# Implement a URL Shortener with Expiry and Analytics

**Objective**: Build a Python-based URL shortener system that shortens URLs, tracks usage analytics, and allows for link expiration.

# **Requirements:**

#### 1. Core Functionality:

- Create a shortened URL for any given long URL.
- Each shortened URL should be unique and have a base URL (e.g., https://short.ly/abc123).

## 2. Expiry:

- o Allow users to specify an expiration time for the shortened URL (in hours).
- o If no expiry is set, default to 24 hours.
- o Ensure expired URLs no longer redirect to the original URL.

#### 3. Analytics:

- Track the number of times each shortened URL has been accessed.
- Log the timestamp and IP address of each access.

#### 4. Storage:

- Use a simple database (SQLite) to store:
  - Original URL.
  - Shortened URL.
  - Creation timestamp.
  - Expiration timestamp.
  - Access logs (shortened URL, timestamp, IP address).

#### CLI or API:

- Provide a command-line interface (CLI) or a simple REST API with endpoints for:
  - POST /shorten: Create a shortened URL.
  - GET /<short\_url>: Redirect to the original URL if not expired.
  - GET /analytics/<short\_url>: Retrieve analytics data for a specific shortened URL.

#### 6. Constraints:

- Ensure the same long URL always generates the same shortened URL (idempotent).
- o Validate input URLs to ensure they are well-formed.
- Use modular code to allow easy expansion of features in the future.

## **Bonus:**

- Use hashlib to create a hash-based short URL identifier.
- Add optional password protection for accessing certain shortened URLs.

# **Deliverables:**

- Python code implementing the system.
- A SQLite database with example data.
- A README with clear instructions to run the application.