

Quandoo Data Engineering Task

Sr.	Contents
1.	Problem Statement
2.	Assumptions
3.	Understanding the problem statement
4.	Python libraries used
5.	Project files
6.	API Endpoints
7.	Architecture diagram
8.	How scraped data looks like
9.	How to reproduce the project
10.	Screenshots
11.	Challenges
12.	Discussion

Problem statement

<https://gitlab.com/quandoo-recruitment/data-engineer>

Assumptions

1. Fetch the restaurant data from the tripadvisor.com platform
2. We are fetching the restaurant data from the first three pages(This value can be changed in the scraper.py script)

Eg.

<https://www.tripadvisor.com/RestaurantSearch?Action=PAGE&geo=187323&sortOrder=relevance&o=a>

<https://www.tripadvisor.com/RestaurantSearch?Action=PAGE&geo=187323&sortOrder=relevance&o=a30>

<https://www.tripadvisor.com/RestaurantSearch?Action=PAGE&geo=187323&sortOrder=relevance&o=a60>

Understanding the problem statement

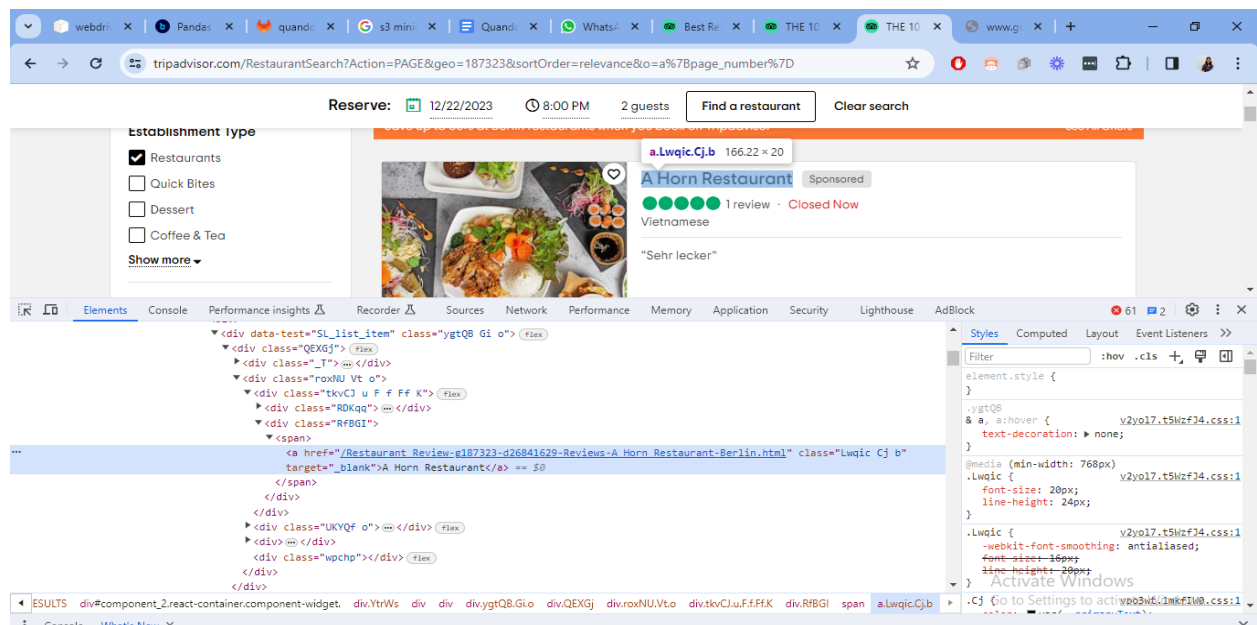
We need to fetch the restaurant data from the tripadvisor.com.

Link:

["https://www.tripadvisor.com/RestaurantSearch?Action=PAGE&geo=%s"&sortOrder=relevance&o=a%s"](https://www.tripadvisor.com/RestaurantSearch?Action=PAGE&geo=%s)

Logic:

In the link, the first %s denotes geo_id, the second denotes the offset which is a multiple of 30 (value 0 means the first page, value 30 means the second page, value 60 means the third page, and so on.) and the third %s is the name of the place (eg. London_England).



