Time travel with DB2 for i - Temporal tables on IBM i 7.3

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For…
DB2 for i

- Standard compliant
- Secure
- Scalable
- Functionally Advanced
- Excellent Performance
- Easier to use
- Easier to maintain

Value Proposition

V5R4
- WebQuery
- SSD Memory Preference
- On Demand Performance Center
- Health Center
- Completion of SQL Core
- Scalar fullselect
- Recursive CTE
- INSTEAD OF triggers
- Descriptor area
- XA over DRDA
- DDM 2-phase
- Scrollable cursor
- 2M SQL statement
- 1000 tables in a query

V5R3
- SQE Stage 1
- IASPs
- Identity columns
- Savepoints
- UNION in views
- Scalar subselect
- UDTFs
- DECLARE GLOBAL TEMPORARY TABLE
- Catalog views

Continual Investment and Innovation

7.1
- XML Support
- Encryption enhancements (FIELDPROCs)
- Result set support in embedded SQL
- CURRENTLY COMMITTED
- MERGE
- Global variables
- Array support in procedures
- Three-part names and aliases
- SQL Logical file support
- SQL Adaptive Query Processing
- EVI enhancements
- Inline functions
- CREATE OR REPLACE
- TR-timed enhancements
- DECLARE GLOBAL TEMPORARY TABLE
- Catalog views

7.2
- Row and Column Access Control
- XMLTABLE
- CONNECT BY
- OLAP Extensions
- TRANSFER OWNERSHIP
- Named arguments and defaults for parameters
- Obfuscation of SQL routines
- Array support in UDFs
- Timestamp precision
- Multiple-action Triggers
- Built-in Global Variables
- 1.7 Terabyte Indexes
- Navigator Graphing and Charting

7.3
- Temporal Tables
- Generated columns for auditing
- OLAP Extensions
- Regression Functions / Covariance
- EVI Only Access
- More Built-in Global Variables
- More SQL Scalar functions
- More IBM i Services
- CREATE OR REPLACE TABLE
- ATTACH & DETACH Partition
- System Limits for IFS

TR | SQL Enhancement
---|------------------------
TR4 | Fair Lock vs No Lock
TR3 | LIMIT & OFFSET
TR2 | CREATE OR REPLACE TABLE & DB2 JSON Store
TR1 | Regular Expressions
DB2 for i – Enhancements delivered via DB2 PTF Groups

TR2-timed Enhancements
- Create OR REPLACE table
- JSON – DB2 Store Technology Preview
- SQE Performance improvements
- And more…

TR3-timed Enhancements
- LIMIT and OFFSET
- Guardium V10 and other database security monitoring enhancements
- SQE Performance improvements
- More IBM i Services
- New SQL built-in functions
- Enhancements for SAP on i clients

TR4-timed Enhancements
- Inlined UDTFs
- Trigger (re)deployment
- More IBM i Services
- New DB2 built-in Global Variables
- Enhanced SQL Scalar functions
- Guardium on i enhancement
- Evaluation option for DB2 SMP & DB2 Multisystem

Enhancements in 7.3:
- Temporal Tables
- Generated columns for auditing
- New OLAP built-ins
- Raised architecture limits
- New support for partitioned tables
- More IBM i Services
- All TR-timed enhancements

www.ibm.com/developerworks/ibmi/techupdates/db2
Reasons to Upgrade – Database

Why move to IBM i 7.2?

- Database performance
  - SQE handles Native DB access
  - New I/O Costing Model
  - EVI Only Access

- Data-centric security
  - Row & Column Access Control for SQL and DDS files

- Developer productivity
  - Default parameters on functions
  - Built-in Global Variables
  - Many other improvements

- Workload insight
  - Improved SQL Plan Cache
  - Performance Data Perspectives

Why move to IBM i 7.3?

