

◆ Assignment 1: Permanent Table

Goal: Test persistence, Time Travel & recovery

Tasks:

1. Create a permanent table EMP_PERM
2. Insert minimum 5 records
3. Logout and login again
4. Verify data persists
5. Delete 2 records
6. Query deleted data using **Time Travel**
7. Restore deleted data
8. Drop the table
9. Recover using UNDROP TABLE

*A **Permanent Table** is the **default table type in Snowflake** that **stores data permanently** until it is explicitly dropped.*

1. Create a permanent table EMP_PERM

```
167
168 CREATE OR REPLACE TABLE EMP_PERM (
169     EMP_ID INT,
170     EMP_NAME STRING,
171     DEPT STRING,
172     SALARY NUMBER(10,2)
173 );
174
```

results (just now)

Table	Chart
1	Table EMP_PERM successfully created.

2. Insert minimum 5 records

```
174
175 INSERT INTO EMP_PERM VALUES
176 (1, 'Ravi', 'IT', 50000),
177 (2, 'Sita', 'HR', 45000),
178 (3, 'Arjun', 'FIN', 60000),
179 (4, 'Neha', 'IT', 55000),
180 (5, 'Kiran', 'SALES', 48000);
181
```

results (just now)

Table	Chart
1	number of rows inserted

Logout and login again

4. Verify data persists

```
182 | select * from emp_perm
183 |
```

Results (just now)

Table Chart 5 rows 1.2s

#	EMP_ID	EMP_NAME	DEPT	SALARY
1	1	Ravi	IT	50000.00
2	2	Sita	HR	45000.00
3	3	Arjun	FIN	60000.00
4	4	Neha	IT	55000.00
5	5	Kiran	SALES	48000.00

5. Delete 2 records

```
184 | delete from emp_perm
185 | where dept = 'IT';
186 |
```

Results (just now)

Table Chart 1 row 1.3s

#	number of rows deleted
1	2

Results (just now)

Table Chart 3 rows 274ms

#	EMP_ID	EMP_NAME	DEPT	SALARY
1	2	Sita	HR	45000.00
2	3	Arjun	FIN	60000.00
3	5	Kiran	SALES	48000.00

6. Query deleted data using Time Travel

After deleting records from a permanent table, you can query the previous version of the data using Time Travel.

```
207 |
208 | SELECT *
209 | FROM EMP_PERM
210 | AT (OFFSET => -60);
211 |
```

Results (just now)

Table Chart 5 rows 864ms

#	EMP_ID	EMP_NAME	DEPT	SALARY
1	1	Ravi	IT	50000.00
2	2	Sita	HR	45000.00
3	3	Arjun	FIN	60000.00
4	4	Neha	IT	55000.00
5	5	Kiran	SALES	48000.00

- ◆ This returns the table data **as it was 60 seconds ago**, before the DELETE operation.

7. Restore deleted data

```
212 INSERT INTO EMP_PERM
213 SELECT *
214 FROM EMP_PERM
215 AT (OFFSET => -60);
216
```

Results (just now)

Table Chart

13 rows 126ms

# EMP_ID	EMP_NAME	DEPT	SALARY
1	Arjun	IT	45000
2	Kiran	FIN	55000.00
3	Arjun	FIN	60000.00
4	Neha	IT	55000.00
5	Kiran	SALES	48000.00
6	Arjun	FIN	60000.00
7	Neha	IT	55000.00
8	Kiran	SALES	48000.00
9	Ravi	IT	50000.00
10	Sita	HR	45000.00
11	Arjun	FIN	60000.00
12	Neha	IT	55000.00
13	Kiran	SALES	48000.00

8. Drop the table

```
196 DROP TABLE EMP_PERM;
197
198
```

Results (just now)

Table Chart

1 row 76ms

status
1 EMP_PERM successfully dropped.

9. Recover using UNDROP TABLE

```
196 UNDROP TABLE EMP_PERM;
197
```

Results (just now)

Table Chart

1 row 121ms

status
1 Table EMP_PERM successfully restored.

◆ Assignment 2: Temporary Table

Goal: Test session-based background cleanup

Tasks:

1. Create temporary table EMP_TEMP
2. Insert records
3. Query data successfully

4. End the session
5. Reconnect and query the table

Learning Outcome:

- ✓ Table automatically removed after session ends
- ✓ No Time Travel or Fail-safe

A *Temporary Table* is a table that *exists only for the current session*. Once the session ends (logout / worksheet closed), the table is *automatically dropped*.

