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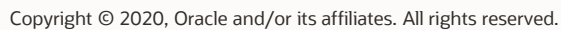
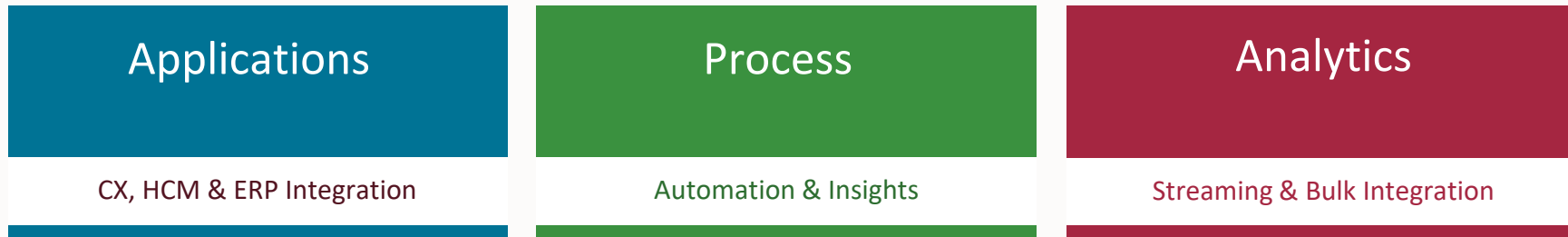


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Application Integration Patterns



SaaS to SaaS



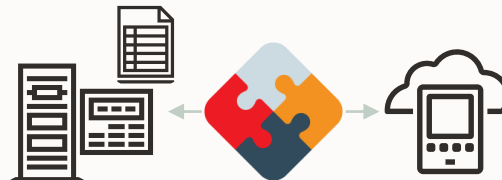
SaaS to On-Prem



On-Prem to SaaS



Bulk Load/Export to/from SaaS with MFT/SFTP



Bulk Load/Export to/from SaaS



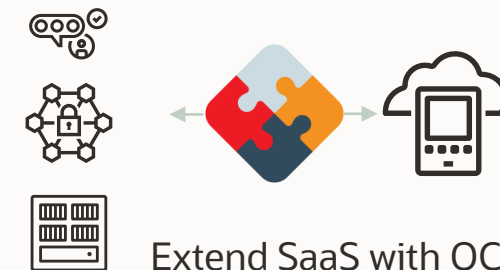
Lift and Shift App/SOA to Cloud



Extend SaaS with OIC Process



Extend SaaS with OIC VBCS



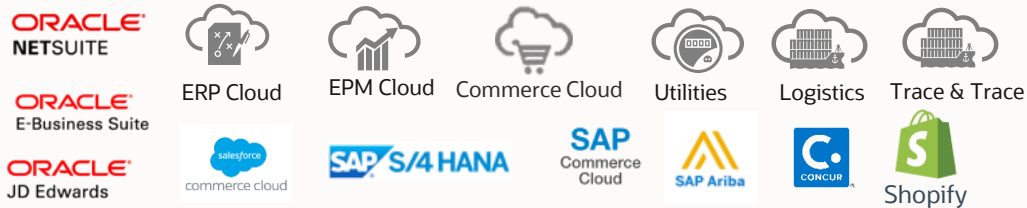
Extend SaaS with OCI

Enterprise connectivity

Prebuilt adapters for cloud, on-premises, Oracle, non-Oracle, and custom apps

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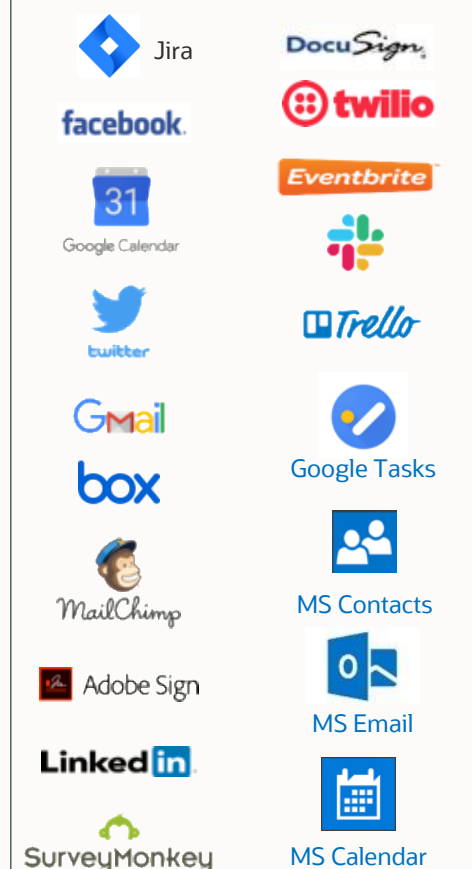
ERP Connectivity



