Connecting to MS SQL Server with python



The problem

Sql server connection cant find the sql engine

The last line looks for a sql server engine named **SQL SERVER** however we don't use it anymore.

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Collecting pypyodbc
Using cached
https://files.pythonhosted.org/packages/62/94/a5bb72a83366c3249d60c7c465b25cb4252b6be4cc2b13ee
f048e8e73085/pypyodbc-1.3.6.tar.gz
Requirement already satisfied: setuptools in /usr/lib/python3/dist-packages (from pypyodbc)
Building wheels for collected packages: pypyodbc
Running setup.py bdist_wheel for pypyodbc ... done
Stored in directory:
/root/.cache/pip/wheels/bd/68/0f/b23f408ec9ad90e883abc69ae16bf87ac822259de735c9f77c
Successfully built pypyodbc
Installing collected packages: pypyodbc
Successfully installed pypyodbc-1.3.6
root@miharbines:/home/miharbines/Test# python3 dbtest1.py
Traceback (most recent call last):
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File "dbtest1.py", line 3, in <module>
connection = pypyodbc.connect('Driver={SQL
Server};Server=x.y.z.d;DATABASE=trade;UID=sa;PWD=x.x.x.x.x.x')
File "/usr/local/lib/python3.6/dist-packages/pypyodbc.py", line 2454, in _init_
self.connect(connectString, autocommit, ansi, timeout, unicode_results, readonly)
File "/usr/local/lib/python3.6/dist-packages/pypyodbc.py", line 2507, in connect
check_success(self, ret)
File "/usr/local/lib/python3.6/dist-packages/pypyodbc.py", line 1009, in check_success
ctrl_err(SQL_HANDLE_DBC, ODBC_obj.dbc_h, ret, ODBC_obj.ansi)
File "/usr/local/lib/python3.6/dist-packages/pypyodbc.py", line 983, in ctrl_err
raise OperationalError(state,err_text)
pypyodbc.OperationalError: ('01000', "[01000] [unixODBC][Driver Manager]Can't open lib 'SQL
Server' : file not found")
```

Solution

İnstall MS SQL version 17 db engine from ms repos

```
sudo -i
curl https://packages.microsoft.com/keys/microsoft.asc | apt-key add -
curl https://packages.microsoft.com/config/ubuntu/$(lsb_release -rs)/prod.list >
/etc/apt/sources.list.d/mssql-release.list
sudo apt update
sudo ACCEPT_EULA=Y apt-get install -y msodbcsql17
sudo apt-get install -y unixodbc-dev
```

Switch the driver

From

```
conn = pyodbc.connect('DRIVER={SQL
Server};SERVER=server_name;DATABASE=database_name;UID=user;PWD=password')
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to

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conn = pyodbc.connect('DRIVER={ODBC Driver 17 for SQL
Server};SERVER=server_name;DATABASE=database_name;UID=user;PWD=password')
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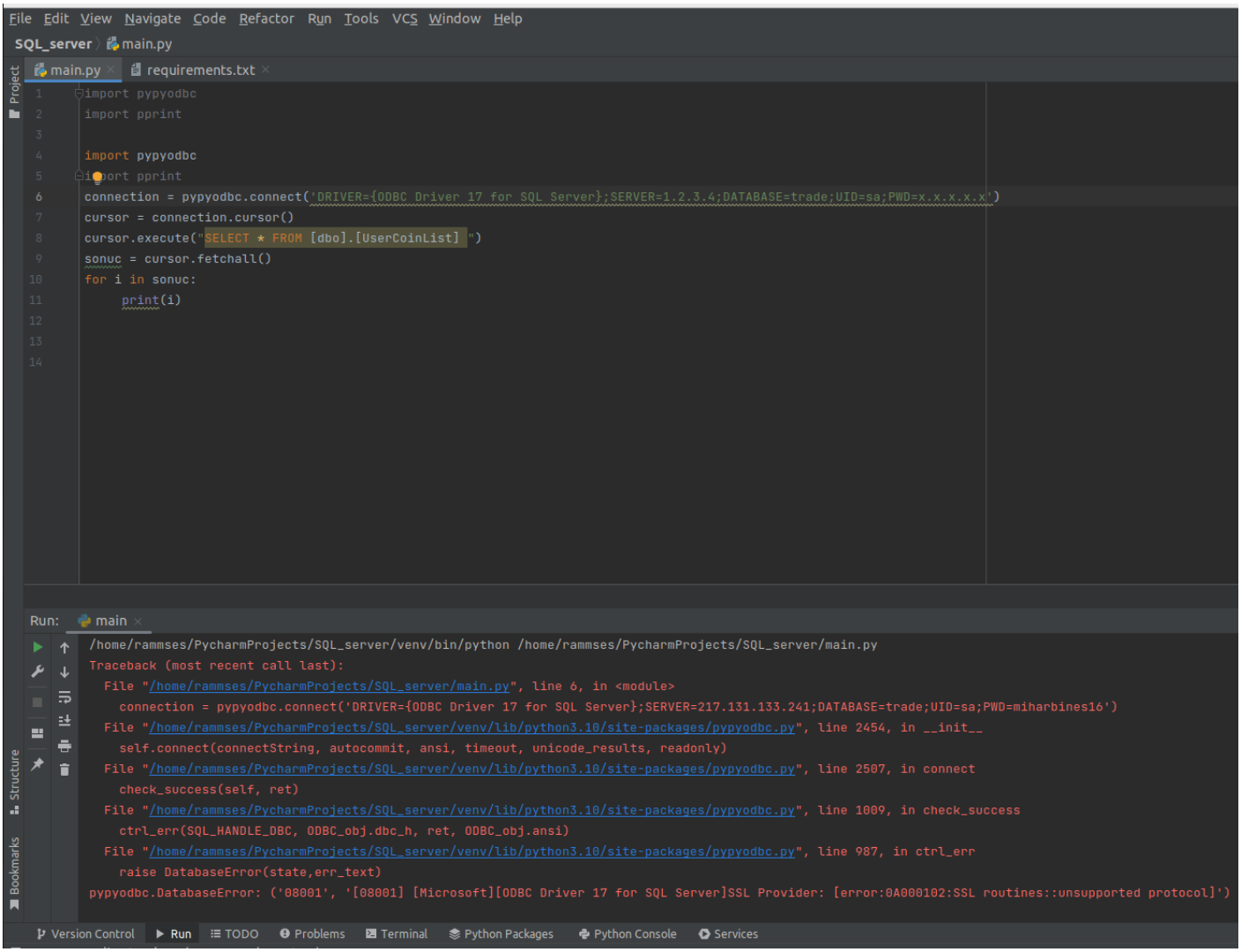
Output



2nd Problem

My friend was using MS SQL 2014 default install and TLS 1.0 was the only option from produced by MS SQL 2014, we had to install the latest service packs so it can support newer TLS version such as tls 1.2 or 1.3

here is the link for turkish one

After patching the server 2014, the connection got established and code worked as expected.

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