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Oracle Database 19c

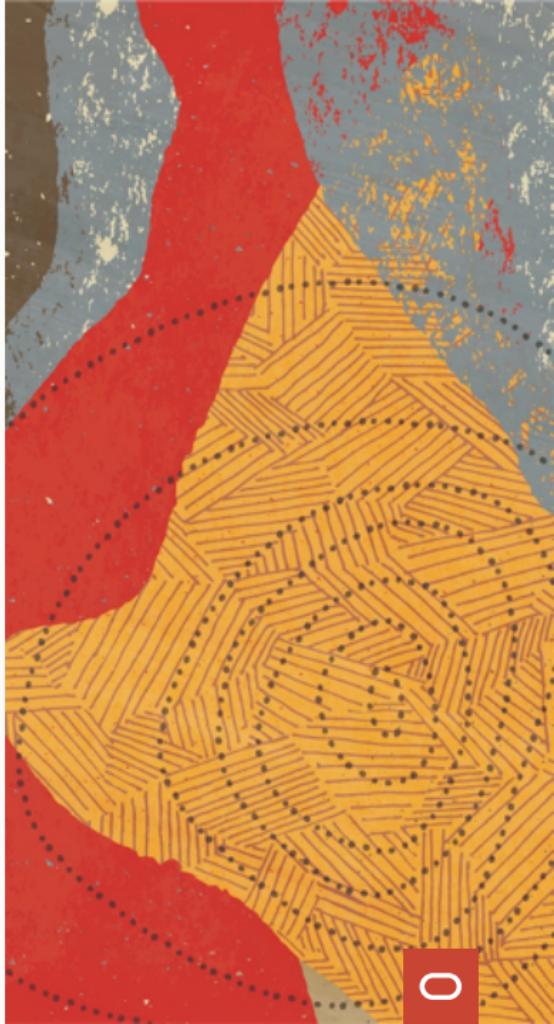




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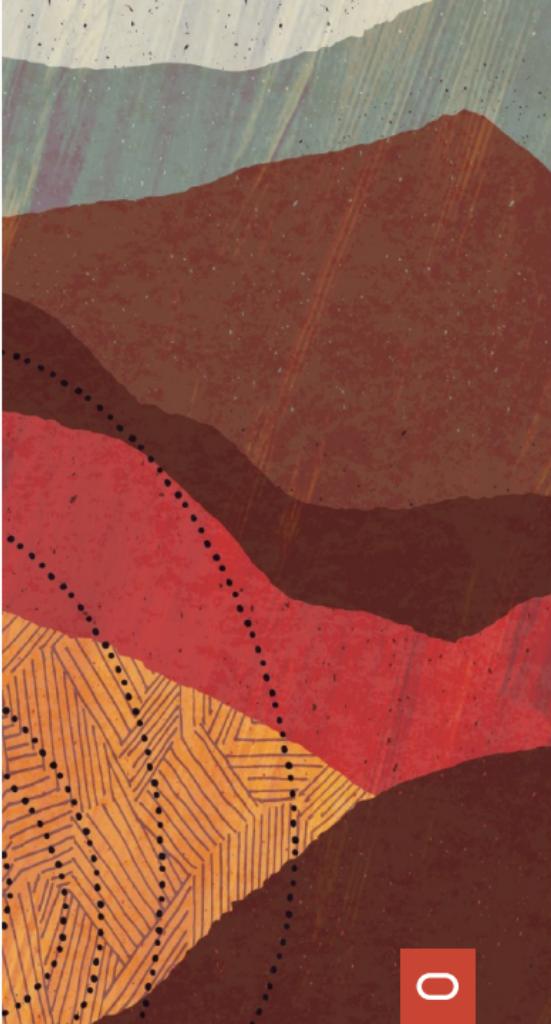
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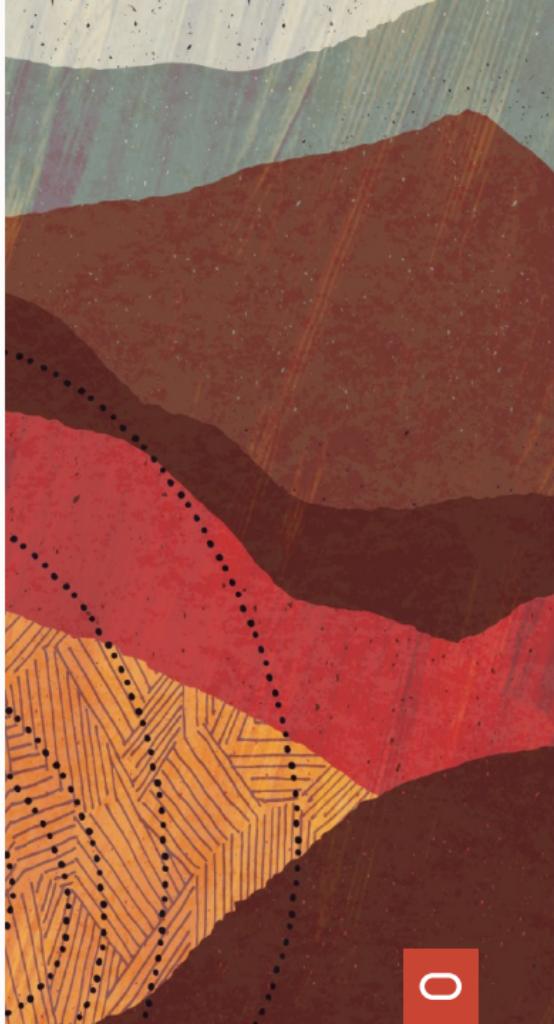




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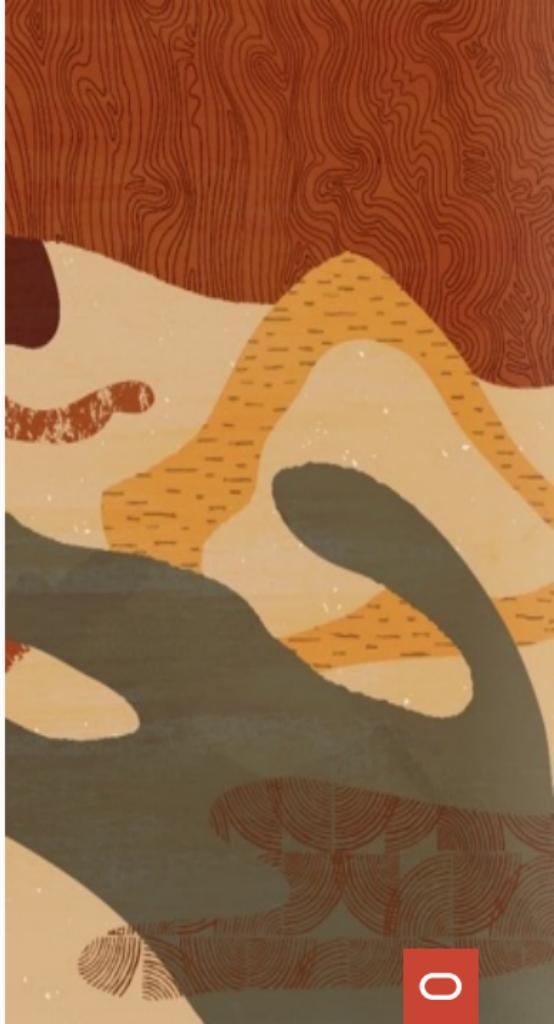
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Episode 2

[AutoUpgrade to Oracle Database 19c](#)

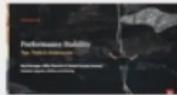
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120 minutes - Mar 4, 2021



Episode 4

[Migration to Oracle Multitenant](#)

120 minutes - Mar 16, 2021



Episode 5

[Migration Strategies – Insights, Tips and Secrets](#)

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[Move to the Cloud – Not only for techies](#)

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Episode 7

[Cool Features – Not only for DBAs](#)

110 minutes - Jan 14, 2021



Episode 8

[Database Upgrade Internals – and so much more](#)

110 minutes - Feb 11, 2021



Episode 9

[Performance Testing Using the Oracle Cloud for Upgrades and Migrations](#)

90 minutes - May 19, 2021



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Chapter 2

Upgrade to Oracle Database 19c

your key to

Successful Database Upgrades

Step 1

Download and
install Oracle 19c

eDelivery.oracle.com

Step 2

Download and
install newest RU

MOS Note: 2118136.2

Step 3

Download and use
AutoUpgrade

MOS Note: 2485457.1

Step 4

Performance Stability
with SPM, STA and RAT



Upgrade using

AutoUpgrade

complete
AUTOMATION

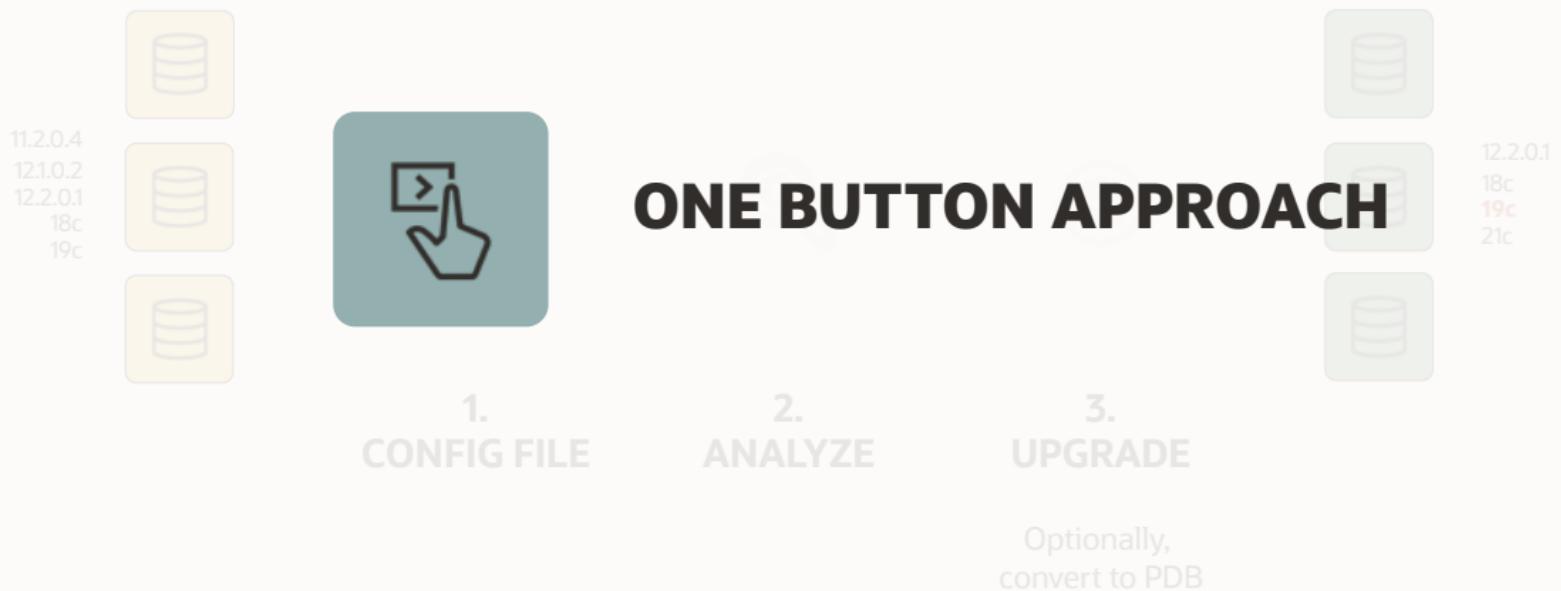
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FEATURES

fleet
SCALE

highly
RECOMMENDED



AutoUpgrade | Overview

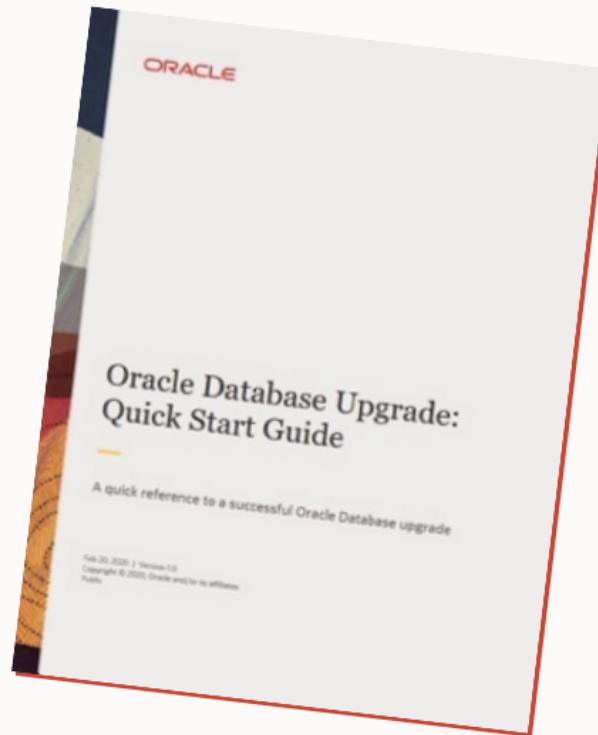


Get started | **Quick Start Guide**

Simple overview

Read it, try it

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Before Upgrade

Supportability | OS Certification



Search Results: Oracle Database 11.2.0.4.0 on Linux x86-64 Oracle Linux 7

 Certification Search

 Certification Results

Operating System Certification



Oracle Database 11.2.0.4.0 is certified on Linux x86-64 Oracle Linux 7

See Certification Details for Notes and Support information.

Displaying Oracle Database 11.2.0.4.0 Certifications (Filtered by Linux x86-64 Oracle Linux 7 ) [View Certification Notes](#)

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Certified With

Number of Releases / Versions

 **Operating Systems (1 Item)**

Linux x86-64

1 Version (Oracle Linux 7)

Supportability | OS Certification



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Patches & Updates Community **Certifications** Managed Cloud CRM On Demand Systems

Certifications > Search Results: Oracle Database 19.0.0.0.0 on IBM AIX on POWER Systems (64-bit) 7.2 >

IBM AIX on POWER Systems (64-bit)

Certification Search

Certification Results

Back Oracle Database 19.0.0.0 has certifications on the following Operating System releases. Choose a release from the list below.

View ▾

Certified Product	Certification Status	Support Information
IBM AIX on POWER Systems (64-bit) 7.2	Certified	Premier Support (2+ years remaining)
IBM AIX on POWER Systems (64-bit) 7.1	Certified	Premier Support (2+ years remaining)

Platform Certification | Linux x86-64



	Database 11.2.0.4	Database 12.1.0.2	Database 19c
Oracle Linux 4	Certified		
Oracle Linux 5	Certified	Certified	
Oracle Linux 6	Certified	Certified	
Oracle Linux 7	Certified	Certified	Certified
Oracle Linux 8		Certified	Certified
Red Hat 4	Certified		
Red Hat 5	Certified	Certified	
Red Hat 6	Certified	Certified	
Red Hat 7	Certified	Certified	Certified
Red Hat 8		Certified	Certified

Platform Certification | Windows Server



	Database 11.2.0.4	Database 12.1.0.2	Database 19c
Microsoft Windows x64 2003	Certified		
Microsoft Windows x64 2003 R2	Certified		
Microsoft Windows x64 2008	Certified	Certified	
Microsoft Windows x64 2008 R2	Certified	Certified	
Microsoft Windows x64 2012	Certified	Certified	
Microsoft Windows x64 2012 R2	Certified	Certified	Certified
Microsoft Windows x64 2016			Certified
Microsoft Windows x64 2019			Certified

Platform Certification | AIX



	Database 11.2.0.4	Database 12.1.0.2	Database 19c
POWER Systems (64-bit) 5.3	Certified		
POWER Systems (64-bit) 6.1	Certified	Certified	
POWER Systems (64-bit) 7.1	Certified	Certified	Certified
POWER Systems (64-bit) 7.2	Certified	Certified	Certified

More Links on the Upgrade Blog

Oracle Clusterware Certification on OL8/RHEL8

<https://mikedietrichde.com/2020/05/14/of-course-oracle-clusterware-is-certified-on-ol8-rhel8-as-well/>

Oracle Database 19c Certification on OL8/RHEL8

<https://mikedietrichde.com/2020/05/11/oracle-database-19c-is-certified-on-ol8-and-rhel8/>

Of course, Oracle Clusterware is certified on OL8/RHEL8 as well

Posted on May 14, 2020 by Mike.Dietrich Operating Systems

To be very honest, when I posted a few days ago, Oracle Database 19c is certified on OL8/RHEL8 I didn't check for the Oracle **Clusterware (OCW) certification**. I blindly assumed that this is the case. But from comments and discussions on Twitter, I realized it may be necessary to point this out explicitly to avoid confusion. Even though my fellow mate, RAC Product Manager Anil Nair has pointed it out already many times **Of course, Oracle Clusterware is certified on OL8/RHEL8 as well**.



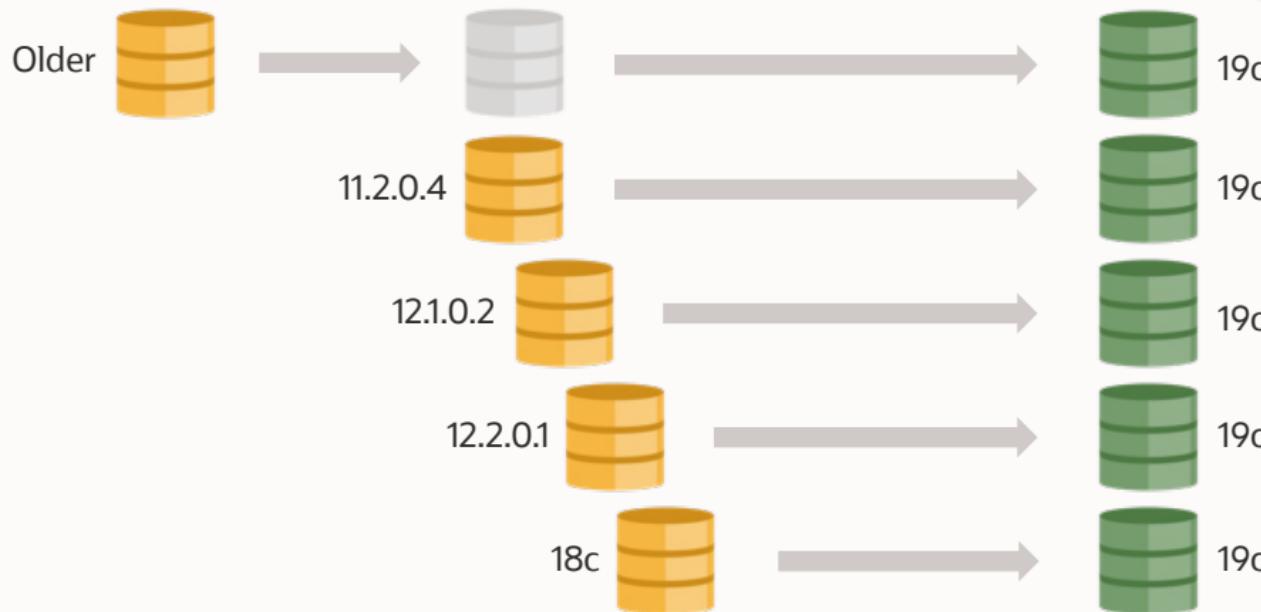
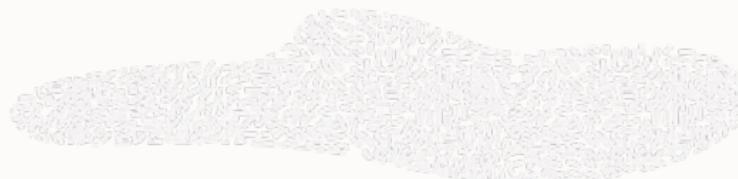
Oracle Database 19c is certified on OL8 and RHEL8

Posted on May 11, 2020 by Mike.Dietrich Operating Systems

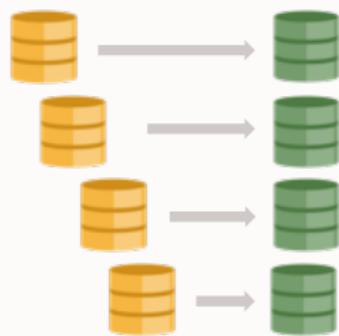
Oh ... I'd say this was the question I've got asked the second most often in the past months (after a potential extension for Oracle 12.2.0.1 support): **When will Oracle certify OL8 and RHEL8?** And I read this question internally even more often. Now thanks to [my team mate](#) Daniel Overby Hansen who spotted it on Twitter on the weekend, we can tell you that ... finally ... drum roll ... **Oracle Database 19c is certified on OL8 and RHEL8.**



Database Upgrade | Supported Releases



Database Upgrade | Supported Releases



Database / Oracle / Oracle Database / Release 19

Database Upgrade Guide

Oracle Database Releases That Support Direct Upgrade

Review the supported options for direct upgrades to the latest Oracle Database release.

You can perform a direct upgrade to the new release from the following releases:

- 11.2.0.4
- 12.1.0.2
- 12.2.0.1
- 18

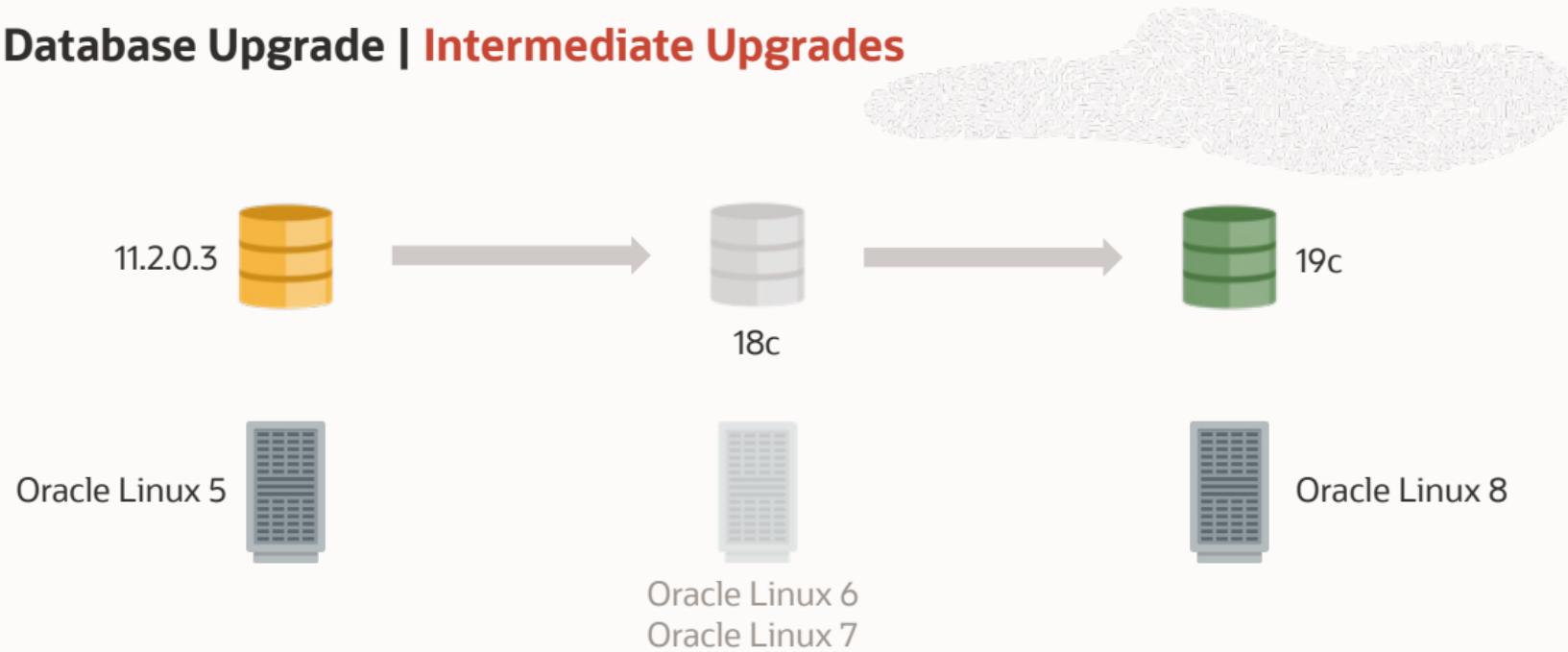
[Database Upgrade Guide](#)

Database Upgrade | Intermediate Upgrades

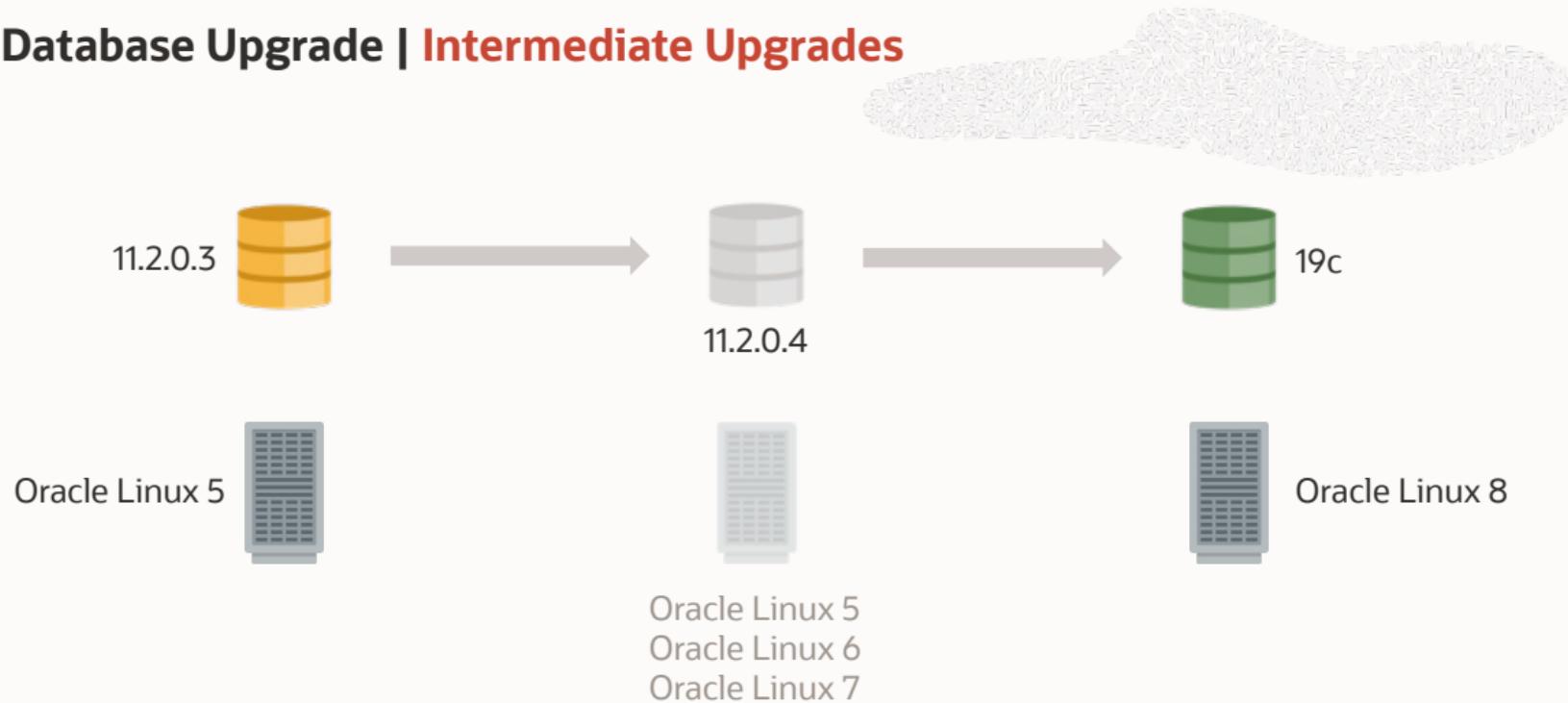


- Ideally - upgrade **as far as possible** in the intermediate upgrade
- But often there is a platform upgrades as well
- So - **it depends**

Database Upgrade | Intermediate Upgrades



Database Upgrade | Intermediate Upgrades



Oracle 19c | Installation

Gold Image

1. Create ORACLE_HOME directory
2. Download image ←
3. Unpack into ORACLE_HOME
4. ./runInstaller
5. root.sh

Root script execution configuration

Configuration Option	During the software configuration, the "root" user. You can choose automatically by specifying the user name. The specified will also be used for the checks.
<input type="checkbox"/> Automatically run configuration	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Use "root" user credential
	Password : <input type="text"/>

Oracle Database 19c
19.3

Name	Download
Microsoft Windows x64 (64-bit)	 ZIP (2.9 GB)
Linux x86-64	 ZIP (2.8 GB) RPM (2.5 GB)
Oracle Solaris (SPARC systems, 64-bit)	 ZIP (2.8 GB)
IBM AIX	 ZIP (4.1 GB)
HP-UX ia64	 ZIP (4.7 GB)
Linux on System z (64-bit)	 ZIP (2.6 GB)

Oracle 19c | RPM Installation

RPM

Linux x86-64



ZIP (2.8 GB)



RPM (2.5 GB)

- `yum install -y oracle-database-preinstall-19c`
- `yum -y localinstall oracle-database-ee-19c-1.0-1.x86_64.rpm`
- **rpm installs always into:**
`/opt/oracle/product/19c/dbhome_1`
 - Not practical for typical environments

APEX | Upgrade APEX upfront

APEX upgrade

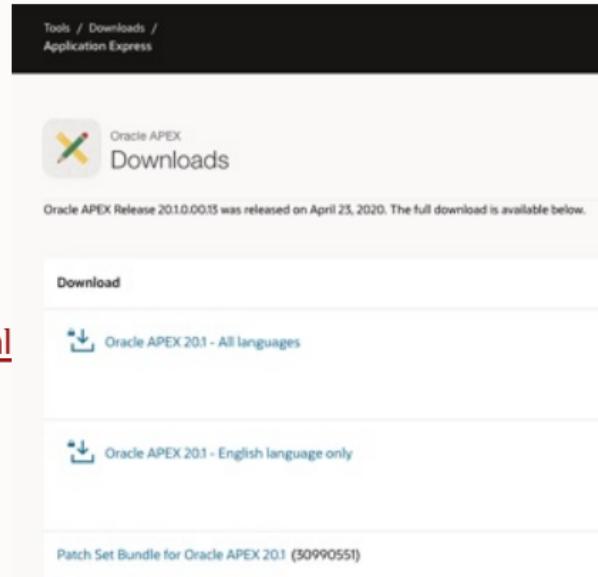
- Not part of the database upgrade
- [MOS Note: 1088970.1](#) - Master Note APEX Upgrades

APEX certification

- Minimum APEX Version for Oracle 19c: **APEX 18.2**
- [MOS Note: 1344948.1](#) - APEX Database and Web Server Certification

Download the newest APEX

- <https://www.oracle.com/tools/downloads/apex-v191-downloads.html>



Tools / Downloads / Application Express

 Oracle APEX Downloads

Oracle APEX Release 20.1.0.0.15 was released on April 23, 2020. The full download is available below.

[Download](#)

 Oracle APEX 20.1 - All languages

 Oracle APEX 20.1 - English language only

[Patch Set Bundle for Oracle APEX 20.1 \(30990551\)](#)

Upgrade 19c | Speed it up

Check when dictionary stats have been gathered the last time

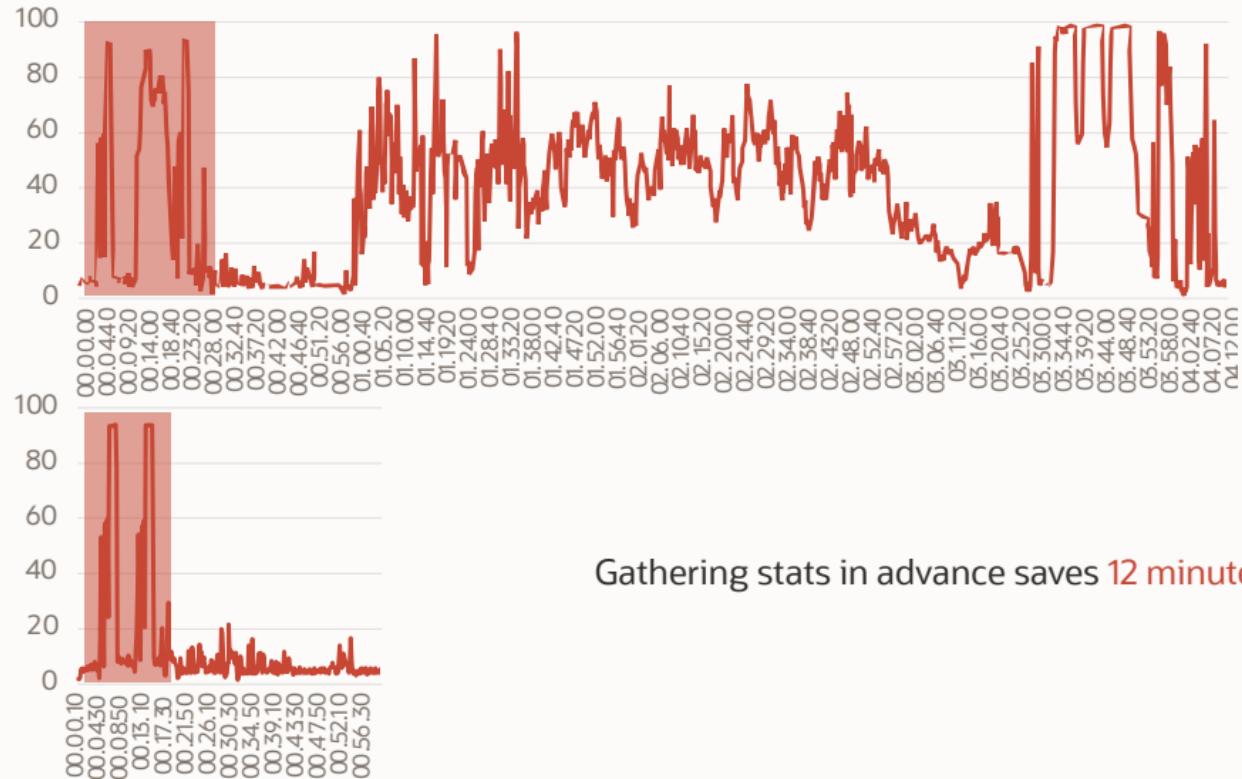
```
SELECT
    to_char(max(end_time), 'dd-mon-yy hh24:mi') latest, operation
FROM
    dba_optstat_operations
WHERE
    operation in ('gather_dictionary_stats', 'gather_fixed_objects_stats')
GROUP BY
    operation;
```



LATEST	OPERATION
13-SEP-19 11:52	gather_fixed_objects_stats
18-APR-19 23:59	gather_dictionary_stats

Refresh stats a day **before** the upgrade

Upgrade 19c | Gather Stats In Advance



Gathering stats in advance saves **12 minutes**

Operating System | Recommendations

Oracle Database (RDBMS) on Unix AIX,HP-UX,Linux,Solaris and MS Windows Operating Systems
Installation and Configuration Requirements Quick Reference (12.1/12.2/18c/19c) (Doc ID 1587357.1)

19c

Common Requirements

Oracle Linux 7

RHEL 7

SLES 12

SLES 15

AIX 7.1

AIX 7.2

HP-UX

Solaris 11



Oracle Linux 7

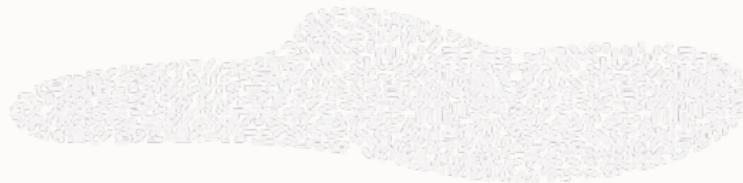
Oracle Linux 7

OS Version	Patches/Packages	Kernel settings
Oracle Linux 7.4 with the Unbreakable Enterprise Kernel 4: 4.1.12-124.19.2.el7uek.x86_64 or later Oracle Linux 7.4 with the Unbreakable Enterprise Kernel 5: 4.14.35-1818.1.6.el7uek.x86_64 or later Oracle Linux 7.5 with the Red Hat Compatible kernel: 3.10.0-862.11.6.el7.x86_64 or later	bc binutils compat-libcap1 compat-libstdc++ elfutils-libelf elfutils-libelf-devel fontconfig-devel glibc glibc-devel ksh libaio libaio-devel	semmsl 250 semmns 32000 semopm 100 semnni 128 shmall Greater than or equal to the value of shmmax, in pages. shmmax Half the size of physical memory in bytes shmmni 4096 panic_on_oops 1 file-max 6815744 aio-max-nr 1048576 ip_local_port_range Minimum:



For important databases, execute
database health checks before upgrade

Health Checks



Health check script

- Download from [MOS Note: 136697.1](#)
- In Multitenant, it must be run in each PDB separately



ORAchk Upgrade Readiness Assessment

- Part of Autonomous Health Framework (AHF)
- Download from [MOS Note: 1457357.1](#)
- Upgrade Readiness Check – [MOS Note: 2550798.1](#)

Health Check | **hcheck.sql**

If your database is highly important, do a health check

- Lightweight, non-intrusive script
- Checks consistency of selected dictionary relationships
- [hcheck.sql - Script to Check for Known Problems \(Doc ID 136697.1\)](#)

```
SQL> @/tmp/hcheck
H.Check Version 4.4 on 01-MAR-2018 23:46:27
-----
Catalog Version 11.2.0.4.0 (1102000400)
db_name: UPGR

Procedure Name          Catalog      Fixed
Result                 Version     Vs Release   Timestamp
-----
```

.. LobNotInObj	... 1102000400	<= *All Rel*	03/01 23:46:27	PASS
.. MissingOIDOnObjCol	... 1102000400	<= *All Rel*	03/01 23:46:27	PASS
.. SourceNotInObj	... 1102000400	<= *All Rel*	03/01 23:46:27	FAIL

HCKE-0003: SOURCE\$ for OBJ# not in OBJ\$ (Doc ID 1360233.1)
SOURCES has 4 rows for 1 OBJ# values not in OBJ\$

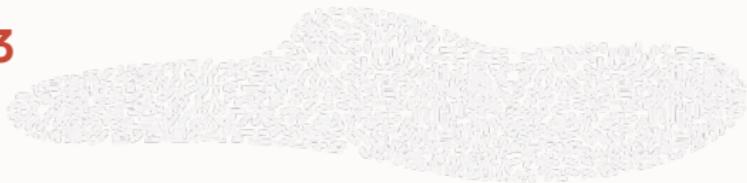
```
.. OversizedFiles    ... 1102000400 <= *All Rel* 03/01 23:46:27 PASS
```



AutoUpgrade

The **ONLY** recommended way to upgrade databases

Upgrade | AutoUpgrade - As Easy As 1-2-3



Supported source releases

- 11.2.0.4
- 12.1.0.2
- 12.2.0.1
- 18
- 19

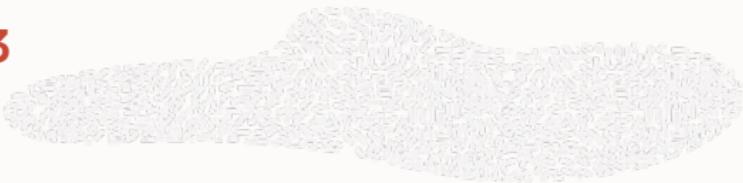
All architectures (CDB and non-CDB)

All supported operating systems

All editions (SE2, EE)

All types (single instance and RAC)

Upgrade | AutoUpgrade - As Easy As 1-2-3



START

1. DOWNLOAD

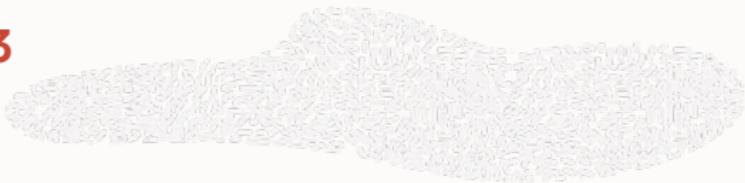
2. CONFIG

3. DEPLOY

SUCCESS

Download from My Oracle Support ID [2485457.1](#)

Upgrade | AutoUpgrade - As Easy As 1-2-3



START

1. DOWNLOAD

2. CONFIG

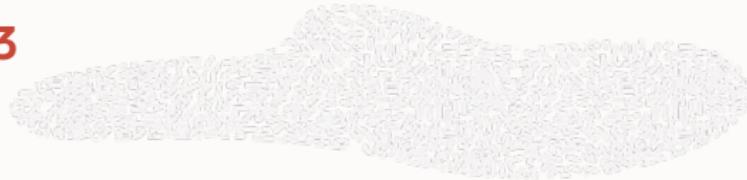
3. DEPLOY

SUCCESS

Simple text file

```
upg1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/12.2.0.1
upg1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19
upg1.sid=CDB1
```

Upgrade | AutoUpgrade - As Easy As 1-2-3



START

1. DOWNLOAD

2. CONFIG

3. DEPLOY

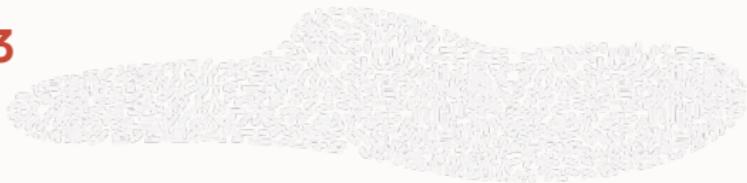
SUCCESS

One command

```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config cdb1.cfg -mode deploy
```

Advanced monitoring and logging

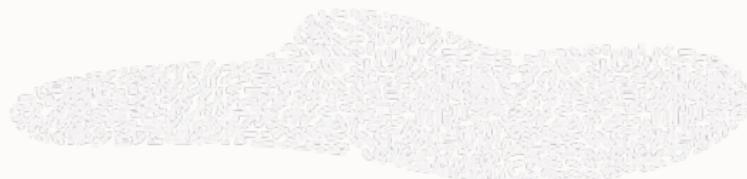
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Supported **target** releases

- 12.2.0.1
- 18
- 19
- 21
- Any future release

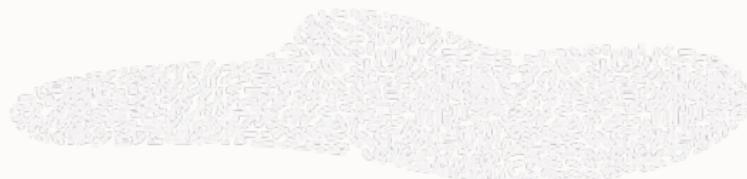
AutoUpgrade | Need And Don't Need



JAVA	JAR FILE	AGENTS	ENTERPRISE MANAGER	DBUA	EXTRA LICENSE
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- Java 8 required
 - Part of Oracle Home since 12.1.0.2
- 3 MB jar file

AutoUpgrade | Need And Don't Need



JAVA	JAR FILE	AGENTS	ENTERPRISE MANAGER	DBUA	EXTRA LICENSE
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- No agents to install
- Enterprise Manager not needed
- AutoUpgrade offers superior functionality
- No extra license

AutoUpgrade | Blog Post Series

<https://mikedietrichde.com/2019/04/29/the-new-autoupgrade-utility-in-oracle-19c/>

AutoUpgrade – Step-by-step

1. The new AutoUpgrade Utility – Download, documentation and supported versions
2. Create and adjust the config file for AutoUpgrade
3. Config file for AutoUpgrade – Advanced options
4. Config file for AutoUpgrade – Tweaking init parameters
5. AutoUpgrade: ANALYZE, FIXUPS, UPGRADE and DEPLOY modes
6. AutoUpgrade: Where do you find all the logfiles?
7. UPG: The AutoUpgrade Command Line Interface
8. Upgrading Multitenant databases with AutoUpgrade
9. Moving to a new server with AutoUpgrade
10. How to tweak the hidden settings in AutoUpgrade
11. AutoUpgrade and Data Guard, RAC, Restart and non-CDB to PDB
12. AutoUpgrade and Wallets

The new AutoUpgrade utility in Oracle 19c

Posted on April 29, 2019 by Mike.Dietrich [AutoUpgrade](#)



AutoUpgrade Essentials



AutoUpgrade | Essentials

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Always download latest version from MOS

★ AutoUpgrade Tool (Doc ID 2485457.1)

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APPLIES TO:

Oracle Database - Enterprise Edition - Version 12.2.0.1 and later

Oracle Database - Standard Edition - Version 12.2.0.1 and later

Information in this document applies to any platform.

MAIN CONTENT

Description

Oracle Database AutoUpgrade allows DBAs to upgrade one or many databases without human intervention, all with one

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Check your version

```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -version  
build.version 22.5.221011  
build.date 2022/10/11 14:23:59 -0400  
build.hash e9428661  
build.hash_date 2022/10/11 12:55:45 -0400  
build.supported_target_versions 12.2,18,19,21  
build.type production
```

AutoUpgrade | Essentials

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Configure
Analyze
Check
Upgrade

AutoUpgrade handles older releases as well

```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -version  
  
build.version 22.5.221011  
build.date 2022/10/11 14:23:59 -0400  
build.hash e9428661  
build.hash_date 2022/10/11 12:55:45 -0400  
build.supported_target_versions 12.2,18,19,21  
build.type production
```

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Shortest possible config file version

```
upg1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/12.2.0.1  
upg1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19  
upg1.sid=CDB1
```

Or, generate a sample config file

```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -create_sample_file config  
Created sample configuration file /home/oracle/sample_config.cfg
```

Pro tip: *upg1* is a prefix that you decide.
Use it to define multiple databases

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Analyze your database

```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config CDB1.cfg -mode analyze  
...  
upg> Job 100 completed  
Please check the summary report at:  
/u01/app/oracle/cfgtoollogs/autoupgrade/cfgtoollogs/upgrade/auto/status/status.html  
/u01/app/oracle/cfgtoollogs/autoupgrade/cfgtoollogs/upgrade/auto/status/status.log
```

Pro tip: Analyze is similar to
running preupgrade.jar

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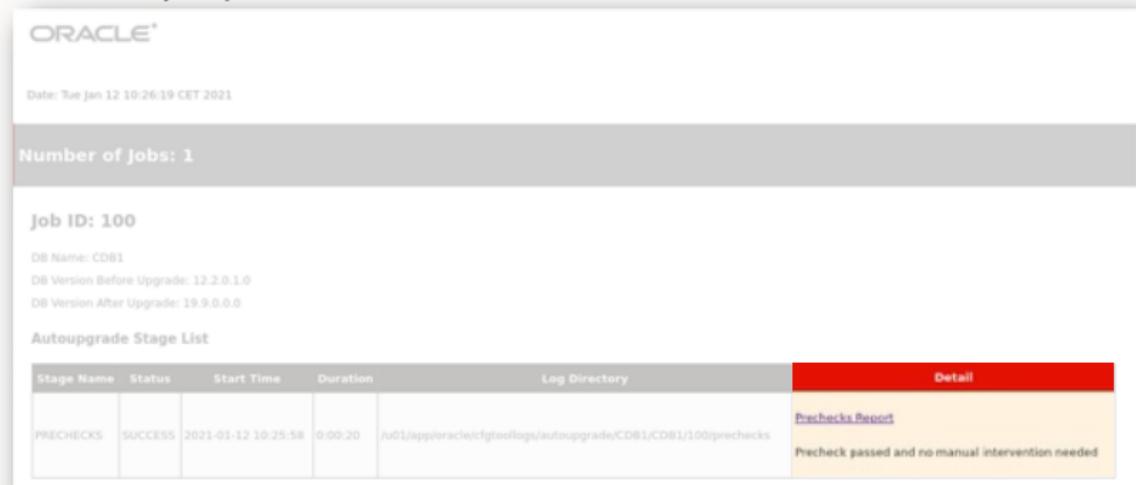
Summary report - text

```
=====
Autoupgrade Summary Report
=====
[Date]           Tue Jan 12 10:26:19 CET 2021
[Number of Jobs] 1
=====
[Job ID] 100
=====
[DB Name]          CDB1
[Version Before Upgrade] 12.2.0.1.0
[Version After Upgrade] 19.9.0.0.0
-----
[Stage Name]      PRECHECKS
[Status]          SUCCESS
[Start Time]     2021-01-12 10:25:58
[Duration]        0:00:20
[Log Directory]  /u01/app/oracle/upg/CDB1/100/prechecks
[Detail]          /u01/app/oracle/upg/CDB1/100/prechecks/cdb1_preupgrade.log
                  Precheck passed and no manual intervention needed
-----
```

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Summary report - HTML



The screenshot shows a summary report for an AutoUpgrade job. The report header includes the Oracle logo and the date (Tue Jan 12 10:26:19 CET 2021). A grey bar indicates 'Number of Jobs: 1'. Below this, the 'Job ID: 100' is listed. Technical details for the job are provided: DB Name (CDB1), DB Version Before Upgrade (12.2.0.1.0), and DB Version After Upgrade (19.9.0.0.0). A table titled 'Autoupgrade Stage List' shows a single row for 'PRECHECKS' with a status of 'SUCCESS'. The 'Detail' column for this row contains a link to 'Prechecks Report' and the message 'Precheck passed and no manual intervention needed'.

Stage Name	Status	Start Time	Duration	Log Directory	Detail
PRECHECKS	SUCCESS	2021-01-12 10:25:58	0:00:20	/u01/app/oracle/cfgtoollogs/autoupgrade/CDB1/CDB1/100/prechecks	Prechecks Report Precheck passed and no manual intervention needed

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CDB1

DATABASE	
DB Compatible	12.2.0
DB Version	12.2.0.1.0
Operating System	Linux
Blocksize	8192
Timezone	26
LogMode	ARCHIVELOG
Readonly	false
Edition	EE

COMPONENTS			
Oracle Component	Version	Upgrade Action	Current Status
Oracle Workspace Manager	12.2.0.1.0	to be upgraded	VALID
Oracle Catalog Views	12.2.0.1.0	to be upgraded	VALID
Real Application Clusters	12.2.0.1.0	to be upgraded	OPTION OFF
Oracle XML Database	12.2.0.1.0	to be upgraded	VALID
Oracle Label Security	12.2.0.1.0	to be upgraded	VALID
Oracle Packages and Types	12.2.0.1.0	to be upgraded	VALID

CDB\$ROOT

CheckName: DICTIONARY_STATS	FixUp Available: YES	Severity: RECOMMEND	Stage: PRECHECKS
Gather stale data dictionary statistics prior to database upgrade in off-peak time using:			
EXECUTE DBMS_STATS.GATHER_DICTIONARY_STATS;			
Dictionary statistics help the Oracle optimizer find efficient SQL execution plans and are essential for proper upgrade timing. Oracle recommends gathering dictionary statistics in the last 24 hours before database upgrade.			
For information on managing optimizer statistics, refer to the 12.2.0.1 Oracle Database SQL Tuning Guide.			
Dictionary statistics do not exist or are stale (not up-to-date).			

POB3

CheckName: HIDDEN_PARAMS	FixUp Available: NO	Severity: RECOMMEND	Stage: PRECHECKS
Review and remove any unnecessary HIDDEN/UNDERSCORE parameters.			
Remove hidden parameters before database upgrade unless your application vendors and/or Oracle Support state differently. Changes will need to be made in the pfile/spfile.			
The database contains the following initialization parameters whose name begins with an underscore:			

POB1

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Preupgrade report comes in:

- HTML
- Text
- JSON

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```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config CDB1.cfg -mode deploy
```



Have a cup of coffee and wait, or ...

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```
upg> lsj
```

Job#	DB_NAME	STAGE	OPERATION	STATUS	START_TIME	UPDATED	MESSAGE
101	CDB1	PREFIXUPS	EXECUTING	RUNNING	20/11/24 13:38	13:39:26	Remaining 12/13

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All the details

```
upg> status -job 101
```

Progress

```
Start time: 20/11/24 13:38
Elapsed (min): 13
Last update: 2020-11-24T13:48:52.139
Stage: DBUPGRADE
Operation: EXECUTING
Status: RUNNING
```

Stage summary:

SETUP	<1 min
GRP	<1 min
PREUPGRADE	<1 min
PRECHECKS	<1 min
PREFIXUPS	8 min
DRAIN	<1 min
DBUPGRADE	3 min (IN PROGRESS)

Job Logs Locations

```
Logs Base: /home/oracle/autoupg_default/CDB1/CDB1
Job logs: /home/oracle/autoupg_default/CDB1/CDB1/101
Stage logs: /home/oracle/autoupg_default/CDB1/CDB1/101/dbupgrade
TimeZone: /home/oracle/autoupg_default/CDB1/CDB1/temp
```

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All the details - continued

...

Additional information

Details:

[Upgrading] is [0%] completed for [cdb1-cdb\$root]

CONTAINER	PERCENTAGE
CDB\$ROOT	UPGRADE [12%]
PDB\$SEED	UPGRADE PENDING
PDB3	UPGRADE PENDING

Error Details:

None

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Success

```
upg> Job 101 completed
----- Final Summary -----
Number of databases      [ 1 ]

Jobs finished successfully [1]
Jobs failed                [0]
Jobs pending                [0]
----- JOBS FINISHED SUCCESSFULLY -----
Job 101 for CDB1

----- Drop GRP at your convenience once you consider it is no longer needed -----
Drop GRP from CDB1: drop restore point AUTOUPGRADE_9212_CDB1122010
```

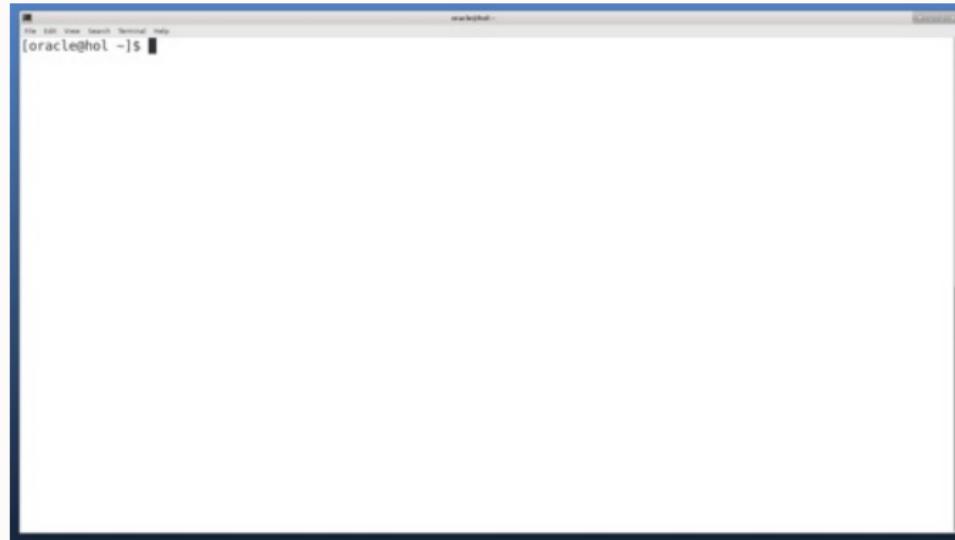
And it includes:

- Recompilation (utlrp.sql)
- Time zone file upgrade
- Postupgrade fixups
- ... and so much more

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One-liner using `environment variables`

```
export ORACLE_SID=CDB1
export ORACLE_HOME=/u01/app/oracle/product/12.2.0.1
export ORACLE_TARGET_HOME=/u01/app/oracle/product/19

java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config_values -mode analyze
```

One-liner using `config_values`

```
java -jar autoupgrade.jar \
  -config_values "sid=CDB1,source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/12.2.0.1,target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19" \
  -mode analyze
```

AutoUpgrade Advanced Options



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Upgrade one or many databases

One

```
upg1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/12.2.0.1
upg1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19
upg1.sid=CDB1
```

Many

```
upg1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/12.2.0.1
upg1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19
upg1.sid=CDB1
```

```
upg2.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/11.2.0.4
upg2.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19
upg2.sid=DB11204
```

...

```
upgn.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/12.1.0.2
upgn.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19
upgn.sid=HR
```

Pro tip: You can also start multiple instances of AutoUpgrade at the same time

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Upgrade only when `upgrade_node` matches hostname

```
upg1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/12.2.0.1
upg1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19
upg1.upgrade_node=test_server01.mycorp.net
upg1.sid=CDB1
```

```
upg2.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/12.2.0.1
upg2.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19
upg2.upgrade_node=prod_server01.mycorp.net
upg2.sid=CDB2
```

- Database `upg1` will only be upgraded when AutoUpgrade gets executed on server `test_server01.mycorp.net`

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Update initialization parameters as part of the upgrade

You can:

- Add or remove parameters
- Before, during or after upgrade
- For a single or every database

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Remove a parameter during a specific upgrade

```
upg1.del_during_upgrade_pfile=/home/oracle/global_del_during.ora
```

```
# Example: global_del_during.ora  
  
optimizer_features_enable
```

Add parameters to all databases after upgrade

```
global.add_after_upgrade_pfile=/home/oracle/global_add_after.ora
```

```
# Example: global_add_after.ora  
  
deferred_segment_creation=false  
_cursor_obsolete_threshold=1024  
_sql_plan_directive_mgmt_control=0  
_use_single_log_writer=true
```

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Batch-update parameters

```
global.del_during_upgrade_pfile=/home/oracle/global_del_during.ora
global.add_during_upgrade_pfile=/home/oracle/global_add_during.ora
global.del_after_upgrade_pfile=/home/oracle/global_del_during.ora
global.add_after_upgrade_pfile=/home/oracle/global_add_after.ora

upg1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/12.2.0.1
upg1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19
upg1.sid=CDB1
upg1.add_after_upgrade_pfile=/home/oracle/upg1_add_after.ora

upg2.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/12.2.0.1
upg2.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19
upg2.sid=CDB2
upg2.add_after_upgrade_pfile=/home/oracle/upg2_add_after.ora
```

Example: **global_add_after.ora**

```
deferred_segment_creation=false
_cursor_obsolete_threshold=1024
_sql_plan_directive_mgmt_control=0
_use_single_log_writer=true
```

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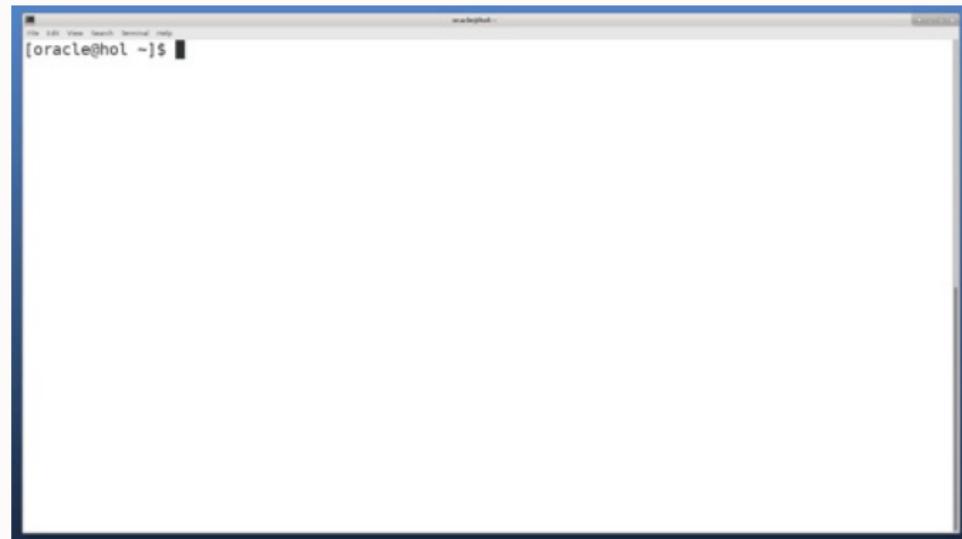
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Execute your own scripts as part of the upgrade

You can:

- Before and after upgrade
- Halt or continue on error
- For a single or every database

Ideas:

- Enterprise Manager configuration
- Backup configuration
- Interact with apps using the database

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Shell script execution

```
global.before_action=/database/scripts/set_blackout.sh  
  
upg1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/12.2.0.1  
upg1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19  
upg1.sid=CDB1  
upg1.after_action=/database/scripts/start_level0.sh
```

- Permitted extension options:
 - Unix shell (.sh)
 - Microsoft Windows batch (.bat, .cmd)
 - Microsoft Windows PowerShell (.ps1)

Pro tip: If you want script execution for all upgrades use `global.before_action` and `global.after_action`

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Shell script execution

Default - AutoUpgrade **does not react** on return code

```
upg1.before_action=/database/scripts/run_this_on_UPG1_before.sh
```

Optionally - AutoUpgrade **halts** on non-zero return code

```
upg1.before_action=/database/scripts/run_this_on_UPG1_before.sh Y
```

Pro tip: Script output is captured and stored
in *preupgrade* and *postupgrade* directory

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Environment variables:

- ORACLE_SID
- ORACLE_UNQNAME
- ORACLE_BASE
- ORACLE_HOME
- TNS_ADMIN

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Guaranteed Restore Points

```
upg1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/12.2.0.1
upg1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19
upg1.sid=CDB1
upg1.restoration=no
```

```
upg2.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/12.2.0.1
upg2.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19
upg2.sid=CDB2
upg2.drop_grp_after_upgrade=yes
```

- Default behavior:
 - AutoUpgrade creates GRP except for
 - Standard Edition 2
 - `restoration=no`
 - GRP will be kept
 - GRP needs to be removed manually except for
 - `drop_grp_after_upgrade=yes` will only remove it when upgrade completed successfully

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Underscore parameters and events

```
upg1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/12.2.0.1  
upg1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19  
upg1.sid=CDB1  
upg1.remove_underscore_parameters=yes
```

- Default behavior:
 - Underscores and events will be kept

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AutoUpgrade recompiles **invalid Oracle-maintained objects** after the upgrade

- To postpone the recompilation:

```
upgl.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/12.2.0.1
upgl.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19
upgl.sid=CDB1
upgl.run_utlrp=no
```

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During multitenant upgrades AutoUpgrade:

- Recompiles in many PDBs at the same time ($\text{CPU_COUNT}/3$)
- Recompilation in a PDB runs with three threads
- Recompilation is **very CPU intensive**

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```
$ sar -u 10 10
```

	CPU	%user	%nice	%system	%iowait	%steal	%idle
01:08:34 PM	all	95.09	0.00	2.18	0.01	0.00	2.72
01:08:44 PM	all	96.62	0.00	2.14	0.01	0.00	1.23
01:08:54 PM	all	96.75	0.00	2.30	0.03	0.00	0.92
01:09:04 PM	all	96.31	0.00	3.14	0.00	0.00	0.55
01:09:14 PM	all	95.72	0.03	4.07	0.00	0.00	0.18
01:09:24 PM	all	97.84	0.00	1.87	0.00	0.00	0.28
01:09:34 PM	all	97.12	0.00	2.06	0.01	0.00	0.81
01:09:44 PM	all	95.67	0.00	1.85	0.01	0.00	2.47
01:09:54 PM	all	95.39	0.00	2.95	0.01	0.00	1.65
01:10:04 PM	all	95.23	0.00	2.46	0.00	0.00	2.31
Average:	all	96.17	0.00	2.50	0.01	0.00	1.31

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Two new *tune settings* to control recompilation

- `utlrp_pdb_in_parallel`
- `utlrp_threads_per_pdb`

Example:

```
upgl.tune_setting=utlrp_pdb_in_parallel=3,utlrp_threads_per_pdb=4
```

AutoUpgrade will recompile:

- Three PDBs at a time
- Use four threads per PDB

CPU consumption will use a maximum of 12 cores

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Skip time zone upgrade

```
upg1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/12.2.0.1  
upg1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19  
upg1.sid=CDB1  
upg1.timezone_upg=no
```

- Default behavior:
 - Time zone adjustment happens post upgrade
 - Database will be restarted several times
 - Important when you use "Downgrade" as fallback strategy as time zone can't be downgraded

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CDB

```
upg1.catctl_options=-n 64 -N 8
```

-n	Total number of parallel processes (min 4, max unlimited, default CPU_COUNT)
-N	Number of parallel processes per PDB (min 1, max 8, default 2)

Concurrent PDB upgrades: n / N

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Current Upgrade Status					
jobId	DbName	Stage	Operation	Status	Details
102	FTEX	DBUPGRADE	EXECUTING	RUNNING	[Upgrading] is [88%] completed for [ftex] +-----+ CONTAINER PERCENTAGE +-----+ FTEX UPGRADE [88%] +-----+
103	DB12	DBUPGRADE	EXECUTING	RUNNING	[Upgrading] is [49%] completed for [db12] +-----+ CONTAINER PERCENTAGE +-----+ DB12 UPGRADE [49%] +-----+

Monitor via browser:

`<au_global_log_dir>/cfgtoollogs/upgrade/auto/state.html`

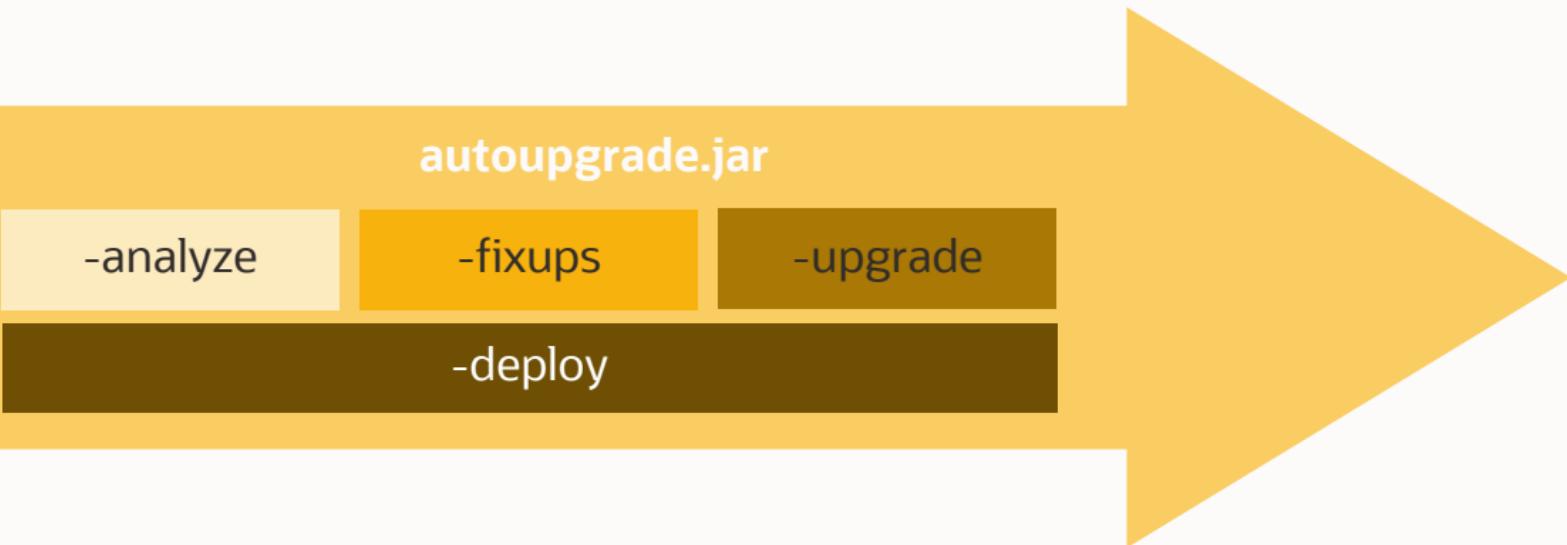
Refreshes automatically

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Current Upgrade Status					
jobId	DbName	Stage	Operation	Status	Details
102	CDB1	DBUPGRADE	EXECUTING	RUNNING	[Upgrading] is [6%] completed for [cdb1-sales] +-----+-----+ CONTAINER PERCENTAGE +-----+-----+ SALES UPGRADE [6%] PDB2 UPGRADE [6%] +-----+-----+
103	DB12	DBUPGRADE	EXECUTING	RUNNING	[Upgrading] is [8%] completed for [db12] +-----+-----+ CONTAINER PERCENTAGE +-----+-----+ DB12 UPGRADE [8%] +-----+-----+

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AutoUpgrade | 4 Operation Modes



AutoUpgrade | Best Practice



autoupgrade.jar

-analyze

-deploy

```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config config.cfg -mode analyze
```

```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config config.cfg -mode deploy
```

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autoupgrade.jar

-analyze

-fixups

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```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config config.cfg -mode analyze  
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config config.cfg -mode fixups  
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config config.cfg -mode upgrade
```

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Analyze



Analyze



Fixups



Upgrade

```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -mode analyze
```

```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -mode deploy
```

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Fixups



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```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -mode analyze  
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -mode fixups  
  
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -mode upgrade
```

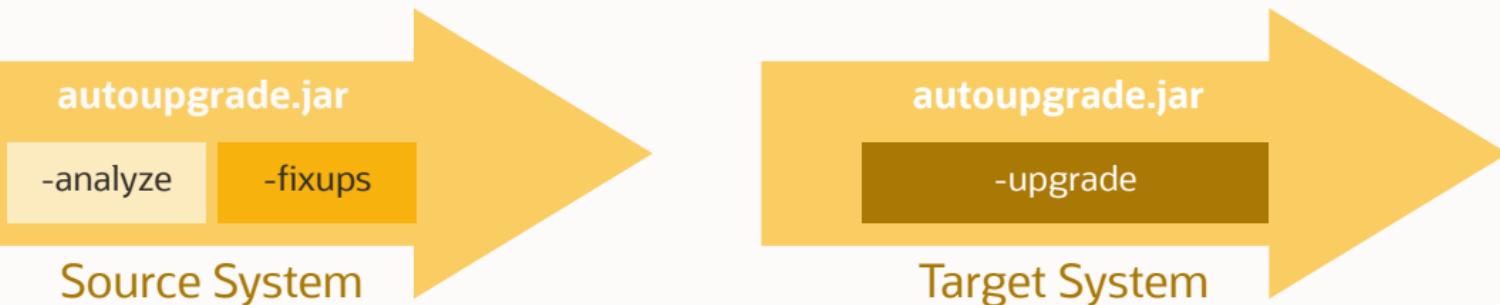
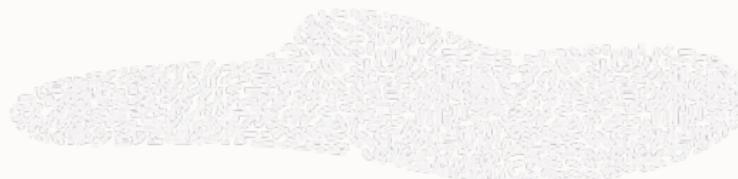
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Between fixups and downtime there is a risk that new, undetected issues are introduced

Pro tip: [Blog post](#) with more details

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```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config config.cfg -mode analyze
```

```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config config.cfg -mode fixups
```

```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config config.cfg -mode upgrade
```

AutoUpgrade | Job Console

- Most important commands

```
upg>
```

```
lsj          // List jobs
resume -job <number> // Restarts a job
status -job <number> // Show job status
restore -job <number> // Restores database from GRP
abort -job <number> // Aborts the specified job
```

AutoUpgrade | Log File Structure

- Logs written in TEXT and JSON format
 - /cfgtoollogs
 - ./upgrade/auto ◀ Status Log
 - /database_1
 - ./job_number
 - ./prechecks ◀ HTML Report
 - ./preupgrade
 - ./prefixups
 - ./drain
 - ./dbupgrade ◀ Upgrade Logs
 - ./postupgrade
 - ./temp
 - /database_2
 - ...

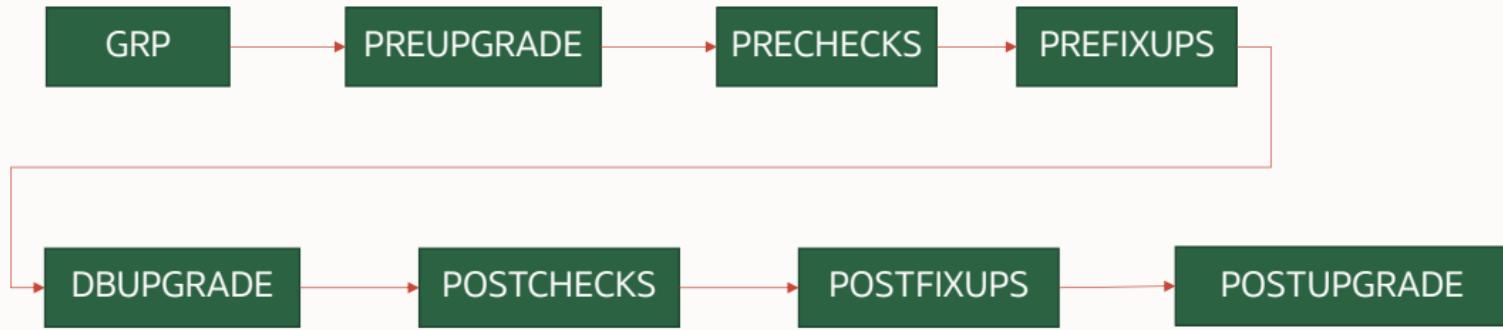


Proactive Fixups result in
faster upgrades of CDBs with many PDBs

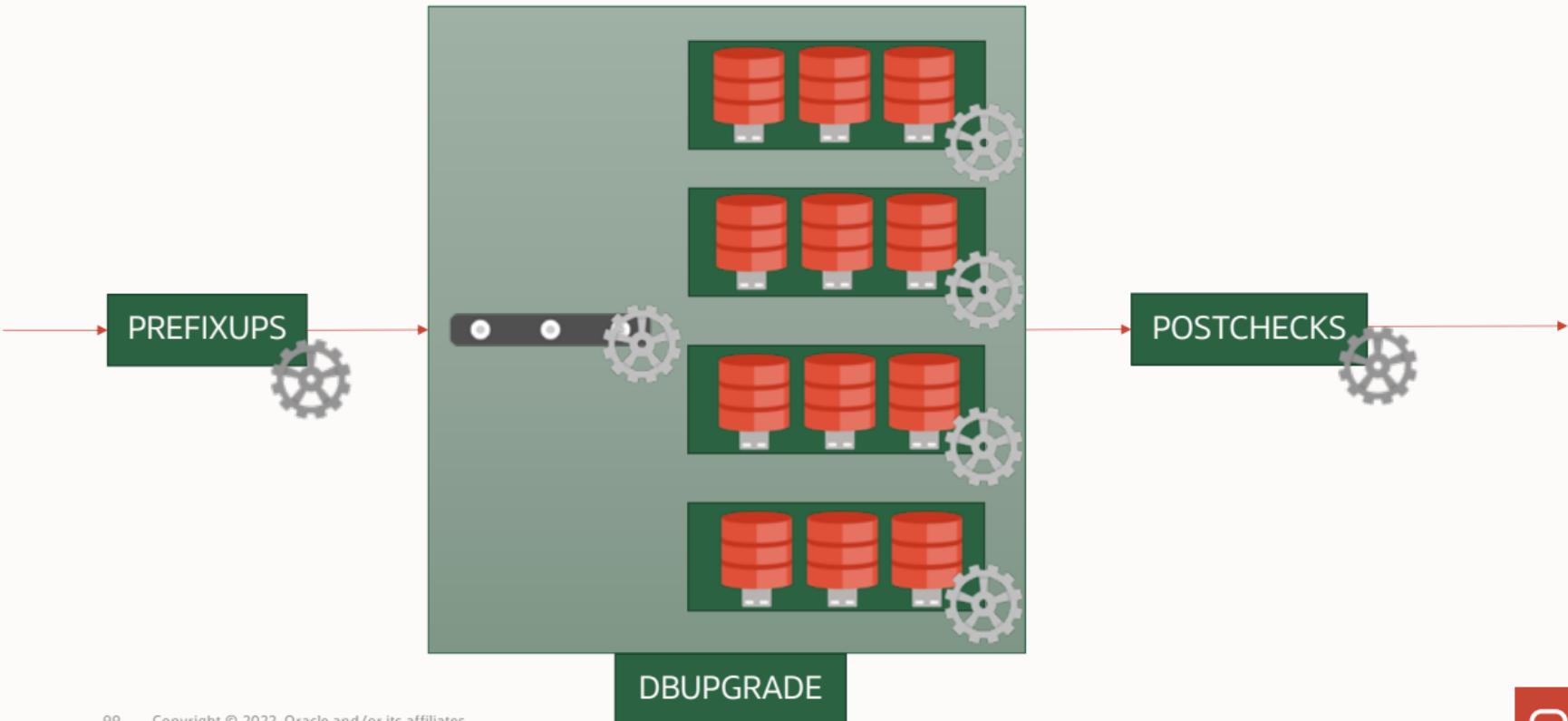
Proactive Fixups | **What is it?**

- Performance feature
- Changes only the order of the tasks of AutoUpgrade workflow
- Isolates errors in PDBs
- Valid for CDB upgrades only

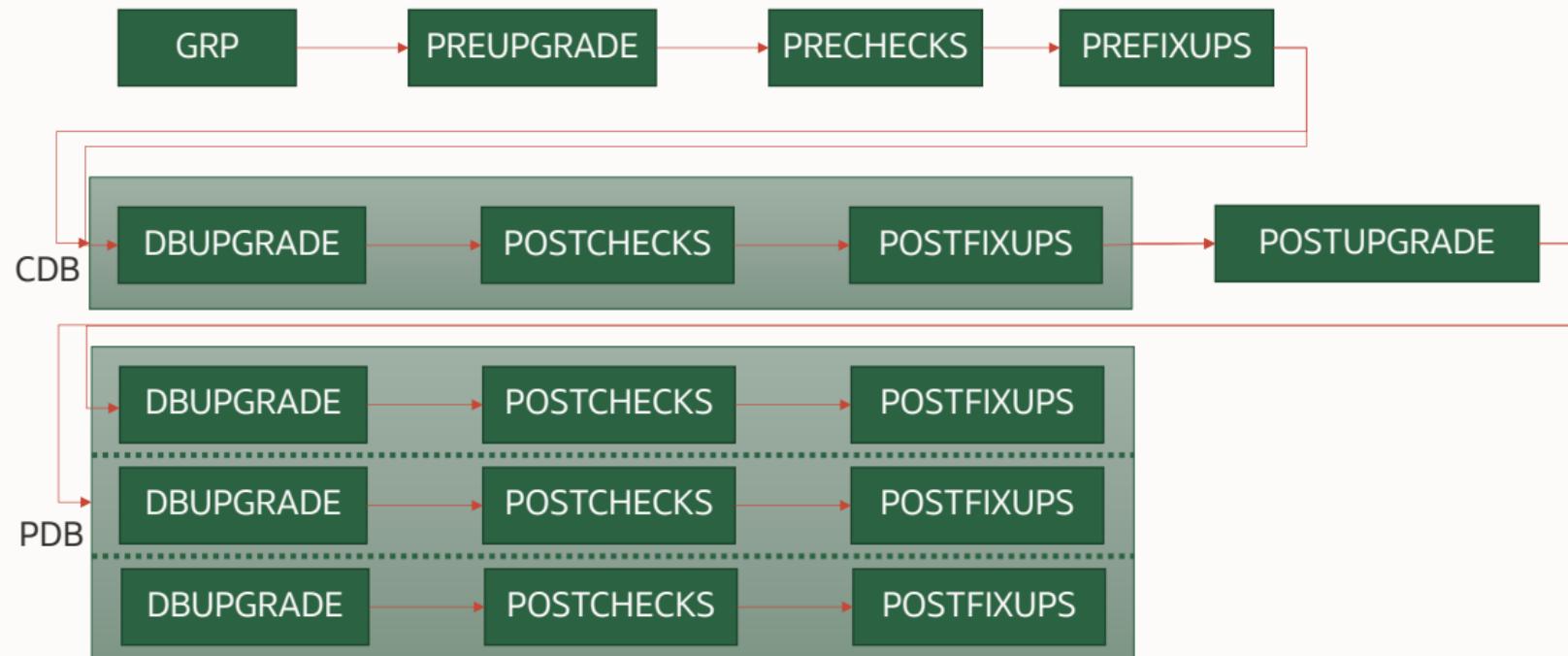
Proactive Fixups | **Classic Flow**



Proactive Fixups | **Classic Flow**

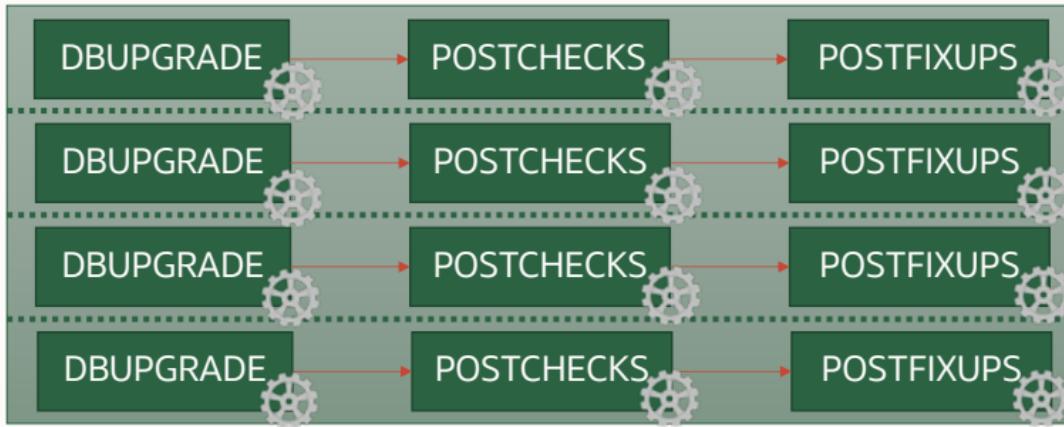


Proactive Fixups | New Flow



Proactive Fixups | New Flow

PDBSUPG STAGE



Proactive Fixups | New Flow

PDBSUPG STAGE

Stage-Progress Per Container

Database	Stage	Progress
PDB\$SEED	DBUPGRADE	91 %
PDB01	POSTFIXUPS	0 %
PDB02	DBUPGRADE	20 %
PDB03	POSTFIXUPS	25 %
PDB04	POSTFIXUPS	75 %
PDB05	POSTFIXUPS	10 %
PDB06	DBUPGRADE	6 %
PDB07	DBUPGRADE	91 %
PDB08	DBUPGRADE	91 %
PDB09	DBUPGRADE	91 %

Proactive Fixups | Gain

4 PDBs + ROOT | 4 Cores

Default

INFO	PREUPGRADE	<1 min
INFO	PRECHECKS	1 min
INFO	PREFIXUPS	8 min
INFO	DRAIN	<1 min
INFO	DBUPGRADE	143 min
INFO	POSTCHECKS	2 min
INFO	POSTFIXUPS	34 min
INFO	POSTUPGRADE	1 min

TOTAL 179 min

Proactive Fixups

INFO	PREUPGRADE	<1 min
INFO	PRECHECKS	1 min
INFO	PREFIXUPS	7 min
INFO	DRAIN	<1 min
INFO	DBUPGRADE	130 min
INFO	POSTCHECKS	<1 min
INFO	POSTFIXUPS	<1 min
INFO	POSTUPGRADE	1 min

TOTAL 130 min

Proactive Fixups | Gain

16 PDBs + ROOT | 8 Cores | Defaults

Default

INFO	PREUPGRADE	<1 min
INFO	PRECHECKS	<1 min
INFO	PREFIXUPS	<1 min
INFO	DRAIN	2 min
INFO	DBUPGRADE	210 min
INFO	POSTCHECKS	3 min
INFO	POSTFIXUPS	46 min
INFO	POSTUPGRADE	<1 min

TOTAL 259 min

Proactive Fixups

	INFO	PREUPGRADE	<1 min
	INFO	PRECHECKS	<1 min
	INFO	PREFIXUPS	14 min
	INFO	DRAIN	2 min
	INFO	DBUPGRADE	195 min
	INFO	POSTCHECKS	<1 min
	INFO	POSTFIXUPS	<1 min
	INFO	POSTUPGRADE	1 min

TOTAL 195 min



The more PDBs, the greater the benefit



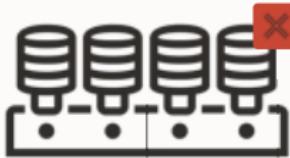
Control the order of the PDBs
using config file entry `pdb$`



Proactive Fixups isolates each PDB
Errors in a PDB does not affect others

Proactive Fixups | Isolation

DEFAULT



Error in a PDB upgrade:

- Entire job halts
- Job can't complete

PROACTIVE FIXUPS



Error in a PDB upgrade:

- Other upgrades continue
- Job completes

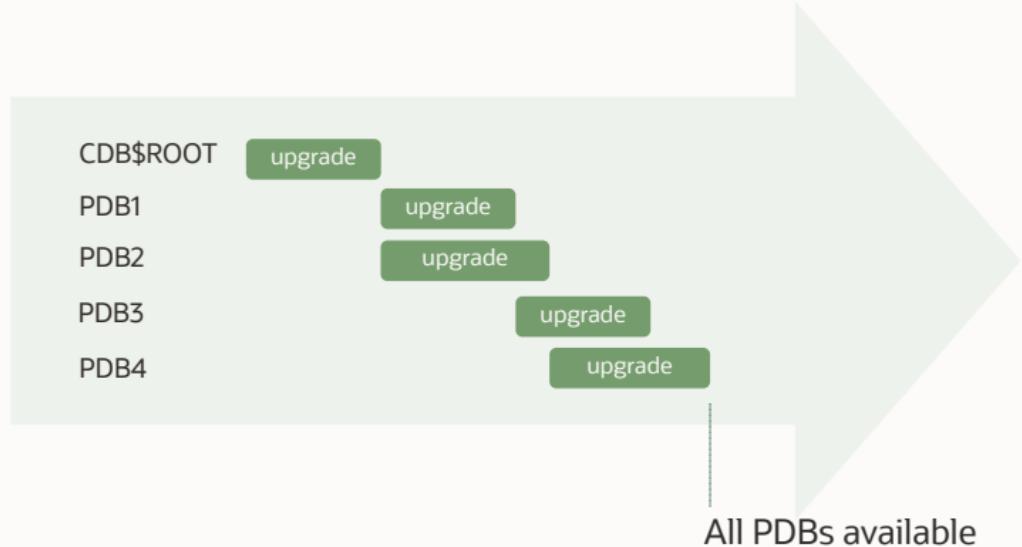


Restore point protects on CDB level only
Only entire CDB can be flashed back

Proactive Fixups | Availability

DEFAULT

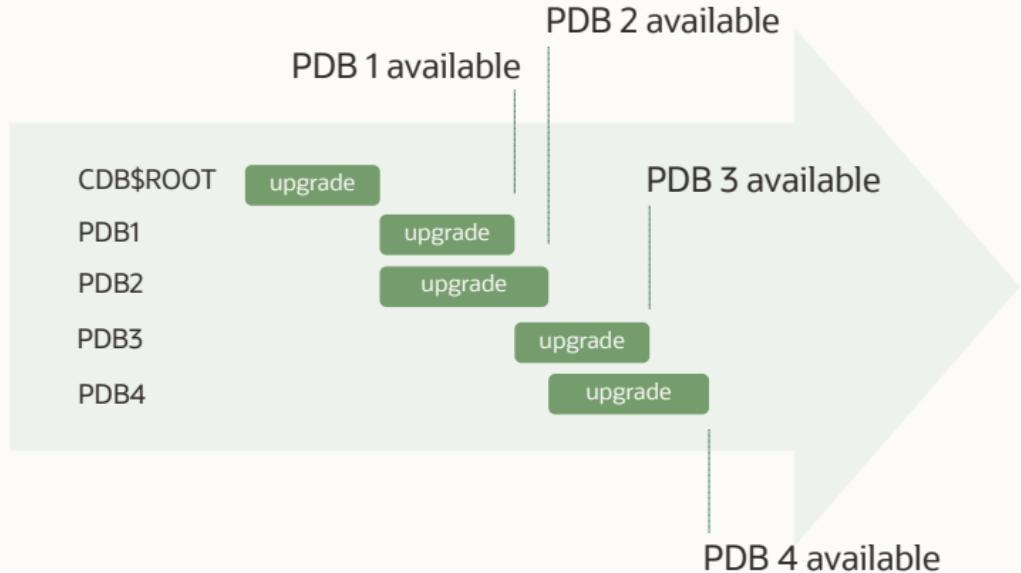
make_pdbs_available=false



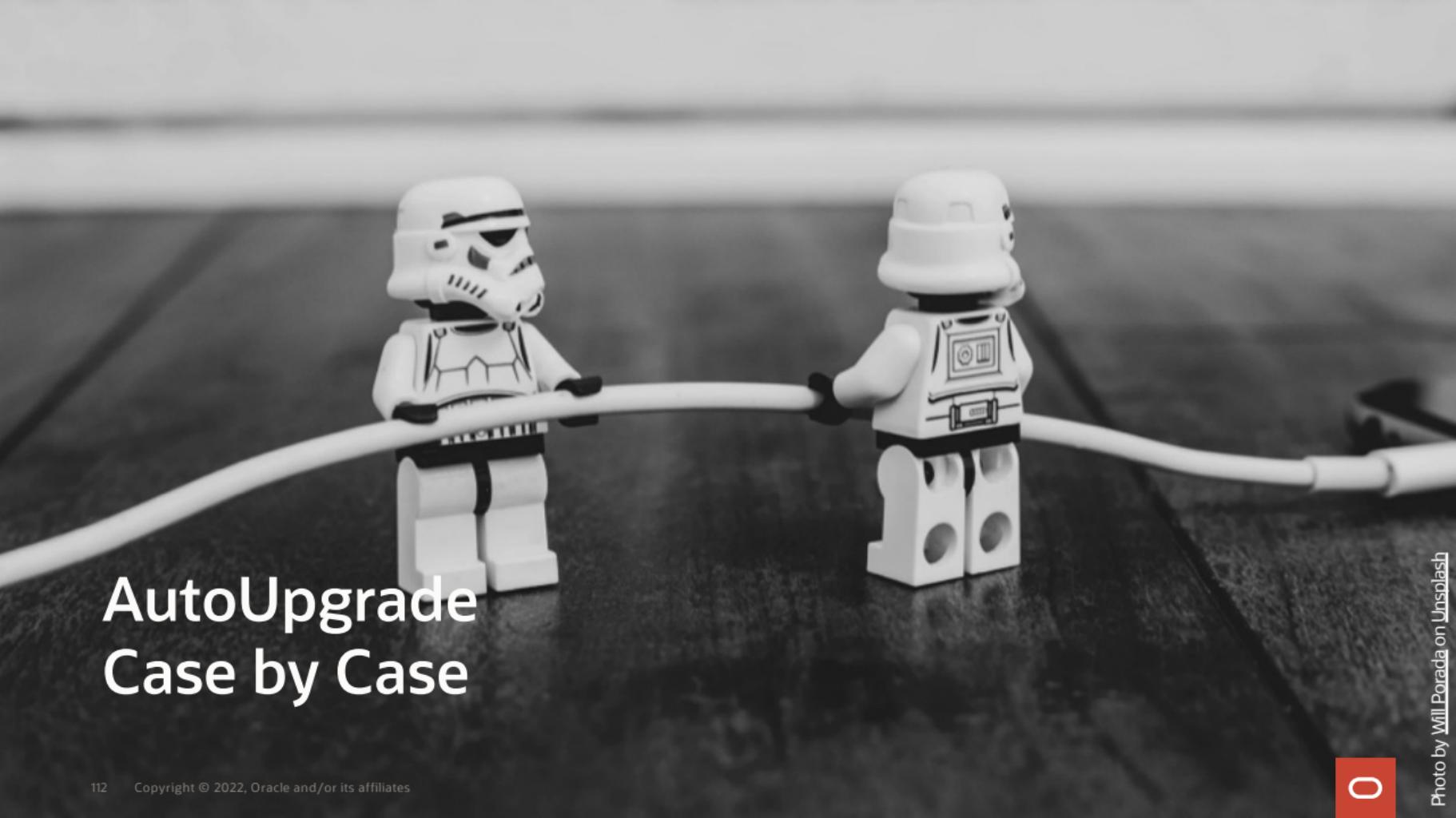
Proactive Fixups | Availability

**IMMEDIATELY
AVAILABLE**

`make_pdbs_available=true`



AutoUpgrade Case by Case



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Patching



We made upgrading easy.
Now we make patching just as easy.

AutoUpgrade functionality extended to patching

1

Install Oracle Home
including Release Update
and additional patches
(MOS Doc ID 555.1)

2

Create a simple
configuration file

3

Start AutoUpgrade
in deploy mode

```
$ cat DB19.cfg
```

```
patch1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19.0.0.0/dbhome_19_15_0
patch1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19.0.0.0/dbhome_19_16_0
patch1.sid=DB19
```

```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config DB19.cfg -mode deploy
```



USE

Familiar interface
Console
Logging



ANALYZE

Prechecks
Summary report



PROTECT

Resumable
Restoration
Restore point
Fallback



AUTOMATE

srvctl
/etc/oratab
Files
Datapatch

Patching



Encryption

Hot clone

Refreshable clone

RAC

Proactive fixups

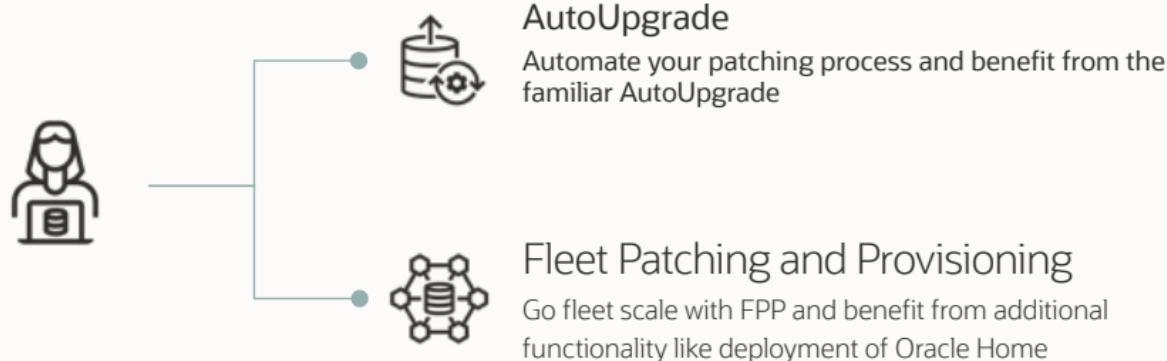
Distributed upgrade

...

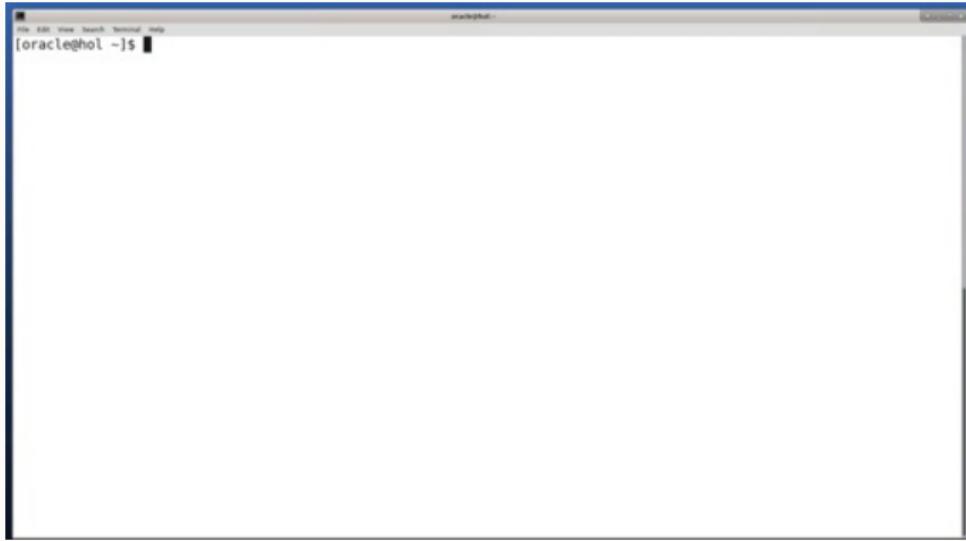
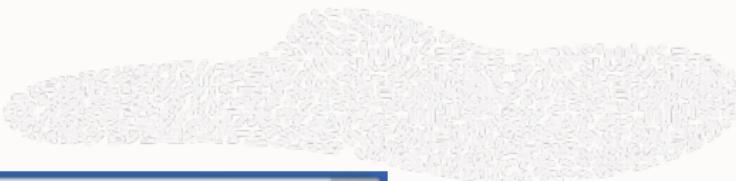


What's missing

Windows
RAC rolling
Data Guard standby-first



Patching from 19.14.0 to 19.16.0



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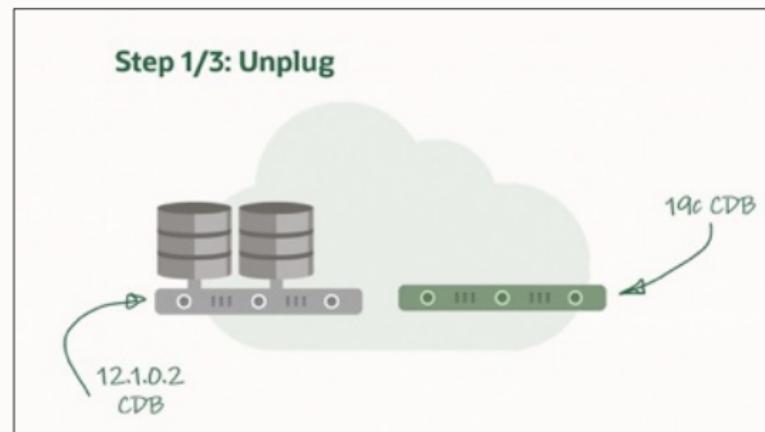
Unplug / Plug / Upgrade

AutoUpgrade | Unplug-plug Upgrade



Upgrade a single PDB

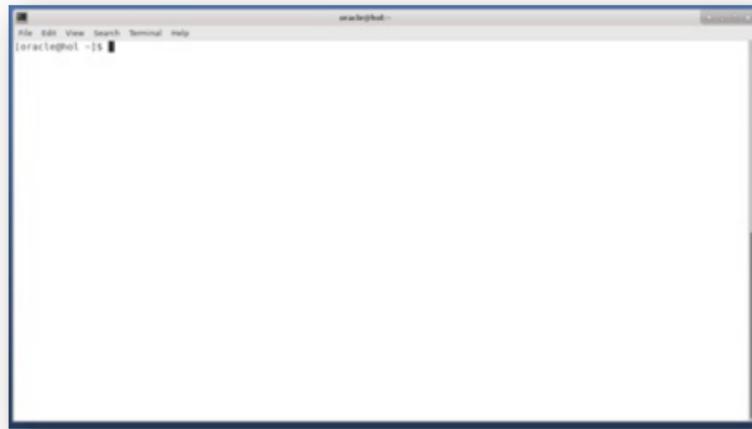
- Faster
- More flexible
- Requires compatible target CDB
- Not compatible with Flashback Database
 - Consider using Refreshable PDBs
 - Copy data files (`target_pdb_copy_option`)



AutoUpgrade | Unplug-plug Upgrade



```
upgl.sid=CDB12102
upgl.target_cdb=CDB19
upgl.pdb$=pdb1
upgl.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/12102
upgl.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19
```



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AutoUpgrade | Unplug-plug Upgrade

Upgrade several PDBs

```
upg1.pdbs=pdb1,pdb2,pdb3
```

Rename a PDB

```
upg1.pdbs=pdb1
upg1.target_pdb_name.pdb1=sales
```

Copy data files on plug-in

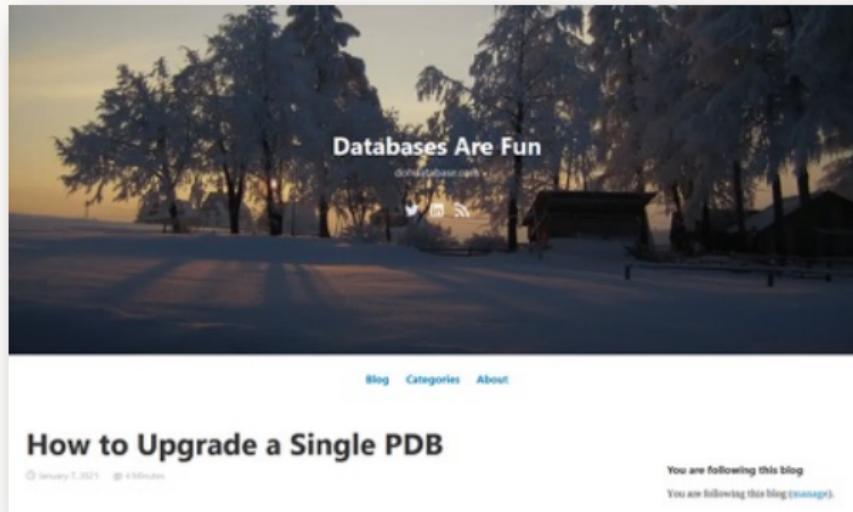
```
upg1.pdbs=pdb1
upg1.target_pdb_copy_option.pdb1=file_name_convert('pdb1','sales')
```

AutoUpgrade | Unplug-plug Upgrade

Current limitations:

- Does not support Data Guard
- Does not support TDE Tablespace Encryption

AutoUpgrade | Unplug-plug Upgrade



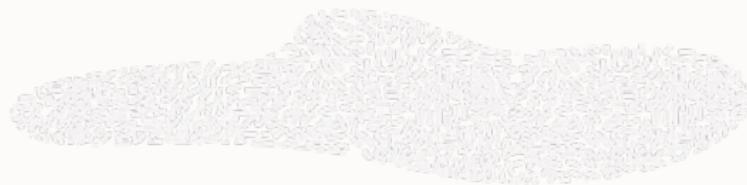
<https://dohdatabase.com/how-to-upgrade-a-single-pdb>



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AutoUpgrade to a New Server

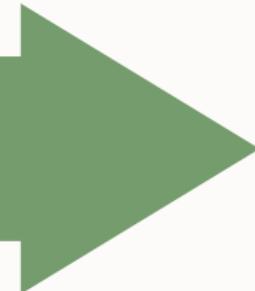
Upgrade to a new server | Overview



Source System

autoupgrade.jar

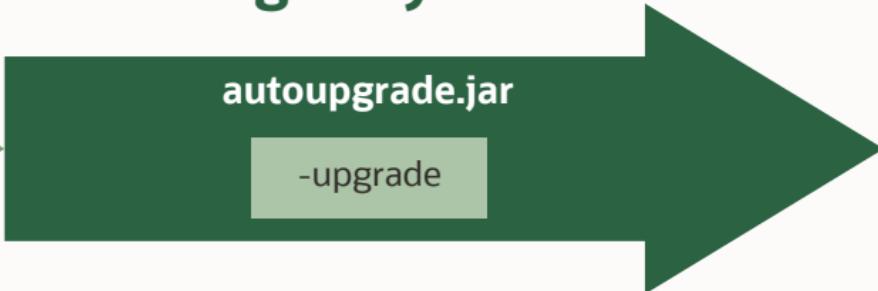
-analyze -fixups



Target System

autoupgrade.jar

-upgrade

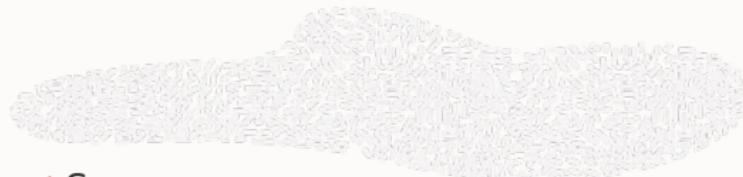


```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -mode analyze ...
```

```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -mode fixups ...
```

```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -mode upgrade ...
```

Upgrade to a new server | Details



Source Server

```
upg1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/12  
upg1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19  
upg1.sid=DB12
```

- -mode analyze
- -mode fixups
- shutdown immediate

Copy database including redo logs, control files, SPFILE, password file

Target Server

- Update /etc/oratab
- Prepare ?/network/admin files

STARTUP UPGRADE

```
upg1.source_home=/tmp  
upg1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19  
upg1.sid=DB12
```

- -mode upgrade

Pro tip: Find more details in blog post
[Oracle AutoUpgrade between two servers](#)

Upgrade to a new server | Demo



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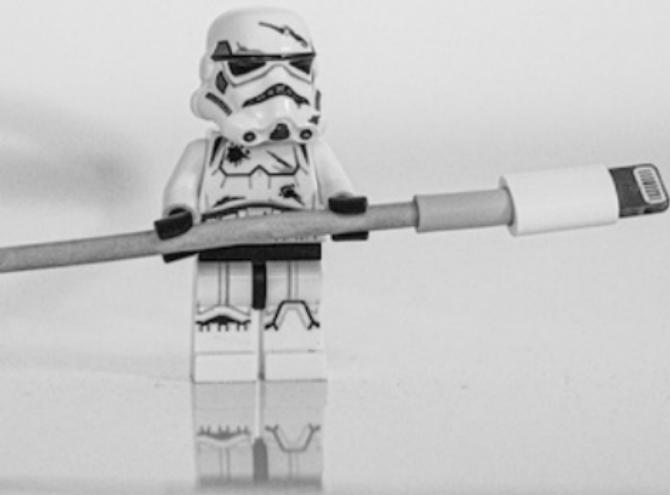


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Plugin-Only with AutoUpgrade

AutoUpgrade | Plugin AFTER Upgrade

Plug in non-CDB into an existing CDB **without** upgrading

- Non-CDB is upgraded already
- Config file

```
upg1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19
upg1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19
upg1.sid=DB12
upg1.target_cdb=CDB2
```

- AutoUpgrade

```
java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config DB12NEW.cfg -mode deploy
```

- Oracle AutoUpgrade between two servers – and Plugin?

