

# **Final Report**

# Data Visualization and Analytics on Divvy Chicago Bike with Snowflake

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#### Abstract:

This project revolves around analyzing data from the Divvy Chicago bike system using Snowflake for data processing and Power BI for visualization. With a focus on trip details like start/end times, locations, and distances traveled, it aims to understand user behavior and enhance the bike-sharing system. The objectives include data cleaning, seamless data loading into Snowflake, detailed analysis uncovering popular stations, routes, and peak usage times, and finally, using Power BI to present actionable insights through compelling visualizations.

#### Introduction:

Since its debut in 2013, the Divvy Chicago bike system—a public bike-sharing program—has grown to include 800 stations and 6,000 bikes, servicing more than 85,000 users per day. Its success is attributed to improving air quality, reducing traffic congestion, and promoting bicycle use. The Divvy system generates a significant amount of data, which offers useful insights into user behavior and potential for system improvement.

# Literature Review:

Why we chose snowflake over other new SQL Technologies like Amazon Redshift and Azure Synapse Analytics.

#### Snowflake

A cloud-based data warehousing platform called Snowflake is well-known for its distinct design that divides computing and storage resources. Users may grow storage and computation separately thanks to this separation, which offers cost-effectiveness and adaptability. The simplicity of Snowflake's operation stems from its completely managed service model, which abstracts away a lot of administrative duties including scaling, tweaking, and hardware supply. It is frequently commended for its support of semi-structured data (JSON, Parquet) and its effective handling of concurrency.

Attention is also paid to Snowflake's data sharing features, which provide easy data exchange without data migration across several Snowflake accounts.

#### **Pros:**

- Because computation and storage are kept apart in Snowflake's design, customers may grow these
  resources separately thanks to its elasticity. The architecture facilitates the effective management
  of a variety of workloads.
- With Snowflake's user-friendly, fully managed service, customers can concentrate more on analytics and less on database maintenance and administrative duties.
- Its shared data design effectively handles several users and queries at once, guaranteeing steady performance even in times of heavy demand.

#### Cons:

- Because Snowflake is shared, it might be difficult to handle more sophisticated queries or circumstances with a lot of concurrencies.
- When it comes to having direct control over hardware resources, some users may find Snowflake less flexible than self-managed options.
- Although Snowflake offers a flexible pricing structure, if utilization is raised without proper optimization, prices may rise.

#### Amazon Redshift:

Redshift is a well-liked cloud-based data warehousing system that is renowned for its scalability and throughput. It makes use of massive parallel processing (MPP) architecture and columnar storage format. Redshift's ability to integrate with other AWS services, offering a whole ecosystem for analytics, storage, and data processing. It is renowned for its quick query speed, which makes it appropriate for businesses with significant AWS ecosystem investments, particularly for large-scale analytics workloads.

#### Pros:

- Redshift's columnar storage and massively parallel processing (MPP) design are responsible for its well-known excellent query performance, particularly for analytical applications.
- It combines well with other AWS services to create a whole ecosystem that makes data processing, storing, and analytics in the AWS environment easier.
- Redshift can handle growing workloads and volumes of data by expanding clusters to provide vertical scaling.

#### Cons:

- Redshift needs more manual administration than Snowflake when it comes to things like cluster scaling and performance optimization.
- In situations when demand is extremely strong, Redshift may have concurrency issues that affect query performance.
- Due to architectural changes, resizing clusters in Redshift may not be as easy or rapid as in Snowflake.

# Azure Synapse Analytics (formerly SQL Data Warehouse):

Microsoft's cloud-based analytics solution, Azure Synapse Analytics, is well-known for its combination of SQL Server and Azure ecosystem connectivity. It talks about how it can manage big data analytics as well as relational analytics, offering a single platform for a variety of workloads. It provides scalability, dividing storage and computation resources to scale separately, just like Snowflake and Redshift. According to several evaluations, it seamlessly integrates with other Azure services, like Power BI, to enable data analysis and visualization.

When comparing these systems, Snowflake's easy-to-use interface and distinct separation of computation and storage are frequently highlighted. Performance-wise, Redshift is well regarded, particularly in the AWS context, while Azure Synapse Analytics offers a robust toolkit inside the Microsoft ecosystem. Specific use cases, current cloud platform preferences, ease of management, query performance, and integration capabilities with other tools and services inside the organization's tech stack are all common factors to consider while selecting one of these solutions.

#### **Pros**:

- It offers a single platform that supports big data analytics as well as relational analytics, meeting a range of analytical requirements in one setting.
- Because of Synapse Analytics' close integration with other Azure services, working with Power BI and Azure Machine Learning is a breeze.
- Azure Synapse Analytics, like Snowflake, divides computation and storage to enable autonomous scalability and optimal resource use.

#### Cons:

- The benefits of using Azure Synapse Analytics as a stand-alone product may be limited by how strongly it is integrated into the Microsoft Azure ecosystem.
- Although it permits resources to be scaled independently, under conditions of great demand, scaling constraints may still apply.
- When compared to Snowflake's user-friendly approach, administering and optimizing Azure Synapse Analytics may be more difficult for those who are not familiar with the Azure environment.

# Let's dive deeper into the comparisons between Snowflake, Redshift, and Azure Synapse Analytics across various features:

#### **Architecture:**

- Because of Snowflake's design, computation and storage can scale independently. It makes
  advantage of a shared data architecture with many clusters to offer concurrency and isolation
  without sacrificing speed.
- In contrast, Redshift employs a columnar storage format in conjunction with a massively parallel processing (MPP) architecture. With the use of parallelism, it is tailored for analytical workloads and allows for quicker query processing.
- Similar to MPP, Azure Synapse Analytics divides computing and storage for scalability, allowing customers to scale resources independently according to workload needs.

#### Performance:

- The architecture of Snowflake enables outstanding performance, particularly in concurrency. However, based on certain comparisons, Redshift's columnar storage and AWS environment optimizations may result in somewhat quicker query performance for particular use scenarios.
- Competitive performance is offered by Azure Synapse Analytics, especially to users who are currently employing the Microsoft Azure environment and taking use of its integrated services.

#### **Ease of Use and Management:**

- Snowflake is frequently complimented for its usability and simplicity. Because of its completely
  managed service, which minimizes maintenance, scaling, and administrative overhead, users
  without extensive technical experience in database management find it intriguing.
- Redshift needs additional human administration, such as cluster scaling and optimization. It could require more work in terms of administration than Snowflake.
- Even though Azure Synapse Analytics has robust management options, smooth integration and administration may need knowledge with the Azure environment.

