Salesforce Project Phase 8

Smart Education & E-Learning Management System

Phase 8: Data Management & Deployment

1. Data Import Wizard

Purpose: Import new records into Salesforce using the UI-based wizard.

Steps:

- 1. Setup \rightarrow Data Import Wizard \rightarrow Launch Wizard.
- 2. Selected objects: Students, Courses, Assignments.
- 3. Chose operation: Add New Records or Update.
- 4. Prepared CSV files (with headers = Salesforce API field names).
- 5. Mapped fields manually (e.g., Student External ID, Course Lookup).
- 6. Started import → Monitored progress → Checked success/error report.

Tips:

- Used External ID (External ID c) on Student for safe upserts.
- Ensured required fields like Name, Email, and Course Lookup were filled.
- Verified lookups (Course c, Student c) matched existing records.

2. Data Loader

Purpose: Bulk import/update/export records.

Status: Skipped in Developer Edition (since Data Loader not available).

Instead used Data Import Wizard for all inserts and updates.

3. Duplicate Rules

Purpose: Maintain data quality by preventing duplicate Students or Courses.

Steps:

- Created Matching Rule on Student → matched by Email / External ID.
- Created Duplicate Rule on Student → blocked duplicate records during import.
- Activated rule and tested by attempting to insert a duplicate Student.

4. Data Export & Backup

Purpose: Backup Salesforce data before making changes.

Steps:

- 1. Setup \rightarrow Data Export \rightarrow Export Now.
- 2. Selected objects: Students, Courses, Assignments.
- 3. Included attachments/files.
- 4. Downloaded .zip backup folder (e.g., backup DE 2025-09-27).

Tips:

- Maintained backups in versioned folders.
- Stored safely for recovery if import failed.

5. Change Sets

Purpose: Deploy metadata from Sandbox → Production.

Status: Skipped. Developer Edition has no Sandbox/Prod separation.

All metadata managed directly in DE org.

6. Unmanaged vs Managed Packages

Learning Point:

- Unmanaged Packages \rightarrow editable in target org, used for sharing project code.
- Managed Packages → upgradeable, AppExchange distribution.
- For this project, unmanaged approach is more suitable (for learning & portability).

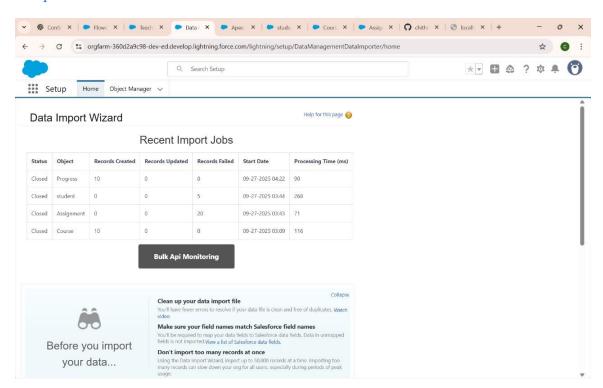
7. VS Code & SFDX

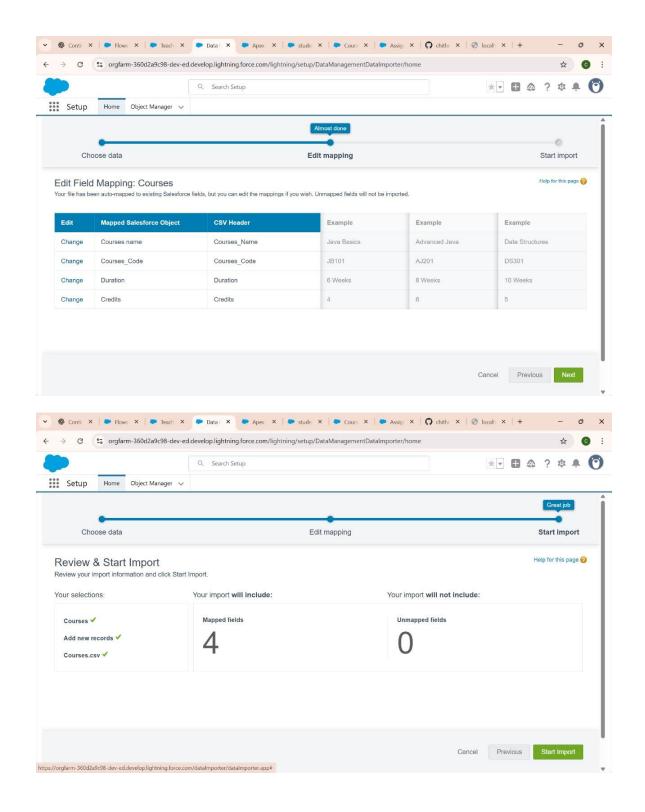
Purpose: Source-driven development & version control.

