

Project 1: Ingesting Parking Violations Data into ElasticSearch

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For this project I loaded 5 million rows of parking violation data from NYC Open Data to ElasticSearch. In order to do so, I provisioned two AWS's t2.xlarge EC2 instances and ran multiple containers inside each instance. For the containers I had to build a docker image.

To build the docker image I used the following command:

```
docker build -t project01:1.0 project01/
```

And to run the containers I had run the docker image. Each container pushed 200,000 documents to the ElasticSearch index called "violation". Also, everytime I ran a new container I changed the value for num_pages to compute the offset.

To run the docker image I used the following command:

```
docker run -v $PWD:/app \  
-e DATASET_ID="nc67-uf89" \  
-e APP_TOKEN="APP TOKEN" \  
-e INDEX_NAME="violation" \  
-e ES_HOST="HOST" \  
-e ES_USERNAME="USER NAME" \  
-e ES_PASSWORD="PASSWORD" \  
-d project01:1.0 python src/main.py --page_size=200000 --num_pages=1
```

As for the python script, you can see that on line 63, which is given below, I have a loop. However, because I was parallelizing the process using multiple containers and EC2 instances, the loop would have resetted the offset resulting in duplicates. So, I removed this loop while I loaded the rows.

Removed the loop to avoid duplicates

```
for page in range(0,args.num_pages):  
    rows = client.get(DATASET_ID, limit= args.page_size, order = "summons_number",  
        offset =page*args.page_size) # rows
```

Visualizing the data

After the rows were uploaded, I visually analysed the data in Kibana. I created a total of 6 visualizations. I used visualization types such as tag cloud, metric, TSVB, horizontal bar, pie, to create them. Please note that for the visualizations, I excluded the missing values.

