

Exploring Oracle Database 12c Multitenant Best Practices for your Cloud

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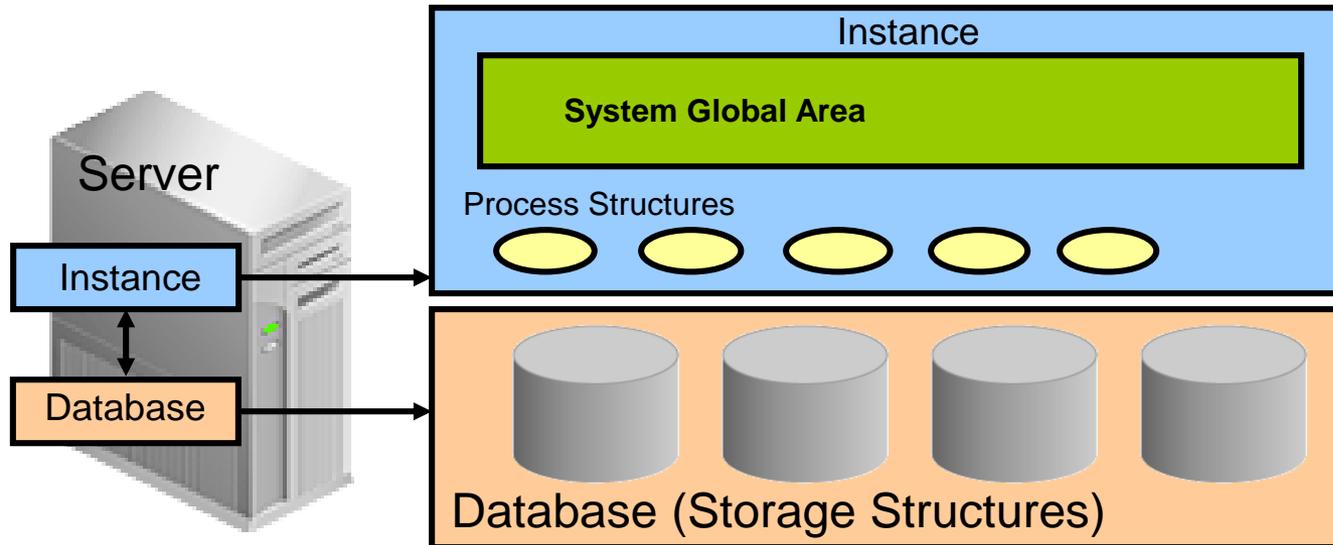
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Oracle Database in 11g Release 2

