

# How to Build a Science UI:

## Getting Started with the STRUDEL Design System

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# What we will cover

## Part 1

1. About STRUDEL

2. The STRUDEL design system

3. Task Flow walkthrough

## Part 2

1. What is STRUDEL Kit?

2. How to implement STRUDEL Task Flows  
with STRUDEL Kit

3. Get involved in the STRUDEL community

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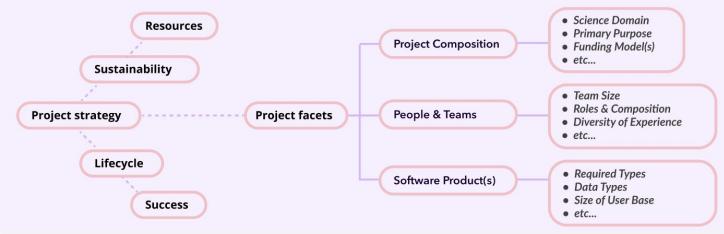
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# STRUOEL



An open source project that enables teams to create user-centered software for scientific communities.

WIP



**Typology of Scientific Software**  
informing a strategic  
**Planning Framework**

Beta

Screenshots of the Design System interface showing the 'Scenarios' and 'Compare Scenarios' features. The 'Scenarios' screen displays a list of scenarios with columns for Name, Description, and Status. The 'Compare Scenarios' screen shows a detailed comparison between two selected scenarios across various categories.

**Design System**  
with  
**Task Flows**

# What is a design system?

A design system is a set of reusable components and patterns for designing and building UIs as well as guidelines on when and how to use them.

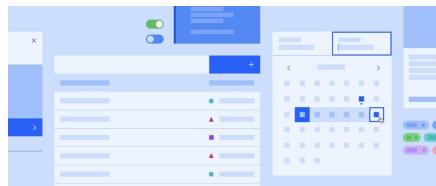
Design systems are commonly used in industry.



Google Material Design



Salesforce Lightning Design



IBM Carbon Design



Atlassian Design System

# Motivation - recognized common patterns in science UIs

**PARETO**

**Scenarios**

Name	Date Created	Status	Actions
Case Study Scenario 1	09/14/2012	Optimized	
Case Study Scenario 2	09/16/2012	Draft	

**CREATE NEW SCENARIO**

**Scenario selection**

**Deduce**

**Dac-Man III**

**Directories to Compare**

**Comparison Parameters (optional)**

**Setup inputs**

**WELDERTY**

**Overview**

Number of Sites: 1,214  
Number of Buildings: 55,425  
Total PHS: \$194,635,627.55

Scenario	Description	Organizations	Sites	Last Results
New Scenario	Initiating a new scenario	None	1	None
Existing Scenario	Editing an existing scenario	None	1	None
Import Scenario	Importing a scenario from another system	None	1	None
Export Scenario	Exporting a scenario to another system	None	1	None
Copying Scenario	Copying a scenario to a new location	None	1	None
Deleting Scenario	Deleting a scenario from the system	None	1	None

**Scenario selection**

**PARETO**

**Scenario** New Scenario 1

**View Scenario List**

**Input Data Categories**

**Production Pads**

**Completion Pads**

**SWD Sites**

**Drive Times**

**Completion Demand**

**Review Inputs & Settings**

**Setup inputs**

## Scenario Selection

## Select Inputs

**Deduce**

**base\_file.csv → new\_file.csv change summary**

**OVERVIEW**

**GATES**

**SITES**

**Dashboard summary of scenario**

**PARETO**

**Scenario** New Scenario 1

**View Scenarios List**

**Recycling Rates** 93%  
7,544,654 bbls  
953,628 bbls

**CANEF**

**OPRE**

**Water Deliveries By Destination**

**Dashboard summary of scenario**

## Dashboard summary of results

**Deduce**

**base\_file.csv → new\_file.csv change summary**

**OVERVIEW**

**GATES**

**SITES**

**Dashboard summary of a run**

**Deduce**

**base\_file.csv → new\_file.csv change summary**

**OVERVIEW**

**GATES**

**SITES**

**History**

## History

# What is **unique** about the STRUDEL design system?

**Designed specifically for scientific UIs**

Enables building UIs applicable across different scientific domains

**Focuses on the larger flow & function of UI**

Gives you a jump start to think about entire UI flow rather than starting from scratch

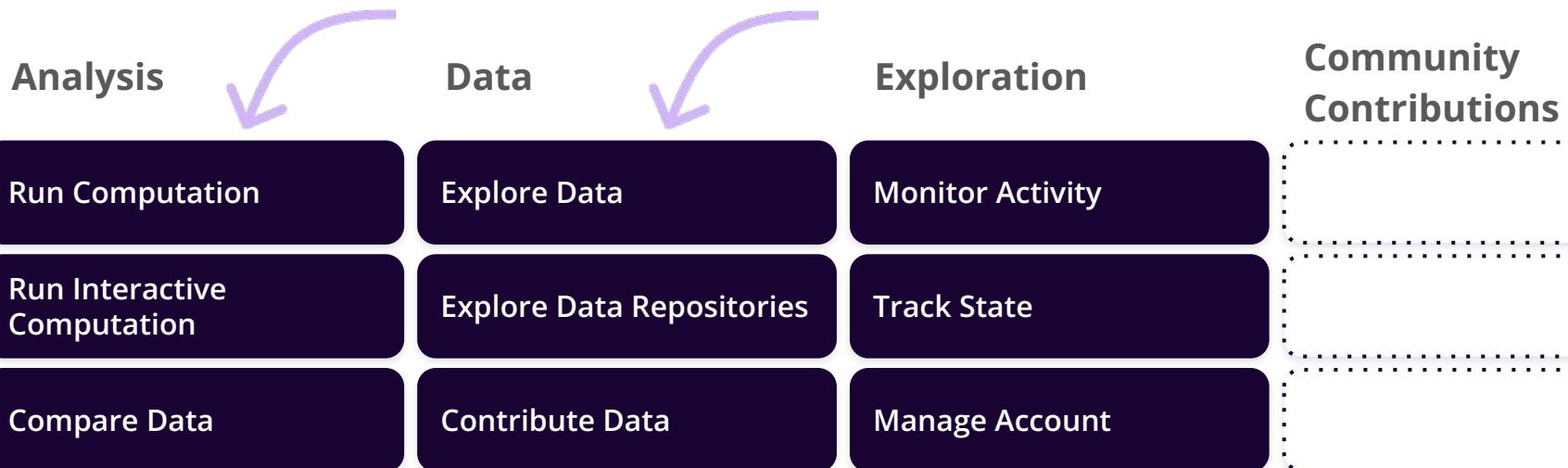
**Designed by experts to empower scientists**

Informed by our collective UX experience in the sciences to help democratize UX practices

# Task Flows

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Similar Task Flows exist across various types of scientific software.



# **“UI to setup, run, and display results for a computational diff tool for large datasets”**

- Input datasets
- Specify method and parameters to calculate diff
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# STRUDEL

Scientific softWare Research for User experience, Design,  
Engagement, and Learning

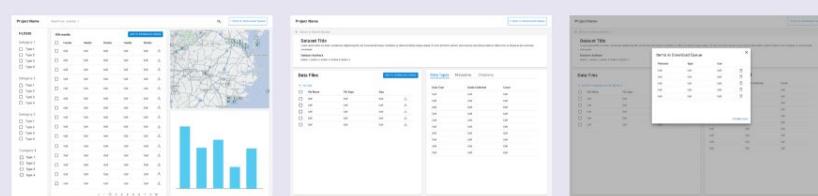
STRUDEL enables teams to create user-centered software for scientific communities.

