Technical Specifications Document

AI-Powered Research Agent with RAG Capabilities

Document Information

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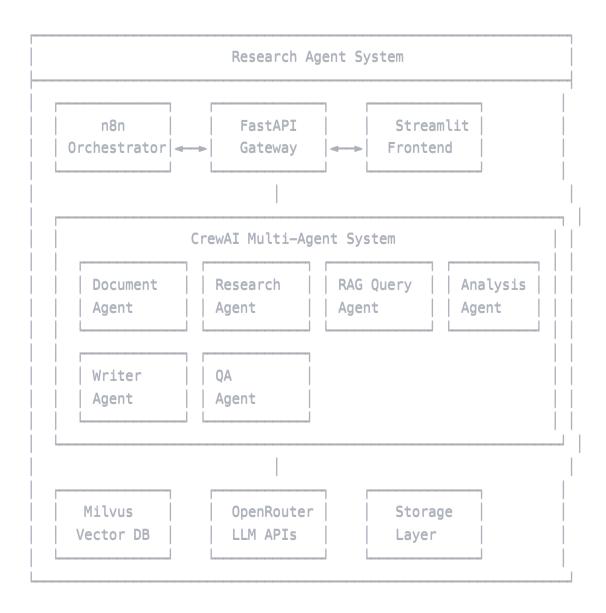
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1. System Architecture

1.1 High-Level Architecture Diagram



1.2 Component Architecture

1.2.1 Presentation Layer

- Streamlit Frontend: Interactive web interface for Version 1.0
- REST API Gateway: FastAPI-based service layer
- n8n Orchestrator: Workflow automation and integration hub

1.2.2 Application Layer

- CrewAl Framework: Multi-agent coordination and task management
- Agent Services: Specialized microservices for specific research tasks
- Task Queue: Asynchronous job processing with Celery

1.2.3 Data Layer

- Milvus Vector Database: Embedding storage and similarity search
- SQLite/PostgreSQL: Metadata, job status, and user data
- File Storage: Document repository and report artifacts

1.2.4 Integration Layer

- OpenRouter API: Multi-LLM access and management
- Web Scraping Services: Content extraction and processing
- Document Processing: PDF, DOCX, TXT parsing and chunking

2. Agent Specifications

2.1 Agent Communication Protocol

```
# Standard Agent Message Format
{
    "agent_id": "string",
    "task_id": "string",
    "message_type": "request|response|status",
    "payload": {
        "data": {},
        "metadata": {},
        "context": []
    },
    "timestamp": "ISO-8601",
    "priority": "low|medium|high"
```

2.2 Document Processing Agent

Technical Specifications:

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- Input: File uploads (PDF, DOCX, TXT)
- **Processing**: PyMuPDF4LLM for clean text extraction
- **Chunking**: RecursiveCharacterTextSplitter (chunk_size=1000, overlap=200)
- Embeddings: sentence-transformers (all-MiniLM-L6-v2) FREE local embeddings
- **LLM**: Ollama llama3.1:8b for content classification and metadata extraction
- Output: Vector embeddings stored in Milvus collection

Implementation Details:

```
from sentence_transformers import SentenceTransformer
import ollama
class DocumentProcessingAgent:
   def init (self):
        # Free local embeddings
        self.embeddings = SentenceTransformer('all-MiniLM-L6-v2')
        self.llm_model = "llama3.1:8b" # Local Ollama model
        self.vector_store = Milvus(
            embedding_function=self.embeddings,
           connection_args={"host": "localhost", "port": "19530"}
        )
   def process_document(self, file_path: str) -> Dict:
       # Extract text using PyMuPDF4LLM
        chunks = self.chunk_document(file_path)
       # Generate embeddings locally (FREE)
        embeddings = self.embeddings.encode(chunks)
       # Extract metadata using local LLM (FREE)
       metadata = ollama.chat(
           model=self.llm model.
           messages=[{"role": "user", "content": f"Extract key metadata from: {chunks
        return {"chunks": chunks, "embeddings": embeddings, "metadata": metadata}
```

2.3 Web Research Agent

Technical Specifications:

- Search APIs: Brave Search API (free tier), SerpAPI (fallback)
- Content Extraction: Jina Reader API (free tier) + local parsing
- LLM Processing: Ollama gemma2:9b for content analysis and source validation
- Rate Limiting: 10 requests/minute per API
- **Deduplication**: Content hashing and local similarity detection
- Output: Structured research data with source metadata

