Payment Service – Event Ticketing System

Overview

This documentation describes the design, development, and deployment of the Payment Service, which is one of the key microservices in the Event Ticketing and Seat Reservation System (ETS). The Payment Service manages financial transactions, including processing user charges, issuing refunds, and maintaining idempotent request handling to prevent duplicate operations.
It operates as an independent Spring Boot microservice following the database-per-service pattern for full data isolation and scalability.

Service Responsibilities

The Payment Service is responsible for:

- Processing new payment charges from confirmed orders.
- Recording and updating transaction statuses – PENDING, SUCCESS, FAILED, REFUNDED.
- Handling refund requests for successful payments.
- Enforcing idempotency using an Idempotency-Key to prevent duplicate charges.
- Providing RESTful APIs for order and finance modules to initiate or verify payments.
- Persisting all transactions in a dedicated PostgreSQL database.

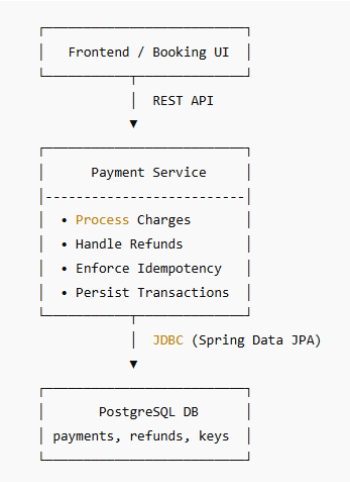
Each payment record is uniquely linked to an Order ID from the Order Service.

Architecture and Design

The Payment Service follows a four-layered architecture:

- Controller Layer → Exposes REST endpoints to clients and other services.
- Service Layer → Implements business logic for charge processing, refunds, and idempotency.
- Repository Layer → Handles database persistence via Spring Data JPA.
- Model Layer → Defines entity classes for Payment, Refund, and Idempotency Key.

Architecture Diagram-



Entity Relationship Diagram (ERD)-

Entities:

1. Payment
    - Tracks each charge request.
    - Linked to an orderId.
    - Has status, amount, method, and reference.
2. Refund
    - Linked to a paymentId.
    - Tracks refund amount and reference number.
3. IdempotencyKey
    - Stores request fingerprints and cached responses to ensure idempotent POST operations.

Relationships:

- One Payment can have multiple Refunds.
- Each IdempotencyKey is unique per API call.

REST API Endpoints -

Method	Endpoint	Description
POST	/v1/payments/charge	Process a payment charge (requires Idempotency-Key header)
POST	/v1/payments/refund	Refund a completed payment
GET	/v1/payments/{id}	Retrieve details of a specific payment
GET	/v1/payments/health	Health check endpoint
GET	/actuator/prometheus	Prometheus metrics for monitoring

Containerization with Docker –

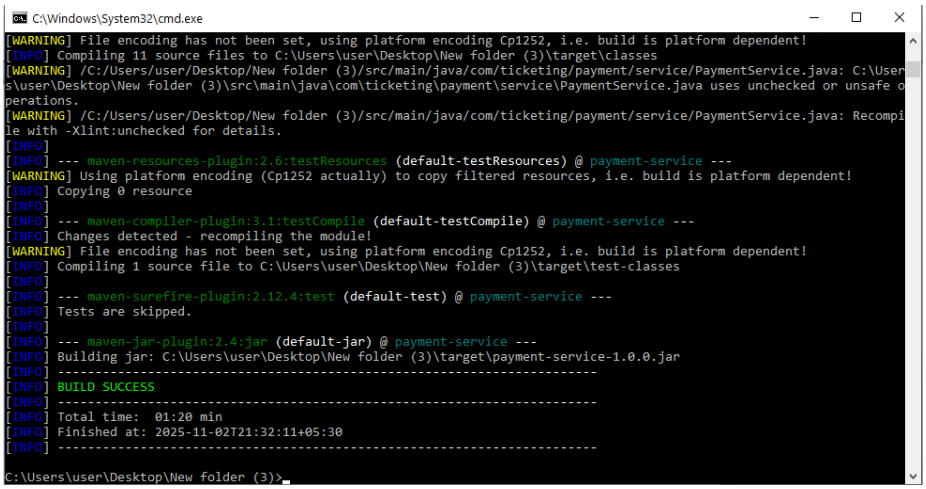
The Payment Service is fully containerized using Docker.

- Dockerfile: Builds a lightweight image from eclipse-temurin:17-jdk-alpine.
- docker-compose.yml: Deploys both the application and a dedicated PostgreSQL database.

Build and Run Commands:
mvn clean package -DskipTests
docker-compose up --build

Once running:

