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Oracle Database 19c



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105 minutes - Feb 4, 2021

Episode 2

AutoUpgrade to Oracle Database 19c

115 minutes - Feb 20, 2021



Episode 3

Performance Stability, Tips and Tricks and Underscores

120 minutes - Mar 4, 2021



Episode 4

Migration to Oracle Multitenant

120 minutes - Mar 16, 2021



Episode 5

Migration Strategies - Insights, Tips and Secrets

120 minutes - Mar 25, 2021



Episode 6

Move to the Cloud - Not only for techies

115 minutes - Apr 8, 2021



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

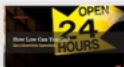
90 minutes - May 19, 2021



NEW Episode 10

How Low Can You Go? Minimal Downtime Upgrade Strategies

130 minutes - Oct 26, 2021



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<https://MikeDietrichDE.com/videos>



A photograph of a rocket launch at night. A bright orange arc of light curves across a dark blue sky, starting from a point on the horizon where the rocket is launching. The launch site is visible on the right side of the image, with some lights and structures. The foreground shows a body of water and some land.

Chapter 2

Upgrade to Oracle Database 19c

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



Upgrade using

AutoUpgrade

complete

AUTOMATION

rich on

FEATURES

fleet

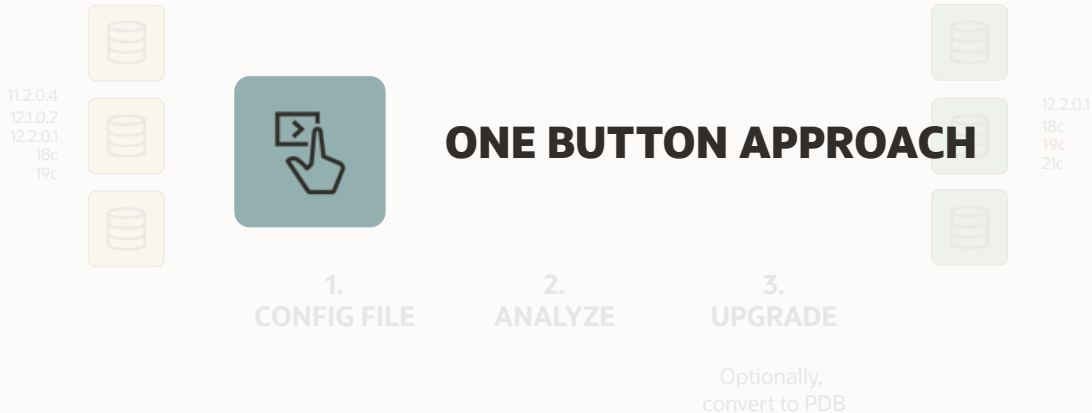
SCALE

highly

RECOMMENDED



AutoUpgrade | Overview



Get started | Quick Start Guide

Simple overview

Read it, try it

Download from [oracle.com](https://www.oracle.com)





Check

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

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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)

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Certification Search



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Certification Results

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 Back Oracle Database 19.0.0.0.0 has certifications on the following Operating System releases. Choose a release from the list.

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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 System

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 And Nair has pointed it out already many times: **Of course, Oracle Clusterware is certified on OL8/RHEL8 as well.**



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

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Oracle Database 19c is certified on OL8 and RHEL8

Posted on May 11, 2020 by Mike Dietrich Operating System

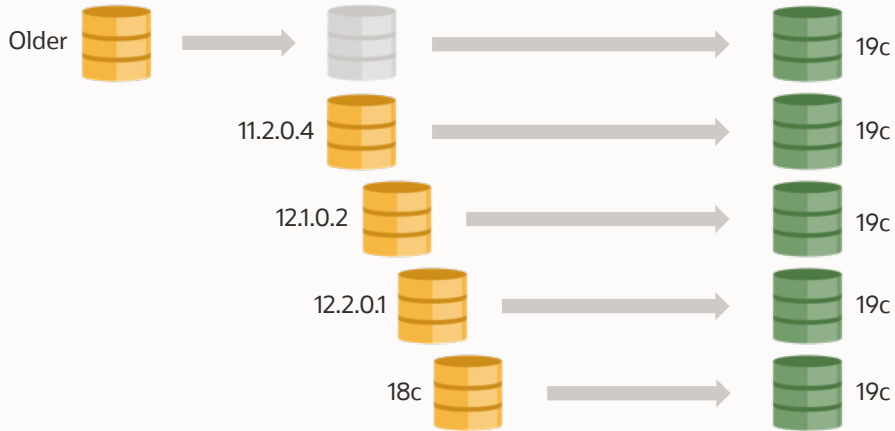
Oh ... I'd say this was the question I've got asked the second most often in the past months (after a potential [extension for Oracle 12.2.0.1 support](#)): **When will Oracle certify OL8 and RHEL8?** And I read this question internally even more often. Now thanks to [my team mate Daniel Overby Hansen](#) 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.**



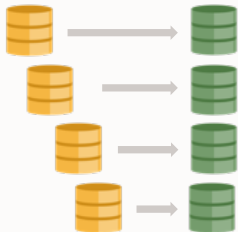
Oracle Database 19c is certified on OL8 and RHEL8

Photo by Derek Open on Unsplash

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

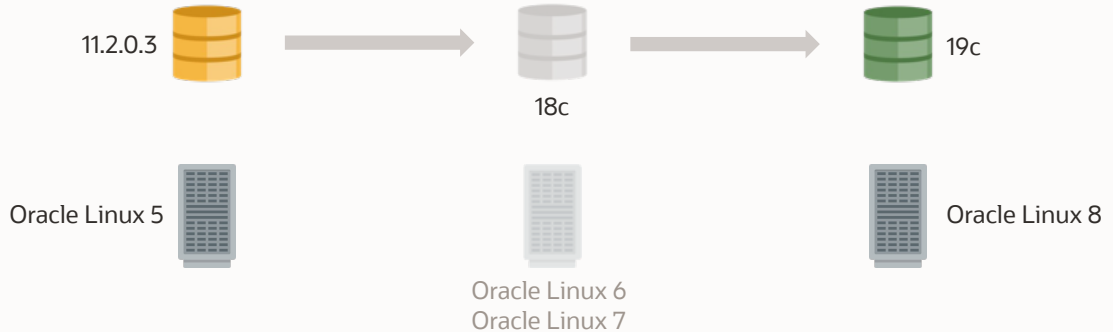
[Database Upgrade Guide](#)

Database Upgrade | Intermediate Upgrades

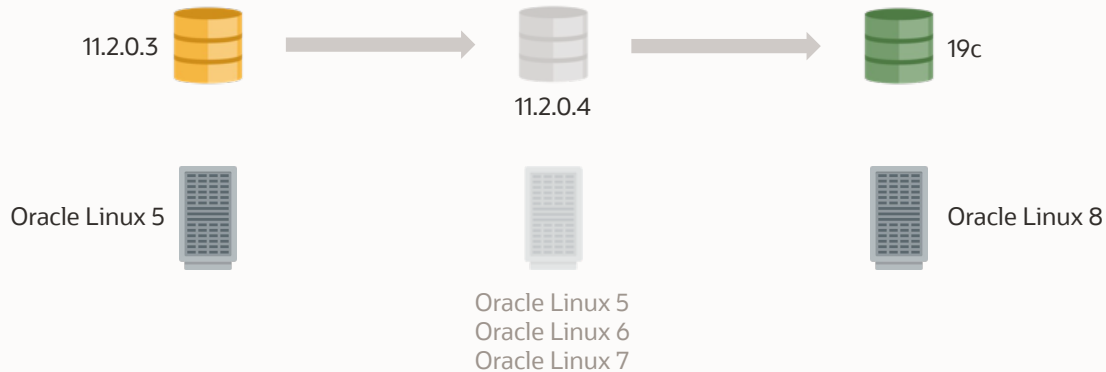


- Ideally - upgrade **as far as possible** in the intermediate upgrade
- But often there is a platform upgrades as well
- So - **it depends**

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](#)
[Database Installation op](#)
[Database Edition](#)
[Installation Location](#)
[Operating System Groups](#)
[Root script execution](#)
[Prerequisite Checks](#)

During the software configuration, the "root" user is used. You can choose to run the configuration automatically by specifying the "root" user credential. The specified user will also be used for the prerequisite checks.

☐ Automatically run configuration

☒ Use "root" user credential

Password :

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

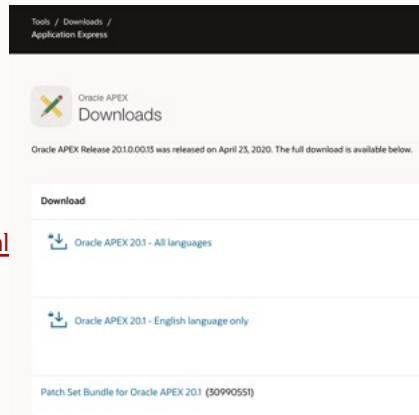
- Not part of the database upgrade
- [MOS Note: 1088970.1](#) - Master Note APEX Upgrades

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>




The screenshot shows the Oracle APEX Downloads page. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the text "Tools / Downloads / Application Express". Below this, the "Oracle APEX Downloads" header is visible. A message states: "Oracle APEX Release 20.1.0.00.15 was released on April 23, 2020. The full download is available below." Under the "Download" section, there are two download links, each with a download icon (a blue square with a white arrow pointing down): "Oracle APEX 20.1 - All languages" and "Oracle APEX 20.1 - English language only". At the bottom of the page, there is a link for the "Patch Set Bundle for Oracle APEX 20.1 (30990551)".

Upgrade 19c | Speed it up

Check when dictionary stats have been gathered the last time

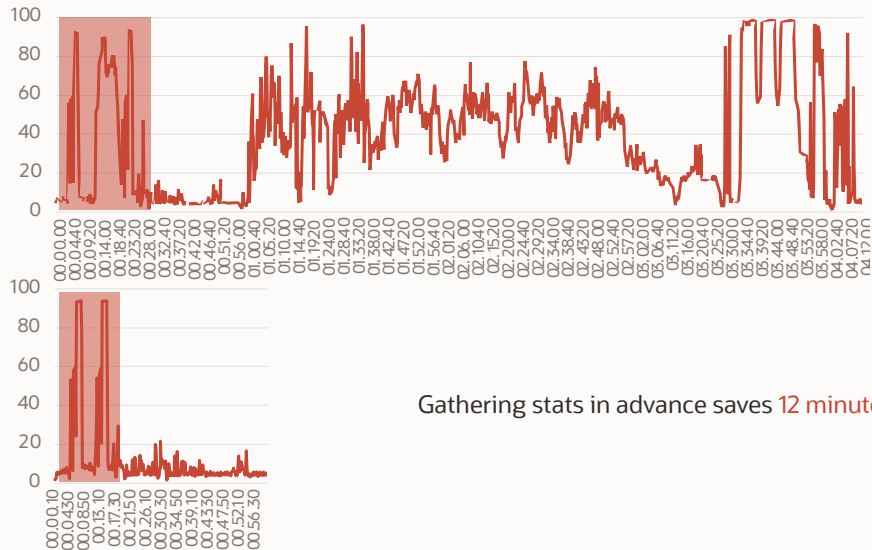
```
SELECT
  to_char(max(end_time), 'dd-mon-yy hh24:mi') latest, operation
FROM
  dba_optstat_operations
WHERE
  operation in ('gather_dictionary_stats', 'gather_fixed_objects_stats')
GROUP BY
  operation;
```



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



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 semmsn 32000 semopm 100 semnmi 128 shmall Greater than or equal to the value of shmmax, in pages. shmmax Half the size of physical memory in bytes shmnm 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



ORAch 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)
SOURCE$ 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**



START

1. DOWNLOAD

2. CONFIG

3. DEPLOY

SUCCESS

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

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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

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



START

1. DOWNLOAD

2. CONFIG

3. DEPLOY

SUCCESS

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

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



AutoUpgrade Essentials



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Analyze

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Always download latest version from MOS

 **AutoUpgrade Tool (Doc ID 2485457.1)**

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[AutoUpgrade documentation](#)

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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
```

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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

ORACLE®					
Date: Tue Jan 12 10:26:19 CET 2021					
Number of Jobs: 1					
Job ID: 100					
DB Name: CDB1					
DB Version Before Upgrade: 12.2.0.1.0					
DB Version After Upgrade: 19.9.0.0.0					
Autoupgrade Stage List					
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

Containers

CDB\$ROOT
PreChecks Recommend(3)
PreChecks Info(4)
PostChecks Warning(3)
PostChecks Recommend(3)

PDB\$SEED
PreChecks Recommend(3)
PreChecks Info(3)
PostChecks Warning(3)
PostChecks Recommend(3)

PDB3
PreChecks Warning(2)
PreChecks Recommend(3)
PreChecks Info(3)
PostChecks Warning(4)
PostChecks Recommend(3)

PDB1
PreChecks Recommend(3)
PreChecks Info(3)
PostChecks Warning(3)

CDB\$ROOT

CheckName	FixUp Available	Severity	RECOMMEND	Stage	PRECHECKS
Dictionary statistics	YES	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).					
Hidden parameters	NO	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:					

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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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```
...
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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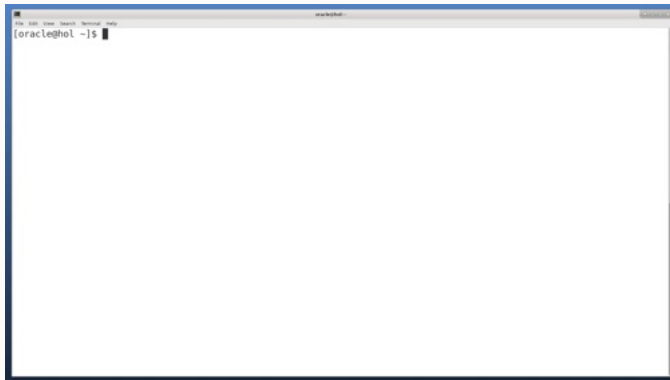
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One-liner using environment variables

```
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**

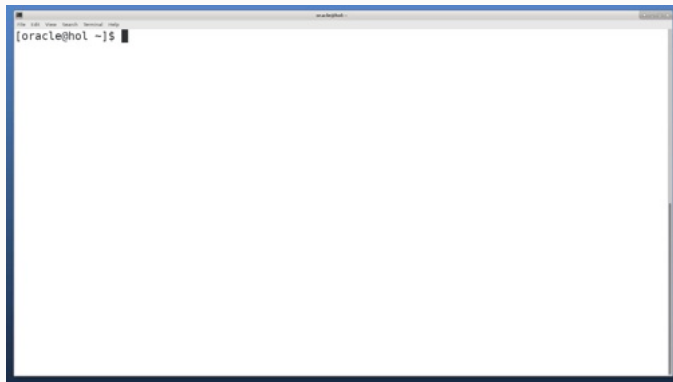
```
deferred_segment_creation=false
_cursor_obsolete_threshold=1024
_sql_plan_directive_mgmt_control=0
_use_single_log_writer=true
```

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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

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

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

```
upgl.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:

```
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
```

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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
01:09:04	PM	all	96.75	0.00	2.30	0.03	0.00	0.92
01:09:14	PM	all	96.31	0.00	3.14	0.00	0.00	0.55
01:09:24	PM	all	95.72	0.03	4.07	0.00	0.00	0.18
01:09:34	PM	all	97.84	0.00	1.87	0.00	0.00	0.28
01:09:44	PM	all	97.12	0.00	2.06	0.01	0.00	0.81
01:09:54	PM	all	95.67	0.00	1.85	0.01	0.00	2.47
01:10:04	PM	all	95.39	0.00	2.95	0.01	0.00	1.65
01:10:14	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

AutoUpgrade | Advanced Options – Monitoring Demo

Current Upgrade Status					
JobId	DbName	Stage	Operation	Status	Details
102	CDB1	DBUPGRADE	EXECUTING	RUNNING	[Upgrading] is [0%] completed for [cdb1-sales] +-----+ [CONTAINER] PERCENTAGE +-----+ SALES UPGRADE [0%] PDB2 UPGRADE [0%] +-----+
103	DB12	DBUPGRADE	EXECUTING	RUNNING	[Upgrading] is [0%] completed for [db12] +-----+ [CONTAINER] PERCENTAGE +-----+ DB12 UPGRADE [0%] +-----+

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AutoUpgrade | 4 Operation Modes



autoupgrade.jar

-analyze

-fixups

-upgrade

-deploy

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
```

AutoUpgrade | Fast Deploy



autoupgrade.jar

-analyze

-fixups

-upgrade

```
$ 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 | Traditional



Analyze



Analyze



Fixups



Upgrade

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

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

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Analyze



Fixups



Upgrade

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

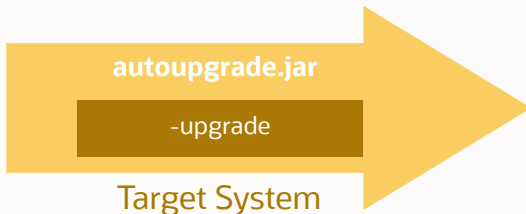
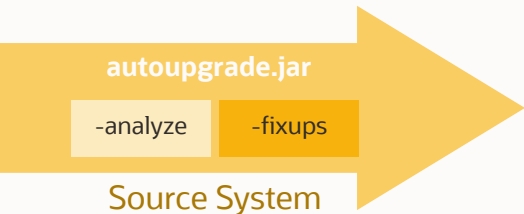
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Between fixups and downtime there is a risk that new, undetected issues are introduced

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

AutoUpgrade | Move to new hardware



```
$ 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
 - ...

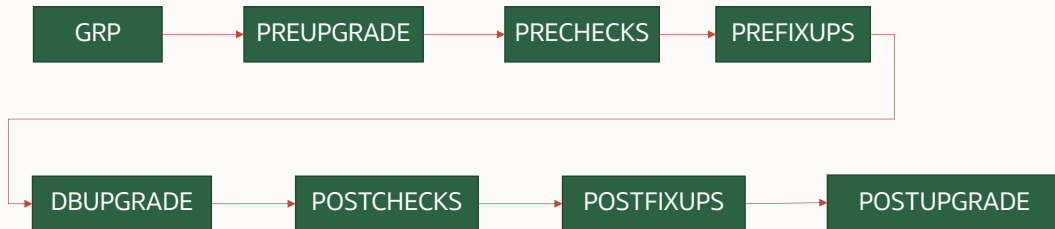


Proactive Fixups result in
faster upgrades of CDBs with many PDBs

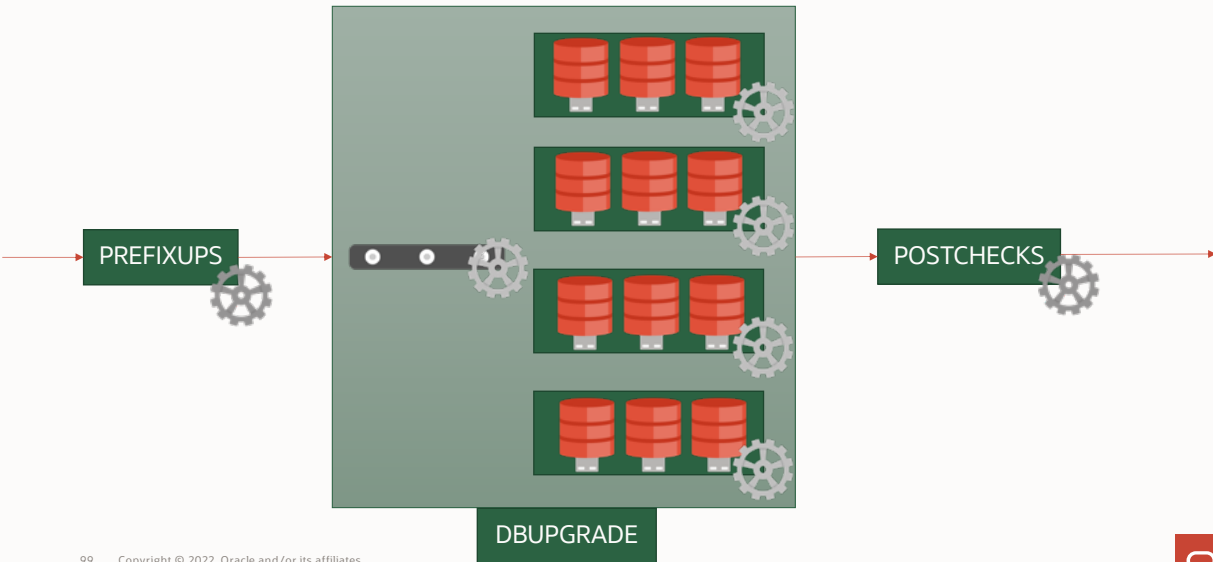
Proactive Fixups | **What is it?**

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

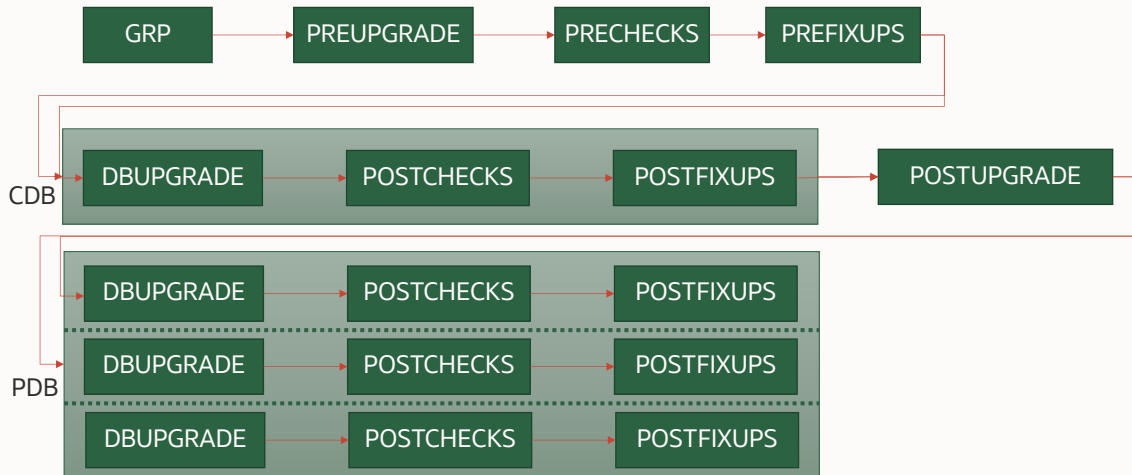
Proactive Fixups | Classic Flow



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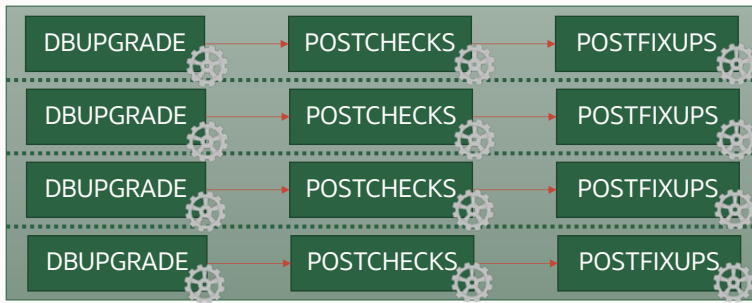


Proactive Fixups | New Flow



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

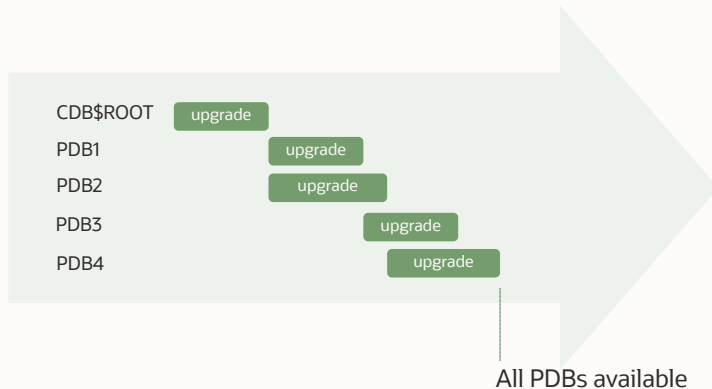


Restore point protects on CDB level only
Only entire CDB can be flashed back

Proactive Fixups | **Availability**

DEFAULT

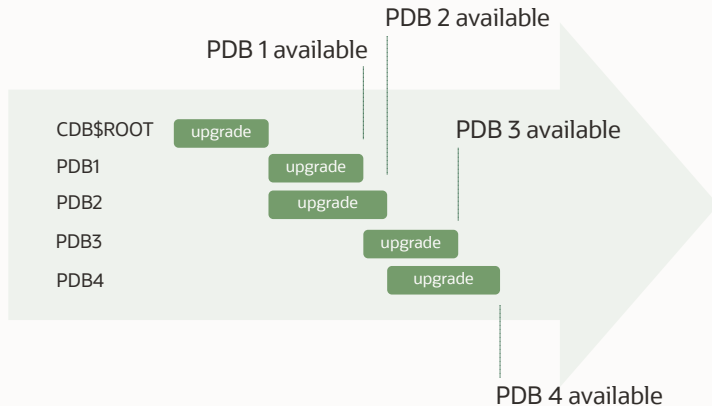
`make_pdb_available=false`

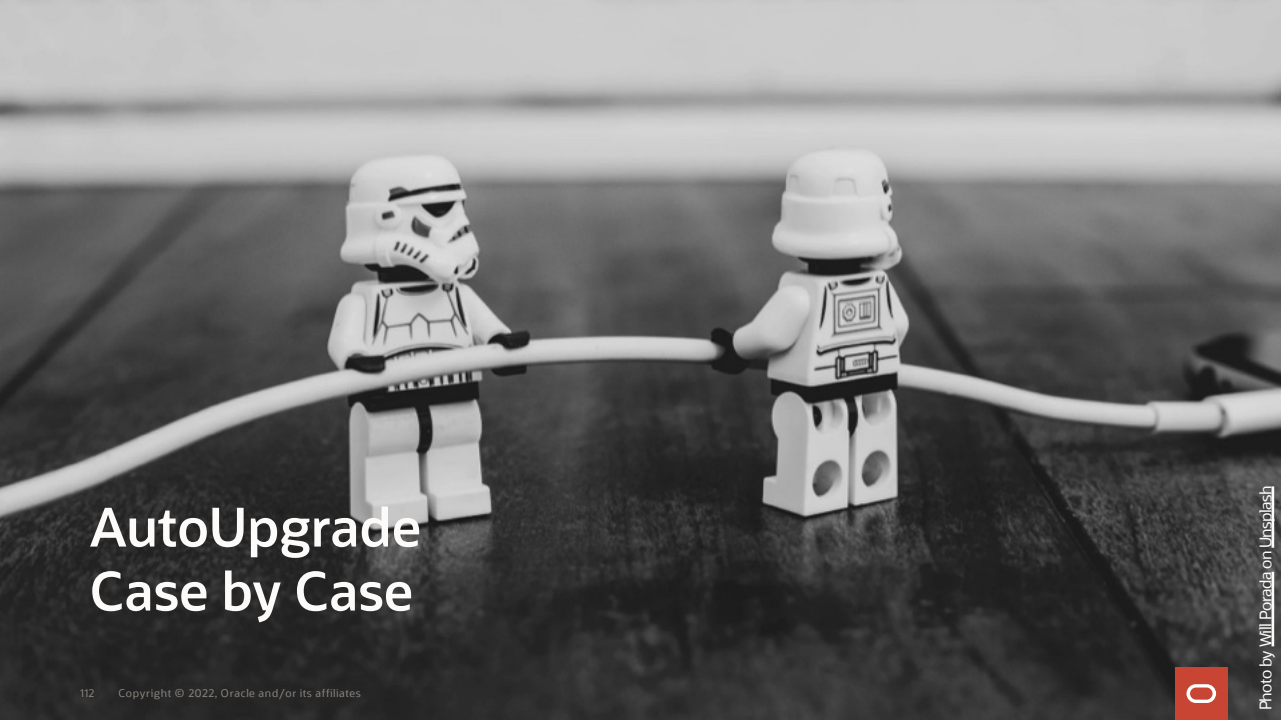


Proactive Fixups | Availability

IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE

```
make_pdb_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
```




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`/etc/oratab`
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Datapatch

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Hot clone

Refreshable clone

RAC

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...



What's missing

Windows

RAC rolling

Data Guard standby-first



AutoUpgrade

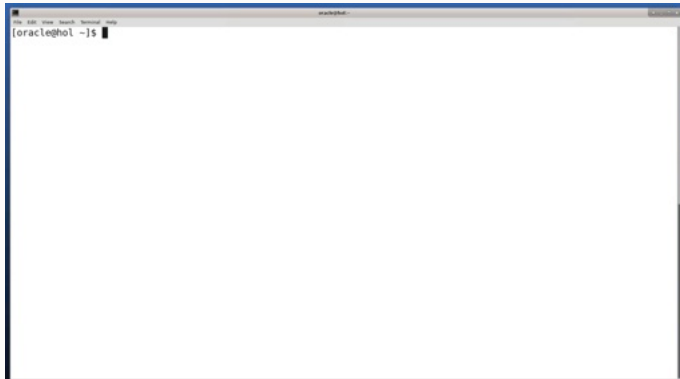
Automate your patching process and benefit from the familiar AutoUpgrade



Fleet Patching and Provisioning

Go fleet scale with FPP and benefit from additional functionality like deployment of Oracle Home

Patching from 19.14.0 to 19.16.0



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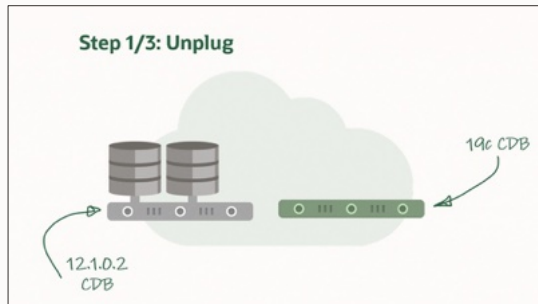
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Unplug / Plug / Upgrade

AutoUpgrade | Unplug-plug Upgrade

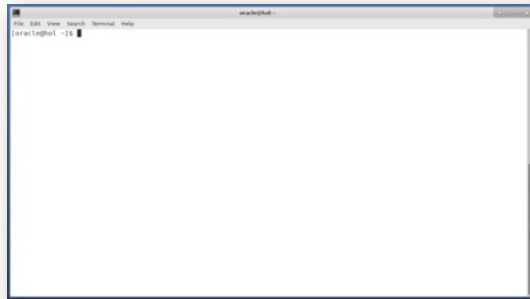
Upgrade a single PDB

- 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

```
upg1.sid=CDB12102  
upg1.target_cdb=CDB19  
upg1.pdb$=pdb1  
upg1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/12102  
upg1.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

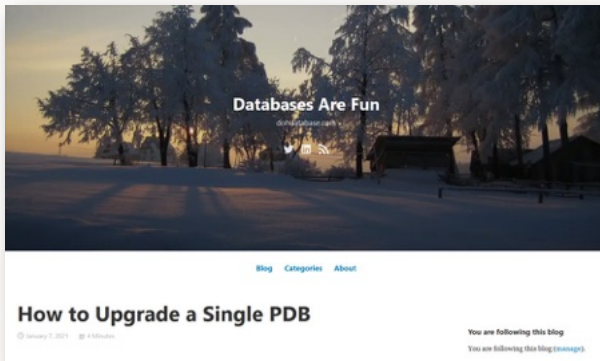
```
upg1.pdbs=pdb1  
upg1.target_pdb_copy_option.pdb1=file_name_convert=('pdb1','sales')
```

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

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

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

Upgrade to a new server | Demo



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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

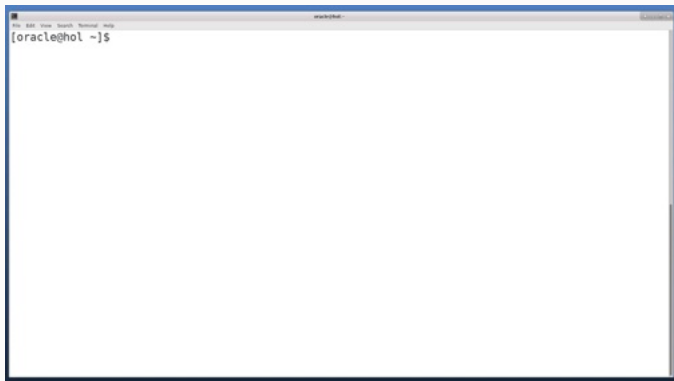
Fully automated plug-in, **copy** data files

```
upgl.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19
upgl.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19
upgl.sid=DB19
upgl.target_cdb=CDB2
upgl.target_pdb_name=SALES
#Copy files and perform search/replace on file names
upgl.target_pdb_copy_option=file_name_convert=('DB19','SALES')
#Copy files and generate new OMF file names
upgl.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



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



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

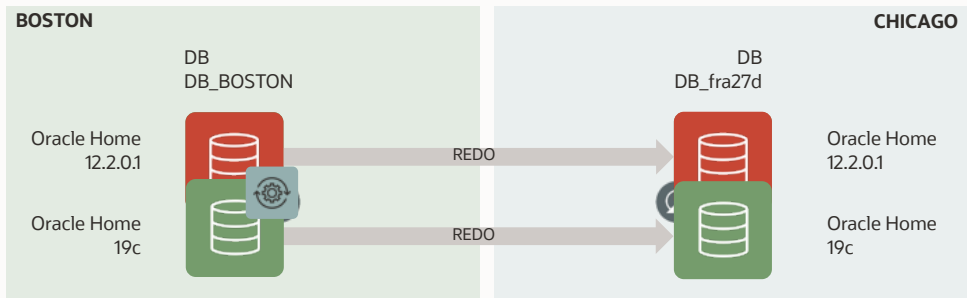
Protected by guaranteed restore point

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

12.2.0.1
CDB



19c
CDB / PDB



19c
CDB / PDB

```
$ cat PDB1.cfg
upgl_pdbbs=PDB1
upgl_sid=CDB123
upgl_target_sid=
...

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

CON_NAME	OPEN MODE
PDB1	READ WRITE

```
SQL> show pdbs
```

```
RMAN> restore pluggable database
      pdb1 from service .... ;
```

```
SQL> alter pluggable database
      enable recovery;
SQL> alter database datafile
      ... online;
```

```
SQL> CREATE PLUGGABLE DATABASE
      PDB1 USING
      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

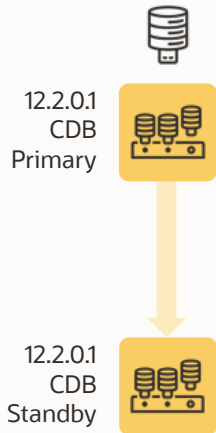
Special care is required

- 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
```

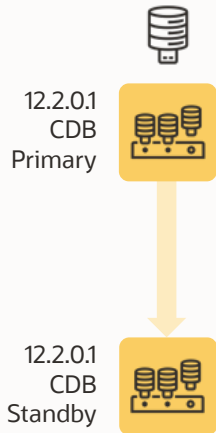
```
-----  
+DATA/DB_BOSTON/DD934E8207292138E053E801000A8351/DATAFILE/system.269.1103046537  
+DATA/DB_BOSTON/DD934E8207292138E053E801000A8351/DATAFILE/sysaux.270.1103046537  
+DATA/DB_BOSTON/DD934E8207292138E053E801000A8351/DATAFILE/undotbs1.268.1103046537  
+DATA/DB_BOSTON/DD934E8207292138E053E801000A8351/DATAFILE/users.273.1103046827
```

```
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

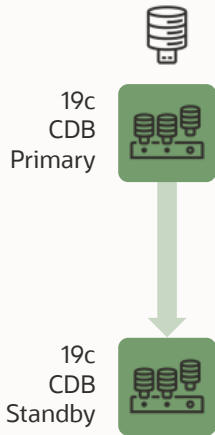


The manifest file contains

- File path on primary database only
- 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

