

## LFS303 - ENTERPRISE DATA LAKES IN LIFE SCIENCES

### Overview

In this builder session, we will demonstrate how to leverage AWS Lake Formation and other AWS services to build an Enterprise Data Lake. We will understand how different user personas interact with the Data Lake through Lake Formation. We will see how to use Lake Formation to integrate data in S3 buckets. We will understand how to use Lake Formation Data Catalog to control data access. We will use AWS Athena and Redshift to perform ad-hoc analysis in the Data Lake under different personas to show how Lake Formation controls data access to the Data Lake.

Building Data Lake with AWS Lake Formation and connecting to it through data catalog, there are multiple advantages to this approach:

- Avoid building redundant copies of the same data and have a single control place for data and metadata access
- Reduce the amount of storage required and also lower security risk
- Keep the data secure with only authorized users having access to it
- Scale the storage and compute separately as needed, but still maintain a single control plane for data access

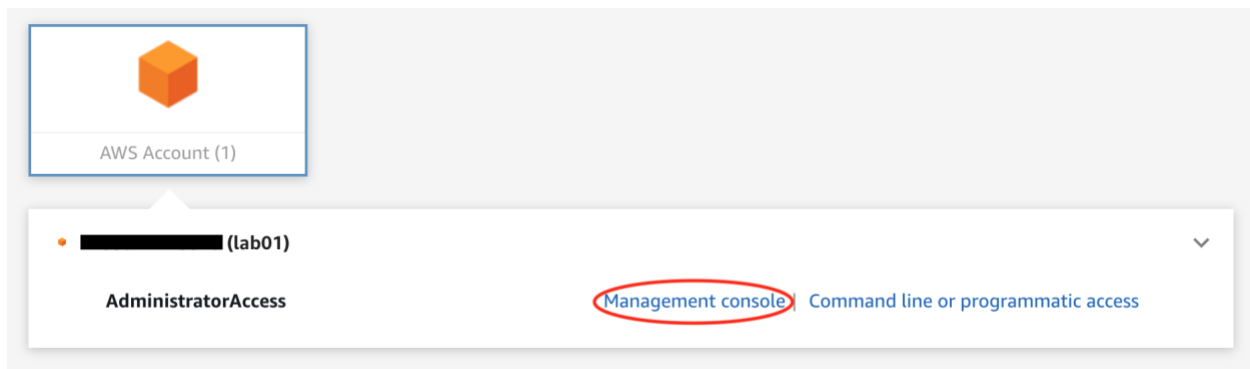
### About the Personas in This Lab

| Persona                       | Description  |
|-------------------------------|--|
| IAM Administrator (Superuser) | User who can create IAM users and roles and Amazon S3 buckets. Has the AdministratorAccess AWS managed policy. You need this permission to finish this lab.  |
| Data Lake administrator       | User who can access the data catalog, create databases, and grant Lake Formation permissions to other users. Has fewer IAM permissions than the IAM administrator, but enough to administer the data lake. |
| User with PHI access          | Users who can access PHI data in the Data Lake.  |
| User without PHI access       | Users who can access non-PHI data in the Data Lake.  |
| Workflow role                 | Service role with the required IAM policies to run a Glue workflow.  |

### Log into provided Lab AWS account

Lab instructor will provide you login link and credentials for the lab.

Please use this [link](#) to access the lab login page and credentials provided by lab instructor to log into the lab account. Once logged in, click the Management console link to reach to the provide AWS lab account's management console.



### Setup prerequisite with CloudFormation Template

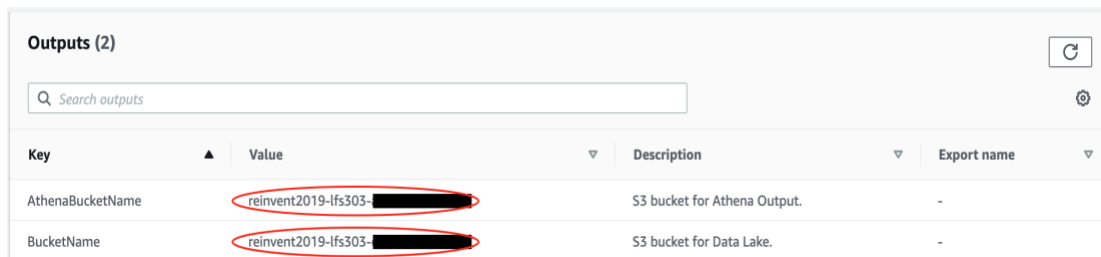
Once you logged into the provided AWS account AWS console, you have administrator access in that account. Click the CloudFormation link below to create the resources needed for the lab including S3 Buckets, IAM roles and Cloud9 environment