PDB Convert | Re-use data files

Fully automated plug-in, **re-use** data files

```
upg1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19
upg1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19
upg1.sid=DB19
upg1.target_cdb=CDB2
```

Command

```
java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config DB19.cfg -mode deploy
```

PDB Convert | **Copy data files**

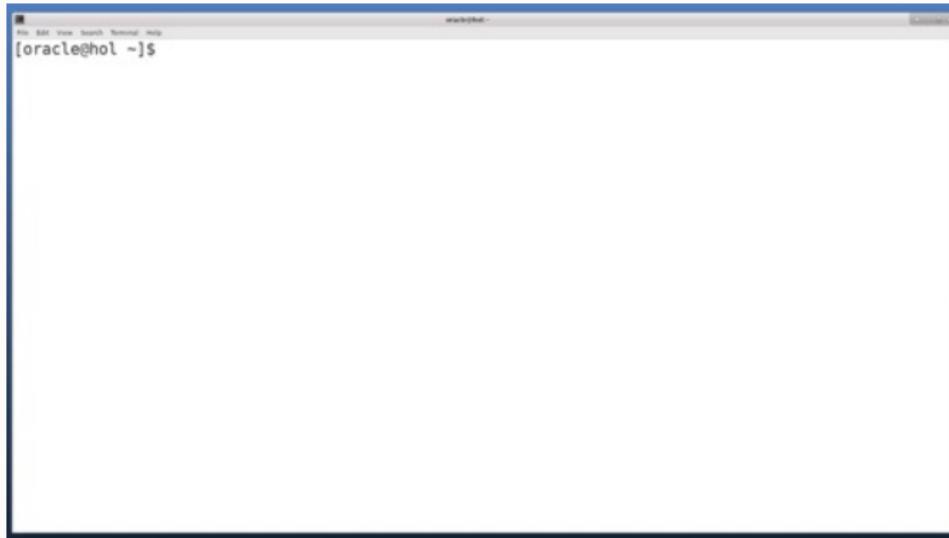
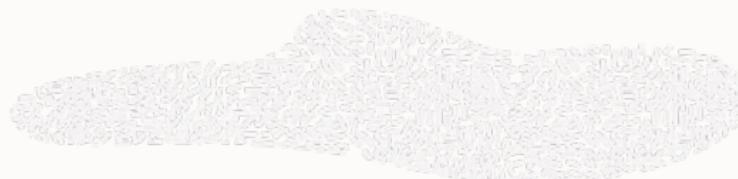
Fully automated plug-in, **copy** data files

```
upg1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19
upg1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19
upg1.sid=DB19
upg1.target_cdb=CDB2
upg1.target_pdb_name=SALES
#Copy files and perform search/replace on file names
upg1.target_pdb_copy_option=file_name_convert=('DB19','SALES')
#Copy files and generate new OMF file names
upg1.target_pdb_copy_option=file_name_convert=none
```

Command

```
Java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config DB19.cfg -mode deploy
```

PDB Convert | Demo



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AutoUpgrade with Data Guard



AutoUpgrade supports upgrading databases that are part of a Data Guard configuration

AutoUpgrade | Data Guard

- Detected by AutoUpgrade **automatically**
- Works for **broker-managed and manual** Data Guard environments
- Primary database handled by AutoUpgrade
Standby database handled manually





Redo is applied on standby databases continuously during upgrade

- Complies with MAA recommendations

Data Guard | Comparison

BEFORE

`defer_standby_log_shipping=yes`

Maximum protection

Upgrade team recommendation

Redo log transport deferred

Redo apply stopped

Protected by disconnected standby
and guaranteed restore point

AFTER

`defer_standby_log_shipping=no`

Minimum downtime

MAA recommendation

Redo log transport enabled

Redo apply active

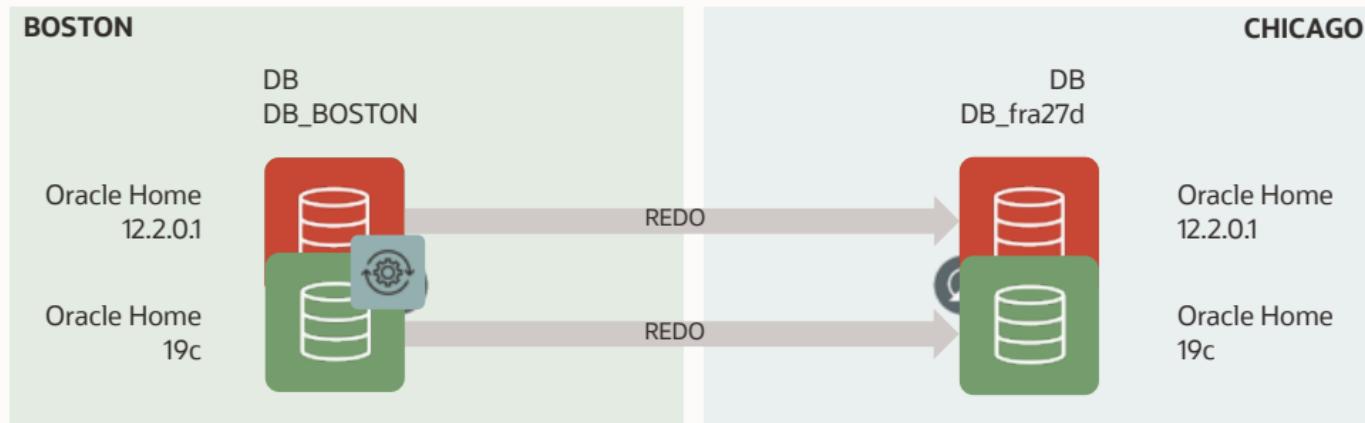
Protected by guaranteed restore point

DEFAULT



When upgrading to Oracle Database 19c
keep Data Guard broker running

Data Guard | Concept



```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar ... -mode deploy
```

- Restore point
- Start in new Oracle Home
- Upgrade

```
$ srvctl stop database -d $ORACLE_UNQNAME
```

```
$ #switch to new Oracle Home  
$ srvctl upgrade database -d $ORACLE_UNQNAME  
$ srvctl start database -d $ORACLE_UNQNAME \  
  -startoption mount
```

Data Guard | **Demo**

```
[oracle@boston ~]$
```

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Data Guard | Deferring Log Transport

A word of advice:

If `defer_standby_log_shipping=yes`,
all remote log archive destinations are deferred



A log archive destination can be used for:

- Standby databases
- GoldenGate downstream capture
- Per PDB Data Guard
- ZDLRA real-time redo transport



When a CDB with Data Guard receives a new PDB,
special attention is needed



PDB data files must be in exact same location on primary and standby database, otherwise, MRP process will crash

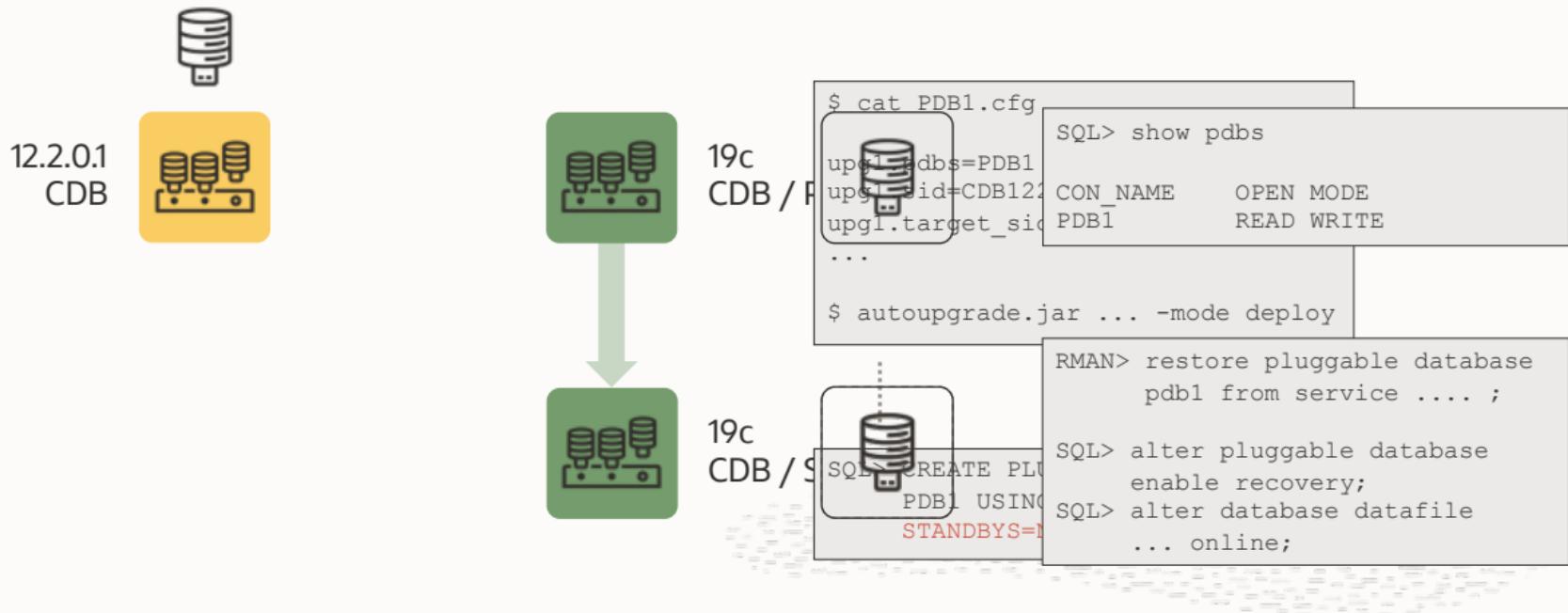


New AutoUpgrade config file parameter
manage_standbys_clause **defaults to** NONE



AutoUpgrade will create PDBs using
STANDBYS=NONE clause

Data Guard | Plug-in on standby



Data Guard | **Plug-in on standby**

For:

- Non-CDB to PDB conversion
- Unplug-plug upgrade



PDB is available on primary database only

- For a period, PDB is not protected by Data Guard
- Restore and recover data files to standby database
- [Making Use Deferred PDB Recovery and the STANDBYS=NONE Feature with Oracle Multitenant \(Doc ID 1916648.1\)](#)



You can re-use the PDB data files on the standby database, but special attention is needed

- Use AutoUpgrade config file parameter `manage_standbys_clause=all`

Data Guard | Re-use data files

To re-use data files and keep standby database intact

- Including making PDB available on standby database immediately

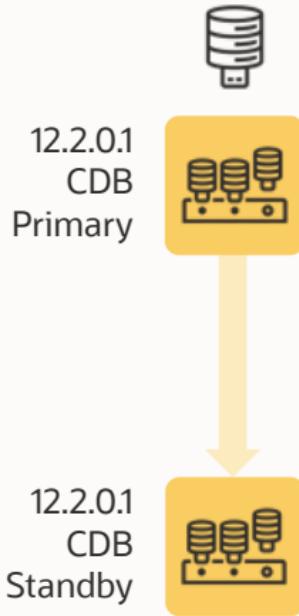
Special care is required

- Data files on standby database must be in exact same location as on primary database

For ASM and OMF:

- [Reusing the Source Standby Database Files When Plugging a non-CDB as a PDB into the Primary Database of a Data Guard Configuration \(Doc ID 2273304.1\)](#)

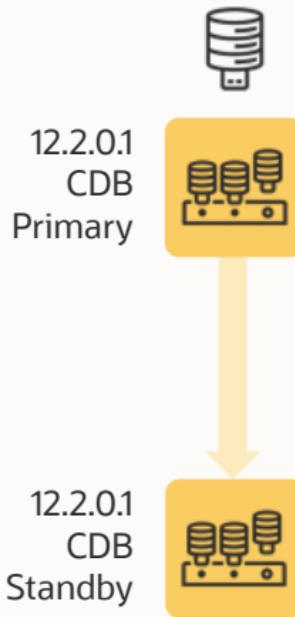
Data Guard | Re-use data files



```
SQL> select name from v$datafile where con_id=3;  
  
NAME  
-----  
+DATA/DB_BOSTON/DD934E8207292138E053E801000A8351/DATAFILE/system.269.1103046537  
+DATA/DB_BOSTON/DD934E8207292138E053E801000A8351/DATAFILE/sysaux.270.1103046537  
+DATA/DB_BOSTON/DD934E8207292138E053E801000A8351/DATAFILE/undotbs1.268.1103046537  
+DATA/DB_BOSTON/DD934E8207292138E053E801000A8351/DATAFILE/users.273.1103046827
```

```
SQL> select name from v$datafile where con_id=3;  
  
NAME  
-----  
+DATA/DB_FRA27D/DD934E8207292138E053E801000A8351/DATAFILE/system.265.1103050007  
+DATA/DB_FRA27D/DD934E8207292138E053E801000A8351/DATAFILE/sysaux.266.1103050007  
+DATA/DB_FRA27D/DD934E8207292138E053E801000A8351/DATAFILE/undotbs1.267.1103050009  
+DATA/DB_FRA27D/DD934E8207292138E053E801000A8351/DATAFILE/users.269.1103050009
```

Data Guard | Re-use data files



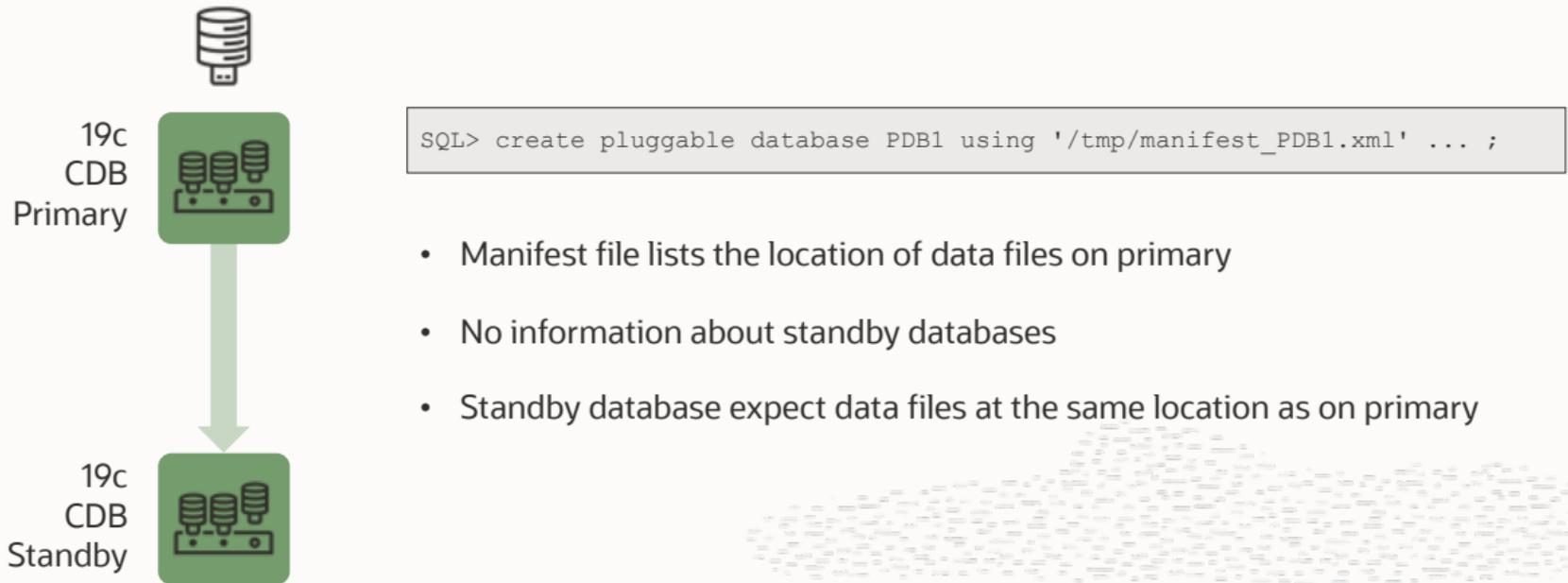
The manifest file contains

SQL> 11gR2> CREATE PDB manifest; ORA-12545: unable to open PDB 'PDB1' and plug into '/tmp/manifest_PDB1.xml';

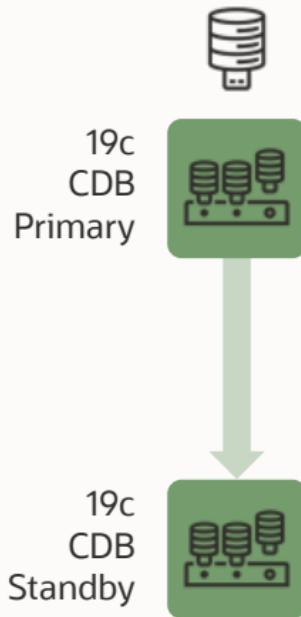
- Not standby database

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<PDB>
  <xmlversion>1</xmlversion>
  <pdbname>PDB1</pdbname>
  ...
  <guid>DDB49CFEFD8ED4FCE053E801000A078C</guid>
  ...
  <tablespace>
    <name>USERS</name>
    ...
    <file>
      ...
      <path>+DATA/DB_BOSTON/DD934E8207292138E053E801000A8351/DATAFILE/users.273.1
103046827</path>
```

Data Guard | Re-use data files



Data Guard | Re-use data files

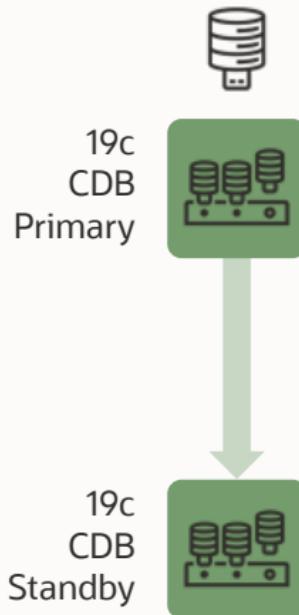


I will just move the files in ASM!

```
ASMCMD> cp users.269.1103050009 +DATA/DB_BOSTON/.../users.273.1103046827  
  
ASMCMD-8016: copy source '+DATA/DB_FRA27D/.../users.269.1103050009' and  
target '+DATA/DB_BOSTON/.../users.273.1103046827' failed  
ORA-15056: additional error message  
ORA-15046: ASM file name 'users.273.1103046827' is not in single-file  
creation form  
ORA-06512: at "SYS.X$DBMS_DISKGROUP", line 617  
ORA-06512: at line 3 (DBD ERROR: OCIStmtExecute)
```

Only a database can produce files with ASM/OMF data file names

Data Guard | Re-use data files



ASM **alias** to the rescue!

- On standby, create aliases for the primary data files

```
ASMCMD> alter diskgroup data add alias '...' for '...' ;
```

- Plug in PDB, standby will find aliases and find the real file locations
From alert log

```
Recovery scanning directory +DATA/DB_BOSTON/... for any matching files
Deleted Oracle managed file +DATA/DB_BOSTON/...
Successfully added datafile 37 to media recovery
Datafile #37: +DATA/DB_FRA27D/.../DATAFILE/users.269.1103050009'
```



Don't jeopardize your Data Guard!
Test the procedure and
verify your environment afterwards

AutoUpgrade | Data Guard

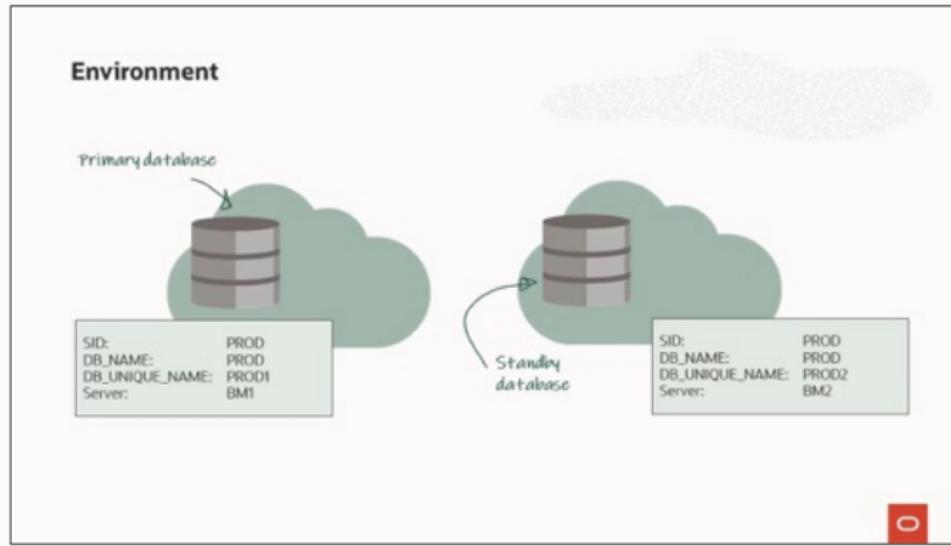




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AutoUpgrade and RAC

UPGRADE RAC DATABASE

1

UPGRADE GRID INFRASTRUCTURE

- Not covered by AutoUpgrade
- Recommended to upgrade one week in advance

2

UPGRADE DATABASE

- Upgrade with AutoUpgrade
- Everything handled by AutoUpgrade

AutoUpgrade | RAC



WHAT IS REQUIRED?

- Linux or Unix-based system
- Registered and managed through `srvctl`
- SPFile in ASM

WHAT DO YOU GET?

- Fully managed upgrade
- Supports RAC and RAC One Node
- No extra configuration
- Just connect to one node and AutoUpgrade takes care of the rest
 - `CLUSTER_DATABASE=FALSE`
 - `srvctl` configuration



It is recommended to keep Grid Infrastructure and database patch level in sync

Pro tip: Additional details can be found in [blog post](#)

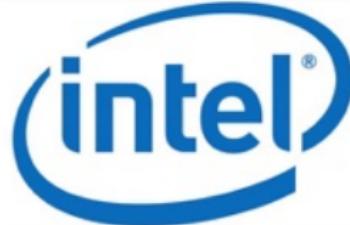
Intel upgrades mission critical database to Oracle 19c & improves application performance with Oracle RAC

July 6, 2022 | 4 minute read



Anil Nair

Product Manager



[blogs.oracle.com](https://blogs.oracle.com/intel-upgrades-mission-critical-database-to-oracle-19c-improves-application-performance-with-oracle-rac)

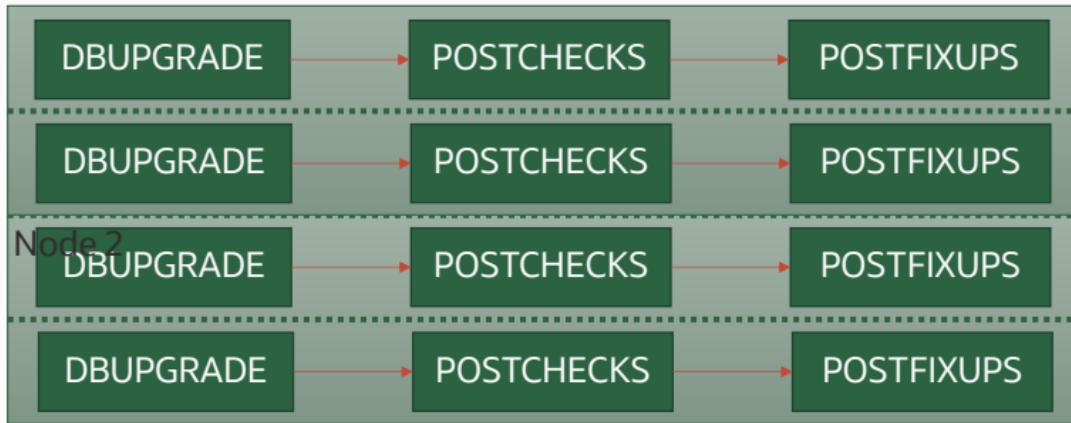


Distributed upgrade uses all nodes in a cluster resulting in faster upgrades of CDBs

- Applies to RAC only
- Requires Proactive Fixups

Distributed Upgrade | Concept

Node 1



Distributed Upgrade | **What is it?**

- Performance feature
- Valid for CDB upgrades on RAC only
- First, CDB\$ROOT upgrades on local node

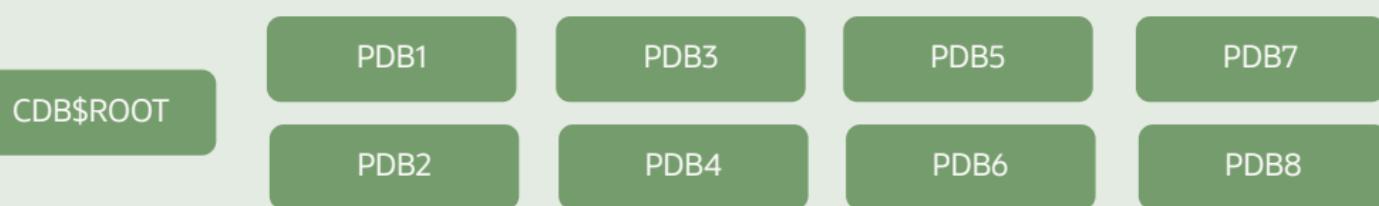
`CLUSTER_DATABASE=FALSE`

- Then, leverage resources on all nodes to upgrade PDBs

`CLUSTER_DATABASE=TRUE`

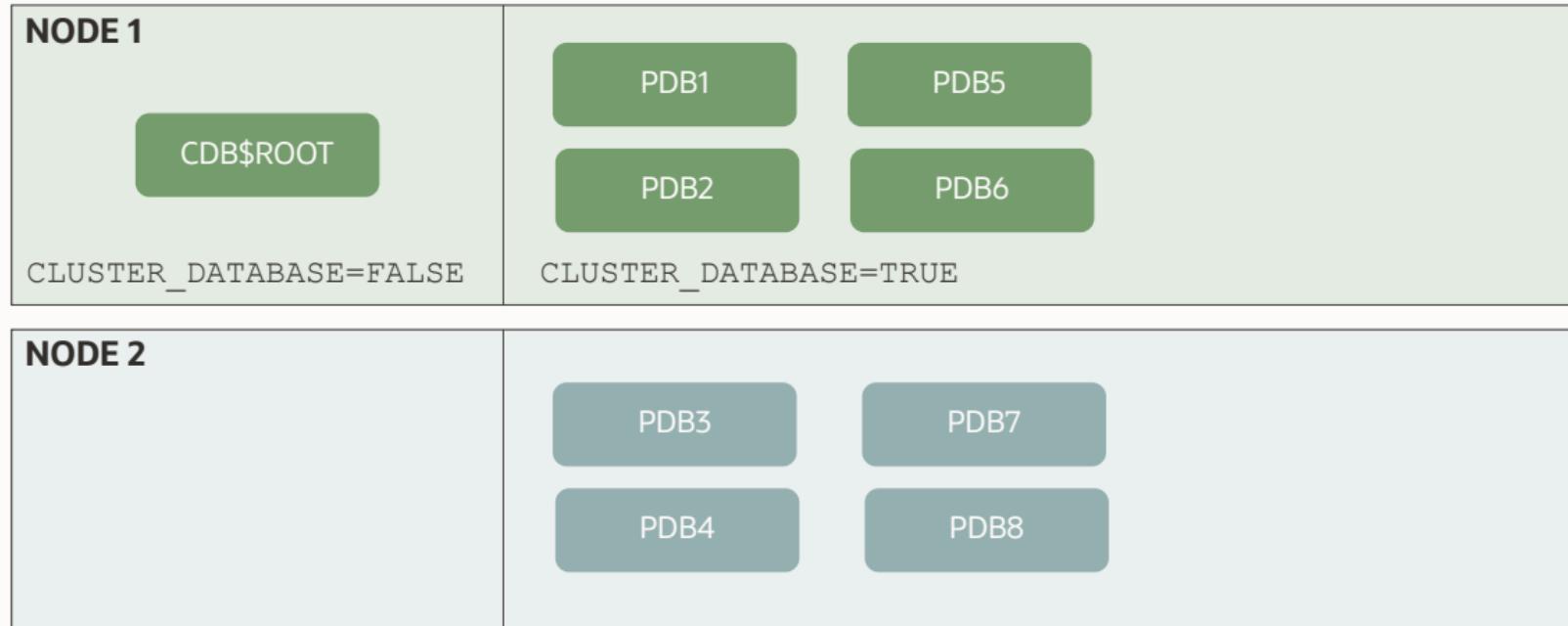
Distributed Upgrade | **Before**

NODE 1



NODE 2

Distributed Upgrade | After



Distributed Upgrade | Console Message

Stage-Progress Per Container

Database	Stage	Progress	Node
PDB\$SEED	DBUPGRADE	91 %	au1
PDB01	POSTFIXUPS	0 %	au1
PDB03	POSTFIXUPS	0 %	au1
PDB04	POSTFIXUPS	0 %	au1
PDB05	POSTFIXUPS	0 %	au1
PDB02	DBUPGRADE	91 %	au2
PDB06	DBUPGRADE	91 %	au2
PDB07	DBUPGRADE	91 %	au2
PDB08	DBUPGRADE	91 %	au2
PDB09	DBUPGRADE	91 %	au2

Distributed Upgrade | Use

To enable distributed upgrade:

```
$ cat RACDB.cfg

global.autoapg_log_dir=/u01/app/oracle/cfgtoollogs/autoupgrade
upg1.log_dir=/u01/app/oracle/cfgtoollogs/autoupgrade/ RACDB
upg1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/12.2.0.1
upg1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19
upg1.sid=RACDB
upg1.tune_setting=distributed_upgrade=true

$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config RACDB.cfg -mode deploy
```

Distributed Upgrade | Use

Under the hood

1. AutoUpgrade creates a special config file
2. AutoUpgrade spawns itself on all nodes

```
global.autoapg_log_dir=/u01/app/oracle/cfgtoollogs/...
# Databases section
# Database Batch 1
batch1.sid=RACDB1
batch1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/12.2.0.1
batch1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19
batch1.upgrade_node=boston1
batch1.pdbs=PDB$SEED,PDB01,PDB03,PDB04,PDB05
batch1.tune_setting=DISTRIBUTED_UPGRADE=true, ...
# Database Batch 2
batch2.sid=RACDB2
batch2.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/12.2.0.1
batch2.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19
batch2.upgrade_node=boston2
batch2.pdbs=PDB02,PDB06,PDB07,PDB08,PDB09
batch2.tune_setting=DISTRIBUTED_UPGRADE=true, ...
```

Distributed Upgrade | Use

Under the hood

1. AutoUpgrade creates a special config file
2. **AutoUpgrade spawns itself on all nodes**

Node 1

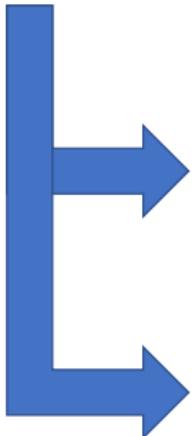
```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config mod.conf \
      -mode upgrade -noconsole -follower
```

Node 2

```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config mod.conf \
      -mode upgrade -noconsole -follower
```

Distributed Upgrade | Architecture

```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config DB.conf -mode deploy
```



Node 1:

```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config mod.conf -mode upgrade -noconsole -follower
```

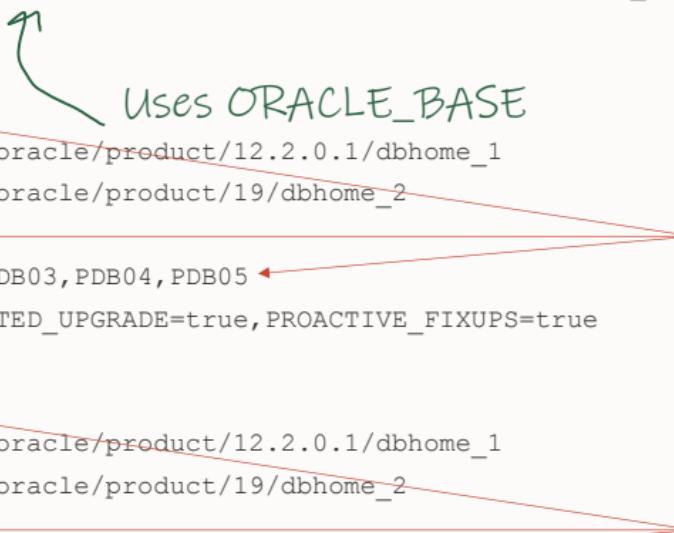
Node 2:

```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config mod.conf -mode upgrade -noconsole -follower
```

Distributed Upgrade | Architecture

Custom config file for 1 CDB + 10 PDBs upgrade

```
global.autoapg_log_dir=/u01/app/oracle/cfgtoollogs/autoupgrade/CDB12_iad1d7/au_logs
# Databases section
# Database Batch 1
batch1.sid=CDB121
batch1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/12.2.0.1/dbhome_1
batch1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19/dbhome_2
batch1.upgrade_node=au1
batch1.pdb$=PDB$SEED,PDB01,PDB03,PDB04,PDB05
batch1.tune_setting=DISTRIBUTED_UPGRADE=true,PROACTIVE_FIXUPS=true
# Database Batch 2
batch2.sid=CDB122
batch2.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/12.2.0.1/dbhome_1
batch2.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19/dbhome_2
batch2.upgrade_node=au2
batch2.pdb$=PDB02,PDB06,PDB07,PDB08,PDB09
batch2.tune_setting=DISTRIBUTED_UPGRADE=true,PROACTIVE_FIXUPS=true
```



Uses ORACLE_BASE

Node 1 (au1) receives 5 PDBs

Node 2 (au2) also receives another 5 PDBs

Distributed Upgrade | **Demo**

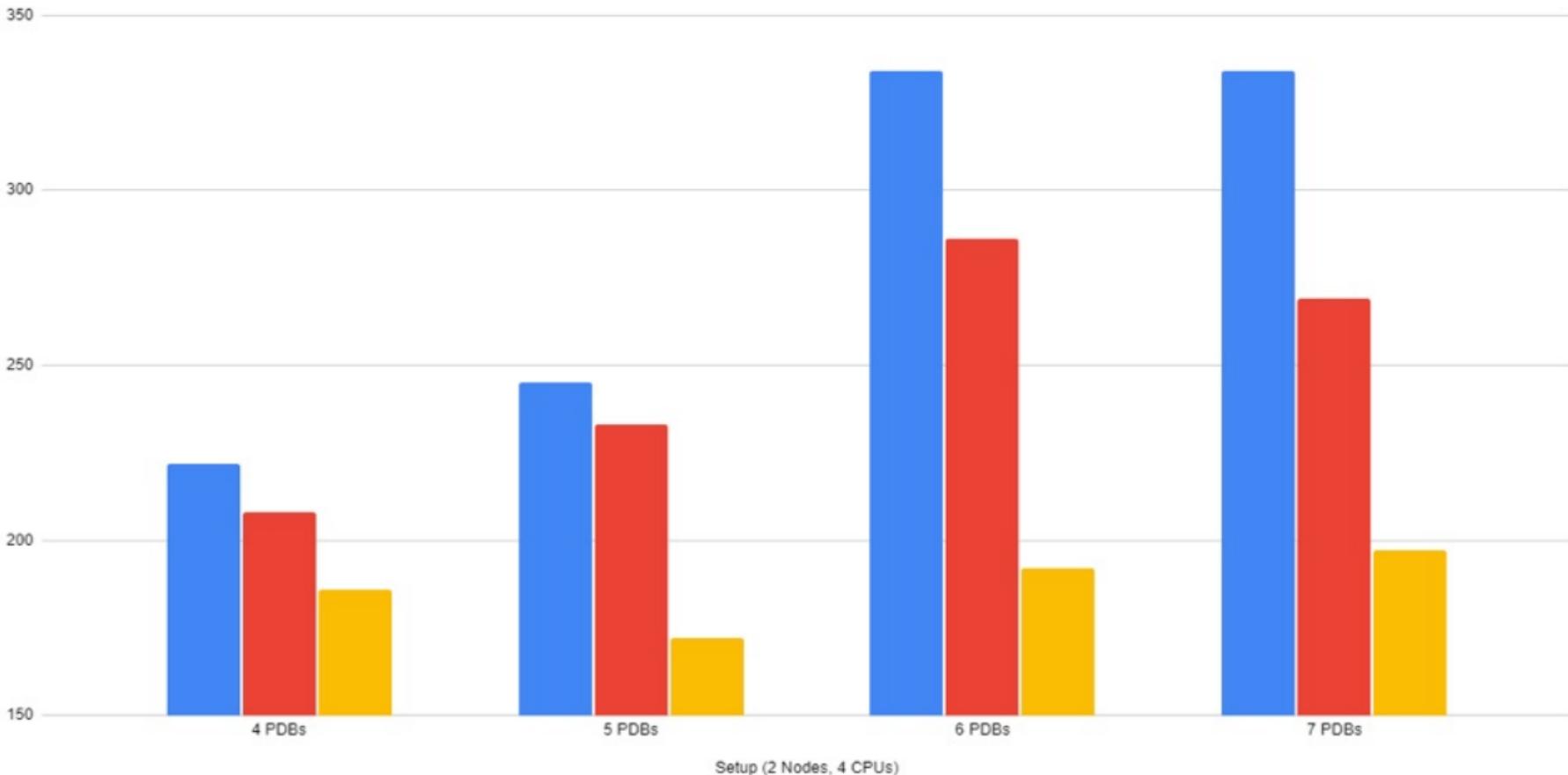


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SP, PFX and PFX+DDUP (less is better)

SP - Standard RAC Upgrade
PFX - Proactive Fixups
DDUP - Distributed DB Upgrade

SP PFX PFX+DDUP



41%

In benchmark, time saved by using
distributed upgrade

- 2 node RAC database
- 4 CPUs each
- CDB with 8 PDBs



By default, AutoUpgrade uses two nodes



You can control how many nodes are being used

```
upgl.tune_setting=distributed_upgrade=true,active_nodes_limit=n
```

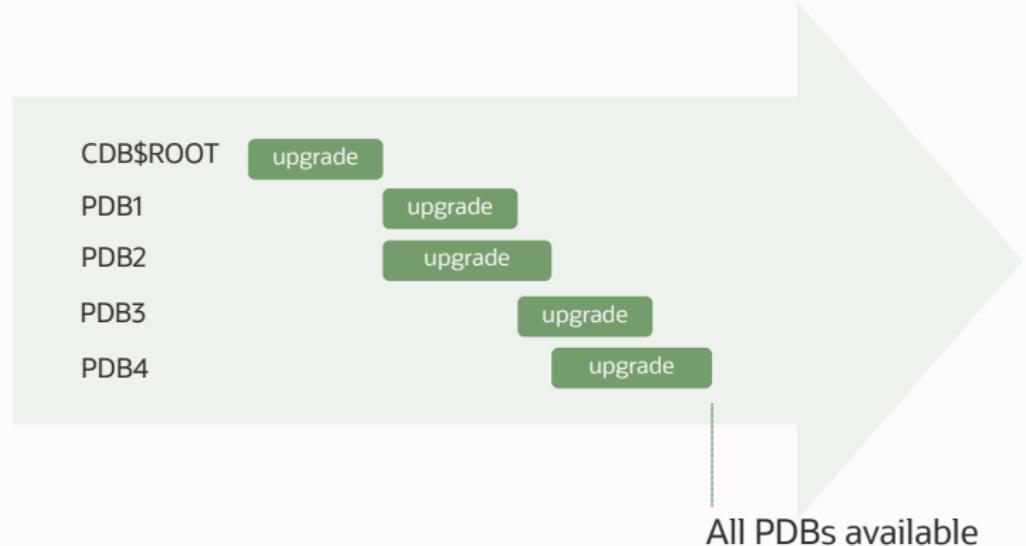
Some PDBs are more important

Control the order of the upgrade

PDB Availability

DEFAULT

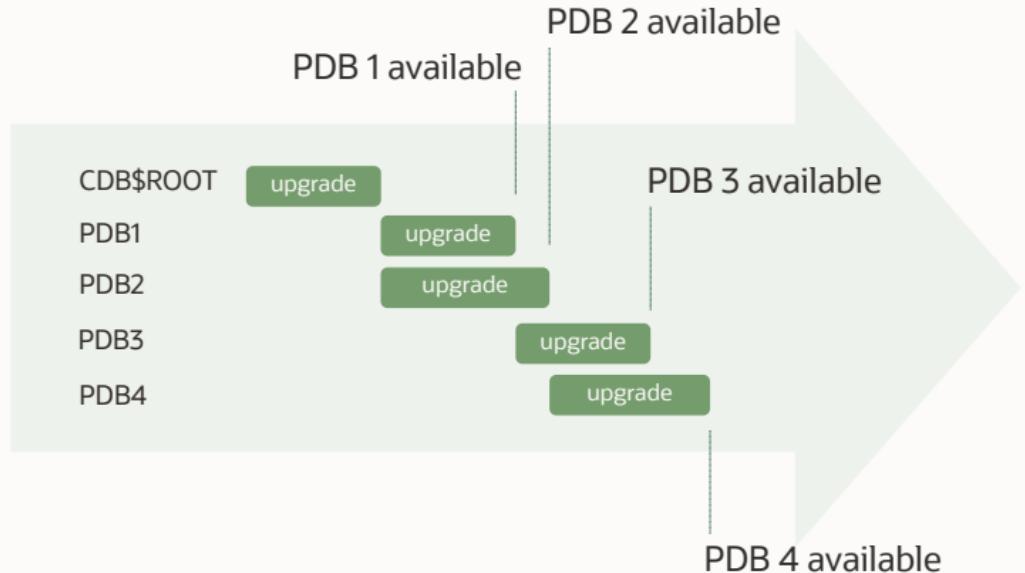
`make_pdbs_available=false`



PDB Availability

**IMMEDIATELY
AVAILABLE**

`make_pdbs_available=true`



```
alter pluggable database SALESPROD priority 1;
```

```
alter pluggable database SALESDEV priority 2;
```

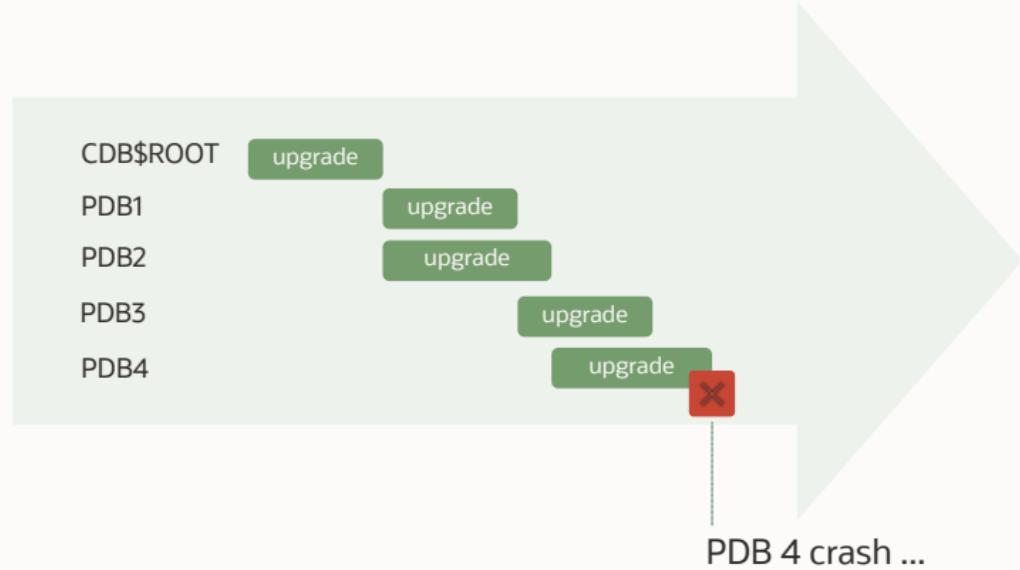
```
alter pluggable database SALESUAT priority 2;
```

```
alter pluggable database SALESTEST priority 3;
```

PDB Availability

**IMMEDIATELY
AVAILABLE**

`make_pdbs_available=true`



Flashback entire CDB?

Distributed Upgrade | Questions

- All nodes on which the database is configured (srvctl) must be up and running, otherwise, AutoUpgrade will error out



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AutoUpgrade and TDE



AutoUpgrade fully supports Transparent Data Encryption

- Isolated keystore mode coming in a later version

TDE | Keystore

- New config file parameter: `global.keystore`
- Governs directory of AutoUpgrade keystore
- Password protected software keystore
- Optionally, an auto-open keystore

TDE | Keystore

```
$ cat DB12.cfg

global.keystore=/etc/oracle keystores/autouupgrade/DB12
...

$ ls -l /etc/oracle/keystores/autouupgrade/DB12
-rw-----. 1 oracle dba 720 Mar 28 14:56 ewallet.p12
```

TDE | Keystore

AutoUpgrade keystore contains

- Database TDE keystore passwords (user-supplied)
- Passphrases or transport secrets (auto-generated)

TDE | Keystore

```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config DB12.cfg -load_password
```

```
TDE> add DB12
```

```
Enter your secret/Password:
```

```
Re-enter your secret/Password:
```

TDE | Keystore

In the TDE console, the following commands are available:

- add
- delete
- list
- save
- help
- exit



A password protects the AutoUpgrade keystore, unless you also create an auto-login keystore

TDE | Keystore

```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config DB12.cfg -load_password
```

```
TDE> save
```

```
Convert the keystore to auto-login [YES|NO] ?
```

```
$ ls -l /etc/oracle/keystores/autoupgrade/DB12
```

```
-rw-----. 1 oracle dba 765 Mar 28 14:56 cwallet.sso
-rw-----. 1 oracle dba 720 Mar 28 14:56 ewallet.p12
```



Protect the AutoUpgrade keystore
like you protect any other keystore

- Apply restrictive file system permissions
- Audit access
- Back it up

TDE | Upgrade Non-CDB or CDB

To upgrade an encrypted non-CDB or entire CDB

- An auto-login TDE keystore must be present

```
SQL> -- LOCAL_AUTOLOGIN is also usable
SQL> select wallet_type from v$encryption_wallet;
```

```
AUTOLOGIN
```

You do **not** need an AutoUpgrade keystore

TDE | Upgrade Non-CDB or CDB

Workaround

- If database has issues finding the right keystore, you can override TNS_ADMIN location in config file:

```
upg1.source_tns_admin_dir=/u01/app/oracle/admin/DB12/tns_admin  
upg1.target_tns_admin_dir=/u01/app/oracle/admin/DB12/tns_admin
```



Defining keystore location in *sqlnet.ora*
is deprecated in Oracle Database 19c



Use `WALLET_ROOT` parameter to define
keystore location and use new TDE functionality

TDE | Upgrade Non-CDB or CDB

Use AutoUpgrade to switch to keystore configuration using `WALLET_ROOT`

Create text file with new initialization parameters:

```
$ cat /tmp/au-pfile-tde.txt

WALLET_ROOT='/etc/oracle/keystores/$ORACLE_SID'
TDE_CONFIGURATION='KEYSTORE_CONFIGURATION=FILE'
```

TDE | Upgrade Non-CDB or CDB

Instruct AutoUpgrade to add parameters during and after upgrade:

```
upg1.add_during_upgrade_pfile=/tmp/au-pfile-tde.txt  
upg1.add_after_upgrade_pfile=/tmp/au-pfile-tde.txt
```

AutoUpgrade automatically copies keystore from previous location into location defined by `WALLET_ROOT`

Pro tip: Get more details in [blog post](#)

TDE | Upgrade Encrypted Non-CDB and Convert

To upgrade an encrypted non-CDB and afterwards convert it to a PDB:

Create config file

```
global.autoapg_log_dir=/u01/app/oracle/cfgtoollogs/autouupgrade
global.keystore=/u01/app/oracle/admin/autouupgrade/keystore

upg1.log_dir=/u01/app/oracle/cfgtoollogs/autouupgrade/DB12
upg1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/12.2.0.1
upg1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19
upg1.sid=DB12
upg1.target_cdb=CDB2
```

TDE | Upgrade Encrypted Non-CDB and Convert

Analyze the non-CDB for upgrade readiness

```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config DB12.cfg -mode analyze
```

Summary report will show which keystore passwords are needed:

REQUIRED ACTIONS

1. Perform the specified action ...

ORACLE_SID

Action Required

DB12

Add TDE password

CDB2

Add TDE password

TDE | Upgrade Encrypted Non-CDB and Convert

Start TDE console to load passwords

```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config DB12.cfg -load_password
```

Add database keystore passwords

```
TDE> add DB12
```

```
TDE> add CDB2
```

Start upgrade

```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config DB12.cfg -mode deploy
```

TDE | Upgrade Encrypted PDB

To upgrade an encrypted PDB using unplug-plug:

Create config file

```
global.autoapg_log_dir=/u01/app/oracle/cfgtoollogs/autouupgrade
global.keystore=/u01/app/oracle/admin/autouupgrade/keystore

upg1.log_dir=/u01/app/oracle/cfgtoollogs/autouupgrade/PDB1
upg1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/12.2.0.1
upg1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19
upg1.sid=CDB1
upg1.target_cdb=CDB2
upg1.pdbs=PDB1
```

TDE | Upgrade Encrypted PDB

Analyze the PDB for upgrade readiness

```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config PDB1.cfg -mode analyze
```

Summary report will show which keystore passwords are needed:

REQUIRED ACTIONS

1. Perform the specified action ...

ORACLE_SID

Action Required

CDB1

Add TDE password

CDB2

Add TDE password

TDE | Upgrade Encrypted PDB

Start TDE console to load passwords

```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config PDB1.cfg -load_password
```

Add database keystore passwords

```
TDE> add CDB1
```

```
TDE> add CDB2
```

Start upgrade

```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config PDB1.cfg -mode deploy
```



AutoUpgrade also supports
converting an encrypted non-CDB to PDB

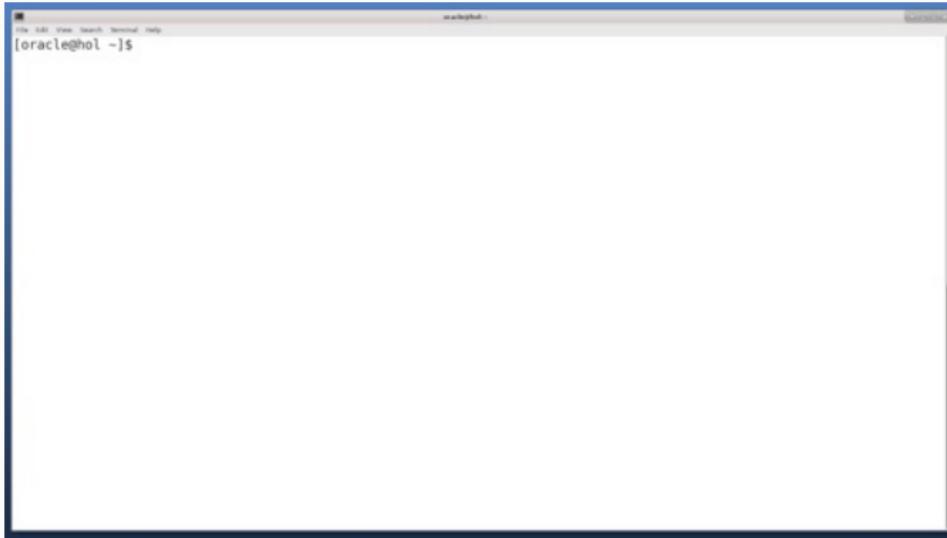


AutoUpgrade is compatible with Secure External Password Store

- Supported from Oracle Database 12.2

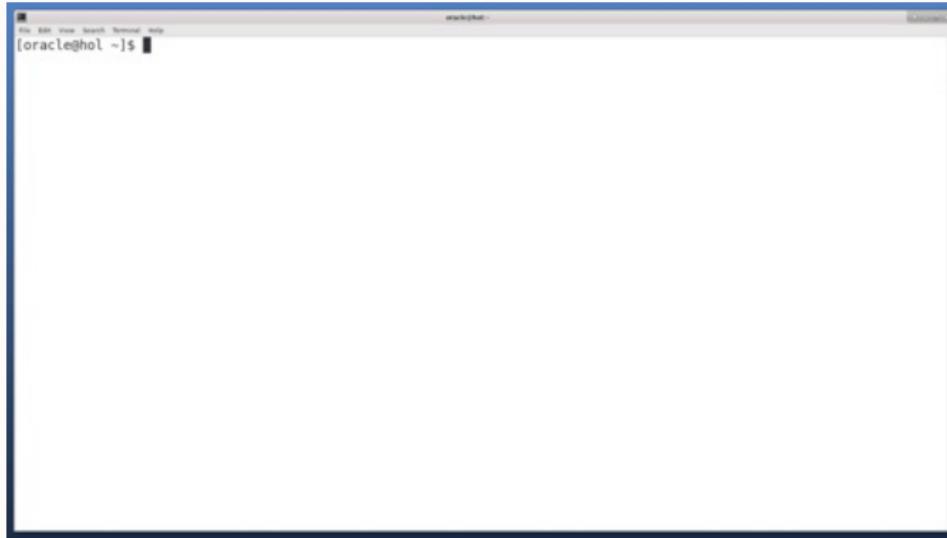
Pro tip: Get more details in [blog post](#)

TDE | Demo - Upgrading encrypted PDB



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TDE | Demo - Upgrading and converting to PDB



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TDE | Additional Information

- [Blog post series](#)
- [Configuring an External Store for a Keystore Password](#)



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AutoUpgrade on Exadata



AutoUpgrade is the recommended utility
to upgrade Oracle Databases to 19c

Source:

19c Grid Infrastructure and Database Upgrade steps for Exadata Database Machine
running on Oracle Linux (Doc ID [2542082.1](#))

AutoUpgrade | Exadata

Follow elaborate procedure in MOS note:

[19c Grid Infrastructure and Database Upgrade steps for Exadata Database Machine running on Oracle Linux \(Doc ID 2542082.1\)](#)

AutoUpgrade version 21.1.3 or higher is required

- but **always** use the latest version of AutoUpgrade



What about ExaCC and ExaCS?

AutoUpgrade | ExaCC + ExaCS

Follow elaborate procedure in MOS note:

- [Upgrading to 19c Oracle Database on Exadata Cloud Service \(ExaCS\) and Exadata Cloud at Customer Gen2 \(ExaCC\) \(Doc ID 2628228.1\)](#)

Above mentioned procedure is the only support method

Currently, DBUA is utilized by cloud tooling

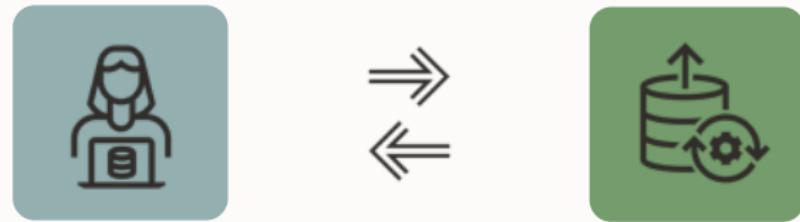


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AutoUpgrade REST API

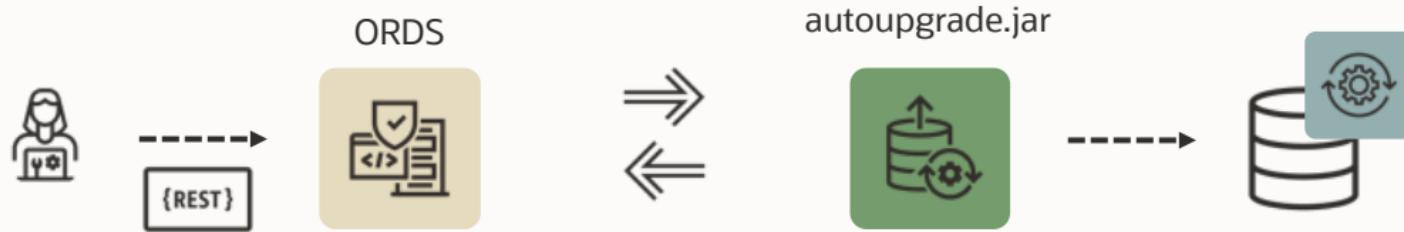
REST API | Why use it?

- Well-known API
- Flexibility
- Simplicity
- Upgrade-on-demand



REST API | How it works

AutoUpgrade uses ORDS to handle the Java calls



Requirement:

- [Oracle REST Data Services \(ORDS\) 22.1.0 or later](#)

REST API | Enable

```
$ #Enable the AutoUpgrade API
$ java -jar ords.war set-property autoupgrade.api.enabled true

$ #Set the location of AutoUpgrade log files
$ java -jar ords.war set-property autoupgrade.api.loglocation /u01/autoupgrade_logs

$ #Which AutoUpgrade.jar to use
$ java -jar ords.war set-property autoupgrade.api.aulocation /u01/autoupgrade.jar

$ #Which Java to use
$ java -jar ords.war set-property autoupgrade.api.jvmlocation /bin/java
```



Always use a separate instance of ORDS
for AutoUpgrade APIs



Always protect the REST APIs endpoints
with a firewall

REST API | Demo - Install



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Config File

```
global.autoapg_log_dir=/home/oracle/logs
upg1.source_home=/u01/app/product/11
upg1.target_home=/u01/app/product/19
upg1.sid=UPGR
upg1.log_dir=/home/oracle/logs
upg1.restoration=no
```

JSON for REST API

```
{
  "global": {
    "autoapg_log_dir": "/home/oracle/logs"
  },
  "jobs": [
    {
      "source_home": "/u01/app/product/11",
      "target_home": "/u01/app/product/19",
      "sid": "UPGR",
      "log_dir": "/home/oracle/logs",
      "restoration": "no"
    }
  ]
}
```

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      "restoration": "no"
    }
  ]
}
```

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      "sid": "UPGR",
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      "restoration": "no"
    }
  ]
}
```

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```

JSON for REST API

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  },
  "jobs": [
    {
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      "target_home": "/u01/app/product/19",
      "sid": "UPGR",
      "log_dir": "/home/oracle/logs",
      "restoration": "no"
    }
  ]
}
```

Config File

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upg1.target_home=/u01/app/product/19
upg1.sid=UPGR
upg1.log_dir=/home/oracle/logs
upg1.restoration=no
```

JSON for REST API

```
{
  "global": {
    "autoapg_log_dir": "/home/oracle/logs"
  },
  "jobs": [
    {
      "source_home": "/u01/app/product/11",
      "target_home": "/u01/app/product/19",
      "sid": "UPGR",
      "log_dir": "/home/oracle/logs",
      "restoration": "no"
    }
  ]
}
```

REST API | Methods

Methods available in the REST API

- **task** (GET / POST) 
- **tasks** (GET)
- **status** (GET)
- **progress** (GET)
- **console** (GET)
- **log** (GET)

Only API with POST method

Pro tip: Read more about [REST APIs](#)

REST API | Create a New AutoUpgrade Task

```
$ curl -k --data-binary "@UPGR.json" -X POST --header "Content-Type:application/json"  
'https://localhost:8443/ords/autoupgrade/task?mode=analyze'
```

```
{  
  "taskid": "job_2022_04_27_05_17_24.146_0"  
  "status": "submitted",  
  "message": "",  
  "link": "https://localhost:8443/ords/autoupgrade/task?taskid=job_2022_04_27_05.17.24.146_0",  
  "config": {  
    "global": {
```

Ignore verifications of the target database
AutoUpgrade API configuration

Input file type

```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config UPGR.cfg -mode analyze
```

```
  "target_home": "/u01/app/oracle/product/19",  
  "sid": "UPGR",  
  "log_dir": "/home/oracle/logs",  
  "restoration": "no"  
}  
]  
}
```

REST API | List all Tasks

```
$ curl -k https://localhost:8443/ords/autoupgrade/tasks
```

```
{  
    "total_tasks": 1,  
    "tasks": [  
        {  
            "mode": "analyze",  
            "taskid": "job_2022_04_27_05.17.24.146_0",  
            "config": {  
                "jobs": [  
                    {  
                        "source_home": "/u01/app/oracle/product/11.2.0.4",  
                        "sid": "UPGR"  
                    }  
                ]  
            },  
            "link": "https://localhost:8443/ords/autoupgrade/task?taskid=job_2022_04_27_05.17.24.146_0"  
        }  
    ]  
}
```



Task Identifier

REST API | Get Specific Task

```
$ curl -k 'https://localhost:8443/ords/autoupgrade/task?taskid=job_2022_04_27_05.17.24.146_0'
```

```
{  
  "taskid": "job_2022_04_27_05.17.24.146_0",  
  "status": "finished",  
  "message": "",  
  "link": "https://localhost:8443/ords/autoupgrade/task?taskid=job_2022_04_27_05.17.24.146_0",  
  "config": {  
    "global": {  
      "autoupg_log_dir": "/home/oracle/logs"  
    },  
    "jobs": [ Task Status  
      {  
        "source_home": "/u01/app/oracle/product/11.2.0.4",  
        "target_home": "/u01/app/oracle/product/19",  
        "sid": "UPGR",  
        "log_dir": "/home/oracle/logs",  
        "restoration": "no"  
      }  
    ]  
  }  
}
```

Task Identifier

REST API | Get console output for Job

```
$ curl -k 'https://localhost:8443/ords/autoupgrade/console?taskid=job_2022_04_27_05.17.24.146_0'
```

```
AutoUpgrade is not fully tested on OpenJDK 64-Bit Server VM, Oracle recommends to use Java HotSpot™  
AutoUpgrade 22.2.220324 launched with default internal options
```

```
Processing config file ...
```

```
+-----+  
| Starting AutoUpgrade execution |  
+-----+
```

```
1 Non-CDB(s) will be analyzed
```

```
Job 100 database upgr
```

```
Job 100 completed
```

```
----- Final Summary -----
```

```
Number of databases [ 1 ]
```

Jobs finished	[1]
---------------	-----

Jobs failed	[0]
-------------	-----

```
Please check the summary report at:
```

```
/u01/AU_REST/autoupgrade_logs/job_2022_04_27_05.17.24.146_0/cfgtoollogs/upgrade/auto/status/status.html
```

```
/u01/AU_REST/autoupgrade_logs/job_2022_04_27_05.17.24.146_0/cfgtoollogs/upgrade/auto/status/status.log
```

REST API | Resubmit in deploy mode

```
$ curl -k -X POST 'https://localhost:8443/ords/autoupgrade/task?taskid=job_2022_04_27_05.17.24.146_0&mode=deploy'
```

```
{
  "taskid": "job_2022_04_27_05.17.24.146_0",
  "status": "submitted",
  "message": "",
  "link": "https://localhost:8443/ords/autoupgrade/task?taskid=job_2022_04_27_05.17.24.146_0",
  "config": {
    "global": {
      "autoupg_log_dir": "/home/oracle/logs"
    },
    "jobs": [
      {
        "source_home": "/u01/app/oracle/product/11.2.0.4",
        "target_home": "/u01/app/oracle/product/19",
        "sid": "UPGR",
        "log_dir": "/home/oracle/logs",
        "restoration": "no"
      }
    ]
  }
}
```

REST API | List all files created by task

```
$ curl -k 'https://localhost:8443/ords/autoupgrade/log?taskid=job_2022_04_27_05.17.24.146_0'
```

```
{
  "logs": [
    ...,
    {
      "filename": "cfgtoollogs/upgrade/auto/status/status.html",
      "link": "https://localhost:8443/ords/autoupgrade/log?taskid=job_2022_04_27_05.17.24.146_0&name=cfgtoollogs/upgrade/auto/status/status.html"
    },
    {
      "filename": "cfgtoollogs/upgrade/auto/status/status.log",
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    },
    {
      "filename": "cfgtoollogs/upgrade/auto/status/progress.json",
      "link": "https://localhost:8443/ords/autoupgrade/log?taskid=job_2022_04_27_05.17.24.146_0&name=cfgtoollogs/upgrade/auto/status/progress.json"
    }
  ]
}
```

REST API | State.html

Autoupgrade Tool

https://192.168.68.130:8443/ords/autoupgrade/log?taskid=job_2022_04_27_05.17.24.146_0&name=cfgtoollogs/upgrade/auto/state.html

ORACLE®

Date: Wed Apr 27 05:50:25 CEST 2022 | Operating System: Linux

Current Upgrade Status

jobid	DbName	Stage	Operation	Status	Details
101	UPGR	DBUPGRADE	EXECUTING	RUNNING	[Upgrading] is [95%] completed for [upgr] +-----+ CONTAINER PERCENTAGE +-----+ UPGR UPGRADE [95%] +-----+

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REST API | Demo - Upgrade



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REST API | [More details](#)

- [Official Documentation](#)
- [Blog post](#)



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Compatible

Compatible | Recommendation

When should you change COMPATIBLE?

A week or two after the upgrade - requires a database restart

Caution: When you change COMPATIBLE you can't:

- Flashback to restore point
- Downgrade

Compatible | Recommendation

Which value should you use for COMPATIBLE?

- The default of the database release
- 11.2.0
- 12.1.0
- 12.2.0
- 18.0.0
- 19.0.0

Should you change COMPATIBLE when patching?

- NEVER!
 - Except for ...

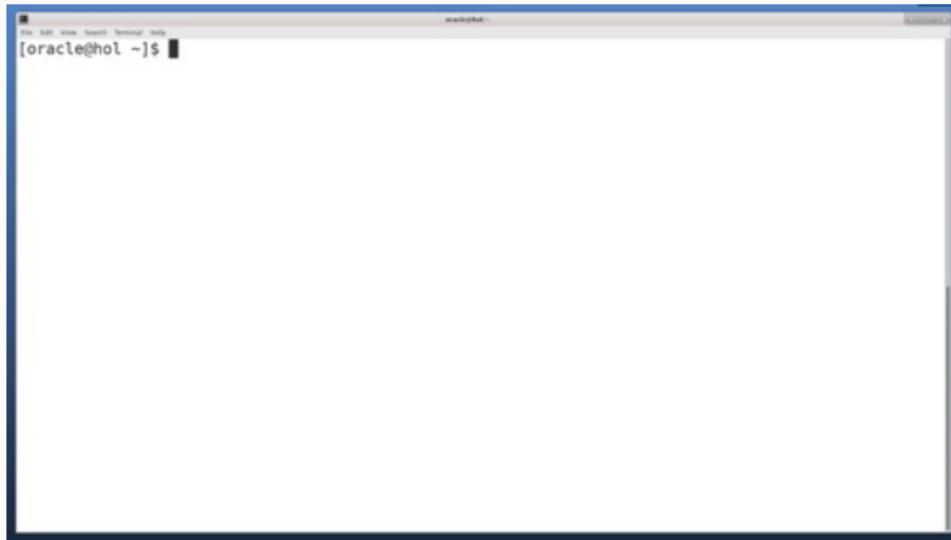
Compatible | AutoUpgrade

AutoUpgrade does not change COMPATIBLE

Unless you want it

```
upg1.drop_grp_after_upgrade=yes  
upg1.raise_compatible=yes
```

Compatible | **Demo**



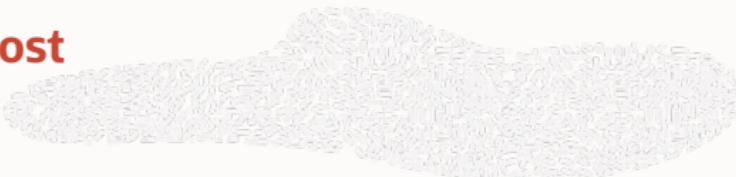
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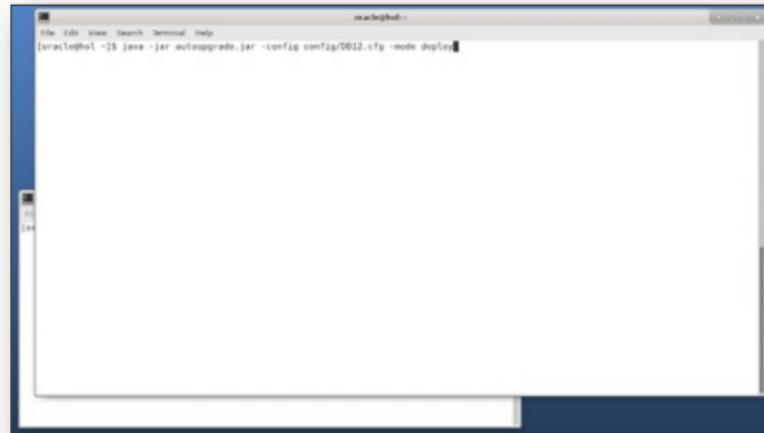
What if ...

Tips and Tricks and Workarounds

AutoUpgrade | What if ... your session is lost



- AutoUpgrade is **fully resumable**
- Restart using the same command line
- Previous work is **preserved**
 - upgrade restarts from where it left



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AutoUpgrade | What if ... your session is lost

Or better, use nohup

```
nohup java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config db.cfg -mode deploy -noconsole &
```

Or even better, use a terminal multiplexer

- tmux
- screen



Upgrade | Resumable

dbupgrade is also fully resumable

```
# Resume from failed phase
$ dbupgrade -R

# Resume from specific phase
$ dbupgrade -p 25
```

DBUA is not!

```
1 ***** Catproc Procedures ****
2 Parallel Phase #:13 ... [db18x] Files:94 ... Time: 27s
3 Restart Phase #:14 ... [db18x] Files:1 ... Time: 2s
4 Parallel Phase #:15 ... [db18x] Files:121 ... Time: 63s
5 Restart Phase #:16 ... [db18x] Files:1 ... Time: 3s
6 Serial Phase #:17 ... [db18x] Files:22 ... Time: 8s
7 Restart Phase #:18 ... [db18x] Files:1 ... Time: 3s
8 ***** Catproc Views ****
9 Parallel Phase #:19 ... [db18x] Files:32 ... Time: 51s
10 Restart Phase #:20 ... [db18x] Files:1 ... Time: 2s
11 Serial Phase #:21 ... [db18x] Files:3 ... Time: 33s
12 Restart Phase #:22 ... [db18x] Files:1 ... Time: 3s
13 Parallel Phase #:23 ... [db18x] Files:25 ... Time: 227s
14 Restart Phase #:24 ... [db18x] Files:1 ... Time: 3s
15 Parallel Phase #:25 ... [db18x] Files:12 ... Time: 125s
16 Restart Phase #:26 ... [db18x] Files:1 ... Time: 3s
17 Serial Phase #:27 ... [db18x] Files:1 ... Time: 0s
18 Serial Phase #:28 ... [db18x] Files:3 ... Time: 11s
19 Serial Phase #:29 ... [db18x] Files:1 ... Time: 0s
20 Restart Phase #:30 ... [db18x] Files:1 ... Time: 1s
21 ***** Catproc CDB Views ****
22 Serial Phase #:31 ... [db18x] Files:1 ... Time: 3s
23 Restart Phase #:32 ... [db18x] Files:1 ... Time: 3s
24 Serial Phase #:34 ... [db18x] Files:1 ... Time: 0s
25 ***** Catproc PLBs ****
```

AutoUpgrade | What if ... a fixup fails?



To override a fixup

1. ANALYZE

2. Edit checklist

3. Edit config file

4. Deploy

Run analyze

```
java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config DB.cfg -mode analyze
```

It will produce a checklist:

```
./prechecks/<sid>_checklist.cfg
```

AutoUpgrade | What if ... a fixup fails?



To override a fixup

1. Analyze
2. **EDIT CHECKLIST**
3. Edit config file
4. Deploy

Edit checklist and find the failing fixup

```
-----  
[checkname]          DICTIONARY_STATS  
[stage]              PRECHECKS  
[fixup_available]   YES  
[runfix]             NO  
[severity]           RECOMMEND  
-----
```

Pro tip: Set `runfix` to `_SKIP` to prevent the check and fixup from running

AutoUpgrade | What if ... a fixup fails?



To override a fixup

1. Analyze
2. Edit checklist
- 3. EDIT CONFIG FILE**
4. Deploy

Edit config file and specify your customer checklist

```
upgl.checklist=../prechecks/<sid>_checklist.cfg
```

AutoUpgrade | What if ... a fixup fails?



To override a fixup

1. Analyze
2. Edit checklist
3. Edit config file
4. **DEPLOY**

Upgrade

```
java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config DB.cfg -mode deploy
```

AutoUpgrade | What if ... a fixup fails?

fxlist displays the fixups

```
upg> fxlist -job 100
...
PostFixUps of Job 100

Database DB12
+-----+-----+-----+
|       FixUp Name| Severity|Run Fix?|
+-----+-----+-----+
| OLD_TIME_ZONES_EXIST|  WARNING| YES|
|     POST_DICTIONARY|RECOMMEND| YES|
|         POST_UTLRP|RECOMMEND| YES|
|  TIMESTAMP_MISMATCH|  WARNING| YES|
+-----+-----+-----+
```

AutoUpgrade | What if ... a fixup fails?

Change fixup execution using fxlist (yes, no, skip)

```
upg> fxlist -job 100 -c DB12 alter OLD_TIME_ZONES_EXIST run no
```

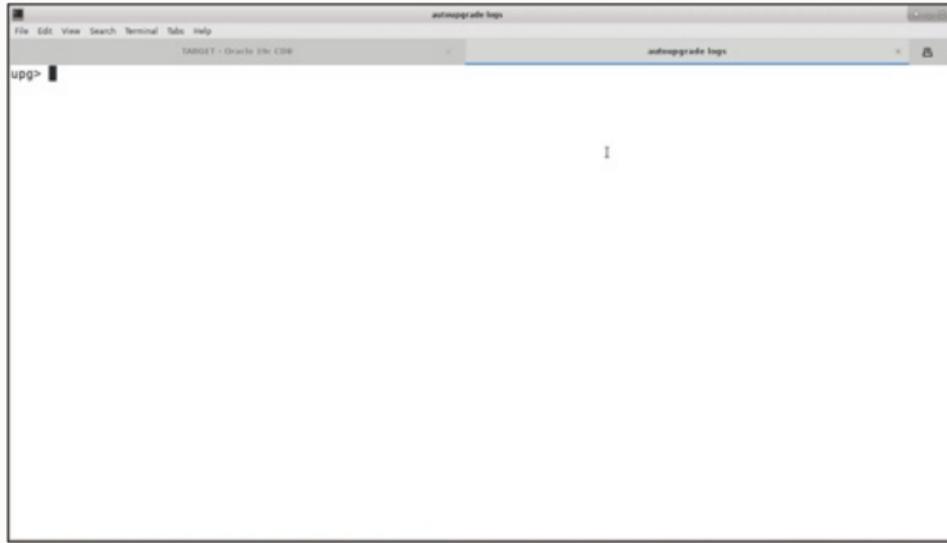
...

```
PostFixUps of Job 100
```

```
Database DB12
```

FixUp Name	Severity	Run Fix?
OLD_TIME_ZONES_EXIST	WARNING	NO
POST_DICTIONARY	RECOMMEND	YES
POST_UTLRP	RECOMMEND	YES
TIMESTAMP_MISMATCH	WARNING	YES

AutoUpgrade | What if ... a fixup fails?



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AutoUpgrade | What if ... you need to restart?

Use AutoUpgrade to:

- Flashback the database
- Revert a plug-in operation (only when data files are copied)
- Revert a non-CDB to PDB conversion (only when data files are copied)

```
java -jar autoupgrade.jar -restore -jobs n
```

If you revert or restore in any other way, you must tell AutoUpgrade

AutoUpgrade | What if ... you need to flash back?

Pre Upgrade Environment	Post Upgrade Environment
CREATE RESTORE POINT grpt GUARANTEE FLASHBACK DATABASE;	
	UPGRADE 
	SHUTDOWN IMMEDIATE
	STARTUP MOUNT;
	FLASHBACK DATABASE TO RESTORE POINT grpt ;
	SHUTDOWN IMMEDIATE
STARTUP MOUNT;	
ALTER DATABASE OPEN RESETLOGS;	
DROP RESTORE POINT grpt ;	

AutoUpgrade | What if ... you need to flash back?

Guaranteed Restore Points

```
upgl.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/12.2.0.1
upgl.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19
upgl.sid=CDB1
upgl.restoration=yes
upgl.drop_grp_after_upgrade=no
```

- Default behavior:
 - AutoUpgrade creates GRP except for
 - Standard Edition 2
 - restoration=no
 - GRP will be kept
 - GRP needs to be removed manually except for
 - drop_grp_after_upgrade=yes will only remove it when upgrade completed successfully

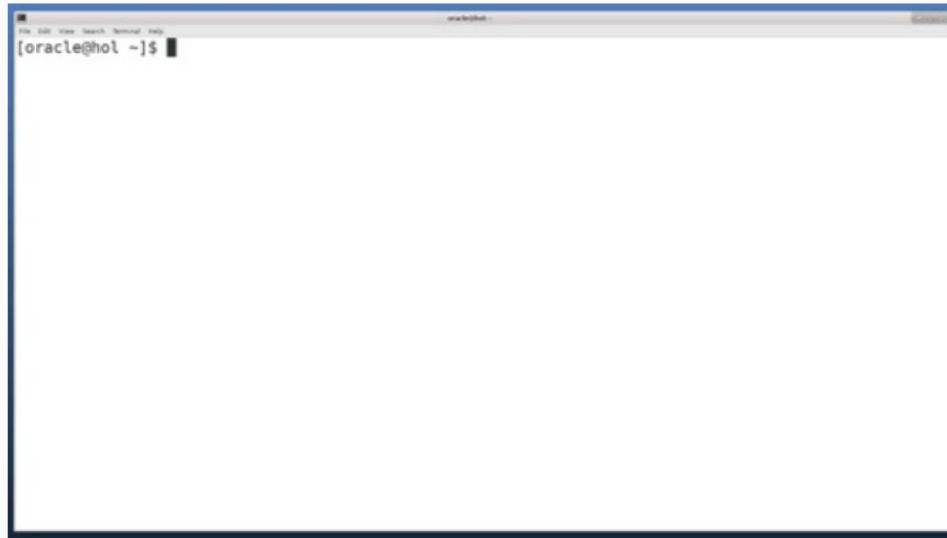
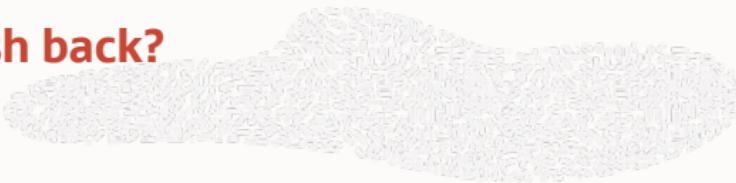
AutoUpgrade | What if ... you need to flash back?

AutoUpgrades handles everything, including

- /etc/oratab
- Clusterware registration
- Moving files
 - PFile
 - SPFile
 - Password file
 - Etc.

Pro tip: If restoring a primary database, you must manually handle the standby database

AutoUpgrade | What if ... you need to flash back?



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AutoUpgrade | What if ... you need to restart?

If you revert or restore in any other way, you must tell AutoUpgrade

1. Clear recovery data for a specific job

```
java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config DB.cfg -clear_recovery_data -job n
```

2. Clear all recovery data

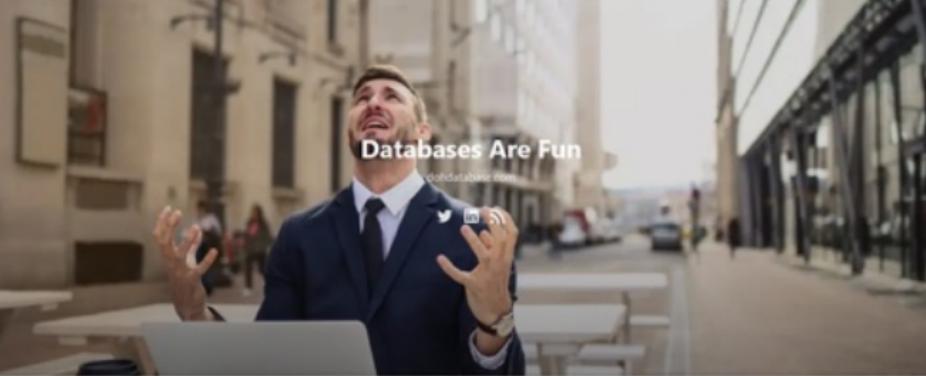
```
java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config DB.cfg -clear_recovery_data
```

3. Remove AutoUpgrade log directories - use with **caution**

```
global.autoapg_log_dir=/u01/app/oracle/cfgtoollogs/autoupgrade  
upg1.log_dir=/u01/app/oracle/admin/DB1/upglogs
```

```
rm -rf /u01/app/oracle/cfgtoollogs/autoupgrade  
rm -rf /u01/app/oracle/admin/DB1/upglogs
```

AutoUpgrade | What if ... you need to restart?



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Is AutoUpgrade resumable?

<https://dohdatabase.com/is-autoupgrade-resumable/>

AutoUpgrade | What if ... you need many

Can you start many instances of AutoUpgrade? Yes!

Each AutoUpgrade instance **must** have its own logging directory

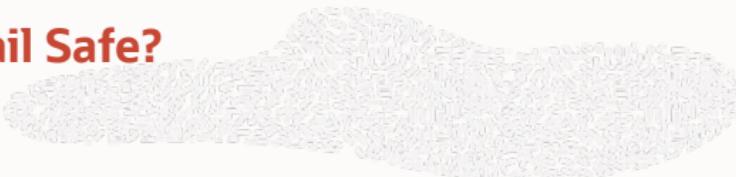
First AutoUpgrade instance

```
$ more CDB1.cfg
global.autoapg_log_dir=/tmp/AutoUpgrade1
...
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar \
  -config CDB1.cfg \
  -mode analyze
```

Second AutoUpgrade instance

```
$ more CDB2.cfg
global.autoapg_log_dir=/tmp/AutoUpgrade2
...
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar \
  -config CDB2.cfg \
  -mode analyze
```

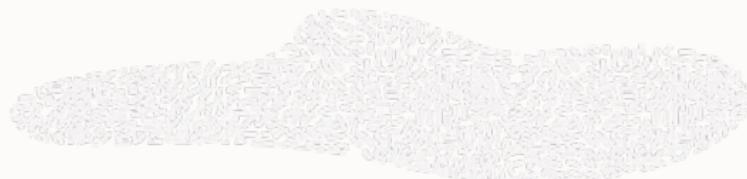
AutoUpgrade | What if ... you are using Fail Safe?



Like any other upgrade

1. Remove database from all cluster groups
2. Upgrade with AutoUpgrade
3. Add back to cluster groups

AutoUpgrade | What if ... Database Vault



MOS notes

[Requirement for Upgrading Database with Database Vault \(Doc ID 2757126.1\)](#)

AutoUpgrade | What if ... AutoUpgrade fails

1. Create zip file

```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config config.cfg -zip
```

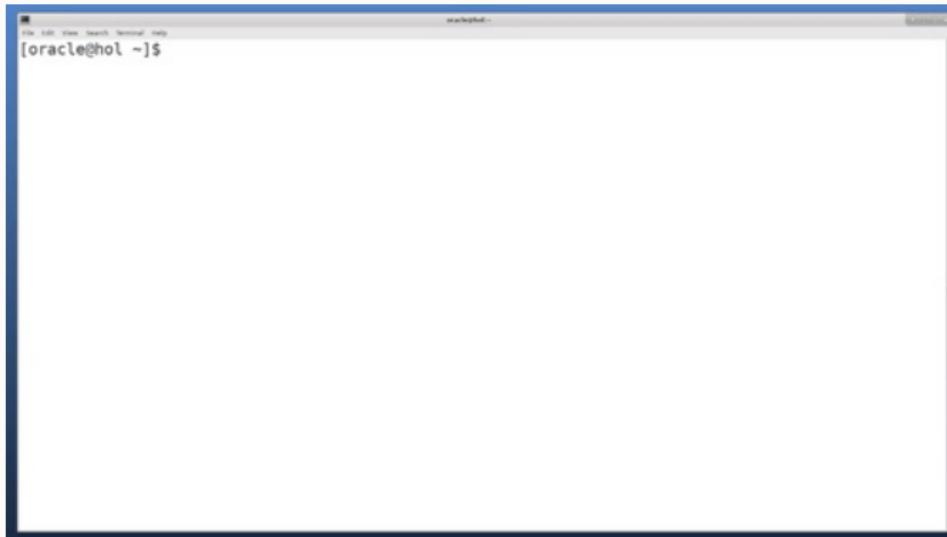
2. Optionally, add opatch lsinventory

```
$ $ORACLE_HOME/OPatch/opatch lsinventory > opatch.txt
$ zip -r AUPG_210419_0735_461.zip opatch.txt
```

3. Upload it to My Oracle Support



AutoUpgrade | What if ... AutoUpgrade fails



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AutoUpgrade | What if ... AutoUpgrade fails

What does an error mean?

```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -error_code UPG-1400

ERROR1400.ERROR  = UPG-1400
ERROR1400.CAUSE  = Database upgrade failed with errors
```

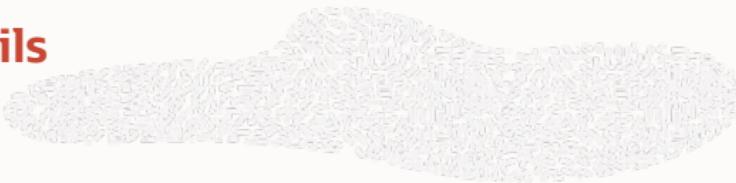
Omit the error code and get a list of all error codes

```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -error_code

ERROR1000.ERROR  = UPG-1000
ERROR1000.CAUSE  = It was not possible to create the data file where the jobsTable is being written or there was a
problem during the writing, it might be thrown due to a permission error or a busy resource scenario

ERROR1001.ERROR  = UPG-1001
ERROR1001.CAUSE  = There was a problem reading the state file perhaps there was corruption writing the file and in
the next write it might be fixed
.
.
```

AutoUpgrade | What if ... AutoUpgrade fails



```
[oracle@hol ~]$ more config/DB12.cfg
global.autoupgrade_log_dir=/u01/app/oracle/cfgtoollogs/autoupgrade

upgl.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/12.2.0.1
upgl.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19
upgl.sid=DB12
[oracle@hol ~]$
```

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"After qualifying the new AutoUpgrade tool on a representative portion of our database landscape we found that tool was doing a great job and is production-ready. In our automation tool we have removed a lot of "home-grown" code and replaced it with AutoUpgrade functionality.

Since August 2019 all upgrades at SimCorp have been executed using the AutoUpgrade tool."



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After Upgrade

Important things to do after the upgrade completed successfully

Things to do right after upgrade

Configure statistics history retention period

- Check space usage:

```
SQL> select space_usage_kbytes/1024 mb
  from v$sysaux_occupants where
occupant_name='SM/OPTSTAT';
```

- Check retention
 - Default: 31 days

```
SQL> select dbms_stats.get_stats_history_retention from dual;
```

- Adjust setting
 - Example: 10 days

```
SQL> exec dbms_stats.alter_stats_history_retention(10);
```

Time Zone | Facts

Upgrade and potential adjustment of `TIMESTAMP WITH TIME ZONE` data type

- Use `utltz*` scripts or `DBMS_DST` directly

Time zone can't be downgraded

Time zone upgrade may take long

Files are in `$ORACLE_HOME/oracore/zoneinfo`

Default time zone file

Database Release	Default TZ Version
11.2.0.2 - 11.2.0.4	DST V14
12.1.0.1, 12.1.0.2	DST V18
12.2.0.1	DST V26
18c	DST V31
19c	DST V32
21c	DST V35

Time Zone | Upgrade

Recommendation

- Apply most recent time zone patch before upgrade

- [MOS Note:412160.1](#)
- Not RAC rolling!

