

Cross Platform Migration

Transportable Tablespaces to the Extreme













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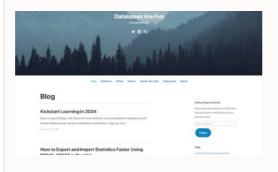


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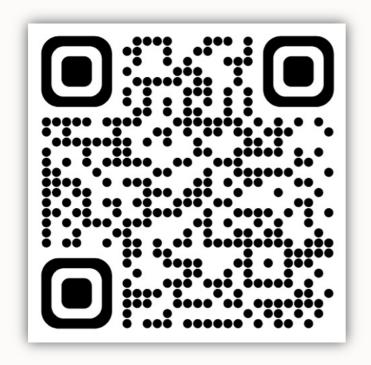
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105 minutes - Feb 4, 2021



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115 minutes - Feb 20, 2021

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120 minutes - Mar 4, 2021

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Introduction

Transportable Tablespaces



Abbreviation

XTTS

Cross-platform transportable tablespaces

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FTEX

Full Transportable Export/Import





Typically, you use XTTS for cross-endian migrations



Endianness | The Basics

Big-endian

increasing addresses \rightarrow							
	4A _h	6F _h	68 _h	6E _h			
	' J'	'0'	'h'	'n'			

Little-endian

increasing addresses \rightarrow							
	6E _h	68 _h	6F _h	4A _h			
	'n'	'h'	'0'	' J'	• • •		

Source: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Endianness







Big-endian



Little-endian

users01.dbf users02.dbf data01.dbf data02.dbf

• • •







users01.dbf users02.dbf data01.dbf data02.dbf

• • •





SuperCluster M8 systems run out of hardware maintenance in June 2024

 List of Oracle Supported Hardware with Last Ship Dates Announced (Doc ID 1450710.1)



SQL> select platform_name, endian_format from v\$transportable_platform;

```
AIX-Based Systems (64-bit)
                                      Big
Apple Mac OS
                                      Big
HP-UX (64-bit)
                                      Big
HP-UX IA (64-bit)
                                      Big
IBM Power Based Linux
                                      Big
IBM zSeries Based Linux
                                      Big
Linux OS (S64)
                                      Big
Solaris[tm] OE (32-bit)
                                      Big
Solaris[tm] OE (64-bit)
                                      Big
Apple Mac OS (x86-64)
                                      Little
HP IA Open VMS
                                      Little
                                      Little
HP Open VMS
                                      Little
HP Tru64 UNIX
Linux IA (32-bit)
                                      Little
                                      Little
Linux IA (64-bit)
Linux OS (AARCH64)
                                      Little
Linux x86 64-bit
                                      Little
                                      Little
Microsoft Windows IA (32-bit)
Microsoft Windows IA (64-bit)
                                      Little
Microsoft Windows x86 64-bit
                                      Little
                                     Little
Solaris Operating System (x86)
Solaris Operating System (x86-64)
                                      Little
```

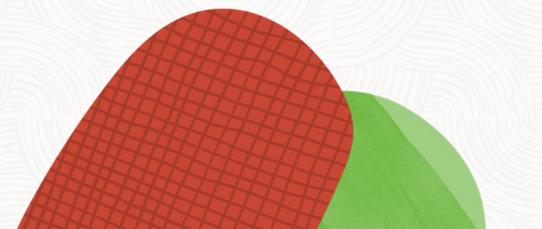
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AIX-Based Systems (64-bit)	Big	7
Apple Mac OS	Big	П
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HP-UX IA (64-bit)	Big	4
	Big	
		3
		N
Solaris[tm] OE (64-bit)	Big	Н
		1
		3
		3
		1
		1
Linux x86 64-bit	Little	



Concept

Transportable Tablespace





Rows

insert into ...
update ...
delete from ...

Your data





grant select on ...

Metadata create package ...

create view ...



Rows

Stored in a user tablespace



Copy the data files



Metadata

Stored in SYSTEM tablespace



Recreate using Data Pump



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All data files must be consistent when you copy them

• Tablespaces must be read only



Copy the data files



1 File system copy

2 Backup / restore / recover



2 Backup / restore / recover



XTTS v1Doc ID 1389592.1

XTTS v2Doc ID 1389592.1

XTTS v3

Doc ID 1389592.1

XTTS v4

Doc ID 2471245.1

M5

Doc ID 2999157.1

- No multisection backups
- No encrypted tablespaces
- Inefficient parallelism
- Incomplete multitenant support





Rows

Stored in a user tablespace



Copy the data files



Metadata
Stored in *SYSTEM* tablespace



Recreate using Data Pump





Recreate using Data Pump

- 1 Traditional transportable tablespace
 - Selected tablespaces
 - Manual metadata recreation
 - Complex and error-prone
 - Requires 10g (8i in some cases)

- 2 Full Transportable Export/Import (FTEX)
 - Entire database
 - Fully automated metadata recreation
 - Easy and standardized
 - Source must be 11.2.0.3 or higher
 - Target must be 12.1 or higher
 - Strongly recommended



Full Transportable Export/Import

Designed to move an entire database, including:

- Profiles
- Public database links and synonyms
- Directories
- Database triggers except those owned by SYS
- SQL Management Base
 - SQL plan baselines, plan directives, profiles, patches
- And <u>much more</u>





M5 is the next-generation cross-platform transportable tablespace procedure

- New RMAN functionality combined with Full Transportable Export/Import
- Doc ID <u>2999157.1</u>



Further Reading | XTTS v4

Blog posts

YouTube playlist

Webinars (video and slide deck)

- Migration Strategies Insights, Tips and Secrets
- Migrating Very Large Databases

Reference cases

- Top healthcare provider: <u>230 TB in less than 24 hours</u>
- Pushing the limits: <u>ExaCC migration using a ZDLRA</u>

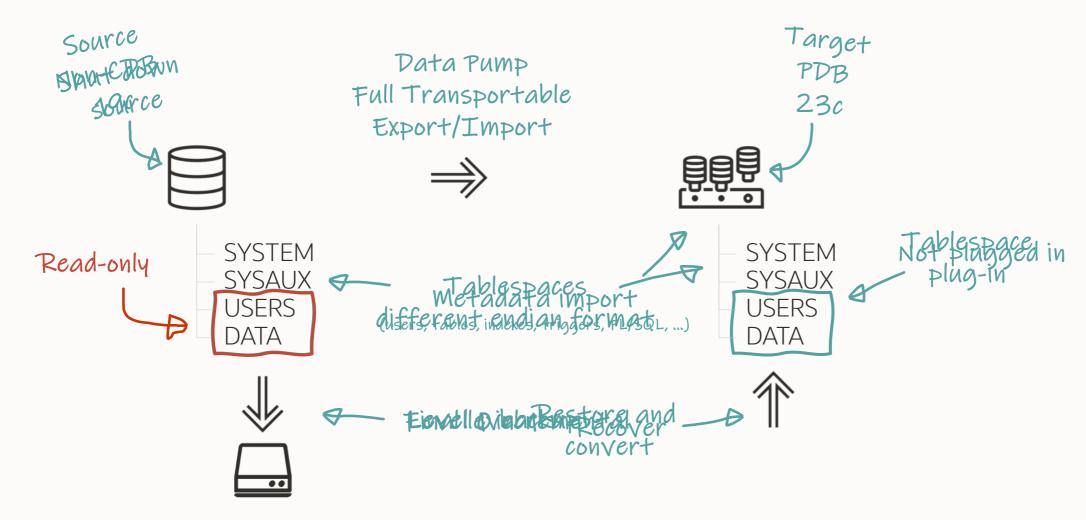


Further Reading | Transportable

- Master Note for Transportable Tablespaces (TTS) -- Common Questions and Issues (Doc ID 1166564.1)
- <u>Transportable Tablespace (TTS) Restrictions and Limitations: Details, Reference, and Version Where Applicable (Doc ID 1454872.1)</u>
- V4 PERL Scripts to reduce Transportable Tablespace Downtime using Cross Platform Incremental Backup (Doc ID 2471245.1)
- Known Issues for Cross Platform Transportable Tablespaces XTTS (Doc ID 2311677.1)
- Cross Platform Database Migration using ZDLRA (Doc ID 2460552.1)
- 11G Reduce Transportable Tablespace Downtime using Cross Platform Incremental Backup (Doc ID 1389592.1)
- <u>12C Reduce Transportable Tablespace Downtime using Cross Platform Incremental Backup (Doc ID 2005729.1)</u>
- Blog post: What Is a Self-contained Transportable Tablespace Set



Concept



Concept

Transportable Tablespaces enables

- Migration to a higher database release
- Migration between non-CDB and PDB
- Cross-endian and same-endian migration
- Cross-platform and same-platform migration





Requirements

Transportable Tablespace





The target database must have the same or higher **COMPATIBLE** setting



Target database must use the same character set

- A few <u>exceptions</u> exist
- Applies to national character set as well

- -- To check database character set.
- --Optionally, convert source database to Unicode
- --using Oracle Database Migration Assistant for Unicode (DMU)

select * from nls_database_parameters;



Character Set

PDBs may use a different character set than the CDB, if the CDB character set is AL32UTF8.