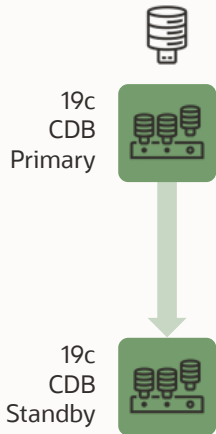


```
SQL> create pluggable database PDB1 using '/tmp/manifest_PDB1.xml' ... ;
```

- Manifest file lists the location of data files on primary
- No information about standby databases
- Standby database expect data files at the same location as on primary



Data Guard | Re-use data files



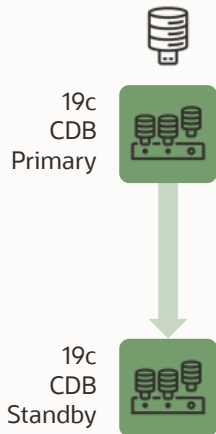
I will just move the files in ASM!

```
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 '...' ;
```

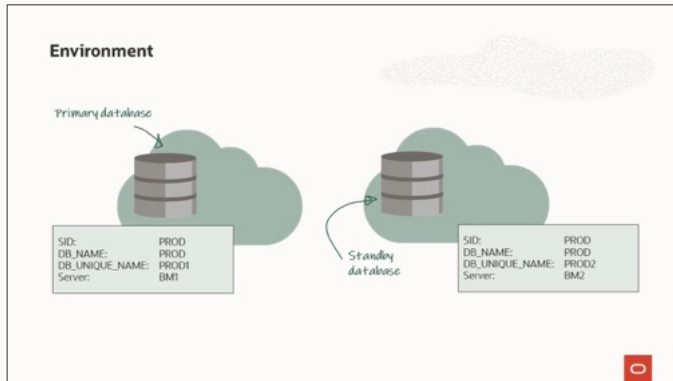
- Plug in PDB, standby will find aliases and find the real file locations
From alert log

```
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

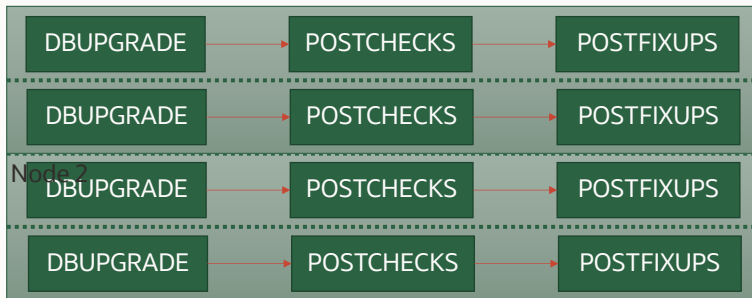


Distributed upgrade uses all nodes in a cluster resulting in faster upgrades of CDBs

- 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

CDB\$ROOT

PDB1

PDB3

PDB5

PDB7

PDB2

PDB4

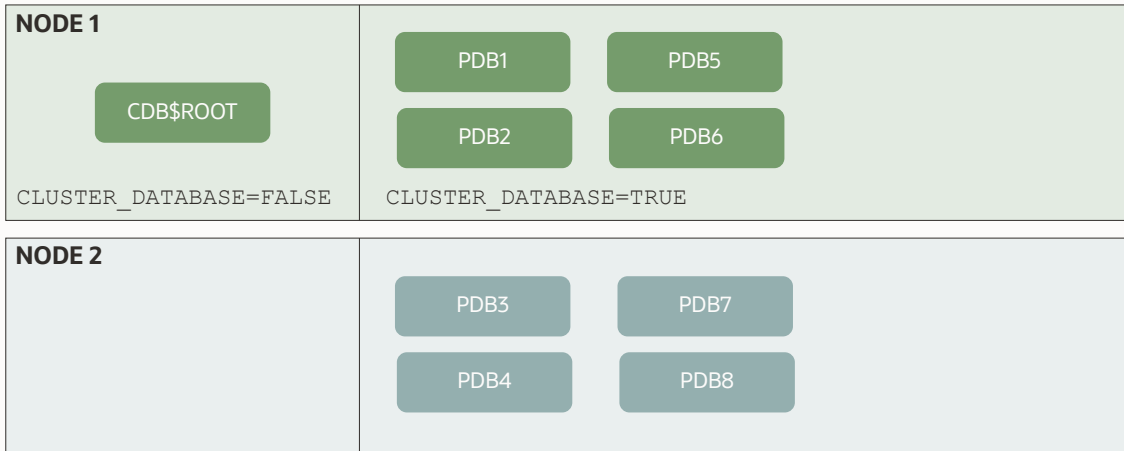
PDB6

PDB8

CLUSTER_DATABASE=FALSE

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.autoupg_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.autoupg_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

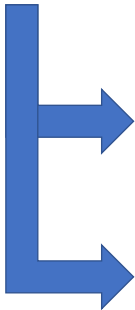
```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config mod.conf \  
-mode upgrade -noconsole -follower
```

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.autoupg_log_dir=/u01/app/oracle/cfgtoollogs/autoupgrade/CDB12_iad1d7/au_logs
```

```
# Databases section
```

```
# Database Batch 1
```

```
batch1.sid=CDB121
```

Uses ORACLE_BASE

```
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.pdbs=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.pdbs=PDB02,PDB06,PDB07,PDB08,PDB09
```

```
batch2.tune_setting=DISTRIBUTED_UPGRADE=true,PROACTIVE_FIXUPS=true
```

Node 1 (au1) receives 5 PDBs

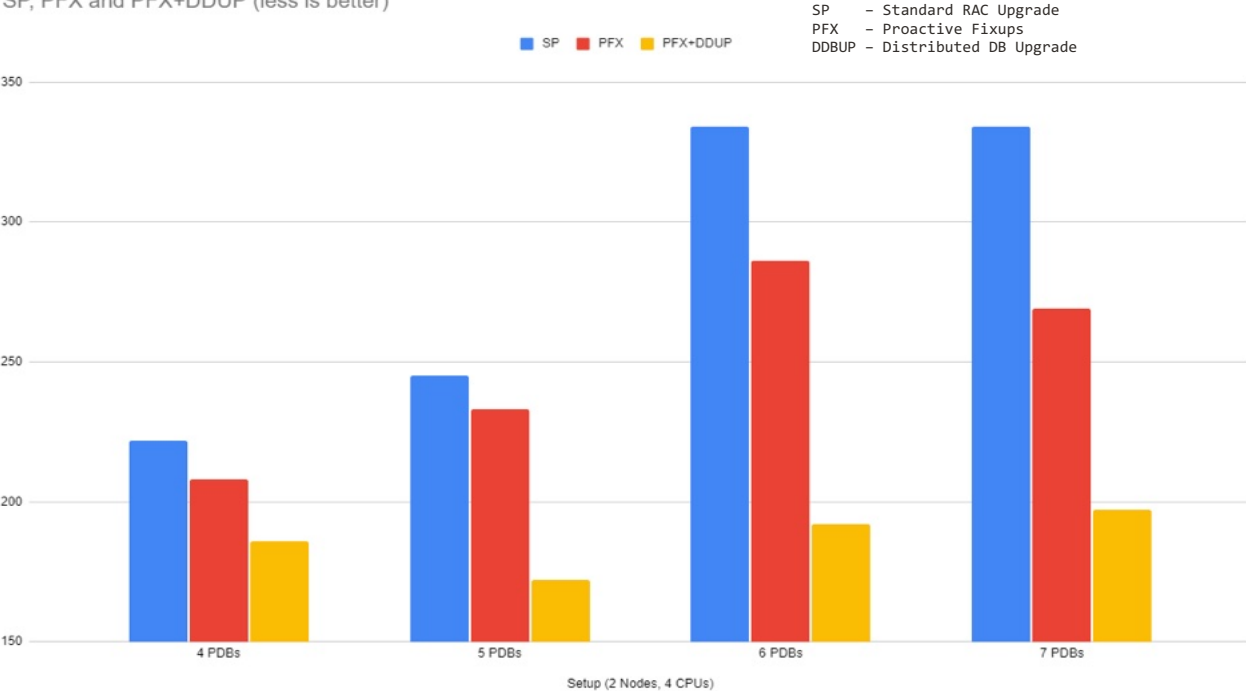
Node 2 (au2) also receives another 5 PDBs

Distributed Upgrade | Demo



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



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

```
upg1.tune_setting=distributed_upgrade=true,active_nodes_limit=n
```

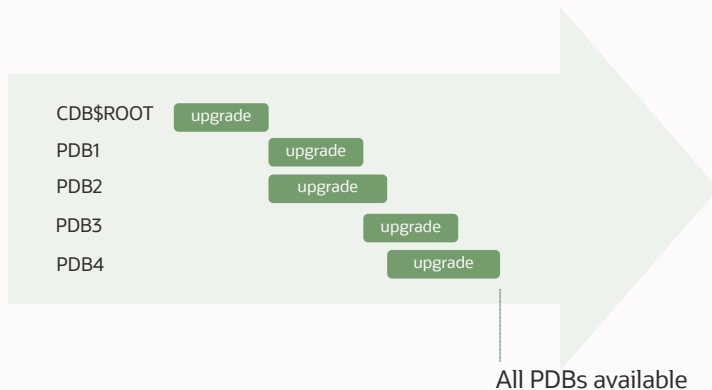
Some PDBs are more important

Control the order of the upgrade

PDB Availability

DEFAULT

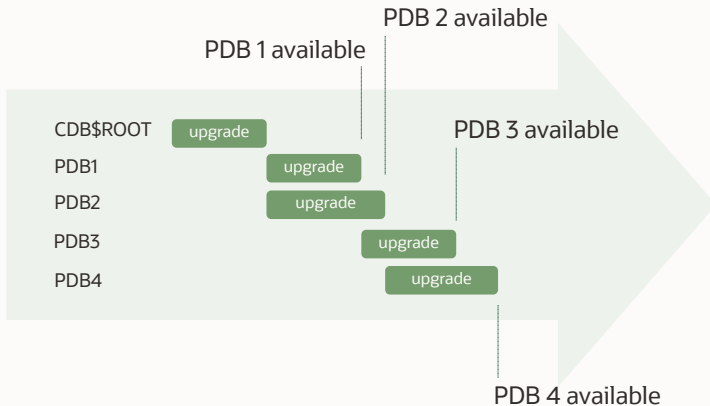
`make_pdb_available=false`



PDB Availability

IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE

```
make_pdb_available=true
```



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

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

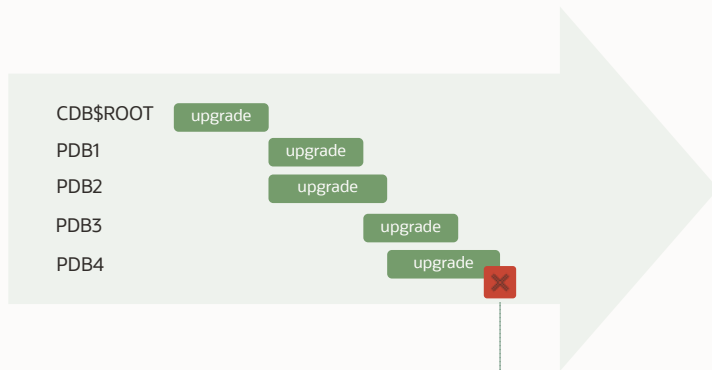
```
alter pluggable database SALESUAT priority 2;
```

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

PDB Availability

IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE

`make_pdb_available=true`



PDB 4 crash ...

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/autoupgrade/DB12
...


$ ls -l /etc/oracle/keystores/autoupgrade/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.autoupg_log_dir=/u01/app/oracle/cfgtoollogs/autoupgrade
global.keystore=/u01/app/oracle/admin/autoupgrade/keystore

upg1.log_dir=/u01/app/oracle/cfgtoollogs/autoupgrade/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.autoupg_log_dir=/u01/app/oracle/cfgtoollogs/autoupgrade
global.keystore=/u01/app/oracle/admin/autoupgrade/keystore

upg1.log_dir=/u01/app/oracle/cfgtoollogs/autoupgrade/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



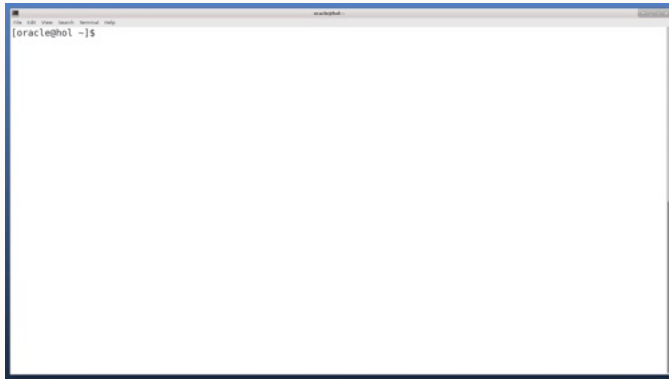
AutoUpgrade is compatible with Secure External Password Store

- Supported from Oracle Database 12.2

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

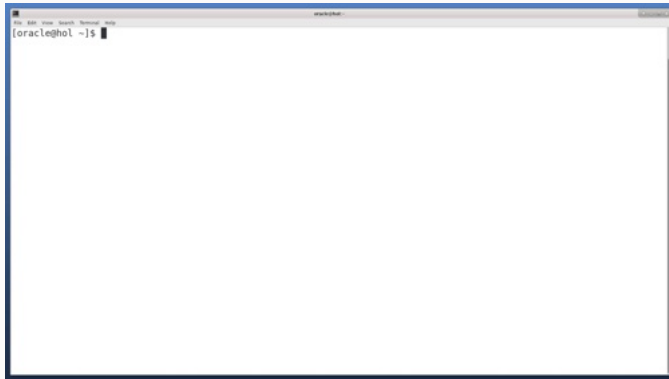


TDE | Demo - Upgrading encrypted PDB



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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

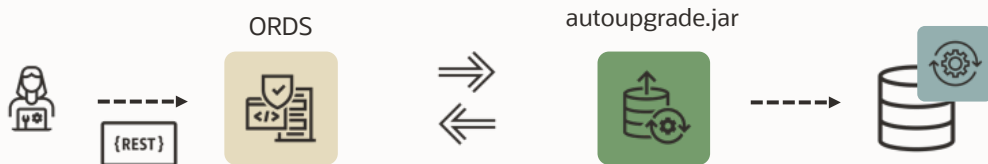


HTTPS



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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REST API | Config file vs. JSON

Config File

```
global.autoupgrade_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": {
    "autoupgrade_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 | Config file vs. JSON

Config File

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```

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

REST API | Config file vs. JSON

Config File

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upg1.sid=UPGR
upg1.log_dir=/home/oracle/logs
upg1.restoration=no
```

JSON for REST API

```
{
  "global": {
    "autoupg_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 | Config file vs. JSON

Config File

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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": {
    "autoupgrade_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 | Config file vs. JSON

Config File

```
global.autoupgrade_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": {
    "autoupgrade_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": {
```

```
$ 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": [
      {
        "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

Task Status

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(TM)
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",
      "link":
"https://localhost:8443/ords/autoupgrade/log?taskid=job_2022_04_27_05.17.24.146_0&name=cfgtoollogs/upgrade/auto/status/status.log"
    },
    {
      "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

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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 ...

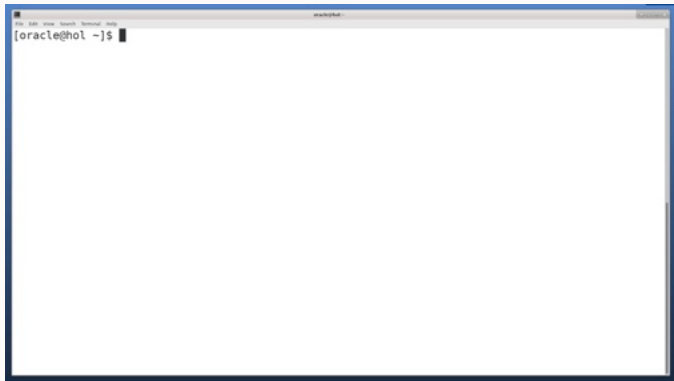
Compatible | **AutoUpgrade**

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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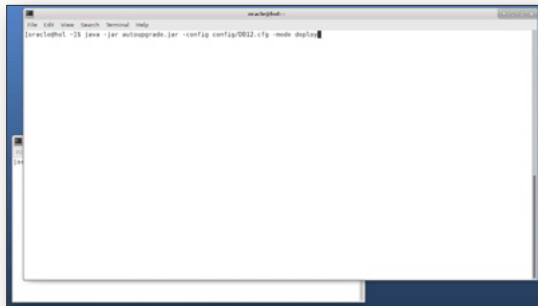
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What if ...

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`

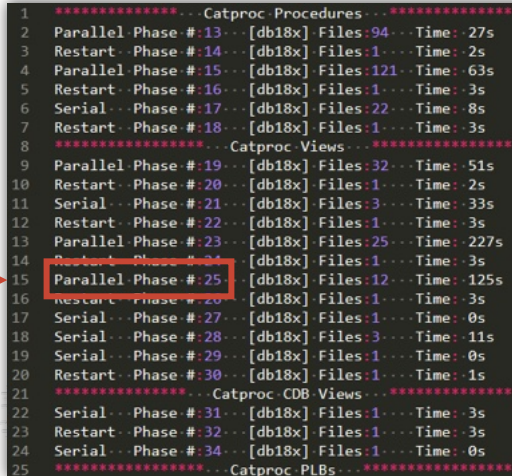


Upgrade | Resumable

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 Restart 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

```
upg1.checklist=../prechecks/<sid>_checklist.cfg
```

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
```

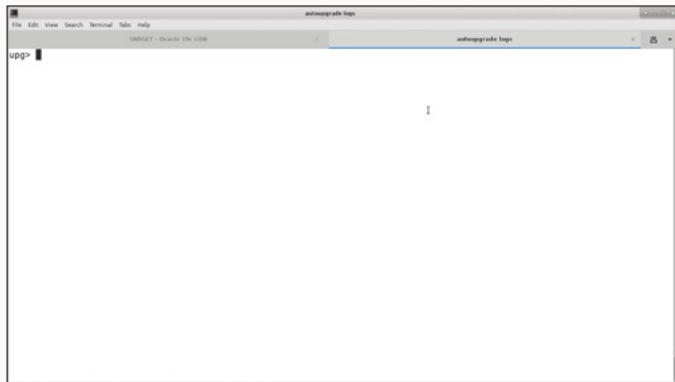
...

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 <b>grpt</b><br>GUARANTEE FLASHBACK DATABASE;                  |                                                   |
|  |                                                   |
|                                                                                    | SHUTDOWN IMMEDIATE                                |
|                                                                                    | STARTUP MOUNT;                                    |
|                                                                                    | FLASHBACK DATABASE TO RESTORE POINT <b>grpt</b> ; |
|                                                                                    | SHUTDOWN IMMEDIATE                                |
| STARTUP MOUNT;                                                                     |                                                   |
| ALTER DATABASE OPEN RESETLOGS;                                                     |                                                   |
| DROP RESTORE POINT <b>grpt</b> ;                                                   |                                                   |

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

## 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

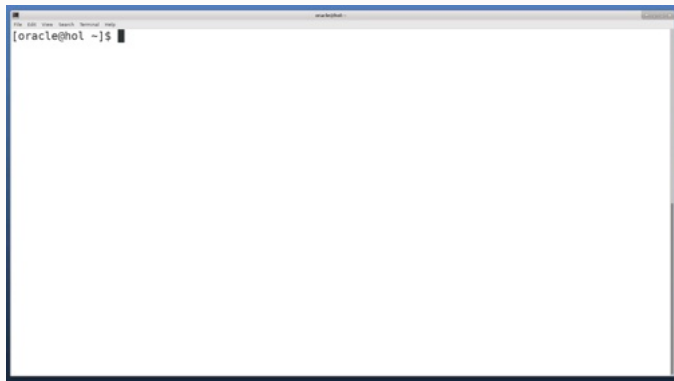
## AutoUpgrade | What if ... you need to flash back?

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

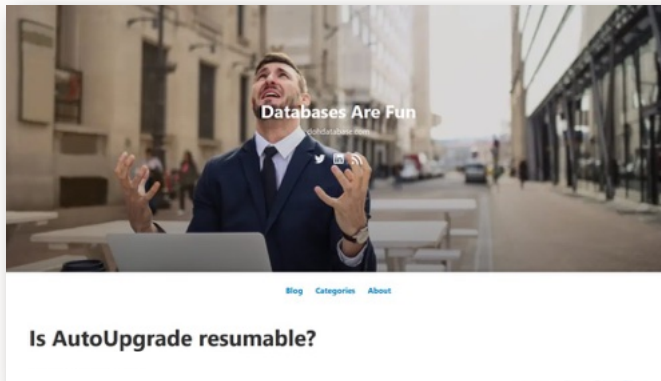
```
java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config DB.cfg -clear_recovery_data
```

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

```
global.autoupg_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?**



<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.autoupg_log_dir=/tmp/AutoUpgrade1
...

$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar \
 -config CDB1.cfg \
 -mode analyze
```

### Second AutoUpgrade instance

```
$ more CDB2.cfg
global.autoupg_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

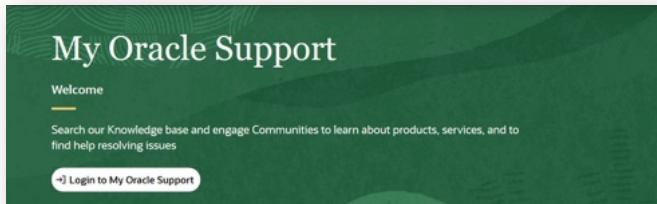
### 1. Create zip file

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

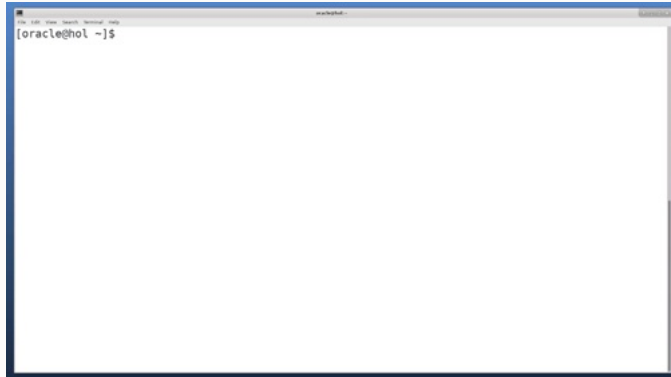
### 2. Optionally, add opatch lsinventory

```
$ $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
```

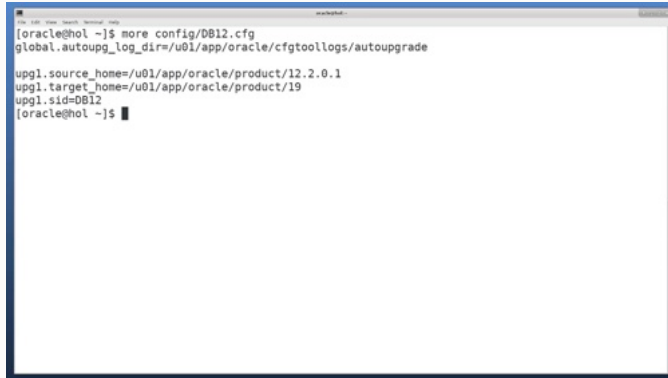
```
ERROR1001.ERROR = UPG-1001
```

```
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
```

```
.
.
```



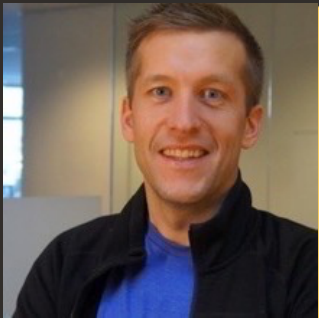
## AutoUpgrade | What if ... AutoUpgrade fails



```
[oracle@hol ~]$ more config/DB12.cfg
global.autoupg_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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Daniel Overby Hansen

Lead Developer  
SimCorp A/S - Denmark

*"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 | - | <a href="#">patch 25881255</a> | * | <a href="#">patch 25881271</a> |
| Version 31 | - | tzdata2017c | update | - | <a href="#">patch 27015449</a> | * | <a href="#">patch 27015468</a> |
| Version 32 | - | tzdata2018e | update | - | <a href="#">patch 28125601</a> | * | <a href="#">patch 28127287</a> |
| Version 33 | - | tzdata2018g | update | - | <a href="#">patch 28852325</a> | * | <a href="#">patch 28852334</a> |
| Version 34 | - | tzdata2019b | update | - | <a href="#">patch 29997937</a> | * | <a href="#">patch 29997959</a> |
| Version 35 | - | tzdata2020a | update | - | <a href="#">patch 31335037</a> | * | <a href="#">patch 31335142</a> |

- AutoUpgrade adjusts time zone
  - Default: `upg1.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

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

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
```

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 <sup>#9</sup> | No                | No                | No <sup>#3</sup>  | No <sup>#3</sup>  |
| 18c                  | Yes            | Yes               | Yes               | Yes               | Yes               | Yes <sup>#9</sup> | No                | No                | No <sup>#3</sup>  | No <sup>#3</sup>  |
| 12.2.0               | Yes            | Yes               | Yes               | Yes               | Yes               | Yes <sup>#9</sup> | No                | No                | No <sup>#3</sup>  | No <sup>#3</sup>  |
| 12.1.0               | Yes            | Yes               | Yes               | Yes               | Yes               | Yes               | Was               | Was <sup>#7</sup> | No <sup>#3</sup>  | No <sup>#3</sup>  |
| 11.2.0               | No             | Yes <sup>#9</sup> | Yes <sup>#9</sup> | Yes <sup>#9</sup> | Yes               | Yes               | Was               | Was <sup>#7</sup> | No                | Was <sup>#5</sup> |
| 11.1.0               | No             | No                | No                | No                | Was               | Was               | Was               | Was <sup>#7</sup> | Was <sup>#6</sup> | Was <sup>#5</sup> |
| 10.2.0               | No             | No <sup>#10</sup> | No <sup>#10</sup> | No <sup>#10</sup> | Was <sup>#7</sup> | Was <sup>#7</sup> | Was <sup>#7</sup> | Was               | Was               | Was <sup>#5</sup> |
| 10.1.0 <sup>#4</sup> | No             | No                | No                | No                | No                | Was <sup>#6</sup> | Was <sup>#6</sup> | Was               | Was               | Was               |
| 9.2.0                | No             | No                | No                | No                | No <sup>#8</sup>  | Was <sup>#5</sup> | Was <sup>#5</sup> | Was <sup>#5</sup> | 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                    | <b>ojdbc10.jar</b> with JDK10, JDK11<br><b>ojdbc8.jar</b> with JDK8, JDK9, JDK11                                                                    |
| 18.3                    | <b>ojdbc8.jar</b> with JDK8, JDK9, JDK10, JDK11                                                                                                     |
| 12.2 or 12cR2           | <b>ojdbc8.jar</b> with JDK 8                                                                                                                        |
| 12.1 or 12cR1           | <b>ojdbc7.jar</b> with JDK 7 and JDK 8<br><b>ojdbc6.jar</b> with JDK 6                                                                              |
| 11.2 or 11gR2           | <b>ojdbc6.jar</b> with JDK 6, JDK 7, and JDK 8<br>(Note: JDK7 and JDK8 are supported in 11.2.0.3 and 11.2.0.4 only)<br><b>ojdbc5.jar</b> with JDK 5 |



## Things to know

Best Practices and things to take care on

## Oracle 19c | Multimedia Removal

”

*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

”

*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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[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. | WARNING | PRE | NONE | 19.1 |
|                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | {1}                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |         |     |      |      |

[MOS Note: 23806011 - Database Preupgrade tool check list](#)

- [https://mikedietrichde.com/2019/05/24/dbms\\_job-behavior-change-in-oracle-19c-during-upgrade/](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)
SOURCE$ 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

”

*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

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

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

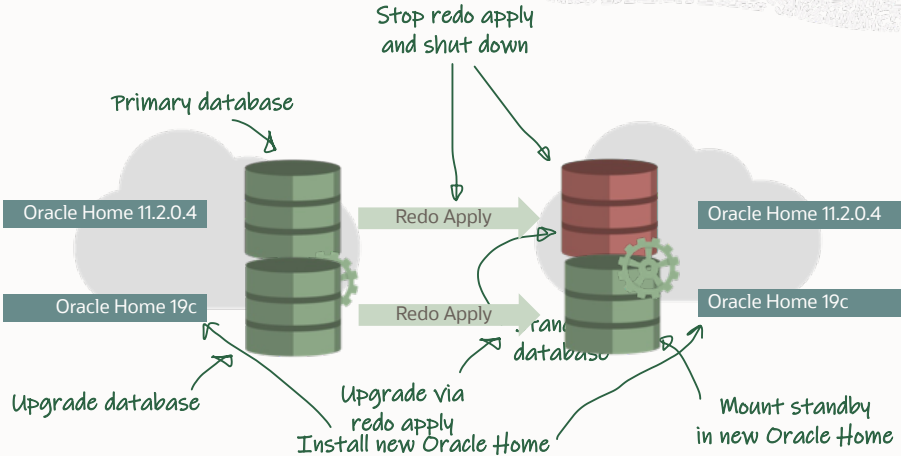
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Fixed Objects Statistics (GATHER\_FIXED\_OBJECTS\_STATS) Considerations (Doc ID 798257.1)



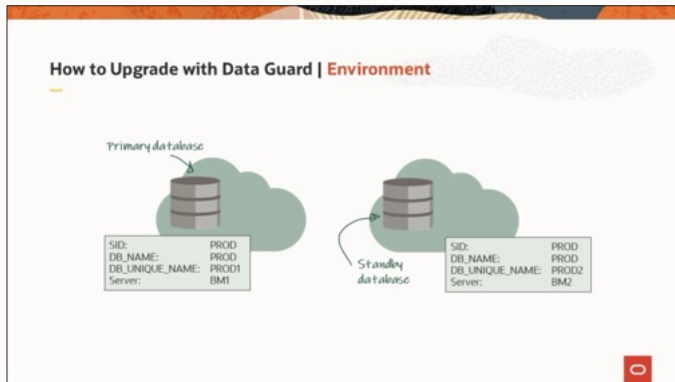
**Upgrade with Physical Standbys in place**

## Upgrade with Data Guard | Concept



Remember use latest  
Release Update

# Upgrade with Data Guard | Demo



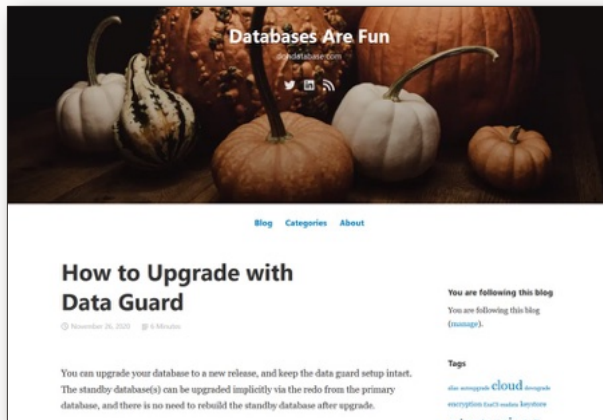
## Upgrade with Data Guard | Redo Apply



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



# Upgrade with Data Guard | Blog Post



<https://dohdatabase.com/2020/11/26/how-to-upgrade-with-data-guard/>



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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"`

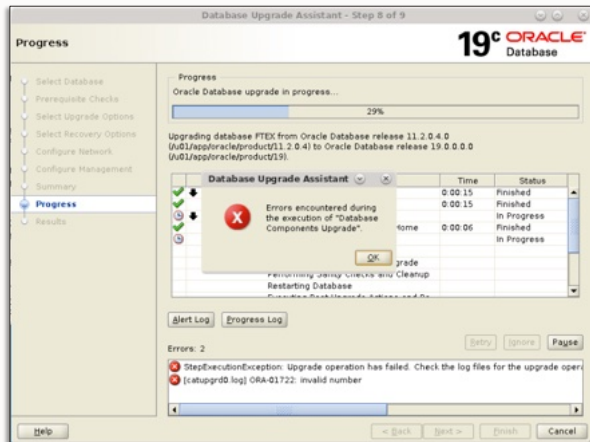
`dbupgrade`

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

## Fallback | Database Downgrade

Oracle Database Downgrade  
Oracle 19.3.0 => Oracle 12.2.0.1

[Watch on YouTube](#)



## 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                                    |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| <pre>CREATE RESTORE POINT <b>grpt</b><br/>GUARANTEE FLASHBACK DATABASE;</pre>      |                                                             |
|  |                                                             |
|                                                                                    | <pre>SHUTDOWN IMMEDIATE</pre>                               |
|                                                                                    | <pre>STARTUP MOUNT;</pre>                                   |
|                                                                                    | <pre>FLASHBACK DATABASE TO RESTORE POINT <b>grpt</b>;</pre> |
|                                                                                    | <pre>SHUTDOWN IMMEDIATE</pre>                               |
| <pre>STARTUP MOUNT;</pre>                                                          |                                                             |
| <pre>ALTER DATABASE OPEN RESETLOGS;</pre>                                          |                                                             |
| <pre>DROP RESTORE POINT <b>grpt</b>;</pre>                                         |                                                             |

## Fallback | Flashback Database

### 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

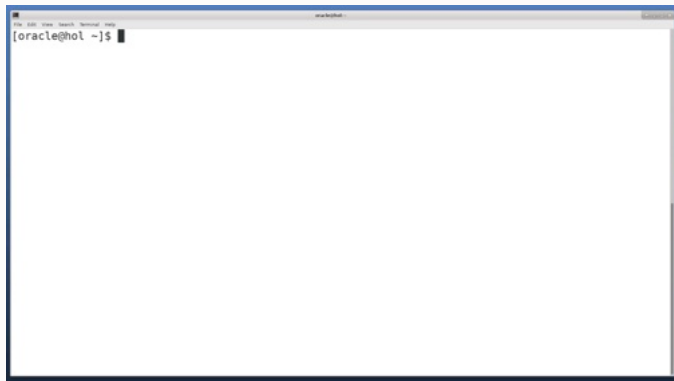
## Fallback | Flashback Database

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

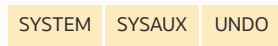
A database upgrade does not touch user data

Your data files



Read-only  
↓

Partial offline backup (plus redo log and control files)



Start upgrade

Pro tip: Works for SE2 and databases in NOARCHIVELOG mode

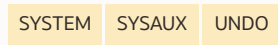
## Fallback | Partial Offline Backup

To restore

Your data files



Your backup (plus redo log and control files)



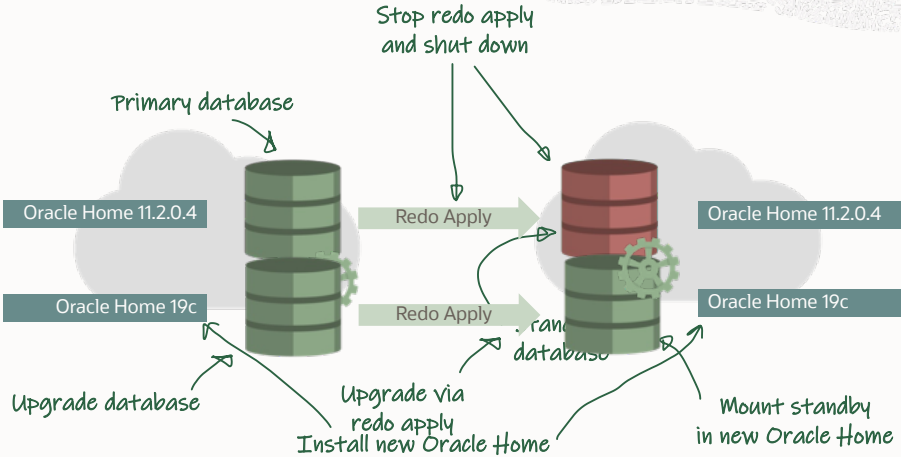


## Fallback | Partial Offline Backup

Oracle Database Downgrade  
with Partial Offline Backup  
Oracle 18.3.0 => Oracle 11.2.0.4

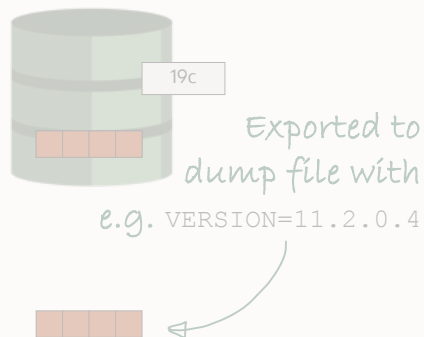
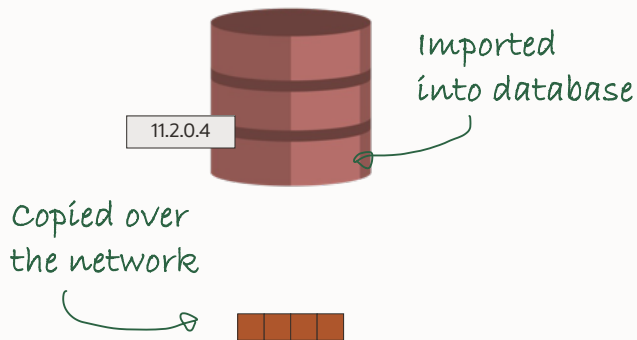
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## Fallback | Data Guard



Remember use latest  
Release Update

## 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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## Want to Know More?

