

# OKR for Terraforma Project A

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## Project A Description:

Project A: Use of agents and reasoning to validate monthly releases

### **Problem description**

Overture's monthly data releases require a robust and scalable validation process to ensure quality. Manually reviewing release statistics and historical data to detect anomalies is inefficient. We need to determine if an **AI agent-based approach** can provide more reliable and effective anomaly detection than traditional rule-based checks.

### **Proposed proof-of-concept (POC)**

We will develop a prototype **AI agent** that ingests and analyzes unstructured text-based release summary reports to detect and flag anomalies. We will compare the agent's performance against a baseline set of rule-based checks to assess its added value, reliability, and effectiveness in identifying data quality issues.

#### **Key questions**

- Does an agent-based approach add value compared to a rule-based system, and how reliable is it in comparison?
- Should the project begin with rule-based infrastructure before moving to AI agents?
- Can agents be used to infer the validation rules themselves?
- How should we define the scope? Should validation apply to aggregated statistics or at the individual feature level?

#### **Key deliverables**

- A functional **AI agent prototype** capable of parsing release summaries and flagging potential anomalies.
- A labeled dataset of anomalies for a sample release to serve as ground truth for evaluation.
- A **comparative analysis report** evaluating the performance of the AI agent against the rule-based approach.
- A recommendation on the feasibility and value of integrating an agent-based validation system into the release pipeline.

#### **Resources**

- Unstructured text file with release summary statistics reports and instructions.
- Historical release data for anomaly mining and comparison.

## Objectives:

1. Develop a reliable AI agent prototype to automate anomaly detection in Overture's monthly release validation process.
  2. Evaluate the AI agent's performance, reliability, and value versus traditional rule-based checks.
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## Key Results:

### For Objective 1: Prototype Development

- 1. Deliver a functional AI agent prototype capable of ingesting and parsing at least three months of release summaries.**
  - Must successfully ingest and parse  $\geq 90$  % of release summaries without errors.
  - End-to-end processing time  $\leq 10$  minutes per release cycle.
  - Successful run verified and documented by QA.
- 2. Enable the agent to detect anomalies in both aggregated statistics and feature-level metrics.**
  - Achieve  $\geq 80$  % detection accuracy on a labeled validation subset.
  - Cover  $\geq 95$  % of monitored features.
  - Maintain false-positive rate  $\leq 15$  %.
  - Validation results logged automatically and reviewed in two evaluation runs.
- 3. Build a labeled dataset of at least 500 anomalies to serve as ground truth for model evaluation.**
- 4. Integrate a rule-based baseline system to compare against the AI agent's performance.**

- Implement a baseline model that reproduces existing rule-based validation checks with  $\geq 95\%$  functional coverage.
- Ensure baseline execution time  $\leq 10$  minutes per release cycle.
- Record precision and recall metrics for both systems on the same labeled dataset (target: baseline precision  $\geq 80\%$ , recall  $\geq 60\%$ ).
- Document comparative performance results in the evaluation report.

**5. Ensure the prototype runs end-to-end without manual data preprocessing and demonstrates stable performance across multiple releases.**

- The prototype must complete end-to-end execution successfully on  $\geq 95\%$  of release datasets.
  - Processing time should remain consistent within  $\pm 20\%$  variance across runs.
  - The system must automatically handle data ingestion, validation, and anomaly output without human intervention.
  - Log all execution metrics (runtime, errors, data integrity checks) for each run.
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## **For Objective 2: Performance and Evaluation**

**6. Demonstrate consistent anomaly detection improvements over the rule-based baseline across multiple release periods.**

- Conduct an initial exploratory analysis to establish baseline precision, recall, and false-positive rates.
- Show measurable improvement in at least two consecutive release cycles for either precision, recall, or both (target improvement  $\geq 10\%$  over baseline).
- Document comparative performance curves and confidence intervals for each run.
- Summarize key insights on trade-offs between precision and recall in the final evaluation report.

- 7. Conduct at least 10 structured evaluation runs using different release data sets to ensure robustness.**
- 8. Produce a comparative analysis report summarizing key findings, limitations, and recommendations.**
  - Include quantitative comparison of AI agent vs. rule-based baseline on at least five key metrics (e.g., precision, recall, F1-score, latency, and coverage).
  - Highlight a minimum of three identified improvement areas and two documented limitations.
  - Ensure report completeness and clarity score  $\geq 4 / 5$  from peer review feedback.
  - Deliver the final version within two weeks of completing the tenth evaluation run.
- 9. Present results to stakeholders (data engineering + release QA) and gather at least two rounds of feedback.**
  - Conduct two formal presentation sessions (one initial, one follow-up after revisions).
  - Collect  $\geq 80$  % attendance from invited stakeholders in each session.
  - Capture all feedback items in a shared tracking document and implement or address  $\geq 90$  % of actionable comments.
  - Confirm stakeholder sign-off on final evaluation results within one week of the second session.