HCM Connectivity



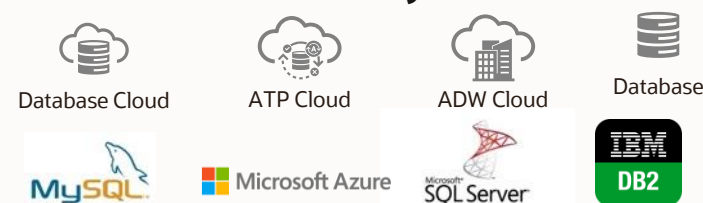
Productivity and Social



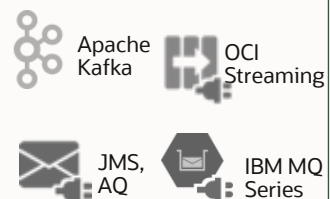
CX Connectivity



Database Connectivity



Enterprise Messaging



Technology Connectivity



RPA Connectivity



Future Proof

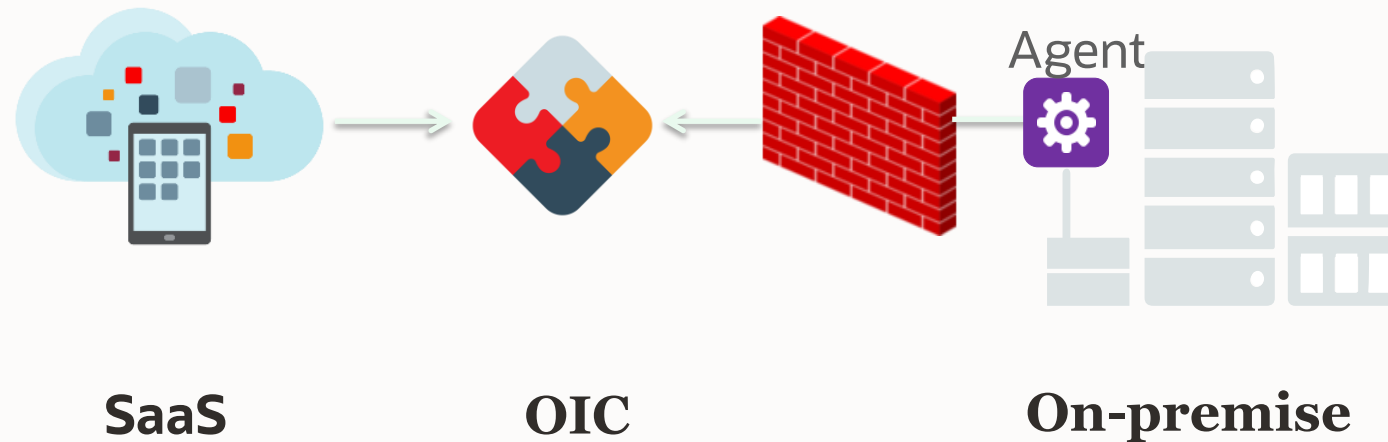


Limit maintenance and upgrade costs
Oracle supported



Oracle OIC Agents

for SaaS and On-premises integration



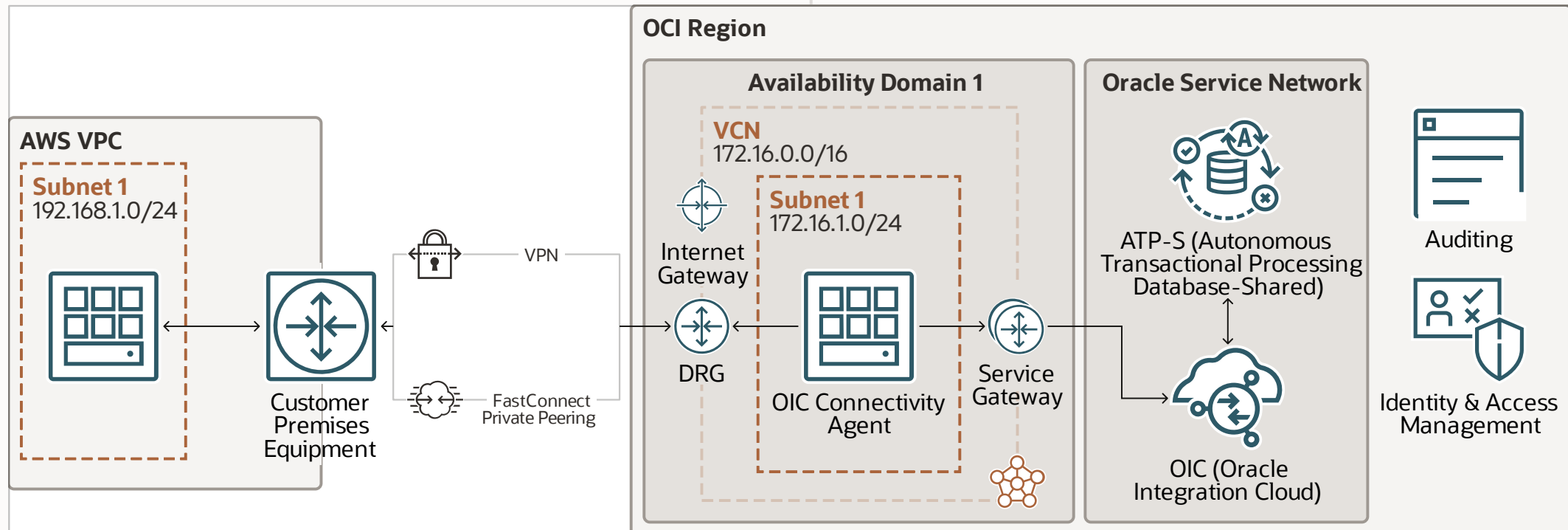
- Enables secure integration with on-premises systems without firewall pin-holes
- Brokers all communications between both OIC UI Designer and Runtime and the on-premises systems.
- No DMZ components required (however can cohabit with it)
- Only requires HTTPS (443) access to the outside world
- OIC will never reach into the customer's data center
- Communication is always initiated from on-premises upstream via the Agent
- Ground Agent dis-allows any explicit inbound connections. Connection always established to ORACLE cloud.
- Uses JCA adapters and JCA framework to invoke on-premises application endpoints.

