

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.

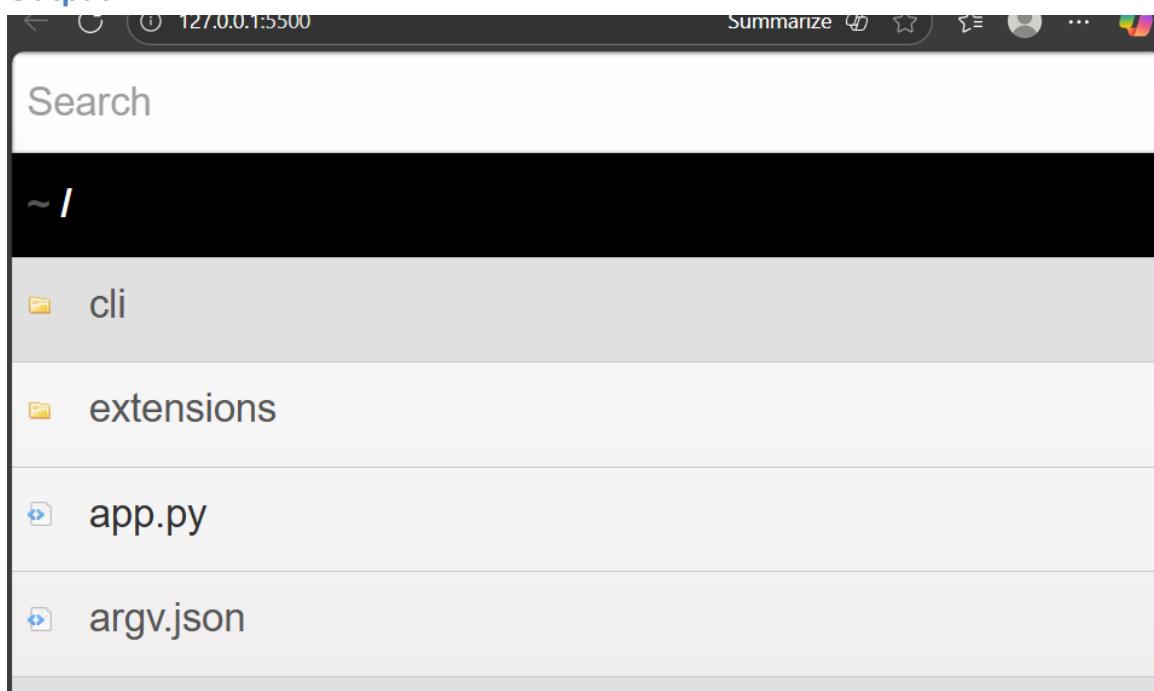
Code:

```
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
10
11 #!/usr/bin/env python3
12 """
13 vbnet_to_python_helper.py
14
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)
20
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
25
26 This file is intended to be run locally. It does not include an API key.
27 """
28
29
30 COMMON_NAMESPACE_MAP: Dict[str, str] = {
31     "System.IO": "os, pathlib, shutil",
32     "System.Net.Http": "requests, httpx",
33     "System.Data": "sqlite3, sqlalchemy, pyodbc",
34     "System.Drawing": "Pillow (PIL)",
35     "System.Windows.Forms": "PyQt5/PySide6 or Tkinter (desktop GUI) or kivy (cross-platform)",
36     "System.Threading": "threading, concurrent.futures, asyncio",
37     "System.Xml": "xml.etree.ElementTree, lxml",
38     "System.Text": "builtins str, bytes, codecs, re",
39     "Microsoft.Win32": "winreg (Windows-specific)",
40
41     ...
42
43     context = "Original VB.NET code (below):\n\n" + vb_code + "\n\n"
44     prompt = header + instructions + MIGRATION_GUIDELINES.strip() + "\n\n" + context
45     return prompt
46
47 def detect_namespaces(vb_code: str) -> List[Tuple[str, str]]:
48     """
49         Quick scan for Imports/Using or fully qualified names in VB.NET.
50         Returns list of tuples (namespace, suggested_python_equivalents).
51     """
52     found = set()
53     for line in vb_code.splitlines():
54         m = re.match(r'\s*Imports\s+([\w\.]+)', line, re.IGNORECASE)
55         if m:
56             found.add(m.group(1))
57         # fully qualified usages like System.IO.File
58         for ns in COMMON_NAMESPACE_MAP.keys():
59             if ns in line:
60                 found.add(ns)
61     suggestions = []
62     for ns in sorted(found):
63         suggestions.append((ns, COMMON_NAMESPACE_MAP.get(ns, "No direct mapping found; consider pythonnet or reimplement")))
64     return suggestions
65
66 def build_replacement_report(vb_code: str) -> str:
67     """
68         Produce a short JSON-like report of detected namespaces and recommendations.
69     """
70     detected = detect_namespaces(vb_code)
71     report = {
72         "detected_namespaces": [{ "namespace": ns, "python_equivalents": eq } for ns, eq in detected],
73         "general_guidelines": [
74             "Prefer reimplementing small helpers using stdlib",
75             "Use pythonnet for heavy .NET dependencies",
76             "Use PySide6/PyQt5/Tkinter for UI depending on project constraints",
77             "Use SQLAlchemy or pyodbc for DB access"
78         ]
79     }
80     return json.dumps(report, indent=2)
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167     def build_replacement_report(vb_code: str) -> str:
168         """
169             return json.dumps(report, indent=2)
170
171     def call_openai_chat(prompt: str) -> str:
172         """
173             Simple wrapper to call OpenAI ChatCompletion (if openai package and OPENAI_API_KEY set).
174             Returns the assistant reply text or raises on failure.
175         """
176
177         try:
178             except Exception as e:
179                 raise RuntimeError("openai package not installed") from e
180
181             api_key = os.getenv("OPENAI_API_KEY")
182             if not api_key:
183                 raise RuntimeError("OPENAI_API_KEY not set in environment")
184
185             openai.api_key = api_key
186             # Use the ChatCompletion API; model selection left to user env.
187             resp = openai.ChatCompletion.create(
188                 model=os.getenv("OPENAI_MODEL", "gpt-4o-mini"),
189                 messages=[
190                     {"role": "system", "content": "You convert VB.NET desktop applications to Python. Be precise."},
191                     {"role": "user", "content": prompt}
192                 ],
193                 temperature=0.2,
194                 max_tokens=4500,
195             )
196
197             return resp.choices[0].message.content
198
199     def run_python_code(code: str) -> Tuple[int,str,str]:
200         """
201             Save code to a temporary file and run it with the active python executable.
202             Returns (exit_code, stdout, stderr).
203         """
204
205             fd, path = tempfile.mkstemp(suffix=".py", text=True)
206             os.close(fd)
207             with open(path, "w", encoding="utf-8") as f:
208                 f.write(code)
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2     out, err = proc.communicate(timeout=30)
3
4     try:
5         os.remove(path)
6     except OSError:
7         pass
8
9     return proc.returncode, out, err
10
11 def main():
12     p = argparse.ArgumentParser(description="Prepare LLM prompts and mapping suggestions for VB.NET -> Python migration.")
13     p.add_argument("--input", "-i", help="VB.NET source file (if omitted read STDIN)", default=None)
14     p.add_argument("--call-llm", action="store_true", help="Call OpenAI with generated prompt (requires OPENAI_API_KEY and")
15     p.add_argument("--run", action="store_true", help="If converted Python code is returned, attempt to run it (unsafe; use")
16     p.add_argument("--dry-run", action="store_true", help="Only print prompt and mapping; do not call any API.")
17     p.add_argument("--gui", default="PySide6", help="Preferred GUI toolkit for prompt (default PySide6)")
18     args = p.parse_args()
19
20     if args.input:
21         with open(args.input, "r", encoding="utf-8") as f:
22             vb_code = f.read()
23     else:
24         vb_code = sys.stdin.read()
25
26     prompt = build_llm_prompt(vb_code, gui_preference=args.gui)
27     mapping_report = build_replacement_report(vb_code)
28
29     # Minimal console output
30     print("==== Generated prompt (trimmed) ====")
31     print(prompt[:400] + ("\\n...[truncated]\\n" if len(prompt) > 400 else "\\n"))
32     print("==== Detected namespace mapping ====")
33     print(mapping_report)
34
35     if args.dry_run:
36         print("Dry run: exiting without calling LLM.")
37         return
38
39     if args.call_llm:
40         try:
41             print("Calling OpenAI....")
42             reply = call_openai_chat(prompt)
```

