

Documentation on Netscore.ai

1. Software Prerequisites

- **Python** (version 3.7 or higher): Required for running the Flask application.
 - **Flask**: For creating the backend API.
 - **Pandas**: For data processing and querying.
 - **NumPy**: For numerical operations in data processing (if required).
 - **OpenAI Python SDK**: For integrating GPT-based responses.
 - **Web Browser**: For testing the frontend UI.
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2. Dependencies

Install the required Python libraries using pip:

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pip install flask pandas NumPy OpenAI
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Additional optional libraries for development:

- **Jinja2** (bundled with Flask): For rendering templates.
- **Bootstrap**: For styling the frontend UI.
- **JavaScript Libraries**:
 - jQuery (already included in the example).
 - Font Awesome (for icons).

3. Files and Folders

Ensure the following files and structure are present:

- **Flask App:**
 - app.py: Contains the Flask backend logic.
 - templates/: Folder containing the HTML templates:
 - index.html: Main chatbot interface.
 - config.html: Configuration page for file path and API key.
 - static/: Folder containing static assets like CSS, JS, and images:
 - styles.css: Custom styling.
 - script.js: JavaScript functionality for the chatbot.
 - **Dataset File:**
 - A CSV file with data to be queried (provided dynamically during configuration).
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4. OpenAI API Key

- An active **OpenAI account**.
 - An **API key** from OpenAI, required for accessing GPT models.
 - Configure the API key securely in the application (provided during the configuration step).
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5. Hardware Requirements

- A system capable of running Python with at least:
 - 4GB of RAM (for small datasets).
 - Higher RAM and processing power for larger datasets.

6. Development Environment

(Optional but recommended):

- **Code Editor:** Visual Studio Code (VS Code) or PyCharm.
 - **Python Virtual Environment:** To manage dependencies.
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7. Environment Variables (Optional)

For security and convenience:

- Store sensitive keys (e.g., OpenAI API key) in a .env file using packages like python-dotenv.
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8. Web Server (Optional for Deployment)

To deploy the Flask app for production:

- Use **gunicorn** (Linux) or **Waitress** (Windows).
 - Consider hosting on platforms like **Heroku**, **AWS**, or **Google Cloud**.
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9. Frontend Compatibility

Ensure the frontend runs properly across popular web browsers:

- Chrome, Firefox, Edge, Safari.
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10. Debugging Tools

- Use Flask's debug=True for testing locally.
- Browser developer tools for inspecting UI issues.