

README

TEAM: CARBON AGGREGATOR

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Welcome to the Team Carbon Aggregator's Final Project!

To run the Carbon Aggregator App Please follow these steps:

1. Make sure you have a stable internet connection.
2. If you don't already have anaconda and python installed on your machine, download and install Anaconda, which will also do a fresh install of python. Allow Anaconda to install all the default packages.
3. We assume that you have a Chrome web browser installed. If not, please download the latest version to your local machine.
4. In addition to the default packages, install the following packages to your 'base' environment, using in the Anaconda>Environments>Packages, or a pip install in the command line.

REQUIRED IMPORTS:

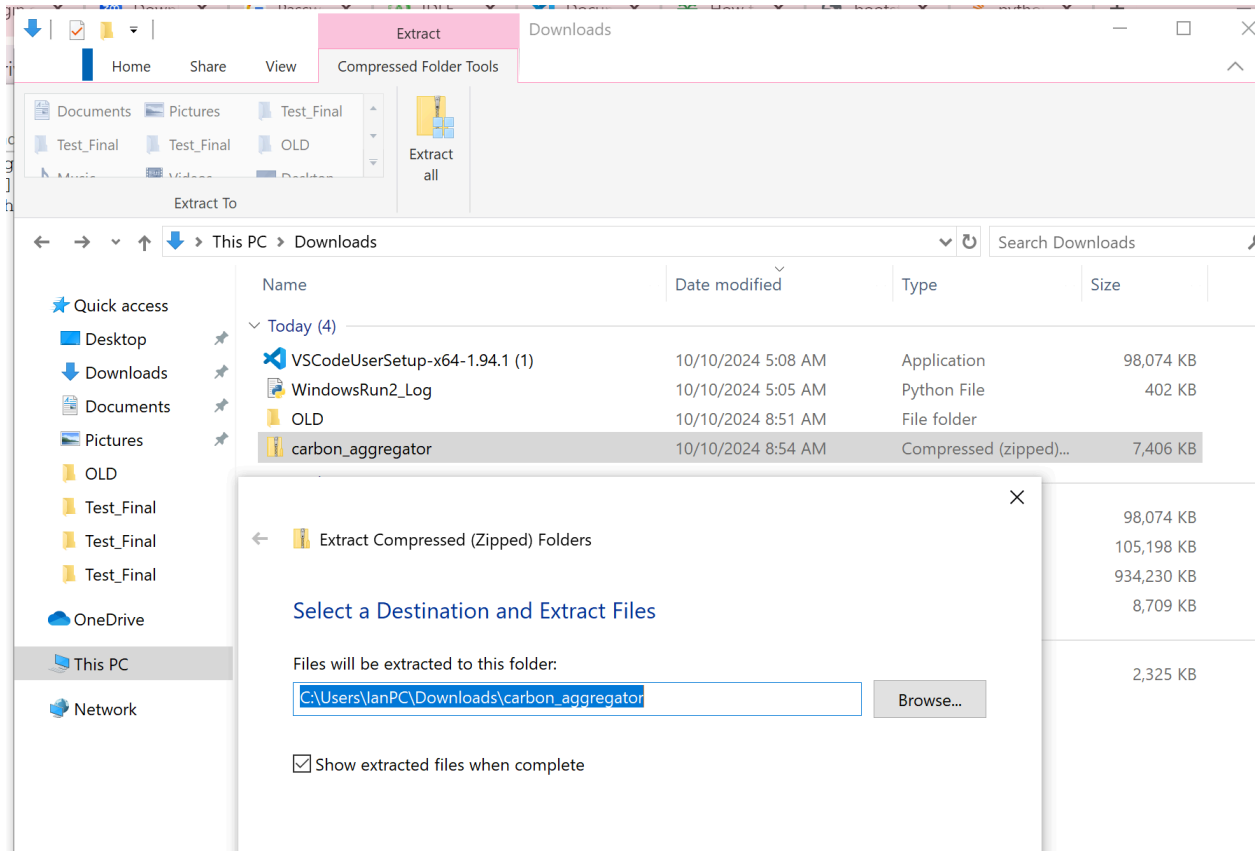
Selenium: run 'pip install selenium' from your Command Line

