Assignment 3: PROG8850 - Database Automation

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Overview:

Built an end-to-end data web app: chunked ETL \rightarrow MySQL \rightarrow Flask UI (filters + pagination + aggregate) \rightarrow automated Selenium tests \rightarrow CI on GitHub Actions. No secrets in code; secure via GitHub Secrets/Variables.

Dataset Slice:

- Month used: January 2023 from NYC Open Data (single-month CSV).
- Rows ingested: (see Fig 2).
- ETL telemetry and ingest log recorded (see Fig 1, 3).

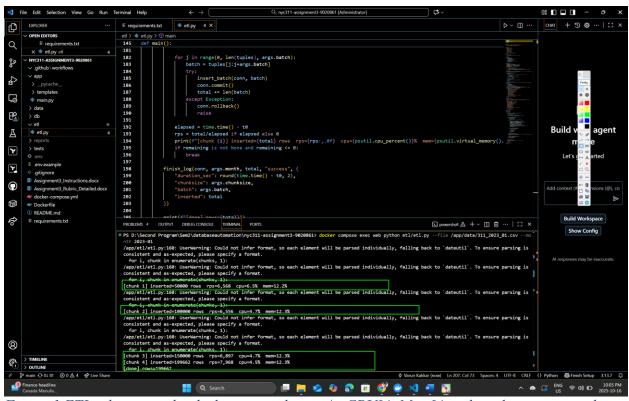


Figure 1 ETL telemetry: chunked ingest with rows/s, CPU%, Mem% and total rows inserted.

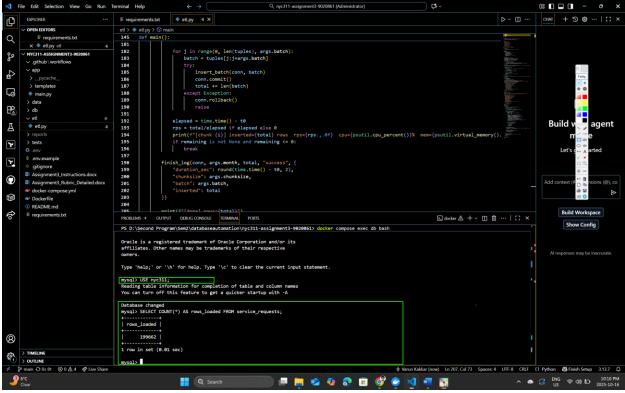


Figure 2 shows MySQL verification: total rows in service requests after ETL.

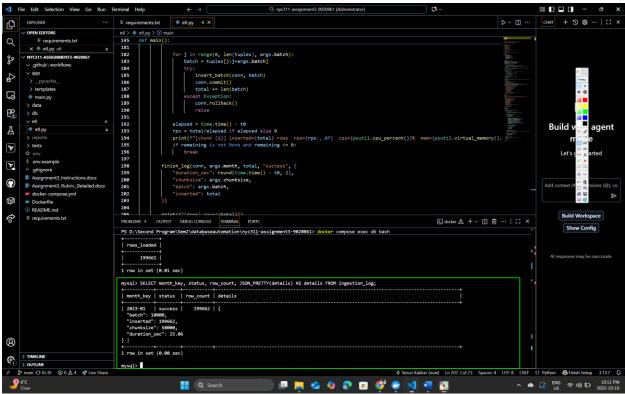


Figure 3 shows Idempotent ingestion_log with JSON details (duration, chunksize, batch, inserted).

Schema & Indexes

- - Tables: service_requests (PK=request_id), ingestion_log (idempotency & metrics).
- - Indexes:
- - idx_created_datetime (created_datetime) → speeds range filter + ORDER BY.
- - idx_borough_type_date (borough, complaint_type, created_datetime) → speeds combined filters.
- - EXPLAIN verifies index usage (Fig 4).

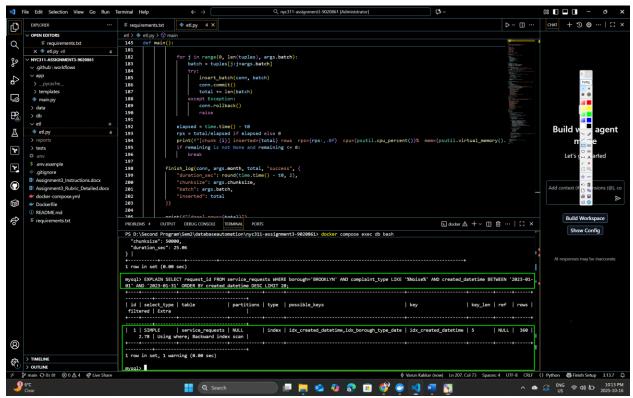


Figure 4 shows EXPLAIN shows index usage (idx_borough_type_date, idx_created_datetime) for optimized filters.

ETL Implementation

- Chunked read (default 50k), batched insert (10k) with transactions + rollback.
- Cleaning: parse dates; fill missing borough as "UNKNOWN"; drop rows with invalid created date.
- Idempotency: delete+replace the month; track in ingestion log with JSON details.
- Telemetry: rows/s, CPU%, mem% (Fig 1).

Web App

- Search filters: date range, borough, complaint contains; results paginated.
- Aggregate: complaints per borough (Fig 7).