Multi-cloud Private Network Connectivity Through OIC

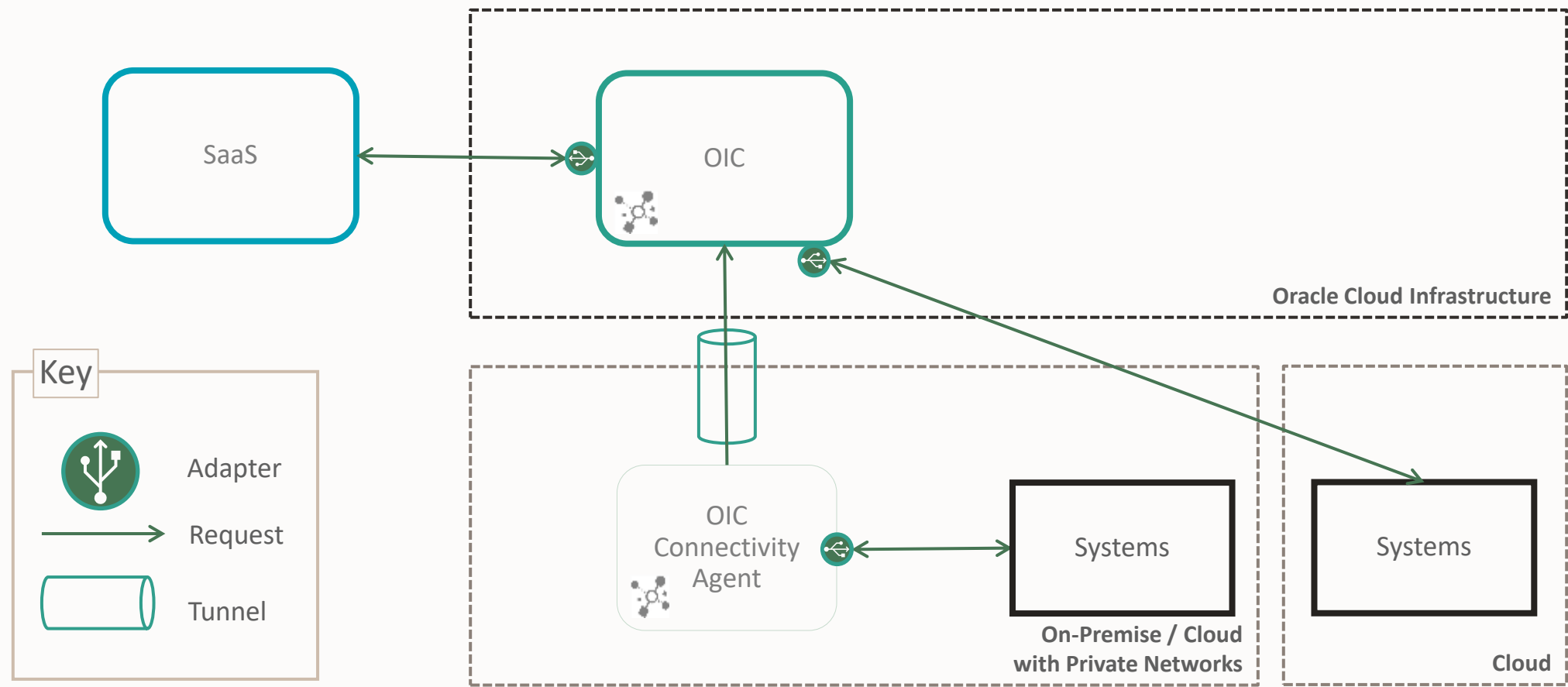
Reference Architecture

- [Prebuilt application integration](#) and [process automation](#) for quick connectivity.
- Gain [end-to-end visibility](#) across SaaS, custom, and on-premises apps.
- [No-code dataflow designer for ETL/E-LT](#) to accelerate data science and analytics.

- Design, execute, and monitor [data mesh](#) replication and [stream data processing](#).
- [Expose your APIs](#) for developers and partners to create new business models.
- Real-time, serverless, Apache Kafka-compatible [event streaming](#).