Plan, design, and build better scientific software projects using STRUDEL Planning Framework and Design System.

## Build Scientific UIs

UI Task Flow library & guides to streamline scientific software UI design and development.

GET STARTED →



## Plan your UX strategy

Questions, guidelines, and insights to help teams incorporate UX into project planning

Resources

Sustainability

Project Composition

- Science Domain
- Primary Purpose
- Funding Model(s)
- etc...

- Team Size

# Design System

UI templates, Task Flows, & interactive components

STRUDEL Design System provides a set of reusable components and patterns along with guidelines for designing and implementing user interfaces for scientific software. This design system is distinct since it is organized around Task Flows, which are the stepwise flows a user takes to accomplish specified tasks.

[EXPLORE TASK FLOWS](#)

## Why STRUDEL Design System?

### Designed for scientific software

Specifically designed for common patterns seen in scientific UIs that can be applied across different scientific domains.

### Focuses on how the UI should function

It focuses on the series of steps taken as part of a larger workflow. This provides the big picture of user journeys & aid to improve user experience.

### Good UX from experts in the sciences is baked in

Informed by over a decade of collective UX experience in the sciences and encapsulates good UX practices.

## Design System

Overview

Task Flows

Overview

Compare Data

Contribute Data

Explore Data

Manage Account

Monitor Activities

Run Computation

Run Interactive Computation

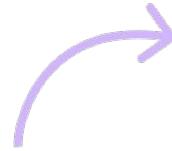
Search Data Repositories

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Enables users to manage their individual or team account information and settings.



profile settings

## Monitor Activities



Enables users to monitor running tasks, jobs, experiments, and observational studies and make decisions based on the status of those activities.

jobs experiments observations

Enables users to run computation(s) through a multi-step flow to generate results.



execution scenario job simulation optimization stepper wizard

## Run Computation

Enables querying, computation, and visual analysis of single or combined data entities to instantly derive insights, and create reports or dashboards.



execution scenario data analysis

## Run Interactive Computation

Enables exploration and evaluation of datasets from a repository which users can download or export.



dataset repository

Enables users to look at historical status of an activity or document which can aid issue debugging or retrieval of old data.



account history system status

## Search Data Repositories

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# Run Computation

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## Intent

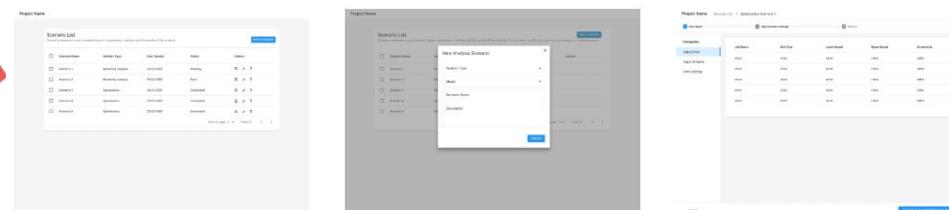
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Computations may be long running and require the ability for a user to leave the flow and return later.

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## Overview



A red curved arrow points from the 'Run Computation' section above down to the 'Scenarios List' screenshot below.

# Run Computation (1 of 6) - Scenario List

Project Name

## Scenario List

Scenarios represent a set of analysis inputs / parameters / settings and the results of that analysis.

**NEW SCENARIO**

<input type="checkbox"/>	Scenario Name	Analysis Type	Date Created	Status	Actions
<input type="checkbox"/>	Scenario 1	Sensitivity Analysis	05/24/2023	Running	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="pen"/> <input type="trash"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Scenario 2	Sensitivity Analysis	05/24/2023	Draft	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="pen"/> <input type="trash"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Scenario 3	Optimization	05/24/2023	Completed	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="pen"/> <input type="trash"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Scenario 4	Optimization	05/23/2023	Completed	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="pen"/> <input type="trash"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Scenario 5	Optimization	05/23/2023	Completed	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="pen"/> <input type="trash"/>

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Product Needs :  
**Execute diff tool**

- Input datasets
- Specify method and parameters to calculate diff
- Graphs & plots as diff results

# Run Computation (2 of 6) - New Scenario

Project Name

## Scenario List

Scenarios represent a set of analysis inputs / parameters / settings and the results of that analysis. You can view, modify, and copy existing scenarios or create new ones.

Scenario Name	Analysis Type	Model	Actions
Scenario 1	Sensitivity	Model A	<a href="#">View</a> <a href="#">Edit</a> <a href="#">Copy</a>
Scenario 2	Sensitivity	Model B	<a href="#">View</a> <a href="#">Edit</a> <a href="#">Copy</a>
Scenario 3	Optimization	Model C	<a href="#">View</a> <a href="#">Edit</a> <a href="#">Copy</a>
Scenario 4	Optimization	Model D	<a href="#">View</a> <a href="#">Edit</a> <a href="#">Copy</a>
Scenario 5	Optimization	Model E	<a href="#">View</a> <a href="#">Edit</a> <a href="#">Copy</a>

**NEW SCENARIO**

New Analysis Scenario

Analysis Type

Model

Scenario Name

Description

CREATE

Actions

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# Run Computation (3 of 6) - Inputs Configuration

Project Name Scenario List > Optimization Scenario 1

1 Data Input      2 Optimization settings      3 Results

Categories

Input Units

Input Streams

Unit Costing

Unit Name	Unit Type	Lower Bound	Upper Bound	Constraints
value	value	value	value	value
value	value	value	value	value
value	value	value	value	value
value	value	value	value	value
value	value	value	value	value

BACK

CONTINUE TO OPTIMIZATION SETTINGS

Product Needs :  
**Execute diff tool**

- Input datasets
- Specify method and parameters to calculate diff
- Graphs & plots as diff results

