



Upgrade, Migration and Patching to Oracle AI Database 26ai Advanced Edition

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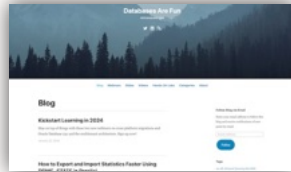


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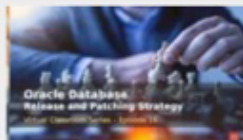
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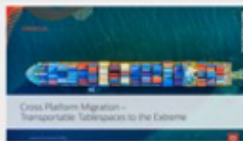
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[Multitenant PART 1](#)

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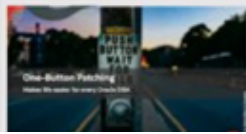
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Welcome
Release Strategy
Patching

11:15

AutoUpgrade
Multitenant

13:30

Data Pump
Autonomous

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Migrating
"The Beast"

11:00

Coffee break

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Lunch

15:00

Coffee break

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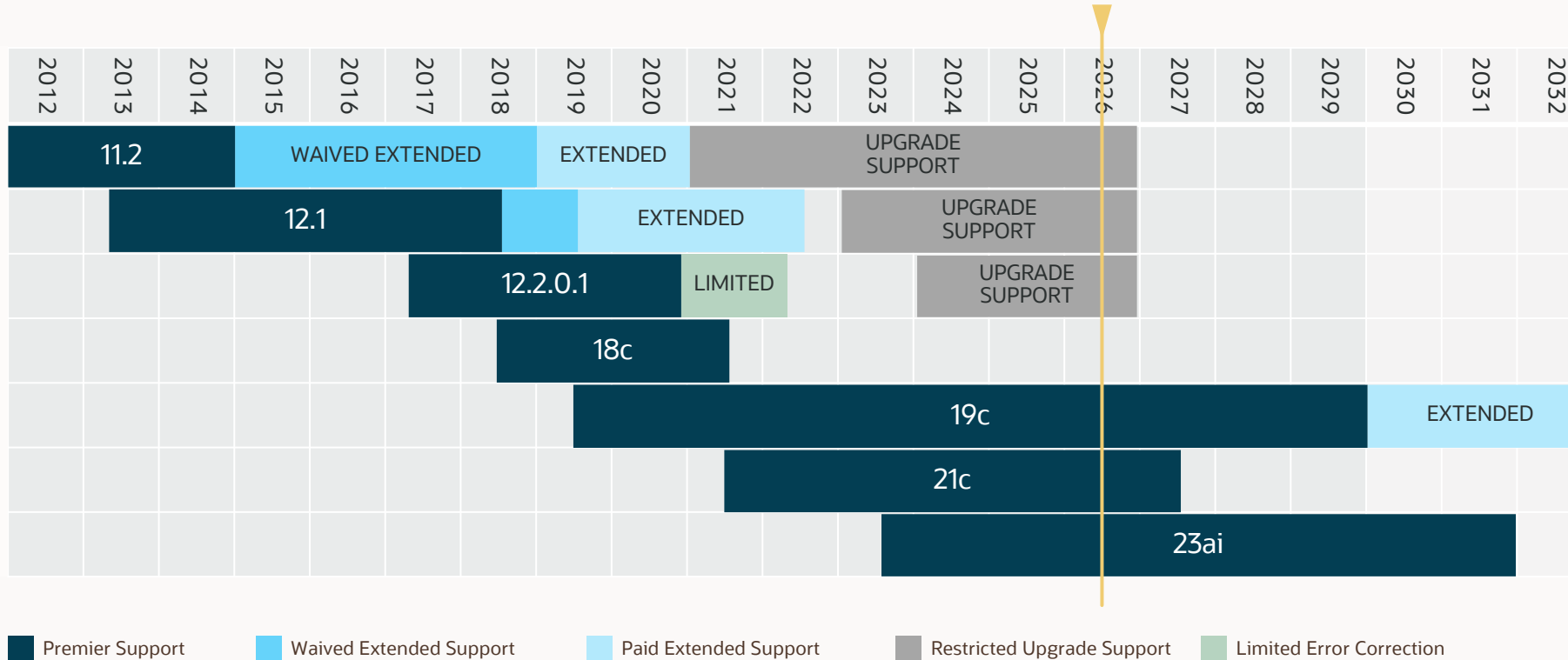
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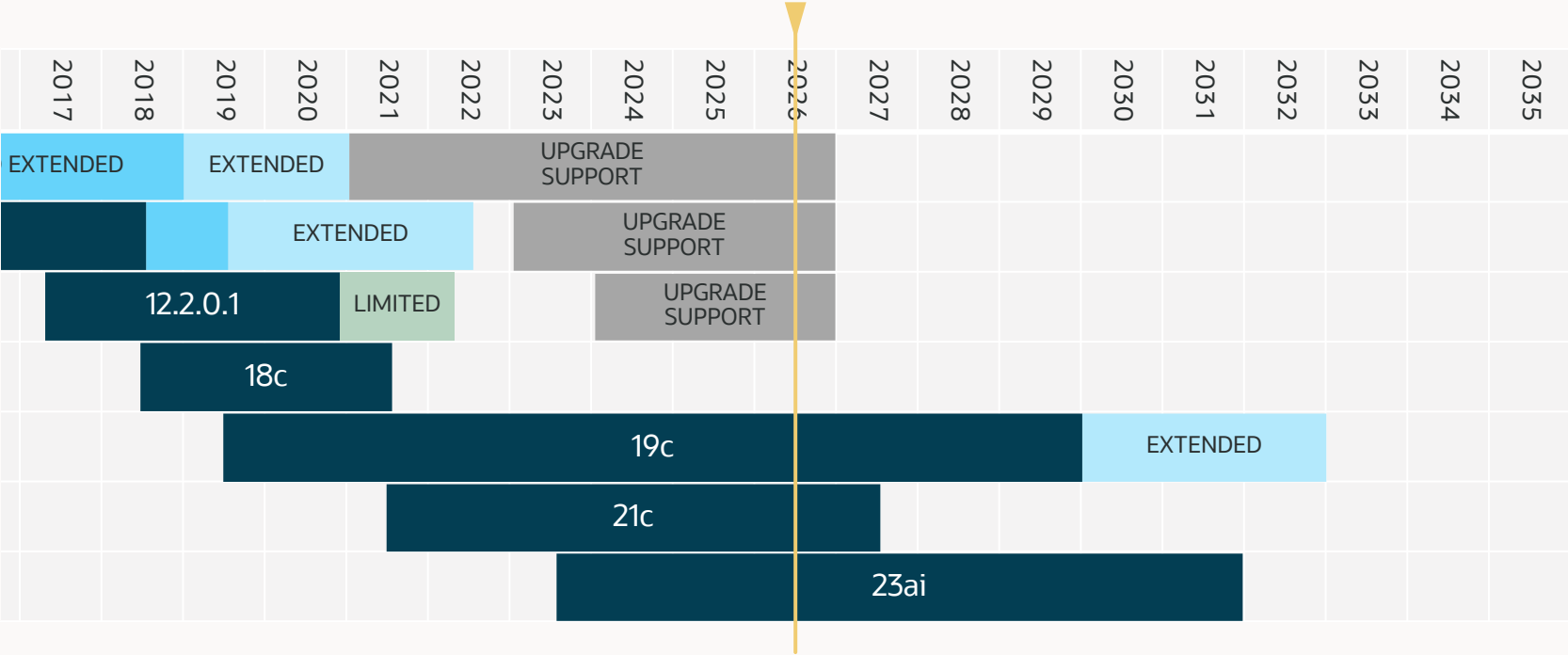


Release Strategy

Lifetime Support Policy



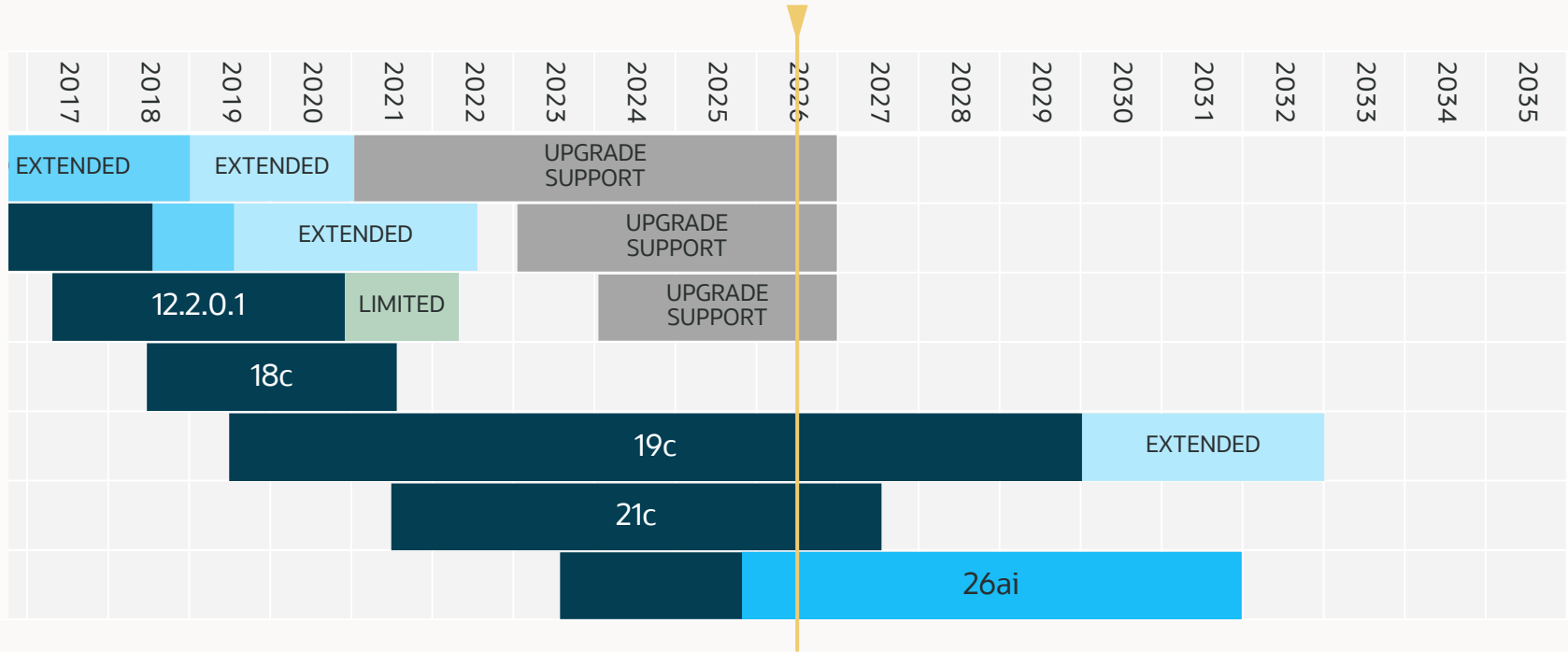
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Do you want to upgrade?

Oracle Database 11.2.0.4

Oracle Database 12.1.0.2

Oracle Database 12.2.0.1

Oracle Database 18c

Oracle Database 11.2.0.4
Oracle Database 12.1.0.2
Oracle Database 12.2.0.1
Oracle Database 18c



Oracle Database 19c



Oracle Database 23ai

Oracle Database 11.2.0.4
Oracle Database 12.1.0.2
Oracle Database 12.2.0.1
Oracle Database 18c



Oracle Database 19c



Oracle Database 23ai

Oracle AI Database 26ai

26^{ai}

When is a database upgrade required?

Oracle Database 19c ⇒ Oracle Database 23ai ⇒ Oracle AI Database 26ai

UPGRADE

Oracle Database 19c



Oracle AI Database 26ai

UPGRADE

Oracle Database 19c ⇒ Oracle Database 23ai ⇒ Oracle AI Database 26ai

UPDATE

July 2025

Oracle Database 23ai

23.9.0.25.07

October 2025

Oracle AI Database 26ai

23.26.0.0.0

January 2026

Oracle AI Database 26ai

23.26.1.0.0

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When will it be available for
non-Oracle hardware on-premises?

On-Premises Server Releases (includes client)[\(Download here\)](#)

Linux x86	<i>Not Planned</i>	<i>Not Planned</i>	<i>Not planned</i>	<i>Not planned</i>	<i>Not planned</i>	<i>Not planned</i>	<i>Not planned</i>	<i>Not planned</i>	28-Aug-2013		
Linux x86-64	January 2026 Release Update (23.26.1) (Instant Client and Full Client are available today)	13-Aug-2021	25-Apr-2019	23-Jul-2018	1-Mar-2017	22-Jul-2014	25-Jun-2013	27-Aug-2013			
Linux on Arm	<i>TBA</i>	<i>Not Planned</i>	28-June-2023 Client: May-2021 download	<i>Not Planned</i>	<i>Not Planned</i>	<i>Not Planned</i>	<i>Not Planned</i>	<i>Not Planned</i>			
Oracle Solaris SPARC (64-	<i>TBA</i>	See KR126264	26-Apr-2019	30-Jul-2018	1-Mar-2017	22-Jul-2014	25-Jun-2013	29-Aug-2013			

Further Information

Release Strategy



- [Release Schedule of Current Database Releases \(PNEWS1360\)](#)

Patching



How often do you apply patches?

<https://www.oracle.com/security-alerts>

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Oracle Critical Patch Update Advisory - April 2026

Description

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Oracle continues to periodically receive reports of attempts to maliciously exploit vulnerabilities for which Oracle has already released security patches. In some instances, it has been reported that attackers have been successful because targeted customers had failed to apply available Oracle patches. Oracle therefore strongly recommends that customers remain on actively-supported versions and apply Critical Patch Update security patches without delay.

This Critical Patch Update contains 481 new security patches across the product families listed below. Please note that an MOS note summarizing the content of this Critical Patch Update and other Oracle Software Security Assurance activities is located at [April 2026 Critical Patch Update: Executive Summary and Analysis](#).

Please note that since the release of the January 2026 Critical Patch Update, Oracle has released a Security Alert for Oracle Identity Manager and Oracle Web Services Manager, [CVE-2026-21992 \(March 20, 2026\)](#). Customers are strongly advised to apply the April 2026 Critical Patch Update for Fusion Middleware products, which includes patches for this Alert as well as additional patches.

Oracle Communications Operations Monitor, versions 5.2, 6.0, 6.1	Oracle Communications Operations Monitor
Oracle Communications Order and Service Management, versions 7.5.0, 8.0.0	Oracle Communications Order and Service Management
Oracle Communications Performance Intelligence Center, versions 10.5.0.0-10.5.0.2	Oracle Communications Performance Intelligence Center
Oracle Communications Policy Management, versions 15.0.0.0.0, 15.0.0.1.0	Oracle Communications Policy Management
Oracle Communications Service Catalog and Design, versions 8.0.0.6.0, 8.1.0.5.0, 8.2.0.2.0	Oracle Communications Service Catalog and Design
Oracle Communications Session Border Controller, versions 9.3.0, 10.0.0, 10.1.0	Oracle Communications Session Border Controller
Oracle Communications Session Report Manager, versions 9.0.0-9.0.4	Oracle Communications Session Report Manager
Oracle Communications Unified Assurance, versions 6.11-7.0.0	Oracle Communications Unified Assurance
Oracle Communications Unified Inventory Management, versions 7.5.0-7.5.1, 7.6.0-7.8.0, 8.0.0	Oracle Communications Unified Inventory Management
Oracle Configuration Manager, versions 13.5, 24.1	Oracle Enterprise Manager
Oracle Data Integrator, versions 12.2.1.4.0, 14.1.2.0.0	Fusion Middleware
Oracle Database Server, versions 12.1.0.2.0, 12.2.0.1.0, 19.3-19.30, 21.3-21.21, 23.4.0-23.26.1	Database
Oracle Documaker, versions 12.7.2-13.0.2	Contact Support
Oracle E-Business Suite, versions 12.2.3-12.2.15, 15.0	Oracle E-Business Suite
Oracle Enterprise Communications Broker, versions 4.2.0, 5.0.0	Oracle Enterprise Communications Broker
Oracle Enterprise Manager Base Platform, versions 13.5, 24.1	Oracle Enterprise Manager
Oracle Enterprise Manager for Fusion Middleware, versions 13.5, 24.1	Oracle Enterprise Manager

Oracle Critical Patch Update Advisory - April 2026

CVE ID	Component	Package and/or Privilege Required	Protocol	Remote Exploit without Auth.?	CVSS VERSION 3.1 RISK (see Risk Matrix Definitions)									Supported Versions Affected	Notes
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CVE-2026-21999	XML Database	HTTP Listener	HTTPS	Yes	5.3	Network	High	None	Required	Un-changed	High	None	None	23.4.0-23.26.1	
CVE-2025-31948	Data Mining (Intel oneAPI Toolkit OpenMP)	Authenticated User	None	No	3.3	Local	Low	Low	None	Un-changed	None	None	Low	19.3-19.30, 21.3-21.21, 23.4.0-23.26.1	
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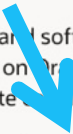
Integrated Cyber Center (ICC)

The latest generation of AI is transforming how software vulnerabilities are identified and fixed, increasing the speed and scale of discovery and remediation.

At Oracle, we have long applied AI across our cloud and software environments to support security testing, vulnerability detection, and code analysis. These capabilities run on Oracle Cloud Infrastructure (OCI), leveraging OCI AI services, infrastructure, and development platforms to operate continuously at scale.

Oracle has access to leading frontier AI models, including Anthropic's Claude Mythos Preview and OpenAI's most capable models through Trusted Access for Cyber, and we are extending our capabilities with these models to improve how quickly and effectively vulnerabilities are identified. Combined with our AI-enabled security operations, these capabilities are applied across Oracle-developed software and services, Oracle Health, and the open-source components we build and use in our products.

The result is stronger code, earlier identification of risk and mitigations, and better protection for Oracle and our





The security practices of yesterday
are not sufficient today anymore



You must upgrade to Oracle Database 19c
or Oracle AI Database 26ai



You must patch your database
with the most recent Release Update

Older Release Updates?

File Download

Click each file name to download the selected files.

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DATABASE RELEASE UPDATE 19.28.0.0.0(Patch:Linux x86)

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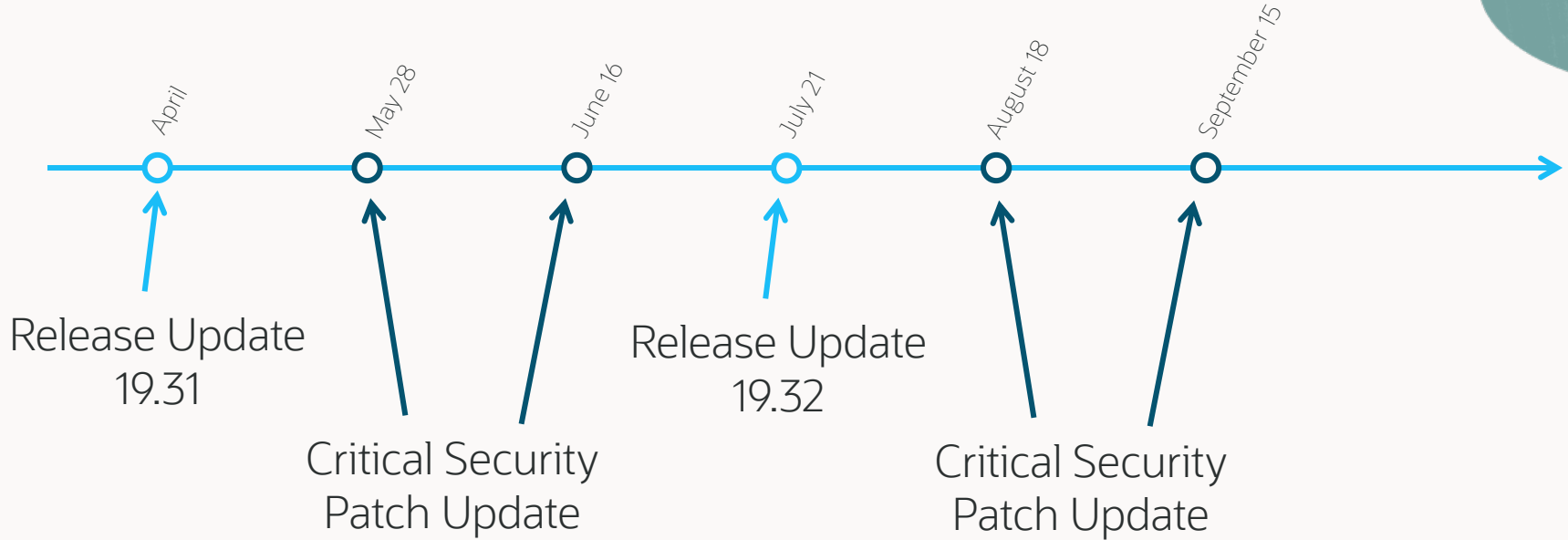


Oracle also recommends
applying monthly patches

Critical Security Patch Update

- **Monthly Critical Security Patch Updates**
Deliver timely, high-priority fixes for critical issues
- **Quarterly Release Updates**
Remain cumulative, including all fixes released in prior CSPUs

Critical Security Patch Update



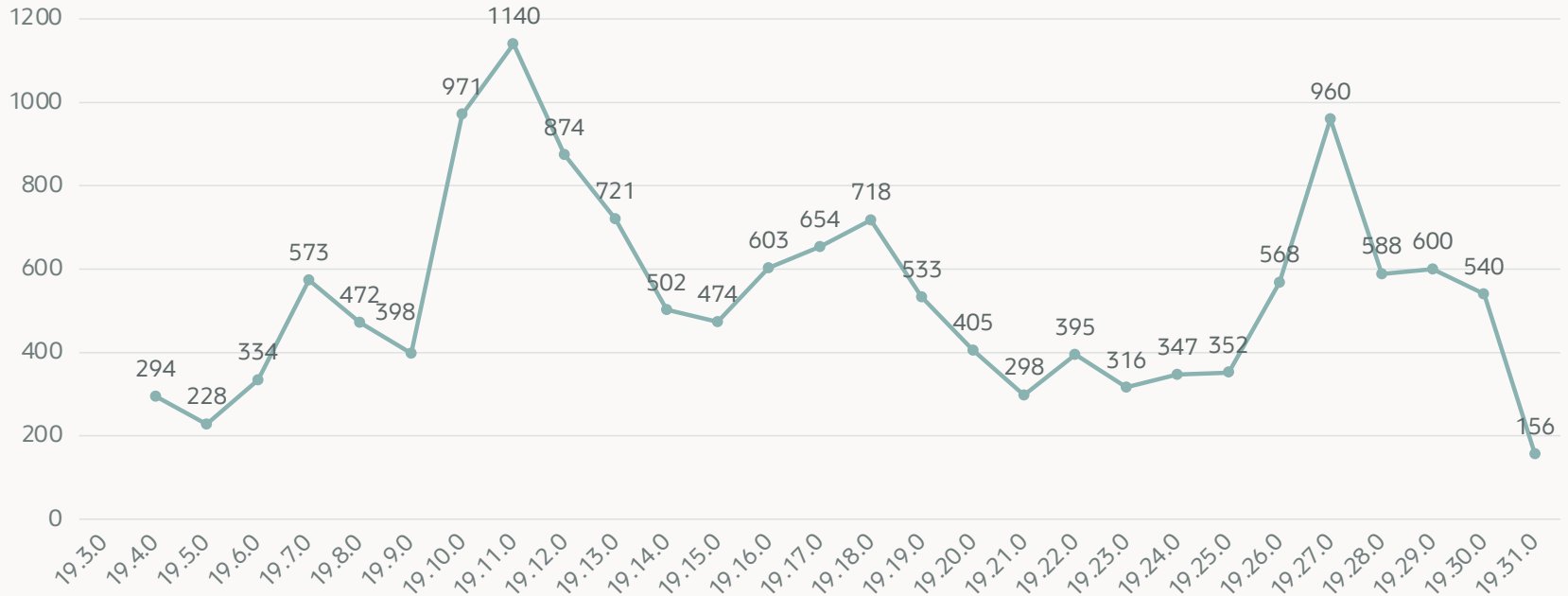
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- [Accelerating Vulnerability Detection and Response at Oracle](#)
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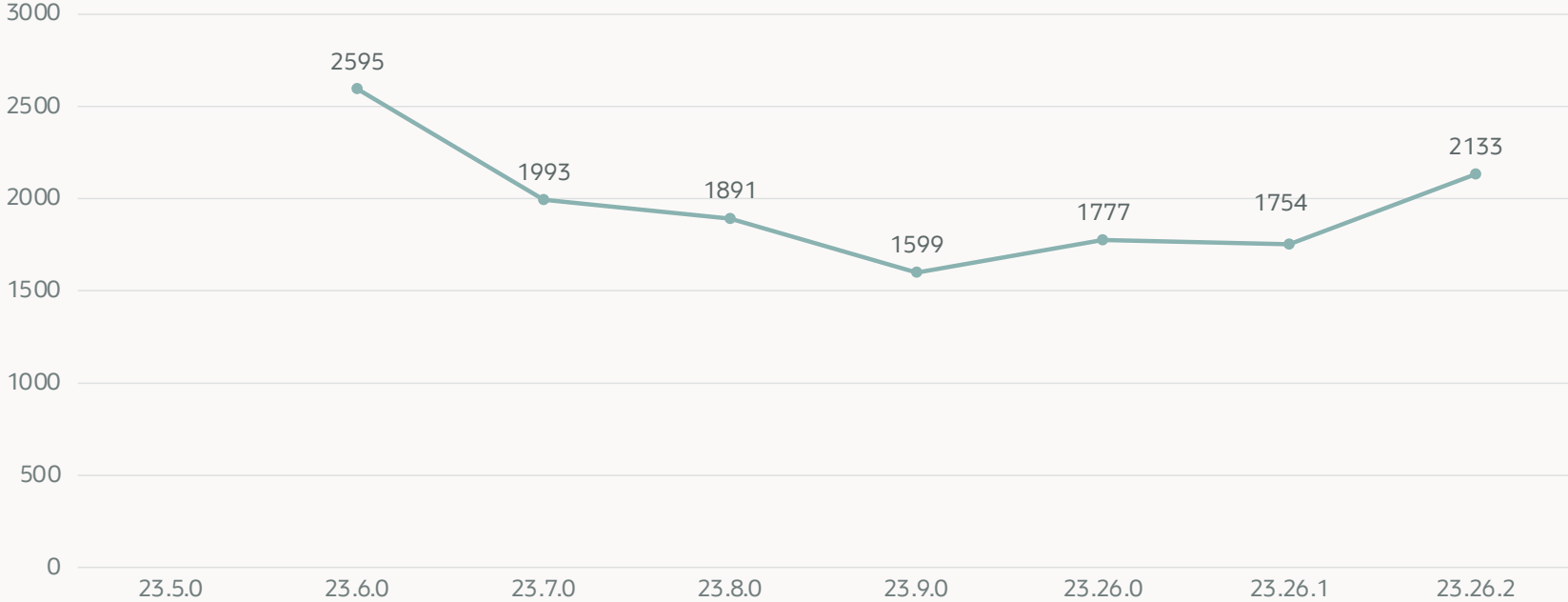
Release Update Contents – Oracle Database 19c



[Database 19 Release Updates and Revisions Bugs Fixed Lists \(Doc ID 2523220.1\)](#)



Release Update Contents – Oracle AI Database 26ai



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If you don't apply a recent Release Update, you will miss thousands of fixes

- [More than 15k fixes with 19.31.0](#)
 - More than 850 security fixes
- [Almost 12k fixes with 23.26.2](#)
 - More than 1000 security fixes

Just as easy as patching your smart phone

AutoUpgrade's mission for patching Oracle Database

AutoUpgrade and Patching



Download

- Find the right patch numbers
- For the right platform
- Get latest OPatch



Install

- Install brand-new Oracle home
- Update OPatch
- Apply all patches



Patch

- Datapatch Sanity Check
- Move instances and files
- Datapatch
- Recompilation
- Post-tasks



```
$ cat just_patch.cfg
```

```
patch1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19/dbhome_19_30_0
```

```
patch1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19/dbhome_19_31_0
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patch1.sid=DB19
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```
$ cat do_it_all.cfg
```

```
global.keystore=/home/oracle/autoupgrade-patching/keystore  
patch1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19/dbhome_19_30_0  
patch1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19/dbhome_19_31_0  
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$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -config do_it_all.cfg -patch -mode deploy
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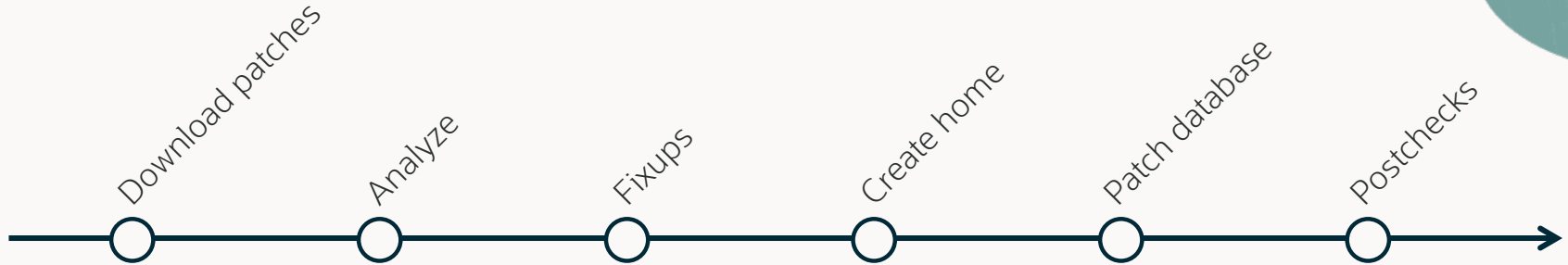
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One-Button Patching

- Download patches
- Install Oracle home
- Patch database



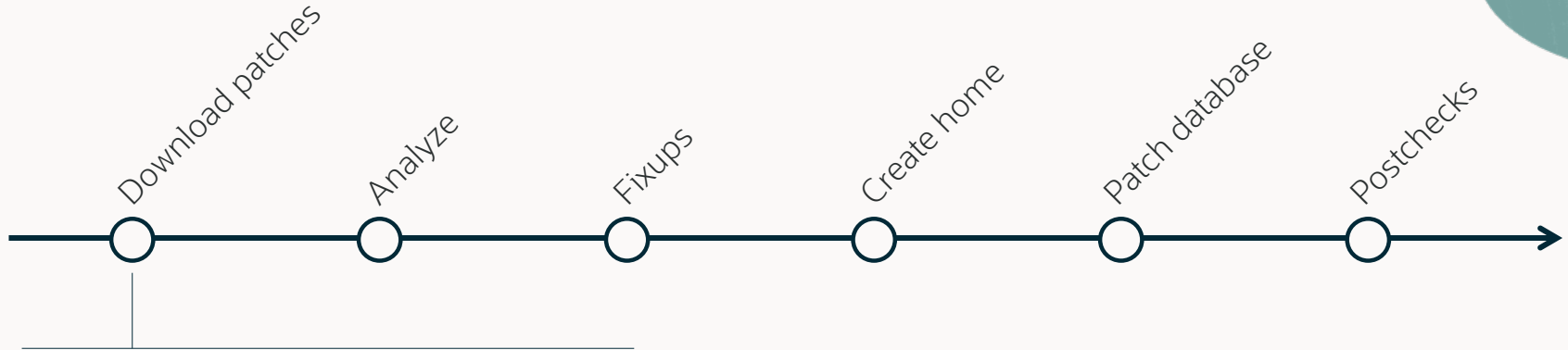
AutoUpgrade Patching



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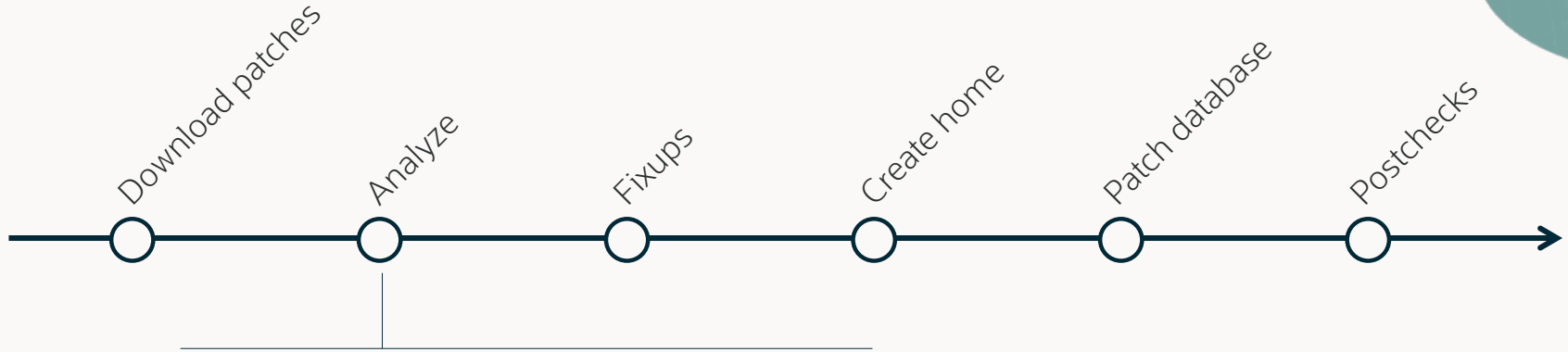
AutoUpgrade Patching



- Finds and downloads patches
- Uses your MOS credentials
- Chooses the right platform
- Stores patches in local repository



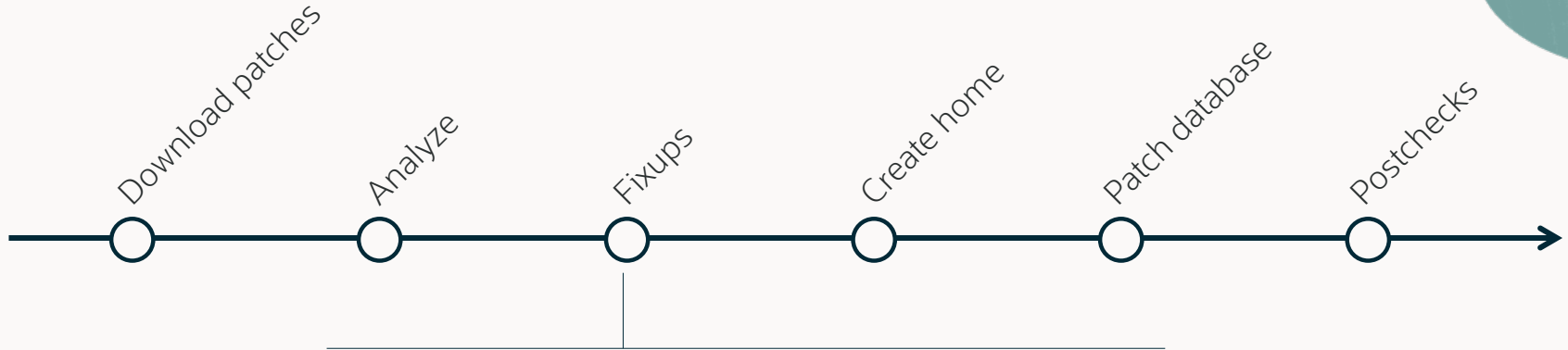
AutoUpgrade Patching



- Analyzes database for patch readiness
- Datapatch Sanity Checks
- Lightweight
- Non-intrusive
- Recommended, not required



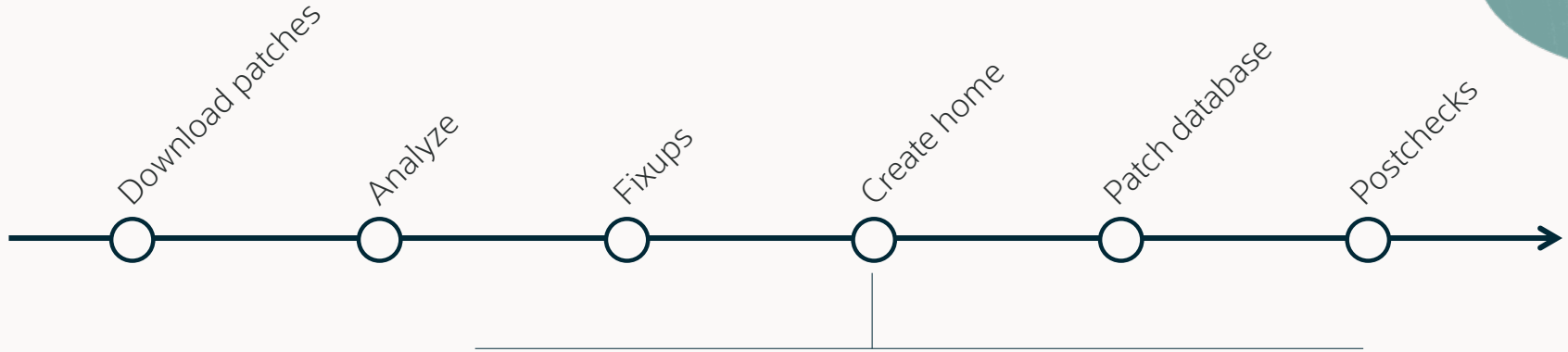
AutoUpgrade Patching



- Gathers dictionary statistics if needed
- Recompile Oracle-maintained objects if needed
- Executes checks - see Doc ID [2380601.1](#)



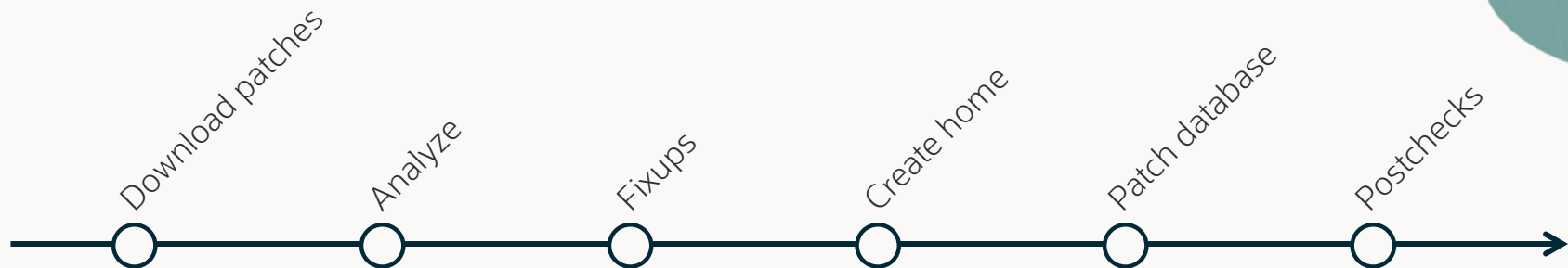
AutoUpgrade Patching



- Out-of-place patching
- Creates a brand-new Oracle home
- Uses *runInstaller settings* and binary options from source Oracle home
- Execute `root.sh` via `sudo`



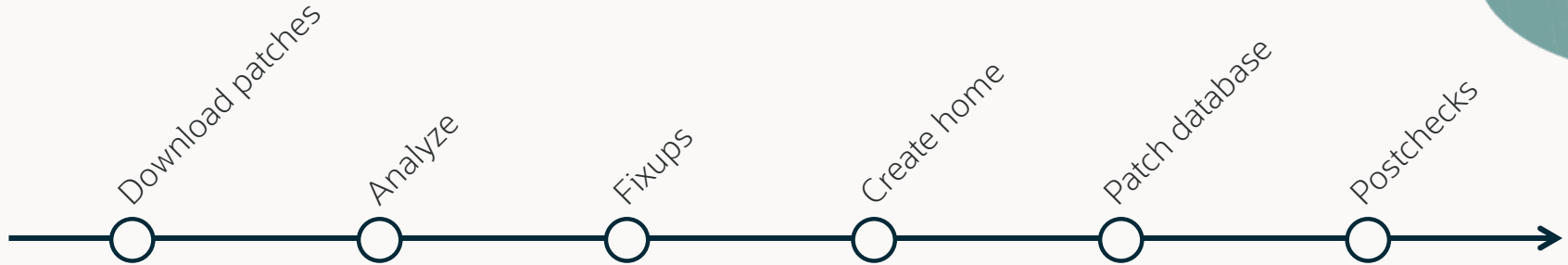
AutoUpgrade Patching



- Moves database instance to new Oracle home
- Moves configuration files
- Executes Datapatch
- Updates system directories (`utlfixdirs.sql`)
- Updates `/etc/oratab`
- Supports read-only Oracle home



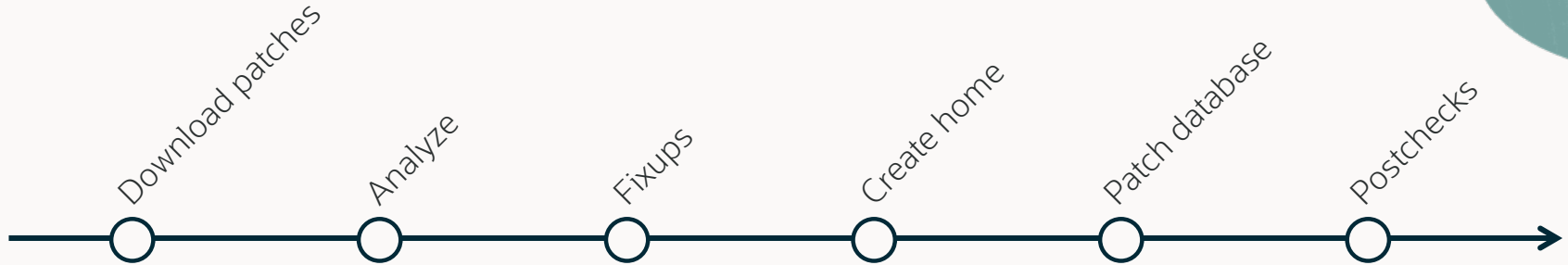
AutoUpgrade Patching



- Post-patching fixups
- Recompiles if needed
- Cleans up



Patching Modes



`-mode download`

`-mode analyze`

`-mode fixups`

`-mode deploy`

`-mode create_home`





Always download
the latest version of AutoUpgrade

- My Oracle Support [KB123450](#)

--Download the latest version of AutoUpgrade directly from oracle.com
--No authentication needed

