**POSTGRES KEY FEATURES:**

**ZERO COPY CLONE**

**Zero-Copy Cloning** (sometimes called simply "cloning") is a **Snowflake** feature that makes a copy of a database/ database Objects, without duplicating the data it contains. The clone operation takes a snapshot of the source data when the clone is created, and makes this data available to the cloned object. After this point, the clone is independent of the source, so any subsequent changes made to either the source or the clone aren't reflected in the other.

1. Clone PROD to DEV just like a REFRESH
2. Clone a database for a Backup. It's doesn't occupy extra space.
3. We also use CLONE for Time Travel

For example:

* The following [CREATE TABLE](https://docs.snowflake.com/en/sql-reference/sql/create-table.html) command creates a clone of a table as of the date and time represented by the specified timestamp:

*create table restored\_table clone my\_table*   
*at(timestamp => 'Sat, 09 May 2015 01:01:00 +0300'::timestamp\_tz);* 

* The following [CREATE SCHEMA](https://docs.snowflake.com/en/sql-reference/sql/create-schema.html) command creates a clone of a schema and all its objects as they existed 1 hour before the current time:

*create schema restored\_schema clone my\_schema at(offset => -3600);* 

* The following [CREATE DATABASE](https://docs.snowflake.com/en/sql-reference/sql/create-database.html) command creates a clone of a database and all its objects as they existed prior to the completion of the specified statement:

*create database restored\_db clone my\_db*   
*before(statement => '8e5d0ca9-005e-44e6-b858-a8f5b37c5726');*

A clone does not occupy space unless you manipulate it i.e perform DML transactions on the clone such as update, delete, insert etc.

However, the following object types are *not* cloned:

* **External tables**
* **Internal (Snowflake) stages**

*Create or replace table <clone\_table\_name> CLONE <source\_table\_name>;*

**SNOWPIPE**

* It enables loading once a file appears in a bucket automatically.
* If data needs to be available for analysis immediately
* It's a serverless features instead of warehouse meaning the compute resources would be managed by snowflake itself.

STEPS

1. Create a stage for the connection (Storage integration Objection)
2. Test copy command to make sure it works
3. Create pipe as object with COPY COMMAND
4. Setup S3 Notification to trigger snowpipe

// Define pipe

CREATE OR REPLACE pipe MANAGE\_DB.pipes.employee\_pipe

auto\_ingest = TRUE

AS

COPY INTO OUR\_FIRST\_DB.PUBLIC.employees

FROM @MANAGE\_DB.external\_stages.csv\_folder

// Describe pipe

DESC pipe employee\_pipe

SELECT \* FROM OUR\_FIRST\_DB.PUBLIC.employees

**DATA SWAPPING**

This is use mainly for moving development tables into Production.

If we want to take a DEV table or Database, into PROD instead of cloning a DEV table and taking it to PROD, we can just do a table or database Swapping.

you can swap all the content, metadata between two specified tables, including any integrity constraints defined for the tables in one transaction. Also, swap all access control privilege grants.

The two tables are essentially renamed in a single transaction.

things to watch out for:

To rename a table or swap two tables, the role used to perform the operation must have:

* You cannot swap a permanent table with a temporary or transient table
* You must have the ownership [privilege](https://stephenallwright.com/grant-role-user-snowflake/) on the tables you are swapping to run this command
* the CREATE TABLE privilege on the schema for the table.
* Swapping the tables does not update references to those tables in other objects (such as view definitions), so this must be updated to the new names manually

Alter table table\_1 swap with table\_2

Alter table if exists table\_1 swap with table\_2

**Cluster keys**

In Snowflake, a cluster key is a set of columns used to physically organize the data within a table. By defining a cluster key, you can control the way Snowflake distributes and stores the data, which can have a significant impact on query performance.

When you define a cluster key, Snowflake uses the values in the specified columns to group related rows together, and stores those groups of rows together on the same micro-partitions. This can help reduce the number of micro-partitions that need to be scanned when executing a query, which can result in faster query performance.