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

| Component                     | HH:MM:SS |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Oracle Server                 | 00:16:17 |
| JServer JAVA Virtual Machine  | 00:05:19 |
| Oracle Workspace Manager      | 00:01:01 |
| Oracle Enterprise Manager     | 00:10:13 |
| Oracle XDK                    | 00:00:48 |
| Oracle Text                   | 00:00:58 |
| Oracle XML Database           | 00:04:09 |
| Oracle Database Java Packages | 00:00:33 |
| Oracle Multimedia             | 00:07:43 |
| Gathering Statistics          | 00:04:53 |

Total Upgrade Time: 00:52:01

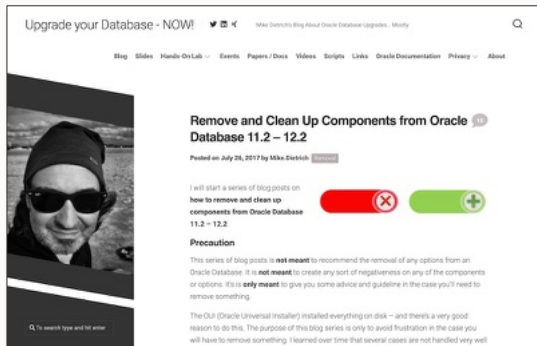
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| Oracle XML Database           | 00:04:09 |
| Oracle Database Java Packages | 00:00:33 |
| Gathering Statistics          | 00:02:43 |

Total Upgrade Time: 00:30:47

# 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

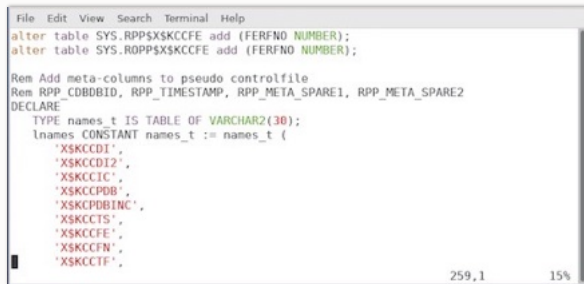


## Why Upgrade is Different | DDL Workload

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.RPPXKCCFE add (FERFNO NUMBER);
alter table SYS.ROPPXKCCFE 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$KCCDI',
 'X$KCCDI2',
 '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
```

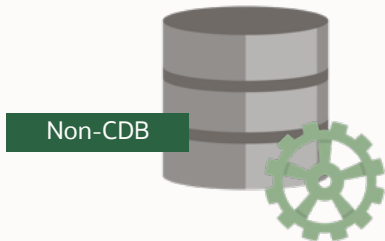
Note: This is an excerpt from the alert.log – these parameters will be set implicitly during a STARTUP UPGRADE

## 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**

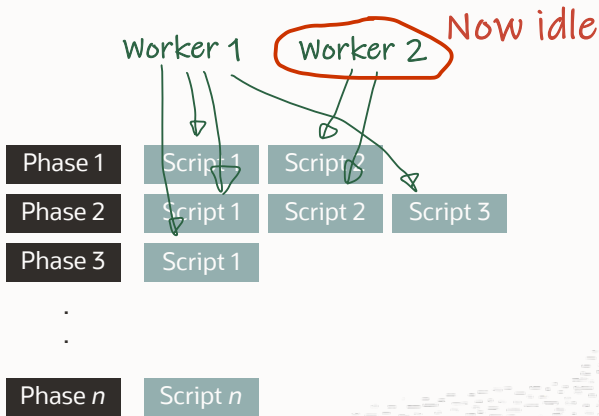


A number of parallel processes

- 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

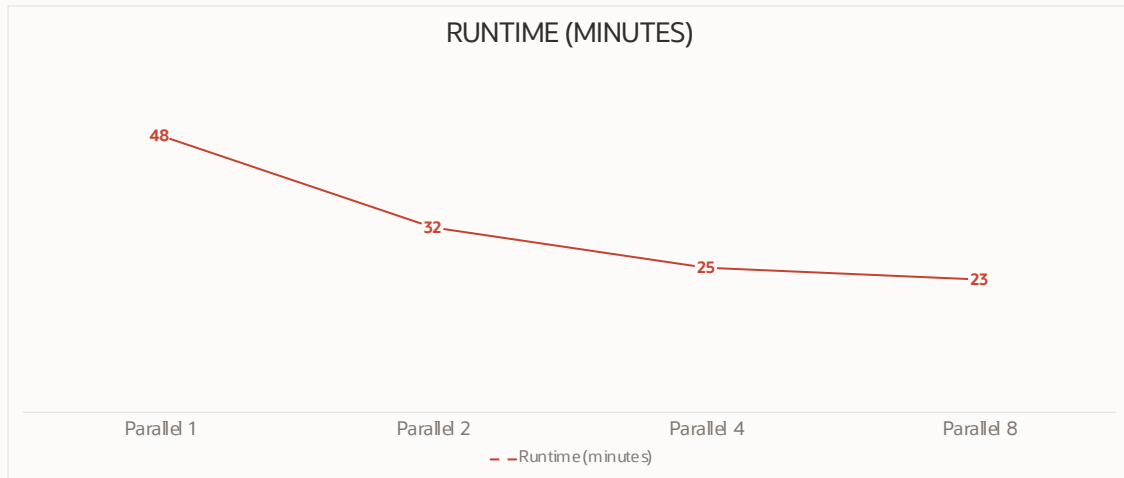


11.2.0.4  
8 GB SGA  
2 GB PGA  
8 CPU\_COUNT



|         |       |
|---------|-------|
| 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
```

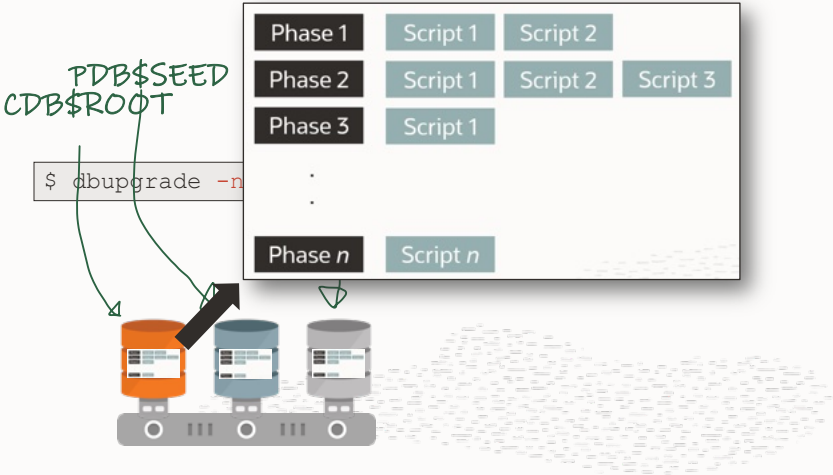
## Parallel Upgrade | Container Database



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



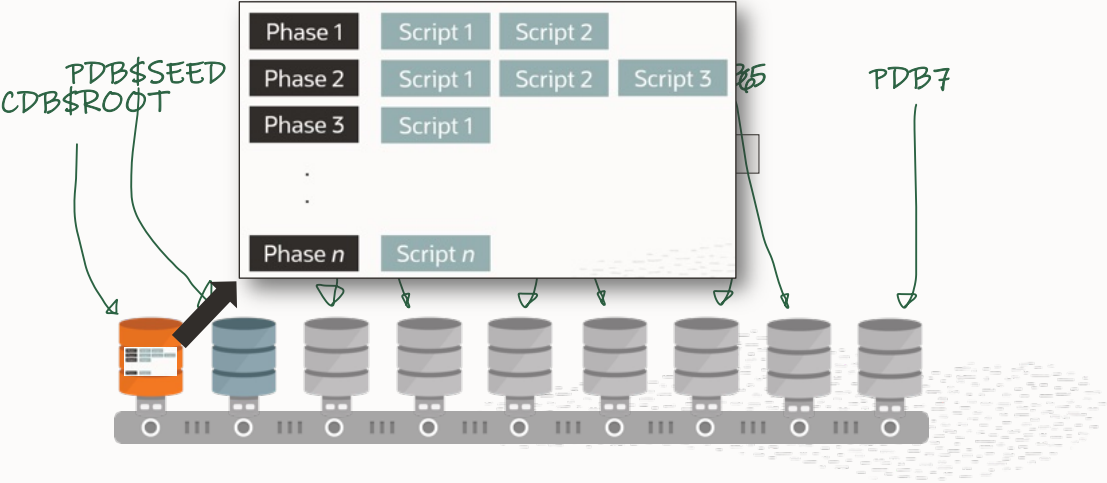
## Parallel Upgrade | Non-CDB vs. Single Tenant



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



# Parallel Upgrade | Multitenant

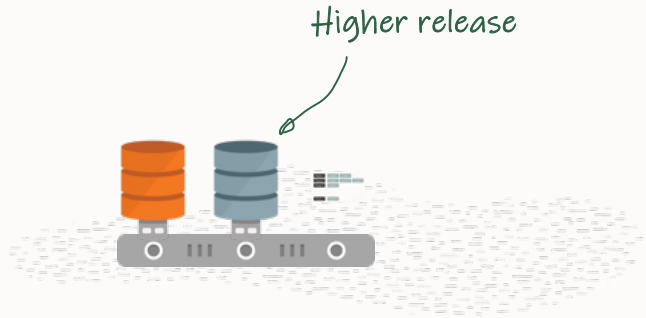
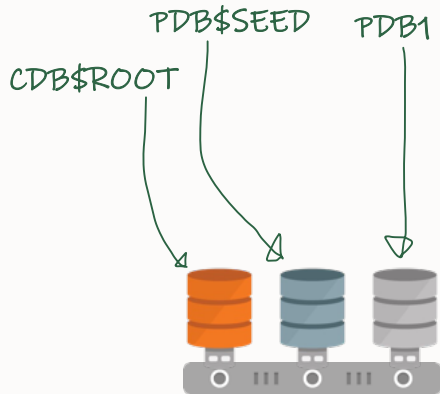


## Parallel Upgrade | Multitenant



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



Many PDBs

Less processors per PDB

Decrease parameter N

## Parallel Upgrade | How Does It Work



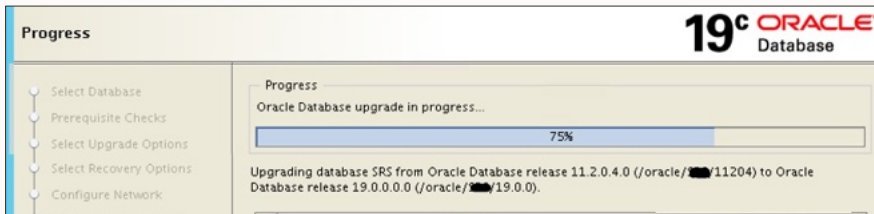
But as always

It depends

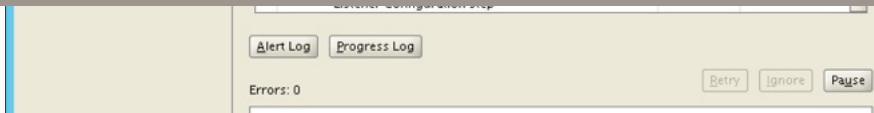


How long will my upgrade take?





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

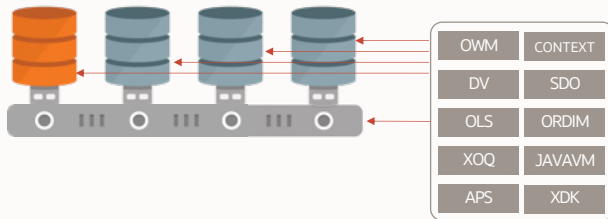
- Most components upgrade serially, one after another
- Potential contention when many PDB upgrades happen in parallel



## 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      |

*(only one container shown)*



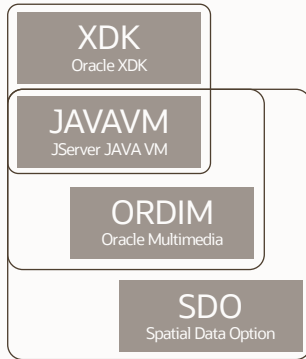
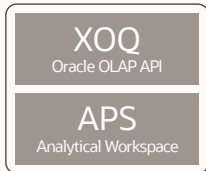
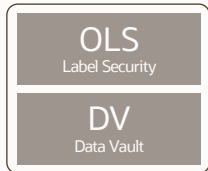
## End point

| 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      |

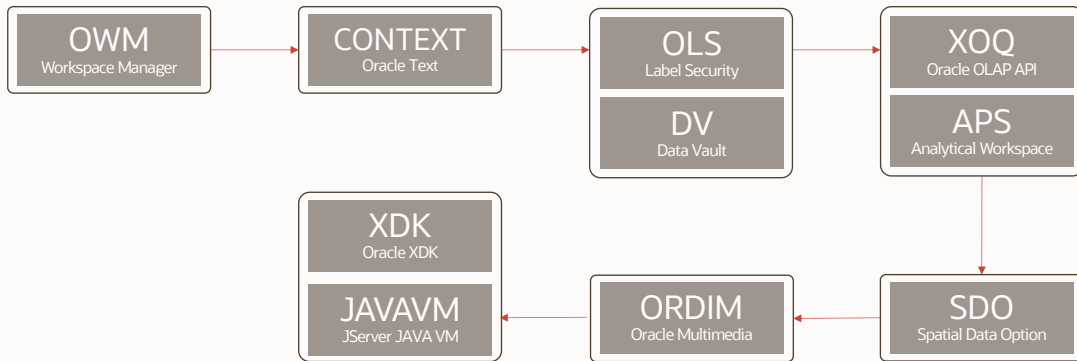
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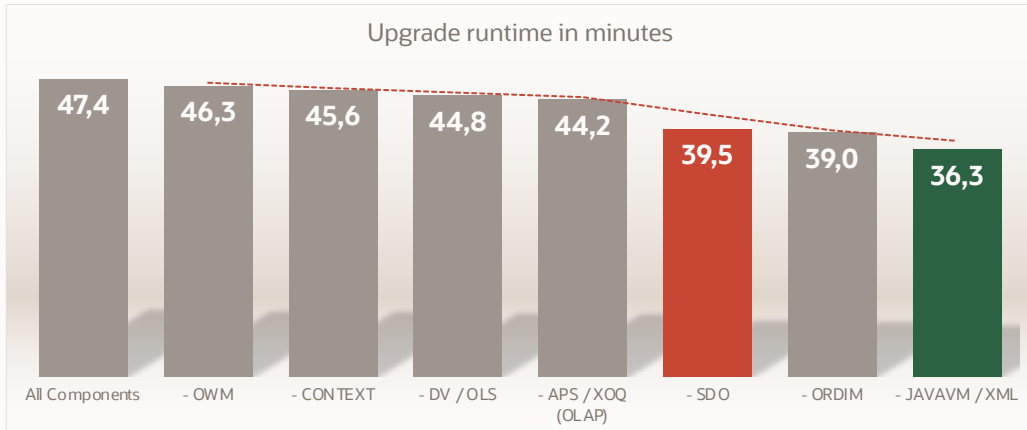
# Components | Dependencies



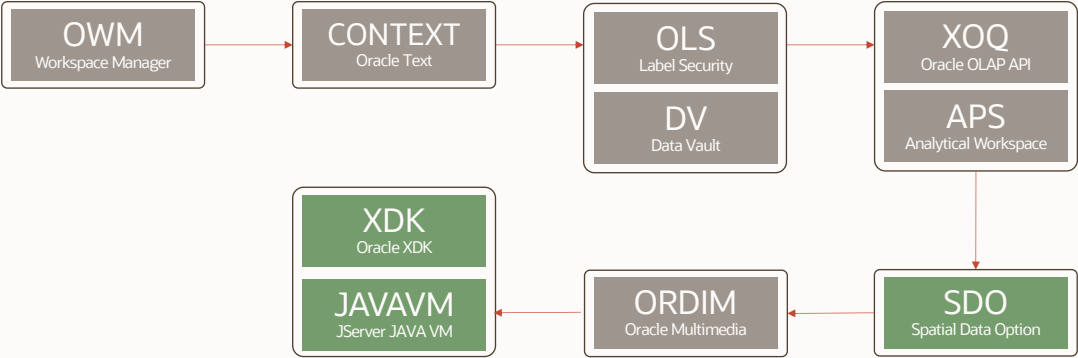
## Components | Removal Order



## Components | Result




# Components | Highest Impact



## Components | CDB\$ROOT vs PDB

Do you remember this slide?

**Parallel Upgrade | Non-CDB**



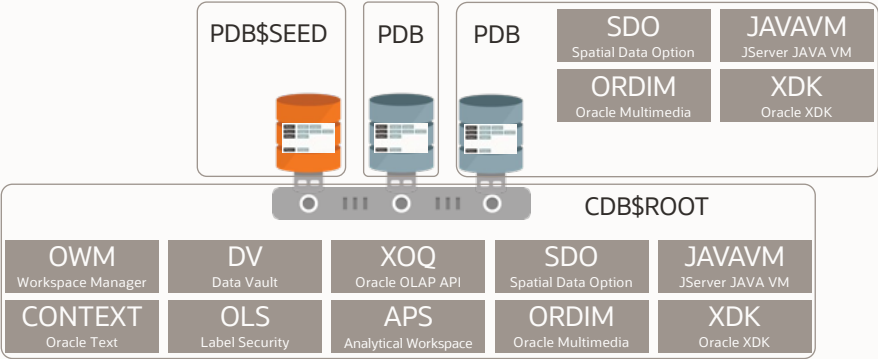
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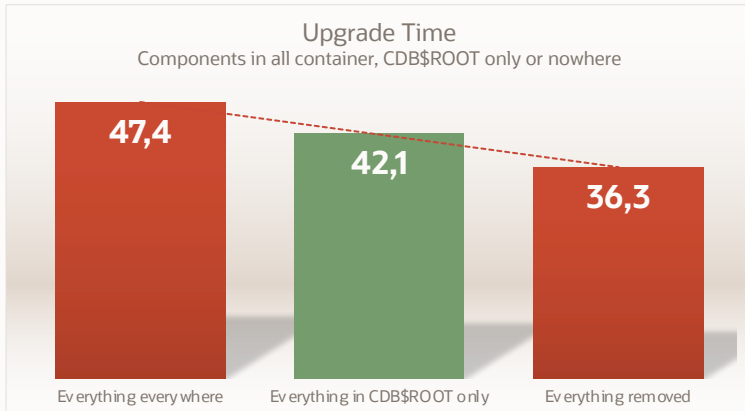


# Components | CDB\$ROOT vs PDB

This may be a solution



## Components | **Compromise**



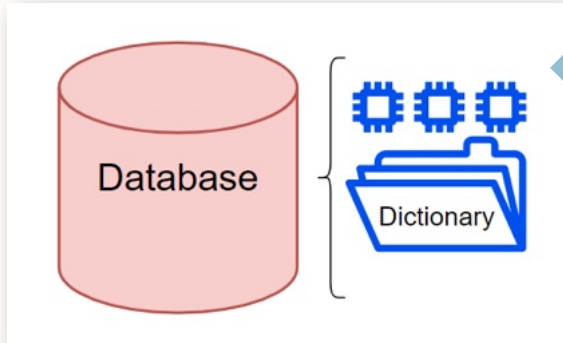
## Components | **Compromise**



Find the right balance between  
functionality and complexity

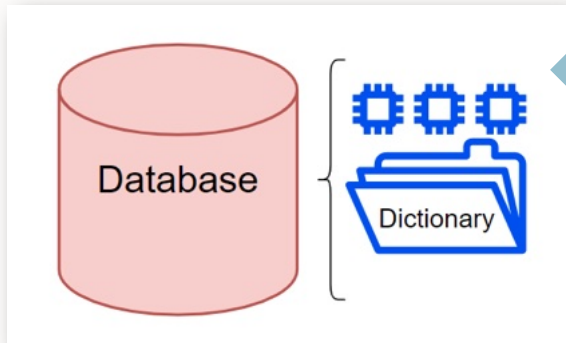
# Database Upgrade Internals

## 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: gCInclusion=[0]
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 MGM 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?

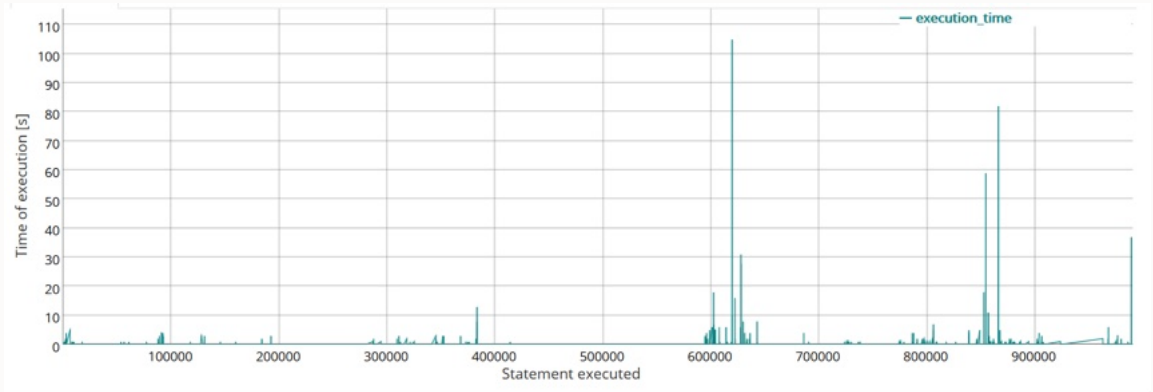
```
1 #.[upg_summary.log]-18.7-->19.5
2 Oracle Database Release 19 Post-Upgrade Status Tool... 02-03-2021 21:56:2
3 Database Name: DB18X
4
5 Component.....Current.....Full.....Elapsed Time
6 Name.....Status.....Version HH:MM:SS
7
8 Oracle Server.....UPGRADED.....19.5.0.0.0 00:39:42
9 JServer JAVA Virtual 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*****
```

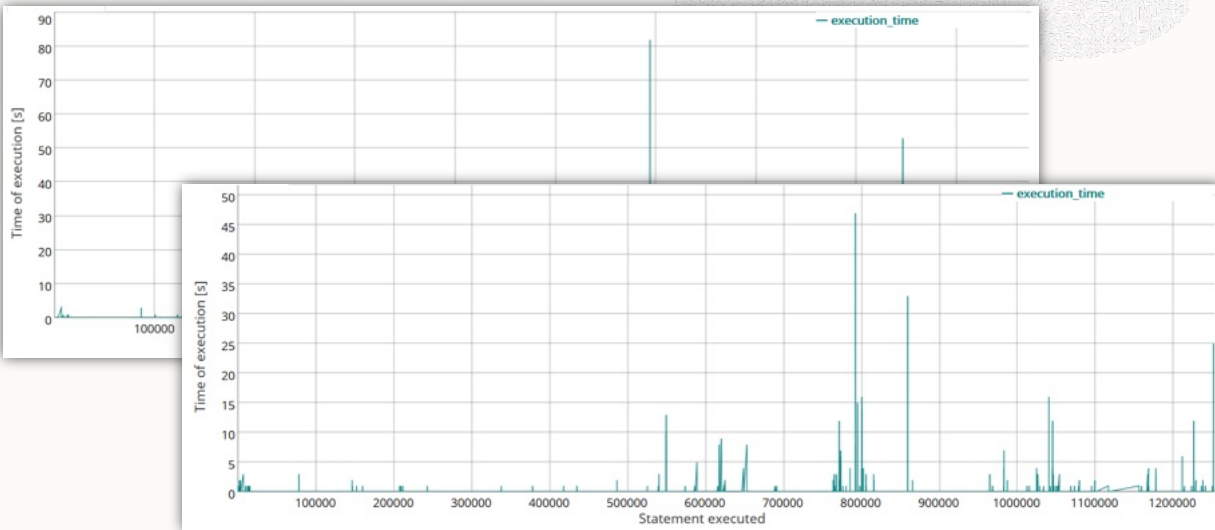
## Upgrade Internals | Timing



# 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
5 [CON_ID: 1 => CDB$ROOT]
6
7 Component
8 Name
9
10 Oracle Server
11 JServer: JAVA Virtual Machi
12 Oracle XDK
13 Oracle Database Java Packa
14 OLAP Analytic Workspace
15 Oracle Label Security
16 Oracle Database Vault
17 Oracle Text
18 Oracle Workspace Manager
19 Oracle Real Application Clu
20 Oracle XML Database
21 Oracle Multimedia
22 Spatial
23 Oracle OLAP API
24 Datapatch
25 Final Actions
26 Post Upgrade
27
28 Total Upgrade Time: 00:47:
29
30 Database time zone version
31 zone version 32. Time zone
32
33
34 Oracle Database Release 19 Post Upgrade Status Tool --- 02-02-2021-20:58:4
35 Container Database: CDB122
36 [CON_ID: 3 => PDBX]
37
38 Component
39 Name
40
41 Oracle Server
42 JServer: JAVA Virtual Machi
43 Oracle XDK
44 Oracle Database Java Packag
45 OLAP Analytic Workspace
46 Oracle Label Security
47 Oracle Database Vault
48 Oracle Text
49 Oracle Workspace Manager
50 Oracle Real Application Clu
51 Oracle XML Database
52 Oracle Multimedia
53 Spatial
54 Oracle OLAP API
55 Datapatch
56 Final Actions
57 Post Upgrade
58
59 Total Upgrade Time: 00:43:2
60
61 Database time zone version
62 zone version 32. Time zone
63
64
65 Oracle Database Release 19 Post Upgrade Status Tool --- 02-02-2021-21:06:5
66 Container Database: CDB122
67 [CON_ID: 2 => PDB$SEED]
68
69 Component
70 Name
71
72 Oracle Server
73 JServer: JAVA Virtual Machine
74 Oracle XDK
75 Oracle Database Java Packages
76 OLAP Analytic Workspace
77 Oracle Label Security
78 Oracle Database Vault
79 Oracle Text
80 Oracle Workspace Manager
81 Oracle Real Application Clusters
82 Oracle XML Database
83 Oracle Multimedia
84 Spatial
85 Oracle OLAP API
86 Datapatch
87 Final Actions
88 Post Upgrade
89 Post Compile
90
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
```

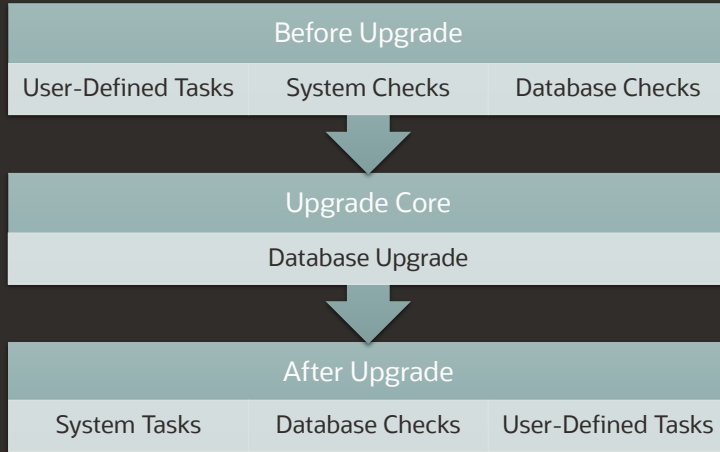
## Upgrade Internals | CDB Upgrade Timings



# Database **Auto**Upgrade Diagnosability



# AutoUpgrade | Flow-Overview



# AutoUpgrade | Checks 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

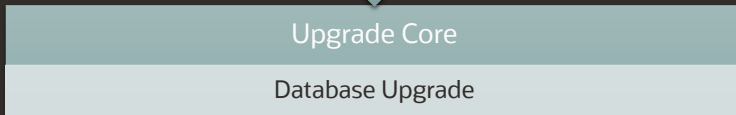
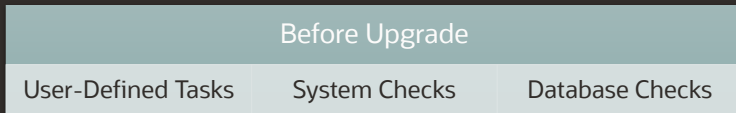
disk\_space\_for\_recovery\_area  
db\_block\_size  
default\_resource\_limit  
flash\_recovery\_area\_setup  
min\_archive\_dest\_size  
tablespaces  
temptypes\_notempfile  
...

## Misc

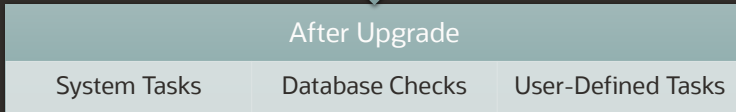
network\_acl\_priv  
new\_time\_zones\_exist  
parameter\_deprecated  
pending\_dst\_session  
underscore\_events  
...

# 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
```

One job

```
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.pdbs=pdbx
```

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.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.pdbs=pdbx
```

# AutoUpgrade | Log File Structure

analyze => fixups



```
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.pdbs=pdbx
```



# AutoUpgrade | Log File Structure

analyze => fixups => deploy



```
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.pdbs=pdbx
```

## AutoUpgrade | Log File Structure

analyze => fixups => deploy

```
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= pdbx
```



```
[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
[runfix] N/A
[severity] INFO

[checkname] DICTIONARY_STATS
[stage] PRECHECKS
[fixup_available] YES
[runfix] YES
[severity] RECOMMEND

[checkname] POST_DICTIONARY
[stage] POSTCHECKS
[fixup_available] YES
[runfix] YES
[severity] RECOMMEND

[checkname] POST_FIXED_OBJECTS
[stage] POSTCHECKS
[fixup_available] NO
[runfix] N/A
[severity] RECOMMEND

[checkname] OLD_TIME_ZONES_EXIST
[stage] POSTCHECKS
[fixup_available] YES
[runfix] YES
[severity] WARNING
```



```
[SID] [cdb18x]
=====
[container] [CDB$ROOT]
=====
[checkname] CYCLE_NUMBER
[stage] PRECHECKS
[fixup_available] NO
[runfix] N/A
[severity] INFO

[checkname] DICTIONARY_STATS
[stage] PRECHECKS
[fixup_available] YES
[runfix] YES
[severity] RECOMMEND

[checkname] POST_DICTIONARY
[stage] POSTCHECKS
[fixup_available] YES
[runfix] SKIP
[severity] RECOMMEND

[checkname] POST_FIXED_OBJECTS
[stage] POSTCHECKS
[fixup_available] NO
[runfix] N/A
[severity] RECOMMEND

[checkname] OLD_TIME_ZONES_EXIST
[stage] POSTCHECKS
[fixup_available] YES
[runfix] 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.pdbs=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
-rwx----- 1 oracle oinstall 1.2K Feb 4 09:45 catupgrd20210204081724pdb_seed_datapatch_upgrade.log
-rwx----- 1 oracle oinstall 8.3K Feb 4 09:45 catupgrd20210204081724pdb_seed_stderr.log
-rwx----- 1 oracle oinstall 86K Feb 4 09:25 catupgrd20210204081724pdbx0.log
-rwx----- 1 oracle oinstall 1.2K Feb 4 09:25 catupgrd20210204081724pdbx_datapatch_upgrade.log
-rwx----- 1 oracle oinstall 7.9K Feb 4 09:25 catupgrd20210204081724pdbx_stderr.log
```

Upgrade logs

## AutoUpgrade | General Progress Folder

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

AutoUpgrade  
Control Files  
State Files

```
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
```

```
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  
Control Files  
State Files

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

General Log Files

Status Files

## 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/hvieyra/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/hvieyra/autoupgrade/au21/CDBmexica/101",
10 "conNumber": 5,
11 "lastUpdateTime": "2021-02-04 12:37:53",
12 "modules": [
13 {
14 "moduleName": "DBUPGRADE",
15 "status": 1,
16 "errors": [
17 {
18 "cause": "[Unexpected error]",
19 "reason": "Database Upgrade has Failed details in [/scratch/hvieyra/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": "
 Error: UPG-1400
 UPGRADE FAILED [CDBmexica]
 Cause: Database upgrade failed with errors
 For further details see log file",
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

```
[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
3at oracle.upgrade.commons.rac.SpFileUtils.getCurrentInstance(SpFileUtils.java:100)
4at oracle.upgrade.commons.rac.SpFileUtils.isASM(SpFileUtils.java:87)
5at oracle.upgrade.autoupgrade.postupgrade.CreateFinalSpfile.databaseShutdownAndCleanup(CreateFinalSpfile.java:410)
6at oracle.upgrade.autoupgrade.postupgrade.CreateFinalSpfile.executeStep(CreateFinalSpfile.java:437)
7at oracle.upgrade.autoupgrade.postupgrade.PostActions.upgPostActionsDriver(PostActions.java:274)
8at oracle.upgrade.autoupgrade.postupgrade.PostActions.runPostActions(PostActions.java:233)
9at oracle.upgrade.autoupgrade.postupgrade.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 | `utlprp.sql`

Usually, after upgrade, recompilation should happen

- `utlprp.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
- ...

## ★ Database Initialization Parameters for Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12 (Doc ID 396009.1)

### In This Document

- [Using This Document](#)
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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

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*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](#)

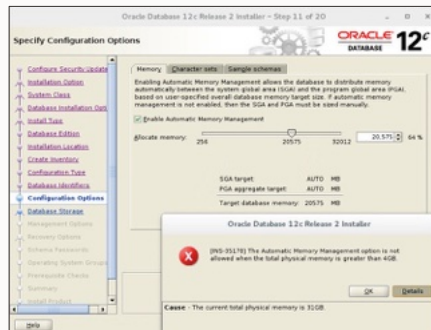
Controlled by parameters `MEMORY_TARGET` and `MEMORY_MAX_TARGET`

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

## AMM | If You Really Want ...

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**

Enable

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Result

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

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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
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31895670:0 19138896:0 31670824:0 9876287:0 30564898:0 32075777:0
30570982:0
```