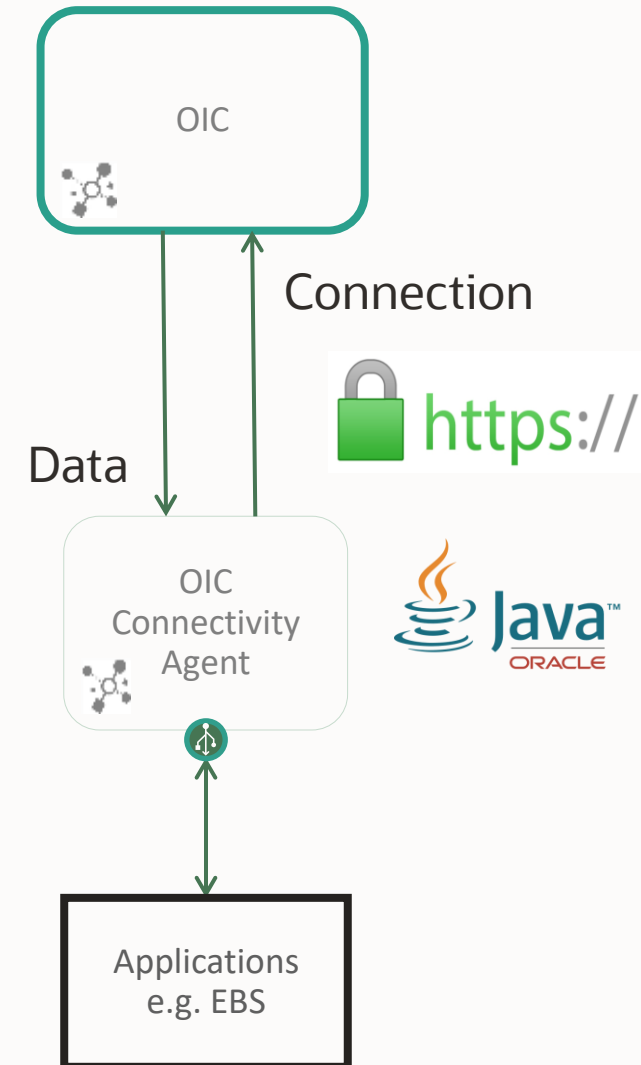


Hybrid Integrations using OIC

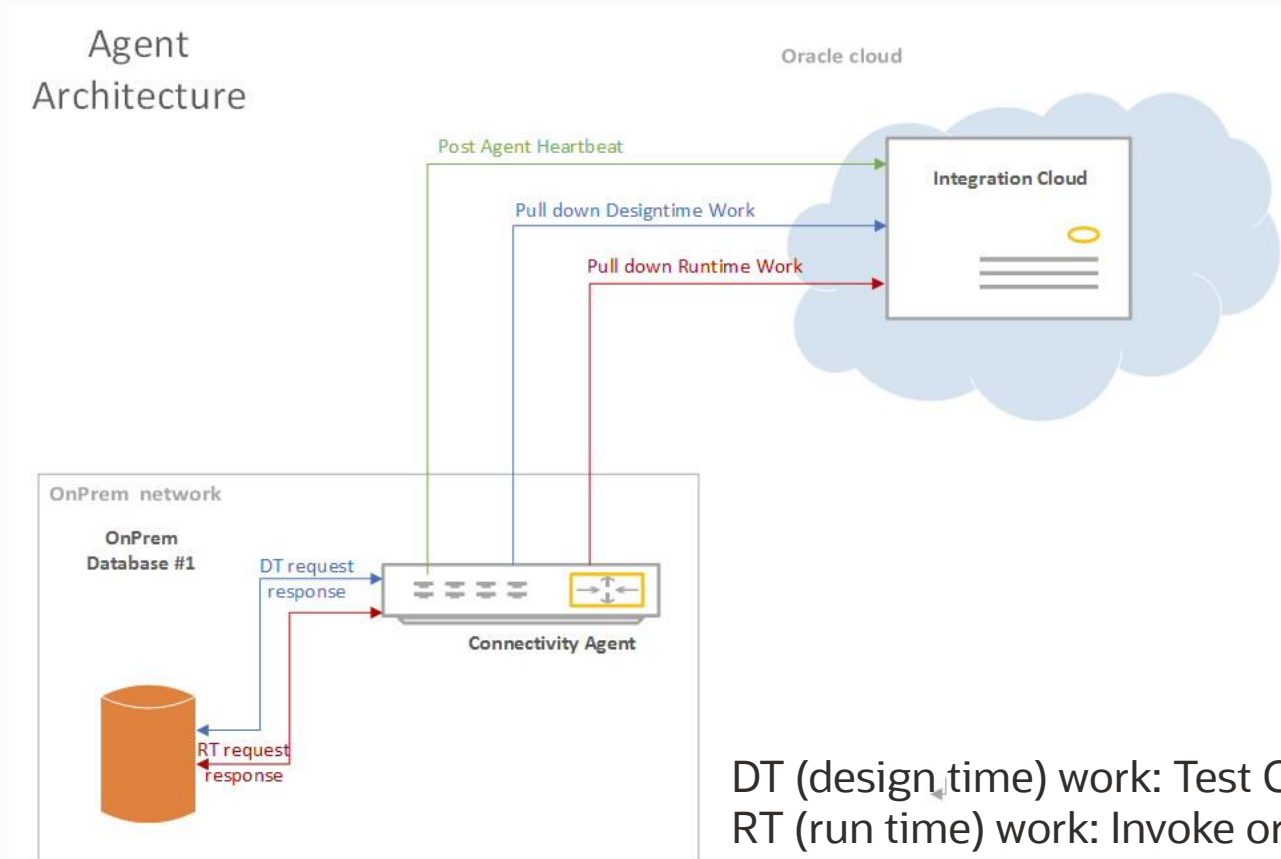


Protocols & Technologies

- Java Based Agent
 - Runs Adapters Locally
- All Network Traffic Uses HTTPS
 - Connection Initiated by Agent
- Use Existing Proxy Server
- No Inbound Ports Opened
- Only Port 443 (HTTPS) Outbound



Agent Architecture



DT (design time) work: Test Connection, Activation, Deactivation requests
RT (run time) work: Invoke or Trigger requests

- From a network perspective, the agent should be co-located in the same network as the end system for best performance.
- Ideally, there should be no firewall in the network route between agent and end system.
- The agent is capable of routing OIC-bound requests and on-premise requests through a proxy server.

Source: <https://www.ateam-oracle.com/post/ics-connectivity-agent-concepts-and-best-practices>

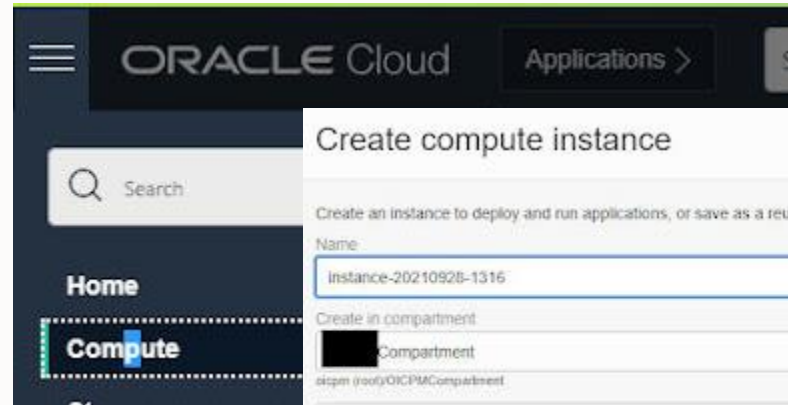
Installing OIC Connectivity Agent

Prerequisites

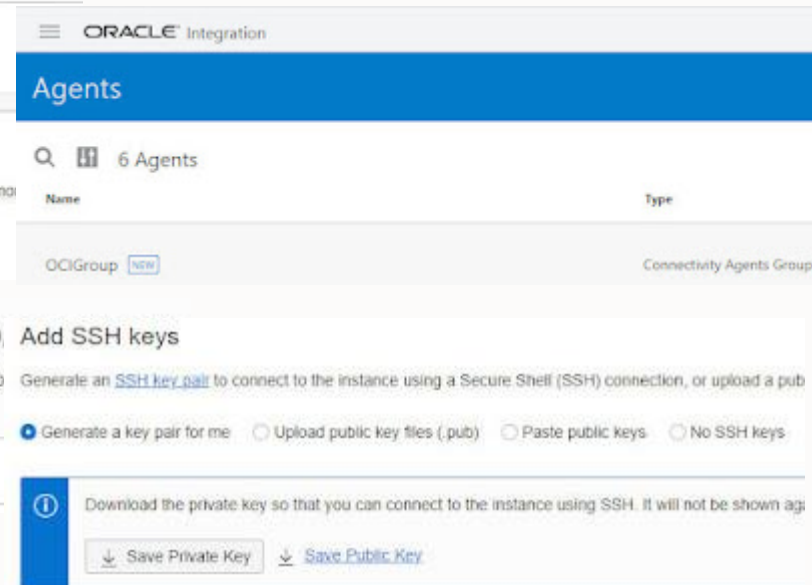
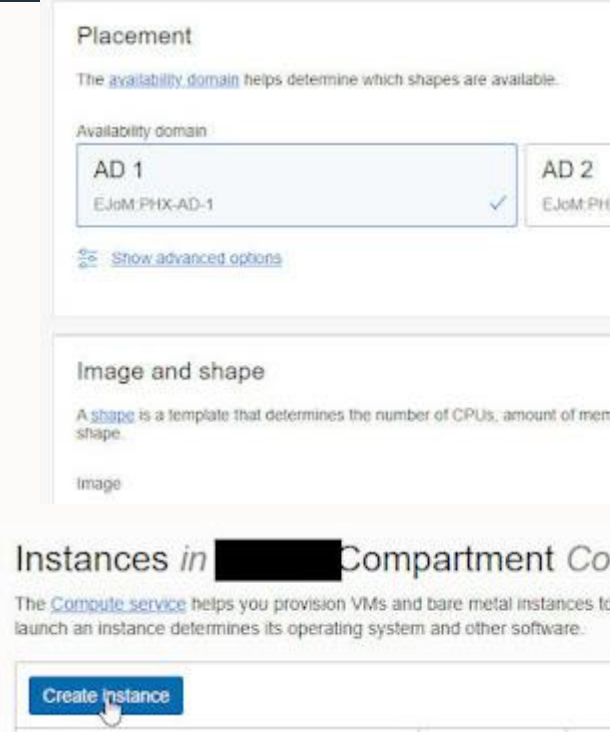
– WAD deployment view