It's important to note that cluster keys are optional in Snowflake, and not all tables need them. However, if you have a table with a large number of rows and you frequently query it based on certain columns, defining a cluster key can help improve query performance.

It's also worth noting that cluster keys can be modified after a table has been created, but doing so requires rewriting the entire table, so it can be a time-consuming operation. Therefore, it's recommended that you carefully consider your cluster key strategy before creating a table.

**TIME TRAVEL:**

It's a feature in snowflake that we can use to restore data that we have updated or delete by accident.

Using Time Travel, you can perform the following actions within a defined period:

* Query data in the past that has since been updated or deleted.
* Create clones of entire tables, schemas, and databases at or before specific points in the past.
* Restore tables, schemas, and databases that have been dropped.

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**Time Travel SQL Extensions**

To support Time Travel, the following SQL extensions have been implemented:

* AT/BEFORE Clause which can be specified in SELECT statements and CREATE … CLONE commands (immediately after the object name). The clause uses one of the following parameters to pinpoint the exact historical data you wish to access:

To specify the data retention period for Time Travel:

* The DATA\_RETENSTION\_TIME\_IN\_DAYS object parameter can be used by users with the ACCOUNTADMIN role to set the default retention period for your account.

**Dropping Objects**

When a table, schema, or database is dropped, it is not immediately overwritten or removed from the system. Instead, it is retained for the data retention period for the object, during which time the object can be restored. Once dropped objects are moved to Fail-safe, you cannot restore them.

**Restoring Objects**

A dropped object that has not been purged from the system (i.e. the object is displayed in the SHOW *<object\_type>* HISTORY output) can be restored using the following commands:

* UNDROP TABLE
* UNDROP SCHEMA
* UNDROP DATABASE

Calling UNDROP restores the object to its most recent state before the DROP command was issued.

For example:

**UNDROP TABLE <tablename>**

**Undrop schema <schemaname>;**

**undrop database <databasename>**

**FAIL SAFE**

Fail-safe provides a (non-configurable) 7-day period during which historical data may be recoverable by Snowflake.

This period starts immediately after the Time Travel retention period ends.

However, long-running Time Travel query will delay moving any data and objects (tables, schemas, and databases) in the account into Fail-safe, until the query completes.

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**NOTE:**

Fail-safe is a data recovery service that is provided on a best effort basis and is intended only for use when all other recovery options have been attempted.

Fail-safe is *not* provided as a means for accessing historical data after the Time Travel retention period has ended. It is for use *only* by Snowflake to recover data that may have been lost or damaged due to extreme operational failures.

 Data recovery through Fail-safe may take from several hours to several days to complete.

**STORAGE INTEGRATION**

It's used to store the access info and credentials from snowflake to AWS account so we can fetch data from S3 bucket.

HOW TO CONFIGURE INTEGRATION OBJECT

its created with the create command and the storage intergration name,

specify the  storage provider which can be AWS S3 or Azure blob or GCP bucket, specify the type which is the external- stage,

specify the storage location and the AWS IAM Role ARN.

Once created,

Describe the integration object  to get the properties of:

1. User ARN (IAM user ) and the external id and

Use the properties to edit the trust relationship in the aws IAM role, in order to creates a secure relationship/connection btw AWS and Snowflake.

STEPS

1. Create a AWS IAM ROLE with AmazonS3FullAccess privilege.
2. Create the storage integration object

2.1  '<Go to AWS IAM, Roles and get the Role ARN and paste STORAGE\_AWS\_ROLE\_ARN>' under the storage integration code.

1. Run *DESC integration <the integration name>;*

3.1- From the result, get line number 5 " STORAGE\_AWS\_IAM\_USER\_ARN" property\_value to IAM - ROLE, edit TRUST RELATIONSHIP and paste it on "AWS" and line number 7 "STORAGE\_AWS\_EXTERNAL\_ID" property\_value to IAM-ROLE- edit TRUST RELATIONSHIP and paste it on "sts:ExternalId"  To update the "TRUSTED ENTITIES" to established a secured connection.