```
wget https://download.oracle.com/otn-pub/otn_software/autoupgrade.jar
```



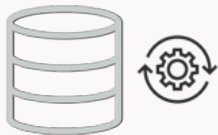


Patching



In-Place Patching

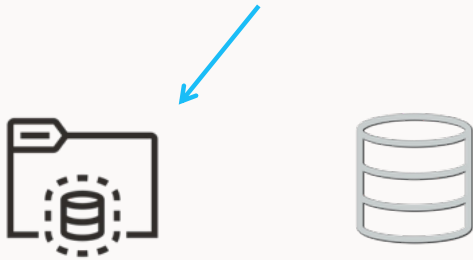
Oracle Home, 19.30.0



```
$ORACLE_HOME/OPatch/opatch rollback -id ...
```

Out-of-Place Patching

Oracle Home, 19.30.0



```
SQL> SHUTDOWN IMMEDIATE
```



```
[oracle]$ $ORACLE_HOME/OPatch/datapatch
```

New Oracle Home
Oracle Home, 19.31.0





Tim Hall ∞ 🤖 +∞ 🗂

@oraclebase



When patching your production Oracle GI/DB installations, which method do you use?

In-Place = Current ORACLE_HOME

Out-Of-Place = New ORACLE_HOME

If you don't look after have production kit, then don't answer.

In-Place

55.4%

Out-Of-Place

44.6%



AutoUpgrade patches out-of-place



Which patches should you install?

```
global.keystore=/home/oracle/autoupgrade-patching/keystore
patch1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19/dbhome_19_30_0
patch1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19/dbhome_19_31_0
patch1.sid=DB19
patch1.folder=/home/oracle/autoupgrade-patching/patch
patch1.patch=RECOMMENDED
```



Recommended Patches

patch1.patch=**RECOMMENDED**

OPATCH

The latest OPatch

RU

The latest Release Update

OJVM

OJVM bundle matching Release Update

DPBP

Data Pump bundle patch matching RU





OJVM is embedded in Release Updates

- No separate download
- Complete RAC Rolling patching support



Stay secure with monthly Critical Security Patch Updates

- CSPUs complement quarterly Release Updates



AutoUpgrade will support
Critical Security Patch Updates (CSPU)

Monthly Recommended Patches

A collection of recommended one-off fixes provided at monthly intervals via a single downloadable patch

Quarterly Release Updates

	2024				2025				2026				2027		
	January	April	July	October	January	April	July	October	January	April	July	October	January	April	July
19c	19.22.0	19.23.0	19.24.0	19.25.0	19.26.0	19.27.0	19.28.0	19.29.0	19.30.0	19.31.0	19.32.0	19.33.0	19.34.0	19.35.0	19.36.0
21c	21.13.0	21.14.0	21.15.0	21.16.0	21.17.0	21.18.0	21.19.0	21.20.0	21.21.0	21.22.0	21.23.0	21.24.0	21.25.0	21.26.0	21.27.0
26ai			23.5.0	23.6.0	23.7.0	23.8.0	23.9.0	23.26.0	23.26.1	23.26.2	23.26.3	23.26.4	23.26.5	23.26.6	23.26.7



Monthly Recommended Patches

	2025						2026							
	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August
19.28.0	19.28.0	MRP1	MRP2	MRP3	MRP4	MRP5	MRP6							
19.29.0				19.29.0	MRP1	MRP2	MRP3	MRP4	MRP5	MRP6				
19.30.0							19.30.0	MRP1	MRP2	MRP3	MRP4	MRP5	MRP6	
19.31.0										19.31.0	MRP1	MRP2	MRP3	MRP4
19.32.0													19.32.0	MRP1





MRPs and CSPUs are cumulative
but only within one Release Update



CSPU and MRPs will co-exist



Customers on Linux may adopt the MRP

- CSPU content is part of MRP

Content

MRP – Monthly Recommended Patch

- [KB188772](#)
 - Critical fixes
 - Regression fixes
 - RAC rolling fixes
- Security fixes

CSPU – Critical Security Patch Update

- Security fixes



Primary Note for Database Quarterly Release Updates

KB106822

Last Updated

Dec 17, 2025

Service

Dec 17, 2025

Service

Gen 2 Exadata Cloud at Customer, Generation 1 - Exadata Cloud at Customer (First Generation Cloud Machine), Oracle Cloud Infrastructure - Exadata Cloud Service, Oracle Database - Enterprise Edition, Oracle Database - Standard Edition



1.7

Authoring Instructions

This is a crossover article and must be edited only in Legacy MOS for Document ID : 888.1. Any changes made here will be lost in the next update.

Applies To

All Users

Summary

The purpose of this document is to list Database patches for both proactive and reactive maintenance.

This was MOS Document ID: 888.1 in Legacy MOS. Post migration, we will be moving to KB888 (Date TBA)

Solution

[1.0 Overview](#)

[2.0 Oracle Recommendation](#)

[3.0 Latest Release Updates](#)

- [3.1 Oracle Database Long Term Releases](#)
 - [3.1.1 Database 19c](#)

```
$ cat DB19.cfg
```

```
global.keystore=/home/oracle/autoupgrade-patching/keystore  
patch1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19/dbhome_19_30_0  
patch1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19/dbhome_19_31_0  
patch1.sid=DB19  
patch1.folder=/home/oracle/autoupgrade-patching/patch  
patch1.patch=RECOMMENDED, 38716952
```



```
$ cat DB19.cfg
```

```
global.keystore=/home/oracle/autoupgrade-patching/keystore  
patch1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19/dbhome_19_30_0  
patch1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19/dbhome_19_31_0  
patch1.sid=DB19  
patch1.folder=/home/oracle/autoupgrade-patching/patch  
patch1.patch=RECOMMENDED,38716952  
patch1.patch=RECOMMENDED,MRP
```





You can also add specific one-off fixes

- Oracle Database 19c and Oracle AI Database 26ai Important Recommended One-off Patches ([KB188772](#))

Oracle Database 19c and Oracle AI Database 26ai Important Recommended One- off Patches

KB188772

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Yesterday 11:23 PM

Service
Oracle Database - Enterprise
Edition



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Applies To

All Users

Summary

Solution

NOTE: This document will be updated once a week on Tuesdays at 9AM EST if any new patch is identified.

Through our review of service requests, we often find that issues encountered are the result of customers being on an older Release Update (RU) or Monthly Recommended Patch (MRP). Many issues will have been fixed in the latest updates, which we always recommend.

As noted in the RU-specific tables below, fixes for known issues are targeted for inclusion in the next available MRP and RU. You can always find the latest RUs, MRPs, other patches, lists of fixed bugs and known issues in [KB106822](#) Identifying and installing the latest updates (patches) helps ensure you are using the most current content for security, functional, regression and bug fixes, as well as minor enhancements and any emergency one-offs.

Note:

Oracle encourages customers to install the latest MRP whenever possible. MRPs deliver the safest, fully-tested path to receive the fixes in this document. Refer to [FAQ2283](#) for further details.

In addition to the relevant patches listed below, you should apply patches based on the specific RU after reviewing the following My Oracle Support knowledge documents:

```
$ cat DB19.cfg
```

```
global.keystore=/home/oracle/autoupgrade-patching/keystore  
patch1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19/dbhome_19_30_0  
patch1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19/dbhome_19_31_0  
patch1.sid=DB19  
patch1.folder=/home/oracle/autoupgrade-patching/patch  
patch1.patch=RECOMMENDED, 37690446, 34672698, 34774667, 29213893
```



```
$ cat DB19.cfg
```


```
global.keystore=/home/oracle/autoupgrade-patching/keystore  
patch1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19/dbhome_19_30_0  
patch1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19/dbhome_19_31_0  
patch1.sid=DB19  
patch1.folder=/home/oracle/autoupgrade-patching/patch  
patch1.patch=RECOMMENDED,OCW
```



DEMO

Applying recommended patches

- Specifying patches
- Patch database

 Watch on [YouTube](#)



How to download patches

Network Connectivity

The download stage requires:

1. Internet access
2. My Oracle Support credentials



Internet Access

AutoUpgrade connects to:

- `https://updates.oracle.com`
- `https://login-ext.identity.oraclecloud.com`
- `https://aru-akam.oracle.com`

URLs are part of a CDN, so expect changing IP addresses

- Use DNS names instead of IP addresses in your firewall

For connections via proxy use environment variables

- `https_proxy`



MOS Credentials

You must have:

- A valid My Oracle Support credential
- Connected to a Customer Support Identifier (CSI)
- Privilege to download patches using that CSI

Failure to meet the requirements:

- `*Connection Failed - You entered an incorrect user name or password.*`



MOS Credentials

For *download patches* privilege contact an MOS administrator in your organization.

- In *User Details*
- Select the appropriate *Support Identifier*
- Set the *Patches* drop-down to *Download*

Keystore

AutoUpgrade stores MOS credentials in a keystore

- Config file parameter: `global.keystore`
- Governs directory of AutoUpgrade keystore
- Password protected software keystore
- Optionally, an auto-open keystore
- No additional license needed



```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar ... -patch -load_password
```



```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar ... -patch -load_password
```

```
...
```

```
MOS> add -user <MOS username>
```

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

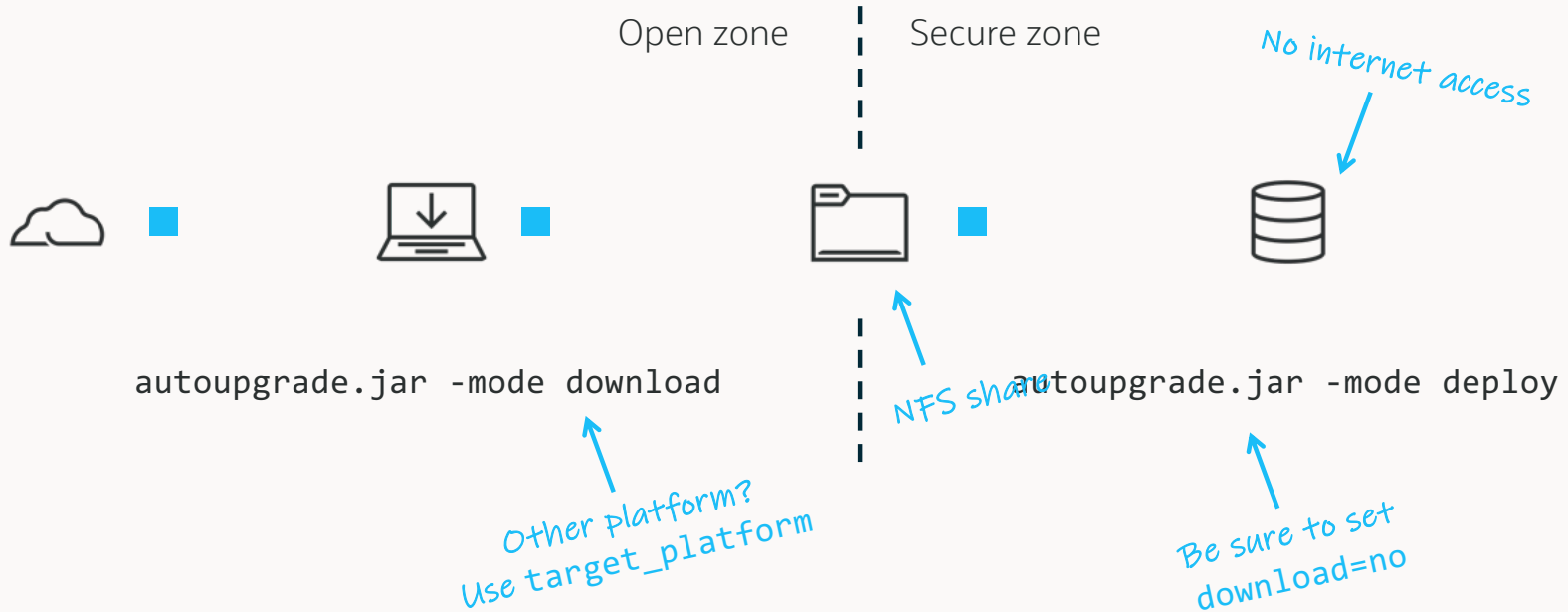
```
Re-enter your secret/Password:
```





Your database host
doesn't have internet access?

Using Download Mode





You can download patches manually and place them in the *patch* folder

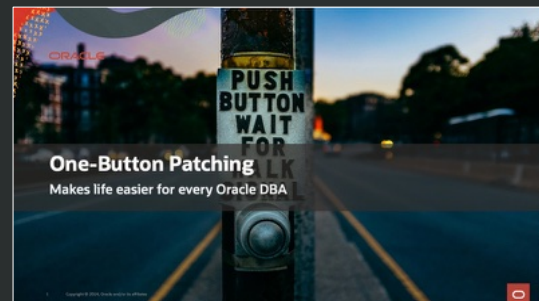
- Use a shared folder accessible to all hosts

Webinar

One-Button Patching

Makes life easier for every Oracle DBA

Recording on [YouTube](#)
Get the [slides](#)



Patch smarter, not harder

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Hands-on Lab

Patch Me If You Can

It's better to fail in our lab, than in production



[Access lab on Oracle Live Labs](#)

Datapatch

What is Datapatch?

`$ORACLE_HOME/OPatch/datapatch`

↳ `$ORACLE_HOME/sqlpatch/sqlpatch`

↳ `$ORACLE_HOME/sqlpatch/sqlpatch.pl`

```
use strict;  
use Getopt::Long;  
  
use sqlpatch.pm
```





Datapatch uses OPatch to determine patches installed in Oracle home

- From within the database via `DBMS_QOPATCH`

ORA-20001: Latest xml inventory is not loaded into table

--Avoid the use of Queryable Inventory by using OPatch directly
--Safe for single instance databases. In RAC, it's vital you ensure
--all nodes are patched and the inventories on each node is similar.

`./datapatch -noqi`

`./datapatch -local_inventory`



Patch Apply Sequence

datapatch



1



Java patches

2



Release Update

3



One-off patches



Datapatch | Patch Rollback and Apply Queue

Oracle Home



Binary Registry after opatch:

OJVM 19.31

Release Update 19.31

One-off Patch 39142906

./datapatch

Database



SQL Registry before datapatch:

OJVM 19.30

Release Update 19.30

One-off Patch 29213893



Datapatch | Patch Rollback and Apply Queue

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OJVM 19.31

Release Update 19.31

One-off Patch 39142906

SQL Registry before datapatch:

OJVM 19.30

Release Update 19.30

One-off Patch 29213893

datapatch queue

Rollback:

Apply:

Rollback:

Cumulative:

Release Update 19.30 to 19.31

Apply:





Purge old rollback scripts from the data dictionary

Rollback Scripts



Apply/rollback scripts

```
$ORACLE_HOME/sqlpatch/.../nnn_apply.sql  
$ORACLE_HOME/sqlpatch/.../nnn_rollback.sql
```



Rollback scripts:

```
INSERT INTO REGISTRY$SQLPATCH  
VALUES ... ;
```

```
INSERT INTO REGISTRY$SQLPATCH_RU_INFO  
VALUES ... ;
```



PATCH_ID	RU_VERSION	RU_BUILD_TS	LOB_SIZE_MB
29517242	19.3.0.0.0	04/10/2019 12:27:20	4
30125133	19.5.0.0.0	09/09/2019 18:05:49	18
30557433	19.6.0.0.0	12/17/2019 15:50:04	24
30869156	19.7.0.0.0	04/04/2020 03:50:18	30
31281355	19.8.0.0.0	07/03/2020 03:15:01	37
31771877	19.9.0.0.0	09/30/2020 18:32:49	43
32218454	19.10.0.0.0	01/08/2021 18:50:17	51
32545013	19.11.0.0.0	04/13/2021 00:40:09	59
32904851	19.12.0.0.0	07/16/2021 14:18:10	67
33192793	19.13.0.0.0	10/04/2021 16:50:50	75
33515361	19.14.0.0.0	12/25/2021 12:21:23	83
34133642	19.16.0.0.0	07/03/2022 02:22:23	99
34419443	19.17.0.0.0	09/24/2022 22:40:51	108
34765931	19.18.0.0.0	01/11/2023 17:17:38	116
35643107	19.21.0.0.0	09/30/2023 15:19:51	141

15 rows selected.

CON_ID	LOB_SIZE_MB
1	953
2	953
3	953
...	...
4098	953



-- Available since 19.28.0. Purges no longer needed zip files.

-- Run in off-peak period after patching

./datapatch -purge_old_metadata



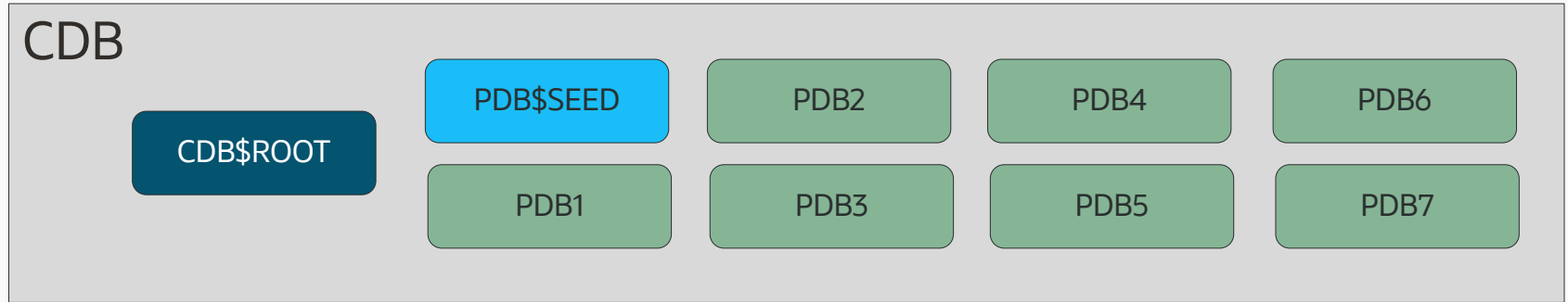
Major retailer in the US

Saved **20 TB/year** in total:

- *5000 DBs*
- *5 PDBs (3 PDBs + Root + Seed)*
- *200 Mb in each per patch*
- *4 patches annually*



Multitenant



- Datapatch starts with CDB\$ROOT
- Datapatch sorts PDBs by *priority* and *con_id*
 - Set priority using `ALTER PLUGGABLE DATABASE ... PRIORITY`
- Datapatch determines parallel degree based on `CPU_COUNT`





Datapatch patches *PDB\$SEED* automatically

- New PDBs are ready to go
- No need to execute Datapatch on new PDBs
- Always set: `_exclude_seed_cdb_view=FALSE`



Datapatch only patches open PDBs

- `READ WRITE`, or `UPGRADE`



Unpatched PDBs will open in **RESTRICTED** mode

- Applies to failed or incomplete Datapatch runs
- Reported as plug-in violation

--Prevent PDBs from opening in restricted mode after a failed/incomplete
--Datapatch run. Quickly resolve the patching issue and re-run Datapatch.
--Use with caution.

```
alter system set "_pdb_datapatch_violation_restricted"=false;
```



Advanced Patching

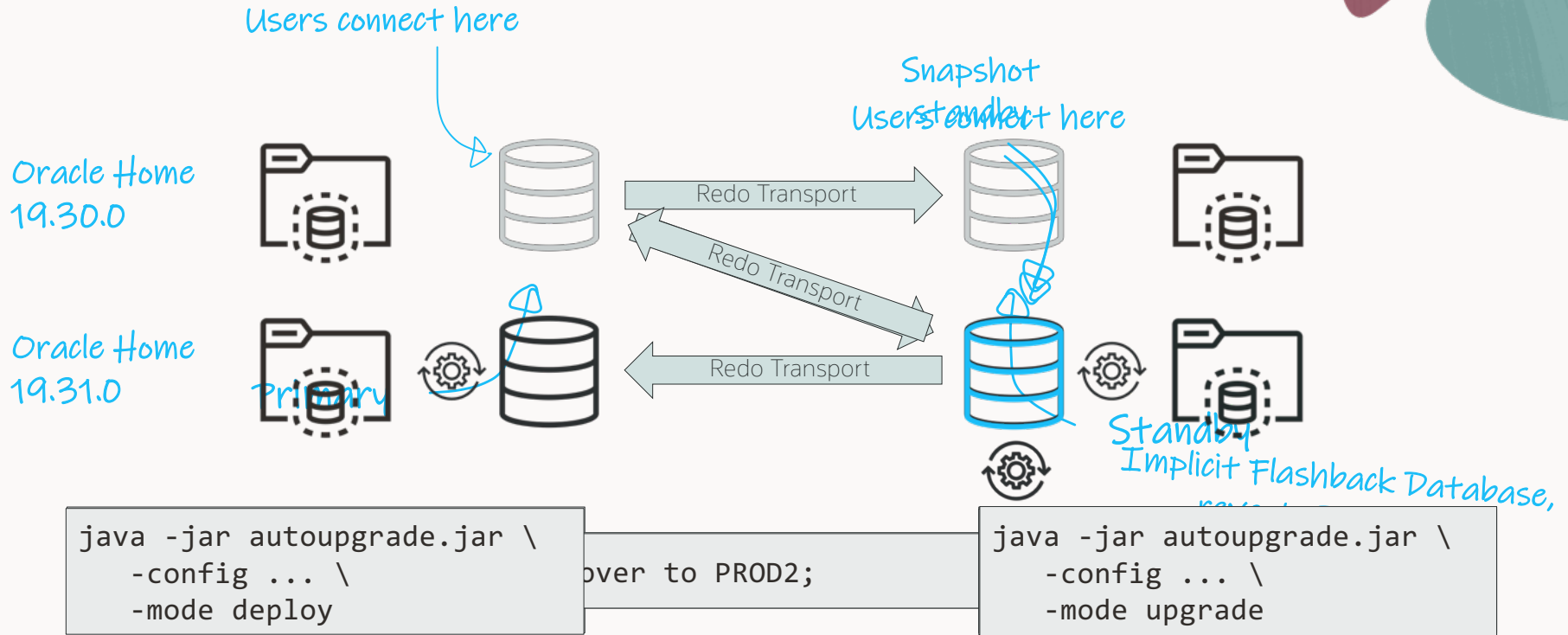


Reduce downtime to the time it takes
to perform a switchover



Safely test and verify patches with Standby-First Patch Apply

Standby-First Patching





Patch must Standby-First installable

- Release Updates (RU) are always standby-first installable
- Always check the patches' readme



Execute Datapatch on the primary database

- Only execute Datapatch when all homes are on the new patch

Standby-First Patching



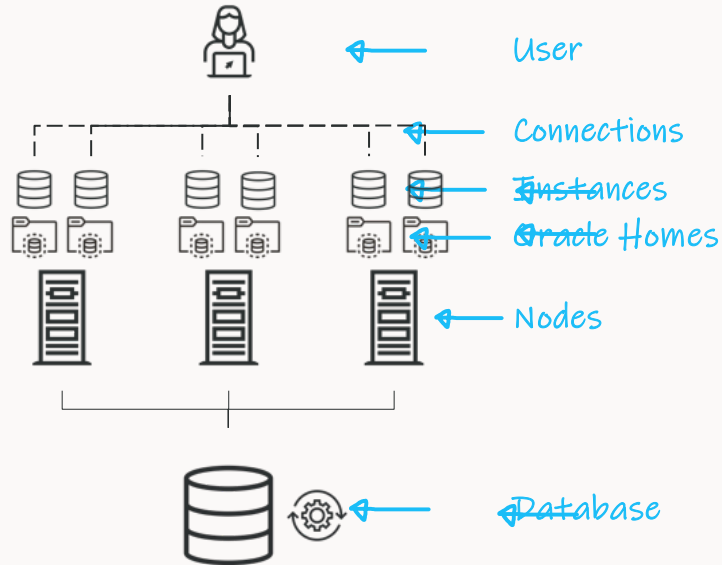
- [Introduction to Patching Oracle Data Guard](#)
- [KB137118 Oracle Patch Assurance - Data Guard Standby-First Patch Apply](#)





Avoid database downtime with RAC Rolling Patch Apply

RAC Rolling Patching



- New DB home

```
autoupgrade.jar ... -mode create_home
```

- Move to new home

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



Keep GI and DB patch levels in sync

- This is what we test and run in our Cloud

GI and DB Patch Levels

Method	Status	Example
In sync	Recommended, best practice	GI 19.31 + DB 19.31
Within two Release Updates	Supported, good practice	GI 19.31 + DB 19.29 GI 19.29 + DB 19.31
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Complete a rolling patching operation
always as quickly as possible

- [FAQ7365](#)
[RAC: Frequently Asked Questions](#)



Unusual combinations are supported, but we **strongly advice against it**

- Node 1 with GI 19.31.0, node 2 with GI 19.30.0
- Patching node 1 on Monday, node 2 on Tuesday ...
- Mix of GI and DB versions on various nodes

Release updates are **always**:



Standby-First installable



RAC Rolling installable



Always patch Out-of-Place



But if you insist ...