Chrome web driver manager run: 'pip install webdriver-manager' from your command line

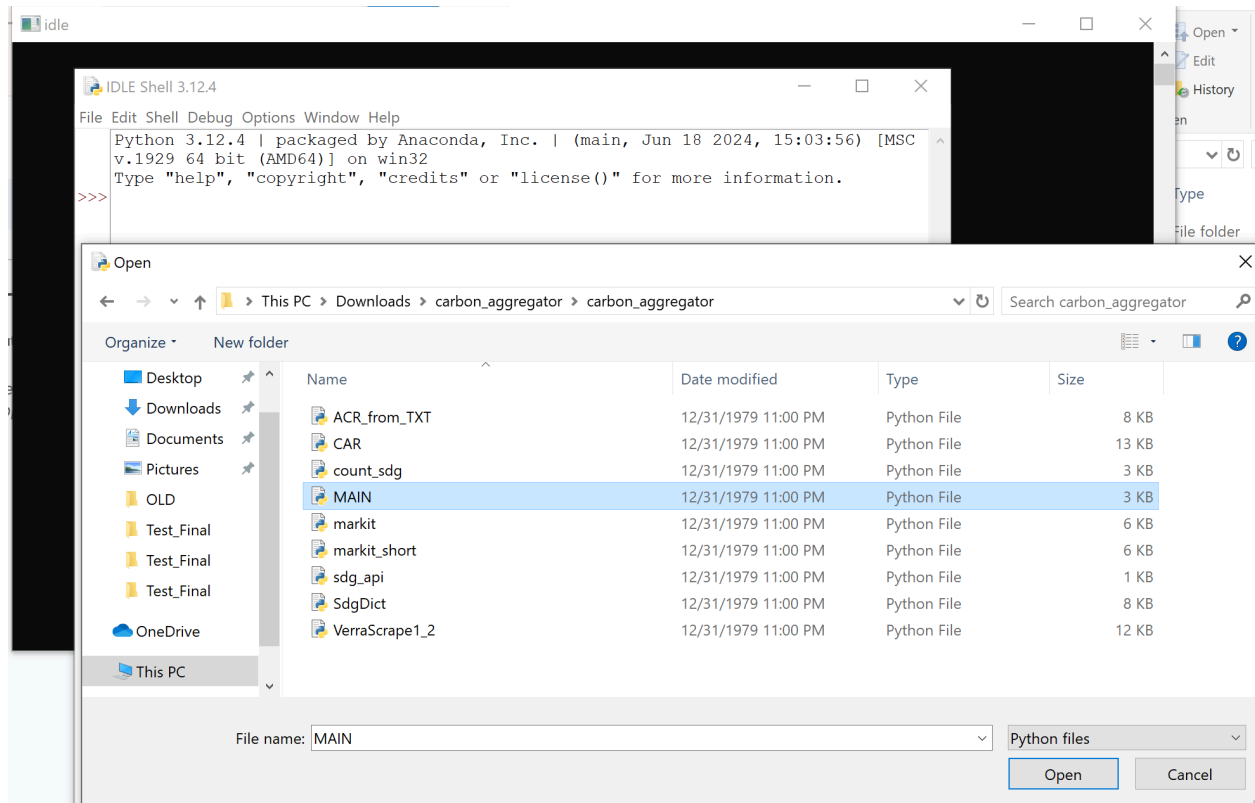
Pandas: run 'pip install pandas'

Requests: run 'pip install requests'