# Fix Control Persistence | **DBMS\_OPTIM\_BUNDLE**

Overview

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**Result**

Info and Issues

In the SPFILE:

```
*._fix_control='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'#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                        |
|--------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <a href="#">32301133</a> | X8M: Database Merge for 19.10 RU                                                                                                                                           | <a href="#">[list-patches]</a> |
| <a href="#">32245850</a> | txtdan : dml operations hung on "gc current request" waits                                                                                                                 | <a href="#">[list-patches]</a> |
| <a href="#">32013403</a> | ORA-7445: exception encountered: core dump [kjsca_add()+717]                                                                                                               | <a href="#">[list-patches]</a> |
| <a href="#">32259535</a> | ORA-1/ORA-00001: unique constraint (sys.i_indpart_bopart\$) during ALTER TABLE SPLIT PARTITION                                                                             | <a href="#">[list-patches]</a> |
| <a href="#">31666449</a> | ORA-600 [kcbtse_encdec_tbsblk_1] during RMAN Backup                                                                                                                        | <a href="#">[list-patches]</a> |
| <a href="#">31602782</a> | Contention on "CURSOR: PIN S WAIT ON X" when PQ slave's execution plan does not match with QC                                                                              | <a href="#">[list-patches]</a> |
| <a href="#">32442404</a> | Using Data Pump With Encryption Fails With "Memory fault(coredump)" / ORA-39012 / ORA-7445 [Immstmrg]<br>After Applying the January 2021 DBRU to an 18c or 19c Oracle Home | <a href="#">[list-patches]</a> |

[Oracle Database 19c  
Important Recommended One-off Patches  
\(Doc ID 2720807.1\)](#)



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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;"
```

## Fixed Objects Stats | Overview



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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



## 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

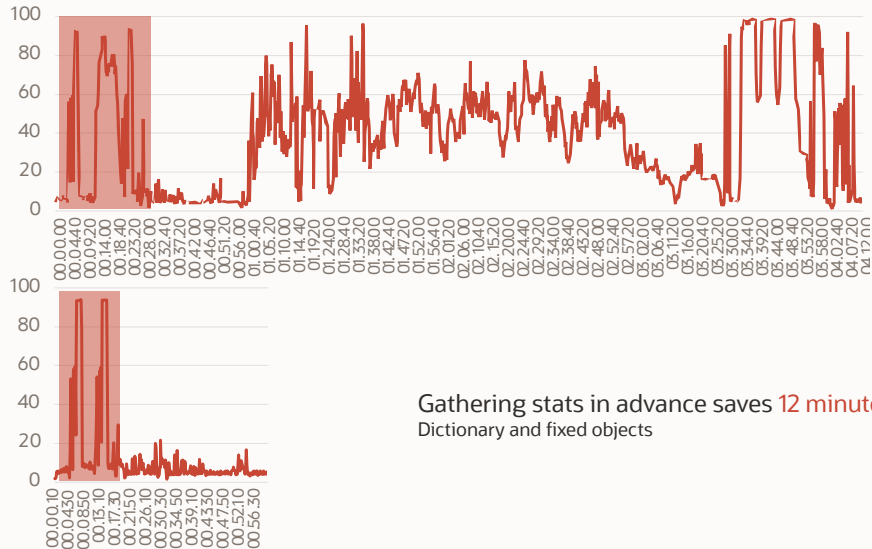
## Statistics | Check

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



## 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   |
| <b>Total downtime saved</b>                 | <b>2 min 14 sec</b> | <b>14 % overall</b> |

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     |
| <b>Total downtime saved</b>                 | <b>10 hrs 4 min 14 sec</b> | <b>93.5 % overall</b> |

## 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       |
| 8  | TABLE ACCESS     | BY INDEX ROWID BATCH   | OBJ\$        |
| 9  | INDEX            | RANGE SCAN             | I_OBJ1       |

2s 33ms

## System Statistics | Overview



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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



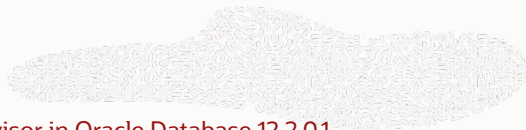
## Statistics Advisor | **Purge**



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

“ 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

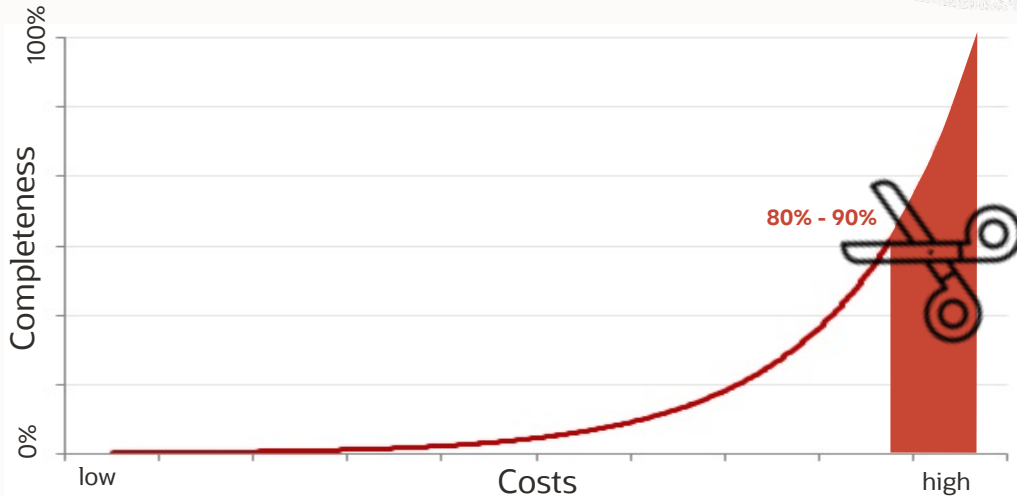






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## Testing

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

## Test Environments | Ideas



### 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

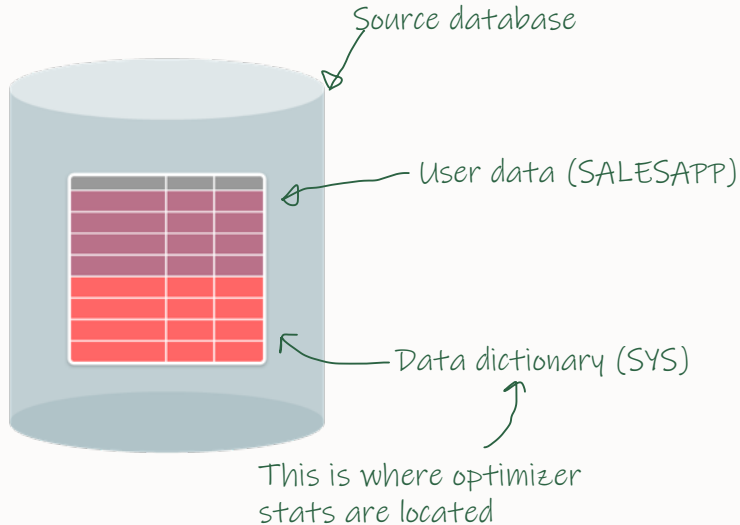


Faster than transporting statistics using **Data Pump**

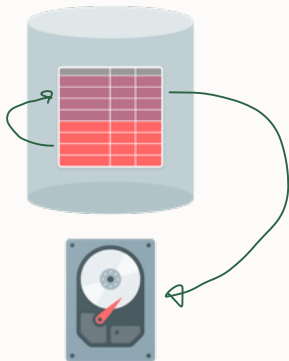
- Replace native Data Pump statistics export with DBMS\_STATS
- Superior performance



## Transporting Statistics | Workflow



# Transporting Statistics | Workflow



## Create staging table

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

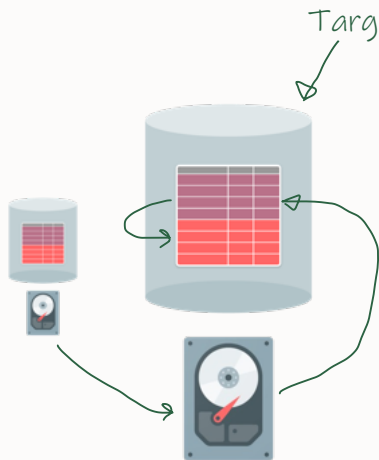
## Export statistics to staging table

```
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



Transfer dump file

Import staging table using Data Pump

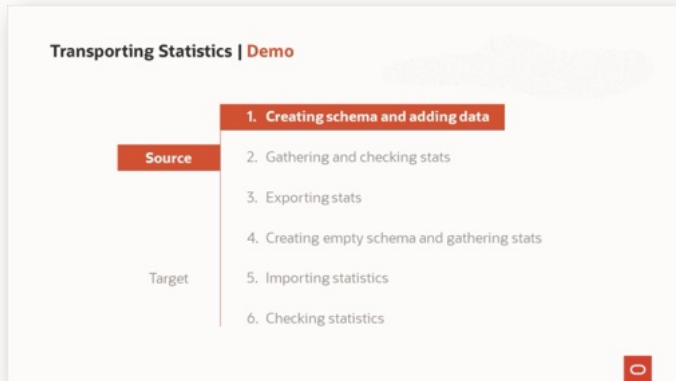
```
$ impdp SALESAPP \
 DIRECTORY=mydirectory \
 DUMPFILE=opt_stats_stg.dmp \
 TABLES=OPT_STATS_STG
```

Import statistics from staging table

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

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

# Transporting Statistics | Demo



[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](#)





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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

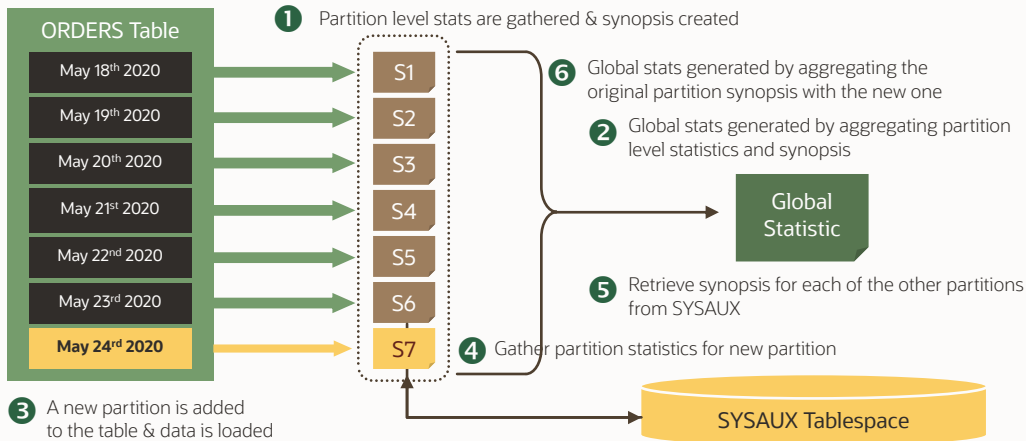
- Update global statistics for partitioned objects quickly with less overhead
- List and interval partitioning

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

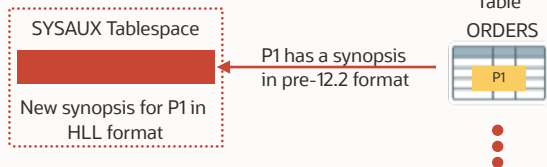
### Recommendation

- 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

1.  
**Collect**

3.  
Analyze

5.  
Manage

2.  
Compare

4.  
Tune

6.  
Test



## 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 statement

SQL

Context



Statistics



Plans



# 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

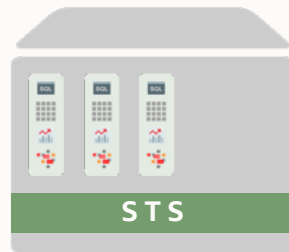
```
SQL> DECLARE
 begin_id number;
 end_id number;
 cur_sys_refcursor;
BEGIN
 SELECT min(snap_id), max(snap_id) INTO begin_id, end_id
 FROM dba_hist_snapshot;

 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;
/
```



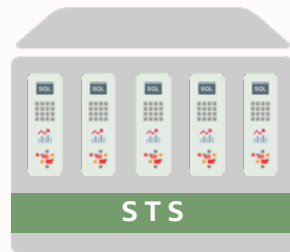
Pro tip: Consider excluding other internal schemas like *DBSNMP*, *ORACLE\_OCM*, *LBACSYS*, *WMSYS*, *XDB*, *SYSTEM*

# 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);
```



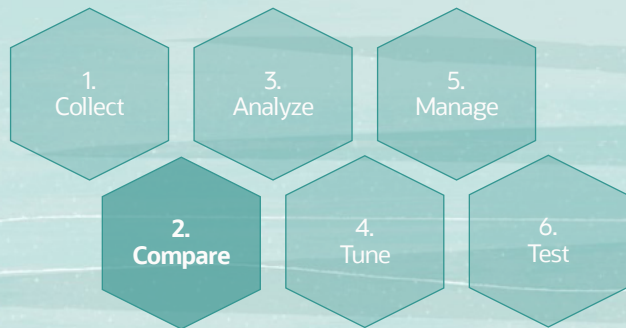
## Collect SQL statements and plans

Use AWR as main source

Capture from Cursor Cache for OLTP

Collect statements, plans and stats in SQL Tuning Sets

# Performance Stability Prescription



## AWR | Diff Report



**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            | Sid Block Size |
|--------------|---------|-----------|-------------|---------|---------|------------|---------|-----|-----------------|----------------|
| First (1st)  | DB19    | 786900047 | DB19        | PRIMARY | EE      | 19.0.0.0.0 | NO      | NO  | hol.localdomain | 8192           |
| Second (2nd) | DB19    | 786900047 | DB19        | PRIMARY | EE      | 19.0.0.0.0 | 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        |               |                          |             |                          | -100.0           | -0.2               | -43.4         |

Host Configuration Comparison

|                         | 1st    | 2nd    | Diff | %Diff |
|-------------------------|--------|--------|------|-------|
| Number of CPUs:         | 4      | 4      | 0    | 0.0   |
| Number of CPU Cores:    | 4      | 4      | 0    | 0.0   |
| Number of CPU Sockets:  | 1      | 1      | 0    | 0.0   |
| Physical Memory:        | 15725M | 15725M | 0M   | 0.0   |
| Load at Start Snapshot: | .76    | .4     | -.36 | -47.4 |
| Load at End Snapshot:   | .19    | .5     | .31  | 163.2 |
| %User Time:             | .18    | .16    | -.02 | -11.1 |
| %System Time:           | .06    | .05    | -.01 | -16.7 |
| %Idle Time:             | 99.54  | 99.59  | .05  | 0.1   |
| %IO Wait Time:          | .22    | .15    | -.06 | -31.8 |



# AWR | Diff Report



Use script `awrddrpt.sql`

## Top Timed Events

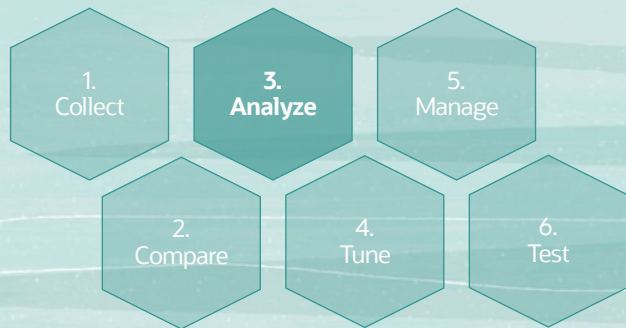
- Events with a "-" did not make the Top list in this set of snapshots, but are displayed for comparison purposes

| 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  | 1,156.62     | 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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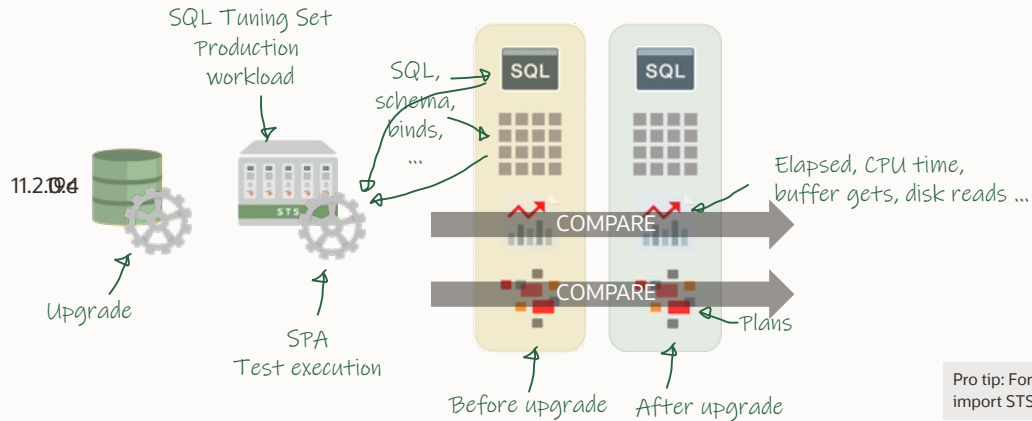
*SPA provides fine-grained assessment of environment changes on SQL **execution plans** and **statistics** by running the SQL statements both in isolation and serially manner in before-change and after-change environments.*

*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



| Regressed SQL Statements |               |                            |             |             |                       |          |
|--------------------------|---------------|----------------------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------------|----------|
|                          | SQL ID        | Net Impact on Workload (%) | Buffer Gets |             | Net Impact on SQL (%) | New Plan |
|                          |               |                            | SQL Trial 1 | SQL Trial 2 |                       |          |
| ↓                        | 3fv28gfuSy0aq | -0.050                     | 26,504      | 29,573      | -11.580               | Y        |
| ↓                        | czzzubf8fjz95 | -0.030                     | 1,410       | 1,981       | -40.500               | Y        |

From production  
workload

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

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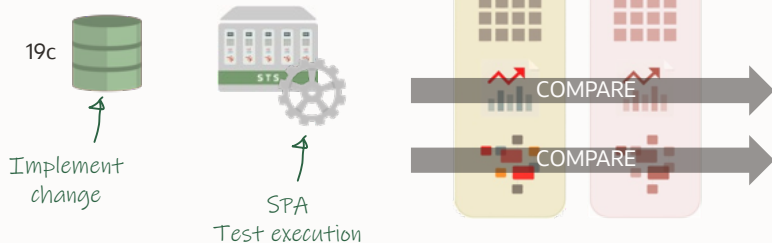
Plan Hash Value 1165613724

[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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| ↓                        | czzzubf8fjz96 | -0.030                     | 1,410       | 1,981       | -40.500               | Y        |



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

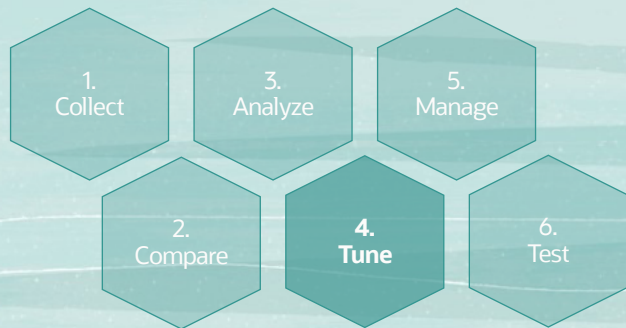
SPA computes a hash value of the result set for comparison



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# Performance Stability Prescription



# SQL Tuning Advisor



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

...


*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



Pro tip: SQL Developer has a good [interface](#) to SQL Tuning Advisor

# SQL Profiles



”

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

...

*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');
```



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## 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 DATABA... |
| 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  | 1h1k2ynzfiv5v1 | SQL*Plus                                     | insert into sys.dbms_stats_id...  |
| 792.05           | 68         | 11.65                     | 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 | bm6v0yv6m643m0 | sqlplus@edwdevdbadm01.humana.com (TNS V1-V3) | select owner, sum(bytes) v1024... |

## 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_PSEDS=>7.535, 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 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', '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, defts# = :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, dblkey = :24, clufac = :25, spare2 = :26, spare3 = :27, defmaxsize = :28 where obj# = :29                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| fdzqjimpvd6hvy | 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

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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)

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

DBMS\_SQLTUNE.REPORT\_TUNING\_TASK(:STMT\_TASK)

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Recommendation (estimated benefit: 88.23%)

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- 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

## 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', tabname =>
'TABPARTS', 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', tabname =>
'TABCOMPARTS', estimate_percent => DBMS_STATS.AUTO_SAMPLE_SIZE,
```

- Result: 20x improvement!

## SQL Patch

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## 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](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/):  
<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 | Demo



[Watch on YouTube](#)

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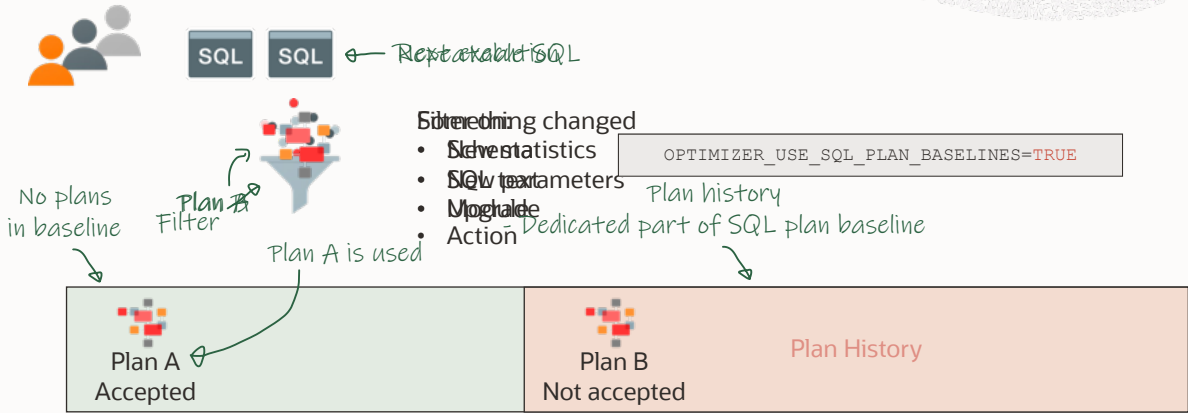
*SQL plan management uses a mechanism called a **SQL plan baseline**, which is a set of accepted plans that the optimizer is allowed to use for a SQL statement.*

...

*SQL plan management prevents performance regressions caused by plan changes.*

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

# SPM | Concept




- Enabled
- Accepted
- Fixed






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





Result:  
Performance **better**

|                                                                                                             |  |  |                                                                                                               |  |                                                                                                         |  |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|
| <br>Plan A<br>Accepted     |  |  | <br>Plan C<br>Accepted       |  | <br>Plan D<br>Accepted |  |
| <br>Plan B<br>Not accepted |  |  | <br>Plan D<br>Not accepted |  | Plan History                                                                                            |  |

Test execute    Test execute

Plan stays



## SPM | Evolve



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 %

## SPM | Management Base



### 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



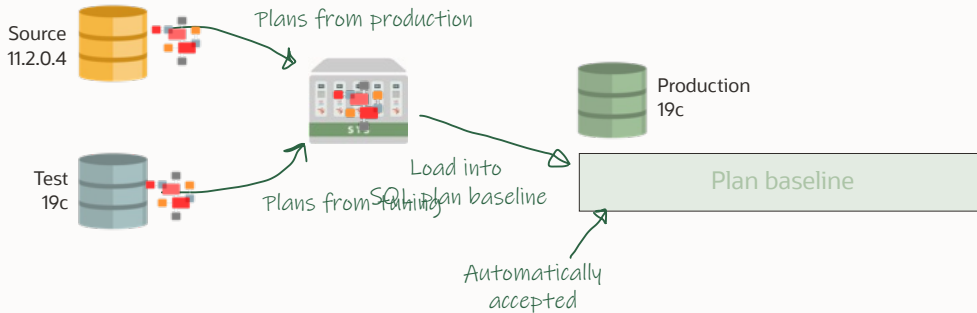
Plan B  
Not accepted

Plan History

Automatically  
accepted



## SPM | 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

# Transporting SQL Plan Baselines

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## 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         |
|-----------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Edition</b>        | EE (subset in SE2)  | EE + Tuning                    | All               |
| <b>Method</b>         | Restrict plan usage | Improves cardinality estimates | Applies hints     |
| <b>Stores</b>         | Entire plan         | Statistics / hints             | Hints             |
| <b>Transportable</b>  | Yes                 | Yes                            | Yes               |
| <b>Plan guarantee</b> | Yes                 | -                              | -                 |
| <b>Maintenance</b>    | Automatic evolve    | Manual inspection              | Manual inspection |

# Performance Stability Prescription





## Database Replay | Overview



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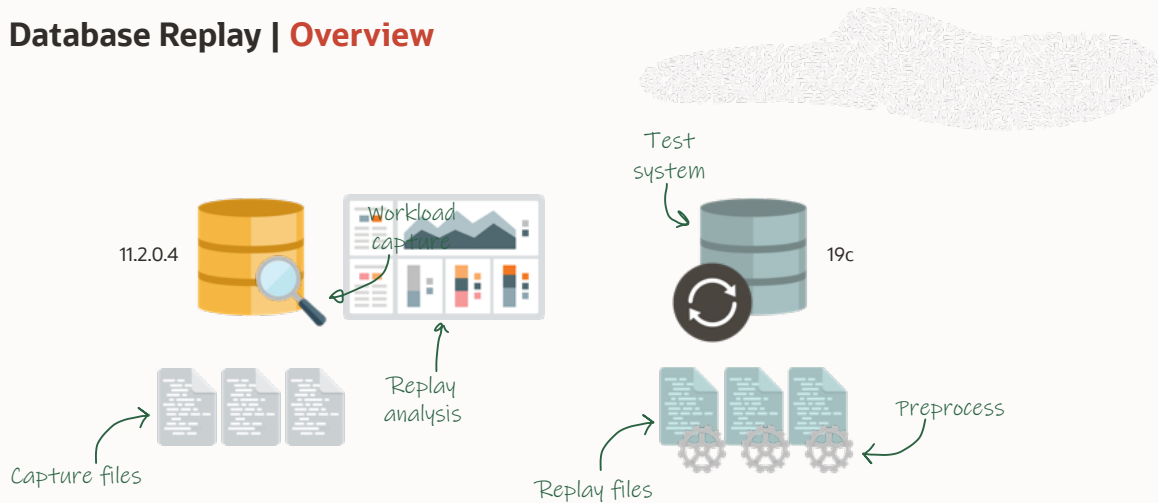
*You can use Database Replay to capture a workload on the production system and replay it on a test system with the exact timing, concurrency, and transaction characteristics of the original workload.*

*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





[Ulrike Schwinn on blogs.oracle.com](http://blogs.oracle.com/ulrike)





## Collapse all sections

This report compares the performance of a workload replay against the performance of the original captured system. Throughout the report "Capturesql" refers to the original captured system, while "Replay" refers to the replayed workload. The most reliable experiment would compare two replays. In a first replay would try to mimic the captured system as much as possible without any system changes. The second replay would be similar to the first while applying a single change as the test variable. (That systems are almost always an approximation of production. The idea of comparing two replays is to isolate the change you want to apply and thus assess the effect of such a change on a system similar to production.)

**(-) Replay Divergence**

This section describes the divergence in reply compared to the capture of 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 most 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 Cells That Diverge |
|-----------------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------------|
| Replay Divergence (compared to Capture) | High             | 1.80%                         |

This section does a high-level performance comparison of the two periods. 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 pieces that follow (CPU, user I/O, 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 D0 time | Capture total time | Play total time  | Capture % of D0 time | Play % of D0 time |
|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| Defeature Time    | -36.61%           | 21929.89 seconds   | 22730.42 seconds | 100                  | 100               |
| Off Time          | -66.93%           | 14420.26 seconds   | 4395.64 seconds  | 28.16                | (9.5)             |
| User D0 Wait Time | -100.52%          | 6209.74 seconds    | 23922.59 seconds | 111.96               | 96.91             |
| Cluster Wait Time | -66.52%           | 2151.53 seconds    | 367.9 seconds    | 4.14                 | 1.53              |

(-) 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 full execution signature to account for literal usage. They are ordered by the total change in DB Time, so the most relevant changes are those that impact total throughput the most. Any SQL tuning you do should begin with the statement that regains used by the most DB Time.

| Force Main long Signature: example 505_3D                               | Change in DB Time | Change in Average Response Time | Capture DB time | Regfly DB time  | example sql test |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|
| 1305095440164124867                                                     | 444m4s12675p      | 3644.34 seconds                 | 100%            | 3644.34 seconds | 0 seconds        |
| (*) SELECT A1,3D FROM TEMP_APREX_NIC_CHART_306 S A1, TEMP_APREX_NIC_C T |                   |                                 |                 |                 |                  |

### 4.3 Two Call by Change in Diff. 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 as they are ordered by the change in DB Time, so the most relevant changes are those that impact total throughput the most. SQ<sub>1</sub>\_ID and SQ<sub>2</sub> text are displayed for information purpose about the call. Any SQL tuning you do should begin with I because that is represented by the most DB Time.


### 6-3 CPSR Overview

This section describes general CPU usage on the systems and helps see how 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 part.

| System   | CPU Sockets/Cores/Threads | Host's CPU Usage | Oracle Sessions on CPU | Oracle Run-queue Low |
|----------|---------------------------|------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| Capture  | 12/12/48                  | 21.23%           | 6.14 active sessions   | 3.23 active sessions |
| Baseline | 16/16/64                  | 51.99%           | 1.61 active sessions   | 1.38 active sessions |



## 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;
/
```

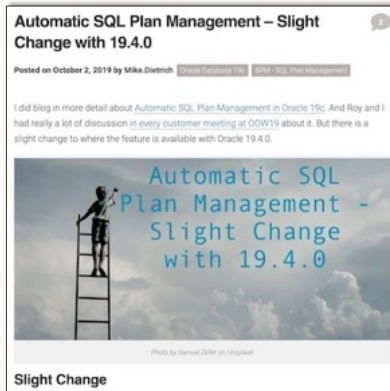
# Surprise | Automatic SQL Plan Management

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 |
| ALTERNATE_PLAN_SOURCE   | n/a      | CURSOR_CACHE+<br>AUTOMATIC_WORK<br>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](#)



## 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`

| Feature / Option / Pack                                  | S<br>E<br>2 | E<br>E | EE-<br>ES | DB<br>CS<br>SE | DB<br>CS<br>EE | DBC<br>S EE-<br>HP | DBC<br>S EE-<br>EP | ExaC<br>S | Notes                                                                          |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------|--------|-----------|----------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Real-Time Statistics                                     | N           | N      | Y         | N              | N              | N                  | N                  | Y         | <b>EE-ES</b> Available on Exadata. Not available on Oracle Database Appliance. |
| High-Frequency Automatic Optimizer Statistics Collection | N           | N      | Y         | N              | N              | N                  | N                  | Y         | <b>EE-ES</b> 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 Number: 376442.1](#)



**SQLdb360 v202: 360-degree comprehensive report on an Oracle database 19.0.0.0**

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| 1a. Database Configuration               | 2a. Database Administration                          | 3a. Database Resource Management (DBRM)            | 4a. System Global Area (SGA) Statistics History                             |
|------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. System Global Area (SGA) (2023-02-28) | 46. Locks (2023-02-28)                               | 204. Consumer Groups (2023-02-28)                  | 376. SGA Statistics (2023-02-28)                                            |
| 2. Local Profile: Per User (2023-02-28)  | 47. Invalid Objects (2023-02-28)                     | 205. Consumer Groups Users and Roles (2023-02-28)  | 377. SGA Statistics for Instance 1 (2023-02-28)                             |
| 3. Local Profile: Per User (2023-02-28)  | 48. Invalid Constraints (2023-02-28)                 | 206. Resource Groups Mapping (2023-02-28)          | 378. Total SGA Allocated (2023-02-28) per PDB for Instance 1 (2023-02-28)   |
| 4. Identifiers (2023-02-28)              | 49. Enabled and not Enabled Constraints (2023-02-28) | 207. Resource Groups Mapping/Profiles (2023-02-28) | 379. Shared Pool Allocated (2023-02-28) per PDB for Instance 1 (2023-02-28) |
| 5. Version (2023-02-28)                  | 50. Non-enabled Constraints (2023-02-28)             | 208. Resource Plan (2023-02-28)                    | 380. Large Pool Allocated (2023-02-28) per PDB for Instance 1 (2023-02-28)  |
| 6. Database (2023-02-28)                 | 51. Unusable Indexes (2023-02-28)                    | 209. Resource Plans (2023-02-28)                   | 381. Java Pool Allocated (2023-02-28) per PDB for Instance 1 (2023-02-28)   |
| 7. Database (2023-02-28)                 | 52. Unusable Indexes (2023-02-28)                    | 210. Resource Plan (2023-02-28)                    | 382. Shared Pool Allocated (2023-02-28) per PDB for Instance 1 (2023-02-28) |
| 8. Database (2023-02-28)                 | 53. Function-based Indexes (2023-02-28)              | 211. Resource Plan (2023-02-28)                    | 383. Subspace in the Shared Pool with largest changes (2023-02-28)          |
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| 10. Database (2023-02-28)                | 55. Indexes (2023-02-28)                             | 213. Resource Plan (2023-02-28)                    | 385. Memory allocation for 'SGA' (2023-02-28)                               |
| 11. Database (2023-02-28)                | 56. Indexes (2023-02-28)                             | 214. Resource Plan (2023-02-28)                    | 386. Memory allocation for 'SGA' (2023-02-28)                               |
| 12. Database (2023-02-28)                | 57. Indexes (2023-02-28)                             | 215. Resource Plan (2023-02-28)                    | 387. Memory allocation for 'SGA' (2023-02-28)                               |
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| 28. Database (2023-02-28)                | 73. Indexes (2023-02-28)                             | 231. Resource Plan (2023-02-28)                    | 403. Memory allocation for 'SGA' (2023-02-28)                               |
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| 31. Database (2023-02-28)                | 76. Indexes (2023-02-28)                             | 234. Resource Plan (2023-02-28)                    | 406. Memory allocation for 'SGA' (2023-02-28)                               |
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| 43. Database (2023-02-28)                | 88. Indexes (2023-02-28)                             | 246. Resource Plan (2023-02-28)                    | 418. Memory allocation for 'SGA' (2023-02-28)                               |
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## 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<br>(See Notes) | Y  | Y     | Y<br>(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

A person is sitting on a wooden pier that extends into a calm lake. The lake reflects the surrounding landscape, which includes steep, forested mountains and a clear blue sky. The scene is peaceful and scenic.

# Now RELAX ...

And open an SR with  
Oracle Support in case  
of real trouble



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# Chapter 5

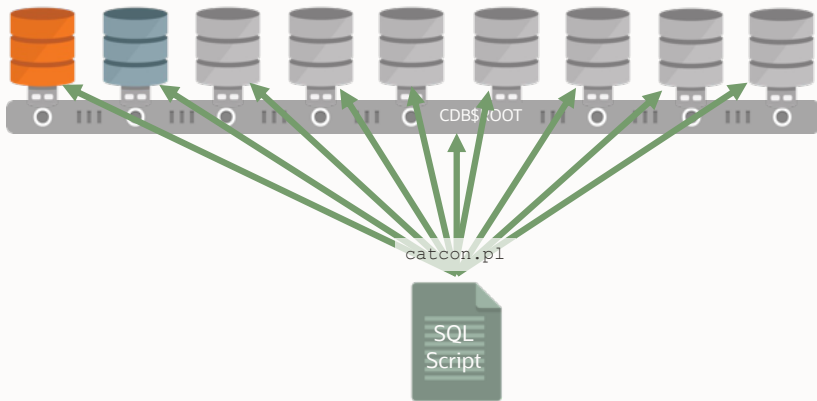
# Multitenant Migration



## 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

## Unplug / Plug / Upgrade

Upgrade one or multiple PDBs in a higher version, new CDB

## More Options

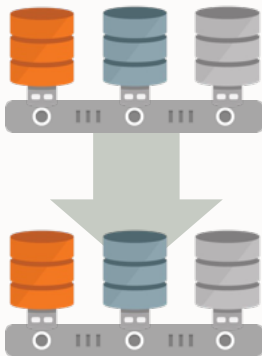
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## More Power

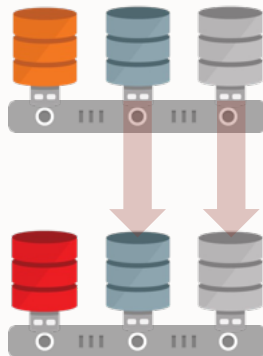
Speed Up "Everything at Once" CDB upgrades

## CDB Upgrades | Options

Everything at Once

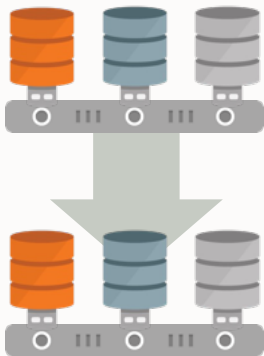


Unplug / Plug / Upgrade

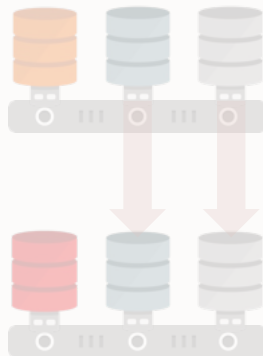


## CDB Upgrades | Option 1

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
```