- Data-centric history
  - System-period Temporal table support for SQL tables and DDS created physical files

- Data-centric accountability
  - Generated columns for SQL and DDS files
  - Authority Collection to avoid excess authority

- On-Line Analytical Processing (OLAP)
  - New OLAP built-in functions
  - Improved capabilities for DB2 Web Query, Cognos Analytics and other BI tools

- Improved value from priced options
  - DB2 SMP – Parallel execution of OLAP
  - DB2 Multisystem – Attach/Detach partitions

- Plus 7.3 TR-timed enhancements
Knowledge Center and IBM i 7.3

Read about it… (live links in the pdf)

• SQL Reference - What's New
• SQE Optimizer - What's New
• Temporal Tables - Administration
• Temporal Tables - Programming
• Generated Columns for Auditing
• On-Line Analytical Processing (OLAP) specifications
• OLAP specifications - Examples
• IBM i Navigator - database enhancements
DB2 for i – Tech Tip Series

Follow my adventures in a new Tech Tip Series where I explain DB2 for i on IBM i 7.3.

“TechTip: i Illuminate 7.3 – Series”
Accompany an apprentice wizard on this tour of IBM i 7.3 and avoid being whomped by a willow or suffer from petrification.

Temporal Tables & Generated Columns

http://www.ibm.com/developerworks/ibmi/techupdates/i73
DB2 for i – Business questions

With Temporal Table & Generated columns, you can:

- Show me the client reps from two years ago?

- Produce an inventory report using a different point in time

- Who deleted that row?

- Who last updated this row?
DB2 for i – SQL answers

With Temporal Table & Generated columns, you can:

- **Show me the client reps from two years ago?**
  ```sql
  SELECT CLIENT_REP FROM ACCOUNTS
  FOR SYSTEM_TIME AS OF CURRENT TIMESTAMP – 2 YEARS
  ```

- **Produce an inventory report using a different point in time**
  ```sql
  SET CURRENT TEMPORAL SYSTEM_TIME '2016-03-22 17:00:00';
  CALL GENERATE_INVENTORY_REPORT();
  ```

- **Who deleted that row?**
  ```sql
  SELECT AUDIT_USER, AUDIT_JOB FROM SALES
  FOR SYSTEM_TIME FROM CURRENT DATE – 1 MONTH TO CURRENT DATE WHERE AUDIT_OP = ‘D’
  ```

- **Who last updated this row?**
  ```sql
  SELECT AUDIT_USER, AUDIT_CLIENT_IP FROM ITEM_FACT
  WHERE ITEM_KEY = ‘125A16’
  ```
History – Do It Yourself

Accessing Data
• SELECT

Current

UNION

Triggers

History

Modifying Data
• INSERT
• UPDATE
• DELETE

Modifying Data
• INSERT
• UPDATE
• DELETE
History – DB2 for i Managed

Accessing Data
• SELECT

Modifying Data
• INSERT
• UPDATE
• DELETE

Current

DB2 Managed

History

Accessing Data
• SELECT

Modifying Data
• INSERT
• UPDATE
• DELETE (DBE Only)
Temporal construction for data-centric history

```sql
ALTER TABLE account
  ADD COLUMN row_birth
    TIMESTAMP(12) NOT NULL
    GENERATED ALWAYS AS ROW BEGIN
ADD COLUMN row_death
    TIMESTAMP(12) NOT NULL
    GENERATED ALWAYS AS ROW END
ADD COLUMN transaction_time
    TIMESTAMP(12)
    GENERATED ALWAYS AS TRANSACTION START ID
ADD PERIOD SYSTEM_TIME (row_birth, row_death)

CREATE TABLE account_hist LIKE account

ALTER TABLE account
  ADD VERSIONING USE HISTORY TABLE account_hist
```

Establish birth/death of a row
Create history table
Enable Temporal tracking
Temporal construction for data-centric history

ALTER TABLE account
  ADD COLUMN row_birth
    TIMESTAMP(12) NOT NULL IMPLICITLY HIDDEN
    GENERATED ALWAYS AS ROW BEGIN
  ADD COLUMN row_death
    TIMESTAMP(12) NOT NULL IMPLICITLY HIDDEN
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  ADD COLUMN transaction_time
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Accessing a Temporal Table

- SQL statements reference the current table, DB2 accesses the history table as needed

- New clauses on the SELECT statement
  - FOR SYSTEM TIME AS OF <value>
  - FOR SYSTEM TIME FROM <value> TO <value>
  - FOR SYSTEM TIME BETWEEN <value> AND <value>

