

02_Partitions_Solution

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```
%sh
STATUS="$(service cassandra status)"

if [[ $STATUS == *"is running"* ]]; then
  echo "Cassandra is running"
else
  echo " Cassandra not running .... Starting"
  service cassandra restart > /dev/null 2>&1 &
  echo " Started"
fi
```

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Exercise 2 – Partitions

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In this exercise, you will:

- Experiment with partitions

1. NOTE: Be sure Apache Cassandra™ is running before doing these exercises. You can check by running nodetool on the command line:

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```
%sh
nodetool status
```

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2. Switch to the YooToob keyspace via the USE command:

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```
%cassandra
USE YooToob;
```

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3. Execute the following command to view the metadata for the videos table you created earlier.

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```
DESCRIBE TABLE videos;
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What is the partition key?

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- How many partitions are in this table?

Answers:

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video_id

One for each unique primary key value.

4. Execute the following query to view the partitioner token value for each video id. READY

```
SELECT token(video_id), video_id  
FROM videos;
```

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5. Use the following command to inspect the file named /home/labwork/data-files/videos-by-tag.csv: READY

```
%sh  
cat /home/labwork/data-files/videos-by-tag.csv
```

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6. Switch to the YooToob keyspace. READY

```
USE YooToob;
```

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7. Your mission, should you choose to accept it, is to write a CREATE TABLE statement that will store this data partitioned by tags. With this given data set, there should be two partitions, one for each tag. Call your table videos_by_tag. READY

```
CREATE TABLE videos_by_tag (  
  tag TEXT,  
  video_id UUID,  
  added_date TIMESTAMP,  
  title TEXT,  
  PRIMARY KEY ((tag), video_id)  
);
```

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8. Execute the following COPY command to import the videos-by-tag.csv data.

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```
INSERT INTO videos_by_tag(tag, video_id, added_date, title)
VALUES ('cassandra', 1645ea59-14bd-11e5-a993-8138354b7e31, '2014-01-29', 'Cassandra History');

INSERT INTO videos_by_tag(tag, video_id, added_date, title)
VALUES ('cassandra', 245e8024-14bd-11e5-9743-8238356b7e32, '2012-04-03', 'Cassandra & SSDs');

INSERT INTO videos_by_tag(tag, video_id, added_date, title)
VALUES ('cassandra', 3452f7de-14bd-11e5-855e-8738355b7e3a, '2013-03-17', 'Cassandra Intro');

INSERT INTO videos_by_tag(tag, video_id, added_date, title)
VALUES ('fenago', 4845ed97-14bd-11e5-8a40-8338255b7e33, '2013-10-16', 'Apache Cassandra');

INSERT INTO videos_by_tag(tag, video_id, added_date, title)
VALUES ('fenago', 5645f8bd-14bd-11e5-af1a-8638355b8e3a, '2013-04-16', 'What is Apache Cassandra?')
```

9. Verify CQL imported your data correctly by writing a SELECT * command.

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```
SELECT *
FROM videos_by_tag;
```

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10. Write a SELECT statement to retrieve all rows tagged with cassandra.

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```
SELECT *
FROM videos_by_tag
WHERE tag = 'cassandra';
```

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11. Now, find all videos tagged with fenago (similar to the previous query).

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```
FROM videos_by_tag
WHERE tag = 'fenago';
```

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12. Finally, write a query to retrieve the video having a title of Cassandra Intro.

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```
SELECT *
FROM videos_by_tag
WHERE title = 'Cassandra Intro';
```

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NOTE: Notice your query errors out. Apache Cassandra™ only allows queries on the partition key (and clustering columns shown in the next section). Since `title` is not the partition key, Apache Cassandra™ fails the query. If Apache Cassandra™ allowed querying on non-partition key columns, Apache Cassandra™ would have to scan all partitions on all nodes to produce a result set (which goes against the reason you would use Apache Cassandra™ in the first place).

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