

# Oracle 11g DBA Fundamentals Overview

Lesson 01: Overview of Administering  
an Oracle Database



# Lesson Objectives

- Types of Oracle Database Users
- Tasks of a Database Administrator
- DBA Security and Privileges
- Tools for Administering the Database
- Review the Oracle Database 11g architecture
- Managing Oracle Database Processes





# Types of Oracle Database Users

- Database Administrators
- Network Administrators
- Application Developers
- Database Users



# Tasks of a Database Administrator

- Task 1: Evaluate the Database Server Hardware
- Task 2: Install the Oracle Database Software
- Task 3: Plan the Database
- Task 4: Create and Open the Database
- Task 5: Back Up the Database
- Task 6: Enroll System Users
- Task 7: Implement the Database Design
- Task 8: Back Up the Fully Functional Database
- Task 9: Tune Database Performance

## **Note:**

- Keep titles concise – for example: Description, Features, Characteristics, Examples
- Ideas should be clean and simple
- No period at the end of bullet points



# DBA Security and Privileges

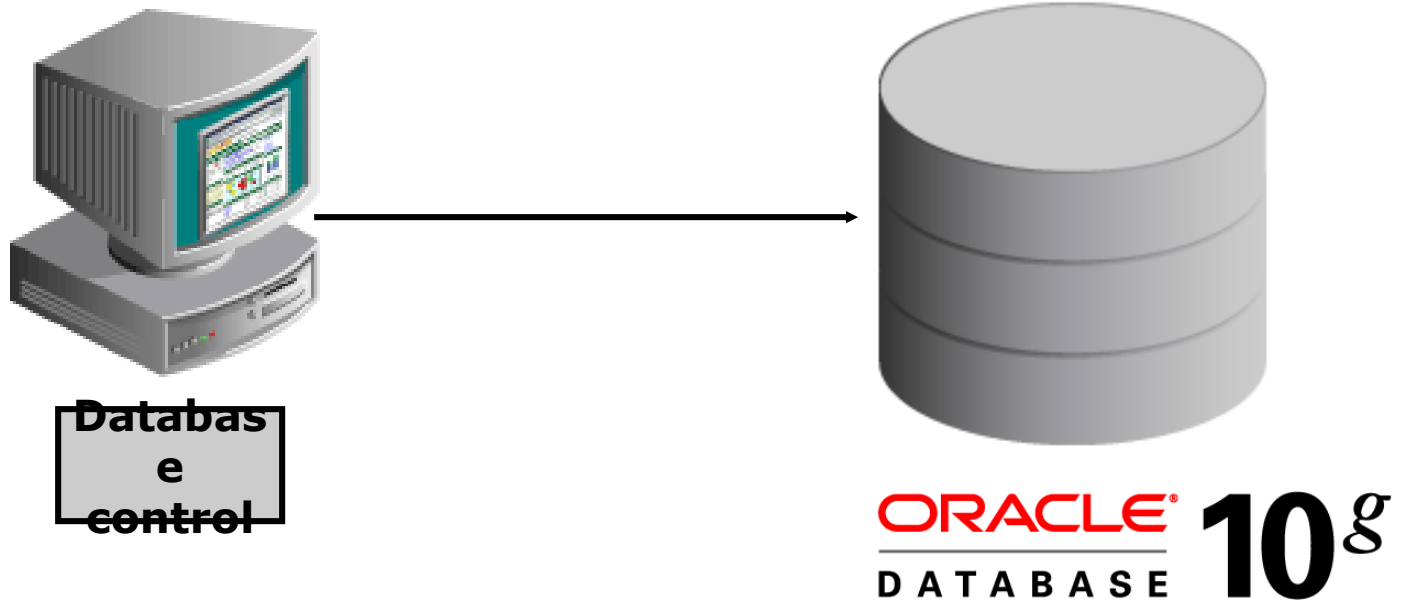
Two user accounts are automatically created when Oracle Database is installed:

- SYS (default password: CHANGE\_ON\_INSTALL)
- SYSTEM (default password: MANAGER)