- 1. Keep *production* CDB on AL32UTF8
- 2. Provision temporary CDB with the desired character set
- 3. Create a new empty PDB in the temporary CDB
- 4. Clone custom PDB to production CDB





We recommend using the same time zone file version in the target database



-- To determine the active time zone file version

select * from v\$timezone_file;



Target time zone file version must be equal to or higher than source



Timestamp with Time Zone

If you have TIMESTAMP WITH TIME ZONE (TSTZ) and time zone file version does not match:

- Full transportable export/import
 - Data Pump updates TSTZ columns during the import
 - Time-consuming
- Traditional transportable jobs:
 - Data Pump <u>skips the entire table</u> on import
 - Perform regular import after migration



- -- By default, DBCA picks the newest available time zone file
- -- To choose any time zone file during database creation
- -- https://mikedietrichde.com/2016/12/08/create-a-database-with-non-default-time-zone/

export ORA_TZFILE=\$ORACLE_HOME/oracore/zoneinfo/timezlrg_40.dat

./dbca





If you have TIMESTAMP WITH LOCAL TIME ZONE, you must use the same DBTIMEZONE

-- To determine the database time zone

select dbtimezone from v\$instance;

Timestamp with Local Time Zone

The database time zone (DBTIMEZONE) affects only:

- TIMESTAMP WITH LOCAL TIME ZONE (TSLTZ)
- CURRENT_DATE
- CURRENT_TIMESTAMP
- LOCALTIMESTAMP





SYSDATE and **SYSTIMESTAMP** do **not** rely on database time zone (**DBTIMEZONE**)

• Determined by operating system time zone and clock



- --You can change the database time zone.
- -- A PDB can have a different time zone.
- --You can only change the database time zone if you have no TSLTZ columns.

```
alter database cdb1 set time_zone = '+02:00';
```

alter pluggable database pdb1 set time_zone = '+04:00';

Timestamp with Local Time Zone

If you have TIMESTAMP WITH LOCAL TIME ZONE (TSLTZ) and DBTIMEZONE does not match:

- Data Pump <u>skips the entire table</u> on import
- Perform regular import after migration

M5 Migration Script





Interview



Watch on <u>YouTube</u>

```
RUN
ALLOCATE CHANNEL d1 DEVICE TYPE DISK FORMAT '...';
ALLOCATE CHANNEL d2 DEVICE TYPE DISK FORMAT '...';
BACKUP
       FILESPERSET 1
       SECTION SIZE 64G
       TAG UP19_L0_240206101548
       TABLESPACE <list-of-tablespace>;
```

source database

```
# source database

RUN
{
ALLOCATE CHANNEL d1 DEVICE TYPE DISK FORMAT '...';
ALLOCATE CHANNEL d2 DEVICE TYPE DISK FORMAT '...';
BACKUP

    FILESPERSET 1
    SECTION SIZE 64G
    TAG UP19_L0_240206101548
    TABLESPACE <list-of-tablespace>;
}
```

```
# target database
```

```
RUN
ALLOCATE CHANNEL DISK1 DEVICE TYPE DISK FORMAT '...';
ALLOCATE CHANNEL DISK2 DEVICE TYPE DISK FORMAT '...';
RESTORE ALL FOREIGN DATAFILES TO NEW FROM BACKUPSET
'<backup-set-1>',
'<backup-set-2>',
. . .
'<backup-set-n>'
};
```

Benefits

M5 procedure supports:

- Encrypted tablespaces
- Multisection backups
- Migrating multiple databases into the same CDB simultaneously
- Compressed backup sets
- Better parallelism



Requirements

- Source and target database must
 - be 19.18.0 or higher
 - use Data Pump Bundle Patch

- Target must use Oracle Managed Files (OMF)
 - Parameter DB_CREATE_FILE_DEST PARAMETER



Demo





Source

- Oracle Database 19c
- Non-CDB, called *UP19*

• M5 script on shared NFS mount point





Target

- Oracle Database 19c
- CDB, called CDB2
- PDB, called PDB1

Watch on YouTube



Configure Level 0 Level 1 Outage Final Final Import

- Download M5 script from Doc ID <u>2999157.1</u>
- Configure shared NFS
- Edit dbmig_ts_list.txt
- Edit dbmig_driver.properties
- Create new, empty target database



Configure Level 0 Level 1 Outage Final Final Import

- Start initial level 0 backup
- Use driver script dbmig_driver_m5.sh L0
- Driver script creates a restore script
- Restore using restore_L0_<source_sid>_<timestamp>.cmd
- Check logs



Configure Level 0 Level 1 Outage Final Final Import

- Start level 1 incremental backup
- Use driver script dbmig_driver_m5.sh L1
- Driver script creates a restore script
- Restore using restore_L1_<source_sid>_<timestamp>.cmd
- Check logs
- Repeat as often as desired





Configure Level 0 Level 1 Outage Final Final Backup restore Import

- Maintenance window begins
- Read-only sessions can still use the database



Configure Level 0 Level 1 Outage Final Final Final Import

- Start final level 1 incremental backup
- Use driver script dbmig_driver_m5.sh L1F
- Sets tablespaces read-only
- Performs level 1 incremental backup
- Start Data Pump full transportable export
- Optionally, shut down source database



Configure Level 0 Level 1 Outage Final Backup Final Import

- Driver script created a restore script
- Restore using restore_L1F_<source_sid>_<timestamp>.cmd
- Check logs



Configure Level 0 Level 1 Outage Final Final Backup restore Import

- Copy Data Pump dump file to DATA_PUMP_DIR
- Use import driver script in test mode
- Start impdp.sh <dump_file> <restore_log> test
- Check generated parameter file
- Use impdp.sh <dump_file> <restore_log> run
- Check Data Pump log file



Recommendations

- Use a shared NFS mount point
 - Attach to source and target
 - Use for script, backups, logs, etc.