### [CloudFormation Template](#)

You could leave the stack name as the default or name it something you prefer. **Make sure to change UniquePostfix value to something unique** and also check the checkbox below. Then click “Create Stack”. It takes a couple minutes for the resources to be created.

A screenshot of the AWS CloudFormation 'Create stack' wizard. The 'Stack name' section has a text input field containing 'lfs303'. The 'Parameters' section has a text input field for 'UniquePostfix' containing 'default', which is circled in red. Below this, the 'Capabilities' section contains a blue box with a warning icon and text: 'The following resource(s) require capabilities: [AWS::IAM::Role]'. Below this text is a checkbox (also circled in red) with the label 'I acknowledge that AWS CloudFormation might create IAM resources with custom names.' At the bottom of the form are three buttons: 'Cancel', 'Create change set', and 'Create stack'.

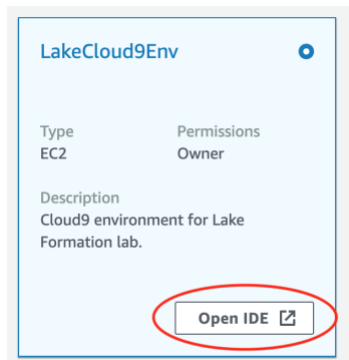
After the CloudFormation stack resources creation finished, go to the output tab and copy the value of <AthenaBucketName> and <BucketName> into a notepad. You will need the values for latter steps. If you go to S3 service now, you should see 2 buckets with those names created under your lab account.



| Outputs (2)      |   |                              |             |  |
|------------------|---|------------------------------|-------------|--|
| Search outputs   |   |                              |             |  |
| Key              | Value   | Description                  | Export name |  |
| AthenaBucketName | reinvent2019-lfs303- <span style="background-color: black; color: black;">XXXXXXXXXX</span> | S3 bucket for Athena Output. | -           |  |
| BucketName       | reinvent2019-lfs303- <span style="background-color: black; color: black;">XXXXXXXXXX</span> | S3 bucket for Data Lake.     | -           |  |

Copy Lab data into S3 Bucket

Go to Cloud9 service and open the Cloud9 IDE.



Open a new terminal by clicking Windows -> New Terminal, and execute the commands below (replacing <BucketName> with your own S3 bucket name from previous step)

```
aws s3 cp s3://reinvent2019-lfs303/NONPHI.csv s3://<BucketName>/NONPHI/NONPHI.csv
aws s3 cp s3://reinvent2019-lfs303/PHI.csv s3://<BucketName>/PHI/PHI.csv
aws s3 ls s3://<BucketName> --recursive
```

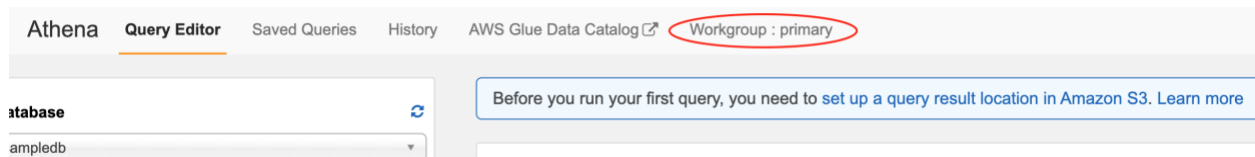
You should see the following if files copied successfully.

```
2019-11-23 01:41:53 9815312 NONPHI/NONPHI.csv
2019-11-23 01:41:54 4882781 PHI/PHI.csv
```

Closed the browser tab of Cloud9 IDE.

