

## Data Ingestion

- Create a Python script to:
  - Read approximately ~5,000 text files
  - Parse key-value pairs from each file
  - Load data into MongoDB
- Note: Files may have varying numbers of key-value pairs
  - Example listing files:  
<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1GvQZaGYZ2HV8M0qM3T5NLx1i-LMTpBjH?usp=sharing>
  - Example python script:  
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1pcwUHUjRmklW5XBLIMC6sp7bLxVvS6DD/view?usp=sharing>

## Database

- Use MongoDB hosted (MongoDB Atlas - free tier <https://mongodb.com/>)
- No specific requirements for data model or collection structure
- Store all available key-value pairs for each listing

## REST API Development

- Implement a REST API with the following features:
  - Endpoint for querying listings
  - Simple API key authentication (exact match with a secret key)
  - Query parameters to include:
    - Address
    - Description
    - City
    - State
    - Price
    - Type of listing (commercial, land, residential, etc.)
    - Lot size
  - JSON response should include all available data for matching listings
- Create a Postman configuration for querying the API

## API Functionality

- Read-only operations (no create, update, or delete functions required)
- No required parameters
- Implement result paging:
  - Add 'page' and 'limit' query parameters
  - 'page': specifies the page number (default to 1 if not provided)
  - 'limit': specifies the number of results per page (default to 10 if not provided)
  - Include metadata in the response about total results and current page

Example API Endpoint: GET /listings?city=Bedford&price\_max=750000

- Implement header-based API key authentication
- Example: Headers: { "Authorization": "Bearer YOUR\_API\_KEY\_HERE" }

Example API Endpoint: GET /listings?city=Poultney&price\_max=750000&page=1&limit=20

Example JSON Response Structure:

```
{ "metadata":  
  { "total_results": 100,  
    "page": 1,  
    "limit": 20,  
    "total_pages": 5 },  
  "results": [ // Array of up to 20 listing objects ]  
}
```

Additional Considerations

- No specific performance requirements (POC stage)
- No specific framework requirements (beyond recommendation of MongoDB Atlas Free tier)
- No formal API documentation required
- No data validation or cleaning required during parsing

Testing

- Develop basic tests to ensure:
  - Successful data ingestion from text files to MongoDB
  - API returns correct results for various query combinations
  - Authentication works as expected