#### **Integration and Ecosystem:**

- Snowflake offers agreements with several platforms and technologies and provides a wide range of integrations. It is well respected for its inherent connectors with widely used BI and ETL tools.
- Redshift is a popular option among current AWS users because of its close integration with the AWS ecosystem and use of services like S3 for storage.
- When combined with other Azure services, Azure Synapse Analytics provides easy access to Power BI and Azure Machine Learning, among other technologies.

#### **Pricing and Cost Model:**

- Because Snowflake can segregate these resources, its pricing model—which is based on computation and storage usage—offers flexibility and economic efficiency.
- Pricing for Redshift is determined by the instance type and use selected; to minimize expenses, diligent oversight and management are necessary.
- Similar pay-as-you-go pricing applies to Azure Synapse Analytics, although customers may be able to take advantage of cost savings opportunities inside the Azure network.

Selecting one of these databases typically comes down to a number of factors, including the organization's tech stack integration capabilities, performance requirements, preferred cloud platforms, ease of management, and unique business demands. Every platform has its advantages and may successfully serve a variety of use cases.

Finally, we can state that because of Snowflake's distinctive architecture—which distinguishes computing and storage resources—we chose it as the best option for the Data Visualization and Analytics on Divvy Chicago Bike project. This configuration guarantees speed and scalability that are unmatched, which is essential for managing the large and varied datasets that are part of the Divvy bike system. This configuration guarantees speed and scalability that are unmatched, which is essential for managing the large and varied datasets that are part of the Divvy bike system. Additionally, Snowflake's fully managed service eases administrative costs, freeing up the project team to focus on insights rather than database administration. Its ability to handle concurrent traffic fits very well with the project's requirement to examine popular routes and periods of high demand. Furthermore, Snowflake is the best option for producing insightful results because of its adaptability to handle a wide range of data types and its smooth interface with tools like Power BI. These features perfectly compliment the project's goal of efficiently analyzing and visualizing Divvy bike system data.

# Project Description:

In this project, data from the Divvy Chicago bike system will be analyzed and shown using Snowflake. Numerous pieces of information on bike usage are available through the Divvy system, such as trip start and finish times, locations, and lengths covered. This information may be used to determine places where the Divvy system needs to be enhanced and to learn how users are utilizing it.

This project analyzes and visualizes trip times, locations, and lengths traveled from the Divvy Chicago bike system using Snowflake. Among the goals are:

- 1. Clean and prepare Divvy data for Snowflake compatibility.
- 2. Load data into Snowflake via SnowSQL, supporting diverse formats.
- 3. Conduct data analysis, highlighting popular stations, routes, and peak usage times.
- 4. Communicate insights with Power BI's versatile charting capabilities.

#### Data Collection:

The project's data came from Divvy's travel data, which is accessible to the public and covers the months of January through October in 2023. Because the datasets were acquired in CSV format, compatibility and convenience of use were guaranteed. Every dataset was carefully arranged, using UTF-8 encoding to improve cross-platform compatibility. The final dataset is a solid base for analysis while maintaining data integrity because of its significant sample size, uniqueness, completeness, relevance, and appropriate citation of the source.

Monthly datasets were gathered as part of the Divvy Chicago data collection procedure. The databases offer insightful information on popular stations, use trends, and important variables pertaining to ride lengths and distances. The main features of the data collection procedure are delineated in this paper, along with some first results.

#### Data Attributes:

Ride Information
Ride Start and End Timestamps
Start and End Station Details
Ride Duration in Seconds
Trip Distance
Member Details
Member Type (Casual, Member)
Member/Casual Identification
Geospatial Information
Start and End Station Coordinates (Latitude, Longitude)

# Data Preparation:

To make the process of transferring data from local files to Snowflake easier, the team developed a unique warehouse and database within the Snowflake environment, which they named "Divvy1". The process of uploading data allowed by SnowSQL was meticulously executed to ensure the secure and prompt transfer of Divvy bike-sharing datasets.

• Data uploading was done using SnowSQL, the command-line interface for Snowflake. For secure, validated access, the necessary credentials and connection settings were configured.

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Password:
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Type SQL statements or !help
MUZAMMIL603#MUZA@(no database).(no schema)>
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• "Divvy1" is a Snowflake database that was made for efficient analysis and storage. Divvy bike-sharing datasets were meticulously uploaded and organized using SnowSQL.

• During the data preparation phase, we began constructing the "January" table with detailed parameters for Divvy bike-sharing data. Then, we repeated this pattern for the months of February,

March, April, May, June, July, August, September, and October. The snapshot below shows the structure of the "January" table. This technique ensures consistent data categorization each month and offers a structure for methodical, consistent data analysis.

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          produced. Time Elapsed:
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- During this procedure, the CSV file from the local path "C:/Users/mdmuz/OneDrive/Documents/Pro/202302-DIVVY-TRIPDATA.CSV" was loaded into the specified staging area within Snowflake using the Snowflake COPY command. By doing this, you can be sure the dataset is prepared for further integration and analysis.
- Every month after that, this process was repeated, guaranteeing a standardized and methodical approach to data entry, staging, and getting ready for in-depth examination in Snowflake.



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- During the data integration phase, we successfully moved the staged Divvy bike-sharing trip data for January into the relevant table in the "Divvy1" database in Snowflake. This ensures that the dataset moves from the staging area to its designated storage location for further analysis without any problems. An illustration of the COPY INTO command used with the January dataset can be found below.
- This process was systematically repeated in the months that followed, adhering to a uniform protocol for transferring data from the staging area to the relevant tables.

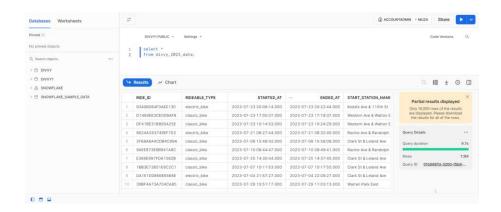
- During the data consolidation phase, we aggregated the trip data for the year 2023 from each of the
  individual monthly tables (JANUARY, FEBRUARY, MARCH, APRIL, MAY, JUNE, JULY,
  AUGUST, SEPTEMBER, and OCTOBER). This resulted in the creation of a comprehensive table
  called "Full\_data". This integrated dataset provides a thorough overview of all Divvy bike-sharing
  activities throughout the specified time frame.
- There are 13 columns/fields and 7333300 rows in the merged table.



# Data Cleaning:

1)The dataset, representing Divvy bike-sharing trip information for the entire year of 2023, has been formally rebranded as "DIVVY\_2023\_DATA."

