

# CatDB

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## Introduction

CatDB is a database management system fully implemented in Python and with all the necessary functions such as CRUD operations and query operations such as Selection, Projection, Filtering, Grouping, Aggregation, and Sorting.

Each operations do not load the data entirely into memory but loaded via chunks, and performed mapReduce concepts in processing the data. In fact, most of the operations loads in the data like a data stream through use of Python generators. Every iteration of the generator reads the next X amount of bytes of the file, and sends it into the query processing or CRUD operations. By doing this, we would not have to store the chunks physically on disk, which helps avoid writing an entirely duplicate copy of the data. This significantly reduces I/O cost. Furthermore, every time a file is read, a chunk dictionary, which contains the start and end byte of each chunk, is written. The DBMS will read this to create chunks. This has the benefit of having each chunk as close to the required chunk size. This is demonstrated when I load a small file into the system and it splits it into chunks.

The database management system is called CatDB because the query language for the DBMS is written in the perspective of a cat demanding the database system things. An example of a query with projection, selection, and grouping is: **"My cat demands [all] in paw-session of [iris] with ones that [petalLength is bigger than 1.4] to be glued together by [species]"**

As shown, attributes to be used in each query operation is highlighted with brackets for clear syntax. This query language is accessed and used to interact with the database management system via a simple command line interface built using Python's in-built functions.

## Planned Implementation

(FROM PROJECT PROPOSAL, MODIFIED TO MATCH CURRENT IMPLEMENTATION)

Data Model:

- NDJSON, every line is a valid JSON object

Actual contents of data:

- The actual contents will be stored in a JSON format
- When files are larger than memory, data will be loaded into chunks by reading every "chunksize" bytes per iteration, and stored each in NDJSON format

Query Language:

<Detailed manual is listed far below>

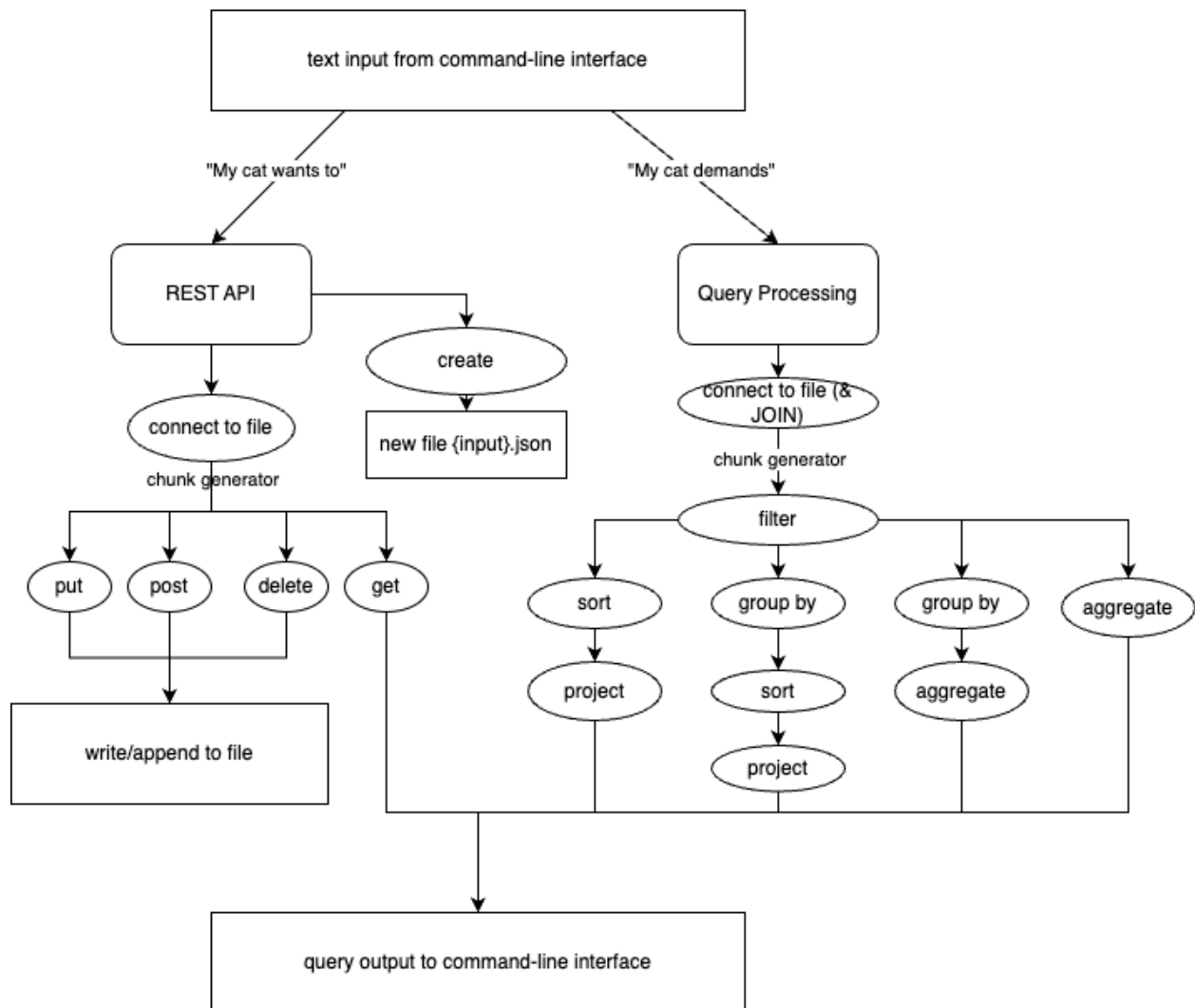
- The query language is to be written in the perspective of a cat wanting something from its owner
- So, sorting: arrange by, join: to be glued together by, etc.

CRUD:

- Implemented using REST API functions

## Architecture Design

### Flow Chart



### Description:

The architecture of my database system starts with checking which header is in the text inputted in the command-line interface or CLI for short: "My cat wants to" or "My cat demands".

If the former is in the text input, the CRUD operations part of the query processing engine activates. If the create keyword is in text input, it outputs a new json file. Else, it starts a data stream by creating a generator that reads every "X" amount of bytes and write/append to a new file. The output of the GET function goes to the CLI.

On the other hand, if the latter is in the text input, the query processing side starts and it opens a data stream of the file and joins the two files if specified. It then sends this generator to the filter function. Then, it can go to one these 4 paths: "SP/GSP/GA/A". Whatever the output is, it outputs it to the CLI.

