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Table Partitioning: Secret Weapon for Big Data Problems

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Speaker Details

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| Early August | Session Code ID provided by program team for inclusion in presentation |
| Aug 25 | Completed PPT presentations and demos DUE |
| Aug 26 | PPT Review process begins. PPTs will be sent back to Speakers on an as-reviewed basis. Please do not make any further changes to your PPT at this point |
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Ask for a show of hands on 2 or 3 questions related to your session



Ask audience to spend 1 or 2 minutes introducing themselves to the person next to them – **PASS Summit is all about networking!**



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Encourage people to call out the answers!



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Agenda

Big Data starting to slow you down? Data growth putting your maintenance tasks in danger of not meeting your SLAs? Wish you could archive old data with minimal impact to your tables during the archive process or that you could eliminate most of the data in your tables when you query them? If so, it's time you consider implementing table partitioning to help with general performance and reduce your window for completing maintenance tasks.

- Learn if Partitioning can help you manage big data.
- Understand how partitioning works.
- Learn how to maintain table partitioning with an automated sliding window.

Assumptions...

- **You are not familiar with Table Partitioning and want to see how it works.**
- You have Enterprise Edition
- Highly Transactional Tables with over 50 GB of data
- General Maintenance Tasks are in danger of not meeting your SLA
- Purge and/or Archive process is slowing you down.

Session Evaluations

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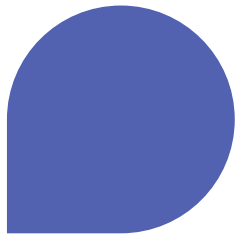
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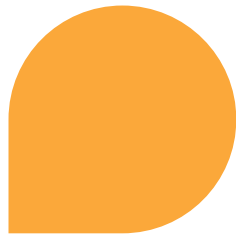
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SECONDARY PALETTE

The Big Question...

HOW CAN TABLE PARTITIONING MAKE MY LIFE EASIER?

How partitioning helps me?

- Reduce Maintenance Tasks

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- Reduce Maintenance Tasks
- Improves Purging and/or Archiving

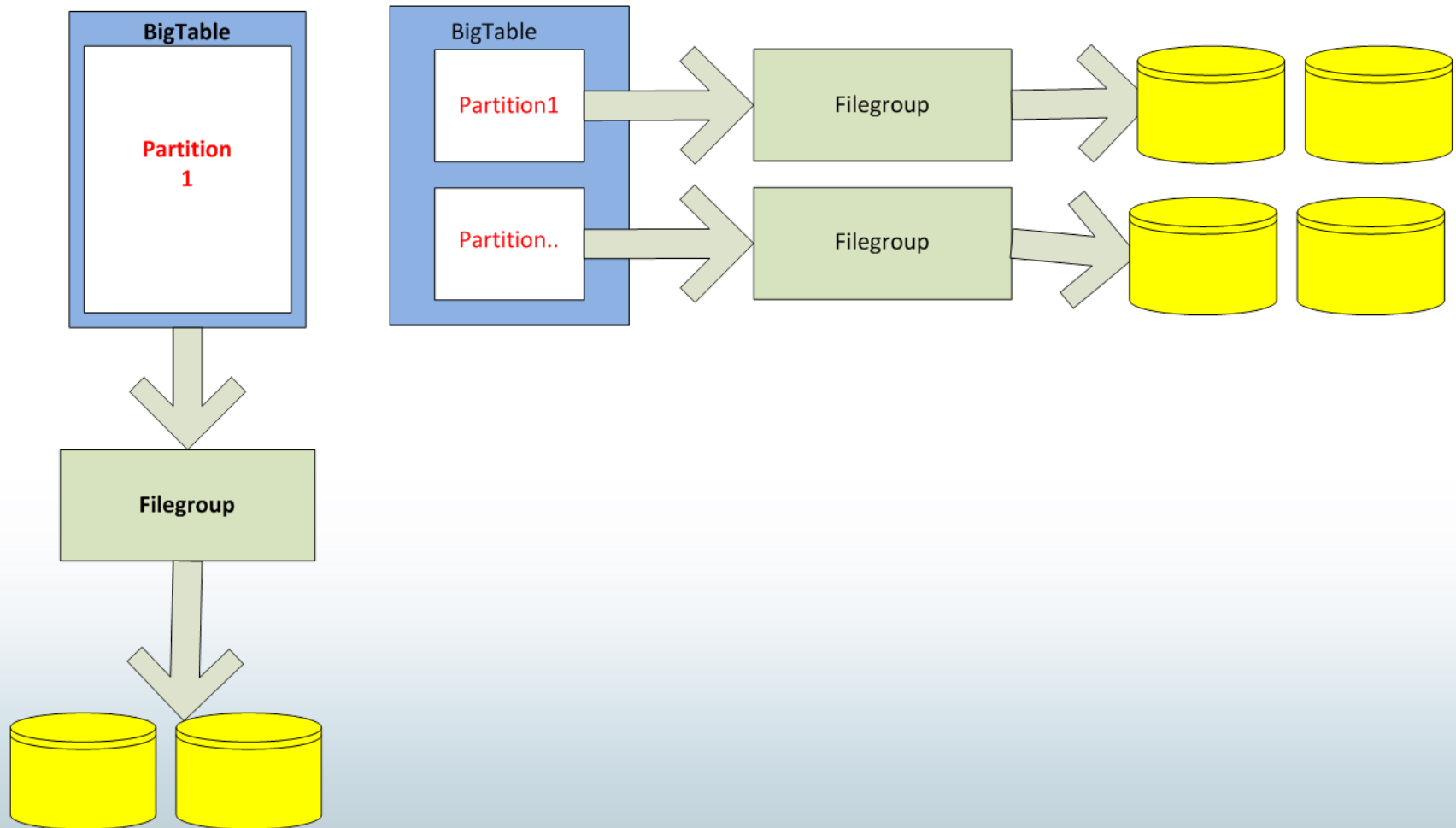
How partitioning helps me?