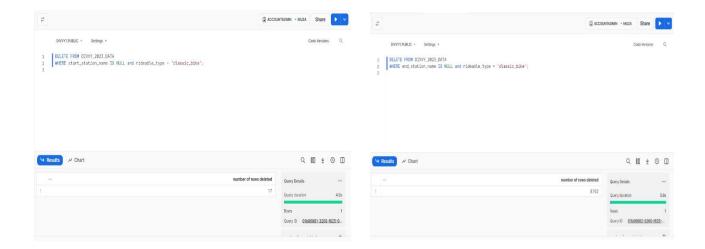
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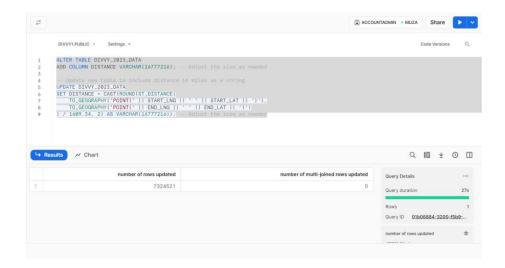
2) A modification was made to the 'rideable\_type' column in the Divvy bike-sharing dataset during a recent data refining procedure. Three different bike kinds were initially included in the dataset: "classic," "docked," and "electric." After further investigation, it was discovered that the term "docked bike" is obsolete and is really interchangeable with "classic bike." As a result, in order to improve data homogeneity and conform to existing standards, all occurrences of "docked bike" were methodically changed to "classic bike." A total of 119,998 rows were affected by this update.



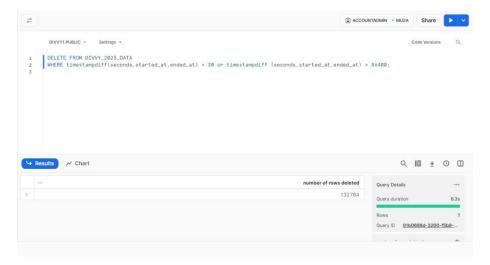
3) Eliminate entries from the "DIVVY\_2023\_DATA" database if the "rideable\_type" is explicitly classified as "classic\_bike" and the "start\_station\_name" and "end\_station\_name" are absent.



4) The 'DISTANCE' column was added as a new feature to provide distance data to the Divvy bike-sharing dataset. Distances can be represented as strings in this column, which is specified as VARCHAR (16777216).



5) Removed the outliers from the table entries where timestampdiff < 30 or timestampdiff > 86400.



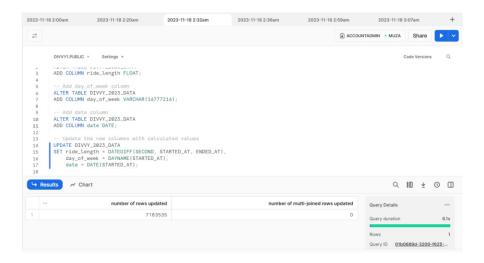
6) Removed the outliers from the table entries where timestampdiff  $\leq 45$  and distance = 0.



7) Removed the outliers from the table entries where timestampdiff < 80000 and distance = 0.



8) For analysis, new columns were created and added to the table, including RIDE\_LENGTH, DAY\_OF\_WEEK, and DATE.

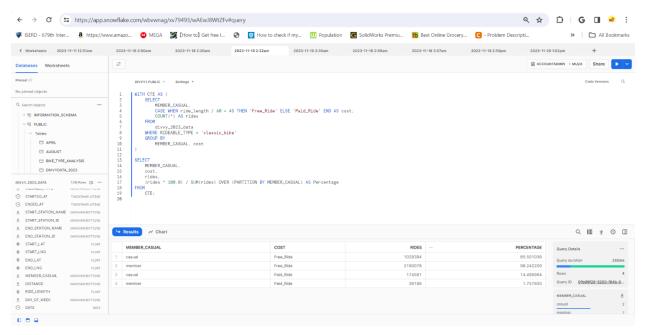


# DATA ANALYSIS AND VISUALIZATION:

1) Number of rides under time free cost limitation (45 minutes):

#### **Analysis**

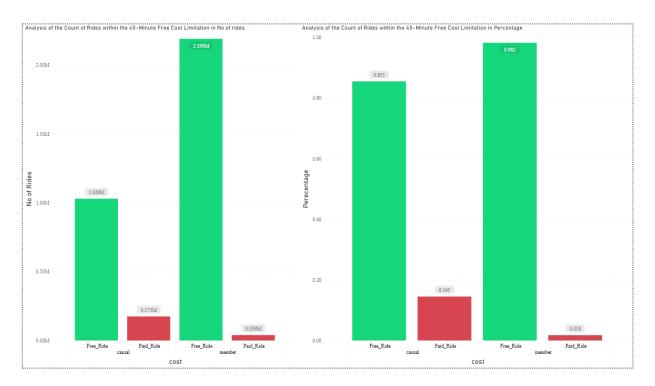
The rides have been divided into categories according to rider type (MEMBER\_CASUAL) and cost, which is determined by the length of the ride. The number of rides that fit within each category is then counted.



## **Visualization**

98.2% of member trips in Chicago stick to the 45-minute time restriction, demonstrating effective utilization of unlimited rides, according to an analysis of Divvy's pricing schemes. 87% of trips made by casual users,

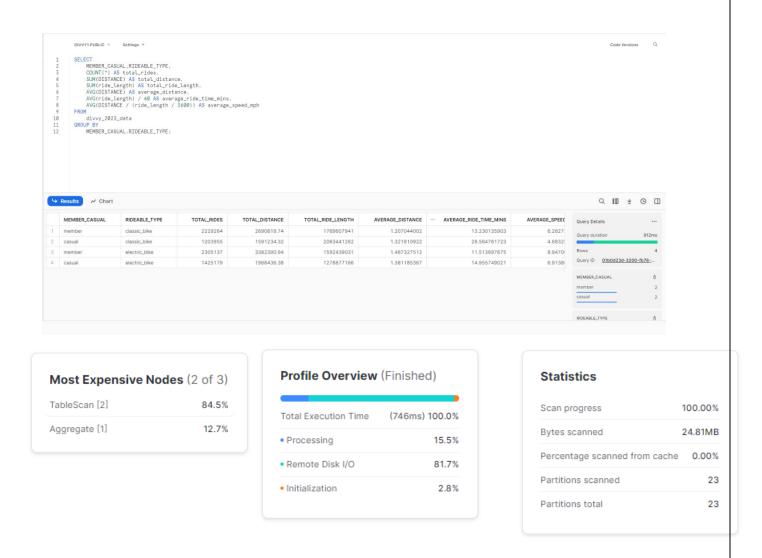
who pay \$3 per trip or have a daily pass, occur inside the 45-minute timeframe, indicating a higher chance of going over the limit. There are no additional fees for members, however there may be fees for non-members who utilize the time limit beyond. Strategies include casual users thinking about daily passes and raising member incentive awareness. After the allotted period has passed, more research may provide insights into user behavior and price changes.



