



# Database 12c "Gems"

## The most valuable under-promoted features



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# Introduction

## Non-Topics: Tom Kyte's 12 Features of Oracle Database 12c

- Can start SQL with PL/SQL
- Improved Defaults and Identity Columns
- Increased Size Limits
- Easy Top End Pagination Queries
- Row Pattern Matching
- Partitioning Improvements
- Adaptive Execution Plans
- Enhanced Statistics
- Temporary Undo
- Data Optimization (ILM)
- Application Continuity and Transaction Guard
- Pluggable Databases



## Topics (1:2)

- Introduction
- New O/S Groups
- New Users with Escalated Privileges
- New Roles
- New System Privils
- New Feature Usage Reports
- Unified Audit Policies



## Topics (2:2)

- SQL
  - Online Clause for DROP CONSTRAINT
  - Advanced Index Compression
  - Alter Index CLEANUP
  - Attribute Clustering
  - Table Invisible Columns
- PL/SQL
  - Predefined Inquiry Directives
  - ACCESSIBLE BY Clause
  - FETCH FIRST Clause
- Built-In Packages
  - SQL Translation Profiles



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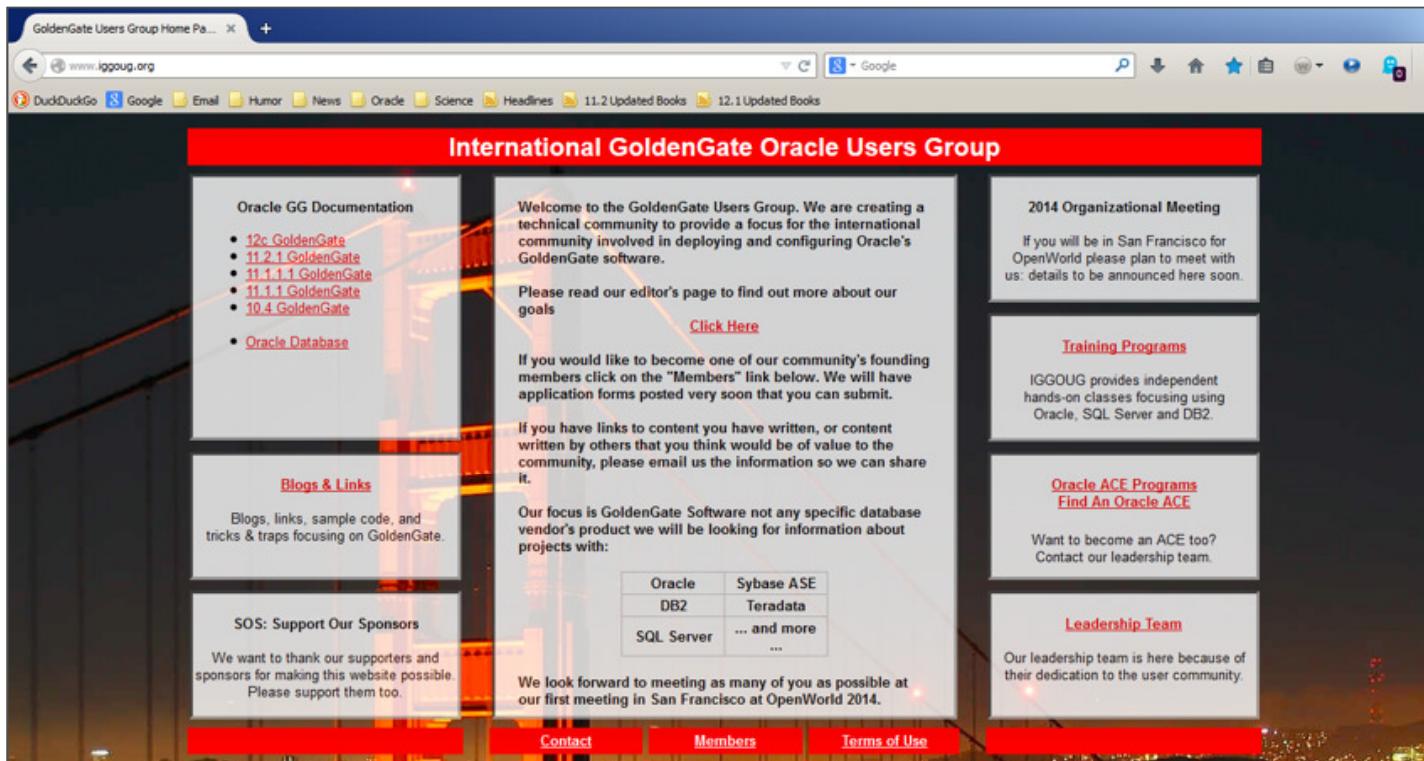
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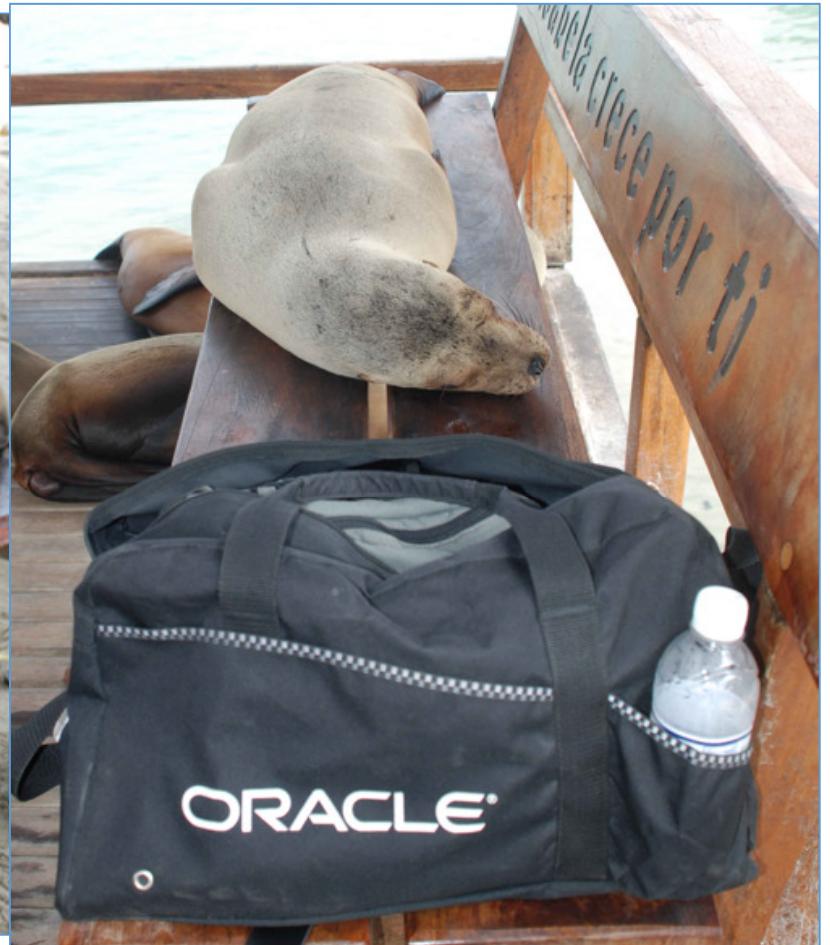
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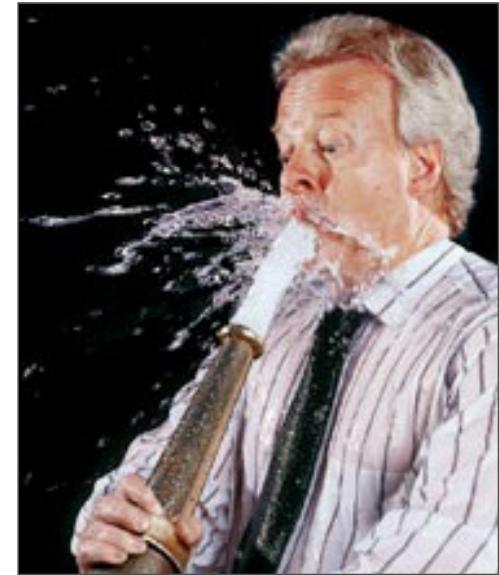
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## New Users with Escalated Privileges