Web Scraping Configuration:

```
import ollama
SCRAPING_CONFIG = {
    "user_agent": "ResearchAgent/1.0",
   "timeout": 30,
   "max retries": 3.
   "rate_limit": 1.0, # seconds between requests
   "allowed_domains": ["*"], # Configurable whitelist
   "content_types": ["text/html", "application/pdf"]
}
class WebResearchAgent:
   def __init__(self):
        self.llm_model = "gemma2:9b" # Local model for analysis
   def analyze_source_credibility(self, content: str, url: str) -> float:
        prompt = f"""Analyze the credibility of this source:
       URL: {url}
       Content preview: {content[:500]}
        Rate credibility from 0.0 to 1.0 and explain."""
        response = ollama.chat(
            model=self.llm model.
           messages=[{"role": "user", "content": prompt}]
        return self.extract_credibility_score(response)
```

2.4 RAG Query Agent

Technical Specifications:

- Vector Search: Milvus similarity search with configurable top_k
- **Embeddings**: Local sentence-transformers (all-MiniLM-L6-v2) FREE
- Hybrid Search: Combines semantic and keyword matching
- LLM Processing: Ollama qwen2.5:14b for context synthesis and query understanding
- Context Window: Dynamic context assembly based on query complexity

Search Strategy:

```
python
import ollama
from sentence_transformers import SentenceTransformer
class RAGQueryAgent:
   def init (self):
        self.embeddings = SentenceTransformer('all-MiniLM-L6-v2')
        self.llm_model = "qwen2.5:14b" # Excellent for reasoning and synthesis
   def hybrid_search(self, query: str, top_k: int = 10):
        # Generate query embedding locally (FREE)
        query_embedding = self.embeddings.encode([query])
       # Semantic search using local embeddings
        semantic_results = self.vector_store.similarity_search(
            query_embedding, k=top_k
       # Keyword search
        keyword_results = self.keyword_search(query, k=top_k)
       # Use local LLM to synthesize and rerank results (FREE)
        synthesis prompt = f"""
       Analyze these search results for query: "{query}"
        Semantic results: {semantic_results[:3]}
        Keyword results: {keyword_results[:3]}
        Rank by relevance and synthesize key findings.
        0.00
        synthesis = ollama.chat(
```

2.5 Analysis Agent

Technical Specifications:

• Primary LLM: Ollama llama3.1:70b for complex analysis and pattern recognition

messages=[{"role": "user", "content": synthesis_prompt}]

• Fallback LLM: Ollama gemma2:27b for moderate complexity tasks

return self.parse_synthesis_results(synthesis)

model=self.llm_model,

- **Premium LLM**: Claude 3.5 Sonnet via OpenRouter (only for critical business reports)
- Context Management: Handles large contexts with local processing
- Pattern Recognition: Advanced reasoning with local models
- Source Validation: Cross-references multiple sources using local LLM inference

Implementation Strategy:

```
python
import ollama
class AnalysisAgent:
    def __init__(self):
        self.primary_model = "llama3.1:70b"  # Best local reasoning
self.fallback_model = "gemma2:27b"  # Faster alternative
                                                  # Best local reasoning
        self.premium_model = "claude-3.5-sonnet" # Only for critical tasks
    def analyze_findings(self, research_data: Dict, complexity: str = "standard"):
        if complexity == "critical" and self.budget_allows_premium():
            # Use premium model only for critical business reports
            return self.premium_analysis(research_data)
        elif complexity == "complex":
            # Use best local model for complex analysis
            return self.local_analysis(research_data, self.primary_model)
        else:
            # Use faster local model for standard analysis
            return self.local_analysis(research_data, self.fallback_model)
    def local_analysis(self, data: Dict, model: str) -> Dict:
        prompt = f"""
        Analyze the following research findings and identify:
        1. Key patterns and trends
        2. Contradictions or gaps
        3. Strategic insights
        4. Recommendations
        Research Data: {data}
        .....
        response = ollama.chat(
            model=model,
            messages=[{"role": "user", "content": prompt}]
```

2.6 Report Writer Agent

Technical Specifications:

• **Primary LLM**: Ollama qwen2.5:14b (excellent writing capabilities)

return self.parse_analysis_response(response)