- Reduce Maintenance Tasks
- Improves Purging and/or Archiving
- Improves Performance

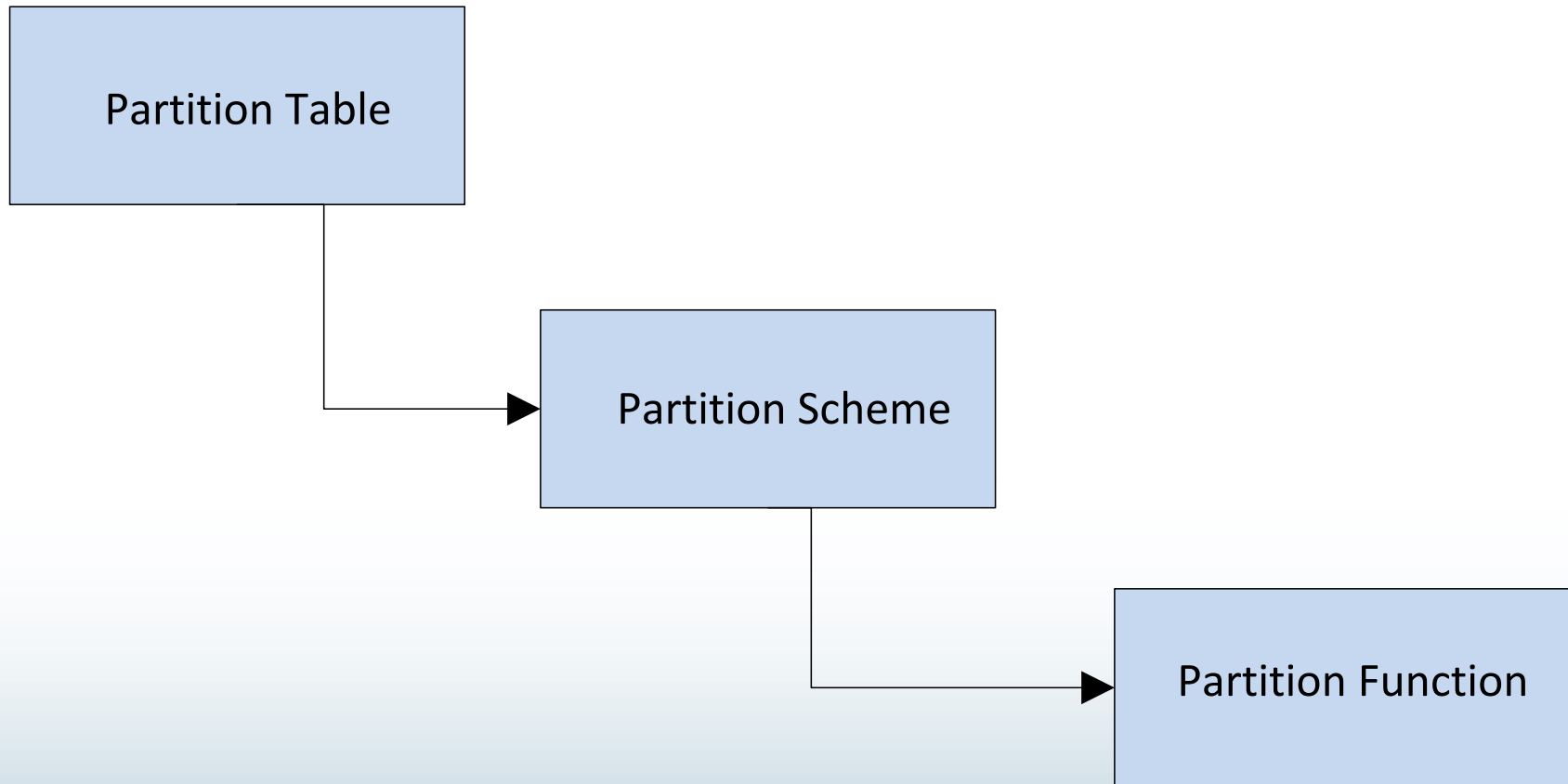
Big Question...

HOW DOES TABLE PARTITIONING WORK?

High Level...



High Level...



Selecting The Partition Column

Only get one column, use it wisely!

Column should be a highly used filter.

- Review index usage statistics
- Review Missing index statistics
- Review Queries and Talk to developers ;-)

Column must be part of clustered index

Partition Function

```
|CREATE PARTITION FUNCTION Demo1_FN (int)  
|AS RANGE LEFT FOR VALUES (100,200,300);
```

Defines the data type used to distribute data into partitions.

Assigns boundary values to split data between partitions.

