



# HANDS-ON LAB GUIDE FOR IN PERSON ZERO-TO- SNOWFLAKE

To be used with the Snowflake free 30-day trial at:

<https://trial.snowflake.com>

- Register for the trial 24+ hours prior to lab in case of activation delays
- Works for any Snowflake edition or cloud provider
- Approximate duration: 90 minutes. Approximately 7 credits used.

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# Lab Overview

This entry-level lab introduces you to the user interface and basic capabilities of Snowflake, and is designed specifically for use with the Snowflake, free 30-day trial at <https://trial.snowflake.com>. When done with the lab you should be ready to load your own data into Snowflake and learn its more advanced capabilities.

## Target Audience

Database and Data Warehouse Administrators and Architects

## What you'll learn

The exercises in this lab will walk you through the steps to:

- Create stages, databases, tables, views, and warehouses
- Load structured and semi-structured data
- Query data including joins between tables
- Clone objects
- Undo user errors
- Create roles and users, and grant them privileges
- Securely and easily share data with other accounts

## Prerequisites

- Use of the Snowflake free 30-day trial environment
- Basic knowledge of SQL, and database concepts and objects
- Familiarity with CSV comma-delimited files and JSON semi-structured data

# Module 1: Prepare Your Lab Environment

## 1.1 Steps to Prepare Your Lab Environment

1.1.1 If not yet done, register for a Snowflake free 30-day trial at <https://trial.snowflake.com>

- The Snowflake edition (Standard, Enterprise, e.g.), cloud provider (AWS, Azure, e.g.), and Region (US East, EU, e.g.) do \*not\* matter for this lab. But we suggest you select the region which is physically closest to you. And select the Enterprise edition so you can leverage some advanced capabilities that are not available in lower Editions.
- After registering, you will receive an email with an activation link and your Snowflake account URL. Bookmark this URL for easy, future access. After activation, you will create a user name and password. Write down these credentials.

1.1.2 Resize your browser windows so you can view this lab guide PDF and your web browser side-by-side to more easily follow the lab instructions. If possible, even better is to use a secondary display dedicated to the lab guide.

1.1.3 Click on [https://s3.amazonaws.com/snowflake-workshop-lab/lab\\_scripts\\_InpersonZTS.sql](https://s3.amazonaws.com/snowflake-workshop-lab/lab_scripts_InpersonZTS.sql) and download the “lab\_scripts\_InpersonZTS.sql” file to your local machine. This file contains pre-written SQL commands and we will use this file later in the lab.

## Module 2: The Snowflake User Interface & Lab “Story”



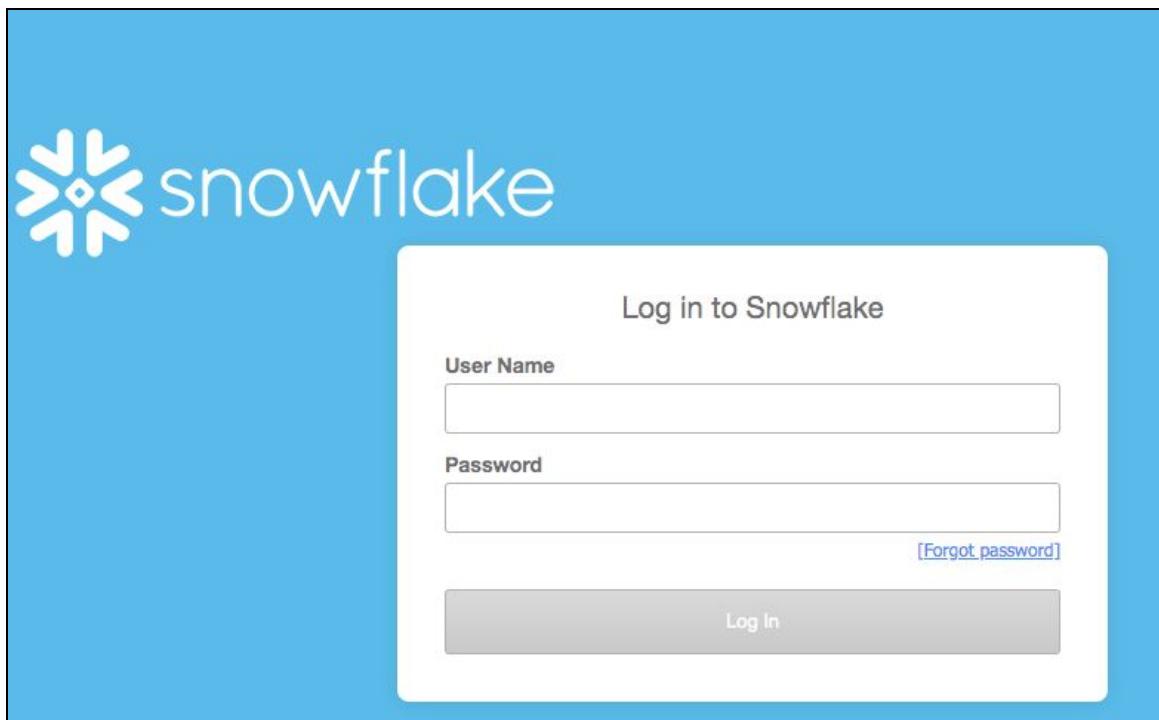
### About the screen captures, sample code, and environment

Screen captures in this lab depict examples and results that may slightly vary from what you may see when you complete the exercises.

### 2.1 Logging Into the Snowflake User Interface (UI)

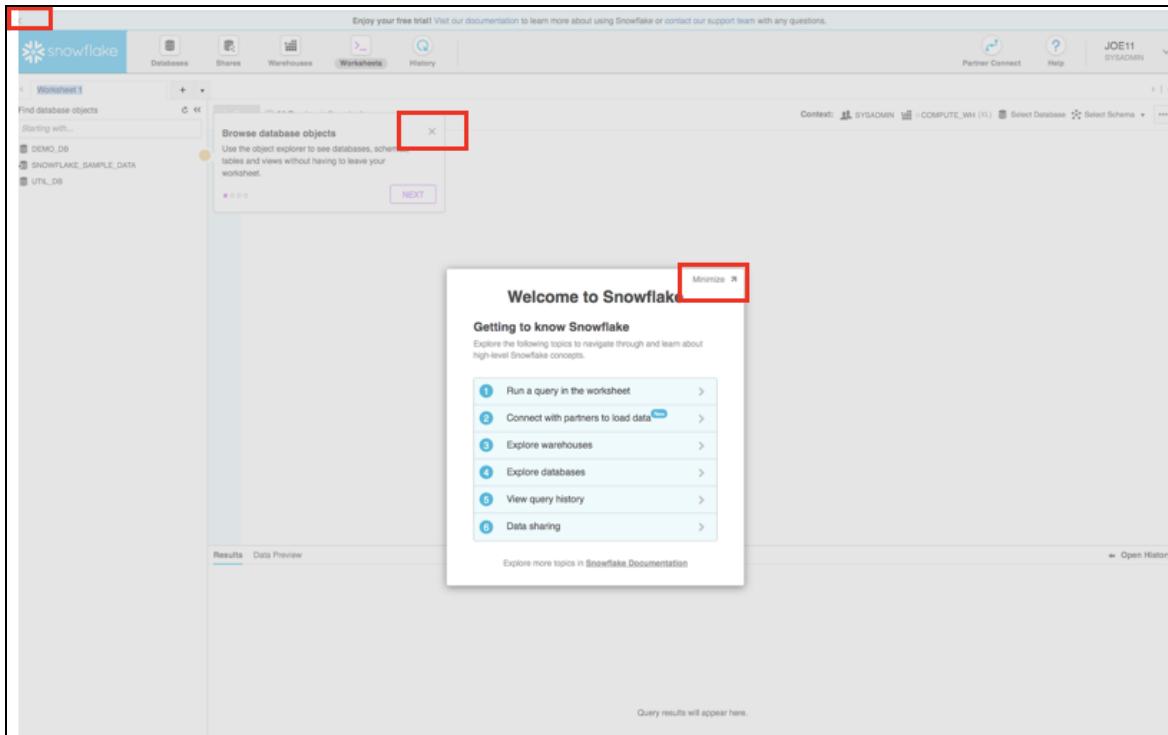
2.1.1 Open a browser window and enter the URL of your the Snowflake 30-day trial environment.

2.1.2 You should see the login screen below. Enter your unique credentials to log in.



### 2.2 Close any Welcome Boxes and Tutorials

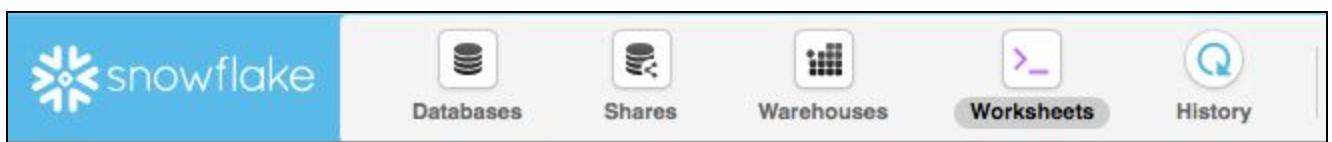
2.2.1 You may see “welcome” and “helper” boxes in the UI when you log in for the first time. Also a “Enjoy your free trial...” ribbon at the top of the UI. Minimize and close them by clicking on the items in the red boxes on screenshot below.



## 2.3 Navigating the Snowflake UI

First let's get you acquainted with Snowflake! This section covers the basic components of the user interface to help you orient yourself. We will move left to right in the top of the UI.

2.3.1 The top menu allows you to switch between the different areas of Snowflake:



2.3.2 The **Databases** tab shows information about the databases you have created or have privileges to access. You can create, clone, drop, or transfer ownership of databases as well as load data (limited) in the UI. Notice several databases already exist in your environment. However, we will not be using these in this lab.

Database	Origin	Creation Time	Owner	Comment
SNOWFLAKE_SAMPLE_DATA	SFC_SAMPLES.SA...	6/27/19 11:52:44 PM	ACCOUNTADMIN	TPC-H, OpenWeatherMap, etc
DEMO_DB		6/27/19 11:52:42 PM	SYSADMIN	demo database
UTIL_DB		6/27/19 11:52:30 PM	SYSADMIN	utility database

2.3.3 The **Shares** tab is where data sharing can be configured to easily and securely share Snowflake table(s) among separate Snowflake accounts or external users, without having to create a second copy of the table data. At the end of this lab is a module on data sharing.

2.3.4 The **Warehouses** tab is where you set up and manage compute resources (virtual warehouses) to load or query data in Snowflake. Note a warehouse called “COMPUTE\_WH (XL)” already exists in your environment.

Status	Warehouse Name	Size	Run...	Que...	Auto Suspend	Auto Resume	Created On	Resumed On	Owner
Suspended	COMPUTE_WH	X-Large	0	0	10 minutes	Yes	6/28/19 12:00:24 AM	6/28/19 12:00:24 AM	SYSADMIN

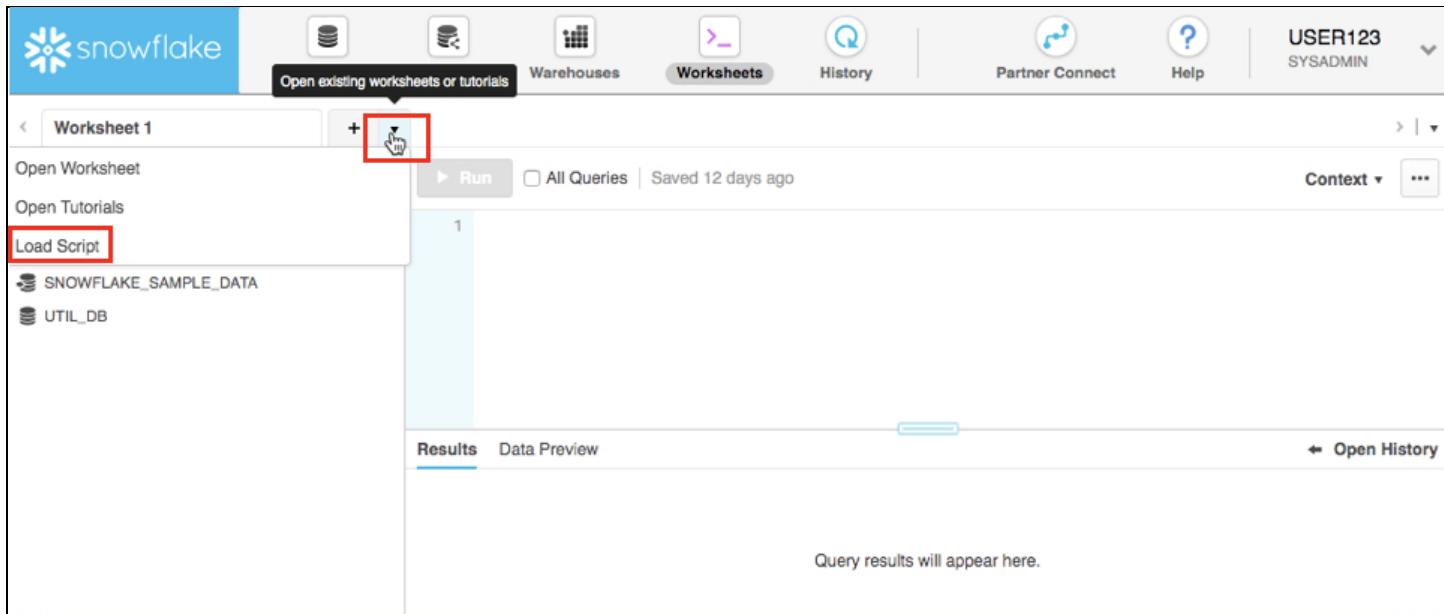
2.3.5 The **Worksheets** tab provides an interface for submitting SQL queries, performing DDL and DML operations and viewing results as your queries/operations complete. The default “Worksheet 1” appears.

In the left pane is the database objects browser which enables users to explore all databases, schemas, tables, and views accessible by the role selected for a worksheet. The bottom pane shows results of queries and operations.

The various windows on this page can be resized by moving the small sliders on them. And if during the lab you need more room to work in the worksheet, collapse the database objects browser in the left pane. Many of the screenshots in this guide will have this database objects browser closed.

The screenshot shows the Snowflake web interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with icons for Databases, Shares, Warehouses, Worksheets (which is highlighted with a red box), History, Partner Connect, Help, and a user dropdown for 'USER123 SYSADMIN'. Below the navigation bar is a toolbar with a 'Worksheet 1' tab, a '+' icon, a 'Find database objects' search bar, a 'Run' button, and other status indicators like 'All Queries' and 'Saved 12 days ago'. To the left, there's a sidebar titled 'Starting with...' containing database entries: 'DEMO\_DB', 'SNOWFLAKE\_SAMPLE\_DATA', and 'UTIL\_DB'. The main workspace is currently empty, with a message 'Query results will appear here.' at the bottom. A red box highlights the 'Worksheets' tab in the top navigation bar.

- 2.3.6 At the top left of the default “Worksheet 1,” just to the right of the worksheet tab, click on the small, downward facing arrow, select “Load Script”, then browse to the “lab\_scripts.sql” file you downloaded in the prior module and select “Open”. All of the SQL commands you need to run for the remainder of this lab will now appear on the new worksheet. Do not run any of the SQL commands yet. We will come back to them later in the lab and execute them one at a time.



#### Warning - Do Not Copy/Paste SQL From This PDF to a Worksheet

Copy-pasting the SQL code from this PDF into a Snowflake worksheet will result in formatting errors and the SQL will not run correctly. Make sure to use the “Load Script” method just covered.



On older or locked-down browsers, this “load script” step may not work as the browser will prevent you from opening the .sql file. If this is the case, open the .sql file with a text editor and then copy/paste all the text from the .sql file to the “Worksheet 1”

#### Worksheets vs the UI



Much of the configurations in this lab will be executed via this pre-written SQL in the Worksheet in order to save time. These configurations could also be done via the UI in a less technical manner but would take more time.

- 2.3.7 The **History** tab allows you to view the details of all queries executed in the last 14 days in the Snowflake account (click on a Query ID to drill into the query for more detail).

The screenshot shows the Snowflake web interface. At the top, there are navigation icons for Databases, Shares, Warehouses, Worksheets, and History. The History icon is highlighted with a red box. On the far right, the user name 'USER123' and role 'SYSADMIN' are displayed, also with a red box around it. Below the header, the 'History' tab is selected, showing a table of recent queries. One query is visible in the table:

Status	Query ID	SQL Text	User	Warehouse	Size	Session ID	Start Time	End Time	Total Duration
✓	018d6a78...	SHOW GRANTS TO ...	USER123	COMPUTE...		225259525	1:08:12 PM	1:08:12 PM	134ms

Below the table, a message says 'Search stopped at 1:08:12 PM'. A 'Continue search...' button is available.

2.3.8 If you click on the top right of the UI where your user name appears, you will see that here you can do things like change your password, roles, or preferences. Snowflake has several system defined roles. You are currently in the default role of SYSADMIN and we will stay in this role until towards the end of this lab.

The screenshot shows the same Snowflake interface as above, but the user profile icon in the top right corner has been clicked, opening a dropdown menu. The menu items are: Change Password, Switch Role, Preferences, and Log Out. The 'Switch Role' option is highlighted with a red box.

### SYSADMIN

For most this lab you will remain in the SYSADMIN (aka System Administrator) role which has privileges to create warehouses and databases and other objects in an account.



In a real-world environment, you would use different roles for the tasks in this lab, and assign the roles to your users. More on access control in Snowflake is in towards the end of this lab and also at <https://docs.snowflake.net/manuals/user-guide/security-access-control.html>

## 2.4 The Lab story

2.4.1 This Snowflake lab will be done as part of a theoretical real-world “story” to help you better understand why we are performing the steps in this lab and in the order they appear.

The “story” of this lab is based on the analytics team at Citi Bike, a real, citywide bike share system in New York City, USA. This team wants to be able to run analytics on data to better understand their riders and how to serve them best.

We will first load structured .csv data from rider transactions into Snowflake. This comes from Citi Bike internal transactional systems. Then later we will load open-source, semi-structured JSON weather data into Snowflake to see if there is any correlation between the number of bike rides and weather.

## Module 3: Preparing to Load Data

Let's start by preparing to load the structured data on Citi Bike rider transactions into Snowflake.

This module will walk you through the steps to:

- Create a database and table
- Create an external stage
- Create a file format for the data

### Getting Data into Snowflake

There are many ways to get data into Snowflake from many locations including the COPY command, Snowpipe auto-ingestion, an external connector, or a third-party ETL/ELT product. More information on getting data into Snowflake, see <https://docs.snowflake.net/manuals/user-guide-data-load.html>



We are using the COPY command and S3 storage for this module in a manual process so you can see and learn from the steps involved. In the real-world, a customer would likely use an automated process or ETL product to make the data loading process fully automated and much easier.

The data we will be using is bike share data provided by [Citi Bike NYC](#). The data has been exported and pre-staged for you in an Amazon AWS S3 bucket in the US-EAST region. The data consists of information about trip times, locations, user type, gender, age of riders, etc. On AWS S3, the data represents 61.5M rows, 377 objects, and 1.9GB total size compressed.

Below is a snippet from one of the Citi Bike CSV data files:

```
"tripduration","starttime","stoptime","start station id","start station name","start station latitude","start station longitude","end station id","end station name","end station latitude","end station longitude","bikeid","name_localizedValue0","usertype","birth year","gender"  
196,"2018-01-01 00:01:51","2018-01-01 00:05:07",315,"South St & Gouverneur Ln",  
40.70355377,-74.00670227,259,"South St & Whitehall St",  
40.70122128,-74.01234218,18534,"Annual Membership","Subscriber",1997,1  
207,"2018-01-01 00:02:44","2018-01-01 00:06:11",3224,"W 13 St & Hudson St",  
40.73997354103409,-74.00513872504234,470,"W 20 St & 8 Ave",  
40.74345335,-74.00004031,19651,"Annual Membership","Subscriber",1978,1  
613,"2018-01-01 00:03:15","2018-01-01 00:13:28",386,"Centre St & Worth St",  
40.71494807,-74.00234482,2008,"Little West St & 1 Pl",  
40.70569254,-74.01677685,21678,"Annual Membership","Subscriber",1982,1
```

It is in comma-delimited format with double quote enclosing and a single header line. This will come into play later in this module as we configure the Snowflake table which will store this data.