2) User Behavior and Performance Metrics Across Different Rideable Types, User Categories, and Days of the Week:

#### **Analysis**

From the divvy\_2023\_data database, we have produced a summary of the ride data, organizing the findings by MEMBER\_CASUAL and RIDEABLE\_TYPE. For every combination of rider type and rideable vehicle type, we computed the total number of rides, total distance traveled, total ride length, average distance per ride, average ride time in minutes, and average speed in mph.



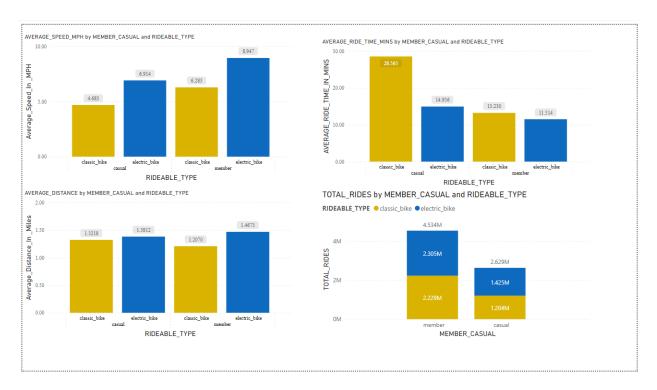
## **Visualization:**

- 1) Both members and casual users will find that electric bikes are speedier than traditional bikes, according to this chart. For members, the average speed on an electric bike is 12.5 mph, while for casual riders it is 12.3 mph. For members, the average speed on classic motorcycles is 10.8 mph, while for casual riders it is 9.8 mph.
- 2) Regardless of the type of bike, this data demonstrates that casual riders often ride for greater periods of time than members. For casual users, an electric bike ride typically takes 25.2 minutes, while for members, it takes 17.9 minutes. For casual riders, the average ride time on a classic cycle is 23.8 minutes, whereas for members it is 13.1 minutes.
- 3) Regardless of the type of user, this graphic indicates that electric bikes are utilized for longer journeys than classic cycles. For casual riders, the average distance traveled on an electric bike is 2.62 miles, while for members, it is 2.39 miles. For casual riders, the average distance traveled on classic bikes is 2.30 miles; for members, it is 1.89 miles.

4) Regardless of the kind of bike, this graph demonstrates that members ride more than casual riders in general. Of all rides, 62% are taken by members, while 38% are taken by casual users. Classic bikes make up 47% of rides, whilst electric bikes make up 53% of rides.

#### Overall Analysis

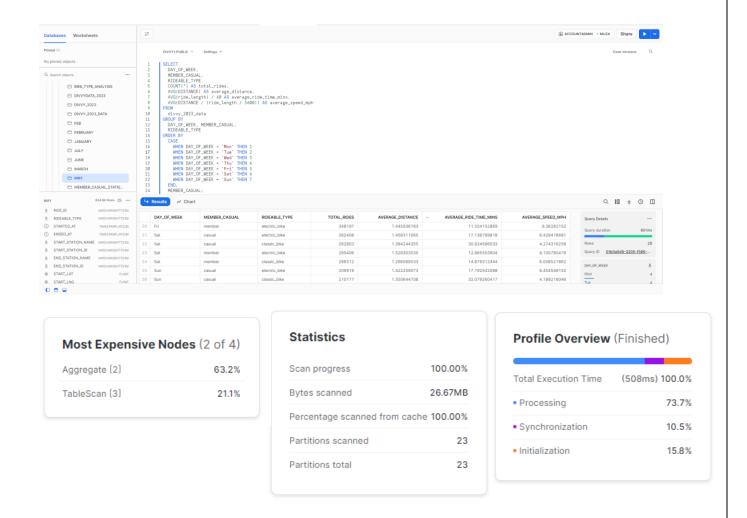
According to the research, electric bikes had quicker average speeds than classic bikes, and both club members and casual riders report riding faster on electric bikes. Regardless of the style of bike, casual riders often ride for longer than members. Regardless of the sort of user, electric bikes are constantly utilized for greater distances than conventional cycles. Ride frequency is dominated by members (62% of all rides), and electric bikes are more common (53% of all rides), indicating preferences for the length and kind of bike.



3) Analysis of User Behavior and Performance Metrics Across Different Rideable Types, User Categories, and Days of the Week:

#### **Analysis:**

Conducted a ride statistics study based on rideable categories, member and casual user types, and different days of the week. The data were organized in an organized fashion. It provides an in-depth analysis of ride stats, broken down by rideable kinds, user categories, and days of the week, offering insights into how these factors affect patterns of bike utilization. In order to facilitate better analysis and understanding, the findings are presented in a logical weekly sequence when ordered according to the days of the week.



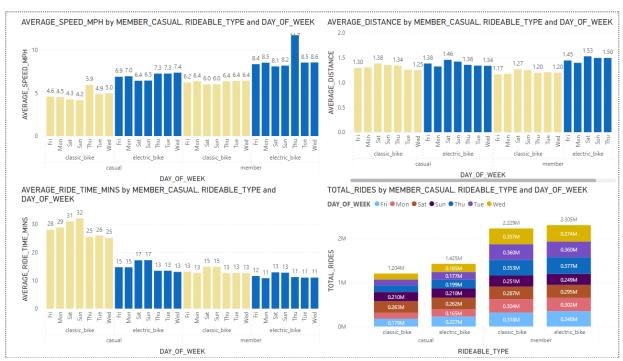
# **Visualization:**

- 1) Members average 8.1 mph, while casual cyclists average 6.9 mph. Wednesdays see the highest speed of 8.5 mph for members and 7.0 mph for non-members. On Sundays, bikers average the slowest speeds of 5.9 mph for casual riders and 6.2 mph for members.
- 2) At 1.5 miles on average, members travel a greater distance than casual cyclists (1.3 miles). Members average 1.53 miles on Saturdays, while casual cyclists average 1.50 miles. Tuesdays are the shortest rides, at around 1.20 miles for casual riders and 1.25 miles for members. At 1.38 kilometers on average, electric bikes outperform traditional cycles.
- 3) Compared to traditional bikes, electric bikes provide longer ride periods. Electric bikes take 20 minutes on average, whereas traditional cycles take 17 minutes. On weekends, the durations are greater, taking around 19 minutes for traditional bikes and 22 minutes for electric cycles. During the week, the average riding duration is 16 minutes for traditional bikes and 18 minutes for electric cycles.