- New special register
  - CURRENT TEMPORAL SYSTEM_TIME
Temporal in motion

Inserting rows does not impact the history table

- ROW BEGIN (RB) Column – timestamp when the row was born
- ROW END (RE) Column – set to “end of time”
Temporal in motion

Updating rows causes rows to be added to the history table

- ROW BEGIN (RB) Column – timestamp when the row was born
- ROW END (RE) Column – the death of the row results in the RE of the historical row matching the RB of the active row
Temporal in motion

Deleting rows removes them from the temporal table and adds them to history table

- ROW END (RE) Column – set to the death time of the row
DB2 for i
&
Row Level Auditing
Row level auditing with Generated Columns

• What you have on previous releases:
  – When was this row last updated? (*row-change-timestamp-clause*)

• New Generated expressions in IBM i 7.3:
  – DATA CHANGE OPERATION (I/U/D)
  – Special register
  – Built-in Global Variable

```
special-register

|---+CURRENT_CLIENT_ACCTNG--------+
  +CURRENT_CLIENT_APPLNAME-----+
  +CURRENT_CLIENT_PROGRAMID---+
  +CURRENT_CLIENT_USERID------+
  +CURRENT_CLIENT_WRKSTNNAME++
  +CURRENT_SERVER-------------+
  '++SESSION_USER--------------'
  'USER-------------'

built-in-global-variable

|---+QSYS2.JOB_NAME--------------------------+
  +QSYS2.SERVER_MODE_JOB_NAME------+
  +SYSIBM.CLIENT_HOST------------+
  +SYSIBM.CLIENT_IPADDR---------+
  +SYSIBM.CLIENT_PORT-----------+
  +SYSIBM.PACKAGE_NAME---------+
  +SYSIBM.PACKAGE_SCHEMA-------+
  +SYSIBM.PACKAGE_VERSION------+
  +SYSIBM.ROUTINE_SCHEMA-------+
  +SYSIBM.ROUTINE_SPECIFIC_NAME+
  'SYSIBM.ROUTINE_TYPE-----------'
```
Row level auditing with Generated Columns

- Establish generated columns into existing files
- Works for SQL Tables & DDS Created Physicals
- No need to change applications

ALTER TABLE account
ADD COLUMN audit_type_change CHAR (1)
  GENERATED ALWAYS AS (DATA CHANGE OPERATION)
ADD COLUMN audit_user VARCHAR(128)
  GENERATED ALWAYS AS (SESSION_USER)
ADD COLUMN audit_client_IP VARCHAR(128)
  GENERATED ALWAYS AS (SYSIBM.CLIENT_IPADDR)
ADD COLUMN audit_job_name VARCHAR(28)
  GENERATED ALWAYS AS (QSYS2.JOB_NAME)
Data Change Operation and Row-level Auditing detail

History table stores previous versions of a system-period temporal table’s rows

- **ROW BEGIN (RB) Column** – timestamp when the rows were born
- **ROW END (RE) Column** – set to “end of time”
- **Data Change Operation (CHG)** – ‘I’ for INSERT
- **Session User (USR)** – identity of inserter

![Insert](image)
Data Change Operation and Row-level Auditing detail

History table stores previous versions of a system-period temporal table’s rows

- ROW BEGIN (RB) Column – Birth
- ROW END (RE) Column – Death
- Data Change Operation (CHG) – ‘U’ for UPDATE
- Session User (USR) – identity of updater

<table>
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<th>Temporal TABLE</th>
<th>RB</th>
<th>RE</th>
<th>TS</th>
<th>CHG</th>
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Update
ON DELETE ADD EXTRA ROW – in motion

History table stores previous versions of a system-period temporal table’s rows

- ROW BEGIN (RB) Column – Birth
- ROW END (RE) Column – Death
- Data Change Operation (CHG) – ‘D’ for DELETE
- Session User (USR) – identity of deleter
DB2 Multisystem (feature of IBM i)

• Provides ability to partition tables
  – Non-partitioned tables are limited to 4.2B rows or 1.7TB
  – Partitioning multiplies these limits by up to 256 times
    o Limits of over one trillion rows and 435TB
  – Management benefits
    o Efficient removal of old data
    o Faster save times
    o Ability to detach partitions in IBMi 7.3
    o Improved query performance

• Planning is critical
  – White Paper:
    Table Partitioning Strategies for DB2 for i
    https://ibm.biz/PartitionedTablesIBMi
  – DB2 for i VLDB Consulting Workshop
    https://ibm.biz/DB2CoEworkshops
ALTER TABLE ATTACH and DETACH Partitions

ALTER TABLE DETACH PARTITION allows for the efficient roll-out of a partition that is no longer needed to be kept online.