Things to Note during creation:

* Use ACCOUNTADMIN Role

// Create storage integration object

*create or replace storage integration s3\_int*

*TYPE = EXTERNAL\_STAGE*

*STORAGE\_PROVIDER = S3*

*ENABLED = TRUE*

*STORAGE\_AWS\_ROLE\_ARN = '<Go to AWS IAM, Roles and get the Role ARN and paste it here>'*

*STORAGE\_ALLOWED\_LOCATIONS = ('s3://<your-bucket-name>/<your-path>/', 's3://<your-bucket-name>/<your-path>/')*

*COMMENT = 'This an optional comment'*

*/*/See storage integration properties to fetch external\_id so we can update it in AWS S3.

*DESC integration s3\_int;*

**Ingesting data into Snowflake from PostgreSQL Database**

FIRST, I export data from PostgreSQL to data files,

* upload them to S3 OR any another other cloud storage, then read S3 from Snowflake. Followings are detail steps:

**1 Use “Copy” command to export PostgreSQL tables to csv files.**

COPY <tablename> TO 'C:\tmp\actor.csv'  WITH DELIMITER ',' CSV HEADER;

**2 Upload files to S3**

**3 Read S3 from Snowflake**

So in Snowflake, we’ll create storage integration with S3 first. Refer to [a previous post for details](https://medium.com/@fengliplatform/ingesting-data-into-snowflake-1-snowflake-stage-10a688cd5eed).

Create external stage with location of the uploaded csv files.

create or replace storage integration fengdatafile\_s3\_integration

TYPE = EXTERNAL\_STAGE

STORAGE\_PROVIDER = S3

ENABLED = TRUE

STORAGE\_AWS\_ROLE\_ARN = 'arn:aws:iam::1xxx7:role/Snowflake\_read\_S3'

STORAGE\_ALLOWED\_LOCATIONS = ('s3://fengdatafile/')

COMMENT = 'To access S3 by assuming a role';

desc storage integration fengdatafile\_s3\_integration;

CREATE OR REPLACE stage feng\_database.feng\_schema\_for\_stage.fengdatafile\_s3\_integration\_stage

url='s3://fengdatafile/'

STORAGE\_INTEGRATION = fengdatafile\_s3\_integration;

**Now we can List S3 bucket from Snowflake via Snowflake storage integration as below**

list [@feng\_database](http://twitter.com/feng_database).feng\_schema\_for\_stage.fengdatafile\_s3\_integration\_stage;

Create corresponding postgres tables in Snowflake tables and load csv files data to the tables

COPY INTO feng\_database.feng\_schema.actor

FROM [@feng\_database](http://twitter.com/feng_database).feng\_schema\_for\_stage.fengdatafile\_s3\_integration\_stage

file\_format= (type = csv field\_delimiter=',' skip\_header=1 FIELD\_OPTIONALLY\_ENCLOSED\_BY = '"')

files = ('dvdrental/actor.csv');

select \* from feng\_database.feng\_schema.actor;  You table data if load was successful.

**BULK DATA LOADING (COPY COMMAND)**

Loads data from staged files to an existing table.

The files must already be staged in one of the following locations:

* Named **internal stage** (or table/user stage). Files can be staged using the [PUT](https://docs.snowflake.com/en/sql-reference/sql/put.html) command.
* Named **external stage** that references an external location (Amazon S3, Google Cloud Storage, or Microsoft Azure).

USE-CASE

Loading data from AWS S3 to Snowflake environment.