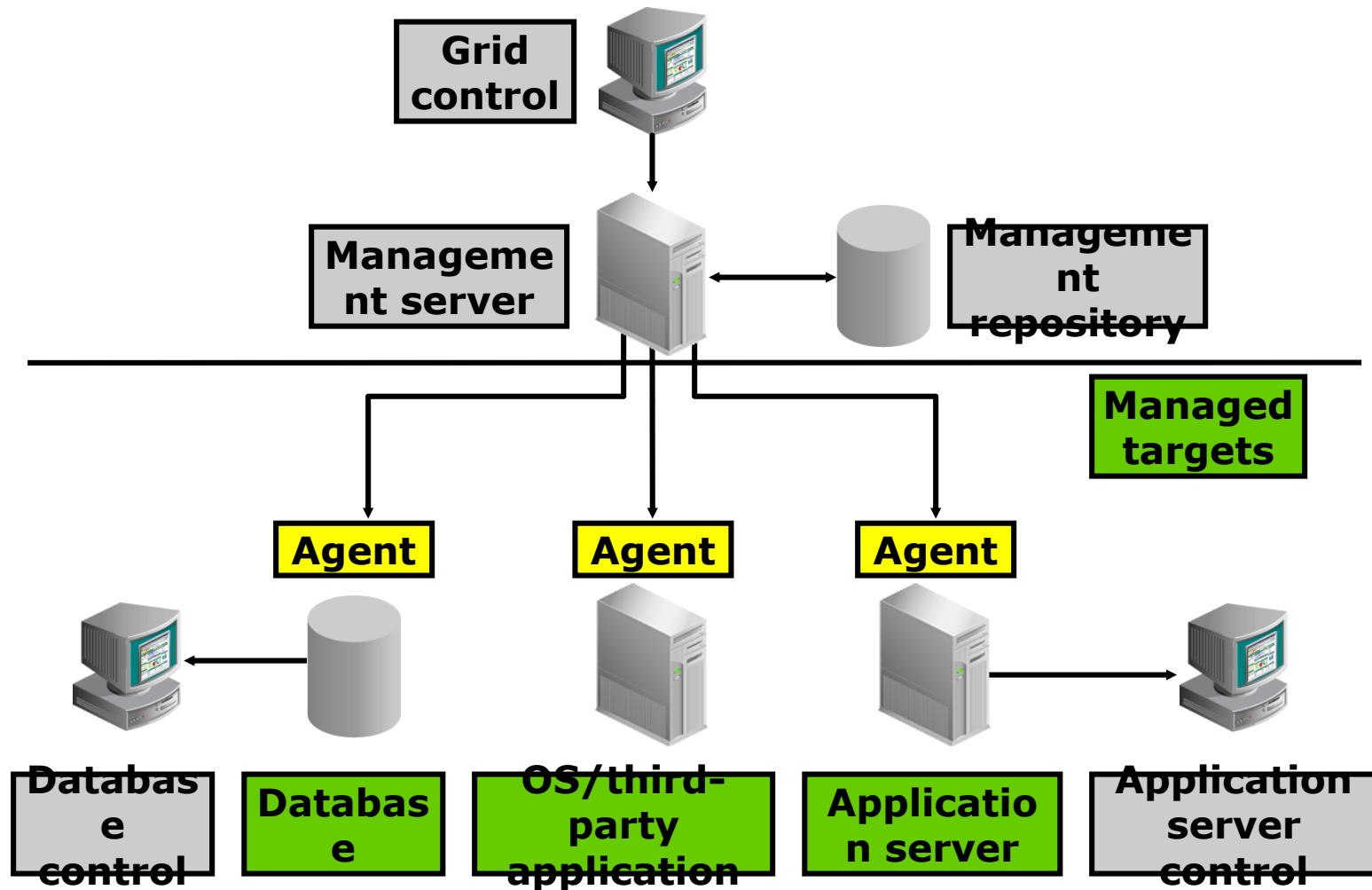


# Tools for Administering the Database

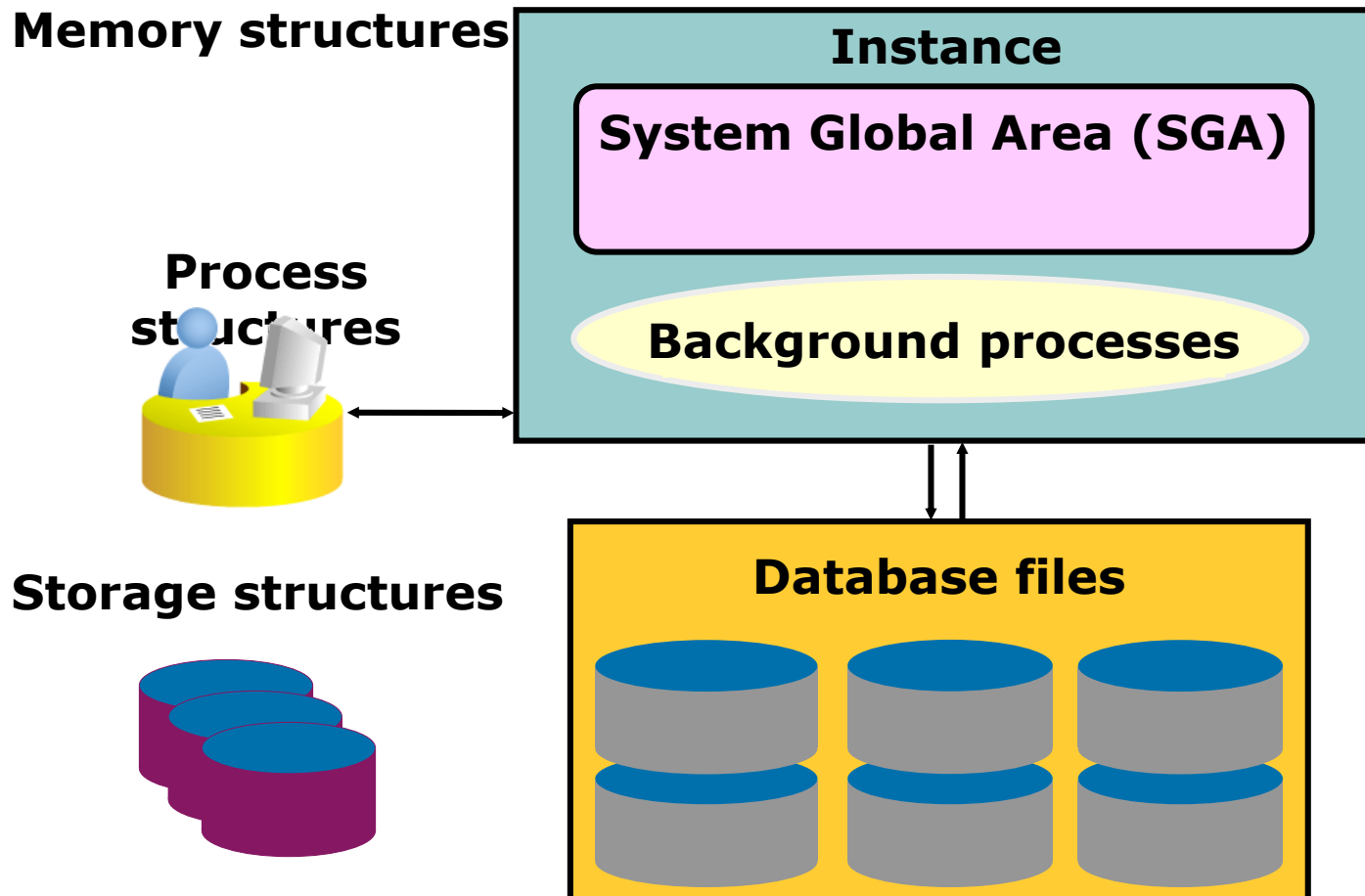
- Oracle Universal Installer (OUI)
- Database Configuration Assistant (DBCA)
- Database Upgrade Assistant
- Oracle Net Manager
- Oracle Enterprise Manager