Assigns the RANGE for boundary values

Partitions = Boundary values + 1

NULL values go to left most partition

Partition Function

Partition functions **are not static**. They can change over time with SPLIT and MERGE statements.

Range LEFT is used by default.

Partition Function - Range

```
|CREATE PARTITION FUNCTION Demo1_FN (int)  
|AS RANGE LEFT FOR VALUES (100,200,300);
```

{min....100}, {101...200}, {201...300}, {301...max}

```
CREATE PARTITION FUNCTION Demo1_FN (int)  
AS RANGE RIGHT FOR VALUES (100,200,300);
```

{min...99}, {100...199}, {200...299}, {300...max}

Partition Scheme

```
|CREATE PARTITION SCHEME Demo3_Scheme  
AS PARTITION Demo3_Function  
TO ([FG1], [FG2], [FG3], [FG4],[FG5],[FG6],[FG7]);
```

Assigns a partition function to a partition scheme

Assigns filegroups to partitions

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Big Question...

**HOW DOES TABLE PARTITIONING IMPROVE MY
MAINTENANCE TASKS?**

Improving Maintenance Tasks

Backup and restore filegroups based on business priorities.

Index Maintenance by partition

New Features in SQL 2014

- Rebuild index online by partition
- Incremental Statistics by partition **(SQL 2014 CTP 2)**

Incremental Statistics

Just added in SQL Server 2014 CTP2

From Books Online:

“When ON, the statistics are recreated as per partition statistics.”

Cannot be used for the following:

- Statistics created with indexes that are not partition-aligned with the base table
- Filtered Indexes

HOW DOES TABLE PARTITIONING IMPROVE PERFORMANCE?

Partition Elimination

| | |
|---|----------------------|
| Clustered Index Scan (Clustered) | |
| Scanning a clustered index, entirely or only a range. | |
| Physical Operation | Clustered Index Scan |
| Logical Operation | Clustered Index Scan |
| Actual Execution Mode | Row |
| Estimated Execution Mode | Row |
| Storage | RowStore |
| Actual Number of Rows | 9747 |
| Actual Number of Batches | 0 |
| Estimated I/O Cost | 3.15223 |
| Estimated Operator Cost | 3.35511 (100%) |
| Estimated Subtree Cost | 3.35511 |
| Estimated CPU Cost | 0.202881 |
| Number of Executions | 1 |
| Estimated Number of Executions | 1 |
| Estimated Number of Rows | 9960.2 |
| Estimated Row Size | 19 B |
| Actual Rebinds | 0 |
| Actual Rewinds | 0 |
| Partitioned | True |
| Actual Partition Count | 1 |
| Ordered | True |
| Node ID | 0 |
| Predicate | |
| [AdventureWorks2012].[Sales]. | |
| [SalesOrderHeaderEnlarged_PT].[OrderDate]>'2011-01-01 00:00:00.000' AND [AdventureWorks2012].[Sales]. | |
| [SalesOrderHeaderEnlarged_PT].[OrderDate]<'2011-12-01 00:00:00.000' | |
| Object | |
| [AdventureWorks2012].[Sales]. | |
| [SalesOrderHeaderEnlarged_PT]. | |
| [PK_SalesOrderHeaderEnlarged_PT_SalesOrderID] | |
| Output List | |
| [AdventureWorks2012].[Sales]. | |
| [SalesOrderHeaderEnlarged_PT].CustomerID | |
| Seek Predicates | |
| Seek Keys[1]: Prefix: PtnId1000 = Scalar Operator((6)) | |

| Properties | |
|--|--|
| Clustered Index Scan (Clustered) | |
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```
(9747 row(s) affected)
Table 'SalesOrderHeaderEnlarged_PT'. Scan count 1, logical reads 230,

(1 row(s) affected)


(9747 row(s) affected)
Table 'SalesOrderHeaderEnlarged'. Scan count 5, logical reads 30014,
```

Skip-Scan: Seek keys

| Index Seek (NonClustered) | |
|--|-----------------|
| Scan a particular range of rows from a nonclustered index. | |
| Physical Operation | Index Seek |
| Logical Operation | Index Seek |
| Actual Execution Mode | Row |
| Estimated Execution Mode | Row |
| Storage | RowStore |
| Actual Number of Rows | 1148 |
| Actual Number of Batches | 0 |
| Estimated I/O Cost | 0.021875 |
| Estimated Operator Cost | 0.0241924 (97%) |
| Estimated CPU Cost | 0.0023174 |
| Estimated Subtree Cost | 0.0241924 |
| Number of Executions | 1 |
| Estimated Number of Executions | 1 |
| Estimated Number of Rows | 1107.65 |
| Estimated Row Size | 15 B |
| Actual Rebinds | 0 |
| Actual Rewinds | 0 |
| Partitioned | True |
| Actual Partition Count | 7 |
| Ordered | True |
| Node ID | 1 |
| Object | |
| [AdventureWorks2012].[Sales]. | |
| [SalesOrderHeaderEnlarged_PT]. | |
| [idx_SalesOrderHeaderEnlarged_PT_CustomerID] | |
| Output List | |
| [AdventureWorks2012].[Sales]. | |
| [SalesOrderHeaderEnlarged_PT].OrderDate | |
| Seek Predicates | |
| Seek Keys[1]: Start: PtnId1000 >= Scalar Operator((1)), | |
| End: PtnId1000 <= Scalar Operator((7)), Seek Keys[2]: | |
| Prefix: [AdventureWorks2012].[Sales]. | |
| [SalesOrderHeaderEnlarged_PT].CustomerID = Scalar | |
| Operator((11091)) | |

Seek Predicates

Seek Keys[1]: Start: PtnId1000 >= Scalar Operator((1)),
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Prefix: [AdventureWorks2012].[Sales].
[SalesOrderHeaderEnlarged_PT].CustomerID = Scalar
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|---|------|
|  | |
| Misc | |
| Actual Execution Mode | Row |
| Actual Number of Batches | 0 |
| Actual Number of Rows | 1148 |
| Actual Partition Count | 7 |
| Actual Partitions Accessed | 1..7 |

Database Compression by Partition