- Professional Reports: Ollama llama3.1:70b for complex business reports
- **Premium Polish**: Claude 3.5 Sonnet via OpenRouter (only for final executive reports)
- **Templates**: Configurable report structures (Executive, Technical, Research)
- Citation Format: APA, MLA, Chicago style support
- Output Formats: Markdown, PDF (via WeasyPrint), DOCX
- Quality Metrics: Local readability analysis and citation validation

Implementation Strategy:

```
import ollama
class ReportWriterAgent:
   def __init__(self):
        self.writing_model = "qwen2.5:14b"
                                                  # Excellent writing
        self.business_model = "llama3.1:70b"
                                                # Complex business logic
        self.premium_model = "claude-3.5-sonnet" # Final polish only
   def generate_report(self, analysis_data: Dict, report_type: str = "standard"):
        if report_type == "executive" and self.is_client_facing():
            # Use premium model for client-facing executive reports
            draft = self.local_report_generation(analysis_data, self.business_model)
            return self.premium_polish(draft)
        elif report type == "business":
            # Use best local model for business reports
            return self.local_report_generation(analysis_data, self.business_model)
        else:
            # Use efficient writing model for standard reports
            return self.local_report_generation(analysis_data, self.writing_model)
   def local_report_generation(self, data: Dict, model: str) -> str:
        prompt = f"""
        Create a professional research report with:

    Executive Summary

       2. Key Findings
       3. Detailed Analysis
       4. Recommendations
        Source Citations
       Analysis Data: {data}
        Format: Professional business report
        0.000
        response = ollama.chat(
            model=model.
           messages=[{"role": "user", "content": prompt}]
        return response['message']['content']
```

3. Database Design

3.1 Vector Database Schema (Milvus)

```
python
# Document Collection Schema
DOCUMENT_COLLECTION_SCHEMA = {
    "collection_name": "research_documents",
    "fields": [
        {"name": "id", "type": "INT64", "is_primary": True, "auto_id": True},
        {"name": "document_id", "type": "VARCHAR", "max_length": 100},
        {"name": "chunk_id", "type": "VARCHAR", "max_length": 100},
        {"name": "embedding", "type": "FLOAT_VECTOR", "dim": 1536},
        {"name": "text_content", "type": "VARCHAR", "max_length": 2000},
        {"name": "metadata", "type": "JSON"}
    ],
    "index_params": {
        "index_type": "IVF_FLAT",
        "metric_type": "COSINE",
        "params": {"nlist": 1024}
    }
}-
```

3.2 Relational Database Schema (SQLite/PostgreSQL)

```
-- Research Jobs Table
CREATE TABLE research_jobs (
    id SERIAL PRIMARY KEY,
    job_id VARCHAR(100) UNIQUE NOT NULL,
    topic VARCHAR(500) NOT NULL,
    status VARCHAR(50) DEFAULT 'pending',
    created_at TIMESTAMP DEFAULT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP,
    completed_at TIMESTAMP,
    config JSON,
   results JSON
);
-- Documents Table
CREATE TABLE documents (
    id SERIAL PRIMARY KEY,
    document_id VARCHAR(100) UNIQUE NOT NULL,
    filename VARCHAR(500),
    file_size INTEGER,
    content_type VARCHAR(100),
    upload_date TIMESTAMP DEFAULT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP,
    processing_status VARCHAR(50),
    chunk_count INTEGER,
    metadata JSON
);
-- Research Sources Table
CREATE TABLE research_sources (
    id SERIAL PRIMARY KEY,
    job_id VARCHAR(100) REFERENCES research_jobs(job_id),
    source_url VARCHAR(1000),
    source_type VARCHAR(50),
    title VARCHAR(500),
    content_summary TEXT,
    credibility_score DECIMAL(3,2),
    retrieved_at TIMESTAMP DEFAULT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP
);
```

4. API Specifications

4.1 REST API Endpoints



```
/api/v1/research:
  post:
    summary: Submit research request
    requestBody:
      content:
        application/json:
          schema:
            type: object
            properties:
              topic:
                type: string
                description: Research topic or question
              config:
                type: object
                properties:
                  max_sources: {type: integer, default: 20}
                  report_format: {type: string, enum: [markdown, pdf, docx]}
                  use_rag: {type: boolean, default: true}
                  priority: {type: string, enum: [low, medium, high]}
    responses:
      '202':
        content:
          application/json:
            schema:
              type: object
              properties:
                job_id: {type: string}
                status: {type: string}
                estimated_completion: {type: string}
/api/v1/research/{job_id}:
  get:
    summary: Get research job status and results
    responses:
      12001:
        content:
          application/json:
            schema:
              type: object
              properties:
                job_id: {type: string}
                status: {type: string}
```

