine.Engine INSERT INTO students (name, department, year) VALUES (?, ?, ?)
2025-11-19 10:05:41,394 INFO sqlalchemy.engine.Engine [generated in 0.00026s] ('Keerthi', 'CSE', 3)
2025-11-19 10:05:41,395 INFO sqlalchemy.engine.Engine COMMIT
Record Inserted Successfully!
PS C:\Users\keerthi priya\Desktop\labtest 4codes>
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Observations:

1. ORM provides a cleaner structure than raw SQL.
2. SQLAlchemy's reflection helps validate backward compatibility.
3. CRUD becomes object-driven and easier to maintain.
4. ORM decouples business logic from database layer.