Lightning Talk

Data Experience & Tools

How Agoda Empowered Employees to Build Efficient Data Pipelines

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Agoda Workflow Editor

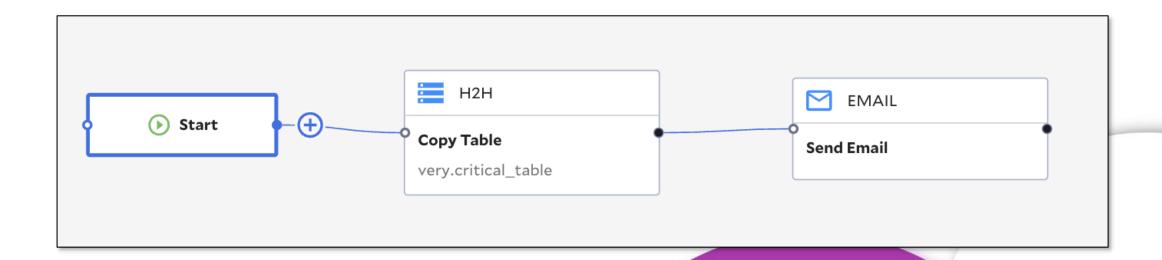
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What is Workflow Editor?

- 1. Workflow: Sequence of tasks performed in particular order
- 2. Action: One Task eg: Copy Data, Send Email etc
- **3. Scheduler:** Executes workflow at defined times



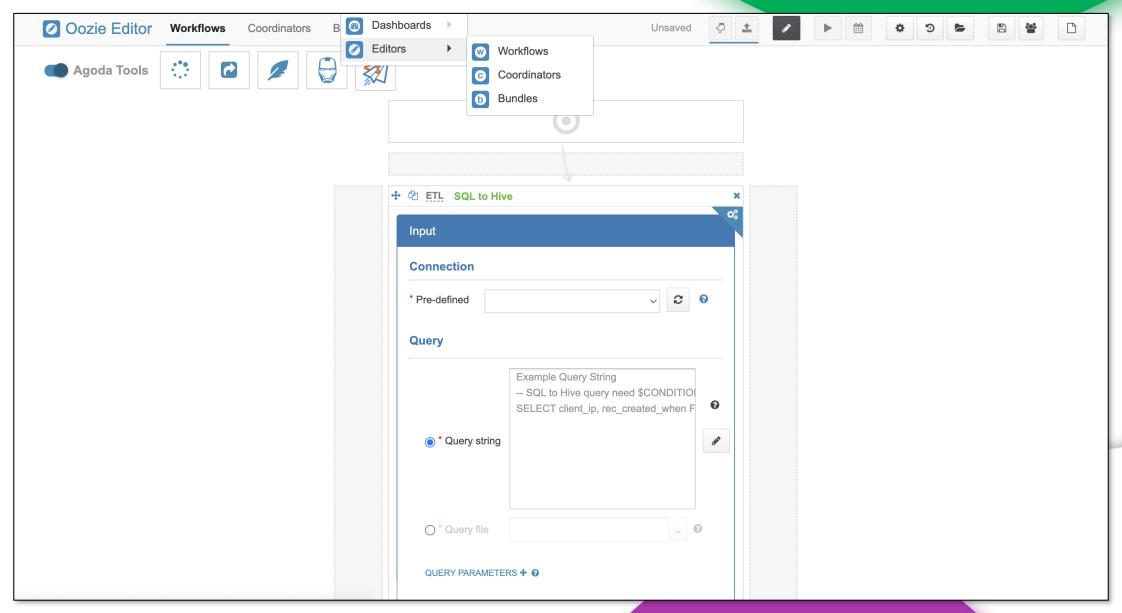
Why a Workflow Editor?

- No Code / Low Code Platform
- ANYONE (including non-Tech) can easily build & manage complex data pipelines
- Powerful and Flexible enough for Developers who need more advance features



3 Years Ago

Old Workflow Editor





Rethinking Workflows in Agoda.. Objectives

- Developer happiness
- Change Management
 - Version Control and Rollback
 - Approvals and Change Management
- Custom IDE
 - Query Unit Testing
 - Test runs
 - Easy to transition from Development to Production



Resolving Core Formats and Interfaces

Workflows Definition: Document or Code?