```
Version 30 - tzdata2017b update - patch 25881255 * patch 25881271
Version 31 - tzdata2017c update - patch 27015449 * patch 27015468
Version 32 - tzdata2018e update - patch 28125601 * patch 28127287
Version 33 - tzdata2018g update - patch 28852325 * patch 28852334
Version 34 - tzdata2019b update - patch 29997937 * patch 29997959
Version 35 - tzdata2020a update - patch 31335037 * patch 31335142
```

- AutoUpgrade adjusts time zone
 - Default: upgl.timezone_upg=yes
 - If *DST-source > DST-target*, AutoUpgrade copies necessary files
- Or upgrade manually with scripts
 - ?/rdbms/admin/**utltz_countstar.sql**
 - ?/rdbms/admin/**utltz_upg_check.sql**
 - ?/rdbms/admin/**utltz_upg_apply.sql**

Time Zone | Upgrade Multitenant

Check CDB\$ROOT and PDB\$SEED

```
perl catcon.pl -n 1 -s -l /home/oracle -b utltz_upg_check_ROOT_SEED  
-d /u01/app/oracle/product/19/rdbms/admin utltz_upg_check.sql
```

Then check PDBs

```
perl catcon.pl -n 1 -s -l /home/oracle -b utltz_upg_check_PDBs  
-d /u01/app/oracle/product/19/rdbms/admin utltz_upg_check.sql
```

Finally, upgrade time zone

```
perl catcon.pl -n 1 -s -l /home/oracle -b utltz_upg_apply_ROOT_SEED  
-d /u01/app/oracle/product/19/rdbms/admin utltz_upg_apply.sql
```

```
SQL> alter pluggable database all open;
```

```
perl catcon.pl -n 1 -s -l /home/oracle -b utltz_upg_apply_PDBs  
-d /u01/app/oracle/product/19/rdbms/admin utltz_upg_apply.sql
```

- How to patch all my PDBs with a new time zone file

Time Zone | Improve Performance

Adjust parallel degree of tables

- `ALTER TABLE TAB1 PARALLEL 16;`
- `PARALLEL_DEGREE_POLICY=AUTO`

Use DBMS_DST directly

- You can control table/MV upgrade
- You can parallelize the table/MV upgrades

Purge statistics history

Purge scheduler logs

Time Zone | Issues and Workaround

DBMS_DST.FIND_AFFECTED_TABLES doesn't run parallel

- Bug 30681085
- Fixed in 21c and in 19.11.0
- Manual workaround:
 - Edit ?/rdbms/admin/utltz_upg_check.sql
 - Add:

```
BEGIN
    DBMS_DST.FIND_AFFECTED_TABLES (AFFECTED_TABLES => 'SYS.DST$AFFECTED_TABLES',
                                    LOG_ERRORS => TRUE,
                                    LOG_ERRORS_TABLE => 'SYS.DST$ERROR_TABLE',
                                    PARALLEL => TRUE);
EXCEPTION ...
```

Time Zone | Issues and Workaround

Applying time zone changes is slow

- Bug 31940092
- Fixed in 21c and in 19.11.0
- Manual workaround:
 - Edit ?/rdbms/admin/utltz_upg_apply.sql
 - Remove or comment out:

```
-- Alter sessions to avoid (performance) issues
ALTER SESSION SET nls_sort          = 'BINARY';
-- ALTER SESSION SET "_with_subquery" = 'MATERIALIZE';
ALTER SESSION SET "_simple_view_merging" = TRUE;
```

Time Zone | Oracle 21: "Online" Upgrade of TZ Data

New init.ora Parameter in Oracle 21c

- TIMEZONE_VERSION_UPGRADE_ONLINE=TRUE

No or minimal locks

Still requires 1 restart of the database

- But not several restarts anymore
- No STARTUP UPGRADE required

When DBMS_DST.UPGRADE_DATABASE is used:

- TSTZ operation will be done **online whenever possible**
- Otherwise, an exclusive DML lock will be acquired

Before Oracle 21c:

```
SQL> EXEC DBMS_DST.BEGIN_UPGRADE(35);
BEGIN DBMS_DST.BEGIN_UPGRADE(35); END;

*
ERROR at line 1:
ORA-56926: database must be in UPGRADE mode in order
          to start an upgrade window
ORA-06512: at "SYS.DBMS_SYS_ERROR", line 79
ORA-06512: at "SYS.DBMS_DST", line 1240
ORA-06512: at line 1
```

Documentation: [Oracle 21c Database Globalization Support Guide, Chapter 4.7.1](#)

NEW IN
21c



Post Upgrade | Unified Audit Trail

- Internal structure changed to improve query performance of `UNIFIED_AUDIT_TRAIL` view
 - Old records must be converted to new format
 - To convert:

```
SQL> EXEC DBMS_AUDIT_MGMT.TRANSFER_UNIFIED_AUDIT_RECORDS;
```
 - Only applicable if upgrading from Oracle Database 12.1

More Information | Client Connectivity

MOS Note: 207303.1

Client / Server Interoperability Support Matrix for Different Oracle Versions

Client Version	Server Version									
	21c	19c	18c	12.2.0	12.1.0	11.2.0	11.1.0	10.2.0	10.1.0	9.2.0
21c	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No
19c	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes ^{#9}	No	No	No ^{#3}	No ^{#3}
18c	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes ^{#9}	No	No	No ^{#3}	No ^{#3}
12.2.0	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes ^{#9}	No	No	No ^{#3}	No ^{#3}
12.1.0	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Was	Was ^{#7}	No ^{#3}	No ^{#3}
11.2.0	No	Yes ^{#9}	Yes ^{#9}	Yes ^{#9}	Yes	Yes	Was	Was ^{#7}	No	Was ^{#5}
11.1.0	No	No	No	No	Was	Was	Was	Was ^{#7}	Was ^{#6}	Was ^{#5}
10.2.0	No	No ^{#10}	No ^{#10}	No ^{#10}	Was ^{#7}	Was ^{#7}	Was ^{#7}	Was	Was	Was ^{#5}
10.1.0 ^{#4}	No	No	No	No	No	Was ^{#6}	Was ^{#6}	Was	Was	Was
9.2.0	No	No	No	No	No ^{#8}	Was ^{#5}	Was ^{#5}	Was ^{#5}	Was	Was

More Information | JDBC/JDK Connectivity

Oracle JDBC FAQ

<https://www.oracle.com/technetwork/database/enterprise-edition/jdbc-faq-090281.html>

Oracle Database version	JDBC Jar files specific to the release
19.3	ojdbc10.jar with JDK10, JDK11 ojdbc8.jar with JDK8, JDK9, JDK11
18.3	ojdbc8.jar with JDK8, JDK9, JDK10, JDK11
12.2 or 12cR2	ojdbc8.jar with JDK 8
12.1 or 12cR1	ojdbc7.jar with JDK 7 and JDK 8 ojdbc6.jar with JDK 6
11.2 or 11gR2	ojdbc6.jar with JDK 6, JDK 7, and JDK 8 (Note: JDK7 and JDK8 are supported in 11.2.0.3 and 11.2.0.4 only) ojdbc5.jar with JDK 5



Things to know

Best Practices and things to take care on

Oracle 19c | Multimedia Removal

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Oracle Multimedia is desupported in Oracle Database 19c, and the implementation is removed.

[Database 19c Upgrade Guide](#)

- API is removed, component (ORDIM) still exist
- If not in use, recommended to remove before upgrade
- Oracle Locator still exists and works
- Blog post: [Simple migration from Oracle multimedia to secure-file blob data type](#)

Oracle 19c | Multimedia Removal

More information

- <https://mikedietrichde.com/2019/02/18/oracle-multimedia-will-be-removed-in-oracle-database-19c/>
- [MOS Note: 2347372.1 – Oracle Multimedia Statement of Direction](#)
- [MOS Note: 2375644.1 – How To Migrate Data From Oracle Multimedia Data Types to BLOB columns](#)

Oracle 19c | Streams Removal

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Starting in Oracle Database 19c (19.1), Oracle Streams is desupported. Oracle GoldenGate is the replication solution for Oracle Database.

[Database 19c Upgrade Guide](#)

- Oracle Database Advanced Queuing is not deprecated
- Fully supported in Oracle Database 19c

Oracle 19c | Streams Removal

How to migrate from Streams to GoldenGate

[Oracle Streams to Oracle GoldenGate Conversion
\(Doc ID 1383303.1\)](#)

[Oracle Streams to GoldenGate Migration Utility
\(Doc ID 1912338.1\)](#)

Oracle Streams to GoldenGate Migration Utility (Doc ID 1912338.1)

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APPLIES TO:

Oracle Database - Enterprise Edition - Version 11.2.0.4 and later

Oracle GoldenGate - Version 12.1.2.0.0 and later

Oracle Database Cloud Schema Service - Version N/A and later

Oracle Database Exadata Cloud Machine - Version N/A and later

Oracle Cloud Infrastructure - Database Service - Version N/A and later

Information in this document applies to any platform.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this article is to discuss The Oracle Streams to Oracle GoldenGate Migration Utility.

Oracle 19c | DBMS_JOB Behavior Change

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Oracle continues to support the DBMS_JOB package. However, you must grant the CREATE JOB privilege to the database schemas that submit DBMS_JOB jobs.

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[Database 19c Upgrade Guide](#)

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Oracle 19c | DBMS_JOB Behavior Change

More information

- The check (JOB_TABLE_INTEGRITY) in `preupgrade.jar` is only checking for inconsistencies or any issues

JOB_TABLE_INTEGRITY	Starting with Oracle Database 19c, jobs created and managed through DBMS_JOB package in previous database versions will be re-created using Oracle Scheduler architecture. Jobs not successfully re-created may not function properly after upgrade.	Fix the metadata for the DBMS_JOB jobs listed below before upgrading the database to ensure these jobs can be properly re-created, or drop them if no longer needed. For reference, check the section "Summary of DBMS_JOB Subprograms" in the Oracle Database PL/SQL Packages and Types Reference documentation.	{1}	WARNING	PRE	NONE	19.1
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[MOS Note: 2380601.1 - Database Preupgrade tool check list](#)

- https://mikedietrichde.com/2019/05/24/dbms_job-behavior-change-in-oracle-19c-during-upgrade/

Health Check | **hcheck.sql**

If your database is highly important, do a health check

- Lightweight, non-intrusive script
- Checks consistency of selected dictionary relationships
- [hcheck.sql - Script to Check for Known Problems \(Doc ID 136697.1\)](#)

```
SQL> @/tmp/hcheck
H.Check Version 4.4 on 01-MAR-2018 23:46:27
-----
Catalog Version 11.2.0.4.0 (1102000400)
db_name: UPGR

Procedure Name          Catalog      Fixed
Result                 Version     Vs Release   Timestamp
-----
```

.. LobNotInObj	... 1102000400	<= *All Rel*	03/01 23:46:27	PASS
.. MissingOIDOnObjCol	... 1102000400	<= *All Rel*	03/01 23:46:27	PASS
.. SourceNotInObj	... 1102000400	<= *All Rel*	03/01 23:46:27	FAIL

HCKE-0003: SOURCE\$ for OBJ# not in OBJ\$ (Doc ID 1360233.1)
SOURCES has 4 rows for 1 OBJ# values not in OBJ\$

```
.. OversizedFiles    ... 1102000400 <= *All Rel* 03/01 23:46:27 PASS
```

AutoUpgrade | Gathering Fixed Objects Stats

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After an upgrade, or after other database configuration changes, Oracle strongly recommends that you regather fixed object statistics after you have run representative workloads on Oracle Database.

[Database 19c Upgrade Guide, chapter 7](#)

Never run it right after upgrade

AutoUpgrade | Gathering Fixed Objects Stats

Ask yourself: Do you remember this?

If not, DBMS_SCHEDULER to the rescue

AutoUpgrade | Gathering Fixed Objects Stats

1. Create a .sql script

```
BEGIN
  DBMS_SCHEDULER.CREATE_JOB (
    job_name => '"SYS"."GATHER_FIXED_OBJECTS_STATS_ONE_TIME"',
    job_type => 'PLSQL_BLOCK',
    job_action => 'BEGIN DBMS_STATS.GATHER_FIXED_OBJECTS_STATS; END;',
    start_date => SYSDATE+7,
    auto_drop => TRUE,
    comments => 'Gather fixed objects stats after upgrade - one time'
  );
  DBMS_SCHEDULER.ENABLE (
    name => '"SYS"."GATHER_FIXED_OBJECTS_STATS_ONE_TIME"'
  );
END;
/
```

AutoUpgrade | Gathering Fixed Objects Stats

2. Create a .sh script

```
$ORACLE_HOME/perl/bin/perl $ORACLE_HOME/rdbms/admin/catcon.pl \
-n 4 -e \
-C 'PDB$SEED' \
-b sched_gfos -d /home/oracle/sched_gfos/ sched_gfos.sql
```

3. Execute .sh script after upgrade

```
upg1.after_action=/home/oracle/sched_gfos/sched_gfos.sh
```

Further information and non-CDB example in [blog post](#)

AutoUpgrade | Gathering Fixed Objects Stats

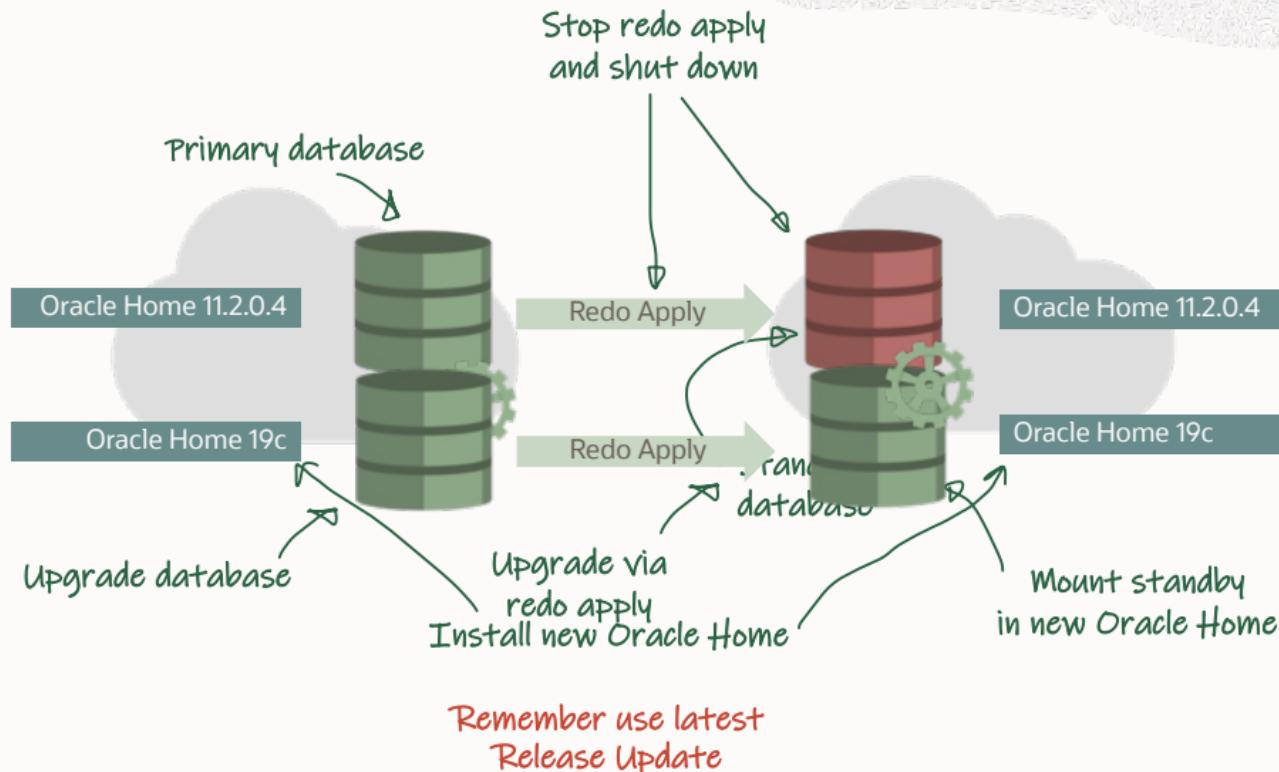
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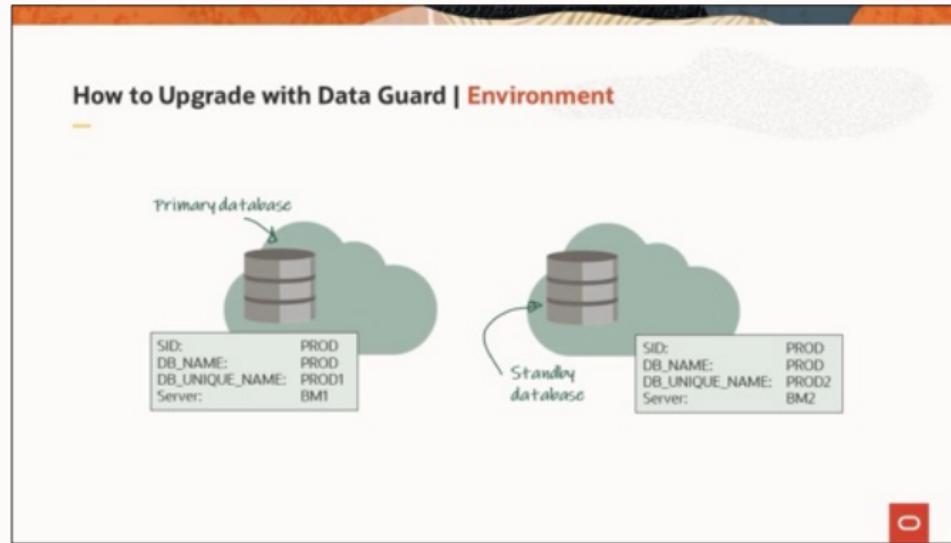
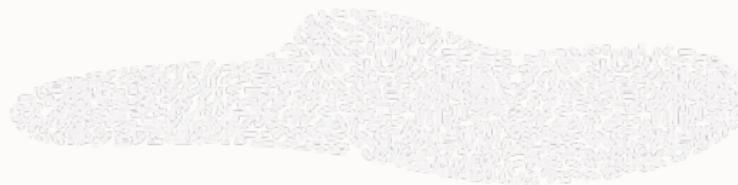
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Upgrade with Physical Standbys in place

Upgrade with Data Guard | Concept



Upgrade with Data Guard | Demo



Upgrade with Data Guard | **Redo Apply**



Keep standby database in MOUNT mode until the redo from the upgrade has been applied

Upgrade with Data Guard | **Blog Post**



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How to Upgrade with Data Guard

November 26, 2020 6 Minutes

You can upgrade your database to a new release, and keep the data guard setup intact. The standby database(s) can be upgraded implicitly via the redo from the primary database, and there is no need to rebuild the standby database after upgrade.

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Alternative Upgrade Options

Any other ways to upgrade databases?

Alternative Upgrade Options | Command Line

preupgrade.jar

- Download the newest from MOS Note: 884522.1
- You need to do everything by yourself
- Not supported anymore from 21c
 - `java -jar autoupgrade.jar -preupgrade "target_version=21"`

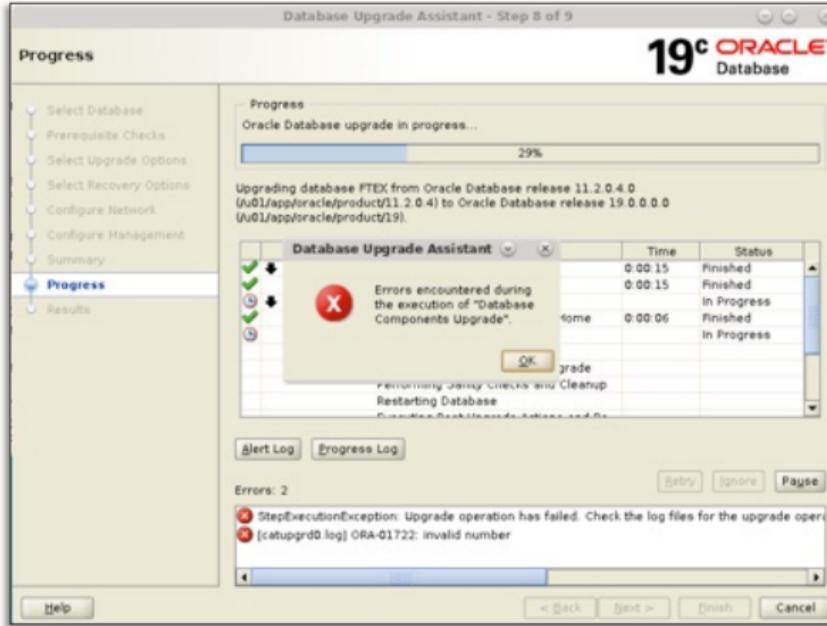
dbupgrade

- Can be used without parameters
- Wrapper for `catctl.pl` with default settings

Alternative Upgrade Options | GUI

Database Upgrade Assistant

- Not our choice
- Not fully resumable
 - [See Blog Post](#)





Fallback Strategies

For Database Upgrades

Fallback | Database Downgrade

Works also days after the upgrade without losing any changes

- `COMPATIBLE` must not be changed
- If timezone file was upgraded, same timezone file must be present in old Oracle Home

Fallback | Database Downgrade

In new, higher release Oracle Home (e.g., 19c)

```
SQL> startup downgrade
SQL> @?/rdbms/admin/catdwgrd.sql
SQL> shutdown immediate
```

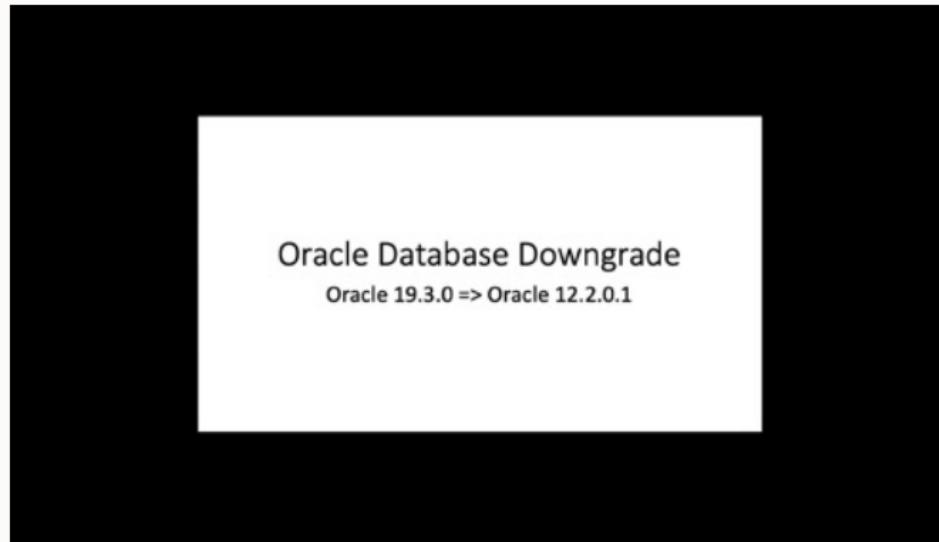
Start database in old, lower release Oracle Home (e.g., 11.2.0.4)

```
SQL> startup upgrade
SQL> @?/rdbms/admin/catrelod.sql
```

In addition,

- Recompile object (utl_rlp)
- Run datapatch
- Gather stats (dictionary, fixed objects and optimizer)
- Grid Infrastructure and /etc/oratab

Fallback | Database Downgrade



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Fallback | Database Downgrade

A downgraded database is **not** identical to the pre-upgraded database

The data dictionary will be different - but compatible

Examples:

- New table is not dropped, but truncated
- New index is not dropped
- Generally, dropping is avoid

Fallback | Flashback Database

Puts the database back into the state it had before the upgrade

- Fast - typically an upgrade is reverted in 5-10 minutes
- Standard technique in AutoUpgrade
- Requires Enterprise Edition
- Requires ARCHIVELOG mode
- 10-20 GB of Flashback logs
- **COMPATIBLE must not be changed**

Fallback | Flashback Database

Pre Upgrade Environment	Post Upgrade Environment
CREATE RESTORE POINT grpt GUARANTEE FLASHBACK DATABASE;	
	UPGRADE 
	SHUTDOWN IMMEDIATE
	STARTUP MOUNT;
	FLASHBACK DATABASE TO RESTORE POINT grpt ;
	SHUTDOWN IMMEDIATE
STARTUP MOUNT;	
ALTER DATABASE OPEN RESETLOGS;	
DROP RESTORE POINT grpt ;	

Fallback | Flashback Database

Guaranteed Restore Points

```
upgl.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/12.2.0.1
upgl.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19
upgl.sid=CDB1
upgl.restoration=yes
upgl.drop_grp_after_upgrade=no
```

- Default behavior:
 - AutoUpgrade creates GRP except for
 - Standard Edition 2
 - `restoration=no`
 - GRP will be kept
 - GRP needs to be removed manually except for
 - `drop_grp_after_upgrade=yes` will only remove it when upgrade completed successfully

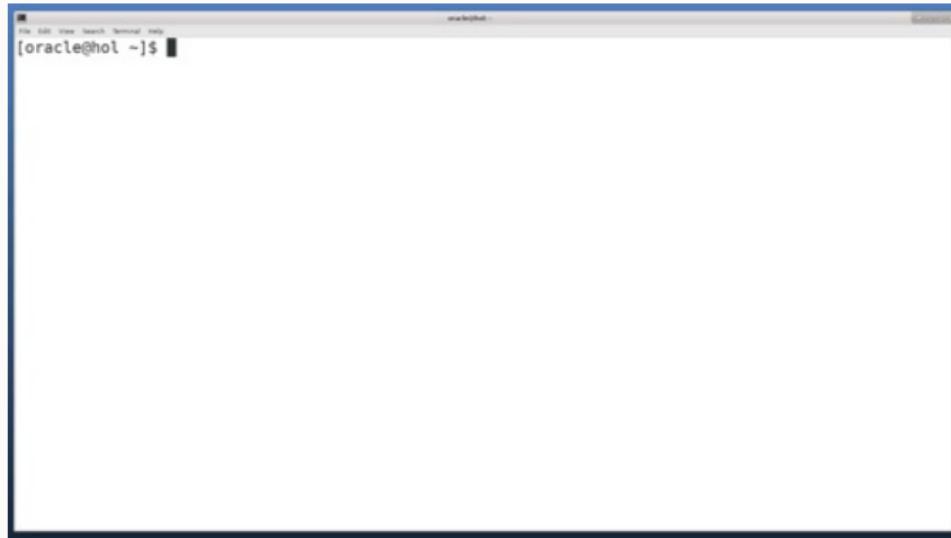
Fallback | Flashback Database

Use AutoUpgrade to:

- Flashback the database
- Revert a plug-in operation (only when data files are copied)
- Revert a non-CDB to PDB conversion (only when data files are copied)

```
java -jar autoupgrade.jar -restore -jobs n
```

Fallback | Flashback Database



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Fallback | Partial Offline Backup

A database upgrade does not touch user data

Your data files



Partial offline backup (plus redo log and control files)



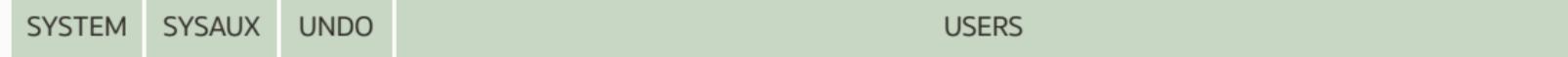
Start upgrade

Pro tip: Works for SE2 and databases in NOARCHIVELOG mode

Fallback | Partial Offline Backup

To restore

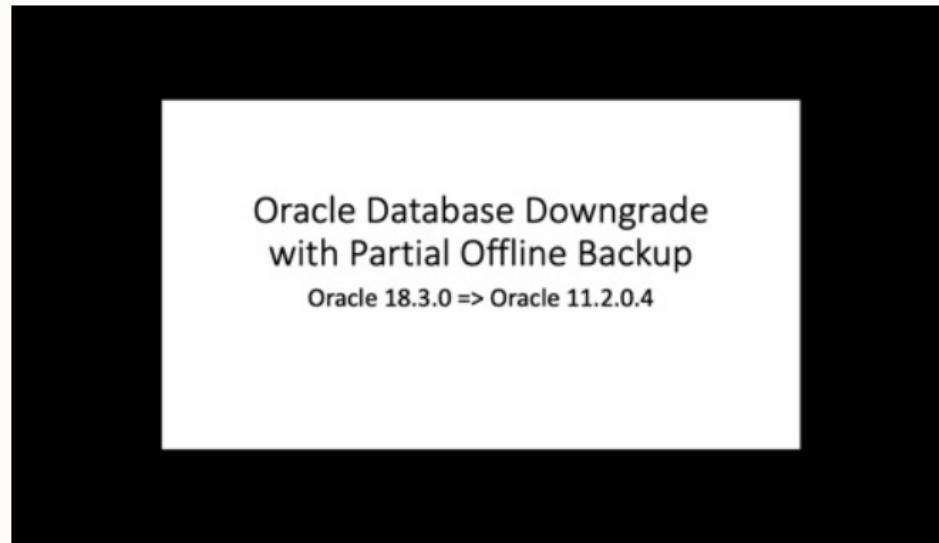
Your data files



Your backup (plus redo log and control files)

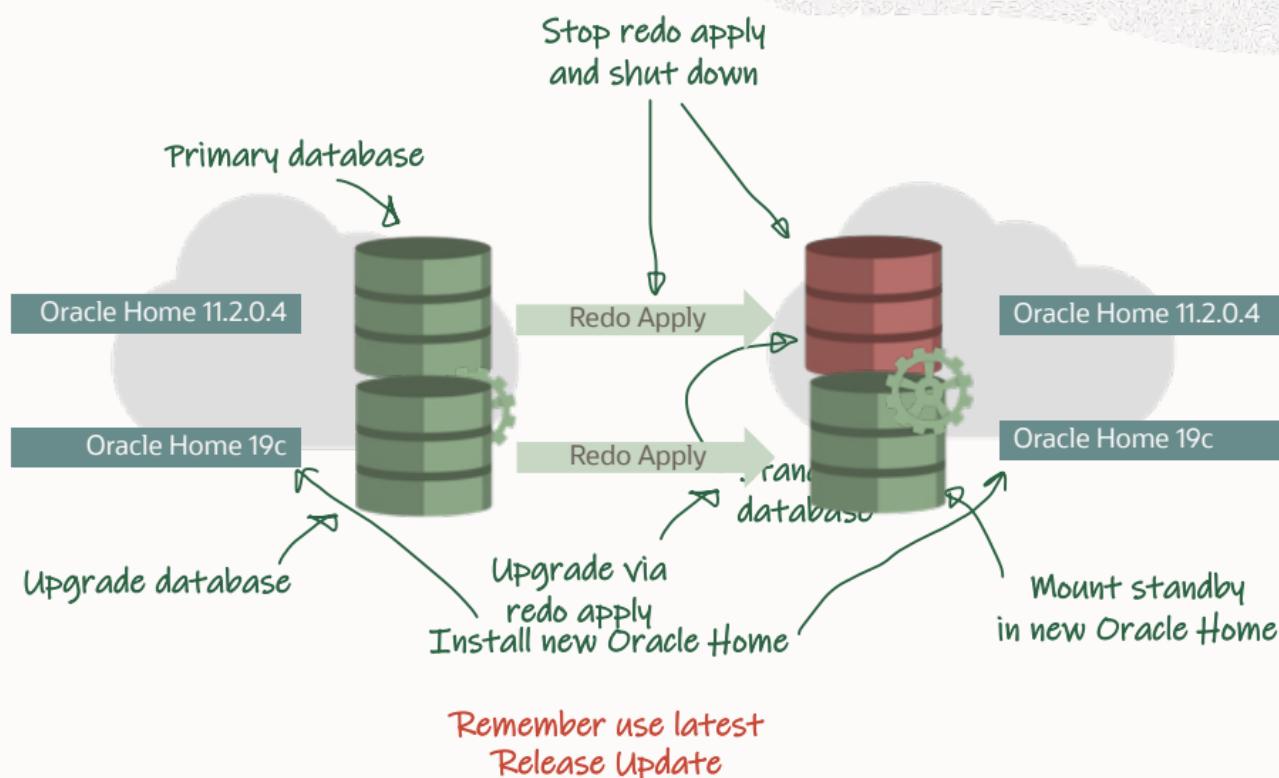


Fallback | Partial Offline Backup

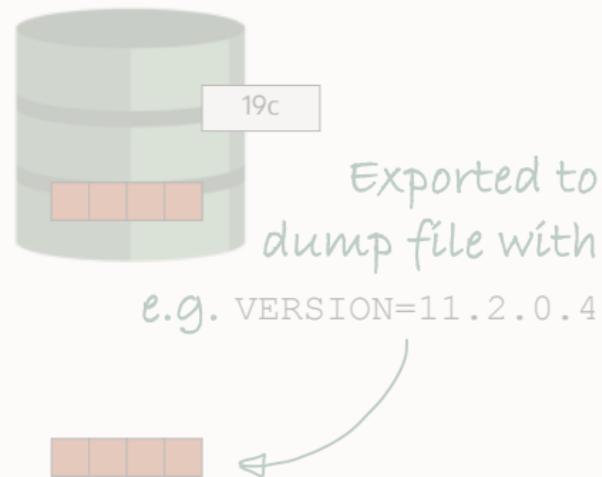
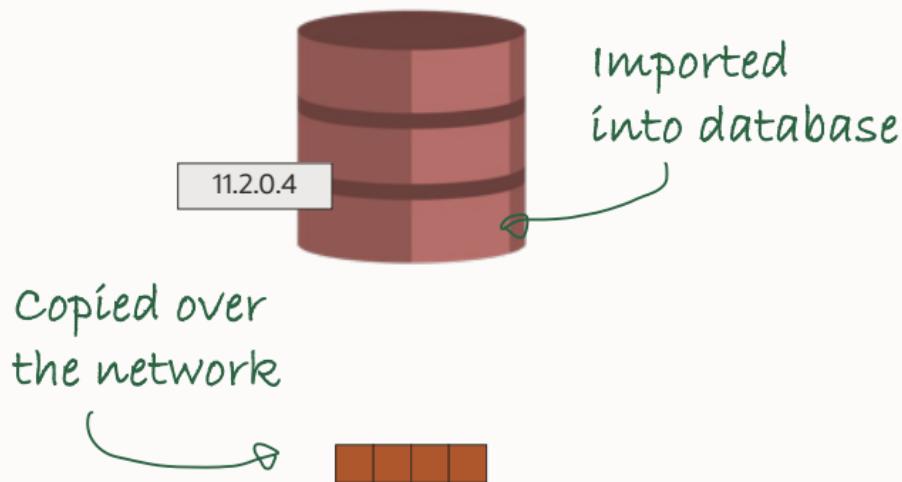


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Fallback | Data Guard



Fallback | Data Pump



Fallback | Data Pump

To create a dump file compatible with a lower release

```
version=11.2.0.4
```

Other options are

- COMPATIBLE
- LATEST

[Export/Import DataPump Parameter VERSION - Compatibility of Data Pump Between Different Oracle Versions \(Doc ID 553337.1\)](#)

Pro tip: Read more about [VERSION](#) in the documentation

Fallback | Grid Infrastructure Downgrade

- Documentation

Options for Oracle Grid Infrastructure Downgrades

You can downgrade Oracle Grid Infrastructure 19c to earlier releases.

Downgrade options include the following earlier releases:

- Oracle Grid Infrastructure downgrade to Oracle Grid Infrastructure 18c.
- Oracle Grid Infrastructure downgrade to Oracle Grid Infrastructure 12c Release 2 (12.2).
- Oracle Grid Infrastructure downgrade to Oracle Grid Infrastructure 12c Release 1 (12.1).
- Oracle Grid Infrastructure downgrade to Oracle Grid Infrastructure 11g Release 2 (11.2). Because all cluster configurations in Oracle Grid Infrastructure 19c are Oracle Flex Clusters, when you downgrade to Oracle Grid Infrastructure 11g Release 2 (11.2), you downgrade from an Oracle Flex cluster configuration to a Standard cluster configuration.

Note: When you downgrade Oracle Grid Infrastructure to an earlier release, for example from Oracle Grid Infrastructure 19c to Oracle Grid Infrastructure 18c, the later release RAC databases already registered with Oracle Grid Infrastructure will not start after the downgrade.

Related Topics

- [My Oracle Support Note 2180188.1](#)

Parent topic: [Downgrading Oracle Clusterware to an Earlier Release](#)



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Webinar: AutoUpgrade to Oracle Database 19c

[Recording](#)

[Slides](#)

Chapter 3

Upgrade Internals



Database Upgrade Basics





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Database Upgrade

Why is Upgrade so different?

Why Upgrade is Different | Short or Long?

Things that matter a lot

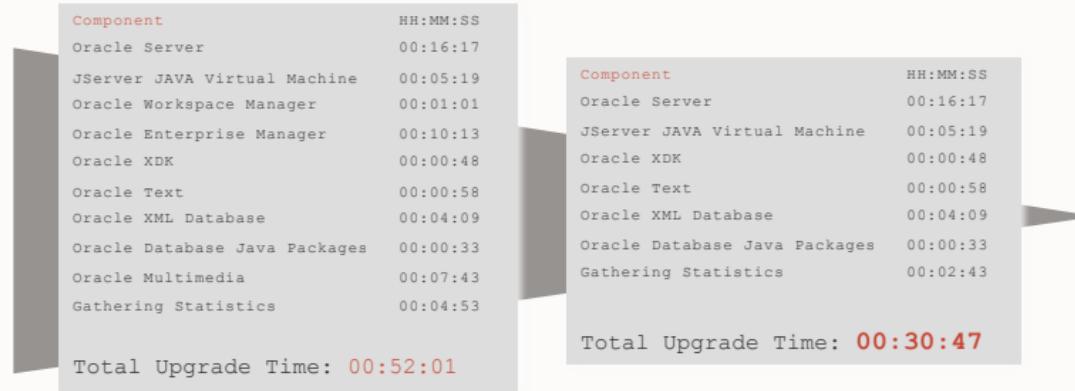
- Number of installed components  `select COMP_ID, STATUS from CDB_REGISTRY;`
- Size & complexity of dictionary  `select count(*) from OBJ$;`
- Some feature/version combinations

Things that matter a little

- CPU and disk speed
- SGA/PGA

Things that don't matter

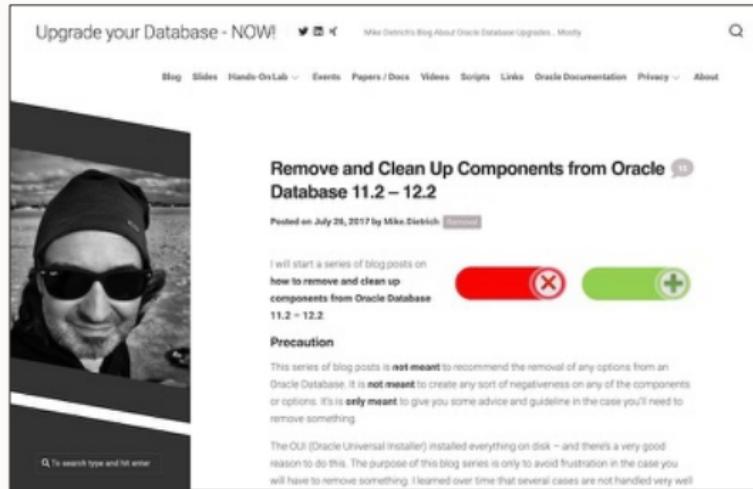
- Amount of user data



Why Upgrade is Different | Component Invalid or Removal?

Remove and Clean Up Components

- If you plan to do this, **do it BEFORE** the upgrade
- Especially components which don't exist in the new release should be removed beforehand

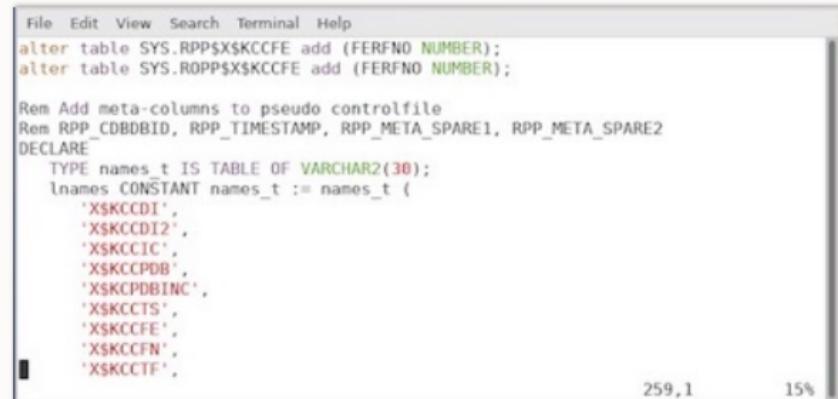


Why Upgrade is Different | DDL Workload

Heavy **DDL** workload

- A trivial upgrade from **11.2.0.4 to 19c** includes approximately
 - **2,500** **ALTERS** (mostly tables, also types and users)
 - **16,500** **CREATE OR REPLACES** (views, types, synonyms, procedures, packages, functions)
 - **10,200** **GRANT** statements
 - **1150** **CREATE TABLE** statements
 - **360** **CREATE INDEX** statements
 - And more...

Almost exclusively in **SYSTEM**,
partially also in **SYSAUX** tablespaces



```
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
alter table SYS.RPP$X$KCCFE add (FERFNO NUMBER);
alter table SYS.ROPP$X$KCCFE add (FERFNO NUMBER);

Rem Add meta-columns to pseudo controlfile
Rem RPP_CDBDBID, RPP_TIMESTAMP, RPP_META_SPARE1, RPP_META_SPARE2
DECLARE
  TYPE names_t IS TABLE OF VARCHAR2(30);
  lnames CONSTANT names_t := names_t (
    'X$KCCD1',
    'X$KCCD12',
    'X$KCCIC',
    'X$KCCPDB',
    'X$KCPDBINC',
    'X$KCCTS',
    'X$KCCFE',
    'X$KCCFN',
    'X$KCCTF',
```

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Why Upgrade is Different | Upgrade Mode

STARTUP UPGRADE limits many aspects of the database

- Requires SYSDBA privilege
- Suppresses expected errors
 - Based on object type and error code
 - Example: ORA-955 during CREATE TABLE ("table or view does exist")
- Enforces exclusive access for the upgrade process
 - CLUSTER_DATABASE=FALSE
 - No system triggers
 - No AQ
 - No resource manager
 - No AWR
 - etc.

```
ALTER SYSTEM SET _system_trig_enabled=FALSE SCOPE=MEMORY;
Autotune of undo retention is turned off.
ALTER SYSTEM SET _undo_autotune=FALSE SCOPE=MEMORY;
ALTER SYSTEM SET undo_retention=900 SCOPE=MEMORY;
ALTER SYSTEM SET aq_tm_processes=0 SCOPE=MEMORY;
ALTER SYSTEM SET enable_ddl_logging=FALSE SCOPE=MEMORY;
Resource Manager disabled during database migration: plan '' not set
ALTER SYSTEM SET resource_manager_plan='' SCOPE=MEMORY;
ALTER SYSTEM SET recyclebin='OFF' DEFERRED SCOPE=MEMORY;
Resource Manager disabled during database migration
```

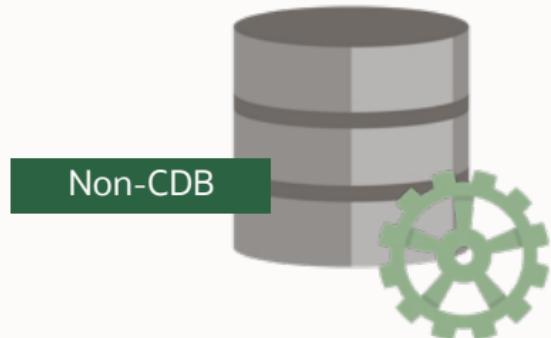
Note:This is an excerpt from the alert.log – these parameters will be set implicitly during a STARTUP UPGRADE

Why Upgrade is Different | **Upgrade Mode**

What happens during an upgrade?

- Upgrade scripts
 - Example: c18.sql, i18.sql
- Install scripts
 - Example: catalog.sql, catproc.sql, a18.sql

Parallel Upgrade | Non-CDB

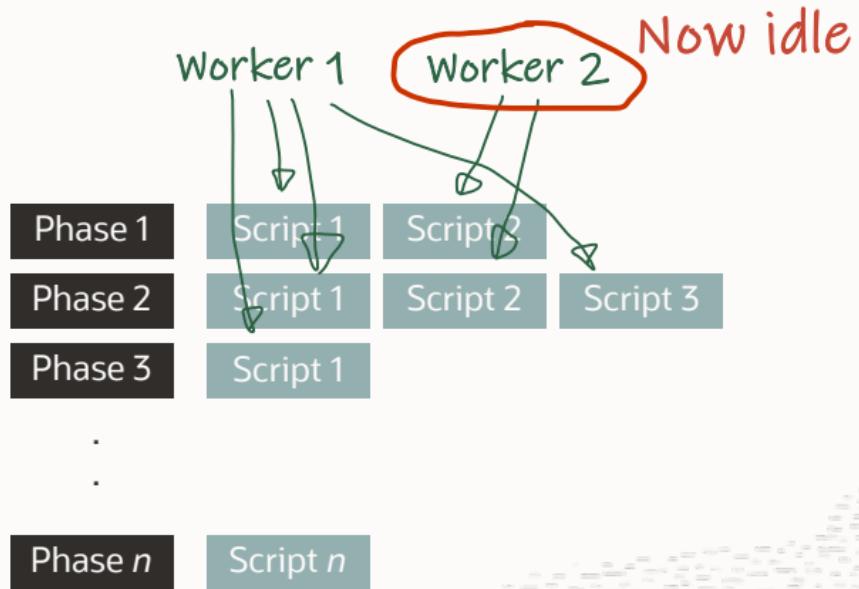


A number of parallel processes

- Minimum 1
- Maximum 8
- Default 4

```
$ dbupgrade -n 2
```

Parallel Upgrade | Non-CDB



Parallel Upgrade | Non-CDB



Does **not** scale linear

Contention

Parallel Upgrade | Benchmark



Bare Metal DB System
36 OCPUs
768 GB memory
NVMe disks

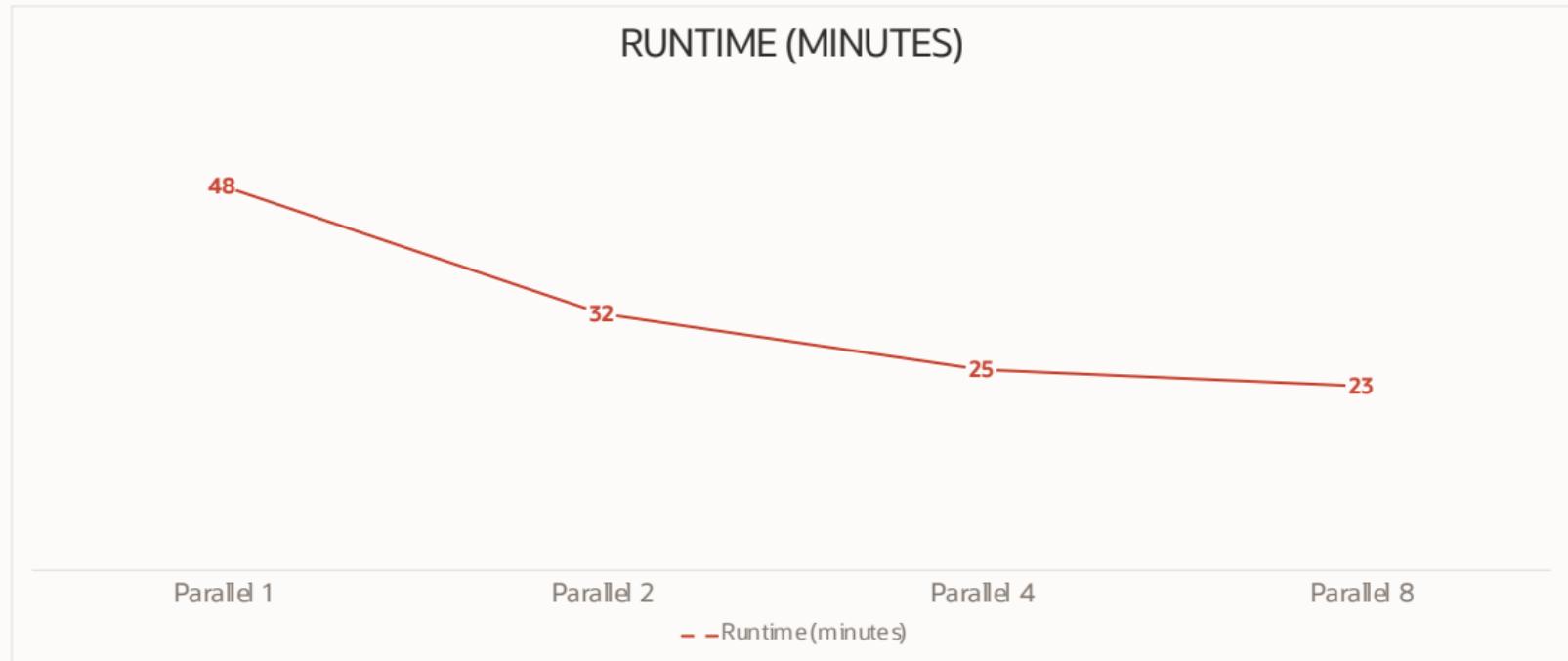


11.2.0.4
8 GB SGA
2 GB PGA
8 CPU_COUNT

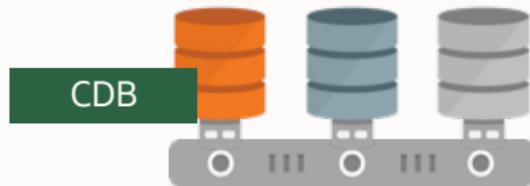
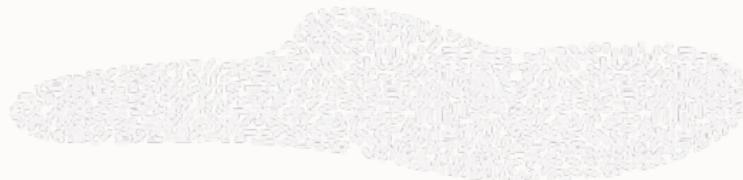


AMD	ORDIM
APS	OWB
CATALOG	OWM
CATJAVA	RUL
CATPROC	SDO
CONTEXT	XDB
EXF	XML
JAVAVM	XOQ

Parallel Upgrade | Benchmark



Parallel Upgrade | Container Database

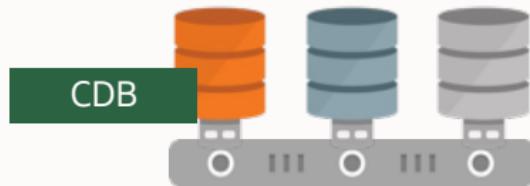
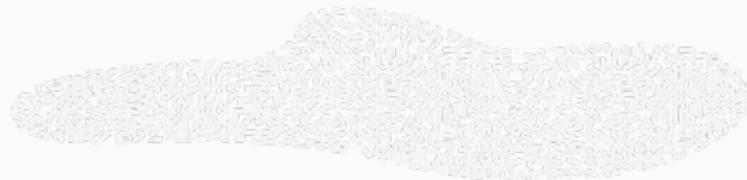


A number of processors are assigned

- Minimum 4
- Maximum unlimited
- Default CPU count

```
$ dbupgrade -n 4
```

Parallel Upgrade | Container Database

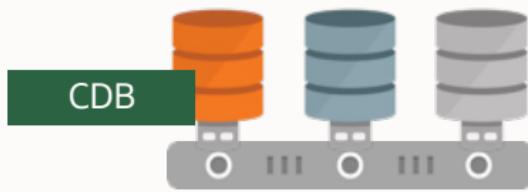
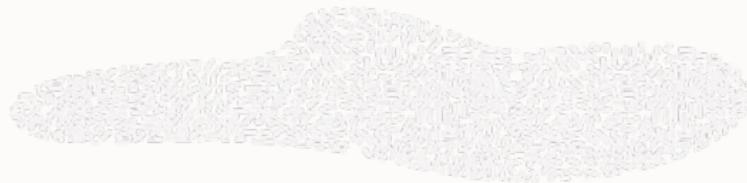


Each PDB gets a number of parallel processes

- Minimum 1
- Maximum 8
- Default 2

```
$ dbupgrade -N 2
```

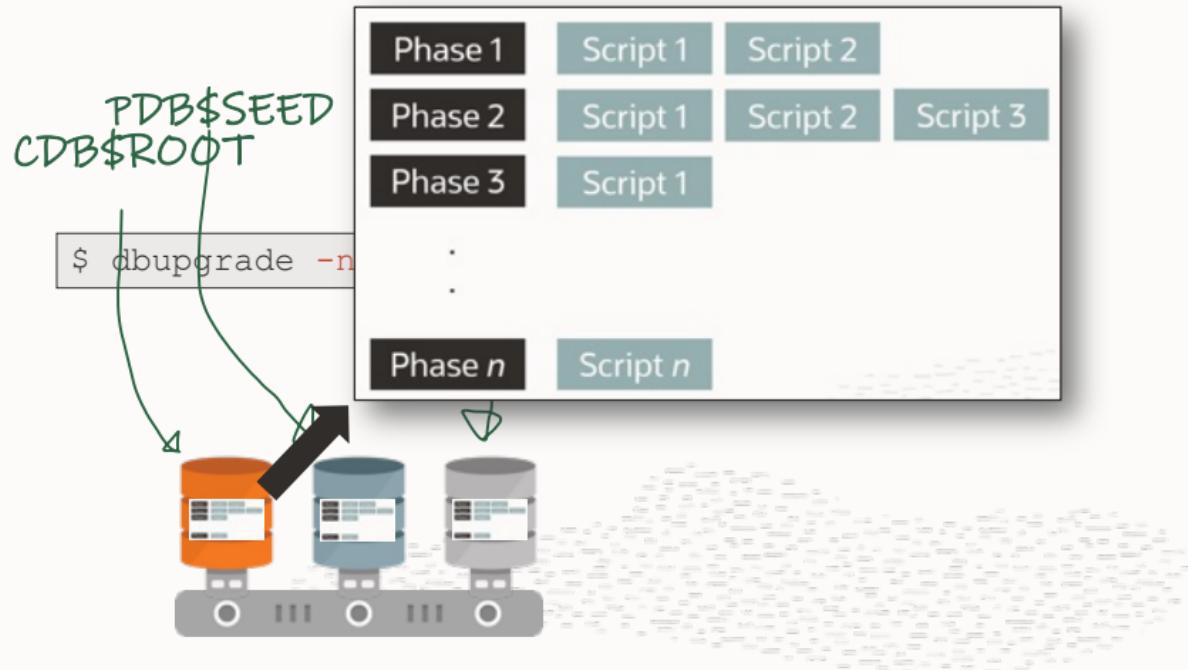
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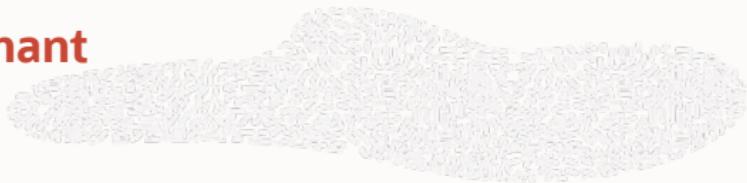
But - there is another **limit**

$$\frac{\text{Total number of processors (n)}}{\text{Processor per PDB (N)}} = \text{PDBs upgraded simultaneously}$$

Parallel Upgrade | Single Tenant

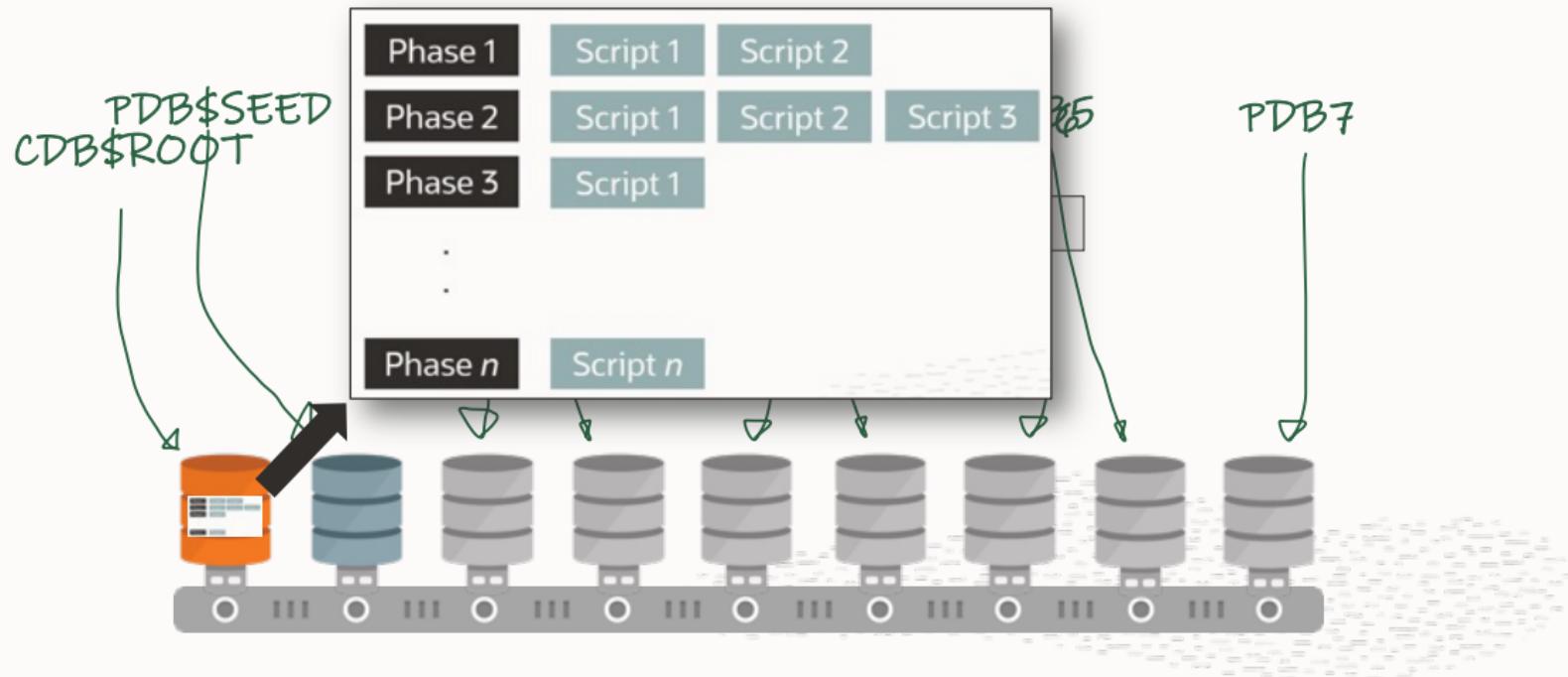


Parallel Upgrade | Non-CDB vs. Single Tenant

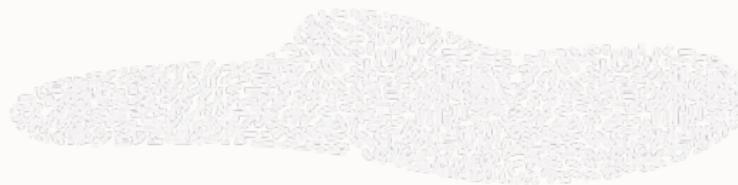


Non-CDB is always **faster**
than single tenant

Parallel Upgrade | Multitenant

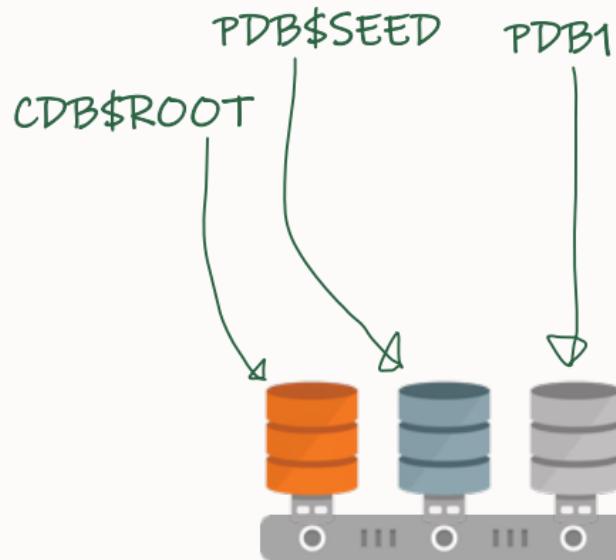


Parallel Upgrade | Multitenant

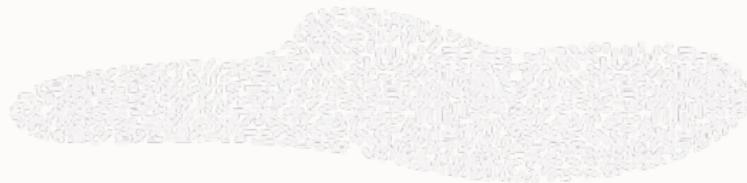


Scale by upgrading
more PDBs simultaneously

Parallel Upgrade | Unplug-plug Upgrade



Parallel Upgrade | **Unplug-plug**



Unplug-plug always **faster** than

Non-CDB
Single Tenant
Multitenant

Parallel Upgrade | How Does It Work



Few PDBs

More processors per PDB

Increase parameter N

Parallel Upgrade | How Does It Work

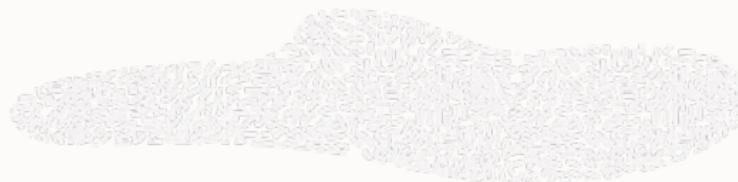


Many PDBs

Less processors per PDB

Decrease parameter N

Parallel Upgrade | How Does It Work

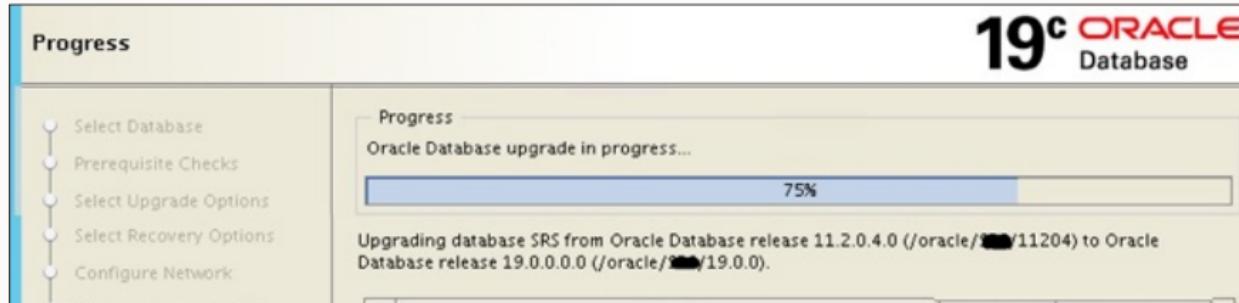


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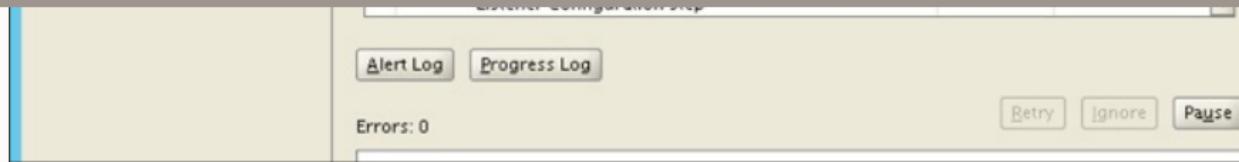
It depends



How long will my upgrade take?



This progress bar never scales accurately!





We can't tell you upfront

Basic Facts | How long does an upgrade take?

Things that matter a lot

- Number of installed components
- Size & complexity of data dictionary

Things that matter a little

- CPU and disk speed
- SGA/PGA

Things that don't matter (usually)

- Amount of user data



We can't change the size or complexity
of the data dictionary,
but we can check components



Remove desupported components
before upgrade

Oracle 19c | Multimedia Removal

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Oracle Multimedia is desupported in Oracle Database 19c, and the implementation is removed.

[Database 19c Upgrade Guide](#)

- API is removed, **component (ORDIM)** still exist
- If not in use, recommended to remove before upgrade
- Oracle Locator still exists and works
- Blog post: [Simple migration from Oracle multimedia to secure-file blob data type](#)



Most components can be removed online

Components | All vs. Minimum

Oracle Database 19c by default has 15 components in CDB_REGISTRY

- One set in CDB\$ROOT
- One set in PDB\$SEED
- One set in each PDB

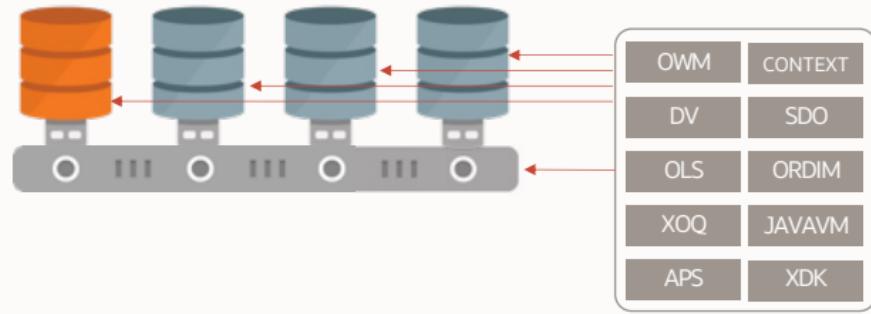
Each component runs upgrade scripts

- Most components upgrade serially, one after another
- Potential contention when many PDB upgrades happen in parallel

Components | Experiment

Container database

- 3 user created PDBs
- PDB\$SEED
- Default set of components

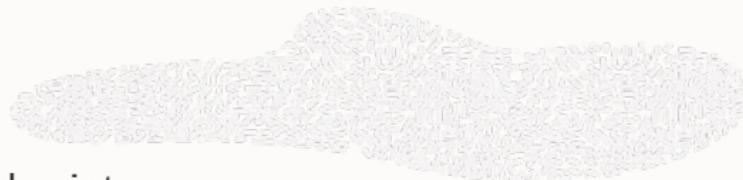


Remove component after component

Compare upgrade timings

- 8 CPU cores
- Classic upgrade enforced for parallel processing of PDBs

Components | Experiment



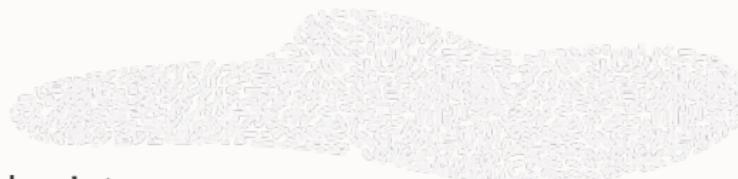
Starting point

- Oracle Database 19.12.0
- 15 components in each container
- 75 entries in REGISTRY\$
- CDB\$ROOT gets upgraded always at first
- 4 PDBs including PDB\$SEED
 - 4 PDBs upgraded in parallel
 - 2 workers each PDB

End point

- Oracle Database 21.3.0
- 4 components in each container
- 20 entries in REGISTRY\$

Components | Experiment



Starting point

COMP_ID	COMP_NAME	STATUS
APS	OLAP Analytic Workspace	VALID
CATALOG	Oracle Database Catalog Views	VALID
CATJAVA	Oracle Database Java Packages	VALID
CATPROC	Oracle Database Packages and Types	VALID
CONTEXT	Oracle Text	VALID
DV	Oracle Database Vault	VALID
JAVAVM	JServer JAVA Virtual Machine	VALID
OLS	Oracle Label Security	VALID
ORDIM	Oracle Multimedia	VALID
OWM	Oracle Workspace Manager	VALID
RAC	Oracle Real Application Clusters	OPTION OFF
SDO	Spatial	VALID
XDB	Oracle XML Database	VALID
XML	Oracle XDK	VALID
XOQ	Oracle OLAP API	VALID

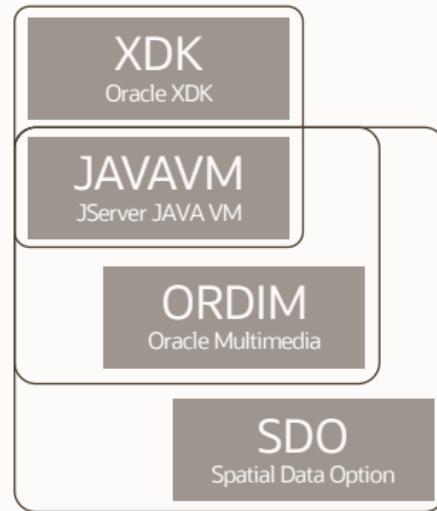
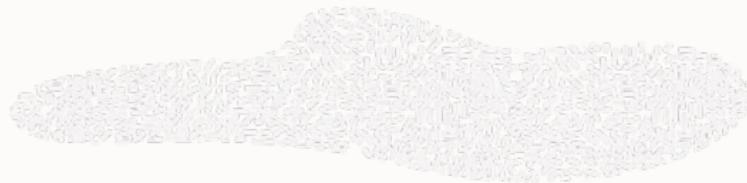
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End point

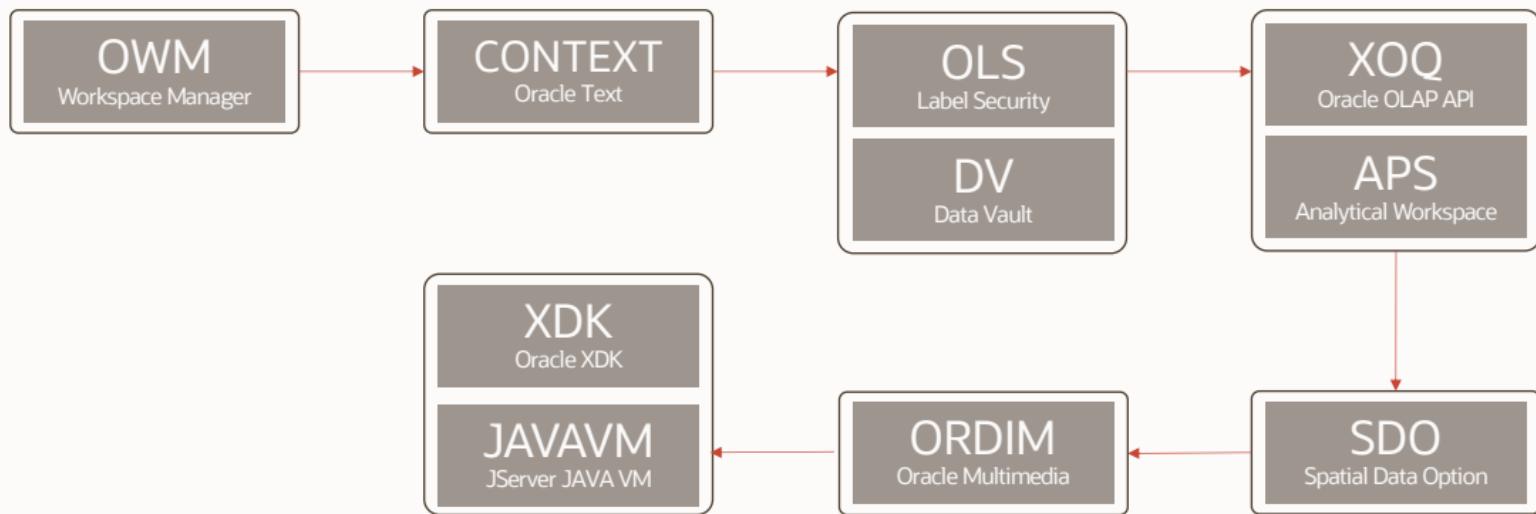
COMP_ID	COMP_NAME	STATUS
CATALOG	Oracle Database Catalog Views	VALID
CATPROC	Oracle Database Packages and Types	VALID
RAC	Oracle Real Application Clusters	OPTION OFF
XDB	Oracle XML Database	VALID

(only one container shown)

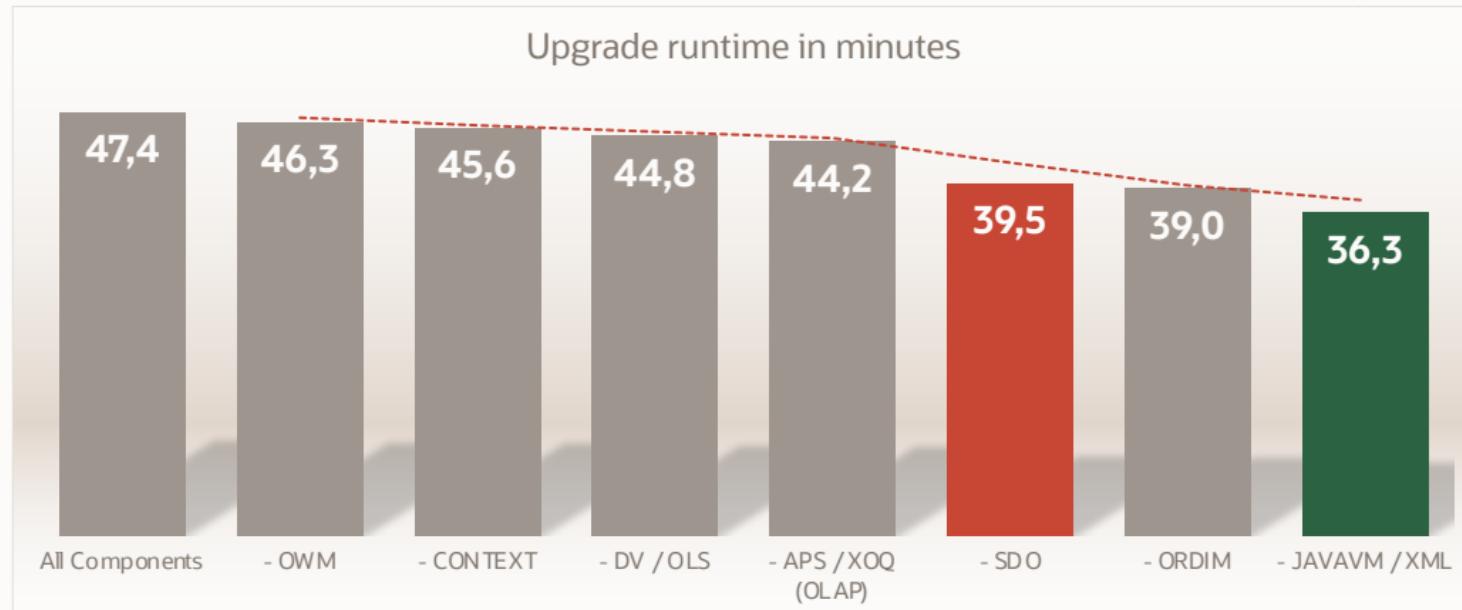
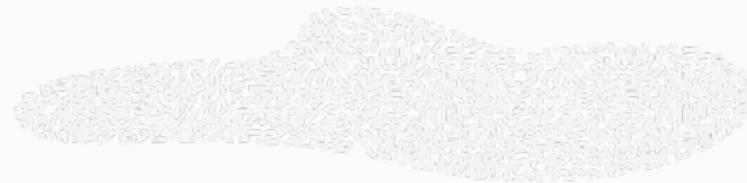
Components | Dependencies



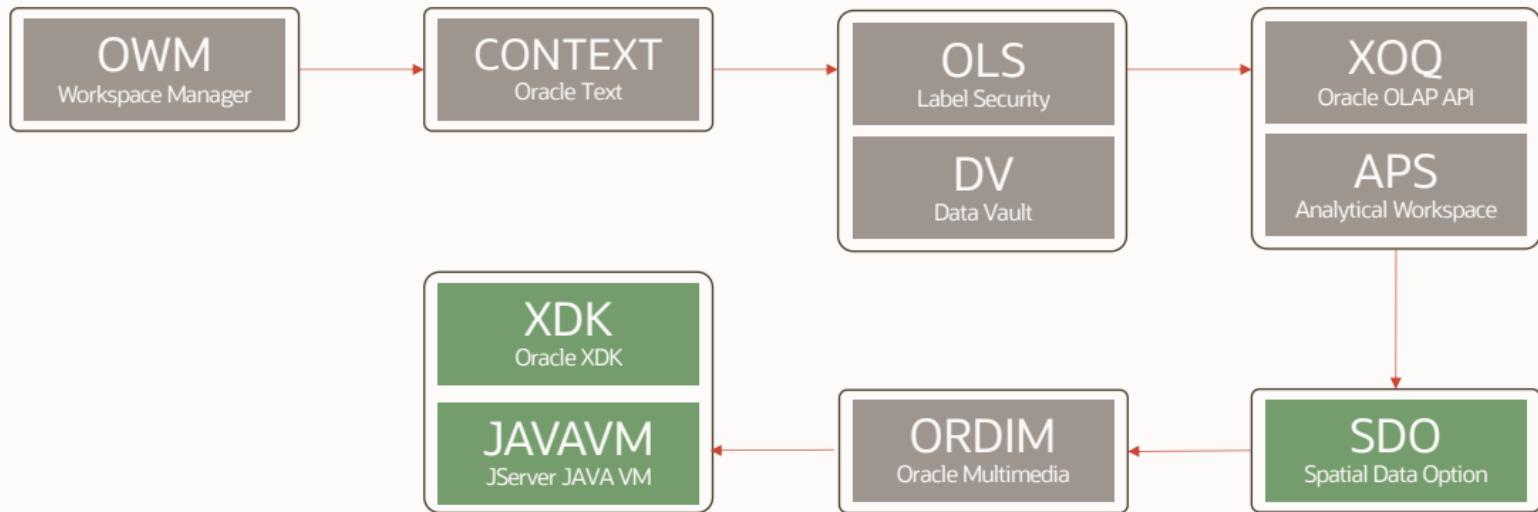
Components | Removal Order



Components | Result



Components | Highest Impact



Components | CDB\$ROOT vs PDB

Do you remember this slide?

Parallel Upgrade | Non-CDB

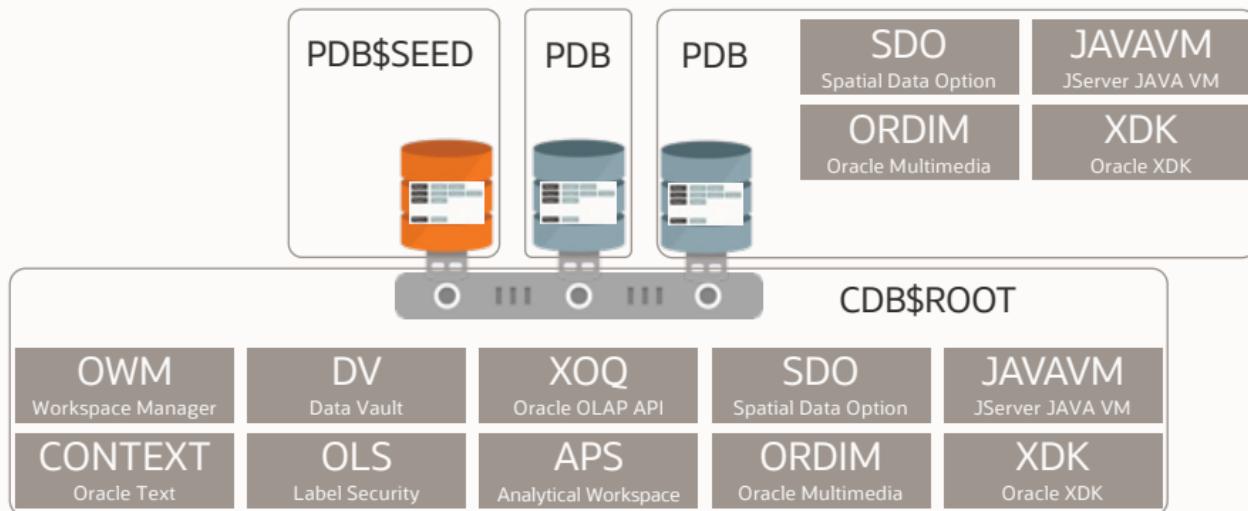


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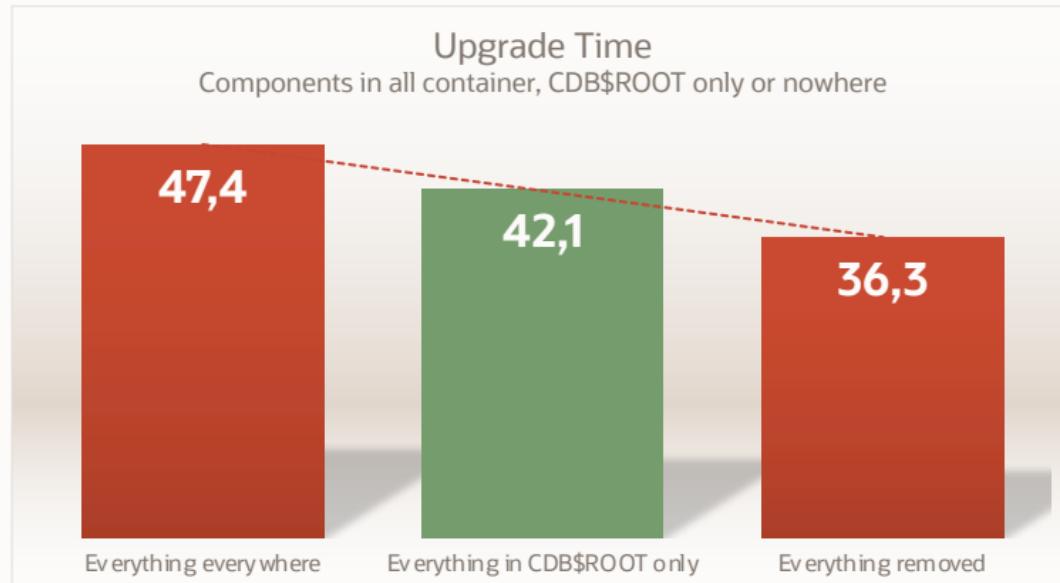
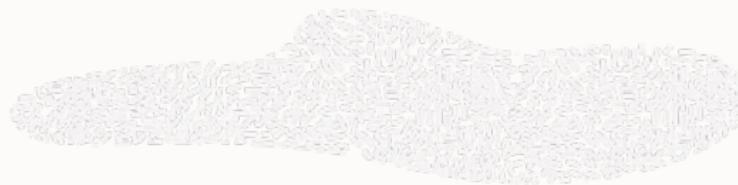
Contention

Components | CDB\$ROOT vs PDB

This may be a solution



Components | Compromise



Components | **Compromise**



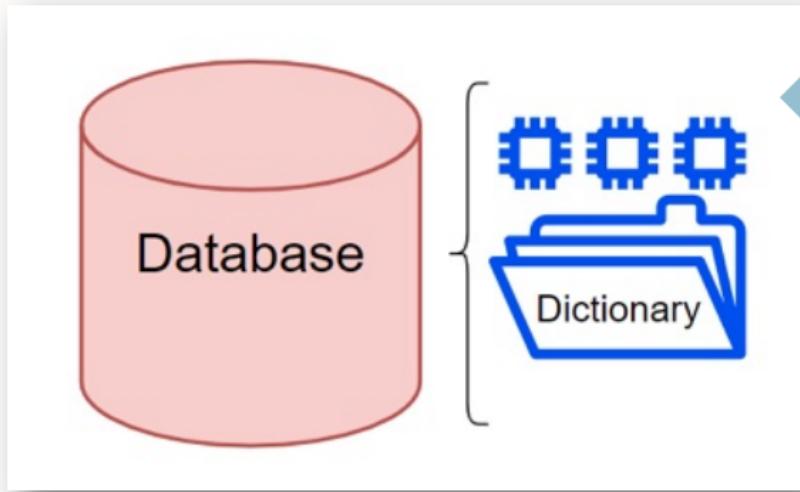
Find the right balance between functionality and complexity

Database Upgrade Internals



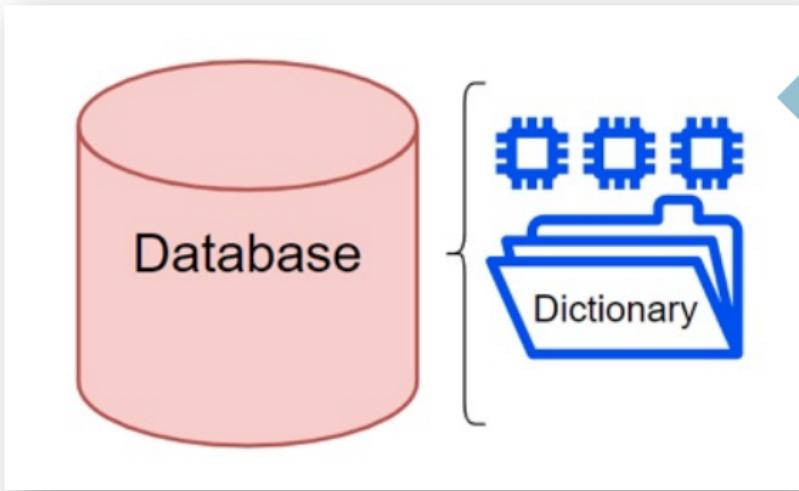
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Upgrade Internals | How does the upgrade process work?



Components

Upgrade Internals | How does the upgrade process work?



```
1 grant read on USER_PLSQL_OBJECT_SETTINGS to public with grant option
2 /
3
4 create or replace view ALL_PLSQL_OBJECT_SETTINGS
5 (OWNER, NAME, TYPE, PLSQL_OPTIMIZE_LEVEL, PLSQL_CODE_TYPE, PLSQL_DEBUG,
6 PLSQL_WARNINGS, NLS_LENGTH_SEMANTICS, PLSQL_CCFLAGS, PLSCOPE_SETTINGS,
7 ORIGIN_CON_ID)
8 ...
9
10 comment on table ALL_PLSQL_OBJECT_SETTINGS is
11 'Compiler settings of stored objects accessible to the user'
12 /
13
```

Upgrade Internals | How does the upgrade process work?

```
1 Total.Number.of.Phases: 108
2 catctlLogon:gInclusion=[e]
3
4 Number.of.Cpus: 4
5 Database.Name: db18x
6 DataBase.Version: 18.0.0.0
7 Parallel.SQL.Process.Count: 4
8 Components.in [db18x]
9 ... Installed [APS-CATALOG-CATJAVA-CATPROC-CONTEXT-DV-JAVAVM-OLS-ORDIM-OWM-SDO-XDB-XML-XOQ]
10 Not.Installed [APEX-EM-MGW-ODM-RAC-WK]
11
12
13 Phases.[0-107]: Start.Time:[2021_02_03-20:40:58]
14
15 ***** Executing Change Scripts *****
16 Serial.Phase.#:0: [db18x] Files:1 Time: 58s
17 ***** Catalog.Core.SQL *****
18 Serial.Phase.#:1: [db18x] Files:5 Time: 520s
19 Restart.Phase.#:2: [db18x] Files:1 Time: 3s
20 ***** Catalog.Tables.and.Views *****
21 Parallel.Phase.#:3: [db18x] Files:19 Time: 303s
22 Restart.Phase.#:4: [db18x] Files:1 Time: 3s
23 ***** Catalog.Final.Scripts *****
24 Serial.Phase.#:5: [db18x] Files:7 Time: 235s
25 ***** Catproc.Start *****
26 Serial.Phase.#:6: [db18x] Files:1 Time: 72s
27 ***** Catproc.Types *****
28 Serial.Phase.#:7: [db18x] Files:2 Time: 62s
29 Restart.Phase.#:8: [db18x] Files:1 Time: 4s
30 ***** Catproc.Tables *****
31 Parallel.Phase.#:9: [db18x] Files:67 Time: 53s
32 Restart.Phase.#:10: [db18x] Files:1 Time: 2s
33 ***** Catproc.Package.Specs *****
34 Serial.Phase.#:11: [db18x] Files:1 Time: 179s
35 Restart.Phase.#:12: [db18x] Files:1 Time: 3s
36 ***** Catproc.Procedures *****
37 Parallel.Phase.#:13: [db18x] Files:94 Time: 27s
```

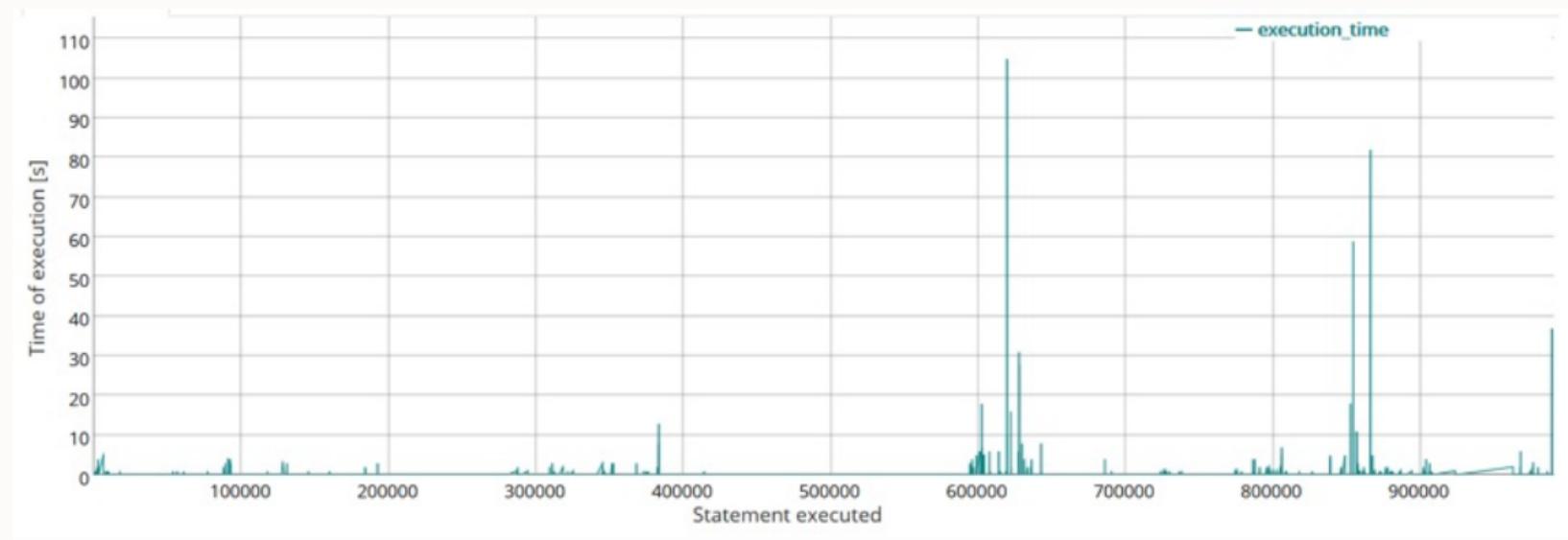
Upgrade Internals | How does the upgrade process work?

```
1  #.[upg_summary.log]-18.7-->19.5
2  Oracle-Database-Release: 19-Post-Upgrade-Status-Tool---02-03-2021-21:56:2
3  Database-Name: DB18X
4
5  Component.....Current.....Full.....Elapsed-Time
6  Name.....Status.....Version.....HH:MM:SS
7
8  Oracle-Server.....UPGRADED.....19.5.0.0.0.....00:39:42
9  JServer-JAVA-Virtual-Machine.....UPGRADED.....19.5.0.0.0.....00:03:06
10 Oracle-XDK.....UPGRADED.....19.5.0.0.0.....00:01:38
11 Oracle-Database-Java-Packages.....UPGRADED.....19.5.0.0.0.....00:00:19
12 OLAP-Analytic-Workspace.....UPGRADED.....19.5.0.0.0.....00:00:32
13 Oracle-Label-Security.....UPGRADED.....19.5.0.0.0.....00:00:13
14 Oracle-Database-Vault.....UPGRADED.....19.5.0.0.0.....00:00:38
15 Oracle-Text.....UPGRADED.....19.5.0.0.0.....00:01:05
16 Oracle-Workspace-Manager.....UPGRADED.....19.5.0.0.0.....00:01:03
17 Oracle-Real-Application-Clusters.....UPGRADED.....19.5.0.0.0.....00:00:00
18 Oracle-XML-Database.....UPGRADED.....19.5.0.0.0.....00:02:27
19 Oracle-Multimedia.....UPGRADED.....19.5.0.0.0.....00:01:17
20 Spatial.....LOADING.....19.5.0.0.0.....00:08:12
21 Oracle-OLAP-API.....UPGRADED.....19.5.0.0.0.....00:00:28
22 Datapatch.....00:11:52
23 Final-Actions.....00:12:03
24 Post-Upgrade.....00:00:37
25
26 Total Upgrade Time: 01:14:15
27
28 Database-time-zone-version is 31. It is older than current release time
29 zone-version 32. Time-zone upgrade is needed using the DBMS_DST package.
30
31 Grand Total Upgrade Time: [0d:1h:18m:4s]
32
```

Upgrade Internals | How does the upgrade process work?

```
1 *****...Catproc Procedures...*****
2 Parallel Phase #:13...[db18x] Files:94...Time: 27s
3 Restart Phase #:14...[db18x] Files:1...Time: 2s
4 Parallel Phase #:15...[db18x] Files:121...Time: 63s
5 Restart Phase #:16...[db18x] Files:1...Time: 3s
6 Serial Phase #:17...[db18x] Files:22...Time: 8s
7 Restart Phase #:18...[db18x] Files:1...Time: 3s
8 ****...Catproc Views...*****
9 Parallel Phase #:19...[db18x] Files:32...Time: 51s
10 Restart Phase #:20...[db18x] Files:1...Time: 2s
11 Serial Phase #:21...[db18x] Files:3...Time: 33s
12 Restart Phase #:22...[db18x] Files:1...Time: 3s
13 Parallel Phase #:23...[db18x] Files:25...Time: 227s
14 Restart Phase #:24...[db18x] Files:1...Time: 3s
15 Parallel Phase #:25...[db18x] Files:12...Time: 125s
16 Restart Phase #:26...[db18x] Files:1...Time: 3s
17 Serial Phase #:27...[db18x] Files:1...Time: 0s
18 Serial Phase #:28...[db18x] Files:3...Time: 11s
19 Serial Phase #:29...[db18x] Files:1...Time: 0s
20 Restart Phase #:30...[db18x] Files:1...Time: 1s
21 ****...Catproc CDB Views...*****
22 Serial Phase #:31...[db18x] Files:1...Time: 3s
23 Restart Phase #:32...[db18x] Files:1...Time: 3s
24 Serial Phase #:34...[db18x] Files:1...Time: 0s
25 ****...Catproc PLBs...*****
```

Upgrade Internals | Timing

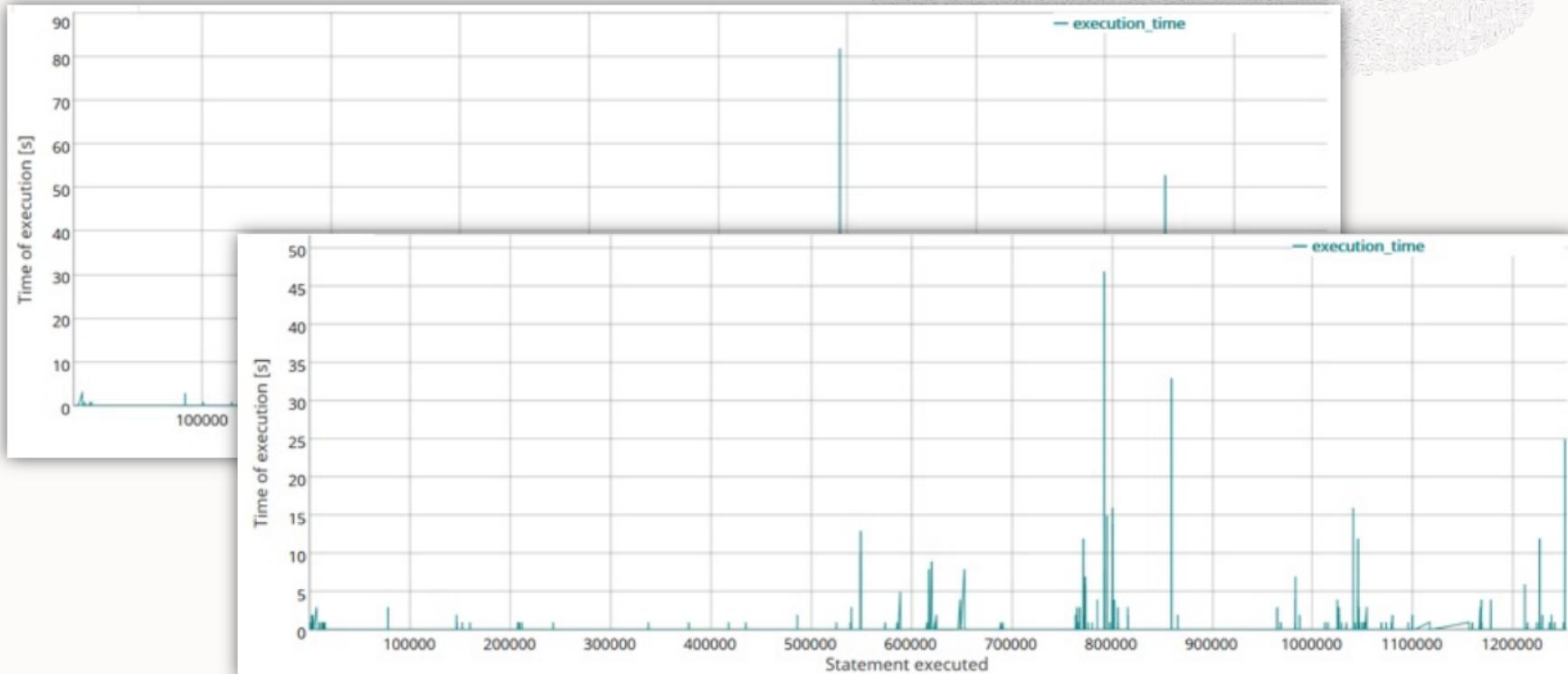


Upgrade Internals | CDB Upgrade



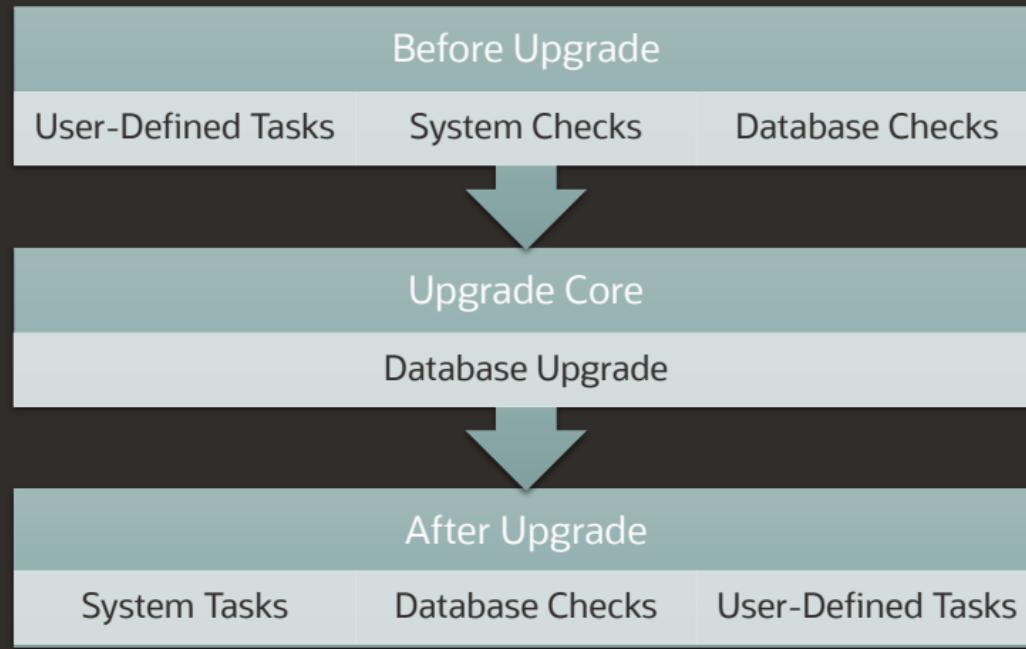
```
1 //upg_summary.log--12.2.0.1-->-18.7c
2
3 Oracle-Database-Release-19-Post-Upgrade-Status-Tool--02-02-2021-20:11:5
4 Container-Database:CDB122 84 Oracle-Database-Release-19-Post-Upgrade-Status-Tool--02-02-2021-20:58:4
5 [CON_ID:1->-CDB$ROOT] 35
6 Component-----36
7 Name-----37
8 Component-----38
9 Name-----39
10 Oracle-Server-----40
11 JServer-JAVA-Virtual-Machi 41
12 Oracle-XDK-----42
13 Oracle-Database-Java-Packa 42
14 OLAP-Analytic-Workspace 43
15 Oracle-Label-Security 44
16 Oracle-Database-Vault 45
17 Oracle-Text-----46
18 Oracle-Workspace-Manager 47
19 Oracle-Real-Application-Cl 48
20 Oracle-XML-Database-----49
21 Oracle-Multimedia-----50
22 Spatial-----50
23 Oracle-OLAP-API-----51
24 Datapatch-----52
25 Final-Actions-----53
26 Post-Upgrade-----54
27
28 Total-Upgrade-Time:00:47:56
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30 Database-time-zone-version 57
31 zone-version-32.Time-zone 58
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65 Oracle-Database-Release-19-Post-Upgrade-Status-Tool--02-02-2021-21:06:5
66 Container-Database:CDB122 65
67 [CON_ID:2->-PDB$SEED] 66
68 Component-----69
69 Name-----70
70 Component-----71
71 Oracle-Server-----72
72 Oracle-XDK-----73
73 Oracle-Database-Java-Packag 74
74 Oracle-Label-Security 75
75 Oracle-Database-Java-Packages 76
76 Oracle-OLAP-Analytic-Workspace 77
77 Oracle-Database-Vault-----78
78 Oracle-Text-----79
79 Oracle-Workspace-Manager 80
80 Oracle-Real-Application-Clu 81
81 Oracle-Real-Application-Clusters 82
82 Oracle-XML-Database-----83
83 Oracle-Multimedia-----84
84 Oracle-Label-Security 85
85 Oracle-OLAP-API-----86
86 Oracle-Text-----87
87 Oracle-Workspace-Manager 88
88 Oracle-Real-Application-Clu 89
89 Oracle-Real-Application-Clusters 90
90 Total-Upgrade-Time:00:43:29
91 Total-Upgrade-Time:00:51:20-[CON_ID:2->-PDB$SEED-*]
92 Asterisks-denotes-compilation-time-has-been-included-during-the-upgrade-process.
93
94 Database-time-zone-version is 26. It is older than current release time
95 zone-version-32.Time-zone-upgrade is needed using the DBMS_DST package.
96
```

Upgrade Internals | CDB Upgrade Timings



Database AutoUpgrade Diagnosability

AutoUpgrade | Flow-Overview





Components

- amd_exists
- apex_manual_upgrade
- awr_expired_snapshots
- em_present
- exf_rul_exists
- javavm_status
- ols_sys_move
- ...

Configurations

- case_insensitive_auth
- auto_login_wallet_required
- cdb_only_support
- compatible_grp
- compatible_not_set
- dictionary_stats
- dir_symlinks_exist
- enable_local_undo
- invalid_objects_exist
- max_string_size_on_db
- ...

Spatial

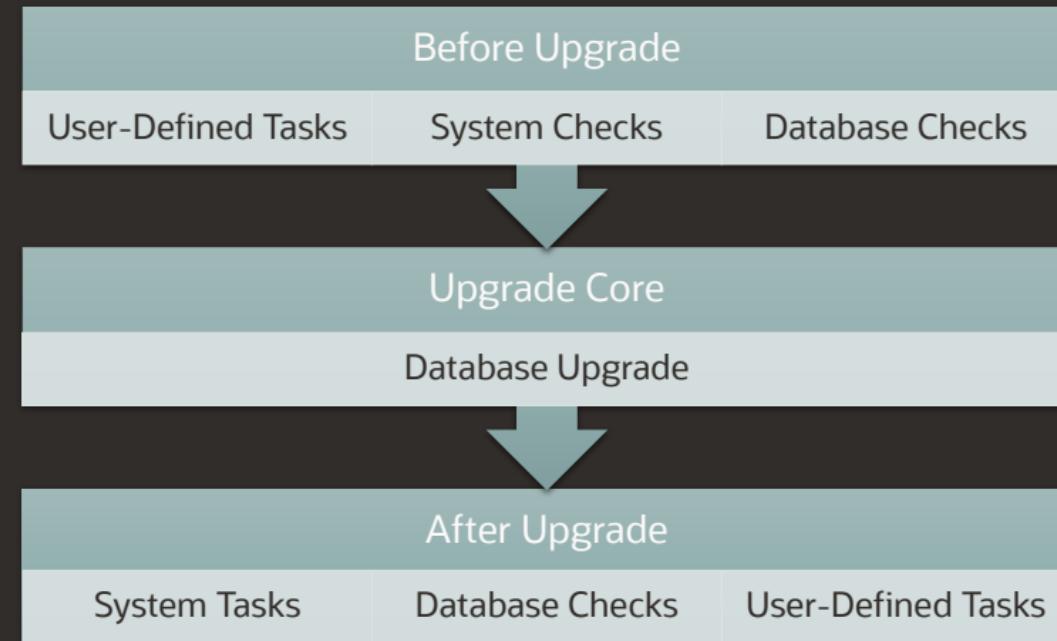
- disk_space_for_recovery_area
- db_block_size
- default_resource_limit
- flash_recovery_area_setup
- min_archive_dest_size
- tablespaces
- temp_ts_notempfile
- ...

Misc

- network_acl_priv
- new_time_zones_exist
- parameter_DEPRECATED
- pending_dst_session
- underscore_events
- ...

AutoUpgrade | Flow-Overview

115+ Checks
14+ System



19+ Checks
10+ System

AutoUpgrade | Job Diagnose

- Commands toolbox

```
upg>
```

```
lsj          // List jobs
resume -job <number> // Restarts a job
status -job <number> // Show job status
restore -job <number> // Restores database from GRP
abort -job <number> // Aborts the specified job
```

AutoUpgrade

Understanding the
directory structure

AutoUpgrade | Understanding the directory structure

```
global.autoupg_log_dir=/home/oracle/autoupg
upg1.sid=db11204
upg1.source_home=/databases/ee/product/11.2.0/dbhome_1
upg1.target_home=/databases/ee/product/18x/dbhome_1
upg1.target_version=18.7.0

upg2.sid=cdb18x
upg2.source_home=/databases/ee/product/18x/dbhome_1
upg2.target_home=/databases/rooh/21x/dbhome_1
upg2.target_version=21.0.0
upg2.pdb$=pd$
```

One job

Second job

AutoUpgrade | Log File Structure

- /cfgtoollogs
 - ./upgrade/auto ◀ General Logs + State Files
- /database_1
 - ./job_number
 - ./prechecks ◀ HTML Report
 - ./preupgrade
 - ./prefixups
 - ./drain
 - ./dbupgrade ◀ Upgrade Logs
 - ./postupgrade
 - ./temp ◀ AU Temp files
- /database_2
 - ...

AutoUpgrade | Different Stages

- ANALYZE
[PRECHECKS]
- FIXUPS
[PRECHECKS, PREFIXUPS]
- DEPLOY
[GRP, PREUPGRADE, PRECHECKS, PREFIXUPS, DRAIN, DBUPGRADE, POSTCHECKS, POSTFIXUPS, POSTUPGRADE, NONCDBTOPDB, SYSUPDATES]
- UPGRADE
[DBUPGRADE, POSTCHECKS, POSTFIXUPS, SYSUPDATES]
- POSTFIXUPS
[POSTFIXUPS]

AutoUpgrade | Log File Structure

- `/cfgtoollogs`
 `./upgrade/auto`
- `/database_1`
 `./job_number`
 `./prechecks`
 `./preupgrade`
 `./prefixups`
 `./drain`
 `./dbupgrade`
 `./postupgrade`
 `./temp`
- `/database_2`
 `./job_number`
 `...`



Depends on the execution mode

AutoUpgrade | Log File Structure

analyze



```
global.autoapg_log_dir=/home/oracle/autoapg
upg1.sid=db11204
upg1.source_home=/databases/ee/product/11.2.0/dbhome_1
upg1.target_home=/databases/ee/product/18x/dbhome_1
upg1.target_version=18.7.0

upg2.sid=cdb18x
upg2.source_home=/databases/ee/product/18x/dbhome_1
upg2.target_home=/databases/rooh/21x/dbhome_1
upg2.target_version=21.0.0
upg2.pdb=px
```

AutoUpgrade | Log File Structure

analyze => fixups



```
global.autoapg_log_dir=/home/oracle/autoapg
upg1.sid=db11204
upg1.source_home=/databases/ee/product/11.2.0/dbhome_1
upg1.target_home=/databases/ee/product/18x/dbhome_1
upg1.target_version=18.7.0

upg2.sid=cdb18x
upg2.source_home=/databases/ee/product/18x/dbhome_1
upg2.target_home=/databases/rooh/21x/dbhome_1
upg2.target_version=21.0.0
upg2.pdb=px
```

AutoUpgrade | Log File Structure

analyze => fixups => deploy



```
global.autoapg_log_dir=/home/oracle/autoapg
upg1.sid=db11204
upg1.source_home=/databases/ee/product/11.2.0/dbhome_1
upg1.target_home=/databases/ee/product/18x/dbhome_1
upg1.target_version=18.7.0

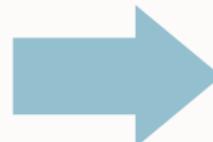
upg2.sid=cdb18x
upg2.source_home=/databases/ee/product/18x/dbhome_1
upg2.target_home=/databases/rooh/21x/dbhome_1
upg2.target_version=21.0.0
upg2.pdb=px
```

AutoUpgrade | Log File Structure

analyze => fixups => deploy

```
global.autoapg_log_dir=/home/oracle/autoapg
upg1.sid=db11204
upg1.source_home=/databases/ee/product/11.2.0/dbhome_1
upg1.target_home=/databases/ee/product/18x/dbhome_1
upg1.target_version=18.7.0

upg2.sid=cdb18x
upg2.source_home=/databases/ee/product/18x/dbhome_1
upg2.target_home=/databases/rooh/21x/dbhome_1
upg2.target_version=21.0.0
upg2.pdb=px
```



```
[oracle@devbox db11204]$ ls
101 103 105 temp
```



```
[oracle@devbox cdb18x]$ ls
100 102 104 temp
```



AutoUpgrade | Pre-Checks Folder

..../prechecks

[cdb18x] analyze[100] > fixups[102] > deploy[104]

```
[oracle@devbox 100]$ pwd  
/home/oracle/autoupg/cdb18x/100
```



```
autoupgrade_20210204.log  
autoupgrade_20210204_user.log  
autoupgrade_err.log  
prechecks
```



```
[oracle@devbox prechecks]$ ls  
cdb18x_checklist.cfg  cdb18x_checklist.xml  cdb18x_preupgrade.log  
cdb18x_checklist.json  cdb18x_preupgrade.html  prechecks_cdb_root.log
```

AutoUpgrade | Pre-Checks Folder

.. / prechecks



cdb18x_preupgrade.html
cdb18x_preupgrade.log

} Reports

cdb18x_checklist.cfg

} Customize fixups execution

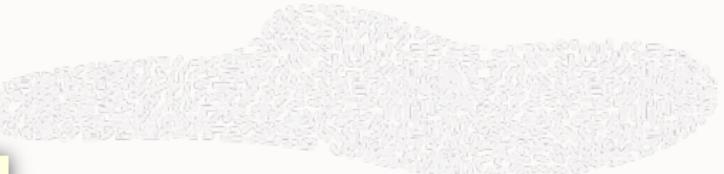
AutoUpgrade | Pre-Checks Folder

cdb18x_checklist.cfg

```
[SID]          [cdb18x]
=====
[container]    [CDB$ROOT]
=====
[checkname]    CYCLE_NUMBER
[stage]        PRECHECKS
[fixup_available] NO
[rifix]        N/A
[severity]    INFO
=====
[checkname]    DICTIONARY_STATS
[stage]        PRECHECKS
[fixup_available] YES
[rifix]        YES
[severity]    RECOMMEND
=====
[checkname]    POST_DICTIONARY
[stage]        POSTCHECKS
[fixup_available] YES
[rifix]        YES
[severity]    RECOMMEND
=====
[checkname]    POST_FIXED_OBJECTS
[stage]        POSTCHECKS
[fixup_available] NO
[rifix]        N/A
[severity]    RECOMMEND
=====
[checkname]    OLD_TIME_ZONES_EXIST
[stage]        POSTCHECKS
[fixup_available] YES
[rifix]        YES
[severity]    WARNING
```



```
[SID]          [cdb18x]
=====
[container]    [CDB$ROOT]
=====
[checkname]    CYCLE_NUMBER
[stage]        PRECHECKS
[fixup_available] NO
[rifix]        N/A
[severity]    INFO
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[checkname]    DICTIONARY_STATS
[stage]        PRECHECKS
[fixup_available] YES
[rifix]        YES
[severity]    RECOMMEND
=====
[checkname]    POST_DICTIONARY
[stage]        POSTCHECKS
[fixup_available] YES
[rifix]        -SKP-
[severity]    RECOMMEND
=====
[checkname]    POST_FIXED_OBJECTS
[stage]        POSTCHECKS
[fixup_available] NO
[rifix]        N/A
[severity]    RECOMMEND
=====
[checkname]    OLD_TIME_ZONES_EXIST
[stage]        POSTCHECKS
[fixup_available] YES
[rifix]        NO
[severity]    WARNING
```



```
upg2.sid=cdb18x
upg2.source_home=/databases/ee/product/18x/dbhome_1
upg2.target_home=/databases/rooh/21x/dbhome_1
upg2.target_version=21.0.0
upg2.pdbx=pdbx
upg2.checklist=/home/oracle/autoupg/cdb18x/100/prechecks/cdb18x_checklist.cfg
```

AutoUpgrade | dbupgrade Folder

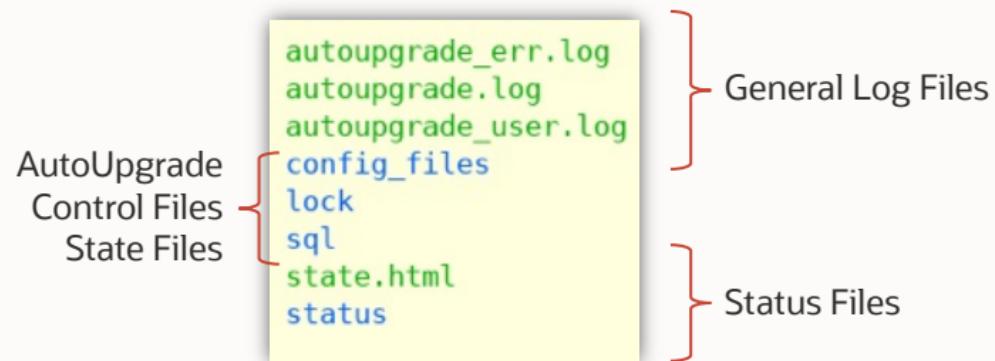
[cdb18x] analyze[100] > fixups[102] > deploy[104]

```
[oracle@devbox dbupgrade]$ ls -lh catup*.log
-rwx----- 1 oracle oinstall 585 Feb  4 08:25 catupgrd202102040817244.log
-rwx----- 1 oracle oinstall 585 Feb  4 08:25 catupgrd202102040817245.log
-rwx----- 1 oracle oinstall 584 Feb  4 08:25 catupgrd202102040817246.log
-rwx----- 1 oracle oinstall 584 Feb  4 08:25 catupgrd202102040817247.log
-rwx----- 1 oracle oinstall 35M Feb  4 09:45 catupgrd20210204081724cdbroot0.log
-rwx----- 1 oracle oinstall 15M Feb  4 08:57 catupgrd20210204081724cdbroot1.log
-rwx----- 1 oracle oinstall 3.0M Feb  4 08:57 catupgrd20210204081724cdbroot2.log
-rwx----- 1 oracle oinstall 5.3M Feb  4 08:57 catupgrd20210204081724cdbroot3.log
-rwx----- 1 oracle oinstall 3.0M Feb  4 08:57 catupgrd20210204081724cdbroot4.log
-rwx----- 1 oracle oinstall 2.9M Feb  4 08:57 catupgrd20210204081724cdbroot5.log
-rwx----- 1 oracle oinstall 2.8M Feb  4 08:57 catupgrd20210204081724cdbroot6.log
-rwx----- 1 oracle oinstall 2.9M Feb  4 08:57 catupgrd20210204081724cdbroot7.log
-rwx----- 1 oracle oinstall 1.2K Feb  4 08:52 catupgrd20210204081724cdbroot_datapatch_upgrade.log
-rwx----- 1 oracle oinstall 39K Feb  4 08:57 catupgrd20210204081724cdbroot_stderr.log
-rwx----- 1 oracle oinstall 122K Feb  4 09:45 catupgrd20210204081724pdb_seed0.log
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-rwx----- 1 oracle oinstall 86K Feb  4 09:25 catupgrd20210204081724pdpx0.log
-rwx----- 1 oracle oinstall 1.2K Feb  4 09:25 catupgrd20210204081724pdpx_datapatch_upgrade.log
-rwx----- 1 oracle oinstall 7.9K Feb  4 09:25 catupgrd20210204081724pdpx_stderr.log
```

Upgrade logs

AutoUpgrade | General Progress Folder

```
global.autoupg_log_dir=/home/oracle/autoupg
```



AutoUpgrade | General Progress Folder

```
global.autoupg_log_dir=/home/oracle/autoupg
```

```
0_upgradeJobs.bin  
1_upgradeJobs.bin  
2_upgradeJobs.bin  
3_upgradeJobs.bin  
autoupg.cfg  
dbstate_cdb18x  
dbstate_db11204  
jmBuffer  
oBuffer  
upgradeJobs.bin
```

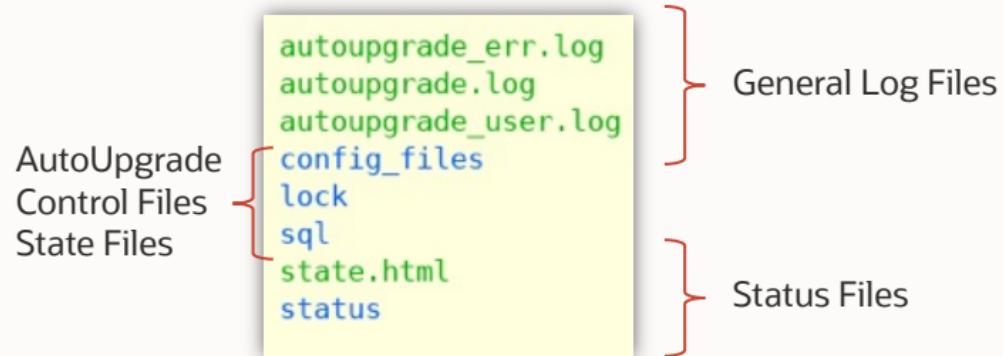
```
autoupgrade_err.log  
autoupgrade.log  
autoupgrade_user.log  
config_files  
lock  
sql  
state.html  
status
```

General Log Files

Status Files

AutoUpgrade | General Progress Folder

```
global.autoupg_log_dir=/home/oracle/autoupg
```



AutoUpgrade | **temp** Directory

```
/home/oracle/autoupg/cdb18x/temp
```

- Before/During/After AutoUpgrade-Generated pfiles
- Recompilation scripts
- Restart scripts
- Network Files backups
 - tnsnames.ora
 - listener.ora
 - sqlnet.ora
- TimeZone Upg Logs
- Context Files

AutoUpgrade

How do we know if an issue occurred?

AutoUpgrade console | status files | log files

AutoUpgrade | Console

```
10 Resuming job: [101][CDBmexica]
11 upg>
12
13 Errors in database [CDBmexica]
14 Stage .... [DBUPGRADE]
15 Operation [STOPPED]
16 Status .... [ERROR]
17 Info .... [
18 Error: UPG-1400
19 UPGRADE FAILED [CDBmexica]
20 Cause: Database upgrade failed with errors
21 For further details, see the log file located at /scratch/hviejra/autoupgrade/au21/CDBmexica/101/autoupgrade_20210204_user.log]
22
```

AutoUpgrade | Status [status.json & progress.json]

```
2  {
3      "totalJobs": 1,
4      "lastUpdateTime": "2021-02-04-12:37:53",
5      "jobs": [
6          {
7              "sid": "CDBmexica",
8              "jobNo": 101,
9              "logDirectory": "/scratch/hvileyra/autoupgrade/au21/CDBmexica/101",
10             "conNumber": 5,
11             "lastUpdateTime": "2021-02-04-12:37:53",
12             "modules": [
13                 {
14                     "name": "DBUPGRADE",
15                     "status": 1,
16                     "errors": [
17                         {
18                             "cause": "[Unexpected error]",
19                             "reason": "Database Upgrade has Failed details in [/scratch/hvileyra/autoupgrade/au21/CDBmexica/101/autoupgrade_20210204_user.log]",
20                             "action": "[MANUAL]",
21                             "info": "Return status is ERROR",
22                             "isExecutionError": true,
23                             "errorMsg": "AutoUpgException [UPG-1400#UPGRADE-FAILED-[CDBmexica]]"
24                         },
25                         {
26                             "cause": "",
27                             "reason": "",
28                             "action": "",
29                             "info": "<br/> Error: UPG-1400 <br/> UPGRADE-FAILED-[CDBmexica]<br/> Cause: Database upgrade failed with errors<br/> For further details see the log file at [/scratch/hvileyra/autoupgrade/au21/CDBmexica/101/autoupgrade_20210204_user.log]",
30                             "isExecutionError": true,
31                             "errorMsg": "UPG-1400"
32                         }
33                     ]
34                 }
35             ]
36         }
37     ]
38 }
```

AutoUpgrade | Log files

```
[oracle@devbox 104]$ ls -lh
total 1.8M
-rwx----- 1 oracle oinstall 1.7M Feb  4 10:02 autoupgrade_20210204.log
-rwx----- 1 oracle oinstall  31K Feb  4 10:02 autoupgrade_20210204_user.log
-rwx----- 1 oracle oinstall  948 Feb  4 09:52 autoupgrade_err.log
drwx----- 2 oracle oinstall 4.0K Feb  4 09:45 dbupgrade
drwx----- 2 oracle oinstall 4.0K Feb  4 08:24 drain
drwx----- 2 oracle oinstall 4.0K Feb  4 09:47 postchecks
drwx----- 2 oracle oinstall 4.0K Feb  4 10:01 postfixups
drwx----- 2 oracle oinstall 4.0K Feb  4 10:02 postupgrade
drwx----- 2 oracle oinstall 4.0K Feb  4 08:20 prechecks
drwx----- 2 oracle oinstall 4.0K Feb  4 08:24 prefixups
drwx----- 2 oracle oinstall 4.0K Feb  4 08:17 preupgrade
drwx----- 2 oracle oinstall 4.0K Feb  4 10:02 sysupdates
```

AutoUpgrade | Log files

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[oracle@devbox 104]$ ls -lh
total 1.8M
-rwx----- 1 oracle oinstall 1.7M Feb  4 10:02 autoupgrade_20210204.log
-rwx----- 1 oracle oinstall 31K Feb  4 10:02 autoupgrade_20210204_user.log
-rwx----- 1 oracle oinstall 948 Feb  4 09:52 autoupgrade_err.log
drwx----- 2 oracle oinstall 4.0K Feb  4 09:45 dbupgrade
drwx----- 2 oracle oinstall 4.0K Feb  4 08:24 drain
drwx----- 2 oracle oinstall 4.0K Feb  4 09:47 postchecks
drwx----- 2 oracle oinstall 4.0K Feb  4 10:01 postfixups
drwx----- 2 oracle oinstall 4.0K Feb  4 10:02 postupgrade
drwx----- 2 oracle oinstall 4.0K Feb  4 08:20 prechecks
drwx----- 2 oracle oinstall 4.0K Feb  4 08:24 prefixups
drwx----- 2 oracle oinstall 4.0K Feb  4 08:17 preupgrade
drwx----- 2 oracle oinstall 4.0K Feb  4 10:02 sysupdates
```

Stage where it failed

AutoUpgrade | Log files

```
1 2021-01-17-02:56:58.137 ERROR Dispatcher failed: Unknown instance R2D2_2 -- AutoUpgDispatcher.run
2 java.lang.IllegalStateException: Unknown instance R2D2_2
3     at oracle.upgrade.commons.rac.SpFileUtils.getCurrentInstance(SpFileUtils.java:100)
4     at oracle.upgrade.commons.rac.SpFileUtils.isASM(SpFileUtils.java:87)
5     at oracle.upgrade.autoupgrade.postupgrade.CreateFinalSpfile.databaseShutdownAndCleanup(CreateFinalSpfile.java:410)
6     at oracle.upgrade.autoupgrade.postupgrade.CreateFinalSpfile.executeStep(CreateFinalSpfile.java:437)
7     at oracle.upgrade.autoupgrade.PostActions.upgPostActionsDriver(PostActions.java:274)
8     at oracle.upgrade.autoupgrade.PostActions.runPostActions(PostActions.java:233)
9     at oracle.upgrade.autoupgrade.AutoUpgPostActions.runPostActions(AutoUpgPostActions.java:98)
10    ...
11
12 2021-01-17-02:56:58.142 ERROR Error running dispatcher for job 104
13
```

Recompile

How to tune the recompilation?