```
du -sh $ORACLE_HOME/.patch_storage
```

```
14.2G    /u01/app/oracle/product/19/.patch_storage
```

```
-- Clean up Oracle home if you use in-place patching  
-- or use out-of-place patching with cloned Oracle homes.  
-- Delete obsolete files from $ORACLE_HOME/.patch_storage and trims OPatch XML  
files
```

```
./opatch util deleteinactivepatches
```



Key Learnings



- 1** Patch your Oracle AI Database regularly
- 2** Patch out-of-place
- 3** Use AutoUpgrade Patching



Break

We will start again at 11:15

AutoUpgrade

Overview and new features





AutoUpgrade is the **only supported tool** to upgrade your Oracle Database

- DBUA is **desupported**

```
$ java -jar autoupgrade.jar -version
```

```
build.version 26.3.260401
```

```
build.date 2026/04/01 20:09:34 +0000
```

```
build.supported_target_versions 12.2,18,19,21,23,26
```

```
build.type production
```

```
build.MOS_NOTE KB123450
```

```
build.MOS_LINK https://support.oracle.com/...
```



--Download the latest version of AutoUpgrade directly from oracle.com
--No authentication needed

```
wget https://download.oracle.com/otn-pub/otn_software/autoupgrade.jar
```



New Features

--Upgrade RMAN catalog after upgrade

--<https://dohdatabase.com/autoupgrade-new-features-upgrade-rman-catalog-schema>

```
$ cat CDB1.cfg
```

```
upg1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19/dbhome_19_30
```

```
upg1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/26/dbhome_26_1
```

```
upg1.sid=CDB1
```

```
upg1.rman_catalog_connect_string=catalogdb
```



--Update OEM configuration after upgrade

--<https://dohtdatabase.com/autoupgrade-new-features-update-enterprise-manager-configuration>

```
$ cat CDB1.cfg
```

```
upg1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/19/dbhome_19_30
```

```
upg1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/26/dbhome_26_1
```

```
upg1.sid=CDB1
```

```
upg1.upg1.emcli_path=/u01/app/oracle/oem
```

```
upg1.em_target_name=ORCL_myhost.domain.int
```





Upgrading and patching on Windows

Services

F... Act... Vi... H...

Services (Local)

Name	Description	Status	Startup Type	Log On As
OpenSSH Authentication Agent	Agent to h...		Disabled	Local System
OpenSSH SSH Server	SSH protoc...		Disabled	Local System
Optimize drives	Helps the c...		Manual	Local System
Oracle Balloon Service		Running	Automatic	Local System
Oracle Cloud Agent	Oracle Clo...	Running	Automatic	NT SERVICE\O...
Oracle Cloud Agent Cloud Guard Workl...	Oracle Clo...	Running	Manual	NT SERVICE\O...
Oracle Cloud Agent Run Command Serv...	Oracle Clo...	Running	Manual	NT SERVICE\O...
Oracle Cloud Agent Updater	Oracle Clo...	Running	Automatic	NT SERVICE\O...
Oracle Cloud Block Storage Manageme...	Oracle Clo...		Manual	NT SERVICE\O...
Oracle Cloud Operating System Manage...	Oracle Clo...		Manual	NT SERVICE\O...
Oracle Cloud Operating System Manage...	Oracle Clo...		Manual	NT SERVICE\O...
Oracle Cloud Unified Monitoring Install...	Oracle Clo...	Running	Manual	NT SERVICE\O...
Oracle Cloud Vulnerability Scanning Ser...	Oracle Clo...		Manual	NT SERVICE\O...
Oracle Unified Agent	Oracle Unif...	Running	Manual	Local System
Oracle VioGpu Resolution Service		Running	Automatic	Local System
Oracle VirtIO Service	Oracle Virtl...	Running	Automatic	Local System
OracleJobSchedulerDB19			Disabled	.\OraDb
OracleRemExecServiceV2			Manual	Local System
OracleServiceDB19			Automatic	.\OraDb
OracleVssWriterDB19			Automatic	.\OraDb
Payments and NFC/SE Manager	Manages p...		Disabled	Local Service
Performance Counter DLL Host	Enables re...		Manual	Local Service
Performance Logs & Alerts	Performan...		Manual	Local Service
Phone Service	Manages t...		Disabled	Local Service

Extended Standard

```
$ cat patch_on_win.cfg
```

```
global.keystore=c:\oracle\autoupgrade\keystore  
patch1.source_home=c:\oracle\product\dbhome_19_30_0  
patch1.target_home=c:\oracle\product\dbhome_19_31_0  
patch1.sid=DB19  
patch1.folder=c:\oracle\patches  
patch1.patch=RECOMMENDED  
patch1.wincredential=c:\oracle\autoupgrade\credential
```



```
C:\> java -jar autoupgrade.jar  
-config patch_on_win.cfg  
-patch  
-loadwincredential "DB19"
```





```
C:\> java -jar autoupgrade.jar  
-config patch_on_win.cfg  
-patch  
-loadwincredential "DB19"
```

```
C:\> java -jar autoupgrade.jar  
-config patch_on_win.cfg  
-patch  
-mode deploy
```



DEMO

Patch on Windows



[Watch on YouTube](#)

--AutoUpgrade deletes the credential file after use for security reasons
--For automation it is desirable to keep the credential file

patch1.delete_credential_file=false





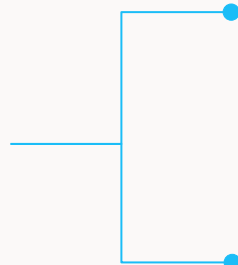
AutoUpgrade fully supports upgrading
Oracle RAC Database on Windows

Refreshable Clone PDBs

Non-CDB to PDB conversion is irreversible

What are your rollback options?

ROLLBACK



Backup / restore

Ensure you have a recent backup and requires time to restore and recover

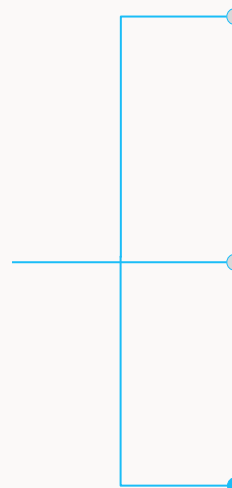


Copy data files

Requires time and disk space to hold a copy of the data files



ROLLBACK



Backup / restore

Ensure you have a recent backup and requires time to restore and recover



Copy data files

Requires time and disk space to hold a copy of the data files



Refreshable clone PDB

Requires ~~time and~~ disk space to hold a copy of the data files

Requires Oracle Database 12.2 or newer



Refreshable Clone PDB



CREATE

Create PDB from non-CDB over a database link



REFRESH

Apply redo from non-CDB to keep PDB up-to-date



OUTAGE

Disconnect users and refresh PDB for the last time



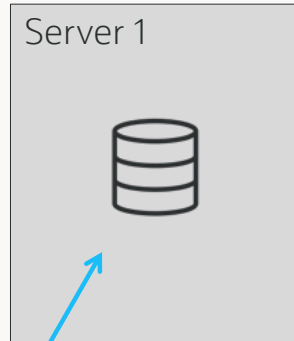
CONVERT

To become a proper PDB, it must be converted

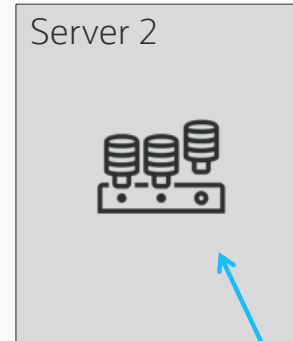


Refreshable Clone PDB

system01.dbf
sysaux01.dbf
users01.dbf
undo01.dbf
...



Source
non-CDB

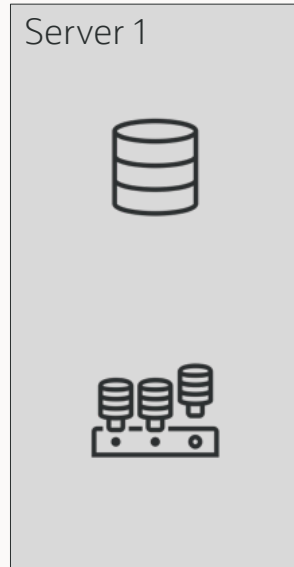


Target
CDB



Refreshable Clone PDB

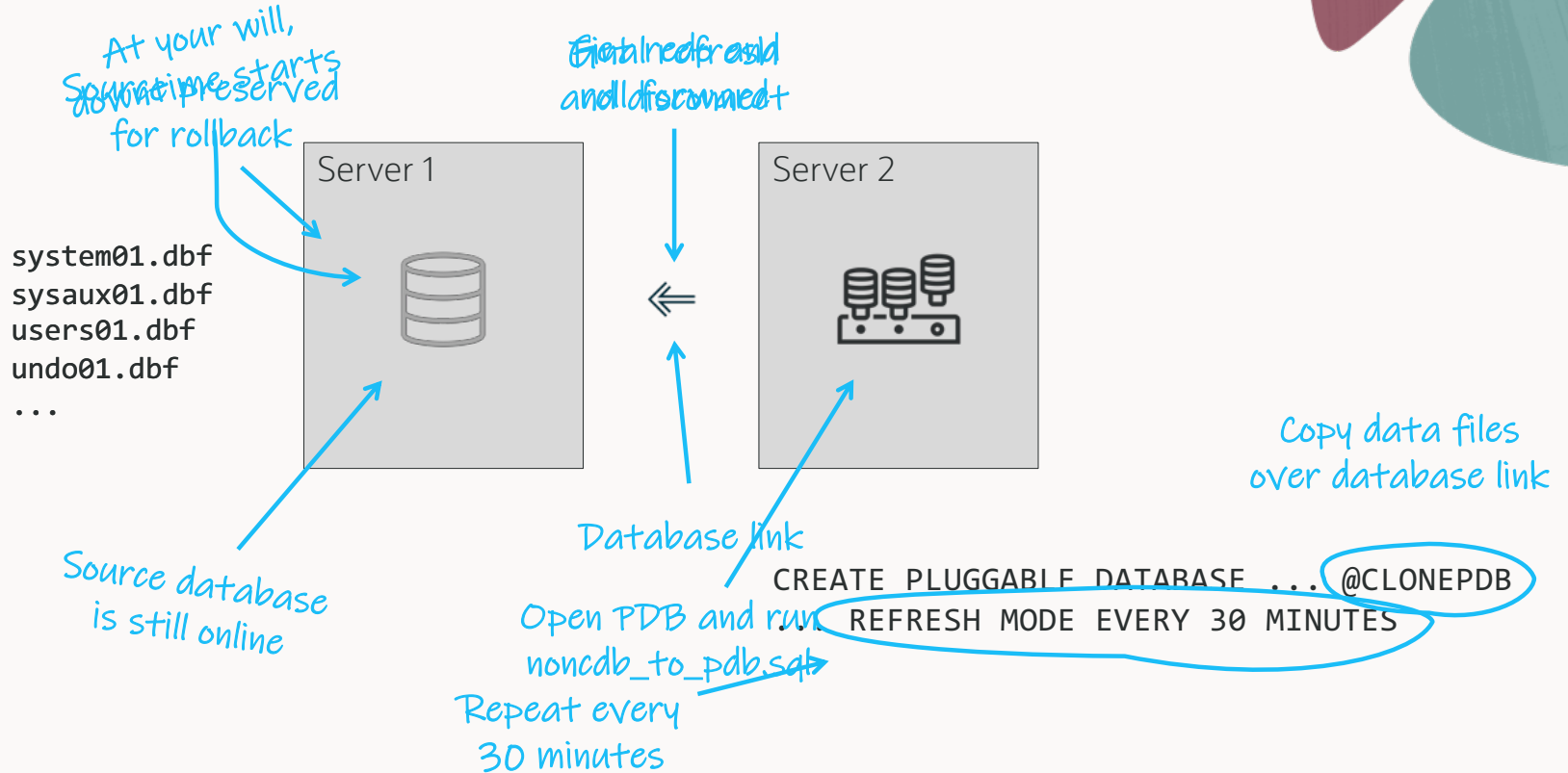
system01.dbf
sysaux01.dbf
users01.dbf
undo01.dbf
...



*Could be same
server as well*



Refreshable Clone



Refreshable Clone PDB

Source non-CDB

Target CDB



```
CREATE USER dblinkuser
  IDENTIFIED BY ... ;

GRANT CREATE SESSION,
  CREATE PLUGGABLE DATABASE,
  SELECT_CATALOG_ROLE TO dblinkuser;

GRANT READ ON sys.enc$ TO dblinkuser;
```

```
CREATE DATABASE LINK CLONEPDB
  CONNECT TO dblinkuser
  IDENTIFIED BY ...
  USING 'noncdb-alias';
```



Refreshable Clone

Source non-CDB

Target CDB



```
upg1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/dbhome_19_31
upg1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/dbhome_26_2
upg1.sid=NONCDB1
upg1.target_cdb=CDB1
upg1.target_version=26
upg1.source_dblink.NONCDB1=CLONEPDB
upg1.target_pdb_name.NONCDB1=PDB1
```





You can drop user and database link after migration

- Config file parameter `drop_dblink`

Refreshable Clone PDB

Source non-CDB

Target CDB



```
upg1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/dbhome_19_31
upg1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/dbhome_26_2
upg1.sid=NONCDB1
upg1.target_cdb=CDB1
upg1.target_version=26
upg1.source_dblink.NONCDB1=CLONEPDB 300
upg1.target_pdb_name.NONCDB1=PDB1
```



Refreshable Clone PDB

Source non-CDB

Target CDB



```
upg1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/dbhome_19_31
upg1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/dbhome_26_2
upg1.sid=NONCDB1
upg1.target_cdb=CDB1
upg1.target_version=26
upg1.source_dblink.NONCDB1=CLONEPDB 300
upg1.target_pdb_name.NONCDB1=PDB1
```





Rename your PDB to [avoid name collision](#)

- If CDB is on same host,
it also registers for the default service

Refreshable Clone

Source non-CDB

Target CDB



```
upg1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/dbhome_19_31
upg1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/dbhome_26_2
upg1.sid=NONCDB1
upg1.target_cdb=CDB1
upg1.target_version=26
upg1.source_dblink.NONCDB1=CLONEPDB 300
upg1.target_pdb_name.NONCDB1=PDB1
upg1.start_time=19/01/2038 03:14:07
```

--When a job is in REFRESHPDB stage,
--you can force it to start immediately
upg> proceed -job 101



--When a job is in REFRESHPDB stage,
--you can force it to start immediately

```
upg> proceed -job 101
```

--Or postpone it

```
upg> proceed -job 101 -newstarttime +2h30m
```





--When a job is in REFRESHPDB stage,
--you can force it to start immediately

```
upg> proceed -job 101
```

--Or postpone it

```
upg> proceed -job 101 -newstarttime +30m
```

--Or reschedule it

```
upg> proceed -job 101 -newstarttime 21/06/2026 02:30:00
```



Refreshable Clone PDB

Source non-CDB

Target CDB



```
upg1.source_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/dbhome_19_31
upg1.target_home=/u01/app/oracle/product/dbhome_26_2
upg1.sid=NONCDB1
upg1.target_cdb=CDB1
upg1.target_version=26
upg1.source_dblink.NONCDB1=CLONEPDB 300
upg1.target_pdb_name.NONCDB1=PDB1
upg1.start_time=19/01/2038 03:14:07
upg1.parallel_pdb_creation_clause=4
```

Refreshable Clone

1

Run on source

```
autoupgrade.jar ... -mode analyze  
autoupgrade.jar ... -mode fixups
```

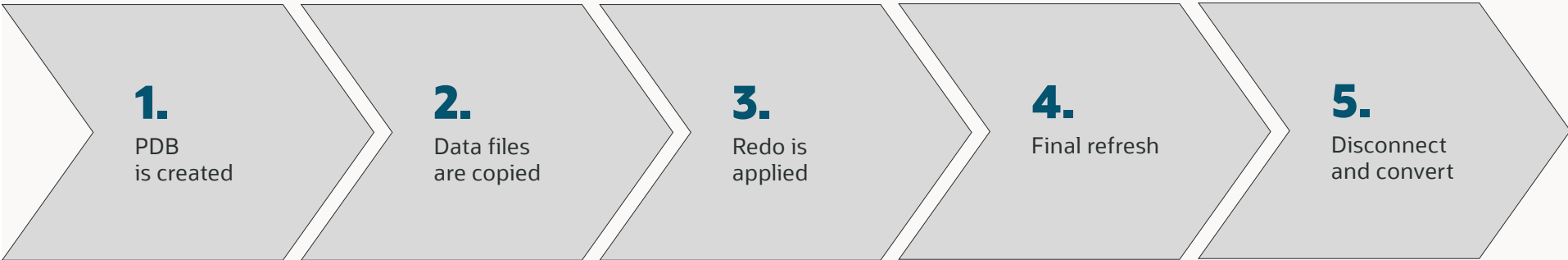
2

Run on target

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



Refreshable Clone PDB



`autoupgrade.jar ... -mode deploy`

`upg1.start_time=19/01/2038 03:14:07`

`upg> proceed -job n`





Works for **unplug-plug** upgrades as well



The source non-CDB stays **intact**
to allow rollback



**Techniker
Krankenkasse**

Move hundreds of Oracle Database 19c PDBs to
Oracle Database 23ai with ExaScale-only



Customer Case | Techniker Krankenkasse

Customer

Project

Constraints

Preparation

Upgrade

Success?

Remarks

Large German Public Health Insurance

- **Founded:** 1884
- **Legal Form:** Public Corporation
- **Headquarters:** Hamburg, Germany
- **Members:** 11.9 million
- **Employees:** aprx. 19,000
- **Customer Service:** 174 service centers
- **Budget 2024:** €62.5 billion

Customer Case | Techniker Krankenkasse

Customer

Project

Constraints

Preparation

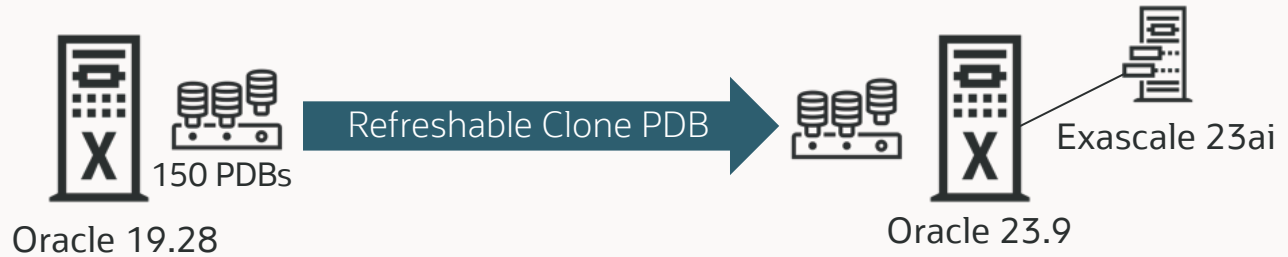
Upgrade

Success?

Remarks

Move to Oracle Database 23ai with ExaScale

- No ASM, no Oracle Database 19c anymore



Customer Case | Techniker Krankenkasse

Customer

Project

Constraints

Preparation

Upgrade

Success?

Remarks

COMPATIBLE=23.0.0

No ASM, no Oracle Database 19c anymore

Data Pump as rollback

Customer Case | Techniker Krankenkasse

Customer

Project

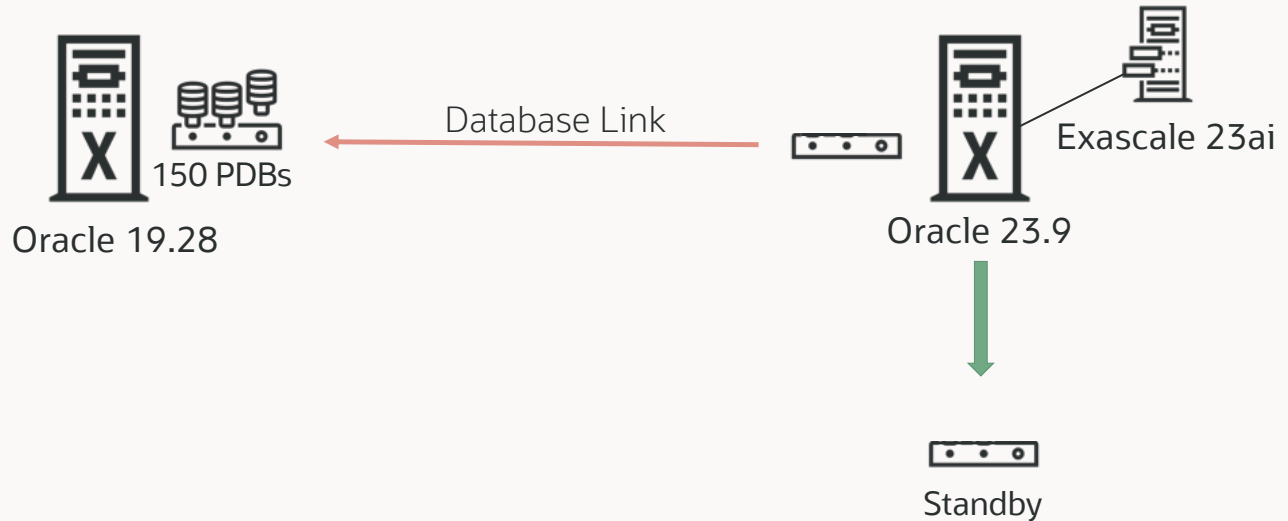
Constraints

Preparation

Upgrade

Success?

Remarks



Customer Case | Techniker Krankenkasse

Customer

Project

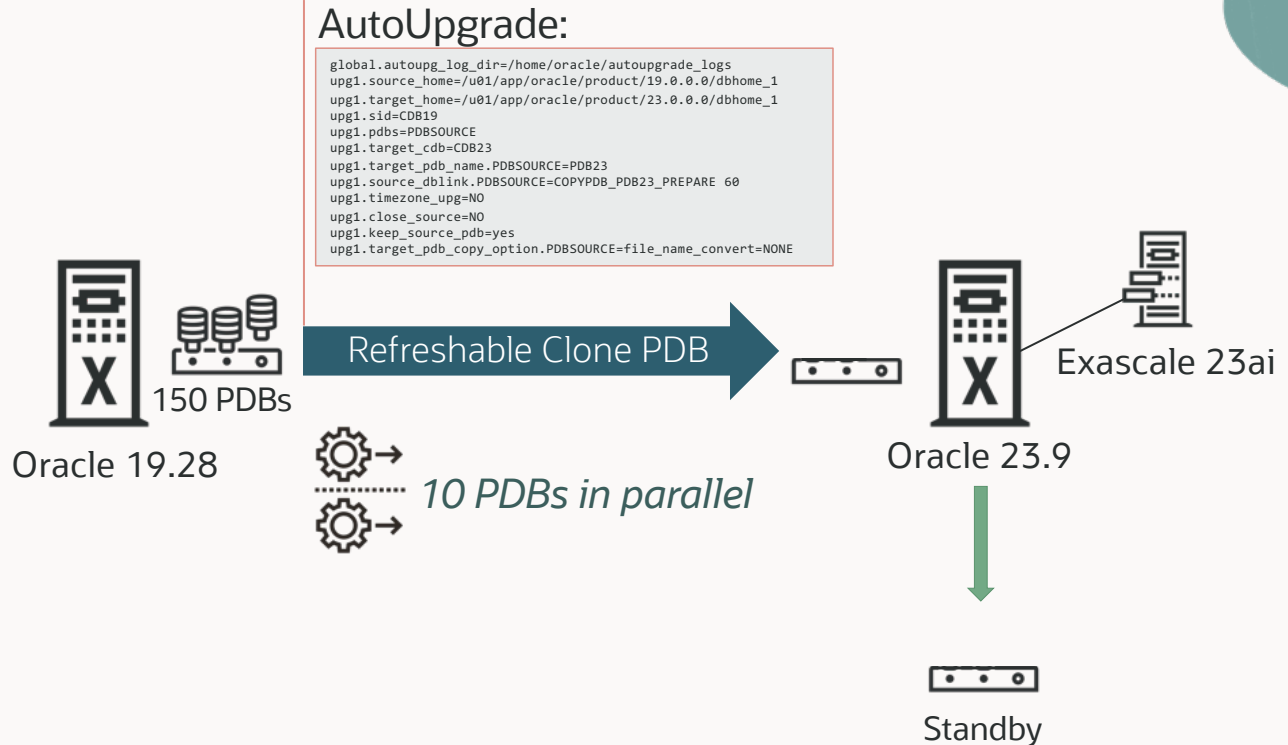
Constraints

Preparation

Upgrade

Success?

Remarks



Customer Case | Techniker Krankenkasse

Customer

Project

Constraints

Preparation

Upgrade

Success?

Remarks



Oracle 19.28



Oracle 23.9

Exascale 23ai



Standby



Customer Case | **Techniker Krankenkasse**

Customer

Project

Constraints

Preparation

Upgrade

Success?

Remarks

Yes!!

- Migrated 150 PDBs from TEST & DEV within less than 4 weeks
- Migration of all Oracle Database 19c instances completed by end of 2025
- Exascale snapshots are super-fast

Customer Case | **Techniker Krankenkasse**

Customer

Project

Constraints

Preparation

Upgrade

Success?

Remarks

Standby building

- There were some issues
- Refreshable Clones don't propagate
- PDB recovery isolation doesn't work as expected

A number of SRs had to be opened for various areas

Optimizer works very well

In the cloud, upgrading Oracle databases
is as **easy** as pressing a button



The **easy** approach



Upgrade entire CDB, including all PDBs



The **fast** approach



Upgrade single PDB

Upgrading in the cloud



Blog post:

[Upgrade Encrypted PDB in Cloud to Oracle AI Database 26ai](#)

Blog post:

[Upgrade Oracle Base Database Service to Oracle AI Database 26ai](#)

Blog post:

[Upgrade from 19c to 26ai using AutoUpgrade –ExaDB-D or ExaC@C – Part 1](#)

Blog post:

[When A Refreshable Clone Takes Over The Service](#)

Blog post:

[Upgrade to Oracle AI Database 26ai](#)

Documentation: [Proceed command](#)





Refreshable clone works only with deferred recovery on standby database

- You must restore the PDB on standby database after disconnect from non-CDB

Multitenant

Create Container Database



1 Character set

2 Components

3 COMPATIBLE



Create Container Database

1 Character set

- Always choose AL32UTF8
- Allows PDBs with any character set

2 Components

3 COMPATIBLE

Database Configuration Assistant - Create 'orcl' database - Step 9 of 15

Specify Configuration Options

ORACLE 26^{ai}
AI Database

Memory | Sizing | **Character sets** | Connection mode

The database character set determines how character data is stored in the database.

Use Unicode (AL32UTF8)
Setting character set to Unicode (AL32UTF8) enables you to store multiple language groups.

Use OS character set (WE8MSWIN1252)
Character set is based on the language setting of this operating system.

Choose from the list of character sets

Database character set: AL32UTF8 - Unicode UTF-8 Universal character set

Show recommended character sets only

National character set: AL16UTF16 - Unicode UTF-16 Universal character set

Default language: American

Default territory: United States

Navigation: Database Operation, Creation Mode, Deployment Type, Database Identification, Storage Option, Fast Recovery Option, Network Configuration, Database Options, Configuration Options, Management Options, User Credentials, Creation Option, Summary, Progress Page, Finish

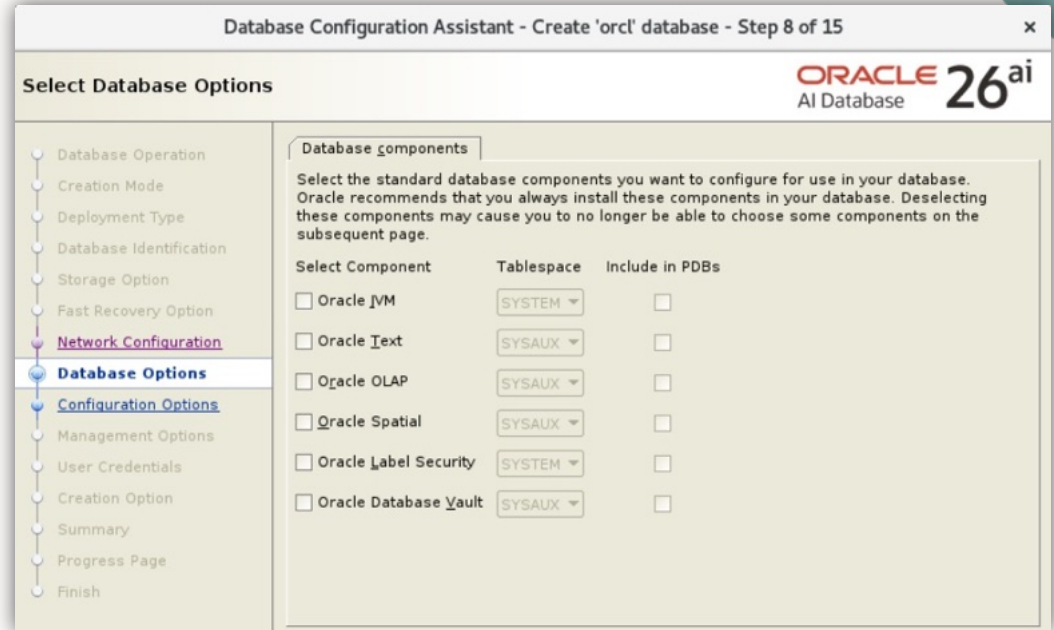
Create Container Database

1 Character set

2 Components

- Install as many as you need
- No more than that

3 COMPATIBLE



Database Configuration Assistant - Create 'orcl' database - Step 8 of 15

ORACLE 26^{ai}
AI Database

Select Database Options

Database components

Select the standard database components you want to configure for use in your database. Oracle recommends that you always install these components in your database. Deselecting these components may cause you to no longer be able to choose some components on the subsequent page.

Select Component	Tablespace	Include in PDBs
<input type="checkbox"/> Oracle JVM	SYSTEM	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Oracle Text	SYSAUX	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Oracle OLAP	SYSAUX	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Oracle Spatial	SYSAUX	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Oracle Label Security	SYSTEM	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Oracle Database Vault	SYSAUX	<input type="checkbox"/>

Create Container Database

1 Character set

2 Components

3 COMPATIBLE

- Keep at **23.6.0** to benefit from AI Vector Search features
- Unless you want the option of downgrade

All initialization parameters

⚠ Update the initialization parameters only when it is required. Refer to the Oracle documentation to learn more about each initialization parameter and its valid set of values.

(Storage related parameter(s) value is shown in MB) Show advanced parameters

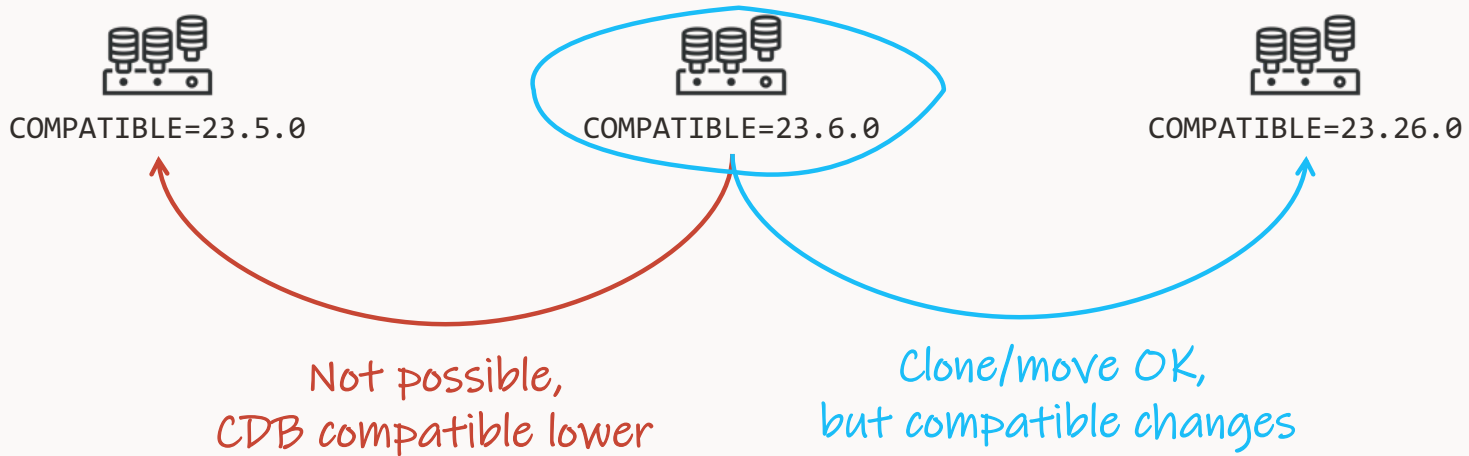
Name	Value	Include in spfile	Category
undo_tablespace	UNDOTBS1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Cluster Database
sga_target	19202	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	SGA Memory
db_block_size (bytes)	8192	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Cache and I/O
nls_language	AMERICAN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NLS
control_files	{* {ORACLE_BASE}/oradata/...	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	File Configuration
remote_login_passwordfile	EXCLUSIVE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Security and Auditing
processes	640	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Processes and Sessions
pga_aggregate_target	6401	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sort, Hash Joins, Bitmap Indexes
nls_territory	AMERICA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NLS
open_cursors	300	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Cursors and Library Cache
db_domain	livelabs.oraclevcn.com	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Database Identification
compatible	23.6.0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Miscellaneous
db_name	orcl	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Database Identification
cluster_database	FALSE	<input type="checkbox"/>	Cluster Database

Description:

compatible: Allows you to use a new release, while at the same time guaranteeing backward compatibility with an earlier release.
Range of Values: Default to current release. Default Value: Release dependent



Compatible





- You can now update the COMPATIBLE parameter without a restart
- Works within a release, e.g., from 23.6.0 to 23.26.0
- Cross-release changes, e.g., 19.0.0 to 23.6.0, still requires a restart

```
alter database set downgrade compatibility to '23.26.0';
```



Further Information

Container Database

YouTube:

[Create CDB in Oracle AI Database](#)

Blog post:

[How I Think You Should Create Your Container Databases](#)



[COMPATIBLE Parameter - Documentation](#)

Blog post:

[Online COMPATIBLE raise starting with 23.9](#)

```
SQL> select con$name, comp_id, status from cdb_registry;
```

CON\$NAME	COMP_ID	STATUS
-----	-----	-----
CDB\$ROOT	CATALOG	VALID
CDB\$ROOT	CATPROC	VALID
CDB\$ROOT	XDB	VALID
RED	CATALOG	VALID
RED	CATPROC	VALID
RED	XDB	VALID

No information on
PDB\$SEED



```
alter system set "_exclude_seed_cdb_view"=false;
```

```
alter system set "_exclude_seed_cdb_view"=false;
```

```
SQL> select con$name, comp_id, status from cdb_registry;
```

CON\$NAME	COMP_ID	STATUS
-----	-----	-----
CDB\$ROOT	CATALOG	VALID
CDB\$ROOT	CATPROC	VALID
CDB\$ROOT	XDB	VALID
PDB\$SEED	CATALOG	VALID
PDB\$SEED	CATPROC	VALID
PDB\$SEED	XDB	VALID
RED	CATALOG	VALID
RED	CATPROC	VALID
RED	XDB	VALID



How does a standby database handle a plug-in operation?

- Take care of your Data Guard during migration

Data Guard



*Plug-in on primary propagates
to standby database via redo*

1 Enabled recovery

2 Deferred recovery



Enabled Recovery

1

Enabled recovery

```
create pluggable database ... standbys=all
```

Standby records PDB creation

Standby locates data files

MRP applies redo to PDB

PDB is immediately protected

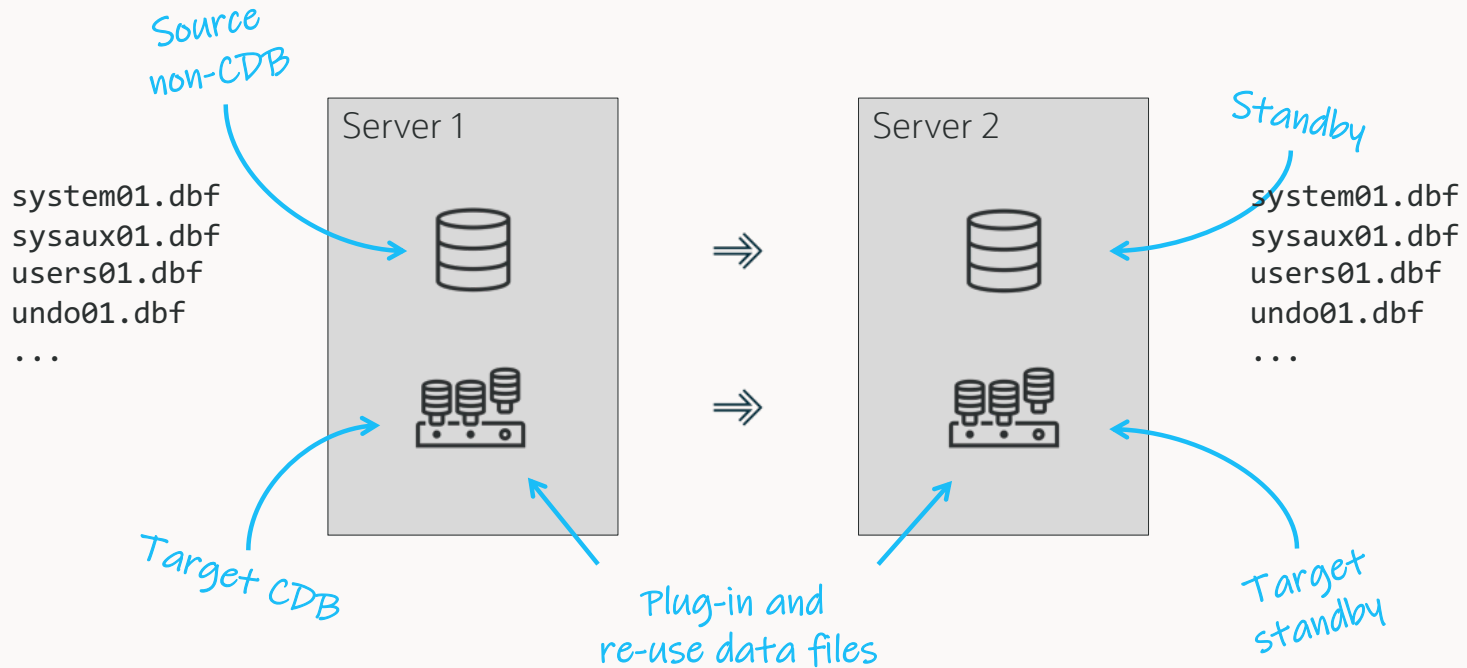
Default

2

Deferred recovery



Enabled Recovery





All data files on primary and standby must be at the same SCN

Enabled Recovery

- The plug-in happens on the primary database
- The plug-in uses the *manifest file*
- The manifest file contains information on data files from the primary database only

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<PDB>
  <xmlversion>1</xmlversion>
  <pdbname>DB12</pdbname>
  <cid>0</cid>
  <byteorder>1</byteorder>
  <vsn>203424000</vsn>
  <vsns>
    <vsnum>12.2.0.1.0</vsnum>
    <cdbcompt>12.2.0.0.0</cdbcompt>
    <pdbcompt>12.2.0.0.0</pdbcompt>
    <vsnlibnum>0.0.0.0.24</vsnlibnum>
    <vsnsql>24</vsnsql>
    <vsnbsv>8.0.0.0.0</vsnbsv>
  </vsns>
  <dbid>1852833295</dbid>
  <ncdb2pdb>1</ncdb2pdb>
  <cdbid>1852833295</cdbid>
  <guid>86D5DC2587337002E0532AB2A8C0A57C</guid>
  <uscnbas>4437941</uscnbas>
  <uscnrwp>0</uscnrwp>
  <undoscn>8</undoscn>
  <rdba>4194824</rdba>
  <tablespace>
    <name>SYSTEM</name>
    <type>0</type>
    <tsn>0</tsn>
    <status>1</status>
    <issft>0</issft>
    <isnft>0</isnft>
    <encts>0</encts>
    <flags>0</flags>
    <bmunitsize>8</bmunitsize>
  <file>
    <path>/u02/oradata/DB12/system01.dbf</path>
    <afn>1</afn>
    <rfn>1</rfn>
```

Enabled Recovery

- The plug-in happens on the primary database
- The plug-in uses the *manifest file*
- The manifest file contains information on data files from the primary database only

How does the standby database know which files to plug in?

Enabled Recovery

How does the standby database know which files to plug in?

