

SNOWFLAKE ASSIGNMENT 2

TASK 2 : Set Up Snowpipe with Azure Blob Storage and monitor using COPY_HISTORY.

1. SAS Token + REFRESH PIPE (Manual / Semi-Automated)

Goal

- Use a SAS token to allow Snowflake to read files from Azure Blob Storage.
- No Azure role assignment needed.
- Semi-auto: new files are loaded when you refresh the pipe manually.

Step 1 — Generate SAS Token in Azure

1. Go to your Azure Portal → Storage Account → sfhexastorage → Containers → snowflakecontainer.
2. Click Shared access signature.
3. Set permissions:
 - Read (r)
 - List (l)
 - Optional: Write (w) only if Snowflake writes (usually not needed).
4. Set expiry date: e.g., 1 year.
5. Copy the SAS token (without the leading ?).

Example SAS token (shortened):

```
sv=2025-01-01&ss=b&srt=co&sp=rl&se=2025-12-31T23:59Z&st=2025-01-01T00:00Z&spr=https&sig=XXXX
```

Step 2 — Create File Format in Snowflake

```
CREATE OR REPLACE FILE FORMAT csv_ff
  TYPE = 'CSV'
  FIELD_DELIMITER = ','
  SKIP_HEADER = 1
  FIELD_OPTIONALLY_ENCLOSED_BY = '';
```

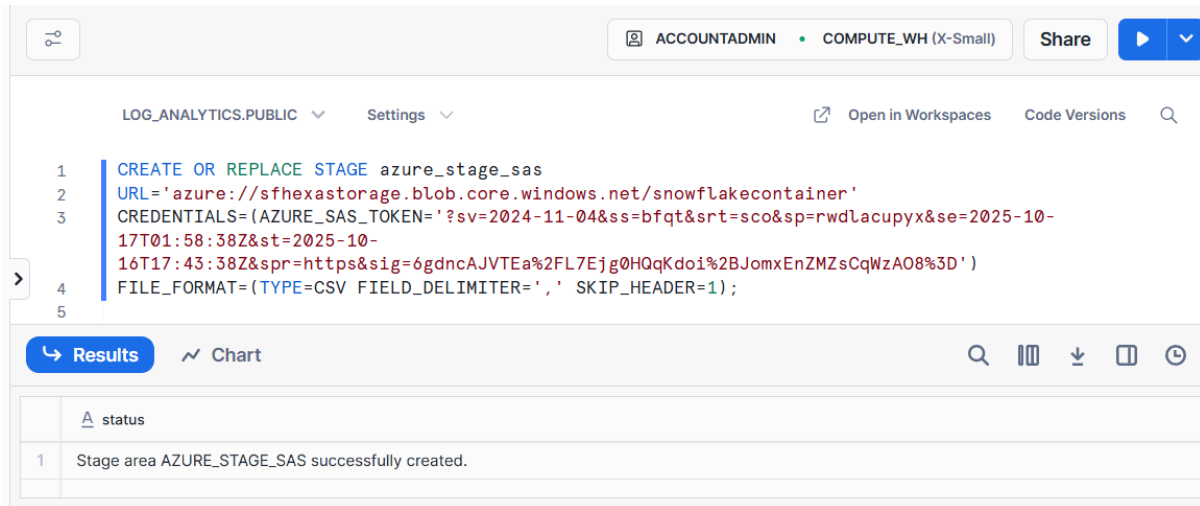
Step 3 — Create Stage using SAS Token

```
CREATE OR REPLACE STAGE azure_stage_sas
  URL='azure://sfhexastorage.blob.core.windows.net/snowflakecontainer'
```

```
CREDENTIALS=(AZURE_SAS_TOKEN='sv=2025-01-01&ss=b&srt=co&sp=rl&se=2025-12-31T23:59Z&st=2025-01-01T00:00Z&spr=https&sig=XXXX')
```

```
FILE_FORMAT = csv_ff;
```

Replace the SAS token with the one you generated.

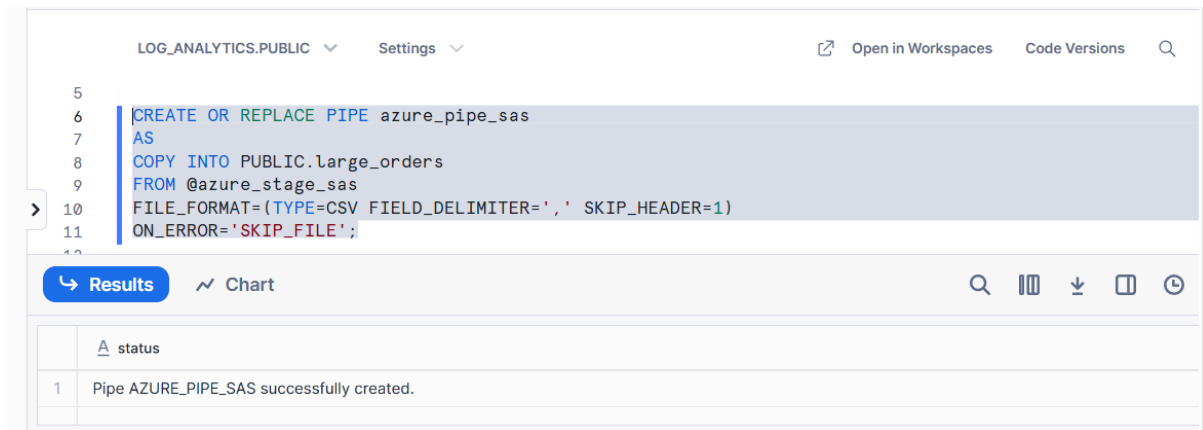


Step 4 — Create Target Table

```
CREATE OR REPLACE TABLE CUSTOMER_DATA(  
  CustomerID STRING,  
  Name STRING,  
  Email STRING,  
  Phone STRING,  
  Loaded_At TIMESTAMP_LTZ DEFAULT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP()  
);
```