We can use the scraper.py program to fetch the data from the URL.

Here is the list of data attributes for the table restaurant_db.

Table 1: restaurant_db

Attribute	Data type
geo_id	varchar(20)

url	varchar(255)
restaurant_id	varchar(255) PRIMARY KEY
rest_name	varchar(255)
fetch_count	int
time_of_fetching_data	varchar(255)
rating	float
address	varchar(255)
telephone	varchar(255)
website	varchar(255)
tags	varchar(255)
CUISINES	varchar(255)
Special_Diets	varchar(255)
Meals	varchar(255)
is_michelin	varchar(3)
neighborhood	varchar(255)
restaurant_rank	varchar(255)
Food_Rating	float
Value_Rating	float
Service_Rating	float
Atmosphere_Rating	float
PRICE_RANGE	varchar(255)
FEATURES	text
total_reviews	int
menu_link	varchar(255)
menu_link_available	varchar(3)

Table 2: geo_info

place (varchar(255))	geo_id(int)
Berlin	187323
London_England	186338
Paris	187147

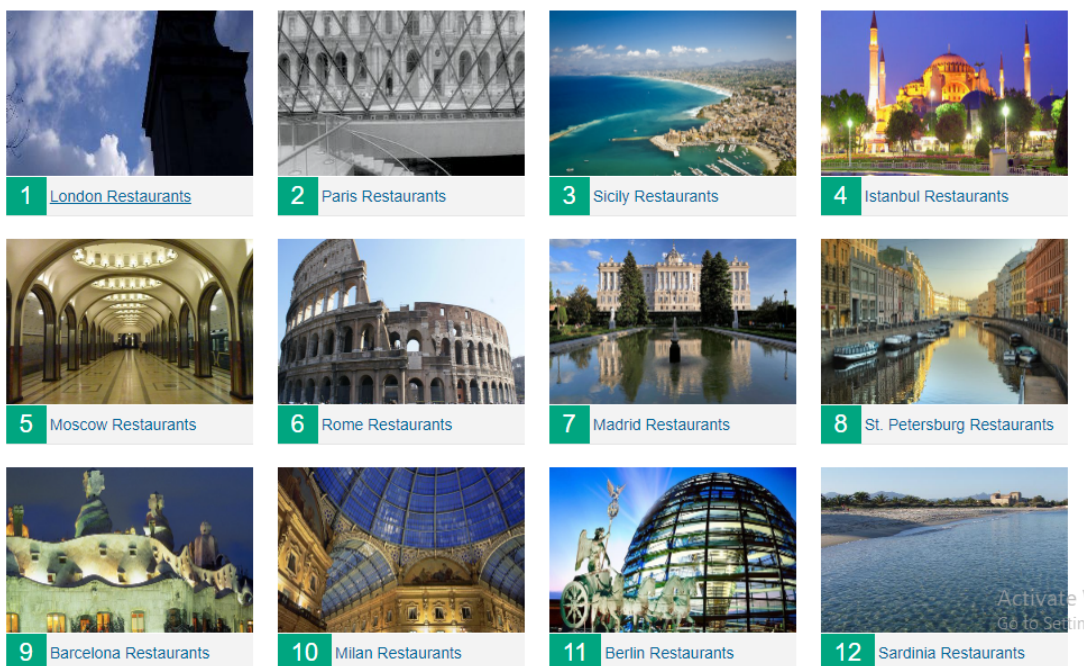
Remarks:

Populate the geo_info table with the data scraped using

<https://www.tripadvisor.com/Restaurants-g4-Europe.html>

This is out of the scope as of now.

Restaurants in Europe



If we inspect the elements and analyze the pattern, we find that we can get the geo_id by fetching all the div elements with class geo_name and then looping over the div elements to get href attribute of the <a> tag.