# Run Computation (4 of 6) - Settings Configuration

Project Name Scenario List > Optimization Scenario 1

1 Data Input 2 Optimization settings 3 Results

### Optimization Settings

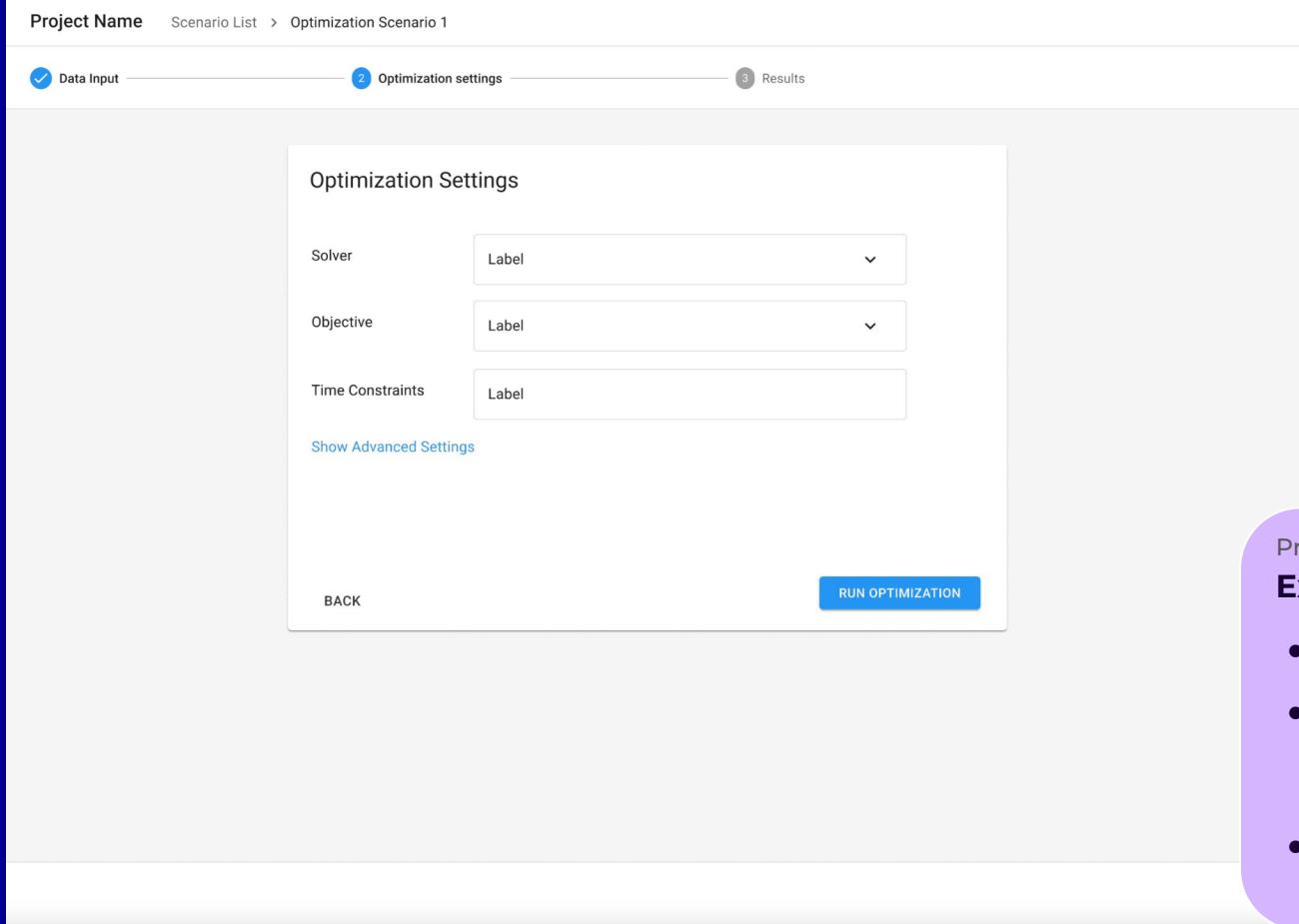
Solver Label

Objective Label

Time Constraints Label

Show Advanced Settings

BACK RUN OPTIMIZATION



Product Needs :  
**Execute diff tool**

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# Run Computation (5 of 6) - Execution Progress

The screenshot shows a software interface for running computations. At the top, there's a navigation bar with 'Project Name' (highlighted in blue), 'Scenario List', and 'Optimization Scenario 1'. Below this is a progress bar with three steps: 'Data Input' (completed), 'Optimization settings' (completed), and 'Results' (partial completion, indicated by a blue circle with a '3'). A central modal window titled 'Running Optimization' contains the message 'This could take several minutes' above a progress bar. The progress bar is mostly blue, indicating significant progress. Below the progress bar, it says 'Started 05/24/2023 12:32:33'. At the bottom of the modal is a 'CLOSE WINDOW' button.

- Product Needs :
- Execute diff tool**
- Input datasets
  - Specify method and parameters to calculate diff
  - Graphs & plots as diff results

# Run Computation (6 of 6) - Results Dashboard

Project Name Scenario List > Optimization Scenario 1

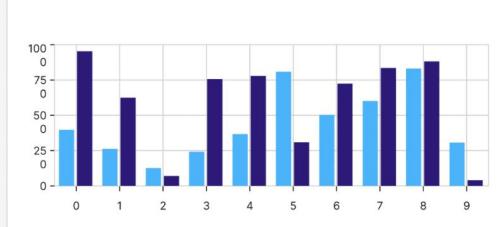
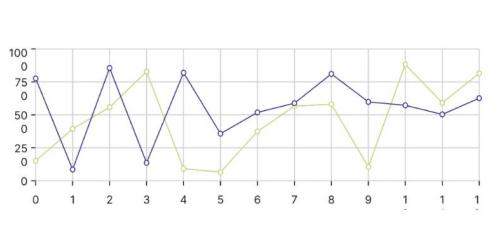
Data Input      Optimization settings      Results

Categories

Summary

System Costing

System Metrics



Unit Name	Unit Type	Value	Min	Max
value	value	value	value	value
value	value	value	value	value
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Product Needs :  
**Execute diff tool**

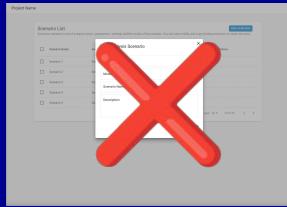
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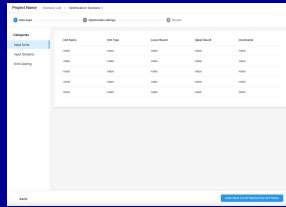
Scenario List