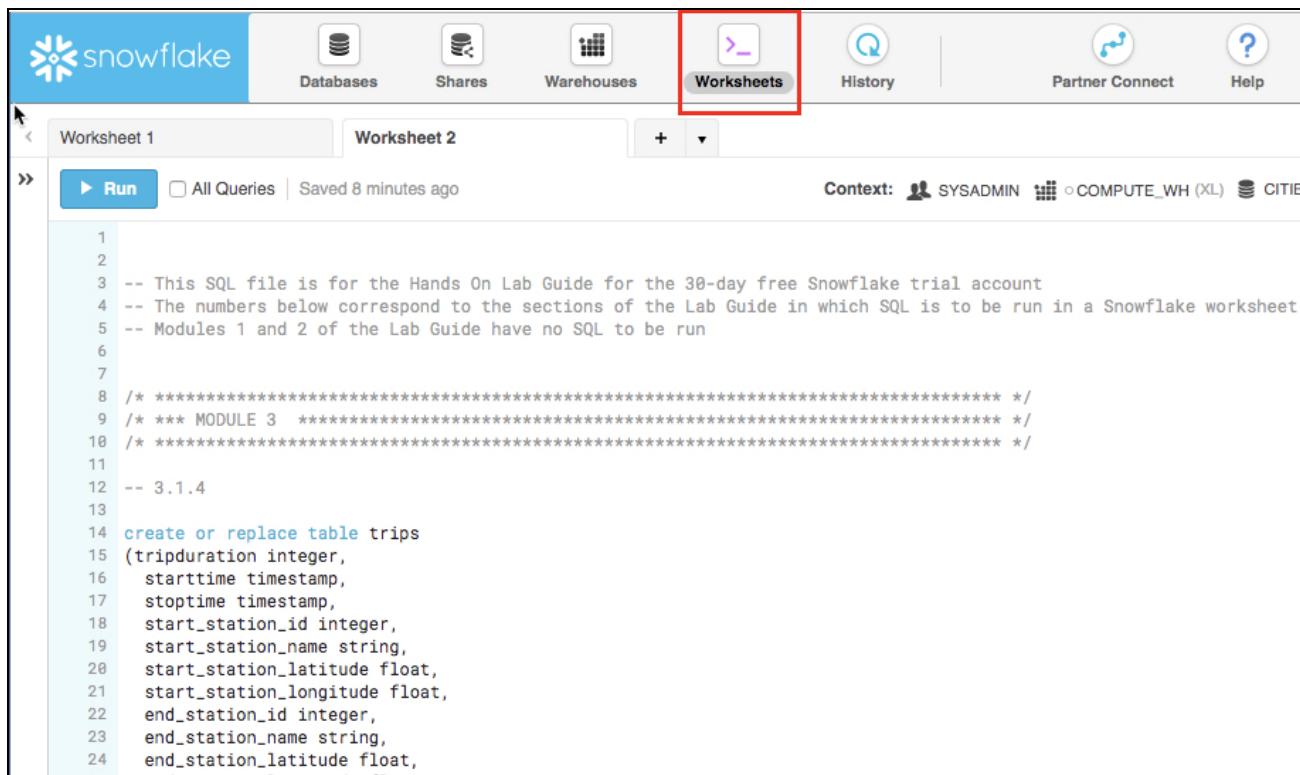
### 3.1 Create a Database and Table

3.1.1 First, let's create a database called CITIBIKE that will be used for loading the structured data.

At the top of the UI select the “Databases” tab. Then click on “Create” and name the database “CITIBIKE” and click “Finish”.

The screenshot shows the Snowflake web interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with icons for Databases, Shares, Warehouses, Worksheets, and History. The 'Databases' icon is highlighted with a red box. Below the navigation bar, the main title is 'Databases' with a subtitle 'Manage your databases from this page.' A 'Last re...' link is visible on the right. There are four buttons below the title: '+ Create...', 'Clone...', 'Drop...', and 'Transfer Ownership'. The first button is also highlighted with a red box. To the right of these buttons is a table header with columns: Database, Origin, Creation Time ▾, Owner, and Comment. Under the 'Database' column, three databases are listed: SNOWFLAKE\_SAMPLE\_DATA, DEMO\_DB, and UTIL\_DB. A modal window titled 'Create Database' is open in the center. It has a 'Name \*' field containing 'Citibike' and a 'Comment' field which is empty. At the bottom of the modal are two buttons: 'Show SQL' and 'Finish'. The 'Finish' button is highlighted with a blue box and a mouse cursor is hovering over it.

3.1.2 At the top of the Snowflake UI, click the Worksheets tab. You should see the worksheet with all the SQL we loaded in a prior step.



The screenshot shows the Snowflake web interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with icons for Databases, Shares, Warehouses, Worksheets (which is highlighted with a red box), History, Partner Connect, and Help. Below the navigation bar, there are two tabs: "Worksheet 1" and "Worksheet 2". The "Worksheet 1" tab is active. In the main content area, there is a code editor containing the following SQL script:

```
1
2
3 -- This SQL file is for the Hands On Lab Guide for the 30-day free Snowflake trial account
4 -- The numbers below correspond to the sections of the Lab Guide in which SQL is to be run in a Snowflake worksheet
5 -- Modules 1 and 2 of the Lab Guide have no SQL to be run
6
7
8 /* ****
9  * *** MODULE 3
10 /* ****
11
12 -- 3.1.4
13
14 create or replace table trips
15 (tripduration integer,
16 starttime timestamp,
17 stoptime timestamp,
18 start_station_id integer,
19 start_station_name string,
20 start_station_latitude float,
21 start_station_longitude float,
22 end_station_id integer,
23 end_station_name string,
24 end_station_latitude float,
```

- 3.1.3 First, we need to set the context appropriately within the Worksheet. In the top right, click on the drop-down arrow next to the “Context” section to show the worksheet context menu. Here we control what elements the user can see and run from each worksheet. We are using the UI here to set the context. Later in the lab we will set the worksheet context via SQL commands in the worksheet.

As needed use the downward arrows to select and show the showing:

Role: SYSADMIN

Warehouse: COMPUTE\_WH (XL)

Database: CITIBIKE

Schema = PUBLIC

The screenshot shows the Snowflake web interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with icons for Databases, Shares, Warehouses, Worksheets (which is the active tab), History, Partner Connect, Help, and a user dropdown for 'USER123' (SYSADMIN). Below the navigation is a toolbar with tabs for 'Worksheet 1' and 'Worksheet 2', and buttons for 'Run' and 'All Queries'. A message indicates the worksheet was saved 4 minutes ago. To the right of the toolbar is a 'Context' dropdown menu. This menu has four items: 'Role' set to 'SYSADMIN' with a 'Change' link; 'Warehouse' set to 'COMPUTE\_WH (XL)' with a 'Suspended' status and a 'Resume' button; 'Database' set to 'CITIBIKE'; and 'Schema' set to 'PUBLIC'. A red box highlights the 'Context' dropdown icon in the top right corner of the UI.

#### **DDL operations are free!**

Note that all the DDL operations we have done so far do NOT require compute resources, so we can create all our objects for free.

- 3.1.4 Let's now create a table called TRIPS that will be used for loading the comma-delimited data. We will be using the Worksheets tab in the Snowflake UI to run the DDL (data definition language) to create the table. Based on a prior step, the SQL text below should be showing on the worksheet.

```
create or replace table trips
(tripduration integer,
 starttime timestamp,
 stoptime timestamp,
 start_station_id integer,
 start_station_name string,
 start_station_latitude float,
```

```
start_station_longitude float,  
end_station_id integer,  
end_station_name string,  
end_station_latitude float,  
end_station_longitude float,  
bikeid integer,  
membership_type string,  
usertype string,  
birth_year integer,  
gender integer);
```

### Many Options to Run Commands.



SQL commands can be executed through the UI (limited), via the Worksheets tab, using our SnowSQL command line tool, a SQL editor of your choice via ODBC/JDBC, or through our Python or Spark connectors.

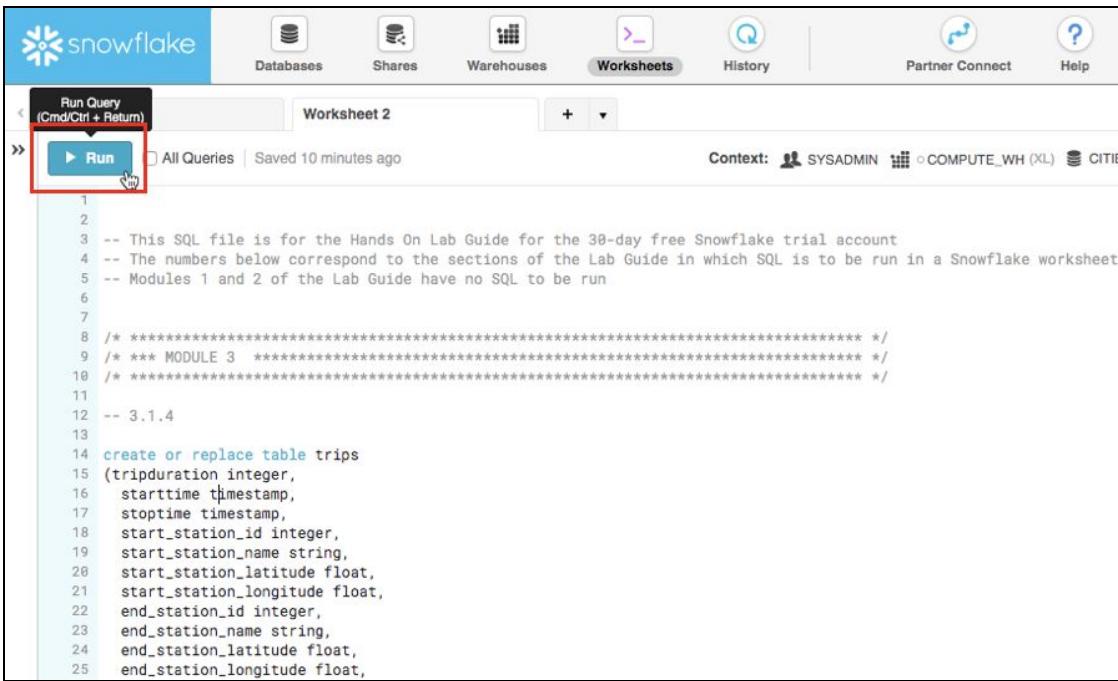
As mentioned earlier, in this lab we will run some operations via pre-written SQL in the worksheet (as opposed to using the UI) to save time.

- 3.1.5 Run the query by placing your cursor anywhere in the command and clicking the blue “Run” button at the top of the page or by hitting Ctrl/Cmd+Enter on your keyboard.



### Warning

In this lab, never check the “All Queries” box at the top of the worksheet. We want to run SQL queries one at a time in a specific order; not all at once.



```
Run Query (Cmd/Ctr + Return)  
Worksheet 2  
Run All Queries Saved 10 minutes ago Context: SYSADMIN COMPUTE_WH (XL) CITIB  
1  
2  
3 -- This SQL file is for the Hands On Lab Guide for the 30-day free Snowflake trial account  
4 -- The numbers below correspond to the sections of the Lab Guide in which SQL is to be run in a Snowflake worksheet  
5 -- Modules 1 and 2 of the Lab Guide have no SQL to be run  
6  
7  
8 /* ***** MODULE 3 ***** */  
9 /* *** MODULE 3 *** */  
10 /* ***** MODULE 3 ***** */  
11  
12 -- 3.1.4  
13  
14 create or replace table trips  
15 (tripduration integer,  
16 starttime timestamp,  
17 stoptime timestamp,  
18 start_station_id integer,  
19 start_station_name string,  
20 start_station_latitude float,  
21 start_station_longitude float,  
22 end_station_id integer,  
23 end_station_name string,  
24 end_station_latitude float,  
25 end_station_longitude float,
```

- 3.1.6 \*If\* you highlighted the entire SQL text of the command (did not just place your cursor in the command) and ran it, a confirmation box should appear asking “Do you want to run the following queries?”. Click the blue “Run” button in the box. In the future you can keep clicking this “Run” button on this confirmation box or check the “Don’t ask me again (All Worksheets)” option in this box.

The screenshot shows the Snowflake web interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with icons for Databases, Shares, Warehouses, Worksheets (which is selected), History, and Partner Connect. Below the navigation bar, there are two tabs: Worksheet 1 and Worksheet 2. The Worksheet 1 tab is active. On the left, there's a code editor window containing several lines of SQL code. A modal dialog box is overlaid on the page, titled "Do you want to run the following queries?". Inside the dialog, there is a block of SQL code:

```
1 create or replace table trips
2 (tripduration integer,
3 starttime timestamp,
4 stoptime timestamp,
5 start_station_id integer,
6 start_station_name string,
7 start_station_latitude float,
8 start_station_longitude float,
9 end_station_id integer,
10 end_station_name string,
11 end_station_latitude float,
12 end_station_longitude float,
13 bikeid integer;
```

Below the code, there is a checkbox labeled "Don't ask me again (All Worksheets)". At the bottom right of the dialog are two buttons: "Cancel" and "Run". The "Run" button is highlighted with a red box and a mouse cursor icon pointing to it.

- 3.1.7 Verify that your table TRIPS has been created. At the bottom of the worksheet you should see a “Results” section which says “Table TRIPS successfully created”

The screenshot shows a "Results" tab in a Snowflake worksheet. The query was successful, taking 292ms and returning 1 row. The result table has a single row with the status message: "Table TRIPS successfully created."

Row	status
1	Table TRIPS successfully created.

- 3.1.8 At the top of the page, go to the Databases tab and then click on the “CITIBIKE” database link. You should see your newly created TRIPS table.

IMPORTANT: If you do not see the databases, expand your browser as they may be hidden.

The screenshot shows the "Databases" tab in the Snowflake interface, specifically within the "CITIBIKE" database. The "Tables" tab is selected. A red box highlights the first row of the table list, which corresponds to the "TRIPS" table. The table details are as follows:

Table Name	Schema	Creation Time	Owner
TRIPS	PUBLIC	2:28:49 PM	SYSADMIN

- 3.1.9 Click on the “TRIPS” hyperlink to see the table structure you just configured for it.

Column Name	Ordinal ▲	Type	Nullable	Default
TRIPDURATION	1	NUMBER(38,0)	true	NULL
STARTTIME	2	TIMESTAMP_NTZ(9)	true	NULL
STOPTIME	3	TIMESTAMP_NTZ(9)	true	NULL
START_STATION_ID	4	NUMBER(38,0)	true	NULL
START_STATION_NAME	5	VARCHAR(16777216)	true	NULL
START_STATION_LATITUDE	6	FLOAT	true	NULL
START_STATION_LONGITUDE	7	FLOAT	true	NULL
END_STATION_ID	8	NUMBER(38,0)	true	NULL
END_STATION_NAME	9	VARCHAR(16777216)	true	NULL
END_STATION_LATITUDE	10	FLOAT	true	NULL
END_STATION_LONGITUDE	11	FLOAT	true	NULL
BIKEID	12	NUMBER(38,0)	true	NULL
MEMBERSHIP_TYPE	13	VARCHAR(16777216)	true	NULL
USERTYPE	14	VARCHAR(16777216)	true	NULL
BIRTH_YEAR	15	NUMBER(38,0)	true	NULL
GENDER	16	NUMBER(38,0)	true	NULL

## 3.2 Create an External Stage

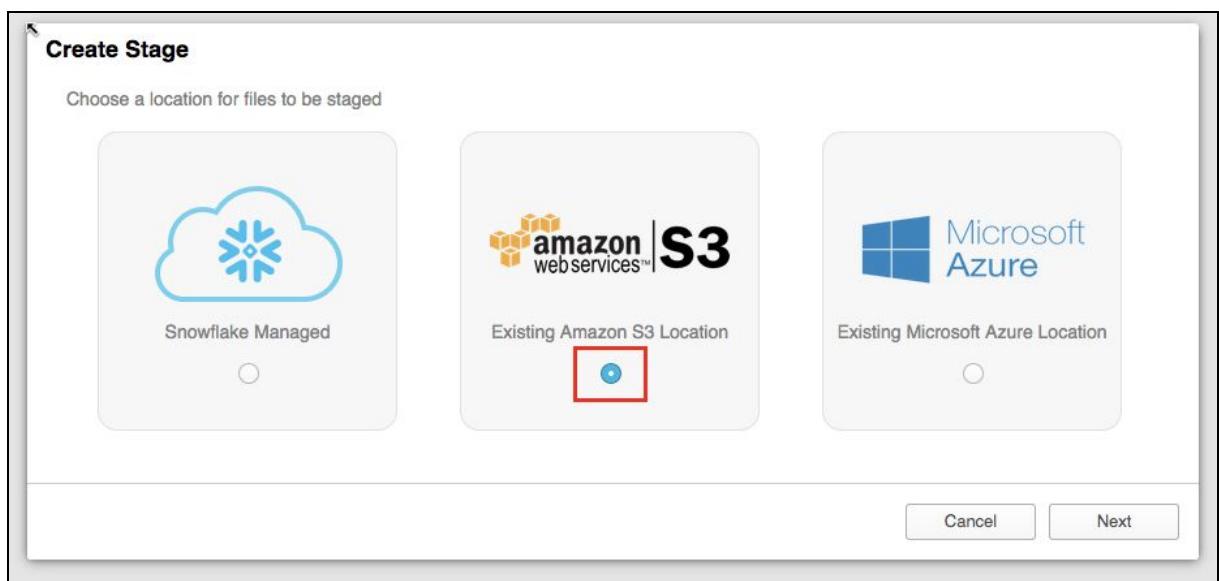
We are working with structured, comma-delimited data that has already been staged in a public, external S3 bucket. Before we can use this data, we first need to create a Stage that specifies the location of our external bucket.

NOTE - For this lab we are using an AWS-East bucket. In the real-world, to prevent data egress/transfer costs, you would want to select a staging location from the same cloud provider and region that your Snowflake environment is in.

- 3.2.1 From the Databases tab, click on the “CITIBIKE” database, then click on “Stages” and click “Create...”

The screenshot shows the Snowflake web interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with icons for Databases, Shares, Warehouses, Worksheets, and History. The 'Databases' icon is highlighted with a red box. Below the navigation bar, the text 'Databases > CITIBIKE' is displayed. Underneath this, there's a tab bar with 'Tables', 'Views', 'Schemas', 'Stages' (which is highlighted with a red box and has a blue underline), 'File Formats', and 'Sequences'. Below the tab bar is a toolbar with buttons for 'Create...', 'Clone...', 'Edit...', 'Drop...', and 'Transfer Ownership'. The 'Create...' button is also highlighted with a red box and has a cursor icon pointing at it. A table below the toolbar has columns for 'Stage', 'Schema', 'Location', and 'Creation Time'. The 'Stage' column contains a single row.

3.2.2 Select the option for “Existing Amazon S3 Location” and click “Next”:



3.2.3 On the “Create Stage” box that appears, enter/select the following settings, then click “Finish”.

Name	citibike_trips
Schema Name	PUBLIC
URL	s3://snowflake-workshop-lab/citibike-trips

NOTE - The S3 bucket for this lab is public so you can leave the key fields empty. In the “real world” this bucket would likely require key information.

**Create Stage**

Staged files will be stored in the specified S3 location

Name *	citibike_trips
Schema Name	PUBLIC
URL *	s3://snowflake-workshop-lab/citibike-trips
AWS Key ID	
AWS Secret Key	
Encryption Master Key	
Comment	

Show SQL      Cancel      Back      **Finish**

- 3.2.4 Now let's take a look at the contents of the citibike\_trips stage. At the top of the page, click on the Worksheet tab. Then execute the following statement:

```
list @citibike_trips;
```

The screenshot shows the Snowflake interface with the 'Worksheets' tab selected. In the 'Run Query' input field, the command `list @citibike_trips;` is entered. Below the input field, there is a 'Run' button, which is highlighted with a red box and has a cursor pointing at it. The 'Worksheet 2' tab is active.

You should see the output in the Results window in the bottom pane:

The screenshot shows the 'Results' window with the 'Data Preview' tab selected. The query `list @citibike_trips;` was run and returned 376 rows. The results table has columns: Row, name, size, md5, and last\_modified. The data preview shows the following rows:

Row	name	size	md5	last_modified
1	s3://snowflake-workshop-lab/citibike-tri...	3072073	cfc69e04228a94d1337ab383a3af7472	Wed, 12 Jun 2019 16:30:58 GMT
2	s3://snowflake-workshop-lab/citibike-tri...	2877852	92a1c064a3c632f338b57d5c6531e97d	Wed, 12 Jun 2019 16:30:58 GMT
3	s3://snowflake-workshop-lab/citibike-tri...	3174598	39faac098802c1b29f2d4d99f31378be	Wed, 12 Jun 2019 16:30:58 GMT
4	s3://snowflake-workshop-lab/citibike-tri...	3031012	cd0dca1dcfa309c0bb4bd40d1265c3a9	Wed, 12 Jun 2019 16:30:58 GMT
5	s3://snowflake-workshop-lab/citibike-tri...	3005838	fb24c0cc5fb6ee54d2aa4d50265792c7	Wed, 12 Jun 2019 16:30:58 GMT
6	s3://snowflake-workshop-lab/citibike-tri...	3099881	441efe806352c57a50c4f31afccb2e3	Wed, 12 Jun 2019 16:30:58 GMT
7	s3://snowflake-workshop-lab/citibike-tri...	3060952	372765a1ca713eeb1d56f79e0956e48f	Wed, 12 Jun 2019 16:30:59 GMT

### 3.3 Create a File Format

Before we can load the data into Snowflake, we have to create a File Format that matches the data structure.

- 3.3.1 From the Databases tab, click on the CITIBIKE database hyperlink. Then click on “File Formats”. Then click “Create”.

The screenshot shows the Snowflake web interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with icons for Databases, Shares, Warehouses, Worksheets, and History. The 'Databases' icon is highlighted with a red box. Below the navigation bar, the URL 'Databases > CITIBIKE' is visible. Underneath, there are tabs for Tables, Views, Schemas, Stages, File Formats (which is highlighted with a red box), and Sequences. A sub-menu below the tabs includes 'Create...', 'Clone...', 'Edit...', 'Drop...', and 'Transfer Ownership'. The 'Create...' button is also highlighted with a red box. At the bottom, there's a table header for 'File Format' with columns for Schema, Type, Creation Time, and Owner.