1. CREATE A STAGE OBJECT
2. CREATE FILE FORMAT
3. CREATE THE INTEGRATION OBJECT
4. LOAD DATA INTO TABLE USING COPY COMMAND

1. CREATE A STAGE OBJECT

CREATE OR REPLACE STAGE MANAGE\_DB.external\_stages.time\_travel\_stage

    URL = 's3://data-snowflake-fundamentals/time-travel/'

    file\_format = MANAGE\_DB.file\_formats.csv\_file;

1. CREATE FILE FORMAT

// Stage and file format

CREATE OR REPLACE FILE FORMAT MANAGE\_DB.file\_formats.csv\_file

    type = csv

    field\_delimiter = ','

    skip\_header = 1;

1. CREATE THE INTEGRATION OBJECT

1. Create a AWS IAM ROLE with AmazonS3FullAccess privilege.
2. Create the storage integration object

2.1  '<Go to AWS IAM, Roles and get the **Role ARN** and paste STORAGE\_AWS\_ROLE\_ARN>' under the storage integration code.

1. Run *DESC integration <the integration name>;*

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**Things to Note during creation:**

* Use ACCOUNTADMIN Role

// Create storage integration object

***create or replace storage integration s3\_int***

***TYPE = EXTERNAL\_STAGE***

***STORAGE\_PROVIDER = S3***

***ENABLED = TRUE***

***STORAGE\_AWS\_ROLE\_ARN = '<Go to AWS IAM, Roles and get the Role ARN and paste it here>'***

***STORAGE\_ALLOWED\_LOCATIONS = ('s3://<your-bucket-name>/<your-path>/', 's3://<your-bucket-name>/<your-path>/')***

***COMMENT = 'This an optional comment'***

1. LOAD DATA INTO TABLE USING COPY COMMAND

LIST  @MANAGE\_DB.external\_stages.time\_travel\_stage;

**// Copy data and insert in table**

COPY INTO CUSTOMER\_DB.public.customers

FROM @MANAGE\_DB.external\_stages.time\_travel\_stage

files = ('customers.csv');

SELECT \* FROM  CUSTOMER\_DB.PUBLIC.CUSTOMERS;

**Sizing virtual WH Appropriately**

Sizing a virtual warehouse appropriately in Snowflake involves determining the correct combination of compute resources (e.g., CPU, memory, storage) to meet your workload requirements while minimizing cost.

Here are some general guidelines for sizing a virtual warehouse in Snowflake:

1. Understand your workload: Before sizing your virtual warehouse, you need to have a good understanding of your workload, including the number of queries, the size of the data being queried, the concurrency level, and the complexity of the queries.

1. Start small and scale up: It's recommended to start with a smaller virtual warehouse and scale up as needed. This allows you to monitor your workload and adjust the size of the virtual warehouse as necessary.

1. Use the Snowflake sizing wizard: Snowflake provides a sizing wizard that can help you estimate the appropriate size for your virtual warehouse based on your workload requirements. The wizard takes into account factors such as query complexity, concurrency, and data size.

1. Consider auto-suspend and auto-resume: Snowflake allows you to configure your virtual warehouse to automatically suspend when it's not in use, and automatically resume when a query is submitted. This can help reduce costs by minimizing the amount of time the virtual warehouse is running.

1. Monitor resource usage: It's important to monitor resource usage to ensure that your virtual warehouse is appropriately sized. Snowflake provides tools for monitoring resource usage, including the Snowflake web interface, the Snowflake query profiler, and third-party monitoring tools.

1. Consider workload isolation: If you have multiple workloads running on the same virtual warehouse, consider using workload isolation features like query tagging and resource monitors to ensure that each workload gets the necessary resources.

By following these guidelines and regularly monitoring your virtual warehouse usage, you can ensure that your virtual warehouse is appropriately sized for your workload while minimizing cost.

**Account-Usage**

In Snowflake, "Account Usage" refers to a set of historical data that provides insight into the usage patterns, resource consumption, and billing information for your Snowflake account. This information can be accessed using the Snowflake Information Schema, which contains various views and table functions that allow you to query and analyze your account's activity.