```
- ALTER INDEX idx_SalesOrderHeaderEnlarged_PT_rowguid  
  ON Sales.SalesOrderHeaderEnlarged_PT  
  REBUILD Partition = 6  
  WITH (DATA_COMPRESSION = PAGE);  
  
- ALTER INDEX idx_SalesOrderHeaderEnlarged_PT_rowguid  
  ON Sales.SalesOrderHeaderEnlarged_PT  
  REBUILD Partition = 7  
  WITH (DATA_COMPRESSION = ROW);
```


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HOW DOES PARTITIONING IMPROVE ARCHIVING AND PURGING?

Real World Example:

| runDate | Hours | Minutes | Seconds | name |
|-------------------------|-------|---------|---------|---------------------|
| 2013-06-18 00:00:00.000 | 3 | 29 | 37 | EVENT_LOG Purge Job |

| runDate | Hours | Minutes | Seconds | name |
|-------------------------|-------|---------|---------|---------------------------|
| 2013-08-20 00:00:00.000 | 0 | 1 | 0 | EVENT_LOG - SlidingWindow |
| 2013-08-20 00:00:00.000 | 0 | 1 | 3 | EVENT_LOG - SlidingWindow |
| 2013-08-21 00:00:00.000 | 0 | 1 | 3 | EVENT_LOG - SlidingWindow |

Quickest way to move billions of rows

```
ALTER TABLE [Sales].[SalesOrderHeaderEnlarged_PT]  
    SWITCH PARTITION 2 TO [Sales].[SalesOrderHeaderEnlarged_Staging];
```

Meta data swap is quickest way to move billions of rows
assuming you can get a schema lock.

Sliding Window Goals

SPLIT and MERGE with empty partitions

Use SWITCH to do meta-data swaps

Minimize all physical data movement

Range Left - MERGE

```
ALTER PARTITION FUNCTION Demo1_FN()  
MERGE RANGE (200)
```

| PartitionSchemeName | RangeType | PartitionID | BoundaryValue | FileGroup |
|---------------------|-----------|-------------|---------------|-----------|
| Demo1_Scheme | LEFT | 1 | 100 | FG1 |
| Demo1_Scheme | LEFT | 2 | 200 | FG2 |
| Demo1_Scheme | LEFT | 3 | 300 | FG3 |
| Demo1_Scheme | LEFT | 4 | NULL | FG4 |

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| Demo1_Scheme | LEFT | 2 | 300 | FG3 |
| Demo1_Scheme | LEFT | 3 | NULL | FG4 |

Range Right - MERGE

```
ALTER PARTITION FUNCTION Demo1_FN()  
MERGE RANGE (100)
```

| PartitionSchemeName | RangeType | PartitionID | BoundaryValue | FileGroup |
|---------------------|-----------|-------------|---------------|-----------|
| Demo1_Scheme | RIGHT | 1 | NULL | FG1 |
| Demo1_Scheme | RIGHT | 2 | 100 | FG2 |
| Demo1_Scheme | RIGHT | 3 | 200 | FG3 |
| Demo1_Scheme | RIGHT | 4 | 300 | FG4 |

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| Demo1_Scheme | RIGHT | 2 | 200 | FG3 |
| Demo1_Scheme | RIGHT | 3 | 300 | FG4 |

Range Left - SPLIT