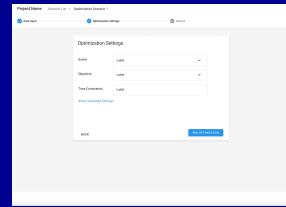
New Scenario



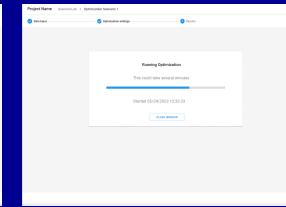
Inputs Config



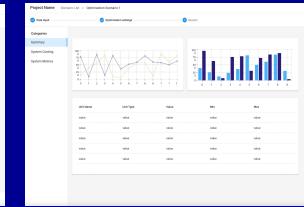
Settings Config



Execution Progress



Results Dashboard



Input datasets

Specify method and parameters to calculate diff

May take a long time to run

Graphs & plots as diff results

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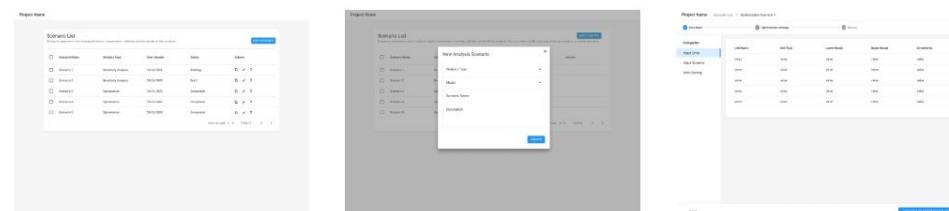
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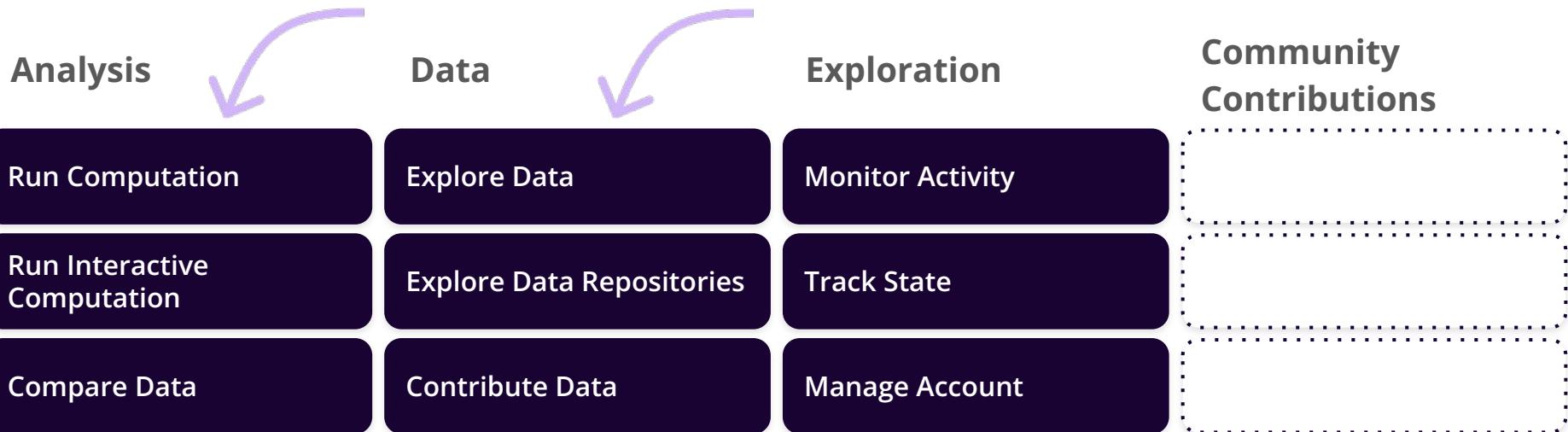
The screenshot displays three separate windows of a software interface, likely a web application. Each window has a header 'Project Name' and a sub-header 'Scenarios List'. The first window shows a list of scenarios with columns for 'Name', 'Type', 'Last Run', 'Status', and 'Actions'. The second window shows the same list but with a modal dialog box overlaid, titled 'New Analysis Scenario', containing fields for 'Name', 'Type', 'Last Run', and 'Status'. The third window shows a detailed view of a single scenario, with a table showing data for 'Inputs', 'Outputs', and 'Metrics'.



# Task Flows

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Similar Task Flows exist across various types of scientific software.



## **“Public website to share a dataset about planets”**

- See all the planets in my dataset
- View planet details along with images and plots for that planet

## Design System

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Task Flows

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# Explore Data

[data table](#) [data grid](#) [summary](#) [filter](#) [facets](#) [search](#)

## Intent

Enables users to view and work with data in a tabular layout with search, sort, filter, and summary view interactions.

It is the most commonly used task flow to showcase any entity and make it easily consumable and accessible.

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## Overview



## Explore Data (1 of 3) - Entity List

# Product Needs :

## Planets data website

- See all the planets in my dataset
  - View planet details along with images and plots for that planet

## Explore Data (2 of 3) - Details Preview

Project name

Current page

# Page header

(Optional) Page description/ helper text

(optional) Entity insights viz

Legend

- Attr 1
- Attr 2
- Attr 3

Entity list

FILTERS COLUMNS DENSITY EXPORT

Search...

Header	Header	Header	Header	Header
Cell	Cell	Cell	Cell	Cell
Cell	Cell	Cell	Cell	Cell
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Selected Entity ID

(Optional) Entity description or helper text.

Main attributes

Param 1	Lorem ipsum
Param 2	Sit amet, consectetur
Param 3	consectetur adipiscing elit, sed

Entity additional data

Param 1	Param 2	Param 3	Param 4
Cell	Cell	Cell	Cell
Cell	Cell	Cell	Cell
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Cell	Cell	Cell	Cell

Entity additional data

Attributes	Attributes	Attributes
Cell	Cell	Cell

VIEW ENTITY

EXPORT ENTITY DATA

## Product Needs :

# Planets data website

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# Explore Data (3 of 3) - Full Details

Project name

Entity name

(Optional) Page description/ helper text

PRIMARY ACTION

Entity section 1

Entity data trends

ANALYZE

Main attributes

Param 1									
Param 2		Param 2		Param 2		Param 2		Param 2	
Param 3		Param 3		Param 3		Param 3		Param 3	

Entity section 2

FILTERS

Search category

Attributes	Attributes	Attributes
Cell	Cell	Cell

Entity section 3

On this page

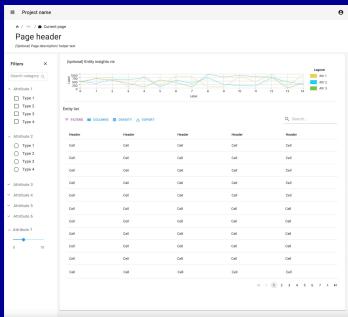
- Entity section 1
- Entity section 2
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- Entity section 4
- Entity section 5
- Entity section 6
- Entity section 7
- Entity section 8
- Entity section 9

Product Needs :  
**Planets data website**

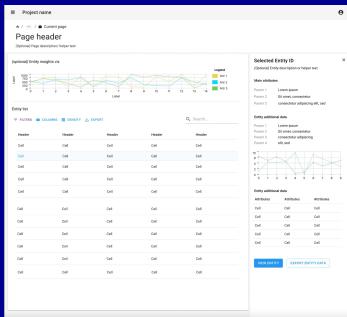
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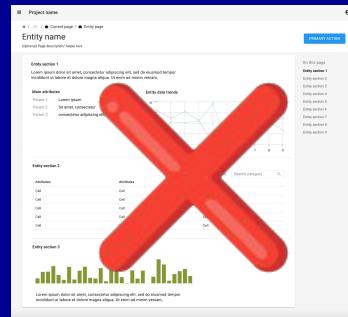
Entity Table



Details Preview



Full Details



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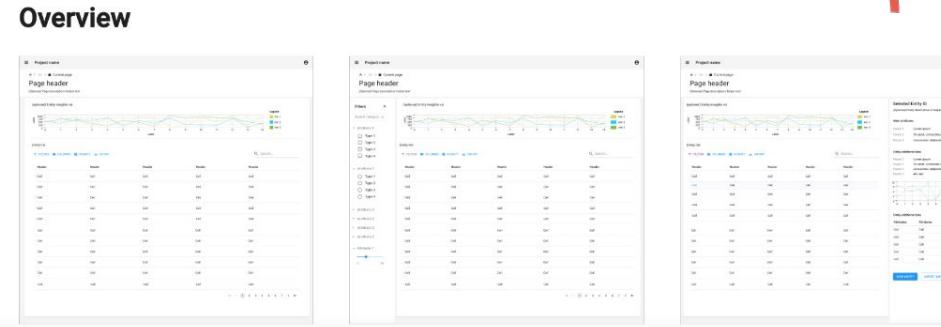
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# **Part 2**

## STRUDEL Kit

# What we will cover

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## Part 2

1. What is STRUDEL Kit?
2. How to implement STRUDEL Task Flows with STRUDEL Kit
3. Get involved in the STRUDEL community

# What is STRUDEL Kit?

## **Open Source Software Toolkit**

An open source software development kit for building web applications from the STRUDEL Task Flows.

## **Low-code command line starter tool**

Includes a simple command line tool to generate template code for apps and task flows.

## **React templates, STRUDEL Tech Stack, and curated resources**

Extensible React templates, modern stack of open source tools, and curated resources to help you build.