- Application: http://localhost:8080/v1/payments/health
- Database: localhost:5432 (paymentsdb)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perations.
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le with -Xlint:unchecked for details.
[INFO]
[INFO] --- maven-resources-plugin:2.6:testResources (default-testResources) @ payment-service ---
[WARNING] Using platform encoding (Cp1252 actually) to copy filtered resources, i.e. build is platform dependent!
[INFO] Copying 0 resource
[INFO]
[INFO] --- maven-compiler-plugin:3.1:testCompile (default-testCompile) @ payment-service ---
[INFO] Changes detected - recompiling the module!
[WARNING] File encoding has not been set, using platform encoding Cp1252, i.e. build is platform dependent!
[INFO] Compiling 1 source file to C:\Users\user\Desktop\New folder (3)\target\test-classes
[INFO]
[INFO] --- maven-surefire-plugin:2.12.4:test (default-test) @ payment-service ---
[INFO] Tests are skipped.
[INFO]
[INFO] --- maven-jar-plugin:2.4:jar (default-jar) @ payment-service ---
[INFO] Building jar: C:\Users\user\Desktop\New folder (3)\target\payment-service-1.0.0.jar
[INFO] --
[INFO] BUILD SUCCESS
[INFO] --
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[INFO] --
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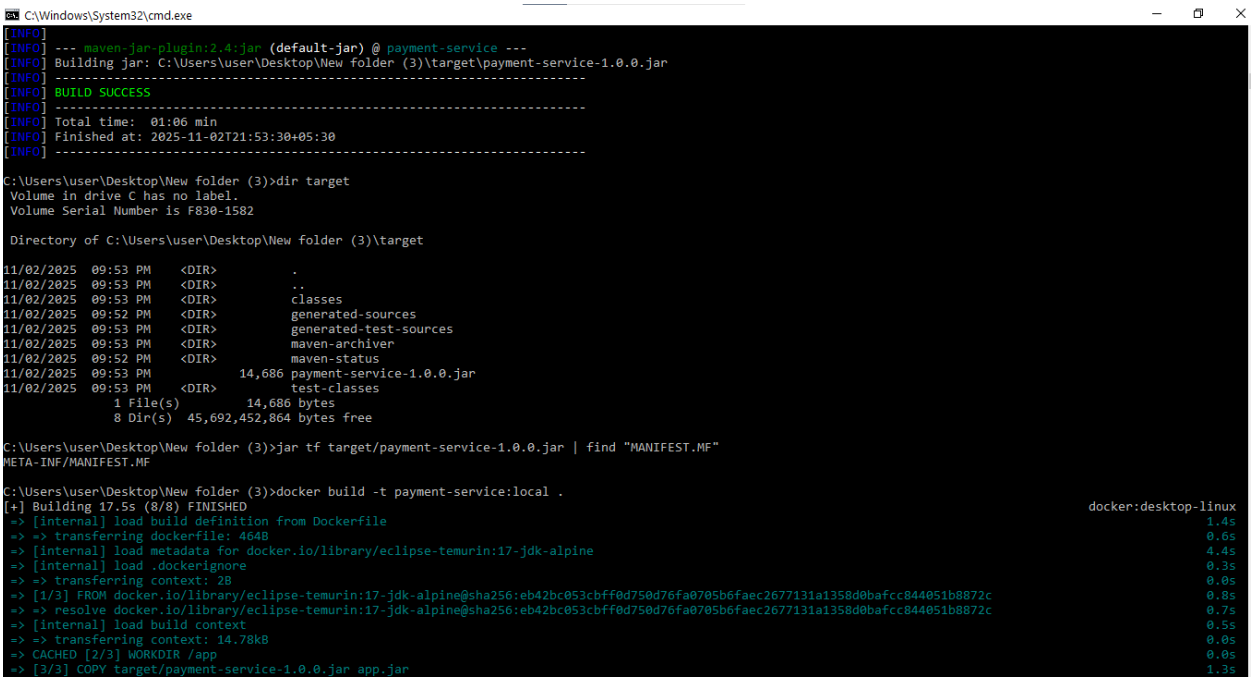
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Volume Serial Number is F830-1582
Directory of C:\Users\user\Desktop\New folder (3)\target
11/02/2025 09:53 PM <DIR> .
11/02/2025 09:53 PM <DIR> ..
11/02/2025 09:53 PM <DIR> classes
11/02/2025 09:52 PM <DIR> generated-sources
11/02/2025 09:53 PM <DIR> generated-test-sources
11/02/2025 09:53 PM <DIR> maven-archiver
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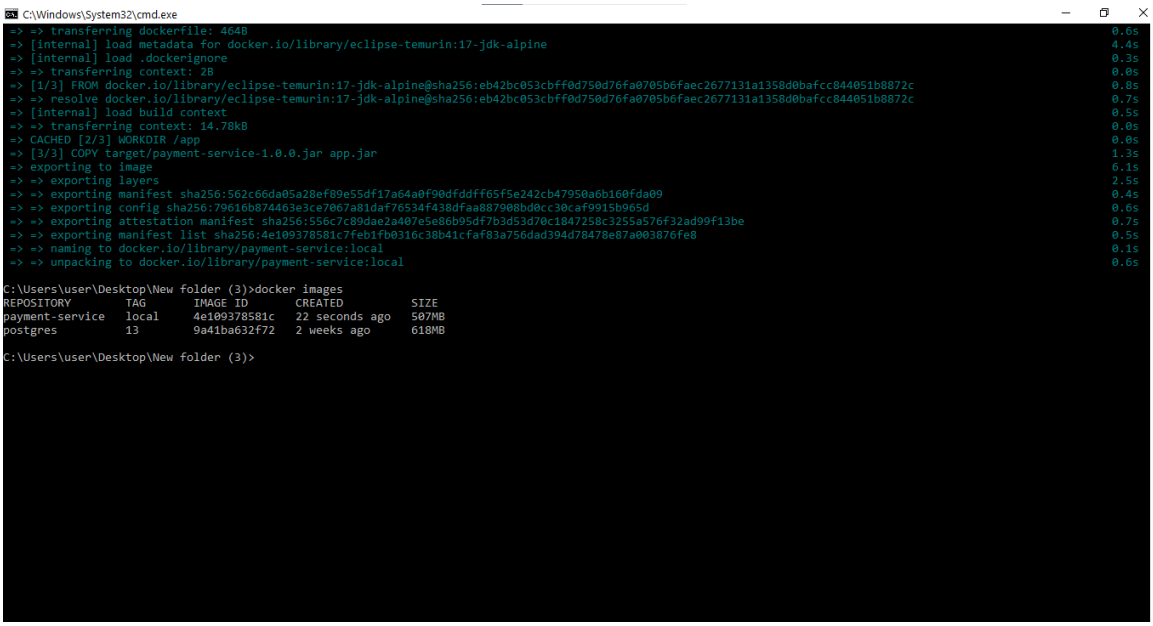
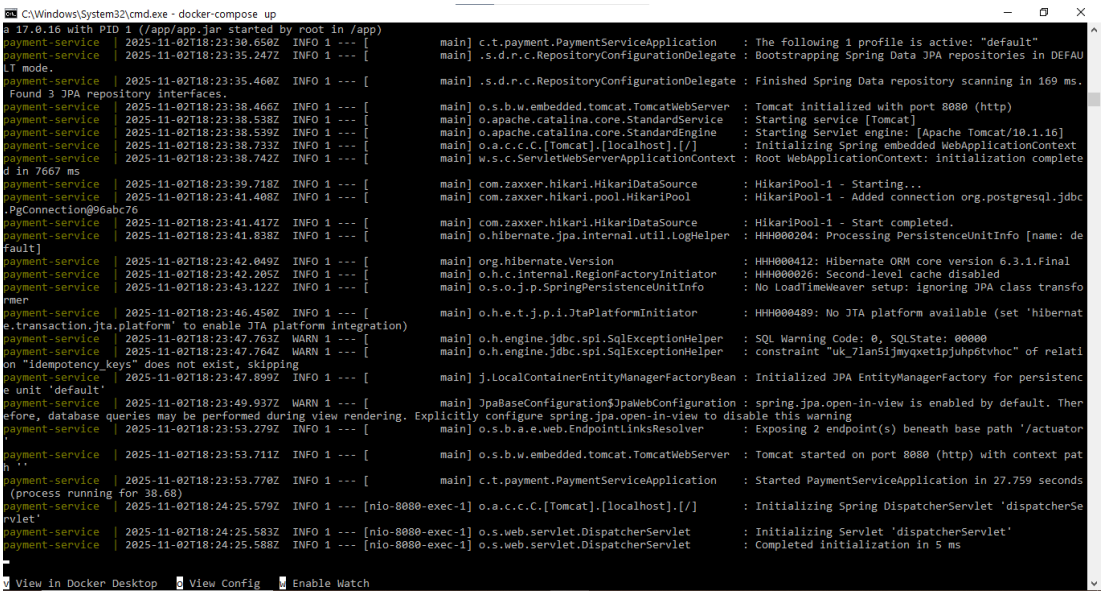
11/02/2025 09:53 PM 14,686 payment-service-1.0.0.jar
11/02/2025 09:53 PM <DIR> test-classes
1 File(s) 14,686 bytes
8 Dir(s) 45,692,452,864 bytes free
C:\Users\user\Desktop\New folder (3)>jar tf target/payment-service-1.0.0.jar | find "MANIFEST.MF"
META-INF/MANIFEST.MF
C:\Users\user\Desktop\New folder (3)>docker build -t payment-service:local .
[+] Building 17.5s (8/8) FINISHED docker:desktop-linux
=> [internal] load build definition from Dockerfile 1.4s
=> => transferring dockerfile: 464B 0.6s
=> [internal] load metadata for docker.io/library/eclipse-temurin:17-jdk-alpine 4.4s
=> [internal] load .dockerignore 0.3s
=> => transferring context: 2B 0.0s
=> [1/3] FROM docker.io/library/eclipse-temurin:17-jdk-alpine@sha256:eb42bc053cbff0d750d76fa0705b6faec2677131a1358d0bafcc844051b8872c 0.8s
=> => resolve docker.io/library/eclipse-temurin:17-jdk-alpine@sha256:eb42bc053cbff0d750d76fa0705b6faec2677131a1358d0bafcc844051b8872c 0.7s
=> [internal] load build context 0.5s
=> => transferring context: 14.78kB 0.0s
=> CACHED [2/3] WORKDIR /app 0.0s
=> [3/3] COPY target/payment-service-1.0.0.jar app.jar 1.3s





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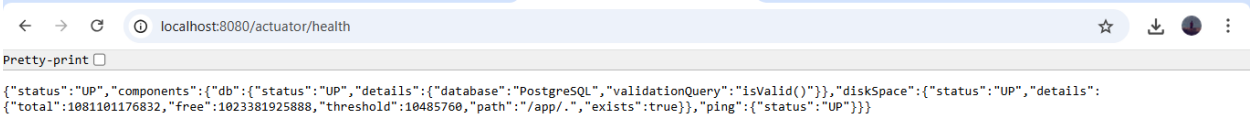

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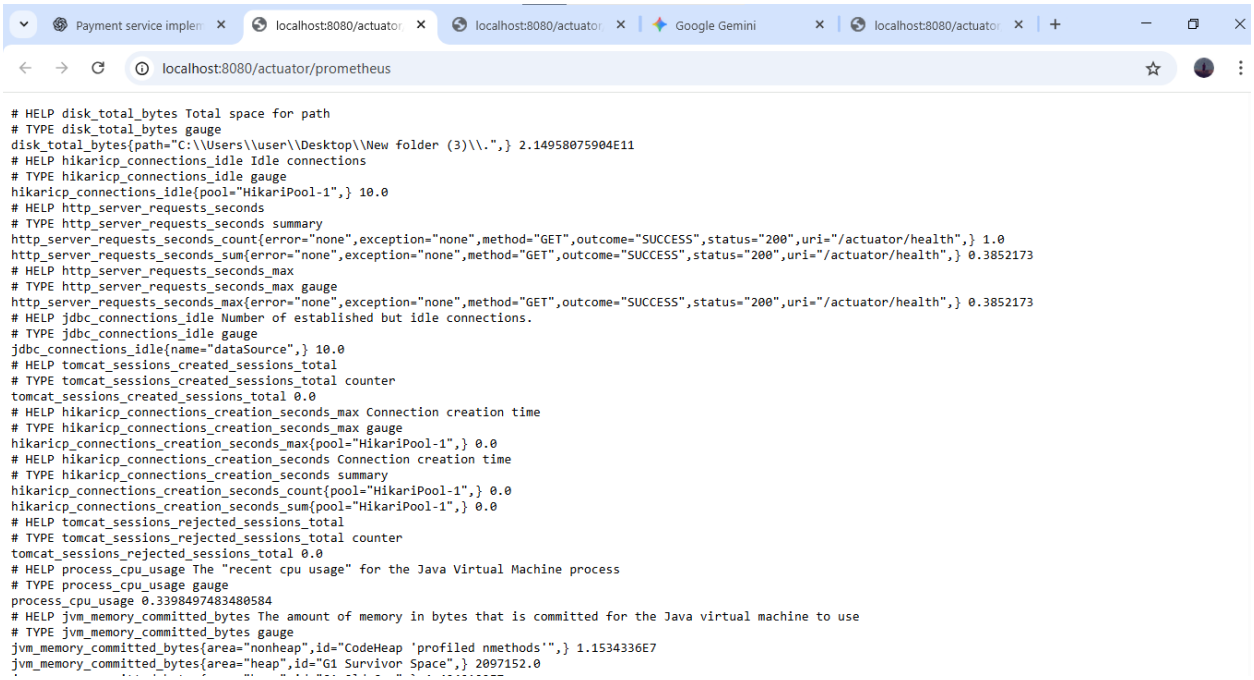