Account Usage data includes information on:

1. Virtual warehouse usage: Details about the usage of virtual warehouses, such as start and end times, the number of credits consumed, and the warehouse size.
2. Storage usage: Information on the storage consumption of your databases, schemas, and tables, including the total size of data stored and the historical changes in storage consumption.
3. Query history: Details of all queries executed in your Snowflake account, including SQL text, execution time, user, and other relevant metadata.
4. Login history: Information on user login events, including login timestamps, user roles, and IP addresses.
5. Data transfer history: Details of data transferred in and out of your Snowflake account, such as data loaded or unloaded using COPY statements, Snowpipe, or other data ingestion methods.
6. Billing and credit usage: Information about the number of Snowflake credits consumed by your account, broken down by warehouse usage, storage usage, and other features, as well as billing information like invoice amounts and payment details.

To access the Account Usage data, you can query the corresponding views in the "SNOWFLAKE"."ACCOUNT\_USAGE" schema. For example:

* To view the history of virtual warehouse usage, query the WAREHOUSE\_USAGE\_HISTORY view:   
  SELECT \* FROM "SNOWFLAKE"."ACCOUNT\_USAGE"."WAREHOUSE\_USAGE\_HISTORY";
* To view the history of storage usage, query the STORAGE\_USAGE view:   
  SELECT \* FROM "SNOWFLAKE"."ACCOUNT\_USAGE"."STORAGE\_USAGE";
* To view the query history, query the QUERY\_HISTORY view:   
  SELECT \* FROM "SNOWFLAKE"."ACCOUNT\_USAGE"."QUERY\_HISTORY";

Analyzing your Account Usage data in Snowflake can help you better understand your resource consumption, optimize costs, monitor user activity, and identify potential performance improvements within your Snowflake environment.

**Resource Optimization**

Snowflake warehouse size optimization

Snowflake virtual warehouses come in 10 sizes. The larger the warehouse the more credits it consumes per hour of actively running queries.

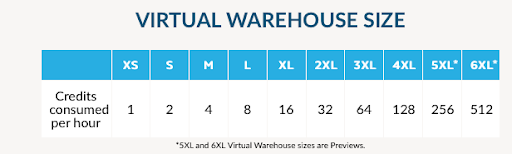


Image from Snowflake [pricing guide](https://www.snowflake.com/pricing-page-registration-page/).

You might assume the best Snowflake cost optimization strategy would be to keep your warehouse as small as possible, but that’s not necessarily true. That’s because the larger data warehouses also run queries faster.

There isn’t a magical formula for how to optimize warehouse size for your typical workloads–it’s a process of trial and error. That being said, there are some Snowflake cost optimization best practices related to rightsizing your warehouse.

Group similar workloads in the same virtual warehouse

Grouping similar workloads is how [Snowflake runs](https://www.snowflake.com/blog/managing-snowflakes-compute-resources/) its own internal instance. It’s an effective strategy because you can tailor configuration settings that impact efficiency without worrying about cutting too deep. These settings include [auto-suspend, auto-resume](https://docs.snowflake.com/en/user-guide/warehouses-overview.html#auto-suspension-and-auto-resumption), [scaling policy, clusters](https://docs.snowflake.com/en/user-guide/warehouses-multicluster.html), and [statement timeout](https://docs.snowflake.com/en/sql-reference/parameters.html#statement-timeout-in-seconds).

For example, the [default Snowflake auto-suspend policy is 600 seconds](https://docs.snowflake.com/en/sql-reference/sql/alter-warehouse.html), but that can be adjusted as low as [60 seconds by running a SQL statement](https://www.nagarro.com/en/blog/reduce-snowflake-cost).

This is a great example of how you can “get too crazy” with Snowflake cost optimization because if you set the auto-suspend more tightly than any gaps in your query workload, the warehouse could end up in a continual state of auto-suspend and auto-resume.

In fact, [Snowflake recommends](https://docs.snowflake.com/en/user-guide/warehouses-considerations.html)considering disabling auto-suspend for a warehouse if there are heavy, steady workloads on the warehouse or you want availability with no lag time.

Essentially, this strategy comes down to making sure you have the right configuration for the right workload.