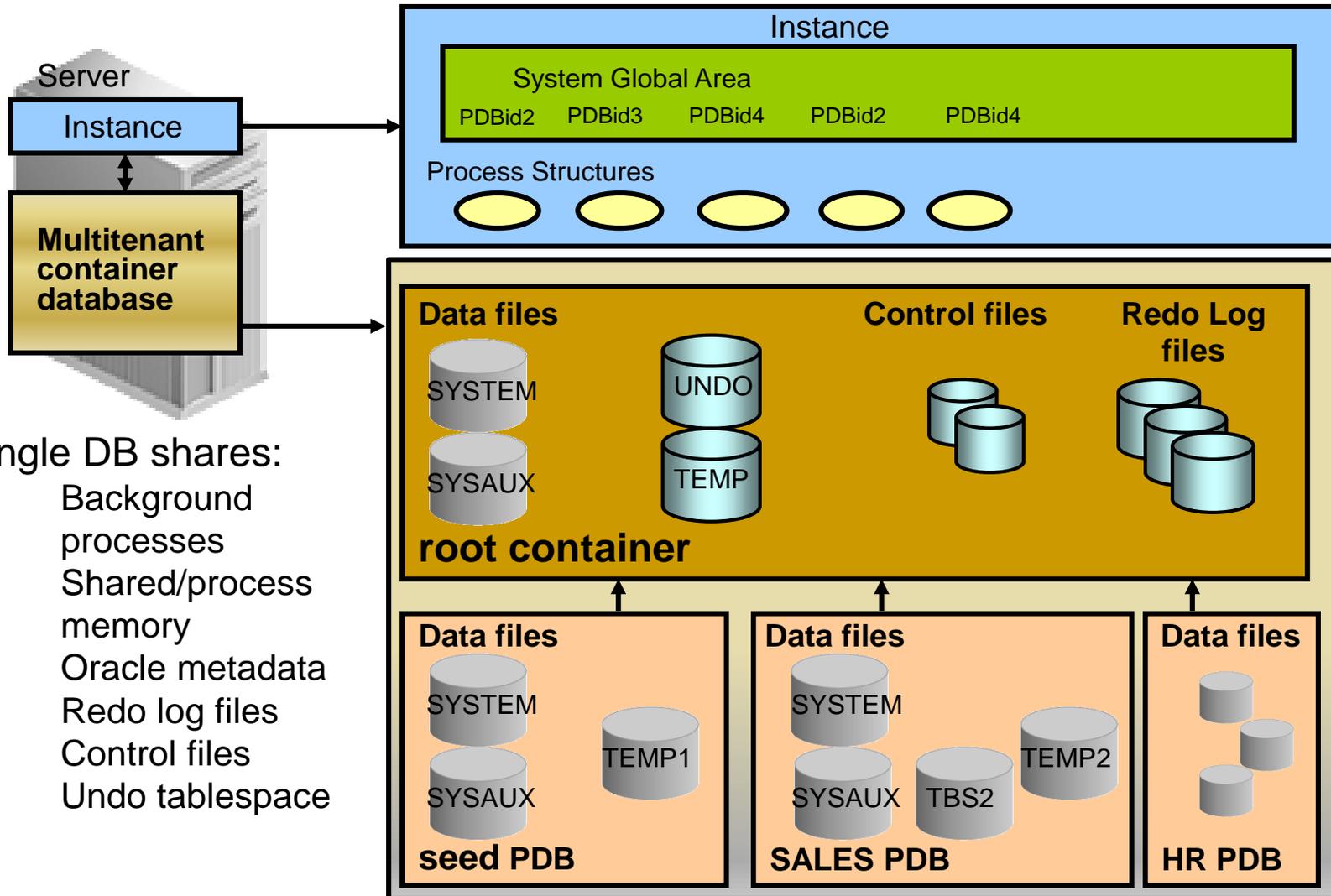
Pre-12c



Multiple non-CDBs share nothing:

- Too many background processes
- High shared/process memory
- Many copies of Oracle metadata

Multitenant Container Database Architecture



Single DB shares:

- Background processes
- Shared/process memory
- Oracle metadata
- Redo log files
- Control files
- Undo tablespace

New Multitenant Architecture: Benefits

- Operates **multiple databases in a centrally managed platform** to lower costs:
 - Less instance overhead
 - Less storage cost
- No application changes
- **Fast and easy provisioning**
- Ensures **full backwards-compatibility** with non-CDBs
- Fully operates with RAC and Data Guard
- Is supported by Enterprise Manager
- Allows **central management and administration of multiple databases**
 - Backups or disaster recovery
 - Patching and upgrades

Containers

Two types of containers in `V$CONTAINERS`:

- The root container:
 - The first container created at CDB creation
 - Mandatory
 - Oracle system-supplied common objects and metadata
 - Oracle system-supplied common users and roles
- Pluggable database containers (PDBs):
 - A container for an application:
 - Tablespaces (permanent and temporary)
 - Schemas / objects / privileges
 - Created / cloned / unplugged / plugged
 - Particular seed PDB:
 - `PDB$SEED` provides fast provisioning of a new PDB
 - Limit of 253 PDBs in a CDB including the seed
 - Limit of 1024 services in a CDB

Deployment – CDB Creation and Configuration

- Use DBCA
- Standardize your database options and character set
- Size the CDB as you would a large database
 - Configure Huge Pages is SGA > 30GB
 - Modify memlock limits accordingly
 - Use ASMM
 - Set processes to 100 * physical core
 - Set SGA_TARGET to 60% of physical memory
 - Automatic PGA memory management (20% of SGA)
 - Redo: minimum 4GB and size to switch max <= 10-20 mins, 3-4 redo log groups, archive