Recompilation | **Check**

Invalid objects after upgrade

```
SQL> select con_id, count(*) from CDB_OBJECTS
      where status='INVALID' group by con_id order by 1;

CON_ID      COUNT(*)
-----
 1          51
 3         6359
 4         6356
 5         6356
```

Recompilation | **utlrp.sql**

Usually, after upgrade, recompilation should happen

- **utlrp.sql**
 - Calls **utlprp.sql** with **CPU_COUNT - 1**
 - Creates **CPU_COUNT - 1** parallel jobs
 - Recompilation happens PDB after PDB
 - Attempts to compile **ALL** invalid objects
- **utlprp.sql**
 - Used to override the default parallel degree
 - Example

```
SQL> start ?/rdbms/admin/utlprp 32
```

Recompilation | AutoUpgrade

By default, AutoUpgrade recompiles after upgrade

- Recompilation attempts to compile **everything** invalid

Postpone recompilation

```
upg1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/12.2.0.1
upg1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19
upg1.sid=CDB1
upg1.run_utlrp=no
upg1.after_action=/database/scripts/compile_my_way.sh
```

- But you can't postpone PDB\$SEED's recompilation
- CDB\$ROOT recompiles partially already, too

Recompilation | Option 1

Run your own compilation script(s)

- Sub scripts
- Scheduler
- Parallel degree

Recompilation | Option 2 *unofficial*

Modify utlprp.sql

- Makes sense only when you have a lot of INVALID user objects
- Force recompilation to compile ONLY oracle-maintained objects
- Backport available soon

```
DECLARE
  threads pls_integer := &&1;
BEGIN
  utl_recomp.recomp_parallel(threads);
END;
/
```



```
DECLARE
  threads pls_integer := &&1;
BEGIN
  utl_recomp.recomp_parallel(threads, flags => UTL_RECOMP.ORACLE_MAINTAINED);
END;
/
```



Only attempt tuning the recompilation
where it takes UNUSUALLY long!

Upgrade | Diagnose Performance Issue

```
grep -i "Elapsed" <catupgrd0 filename> | sort
```

Chapter 4

Performance Stability

your key to

Successful Database Upgrades

Step 1

Download and
install Oracle 19c

[eDelivery.oracle.com](https://edelivery.oracle.com)

Step 2

Download and
install newest RU

MOS Note: 2118136.2

Step 3

Download and use
AutoUpgrade

MOS Note: 2485457.1

Step 4

Performance Stability
with SPM, STA and RAT



General Performance Best Practices





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Parameters

Parameters | General Recommendations

Default

Deprecated/desupported
Underscores/events
Applications

The fewer parameters, the better

```
SQL> select name, value
      from v$parameter
     where isdefault='FALSE';

          NAME                VALUE
  -----
  _bug27355984_xt_preproc_timeout      1000
  _cursor_obsolete_threshold          1024
  _exclude_seed_cdb_view              FALSE
  _optimizer_aggr_groupby_elim        FALSE
  _use_single_log_writer              TRUE
  audit_file_dest                    /u01/app/oracle/admin/CDB2/adump
  audit_trail                         NONE
  compatible                           19.0.0
  control_files                       /u02/fast_recovery_area/CDB2/control02.ctl
```

Parameters | General Recommendations

Default

Deprecated/desupported

Underscores/events

Applications

```
SQL> startup
ORA-32004: obsolete or deprecated parameter(s) specified for RDBMS instance
ORACLE instance started.
```

Total System Global Area	1577055360 bytes
Fixed Size	9135232 bytes
Variable Size	385875968 bytes
Database Buffers	1174405120 bytes
Redo Buffers	7639040 bytes
Database mounted.	
Database opened.	

Pro tip: The [Upgrade Guide](#) contains a list of deprecated and desupported parameters

Parameters | General Recommendations

Default

Deprecated/desupported

Underscores/events

Applications

Use

- as few as possible
- not longer than needed

```
SQL> select name, value
      from v$parameter
     where substr(name, 0, 1) = '_' or name='event';
```

Create plan for remove it again

Pro tip: During upgrade it is recommended to remove all underscores and events

Parameters | General Recommendations

Default

Deprecated/desupported

Underscores/events

Applications

Follow application specific recommendations

- E-Business Suite
- Siebel
- ...

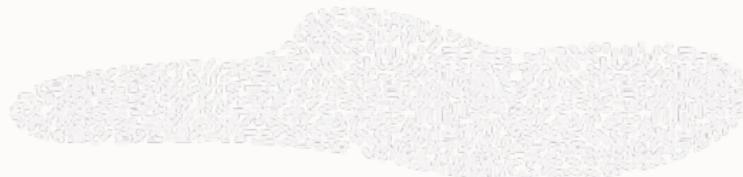
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- [Section 8: Database Initialization Parameter Sizing](#)

The most current version of this document can be obtained in My Oracle Support [Document 396009.1](#).

Parameters | Tracking Your Changes



Never implement a change without a comment

```
SQL> alter system set
  "_cursor_obsolete_threshold"=1024
  comment='04-03-2021 Daniel: MOS 2431353.1, evaluate after upgrade'
  scope=both;
```

Or, in your PFile

```
*._cursor_obsolete_threshold=1024#04-03-2021 Daniel: MOS 2431353.1, evaluate after upgrade
```

View your comments

```
SQL> select value, update_comment from v$parameter where name='"_cursor_obsolete_threshold';
          VALUE      UPDATE_COMMENT
  _____
          1024      04-03-2021 Daniel: MOS 2431353.1, evaluate after upgrade
```

Parameters

COMPATIBLE vs OPTIMIZER_FEATURES_ENABLE



Fully independent from each other

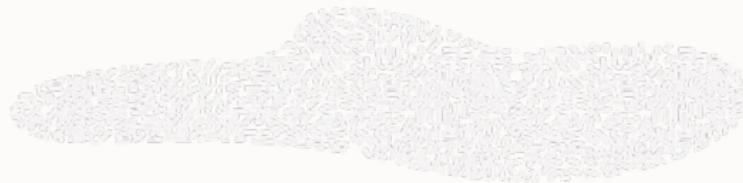
- COMPATIBLE
 - Enables features
 - Always use the default value **19.0.0** in Oracle 19c
- OPTIMIZER_FEATURES_ENABLE
 - Just reverts to the parameters used in a previous release
 - Avoid using it if possible
 - This is not a Swiss Army knife!
 - You will turn off a lot of great features

“

Modifying the OPTIMIZER_FEATURES_ENABLE parameter generally is strongly discouraged and should only be used as a short term measure at the suggestion of Oracle Global Support.

[Use Caution if Changing the OPTIMIZER_FEATURES_ENABLE Parameter After an Upgrade \(Doc ID 1362332.1\)](#)

Automatic Memory Management | AMM



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You can allow the Oracle Database instance to automatically manage and tune memory for you.

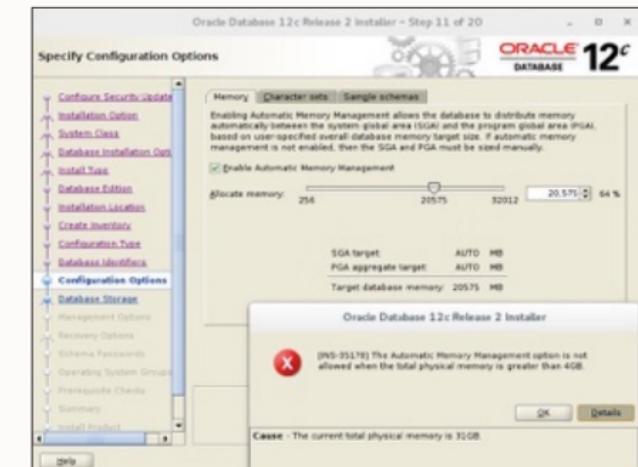
[Database 19c, Database Administrator's Guide, chapter 6](#)

Controlled by parameters `MEMORY_TARGET` and `MEMORY_MAX_TARGET`

Sounds like a good idea.... **Don't use it!**

AMM | Pitfalls

1. No support for HugePages on Linux
2. Potentially, PGA can *rob* memory from SGA
3. There is an overhead of resizing the memory areas
4. Issues
5. Only on few platforms can you use AMM with more than 4 GB of memory (MOS Doc ID [2244817.1](#))



[DBT-11211] The Automatic Memory Management option is not allowed when the total physical memory is greater than 4GB.
INS-35178 : The Automated Memory management option is not allowed when the Total physical memory is greater than 4GB



Possible use cases:

1. ASM instances
2. Small non-production databases

Always consult the Database Installation Guide of your platform

Fix Control Persistence | DBMS_OPTIM_BUNDLE

Overview

Check

Enable

Output

Result

Info and Issues

Fix Control Persistence

- DBMS_OPTIM_BUNDLE
- Exists since 12.1.0.2 April 2017 (and earlier on Exadata)
- Idea:
 - Enable Optimizer behavior changing fixes at will
 - Fixes are installed but disabled by default

Fix Control Persistence | DBMS_OPTIM_BUNDLE

Overview

Check

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Info and Issues

```
SQL> set serverout on
SQL> exec dbms_optim_bundle.GetBugsForBundle;
```

19.10.0.0.210119DBRU:

```
Bug: 29487407, fix_controls: 29487407
Bug: 30998035, fix_controls: 30998035
Bug: 30786641, fix_controls: 30786641
Bug: 31444353, fix_controls: 31444353
Bug: 30486896, fix_controls: 30486896
Bug: 28999046, fix_controls: 28999046
Bug: 30902655, fix_controls: 30902655
Bug: 30681521, fix_controls: 30681521
Bug: 29302565, fix_controls: 29302565
Bug: 30972817, fix_controls: 30972817
```

...

Fix Control Persistence | DBMS_OPTIM_BUNDLE

Overview

Check

Enable

Output

Result

Info and Issues

```
begin
    dbms_optim_bundle.enable_optim_fixes(
        action              => 'ON',
        scope               => 'BOTH',
        current_setting_precedence => 'YES');
end;
/
```

Fix Control Persistence | DBMS_OPTIM_BUNDLE

Overview

Check

Enable

Output

Result

Info and Issues

```
1) Current_fix_control setting for spfile:  
None  
  
2) Final_fix_control setting for spfile considering current_setting_precedence  
is YES  
29331066:1 28965084:1 28776811:1 28498976:1 28567417:1 28558645:1  
29132869:1 29450812:1 29687220:1 29304314:1 29930457:1 27261477:1  
31069997:1 31077481:1 28602253:1 29653132:0 29937655:1 30347410:1  
30602828:1 30896685:0 29487407:1 30998035:1 30786641:1 31444353:0  
30486896:1 28999046:1 30902655:1 30681521:1 29302565:1 30972817:1  
30222669:1 31668694:1 31001490:1 30198239:7 30980115:1 30616738:0  
31895670:0 19138896:1 31670824:0 9876287:1 30564898:1 32075777:0  
30570982:1  
  
3) Current_fix_control setting in memory:  
29331066:0 28965084:0 28776811:0 28498976:0 28567417:0 28558645:0  
29132869:0 29450812:0 29687220:0 29304314:0 29930457:0 27261477:0  
31069997:0 31077481:0 28602253:0 29653132:0 29937655:0 30347410:0  
30602828:0 30896685:0 29487407:0 30998035:0 30786641:0 31444353:0  
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30222669:0 31668694:0 31001490:0 30198239:0 30980115:0 30616738:0  
31895670:0 19138896:0 31670824:0 9876287:0 30564898:0 32075777:0  
30570982:0
```

Fix Control Persistence | DBMS_OPTIM_BUNDLE

Overview

Check

Enable

Output

Result

Info and Issues

In the SPFILE:

```
*._fix_control='29331066:1','28965084:1','28776811:1','28498976:1','285  
67417:1','28558645:1','29132869:1','29450812:1','29687220:1','29304314:  
1','29930457:1','27261477:1','31069997:1','31077481:1','28602253:1','29  
653132:0','29937655:1','30347410:1','30602828:1','30896685:0','29487407  
:1','30998035:1','30786641:1','31444353:0','30486896:1','28999046:1','3  
0902655:1','30681521:1','29302565:1','30972817:1','30222669:1','3166869  
4:1','31001490:1','30198239:7','30980115:1','30616738:0','31895670:0','  
19138896:1','31670824:0','9876287:1','30564898:1','32075777:0','3057098  
2:1'#added through dbms_optim_bundle package
```

- Restart necessary to take effect

Fix Control Persistence | DBMS_OPTIM_BUNDLE

Overview

Check

Enable

Output

Result

Info and Issues

Changes do not propagate to standby database

- Set manually for each database
- Use ALTER SYSTEM for databases in MOUNT mode

[MOS Note: 2147007.1 - Automatic Fix Control Persistence](#)

[Blog Post: DBMS_OPTIM_BUNDLE Package](#)

[Blog Post: You may need a one-off in 19.10.0](#)

- Oracle 19.10.0 – [Patch 31862593](#) required
- Otherwise, the 19.10 fixes can't be enabled

[Blog Post: DBMS_OPTIM_BUNDLE is missing ... again?!](#)

- Occasionally the package disappeared in several RUs

Patches | Important One-Offs

Mark as favorite

Oracle Database 19c Important Recommended One-off Patches (Doc ID 2720807.1)

You can restrict the list below to issues likely to affect one of the following versions by clicking the relevant button:

19.10 19.9 19.8 19.7 Show all Bugs

The list below is restricted to show only bugs believed to affect version 19.10.
Other bugs may affect this version but have not been confirmed as being relevant yet.

There are 7 bugs listed.

Bug	Description	Patches
32301133	XBM: Database Merge for 19.10 RU	[list-patches]
32245850	bttsdan : dml operations hung on "gc current request" waits	[list-patches]
32013403	ORA-7445: exception encountered: core dump [kjasca_add()]+717]	[list-patches]
32259535	ORA-1/ORA-00001: unique constraint (sys.i_ndpart_boparts) during ALTER TABLE SPLIT PARTITION	[list-patches]
31666449	ORA-600 [kcbtse_encdec_tbsblk_1] during RMAN Backup	[list-patches]
31602782	Contention on "CURSOR: PIN S WAIT ON X" when PQ slave's execution plan does not match with QC	[list-patches]
32442404	Using Data Pump With Encryption Fails With "Memory fault(coredump)" / ORA-39012 / ORA-7445 [Immstrmlrg] After Applying the January 2021 DBRU to an 18c or 19c Oracle Home	[list-patches]

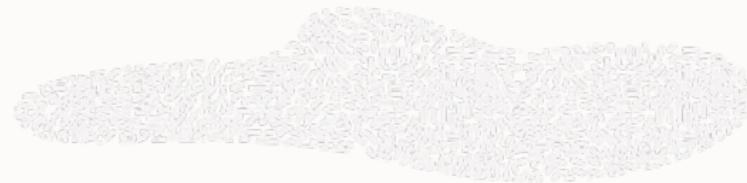
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Statistics

Dictionary Statistics | Overview



Statistics on SYS and other oracle maintained schemas

Gets executed by automatic optimizer statistics gathering

If disabled, consider instead to allow it to work only of dictionary stats

```
SQL> exec dbms_stats.set_global_prefs('autostats_target','oracle');
```

Dictionary Statistics | **Gather**

Refresh manually:

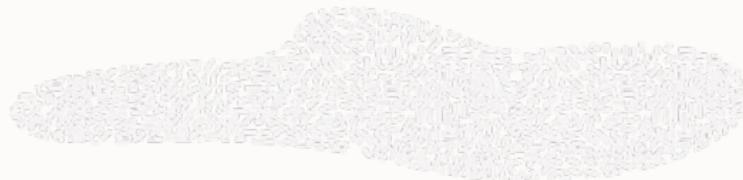
- Before and after upgrade
- Before (source) and after (target) logical migration
- After major application upgrades

Gather manually

```
SQL> BEGIN
      DBMS_STATS.GATHER_SCHEMA_STATS('SYS');
      DBMS_STATS.GATHER_SCHEMA_STATS('SYSTEM');
    END;
/

```

```
$ORACLE_HOME/perl/bin/perl $ORACLE_HOME/rdbms/admin/catcon.pl \
  -l /tmp \
  -b gatherstats -- \
  --x"begin dbms_stats.gather_schema_stats('SYS'); dbms_stats.gather_schema_stats('SYSTEM'); end;"
```



”

After an upgrade, or after other database configuration changes, Oracle strongly recommends that you regather fixed object statistics after you have run representative workloads on Oracle Database.

[Database 19c Upgrade Guide, chapter 7](#)

Never run it right after upgrade

Fixed Objects Stats | Definition

What is it?

```
SQL> SELECT owner, table_name
      FROM dba_tab_statistics
     WHERE object_type = 'FIXED TABLE';

OWNER        TABLE_NAME
-----        -----
SYS          X$KQFTA
SYS          X$KQFVI
SYS          X$KQFVT
SYS          X$KQFDT
SYS          X$KQFCO
SYS          X$KQFOPT
SYS          X$KYWMPCTAB
...
```

Pro tip: Dynamic statistics (sampling) are not used for X\$ tables

Fixed Objects Stats | After Upgrade

Ask yourself: Do you **remember** this?

If not, **DBMS_SCHEDULER** to the rescue

Fixed Objects Stats | After Upgrade

1. Create a .sql script

```
BEGIN
    DBMS_SCHEDULER.CREATE_JOB (
        job_name => '"SYS"."GATHER_FIXED_OBJECTS_STATS_ONE_TIME"',
        job_type => 'PLSQL_BLOCK',
        job_action => 'BEGIN DBMS_STATS.GATHER_FIXED_OBJECTS_STATS; END;',
        start_date => SYSDATE+7,
        auto_drop => TRUE,
        comments => 'Gather fixed objects stats after upgrade - one time'
    );
    DBMS_SCHEDULER.ENABLE (
        name => '"SYS"."GATHER_FIXED_OBJECTS_STATS_ONE_TIME"'
    );
END;
/
```

Fixed Objects Stats | After Upgrade

2. Create a .sh script

```
$ORACLE_HOME/perl/bin/perl $ORACLE_HOME/rdbms/admin/catcon.pl \
-n 4 -e \
-C 'PDB$SEED' \
-b sched_gfos -d /home/oracle/sched_gfos/ sched_gfos.sql
```

3. Execute .sh script after upgrade

```
upgl.after_action=/home/oracle/sched_gfos/sched_gfos.sh
```

Fixed Objects Stats | Other situations

Also gather fixed objects stats after:

1. Major application upgrades
2. Using new functionality in the database
3. Major database configuration change

Always gather fixed objects stats when the system is warmed up - after your representative workload

Check out [Best Practices for Gathering Optimizer Statistics with Oracle Database 19c](#)
[Fixed Objects Statistics \(GATHER_FIXED_OBJECTS_STATS\) Considerations \(DOC ID 198257.1\)](#)

Pro tip: Automated stats gathering only gather fixed objects stats if they are completely missing

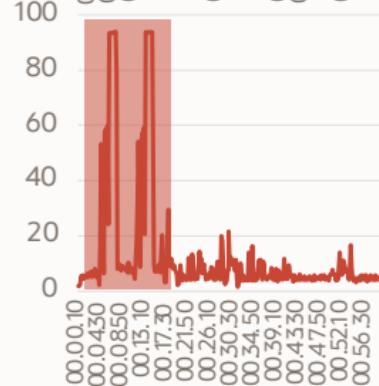
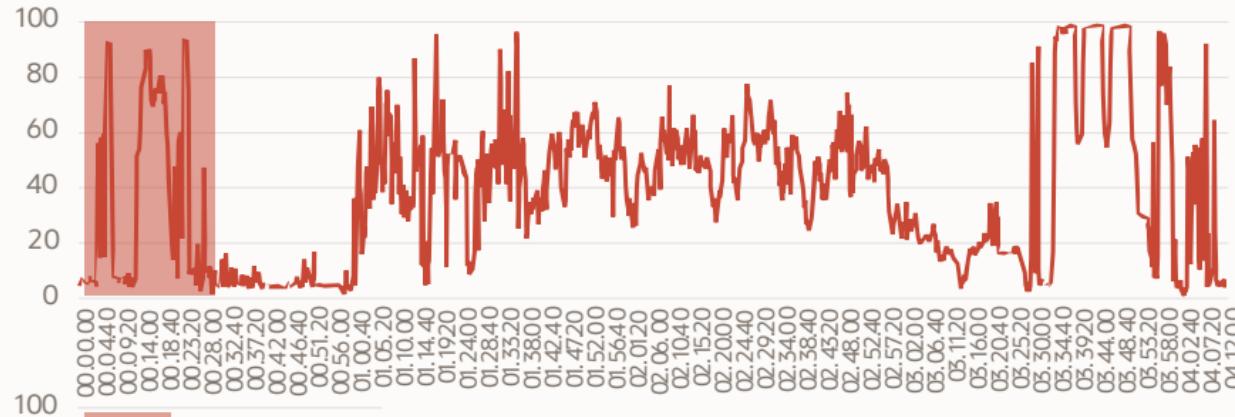
Statistics | Check

Has my stats been refreshed within the last 7 days?

```
SQL> select con_id, operation, target, end_time
  from cdb_optstat_operations
  where
    (    (operation = 'gather_fixed_objects_stats')
    or (operation = 'gather_dictionary_stats' and (target is null or target in ('SYS', 'SYSTEM')))
    or (operation = 'gather_schema_stats' and target in ('SYS', 'SYSTEM'))
  )
  and end_time > sysdate - 7
  order by con_id, end_time;
```

CON_ID	OPERATION	TARGET	END_TIME
1	gather_schema_stats	SYS	26-FEB-21 07.00.19.182084000 AM +01:00
1	gather_schema_stats	SYSTEM	26-FEB-21 07.00.22.351981000 AM +01:00
1	gather_dictionary_stats		26-FEB-21 07.05.17.931954000 AM +01:00
1	gather_fixed_objects_stats		26-FEB-21 07.14.55.088707000 AM +01:00
2	gather_schema_stats	SYS	26-FEB-21 07.02.40.485494000 AM +01:00
2	gather_schema_stats	SYSTEM	26-FEB-21 07.02.46.151578000 AM +01:00
3	gather_schema_stats	SYS	26-FEB-21 07.02.46.171862000 AM +01:00
3	gather schema stats	SYSTEM	26-FEB-21 07.02.49.725878000 AM +01:00

Statistics | Gather Stats Before Upgrade



Gathering stats in advance saves **12 minutes**
Dictionary and fixed objects

Statistics | Good Stats During Upgrade

The larger the dictionary, the bigger the effect

	DURATION	REDUCTION
No dictionary and fixed objects stats	15 min 55 sec	
Gathered dictionary and fixed objects stats	14 min 10 sec	11 %
Gathered schema and cluster index stats	13 min 41 sec	3.4 % to previous
Total downtime saved	2 min 14 sec	14 % overall

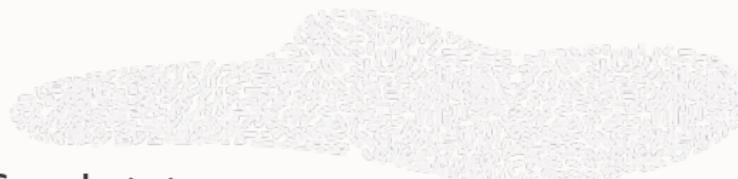
This example has been done with one of the tiny Hands-On Lab databases

Statistics | Good Stats During Upgrade

Upgrade duration for Oracle E-Business Suite

	DURATION	REDUCTION
No dictionary and fixed objects stats	10 hrs 56 min 52 sec	
Gathered dictionary and fixed objects stats	52 min 42 sec	93 %
Gathered schema and cluster index stats	52 min 25 sec	0.5 % to previous
Total downtime saved	10 hrs 4 min 14 sec	93.5 % overall

Statistics | Good Stats During Upgrade



Stale / no stats

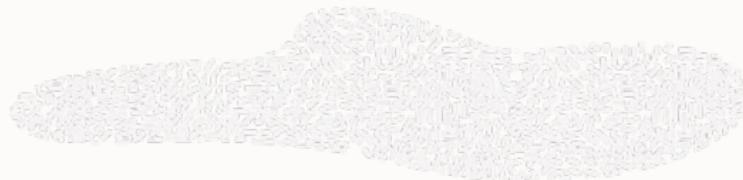
ID	OPERATION	OPTIONS	OBJECT_NAME
0	UPDATE STATEMENT		
1	UPDATE		DEPENDENCY\$
2	FILTER		
3	TABLE ACCESS	FULL	DEPENDENCY\$
4	INDEX	FULL SCAN	I_OBJ2
5	INDEX	FULL SCAN	I_OBJ2
6	TABLE ACCESS	BY INDEX ROWID BATCHED	OBJ\$
7	INDEX	RANGE SCAN	I_OBJ1
8	TABLE ACCESS	BY INDEX ROWID BATCH	OBJ\$
9	INDEX	RANGE SCAN	I_OBJ1

Good stats

ID	OPERATION	OPTIONS	OBJECT_NAME
0	UPDATE STATEMENT		
1	UPDATE		DEPENDENCY\$
2	FILTER		
3	TABLE ACCESS	FULL	DEPENDENCY\$
4	INDEX	RANGE SCAN	I_OBJ1
5	INDEX	RANGE SCAN	I_OBJ1
6	TABLE ACCESS	BY INDEX ROWID BATCHED	OBJ\$
7	INDEX	RANGE SCAN	I_OBJ1
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9	INDEX	RANGE SCAN	I_OBJ1

9h 59m 23s 87ms

2s 33ms



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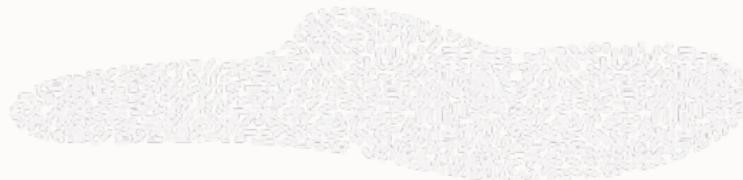
The system statistics describe hardware characteristics such as I/O and CPU performance and utilization.

System statistics enable the query optimizer to more accurately estimate I/O and CPU costs when choosing execution plans.

[Database 19c SQL Tuning Guide, chapter 10](#)

That **sounds** like a good idea

System Statistics | Recommendation



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*... in most cases you should **use the defaults** and not gather system statistics.*

*Databases supporting a **pure data warehouse workload** on an **Oracle Exadata Database Machine** can benefit from system statistics gathered using the EXADATA option*

*... if the workload is **mixed** or you are not in a position to test the effect of using EXADATA system statistics, then **stick to the defaults** even on this platform.*

[Nigel Bayliss, Optimizer blog](#)

System Statistics | Reference

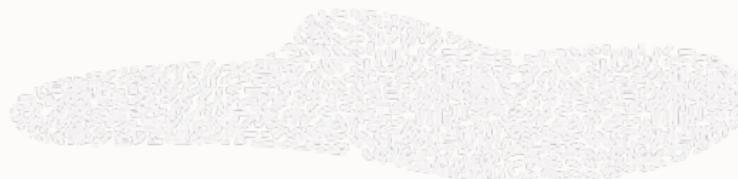
To delete system statistics (and revert to defaults)

```
SQL> EXEC DBMS_STATS.DELETE_SYSTEM_STATS
```

References:

- [Optimizer blog, Should You Gather System Statistics?](#)
- [SQL Tuning Guide, System Statistics](#)
- [SQL Tuning Guide, Guidelines for Gathering Optimizer Statistics Manually](#)
- [Database Performance Tuning Guide, Session and System Statistics](#)

Statistics Advisor | Overview



New in Oracle Database 12.2

Give it a try, but ...

Be aware - potentially it will **eat** your SYSAUX tablespace

Statistics Advisor | Check



How much space is used?

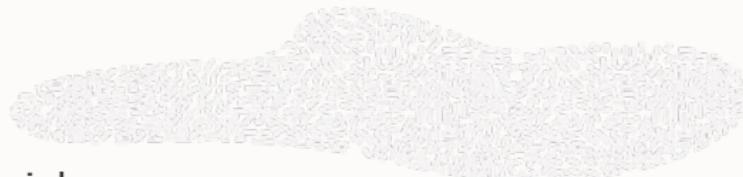
```
SQL> select occupant_name, space_usage_kbytes
      from v$sysaux_occupants;

OCCUPANT_NAME          SPACE_USAGE_KBYTES
-----
SM/ADVISOR              5901376
...
```

```
SQL> select * from (
      select segment_name, owner, tablespace_name, bytes/1024/1024 "size(mb)", segment_type
      from dba_segments
      where tablespace_name='SYSAUX'
      order by bytes desc)
      where rownum <= 10;
```

SEGMENT_NAME	OWNER	TABLESPACE	SIZE(MB)	SEGMENT_TYPE
WRI\$_ADV_OBJECTS	SYS	SYSAUX	3600	TABLE
WRI\$_ADV_OBJECTS_IDX_01	SYS	SYSAUX	1400	INDEX

Statistics Advisor | Disable



If you want to disable the automatic statistics advisor job

1. In 21c, disable the auto task

```
SQL> exec dbms_stats.set_global_prefs('AUTO_STATS_ADVISOR_TASK', 'FALSE');
```

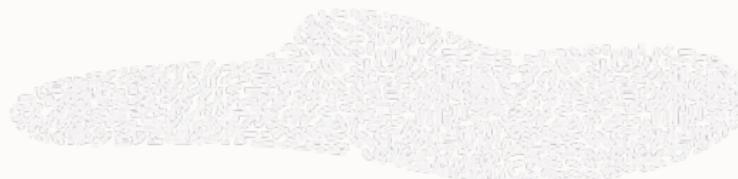
2. 19c, request backport of bug 26749785 and then disable

3. Or disable with workaround

```
SQL> begin
      dbms_advisor.set_task_parameter('AUTO_STATS_ADVISOR_TASK', '_AUTO_MMON_INTERVAL', 2147483647);
      dbms_advisor.set_task_parameter('AUTO_STATS_ADVISOR_TASK', '_AUTO_STATS_INTERVAL', 2147483647);
    end;
  /
```

Pro tip: If you disable the automatic statistics advisor job, you can still do manual executions

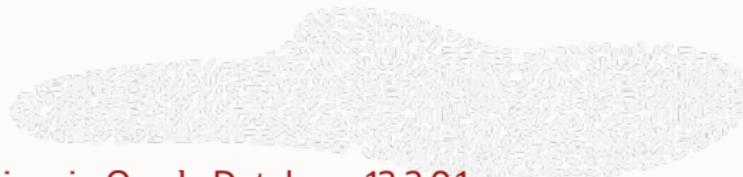
Statistics Advisor | Purge



Refer to these two MOS notes:

1. [SYSAUX Tablespace Grows Rapidly After Upgrading Database to 12.2.0.1 or Above Due To Statistics Advisor \(Doc ID 2305512.1\)](#)
2. [How To Purge Optimizer Statistics Advisor Old Records From 12.2 Onwards \(Doc ID 2660128.1\)](#)

Statistics Advisor | References



- Mike Dietrich blog post: [Oracle Optimizer Statistics Advisor in Oracle Database 12.2.0.1](#)
- MOS note: [SYSAUX Tablespace Grows Rapidly After Upgrading Database to 12.2.0.1 or Above Due To Statistics Advisor \(Doc ID 2305512.1\)](#)
- MOS note: [Optimizer Statistics Advisor In 12.2 \(Quick Overview\) \(Doc ID 2259398.1\)](#)
- Oracle Database 19c SQL Tuning Guide, [Analyzing Statistics Using Optimizer Statistics Advisor](#)

Stats | Things to do right after upgrade

Configure statistics history retention period

- Check space usage:

```
SQL> select space_usage_kbytes/1024 mb
      from v$sysaux_occupants
      where occupant_name='SM/OPTSTAT';
```

- Check retention
 - Default: 31 days

```
SQL> select dbms_stats.get_stats_history_retention from dual;
```

- Adjust setting
 - Example: 10 days

```
SQL> exec dbms_stats.alter_stats_history_retention(10);
```

Stats | Pending Statistics

Potentially mitigate the risk for newly created stats with Pending Statistics

- Turn on Pending Stats

```
SQL> exec dbms_stats.set_global_prefs('PENDING', 'TRUE');
```

- Gather new stats

- Only pending
- Not visible to the app

```
SQL> exec dbms_stats.gather_schema_stats('SH');
```

- Verify stats

```
SQL> alter session set optimizer_use_pending_statistics=TRUE;
```

- If stats are ok, publish

```
SQL> exec dbms_stats.publish_pending_stats;
```

Testing Best Practices



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“ Help me - I have an upgrade problem ... ”

In

95%

of all cases, "upgrade problem" in **reality** is a performance issue
after **upgrade**. Or not database related.

There is exactly one way to mitigate the risk.

TESTING!

Testing | Typical Mistakes

Only 10% of real data used
Artificially created data sets
Outdated data
Tests done on a laptop
No testing tools used
No stale statistics refreshed

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Testing?? What a waste of time!
• *Real* experts fix it *after* go-live ...



Testing | Completeness versus Costs

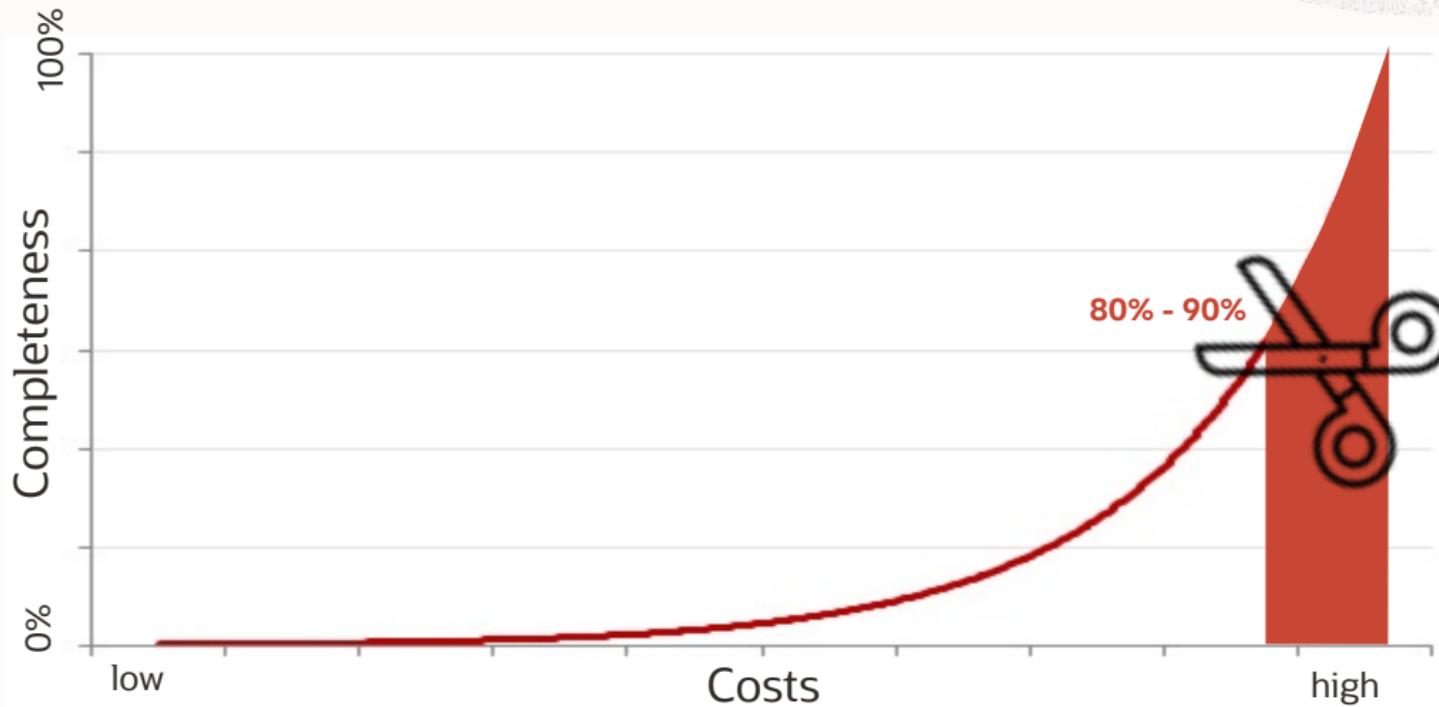


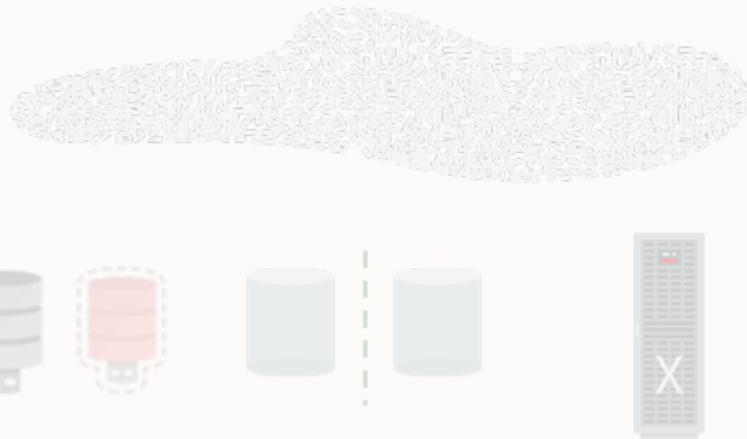


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Testing

Setup a proper test environment

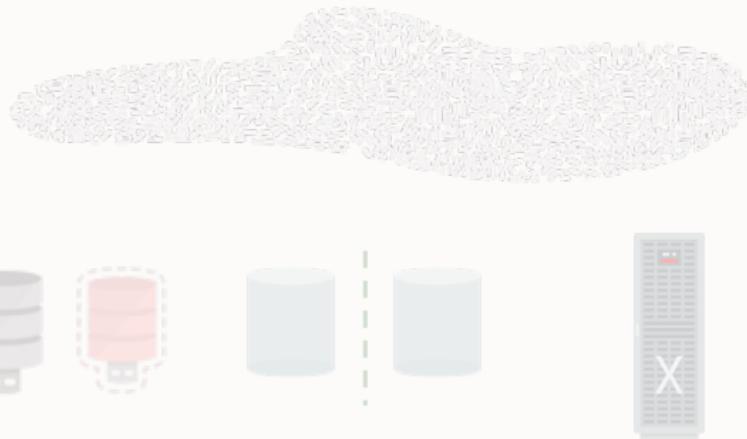
Test Environments | Ideas



Snapshot standby database

- Leverage existing standby databases
- Increase RTO a little - and gain a *free* test environment

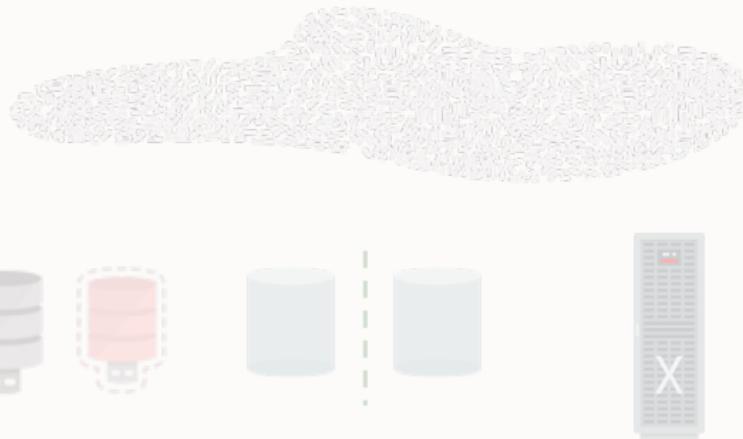
Test Environments | Ideas



Hybrid Data Guard in Oracle Cloud Infrastructure

- Create as many as you like
- Pay-as-you-go

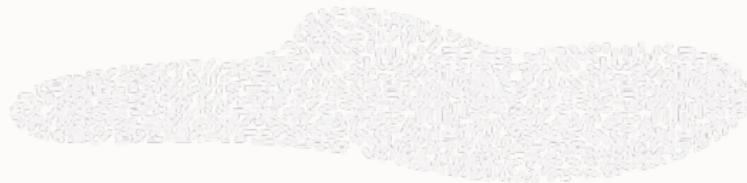
Test Environments | Ideas



CloneDB

- Copy-on-write
- Uses image copies of data files stored on NFS, delta is written locally

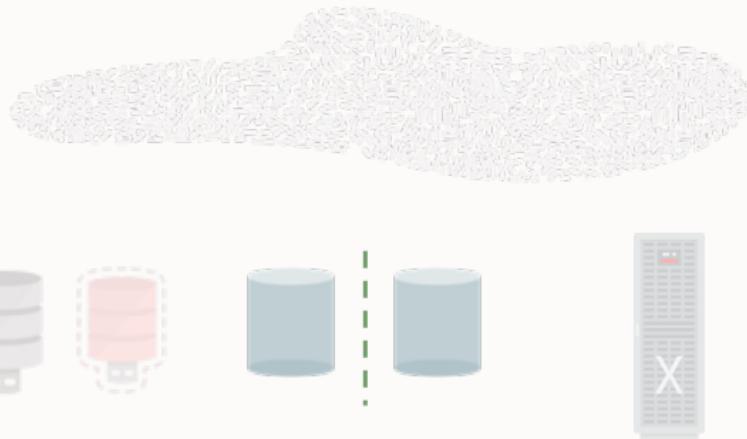
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Snapshot Copy PDBs

- Requires compatible storage system
- Or, use CloneDB functionality (requires source PDB is read-only)

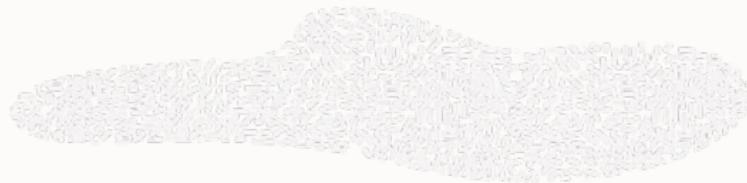
Test Environments | Ideas



Split Mirror Clone PDBs

- Requires ASM and Oracle Database 18c
- A point-in-time version of a PDB

Test Environments | Ideas



Exadata Sparse Snapshots

- Space savings - fast provisioning
- Clone still has access to Exadata storage features

Pro tip: Cool blog post on
[PDB sparse clone](#)



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Testing

Take care on statistics

Statistics | Refresh?

Should you refresh object statistics when you upgrade to Oracle 19c?

- It is not required
- But especially when you upgrade from 11.2, histograms can change
 - Avoid gradual change of plans when stats become stale
 - Better regather object statistics as soon as possible

Statistics | Refresh?

Want to gather statistics fast?

```
SQL> exec dbms_stats.set_global_prefs('CONCURRENT', 'AUTOMATIC');
```

Even faster (if you have CPU available)?

```
SQL> exec dbms_stats.set_global_prefs('DEGREE', DBMS_STATS.AUTO_DEGREE);
```

Fastest (if you have a lot of CPU available)?

```
SQL> exec dbms_stats.set_global_prefs('CONCURRENT', 'AUTOMATIC');
SQL> exec dbms_stats.set_global_prefs('DEGREE', DBMS_STATS.AUTO_DEGREE);
```

Or import fresh statistics from a matching test system

Pro tip: Read Nigel Bayliss' blog on
[How to Gather Optimizer Statistics Fast!](#)

Transporting Statistics | Overview

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When you transport optimizer statistics between databases, you must use DBMS_STATS to copy the statistics to and from a staging table, and tools to make the table contents accessible to the destination database.

[Database 19c SQL Tuning Guide, chapter 17](#)

You can transport the following statistics

- Schema
- Table
- *Database (rare)*
- *Dictionary and fixed objects (rare)*

Pro tip: You can read more about transporting statistics in the [SQL Tuning Guide](#)

Transporting Statistics | Use Cases



Use production statistics in **test** environments

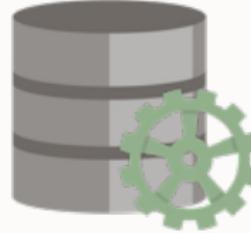
- No data
- Subset of data

Transporting Statistics | Use Cases



- Use production statistics for **query tuning**

Transporting Statistics | Use Cases



Get new statistics after **upgrading** without re-gathering

- Benefit from optimizer changes
- If time does not allow for complete re-gathering of statistics

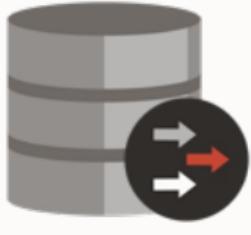
Transporting Statistics | Use Cases



Get new statistics after **migration** without re-gathering

- Character set migration requires new statistics
- Logical migrations (transportable tablespaces, import)

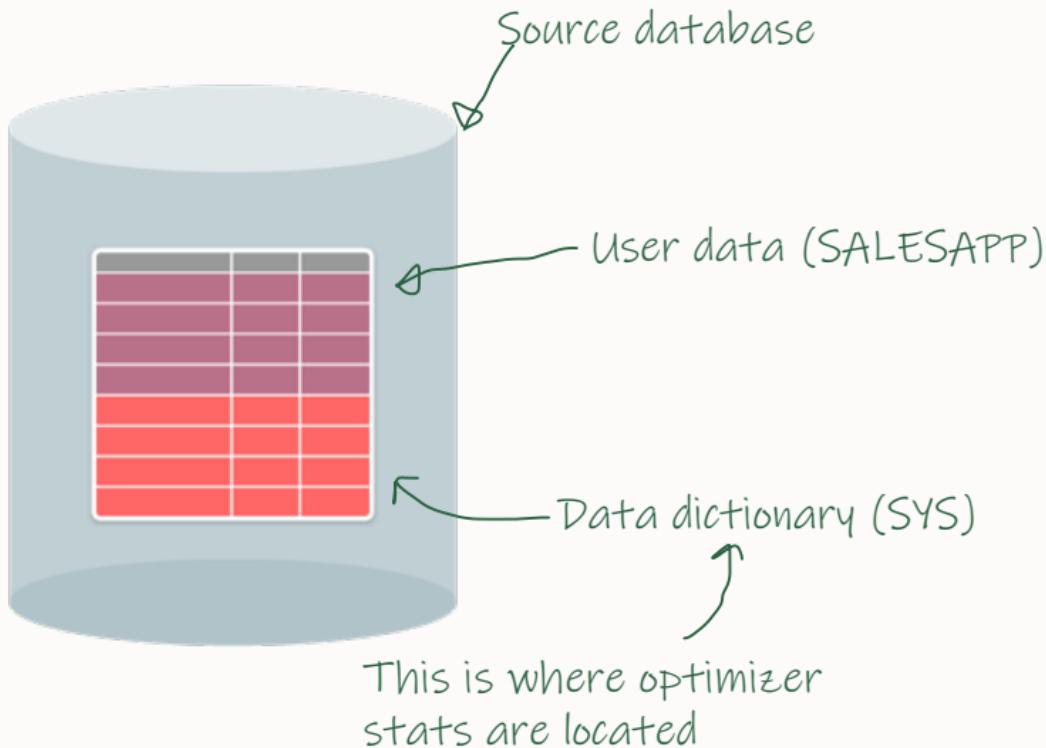
Transporting Statistics | Use Cases



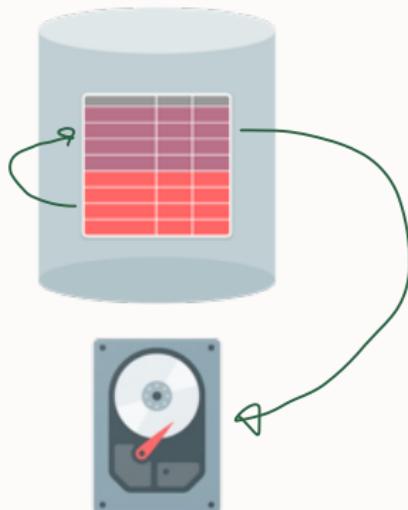
Faster than transporting statistics using **Data Pump**

- Replace native Data Pump statistics export with DBMS_STATS
- Superior performance

Transporting Statistics | Workflow



Transporting Statistics | Workflow



Create staging table

```
SQL> EXEC DBMS_STATS.CREATE_STAT_TABLE (
  ownname => 'SALESAPP',
  stattab => 'OPT_STATS_STG');
```

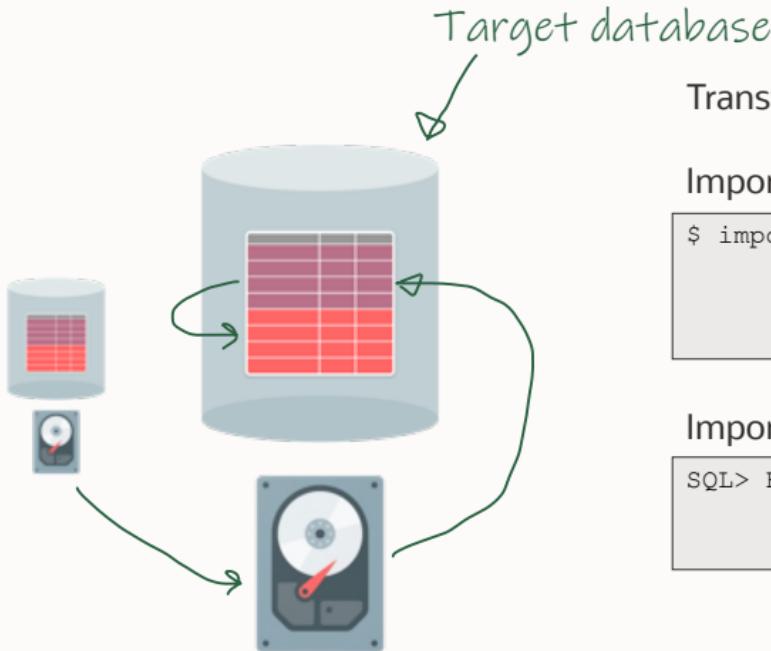
Export statistics to staging table

```
SQL> EXEC DBMS_STATS.EXPORT_SCHEMA_STATS (
  ownname => 'SALESAPP',
  stattab => 'OPT_STATS_STG');
```

Export staging table using Data Pump

```
$ expdp SALESAPP \
  DIRECTORY=mydirectory \
  DUMPFILE=opt_stats_stg.dmp \
  TABLES=OPT_STATS_STG
```

Transporting Statistics | Workflow



Import staging table using Data Pump

```
$ impdp SALESAPP \
  DIRECTORY=mydirectory \
  DUMPFILE=opt_stats_stg.dmp \
  TABLES=OPT_STATS_STG
```

Import statistics from staging table

```
SQL> EXEC DBMS_STATS.IMPORT_SCHEMA_STATS (
  ownname => 'SALESAPP',
  ststattab => 'OPT_STATS_STG');
```

Pro tip: You can also import directly from source database using a database link

Transporting Statistics | Demo

Transporting Statistics | Demo

Source

1. Creating schema and adding data
2. Gathering and checking stats
3. Exporting stats
4. Creating empty schema and gathering stats
5. Importing statistics
6. Checking statistics

Target

1. Creating schema and adding data
2. Gathering and checking stats
3. Exporting stats
4. Creating empty schema and gathering stats
5. Importing statistics
6. Checking statistics

[Watch on YouTube](#)

Transporting Statistics | Nice to Know

- The optimizer does not use statistics stored in a user-owned table - only from dictionary
- Importing statistics make them current (i.e. not stale)
- You can transfer to a higher version - potentially the stats table must be upgraded

```
SQL> EXEC DBMS_STATS.IMPORT_SCHEMA_STATS ( ...  
  
ORA-20002: Version of statistics table "SALESAPP"."OPT_STATS_STG" is too old  
  
SQL> EXEC DBMS_STATS.UPGRADE_STAT_TABLE ('SALESAPP', 'OPT_STATS_STG');
```

- Incremental statistics: optionally export synopses as well

```
SQL> EXEC DBMS_STATS.EXPORT_SCHEMA_STATS ( ...  
      stat_category => 'OBJECT_STATS, REALTIME_STATS, SYNOPSIS');
```

Transporting Statistics | Nice to Know - 2

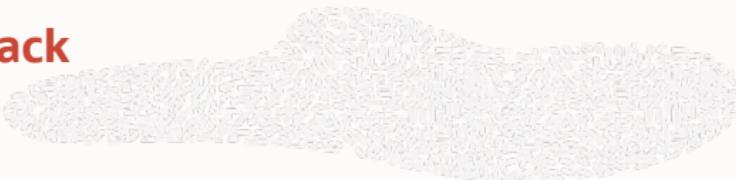
- Gather stats on the staging table after Data Pump import
 - Also, gather on staging table indexes
 - Before executing `DBMS_STATS.IMPORT_SCHEMA_STATS` / `IMPORT_TABLE_STATS`
- If enabled, imported statistics will be added as pending stats until you publish them
- Statistics preferences (`degree`, `method_opt`, `incremental` etc.) are not transported
 - Separate procedures
`DBMS_STATS.EXPORT_TABLE_PREFS` / `DBMS_STATS.IMPORT_TABLE_PREFS`
 - Database-, schema- and table-level procedures
 - Uses the same staging table

Transporting Statistics | Nice to Know - 3

- Important bug fixes:
 - BUG 29296074 - OPT: INTERNAL MERGE STATEMENT FOR SCAN RATE IS SLOW USING GV\$ TABLES

Export, Import or Deletion of Table Statistics into statistics table is slow with DBMS_STATS in 19.16 (Doc ID 2949078.1)

Transporting Statistics | Customer Feedback



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We have adopted this method for stats. We migrated 60 TB database from AIX to Exadata using cross-platform transportable tablespace without stats.

*Gathering stats from scratch took **more than 36 hours**.
We transported the statistics in **less than 2 hours**.*

[Taqir Hassan, comment on YouTube channel](#)



You **finally** did it.

You produced the **ultimate**
stats.

It is time to **lock 'em!**

Locking Statistics | Use Cases

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You can lock statistics to prevent them from changing.

[Database 19c SQL Tuning Guide, chapter 15](#)

- Certain static environments
- Highly volatile tables
- Enable use of dynamic statistics
- ... and all the exceptions

Locking Statistics | **Show it**

Lock table statistics

```
SQL> EXEC DBMS_STATS.LOCK_TABLE_STATS(ownname=>'MYAPP', tabname=>'MY_VOLATILE_TAB1');
```

You can also lock at:

- Schema-level
- Partition-level

You can also unlock statistics

Pro tip: Locking table statistics also lock index and partition statistics

Locking Statistics | Worth mentioning

- Locking and unlocking statistics causes cursor invalidation
- To achieve plan stability, consider SQL Plan Management
- Statistics advisor will warn you about locked statistics
- Locking information is not exported

Incremental Statistics | Overview

Introduced in Oracle 11g

Improved since Oracle 12.2.0.1

Concept

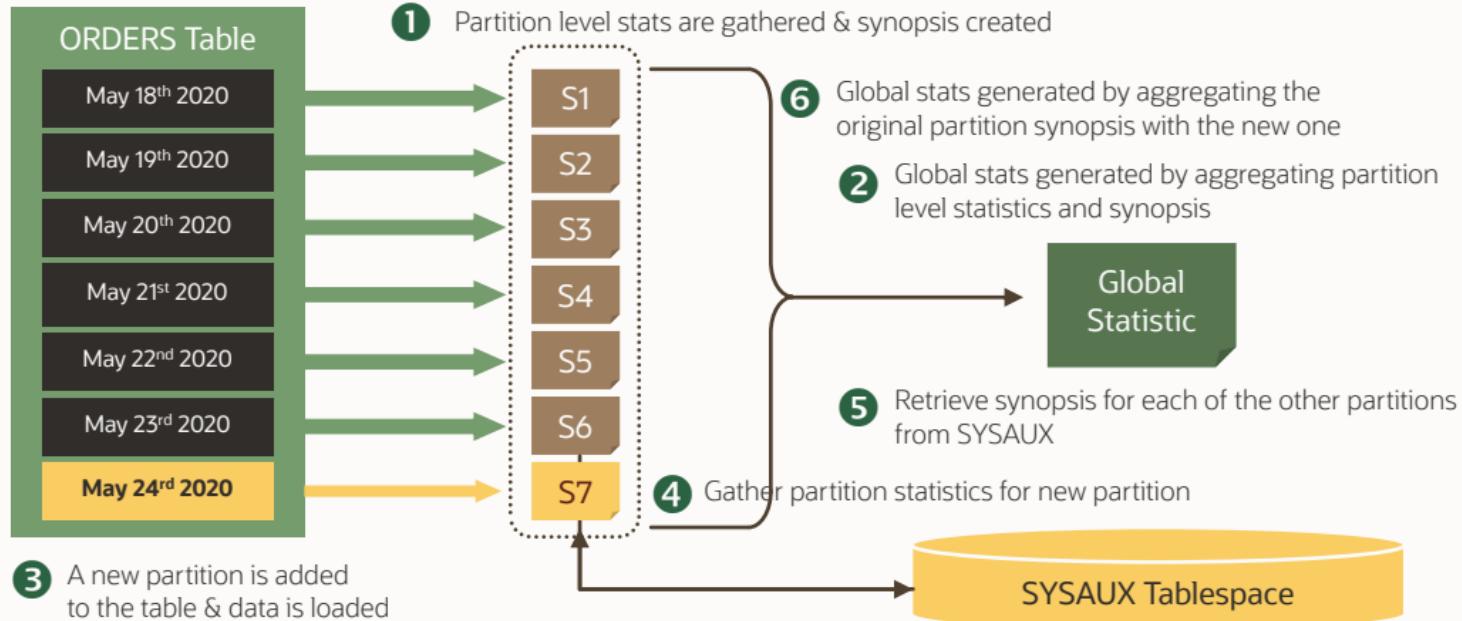
- Update global statistics for partitioned objects quickly with less overhead
- List and interval partitioning

Known pitfalls

- Original synopses on disk can easily consume hundreds of GB
- By default, transporting stats with DBMS_STATS does not include synopses

New efficient algorithm for synopses can drastically reduce space consumption

Incremental Statistics | Concept



Incremental Statistics | Important Configuration Steps

Enable incremental stats on a per-table basis

```
SQL> EXEC dbms_stats.set_table_prefs(null, 'ORDERS', 'INCREMENTAL', 'TRUE');
```

Must-Do

- *Changed* partitions won't be eligible for new stats generation

```
SQL> exec dbms_stats.set_database_prefs('INCREMENTAL_STALENESS', 'USE_STALE_PERCENT');
```

Optional

- Adjust the stale percentage – default: 10%

```
SQL> exec dbms_stats.set_database_prefs('STALE_PERCENT', '15');
```

Incremental Statistics | Upgrade to Oracle 19c

New very efficient HyperLogLog algorithm used

- Synopses shrink significantly by factors of 10x – 25x
- Available since Oracle 12.2.0.1

Two options

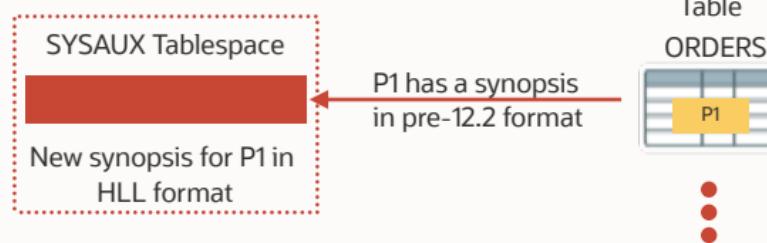
- Coexistence of old and new synopses (default)
- Regathering of synopses

Recommendation

- Use regathering as coexistence leads to issues

Incremental Statistics | Upgrade to Oracle 19c

Replace old with new synopses



- Drop old synopses

```
SQL> exec dbms_stats.delete_table_stats(..., cascade_indexes=>FALSE, stat_category=>'SYNOPSIS');
```

- Choose new HLL algorithm

```
SQL> exec dbms_stats.set_table_prefs('XY', 'ORDERS', 'APPROXIMATE_NDV_ALGORITHM', 'HYPERLOGLOG');
```

- Disallow coexistence and force regathering

```
SQL> exec dbms_stats.set_table_prefs('XY', 'ORDERS', 'INCREMENTAL_STALENESS', 'NULL');
```

See also: [Optimizer Blog](#)

Performance Stability Prescription



SQL Tuning Set | **Definition**



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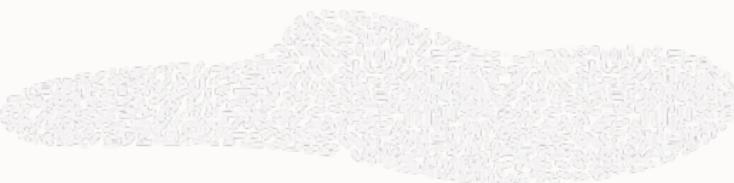
An SQL Tuning Set (STS) enables you to group SQL statements and related metadata in a single database object, which you can use to meet your tuning goals.

Specifically, SQL tuning sets achieve the following goals:

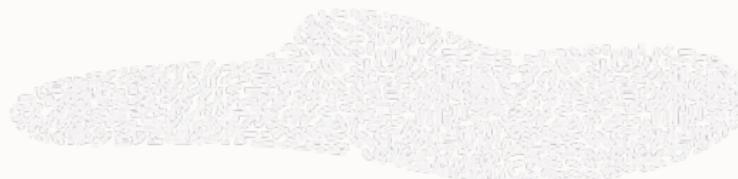
- *Providing input to the performance tuning advisors*
- *Transporting SQL between databases*

[Database 19c SQL Tuning Guide, chapter 23](#)

SQL Tuning Set | **Definition**



SQL Tuning Set | **Create**



First, create a SQL Tuning Set

```
SQL> BEGIN
  DBMS_SQLSET.CREATE_SQLSET (
    sqlset_name  => 'UPG_STS_1',
    description   => 'For upgrade - from source'
  );
END;
/
```



Pro tip: You can also use [DBMS_SOLTUNE](#) to create a SQL Tuning Set

SQL Tuning Set | Capture



Next, capture statements from AWR

```
SQL> DECLARE
  begin_id number;
  end_id number;
  cur sys_refcursor;
BEGIN
  SELECT min(snap_id), max(snap_id) INTO begin_id, end_id
  FROM dba_hist_snapshot;

  open cur for
    select value(p) from table(dbms_sqltune.select_workload_repository(
      begin_snap      => begin_id,
      end_snap        => end_id,
      basic_filter    => 'parsing_schema_name not in (''SYS'')',
      ranking_measure1 => 'elapsed_time',
      result_limit    => 5000,
      attribute_list   => 'ALL')) p;

    dbms_sqltune.load_sqlset('UPG_STS_1', cur);

  close cur;

END;
/
```



Pro tip: Consider excluding other internal schemas like *DBSNMP, ORACLE_OCM, LBACSYS, WMSYS, XDB, SYSTEM*

SQL Tuning Set | Capture



Optionally, capture statements from cursor cache

```
SQL> BEGIN
  DBMS_SQLSET.CAPTURE_CURSOR_CACHE_SQLSET(
    sqlset_name      => 'UPG_STS_1',
    time_limit       => 900,
    repeat_interval  => 60,
    capture_option   => 'MERGE',
    capture_mode     => DBMS_SQLTUNE.MODE_ACCUMULATE_STATS,
    basic_filter     => 'parsing_schema_name not in (''SYS'')',
    sqlset_owner      => NULL,
    recursive_sql    => 'HAS_RECURSIVE_SQL');
  END;
/

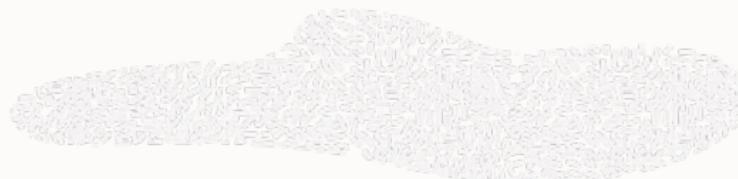
```



Careful - puts load on your system

Pro tip: [SQL Tuning Guide](#) shows how to load all statements from a given schema

SQL Tuning Set | Transport



Pack into staging table on **source** database

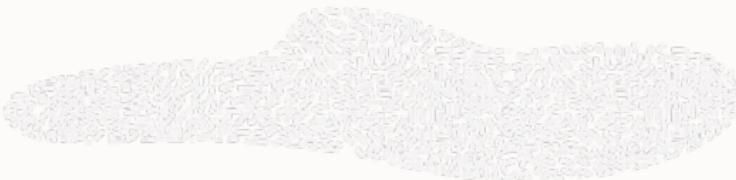
```
SQL> BEGIN
      DBMS_SQLTUNE.CREATE_STGTAB_SQLSET (
          table_name      => 'UPG_STGTAB_1');
      DBMS_SQLTUNE.PACK_STGTAB_SQLSET (
          sqlset_name     => 'UPG_STS_1',
          staging_table_name => 'UPG_STGTAB_1');
  END;
```

Optionally, use `DBMS_SQLTUNE.REMAP_STGTAB_SQLSET` to remap between `CON_DBID`

Export with Data Pump

```
$ expdp user \
  directory=mydirectory
  dumpfile=upg_stgtab_1.dmp
  tables=UPG_STGTAB_1
```

SQL Tuning Set | Transport



Import with Data Pump to target database

```
$ impdp user \
  directory=mydirectory
  dumpfile=upg_stgtab_1.dmp
  tables=UPG_STGTAB_1
```

Unpack staging table

```
SQL> BEGIN
  DBMS_SQLTUNE.UNPACK_STGTAB_SQLSET (
    sqlset_name      => '%',
    replace          => true,
    staging_table_name => 'UPG_STGTAB_1'
  );
END;
/
```

SQL Tuning Set | License



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SQL Tuning Sets can also be accessed by way of database server APIs and command-line interfaces. Usage of any subprograms in the DBMS_SQLSET package to manage SQL Tuning Sets is part of the EE and EE-ES offerings.

In addition, the following subprograms, part of the DBMS_SQLTUNE package, provide an older interface to manage SQL Tuning Sets and are also part of the EE and EE-ES offerings:

`ADD_SQLSET_REFERENCE`
`CREATE_STGTAB_SQLSET`
`LOAD_SQLSET`
`SELECT_CURSOR_CACHE`
`UNPACK_STGTAB_SQLSET`

`CAPTURE_CURSOR_CACHE_SQLSET`
`DELETE_SQLSET`
`PACK_STGTAB_SQLSET`
`SELECT_SQLSET`
`UPDATE_SQLSET`

`CREATE_SQLSET`
`DROP_SQLSET`
`REMOVE_SQLSET_REFERENCE`
`SELECT_WORKLOAD_REPOSITORY`

[Database 19c Database Licensing Information User Manual](#)

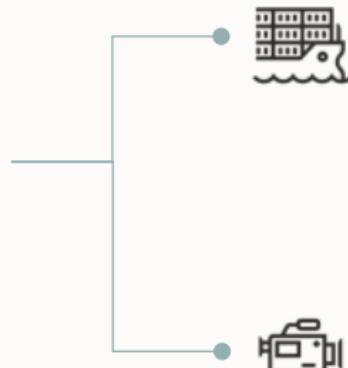
SQL Tuning Set | **Recommendation**

Always capture workload data into SQL Tuning Sets



Collect at least
one full month of workload data
before any upgrade or migration

Workload Information



AWR – Automatic Workload Repository

Change the retention to a minimum of 40 days

```
exec  
dbms_workload_repository.modify_snapshot_settings(  
retention=>57600, interval=>30);
```

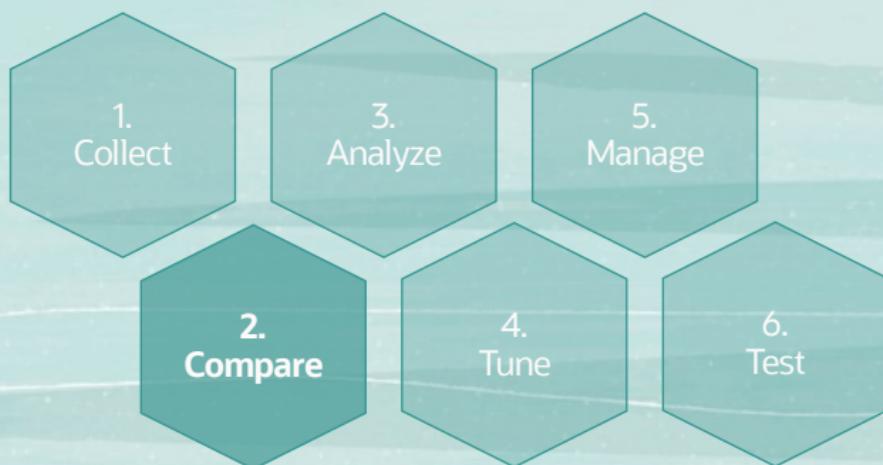
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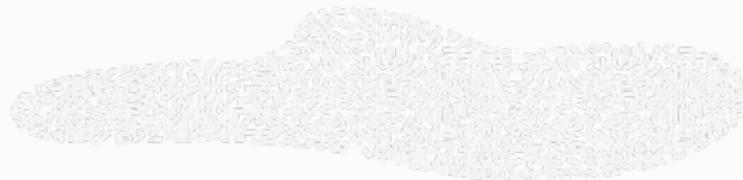
Use AWR as main source

Capture from Cursor Cache for OLTP

Collect statements, plans and stats in SQL Tuning Sets

Performance Stability Prescription





Compare AWR report
from two different periods

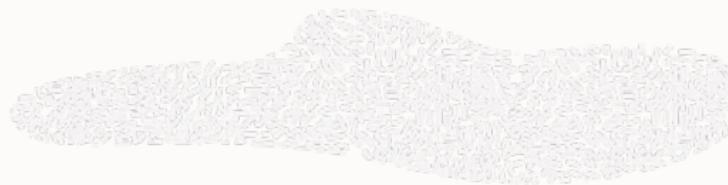
1. AWR snapshot
2. Execute workload
3. AWR snapshot
4. Upgrade
5. AWR snapshot
6. Execute workload
7. AWR snapshot
8. Compare

AWR | Diff Report

Use script `awrddrpt.sql`

WORKLOAD REPOSITORY COMPARE PERIOD REPORT										
Report Summary										
Snapshot Set	DB Name	DB Id	Unique Name	DB Role	Edition	Release	Cluster	CDB	Host	Std Block Size
First (1st)	DB19	786900047	DB19	PRIMARY EE	19.0.0.0	NO	NO	hol.localdomain	8192	
Second (2nd)	DB19	786900047	DB19	PRIMARY EE	19.0.0.0	NO	NO	hol.localdomain	8192	
Snapshot Set	Instance	Inst num								
First (1st)	DB19	1								
Second (2nd)	DB19	1								
Snapshot Set	Begin Snap Id	Begin Snap Time	End Snap Id	End Snap Time	Avg Active Users	Elapsed Time (min)	DB time (min)			
1st	3	25-Feb-21 21:14:07 (Thu)	4	25-Feb-21 21:19:09 (Thu)	0.0	5.0	0.0			
2nd	5	25-Feb-21 21:24:11 (Thu)	6	25-Feb-21 21:29:12 (Thu)	0.0	5.0	0.0			
%Diff										
Host Configuration Comparison										

AWR | Diff Report



Use script `awrddrpt.sql`

Top Timed Events

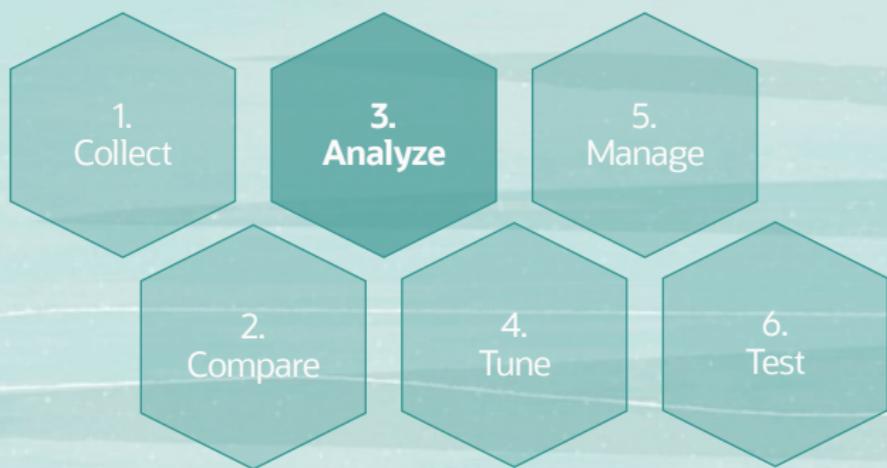
- Events with a "-" did not make the Top list in this set of snapshots, but are displayed for comparison purposes

1st						2nd					
Event	Wait Class	Waits	Time(s)	Avg Time(ms)	%DB time	Event	Wait Class	Waits	Time(s)	Avg Time(ms)	%DB time
CPU time			68,289.05		43.73	db file sequential read	User I/O	22,193,998	114,919.21	5.18	23.17
db file sequential read	User I/O	6,686,953	37,737.81	5.64	24.17	enq: SS - contention	Configuration	3,913	98,997.90	25,299.74	19.96
gc buffer busy	Cluster	12,508,244	23,886.55	1.91	15.30	CPU time			73,786.55		14.88
TCP Socket (KGAS)	Network	680,629	12,514.65	18.39	8.01	row cache lock	Concurrency	73,940	48,472.30	655.56	9.77
db file scattered read	User I/O	1,572,296	4,271.68	2.72	2.74	reliable message	Other	41,148	47,600.87	1,156.82	9.60

Requires Enterprise Edition + Diagnostic pack

Pro tip: For migrations, you can [transport AWR data](#)

Performance Stability Prescription



SQL Performance Analyzer | SPA



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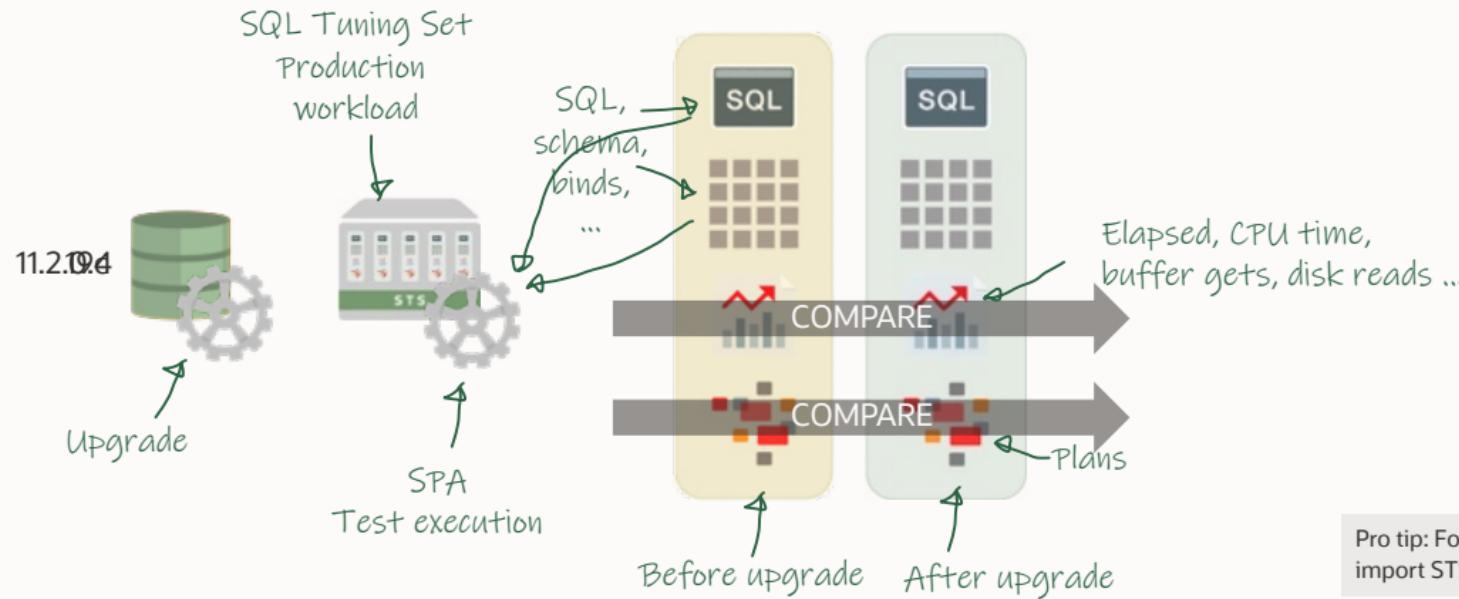
*SPA provides fine-grained assessment of environment changes on SQL **execution plans** and **statistics** by running the SQL statements both in isolation and serially manner in before-change and after-change environments.*

SPA functionality is well integrated with existing SQL Tuning Set (STS), SQL Tuning Advisor, and SQL Plan Management functionality.

[Oracle Database Real Application Testing Data Sheet](#)

Requires Enterprise Edition + Real Application Testing

SPA | Concept



Pro tip: For migrations, import STS into target database

SPA | Regressed Report

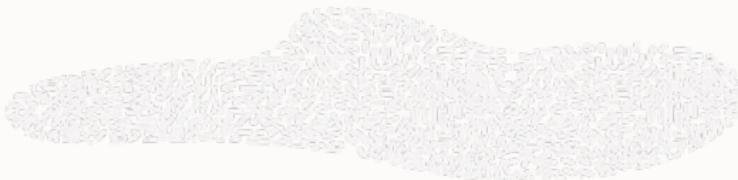


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From production
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From test
execution

SPA | Regressed Report



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SPA | Regressed Report



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SQL Details: czzzubf8fjz96

Parsing Schema APPS

Execution Frequency 3

▷ SQL Text 

```
SELECT /* my_query_21 */ /*+ ORDERED INDEX(t1) USE_HASH(t1) */ 'B' || t2.take_02 take_02, 'B' || t2.take_15
take_15, 'B' || t2.take_08 take_08, 'r' || t3.record_nr price_eur_id,...
```

Single Execution Statistics

	Execution Statistic Name	Net Impact on Workload (%)	Execution Statistic Collected		Net Impact on SQL (%)
			SQL Trial 1	SQL Trial 2	
Elapsed Time (sec)		-0.240	0.112	0.164	-46.170
Parse Time (sec)		0.220	0.001	0.001	14.490
CPU Time (sec)		-0.030	0.108	0.114	-5.040
User I/O Time (sec)		0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
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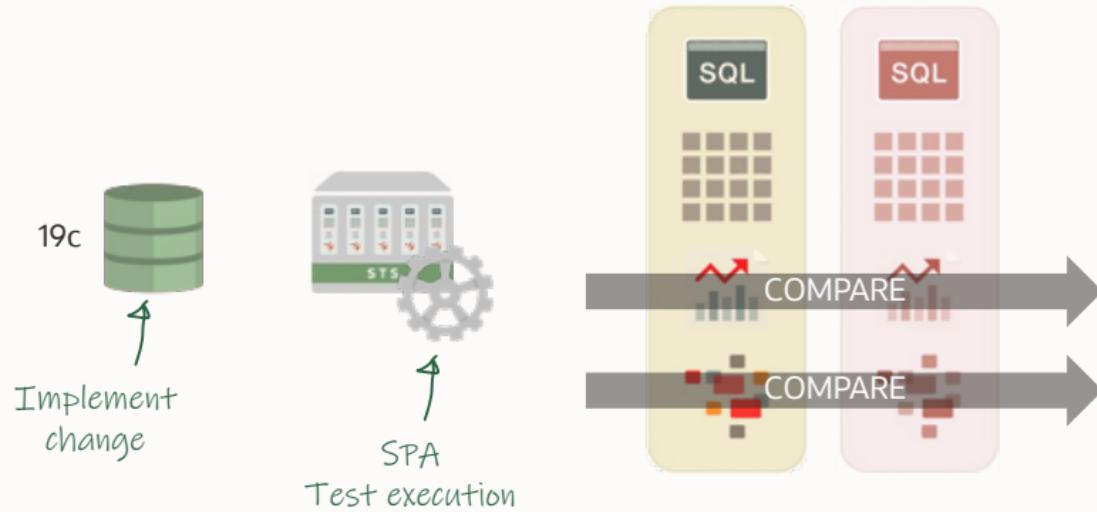


SPA | Regressed Report

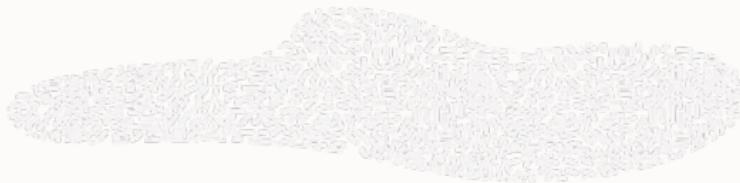


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Plan Comparison						
SQL_TRIAL_1353942463446						
Plan Hash Value 1165613724						
Expand All Collapse All						
Operation	Line ID	Object	Rows	Cost	Predicate	
▼ SELECT STATEMENT	0		1	9,830		
▼ HASH GROUP BY	1		1	9,830		
▼ MERGE JOIN	2		1	9,829		
▼ SORT JOIN	3		8	9,795		
▼ HASH JOIN	4	↳	8	9,794	T1"."PERIOD_CODE"=T4"."FLYER...	
INDEX RANGE SCAN	5	APPS.IDX\$\$_080F0004	1	2	T4"."EXPORT_LIC_NR"=14659	
▼ HASH JOIN	6		14,210	9,792	T1"."SKU_NR"=T2"."SKU_NR" AN...	

SPA | Continuous Improvement



SPA | Regressed Report



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SPA also compares the number of rows returned and the value of those

SPA computes a hash value of the result set for comparison



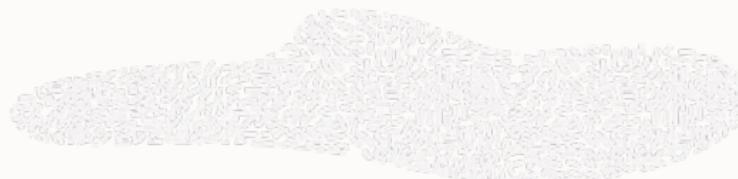
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Use OCI!

Check out [Performance Testing using the Oracle Cloud for Upgrades and Migrations](#)

Performance Stability Prescription



SQL Tuning Advisor



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SQL Tuning Advisor is SQL diagnostic software in the Oracle Database Tuning Pack.

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SQL Tuning Advisor is a mechanism for resolving problems related to suboptimally performing SQL statements.

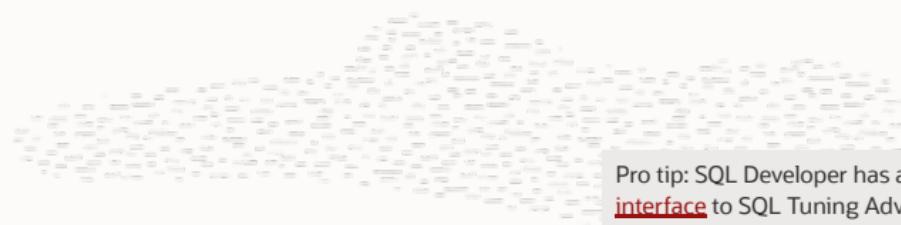
[Database 19c SQL Tuning Guide, chapter 24](#)

SQL Tuning Advisor | **Findings**

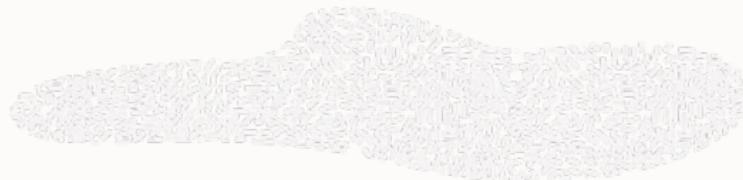
Types of findings:

1. Collection of object statistics
2. Creation of indexes
3. Rewriting SQL statements
4. Creation of SQL profiles

.... and more



SQL Profiles



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A SQL profile is a database object that contains auxiliary statistics specific to a SQL statement.

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The corrected statistics in a SQL profile can improve optimizer cardinality estimates, which in turn leads the optimizer to select better plans.

[Database 19c SQL Tuning Guide, chapter 26](#)

SQL Profiles | Facts

1. Part of Tuning Pack

- Included in some cloud offerings

2. Stores a set of hints that causes the optimizer to select a plan

3. Affects one statement only



SQL Profiles | Facts

4. You can enable/disable a profile
5. Transparent to application
 - Does not require application changes
6. Persistent and transportable
 - [Documentation](#)
7. Useful with literals using `FORCE_MATCH=TRUE`



SQL Profile | Testing



1. Enable profile for selected environments only

```
SQL> exec :p_name := dbms_sqltune.accept_sql_profile(
  task_name=>'TASK_21944',
  name=>'XT_PROFILE',
  category=>'TEST_ENV');
```

2. Verify the profile – it doesn't get used by the optimizer in the live environment

```
SQL> alter session set sqltune_category='TEST_ENV';
```

3. Accept and make visible to all sessions ('DEFAULT')

```
SQL> exec dbms_sqltune.alter_sql_profile(
  name=>'XT_PROFILE',
  attribute_name=>'CATEGORY',
  value=>'DEFAULT');
```



Transporting SQL Profiles

Transporting | SQL Profiles

Prepare

Extract

Transfer

Load

SQL Profiles are stored in data dictionary

To transfer - profiles must be converted to a transportable format and stored in a **staging table**

```
SQL> BEGIN
      DBMS_SQLTUNE.CREATE_STGTAB_SQLPROF (
          table_name    => 'STAGING',
          table_owner   => 'SQLPROFILES');
      END;
/

```

Pro tip: Create the staging table in a schema and/or tablespace that you are migrating

Transporting | SQL Profiles

Prepare
Extract
Transfer
Load

Select the profiles that you want to transfer

To extract all profiles from DEFAULT category

```
SQL> BEGIN
  DBMS_SQLTUNE.PACK_STGTAB_SQLPROF (
    staging_table_name  => 'STAGING',
    staging_schema_owner => 'SQLPROFILES');
  END;
  /
```

Pro tip: You can filter on `profile_name` and `profile_category` as well

Transporting | SQL Profiles

Prepare
Extract
Transfer
Load

If the staging table is migrated together with the user data, you can skip this step

Use Data Pump to transfer that single table

```
SQL> CREATE DATABASE LINK src_link ... ;  
  
$ impdp system network_link=src_link \  
  tables=SQLPROFILES.STAGING ...
```

Pro tip: You can also import from dump file if there is no network connectivity to source database

Transporting | SQL Profiles

Prepare
Extract
Transfer
Load

Finally, load the profiles from the staging table into the data dictionary

```
SQL> BEGIN
      DBMS_SQLTUNE.UNPACK_STGTAB_SQLPROF (
        staging_table_name  => 'STAGING',
        staging_schema_owner => 'SQLPROFILES',
        replace            => TRUE);
      END;
      /
```

Pro tip: You can load a SQL profile into the same or higher release

Transporting | SQL Profiles

Additional resources

Documentation

[Database 19c, SQL Tuning Guide, Transporting a SQL Profile](#)

[How to Move SQL Profiles from One Database to Another \(Including to Higher Versions\)](#)
[\(Doc ID 457531.1\)](#)



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Real World Example

SQL Tuning Advisor in Action



6 simple steps with

SQL TUNING ADVISOR

can make a huge difference

1. Identify the problem

2. Select candidate statement

3. Get statement details

4. Execute tuning task

5. View report results

6. Apply recommendations

Real World Example | SQL Tuning Advisor in Action

1. Identify problem to be solved

We should be trying to understand why the export of statistics to the stats table took 1.5 hrs, but the import took 48 hours to complete. Instead, it appears that the SR engineer wants to create some type of work-around situation.

I would think we would want to trace the import stats table process to determine why it is taking so long. The stats table that was created only contains 2.8 GBs of data, which should be able to be loaded in mins....

Your help to keep this on track is appreciated...