```
]ALTER PARTITION FUNCTION Demo1_FN()  
_SPLIT RANGE (350) |
```

| PartitionSchemeName | RangeType | PartitionID | BoundaryValue | FileGroup |
|---------------------|-----------|-------------|---------------|-----------|
| Demo1_Scheme | LEFT | 1 | 100 | FG1 |
| Demo1_Scheme | LEFT | 2 | 300 | FG3 |
| Demo1_Scheme | LEFT | 3 | NULL | FG4 |

| PartitionSchemeName | RangeType | PartitionID | BoundaryValue | FileGroup |
|---------------------|-----------|-------------|---------------|-----------|
| Demo1_Scheme | LEFT | 1 | 100 | FG1 |
| Demo1_Scheme | LEFT | 2 | 300 | FG3 |
| Demo1_Scheme | LEFT | 3 | 350 | FG2 |
| Demo1_Scheme | LEFT | 4 | NULL | FG4 |

Range Right - SPLIT

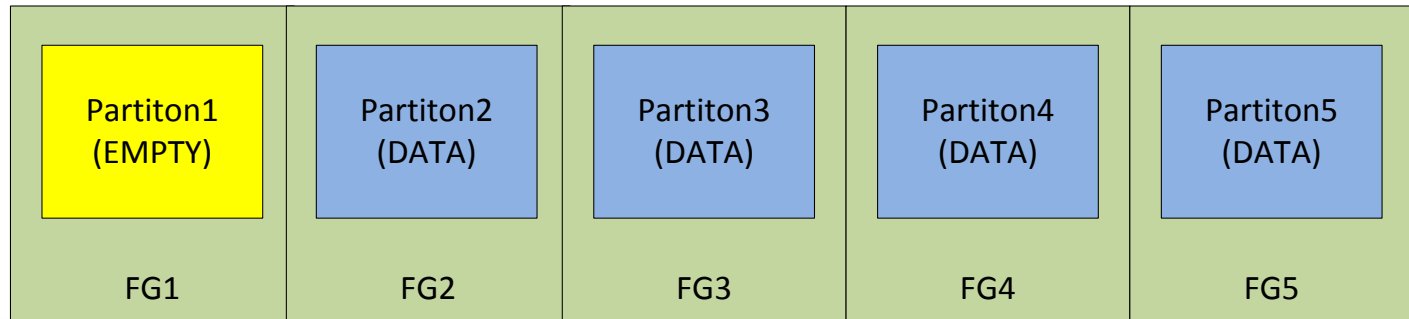
```
]ALTER PARTITION FUNCTION Demo1_FN()  
_SPLIT RANGE (350) |
```

| PartitionSchemeName | RangeType | PartitionID | BoundaryValue | FileGroup |
|---------------------|-----------|-------------|---------------|-----------|
| Demo1_Scheme | RIGHT | 1 | NULL | FG1 |
| Demo1_Scheme | RIGHT | 2 | 200 | FG3 |
| Demo1_Scheme | RIGHT | 3 | 300 | FG4 |

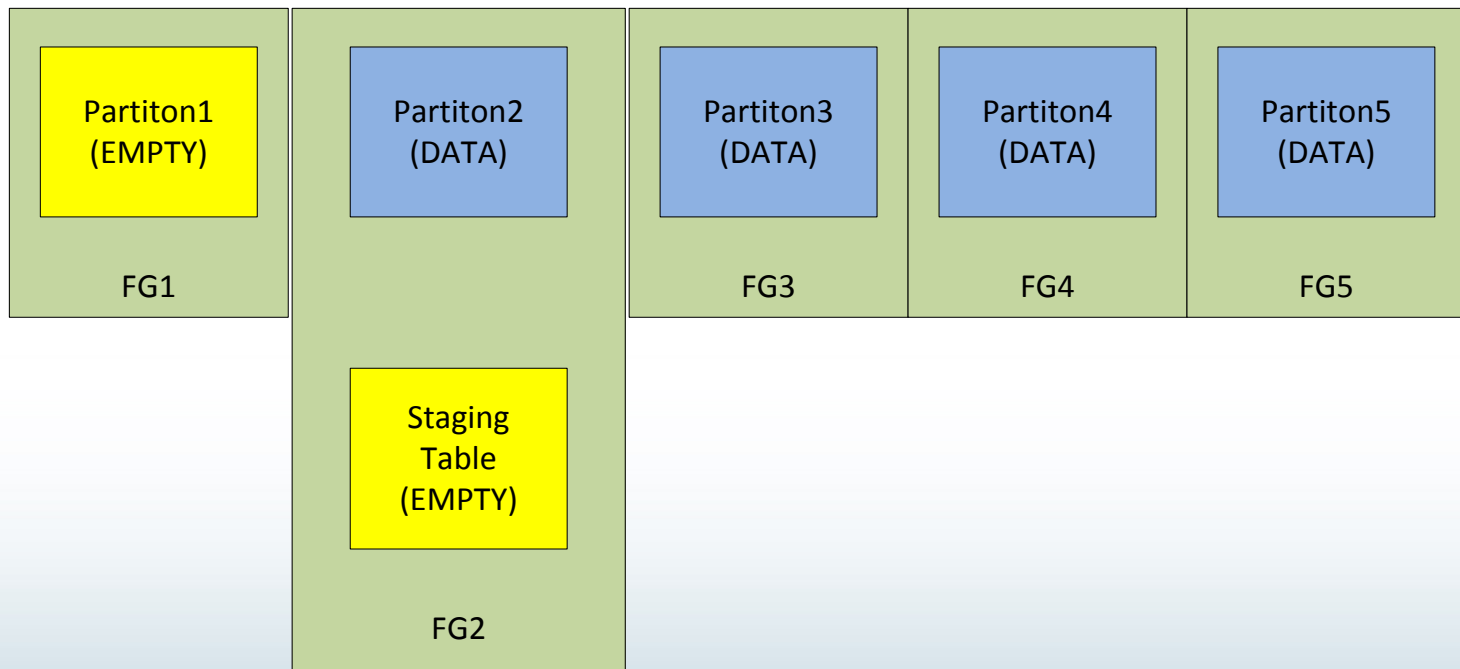
