Technical Interview Project: Al Agent for Workflow State Generation

Role: Infrastructure/Backend/DevOps Applicant

Submission Deadline: August 6, 2025-----Project Goal

The primary goal of this project is to develop an AI agent capable of generating workflow `state` and `blocks` (as defined in the provided schema and example `state` object) based on data that would reside in database tables equivalent to `workflow_blocks_rows` and `workflow_rows`.

This project aims to assess your skills in backend development, data processing, infrastructure design, and your ability to leverage AI/ML concepts for practical application.

Project Description:

You are tasked with building an AI agent (or a system that leverages AI techniques) that can construct the `state` object for a workflow, specifically populating the `blocks` section of that `state`. The agent should fetch information from PostgreSQL tables (`workflow_blocks_rows` and `workflow_rows`) which are structured similarly to the provided CSV files.

The `workflow` table schema and an example `state` object (including a `starter` block) are provided in the attached document. Your agent should be able to intelligently interpret the data from these database tables to generate a valid `state` object, focusing on the `blocks` and their properties (e.g., `id`, `type`, `name`, `position`, `subBlocks`, `outputs`, `enabled`, etc.).Provided Resources

- 1. `Technical document`: This document contains:
 - The schema for the `public.workflow` table.
- 2. `workflow_blocks_rows.csv`: This file serves as a guideline for the structure of a PostgreSQL table (`workflow_blocks_rows`) containing information about individual workflow blocks.
- 3. `workflow_rows.csv`: This file serves as a guideline for the structure of a PostgreSQL table (`workflow_rows`) containing higher-level workflow information.

Requirements

- 1. **Backend Application:** Develop a backend application (e.g., in Python, Node.js, Go, Java, etc.) that will house your Al agent.
- 2. **Database Interaction:** The application should be able to connect to a PostgreSQL database (e.g., Supabase) and query data from tables named `workflow_blocks_rows` and `workflow_rows`. You should assume these tables are populated with data.
- 3. Al Agent Logic: Implement the core logic of the Al agent. This agent should:
 - Query the necessary data from the `workflow_blocks_rows` and `workflow_rows` tables.

- Intelligently map database columns to the properties within the `state` and `blocks` JSON structure.
- Generate a complete and valid `state` JSON object, paying close attention to the `blocks` array.
- Handle different block types (at a minimum, be able to generate the `starter` block as shown in the example).
- Consider how to handle dynamic `subBlocks` and `outputs` based on block types.
- 4. **Database Persistence:** Once the workflow state is generated, push the resulting `workflow` row (including the generated `state` JSON) to a `public.workflow` table in a Supabase (or any PostgreSQL equivalent) database. You should create appropriate tables in the database to store this data, aligning with the provided schema.
- 5. **Error Handling:** Implement robust error handling for scenarios like missing database records, invalid data, or unparseable inputs.
- 6. **Containerization (DevOps Aspect):** Containerize your application using Docker. Provide a `Dockerfile` and instructions for building and running the container.
- 7. **Deployment Considerations (Discussion Point)**: Discuss how you would deploy this application in a production environment (e.g., Kubernetes, serverless, etc.), including considerations for scalability, reliability, and security.

Deliverables

- 1. `README.md`: A comprehensive `README.md` file with the following sections:
 - **Project Overview:** A brief description of the project.
 - Setup and Installation: Clear instructions on how to set up and run your application locally.
 - Usage: How to use your API (if applicable) and trigger the state generation process.
 - Database Setup: Instructions for setting up the Supabase/PostgreSQL database and table schemas (`workflow_blocks_rows`, `workflow_rows`, and `public.workflow`). Include DDL for these tables.
 - Design Choices: Explanation of your technical decisions, including the choice of language, frameworks, and how your Al agent logic works.
 - **Testing Strategy:** How you approached testing your application.
 - Deployment Considerations: Your thoughts on deploying this solution to production.
 - Assumptions: Any assumptions you made regarding the database data structure or the `state` object.
 - Future Improvements: Ideas for enhancing the agent or the system.
- 2. **Sample Data (SQL Inserts):** Provide SQL insert statements for a few sample rows in your `workflow_blocks_rows` and `workflow_rows` tables that your agent can process and use to generate a workflow state.

Evaluation Criteria

Your project will be evaluated based on the following:

- Correctness and Completeness: Does the AI agent correctly generate the `state` and `blocks` JSON based on the database input, adhering to the provided schema and example?
- Code Quality: Readability, maintainability, modularity, and adherence to best practices.
- System Design: Scalability, robustness, and efficiency of your backend application.
- Al Agent Logic: The intelligence and extensibility of your approach to mapping database data to JSON structure.
- **Database Integration:** Correctness of database interaction (reading from and writing to PostgreSQL).
- **Testing:** Quality and coverage of your unit tests.
- **DevOps Practices:** Correct use of Docker, clarity of deployment considerations.
- **Documentation:** Clarity, thoroughness, and organization of your `README.md`.
- **Problem-Solving:** Your approach to handling potential ambiguities or complexities in the data mapping.

Submission Instructions

Please submit your README by **August 6, 2025**. We will schedule a call as soon as we've reviewed your submission so we can discuss your implementation.

Good luck! We look forward to seeing your innovative solution.

Schema:

```
create table public.workflow (
 id text not null.
 user id text not null,
 workspace id text null,
 folder id text null,
 name text not null,
 description text null,
 state ison not null,
 color text not null default '#3972F6'::text,
 last synced timestamp without time zone not null,
 created at timestamp without time zone not null,
 updated at timestamp without time zone not null,
 is deployed boolean not null default false,
 deployed state ison null,
 deployed_at timestamp without time zone null,
 collaborators json not null default '[]'::json,
 run count integer not null default 0,
 last_run_at timestamp without time zone null,
 variables json null default '{}'::json,
 is published boolean not null default false,
 marketplace_data json null,
 constraint workflow pkey primary key (id),
 constraint workflow folder id workflow folder id fk foreign KEY (folder id) references
workflow_folder (id) on delete set null,
 constraint workflow user id user id fk foreign KEY (user id) references "user" (id) on delete
CASCADE,
 constraint workflow workspace id workspace id fk foreign KEY (workspace id) references
workspace (id) on delete CASCADE
) TABLESPACE pg_default;
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```
create table public.workflow_blocks (
id text not null,
workflow_id text not null,
type text not null,
name text not null,
position_x numeric not null,
position_y numeric not null,
enabled boolean not null default true,
horizontal_handles boolean not null default false,
advanced_mode boolean not null default false,
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height numeric not null default '0'::numeric, sub_blocks jsonb not null default '{}'::jsonb, outputs jsonb not null default '{}'::jsonb, data jsonb null default '{}'::jsonb, parent_id text null, extent text null, created_at timestamp without time zone not null default now(), updated_at timestamp without time zone not null default now(), constraint workflow_blocks_pkey primary key (id), constraint workflow_blocks_workflow_id_workflow_id_fk foreign KEY (workflow_id) references workflow (id) on delete CASCADE
) TABLESPACE pg_default;
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create index IF not exists workflow_blocks_workflow_id_idx on public.workflow_blocks using btree (workflow_id) TABLESPACE pg_default;

create index IF not exists workflow_blocks_parent_id_idx on public.workflow_blocks using btree (parent_id) TABLESPACE pg_default;

create index IF not exists workflow_blocks_workflow_parent_idx on public.workflow_blocks using btree (workflow_id, parent_id) TABLESPACE pg_default;

create index IF not exists workflow_blocks_workflow_type_idx on public.workflow_blocks using btree (workflow id, type) TABLESPACE pg_default;