

# **Data Engineering Trial Task**

## Objective:

Find, standardize, and continuously update data regarding construction and infrastructure projects and tenders in the state of California.

## Part 1: Research and Data Sourcing

**Task**: Research and identify 5-10 reliable data sources about construction and infrastructure projects and tenders in California.

**Methodology**: Use a combination of online research and language models (e.g., OpenAl's GPT models) to identify these sources. Explicitly state how and why you used GPT or similar models in your research process.

## Part 2: Data Extraction and Standardization

**Task**: From the provided Table 1 and your own list, suggest methods to scrape data using language model-based tools like OpenAl API, Mistral 7B, Llama2, or other open-source models.

## Requirements:

Demonstrate how you can build data products (DPs) to scrape data from multiple sources. Standardize the scraped data according to the guidelines provided in Table 2.

## Part 3: Automation and Continuous Updating

**Task**: Propose a system for automating the data scraping and standardization processes.

#### **Details:**

Explain how the data sources will be continuously updated.

Describe the use of cron jobs or similar scheduling tools for ongoing data updates.

Ensure your methodology adheres to a production environment's standards.

## **Evaluation Criteria**

- Scalability: Ability to scrape multiple sources effectively.
- Adherence to Standards: Conformity with the provided data standards; penalties for deviation.

• Automation and Continuity: Quality of the proposal for continuous data updating, including details on cron monitoring and production environment suitability.

## **Deliverables**

Candidates should share a Google Drive folder containing:

- 1. Python Scripts: The actual code used for data scraping and standardization.
- 2. Documentation: Detailed explanations of the scripts and methodologies.
- 3. Sample Datasets: Examples of the data extracted and standardized.
- 4. Production Environment Plan: A document detailing the implementation of cron monitoring and how the system will operate in a production environment.

## **Notes to Candidates**

- Pay close attention to the data standards and ensure your methods are scalable and suitable for a production environment.
- Clearly articulate your use of AI or machine learning models, specifically in the context of data sourcing and any preprocessing tasks.
- Demonstrate a thoughtful approach to continuous data updating and monitoring.

**Task Submission:** Kindly fill out this form to submit your taskhttps://forms.gle/BGNFXQr4VeJed7ug8

## **Suggested Data Sources**

City	Sour URL			
Richmond	https://www.ci.richmond.ca.us/1404/Major-Projects			
bakersfield	https://www.bakersfieldcity.us/518/Projects-Programs			
wasco	https://www.cityofwasco.org/311/Current-Projects			
eureka	https://www.eurekaca.gov/744/Upcoming-Projects			
Arcata	https://www.cityofarcata.org/413/Current-City-Construction-Projects			
Mckinleyville	https://www.mckinleyvillecsd.com/news-and-project-updates			
sanrafael	https://www.cityofsanrafael.org/major-planning-projects-2/			
novato	https://www.novato.org/government/community-development/planning-division/planning-projects?locale=en			
Millivalley	https://www.cityofmillvalley.org/258/Projects			
Riverside	https://riversideca.gov/utilities/projects			
moreno	https://www.moval.org/cdd/documents/about-projects.html			
Corona	https://www.coronaca.gov/government/departments-divisions/department-of-water-and-power/construction			
sacramento	http://www.cityofsacramento.org/public-works/engineering-services/projects			
citrus heights	https://www.citrusheights.net/292/Current-Projects			
elk grove	https://www.elkgrovecity.org/southeast-policy-area/development-projects			