HL Steps

1. OCI Foundation Provisioning
2. Set-up Networking
3. Create Agent Group
4. Download OIC Installer
5. Download Configuration
6. Install OIC Connectivity Agent
7. Run OIC Connectivity Agent
8. Verify Agent Registered
9. Use Agent Group in OIC Connection



```
opc@instance4connagent:~/SeptConnAgent
$ ./oic_conn_agent_installer.sh
$ nano InstallerProfile.cfg
$ vi InstallerProfile.cfg
$ java -version
version "1.8.0_301"
(TM) SE Runtime Environment (build 1.8.0_301-b09)
HotSpot(TM) 64-Bit Server VM (build 25.301-b09, mixed mode)
$ java -jar connectivityagent.jar
leading to install a new agent ...
Enter your OIC username : niall.comiskey@oracle.com
Enter password for niall.comiskey@oracle.com :
Proxy Configuration Detected
Looking for trusted certificates ...
Making call to check OIC Version ...
Making call to check Agent group availability ...
Making Agent with configuration details ...
Making call to register new agent instance ...
Making call for getting agent app id & keys...
Agent with Agent installation & configuration... Starting Agent for message processing...
Agent started successfully...Now available for new messages...
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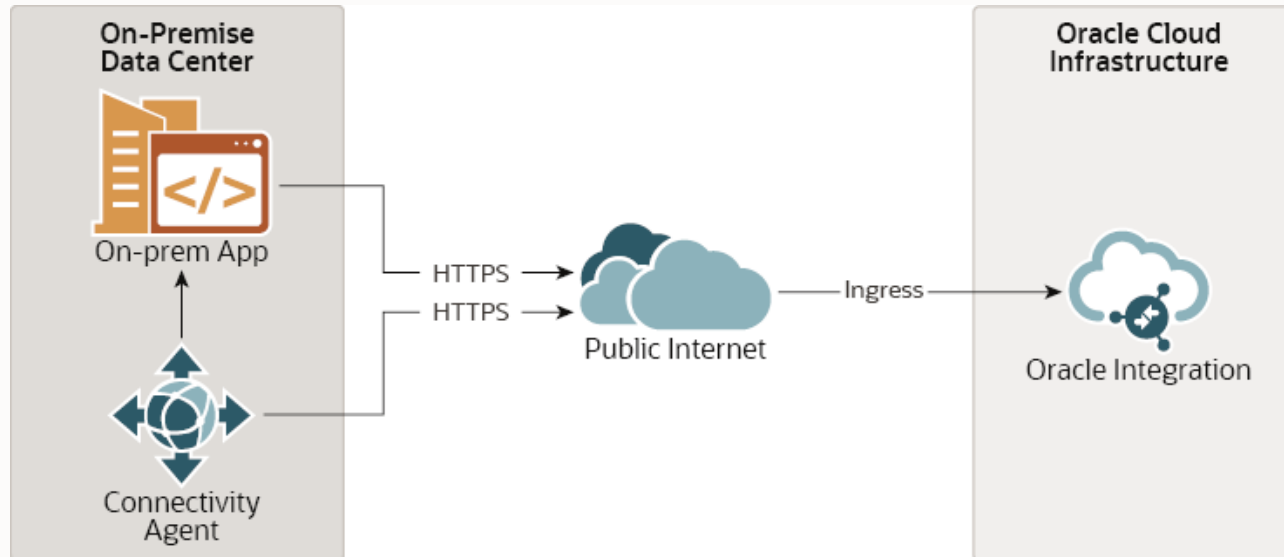
Optional DEMO

OIC connectivity to private OCI resources and installing OIC agent on OCI
using Bastion Service

Connection Patterns for Hybrid Integrations

Public Internet Pattern

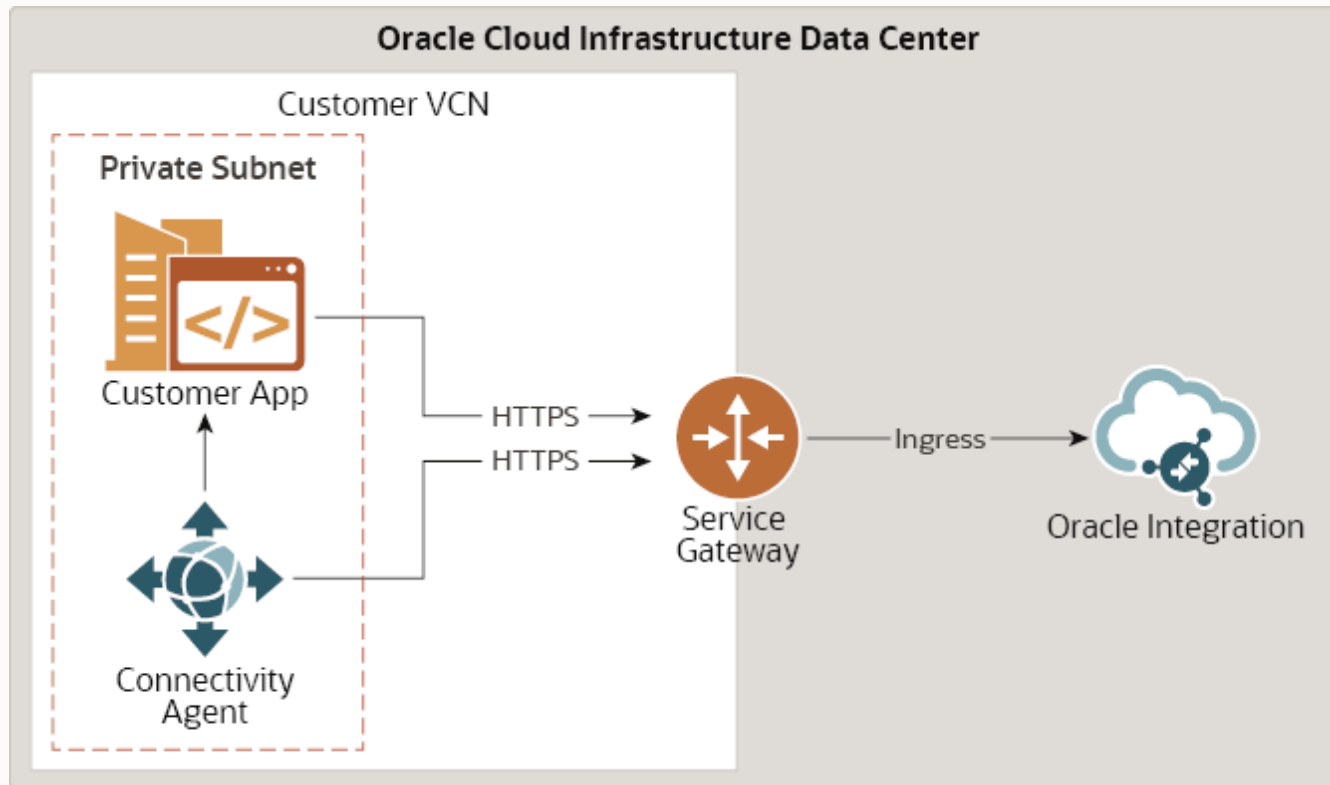
Agent deployed On-Premise or 3rd Party Cloud



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Oracle Cloud Infrastructure Only – VCN Pattern

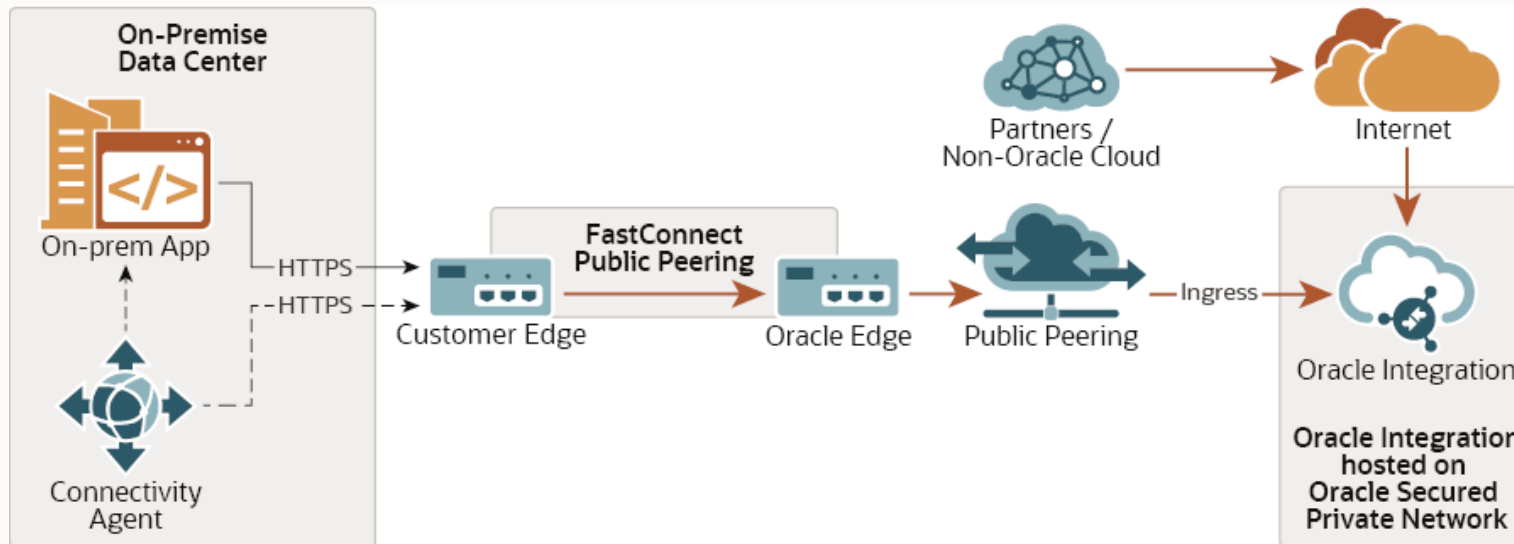
Agent deployed in Customer VCN – Private Subnet



- OIC Agent deployed in a private network within Oracle Cloud Infrastructure.
- Use this pattern for applications running within OCI.