Every time the "connect to file" function is called, it first checks if a chunk dictionary is created or not, and creates one accordingly. Then it reads the chunk dictionary to find out the first chunk's start and end byte. Then it reads that specific start and end byte and outputs that section to the next operation. At

the next iteration, it reads the chunk dictionary for the next chunk's start and end byte and return that section. This repeats until there are no more chunks in the file. This whole process is the "chunk generator" object that is returned every time a "connect to file" function is called. By doing it this way, we avoid loading everything into memory, but only loading section after section.

# Implementation

## Functionalities

### Explanation:

Every time a text is inputted into the CLI, an instance of the class "query\_pipeline" object is initialized. The query\_pipeline class contains attributes such as a string query, as well as binary flags for each operation that is set to true when its respective key words is in the text input. This is to control the flow of the query execution. The query\_pipeline instance then calls a function called "getFlags", which turns on the respective binary flags for each operation based on the text inputted. After the flags are on, query\_pipeline instance then starts the query/CRUD operations.

### Files directory:

#### **data (folder)**

- cdict (folder): contains chunk dictionary to each json file
- iris.json
- yelp\_checkin.json
- yelp\_tip.json

#### **scripts (folder)**

- crud\_functions.py: implementations for crud
- crud\_helper.py: helper functions for crud
- query\_functions.py: implementations of query\_pipeline class & query operations
- launch.py: to launch CLI

### Implementation of query execution engine:

#### **CLASS query\_pipeline()**

##### Attributes:

1. String **query**: text input from CLI
2. String **folder\_path**: path of data folder relative to the scripts
3. String **tmp\_path**: path of temporary folders for temporary storage of chunks or data relative to the scripts
4. Int **chunksize**: chunksize to be used in splitting the function
5. Boolean **{set of binary flags for operations indicating if respective keywords is in text input or not}**: binary flags to be passed to respective functions to control the flow of the query
6. Various data types **parameters of each operation**: the parameters of each function

##### Functions:

1. set\_chunksize(self, chunksize): set the attribute chunksize to the input chunksize
2. getFlags(self): bunch of if statements like:
  - a. if 'in-pawsession of' in self.query: self.s\_on = True
  - b. code to retrieve everything in the square brackets as parameters for the operation
3. evaluateQuery(self): through the binary flags
4. query operations:
  - a. selection
  - b. filter
  - c. sort
  - d. grouping

#### e. aggregation

##### Details on Memory Management implementation:

When connecting to a file, a chunk dictionary JSON file is written to a disk in the "cdict" folder in the same folder the data is located in with name: "{file connected}.json\_{chunksize}.json". An example name would be: "iris.json\_1000.json" with iris.json the file name and 1000 the chunksize.

The chunk dictionary looks like this:

```
{"0": [0, 998], "1": [1000, 2000], "2": [2000, 3000], "3": [3000, 4000], "4": [4000, 5000], "5": [5000, 5936], "6": [5936, 6976], "7": [6976, 7912], "8": [7912, 8952]}
```

To create this chunk dictionary, the function "get\_chunk\_d" is called, located in crud\_helper.py. Below are details of this function:

##### **CREATE CHUNK DICTIONARY**

Function: get\_chunk\_d

Located in: crud\_helper.py(get\_chunk\_d)

Input:

1. fd: opened file handle/descriptor
2. fname: file name
3. save\_folder\_path:
4. chunksize: chunksize to read the file with

Output: write to disk a chunk dictionary

PSEUDOCODE:

1. Lazily read each **chunksize** amount of bytes of the file and keep track of every '\n' character in the file and put into a list called NL\_list (newline list)
2. Integer divide each byte in NL\_list by chunksize to assign each byte to a unique chunk ID and save it to i\_list
3. Since the i\_list is in the same order as NL\_list, assign each NL\_list value to its respective ID in i\_list and save it in a dictionary with the ID as key and bytes as value. Keep it as a dictionary cont\_d.
4. Keep only the largest and smallest byte of every ID
5. Create a "cdict" folder under the same folder that the file is stored in
6. Write this dictionary into a "cdict" as a JSON file

Then after, we want to read the file based on the chunk dictionary:

##### **READ FILE BASED ON CHUNK DICTIONARY**

Function: chunk\_json

Located in: crud\_functions.py(chunk\_json)

Input:

1. fd: opened file descriptor/handle
2. chunk\_d: chunk dictionary in Python dictionary form

Output: a generator for each chunk from the file

PSEUDOCODE:

1. Create i\_chunk to keep track of number of current chunk
2. Create a while True loop:
  - a. If i\_chunk is not in the chunk dictionary keys --> break the loop

- b. Save the current start and end byte of current chunk as b\_list
- c. If current chunk is first chunk --> seek the file descriptor cursor to 0
  - i. Else --> seek the file descriptor cursor to start byte in b\_list
- d. From the current cursor's position, read the next (difference between start and end byte) bytes
- e. Split the read chunk string with `}\n` and store as f\_list
- f. Every splitted string is a valid JSON object, so for every item in f\_list, JSON load and append it all into a list called json\_list
- g. yield the json\_list
  - i. Yielding stops the function temporarily and outputs the current json\_list and cause the function to be an iterable object
  - ii. When we call the next iteration of this function, we will read the next chunk of the file and repeat until the chunk is finished
  - iii. THIS CREATES THE GENERATOR ASPECT
- h. increases the i\_chunk by 1 to repeat with next chunk

### Details of CRUD implementations:

My CRUD operations are implemented using REST API as it is a good way of manipulating JSON files.

