A light-weight data extracting, processing, transformation engine designed using Java programming language (no 3rd party libraries used).

IDE used: IntelliJ IDEA

JDK version: 17

JavaDocs specification for commenting styles, such as @param, @return etc.:

Fig 1.1: JavaDocs specification example

Design principles used: I have used some of the SOLID design principles in my code. I have created each module independently to reduce code coupling and follow the Single Responsibility principle.

Application type: console-based

Project structure:

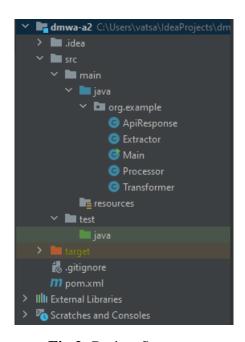


Fig 2: Project Structure

Extraction Engine Implementation:

Keywords used: "Canada", "University", "Dalhousie", "Halifax", "Canada Education", "Moncton", "hockey", "Fredericton", "celebration"

To implement extraction engine, I created an HTTP connection with https://newsapi.org. The response of GET request is in the form of JSON. I have parsed the JSON string using Regex pattern.

Pseudo code of data extraction program: FUNCTION extract(url) { TRY connection = url.openConnection() // creating an HTTP connection connection.setRequestMethod("GET") // sending GET request in = new BufferedReader(new InputStreamReader(connection.getInputStream())) responseContent = new StringBuffer() WHILE (inputLine = in.readLine()) != null responseContent.append(inputLine) in.close() // Matching a Regex pattern to extract the titles and contents from the JSON String pattern = Pattern.compile("\"title\":\"((?:[^\"\\\]|\\\.)*)\"(.*?(?=\"content\":\"([\\s\\S]+?(?=\"}(,\\{]])))))") matcher = pattern.matcher(responseContent) apiResponseList = new ArrayList<>(); WHILE matcher.find() apiResponseList.add(new ApiResponse(matcher.group(1), matcher.group(3))) RETURN apiResponseList CATCH (RuntimeException OR IOException e) RETURN NULL

}

Data-Processing Engine Implementation:

Once the raw data is captured using the API, this program writes the news contents, and the titles to files. Each file contains only 5 news articles or less.

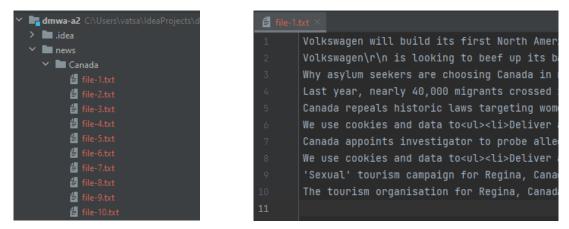


Fig 3: Example of file structure after processing the data

Transformation Engine Implementation:

In this step, the raw data stored in files is automatically cleansed and transformed the data, and then upload each record to new MongoDB database "myMongoNews". I have created multiple collections to store the data for each keyword.

Flowchart of the transformation engine:

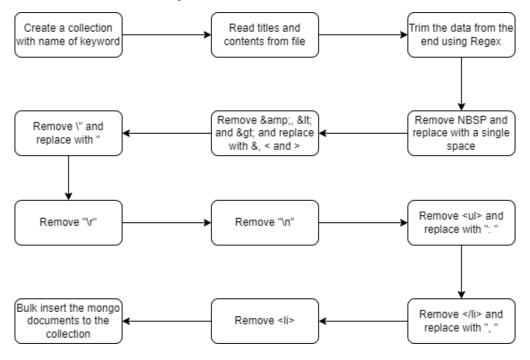


Fig 4: Flowchart of the transformation engine

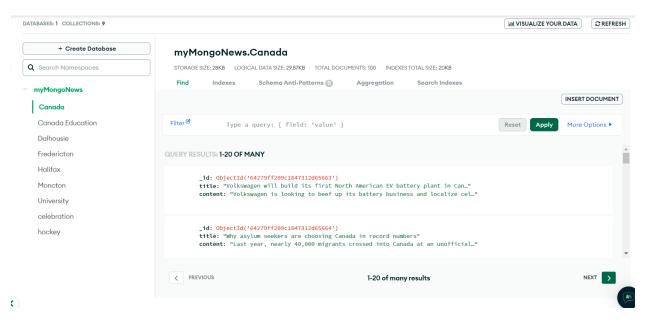


Fig 5: Mongo Cloud Database "myMongoNews" after transformation of the data

MongoDB document after the transformation process is completed:

{"_id":{"\$oid":"64279ff209c1847312d65663"},"title":"Volkswagen will build its first North American EV battery plant in Canada","content":"Volkswagen is looking to beef up its battery business and localize cell production for its electric vehicles. It has taken another step toward that goal by announcing subsidiary PowerCo's first N"}

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