Deployment – PDB Creation and Configuration

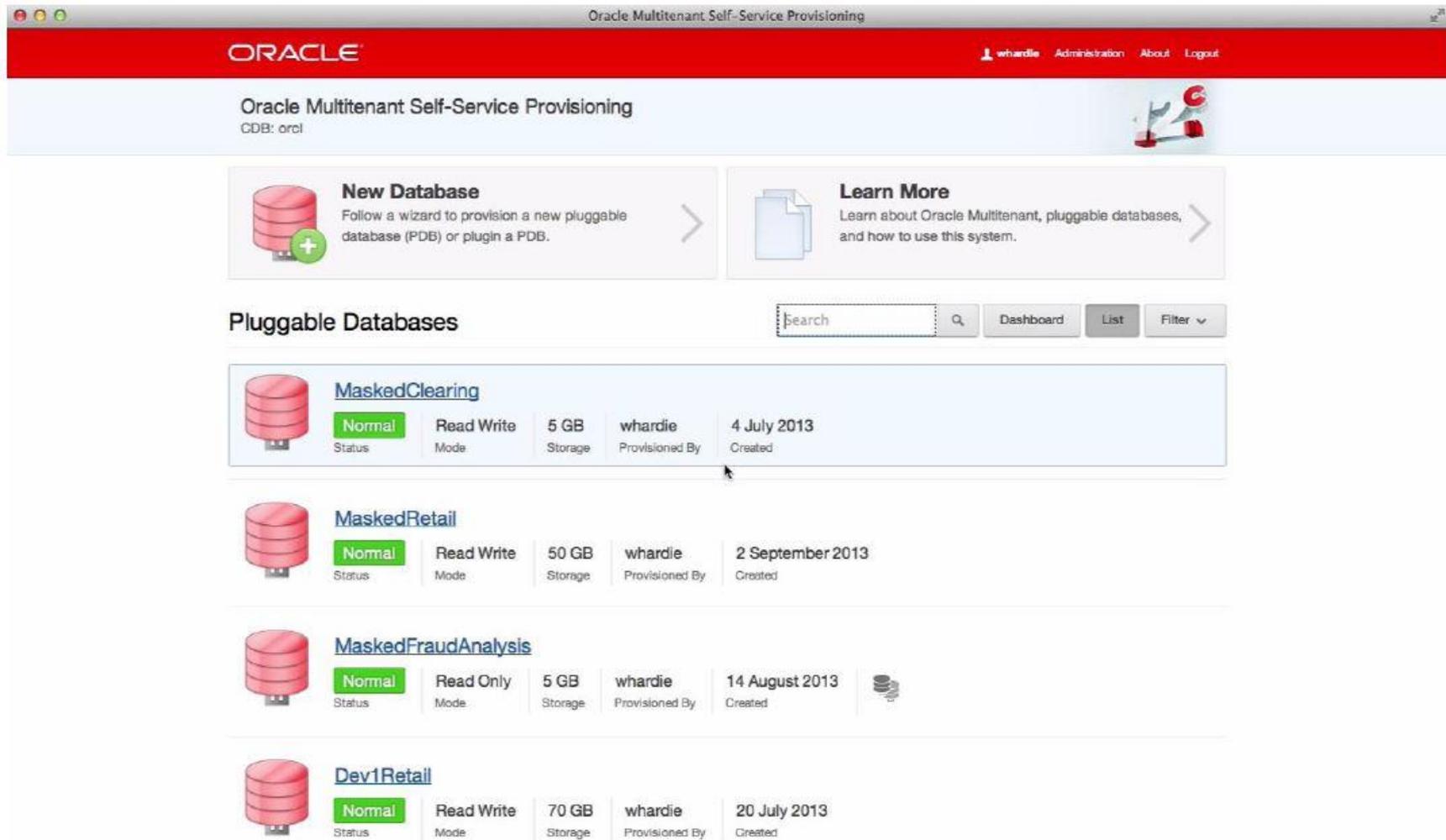
- Clone
- Configure clone quotas and storage limits
- Don't modify PDB\$SEED
- Create and customize your own SEED
- Use CREATE_FILE_DEST for PDB file destination (12.1.0.2)
- Check ISPDB_MODIFIABLE evaluate and adjust parameters that affects application performance (optimizer, cursors...)
- Check PDB parameter settings in your session

Oracle Pluggable Database Self-Service Provisioning Application

- Self-service provisioning of pluggable databases (PDBs)
- Easy and productive way for DBAs and developers to create, clone, plug and unplug PDBs
- Prerequisites:
 - Oracle Database 12c Release 1 (12.1.0.2.0 or above)
 - Oracle Application Express 4.2.5 or above
 - Oracle REST Data Services 2.0.6 or above

<http://www.oracle.com/technetwork/database/multitenant/downloads/multitenant-pdbss-2016324.html>