- If NFS is not possible
 - Manually copy files from source to target after each run
 - M5 can copy scripts using DEST_SERVER (for ZDLRA only)





Manually remove restore point in target database after migration





You must manually add new tablespaces to dbmig_ts_list.txt

• Failure to do so results in errors during Data Pump import





Keep backups on the source database. RMAN might need them for recovery

• Remove the backups using proper RMAN commands





Always use the latest version of M5 script

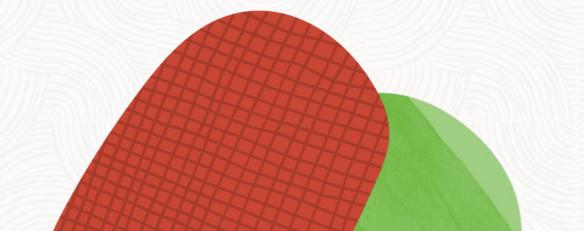
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Best Practices

Before Migration





We strongly recommend using a recent Release Update

- Never migrate without the Data Pump Bundle Patch
- Applies to source and target database

Stay Current

1. Get the latest Release Update

 Assistant: Download Reference for Oracle Database/GI Update, Revision, PSU, SPU(CPU), Bundle Patches, Patchsets and Base Releases (Doc ID <u>2118136.2</u>)

2. Get important one-off patches

- Oracle Database 19c Important Recommended One-off Patches (Doc ID <u>555.1</u>)
- Oracle Database Patches to Consider for 19c (Doc ID <u>2781612.2</u>)

3. Get the Data Pump Bundle Patch

Data Pump Recommended Proactive Patches For 19.10 and Above (Doc ID <u>2819284.1</u>)



Importing a complete application with data drops from almost 2.5 hours to 48 minutes – by just applying the Data Pump bundle patch

A global provider of financial services



Accurate dictionary and fixed objects stats are vital for Data Pump performance



Statistics | When to Gather

Gather dictionary statistics:

- Reasonable time before export
- Before import
- Immediately after import

Gather fixed objects statistics:

- Reasonable time before export
- After import when the system is warmed up
 - The database must be in *production* state



```
begin
   --dbms_stats.gather_dictionary_stats;
   dbms_stats.gather_schema_stats('SYS');
   dbms_stats.gather_schema_stats('SYSTEM');
end;
```

```
begin
    --dbms_stats.gather_dictionary_stats;
    dbms_stats.gather_schema_stats('SYS');
    dbms_stats.gather_schema_stats('SYSTEM');
end;
/
```

"After gathering dictionary stats, our Data Pump export went from 46 to 8 minutes"



Clean up your database

• Less data, faster migration

Clean Up

Remove unneeded data and metadata

Everything matters - but metadata matters most

- Metadata affects Data Pump
- Data affects the level 0 backup

Our experience shows there is always data and metadata to remove





Execute a dictionary check

- Use <u>DBMS_DICTIONARY_CHECK</u>
- Formerly known as health check

SQL> set serveroutput on size unlimited SQL> execute dbms_dictionary_check.full

Trace File: /oracle/log/diag/rdbms/orcl/orcl/trace/orcl_ora_2574906_DICTCHECK.trc



Dictionary Check

Dictionary check produces a report:

- Review findings
- Optionally, use the repair option

Also available through:

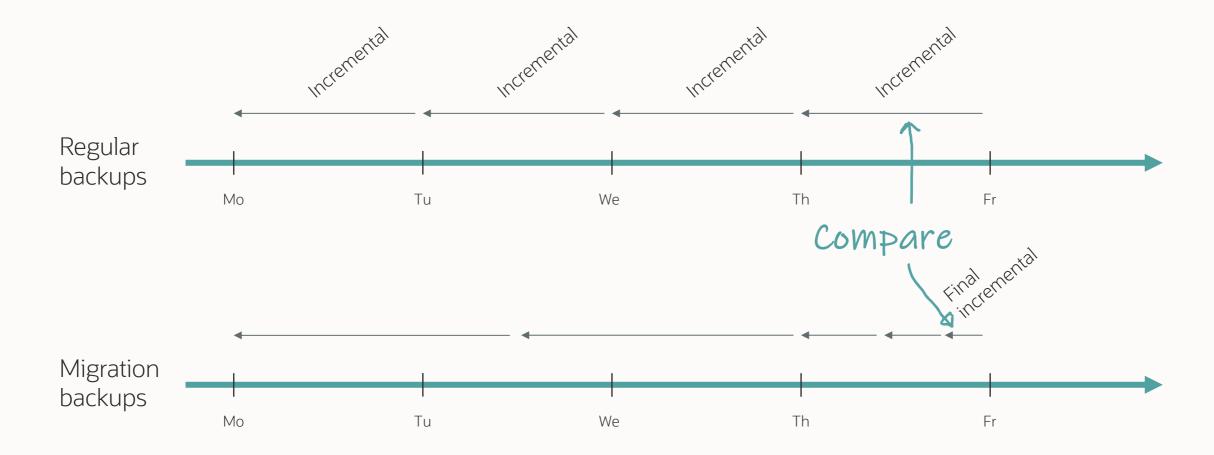
- Autonomous Health Framework
- EXAchk
- ORAchk
- MOS Doc ID <u>136697.1</u> (older releases only)





How long will the final level 1 incremental backup take?

Estimate Final Incremental



Estimate Final Incremental

Compare V\$RMAN_BACKUP_SUBJOB_DETAILS

- On the final day, you run several incrementals
- Final incremental may use more channels

Real-life example:

- Daily incremental 2 TB
- Final incremental 951 GB



Estimate Final Incremental

Don't use redo generation to estimate final level 1 backup

Real-life example:

- Redo per day
 15 TB
- Daily incremental 2 TB
- Final incremental 951 GB





Best Practices

During Migration





Use Block Change Tracking for faster incremental backups

• Check the License Guide for details



```
[oracle@hol m5]$ ./dbmig_driver_m5.sh L1

Properties file found, sourcing.
LOG and CMD directories found
2024-02-20 06:59:56 - 1708408796651: Requested L1 backup for pid 21485. Using DISK destination,
4 channels and 64G section size.
2024-02-20 06:59:56 - 1708408796659: Performing L1 backup for pid 21485

RMAN> 2> 3> 4> RMAN> RMAN> 2> 3> 4> 5> 6> 7> 8> 9> 10> 11> 12> RMAN>
2024-02-20 07:00:55 - 1708408855044: No errors or warnings found in backup log file for ...
2024-02-20 07:00:55 - 1708408855059: Manually copy restore script to destination
2024-02-20 07:00:55 - 1708408855062: => /u01/app/oracle/m5/cmd/restore_L1_UP19_240220065956.cmd
2024-02-20 07:00:55 - 1708408855076: Saving SCN for next backup for pid 21485
```

STATUS

COMPLETED

OUTPUT BYTES(MB)

1.32

7

BACKUP TYPE

DATAFILE FULL

INPUT BYTES(MB)

4458

If BCT is in use, this number decreases

Block Change Tracking

If INPUT_BYTES matches database size:

Option 1: Increase BCT bitmap size

Increase parameter _bct_bitmaps_per_file (Doc ID 452455.1)

Option 2: Prevent standby database from updating primary bitmap

- Prevent with parameter <u>_disable_primary_bitmap_switch</u> (Doc ID <u>2144267.1</u>)
- If changed, after switchover first incremental needs to fully scan





Converting to snapshot standby resets the change tracking bitmap

• The next incremental must fully scan the database



Block Change Tracking on standby database requires Active Data Guard



Further Reading

Block Change Tracking Inside Out (Doc ID 1528510.1)





