ORACLE DATABASE UPGRADE FROM 12C TO 19C

Create a directory for 19C Database -

[oracle@oracle home]\$ pwd /u03/apps/oracle/server/19/home

- Unzip the 19C zipfile into the home folder, then run the installer script.
- Installer Script runinstaller
- Install only the software.
- Then run the preupgrade script from the active database(12C) SINGLE LINE COMMAND /u02/apps/oracle/server/12.2/home/jdk/bin/java -jar /home/oracle/server/19C/home/rdbms/admin/preupgrade.jar FILE DIR /home/oracle/bkp/dbupgrade/

- Run the preupgrade.sql script from the active database(12C) which will resides in the folder /home/oracle/bkp/dbupgrade/preupgrade_fixups.sql.
- After executing, it brings the issues and necessary actions that can be taken to do the upgrade.

SQL> @/home/oracle/bkp/dbupgrade/preupgrade fixups.sql Executing Oracle PRE-Upgrade Fixup Script Auto-Generated by: Oracle Preupgrade Script Version: 19.0.0.0.0 Build: 1 Generated on: 2025-02-13 20:08:09 For Source Database: ORCL Source Database Version: 12.2.0.1.0 For Upgrade to Version: 19.0.0.0.0 Preup Preupgrade Action Issue Is Number Preupgrade Check Name Remedied Further DBA Action 1. min_recovery_area_size YES None. YES NO dictionary_stats None. pre fixed objects None. tablespaces info Informational only. Further action is optional. 5. rman recovery version NO Informational only. Further action is optional. The fixup scripts have been run and resolved what they can. However, there are still issues originally identified by the preupgrade that have not been remedied and are still present in the database. Depending on the severity of the specific issue, and the nature of the issue itself, that could mean that your database is not ready for upgrade. To resolve the outstanding issues, start by reviewing the preupgrade fixups.sql and searching it for the name of the failed CHECK NAME or Preupgrade Action Number listed above. There you will find the original corresponding diagnostic message from the preupgrade which explains in more detail what still needs

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

to be done.

Enable the active database should be in archivelog mode, create a guaranteed restore point.

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SQL> create restore point UPGRADE guarantee flashback database;
Restore point created.
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- Now, Shutdown the database and stop the listener.
- Then, copy the password file, pfile and listener file from active database directory to the target database directory

```
[oracle@oracle dbs]$ cp listener.ora orapwORCL initORCL.ora /home/oracle/server/19C/home/dbs
[oracle@oracle dbs]$ cd /home/oracle/server/19C/home/dbs
[oracle@oracle dbs]$ 11

total 16
-rw-r--r-- 1 oracle oinstall 3079 May 14 2015 init.ora
-rw-r--r-- 1 oracle oinstall 1157 Feb 13 20:47 initORCL.ora
-rw-r--r-- 1 oracle oinstall 310 Feb 13 20:47 listener.ora
-rw-r---- 1 oracle oinstall 3584 Feb 13 20:47 orapwORCL
```

Now, From the 19C oracle home, Source the ENV file and startup the database in upgrade mode.

```
[oracle@oracle ~]$ . 19up.env
[oracle@oracle ~]$
[oracle@oracle ~]$
[oracle@oracle ~]$ !sq
sqlplus / as sysdba
SQL*Plus: Release 19.0.0.0.0 - Production on Thu Feb 13 20:49:40 2025
Version 19.3.0.0.0
Copyright (c) 1982, 2019, Oracle. All rights reserved.
Connected to an idle instance.
SQL> startup upgrade
ORACLE instance started.
Total System Global Area 2516581464 bytes
Fixed Size
                             8899672 bytes
Fixed Size 8899672 bytes 
Variable Size 553648128 bytes
Variable Size 553648128 bytes
Database Buffers 1946157056 bytes
Redo Buffers
                             7876608 bytes
Database mounted.
Database opened.
SQL> SELECT NAME, OPEN MODE, STATUS, VERSION FROM V$DATABASE, V$INSTANCE;
NAME
OPEN MODE
STATUS
VERSION
ORCL
READ WRITE
OPEN MIGRATE
19.0.0.0.0
```

Then, from the 19C database's bin folder run the dbupgrade utility using nohup./dbupgrade -I /home/oracle/bkp/dbupgrade