- 1 Regular files
- 2 OMF in regular file system
- 3 ASM



Enabled Recovery

1 Regular files

- Standby search for data files at the same location as the primary
- Override with `DB_FILE_NAME_CONVERT`
- Or, override with `STANDBY_PDB_SOURCE_FILE_DIRECTORY`

Enabled Recovery

2 OMF in regular file system

- Standby search for data files at the OMF location (`DB_CREATE_FILE_DEST`)
- Move data files from non-CDB location into OMF location
- Or, create soft links in OMF location pointing to data file location



Enabled Recovery

3 ASM

- Standby search for data files at the OMF location (`DB_CREATE_FILE_DEST`)
- Use ASM aliases to find data files at non-CDB OMF location



Enabled Recovery | ASM

Primary



Standby



```
SQL> select name from v$datafile;  
  
NAME  
-----  
+DATA/DB_BOSTON/DATAFILE/system.269.1103046537  
+DATA/DB_BOSTON/DATAFILE/sysaux.270.1103046537  
+DATA/DB_BOSTON/DATAFILE/users.273.1103046827
```

```
SQL> select name from v$datafile;  
  
NAME  
-----  
+DATA/DB_CHICAGO/DATAFILE/system.265.1103050007  
+DATA/DB_CHICAGO/DATAFILE/sysaux.266.1103050007  
+DATA/DB_CHICAGO/DATAFILE/users.269.1103050009
```

Same file,
but different name

Enabled Recovery | ASM

19c
Non-CDB
Primary



19c
Non-CDB
Standby



The manifest file contains

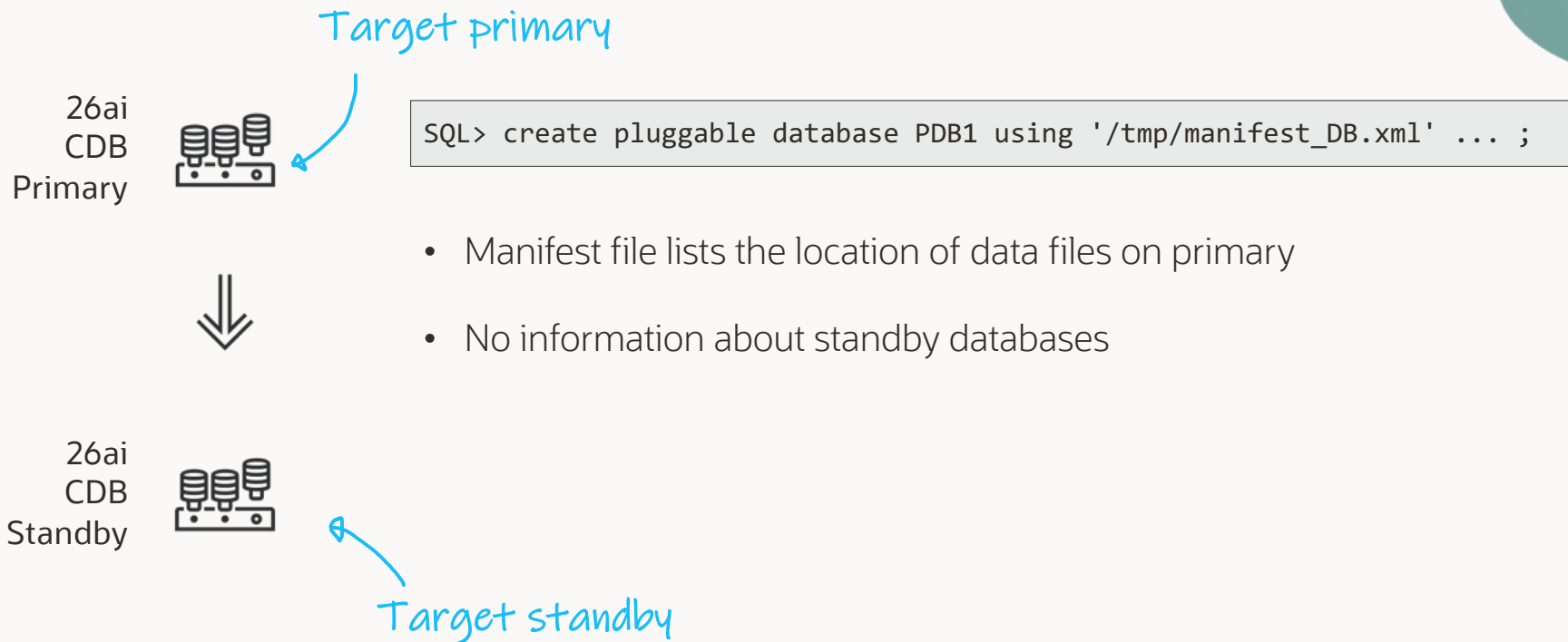
```
SQL> exec dbms_pdb.describe('/tmp/manifest_DB.xml');
```

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/DATAFILE/users.273.1103046827</path>
```

Enabled Recovery | ASM



Enabled Recovery | ASM

26ai
CDB
Primary



26ai
CDB
Standby



+DATA/DB_BOSTON/DATAFILE/users.273.1103046827

Redo record says:
Plug in this data file

No good, data file
has a different name

+DATA/DB_CHICAGO/DATAFILE/users.269.1103050009

Enabled Recovery | ASM

26ai
CDB
Primary



+DATA/DB_BOSTON/DATAFILE/users.273.1103046827



26ai
CDB
Standby



OK, let's check the OMF directory

+DATA/DB_CHICAGO/DATAFILE/users.269.1103050009

+DATA/CDB1_CHICAGO/<PDB_GUID>/DATAFILE

It's empty



Could I just move the file in ASM??



There's no `move` command in ASM.
But you can create *aliases*

- Similar to file system soft links

```
SQL> alter diskgroup data add alias
'+DATA/DB_CHICAGO/DATAFILE/users.269.1103050009'
for
'+DATA/CDB1_CHICAGO/<PDB_GUID>/DATAFILE/users.269.1103050009':
```

Non-CDB standby data file



```
SQL> alter diskgroup data add alias  
      '+DATA/DB_CHICAGO/DATAFILE/users.269.1103050009'  
for  
      '+DATA/CDB1_CHICAGO/<PDB_GUID>/DATAFILE/users.269.1103050009':
```



```
SQL> alter diskgroup data add alias  
      '+DATA/DB_CHICAGO/DATAFILE/users.269.1103050009'  
for  
      '+DATA/CDB1_CHICAGO/<PDB_GUID>/DATAFILE/users.269.1103050009':
```



Standby PDB OMF location



```
SQL> alter diskgroup data add alias
      '+DATA/DB_CHICAGO/DATAFILE/users.269.1103050009'
for
      '+DATA/CDB1_CHICAGO/<PDB_GUID>/DATAFILE/users.269.1103050009' :
```



Name does not matter.
Standby scans all files in OMF directory



Data Guard | Re-use Data Files

26ai
CDB
Primary



26ai
CDB
Standby



- Standby database scans its own OMF directory for data files
- Standby ignores file names and look at file headers
- Standby will find aliases and find the real file locations



Data Guard | Re-use Data Files

Primary



Standby



Looking for file like on primary



```
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_CHICAGO/DATAFILE/users.269.1103050009
```



Follows alias and finds the real file





What happens with enabled recovery if the standby fails to find the data files?

Enabled Recovery | Missing Data Files

What if a standby database fails to find data files?

- If Active Data Guard and PDB Recovery Isolation is turned on
 - New feature in Oracle Database 21c
 - Recovery disabled for PDB
 - Recovery proceeds in the entire CDB, except in specific PDB
 - Standby automatically restores data files from primary and re-enables recovery afterward
 - PDB protected after auto-restore
- If not, recovery halts in the **entire** CDB
 - **This is a critical situation**





What about AutoUpgrade
and enabled recovery?

----- Continue with the manual steps -----

There is a job with manual steps pending.

The checkpoint change number is 2723057 for database DB19.

For the standby database <DB19_AARHUS>, use the checkpoint number <2723057> to recover the database.

You can find the SCN information in:

/home/oracle/autoupgrade/upgrade26/DB19/101/drain/scn.json

Once these manual steps are completed, you can resume job 101



Deferred Recovery

1

Enabled recovery

```
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```

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PDB is immediately protected

2

Deferred recovery

```
create pluggable database ... standbys=none
```

Standby records PDB creation

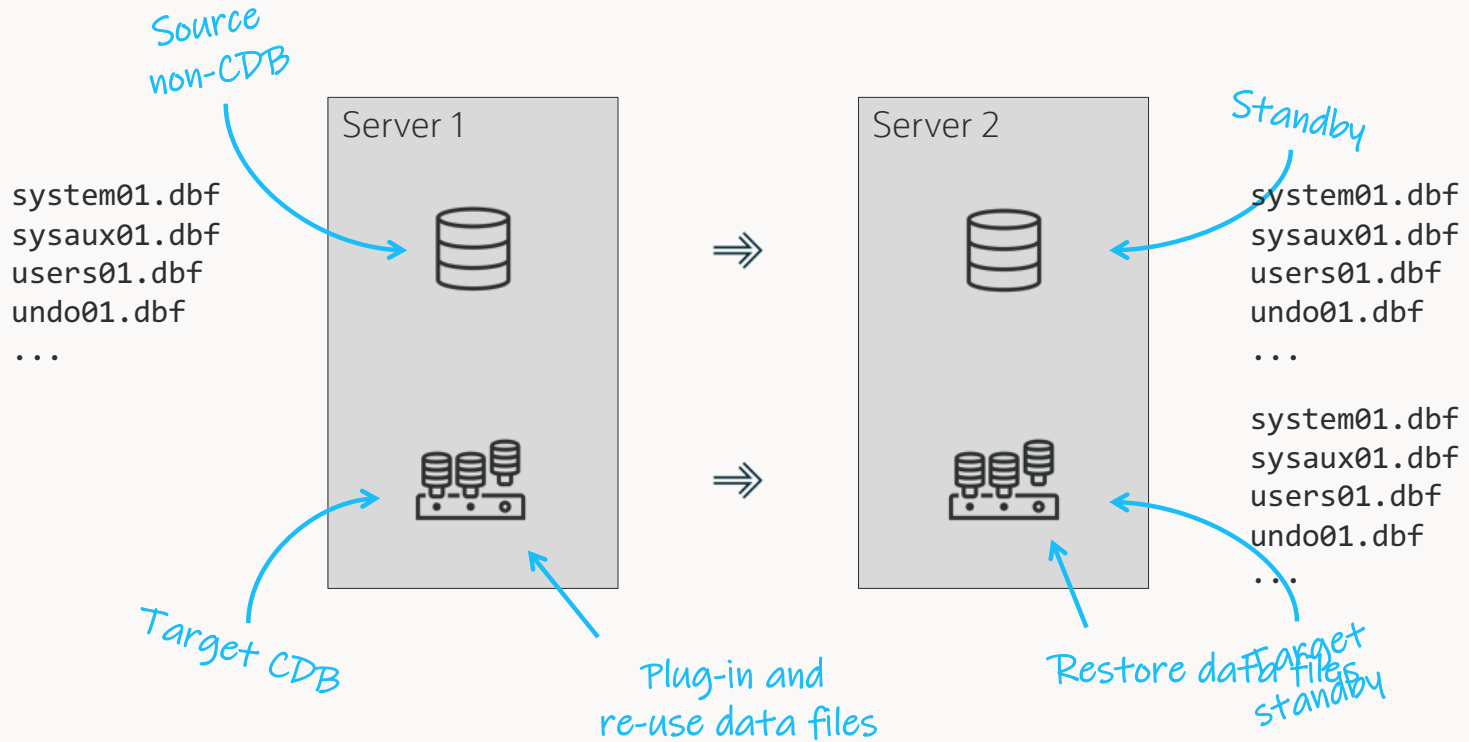
Standby ignores data files

MRP skips redo

PDB protected after restore



Deferred Recovery



Deferred Recovery



Source
Non-CDB



Target
Primary

```
SQL> create pluggable database ...  
standbys=none;
```



Target
Standby

Deferred Recovery



```
SQL> create pluggable database ...  
standbys=none;
```



PDB created
Data files missing



Deferred Recovery



```
SQL> show pdbs
```

CON_NAME	OPEN MODE
PDB1	READ WRITE

```
SQL> show pdbs
```

CON_NAME	OPEN MODE
PDB1	MOUNTED

Deferred Recovery



```
SQL> select name, recovery_status  
       from v$pdb;
```

NAME	RECOVERY_STATUS
PDB1	DISABLED

Deferred Recovery



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

```
SQL> alter pluggable database  
enable recovery;
```

```
SQL> alter database datafile  
... online;
```

Deferred Recovery



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

```
SQL> alter pluggable database  
enable recovery;
```

```
SQL> alter database datafile  
... online;
```

- Automated process in Oracle Database 21c
- PDB Recovery Isolation
- Requires Active Data Guard

Further Details

Multitenant Conversion



- [Move to Oracle Database 23ai – Everything you need to know about Oracle Multitenant – Part 1](#)



Don't jeopardize your Data Guard

- Test the procedure and verify your environment



Operations





Share resources between PDBs

Resource Consolidation

Non-CDB
database



Memory



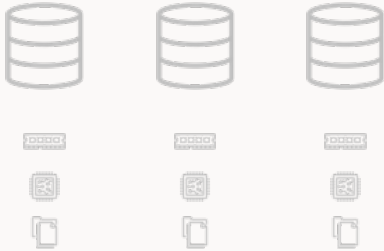
Background processes



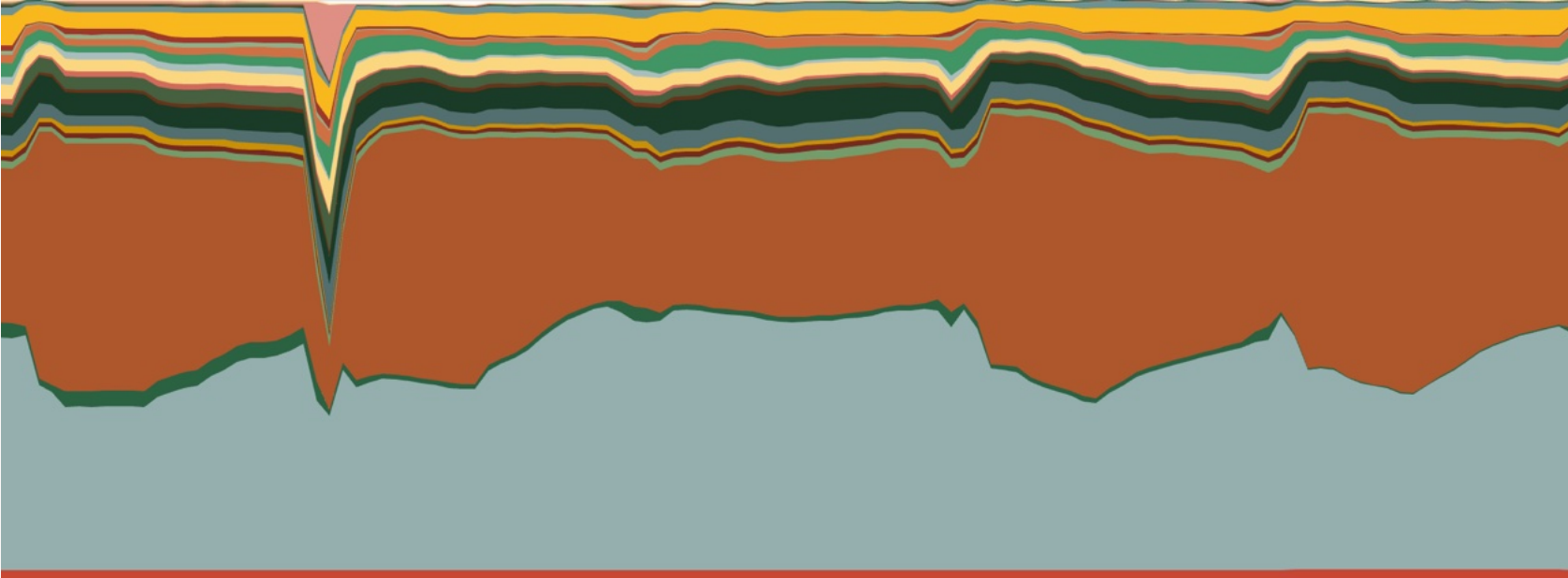
Files



Resource Consolidation



Resource Consolidation



Consolidation Strategies?

There is no "*best*" strategy



Don't mix PDBs with different SLAs

Total memory consumption minus 20%-30%

Increase consolidation factor slowly

Constrain PDBs with instance caging (CPU_COUNT)



Be open to start with a completely new naming schema

Using a Swingbench benchmark,
a single-core machine could host **nine non-CDBs**
before reaching 75 % CPU utilization

By going multitenant the number of databases reached **123 PDBs**

A US Health Care provider managed to

- Reduce the number of database instances by 7x
- Reduce the number of physical servers by 50%



You can run multiple CDBs on the same host and out of the same Oracle home

Consolidation



Schema consolidation



Virtual Private Database



PDB consolidation

- Less complexity
- Better isolation
- Operational benefits
- Easier cloning



A global provider of financial services states

*The multitenant architecture gives us **complete client separation out of the box**, without having to maintain a Virtual Private Database setup.*

We went away from Virtual Private Database and consolidated our different clients in individual PDBs.

*This reduced the complexity of our database implementation and **made operations much easier**.*



Avoid noisy neighbors

- Allow sharing resources
but everyone must get a fair share

Method 1



Instance caging

- Most simple
- Define `CPU_COUNT` for each PDB
- Hard limit

Method 1



8 CPUs



CPU_COUNT=3



CPU_COUNT=2



CPU_COUNT=2

←
All non-CDBs
share 7 CPU



Method 1



8 CPUs



CPU_COUNT=7

CDB never uses more than 7 CPUs,
despite sum of PDBs
At peak, use more resources,
but never deplete the CDB



CPU_COUNT=4



CPU_COUNT=4

PDBs might fight over CPUs,
but each process gets a fair share



CPU_COUNT=4



Method 2



Memory allocation

- Simple
- Define `SGA_TARGET` for each PDB
- Hard limit



Method 2



8 GB memory



SGA_TARGET=7G



SGA_TARGET=4G



SGA_TARGET=4G



SGA_TARGET=4G

PDB may never use more than 4G of shared memory



If all PDBs are active, cache management comes into play





Requires use of Automatic Shared Memory Management

- Both in CDB and PDB



Optionally, allocate minimum shared pool and buffer cache for a PDB

- Use `SHARED_POOL_SIZE` and `DB_CACHE_SIZE`



You can combine method 1 and 2

- Instance caging and memory allocation

Method 3



Simple Resource Manager

- Elaborate, yet simple to implement
- Enable CDB resource manager
- Allocate minimum shares instead of hard limits
- For advanced use cases

Method 3



8 CPUs



CPU_COUNT=7



CPU_MIN_COUNT=2



CPU_MIN_COUNT=1



CPU_MIN_COUNT=1

At peak, may use up to 5 CPUs

4 CPUs are reserved,
3 are free for all



Method 3



8 GB memory



SGA_TARGET=7G



SGA_MIN_SIZE=2G

*At peak, may use
up to 4G shared memory*



SGA_MIN_SIZE=1G



SGA_MIN_SIZE=1G





Requires Resource Manager at root level

```
alter session set container=cdb$root;
```

```
-- Create an empty resource manager plan with no directives
```

```
exec dbms_resource_manager.clear_pending_area;
```

```
exec dbms_resource_manager.create_pending_area;
```

```
exec dbms_resource_manager.create_cdb_plan('CDB_PLAN');
```

```
exec dbms_resource_manager.validate_pending_area;
```

```
exec dbms_resource_manager.submit_pending_area;
```

```
-- Make plan active in root to enable CDB resource manager
```

```
alter system set resource_manager_plan=CDB_PLAN;
```



Method 4

Advanced Resource Manager



- Requires additional configuration, but much greater control
- Use directives instead of shares



You can still control resources inside a PDB with Resource Manager



What about I/O?

- Exadata I/O Resource Management
- Or `MAX_MBPS` and `MAX_IOPS`



You can run multiple CDBs on the same host and out of the same Oracle home

Inter-instance Resource Management

Shares resources like with non-CDBs:

- CPU_COUNT
- SGA_MAX_SIZE

Inter-instance CPU resource manager:

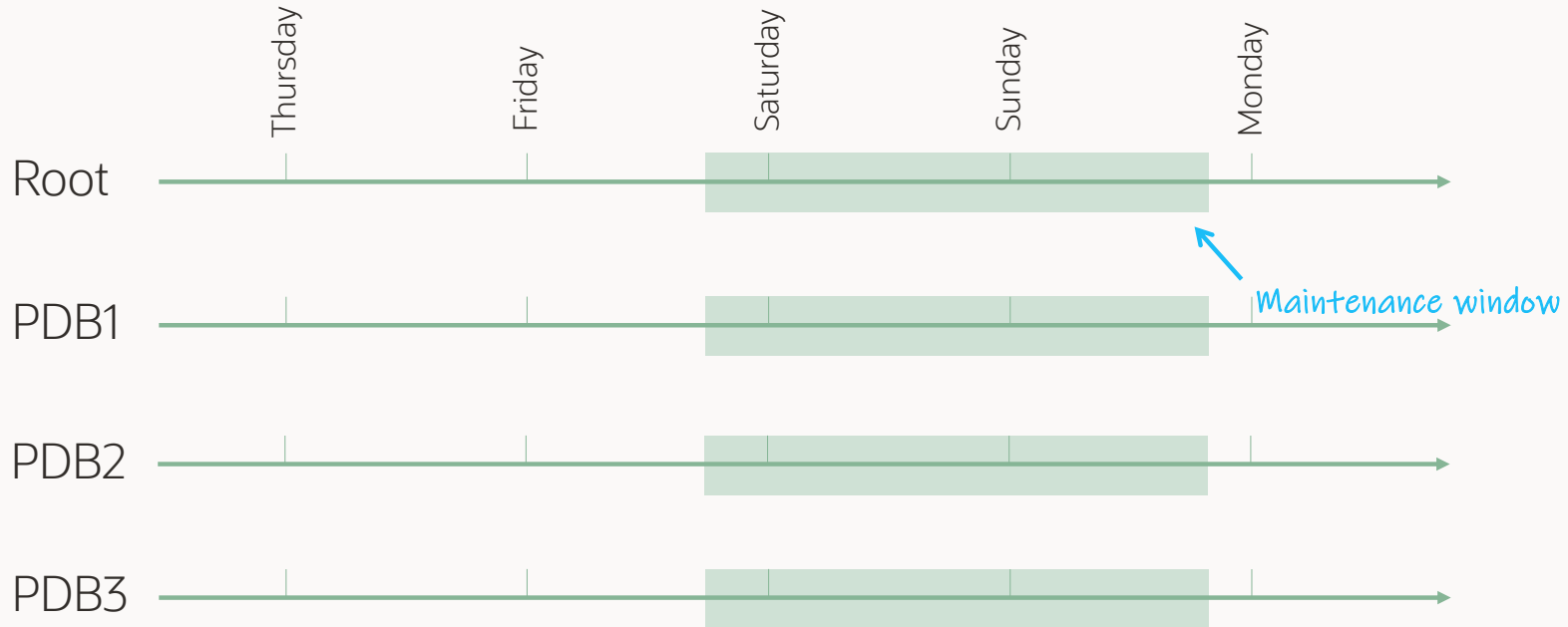
- Controls resource sharing using Linux c-groups
- Check [RESOURCE MANAGER CPU SCOPE](#)
- Exadata Database Machine and Autonomous AI Database



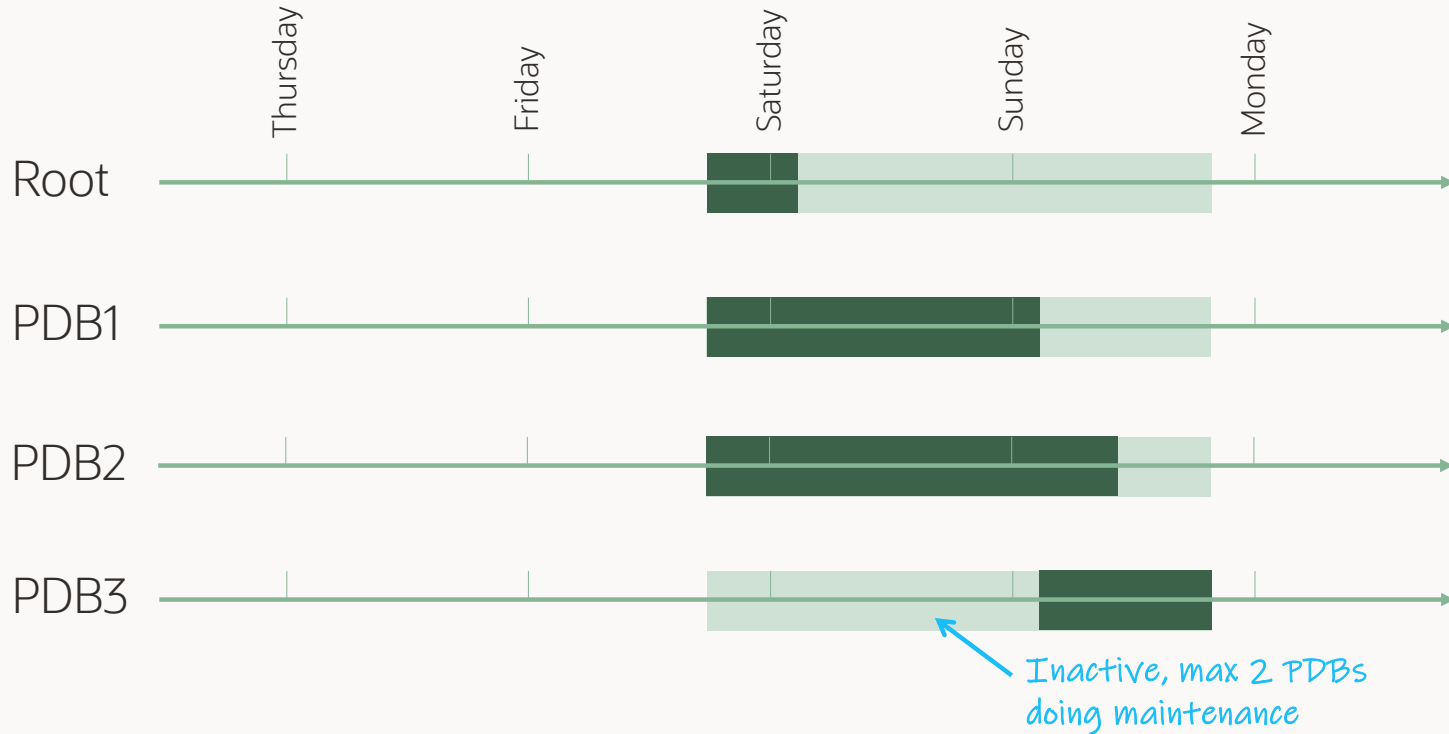


A word about automated maintenance tasks

Automated Maintenance Tasks



Automated Maintenance Tasks

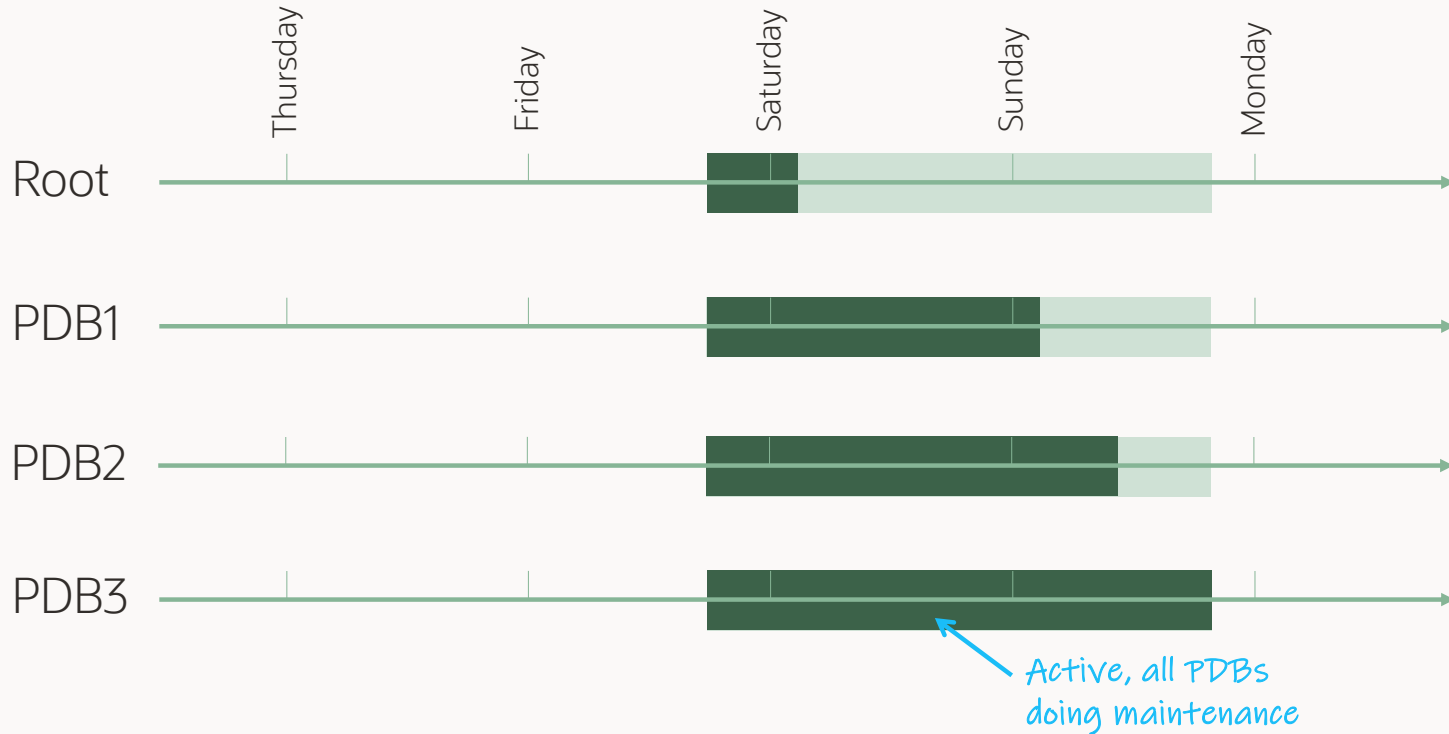


--Change the amount of PDBs that can run maintenance tasks at the same time
--Default value 2

```
alter system set autotask_max_active_pdb=3;
```



Automated Maintenance Tasks

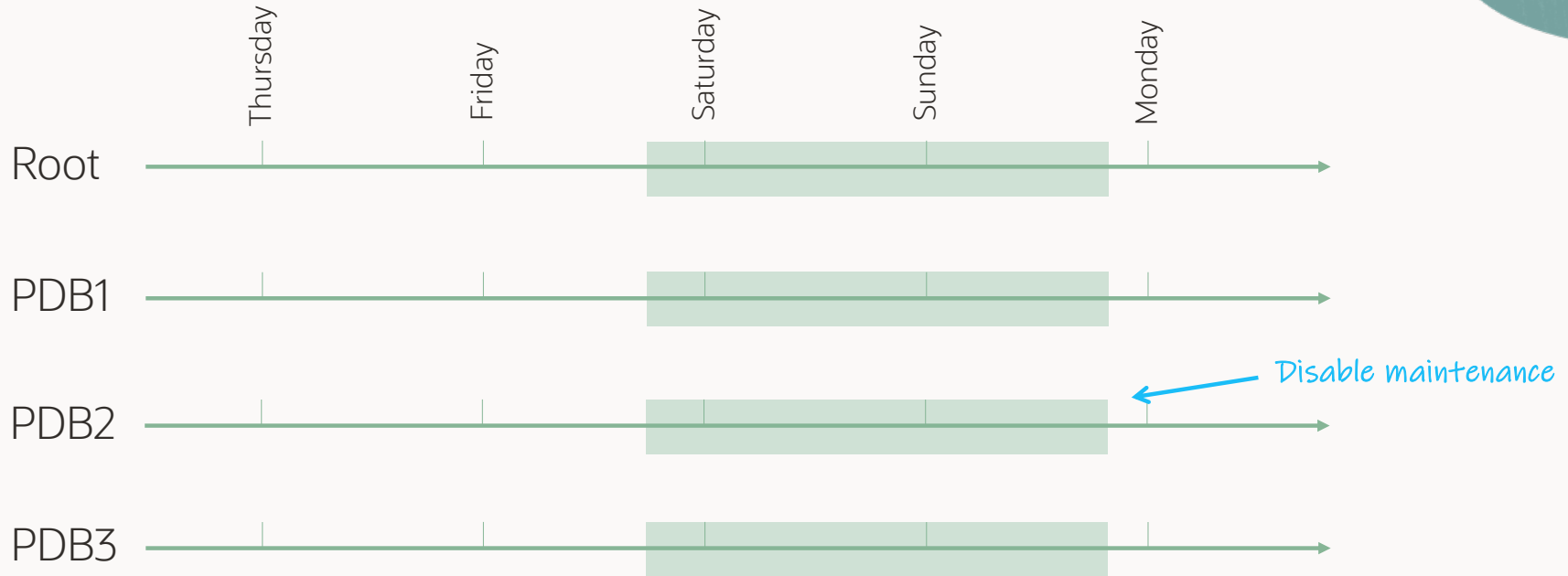


--Selectively disable maintenance tasks in a PDB
--For instance, test databases or databases that are rebuilt frequently

```
alter session set container=PDB2;  
alter system set enable_automatic_maintenance_pdb=false;
```



Automated Maintenance Tasks

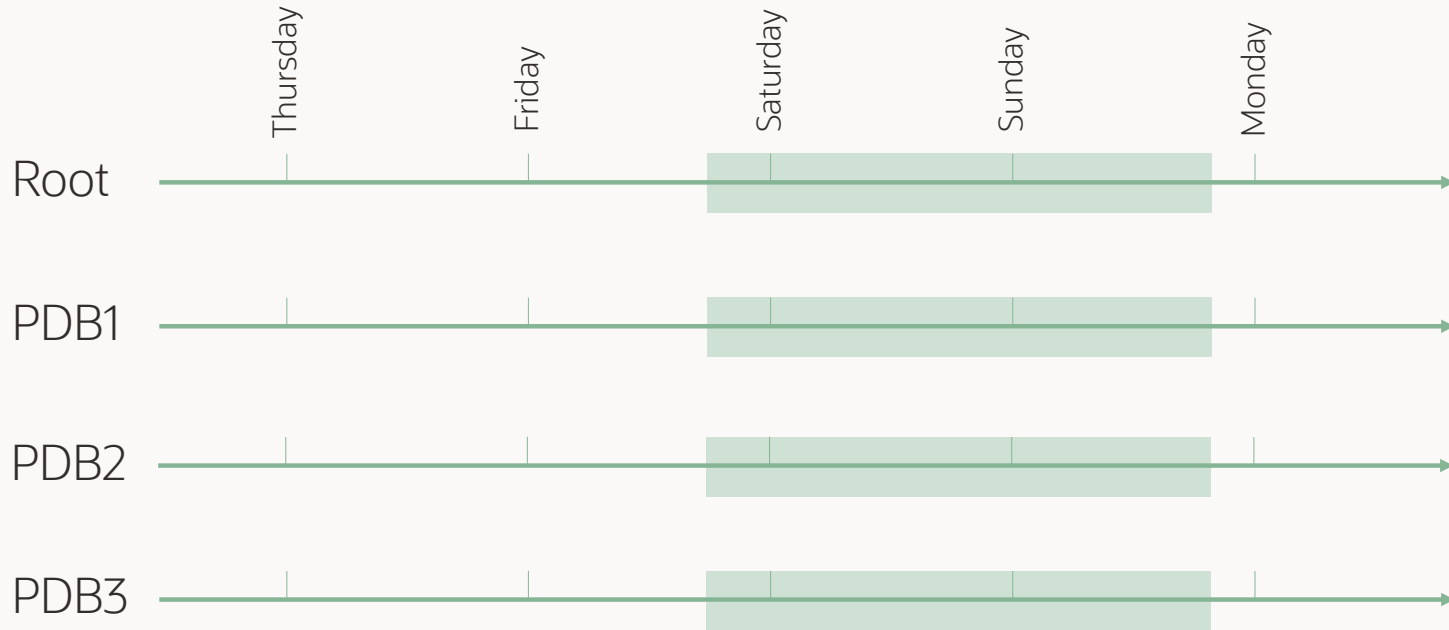




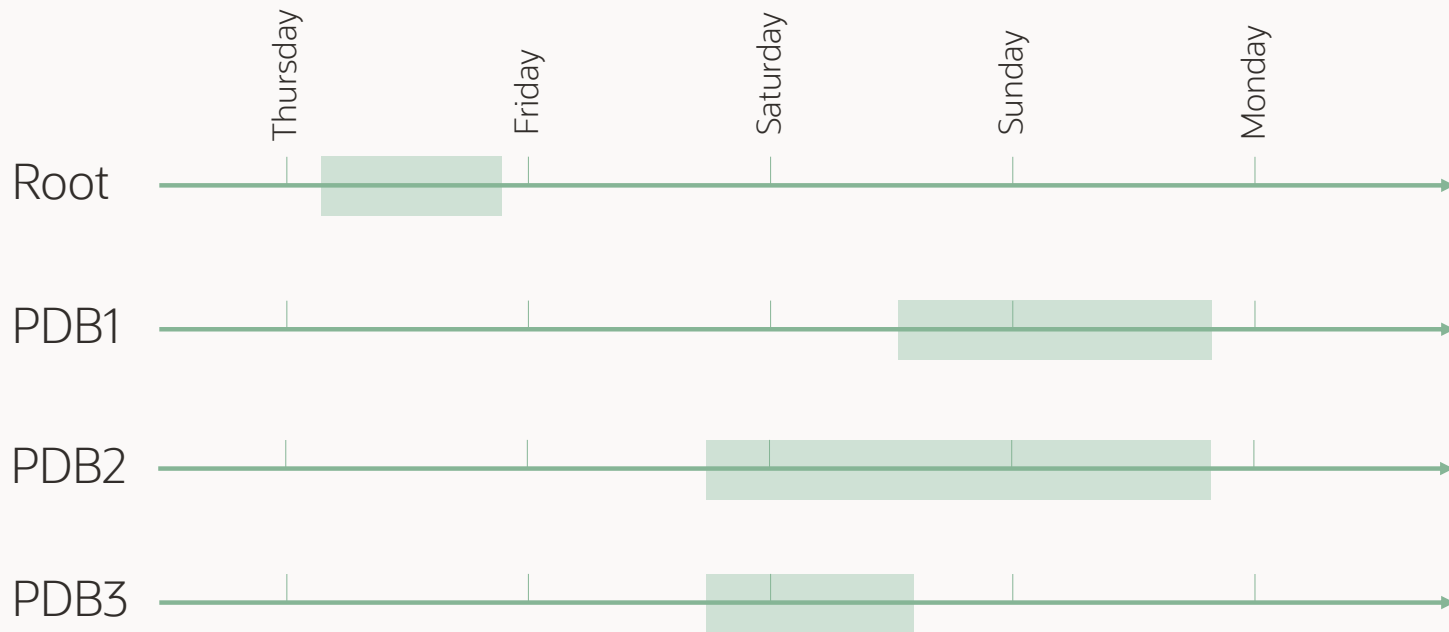
Shift maintenance windows

- Optionally, shorten maintenance windows

Automated Maintenance Tasks



Automated Maintenance Tasks





Selectively disable individual maintenance tasks using `DBMS_AUTO_TASK_ADMIN`

- Does a test database need Automatic Segment Advisor?
- Or Evolve Advisor?