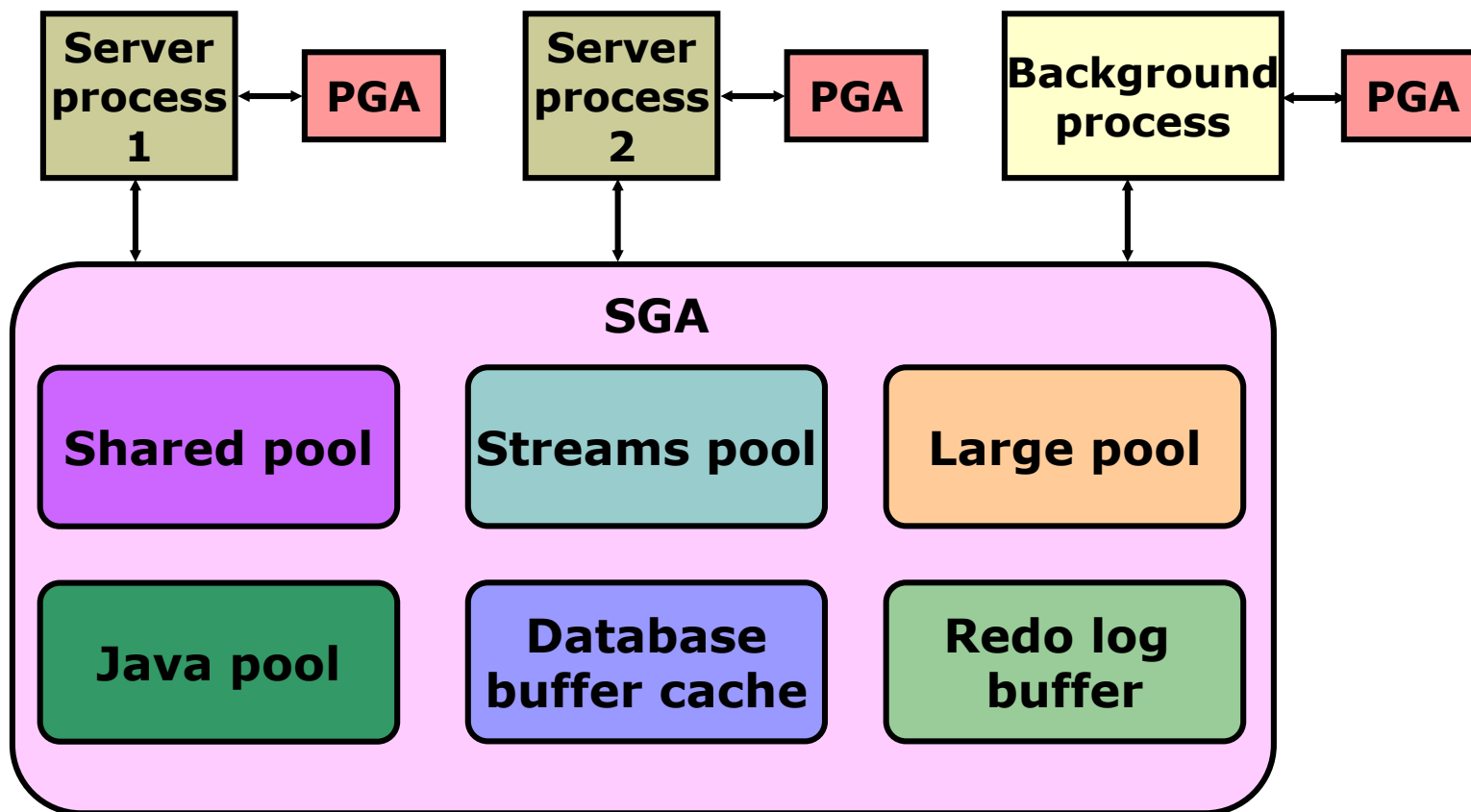
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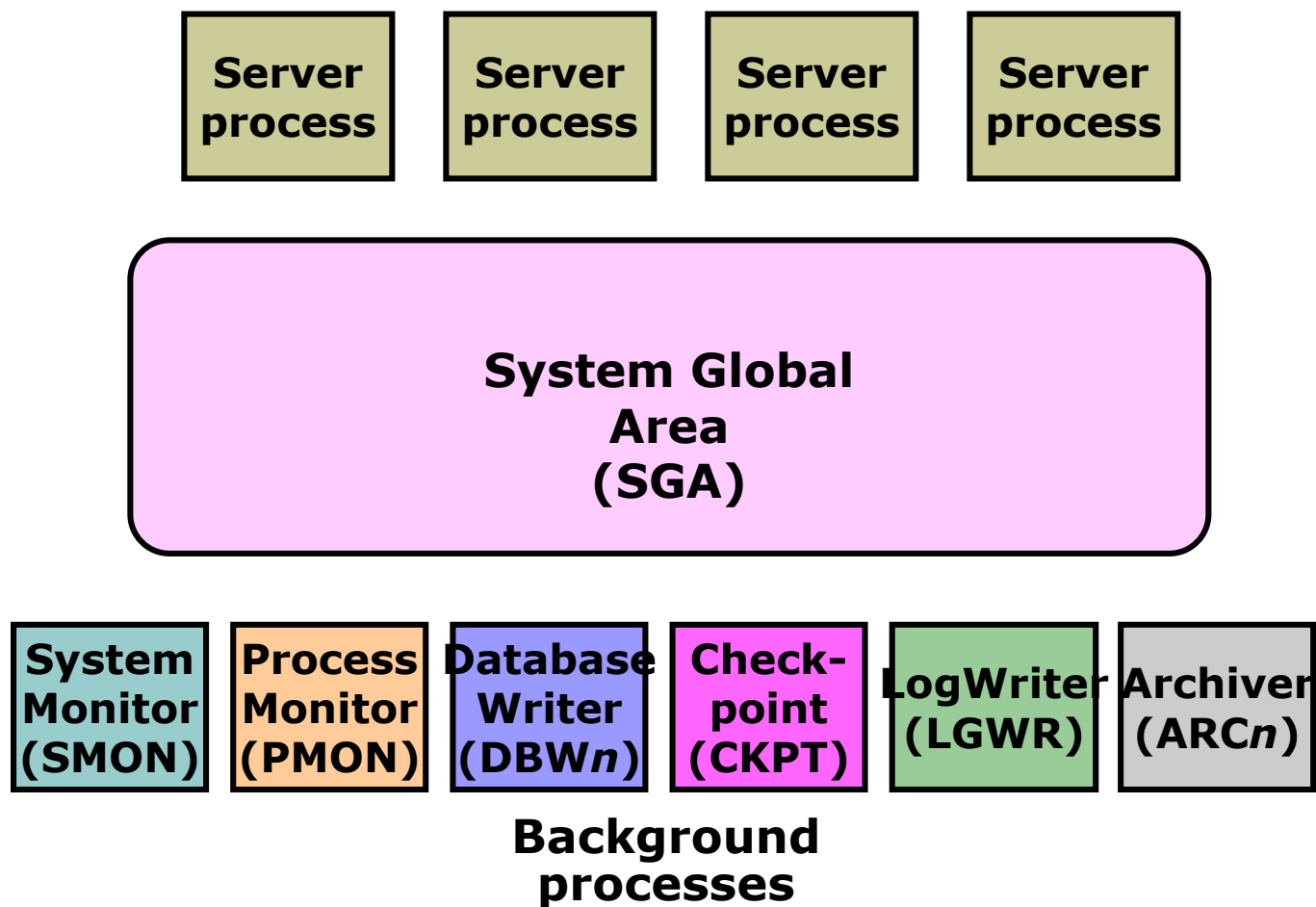