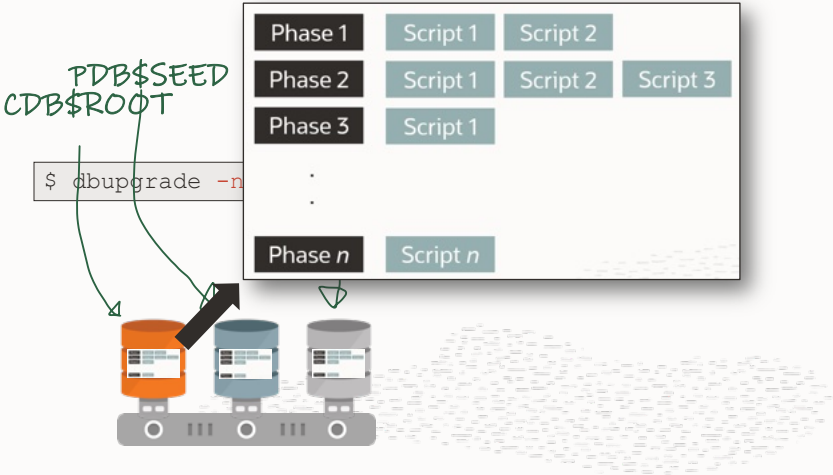
## Parallel Upgrade | Container Database



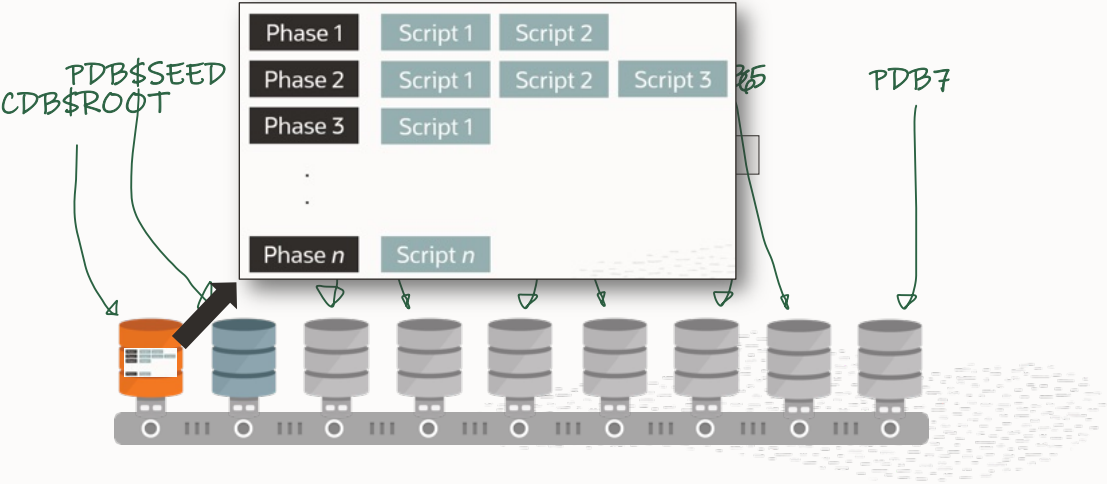
But - there is another **limit**

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

# Parallel Upgrade | Single Tenant



# Parallel Upgrade | Multitenant





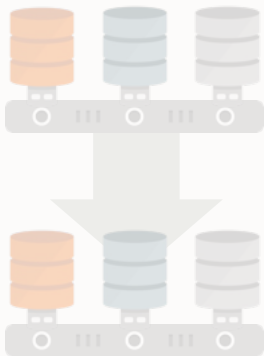
## Parallel Upgrade | Multitenant



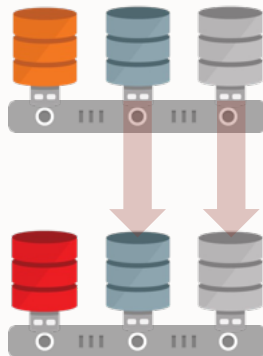
Scale by upgrading  
more PDBs simultaneously

## CDB Upgrades | Option 2

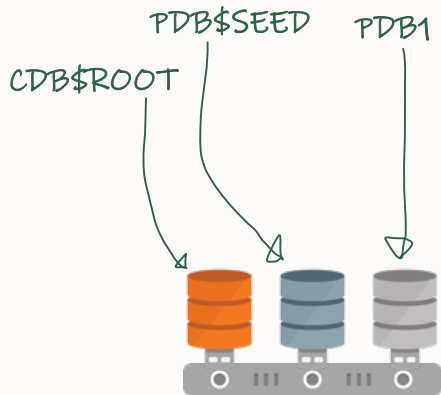
Everything at Once



Unplug / Plug / Upgrade



## Parallel Upgrade | **Unplug-plug Upgrade**



## Parallel Upgrade | **Unplug-plug**



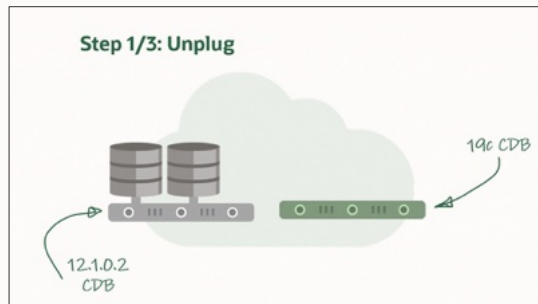
Unplug-plug always **faster** than

Non-CDB  
Single Tenant  
Multitenant

# AutoUpgrade | Unplug-plug Upgrade

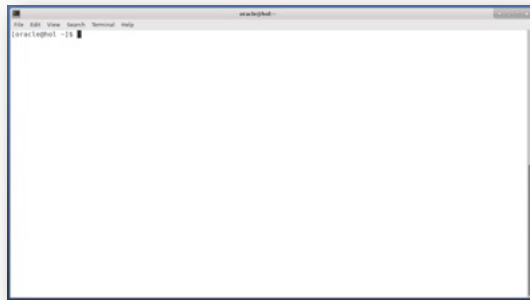
## Upgrade a single PDB

- 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

```
upg1.sid=CDB12102
upg1.target_cdb=CDB19
upg1.pdb$=pdb1
upg1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/12102
upg1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19
```



[Watch on YouTube](#)

## 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')
```

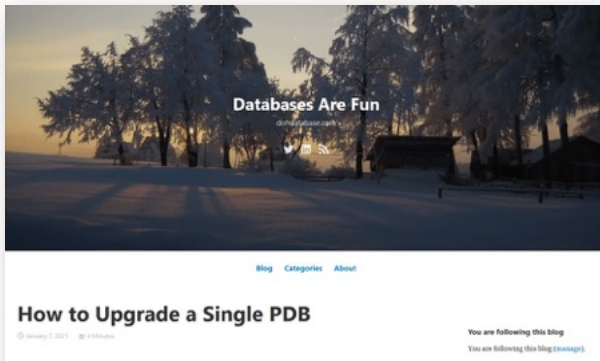
## AutoUpgrade | **Unplug-plug Upgrade**

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>



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

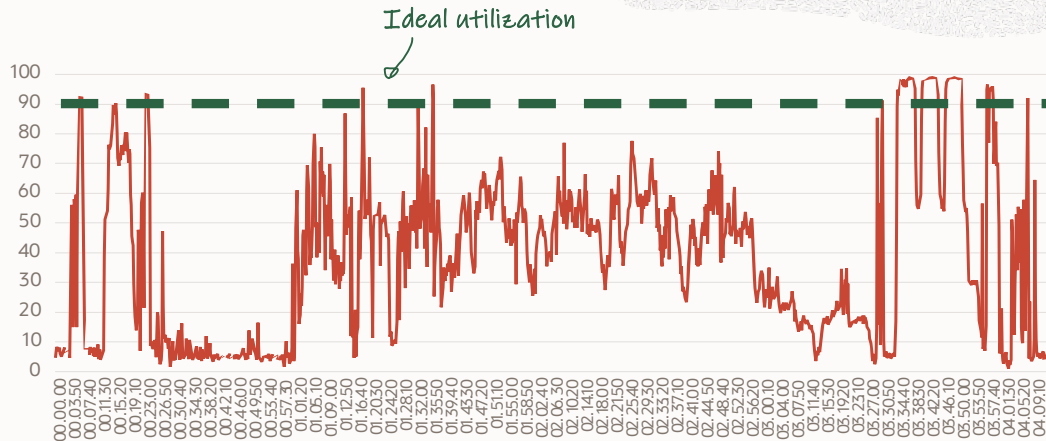


## Faster Upgrades | Overview

- 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)

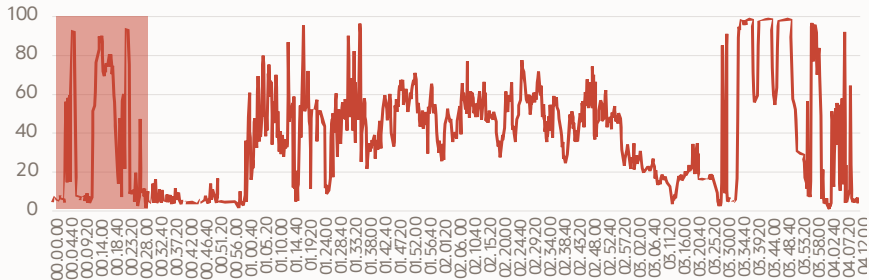
- Upgrade from 12.1.0.2 to 19

## Faster Upgrades | CPU Utilization



Total upgrade time: 4 hours 8 minutes

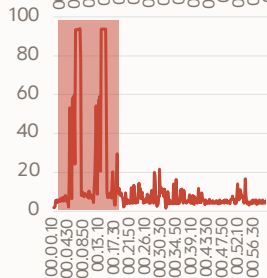
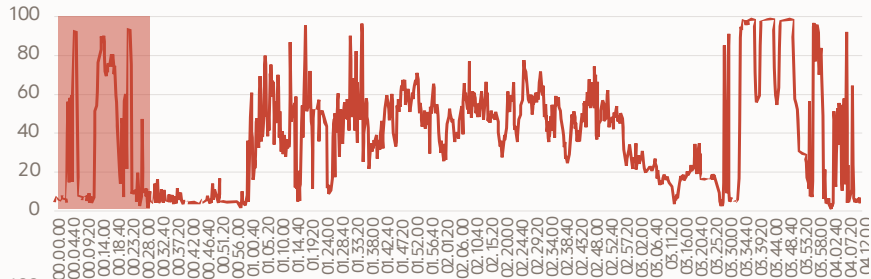
## Faster Upgrades | CPU Utilization



### Preupgrade check and fixups

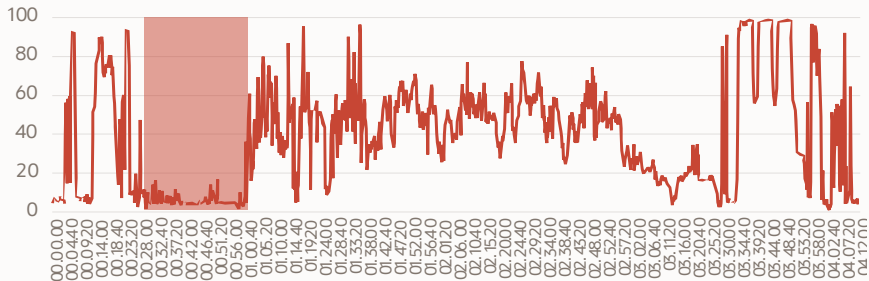
- Gather dictionary and fixed objects stats in advance (7 days)

## Faster Upgrades | CPU Utilization



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

## Faster Upgrades | CPU Utilization

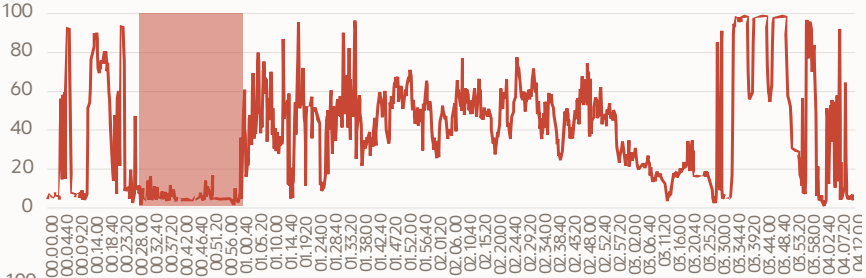


### Upgrade CDB\$ROOT

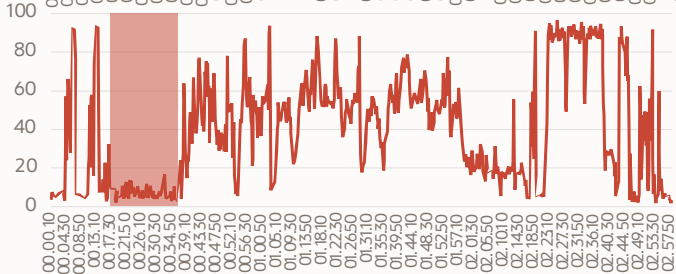
- Remove components
- AutoUpgrade automatically assigns 8 parallel processes to CDB\$ROOT upgrade



# Faster Upgrades | CPU Utilization



All components installed

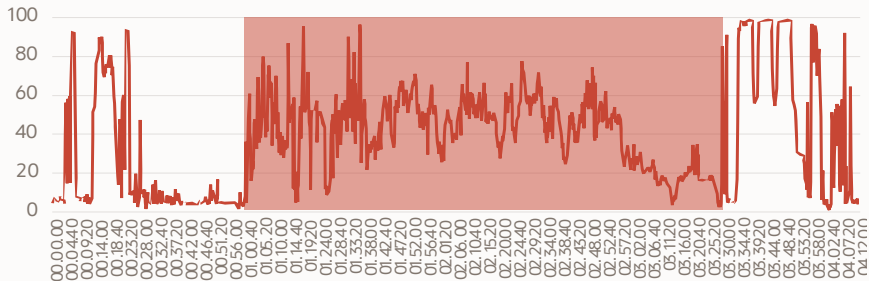


Removing all components

13 minutes faster



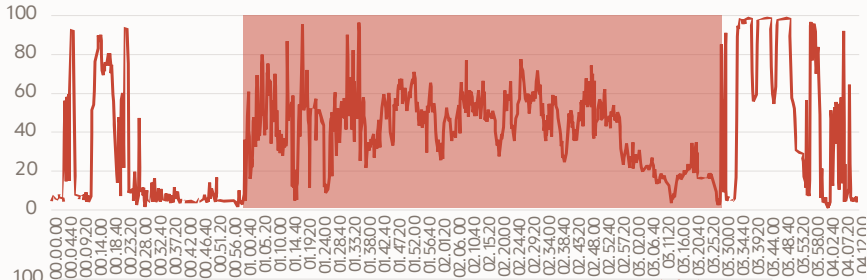
## Faster Upgrades | CPU Utilization



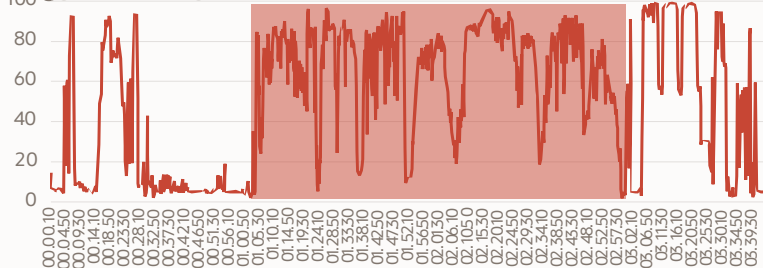
### Upgrade PDB\$SEED and user PDBs

- Add more PDBs (`catctl -n`)
- Keep parallel processes per PDB at default (2)
- Remove components from PDBs

## Faster Upgrades | CPU Utilization



32 parallel processes



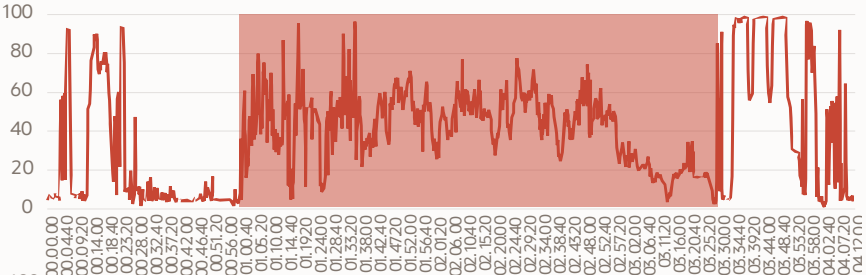
54 parallel processes

`upgl.catctl_options=-n 54`

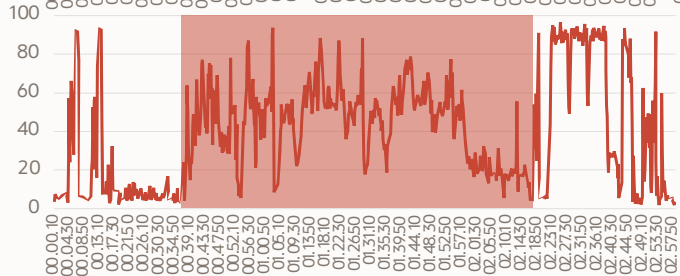
26 minutes **faster**

Pro tip: Remember to increase  
PROCESSES dramatically

# Faster Upgrades | CPU Utilization



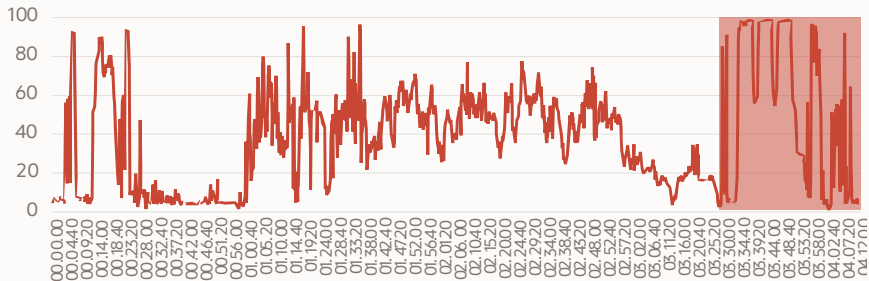
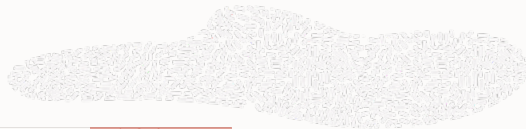
All components installed



Removing all components

48 minutes **faster**

## Faster Upgrades | CPU Utilization



### Post upgrade checks and fixups

- Recompilation (utlprp) 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

21:05

Heute, +0 STD.

München

16:35

Heute, -6 STD.

Boston

10:35

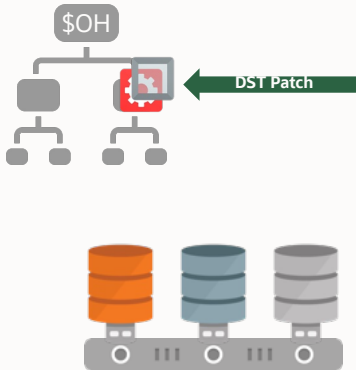
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San Francisco

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## Multitenant and Time Zone Patching

## Time Zone | Multitenant DST Version and Patching



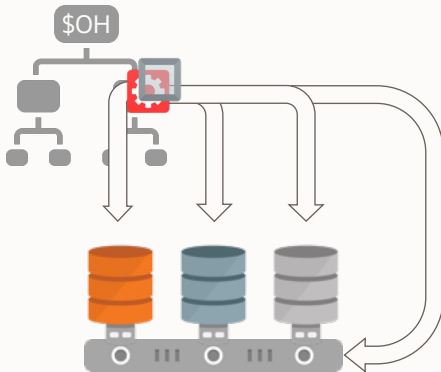
- New 19c CDB gets created with DST V32

| 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



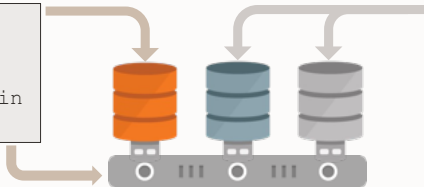
- Upgrading by default will adjust time zone
  - AutoUpgrade default:  
`upg1.timezone_upg=yes`
  - 2 restarts will happen
  - Time zone upgrade happens for all containers
- Manual time zone upgrade is still possible
  - `~/rdbms/admin/utltz_countstar.sql`
  - `~/rdbms/admin/utltz_upg_check.sql`
  - `~/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
-l /home/oracle
-b tz_check_ROOT_SEED
-d $ORACLE_HOME/rdbms/admin
utltz_upg_check.sql
```



```
perl catcon.pl -n 1 -S
-l /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

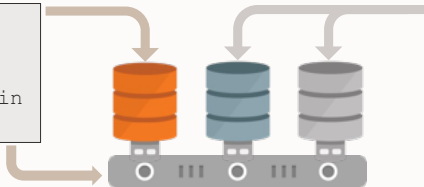
- Exclusive locks may happen

Apply script:

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

```
perl catcon.pl -n 1 -s
-l /home/oracle
-b tz_apply_ROOT_SEED
-d $ORACLE_HOME/rdbms/admin
utltz_upg_apply.sql
```

```
perl catcon.pl -n 1 -S
-l /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 | 101

Yesterday I wrote about how to adjust the time zone setting in the `init.ora` as by default the time zone scripts won't touch the `init.ora` when you execute them. And in addition, MOS Note:1509653.1 tells you, that the `init.ora` 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 PDBSEED – but I didn't explain **how to patch all PDBs with the a new time zone file?**



Photo by Laurent Masson on Unsplash

How to patch all your PDBs with a new time zone patch?



die Mobiliar

# Getting ready for the future

Upgrade / Migrate and  
Consolidate to Multitenant  
at La Mobilière, Switzerland

## Customer Case | La Mobilière

### Customer

Swiss Mobiliar

Project

- Switzerland's most personal insurer

Constraints

- Founded 1826 in Bern, oldest Swiss insurance

Preparation

- Legal form:

Upgrade

- Cooperative association (mutual company)

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



6 000 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

### Project 2017

Constraints

Preparation

Upgrade

Success?

Remarks

Upgrade 337 databases

- Oracle Database 12.1.0.2 to Oracle Database 12.2.0.1
- 82 production databases
- 8 container databases
  - 350 PDBs
  - Max of 50 PDB's in one CDB in dev

Move from schema-based consolidation to PDBs

PDB-only architecture with Oracle 12.2

- Except 3rd party app restrictions



## Customer Case | La Mobilière

Customer

**Project 2017**

Constraints

Preparation

Upgrade

Success?

Remarks

### Motivation

- Developers want Oracle 12.2 features
- Cost savings with Multitenant
- Reduce admin costs by automation

## Customer Case | La Mobilière

Customer

Project 2017

Constraints

**Preparation**

Upgrade

Success?

Remarks

Regression tests

- Done during the testing phase of the Mobiliar Software Release
- Database **RELEASE UPDATE (RU)**: 12.2.0.1.170718

Dual Oracle Home strategy

Upgrade to Oracle Database 12.2

- With **catctl.pl** embedded into home-built shell script

Performance tests performed by application owner

# Customer Case | La Mobilière

Customer

Project 2017

Constraints

**Preparation**

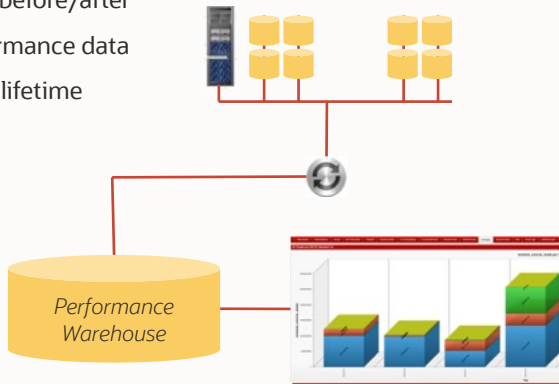
Upgrade

Success?

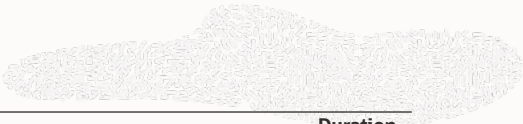
Remarks

Performance tracking with Mobiliar's **own** AWR Warehouse

- Compare performance before/after
- 7 TB of historical performance data
- Covers entire database lifetime



# Customer Case | La Mobilière



Customer

Project 2017

Constraints

Preparation

**Upgrade**

Success?

Remarks

50 PDBs - Upgrade in one pass

| Upgrade Steps (parallel degree: -n 32)                        |  | Duration         |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|--|------------------|
| <b>PRE TASKS (online)</b>                                     |  | <b>13 min</b>    |
| Execution of preupgrade.jar                                   |  | 5 min            |
| Execution of pre upgrade fixup scripts                        |  | 8 min            |
| <b>Upgrade TASKS (offline)</b>                                |  | <b>3h 29 min</b> |
| Create guarantee restore point and change oracle home to 12.2 |  | 5 min            |
| All in one Upgrade of CDB\$ROOT and all PDB's                 |  | <b>2h 46 min</b> |
| Recompile of CDB\$ROOT and all PDB's after upgrade to 12.2    |  | <b>32 min</b>    |
| Enable local undo mode for container database                 |  | 6 min            |
| <b>POST TASKS (online)</b>                                    |  | <b>11 min</b>    |
| Immediate create level 0 backup of container database         |  | 10 min           |
| Drop guarantee restore point after successful upgrade         |  | 1 min            |
| <b>Total Upgrade Time</b>                                     |  | <b>3h 53 min</b> |



## Customer Case | La Mobilière

Customer  
Project 2017

Constraints

Preparation

Upgrade

**Success?**

Remarks

Parallel upgrade `catctl.pl` unfolds its full power when upgrading many PDBs at the same time

- 50 PDBs upgraded in less than 4 hours

When we encounter issues, we fix them before going live

- Follow their projects on: <https://mobiliar.ch/db-blog> 

**100% Multitenant Consolidation reached in Oct 1, 2019**

# Customer Case | La Mobilière

Customer

Project 2017

Constraints

Preparation

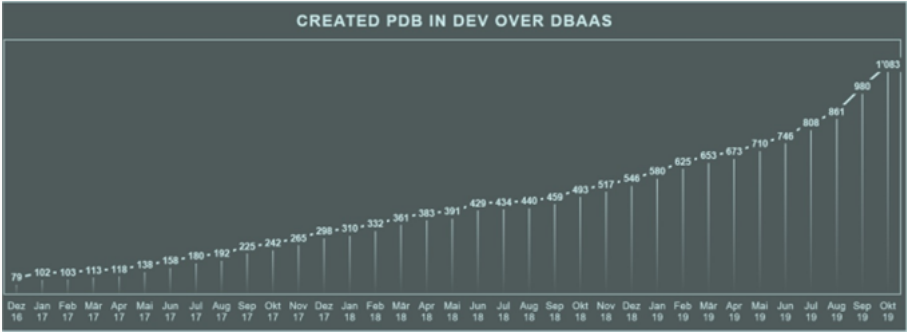
Upgrade

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

- 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

Project 2019

Constraints

**Preparation**

Migration

Success?

Remarks

## Move to Exadata

- Complete script automation
  - Including error handling

### Pre-Actions

- 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

### Post actions

- 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

Project 2019

Constraints

Preparation

**Migration**

Success?

Remarks

### Automated script

- Kick off: Friday, 22:00h
- 8 parallel script loops
- Monitored first clone loop - looked good!
- Went to sleep ...

## Customer Case | La Mobilière

Customer

352 PDBs

Project 2019

- 346 moved to the new CDBs fully automatically without errors

Constraints

- 8 PDB's aborted with errors

Preparation

- Got identified quickly and moved manually

Migration

- 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://mobiliardblog.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

**Project 2020**

Constraints

Preparation

Upgrade

Success?

Remarks

Upgrade 2000 PDBs

- Oracle Database 12.2.0.1 to 19c
- Up to 50 PDBs per CDB in PROD
- Up to 150 PDBs per CDB in Dev/Test

## Customer Case | La Mobilière

Customer

Project 2020

**Constraints**

Preparation

Upgrade

Success?

Remarks

CPU resources limited

- Solution: Sequential upgrades
- One DBA covers 1-2 CDB upgrades
- Once done, next DBA steps in



## Customer Case | La Mobilière

Customer

Project 2020

Constraints

**Preparation**

Upgrade

Success?

Remarks

Adopt **AutoUpgrade**

- Download newest version from [MOS: 2485457.1](#)
- Phase 1: 735 PDBs on a single weekend
  - CDB1 144 PDBs
  - CDB2 148 PDBs
  - CDB3 148 PDBs
  - CDB4 147 PDBs
  - CDB5 148 PDBs

# Customer Case | La Mobilière

Customer

Project 2020

Constraints

Preparation

**Upgrade**

Success?

Remarks

Upgrade timings \*

Dispatcher finished for CDB1

INFO ----- Stages

SETUP <1 min

PREUPGRADE <1 min

PRECHECKS 4 min

GRP <1 min

PREFIXUPS 9 min

DRAIN 2 min

DBUPGRADE 279 min

POSTCHECKS 4 min

POSTFIXUPS 60 min

POSTUPGRADE 19 min

**Total 380 min**

Dispatcher finished for CDB2

INFO ----- Stages

SETUP <1 min

PREUPGRADE <1 min

PRECHECKS 4 min

GRP <1 min

PREFIXUPS 9 min

DRAIN 2 min

DBUPGRADE 305 min

POSTCHECKS 7 min

POSTFIXUPS 93 min

POSTUPGRADE 21 min

**Total 444 min**

Dispatcher finished for CDB3

INFO ----- Stages

SETUP <1 min

PREUPGRADE <1 min

PRECHECKS 5 min

GRP <1 min

PREFIXUPS 12 min

DRAIN 2 min

DBUPGRADE 286 min

POSTCHECKS 4 min

POSTFIXUPS 78 min

POSTUPGRADE 20 min

**Total 410 min**

Dispatcher finished for CDB4

INFO ----- Stages

SETUP <1 min

PREUPGRADE <1 min

PRECHECKS 5 min

GRP <1 min

PREFIXUPS 14 min

DRAIN 2 min

DBUPGRADE 293 min

POSTCHECKS 4 min

POSTFIXUPS 80 min

POSTUPGRADE 21 min

**Total 422 min**

\* Logs of CDB5 are lost

## Customer Case | La Mobilière

Customer

Project 2020

Constraints

Preparation

Upgrade

**Success?**

Remarks

### Upgrade timings

- Average: 6 - 7.5 hours
- Including recompilation
- Only 10 oCPUs used per CDB

## 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://mobiliardblog.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



# Chapter 6

# Migration Strategies



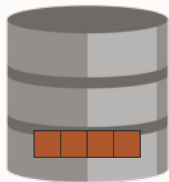
# Migration Strategies Overview



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

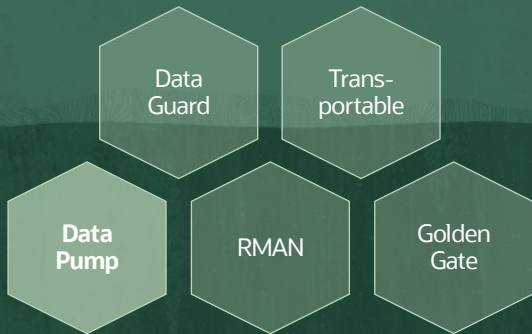
- Download from [MOS Note: 136697.1](#)
- In Multitenant, it must be run in each PDB separately



## ORAch 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





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## 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

## Documentation

- [Oracle Database 19c Utilities Guide](#)



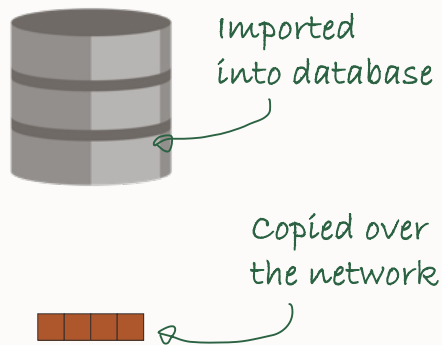
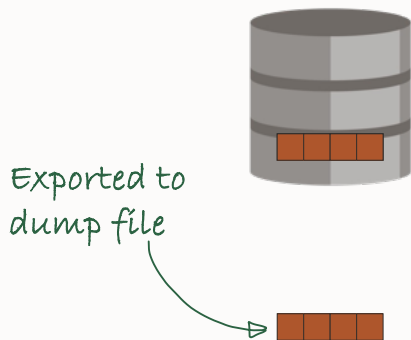
## Consideration

- Duration for large amounts of data and complex structures

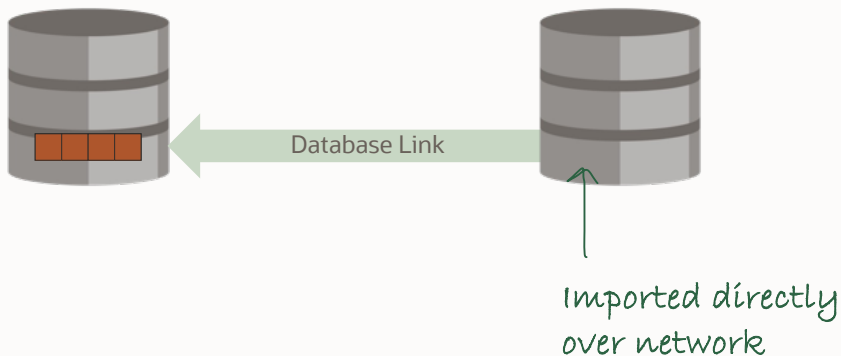
# Data Pump

## Basics

## Data Pump | Dump File



## Data Pump | Network Mode



## Data Pump | Mode Comparison



### 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

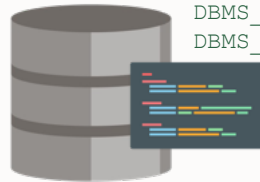
DBMS\_DATAPUMP  
DBMS\_METADATA



expdp



DBMS\_DATAPUMP  
DBMS\_METADATA



impdp



# 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**

Dictionary Statistics

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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

Consistency

**Dictionary Statistics**

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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

Parameter file

Consistency

Dictionary Statistics

**Diagnostics**

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LOBs

Dump files

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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

Parameter file

Consistency

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Diagnostics

**Parallel**

Statistics

LOBs

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Compression

## 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

Parameter file

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**Statistics**

LOBs

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Compression

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

Parameter file  
Consistency  
Dictionary Statistics  
Diagnostics  
Parallel  
Statistics

### LOBs

Dump files  
Compression

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

Parameter file

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**Dump files**

Compression

### Export to multiple files

```
dumpfile=dumpfile%U.dmp
filesize=5g
```

### For more than 99 files

```
dumpfile=dumpfile%L.dmp
filesize=5g
```

Required if you use parallel export

## Data Pump | Best Practices

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Dump files

**Compression**

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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**Compression**

### 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   | 610.7       |
| slot03           | 6     | 6.7%    | 103354.8 0.0    | 100.9     | 202.2   | 611.1       |
| slot05           | 6     | 9.0%    | 130420.9 7.0    | 127.4     | 262.0   | 697.8       |
| slot06           | 6     | 10.5%   | 158841.9 175.3  | 155.3     | 329.3   | 610.7       |
| slot08           | 6     | 8.4%    | 130835.3 0.0    | 127.8     | 256.0   | 611.0       |
| slot09           | 6     | 10.1%   | 136525.9 0.0    | 133.3     | 267.0   | 611.3       |
| slot10           | 6     | 6.6%    | 140383.4 0.0    | 137.1     | 275.0   | 610.6       |
| slot11           | 6     | 6.8%    | 112600.0 2.0    | 110.0     | 220.7   | 610.3       |
| 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

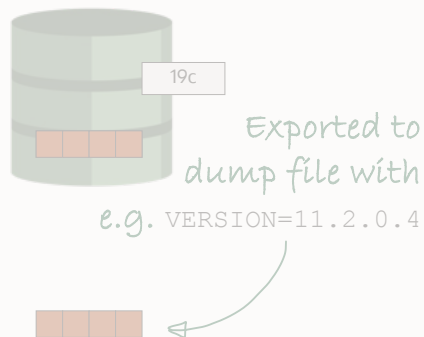
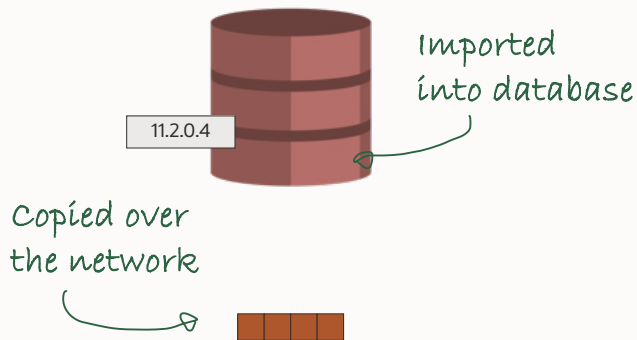
## Use Cases

## 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



# Data Pump

## Advanced Features

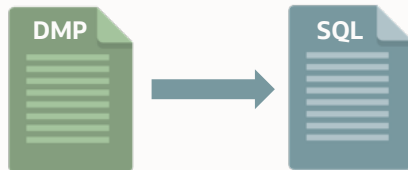


## Data Pump | **Generate SQL Statements**

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

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```
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

Project 2009

Constraints

Preparation

Migration

Success?