1. Create temporary table EMP_TEMP

```
171 create or replace temporary table emp_temp(emp_id int,emp_name varchar);
172
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Table Chart 1 row 402ms

status

1 Table EMP_TEMP successfully created.

2. Insert records

```
174 insert into emp_temp values(1,'ramesh'),(2,'ram'),(3,'pream');
175
176
```

Results (just now)

Table Chart 1 row 1.2s

number of rows inserted

1 3

3. Query data successfully

```
176 select * from emp_temp;
177
```

Results (just now)

Table Chart 3 rows 988ms

# EMP_ID	EMP_NAME
1	ramesh
2	ram
3	pream

4. End the session

Close the worksheet
Logout from Snowflake

5. Reconnect and query the table

```
270
271 USE WAREHOUSE MY_WH;
272 USE DATABASE MY_DB;
273 USE SCHEMA MY_SCHEMA;
274
275 SELECT *
276 FROM EMP_TEMP;
277
```

Results (just now)

Table Chart 3 rows 81ms

#	EMP_ID	EMP_NAME
1	1	ramesh
2	2	ram
3	3	pream

◆ Assignment 3: Transient Table

Goal: Test limited retention behavior

Tasks:

1. Create transient table EMP_TRANS

```
279 CREATE TRANSIENT TABLE EMP_TRANSIENT (
280   ID INT,
281   NAME STRING
282 );
283
284
```

Results (just now)

Table Chart 1 row 478ms

#	status
1	Table EMP_TRANSIENT successfully created.

2. Insert records

```
283
284 INSERT INTO EMP_TRANSIENT VALUES (1, 'Ravi'), (2, 'Anita'), (3, 'Kumar');
285
286
```

Results (just now)

Table Chart 1 row 4.9s

#	number of rows inserted
1	3

3. Delete records

```
286
287 delete from EMP_TRANSIENT where name = 'Ravi';
288
```

Results (just now)

Table Chart 1 row 234ms

#	number of rows deleted
1	1

4. Query data using Time Travel (within retention)

```
290 SELECT *
291 FROM EMP_TRANSIENT
292 AT (OFFSET => '-60');
293
```

Results (just now)

	# EMP_ID	EMP_NAME	# SALARY	DEPT
1	1	Ravi	65000	HR
2	2	Anita	72000	IT
3	3	Kumar	95000	HR
4	4	Sita	82000	IT
5	1	Ravi	65000	HR
6	2	Anita	72000	IT
7	3	Kumar	95000	HR
8	4	Sita	82000	IT

5. Drop the table

```
292
293 drop table EMP_TRANSIENT;
294
```

Results (just now)

	status
1	EMP_TRANSIENT successfully dropped.

6. Attempt recovery after retention period

Learning Outcome:

- ✓ Limited Time Travel
- ✓ No Fail-safe
- ✓ Faster background purge

◆ Assignment 4: CTAS (Create Table As Select)

Goal: Test background data transformation

Tasks:

1. Create table EMP_HIGH_SALARY using CTAS

```
306 CREATE TABLE EMP_HIGH_SALARY AS
307 SELECT *
308 FROM EMP_TRANSIENT
```

Results (3 minutes ago)

	status
1	Table EMP_HIGH_SALARY successfully created.

CLONE = fast, shares storage
CTAS = slow, copies all data

◆ Assignment 5: Table Cloning

Goal: Test zero-copy cloning

Tasks:

1. Clone EMP_PERM as EMP_CLONE

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CREATE or replace TABLE EMP_CLONE

CLONE EMP_PERM;

Results (just now)

Table

Chart

1 row

546ms

status

Table EMP_CLONE successfully created.

2. Update data in cloned table

357

358

359

UPDATE EMP_CLONE

SET SALARY = SALARY + 5000

Results (just now)

Table

Chart

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1 row

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1.7s

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id	# number of rows updated	# number of multi-joined rows updated
1	6	0

3. Compare original vs clone

4. Explain storage behavior

◆ Assignment 6: Time Travel Testing

Goal: Test point-in-time recovery

Tasks:

1. Perform DELETE on any table

359 `DELETE FROM EMP_TRANSIENT`

Results (just now)

Table Chart 0 rows 116ms

EMP_ID	EMP_NAME	SALARY	DEPT
Query produced no results			

2. Query using:
 - AT OFFSET

361 `SELECT *`
362 `FROM EMP_TRANSIENT`
363 `AT (OFFSET => -300);`

Results (just now)

Table Chart 4 rows 396ms

#	EMP_ID	EMP_NAME	SALARY	DEPT
1	1	Ravi	65000	HR
2	2	Anita	72000	IT
3	3	Kumar	95000	HR
4	4	Sita	82000	IT

- AT TIMESTAMP Exactly when did it happen?

383 `SELECT *`
384 `FROM emp_transient`
385 `AT (TIMESTAMP => '2025-12-18 00:00:00');`

Results (just now)

Table Chart 0 rows 63ms

EMP_ID	EMP_NAME	SALARY	DEPT
Query produced no results			

I changed the time:

```
SELECT *
FROM emp_transient
AT (TIMESTAMP => '2025-12-18 11:00:00');
```

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Future data is not yet available for table EMP_TRANSIENT.

3. Restore deleted data

Using OFFSET

```
387
388
389 INSERT INTO emp_transient
390 SELECT *
391 FROM emp_transient
392 AT (OFFSET => -300);
393
```

Results (just now)

Table Chart

1 row 2.0s

#	number of rows inserted
1	4

◆ Assignment 7: Drop & Purge Behavior

Goal: Compare cleanup rules

Purge Behavior - deleted forever

Tasks:

1. Drop Permanent table and recover it

```

399 DROP TABLE emp_perm;
400

```

Results (just now)	
Table	Chart
status	
1	EMP_PERM successfully dropped.

Recover it

```

401 UNDROP TABLE emp_perm;
402

```

Results (just now)	
Table	Chart
status	
1	Table EMP_PERM successfully restored.

2. Drop Transient table and attempt recovery

```

403 DROP TABLE emp_transient;
404
405

```

Results (just now)	
Table	Chart
status	
1	EMP_TRANSIENT successfully dropped.

Attempt recovery

```

406 UNDROP TABLE emp_transient;
407
408

```

Results (just now)	
Table	Chart
status	
1	Table EMP_TRANSIENT successfully restored.

3. Drop Temporary table and verify immediate removal

```

406 DROP TABLE EMP_TEMP;
407
408

```

Results (just now)	
Table	Chart
status	
1	EMP_TEMP successfully dropped.

.....**Verify immediate removal :**

By using another session [_id .it](#) didn't work.

Old session_id

```
420
421 | select current_session();
422
423
```

Results (just now)	
Table	Chart
1 row 23ms	
1	56228462721

New session_id:

```
1 | select current_session();
2 | USE DATABASE MY_DB;
3 | USE SCHEMA MY_DB.MY_SCHEMA;
4 |
5 | UNDROP TABLE EMP_TEMP;
```

Results (just now)	
Table	Chart
1 row 212ms	
1	56228466693

Final answer:

```
1 | select current_session();
2 | USE DATABASE MY_DB;
3 | USE SCHEMA MY_DB.MY_SCHEMA;
4 |
5 | UNDROP TABLE EMP_TEMP;
```

Results (just now)	
0 rows 34ms	

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Table EMP_TEMP did not exist or was purged.

Assignment 9: Dynamic Tables

Goal: Test automated background refresh

A Dynamic Table is a table that automatically updates itself when the source data changes.

1. Create a source table SALES_RAW

```

409
410 CREATE TABLE sales_raw (
411     sale_id INT,
412     region STRING,
413     amount NUMBER
414 );

```

Results (just now)

Table Chart 1 row 206ms

	status
1	Table SALES_RAW successfully created.

2. Insert sample sales data

```

416 INSERT INTO sales_raw VALUES
417 (1, 'North', 1000),
418 (2, 'South', 1500),
419 (3, 'North', 500);
420

```

Results (just now)

Table Chart 1 row 1.9s

	# number of rows inserted
1	3

3. Create a **Dynamic Table** SALES_AGG_DT

- Aggregate total sales by region

Target_lag means *how long the dynamic table can wait before updating.*

```

421 CREATE OR REPLACE DYNAMIC TABLE sales_agg_dt
422     TARGET_LAG = '1 minute'
423     WAREHOUSE = compute_wh
424     AS
425     SELECT region, SUM(amount) AS total_sales
426     FROM sales_raw
427     GROUP BY region;

```

Results (just now)

Table Chart 1 row 1.4s

	status
1	Dynamic table SALES_AGG_DT successfully created.

4. Set refresh lag (e.g., 1 minute)

Refresh lag is the waiting time before updated data shows in a table.

5. Insert new data into SALES_RAW

428
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430
431

INSERT INTO sales_raw VALUES
(4, 'South', 2000);

Results (just now)

Table Chart

1 row 1.8s

number of rows inserted

1	1
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6. Observe automatic refresh

431
432
433

SELECT * FROM sales_agg_dt;

Results (just now)

Table Chart

2 rows 126ms

	REGION	TOTAL_SALES
1	North	1500
2	South	3500