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# HELP disk_total_bytes Total space for path
# TYPE disk_total_bytes gauge
disk_total_bytes{path="C:\\Users\\user\\Desktop\\New folder (3)\\.",} 2.14958075904E11
# HELP hikaricp_connections_idle Idle connections
# TYPE hikaricp_connections_idle gauge
hikaricp_connections_idle{pool="HikariPool-1",} 10.0
# HELP http_server_requests_seconds
# TYPE http_server_requests_seconds summary
http_server_requests_seconds_count{error="none",exception="none",method="GET",outcome="SUCCESS",status="200",uri="/actuator/health",} 1.0
http_server_requests_seconds_sum{error="none",exception="none",method="GET",outcome="SUCCESS",status="200",uri="/actuator/health",} 0.3852173
# HELP http_server_requests_seconds_max
# TYPE http_server_requests_seconds_max gauge
http_server_requests_seconds_max{error="none",exception="none",method="GET",outcome="SUCCESS",status="200",uri="/actuator/health",} 0.3852173
# HELP jdbc_connections_idle Number of established but idle connections.
# TYPE jdbc_connections_idle gauge
jdbc_connections_idle{name="dataSource",} 10.0
# HELP tomcat_sessions_created_sessions_total
# TYPE tomcat_sessions_created_sessions_total counter
tomcat_sessions_created_sessions_total 0.0
# HELP hikaricp_connections_creation_seconds_max Connection creation time
# TYPE hikaricp_connections_creation_seconds_max gauge
hikaricp_connections_creation_seconds_max{pool="HikariPool-1",} 0.0
# HELP hikaricp_connections_creation_seconds Connection creation time
# TYPE hikaricp_connections_creation_seconds summary
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hikaricp_connections_creation_seconds_sum{pool="HikariPool-1",} 0.0
# HELP tomcat_sessions_rejected_sessions_total
# TYPE tomcat_sessions_rejected_sessions_total counter
tomcat_sessions_rejected_sessions_total 0.0
# HELP process_cpu_usage The "recent cpu usage" for the Java Virtual Machine process
# TYPE process_cpu_usage gauge
process_cpu_usage 0.3398497483480584
# HELP jvm_memory_committed_bytes The amount of memory in bytes that is committed for the Java virtual machine to use
# TYPE jvm_memory_committed_bytes gauge
jvm_memory_committed_bytes{area="nonheap",id="CodeHeap 'profiled nmethods'",} 1.1534336E7
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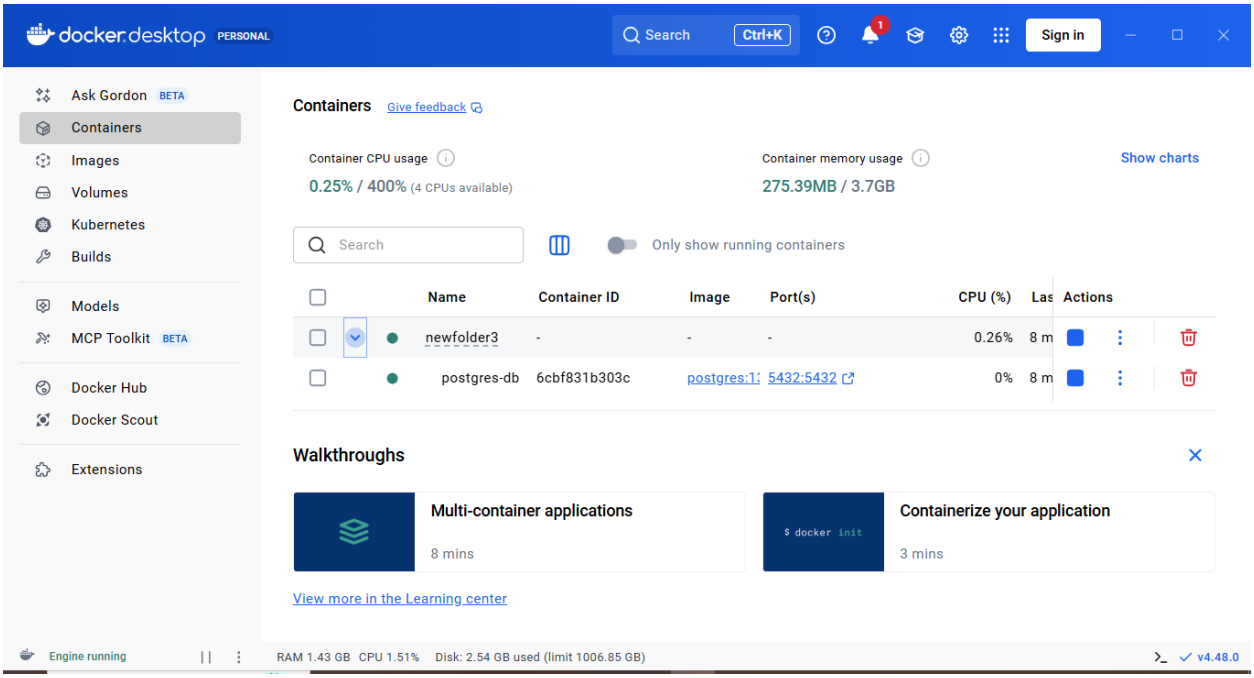
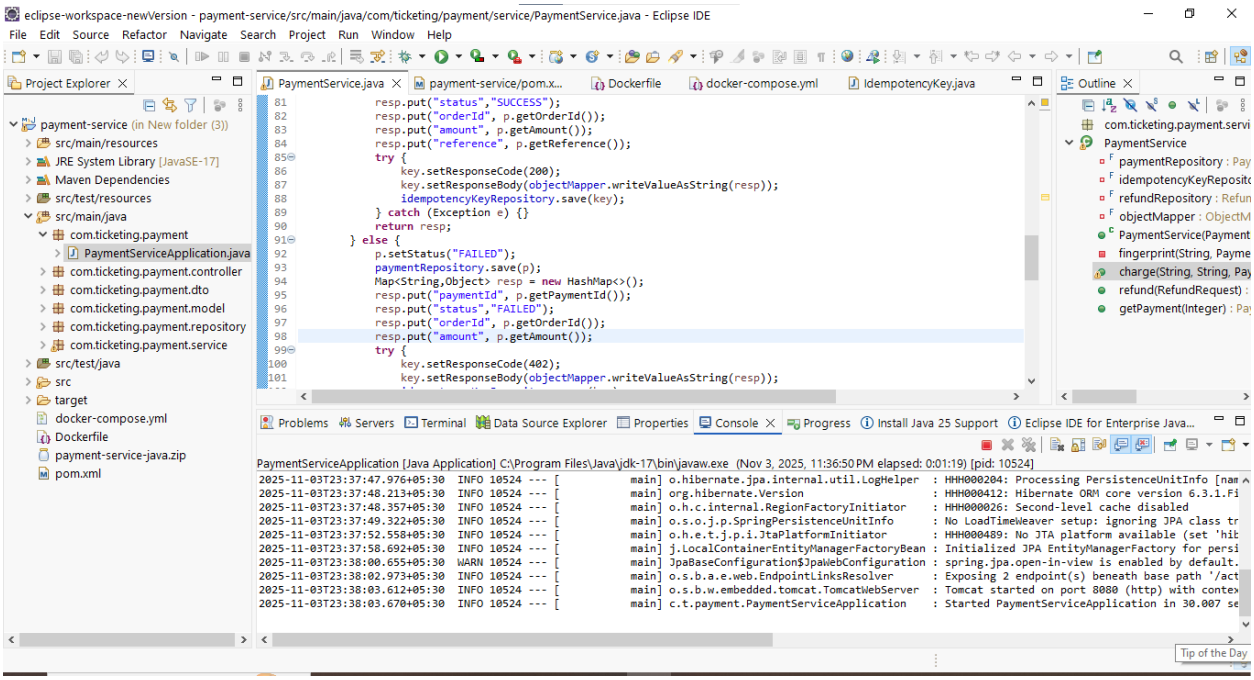
Docker -





Sample Request and Response -

POST – Charge Payment

Request:

```
{
 "orderId": "ORD1001",
 "amount": 500.0,
 "currency": "INR",
 "method": "CARD"
}
```

Headers:

Idempotency-Key: charge-101

Response (Success):

```
{
 "paymentId": 1,
 "status": "SUCCESS",
 "orderId": "ORD1001",
 "amount": 500.0,
 "reference": "ETP-a1b2c3d4"
}
```

Response (Duplicate Key):

```
{
 "error": "Idempotency conflict"
}
```

POST – Refund Payment

Request:

```
{
 "paymentId": 1,
 "amount": 500.0
}
```

Response:

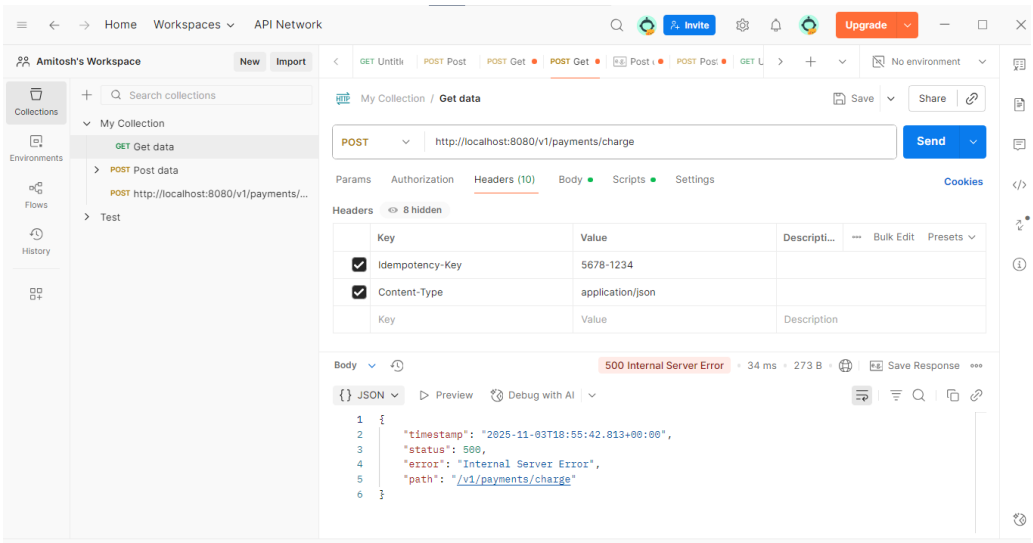
```
{
 "refundId": 1,
 "status": "SUCCESS",
 "paymentId": 1,
 "amount": 500.0
}
```