- Legacy
  - SYS
  - SYSTEM
- New
  - SYSBACKUP
  - SYSDG
  - SYSKM

# New System Privileges

- AUDIT\_ADMIN
- AUDIT\_VIEWER
- CAPTURE\_ADMIN
- CDB\_DBA
- OPTIMIZER\_PROCESSING\_RATE
- PDB\_DBA

So far there is no information as to what this table will someday hold and how this new privilege might be used



```
SQL> desc dba_role_privs
Name          Null?    Type
-----
GRANTEE        VARCHAR2(128)
GRANTED_ROLE   VARCHAR2(128)
ADMIN_OPTION    VARCHAR2(3)
DELEGATE_OPTION VARCHAR2(3)
DEFAULT_ROLE    VARCHAR2(3)
COMMON          VARCHAR2(3)

SQL> SELECT *
  2  FROM dba_role_privs
  3* WHERE granted_role = 'OPTIMIZER_PROCESSING_RATE';

GRANTEE  GRANTED_ROLE          ADM  DEL  DEF  COM
-----  -----
DBA      OPTIMIZER_PROCESSING_RATE  NO   NO   YES  YES
SYS      OPTIMIZER_PROCESSING_RATE  YES  NO   YES  YES

SQL> SELECT privilege, table_name
  2  FROM role_tab_privs
  3* WHERE role = 'OPTIMIZER_PROCESSING_RATE';

PRIVILEGE    TABLE_NAME
-----
UPDATE       OPT_CALIBRATION_STATS$
SELECT       OPT_CALIBRATION_STATS$
INSERT       OPT_CALIBRATION_STATS$
DELETE       OPT_CALIBRATION_STATS$
```

## New Roles

- ADMINISTER KEY MANAGEMENT
- ALTER ANY CUBE BUILD PROCESS
- ALTER ANY MEASURE FOLDER
- **ALTER ANY SQL TRANSLATION PROFILE**
- CREATE ANY CREDENTIAL
- **CREATE ANY SQL TRANSLATION PROFILE**
- CREATE CREDENTIAL
- CREATE PLUGGABLE DATABASE
- **CREATE SQL TRANSLATION PROFILE**
- DROP ANY SQL TRANSLATION PROFILE
- EM EXPRESS CONNECT
- EXEMPT ACCESS POLICY
- EXEMPT DDL REDACTION POLICY
- EXEMPT DML REDACTION POLICY
- EXEMPT IDENTITY POLICY
- EXEMPT REDACTION POLICY
- INHERIT ANY PRIVILEGES
- KEEP\_DATE TIME
- KEEP\_SYSGUID
- LOGMINING
- **PURGE DBA\_RECYCLEBIN**
- REDEFINE ANY TABLE
- SELECT ANY CUBE BUILD PROCESS
- SELECT ANY MEASURE FOLDER
- SET CONTAINER
- **SYSBACKUP**
- **SYSDG**
- **SYSKM**
- **TRANSLATE ANY SQL**
- USE ANY SQL TRANSLATION PROFILE

## New Predefined Inquiry Directives

- Predefined Inquiry Directives act like built-in functions, but are not objects such as those in DBA\_OBJECTS
- Predefined Inquiry Directives return values related to compiled PL/SQL objects and are of great value in creating robust debugging and error handling routines

```
SQL> CREATE OR REPLACE PROCEDURE pdid AUTHID DEFINER IS
  2  BEGIN
  3    dbms_output.put_line('I am ' || $$plsql_unit);
  4    dbms_output.put_line('I am owned by ' || $$plsql_unit_owner);
  5    dbms_output.put_line('I am a ' || $$plsql_unit_type);
  6    dbms_output.put_line('I am line ' || $$plsql_line || ' of the source code');
  7  END pdid;
  8 /

SQL> exec pdid
I am PDID
I am owned by SYS
I am a PROCEDURE
I am line 6 of the source code

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.
```