Real World Example | SQL Tuning Advisor in Action

2. Select candidate statement to tune
 - Generate an AWR Report

SQL ordered by Elapsed Time

- Resources reported for PL/SQL code includes the resources used by all SQL statements called by the code.
- % Total DB Time is the Elapsed Time of the SQL statement divided into the Total Database Time multiplied by 100
- % Total - Elapsed Time as a percentage of Total DB time
- %CPU - CPU Time as a percentage of Elapsed Time
- %IO - User I/O Time as a percentage of Elapsed Time
- Captured SQL account for 100.3% of Total DB Time (s): 3,679
- Captured PL/SQL account for 99.0% of Total DB Time (s): 3,679



Elapsed Time (s)	Executions	Elapsed Time per Exec (s)	%Total	%CPU	%IO	SQL Id	SQL Module	SQL Text
3,606.81	0		98.03	99.28	0.02	f344p5b5rrn81	SQL*Plus	BEGIN DBMS_STATS.IMPORT DATABASE...
1,772.44	74	23.95	48.17	99.73	0.00	f4k19gvr3nu38	SQL*Plus	insert into sys.dbms_stats_id...
869.66	74	11.75	23.64	99.83	0.00	1h1k2ynzfv5v1	SQL*Plus	insert into sys.dbms_stats_id...
792.05	68	11.55	21.53	99.87	0.00	7c6w10f79j6g3	SQL*Plus	insert into sys.dbms_stats_id...
65.28	4	16.32	1.77	40.00	69.02	bm6v0v6m643m0	sqlplus@edwdev1adm01.humana.com (TNS V1-V3)	select owner, sum(bytes)\1024

Real World Example | SQL Tuning Advisor in Action

3. Get SQL Statement Details

	DBMS_XPLAN.BUILD_PLAN_XML(TABLE_NAME=>gv\$sql_plan, PLAN_TAG=>plan, FILTER_PREDS=>.055, FORMAT=> - PROJECTION +ALIAS +ADAPTIVE') ELSE NULL END XPLAN_XML FROM DUAL) V1) CONST_VIEW
dnak3w997p17j	update tabpart\$ set dataobj# = :1, part# = :2, ts# = :3, file# = :4, block# = :5, pctfree\$ = :6, pctused\$ = :7, initrans = :8, maxtrans = :9, flags = :10, analyzetime = :11, samplesize = :12, rowcnt = :13, blkcnt = :14, empcnt = :15, avgspc = :16, chncnt = :17, avgrln = :18 where obj# = :19
f344p5b5rrn81	BEGIN DBMS_STATS.IMPORT_DATABASE_STATS(stattab => 'STATS'); END;
f4k19gvr3nu38	insert into sys.dbms_stats_id_map_tab (c5, c1, c2, cn) select distinct s.c5, s.c1, s.c2, d.partition_name cn from "SYSTEM"."STATS" s, (select u.name table_owner, op.name table_name, op.subname partition_name, tp.part# partition_position from user\$ u, obj\$ op, (select obj#, part# from tabpart\$ union all select obj#, part# from tabcompart\$) tp where u.user# = op.owner# and op.type# = 19 and op.obj# = tp.obj#) d where s.c5 = :1 and s.c1 = :2 and s.type in ('T', 'C', 'E', 'P', 'H', 'B', 'I', 'c', 'M', 'U', 'G', 'L') and s.n13 is not null and s.c2 is not null and s.c3 is null and s.c5 = d.table_owner and s.c1 = d.table_name and s.n13 = d.partition_position and s.c2 != d.partition_name and s.statid is null
fcj8q52nqgfc5	update indcompart\$ set part# = :1, subpartcnt = :2, flags = :3, deffts# = :4, defpctfree = :5, definitrans = :6, defmaxtrans = :7, definiexts = :8, defextsize = :9, defminexts = :10, defmaxexts = :11, defextpct = :12, deflists = :13, defgroups = :14, defbufpool = :15, deflogging = :16, analyzetime = :17, samplesize = :18, rowcnt = :19, blevel = :20, leafcnt = :21, distkey = :22, lblkkey = :23, dblkkey = :24, clufac = :25, spare2 = :26, spare3 = :27, defmaxsize = :28 where obj# = :29
fdzqjmpvd6hvY	SELECT O.DATAOBJ# FROM SYS.OBJ\$ O WHERE O.OBJ# = :B1

Real World Example | SQL Tuning Advisor in Action

4. Create and run SQL Tuning task

```
VARIABLE stmt_task VARCHAR2(64);

EXEC :stmt_task := DBMS_SQLTUNE.CREATE_TUNING_TASK(sql_id => 'f4k19gvr3nu38');
EXEC DBMS_SQLTUNE.EXECUTE_TUNING_TASK(:stmt_task);

SET LONG 10000
SET LONGCHUNKSIZE 10000
SET LINESIZE 100

SPOOL sql_tune_f4k19gvr3nu38.txt

SELECT dbms_sqltune.report_tuning_task( :stmt_task )FROM DUAL;

SPOOL OFF;
```

Real World Example | SQL Tuning Advisor in Action

5. View report results

```
DBMS_SQLTUNE.REPORT_TUNING_TASK(:STMT_TASK)

Schema Name: SYS
SQL ID   : f4k19gvr3nu38
SQL Text  :      insert into sys.dbms_stats_id_map_tab (c5, c1, c2, cn)
                  select distinct s.c5, s.c1, s.c2, d.partition_name cn
                  from "SYSTEM"."STATS" s,
                      (select u.name table_owner, op.name table_name,
                           op.subname partition_name,
                           tp.part# partition_position
                      from user$ u, obj$ op,
                           (select obj#, part# from tabpartv$
                            union all
                            select obj#, part# from tabcompartv$
                           ) tp
                     where u.user# = op.owner# and op.type# = 19 and op.obj# = tp.obj#
                  ) d
                  where s.c5 = :1 and s.c1 = :2
                  and s.type in ('T','C','E','P','H','B','t','c','M','U','G','L')
                  and s.n13 is not null and s.c2 is not null and s.c3 is null
                  and s.c5 = d.table_owner and s.c1 = d.table_name
                  and s.n13 = d.partition_position
                  and s.c2 != d.partition_name and s.statid is null

Bind Variables :
 1 - (VARCHAR2(32)):STG
 2 - (VARCHAR2(32)):MTH_MBR_COV_PLAN_PCP_STG
```

Real World Example | SQL Tuning Advisor in Action

5. View report results

FINDINGS SECTION (8 findings)

1- Statistics Finding

Optimizer statistics for table "SYS"."TABPART\$" and its indices are stale.

Recommendation

- Consider collecting optimizer statistics for this table.
execute dbms_stats.gather_table_stats(ownname => 'SYS', tabname =>
'TABPART\$', estimate_percent => DBMS_STATS.AUTO_SAMPLE_SIZE,
method_opt => 'FOR ALL COLUMNS SIZE AUTO');

Rationale

The optimizer requires up-to-date statistics for the table in order to select a good execution plan.

Real World Example | SQL Tuning Advisor in Action

5. View report results

6- SQL Profile Finding (see explain plans section below)			
A potentially better execution plan was found for this statement.			
Recommendation (estimated benefit: 67.2%)			
- Consider accepting the recommended SQL profile.			
execute dbms_sqltune.accept_sql_profile(task_name => 'TASK_21944', task_owner => 'SYS', replace => TRUE);			
Validation results			
The SQL profile was tested by executing both its plan and the original plan and measuring their respective execution statistics. A plan may have been only partially executed if the other could be run to completion in less time.			
Original Plan With SQL Profile % Improved			
Completion Status:	COMPLETE	COMPLETE	
Elapsed Time (s):	2.588553	.802211	69 %
CPU Time (s):	2.57261	.799878	68.9 %
User I/O Time (s):	.000557	0	100 %
Buffer Gets:	182336	59805	67.2 %
Physical Read Requests:	7	0	100 %
Physical Write Requests:	0	0	
Physical Read Bytes:	114688	0	100 %
Physical Write Bytes:	0	0	
Rows Processed:	0	0	
Fetches:	0	0	
Executions:	1	1	

Real World Example | SQL Tuning Advisor in Action

5. View report results

7- Index Finding (see explain plans section below)

The execution plan of this statement can be improved by creating one or more indices.

DBMS_SQLTUNE.REPORT_TUNING_TASK(:STMT_TASK)

Recommendation (estimated benefit: 88.23%)

- Consider running the Access Advisor to improve the physical schema design or creating the recommended index.
`create index SYSTEM.IDX$$_55B80001 on SYSTEM.STATS("N13");`

Rationale

Creating the recommended indices significantly improves the execution plan of this statement. However, it might be preferable to run "Access Advisor" using a representative SQL workload as opposed to a single statement. This will allow to get comprehensive index recommendations which takes into account index maintenance overhead and additional space consumption.

Real World Example | SQL Tuning Advisor in Action

5. View report results

8- Alternative Plan Finding

Some alternative execution plans for this statement were found by searching the system's real-time and historical performance data.

The following table lists these plans ranked by their average elapsed time. See section "ALTERNATIVE PLANS SECTION" for detailed information on each plan.

id	plan hash	last seen	elapsed (s)	origin	note
1	1434278210	2017-01-11/01:19:14	1.254	Cursor Cache	not reproducible
2	1201858690	2017-01-11/01:19:23	1.355	Cursor Cache	not reproducible
3	3167061724	2017-01-11/01:19:39	2.580	Cursor Cache	not reproducible
4	2779611207	2017-01-11/01:19:30	2.855	Cursor Cache	not reproducible
5	2908117100	2017-01-11/05:00:47	3.093	Cursor Cache	not reproducible

Information

- All alternative plans other than the Original Plan could not be reproduced in the current environment.
- The plan with id 1 could not be reproduced in the current environment. For this reason, a SQL plan baseline cannot be created to instruct the Oracle optimizer to pick this plan in the future.
- The plan with id 2 could not be reproduced in the current environment. For this reason, a SQL plan baseline cannot be created to instruct the Oracle optimizer to pick this plan in the future.
- The plan with id 3 could not be reproduced in the current environment. ~~For this reason, a SQL plan baseline cannot be created to instruct the Oracle optimizer to pick this plan in the future.~~

Real World Example | SQL Tuning Advisor in Action

6. Act on findings

- Follow 5 statistics recommendations to gather stats on 5 tables

Hi All,

Follow the action plan as below. The import_database_stats finish in 2hrs 11 min.

```
CREATE INDEX STATS_IDX ON STATS(C1,C5,TYPE,STATID);
```

1- Statistics Finding

- Consider collecting optimizer statistics for this table.

```
execute dbms_stats.gather_table_stats(ownname => 'SYS', tablename =>
'TABPART$', estimate_percent => DBMS_STATS.AUTO_SAMPLE_SIZE,
method_opt => 'FOR ALL COLUMNS SIZE AUTO');
```

2- Statistics Finding

- Consider collecting optimizer statistics for this table.

```
execute dbms_stats.gather_table_stats(ownname => 'SYS', tablename =>
'TABCOMPART$', estimate_percent => DBMS_STATS.AUTO_SAMPLE_SIZE,
```

- Result: 20x improvement!



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SQL Patch

SQL Patch | Overview

Repair SQL statements

- Add hints
- Transparent
- Persistent
- Introduced in Oracle 11g
 - Oracle 11g and 12.1: `DBMS_SQLDIAG_INTERNAL`
 - Oracle 12.2 and newer: `DBMS_SQLDIAG`
- Available in EE and SE2
- Documentation:
https://docs.oracle.com/en/database/oracle/oracle-database/19/arpls/DBMS_SQLDIAG.html#GUID-0F29CD05-6BF3-4EEB-90F5-E2465865C255
- Useful scripts, e.g., `create_sql_patch.sql`:
<http://kerryosborne.oracle-guy.com/2013/06/06/sql-gone-bad-but-plan-not-changed/>

SQL Patch | Version Differences



Oracle 11.2 and 12.1

- DBMS_SQLDIAG_INTERNAL
(undocumented)

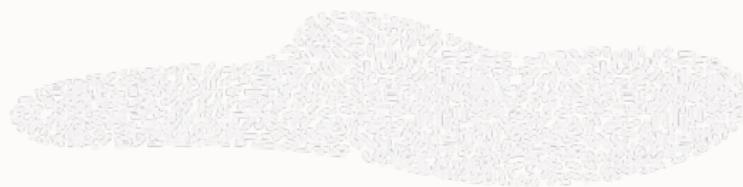
```
BEGIN
  SYS.DBMS_SQLDIAG_INTERNAL.i_create_patch(
    sql_text  => 'select * big_table',
    hint_text => 'PARALLEL(big_table,10)',
    name      => 'big_table_sql_patch');
END;
/
```

Oracle 12.2 and newer

- DBMS_SQLDIAG

```
DECLARE
  l_patch_name  VARCHAR2(4000);
BEGIN
  l_patch_name :=
  SYS.DBMS_SQLDIAG.create_sql_patch(
    sql_text  => 'select * from big_table',
    hint_text => 'PARALLEL(big_table,10)',
    name      => 'big_table_sql_patch');
END;
/
```

Pro tip: You can use *SQL ID* instead of the full *SQL text*



SQL Patch

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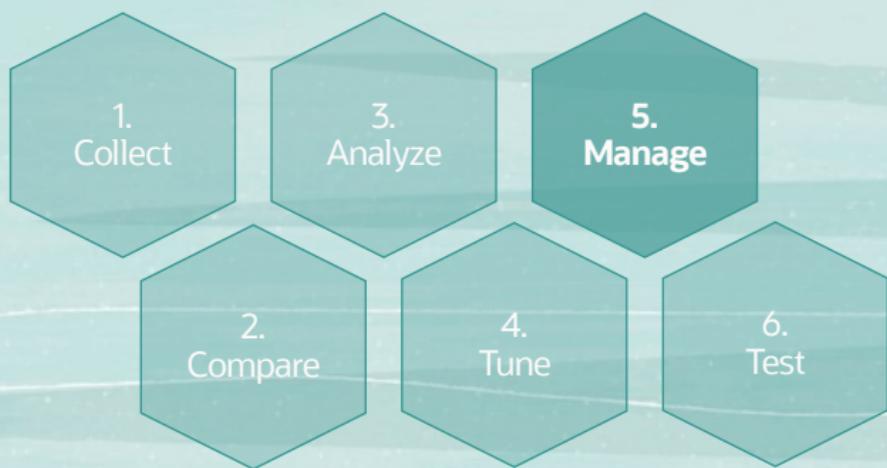
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SQL Repair Advisor | Overview

Also check out [SQL Repair Advisor](#)

- Available through Cloud Control
- [DBMS_SQLDIAG](#)
 - 19c enhancement [SQL DIAGNOSE AND REPAIR](#)

Performance Stability Prescription



SQL Plan Management | SPM



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*SQL plan management uses a mechanism called a **SQL plan baseline**, which is a set of accepted plans that the optimizer is allowed to use for a SQL statement.*

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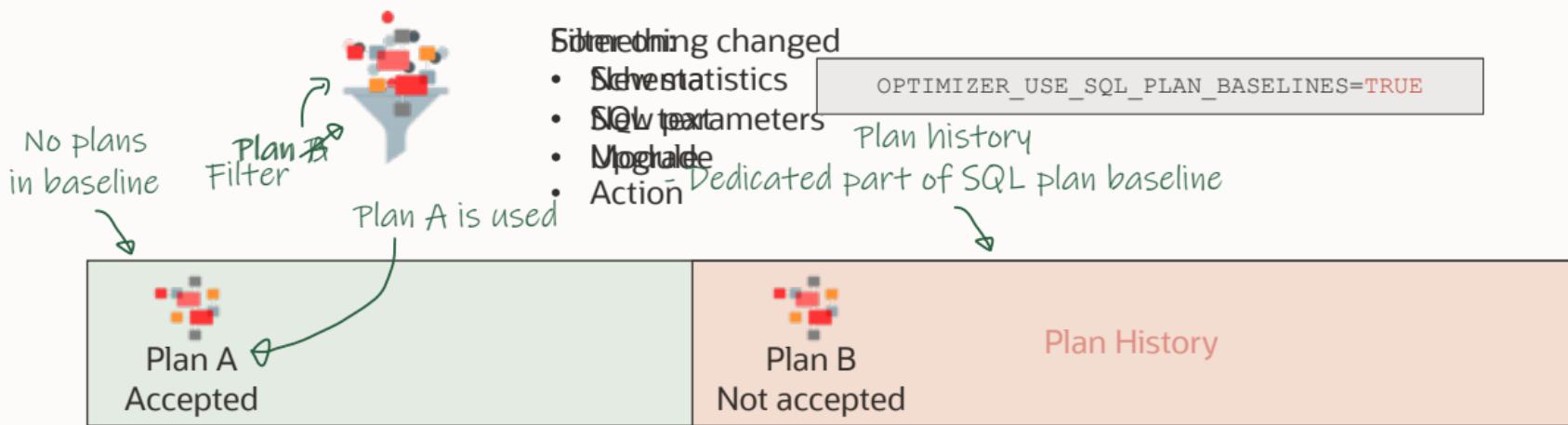
SQL plan management prevents performance regressions caused by plan changes.

[Database 19c SQL Tuning Guide, chapter 27](#)

SPM | Concept



Repetitive SQL





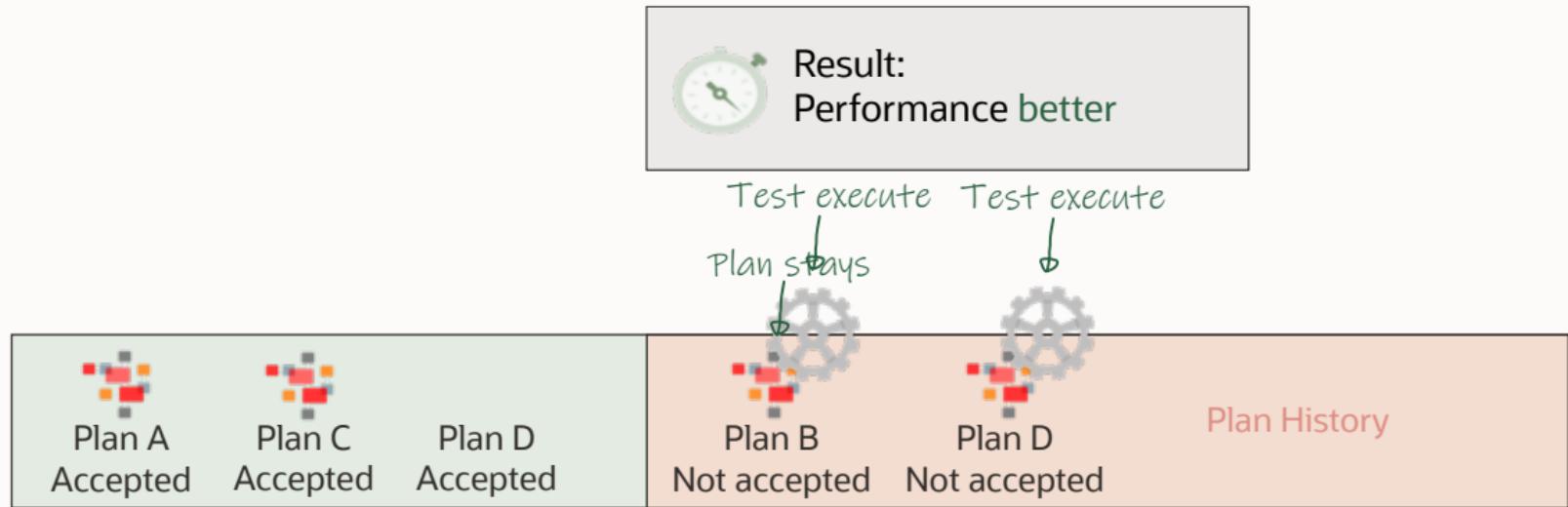
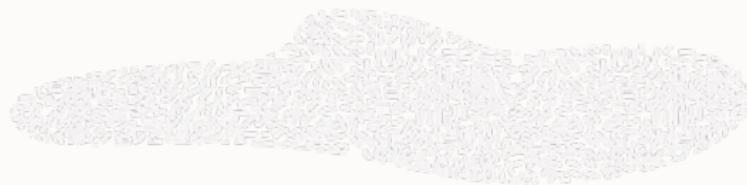
The plans in a SQL plan baseline can be:

- Enabled
- Accepted
- Fixed

To change status use `DBMS_SPM.ALTER_SQL_PLAN_BASELINE`

You can also prevent plans from getting purged by setting the `autopurge` property.

Pro tip: The `Accepted` attribute can only be set by a test execution





Evolving happens in maintenance task SYS_AUTO_SPM_EVOLVE_TASK

- Part of Automatic SQL Tuning Task

You decide whether recommendations are implemented automatically

```
SQL> BEGIN
  DBMS_SPM.SET_EVOLVE_TASK_PARAMETER(
    parameter => 'accept_plans',
    value      => 'true');
  END;
/

```

You can evolve plans manually

SPM | Management Base



- SQL Management Base is stored in SYSAUX tablespace
- Plans are stored in a LOB
- Unused plans are deleted after 53 weeks
- Space budget is 10 %



Check your settings

```
SQL> select parameter_name, parameter_value from dba_sql_management_config;
```

PARAMETER_NAME	PARAMETER_VALUE
----------------	-----------------

AUTO_CAPTURE_ACTION	
---------------------	--

```
SQL> exec DBMS_SPM.CONFIGURE('plan_retention_weeks', 5);
```

AUTO_CAPTURE_PARSING_SCHEMA_NAME	
----------------------------------	--

AUTO_CAPTURE_SQL_TEXT	
-----------------------	--

AUTO_SPM_EVOLVE_TASK	OFF
----------------------	-----

SQL> exec DBMS_SPM.CONFIGURE('space_budget_percent', 5);	
--	--

PLAN_RETENTION_WEEKS	53
----------------------	----

SPACE_BUDGET_PERCENT	10
----------------------	----

SPM | Load from STS



SQL Tuning set



Plan C



```
SQL> DECLARE
      cnt number;
    BEGIN
      cnt := DBMS_SPM.LOAD_PLANS_FROM_SQLSET('UPG_STS_1');
    END;
  /
```



Plan A
Accepted

Plan C
Accepted

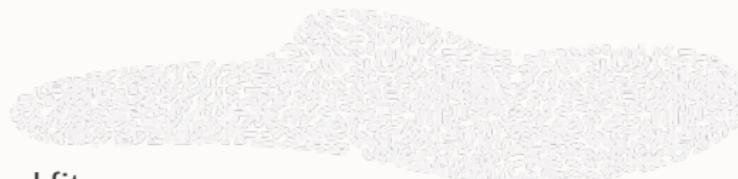


Plan B
Not accepted

Plan History

↑
Automatically
accepted

SPM | What if ... literals

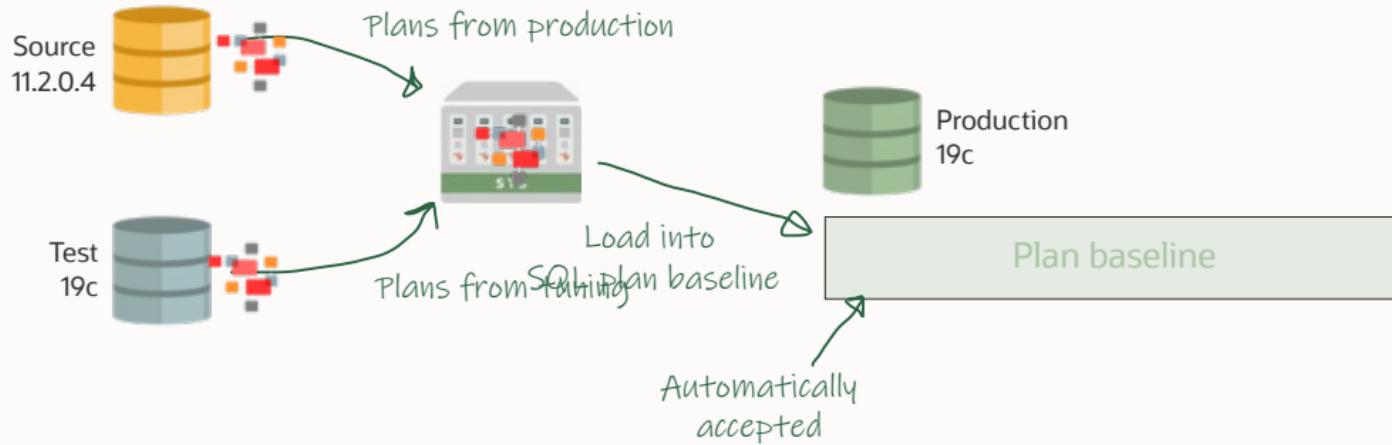


SQL Plan Management in a system with literals is not a good fit

- Many distinct statements
- CURSOR_SHARING = FORCE? No!
- SQL profiles can do force matching

Optimal solution: Change your application to use bind variables

SPM | Use Case



SPM | Use Case



Plan baseline

```
SQL> DECLARE
  plans_loaded NUMBER;
  filter VARCHAR2(255);
BEGIN
  filter := 'sql_id=''czzzubf8fjz96'' AND plan_hash_value=''1165613724'''';

  plans_loaded := DBMS_SPM.LOAD_PLANS_FROM_SQLSET (
    sqlset_name  => 'UPG_STS_1',
    basic_filter => filter
  );
END;
/
```

Pro tip: The function `LOAD_PLANS_FROM_SQLSET` can also fix the plans



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Transporting SQL Plan Baselines

Transporting | SQL Plan Baseline

Prepare

Extract

Transfer

Load

SQL Plan Baselines are stored in data dictionary

To transfer - information must be converted to a transportable format and stored in a **staging table**

```
SQL> BEGIN
      DBMS_SPM.CREATE_STGTAB_BASELINE (
          table_name  => 'SPB_STAGING',
          table_owner => 'SPM');
      END;
/

```

Pro tip: Create the staging table in a schema and/or tablespace that you are migrating

Transporting | SQL Plan Baseline

Prepare
Extract
Transfer
Load

Select the baselines that you want to transfer

To extract the **fixed** and **accepted** plans

```
SQL> DECLARE
  l_count NUMBER;
BEGIN
  l_count := DBMS_SPM.PACK_STGTAB_BASELINE (
    table_name    => 'SPB_STAGING',
    table_owner   => 'SPM',
    enabled       => 'YES',
    fixed         => 'YES');
END;
/
```

Pro tip: You can also use
dba_sql_plan_baselines to find plans

Transporting | SQL Plan Baseline

Prepare
Extract
Transfer
Load

If the staging table is migrated together with the user data, you can skip this step

Use Data Pump to transfer that single table

```
SQL> CREATE DATABASE LINK src_link ... ;  
  
$ impdp system network_link=src_link tables=SPM.SPB_STAGING ...
```

Pro tip: You can also import from dump file if there is no network connectivity to source database

Transporting | SQL Plan Baseline

Prepare
Extract
Transfer
Load

Finally, load the baselines from the staging table into the data dictionary

```
SQL> DECLARE
  l_count NUMBER;
BEGIN
  l_count := DBMS_SPM.UNPACK_STGTAB_BASELINE (
    table_name    => 'SPB_STAGING',
    table_owner   => 'SPM');
END;
/
```

Pro tip: You can apply filters to limit the baselines to import

Transporting | SQL Plan Baseline

Additional resources

[Documentation](#)

[Technical Brief, SQL Plan Management in Oracle Database 19c](#)

[Database 19c, SQL Tuning Guide, Overview of SQL Plan Management](#)

Transporting | SQL Plan Baseline

You can migrate SQL Plan Baselines before downtime.

SPB are not bound to user objects, so you can move them into an empty database

In the empty database, be sure to stop automatic evolution of SPB. You don't want that happening in an empty database.

Disable auto-task or set:

```
BEGIN  
  DBMS_SPM.SET_EVOLVE_TASK_PARAMETER(  
    task_name => 'SYS_AUTO_SPM_EVOLVE_TASK' ,  
    parameter => 'ACCEPT_PLANS',  
    value => 'FALSE');  
END;  
/
```

Transporting | SQL Plan Baseline

Use Data Pump object path = SMB

Note this exclude the following as well:

SQL Profiles

SQL Patches

SQL Plan Directives



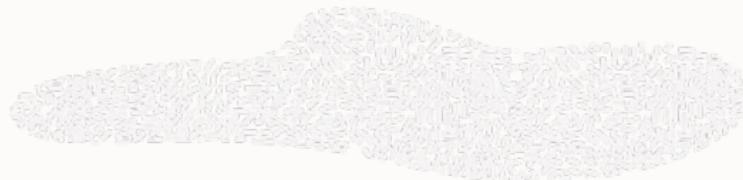
Different **PLAN STABILITY** options

	SQL Plan Management	SQL Profile	SQL Patch
Edition	EE (subset in SE2)	EE + Tuning	All
Method	Restrict plan usage	Improves cardinality estimates	Applies hints
Stores	Entire plan	Statistics / hints	Hints
Transportable	Yes	Yes	Yes
Plan guarantee	Yes	-	-
Maintenance	Automatic evolve	Manual inspection	Manual inspection

Performance Stability Prescription



Database Replay | Overview



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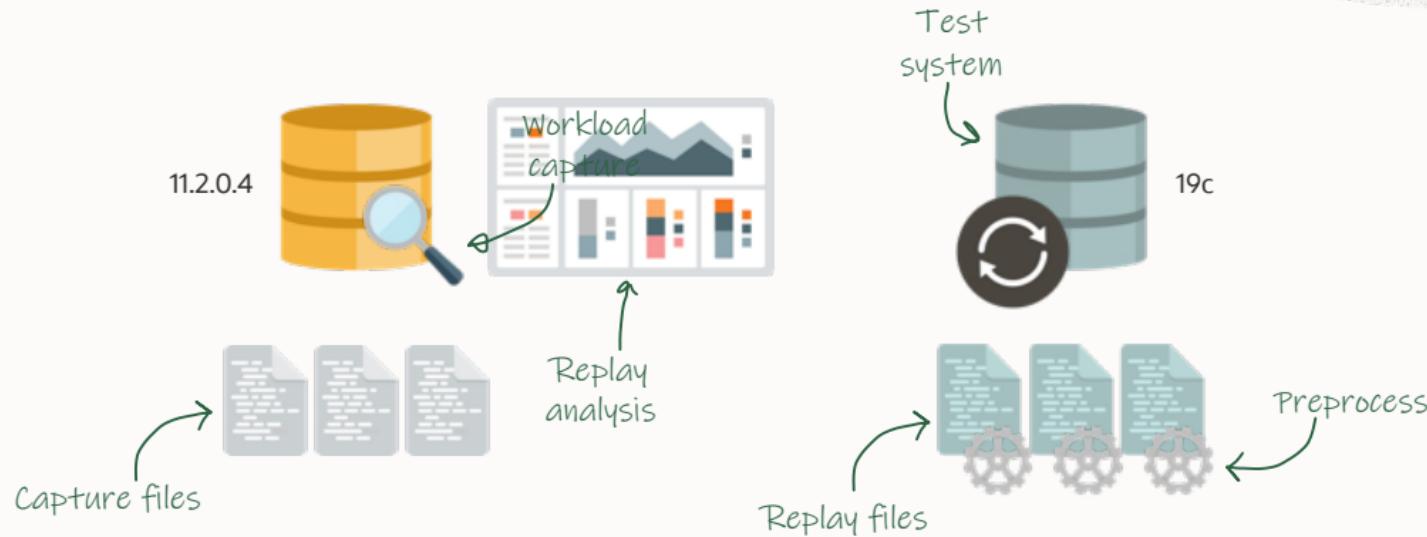
You can use Database Replay to capture a workload on the production system and replay it on a test system with the exact timing, concurrency, and transaction characteristics of the original workload.

This enables you to test the effects of a system change without affecting the production system.

[Database 19c Testing Guide, chapter 9](#)

- Requires Enterprise Edition + Real Application Testing
- [Available in Autonomous Database](#)

Database Replay | Overview



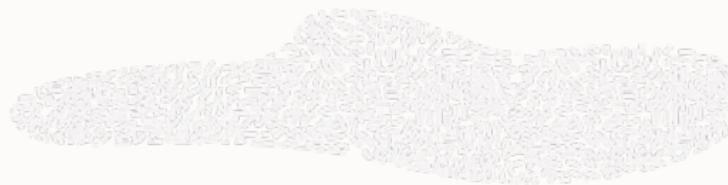
Database Replay | Overview



Replay Report for REPLAY					
DB Name		DB ID		Replay Name	
DB-0000000000000000		12345678901234567890		REPLAY	
Replay Information					
Information		Replay		Capture	
Owner	REPLAY	prod_Filter_capture_20160120_11_12			
Status	COMPLETED	COMPLETED			
Database Name	REPLAY	REPLAY			
Replay Version	12.1.0-0.0.0	12.1.0-0.0.0			
Start Time	08-01-16 08:57:59:83	08-01-16 08:57:57			
End Time	08-01-16 08:58:40	08-01-16 08:57:57			
Duration	0 hours 49 seconds	0 hours 49 seconds			
Directory Object	REPLAY	REPLAY			
Replay Log	REPLAY	REPLAY			
Arch DB ID	REPLAY	REPLAY			
Arch Begin Step ID	40	40			
Arch End Step ID	40	40			
Replay Schedule Name					
Replay Options					
Option Name		Value			
Syncronization	SELECTED				
Concurrent	100%				
Write Log	TRUE				
Write Time Auto Generate	TRUE				
Number of DML Checks	0 (0 Completed, 0 Running)				
Replay Statistics					
Statistics		Replay		Capture	
DB Time	2116,955 seconds	2116,272 seconds			
Average Active Sessions	8,35	8,35			
User calls	7602899	7602130			
Replay Divergence Summary					
Divergence Type		Count		No. Total	
Sessions Not Seen During Replay	0	0			
Open Sessions Seen During Replay	902	902			
Open Sessions Seen During Replay	902	902			
Sessions Modified During Replay	27850	27850			
DBMS with Different Number of Rows Modified	14970	14970			
DBMS with Different Number of Rows Retrieved	96140	96140			
Workload Profile					
Top Events					
Event		Count		No. Activity	
dbi_sequential read	User I/O	26,74			
DBU + read for DBU	DBU	20,29			
dbi_parallel read	User I/O	1,74			
dbi_parallel read	User I/O	1,67			
dbi_parallel read	User I/O	1,67			
dbi_parallel read	User I/O	1,67			
Top Service / Module / Action					

[Ulrike Schwinn on blogs.oracle.com](http://Ulrike.Schwinn.on.blogs.oracle.com)

Database Replay | Overview



Compare Period Report: Capture vs. Replay

General Section

This section compares the performance of a workload replay against the performance of the original captured system. Throughout this report, "Capture" refers to the original captured system, while "Replay" refers to the replayed workload. The most reliable measurement would compare the replayed workload to the captured system as much as possible without it fully executing changes. The second replay would be similar to the first but after applying a single change on a system similar to production. (That system is almost always an app production of production.) The idea in comparing two replays is to isolate the change we want to apply and thus assess the effect of such a change on a system similar to production.)

(+) General Information

(-) Replay Divergence

This section describes the divergence in replay compared to the capture & system. Please look at the full divergence report if this report shows significant divergence. The possible divergence levels are: (NONE) no divergence detected at all (LOW) minimal divergence detected but the performance comparison is not likely still valid (MEDIUM) some non-trivial divergence is detected and the performance comparison is suspect (HIGH) severe divergence detected and the performance comparison is unlikely to be informative.

Divergence Level: Percent of Calls That Diverged
Replay Divergent Compared to Capture: 0.04% [1.88%]

(-) Main Performance Statistics

This section does a high-level performance comparison of the test period. Start by looking for a change in Database Time. If there is no significant change in Database Time, you can assume performance as a whole is similar. You can look for a change in the Database Time section that filters CPU, user CPU, and Cluster to see how the different ingredients of Database Time changed from one period to the next, either to explain a change in Database Time or to see if some pieces regressed and others improved.

	Change in DB Time	Capture Total Time	Replay Total Time	Capture % of DB Time	Replay % of DB Time
Database Time	-58.81%	00:01:09.05 seconds	00:01:04.40 seconds	100	100
DB Time	-69.83%	00:01:09.05 seconds	00:01:04.40 seconds	100	100
User CPU Work Time	+28.50%	00:00:01.74 seconds	00:00:01.74 seconds	11.90	10.81
Cluster CPU Work Time	-66.02%	00:00:01.54 seconds	00:00:01.14 seconds	11.40	10.32

(-) Top SQL/Call

(-) Top SQL by Change in DB Time

This section compares the performance change of individual SQL statements from one period to the next. SQL statements are identified by their unique hashing signature to account for literal usage. They are ordered by the total change in DB Time, as the most relevant changes are those that impact total Elapsed Time the most. Any SQL tuning you do should begin with the statement that regressed by the most DB Time.

From Hashing Signature	Example SQL	Change in DB Time	Change in Average Response Time	Capture DB Time	Replay DB Time	example sql text
130309144601011313667	44m00s10ms	-3488.36 seconds	-0.00%	00:00:00.00 seconds	00:00:00.00 seconds	(+) SELECT A.JOB FROM TIME_WAIT_HIST_JOB_CHART_JOB_S A1, TIME_WAIT_HIST_JOB_C (-)

(-) Top Call by Change in DB Time

This section compares the performance change of individual database calls from one period to the next. A call is identified by File ID and Call Count. They are ordered by the change in DB Time, as the most relevant changes are those that impact total throughout the most. SQL_ID and SQL_Text are displayed for information purpose about the call. Any SQL tuning you do should begin with the statement that regressed by the most DB Time.

(-) Hardware Usage Comparison

(-) CPU Usage

This section describes general CPU usage on the systems and helps see if they were CPU bound. The number of CPUs is summed over all instances. CPU usage is averaged over instances. Note that "Oracle Run-queue Load" is for Oracle processes only and usually underestimates the run-queue wait.

Capture CPU Sockets/Cache/Threading Heuristic	CPU Usage	Oracle Run-queue Load
Capture: 12/12/98	21.22%	6.14 active sessions
Replay: 10/16/94	13.39%	1.61 active sessions
		1.39 active sessions

[Ulrike Schwinn on blogs.oracle.com](https://blogs.oracle.com/u-schwinn/entry/oracle_database_replay_overview)

Database Replay | Facts

1. Platform independent
2. RAC compliant - optionally, change number of nodes
3. Per-PDB capture/replay 
4. Capture and replay across database releases



Database Replay | To Consider

1. Workload capture restrictions
2. Not suitable with **external dependencies**
 - Database link, external tables, UTL_HTTP
3. Recommended to **restart** database before capture
 - Startup in restricted mode, capture automatically sets unrestricted mode
4. Work best from dedicated SCN
 - Data Pump `FLASHBACK_SCN` or restore to specific SCN

Database Replay | **Info**

- Start out with a small capture, then go full-scale
 - This allows you to iron-out issues and prepare for the full-scale capture
- Capture is a light-weight tracing, typically adds 4-5 % overhead
- Capture files are written to disk, disks must be fast
 - Otherwise it will affect the database
- Real-life example: 24h capture produced 4 TB of replay files
- Replay happens on a cold system
 - Use a "Replay Query Only" run to warm-up the system



Performance Stability Prescription





Secrets, Surprises, Underscores

Surprise | Automatic SQL Plan Management

Enabled by default in Oracle 19.3.0

Disabled by default since Oracle 19.4.0, but **only on non-Exadata systems**

- Scans AWR
- Verifies and enables SQL Plan Baselines without DBA intervention
- Exadata-only feature

```
BEGIN
  DBMS_SPM.SET_EVOLVE_TASK_PARAMETER(
    task_name => 'SYS_AUTO_SPM_EVOLVE_TASK',
    parameter => 'ALTERNATE_PLAN_BASELINE',
    value      => 'AUTO'
  );
END;
/
```

```
BEGIN
  DBMS_SPM.SET_EVOLVE_TASK_PARAMETER(
    task_name => 'SYS_AUTO_SPM_EVOLVE_TASK',
    parameter => 'ALTERNATE_PLAN_BASELINE',
    value      => 'EXISTING'
  );
END;
/
```

Surprise | Automatic SQL Plan Management



Different settings per release

Parameter Name	12.1.0.2	12.2.0.1 and 18c	19c
ACCEPT_PLANS	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE
ALTERNATE_PLAN_BASELINE	n/a	EXISTING	AUTO
ALTERNATE_PLAN_LIMIT	n/a	10	UNLIMITED
		CURSOR_CACHE+ AUTOMATIC_WORK	
ALTERNATE_PLAN_SOURCE	n/a	LOAD_REPOSITORY	AUTO

Revert to previous behavior

- Blog Post: [Automatic SPM in Oracle 19c](#)
- Blog Post: [Slight change with Auto SPM in 19.4.0](#)

Automatic SQL Plan Management – Slight Change with 19.4.0

Posted on October 2, 2019 by Mike.Dietrich Oracle Database 19c | SPM - SQL Plan Management

I did blog in more detail about Automatic SQL Plan Management in Oracle 19c. And Roy and I had really a lot of discussion in every customer meeting at OOW19 about it. But there is a slight change to where the feature is available with Oracle 19.4.0.



Automatic SQL Plan Management - Slight Change with 19.4.0

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Slight Change

Surprise | Automatic SQL Tuning Set

In Oracle 19.7.0, an **Automatic SQL Tuning Set** gets populated

- Some customers reported high growth and consumption in SYSAUX
- Disabled since 19.8.0

```
select to_char(max(last_schedule_time), 'DD-MON-YY hh24:mi') LATEST, task_name, enabled
from dba_autotask_schedule_control group by task_name, status, enabled
```

LATEST	TASK_NAME	ENABLED
15-JUL-20 09:56	Auto STS Capture Task	TRUE
15-APR-20 00:16	Auto SPM Task	FALSE

- Blog Post: [Do you love unexpected surprises?](#)
- Disable it manually:

```
exec DBMS_AUTO_TASK_ADMIN.DISABLE(client_name=>'Auto STS Capture Task',
                                     operation=>NULL, window_name=>NULL);
```

Underscores | `optimizer_adaptive_*`

Parameter `optimizer_adaptive_plans`

- Default: TRUE
- Adjust join methods, bitmap pruning and parallel distribution methods during runtime after parsing

Parameter `optimizer_adaptive_statistics`

- Default: FALSE
- Create dynamic statistics, SQL Plan Directives and do automatic reoptimization

Recommendation

- Leave the defaults
- For Oracle 12.2.0.1 and newer

Underscores | _sql_plan_directive_mgmt_control

Parameter _sql_plan_directive_mgmt_control

- SQL Plan Directives get collected in the background
- Even when `optimizer_adaptive_statistics=false` (default)
- But SPDs won't be used
- [MOS Note: 2209560.1 - How To Disable SQL Plan Directive \(SPD\)](#)

Recommendation

- Set `_sql_plan_directive_mgmt_control=0` always everywhere
- For Oracle 12.2.0.1 and newer

Underscores | _cursor_obsolete_threshold

Parameter _cursor_obsolete_threshold

- Parent cursors not getting obsoleted
- Thus, the child cursors under the parent are getting extended beyond 1024 (default in 12.1)
- Massive concurrency issues with cursor mutexes
- [MOS Note: 2431353.1](#)
[High Version Counts For SQL \(>1024\) Post Upgrade To 12.2 and Above Causing Slow Performance](#)

Recommendation

- Set _cursor_obsolete_threshold=1024 **always everywhere**
- For Oracle 12.2.0.1 and newer

Underscores | optimizer_real_time_statistics

Parameter optimizer_real_time_statistics

- Real time and high frequency statistics gathering on DML operations
- Exadata-only feature
- ON by default until 19.9.0
- **OFF by default since 19.10.0**
- [Documentation](#), [Optimizer Blog](#) and [Upgrade Blog](#)

Recommendation

- Until 19.9.0
 - `_optimizer_gather_stats_on_conventional_dml=FALSE`
 - `_optimizer_use_stats_on_conventional_dml=FALSE`
- From 19.10.0 on: `optimizer_real_time_statistics=FALSE`

Table 1-8 Performance

Feature / Option / Pack	S E 2	E E	EE- ES	DB CS SE	DB CS EE	DBC S EE- HP	DBC S EE- EP	ExaC S	Notes
Real-Time Statistics	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	EE-ES: Available on Exadata. Not available on Oracle Database Appliance.
High-Frequency Automatic Optimizer Statistics Collection	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	EE-ES: Available on Exadata. Not available on Oracle Database Appliance.

Underscores | deferred_segment_creation

Parameter deferred_segment_creation

- Table/index created but no row inserted? No space used
- But performance penalty when first row gets inserted
- Only useful in environments where objects get created and dropped massively
- Several corruption bugs, contention issues and more
 - See: [MOS Note 1216282.1 - Parameter "DEFERRED_SEGMENT_CREATION"](#)

Recommendation

- Set `deferred_segment_creation=false` unless you really need this feature
- For Oracle 11.2 and newer

Standard Edition SE2

STANDARD

SE2 | Selection of various Tuning Tools

Many work very well with SE2

- Presentation about free tuning tools by Björn Rost (2016)

Some very useful examples:

- MOATS (latest version is from: 2020)
- Snapper (2020)
- SQLdb360 (2020)
- TUNAs360 (2016)
- Pathfinder (2016)
- many more

And don't forget:

- Event 10046 – MOS Note: 376442.1

SE2 | SQL Plan Management

Parts of SQL Plan Management can be used without Diag/Tuning Pack

- Oracle 19c License Guide

Feature / Option / Pack	SE2	EE	EE-ES	DBCS SE	DBCS EE	DBCS EE-HP	DBCS EE-EP	ExaCS
SQL Plan Management	Y (See Notes)	Y	Y	Y (See Notes)	Y	Y	Y	Y

- Only one SQL plan baseline per SQL statement is allowed and SQL plan evolution is disabled
- Excerpt from the Oracle 19c License Guide – please check for full and current details



Now RELAX ...

And open an SR with
Oracle Support in case
of real trouble

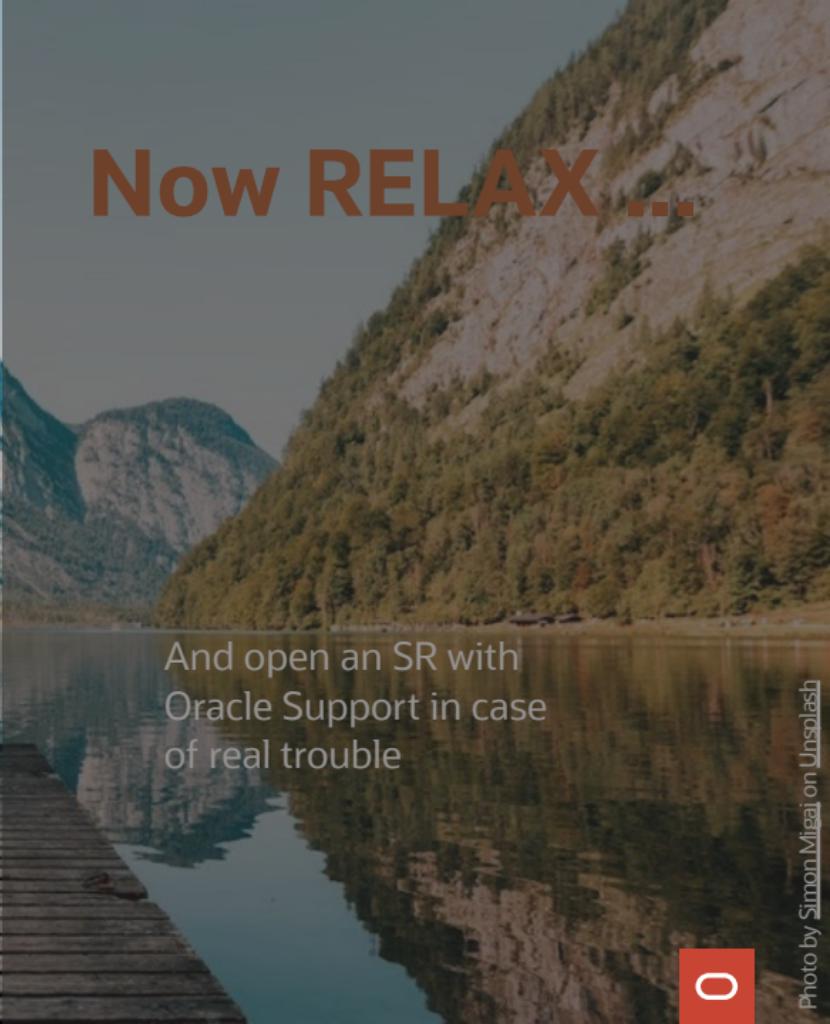




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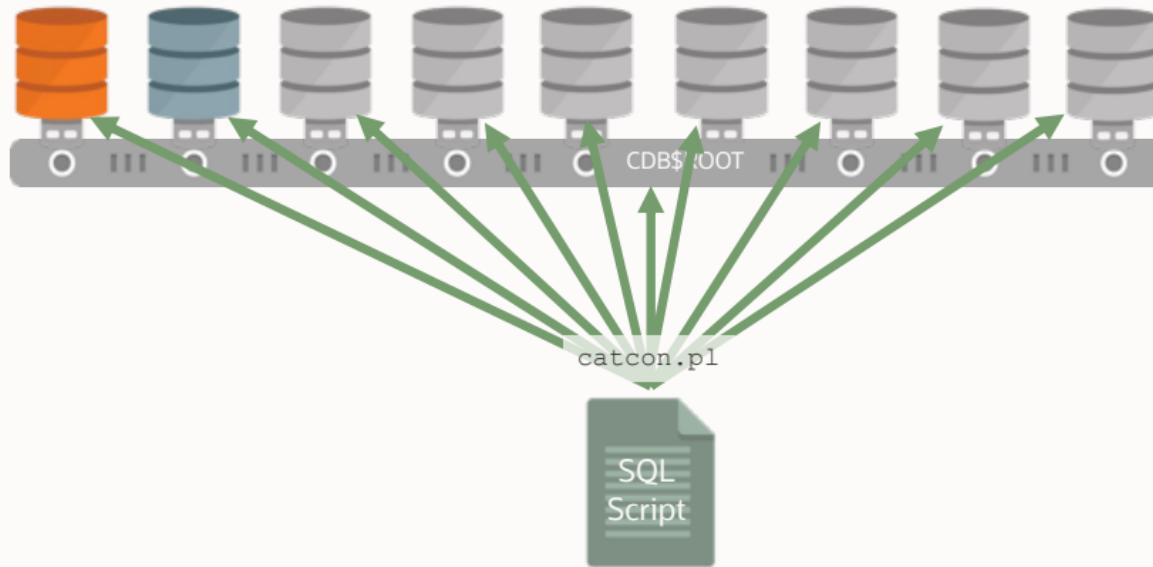
Multitenant Migration



Multitenant | Script Execution

catcon.pl

- [MOS Note: 1932340.1 - How to execute sql scripts in Multitenant environment \(catcon.pl\)](#)



and finally

Multitenant Upgrades

when you adopted the CDB architecture



Everything at Once

Upgrade the entire CDB with all PDBs

More Options

Refreshable Clones as an efficient way to test and perform upgrades

Unplug / Plug / Upgrade

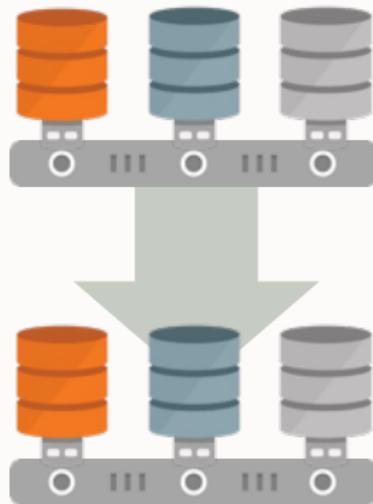
Upgrade one or multiple PDBs in a higher version, new CDB

More Power

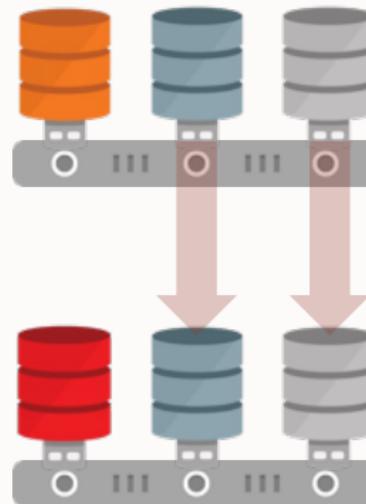
Speed Up "Everything at Once" CDB upgrades

CDB Upgrades | Options

Everything at Once

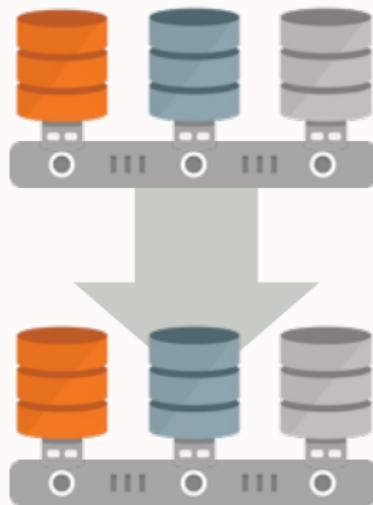


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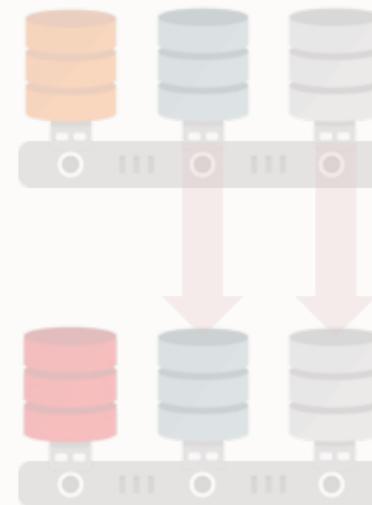


CDB Upgrades | Option 1

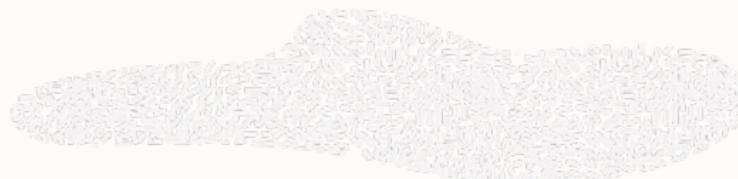
Everything at Once



Unplug / Plug / Upgrade



Parallel Upgrade | Container Database

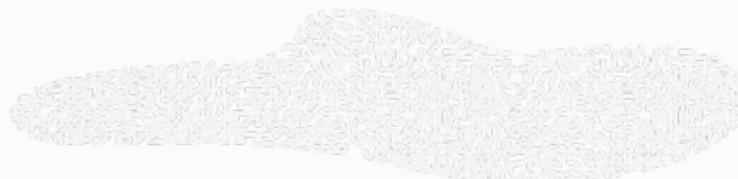


A number of processors are assigned

- Minimum 4
- Maximum unlimited
- Default CPU count

```
$ dbupgrade -n 4
```

Parallel Upgrade | Container Database

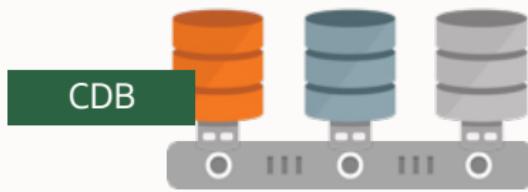
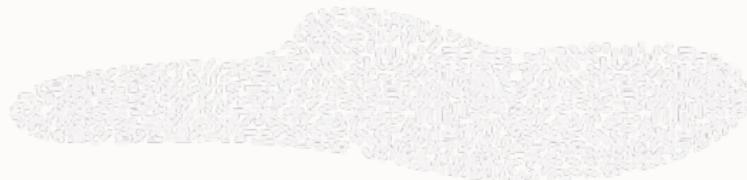


Each PDB gets a number of parallel processes

- Minimum 1
- Maximum 8
- Default 2

```
$ dbupgrade -N 2
```

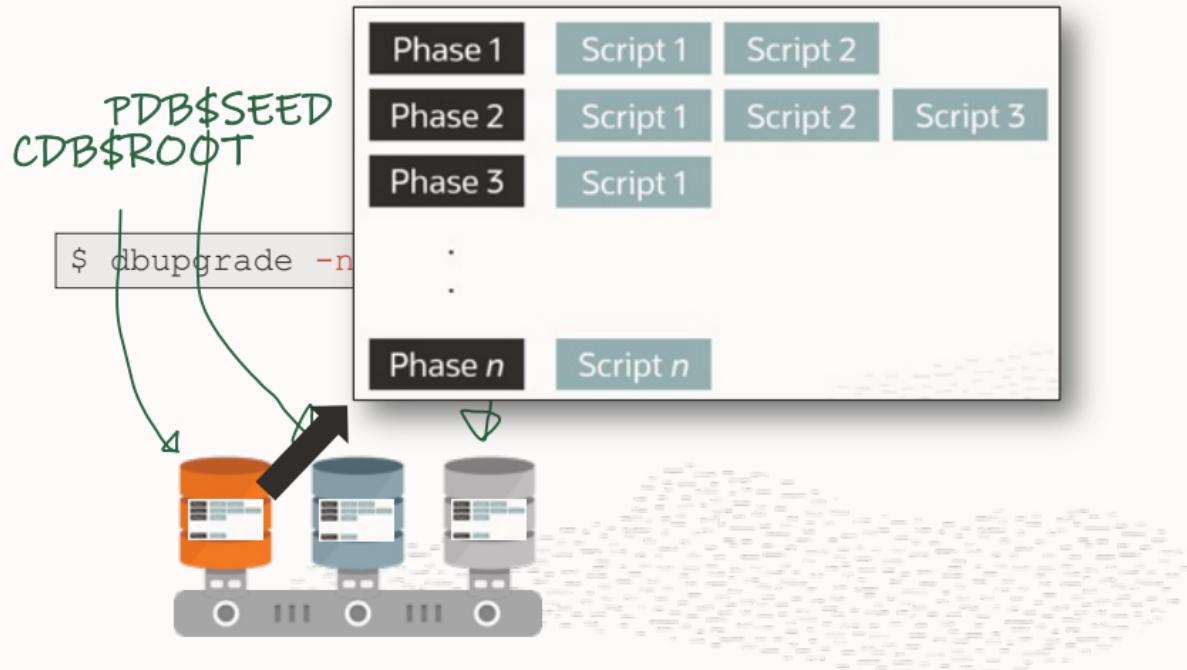
Parallel Upgrade | Container Database



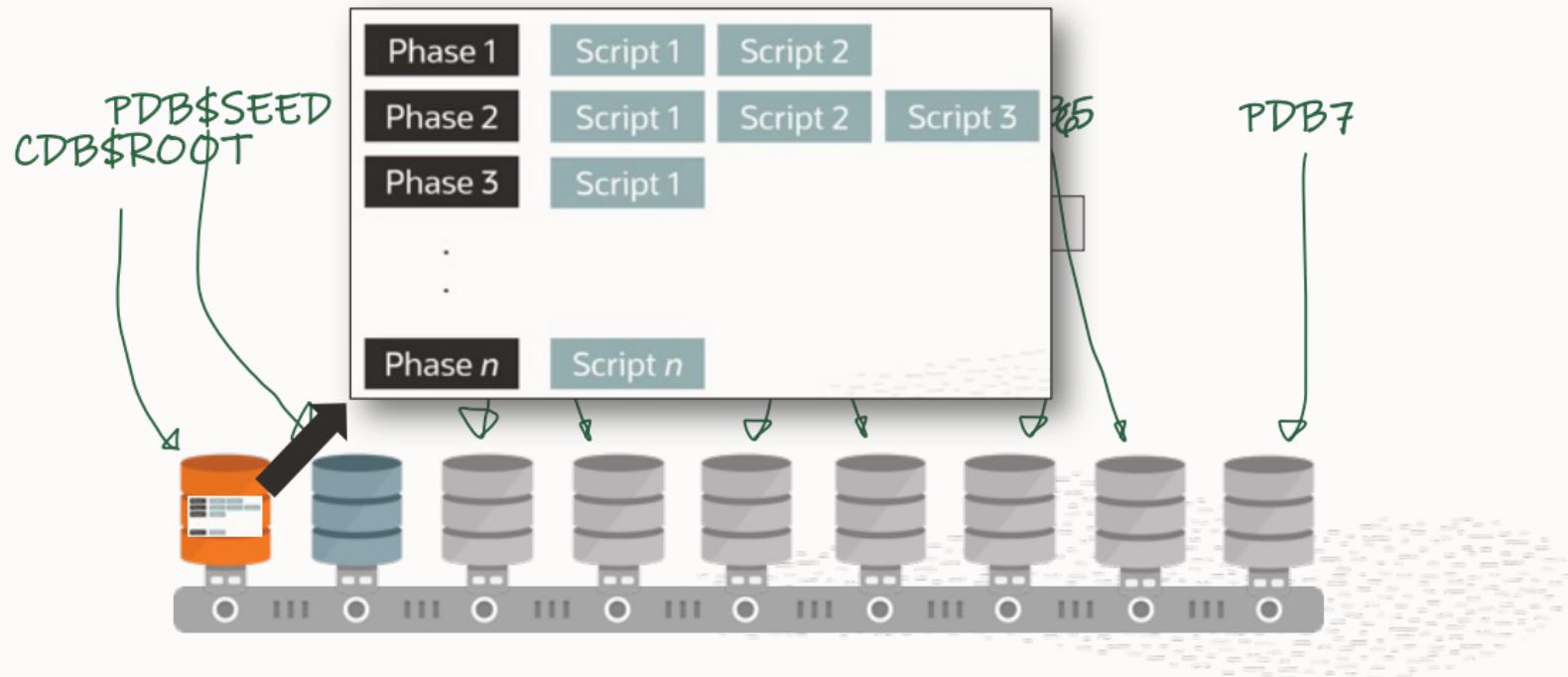
But - there is another **limit**

$$\frac{\text{Total number of processors (n)}}{\text{Processor per PDB (N)}} = \text{PDBs upgraded simultaneously}$$

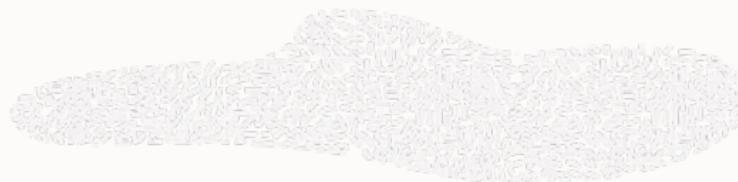
Parallel Upgrade | Single Tenant



Parallel Upgrade | Multitenant



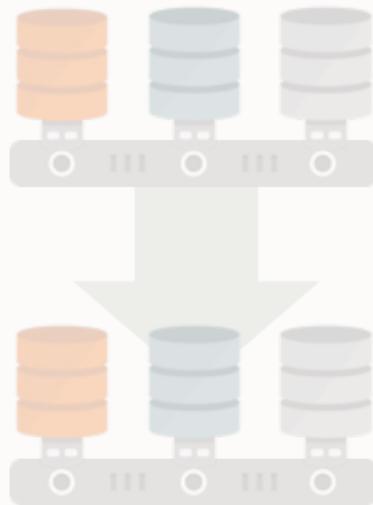
Parallel Upgrade | Multitenant



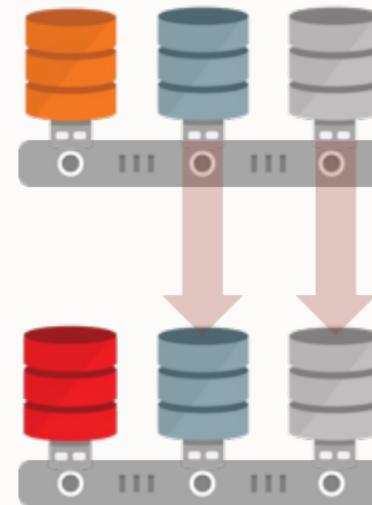
Scale by upgrading
more PDBs simultaneously

CDB Upgrades | Option 2

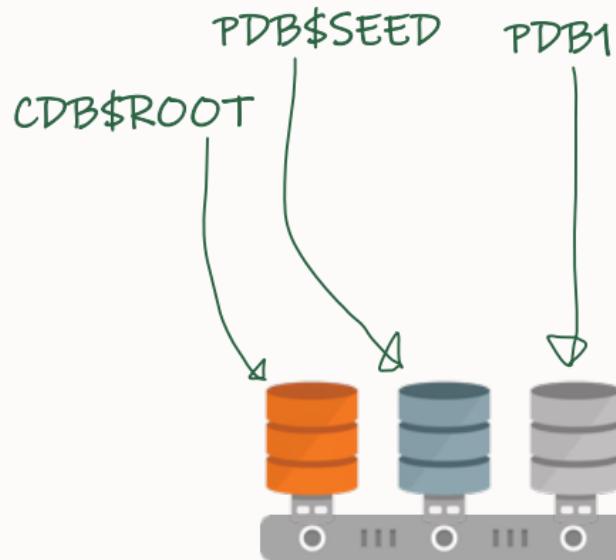
Everything at Once



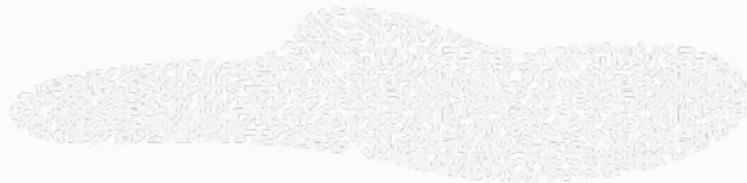
Unplug / Plug / Upgrade



Parallel Upgrade | Unplug-plug Upgrade



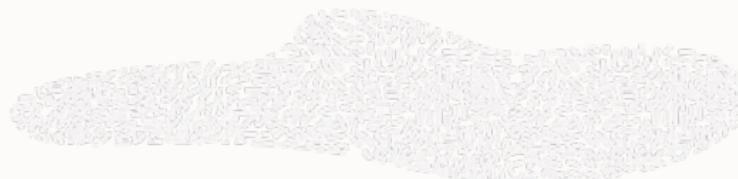
Parallel Upgrade | **Unplug-plug**



Unplug-plug always **faster** than

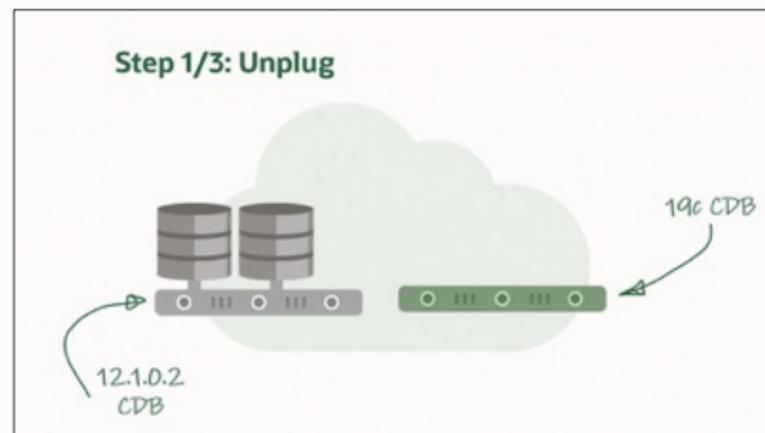
Non-CDB
Single Tenant
Multitenant

AutoUpgrade | Unplug-plug Upgrade



Upgrade a single PDB

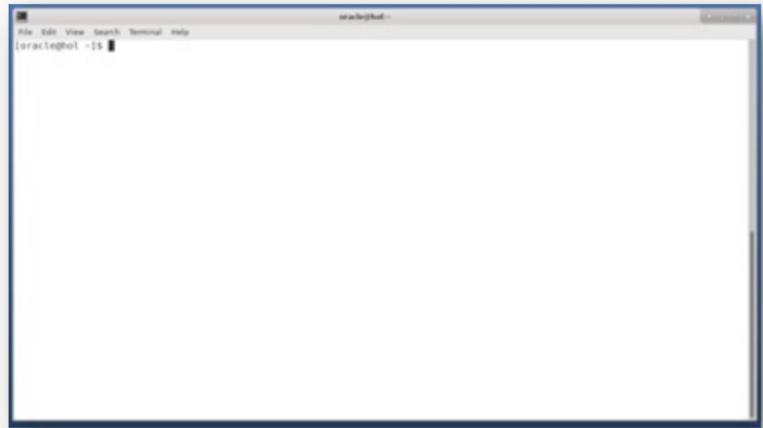
- Faster
- More flexible
- Requires compatible target CDB
- Not compatible with Flashback Database
 - Consider using Refreshable PDBs
 - Copy data files (`target_pdb_copy_option`)



AutoUpgrade | Unplug-plug Upgrade



```
upgl.sid=CDB12102
upgl.target_cdb=CDB19
upgl.pdb$=pdb1
upgl.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/12102
upgl.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19
```



[Watch on YouTube](#)

AutoUpgrade | Unplug-plug Upgrade

Upgrade several PDBs

```
upg1.pdb$=pdb1,pdb2,pdb3
```

Rename a PDB

```
upg1.pdb$=pdb1
upg1.target_pdb_name.pdb1=sales
```

Copy data files on plug-in

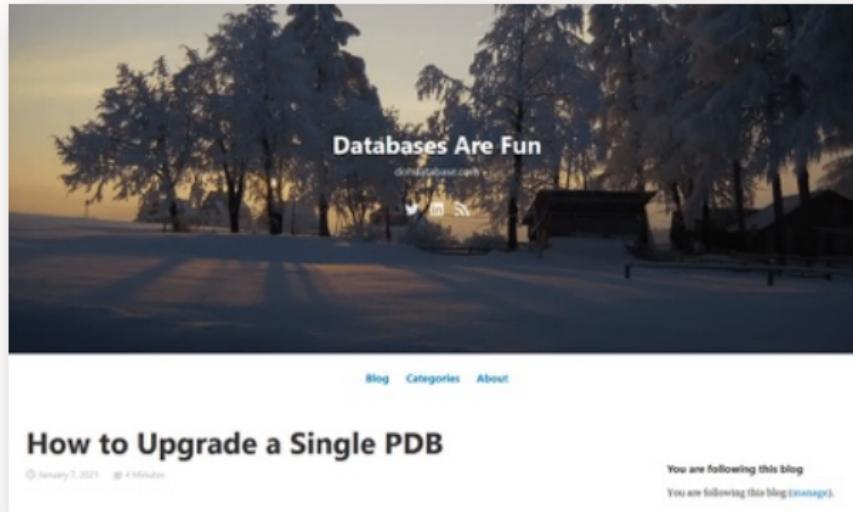
```
upg1.pdb$=pdb1
upg1.target_pdb_copy_option.pdb1=file_name_convert('pdb1','sales')
```

AutoUpgrade | Unplug-plug Upgrade

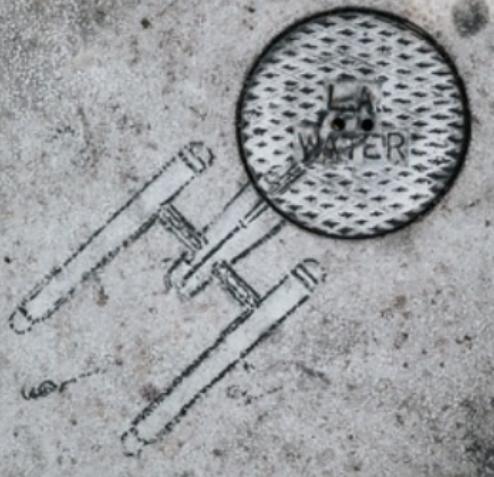
Current limitations:

- Does not support Data Guard
- Does not support TDE Tablespace Encryption

AutoUpgrade | Unplug-plug Upgrade



<https://dohdatabase.com/how-to-upgrade-a-single-pdb>



WATER

Photo by Nathan Dumlao on Unsplash

I Need More Power

I can't hold her together, Captain!

Faster Upgrades | Statement

During upgrade **CPU** is a vital resource



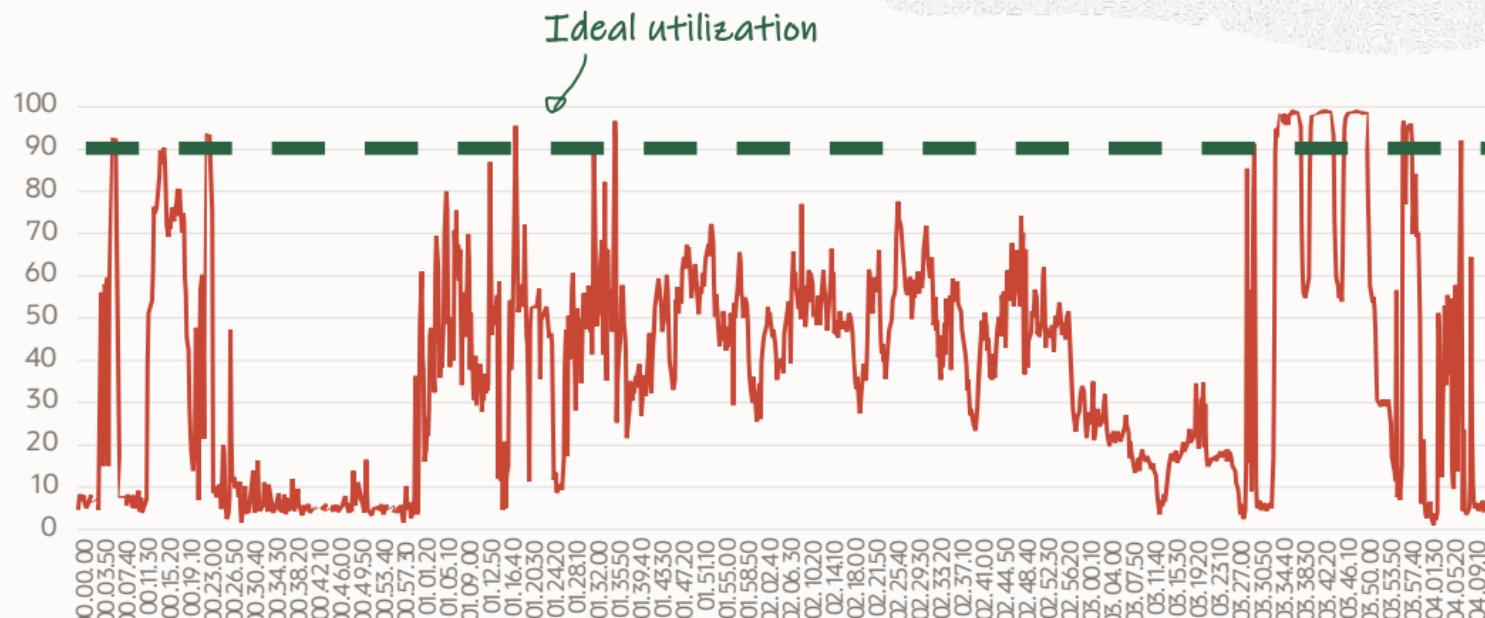
Faster Upgrades | Overview

- OCI Bare Metal host
 - 16 OPCUs
 - 768 GB memory
 - NVMe disks
- CDB with 52 PDBs
 - CPU_COUNT = 32
 - SGA_TARGET = 80G
 - PGA_AGGREGATE_TARGET = 20G
- Many database components (17 in total)

- **Upgrade from 12.1.0.2 to 19**

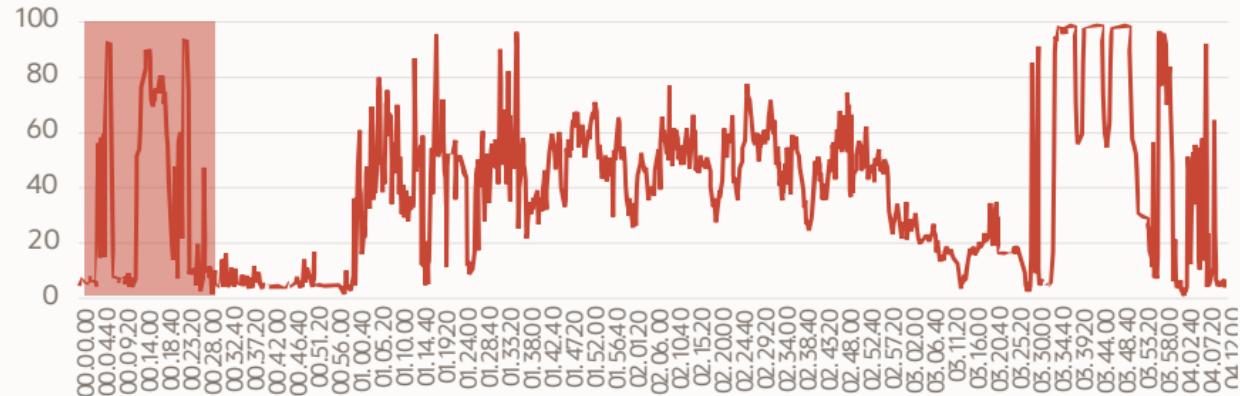


Faster Upgrades | CPU Utilization



Total upgrade time: 4 hours 8 minutes

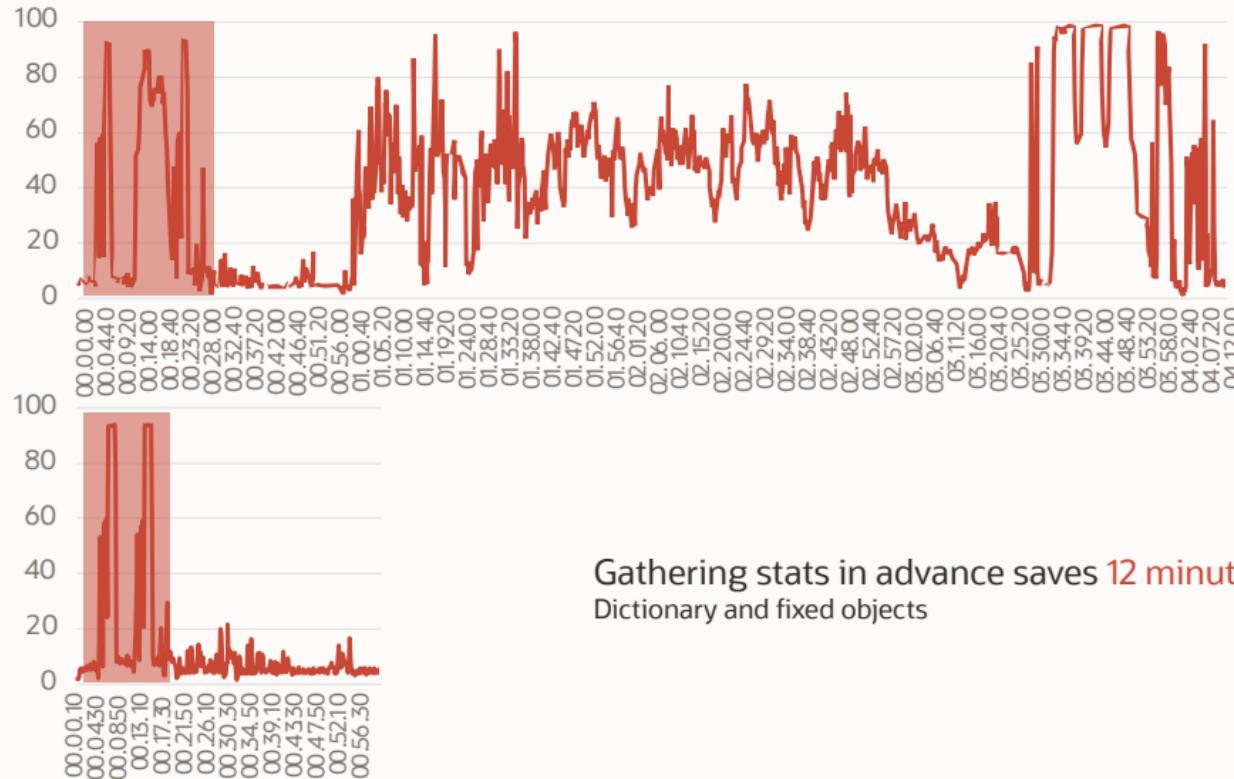
Faster Upgrades | CPU Utilization



Preupgrade check and fixups

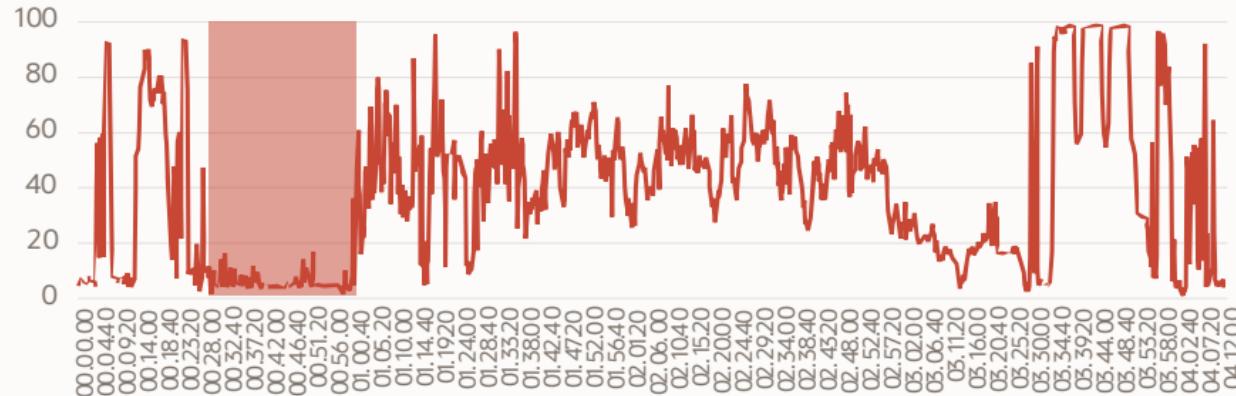
- Gather dictionary and fixed objects stats in advance (7 days)

Faster Upgrades | CPU Utilization



Gathering stats in advance saves **12 minutes**
Dictionary and fixed objects

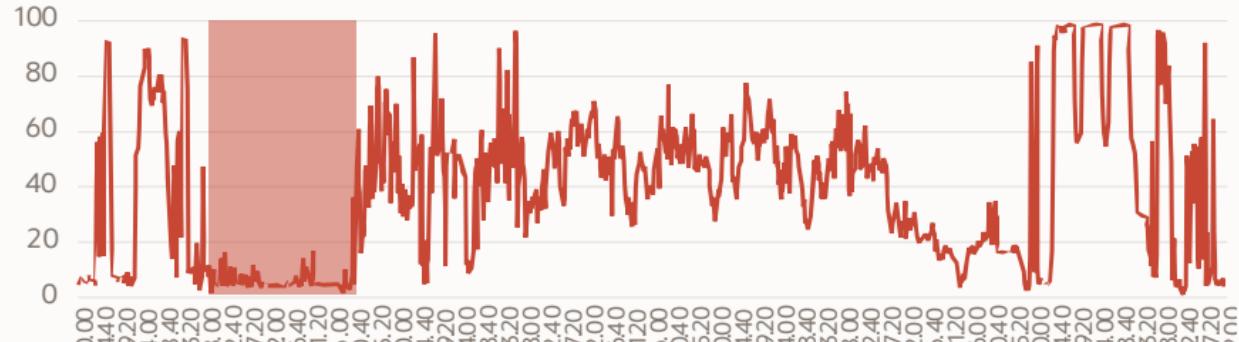
Faster Upgrades | CPU Utilization



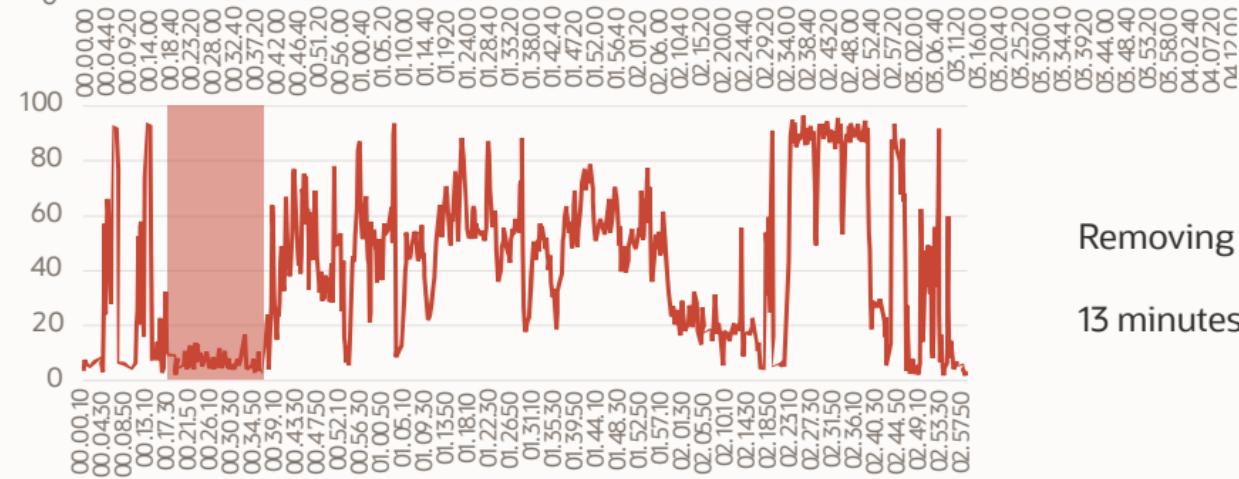
Upgrade CDB\$ROOT

- Remove components
- AutoUpgrade automatically assigns 8 parallel processes to CDB\$ROOT upgrade

Faster Upgrades | CPU Utilization



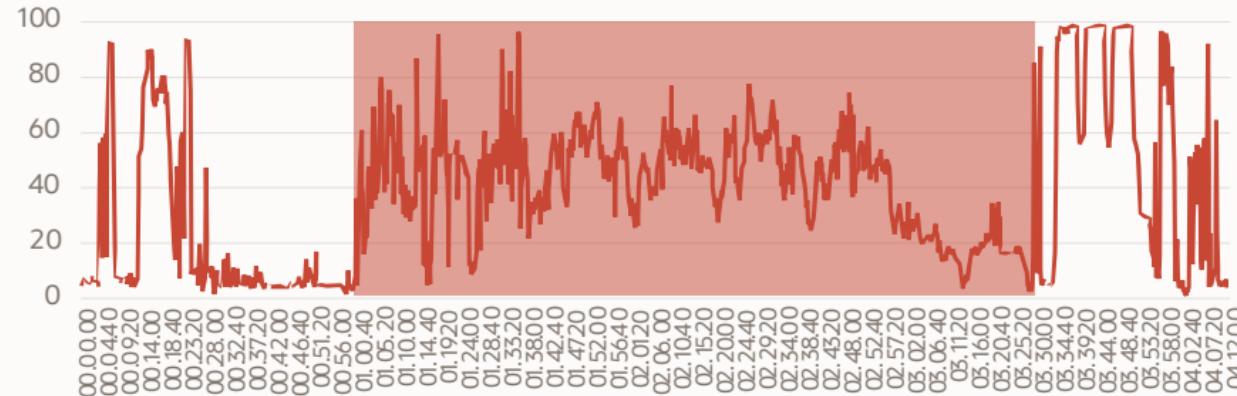
All components installed



Removing all components

13 minutes faster

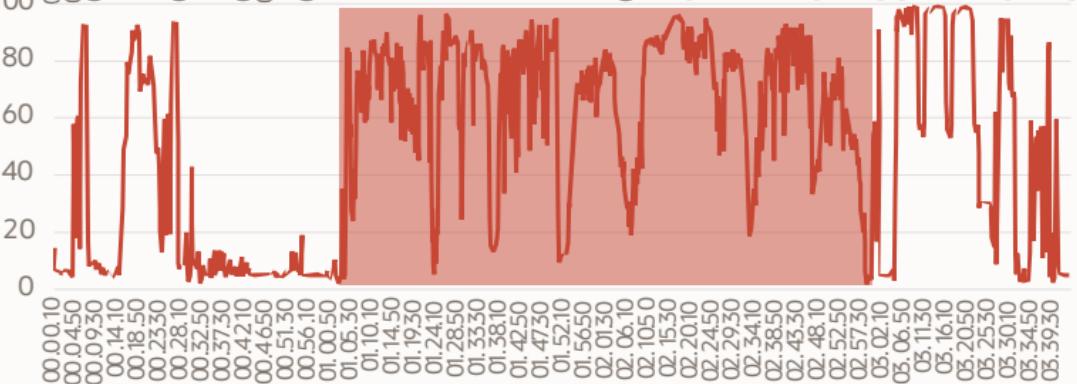
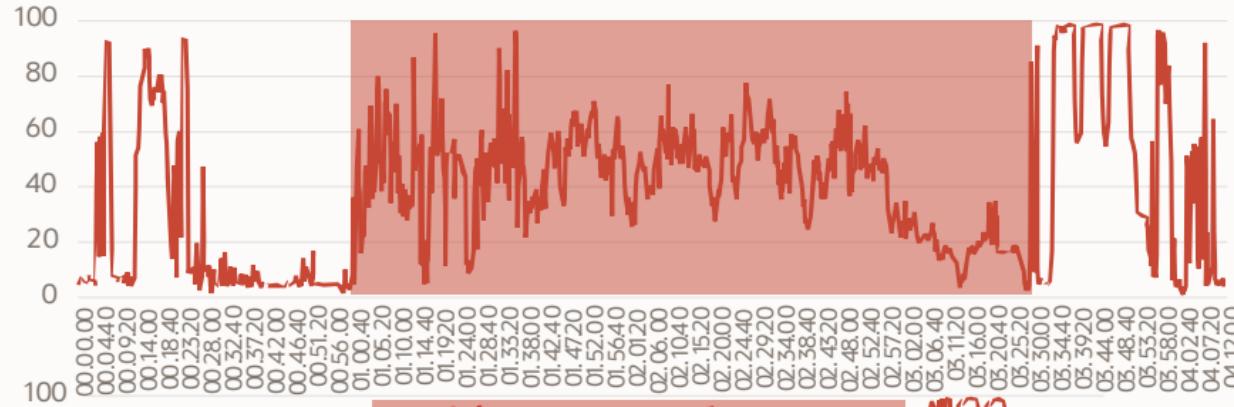
Faster Upgrades | CPU Utilization



Upgrade PDB\$SEED and user PDBs

- Add more PDBs (`catctl -n`)
- Keep parallel processes per PDB at default (2)
- Remove components from PDBs

Faster Upgrades | CPU Utilization

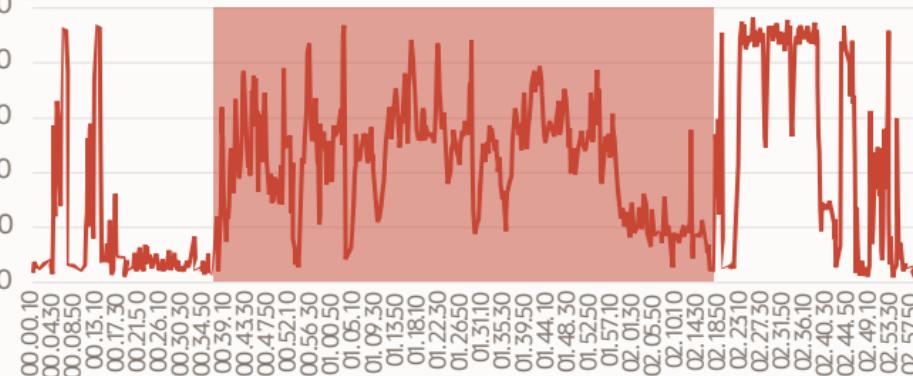


Pro tip: Remember to increase PROCESSES dramatically

Faster Upgrades | CPU Utilization



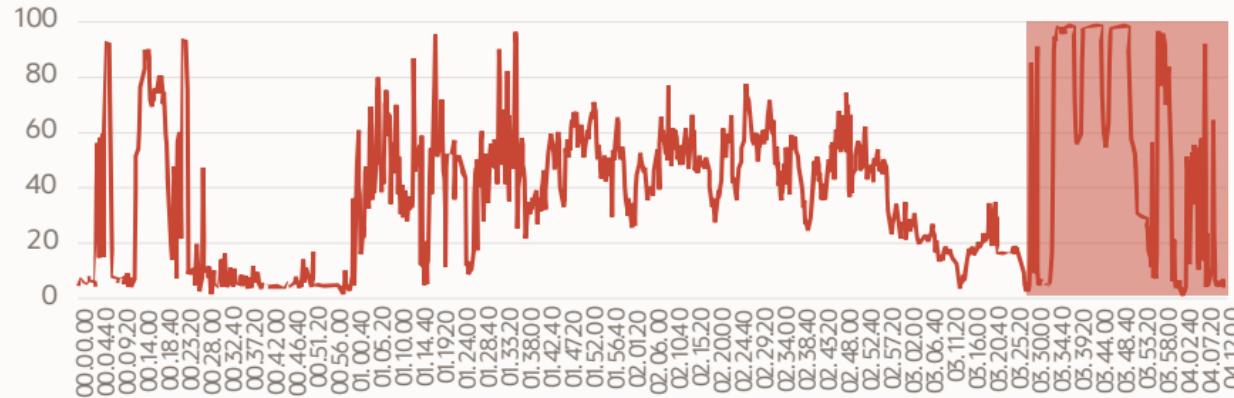
All components installed



Removing all components

48 minutes faster

Faster Upgrades | CPU Utilization



Post upgrade checks and fixups

- Recompilation (`ut1rp`) already highly parallelized
- Postpone timezone file upgrade

Faster Upgrades | Conclusion



- Gather stats in advance
- Allow more PDBs per cycle
- Remove components

Morgen, +8 STD.

Tokio

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Heute, +4:30

Neu-Delhi

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Heute, +0 STD.

München

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Boston

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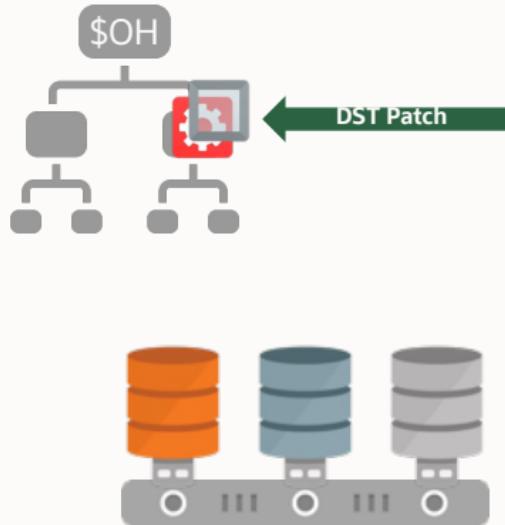
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San Francisco

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Multitenant and Time Zone Patching

Time Zone | Multitenant DST Version and Patching

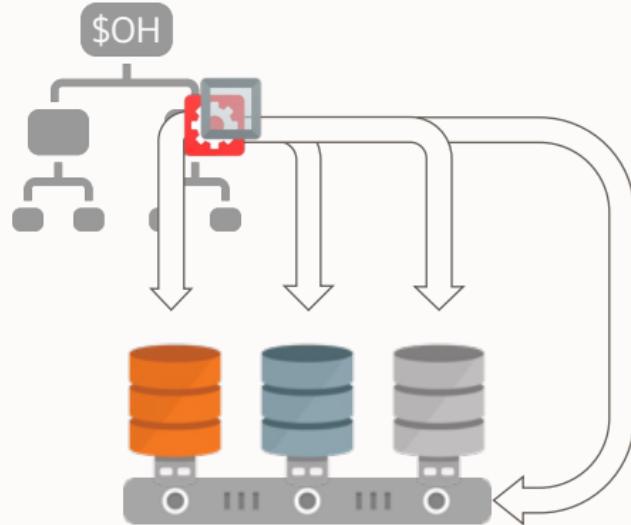


- New 19c CDB gets created with DST V32

Database Release	Default TZ Version
12.1.0.1, 12.1.0.2	DST V18
12.2.0.1	DST V26
18c	DST V31
19c	DST V32
21c	DST V35

- Patching \$ORACLE_HOME
 - Containers need to be "TZ upgraded"
 - PDBs and CDB\$ROOT can stay on different TZ values

Time Zone | Multitenant Time Zone Upgrade



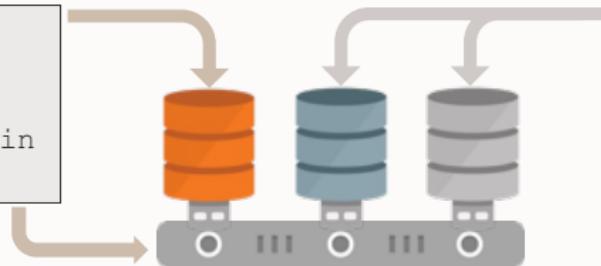
- Upgrading by default will adjust time zone
 - AutoUpgrade default:
upgl.timezone_upg=yes
 - 2 restarts will happen
 - Time zone upgrade happens for all containers
- Manual time zone upgrade is still possible
 - ?/rdbms/admin/**utltz_countstar.sql**
 - ?/rdbms/admin/**utltz_upg_check.sql**
 - ?/rdbms/admin/**utltz_upg_apply.sql**

Time Zone | Updating Time Zone - Check

Download DST patch with: [MOS Note:412160.1](#)

Check script:

```
perl catcon.pl -n 1 -s
-1 /home/oracle
-b tz_check_ROOT_SEED
-d $ORACLE_HOME/rdbms/admin
utltz_upg_check.sql
```



```
perl catcon.pl -n 1 -s
-1 /home/oracle
-b tz_check_PDBs
-d $ORACLE_HOME/rdbms/admin
utltz_upg_check.sql
```

Time Zone | Updating Time Zone - Apply

This will restart the database twice, first in UPGRADE mode, then in normal mode

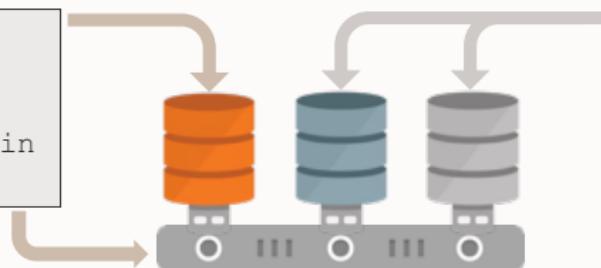
- Exclusive locks may happen

Apply script:

```
SQL> alter pluggable database all open;
```

```
perl catcon.pl -n 1 -s
-1 /home/oracle
-b tz_apply_ROOT_SEED
-d $ORACLE_HOME/rdbms/admin
utltz_upg_apply.sql
```

```
perl catcon.pl -n 1 -s
-1 /home/oracle
-b tz_apply_PDBs
-d $ORACLE_HOME/rdbms/admin
utltz_upg_apply.sql
```



Time Zone | Summary



How to patch all PDBs with the a new time zone file?

Posted on December 18, 2018 by Mike.Dietrich [Patch Recommendation](#) [Single Multitenant](#) [Time Zone - 507](#)

Yesterday I wrote about how to adjust the time zone setting in the `sqlplus` as by default the time zone scripts won't touch the `sqlplus` when you execute them. And in addition, MOS Note:1509653.1 tells you, that the `sqlplus` can't be adjusted. But this leads to a weird mix of time zone settings across a Multitenant deployment. Which I'd guess is not desired. Following a tweet reply by Marco Mischke I realized, I explained how to patch the PDB\$SEED – but I didn't explain **how to patch all PDBs with the a new time zone file?**



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[How to patch all your PDBs with a new time zone patch?](#)

A photograph of a modern office building with large windows and a red "die Mobiliar" sign. To the right, a taller building with a red "La Mobilière" sign is visible. In the foreground, several red, abstract architectural structures stand on the sidewalk. In the background, a traditional Swiss building with a red roof and a clock tower is visible under a cloudy sky.

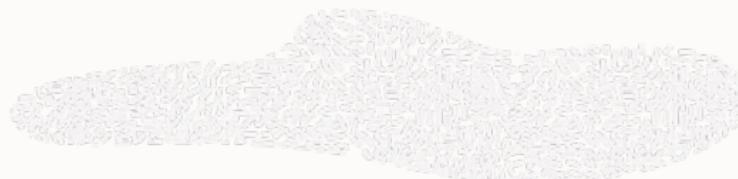
Getting ready for the future

Upgrade / Migrate and
Consolidate to Multitenant
at La Mobilière, Switzerland

Customer Case | La Mobilière

Customer	Swiss Mobiliar
Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Switzerland's most personal insurer
Constraints	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Founded 1826 in Bern, oldest Swiss insurance
Preparation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Legal form:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cooperative association (mutual company)
Upgrade	
Success?	
Remarks	

Customer Case | La Mobilière



Customer

Project

Constraints

Preparation

Upgrade

Success?