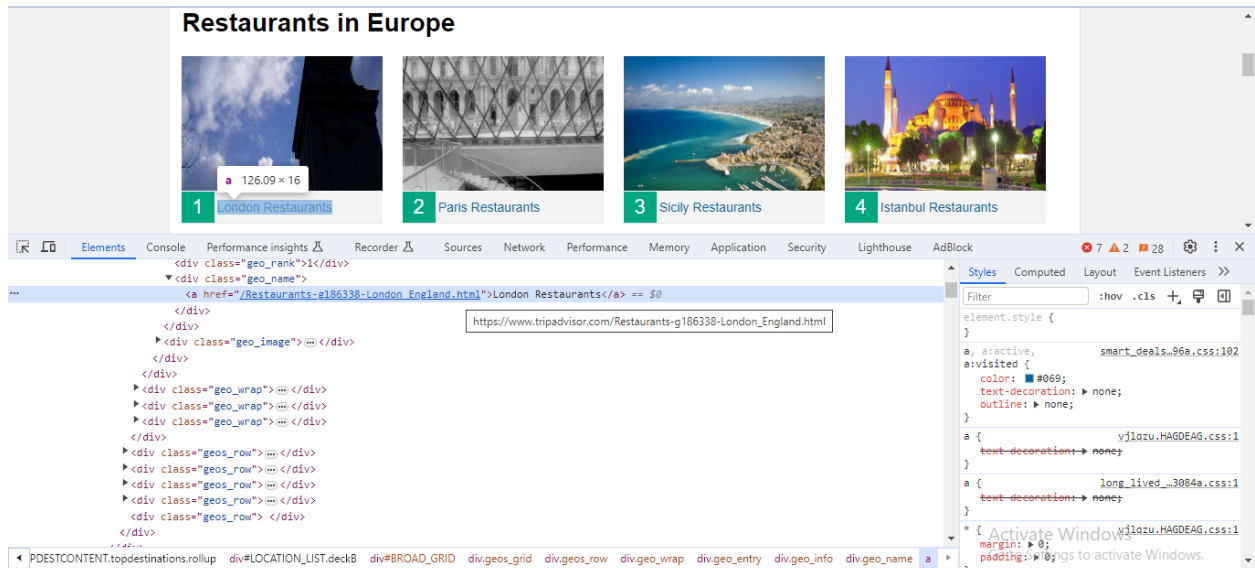
We get the link to the restaurant list as well as the geo_id.

Eg. London Restaurants

Link = https://www.tripadvisor.com/Restaurants-g186338-London_England.html

geo_id = 186338

place = London_England



Python libraries used

Python Library	Purpose
selenium	To visit the web address and fetch the data
pandas	To load all the data into the data frame and export it as CSV file
pymysql	To connect to the database and insert the data
fast-api	To write the API endpoints