## Container Conversion Functions (1:2)

- Container Identifier Conversion Functions

```
SQL> SELECT con_id, dbid, con_uid, guid
  2  FROM v$pdbs;

  CON_ID      DBID      CON_UID  GUID
  -----  -----  -----
  2        4043696482 4043696482 EF72EF6B4DD0416E821AB0AE16B3A4E4
```

- CON\_NAME\_TO\_ID

- Returns the container ID based on the container's DBID

```
SQL> SELECT con_dbid_to_id(4043696482)
  2  FROM dual;

  CON_DBID_TO_ID(4043696482)
  -----
  2
```

- CON\_GUID\_TO\_ID

- In theory: Returns the container ID based on the container's GUID but so far in tests returns NULL

## Container Conversion Functions (2:2)

- **CON\_NAME\_TO\_ID**
  - Returns the container ID based on the container's name

```
SQL> SELECT con_name_to_id('PDB$SEED')
  2 FROM dual;
```

```
CON_NAME_TO_ID ('PDB$SEED')
-----
2
```

- **CON\_UID\_TO\_ID**
  - Returns the container ID based on the container's UID

```
SQL> SELECT con_uid_to_id(4043696482)
  2 FROM dual;
```

```
CON_UID_TO_ID (4043696482)
-----
2
```

# ORA\_INVOKING Functions

- **ORA\_INVOKING\_USER**
  - Returns the name of the database user who invoked the current statement or view

```
SQL> SELECT ora_invoking_user
  2  FROM dual;
```

```
ORA_INVOKING_USER
```

```
-----
```

```
UWCLASS
```

- **ORA\_INVOKING\_USERID**
  - Returns the user id of the database user who invoked the current statement or view

```
SQL> SELECT ora_invoking_userid
  2  FROM dual;
```

```
ORA_INVOKING_USERID
```

```
-----
```

```
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```

# SHOW Command (SQL\*Plus)

- Show Container Identifier
- Show Container Name

```
C:\Users\oracle>sqlplus / as sysdba

SQL*Plus: Release 12.1.0.2.0 Production on Thu Sep 17 00:31:55 2015

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SQL> sho user
USER is "SYS"
SQL> sho con_id

CON_ID
-----
1
SQL> show con_name

CON_NAME
-----
CDB$ROOT
SQL> ALTER SESSION SET CONTAINER=PDB$SEED;

Session altered.

SQL> sho con_id

CON_ID
-----
2
SQL> show con_name

CON_NAME
-----
PDB$SEED
SQL>
```

## STANDARD\_HASH (1:2)

- Returns a hash value using one of several hash algorithms defined and standardized by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST). This function is useful for performing authentication and maintaining data integrity in security applications such as digital signatures, checksums, and fingerprinting
- `STANDARD_HASH (<value> [ '<hashing_algorithm>' ]) RETURN RAW;`

## STANDARD\_HASH (2:2)

```
SQL> SELECT STANDARD_HASH('Morgan')
  2  FROM dual;

STANDARD_HASH ('MORGAN')
-----
8E4408B475D63385A73AED2FE911DD9818E82FB5

SQL> SELECT STANDARD_HASH('Morgan', 'SHA1')
  2  FROM dual;

STANDARD_HASH ('MORGAN', 'SHA1')
-----
8E4408B475D63385A73AED2FE911DD9818E82FB5

SQL> SELECT STANDARD_HASH('Morgan', 'SHA256')
  2  FROM dual;

STANDARD_HASH ('MORGAN', 'SHA256')
-----
02281B3B5DD57C4643681B8B113C9D56E9B8F1DC8C30A5BBA4C864BDD27D1ED7

SQL> SELECT STANDARD_HASH('Morgan', 'SHA384')
  2  FROM dual;

STANDARD_HASH ('MORGAN', 'SHA384')
-----
D0739D820F3D82ED347EF68626FD6E08DC918CA98DEA41587C213ABEDACA7C25A46712D6E36D79857D775EC4A4CD9586

SQL> SELECT STANDARD_HASH('Morgan', 'SHA512')
  2  FROM dual;

STANDARD_HASH ('MORGAN', 'SHA512')
-----
1E7C57248F1F665BCB46F6CB4FDF4765E1D6C533D4BAA360089FD30530CE82543ECCDB7A0526AEED0F637DBA147DC52DE41823179ECABCF5BBA8D0CE97EEB34F
```

## SYS\_CONTEXT (1:5)

- CDB\_NAME ... container database name

```
SELECT sys_context('USERENV', 'CDB_NAME') FROM dual;

SYS_CONTEXT('USERENV', 'CDB_NAME')
-----
pdbtest
```

- CLIENT\_PROGRAM\_NAME

```
SELECT sys_context('USERENV', 'CLIENT_PROGRAM_NAME') FROM dual;

SYS_CONTEXT('USERENV', 'CLIENT_PROGRAM_NAME')
-----
sqlplus.exe
```

## SYS\_CONTEXT (2:5)

- CON\_ID ... container identifier

```
SELECT sys_context('USERENV', 'CON_ID') FROM dual;

SYS_CONTEXT('USERENV', 'CON_ID')
-----
1
```

- CON\_NAME ... container name

```
SELECT sys_context('USERENV', 'CON_NAME') FROM dual;