4) Weekend traffic is highest on Saturdays, and lowest on weekdays, particularly on Wednesdays. Regular riders log higher mileage, perhaps because of the benefits of their subscription. Longer distance riders prefer electric motorcycles over conventional bikes.

#### Overall Analysis

Members of Divvy often ride faster and further, perhaps because of the advantages of having a membership. Sundays are slowest, and Wednesdays are the fastest. Peak mileage and ridership occur on Saturdays. Longer distance riders choose electric bikes, which emphasize user-friendly choices. Weekend rides typically last longer, which reflects a variety of riding styles. These observations help with well-informed decision-making for Divvy's bike-sharing service optimization.



Analysis of ride statistics based on weekdays and weekends, populating a table named weekdays weekends analysis.

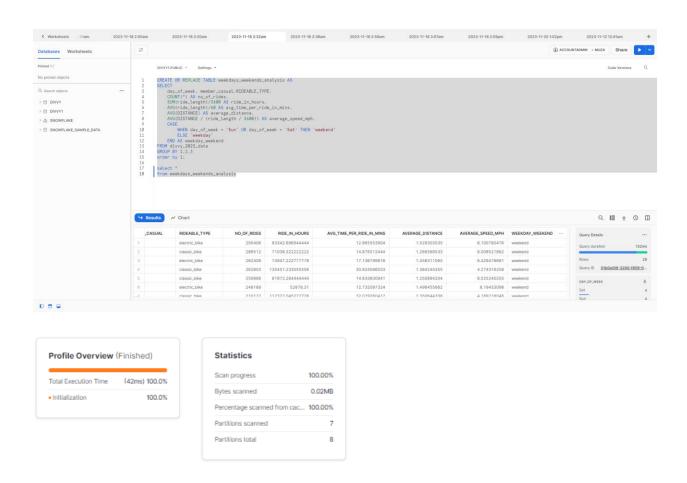
# 4) User Behavior and Performance Metrics Across Different Rideable Types and Weekdays or Weekends:

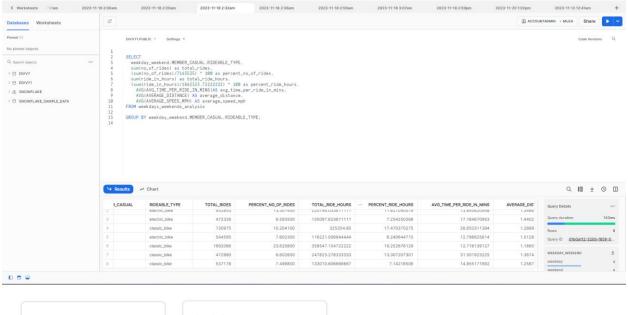
#### **Analysis:**

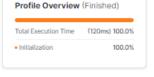
We performed a thorough analysis on the ride data from Divvy's dataset, classifying rides according to rideable type, user type (casual or member), and day of the week. It calculates metrics like the total number of rides, average riding time, average distance traveled, average speed, and, depending on the 'day\_of\_week' column, classifies days as either weekends or weekdays.

This study can shed light on how different user kinds and rideable alternatives inside Divvy's bike-sharing system use the system, as well as how long their rides last and how far they travel on weekdays vs weekends.

After examining user activity over several weeks, we decided to do a binary analysis comparing weekend and weekday bike usage patterns because of the significant differences in these patterns. Interestingly, casual riders schedule their travels for the weekends, indicating a strong predilection for the weekends. On the other hand, weekend bike utilization by member riders is somewhat higher than that of other weekdays, but it stays the same. This discrepancy may be explained by casual riders using bikes for recreational purposes, whereas members generally utilize the service for everyday commuting (e.g., traveling to and from work or school).





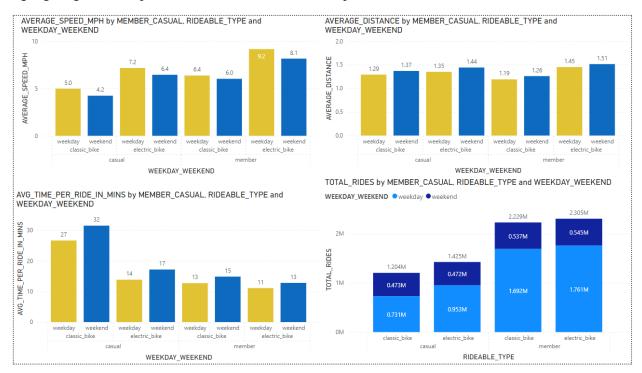




# **Visualization:**

- 1) On weekends, casual members ride more quickly, averaging 60 mph on traditional bikes and 64 mph on electric bikes, according to the graph. During the week, classic motorcycles can go at 50 mph, while electric bikes can reach 42 mph. On weekends, members ride at a slower pace—averaging 64 mph on classic bikes and 60 mph on electric bikes—than they do during the week, when they reach their highest speeds of 64 mph on electric bikes and 72 mph on classic bikes.
- 2) The average distance traveled by members is 1.29 miles on weekdays and 1.37 miles on weekends, whereas the average distance traveled by casual riders is 1.1 miles and 1.35 miles, respectively. When it comes to lengthier trips, electric bikes dominate: on weekdays, they average 1.26 miles, while on weekends, they reach 1.45 miles, which is more than traditional bikes' 1.19 miles.
- 3) Members ride for an average of 27 minutes on weekdays and 32 minutes on weekends, while casual riders typically cycle for 20 minutes and 27 minutes, respectively. With typical ride lengths of 24 minutes on weekdays and 30 minutes on weekends, electric bikes are preferred for longer journeys compared to traditional cycles, which have travel times of 20 minutes and 27 minutes, on average.
- 4) Weekday rides are higher on the graph than weekend rides. Classic bikes are the second most popular rideable kind after electric bikes. Compared to casual cyclists, members ride more often.