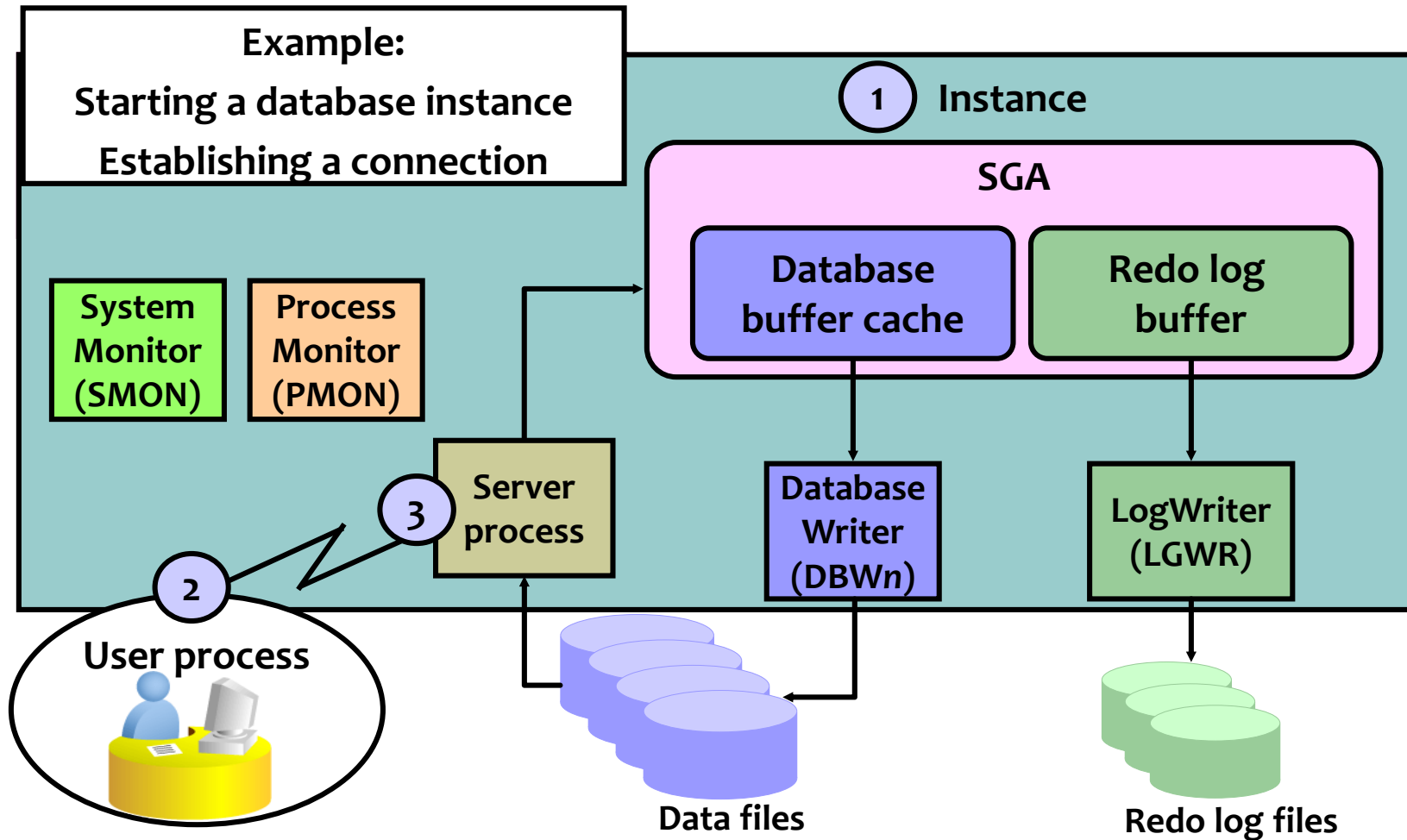


# Oracle Memory Structures

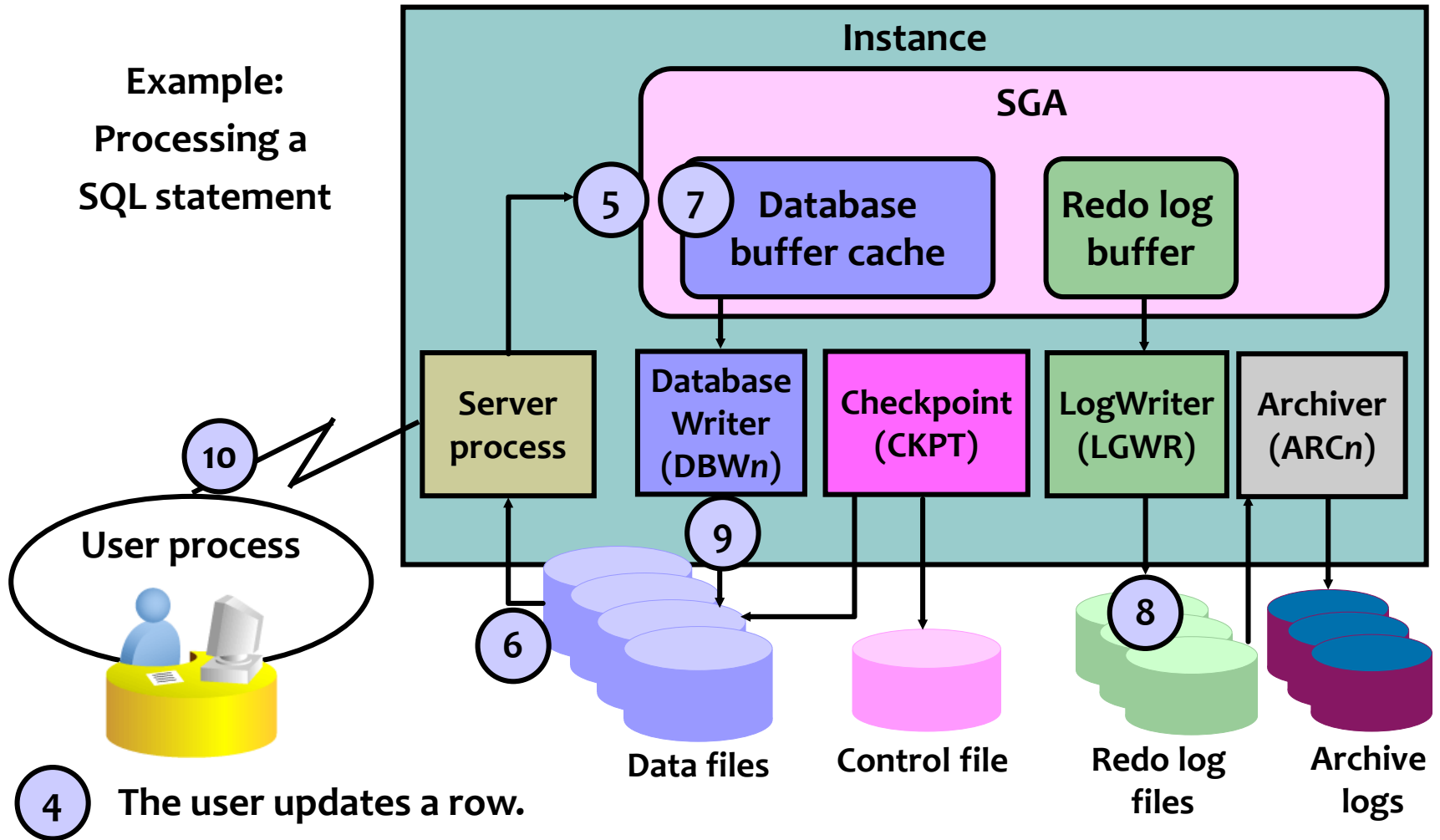




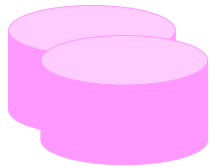
# Reviewing Oracle Instance Management



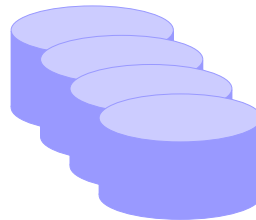
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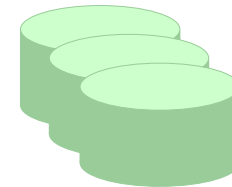
# Physical Database Structure



**Control files**



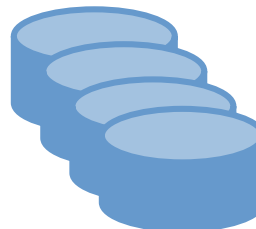
**Data files**



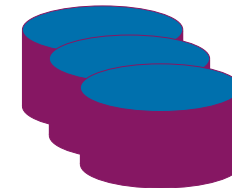
**Online redo log files**



**Parameter file**



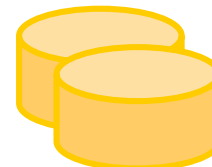
**Backup files**



**Archive log files**



**Password file**



**Alert and trace log files**



## Oracle Managed Files (OMF)

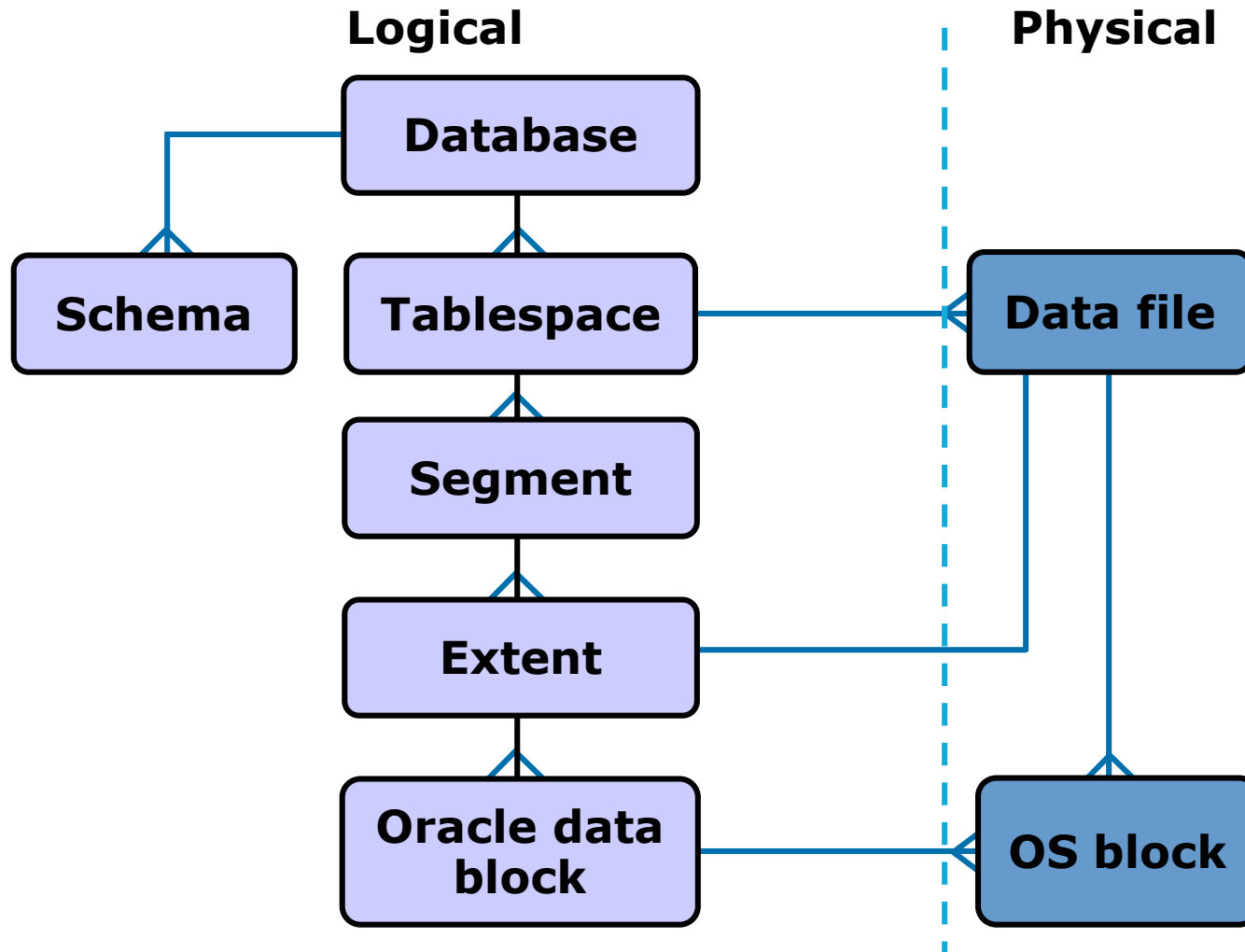
Specify file operations in terms of database objects rather than file names.