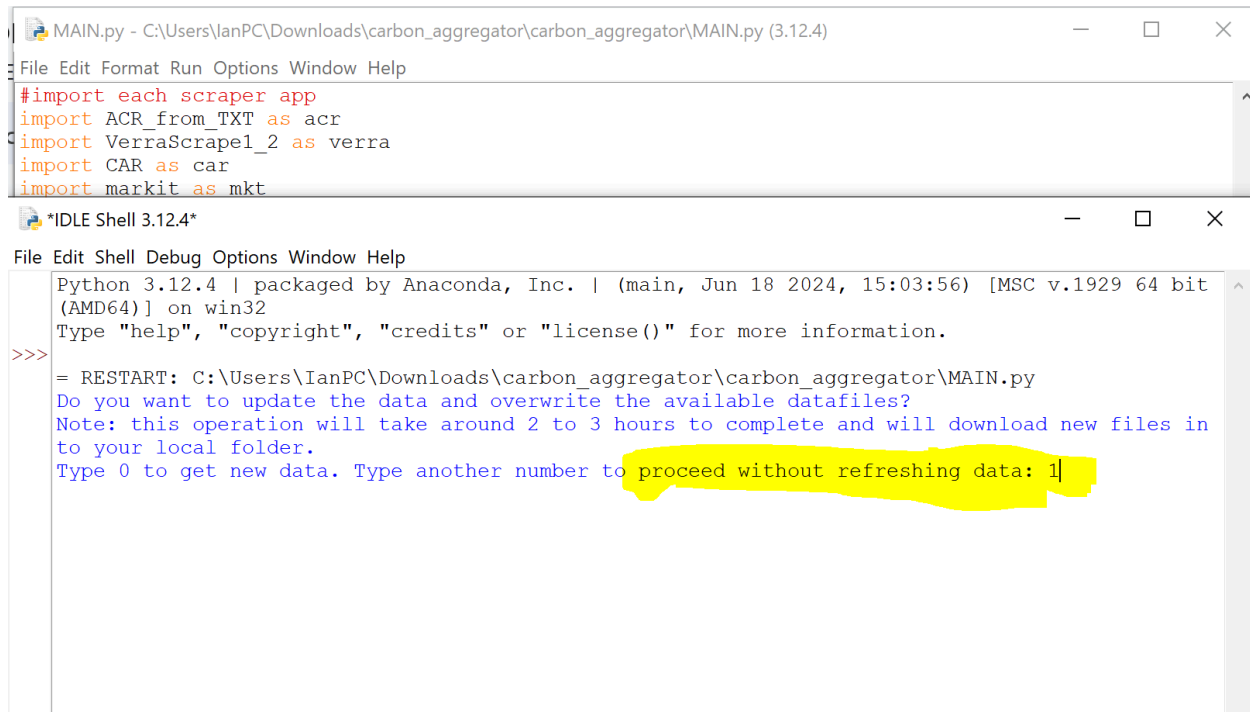
5. Download and unzip carbon_aggregator.zip to your downloads folder.
6. Unzip the folder



7. In idle, terminal, or your choice of an IDE, open or navigate to the folder and execute the MAIN.py python file (We have run successfully from VSCode, pyCharm, Spyder on a Mac, and in IDLE from a Windows machine).