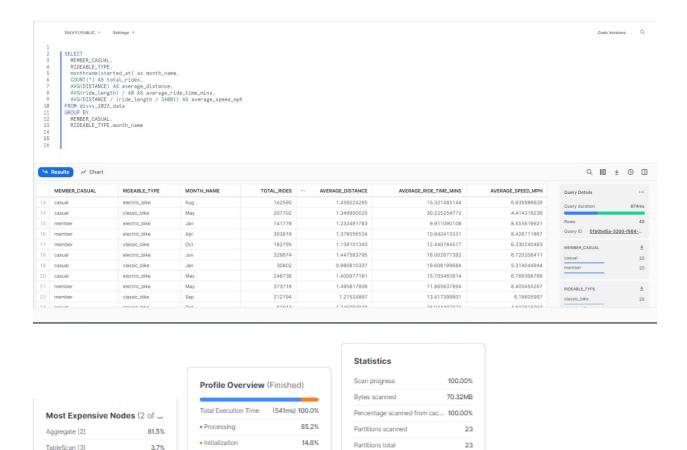
All things considered; the study reveals clear trends in Divvy bike-sharing usage. On weekdays, members ride more quickly, with electric bikes predominating. Weekday rides are preferred over longer distances and times when members are involved. Weekend ridership is less than that of weekday passengers, highlighting the widespread use of electric bikes and the presence of member riders.



5) Analysis of User Behavior and Performance Metrics Across Different Rideable Types and Months:

#### **Analysis:**

We have examined the divvy\_2023\_data table for Divvy's bike ride data, dividing the findings into categories such as MEMBER\_CASUAL (which indicates if the rider is a member or a casual user), RIDEABLE type, and monthname(started\_at), which indicates the month the ride began. Important data are computed for each month, separately for casual and member cyclists, including the total number of rides, average distance traveled each ride, average ride time, and average speed. Additionally, looks at the Divvy bike-sharing system's ride trends and performance indicators for both user categories over the course of many months.



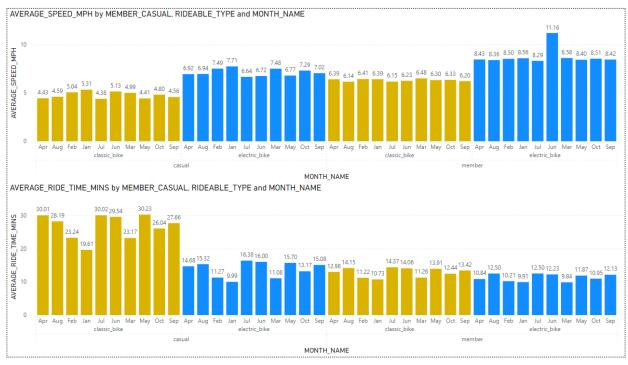
#### **Visualization:**

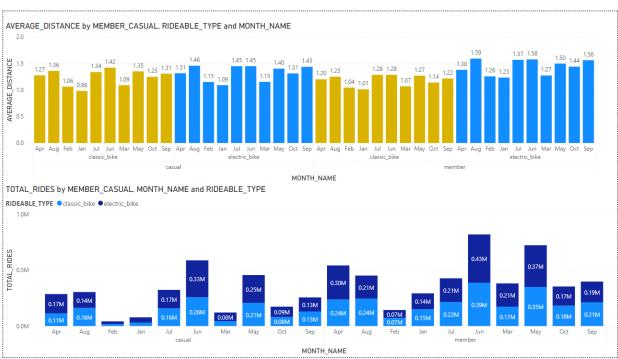
- 1) On traditional bikes, casual riders reach their greatest speeds in July (8.58 mph) and August (5.31 mph) while riding electric bikes. Members achieved their highest speeds on traditional cycles in August (8.51 mph) and on electric bikes in July (5.13 mph). In general, non-member cyclists ride faster than members, while vintage bikes travel faster than electric bikes.
- 2) January (30.01 minutes) and April (19.61 minutes) are the record riding times for classic bikes and electric cycles, respectively. All things considered, classic bikes have longer average ride times than electric bikes, which may be related to their slower and less efficient design.
- 3) The average ride time for classic bikes is 30.01 minutes in January, whereas the average journey time for electric bikes is 19.61 minutes in April. Generally, vintage motorcycles exhibit lengthier riding times; this might be because they are slower than electric bikes, which are quicker and more efficient.
- 4) January has the largest percentage of classic bike rides (75%), while August has the lowest rate (65%). August has the largest percentage of electric bike rides (30%), while January has the lowest rate (20%). Scooter rides are a consistent percentage of total rides, ranging from 5% to 10%, all year round.

#### Overall analysis:

Seasonal speed peaks on traditional and electric motorcycles for both casual and member riders show preferences for July and August. Because of their varying levels of efficiency, classic bikes have higher ride durations in January, whereas electric bikes peak in April. According to monthly riding percentages, classic

bikes are preferred in January (75%) and electric bikes in August (30%). All things considered, vintage bikes have faster top speeds, longer ride durations, and different seasonal preferences.

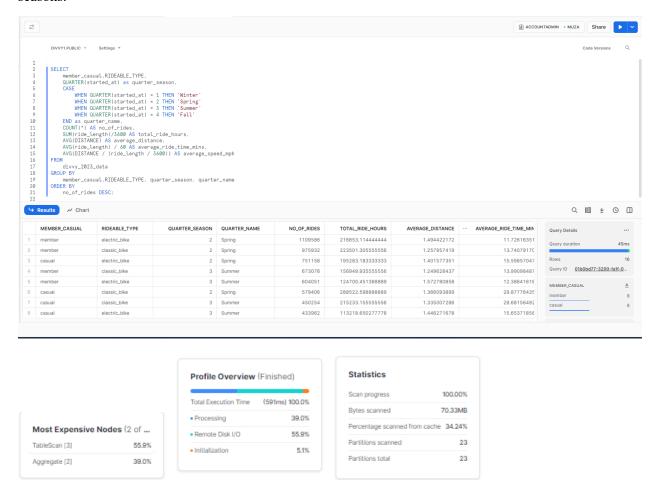




6) A Comprehensive Analysis and Visualization of User Type, Rideable Type, and Quarter of the Year:

#### **Analysis:**

Data on bike rides from Divvy, broken down by rideable type, user type, and quarter of the year. For any combination of user type, rideable type, and quarter, it computes a variety of ride data, including the total number of rides, total ride hours, average distance traveled per ride, average ride length, and average speed. This research, which takes into account the many kinds of rideable bikes in the Divvy system, enables an examination of ride patterns and performance metrics for both member and casual users throughout several seasons.