Parameter	Description
<b>DB_CREATE_FILE_DEST</b>	<b>Defines the location of the default file system directory for data files and temporary files</b>
<b>DB_CREATE_ONLINE_LOG_DEST_n</b>	<b>Defines the location for redo log files and control file creation</b>
<b>DB_RECOVERY_FILE_DEST</b>	<b>Defines the location for RMAN backups</b>

### **Exam:**

```
SQL> ALTER SYSTEM SET DB_CREATE_FILE_DEST =  
'/u01/oradata';  
SQL> CREATE TABLESPACE tbs_1;
```

# Logical and Physical Database Structures





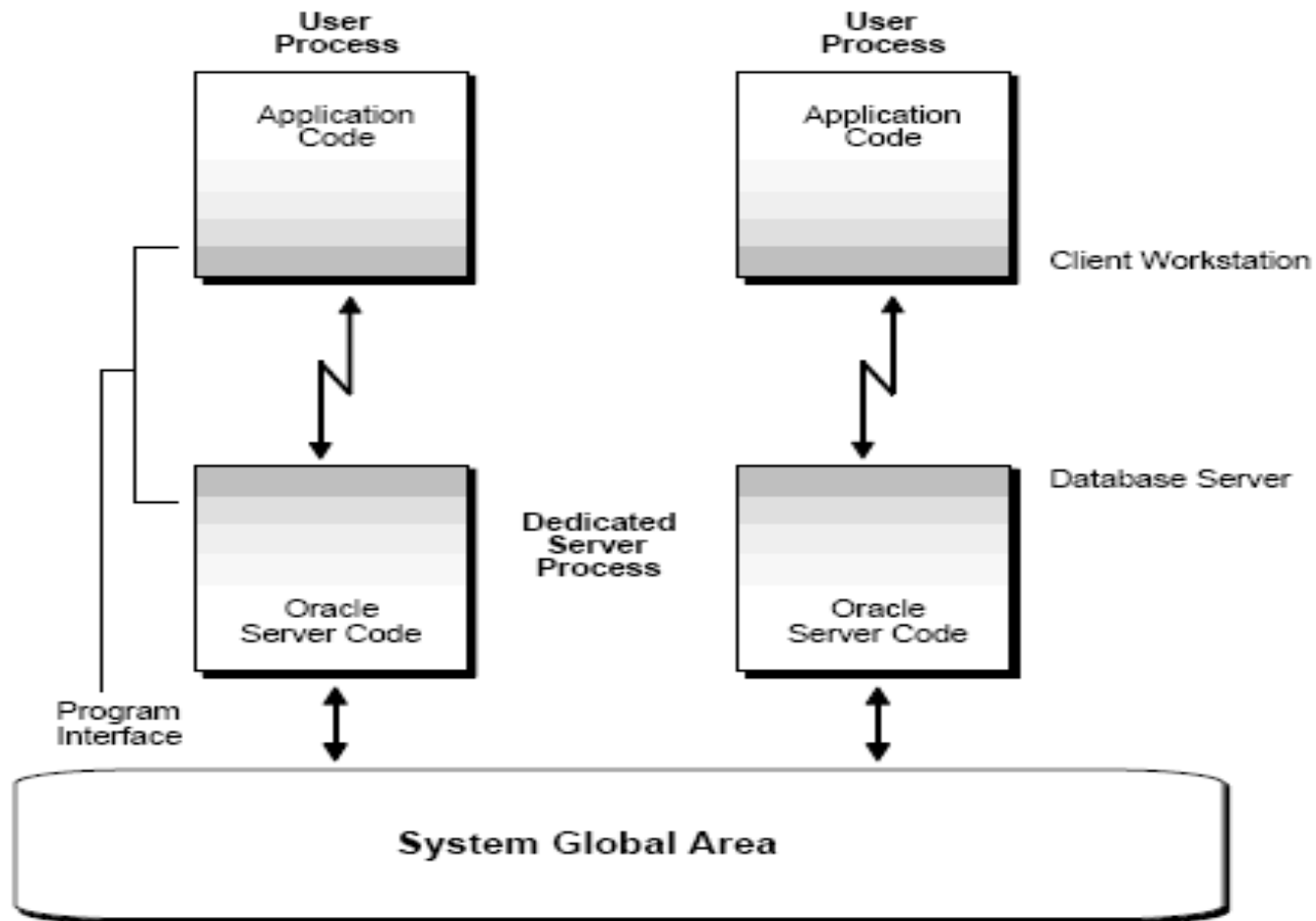


# About Dedicated and Shared Server Processes

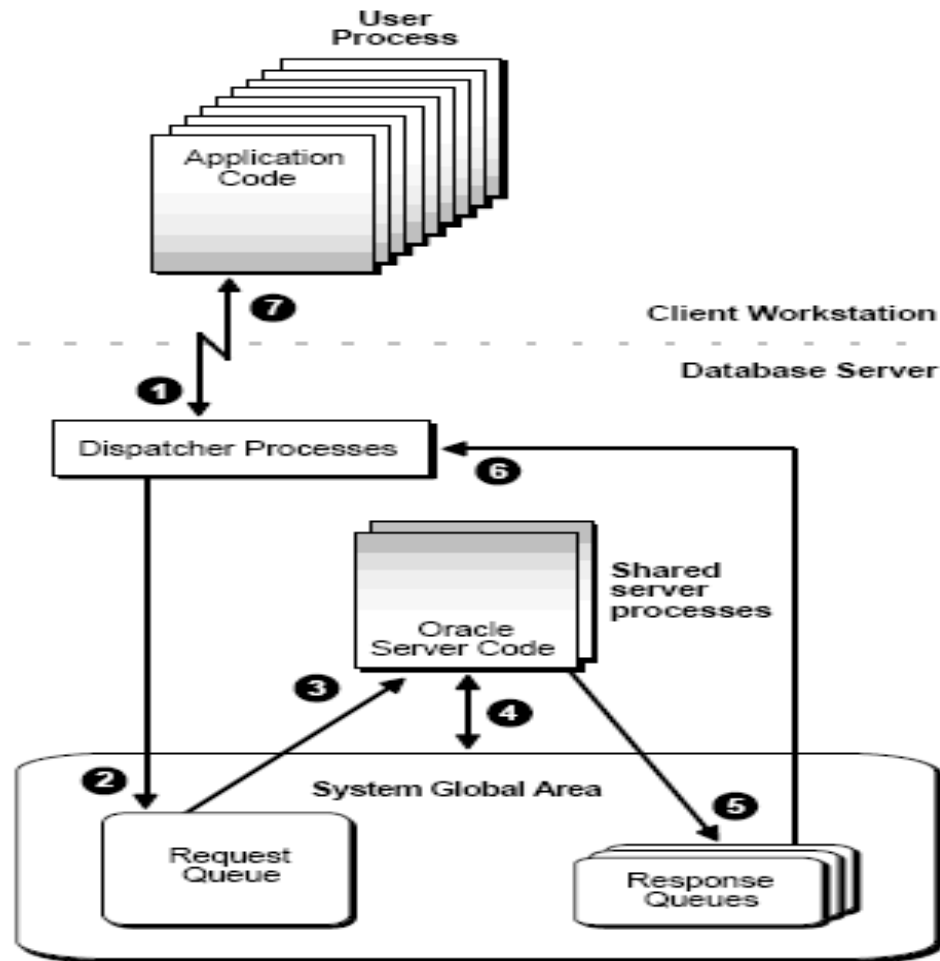
A server process can be either of the following:

- A dedicated server process, which services only one user process
- A shared server process, which can service multiple user processes

# Dedicated Server Processes



# Shared Server Processes





# Configuring Oracle Database for Shared Server

- Initialization Parameters for Shared Server
- Enabling Shared Server
- Configuring Dispatchers
- Monitoring Shared Server



# Process Structure

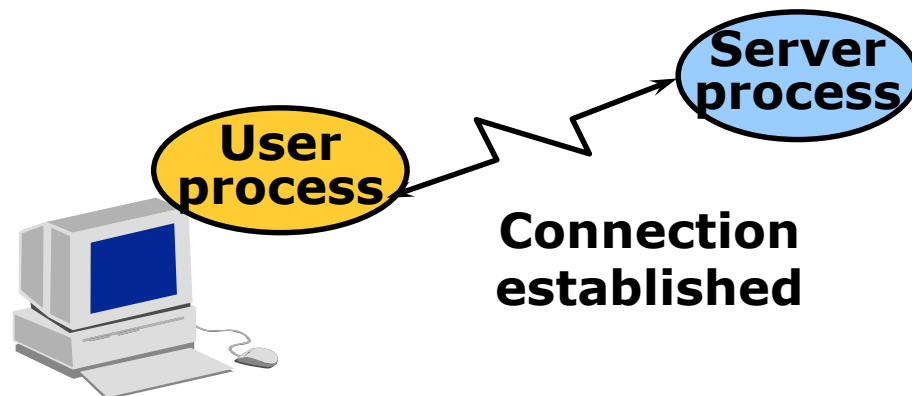
## **Oracle takes advantage of various types of processes:**

- User process: Started at the time a database user requests connection to the Oracle server
- Server process: Connects to the Oracle Instance and is started when a user establishes a session
- Background processes: Started when an Oracle Instance is started



# User Process

- A program that requests interaction with the Oracle server
- Must first establish a connection
- Does not interact directly with the Oracle server

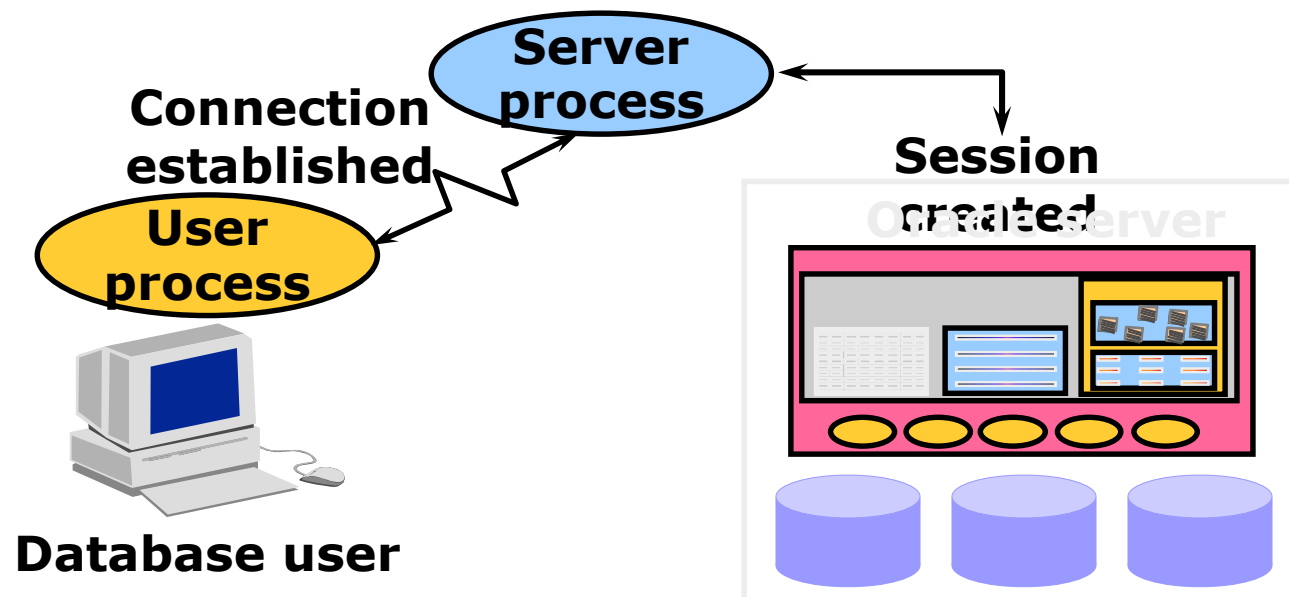


**Database user**



# Server Process

- A program that directly interacts with the Oracle server
- Fulfills calls generated and returns results
- Can be Dedicated or Shared Server





# About Oracle Database Background Processes

Maintains and enforces relationships between physical and memory structures

## ■ Mandatory background processes:

- |        |      |      |
|--------|------|------|
| • DBWn | PMON | CKPT |
| • LGWR | SMON |      |

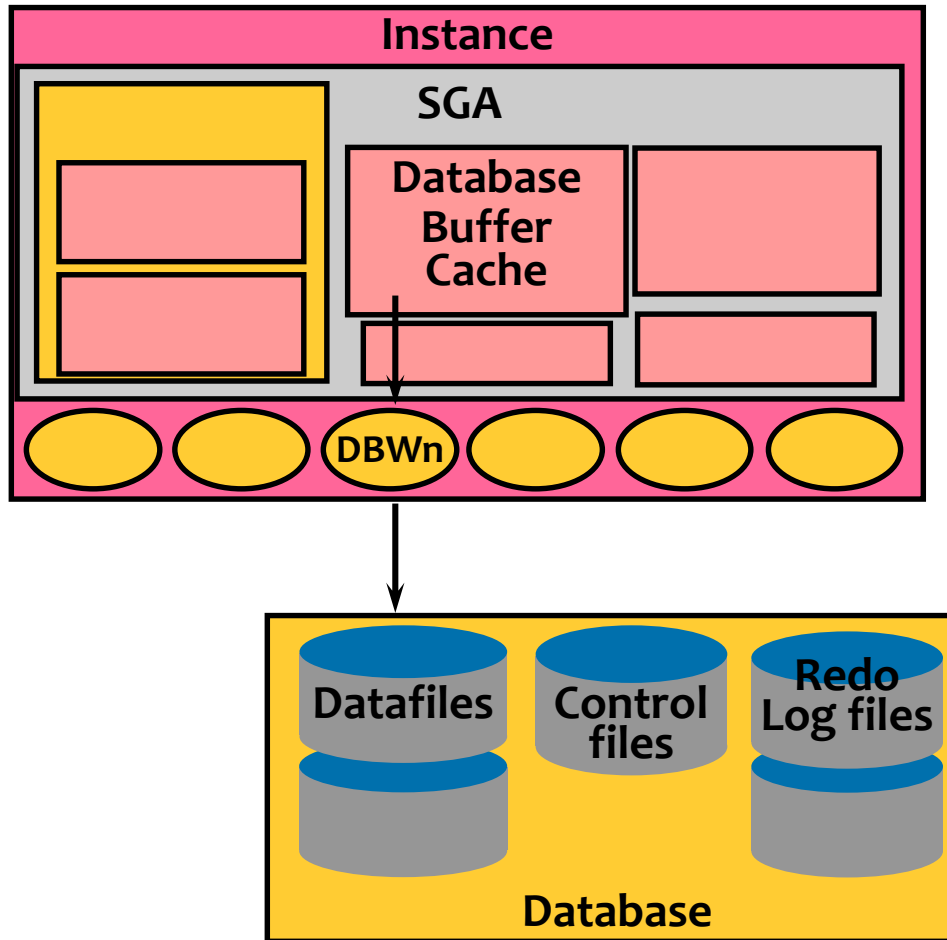
## ■ Optional background processes:

- |        |      |      |
|--------|------|------|
| • ARCn | LMDn | RECO |
| • CJQ0 | LMON | Snnn |
| • Dnnn | Pnnn |      |
| • LCKn | QMNn |      |





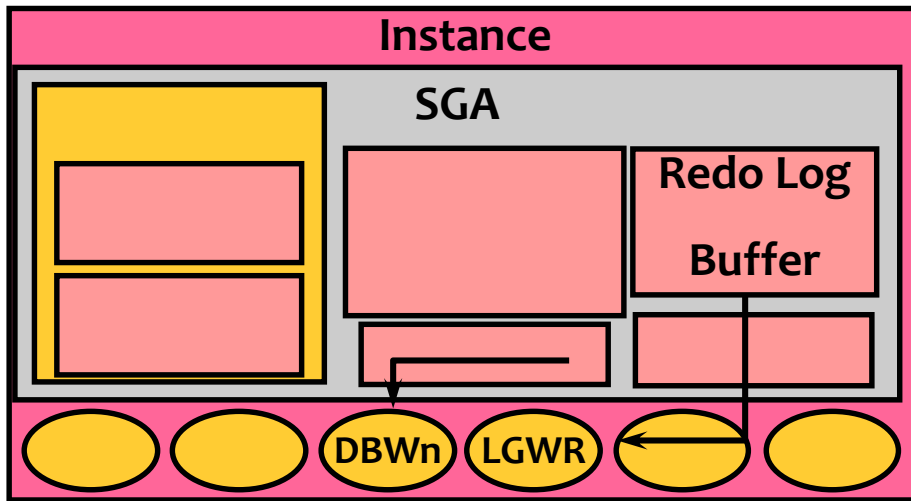
# Database Writer (DBWn)



## DBWn writes when:

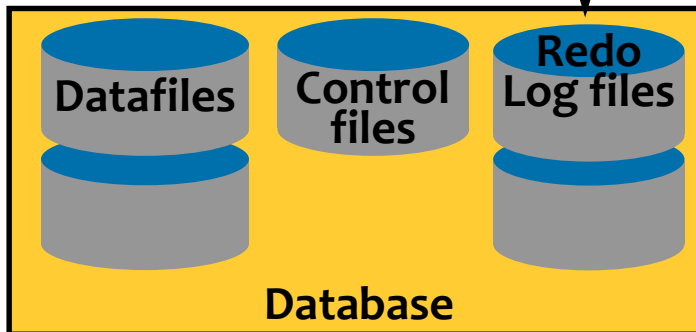
- Checkpoint occurs
- Dirty buffers reach threshold
- There are no free buffers
- Timeout occurs
- RAC ping request is made
- Tablespace OFFLINE
- Tablespace READ ONLY
- Table DROP or TRUNCATE
- Tablespace BEGIN BACKUP

# Log Writer (LGWR)

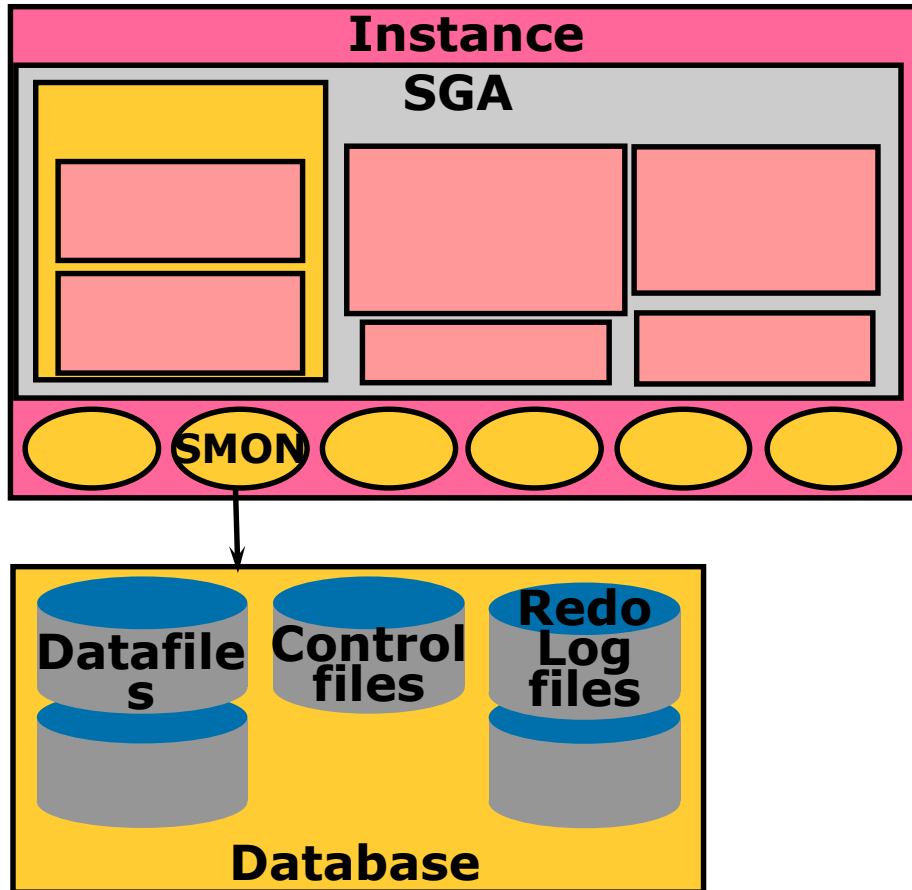


## LGWR writes:

- At commit
- When one-third full
- When there is 1 MB of redo
- Every three seconds
- Before DBWn writes



# System Monitor (SMON)

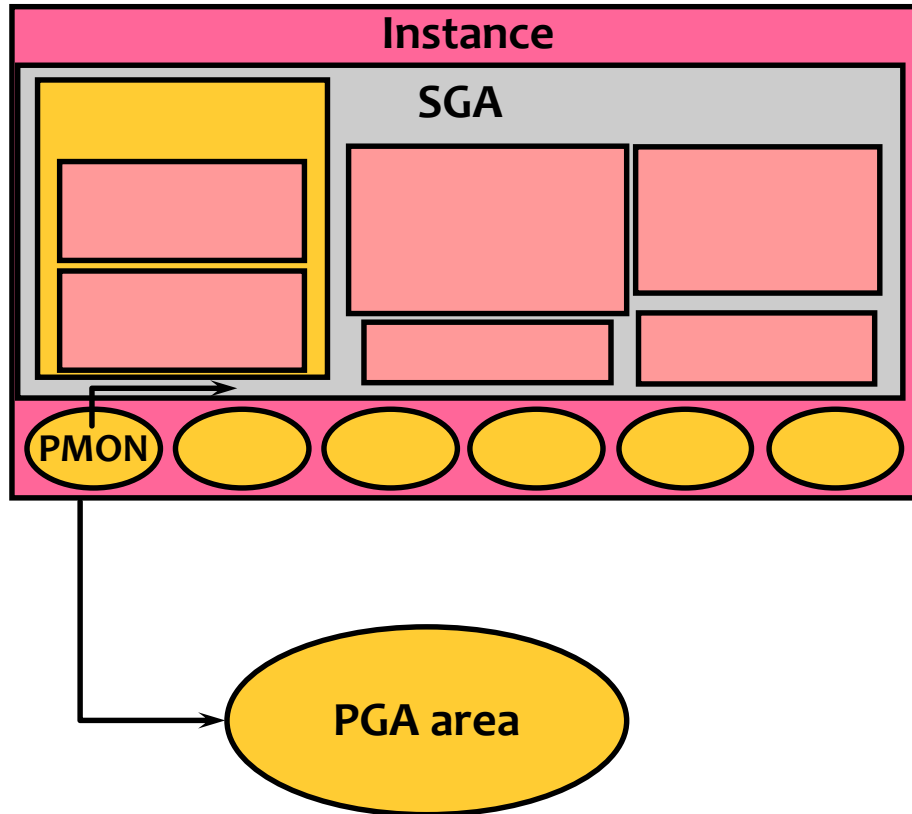


## Responsibilities:

- Instance recovery
  - Rolls forward changes in redo logs
  - Opens database for user access
  - Rolls back uncommitted transactions
- Coalesces free space
- Deallocates temporary segments



