



SIGNALS: SYSTEM OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE MANUAL

Version x.X

1. System Architecture

Signals is a distributed intelligence platform consisting of four distinct layers:

- **Persistent Storage:** Parquet-based data lake for historical pricing and supply chain entities.
- **State Management:** Redis (Message Broker) for managing background task queues.
- **Inference Engine:** Machine Learning models (XGBoost/TFT) that generate risk probabilities.
- **Dispatch:** Notification systems (Slack/HTML) that deliver actionable insights.

2. Infrastructure Deployment (Initial Setup)

2.1 Virtual Environment

The system must run in an isolated environment to ensure library versions remain consistent.

1. Open Terminal.
2. Navigate to the project root: `cd signals`
3. Execute setup: `python3 setup_project.py`
4. Activate environment: `source venv/bin/activate`

2.2 The Message Broker (Redis)

The autonomous features require **Redis** to be active. This acts as the system's "short-term memory."

- **Command:** `docker-compose up -d`
- **Verification:** Run `docker ps`. Look for the image `redis:alpine` running on `0.0.0.0:6379`.
- **Note:** If you are not using Docker, run `brew install redis` and then `redis-server`.

3. Autonomous Mission Profile (Always-On Mode)

Once infrastructure is verified, the system is designed to run without human intervention. To engage the autonomous cycle, you must start the **Worker** and the **Beat Scheduler**.

1. **Command:** `./start_worker.sh`
2. **Expected Log Output:**
 - `[tasks] . run_weekly_pipeline`
 - `[tasks] . run_sentinel_watchdog`
 - `celery@machine ready.`

The Autonomous Schedule:

- **Hourly:** The **Sentinel** scans for supply chain disruptions (Factory Failures, FDA Warning Letters).
- **Weekly (Wednesday):** The system triggers the **Master Pipeline**: Ingest -> Feature Generation -> Prediction -> HTML Reporting.

4. Manual Override & Maintenance Procedures

If the autonomous scheduler is disengaged, or if an urgent out-of-cycle report is required, execute the following commands in exact order.

Step 1: Data Acquisition

Command: `python src/ingestion/nadac_ingest.py`

- **Function:** Connects to Medicaid.gov and downloads the latest National Average Drug Acquisition Cost (NADAC) file.
- **Expected Output:** A new file in `data/raw/` and updated `data/processed/nadac_history.parquet`.

Step 2: Signal Transformation

Command: `python src/features/signal_generator.py`

- **Function:** Calculates Velocity, Volatility, and Market Concentration (HHI) for every drug.
- **Verification:** Check console for "Features generated for X drugs."

Step 3: Report Synthesis

Command: `python src/reporting/generate_watchlist.py`

- **Function:** Loads the AI models, scores the new data, and builds the HTML Executive Briefing.
- **Safety Check:** If this script detects data older than 7 days, it will stamp the report with a **STALE DATA** warning.

5. Interpreting Deliverables

5.1 The Executive Risk Brief (.html)

This is the primary deliverable for management and clients.

- **The Risk Score (0.0 to 1.0):**
 - **> 0.8:** Imminent Price Spike. Immediate procurement recommended.
 - **0.5 - 0.7:** Developing Risk. Monitor daily.
- **Monopoly Index (HHI):** Measures how many companies make the drug. If this is high (e.g., > 0.6), a single factory failure will cause a total market collapse.

5.2 The Scorecard (.png)

- **Location:** reports/model_trust_score.png
- **Function:** Shows how well the AI predicted past events. If the line is trending downward, the model requires retraining.

MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

| Interval | Task | Command |
|-----------|----------------------|---|
| Weekly | Audit Model Accuracy | python src/evaluation/scorecard.py |
| Monthly | Retrain AI Brain | python src/models/train_model.py |
| As Needed | Reset Database | docker-compose down && docker-compose up -d |

APPENDIX A: COMPONENT DIRECTORY (FILE-BY-FILE EXPLANATION)

| File Path | Functional Description | Execution Frequency |
|-------------------------------------|---|---------------------|
| setup_project.py | Installs dependencies and creates the folder structure. | Once (Setup) |
| src/ingestion/nadac_ingest.py | Primary pricing data extractor. Connects to the Medicaid API. | Weekly |
| src/ingestion/sentinel_ingest.py | Scans RSS feeds and FDA sites for news-based risks. | Hourly |
| src/features/signal_generator.py | Turns raw prices into mathematical "signals" (trends). | Weekly |
| src/models/train_model.py | The logic for training the XGBoost "Price Spike" model. | Quarterly |
| src/tasks/celery_app.py | The air-traffic controller. Sets the automation schedule. | Always On |
| src/tasks/sentinel_tasks.py | Checks for supply chain events and triggers Slack alerts. | Hourly |
| src/reporting/generate_watchlist.py | Generates the final, human-readable HTML/CSV reports. | Weekly |
| src/evaluation/scorecard.py | Audits the AI by comparing old guesses to new prices. | Weekly |
| src/utils/notifications.py | Handles the logic for sending messages to Slack/Teams. | Event-Driven |
| start_worker.sh | Bash script to launch the background processes. | Always On |
| docker-compose.yml | Defines the Redis container configuration. | Always On |

APPENDIX B: SYSTEM DIAGNOSTICS

| Symptom | Probable Cause | Corrective Action |
|------------------------------|--|--|
| "Connection Refused" (Redis) | Redis container is not running. | Run docker-compose up -d. |
| "No Critical Risks Found" | Probability threshold is set too high. | Adjust min_score in generate_watchlist.py. |
| Report says "Data Stale" | nadac_ingest has not run recently. | Run Manual Override (Section 4). |

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| Slack alerts fail | Environment variable is missing. | Verify SLACK_WEBHOOK_URL in .env. |