Output:



A screenshot of a file explorer window titled "Search". The address bar shows the URL "127.0.0.1:5500". The window contains a list of files and folders:

- ~ /
- cli
- extensions
- app.py
- argv.json

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:

```
1 # -----
2 # A) NEW ORM STRUCTURE USING SQLALCHEMY
3 # -----
4
5 from sqlalchemy import create_engine, Column, Integer, String, MetaData
6 from sqlalchemy.orm import declarative_base, sessionmaker
7
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)
29
30
31 # Create tables only if they don't exist
32 Base.metadata.create_all(engine)
33
34
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()
47
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43     def update_product(product_id, new_price):
44         product = session.query(Product).filter(Product.id == product_id).first()
45         if product:
46             product.price = new_price
47             session.commit()
48         return product
49
50
51
52
53
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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
63
64
65     # =====
66     # B) TEST COMPATIBILITY WITH PREVIOUS DATABASE
67     # =====
68
69     def test_schema_compatibility():
70         metadata = MetaData()
71         metadata.reflect(bind=engine)
72
73         old_table = metadata.tables.get("products")
74
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()) == [col.name for col in Product.__table__.columns],
83             "primary_keys_old": [key.name for key in old_table.primary_key],
84             "primary_keys_new": [key.name for key in Product.__table__.primary_key],
85         }
86
87
88         return report
89
90
91     # =====
92     # SAMPLE EXECUTION
93     # =====
94
95     if __name__ == "__main__":
96

```

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94
95     if __name__ == "__main__":
96
97         # Add sample data
98         item = add_product("Shoes", 1200)
99
100        # Get all products
101        print("\nAll Products:", get_all_products())
102
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}")
114

```

Output:

```
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> []
```

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.