Resource Manager prevents maintenance tasks from *stealing* resources from users

- Consumer group `ORA$AUTOTASK`

Key Learnings



- 1 Get started with Multitenant
- 2 Understand plug-in on standby databases
- 3 Finetune your container database



Lunch Break

We will start again at 13:30

Data Pump Top Tips

Supercharge data loading/unloading



Always use the Data Pump Bundle Patch



More than 230 functional
and performance fixes

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

A global provider of financial services



Apply the Data Pump Bundle Patch
without downtime

DEMO

Apply Data Pump Bundle Patch

 [Watch on YouTube](#)

Further Information | Data Pump Bundle Patch

[\(KB107134\)](#)

[Data Pump Recommended Proactive Patches For 19.10 and Above](#)



The patch is not RAC rolling installable

- The patch is non-binary online installable
- Apply while the database instance is running
- Don't use Data Pump or DBMS_METADATA





Use PARALLEL and multiple dump files



--Apply parallelism by simply specifying a degree

```
expdp ... parallel=8
```

--Use different parallel degree on import

```
impdp ... parallel=32
```





Oracle Cloud Infrastructure

Number of ECPUs / 4

Number of OCPUs



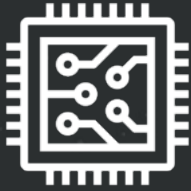
On-prem (x86-64)

2 x physical cores



On-prem (other)

Depends



Use at least 32 ECPUs when importing into Autonomous AI Database

- Use the elasticity in Autonomous AI Database and scale even higher

Parallel Architecture

```
expdp ... parallel=4
```

Parallel Architecture



Control process

Worker processes



Parallel Architecture

```
expdp ... parallel=4
```



```
select /*+ parallel(2) */ * from t1
```

```
select * from t2
```

```
select * from t3
```

```
select * from t4
```

Worker 4 goes idle

Control process

Worker processes



--Use %L to allow multiple dump files
expdp ... parallel=8 dumpfile=exp%L.dmp

--Split dump files into minor files for easier transport
expdp ... parallel=8 dumpfile=exp%L.dmp **filesize=10000M**



```
-- After export, store a checksum in the dump file.  
-- Detects in-flight corruption or alteration.  
-- Specify other algorithms using checksum_algorithm parameter.
```

```
expdp ... checksum=yes
```

```
impdp ... verify_checksum=yes  
         verify_only=yes
```



For **best protection** against dump file tampering, use encrypted dump files

- Requires Advanced Security Option

- Protect your dump files from alteration by using encryption
- Creating an encrypted dump file requires a license for ASO

```
expdp ... encryption=all encryption_algorithm=AES256
```

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```
expdp ... encryption=all encryption_algorithm=AES256
```

DEMO

Encrypted exports

 [Watch on YouTube](#)



Transportable jobs **can** use parallel metadata from Oracle Database 21c

- But you need to specify **PARALLEL**

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

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

```
impdp ... parallel=16
```

Parallel Transportable Benchmark

Oracle E-Business Suite database

600.000+ objects

Export parallel 1

2h 2m

Export parallel 16

1h 8m

Import parallel 1

6h 44m

Import parallel 16

1h 23m

Total

8h 46m

Total

2h 31m



Speed up imports by using
NOVALIDATE constraints

A Constraint Can Be

VALIDATED

All data in the table obeys the constraint.
The database guarantees that data is good.

NOT VALIDATED

All data in the table **may** obey the constraint.
The database **does not know** if data is good.



Most constraints are **VALIDATED**



On import, Data Pump creates constraints
in the same state as in the source

--Example of which commands Data Pump import might execute as part of an import

```
create table sales ( .... );
```

```
insert into sales as select ... ;
```

```
alter table sales add constraint c_sales_1 check (c1 in (0,1)) enable validate;
```

```
alter table sales add constraint c_sales_2 check (c2 in ('A','B')) enable validate;
```

```
alter table sales add constraint c_sales_3 check (c3 > 0) enable validate;
```

Recursive full table scan

Recursive full table scan

Recursive full table scan





- Add constraints with NOVALIDATE keyword regardless of state in source database
- Significantly speeds up add constraints for larger tables

`impdp ... transform=constraint_novalidate:y`



--Transforming constraints to NOVALIDATE to speed up import

```
alter table sales add constraint c_sales_1 check (c1 in (0,1)) enable novalidate;  
alter table sales add constraint c_sales_2 check (c2 in ('A','B')) enable novalidate;  
alter table sales add constraint c_sales_3 check (c3 > 0) enable novalidate;
```

No full table scan



--Transforming constraints to NOVALIDATE to speed up import

```
alter table sales add constraint c_sales_1 check (c1 in (0,1)) enable novalidate;  
alter table sales add constraint c_sales_2 check (c2 in ('A','B')) enable novalidate;  
alter table sales add constraint c_sales_3 check (c3 > 0) enable novalidate;
```

Database validates new rows



Benchmark, 1 billion rows

Importing VALIDATE constraints

```
10-AUG-24 00:32:28.716: W-1 Processing object type TABLE_EXPORT/TABLE/TABLE_DATA
10-AUG-24 00:36:42.762: W-1 . . imported "FUSION"."hwr_topic_t1" 151.2 GB 1044625000 rows in 254 seconds using external_table
10-AUG-24 00:45:41.226: W-1 Processing object type TABLE_EXPORT/TABLE/CONSTRAINT/CONSTRAINT
10-AUG-24 00:55:35.787: W-1      Completed 7 CONSTRAINT objects in 594 seconds
```

Importing NOVALIDATE constraints

```
10-AUG-24 00:14:56.050: W-1 Processing object type TABLE_EXPORT/TABLE/TABLE_DATA
10-AUG-24 00:19:10.311: W-1 . . imported "FUSION"."hwr_topic_t1" 151.2 GB 1044625000 rows in 254 seconds using external_table
10-AUG-24 00:29:20.841: W-1 Processing object type TABLE_EXPORT/TABLE/CONSTRAINT/CONSTRAINT
10-AUG-24 00:29:21.101: W-1      Completed 7 CONSTRAINT objects in 1 seconds
```

Real-World Example, Importing 180G Schema

Starting point	44m 50s
Adding Data Pump Bundle Patch	36m 53s
Using NOVALIDATE constraints	7m 25s





NOVALIDATE constraints prevent the optimizer from certain **query rewrites**

Validate constraints after import, or even after go-live

- Still requires a full scan of the table
- But can [use parallel query](#)
- And **no** table lock!

```
alter table sales add constraint c_sales_1 check (c1 in (0,1)) enable novalidate;
```

```
-----
```

```
----- GO LIVE -----
```

```
-----
```

```
-- Validate constraints
```

```
-- Optionally, use parallel query
```

```
alter session force parallel query;
```

```
alter table sales modify constraint c_sales_1 enable validate;
```





Also available in Oracle Database 19c
via 19.27 Data Pump Bundle Patch



Also available in
Oracle Autonomous AI Database 19c



```
--Add the following to your ZDM response file to set the parameter during  
--ADB migrations using ZDM
```

```
DATAPUMPSETTINGS_METADATATRANSFORMS-1=name:CONSTRAINT_NOVALIDATE,value:1
```



Further Information | NOVALIDATE Constraints



- 19.26 and earlier also requires patch 37280692
- Allow optimizer to perform query rewrites even with NOVALIDATE constraints using [QUERY REWRITE INTEGRITY](#)
- Data Pump always validates certain constraints:
 - On DEFAULT ON NULL columns
 - Used by a reference partitioned table
 - Used by a reference partitioned child table
 - Table with Primary key OID
 - Used as clustering key on a clustered table



NOVALIDATE Constraints

- Available in Database Migration Service (DMS)
- In the OCI console, Advanced parameters > DATAPUMPSETTINGS: [Metadata Transforms](#)

The screenshot displays the OCI console interface for editing migration settings. On the left, the 'Edit initial load settings' page is shown with 'Metadata Transforms' highlighted in the 'Advanced parameters' section. The right pane provides detailed information for the 'F.28 DATAPUMPSETTINGS_METADATATRANSFORMS_LIST_ELEMENT_NUMBER' parameter.

F.28 DATAPUMPSETTINGS_METADATATRANSFORMS_LIST_ELEMENT_NUMBER

Defines the name, the object type, and the value for the Data Pump METADATA_TRANSFORMS property.

To add multiple filters, increment the integer appended to the parameter name, as shown in the examples below.

```
DATAPUMPSETTINGS_METADATATRANSFORMS-1=name%table, objectType=object  
DATAPUMPSETTINGS_METADATATRANSFORMS-2=name%table, objectType=object
```

See [Transforms Provided by the METADATA_TRANSFORM Procedure](#) for more information.

Parameter Relationships

The optional DATAPUMPSETTINGS_* parameters let you customize Oracle Data Pump Export and import jobs.

Property	Description
Syntax	<code>DATAPUMPSETTINGS_METADATATRANSFORMS- LIST_ELEMENT_NUMBER = name :name%table, objectType=objectType, value%value</code>
Default value	There is no default value.
Range of values	An entry specifying the name, type, and value is expected, as shown in the examples above.
Required	No
Modifiable on Resume	No

Usage Notes

You can set `OBJECT_STORAGE_CLAUSE` to `'BINARY_XML'`. `DATAPUMPSETTINGS_METADATATRANSFORMS-1=name%TABLE_STORAGE_CLAUSE, value='BINARY_XML'`. With this enhancement all XML types can be converted as part of the migration.





Use index size to determine
parallel degree on index creation

Index Creation

```
impdp ... parallel=16
```

Before 12.1

```
Worker 1      CREATE INDEX .... PARALLEL 16
```

Really good for few big indexes



Index Creation

```
impdp ... parallel=16
```

From 12.1

Worker 1	CREATE INDEX PARALLEL 1
Worker 2	CREATE INDEX PARALLEL 1
...	CREATE INDEX PARALLEL 1
Worker 16	CREATE INDEX PARALLEL 1

Really good for many small indexes



Index Creation

```
impdp ... parallel=16
```

From 26

Worker 1	CREATE INDEX PARALLEL 1
Worker 2	CREATE INDEX PARALLEL 8
Worker 3	CREATE INDEX PARALLEL 4
Worker 4	CREATE INDEX PARALLEL 3

The best of both worlds



How Data Pump Create Indexes

- 1 Calculate the optimal parallel degree
- 2 Create indexes



How Data Pump Create Indexes

1 Calculate the optimal parallel degree

- Always parallel 1 when a table is less than 150 MB
- Customizable via `INDEX_THRESHOLD`
- Get optimal parallel degree using `EXPLAIN PLAN`

```
SQL> explain plan for create index i1 on t1(c1) parallel;
```

Explained.

```
SQL> explain plan for create index i1 on t1(c1) parallel;
```

```
Explained.
```

```
SQL> select * from table(dbms_xplan.display(format => 'ALL'));
```

```
...
```

Note

```
-----
```

- automatic DOP: Computed Degree of Parallelism is 4 because of degree limit
- estimated index size: 655K bytes

How Data Pump Create Indexes

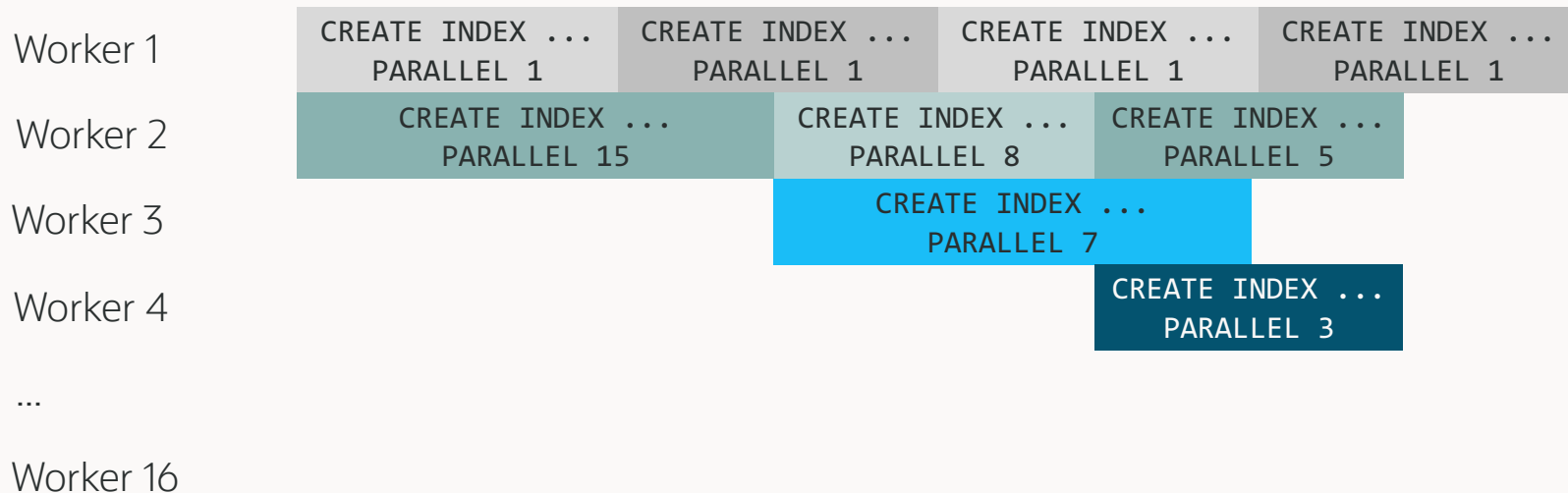
2 Create indexes

- One worker creates small indexes (parallel 1) in large batches
- The next worker starts with the biggest index (measured by optimal parallel degree)



How Data Pump Create Indexes

```
impdp ... parallel=16
```



Importing with former index method

```
10-MAY-25 16:18:55.130: W-12 Processing object type SCHEMA_EXPORT/TABLE/INDEX/INDEX
10-MAY-25 16:36:46.902: W-30      Completed 480 INDEX objects in 1071 seconds
```

Importing with new index method

```
10-MAY-25 16:47:50.267: W-4 Processing object type SCHEMA_EXPORT/TABLE/INDEX/INDEX
10-MAY-25 16:59:17.006: W-3      Completed 480 INDEX objects in 686 seconds
```

Further Information | Index Creation

- Requires:
 - Oracle AI Database 26ai
 - Oracle Database 23.8 plus Data Pump Bundle Patch
 - Oracle Database 19.31 plus Data Pump Bundle Patch





Also available in Oracle Database 19c
via 19.31 Data Pump Bundle Patch



Convert time zone data on import

Time Zone File Version Check



Source
Version 43

Target
Version 42

```
create table t1 (  
  ...  
  c1 timestamp with timezone  
  ...  
)
```


Import: Release 19.0.0.0.0 - Production on Sun Sep 30 06:17:06 2025
Version 19.27.0.0.0

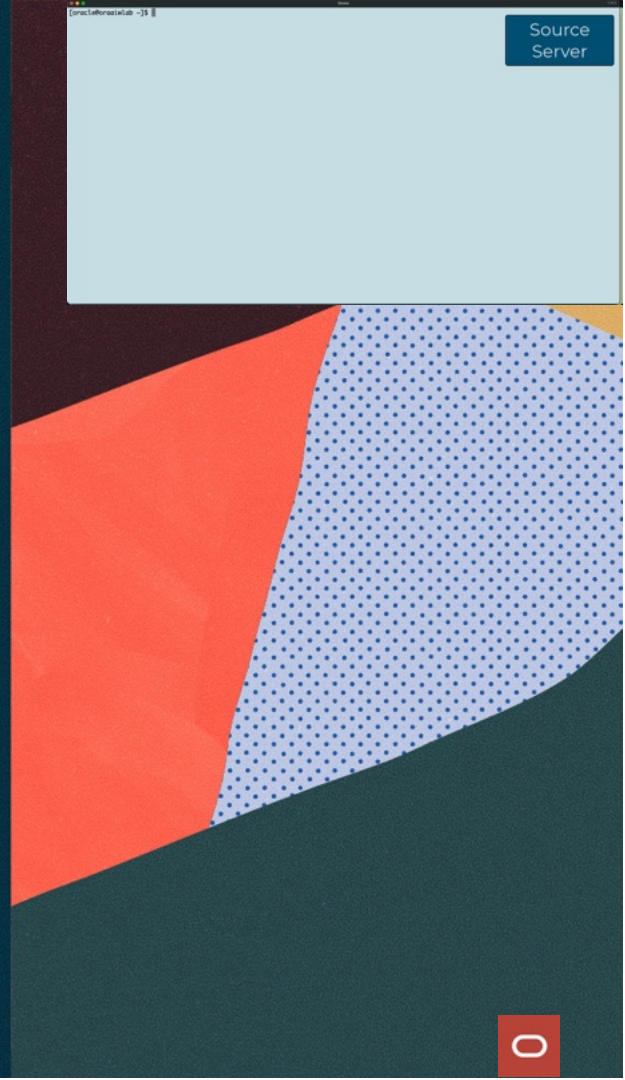
ORA-39002: invalid operation

ORA-39405: Oracle Data Pump does not support importing from a source database with TSTZ version 43 into a target database with TSTZ version 42.

DEMO

Convert time zone data on import

 [Watch on YouTube](#)



Further Information | Time Zone Data Conversion



- If needed, Data Pump converts `TIMESTAMP WITH TIMEZONE` to the target time zone file version
- This works if the target time zone file is higher or lower than the source
- Expect a small overhead for the conversion
- Requires 19.27 including Data Pump Bundle Patch





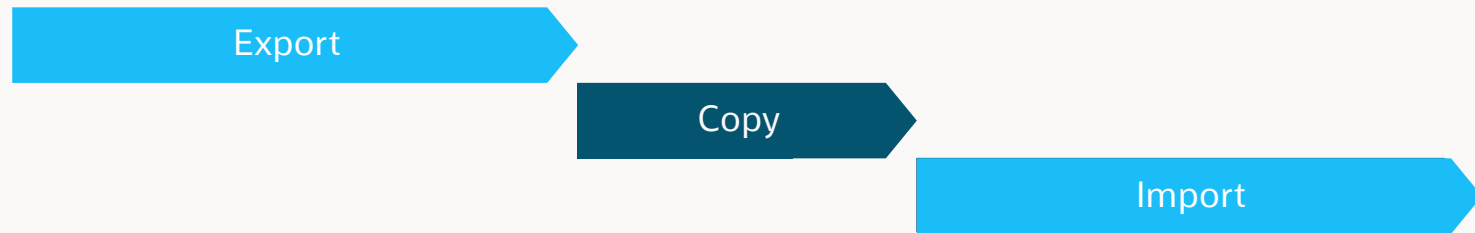
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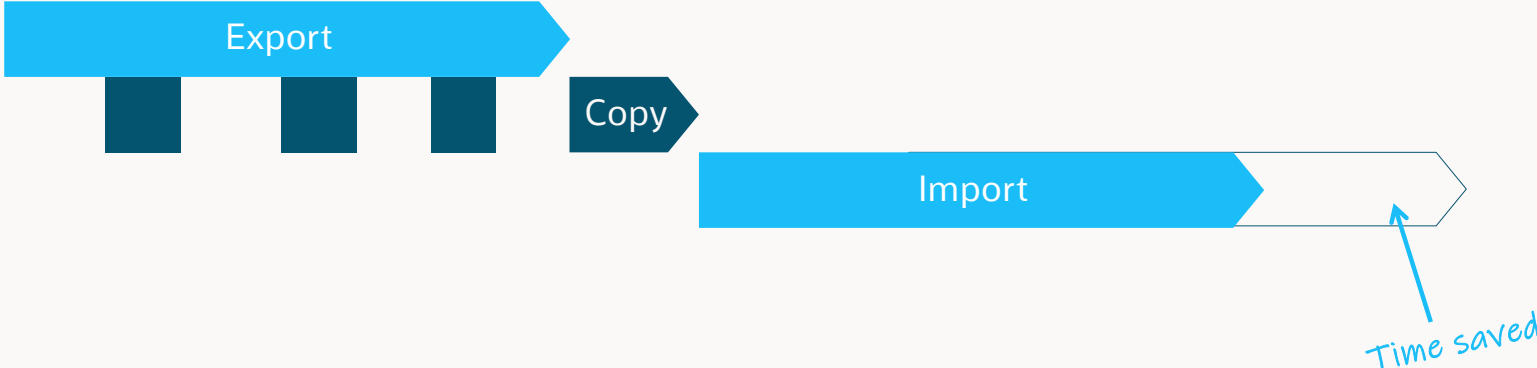
Copy the dump files before the export completes

- Oracle AI Database 26ai

Copy Dump Files



Copy Dump Files



```
dbms_datapump.get_status(l_handle, l_stsmask, NULL, l_job_state, l_status);
```



```
dbms_datapump.get_status(l_handle, l_stsmask, NULL, l_job_state, l_status);  
for i in l_status.job_status.files.first..l_status.job_status.files.last() loop  
  
end loop;
```



```
dbms_datapump.get_status(l_handle, l_stsmask, NULL, l_job_state, l_status);  
for i in l_status.job_status.files.first..l_status.job_status.files.last() loop  
    l_dump_file := l_status.job_status.files(i);  
  
    if (l_dump_file.file_bytes_written = l_dump_file.file_size) then  
        dbms_output.put_line('DONE: ' || l_dump_file.file_name);  
    end if;  
  
end loop;
```



Further Information | Copy Dump Files

- Blog post:
[Copy Data Pump Files Before the End of the Export](#)





Use diagnostics views to assist in troubleshooting

- Oracle AI Database 26ai