Project files

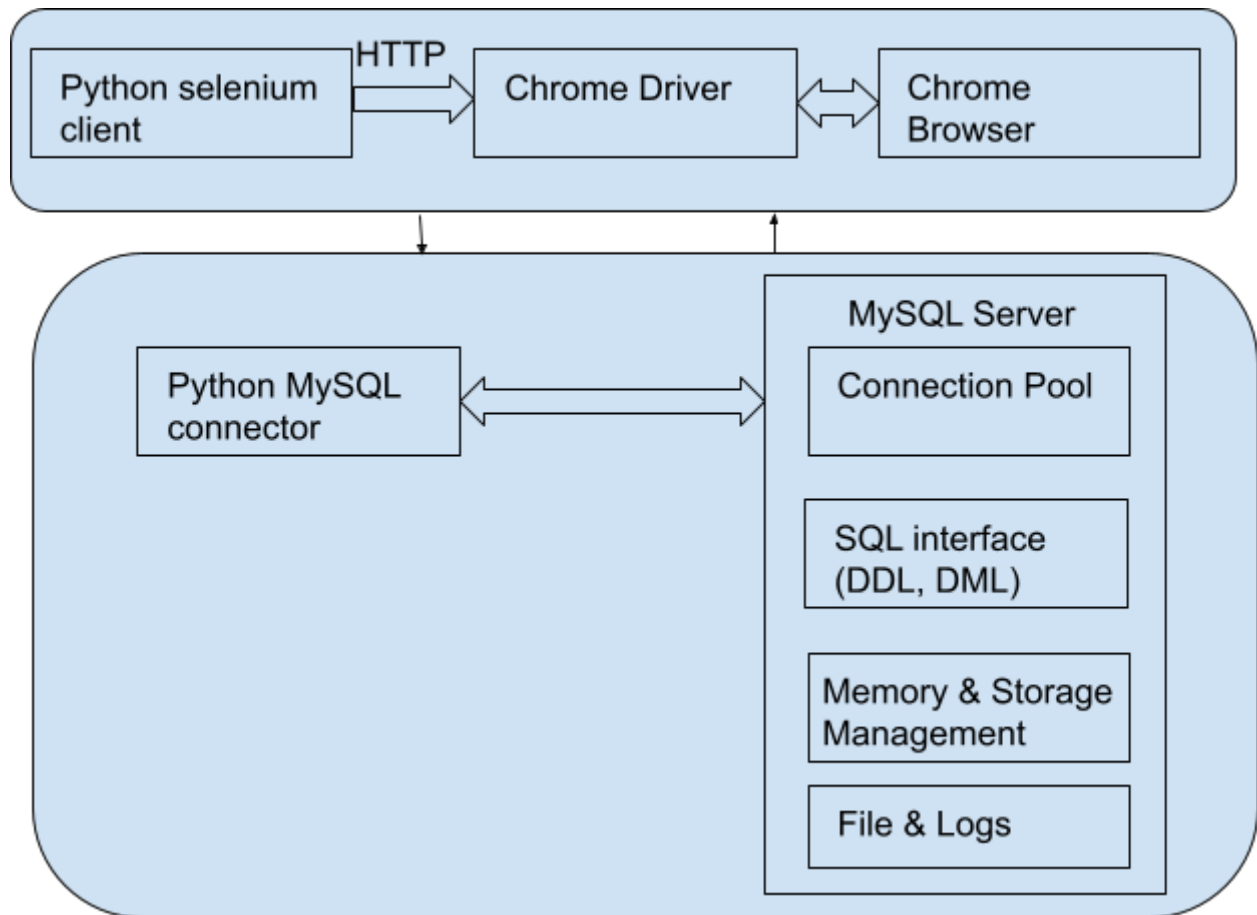
Sr.	File name	Purpose
1.	requirements.txt	This file contains the Python libraries list required for the project.
2.	constants.py	This file contains constant values.
3.	app.py	This file runs the API.
4.	scraper.py	This file scrapes the restaurant's data.
5.	data_storage.py	This file exports scraped data to the database as well as creates the CSV file of the scraped data.