Remarks

Payback GmbH

- Belongs to **American Express**
- HQ in Munich, Germany
- Develops and operates professional **customer loyalty programs** based on customized IT solutions



## Customer Case | Payback

Customer

### Project 2009

Constraints

Preparation

Migration

Success?

Remarks

Migrate **7TB / 1.5TB** from HP-UX to Exadata V1

- Cross platform, cross Endianness, cross version
  - Oracle 9.2.0.7 on HP-UX ⇒ Oracle 11.1.0.7 on OL
- 4 months planning and migration phase
  - August to November 2009
- Proposed go-live date
  - 15-NOV-2009



## Customer Case | Payback

Customer  
Project 2009

### Constraints

Preparation

Migration

Success?

Remarks

Move everything in **less than 24 hrs**

Network bottleneck

- Remedy:  
Install extra InfiniBand hardware into HP box  
⇒ ~ 3GB/sec throughput!

# Customer Case | Payback

Customer

Project 2009

Constraints

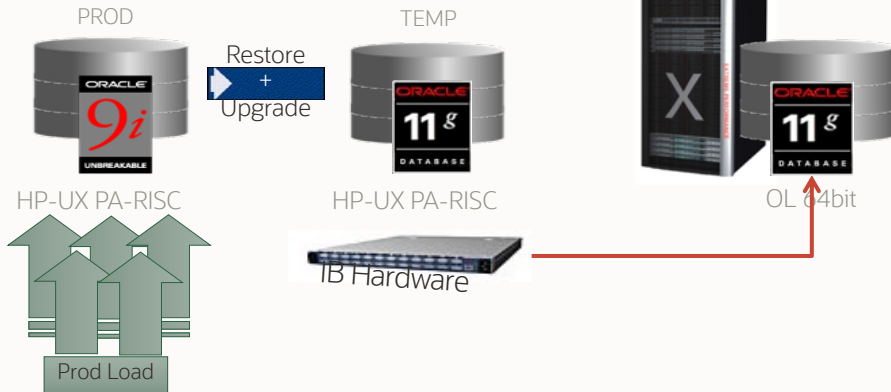
**Preparation**

Migration

Success?

Remarks

Setup



# Customer Case | Payback

Customer

Project 2009

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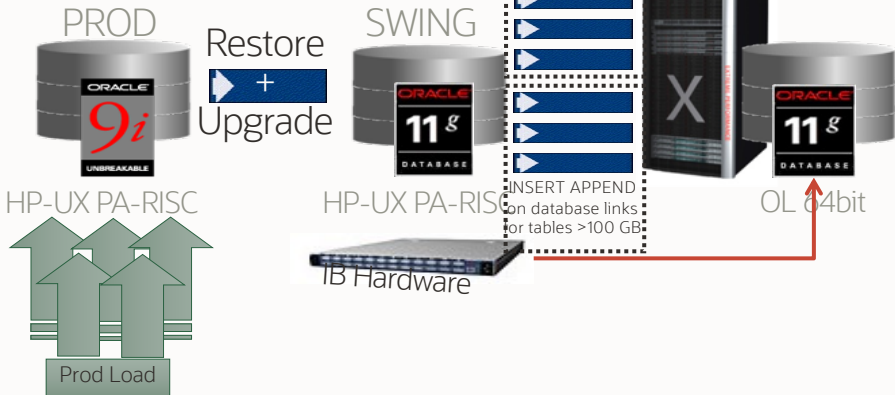
**Preparation**

Migration

Success?

Remarks

Test migration





## Customer Case | Payback

Customer

Project 2009

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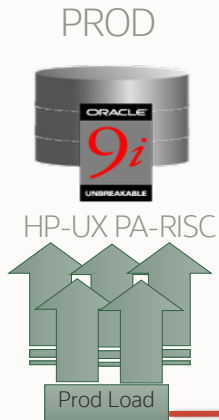
**Preparation**

Migration

Success?

Remarks

Parallel loads and performance tests



Redirect the production load by apps servers

## Customer Case | Payback

Customer

Project 2009

Constraints

Preparation

**Migration**

Success?

Remarks

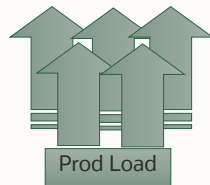
Last test came live migration



HP-UX PA-RISC



OL 64bit



## Customer Case | Payback

|              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|--------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Customer     | Live? And alive?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Project 2009 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Yes! Go-live in early November 2009<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Two weeks earlier than proposed</li></ul></li></ul>                                                                               |
| Constraints  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Total upgrade and migration time: ~20 hours</li></ul>                                                                                                                                                        |
| Preparation  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• ~ 8 hours: Restore and recovery</li><li>• ~ 1 hour: Database upgrade to Oracle 11.1.0.7</li><li>• ~10 hours: Data migration to Exadata V1</li><li>• ~ 1 hour: Smoke testing and final verification</li></ul> |
| Migration    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Success?     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dramatic performance improvements</li></ul>                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Remarks      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Job runtimes decreased by 80%</li><li>• User complaints about too fast performance ... really!!</li></ul>                                                                                                    |

# Customer Case | Payback

Customer

Project 2009

Constraints

Preparation

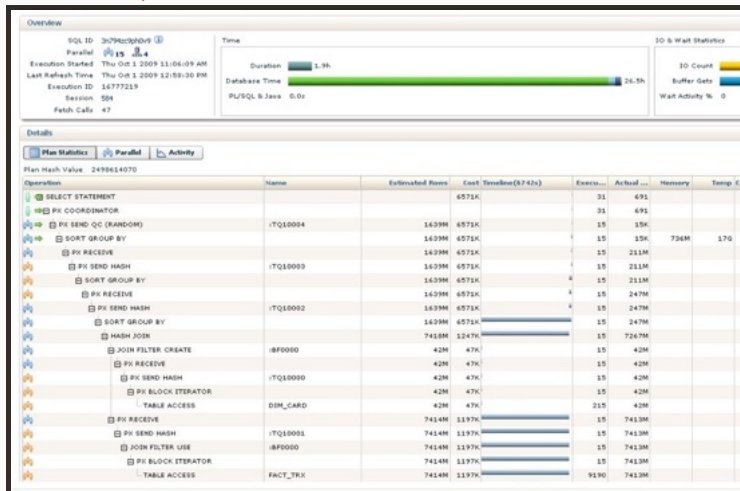
Migration

Success?

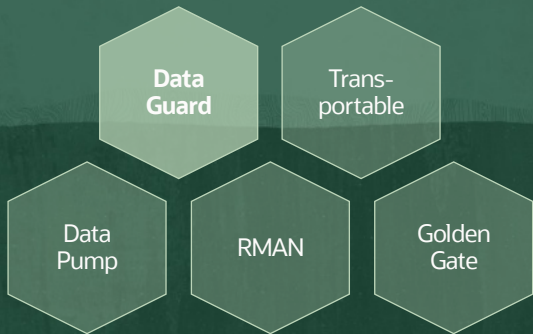
Remarks

Not a single piece of SQL got changed!!!

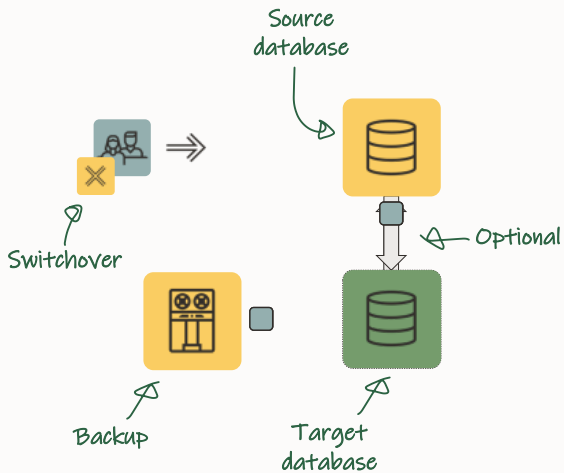
- **Most critical job:** runtime from 30hrs to < 2hrs



# 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

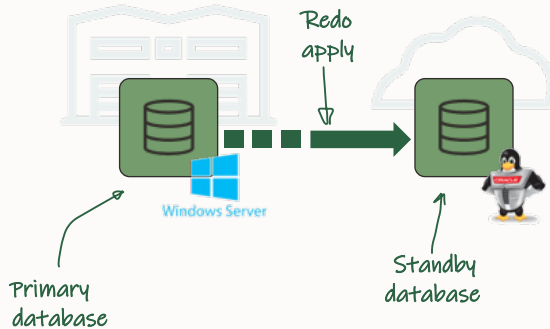
1. Migrate database to new hardware and upgrade from 11.2.0.4 to 19c
2. Target host must run Oracle Linux 9
3. To use Data Guard, you must install Oracle Database 11.2.0.4 on target host
4. Oracle Database 11.2.0.4 is **not certified** on Oracle Linux 9

**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:

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```
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,<br>TB/Day | 11.2.0.4 | 12.1.0.2 | 12.2 | MIRA 2x<br>12.2 | MIRA 4x<br>12.2 |
|-----------------------|----------|----------|------|-----------------|-----------------|
| <b>Batch</b>          | 57       | 57       | 57   | 115             | 226             |
| <b>OLTP</b>           | 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,<br>Gbps | 11.2.0.4 | 12.1.0.2 | 12.2   | MIRA 2x<br>12.2 | MIRA 4x<br>12.2 |
|---------------------|----------|----------|--------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 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

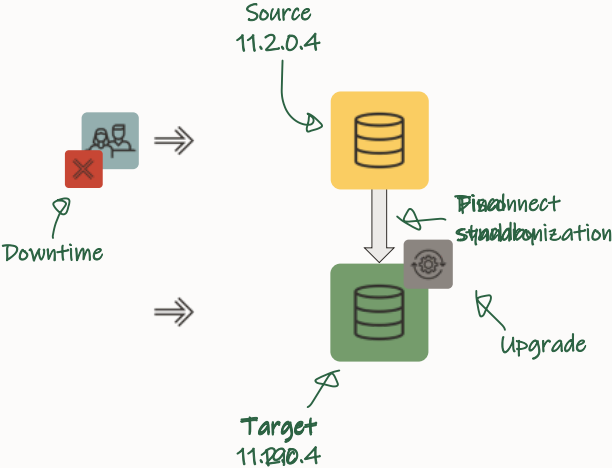


What about upgrade?



Downtime is required to upgrade database after switchover

# Data Guard | Upgrade



# Data Guard | AutoUpgrade



| SOURCE DATABASE                                            | TARGET DATABASE                                                      |
|------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>java -jar autoupgrade.jar -mode analyze</code>       |                                                                      |
| DOWNTIME                                                   |                                                                      |
| <code>alter system flush redo to ... confirm apply;</code> |                                                                      |
|                                                            | <code>recover managed standby database cancel;</code>                |
|                                                            | <code>recover standby database;</code>                               |
|                                                            | <code>alter database recover managed standby database finish;</code> |
|                                                            | <code>alter database activate physical standby database;</code>      |
|                                                            | <code>alter database open;</code>                                    |
|                                                            | <code>java -jar autoupgrade.jar -mode deploy</code>                  |







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



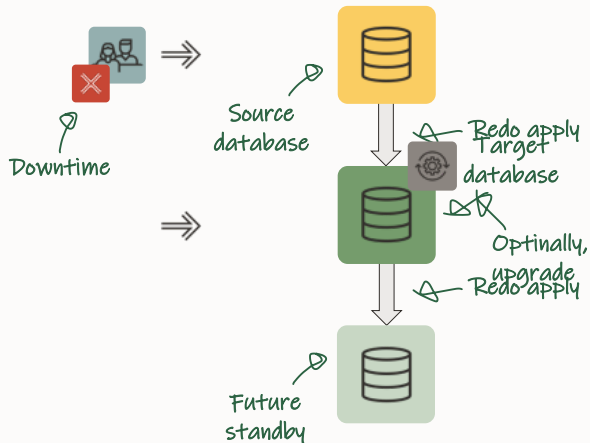
Your target database must  
be protected by Data Guard?





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

- Belongs to **American Express**
- HQ in Munich, Germany
- Develops and operates professional **customer loyalty programs** based on customized IT solutions

Project 2012

Constraints

Preparation

Upgrade

Success?

Remarks



## Customer Case | Payback

Customer

Migrate 14TB from Exadata V1 to Exadata X2-2

Project 2012

Project timeline: 2 months including all tests

Constraints

Preparation

How to?

Upgrade

- MOS Note: 1055938.1  
Hardware and Oracle Migration using Data Guard (Case 2)

Success?

Remarks

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 the logs and apply. Depending this step, your downtime will vary. Upgrade and recompilation time vary per application.
3. Activate the standby, open the database, and perform the upgrade.

## Customer Case | Payback

Customer  
Project 2012

Oracle 11.1.0.7 software must **not** be installed on Exadata X2-2

- Upgrading source Exadata to 11.2.0.3 not an option

### Constraints

Preparation

Database **14TB**  
Downtime: **less than 8hrs**

Upgrade

Success?

Network "bottleneck"

Remarks

- Remedy: Special IB cabled connection from V1 to X2-2

# Customer Case | Payback

Customer

Project 2012

Constraints

**Preparation**

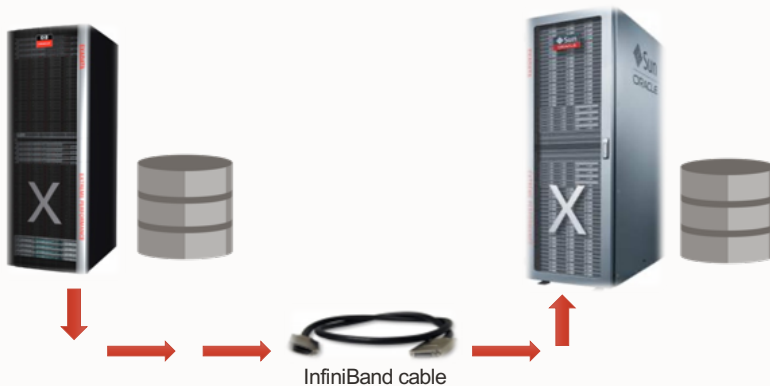
Upgrade

Success?

Remarks

Restoring **14TB** with RMAN

- DUPLICATE FOR STANDBY FROM ACTIVE DATABASE



# Customer Case | Payback

Customer

Project 2012

Constraints

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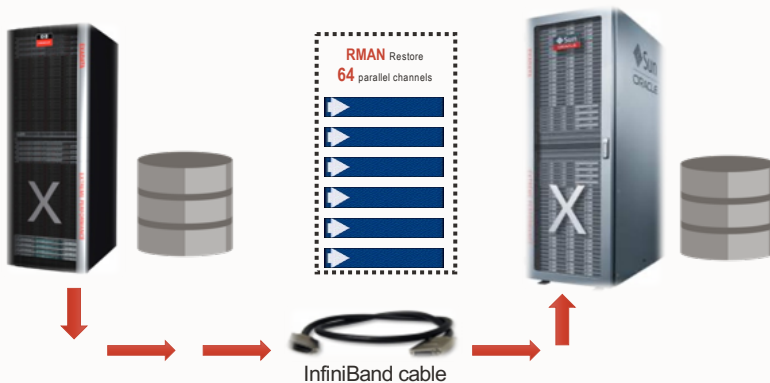
Upgrade

Success?

Remarks

Live upgrade/migration

- RMAN Restore and Recovery: **<3 hours**
- 64 parallel RMAN channels allocated: >4TB/hour





## Customer Case | Payback

Customer

Project 2012

Constraints

Preparation

**Upgrade**

Success?

Remarks

Database upgrade 11.1.0.7 ⇒ 11.2.0.3

- Used the **new PARALLEL UPGRADE** tool `catctl.pl` as **Beta customer**
  - Total database upgrade time including recompilation: 20 mins



## Customer Case | Payback

Customer

Project 2012

Constraints

Preparation

Upgrade

**Success?**

Remarks

Live? And alive?

- Yes! Go-live on 3-JUL-2012
  - Almost three weeks earlier than proposed
- Total migration and upgrade time officially: ~4 hours
  - < 3 hours: Restore for Standby and recovery
  - < 20 mins: Database upgrade to Oracle 11.2.0.3
  - ~ 40 mins: Extra tasks (crsctl etc.)

## Customer Case | Payback

Customer  
Project 2012

A few plans did change – but we were prepared 😊

- AWR and SQL Plan Management

Constraints

**Physical standby as migration vehicle was the key technique**

Preparation

- Allows several test runs
- Copy time does not account for downtime

Upgrade

Success?

Remarks

2020?

## Customer Case | **Payback**

Customer

Project 2012

Constraints

Preparation

Upgrade

Success?

Remarks

Today, Payback has many production databases on Oracle 19.8.0

**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

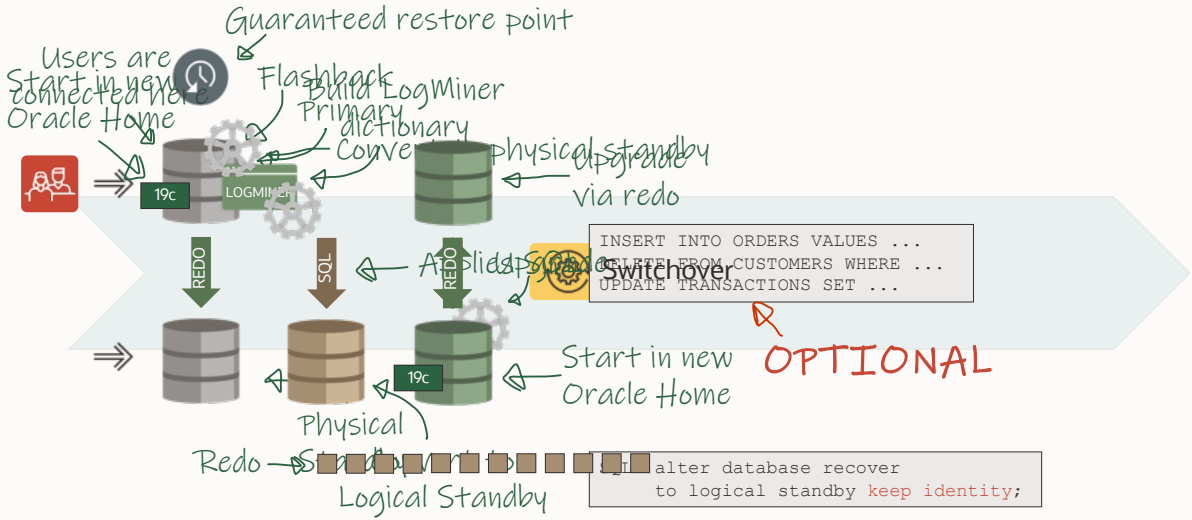
SQL apply

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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# 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;
```

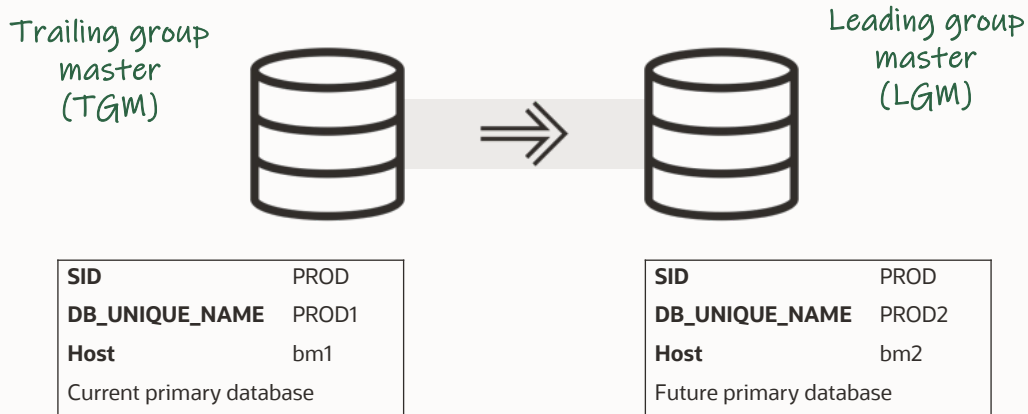
## Rolling Upgrade | **DBMS\_ROLLING**

```
...
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



Upgrade  
Logical Standby

|                       |       |
|-----------------------|-------|
| <b>SID</b>            | PROD  |
| <b>DB_UNIQUE_NAME</b> | PROD1 |
| <b>Host</b>           | bm1   |

|                       |       |
|-----------------------|-------|
| <b>SID</b>            | PROD  |
| <b>DB_UNIQUE_NAME</b> | PROD2 |
| <b>Host</b>           | bm2   |

## Rolling Upgrade | Demo

Standby  
database



Switch-over

New primary  
database

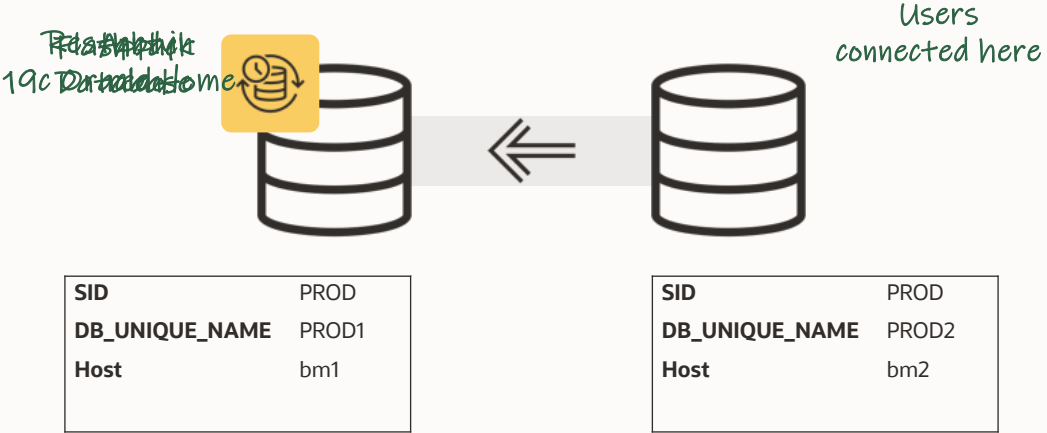


|                       |       |
|-----------------------|-------|
| <b>SID</b>            | PROD  |
| <b>DB_UNIQUE_NAME</b> | PROD1 |
| <b>Host</b>           | bm1   |

|                       |       |
|-----------------------|-------|
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| <b>DB_UNIQUE_NAME</b> | PROD2 |
| <b>Host</b>           | bm2   |



# Rolling Upgrade | Demo



## Rolling Upgrade | Demo



[Watch on YouTube](#)

## Rolling Upgrade | Backups



After converting to logical standby database,  
take a level 0 backup

## Rolling Upgrade | Database Readiness

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 Switchover/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 SQL 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

***“Consolidating 4 Databases including Steel factory systems onto Exadata providing High performance and reliability, Enabling making use of High Quality of infrastructure.”***

## Consolidation of



## Minimize planned

5 minutes



## High performance



## Business Objectives

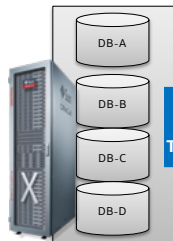
- High availability
- DB Infra consolidation

## Solution

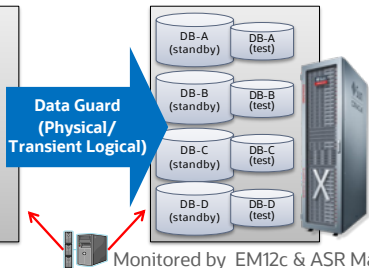
- Adopting Exadata providing high performance and high availability
- Rolling upgrade using Data Guard minimizes planned downtime

- 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

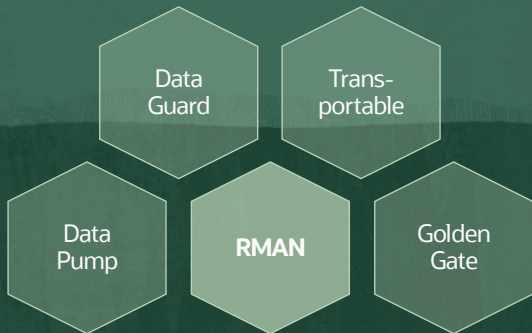
## X3-2 Eighth (production)



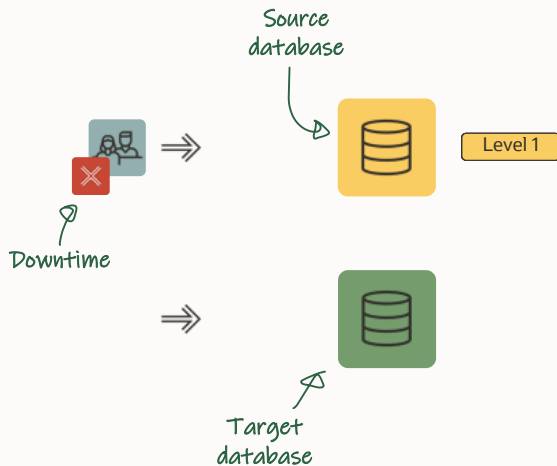
## X3-2 Eighth (Standby /Dev/ Test)



# Different **MIGRATION** techniques



# Incremental | Concept



```
RMAN> BACKUP INCREMENTAL
LEVEL 1 ...
```

```
RMAN> RECOVER DATABASE ...
```



## 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





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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



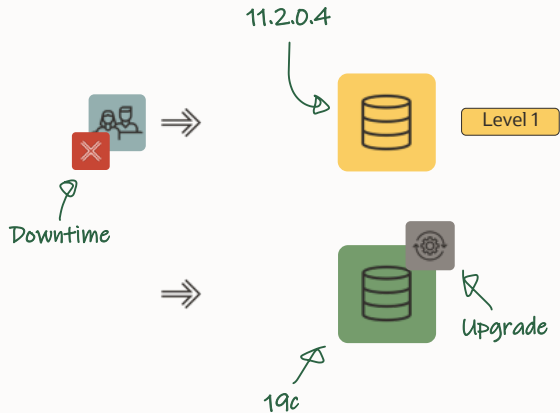
What about upgrade?



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



```
RMAN> BACKUP INCREMENTAL
LEVEL 1 ...
```

```
RMAN> RECOVER DATABASE ...
```

```
SQL> ALTER DATABASE OPEN RESETLOGS 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 simply re-use any backups that  
are being taken already

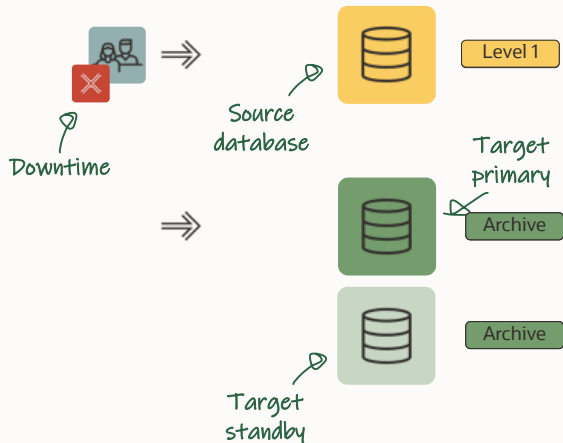


Your target database must  
be protected by Data Guard?



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 ...
```



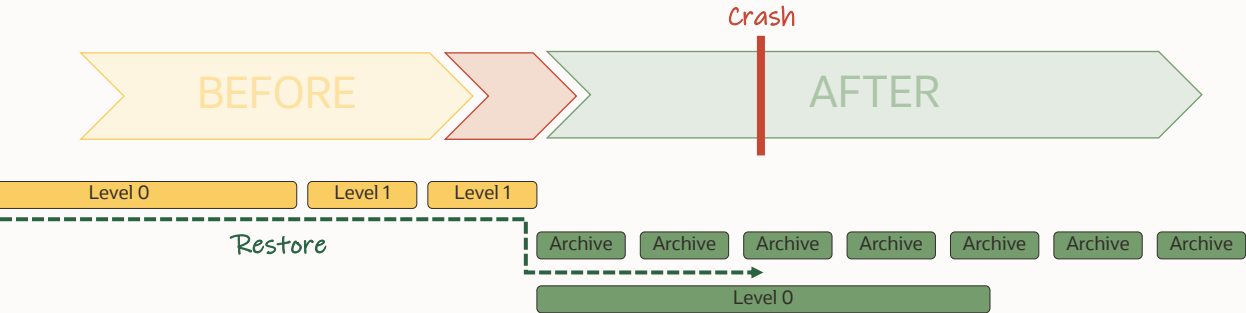
Your target database must  
have a valid backup before go-live?



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



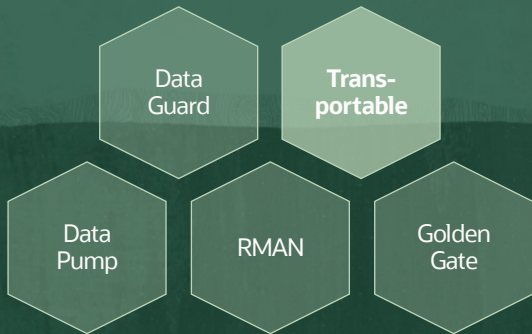


How about your fallback plan?

## Incremental | **Fallback**

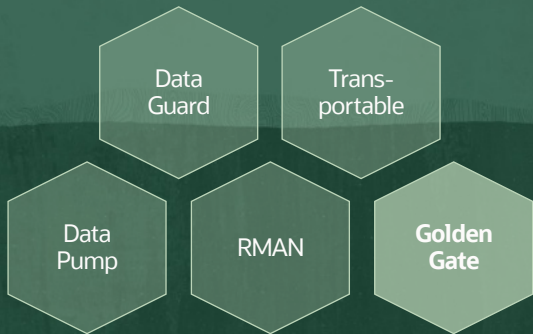
- To roll back (before go live):  
**Source environment is preserved**
- To fall back (after go live):  
**Redo process in reverse order**
- Unless database was upgraded:  
**Downgrade**
- Unless database was converted:  
**Data Pump and GoldenGate**

# Different **MIGRATION** techniques



See separate decks for M5 and XTTS v4 Perl scripts

# Different **MIGRATION** techniques



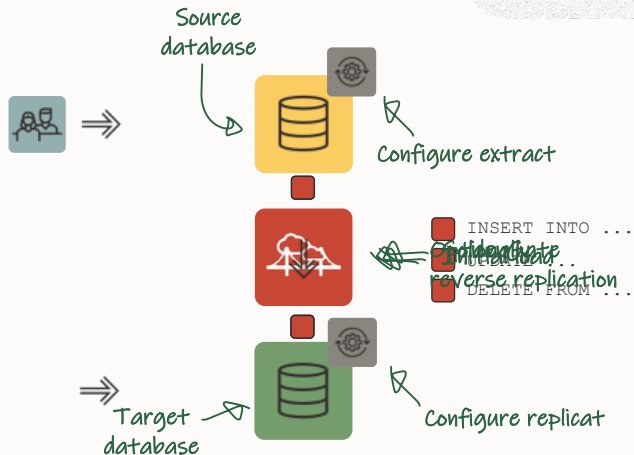
## GoldenGate | Overview



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 |
|--------------------|-------------------|
| -----              | -----             |
| <b>TCUSTMER</b>    | <b>829723224</b>  |
| <b>TCUSTORD</b>    | <b>829723223</b>  |

```
2017-07-17 15:02:51 INFO OGG-10155
Instantiation CSN filtering is enabled
on table APPS.TCUSTMER at CSN
829,723,224.
```

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Replicat             less than 5 ms

Bandwidth:

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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



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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 ...

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```

| OWNER | OBJECT_NAME | SUPPORT_MODE |
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| CO    | CUSTOMERS   | ID KEY       |
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| 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 |

## GoldenGate | Database Readiness



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_QUEUE_TABLE_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

Oracle GoldenGate Integrated Extract/Replicat Health Check Database - SALES55/803171342190 DANIEL ORACLE@CN.COM Instance - CDB1

OVERVIEW DATABASE TOOLS REDO/MAP

MENU OVERVIEW Expanded All Collapse All

General Findings section shows the results of sanity checks. Questionable results are highlighted. The details are visible in the later sections.

### General Findings

| CLUSTER/INST | TYPE          | NAME              | ALERT | REASON                                     | SLOT REF |
|--------------|---------------|-------------------|-------|--------------------------------------------|----------|
| DATABASE     | Configuration | rac               | INFO  | Multitenant Database (CDB-PDB) in use ROLL |          |
| DATABASE     | Configuration | streams_pool_size | GREEN | Streams: 0 threshold: 85                   | sg_state |

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The summary of Database, Extract and Replicat is showing some basic information of the Systems. It contains of a static and dynamic part. Dynamic information is gathered in a 10 sec interval by default and can be changed with the PL/SQL API `dbms_hc.set_parameter`.