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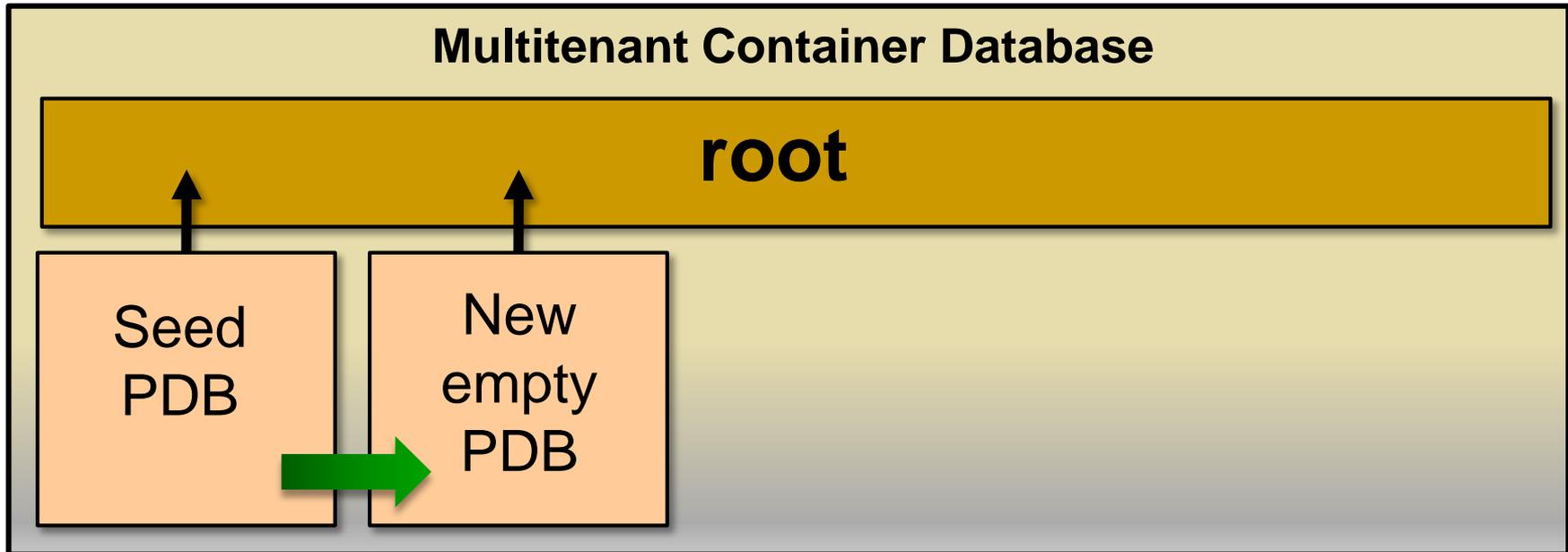
The screenshot shows the Oracle Multitenant Self-Service Provisioning application interface. The page title is "Oracle Multitenant Self-Service Provisioning" with CDB: orcl. The interface includes a navigation bar with the Oracle logo and user information (whardie, Administration, About, Logout). Below the navigation bar, there are two main action buttons: "New Database" and "Learn More".

The "New Database" button contains the text: "Follow a wizard to provision a new pluggable database (PDB) or plugin a PDB." The "Learn More" button contains the text: "Learn about Oracle Multitenant, pluggable databases, and how to use this system."

Below these buttons is a section titled "Pluggable Databases" with a search input field and navigation buttons (Dashboard, List, Filter). The list of databases is as follows:

Name	Status	Mode	Storage	Provisioned By	Created
MaskedClearing	Normal	Read Write	5 GB	whardie	4 July 2013
MaskedRetail	Normal	Read Write	50 GB	whardie	2 September 2013
MaskedFraudAnalysis	Normal	Read Only	5 GB	whardie	14 August 2013
Dev1Retail	Normal	Read Write	70 GB	whardie	20 July 2013