Config Athena Output location for primary workgroup

Go to Athena service in AWS Console, click “Get Started”. Before you could use Athena, you need to setup a query result location in S3 and we will use the S3 bucket we created earlier as the result bucket. Click “Workgroup : primary” tab



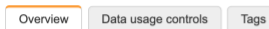
Choose primary group and click “View details”



| Name    | Description |
|---------|-------------|
| primary |             |

Notice the Query result location is not defined

Workgroup: primary



To grant access to the workgroup, [create an IAM policy](#) and attach it to a user, group or role. [Learn more](#)

|                                     |   |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| Description                         | Not defined   |
| Query result location               | Not defined   |
| CloudWatch metrics                  | Disabled  |
| Encrypt query results               | Not defined   |
| Workgroup status                    | Enabled   |
| Workgroup ARN                       | arn:aws:athena:us-east-1:485971275513:workgroup/primary |
| Bytes scanned cut off per query     | Not defined   |
| Override client-side settings       | Disabled  |
| Queries with requester pays buckets | Disabled  |

Click “Edit workgroup” and select the <AthenaBucketName> as the Query result location, then click “Save”

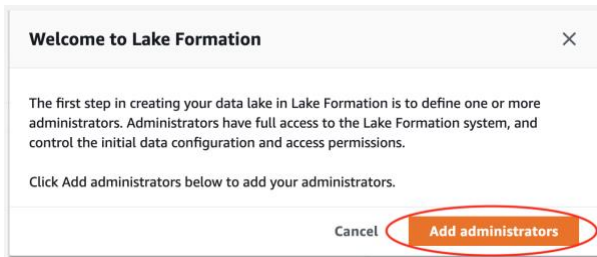
Query result location and Encryption

Query result location  [Select](#)  
Enter a path to an S3 bucket or prefix.

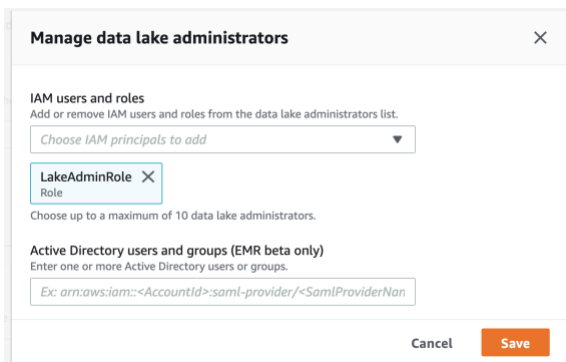
Encrypt query results ☐ Encrypt results stored in S3

Config Lake Formation

Go to Lake Formation service. You should see the following message asking you to add an administrator in Lake formation, click “Add Administrators”

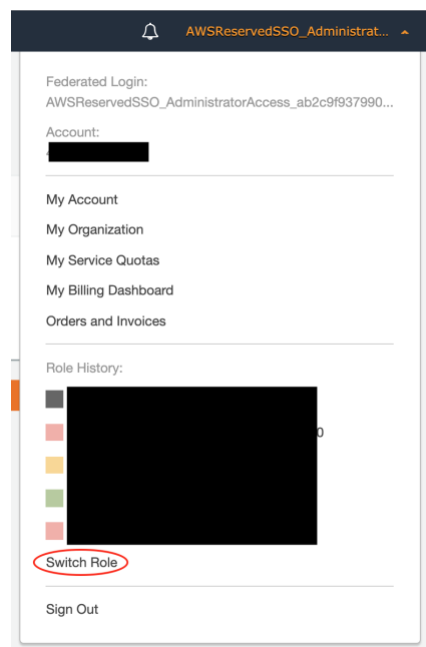


Choose "LakeAdminRole" in the dropdown and click save. You will now see the Lake Formation UI.



Note: switching roles in AWS Console in Lake Formation seems to be problematic. If you can't switch role in Lake Formation AWS Console, change to another service and switch role there.

Copy the account number from the dropdown and click "Switch Role"



Enter the account number after removing all dashes and set Role name to “LakeAdminRole”. Click “Switch Role”.

**Switch Role**

Allows management of resources across AWS accounts using a single user ID and password. You can switch roles after an AWS user authenticates. [Learn more.](#)

Account\*

Role\*

Display Name

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\*Required Cancel Switch Role

## Register your Amazon S3 storage

Lake Formation manages access to designated storage locations within Amazon S3. Register the storage locations that you want to be part of the data lake. Click “Data lake location” under Lake Formation and register the S3 bucket created by the CloudFormation template earlier.