Exclude statistics from Data Pump metadata export

- Use exclude=statistics
- Excluded by default in M5 script

1 Table statistics

2 Index statistics

Statistics preferences

4 Column usage information



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1 Regather

Gather on database or schema using **DBMS_STATS**

Time-consuming

Resource-intensive

Go warp speed with **CONCURRENT** and **AUTO_DEGREE**

Mostly suitable when migrating from older release

2 Transfer from source



1 Regather

2 Transfer from source

Export and import using **DBMS_STATS**

Fast

Not resource-intensive

Run <u>multiple imports simultaneously</u>

Check YouTube playlist and blog post

Our preferred option

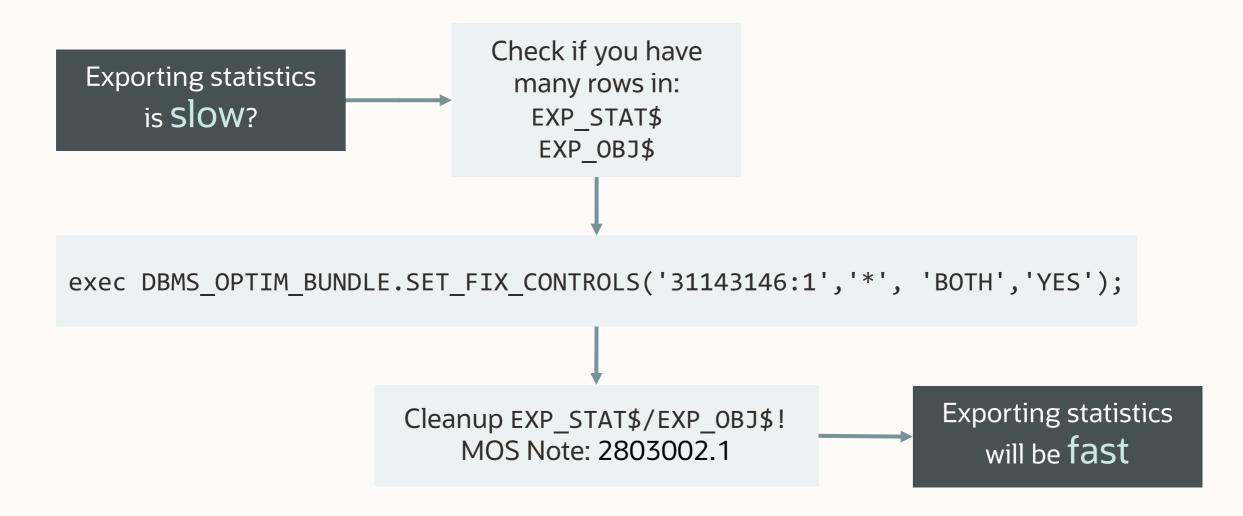




Save downtime by exporting stats before the maintenance window

- Reduce tasks in the maintenance window
- Store stats staging table in a tablespace that you transport

Caution: Expression Statistics



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Statistics Preferences

```
BEGIN

DBMS_STATS.SET_TABLE_PREFS (
    OWNNAME => '...',
    TABNAME => '...',
    PNAME => 'TABLE_CACHED_BLOCKS',
    PVALUE => '42'
);
END;
```



Statistics Preferences

Table 171-131 SET_TABLE_PREFS Procedure Parameters

Parameter	Description
ownname	Owner name
tabname	Table name
pname	Preference name. You can set the default value for following preferences: • APPROXIMATE_NDV_ALGORITHM • AUTO_STAT_EXTENSIONS • CASCADE • DEGREE • ESTIMATE_PERCENT • GRANULARITY • INCREMENTAL • INCREMENTAL_LEVEL • INCREMENTAL_LEVEL • INCREMENTAL_STALENESS • METHOD_OPT • NO_INVALIDATE • OPTIONS • PREFERENCE_OVERRIDES_PARAMETER • PUBLISH • STALE_PERCENT • TABLE_CACHED_BLOCKS
pvalue	Preference value. If NULL is specified, it will set the Oracle default value.



Statistics Preferences

- If you use global statistics preferences, you must redefine those in the target database
 - Use <u>DBMS_STATS.SET_GLOBAL_PREFS</u>

- If you use table-level statistics preferences, you can transport those from source database
 - Use <u>DBMS_STATS.EXPORT_TABLE_PREFS</u>



You often use statistics preferences to solve a particular problem

• Evaluate whether that problem exists in the target environment



Table statistics

2 Index statistics

Statistics preferences

4 Column usage information



Column Usage Information

- Information on how you join tables
- Used during statistics gathering to determine when to create histograms
 METHOD_OPT => ... SIZE AUTO
- When missing, statistics gathering creates no or few histograms
- Stored internally in SYS.COL_USAGE\$





Take care when you gather statistics without column usage information

Relevant only for workload that depends on histograms









EXCLUDE

EXCLUDE=STATISTICS

COL_USAGE\$ empty

REGATHER

First time only

METHOD_OPT =>
SIZE SKEWONLY

GO LIVE

Database updates column usage information

REGATHER

Use default

METHOD_OPT => SIZE AUTO



If you include statistics Data Pump includes everything, except global stats preferences

• Not recommended: include=statistics





Always add Data Pump diagnostic information to the log file

• M5 script adds LOGTIME=ALL and METRICS=YES



Use Data Pump parallel metadata export and import

• Available in Oracle Database 21c

- -- Any transportable jobs can now run in parallel
- -- Parallel unload/load of metadata provide a significant performance boost

```
expdp ... full=y transportable=always parallel=16
```

expdp ... tablespace=<list> parallel=16

impdp ... parallel=16



Parallel Transportable

Parallel degree in export and import is completely independent

Source

Oracle Database 19c

expdp ... parallel=1

Target

Oracle Database 23c

impdp ... parallel=32



Parallel Transportable | Benchmark

Oracle E-Business Suite database 600.000+ objects

Export parallel 1

Import parallel 1

Total

2h 2m

6h 44m

8h 46m

Export parallel 16

Import parallel 16

Total

1h 8m

1h 23m

2h 31m



Parallel Transportable | Architecture

Parallel export:

- Each worker processes an object path serially
- Parallel happens by multiple workers working on multiple object paths

Parallel import:

- One worker plugs in tablespaces
- Control process orders the object paths
- All workers work on one object path in parallel
- Parallel happens by all workers working on the same object path
- One worker completes the import





Ensure adequate streams_pool_size during Data Pump export and import

- Avoid waits caused by SGA resize operations
- 512M should be sufficient



Disable the resource manager during the migration

alter system set resource_manager_plan='';





Disable all maintenance windows in the maintenance window group

• Disabling the group is **not** sufficient



```
-- Find all the maintenance windows and disable them individually.
--Your database might have different windows enabled, so select from the database.
--You can also select from dba_scheduler_wingroup_members.
select window name from dba autotask window clients;
exec dbms_scheduler.disable(name
                                    => 'SYS.MONDAY WINDOW');
exec dbms scheduler.disable(name
                                    => 'SYS.TUESDAY WINDOW');
. . .
exec dbms_scheduler.disable(name
                                    => 'SYS.SUNDAY_WINDOW');
```



Do not use **SYS AS SYSDBA** for your Data Pump jobs

Use **SYSTEM**

Check DATAPUMP_EXP_FULL_DATABASE / DATAPUMP_IMP_FULL_DATABASE



Credentials

The control table goes into the default tablespace of the user running the Data Pump job

Expect the control table to grow to several GB. At one customer it was 4 GB in size.

For import, create a dedicated user and set the default tablespace to one that you can scratch after the migration. This ensures you don't use unnecessary space in SYSTEM tablespace.





You can restart Data Pump transportable jobs

• Available in Oracle Database 21c



Best Practices

Practice, practice, practice

- Start on a small database
- Prove it works on a production-size database

To ensure consistency and avoid human error

- Automate
- Save all logs and output
- Data Pump, RMAN

Clean-up procedure

- In case of failure and rollback
- To repeat tests





Best Practices

After Migration





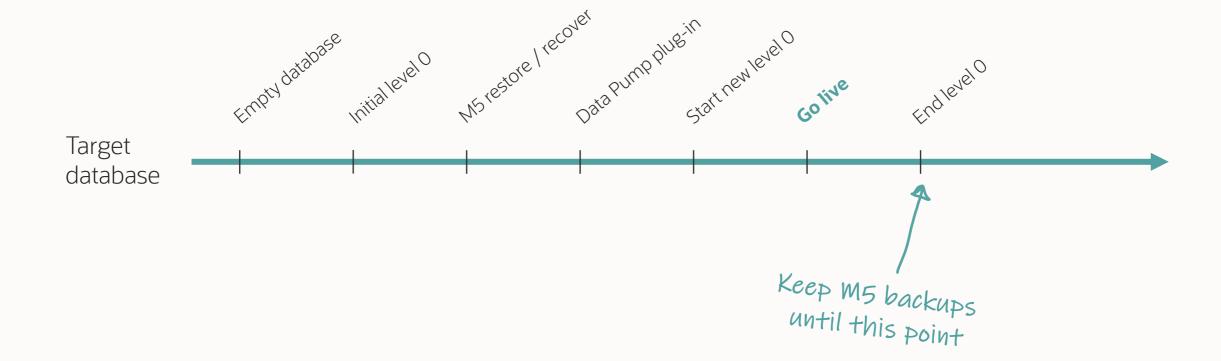
Be sure to shut down the source database





Keep backups on the target database until a new level 0 backup completes

Target Backup



Target Backup

To remove M5 backups from target database use RMAN:

- DELETE
- CHANGE ... UNCATALOG



Advanced Scenarios





Using ZDLRA as a staging platform

• Instead of local storage or NFS



Use the latest libra.so

- On source, target and ZDLRA
- Doc ID 2219812.1





Consider to stall migration backups to prevent them from being virtualized

• Doc ID <u>2999157.1</u>, appendix 4





ZDLRA throttles the number of channels based on appliance size

- Even if you specify more channels, ZDLRA might use fewer channels
- Normally, 64 channels



ZDLRA | Additional Information

Known issue: VPC user password may not contain dollar-sign (\$)

Workaround: use a secure external password store

XTTS v4 note for ZDLRA: Cross Platform Database Migration using ZDLRA (Doc ID <u>2460552.1</u>)

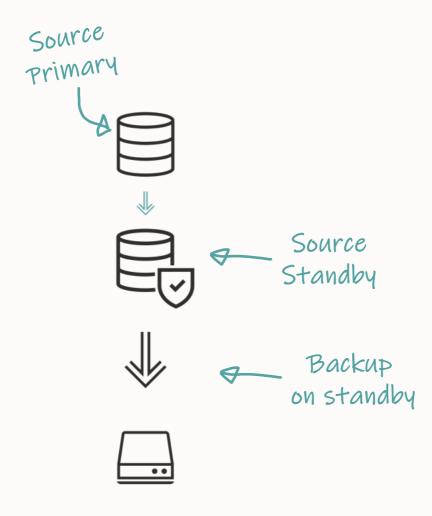




Taking backups on standby database

Offload primary database

Backup on Standby





Backup on Standby

Backup for test

- Start M5 driver script on standby host
- Connect to standby database
- Set BKP_FROM_STDBY=1 in M5 properties file

Backup for migration

- For level 0 (L0) and level 1 (L1):
 - Start M5 driver script on standby host
 - Connect to standby database
- For final level 1 (L1F):
 - Start M5 driver script on primary host
 - Connect to primary database



Backup from Standby

Effect of setting BKP_FROM_STDBY=1 in M5 properties file

Affects only final level 1 (L1F):

- Convert to snapshot standby
- Snapshot standby resets BCT bitmap requiring final incremental to fully scan the database
- Recommended for testing only



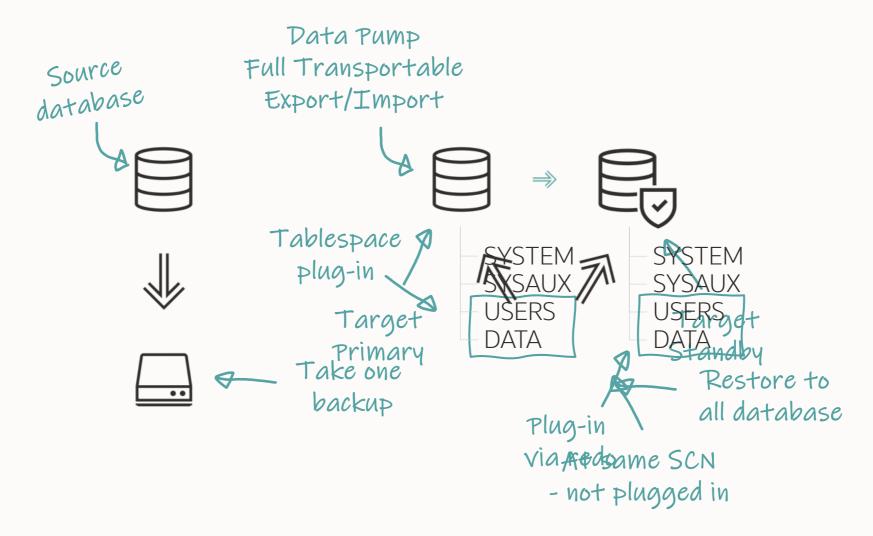


Build target standby database as part of the migration

• Protect the target database immediately

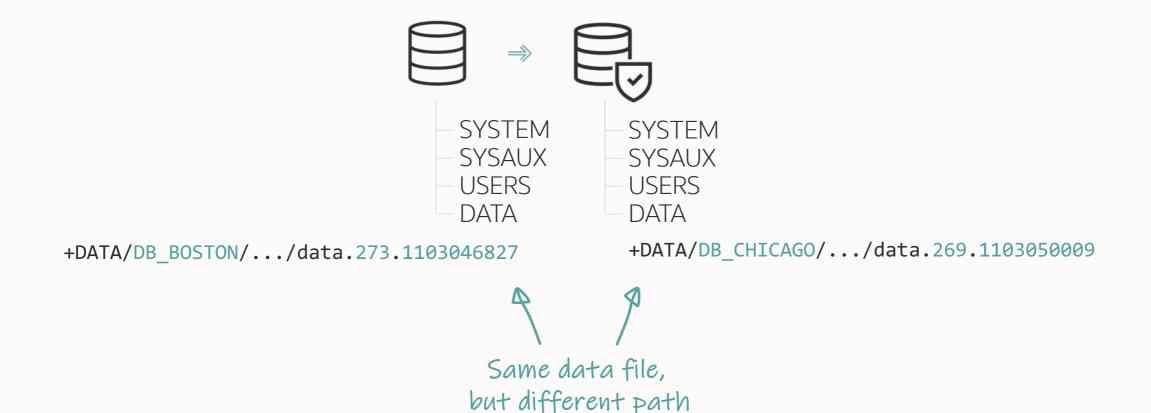


Target Standby Database



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Target Standby Database





Tablespace plug-in propagates to standby database via redo

• Expects data files with identical path / name on standby

Target Standby Database

Redo contains data file path from primary, but it's different on standby

1 Use ASM aliases

2 Rename standby data files after plug-in failure





Using Advanced Queueing

- AQ creates some queue structures on demand only
- Blog post

Advanced Queueing

Queue table Source database <queue table name> • AQ\$ <queue table name> E AQ\$_<queue_table_name>_I AQ\$ <queue table name> T AQ\$ <queue table name> F AQ\$_<queue_table_name>_C AQ\$ <queue table name> D AQ\$_<queue_table_name>_G AQ\$ <queue table name> H AQ\$ <queue table name> L AQ\$ <queue table name> P AQ\$ <queue table name> S Queue AQ\$_<queue_table_name>_V infrastructure

Target database

```
<queue_table_name>
AQ$_<queue_table_name>_E
AQ$_<queue_table_name>_I
AQ$_<queue_table_name>_T
AQ$_<queue_table_name>_F
```



Take into account in comparing source and target database object count

 Understanding How Advanced Queueing (AQ) Objects Are Exported And Imported. (Doc ID <u>2291530.1</u>)



Data Pump does not start queues

- Manually start queues after migration
- Use DBMS_AQADM.START_QUEUE



Further Reading

Understanding How Advanced Queueing (AQ) Objects Are Exported And Imported. (Doc ID <u>2291530.1</u>)

What Objects Are Created When Creating a Queue Table? (Doc ID 224027.1)

<u>Things to Consider When Importing Advanced Queues using Oracle Data Pump</u>





Data Pump moves audit policies and records

- During Full Transportable Export/Import
- Traditional and unified auditing



Archive audit records in advance using DBMS_AUDIT_MGMT

• Optionally, <u>export audit records</u> to target database





Configure a separate audit tablespace in target database

- Migrate audit records directly into dedicated tablespace
- Don't use SYSAUX for audit records

Audit Trail

Target database already has auditing infrastructure

- Schema, table, potentially also dedicated tablespace
- Not possible to move audit tablespace via transportable tablespace

Data Pump always unloads the audit records into the dump file

If you have a huge audit trail, empty it! Or ...

- You get a huge dump file
- You extend the maintenance window





Data Pump does not move AWR data

AWR

Consider whether it makes sense to move AWR data

- New and more powerful hardware
- New platform and architecture
- Potentially also newer version and into multitenant

To export AWR data

- How to Export and Import the AWR Repository From One Database to Another (Doc ID 785730.1)
- Do it outside of the maintenance window





But we are on Windows

Windows



M5 script is written for Bash shell

- Use Windows Terminal
- Or another Bash shell for Windows





Run commands manually

- Data Pump
- RMAN

BACKUP TABLESPACE RESTORE ALL FOREIGN DATAFILES



In the unlikely event of ...