SYS_CONTEXT('USERENV', 'CON_NAME')
-----
CDB$ROOT

-- connect to pluggable database
conn uwclass/uwclass@orabase

SYS_CONTEXT('USERENV', 'CON_NAME')
-----
ORABASE
```

## SYS\_CONTEXT (3:5)

- DB\_SUPPLEMENTAL\_LOG\_LEVEL ... level of supplemental logging

```
ALTER DATABASE ADD SUPPLEMENTAL LOG DATA;

SELECT sys_context('USERENV', 'DB_SUPPLEMENTAL_LOG_LEVEL')
FROM dual;

SYS_CONTEXT('USERENV', 'DB_SUPPLEMENTAL_LOG_LEVEL')
-----
MINIMAL
```

DBLINK\_INFO ... returns the source of a database link session

```
SELECT sys_context('USERENV', 'DBLINK_INFO') FROM dual;
```

- IS\_APPLY\_SERVER ... Returns TRUE if queried from within a SQL Apply server in a logical standby database

```
SELECT sys_context('USERENV', 'IS_APPLY_SERVER') FROM dual;

SYS_CONTEXT('USERENV', 'IS_APPLY_SERVER')
-----
FALSE
```

## SYS\_CONTEXT (4:5)

- IS\_DG\_ROLLING\_UPGRADE ... Returns TRUE if a rolling upgrade of the database software in a Data Guard configuration, initiated by way of the DBMS\_ROLLING package, is active

```
SELECT sys_context('USERENV', 'IS_DG_ROLLING_UPGRADE') FROM dual;

SYS_CONTEXT('USERENV', 'IS_DG_ROLLING_UPGRADE')
-----
FALSE
```

- ORACLE\_HOME ... returns the environment value of \$ORACLE\_HOME

```
SELECT sys_context('USERENV', 'ORACLE_HOME') FROM dual;

SYS_CONTEXT('USERENV', 'ORACLE_HOME')
-----
c:\app\oracle\product\12.1.0\dbhome_1
```

## SYS\_CONTEXT (5:5)

- PLATFORM\_SLASH ... returns the forward or back-slash for the operating system environment

```
SELECT sys_context('USERENV', 'PLATFORM_SLASH') FROM dual;

SYS_CONTEXT ('USERENV', 'PLATFORM_SLASH')
-----
/
```

- SCHEDULER\_JOB ... Returns Y if the current session belongs to a foreground job or background job

```
SELECT sys_context('USERENV', 'SCHEDULER_JOB') FROM dual;

SYS_CONTEXT ('USERENV', 'SCHEDULER_JOB')
-----
N
```

## Write Messages To The Alert Log

- Undocumented but appears to be an attempt to move the four named PL/SQL objects out of DBMS\_SYSTEM and into the new package DBMS\_LOG
- Contains 4 objects
  - KSDDDT
    - Prints the date stamp to the target file (alert log and/or trace file)
  - KSDFLS
    - Flushes any pending output to the target alert log or trace file
  - KSDIND
    - Indents before the next write (ksdwrt) by printing that many colons (:) before the next write
  - KSDWRT
    - Prints a message to the target file (alert log and/or trace file)

```
exec dbms_system.ksdwrt(3, '-- Start Message --');
exec dbms_system.ksdwrt(3, 'Test Message');
exec dbms_system.ksdwrt(dbms_system.alert_file, '-- End Message --');
```

# Credentials

- New 12cR1 built-in package: DBMS\_CREDENTIAL
- Interface for authenticating and impersonating EXTPROC callout functions, as well as external jobs, remote jobs and file watchers from the SCHEDULER
- Contains 5 objects
  - CREATE\_CREDENTIAL
  - DISABLE\_CREDENTIAL
  - DROP\_CREDENTIAL
  - ENABLE\_CREDENTIAL
  - UPDATE\_CREDENTIAL

```
DECLARE
  cname  user_credentials.credential_name%TYPE := 'UWCRED';
  uname  user_credentials.username%TYPE := 'UWCLASS';
  pwd    sys.scheduler$_credential.password%TYPE := 'ZzYzX6*';
  dbrole VARCHAR2(30) := NULL;
  wdom   sys.scheduler$_credential.domain%TYPE := NULL;
  comment user_credentials.comments%TYPE := 'Test Cred';
  enable  BOOLEAN := FALSE;
BEGIN
  dbms_credential.create_credential(cname, uname, pwd, dbrole, wdom, comment, enable);
END;
/

SELECT *
  FROM scheduler$_credential;
```

## Data Redaction (1:2)

- New 12cR1 built-in package: DBMS\_REDACT
- Contains 8 objects
  - ADD\_POLICY
    - Define a redaction policy on a table or view ALTER POLICY
  - ALTER\_POLICY
    - Alter a data redaction policy
  - DISABLE\_POLICY
    - Disable a data redaction policy
  - DROP\_POLICY
    - Drop a data redaction policy
  - ENABLE\_POLICY
    - Enable a disabled data redaction policy
  - FPM\_MASK
    - Apply format-preserving Data Redaction to the input
  - FPM\_UNMASK
    - Remove a format-preserving Data Redaction from the input

## Data Redaction (2:2)

- UPDATE\_FULL\_REDACTION\_VALUES
  - Update replacements for full redaction

```
-- syntax
dbms_redact.add_policy(
  object_schema          IN VARCHAR2 := NULL,
  object_name            IN VARCHAR2,
  policy_name            IN VARCHAR2,
  policy_description     IN VARCHAR2 := NULL,
  column_name             IN VARCHAR2 := NULL,
  column_description      IN VARCHAR2 := NULL,
  function_type           IN BINARY_INTEGER := dbms_redact.full,
  function_parameters     IN VARCHAR2 := NULL,
  expression              IN VARCHAR2,
  enable                  IN BOOLEAN := TRUE,
  regexp_pattern          IN VARCHAR2 := NULL,
  regexp_replace_string    IN VARCHAR2 := NULL,
  regexp_position          IN BINARY_INTEGER := 1,
  regexp_occurrence        IN BINARY_INTEGER := 0,
  regexp_match_parameter   IN VARCHAR2 := NULL);
```

# Partitioning Support

- New 12cR1 built-in package: DBMS\_PART
- Contains 3 objects
  - CLEANUP\_GIDX
    - Gathers the list of global indexes where optimized asynchronous index maintenance has taken place to clean up entries pointing to data segments that no longer exist