```
SQL> select waiting_session, event, dp_state_in_wait
       from v$datapump_sessionwait_info;
```

WAITING_SESSION	EVENT	DP_STATE_IN_WAIT
10	direct path sync	WAITING
77	log buffer space	WAITING
191	log buffer space	WAITING
428	enq: TT - contention	WAITING



Further Information | Diagnostic Views



New views available in Oracle AI Database 26ai:

- `v$datapump_process_info`
- `v$datapump_sessionwait_info`
- `v$datapump_processwait_info`

Key Learnings



- 1 Use Data Pump Bundle Patch
- 2 Use NOVALIDATE constraints
- 3 Create indexes faster





Autonomous AI Database Migrations

Made easy – a sneak preview

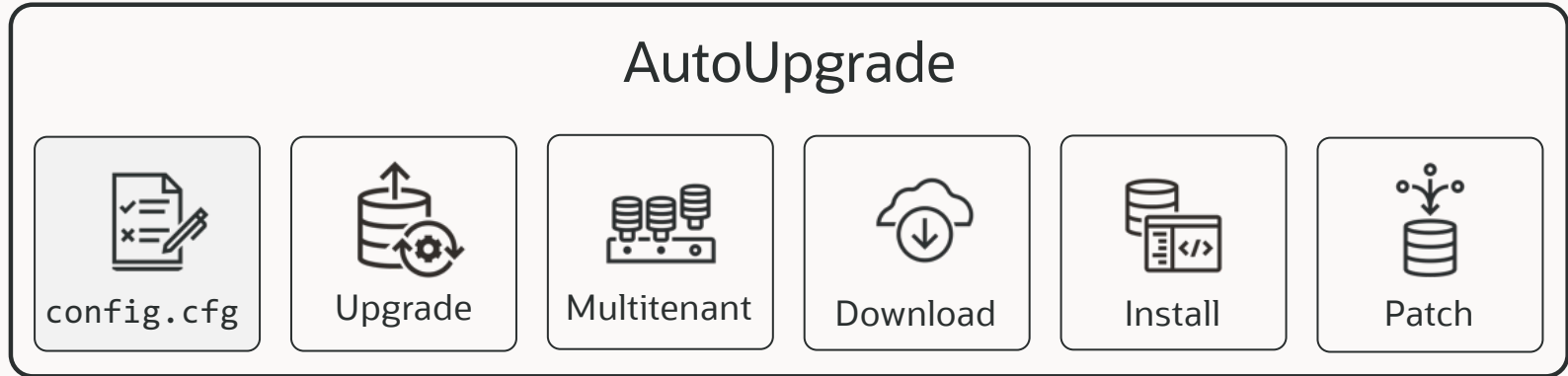
KEYNOTE PRESENTATION

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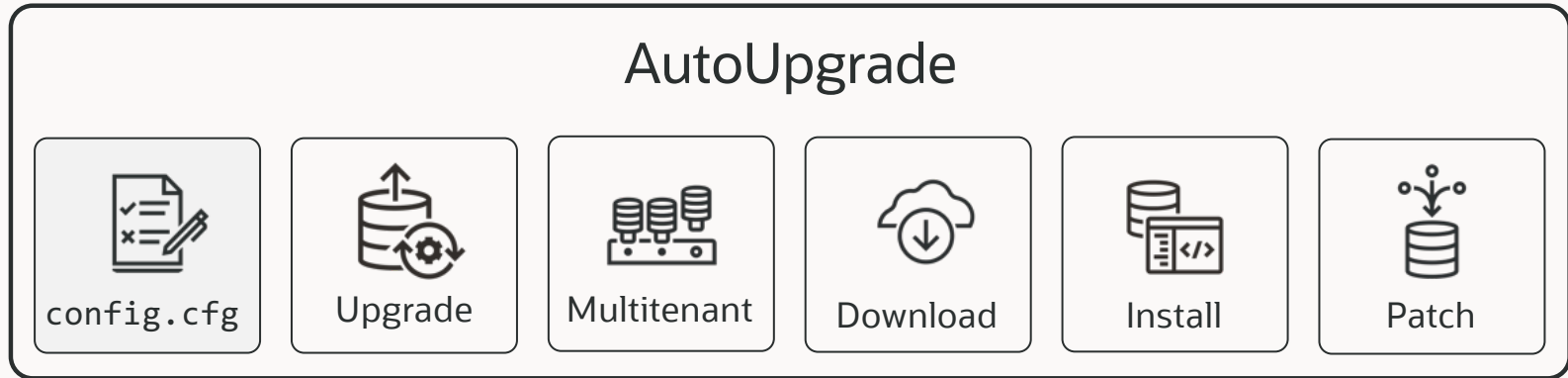
Recap AutoUpgrade

End-to-end automation



Recap AutoUpgrade

End-to-end automation



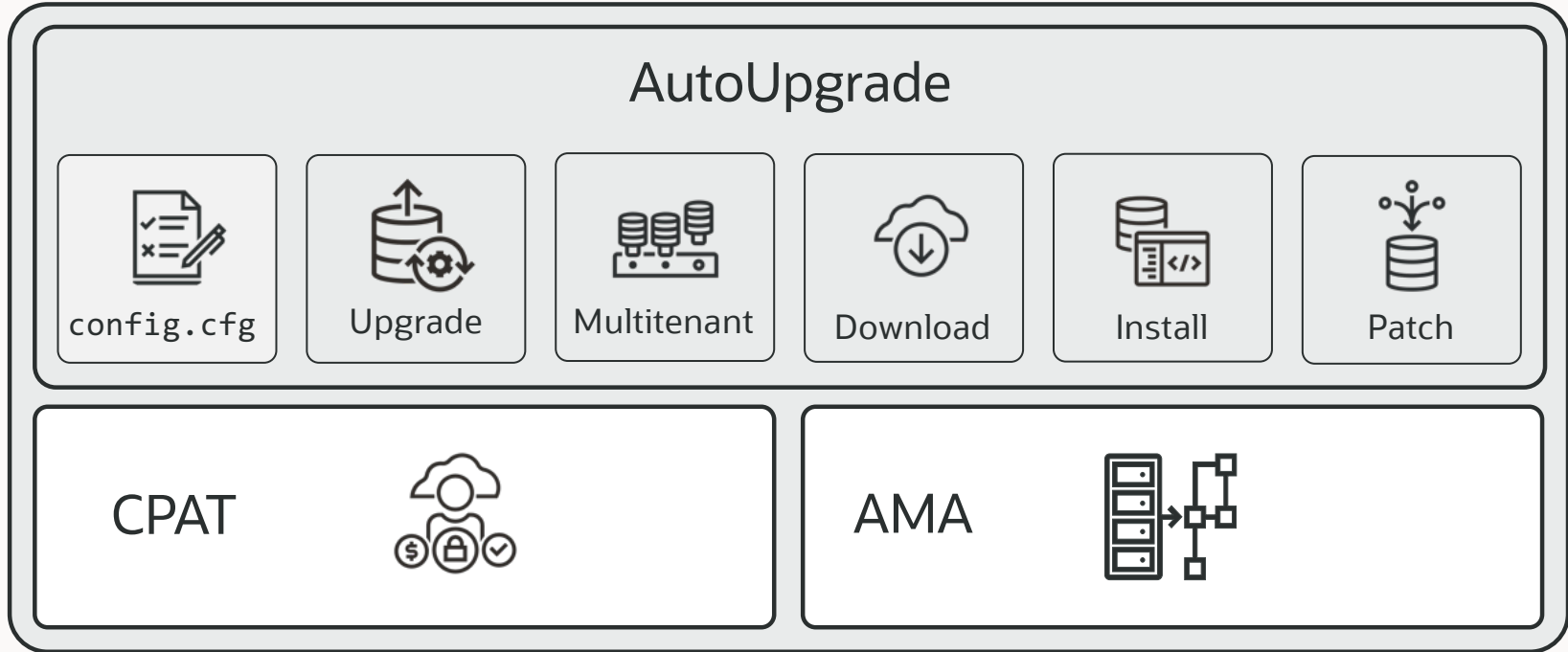
- Small, flexible, agile, available on all platforms
- Prechecks, pre/post-fixups
- Used by thousands of customers
- Deployed in every Oracle home



Why shouldn't AutoUpgrade migrate databases to Oracle Autonomous AI Database Serverless?



Overview



What if we combine these tools together?
And there it is, **AutoMigrate!!**



AutoMigrate

What we are going to do



ADB migrations for every DBA

Simple and well-known interface

Available everywhere

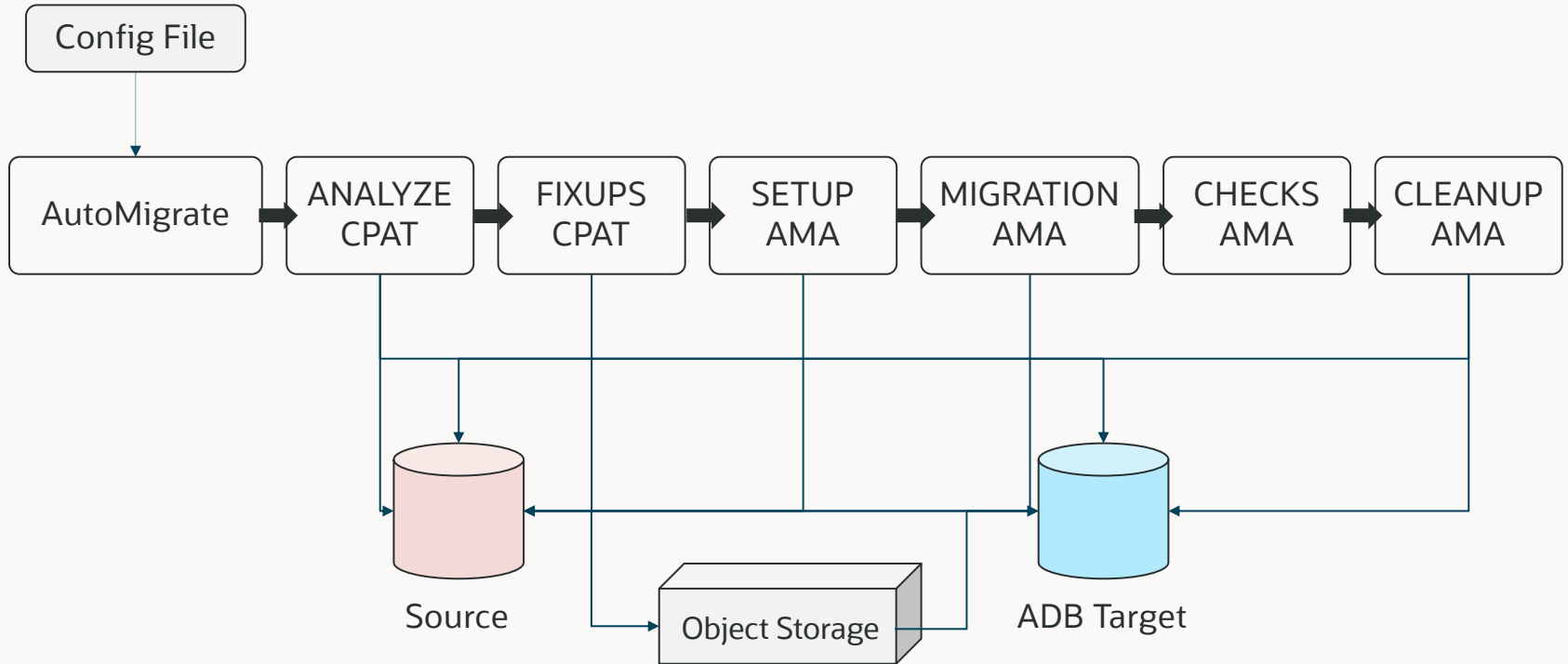
Works with Windows as source platform

Can be embedded in any automation framework

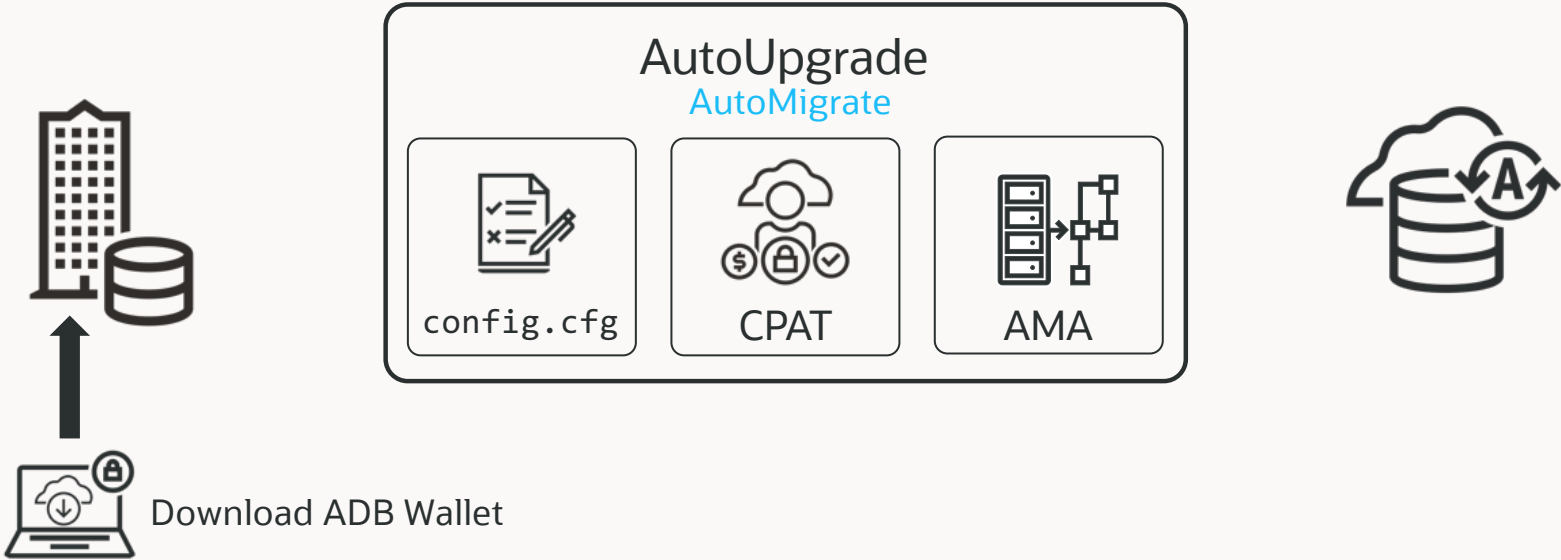
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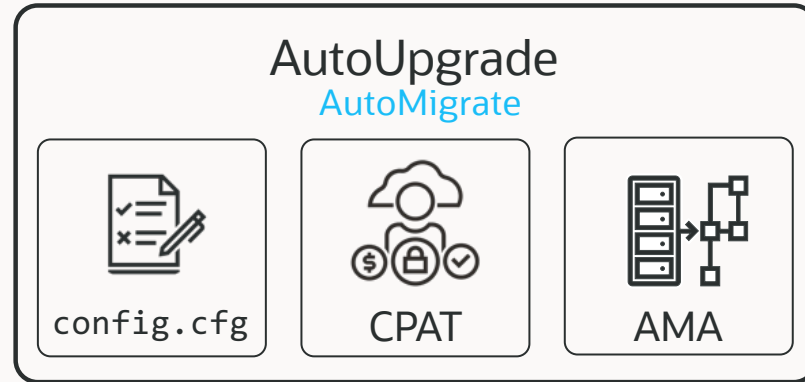
Conceptual Overview



Architecture Overview



Architecture Overview

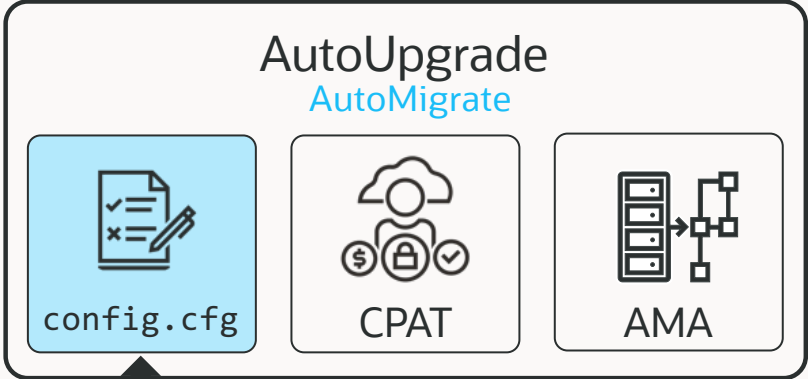


Load passwords into CPAT keystore (SEPS)

- ADMIN user
- Data Pump dump file encryption password (optional)
- Token for objectstore (if no pre-auth URL is used)



Architecture Overview



Edit config.cfg



global.**keystore**=/home/oracle/AUTOMIGRATE_DEMO/KEYSTORE

global.**username**=ADMIN

demo26ai.**source_home**=/opt/oracle/product/26ai/dbhomeFree

demo26ai.**sid**=FREE

demo26ai.**src_pdb_name**=FREEPDB1

demo26ai.**src_pdb_service_name**=localhost:1521/FREEPDB1

demo26ai.**target_service_name**=amademo26_tpurgent

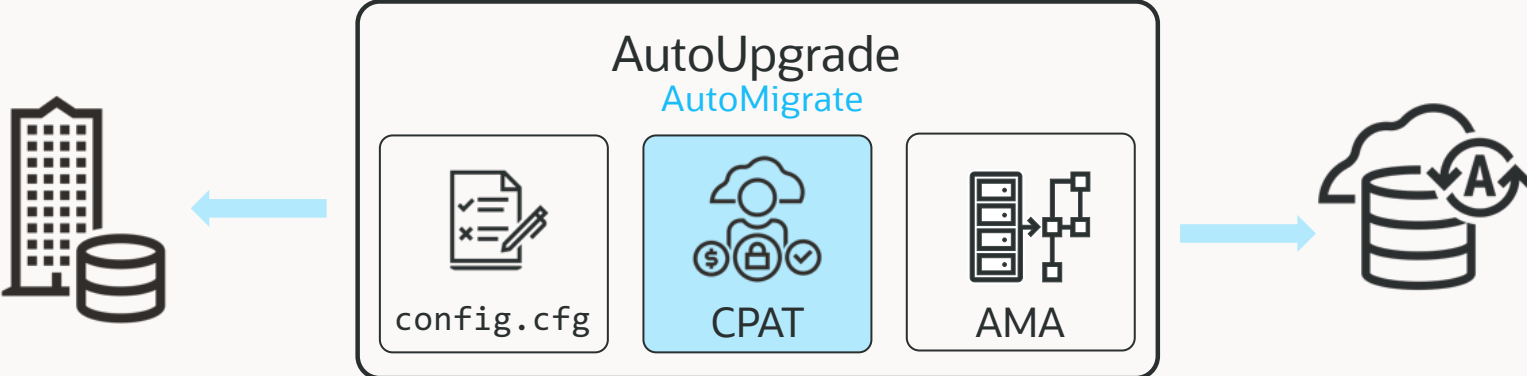
demo26ai.**target_wallet_location**=/home/oracle/AUTOMIGRATE_DEMO/WALLET

demo26ai.**curl_target_url**=https://swiftobjectstorage.eu-frankfurt-1.oraclecloud.com/v1/oradbclouducm/AMADemo/

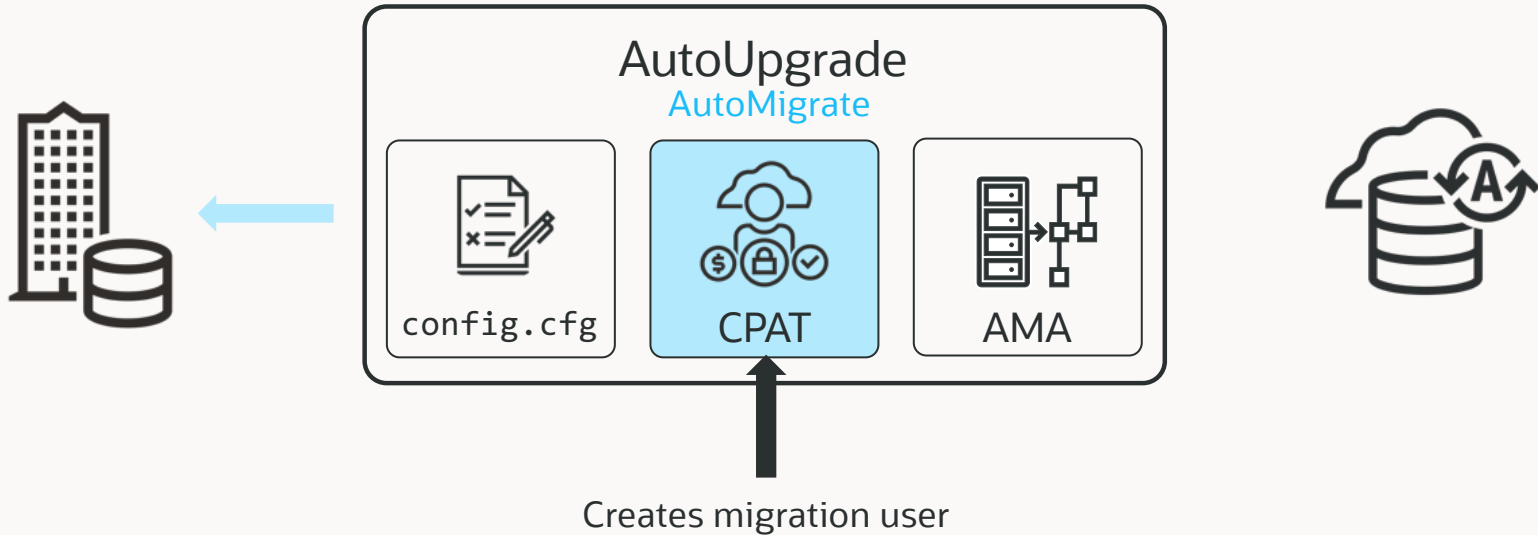
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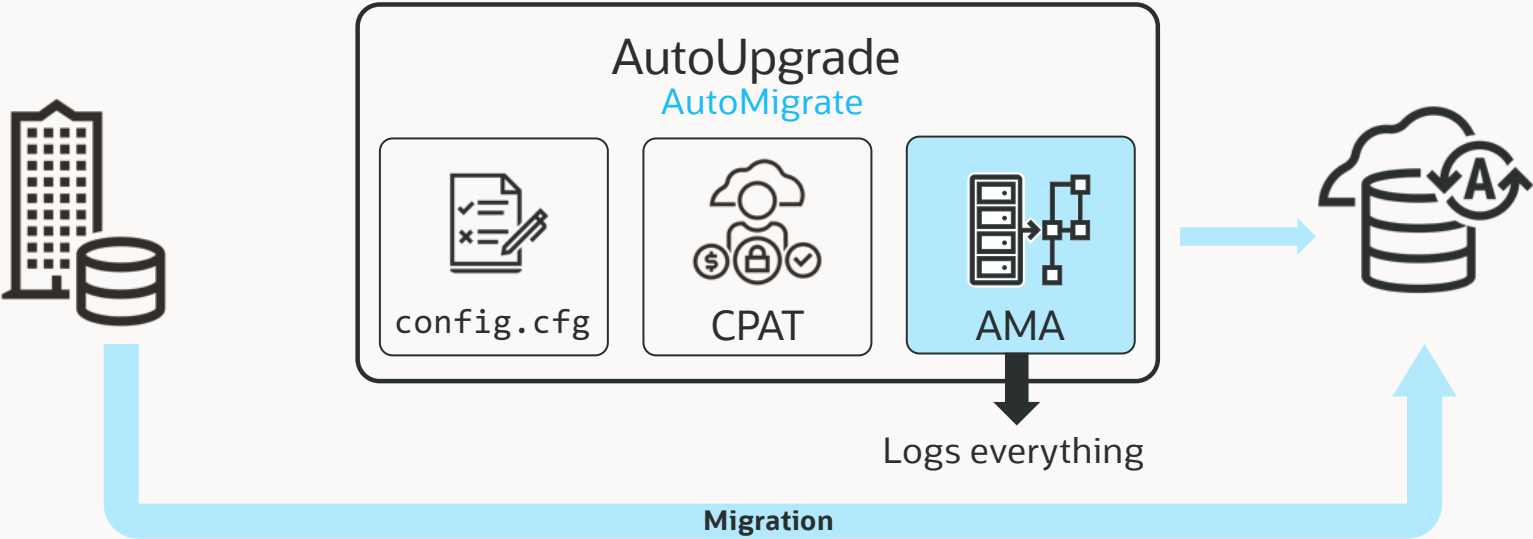
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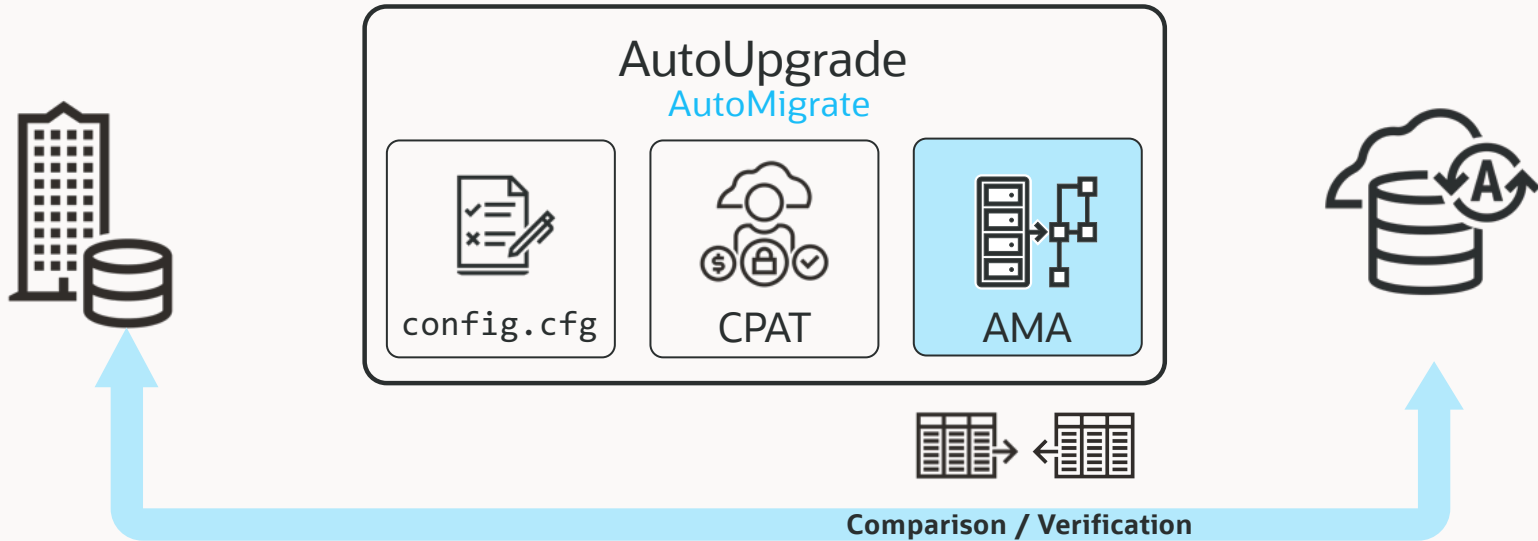
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Architecture Overview



Comparison / Verification

- Invalid objects
- Table row count
- Object count



AutoMigrate Sneak Preview



Download required

- **AutoUpgrade** from oracle.com or MOS
- **CPAT** from oracle.com or MOS
- **Wallet** for Autonomous Serverless from cloud.oracle.com
- **Token** for the Object Storage



DEMO

AutoMigrate

- Migrate a local database of 15GB into Oracle Autonomous AI Database



Demo

Regression testing DB with plenty of objects

- Size: 15GB
- Duration: 20 mins – end-to-end migration

```
[oracle@47544c5be592 100]$ more autoupgrade_20260310.log
2026-03-10 07:16:26.809 INFO [23]
build.MOS_LINK:https://support.oracle.com/support/?anchorId=&kmContentId=2485457&page=sptemplate&sptemplate=km-article
....
2026-03-10 07:32:44.057 INFO [27] Adding Job context key[dispatcher_stage] value[4] for job [100] - CommonBackBone.addJobContext#270
2026-03-10 07:32:44.057 INFO [27] Stopping background threads for Job - JobDefinition.stopJobThreads#132
2026-03-10 07:32:44.058 INFO [27] [0] threads have been stopped by JobDefinition - JobDefinition.stopJobThreads#134
2026-03-10 07:32:44.058 INFO [27] Dispatcher finished for 100 - RunJobDefinition.runJob#177
2026-03-10 07:32:44.058 INFO [27] End - RunJobDefinition.runJob#178
2026-03-10 07:32:44.059 INFO [27] -----Stages Summary----- - Utilities.writeStageSummary#1153
2026-03-10 07:32:44.059 INFO [27]     SETUP <1 min - Utilities.writeStageSummary#1153
2026-03-10 07:32:44.059 INFO [27]     MIGRATIONCPATANALYZE <1 min - Utilities.writeStageSummary#1153
2026-03-10 07:32:44.059 INFO [27]     MIGRATIONCPATFIXUPS <1 min - Utilities.writeStageSummary#1153
2026-03-10 07:32:44.059 INFO [27]     MIGRATIONAMA 16 min - Utilities.writeStageSummary#1153
2026-03-10 07:32:44.059 INFO [27]     COMPLETED <1 min - Utilities.writeStageSummary#1153
2026-03-10 07:32:44.059 INFO [27] End of dispatcher instance for N/A - CommonBackBone.finalJobLogging#436
```





Prototype is already fully operational

- If you want to [beta test](#) from July 1 on, send mail to: mike.dietrich@oracle.com



DBA vs. AI

Harvard Business Review

***“AI won’t replace humans -
but humans with AI will
replace humans without AI”***

Karim Lakhani





AI Database

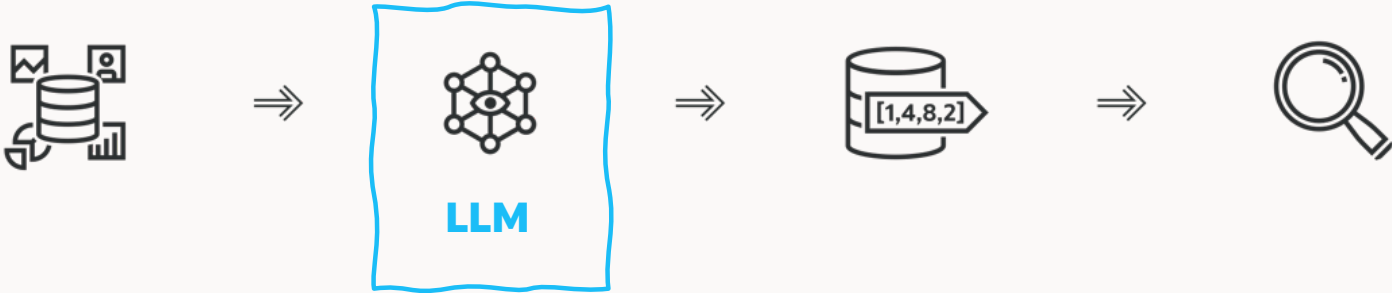


Using AI

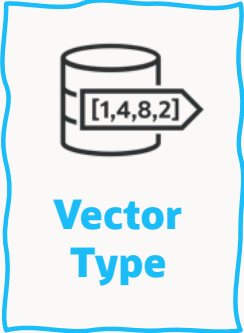
Vector Database



Vector Database



Vector Database



Vector Database





AI Database



Using AI

Let us create an
AutoMigrate Data Pump Log Analyzer
using Oracle AI Database 26ai

What do we need?

Oracle AI Database 26ai

- On-premises or cloud or [Oracle Autonomous AI Database](#)

Transforming model

- [Turning text into Vectors](#), e.g. [Hugging Face's all_MiniLM_L12_v2.onnx](#)

LLM

Table with VECTOR column and VECTOR index

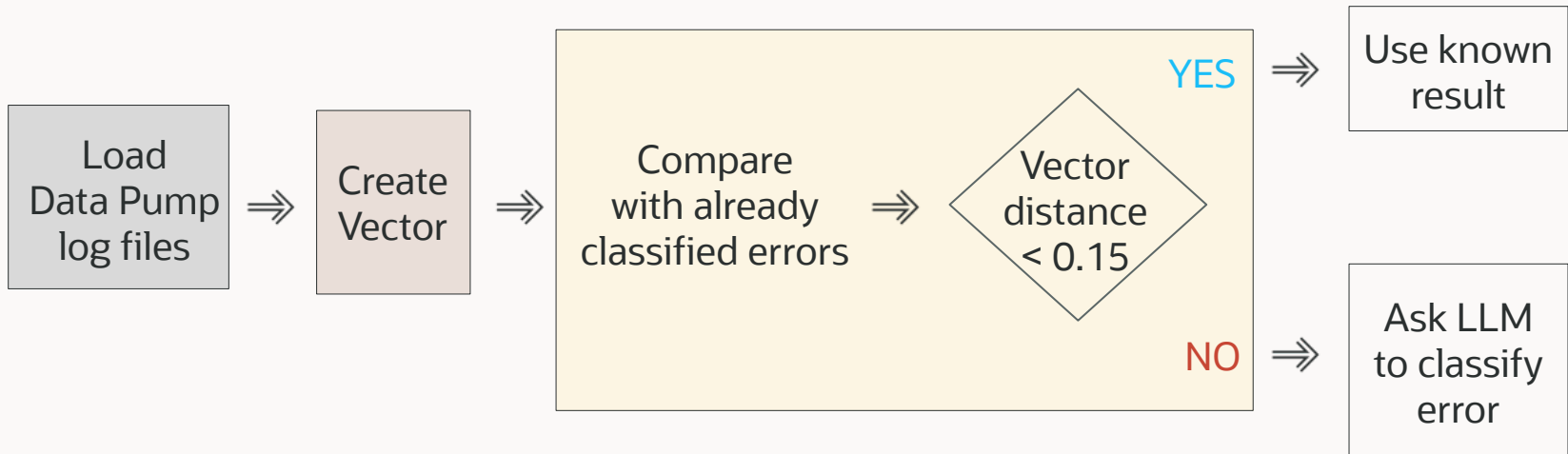
Predefined rules for errors



Analyzing hundreds of Data Pump migration log files



Analyzing hundreds of Data Pump migration log files



It may take a while to load, classify and report

```
Processed 1000 rows; last severity=low
Processed 2000 rows; last severity=medium
Processed 3000 rows; last severity=low
Processed 4000 rows; last severity=medium
Processed 5000 rows; last severity=low
Processed 6000 rows; last severity=medium
Processed 7000 rows; last severity=low
Processed 8000 rows; last severity=medium
Processed 9000 rows; last severity=low
Processed 10000 rows; last severity=medium
Processed 11000 rows; last severity=low
Processed 12000 rows; last severity=medium
Processed 13000 rows; last severity=low
Processed 14000 rows; last severity=medium
Processed 15000 rows; last severity=low
Processed 16000 rows; last severity=low
Done. Total processed=16846
```

Elapsed: 00:32:01.43

```
Report uploaded successfully.
Object URI:
https://.../oracle_error_severity_report.html
```

Elapsed: 00:00:26.75



Example report from test migration with Fusion Apps (FA)

Oracle Error Severity Report

Status: WARN

Generated: 2026-05-06 13:10:53.042732000 +00:00

Files: 151

Errors: 37413

Critical: 0

Medium: 18087

Low: 19326

Unclassified: 0

AI: 12226

Exact: 0

Vector: 25187

Critical 0 Medium 18087 Low 19326 Unclassified 0



AI 12226 Exact 0 Vector 25187



Scope: all errors



Example report from test migration with Fusion Apps (FA)

IMPDP (125 file(s))

critical 0 medium 5 low 13126 errors 13131

00018_PDB1_IMPDP_SCHEMA_FUSION_260430_202439.log critical 0 medium 3 low 12357 errors 12360

00034_PDB1_IMPDP_SCHEMA_AZ_MIG_260430_202439.log critical 0 medium 2 low 2 errors 4



00022_PDB1_IMPDP_SCHEMA_FUSION_GRC_260430_202439.log critical 0 medium 0 low 323 errors 323

00030_PDB1_IMPDP_SCHEMA_FUSION_SETUP_260430_202439.log critical 0 medium 0 low 208 errors 208



Example report from test migration with Fusion Apps (FA)

medium rows 2, messages 2

Seq	Error code	Error message	Source	Confidence	Action	Context / SQL snippet
1	ORA-31685	ORA-31685: Object type SYSTEM_GRANT:"AZ_MIG"."EXPORT FULL DATABASE" failed due to insufficient privileges. Failing sql is: GRANT EXPORT FULL DATABASE TO "AZ_MIG" W-1 Completed 11 SYSTEM_GRANT objects in 0 seconds W-1 Processing object type SCHEMA_EXPORT/ROLE_GRANT	ai	.8	investigate	ORA-31685: Object type SYSTEM_GRANT:"AZ_MIG"."EXPORT FULL DATABASE" failed due to insufficient privileges. Failing sql is: GRANT EXPORT FULL DATABASE TO "AZ_MIG" W-1 Completed 11 SYSTEM_GRANT objects in 0 seconds W-1 Processing object type SCHEMA_EXPORT/ROLE_GRANT
2	ORA-39083	ORA-39083: Object type ROLE_GRANT failed to create with error:	ai	.8	investigate	ORA-39083: Object type ROLE_GRANT failed to create with error:



Example report from test migration with Fusion Apps (FA)

low rows 323, messages 323

Seq	Error code	Error message	Source	Confidence	Action	Context / SQL snippet
1	ORA-31684	ORA-31684: Object type FUNCTION:"FUSION_GRC"."GRC_ACCESS_TYPE_B=" already exists	vector_cache	.95	ignore	ORA-31684: Object type FUNCTION:"FU SION_GRC"."G RC_ACCESS_TY PE_B=" already exists
2	ORA-31684	ORA-31684: Object type FUNCTION:"FUSION_GRC"."GRC_ACCESS_TYPE_TL=" already exists	vector_cache	.95	ignore	ORA-31684: Object type FUNCTION:"FU SION_GRC"."G RC_ACCESS_TY PE_TL=" already exists



What would help you?





Quick Demo

- Microsoft VS Code
- Github Copilot Chat
- SQL Developer Web Extensions for VS Code
- Any LLM



EXTENSIONS

Search Extensions in Marketplace


INSTALLED 5

- Cline** 504ms
Autonomous coding agent right in your IDE, capable of crea...
Cline
- GitHub Copilot Chat** 404ms
AI chat features powered by Copilot
GitHub
- Oracle Code Assist**
Oracle Code Assist
Oracle
- Oracle SQL Developer Extension for VSCode** 91ms
End-to-end development tools for your SQL and PL/SQL ap...
Oracle Corporation
- GitHub Copilot
Your AI pair programmer
GitHub

RECOMMENDED 3

- SQLTools** 6M 3.5
Connecting users to many of the most commonly used data...
Matheus Teixeira [Install](#)
- Vim** 8.3M 4
Vim emulation for Visual Studio Code
vscodevim [Install](#)


MCP SERVERS


MCP Servers
Browse and install [Model Context Protocol \(MCP\)](#)

Untitled-1