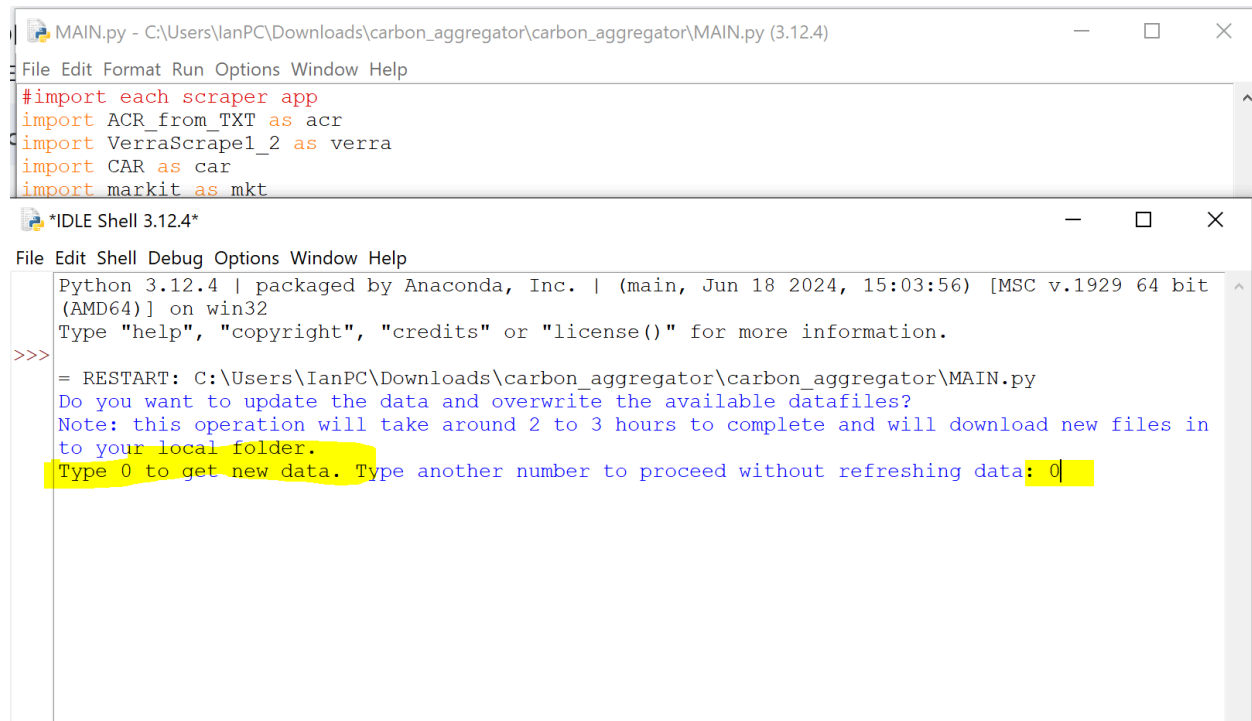
8. You will be asked whether you want to clean local data or scrape fresh data before cleaning.
 - a. OPTION 1: We recommend choosing this option on the first run. Enter any number key that is not 0 into the prompt. This will aggregate and format the data that has already been downloaded and is in the same folder as MAIN.py.



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MAIN.py - C:\Users\IanPC\Downloads\carbon_aggregator\carbon_aggregator\MAIN.py (3.12.4)
File Edit Format Run Options Window Help
#import each scraper app
import ACR_from_TXT as acr
import VerraScrapel_2 as verra
import CAR as car
import markit as mkt

*IDLE Shell 3.12.4*
File Edit Shell Debug Options Window Help
Python 3.12.4 | packaged by Anaconda, Inc. | (main, Jun 18 2024, 15:03:56) [MSC v.1929 64 bit (AMD64)] on win32
Type "help", "copyright", "credits" or "license()" for more information.
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= RESTART: C:\Users\IanPC\Downloads\carbon_aggregator\carbon_aggregator\MAIN.py
Do you want to update the data and overwrite the available datafiles?
Note: this operation will take around 2 to 3 hours to complete and will download new files in
to your local folder.
Type 0 to get new data. Type another number to proceed without refreshing data: 1
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- b. OPTION 2: If you want to download fresh data, before running MAIN.py you will need to move the sample data out of the carbon_aggregator folder so that the freshly scraped data can be placed there by the script. (This is not required on some machines, so you could try choosing '0' without removing the files).
- Move the following files out before choosing option '0' in the prompt:
- i. ACR_Projects.txt
 - ii. ACR_RetiredCredits.txt
 - iii. allprojects.csv
 - iv. vcus.csv
 - v. CAR_issued_projects_data.csv
 - vi. CAR_retired_projects_data.csv
 - vii. Mrk_projects.csv
 - viii. Country_codes.csv
- c. Once moved, you can select option '0' from the prompt to scrape fresh data. The rest of the application will run as normal, and output all_Markets.csv as described in step 7.