#### **CONNECT/FROM**

Located in: crud\_functions.py(connect\_DB)

Keyword: "in-pawsession of"

Input: f\_path: file path

Output: chunk\_gen: chunk generator of file in file\_path

Helper functions:

1. chunk\_json: read the file based on its chunk dictionary
2. get\_chunk\_d: write to cdict folder a chunk dictionary of the file with chunksize

#### **PSEUDOCODE:**

1. Open the file in read binary mode
2. Check if cdict JSON file exists
  - a. If not, create the chunk dictionary file by calling get\_chunk\_d function
3. Read the chunk dictionary
4. Call chunk\_json function to get a generator based on the chunk dictionary
5. Return the chunk generator from chunk\_json

#### **PUT**

Located in: crud\_functions.py(put)

Keyword: "add/change this thing"

Input:

1. data: data to be added (data in the form of key:val)
2. url: url is location in file (url in form of: "key:val/key:val/...")
3. chunk\_gen: chunk\_generator from connect\_db function

#### **PSEUDOCODE:**

1. Get key-value pairs from the url and JSON load data into a dictionary
2. For every chunk, check if the url (location where the data is being put in) exists or not
  - a. If exists, replace everything under url as data
  - b. If not exist, append the data to the end of the JSON file
  - c. Append the (both updated or not) chunk to a temporary JSON file
3. Remove the original JSON file, and its chunk dictionary
4. Rename the temporary JSON file to the original JSON file's name
5. Recreate the chunk dictionary

#### **POST**

Located in: crud\_functions.py(post)

Keyword: "slip in this thing"

Input:

1. data: data to be added (data in the form of key:val)
2. url: url is location in file (url in form of: "key:val/key:val/...")
3. chunk\_gen: chunk\_generator from connect\_db function

#### **PSEUDOCODE:**



1. Get key-value pairs from the url and JSON load data into a dictionary
2. For every chunk, check if the url (location where the data is being put in) exists or not
  - a. If exists, insert data under the url with random key
  - b. If not exist, append the data to the end of the JSON file with random key
  - c. Append the (both updated or not) chunk to a temporary JSON file
3. Remove the original JSON file, and its chunk dictionary
4. Rename the temporary JSON file to the original JSON file's name
5. Recreate the chunk dictionary

## GET

Located in: crud\_functions.py(get)

Keyword: "steal this thing"

Input:

1. chunk\_gen: chunk generator from connect\_db function
2. url: url is location in file (url in form of: "key:val/key:val/...")

Output: List of content that matches URL

## PSEUDOCODE:

1. Get key-value pairs from the url and JSON load data into dictionary
2. For every chunk, check if there is parent directory is matching the url
  - a. If yes, return content
  - b. If no, return empty list

## DELETE

Located in: crud\_functions.py(delete)

Keyword: "destroy this thing"

Input:

1. chunk\_gen: chunk generator from connect\_db function
2. url: url is location in file (url in form of: "key:val/key:val/...")
3. f\_path: path of the file
4. chunksize: chunksize to be used

## PSEUDOCODE:

1. Get key-value pairs from the url and JSON load data into dictionary
2. For every chunk, check if there is parent directory is matching the url
  - a. If yes, remove entry from the chunk
  - b. Append to temporary file
3. Remove chunk dictionary and original file
4. Rename the temporary file as original file
5. Recreate chunk dictionary

## CREATE

Located in crud\_functions.py(create)

Keyword: "make this thing"

Input:

1. f\_name: file name of one to be created

PSEUDOCODE:

1. JSON dump empty dict {} into a JSON file

Details of Query implementation:

**JOIN (HELPER FUNCTION) <INNER JOIN ONLY>**

**CONCEPT: CHUNK-BASED NESTED LOOP JOIN**

Located in: nested\_loop\_join(query\_functions)

Keyword: "to get along with"

Input:

1. out\_path: the path to write the joined chunks onto
2. c\_gen1: the first file's chunk generator
3. c\_gen2: the second file's chunk generator
4. join\_var\_list: the list of variables to be joined (first entry is left var, second entry is right var)

PSEUDOCODE:

1. For every chunk in 1st c\_gen
  - a. For every chunk in 2nd c\_gen
    - i. For every dictionary in chunk1
      1. For every dictionary in chunk2
        - a. If the value of d1 and d2 is equal, add both dicts together
          - i. rename the left dict's join\_var as left.join\_var, and same for right
          - ii. write to the out\_path
        - b. If we get a KeyError (means that the join variable doesn't exist on both dict), we pass

**SCAN\_JOIN (Both FROM/SCAN and JOIN)**

Located in query\_functions.py(SCAN\_JOIN)

Keyword: "in paw-session of"

Input:

1. fname\_list: list of file names to be scanned/joined
2. is\_join: indicator whether to join or not
3. join\_var: list of join\_vars

Helper Function:

1. connect\_db: to connect to the file and get chunk generator
2. nested\_loop\_join: nested loop join the two chunk generators

PSEUDOCODE:

1. If is\_join flag is off, connect to the first entry of fname\_list and return the chunk gen
2. if is\_join flag is on, connect to both files and plug it to the nested\_loop\_join function
  - a. then connect to the new temporary/joined file and return chunk generator for it

**FILTER**

Located in: query\_functions.py(FILTER)

Keyword: "with ones that"

Input:

1. f\_on: filter flag
2. c\_gen: chunk generator
3. var\_dict: dict of variables to be filtered and its values (ex: sepallength: 15)
4. comp\_dict: dict of variables and its compare operator (ex: 'sepallength': '>')

#### PSEUDOCODE:

1. If f\_on flag is off, for every chunk in c\_gen, yield chunk
2. If f\_on flag is on, for every chunk in c\_gen,
  - a. Create a container list res\_chunk (result chunk)
  - b. For every dict in chunk:
    - i. If the dict passes ALL the var\_dict and comp\_dict filter requirements, append dict to res\_chunk
  - c. If the res\_chunk is not empty, yield res\_chunk
    - i. On the iteration, the filter operation will repeat for the next chunk

#### **SORT**

##### **CONCEPT: K-WAY External Sort (where K is number of chunks)**

Located in: query\_functions.py(SORT)

Keyword: "arrange by"

Input:

1. sort\_on: sorting flag
2. c\_gen: chunk\_generator
3. sort\_key: key to be sorted by
4. ascending: 'A' for ascending and 'D' for descending

#### PSEUDOCODE:

1. If sort\_on is off, for every chunk in c\_gen, yield chunk
2. If sort\_on is on, check ascending string
  - a. If ascending 'A':
    - i. **# SORT PHASE**
    - ii. Create a folder 'tmp/sort' if not exist
    - iii. For every chunk, sort the chunk ascendingly based on the sort key and write the chunk to the tmp/sort folder named sc\_{i}.json, where i is the number of chunk
    - iv. **# MERGE PHASE**
    - v. Open a file tmp2.json (2nd temporary file) in append mode
    - vi. Create an output buffer priority queue (a list for now)
    - vii. Create a list of all opened file handles for all the sort chunks
    - viii. Get the first line of every sorted chunk and push it into the output buffer (as a priority queue data structure implemented as heapq in Python's built-in library)
    - ix. While output buffer is not empty
      1. Get the last in the output buffer and write it to tmp2.json
      2. Then get the next line of the sorted chunk that had its line pushed out
      3. If the next line is not empty (which means that if it's not the last of the chunk), read the line into a dict and push it into the priority queue
    - x. REPEAT UNTIL EACH SORTED CHUNK IS EXHAUSTED
  - b. If ascending 'D':
    - i. Repeat everything above except that sort in a descending manner, and push the largest element into the output buffer priority queue