Remarks

550 Empl. | 520 FTE



160 Sites

connected by IT-Network throughout
Switzerland incl. VoIP



6000 Clients



2800 Mobile devices



Budget 2019

about 150 Mio. CHF

Systems

- LINUX
- Windows
- IBM

Programming languages

- Java
- Microsoft.NET
- COBOL
- Smalltalk

Databases

- Oracle
- MS SQL
- DB2/IMS
- Open Source

Standard Software

- SAP
- Siebel
- .msg
- COR.life

Customer Case | La Mobilière

Customer	Upgrade 337 databases
Project 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Oracle Database 12.1.0.2 to Oracle Database 12.2.0.1
Constraints	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 82 production databases
Preparation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 8 container databases<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 350 PDBs• Max of 50 PDB's in one CDB in dev
Upgrade	Move from schema-based consolidation to PDBs
Success?	PDB-only architecture with Oracle 12.2
Remarks	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Except 3rd party app restrictions

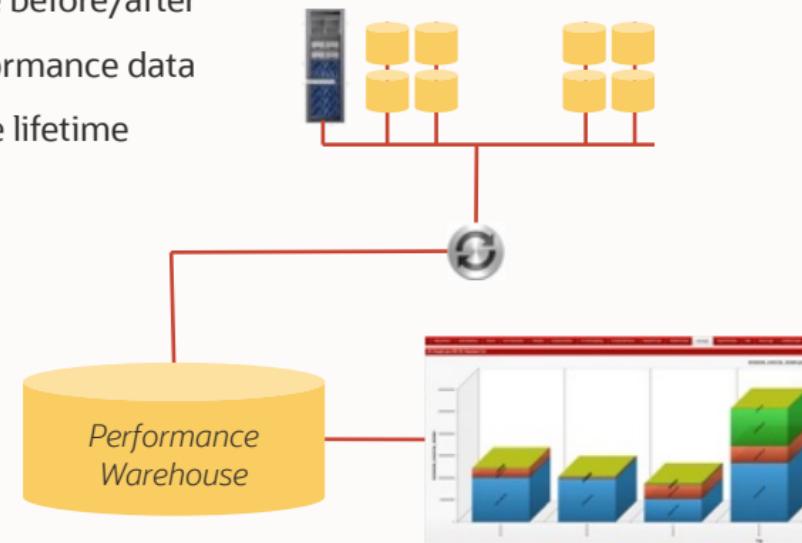
Customer Case | La Mobilière

Customer	
Project 2017	Motivation
Constraints	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Developers want Oracle 12.2 features
Preparation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Cost savings with Multitenant
Upgrade	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Reduce admin costs by automation
Success?	
Remarks	

Customer Case | La Mobilière

Customer	Regression tests
Project 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Done during the testing phase of the Mobiliar Software Release
Constraints	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Database RELEASE UPDATE (RU): 12.2.0.1.170718
Preparation	Dual Oracle Home strategy
Upgrade	Upgrade to Oracle Database 12.2
Success?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• With catctl.pl embedded into home-built shell script
Remarks	Performance tests performed by application owner

Customer Case | La Mobilière

Customer	Performance tracking with Mobiliar's own AWR Warehouse
Project 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Compare performance before/after
Constraints	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 7 TB of historical performance data
Preparation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Covers entire database lifetime
Upgrade	
Success?	
Remarks	

Customer Case | La Mobilière



Customer	Upgrade Steps (parallel degree: -n 32)	Duration
Project 2017	PRE TASKS (online)	13 min
	Execution of preupgrade.jar	5 min
	Execution of pre upgrade fixup scripts	8 min
Constraints		
Preparation		
Upgrade	Upgrade TASKS (offline)	3h 29 min
	Create guarantee restore point and change oracle home to 12.2	5 min
	All in one Upgrade of CDB\$ROOT and all PDB's	2h 46 min
	Recompile of CDB\$ROOT and all PDB's after upgrade to 12.2	32 min
	Enable local undo mode for container database	6 min
Success?	POST TASKS (online)	11 min
	Immediate create level 0 backup of container database	10 min
Remarks		
	Drop guarantee restore point after successful upgrade	1 min
	Total Upgrade Time	3h 53 min

Customer Case | La Mobilière

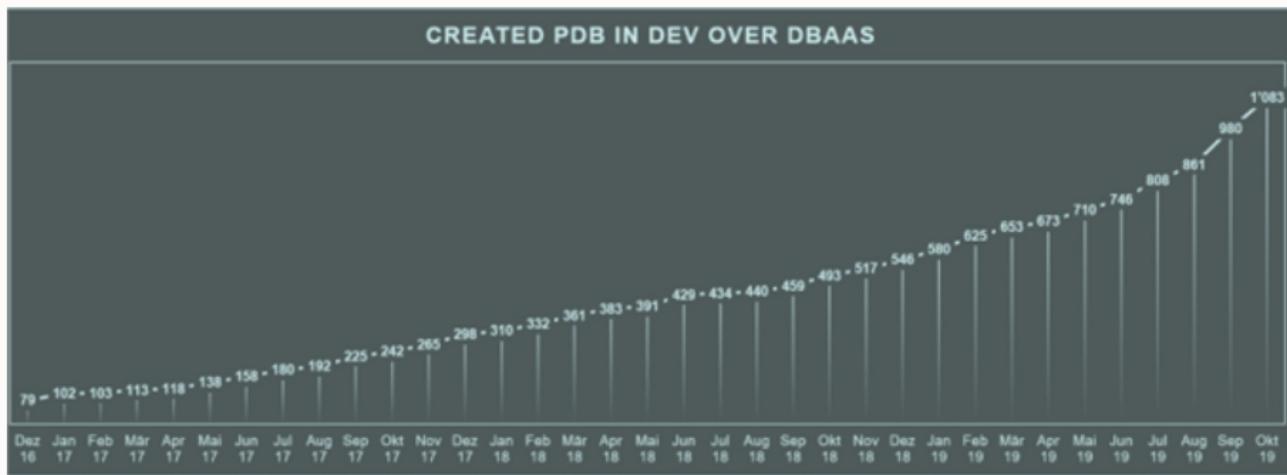
Customer	Parallel upgrade catctl.pl unfolds its full power when upgrading many PDBs at the same time
Project 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 50 PDBs upgraded in less than 4 hours
Constraints	<p>When we encounter issues, we fix them before going live</p>
Preparation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Follow their projects on: https://mobilier.ch/db-blog 
Upgrade	
Success?	100% Multitenant Consolidation reached in Oct 1, 2019
Remarks	

Customer Case | La Mobilière

Customer
Project 2017
Constraints
Preparation
Upgrade
Success?
Remarks

High increase in number of PDBs, often driven by Microservices

- Self-developed DBaaS interface to provision, alter and drop PDBs
- Used to create >1000 PDBs





Migrating to the Future

Exadata Migration
at La Mobilière, Switzerland

Customer Case | La Mobilière

Customer	Move many PDBs to a new Exadata
Project 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2 Exadata X8• 3 DB Nodes each
Constraints	
Preparation	
Migration	
Success?	
Remarks	

Customer Case | La Mobilière

Customer	Downtime <24 hours
Project	2019
Constraints	
Preparation	
Migration	
Success?	
Remarks	

Customer Case | La Mobilière

Customer	Move to Exadata
Project 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Complete script automation• Including error handling
Constraints	
Preparation	
Migration	Pre-Actions <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lock the app user on source PDB• Deactivate the app service on the PDB• Create DB Link for remote clone• Remove PDB from Cloud Control
Success?	
Remarks	Post actions <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Perform datapatch - newer RU• Perform backup of each PDB• Unlock the app user on target PDB• Create the new app service• Update Cloud Control with new PDB• Delete Clone DB Link

Customer Case | La Mobilière

Customer	Automated script
Project 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Kick off: Friday, 22:00h
Constraints	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 8 parallel script loops
Preparation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Monitored first clone loop - looked good!
Migration	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Went to sleep ...
Success?	
Remarks	

Customer Case | La Mobilière

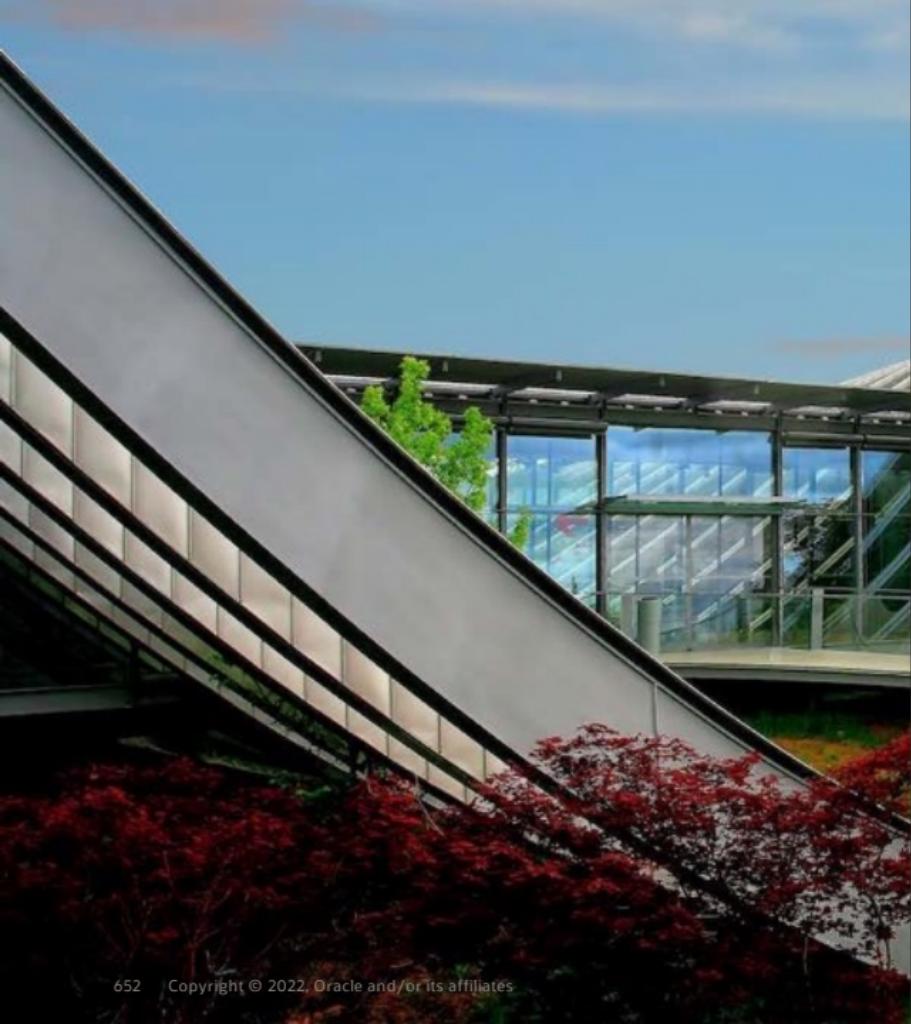
Customer	352 PDBs
Project 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 346 moved to the new CDBs fully automatically without errors
Constraints	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 8 PDB's aborted with errors
Preparation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Got identified quickly and moved manually
Migration	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Loop scripts needed between 3 - 6 hours to move the 150 PDBs• Including pre and post tasks
Success?	
Remarks	

Customer Case | La Mobilière

Customer
Project 2019
Constraints
Preparation
Migration
Success?
Remarks

Read the full story at:

- <https://mobiliardbblog.wordpress.com/2019/12/16/consolidating-350-pdbs-in-less-than-6-hours/>



Upgrade NOW!

Upgrade to Oracle 19c
at La Mobilière, Switzerland



Customer Case | La Mobilière

Customer	Upgrade 2000 PDBs
Project 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Oracle Database 12.2.0.1 to 19c
Constraints	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Up to 50 PDBs per CDB in PROD
Preparation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Up to 150 PDBs per CDB in Dev/Test
Upgrade	
Success?	
Remarks	

Customer Case | La Mobilière

Customer	CPU resources limited
Project 2020	
Constraints	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Solution: Sequential upgrades• One DBA covers 1-2 CDB upgrades• Once done, next DBA steps in
Preparation	
Upgrade	
Success?	
Remarks	

Customer Case | La Mobilière

Customer	Adopt AutoUpgrade
Project 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Download newest version from MOS: 2485457.1
Constraints	
Preparation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Phase 1: 735 PDBs on a single weekend<ul style="list-style-type: none">CDB1 144 PDBsCDB2 148 PDBsCDB3 148 PDBsCDB4 147 PDBsCDB5 148 PDBs
Upgrade	
Success?	
Remarks	

Customer Case | La Mobilière

Customer	Upgrade timings *											
Project 2020	Dispatcher finished for CDB1		Dispatcher finished for CDB2		Dispatcher finished for CDB3		Dispatcher finished for CDB4					
Constraints	INFO	-----	Stages	INFO	-----	Stages	INFO	-----	Stages	INFO	-----	Stages
Preparation	SETUP		<1 min	SETUP		<1 min	SETUP		<1 min	SETUP		<1 min
Upgrade	PREUPGRADE		<1 min	PREUPGRADE		<1 min	PREUPGRADE		<1 min	PREUPGRADE		<1 min
Success?	PRECHECKS		4 min	PRECHECKS		4 min	PRECHECKS		5 min	PRECHECKS		5 min
Remarks	GRP		<1 min	GRP		<1 min	GRP		<1 min	GRP		<1 min
	PREFIXUPS		9 min	PREFIXUPS		9 min	PREFIXUPS		12 min	PREFIXUPS		14 min
Success?	DRAIN		2 min	DRAIN		2 min	DRAIN		2 min	DRAIN		2 min
Remarks	DBUPGRADE		279 min	DBUPGRADE		305 min	DBUPGRADE		286 min	DBUPGRADE		293 min
	POSTCHECKS		4 min	POSTCHECKS		7 min	POSTCHECKS		4 min	POSTCHECKS		4 min
	POSTFIXUPS		60 min	POSTFIXUPS		93 min	POSTFIXUPS		78 min	POSTFIXUPS		80 min
	POSTUPGRADE		19 min	POSTUPGRADE		21 min	POSTUPGRADE		20 min	POSTUPGRADE		21 min
Success?	Total		380 min	Total		444 min	Total		410 min	Total		422 min

* Logs of CDB5 are lost

Customer Case | La Mobilière

Customer	Upgrade timings
Project 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Average: 6 - 7.5 hours
Constraints	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Including recompilation
Preparation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Only 10 oCPUs used per CDB
Upgrade	
Success?	
Remarks	

Customer Case | La Mobilière

Customer
Project 2020
Constraints
Preparation
Upgrade
Success?

Remarks

Post-fixups issue

- Solution: Use the newest OPatch

Processes parameter

- Upgrade in PDBs spawns a lot of processes
- Solution: Increase it for the upgrade

Recompile PDBs before upgrade

```
• ORACLE_HOME/perl/bin/perl $ORACLE_HOME/rdbms/admin/catcon.pl -n 32 -e -d $ORACLE_HOME/rdbms/admin -l /tmp -b utlrp_log utlrp.sql
```

Read the full story here:

- <https://mobiliardbblog.wordpress.com/2020/05/05/what-does-it-take-to-migrate-735-databases-to-19c-in-a-weekend-the-multitenant-architecture-and-great-dbas/>



"We upgraded 735 databases to 19c, and the task was mostly relatively relaxed.

Start the AutoUpgrade tool and monitor the progress from time to time.

Sitting in front of the screen the whole time is not necessary."

Alain Fuhrer
Head IT Database Services
La Mobilière
Bern, Switzerland



A photograph of a sunset over a calm ocean. In the upper left, a flock of birds is flying in a V-formation against the bright sky. The sky is a gradient of orange, yellow, and blue. The horizon line is visible in the distance.

Chapter 6

Migration Strategies

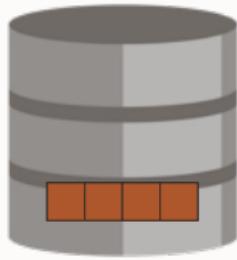
Migration Strategies

Overview



What do we call a **migration**?

Migration | Move data from A to B



Which one is the best technique?

Migration | Techniques



Techniques include:

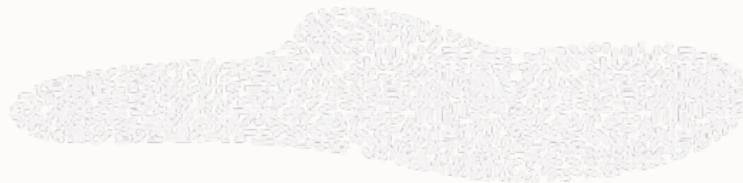
- Data Pump
- Transportable Tablespaces
- Full Transportable Export/Import
- Data Guard
- Incremental Backups
- Oracle GoldenGate

We will give you detailed insights!



For important databases, execute
database health checks before upgrade

Health Checks



Health check script

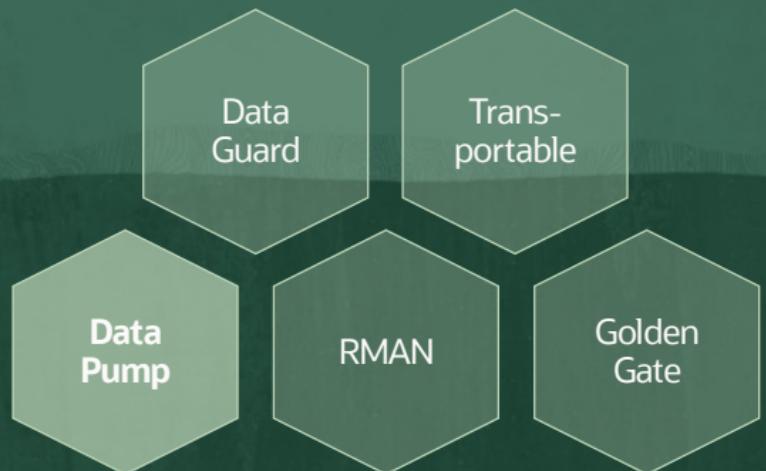
- Download from [MOS Note: 136697.1](#)
- In Multitenant, it must be run in each PDB separately



ORAchk Upgrade Readiness Assessment

- Part of Autonomous Health Framework (AHF)
- Download from [MOS Note: 1457357.1](#)
- Upgrade Readiness Check – [MOS Note: 2550798.1](#)

Different
Migration
techniques

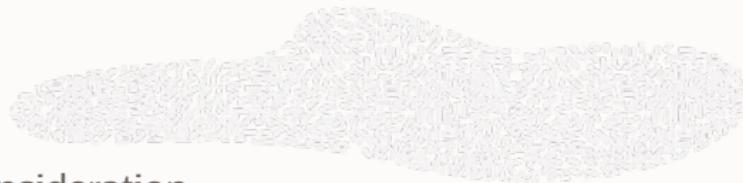




Migration Strategies

Data Pump

Data Pump



Advantages

- Ease of use
- Universal
- Change structures, character set, and much more
- Platform independent
- Architecture independent
- Works across versions
- Backwards compatible

Consideration

- Duration for large amounts of data and complex structures

Documentation

- [Oracle Database 19c Utilities Guide](#)

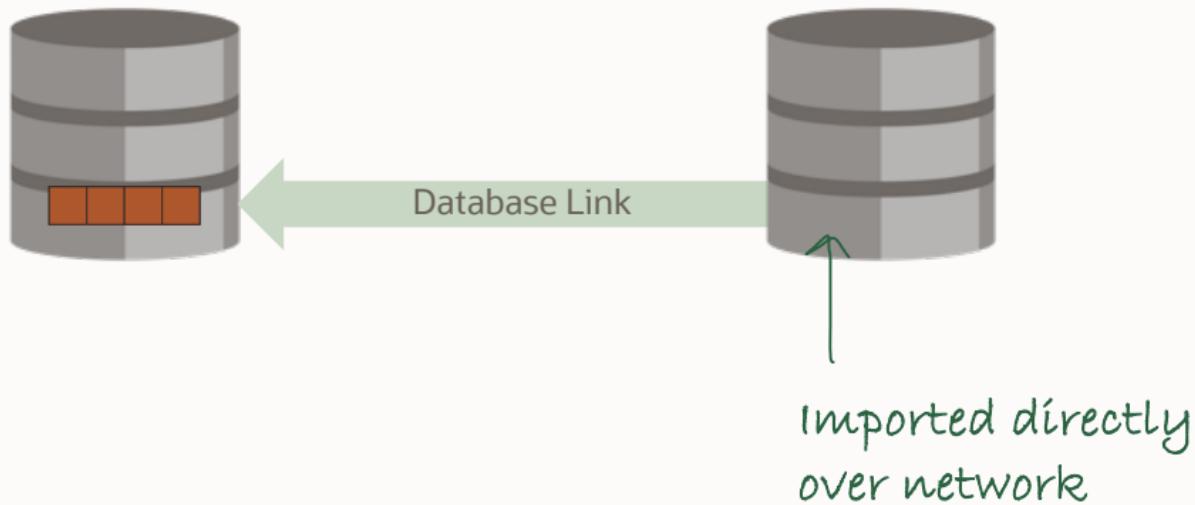
Data Pump

Basics

Data Pump | Dump File



Data Pump | Network Mode





DUMP FILE

Requires access to file system

Requires disk space for dump files

Full functionality

NETWORK

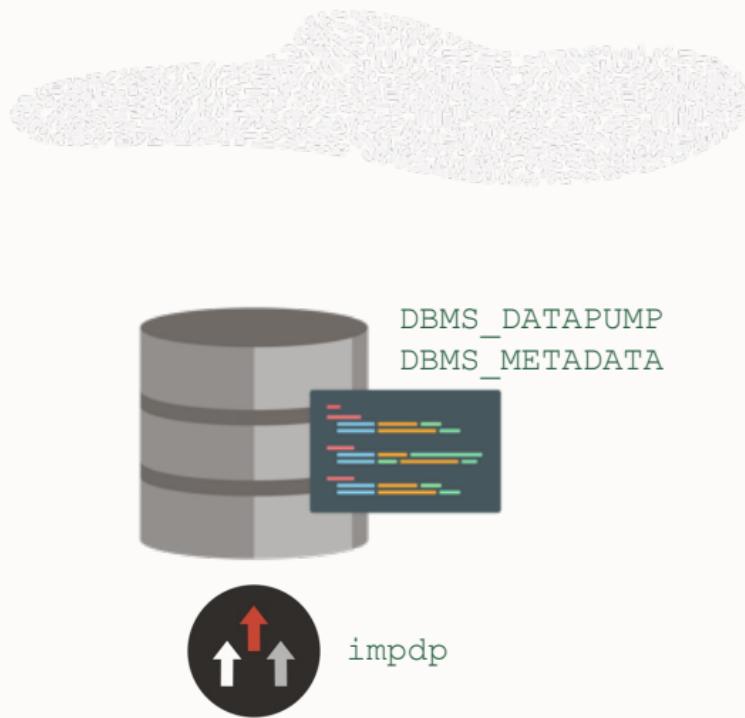
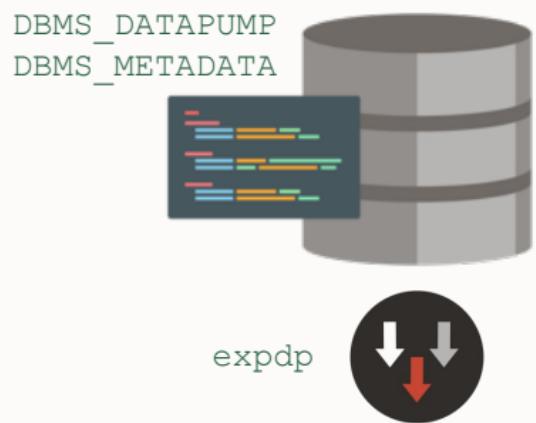
SQL*Net connectivity

No extra disk space needed

Limited functionality

Pro tip: Read more about how [Data Pump moves data](#)

Data Pump | Architecture



Data Pump | Prerequisites

Privilege

Directory

Streams Pool

Two predefined roles:

- DATAPUMP_EXP_FULL_DATABASE
- DATAPUMP_IMP_FULL_DATABASE

Don't use SYS AS SYSDBA



Caution: Do not start Export as SYSDBA, except at the request of Oracle technical support. SYSDBA is used internally and has specialized functions; its behavior is not the same as for general users.

[Database 19c, Utilities Guide](#)

Pro tip: These roles are powerful - use caution when granting them

Data Pump | Prerequisites

Privilege

Directory

Streams Pool

Needed to store dump files and log files

```
$ mkdir /home/oracle/dp
```

```
SQL> create directory DP_DIR as '/home/oracle/dp';
```

```
SQL> grant read, write on directory DP_DIR to SYSTEM;
```

Pro tip: Data Pump runs server side, thus, the directory must be accessible to the database server

Data Pump | Prerequisites

Privilege Directory **Streams Pool**

Ensure `STREAMS_POOL_SIZE` is at a reasonable value

```
SQL> alter system set streams_pool_size=128m scope=both;
```

Typically, in the range of 64M to 256M is adequate

Pro tip: Read about how other
[parameters affect Data Pump](#)

Data Pump

General Best Practices

Data Pump | Best Practices

Parameter file

- Consistency
- Dictionary Statistics
- Diagnostics
- Parallel
- Statistics
- LOBs
- Dump files
- Compression

Do not add parameters to command line

```
$ expdp system directory=dp_dir schemas=scott  
logfile=export_scott.log parallel=8 ...
```

Use a parameter file

```
$ more export.par  
directory=dp_dir  
schemas=scott  
logfile=export_scott.log  
parallel=8  
...  
  
$ expdp system parfile=export.par
```

Data Pump | Best Practices

Parameter file

Consistency

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Perform consistent exports

```
flashback_time=systimestamp
```

To a specific SCN

```
flashback_scn=<scn>
```

Requires UNDO

- Export at off hours
- Export from Data Guard
 - Convert temporarily to snapshot standby

Pro tip: In Data Pump Legacy mode
you can use `CONSISTENT=Y`

Data Pump | Best Practices

Parameter file

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Gather dictionary stats:

- Right before an export
- Immediately after an import

Gathering stats

```
SQL> BEGIN
      DBMS_STATS.GATHER_SCHEMA_STATS('SYS');
      DBMS_STATS.GATHER_SCHEMA_STATS('SYSTEM');
  END;
```

```
$ORACLE_HOME/perl/bin/perl $ORACLE_HOME/rdbms/admin/catcon.pl \
  -l /tmp \
  -b gatherstats -- \
  --x"begin dbms_stats.gather_schema_stats('SYS');
dbms_stats.gather_schema_stats('SYSTEM'); end;"
```

Data Pump | Best Practices

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Always include diagnostic information

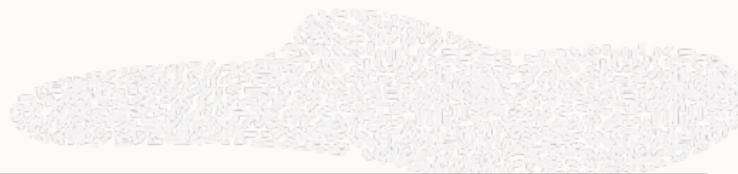
```
logtime=all  
metrics=yes
```

Adds

- Timestamps
- Internal timings
- Access method

Pro tip: Parameter LOGTIME was added in Oracle Database 12.1

Data Pump | Best Practices



No diagnostics

```
Processing object type SCHEMA_EXPORT/TABLE/TABLE
Processing object type SCHEMA_EXPORT/TABLE/TABLE_DATA
. . imported "METAL"."ALBUMS"                      988.8 KB  28069 rows
. . imported "METAL"."BANDS"                        3.444 MB   37723 rows
. . imported "METAL"."REVIEWS"                      66.47 MB  21510 rows
```

All diagnostics

```
16-OCT-20 17:26:57.158: Processing object type SCHEMA_EXPORT/TABLE/TABLE
16-OCT-20 17:26:58.262: Startup took 1 seconds
16-OCT-20 17:26:58.264: Startup took 1 seconds
16-OCT-20 17:26:59.082:      Completed 3 TABLE objects in 1 seconds
16-OCT-20 17:26:59.082:      Completed by worker 1 1 TABLE objects in 1 seconds
16-OCT-20 17:26:59.082:      Completed by worker 2 1 TABLE objects in 0 seconds
16-OCT-20 17:26:59.082:      Completed by worker 3 1 TABLE objects in 0 seconds
16-OCT-20 17:26:59.313: Processing object type SCHEMA_EXPORT/TABLE/TABLE_DATA
16-OCT-20 17:27:01.943: . . imported "METAL"."ALBUMS"      988.8 KB  28069 rows in 2 seconds using external_table
16-OCT-20 17:27:03.778: . . imported "METAL"."BANDS"      3.444 MB   37723 rows in 2 seconds using external_table
16-OCT-20 17:27:12.644: . . imported "METAL"."REVIEWS"    66.47 MB  21510 rows in 13 seconds using external_table
```

Data Pump | Best Practices

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Speed up

`parallel=n`

Typically, set *n* to *number of CPU cores x 2*

Parallel export/import of metadata

- introduced in Oracle Database 12.2

Except

- Transportable Tablespaces (added in 21c)
- Full Transportable Export/Import (also in 21c)
- Network mode

Pro tip: More details in [Parallel Capabilities of Oracle Data Pump \(Doc ID 365459.1\)](#)

Data Pump | Best Practices

Parallelism for import into 11.2.0.4 / 12.1.0.2

- Apply patch for bug [22273229](#) to enable parallel import of constraints/indexes

Data Pump | Best Practices

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Always exclude optimizer statistics

```
exclude=statistics
```

Transportable Tablespaces

```
exclude=table_statistics, index_statistics
```

Either

- Gather fresh statistics
- Transport statistics with DBMS_STATS

Data Pump | Best Practices

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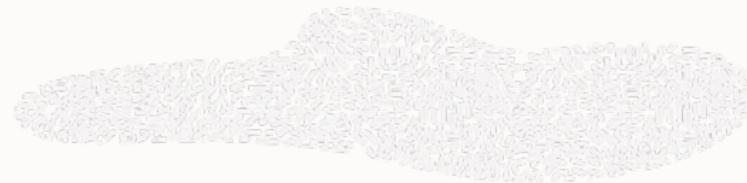
On import, always convert to SecureFile LOBs

```
transform=lob_storage:securefile
```

SecureFile LOBs

- Can import in parallel
- Are generally faster
- Offers advanced functionality
- Are a good fit for partitioning
- Are strongly recommended

Data Pump | Best Practices



Importing as BasicFiles

```
10-OCT-20 21:43:21.848: W-3 . . imported "SCHEMA"."TABLE"      31.83 GB  681025 rows in 804 seconds using direct_path
```

Importing as SecureFiles

```
15-OCT-20 18:16:48.663: W-13 . . imported "SCHEMA"."TABLES"      31.83 GB  681025 rows in 261 seconds using external_table
```

Data Pump | Best Practices

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Export to multiple files

```
dumpfile=dumpfile%U.dmp  
filesize=5g
```

For more than 99 files

```
dumpfile=dumpfile%I.dmp  
filesize=5g
```

Required if you use parallel export

Data Pump | Best Practices

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Use compression to speed up your export

```
compression=all  
compression_algorithm=medium
```

Requires **Advanced Compression Option**

Pro tip: `COMPRESSION=METADATA_ONLY` does not require Advanced Compression Option

Data Pump | Best Practices

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Compression

Compression algorithms

- BASIC : The same algorithm used in previous versions. Good compression, without severely impacting on performance
- LOW : For use when reduced CPU utilization is a priority over compression ratio
- MEDIUM: **Recommended option.** Similar characteristics to BASIC, but uses a different algorithm
- HIGH: Maximum available compression, but more CPU intensive

Data Pump | Best Practices

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Real-life examples - 12.2 EBS Database export

	FILE SIZE MB	RATIO	TIME
NONE	5.500	1,0	4m 54s
ALL BASIC	622	8,9	4m 58s
ALL LOW	702	7,8	5m 24s
ALL MEDIUM	567	9,7	4m 55s
ALL HIGH	417	13,2	5m 13s

	FILE SIZE MB	RATIO	TIME
NONE	5.800	1,0	2m 33s
ALL BASIC	705	8,2	3m 03s
ALL LOW	870	6,6	8m 11s
ALL MEDIUM	701	8,2	3m 01s
ALL HIGH	509	11,3	12m 16s

Data Pump | Best Practices

Customer evaluation

- BASIC
at 3.5 TB/hour

Disk-Group-I/O							
Name	Disks	AvgBusy	Read Write-KB/s	TotalMB/s	xfers/s	BlockSizeKB	
slot02	6	9.3%	123120.4 0.0	120.2	241.1	510.7	
slot03	6	6.7%	103354.8 0.0	100.9	202.2	511.1	
slot05	6	9.0%	130420.9 7.0	127.4	262.0	597.8	
slot06	6	10.5%	158841.9 175.3	155.3	329.3	510.1	
slot08	6	8.4%	130835.3 0.0	127.8	256.0	511.0	
slot09	6	10.1%	136525.9 0.0	133.3	267.0	511.3	
slot10	6	6.6%	140383.4 0.0	137.1	275.0	510.6	
slot11	6	6.8%	112600.0 2.0	110.0	220.7	510.3	
Groups= 8	TOTALS	48	1.4% 1036082.5 184.3	1012.0	2053.3		

- MEDIUM
at 7.0 TB/hour

Disk-Group-I/O							
Name	Disks	AvgBusy	Read Write-KB/s	TotalMB/s	xfers/s	BlockSizeKB	
slot02	6	14.5%	255770.4 0.0	249.8	500.9	510.7	
slot03	6	16.0%	273037.4 11.5	266.6	535.1	510.3	
slot05	6	15.4%	264851.1 17.5	258.7	519.0	510.3	
slot06	6	13.2%	222160.7 425.5	217.4	502.4	413.1	
slot08	6	15.0%	267156.6 1.5	260.9	523.3	510.5	
slot09	6	14.8%	263140.4 6.5	257.0	515.3	510.6	
slot10	6	14.6%	259603.7 2.5	253.5	508.5	510.5	
slot11	6	14.9%	258113.0 5.4	252.1	505.8	510.4	
Groups= 8	TOTALS	48	2.5% 2063833.5 470.4	2015.9	4110.285		

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Data Pump

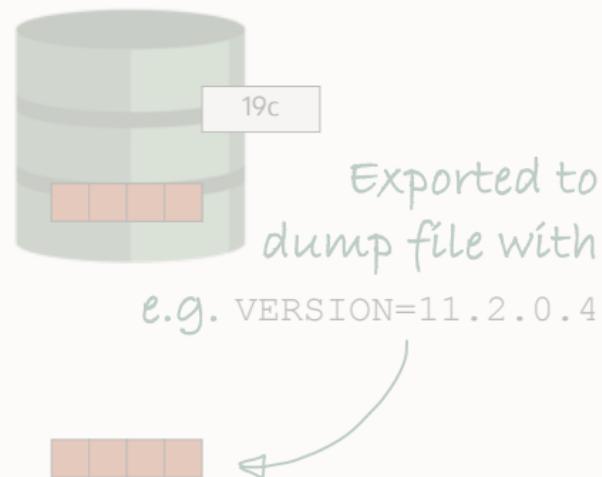
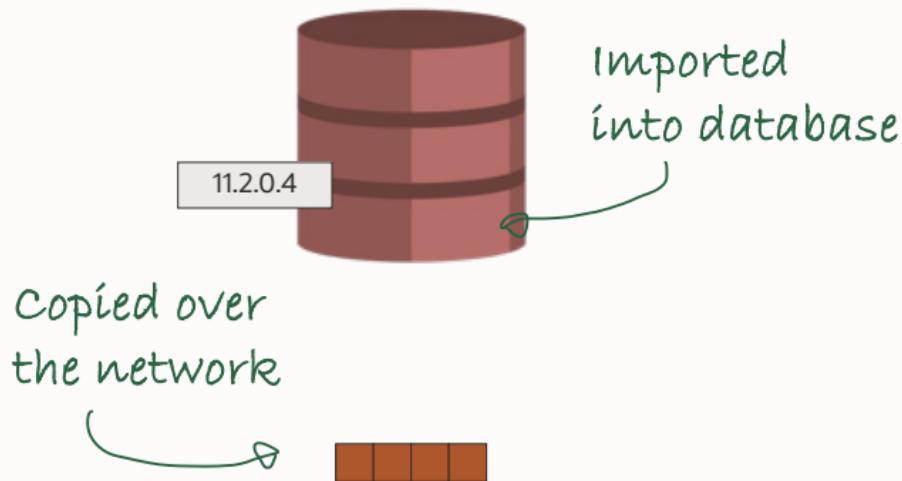
Use Cases

Data Pump | With Data Guard

Import into Data Guard environment - **works seamlessly**

1. Ensure `STANDBY_FILE_MANAGEMENT=AUTO`
 - Optionally, configure `DB_FILE_NAME_CONVERT` as well
2. Create new PDB from `PDB$SEED`
 - Propagates automatically to standby database
3. Import with Data Pump
 - Import happens implicitly on standby via redo apply
 - Tablespaces are automatically created

Data Pump | As Fallback



Data Pump | As Fallback

To create a dump file compatible with a lower release

```
version=11.2.0.4
```

Other options are

- COMPATIBLE
- LATEST

[Export/Import DataPump Parameter VERSION - Compatibility of Data Pump Between Different Oracle Versions \(Doc ID 553337.1\)](#)

Pro tip: Read more about [VERSION](#) in the documentation

Data Pump | Network Mode

Create database link and start impdp

```
SQL> create database link V11204 ... ;  
$ impdp ... network_link=V11204
```

expdp is invoked implicitly on remote database

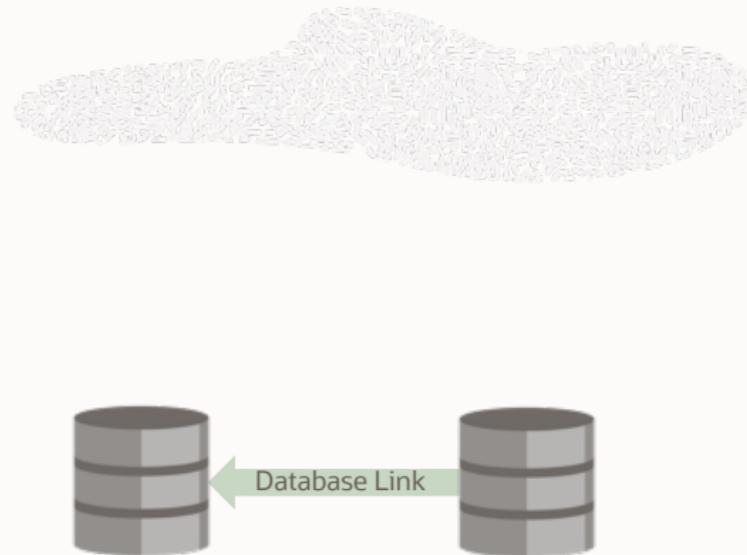
No dump file is created -
data is transmitted directly over database link



Data Pump | Network Mode

Limitations:

- No parallel metadata support (yet)
- No LONG and RAW data
 - Unless source database is 12.2 or newer
 - `ACCESS_METHOD=DIRECT_PATH`
- Data parallelism is restricted to multiple partitions or tables
 - There is no PQ parallelism within a large, unpartitioned table over a dblink
- Does not work for downgrades



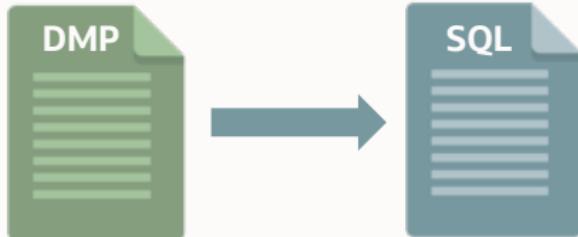
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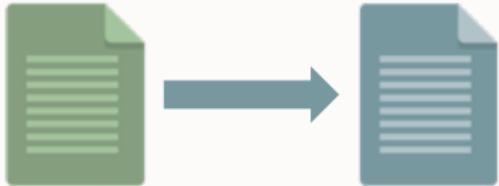
Data Pump | **Generate SQL Statements**

Generate SQLs that impdp will execute

```
$ more import.par
...
sqlfile=all_statements.sql
...
$ impdp system parfile=import.par
```



Data Pump | Generate SQL Statements



```
--CONNECT SYSTEM
-- new object type path: SCHEMA_EXPORT/USER
CREATE USER "TPCC" IDENTIFIED BY VALUES
'S:F9E9DD2D0A8D0AEA2ACB9000FD1EDE144005661F7A9AE2BD6951DE396931;BB4954843B02D85D'
  DEFAULT TABLESPACE "TPCCTAB"
  TEMPORARY TABLESPACE "TEMP";
-- new object type path: SCHEMA_EXPORT/SYSTEM_GRANT
GRANT UNLIMITED TABLESPACE TO "TPCC";
-- new object type path: SCHEMA_EXPORT/ROLE_GRANT
GRANT "CONNECT" TO "TPCC";
GRANT "RESOURCE" TO "TPCC";
-- new object type path: SCHEMA_EXPORT/TABLESPACE_QUOTA
DECLARE
  TEMP_COUNT NUMBER;
  SQLSTR VARCHAR2(200);
BEGIN
  SQLSTR := 'ALTER USER "TPCC" QUOTA UNLIMITED ON "TPCCTAB"';
  EXECUTE IMMEDIATE SQLSTR;
EXCEPTION
  WHEN OTHERS THEN
    IF SQLCODE = -30041 THEN
      SQLSTR := 'SELECT COUNT(*) FROM USER_TABLESPACES
                  WHERE TABLESPACE_NAME = ''TPCCTAB'' AND CONTENTS = ''TEMPORARY''';
      EXECUTE IMMEDIATE SQLSTR INTO TEMP_COUNT;
      IF TEMP_COUNT = 1 THEN RETURN;
      ELSE RAISE;
      END IF;
    ELSE
      RAISE;
    END IF;
  END;
/

```

Data Pump | Generate PL/SQL

Generate PL/SQL to use DBMS_DATAPUMP API

```
$ more import.par
...
parallel=8
...
$ impdp system parfile=import.par
```



```
BEGIN
  SYS.DBMS_DATAPUMP.SET_PARALLEL(
    handle => :JOBHNDL,
    degree => :DEGREE);
END;
/
```

Enables you to start Data Pump Export and Import directly from **PL/SQL**

Data Pump | Generate PL/SQL

1. Enable SQL trace on a test database

```
SQL> alter system set event='10046 trace name context forever, level 4';
```

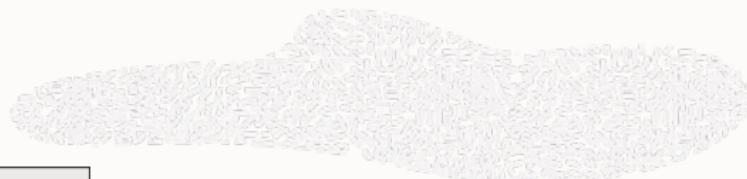
2. Execute your Data Pump command

```
$ impdp system ... parfile=import.par
```

3. Examine the trace file

```
$ vi ORCL_ora_12345.trc
```

Data Pump | Generate PL/SQL



```
DECLARE
  JOBHNDL NUMBER;
BEGIN
  JOBHNDL := SYS.DBMS_DATAPUMP.OPEN(
    operation => 'EXPORT',
    job_mode => 'SCHEMA',
    remote_link => NULL,
    job_name => NULL,
    version => NULL,
    ena_sec_roles => 0);
  SYS.DBMS_DATAPUMP.ADD_FILE(
    handle => JOBHNDL,
    filename => 'demo_exp.log',
    directory => 'DMPDIR',
    filesize => NULL,
    filetype => 3,
    reusefile => NULL);
  SYS.DBMS_DATAPUMP.SET_PARALLEL(
    handle => JOBHNDL,
    degree => 8);
  ...
  ...
  ...
```

Data Pump | Existing Objects

Using `TABLE_EXISTS_ACTION` set to APPEND or TRUNCATE is slow

Use case: Importing schema with thousands of partitions

Problem: It takes a lot of time to create all those objects

Solution: Create partitions in advance and use `TABLE_EXISTS_ACTION=APPEND`

Problem: That's slow

Solution: Tell Data Pump to trust the objects are fine

```
DATA_OPTION = TRUST_EXISTING_TABLE_PARTITIONS
```

Data Pump | Multitenant

Use case: Avoid *noisy-neighbour* syndrome caused by Data Pump

Problem: Too many Data Pump jobs are started in a PDB, depleting the resources of the CDB

Solution: Restrict number of concurrent Data Pump jobs in a PDB

```
SQL> alter system set max_datapump_jobs_per_pdb=2 container=all;
```

Default: 100

Set to AUTO: 50 % of SESSIONS

Pro tip: Too many Data Pump jobs result in ORA-39391

Data Pump | Multitenant

Use case: Avoid *noisy-neighbour* syndrome caused by Data Pump

Problem: Too many parallel workers are used in a Data Pump job, depleting the resources of the CDB

Solution: Restrict the parallel degree in a Data Pump job

NEW IN
19c

```
SQL> alter system set max_datapump_parallel_per_job=2 container=all;
```

Default: 50

Set to AUTO: 50 % of SESSIONS

Data Pump | Performance

Blog Posts:

[Why Does It Take so Long to Import Check Constraints?](#)

Data Pump | Further Information

Technical Briefs:

[Data Pump Best Practices for Export and Import](#)

MOS Notes

[Master Note for Data Pump \(Doc ID 1264715.1\)](#)

[For Compatibility and version changes \(Doc ID 553337.1\)](#)

[19c Data Pump New Features \(Doc ID 2457955.1\)](#)

The Second Exadata in Europe



Payback GmbH Germany
HP to Exadata Migration Project 2009



Customer Case | Payback

Customer	Payback GmbH
Project 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Belongs to American ExpressHQ in Munich, GermanyDevelops and operates professional customer loyalty programs based on customized IT solutions
Constraints	
Preparation	
Migration	
Success?	
Remarks	 

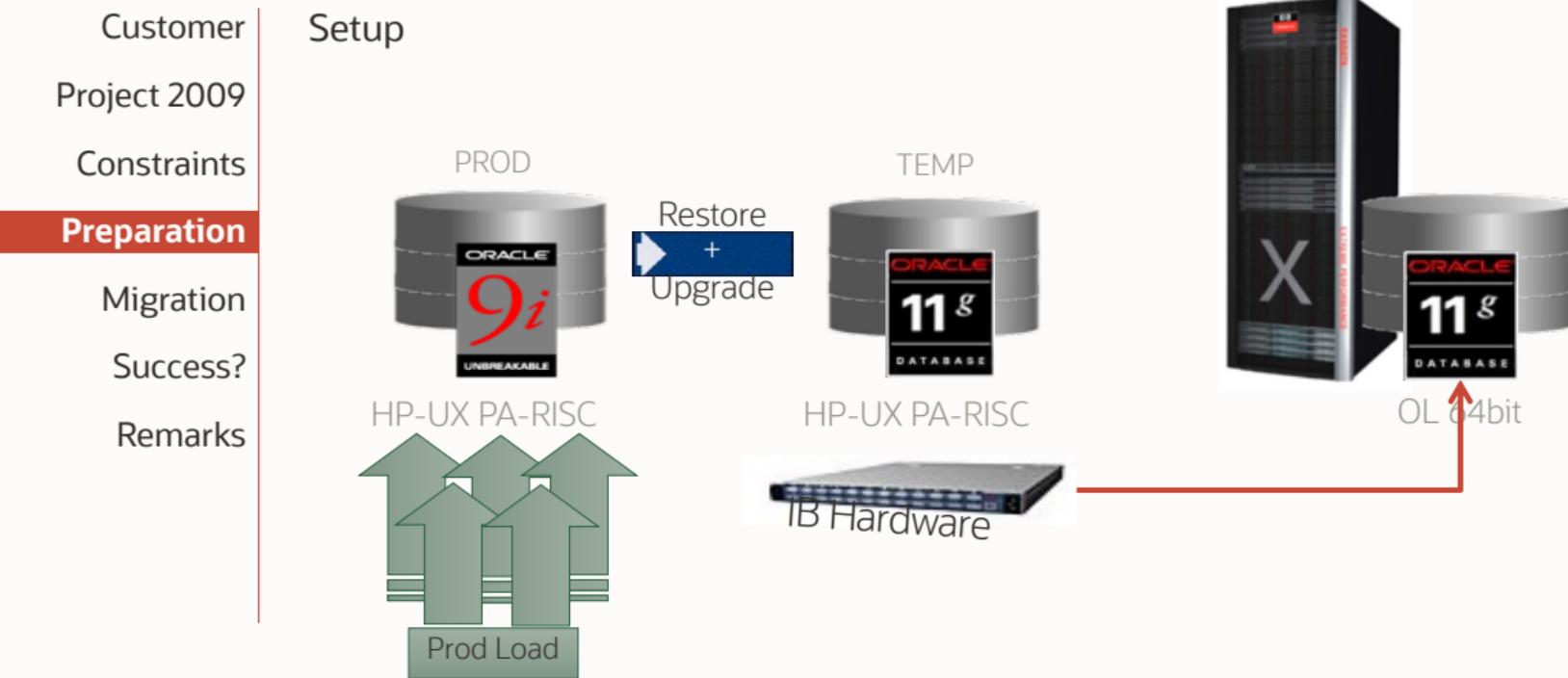
Customer Case | Payback

Customer	Migrate 7TB / 1.5TB from HP-UX to Exadata V1
Project 2009	
Constraints	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cross platform, cross Endianness, cross version<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Oracle 9.2.0.7 on HP-UX ⇒ Oracle 11.1.0.7 on OL
Preparation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 4 months planning and migration phase<ul style="list-style-type: none">• August to November 2009
Migration	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Proposed go-live date<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 15-NOV-2009
Success?	
Remarks	 A diagram illustrating the migration process. On the left, a server rack with multiple drives is shown. A large orange arrow points from this rack to a server on the right, which is labeled 'Exadata V1' with a large 'X' on its front panel. This visualizes the transition from the old HP-UX environment to the new Exadata V1 system.

Customer Case | Payback

Customer	Move everything in less than 24 hrs
Project 2009	Network bottleneck
Constraints	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Remedy: Install extra InfiniBand hardware into HP box ⇒ ~ 3GB/sec throughput!
Preparation	
Migration	
Success?	
Remarks	

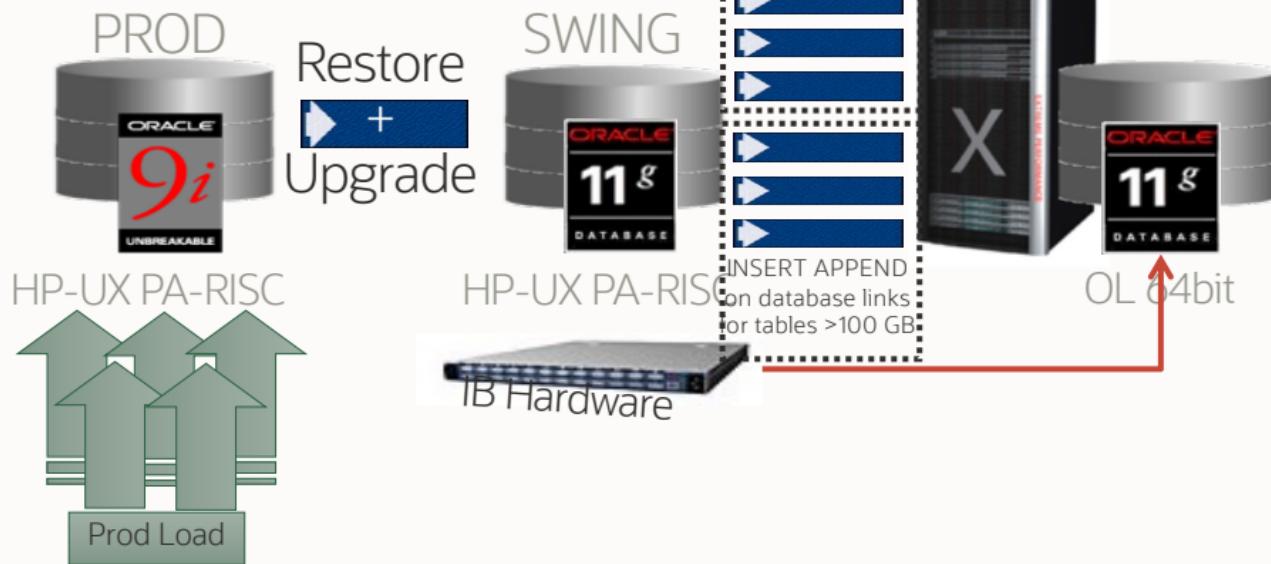
Customer Case | Payback



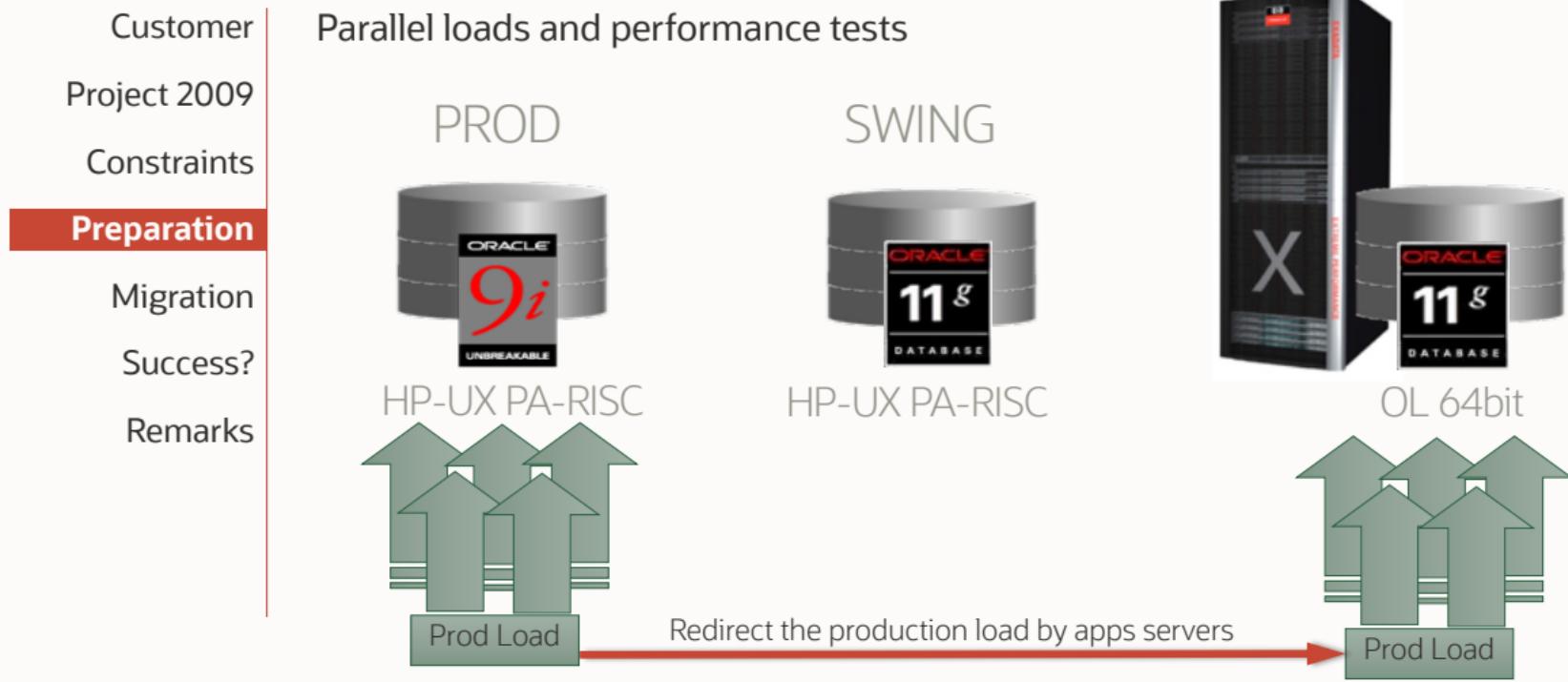
Customer Case | Payback

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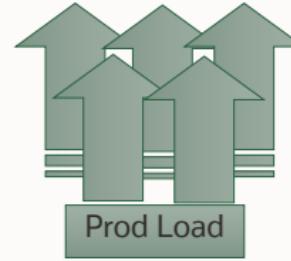
Test migration



Customer Case | Payback



Customer Case | Payback

Customer	Last test came live migration	
Project	2009	
Constraints		
Preparation		
Migration	 HP-UX PA-RISC	
Success?		
Remarks		

Customer Case | Payback

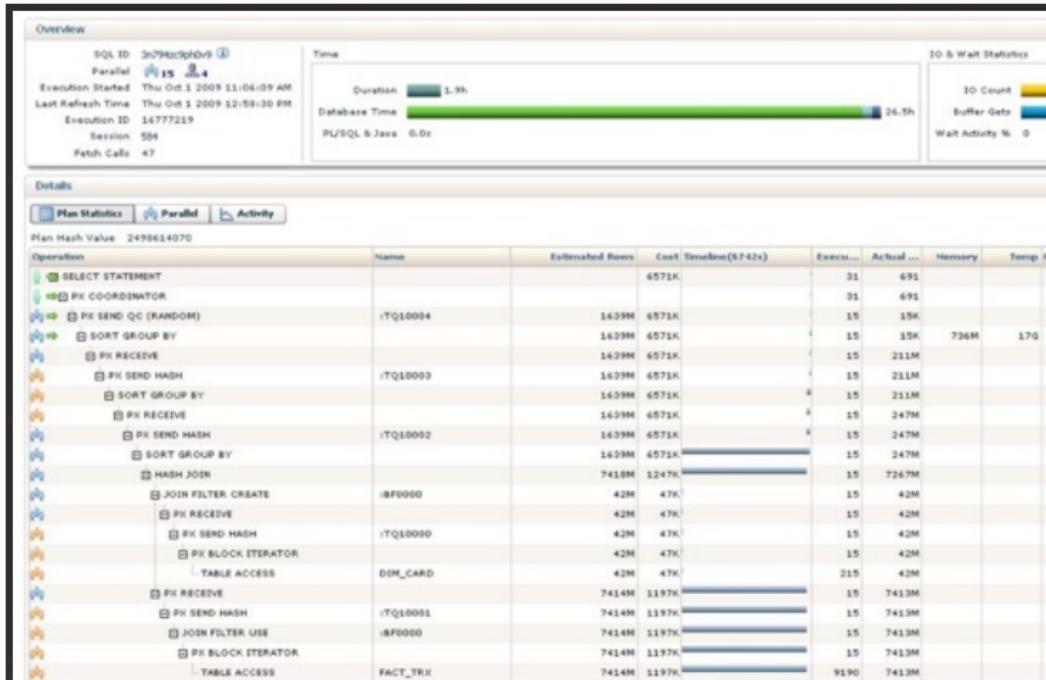
Customer	Live? And alive?
Project 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Yes! Go-live in early November 2009<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Two weeks earlier than proposed
Constraints	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Total upgrade and migration time: ~20 hours
Preparation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• ~ 8 hours: Restore and recovery• ~ 1 hour: Database upgrade to Oracle 11.1.0.7
Migration	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• ~10 hours: Data migration to Exadata V1• ~ 1 hour: Smoke testing and final verification
Success?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dramatic performance improvements<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Job runtimes decreased by 80%• User complaints about too fast performance ... really!!
Remarks	

Customer Case | Payback

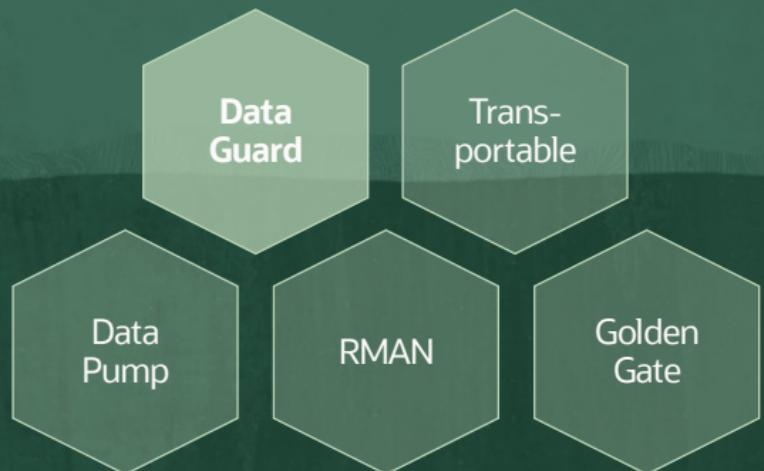
Customer
Project 2009
Constraints
Preparation
Migration
Success?
Remarks

Not a single piece of SQL got changed!!!

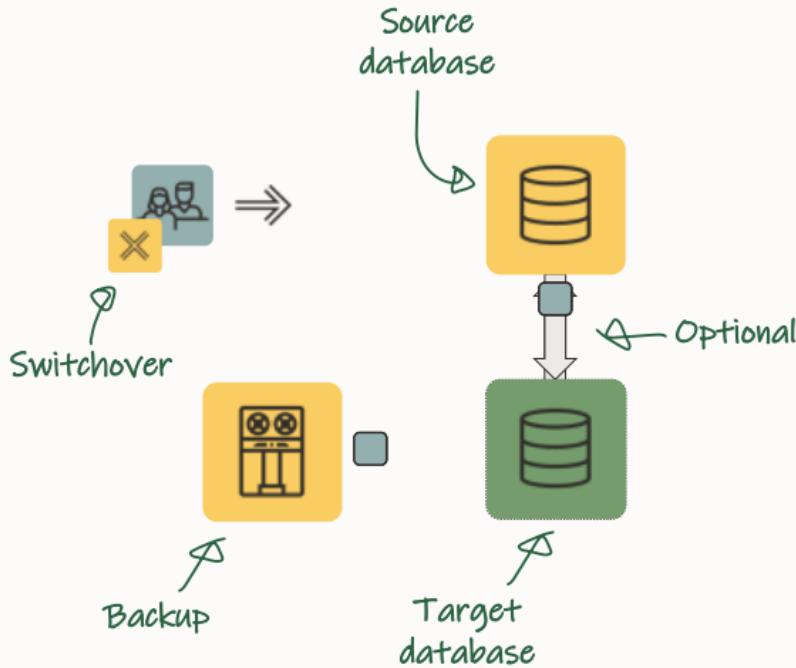
- **Most critical job:** runtime from 30hrs to < 2hrs



Different
Migration
techniques



Data Guard | Concept



Configure:

- Redo transport
- Redo apply

```
RMAN> RESTORE STANDBY CONTROLFILE ... ;  
RMAN> RESTORE DATABASE ... ;  
RMAN> RECOVER DATABASE UNTIL ... ;
```

Data Guard | Benefits

- Preferred solution
- Well-known, simple and easy
- Seamless switchover with properly configured application
- Some [cross-platform capabilities](#)



Source Oracle Home
is needed on target host

Data Guard | Platform Certification

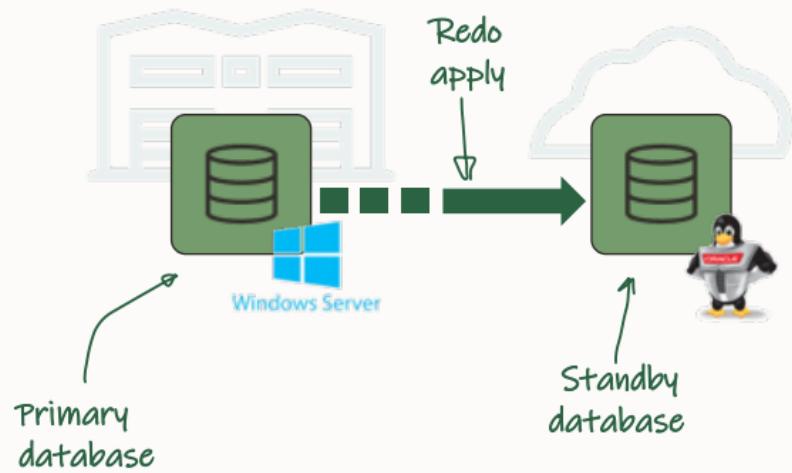
1. Migrate database to new hardware and upgrade from 11.2.0.4 to 19c
2. Target host must run Oracle Linux 9
3. To use Data Guard, you must install Oracle Database 11.2.0.4 on target host
4. Oracle Database 11.2.0.4 is **not certified** on Oracle Linux 9

Data Guard not possible



Do you need the same platform
on source and target host?

Data Guard | Heterogeneous



Little Endian | Linux Standby



[Data Guard Support for Heterogeneous Primary and Physical Standbys in Same Data Guard Configuration \(Doc ID 413484.1\)](#)

What differences are allowed between a Primary Database and a Data Guard Physical Standby Database (Redo Apply)?

This note is updated for Redo Apply and Oracle Data Guard 12c. It applies to all versions of Oracle Database 10g, 11g and Oracle Database 12c.

For information on supported configurations using Logical Standby (SQL Apply), see Support Note 1085687.1

Scope and Application:

The simplest path when deploying Data Guard is to configure a homogeneous and symmetric primary/standby configuration. However, it is often useful to deploy a heterogeneous configuration either to utilize existing servers that happen to run different operating systems or to facilitate migrations from one platform to another with minimal downtime or risk. It is also reasonable for users to wish to reduce their disaster recovery investment by purposely configuring a standby system with less processing capacity than production, or by utilizing lower cost components than used for their primary system. Use the instructions and information provided in this support note to determine which platform combinations are supported within a single Data Guard configuration and any additional requirements or restrictions that may apply.

If a heterogeneous primary/standby configuration is under consideration, Oracle recommends that users conduct sufficient testing to be sure that required service levels will continue to be achieved following a switchover or failover to the standby system.

1. Determine the Platform ID for your primary and standby database.

You can find the PLATFORM_ID inside the database in the V\$DATABASE view using the query below:

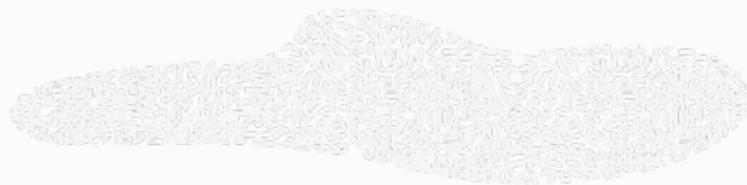
```
SQL> select platform_id, platform_name from v$database;
```

PLATFORM_ID	PLATFORM_NAME
10	Linux IA (32-bit)

Differences between the primary server(s) and the standby server(s) are always supported as long as the Oracle software installed on all servers is of the same Oracle Platform as defined above, is certified to run on each server, and is the same Oracle Database Release and Patch Set. Examples of such differences that are supported include the following:

[Data Guard Support for Heterogeneous Primary and Physical Standbys in Same Data Guard Configuration \(Doc ID 413484.1\)](#)

Little Endian | Linux Standby



```
SQL> SELECT platform_name, endian_format
  FROM v$transportable_platform
 WHERE endian_format='Little';
```

PLATFORM_NAME	ENDIAN_FORMAT
Apple Mac OS (x86-64)	Little
HP IA Open VMS	Little
HP Open VMS	Little
HP Tru64 UNIX	Little
Linux IA (32-bit)	Little
Linux IA (64-bit)	Little
Linux x86 64-bit	Little
Microsoft Windows IA (32-bit)	Little
Microsoft Windows IA (64-bit)	Little
Microsoft Windows x86 64-bit	Little
Solaris Operating System (x86)	Little
Solaris Operating System (x86-64)	Little



SQL*Net connectivity is required between source and target database



RMAN Compression can reduce the size and duration of the backup significantly

Pro tip: Most compression algorithms require Advanced Compression Option



Secure your RMAN backup with
TDE Tablespace Encryption or RMAN Encryption

Pro tip: Requires Advanced Security Option



Using multisection backups is important in databases with bigfile tablespaces

Pro tip: The keyword SECTION SIZE controls the use of multisection backups



REDO APPLY

benchmark

Redo apply, TB/Day	11.2.0.4	12.1.0.2	12.2	MIRA 2x	MIRA 4x
Batch	57	57	57	115	226
OLTP	14	15	15	29	60

Source: [Redo Apply Best Practices – Oracle Data Guard and Active Data Guard](#)

[How To Calculate The Required Network Bandwidth
Transfer Of Redo In Data Guard Environments \(Doc ID 736755.1\)](#)



redo

TRANSPORT AND APPLY

benchmark

Connection, Gbps	11.2.0.4	12.1.0.2	12.2	MIRA 2x	MIRA 4x
Batch	57 / 6	57 / 6	57 / 6	115 / 11	226 / 22
OLTP	14 / 2	15 / 2	15 / 2	29 / 3	60 / 6

Source: [Redo Apply Best Practices – Oracle Data Guard and Active Data Guard](#)



Consider compressing redo when using very slow connections

Pro tip: Requires Advanced Compression Option

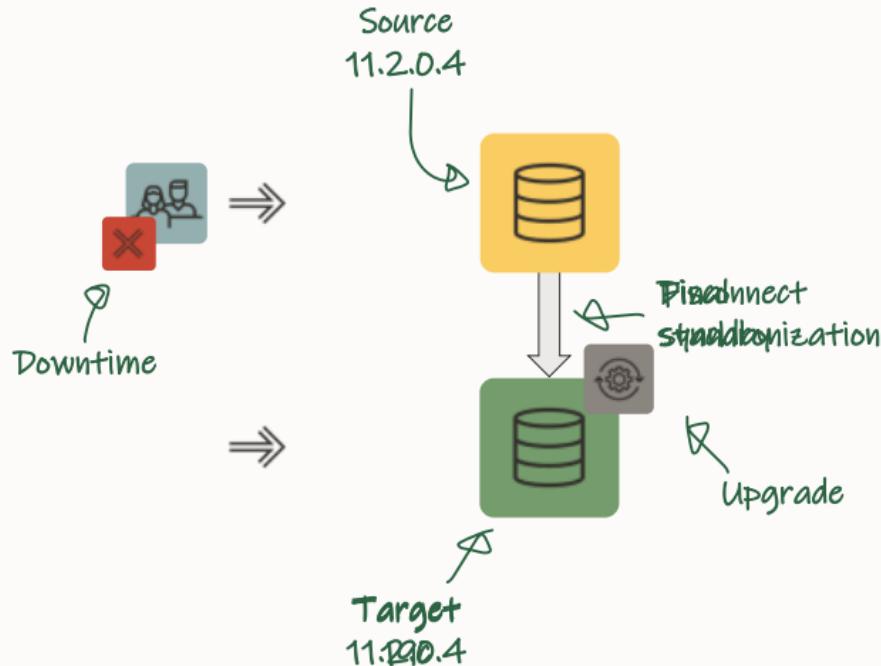


What about upgrade?



Downtime is required to upgrade database after switchover

Data Guard | Upgrade



Data Guard | AutoUpgrade



SOURCE DATABASE	TARGET DATABASE
java -jar autoupgrade.jar -mode analyze	
DOWNTIME	
alter system flush redo to ... confirm apply;	
	recover managed standby database cancel;
	recover standby database;
	alter database recover managed standby database finish;
	alter database activate physical standby database;
	alter database open;
	java -jar autoupgrade.jar -mode deploy



Or use a Transient Logical Standby database
for rolling upgrade using DBMS_ROLLING

Pro tip: Watch [How Low Can You Go?
Zero Downtime Operations](#) for details



What about PDB conversion?



Convert to PDB after migration (and upgrade)
using `noncdb_to_pdb.sql`



Can you offload the work
from the source database?



Yes, you can. Instantiate the standby database from a backup

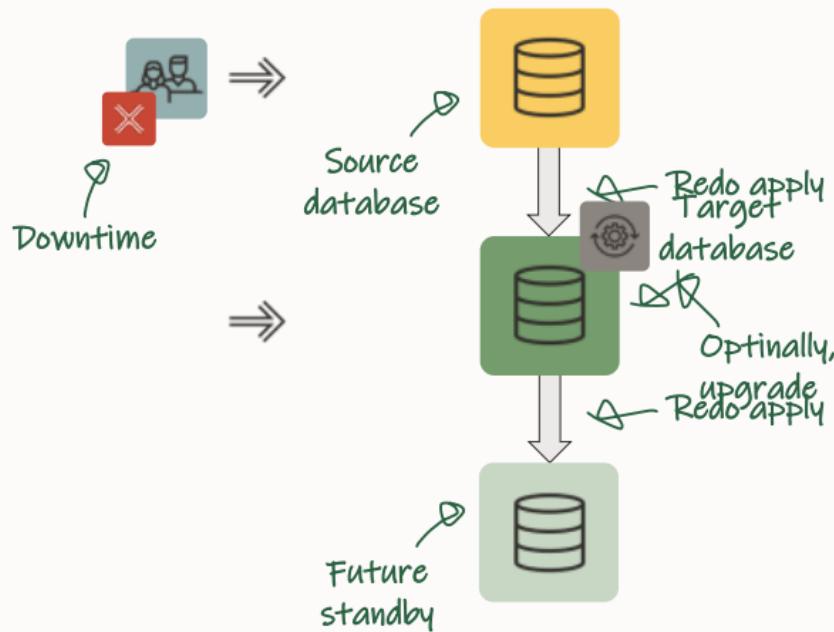


Your target database must
be protected by Data Guard?



You can build the future
standby database in advance
and connect it as a cascading standby

Data Guard | Cascading Standby





Your target database must
have a valid backup before go-live?



Before go-live perform level 0 backup
of the target database



It works even if you upgrade the database



It does not work if you also convert to PDB



Following a PDB conversion new backups of the data files are required before go-live



Your target database must be RAC?



No problem, your standby database
can be configured as a RAC database



How about your fallback plan?

Data Guard | **Fallback**

- To roll back (before go live):
Source database is untouched
- To fall back (after go live):
Switchover
- Unless database was upgraded:
Downgrade
- Unless database was converted:
Data Pump and GoldenGate

Data Guard | **Important Notes**

[MOS Note: 273015.1](#)

Migrating to RAC using Data Guard

[MOS Note: 413484.1](#)

DG Support for Heterogeneous Primary and Physical Standbys in Same DG Configuration

[MOS Note: 1079563.1](#)

RMAN DUPLICATE/RESTORE/RECOVER Mixed Platform Support

[MOS Note: 2439602.1](#)

Implement Standby in OCI (Bare Metal) and how to gather diagnostic information for any failure

[MOS Note: 881421.1](#)

Using Active Database Duplication to Create Cross Platform Data Guard Setup (Windows/Linux)

[MOS Note: 1617946.1](#)

Creating a Physical Standby using RMAN Duplicate (RAC or Non-RAC)

[MOS Note: 1055938.1](#)

Migrating from HP Oracle Database Machine to Sun Oracle Database Machine 11.2 using Data Guard

[Redo Apply Best Practices - Oracle Data Guard and Active Data Guard](#)

Using Data Guard as migration vehicle



Payback GmbH Germany
Exadata Migration Project 2012

Customer Case | Payback

Customer	Payback GmbH
Project 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Belongs to American ExpressHQ in Munich, GermanyDevelops and operates professional customer loyalty programs based on customized IT solutions
Constraints	
Preparation	
Upgrade	
Success?	
Remarks	 A blue Payback card with the word "PAYBACK" in large white letters at the top. Below it is a smaller image of a smartphone displaying a Payback app interface. The card has a subtle gradient and some circular patterns on the left side.  A cartoon illustration of several blue spherical characters with faces and arms, standing on a green soccer field. They are holding small German flags and cheering. A soccer ball is in the foreground. The background is a bright, colorful stadium.

Customer Case | Payback

Customer

Migrate 14TB from Exadata V1 to Exadata X2-2

Project 2012

Constraints

Project timeline: 2 months including all tests

Preparation

How to?

- [MOS Note: 1055938.1](#)

Hardware and Oracle [Migration](#) using Data Guard (Case 2)

1. Use RMAN duplicate create a physical standby on the 11.2 DBM
2. Manually copy archive logs to the 11.2 DBM. Recover archive logs to bring standby forward. When the standby is caught up except for the current logs, shutdown the application, restart the database in exclusive mode, archive log current, copy the remaining logs and apply. Depending on this step, your downtime will vary. Upgrade and recompilation time vary per application.
3. Activate the standby, open the database, and perform the upgrade.

Success?

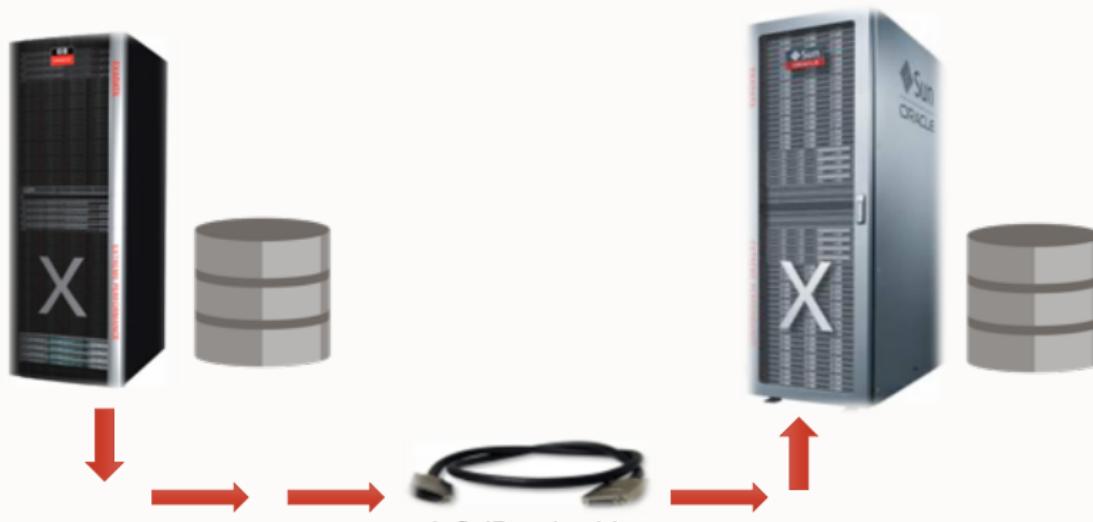
Remarks

Customer Case | Payback

Customer	Oracle 11.1.0.7 software <u>must not</u> be installed on Exadata X2-2
Project 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Upgrading source Exadata to 11.2.0.3 not an option
Constraints	Database 14TB
Preparation	Downtime: less than 8hrs
Upgrade	Network "bottleneck"
Success?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Remedy: Special IB cabled connection from V1 to X2-2
Remarks	

Customer Case | Payback

Customer	Restoring 14TB with RMAN
Project 2012	• DUPLICATE FOR STANDBY FROM ACTIVE DATABASE
Constraints	
Preparation	
Upgrade	
Success?	
Remarks	



InfiniBand cable

Customer Case | Payback

Customer	Live upgrade/migration
Project 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• RMAN Restore and Recovery: <3 hours<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 64 parallel RMAN channels allocated: >4TB/hour
Constraints	
Preparation	
Upgrade	
Success?	
Remarks	

The diagram illustrates a live database migration between two Sun Oracle servers. On the left, a server with an 'X' on its front panel is connected to a database storage unit. A red arrow points from this server to a central dashed box. The dashed box contains the text 'RMAN Restore' and '64 parallel channels' above five blue horizontal arrows pointing right. To the right of the dashed box is another server with an 'X' on its front panel, also connected to a database storage unit. A red arrow points from the central dashed box to this second server. Below the servers, a black InfiniBand cable is shown with two red arrows pointing towards it, indicating its role in the migration process.

Customer Case | Payback

Customer	Database upgrade 11.1.0.7 ⇒ 11.2.0.3
Project 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Used the new PARALLEL UPGRADE tool catctl.pl as Beta customerTotal database upgrade time including recompilation: 20 mins
Constraints	
Preparation	
Upgrade	
Success?	
Remarks	



Customer Case | Payback

Customer	Live? And alive?
Project 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Yes! Go-live on 3-JUL-2012<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Almost three weeks earlier than proposed
Constraints	
Preparation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Total migration and upgrade time officially: ~4 hours<ul style="list-style-type: none">• < 3 hours: Restore for Standby and recovery• < 20 mins: Database upgrade to Oracle 11.2.0.3• ~ 40 mins: Extra tasks (crsctl etc.)
Upgrade	
Success?	
Remarks	

Customer Case | Payback

Customer	A few plans did change – but we were prepared ☺
Project 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• AWR and SQL Plan Management
Constraints	Physical standby as migration vehicle was the key technique
Preparation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Allows several test runs
Upgrade	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Copy time does not account for downtime
Success?	
Remarks	
2020?	

Customer Case | Payback

Customer

Today, Payback has many production databases on Oracle 19.8.0

Project 2012

Constraints

Preparation

Upgrade

Success?

Remarks

2020?



Migration Strategies

Rolling Upgrades with Transient Logical Standby

Rolling Upgrade | Transient Logical Standby



Use a logical standby database to upgrade with very little downtime.

The only downtime is as little as it takes to perform a switchover.

Pro tip: Also useful for other maintenance activities

Rolling Upgrade | **Standby Types**

PHYSICAL

Redo apply

Updated by changing data block

Exact copy - block-by-block

LOGICAL

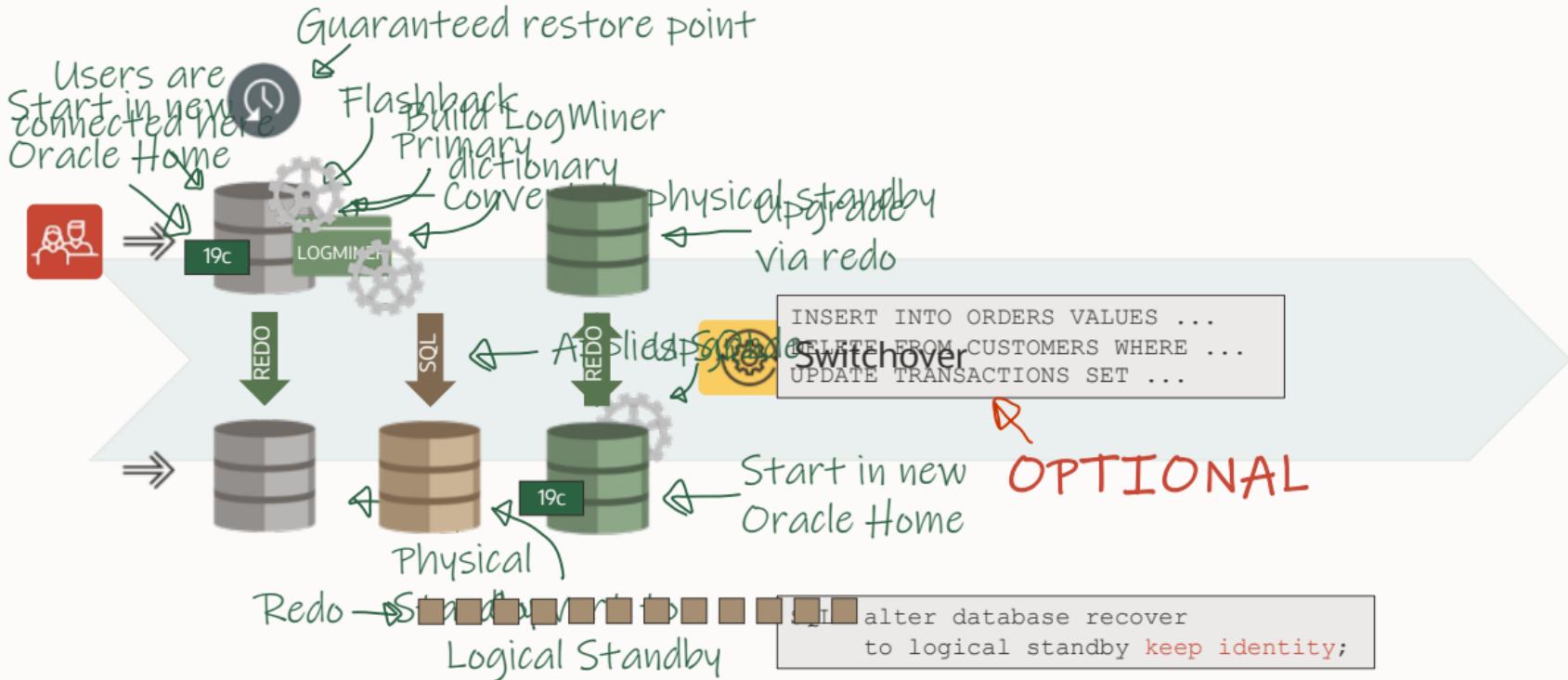
SQL apply

Updated by executing SQLs

Copy - data is the same

Pro tip: Read more about standby types in
[Data Guard Concepts and Administrations](#)

Rolling Upgrade | Concept



Rolling Upgrade | Options

MANUAL

Part of Enterprise Edition

Source must be 11.1.0.7

Manual approach

Data Guard broker must be disabled

DBMS_ROLLING

Requires **Active Data Guard**

Source must be 12.1.0.2 or newer

Automated

Data Guard broker can be enabled

Recommended

Rolling Upgrade | **Manual**

[MOS Note: 949322.1](#)

Oracle11g Data Guard: Database Rolling Upgrade Shell Script

- Potentially not adjusted for Oracle 12c and newer
- Requires source is 11.2.0.3 or newer
- Does not work with Multitenant
- Not supported in 19c

Rolling Upgrade | Options

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Rolling Upgrade | **DBMS_ROLLING**

6 SIMPLE STEPS

```
SQL> exec dbms_rolling.init_plan;  
SQL> exec dbms_rolling.build_plan;  
SQL> exec dbms_rolling.start_plan;
```

Upgrade database

```
SQL> exec dbms_rolling.switchover;  
SQL> exec dbms_rolling.finish_plan;
```

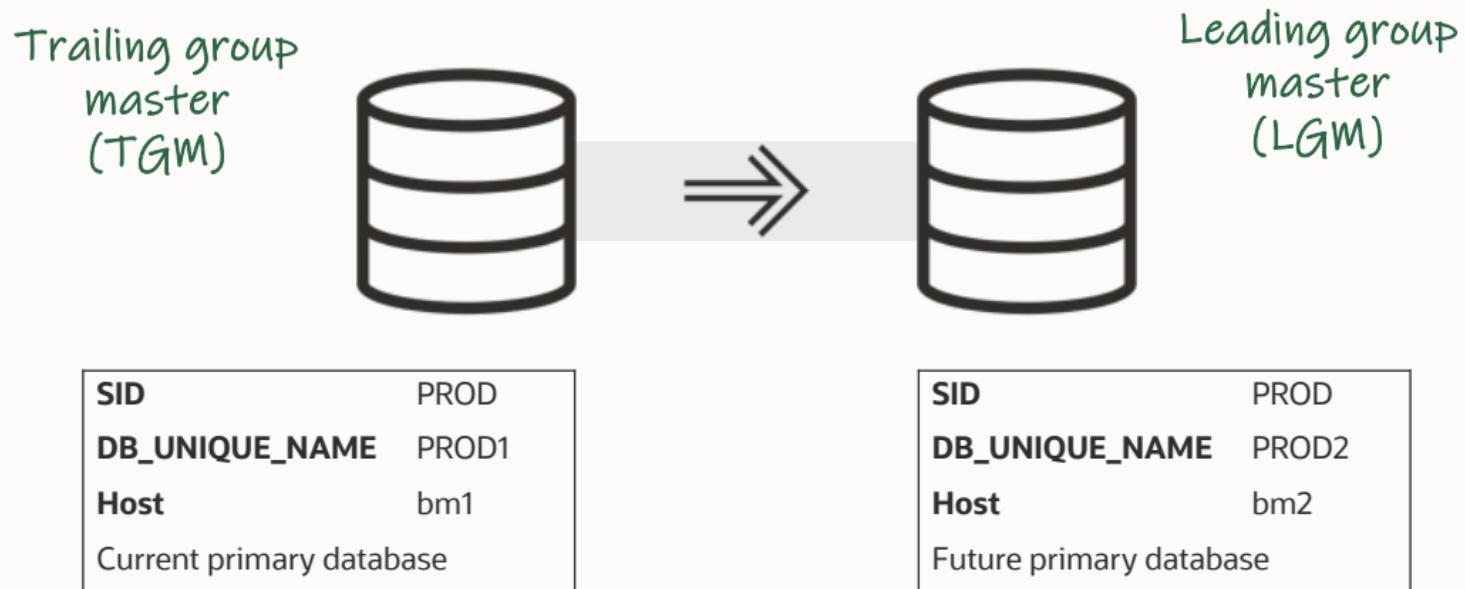
Rolling Upgrade | DBMS_ROLLING

```
...
Get current redo branch of the primary database
Wait until recovery is active on the primary's redo
branch
Reduce to a single instance if database is a RAC
Verify only a single instance is active if future
primary is RAC
Stop media recovery
Execute dbms_logstdby.build
Convert into a transient logical standby
Open database including instance-peers if RAC
Verify logical standby is open read/write
Get redo branch of transient logical standby
Get reset scn of transient logical redo branch
Configure logical standby parameters
Start logical standby apply
```

86 INSTRUCTIONS OR CHECKS

```
...
Start logical standby apply
Wait until apply lag has fallen below 600 seconds
Notify Data Guard broker that switchover to logical
standby database is starting
Log post-switchover instructions to events table
Switch database to a logical standby
Notify Data Guard broker that switchover to logical
standby database has completed
Wait until end-of-redo has been applied
...
```

Rolling Upgrade | Demo



Rolling Upgrade | Demo

Users are still connected here



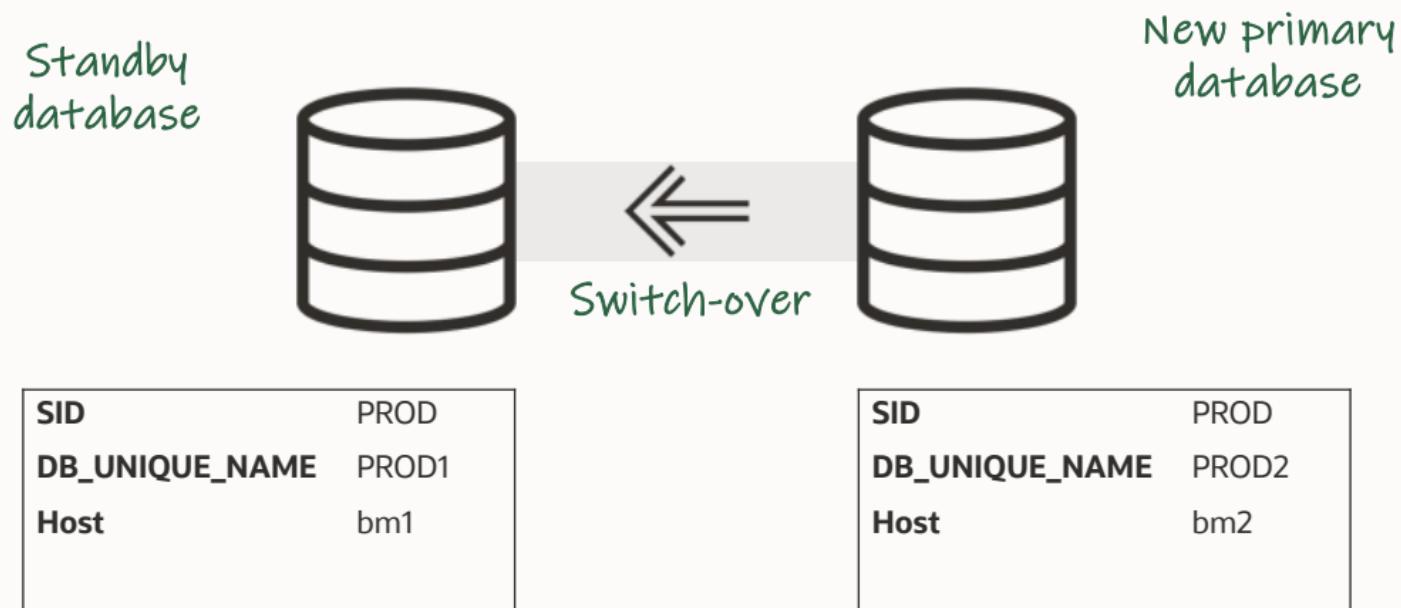
SQL apply



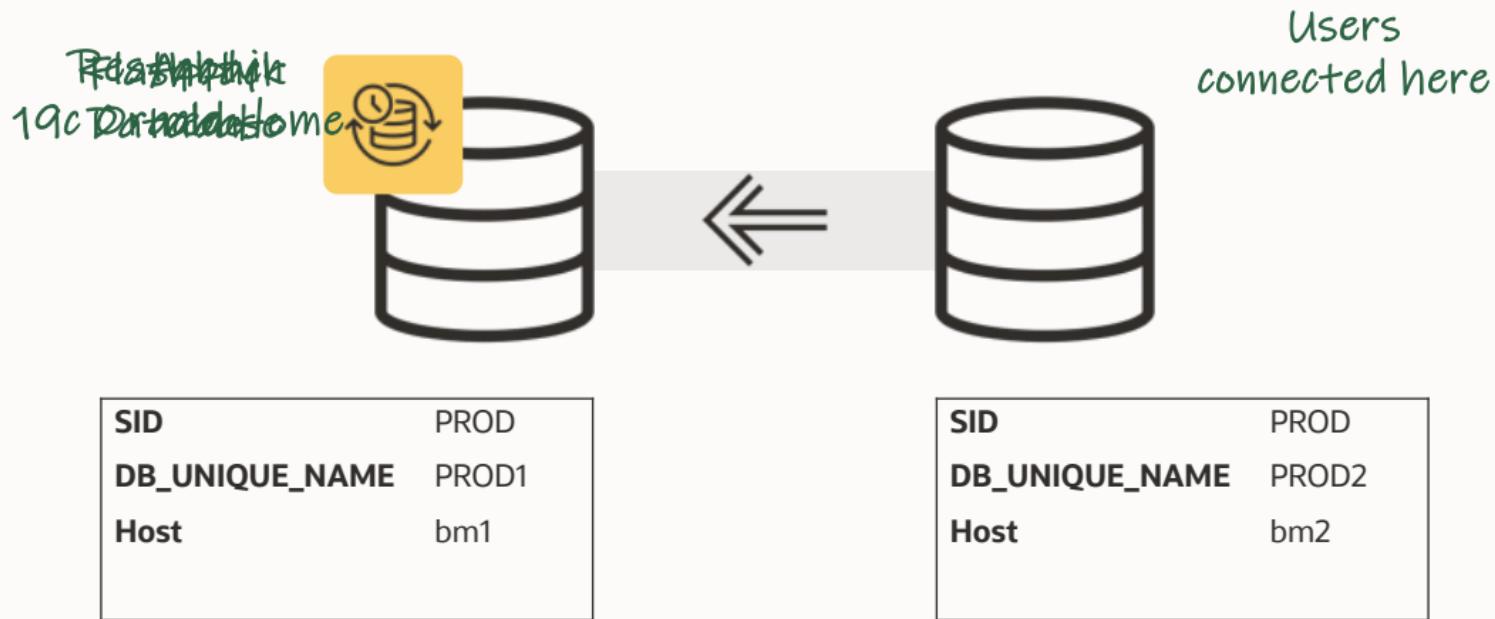
SID	PROD
DB_UNIQUE_NAME	PROD1
Host	bm1

SID	PROD
DB_UNIQUE_NAME	PROD2
Host	bm2

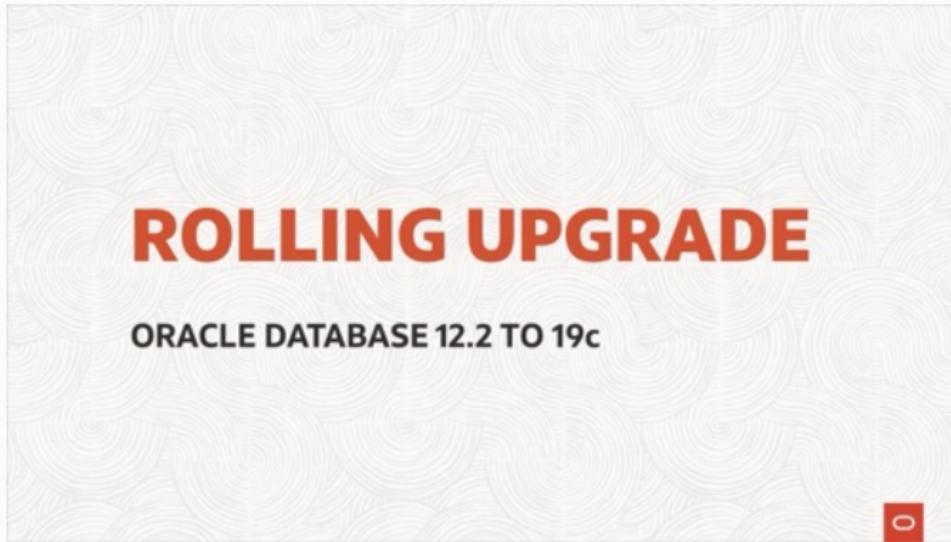
Rolling Upgrade | Demo



Rolling Upgrade | Demo



Rolling Upgrade | **Demo**



Rolling Upgrade | Backups



After converting to logical standby database,
take a level 0 backup

Can I use rolling upgrade
on my database?

Rolling Upgrade | Database Readiness



Do not create the logical standby on the **same** server as the primary database

Rolling Upgrade | Database Readiness



Supplemental logging is enabled automatically which introduces an overhead and increases the amount of redo generated

Pro tip: The change happens implicitly when the log miner dictionary is built

Rolling Upgrade | Database Readiness



When supplemental logging is enabled
all DML cursors are invalidated

Rolling Upgrade | Database Readiness



Not all data types and partitioning types are supported

Pro tip: Check the [documentation](#) for details

Rolling Upgrade | Database Readiness



Logical Standby Database supports most Oracle Text features

Some restrictions apply

Rolling Upgrade | Multitenant

- Rolling upgrade on container databases is fully supported
- Upgrade happens on CDB level - when you switchover - the entire CDB switches over
- The Transient Logical Standby can have a subset of the PDBs
- Adding new PDBs in primary after instantiating logical standby is possible, but cumbersome

Rolling Upgrade | Best Practices

Tips and tricks to ease your migration

Rolling Upgrade | Best Practice



For optimal performance all tables should have primary keys or unique keys

Pro tip: For further information, read [Prerequisite Conditions for Creating a Logical Standby Database](#)

Rolling Upgrade | Best Practice



Use `ALTER DATABASE GUARD` to prevent accidental changes on logical standby database

Rolling Upgrade | Best Practice



It is recommended to use three standby databases for maximum protection

Rolling Upgrade | Best Practice



Upgrade Grid Infrastructure to new release
before you start the process

Rolling Upgrade | Best Practice



Patch the source database
to the latest Release Update

Rolling Upgrade | Best Practice



Before starting rolling maintenance,
test your Data Guard config

Rolling Upgrade | Best Practice



Plan your switchover to an off-peak period

Rolling Upgrade | Exadata Cloud Service



Step-by-step instructions in
[Exadata Cloud Database 19c Rolling Upgrade](#)
[With DBMS_ROLLING \(Doc ID 2832235.1\)](#)

Rolling Upgrade | Additional Information - 1

Technical Briefs:

- [Oracle Database Rolling Upgrades Using a Data Guard Physical Standby Database](#)

Documentation:

- [Oracle 19c Data Guard Concepts and Administration](#)

MOS Notes:

- [Transient Rolling Upgrade Using DBMS_ROLLING - Beginners Guide](#)
- [Rolling upgrade using DBMS_ROLLING - Complete Reference \(Doc ID 2086512.1\)](#)
- [MAA Whitepaper: SQL Apply Best Practices \(Doc ID 1672310.1\)](#)
- [Step by Step How to Do Swithcover/Failover on Logical Standby Environment \(Doc ID 2535950.1\)](#)
- [How To Skip A Complete Schema From Application on Logical Standby Database \(Doc ID 741325.1\)](#)
- [How to monitor the progress of the logical standby \(Doc ID 1296954.1\)](#)
- [How To Reduce The Performance Impact Of LogMiner Usage On A Production Database \(Doc ID 1629300.1\)](#)

Rolling Upgrade | Additional Information - 2

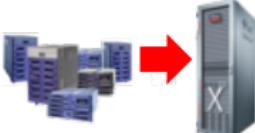
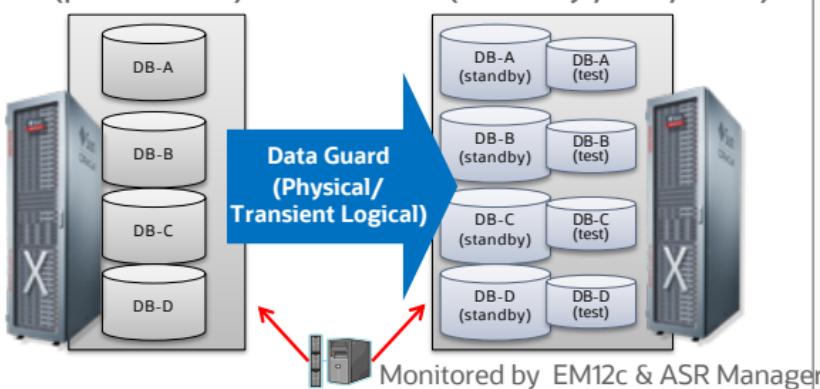
MOS Notes:

- [Handling ORA-1403 ora-12801 on logical standby apply \(Doc ID 1178284.1\)](#)
- [Troubleshooting Example - Rolling Upgrade using DBMS_ROLLING \(Doc ID 2535940.1\)](#)
- [DBMS Rolling Upgrade Switchover Fails with ORA-45427: Logical Standby Redo Apply Process Was Not Running \(Doc ID 2696017.1\)](#)
- [SRDC - Collect Logical Standby Database Information \(Doc ID 1910065.1\)](#)
- [MRP fails with ORA-19906 after Flashback of Transient Logical Standby used for Rolling Upgrade \(Doc ID 2069325.1\)](#)
- [What Causes High Redo When Supplemental Logging is Enabled \(Doc ID 1349037.1\)](#)
- [Logical Standby SOL APPLY Tuning Tips \(Doc ID 2674154.1\)](#)

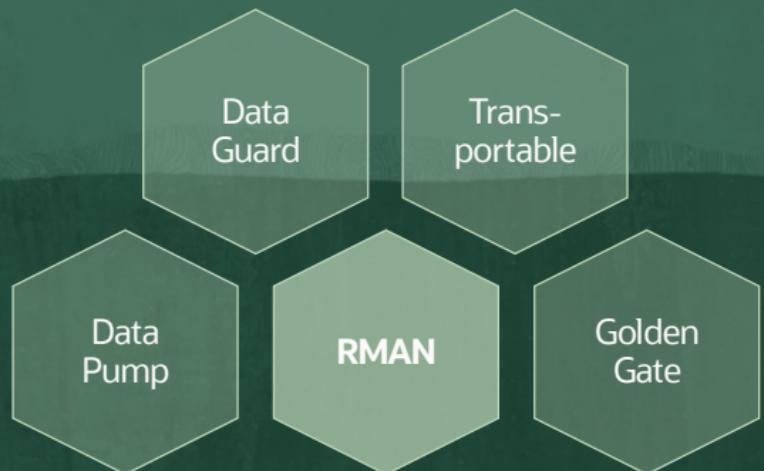
Bugs:

- BUG 22541208 - REPLICATION FAILS WITH ORA-02149 DROPPING PARTITION WITH SYSTEM GENERATED NAME (fixed in 12.2 backport available for 12.1)
- BUG 31412209 - TRANSIENT LOGICAL STANDBY UPGRADE FAILING WITH ORA-600[KRVXSAU_122_12202_LCR_OP] (fixed in 12.2 backport available for lower versions)

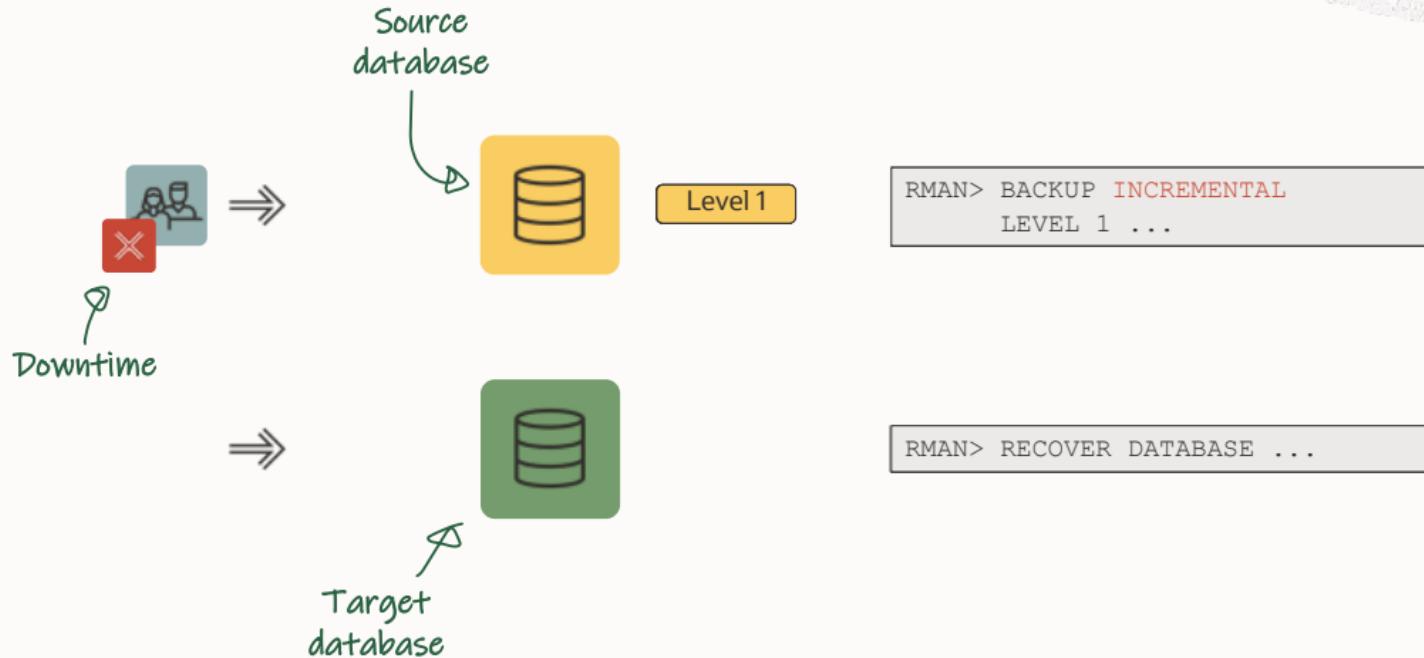
Rolling Upgrade | Nippon Steel & Sumitomo Metal

Benefits	Consolidation of	Minimize planned	High performance
<p><i>“Consolidating 4 Databases including Steel factory systems onto Exadata providing High performance and reliability, Enabling making use of High Quality of infrastructure.”</i></p>		5 minutes	
<h2>Business Objectives</h2>			
<p>• High availability • DB Infra consolidation</p> <h2>Solution</h2> <p>• Adopting Exadata providing high performance and high availability • Rolling upgrade using Data Guard minimizes planned downtime</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rolling upgrade using Transient Logical Standby realized minimizing downtime of upgrading DB (11.2.0.3 → 11.2.0.4)• 5 minutes downtime x 2times (switchover) per 1 DB• Mainframe migration• Consolidating 4 DBs including Steel factory system & DWH onto Exadata			

Different
Migration
techniques



Incremental | Concept



Incremental | Benefits

- Simple and easy
- Well-known process
- Use existing backups
- Independent of file system, raw devices and ASM
- Some [cross-platform capabilities](#)

Incremental | Procedure



SOURCE DATABASE	TARGET DATABASE
backup incremental level 0 database ... ;	
	restore database;
backup incremental level 1 database ... ;	
	recover database;
DOWNTIME	
backup incremental level 1 database ... ;	
	recover database;
	alter database open resetlogs;



Incremental backups are useful when there is no SQL*Net connectivity between source and target



Incremental backups are useful when source database release can't be installed on target host

Pro tip: Any release of RMAN can restore and recover a previous release backup



Block Change Tracking is recommended to speed up incremental backups

Pro tip: BCT is an Enterprise Edition feature, but requires Active Data Guard if enabled on standby database



RMAN Compression can significantly reduce the size and duration of the backup

Pro tip: Most compression algorithms require Advanced Compression Option





Secure your RMAN backup with
TDE Tablespace Encryption or RMAN Encryption

Pro tip: Requires Advanced Security Option



Using multisection backups is important in databases with bigfile tablespaces

Pro tip: The keyword SECTION SIZE controls the use of multisection backups



To recover the latest changes use an incremental backup or archive logs



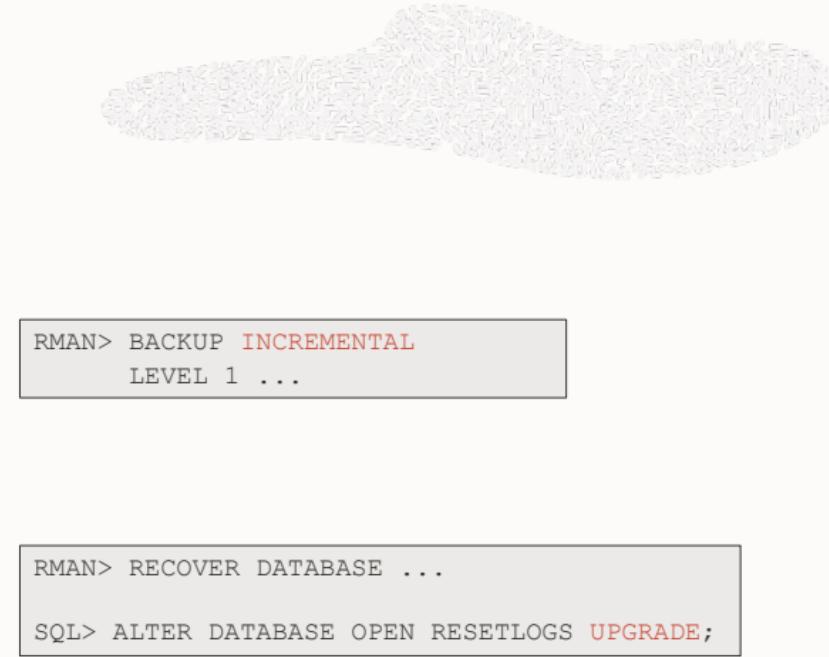
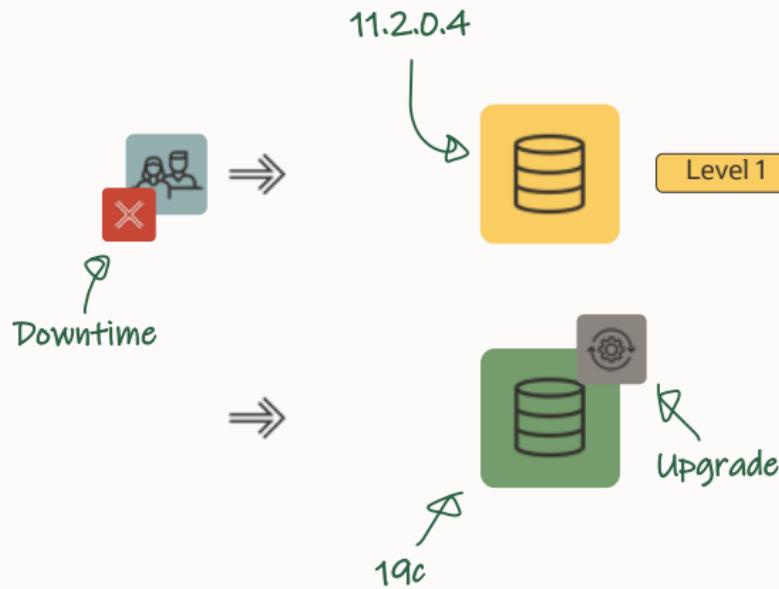
What about upgrade?