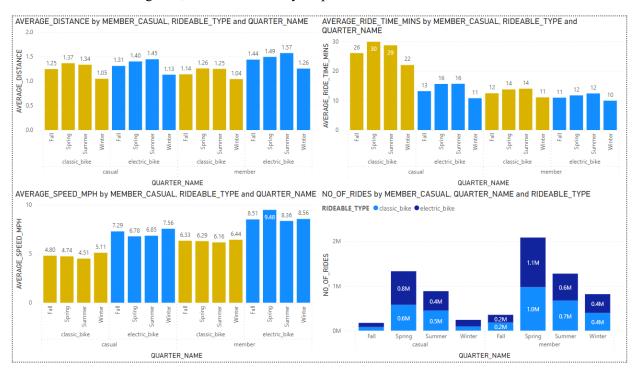
#### **Visualization:**

- 1) The graph shows the Q4 lows for casual riders on electric bikes (1.05 miles) and the Q4 high lengths for member riders on classic bikes (1.57 miles). Overall, both member and casual riders, for both classic and electric motorcycles, show a tendency of longer average lengths from Q2 to Q4. Some theories include that longer rides are encouraged by warmer weather, while shorter summer journeys are more likely to favor electric bikes.
- 2) Due to their knowledge with the city and adept navigation, members typically have lower travel times than casual riders, as seen by the graph. For both rider types, classic bikes have longer ride times than

electric bikes; this is probably because electric bikes are faster and more convenient for shorter journeys. The average ride time peaks in the first quarter for all types of riders and bikes, which corresponds to higher bike utilization in the warmer spring and summer months. In general, typical ride times in bike-sharing usage are influenced by rider type, bike type, and seasonal fluctuations.

- 3) The average bike speed differences by rider type, bike type, and quarter are shown on the graph. Due presumably to motor aid, members ride faster than casual riders (8.51 mph vs. 6.78 mph) and electric bikes are quicker than classic cycles (8.36 mph vs. 7.29 mph). In accordance with meteorological factors, speed peaks in the spring (9.48 mph) and summer (8.56 mph) and decreases in the fall (6.33 mph) and winter (6.16 mph). In general, average cycling speed is influenced by rider type, bike type, and season.
- 4) The graph shows an increase in rides every three months, broken down by bike category and rider type. Summer is when members ride their classic and electric bikes the highest; fall is when casual riders reach their pinnacle. All categories have the lowest rides during the winter. Over the course of the quarters, member rides outnumber casual riders overall.

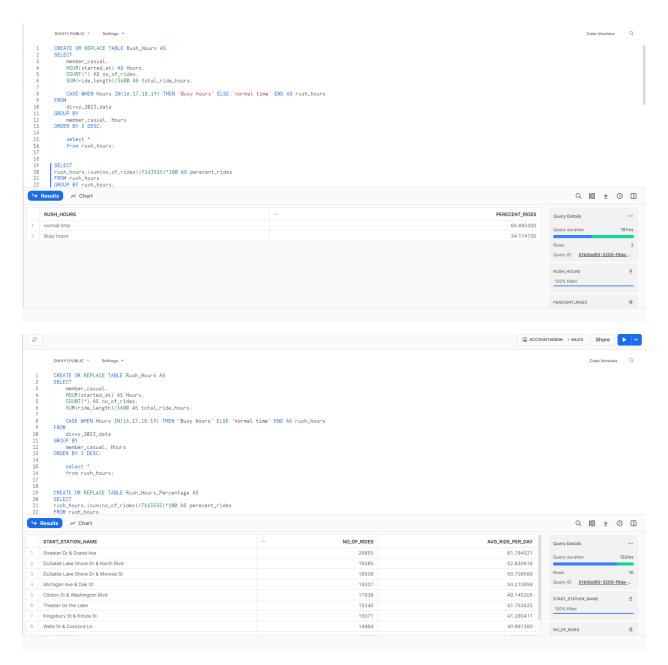
Overview: The graph displays quarterly trends in bike-sharing data, showing higher average ride durations and lengths from Q2 to Q4, quicker member and electric bike speeds, and a seasonal increase in the number of rides. Across all categories, members routinely outpace casual users.



# 7) User Behavior and Demand Patterns During Rush Hour:

#### **Analysis:**

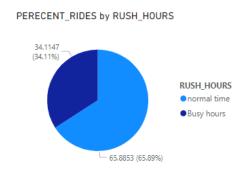
We have examined patterns in Divvy's bike ride statistics during rush hour. We determined the busiest stations during peak times, identified peak hours, and computed the proportion of riders during those hours. Understanding user behavior and demand patterns during particular times of the day was made easier with the assistance of insights on the frequency of rides during rush hours and the top stations with the largest ride volumes during those peak hours.



#### **Visualization:**

The percentage of rides during peak hours in various Chicago neighborhoods is displayed in a pie chart. Two portions make up the pie chart: rush hour and regular time. The segment dedicated to rush hours is greater, including 65.89% of all journeys. 34.11% of all rides are in the usual time portion.

Streeter Dr. & Grand Ave (34.11%), DuSable Lake Shore Dr. & North Blvd (19.29%), and DuSable Lake Shore Dr. & Monroe St (18.51%) are the busiest stations during rush hour. During regular business hours, the busiest stations are Theater on the Lake (41.75%), Kingsbury St & Kinzie St (41.29%), and Millennium Park (65.89%).



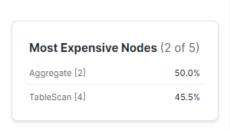


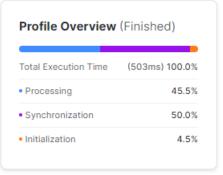
# 8) Top 10 popular routes:

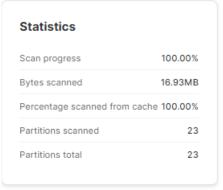
#### **Analysis:**

Based on the amount of rides recorded between the top 10 pairings in the Divvy bike system dataset for 2023, we have compiled a list of the most frequently visited station pairs, as seen in the screenshot below.









## **Visualization:**

The greatest trip count for the same station pair (Streeter Dr & Grand Ave) indicates that the most popular bike-sharing routes exhibit a considerable predilection for short-distance rides between neighboring stations. DuSable Lake Shore Dr & Monroe St - The proximity of DuSable Lake Shore Dr & Monroe St suggests that there is a need for round-trip travel. This emphasizes how important station proximity is to user behavior and travel patterns.



# 9) Top 10 popular station:

#### **Analysis:**

We have examined the most popular stations in the Divvy bike system dataset for 2023, presenting the top 10 stations by number of trips started or completed at those locations.