```
-- syntax
dbms_part.cleanup_gidx(schema_name_in IN VARCHAR2 DEFAULT NULL,
                        table_name_in  IN VARCHAR2 DEFAULT NULL);

-- example
exec dbms_part.cleanup_gidx('SH');

exec dbms_part.cleanup_gidx(NULL, 'SALES');

exec dbms_part.cleanup_gidx('SH', 'SALES');
```

- CLEANUP\_ONLINE\_OP
  - Clean up failed online move operations

```
dbms_part.cleanup_online_op(
schema_name      IN VARCHAR2 DEFAULT NULL,
table_name       IN VARCHAR2 DEFAULT NULL,
partition_name   IN VARCHAR2 DEFAULT NULL);
```

# Password Verify Function (1:3)

- \$ORACLE\_HOME/rdbms/admin/utlpwdmg.sql

```
CREATE OR REPLACE FUNCTION ora12c_verify_function
```

```
Rem
Rem $Header: rdbms/admin/utlpwdmg.sql /main/9 2013/11/07 08:58:18 jkati Exp $
Rem
Rem utlpwdmg.sql
Rem
Rem Copyright (c) 2006, 2013, Oracle and/or its affiliates.
Rem All rights reserved.
Rem
Rem      NAME
Rem      utlpwdmg.sql - script for Default Password Resource Limits
Rem
Rem      DESCRIPTION
Rem      This is a script for enabling the password management features
Rem      by setting the default password resource limits.
Rem
Rem      NOTES
Rem      This file contains a function for minimum checking of password
Rem      complexity. This is more of a sample function that the customer
Rem      can use to develop the function for actual complexity checks that the
Rem      customer wants to make on the new password.
Rem
Rem      MODIFIED      (MM/DD/YY)
Rem      jkati        10/16/13 - bug#17543726 : remove complexity_check,
Rem                                         string_distance, ora12c_strong_verify_function
Rem                                         since we now provide them by default with new db
Rem                                         creation
```

# Password Verify Function (2:3)

```
-- This script alters the default parameters for Password Management
-- This means that all the users on the system have Password Management
-- enabled and set to the following values unless another profile is
-- created with parameter values set to different value or UNLIMITED
-- is created and assigned to the user.

ALTER PROFILE DEFAULT LIMIT
PASSWORD_LIFE_TIME 180
PASSWORD_GRACE_TIME 7
PASSWORD_REUSE_TIME UNLIMITED
PASSWORD_REUSE_MAX UNLIMITED
FAILED_LOGIN_ATTEMPTS 10
PASSWORD_LOCK_TIME 1
PASSWORD_VERIFY_FUNCTION ora12c_verify_function;
```

## Password Verify Function (3:3)

- Note that the following part of the script is commented out ... not what I would want if I was responsible for database security

```
/**  
The below set of password profile parameters would take into consideration  
recommendations from Center for Internet Security[CIS Oracle 11g].  
  
ALTER PROFILE DEFAULT LIMIT  
PASSWORD_LIFE_TIME 90  
PASSWORD_GRACE_TIME 3  
PASSWORD_REUSE_TIME 365  
PASSWORD_REUSE_MAX 20  
FAILED_LOGIN_ATTEMPTS 3  
PASSWORD_LOCK_TIME 1  
PASSWORD_VERIFY_FUNCTION ora12c_verify_function;  
*/  
  
/**  
The below set of password profile parameters would take into  
consideration recommendations from Department of Defense Database  
Security Technical Implementation Guide[STIG v8R1].  
  
ALTER PROFILE DEFAULT LIMIT  
PASSWORD_LIFE_TIME 60  
PASSWORD_REUSE_TIME 365  
PASSWORD_REUSE_MAX 5  
FAILED_LOGIN_ATTEMPTS 3  
PASSWORD_VERIFY_FUNCTION ora12c_strong_verify_function;  
*/
```

## Patching (1:2)

- New 12cR1 built-in package: DBMS\_QOPATCH
- Contains 25 objects
- Examples
  - GET\_OPATCH\_FILES
    - Returns the list of files modified in the given patch number in XML format
  - GET\_OPATCH\_FILES
    - Returns a list of files modified in the given patch number in XML format
  - GET\_OPATCH\_INSTALL\_INFO
    - Returns the XML element containing the ORACLE\_HOME details such as patch and inventory location
  - GET\_OPATCH\_LIST
    - Returns a list of installed patches
  - GET\_OPATCH\_LSINVENTORY
    - Returns the complete opatch inventory
  - GET\_OPATCH\_PREREQUISITES
    - Returns prerequisite patches for a given patch as XML element

## Patching (2:2)

```
SELECT dbms_qopatch.get_opatch_bugs
FROM dual;

<bugInfo>
  <bugs xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance">
    <bug id="17352756">
      <UID>FlexibleDataType-7b5f507b-b2cf-4321-bb00-e39aab61cea4</UID>
      <description>QPATCH DIRECTORIES – OPATCH_LOG_DIR &amp; OPATCH_SCRIPT_DIR INCORRECTLY DEFINED.</description>
    </bug>
  </bugs>
</bugInfo>
```