### Database, Extract and Replicat Summary

| Database (Instance#) |                               | Comments                                          |
|----------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| CDB1 (1)             |                               |                                                   |
| Current SCN (Time)   | 5193580 (2021-05-07 08:36:03) | Current SCN and the time                          |
| Database Version     | 19.0.0.0.0                    | Database Software Version. Note that the COMPATIB |
| Database Status      | ACTIVE                        |                                                   |
| Shutdown Pending     | NO                            |                                                   |
| Active State         | NORMAL                        |                                                   |
| Blocked              | NO                            |                                                   |
| Archiver             | STARTED                       |                                                   |

## 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



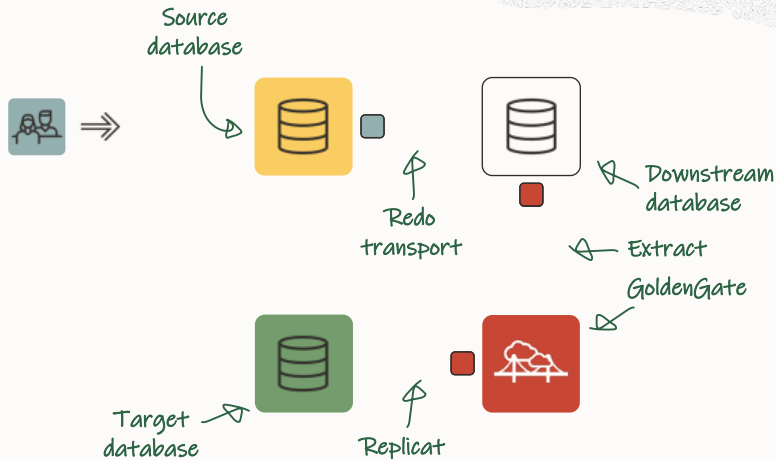


Can I offload the work  
from the source database?



Yes, you can extract from  
a *downstream* database

## GoldenGate | Downstream



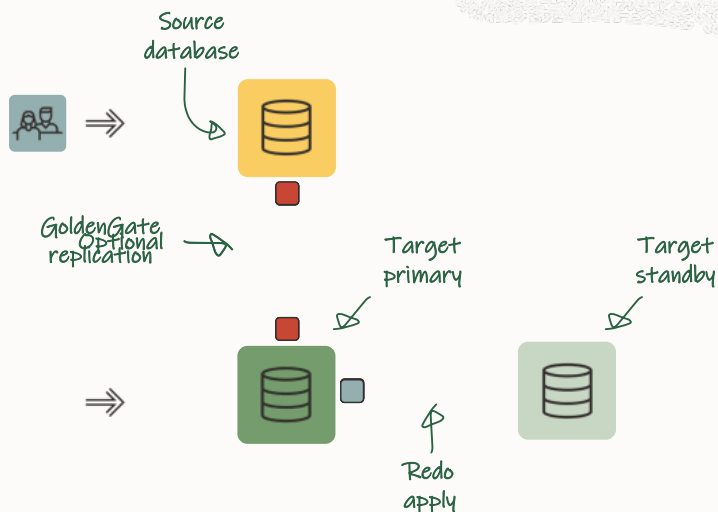


Your target database must  
be protected by Data Guard?



After the initial load on the target database,  
start building your Data Guard

# GoldenGate | Data Guard





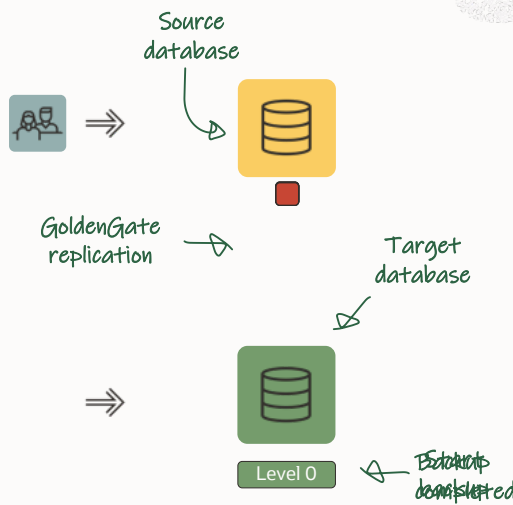
Your target database must  
have a valid backup before go-live?



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



Target database  
Schema A



Target database  
Schema B



Target database  
Schema C

## GoldenGate | Customization

You can customize the target schema even more:

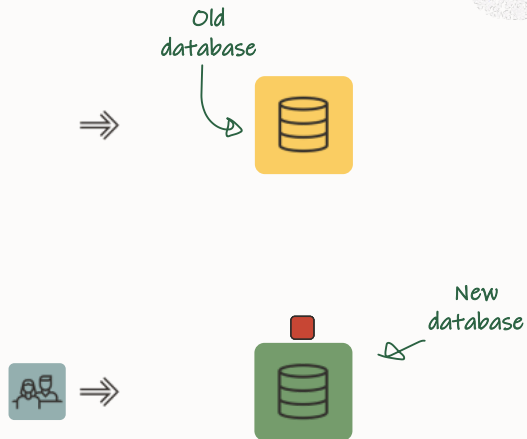
- Replicate from schema A in source to schema B in target (schema rename)
- Replicate data from non-partitioned to partitioned table
- Replicate from one character set to another
- Replicate from fragmented table to compacted table



How about your fallback plan?

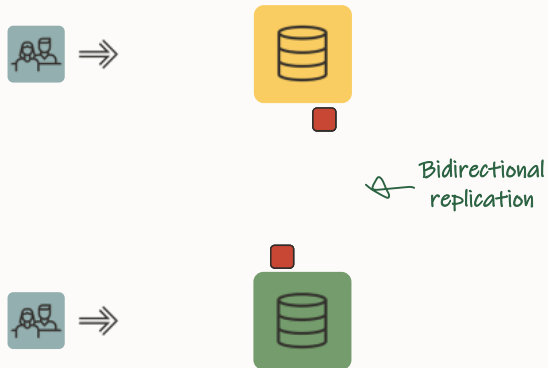


## GoldenGate | **Fallback**





# 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



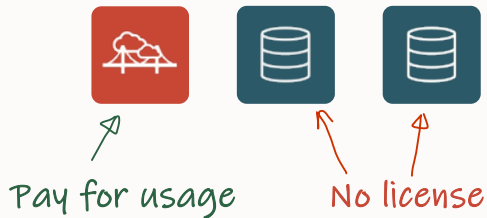
Pro Tip: Watch a short intro on [YouTube](#)

## OCI GoldenGate | Pricing

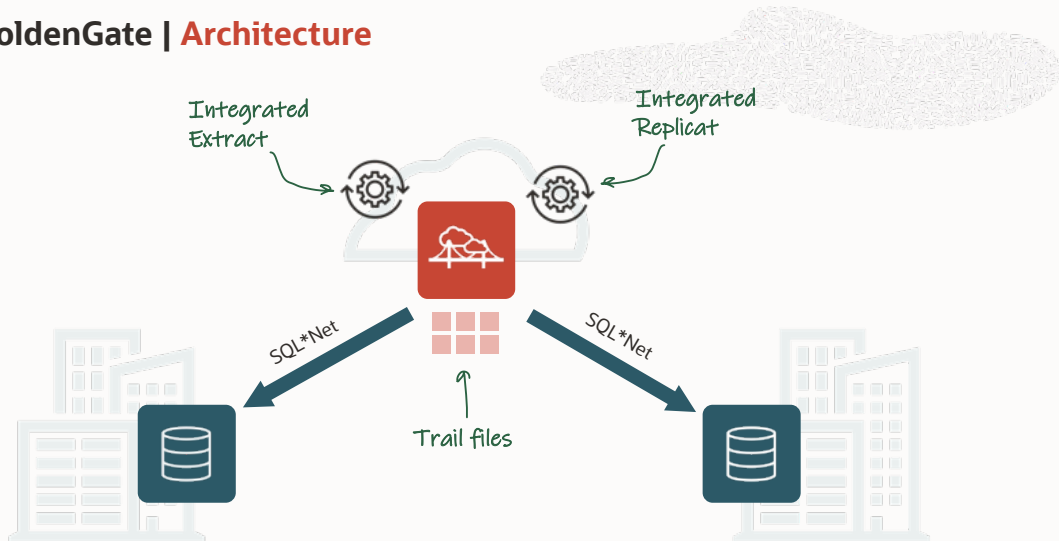
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OCI GoldenGate



# OCI GoldenGate | Architecture

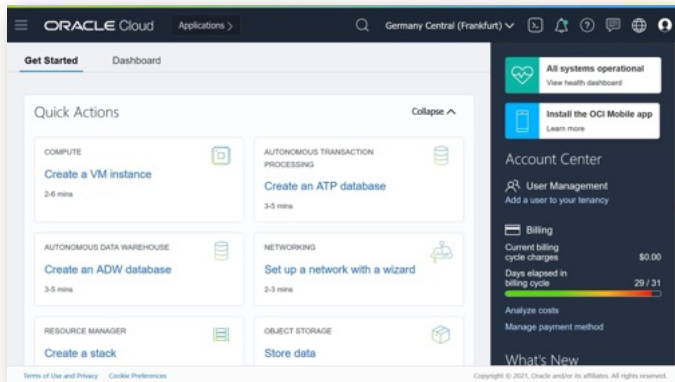


# OCI GoldenGate | Overview



|                                          |                                                | GoldenGate                            | GG OCI Marketplace | OCI GoldenGate  |
|------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Solution Management                      |                                                |                                       |                    |                 |
| Create and Manage GoldenGate Deployments |                                                | <----- customer responsibility -----> |                    |                 |
| Platform Services                        |                                                |                                       |                    |                 |
|                                          | Oracle Cloud Automations                       | Not Available                         | Not Available      | Oracle Managed  |
|                                          | Automatic Scaling (up to 3x)                   |                                       |                    |                 |
|                                          | OCI Monitoring / Service Telemetry             |                                       |                    |                 |
|                                          | Metering and Billing per second                | Customer Managed                      | Customer Managed   |                 |
|                                          | 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    | Customer Provided                     | Oracle Provided    | Oracle Provided |
|                                          | Install / Rapid Provisioning                   |                                       |                    |                 |
|                                          | Server Administration                          |                                       |                    |                 |
|                                          | Storage and Durability Guarantees              |                                       |                    |                 |
|                                          | Core Networking                                |                                       |                    |                 |

# OCI GoldenGate | Cloud Native



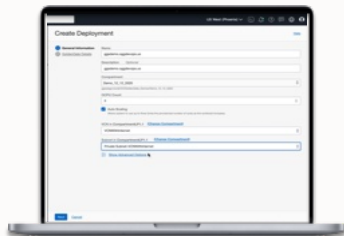
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# OCI GoldenGate | **Start small, grow to massive scale**



Get started for  
\$1.34 per OCPU per hour



GoldenGate moves  
petabytes of real-time  
data per day at Web scale

**84%**  
of Fortune 100  
use GoldenGate

**Try it for free:**

<https://www.oracle.com/cloud/free/>





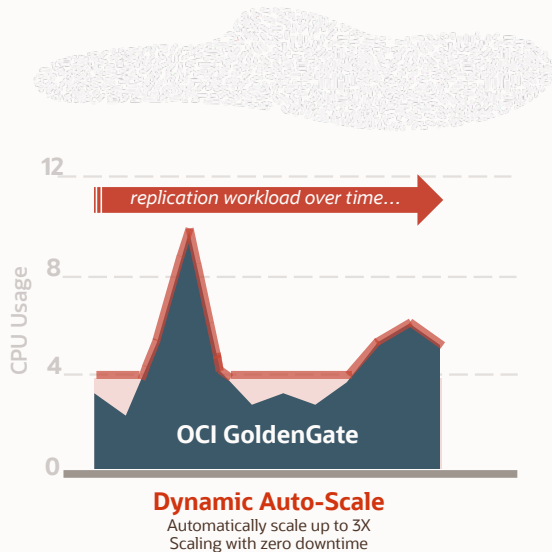
# OCI GoldenGate | **Auto scaling**

## 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

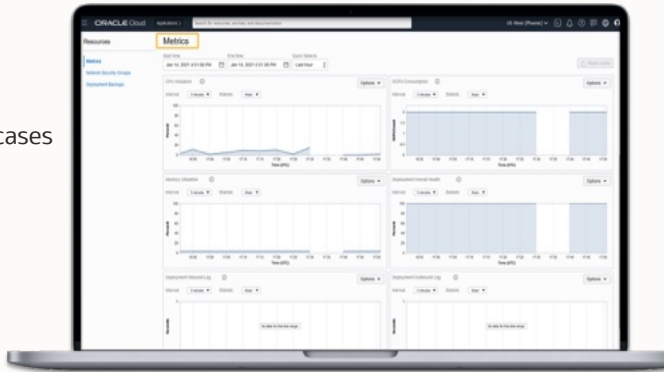
- Start with 1 OCPU and Auto-scale on

## 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 | **On-Prem**

OCI GoldenGate and  
**on-prem** databases?

## Probably not ...

Unless you have a lightning-fast connection  
and your database is physically close to OCI

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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

Project 2012

Constraints

Preparation

Migration

Success?

Remarks

Amadeus is a leading transaction processor for the global travel and tourism industry

#### 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

**Project 2012**

Constraints




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Success?

Remarks

Migrate Oracle 10g production databases to Oracle 11g  
Migrate to new HW and/or OS platform

| Source                                        |                                                                                    | Target                                    |
|-----------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| Oracle 10.2.0.3<br>RAC<br>HPUX v2             |  | Oracle 11.2.0.2/3<br>RAC<br>HPUX v3       |
|                                               |  | Oracle 11.2.0.2/3<br>RAC<br>RHE Linux     |
| Oracle 10.2.0.3<br>Single Instance<br>HPUX v2 |  | Oracle 11.2.0.2/3<br>RAC One<br>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 ⇒ to Linux (big ⇒ 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)<br><br>Possibility for physical re-organization <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Fresh data dictionary</li><li>- Tablespace and partitioning redesign</li></ul> |

## Customer Case | Amadeus

Customer

Project 2012

Constraints

**Preparation**

Migration

Success?

Remarks

In-depth proof of concept (supported by Oracle)

- Focusing on functional aspects
- Focusing on data volume

Standardized migration process model with timeline

Home-made scripts and procedures to support setup, monitoring, tuning and switch over

Training of in-house specialist supporting the DBAs

# Customer Case | Amadeus

Customer  
Project 2012

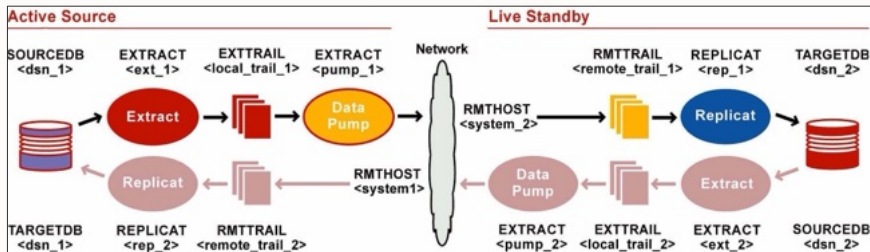
Constraints  
Preparation

**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




Constraints

Preparation

Migration

**Success?**

Remarks

| Source                                        |   | Target                                    | Migrated                                                                              |
|-----------------------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Oracle 10.2.0.3<br>RAC<br>HPUX v2             | ➡ | Oracle 11.2.0.2/3<br>RAC<br>HPUX v3       | 6  |
|                                               | ➡ | Oracle 11.2.0.2/3<br>RAC<br>RHE Linux     | 3  |
| Oracle 10.2.0.3<br>Single Instance<br>HPUX v2 | ➡ | Oracle 11.2.0.2/3<br>RAC One<br>RHE Linux | 6  |

- 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  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Preparation  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Migration    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Success?     | To be considered ... <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Instantiation of target database (incl. Plan Stability)</li><li>• Customized GG setup per database</li><li>• Handling of unsupported data types (e.g., ANYDATA)</li><li>• Impact of supplemental logging on source DB</li><li>• Effort of tuning GG for DBs with high DML rate (e.g., parallel replicate processes)</li></ul> |
| 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)

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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



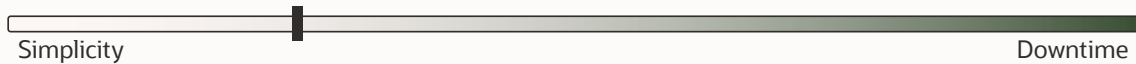
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# MIGRATION

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**

# Performance Stability

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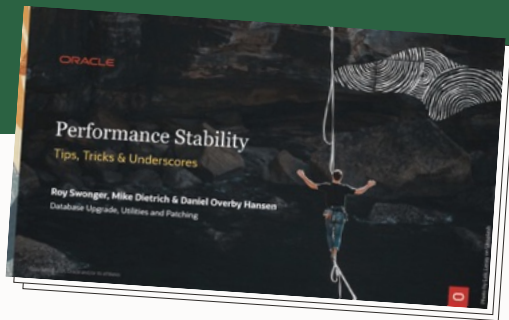




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## Want to Know More?

Webinar: Migration Strategies – Insights, Tips and Secrets

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# Chapter 7

## Cool Features





# 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
```

## Extended VARCHAR2 | The Fine Print

NEW IN  
12.1

### Potential pitfall

- `COMPATIBLE < 19.0.0`
  - SecureFile LOB requires at least 16 blocks in an extent
- `COMPATIBLE ≥ 19.0.0`
  - SecureFile LOB requires at least 32 blocks in an extent

### Example:

- `DB_BLOCK_SIZE: 16K`
- Tablespace uniform extent size: 128k
  - ➔ One extents 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';
```

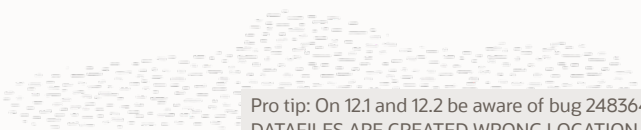
Pro tip: Works for SYSTEM, UNDO and SYSAUX as well.

# 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

## Online Data File Move | Overview

NEW IN  
12.1

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

[illegible]

[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);
```



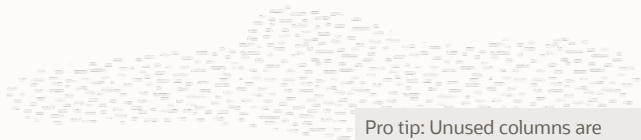
Pro tip: You can also move IOTs online, but not partitioned IOTs

# 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

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# 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](#)

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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

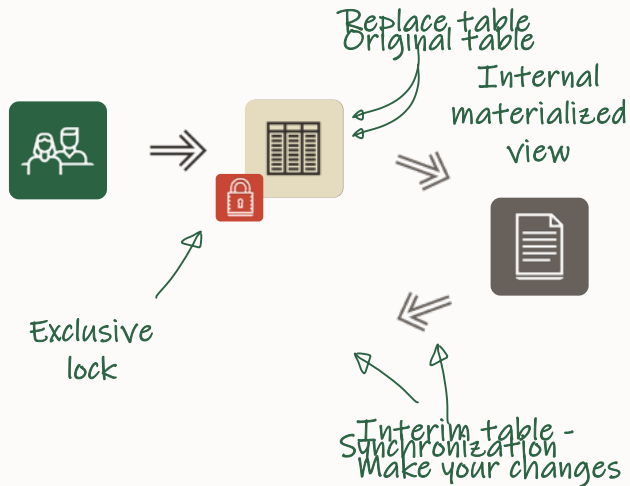
## DBMS\_REDEFINITION | Use Cases

### 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

The screenshot shows the Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control 13c interface. At the top, the title bar reads 'ORACLE Enterprise Manager Cloud Control 13c' and the user 'SYSMAN' is logged in. A progress bar at the top indicates the current step is 'Options' in a sequence of 'Type', 'Objects', 'Options', 'Impact Report', 'Schedule', and 'Review'. The main heading is 'Reorganize Objects: Options'. Below this, it specifies 'Pluggable Database: cdb1\_PDB1' and 'Schema Objects: 1'. The user is 'Logged In As: DBA\_DEBRA'. Navigation buttons include 'Cancel', 'Back', 'Step 3 of 6', and 'Next'. The 'Method' section explains that some objects can be reorganized online and asks if speed or availability is more important. It offers three options: 'Speed (offline)', 'Availability (online)' (selected), and 'Use ROWID method'. The 'Scratch Tablespace' section explains its purpose and offers 'Use current tablespace' (selected) or 'Use scratch tablespace' with a search icon. A 'Hide Advanced Options' link is present. The 'Object Parameters' section includes checkboxes for 'Use parallel execution when possible', 'Rebuild indexes without logging for faster reorganization', and 'Update any existing cost-based optimizer statistics' (checked). It also shows 'Parallel Degree' set to 'Default' and a note about computing statistics.

ORACLE Enterprise Manager Cloud Control 13c

SYSMAN

Type Objects **Options** Impact Report Schedule Review

**Reorganize Objects: Options**

Pluggable Database: cdb1\_PDB1 Schema Objects: 1

Logged In As: DBA\_DEBRA

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



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

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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/database/19/ladbi/configuring-read-only-oracle-homes.html#GUID-906DA159-AC83-4ACC-A8A6-5B4A39EB72E1>

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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



The screenshot shows a terminal window with a menu bar (File, Edit, View, Search, Terminal, Tabs, Help) and a title bar (oracle@hol:/u01/app/oracle/product). The terminal content shows a prompt [C082] oracle@hol:/u01/app/oracle/product followed by a new line starting with a shell prompt \$.

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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
├─ lkROOH19
├─ 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)
)
;
```

# Long Identifiers | Pitfalls

NEW IN  
12.2

## 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

## Expression Based Parameters | Overview

NEW IN  
21

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;
```



## Expression Based Parameters | Overview

NEW IN  
21

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

## Expression Based Parameters | Overview

NEW IN  
21

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

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# Data Guard

# Data Guard | Overview

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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

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12.2

Instead of typing password in cleartext:

```
SQL> administer key management ... keystore identified by "S3cr3tP@@sw0rd";
SQL> --or
SQL> create pluggable database ... keystore identified by "S3cr3tP@@sw0rd";
```

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

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12.2

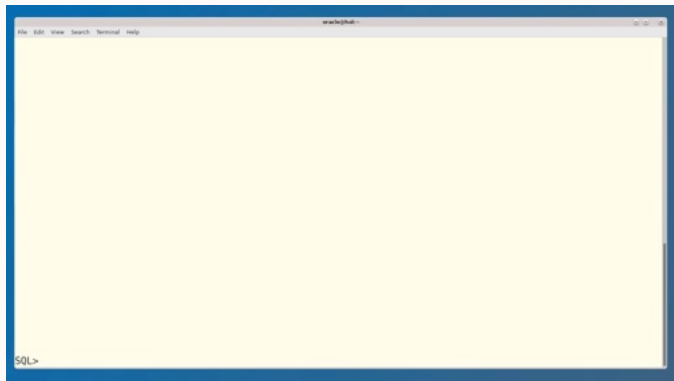
A much more secure solution:

- 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 | Overview

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12.2

## Online encryption of **existing** database tablespace files

- `alter tablespace <tbs> encryption online encrypt;`
- Storage overhead: 2x largest file of tbs

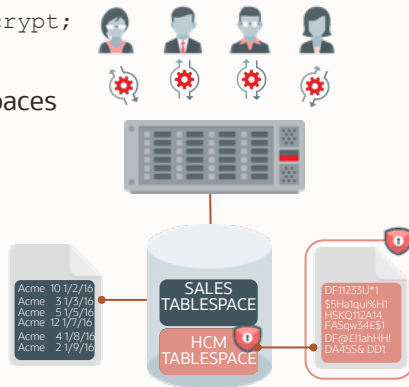
## Full encryption of SYSTEM, SYSAUX, and UNDO tablespaces

- Not recommended

## Offline tablespace encryption

- No storage overhead

## RMAN decrypted restore with 18c



# Online Encryption | Step By Step

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12.2

## 1. Wallet Root Preparation

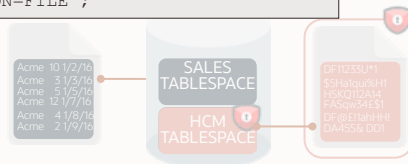
```
$ mkdir -p ${ORACLE_BASE}/admin/${ORACLE_SID}/wallet/tde
```

```
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

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12.2

## 2. Create Password Protected Keystore

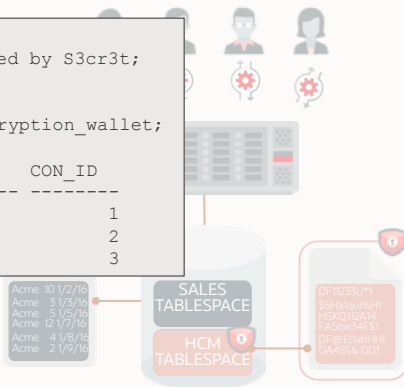
```
administer key management create keystore
'${ORACLE_BASE}/admin/${ORACLE_SID}/wallet/tde' identified by S3cr3t;

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

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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      |

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## 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: 10/2/16  
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\*1  
\$G!u!qu?H!1  
H\$KQ112A14  
FASqw34E\$1  
DF@E!antH!!  
DA45\$& DD1



# Online Encryption | Step By Step

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## 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\*1  
\$5H4tqu?H11  
H5KQ112A14  
FASqw34E51  
DF@E!antH11  
DA455& DD1

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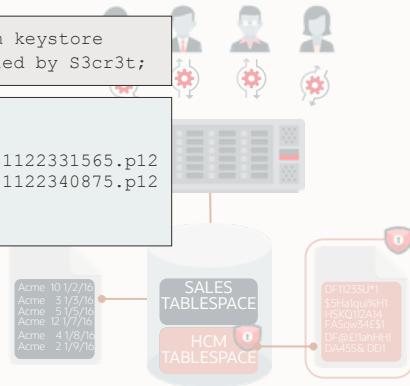
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## 5. Autologin Keystore

```
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
```



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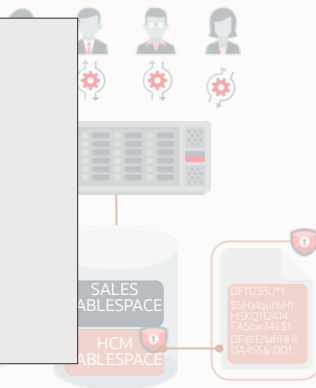
## 6. Encrypt Tablespaces Online

```
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

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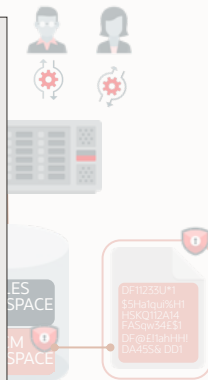
## 7. Encrypt New Tablespaces

```
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 |



## 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_gbg5n71p_.bkp
channel ORA_DISK_1: piece
handle=/u02/fast_recovery_area/DB12/backupset/2021_01_01/o1_mf_nnnd0_TAG20210101T150000_gbg5n71p_.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
```

DF11233U\*1  
\$Sltuqz9t1t  
HSKQ112A14  
FASqw34E51  
DF@E1ant111  
DA455& DD1

## 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_fz01zl49_.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

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- 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

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- Which users are using the old password?

```
SQL> select authentication_type
 from unified_audit_trail
 where action_name='LOGON' and dbusername='APP_USER';
```

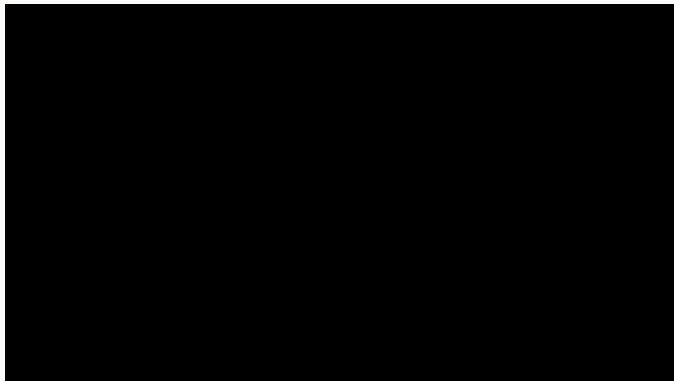
- The authentication\_type tells which password is used:

```
(TYPE=(DATABASE));(CLIENT_ADDRESS=((PROTOCOL=tcp)(HOST=10.0.1.225)(PORT=24974)));
(LOGON_INFO=((VERIFIER=12C-NEW)(CLIENT_CAPABILITIES=O5L_NP,O7L_MR,O8L_LI)));

(TYPE=(DATABASE));(CLIENT_ADDRESS=((PROTOCOL=tcp)(HOST=10.0.1.225)(PORT=24983)));
(LOGON_INFO=((VERIFIER=12C-OLD)(CLIENT_CAPABILITIES=O5L_NP,O7L_MR,O8L_LI)));
```

# Gradual Password Rollover | Demo

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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 the Oracle Security Guide interface. The breadcrumb trail at the top reads: Database / Oracle / Oracle Database / Release 19. The main heading is "Security Guide". On the left, a sidebar contains a list of topics under the heading "5 Performing Privilege Analysis to Find Privilege Use". The topics are: "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", and "Tutorial: Analyzing Privilege Use by a User Who Has the DBA Role". Below these topics are links for "Privilege Analysis Policy and Report Data Dictionary Views". The main content area is titled "5 Performing Privilege Analysis to Find Privilege Use" and includes a subheading "What Is Privilege Analysis?" with a paragraph explaining that privilege analysis increases security by helping implement least privilege best practices. It also includes links to "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", and "Privilege Analysis Policy and Report Data Dictionary Views".

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## Security Guide

### 5 Performing Privilege Analysis to Find Privilege Use

Privilege analysis dynamically analyzes the privileges and roles that users use and do not use.

**What Is Privilege Analysis?**  
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 and Managing Privilege Analysis Policies**  
You can create and manage privilege analysis policies in either SQL\*Plus or in Enterprise Manager Cloud Control.

**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 |  |  | Requires the Database Vault option |
|--------------------|---|--|--|---|--|--|---|--|--|------------------------------------|

Oracle 12.2.0.1

|                    |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |  |
|--------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|--|
| Privilege Analysis | N | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y |  |
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Oracle 18c

|                    |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |  |
|--------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|--|
| Privilege Analysis | N | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y |  |
|--------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|--|

Oracle 19c

|                    |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |  |
|--------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|--|
| Privilege Analysis | N | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y |  |
|--------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|--|

# 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

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.ENABLE_CAPTURE
 ('tuning_privs');
END;
/
```

# Privilege Capture | Stop Capture

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.DISABLE_CAPTURE
 ('tuning_privs');
END;
/
```

# Privilege Capture | Populate Views

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.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',<br>'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

- 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.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

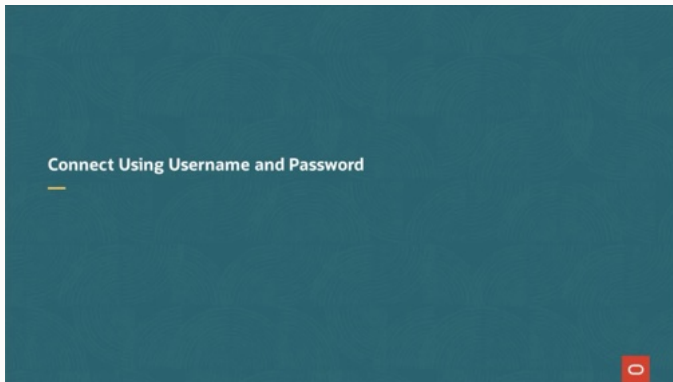


A much more secure solution:

- Supports separation of duties
- Avoid hardcoded passwords in scripts
- Avoid typing passwords in cleartext in terminal

Documentation: [Concept](#)

# Secure External Password Store | Demo



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# 1. Intro

## 2. Methods

## 3. Scenarios

### 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 12.2.0.8.

#### 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 its `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?

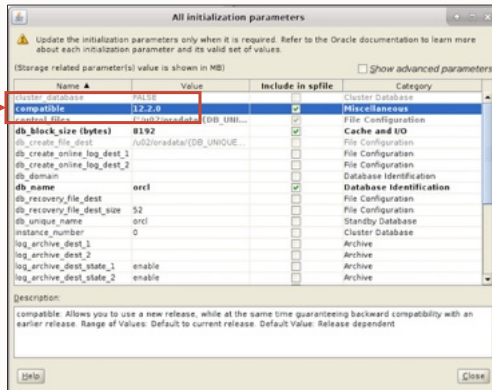
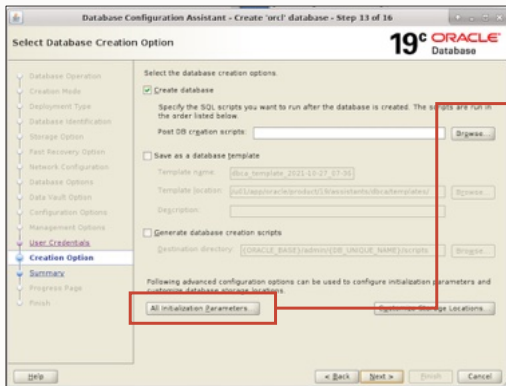




# Compatible | DBCA

COMPATIBLE choice is only available via **CUSTOM** database creation

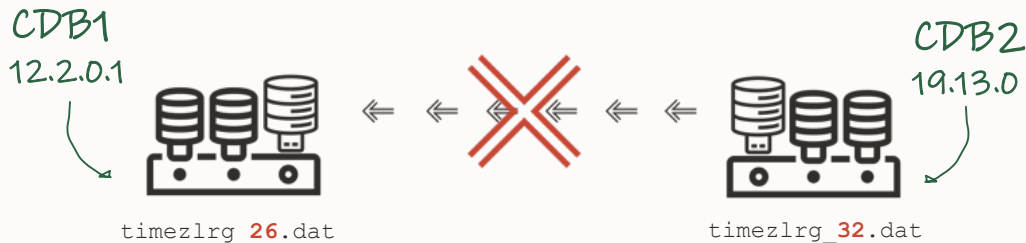
- General Purpose, OLTP and DWH templates create databases with default COMPATIBLE



## 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 | - | <a href="#">patch 25881255</a> | * | <a href="#">patch 25881271</a> |
| Version 31 | - | tzdata2017c | update | - | <a href="#">patch 27015449</a> | * | <a href="#">patch 27015468</a> |
| Version 32 | - | tzdata2018e | update | - | <a href="#">patch 28125601</a> | * | <a href="#">patch 28127287</a> |
| Version 33 | - | tzdata2018g | update | - | <a href="#">patch 28852325</a> | * | <a href="#">patch 28852334</a> |
| Version 34 | - | tzdata2019b | update | - | <a href="#">patch 29997937</a> | * | <a href="#">patch 29997959</a> |
| Version 35 | - | tzdata2020a | update | - | <a href="#">patch 31335037</a> | * | <a href="#">patch 31335142</a> |

CDB1  
12.2.0.1



~~timezlg\_26.dat~~

Patch: timezlg\_32.dat



CDB2  
19.13.0



timezlg\_32.dat

## Time Zone | Check

Check time zone file version upfront

```
SQL> select * from V$TIMEZONE_FILE;
```

| FILENAME        | VERSION | CON_ID |
|-----------------|---------|--------|
| timezlrq_26.dat | 26      | 0      |