- Easy to transform
- Easy to learn
- Validatable
- Code is environment dependent

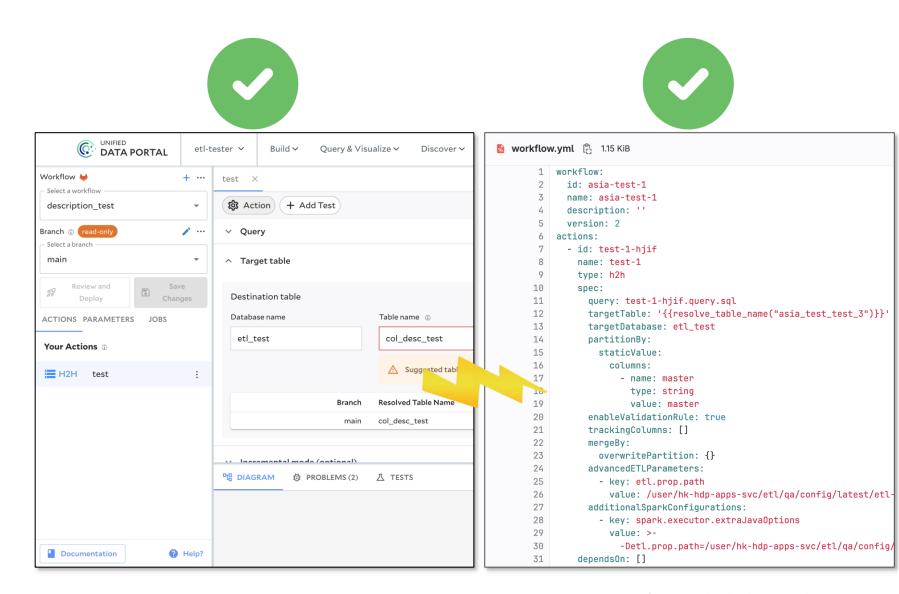
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workflow.yml [ 1.15 KiB
           workflow:
             id: asia-test-1
              name: asia-test-1
             description: "
             version: 2
           actions:
              - id: test-1-hjif
               name: test-1
               type: h2h
       10
                spec:
       11
                  query: test-1-hjif.query.sql
       12
                 targetTable: '{{resolve_table_name("asia_test_test_3")}}'
                  targetDatabase: etl_test
       14
                  partitionBy:
       15
                    staticValue:
       16
                     columns:
       17
                       - name: master
                         type: string
       19
                         value: master
       20
                  enableValidationRule: true
       21
                  trackingColumns: []
                  mergeBy:
       23
                    overwritePartition: {}
                 advancedETLParameters:
       24
       25
                    - key: etl.prop.path
                      value: /user/hk-hdp-apps-svc/etl/qa/config/latest/etl-
       27
                  additionalSparkConfigurations:
                    - key: spark.executor.extraJavaOptions
                     value: >-
                        -Detl.prop.path=/user/hk-hdp-apps-svc/etl/qa/config
       31
                dependsOn: []
```