### Register location

**Amazon S3 location**  
Register an Amazon S3 path as the storage location for your data lake.

**Amazon S3 path**  
Choose an Amazon S3 path for your data lake.

Browse

**Review location permissions - strongly recommended**  
Registering the selected location may result in your users gaining access to data already at that location. Before registering a location, we recommend that you review existing location permissions on resources in that location.

Review location permissions

**IAM role**  
To add or update data, Lake Formation needs read/write access to the chosen Amazon S3 path. Choose a role that you know has permission to do this, or choose the `AWSServiceRoleForLakeFormationDataAccess` service-linked role. When you register the first Amazon S3 path, the service-linked role and a new inline policy are created on your behalf. Lake Formation adds the first path to the inline policy and attaches it to the service-linked role. When you register subsequent paths, Lake Formation adds the path to the existing policy.

Cancel Register location

## Create a database and Grant access to Crawler role

Lake Formation organizes data into a catalog of logical databases and tables. Create one or more databases and then automatically generate tables during data ingestion for common workflows.

Click “Database” under Lake Formation and create Database and choose the location as the S3 bucket created by CloudFormation template. Uncheck “Use only IAM access control for new tables in this database” if it is checked

## Create database

### Database details

Create a database in the Data Catalog.

#### Name

lfs303

Names may contain letters (A-Z), numbers (0-9), hyphens (-), or underscores (\_), and must be less than 256 characters long.

#### Location - optional

Choose an Amazon S3 path for this database, which eliminates the need to grant data location permissions on catalog table paths that are this location's children

s3://reinvent2019-lfs303-

Browse

#### Description - optional

Enter a description

Descriptions can be up to 2048 characters long.

#### Default permissions for newly created tables

This setting maintains existing AWS Glue data catalog behavior. You can still set individual permissions, which will take effect when you revoke the Super permission from IAMAllowedPrincipals. See [Changing Default Settings for Your Data Lake](#).

☐ Use only IAM access control for new tables in this database

Cancel

Create database

Click “Data permission” under Lake Formation and click “Grant” on the upper right corner.

**AWS Lake Formation** ×

Dashboard

▼ Data catalog

Databases

Tables

Settings

▼ Register and ingest

Data lake locations

Blueprints

Crawlers [🔗](#)

Jobs [🔗](#)

▼ Permissions

Admins and database creators ⓘ

**Data permissions**

Data locations

AWS Lake Formation > Permissions

**Data permissions (1)**

Choose a database or table for which to review, grant or revoke user permissions.

🔄 Revoke **Grant**

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|   | Principal ▼   | Principal type ▼ | Resource type ▼ | Resource ▼ | Permissions ▼             | Grantable ▼               |
|---|---------------|------------------|-----------------|------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| ○ | LakeAdminRole | IAM role         | Database        | lfs303     | Alter, Create table, Drop | Alter, Create table, Drop |

Grant “LakeWorkflowRole” permissions to create/alter/drop tables in the newly database.

### Grant permissions

Choose the access permissions to grant. IAM permissions must also allow access.

#### IAM users and roles

Add one or more IAM users or roles.

Choose IAM principals to add

LakeWorkflowRole X  
Role

#### Active Directory users and groups (EMR beta only)

Enter one or more Active Directory users or groups.

Ex: `arn:aws:iam::<AccountId>:saml-provider/<SamlProviderName>:user/<UserName>`

#### Database

Add one or more databases.

Choose databases

lfs303 X

#### Table - optional

Add one or more tables.

No tables

#### Database permissions

Choose the specific access permissions to grant.

☒ Create table ☒ Alter ☒ Drop

☒ Super  
This permission is the union of the individual permissions above and supersedes them. [See here](#)

#### Grantable permissions

Choose the permissions that may be granted to others.

☐ Create table ☐ Alter ☐ Drop

☐ Super  
This permission allows the principal to grant any of the above permissions and supersedes those grantable permissions.