# React + Material UI Components



# Implementation Walkthrough

[Detailed Tutorial](#) ➔

## Getting Started with STRUDEL Kit (Beta)

In this tutorial you will learn the basics of how to build a web application using the STRUDEL end you will have your own customized version of the [Explore Data Task Flow](#) running in a we

### Who is this tutorial for?

This tutorial is for anyone who wants to build a web user interface for their scientific software deal with tools such as the command line, JavaScript, TypeScript, React, HTML, and CSS. Experience not required. This tutorial is written to be accessible to as many people as possible.

### Have feedback?

If you encounter any issues along the way or have feedback about how we can improve this tutorial, please let us know! You can do so by posting a comment on the [feedback thread](#) on our GitHub Discussions page.

### Jump In

#### 1. Set Up Your Development Environment

Install all the prerequisite and core software that powers the STRUDEL Kit.

#### 2. Create a Base App with STRUDEL

# Implement a STRUDEL Task Flow

## Setup

### 1. Install strudel-cli

```
pip install strudel-cli
```

# Implement a STRUDEL Task Flow

## Setup

### 1. Install strudel-cli

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### 2. Create a STRUDEL base app

```
strudel create-app planets-app
```

### Prompts from *create-app*

```
o (strudel-learn-env) learning-strudel % strudel create-app planets-app
Creating your app...
[1/2] name (planets-app):
[2/2] appTitle (My Science App): Planets■
```

### Generated files

```
✓ planets-app
  > public
  ✓ src
    ✓ app
      > home
      # App.css
      ☀ App.test.tsx
      ☀ App.tsx
      ☀ routes.tsx
      ☀ theme.tsx
      > components
      > context
      TS declarations.d.ts
      # index.css
      ☀ index.tsx
```

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```

```
npm install
```

```
npm start
```

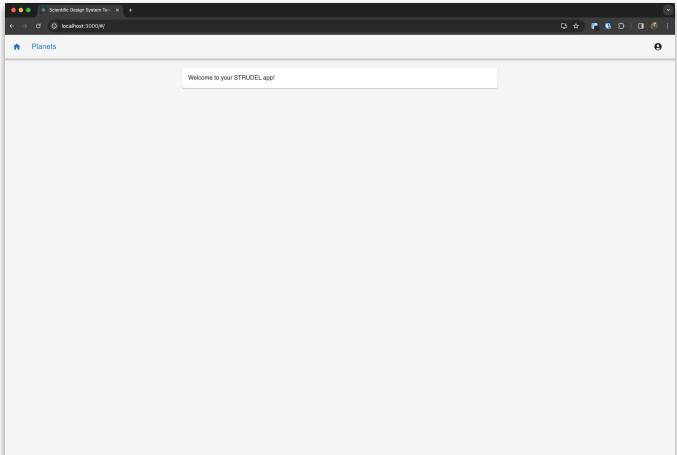
### Prompts from *create-app*

```
(strudel-learn-env) learning-strudel % strudel create-app planets-app
Creating your app...
[1/2] name (planets-app):
[2/2] appTitle (My Science App): Planets■
```

### Generated files

```
planets-app
├── public
└── src
    ├── app
    │   ├── home
    │   ├── # App.css
    │   ├── ☀ App.test.tsx
    │   ├── ☀ App.tsx
    │   ├── ☀ routes.tsx
    │   ├── ☀ theme.tsx
    │   ├── components
    │   ├── context
    │   └── TS declarations.d.ts
    ├── # index.css
    └── ☀ index.tsx
```

### Initial home page



# Implement a STRUDEL Task Flow

## Setup

### 3. Add a Task Flow to your app

```
strudel add-taskflow --config ..../tf-config.json
```

*tf-config.json (Task Flow Configuration)*

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### Generated files

```

  ↘ planets-app
    > node_modules
    > public
    ↘ src
      ↘ app
        > home
          ↘ solar-system
            > context
            ⚡ DataDetailPage.tsx
            ⚡ DataExplorer.tsx
            ⚡ DataTablePanel.tsx
            {} definitions.json
            ⚡ ExploreDataWrapper.tsx
            ⚡ FiltersPanel.tsx
            ⚡ index.tsx
            ⚡ PreviewPanel.tsx
            # App.css
            ⚡ App.test.tsx
            ⚡ App.tsx
            ⚡ routes.tsx
            ⚡ theme.tsx
```

*Data source placement*

```

  ↘ planets-app
    > node_modules
    > public
    ↘ data
      {} contributor_datasets.json
      {} datasets.json
      {} experiment_detail.json
      {} experiments.json
      📁 planets.csv
      {} scenarios.json
```

# Implement a STRUDEL Task Flow

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*Initial solar-system Task Flow*

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Venus	12103.6	4.869e10 <sup>24</sup>	3.39471	0.00677672
Earth	12756.3	5.974e10 <sup>24</sup>	0.00005	0.01671123
Mars	6794.4	6.419e10 <sup>23</sup>	1.85061	0.0933941
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# Implement a STRUDEL Task Flow

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  ...
}
```

*Initial solar-system Task Flow*

The screenshot shows a web application interface for a 'Solar System Explorer'. The title bar indicates the URL is `localhost:3000#/solar-system`. The main header says 'Planets Solar System'. Below it, a breadcrumb navigation shows 'Home / ... / Solar System Explorer'. A red box highlights the title 'Solar System Explorer'. The central part of the screen is a table with the following data:

FILTERS	Name	Diameter (km)	Mass (kg)	Inclination (deg)	Eccentricity
Mercury	4879.4	$3.302 \times 10^{23}$	7.004	0.20563593	
Venus	12103.6	$4.869 \times 10^{24}$	3.39471	0.00677672	
Earth	12756.3	$5.974 \times 10^{24}$	0.00005	0.01671123	
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Jupiter	142984	$1.889 \times 10^{27}$	1.3033	0.04838624	
Saturn	120536	$5.688 \times 10^{26}$	2.48446	0.05386179	
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Below the table, it says '1 row selected'. To the right of the table, there are sections for 'Preview Heading', 'Property Group 1', 'Property Group 2', and 'Related Data'. At the bottom right, there are buttons for 'VIEW DETAILS' and 'EXPORT DATA'.

# Implement a STRUDEL Task Flow

## Setup

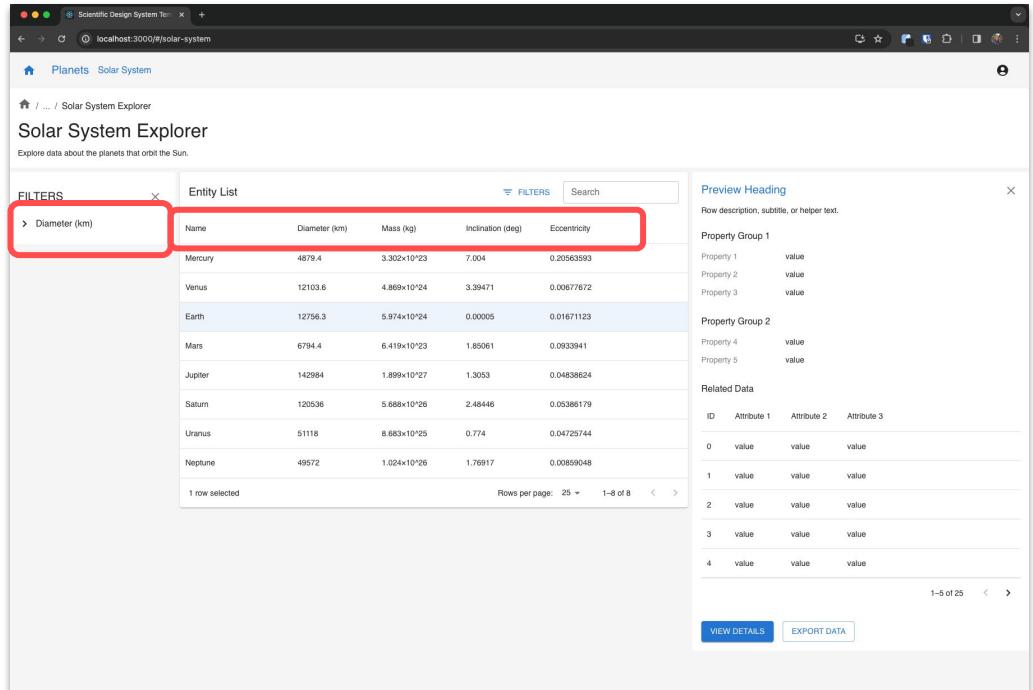
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  ...
}
```

