DYNAMIC TABLES IN SNOWFLAKE

Snowflake provides a cost-effective, reliable, and automated way to transform our data. Instead of creating a sequential object and monitoring it to transform our data, we can simply define the end objective of the transformation in dynamic tables, then the pipeline management will be managed by Snowflake.

To demonstrate this, let's create two tables and monitor how Change Data Capture is achieved. This can be done in two ways.

- Creating streams and Tasks for Automating Change Data Capture
- Creating Dynamic Tables for Automating Change Data Capture

Creating streams and Tasks for Automating Change Data Capture

1) Creating a Table named "EMPLOYEE_DETAILS_RAW".

CREATE OR REPLACE TABLE EMPLOYEE_DETAILS_RAW (EMPLOYEE_ID NUMBER(5,0), EMPLOYEE_FIRST_NAME VARCHAR(50), EMPLOYEE_LAST_NAME VARCHAR(50), EMPLOYEE_ADDRESS VARCHAR(50));





2) Creating a table named "EMPLOYEE_DETAILS_CONFIRM".

CREATE OR REPLACE TABLE EMPLOYEE_DETAILS_CONFIRM (EMPLOYEE_ID NUMBER(5,0), EMPLOYEE_FIRST_NAME VARCHAR(50), EMPLOYEE_LAST_NAME VARCHAR(50), EMPLOYEE_ADDRESS VARCHAR(50));

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1	Table EMPLOYEE_DETAILS_CONFIRM successfully created.

3) Now we try to achieve the Change Data Capture that happened in "EMPLOYEE_DETAILS_RAW" using streams and update the "EMPLOYEE_DETAILS_CONFIRM".

4) Creating Stream named "EMPLOYEE_STREAM" on "EMPLOYEE_DETAILS_RAW". CREATE OR REPLACE STREAM EMPLOYEE_STREAM ON TABLE EMPLOYEE_DETAILS_RAW;



5) Inserting the records into "EMPLOYEE_DETAILS_RAW" and verifying the stream.

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INSERT INTO EMPLOYEE_DETAILS_RAW(EMPLOYEE_ID,
EMPLOYEE_FIRST_NAME, EMPLOYEE_LAST_NAME,
EMPLOYEE_ADDRESS)
VALUES
('1','PRADEEP','KOLLI','USA'),
('2','ANKIT','KUMAR','DELHI'),
('3','SAI','BHARADWAJA','BANGALORE');
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SELECT * FROM EMPLOYEE_STREAM;

6) From the below figure, we can see that the Change Data Capture has been captured by Stream "EMPLOYEE_STREAM".

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7) Now we create a Task named "EMPLOYEE_TASK" to automate the Change Data Capture (CDC) captured by the stream and update the "EMPLOYEE_DETAILS_CONFIRM" on a scheduled basis.

CREATE OR REPLACE TASK EMPLOYEE_TASK

WAREHOUSE = COMPUTE_WH

SCHEDULE = '1 minute'