Nohup - Silent installation

To view installation - tail -333f nohup.out

[oracle@oracle bin]\$ nohup ./dbupgrade -1 /home/oracle/bkp/dbupgrade nohup: ignoring input and appending output to 'nohup.out'

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[oracle@oracle bin]$ tail -333f nohup.out
Argument list for [/home/oracle/server/19C/home/rdbms/admin/catctl.pl]
For Oracle internal use only A = 0
Run in
Do not run in
Input Directory
                            d = 0
Echo OFF
                            E = 0
Simulate
Forced cleanup
                            F = 0
Log Id
Child Process
                           I = 0
Log Dir
                           1 = /home/oracle/bkp/dbupgrade/log
Priority List Name
Upgrade Mode active
                           M = 0
SQL Process Count
SQL PDB Process Count
                          N = 0
Open Mode Normal
Start Phase
                           p = 0
End Phase
                           P = 0
Reverse Order
                           r = 0
AutoUpgrade Resume
                           R = 0
Script
                            s = 0
Serial Run
                            S = 0
RO User Tablespaces
Display Phases
Debug catcon.pm
Debug catctl.pl
catctl.pl VERSION: [19.0.0.0.0]
          STATUS: [Production]
           BUILD: [RDBMS_19.3.0.0.0DBRU_LINUX.X64_190417]
```

Check the upgrade log in the directory where we created to store those three files,

[oracle@oracle dbupgrade]\$ cat upg summary.log Oracle Database Release 19 Post-Upgrade Status Tool 02-13-2025 21:55:3 Database Name: ORCL Component Current Full Elapsed Time Version HH:MM:SS Name Status Oracle Server UPGRADED 19.3.0.0.0 00:16:40 JServer JAVA Virtual Machine UPGRADED 19.3.0.0.0 00:01:20 Oracle XDK UPGRADED 19.3.0.0.0 00:01:03 Oracle Database Java Packages UPGRADED 19.3.0.0.0 00:00:11 OLAP Analytic Workspace UPGRADED 19.3.0.0.0 00:00:10 Oracle Label Security UPGRADED 19.3.0.0.0 00:00:05 Oracle Database Vault 19.3.0.0.0 00:00:17 UPGRADED Oracle Text UPGRADED 19.3.0.0.0 00:00:30 Oracle Workspace Manager UPGRADED 19.3.0.0.0 00:00:29 UPGRADED Oracle Real Application Clusters 19.3.0.0.0 00:00:00 Oracle XML Database UPGRADED 19.3.0.0.0 00:01:39 19.3.0.0.0 00:00:58 Oracle Multimedia UPGRADED UPGRADED 19.3.0.0.0 00:06:02 Spatial Oracle OLAP API 19.3.0.0.0 00:00:10 UPGRADED Datapatch 00:03:24 Final Actions 00:03:32 00:00:11 Post Upgrade Total Upgrade Time: 00:33:55 Database time zone version is 26. It is older than current release time zone version 32. Time zone upgrade is needed using the DBMS_DST package. Grand Total Upgrade Time: [0d:0h:36m:44s] [oracle@oracle dbupgrade]\$

- Now update the oratab for the new database.(In root, vi /etc/oratab).
- Now source the env for 19c and startup the database,

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[oracle@oracle ~]$ . 19up.env
[oracle@oracle ~]$ !sq
sqlplus / as sysdba
SQL*Plus: Release 19.0.0.0.0 - Production on Thu Feb 13 22:01:39 2025
Version 19.3.0.0.0
Copyright (c) 1982, 2019, Oracle. All rights reserved.
Connected to an idle instance.
SQL> startup
ORACLE instance started.
Total System Global Area 2516581464 bytes
Fixed Size
                           8899672 bytes
Variable Size
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Database Buffers 1946157056 bytes
Redo Buffers
                           7876608 bytes
Database mounted.
Database opened.
SQL> SELECT NAME, OPEN_MODE, STATUS, VERSION FROM V$DATABASE, V$INSTANCE;
NAME
OPEN MODE
STATUS
VERSION
ORCL
READ WRITE
OPEN
19.0.0.0.0
```

- Then execute the utlrp.sql tovalidate the invalid objects.
- ➤ Navigate to oracle_home/rdbms/admin and connect to database.
- > Then execute the @utlrp.sql script.