### Initial solar-system Task Flow



The screenshot shows a web application titled "Solar System Explorer" at the URL "localhost:3000#/solar-system". The page displays a table of planetary data with columns: Name, Diameter (km), Mass (kg), Inclination (deg), and Eccentricity. The table includes rows for Mercury, Venus, Earth, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, and Neptune. To the right of the table, there are sections for "Preview Heading", "Property Group 1", "Property Group 2", and "Related Data". At the bottom, there are buttons for "VIEW DETAILS" and "EXPORT DATA".

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# Implement a STRUDEL Task Flow

## Setup

### 3. Add a Task Flow to your app

```
strudel add-taskflow --config ..../tf-config.json
```



```
{
  "name": "my-second-taskflow",
  "template": "run-computation",
  ...
}
```

```
{
  "name": "my-other-explorer",
  "template": "explore-data",
  ...
}
```

# Implement a STRUDEL Task Flow Customization

The screenshot shows a web-based application interface for exploring the solar system. The top navigation bar includes links for Home, Planets, and Solar System. The main content area is titled "Solar System Explorer" and describes the purpose of the page: "Explore data about the planets that orbit the Sun." Below this is a table titled "Entity List" with columns for Name, Diameter (km), Mass (kg), Inclination (deg), and Eccentricity. The table lists the following data for the first eight planets:

Name	Diameter (km)	Mass (kg)	Inclination (deg)	Eccentricity
Mercury	4879.4	$3.302 \times 10^{23}$	7.004	0.20563593
Venus	12103.6	$4.869 \times 10^{24}$	3.39471	0.00677672
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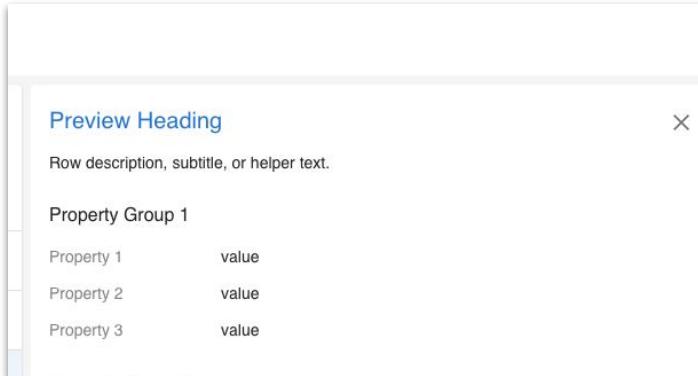
Below the table, there are filters for "Diameter (km)" and a search bar. To the right of the table, there are sections for "Preview Heading" (with placeholder text), "Property Group 1" (listing three properties), "Property Group 2" (listing two properties), and "Related Data" (listing four rows of data). At the bottom, there are buttons for "VIEW DETAILS" and "EXPORT DATA".

# Implement a STRUDEL Task Flow

## Customization

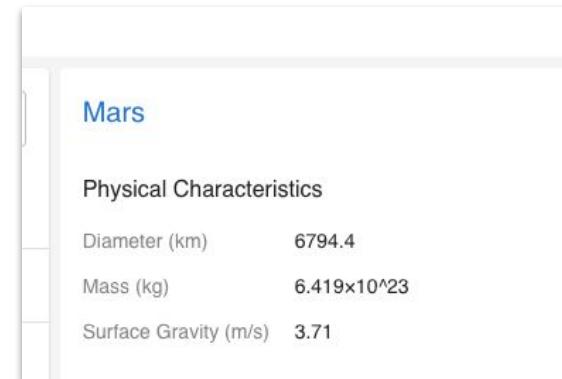
### 4. Customize and expand your Task Flow

*Snippet of initial preview panel*



*Add dynamic data to the preview panel*

*Snippet of customized preview panel*



```
<Typography fontWeight="medium" mb={1}>Property Group 1</Typography>
<LabelValueTable
  rows={[
    { label: 'Property 1', value: 'value' },
    { label: 'Property 2', value: 'value' },
    { label: 'Property 3', value: 'value' },
  ]}>
</>
```

```
<Typography fontWeight="medium" mb={1}>Physical Characteristics</Typography>
<LabelValueTable
  rows={[
    { label: 'Diameter (km)', value: state.previewItem['Diameter'] },
    { label: 'Mass (kg)', value: state.previewItem['Mass'] },
    { label: 'Surface Gravity (m/s)', value: state.previewItem['SurfaceGravity'] },
  ]}>
</>
```

# Implement a STRUDEL Task Flow

## Customization

### 4. Customize and expand your Task Flow

Keep building out your Task Flow

- Remove sections
- Add dynamic images and figures
- Add new components and sections
- Add links

Venus



Physical Characteristics

Diameter	12103.6
Mass	4.869x10 <sup>24</sup>
Surface Gravity	8.87

Orbital Characteristics

Inclination	3.39471
Eccentricity	0.00677672
Semi Major Axis	0.72333566
Orbital Period	0.615
Sidereal Rotation	243.0187
Satellites	0

[VIEW DETAILS](#) [EXPORT DATA](#)

# Implement a STRUDEL Task Flow

## Customization

### 5. Customize your theme and styles

*Modify the global theme*

*Theme configuration*

```
{  
  palette: {  
    mode: 'dark',  
    background: {  
      default: '#191919',  
      paper: '#232323'  
    },  
    primary: {  
      main: '#dd4050',  
      light: '#e36370',  
      dark: '#bf2231',  
      contrastText: '#fff'  
    }  
  },  
  ...  
  typography: {  
    htmlFontSize: 16,  
    fontFamily: '"Avenir", "Helvetica"',  
    fontSize: 14  
  }  
}
```

*Task Flow with modified palette*

The screenshot shows a task flow application with a dark-themed interface. On the left, there is a table titled "Entity List" displaying various celestial bodies with their characteristics: Name, Diameter (km), Mass (kg), Inclination (deg), and Eccentricity. The table rows alternate in color. On the right, a modal window for "Venus" is open, showing a 3D rendering of the planet and detailed physical and orbital characteristics.