WHEN SYSTEM\$STREAM_HAS_DATA('EMPLOYEE_STREAM') AS MERGE INTO EMPLOYEE_DETAILS_CONFIRM a USING (

SELECT * FROM EMPLOYEE_STREAM

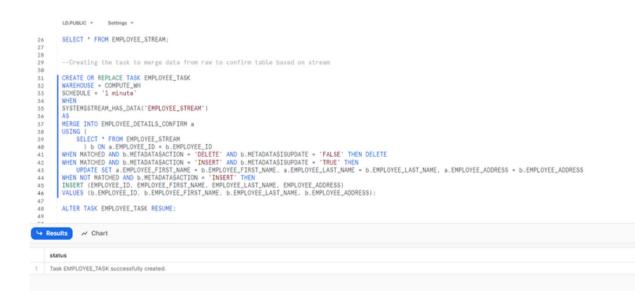
) b ON a.EMPLOYEE_ID = b.EMPLOYEE_ID

WHEN MATCHED AND b.METADATA\$ACTION = 'DELETE' AND b.METADATA\$ISUPDATE = 'FALSE' THEN DELETE

WHEN MATCHED AND b.METADATA\$ACTION = 'INSERT' AND b.METADATA\$ISUPDATE = 'TRUE' THEN

UPDATE SET a.EMPLOYEE_FIRST_NAME = b.EMPLOYEE_FIRST_NAME, a.EMPLOYEE_LAST_NAME = b.EMPLOYEE_LAST_NAME, a.EMPLOYEE_ADDRESS = b.EMPLOYEE_ADDRESS WHEN NOT MATCHED AND b.METADATA\$ACTION = 'INSERT' THEN INSERT (EMPLOYEE_ID, EMPLOYEE_FIRST_NAME, EMPLOYEE_LAST_NAME, EMPLOYEE_ADDRESS) VALUES (b.EMPLOYEE_ID, b.EMPLOYEE_FIRST_NAME, b.EMPLOYEE_LAST_NAME, b.EMPLOYEE_ADDRESS);

ALTER TASK EMPLOYEE_TASK RESUME;



8) Once the task was completed, we can see the "EMPLOYEE_DETAILS_CONFIRM" has the data init.

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43	UPDATE SET a.EMPLOYEE_FIRST_NAME = b.EMPLOYEE_FIRST_NAME, a.EMPLOYEE_LAST_NAME = b.EMPLOYEE_LAST_NAME, a.EMPLOYEE_ADDRESS = b.EMPLOYEE_ADDRESS									
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2	2	ANKIT	KUMAR	DELHI						
3	3	SAI	BHARADWAJA	BANGALORE						

9) Now let's perform some delete operation on "EMPLOYEE_DETAILS_RAW" and verify the "EMPLOYEE_DETAILS_CONFIRM"

delete from employee_details_raw where employee_id ='2'; select * from employee_stream; select * from employee_details_confirm;

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1	1	PRADEEP	KOLLI	USA
2	3	SAI	BHARADWAJA	BANGALORE

Creating Dynamic Tables for Automating Change Data Capture

10) Creating a Table named "EMPLOYEE_DETAILS_RAW" and view the data in the table.

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CREATE OR REPLACE TABLE EMPLOYEE_DETAILS_RAW (
EMPLOYEE_ID NUMBER(5,0),
EMPLOYEE_FIRST_NAME VARCHAR(50),
EMPLOYEE_LAST_NAME VARCHAR(50),
EMPLOYEE_ADDRESS VARCHAR(50)
);
SELECT * FROM EMPLOYEE_DETAILS_RAW;
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11) Creating a Dynamic table on a schedule basis to capture the Change Data Capture and update it.

CREATE OR REPLACE DYNAMIC TABLE EMPLOYEE_DETAILS_CONFIRM TARGET_LAG = '1 minute' WAREHOUSE = COMPUTE_WH AS SELECT * FROM EMPLOYEE_DETAILS_RAW;



12) Now let's insert the records in "EMPLOYEE_DETAILS_RAW" and verify the Dynamic table "EMPLOYEE_DETAILS_CONFIRM" Table.

INSERT INTO EMPLOYEE_DETAILS_RAW(EMPLOYEE_ID, EMPLOYEE_FIRST_NAME, EMPLOYEE_LAST_NAME, EMPLOYEE_ADDRESS) VALUES ('1','PRADEEP','KOLLI','USA'), ('2','ANKIT','KUMAR','DELHI'), ('3','SAI','BHARADWAJA','BANGALORE');

SELECT * FROM EMPLOYEE_DETAILS_CONFIRM;

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13) We can view the 'Dynamic Table History' under 'Activity Tab' as shown below from Snowflake UI.

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14) When we click the Dynamic Table, we see the Graph of it and the refresh history as shown in below figures.

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15) We can see the number of records that got changed or deleted from the refresh history based on the job scheduled as shown in the below figure.

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We can conclude that dynamic tables update the results of the query without creating separate objects, writing the code, scheduling tasks, or monitoring them.

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