```
if is debug workflow:
    debug workflow path = os.path.join(temp dir, 'deb
    try:
        str xml = open(debug workflow path, "r", encd
    except Exception as e:
        print('Cannot parse debug workflow: ' + str(e
        str xml = None
    if str xml:
        workflow xml = ET.fromstring(str xml)
        if workflow xml:
            for element in workflow xml.iter('Node'):
                    if element.find('GuiSettings').at
                        debug_text_box = element.find
                        original workflow = debug tex
                                             debug tex
                        workflow dir = re.search(r'(.
                except Exception:
print('workflow dir: ' + str(workflow dir))
code path = os.path.join(workflow dir, folder, script
exec(open(code path).read(), globals())
```

Workflows Development: Web IDE vs Local IDE?

- No learning git commands
- No Laptop Instructions
- Customizable experience
- Validations and immediate feedback
- Placeholders/hints

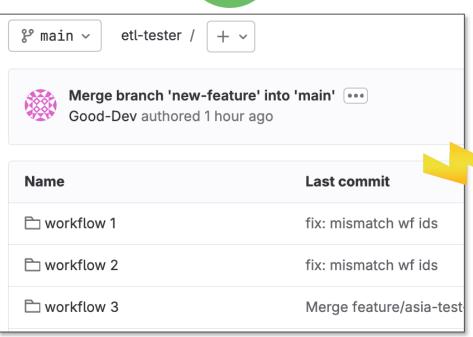




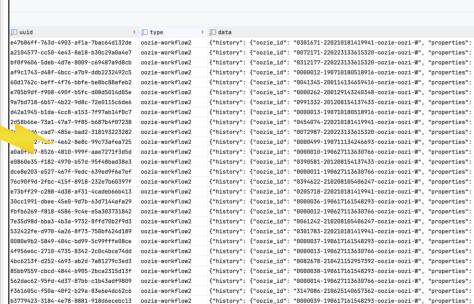
Workflows Storage: Gitlab vs Database?

- Universal source of truth
