# MT&L Trucking CLI TOOL

This is a Python Command Line Tool for updating the Dispatch Tracking Google Sheets spreadsheet with the goal of calculating the salary payout of the driver and the contractor. In addition to the updates to the spreadsheet, google docs pay statements are also being created for the driver and contractor. Ultimately this tool is supposed to automate the work associated with preparing payroll documents.

# **Prerequisites**

Operating System: MacOS (preferred), Windows, Linux

**Interpreter**: Python 3.13 or later

Version Control: Git

## Installation

Currently only installation from source in supported, below are the the steps

1. Download the repository from the github repository using ssh or https or download the zip file

#### Using ssh

(base) tkucherera:MTL-TruckingS git clone git@github.com:Tkucherera/MTL\_Trucking.git

For more detailed information on cloning repositories you can visit this link here:

2. Once the repository has been downloaded change into the directory

(base) Tinashes:~\$ cd MTL Trucking/

### 3. Inside the directory the structure should be like this

```
(base) Tinashes:NTL_Trucking$ ls -ltr

total 24
-rw-r--r- 1 tinashekucherera staff 173 Jan 15 21:42 args_example.json

drwxr-xr-x 4 tinashekucherera staff 128 Jan 15 21:42 config
-rw-r--r- 1 tinashekucherera staff 1995 Jan 15 21:42 mtl.1
-rw-r--r- 1 tinashekucherera staff 510 Jan 15 21:42 requirements.txt

drwxr-xr-x 3 tinashekucherera staff 96 Jan 15 21:42 src
```

### 4. Create a python 3.13 virtual environment

```
(base) Tinashes:MTL_Trucking$ python3.13 -m venv venv
(base) Tinashes:MTL_Trucking$ ls -ltr
total 24
-rw-r--r-- 1 tinashekucherera staff 173 Jan 15 21:42 args_example.json
drwxr-xr-x 4 tinashekucherera staff 128 Jan 15 21:42 config
-rw-r--r-- 1 tinashekucherera staff 1995 Jan 15 21:42 mtl.1
-rw-r--r-- 1 tinashekucherera staff 510 Jan 15 21:42 requirements.txt
drwxr-xr-x 3 tinashekucherera staff 96 Jan 15 21:42 src
drwxr-xr-x 7 tinashekucherera staff 224 Jan 15 21:47 venv
```

### 5. Create a log directory

```
(base) Tinashes:MTL_Trucking$ mkdir log
```

#### 6. Activate the the Virtual Environment

```
(base) Tinashes:MTL_Trucking$ source venv/bin/activate
```

#### 7. Install the required packages

```
(venv) (base) Tinashes-MacBook-Air:MTL_Trucking tinashekucherera$ pip install -r requirements.txt
```

#### 8. Installation is done.

# Setup

#### **Configuring the SpreadSheetId**

In the base directory MTL\_Trucking there should be a config directory

```
(base) Tinashes:MTL_Trucking$ ls -ltr
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```

Inside that directory there should be a spreadsheet file. Open that file and add the Id of the dispatch tracker spreadsheet. The spreadsheetId should be added as one line.

Note: the spreadsheet id is in the url of the google sheet when opened in the browser

#### **Configuring the credentials.json**

To be able to add credentials there is fairly an amount of work to get the credentials before you can add them. The steps are below.

- 1. On another note reach out to developers to get credentials.
- 2. Once you have the credentials

# **Usage**

Note: its advisable to add the MTL\_Trucking directory to path.

To add to Path in MacOS in bash:

```
PATH-$PATH:/path/to/MTL_Trucking/src/mtl_cli
```

Also go to the command line and replace the relative import with the absolute path to the virtual environment python interpreter

```
#!/Users/tinashekucherera/MTL_Trucking/venv/bin/python3.13
__author__ = 'tkucherera'
```

Replace the line in red with the line in green and you should now be able to run cli tool from anywhere in your environment

```
#!/Users/tinashekucherera/MTL_Trucking/venv/bin/python3.13
__author__ = 'tkucherera'
```

Otherwise you can also go into the directory to run the script or use the fully qualified path the execute.

```
(base) Tinashes:~ $ mtl.py
usage: mtl.py [-h] (-t TRUCKERS) [-d DATE] [-l LOADS] [-p] [-e .env] [-j args.json]
This cli is used for making payroll calculations the <truckers> is required arg
options:
 -h, --help
                     show this help message and exit
  -t, --truckers TRUCKERS
                      Comma separated list of drivers: sheetname with the sheet parsed as well: driver_percentage
 -d, --date DATE
                     The pay date (should be a friday)
 -1, --loads LOADS The name of the sheet with all the trips default is Trip Sheet
 -p, --prompt
                     Prompt for the required variables interactively
  -e, --environment .env
                      Use an environment file to parse required arguments
 -j, --json args.json Use a json formatted file to parse required arguments (recommended)
```