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**Venus**

**Physical Characteristics**

- Diameter: 12103.6
- Mass:  $4.869 \times 10^{24}$
- Surface Gravity: 8.87

**Orbital Characteristics**

- Inclination: 3.39471
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- Semi Major Axis: 0.72333566
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**VIEW DETAILS** **EXPORT DATA**

# Implement a STRUDEL Task Flow

## Customization

### 5. Customize your theme and styles

Modify the app navigation bar

#### App-wide components

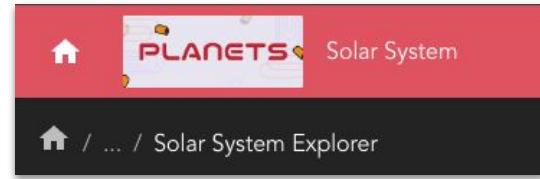
```
└─ planets-app
    ├─ node_modules
    ├─ public
    └─ src
        ├─ app
        └─ components
            ├─ contexts
            └─ TopBar.tsx
```

#### App navigation bar component



```
<AppBar
  color="default"
  position="static"
  sx={{
    backgroundColor: 'primary.main'
  }}>
```

#### Navigation bar with new color



# Implement a STRUDEL Task Flow Product

Solar System Explorer

Explore data about the planets that orbit the Sun.

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1 row selected

Rows per page: 25 ▾ 1-8 of 8 < >

Venus

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**VIEW DETAILS** **EXPORT DATA**

Implement a Task Flow UI in one hour or less.

Configurable options, simple architecture, and beginner-friendly tutorials.

Accessible to many members of the scientific community.

Take your app as far as you need.

# The Key Ingredients to the STRUDEL Kit

## Process

**Configure** UI details with JSON.

Task Flow React **templates** as starting points.

Combine sections like **building blocks**.

## Philosophy

Leverage the **open source tools** baked into the STRUDEL Tech Stack.

You should be in **control** of your app.

**Decouple** the data from the presentation; the backend from the frontend.

# STRUDEL Kit Tech Stack

## strudel-cli

Command-line tool for quickly generating Task Flow template code.

Command line

Python

JSON

Cookiecutter

## STRUDEL React Templates

Code templates for building STRUDEL Task Flows using the React web library.

JavaScript /  
TypeScript

React

Material UI  
Components

Plotly.js

# Continue Building: Add More Task Flows

The screenshot shows a data exploration interface. On the left, a sidebar titled "Solar System Explorer" lists celestial bodies with their names, diameters, mass, and density. A central "Entity List" table provides a detailed view of each body. On the right, a large image of Venus is displayed with its physical characteristics: diameter (12,103 km), mass (8.64e+24 kg), density (5.243 g/cm³), and surface gravity (8.87 m/s²). The interface includes filters and search functionality.

## Explore Data

The screenshot shows a computation task flow. It displays a progress bar for "Running Optimization" with the message "This may take several minutes. You may leave this page and return later. Your progress will not be affected." Below the progress bar, it says "Started 05/24/2023 12:33:11". The background is a solid blue color.

## Run Computation

The screenshot shows a dataset management interface. It includes sections for "Upload a new dataset", "Overview", "Datasets", "Models", and "Dataset Files". The "Dataset Files" section lists various files with their types, sizes, and status. A large blue button at the bottom right says "Add File".

## Contribute Data

The screenshot shows a search results page for data repositories. It includes a sidebar for "Dataset Releases" and a main area for "Data from Deceitful Change in Groundwater Quality Web Site (1988 - 2012)". The results table shows columns for Metric, Scenario Baseline, Scenario Full, Scenario Draft, and Scenario Baseline. The table includes rows for Volume/Mass Rate, TDS Concentration, COD Concentration, TIR Concentration, Acetic Acid Concentration, and Hardness. A summary at the bottom provides context about the data source and its collection period.

## Search Data Repositories

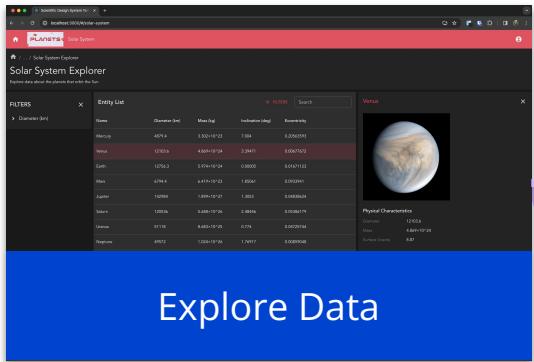
The screenshot shows a scenario comparison interface. It includes a "Compare Scenarios" section with a "Compare" button and a "New Scenario" button. The main area displays a table of data for various metrics across different scenarios. A summary at the bottom provides context about the data source and its collection period.

## Compare Data

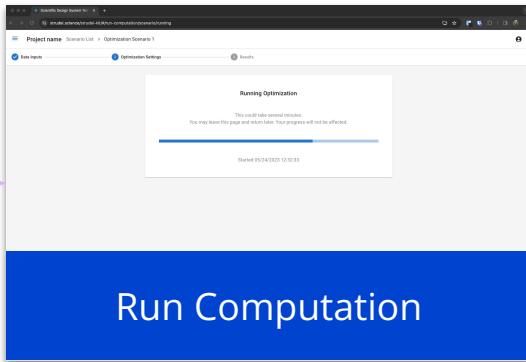
The screenshot shows a monitoring interface for an experiment titled "Experiment Cricket". It includes a table of data for "Event Type", "Event Time", and "Confidence". A summary at the bottom provides context about the data source and its collection period. A line graph in the bottom right shows data points for "Cricket C" and "Cricket D" over time.

## Monitor Activity

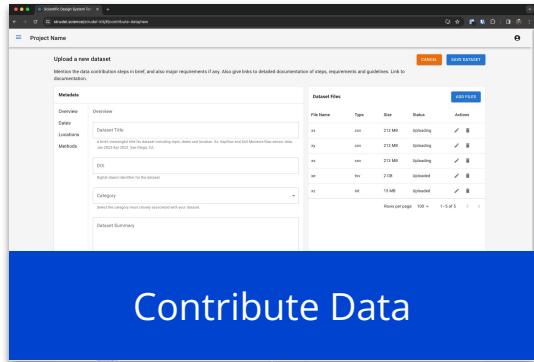
# Continue Building: Connect Task Flows



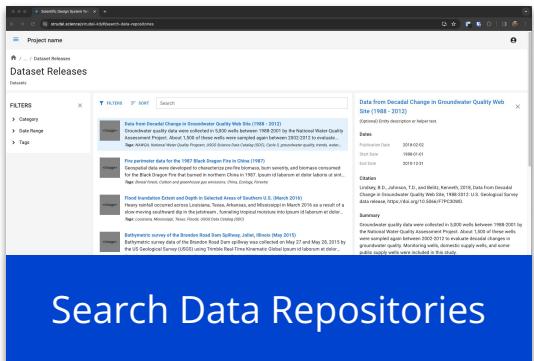
Explore Data



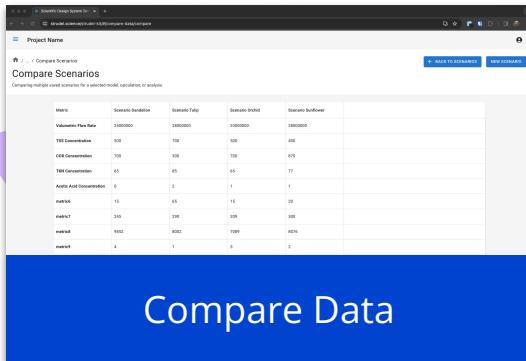
Run Computation



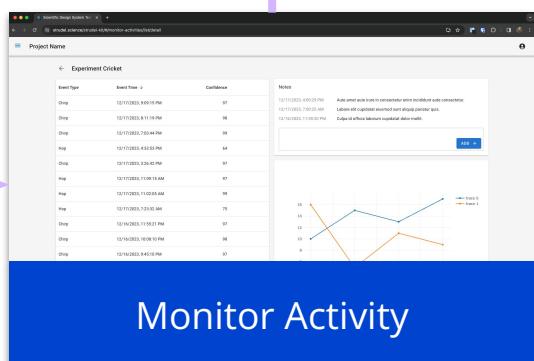
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Search Data Repositories