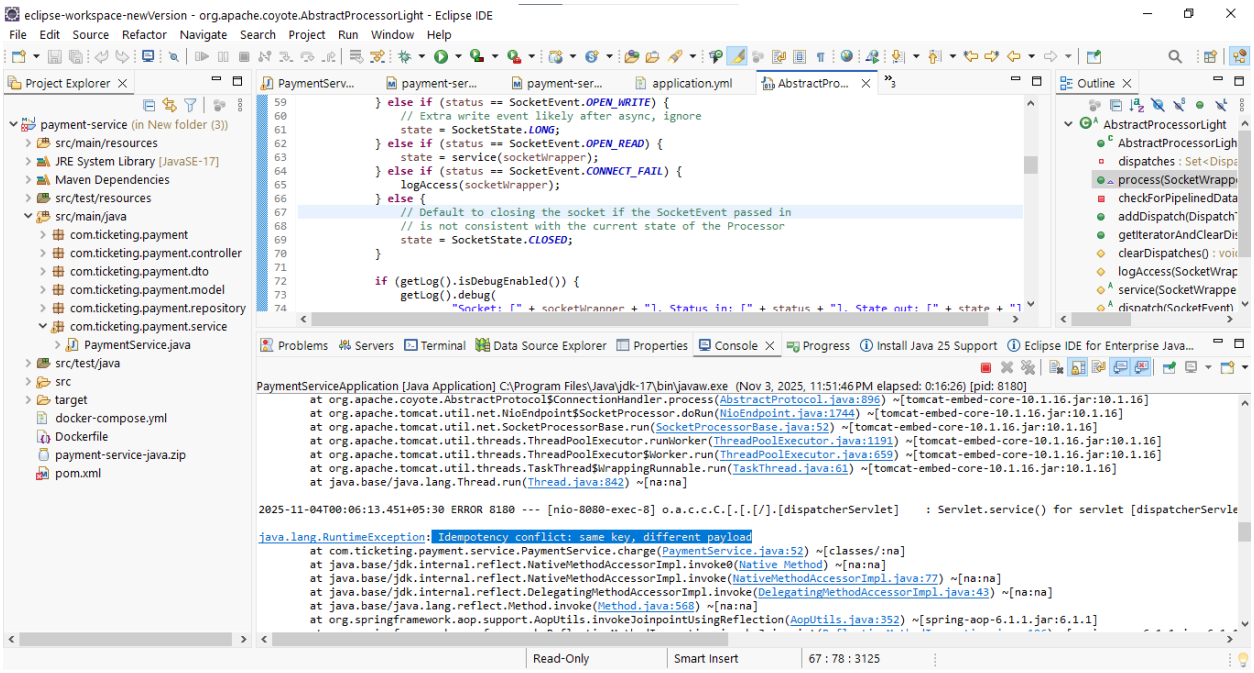

GET – Retrieve Payment

Request:
GET /v1/payments/1
Response:

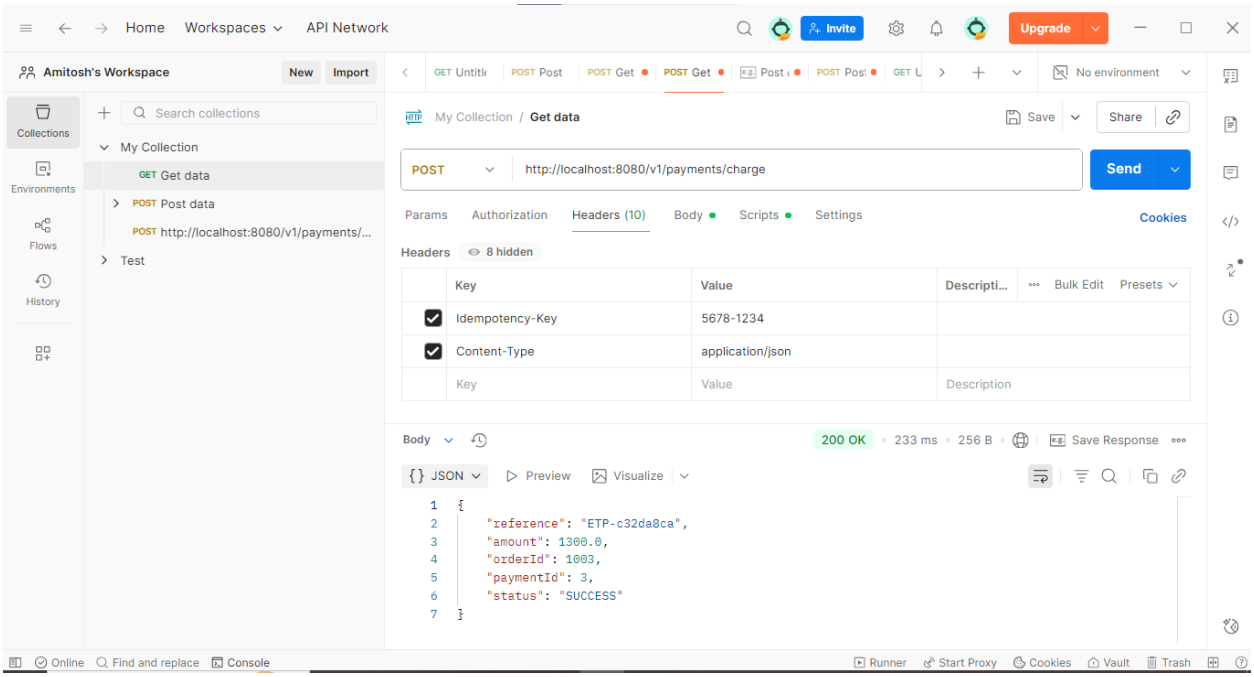
```
{
 "paymentId": 1,
 "orderId": "ORD1001",
 "amount": 500.0,
 "currency": "INR",
 "status": "SUCCESS",
 "method": "CARD",
 "reference": "ETP-a1b2c3d4"
}
```