- 3.3.2 On the resulting page, we then create a file format. In the box that appears, leave all the default settings as-is but make the changes below:

Name: **CSV**

Field optionally enclosed by: **Double Quote**

Null string: <Delete the existing text in this field so it is empty>

[ ] Error on Column Count Mismatch: <uncheck this box>

**IMPORTANT:** If you do not see the “Error on Column Count Mismatch” box, scroll down in the dialogue box

When you are done, the box should look like:

**Create File Format**

Name *	CSV
Schema Name	PUBLIC
Format Type	CSV
Compression Method	Auto
Column separator	Comma
Row separator	New Line
Header lines to skip	0
Field optionally enclosed by	Double Quote
Null String	
<input type="checkbox"/> Trim space before and after ?	
<input type="checkbox"/> Error on Column Count Mismatch ?	
Escape Character	None
Escape Unenclosed Field	Backslash
Date Format	Auto
Timestamp Format	Auto
Comment	

[Show SQL](#) [Cancel](#) [Finish](#)

Then click on the “Finish” button to create the file format.

## Module 4: Loading Data

For this module, we will use a data warehouse and the COPY command to initiate bulk loading of the structured data into the Snowflake table we just created.

### 4.1 Resize and Use a Warehouse for Data Loading

For loading data, compute power is needed. Snowflake's compute nodes are called Warehouses and they can be dynamically sized up or out according to workload, whether the workload be loading data, running a query, or performing a DML operation. And each workload can have its own data warehouse so there is no resource contention.

- 4.1.1 Navigate to the Warehouses tab. Note the "Create..." option at the top is where you can quickly create a new warehouse. However, we want to use the existing warehouse "COMPUTE\_WH" which comes with the 30-day trial environment.

Click on the row of this "COMPUTE\_WH" warehouse (not the blue hyperlink that says "COMPUTE\_WH") so the entire row is highlighted. Then click on the "Configure..." text above it to see the configuration detail of the "COMPUTE\_WH". We will use this warehouse to load in the data from AWS S3.

The screenshot shows the Snowflake web interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the Snowflake logo, 'snowflake' text, and three icons for 'Databases', 'Shares', and 'Warehouses'. The 'Warehouses' icon is highlighted with a red box. Below the navigation bar, the title 'Warehouses' is displayed, followed by the sub-instruction: 'Manage your warehouses from this page. To operate on your data, you can use the buttons above the table or the context menu for each row.' Underneath this, there is a toolbar with five buttons: '+ Create...', 'Configure...', 'Suspend...', 'Resume...', and 'Run...'. The 'Configure...' button is also highlighted with a red box and has a cursor icon pointing to it. Below the toolbar is a table with two columns: 'Status' and 'Warehouse Name'. The first row shows 'Suspended' and 'COMPUTE\_WH'. A tooltip 'Configure a warehouse' is visible over the 'Configure...' button. The second row is partially visible.

Status	Warehouse Name
Suspended	COMPUTE_WH
	X-Large
	0

4.1.2 Let's walk through the settings of this warehouse as there is a lot of functionality here, much of which is unique to Snowflake versus other data warehouses.

NOTE - If you do not have a Snowflake Edition of Enterprise or greater, you will \*NOT\* see the "Maximum Clusters" or "Scaling Policy" configurations from the screenshot below. Multi-clustering is not utilized in this lab, but we will still discuss it as it is a key capability of Snowflake.

- The "Size" drop-down is where the size of the warehouse is selected. For larger data loading operations or more compute-intensive queries, a larger warehouse will be needed. The t-shirt sizes translate to underlying compute nodes, either AWS EC2 or Azure Virtual Machines. The larger the t-shirt size, the more compute resources from the cloud provider are allocated to that warehouse. As an example, the 4-XL option allocates 128 nodes. Also, this sizing can be changed up or down on the fly with a simple click.
- If you have Snowflake Edition or greater you will see the Maximum Clusters section. This is where you can set up a single warehouse to be multi-cluster up to 10 clusters. As an example, if the 4-XL warehouse we just mentioned was assigned a maximum cluster size of 10, it could scale up to be 1280 (128 \* 10) AWS EC2 or Azure VM machines modes powering that warehouse...and it can do this in seconds! Multi-cluster is ideal for concurrency scenarios, such as many business analysts simultaneously running different queries using the same warehouse. In this scenario, the various queries can be allocated across the multiple clusters to ensure they run fast.

- The final sections allow you to automatically suspend the warehouse so it suspends (stops) itself when not in use and no credits are consumed. There is also an option to automatically resume (start) a suspended warehouse so when a new workload is assigned to it, it will automatically start back up. This functionality enables Snowflake's fair "pay as you use" compute pricing model which enables customers to minimize their data warehouse costs.

**Configure Warehouse**

Name COMPUTE\_WH

Size X-Large (16 credits / hour)

Learn more about virtual warehouse sizes here

Maximum Clusters 1

Multi-cluster warehouses improve the query throughput for high concurrency workloads.

Scaling Policy Standard

The policy used to automatically start up and shut down clusters.

Auto Suspend 10 minutes

The maximum idle time before the warehouse will be automatically suspended.

Auto Resume ?

Comment

Show SQL Cancel Finish

### Snowflake Compute vs Other Warehouses

Many of the warehouse/compute capabilities we just covered, like being able to create, scale up and out, and auto-suspend/resume warehouses are things that are simple in Snowflake and can be done in seconds. Yet for on-premise data warehouses these capabilities are very difficult (or impossible) to do as they require significant physical hardware, over-provisioning of hardware for workload spikes, significant configuration work, and more challenges. Even other cloud data warehouses cannot scale up and out like Snowflake without significantly more configuration work and time.



### Warning - Watch Your Spend!

During or after this lab you should \*NOT\* do the following without good reason or you may burn through your \$400 of free credits more quickly than desired:

- Disable auto-suspend. If auto-suspend is disabled, your warehouses will continue to run and consume credits even when not being utilized.
- Use a warehouse size that is excessive given the workload. The larger the warehouse, the more credits are consumed.



- We are going to use this data warehouse to load the structured data into Snowflake. However, we are first going to decrease the size of the warehouse to reduce the compute power it contains. Then in later steps we will note the time this load takes, then

re-do the same load operation with a larger warehouse, and observe how much faster the load is with a larger warehouse.

Change the Size of this data warehouse from X-Large to Small. Then click the “Finish” button.

**Configure Warehouse**

Name COMPUTE\_WH

Size **Small (2 credits / hour)**

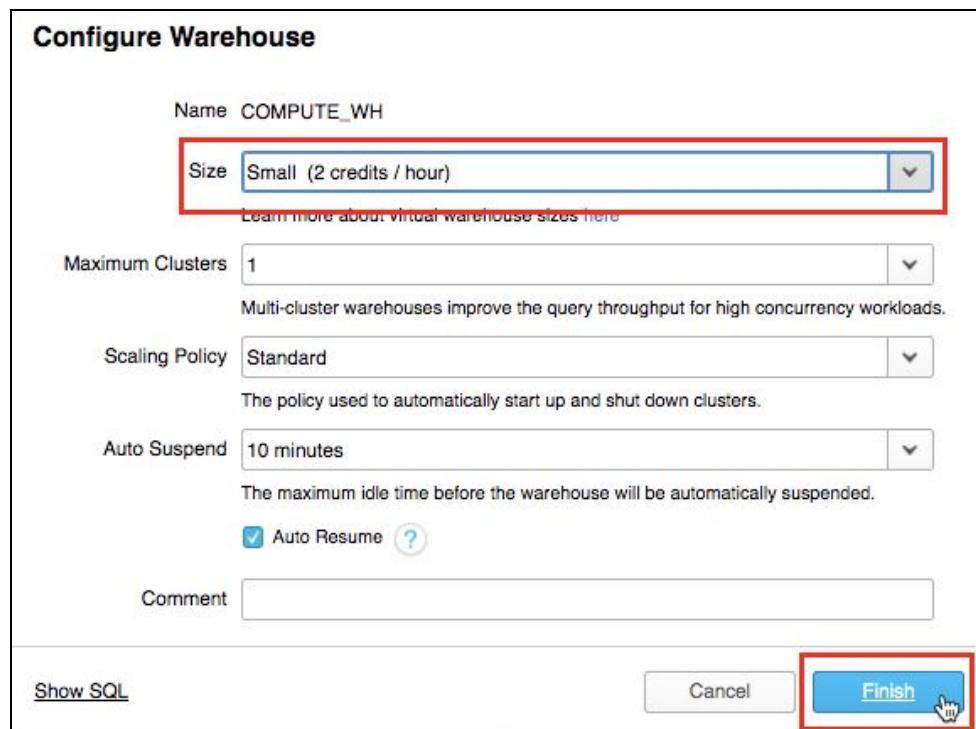
Maximum Clusters 1

Scaling Policy Standard

Auto Suspend 10 minutes

Comment

Show SQL Cancel **Finish**



## 4.2 Load the Data

Now we can run a COPY command to load the data into the TRIPS table we created earlier.

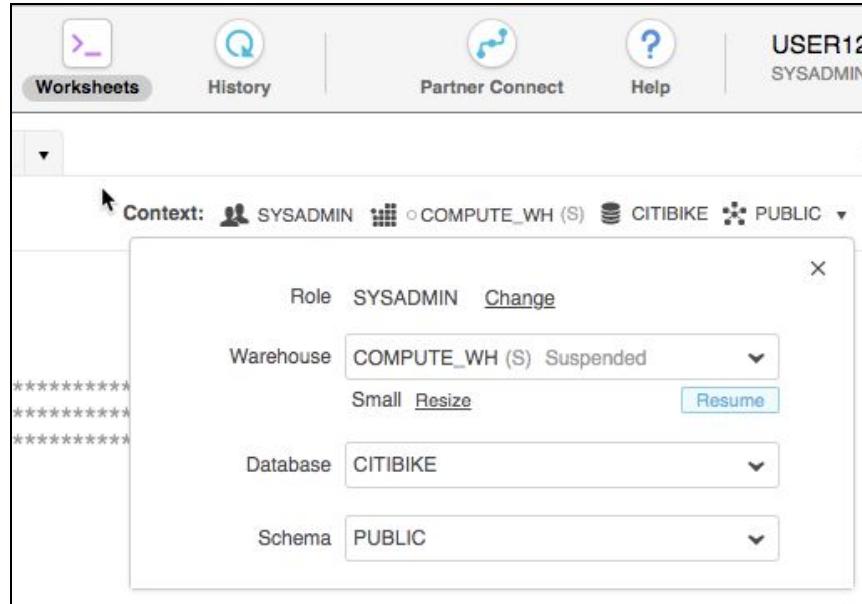
- 4.2.1 Via the top of the UI, navigate back to the Worksheets tab and click on it. Make sure the context is correct by setting these in the top right of the worksheet:

Role: SYSADMIN

Warehouse: COMPUTE\_WH (S)

Database: CITIBIKE

Schema = PUBLIC



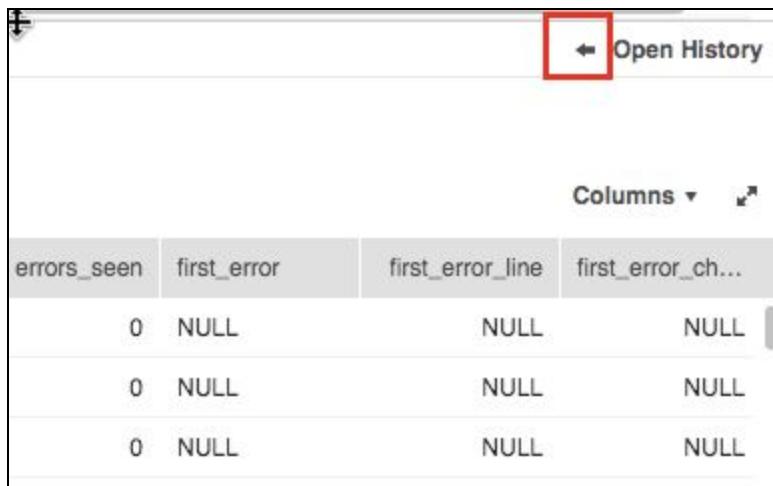
4.2.2 Execute the following statements in the worksheet to load the staged data into the table. This may take up to 30 seconds.

```
copy into trips from @citibike_trips
file_format=CSV;
```

In the Results window, you should see the status of the load:

Results Data Preview										<a href="#">Open History</a>	
<a href="#">Query ID</a>		<a href="#">SQL</a>		31.34s		376 rows					
<a href="#">Filter result...</a>										<a href="#">Columns</a>	
Row	file	status	rows_parsed	rows_loaded	error_limit	errors_seen	first_error	first_error_line	first_error_ch...		
1	s3://snowflak...	LOADED	116731	116731	1	0	NULL	NULL	NULL		
2	s3://snowflak...	LOADED	85049	85049	1	0	NULL	NULL	NULL		
3	s3://snowflak...	LOADED	81988	81988	1	0	NULL	NULL	NULL		
4	s3://snowflak...	LOADED	108605	108605	1	0	NULL	NULL	NULL		
5	s3://snowflak...	LOADED	109178	109178	1	0	NULL	NULL	NULL		
6	s3://snowflak...	LOADED	99747	99747	1	0	NULL	NULL	NULL		
7	s3://snowflak...	LOADED	144097	144097	1	0	NULL	NULL	NULL		

- 4.2.3 Once the load is done, at the bottom right of the worksheet click on the small arrow next to the “Open History” text to show the history of Snowflake operations performed in that specific worksheet.



errors_seen	first_error	first_error_line	first_error_ch...
0	NULL	NULL	NULL
0	NULL	NULL	NULL
0	NULL	NULL	NULL

- 4.2.4 In the History window see the “copy into trips from @citibike\_trips file\_format=CSV;” SQL query you just ran and note the duration, bytes scanned and rows. Use the slider on the left side of the pane to expand it if needed to see all the detail in it.



Status	Duration	Start	End	Query ID	Rows	Bytes Scanned	Cluster	SQL
✓	31.34s	3:21:32 PM	3:22:03 PM	018d6af0-00e7-4222-0000-00000d6d80f1	61....	144.0...	1	copy into trips from @citibike_trips file_format=CSV;
✓	810ms	2:55:01 PM	2:55:02 PM	018d6ae3-009d-7ddf-0000-00000d6d809d				list @citibike_trips;

- 4.2.5 Go back to the worksheet to clear the table of all data and metadata, by using the TRUNCATE TABLE command.

`truncate table trips;`

- 4.2.6 At the top of the UI go to the Warehouses tab, then click on “Configure..” Resize the warehouse to size Large and click “Finish”. This warehouse is four times larger than the Small size.

**Configure Warehouse**

Name COMPUTE\_WH

Size **Large (8 credits / hour)**

Learn more about virtual warehouse sizes [here](#)

Auto Suspend **10 minutes**

The maximum idle time before the warehouse will be automatically suspended.

Auto Resume [?](#)

Comment

Show SQL Cancel **Finish**

- 4.2.7 Go back to the Worksheets tab at the top of the UI and click on it. Execute the following statements in the worksheet to load the same data again.

```
copy into trips from @citibike_trips
file_format=CSV;
```

- 4.2.8 Once the load is done, at the bottom of the worksheet in the History window compare the times between the two loads. The one with the Large warehouse was significantly faster.

Status	Duration	Start	End	Query ID	Rows	Bytes Scanned	Cluster	SQL
✓	11.99s	3:39:43 PM	3:39:55 PM	018d6b0f-00d7...	61....	529.6...	1	<a href="#">copy into trips</a>
✓	606ms	3:33:33 PM	3:33:34 PM	018d6b09-00fe...				<a href="#">truncate table</a>
✓	31.34s	3:21:32 PM	3:22:03 PM	018d6af0-00e7...	61....	144.0...	1	<a href="#">copy into trips</a>

## 4.3 Create a New Warehouse for Data Analytics

Going back to the lab story, let's assume the Citi Bike team wants to ensure no resource contention between their data loading/ETL workloads and the analytical end users using BI tools to query Snowflake. As mentioned earlier, Snowflake can easily do this by assigning different, appropriately-sized warehouses to different workloads. Since Citi Bike already has a warehouse for data loading, let's create a new warehouse for the end users running analytics. We will then use this warehouse to perform analytics in the next module.

- 4.3.1 At the top of the UI click on the Warehouses tab then “Create...”. Name it “ANALYTICS\_WH” with size “Large”. If you have Snowflake edition Enterprise or greater, you will see a setting for “Maximum Clusters”. Set this to “1”.

Leave the other settings in their default settings. It should look like:

**Create Warehouse**

Name\* ANALYTICS\_WH

Size Large (8 credits / hour)

Learn more about virtual warehouse sizes here

Maximum Clusters 1

Multi-cluster warehouses improve the query throughput for high concurrency workloads.

Scaling Policy Standard

The policy used to automatically start up and shut down clusters.

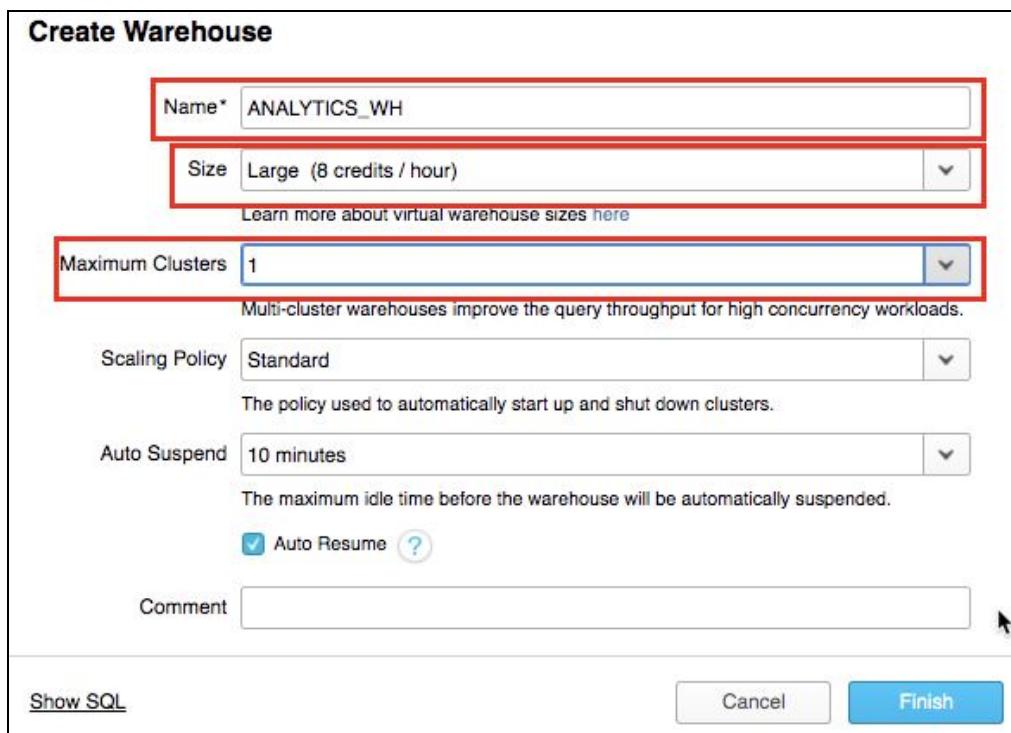
Auto Suspend 10 minutes

The maximum idle time before the warehouse will be automatically suspended.

Auto Resume ?

Comment

Show SQL Cancel Finish



Then click on the “Finish” button to create the warehouse.

## Module 5: Analytical Queries, Results Cache, Cloning

In the previous exercises, we loaded data into two tables using Snowflake's bulk loader (COPY command) and the warehouse COMPUTE\_WH. Now we are going to pretend we are analytics users at Citi Bike who need to query data in those tables using the worksheet and the second warehouse ANALYTICS\_WH.

### “Real World” Roles and Querying

In the “real world” the analytics users would likely have a different role than SYSADMIN; to keep the lab simple we are going to stay with the SYSADMIN role for this module.



Also, in the “real-world” querying would typically be done with a business intelligence product like Tableau, Looker, PowerBI, etc. Or for more advanced analytics, data science products like Spark or R can query Snowflake. Basically any technology that leverages JDBC/ODBC can run analytics on the data in Snowflake. But to keep this lab simple, all queries are being done via the Snowflake worksheet.

### 5.1 Execute SELECT Statements and Result Cache

- 5.1.1 Go the Worksheets tab. Within the worksheet, make sure you set your context appropriately:

Role: SYSADMIN

Warehouse: ANALYTICS\_WH (L)

Database: CITIBIKE

Schema = PUBLIC

- 5.1.2 Run the query below to see a sample of the trips data

```
select * from trips limit 20;
```

Results Data Preview

✓ Query\_ID SQL 4.05s 20 rows

Filter result... Copy

Row	TRIPDURATION	STARTTIME	STOPTIME	START_STATION...	START_STATION_NAME	START_STATION_LATITUDE
1	518	2016-09-18 ...	2016-09-18 ...	3108	Nassau Ave & Russell St	40.72557
14	1898	2016-09-18 ...	2016-09-18 ...	3345	Madison Ave & E 99 St	40.789485416
13	1231	2016-09-18 ...	2016-09-18 ...	3168	Central Park West & W 8...	40.78472675
8	510	2016-09-18 ...	2016-09-18 ...	3160	Central Park West & W 7...	40.77896784
17	847	2016-09-18 ...	2016-09-18 ...	3423	West Drive & Prospect P...	40.661063372

5.1.3 First let's look at some basic hourly statistics on Citi Bike usage. Run the query below in the worksheet. It will show for each hour the number of trips, average trip duration, and average trip distance.

```
select date_trunc('hour', starttime) as "date",
       count(*) as "num trips",
       avg(tripduration)/60 as "avg duration (mins)",
       avg(haversine(start_station_latitude, start_station_longitude, end_station_latitude,
                      end_station_longitude)) as "avg distance (km)"
  from trips
 group by 1 order by 1;
```

Results Data Preview

✓ Query\_ID SQL 984ms 44,295 rows

Filter result... Copy Columns ▾

Row	date	num trips	avg duration (mins)	avg distance (km)
1	2013-06-01 00:00:00.000	152	56.058442983333	2.127971476
2	2013-06-01 01:00:00.000	102	26.525163400000	2.067906273
3	2013-06-01 02:00:00.000	67	36.119900500000	2.31784827
4	2013-06-01 03:00:00.000	41	44.485365850000	2.349126632
5	2013-06-01 04:00:00.000	16	23.278125000000	1.840026007

5.1.4 Snowflake has a result cache that holds the results of every query executed in the past 24 hours. These are available across warehouses, so query results returned to one user are available to any other user on the system who executes the same query, provided

the underlying data has not changed. Not only do these repeated queries return extremely fast, but they also use no compute credits.