RMAN can restore and recover from backups made in a previous release

Pro tip: The database must be opened immediately in UPGRADE mode and upgraded

Incremental | Upgrade



Incremental | AutoUpgrade



SOURCE DATABASE	TARGET DATABASE	
backup incremental level 0 database ... ;		
	restore database;	
java -jar autoupgrade.jar -mode analyze	DOWNTIME	
java -jar autoupgrade.jar -mode analyze		
java -jar autoupgrade.jar -mode fixups		
backup incremental level 1 database ... ;		
	recover database;	
	alter database open resetlogs upgrade;	
	java -jar autoupgrade.jar -mode upgrade	



What about PDB conversion?



Convert to PDB after migration (and upgrade)
using `noncdb_to_pdb.sql`



Cloning a non-CDB directly
into a CDB (NON\$CDB cloning)
is not recommended for large databases



Can you offload the work
from the source database?



Yes, you can perform the backups
on a standby database



Or simly re-use any backups that
are being taken already

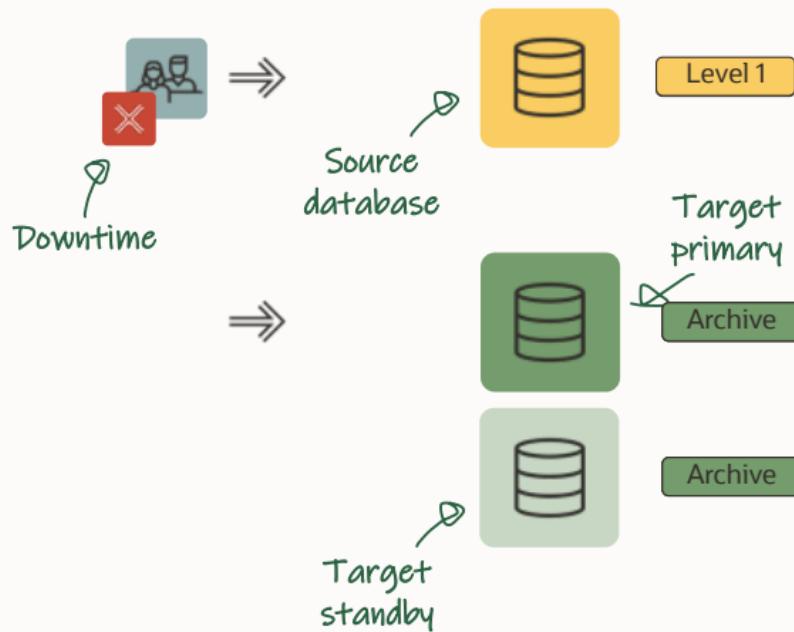


Your target database must
be protected by Data Guard?



You can restore source data files on to future standby database in advance

Incremental | Data Guard



```
SQL> ALTER DATABASE OPEN RESETLOGS;
```

Configure:

- redo transport
- Redo apply

```
RMAN> RECOVER DATABASE ...
```

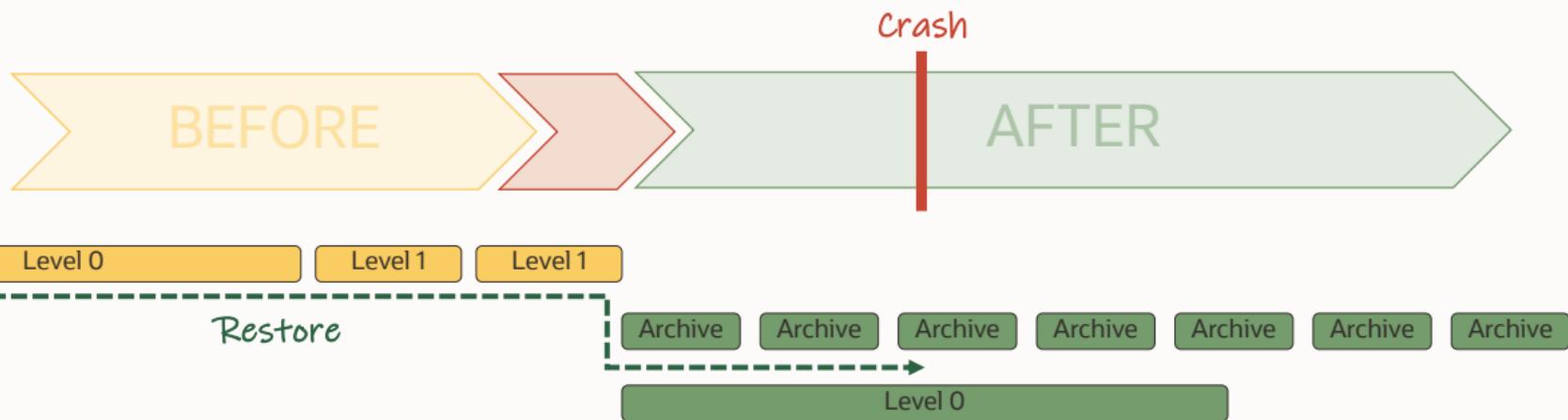


Your target database must
have a valid backup before go-live?



The backup pieces used by the migration, can be used for disaster recovery as well

Incremental | Backup





It works even if you upgraded the database



It does not work if you also converted to a PDB



Following a PDB conversion, new backups of the data files are required before go-live



Your target database must be RAC?



No problem, you can even restore
a single instance to a RAC



To make recovery as easy as possible,
use shared storage as much as possible

Incremental | RAC

- Backups on shared storage enables multi-instance recovery
- Recovery is easier with SPFile and password file on shared storage
- For encrypted databases also place keystore on shared storage

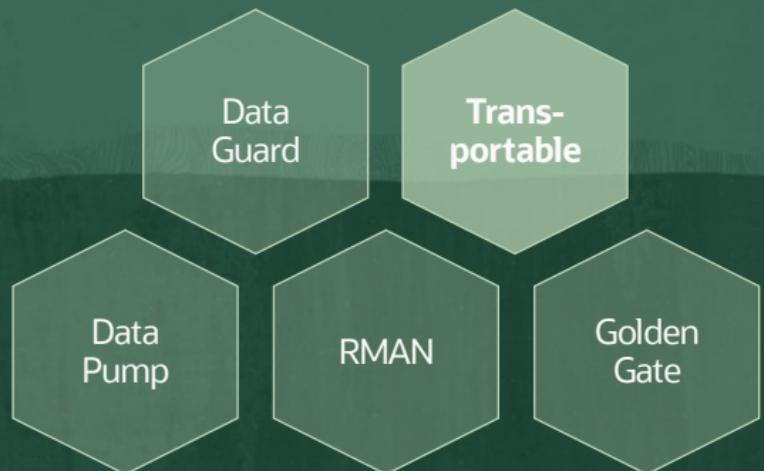


How about your fallback plan?

Incremental | Fallback

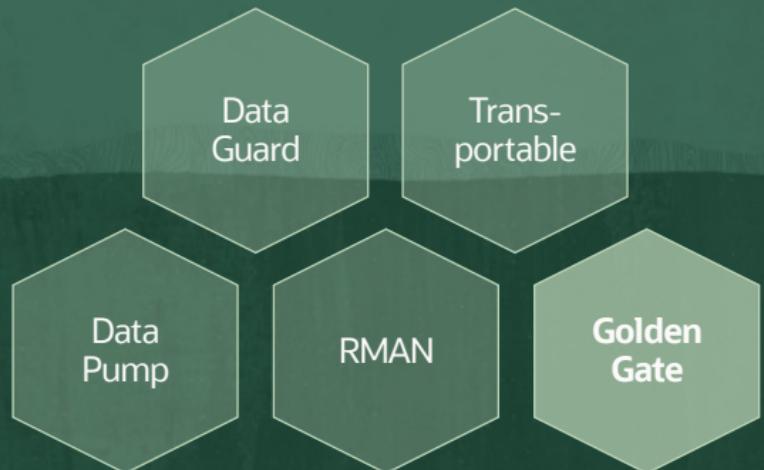
- To roll back (before go live):
Source environment is preserved
- To fall back (after go live):
Redo process in reverse order
- Unless database was upgraded:
Downgrade
- Unless database was converted:
Data Pump and GoldenGate

Different
Migration
techniques



See separate decks for M5 and XTTS v4 Perl scripts

Different
Migration
techniques



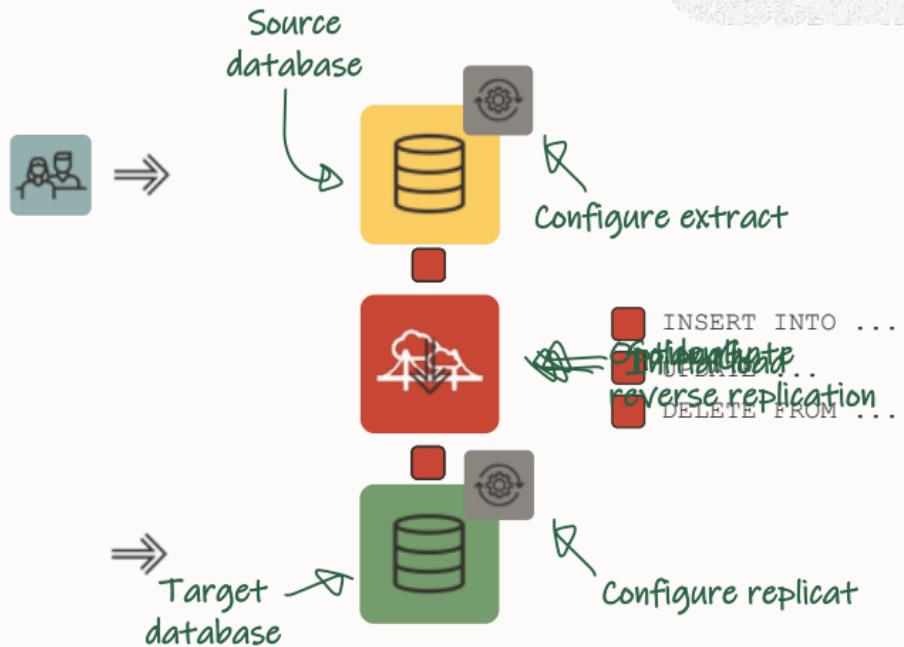
GoldenGate | Overview



GoldenGate offers true **zero downtime** upgrades combined with excellent fallback capabilities and extreme flexibility

Pro tip: Active Data Guard included in GoldenGate license

GoldenGate | Concept



GoldenGate | Benefits

- True zero downtime
- Extremely flexible
- Cross-version and cross-architecture
- Cross-platform and cross-endian
- Test before go-live using Flashback Database (Doc ID [966212.1](#))

Pro tip: Active Data Guard included in GoldenGate license

GoldenGate | Architecture

- SQL*Net connection between databases
 - Alternatively, a distribution path between two GoldenGate instances
- Compress trail files to reduce network load
- Example: Database generating 10 TB redo
 - Trail files typically 30-40 % of redo
 - Compress at least 1:4, most likely up to 1:8
 - Result: 400 GB to 1000 GB trail files

GoldenGate | Initial load

If your initial load is a Data Pump import:

- Export or re-create public and other not exported objects
 - Synonyms
 - Database links
 - ...
- Diagnostic and tuning related information
 - AWR
 - SQL Plan Baselines
 - SQL Profiles
 - SQL Patches
 - ...



To strengthen security, you can encrypt the GoldenGate trail files



GoldenGate requires
database minimal supplemental logging
which does not impose a significant overhead

GoldenGate | Considerations

- Target database time zone file version must be equal to or higher than source
 - SQL> select * from v\$timezone_file;
- Possibly patches are recommended on source database to support GoldenGate
 - 11g
 - 12c and newer
- DDL replication
 - Truncate
 - Sequences

GoldenGate | Data Pump Integration

No longer needed to specify from which SCN replication should start

New **Replicat** parameter

DBOPTIONS ENABLE_INSTANTIATION_FILTERING

Requires **Oracle GoldenGate 12.2**

MOS Note: [1276058.1](#)



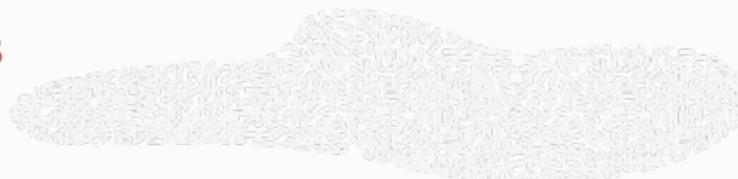
```
SQL> select source_object_name,  
instantiation_scn from  
dba_apply_instantiated_objects where  
source_object_owner = 'APPS' ;
```

SOURCE_OBJECT_NAME	INSTANTIATION_SCN
TCUSTMER	829723224
TCUSTORD	829723223

```
2017-07-17 15:02:51 INFO OGG-10155  
Instantiation CSN filtering is enabled  
on table APPS.TCUSTMER at CSN  
829,723,224.
```

```
2017-07-17 15:02:51 INFO OGG-10155  
Instantiation CSN filtering is enabled  
on table APPS.TCUSTORD at CSN  
829,723,223.
```

GoldenGate | Network recommendations



Running Oracle GoldenGate remotely

Network round trip ping time:

Extract less than 80 ms

Replicat less than 5 ms

Bandwidth:

Integrated Extract - only the changes to tables that are being captured will be sent to the Extract process itself

Can you use GoldenGate
on your database?

GoldenGate | Database Readiness



```
SQL> select * from dba_goldengate_support_mode;  
OWNER OBJECT_NAME SUPPORT_MODE  
CO CUSTOMERS ID KEY  
CO ORDERS ID KEY  
CO ORDER_ITEMS FULL  
CO PRODUCTS ID KEY  
CO STORES ID KEY
```

GoldenGate | Database Readiness



SUPPORT_MODE



FULL



ID KEY
PLSQL

INTERNAL
NONE

Pro tip: Visit the [documentation](#) for more details

GoldenGate | Database Readiness



SUPPORT_MODE



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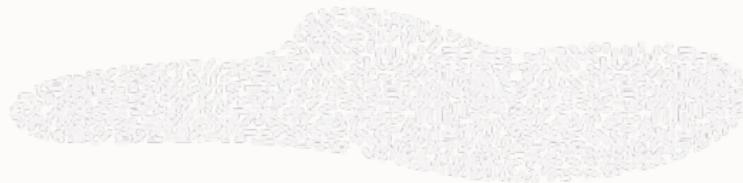


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GoldenGate | Database Readiness



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GoldenGate | Database Readiness

What's wrong in this Oracle Database running 12.2?

Identify columns supported as of Oracle Database 18c ...

```
SQL> select * from dba_goldengate_support_mode;  
OWNER OBJECT_NAME SUPPORT_MODE  
CO CUSTOMERS ID KEY  
CO ORDERS ID KEY  
CO ORDER_ITEMS FULL  
CO PRODUCTS ID KEY  
CO STORES ID KEY
```

GoldenGate | Database Readiness

Oracle Database 21c New Feature

```
SQL> select * from dba_goldengate_support_mode;
```

OWNER	OBJECT_NAME	SUPPORT_MODE	DESCRIPTION
CO	CUSTOMERS	ID KEY	A very good explanation
CO	ORDERS	ID KEY	Another good explanation
CO	ORDER_ITEMS	FULL	
CO	PRODUCTS	ID KEY	A third explanation
CO	STORES	ID KEY	Good explanation comes in abundance these days



For optimal performance all tables should have primary keys or unique keys

GoldenGate | Database Readiness



SQL> select * from dba_goldengate_not_unique;		
OWNER	TABLE_NAME	BAD_COLUMN
IX	AQ\$_ORDERS_QUEUETABLE_L	N
IX	AQ\$_STREAMS_QUEUE_TABLE_L	N
SH	SALES	N
SH	COSTS	N
SH	SUPPLEMENTARY_DEMOGRAPHICS	N
SH	CAL_MONTH_SALES_MV	N
SH	FWEEK_PSCAT_SALES_MV	N

GoldenGate | Database Readiness



If the application maintains uniqueness, but it is not enforced on the database, use a KEYCOLS clause to let GoldenGate use it

Pro tip: For further information, read [Ensuring Row Uniqueness in Source and Target Tables](#)

GoldenGate | Database Readiness



GoldenGate requires
database minimal supplemental logging
which does not impose a significant overhead

GoldenGate | Health Check

Generate report:

- Check prerequisites
- Database characteristics
- Find database objects of interest
- Extract/replicat statistics
- Check database readiness

The screenshot shows the Oracle GoldenGate Integrated Extract/Replicat Health Check interface. The top navigation bar includes tabs for OVERVIEW, DATABASE, TOOLS, and REPORT/MAP. Below the tabs, there are buttons for MENU: OVERVIEW, Expand All, and Collapse All.

General Findings: This section displays a summary of findings. It includes a table with columns: COMPONENT, TYPE, NAME, ALERT, REASON, and STAT_INFO. The table shows two rows: one for a Configuration RAC with an ALERT of DBRP and a REASON of Multitenant Database (CDB/PDB) is not valid; and another for a Configuration extract_pos1_size (REACH) with an ALERT of 0 and a REASON of np_state.

Database, Extract and Replicat Summary: This section provides a summary of the system. It includes a table with columns: Database (Instance#), and Comments. The table shows one row for CDB1 (1) with a detailed summary of current DBM (Time), Database Version, Database Status, Status Pending, Active Status, Blocked, and Archives.

GoldenGate | Health Check

Generate report by:

- Installing objects in database: `ogghc_install.sql`
- Execute health check: `ogghc_run.sql`
- Optionally, clean-up objects: `ogghc_uninstall.sql`

For GoldenGate MicroServices Architecture find the scripts:

`/u01/app/ogg/oraclenn/lib/sql/healthcheck`



How about upgrading?



GoldenGate can extract from one release,
and replicate into another

Pro tip: You can even migrate from very old
releases using multiple instances of GoldenGate



How about PDB conversion?



GoldenGate can replicate
from non-CDB directly into a PDB

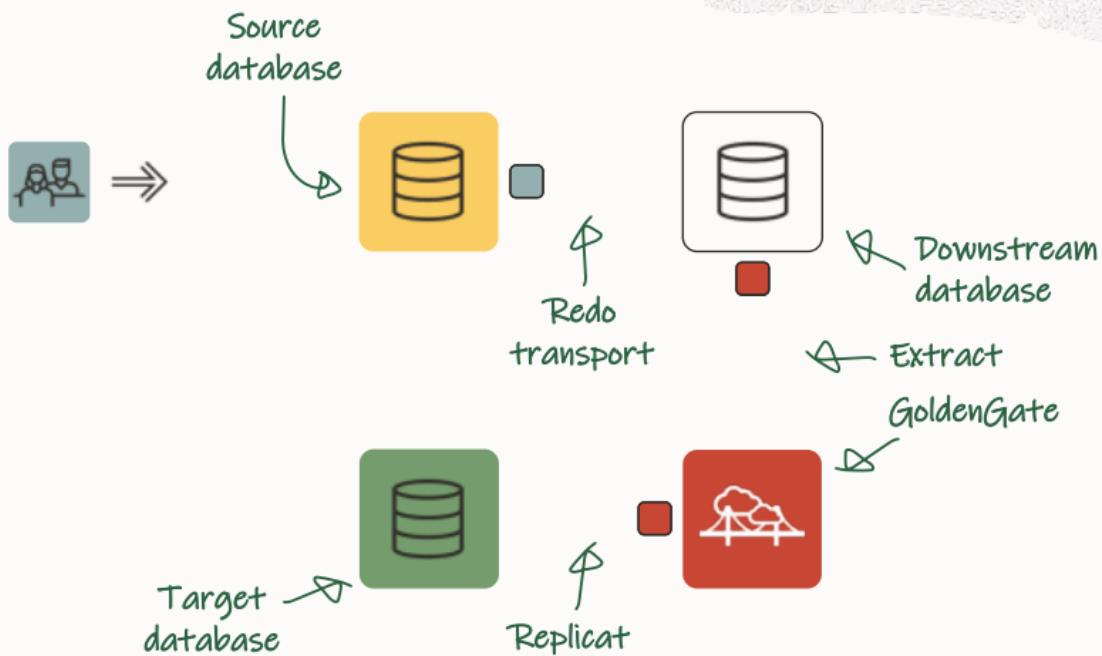


Can I offload the work
from the source database?



Yes, you can extract from
a *downstream* database

GoldenGate | Downstream



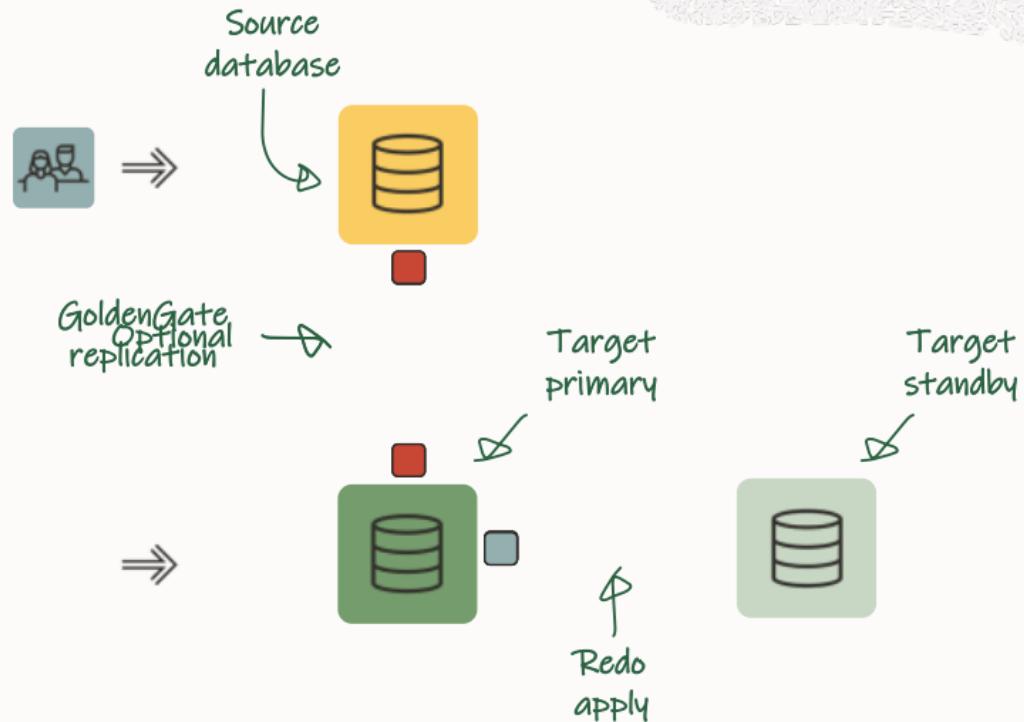


Your target database must
be protected by Data Guard?



After the initial load on the target database,
start building your Data Guard

GoldenGate | Data Guard



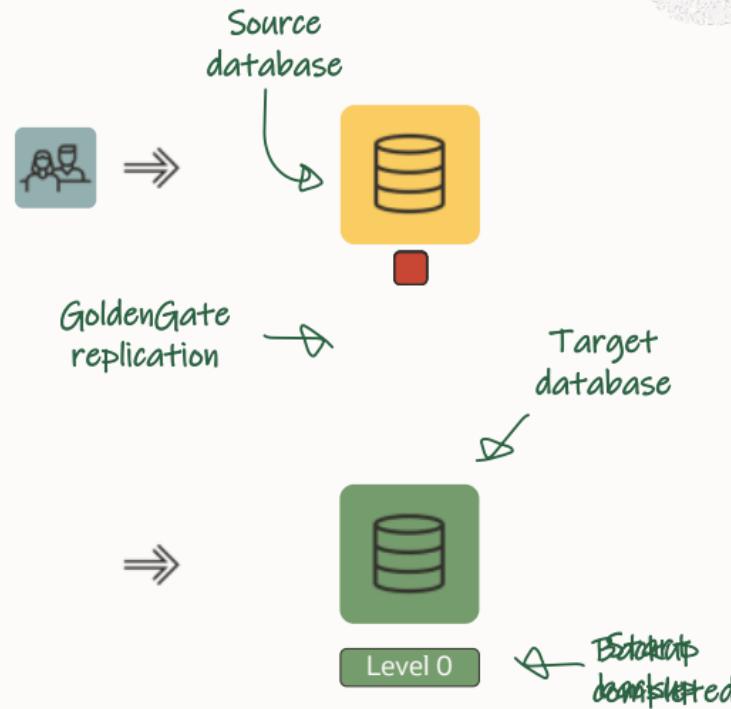


Your target database must
have a valid backup before go-live?



Perform and verify your backups
after initial load, but before switchover

GoldenGate | Backup





Your target database must be RAC?

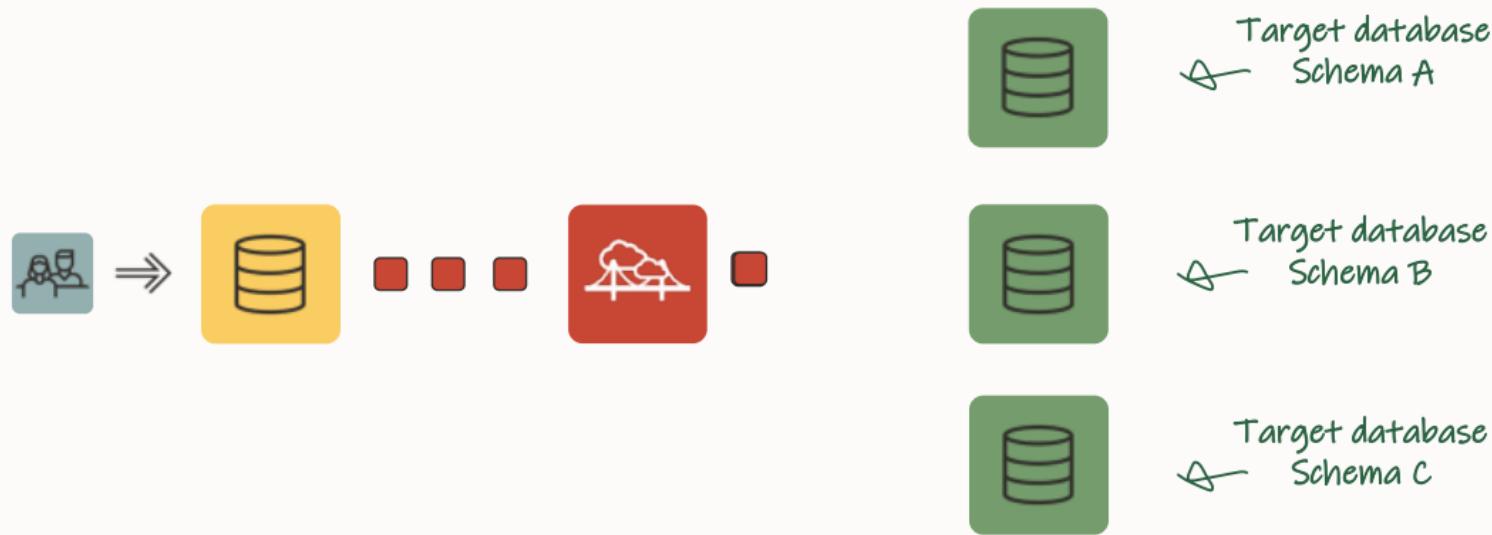


No problem, GoldenGate can extract from and replicate to a RAC database



How about schema isolation?

GoldenGate | Schema Isolation



GoldenGate | Customization

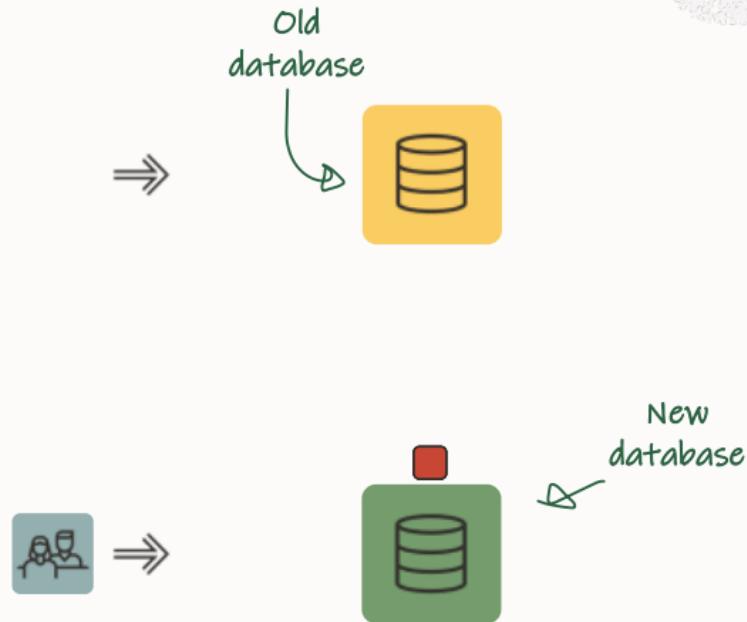
You can customize the target schema even more:

- Replicate from schema A in source to schema B in target (schema rename)
- Replicate data from non-partitioned to partitioned table
- Replicate from one character set to another
- Replicate from fragmented table to compacted table

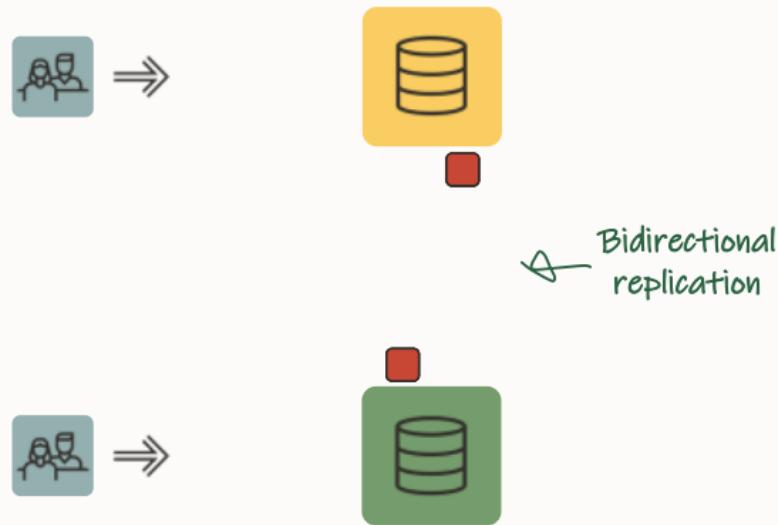


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GoldenGate | Fallback



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OCI GoldenGate | Cloud Native

New Cloud Native service: **OCI GoldenGate**

Runs GoldenGate 21c, **managed** by Oracle

Auto-scale: true cloud elasticity, low operations cost

Very **attractive** pricing

Supports:

- Oracle Database 11.2.0.4 and higher



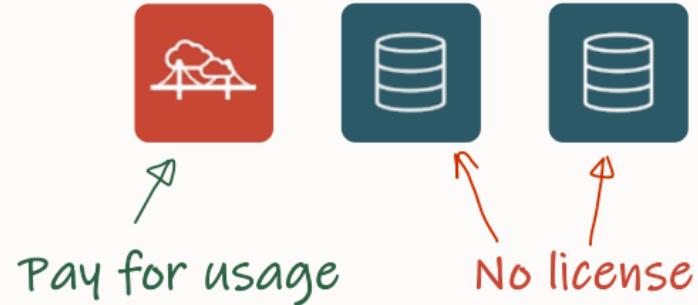
Pro Tip: Watch a short intro on [YouTube](#)

OCI GoldenGate | Pricing

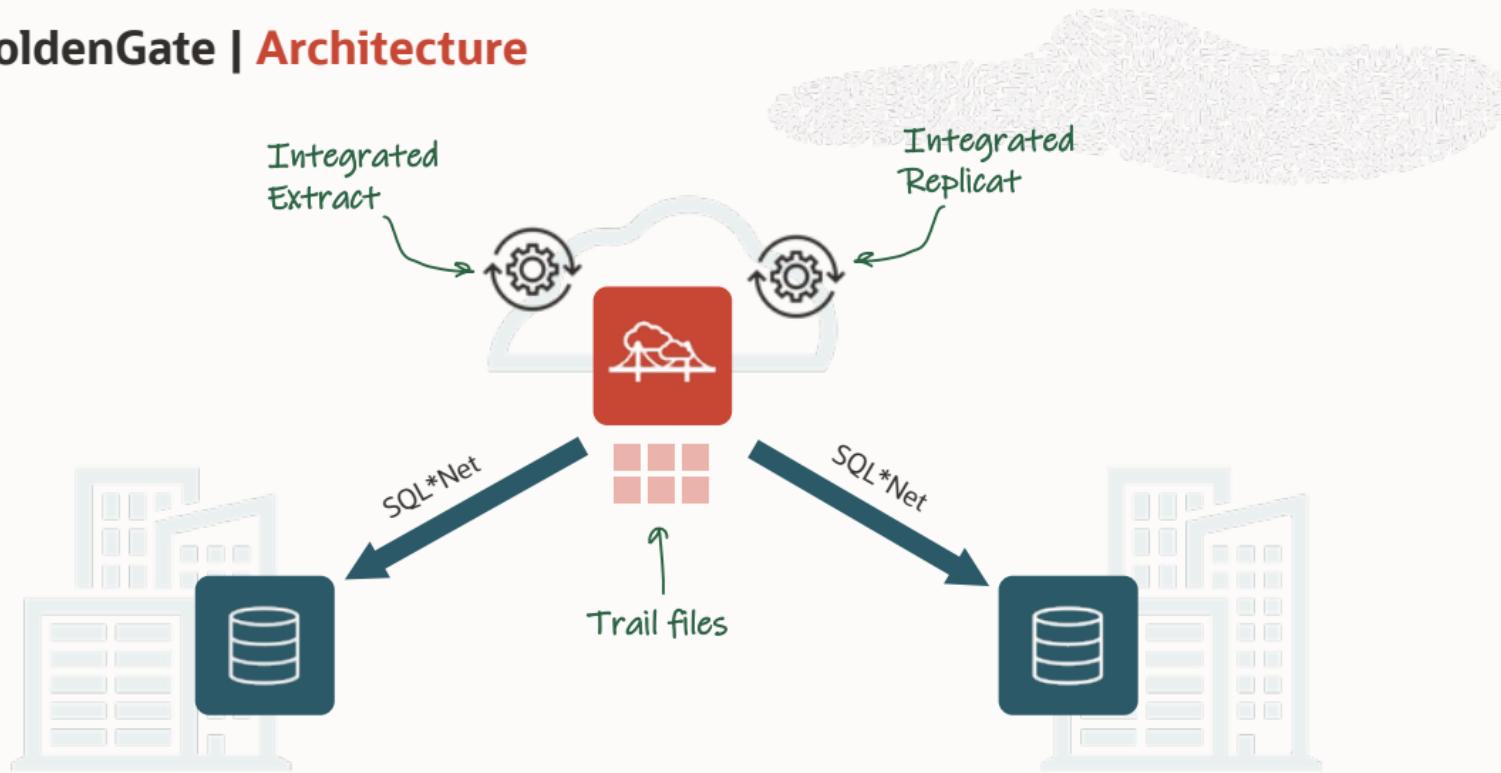
Traditional



OCI GoldenGate



OCI GoldenGate | Architecture



OCI GoldenGate | Overview



	GoldenGate	GG OCI Marketplace	OCI GoldenGate
Solution Management			
Create and Manage GoldenGate Deployments		<----- customer responsibility ----->	
Platform Services			
Oracle Cloud Automations			
Automatic Scaling (up to 3x)			
OCI Monitoring / Service Telemetry	Not Available	Not Available	
Metering and Billing per second			
Full REST API for Control Plane and Data Plane			
Disaster Recovery, Backup and Restore			
Upgrades and Patching			
Private Endpoints and Secure Vault			
Wallet Integration w/Autonomous DB			
Operating System Administration			
Infrastructure Management			
Virtualization & Terraform Stack Automation			
Install / Rapid Provisioning			
Server Administration	Customer Provided	Oracle Provided	Oracle Provided
Storage and Durability Guarantees			
Core Networking			

OCI GoldenGate | Cloud Native

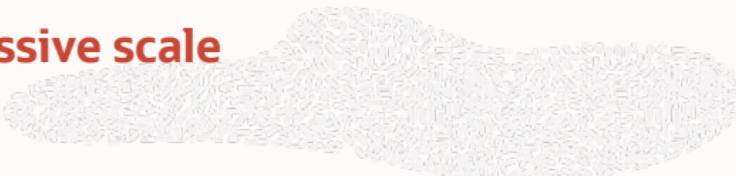


The screenshot shows the Oracle Cloud dashboard with the following elements:

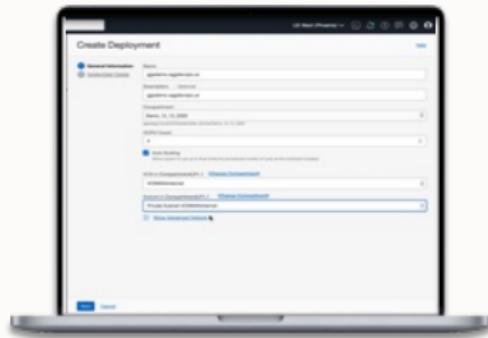
- Header:** Oracle Cloud, Applications >, Germany Central (Frankfurt), search bar, notifications, and user profile.
- Left Sidebar:** Get Started (selected), Dashboard.
- Quick Actions (Compute):**
 - Create a VM instance (2-6 mins)
- Quick Actions (Autonomous Transaction Processing):**
 - Create an ATP database (3-5 mins)
- Quick Actions (Autonomous Data Warehouse):**
 - Create an ADW database (3-5 mins)
- Quick Actions (Networking):**
 - Set up a network with a wizard (2-3 mins)
- Quick Actions (Resource Manager):**
 - Create a stack
- Quick Actions (Object Storage):**
 - Store data
- System Status:** All systems operational, View health dashboard.
- Mobile App:** Install the OCI Mobile app, Learn more.
- Account Center:**
 - User Management: Add a user to your tenancy
- Billing:**
 - Current billing cycle charges: \$0.00
 - Days elapsed in billing cycle: 29 / 31
 - Analyze costs
 - Manage payment method
- What's New:**

[Watch on YouTube](#)

OCI GoldenGate | Start small, grow to massive scale



Get started for
\$1.34 per OCPU per hour



Try it for free:

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GoldenGate moves
petabytes of real-time
data per day at Web scale

84%
of Fortune 100
use GoldenGate

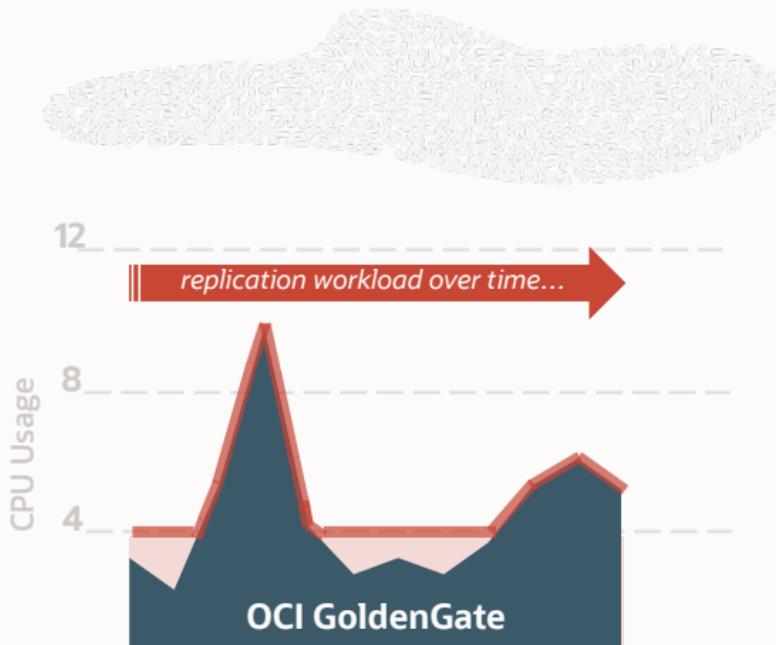
OCI GoldenGate | Auto scaling

Same experience as Autonomous Database

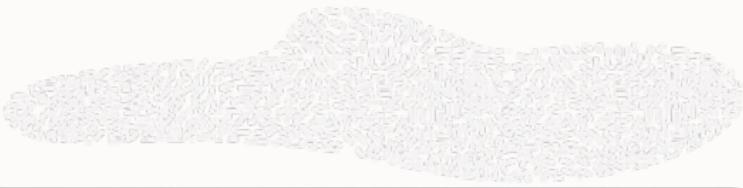
- Choose a base size
- Turn on auto scale feature
- Automatic 3x scaling factor

Pay only for what you use

- Scaling happens online / no downtime
- Per-second billing



OCI GoldenGate | Recommended sizing



Development / Trials

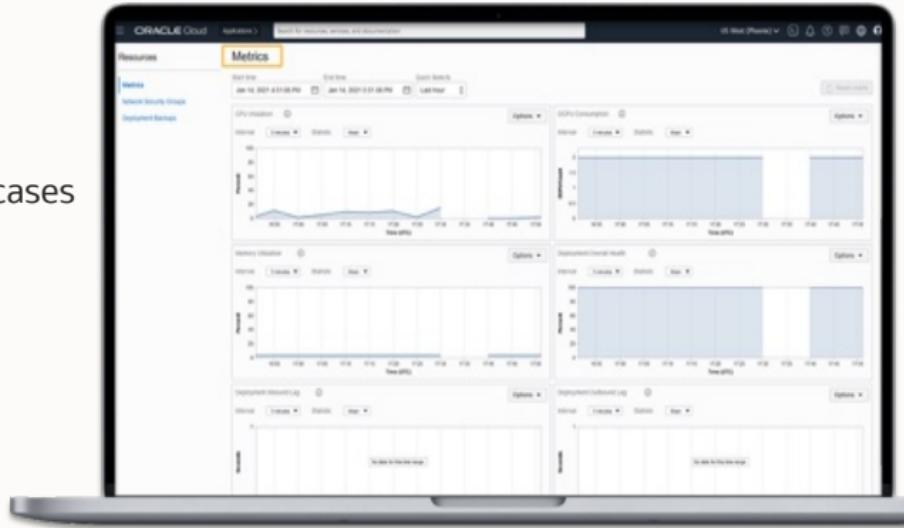
- Start with 1 OCPU and Auto-scale on

Typical production use cases

- 4 OCPU with Auto-scale, covers 80% of use cases
- YMMV – can cover >60GB/hr of DB Redo

Extreme scale and performance

- 8 OCPU with Auto-scale to 24 OCPU
- Up to:
 - 24 GB of memory
 - 24 Gbps network
 - 6TB of storage



Easily manage OCI-GG deployments from your console

OCI GoldenGate and on-prem databases?

Probably not ...

Unless you have a **lightning-fast** connection
and your database is **physically close** to OCI

OCI GoldenGate | Network recommendations



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GoldenGate | Additional Resources

Certifications

[GoldenGate 19.1: Using Oracle GoldenGate on Oracle Cloud Marketplace](#)

[OCI Marketplace: Oracle GoldenGate for Oracle](#)

[Oracle GoldenGate Best Practices: Instantiation from an Oracle Source Database \(Doc ID 1276058.1\)](#)

[Effects of ADD TRANDATA and ADD SCHEMATRANDATA on an Oracle databases' Supplemental Logging \(Doc ID 2070331.1\)](#)

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Migration with Oracle GoldenGate

Amadeus
OOW Presentation 2012

Customer Case | Amadeus

Customer	Amadeus is a leading transaction processor for the global travel and tourism industry
Project 2012	
Constraints	
Preparation	
Migration	
Success?	
Remarks	



DISTRIBUTION BUSINESS

711 airlines
110,000+ hotel properties
30 car rental companies
50+ cruise and ferry lines
207 tour operators
24 insurance companies
95 railways



IT SOLUTIONS

Inventory
Departure Control
e-Commerce

Airlines
Airports
Hotels
Rail



20,000+ tx/sec (peak)
< 0.3 sec response time
10 Petabytes of storage
3+ million net bookings/day
> 1 billion tx/day

* All numbers are from 2012



Customer Case | Amadeus

Customer	Migrate Oracle 10g production databases to Oracle 11g	
Project 2012	Migrate to new HW and/or OS platform	
Constraints	Source	Target
Preparation	Oracle 10.2.0.3	Oracle 11.2.0.2/3
Migration	RAC	RAC
Success?	HPUX v2	HPUX v3
Remarks		Oracle 11.2.0.2/3
		RAC
		RHE Linux
	Oracle 10.2.0.3	Oracle 11.2.0.2/3
	Single Instance	RAC One
	HPUX v2	RHE Linux

Customer Case | Amadeus

Customer	Fixed quarterly outage windows
Project 2012	Maximum of 5 minutes database downtime
Constraints	No service impact outside the outage window
Preparation	Endian change: HP-UX \Rightarrow to Linux (big \Rightarrow little endian)
Migration	Possibility of fallback during and after the outage
Success?	High volume of DB changes (redo of up to 20MB/sec)
Remarks	Large database sizes (up to 14TB)
	Possibility for physical re-organization <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Fresh data dictionary- Tablespace and partitioning redesign

Customer Case | Amadeus

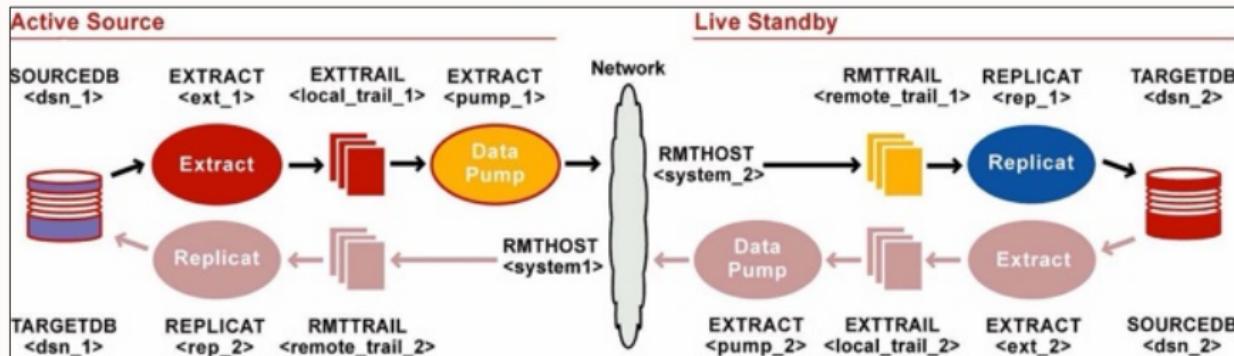
Customer	In-depth proof of concept (supported by Oracle)
Project 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Focusing on functional aspects• Focusing on data volume
Constraints	Standardized migration process model with timeline
Preparation	Home-made scripts and procedures to support setup, monitoring, tuning and switch over
Migration	Training of in-house specialist supporting the DBAs
Success?	
Remarks	

Customer Case | Amadeus

Customer
Project 2012
Constraints
Preparation
Migration

Success?
Remarks

Instantiation of new 11g database: expdp from Physical Standby
Installation, configuration, tuning of GG replication



Comparison of source/target DB content (**Veridata**)

Rehearsals of switch over and fallback

Switch over: Stop replication / Start reverse-replication

Customer Case | Amadeus

Customer	15 databases successfully migrated in phase 1 (Oct 2012)														
Project 2012	<table><thead><tr><th>Source</th><th>Target</th><th>Migrated</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>Oracle 10.2.0.3 RAC HPUX v2</td><td>Oracle 11.2.0.2/3 RAC HPUX v3</td><td>6 ✓</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>Oracle 11.2.0.2/3 RAC RHE Linux</td><td>3 ✓</td></tr><tr><td>Oracle 10.2.0.3 Single Instance HPUX v2</td><td>Oracle 11.2.0.2/3 RAC One RHE Linux</td><td>6 ✓</td></tr></tbody></table>			Source	Target	Migrated	Oracle 10.2.0.3 RAC HPUX v2	Oracle 11.2.0.2/3 RAC HPUX v3	6 ✓		Oracle 11.2.0.2/3 RAC RHE Linux	3 ✓	Oracle 10.2.0.3 Single Instance HPUX v2	Oracle 11.2.0.2/3 RAC One RHE Linux	6 ✓
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Constraints															
Preparation															
Migration															
Success?															
Remarks	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Switchover duration: 2-6 minutes• No fallback performed														

Customer Case | Amadeus

Customer	The concept proved to handle a smooth and secure migration across different DB versions and HW/OS platforms
Project 2012	
Constraints	To be considered ...
Preparation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Instantiation of target database (incl. Plan Stability)• Customized GG setup per database• Handling of unsupported data types (e.g., ANYDATA)• Impact of supplemental logging on source DB• Effort of tuning GG for DBs with high DML rate (e.g., parallel replicate processes)
Migration	
Success?	
Remarks	

Oracle GoldenGate | Further Information

WP: Zero Downtime Database Upgrade Using Oracle GoldenGate

<https://www.oracle.com/technetwork/middleware/goldengate/overview/ggzerodowntimedatabaseupgrades-174928.pdf>

MOS Note: 1448324.1

GoldenGate Integrated Capture and Integrated Replicat Healthcheck Script

MOS Note: 2193391.1

Latest GoldenGate/Database (OGG/RDBMS) Patch recommendations

Complete Database Profile OGG readiness check

- MOS Note:1298562.1:

Oracle GoldenGate database Complete Database Profile check script for Oracle DB (All Schemas)
Classic Extract

Check OGG readiness for Schema Only

- MOS Note: 1296168.1

Oracle GoldenGate database Schema Profile check script for Oracle DB

Oracle Streams | **Desupport**

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Starting in Oracle Database 19c (19.1), Oracle Streams is desupported. Oracle GoldenGate is the replication solution for Oracle Database.

[Database 19c Upgrade Guide](#)

- Oracle Database Advanced Queuing is not deprecated
- Fully supported in Oracle Database 19c

Oracle Streams | GoldenGate Migration

How to migrate from Streams to GoldenGate

[Oracle Streams to Oracle GoldenGate Conversion
\(Doc ID 1383303.1\)](#)

[Oracle Streams to GoldenGate Migration Utility
\(Doc ID 1912338.1\)](#)

Oracle Streams to GoldenGate Migration Utility (Doc ID 1912338.1)

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APPLIES TO:

Oracle Database - Enterprise Edition - Version 11.2.0.4 and later

Oracle GoldenGate - Version 12.1.2.0.0 and later

Oracle Database Cloud Schema Service - Version N/A and later

Oracle Database Exadata Cloud Machine - Version N/A and later

Oracle Cloud Infrastructure - Database Service - Version N/A and later

Information in this document applies to any platform.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this article is to discuss The Oracle Streams to Oracle GoldenGate Migration Utility.



Summary

Further Information



Different MIGRATION techniques

	Data Pump	Data Guard	Transient Logical Standby	RMAN duplicate	RMAN Incr.	TTS	FTEX	FTEX Incr.	Golden Gate
Simplicity	Simple	Simple	Complex	Simple	Simple	Complex	Moderate	Moderate	Complex
Downtime	Significant	Near Zero	Near Zero	Significant	Low	Significant	Significant	Low	Zero
Version Change	+		+			+	+	+	+
Same-Endianness OS Change	+	(+)	(+)	(+)	(+)	+	+	+	+
Big/Little Endianness OS Change	+					+	+	+	+
Same Hardware	+	+		+	+	+	+	+	+
Hardware Exchange	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
non-CDB to CDB/PDB	+					+	+	+	+
Encrypt	+	+	+	+	+				+
Fallback After Go-Live / Upgrade	+								+
Character Set Change	+								+

Migration | Keep It Simple



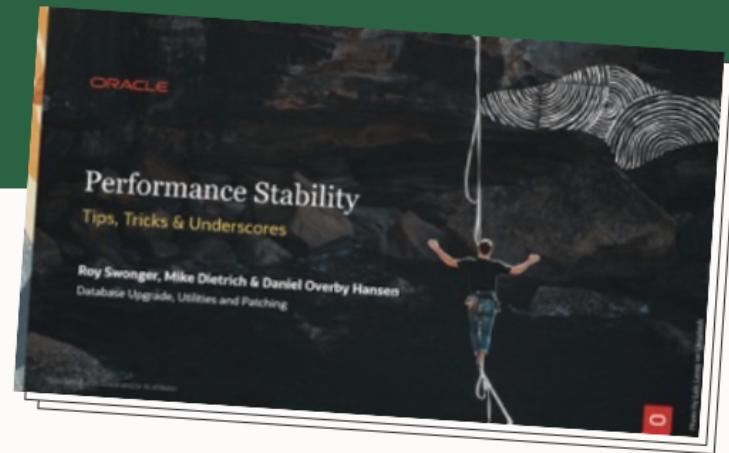
Performance Stability | After Migration

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Spatial and Graph + Machine Learning

Oracle Spatial and Graph (OSG) included with Oracle Database

Oracle Machine Learning (Advanced Analytics) include as well

- Since Dec 5, 2019
- Valid for all editions, includes Enterprise Edition, SE2 and DBCS
- Applies to all database versions back to Oracle 11.2.0.4
- <https://mikedietrichde.com/2019/12/06/great-license-news-spatial-and-graph-machine-learning/>

Extended VARCHAR2

Extended VARCHAR2 | Overview

NEW IN
12.1

Available since Oracle 12.1

Requires COMPATIBLE=12.1.0 or higher

Needs to be turned on explicitly

VARCHAR2 and NVARCHAR2 columns can fit up to 32k bytes

- Allows length >4000 byte

Irreversible

Parameter:

- `MAX_STRING_SIZE=EXTENDED`
- Can be used on PDB level

Extended VARCHAR2 | How to?

NEW IN
12.1

Step by step:

```
ALTER SYSTEM set MAX_STRING_SIZE=EXTENDED scope=SPFILE;
```

```
SHUTDOWN IMMEDIATE
STARTUP UPGRADE
```

```
@?/rdbms/admin/utl32k.sql
```

```
SHUTDOWN IMMEDIATE
STARTUP
```

```
CREATE TABLE applicants
  (id          NUMBER GENERATED AS IDENTITY,
   first_name  VARCHAR2(30),
   last_name   VARCHAR2(30),
   application DATE,
   cv          VARCHAR2(32767)
);
```

Extended VARCHAR2 | The Fine Print

NEW IN
12.1

Caution!

- For new tables:
 - Up to **3964** bytes will be stored in a regular VARCHAR2
 - Above this limit, data will be stored in an **inline SecureFile LOB**
 - See: <http://www.ludovicocaldara.net/dba/extended-data-types-storage/>
 - `_scalar_type_lob_storage_threshold=4000` by default
 - **Inline SecureFile LOBs does not support NOLOGGING**
- For existing tables:
 - Row chaining
 - Workaround: `DBMS_REDEFINITION` or Online Table Move

Extended VARCHAR2 | The Fine Print

NEW IN
12.1

Performance

- Extended VARCHAR2 can save roundtrips
- See: <https://blog.dbi-services.com/12c-extended-datatypes-better-than-clob/>

```
SELECT * FROM TEST_CLOB_COLUMN;

Statistics
-----
5 recursive calls
0 db block gets
136 consistent gets
80 physical reads
0 redo size
16310 bytes sent via SQL*Net to client
11890 bytes received via SQL*Net from client
52 SQL*Net roundtrips to/from client
0 sorts (memory)
0 sorts (disk)
10 rows processed
```

```
SELECT * FROM TEST_VARCHAR2_9000;

Statistics
-----
4 recursive calls
0 db block gets
28 consistent gets
0 physical reads
0 redo size
90721 bytes sent via SQL*Net to client
380 bytes received via SQL*Net from client
2 SQL*Net roundtrips to/from client
0 sorts (memory)
0 sorts (disk)
10 rows processed
```

Potential pitfall

- COMPATIBLE < 19.0.0
 - SecureFile LOB requires at least 16 blocks in an extent
- COMPATIBLE \geq 19.0.0
 - SecureFile LOB requires at least 32 blocks in an extent

Example:

- DB_BLOCK_SIZE: 16K
- Tablespace uniform extent size: 128k
 - ➔ One extent contains only 8 blocks
 - ➔ No SecureFile LOB can be created

Online Data File Move

Online Data File Move | Overview

NEW IN
12.1

Rename:

```
SQL> ALTER DATABASE
      MOVE DATAFILE '/u01/oracle/rbdb1/user1.dbf'
      TO          '/u01/oracle/rbdb1/user01.dbf';
```

Relocate to ASM:

```
SQL> ALTER DATABASE
      MOVE DATAFILE '/u01/oracle/rbdb1/user1.dbf'
      TO          '+DATA';
```

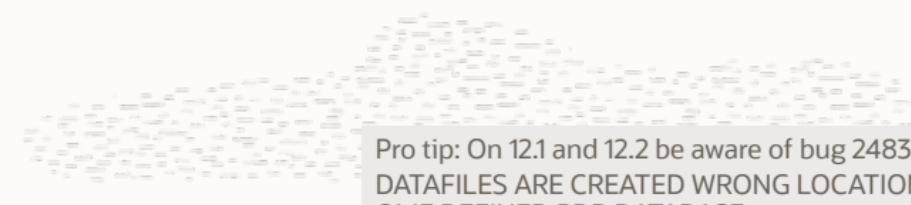
Pro tip: Works for SYSTEM, UNDO and SYSAUX as well.

Online Data File Move | Overview

NEW IN
12.1

Generate OMF name:

```
SQL> ALTER DATABASE
      MOVE DATAFILE 12;
```



Pro tip: On 12.1 and 12.2 be aware of bug 24836489:
DATAFILES ARE CREATED WRONG LOCATION IN
OMF DEFINED PDB DATABASE

Only works for data files that belong to the current container

Data file is copied block-by-block

- Physical file size remains the same
- High Water Mark is not affected

Documentation: [Concept](#) and [syntax](#)

Online Data File Move | **Demo**

```
SQL>  
SQL> |
```

[Watch on YouTube](#)

Online Table Move

Online Table Move | Overview

NEW IN
12.2

Move table:

```
SQL> alter table lots_of_data move online tablespace users;
```

In parallel:

```
SQL> alter table lots_of_data move online tablespace users parallel 4;
```



Pro tip: Requires a short lock at the end of the operation

Online Table Move | Overview

NEW IN
12.2

Indexes remain VALID during and after online move

Optionally, change index as well:

```
SQL> alter table lots_of_data
      move online tablespace users
      update indexes(i1 tablespace users);
```



Pro tip: You can also move IOTs online, but not partitioned IOTs

Online Table Move | Overview

NEW IN
12.2

To also move LOB segments:

```
SQL> alter table lots_of_data
      move online tablespace users
      lob(clob1) store as (tablespace users);
```



Pro tip: Unused columns are preserved during a move operation

Online Table Move | Overview

NEW IN
12.2

Compress:

```
SQL> alter table lots_of_data
      move online tablespace users
      row store compress advanced;
```

Uncompress:

```
SQL> alter table lots_of_data
      move online tablespace users
      nocompress;
```

Documentation: [Syntax](#)

Pro tip: You can also move individual partitions of a partitioned table

Online Table Move | Overview

NEW IN
12.2

Caution:

- Move invalidates statistics
- ROWIDs change
- Free space needed



Online Table Move | Demo

```
SQL>  
SQL>
```

[Watch on YouTube](#)

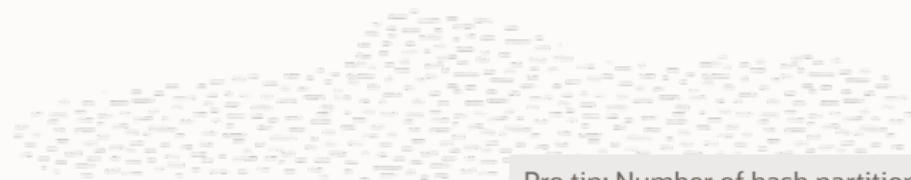
Online Convert to Partitioned Table | Overview

NEW IN
12.2

Convert:

```
SQL> alter table lots_of_data
  modify partition by hash (object_id) partitions 8
  online
  update indexes (i_lots_of_data global);
```

Does not work for an already partitioned table



Pro tip: Number of hash partitions
should always be power of 2

Documentation: [Syntax](#) and [partition options](#)

Online Convert to Partitioned Table | **Demo**

```
SQL>  
SQL>
```

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DBMS_REDEFINITION

DBMS_REDEFINITION | Concept

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You can redefine tables online with the DBMS_REDEFINITION package.

*... it is accessible to both queries and DML during much of the redefinition process.
Typically, the table is locked in the exclusive mode only during a very small window ...*

[Database 19c Administrator's Guide](#)

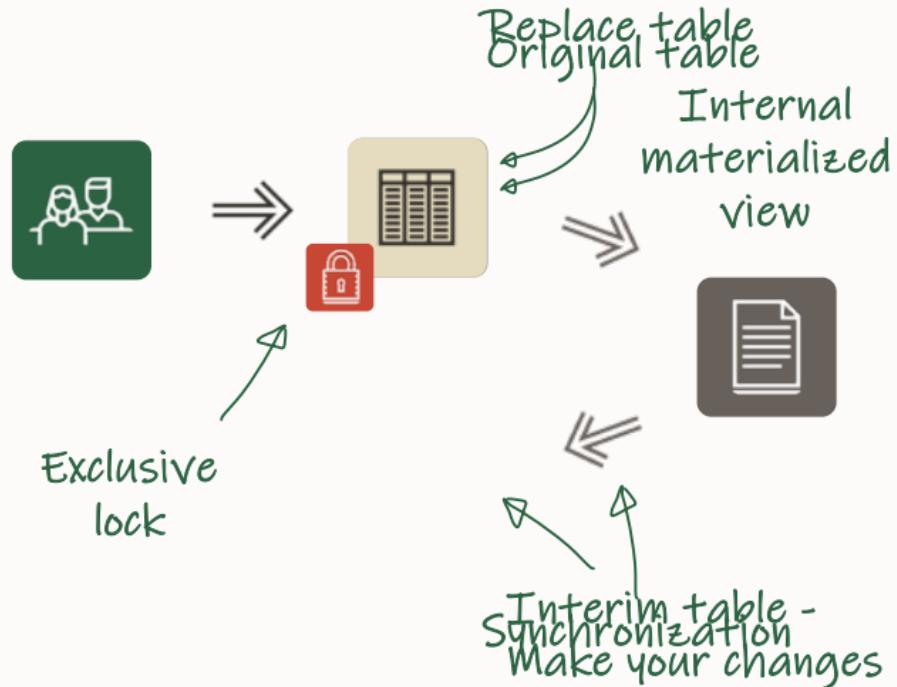
- Lock duration independent of table size
- Requires Enterprise Edition
- Use for bulk updates as well

DBMS_REDEFINITION | Use Cases

Some of the use cases:

- Convert BasicFile LOBs to SecureFile LOBs
- Modify the storage parameters of a table
- Add, modify, or drop one or more columns
- Add or drop partitioning support
- Change partition structure
- Convert to IOT (or reverse)
- Add attribute clustering to a table
- Optimized bulk updates
- ... plus, more in the [documentation](#)

DBMS_REDEFINITION | Concept



DBMS_REDEFINITION | Benefits



In case of failures the redefinition process is often resumable

Pro tip: For more information about restarting, check the [documentation](#)

DBMS_REDEFINITION | Benefits



You can roll back the redefinition process, even after it has successfully completed

Pro tip: Rollbacks are described in detail in the [documentation](#)

DBMS_REDEFINITION | Considerations



Requires space to hold a copy of the table

DBMS_REDEFINITION | Considerations



Increased redo generation affects
Fast Recovery Area, backups and standby redo apply

DBMS_REDEFINITION | Example

```
SQL> exec dbms_redefinition.can_redef_table( ...
```

DBMS_REDEFINITION | Example

```
SQL> exec dbms_redefinition.can_redef_table( ...
SQL> create table interim_table ( ...
```

Pro tip: Use DBMS_METADATA.GET_DDL to create the interim table

DBMS_REDEFINITION | Example

```
SQL> exec dbms_redefinition.can_redef_table( ...
SQL> create table interim_table ( ...
SQL> exec dbms_redefinition.start_redef_table( ...
```

Pro tip: Speed up this step by enabling parallel query and DML in the session

DBMS_REDEFINITION | Example

```
SQL> exec dbms_redefinition.can_redef_table( ...
SQL> create table interim_table ( ...
SQL> exec dbms_redefinition.start_redef_table( ...
SQL> exec dbms_redefinition.sync_interim_table( ...
```

Pro tip: The more you run this procedure, the less time the final lock will need

DBMS_REDEFINITION | Example

```
SQL> exec dbms_redefinition.can_redef_table( ...
SQL> create table interim_table ( ...
SQL> exec dbms_redefinition.start_redef_table( ...
SQL> exec dbms_redefinition.sync_interim_table( ...
SQL> exec dbms_redefinition.copy_table_dependents( ...
```

Pro tip: You can also do this manually

DBMS_REDEFINITION | Example

```
SQL> exec dbms_redefinition.can_redef_table( ...
SQL> create table interim_table ( ...
SQL> exec dbms_redefinition.start_redef_table( ...
SQL> exec dbms_redefinition.sync_interim_table( ...
SQL> exec dbms_redefinition.copy_table_dependents( ...
SQL> select * from dba_redefinition_errors;
```

DBMS_REDEFINITION | Example

```
SQL> exec dbms_redefinition.can_redef_table( ...
SQL> create table interim_table ( ...
SQL> exec dbms_redefinition.start_redef_table( ...
SQL> exec dbms_redefinition.sync_interim_table( ...
SQL> exec dbms_redefinition.copy_table_dependents( ...
SQL> select * from dba_redefinition_errors;
SQL> exec dbms_redefinition.finish_redef_table( ...
```

Pro tip: The original table is shortly locked during this phase

DBMS_REDEFINITION | Considerations



Statistics can be copied from source table.
Optionally, gather statistics using DBMS_STATS

DBMS_REDEFINITION | **Easy**



One button approach:
DBMS_REDEFINITION.REDEF_TABLE

DBMS_REDEFINITION | Enterprise Manager

ORACLE® Enterprise Manager Cloud Control 13c

SYSMAN ▾

Type Objects Options Impact Report Schedule Review

Reorganize Objects: Options

Pluggable Database cdb1_PDB1
Logged In As DBA_DEBRA

Schema Objects 1

Cancel Back Step 3 of 6 Next

Method

Some object types can be reorganized online. With an online reorganization the objects have higher availability but the reorganization is slower. Do you want the reorganization to favor speed or availability?

Speed (offline) - object availability is not a concern
 Availability (online) - object availability is important
 Use ROWID method - adds a hidden column to tables

Scratch Tablespace

Reorganizations are performed inside the database and require sufficient free space. The scratch tablespace is used for intermediate storage of objects during reorganization.

Use current tablespace

Use scratch tablespace

Hide Advanced Options

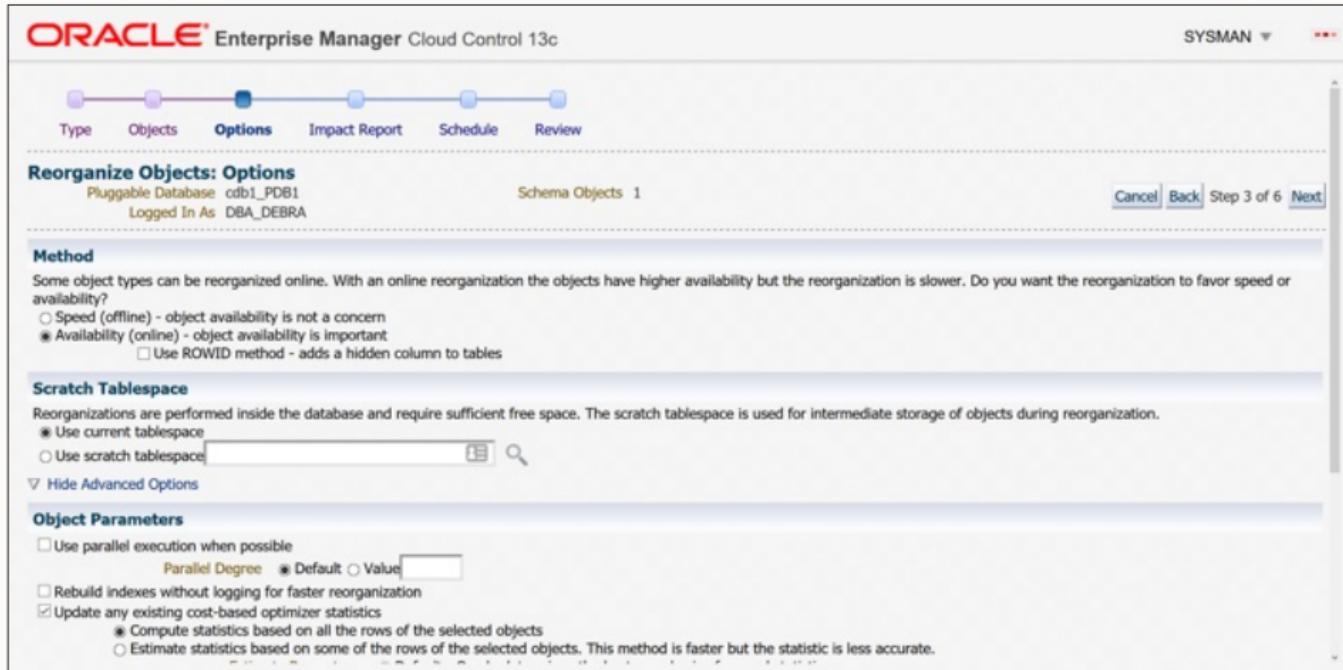
Object Parameters

Use parallel execution when possible
Parallel Degree Default Value

Rebuild indexes without logging for faster reorganization

Update any existing cost-based optimizer statistics

Compute statistics based on all the rows of the selected objects
 Estimate statistics based on some of the rows of the selected objects. This method is faster but the statistic is less accurate.



DBMS_REDEFINITION | Nice To Know

Documentation:

- [Redefining Tables Online, Database Administrator's Guide 19c](#)

Views:

- V\$ONLINE_REDEF
- DBA_REDEFINITION_STATUS

Installation & Patching

OUI | Install and Patch at the same time

NEW IN
18c

Since Oracle 18c, you can install and patch at the same time

- For GI homes

```
$ mkdir /u01/app/grid/1990
$ cd /u01/app/grid/1990

$ unzip LINUX.X64_193000_grid_home.zip
$ unzip p31750108_19000_Linux_x86-64.zip

$ ./gridSetup -applyRU 31750108
```

OUI | Install and Patch at the same time

NEW IN
18c

Since Oracle 18c, you can install and patch at the same time

- For DB homes

```
$ mkdir /u01/app/oracle/product/1990
$ cd /u01/app/oracle/product/1990

$ unzip LINUX.X64_193000_db_home.zip
$ unzip -d p31771877_190000_Linux-x86-64.zip /u01/app/oracle/product/1990/patch

$ ./runInstaller -applyRU patch/31771877
```

OUI | Install and Patch at the same time

NEW IN
18c

Apply multiple one-off patches in addition

- For DB homes

```
$ ./runInstaller -applyRU patch/30899722 -applyOneOffs x/30805684,y/30524762
```

- With multiple patches, you need to separate the subdirectories as otherwise the patch xml file gets overwritten and patches won't be found
- Unfortunately, this feature hasn't been implemented on MS Windows yet

Read Only Oracle Homes | Overview

Simple and easy cloning and provisioning
Configuration and log files stay outside \$OH
Documentation:

- <https://docs.oracle.com/en/database/oracle/oracle-database/19/ldabt/configuring-read-only-oracle-homes.html#GUID-906DA159-AC83-4ACC-A8A6-5B4A39EB72E1>

NEW IN
18c

Database / Oracle / Oracle Database / Release 19

Database Installation Guide for Linux

D Configuring Read-Only Oracle Homes



Understand how read-only Oracle homes work and how you can configure read-only Oracle homes.

Understanding Read-Only Oracle Homes

Learn about read-only Oracle home concepts like Oracle base home, Oracle base config, and orabasetab.

Enabling a Read-Only Oracle Home

Configure your Oracle home as a read-only Oracle home after you have performed a software-only Oracle Database installation.

Copying demo Directories to Oracle Base Home

In a read-only mode ORACLE_HOME, you must copy the `demo` directories listed in this topic from ORACLE_HOME to ORACLE_BASE_HOME.

Determining if an Oracle Home is Read-Only

Run the `orabasehome` command to determine if your Oracle home is a read/write or read-only Oracle home.

File Path and Directory Changes in Read-Only Oracle Homes

Examples of hierarchical file mappings in a read-only Oracle home as compared to a read/write Oracle home.

Read Only Oracle Homes | Configuration



Setup

1. Install as usual

```
2. $ORACLE_HOME/bin/roohctl -enable
```

Documentation:

- <https://docs.oracle.com/en/database/oracle/oracle-database/19/ladbi/configuring-read-only-oracle-homes.html#GUID-906DA159-AC83-4ACC-A8A6-5B4A39EB72E1>

```
[oracle@hol ~]$ cd /u01/app/oracle/product/ROOH19/  
[oracle@hol ROOH19]$ cd bin
```

```
[oracle@hol bin]$ ./roohctl -enable
```

Enabling Read-Only Oracle home.

Update orabasetab file to enable Read-Only Oracle home.

Orabasetab file has been updated successfully.

Create bootstrap directories for Read-Only Oracle home.

Bootstrap directories have been created successfully.

Bootstrap files have been processed successfully.

Read-Only Oracle home has been enabled successfully.

Check the log file

/u01/app/oracle/cfgtoollogs/roohctl/roohctl-201124PM045139.log for more details.

Read Only Oracle Homes | **Demo**



```
oracle@hol:/u01/app/oracle/product
oracle@hol:/u01/app/oracle/product
[CDB2] oracle@hol:/u01/app/oracle/product
$
```

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Read Only Oracle Homes | **Directories**



Important directories

```
cd $(orabaseconfig)  
/u01/app/oracle
```

```
cd $(orabasehome)  
/u01/app/oracle/homes/OraDB19Home2
```

Read Only Oracle Homes | Directory Structure



```
$ tree -a ${orabaseconfig}/dbs
```

```
/u01/app/oracle/dbs
├── hc_ROOH19.dat
├── initROOH19.ora
├── 1kROOH19
├── orapwROOH19
└── spfileROOH19.ora
```

```
$ tree -a -d ${orabasehome}
/u01/app/oracle/homes/OraDB19Home2
├── assistants
│   └── dbca
│       └── templates
├── dbs
├── install
├── network
│   ├── admin
│   ├── log
│   └── trace
└── rdbms
    ├── audit
    ├── log
    └── opatch
        └── lsinv
```

Long Identifiers

Be careful when you tell developers about it ... 😂

Long Identifiers | Overview

NEW IN
12.2

Standard since Oracle 12.2.0.1

You can't turn it off when COMPATIBLE=12.2.0 or higher

Everything can be named now up to 128 bytes length

Exception:

- 8 bytes or less:
 - Database name
- 30 bytes or less
 - Tablespace
 - Disk group
 - PDB
 - Rollback segment

```
create table
MY_NEW_TABLE_GETS_NOW_AN_EXTRA_LONG_NAME_BECAUSE_I_CAN
(
  BUT_THIS_WORKS_WITH_COLUMNS_FOR_SURE_TOO varchar2(16000),
  AND_BELIEVE_ME_THIS_FEATURE_WILL_BE_USED_ASAP  number(3)
)
;
```

You can't turn it off!

Exchanging data to lower version database can be a problem

- Data Pump
 - With or without VERSION

```
Connected to: Oracle Database 19c Enterprise Edition Release 19.0.0.0.0 - Production
```

```
Warning: Oracle Data Pump is exporting from a database that supports long
identifiers to a version that does not support long identifiers.
```

```
ORA-39373: cannot export TABLE_DATA:"SYSTEM"."T123456789012345678901234567890" to
version 12.1 due to long identifiers
```

- <https://mikedietrichde.com/2018/07/09/export-with-data-pump-and-long-identifiers/>
- Database links

Expression Based Parameters



Numeric operation:

```
SQL> alter system set cpu_count='8/2' scope=both;
```

Other parameters:

```
SQL> alter system set sga_target=sga_max_size scope=both;
```

Combination:

```
SQL> alter system set shared_pool_size='sga_target*0.2' scope=both;
```

Min/max - and override operator precedence:

```
SQL> alter system set shared_pool_size='max(8000M, (sga_target-5000M)*0.2)';
```

Environment variable:

```
SQL> alter system set cpu_count='$NUMBER_OF_PROCESSORS/2';
```

Documentation: [Syntax](#)



Pro tip: Applies to ALTER SESSION commands as well

PFile:

```
*.cpu_count=(${NUMBER_OF_PROCESSORS} / 2)
*.aq_tm_processes=MIN(40, PROCESSES*0.1)
*.job_queue_processes=processes
```

Documentation: [Syntax](#)



Expression Based Parameters | **Demo**

```
SQL>
```

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Data Guard

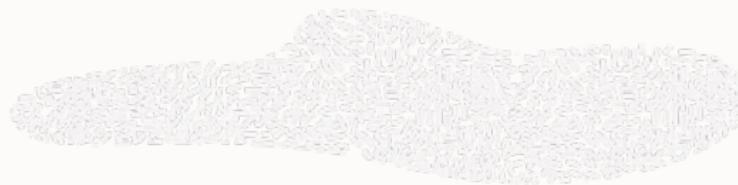
Data Guard | Overview

NEW IN
19



- Restore points are **automatically replicated** from primary to standby database
- When primary database is flashed back - standby database follows **automatically**
- DML on standby gets **redirected** to primary database (Active Data Guard)

Documentation: [Restore Point Replication](#) and [Automatic Flashback](#) and [DML redirect](#)



Restore Point Replication

Create Restore Point



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Keystore Password External Store

Keystore Password External Store | Overview

NEW IN
12.2

Instead of typing password in cleartext:

```
SQL> administer key management ... keystore identified by "S3cr3tP@00sw0rd";
SQL> --or
SQL> create pluggable database ... keystore identified by "S3cr3tP@00sw0rd";
```

Get it from the external store:

```
SQL> administer key management ... keystore identified by external store;
SQL> --or
SQL> create pluggable database ... keystore identified by external store;
```

Keystore Password External Store | Overview

NEW IN
12.2



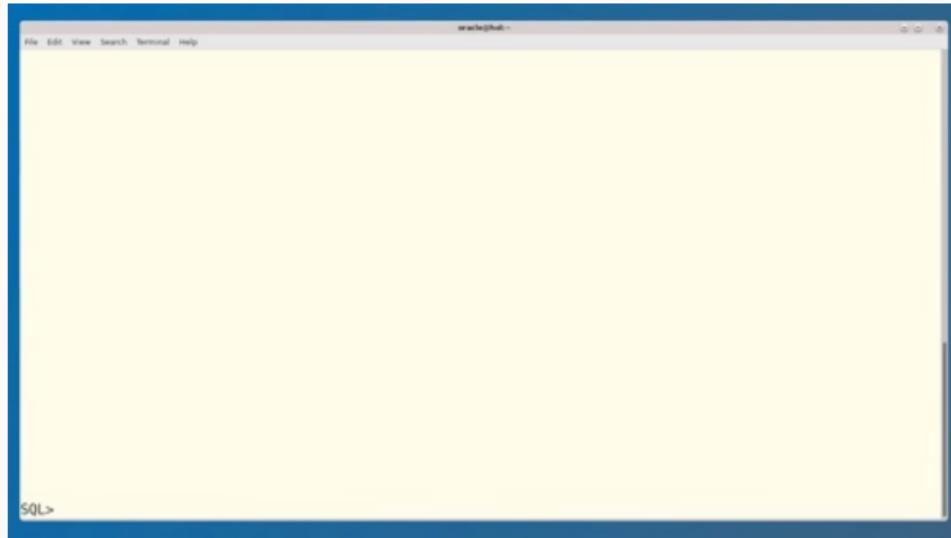
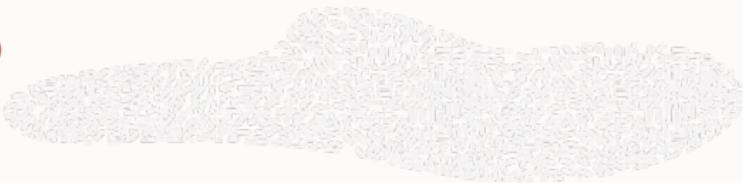
A much more secure solution:

- Supports separation of duties
- Avoid hardcoded keystore password in scripts
- Avoid typing the keystore password in cleartext in terminal

Documentation: [Concept](#)

Pro tip: Get all the details in the blog post [How to Stop Hardcoding Your TDE Keystore Password](#)

Keystore Password External Store | Demo



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Online Encryption

Online encryption of **existing** database tablespace files

- `alter tablespace <tbs> encryption online encrypt;`
- Storage overhead: 2x largest file of tbs

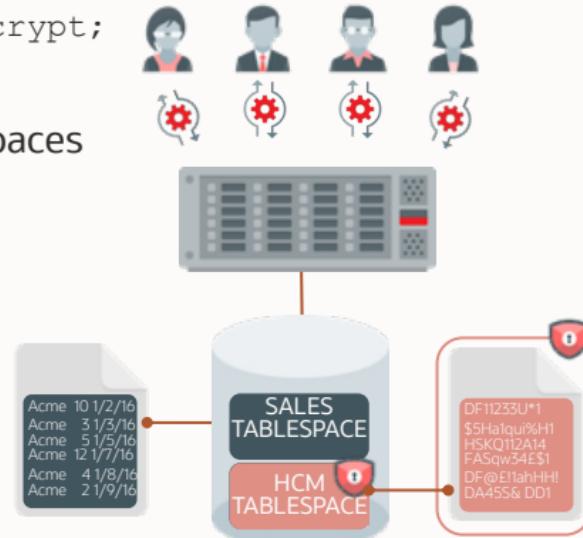
Full encryption of SYSTEM, SYSAUX, and UNDO tablespaces

- Not recommended

Offline tablespace encryption

- No storage overhead

RMAN decrypted restore with 18c



Online Encryption | Step By Step

NEW IN
12.2

1. Wallet Root Preparation

```
$ mkdir -p ${ORACLE_BASE}/admin/${ORACLE_SID}/wallet/tde
```



```
alter system set WALLET_ROOT="${ORACLE_BASE}/admin/${ORACLE_SID}/wallet" scope=spfile;  
  
shutdown  
  
startup  
  
alter system set TDE_CONFIGURATION="KEYSTORE_CONFIGURATION=FILE";
```



Online Encryption | Step By Step

NEW IN
12.2

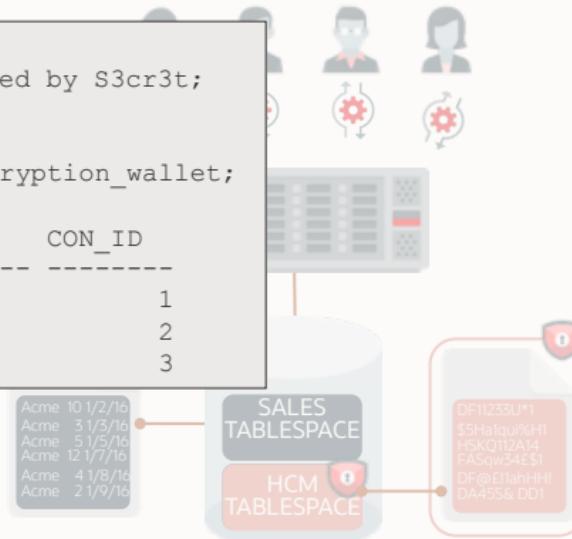
2. Create Password Protected Keystore

```
administer key management create keystore
'${ORACLE_BASE}/admin/${ORACLE_SID}/wallet/tde' identified by S3cr3t;

select WRL_TYPE, WRL_PARAMETER, STATUS, CON_ID from v$encryption_wallet;

WRL_TYPE    WRL_PARAMETER                      STATUS    CON_ID
-----  -----
FILE        /u01/app/oracle/admin/CDB2/wallet/tde/  CLOSED      1
FILE                    CLOSED                  2
FILE                    CLOSED                  3

$  ls -lrt /u01/app/oracle/admin/CDB2/wallet/tde/
-rw-----. 1 oracle dba 2555 Jan 11 23:26 ewallet.p12
```



Online Encryption | Step By Step

NEW IN
12.2

3. Open the Keystore

```
alter pluggable database all open;  
  
administer key management set keystore open force keystore identified by S3cr3t  
container=all;
```

```
select WRL_TYPE, WRL_PARAMETER, STATUS, CON_ID from v$encryption_wallet;
```

WRL_TYPE	WRL_PARAMETER	STATUS	CON_ID
FILE	/u01/app/oracle/admin/CDB2/wallet/tde/	OPEN_NO_MASTER_KEY	1
FILE		OPEN_NO_MASTER_KEY	2
FILE		OPEN_NO_MASTER_KEY	3

Acme 4/18/16
Acme 2/1/9/16

HCM
TABLESPACE



Online Encryption | Step By Step

NEW IN
12.2

4a. Create Master Key CDB\$ROOT

```
administer key management set key identified by S3cr3t with backup;
```

```
select WRL_TYPE, WRL_PARAMETER, STATUS, CON_ID from v$encryption_wallet;
```

WRL_TYPE	WRL_PARAMETER	STATUS	CON_ID
FILE	/u01/app/oracle/admin/CDB2/wallet/tde/	OPEN	1
FILE		OPEN	2
FILE		OPEN_NO_MASTER_KEY	3

Acme 10 1/2/16
Acme 3 1/3/16
Acme 5 1/5/16
Acme 12 1/7/16
Acme 4 1/8/16
Acme 2 1/9/16

SALES TABLESPACE
HCM TABLESPACE

DF11233U*!
\$5HaIqu%H!
HSKQ12A4
FASQw54E\$!
DF@E1aHh-!!
DA455& DD!

Online Encryption | Step By Step

NEW IN
12.2

4b. Create Master Key PDB

```
alter session set container=PDB1;  
  
administer key management set key identified by S3cr3t with backup;
```

```
select WRL_TYPE, WRL_PARAMETER, STATUS, CON_ID from v$encryption_wallet;
```

WRL_TYPE	WRL_PARAMETER	STATUS	CON_ID
FILE		OPEN	3

Acme 10/2/16
Acme 3/3/16
Acme 5/5/16
Acme 12/7/16
Acme 4/8/16
Acme 2/9/16

SALES TABLESPACE
HCM TABLESPACE

DF11233U*!
\$5HaIqu%HI
HSKQ12A4
FASQw54E\$!
DF@E1aHh-!!
DA455& DD!

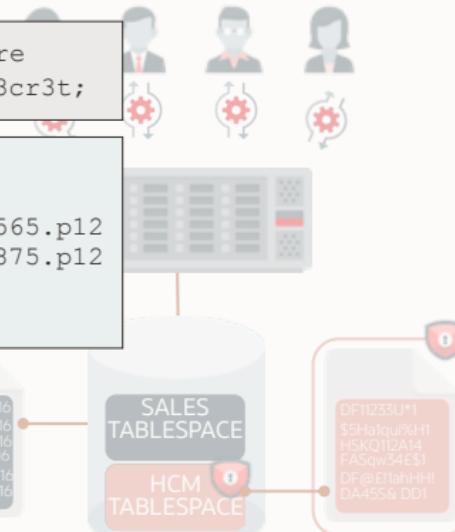
Online Encryption | Step By Step

NEW IN
12.2

5. Autologin Keystore

```
administer key management create auto_login keystore from keystore
'${ORACLE_BASE}/admin/${ORACLE_SID}/wallet/tde' identified by S3cr3t;
```

```
$  ls -lrt /u01/app/oracle/admin/CDB2/wallet/tde/
-rw-----. 1 oracle dba 2555 Jan 11 23:33 ewallet_2021011122331565.p12
-rw-----. 1 oracle dba 3995 Jan 11 23:34 ewallet_2021011122340875.p12
-rw-----. 1 oracle dba 5467 Jan 11 23:34 ewallet.p12
-rw-----. 1 oracle dba 5512 Jan 11 23:35 cwallet.sso
```

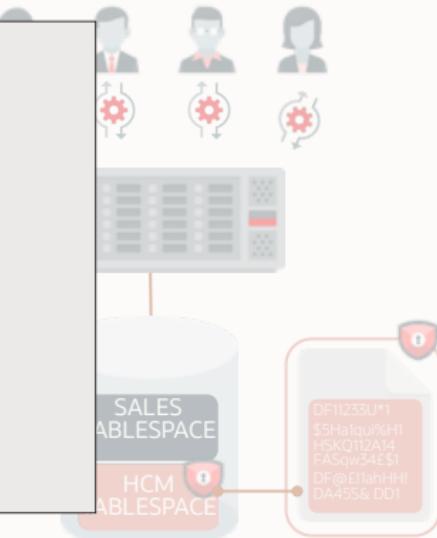


Online Encryption | Step By Step

NEW IN
12.2

6. Encrypt Tablespaces Online

```
alter session set container=PDB1;  
  
alter tablespace TEST encryption online encrypt;  
  
select TABLESPACE_NAME, STATUS, ENCRYPTED from DBA_TABLESPACES;  
  
TABLESPACE_NAME      STATUS      ENC  
-----  
SYSTEM              ONLINE      NO  
SYSAUX              ONLINE      NO  
UNDOTBS1            ONLINE      NO  
TEMP                ONLINE      NO  
TEST                ONLINE      YES
```



Online Encryption | Step By Step

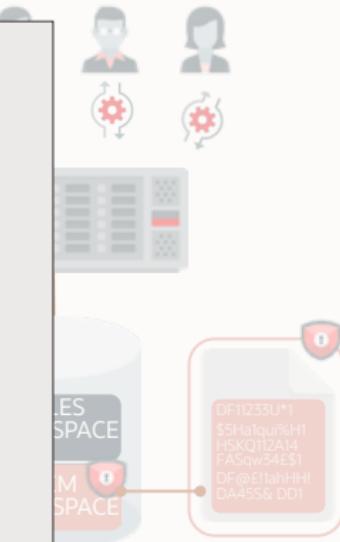
NEW IN
12.2

7. Encrypt New Tablespaces

```
alter system set ENCRYPT_NEW_TABLESPACES=ALWAYS scope=both;  
  
create tablespace FUTURE datafile '/u02/oradata/CDB2/pdb1/future01.dbf'  
size 100M autoextend on online;
```

```
select TABLESPACE_NAME, STATUS, ENCRYPTED from DBA_TABLESPACES;
```

TABLESPACE_NAME	STATUS	ENC
SYSTEM	ONLINE	NO
SYSAUX	ONLINE	NO
UNDOTBS1	ONLINE	NO
TEMP	ONLINE	NO
TEST	ONLINE	YES
FUTURE	ONLINE	YES



Online Encryption | Recovery Manager

NEW IN
12.2

RMAN Option: Restore as encrypted

```
RMAN> restore tablespace TEST as encrypted;
Starting restore at 01/01/21 15:00:00
using channel ORA_DISK_1

channel ORA_DISK_1: starting datafile backup set restore
channel ORA_DISK_1: specifying datafile(s) to restore from backup set
channel ORA_DISK_1: restoring datafile 00009 to /u02/oradata/DB12/o1_mf_test_fz01z149_.dbf
channel ORA_DISK_1: reading from backup piece
  /u02/fast_recovery_area/DB12/backupset/2021_01_01/o1_mf_nnnd0_TAG20210101T150000_gbq5n71p_.bkp
channel ORA_DISK_1: piece
  handle=/u02/fast_recovery_area/DB12/backupset/2021_01_01/o1_mf_nnnd0_TAG20210101T150000_gbq5n71p_.bkp
  tag=TAG20210101T150000
channel ORA_DISK_1: restored backup piece 1
channel ORA_DISK_1: restore complete, elapsed time: 00:00:01
Finished restore at 01/01/21 15:02:11
RMAN> recover tablespace TEST;

Starting recover at 01/01/21 15:01:12
using channel ORA_DISK_1

starting media recovery
media recovery complete, elapsed time: 00:00:00

Finished recover at 01/01/21 15:01:12
```



Online Encryption | Recovery Manager

NEW IN
18c

RMAN Option: Restore as decrypted

```
RMAN> restore tablespace USERS as decrypted;

Starting restore at 04/08/19 16:29:43
allocated channel: ORA_DISK_1
channel ORA_DISK_1: SID=265 device type=DISK

channel ORA_DISK_1: starting datafile backup set restore
channel ORA_DISK_1: specifying datafile(s) to restore from backup set
channel ORA_DISK_1: restoring datafile 00007 to /u02/oradata/DB18/datafile/o1_mf_users_fz01z149_.dbf
channel ORA_DISK_1: reading from backup piece
  /u02/fast_recovery_area/DB18/backupset/2019_04_08/o1_mf_nnnd0_TAG20190408T162748_gbqcp4vg_.bkp
channel ORA_DISK_1: piece
  handle=/u02/fast_recovery_area/DB18/backupset/2019_04_08/o1_mf_nnnd0_TAG20190408T162748_gbqcp4vg_.bkp
  tag=TAG20190408T162748
channel ORA_DISK_1: restored backup piece 1
channel ORA_DISK_1: restore complete, elapsed time: 00:00:01
Finished restore at 04/08/19 16:29:45

RMAN> recover tablespace USERS;

Starting recover at 04/08/19 16:29:54
using channel ORA_DISK_1

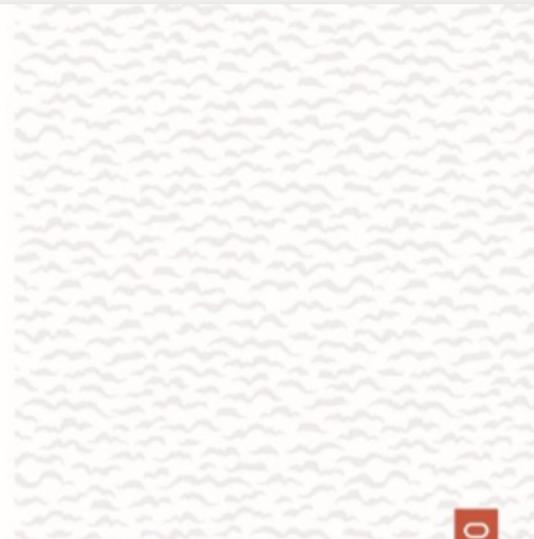
starting media recovery
media recovery complete, elapsed time: 00:00:00

Finished recover at 04/08/19 16:29:54
```



Online Encryption

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Gradual Password Rollover

Gradual Password Rollover | Overview

NEW IN
19



- Allow a user to have two passwords for a limited amount of time

```
SQL> CREATE PROFILE app_profile LIMIT  
      PASSWORD_ROLLOVER_TIME 1;  
  
SQL> CREATE USER app_user  
      ...  
      PROFILE app_profile;
```

- Minimum one hour (1/24), maximum 60 days

Originally a 21c feature, but backported with 19.12.0

[Documentation](#)

Gradual Password Rollover | Overview

NEW IN
19



- Which users are using the old password?

```
SQL> select authentication_type
  from unified_audit_trail
 where action_name='LOGON' and dbusername='APP_USER';
```

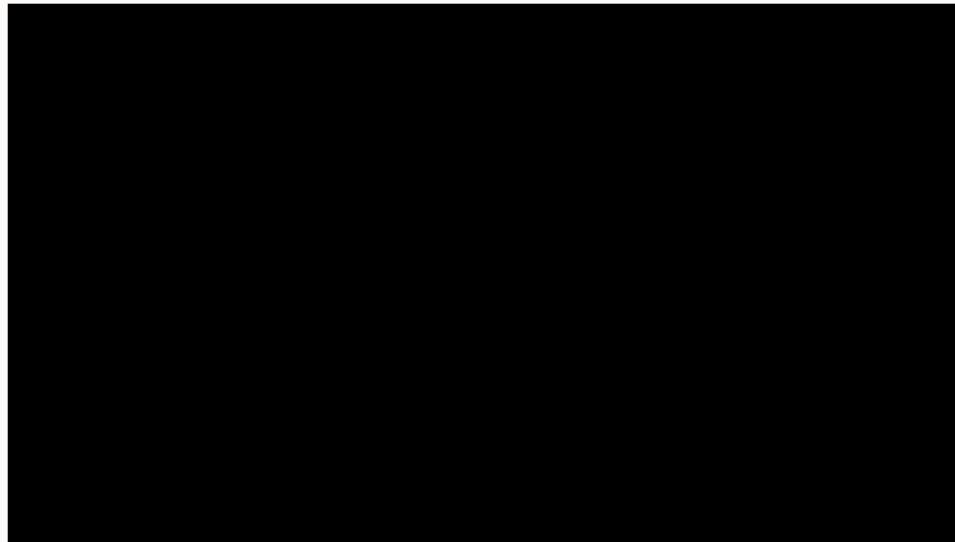
- The authentication_type tells which password is used:

```
(TYPE=(DATABASE)) ; (CLIENT_ADDRESS=((PROTOCOL=tcp) (HOST=10.0.1.225) (PORT=24974))) ;
  (LOGON_INFO=((VERIFIER=12C-NEW) (CLIENT_CAPABILITIES=05L_NP,07L_MR,08L_LI))) ;

(TYPE=(DATABASE)) ; (CLIENT_ADDRESS=((PROTOCOL=tcp) (HOST=10.0.1.225) (PORT=24983))) ;
  (LOGON_INFO=((VERIFIER=12C-OLD) (CLIENT_CAPABILITIES=05L_NP,07L_MR,08L_LI))) ;
```

Gradual Password Rollover | [Demo](#)

NEW IN
19



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Privilege Capture

```
grant DBA to APP_USER with admin option;
```

Privilege Capture | Overview

Implement the concept of "least privileges"

- Report used privileges and grant path
- Report unused privileges
 - <https://docs.oracle.com/en/database/oracle/oracle-database/19/dbseg/performing-privilege-analysis-find-privilege-use.html#GUID-44CB644B-7B59-4B3B-B375-9F9B96F60186>

The screenshot shows a web page from the Oracle Security Guide. The top navigation bar includes links for Database, Oracle, Oracle Database, and Release 19. The main title is 'Security Guide'. On the left, a sidebar menu lists several sections under '5 Performing Privilege Analysis to Find Privilege Use': 'What Is Privilege Analysis?', 'Creating and Managing Privilege Analysis Policies', 'Creating Roles and Managing Privileges Using Cloud Control', 'Tutorial: Using Capture Runs to Analyze ANY Privilege Use', 'Tutorial: Analyzing Privilege Use by a User Who Has the DBA Role', 'Privilege Analysis Policy and Report Data Dictionary Views', and 'Dictionary Views'. The main content area, titled '5 Performing Privilege Analysis to Find Privilege Use', contains a brief description of privilege analysis and links to the listed tutorials and dictionary views. Navigation arrows are visible on the right side of the content area.