- All traffic is routed locally and the public internet is not involved.
- Service gateways ensure that access to Oracle-hosted services is routed over the internal network.

FastConnect Public Peering Pattern

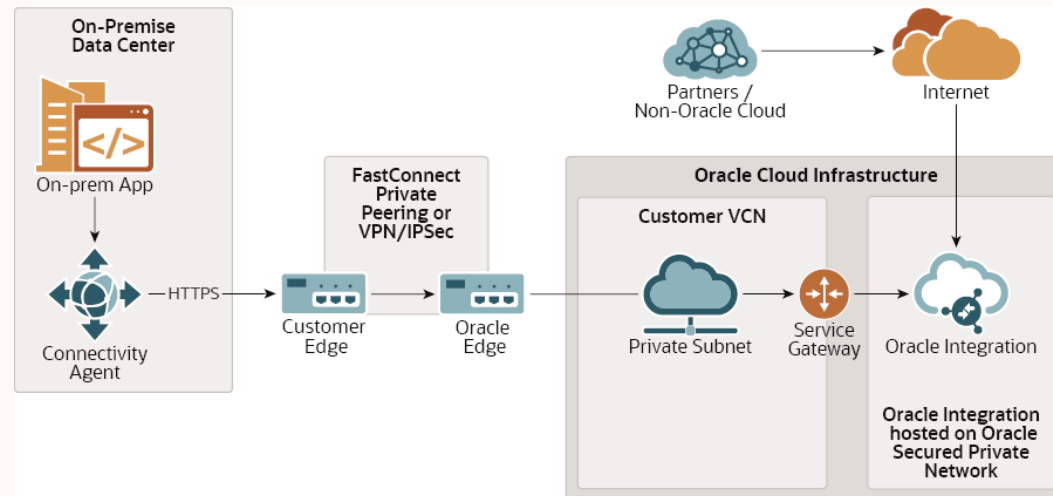
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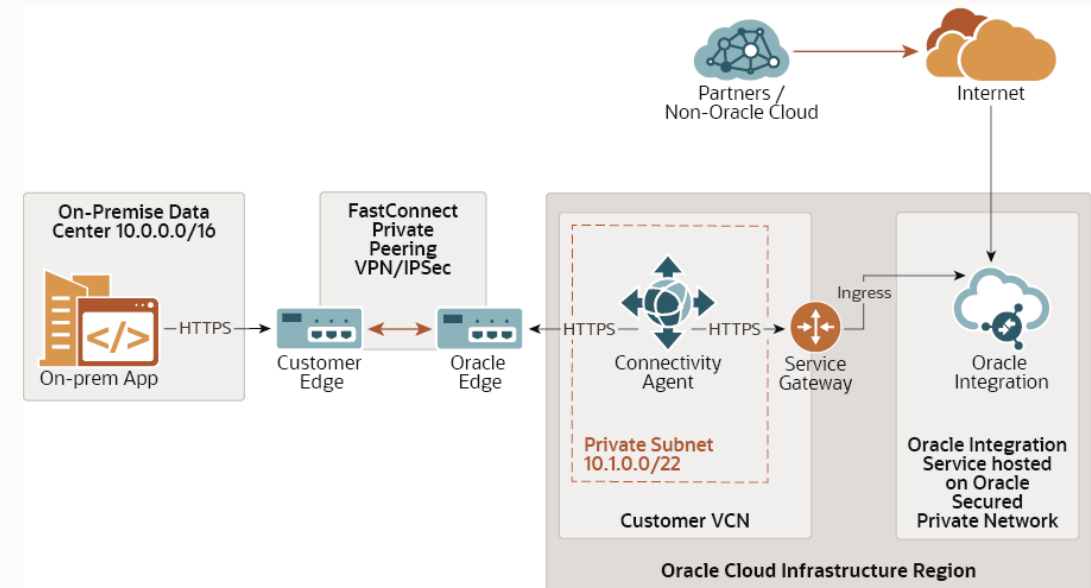
- OIC Agent deployed on the private (on-prem) network.
- Exclusive connection between the private (on-prem) network and OIC using a FastConnect public peering link.
- The inbound and outbound traffic to OIC goes through the FastConnect link.
- Faster and more reliable networking experience compared to the public internet pattern.

VPN or FastConnect Private Peering Patterns

Agent deployed in private (on-prem) network



Agent deployed in Customer VCN

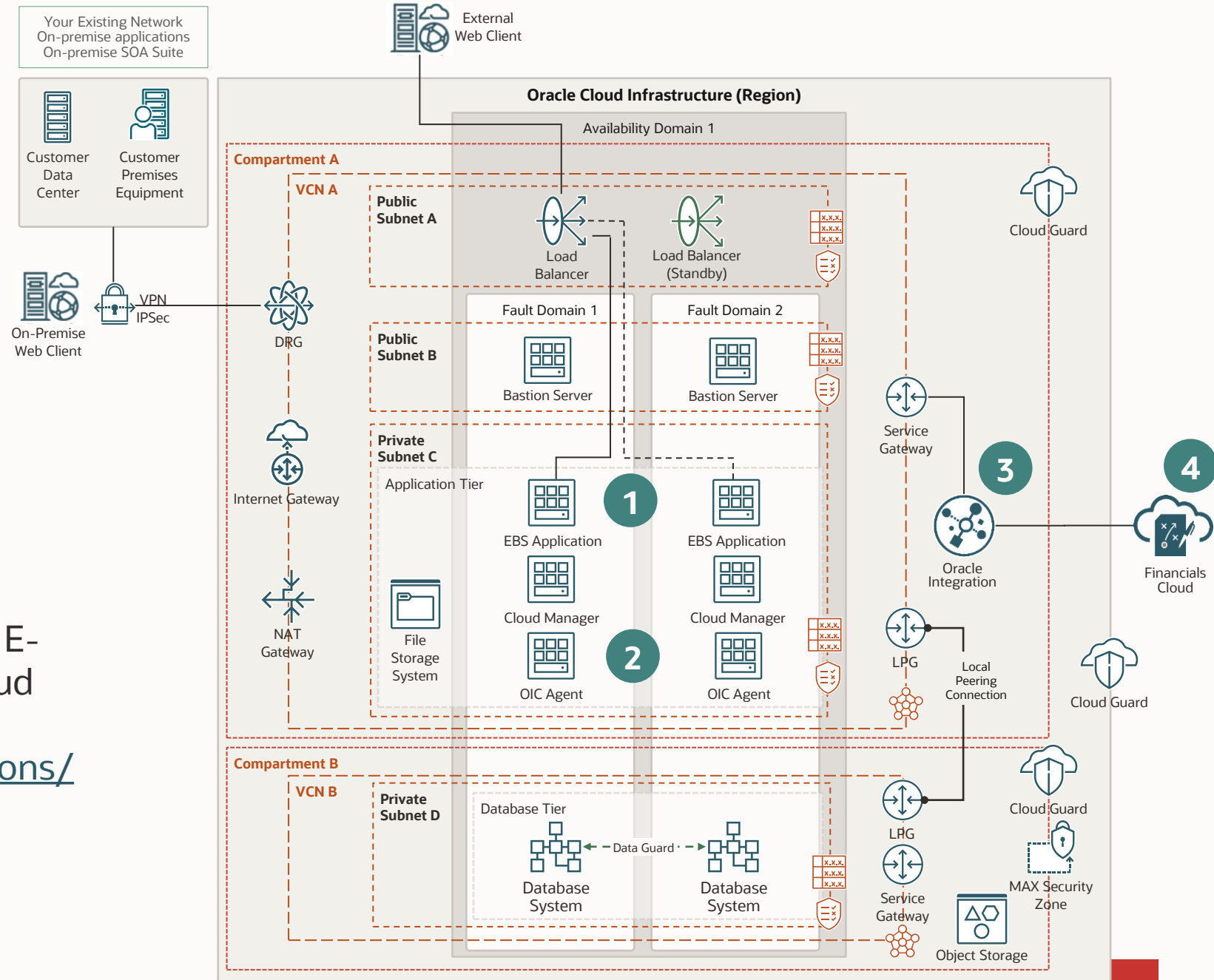


Move & Modernize EBS with ERP Cloud and OIC

1. E-Business Suite
2. OIC Agent with EBS Adapter
3. Oracle Integration
4. Financials Cloud

Reference Architecture:
Use Oracle Integration to Connect E-Business Suite with Financials Cloud

<https://docs.oracle.com/en/solutions/oracle-ebs-erpcloud-integration/index.html>



Adapters and the Connectivity Agent

(Supported Adapters)

Invoke Role

- DB2
- File
- FTP
- Microsoft SQL Server
- MySQL Database
- Oracle Database
- Oracle E-Business Suite
- Oracle JD Edwards
- REST
- SAP
- Siebel
- SOAP
- Kafka
- WebLogic JMS
- IBM MQ Series - JMS

Trigger Role

- DB2
- File
- JMS
- Microsoft SQL Server
- MySQL Database
- Oracle Database
- Oracle E-Business Suite
- Oracle JD Edwards
- SAP
- Siebel
- WebLogic JMS
- IBM MQ Series - JMS

Always required

- OCI Streaming as Trigger (inbound polling)
- ATP and ADW with Private Endpoint
 - See [Cloud Database Connectivity Support in Oracle Integration](#)