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|---------------------|-----------|-------------|---------------|-----------|
| Demo1_Scheme | RIGHT | 1 | NULL | FG1 |
| Demo1_Scheme | RIGHT | 2 | 200 | FG3 |
| Demo1_Scheme | RIGHT | 3 | 300 | FG4 |
| Demo1_Scheme | RIGHT | 4 | 350 | FG2 |

Visual Sliding Window Example

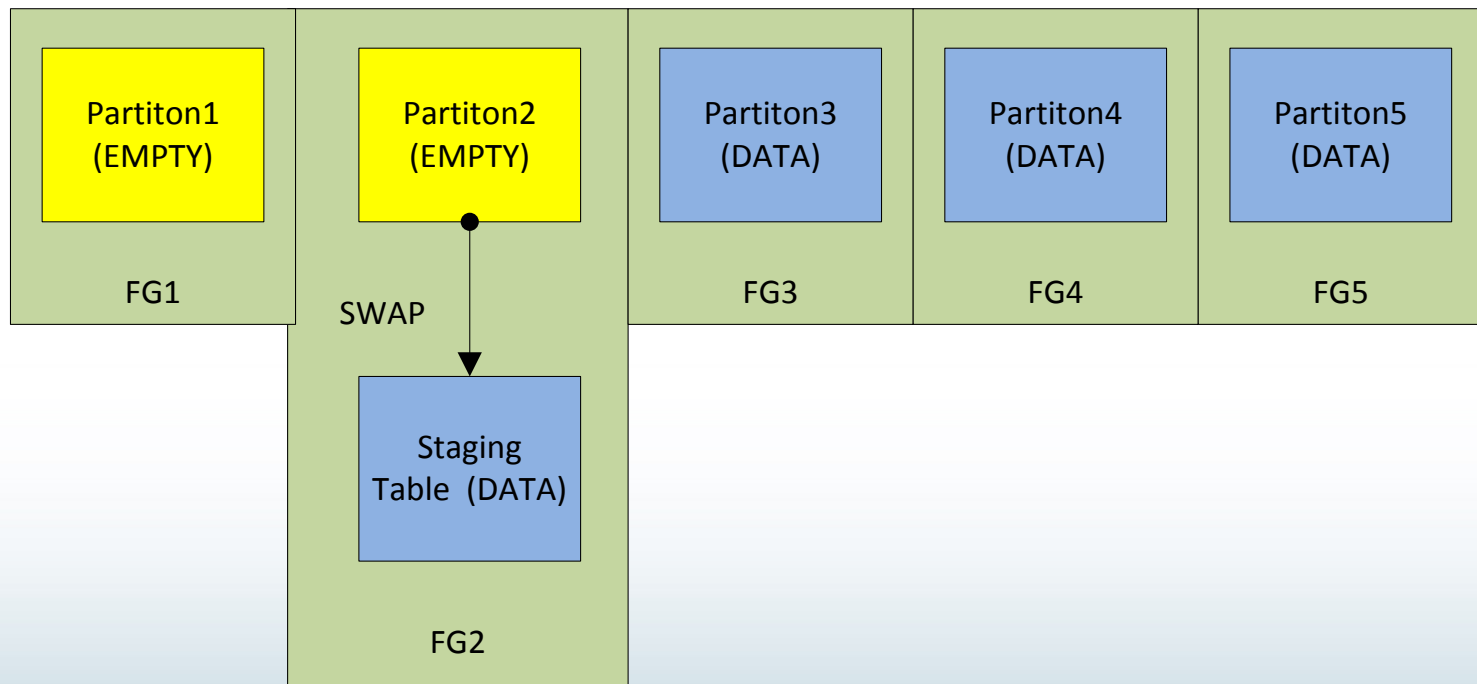
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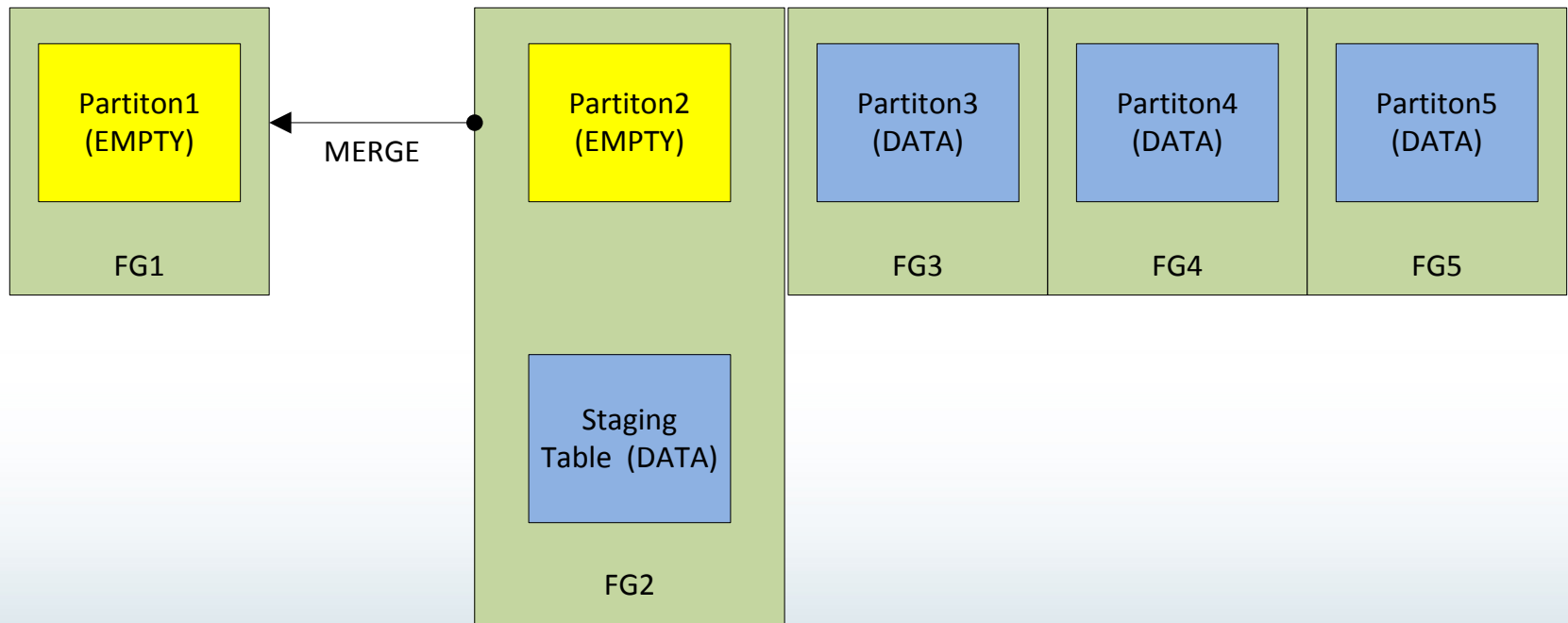
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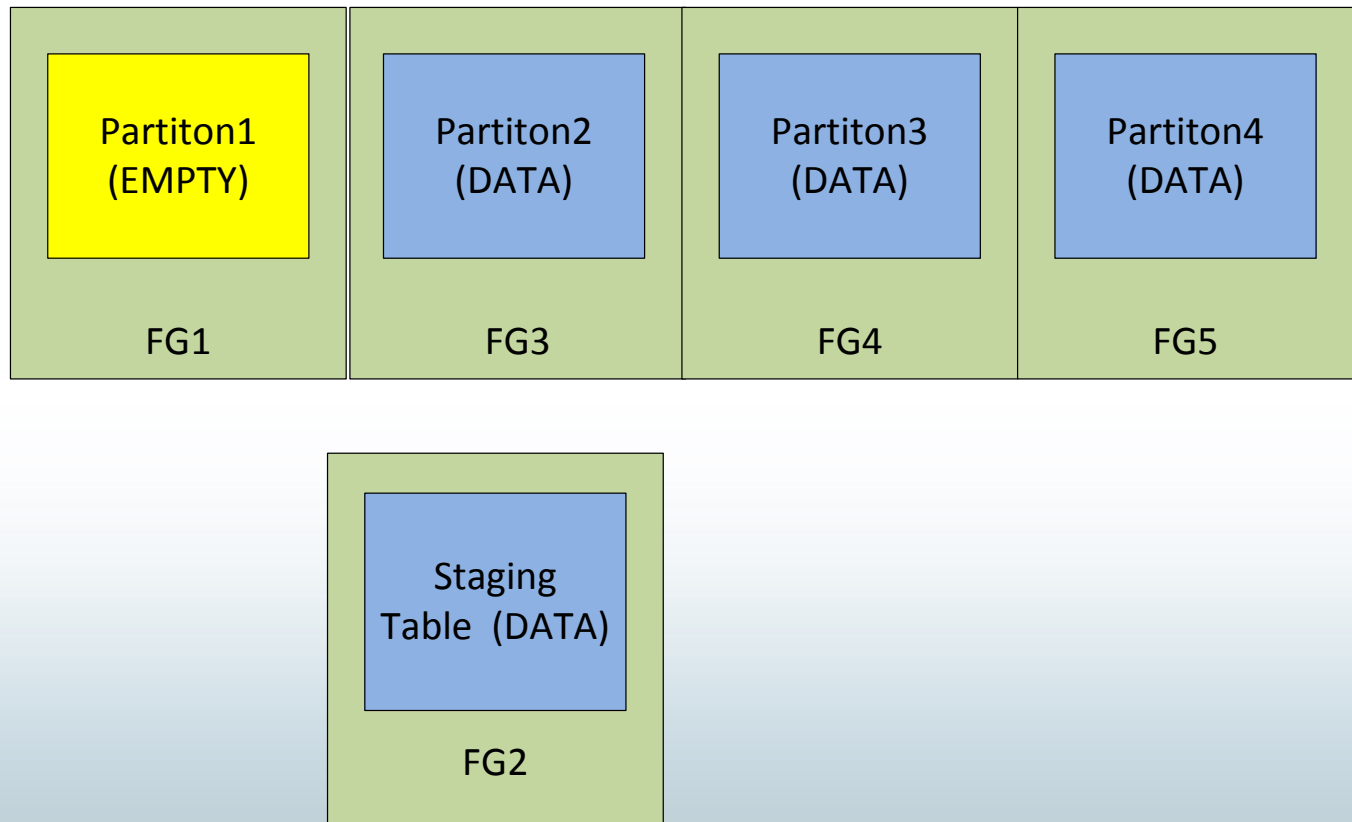
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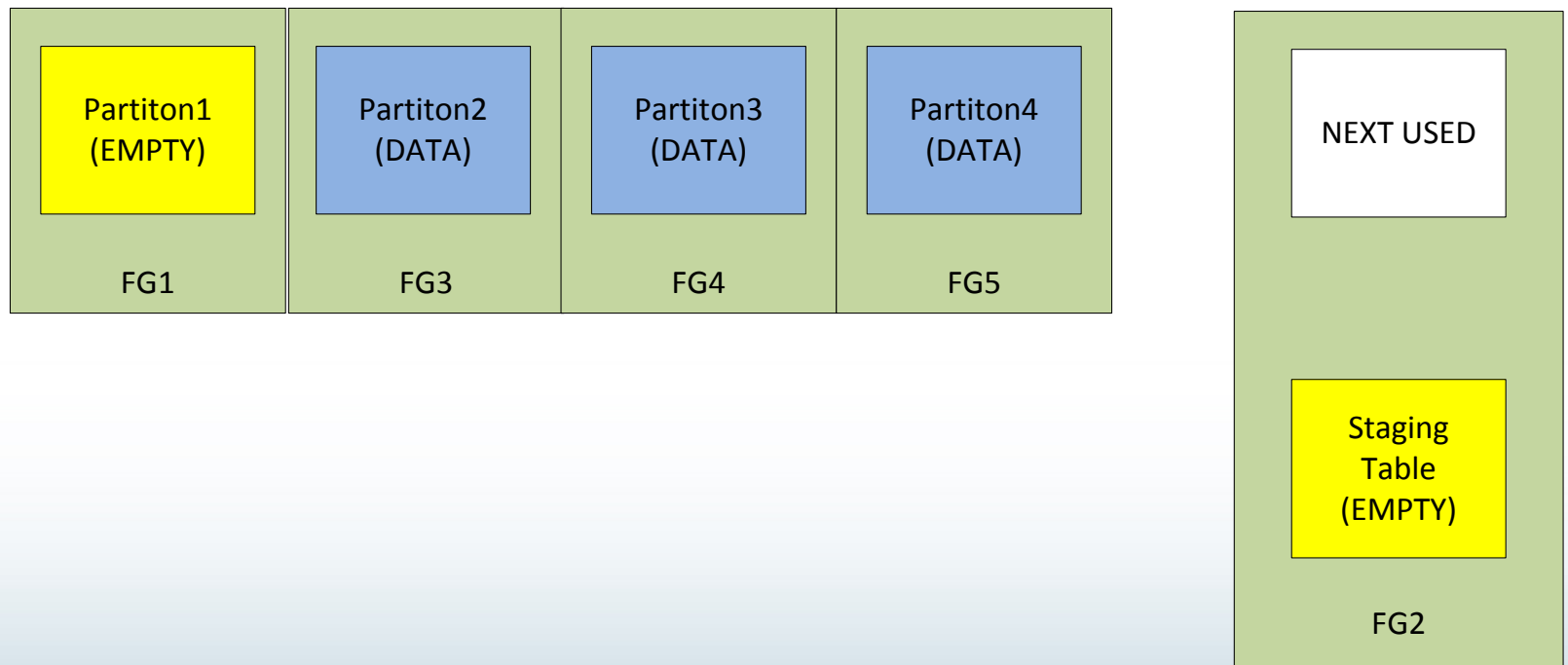