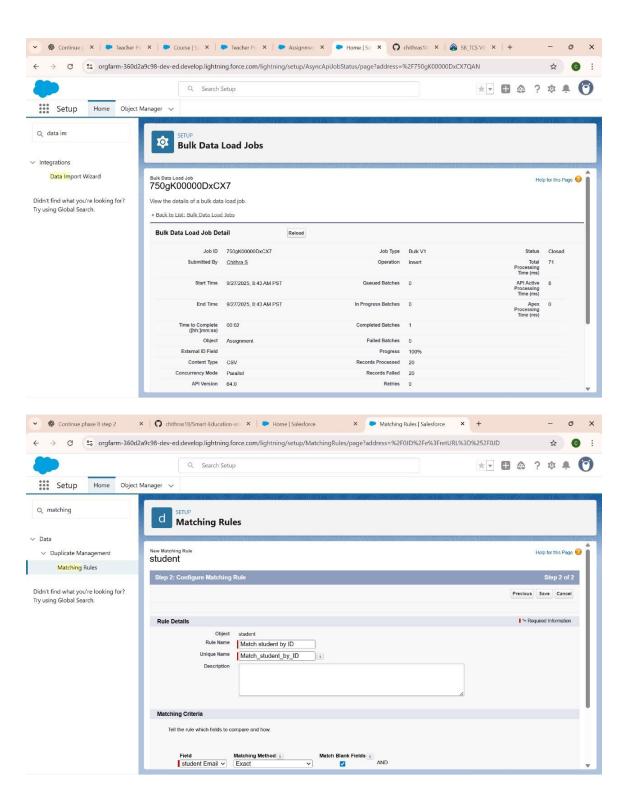
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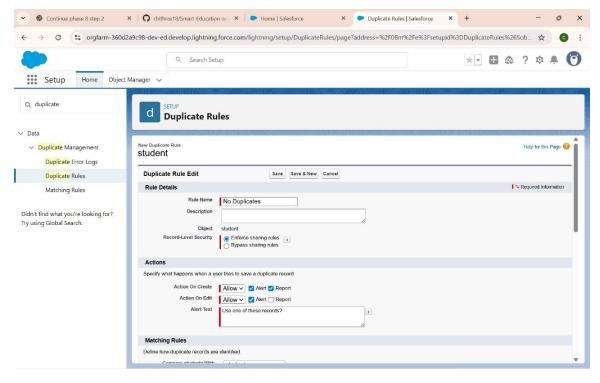
- 1. Installed VS Code + Salesforce Extension Pack.
- 2. Installed Salesforce CLI (SFDX).
- 3. Opened Command Palette → SFDX: Create Project (Manifest project optional).
- 4. Authorized org \rightarrow sfdx force:auth:web:login -a MyDE.
- 5. Retrieved metadata (Objects, Apex, Flows) → sfdx force:source:pull -u MyDE.
- 6. Made local changes and pushed back \rightarrow sfdx force:source:push -u MyDE.
- 7. Ran Apex Tests via Test Explorer in VS Code.
- 8. Maintained local backup of metadata for safe future edits.

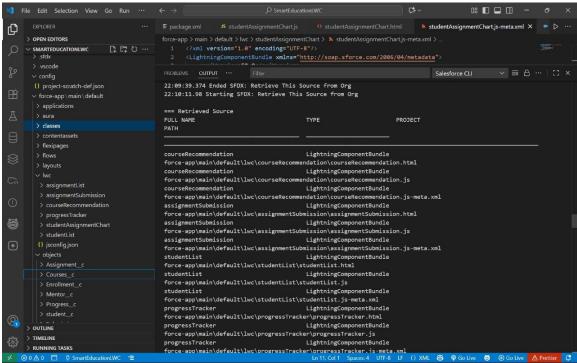
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