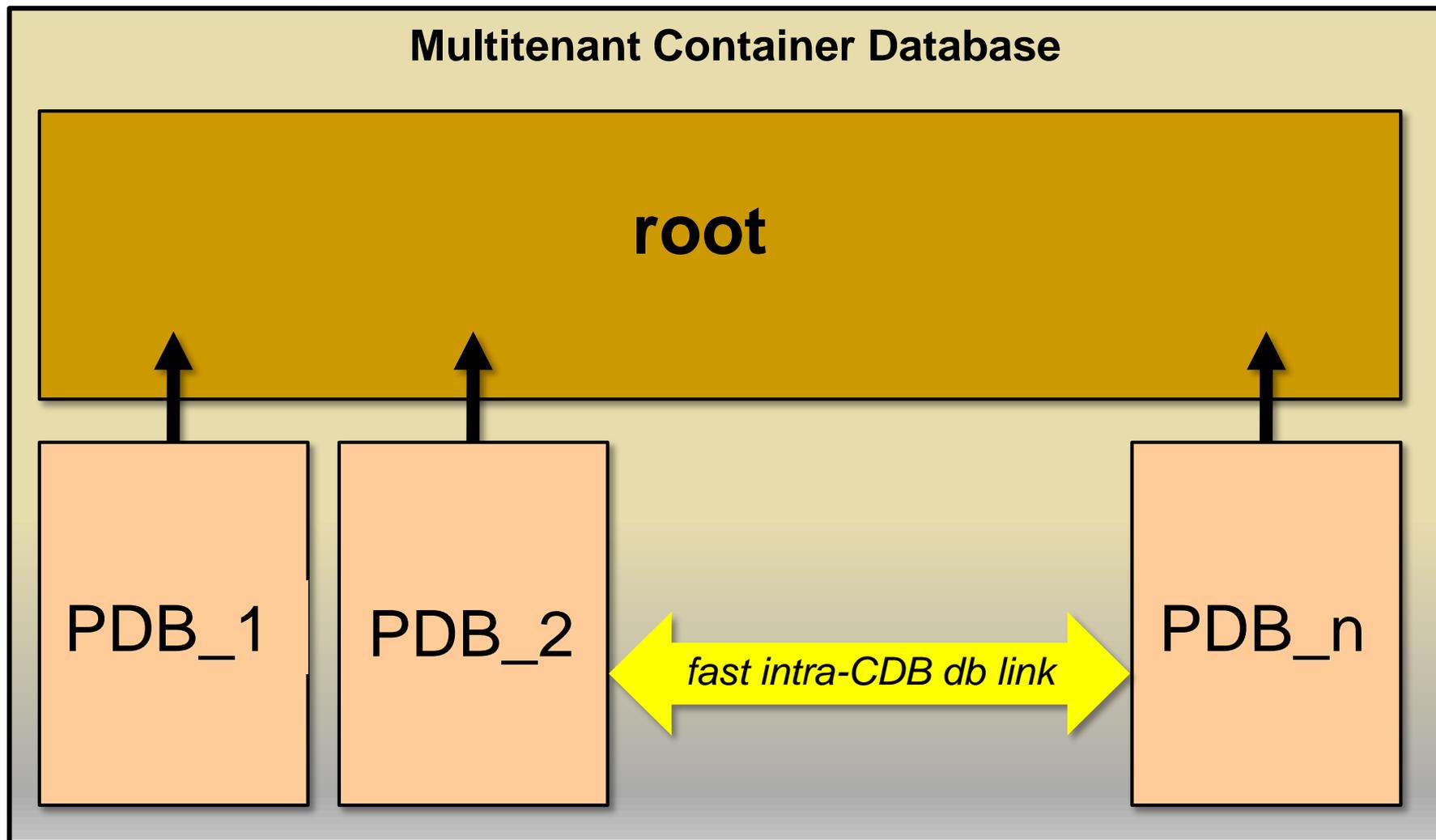
Provisioning a Pluggable Database



Different methods:

- Create new PDB from `PDB$SEED` pluggable database.
- Plug in a non-CDB.
- Clone a non-CDB into a CDB, or a PDB into the same or another CDB.
- Plug an unplugged PDB into a CDB.

Interacting Within Multitenant Container Database



Data Dictionary Views

CDB__{xxx} All objects in the multitenant container database across all PDBs

DBA__{xxx} All of the objects in a container or pluggable database

ALL__{xxx} Objects accessible by the current user

USER__{xxx} Objects owned by the current user

```
SQL> SELECT view_name FROM dba_views WHERE view_name like 'CDB%';
```

- CDB_pdb_s: All PDBS within CDB
- CDB_tablespace_s: All tablespaces within CDB
- CDB_user_s: All users within CDB (common and local)

DBA dictionary views providing information within PDB:

```
SQL> SELECT table_name FROM dict WHERE table_name like 'DBA%';
```