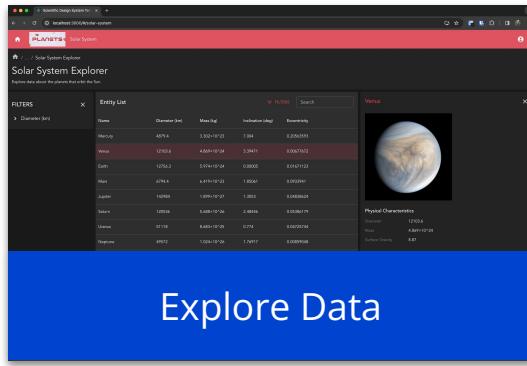


Compare Data

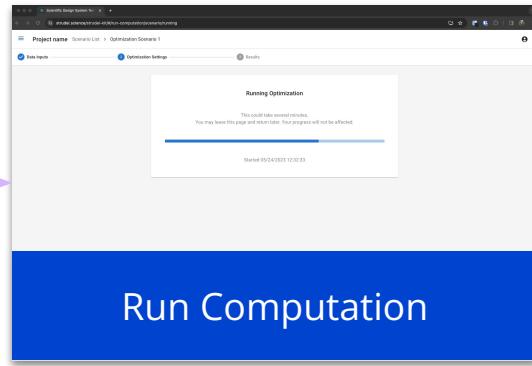


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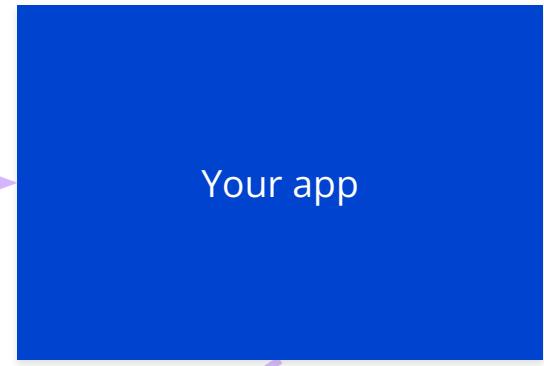
# Continue Building: Integrate an Existing App



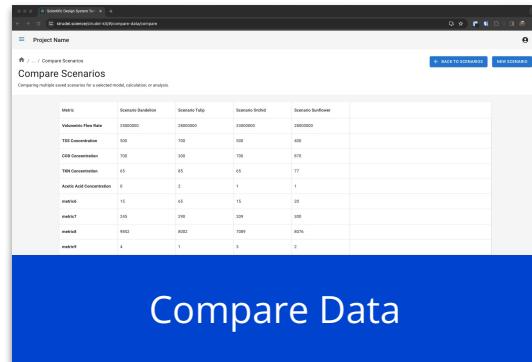
Explore Data



Run Computation



Your app



Compare Data

# **STRUDEL Design System**

## **Hackathon**

**Tuesday, March 19**

9:00 AM to 4:00 PM PDT

**In-person** at the **Berkeley Lab**

**Register now:** <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/1ststrudelhackathon>

Join the STRUDEL team and other members of the scientific community for an interactive day of building user interfaces with the STRUDEL Design System.

Attendance is completely free and lunch will be included. Registration required.

Funding to assist travel is not available for this event.

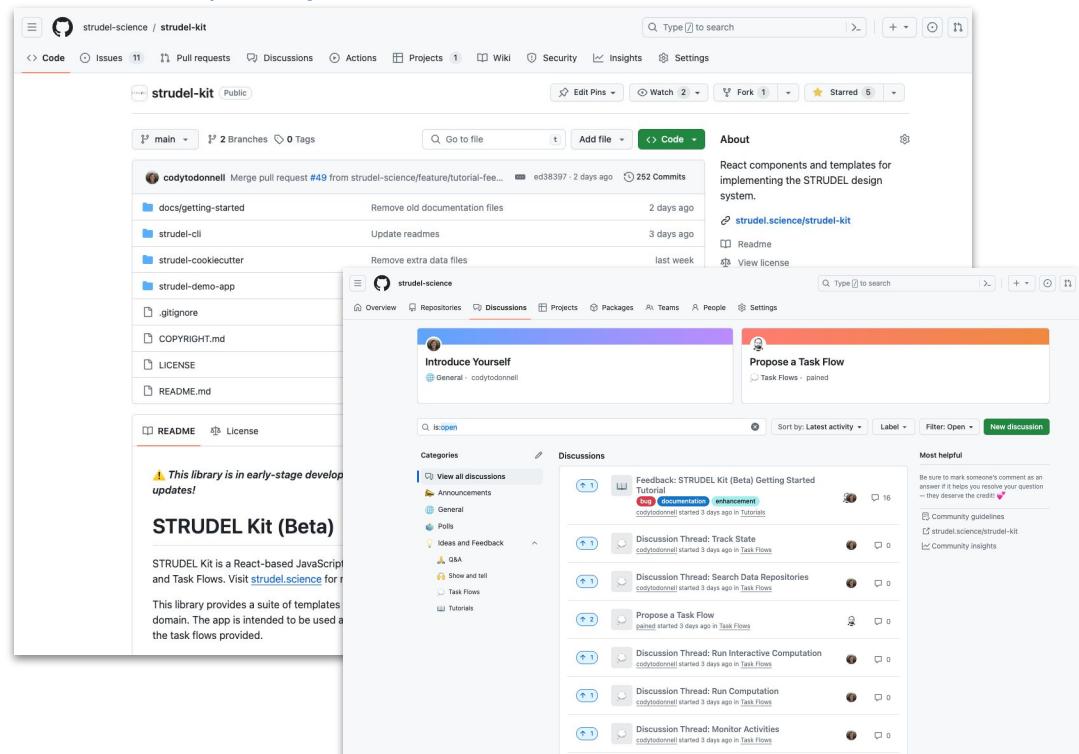
# How STRUDEL can Grow

STRUDEL Kit and the STRUDEL Design System are still early beta-stage projects.

Expanding the Task Flows and Implementation Process

- Advanced UI features and variants
- Advanced custom components
- Community-driven Task Flows
- Expanded suite of tutorials
- Smarter automation
- More complex configuration
- Graphical configuration UI
- Backend integrations

[strudel-kit repository on GitHub](#)



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# Get Involved!

## Join the STRUDEL Community



Visit our website to learn more & use our products!



<https://strudel.science>



Join the US-RSE User Experience working group to connect with the larger community of practice!



#wg-ux on the **US-RSE Slack**  
<https://go.lbl.gov/usrse-uxwg>



Join our mailing list to keep up to date & contribute to the community!

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<https://go.lbl.gov/strudel-discussion>

### STRUDEL Design System Hackathon

- In person @ Berkeley Lab
- Tuesday March 19, All Day
- *Space is limited! Please express your interest by this coming Monday March 11, 2024*
- [Register for the event](#)

**Interested in co-hosting a local hackathon?  
Reach out to chat!**

**Thank you for  
joining us!**

Questions?