Let's see the result cache in action by running the exact same query again.

```
select date_trunc('hour', starttime) as "date",
       count(*) as "num trips",
       avg(tripduration)/60 as "avg duration (mins)",
       avg(haversine(start_station_latitude, start_station_longitude, end_station_latitude,
                      end_station_longitude)) as "avg distance (km)"
  from trips
 group by 1 order by 1;
```

In the History window note that the query runs significantly faster now because the results have been cached.

History 10						
Status	Duration	Start	End	Query ID	Rows	Bytes Scanned
✓	117ms	4:01:32 PM	4:01:32 PM	018d6b25-0047-4e70-000...		
✓	984ms	3:57:19 PM	3:57:20 PM	018d6b21-00fb-764a-000...	44....	804.9... 

5.1.5 Next, let's run this query to see which days of the week are the busiest:

```
select
       dayname(starttime) as "day of week",
       count(*) as "num trips"
  from trips
 group by 1 order by 2 desc;
```

Results Data Preview			
✓	Query ID	SQL	1.37s  7 rows
Filter result...		Download	Copy
Row	day of week		num trips
1	Wed		9760129
2	Thu		9530022
3	Tue		9395112
4	Fri		9155362
5	Mon		8861208
6	Sat		7594828
7	Sun		7171698

## 5.2 Clone a Table

Snowflake allows you to create clones, also known as “zero-copy clones” of tables, schemas, and databases in seconds. A snapshot of data present in the source object is taken when the clone is created, and is made available to the cloned object. The cloned object is writable, and is independent of the clone source. That is, changes made to either the source object or the clone object are not part of the other.

A popular use case for zero-copy cloning is to clone a production environment for use by Development & Testing to do testing and experimentation on without (1) adversely impacting the production environment and (2) eliminating the need to set up and manage two separate environments for production and Development & Testing.

### Zero-Copy Cloning FTW!



A massive benefit is that the underlying data is not copied; just the metadata/pointers to the underlying data change. Hence “zero-copy” and storage requirements are not doubled when data is cloned. Most data warehouses cannot do this; for Snowflake it is easy!

5.2.1 Run the following command in the worksheet to create a development (dev) table

```
create table trips_dev clone trips
```

- 5.2.2 If closed, expand the database objects browser on the left of the worksheet. Click the small Refresh button in the left-hand panel and expand the object tree under the Citibike database. Check that you can see a new table under the CITIBIKE database named TRIPS\_DEV. The development team now can do whatever they want with this table, including even deleting it, without having any impact on the TRIPS table or any other object.

The screenshot shows the Snowflake interface with the 'snowflake' logo at the top. On the left, there's a sidebar titled 'Database objects' with a search bar and a refresh icon (highlighted with a red box). The main area shows the 'CITIBIKE' database expanded, revealing the 'INFORMATION\_SCHEMA', 'PUBLIC', and 'Tables' sections. Under 'Tables', the 'TRIPS' table is listed, and below it, the 'TRIPS\_DEV' table is highlighted with a red box. A message 'No Views in this Schema' is displayed. To the right, a preview of a SQL query is shown, with lines 76 through 91 visible, ending with a 'create' command. The top navigation bar has tabs for 'Worksheet 1' and 'Worksheet 2', with 'Worksheet 2' being active.

# Module 6: Working With Semi-Structured Data, Views, JOIN

NOTE - The first steps here are similar to prior Modules 3 (Preparing to Load Data) and 4 (Loading Data) but we will do most of it via SQL in the worksheet, as opposed to via the UI, to save time.

Going back to the lab “story”, the Citi Bike analytics team wants to see how weather impacts ride counts. To do this, in this module we will:

- Load weather data in JSON format held in a public S3 bucket
- Create a View and query the semi-structured data using SQL dot notation
- Run a query that joins the JSON data to the TRIPS data from a prior module of this guide
- See how weather impacts trip counts

The JSON data consists of weather information provided by [OpenWeatherMap](#) detailing the historical conditions of New York City from 2016-07-05 to 2019-06-25. It is also staged on AWS S3 where the data represents 57.9k rows, 61 objects, and 2.5MB total size compressed.

The raw JSON in GZ files and in a text editor looks like:

```
[{"city": {"coord": {"lat": 43.000351, "lon": -75.499901}, "country": "US", "findname": "NEW YORK", "id": 5128638, "name": "New York", "zoom": 1}, "clouds": {"all": 90}, "main": {"humidity": 93, "pressure": 1008, "temp": 293.47, "temp_max": 295.37, "temp_min": 292.04}, "time": 1561467737, "weather": [{"description": "moderate rain", "icon": "10d", "id": 501, "main": "Rain"}]}, "wind": {"deg": 170, "speed": 4.1}], {"city": {"coord": {"lat": 40.714272, "lon": -74.005966}, "country": "US", "findname": "NEW YORK", "id": 5128581, "name": "New York", "zoom": 1}, "clouds": {"all": 90}, "main": {"humidity": 94, "pressure": 1010, "temp": 295.16, "temp_max": 296.15, "temp_min": 294.15}, "time": 1561467737, "weather": [{"description": "light rain", "icon": "10d", "id": 500, "main": "Rain"}, {"description": "mist", "icon": "50d", "id": 701, "main": "Mist"}]}, "wind": {"deg": 0, "speed": 2.1}], {"city": {"coord": {"lat": 43.000351, "lon": -75.499901}, "country": "US", "findname": "NEW YORK", "id": 5128638, "name": "New York", "zoom": 1}, "clouds": {"all": 90}, "main": {"humidity": 94, "pressure": 1008, "temp": 294.58, "temp_max": 297.04, "temp_min": 292.04}, "time": 1561471336, "weather": [{"description": "overcast clouds", "icon": "04d", "id": 804, "main": "Clouds"}]}, "wind": {"deg": 270, "speed": 3.1}], {"city": {"coord": {"lat": 40.714272, "lon": -74.005966}, "country": "US", "findname": "NEW YORK", "id": 5128581, "name": "New York", "zoom": 1}, "clouds": {"all": 90}, "main": {"humidity": 100, "pressure": 1010, "temp": 295.37, "temp_max": 296.48, "temp_min": 294.26}, "time": 1561471336, "weather": [{"description": "mist", "icon": "50d", "id": 701, "main": "Mist"}]}, "wind": {"deg": 170.797, "speed": 0.4}]}
```

## SEMI-STRUCTURED DATA



Snowflake can easily load and query semi-structured data, such as JSON, Parquet, or Avro, without transformation. This is important because an increasing amount of business-relevant data being generated today is semi-structured, and many traditional data warehouses cannot easily load and query this sort of data. With Snowflake it is easy!

## 6.1 Create a Database and Table

6.1.1 First, via the Worksheet, let's create a database called WEATHER that will be used for storing the unstructured data.

```
create database weather;
```

6.1.2 Set the context appropriately within the Worksheet.

```
use role sysadmin;
use warehouse compute_wh;
use database weather;
use schema public;
```

6.1.3 Via the worksheet, let's now create a table called JSON\_WEATHER\_DATA that will be used for loading the JSON data. In the worksheet, run the SQL text below. Snowflake has a special column type called VARIANT which will allow us to store the entire JSON object and eventually query it directly.

```
create table json_weather_data (v variant);
```



**Semi-Structured Data Magic**

Snowflake's VARIANT data type allows Snowflake to ingest semi-structured data without having to pre-define the schema.

6.1.4 Verify that your table JSON\_WEATHER\_DATA has been created. At the bottom of the worksheet you should see a "Results" section which says "Table JSON\_WEATHER\_DATA successfully created"

Results		Data Preview
<span>✓</span> Query_ID		SQL
		282ms
Filter result...		1 rows
<span>✓</span>	Query_ID	SQL
		282ms
		1 rows
		<a href="#">Download</a> <a href="#">Copy</a>
Row		status
1		Table JSON_WEATHER_DATA successfully created.

- 6.1.5 At the top of the page, go to the Databases tab and then click on the “WEATHER” database link. You should see your newly created JSON\_WEATHER\_DATA table.

Table Name	Schema	Creation Time	Owner
JSON_WEATHER_DATA	PUBLIC	4:39:33 PM	SYSADMIN

## 6.2 Create an External Stage

- 6.2.1 Via the Worksheet create a stage from where the unstructured data is stored on AWS S3.

```
create stage nyc_weather
url = 's3://snowflake-workshop-lab/weather-nyc';
```

- 6.2.2 Now let's take a look at the contents of the nyc\_weather stage. At the top of the page, click on the Worksheets tab. In the worksheet, then execute the following statement with a LIST command to see the list of files:

```
list @nyc_weather;
```

You should see the output in the Results window in the bottom pane showing many gz files from S3:

Results Data Preview					
Query ID		SQL	581ms	61 rows	
Filter result...				Columns ▾	
Row	name	size	md5	last_modified	
1	s3://snowflake-workshop-lab/weather...	40905	79638b8890d72e7d9bae14e3db6d28...	Tue, 25 Jun 2019 21:40:55 GMT	
2	s3://snowflake-workshop-lab/weather...	42150	76fcfd16208b4ca385fbbafe6fedff0b5	Tue, 25 Jun 2019 21:40:55 GMT	
3	s3://snowflake-workshop-lab/weather...	43130	57ee5eae2ff354f9fffe3e3740f9b2c3	Tue, 25 Jun 2019 21:40:55 GMT	
4	s3://snowflake-workshop-lab/weather...	42132	cfc162be5002f95f71999b287608fb72	Tue, 25 Jun 2019 21:40:55 GMT	
5	s3://snowflake-workshop-lab/weather...	80842	ea4b3e62c759f610c9f46505201910f1	Tue, 25 Jun 2019 21:40:56 GMT	

## 6.3 Loading and Verifying the Unstructured Data

For this section, we will use a warehouse to load the data from the S3 bucket into the Snowflake table we just created.

- 6.3.1 Via the worksheet, run a COPY command to load the data into the JSON\_WEATHER\_DATA table we created earlier.

Note how in the SQL here we can specify a FILE FORMAT object inline. In the prior module where we loaded structured data, we had to define a file format in detail. But because the JSON data here is well-formatted, we use default settings and simply specify the JSON type.

```
copy into json_weather_data
from @nyc_weather
file_format = (type=json);
```

- 6.3.2 Take a look at the data that has been loaded.

```
select * from json_weather_data limit 10;
```

Results		Data Preview
✓	Query_ID	SQL
	305ms	<div style="width: 20%; background-color: #ccc; height: 10px;"></div>
		10 rows
Row	V	
1	{ "city": { "coord": { "lat": 43.000351, "lon": -75.499901 }, "country": "US", "findname": "NEW YORK", "id": 5128638, }	
2	{ "city": { "coord": { "lat": 40.714272, "lon": -74.005966 }, "country": "US", "findname": "NEW YORK", "id": 5128581, }	
3	{ "city": { "coord": { "lat": 43.000351, "lon": -75.499901 }, "country": "US", "findname": "NEW YORK", "id": 5128638, }	
4	{ "city": { "coord": { "lat": 40.714272, "lon": -74.005966 }, "country": "US", "findname": "NEW YORK", "id": 5128581, }	
5	{ "city": { "coord": { "lat": 43.000351, "lon": -75.499901 }, "country": "US", "findname": "NEW YORK", "id": 5128638, }	

- 6.3.3 Click on one of the values. Notice how the data is stored in raw JSON format. Click “Done” when finished.

**Details**

```

1 {
2   "city": {
3     "coord": {
4       "lat": 43.000351,
5       "lon": -75.499901
6     },
7     "country": "US",
8     "findname": "NEW YORK",
9     "id": 5128638,
10    "langs": [
11      {
12        "abbr": "NY"
13      }

```

**Done**

## 6.4 Create a View and Query Semi-Structured Data

Let's look at how Snowflake allows us to create a view and also query the JSON data directly using SQL.

### Views & Materialized Views

A View allows the result of a query to be accessed as if it were a table. Views can help you: present data to end users in a cleaner manner (like in this lab we will present “ugly” JSON in a columnar format), limit what end users can view in a source table for privacy/security reasons, or write more modular SQL.



There are also Materialized Views in which SQL results are stored, almost as though the results were a table. This allows faster access, but requires storage space. Materialized Views require Snowflake Enterprise Edition or higher.

- 6.4.1 From the Worksheet tab, go into the worksheet and run the following command. It will create a view of the unstructured JSON weather data in a columnar view so it is easier for analysts to understand and query. FYI - the city ID for New York City is 5128638.

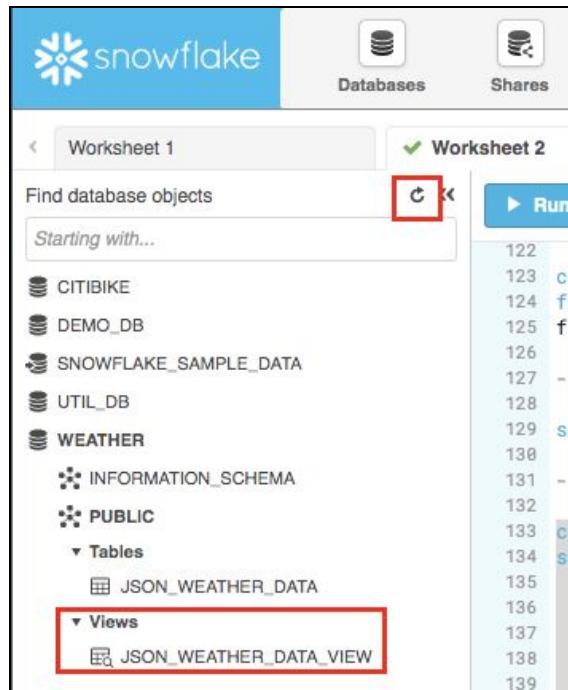
```
create view json_weather_data_view as
select
v:time::timestamp as observation_time,
v:city.id::int as city_id,
v:city.name::string as city_name,
v:city.country::string as country,
v:city.coord.lat::float as city_lat,
v:city.coord.lon::float as city_lon,
v:clouds.all::int as clouds,
(v:main.temp::float)-273.15 as temp_avg,
(v:main.temp_min::float)-273.15 as temp_min,
```

```

(v:main.temp_max::float)-273.15 as temp_max,
v:weather[0].main::string as weather,
v:weather[0].description::string as weather_desc,
v:weather[0].icon::string as weather_icon,
v:wind.deg::float as wind_dir,
v:wind.speed::float as wind_speed
from json_weather_data
where city_id = 5128638;

```

- 6.4.2 The prior step showed how you can use SQL dot notation (**v.city.coord.lat**) to pull out values at lower levels in the JSON hierarchy. This allows us to treat each field as if it were a column in a relational table.
- 6.4.3 Verify the view at the top left of the UI where the new view should appear just under the table json\_weather\_data. You may need to expand and and/or refresh the database objects browser in order to see it.



- 6.4.4 Via the worksheet, verify the view with the following query. Notice the results look just like a regular structured data source (NOTE - your result set may have different observation\_time values)

```

select * from json_weather_data_view
where date_trunc('month',observation_time) = '2018-01-01'
limit 20;

```

Results Data Preview

✓ Query\_ID SQL 352ms 20 rows

Filter result...

Row	OBSERVATION_TIME	CITY_ID	CITY_NAME	COUNTRY	CITY_LAT	CITY_LON	CLOUDS
1	2018-01-03 01:02:38.000	5128638	New York	US	43.000351	-75.499901	90
2	2018-01-03 02:05:20.000	5128638	New York	US	43.000351	-75.499901	90
3	2018-01-15 13:04:58.000	5128638	New York	US	43.000351	-75.499901	1
4	2018-01-15 14:03:24.000	5128638	New York	US	43.000351	-75.499901	1
5	2018-01-14 04:02:46.000	5128638	New York	US	43.000351	-75.499901	1
6	2018-01-14 05:04:41.000	5128638	New York	US	43.000351	-75.499901	1

## 6.5 Use a Join Operation to Correlate Against Data Sets

We will now join the JSON weather data to our CITIBIKE.PUBLIC.TRIPS data to determine the answer to our original question of how weather impacts the number of rides.

- 6.5.1 Run the command below to join WEATHER to TRIPS and count the number of trips associated with certain weather conditions .

Note - Since we are still in a worksheet use the WEATHER database as default, we will fully qualify our reference to the TRIPS table by providing its database and schema name.

```
select weather as conditions
    ,count(*) as num_trips
  from citibike.public.trips
left outer join json_weather_data_view
    on date_trunc('hour', observation_time) = date_trunc('hour', starttime)
  where conditions is not null
  group by 1 order by 2 desc;
```

Results Data Preview

✓ Query\_ID SQL 435ms 10 rows

Filter result...   Columns ▾

Row	CONDITIONS	NUM_TRIPS
1	Clear	9249531
2	Clouds	8934964
3	Rain	3206720
4	Snow	1380418
5	Mist	798487
6	Fog	362496
7	Thunderstorm	230539
8	Drizzle	98779
9	Haze	40724
10	Smoke	2871

- 6.5.2 The Citi Bike initial goal was to see if there was any correlation between the number of bike rides and weather by analyzing both ridership and weather data. Per the table above we have a clear answer. As one would imagine, the number of trips is significantly higher when the weather is good!

For the rest of this lab, we will look at other capabilities of Snowflake.

## Module 7: Using Time Travel

Snowflake's Time Travel capability enables accessing historical data at any point within a pre-configurable period of time. The default period of time is 24 hours and with Snowflake Enterprise Edition it can be up to 90 days. Most data warehouses cannot offer this functionality; with Snowflake it is easy!

Some useful applications of this include:

- Restoring data-related objects (tables, schemas, and databases) that may have been accidentally or intentionally deleted
- Duplicating and backing up data from key points in the past
- Analysing data usage/manipulation over specified periods of time

### 7.1 Drop and Undrop a Table

First let's see how we can restore data objects that have been accidentally or intentionally deleted.

- 7.1.1 From the worksheet, run the following command which will drop (remove) the json\_weather\_data table:

```
drop table json_weather_data;
```

- 7.1.2 Now run a SELECT statement on the json\_weather\_data table. In the "Results" pane you should see an error because the underlying table has been dropped.

```
select * from json_weather_data limit 10;
```

The screenshot shows the "Results" pane of a Snowflake worksheet. At the top, there are tabs for "Results" and "Data Preview". Below the tabs, there is a header row with columns for "Query ID", "SQL", and execution time "43ms". A progress bar is shown next to the execution time. The main area of the pane displays the error message: "SQL compilation error: Object 'JSON\_WEATHER\_DATA' does not exist." in red text.

- 7.1.3 Now restore the table:

```
undrop table json_weather_data;
```

- 7.1.4 The json\_weather\_data table should be restored.

Results		Data Preview		
✓	Query_ID	SQL	101ms	1 rows
<input type="text" value="Filter result..."/>				<input type="button" value="CSV"/> <input type="button" value="Copy"/>
Row	status			
1	Table JSON_WEATHER_DATA successfully restored.			

## 7.2 Roll Back a Table

Now let's look rolling back a table to a previous state to fix an unintentional DML error that replaces all the station names in the Citibike database TRIPS table with the word "oops."

7.2.1 First make sure the worksheet is in the proper context:

```
use role sysadmin;
use warehouse compute_wh;
use database citibike;
use schema public;
```

7.2.2 Then run the following command that replaces all the station names in the table with the word "oops".

```
update trips set start_station_name = 'oops';
```

7.2.3 Now run a query that returns the top 20 stations by # of rides - notice how we've screwed up the station names so we only get one row:

```
select
start_station_name as "station",
count(*) as "rides"
from trips
group by 1
order by 2 desc
limit 20;
```

Results		Data Preview		
✓	Query_ID	SQL	718ms	1 rows
<input type="text" value="Filter result..."/>				<input type="button" value="CSV"/> <input type="button" value="Copy"/> Columns ▾ <input type="button" value="x"/>
Row	station			
1	oops			
	rides			
	61468359			

- 7.2.4 Normally, we would need to scramble and hope we have a backup lying around. But in Snowflake, we can simply run commands to find the query ID of the last UPDATE command & store it in a variable called \$QUERY\_ID...

```
set query_id =
(select query_id from
table(information_schema.query_history_by_session (result_limit=>5))
where query_text like 'update%' order by start_time limit 1);
```

- 7.2.5 Then re-create the table as of before the update:

```
create or replace table trips as
(select * from trips before (statement => $query_id));
```

- 7.2.6 Run the SELECT statement again to check that the station names have been restored:

```
select
start_station_name as "station",
count(*) as "rides"
from trips
group by 1
order by 2 desc
limit 20;
```

Row	station	rides
1	Pershing Square North	491951
2	E 17 St & Broadway	481065
3	W 21 St & 6 Ave	458626
4	8 Ave & W 31 St	438001
5	West St & Chambers St	432518

# Module 8: Roles Based Access Controls and Account Admin

In this module we will show some aspects of Snowflake roles based access control (RBAC), including creating a new role and granting it specific permissions. We will also cover the ACCOUNTADMIN (aka Account Administrator) role.