Rollback and fallback options

Rollback and Fallback

- To roll back (before go-live):
 Source environment is preserved
- To fall back (after go-live):
 Reverse process back to source
- If you also migrated to a PDB:
 Reverse process back to source
- If you also upgraded:
 Data Pump and GoldenGate



Edge Cases





Using binary XML

-- Create a new table using XMLTYPE CREATE TABLE CARS (CARDATA XMLTYPE);

--XMLTYPE columns consists of two columns

SELECT COLUMN_NAME, DATA_TYPE, HIDDEN_COLUMN, VIRTUAL_COLUMN FROM USER_TAB_COLS;

NO

HIDDEN_COLUMN COLUMN_NAME DATA_TYPE VIRTUAL_COLUMN

CARDATA XMLTYPE NO YES 🛪

SYS_NC00002\$ BLOB YES

is a virtual column

```
--Detecting Binary XML in your Oracle Database
select *
from dba_xml_tab_cols
where storage_type= 'BINARY'
    and owner != 'SYS';
```

INSERT INTO CARS ...

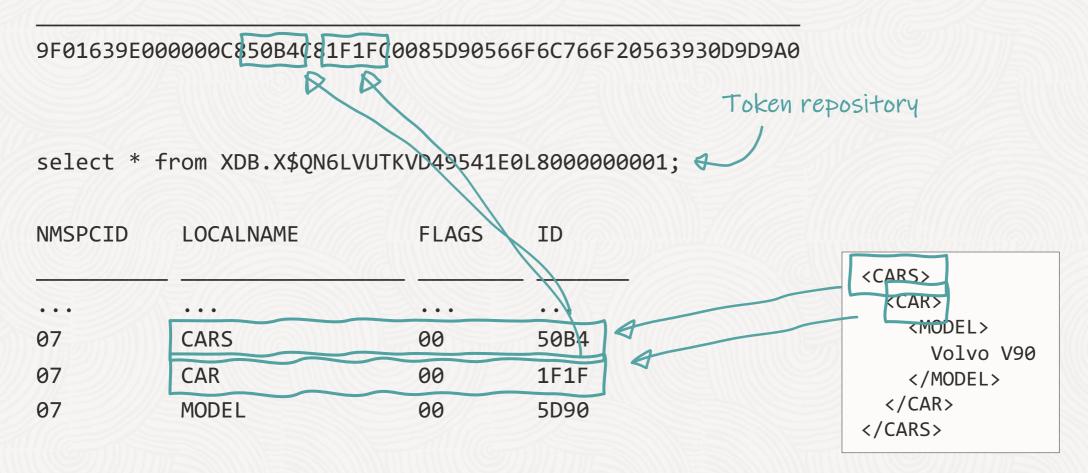
Compress and encode XML to binary format

- 1. Generate tokens from namespace and tags
- 2. Insert into central token table
- 3. Insert encoded XML into CARS

```
INSERT INTO CARS VALUES('<CARS><CAR><MODEL>Volvo V90</MODEL></CAR></CARS>');
SELECT CARDATA, SYS_NC00002$ FROM CARS;
                     CARDATA
                                                                            SYS_NC00002$
<CARS>
                             9F01639E000000C850B4C81F1FC0085D90566F6C766F20563930D9D9A0
  <CAR>
    <MODEL>Volvo V90</MODEL>
  </CAR>
</CARS>
```



SYS_NC00002\$



- The table contains the encoded binary XML
- The dictionary contains the token repository
- Both are required to read and understand the data





Data Pump moves tokens during Full Transportable Export/Import



- --If a token is already in use in the target database
- --Data Pump skips the table to avoid data corruption

impdp ... transport_datafiles=<list-of-files>

ORA-39945: Token conflicting with existing tokens

Possible solutions

- 1 Conventional Data Pump export
 - When Data Pump inserts the binary XML, the target database generates a new token

- 2 Prune the target database tokens
 - Re-use all source database tokens in the target database
 - Works on brand new, empty target databases only
 - Be aware of bug 34425044
 - Strongly recommended patching the source and target database using the latest available Release Update and Data Pump Bundle Patch
 - How to Migrate Large Amount of Binary XML Data between Databases (Doc ID 2309649.1)



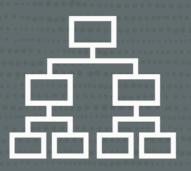
Binary XML uses tokens to compress/encode XML Data. The token ids and their value (Tag name) are stored in a central token table. During TTS import of data the tokens need to be reused, that means tokens on the exporting side and importing side cannot conflict with each other. In case of a conflict not XL data can be imported and an error message is raised during TTS import.

The Export and Import utilities can be used to move Binary XML storage data between environments. This option works well on smaller datasets, however, since it involves several internal insert commands, it will be very resource intensive on larger data migrations. For customers with a limited timescale planned migration window, this is not a feasible option.

How to move XMLType tables/columns with Binary XML Storage between schemas/databases (Doc ID 1405457.1)



```
How to find XML token table:
select TOKSUF from xdb.xdb$ttset;
Add as suffix:
--Tags
select * from XDB.X$QN<toksuf>;
--Namespaces
select * from XDB.X$NM<toksuf>;
Staging tables during FTEX:
xdb.xdb$tsetmap
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Using evolved types in table definitions

```
-- Create a new type. The type is now version 1
--Use the type in a table
CREATE TYPE CAR_INFO_TYPE IS OBJECT (model VARCHAR2(40));
                                                          The type is now evolving
CREATE TABLE CARS (id number, car info car info type);
INSERT INTO CARS VALUES (1, car info type('Volvo V90'));
-- Make a change to the type. The type is now version 2
ALTER TYPE CAR INFO TYPE ADD ATTRIBUTE horsepower NUMBER CASCADE NOT INCLUDING TABLE DATA;
INSERT INTO CARS VALUES (2, car_info_type('BMW 530i', 250));
                                                              Existing data is not updated
-- Make another change to the type. The type is now version 3
ALTER TYPE CAR INFO TYPE ADD ATTRIBUTE color VARCHAR2(20) CASCADE NOT INCLUDING TABLE DATA;
INSERT INTO CARS VALUES (3, car info type('Hyundai Sonata', 160, 'Black'));
```



Evolved Types

SELECT * FROM CARS



CARS		
1	car_info_type v1: Volvo V90	
2	car_info_type v2: BMW 530i, 250	
3	car_info_type v3: Hyundai Sonata, 160, Black	



DICTIONARY			
car_info_type v1	model		
car_info_type v2	model, horsepower		
car_info_type v3	model, horsepower, color		





Data Pump recreates types during Full Transportable Export/Import



Evolved Types

- To avoid data corruption,
 Data Pump must recreate the <u>exact</u> same type evolution in target database
- Due to implementation restrictions,
 it is not always possible to recreate the exact same type evolution
- In such situations, to avoid corruption,
 Data Pump reports ORA-39218 or ORA-39216 on import