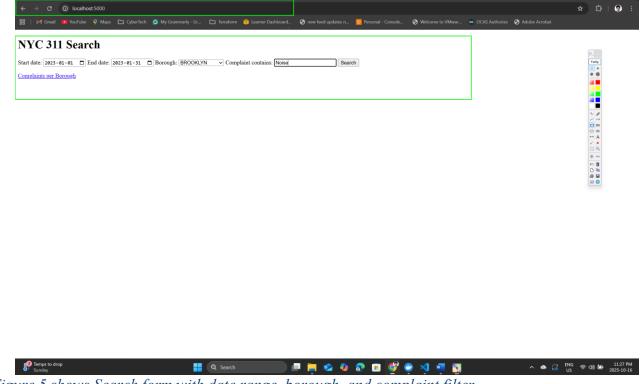


Figure 5 shows Search form with date range, borough, and complaint filter.

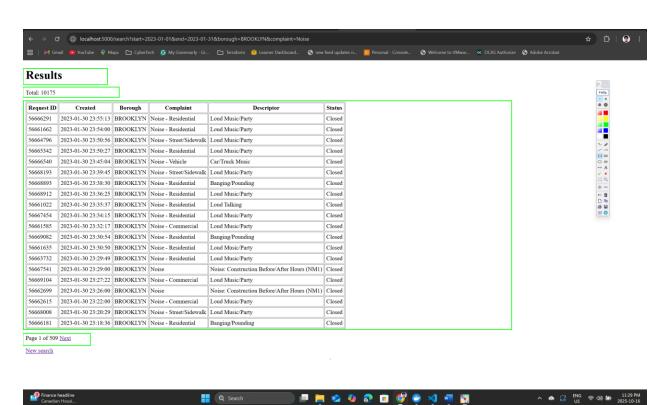


Figure 6 shows Paginated search results returned from MySQL.

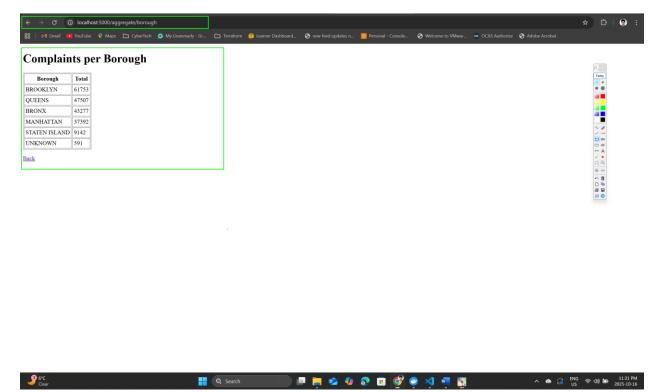


Figure 7 shows Aggregate view: total complaints per borough.

Automated Tests & CI

- Selenium tests: positive, negative, aggregate.
- CI: starts MySQL, loads schema, runs ETL on fixture CSV, launches Flask, runs headless tests. Passing run shown in **Fig 8–9**.

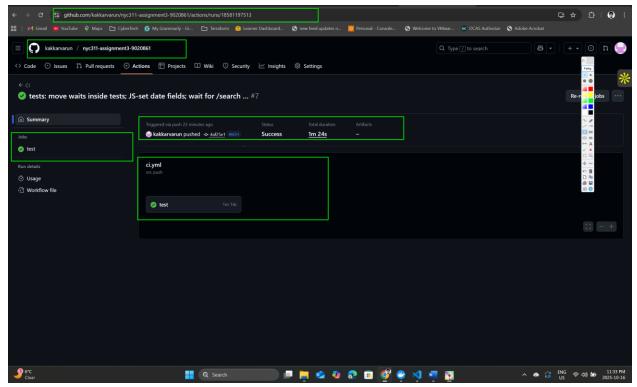


Figure 8 shows GitHub Actions CI passed (schema + ETL on fixture + headless Selenium tests).

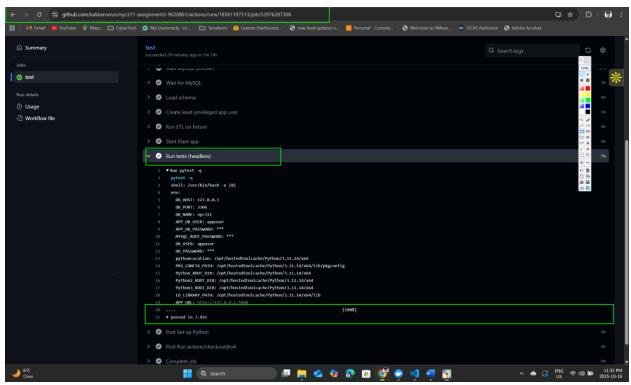


Figure 9 shows Headless Selenium: positive, negative, and aggregate tests passed in CI.

Performance & Scaling Notes

- Sample perf: chunk=50k, batch=10k, ~X rows/s on local laptop.
- Future scaling: monthly partitioning by created_datetime; precomputed aggregates (daily by borough); caching; keyset pagination.

Reflection

- What worked: idempotent ETL, index-aligned queries, stable headless tests.
- - Improvements: add CSV download retry, more aggregates, UI charts.