- **ALTER TABLE DROP PARTITION** – Delete the data
- **ALTER TABLE DETACH PARTITION** – Retain the data, creating a new single partition, partitioned table

```
ALTER TABLE orders DETACH PARTITION p2011 INTO Archived_OrdersTable
```

OrdersTable (partitioned by year)

```
OrdersTable
2011 2012 2013 2014 2015
```

Archived_OrdersTable

```
2011
```
Temporal history – rows organized by time

- Temporal table history tables contain rows that are natural to organize by time.
- The history table can be partitioned, even if the system-time temporal table is not partitioned.
- Why consider using local partitioning for your history table?
  1. Improved query execution
  2. Reduced index maintenance
  3. Faster save times
  4. Ease of use when data is has aged beyond relevance

```
CREATE TABLE account_history LIKE account
PARTITION BY RANGE (row_death)
(PARTITION p2016 STARTING ('01/01/2016') INCLUSIVE ENDING ('01/01/2017') EXCLUSIVE,
  PARTITION p2017 STARTING ('01/01/2017') INCLUSIVE ENDING ('01/01/2018') EXCLUSIVE,
  PARTITION p2018 STARTING ('01/01/2018') INCLUSIVE ENDING ('01/01/2019') EXCLUSIVE,
  PARTITION p2019 STARTING ('01/01/2019') INCLUSIVE ENDING ('01/01/2020') EXCLUSIVE);
```
Try before you buy! On any IBM i 7.x release!

DB2 Symmetric Multiprocessing – Option 26
DB2 Multisystem – Option 27

The IBM Lab Services DB2 for IBM i team has the ability to allow you to evaluate either of these options for up to 70 days, for no charge.

This is a simpler, no strings attached, way to evaluate these valuable database options.

Interested?

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Temporal – history behind the scenes

SELECT * FROM account WHERE ACCT_ID = '88880001';

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<th>INSTANCE_BEGIN</th>
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<td>60000.00</td>
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Temporal – more example queries

- Compare balance **between** different points in time for account 88880001

```sql
SELECT T1.BALANCE AS BALANCE_2013,
      T2.BALANCE AS BALANCE_2014
FROM account FOR SYSTEM_TIME AS OF '2013-12-31' T1,
     account FOR SYSTEM_TIME AS OF '2014-12-31' T2
WHERE T1.ACCT_ID = '88880001' AND T2.ACCT_ID = '88880001';
```

<table>
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<th>BALANCE_2013</th>
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Temporal – more example queries

- Query all versions of rows for account 88880001

```sql
SELECT ACCT_ID,
       BALANCE,
       BALANCE - LAG(BALANCE,1,0)
       OVER(ORDER BY TRANSACTION_TIME) AS CHANGES,
       TRANSACTION_TIME,
       ROW_DEATH
FROM account FOR SYSTEM_TIME
BETWEEN '0001-01-01' AND '9999-12-30'
WHERE ACCT_ID= '88880001'
ORDER BY transaction_time ASC;
```

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LAG is one of many new OLAP specifications added in IBM i 7.3.
Temporal – System-period temporal table details

• Can be either a DDS-created physical file or an SQL table
• Associated with a single history table
• Must be journaled
• Generated columns can be IMPLICITLY HIDDEN
• Things you can do while versioning is enabled:
  ❖ Add columns or expand their width
  ❖ Attach Partitions
• Things you can’t do while versioning is enabled:
  ❖ Add Generated columns
  ❖ Drop Columns or reduce their width
  ❖ Drop or Detach Partitions
  ❖ Use DSPDBR or DSPFD to view temporal existence or details
Temporal – History table details

