

◆ 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

status

1 Table EMP_PERM successfully created.

2. Insert minimum 5 records

```
1/4
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) X

|                                      | Table                   | Chart |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------|
| <span style="color: green;">#</span> | number of rows inserted |       |
| 1                                    |                         |       |

Q  1 row  2.3s  ↴ ⏪
```

Logout and login again

4. Verify data persists

182	select * from emp_perm			
183				
Results (just now)				
Table	Chart			
00	# 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 |
sults (just now) < x
Table Chart Q 1s 1 row 1.3s ↴ ⏪ ⏩
1 | # number of rows deleted
1 | 2
```

Results (just now) x

Table	Chart	Employee Data			
#	EMP_ID	EMP_NAME	DEPT	SALARY	Actions
1	2	Sita	HR	45000.00	View Edit Delete
2	3	Arjun	FIN	60000.00	View Edit Delete
3	5	Kiran	SALES	48000.00	View Edit Delete

6. Query deleted data using Time Travel

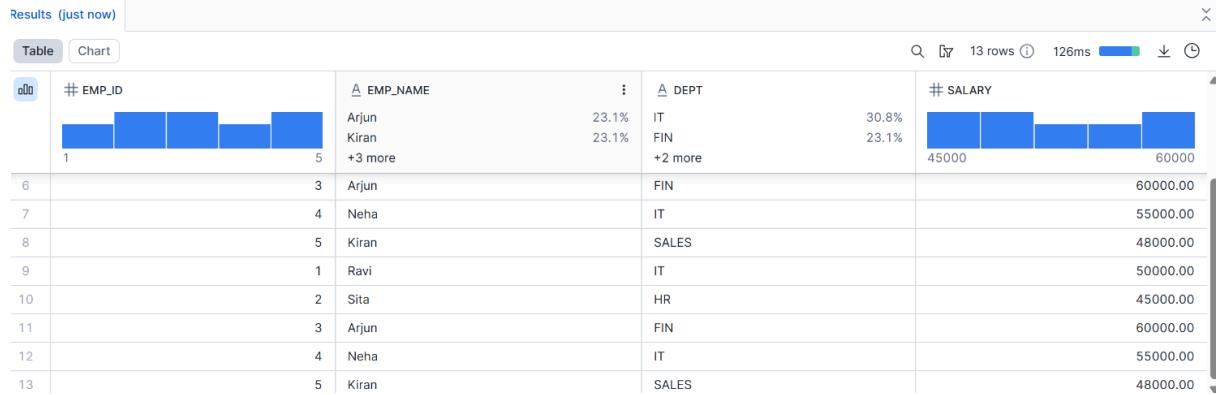
After deleting records from a permanent table, you can query the previous version of the data using Time Travel.

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

- ◆ 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
```



8. Drop the table

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



9. Recover using UNDROP TABLE

```
196     UNDROP TABLE EMP_PERM;  
197  
198
```



◆ 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

```
L/1
L72     create or replace temporary table emp_temp(emp_id int,emp_name varchar);
L73
ust nov 1 ... x
```

Table Chart

status

1 Table EMP_TEMP successfully created.

2. Insert records

```
L/1
L74     insert into emp_temp values(1,'ramesh'),(2,'ram'),(3,'pream');
L75
L76
```

Results (just now)

Table Chart

number of rows inserted

1 3

3. Query data successfully

```
L76     select * from emp_temp;
L77
```

Results (just now)

Table Chart

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

Results (just now)		
	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)		
	status	
1	Table EMP_TRANSIENT successfully created.	

2. Insert records

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

Results (just now)		
	number of rows inserted	
1	3	

3. Delete records

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

Results (just now)		
	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)  

Table Chart   8 rows  59ms  

#	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)  

Table Chart   1 row  123ms  

status
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 |  
307 | CREATE TABLE EMP_HIGH_SALARY AS  
308 | SELECT *  
|   FROM EMP_TRANSIENT  
|
```

Results (3 minutes ago)  

Table Chart   1 row  2.8s  

status
Table EMP_HIGH_SALARY successfully created.

2. Filter salary > 70,000

```
331
332     SELECT *
333     FROM EMP_TRANSIENT
334     WHERE SALARY > 70000.;|_
335
```

Results (just now) Table Chart

Q ⚡ 3 rows ⓘ 73ms ⚡ ⏴

#	EMP_ID	EMP_NAME	SALARY
1	2	Anita	72000
2	3	Kumar	95000
3	4	Sita	82000

3. Add calculated column SALARY_GRADE