- c. Remove the 'tmp/sort' folder
- d. Connect to tmp2.json
- e. For every chunk in the chunk generator, yield the chunk

## PROJECT

Located in: query\_functions.py(PROJECT)

Keyword: "My cat demands"

Input:

1. p\_list: list of parameters to project
2. c\_gen: chunk generator

## PSEUDOCODE:

1. If 'all' is in p\_list:
  - a. for chunk in c\_gen, yield chunk
2. Else:
  - a. For every chunk in c\_gen,
    - i. Create a container chunk
    - ii. For every dict in chunk,
      1. append only the key-value pairs of the keys in p\_list
      2. yield the chunk

## AGGREGATE

### CONCEPT: MAPREDUCE

Located in: query\_functions.py(AGG)

Keyword: "check each"

Input:

1. c\_gen: chunk generator
2. agg\_dict: dictionary of var and aggregate values (ex: {'sepalLength': 'biggest number'})

**NOTE: I made it so that sum(), max(), min(), mean() skips non-numeric values (or missing), but count() does not! So dividing sum() / count() might lead different results to mean() if dataset has missing values.**

## PSEUDOCODE:

1. Create container dict result\_d and reduce\_d
2. # MAP PHASE
3. For every chunk in c\_gen:
  - a. For every key, value in agg\_dict:
    - i. If value == 'smallest number':
      1. For every dict in chunk, get the minimum value dict[key]
      2. append to result\_d with 'min(key)' as key
    - ii. If value == 'biggest number':
      1. For every dict in chunk, get the maximum value of dict[key]
      2. append to result\_d with 'max(key)' as key
    - iii. If value == 'count':
      1. For every dict in chunk, count = count + 1
      2. append to result\_d with 'count(\*)' as key
    - iv. If value == 'together number':
      1. For every dict in chunk, get total sum of dict[key]

2. append to result\_d with 'sum(key)' as key
- v. If value == 'middle number':
  1. For every dict in chunk, get the [sum and count]
  2. append to result\_d with 'mean(key)' as key
4. # REDUCE PHASE
5. For every key, v in result\_d:
  - a. If 'max' in k:
    - i. Append to reduce\_d the maximum of the list of values in v
  - b. If 'min' in k:
    - i. Append to reduce\_d the minimum of the list of values in v
  - c. If 'count' in k:
    - i. Append to reduce\_d the sum of the list of values in v
  - d. If 'sum' in k:
    - i. Append to reduce\_d the sum of the list of values in v
  - e. If 'mean' in k:
    - i. Append to reduce\_d the (sum of the first element of the list of values in v) / (sum of the second element of the list of values in v)
  - f. yield reduce\_d
  - g. THIS REPEATS FOR EVERY ITEM IN RESULT D

## GROUP BY

### CONCEPT: 2-PASS GROUP BY

Location in: query\_functions.py(GROUPING)

Input:

1. c\_gen: chunk generator
2. group\_var: grouping variable

### PSEUDOCODE:

1. Create folder tmp/gBy if not exists to store group by chunks
2. # 1-PASS
3. For every chunk and its dict, store every possible values of dict[group\_var] as keys with empty lists as g\_val
4. # 2-PASS
5. For every chunk in c\_gen:
  - a. For every dict in chunk:
    - i. Append the dict where the value is the key
  - b. For every key, value in g\_val:
    - i. Write the values to a file with the key as name so to create a separate JSON file for each group
    - ii. REPEAT UNTIL EACH JSON FILE IS POPULATED
6. For every key in g\_dict:
  - a. connect to its JSON file
  - b. yield key, group\_chunk\_gen

## EVALUATE QUERY FUNCTION (QUERY FLOW EXECUTION)

Located in: query\_functions(evaluateQuery)

### PSEUDOCODE:

1. If tmp folder doesn't exist, make one
2. If CRUD flag is False:
  - a. SCAN\_JOIN to get a chunk generator
  - b. FILTER the chunk generator above to get a filtered chunk generator
  - c. 4 cases now:
    - i. If group flag and agg flag is both False
      1. Plug in filtered\_cgen to SORT()
      2. Get sort\_cgen to PROJECT()
      3. For every chunk in projected\_cgen, for every d in chunk, yield d
    - ii. If group flag is False and agg flag is True
      1. Plug in filtered\_cgen to AGG()
      2. For every chunk in agg\_cgen, yield chunk
    - iii. If group flag is True and agg flag is False
      1. Create folder tmp/group\_final if doesn't exist yet
      2. Plug in filtered\_cgen to GROUPING()
      3. For every key, c\_gen pair in grouped\_cgen:
        - a. Remove tmp2.json if exist
        - b. Plug c\_gen to SORT()
        - c. Plug in sort\_cgen to PROJECT()
        - d. For every chunk in PROJECT\_cgen, write the chunks to a file named g\_{}.json
          - i. **THIS IS TO AVOID LOADING ALL THE CHUNKS INTO MEMORY AT ONCE**
        - e. Connect to this file and get a grouped\_cgen
        - f. For every chunk in grouped\_cgen,
          - i. Insert {'group': key} at first position of chunk
          - ii. For every dict in chunk, yield d
    - iv. If both group and agg flags are True
      1. Plug in Filtered\_cgen to GROUPING()
      2. For every key, c\_gen pair in grouped\_cgen:
        - a. Plug c\_gen to AGG()
        - b. For every chunk in AGG\_cgen: append to a dict
          - i. **THIS IS FINE BECAUSE THE AMOUNT OF AGG() WON'T EXCEED MEMORY LIMITS**
          - ii. yield this dict
3. If CRUD flag is True:
  - a. Check if create is on:
    - i. Plug file name to create()
    - ii. For every item in list[self.f]:
      1. yield item
  - b. Else connect to the file:
    - i. If put flag is on:
      1. Plug this c\_gen to PUT() with url
      2. yield [self.data, self.url, self.f]
    - ii. If post flag is on:
      1. Plug this c\_gen to POST() with url
      2. yield [self.data, self.url, self.f]
    - iii. If delete flag is on:

1. Plug this c\_gen to DELETE()
2. yield [self.url, self.f]
- iv. If get flag is on:
  1. Plus this c\_gen to GET() with url
  2. For every chunk in c\_gen:
    - a. yield chunk

## **ASSUMPTIONS**

1. The chunksize **CANNOT** be less than the amount of bytes in one line or it will fail

## **LIMITATIONS**

1. Only can group with one variable
2. Only can sort using one variable
3. Only can do Nested loop **INNER** join, this can be pretty slow.
4. If aggregate can only project aggregated variables not any other variables
5. Not much error handling is implemented. **If error occurs, the whole thing crashes.**
6. **Multiple filtering** on the **SAME VARIABLE** does not work for now, I ran out of time!
7. **Multiple filtering** with **SORTING** sometimes work and sometimes doesn't
8. Graphics is LIMITED.