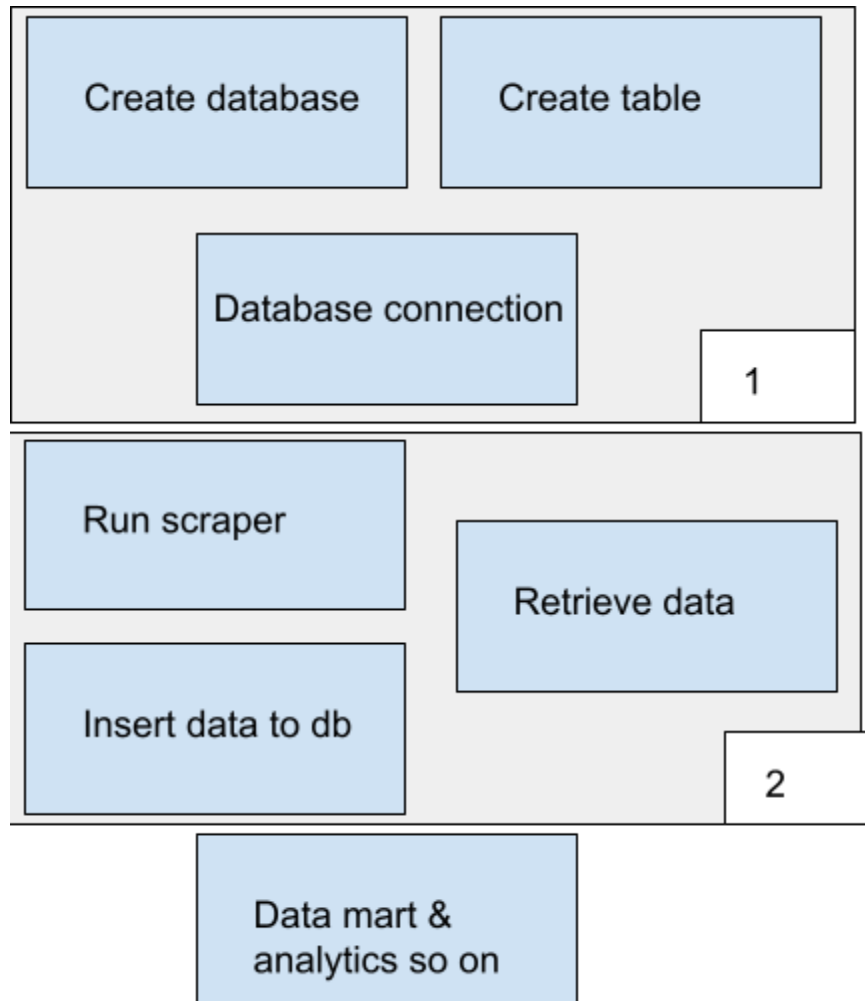
6.	test.py	This file contains the unit test cases.
7.	Dockerfile	This file contains all the commands to assemble the Python project image.
8.	docker-compose.yml	This YAML file defines and runs multi-container Docker applications, such as the Python app and mysql.
9.	datamart.py	Do manipulation of existing data
10.	load_csv_to_db.py	Load CSV file to database
11.	Dockerfile_sql	Docker container mysql

API Endpoints

Sr	Endpoint	Purpose
1.	/scrape_data/{geo_id}	To fetch the restaurant data for particular geo_id from web
2.	/retreive_data/{geo_id}	To fetch the data of particular geo_id from database

Architecture diagram





How scraped data looks like

```
{'url':  
'https://www.tripadvisor.com/Restaurant_Review-g187147-d19261302-Reviews-Miura-Paris_Ile  
_de_France.html', 'restaurant_id': 'd19261302', 'geo_id': '187147', 'fetch_count': 1,  
'time_of_fetching_data': '23/12/2023 16:28:30', 'total_reviews': 159, 'rating': 5.0, 'rest_name':  
'Miura', 'address': "15, rue de l'Arc de Triomphe, 75017 Paris France", 'telephone': '+33 1 47 54  
00 28', 'website': None, 'tags': "['$$$$', 'French', 'European', 'Contemporary']", 'CUISINES':  
"['French', 'European', 'Healthy', 'Contemporary']", 'Special_Diets': '', 'Meals': "['Lunch', 'Dinner',  
'Drinks']", 'is_michelin': 'No', 'menu_link_available': 'No', 'menu_link': '', 'neighborhood': '17th Arr.  
- Batignolles-Monceau0.2 miles from Arc de Triomphe', 'restaurant_rank': '#23 of 14,523  
Restaurants in Paris', 'Food_Rating': 0.0, 'Service_Rating': 0.0, 'Value_Rating': 0.0,  
'Atmosphere_Rating': 0.0, 'PRICE_RANGE': "['$65 - $94']", 'FEATURES': "['Reservations',  
'Seating', 'Serves Alcohol', 'Full Bar', 'Accepts Credit Cards', 'Table Service', 'Private Dining',  
'Street Parking', 'Wine and Beer', 'Dog Friendly', 'Non-smoking restaurants', 'Gift Cards  
Available']"}
```


How to reproduce the project

(A) Using docker-compose.yml

Step 1: Download the project zip file

Step 2: Install the docker

Step 3: Run the docker-compose.yml using the following command

```
docker-compose up
```

If running for the first time, use the following command

```
docker-compose up --build
```

Step 4: Access the endpoints: /scrape_data/{geo_id} and /retrieve_data/{geo_id}

(B) Without using docker

Step 1: Download and extract the project zip file

Step 2: Install Python and Mysql workbench

Step 3: On the command prompt, go to the project folder.