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SQL> @utlrp.sql
Session altered.
TIMESTAMP
COMP TIMESTAMP UTLRP BGN
                                      2025-02-13 22:06:08
DOC>
       The following PL/SQL block invokes UTL RECOMP to recompile invalid
DOC>
       objects in the database. Recompilation time is proportional to the
DOC>
      number of invalid objects in the database, so this command may take
DOC>
      a long time to execute on a database with a large number of invalid
DOC>
      objects.
DOC>
DOC>
      Use the following queries to track recompilation progress:
DOC>
DOC>
       1. Query returning the number of invalid objects remaining. This
DOC>
          number should decrease with time.
DOC>
             SELECT COUNT(*) FROM obj$ WHERE status IN (4, 5, 6);
DOC>
DOC>
       2. Query returning the number of objects compiled so far. This number
DOC>
          should increase with time.
DOC>
             SELECT COUNT (*) FROM UTL RECOMP COMPILED;
DOC>
DOC>
      This script automatically chooses serial or parallel recompilation
DOC>
      based on the number of CPUs available (parameter cpu count) multiplied
DOC>
      by the number of threads per CPU (parameter parallel threads per cpu).
DOC>
      On RAC, this number is added across all RAC nodes.
DOC>
DOC>
      UTL RECOMP uses DBMS SCHEDULER to create jobs for parallel
DOC>
       recompilation. Jobs are created without instance affinity so that they
DOC>
       can migrate across RAC nodes. Use the following queries to verify
DOC>
      whether UTL_RECOMP jobs are being created and run correctly:
DOC>
       1. Query showing jobs created by UTL RECOMP
DOC>
DOC>
             SELECT job name FROM dba scheduler jobs
DOC>
                WHERE job name like 'UTL RECOMP SLAVE %';
DOC>
DOC>
      2. Query showing UTL RECOMP jobs that are running
DOC>
             SELECT job name FROM dba scheduler running jobs
```

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SELECT COUNT(*) FROM obj\$ WHERE status IN (4, 5, 6);

2. Query returning the number of objects compiled so far. This number should increase with time.

SELECT COUNT(*) FROM UTL_RECOMP_COMPILED;

- > Then execute postupgrade fixups.sql script created when the first step is executed.
 - @/home/oracle/bkp/dbupgrade/postupgrade_fixups.sql

No errors.

Executing Oracle POST-Upgrade Fixup Script

Auto-Generated by: Oracle Preupgrade Script

Version: 19.0.0.0.0 Build: 1

Generated on: 2025-02-13 20:08:19

For Source Database: ORCL

Source Database Version: 12.2.0.1.0 For Upgrade to Version: 19.0.0.0.0

Preup Action Number	Preupgrade Check Name	Preupgrade Issue Is Remedied	Further DBA Action
6.	old time zones exist	NO	Manual fixup recommended.
7.	dir_symlinks	YES	None.
8.	post_dictionary	YES	None.
9.	post_fixed_objects	NO	Informational only.
			Further action is optional

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PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

Session altered.

Resolve the timezone error by runing the script from

@\$ORACLE_HOME/rdbms/admin/utltz_upg_check.sql

> Run the post upgrade validation tool to validate the upgrade process.

@\$ORACLE HOME/rdbms/admin/utlusts.sql

SQL> @\$ORACLE HOME/rdbms/admin/utlusts.sql Enter value for 1: 1 Oracle Database Release 19 Post-Upgrade Status Tool 02-13-2025 22:28:2 Database Name: ORCL Full Component Current Elapsed Time HH:MM:SS Name Status Version Oracle Server VALID 19.3.0.0.0 00:16:40 JServer JAVA Virtual Machine 19.3.0.0.0 00:01:20 VALID 19.3.0.0.0 00:01:03 Oracle XDK VALID Oracle Database Java Packages VALID 19.3.0.0.0 00:00:11 OLAP Analytic Workspace 19.3.0.0.0 00:00:10 VALID VALID 19.3.0.0.0 00:00:05 Oracle Label Security Oracle Database Vault VALID 19.3.0.0.0 00:00:17 19.3.0.0.0 00:00:30 Oracle Text VALID Oracle Workspace Manager 19.3.0.0.0 00:00:29 VALID Oracle Real Application Clusters OPTION OFF 19.3.0.0.0 00:00:00 Oracle XML Database VALID 19.3.0.0.0 00:01:39 Oracle Multimedia VALID 19.3.0.0.0 00:00:58 VALID 19.3.0.0.0 00:06:02 Spatial Oracle OLAP API VALID 19.3.0.0.0 00:00:10 Datapatch 00:03:24 Final Actions 00:03:32 Post Upgrade 00:00:11 00:05:58 Post Compile Total Upgrade Time: 00:39:53 Database time zone version is 26. It is older than current release time zone version 32. Time zone upgrade is needed using the DBMS DST package.

Upgrade the timezone by running,

@\$ORACLE HOME/rdbms/admin/utltz upg apply.sql

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SQL> @$ORACLE_HOME/rdbms/admin/utltz_upg_apply.sql

Session altered.

INFO: If an ERROR occurs, the script will EXIT SQL*Plus.
INFO: The database RDBMS DST version will be updated to DSTv32.

WARNING: This script will restart the database 2 times

WARNING: WITHOUT asking ANY confirmation.

WARNING: Hit control-c NOW if this is not intended.

INFO: Restarting the database in UPGRADE mode to start the DST upgrade.

Database closed.

Database dismounted.

ORACLE instance shut down.
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Drop the restore point previously created.

SQL> drop restore point UPGRADE; Restore point dropped. Set the parameters to be compatible, execute:

alter system set compatible='19.0.0' scope=spfile;

- Ensure the database is running on spfile.
- > Start the listener to ensure the proper connection is established.