## **DATASETS**

### **Iris Dataset [15,349 bytes]**

Link: [Iris Dataset \(JSON Version\) \(kaggle.com\)](#)

Modification before loading:

1. Removed brackets at start and end and converted to NDJSON format
  - a. This cause every line to be a valid JSON object

**Note: I have set it that if you load the Iris dataset, the chunksize will be 10,000 bytes and will result in around 16 chunks. This is to showcase how my approach to memory management is able to be used to be used in devices with low memory capacity.**

### **SteamDB Dataset [158MB]**

Link: [Video Games on Steam \[in JSON\] \(kaggle.com\)](#)

Modification before loading:

1. Removed brackets at start and end and converted to NDJSON format
  - a. This cause every line to be a valid JSON object

**Note: The dataset contains a lot of missing values. This is to show that my dataset can handle missing values relatively alright.**

### **Yelp Business and Checkin and Tip Dataset[287MB & 180.6MB]**

Link: [Yelp Dataset \(kaggle.com\)](#)

Modification before loading:

1. To demonstrate joining, it would take too long to join 180.6MB and 287MB together, so I instead took the first 10,000 entries of yelp\_tip and yelp\_checkin and yelp\_business and named it **yelp\_tip\_sample.json and yelp\_checkin\_sample.json and yelp\_business\_sample.json**, which resulted in 19.8MB and 22.7MB and 8MB

## TECH STACK

Backend: Libraries(JSON, OS, Shutil, re, numpy, itertools, sys, random, string, heapq)

Frontend: Libraries(Colorama, Python built-in while function)

## SAMPLE QUERIES (IMPLEMENTATION SCREENSHOTS):

**NOTE: Default chunksize for IRIS dataset is 10,000 bytes, and the other two 4MB**

### IRIS

#### PROJECTION + SORT

My cat demands [sepalLength, petalLength] in paw-session of [iris] to be arranged by [sepalLength:D]

```
Enter text (or type 'exit' to end):
My cat demands [sepalLength, petalLength] in paw-session of [iris] to be arranged by [sepalLength:D]
Query Result:

{'sepalLength': 7.7, 'petalLength': 6.9}
{'sepalLength': 7.7, 'petalLength': 6.7}
{'sepalLength': 7.7, 'petalLength': 6.1}
{'sepalLength': 7.4, 'petalLength': 6.1}
{'sepalLength': 7.2, 'petalLength': 6.1}
{'sepalLength': 7.2, 'petalLength': 6.0}
{'sepalLength': 7.2, 'petalLength': 5.8}
{'sepalLength': 7.1, 'petalLength': 5.9}
{'sepalLength': 6.9, 'petalLength': 4.9}
{'sepalLength': 6.9, 'petalLength': 5.7}
{'sepalLength': 6.9, 'petalLength': 5.1}
{'sepalLength': 6.8, 'petalLength': 5.5}
{'sepalLength': 6.8, 'petalLength': 5.0}
```

#### PROJECTION + MULTIPLE FILTER

My cat demands [sepalLength, petalLength] in paw-session of [iris] with ones that [sepalLength is smaller than 7, petalLength is smaller than 4.9]

```
My cat demands [sepalLength, petalLength] in paw-session of [iris] with ones that [sepalLength is smaller than 7, petalLength is smaller than 4.9]
Query Result:

{'sepalLength': 5.1, 'petalLength': 1.4}
{'sepalLength': 4.9, 'petalLength': 1.4}
{'sepalLength': 4.7, 'petalLength': 1.3}
{'sepalLength': 4.6, 'petalLength': 1.5}
{'sepalLength': 5.0, 'petalLength': 1.4}
{'sepalLength': 5.4, 'petalLength': 1.7}
{'sepalLength': 4.6, 'petalLength': 1.4}
{'sepalLength': 5.0, 'petalLength': 1.5}
```

#### FILTER + AGG

My cat demands [all] in paw-session of [iris] with ones that [petalLength is bigger than 1.4] and check each [sepalLength:together number, petalLength:middle number, sepalLength:biggest number]

```
Enter text (or type 'exit' to end):
My cat demands [all] in paw-session of [iris] with ones that [petalLength is bigger than 1.4] and check each [sepalLength:together number, petalLength:middle number, sepalLength:biggest number]
Query Result:

{'sum(sepalLength)': 759.0, 'mean(petalLength)': 4.221428571428572, 'max(sepalLength)': 7.9}
```

#### FILTER + AGG + GROUP

My cat demands [sepalLength, petalLength] in paw-session of [iris] with ones that [petalLength is bigger than 1.4] and check each [sepalLength:together number, petalLength:middle number, sepalLength:biggest number] to be glued together by [species]



```

Enter text (or type 'exit' to end):
My cat demands [sepallength, petallength] in paw-session of [iris] with ones that [petallength is bigger than 1.4] and check each [sepallength:together number, petallength:middle number, sepallength:biggest number] to be glued together by [species]
Query Result:
{'setosa': [{'sum(sepallength)': 132.8, 'mean(petallength)': 1.5884615384615384, 'max(sepallength)': 5.7}]}
{'versicolor': [{'sum(sepallength)': 296.8, 'mean(petallength)': 4.260000000000001, 'max(sepallength)': 7.0}]}
{'virginica': [{'sum(sepallength)': 329.40000000000003, 'mean(petallength)': 5.552000000000005, 'max(sepallength)': 7.9}]}