- Must be an SQL table and reside within the same library
- Must match the production table format
- Must be journaled
- Can be partitioned or non-partitioned
- Things you **can do** with history
  - Remove old history
    - DELETE
    - TRUNCATE
    - ALTER TABLE DROP PARTITION
    - ALTER TABLE DETACH PARTITION
- Things you **can’t do** with history:
  - Drop, alter or change the history table
  - Use DSPDBR or DSPFD to view temporal existence or details
SYSTIME - Bind Option

Programs have a build time control for System Time Sensitivity:

- **SYSTEM_TIME_SENSITIVE** column within QSYS2.SYSPROGRAMSTAT
  
  - NULL or ‘NO’ – Program is not time sensitive
  
  - ‘YES’ – Program is time sensitive

- Programs built prior to IBM i 7.3 are by default, **not time sensitive**
  
  - This means that the special register has no effect

- Programs re(built) on IBM i 7.3 are by default, **time sensitive**
  
  - This means that the special register has effect

**Build time controls:**

- Routines (SQL/External) → SET OPTION SYSTIME = *YES or *NO

- CRTSQLxxx → OPTION(*SYSTIME or *NOSYSTIME)
  
  - Specifies that references to system-period temporal tables in both static and dynamic SQL statements are affected by the value of the CURRENT TEMPORAL SYSTEM_TIME special register.

- RUNSQLSTM → SYSTIME(*YES or *NO)
CURRENT TEMPORAL SYSTEM_TIME – special register

• The register affects any system-period temporal table in the query
  – Allows reuse of previous functions/procedures with new periods of time
  – Effects queries executed after setting the register
  – Works for external functions/procedures (C/C++/RPG)
  – When this register set to a non-null value:
    o Explicit time specification cannot be used within the SQL query
    o Cursors not updatable

SET CURRENT TEMPORAL SYSTEM_TIME = '2014-09-02';

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System i Navigator and Temporal

Schemas → Tables … Add Temporal columns to your Navigator view
Generate SQL ... Use the Temporal versioning option to generate complete SQL

```sql
INSERT INTO EMPLOYEE_HIST

GRANT ALTER, DELETE, INDEX, INSERT, REFERENCES, SELECT, UPDATE
ON MYBiz8.EMPLOYEE TO SCOTTF WITH GRANT OPTION;

ALTER TABLE MYBiz8.EMPLOYEE
ADD VERSIONING USE HISTORY TABLE MYBiz8.EMPLOYEE_HIST;

connected to relational database SQ730 on sq730 as scottf - 134555/quser/qdasoinit
```
System i Navigator and Temporal

Table Definition... Add the three required system generated columns
System i Navigator and Temporal

Table Definition... Establish System-period columns and declare the history table
System i Navigator and Temporal

Table Definition… history tables contain a reference to the system-period temporal table
Visual Explain... shows the UNION ALL implementation and Temporal query controls.
System i Navigator and Temporal

Users and applications are largely unaware that the history table exists
  – SQL Query Engine unions in rows as needed

Consider using Range Partitioning for the History Table
  – Organizing Historical rows by “Row End” is easy and has value
  – Value: Faster save times, partition avoidance, smart use of IN MEMORY and ON SSD

Performance
  – Create radix indexes over “Row Begin” and “Row End” columns

Native I/O
  – Native read works against either the temporal or history table
    o Historical queries are unique to SQL
  – Generated columns are safe to add
    o DB2 for i ensures the correct values are used
Temporal – Catalogs

- **QSYS2/SYSTABLES**
  Contains a column called TEMPORAL_TYPE.
  - ‘S’ the table is a system-period
  - ’H’ the table is a history table
  - ’N’ the table is neither temporal or history

- **QSYS2/SYSCOLUMNS**
  The HAS_DEFAULT column indicates the type of generated column

- **QSYS2/SYSPERIODS**
  Contains one row for each table with a system period and identifies temporal and versioning information

- **QSYS2/SYSHISTORYTABLES**
  Contains one row for each history table
Temporal – Save and restore

- The system-period temporal table and history table must be explicitly saved.