Connectivity Agent Additional Features

- Linux and Windows Platform Support
- High Availability
 - Two agents in a Single Agent Group
 - Active-Active Configuration (except for File and FTP adapters)
- Support for 10MB / 50MB* Message Payloads
- Support for 1GB Files & Attachments
- Auto Upgrade
- Log Upload to OIC

Agent Limits

- Up to 5 (five) agent groups for a single OIC instance => up to 10 agents
- Timeouts for all connectivity agent-based outbound adapter invocations: Connection timeout 4 min (240 s)

* Message Payload size limit increased from 10MB to 50MB for SOAP, REST, SAP, File, FTP adapters, since May 2022

See/Verify [OIC Service Limits for the current product version](#)



OIC Agent News, Notes & Gems



OIC Agent News

<https://docs.oracle.com/en/cloud/paas/integration-cloud/whats-new/index.html>

<https://docs.oracle.com/en/cloud/paas/application-integration/whats-new/index.html> - Gen3

- Increased message payload size: 50 MB for endpoints accessed using the SOAP Adapter, REST Adapter, SAP Adapter, File Adapter, and FTP Adapter (since May 2022)

(This is general to OIC and applies to the agent as well, for the supported adapters)

- REST Adapter with connectivity agent now supports invoking OAuth-protected, private REST endpoints (since April 2022)

Feature	Description	Minimum Version Required
Support for invoking OAuth-protected, private REST endpoints using the REST Adapter and connectivity agent	<p>The REST Adapter now supports the invocation of OAuth-protected, privately accessible REST endpoints. A REST Adapter connection configured with an agent group must be used to invoke these privately accessible REST endpoints.</p> <p>When configuring the REST Adapter for use with the connectivity agent, the following security policies are now supported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• OAuth Client Credentials• OAuth Custom Two Legged Flow• OAuth Resource Owner Password Credentials <p>See REST Adapter Restrictions and On-Premises REST API Support with the Agent in <i>Using the REST Adapter with Oracle Integration</i>.</p>	22.2.1