```
SELECT dbms_qopatch.get_opatch_files('17352756')
FROM dual;
```

```
DBMS_QOPATCH.GET_OPATCH_FILES('17352756')
```

```
-----<patchFiles>
  <patchID xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance">17352756</patchID>
  <files xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance">
    <file>execqopi.sql</file>
    <file>17352756_apply.sql</file>
    <file>17352756_rollback.sql</file>
  </files>
</patchFiles>
```

## Pluggable Database Support (1:2)

- New 12cR1 built-in package: DBMS\_PDB
- Contains 14 objects
- Examples
  - CHECK\_PLUG\_COMPATIBILITY
    - Determines whether a pluggable database described by file pdb\_descr\_file is compatible with the current CDB
  - DESCRIBE
    - Generates XML describing tablespaces and datafiles belonging to a pluggable database
  - SYNC\_PDB
    - After plug, syncs the PDB with the CDB, so that it will be ready for use
  - UPDATE\_CDBVW\_STATS
    - Updates CDB View Stats
  - UPDATE\_VERSION
    - Update PDB's VSN in container\$ after upgrade

# Pluggable Database Support (2:2)

```
conn / as sysdba

ALTER PLUGGABLE DATABASE pdborcl CLOSE;

ALTER PLUGGABLE DATABASE pdborcl OPEN READ ONLY;

exec dbms_pdb.describe('/home/oracle/pdborcl.xml', 'PDBORCL');

BEGIN
  IF dbms_pdb.check_plug_compatibility('/home/oracle/pdborcl.xml', 'PDBDEV') THEN
    dbms_output.put_line('TRUE');
  ELSE
    dbms_output.put_line('FALSE');
  END IF;
END;
/

SELECT *
FROM pdb_plug_in_violations;
```

## Privilege Capture (1:2)

- New 12cR1 built-in package: DBMS\_PRIVILEGE\_CAPTURE
- Contains 5 objects
  - CREATE\_CAPTURE
    - Creates a privilege analysis policy to show privilege use by database users
  - DISABLE\_CAPTURE
    - Disables a defined capture so it no longer captures privileges
  - DROP\_CAPTURE
    - Drops a defined capture
  - ENABLE\_CAPTURE
    - Enables a defined capture to capture privileges
  - GENERATE\_RESULT
    - Loads captured privilege information into the data dictionary

# Privilege Capture (2:2)

```
conn sys@pdbdev as sysdba

BEGIN
  dbms_privilege_capture.create_capture('UWPrivCapt', 'Privilege Capture Demo', dbms_privilege_capture.g_database);
  dbms_privilege_capture.enable_capture('UWPrivCapt');
  dbms_privilege_capture.disable_capture('UWPrivCapt');
  dbms_privilege_capture.generate_result('UWPrivCapt');
END;
/

desc dba_priv_captures
desc dba_used_privs

col username format a15
col object_owner format a15
col object_name format a20
col obj_priv format a12

SELECT username, object_owner, object_name, obj_priv
FROM dba_used_objprivs
WHERE username = 'OE';

exec dbms_privilege_capture.drop_capture('UWPrivCapt');
-- the rows in dba_used_objprivs are deleted when the Capture is dropped.
```

## Rolling Upgrades (1:2)

- New 12cR1 built-in package: DBMS\_ROLLING
- Contains 8 objects
  - BUILD\_PLAN
    - Either builds a complete upgrade plan or modifies the remaining unprocessed portion of an existing plan
    - The build procedure interprets the configured rolling upgrade parameters to produce a customized upgrade plan
  - DESTROY\_PLAN
    - Purges all rolling upgrade state from the database
    - Called on completion of a rolling upgrade
  - FINISH\_PLAN
    - Executes the FINISH phase instructions in the upgrade plan
  - INIT\_PLAN
    - The first procedure that must be called to prepare for a DBMS\_ROLLING administered rolling upgrade
    - Communicates with the complete set of databases in the DG\_CONFIG, and creates a default set of rolling upgrade parameters for building a rolling upgrade plans

# Rolling Upgrades (2:2)

- **ROLLBACK\_PLAN**
  - Rolls back the group of administered PDBs to their initial state
  - The package creates an initial set of guaranteed restore points for all participating PDBs
  - Flashbacks back all PDBs in the leading change group to their respective restore points if the switchover has not been performed
- **SET\_PARAMETER**
  - 2 overloads)
  - Called to set and unset rolling upgrade parameters
  - Changes to the plan parameters do not take effect until the user re-invokes the BUILD procedure to reconstruct the upgrade plan
- **START\_PLAN**
  - Executes the START phase instructions in the upgrade plan
  - It is the first procedure that is called to initiate the rolling upgrade
  - Upon completion of this phase, the future primary will be ready to be upgraded
- **SWITCHOVER**
  - Executes the SWITCHOVER phase instructions in the upgrade plan
  - Called once the START procedure has completed execution of all START phase instructions

## Row Level Security aka Virtual Private Database

- The DBMS\_STATS package has been in the Oracle Database since version 8.1.5 but Oracle keeps adding to its capabilities
- New in 12cR1
  - ADD\_GROUPED\_POLICY
    - Add a row level security policy to a policy group for a table or view
  - ALTER\_GROUPED\_POLICY
    - Alter a row level security policy of a policy group
  - ALTER\_POLICY
    - Alter a row level security policy

## SQL Plan Management Directives (1:2)

- New 12cR1 built-in package: DBMS\_SPD
- Contains 9 objects
  - ALTER\_SQL\_PLAN\_DIRECTIVE
    - Change attributes of a SQL Plan Directive
  - CREATE\_STG\_TAB\_DIRECTIVE
    - Creates a staging table to pack SQL Plan directives for export
  - DROP\_SQL\_PLAN\_DIRECTIVE
    - Drop an existing SQL Plan Directive
  - FLUSH\_SQL\_PLAN\_DIRECTIVE
    - Manually flushes a SQL Plan directives that has been automatically recorded in SGA memory while executing SQL statements
  - GET\_PREFS
    - Returns the retention value preferences for SQL Plan Directives
  - PACK\_STGTAB\_DIRECTIVE
    - Exports SQL Plan Directives into a staging table

# SQL Plan Management Directives (2:2)

- **SET\_PREFS**
  - Setting different preferences for SQL Plan Directives
- **UNPACK\_STGTAB\_DIRECTIVE**
  - Unpacks (imports) SQL Plan Directives from a staging table