```

## STEAMDB

### PROJECTION + FILTER + SORT(ASCENDING)

My cat demands [sid, name, published\_store, igdb\_score] in paw-session of [steamdb] with ones that [igdb\_score is bigger than 32] arranged by [igdb\_score:A]

```

Enter text (or type 'exit' to end):
My cat demands [sid, name, published_store, igdb_score] in paw-session of [steamdb] with ones that [igdb_score is bigger than 32] arranged by [igdb_score:A]
Query Result:
{'sid': 262190, 'name': 'Zombeer', 'published_store': '2015-01-30', 'igdb_score': 33}
{'sid': 282560, 'name': 'RollerCoaster Tycoon World™', 'published_store': '2016-11-16', 'igdb_score': 33}
{'sid': 709620, 'name': 'Squareboy vs Bullies: Arena Edition', 'published_store': '2017-12-07', 'igdb_score': 33}
{'sid': 304150, 'name': 'Bloodbath', 'published_store': '2014-06-16', 'igdb_score': 34}
{'sid': 353190, 'name': 'BombsHELL', 'published_store': '2016-01-29', 'igdb_score': 34}
{'sid': 258950, 'name': 'Montague's Mount', 'published_store': '2013-11-19', 'igdb_score': 35}
{'sid': 297740, 'name': 'Overruled!', 'published_store': '2015-09-15', 'igdb_score': 35}
{'sid': 316700, 'name': 'Front Page Sports Football', 'published_store': '2014-10-02', 'igdb_score': 35}
{'sid': 347720, 'name': 'Soda Drinker Pro', 'published_store': '2016-04-13', 'igdb_score': 35}
{'sid': 349720, 'name': 'Audition Online', 'published_store': '2015-06-03', 'igdb_score': 35}
{'sid': 432240, 'name': 'UnderDread', 'published_store': '2016-03-01', 'igdb_score': 35}

```

### AGG

My cat demands [all] in paw-session of [steamdb] and check each's [full\_price:middle number, igdb\_score:middle number, sid:count]

```

My cat demands [all] in paw-session of [steamdb] and check each's [full_price:middle number, igdb_score:middle number, sid:count]
Query Result:
{'mean(full_price)': 907.910630753786, 'mean(igdb_score)': 70.25459782849546, 'count(*)': 53981}

```

### AGG + GROUP

My cat demands [all] in paw-session of [steamdb] and check each's [full\_price:middle number, igdb\_score:middle number, sid:count] to be glued together by [platforms]

```

Welcome to CatDB!
Enter text (or type 'exit' to end):
My cat demands [all] in paw-session of [steamdb] and check each's [full_price:middle number, igdb_score:middle number, sid:count] to be glued together by [platforms]
Query Result:
{'WIN,MAC,LNX': [{'mean(full_price)': 928.8369691923397, 'mean(igdb_score)': 72.52758007117438, 'count(*)': 6706}]}
{'WIN,MAC': [{'mean(full_price)': 895.9926191901058, 'mean(igdb_score)': 70.7375, 'count(*)': 5896}]}
{'WIN': [{'mean(full_price)': 911.7060906926783, 'mean(igdb_score)': 69.21661054994388, 'count(*)': 39851}]}
{'WIN,LNX': [{'mean(full_price)': 762.6767976278725, 'mean(igdb_score)': 68.92, 'count(*)': 1521}]}
{'MAC': [{'mean(full_price)': 799.0, 'mean(igdb_score)': 81.0, 'count(*)': 5}]}
{'MAC,LNX': [{'mean(full_price)': 499.0, 'mean(igdb_score)': None, 'count(*)': 1}]}
{'LNX': [{'mean(full_price)': None, 'mean(igdb_score)': None, 'count(*)': 1}]}

```

### GROUP

My cat demands [name, platforms] in paw-session of [steamdb] to be glued together by [platforms]

```

Enter text (or type 'exit' to end):
My cat demands [name, platforms] in paw-session of [steamdb] to be glued together by [platforms]
Query Result:

{'group': 'WIN,MAC,LNX'}
{'name': 'SUKAKKO', 'platforms': 'WIN,MAC,LNX'}
{'name': 'Earthworm Jim', 'platforms': 'WIN,MAC,LNX'}
{'name': 'Warp Frontier', 'platforms': 'WIN,MAC,LNX'}
{'name': 'Crash Drive 3', 'platforms': 'WIN,MAC,LNX'}
{'name': 'Gwan Moon High School : The Ghost Gate', 'platforms': 'WIN,MAC,LNX'}
{'name': 'Age of Fear 4: The Iron Killer', 'platforms': 'WIN,MAC,LNX'}
{'name': 'Mechajammer', 'platforms': 'WIN,MAC,LNX'}
{'name': 'Bounce Paradise', 'platforms': 'WIN,MAC,LNX'}
{'name': 'HUNTDOWN', 'platforms': 'WIN,MAC,LNX'}
{'name': 'Women of Xal', 'platforms': 'WIN,MAC,LNX'}
{'name': 'Modern Assault Tanks', 'platforms': 'WIN,MAC,LNX'}
{'name': 'Warlords: Age of Shadow Magic Tactical Action RPG', 'platforms': 'WIN,MAC,LNX'}
{'name': 'Set 'N Det', 'platforms': 'WIN,MAC,LNX'}
{'name': 'No Longer Home', 'platforms': 'WIN,MAC,LNX'}
{'name': 'WWR: World of Warfare Robots', 'platforms': 'WIN,MAC,LNX'}

{'group': 'MAC'}
{'name': 'Call of Duty: Black Ops - Mac Edition', 'platforms': 'MAC'}
{'name': 'Paul Pixel - The Awakening', 'platforms': 'MAC'}
{'name': 'MobileZombie', 'platforms': 'MAC'}
{'name': 'Escape Code - Coding Adventure', 'platforms': 'MAC'}
{'name': 'Celtreos', 'platforms': 'MAC'}
{'group': 'MAC,LNX'}
{'name': 'Arma: Cold War Assault Mac/Linux', 'platforms': 'MAC,LNX'}
{'group': 'LNX'}
{'name': 'PICNIC', 'platforms': 'LNX'}