Visualizations

5,117,575
Unique Summon Numbers

Figure 1: Unique Summons

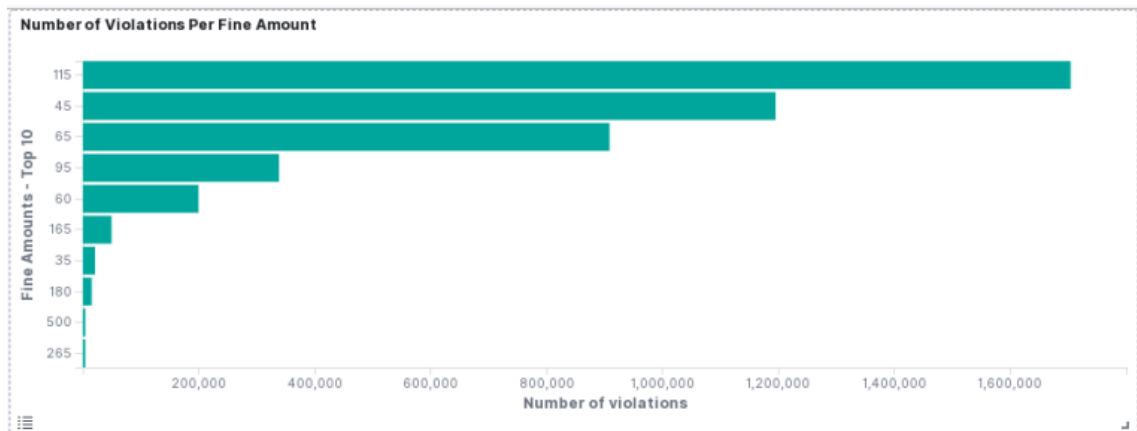


Figure 2: Number of Violations Per Fine Amount

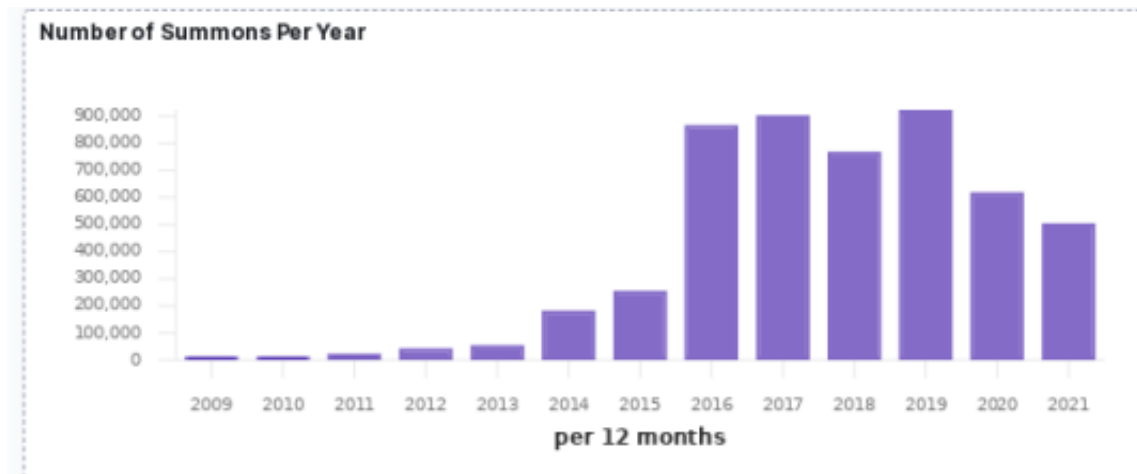


Figure 3: Number of Summons Per Year

Percentage of Parking Violations Per County(Top 5)

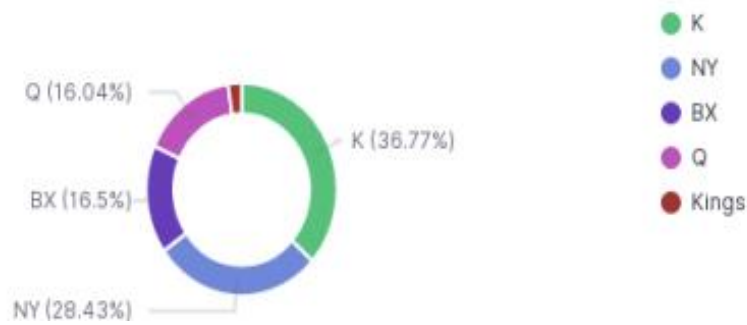


Figure 4: Percentage of Parking Violations Per County



Violations - Top 10

Figure 5: Top 10 Violations

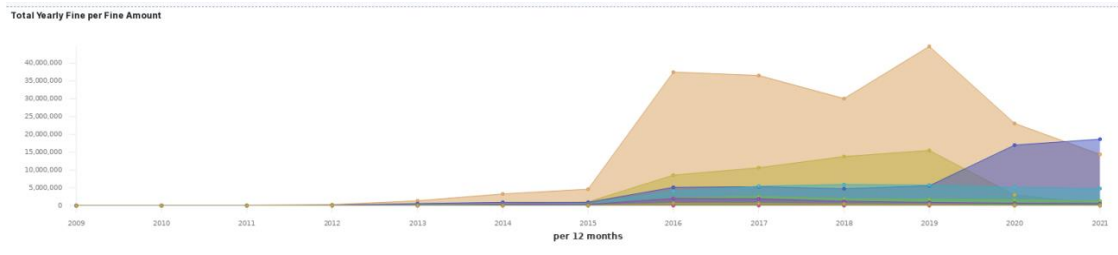


Figure 6: Total Yearly Fine Per Fine Amount

Conclusion

For this project I uploaded more than 5 five million unique rows to ElasticSearch as can be seen in Figure 1. From the analysis in Kibana we know that:

- \$115 was charged for the most parking violations followed by \$45 (Figure 2)

- The total yearly amount for the fine amount of \$115 was the highest from 2012 - 2020, but towards the end of 2020 we see the total yearly amount for fine amount of \$65 is surpassing it (Figure 6)
- Most summons were issued in years 2016, 2017 and 2019 (Figure 3)
- Most summons were issued in counties k and NY (Figure 4)
- Most common violations include “no parking street-cleaning”, “no standing-day/time limits”, “crosswalk”, “double parking” etc.