```
DECLARE
  packing_list dbms_spd.objecttab := dbms_spd.ObjectTab();
  dir_cnt number;
BEGIN
  packing_list.extend(1);
  packing_list(1).owner := 'SH'; -- schema name
  packing_list(1).object_name := null; -- all tables in SH
  packing_list(1).object_type := 'TABLE'; -- type of object

  dir_cnt := dbms_spd.unpack_stgtab_directive('mydirtab', obj_list => packing_list);
  dbms_output.put_line('Unpacked ' || TO_CHAR(dir_no) || ' directives');
END;
/
```

## SQL Plan Management (1:3)

- New 12cR1 built-in package: DBMS\_SPM
- Contains 23 new 12cR1 objects
  - ACCEPT\_SQL\_PLAN\_BASELINE
    - Accept a plan based on the recommendation of an evolve task
  - CANCEL\_EVOLVE\_TASK
    - Cancels a currently executing evolve task
  - CREATE\_EVOLVE\_TASK (2 overloads)
    - Creates an advisor task and sets its parameters
  - DROP\_EVOLVE\_TASK
    - Drops an evolved task
  - DROP\_SQL\_PLAN\_BASELINE
    - Drops a single plan, or all plans associated with a SQL statement
  - EXECUTE\_EVOLVE\_TASK
    - Executes a previously created evolve task
  - IMPLEMENT\_EVOLVE\_TASK
    - Implements a plan based on the recommendation of an evolve task

## SQL Plan Management (2:3)

- **INTERRUPT\_EVOLVE\_TASK**
  - Interrupts a currently executing evolve task
- **REPORT\_AUTO\_EVOLVE\_TASK**
  - Displays the results of an execution of an automatic evolve task
- **REPORT\_EVOLVE\_TASK**
  - Displays the results of an evolved task
- **RESET\_EVOLVE\_TASK**
  - Restarts an evolve task
- **RESUME\_EVOLVE\_TASK**
  - Resume an evolve task
- **SET\_EVOLVE\_TASK\_PARAMETER** (2 overloads)
  - Sets a parameter of an evolve task

# SQL Plan Management (3:3)

```
BEGIN
  dbms_sql_translator.register_error_translation(profile_name => 'UW_SQLTRANS', error_code => 1, translated_code => 2601);
END;
/

BEGIN
  dbms_sql_translator.register_sql_translation(
    profile_name => 'UW_SQLTRANS',
    sql_text => 'select top 5 * from emp',
    translated_text => 'select * from emp where rownum <= 5');
END;
/
```

# SQL Translation Profiles

- New 12cR1 built-in package: DBMS\_SQL\_TRANSLATOR
- Contains 18 objects
- Example objects
  - REGISTER\_ERROR\_TRANSLATION
    - Registers a custom translation of an Oracle error code and SQLSTATE in a SQL translation profile
  - REGISTER\_SQL\_TRANSLATION
    - Registers a custom translation of a SQL statement in a SQL translation profile

```
BEGIN
  dbms_sql_translator.register_error_translation(profile_name => 'UW_SQLTRANS', error_code => 1, translated_code => 2601);
END;
/

BEGIN
  dbms_sql_translator.register_sql_translation(
    profile_name => 'UW_SQLTRANS',
    sql_text => 'select top 5 * from emp',
    translated_text => 'select * from emp where rownum <= 5');
END;
/
```

## Transparent Sensitive Data Protection (1:3)

- New 12cR1 built-in package: DBMS\_TSDP\_MANAGE
- Provides an interface to import and manage sensitive columns and sensitive column types in the database, and is used in conjunction with the DBMS\_TSDP\_PROTECT package with regard to transparent sensitive data protection (TSDP) policies
- Contains 9 objects
  - ADD\_SENSITIVE\_COLUMN
  - ADD\_SENSITIVE\_TYPE
  - ALTER\_SENSITIVE\_COLUMN
  - DROP\_SENSITIVE\_COLUMN
  - DROP\_SENSITIVE\_TYPE
  - DROP\_SENSITIVE\_TYPE\_SOURCE
  - IMPORT\_DISCOVERY\_RESULT
  - IMPORT\_SENSITIVE\_TYPES
  - REMOVE\_DISCOVERY\_RESULT

## Transparent Sensitive Data Protection (2:3)

- New 12cR1 built-in package: DBMS\_TSDP\_PROTECT
- Provides an interface to configure transparent sensitive data protection (TSDP) policies in conjunction with the DBMS\_TSDP\_MANAGE package
- Contains 10 objects
  - ADD\_POLICY
  - ALTER\_POLICY
  - ASSOCIATE\_POLICY
  - DISABLE\_PROTECTION\_COLUMN
  - DISABLE\_PROTECTION\_SOURCE
  - DISABLE\_PROTECTION\_TYPE
  - DROP\_POLICY
  - ENABLE\_PROTECTION\_COLUMN
  - ENABLE\_PROTECTION\_SOURCE
  - ENABLE\_PROTECTION\_TYPE

# Transparent Sensitive Data Protection (3:3)

```
DECLARE
    redact_feature_opts dbms_tsdp_protect.feature_options;
    pol_conditions      dbms_tsdp_protect.policy_conditions;
BEGIN
    redact_feature_opts('expression') := 'SYS_CONTEXT(''USERENV'', ''SESSION_USER'') = ''SYS''';
    redact_feature_opts ('function_type') := 'DBMS_REDACT.PARTIAL';
    redact_feature_opts ('function_parameters') := 'STR, VVVVVVVVV, VVVVVVVVV, *, 1, 6';
    pol_conditions (DBMS_TSDP_PROTECT.DATATYPE) := 'VARCHAR2';

    dbms_tsdp_protect.alter_policy('PARTIAL_MASK', redact_feature_opts, pol_conditions);
END;
/
```

# Unified Audit Policies

- Like traditional auditing but Audit Policies are new to Database 12c and make possible substantial improvements in the way auditing is defined which is of great value when deploying a container database
- DDL Variants
  - CREATE
  - ALTER
  - DROP