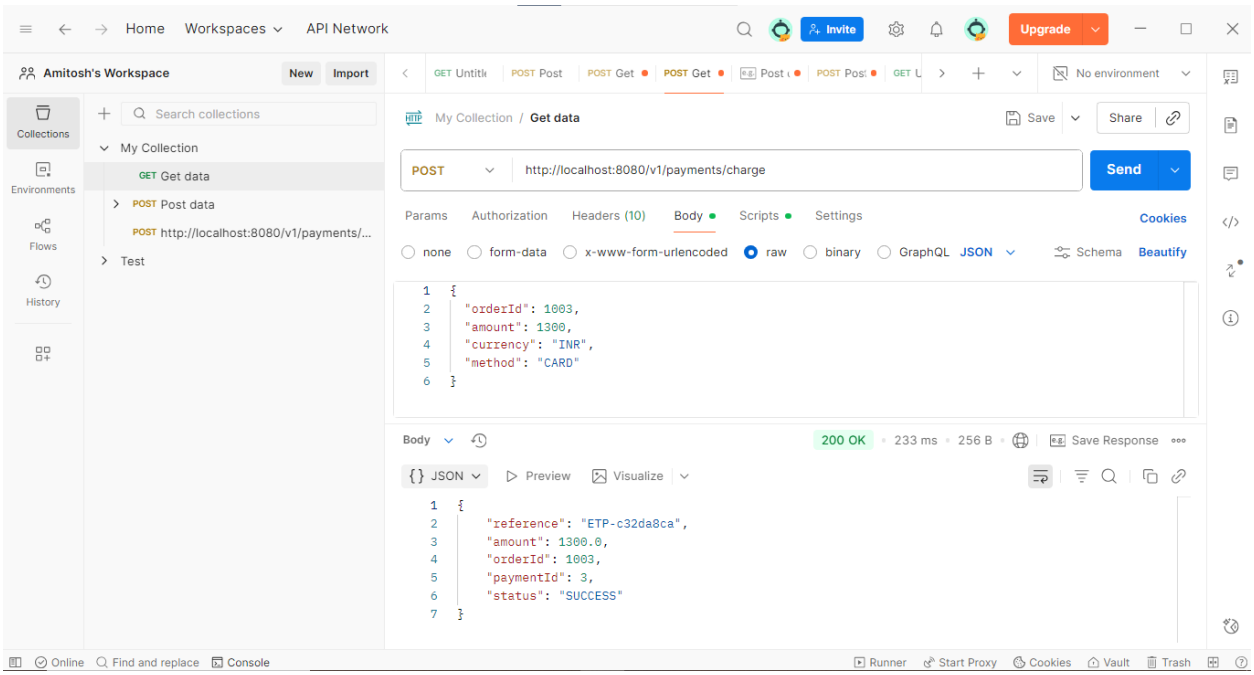

Idempotency-



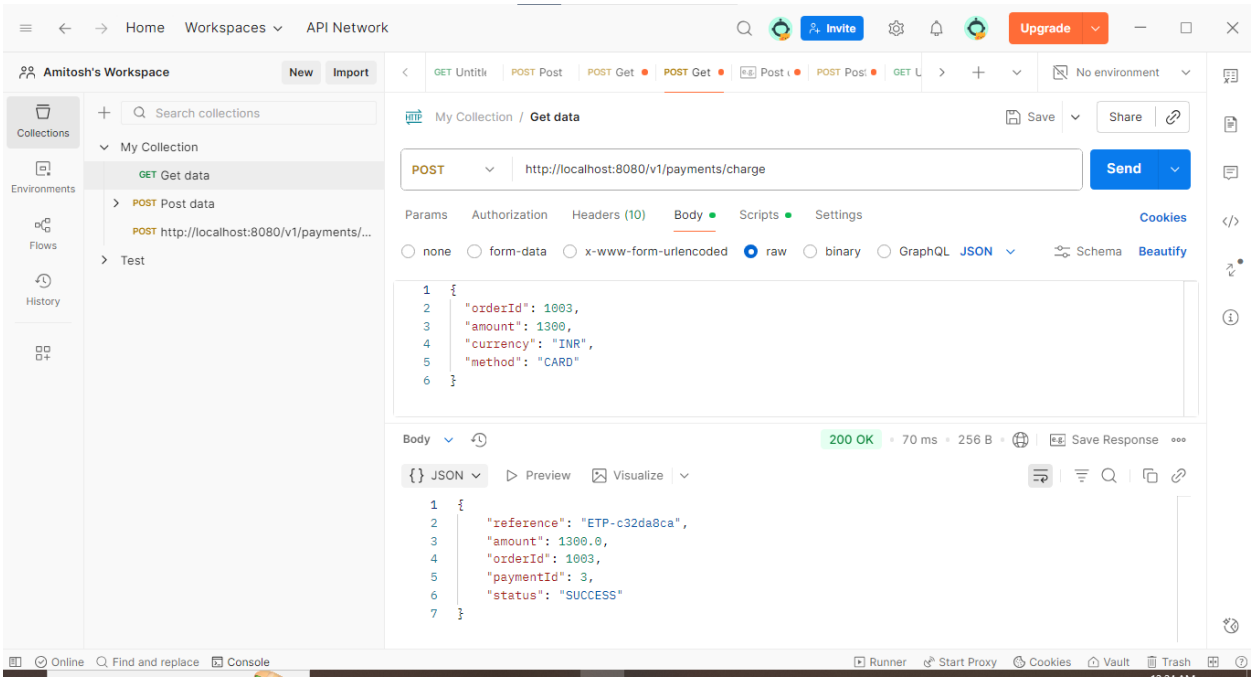


http://localhost:8080/v1/payments/charge -

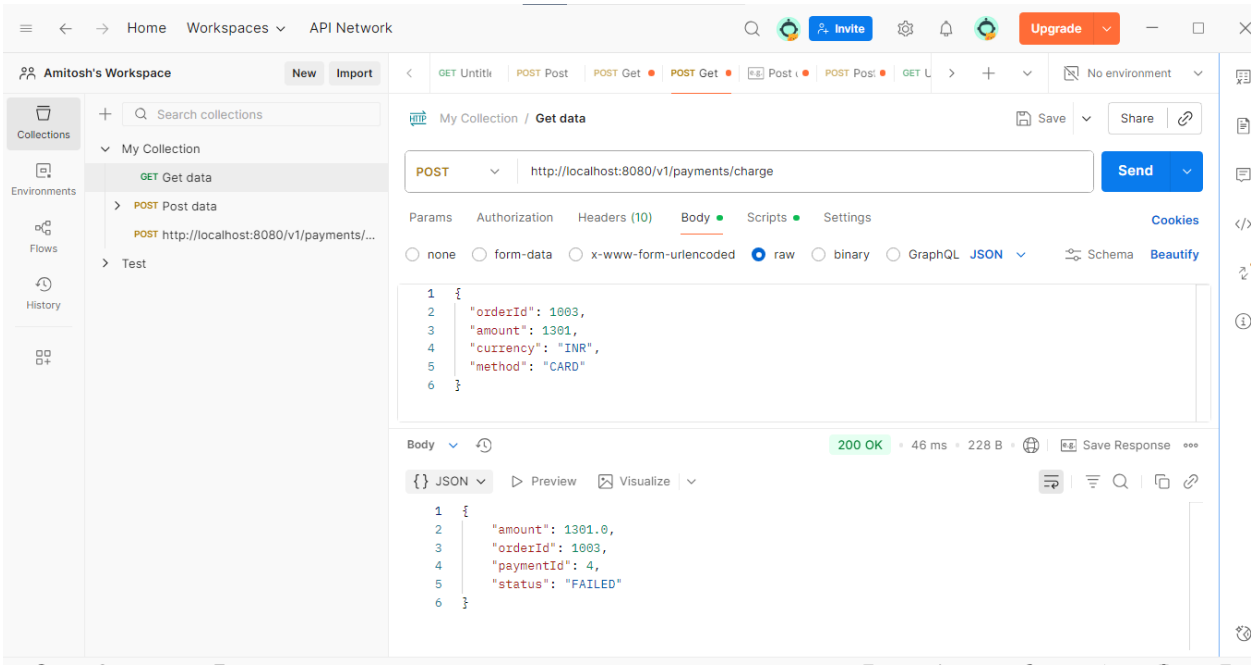


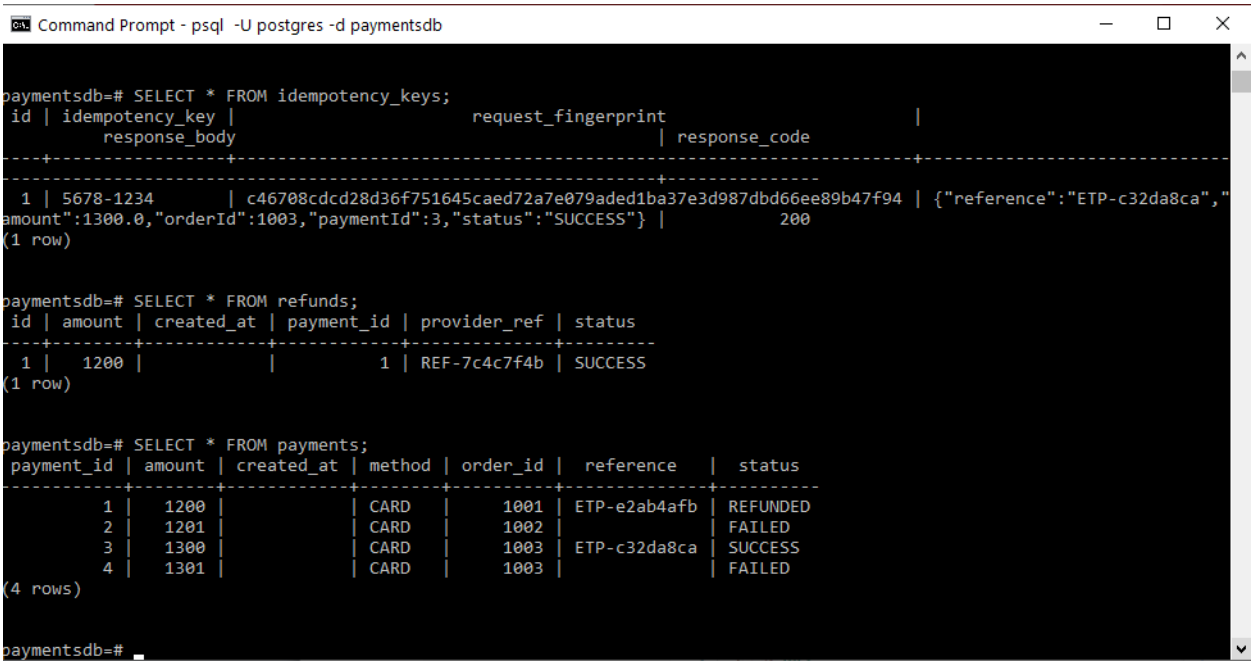


Retry and same result –

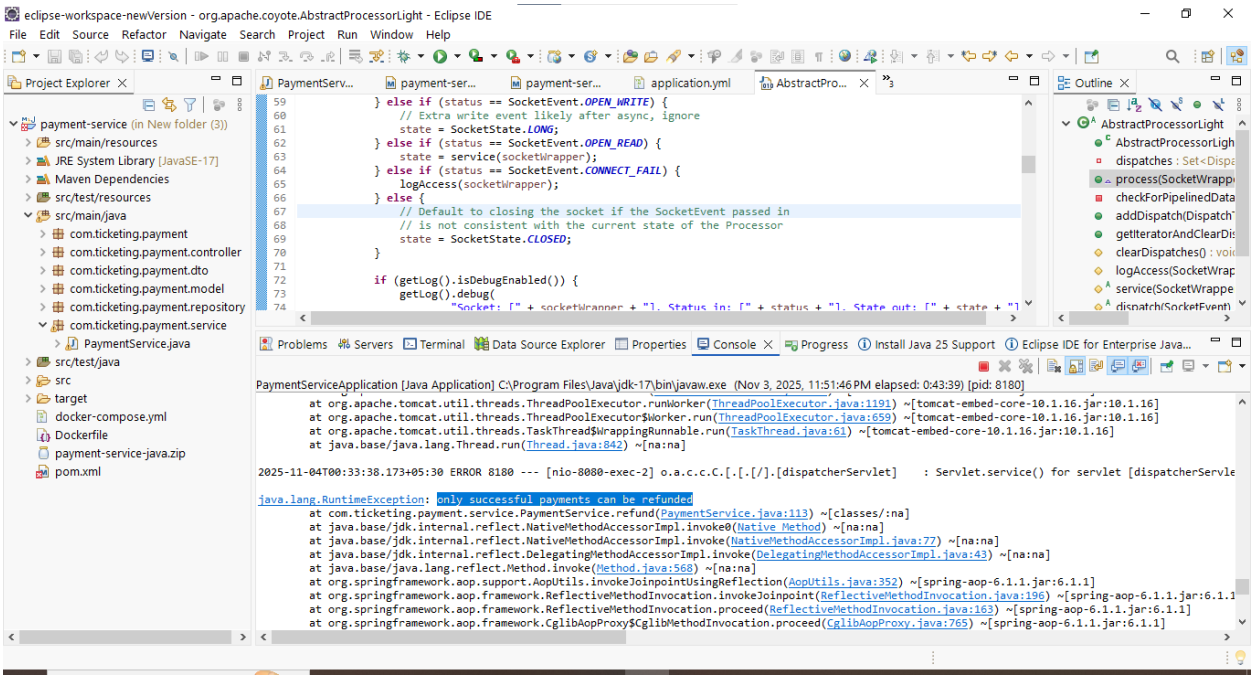


Failed scenario when amount odd –

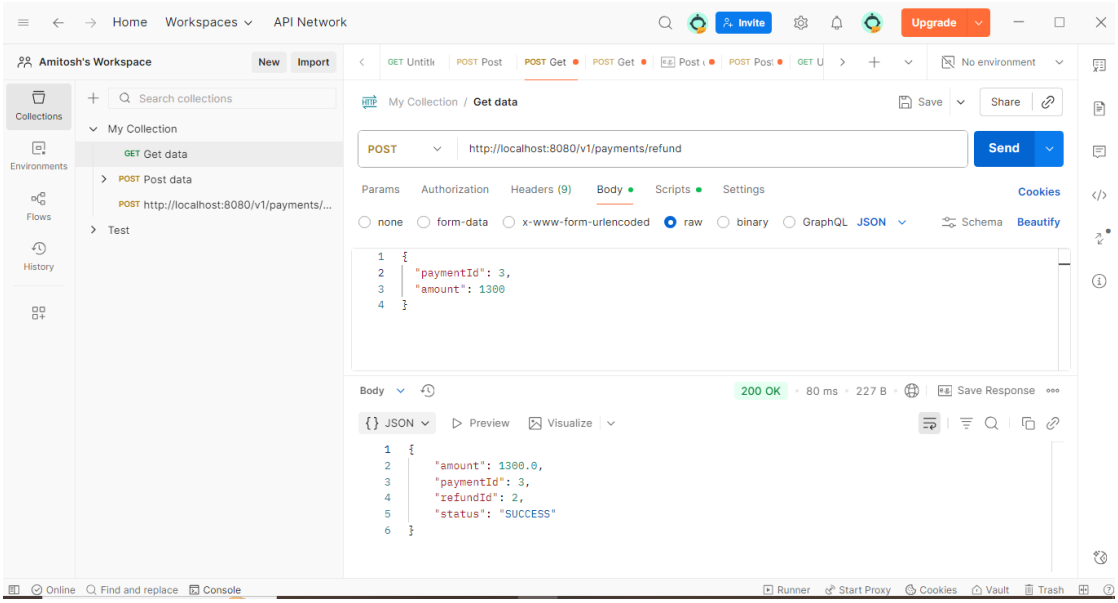


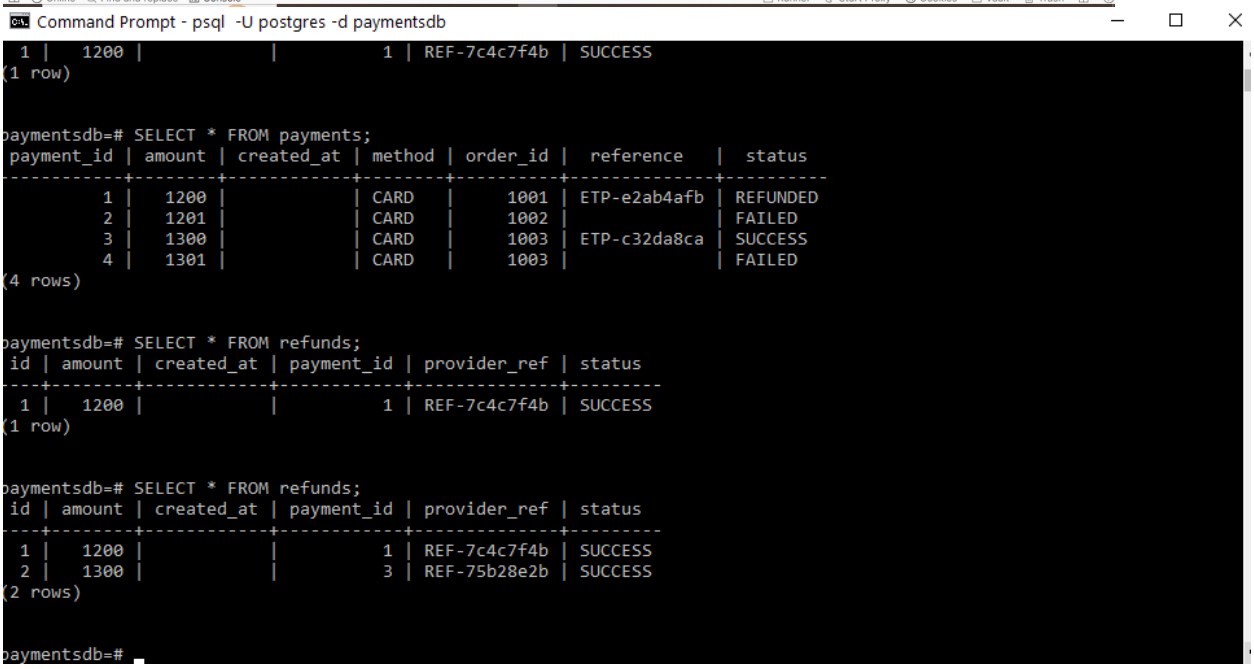