- Change Management
- Approval Flow
- CI/CD tooling



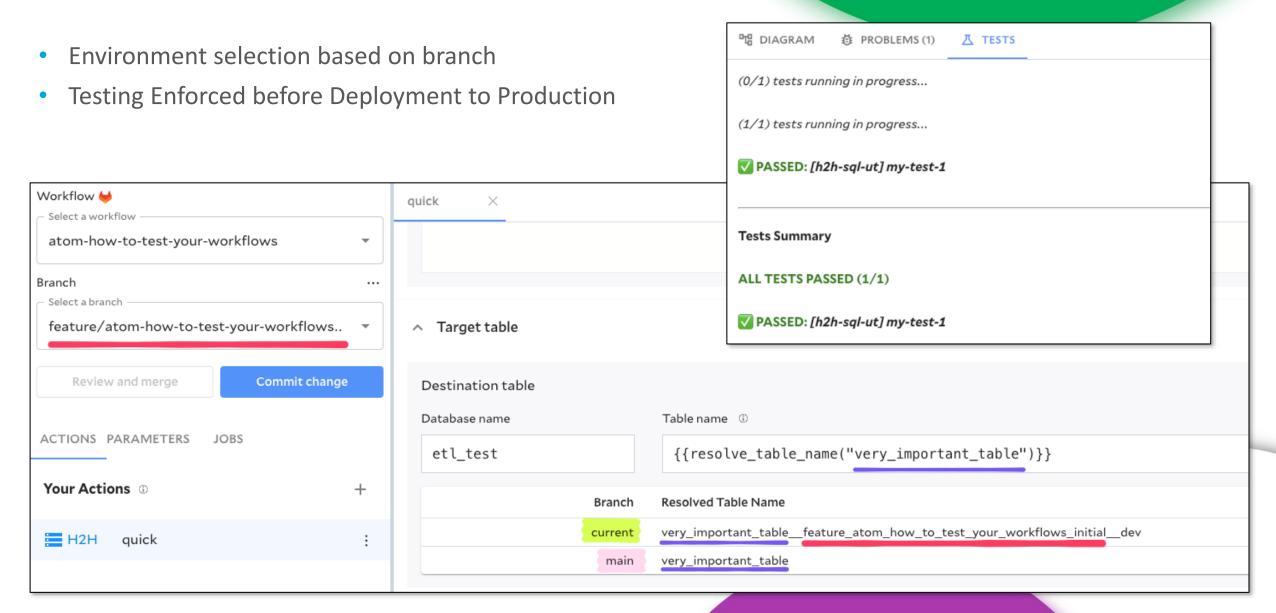








Development and Production Environments





Final Decisions:

Document

Web IDE and Local Both

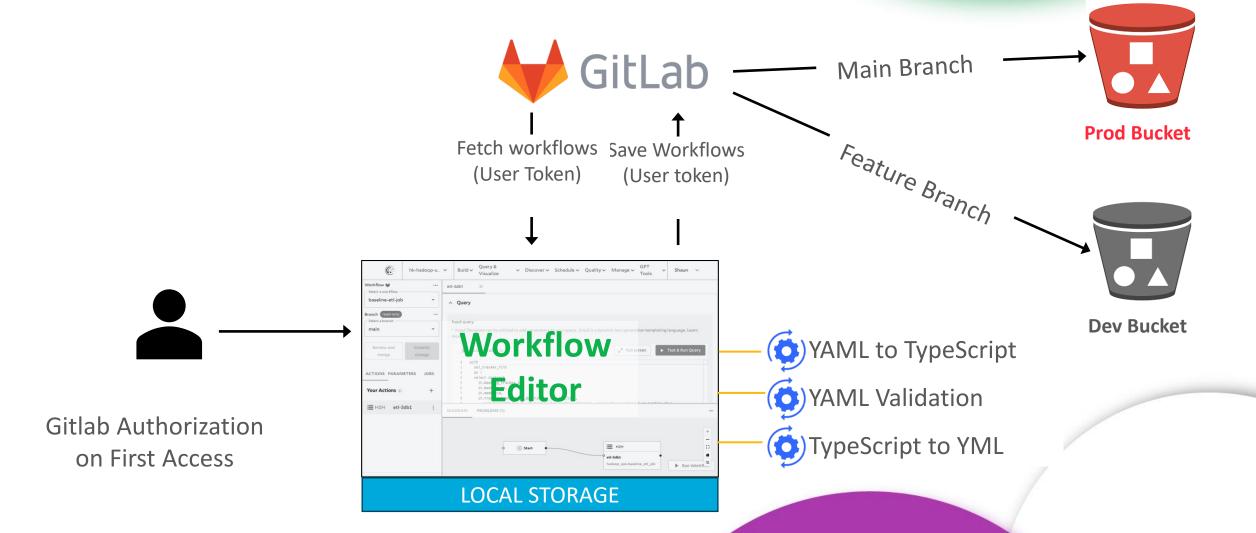
Gitlab

Environments : Branch based



User Flows and Tech Stack

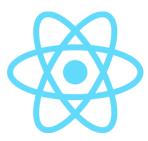
User Flows: Simplified



Tech Stack of Workflow Editor

- NextJS and React (Framework)
- 2. Valtio (State Management)
- 3. Material UI
- 4. Python + FastAPI (CI/CD)
- 5. Zod Schema
- 6. ReactFlow (Workflow Diagram)
- No Backend (Preferably)







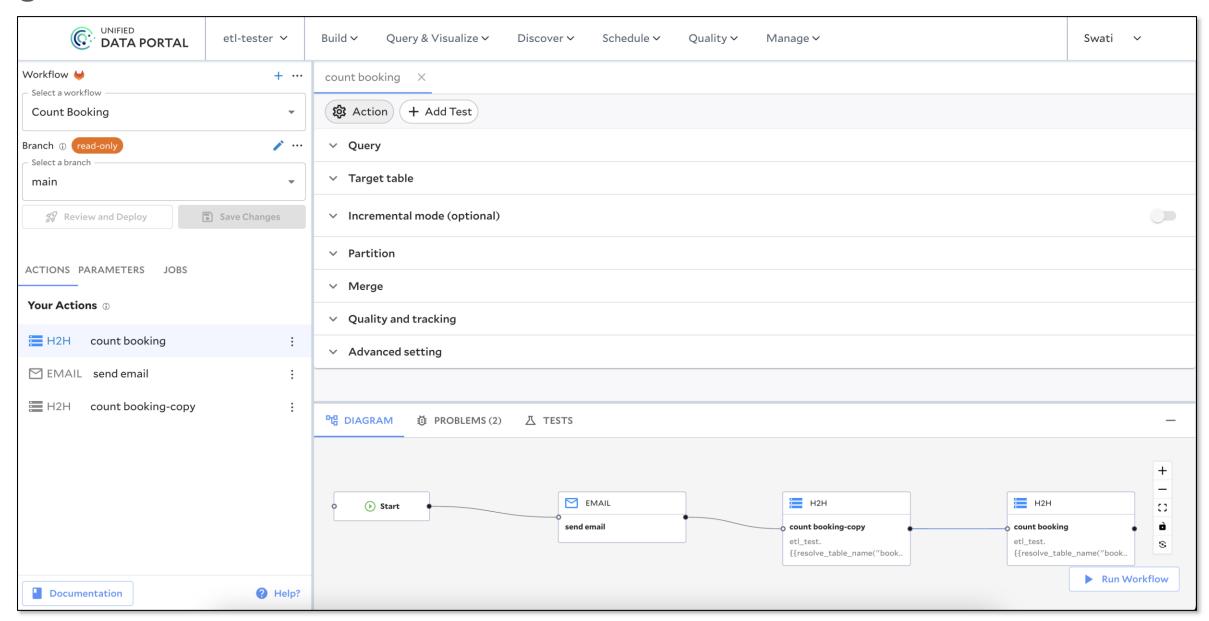






Agoda's Workflow Editor Today

Agoda's Workflow Editor





Agoda's Workflow Editor at a Glance



Decouple Workflow Definition from Execution

Allow changing underlying execution engine without touching user definitions

Empowered Employees

No Code / Low Code empower <u>ALL</u> employees to build complex data pipelines without technical expertise

Best Practices Out of the Box

Safely transition from Development to Production, Version Controlled, Ease of Rollbacks



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