```
1 Generate code (*I), or select a language (*K M). Start typing to dismiss or don't show this again.
```

CHAT



Build with Agent

AI responses may be inaccurate.

[Generate Agent Instructions](#) to onboard AI onto your codebase.

Untitled-1

Describe what to build next

Agent GPT-5 mini

Key Learnings



- 1** Precise prompting is important
- 2** Never use a read/write user
- 3** Keep your brain turned on – always!!



Break

We will start again at 15:15

Cross-Platform Migrations

Pushing the limits



The Beast

Introduction

Who is who?





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Oracle DBA Tech Lead

Entain Services Austria GmbH



Entain is one of the world's largest sports betting and gaming groups. Leveraging the power of the Entain Platform, they bring moments of excitement into their customers lives through more than 30 iconic brands such as bwin, Coral, Ladbrokes and many more.

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Migration Challenges



SPARC SuperCluster



ZDLRA



Exadata X9M Extreme Flash



Migration Challenges

180TB
size



SPARC SuperCluster



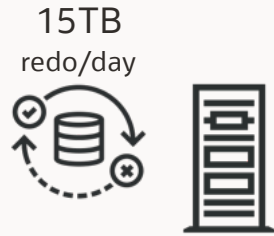
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5 Physical Standby DBs

Local, and in different region, 2500km away





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Up to 15TB redo/day is beyond what Oracle GoldenGate will be able to synch

The system is highly active 24 x 7 x 365

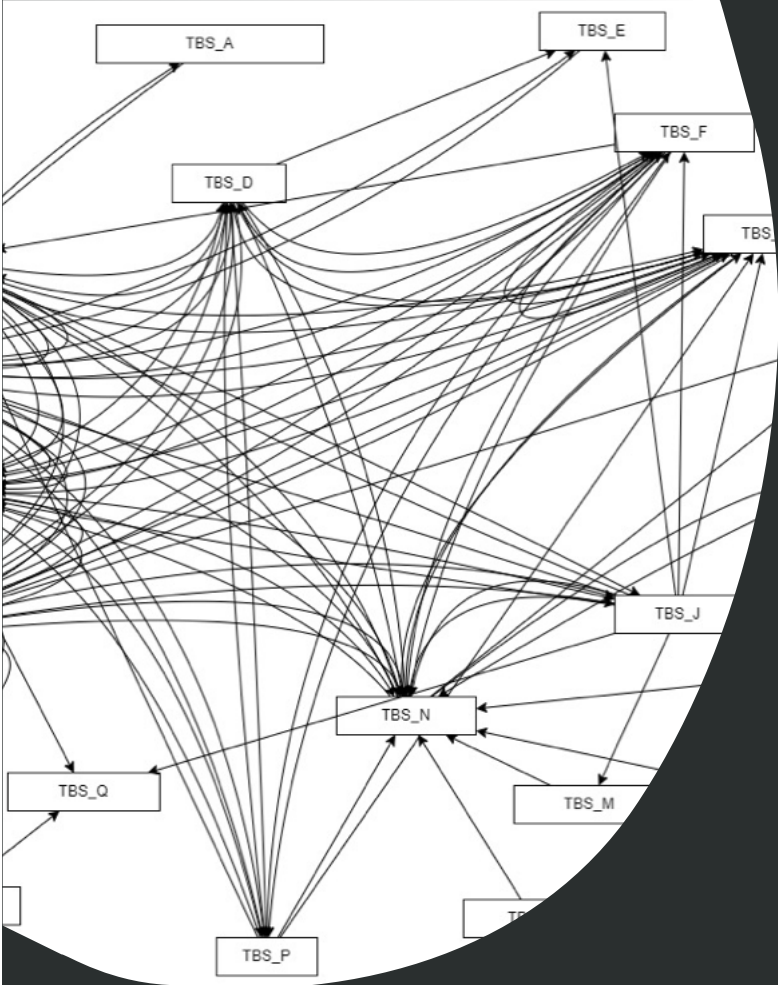


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Very large database, very constrained downtime

- 180+ TB database size
- 5-6 TB growth/month
- Every minute of downtime costs \$\$\$





Migrating tablespaces upfront or separately **definitely** not an option

- Way too many cross-dependencies
- Tablespaces aren't isolated



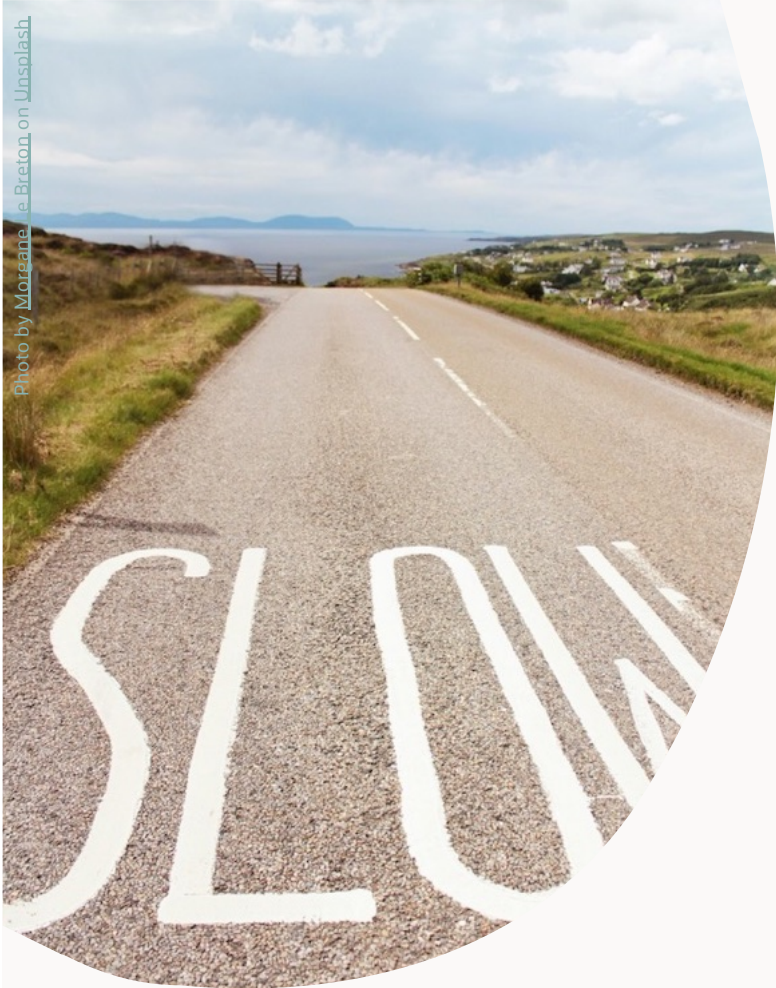
Every complex Oracle data type you can imagine is used

- XML binary types
- Nested partitioned tables
- Evolved object types



Tight downtime window

- Dry run: 2 hours outage approved
 - Tablespace read-only
 - Full Transportable Export
- Live migration: 13 hours approved



The available **Oracle V4 PERL** migration scripts would have been worked technically, but ...

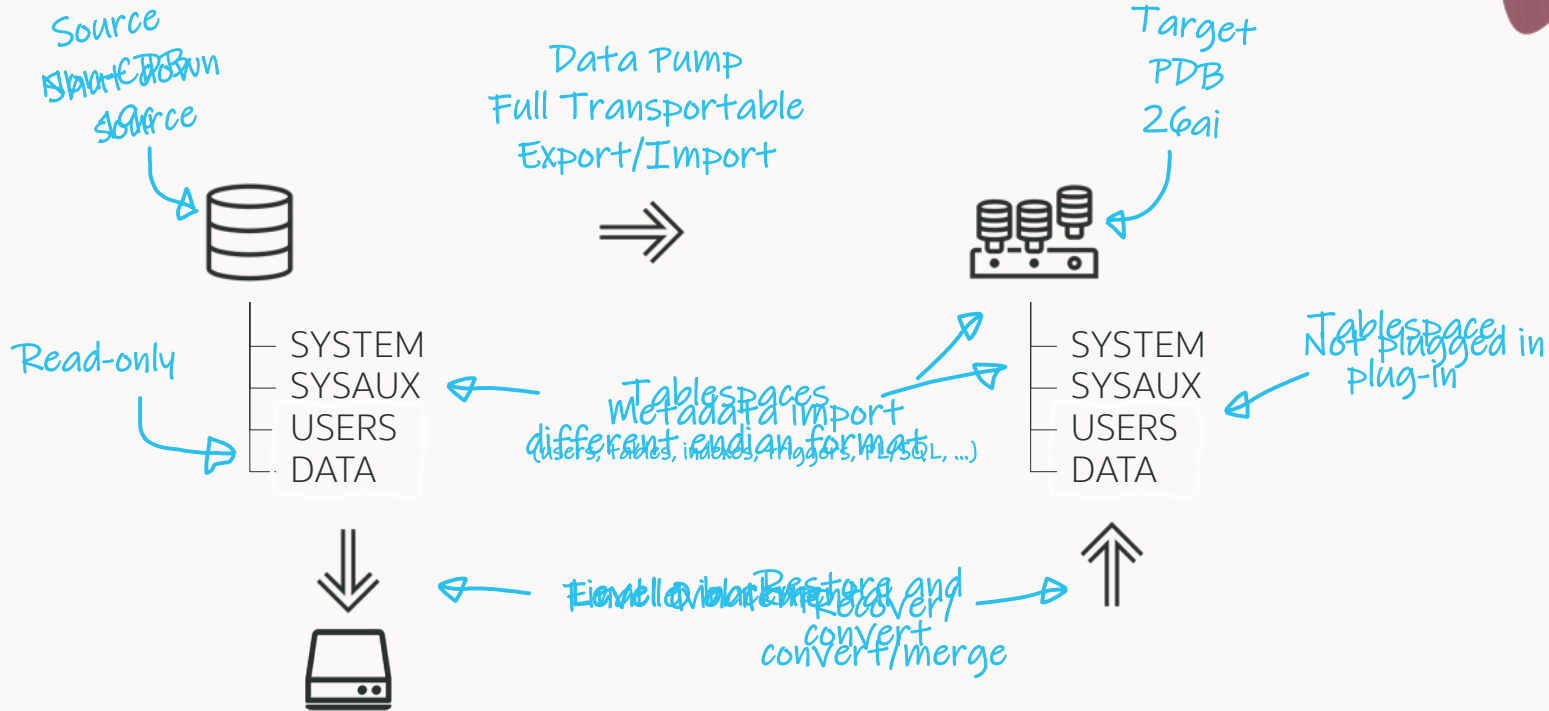
- No section-size backup support
- No standby backup support
- No selective PDB migration support





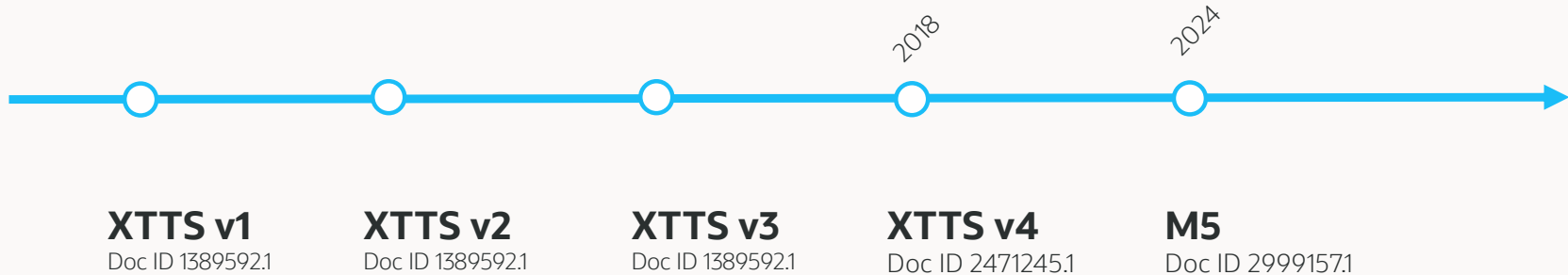
Typically, we use Full Transportable Export/ Import for large cross-endian migrations

Concept



Scripts for Incremental Backup Automation

Backup / restore / recover



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





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

- New RMAN functionality combined with Full Transportable Export/Import
- MOS [KB144840](#)

M5 Migration Script

The new migrations scripts superseding the V4 PERL scripts



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



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

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



Benefits

M5 procedure supports:

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

Requirements

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





Always use the latest version of M5 script

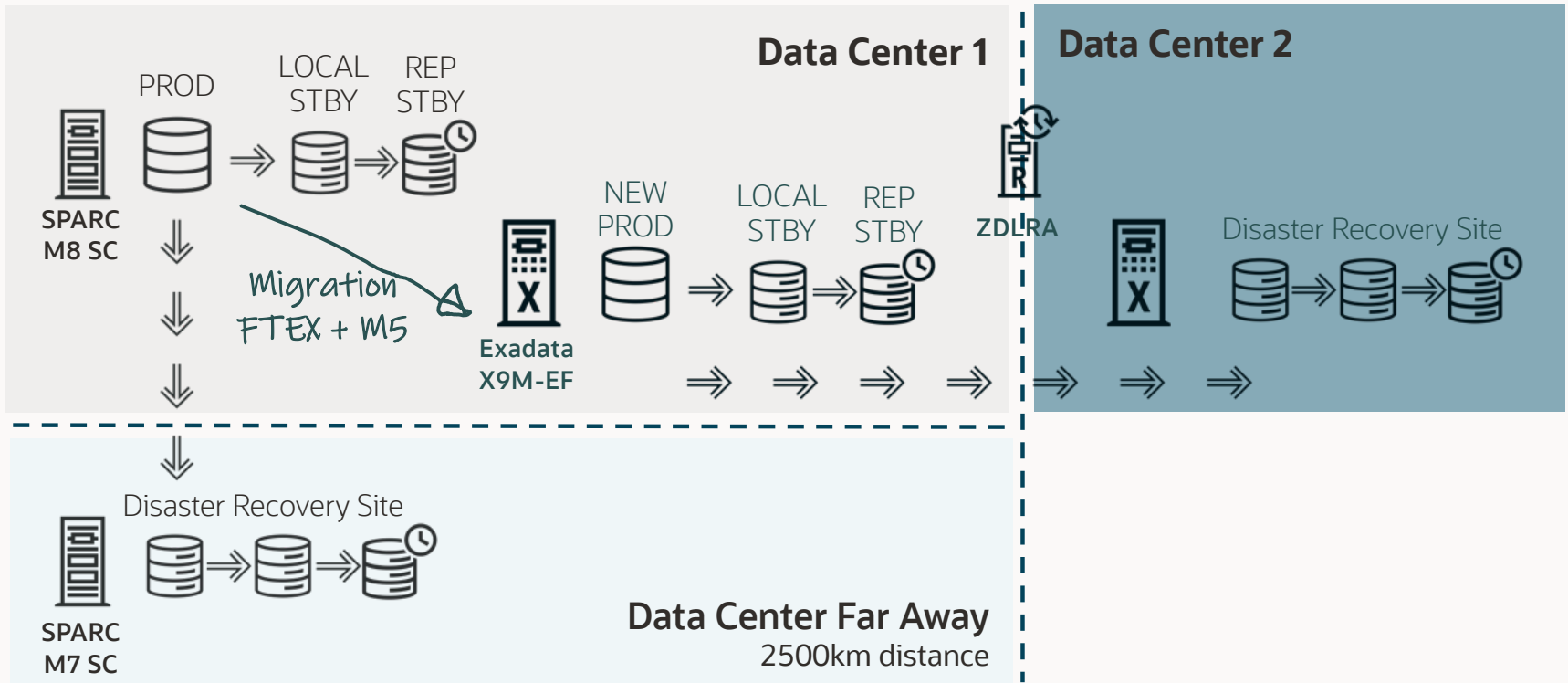
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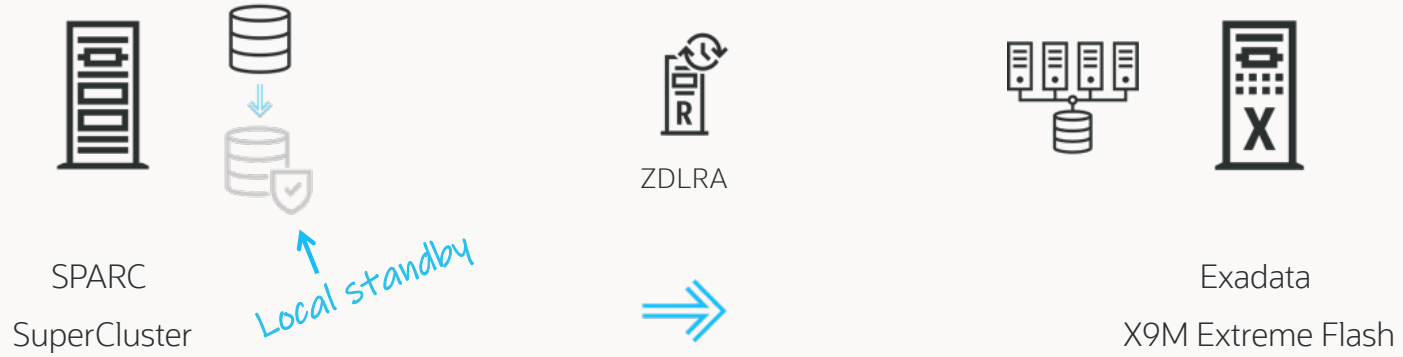
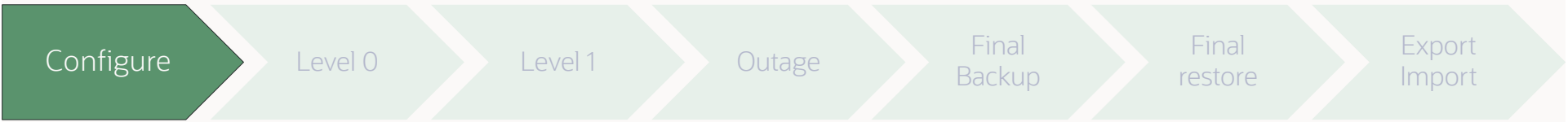
Use Block Change Tracking for faster incremental backups

- Check the License Guide for details

Migration Plan



M5 Workflow



M5 Workflow



- Download M5 script from Doc ID [2999157.1](#)
- Configure shared NFS
- Edit `dbmig_ts_list.txt`
- Edit `dbmig_driver.properties`
- Create new, empty target database



M5 Workflow

Configure

Level 0

Level 1

Outage

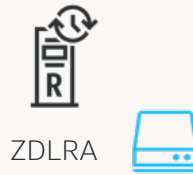
Final Backup

Final restore

Export Import



SPARC
SuperCluster



ZDLRA



Exadata
X9M Extreme Flash



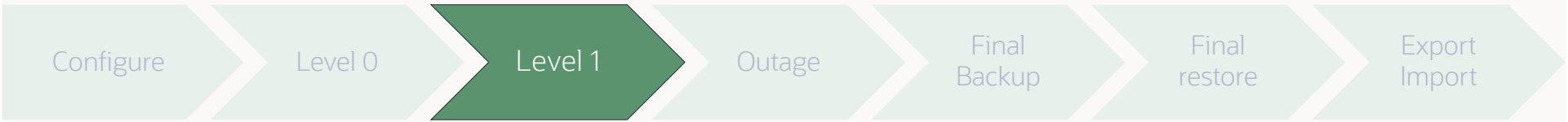
M5 Workflow



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



M5 Workflow



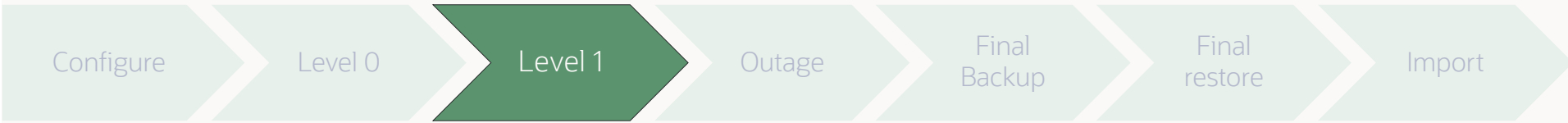
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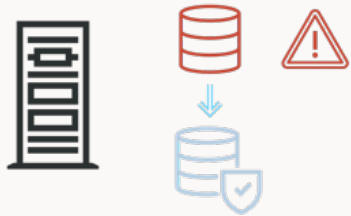
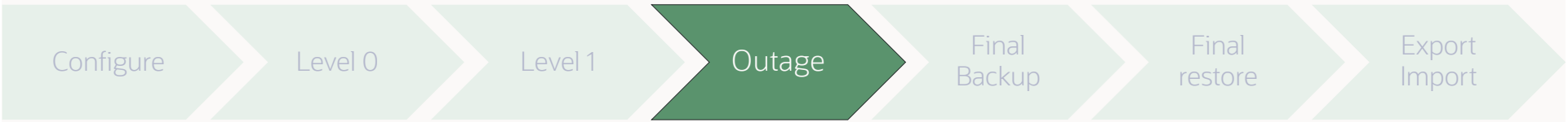
M5 Workflow



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



M5 Workflow



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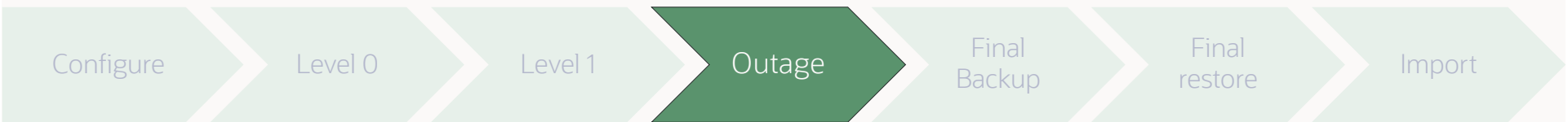
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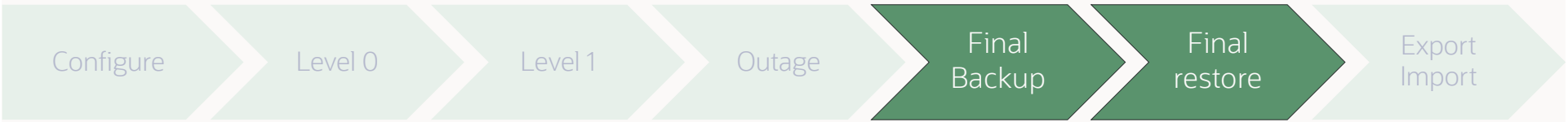
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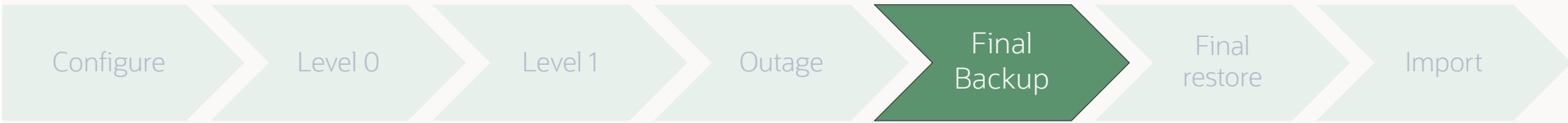
- Maintenance window begins
- Read-only sessions can still use the database



M5 Workflow



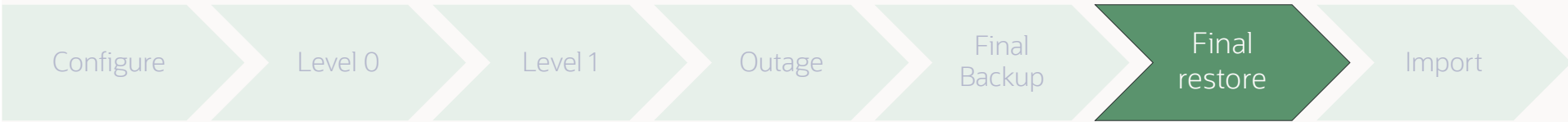
M5 Workflow



- Start final level 1 incremental backup
 - Use driver script `dbmig_driver_m5.sh` [L1F](#)
 - Sets tablespaces read-only
 - Performs level 1 incremental backup
 - Starts Data Pump full transportable export
- Optionally, shuts down source database



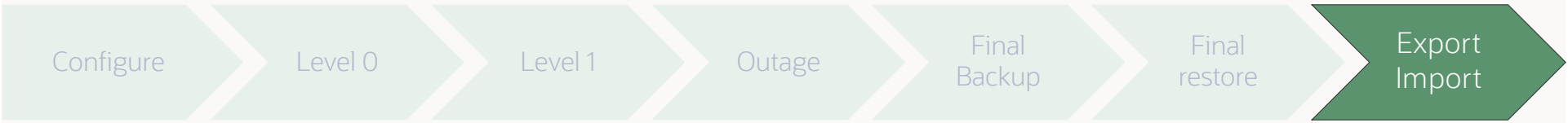
M5 Workflow



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



M5 Workflow



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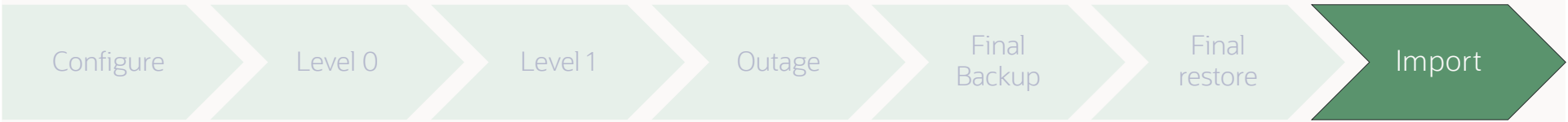
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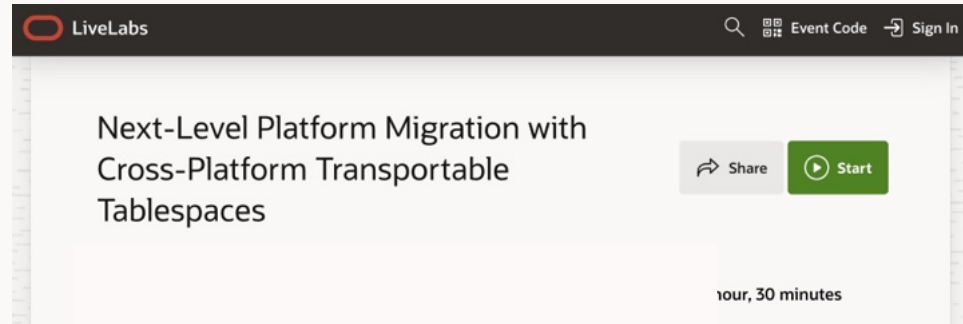
M5 Workflow



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



Wanna try it out?



Oracle LiveLabs – Run the lab just inside your browser!

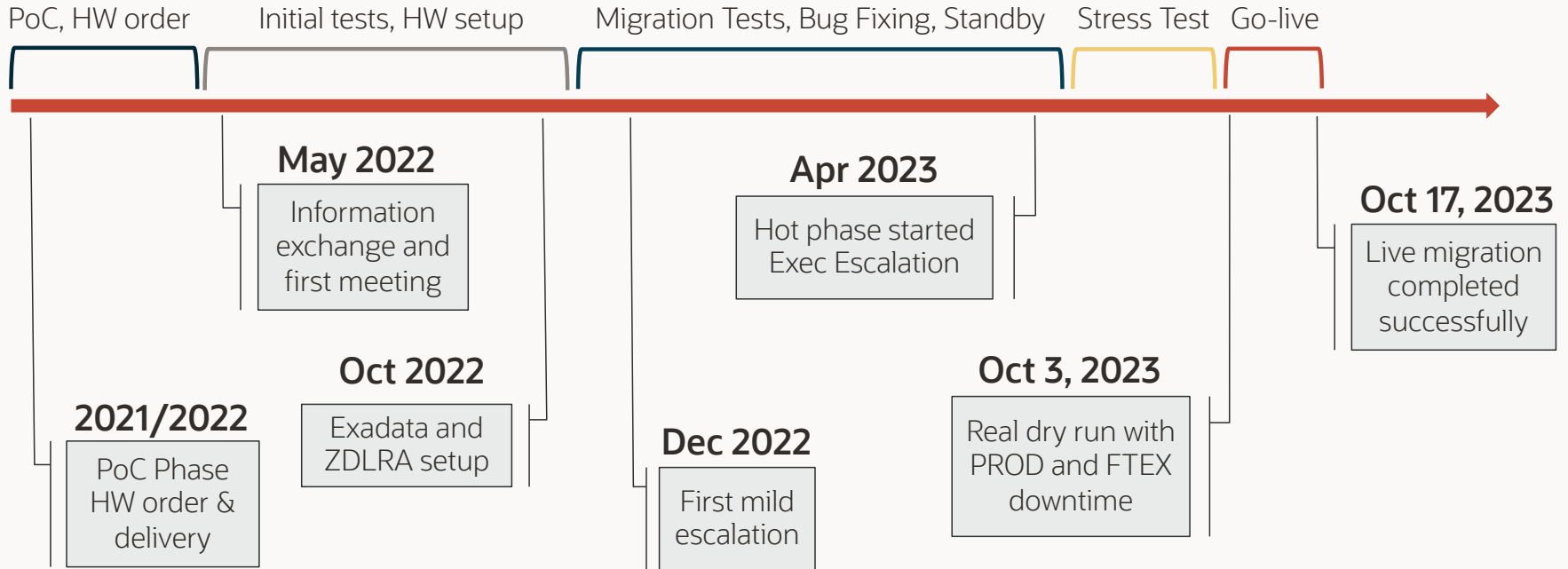


The Project Plan

—
Timelines and the Run Book



Overall Project Timeline



Key to Success: Runbook

Complex projects absolutely require a detailed runbook

ID	Task	Status	Responsible Primary Person	Responsible Secondary Person	Predecessor	Start Time (CEST)	Duration (hh:mm)	End Time (CEST)	Start Time (IST)	End Time (IST)	Actual Start Time (CEST)	Actual Duration	Actual End Time (CEST)	Comments - Blocker
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- This run book covered over 200 individual tasks

The screenshot shows a complex spreadsheet with columns for task ID, task name, status, responsible primary and secondary persons, predecessor tasks, start and end times in both CEST and IST, duration, actual start times, actual durations, actual end times, and comments or blockers. The spreadsheet is color-coded with various shades of green, blue, and yellow to highlight different sections or task types.



Timeline Live Migration

Task	22:00	23:00	0:00	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00



How many people were involved?



6 DBAs



Managers



2 data center engineers



4 product engineering



4 DB developer



War Room



2-3 infrastructure



2 monitoring, communication



4 compliance



2 network



10 testing



Migration Issues

Some of them...



Where it started ...



PoC first FTEX **export**:

```
01-OCT-21 05:32:36.275: Job "SYSTEM"."SYS_EXPORT_FULL_01" successfully completed at  
Fri Oct 1 05:32:36 2021 elapsed 0 04:25:22
```

PoC first FTEX **import**:

```
05-OCT-21 01:48:59.534: Job "SYSTEM"."SYS_IMPORT_FULL_01" completed with 103000  
error(s) at Tue Oct 5 01:48:59 2021 elapsed 3 18:34:09
```

The way forward ...

80 SRs opened and solved in various areas

Migration
ZDLRA
Standby
Infrastructure

18 one-off patches

5 merges

Daily calls with Oracle, countless evening / night / weekend hours

Many areas required special attention....

Optimizer Statistics

Scheduler jobs

Resource Manager

Cross Schema objects

AQ

Evolved Types/partitioned nested tables

Binary XML

Standby DBs

...



Photo by [Justin Chrn](#) on [Unsplash](#)

Issue 1 | Long Running Metadata Import

Fix applied to remedy export errors

- BUG 34201281 - MERGE ON DATABASE RU 19.12.0.0.0 OF 33963454 34052641

Result:

- Now Full Transportable import alone took over **6 days (!!)**

```
08-JUN-22 16:21:17.887: W-1 Processing object type DATABASE_EXPORT/.../PROCACT_INSTANCE
14-JUN-22 18:56:58.813: W-1          Completed 108 PROCACT_INSTANCE objects in 527737 seconds
...
14-JUN-22 19:15:50.016: Job "SYSTEM"."SYS_IMPORT_TRANSPORTABLE_01" completed with 316 error(s)
                        at Tue Jun 14 19:15:49 2022 elapsed 6 06:45:38
```



Issue 1 | Long Running Meta Import

Long running action identified via tracing:

```
UPDATE "POSTMAN"."T_MAIL_LOG"  
      SET "C_CVAR"=SYS_REMAP_XMLTYPE("C_CVAR")
```

- 300+ million rows

Issue in internal package DBMS_CSX_INT

- Fast merge of XMLTYPE is not happening as expected
 - *Reason:* Incorrect internal check query
- Tokens between source and target are not identical
 - *Reason:* Different Endianness



Issue 1 | Long Running Meta Import

Solution:

- Use workaround from MOS Note: 2309649.1 in UPGRADE mode
 - [\(KB152248\) How to Migrate Large Amount of Binary XML Data between Databases](#)

```
25-JUL-22 12:28:40.813: Job "SYSTEM"."SYS_IMPORT_TRANSPORTABLE_01" completed  
with 317 error(s) at Mon Jul 25 12:28:40 2022 elapsed 0 04:33:03
```

Issue 2 | Metadata API and Nested Tables

Full transportable import errors out for a [nested partitioned table](#)

```
PLS-00172: string literal too long
ORA-39151: Table "DBA_XY"."X_GAMES" exists.
          All dependent metadata and data will be skipped due to table_exists_action
```

Root cause was a string overflow in the Metadata API

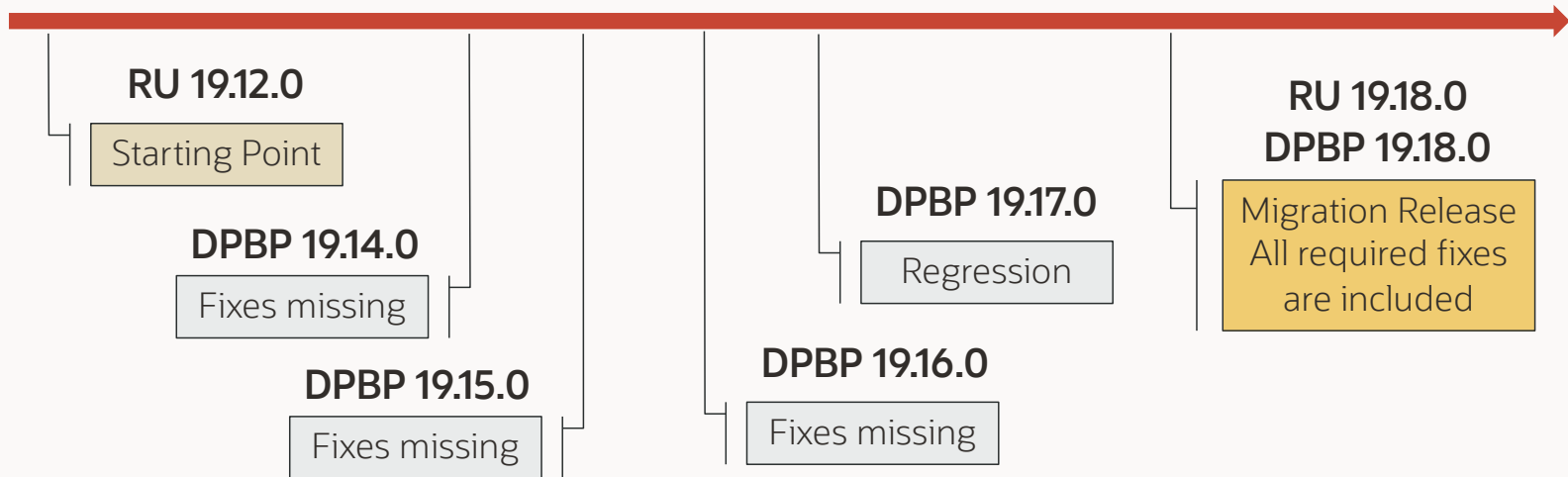
- Data Pump creates the index, and then alters it – here the overflow happened
- Side effect was a misleading error message



Issue 3 | Data Pump Bundle Patch

Many of the TTS and Metadata fixes got included into Data Pump Bundle

- [\(KB107134\) Data Pump Recommended Proactive Patches For 19.10 and Above](#)



Issue 4 | Evolved Object Types

Evolved TYPES can lead to Data Pump errors during transportable import:

```
ORA-39083: Object type TABLE:"APPUSER"."CARS" failed to create with error:  
ORA-39218: type check on object type "APPUSER"."CAR_TYPE" failed  
ORA-39216: object type "APPUSER"."CAR_TYPE" hashcode or version number mismatch
```

Further Information:

- [Blog Post: Understand why Data Pump errors with evolved types](#)





Using evolved types in table definitions

--Create a new type. The type is now version 1

--Use the type in a table

```
CREATE TYPE CAR_INFO_TYPE IS OBJECT (model VARCHAR2(40));  
CREATE TABLE CARS (id number, car_info car_info_type);  
INSERT INTO CARS VALUES (1, car_info_type('Volvo V90'));
```

The type is now evolving



--Make a change to the type. The type is now version 2

```
ALTER TYPE CAR_INFO_TYPE ADD ATTRIBUTE horsepower NUMBER CASCADE NOT INCLUDING TABLE DATA;  
INSERT INTO CARS VALUES (2, car_info_type('BMW 530i', 250));
```

Existing data is not updated



--Make another change to the type. The type is now version 3

```
ALTER TYPE CAR_INFO_TYPE ADD ATTRIBUTE color VARCHAR2(20) CASCADE NOT INCLUDING TABLE DATA;  
INSERT INTO CARS VALUES (3, car_info_type('Hyundai Sonata', 160, 'Black'));
```

Evolved Types