Workload 
Description 
Data Transformation 
Third-party Data 
nee st-ion 
Tableau 
Alerts, Monitoring.„ 
Console 
Snowflake UI 
Amazon 53 Loader 
Database. Machine 
Leaming. or Python 
Connector 
Workload 
Type 
Loader 
Ad-Hoc 
Ana tyhcs 
App"cations 
Ad-Hoc 
Ana tyhcs 
Loader 
Frequency 
Hourly 
Hourly 
Hourly 
On demand 
Hourly 
Hourly 
Concurrency 
Scan 
500 GB 
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How Snowflake groups their workloads by virtual warehouse, which can help witSnowflake cost optimization efforts.

**Cost Optimization**

Snowflake query optimization

When data is being queried, Snowflake credits are being consumed.

The Snowflake cost optimization trick here is to optimize query code and other settings to enable smoother operations without compromising the integrity of any jobs. You also don’t want to reach the point where [the time your data engineers are optimizing code is more expensive than the jobs themselves](https://dataexpert.medium.com/3-things-all-data-engineers-should-learn-from-google-7a8fe917597a).

Best practices for optimizing Snowflake queries could be an [entirely separate blog](https://www.snowflake.com/blog/how-cisco-optimized-performance-on-snowflake-to-reduce-costs-15-part-2/) and were not getting too crazy, so we will focus our attention here on how to leverage helpful features to identify costly outliers.

We will also assume you have optimized your session timeout, queue, and other warehouse settings discussed in the previous section.

Using query tags

The [QUERY\_TAG](https://docs.snowflake.com/en/sql-reference/parameters.html?_ga=2.122509518.453835373.1649081706-1631747940.1648673536#query-tag) can be used to tag queries and SQL statements executed within a session, oftentimes related to the type of workload.

By leveraging this best practice consistently, your team can more easily spot trends, outliers, and issues with your data pipeline. The challenge, of course, is your team actually has to use it consistently.

Identifying most expensive, deteriorating, and heavy queries

**Querying for Query Cost**

Snowflake Compute is only billed when a query is running, rounded up to the hour. However, if multiple queries are running simultaneously the cost is still only reported for that hour.

We have to combine query execution time, warehouse size, and some other details to get the cost of each query.

An example query which ties together these metrics:

**SET** credit\_price **=** 3.00; 

**SELECT** ( QH.execution\_time **/** (1000 **\*** 3600) ) **\*** WS.credits **\***   
       ($credit\_price )

**AS**   
       relative\_performance\_cost 

**FROM**   query\_history QH 

**JOIN** warehouse\_size WS 

**ON** WS.wh\_size **=** QH.warehouse\_size 

This query pulls from the QUERY\_HISTORY table, part of the ACCOUNT\_USAGE schema in the warehouse. The WAREHOUSE\_SIZE table is a generated table to equate Snowflake credits to warehouse size. Compute is billed per credit, e.g. $3 credit price, and so the cost is based on the amount of credits that are used for a certain warehouse size:

**SELECT** wh\_size, credits

**FROM** ( 

**SELECT** 'XSMALL'  **AS** wh\_size, 1   **AS** credits **UNION** **ALL** 

**SELECT** 'SMALL'   **AS** wh\_size, 2   **AS** credits **UNION** **ALL** 

**SELECT** 'MEDIUM'  **AS** wh\_size, 4   **AS** credits **UNION** **ALL** 

**SELECT** 'LARGE'   **AS** wh\_size, 8   **AS** credits **UNION** **ALL** 

**SELECT** 'XLARGE'  **AS** wh\_size, 16  **AS** credits **UNION** **ALL** 

**SELECT** '2XLARGE' **AS** wh\_size, 32  **AS** credits **UNION** **ALL** 

**SELECT** '3XLARGE' **AS** wh\_size, 64  **AS** credits **UNION** **ALL** 

**SELECT** '4XLARGE' **AS** wh\_size, 128 **AS** credits 

     ) ;

These credits are mapped to warehouse sizes per hour. For example, the XLARGE warehouse consumes 16 credits for a full hour of usage. By combining the EXECUTION\_TIME of each query with the warehouse size it ran on, we can get the cost in dollars of each query.