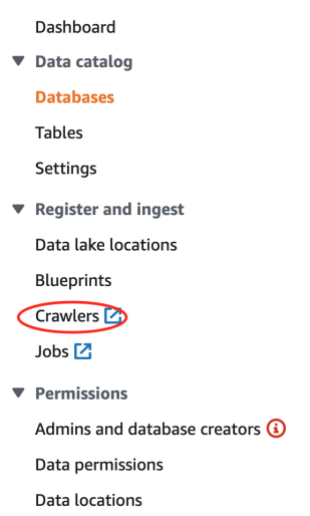
Cancel

Grant

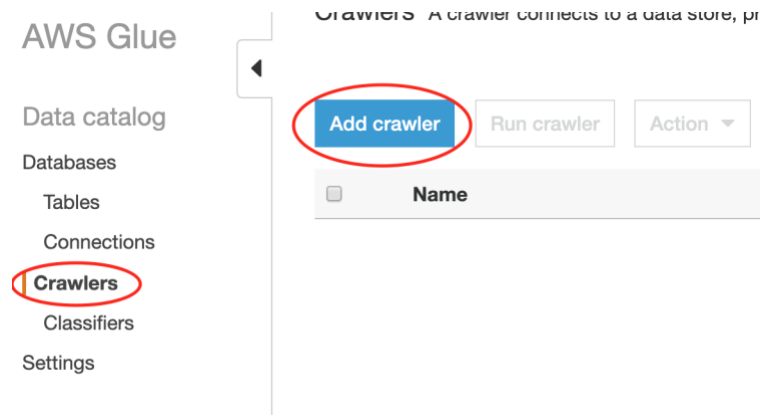
Use Glue Crawler to create tables automatically

Click “Crawler” under Lake Formation to open Glue Crawler UI in a new browser tab. Click “Get Started”





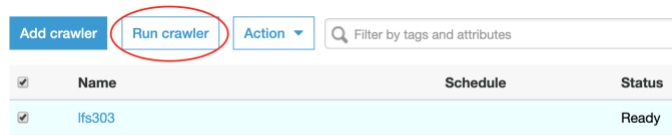
Click Crawler on the left and “Add crawler” to enter Crawler configuration screen



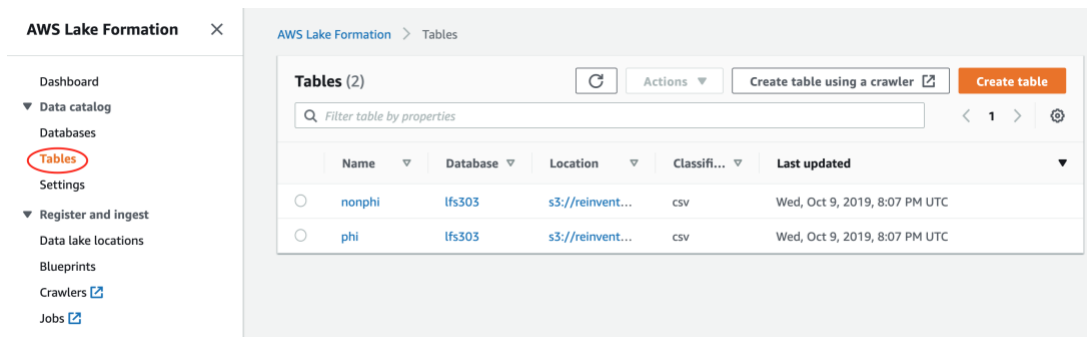
Put the following settings for the new crawler:

- Set Crawler name as “lfs303” or anything you like, then click “Next”.
- Click “Next”.
- Choose S3 as data store type and <BucketName> S3 bucket as the specified path
- Click “Next”.
- Choose “Choose an existing IAM role” and pick “LakeWorkflowRole” in the drop down, click “Next”.
- Click “Next”.
- Choose lfs303 (or the database name you named earlier) in Database name dropdown, click “Next”.
- Click “Finish”.

Choose the Crawler you just created and click “Run crawler”. The crawler should finish scanning the data and creating new tables based on the file’s schema in a couple minutes. You could examine the Crawler log to see what happened after it is done (need to switch back to the account admin user).



Close the Crawler browser tab and go back to Lake Formation tab. Click “Tables” under Lake Formation and you should see the 2 new tables created by Crawler.



## Grant Data Permission to Analyst roles

Click “Data permission” under Lake formation and grant data access to “LakePHIAnalystRole” and “LakeNonPHIAnalystRole” with the following settings. (You can also experiment with the settings and observe the outcome)

### Grant permissions

Choose the access permissions to grant. IAM permissions must also allow access.