- JDK 11 support (since November 2021)



Notes about the User running the OIC Agent

- **What Role do I need for running the Agent?**

ServiceAdministrator or *ServiceDeveloper* for downloading & installing the agent.

- **Can I use a Federated User* to run the Agent?**

*federated user – managed by a 3rd party identity provider (e.g. Azure), federated with IDCS

No, federated users managed by 3rd party identity providers are not supported for running the agent.

If you rely on user federation, you must create a nonfederated user to use specifically for installing the connectivity agent.

- **Authentication and Authorization**

- The user running the agent gets authorized:

- A. when installing the agent
- B. when you manually stop/start the agent

- Only Basic Authentication

- !!! Password Expiration can be a common issue. Make sure you update the credentials in the *InstallerProfile.cfg* file, on the host where the agent is installed.

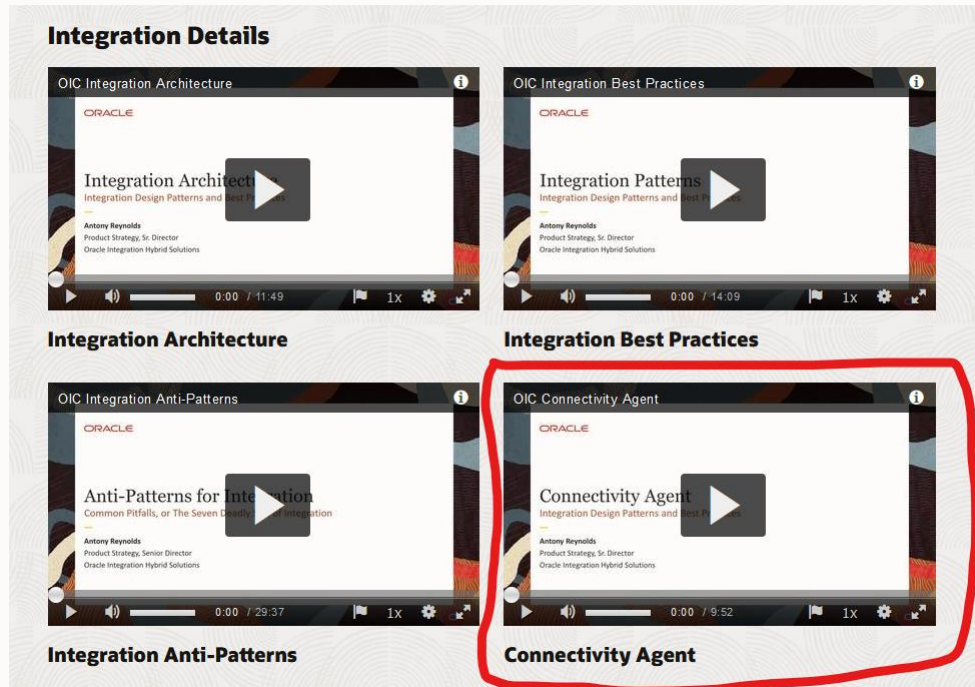
- Agent upgrade occurs automatically and does not use these credentials.



Resources

OIC Bootcamp – On-demand training free of charge for Oracle Partners

<https://go.oracle.com/LP=110450?elqCampaignId=296318>



Key References

- [Connection Patterns for Hybrid Integrations](#)
- [ICS Connectivity Agent stdout Log Rotation](#)

Service limits

Verify [OIC Service Limits \(current product version\)](#)

Docs

- [Manage the Agent Group and the On-Premises Connectivity Agent](#)
- [Troubleshoot the Connectivity Agent](#)

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