## Time Zone | Default Version

|          |       |                 |
|----------|-------|-----------------|
| 11.2.0.4 | ----- | timezone_14.dat |
|          |       | ...             |
| 12.1.0.2 | ----- | timezone_18.dat |
|          |       | ...             |
| 12.2.0.1 | ----- | timezone_25.dat |
|          |       | timezone_26.dat |
|          |       | timezone_27.dat |
|          |       | timezone_28.dat |
|          |       | timezone_29.dat |
|          |       | timezone_30.dat |
| 18       | ----- | timezone_31.dat |
| 19       | ----- | timezone_32.dat |
|          |       | timezone_33.dat |
|          |       | timezone_34.dat |
| 21       | ----- | timezone_35.dat |
|          |       | timezone_36.dat |

```
$ 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?

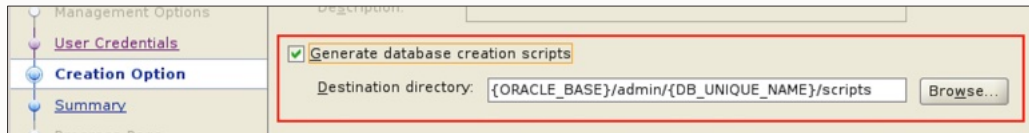


## Time Zone | Custom Setting

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

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## 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

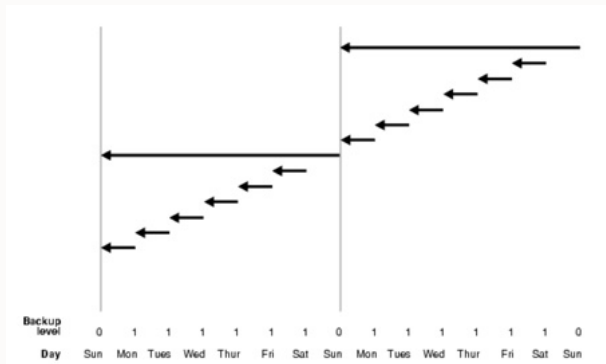
Pro tip: BCT is an Enterprise Edition feature, but requires Active Data Guard if enabled on standby database



## Backup | Level 0 / 1 Incremental

Differential:

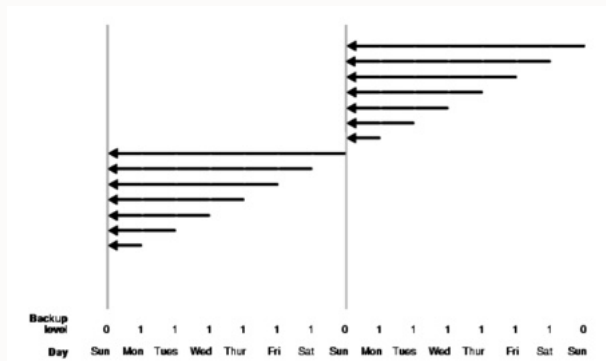
```
RMAN> BACKUP INCREMENTAL LEVEL 1 DATABASE;
```



## Backup | Level 0 / 1 Incremental

Cumulative:

```
RMAN> BACKUP INCREMENTAL LEVEL 1 CUMULATIVE DATABASE;
```



## Backup | Partial Offline

A database upgrade does not touch user data

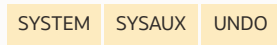
Your data files



Read-only



Partial offline backup (plus redo log and control files)



Start upgrade

Pro tip: Works for SE2 and databases in NOARCHIVELOG mode

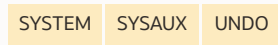
## Backup | Partial Offline

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:

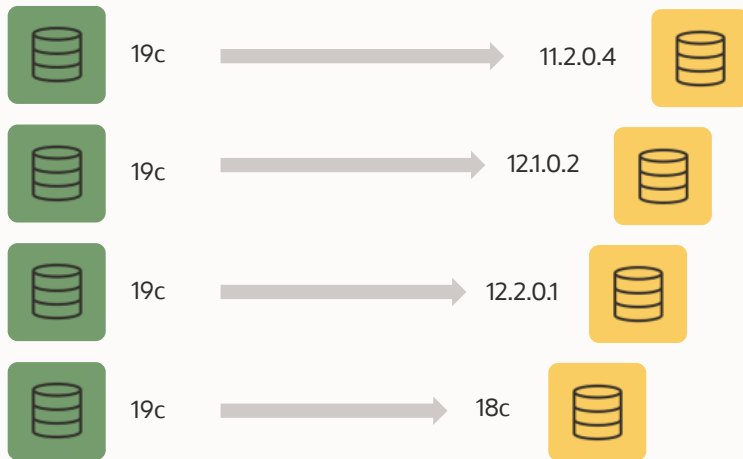
- New dictionary tables are not dropped, but truncated
- New indexes are not dropped
- Generally, dropping is avoided



Downgrade reverts only the data dictionary to a state compatible with a previous release

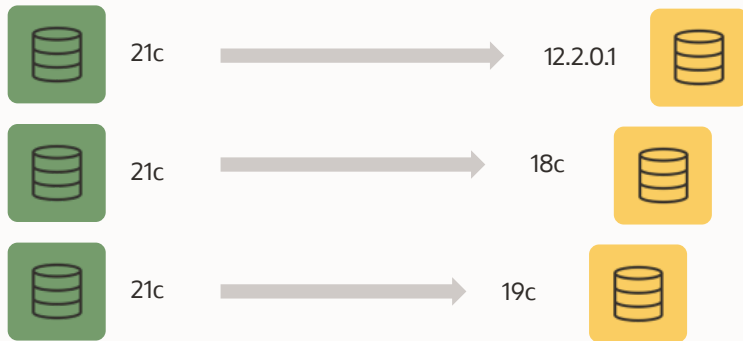
Pro tip: Keep your old Oracle Home available after the upgrade, *just in case*

## 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

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

## POST-UPGRADE ENVIRONMENT

```
SQL> startup downgrade
```

## DOWNGRADE

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



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

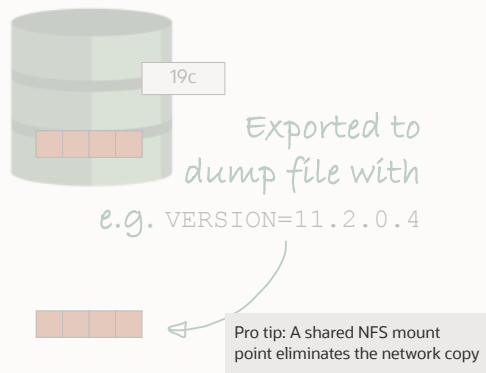
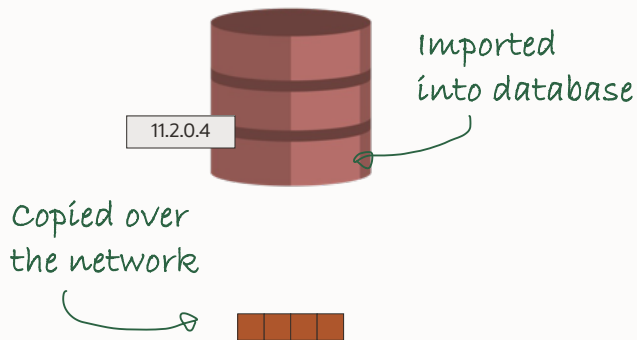
## DATA PUMP

```
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

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# GOLDENGATE

## GoldenGate | Overview

- Zero downtime fallback option
- Universal and flexible,  
but complex
- Use in combination with Data Pump

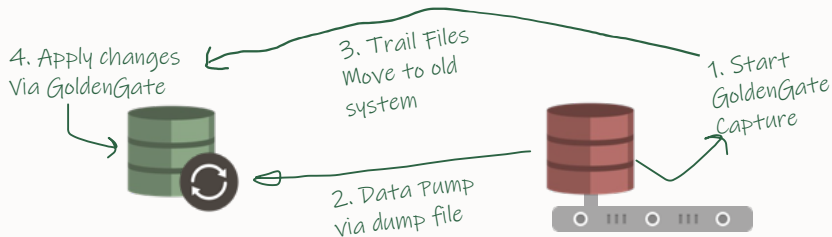
## GoldenGate | **Fallback**

Original database: 11.2.0.4 non-CDB

- Upgrade
- Plug-in
- Convert

Upgraded database: 19c PDB

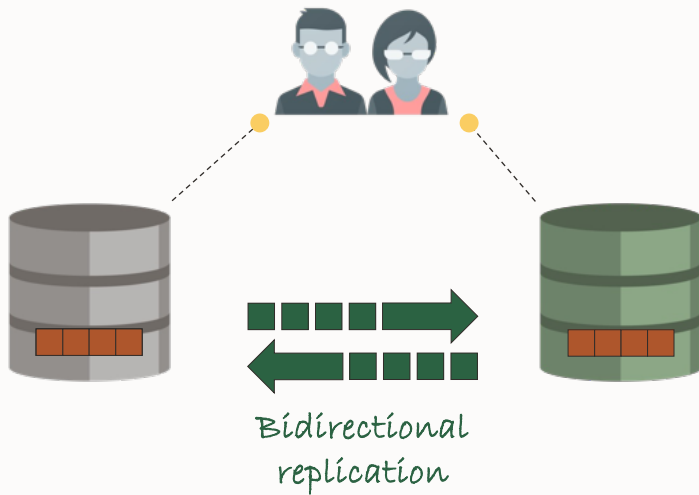
- Capture
- Export
- Apply



```
expdp ... version=11.2.0.4
```

Pro tip: If you keep your old database in place, you can skip the data pump step

## GoldenGate | Phased Migration



various methods to

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## 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.



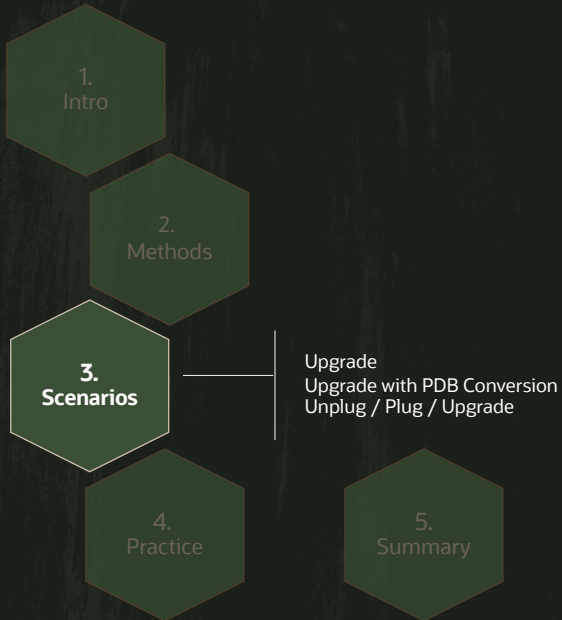
**Note:** When you downgrade Oracle Grid Infrastructure to an earlier release, for example from Oracle Grid Infrastructure 19c to Oracle Grid Infrastructure 18c, the later release RAC databases already registered with Oracle Grid Infrastructure will not start after the downgrade.

#### Related Topics

- [My Oracle Support Note 2180188.1](#)

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

[Documentation](#)



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## 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
```

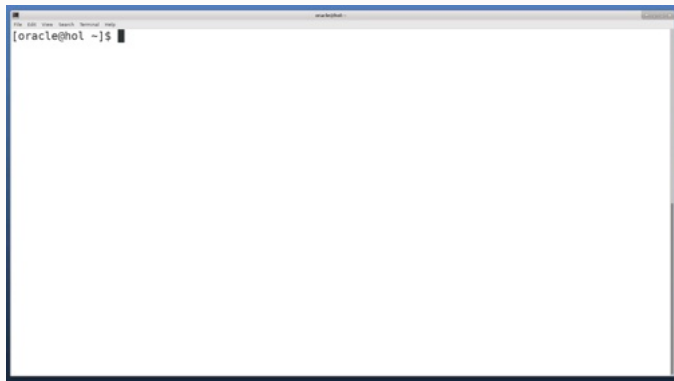
- Default behavior:
  - AutoUpgrade creates GRP except for
    - Standard Edition 2
    - restoration=no
  - GRP will be kept
  - GRP needs to be removed manually except for
    - drop\_grp\_after\_upgrade=yes will only remove it when upgrade completed successfully

## 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
```

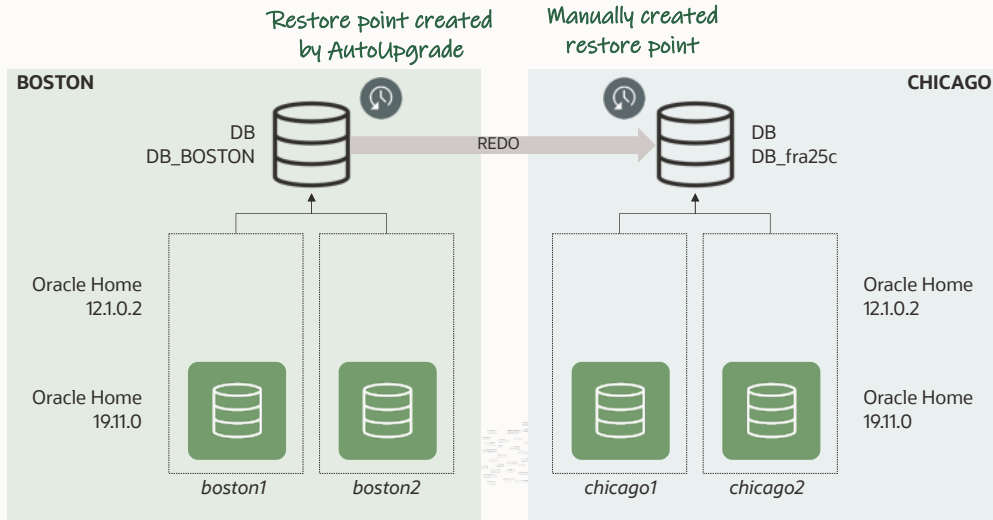
### Flash back the database

```
SQL> flashback database ... --Higher release Oracle Home
SQL> alter database open resetlogs; --Lower release Oracle Home
```

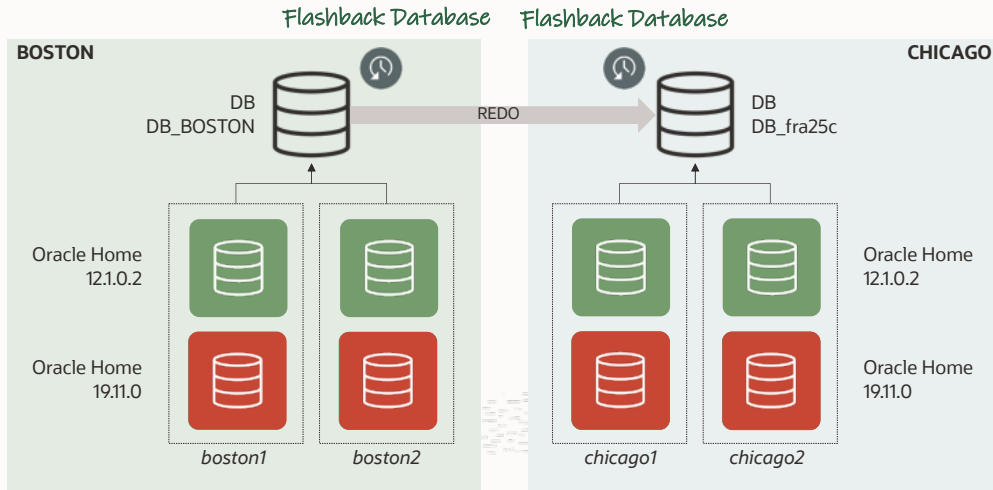
### Start database (all instances)

```
$ 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> @utltp

$ 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



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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

```
$./dbdowngrade
```

## 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
```

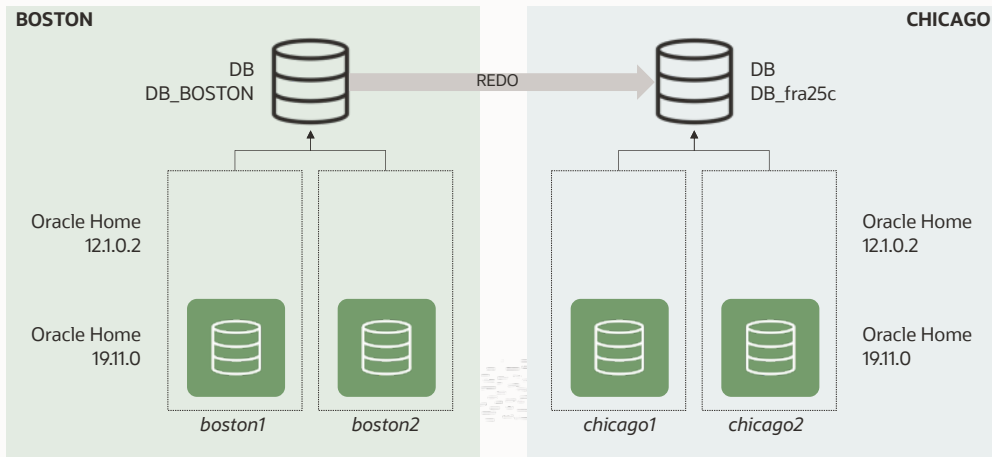
```
$ srvctl start database -d $ORACLE_UNQNAME
```



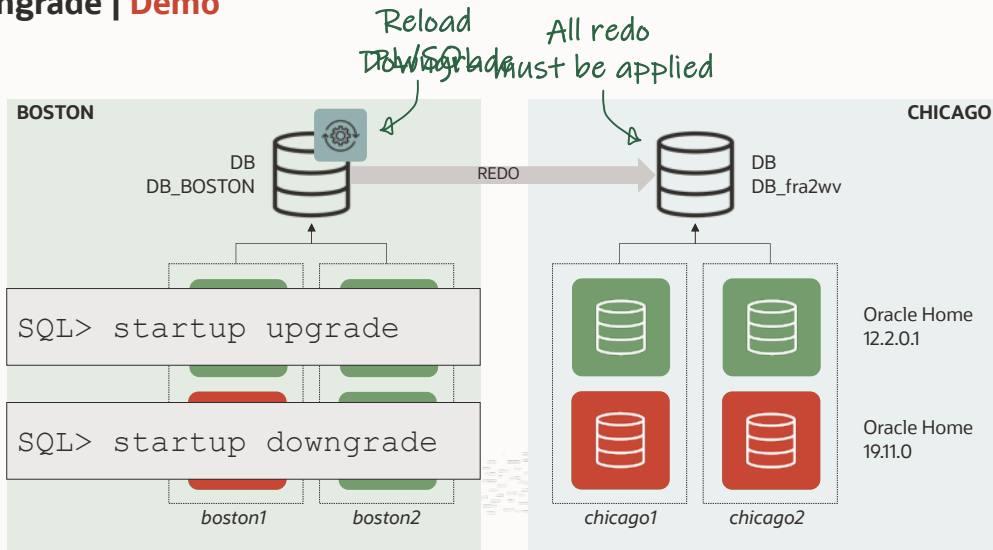
MOS note [2548962.1](#) contains detailed step-by-step instructions on downgrade



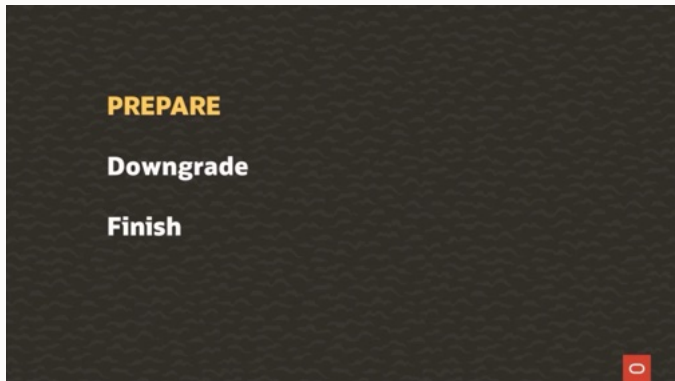
# Downgrade | Demo



## Downgrade | Demo



## Downgrade | Demo



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## 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

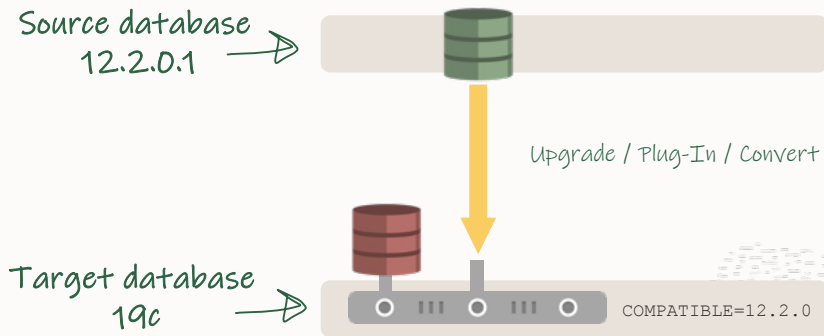
## Conversion

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?](#)

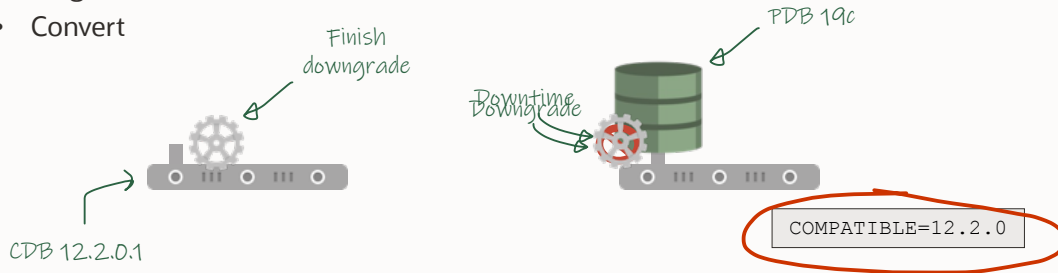
Pro tip: You can also plug in manually and upgrade PDB with `dbupgrade -c DB19`



## Fallback | Lower Release CDB

Source database: 12.2 CDB

- Upgrade
- Plug-in
- Convert

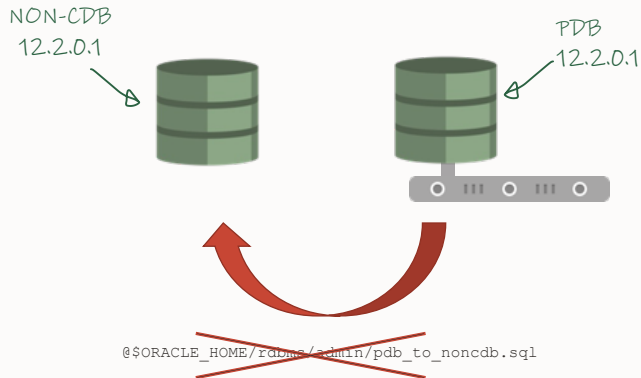


## Fallback | PDB Downgrade

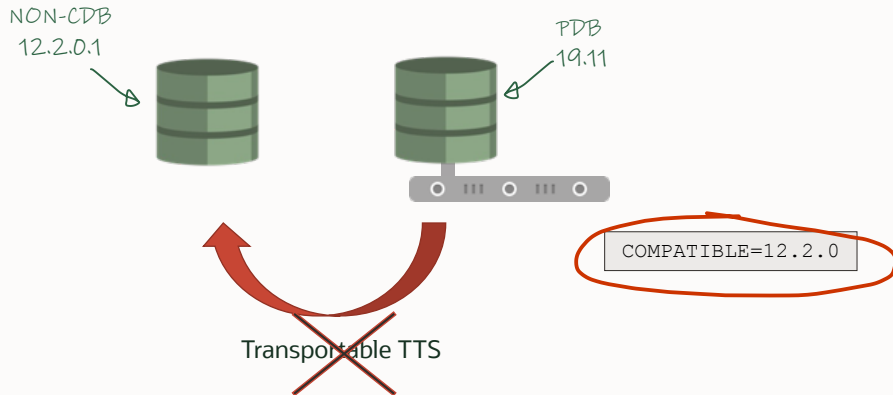
Downgrade works for CDB/PDB entirely as well as for single/multiple PDBs

- 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

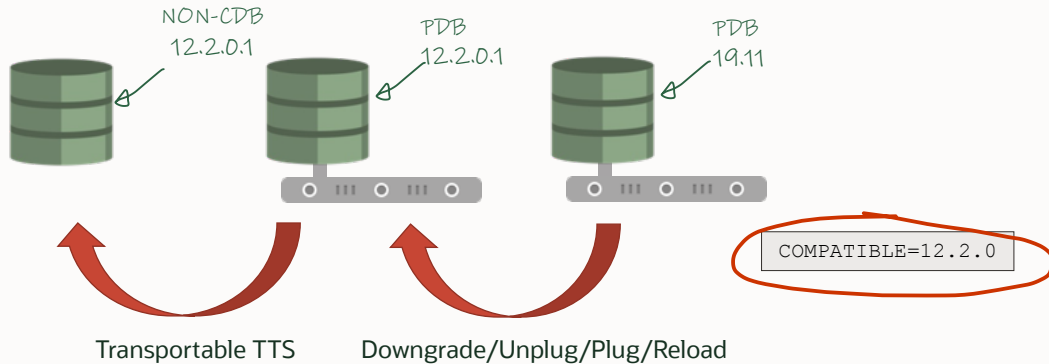
### 2. Only possible fallback options

- 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

non-CDB to non-CDB  
CDB to CDB

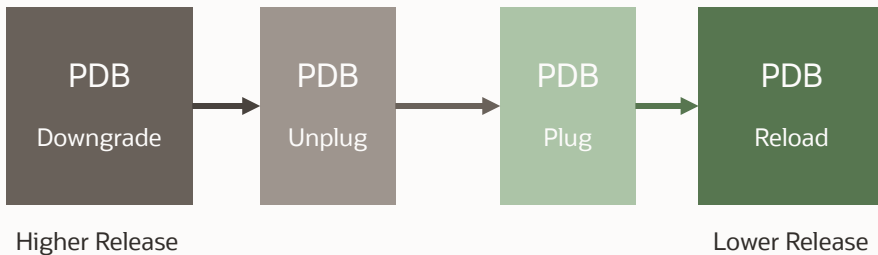
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PDB to PDB

## Downgrade-Unplug-Plug | Concept



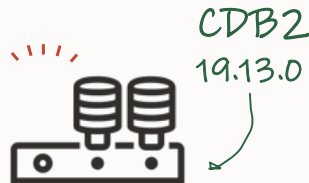
## Downgrade-Unplug-Plug | **Silent Compatible Change**

Beware of the silent `COMPATIBLE` change in Multitenant

CDB1  
12.2.0.1



`COMPATIBLE=12.2.0`

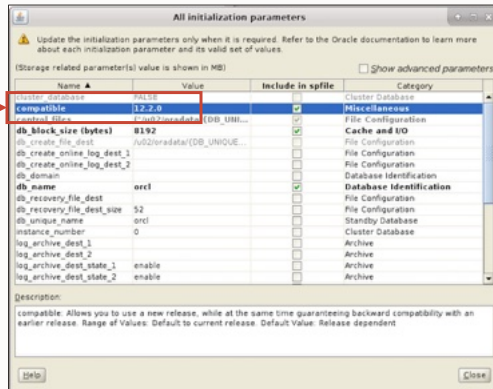
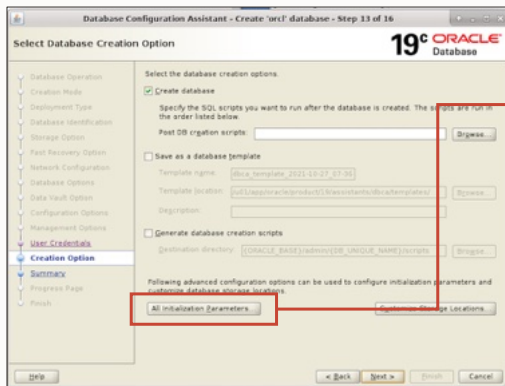


`COMPATIBLE=19.1.0`

# 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 RDBMS version:](#)

[I\) What timezones are known / I'm missing timezones in the Oracle Database / sCET, PST, NZ etc ?](#)

[J\) List of updated Timezones in RDBMS DST updates](#)

|            |   |             |        |   |                                |
|------------|---|-------------|--------|---|--------------------------------|
| Version 26 | - | tzdata2016d | update | - | <a href="#">patch 22873635</a> |
| Version 27 | - | tzdata2016f | update | - | <a href="#">patch 23614158</a> |
| Version 28 | - | tzdata2016g | update | - | <a href="#">patch 24701840</a> |
| Version 29 | - | tzdata2016j | update | - | <a href="#">patch 25173124</a> |
| Version 30 | - | tzdata2017b | update | - | <a href="#">patch 25881255</a> |
| Version 31 | - | tzdata2017c | update | - | <a href="#">patch 27015449</a> |
| Version 32 | - | tzdata2018e | update | - | <a href="#">patch 28125601</a> |
| Version 33 | - | tzdata2018g | update | - | <a href="#">patch 28852325</a> |
| Version 34 | - | tzdata2019b | update | - | <a href="#">patch 29997937</a> |
| Version 35 | - | tzdata2020a | update | - | <a href="#">patch 31335037</a> |
| version 36 | - | tzdata2020e | update | - | <a href="#">patch 32327201</a> |

## 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

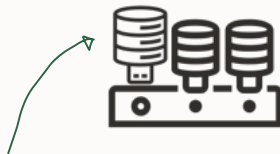


`COMPATIBLE=12.2.0`

## Downgrade-Unplug-Plug | PDB Downgrade

Downgrade PDB in higher release CDB

- Cleanup unified audit trail



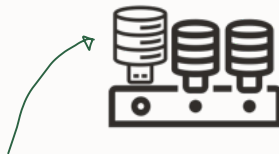
```
SELECT COUNT(*) FROM UNIFIED_AUDIT_TRAIL;
```

```
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

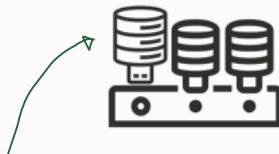


```
alter pluggable database PDB1 open downgrade;
```

## Downgrade-Unplug-Plug | **PDB Downgrade**

Downgrade the PDB

- Logs default: `$ORACLE_HOME/cfgtoollogs/downgrade`



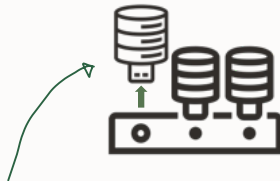
```
$> chmod +x $ORACLE_HOME/bin/dbdowngrade
```

```
$> dbdowngrade -c 'PDB1'
```

## Downgrade-Unplug-Plug | **PDB Unplug**

Unplug the PDB

- Shutdown
- Unplug



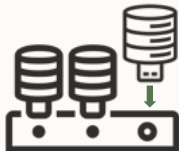
```
alter pluggable database PDB1 close;
```

```
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](#)  
[How to Downgrade a Single Pluggable Oracle Database \( PDB \) to previous release](#)



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|----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Upgrade to 19c<br>AutoUpgrade                      |  UPR  |                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Convert to PDB<br>AutoUpgrade                      |                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                           |  UPR     CDB2 |
| Migrate to 19c<br>Full transportable export/import |  FTEX |                                                                                          |  CDB2 / PDB2                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Unplug-plug upgrade<br>AutoUpgrade                 |                                                                                        |  PDB3  |  CDB2                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Upgrade to 19c<br>AutoUpgrade                      |                                                                                        |  DB12  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |



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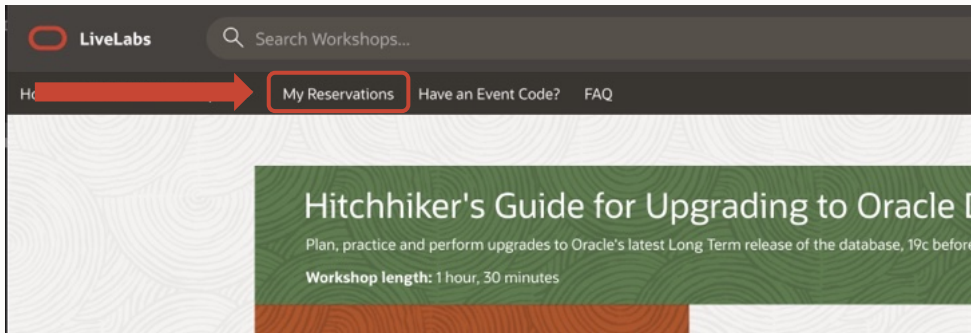
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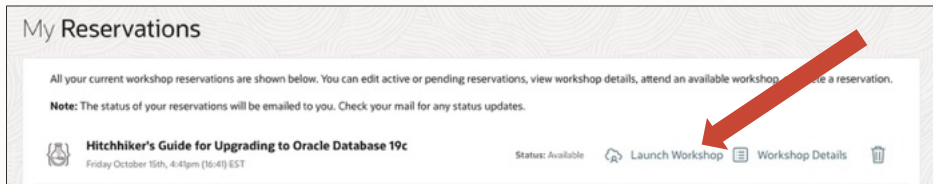
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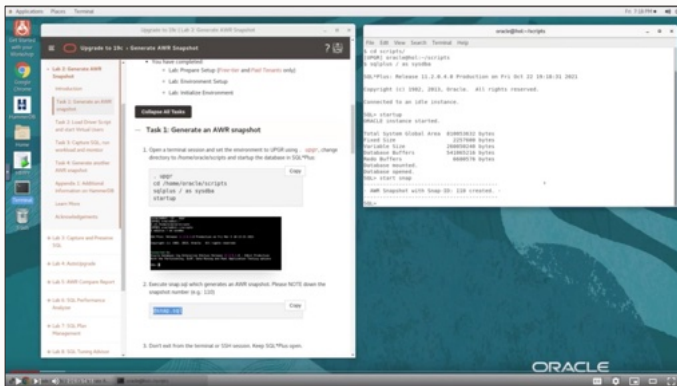
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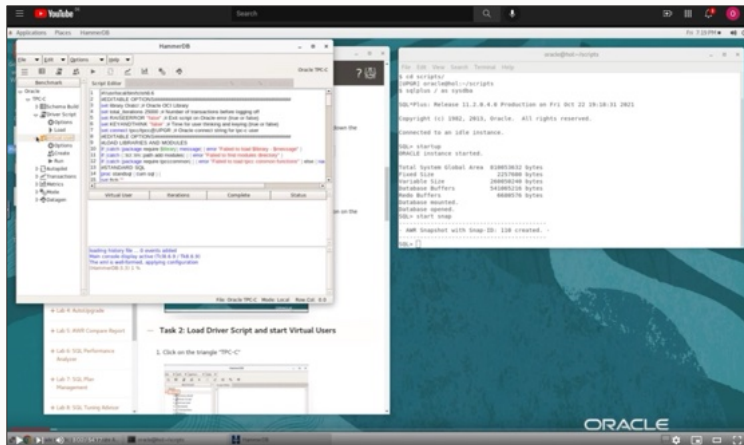
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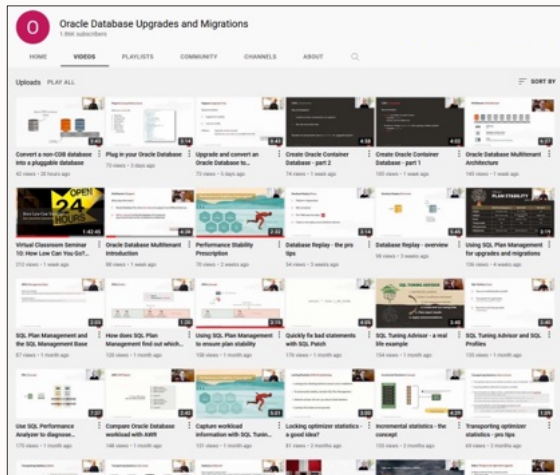


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