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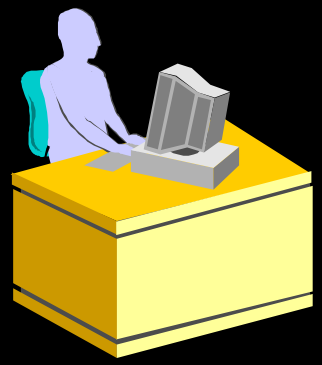
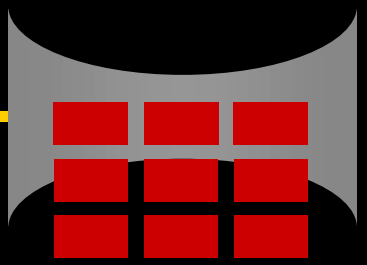


Username and password
Privileges



Users

Privileges

- Database security:
  - System security
  - Data security
- System privileges: Gaining access to the database
- Object privileges: Manipulating the content of the database objects
- Schemas: Collections of objects, such as tables, views, and sequences

System Privileges

- More than 100 privileges are available.
- The database administrator has high-level system privileges for tasks such as:
  - Creating new users
  - Removing users
  - Removing tables
  - Backing up tables

Creating Users

The DBA creates users by using the `CREATE USER` statement.

```
CREATE USER user
IDENTIFIED BY   password;
```

```
CREATE USER  scott
IDENTIFIED BY   tiger;
User created.
```

User System Privileges

- Once a user is created, the DBA can grant specific system privileges to a user.

```
GRANT privilege [, privilege...]
TO user [, user| role, PUBLIC...];
```

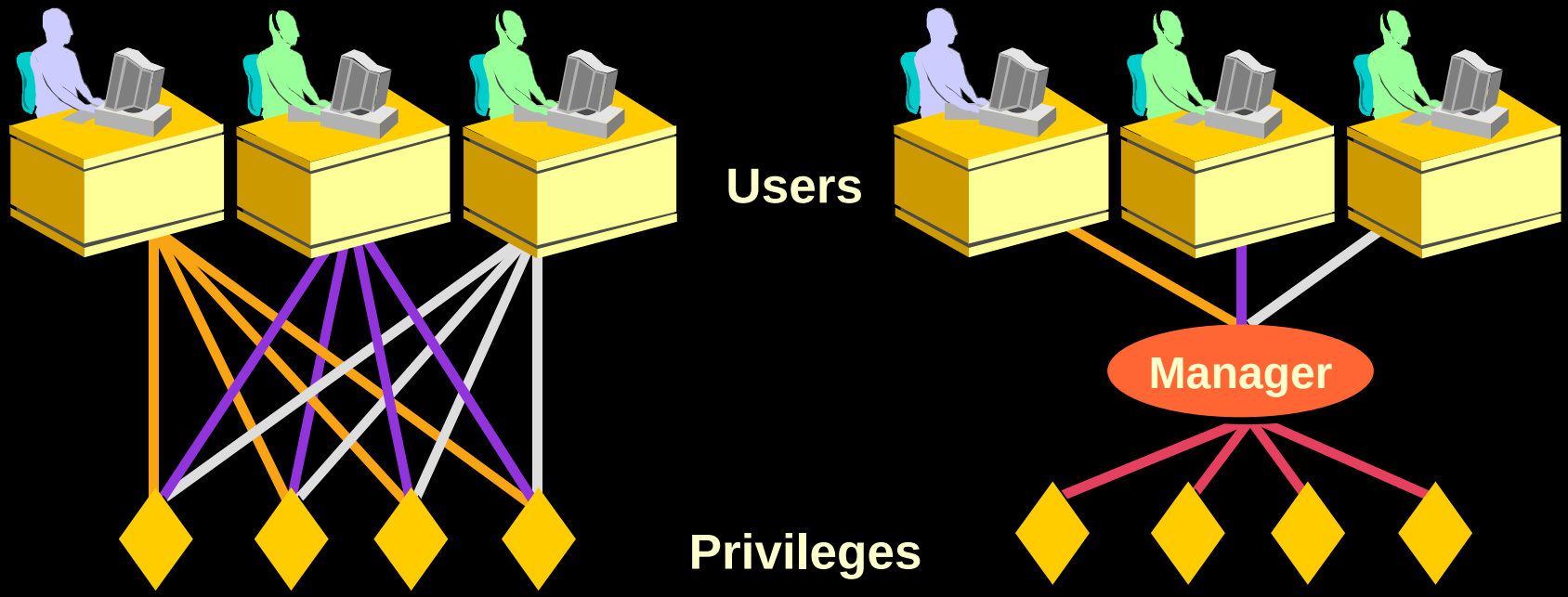
- An application developer, for example, may have the following system privileges:
  - CREATE SESSION
  - CREATE TABLE
  - CREATE SEQUENCE
  - CREATE VIEW
  - CREATE PROCEDURE

Granting System Privileges

The DBA can grant a user specific system privileges.

```
GRANT  create session, create table,
       create sequence, create view
TO     scott;
Grant succeeded.
```

What is a Role?



Allocating privileges without a role

Allocating privileges with a role

Creating and Granting Privileges to a Role

- Create a role

```
CREATE ROLE manager;
Role created.
```

- Grant privileges to a role

```
GRANT create table, create view
TO manager;
Grant succeeded.
```

- Grant a role to users

```
GRANT manager TO DEHAAN, KOCHHAR;
Grant succeeded.
```

Changing Your Password

- The DBA creates your user account and initializes your password.
- You can change your password by using the `ALTER USER` statement.

```
ALTER USER scott
IDENTIFIED BY lion;
User altered.
```

Object Privileges

- Object privileges vary from object to object.
- An owner has all the privileges on the object.
- An owner can give specific privileges on that owner's object.

```
GRANT       object_priv [(columns)]
ON          object
TO          {user|role|PUBLIC}
[WITH GRANT OPTION];
```

Granting Object Privileges

- Grant query privileges on the `EMPLOYEES` table.

```
GRANT  select
ON     employees
TO     sue, rich;
Grant succeeded.
```

- Grant privileges to update specific columns to users and roles.

```
GRANT  update (department_name, location_id)
ON     departments
TO     scott, manager;
Grant succeeded.
```

Using the WITH GRANT OPTION and PUBLIC Keywords

- Give a user authority to pass along privileges.

```
GRANT  select, insert
ON     departments
TO     scott
WITH   GRANT OPTION;
Grant succeeded.
```

- Allow all users on the system to query data from Alice's DEPARTMENTS table.

```
GRANT  select
ON     alice.departments
TO     PUBLIC;
Grant succeeded.
```

How to Revoke Object Privileges

- You use the `REVOKE` statement to revoke privileges granted to other users.
- Privileges granted to others through the `WITH GRANT OPTION` clause are also revoked.

```
REVOKE {privilege [, privilege...]|ALL}
ON     object
FROM   {user[, user...]|role|PUBLIC}
[CASCADE CONSTRAINTS];
```

Revoking Object Privileges

As user Alice, revoke the `SELECT` and `INSERT` privileges given to user Scott on the `DEPARTMENTS` table.

```
REVOKE  select, insert
ON      departments
FROM    scott;
Revoke succeeded.
```

Summary

In this lesson, you should have learned about DCL statements that control access to the database and database objects:

Statement	Action
`CREATE USER`	Creates a user (usually performed by a DBA)
`GRANT`	Gives other users privileges to access the your objects
`CREATE ROLE`	Creates a collection of privileges (usually performed by a DBA)
`ALTER USER`	Changes a user's password
`REVOKE`	Removes privileges on an object from users