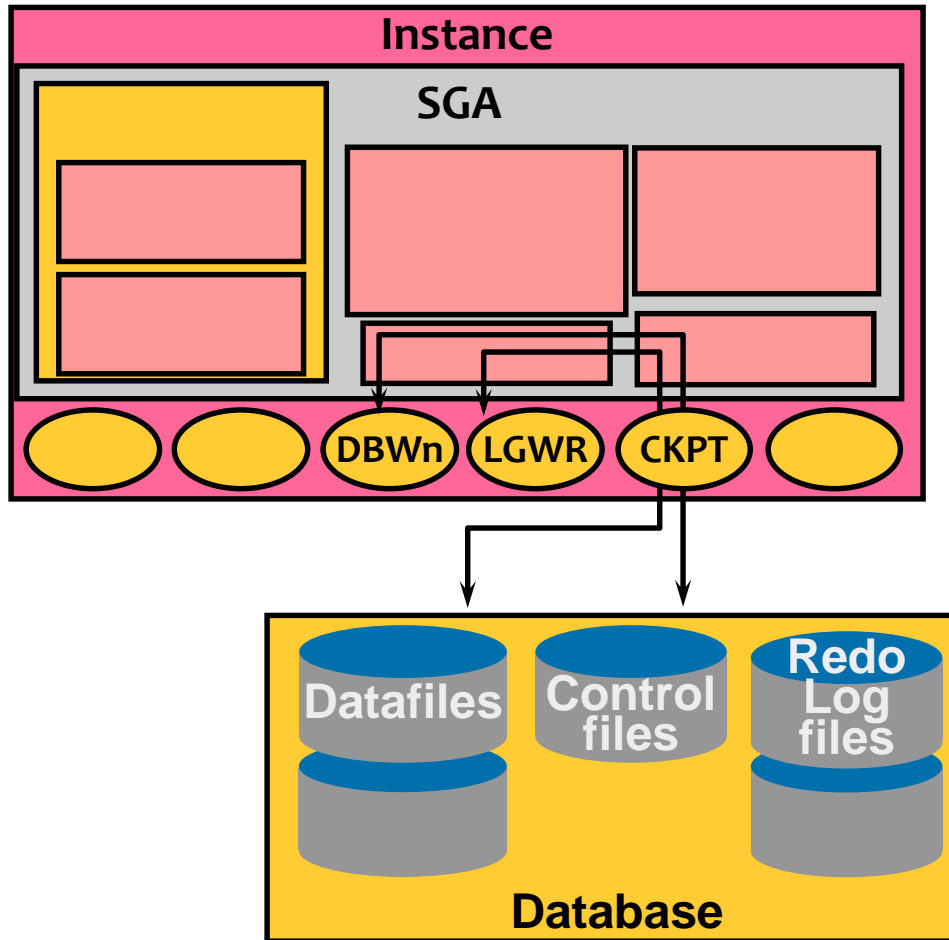
# Process Monitor (PMON)



Cleans up after failed processes by:

- Rolling back the transaction
- Releasing locks
- Releasing other resources
- Restarting dead dispatchers

# Checkpoint (CKPT)



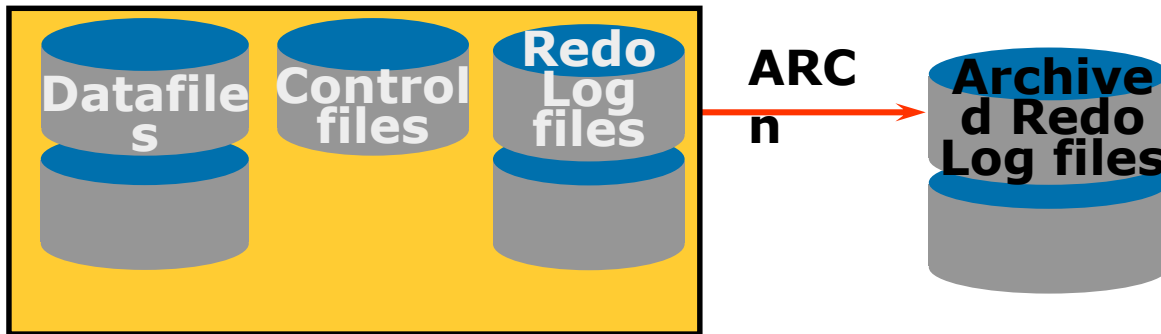
Responsible for:

- Signaling DBWn at checkpoints
- Updating datafile headers with checkpoint information
- Updating control files with checkpoint information



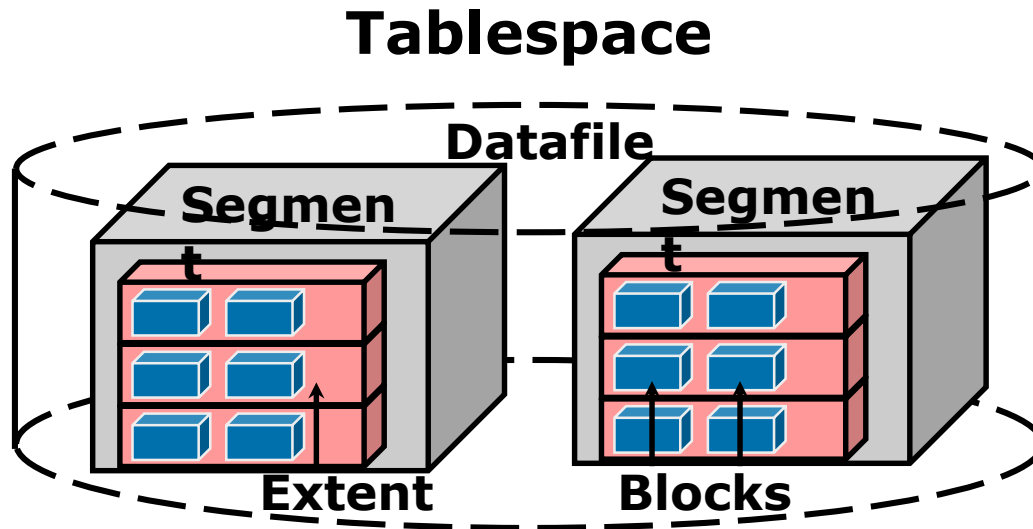
## Archiver (ARCn)

- Optional background process
- Automatically archives online redo logs when ARCHIVELOG mode is set
- Preserves the record of all changes made to the database





- Dictates how the physical space of a database is used
- Hierarchy consisting of tablespaces, segments, extents, and blocks





# Processing SQL Statements

Connect to an instance using:

- User process
- Server process

The Oracle server components that are used depend on the type of SQL statement:

- Queries return rows
- DML statements log changes
- Commit ensures transaction recovery

Some Oracle server components do not participate in SQL statement processing



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