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9. When either type of run is finished, you should see the output all_Markets.csv in the carbon_aggregator folder. This contains the aggregated data file containing data for all carbon credit markets, that has been scraped and formatted, and is the input to the data visualization tool (see the visualization section below for more details).

10. For ease of viewing, check out our data visualization tool at <https://carbonoffsetregistries.streamlit.app/>
11. Please reach out to us if you have any issues running the application, we'll be happy to assist you. Thank you!

VISUALIZATION:

You can interact with the visualization for our pre-compiled data on streamlit.io at this url:

<https://carbonoffsetregistries.streamlit.app/>

INCLUDES:

1. Table of data from all four registries
2. Bar graph showing distribution of SDG for each registry
3. Table of SDGs and their descriptions
4. Filters and search bar interactions

HOW TO USE:

- 1. TO START, SELECT THE DESIRED LOCATION(S) ON THE SIDE TO SEE THE ASSOCIATED PROJECTS
- 2. Filter the project table and SDG distribution chart by registries
- 3. Filter the project table by location
- 4. Search numbers 1 to 17 in search bar to view projects for each SDG

Location

United States

Registry

CAR

MRK

ACR

VERRA

Carbon Offset Aggregator

This app aggregates and visualizes data from various Carbon Offset Registries. Click on the widgets below to learn more about the projects and the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) they fulfill.

Search by SDG number (e.g., 1, 2, 3)

	Registry	ID	Name	Type	Location	SDGs	Project Start Date	Credits issued	Credits Retire
0	CAR	CAR131	CE&S Di	Livestoc	United St	[9, 11, 1	9/26/2024	31,359	
1	CAR	CAR639	El Dorac	Nitric Ac	United St	[9, 12, 1	9/20/2024	85,148	232,54
2	CAR	CAR131	Lakevie	Livestoc	United St	[9, 11, 1	8/30/2024	26,033	
3	CAR	CAR140	Martell	Improv	United St	[6, 13, 1	7/26/2024	268,062	
4	CAR	CAR148	Phlogist	Adipic A	United St	[13, 3, 1	8/8/2024	1,253,154	

Location

United States

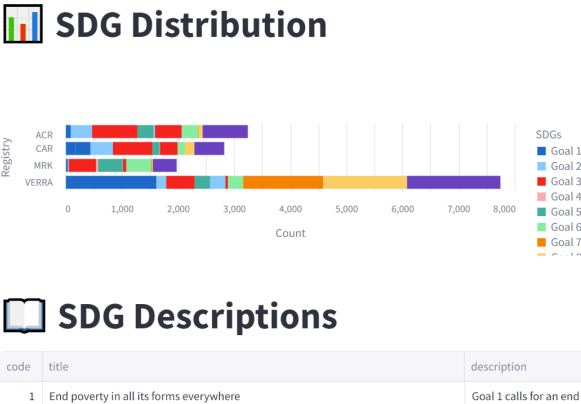
Registry

CAR

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ACR

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If you would like to update the visualization with new data locally, follow the steps below:

- 1. Download the repository from GitHub

<https://github.com/yxinzh/carbonoffset-dataset>

- 2. Run count_sdg.py from carbon_aggregator.zip (Note: make sure all_Markets.csv from MAIN.py is in the local folder). This will create a new csv named sdg_counts.csv in your local folder.
- 3. Go into the data folder in the repository folder you just downloaded and replace the old all_Markets.csv file and the old sdg_counts.csv file with their respective new ones.

4. Go into your command interface and navigate to the repository folder and run:
`streamlit run streamlit_app.py`
Example:

```
C:\Users\yzhen\Desktop\FL2024\pycharm\carbonoffset-dataset>streamlit run streamlit_app.py
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5. The app should run in your default browser