```

## YELP

### JOIN + MULTIPLE FILTER + PROJECT + SORT(DESCENDING)

My cat demands [business\_id, review\_count, state] in paw-session of [yelp\_business\_sample to get along with yelp\_tip\_sample on business\_id:business\_id] with ones that [review\_count is smaller than 423, state is equal to FL] arranged by [review\_count:D]

```

Enter text (or type 'exit' to end):
My cat demands [business_id, review_count, state] in paw-session of [yelp_business_sample to get along with yelp_tip_sample on business_id:business_id] with ones that [review_count is smaller than 423, state is equal to FL] arranged by [review_count:D]
Query Result:

{'business_id': 'TghRoAMx43V-9l7mH-SEng', 'review_count': 408, 'state': 'FL'}
{'business_id': 'TghRoAMx43V-9l7mH-SEng', 'review_count': 408, 'state': 'FL'}
{'business_id': 'TghRoAMx43V-9l7mH-SEng', 'review_count': 408, 'state': 'FL'}
{'business_id': 'TghRoAMx43V-9l7mH-SEng', 'review_count': 408, 'state': 'FL'}
{'business_id': 'TghRoAMx43V-9l7mH-SEng', 'review_count': 408, 'state': 'FL'}

```

### JOIN + PROJECTION + SORT(DESCENDING)

My cat demands [business\_id, right.compliment\_count] in paw-session of [yelp\_checkin\_sample to get along with yelp\_tip\_sample on business\_id:business\_id] arranged by [right.compliment\_count:D]

```

Enter text (or type 'exit' to end):
My cat demands [business_id, right.compliment_count] in paw-session of [yelp_checkin_sample to get along with yelp_tip_sample on business_id:business_id] arranged by [right.compliment_count:D]
Query Result:

{'business_id': '-0G_6-KF0pCpxTUlVXCMYQ', 'right.compliment_count': 1}
{'business_id': '-3xX_IftKjP3792808J-Q', 'right.compliment_count': 1}
{'business_id': '-JPtuF_UEDno3F7ecmPTQA', 'right.compliment_count': 1}
{'business_id': '-K0LoSCfh8i5U_y53Krepg', 'right.compliment_count': 1}
{'business_id': '-M00KeFjJyxiP2cXmbbTHw', 'right.compliment_count': 1}
{'business_id': '-MHR6C1Uo83KKZpFABeSw', 'right.compliment_count': 1}

```

### JOIN + PROJECTION + SORT(DESCENDING)

My cat demands [business\_id, review\_count] in paw-session of [yelp\_business\_sample to get along with

yelp\_tip\_sample on business\_id:business\_id] arranged by [review\_count:D]

```
Enter text (or type 'exit' to end):
My cat demands [business_id, review_count] in paw-session of [yelp_business_sample to get along with yelp_tip_sample on business_id:business_id] arranged by [review_count:D]
Query Result:
{'business_id': 'GBTPC53ZrG1ZBY3DT8Mbcw', 'review_count': 4554}
{'business_id': 'GBTPC53ZrG1ZBY3DT8Mbcw', 'review_count': 4554}
{'business_id': 'GBTPC53ZrG1ZBY3DT8Mbcw', 'review_count': 4554}
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{'business_id': 'GBTPC53ZrG1ZBY3DT8Mbcw', 'review_count': 4554}
{'business_id': 'GBTPC53ZrG1ZBY3DT8Mbcw', 'review_count': 4554}
```

### JOIN + GROUP + PROJECTION + SORT(DESCENDING)

My cat demands [business\_id, review\_count, state] in paw-session of [yelp\_business\_sample to get along with yelp\_tip\_sample on business\_id:business\_id] to be glued together by [state] arranged by [review\_count:D]

```
My cat demands [business_id, review_count, state] in paw-session of [yelp_business_sample to get along with yelp_tip_sample on business_id:business_id] to be glued together by [state] arranged by [review_count:D]
Query Result:
{'group': 'PA'}
{'business_id': 'MMRRS6YhVRx_iN5-JhMRyg', 'review_count': 783, 'state': 'PA'}
{'business_id': 'MMRRS6YhVRx_iN5-JhMRyg', 'review_count': 783, 'state': 'PA'}
{'business_id': 'MMRRS6YhVRx_iN5-JhMRyg', 'review_count': 783, 'state': 'PA'}
{'business_id': 'MMRRS6YhVRx_iN5-JhMRyg', 'review_count': 783, 'state': 'PA'}
{'business_id': 'MMRRS6YhVRx_iN5-JhMRyg', 'review_count': 783, 'state': 'PA'}
{'business_id': 'MMRRS6YhVRx_iN5-JhMRyg', 'review_count': 783, 'state': 'PA'}
{'business_id': 'MMRRS6YhVRx_iN5-JhMRyg', 'review_count': 783, 'state': 'PA'}
{'business_id': 'MMRRS6YhVRx_iN5-JhMRyg', 'review_count': 783, 'state': 'PA'}
{'business_id': 'MMRRS6YhVRx_iN5-JhMRyg', 'review_count': 783, 'state': 'PA'}
{'business_id': 'MMRRS6YhVRx_iN5-JhMRyg', 'review_count': 783, 'state': 'PA'}
```

```
{'group': 'NV'}
{'business_id': 'TDKBPcViJQDMrdUm6a9XZA', 'review_count': 1245, 'state': 'NV'}
{'business_id': 'TDKBPcViJQDMrdUm6a9XZA', 'review_count': 1245, 'state': 'NV'}
{'business_id': 'TDKBPcViJQDMrdUm6a9XZA', 'review_count': 1245, 'state': 'NV'}
{'business_id': 'TDKBPcViJQDMrdUm6a9XZA', 'review_count': 1245, 'state': 'NV'}
{'business_id': 'TDKBPcViJQDMrdUm6a9XZA', 'review_count': 1245, 'state': 'NV'}
{'business_id': 'TDKBPcViJQDMrdUm6a9XZA', 'review_count': 1245, 'state': 'NV'}
{'business_id': 'CPFKi2lZJazP6IdtCdDDyg', 'review_count': 676, 'state': 'NV'}
{'business_id': 'CPFKi2lZJazP6IdtCdDDyg', 'review_count': 676, 'state': 'NV'}
{'business_id': 'CPFKi2lZJazP6IdtCdDDyg', 'review_count': 676, 'state': 'NV'}
```