Failed status should not refund –

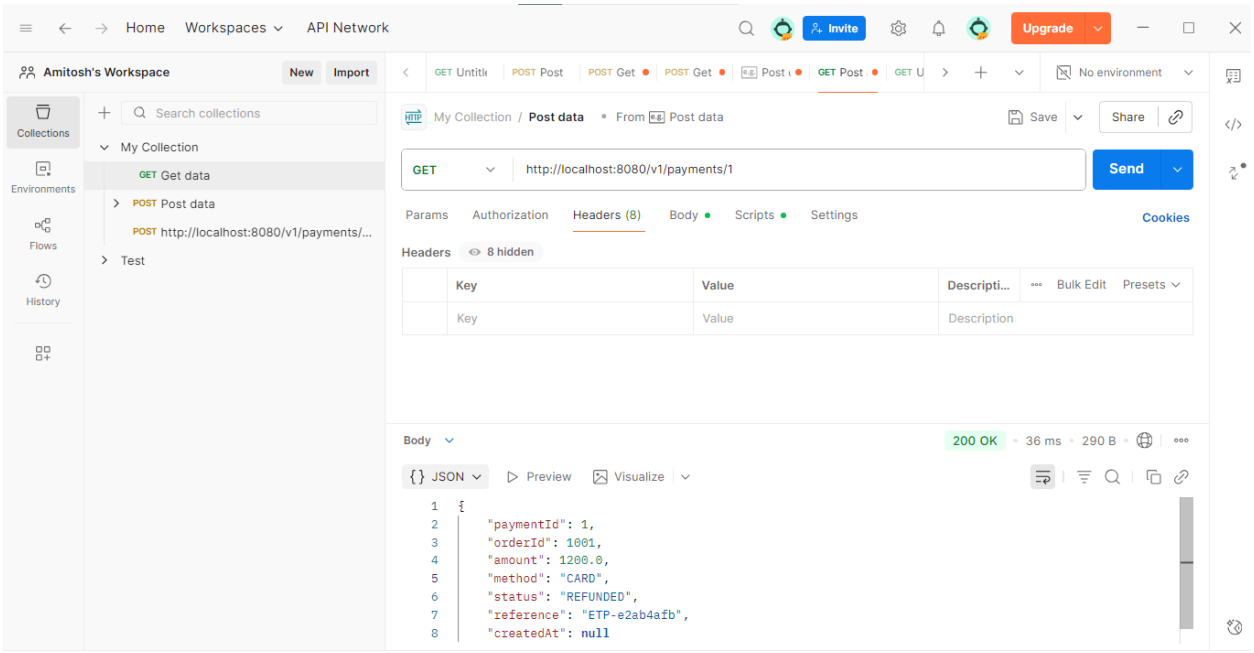


Refund - http://localhost:8080/v1/payments/refund -





Payement ID – 1 ---



Testing and Validation -

Testing was performed using Postman and Swagger UI.
Verified endpoints:

- Charge request with and without Idempotency-Key.
- Refund of successful transactions.
- Retrieval of payment details.
- Health and Prometheus monitoring endpoints.

