Oracle Software Installation Basics

Objectives

After completing this lesson, you should be able to:

- Plan an Oracle Database and Oracle Grid Infrastructure for standalone server software installation
- Use the Oracle RDBMS Pre-Install RPM
- Configure the Oracle software owner environment
- Invoke the appropriate Oracle Universal Installer (OUI)

Planning Your Installation

- What Oracle software are you installing?
- Does the hardware involved meet the minimum required specifications?
- Is there a recommended order of installation when multiple products are involved?
- Are there prerequisite steps that must be performed by someone other than the DBA?



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Configuring Oracle Linux with Oracle RDBMS Pre-Install RPM

To configure a server using Oracle Linux and the Oracle RDBMS Pre-Install RPM:

- 1. Install Oracle Linux.
- Register your Linux distribution with Oracle Unbreakable Linux Network (ULN), or download and configure the yum repository for your system.
- 3. Install the RPM:
 - Oracle RDBMS Pre-Install RPM for Oracle Linux 6
 - Oracle Validated RPM with the RPM for Oracle Linux 5

Operating System Groups and Users

Oracle Pre-Install RPM configures:

- oracle: Oracle Database installation owner
- oinstall: Oracle Inventory group
- dba: Oracle administrative privileges group

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Environment Variables

The following Oracle environment variables are suggested by the OUI during installation:

- ORACLE BASE: Base of the Oracle directory structure
- ORACLE_HOME: Oracle Grid Infrastructure home directory or Oracle Database home directory depending on the product that is being installed

Configuring the Oracle Software Owner Environment

Prior to installing the Oracle software, configure the Oracle software owner environment:

- Set the default file mode creation mask (umask) to 022 in the shell startup file.
- Unset Oracle environment variables (ORACLE_HOME, ORACLE BASE, ORACLE SID, and TNS ADMIN).
- Remove \$ORACLE_HOME/bin from your PATH environment variable.

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Using Oracle Universal Installer (OUI)



Installation Option: Silent Mode



To install and configure Oracle products with OUI in silent mode, perform the following steps:

- 1. Prepare a response file by:
 - Using one of the file templates that is delivered with the Oracle software
 - Recording a response file during an installation process using the OUI by clicking Save Response File on the summary page
- 2. Run OUI in silent or response file mode.
 ./runInstaller -silent -responsefile <filename>
 If required, run ASMCA, DBCA, and NetCA in silent mode.

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Summary

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