progress: {type: integer}
results: {type: object}

4.1.2 Document Management

```
yaml
/api/v1/documents:
  post:
    summary: Upload document for RAG processing
    requestBody:
      content:
        multipart/form-data:
          schema:
            type: object
            properties:
              file: {type: string, format: binary}
              tags: {type: array, items: {type: string}}
    responses:
      '201':
        content:
          application/json:
            schema:
              type: object
              properties:
                document_id: {type: string}
                status: {type: string}
                processing_started: {type: boolean}
  get:
    summary: List uploaded documents
    responses:
      '200':
        content:
          application/json:
            schema:
              type: array
              items:
                type: object
                properties:
                  document_id: {type: string}
                  filename: {type: string}
                  status: {type: string}
                  chunk_count: {type: integer}
```

5. Configuration Management

5.1 Environment Configuration

```
# config/settings.py
from pydantic import BaseSettings
class Settings(BaseSettings):
    # API Configuration (Minimal Usage)
    OPENROUTER_API_KEY: str = ""
                                          # Only for critical tasks
                                         # Free tier
    BRAVE_SEARCH_API_KEY: str = ""
    JINA_API_KEY: str = ""
                                          # Free tier
    # Local Model Configuration
    OLLAMA_HOST: str = "localhost"
    OLLAMA_PORT: int = 11434
    # Model Selection Strategy
    PRIMARY_ANALYSIS_MODEL: str = "llama3.1:70b"
    FAST_PROCESSING_MODEL: str = "llama3.1:8b"
    WRITING_MODEL: str = "gwen2.5:14b"
    REASONING_MODEL: str = "gemma2:27b"
    # Premium Model Usage (Cost Control)
    ENABLE_PREMIUM_MODELS: bool = False
   PREMIUM_USAGE_LIMIT: int = 5  # Max premium calls per day

MONTHLY_API_BUDGET: float = 15.0  # Maximum monthly spend
    # Database Configuration
   MILVUS HOST: str = "localhost"
   MILVUS_PORT: int = 19530
    DATABASE_URL: str = "sqlite:///research_agent.db"
    # Agent Configuration
   MAX_CONCURRENT_JOBS: int = 3 # Reduced for local processing
    DEFAULT_CHUNK_SIZE: int = 1000
    DEFAULT_CHUNK_OVERLAP: int = 200
   MAX_SOURCES_PER_RESEARCH: int = 15  # Reduced to control costs
    # Local Embedding Configuration
    EMBEDDING_MODEL: str = "all-MiniLM-L6-v2"
    EMBEDDING_DEVICE: str = "cpu" # "cuda" if GPU available
    class Config:
        env_file = ".env"
```



```
# crew_config.yaml
agents:
 document processor:
    role: "Document Processing Specialist"
   goal: "Process and embed documents for RAG capabilities using local models"
   backstory: "Expert in document parsing and local vector embeddings"
   tools: [document_loader, local_embedding_generator, vector_store]
   11m:
      provider: "ollama"
     model: "llama3.1:8b"
     temperature: 0.1
  researcher:
    role: "Web Research Specialist"
   qoal: "Find and extract relevant information from web sources using local analysis"
    backstory: "Skilled researcher with expertise in local source validation"
   tools: [web_search, content_extractor, local_source_validator]
   llm:
      provider: "ollama"
     model: "gemma2:9b"
     temperature: 0.3
  raq specialist:
    role: "Knowledge Retrieval Expert"
   goal: "Query internal documents and synthesize relevant context"
    backstory: "Expert in semantic search and context synthesis"
   tools: [vector_search, context_synthesizer]
   llm:
     provider: "ollama"
     model: "qwen2.5:14b"
     temperature: 0.2
 analyst:
    role: "Research Analyst"
   goal: "Synthesize information and identify key insights using advanced reasoning"
    backstory: "Analytical expert skilled in pattern recognition"
   tools: [content_synthesizer, pattern_analyzer]
   llm:
     provider: "ollama"
     model: "llama3.1:70b" # Best local model for complex analysis
     temperature: 0.4
     fallback:
        provider: "ollama"
```

```
model: "gemma2:27b" # Faster fallback
 writer:
    role: "Report Writer"
   goal: "Create well-structured, professional reports using local models"
   backstory: "Professional writer with expertise in business communication"
   tools: [report_generator, citation_manager]
   llm:
      provider: "ollama"
     model: "qwen2.5:14b" # Excellent writing capabilities
     temperature: 0.6
                               # Only for critical reports
     premium_fallback:
       provider: "openrouter"
       model: "anthropic/claude-3.5-sonnet"
       condition: "executive report"
 quality_assurance:
    role: "Quality Control Specialist"
   goal: "Validate report quality and accuracy using efficient local models"
   backstory: "Detail-oriented expert in quality assurance"
   tools: [quality_checker, citation_validator]
   llm:
      provider: "ollama"
     model: "llama3.1:8b" # Fast validation
     temperature: 0.1
conductor:
  role: "Model Selection Coordinator"
 goal: "Optimize model selection based on task complexity and cost constraints"
 backstory: "Strategic coordinator focused on cost-effective AI operations"
 decision_matrix:
   simple_tasks: "llama3.1:8b"
   moderate_tasks: "gemma2:27b"
   complex_tasks: "llama3.1:70b"
   writing_tasks: "qwen2.5:14b"
   critical_business: "anthropic/claude-3.5-sonnet" # Premium only when necessary
 cost_controls:
   daily_premium_limit: 5
   monthly_budget: 15.0
   fallback_strategy: "always_local"
tasks:
 document processing:
   description: "Process uploaded documents using local embeddings and analysis"
```

```
expected_output: "Structured document embeddings with metadata"
  cost_tier: "free"
research_task:
  description: "Conduct comprehensive web research using free APIs and local analysis
  expected_output: "Structured research findings with local source validation"
  cost tier: "minimal"
rag_synthesis:
  description: "Query internal documents and synthesize relevant context locally"
  expected_output: "Relevant document context with local reasoning"
  cost_tier: "free"
analysis_task:
  description: "Analyze research findings using best available local model"
  expected_output: "Analytical summary with patterns and recommendations"
  cost_tier: "free"
writing_task:
  description: "Generate professional research report using local writing model"
  expected_output: "Formatted report with executive summary and citations"
  cost tier: "free"
  escalation:
    condition: "executive report"
    premium_model: "anthropic/claude-3.5-sonnet"
    cost_tier: "premium"
```