Confirmed:

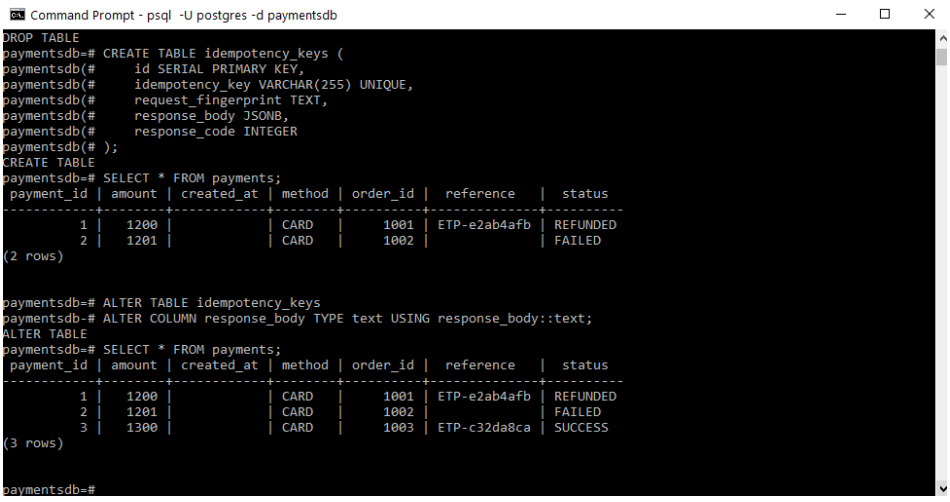
- Database persistence in PostgreSQL.
- Accurate status transitions (PENDING → SUCCESS/FAILED → REFUNDED).
- Consistent JSON responses.
- Duplicate prevention via Idempotency-Key logic.

Database – PostgreSQL -

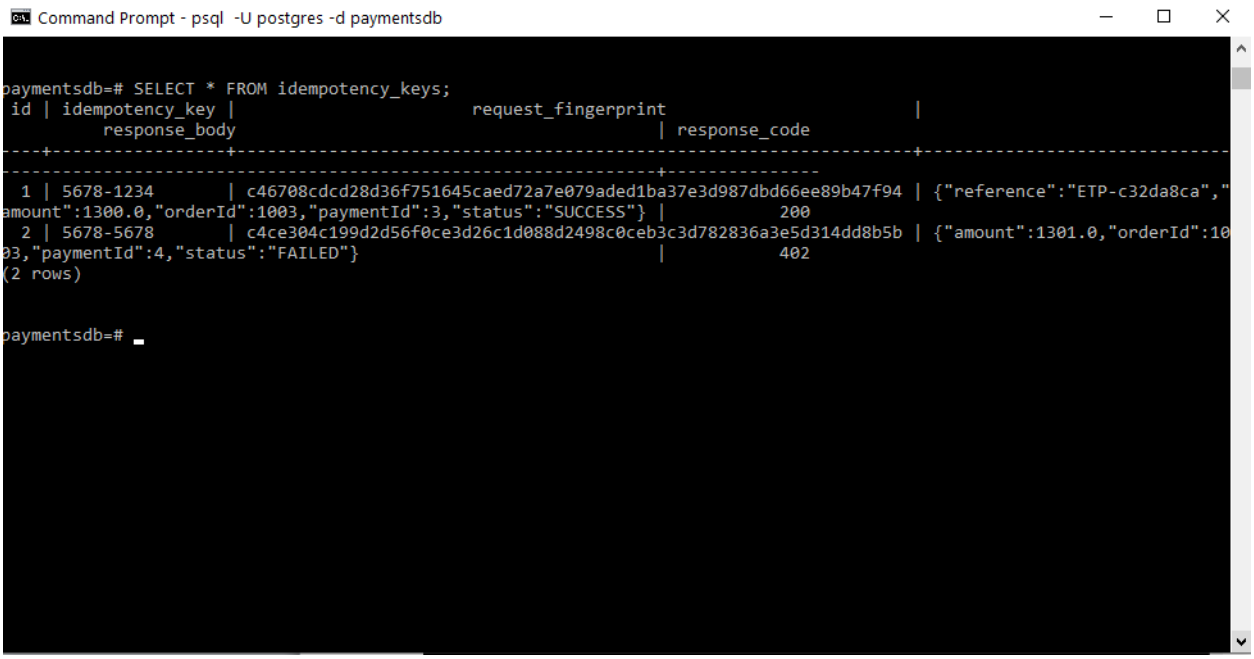
Tables

- ***payments***: Stores charge details and transaction statuses.
- ***refunds***: Tracks refund operations.
- ***idempotency_keys***: Manages request fingerprints and cached responses.

SELECT * FROM payments;



SELECT * FROM idempotency_keys;



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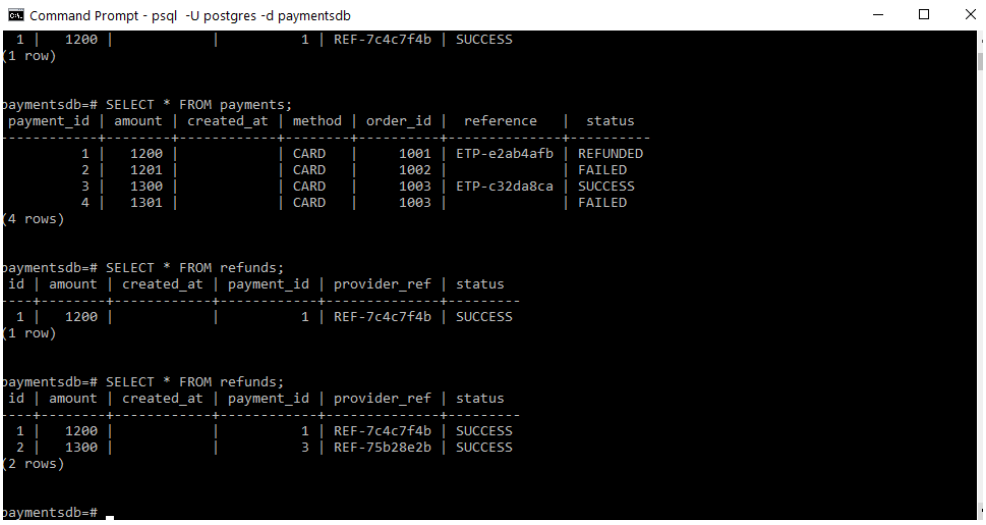
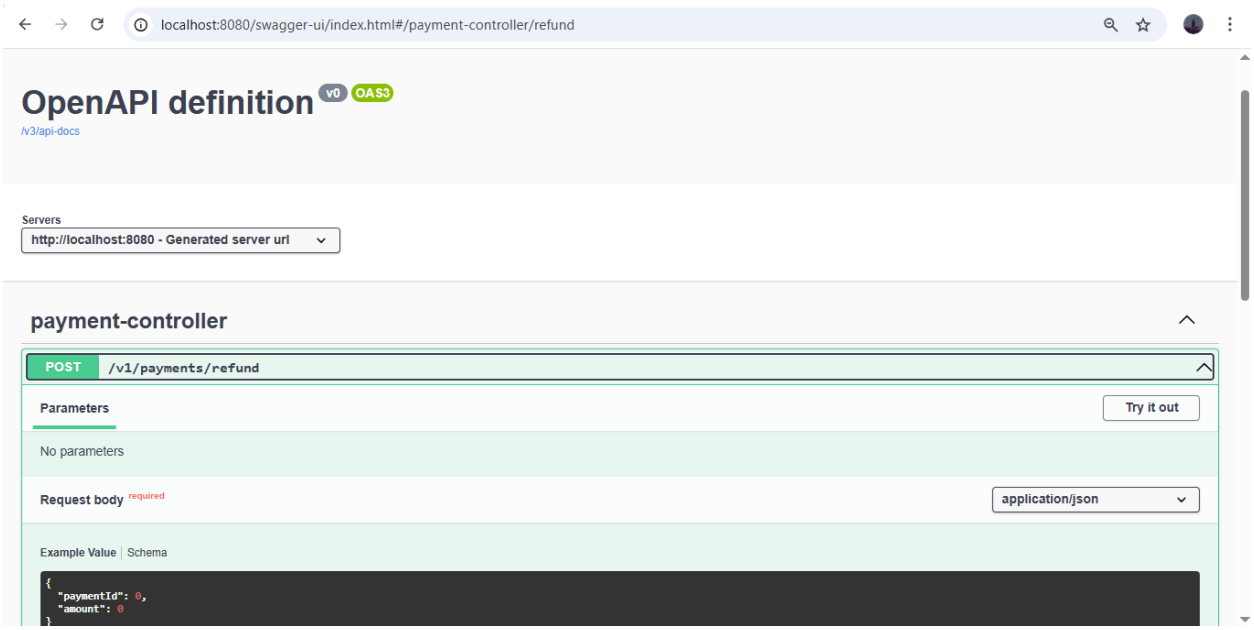
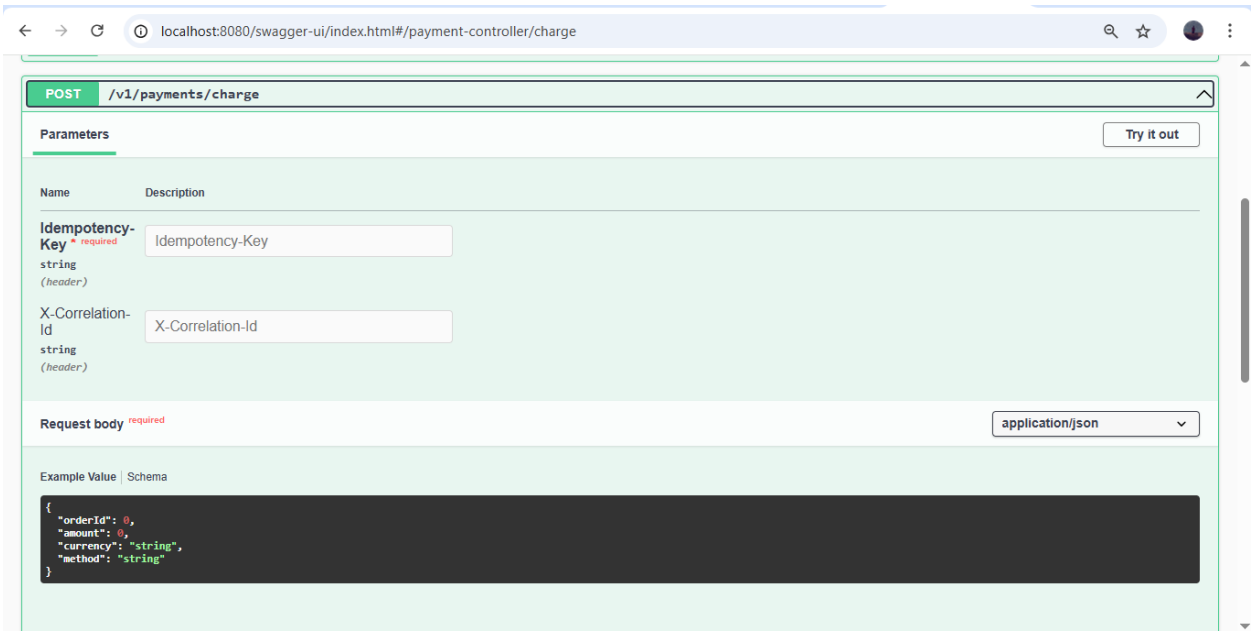
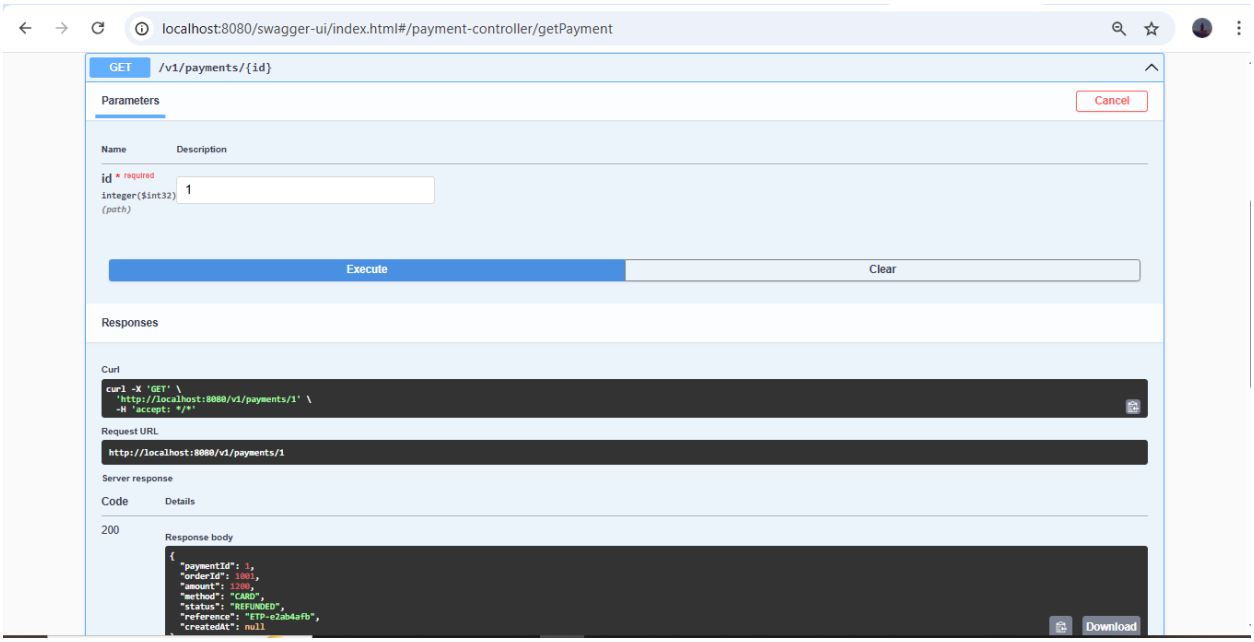