```
SELECT * FROM CARS;
```



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



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





Data Pump recreates types during Full Transportable Export/Import

Evolved Types

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

Evolved Types | Possible Solutions

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

[Blog post](#) with details



Issue 5 | Advanced Queueing

Source database

`<queue_table_name>`

`AQ$_<queue_table_name>_E`
`AQ$_<queue_table_name>_I`
`AQ$_<queue_table_name>_T`
`AQ$_<queue_table_name>_F`
`AQ$_<queue_table_name>_C`
`AQ$_<queue_table_name>_D`
`AQ$_<queue_table_name>_G`
`AQ$_<queue_table_name>_H`
`AQ$_<queue_table_name>_L`
`AQ$_<queue_table_name>_P`
`AQ$_<queue_table_name>_S`
`AQ$_<queue_table_name>_V`

Queue table

Queue infrastructure



Target database

`<queue_table_name>`

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



Issue 5 | Advanced Queueing

Queue tables and underlying objects may change during import

- COMPATIBLE **during creation** of queue tables matters
- COMPATIBLE **during import** matters as well
- [\(KB115340\) Understanding How AQ Objects Are Exported And Imported](#)
- [Blog post: Changing data types in queue tables during import](#)

Options:

- Recreate the queue tables with "old" COMPATIBLE setting
- Benefit from new COMPATIBLE setting and test the application





Take into account when comparing source and target databases' object count

- [\(KB115340\) Understanding How Advanced Queueing \(AQ\) Objects Are Exported And Imported](#)



Data Pump does not start queues

- Manually start queues after migration
- Use `DBMS_AQADM.START_QUEUE`

Issue 6 | Default Tablespaces

Due to a security fix export wants to write into the user's default tablespace

- [Bug 27692190](#)
- But default, tablespaces are read-only while full transportable export runs

Workaround:

- Change default tablespace for all users to SYSTEM
- Full Transportable Export
- Full Transportable Import
- Revert default tablespaces back to original in target (and source)



Issue 7 | Exporting Statistics

Exporting statistics is slow using
`DBMS_STATS.EXPORT_SCHEMA_STATS`

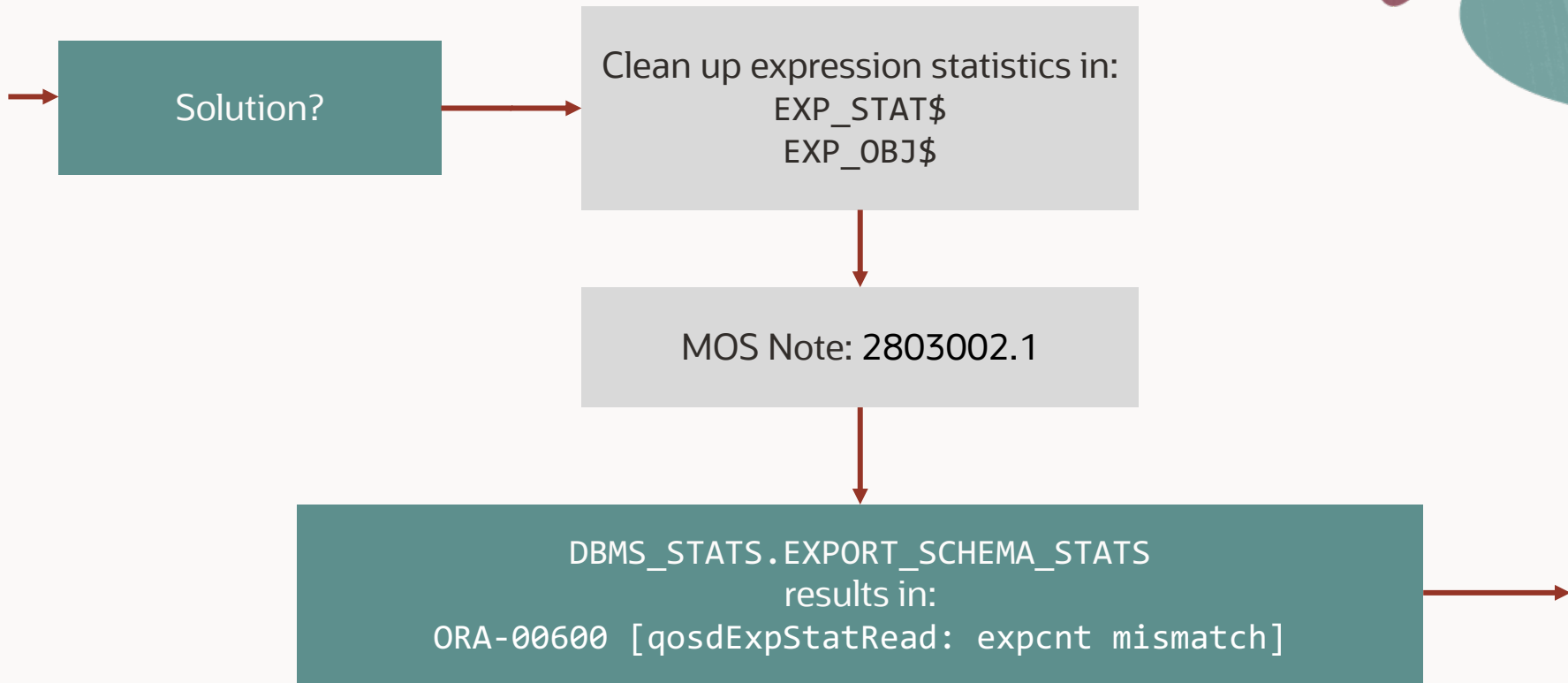


10046 trace reveals long runtime on:
`EXP_STAT$`
`EXP_OBJ$`

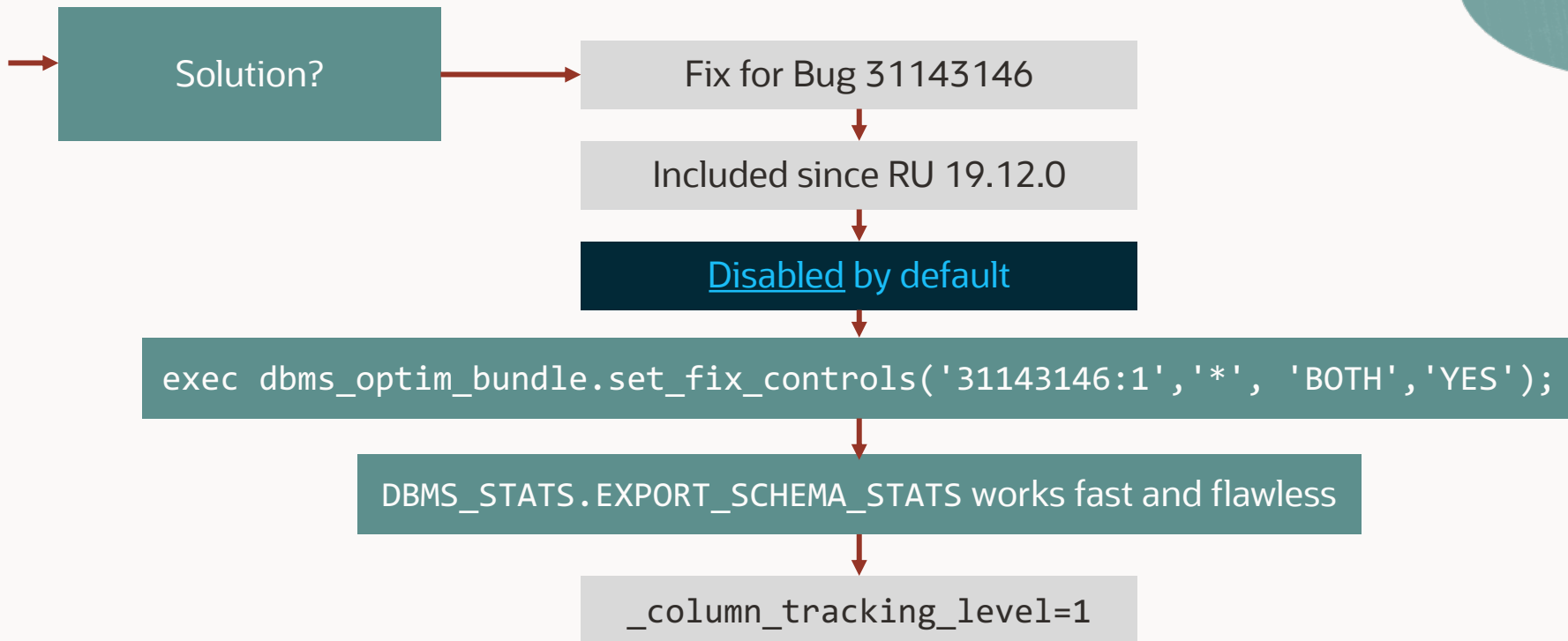
Expression Statistics for Auto-Indexing

Default: `_column_tracking_level=53`

Issue 7 | Exporting Statistics



Issue 7 | Exporting Statistics



Issue 8 | Auditing

Tablespaces containing auditing tables **can't be set read-only**

Data Pump always unloads the audit records into the dump file

- Huge audit trail will lead to a huge dump file and longer outage

Options:

- Export audit records, and eventually import them afterwards
- Archive audit records, purge the audit trail

Key Learnings



- 1 Practice, practice, practice
- 2 Create a detailed runbook
- 3 Work together

AI changes everything



Harvard Business Review

**“AI won’t replace humans -
but humans with AI will
replace humans without AI”**

Karim Lakhani





AI Database



Using AI

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Search Type

Text Search Vector Search

Search

Results

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	Title	Awards	Year	Nominations	Genre
	Goodbye Columbus	NONE	1969	Academy Award for Best Writing, Adapted Screenplay	Romance, Comedy, Family
	The Formula	NONE	2002	NONE	Unknown
	Batman Returns	NONE	1992	Academy Award for Best Makeup and Hairstyling, Academy Award for Best Visual Effects, MTV Movie Award for Best Villain	Film-Noir, Action, Family, Fantasy

Why Batman Returns?

“Motivational Movies about Athletics”

NJQ15253, *Batman Returns*, 1992, https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/en/8/83/Batman_returns_poster2.jpg, 'Film-Noir, Action, Family, Fantasy', 'Academy Award for Best Makeup and Hairstyling, Academy Award for Best Visual Effects, MTV Movie Award for Best Villain', , *Batman Returns* is a 1992 American superhero film directed by Tim Burton and produced by Denise Di Novi and Burton, based on the DC Comics character Batman. The sequel to the 1989 film *Batman* , it is the second installment of Warner Bros. initial *Batman* film series, and stars Michael Keaton as Bruce Wayne / Batman, alongside Danny DeVito, Michelle Pfeiffer, Christopher Walken, Michael Gough, Pat Hingle and Michael Murphy. In *Batman Returns* , Batman faces the Penguin, who plots to kill all of Gotham City's firstborn sons, while dealing with Catwoman, who seeks vengeance against Max Shreck, a corrupt tycoon who allies with the Penguin to bring Gotham City under his control. Burton originally did not want to direct another *Batman* film. Warner Bros. developed a script with Sam Hamm which had the Penguin and Catwoman going after hidden treasure. Burton agreed to return after they granted him more creative control and replaced Hamm with Daniel Waters. Wesley Strick was later chosen to do an uncredited rewrite shortly before filming. This included normalizing dialogue, fleshing out the Penguin's **motivations** and master plan, and removing scenes due to budget concerns. Strick continued working as the on-set writer through filming. Annette Bening was originally cast as Catwoman, but became pregnant and was replaced with Pfeiffer. *Batman Returns* was released on June 19, 1992. It grossed \$266.8 million worldwide on a total budget of \$80 million and received positive reviews. Critics praised its action sequences, performances, Danny Elfman's score, effects and villains, although its dark tone and high level of violence for a PG-13 film, was criticized. The film was nominated for two Academy Awards: Best Visual Effects and Best Makeup, as well as two BAFTA awards. A stand- alone sequel, *Batman Forever* , was released in 1995, with Val Kilmer replacing Keaton as Batman. An alternate comic book continuation, which ignores the events of the subsequent films, will be published by DC Comics starting in July 2021. Keaton is also set to reprise the role of Batman in the DC Extended Universe beginning with *The Flash* (2022).

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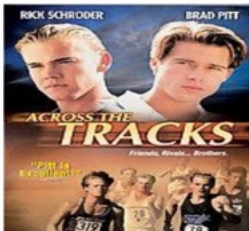

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	Title	Awards	Year	Nominations	Genre
 The poster for 'The Do-Deca-Pentathlon' features two athletes in purple and gold uniforms standing on a laurel wreath. The text at the top reads 'THE DO-DECA-PENTATHLON' and '25 YEARS OF THE DO-DECA-PENTATHLON'. At the bottom, it says 'A HEART OF THE BEAST'.	The Do-Deca-Pentathlon	NONE	2012	NONE	Comedy
 The poster for 'Champions' shows five young athletes sitting on a bench. The text at the top says 'Woody Harrison' and 'CHAMPIONS'. Below that, it reads 'Directed by Rick Warren' and 'Only in Theaters March 10'.	Champions	NONE	2023	NONE	Comedy,Sport
 The poster for 'Across the Tracks' features two young men, Rick Schroder and Brad Pitt, looking serious. The text at the top says 'RICK SCHRÖDER' and 'BRAD PITT'. The title 'ACROSS THE TRACKS' is in large letters, with 'Friends, Rivals, Strangers' below it. At the bottom, it says 'UPH 14 Excellent!'.	Across the Tracks	NONE	1991	NONE	Drama,Action
 The poster for 'Hustle' shows a man in a red hoodie sitting on a bench with a basketball. The title 'HUSTLE' is in large white letters. At the bottom, it says 'IN SELECT THEATERS AND ON DVD'.	Hustle	NONE	2022	NONE	Sport

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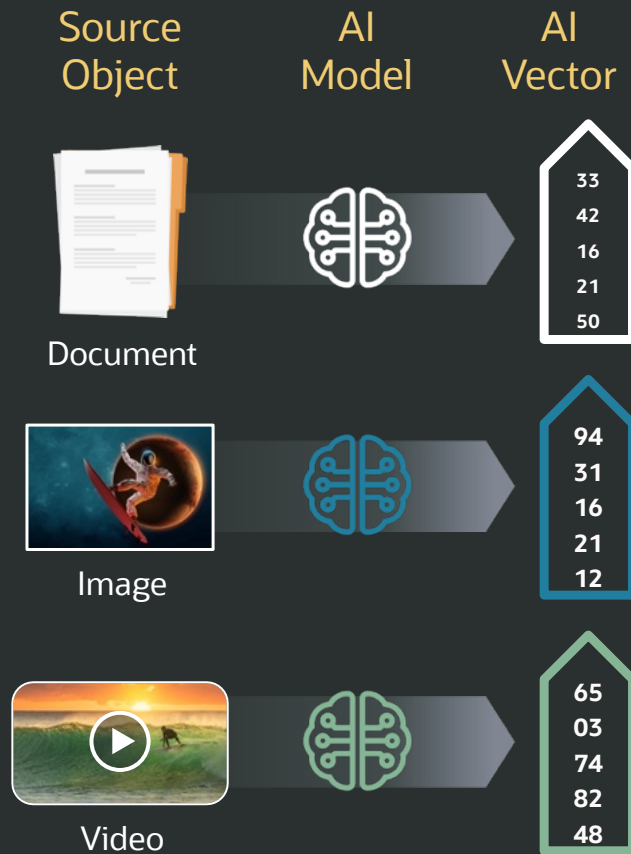
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	Title	Awards	Year	Nominations	Genre
	Champions	NONE	2023	NONE	Comedy,Sport
	Sweetwater	NONE	2023	NONE	Biography,Sport
	80 for Brady	NONE	2023	NONE	Sport,Comedy

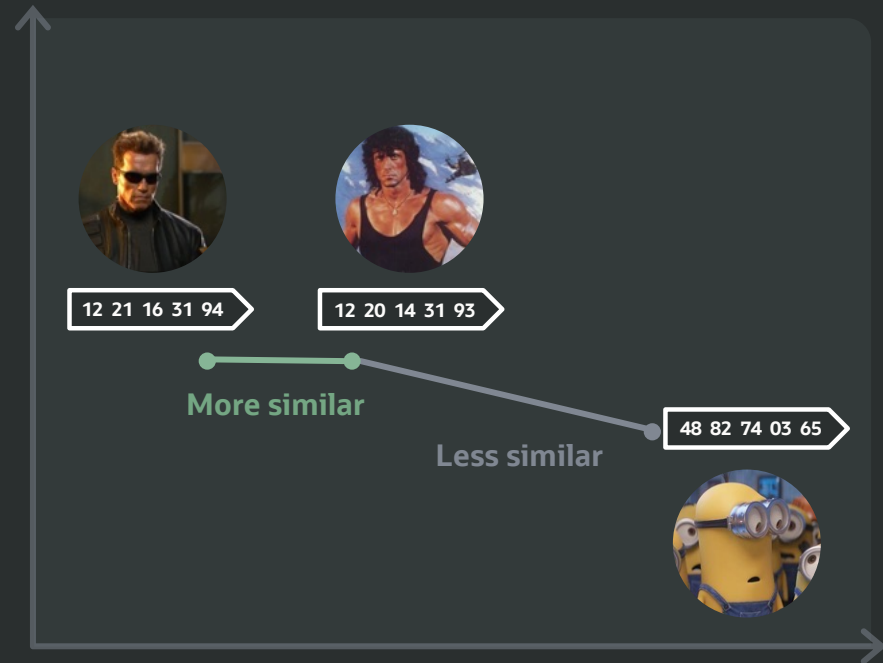
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Key new AI data type: AI Vector

Stores semantic content
of a complex object



Oracle AI Database
can **store** AI vectors and
use them to **find**
similar objects



AI needs **business data** to answer your questions

Finding relevant business data
requires searching **private data**
with **traditional data search**
and **AI Vector Search**

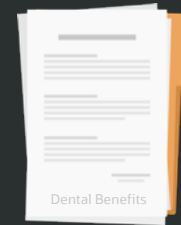


AI Database **unifies** search across traditional data and AI vectors



Does my dental plan cover
braces for my 19-year-old?

Find semantically similar
benefit documents
that are relevant to the
employee



Bring AI search to
both operational and
analytical systems

with just **one extra**
line of SQL



Does my dental plan cover
braces for my 19-year-old?

```
SELECT document
FROM   benefits_documents
WHERE  doc_plan_id IN (SELECT plan_id from emp_plans...)
ORDER BY VECTOR_DISTANCE(:question_vec,
document_vec);
```

Unify AI Vector Search with **all** types of data, not just relational



Vector



Spatial



Graph



Relational



Text

Easily pass results of search to LLM to answer the question



Does my dental plan cover braces for my 19-year-old?

AI Vector Search

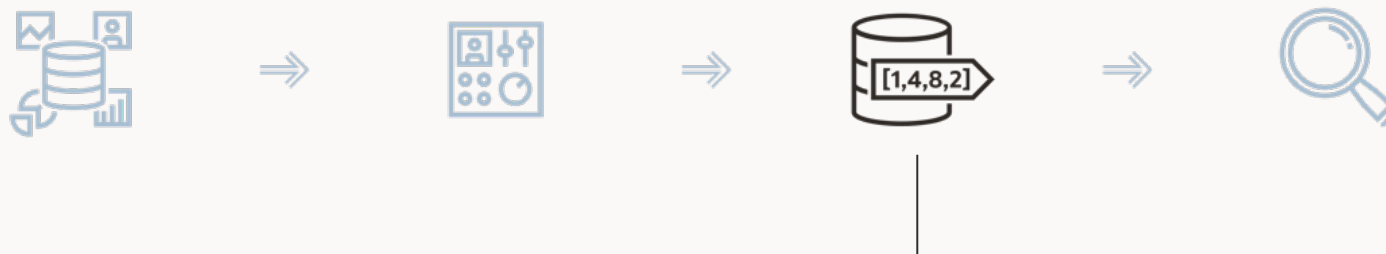


LLM

Yes, your "Dental Plus" plan covers braces for your children until they are 21 years old.

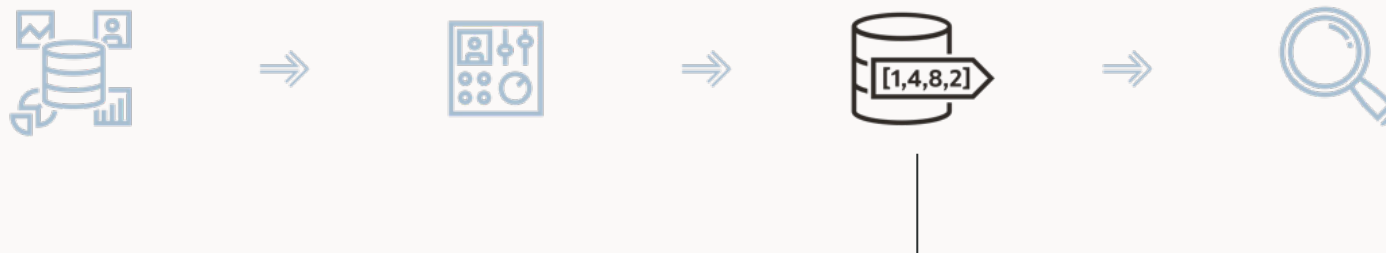
**Retrieval
Augmented
Generation**

Vector Database



- New data type: **VECTOR**
- A vector is
*a numerical representation of data
that captures key features and relationships of the data*

Vector Database



```
CREATE TABLE movies (  
  id          NUMBER,  
  description CLOB,  
  photo       BLOB,  
  my_vector   VECTOR(768, FLOAT32));
```



It's just an array ...



The dimension is
"how many numbers"

Vector Database



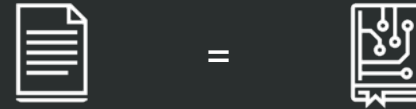
-
- Your data is already in the database
 - How do you perform a semantic search instead of a literal search?



Comparing numbers is trivial

`100 > 50 = true`

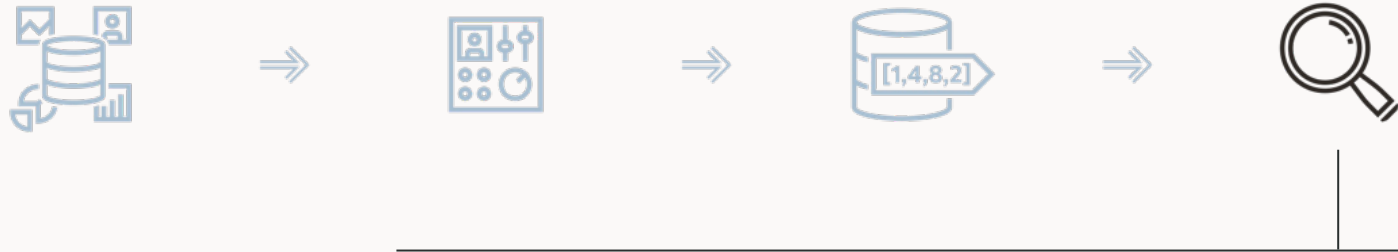
How to compare complex data types?



How to search for search complex data types?



Vector Database



- Search vector data using vector indexes
- Calculate the vector distance





Type of movie



Genre



Mood

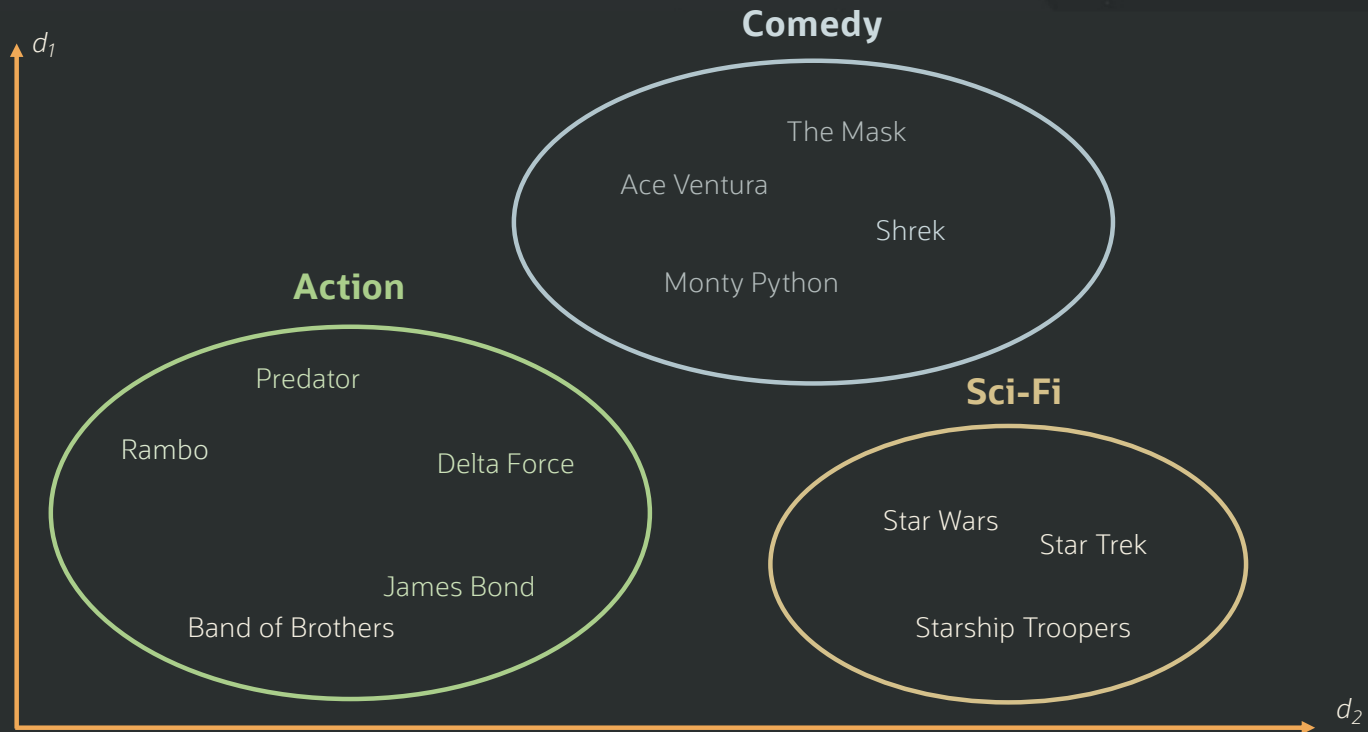


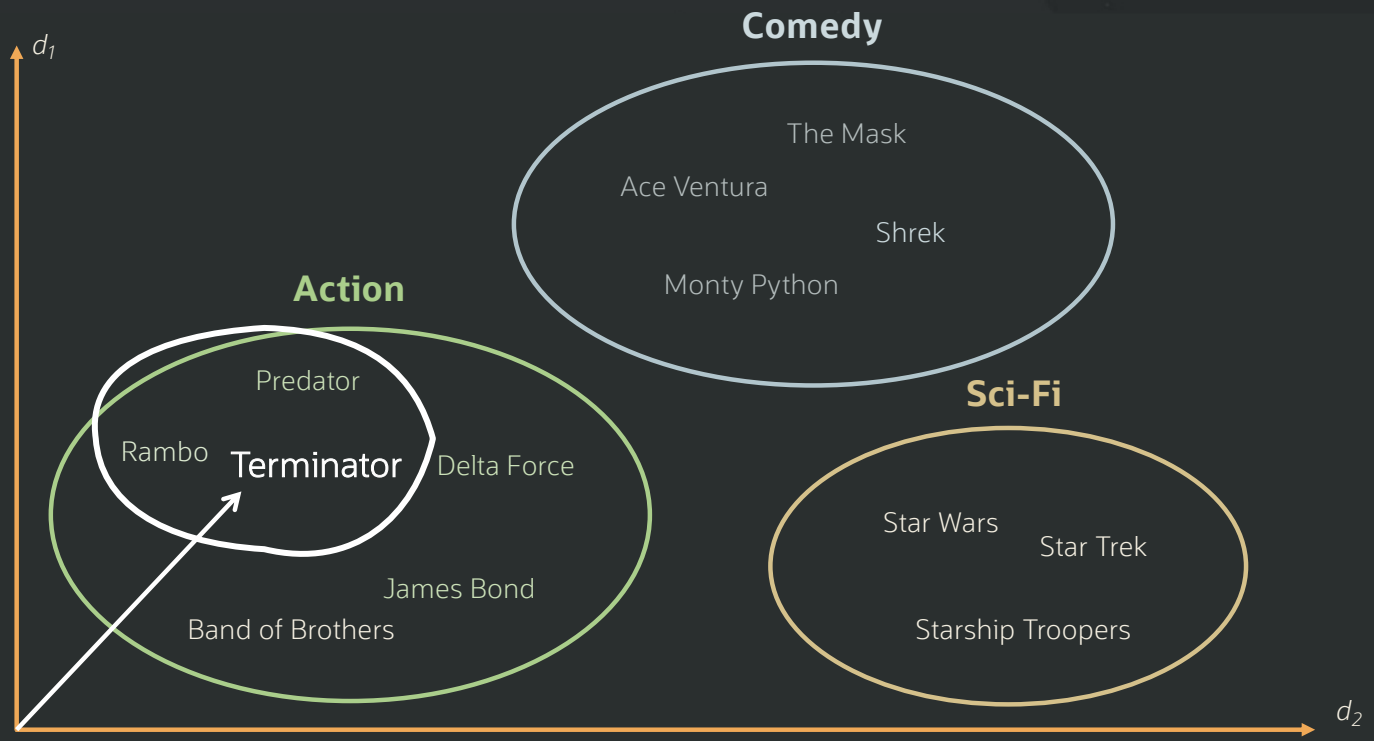
$$\begin{aligned} &\text{Distance (Euclidean Squared)} \\ &= (3-2)^2 + (1-6)^2 + (2-2)^2 + (8-3)^2 \end{aligned}$$

Vector Database



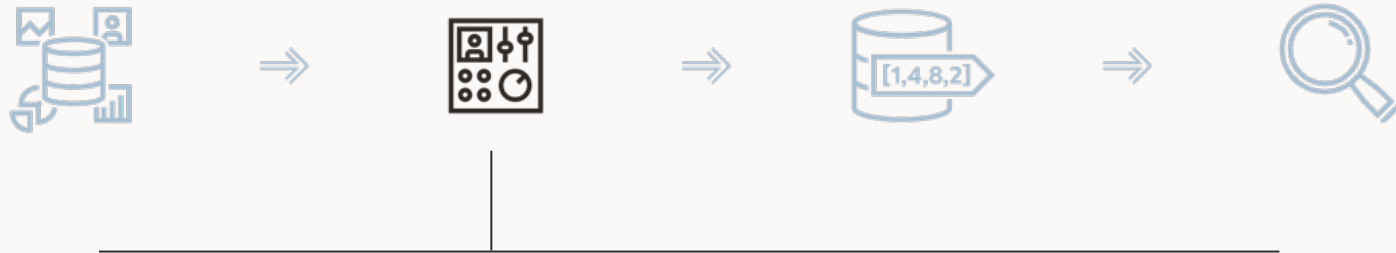
```
SELECT    ...  
FROM      movies  
ORDER BY  vector_distance(movie1, movie2, EUCLIDEAN_SQUARED);
```





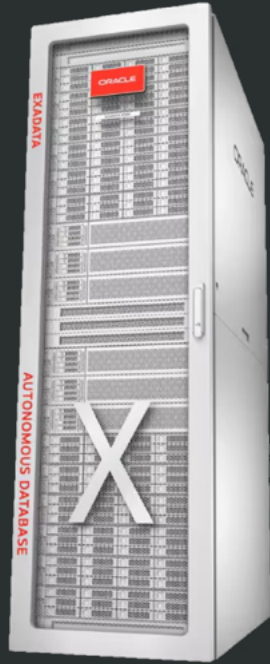
How do you convert your data
into vectors?

Vector Database



- Embedding models transform your data into a vector





10,000 GPU ?

```
DBMS_DATA_MINING.import_onnx_model(  
    model_name => 'All-MiniLM-L6-v2',  
    model_data => 'All-MiniLM-L6-v2.onnx'  
    ...  
);
```



```
INSERT INTO movies
VALUES (:id,
        :description,
        :photo,
        VECTOR_EMBEDDING(All-MiniLM-L6-v2, :description));
```



Vector Database



Vector Database



Vector Database



Vector Database



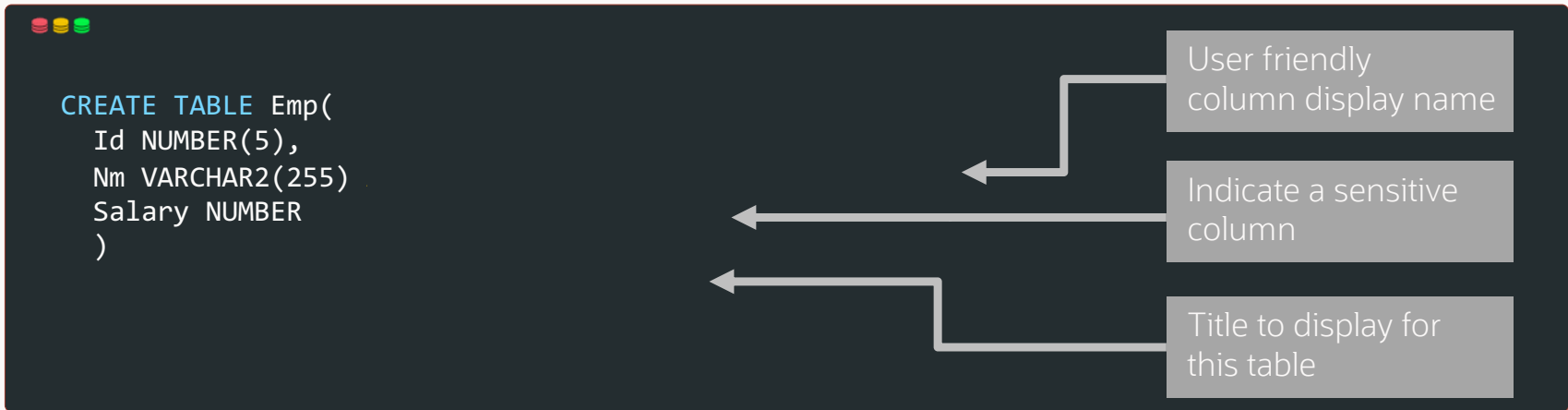


Included in any edition
of Oracle AI Database 26ai

- No extra license required

Oracle AI Database 26ai Annotations

Annotations add **intended usage** to schema elements such as tables, views, columns
User-friendly display names, identify sensitive data, etc.



Annotations can be used by low code frameworks to **generate** user interfaces





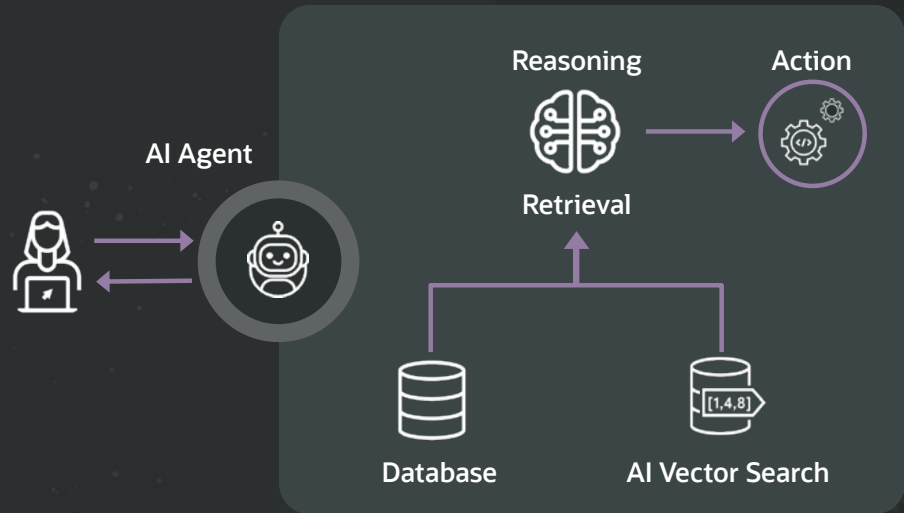
AI Database



Using AI

Architecting Agentic AI into the database

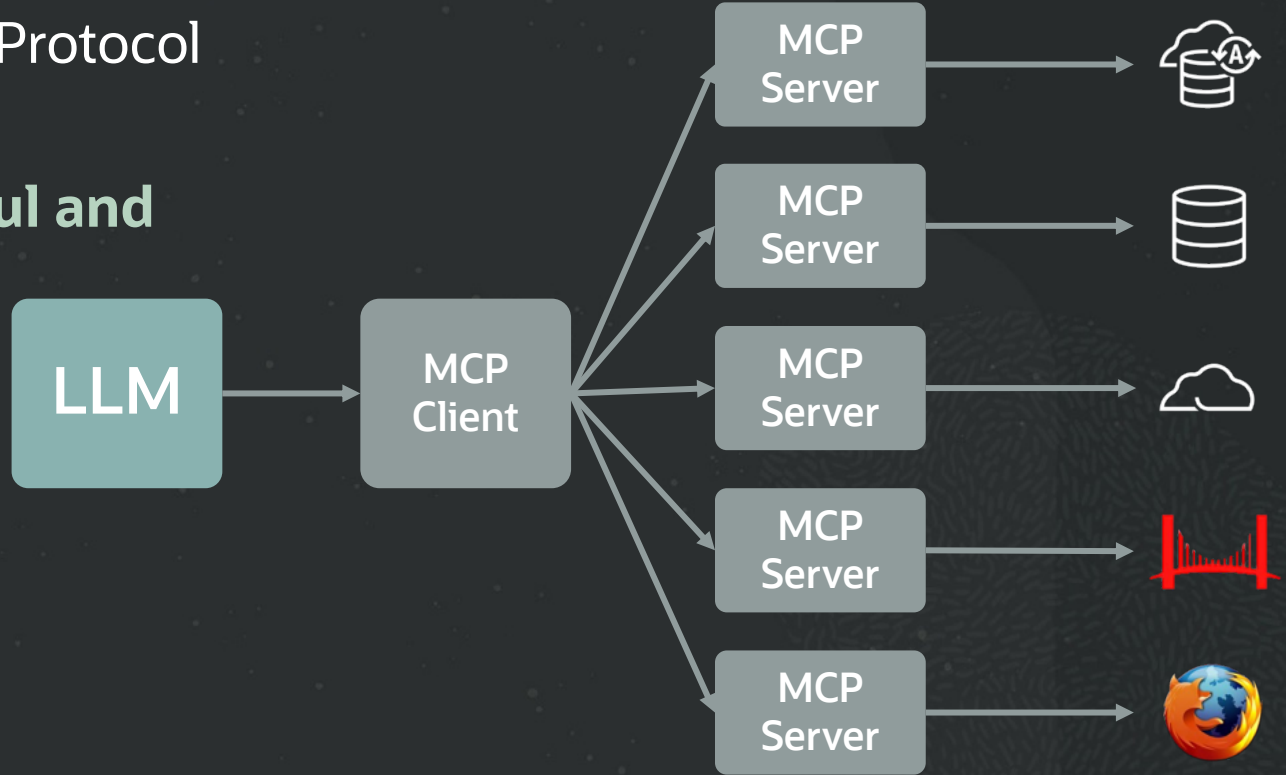
- Select AI Agent
- Private Agent Factory
- SQLcl MCP Server



MCP Server

Model Context Protocol

Enable powerful and
simplistic AI



EXTENSIONS

Search Extensions in Marketplace


INSTALLED 5

- Cline** 504ms
Autonomous coding agent right in your IDE, capable of crea...
Cline
- GitHub Copilot Chat** 404ms
AI chat features powered by Copilot
GitHub
- Oracle Code Assist**
Oracle Code Assist
Oracle
- Oracle SQL Developer Extension for VSCode** 91ms
End-to-end development tools for your SQL and PL/SQL ap...
Oracle Corporation
- GitHub Copilot
Your AI pair programmer
GitHub

RECOMMENDED 3

- SQLTools** 6M 3.5
Connecting users to many of the most commonly used data...
Matheus Teixeira [Install](#)
- Vim** 8.3M 4
Vim emulation for Visual Studio Code
vscodevim [Install](#)

MCP SERVERS


MCP Servers
Browse and install [Model Context Protocol \(MCP\)](#)


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```

CHAT



Build with Agent

AI responses may be inaccurate.

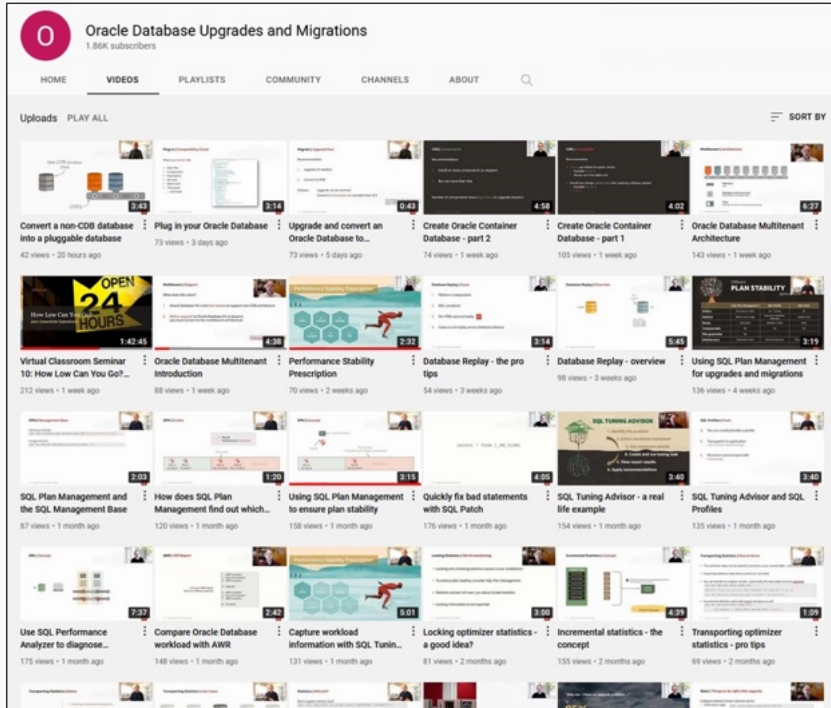
[Generate Agent Instructions](#) to onboard AI onto your codebase.

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Describe what to build next

Agent GPT-5 mini

YouTube Channel



<https://www.youtube.com/@upgradenow>

- 600+ videos
- New videos every week
- No marketing
- No buzzword
- All tech



Thank You