6. Deployment Specifications

6.1 Version 1.0 - Local Deployment

System Requirements:

- **OS**: Windows 10/11, macOS 12+, Ubuntu 20.04+
- RAM: 32GB minimum, 64GB recommended (for large local models)
- **Storage**: 100GB available space (for model storage)
- **GPU**: NVIDIA RTX 4060+ (optional but recommended for faster inference)
- **Python**: 3.9+ with pip
- **Docker**: For Milvus database
- Ollama: For local model management

Required Local Models (Download via Ollama):

```
# Essential models (download these first)
ollama pull llama3.1:8b  # 4.7GB - Fast processing
ollama pull gemma2:9b  # 5.4GB - Efficient reasoning
ollama pull qwen2.5:14b  # 8.2GB - Excellent writing

# Advanced models (if you have sufficient RAM/storage)
ollama pull llama3.1:70b  # 40GB - Best reasoning (requires 64GB+ RAM)
ollama pull gemma2:27b  # 16GB - Advanced analysis
ollama pull deepseek-coder:6.7b  # 3.8GB - Code-specific tasks

# Total storage needed:
# Basic setup: ~18GB (8b + 9b + 14b models)
# Full setup: ~78GB (all models)
```

Installation Script:

bash

```
#!/bin/bash
# setup_local_optimized.sh
echo "Setting up cost-optimized Research Agent..."
# Install Ollama
curl -fsSL https://ollama.ai/install.sh | sh
# Download essential models
ollama pull llama3.1:8b
ollama pull gemma2:9b
ollama pull qwen2.5:14b
# Create virtual environment
python -m venv research_agent_env
source research_agent_env/bin/activate # Linux/Mac
# research_agent_env\Scripts\activate # Windows
# Install dependencies
pip install -r requirements.txt
# Setup Milvus with Docker
docker-compose -f docker/milvus-docker-compose.yml up -d
# Initialize database
python scripts/init_db.py
# Configure environment (mostly free services)
cp .env.example .env
echo "Setup complete! Configure your free API keys in .env file"
echo "OpenRouter API key is optional - only needed for premium features"
```