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Security Guide

5 Performing Privilege Analysis to Find Privilege Use

What Is Privilege Analysis?

Privilege analysis dynamically analyzes the privileges and roles that users use and do not use.

Creating and Managing Privilege Analysis Policies

Privilege analysis increases the security of your applications and database operations by helping you to implement least privilege best practices for database roles and privileges.

Creating Roles and Managing Privileges Using Cloud Control

You can create new roles using privileges found in a privilege analysis report and then grant this role to users.

Tutorial: Using Capture Runs to Analyze ANY Privilege Use

This tutorial demonstrates how to create capture runs to analyze the use of the `READ ANY TABLE` system privilege.

Tutorial: Analyzing Privilege Use by a User Who Has the DBA Role

This tutorial demonstrates how to analyze the privilege use of a user who has the `DBA` role and performs database tuning operations.

Privilege Analysis Policy and Report Data Dictionary Views

Oracle Database provides data dictionary views that show information about analyzed privileges.

Privilege Capture | License

Part of Enterprise Edition

- Changed from "requires Database Vault option" to "included in EE" with Oracle 18c
- Applies to Oracle 12.2.0.1 and newer

Oracle 12.1.0.2

Privilege Analysis	N	N	Y	
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Requires the Database Vault option



Oracle 12.2.0.1

Privilege Analysis	N	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
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Oracle 18c

Privilege Analysis	N	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	
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Oracle 19c

Privilege Analysis	N	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	
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Privilege Capture | Create a Capture Policy



DBMS_PRIVILEGE_CAPTURE

CREATE_CAPTURE

- Create a privilege capture analysis policy

ENABLE_CAPTURE

- Enable the analysis policy

Run it for a given period of time

DISABLE_CAPTURE

- Stop the privilege analysis run

GENERATE_RESULT

- Populate dictionary views with analysis results

DROP_CAPTURE / DELETE_RUN

- Drop it if it is not longer needed
- Or delete the results of this run only

```
BEGIN
```

```
  DBMS_PRIVILEGE_CAPTURE.CREATE_CAPTURE(
```

```
    name =>          'tuning_privs',
```

```
    description => 'analyze tuning privs',
```

```
    type =>          DBMS_PRIVILEGE_CAPTURE.
```

```
                      G_CONTEXT,
```

```
    condition =>   'SYS_CONTEXT(''USERENV'',
```

```
                      ''SESSION_USER'')='''SMITH'''');
```

```
END;
```

```
/
```

Privilege Capture | Start Capture

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BEGIN

```
DBMS_PRIVILEGE_CAPTURE.ENABLE_CAPTURE
('tuning_privs');
```

END;

/

Privilege Capture | Stop Capture

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BEGIN

```
DBMS_PRIVILEGE_CAPTURE.DISABLE_CAPTURE
('tuning_privs');
```

END;

/

Privilege Capture | Populate Views

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```
BEGIN
  DBMS_PRIVILEGE_CAPTURE.GENERATE_RESULT
  ('tuning_privs');
END;
/
```

Privilege Capture | Used System Privileges

```
DBMS_PRIVILEGE_CAPTURE.GENERATE_RESULT
```

System privileges and roles **used** by the user "SMITH"

```
SELECT USERNAME, SYS_PRIV, USED_ROLE, PATH
  FROM DBA_USED_SYSPRIVS_PATH
 WHERE USERNAME = 'SMITH'
 ORDER BY 1, 2, 3;
```

USERNAME	SYS_PRIV	USED_ROLE	PATH
SMITH	ANALYZE ANY	IMP_FULL_DATABASE	GRANT_PATH('SMITH', 'DBA')
SMITH	ANALYZE ANY	IMP_FULL_DATABASE	GRANT_PATH('SMITH', 'DBA', 'IMP_FULL_DATABASE')
SMITH	ANALYZE ANY	IMP_FULL_DATABASE	GRANT_PATH('SMITH', 'DBA', 'DATAPUMP_IMP_FULL_DATABASE', 'IMP_FULL_DATABASE')
...			

Privilege Capture | Unused System Privileges

```
DBMS_PRIVILEGE_CAPTURE.GENERATE_RESULT
```

System privileges **unused** by the user "SMITH"

```
SELECT USERNAME, SYS_PRIV
  FROM DBA_UNUSED_SYSPRIVS
 WHERE USERNAME = 'SMITH'
 ORDER BY 1, 2;
```

USERNAME	SYS_PRIV
SMITH	ADMINISTER ANY SQL TUNING SET
SMITH	ADMINISTER DATABASE TRIGGER
SMITH	ADMINISTER RESOURCE MANAGER
SMITH	ADMINISTER SQL TUNING SET
SMITH	ALTER ANY ASSEMBLY
SMITH	ON COMMIT REFRESH
...	

Privilege Capture | Purge Views

DBMS_PRIVILEGE_CAPTURE

CREATE_CAPTURE

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ENABLE_CAPTURE

- Enable the analysis policy

Run it for a given period of time

DISABLE_CAPTURE

- Stop the privilege analysis run

GENERATE_RESULT

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DROP_CAPTURE / DELETE_RUN

- Drop it if it is not longer needed
- Or delete the results of this run only



```
BEGIN
  DBMS_PRIVILEGE_CAPTURE.DELETE_RUN
  ('tuning_privs');
END;
```

```
/
```

```
BEGIN
  DBMS_PRIVILEGE_CAPTURE.DROP_CAPTURE
  ('tuning_privs');
END;
```

```
/
```

Privilege Capture | Things to Know

CAPTURE_ADMIN role required

Analysis with Multitenant only per container

Only one capture policy can be active at a given time

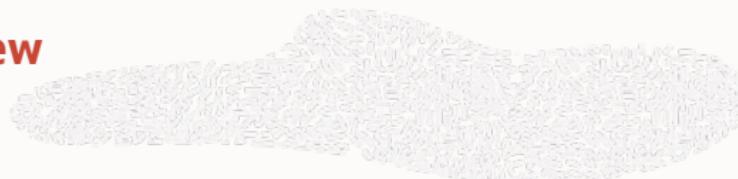
Complete application test necessary

- Risk to revoke a privilege which gets used rarely

Results are kept until capture run or policy gets deleted

Secure External Password Store

Secure External Password Store | Overview



Instead of typing user name and password in cleartext:

```
sqlplus batch/S3cr3tP##sw00rd@DB19
```

Get it from the external store:

```
sqlplus /@DB19
```

Secure External Password Store | Overview



Characteristics:

- TNS alias controls which credential is being used
- SQLNet.ora points to location of keystore

```
WALLET_LOCATION =
  (SOURCE =
    (METHOD = FILE)
    (METHOD_DATA =
      (DIRECTORY = /home/oracle/tns)
    )
  )
)
```

- Keystore is an encrypted file located in your file system

```
mkstore -wrl $ORACLE_WALLET_LOC -createCredential DB19 batch S3cr3tP##sw00rd
```

Pro tip: Use SQLNET.WALLET_OVERRIDE = TRUE to ensure no other external authentication methods are used

Secure External Password Store | Overview

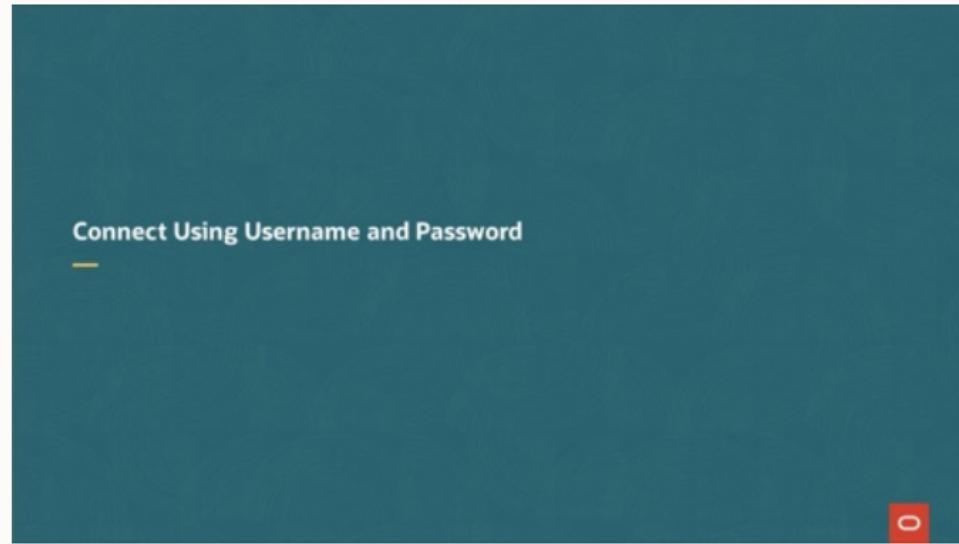
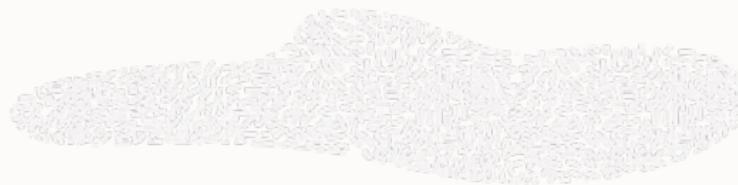


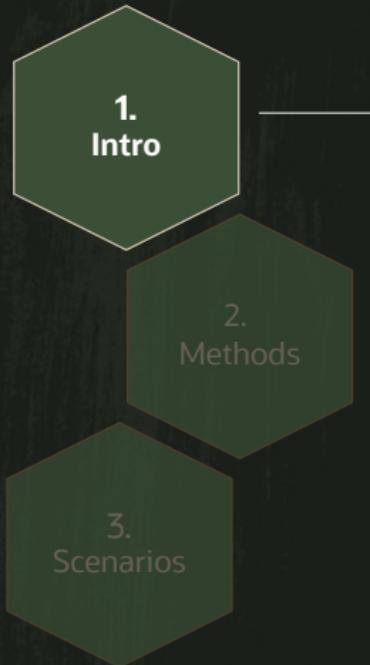
A much more secure solution:

- Supports separation of duties
- Avoid hardcoded passwords in scripts
- Avoid typing passwords in cleartext in terminal

Documentation: [Concept](#)

Secure External Password Store | [Demo](#)





Fallback vs Rollback
COMPATIBLE
Time Zone File

TWO CONCEPTS



ROLLBACK

Returns the database to the previous, consistent state



FALLBACK

Returns the database to a previous release without losing changes



The most limiting factor on your
fallback options is COMPATIBLE

Compatible | Overview

What does COMPATIBLE do?

- Enables use of features, e.g.
 - Long identifiers
 - Blockchain tables
- Redo log file structure
- Data file format
- Tablespace header

Where is it documented?

- [Database Upgrade Guide](#)

What Is Oracle Database Compatibility?

Before you upgrade, review compatibility between your earlier release Oracle Database and the new Oracle Database release as part of your upgrade plan.

Understanding Oracle Database Compatibility

If new features are incompatible with your earlier release, then Database compatibility can cause issues.

When to Set the COMPATIBLE Initialization Parameter in Oracle Database

Oracle recommends increasing the `COMPATIBLE` parameter only after you have completed testing the upgraded database.

About the COMPATIBLE Initialization Parameter in Oracle Database

Review to understand how to set the `COMPATIBLE` initialization parameter for non-CDB and multitenant architecture containers in Oracle Database 21c.

Values for the COMPATIBLE Initialization Parameter in Oracle Database

Review to find the default and minimum values for the `COMPATIBLE` initialization parameter for Oracle Database 21c.

About Downgrading and Compatibility for Upgrading Oracle Database

Before upgrading to Oracle Database 21c, you must set the `COMPATIBLE` initialization parameter to at least 12.2.0.

How the COMPATIBLE Initialization Parameter Operates in Oracle Database

The `COMPATIBLE` initialization parameter enables or disables Oracle Database features based on release compatibility.

Checking the Compatibility Level of Oracle Database

Use this SQL query to find the `COMPATIBLE` initialization parameter value set for your database.



COMPATIBLE can only be changed to a higher value



Changing COMPATIBLE prevents the use of Flashback Database and downgrade

Compatible | Multitenant



On plug-in:

- PDB silently changes it's COMPATIBLE setting
- The change is irreversible



We recommend to change COMPATIBLE one or two weeks after the upgrade

Pro tip: Changing COMPATIBLE requires a database restart

Compatible | Recommendation

Which value should you use for COMPATIBLE?

- The default of the database release
 - 11.2.0
 - 12.1.0
 - 12.2.0
 - 18.0.0
 - 19.0.0

Should you change COMPATIBLE when patching?

- NEVER!
 - Except for ...

Compatible | Comparison

Fully independent from each other

COMPATIBLE

- Enables features
- Changes on-disk structures

OPTIMIZER_FEATURES_ENABLE

- Just reverts to the parameters used in a previous release
- Avoid using it if possible
- This is **not** a Swiss Army knife!
- You will turn off a lot of great features

”

Modifying the OPTIMIZER_FEATURES_ENABLE parameter generally is strongly discouraged and should only be used as a short term measure at the suggestion of Oracle Global Support.

[Use Caution if Changing the OPTIMIZER_FEATURES_ENABLE Parameter After an Upgrade \(Doc ID 1362332.1\)](#)

Compatible | AutoUpgrade

AutoUpgrade does not change COMPATIBLE

Unless you want it

```
upg1.drop_grp_after_upgrade=yes  
upg1.raise_compatible=yes
```

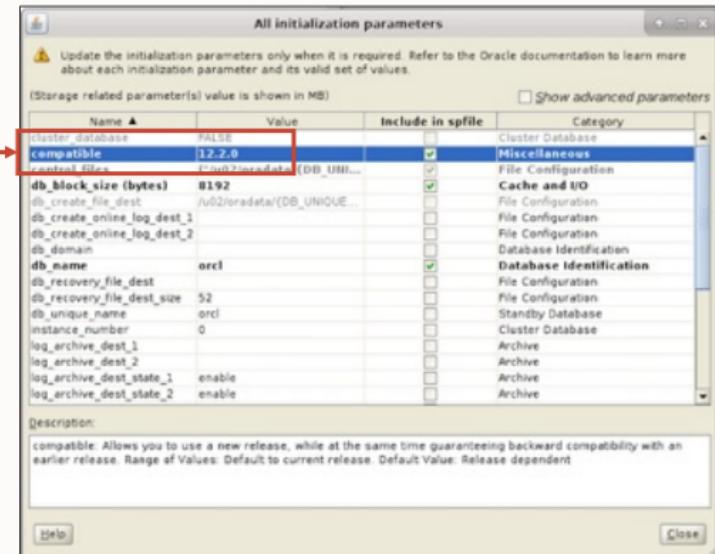
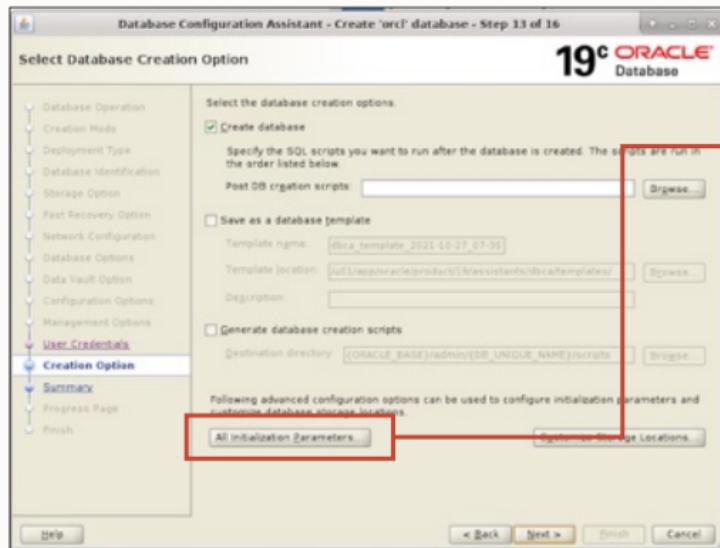


How do I create a database with a
non-default COMPATIBLE setting?

Compatible | DBCA

COMPATIBLE choice is only available via **CUSTOM** database creation

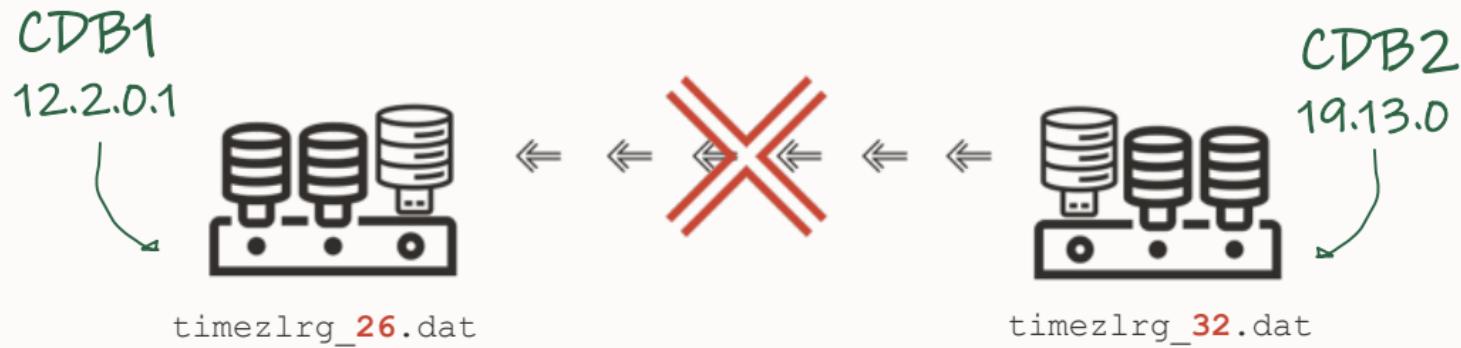
- General Purpose, OLTP and DWH templates create databases with default COMPATIBLE



Time Zone | Downgrade requirements

Identical zone files must exist in both homes and databases

- A lower time zone file's version will prevent downgrade



Time Zone | Downgrade Solution

Apply matching time zone patch to source home and database

- [MOS Note:412160.1](#)

```
Version 30 - tzdata2017b update - patch 25881255 * patch 25881271
Version 31 - tzdata2017c update - patch 27015449 * patch 27015468
Version 32 - tzdata2018e update - patch 28125601 * patch 28127287
Version 33 - tzdata2018g update - patch 28852325 * patch 28852334
Version 34 - tzdata2019b update - patch 29997937 * patch 29997959
Version 35 - tzdata2020a update - patch 31335037 * patch 31335142
```

CDB1

12.2.0.1



timezlr_26.dat

Patch: timezlr_32.dat

CDB2

19.13.0



timezlr_32.dat

Time Zone | **Check**

Check time zone file version upfront

```
SQL> select * from V$TIMEZONE_FILE;
```

FILENAME	VERSION	CON_ID
timezlr_26.dat	26	0

Time Zone | Default Version

11.2.0.4

12.1.0.2

12.2.0.1

18

19

21

```
$ ls -l $ORACLE_HOME/oracore/zoneinfo
...
timezone_14.dat
...
timezone_18.dat
...
timezone_25.dat
timezone_26.dat
timezone_27.dat
timezone_28.dat
timezone_29.dat
timezone_30.dat
timezone_31.dat
timezone_32.dat
timezone_33.dat
timezone_34.dat
timezone_35.dat
timezone_36.dat
```

Time Zone | Patch and Apply

Apply time zone patch to Oracle Home

- Files will be written to `$ORACLE_HOME/oracore/zoneinfo`
- Time zone patches are not part of any RU or patch bundle
 - Not RAC-rolling
- Time zone patches are not patch bundle agnostic but generic per release

Use scripts to adjust time zone

- `?/rdbms/admin/utltz_upg_check.sql`
- `?/rdbms/admin/utltz_upg_apply.sql`

Time Zone | **AutoUpgrade**

AutoUpgrade upgrades time zone by default

To avoid time zone upgrade

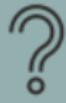
```
upg1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/12.2.0.1
upg1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19
upg1.sid=CDB1
upg1.pdbs=PDB1
upg1.target_cdb=CDB2
upg1.timezone_upg=no
```



Ease your life by having identical time zone files in all environments



Updating the database time zone file
is recommended, not but mandatory



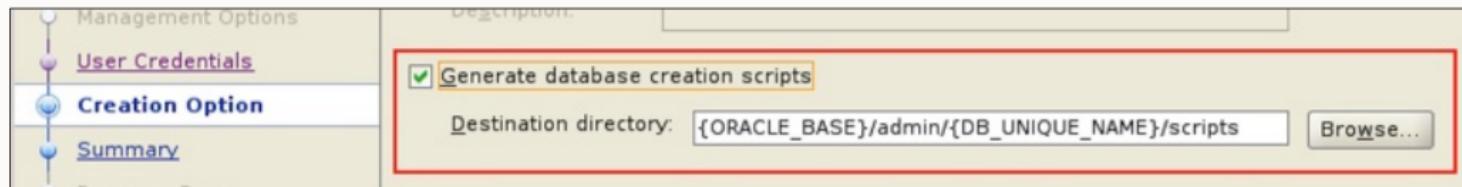
How to create a database with a
non-default Time Zone setting?

Time Zone | Custom Setting

DBCA does not offer an implicit solution

Workaround:

Create database creation scripts with DBCA



Set environment variable ORA_TZFILE

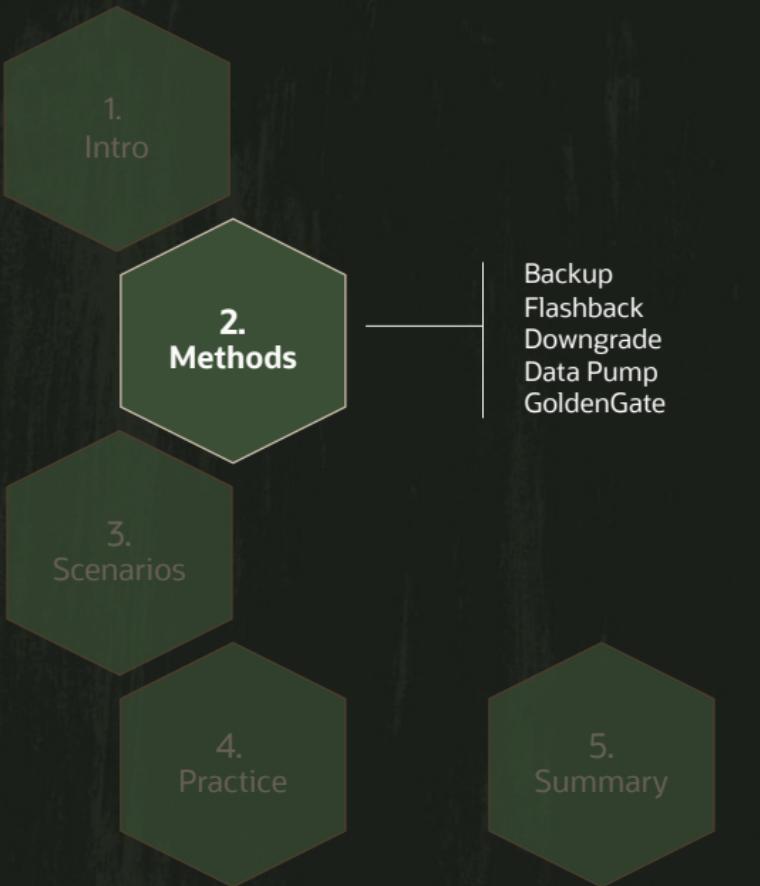
```
$ export ORA_TZFILE=/u01/app/oracle/product/19/oracore/zoneinfo/timezone_14.dat
```

Create database with script

```
$ ./ORCL.sh
```



Within the same run, you can define time zone and COMPATIBLE settings



various methods to

fallback and rollback

BACKUP

Backup

- You should **always** have backups as one of your fallback methods
- But it should **never** be the primary fallback method
- Because it takes **too long** to restore a backup



You should perform a backup
before and after an event



If time allows, you should use level 0 backups,
If not, level 1 offers the same level of protection

Pro tip: Cumulative incremental might offer a good balance between time to backup and time to recover



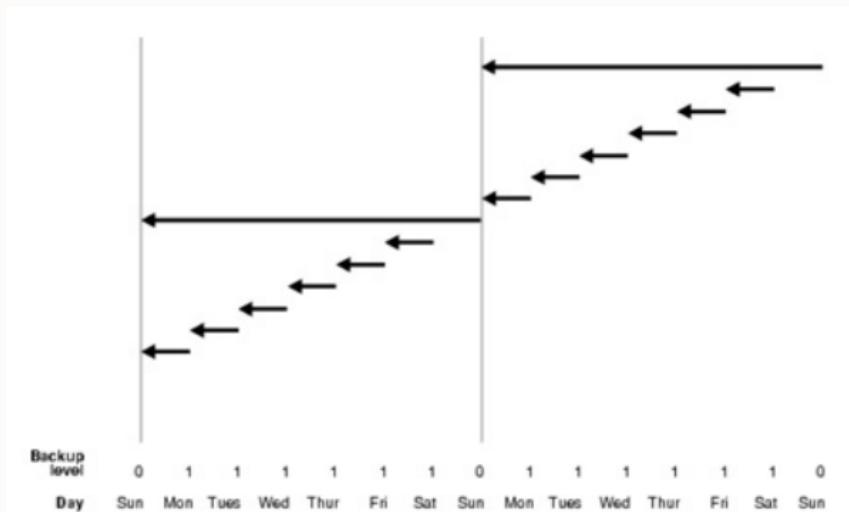
Block Change Tracking can significantly speed up incremental backups

Pro tip: BCT is an Enterprise Edition feature, but requires Active Data Guard if enabled on standby database

Backup | Level 0 / 1 Incremental

Differential:

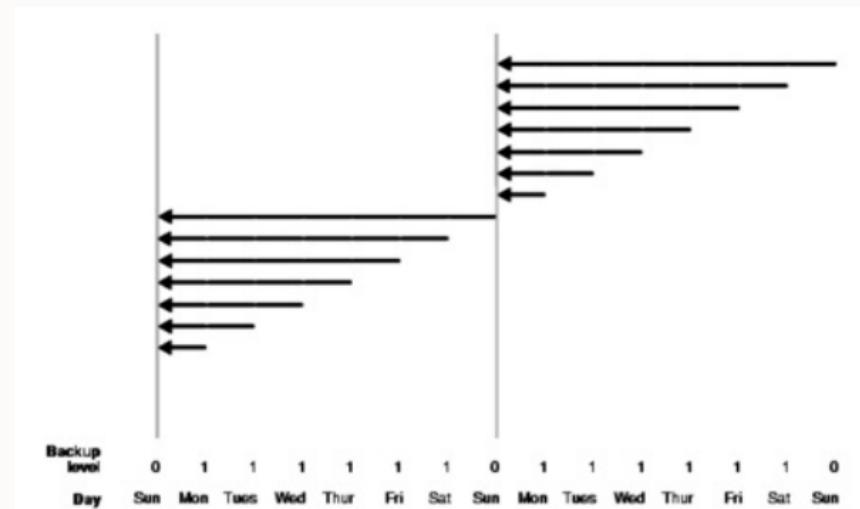
```
RMAN> BACKUP INCREMENTAL LEVEL 1 DATABASE;
```



Backup | Level 0 / 1 Incremental

Cumulative:

```
RMAN> BACKUP INCREMENTAL LEVEL 1 CUMULATIVE DATABASE;
```



Backup | Partial Offline

A database upgrade does not touch user data

Your data files



Partial offline backup (plus redo log and control files)



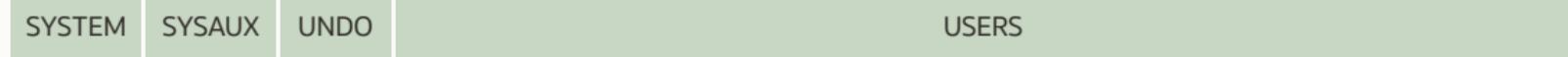
Start upgrade

Pro tip: Works for SE2 and databases in NOARCHIVELOG mode

Backup | Partial Offline

To restore

Your data files



Your backup (plus redo log and control files)



Pro tip: Partial offline backup is not applicable for unplug-plug upgrade

various methods to

fallback and rollback

FLASHBACK

Flashback | Overview

- Reverts the database **back in time**, all changes to the database is undone
- Often preferred because it is easy, and **very fast**
- Requires:
 - Enterprise Edition
 - ARCHIVELOG mode
 - 10-20 GB for Flashback Logs
 - COMPATIBLE must not be changed

Flashback | Concept

PRE-UPGRADE ENVIRONMENT

```
SQL> create restore point BEFORE_UPG  
guarantee flashback database;
```

POST-UPGRADE ENVIRONMENT

FLASHBACK

```
SQL> startup mount  
SQL> alter database open resetlogs;
```

```
SQL> shutdown immediate  
SQL> startup mount  
SQL> flashback database  
  to restore point BEFORE_UPG;  
SQL> shutdown immediate
```



Always use guaranteed restore points,
and remember to drop them again

Pro tip: Forgetting to drop a GRP will eventually
bring the database to a complete halt

various methods to

fallback and rollback

DOWNGRADE

Downgrade | Overview

- Brings the database back to a previous release
- Works days, weeks or months after upgrade
- No data loss
- Requires:
 - COMPATIBLE must not be changed
 - Time zone file version must match

Downgrade | Data Dictionary

A downgraded database is **not** identical to the pre-upgraded database

The data dictionary will be different - but compatible

Examples:

- New dictionary tables are not dropped, but truncated
- New indexes are not dropped
- Generally, dropping is avoided



Downgrade reverts only the data dictionary to a state compatible with a previous release

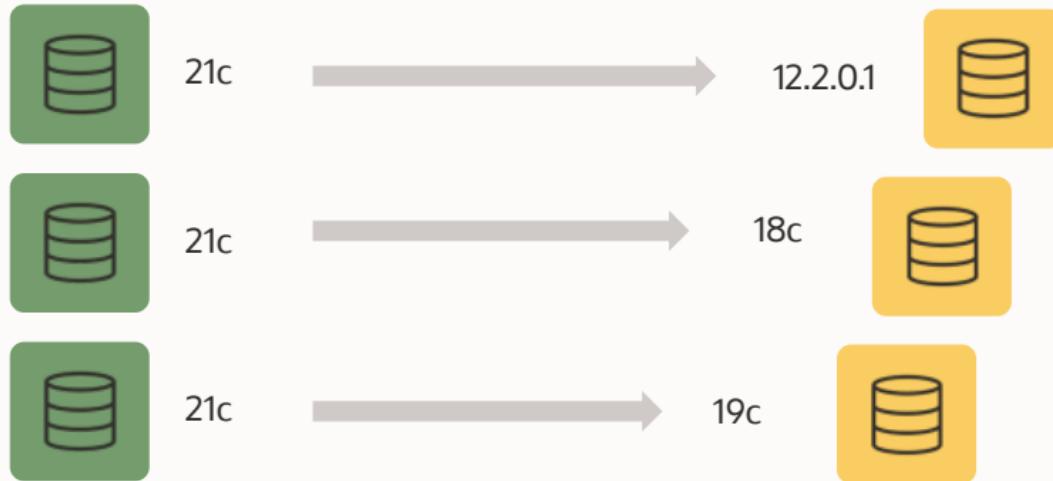
Pro tip: Keep your old Oracle Home available after the upgrade, *just in case*

Downgrade | Oracle Database 19c



For CDB architecture,
you can only downgrade
to these release
- not 11.2.0.4

Downgrade | Oracle Database 21c



CDB-only architecture

Downgrade | Fallback Concept

PRE-UPGRADE ENVIRONMENT

POST-UPGRADE ENVIRONMENT

```
SQL> startup downgrade
```

DOWNGRADE

```
SQL> @?/rdbms/admin/catdwgrd.sql
SQL> shutdown immediate
```

```
SQL> startup upgrade
SQL> @?/rdbms/admin/catrelod.sql
SQL> @?/rdbms/admin/utlrp.sql
```



Before downgrading, there is no need to rollback any patches, neither RUs or RURs nor one-off patches

Downgrade | Pro Tips

Always set these options before using `catdwgrd.sql`

```
SQL> set serverout on
SQL> set termout on
SQL> set timing on
SQL> set echo on
```

And these before using `catrelod.sql`

```
SQL> set termout on
SQL> set timing on
SQL> set echo on
```

And check the log files for errors

```
$ grep '^ORAC-' $ORACLE_HOME/cfgtoollogs/downgrade/catdwgrd*.log
```

various methods to

fallback and rollback

DATA PUMP

Data Pump | Overview

- Universal fallback solution
- When all other fails,
Data Pump works
- Often not used because considerable
downtime is needed
- Requires:
 - Time zone file version must match



When downgrading, tables using
new features are not imported

Data Pump | Overview

Create a dump file compatible
with a lower release

```
version=11.2.0.4
```

Other options are

- COMPATIBLE (default)
- LATEST

Pro tip: See MOS Doc ID [5533371](#) for
further information



Data Pump over database link
does not work for downgrades

Pro tip: Data Pump over database link is
using the `NETWORK_LINK` parameter

Data Pump | Fallback Concept

PRE-UPGRADE ENVIRONMENT

POST-UPGRADE ENVIRONMENT

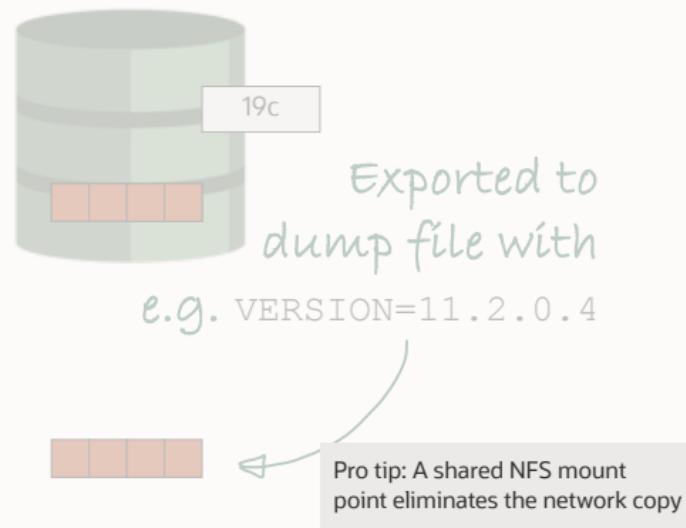
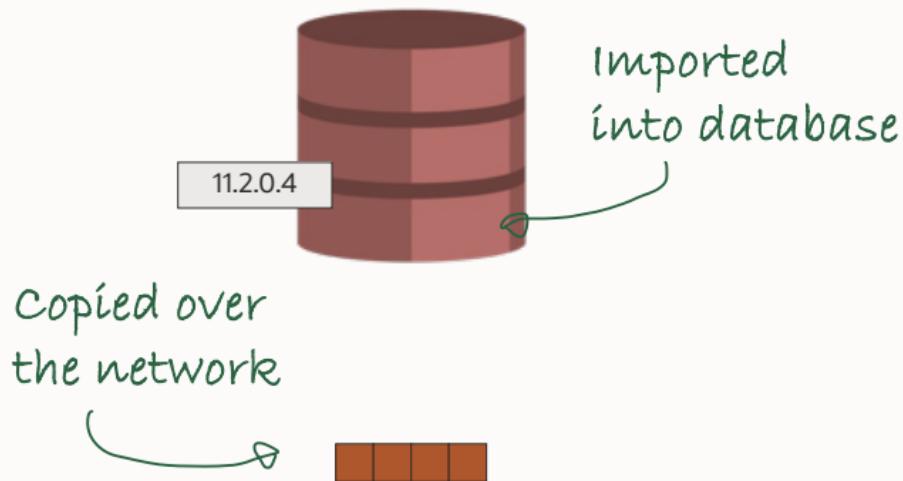
DATA PUMP

```
impdp ...
```

```
expdp ... VERSION=<source release>
```

Pro tip: Keep your old Oracle Home available and create an empty database

Data Pump | Fallback Explained



various methods to
fallback and rollback

GOLDENGATE

GoldenGate | Overview

- Zero downtime fallback option
- Universal and flexible,
but complex
- Use in combination with Data Pump

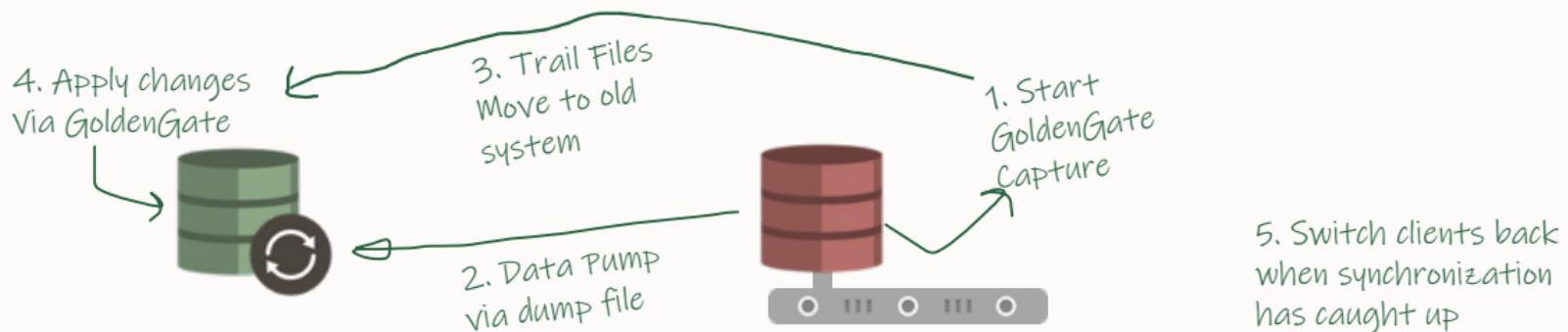
GoldenGate | Fallback

Original database: 11.2.0.4 non-CDB

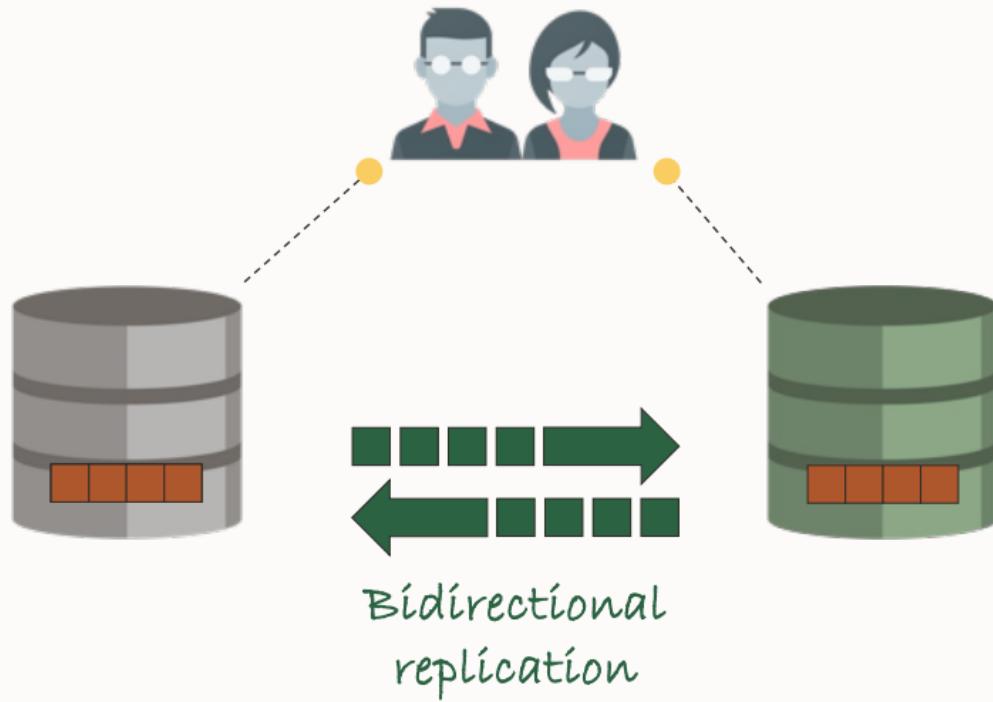
- Upgrade
- Plug-in
- Convert

Upgraded database: 19c PDB

- Capture
- Export
- Apply



GoldenGate | Phased Migration



various methods to

fallback and rollback

SUMMARY



comparing **FALLBACK** methods

	Backup	Flashback	Downgrade	Data Pump	GoldenGate
Data Loss	x	x			
Use after go-live			x	x	x
Downtime	Considerable	Almost none	Some	Considerable	None
Phased migration					x
Revert PDB conversion				x	x



Whichever method you choose,
be sure to practice, practice and practice

Fallback | Grid Infrastructure Downgrade

Options for Oracle Grid Infrastructure Downgrades



You can downgrade Oracle Grid Infrastructure 19c to earlier releases.

Downgrade options include the following earlier releases:

- Oracle Grid Infrastructure downgrade to Oracle Grid Infrastructure 18c.
- Oracle Grid Infrastructure downgrade to Oracle Grid Infrastructure 12c Release 2 (12.2).
- Oracle Grid Infrastructure downgrade to Oracle Grid Infrastructure 12c Release 1 (12.1).
- Oracle Grid Infrastructure downgrade to Oracle Grid Infrastructure 11g Release 2 (11.2). Because all cluster configurations in Oracle Grid Infrastructure 19c are Oracle Flex Clusters, when you downgrade to Oracle Grid Infrastructure 11g Release 2 (11.2), you downgrade from an Oracle Flex cluster configuration to a Standard cluster configuration.

 **Note:** When you downgrade Oracle Grid Infrastructure to an earlier release, for example from Oracle Grid Infrastructure 19c to Oracle Grid Infrastructure 18c, the later release RAC databases already registered with Oracle Grid Infrastructure will not start after the downgrade.

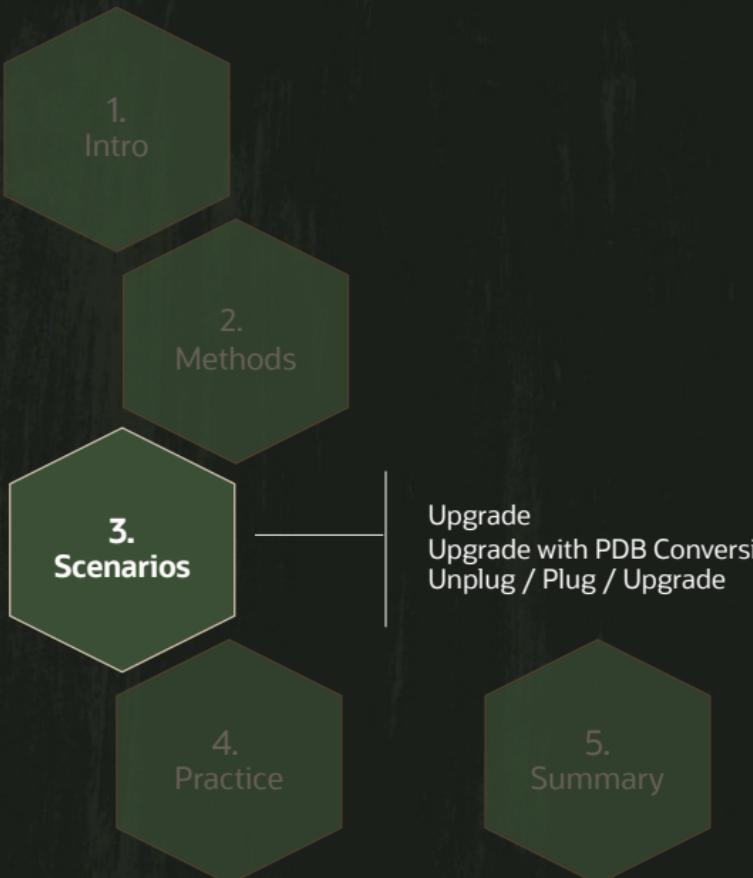
Related Topics

- [My Oracle Support Note 2180188.1](#)

Parent topic: [Downgrading Oracle Clusterware to an Earlier Release](#)

[Documentation](#)





fallback and rollback
typical scenarios for

Upgrade

non-CDB to non-CDB
CDB to CDB

Conversion

non-CDB to PDB

Unplug-Plug

PDB to PDB



FLASHBACK

- Preferred
- Data Loss

Flashback | AutoUpgrade

Guaranteed Restore Points

```
upg1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/12.2.0.1
upg1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19
upg1.sid=CDB1
upg1.restoration=yes
upg1.drop_grp_after_upgrade=no
```

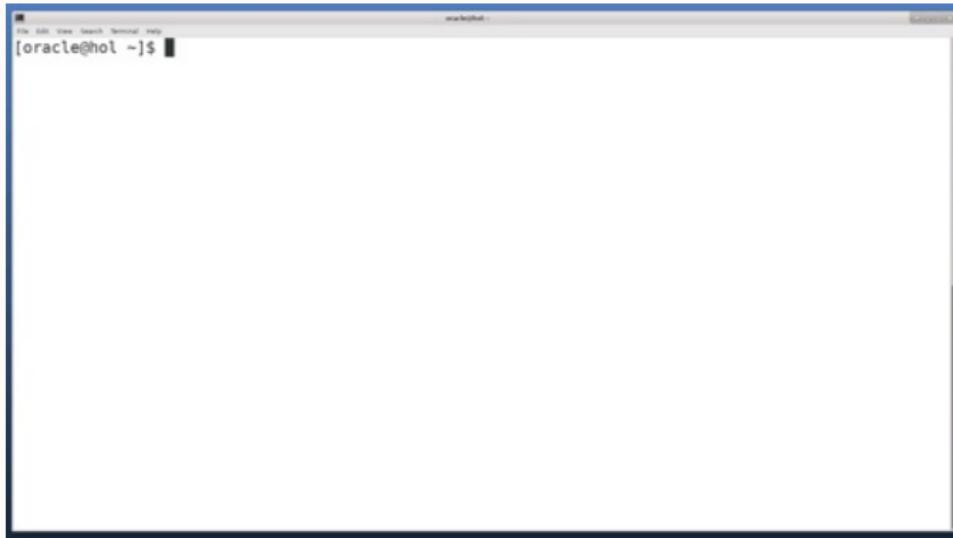
- Default behavior:
 - AutoUpgrade creates GRP except for
 - Standard Edition 2
 - restoration=no
 - GRP will be kept
 - GRP needs to be removed manually except for
 - drop_grp_after_upgrade=yes will only remove it when upgrade completed successfully

Flashback | AutoUpgrade

AutoUpgrades handles everything, including

- /etc/oratab
- Clusterware registration
- Moving files
 - PFile
 - SPFile
 - Password file
 - Etc.

Flashback | AutoUpgrade



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What about Data Guard?



You can use Flashback Database
without compromising your standby databases

Flashback | Data Guard

- Restore Points are needed on primary and standby databases
- Important: First standby database, then primary
- Always use guaranteed restore points
 - also, on standby databases
- Don't rely on restore point propagation

Flashback | Data Guard

PRIMARY

```
SQL> create restore point ...  
      guarantee flashback database;
```

STANDBY

```
SQL> create restore point ...  
      Guarantee flashback database;
```

FLASHBACK

```
SQL> shutdown immediate  
SQL> startup mount  
SQL> flashback database ...;  
SQL> alter database open resetlogs;
```

```
SQL> shutdown immediate
```

```
SQL> startup mount  
SQL> flashback database ...  
SQL> alter database recover managed  
      standby database ...;
```



Data Guard broker does not support
flashing back to a previous release

Pro tip: Check the [Data Guard Broker documentation](#) for details



Data Guard broker must be shut down during a flashback to a previous release

Flashback | Data Guard

You should either:

- Backup the broker configuration files before the upgrade

```
SQL> select value from v$parameter where name like 'dg\Broker\config\_%' escape '\';
```

- Recreate the Data Guard broker configuration

```
DGMGRL> create configuration ...  
DGMGRL> add database ...  
DGMGRL> enable configuration
```

In Oracle Database 19c you can EXPORT CONFIGURATION and IMPORT CONFIGURATION in Data Guard CLI (DGMGRL)



What about RAC?



You can use Flashback Database
on a RAC database



Only one instance should be running during a flashback operation

Flashback | RAC

Stop database (all instances) and mount one instance

```
$ srvctl stop database -d $ORACLE_UNQNAME
$ srvctl start instance -d $ORACLE_UNQNAME -i $ORACLE_SID -o MOUNT
```

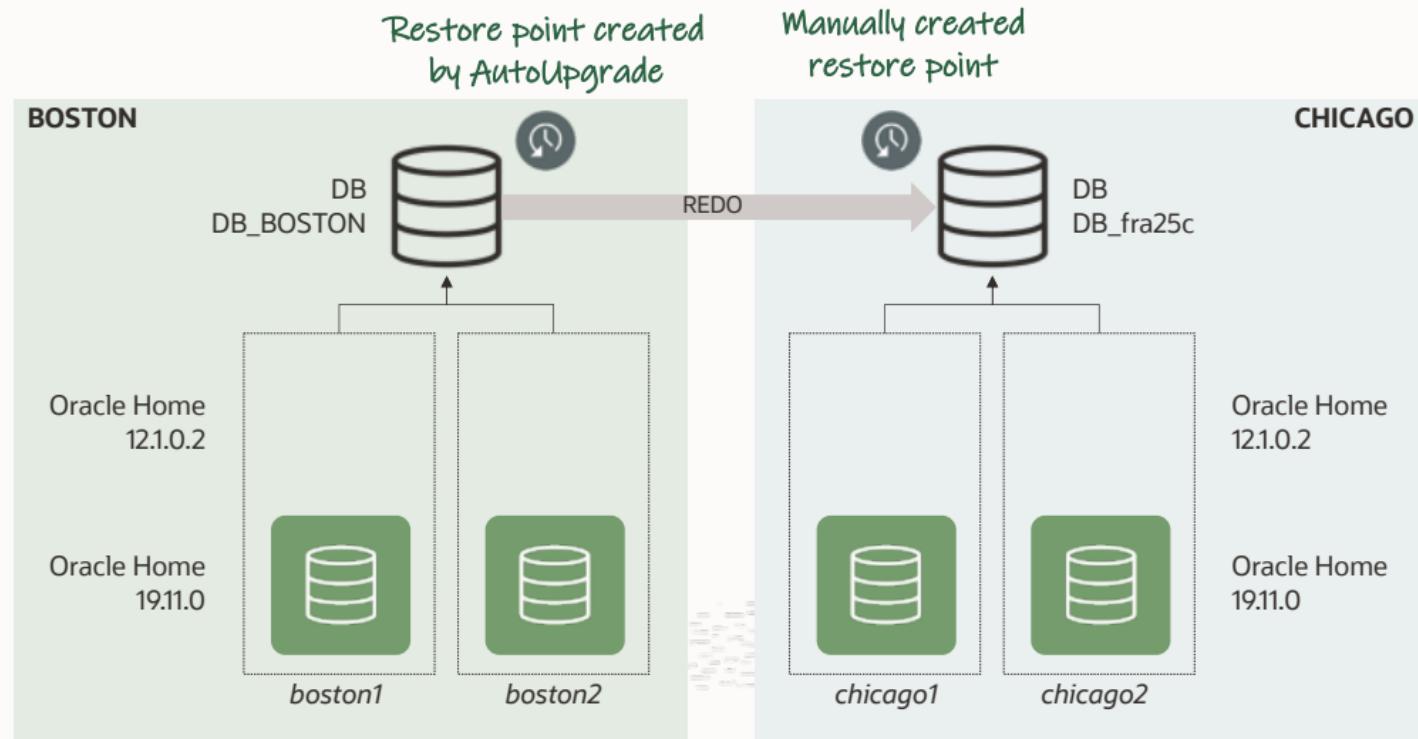
Flash back the database

```
SQL> flashback database ...           --Higher release Oracle Home
SQL> alter database open resetlogs;   --Lower release Oracle Home
```

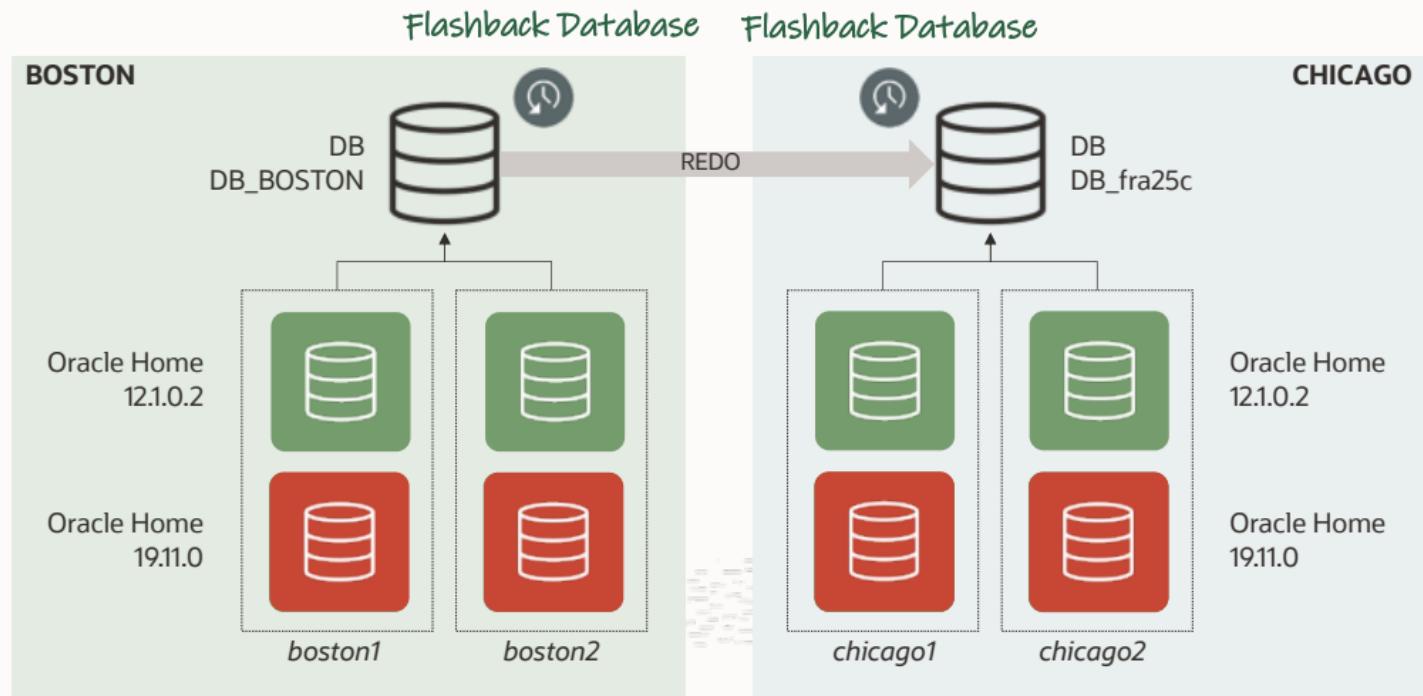
Start database (all instances)

```
$ srvctl stop instance -d $ORACLE_UNQNAME -i $ORACLE_SID
$ srvctl downgrade database -d $ORACLE_UNQNAME -o <lower_release_home> -t 12.2.0.1
$ srvctl start database -d $ORACLE_UNQNAME
```

Flashback | Demo



Flashback | Demo



Flashback | Demo

STOP STANDBY
Flashback Primary
Flashback Standby
Re-enable Data Guard



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DOWNGRADE

- No Data Loss

Downgrade | **Releases**

You can downgrade from Oracle Database 19 to:

- 18
- 12.2
- 12.1.0.2
- 11.2.0.4 (non-CDB only)

Pro tip: Check the [Upgrade Guide](#) for details



Perform level 0 backup **before and after** downgrading, or if time does not allow, at least a level 1 backup



It is recommended to install the latest Release Update in higher and lower release Oracle Homes before you start the downgrade



Check MOS notes [2539751.1](#) and [2548962.1](#) for important patches to apply before downgrading

Downgrade | Statistics

What about statistics?

- Dictionary statistics
 - Gather immediately after downgrade
- Fixed objects statistics
 - Gather when database is warmed-up
- Optimizer statistics
 - Regather stale statistics



What about Data Guard?



You can downgrade a database
without compromising your standby database

Downgrade | Data Guard

PRIMARY

```
SQL> startup downgrade  
$ ./dbdowngrade
```

Restart database in lower release Oracle Home

```
SQL> @catrelod  
SQL> @utlrp  
  
$ datapatch -verbose
```

STANDBY

Wait for all redo to be applied

Restart database in lower release Oracle Home

Wait for all redo to be applied



Data Guard broker does not support downgrading

Pro tip: Check the [Data Guard Broker documentation](#) for details



Data Guard broker must be shut down during a downgrade

Downgrade | Data Guard

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What about RAC?



It is possible to downgrade a RAC database



During a downgrade, the parameter
CLUSTER_DATABASE must be set to FALSE

Downgrade | RAC

Stop database (all instances) and start one instance in higher release Oracle Home

```
SQL> alter system set cluster_database=false scope=spfile sid='*';  
$ srvctl stop database -d $ORACLE_UNQNAME  
SQL> startup downgrade
```

Downgrade

```
$ ./db downgrade
```

Downgrade | RAC

Restart one instance in lower release Oracle Home

```
SQL> startup upgrade
```

Reload, recompile and datapatch

```
SQL> @catrelod
SQL> @utlrp

$ datapatch -verbose
```

Stop instance, clusterware downgrade and restart database (all instances)

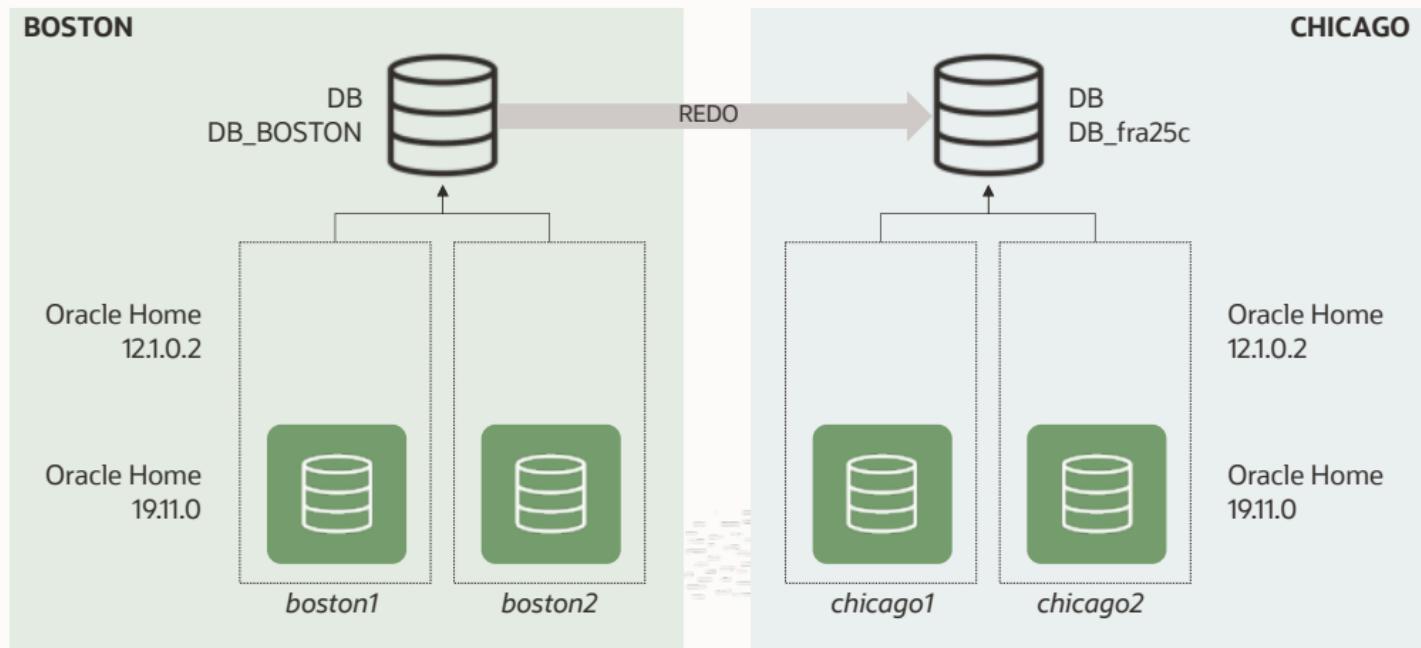
```
SQL> alter system set cluster_database=true scope=spfile sid='*';
SQL> shutdown immediate

$ srvctl downgrade database -d $ORACLE_UNQNAME -o <lower_release_home> -t 12.2.0.1
$ srvctl start database -d $ORACLE_UNQNAME
```

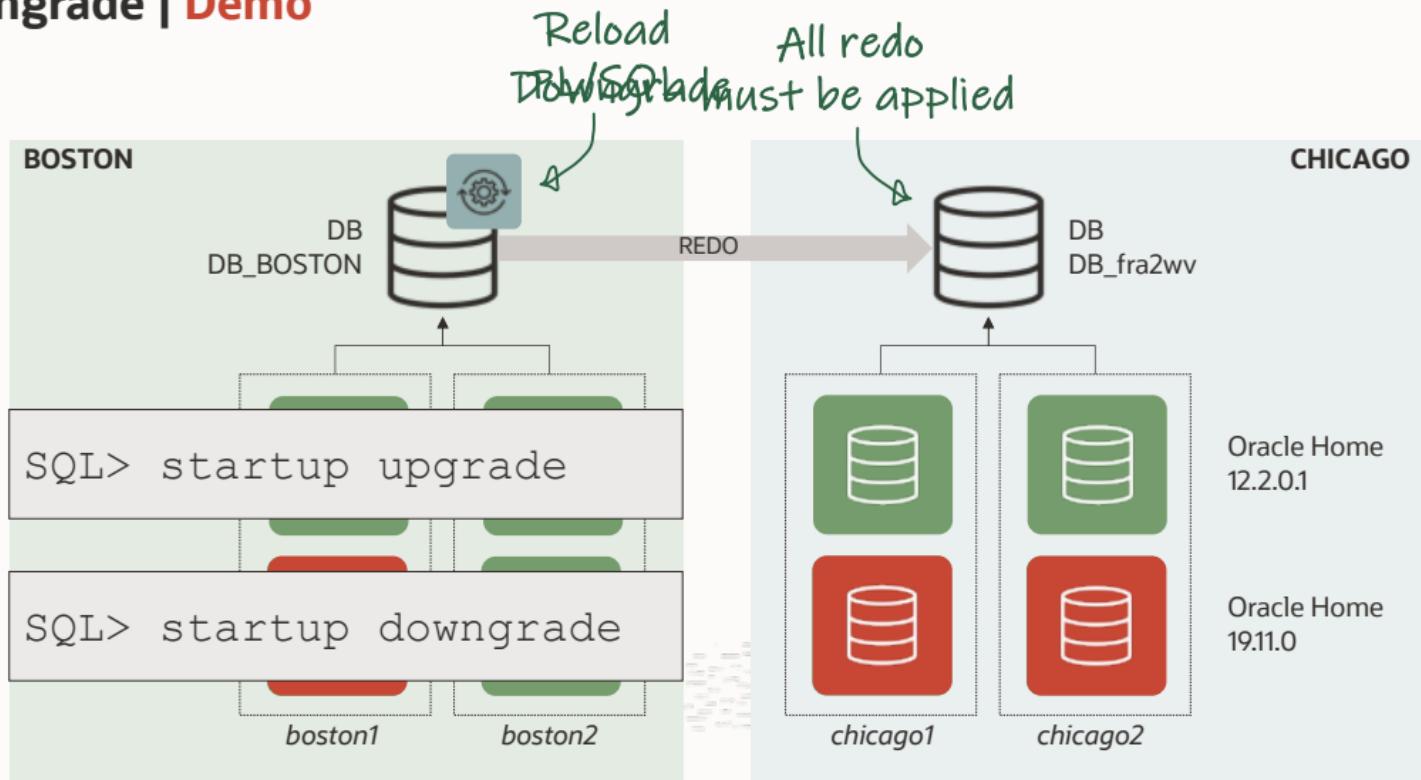


MOS note [2548962.1](#) contains detailed step-by-step instructions on downgrade

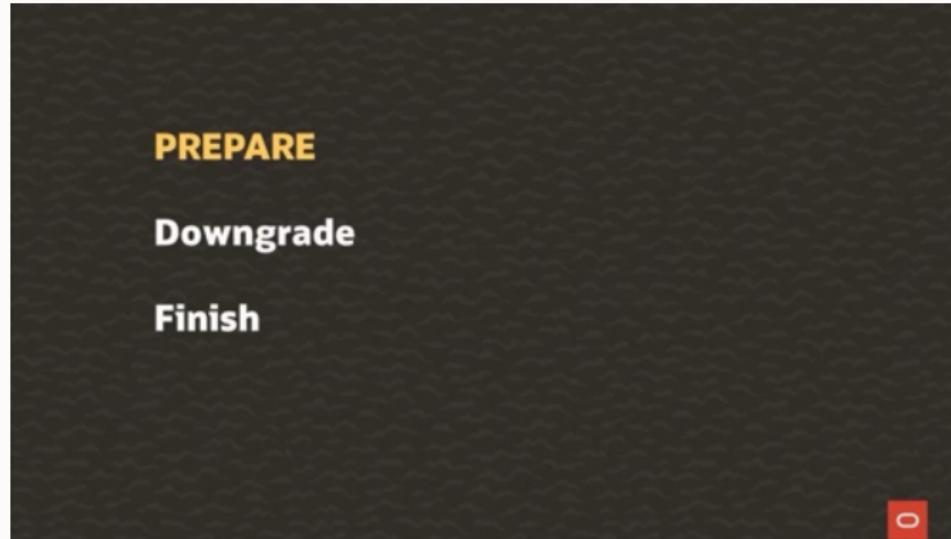
Downgrade | Demo



Downgrade | Demo



Downgrade | Demo



Bug | Flashback and downgrade

Restarting database in previous Oracle Home

```
$ $ORACLE_HOME/bin/srvctl start database -d $ORACLE_UNQNAME
PRCR-1079 : Failed to start resource ora.db_fra25c.db
CRS-5017: The resource action "ora.db_fra25c.db start" encountered the following error:
ORA-01078: failure in processing system parameters
LRM-00101: unknown parameter name '_unified_pga_pool_size'
. For details refer to "(:CLSN00107:)" in
"/u01/app/grid/diag/crs/chicago2/crs/trace/crsd_oraagent_oracle.trc".
```

Create PFile in idle instance, then start up on corrected PFile

```
SQL> create pfile='/tmp/init.ora' from spfile
...
SQL> startup pfile='/tmp/init.ora';
```

Bug | Flashback and downgrade

- Parameter unknown to previous release
- Parameter gets written to SPFile when database is running new release
- New parameters should not be written to SPFile unless COMPATIBLE is raised
- Bug 30072483

fallback and rollback
typical scenarios for

Upgrade

non-CDB to non-CDB
CDB to CDB

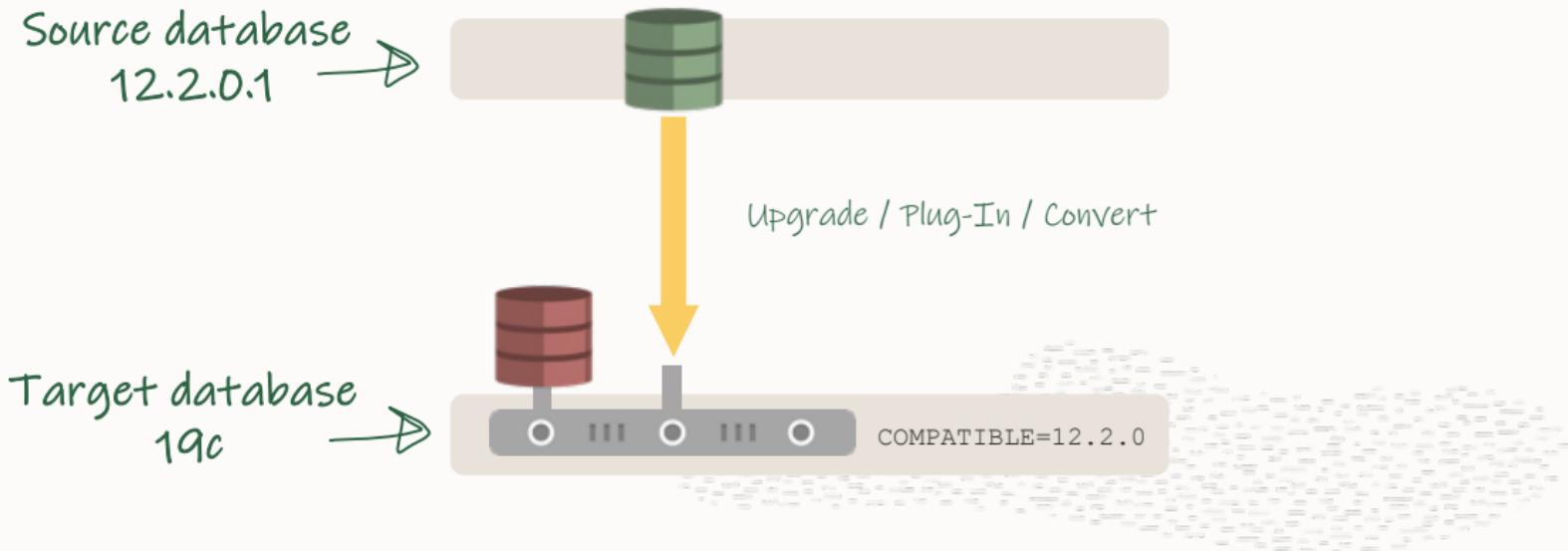
Conversion

non-CDB to PDB

Unplug-Plug

PDB to PDB

12.2 to 19c | Concept



12.2 to 19c | AutoUpgrade

Upgrade - and plug in

```
upg1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/12.2.0.1
upg1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19
upg1.sid=db12
upg1.target_cdb=cdb19c
```

Command

```
java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config DB19.cfg -mode deploy
```

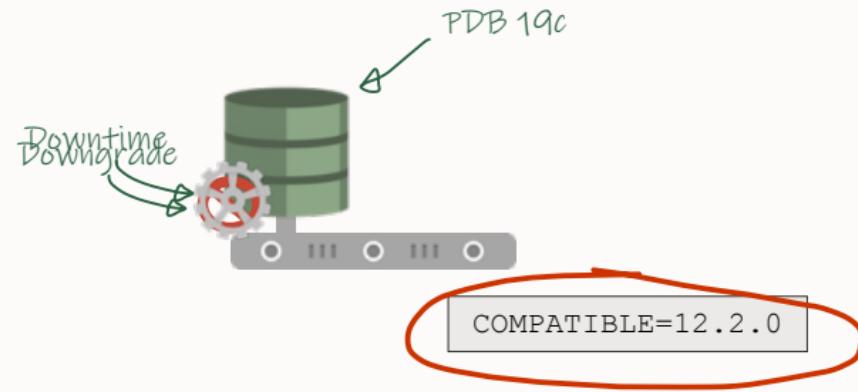
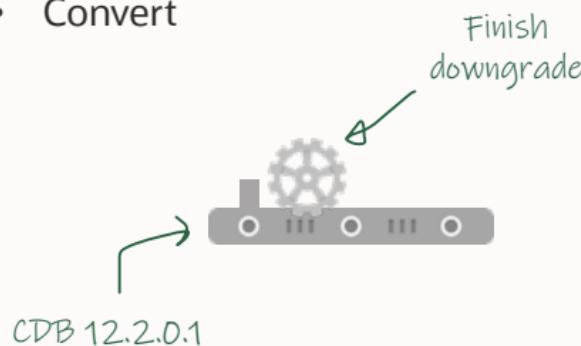
Blog post: [Oracle AutoUpgrade between two servers – and Plugin?](#)

Pro tip: You can also plug in manually and upgrade PDB with `dbupgrade -c DB19`

Fallback | Lower Release CDB

Source database: 12.2 CDB

- Upgrade
- Plug-in
- Convert

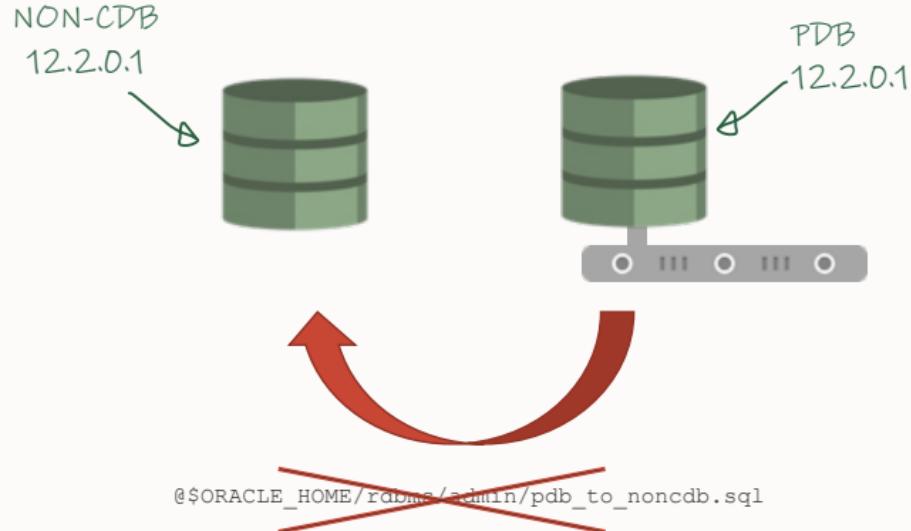


Fallback | PDB Downgrade

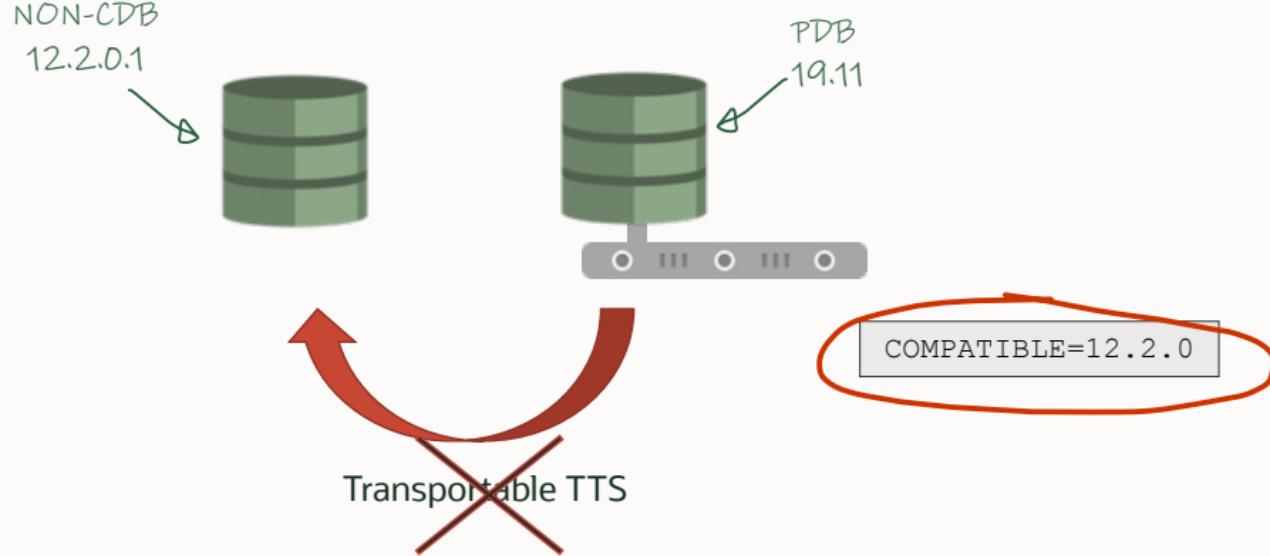
Downgrade works for CDB/PDB entirely as well as for single/multiple PDBs

- Manual tasks
 - `catdwgrd.sql` in current (*after* upgrade) environment
 - `catrelod.sql` in previous (*before* upgrade) environment
 - Don't change COMPATIBLE
- [MOS Note: 2172185.1](#)
[How to Downgrade a Single Pluggable Oracle Database \(PDB \) to previous release](#)

Fallback | Lower Release Non-CDB



Fallback | Lower Release Non-CDB



Fallback | Transportable TTS

Not possible to lower releases

- [Blog post](#)

```
Import: Release 11.2.0.4.0 - Production on Mon Jul 12 16:42:50 2021
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Connected to: Oracle Database 11g Enterprise Edition Release 11.2.0.4.0 - 64bit Production
With the Partitioning, OLAP, Data Mining and Real Application Testing options
ORA-39001: invalid argument value
ORA-39000: bad dump file specification
ORA-39142: incompatible version number 4.1 in dump file "/u01/app/oracle/admin/orcl/dpdump/expdat.dmp"
```

"While a transport tablespace to a lower release may work in some cases, it is not an action that Oracle supports."

[Compatibility and New Features when Transporting Tablespaces with Export and Import \(Doc ID 291024.1\)](#)



How to ...



Non-CDB to PDB conversion is irreversible

Fallback | Concept

Move to Multitenant architecture = **Migration**

1. Usual fallback techniques don't work

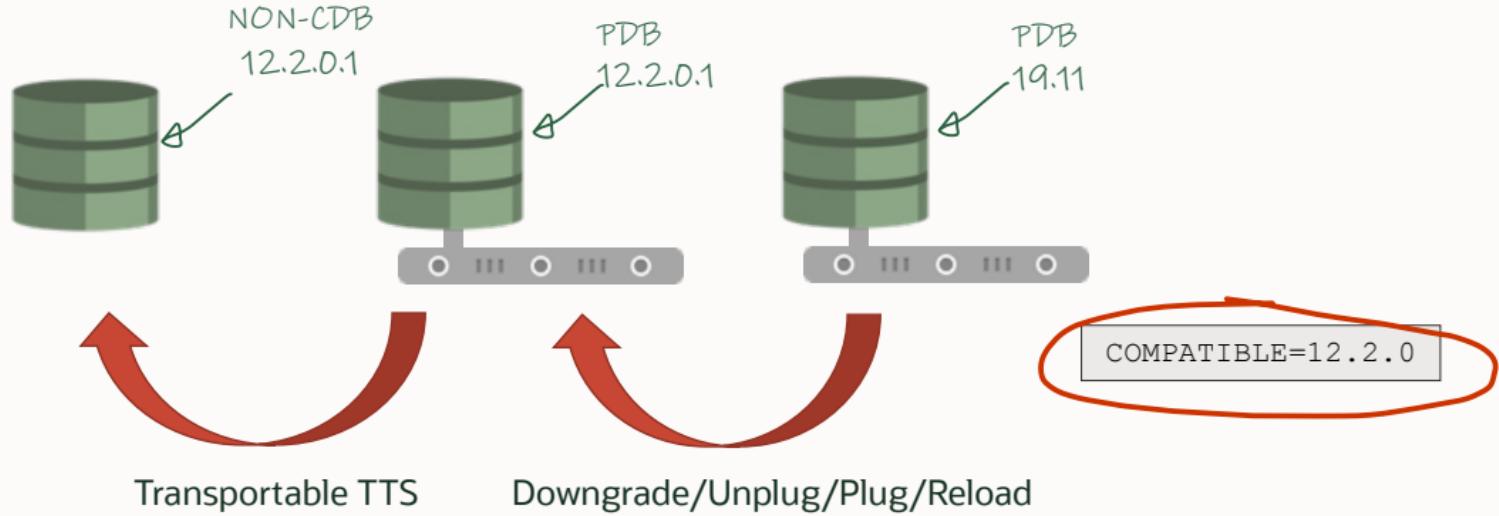
- No downgrade
- No flashback to Restore Point

2. Only possible fallback options

- Data Pump
- GoldenGate
- Transportable Tablespaces (only same version)
- Plug into a source-version CDB



Fallback | Lower Release Non-CDB



Fallback | Full Process



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fallback and rollback
typical scenarios for

Upgrade

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CDB to CDB

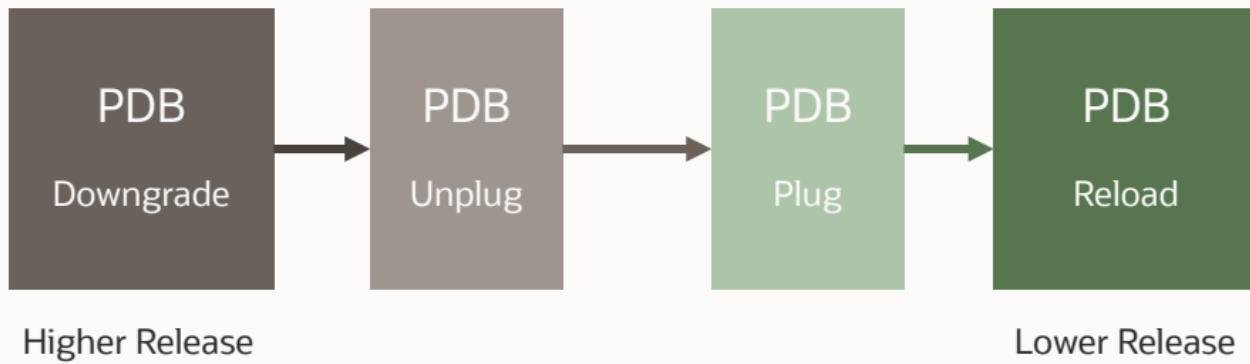
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PDB to PDB

Downgrade-Unplug-Plug | Concept



Downgrade-Unplug-Plug | Silent Compatible Change

Beware of the silent COMPATIBLE change in Multitenant

CDB1

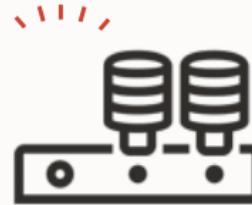
12.2.0.1



COMPATIBLE=12.2.0

CDB2

19.13.0

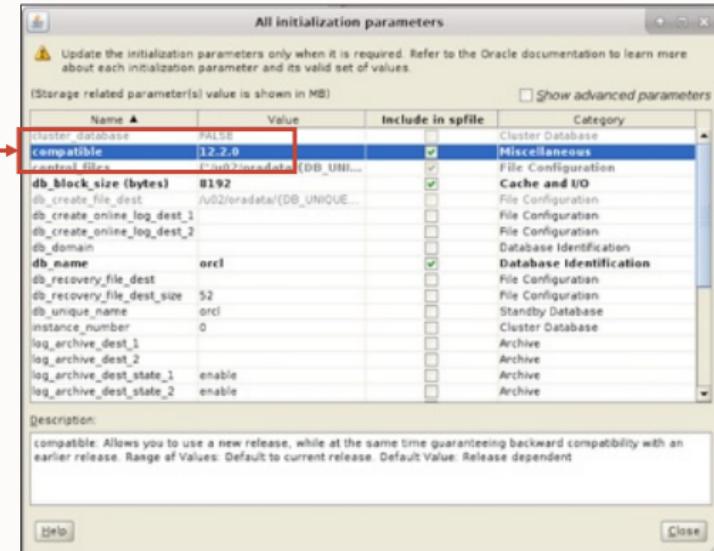
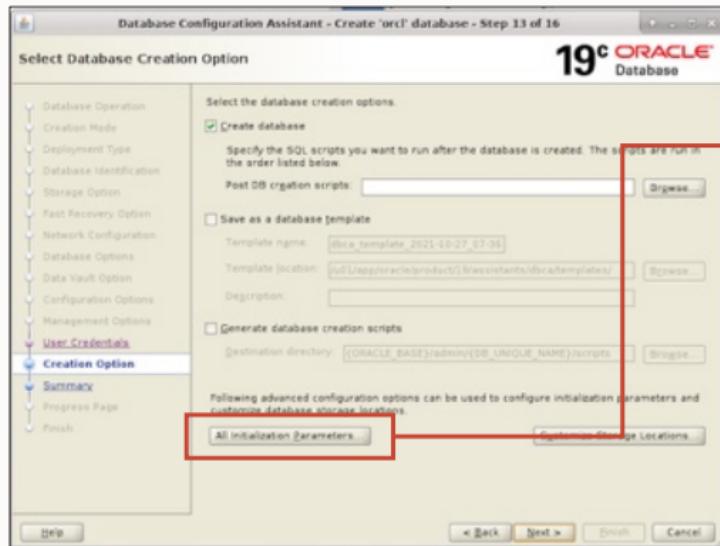


COMPATIBLE=19.1.0

Downgrade-Unplug-Plug | Preparation

Target CDB must have the same COMPATIBLE setting

- CUSTOM database creation



Downgrade-Unplug-Plug | Preparation

Source and target CDB must have the **identical** time zone files present

- Check time zone file in source and target CDBs

```
select * from V$TIMEZONE_FILE;
```

- Install matching time zone patch to source or target home
 - [MOS Note:412160.1](#)

[G.2\) How to apply RDBMS DST patches manually for versions who are not provided:](#)

[G.2.a\) for versions lower than 11.2.0.1 \(11.1.0.7 and lower\):](#)

[G.2.b\) for version 11gr2 \(11.2.0.1 and higher\):](#)

[G.2.c\) for version 12cR1 \(12.1.0.1 or 12.1.0.2\):](#)

[H\) Overview of what DST version is by default used / included in what Oracle RD](#)

[I\) What timezones are known / I'm missing timezones in the Oracle Database / see CET, PST, NZ etc ?](#)

[I\) List of undated Timezones in RDBMS DST updates](#)

Version 26 - tzdata2016d update - <u>patch 22873635</u>
Version 27 - tzdata2016f update - <u>patch 23614158</u>
Version 28 - tzdata2016g update - <u>patch 24701840</u>
Version 29 - tzdata2016j update - <u>patch 25173124</u>
Version 30 - tzdata2017b update - <u>patch 25881255</u>
Version 31 - tzdata2017c update - <u>patch 27015449</u>
Version 32 - tzdata2018e update - <u>patch 28125601</u>
Version 33 - tzdata2018g update - <u>patch 28852325</u>
Version 34 - tzdata2019b update - <u>patch 29997937</u>
Version 35 - tzdata2020a update - <u>patch 31335037</u>
version 36 - tzdata2020e update - <u>patch 32327201</u>

Downgrade-Unplug-Plug | Preparation

Source and target CDB must have the **identical** time zone files present

- Apply time zone patch to CDB\$ROOT

```
SQL> start $ORACLE_HOME/rdbms/admin/utltz_upg_check.sql
SQL> start $ORACLE_HOME/rdbms/admin/utltz_upg_apply.sql
```

- **Attention:** Restart will happen
- Check time zone file version again

```
select * from V$TIMEZONE_FILE;
```

Downgrade-Unplug-Plug | No Compatible Change

Both CDBs must have identical COMPATIBLE settings

- Downgrade possibility

CDB1

12.2.0.1



COMPATIBLE=12.2.0

CDB2

19.13.0

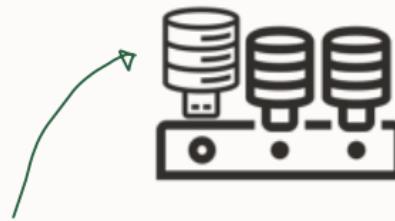


COMPATIBLE=12.2.0

Downgrade-Unplug-Plug | PDB Downgrade

Downgrade PDB in higher release CDB

- Cleanup unified audit trail



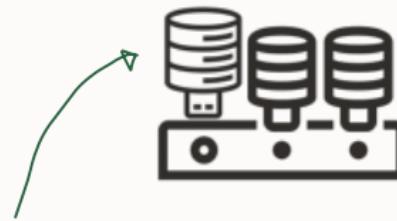
```
SELECT COUNT(*) FROM UNIFIED_AUDIT_TRAIL;
```

```
exec DBMS_AUDIT_MGMT.CLEAN_AUDIT_TRAIL(DBMS_AUDIT_MGMT.AUDIT_TRAIL_UNIFIED, FALSE);
```

Downgrade-Unplug-Plug | PDB Downgrade

Downgrade PDB in higher release CDB

- Shutdown PDB
- Start PDB in DOWNGRADE mode



```
alter pluggable database PDB1 open downgrade;
```

Downgrade-Unplug-Plug | PDB Downgrade

Downgrade the PDB

- Logs default: \$ORACLE_HOME/cfgtoollogs/downgrade



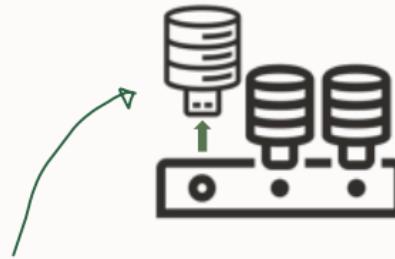
```
$> chmod +x $ORACLE_HOME/bin/db downgrade
```

```
$> db downgrade -c 'PDB1'
```

Downgrade-Unplug-Plug | PDB Unplug

Unplug the PDB

- Shutdown
- Unplug



```
alter pluggable database PDB1 close;
```

```
alter pluggable database PDB1 unplug into '/tmp/pdb1.xml';
```

Downgrade-Unplug-Plug | PDB Plugin

Plugin the PDB into the source CDB

- Cleanup potentially existing files in destination
- FILE_NAME_CONVERT will trigger the copy operation

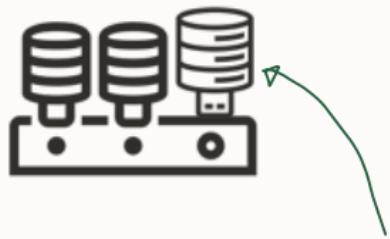


```
create pluggable database PDB1 using '/tmp/pdb1.xml'  
  file_name_convert=('CDB2','CDB1');
```

Downgrade-Unplug-Plug | PDB Reload

Reload all packages and code

- Open the PDB in UPGRADE mode
- Start reload script `catrelod.sql`



```
alter pluggable database PDB1 open upgrade;
```

```
alter session set container=PDB1;
```

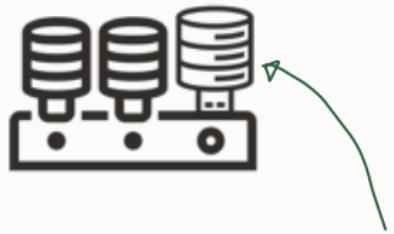
```
start ?/rdbms/admin/catrelod.sql
```

Pro tip: Spool the output of `catrelod.sql` into a logfile

Downgrade-Unplug-Plug | PDB Recompilation

Recompilation

- Start `utlrp.sql`



```
@$ORACLE_HOME/rdbms/admin/utlrp.sql
```

Downgrade-Unplug-Plug | **Finalize**

Stop and restart the PDB



```
alter pluggable database PDB1 close;
```

```
alter pluggable database PDB1 open;
```



Plan carefully and ensure COMPATIBLE and time zone are equal between source and target CDBs – and test it!



Can you use a refreshable clone PDB
for downgrades?

Downgrade | Refreshable Clone PDB

PDB has been plugged in and upgrade to 19c

- Refreshable clone back into previous release

```
SQL> create pluggable database PDB1 from PDB1@clonemypdb
      REFRESH MODE MANUAL file_name_convert=('CDB2','CDB1');
create pluggable database PDB1 from PDB1@clonemypdb REFRESH MODE MANUAL ...
*
ERROR at line 1:
ORA-65156: pluggable database version 19.0.0.0.0 not allowed
```

- You can clone only to the same or a higher release CDB

Unplug-Plug-Downgrade | [More Information](#)

- [MOS Note: 2421060.1](#)
[How to Downgrade a Single Pluggable Oracle Database \(PDB \) from to previous release](#)
- [MOS Note: 2172185.1](#)
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Convert to PDB AutoUpgrade			 UPGR   CDB2
Migrate to 19c Full transportable export/import	 FTEX		 CDB2 / PDB2
Unplug-plug upgrade AutoUpgrade		 PDB3	 CDB2
Upgrade to 19c AutoUpgrade	 DB12		

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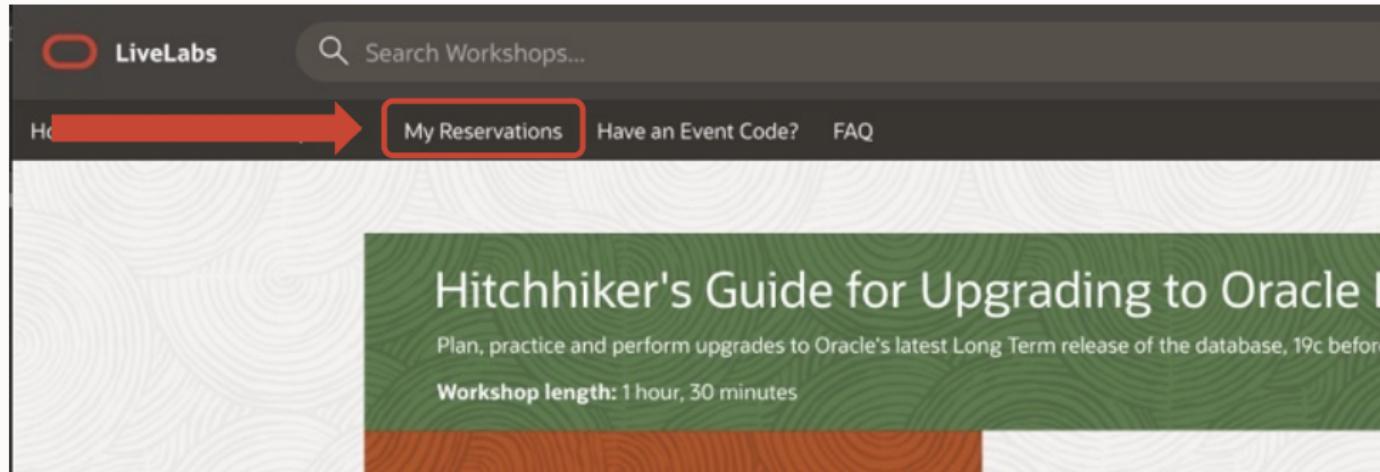
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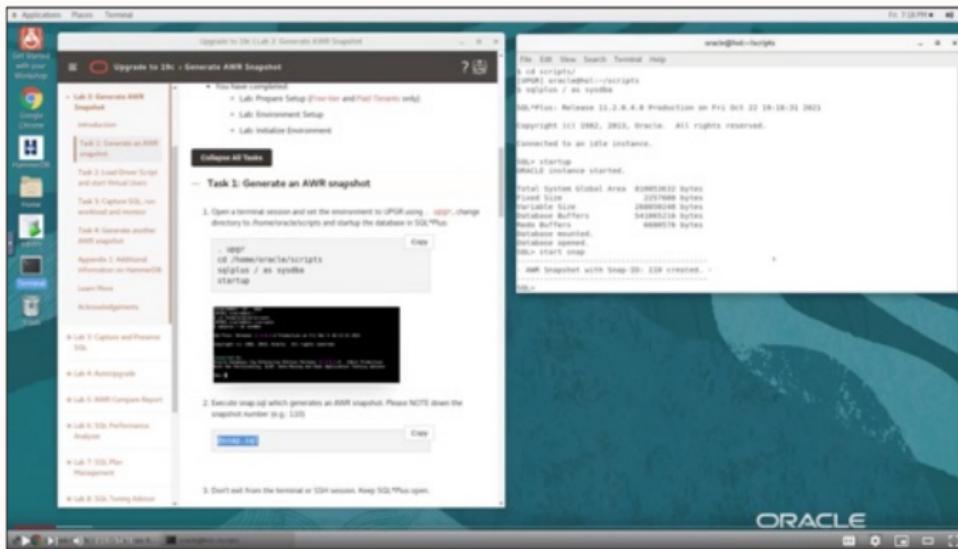
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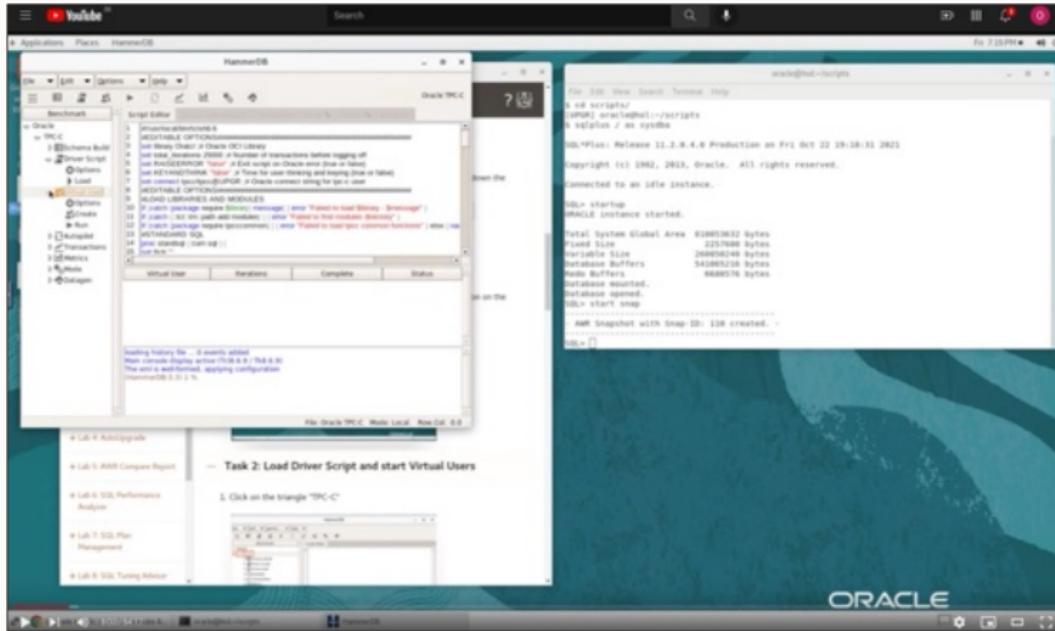
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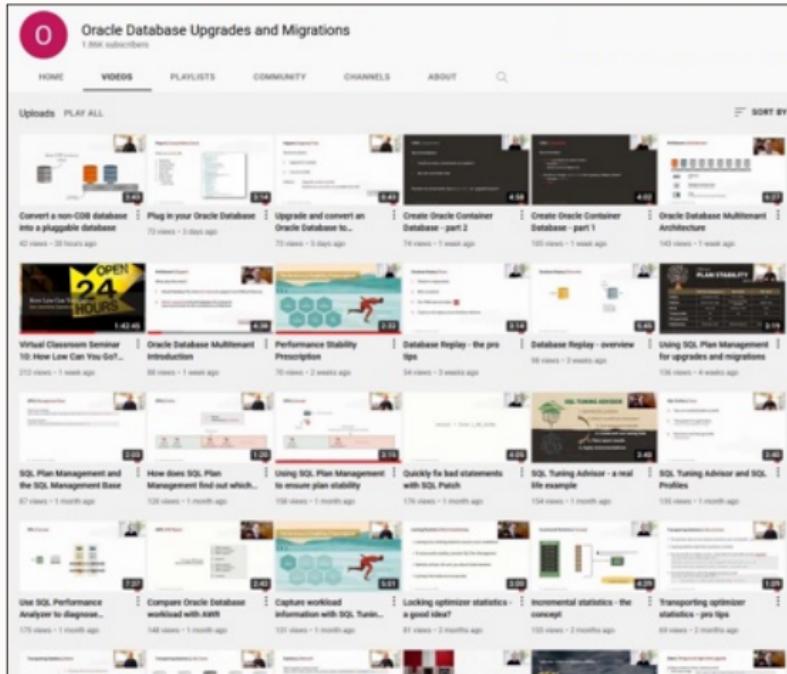


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