To continue with the Citi Bike story, let's assume a junior DBA has joined Citi Bike and we want to create a new role for them with less privileges than the system-defined, default role of SYSADMIN. Let's now do that.

## Roles-Based Access Control (RBAC)



Snowflake offers very powerful and granular RBAC which can control what objects and capabilities a role or user can access, and what level of access they have. For more detail, see the documentation at <https://docs.snowflake.net/manuals/user-guide/security-access-control.html>

## 8.1 Create New Role and Add User to it

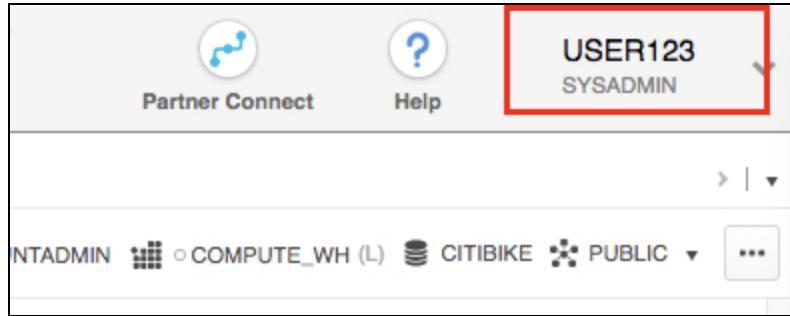
- 8.1.1 In the worksheet let's switch to the ACCOUNTADMIN role to create a new role. This role encapsulates the SYSADMIN and SECURITYADMIN system-defined roles. It is the top-level role in the system and should be granted only to a limited/controlled number of users in your account. In the worksheet, run:

```
use role accountadmin;
```

When done, notice at the top right of the worksheet, the worksheet context has changed so now the role is ACCOUNTADMIN



- 8.1.2 In order for any role to function, we need at least one user assigned to it. So let's create a new role called "junior\_dba" and assign your user name to it. This is the user name you created when you first opened your 30-day free trial Snowflake account. This name also appears at the top right of the UI. In the screenshot below it is "USER123". Of course yours will be different. Make a note of your user name.



### 8.1.3 Let's now create the role and add a user to it with your unique user name:

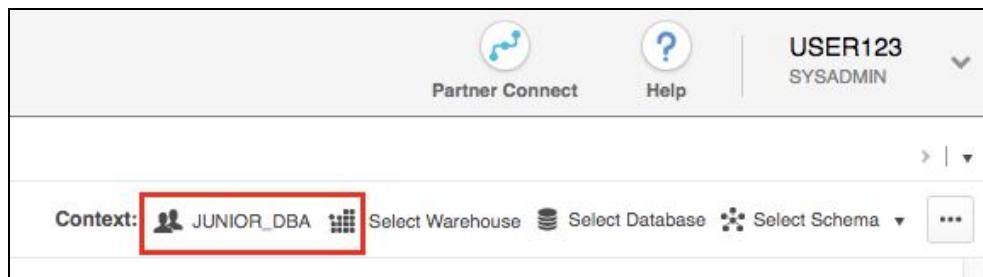
```
create role junior_dba;  
grant role junior_dba to user YOUR_USER_NAME_Goes HERE;
```

NOTE - if you tried to perform this operation while in a role like SYSADMIN, it would fail due to insufficient privileges as the SYSADMIN role by default cannot create new roles or users.

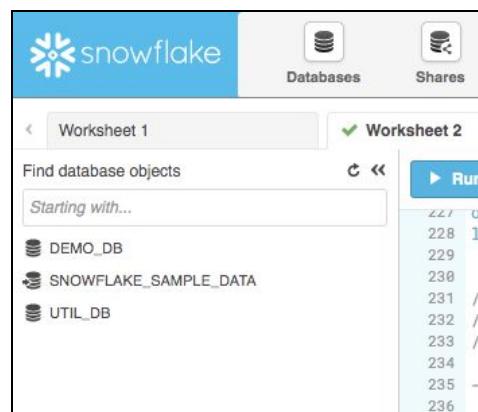
### 8.1.4 Change your worksheet context to the new junior\_dba role

```
use role junior_dba;
```

At the top right of the worksheet, note that the context has changed to reflect the junior\_dba role



### 8.1.5 On the left side of the UI in the database object browser pane, notice that both the Citibike and Weather databases do not appear. This is because the junior\_dba role does not have access to view them.



- 8.1.6 Let's switch back to the ACCOUNTADMIN role and grant the junior\_dba the ability to view and use the CITIBIKE and WEATHER databases

```
use role accountadmin;
grant usage on database citibike to role junior_dba;
grant usage on database weather to role junior_dba;
```

- 8.1.7 Switch to the junior\_dba role and at the left in the database object browser, note the Citibike and Weather databases now appear. Click the refresh icon if they do not appear.

```
use role junior_dba;
```

The screenshot shows the Snowflake UI with the 'Databases' tab selected. On the left, there are two worksheets: 'Worksheet 1' and 'Worksheet 2'. A search bar says 'Starting with...'. Below it, a list of databases is shown, each with a small database icon. The 'CITIBIKE' and 'WEATHER' databases are highlighted with red boxes. To the right of the database list is a vertical list of numbers from 227 to 236.

## 8.2 Account Administrator View

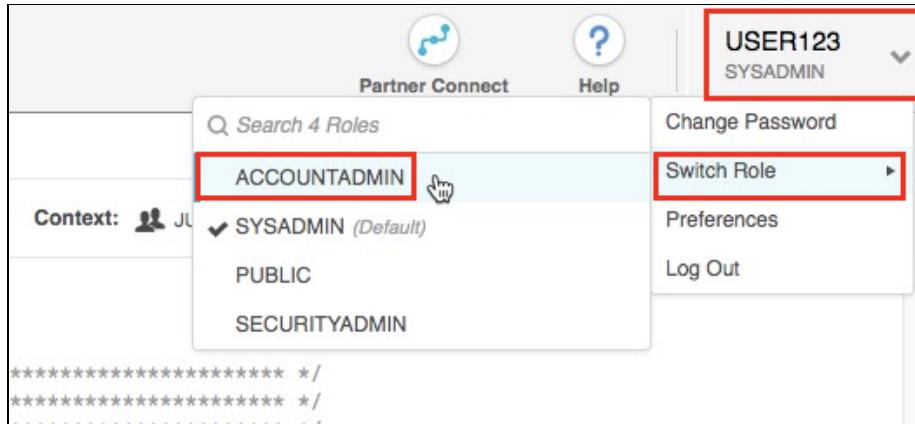
Let's change our security role for the session to ACCOUNTADMIN to see other parts of the UI only this role can see.

### **Roles in User Preference vs Worksheet**



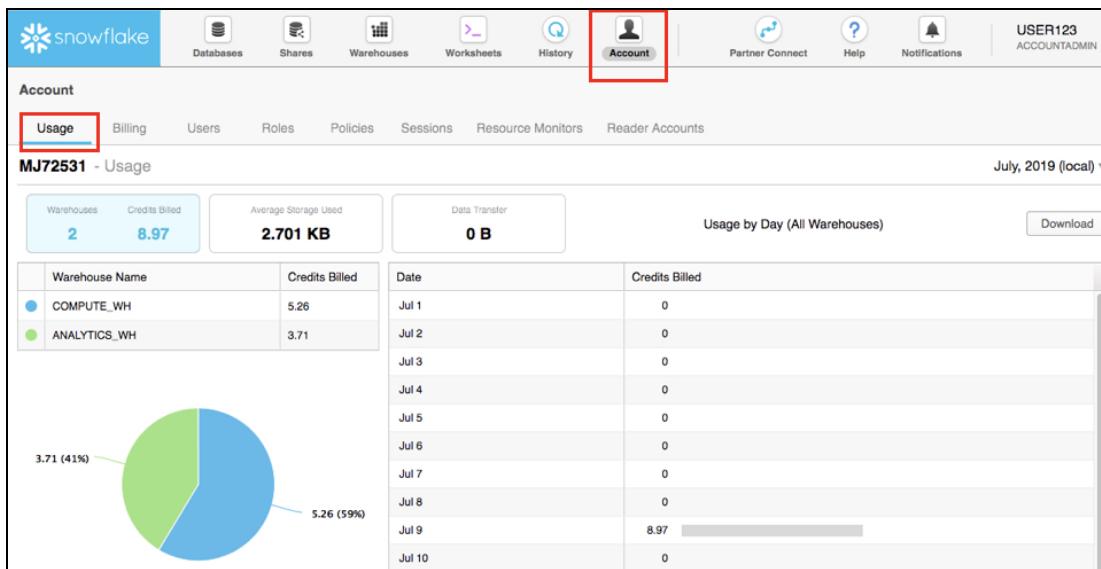
We just changed the security role for the session in the user preference menu at the top right of the UI. This changes what we can see in the UI. This is different than the worksheet context menu where we assign a role that is applied to the commands run on that specific worksheet. Also, session security role can simultaneously be different from the role used in a worksheet.

- 8.2.1 In the top right corner of the UI, click on your user name to show the User Preferences menu. Then go to Switch Role, then select the ACCOUNTADMIN role.



- 8.2.2 Notice at the very top of the UI you will now see a sixth tab called “Account” that you can only view in the ACCOUNTADMIN role.

Click on this Account tab. Then towards the top of this page click on “Usage” which by default already appears! Here you see detail on credits, storage, and daily usage.



- 8.2.3 To the right of “Usage” is “Billing” where you can add a credit card if you want to go beyond your free \$400 worth of credits for this free trial. Further to the right is information on Users, Roles, and Resource Monitors. The latter set limits on your account's credit consumption so you can appropriately monitor and manage credit consumption.

NOTE - Stay in the ACCOUNTADMIN role for the next module.

## Module 9: Data Sharing

Snowflake enables account-to-account sharing of data through *shares*, which are created by data providers and “imported” by data consumers, either through their own Snowflake account or a provisioned Snowflake Reader account. The consumer could be an external entity/partner, or a different internal business unit which is required to have its own, unique Snowflake account.

With Data Sharing –

- There is only one copy of data, which lives in the data provider’s account
- Shared data is always live, real-time and immediately available to consumers
- Providers can establish revocable, fine-grained access grants to shares
- Data sharing is simple and secure, especially compared to the “old” way of sharing data which was often manual and involved transferring large .csv across the Internet in a manner that might be insecure

Note - Data Sharing currently only supported between accounts in the same Snowflake Provider and Region

One example of data sharing is that Snowflake uses secure data sharing to share account usage data and sample data sets with all Snowflake accounts. In this capacity, Snowflake acts as the provider of the data and all other accounts act as the consumers. In your Snowflake environment you can easily see this and we walk through this in the next section.

## 9.1 See Existing Shares

- 9.1.1 Click on the blue Snowflake logo at the very top left of the UI. On the left side of the UI in the database object browser, notice the database “SNOWFLAKE\_SAMPLE\_DATA”, The small arrow on the database icon indicates this is a share.

The screenshot shows the Snowflake UI with the database object browser open. At the top, there's a blue header bar with the Snowflake logo. Below it, the main interface has tabs for 'Databases' and 'Shares'. The 'Databases' tab is selected. In the center, there are two worksheets: 'Worksheet 1' and 'Worksheet 2'. A search bar says 'Find database objects' with 'Starting with...' placeholder text. Below the search bar is a list of databases: CITIBIKE, DEMO\_DB, SNOWFLAKE\_SAMPLE\_DATA (which is highlighted with a red box), UTIL\_DB, and WEATHER. To the right of the database list is a vertical number column from 1 to 9. At the bottom of the browser, there are navigation arrows and a 'Run' button.

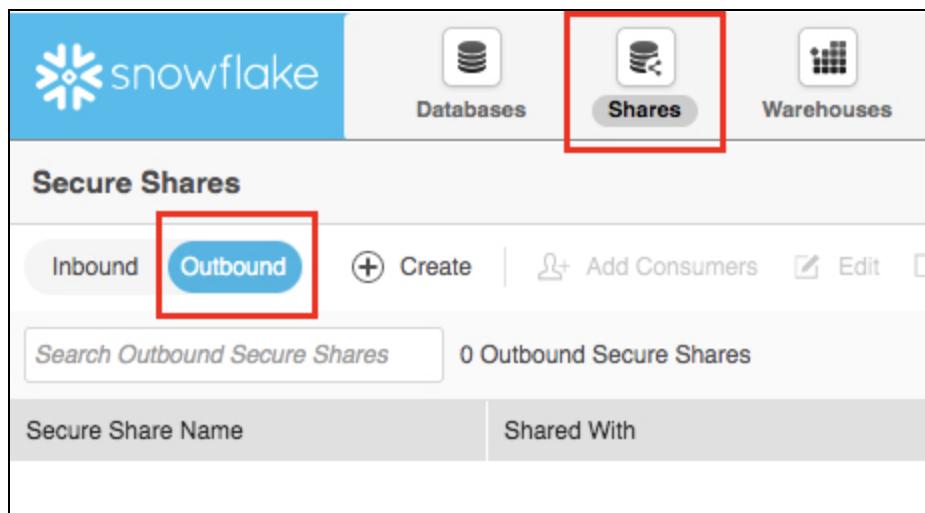
- 9.1.2 At the top right of the UI verify you are in the ACCOUNTADMIN role. Then at the top of the UI click on the Shares tab. Notice on this page you are looking at your Inbound Secure Shares and there are two shares shared by Snowflake with your account. One contains your account usage and the other has sample data you can use. This is data sharing in action - your Snowflake account is a consumer of data shared/provided by Snowflake!

The screenshot shows the 'Shares' page in the Snowflake UI. At the top, there's a navigation bar with the Snowflake logo and tabs for 'Databases', 'Shares' (which is highlighted with a red box), 'Warehouses', 'Worksheets', 'History', and 'Account'. Below the navigation bar, the title 'Secure Shares' is displayed. There are tabs for 'Inbound' (which is selected) and 'Outbound'. A 'Create' button and a 'Create Database From Secure Share' link are also present. A search bar shows 'Search Inbound Secure Shares' with '2 Inbound Secure Shares' results. The results table has columns: 'Secure Share Name', 'Shared By', 'Database', 'Creation Time', and 'Owner'. Two rows are listed: 'ACCOUNT\_USAGE' (Shared By: SNOWFLAKE, Database: SNOWFLAKE, Creation Time: 6.Nov.2018 1:18 PM) and 'SAMPLE\_DATA' (Shared By: SFC\_SAMPLES, Database: SNOWFLAKE\_SAMPLE..., Creation Time: 31.Oct.2018 1:27 PM). The 'ACCOUNT\_USAGE' row is highlighted with a red box.

## 9.2 Create an Outbound Share

9.2.1 Let's go back to the Citi Bike story and assume we are the Account Administrator for Snowflake at Citi Bike. We have a trusted partner who wants to do perform data science on the data in our TRIPS database on a near real-time basis to further analyze it. This partner also has their own Snowflake account in our region. So let's use Snowflake Data Sharing to share this data with them so they can analyze it.

At the top of the UI click on the Shares tab. Then, further down on the page click on the "Outbound" button.



9.2.2 Click on the "Create" button and in the fields that appear, fill them out as shown below.

- For "Secure Share Name" enter "TRIPS\_SHARE"
- For "Database" you will use the drop-down to select "CITIBIKE"
- For "Tables & Views" you will use the database object browser to browse to CITIBIKE > PUBLIC > TRIPS.
- Click on the blue "Apply" button

The screenshot shows the Snowflake web interface for managing Secure Shares. At the top, there are navigation tabs: Databases, Shares (highlighted in blue), Warehouses, Worksheets, History, and Account. Below the tabs, a header bar includes 'Secure Shares' (with a dropdown arrow), 'Last refreshed 5:50:28 PM' (with a refresh icon), and account-related icons.

In the main area, there are two tabs: 'Inbound' and 'Outbound'. The 'Outbound' tab is selected and highlighted with a red box around its button. Below the tabs are buttons for 'Add Consumers', 'Edit', and 'Drop'. A search bar says 'Search Outbound Secure Sh...' and displays '0 Outbound Secure Shares'. To the right is a 'Columns' dropdown.

A table header row shows columns: 'Secure Share Name', 'Shared With', 'Database', '↓ Create...', 'Owner', and 'Comment'. The '↓ Create...' column contains a downward arrow icon.

Below the table, a section titled 'Create a Secure Share and add Database objects to it' provides instructions: 'A Secure Share is a package or container comprising Database objects that contain the data you want to share. Once you setup Tables or Secure Views in the Database, ready with the data you intend to share, you can add them to the Secure Share.' A callout box contains the text: 'Have you prepared the data? Identify and prepare data you want to include in the Secure Share. Learn more about preparing data.'

The 'Create' form is displayed. It has a 'Create' heading and a sub-instruction: 'Select a Database and Schemas. Select Tables or Views within each Schema to add to the Secure Share.' The form fields are:

- 'Secure Share Name': TRIPS\_SHARE
- 'Database': CITIBIKE
- 'Tables & Views':
  - 'Select Tables & Secure Views': CITIBIKE.PUBLIC.TRIPS
  - 'Count': 1 Table, 0 Secure Views
  - 'Remove All'
- 'Comment': (empty text area)

At the bottom of the form are 'Show SQL' and 'Create' buttons. The 'Create' button is highlighted with a red box.

### 9.2.3 Click on the blue “Create” button at the bottom of the box.

Note the window indicates the Secure share was created successfully.

The screenshot shows the Snowflake web interface under the 'Shares' tab. A modal window titled 'Review the Secure Share, Preview Tables & Validate Secure Views' is open. It displays a success message: "'TRIPS\_SHARE' Secure share was created successfully!'. Below this, there's a 'Data Preview' section with a 'Warehouse' dropdown set to 'ANALYTICS\_WH (L) Suspended (auto resume)' and a 'Table or View' dropdown set to 'Select a Table or View'. A preview button is visible. At the bottom of the modal, there are 'Show SQL', 'Done', and 'Next: Add Consumers' buttons.

In the real-world, the Citi Bike Account Administrator would click on the “Next: Add Consumers” blue button to add information on their partner’s Snowflake account name and type. But since in the lab we are just using our own account, we will stop here.

#### 9.2.4 Click on the “Done” button at the bottom of the box.

Note this page now shows the “TRIPS\_SHARE” secure share. It only took seconds to give other accounts access to data in Snowflake in a secure manner with no copies of the data having to be made!

The screenshot shows the Snowflake web interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with icons for Databases, Shares (which is selected), Warehouses, Worksheets, History, Account, Partner Connect, Help, and Notifications. Below the navigation bar, the title "Secure Shares" is displayed, along with a timestamp "Last refreshed 6:05:47 PM" and a refresh button.

The main area shows a table titled "Outbound Secure Shares". It has one row, labeled "TRIPS\_SHARE". The columns are: Secure Share Name, Shared With, Database, Created, Owner, and Comment. The "Shared With" column shows "CITIBIKE". The "Database" column shows "CITIBIKE". The "Created" column shows "6:05:44 ...". The "Owner" column shows "ACCOU...". The "Comment" column is empty.

To the right of the table, a detailed view of the "TRIPS\_SHARE" share is shown. It includes the following information:

Type	OUTBOUND
Owner	ACCOUNTADMIN
Creation Time	9.Jul.2019
Database	CITIBIKE

At the bottom right of the table area, there's a button that says "Add consumers to access your Secure Data Share".

Lastly, note that Snowflake provides several ways to securely share data without compromising confidentiality. You can share not only tables and views, but also Secure Views, Secure UDFs (User Defined Functions), and Secure Joins. For more details on how to use these methods for sharing data while preventing access to sensitive information, see the Snowflake documentation.

Congratulations, you are now done with this lab! Let's wrap things up in the next, and final, section.

## Summary & Next Steps

This tutorial was designed as a hands-on introduction to Snowflake to simultaneously teach you how to use it, while showcasing some of its key capabilities and differentiators. We covered how to navigate the UI, create databases and warehouses, load & query structured and semi-structured data, perform zero-copy cloning, undo user errors, RBAC, and data sharing.

We encourage you to continue with your free trial by loading in your own sample or production data and by using some of the more advanced capabilities of Snowflake not covered in this lab. There are several ways Snowflake can help you with this:

- At the very top of the UI click on the “Partner Connect” icon to get access to trial/free ETL and BI tools to help you get more data into Snowflake and then analyze it
- Read the “Definitive Guide to Maximizing Your Free Trial” document at: <https://www.snowflake.com/test-driving-snowflake-the-definitive-guide-to-maximizing-your-free-trial/>
- Attend a Snowflake virtual or in-person event to learn more about our capabilities and how customers use us <https://www.snowflake.com/about/events/>
- Contact Sales to learn more <https://www.snowflake.com/free-trial-contact-sales/>

## Resetting Your Snowflake Environment

Lastly, if you would like to reset your environment by deleting all the objects created as part of this lab, run the SQL below in a worksheet.

