# Managing Applications and Application Containers

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#### **Objectives**

By the end of this lecture, you should be able to:

- Describe the Application containers
- Understand the benefits of using Application Containers
- Create Application containers
- Create Application seed

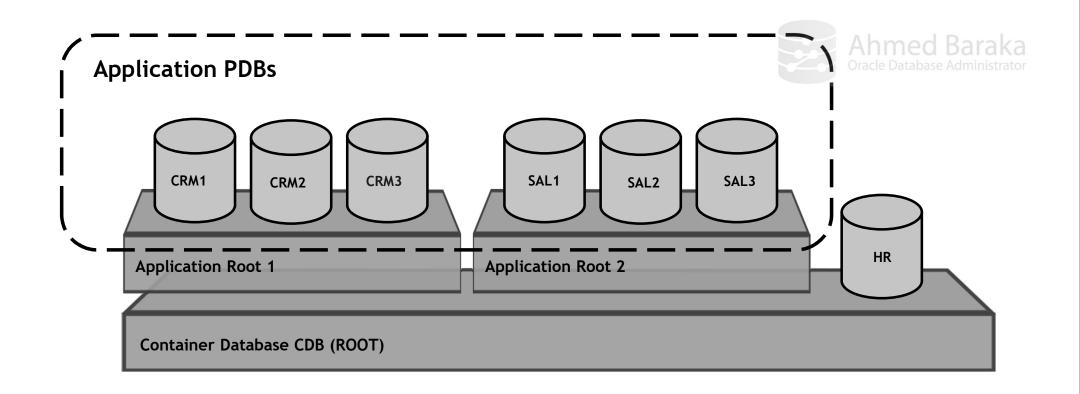


#### **About Application Containers**

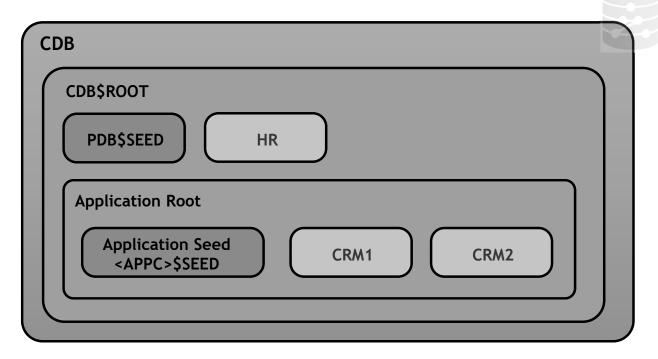
- Useful in case of multiple PDBs that run the same application:
  - SaaS (Software as a Service) providers
  - Application operated by multiple branches
- Introduced in 12.2
- Terms affected from 12.1 to 12.2
  - Object Links -> Data Links
  - Common Data -> Extended Data



#### **Application Containers**



#### **Application Seed**



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#### **Application Container Concepts Summary**

- Application Container is useful for streamlining the application maintenance tasks.
- Application container is a CDB component that stores data and metadata for one or more applications.
- The master application definition is maintained in the application root.
- Application components: common users, metadata-linked common objects, and data-linked common objects

#### About Creating an Application Container

- Possible techniques:
  - Using the CDB seed
  - Cloning an existing PDB or non-CDB
  - Relocating a PDB
  - Plugging in an unplugged PDB



#### **Creating Application Container Examples**

Creating an Application Container using the CDB seed:

```
CREATE PLUGGABLE DATABASE hr_ac AS APPLICATION CONTAINER ADMIN USER hr_acadm IDENTIFIED BY mypassword;
```

Creating an Application Container by cloning a local PDB:

```
CREATE PLUGGABLE DATABASE hr_ac AS APPLICATION CONTAINER FROM pdb1

FILE_NAME_CONVERT = ('/u01/pdb1/', '/u01/hract/')
```



#### **About Creating an Application Seed**

- Typical procedure:
  - Create application root
  - Install the application in the application root
  - Create application seed:
    - From the CDB seed
    - Cloning a PDB
    - From application root
  - Synchronize the application seed with application root



# Creating an Application Seed from CDB root Example

- 1. Connect to the application root
- 2. Create the application seed:

CREATE PLUGGABLE DATABASE AS SEED ADMIN USER hrseedadm IDENTIFIED BY password;

3. Open the new application seed in read/write mode:

ALTER PLUGGABLE DATABASE hr\_ac\$SEED OPEN;



# Creating an Application Seed from CDB root Example (cont)

4. Synchronize the application seed:

```
ALTER SESSION SET CONTAINER=hr_ac$SEED;
ALTER PLUGGABLE DATABASE APPLICATION ALL SYNC;
```

5. Close the application seed, and then open it in open read-only mode.



# Creating an Application Seed From an Application PDB Example

```
CREATE PLUGGABLE DATABASE AS SEED FROM hrpdb;
ALTER PLUGGABLE DATABASE hr_ac$SEED OPEN;
ALTER PLUGGABLE DATABASE CLOSE IMMEDIATE;
ALTER PLUGGABLE DATABASE OPEN READ ONLY;
```



# Creating an Application Seed from an Application Root Example

```
CREATE PLUGGABLE DATABASE AS SEED FROM hr_ac;
ALTER PLUGGABLE DATABASE hr_ac$SEED OPEN;
ALTER SESSION SET CONTAINER=hr_ac$SEED;
@$ORACLE_HOME/rdbms/admin/pdb_to_apppdb.sql
ALTER PLUGGABLE DATABASE CLOSE IMMEDIATE;
ALTER PLUGGABLE DATABASE OPEN READ ONLY;
```



#### **About Creating an Application PDB**

- The application root must be the current PDB
- You can create application PDBs using the same SQL statements that you use to create PDBs in the CDB root
- 1. Make the application root the current container
- 2. Run a CREATE PLUGGABLE DATABASE statement
- 3. Open the new application PDB in read/write mode
- 4. Switch current container to the application PDB
- 5. Synchronize the PDB with the application root
- 6. Close the PDB, and then open it

# Obtaining Information about the Application Roots and Application PDBs

Information about the application roots:

```
ALTER SESSION SET CONTAINER=CDB$ROOT;
SELECT CON_ID, NAME, OPEN_MODE
FROM V$PDBS WHERE APPLICATION_ROOT='YES';
```

Information about the application PDBs:

```
ALTER SESSION SET CONTAINER=CDB$ROOT;
ALTER SESSION SET CONTAINER=hr_ac;
SELECT CON_ID, NAME, OPEN_MODE
FROM V$PDBS WHERE APPLICATION_PDB='YES';
Oracle Database Administrator
```

#### Summary

In this lecture, you should have learnt how to:

- Describe the Application containers
- Understand the benefits of using Application Containers
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