```
[oracle@oracle bin]$ lsnrctl start
LSNRCTL for Linux: Version 19.0.0.0.0 - Production on 13-FEB-2025 22:54:40
Copyright (c) 1991, 2019, Oracle. All rights reserved.
Starting /home/oracle/server/19C/home/bin/tnslsnr: please wait...
TNSLSNR for Linux: Version 19.0.0.0.0 - Production
og messages written to /home/oracle/server/19C/diag/tnslsnr/oracle/listener/alert/log.xml
Listening on: (DESCRIPTION=(ADDRESS=(PROTOCOL=tcp)(HOST=oracle)(PORT=1521)))
Connecting to (ADDRESS=(PROTOCOL=tcp)(HOST=)(PORT=1521))
TATUS of the LISTENER
Alias
                         LISTENER
                         TNSLSNR for Linux: Version 19.0.0.0.0 - Production
Version
Start Date
                         13-FEB-2025 22:54:40
                         0 days 0 hr. 0 min. 0 sec
Jotime
race Level
                         ON: Local OS Authentication
Security
SNMP
Listener Log File
                         /home/oracle/server/19C/diag/tnslsnr/oracle/listener/alert/log.xml
Listening Endpoints Summary...
 (DESCRIPTION=(ADDRESS=(PROTOCOL=tcp) (HOST=oracle) (PORT=1521)))
The listener supports no services
The command completed successfully
[oracle@oracle bin1$
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ERROR FACED:

➤ Ensure the restore point is dropped before changing the compatibility to 19.0.0 or else the db cannot be started or even mounted

Manual steps to follow:

Manual upgrade Steps to follow

- 1.12c database installed
- 2.19c software alone install
- 3.run preupgrade.jar -->From 12c home run the jarfile in 19c home --> create a new dir /u04/preupgrade
- 4. After runnig preupdrade. jar it will give 3 new files,
- preupgrade_fixups.sql,postupgrade_fixups.sql,preupgrade.log
- 5. Now run preupgrade fixups.sql --> it will list the fix to apply
- 6.Create restore point on 12c, DB should be in archive log mode.
- 7.Shutdown 12c DB, down the listener, cp passwd,pfile,lisnter from old home to new home 19c 8.start up 19c DB --> startup upgrade
- 9.run db upgrade utility on the 19c home/bin
- 10.run utlusts.sql
- 11. run utlrp.sql to make all the invalide object are become valide

12.Run postupgrade_fixups.sql	
13.Update the timezone	
14.exec object stats dictinory stats	
15.Drop the restore point	
16.Update compatibility	
17.Bounce the DB and check the status	