Step 4: Create virtual environment

```
python -m venv venv
```

Step 5: Activate the virtual environment

(On windows) venv\Scripts\activate

```
pip install -r requirements.txt
```

Step 6: Connect to MySQL database

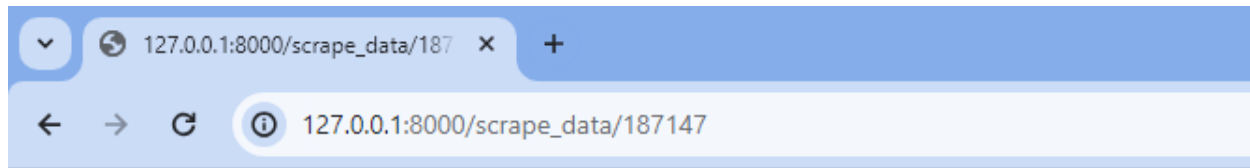
Step 7: Run load_csv_to_db.py to load the data to database

```
python load_csv_to_db.py
```

Step 6: Run app.py

```
uvicorn app:app
```

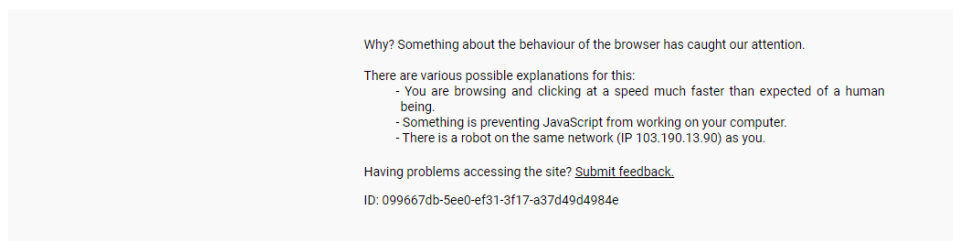
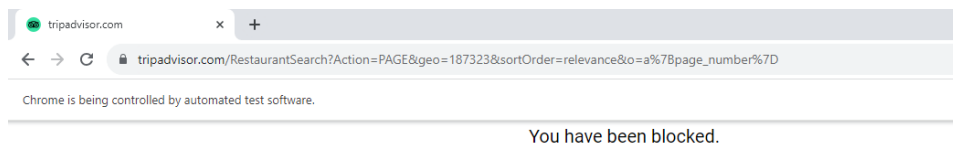
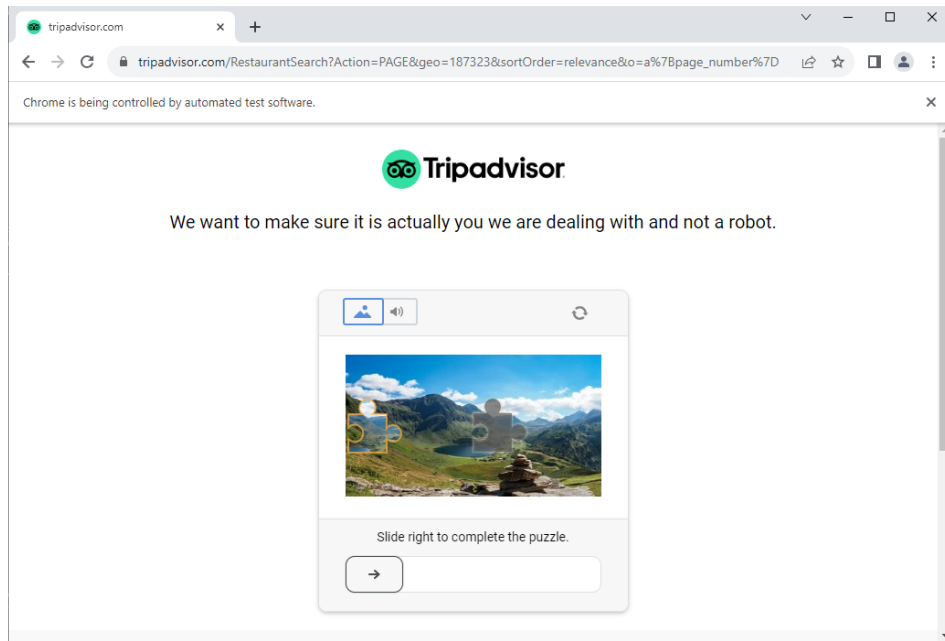
Screenshots