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#### Visualization:

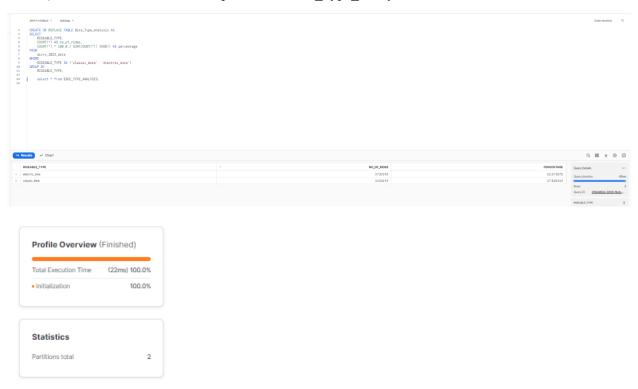
The top bike-sharing stations, led by Streeter Dr & Grand Ave with 85,737 trips, indicate strategic placement in popular areas, fostering high demand for services. DuSable Lake Shore Dr & Monroe St and Michigan Ave & Oak St follow closely, highlighting their pivotal roles in facilitating numerous trips for users.



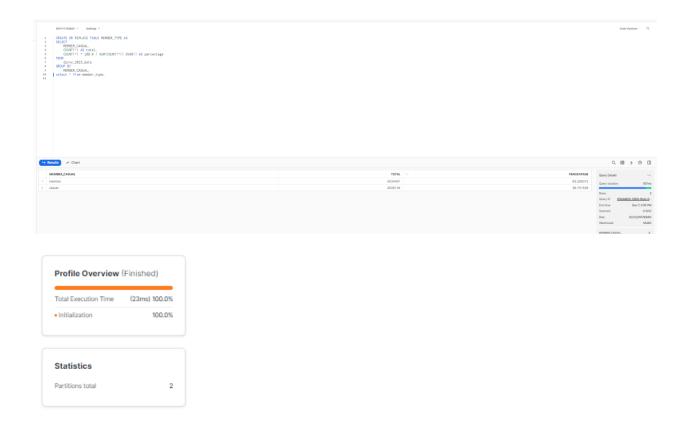
# 10) Analysis and Visualization: Understanding Bike and Member Types in Divvy 2023 Data

# **Analysis:**

a) 'RIDEABLE\_TYPE' (classic or electric bike), 'no\_of\_rides' (count of rides for each type), and 'percentage' (the percentage of rides each bike type contributes to the total rides in the 'divvy\_2023\_data' dataset) are the columns that make up the final 'Bike Type Analysis' table.



b)The resulting 'MEMBER\_TYPE' table will likely contain columns for 'MEMBER\_CASUAL' (membership status), 'total' (the count of occurrences for each status), and 'percentage' (the percentage of each membership status in the 'divvy\_2023\_data' dataset). This table offers insights into the distribution of membership statuses within the dataset, showcasing the counts and percentages for different types of members ('member' or 'casual').

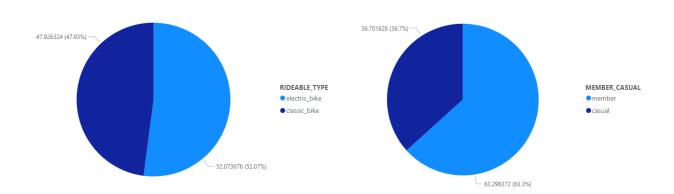


# Visualization:

- 1) The first pie chart shows the distribution of bike types on Divvy and shows that electric bikes are preferred (52.07%), but traditional bikes account for a sizable portion (47.93%). The prevalence of electric bikes points to a rising need for high-tech solutions, which makes fleet expansion a viable choice. Maintaining and promoting vintage bikes while also accommodating a wide range of user preferences is essential to the Divvy bike-sharing system.
- 2) The Divvy bike-sharing ridership is displayed in the first pie chart, where 63.30% of riders are members and 36.70% are casual users. This graphic representation recognizes a significant percentage of one-time riders while highlighting the robust presence of subscribers. The conclusions reached open the door to focused tactics that prioritize member retention and improve the user experience for occasional users. Informed decision-making is facilitated by this representation, which helps to maximize Divvy's bike-sharing offerings.



#### PERCENTAGE by MEMBER CASUAL



# **Future Recommendations**

#### **Expanding Service:**

- 1. Boost the number of stations in high-demand locations, transportation hubs, and underdeveloped areas.
- 2. Create stations exclusively for e-bikes to meet the growing demand for these vehicles.
- 3. Investigate micro-mobility choices by including dockless bikes and e-scooters.

#### Data-driven Optimization

- 4. Utilize machine learning to forecast demand, locate stations, and distribute resources.
- 5. Survey users to learn more about their preferences and expectations.
- 6. Keep an eye on use trends and conduct ongoing analysis to adjust tactics and remain sensitive to user requirements.

#### Conclusion

In summary, Snowflake's powerful big data capabilities have shown to be an invaluable resource for the Divvy Bike System, driving it toward increased sustainability and efficiency. By leveraging Snowflake's cloud-based data platform, Divvy has effectively leveraged big data to extract useful insights and improve its offerings. Divvy has benefited greatly from the platform's ability to handle enormous datasets and offer real-time analytics in a number of important areas. It has made it possible for the system to fully comprehend user behavior, which has made it possible to analyze journey patterns, identify well-liked stations and routes, and forecast variations in demand. This has therefore made it easier to strategically site stations and allocate resources more effectively.

Furthermore, the partnership has enabled Divvy to actively promote sustainability. Through Snowflake's capabilities, Divvy can track the environmental impact of its system, measure carbon footprint reduction, and devise initiatives to encourage sustainable transportation choices among users. The successful collaboration between Snowflake and Divvy underscores the transformative potential of cloud-based data platforms in optimizing public services and fostering sustainable development. In this case, the fusion of Snowflake's cutting-edge technology with Divvy's commitment to innovation has resulted in a transportation system that not only meets the evolving needs of Chicago residents but also sets a precedent

for the broader integration of big data in public services. Additionally, Snowflake has improved user experience by enabling Divvy to customize suggestions, anticipate wait times, and optimize routes according to user preferences, all of which contribute to a more customized and user-friendly service. Snowflake's real-time data insights are increasingly essential for making data-driven, well-informed decisions. To provide a flexible and responsive transportation system, Divvy can effectively distribute resources, improve pricing tactics, and respond quickly to developing trends.

Additionally, Divvy is now able to aggressively promote sustainability thanks to the agreement. With the help of Snowflake, Divvy is able to monitor the environmental effect of its system, calculate the reduction of carbon footprints, and create campaigns to motivate users to choose environmentally friendly modes of transportation. The fruitful partnership between Divvy and Snowflake highlights how revolutionary cloud-based data platforms can be for promoting sustainable growth and streamlining public services. In this instance, Divvy's dedication to innovation and Snowflake's state-of-the-art technology have combined to create a transportation system that not only fulfills the changing demands of Chicagoans but also establishes a standard for the wider integration of big data in public services.

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