```
335 alter table emp_transient add column salary_grand int;
336
337
(just now) ... x
```

Table Chart

status

1 Statement executed successfully.

Results (just now)

Employee Data					Actions
	EMP_ID	EMP_NAME	SALARY	SALARY_GRAND	
1	1	Ravi	65000	65000	Edit
2	2	Anita	72000	72000	Edit
3	3	Kumar	95000	95000	Edit
4	4	Sita	82000	82000	Edit

4. Drop source table

```
336 | drop table emp_transient;
337 |
Results (just now) X
Table Chart 🔍 ⏪ 1 row ⓘ 91ms ⚡ ↴ ↵

|   | A status                            | ⋮ |
|---|-------------------------------------|---|
| 1 | EMP_TRANSIENT successfully dropped. | ⋮ |


```

5. Verify CTAS table still exists

Learning Outcome:

- ✓ Independent table creation
 - ✓ Background transformation execution

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

```
354  
355     CREATE or replace TABLE EMP_CLONE  
356     CLONE EMP_PERM;  
357  
Results (just now) ×  
Table Chart Q 1 row 546ms ↴  
0 status  
1 Table EMP_CLONE successfully created.
```

2. Update data in cloned table

```
357  
358     UPDATE EMP_CLONE  
359     SET SALARY = SALARY + 5000  
Results (just now) ×  
Table Chart Q 1 row 1.7s ↴  
0 # 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)  
🔍 ⏷ 0 rows ⓘ 116ms ⚡ ⏴ ⏵

| EMP_ID | EMP_NAME | SALARY | DEPT |
|--------|----------|--------|------|
|        |          |        |      |



Query produced no results


```

2. Query using:

- AT OFFSET

```
361
362    SELECT *
363      FROM EMP_TRANSIENT
364     AT (OFFSET => -300);
Results (just now)  
🔍 ⏷ 4 rows ⓘ 396ms ⚡ ⏴ ⏵

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


```

- AT TIMESTAMP_ Exactly when did it happen?

```
385
384    SELECT *
385      FROM emp_transient
386     AT (TIMESTAMP => '2025-12-18 00:00:00');
Results (just now)  
🔍 ⏷ 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');
```



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
0	# number of rows inserted
1	

◆ 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 |
401 |
402 |
Results (just now) ×
Table Chart 🔍 ⏪ 1 row ⓘ 163ms ⚡ ⏴ ⏵ ⏴ ⏵

| id | A status                       |
|----|--------------------------------|
| 1  | EMP_PERM successfully dropped. |


```

Recover it

```

400 |
401 | UNDROP TABLE emp_perm;
402 |
Results (just now) ×
Table Chart 🔍 ⏪ 1 row ⓘ 66ms ⚡ ⏴ ⏵ ⏴ ⏵

| id | A status                              |
|----|---------------------------------------|
| 1  | Table EMP_PERM successfully restored. |


```

2. Drop Transient table and attempt recovery

```

402 |
403 | DROP TABLE emp_transient;
404 |
405 |
Results (just now) ×
Table Chart 🔍 ⏪ 1 row ⓘ 89ms ⚡ ⏴ ⏵ ⏴ ⏵

| id | A status                            |
|----|-------------------------------------|
| 1  | EMP_TRANSIENT successfully dropped. |


```

Attempt recovery

```

405 | undrop table emp_transient;
Results (just now) ×
Table Chart 🔍 ⏪ 1 row ⓘ 112ms ⚡ ⏴ ⏵ ⏴ ⏵

| id | A status                                   |
|----|--------------------------------------------|
| 1  | Table EMP_TRANSIENT successfully restored. |


```

3. Drop Temporary table and verify immediate removal

```

406 |
407 | DROP TABLE EMP_TEMP;
408 |
Results (just now) ×
Table Chart 🔍 ⏪ 1 row ⓘ 79ms ⚡ ⏴ ⏵ ⏴ ⏵

| id | A 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

00 CURRENT_SESSION()

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

00 CURRENT_SESSION()

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

⚠️ 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
000	A 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
000	## number of rows inserted	
1		3

3. Create a **Dynamic Table** SALES_AGG_DT

- o 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;
428

```

Results (just now)

	Table	Chart
000	A 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

6. Observe automatic refresh

431
432 | SELECT * FROM sales_agg_dt;
433

Results (just now) x

Table Chart Search  2 rows  126ms 

REGION	TOTAL_SALES
North	1500
South	3500