Run this SQL to set the worksheet context:

```
use role accountadmin;
use warehouse compute_wh;
use database weather;
use schema public;
```

Then run this SQL to drop all the objects we created in the lab:

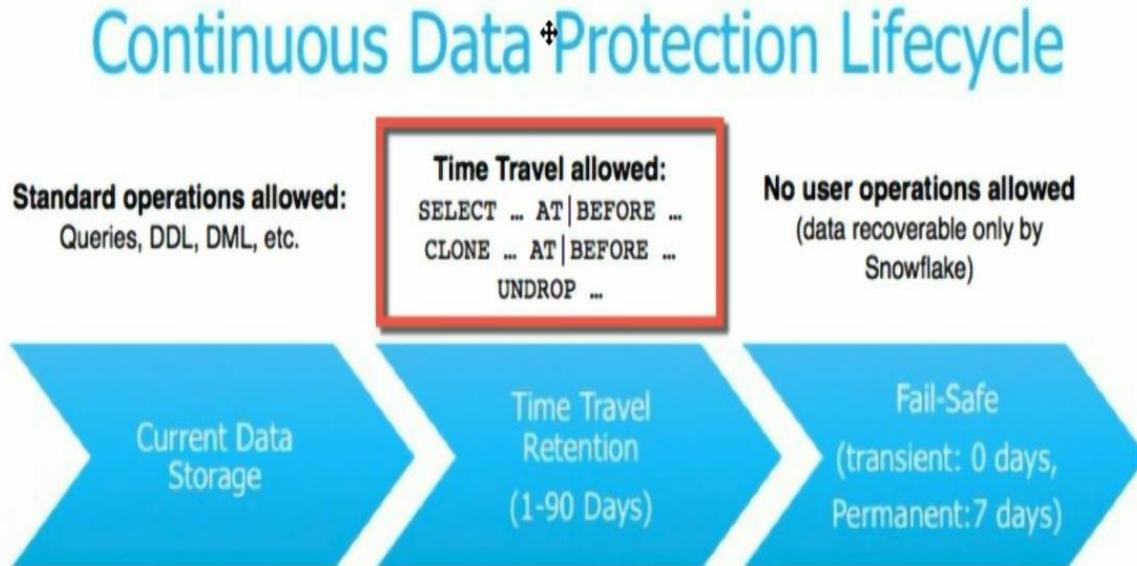
```
drop share if exists trips_share;
drop database if exists citibike;
drop database if exists weather;
drop warehouse if exists analytics_wh;
drop role if exists junior_dba;
```

# TIME TRAVEL

## Time Travel:

- It is the feature which allows a user to access the data back in history with a defined period - **RETENTION PERIOD ~ 1 - 90 days, Default 1**
- Time travel helps to protect data from loss of data due to (intentional or unintentional) update or delete operations.
- Protects from data errors resulting during various operations (writing, processing, batch execution, production installs) due to which unwanted changes can also go in the database.
- Features:
  - Can go in the past and retrieve/select data via
    - Exact timestamp in the past
    - Using offset e.g in last few hours
    - Using query ID. example - get the data before a query execution.
    - Select data using time travel **AT | BEFORE**
    - Clone data using time travel **AT | BEFORE**
  - Restores tables, schemas and databases.
    - UNDROP

## How Time Travel works?



Let's understand in practical step by step

Please read the description in account level as shown below to understand better

SAI\_K.DEMO ▾ Settings ▾

```
1 | show parameters like '%retention%' in account;
```

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↳ Results ▾ Chart

	key	value	default	level	description
1	DATA_RETENTION_TIME_IN_DAYS	1	1		number of days to retain the old version of deleted/updated data
2	MIN_DATA_RETENTION_TIME_IN_DAYS	0	0		Minimum allowable data retention time for an account. The effec

Default is 1 and 0, Value can be 1 to 90 days

We can alter as well

```
3 | alter account set DATA_RETENTION_TIME_IN_DAYS = 1 ;
4 | alter account set MIN_DATA_RETENTION_TIME_IN_DAYS = 2 ;
5 |
```

↳ Results ▾ Chart

	status
1	Statement executed successfully.

4 |

```
5 | show parameters like '%retention%' in account;
6 |
```

↳ Results ▾ Chart

	key	value	default	level	description
1	DATA_RETENTION_TIME_IN_DAYS	1	1	ACCOUNT	number of days to retain the old version of deleted/updated data
2	MIN_DATA_RETENTION_TIME_IN_DAYS	2	0	ACCOUNT	Minimum allowable data retention time for an account. The effec

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Let's check in DB level

```
o  
7 | show parameters like '%retention%' in database;  
  
↳ Results  ↵ Chart
```

	key	value	default	level	description
1	DATA_RETENTION_TIME_IN_DAYS	1	1	ACCOUNT	number of days to retain the old version of deleted/updated data

Only DATA\_RETENTION\_TIME\_IN\_DAYS is in account level implies

MIN\_DATA\_RETENTION\_TIME\_IN\_DAYS can't be altered in DB, let's check

```
8 |  
9 | alter database set DATA_RETENTION_TIME_IN_DAYS = 5 ;  
10 |  
  
↳ Results  ↵ Chart
```

	status
1	Statement executed successfully.

```
.3 | alter database set MIN_DATA_RETENTION_TIME_IN_DAYS = 1 ;  
.4 |  
.5 |  
  
↳ Results  ↵ Chart
```



SQL access control error:

Insufficient privileges to operate on database 'SAI\_K'

```
7 | show parameters like '%retention%' in database;  
  
↳ Results  ↵ Chart
```

	key	value	default	level	description
1	DATA_RETENTION_TIME_IN_DAYS	5	1	DATABASE	number of days to retain the old version of deleted/updated data

Let's see for schemas

```
12  
13 | show parameters like '%retention%' in schema;  
14 |  
  
↳ Results  ↵ Chart
```

	key	value	default	level	description
1	DATA_RETENTION_TIME_IN_DAYS	5	1	DATABASE	number of days to retain the old version of deleted/updated dat.

Here, in schema level also applies the same as that of DB

```
--  
15 | alter schema set DATA_RETENTION_TIME_IN_DAYS = 6 ;  
16 |  
  
↳ Results  ↵ Chart
```

	status
1	Statement executed successfully.

```
--  
17 | alter schema set MIN_DATA_RETENTION_TIME_IN_DAYS = 1 ;  
  
↳ Results  ↵ Chart
```



SQL access control error:

Insufficient privileges to operate on schema 'DEMO'

**Effective retention time =**

Max (data\_retention\_time\_in\_days, min\_data\_retention\_time\_in\_days)

## Let's retrieve data using 'at' & 'before':

Firstly, let's create a table

```
18  
19 | create or replace table income_band as select * from SNOWFLAKE_SAMPLE_DATA.TPCDS_SF100TCL.INCOME_BAND ;  
20
```

↳ Results    ↗ Chart

status	
1	Table INCOME_BAND successfully created.

Query  
Query  
Rows  
Query

```
21 | select * from income_band;
```

↳ Results    ↗ Chart

	IB_INCOME_BAND_SK	IB_LOWER_BOUND	IB_UPPER_BOUND
1	1	0	10000
2	2	10001	20000
3	3	20001	30000
4	4	30001	40000
5	5	40001	50000
6	6	50001	60000
7	7	60001	70000

Query Details  
Query duration 130ms  
Rows 20  
Query ID 01b49acc-0000-a6a6-...  
IB\_INCOME\_BAND\_SK #

Create another table named client

```
23 | create or replace table client  
24 | ( id NUMBER(38,0), first_name VARCHAR(16), last_name VARCHAR(50),  
25 |   sex VARCHAR(1), ethnicity VARCHAR(30), ssn VARCHAR(15),  
26 |   street_address VARCHAR(90), status VARCHAR(10)  
27 | );
```

↳ Results    ↗ Chart

status	
1	Table CLIENT successfully created.

```
30  
31 | insert into client values (111111, 'James', 'Schwartz', 'M', 'American','342-76-9087','5676 Washington Street','ACTIVE') ;  
32 | insert into client values (222222, 'Jessica', 'Escobar', 'F', 'Hispanic','456-93-5629','3234 WateringCan Drive','INACTIVE') ;  
33 | insert into client values (333333, 'Ben', 'Hardy', 'M', 'American','876-98-3245','6578 Historic Circle','INACTIVE') ;  
34 | insert into client values (444444, 'Anjali', 'Singh', 'F', 'Indian American','435-87-6532','8978 Autumn Day Drive','ACTIVE') ;  
35 | insert into client values (555555, 'Dean', 'Tracy', 'M', 'African','767-34-7656','2345 India Street','ACTIVE') ;  
36 |  
37 |
```

↳ Results    ↗ Chart

number of rows inserted	
1	1

Query Details  
Query duration 294ms

```

35
36 | select * from client ;
37
38
39

```

↳ Results ↗ Chart

	ID	FIRST_NAME	LAST_NAME	SEX	ETHINICITY	SSN	STREET_ADDRESS	STATUS
1	111111	James	Schwartz	M	American	342-76-9087	5676 Washington Street	ACTIVE
2	222222	Jessica	Escobar	F	Hispanic	456-93-5629	3234 WateringCan Drive	INACTIVE
3	333333	Ben	Hardy	M	American	876-98-3245	6578 Historic Circle	INACTIVE
4	444444	Anjali	Singh	F	Indian American	435-87-6532	8978 Autumn Day Drive	ACTIVE
5	555555	Dean	Tracy	M	African	767-34-7656	2343 India Street	ACTIVE

**Query Details** ...
   
Query duration 106ms
   
Rows 5
   
Query ID 01b49ad1-0000-a6a6-...

```

37
38 | show parameters like '%time%' ;
39 |

```

Our time zone is America/los\_angeles

→ Results ↗ Chart

key	value	default	level	description
TIMESTAMP_OUTPUT_FORMAT	YYYY-MM-DD HH24:MI:SS.	YYYY-MM-DD		Default display format for all timestamp output.
TIMESTAMP_TYPE_MAPPING	TIMESTAMP_NTZ	TIMESTAMP_NTZ		If TIMESTAMP type is used, what mapping to use.
TIMESTAMP_TZ_OUTPUT_FORMAT				Display format for TIMESTAMP_TZ.
TIMEZONE	America/Los_Angeles	America/Los_Angeles		time zone
TIME_INPUT_FORMAT	AUTO	AUTO		input format for time
TIME_OUTPUT_FORMAT	HH24:MI:SS	HH24:MI:SS		display format for time

**Query Details** ...
   
Query duration 106ms
   
Rows 5
   
Query ID 01b49ad1-0000-a6a6-...

Before performing any accidental operations, first copy your current timestamp aside

```

41
42 | select current_timestamp() ;
43 |

```

↳ Results ↗ Chart

	CURRENT_TIMESTAMP()
1	2024-05-27 01:57:47.217 -0700

Let's perform accidental delete i.e. wanted to delete > 121000 but mistakenly we deleted ib\_lower\_bound>101000 accidentally

```
40 | delete from income_band where ib_lower_bound > 101000;
41 |
```

↳ Results    ↳ Chart

number of rows deleted	
1	9

Copy the query id of above in your notepad

```
40 | delete from income_band where ib_lower_bound > 101000;
41 |
```

↳ Results    ↳ Chart

number of rows deleted	
1	9

Query Details    ...  
Query duration    279ms  
Rows    1  
Query ID    01b49ade-0000-a6a6-...  
  
number of rows deleted    #  
100% filled

Another accidental operation i.e. accidental update, should have been only for Id=222222 i.e. we forgot to set for Id 222222 in table client

```
45 |
44 | update client set status = 'INACTIVE' ;
```

↳ Results    ↳ Chart

number of rows updated		number of multi-joined rows updated	
1	5	0	0

Query Details    ...  
Query duration    279ms  
Rows    1  
Query ID    01b49adb-0000-a6a6-...  
  
number of rows updated    #

Copy the Query ID of above

Now, see the data changes in table i.e. current status

```
46 | select * from income_band ;
47 |
```

↳ Results    ↳ Chart

IB_INCOME_BAND_SK	IB_LOWER_BOUND	IB_UPPER_BOUND
1	0	10000
2	10001	20000
3	20001	30000
4	30001	40000
5	40001	50000
6	50001	60000
-	-----	-----

Query Details    ...  
Query duration    146ms  
Rows    11  
Query ID    01b49ade-0000-a6a6-...  
  
IB\_INCOME\_BAND\_SK    #

```

47
48 | select * from client ;
49
50

```

↳ Results    ↗ Chart

	ID	FIRST_NAME	LAST_NAME	SEX	ETHINICITY	SSN	STREET_ADDRESS	STATUS
1	111111	James	Schwartz	M	American	342-76-9087	5676 Washington Street	INACTIVE
2	222222	Jessica	Escobar	F	Hispanic	456-93-5629	3234 WateringCan Drive	INACTIVE
3	333333	Ben	Hardy	M	American	876-98-3245	6578 Historic Circle	INACTIVE
4	444444	Anjali	Singh	F	Indian American	435-87-6532	8978 Autumn Day Drive	INACTIVE
5	555555	Dean	Tracy	M	African	767-34-7656	2343 India Street	INACTIVE

Query Details    ...  
 Query duration 105ms  
 Rows 5  
 Query ID 01b49ade-0000-a6a6-...  
 ID    #

Now, we can query using time travel BEFORE | AT

Paste your timestamp

```

51
52 | select * from client before (timestamp => '2024-05-27 02:10:04.503 -0700'::timestamp_ltz);
53

```

↳ Results    ↗ Chart

	ID	FIRST_NAME	LAST_NAME	SEX	ETHINICITY	SSN	STREET_ADDRESS	STATUS
1	111111	James	Schwartz	M	American	342-76-9087	5676 Washington Street	ACTIVE
2	222222	Jessica	Escobar	F	Hispanic	456-93-5629	3234 WateringCan Drive	INACTIVE
3	333333	Ben	Hardy	M	American	876-98-3245	6578 Historic Circle	INACTIVE
4	444444	Anjali	Singh	F	Indian American	435-87-6532	8978 Autumn Day Drive	ACTIVE
5	555555	Dean	Tracy	M	African	767-34-7656	2343 India Street	ACTIVE

Query Details    ...  
 Query duration 57ms  
 Rows 5  
 Query ID 01b49ae8-0000-a6ed-...  
 ID    #

Shows 5 rows with correct status as that of without accidental operations

```

54 | select * from income_band before (timestamp => '2024-05-27 02:10:04.503 -0700'::timestamp_ltz);
55
56
57

```

↳ Results    ↗ Chart

	IB_INCOME_BAND_SK	IB_LOWER_BOUND	IB_UPPER_BOUND
1	1	0	10000
2	2	10001	20000
3	3	20001	30000
4	4	30001	40000
5	5	40001	50000
6	6	50001	60000
7	7	60001	70000

Query Details    ...  
 Query duration 47ms  
 Rows 20  
 Query ID 01b49aec-0000-a6ed-...  
 IB\_INCOME\_BAND\_SK    #

Similarly check for the client, you should get all 20 rows

Now, using BEFORE via query ID

Copy your query id as shown

A screenshot of a database query results page. The query is:

```
56 | select * from income_band before (statement => '01b49ae6-0000-a6ed-0000-0007317a9219');
```

The results show a table with three columns: IB\_INCOME\_BAND\_SK, IB\_LOWER\_BOUND, and IB\_UPPER\_BOUND. The data is as follows:

	IB_INCOME_BAND_SK	IB_LOWER_BOUND	IB_UPPER_BOUND
1	1	0	10000
2	2	10001	20000
3	3	20001	30000
4	4	30001	40000
5	5	40001	50000
6	6	50001	60000
7	7	60001	70000

The sidebar on the right shows Query Details: Query duration 82ms, Rows 20, and Query ID 01b49af0-0000-a6a6-0... . There is also a histogram for IB\_INCOME\_BAND\_SK.

We got our 20 rows

A screenshot of a database query results page. The query is:

```
57 |  
58 | select * from client before (statement => '01b49ae6-0000-a6a6-0000-0007317aa049');
```

The results show a table with nine columns: ID, FIRST\_NAME, LAST\_NAME, SEX, ETHNICITY, SSN, STREET\_ADDRESS, STATUS, and a timestamp column. The data is as follows:

	ID	FIRST_NAME	LAST_NAME	SEX	ETHNICITY	SSN	STREET_ADDRESS	STATUS
1	111111	James	Schwartz	M	American	342-76-9087	5676 Washington Street	ACTIVE
2	222222	Jessica	Escobar	F	Hispanic	456-93-5629	3234 WateringCan Drive	INACTIVE
3	333333	Ben	Hardy	M	American	876-98-3245	6578 Historic Circle	INACTIVE
4	444444	Anjali	Singh	F	Indian American	435-87-6532	8978 Autumn Day Drive	ACTIVE
5	555555	Dean	Tracy	M	African	767-34-7656	2343 India Street	ACTIVE

The sidebar on the right shows Query Details: Query duration 76ms, Rows 5, and Query ID 01b49af2-0000-a6ed-0... . There is also a histogram for ID.

We got our 5 rows

Another method using offset

Get the seconds first i.e. difference in seconds of current time and time when we had not accidental operations

A screenshot of a database query results page. The query is:

```
59 |  
60 | select datediff(second, '2024-06-03 10:04:54.086 -0700'::timestamp_ltz, current_timestamp()) as seconds;
```

The results show a single row with a column labeled SECONDS containing the value 979.

	SECONDS
1	979

The sidebar on the right shows Query Details: Query duration 979ms, Rows 1, and Query ID 01b49af2-0000-a6ed-0... . There is also a histogram for ID.

```

61 | select * from client at(offset => -979);
62 |

```

↳ Results    ↵ Chart

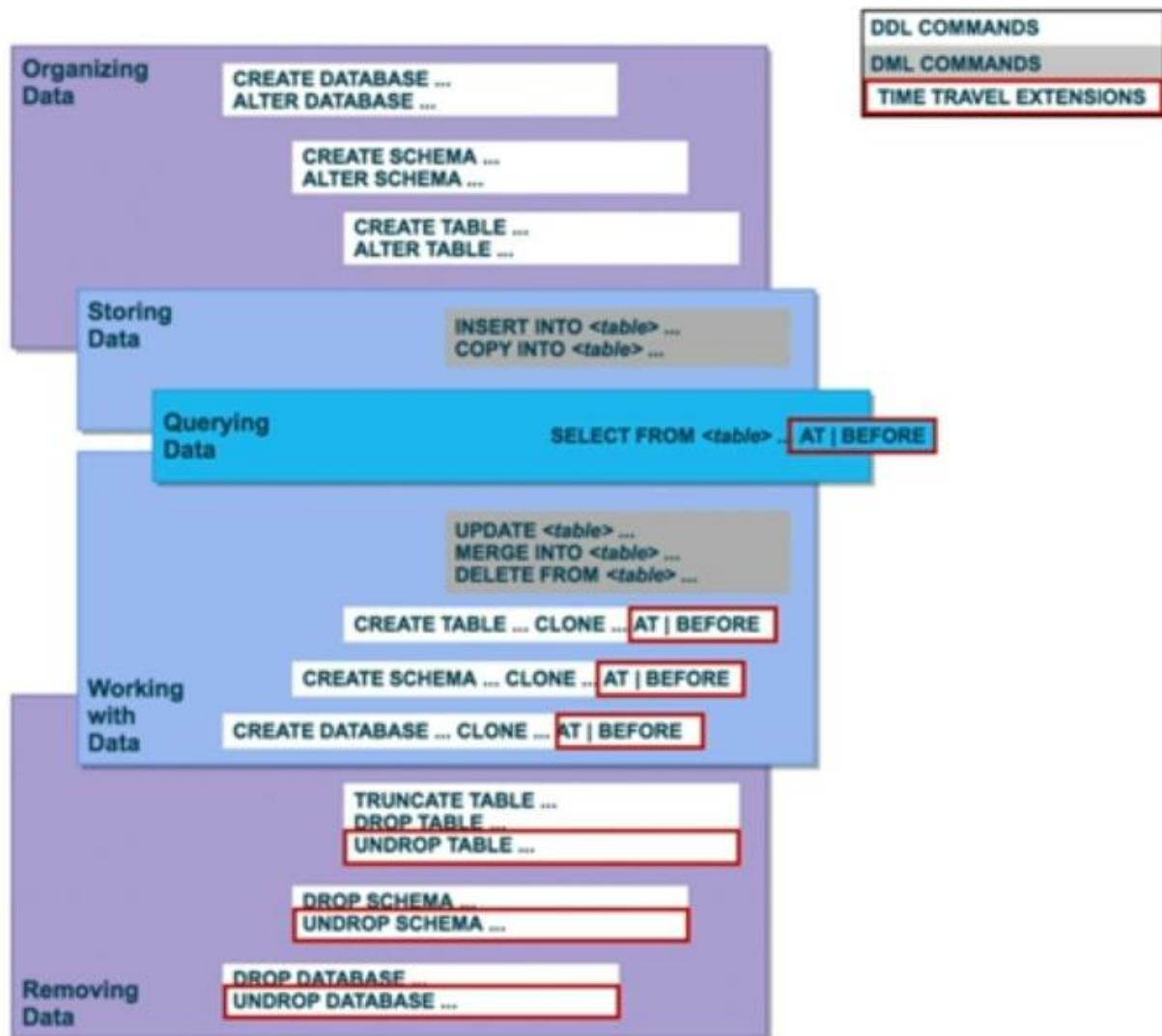
	ID	FIRST_NAME	LAST_NAME	SEX	ETHINICITY	SSN	STREET_ADDRESS	STATUS
1	111111	James	Schwartz	M	American	342-76-9087	5676 Washington Street	ACTIVE
2	222222	Jessica	Escobar	F	Hispanic	456-93-5629	3234 WateringCan Drive	INACTIVE
3	333333	Ben	Hardy	M	American	876-98-3245	6578 Historic Circle	INACTIVE
4	444444	Anjali	Singh	F	Indian American	435-87-6532	8978 Autumn Day Drive	ACTIVE
5	555555	Dean	Tracy	M	African	767-34-7656	2343 India Street	ACTIVE

Query Details  
Query duration

Rows  
Query ID 01b4c43;

ID

## Snowflake data lifecycle with time travel



Now let's do accidental operation on client table i.e. first accidental update (query ID 1) and then accidental delete (query ID 2)

Now, Paste your query id 1 on client table so that you have to get the data after the update operation by checking the real table

The screenshot shows a database interface with two separate query panes and their corresponding result tables.