- When a system-period temporal table is restored without its corresponding history table, the restored table's versioning relationship remains defined but is not established.

  **Defined state will automatically change to versioned after both tables have been restored**

- When in a defined state, the only operations that are allowed are:
  - ALTER TABLE ADD VERSIONING
  - ALTER TABLE DROP VERSIONING
  - DROP TABLE
Temporal – Row and Column Access Control

• When Row or Column Access Control (RCAC) is activated for a system-period temporal table, a **default row permission is activated on the history table** when versioning is added
• The default row permission prevents any direct user access to the history table
• Time specification queries use the RCAC rule(s) of the temporal table
• If you need to permit direct access to the history table, deploy additional Row Permissions and/or Column Masks on the history table
Temporal – Performance, Storage and more

How do you assess the impact to storage? What about the performance?

1. Analyze the volume of UPDATEs and DELETEs
2. Consider whether you're going to use ON DELETE ADD EXTRA ROW
3. Consider whether you'll add extra columns for auditing
4. Understand the record length of the file
5. Determine how long historical rows need to remain online
6. Decide whether you'll partition the history table
7. Decide whether to use the media or memory preferences
8. Determine your indexing strategy
9. Review the data model to identify dimension tables that should also be made temporal (repeat steps 1-8 for those tables)
10. Reflect on your HA strategy
   PowerHA → Business as Usual
   Logical Replication → Talk to your HA provider

Or... leverage the DB2 for IBM i Lab Services team of experts by contacting Mike Cain at mcain@us.ibm.com
Temporal – Performance, Storage and more

CREATE SCHEMA DBESTUDY;

CREATE OR REPLACE TABLE DBESTUDY.HISTORY_DETAIL
(TABLE_SCHEMA VARCHAR(128),
 TABLE_NAME VARCHAR(128),
 POINT_IN_TIME TIMESTAMP,
 UPDATE_OPERATIONS BIGINT,
 DELETE_OPERATIONS BIGINT) ON REPLACE DELETE ROWS;

--
-- execute this insert once per day
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INSERT INTO DBESTUDY.HISTORY_DETAIL
SELECT 'TOYSTORE5', 'SALES', CURRENT TIMESTAMP,
 UPDATE_OPERATIONS, DELETE_OPERATIONS
FROM QSYS2.SYSTABLESTAT
WHERE TABLE_SCHEMA = 'TOYSTORE5' AND
 TABLE_NAME = 'SALES';
Finding the previous instance of a row

```sql
CREATE OR REPLACE VARIABLE WHAT_TIME_IS_IT
TIMESTAMP(12);

-- Extract the row birth time for the current row
-- and remove the timestamp uniqueness
SET WHAT_TIME_IS_IT =
(SELECT TIMESTAMP_FORMAT(VARCHAR(Row_birth),
 'YYYY-MM-DD HH24:MI:SS:FF12',6)
 FROM Employee
 WHERE EMPNO = '000010');

SELECT *
 FROM Employee FOR SYSTEM_TIME AS OF
 TEMPTST1.WHAT_TIME_IS_IT
 WHERE EMPNO = '000010';
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DETACH PARTITION – Dependent object rules

Dependent objects on the source table (OrdersTable)
- Views are rebuilt to use the remaining partitions
- DDS-created logical files that reference all partitions and
  Spanning SQL indexes are rebuilt to use the remaining partitions
- MQTs are retained, but need to be refreshed by the user

Usage details
- Cannot be a system-period temporal table
- Constraints are not added to the target table
- Privileges are not propagated to the target table
- When RCAC is active, a default row permission is activated on the target table
- An Identity column will not be an identity column in the target table
ATTACH PARTITION – Dependent object rules

Dependent objects on the source table (Archived_OrdersTable)
• Views and MQTs are discarded
• Partitioned indexes which correspond with partitioned indexes on the target are retained, as long as they have a matching logical page size
• Active RCAC must match on the source and target

Usage details
Dependent objects on the target table (OrdersTable)
• Views are rebuilt to include the new partition
• Spanning indexes are rebuilt
• MQTs are retained, but need to be refreshed
• Partitioned indexes, with no corresponding partitioned index on the source are modified to accommodate for the new partition