Introduction

This report discusses the Python script designed to fetch paginated data from an API, match response texts to their sources using the **difflib** library, and display the results using Streamlit. The script includes logging for error handling and rate limiting to prevent hitting API rate limits.

Script Breakdown

The script is organized into several functions, each with a specific responsibility:

1. fetch_page_data Function

- Purpose: Fetches data from a specific page of the API.
- Input: **session** (requests session), **base_url** (API endpoint), **page** (page number).
- Output: Returns a list of data items from the specified page or an empty list if an error occurs

2.fetch_all_data Function

- Purpose: Fetches all paginated data from the API by iterating through pages until no data is returned.
- Output: Returns a list containing all the fetched data.

3.match_response_to_sources Function

- Purpose: Matches a response text to its sources using difflib to find similar contexts.
- Input: response_text (response text to match), sources (list of source items).
- Output: Returns a list of citations where each citation is a dictionary with the source ID and link.

4.process_item Function

- Purpose: Processes a single data item by matching the response to its sources.
- Input: **item** (data item containing response and sources).
- Output: Returns a dictionary with matched citations.

5.process_data Function

- Purpose: Processes a list of data items.
- Input: data (list of data items).
- Output: Returns a list of processed data items.

6.Main Function

- Purpose: Main function to fetch, process data and display results using Streamlit.
- Workflow: Fetches data when a button is clicked, processes the data, and displays the results.

7. Script Execution

• The script is executed by calling the main function if the script is run as the main module.

Conclusion

This script efficiently fetches and processes data from a paginated API. The use of logging ensures that any errors are reported, and the rate limiting prevents API overuse. The **difflib** library provides a simple yet effective way to match response texts to their sources. The integration with Streamlit makes the process interactive and user-friendly, allowing users to fetch and view data with a button click.