**Query 1:**

```
19 | select * from client before (statement => '01b4c43d-0000-a73b-0007-317a00010252');
```

**Query 2:**

```
52 | select * from client ;
53 |
54 | select * from client before (timestamp > '2021-06-03 10:01:51.086 -0700', timestamp > '2021-06-03 10:01:51.086 -0700');
```

**Results:**

ID	FIRST_NAME	LAST_NAME	SEX	ETHINICITY	SSN	STREET_ADDRESS	STATUS
111111	James	Schwartz	M	American	342-76-9087	5676 Washington Street	ACTIVE
222222	Jessica	Escobar	F	Hispanic	456-93-5629	3234 WateringCan Drive	INACTIVE
333333	Ben	Hardy	M	American	876-98-3245	6578 Historic Circle	INACTIVE
444444	Anjali	Singh	F	Indian American	435-87-6532	8978 Autumn Day Drive	ACTIVE
555555	Dean	Tracy	M	African	767-34-7656	2343 India Street	ACTIVE

ID	FIRST_NAME	LAST_NAME	SEX	ETHINICITY	SSN	STREET_ADDRESS	STATUS	
1	111111	James	Schwartz	M	American	342-76-9087	5676 Washington Street	INACTIVE
2	222222	Jessica	Escobar	F	Hispanic	456-93-5629	3234 WateringCan Drive	INACTIVE
3	333333	Ben	Hardy	M	American	876-98-3245	6578 Historic Circle	INACTIVE
4	444444	Anjali	Singh	F	Indian American	435-87-6532	8978 Autumn Day Drive	INACTIVE
5	555555	Dean	Tracy	M	African	767-34-7656	2343 India Street	INACTIVE

We had done delete and update implies second query Id pasted will give me the data before update operation but

Do the same for income\_band

### Data restoration (restoring your data)

1. Direct method
2. Indirect method

#### Direct data restoration:

Let's do practical

I had done two accidental operations on client table as shown, I copied my query Id's

```
4/
48 | update client set status = 'INACTIVE' ; --01b4c422-0000-a7ea-0000-0007317af0c1
49 | delete from client;--01b4c448-0000-a73b-0007-317a00010286
50 |
```

Now, I want to get the data before my delete operation i.e. I had done update operation. So, my table need to have all status as inactive

Here is the syntax

**Create or replace table client as select \* from client before (statement => 'paste your query ID of delete operation here');**

Now check the table

	ID	FIRST_NAME	LAST_NAME	SEX	ETHINICITY	SSN	STREET_ADDRESS	STATUS
1	111111	James	Schwartz	M	American	342-76-9087	5676 Washington Street	INACTIVE
2	222222	Jessica	Escobar	F	Hispanic	456-93-5629	3234 WateringCan Drive	INACTIVE
3	333333	Ben	Hardy	M	American	876-98-3245	6578 Historic Circle	INACTIVE
4	444444	Anjali	Singh	F	Indian American	435-87-6532	8978 Autumn Day Drive	INACTIVE
5	555555	Dean	Tracy	M	African	767-34-7656	2343 India Street	INACTIVE

Now, I need to get the data before update operation i.e. my original data. Let's perform the same

create or replace table client as select \* from client before (statement => '01b4c422-0000-a7ea-0000-0007317af0c1');

⚠️ Time travel data is not available for table CLIENT. The requested time is either beyond the allowed time travel period or before the object creation time.

Query Details
Query duration
Rows
Query ID 01b4c44

That means we cannot go back to first query ID because we have used create or replace table client for second ID as main table client is actually got recreated and it has lost time travel history.

Hence, direct method of creating or replacing a table has this particular limitation

If you are using it, you have to be 100% sure what particular time frame/query ID you are using and once you do that, you will not be able to use again for another period.

Hence to avoid this, we use indirect method

## Indirect data restoration:

Let's do in practical

```
90 |   create or replace table income_band as select * from SNOWFLAKE_SAMPLE_DATA.TPCDS_SF100TCL.INCOME_BAND ;
91 |
92 |
93 | Results  ↗ Chart
```

status	
1	Table INCOME_BAND successfully created.

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Que

First accidental delete i.e. wanted to delete > 121000

```
91 |
92 |   delete from income_band where ib_lower_bound > 101000;
93 | Results  ↗ Chart
```

number of rows deleted	
1	9

Query Details ...  
Query duration 453ms  
Rows 1  
Query ID 01b4c45d-0000-a73b-...  
number of rows deleted #

Second accidental update i.e. shift the band by 100, accidentally shifted by 1000.

```
93 |
94 |   update income_band set ib_lower_bound = ib_lower_bound + 1000, ib_upper_bound = ib_upper_bound + 1000 ;
95 | Results  ↗ Chart
```

number of rows updated		number of multi-joined rows updated	
1	11	0	0

Query Details ...  
Query duration 330ms  
Rows 1  
Query ID 01b4c460-0000-a7ea-...  
number of rows updated #

Creating a temporary table and pasted second query ID as shown

```
96 |   create or replace table income_band_temp as select * from income_band before (statement => '01b4c460-0000-a7ea-0000-
97 |   0007317af26d');
98 |
99 |
100 | Results  ↗ Chart
```

status	
1	Table INCOME_BAND_TEMP successfully created.

Query Details  
Query duration

Let's check data

```

7/
98 | select * from income_band_temp ;
99 |

```

↳ Results ↗ Chart

	IB_INCOME_BAND_SK	IB_LOWER_BOUND	IB_UPPER_BOUND
1	1	0	10000
2	2	10001	20000
3	3	20001	30000
4	4	30001	40000
5	5	40001	50000
6	6	50001	60000

Query  
Query  
Rows  
Query  
IB\_INC

I got my records which are not increased by 1000

Now delete the main table and restore from temp table

```

100 | delete from income_band;
101 |
102 |
103 |
104 |
105 |

```

↳ Results ↗ Chart

	number of rows deleted
1	11

102 | insert into income\_band select \* from income\_band\_temp;

103 |  
104 |  
105 |

↳ Results ↗ Chart

	number of rows inserted
1	11

104 | select \* from income\_band ;

105 |

↳ Results ↗ Chart

	IB_INCOME_BAND_SK	IB_LOWER_BOUND	IB_UPPER_BOUND
1	1	0	10000
2	2	10001	20000
3	3	20001	30000
4	4	30001	40000
5	5	40001	50000
6	6	50001	60000

Query Details ...  
Query duration 95ms  
Rows 11  
Query ID 01b4c468-0000-a73b-...  
IB\_INCOME\_BAND\_SK #

We went back one step, now we realize that we need to go back further

Again we can build the temp table using first query, let's see

```
106 | create or replace table income_band_temp as select * from income_band before (statement => '01b4c45d-0000-a73b-0007-317a000102d6');
107 |
108 |
↳ Results  ↵ Chart
```

status
1 Table INCOME_BAND_TEMP successfully created.

Query Details ...  
Query duration 576ms  
Rows 1  
Query ID 01b4c46c-0000-a7ea-...

Delete the main table

```
107 |
108 | delete from income_band ;
|
↳ Results  ↵ Chart
```

number of rows deleted
11

Query Details ...  
Query duration 164ms  
Rows 1  
Query ID 01b4c46d-0000-a73b-...

Restore from temp table

```
110 | insert into income_band select * from income_band_temp;
111 |
112 |
113 |
|
↳ Results  ↵ Chart
```

number of rows inserted
20

Query Details ...  
Query duration 362ms  
Rows 1

Check the data

```
113 | select * from income_band ;
114 |
|
↳ Results  ↵ Chart
```

IB_INCOME_BAND_SK	IB_LOWER_BOUND	IB_UPPER_BOUND
1	0	10000
2	10001	20000
3	20001	30000
4	30001	40000
5	40001	50000
6	50001	60000

Query Details ...  
Query duration 95ms  
Rows 20  
Query ID 01b4c46f-0000-a7ea-0...  
IB\_INCOME\_BAND\_SK #

- The idea is you should not drop the table to have its data retention.
- The moment a table is dropped it loses time travel and is considered as a new object,
- Create or replace actually drops the object.

## UNDROP:

To retain our tables, schemas, database which we dropped

Let's see in practical

115 | show tables ;  
116  
117

↳ Results    ↵ Chart

	created_on	name	database_name	schema_name	kind	comment	cluster_by
1	2024-06-03 10:47:15.478 -0700	CLIENT	SAI_K	DEMO	TABLE		
2	2024-06-03 11:04:27.261 -0700	INCOME_BAND	SAI_K	DEMO	TABLE		
3	2024-06-03 11:20:14.087 -0700	INCOME_BAND_TEMP	SAI_K	DEMO	TABLE		
4	2024-05-25 01:17:31.153 -0700	ITEMS	SAI_K	DEMO	TABLE		
5	2024-05-23 23:26:06.831 -0700	PROMOTIONS	SAI_K	DEMO	TABLE		
6	2024-05-23 23:26:42.247 -0700	PROMOTIONS_EXT	SAI_K	DEMO	TABLE		

110  
117 | select \* from promotions ;  
118 |

↳ Results    ↵ Chart

	P_PROMO_SK	P_PROMO_ID	P_START_DATE_SK	P_END_DATE_SK	P_ITEM_SK	P_COST	P_RESPONSE_TARC
1	2002	AAAAAAAACNHAAAAA	2450775	2450810	454459	1000.00	
2	2003	AAAAAAAADNHAAAAA	2450454	2450480	164948	1000.00	
3	2004	AAAAAAAENHAAAAA	2450723	2450741	319846	1000.00	
4	2005	AAAAAAAFNHHAAAAA	2450615	2450649	185626	1000.00	
5	2006	AAAAAAAAGNHAAAAA	2450838	2450898	28927	1000.00	
6	2007	AAAAAAAANHAAAAA	2450845	2450904	396698	1000.00	

Let's drop it

119 | drop table promotions ;  
120 |

↳ Results    ↵ Chart

	status
1	PROMOTIONS successfully dropped.

Please follow the syntax

```
121 | show tables history ;
122 |
↳ Results  ↳ Chart
```

	created_on	name	database_name	schema_name	kind	comment	cluster_by
1	2024-06-03 10:47:15.478 -0700	CLIENT	SAI_K	DEMO	TABLE		
2	2024-06-03 11:04:27.261 -0700	INCOME_BAND	SAI_K	DEMO	TABLE		
3	2024-06-03 11:20:14.087 -0700	INCOME_BAND_TEMP	SAI_K	DEMO	TABLE		
4	2024-05-25 01:17:31.153 -0700	ITEMS	SAI_K	DEMO	TABLE		
5	2024-05-23 23:26:42.247 -0700	PROMOTIONS_EXT	SAI_K	DEMO	TABLE		
6	2024-05-23 23:26:06.831 -0700	PROMOTIONS	SAI_K	DEMO	TABLE		

Query Details ...  
Query duration 57ms  
Rows 12  
Query ID 01b4c484-0000-a73b-...  
  
created\_on



Visible, Hence can be undropped

```
122 |
123 | undrop table promotions ;
124 |
↳ Results  ↳ Chart
```

	status
1	Table PROMOTIONS successfully restored.

```
125 | select * from promotions ;
126 |
↳ Results  ↳ Chart
```

	P_PROMO_SK	P_PROMO_ID	P_START_DATE_SK	P_END_DATE_SK	P_ITEM_SK	P_COST	P_RESPONSE_TARG
1	2002	AAAAAAAACNHAAAAA	2450775	2450810	454459	1000.00	
2	2003	AAAAAAAADNHAAAAA	2450454	2450480	164948	1000.00	
3	2004	AAAAAAAENHAAAAA	2450723	2450741	319846	1000.00	
4	2005	AAAAAAAANFHAAAAA	2450615	2450649	185626	1000.00	
5	2006	AAAAAAAAGNHAAAAA	2450838	2450898	28927	1000.00	
6	2007	AAAAAAAANHAAAAA	2450845	2450904	396698	1000.00	

Query Details ...  
Query duration 30ms  
Rows 499  
Query ID 01b4c486-0000-a7ea-...  
  
P\_PROMO\_SK



For schemas

```
128 |
129 | create or replace schema cln_demo clone demo ;
130 |
↳ Results  ↳ Chart
```

	status
1	Schema CLN_DEMO successfully created.

```

131 | show schemas ;
132 |

```

↳ Results ↵ Chart

	created_on	name	is_default	is_current	database_name	owner	cc
1	2024-06-03 11:51:14.990 -0700	CLN_DEMO	N	N	SAI_K	ACCOUNTADMIN	
2	2024-05-23 23:16:28.036 -0700	DEMO	N	Y	SAI_K	ACCOUNTADMIN	
3	2024-06-03 11:52:06.060 -0700	INFORMATION_SCHEMA	N	N	SAI_K		Vi
4	2024-05-23 23:16:12.831 -0700	PUBLIC	N	N	SAI_K	ACCOUNTADMIN	

Query Details  
 Query duration  
  
 Rows  
 Query ID  
 created\_on

```

130 |
131 | drop schema cln_demo ;
132 |
133 |

```

↳ Results ↵ Chart

	status
1	CLN_DEMO successfully dropped.

```

133 | show schemas history ;
134 |

```

↳ Results ↵ Chart

	created_on	name	is_default	is_current	database_name	owner	cc
1	2024-06-03 11:51:14.990 -0700	CLN_DEMO	N	N	SAI_K	ACCOUNTADMIN	
2	2024-05-23 23:16:28.036 -0700	DEMO	N	Y	SAI_K	ACCOUNTADMIN	
3	2024-06-03 11:52:37.864 -0700	INFORMATION_SCHEMA	N	N	SAI_K		Vi
4	2024-05-23 23:16:12.831 -0700	PUBLIC	N	N	SAI_K	ACCOUNTADMIN	

Query Details ...  
 Query duration 37ms  
  
 Rows 4  
 Query ID 01b4c48c-0000-a73b-...  
 created\_on

```

137 |
138 | undrop schema CLN_DEMO ;
139 |

```

↳ Results ↵ Chart

	status
1	Schema CLN_DEMO successfully restored.

```

134 | show schemas ;
135

```

↳ Results    ↗ Chart

	created_on	name	is_default	is_current	database_name	owner	co
1	2024-06-03 11:51:14.990 -0700	CLN_DEMO	N	N	SAI_K	ACCOUNTADMIN	
2	2024-05-23 23:16:28.036 -0700	DEMO	N	Y	SAI_K	ACCOUNTADMIN	
3	2024-06-03 11:55:13.349 -0700	INFORMATION_SCHEMA	N	N	SAI_K		Vi
4	2024-05-23 23:16:12.831 -0700	PUBLIC	N	N	SAI_K	ACCOUNTADMIN	

Similarly for databases as well

## Retention time:

This is the main component of time travel. The time travel is achieved by using the value of this parameter

- Account Level
- Database Level
- Schema Level
- Object level

Default is 1 day and automatically enabled.  
0 means time travel is disabled.

DATA\_RETENTION\_TIME\_IN\_DAYS  
MIN\_DATA\_RETENTION\_TIME\_IN\_DAYS

effective:

max(DATA\_RETENTION\_TIME\_IN\_DAYS, MIN\_DATA\_RETENTION\_TIME\_IN\_DAYS)

Standard	Enterprise	Business Critical	Virtual private
1 (Default), Can be set to 0 at account and object level	90	90	90
Range 0 - 1	Range 0 - 90	Range 0 - 90	Range 0 - 90

Let's do hands on

Creating new database and schema

```
140  
141 | create database training_rt ;  
142 | create schema demo_rt ;
```

↳ Results ↗ Chart

status	
1	Schema DEMO_RT successfully created.

```
144 | show parameters like '%retention%' in account;  
145 |
```

↳ Results ↗ Chart

	key	value	default	level	description
1	DATA_RETENTION_TIME_IN_DAYS	1	1	ACCOUNT	number of days to retain the old version of deleted/updated data
2	MIN_DATA_RETENTION_TIME_IN_DAYS	2	0	ACCOUNT	Minimum allowable data retention time for an account. The

```
145  
146 | show parameters like '%retention%' in database;  
147 |
```

↳ Results ↗ Chart

	key	value	default	level	description
1	DATA_RETENTION_TIME_IN_DAYS	1	1	ACCOUNT	number of days to retain the old version of deleted/updated data

```
148 | show parameters like '%retention%' in schema;  
149 |
```

↳ Results ↗ Chart

	key	value	default	level	description
1	DATA_RETENTION_TIME_IN_DAYS	1	1	ACCOUNT	number of days to retain the old version of deleted/updated data

Let's create a table in training\_rt DB and demo\_rt schema

TRAINING\_RT.DEMO\_RT ▾ Settings ▾ Code Version

```
147
148     show parameters like '%retention%' in schema;
149
150     create table test_client as select * from sai_k.demo.client;
151
```

↳ Results ▾ Chart

	status
1	Table TEST_CLIENT successfully created.

Query Details  
Query duration  
Rows  
Query ID 01b4c49c-0000

Let's alter

```
154     alter account set DATA_RETENTION_TIME_IN_DAYS = 3 ;
155     alter account set MIN_DATA_RETENTION_TIME_IN_DAYS = 2 ;
```

↳ Results ▾ Chart

	status
1	Statement executed successfully.

```
156     show tables;
157
```

↳ Results ▾ Chart

	schema_name	kind	comment	cluster_by	rows	bytes	owner	retention_time	automatic_clustering
1	DEMO_RT	TABLE			5	3584	ACCOUNTADMIN	3	OFF

Creating new table and check

```
158     create table test_client1 as select * from sai_k.demo.client ;
159
```

↳ Results ▾ Chart

	status
1	Table TEST_CLIENT1 successfully created.

```
160 | show tables ;
```

↳ Results

↗ Chart

	kind	comment	cluster_by	rows	bytes	owner	retention_time	au
1	TABLE			5	3584	ACCOUNTADMIN	3	OF
2	TABLE			5	3584	ACCOUNTADMIN	3	OF

Retention time is 3, taken from account

Now, change retention at DB level

```
161
```

```
162 | alter database set DATA_RETENTION_TIME_IN_DAYS = 5 ;
```

```
163 |
```

↳ Results

↗ Chart

	status
1	Statement executed successfully.

```
165
```

```
164 | show parameters like '%retention%' in account;
```

↳ Results

↗ Chart

	key	value	default	level	description
1	DATA_RETENTION_TIME_IN_DAYS	3	1	ACCOUNT	number of days to retain the old version of deleted/updated
2	MIN_DATA_RETENTION_TIME_IN_DAYS	2	0	ACCOUNT	Minimum allowable data retention time for an account. The

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```
165
```

```
166 | show parameters like '%retention%' in database;
```

↳ Results

↗ Chart

	key	value	default	level	description
1	DATA_RETENTION_TIME_IN_DAYS	5	1	DATABASE	number of days to retain the old version of deleted/updated dat

Query Detail

Query durati

Rows

Overrides account, since modified at DB and flows to schema as there is no override at schema

```
16/ | show parameters like '%retention%' in schema;  
168 |  
169 |  
170 |
```

↳ Results ⚡ Chart

	key	value	default	level	description
1	DATA_RETENTION_TIME_IN_DAYS	5	1	SCHEMA	number of days to retain the old version of deleted/updated data

Gets from database

```
1/1 |  
170 | create table test_client2 as select * from sai_k.demo.client ;  
171 |
```

↳ Results ⚡ Chart

	status
1	Table TEST_CLIENT2 successfully created.

```
1/1  
172 | show tables;
```

↳ Results ⚡ Chart

	kind	comment	cluster_by	rows	bytes	owner	retention_time	automatic_clustering	change_tracking
1	TABLE			5	3584	ACCOUNTADMIN	5	OFF	OFF
2	TABLE			5	3584	ACCOUNTADMIN	5	OFF	OFF
3	TABLE			5	3584	ACCOUNTADMIN	5	OFF	OFF

5 for new table as well, 5 for all (prev)

Now let's set at schema level

```
1/1 |  
174 | alter schema set DATA_RETENTION_TIME_IN_DAYS = 6 ;  
175 |
```

↳ Results ⚡ Chart

	status
1	Statement executed successfully.

```
176 | show parameters like '%retention%' in account;
```

Results					
	key	value	default	level	description
1	DATA_RETENTION_TIME_IN_DAYS	3	1	ACCOUNT	number of days to retain the old version of deleted/updated data
2	MIN_DATA_RETENTION_TIME_IN_DAYS	2	0	ACCOUNT	Minimum allowable data retention time for an account. The

Query I  
Query II  
Rows  
Query I

Value is 3

```
177 |  
178 | show parameters like '%retention%' in database;
```

Value is 5

```
180 | show parameters like '%retention%' in schema;
```

Value is 6, schema override will flow to tables

```
181 |  
182 | show tables;
```

Retention time is 6 for new and existing

## Setting at table level

```
184 | alter table test_client1 set DATA_RETENTION_TIME_IN_DAYS = 7 ;
185 |
```

↳ Results ↗ Chart

status	
1	Statement executed successfully.

```
186 | alter table test_client2 set DATA_RETENTION_TIME_IN_DAYS = 8 ;
187 |
```

↳ Results ↗ Chart

status	
1	Statement executed successfully.