```
-- Identifying tables with evolved types
     -- These tables potentially pose a problem during transportable import
     select owner, table_name, column_name, data_type_owner, data_type
     from dba tab cols
     where (data_type_owner, data_type) IN (
                select distinct u.username, o.name
Find tables
using these types
where o.owner# = u.user_id
and oracle_maintaine
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                        and oracle maintained='N'
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                        and o.oid$ = t.toid
                        and t.version# > 1 ←
                group by u.username, o.name);
```

Evolved Types | Possible Solutions

- 1 Conventional Data Pump export
- 2 Manually recreate type in target database with matching evolution
- 3 Recreate type without evolution before export

Blog post with details





Migrating databases with Oracle E-Business Suite





M5 script has not yet been certified by E-Business Suite

• XTTS v4 remains the certified approach





Customer Project Result Learnings

- Advania Icelandic tech company
- Operating across Sweden, Norway, UK, Iceland, Finland and Denmark.
- Offering Managed services, Hardware and Software, and Professional Services to clients in both private and public sectors



Customer Case

Customer

Project

Result

Learnings



Oracle SPARC SuperCluster M7

Oracle E-Business Suite 12.2.11

Database size: 13 TB

19.18.0 + Data Pump Bundle Patch



Oracle Exadata Cloud@Customer

19.20.0 + Data Pump Bundle Patch





Customer Project Result Learnings

- Planned 48-hours maintenance window
 - Includes encryption of tablespaces
- Database migration ~16 hours
 - Export: 4h 35m
 - Import: 11h 19m





Customer Project Result Learnings

- Test, test, and test
- 2 Create your own runbook
- 3 Use AWR to identify bottlenecks
- 4 Clone target database before import for easy testing and re-runs



Further Reading | E-Business Suite

MOS notes:

- Using Transportable Tablespaces to Migrate Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2 Using Oracle Database 19c Enterprise Edition On a Multitenant Environment (Doc ID <u>2674405.1</u>)
- Oracle E-Business Suite 12.2 Platform Migration from On-Premises to Oracle Cloud Using Transportable Tablespaces with Oracle Database 19c (Doc ID <u>2725558.1</u>)

Blog posts:

Collection of EBS upgrade information for Oracle Database 19c



Testing the Migration



FTEX Testing Options

Test the transportable export

- How long will the export take?
- expdp parameter TTS_CLOSURE_CHECK=TEST_MODE

Repeat your tests without the need to restore again

- Tablespaces will be taken online by default since Oracle 12c
- impdp parameter option TRANSPORTABLE=KEEP READ ONLY prevents this





You can test the Data Pump export without setting tablespaces in read-only mode

- --Performs a metadata export for a full transportable export/import
- -- Dump file is unusable for import.
- --Parameter is available since Oracle Database 19c
- --Logfile says: Dump file set is unusable. TEST_MODE requested.

expdp ... full=y transportable=always tts_closure_check=test_mode

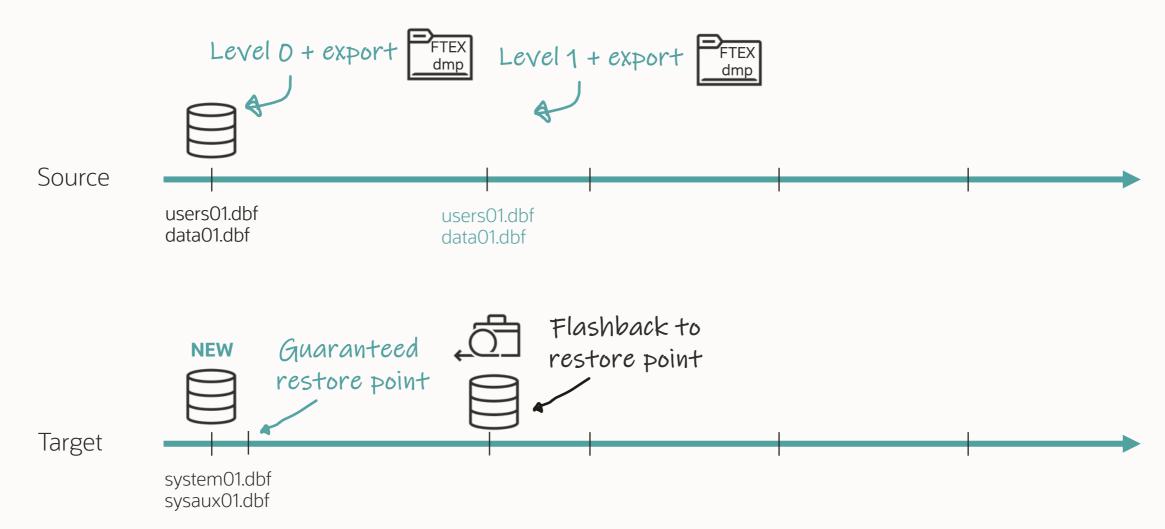


Repeat import tests by keeping tablespaces in read-only mode

- --Performs a real FTEX but keeps the tablespace read-write
- -- This ensures the data files may be re-used for a different import
- -- Parameter is available since Oracle Database 19c

impdp ... transportable=keep_read_only

impdp ... transportable=keep_read_only



Using a Snapshot Standby

For FTEX, tablespaces must be switched to read-only

This isn't usually an option on PROD

Use a physical standby database for FTEX testing

- Take L0 backup from the standby
- Take L1 backup from the standby
- Convert it into a snapshot standby
- Switch tablespaces read-only
- Run the Full Transportable Export
- Take the "final" L1 backup
- Convert it back to a physical standby

Repeat!



Testing Without Data

1. Perform a regular Data Pump metadata export

Use content=metadata_only

2. Import into a test database

All metadata is there, but no data

3. Test M5 migration procedure

- Learn and test the procedure
- Easier due to very small database



Migrating the Beast

Customer Case





Challenges and Constraints

What is special, what makes it so complex?











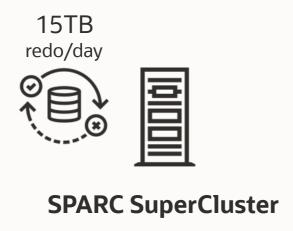


180TB
size
SPARC SuperCluster





























Exadata X9M Extreme Flash



5 Physical Standby DBs Local, and in different region, 2500km away

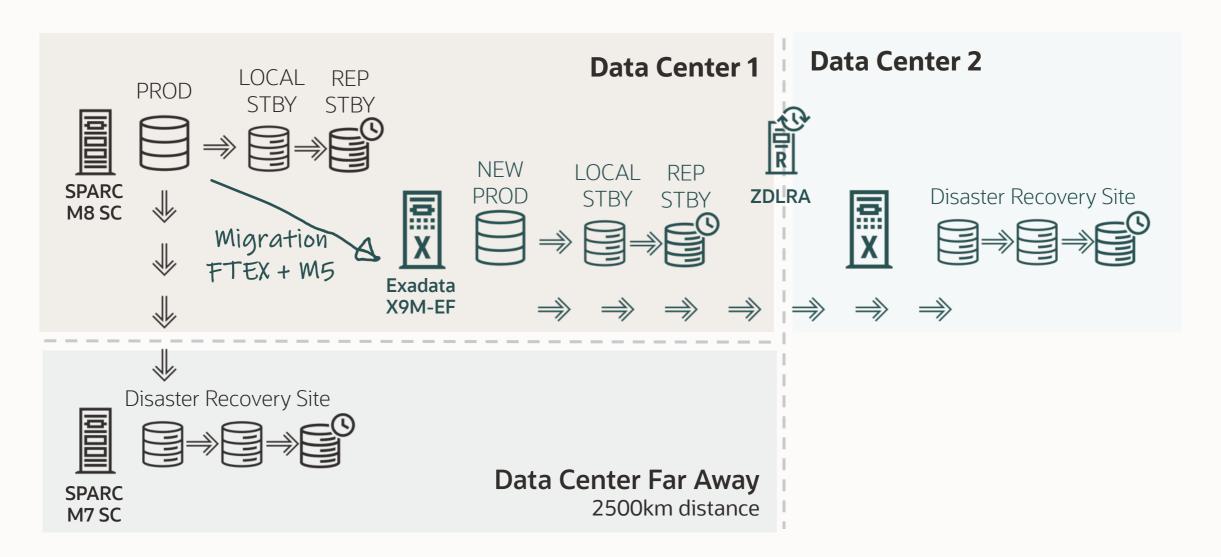
Migration



Full Transportable Export/Import is the only possible option to migrate

- Oracle GoldenGate unlikely to synch 15TB redo/day
- Data Pump would have taken too long

Migration Plan



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Level 1

Outage

Final Backup Final restore

Export Import



















Configure

Level 0

Level 1

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Final Backup Final restore

Export Import

















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Configure Level 0 Level 1 Outage Final Export Import



SPARC SuperCluster









Configure Level 0 Level 1 Outage Final Final Export Backup restore Import







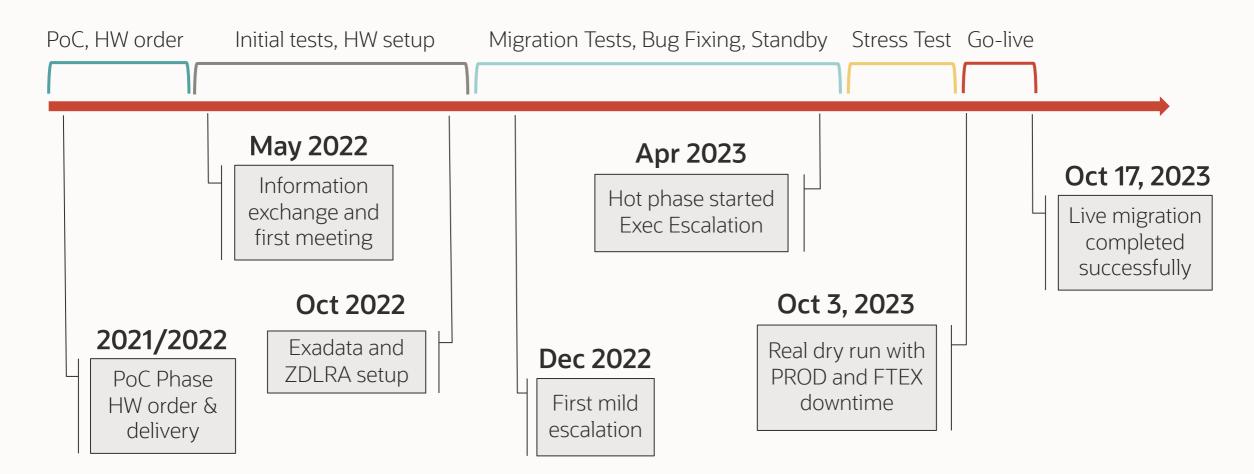




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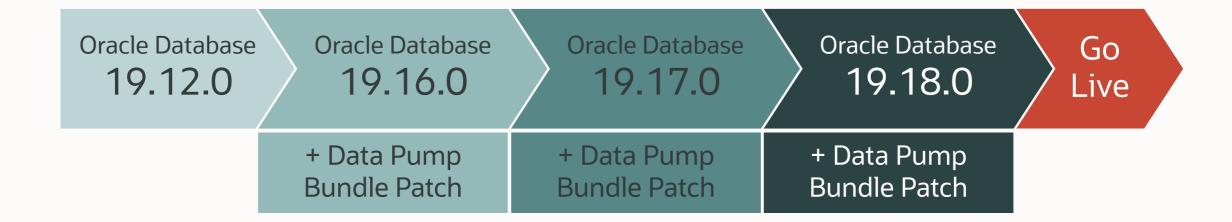
Timelines and the Run Book

Overall Project Timeline





Oracle Database Release Migration Evolution





Key to Success: Runbook

Complex projects absolutely require a detailed runbook

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Timeline Live Migration

Task	22:00	23:00	0:00	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00
Stats and AWR expdp etc											
Application downtime	22:45 h – 8:00 h										
Export / truncate audit		48 min									
Tablespaces read-only											
Final L1 backup			50 min								
Full Transportable Export			52 min								
Recover final L1 backup				30 min							
Full Transportable Import				16	5 min = 2	2:45 hrs					
Gather and import stats							30+30 min				
Database migration time				23:4	8 h – 5:	05 h					
Functional/internal tests								175	min = 2:5	5 hrs	



Monitoring and Troubleshooting





Attach to a running job and use the interactive command mode



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Export: Release 23.0.0.0.0 - Production on Tue Oct 31 14:56:06 2023

Version 23.3.0.23.09

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Connected to: Oracle Database 23c EE High Perf Release 23.0.0.0.0 - Production 31-OCT-23 14:56:13.420: Starting "SYSTEM"."SYS_EXPORT_FULL_01"

31-OCT-23 14:56:13.799: W-1 Startup on Instance 1 took 0 seconds 31-OCT-23 14:56:30.550: W-2 Startup on instance 1 took 0 seconds 31-OCT-23 14:56:38.519: W-3 Startup on instance 1 took 0 seconds 31-OCT-23 14:56:38.529: W-4 Startup on instance 1 took 0 seconds
```

