Basic Multitenant Administration Tasks

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Objectives

In this lecture, you will learn how to perform the following:

- Switch the current container
- Change CDB and PDB states
- Save the PDB Open State
- Manage the Initialization Parameters in PDBs
- Change the Global Database Name of a PDB

Switching the Current Container

To change the current container (as CDB administrator):

```
ALTER SESSION SET CONTAINER= pdb1;
```

- Make sure to close the current session before switching to another PDB
- To know the current PDB in SQL*Plus:

```
show CON_ID CON_NAME
```

To know the current PDB in SQL:

```
SELECT SYS_CONTEXT('USERENV','CON_ID') CON_ID,

SYS_CONTEXT('USERENV','CON_NAME') CON_NAME

FROM DUAL;
```

CDB and PDB States

State	Description
NOMOUNT (CDB only)	CDB instance only is up. Control files are not read (therefore the CDB does not what PDBs associated with it)
MOUNTED	Users cannot connect. Only administrators to perform some administrative activities. Data is not accessible.
MIGRATE	Taken during an upgrade
READ ONLY	Users can connect for reading only operations
READ WRITE	Full accessible to users

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Startup and Shutdown a CDB

Same as starting up and shutting down a non-CDB instance:

```
sqlplus / as sysdba
startup
shutdown immediate
```

Startup and Shutdown a PDB

Affecting the current container:

```
ALTER PLUGGABLE DATABASE OPEN [READ ONLY];
ALTER PLUGGABLE DATABASE CLOSE [IMMEDIATE];

STARTUP
SHUTDOWN
```

Affecting a named container (from root):

```
ALTER PLUGGABLE DATABASE pdb1 OPEN;
ALTER PLUGGABLE DATABASE ALL OPEN;
ALTER PLUGGABLE DATABASE ALL EXCEPT pdb1 OPEN;
```

STARTUP PLUGGABLE DATABASE pdb1 [OPEN] [READ ONLY|WRITE] [FORCE]

Retrieving PDB Open State

Query the OPEN_MODE in V\$PDBS:

SELECT NAME, OPEN_MODE FROM V\$PDBS WHERE NAME='PDB1';

OPEN_MODE	Description
MOUNTED	PDB is closed
READ WRITE	PDB is open in read/write mode
READ ONLY	PDB is open in read/only mode
MIGRATE	PDB is in migration

Saving the PDB Open State

- By default, after CDB restarted, PDBs are in MOUNT state.
- If you want to change the default restart state, switch the PDB to the desired state and save its state:

```
ALTER PLUGGABLE DATABASE pdb1 SAVE STATE;
ALTER PLUGGABLE DATABASE ALL SAVE STATE;
```

To query the saved states:

```
SELECT CON_NAME, STATE FROM DBA_PDB_SAVED_STATES;
```

To clear save state setting:

```
ALTER PLUGGABLE DATABASE pdb1 DISCARD STATE ;
```

PDB Initialization Parameters

- SPFile is used only in the CDB level
- PDB parameter values are saved in PDB SPFILE\$
- PFILE can be created in the PDB, but cannot be used to start it up
- For the parameters where **ISPDB_MODIFIABLE=TRUE**, they can be changed in the PDB level
- To make a change on a parameter take effect immediately:

```
ALTER SYSTEM SET TEMP_UNDO_ENABLED=TRUE CONTAINER=ALL SCOPE=BOTH;
```

To list the initialization parameters modifiable at the PDB level:

```
SELECT NAME FROM V$SYSTEM_PARAMETER
WHERE ISPDB_MODIFIABLE = 'TRUE'
ORDER BY NAME;
```

Modifying a Parameter in a PDB: Example

In the PDB:

```
CONNECT sys@pdb1 AS SYSDBA
ALTER SYSTEM SET ddl_lock_timeout=12 ;
```

In the CDB root:

Note: v\$system_parameter for instance, v\$parameter for current session

Changing the Global Database Name of a PDB

To rename PDB1 to PDB2:

```
ALTER PLUGGABLE DATABASE pdb1 CLOSE IMMEDIATE;
ALTER PLUGGABLE DATABASE pdb1 OPEN RESTRICTED;
ALTER SESSION SET CONTAINER=PDB1;
ALTER PLUGGABLE DATABASE pdb1 RENAME GLOBAL_NAME to pdb2;
ALTER PLUGGABLE DATABASE pdb2 CLOSE IMMEDIATE;
ALTER PLUGGABLE DATABASE pdb2 OPEN;
SELECT CON_ID, OPEN_MODE, RESTRICTED FROM V$PDBS WHERE NAME='PDB2';
```

Summary

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