```
187
188 | show tables;
```

↳ Results ↗ Chart

	kind	comment	cluster_by	rows	bytes	owner	retention_time	automatic_clustering	change_track
1	TABLE			5	3584	ACCOUNTADMIN	6	OFF	OFF
2	TABLE			5	3584	ACCOUNTADMIN	7	OFF	OFF
3	TABLE			5	3584	ACCOUNTADMIN	8	OFF	OFF

## Setting up at create table level

```
189
190 | create or replace table test_client3 (id number, name varchar(30)) data_retention_time_in_days=9;
191 |
```

↳ Results ↗ Chart

status	
1	Table TEST_CLIENT3 successfully created.

Quer  
Quer

192 | show tables;

↳ Results ~ Chart

e	schema_name	kind	comment	cluster_by	rows	bytes	owner	retention_time	automatic_clustering
1	DEMO_RT	TABLE			5	3584	ACCOUNTADMIN	6	OFF
2	DEMO_RT	TABLE			5	3584	ACCOUNTADMIN	7	OFF
3	DEMO_RT	TABLE			5	3584	ACCOUNTADMIN	8	OFF
4	DEMO_RT	TABLE			0	0	ACCOUNTADMIN	9	OFF

**Increasing retention - it increases the time period for which the data is available in time travel  
=> 5 -> 10, does not apply to data already in fail safe**

**Decreasing retention - it reduces the time period for which the data is available in time travel  
=> 6 -> 4. Some data move to fail-safe**

-- check the storage cost and different buckets

-- UI only shows Stage, Database and Fail Safe

-- Since time travel stores the data to be available it incurs the cost.

-- We can check the cost –bucket for time travel via UI as well -- as using SQL queries

-- check the storage cost and different buckets

Below query shows time travel bytes

194 | select \* from snowflake.account\_usage.table\_storage\_metrics ;

↳ Results ~ Chart

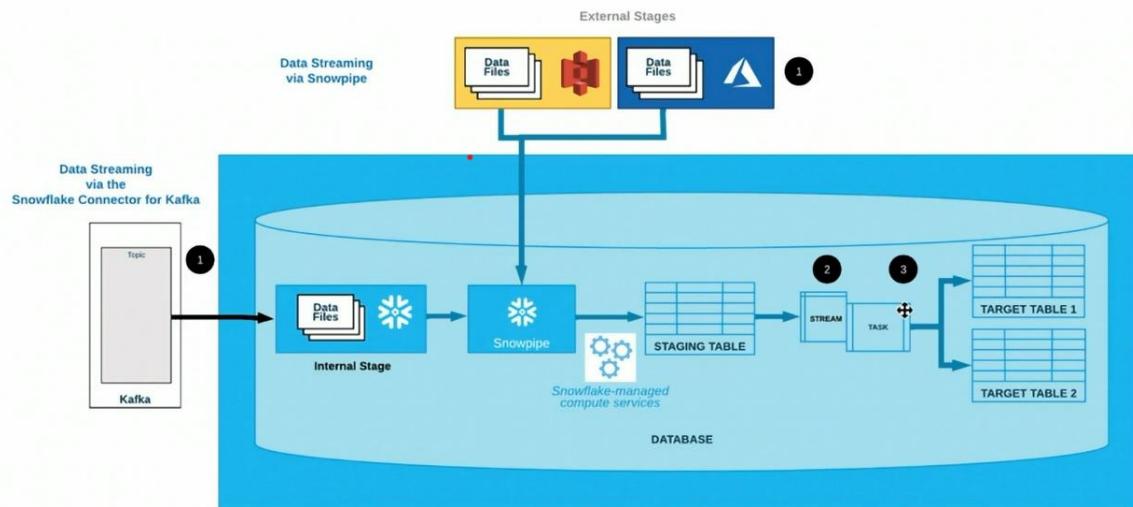
	ID	TABLE_NAME	TABLE_SCHEMA_ID	TABLE_SCHEMA	TABLE_CATALOG_ID	TABLE_CATALOG	CLONE_GR
1	5128	CLIENT	4	CLN_DEMO	4	SAI_K	
2	5129	INCOME_BAND	4	CLN_DEMO	4	SAI_K	
3	6146	CLIENT	3	DEMO	4	SAI_K	
4	5133	PROMOTIONS	4	CLN_DEMO	4	SAI_K	
5	5122	INCOME_BAND	3	DEMO	4	SAI_K	
6	5131	ITEMS	4	CLN_DEMO	4	SAI_K	

**Note:** fail safe will be explained in upcoming post

Thanks

# STREAMS

Here is the representation of continuous data pipeline, streams come in the position of 2 as shown below



**Let's perform what streams actually does by creating staging and target tables as per the above image**

Let's create a staging table

```
1  create or replace table raw_applicant_staging
2  (
3      id number,
4      first_name varchar,
5      last_name varchar,
6      sex varchar,
7      ethnicity varchar,
8      ssn varchar,
9      street_address varchar,
10     education_level varchar,
11     years_of_experience number,
12     job_id number
13 );
```

## Creating job\_details table

```
17  create or replace table job_details (
18      job_id number,
19      name varchar,
20      city varchar,
21      state varchar,
22      education_level varchar
23  ) ;
```

↳ Results    ↳ Chart

	status
1	Table JOB_DETAILS successfully created.

```
27 insert into job_details values (10, 'Painter', 'Raleigh', 'NC','High School') ;
28 insert into job_details values (20, 'Software Engineer', 'Raleigh', 'NC','Masters') ;
29 insert into job_details values (30, 'Data Architect', 'Raleigh', 'NC','Undergrad') ;
30 insert into job_details values (40, 'Vice President', 'Raleigh', 'NC','Masters') ;
31 insert into job_details values (50, 'Associate', 'Raleigh', 'NC','Masters') ;
32
```

↳ Results    ↳ Chart

	number of rows inserted
1	1

Query Details ...  
Query duration 278ms  
Rows 1

```
33 | select * from job_details ;
34 |
35 |
36
```

↳ Results    ↳ Chart

	JOB_ID	NAME	CITY	STATE	EDUCATION_LEVEL
1	10	Painter	Raleigh	NC	High School
2	20	Software Engineer	Raleigh	NC	Masters
3	30	Data Architect	Raleigh	NC	Undergrad
4	40	Vice President	Raleigh	NC	Masters
5	50	Associate	Raleigh	NC	Masters

Query Details ...  
Query duration 107ms  
Rows 5  
Query ID 01b4ee7a-0000-a908-...  
JOB\_ID #

## Creating a target table

```
36  create or replace table candidates (
37      id number,
38      first_name varchar,
39      last_name varchar,
40      sex varchar,
41      ethnicity varchar,
42      ssn varchar,
43      street_address varchar,
44      candidate_education_level varchar,
45      years_of_experience number,
46      job_id number,
47      job_name varchar,
48      job_city varchar,
49      job_state varchar,
50      required_education_level varchar,
51      status varchar,
52      comments varchar
53  ) ;
```

## Inserting one record in our target table

```
-- delete from candidates ;
56 insert into candidates
57 values (100000, 'James', 'Schwartz', 'M', 'American', '342-76-9087', '5676 Washington Street', 'High School', 5, 10, 'Painter',
58 'Raleigh', 'NC', 'High School', 'SHORTLISTED', 'The education level of candidate matched with job') ;
59
```

↳ Results ↗ Chart

		number of rows inserted	
1		1	

Query Details ...  
Query duration 283ms  
Rows 1  
Query ID 016447-0000-2014-0

```
59 select * from candidates ;
60
```

↳ Results ↗ Chart

ID	FIRST_NAME	LAST_NAME	SEX	ETHNICITY	SSN	STREET_ADDRESS	CANDIDATE_EDUCAT	
1	100000	James	Schwartz	M	American	342-76-9087	5676 Washington Street	High School

Query Details ...  
Query duration 128ms  
Rows 1

Now, let's create a stream as shown which is connected to staging table

```
61 create or replace stream strm_applicant1 on table raw_applicant_staging ;
62
```

↳ Results ↗ Chart

status	
1	Stream STRM_APPLICANT1 successfully created.

```
63 desc stream strm_applicant1 ;
64
```

↳ Results ↗ Chart

*It is default stream, we can set to other as well which we can see later*

*stream will be stale over after 14 days*

type	base_tables	type	stale	mode	stale_after	invalid_reason
1	SAI_K.PUBLIC.RAW_APPLICANT_STAGING	DELTA	false	DEFAULT	2024-06-24 22:50:51.528 -0700	N/A

Query Details ...  
Query duration 53ms  
Rows 1

For now, just understand stale means 'not new'

```
66 show parameters like '%extension%' in account;
```

↳ Results ↗ Chart

key	value	default	level	description
1	MAX_DATA_EXTENSION_TIME_IN_DAYS	14	14	Maximum number of days to extend data retention beyond the r

Query Detail  
Query duration  
Rows

Let's insert some data in raw-applicant\_staging table

```
68  insert into raw_applicant_staging values (111111, 'James',      'Schwartz', 'M', 'American','342-76-9087','5676 Washington
69  Street','High School', 5,10) ;
70  insert into raw_applicant_staging values (222222, 'Jessica',     'Escobar',   'F', 'Hispanic','456-93-5629','3234 WateringCan
Drive','Undergrad', 4, 10) ;
71  insert into raw_applicant_staging values (333333, 'Ben',        'Hardy',     'M', 'American','876-98-3245','6578 Historic
Circle','Masters', 6, 30) ;
72  insert into raw_applicant_staging values (444444, 'Anjali',      'Singh',     'F', 'Indian American','435-87-6532','8978 Autumn Day
Drive','Masters', 8,20) ;
73  insert into raw_applicant_staging values (555555, 'Dean',       'Tracy',     'M', 'African','767-34-7656','2343 India
Street','Undergrad', 2,50) ;
74  select * from raw_applicant_staging ;
75
76
```

↳ Results ↵ Chart

	ID	FIRST_NAME	LAST_NAME	SEX	ETHINICITY	SSN	STREET_ADDRESS	EDUCATION_LEVEL
1	111111	James	Schwartz	M	American	342-76-9087	5676 Washington Street	High School
2	222222	Jessica	Escobar	F	Hispanic	456-93-5629	3234 WateringCan Drive	Undergrad
3	333333	Ben	Hardy	M	American	876-98-3245	6578 Historic Circle	Masters
4	444444	Anjali	Singh	F	Indian American	435-87-6532	8978 Autumn Day Drive	Masters
5	555555	Dean	Tracy	M	African	767-34-7656	2343 India Street	Undergrad

Query Details ...  
Query duration 93ms  
Rows 5  
Query ID 01b4ee8b-0000-a914-...  
ID #

Check stream and Observe extra columns

```
76  select * from strm_applicant1;
```

↳ Results ↵ Chart

as we had inserted in raw applicant staging      Is Update is false as we didn't update

	S_OF_EXPERIENCE	JOB_ID	METADATA\$ACTION	METADATA\$ISUPDATE	METADATA\$ROW_ID
1	2	50	INSERT	FALSE	ab296cb8edb4504e02d7c6eb1854352e5ee1169c
2	5	10	INSERT	FALSE	e610197f5a5edf1ea42744f812c71b6ba36d8d95
3	8	20	INSERT	FALSE	f9e72af73862bcb2929111644b89500869b7737e
4	4	10	INSERT	FALSE	55e6b0deea7f2ddfe85286c63759d503a9498d3f
5	6	30	INSERT	FALSE	4c14a2143eb3619240472e179eb6c6bc8fe03c86

Update the data in staging

```
80  update raw_applicant_staging set job_id = 10 where id = 555555 ;
81
```

↳ Results ↵ Chart

	number of rows updated	number of multi-joined rows updated
1	1	0

Query Details ...  
Query duration 773ms  
Rows 1

## Check stream

```
80 update raw_applicant_staging set job_id = 10 where id = 555555 ;
81
82 | select * from strm_applicant1;
```

↳ Results ↵ Chart

	SSN	STREET_ADDRESS	EDUCATION_LEVEL	YEARS_OF_EXPERIENCE	JOB_ID	METADATA\$AC
1	342-76-9087	5676 Washington Street	High School	5	10	INSERT
2	456-93-5629	3234 WateringCan Drive	Undergrad	4	10	INSERT
3	876-98-3245	6578 Historic Circle	Masters	6	30	INSERT
4	can 435-87-6532	8978 Autumn Day Drive	Masters	8	20	INSERT
5	767-34-7656	2343 India Street	Undergrad	2	10	INSERT

So stream is immediately reflecting what changes are done in staging, this is called net effect or default stream. It doesn't show you intermediate states, it shows net effect of multiple insert, updates and deletes

Let's delete and check

```
83
84 | delete from raw_applicant_staging where id = 555555 ;
```

↳ Results ↵ Chart

	number of rows deleted
1	1

Query Details ...  
Query duration 836ms  
Rows 1

```
85 | select * from strm_applicant1;
86 |
```

↳ Results ↵ Chart

	ID	FIRST_NAME	LAST_NAME	SEX	ETHINICITY	SSN	STREET_ADDRESS	EDUCATION_LEVEL
1	111111	James	Schwartz	M	American	342-76-9087	5676 Washington Street	High School
2	222222	Jessica	Escobar	F	Hispanic	456-93-5629	3234 WateringCan Drive	Undergrad
3	333333	Ben	Hardy	M	American	876-98-3245	6578 Historic Circle	Masters
4	444444	Anjali	Singh	F	Indian American	435-87-6532	8978 Autumn Day Drive	Masters

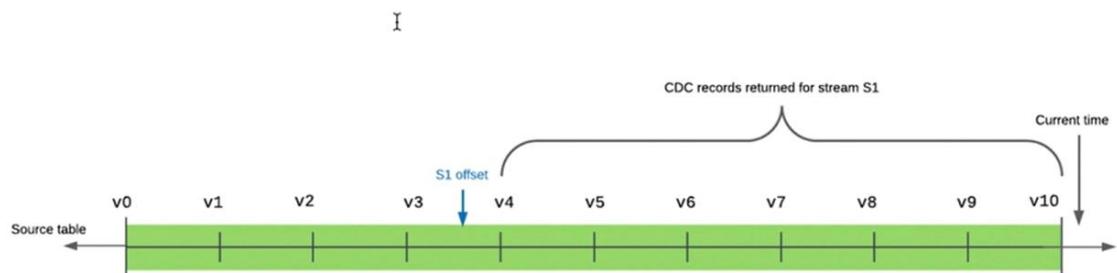
Query Details ...  
Query duration 482ms  
Rows 4  
Query ID 01b51602-0000-a9e6-...

So, even if I delete it, it will not show you any history that it has 5 rows/records initially

So stream is immediately reflecting what changes are done in staging

## Streams:

1. It is a database object. -> create or replace stream
2. Does not contain any data. Stores **Offset or a bookmark** when created.



3. Offset moves only if the stream is used in DML (truncate also) and DML is committed.
  - a. Controlled by AUTOCOMMIT OR
  - b. Explicit commit.
  - c. To advance offset without DML
    - i. Either recreate stream
    - ii. OR insert the data to a temp table from stream using the false condition.
4. Stream additional columns
  - a. METADATA\$ACTION
  - b. METADATA\$ISUPDATE
  - c. METADATA\$ROW\_ID

Let's see consumption of streams, how offset actually moves & how can stream is used to load the data into the target

Let's delete the data from staging and see consumption of stream

```
86 | 
87 | delete from raw_applicant_staging ;
88 | 
```

Results

number of rows deleted
4

Query Details ...  
Query duration 477ms  
Rows 1

```

89 | select * from raw_applicant_staging ;
90 |

```

Results Chart

ID	FIRST_NAME	LAST_NAME	SEX	ETHINICITY	SSN	STREET_ADDRESS	EDUCATION_LEVEL
Query produced no results							

Query Details ...  
 Query duration 65ms  
 Rows 0  
 Query ID 01b5161d-0000-a9e6-0...

No records in stream

```

91 | select * from strm_applicant1;
92 |

```

Results Chart

ID	FIRST_NAME	LAST_NAME	SEX	ETHINICITY	SSN	STREET_ADDRESS	EDUCATION_LEVEL
Query produced no results							

Query Details ...  
 Query duration 65ms  
 Rows 0  
 Query ID 01b5161e-0000-a9e6-0...

Let's insert some records

```

93 insert into raw_applicant_staging values (111111, 'James', 'Schwartz', 'M', 'American', '342-76-9087', '5676 Washington Street','High School', 5, 10) ;
94 insert into raw_applicant_staging values (222222, 'Jessica', 'Escobar', 'F', 'Hispanic', '456-93-5629', '3234 WateringCan Drive','Undergrad', 4, 10) ;
95 insert into raw_applicant_staging values (333333, 'Ben', 'Hardy', 'M', 'American', '876-98-3245', '6578 Historic Circle','Masters', 6, 30) ;
96 insert into raw_applicant_staging values (444444, 'Anjali', 'Singh', 'F', 'Indian American', '435-87-6532', '8978 Autumn Day Drive','Masters', 8, 20) ;
97 insert into raw_applicant_staging values (555555, 'Dean', 'Tracy', 'M', 'African', '767-34-7656', '2343 India Street','Undergrad', 2, 50) ;
98

```

Let's check the stream

```

99 | select * from strm_applicant1;
100 |
101

```

Results Chart

ID	FIRST_NAME	LAST_NAME	SEX	ETHINICITY	SSN	STREET_ADDRESS	EDUCATION_LEVEL	
1	111111	James	Schwartz	M	American	342-76-9087	5676 Washington Street	High School
2	222222	Jessica	Escobar	F	Hispanic	456-93-5629	3234 WateringCan Drive	Undergrad
3	333333	Ben	Hardy	M	American	876-98-3245	6578 Historic Circle	Masters
4	444444	Anjali	Singh	F	Indian American	435-87-6532	8978 Autumn Day Drive	Masters
5	555555	Dean	Tracy	M	African	767-34-7656	2343 India Street	Undergrad

Query Details ...  
 Query duration 203ms  
 Rows 5  
 Query ID 01b51626-0000-a9e6-...

Our target table has one record as shown

```

101 | select * from candidates ;
102

```

Results Chart

ID	FIRST_NAME	LAST_NAME	SEX	ETHINICITY	SSN	STREET_ADDRESS	CANDIDATE_EDUCATION	
1	100000	James	Schwartz	M	American	342-76-9087	5676 Washington Street	High School

Query Details ...  
 Query duration 275ms  
 Rows 1  
 Query ID 01b51628-0000-a9ff-...

Let's check our job\_details table as well

```
103 | select * from job_details ;
104 |
```

↳ Results    ↵ Chart

	JOB_ID	NAME	CITY	STATE	EDUCATION_LEVEL
1	10	Painter	Raleigh	NC	High School
2	20	Software Engineer	Raleigh	NC	Masters
3	30	Data Architect	Raleigh	NC	Undergrad
4	40	Vice President	Raleigh	NC	Masters
5	50	Associate	Raleigh	NC	Masters

Query Details ...  
Query duration 271ms  
Rows 5  
Query ID 01b5162b-0000-a9e6-...  
JOB\_ID #

Now, let us merge the data into target table

```
105 merge into candidates tgt
106 using
107 (select
108   id ,
109   first_name ,
110   last_name ,
111   sex ,
112   ethnicity ,
113   ssn ,
114   street_address ,
115   str.education_level as ed_level,
116   years_of_experience ,
117   jdtl.job_id ,
118   name ,
119   city ,
120   state ,
121   jdtl.education_level as jreq_level ,
122   case when str.education_level = jdtl.education_level then 'SHORTLISTED' else 'STAGED' end as status,
123   case when str.education_level = jdtl.education_level then 'The education level of candidate matched with job'
124           else 'Application received from candidate'
125       end as comments,
126   str.metadata$action,
127   str.metadata$update
128   from strm_applicant1 str inner join job_details jdtl on (str.job_id = jdtl.job_id)
129 ) src
130 on tgt.id = src.id
131 -- insert clause
132 when not matched and src.metadata$action = 'INSERT' and metadata$update = 'FALSE'
133 then insert
134 values (
135   id ,
136   first_name ,
137   last_name ,
138   sex ,
139   ethnicity ,
140   ssn ,
141   street_address,
142   ed_level,
143   years_of_experience ,
144   job_id ,
145   name ,
146   city ,
147   state ,
148   jreq_level,
149   status,
150   comments
151 )
152 ;
```

↳ Results    ↵ Chart

	number of rows inserted
1	5

Query Details ...  
Query duration 731ms  
Rows 1  
Query ID 01b51630-0000-a9ff-0...

Hence our target table got all the 5 records, initially it is 1 record so total 6 records

	ID	FIRST_NAME	LAST_NAME	SEX	ETHINICITY	SSN	STREET_ADDRESS	CANDIDATE_EDUC
1	100000	James	Schwartz	M	American	342-76-9087	5676 Washington Street	High School
2	111111	James	Schwartz	M	American	342-76-9087	5676 Washington Street	High School
3	222222	Jessica	Escobar	F	Hispanic	456-93-5629	3234 WateringCan Drive	Undergrad
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6	555555	Dean	Tracy	M	African	767-34-7656	2343 India Street	Undergrad

Check if stream is consumed, offset is moved

```
156 | select * from strm_applicant1 ;
157 |
```

↳ Results ⚡ Chart ⚡

ID	FIRST_NAME	LAST_NAME	SEX	ETHINICITY	SSN	STREET_ADDRESS	EDUCATION_LEVEL
Query produced no results							

Query Details

Query duration 109m

Rows

Query ID 01b51634-0000-a9e6-..