	https://www.sbcity.org/city_hall/community_economic_development/d			
San Bernardino	evelopment_projects			
Fontana	https://www.fontanaca.gov/765/Current-Projects			
Ontario	https://www.ontarioca.gov/Planning/CurrentPlanning			
Chula Vista	https://www.chulavistaca.gov/departments/development-services/cityrojects			
OceanSide	https://www.ci.oceanside.ca.us/government/development-services/engineering/capital-improvement-program/current-projects			
san luis obispo	https://www.slocity.org/government/department-directory/parks-and-recreation/current-projects			
paso robles	https://www.prcity.com/363/City-Projects			
atascadero	https://www.atascadero.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=artile&id=652&Itemid=1723			
sanmateo	https://www.cityofsanmateo.org/1176/Whats-Happening-in-Development			
daily city	https://www.dalycity.org/362/Current-Project-List			
lompoc	https://www.cityoflompoc.com/government/departments/economic-community-development/planning-division/major-project-updates			
santa maria	https://www.santamariagroup.com/projects			
santa clara	https://www.santaclaraca.gov/business-development/development-projects/projects-listing			
vacaville	https://www.ci.vacaville.ca.us/government/community-development/major-development-projects?locale=en			
vallejo	https://www.cityofvallejo.net/our_city/departments_divisions/planning_development_services/economic_development_department/development_projects			
	https://www.fairfield.ca.gov/government/city-departments/community-development/planning-division/development-activity?locale=en, https://www.fairfield.ca.gov/government/city-departments/public-works			
fair field	/capital-improvement-projects			
Rohnert Park	https://www.rpcity.org/city_hall/departments/development_services/engineering/projects_in_progress			
santa rose	https://www.srcity.org/3212/Current-Projects			
petaluma	https://cityofpetaluma.org/planning-projects/			
thousand oaks	https://www.toaks.org/departments/public-works/construction			

	https://www.simivalley.org/departments/public-works/public-works-eng		
simivalley	neering/capital-projects/current-capital-projects		
shoreline	https://www.shorelinewa.gov/government/projects-initiativess		

**Table 2. Data Standards List** 

Attribute	Description	Expectations	
Generic			
original_id	Unique from source	expect_column_to_exist, expect_column_values_to_be_of_type, expect_column_values_to_be_unique	
aug_id	Generated by Taiyo (UUID functionality)	expect_column_to_exist, expect_column_values_to_be_of_type, expect_column_values_to_be_unique	
country_name	Name of the Country	expect_column_to_exist, expect_column_values_to_be_in_set	
country_code	ISO 3-letter Country Code	expect_column_to_exist, expect_column_values_to_be_in_set, expect_column_values_to_be_valid_iso_coun	
map_coordinates	Geo Point of the region. Should be formatted like this. {"type": "Point", "coordinates": [longitude, latitude]}	expect_column_to_exist, expect_column_values_to_be_of_type, expect_column_values_to_be_valid_geojson	
url	Url of the website of the source	expect_column_to_exist, expect_column_values_to_be_valid_urls, expect_column_values_to_be_unique	

region\_name Region Name for expect\_column\_to\_exist,

a Country expect\_column\_values\_to\_be\_in\_set

according to World Bank Standards

region\_code Region code for a expect\_column\_to\_exist,

Region according expect\_column\_values\_to\_be\_in\_set

to World Bank Standards

Projects and Tender

title A title for this expect\_column\_to\_exist,

tender/project. expect\_column\_values\_to\_be\_unique

This will often be

used by

applications as a headline to attract interest, and to help analysts understand the nature of this procurement

description A summary expect\_column\_to\_exist

description of the tender/project.

This

complements any

structured information provided using the items array. Descriptions should be short and easy to read. Avoid using ALL

CAPS.

status The current expect\_column\_to\_exist,

status of the expect\_column\_values\_to\_be\_in\_set

tender/project,
from the closed
tenderStatus
codelist

stages expect\_column\_to\_exist,

expect\_column\_values\_to\_be\_in\_set

date The date on expect\_column\_to\_exist,

which the expect\_column\_values\_to\_match\_strftime\_format information contained in the release was first

system

recorded in, or published by, any

relevant works,

codelist

procurementMethod The procurement expect\_column\_to\_exist,

method is the expect\_column\_values\_to\_be\_in\_set procedure used to purchase the

goods or services. The procurement method, from the

budget The total upper expect\_column\_to\_exist,

of the procurement. A

negative value
indicates that the
contracting
process may
involve payments
from the supplier
to the buyer
(commonly used
in concession
contracts)

currency

The currency for

must be specified

expect column to exist, expect\_column\_values\_to\_be\_valid\_currency\_cod

each amount

using the uppercase

3-letter currency

code from ISO4217

expect\_column\_to\_exist

buyer

A buyer is an entity whose budget will be used to pay for goods, works or services related

to a contract

sector

A high-level expect\_column\_to\_exist,

expect\_column\_values\_to\_be\_in\_set

categorization of the main sector this procurement

process relates to. Use of UN COFOG codes, with 'COFOG' as the classification scheme, and the

numerical

COFOG code is recommended for the primary sector classification.

subsector

A further expect\_column\_to\_exist

subdivision of the

sector the procurement process belongs

to

expect\_column\_values\_to\_be\_in\_set