```
CREATE AUDIT POLICY uw_priv_clause PRIVILEGES ALTER ANY TABLE;

CREATE AUDIT POLICY uw_actions_clause ACTIONS LOGOFF, ALL ON sys.user$;

CREATE AUDIT POLICY uw_actions_component ACTIONS COMPONENT = datapump EXPORT;

CREATE AUDIT POLICY uw_role_clause ROLES DBA;

CREATE AUDIT POLICY uw_multi_clause PRIVILEGES ALTER ANY TABLE
ACTIONS LOGOFF ROLES DBA;

CREATE AUDIT POLICY uw_full_clause PRIVILEGES ALTER ANY TABLE
ACTIONS LOGOFF ROLES DBA
WHEN 'SYS_CONTEXT(''USERENV'', ''ISDBA'') = ''TRUE'''
EVALUATE PER STATEMENT
CONTAINER = ALL;
```

## DBMS\_METADATA

- In the Oracle Database since version 9.0.1 but Oracle keeps adding to its capabilities
- New in 12cR1
  - GET\_INDPART\_TS
    - Returns the tablespace number for the tablespace of a partitioned index component from KU\$\_INDEX\_VIEW

```
SQL> SELECT object_id
  2 FROM dba_objects
  3 WHERE object_name = (
  4 SELECT index_name
  5 FROM dba_ind_partitions
  6 WHERE rownum = 1);
```

OBJECT\_ID

```
-----  
8610  
18124  
93318  
93632  
93631  
93456
```

```
SQL> SELECT dbms_metadata.get_indpart_ts(8610)
  2 FROM dual;
```

DBMS\_METADATA.GET\_INDPART\_TS(8610)

```
-----  
1
```

## DBMS\_REDEFINITION

- DBMS\_REDEFINITION has been in the Oracle Database since version 9.0.1 but Oracle keeps adding to its capabilities
- New in 12cR1
  - FINISH\_REDEF\_TABLE
    - Has new CONTINUE\_AFTER\_ERRORS and DML\_LOCK\_TIMEOUT parameters
  - REDEF\_TABLE
    - Provides a single push-button interface that integrates several redefinition steps
  - START\_REDEF\_TABLE
    - Has new COPY\_VPD\_OPT and CONTINUE\_AFTER\_ERRORS parameters
  - SYNC\_INTERIM\_TABLE
    - Has new CONTINUE\_AFTER\_ERRORS parameter

## ORIGINAL\_SQL\_TXT

- This is undocumented ... but what great functionality for auditing

```
SQL> conn sys@pdbdev as sysdba

SQL> CREATE OR REPLACE TRIGGER test
  2  AFTER GRANT
  3  ON DATABASE
  4  DECLARE
  5      stmnt_list dbms_standard.ora_name_list_t;
  6      n          PLS_INTEGER;
  7  BEGIN
  8      IF (ora_sysevent = 'GRANT') THEN
  9          n := dbms_standard.original_sql_txt(stmnt_list);
 10          dbms_output.put_line(TO_CHAR(n));
 11          dbms_output.put_line(stmnt_list(n));
 12      END IF;
 13  END test;
 14  /

SQL> GRANT all ON tab$ TO scott;
 1
GRANT all ON tab$ TO scott

Grant succeeded.
```

## DBMS\_STATS (1:2)

- The DBMS\_STATS package has been in the Oracle Database since version 8.1.5 but Oracle keeps adding to its capabilities
- New in 12cR1
  - Some functions replaced by Constants
  - CLOB\_TO\_VARRAY
    - Converts a CLOB to multiple elements of a VARRAY
  - DELETE\_DATABASE\_STATS
  - DELETE\_PENDING\_SYSTEM\_STATS
  - DELETE\_PROCESSING\_RATE
  - EXPORT\_PENDING\_SYSTEM\_STATS
  - EXPORT\_STATS\_FOR\_DP
  - EXPORT\_SYSTEM\_STATS
  - GATHER\_PROCESSING\_RATE
  - GET\_STAT\_TAB\_VERSION
  - IMPORT\_STATS\_FOR\_DP

## DBMS\_STATS (2:2)

- PUBLISH\_PENDING\_SYSTEM\_STATS
- REMAP\_STAT\_TABLE
- REPORT\_GATHER\_AUTO\_STATS
- REPORT\_GATHER\_DATABASE\_STATS
- REPORT\_GATHER\_DICTIONARY\_STATS
- plus 6 more ...

```
SQL> DECLARE
  2  c CLOB;
  3  v ds_varray_4_clob;
  4  BEGIN
  5    c := 'A' || RPAD('A', 3999) || RPAD('B', 4000) || RPAD('C', 2000);
  6    dbms_output.put_line(TO_CHAR(LENGTH(c)));
  7    v := dbms_stats.clob_to_varray(c);
  8    dbms_output.put_line(v.COUNT);
 9* END;
10 /
10000
3

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.
```

## Conclusion

- If the only thing you are going to get out of an Oracle Database is columns and rows you are wasting your money
- There are, of course, a lot of valuable capabilities in the Oracle Database you can leverage for an extra licensing fee ... and I like a lot of them ...
  - Active Data Guard
  - Advanced Compression
  - Advanced Security
  - Partitioning
- But there is a staggering amount of value in the many database extensions that are included in the license agreement you already purchased
- I encourage you to learn how they work ... and to make them work for you

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**ERROR at line 1:  
ORA-00028: your session has been killed**

# Thank You

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