#!/bin/bash

setup_local.sh

Create virtual environment

```
python -m venv research_agent_env
source research_agent_env/bin/activate # Linux/Mac
```

research_agent_env\Scripts\activate # Windows

Install dependencies

pip install -r requirements.txt

Setup Milvus with Docker

docker-compose -f docker/milvus-docker-compose.yml up -d

Initialize database

python scripts/init_db.py

Configure environment

cp .env.example .env echo "Please configure your API keys in .env file"

```
### 6.2 Version 2.0 - Cloud Deployment
#### Infrastructure Requirements:
- **Kubernetes Cluster**: 3+ nodes, 8GB RAM per node
- **Load Balancer**: NGINX Ingress or cloud provider LB
- **Storage**: Persistent volumes for Milvus and PostgreSQL
- **Monitoring**: Prometheus + Grafana stack
#### Kubernetes Manifests:
```yaml
k8s/namespace.yaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: Namespace
metadata:
 name: research-agent
k8s/configmap.yaml
apiVersion: v1
kind: ConfigMap
metadata:
 name: research-agent-config
 namespace: research-agent
data:
 MILVUS_HOST: "milvus-service"
 MILVUS_PORT: "19530"
 MAX_CONCURRENT_JOBS: "10"
```

# 7. Security Specifications

#### 7.1 Authentication & Authorization

#### **API Security:**

- JWT Tokens: For API authentication (Version 2.0)
- API Rate Limiting: 100 requests/hour per user
- CORS Configuration: Restricted to allowed origins
- Input Validation: Comprehensive request sanitization

#### **Data Security:**

- Encryption at Rest: AES-256 for sensitive data
- Encryption in Transit: TLS 1.3 for all communications
- Secret Management: Environment variables + HashiCorp Vault (Version 2.0)
- Access Controls: Role-based permissions for document access

# 7.2 Privacy & Compliance

#### **Data Handling:**

- Document Retention: Configurable purge policies
- Logging: No sensitive data in application logs
- Audit Trail: All research operations logged with timestamps
- Data Minimization: Only required data stored and processed

# 8. Monitoring & Observability

### 8.1 Application Monitoring

#### **Metrics Collection:**

- Custom Metrics: Research job completion rates, token usage, error rates
- Performance Metrics: Response times, throughput, resource utilization
- Business Metrics: User engagement, feature usage, cost per research

#### **Logging Strategy:**

```
logging_config.py
LOGGING_CONFIG = {
 'version': 1,
 'formatters': {
 'detailed': {
 'format': '%(asctime)s - %(name)s - %(levelname)s - %(message)s'
 }
 },
 'handlers': {
 'file': {
 'class': 'logging.handlers.RotatingFileHandler',
 'filename': 'logs/research_agent.log',
 'maxBytes': 10485760, # 10MB
 'backupCount': 5
 }
 },
 'loggers': {
 'research_agent': {
 'level': 'INFO',
 'handlers': ['file']
}
```

#### 8.2 Health Checks

#### **Endpoint Specifications:**

```
@app.get("/health")
async def health_check():
 return {
 "status": "healthy",
 "timestamp": datetime.utcnow(),
 "services": {
 "milvus": check_milvus_connection(),
 "database": check_db_connection(),
 "openrouter": check_api_availability()
 }
 }
```

# 9. Testing Strategy

#### 9.1 Unit Testing

• Coverage Target: 90%+ code coverage

• Framework: pytest with pytest-asyncio

• Mocking: unittest.mock for external API calls

• Fixtures: Shared test data and configurations

#### 9.2 Integration Testing

• Agent Communication: Test CrewAl workflow execution

• Database Operations: Milvus and PostgreSQL integration

• API Endpoints: Full request/response cycle testing

• Document Processing: End-to-end file processing pipeline

#### 9.3 Performance Testing

Load Testing: Concurrent research job processing

• Vector Search: Query performance with large document sets

• Memory Usage: Embedding generation and storage efficiency

• API Response Times: Under various load conditions

# 10. Maintenance & Support

## 10.1 Backup & Recovery

• Database Backups: Daily automated backups of Milvus and PostgreSQL

• Document Repository: Synchronized backup of uploaded files

• Configuration: Version-controlled configuration management

Recovery Testing: Monthly disaster recovery drills

# 10.2 Updates & Patches

• **Dependency Management**: Automated security updates

• Model Updates: Seamless LLM model version upgrades

• Feature Releases: Blue-green deployment strategy

• Rollback Procedures: Quick rollback capabilities for failed deployments