Step 5 — Create Pipe

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PIPE azure_pipe_sas  
AS  
COPY INTO CUSTOMER_DATA  
FROM @azure_stage_sas  
FILE_FORMAT = (FORMAT_NAME = 'csv_ff')  
ON_ERROR = 'CONTINUE';
```



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6 CREATE OR REPLACE PIPE azure_pipe_sas
7 AS
8 COPY INTO PUBLIC.large_orders
9 FROM @azure_stage_sas
10 FILE_FORMAT=(TYPE=CSV FIELD_DELIMITER=',' SKIP_HEADER=1)
11 ON_ERROR='SKIP_FILE';
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```

Results

status
1 Pipe AZURE_PIPE_SAS successfully created.

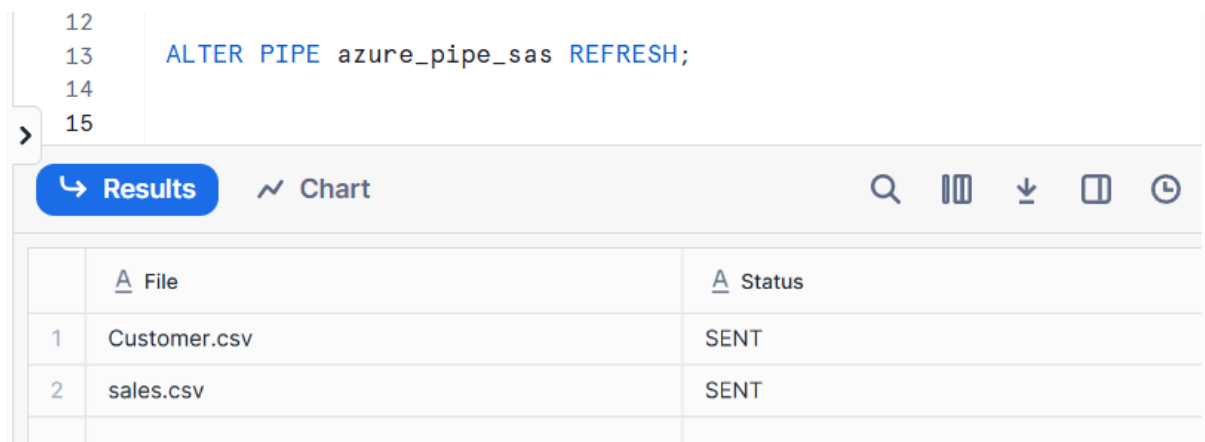
Notes:

- `AUTO_INGEST = TRUE` cannot be used here because it requires Azure role assignment.
- Instead, we'll manually trigger ingestion using `ALTER PIPE ... REFRESH`.

Step 6 — Load Files (Semi-Automatic)

Whenever new files arrive in the container:

```
ALTER PIPE azure_pipe_sas REFRESH;
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13 ALTER PIPE azure_pipe_sas REFRESH;
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```

Results

	File	Status
1	Customer.csv	SENT
2	sales.csv	SENT

- Snowflake will check the stage for new files uploaded within the last 7 days.
- It copies them into `CUSTOMER_DATA`.

Step 7 — Monitor Loads

1. Check recent loads:

```

SELECT *
FROM TABLE(COPY_HISTORY(
    TABLE_NAME=>'CUSTOMER_DATA',
    START_TIME=>DATEADD(day, -1, CURRENT_TIMESTAMP())

```

```

))

ORDER BY LAST_LOAD_TIME DESC;

```

2. Check account-wide history (last 365 days):

```

SELECT *

FROM SNOWFLAKE.ACCOUNT_USAGE.COPY_HISTORY

WHERE TABLE_NAME = 'CUSTOMER_DATA'

ORDER BY LAST_LOAD_TIME DESC;

```

3. Optional: check pipe status:

```

SELECT SYSTEM$PIPE_STATUS('AZURE_PIPE_SAS');

```



	SYSTEM\$PIPE_STATUS('AZURE_PIPE_SAS')
1	{"executionState": "RUNNING", "pendingFileCount": 0, "lastIngestedTimestamp": "2025-10-16T18:29:57.823Z", "lastIngestedFilePath": "Customer.csv", "pe

- Returns JSON with:
 - executionState
 - numFilesQueued
 - lastReceivedMessageTimestamp

Step 8 — Automate Semi-Auto Pipeline (Optional)

Since AUTO_INGEST is not possible:

- Schedule ALTER PIPE ... REFRESH every few minutes using:
 - Snowflake Task (preferred)
 - Python / Databricks script calling Snowflake REST API

Example Snowflake Task:

```

CREATE OR REPLACE TASK refresh_customer_pipe
WAREHOUSE = COMPUTE_WH
SCHEDULE = 'USING CRON 0/5 * * * * UTC'
AS
ALTER PIPE azure_pipe_sas REFRESH;

```

- This runs every 5 minutes → automatically loads new files.