**IAM users and roles**  
Add one or more IAM users or roles.

Choose IAM principals to add

LakeNonPHIAlystRole

**Active Directory users and groups (EMR beta only)**  
Enter one or more Active Directory users or groups.

Ex: arn:aws:iam::<AccountId>:saml-provider/<SamlProviderName>:user/<UserName>

**Database**  
Add one or more databases.

Choose databases

lfs303

**Table - optional**  
Add one or more tables.

Choose tables

nonphi

**Column - optional**  
Choose filter type

None

**Table permissions**  
Choose the specific access permissions to grant.

☐ Alter ☐ Insert ☐ Drop ☐ Delete ☒ Select

☐ Super  
This permission is the union of the individual permissions above and supersedes them. [See here](#)

**Grantable permissions**  
Choose the permissions that may be granted to others.

☐ Alter ☐ Insert ☐ Drop ☐ Delete ☐ Select

☐ Super  
This permission allows the principal to grant any of the above permissions and supersedes those grantable permissions.

Cancel Grant

### Grant permissions

Choose the access permissions to grant. IAM permissions must also allow access.

**IAM users and roles**  
Add one or more IAM users or roles.

Choose IAM principals to add

LakePHIAlystRole

**Active Directory users and groups (EMR beta only)**  
Enter one or more Active Directory users or groups.

Ex: arn:aws:iam::<AccountId>:saml-provider/<SamlProviderName>:user/<UserName>

**Database**  
Add one or more databases.

Choose databases

lfs303

**Table - optional**  
Add one or more tables.

Choose tables

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**Column - optional**  
Choose filter type

None

**Table permissions**  
Choose the specific access permissions to grant.

☐ Alter ☐ Insert ☐ Drop ☐ Delete ☒ Select

☐ Super  
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**Grantable permissions**  
Choose the permissions that may be granted to others.

☐ Alter ☐ Insert ☐ Drop ☐ Delete ☐ Select

☐ Super  
This permission allows the principal to grant any of the above permissions and supersedes those grantable permissions.

Cancel Grant

## Query data in Athena

Switch to Athena service in AWS console under the current “LakeAdminRole” role. You should be able to see the 2 tables inside the database lfs303 (or the database you named earlier). But if you try to select the data in those tables, you will receive error messages because you don’t have the data permission under “LakeAdminRole” role. The error message is a bit misleading, but the cause is the lack of permission.

Database

lfs303

Filter tables and views...

▼ Tables (2)

nonphi

phi

Create table

If you go back to Lake Formation and grant “LakeAdminRole” role the data permission to those tables, you will be able to view the data without errors.

**Grant permissions** ✕

Choose the access permissions to grant. IAM permissions must also allow access.

**IAM users and roles**  
Add one or more IAM users or roles.

Choose IAM principals to add

LakeAdminRole ✕  
Role

**Active Directory users and groups (EMR beta only)**  
Enter one or more Active Directory users or groups.

Ex: `arn:aws:iam::<AccountId>:saml-provider/<SamlProviderName>:user/<UserName>`

**Database**  
Add one or more databases.

Choose databases

lfs303 ✕

**Table - optional**  
Add one or more tables.

Choose tables

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**Table permissions**  
Choose the specific access permissions to grant.

☐ Alter ☐ Insert ☐ Drop ☐ Delete ☒ Select

☐ Super  
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**Grantable permissions**  
Choose the permissions that may be granted to others.

☐ Alter ☐ Insert ☐ Drop ☐ Delete ☐ Select

☐ Super  
This permission allows the principal to grant any of the above permissions and supersedes those grantable permissions.

Cancel Grant

Then switch roles to “LakePHIAnalystRole” and “LakeNonPHIAnalystRole” and see what is the difference inside Athena and try to understand why.

### Query Data in Redshift Spectrum (optional)

The data access control model is different in Redshift Spectrum than Athena. There are 2 Redshift clusters created by the CloudFormation template. One cluster assumes the “LakePHIAnalystRole” role for data access and the other assumes the “LakeNonPHIAnalystRole” role for data access. The clusters are named accordingly.