### JOIN + GROUP + AGGREGATION + SORT(DESCENDING)

My cat demands [business\_id, review\_count, state] in paw-session of [yelp\_business\_sample to get along with yelp\_tip\_sample on business\_id:business\_id] to be glued together by [state] and check each's [review\_count:together number, state:count, review\_count:middle number, review\_count:smallest number, review\_count:biggest number]

```
Enter text (or type 'exit' to end):
My cat demands [business_id, review_count, state] in paw-session of [yelp_business_sample to get along with yelp_tip_sample on business_id:business_id] to be glued together by [state] and check each's [review_count:together number, state:count, review_count:middle number, review_count:smallest number, review_count:biggest number]
Query Result:
min(review_count)
{'PA': [{'sum(review_count)': 177008, 'count(*)': 847, 'mean(review_count)': 208.98229043683588, 'min(review_count)': 5, 'max(review_count)': 783}]}
min(review_count)
{'FL': [{'sum(review_count)': 84828, 'count(*)': 543, 'mean(review_count)': 156.22099447513813, 'min(review_count)': 5, 'max(review_count)': 768}]}
min(review_count)
{'AB': [{'sum(review_count)': 4810, 'count(*)': 96, 'mean(review_count)': 50.104166666666664, 'min(review_count)': 5, 'max(review_count)': 127}]}
min(review_count)
{'NV': [{'sum(review_count)': 69073, 'count(*)': 222, 'mean(review_count)': 311.13963963963965, 'min(review_count)': 5, 'max(review_count)': 1245}]}
min(review_count)
{'TN': [{'sum(review_count)': 104833, 'count(*)': 397, 'mean(review_count)': 264.06297229219143, 'min(review_count)': 5, 'max(review_count)': 1639}]}
min(review_count)
{'NJ': [{'sum(review_count)': 11242, 'count(*)': 139, 'mean(review_count)': 80.87769784172662, 'min(review_count)': 5, 'max(review_count)': 314}]}
min(review_count)
```

**NOTE:** If you divide sum() and count(), it might lead to different results than mean() because sum() skips missing values while count() does not.

## SAMPLE CRUD

### CREATE

My cat wants to make this thing [crud]

```
Enter text (or type 'exit' to end):  
My cat wants to make this thing [crud]  
Query Result:
```

Created!

AirDrop	> cdict	Today at 10:07 PM	--	Folder
Recents	crud.json	Today at 10:28 PM	2 bytes	JSON

### PUT

My cat wants to add/change this thing [{"test":"good"} in dsci551:good/computer:science in crud]

```
Enter text (or type 'exit' to end):  
My cat wants to add/change this thing [{"test":"good"} in dsci551:good/computer:science in crud]  
Query Result:
```

```
append_end  
write  
Chunk Dictionary is being recreated  
Added!  
{"test":"good"}  
dsci551:good/computer:science  
../data/crud.json
```

```
{  
  "dsci551": "good", "computer": "science", "test": "good"  
}
```

### QUERY MANUAL

Projection: My cat demands

Filter: with ones that[var1 is equal to 10, var2 is bigger than 20]

- = : is equal to
- > : is bigger than
- < : is smaller than
- >= : is bigger or equal to
- <= : is smaller or equal to
- **NOTE: MULTIPLE FILTERING IS VERY UNSTABLE AS OF CURRENTLY**
- **NOTE: MULTIPLE FILTERING ON SAME VARIABLE DOESN'T WORK AS OF CURRENTLY**

Scan: in paw-session of [JSON\_file name without the .json extension]

- Join: to get along with
- for example: in paw-session of [JSON1 to get along with JSON2 on join\_var1:join\_var2]

Group: to be glued together by [group\_var]

- **NOTE: ONLY SINGLE VARIABLE GROUPING AS OF CURRENTLY**

Aggregate: check each [var1:together number, var2:count, var3:smallest number]

- max: biggest number
- min: smallest number
- count: count
- mean: middle number
- sum: together number



Order: arranged by [var:D or var:A]

- :D for descending, :A for ascending
- **NOTE: ONLY SINGLE VARIABLE SORTING AS OF CURRENTLY**

CRUD: My cat wants to

**ASSUME URL is in the form of "key:val/key:val/..."**

**ASSUME DATA is a valid form of JSON in the form of {"key": "val"}**

GET: steal this thing [URL in JSON\_fileName]

PUT: add/change this thing [DATA in URL in JSON\_fileName]

POST: slip in this thing [DATA in URL in JSON\_fileName]

DELETE: destroy this thing [URL in JSON\_fileName]

Create: make this thing [JSON\_fileName]

### Learning Outcomes

From this project, I really get to understand first-hand algorithms that use chunks instead of loading into memory. This really solidified my understanding of external sorting algorithms, 2-pass algorithms (grouping), mapReduce (aggregation), and query execution engines. This is very useful for understanding how database management systems like Hadoop, MySQL, MongoDB works under the hood.

Furthermore, I really solidified my Python programming skills and especially with the use of Python generators. It allowed me to understand and become extremely familiar with the limitations and usefulness of Python generators.

### Challenges

The first big challenge was chunking JSON files. I knew I couldn't just randomly chunk every 10,000 bytes. This will lose the essential structure of the JSON file. Plus, I couldn't keep my chunks to around 10,000 bytes if I read every 100 lines since every line will contain different amount of bytes. I finally made the idea of a chunk dictionary after realizing that every valid JSON object ends with a newline delimiter in the NDJSON format which my database system supports. This quickly solved my problem.

Second, sorting is one of the most difficult algorithms to wrap my head around. It's only after really rereading the lecture and information on the algorithm that I could write the algorithm. Still, after thinking about a diagram, I realized I could use a priority queue to quickly implement an output buffer.

Finally, the hardest part in my opinion was to find out how to do query execution. The two parts that got to me was how to use generators and plug them into each other, and how to control the flow of

execution. For the former, I realized that by iterating through the chunks in each of the functions, I could simply treat the functions as a gate that only allows some chunks or parts of the chunk to flow through. Also, to avoid loading everything to memory, if I require it, I will write everything into the disk. For the latter, I tried many things including using the iterator model the lecture taught us. But then I realized that the query generally follows 4 paths and that depends entirely on grouping and aggregation. I then realized binary flags would quickly help with this issue.

## Conclusion

The project was both a really difficult task and a really fun one. I really enjoyed all the brainstorming and ideas I could try to implement, only to see if it would work or not. Honestly, it gave me confidence that I could build anything I want to as this might have been the most complex thing I have built.

Furthermore, the project really solidified my understanding of sorting and chunk-based algorithms. Avoiding loading everything into memory was really difficult, but really rewarding to learn. It really makes me realize how different an algorithm can be if you don't load everything into memory.

In conclusion, the project was a great way to practically apply and solidify my understanding of these algorithms I learned in class. It is definitely a project I'm very proud of.

## Future Scope

I really did not have the time to explore implementing a good UI. I think the main thing to explore in the future is interactive GUI or displays of the datasets, changing in real time.