\$ expdp user/password@alias ...

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$ expdp user/password@alias attach=SYSTEM.SYS_EXPORT_FULL_01
Export> status
. . .
Worker 1 Status:
  Instance ID: 1
  Instance name: CDB23
  Host name: dbs23
  Object start time: Tuesday, 14 November, 2023 9:22:30
  Object status at: Tuesday, 14 November, 2023 9:30:35
  Process Name: DW00
  State: EXECUTING
  Object Schema: APPS
  Object Name: AP_INVOICE_DISTRIBUTIONS_PKG
  Object Type: DATABASE_EXPORT/SCHEMA/PACKAGE_BODIES/PACKAGE/PACKAGE_BODY
  Completed Objects: 1,938
  Worker Parallelism: 1
```

Monitoring | Other Sources

- Tail alert log
- Use V\$SESSION_LONGOPS
- Use SQL Monitoring
 - Enterprise Manager SQL Monitoring
 - SQL Developer Real Time SQL Monitoring
 - Check license requirements





M5 scripts adds RMAN trace automatically





To enable Data Pump trace use DP_TRACE in M5 properties files

- Trace level 3FF0300 suitable for transportable jobs
- MOS Doc ID <u>286496.1</u>

```
-- Change AWR snap interval to 15 minutes and create snapshot
exec dbms workload repository.modify snapshot settings(null, 15);
exec dbms workload repository.create snapshot;
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```
-- Optionally, enable SQL trace for Data Pump processes or specific SQL ID
alter system set events 'sql_trace {process: pname = dw | process: pname = dm} level=8';
alter system set events 'sql trace[SQL: 03g1bnw08m4ds ]';
```

```
-- Run Data Pump job with trace (Doc ID 286496.1)
-- Trace value 3FF0300 is suitable for transportable jobs
-- LOGTIME and METRICS is added by default by M5 script
expdp ... metrics=yes logtime=all trace=3FF0300
impdp ... metrics=yes logtime=all trace=3FF0300
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```
-- Create AWR snapshot and produce AWR report
exec dbms workload repository.modify snapshot settings(null, <original-value>);
exec dbms workload repository.create snapshot;
@?/rdbms/admin/awrrpt
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Data Pump Trace

Collect:

- Data Pump log file
- AWR report
- Data Pump trace files
 - Stored in the database trace directory
 - Control process file name: *dm*
 - Worker process file names: *dw*







A migration is not a pet project

- Plan
- Train
- Focus
- Work together

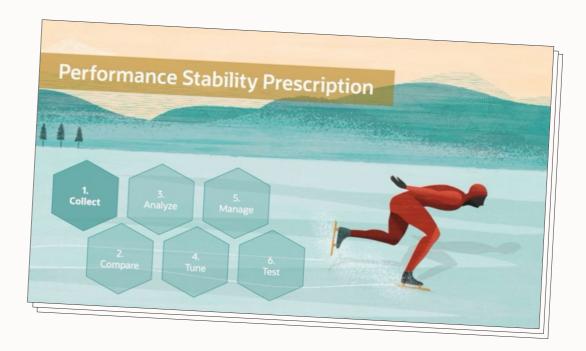


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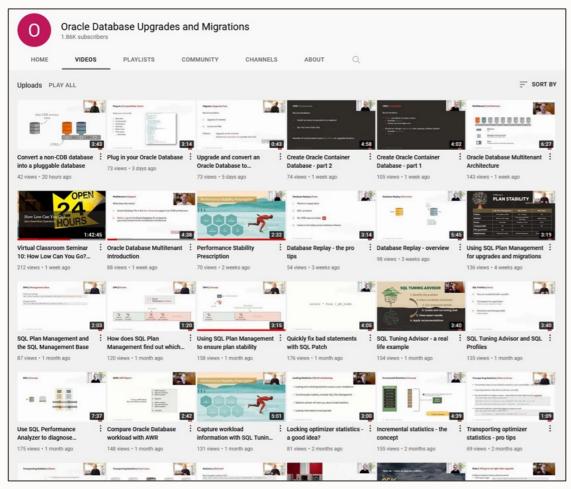
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