A screenshot of a web browser window displaying a table of restaurant data. The table has 9 columns: `url`, `restaurant_id`, `fetch_count`, `time_of_fetching_data`, `rating float`, `rest_name`, `address`, `telephone`, and `website`. The table contains two rows of data. The first row is for 'le réciproque' and the second row is for 'Le Vent d'Armor'. The browser's address bar shows `127.0.0.1:8000/retrieive_data/187147`.

url	restaurant_id	fetch_count	time_of_fetching_data	rating float	rest_name	address	telephone	website
https://www.tripadvisor.com/Restaurant_Review-g187147-d10002410-Reviews-Le_reciproque-Paris_Ile_de_France.html	d10002410	1	24/12/2023 08:43:49	5.0	le réciproque	14 rue Ferdinand Flocon, 75018 Paris France	+33 9 86 37 80 77	http://www.lereciproque.com/
https://www.tripadvisor.com/Restaurant_Review-g187147-d10041740-Reviews-Le_Vent_d_Armor-Paris_Ile_de_France.html	d10041740	1	24/12/2023 08:41:20	5.0	Le Vent d'Armor	25 quai de la Tournelle, 75005 Paris France	+33 1 46 34 50 99	http://www.le-vent-darmor.com/

Challenges



Discussion

1. Why the list data is stored as varchar data types?

Some attributes like CUISINES are stored as varchar data type in the database.

To store a Python list in MySQL, you generally need to convert the list into a format that can be stored in a MySQL column, as MySQL itself doesn't have a native data type for lists.

2. Data mart Implementation idea

Storing the results of datamart.py script into NoSQL database can be a good solution. Here's the explanation.

A NoSQL data mart is a data storage and processing system that utilizes a NoSQL (Not Only SQL) database to store and manage data for analytical purposes. Unlike traditional relational databases, NoSQL databases provide a more flexible schema design, scalability, and the ability to handle large volumes of unstructured or semi-structured data. NoSQL databases often used for data marts include MongoDB, Cassandra, Couchbase, and others.

Here are some key considerations and components when implementing a NoSQL data mart:

Data Modeling:

NoSQL databases often use schema-less or dynamic schema approaches, allowing for flexible data modeling.

Document-oriented databases (e.g., MongoDB) store data in JSON-like documents, while key-value stores (e.g., Cassandra) use key-value pairs.

Scalability:

NoSQL databases are designed to scale horizontally, allowing for distributed and scalable architectures.

Data marts can handle large volumes of data and high concurrent queries by adding more nodes to the NoSQL cluster.

Query Language:

NoSQL databases have their query languages. For example, MongoDB uses a query language based on JSON-like documents.

Queries may be optimized for specific use cases, and aggregations are often performed using the database's native features.

Data Ingestion:

Implement mechanisms for efficient data ingestion from various sources into the NoSQL data mart.

Tools like Apache Kafka or custom ETL (Extract, Transform, Load) processes can be used for data integration.

Indexing:

NoSQL databases use indexing to optimize query performance.

3. Schedule the sourcer to run (daily/hourly/monthly)

Using AWS service, we can call `api scrape_data_endpoint` from lambda function and schedule the lambda function (daily/hourly/monthly)