Switch back to the account admin user before move on. Switch to Redshift service in AWS Console and click “Clusters” on the left. Pick any of the 2 clusters and examine the IAM Roles property of the cluster. Notice it assume one of the data access roles.

Cluster: lfs303nonphi

Cluster Database Backup

Endpoint `lfs303nonphi.cnatubjrcfuvu.us-east-1.redshift.amazonaws.com:5439` (authorized) ⓘ

| Cluster Properties      |                                       | Cluster Status               |           |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------|
| Cluster Name            | lfs303nonphi                          | Cluster Status               | available |
| Cluster Type            | Single Node                           | Database Health              | healthy   |
| Node Type               | dc2.large                             | In Maintenance Mode          | no        |
| Nodes                   | 1                                     | Parameter Group Apply Status | in-sync   |
| Zone                    | us-east-1c                            | Pending Modified Values      | None      |
| Created Time            | November 30, 2019 at 8:37:10 PM UTC-6 |                              |           |
| Maintenance Track       | Current                               |                              |           |
| Cluster Version         | 1.0.11420                             |                              |           |
| Up to date              |                                       |                              |           |
| VPC ID                  | vpc-0ebae574 ( View VPCs )            |                              |           |
| Cluster Subnet Group    | default                               |                              |           |
| VPC security groups     | default (sg-78dd6c2d) (active)        |                              |           |
| Cluster Parameter Group | default.redshift-1.0 (in-sync)        |                              |           |
| Enhanced VPC Routing    | No                                    |                              |           |
| IAM Roles               | See IAM roles                         |                              |           |

### Manage IAM roles

Add or remove IAM roles from this cluster.

Available roles Choose a role ⓘ

| IAM Role  | Status  |
|---|---------|
| LakeNonPHIAnalytRole                                  | in-sync |
| arn:aws:iam::940016135646:role/LakeNonPHIAnalytRole ⓘ |         |

Cancel Apply changes

Click “query editor” on the left. Pick any of the 2 clusters and put in the following login information

Database: lfs303  
Database user: master  
Password: Password#1

**Redshift dashboard**

- Clusters
- Query editor
- Saved queries
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- Connect client
- What's new

### Credentials

Provide the following information to connect to the database you want to query.

Cluster `lfs303nonphi` ⓘ

Supported node types: dc1.8xlarge, dc2.large, dc2.8xlarge, ds2.8xlarge.

Database `lfs303` ⓘ

Database user `master` ⓘ

Password `.....` ⓘ

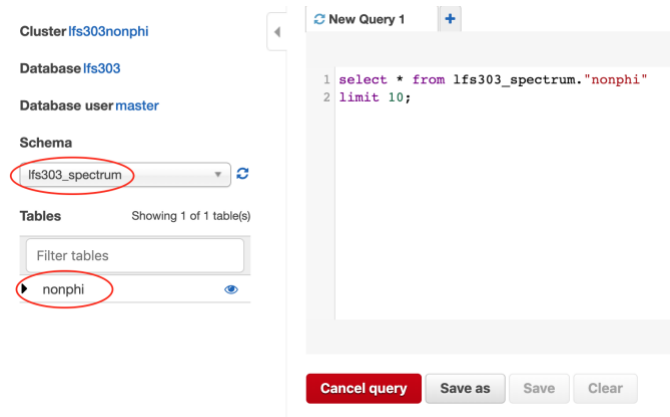
Create a temporary password

Cancel Connect

Once in the query editor, create an external schema in Redshift from Lake Formation data catalog with following command. For “Role Name”, put in “LakePHIAnalystRole” or “LakeNonPHIAnalystRole” depends on which cluster it is.

```
create external schema lfs303_spectrum
from DATA CATALOG database 'lfs303'
iam_role 'arn:aws:iam::<account id>:role/<role name>';
```

Once the external schema is created successfully, you should see it inside the dropdown for schemas. Select it as the current schema, and you will see only the tables that is accessible to the role assumed by the Redshift cluster.



### Cleanup (optional)

- Remove Registered Data Location in Lake Formation.
- Remove Database (lfs303) created in Lake Formation.
- Remove crawler (lfs303) in Glue.
- Empty both S3 buckets in S3.
- Delete the CloudFormation stack (lfs303) created in Cloud Formation.