1. Install Required Software

- Download and install <u>VS Code</u> https://code.visualstudio.com/
- 2. Install Python from:

https://www.python.org/downloads/release/python-3127/

Use Python 3.12.7 as it is tested with the libraries we will work on

3. Verify Python installation by opening terminal/command prompt:

python -version

If it errors finding the executable, add python.exe location to System environment variable: PATH

You can find the location of python.exe by opening the windows menu, right click on Python app (open file location), copy path

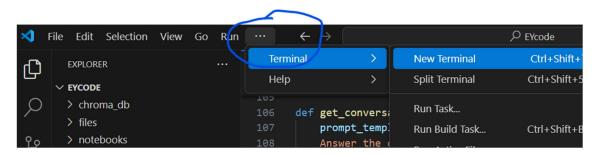
2. VS Code Setup

- 1. Open VS Code
- 2. Install the Python extension:
 - o Click the Extensions icon in the sidebar (or press Ctrl+Shift+X)
 - Search for "Python"
 - o Install the Microsoft Python extension
 - Other VS Code extensions that are needed only if you want to run the Python notebooks in VS Code (you can always run them in colab)
 Jupyter, Jupyter Notebook renderers, ipykernel

3. Create a Project

- 1. Create a new folder for your project
- 2. Open the folder in VS Code (File > Open Folder)

3. Start a terminal



4. In the terminal window, give the following commands:

Create a new virtual environment:

python -m venv venv
venv\Scripts\activate

5. Create requirements.txt

1. Create a requirements.txt file in your project root folder. Put following content in requirements.txt:

langchain-openai langchain-community langchain-text-splitters chromadb beautifulsoup4 pypdf wikipedia plotly ragas tqdm datasets python-dotenv openai streamlit dotted-dict PyPDF2 matplotlib seaborn

2. Install packages from requirements.txt:

Give the following command in the terminal:

pip install -r requirements.txt

You may see error during the installation mentioning something like below:

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running bdist_wheel

running build

running build_ext

building 'hnswlib' extension

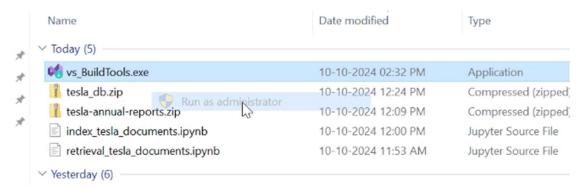
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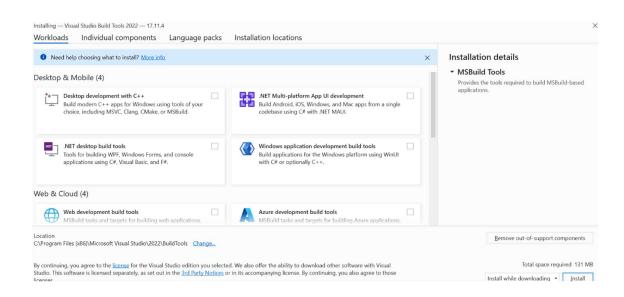
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To fix it, install MS dev tools:

https://visualstudio.microsoft.com/visual-cpp-build-tools/





Choose the first one - desktop dev in c++

Ater successful installation of packages you should see:

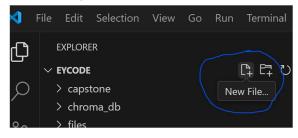
5. Write a simple python program

Create a folder where you will keep all your code.

Recommended: C:\Users\<username>\code\genai

When you start VS code, it will ask you to open a folder. Open the above folder

In VS Code, add a new file:



test.py

Put following lines in it:

6. Save the file and run it

If unable to run, you may need to select Python Interpreter:

- Press Ctrl+Shift+P (Cmd+Shift+P on macOS)
- o Type "Python: Select Interpreter"
- Choose the interpreter from your virtual environment
- 7. You should see the output like below

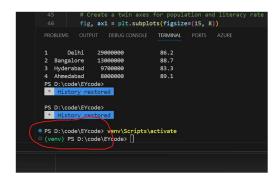
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  4 Ahmedabad
                   8000000
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O PS D:\code\EYcode>
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Troubleshooting

- If terminal says scripts are disabled (PowerShell):
 - Set-ExecutionPolicy ExecutionPolicy RemoteSigned Scope CurrentUser
- If Python is not recognized, verify it's added to PATH
- Make sure to always activate virtual environment before installing packages. The active environment is shown in green as below:

Give command:

venv\Scripts\activate



If still facing errors, try following and then run pip install -r requirements.txt:
 pip install --upgrade
 pip setuptools wheel
 pip cache purge
 pip install --upgrade --force-reinstall setuptools

Thatsit!!

You are now ready to build your GenAl Python apps with VS code