Command Prompt - psql -U postgres -d paymentsdb
1 | 1200 | | 1 | REF-7c4c7f4b | SUCCESS
(1 row)
paymentsdb=# SELECT * FROM payments;
payment_id | amount | created_at | method | order_id | reference | status
1 | 1200 | | CARD | 1001 | ETP-e2ab4afb | REFUNDED
2 | 1201 | | CARD | 1002 | | FAILED
3 | 1300 | | CARD | 1003 | ETP-c32da8ca | SUCCESS
4 | 1301 | | CARD | 1003 | | FAILED
(4 rows)
paymentsdb=# SELECT * FROM refunds;
id | amount | created_at | payment_id | provider_ref | status
1 | 1200 | | 1 | REF-7c4c7f4b | SUCCESS
(1 row)
paymentsdb=# SELECT * FROM refunds;
id | amount | created_at | payment_id | provider_ref | status
1 | 1200 | | 1 | REF-7c4c7f4b | SUCCESS
2 | 1300 | | 3 | REF-75b28e2b | SUCCESS
(2 rows)
paymentsdb=#

Swagger UI –


localhost:8080/swagger-ui/index.html#/payment-controller/refund
OpenAPI definition
v0
OAS3
/v3/api-docs
Servers
http://localhost:8080 - Generated server url
payment-controller
POST
/v1/payments/refund
Parameters
Try it out
No parameters
Request body
required
application/json
Example Value
Schema
{
"paymentId": 0,
"amount": 0
}


localhost:8080/swagger-ui/index.html#/payment-controller/charge
POST
/v1/payments/charge
Parameters
Try it out
Name
Description
Idempotency-Key * required
string
(header)
Idempotency-Key
X-Correlation-Id
string
(header)
X-Correlation-Id
Request body required
application/json
Example Value | Schema
{
"orderId": 0,
"amount": 0,
"currency": "string",
"method": "string"
}


localhost:8080/swagger-ui/index.html#/payment-controller/getPayment
GET
/v1/payments/{id}
Parameters
Cancel
Name
Description
id * required
integer($int32)
(path)
1
Execute
Clear
Responses
Curl
curl -X 'GET' \
'http://localhost:8080/v1/payments/1' \
-H 'accept: */*'
Request URL
http://localhost:8080/v1/payments/1
Server response
Code
Details
200
Response body
{
"paymentId": 1,
"orderId": 1001,
"amount": 1200,
"method": "CARD",
"status": "REFUNDED",
"reference": "ETP-e2ab4afb",
"createdAt": null
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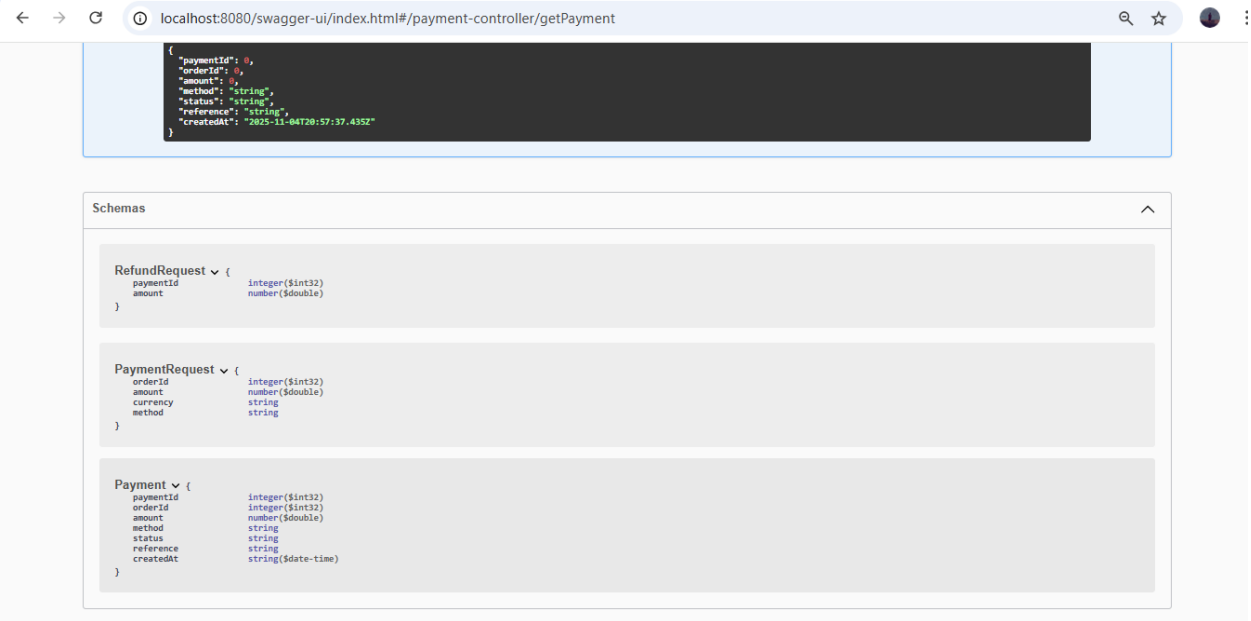

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Key Learnings –

- Gained hands-on experience with Spring Boot 3, PostgreSQL, and Docker.
- Implemented idempotency for safe and reliable payment operations.
- Understood microservice design with clear service boundaries.
- Achieved successful deployment on Docker and Kubernetes.
- Strengthened understanding of RESTful APIs, error handling, and monitoring.

Conclusion –

The Payment Service successfully fulfills its role in the Event Ticketing System by ensuring secure, consistent, and idempotent transaction management.
Its modular design, containerized deployment, and clear API structure make it a reliable and scalable component in the distributed architecture.