

System Assumptions and Data Schema for Downtime Incident Triage Assistant Agent

Assumptions

1. Input & Data Format

- All incidents are provided in a structured JSON format (not natural language).
- Timestamps follow ISO 8601 (YYYY-MM-DDTHH:MM:SSZ).
- If `measured_value` or `threshold` are not applicable, they are set to `null`.
- API endpoint expects a flat JSON payload (fields at the root level, not nested under `"new_incident"`).

2. System Context

2.1 Sensor Infrastructure

- Each machine on the production line is equipped with IoT sensors capable of detecting abnormal operating conditions (e.g., temperature, pressure, conveyor jams, leaks).
- These sensors transmit real-time data to a centralized monitoring system (such as SCADA, PLC, or plant management software).

2.2 Centralized Incident Generation

- The central monitoring system continuously analyzes incoming raw sensor data.
- When a threshold breach or abnormal condition is detected, it generates a structured incident JSON containing:
 - `incident_id`
 - `machine`
 - `timestamp`
 - `type`
 - `measured_value`
 - `threshold`
 - `status`
- Only incident JSONs are forwarded to the AI agent — the agent never interacts directly with raw sensor streams.

2.3 Communication and Reliability

- Communication between the central system and the AI agent is assumed to be reliable and near real-time.
- Each request sent to the agent contains a single incident JSON.

2.4 Historical Data Availability

- A vector database of past incidents exists, pre-populated with historical incident records.
- Past incidents follow the same structured schema (or are converted into it before storage).
- Retrieval is based on similarity (e.g., machine type, incident type, status, and other relevant fields).

2.5 Scope Boundaries

- The system's scope begins after an incident JSON is generated.
- Pre-incident processes such as raw sensor calibration, noise filtering, or alert threshold tuning in the monitoring system are out of scope.
- The AI agent's responsibility is only:
 - Compare the new incident against historical data,
 - Provide a risk assessment,
 - Identify probable root causes, and
 - Suggest recommended actions.

3. Retrieval & Historical Data

- Vector search considers all retrieved incidents, not just one.
- Analysis aggregates causes and actions from multiple incidents when possible.
- Historical data is assumed to be accurate, consistent, and relevant.

4. AI Analysis & Output

- Risk levels are standardized as High, Moderate, or Low.
- The AI always bases recommendations on retrieved past incidents only (no hallucinated causes/actions).
- Outputs follow a consistent structured format for downstream integration.

Schema

1. Input incident schema

1.1 JSON Schema (Structure)

Field	Type	Type	Description
incident_id	string	Yes	Unique identifier for the incident (e.g., AUTO-INC-002).
machine	string	Yes	Machine/line where the incident occurred (e.g., <i>Filler Line B</i>).
timestamp	string	Yes	Time of the incident in ISO 8601 format (UTC).
type	string	Yes	Type of incident (e.g., ConveyorJam, Overheat, Leakage).
measured_value	number null	Optional	Sensor reading at incident time (e.g., 85.0). Can be null.
threshold	number null	Optional	Threshold limit that triggered the incident. Can be null.
status	string	Yes	System response (emergency_stop, warning, shutdown).

1.2 Example Input

```
{  
  "incident_id": "AUTO-INC-002",  
  "machine": "Filler Line B",  
  "timestamp": "2025-08-18T09:45:00Z",  
  "type": "ConveyorJam",  
  "measured_value": null,  
  "threshold": null,  
  "status": "emergency_stop"  
}
```

2. Output Schema

2.1 JSON Schema (Structure)

Field	Type	Description
incident	string	Flattened representation of the new incident.
risk_level	string	Risk classification: High, Medium, or Low.
root_causes	[string]	List of possible root causes derived from past incidents.
recommended_actions	[string]	List of recommended actions corresponding to the identified root causes.
relevant_past_incidents_count	integer	Number of past incidents retrieved and considered in analysis.

2.2 Example Output

```
{
  "incident": "incident_id: AUTO-INC-002 | machine: Filler Line B | timestamp: 2025-08-18T09:45:00Z | type: ConveyorJam | measured_value: None | threshold: None | status: emergency_stop",
  "risk_level": "High",
  "root_causes": [
    "Misaligned guide rail",
    "Loose hose connection"
  ],
  "recommended_actions": [
    "Adjust the misaligned guide rail",
    "Tighten the loose hose connection",
    "Clean up any spillage and ensure safety measures are followed"
  ],
  "relevant_past_incidents_count": 2
}
```

3. Schema Validation with Pydantic

Used Pydantic models (via FastAPI) to enforce schema validation on input incidents.

```
from pydantic import BaseModel
from typing import Optional

class Incident(BaseModel):
    incident_id: str
    machine: str
    timestamp: str
    type: str
    measured_value: Optional[float] = None
    threshold: Optional[float] = None
    status: str
```