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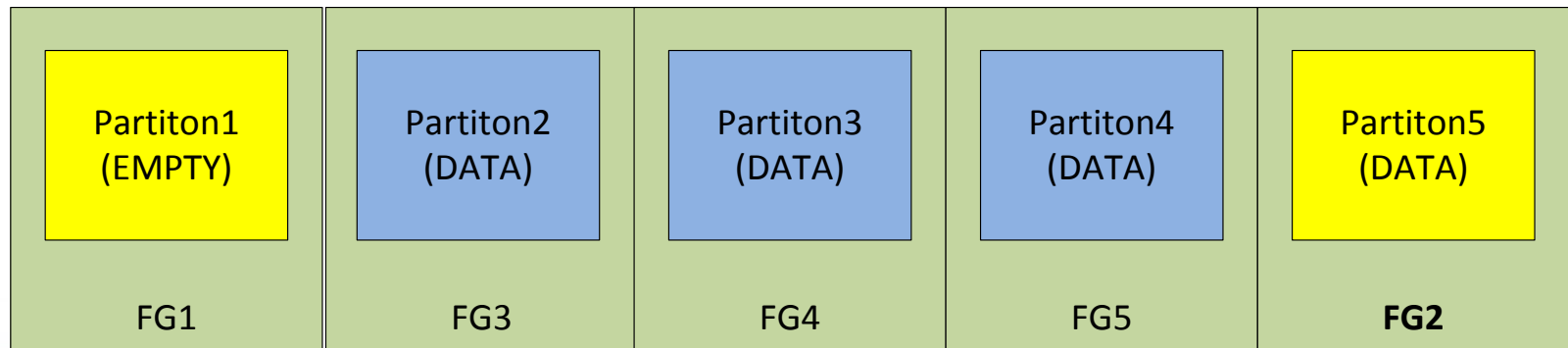
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Sliding Window Steps...

Create partition swap table (if it doesn't exist)

1. Insert partition swap meta data
2. Create staging table
3. Meta-data swap (partition 2 with staging table)
4. Merge Partitions #1 and #2
5. Mark next used partition
6. Split to create new partition
7. Update processed partition swap meta data.

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Questions...

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