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Example Snowflake queries ordered by their individual cost in the [console](https://console.vantage.sh/signup).

There are two other details needed to rank Snowfalke queries by cost. Many queries will use the same structure but different values in the WHERE clause, or a different order of columns. In the table above, queries are stripped of their values (values are replaced with $1, $2, etc.) to make grouping easier. This also has the security beneift of not exposing sensitive values to analysts or engineers investigating costs.

**Errors or issues we may encounters during migration**

**During the migration to Snowflake, we might face below challenges**

* **Some common challenges and their solutions are as follows:**

1. **Data type mismatches:**

* **Ensure that PostgreSQL data types are converted to their corresponding Snowflake data types correctly.**
* **Some data types may not have a direct equivalent, so we may need to choose the closest matching data type or modify the data during the migration process.**

1. **Large object (LOB) support:**

* **Snowflake does not support PostgreSQL's Large Object (LOB) types directly. If we have columns with LOB data types, such as BLOB or CLOB, we may need to convert them to a Snowflake-supported data type, like BINARY or STRING.**

1. **Indexes and constraints:**

* **Snowflake does not support all types of indexes and constraints available in PostgreSQL. While migrating, we may need to re-evaluate our indexing strategy or adjust constraints to work within Snowflake's limitations.**

1. **Stored procedures, triggers, and functions:**

* **PostgreSQL's stored procedures, triggers, and functions may not be directly compatible with Snowflake. We may need to rewrite these objects using Snowflake's JavaScript-based stored procedures or user-defined functions.**

1. **Timezone handling differences:**

* **PostgreSQL and Snowflake may handle time zones differently. Make sure to account for these differences when migrating timestamp columns to avoid potential data discrepancies.**

1. **Performance differences:**

* **Query performance may differ between PostgreSQL and Snowflake. After the migration, you might need to optimize your Snowflake environment, such as creating clustering keys, materialized views, or adjusting warehouse sizes.**

1. **Data import errors:**

* **Errors can occur during the data import process, such as incorrect file formats, parsing issues, or data corruption. To handle these errors, configure the ON\_ERROR option in the COPY INTO statement, and review the error logs for any issues.**

1. **Data inconsistency:**

* **After migration, data inconsistencies may arise due to errors in data extraction, transformation, or loading. Validate the migrated data by comparing row counts, data types, and data values between PostgreSQL and Snowflake.**

1. **Security and access control differences:**

* **PostgreSQL and Snowflake have different access control mechanisms. You will need to recreate your access control policies, roles, and permissions in Snowflake to ensure the appropriate level of data security.**

**Action:**

To achieve our goal, we will follow these steps:

1. Identify the different layers of data required for reporting, data science, and analytics. For example, we might need a raw data layer, a cleaned data layer, a transformed data layer, and a final reporting layer.

2. Define the schema and structure for each layer of data. We will need to consider the data types, relationships, and other constraints that are relevant for each layer.

3. Implement the schema for each layer of data in Snowflake. This will involve creating tables, views, and other database objects as needed.

4. Load the data into each layer. We will need to use Snowflake's data loading capabilities to move the data from our source systems into the appropriate layers.

5. Define the appropriate access controls and permissions for each layer of data. This will ensure that only authorized users can access the data in each layer.

6. Develop the necessary reports, data science models, and analytics dashboards on top of the data layers. We will use Snowflake's SQL querying capabilities and other tools to build these objects.

7. Test and validate the data layers and reporting/analytics objects to ensure that they are functioning correctly and meeting our requirements.

Result:

By following these steps,

As a result, we will have successfully leveraged Snowflake to create a multi-layered data architecture that enables efficient data access, processing, and analysis. This will allow our company to make better-informed decisions based on timely and accurate data.