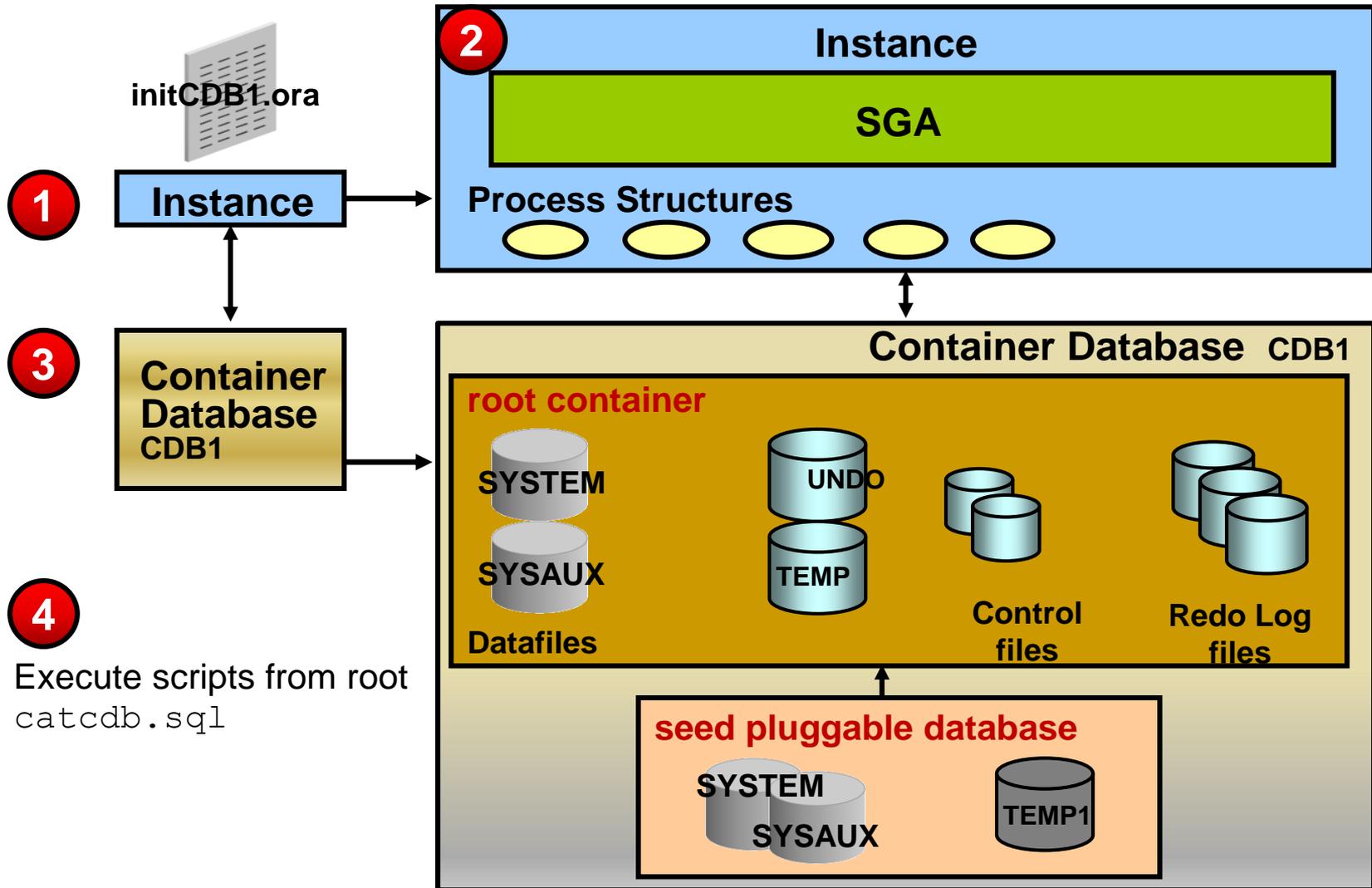
Impacts

- One character set for all PDBs (Unicode recommended)
- PDB initialization parameters but a single SPFILE
- No PDB qualified database object names
 - ~~SELECT * FROM HR:apps.tab1~~
 - Use DB Links: SELECT * FROM [apps.tab1@HR](#)
- Oracle Data Guard at CDB level
- Oracle Database Vault per PDB only
- One master key per PDB to encrypt PDB data
- Unified audit both at CDB and PDB levels
- Oracle Scheduler
- Oracle GoldenGate
- Oracle Streams
- Oracle XStream both at CDB and PDB levels

Tools

	SQL*Plus	OUI	DBCA	EM Cloud Control	EM Database Express	SQL Developer	DBUA
Create a new CDB or PDB	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes (PDB only)	Yes (PDB only)	Yes (PDB only)	
Explore CDB instance, architecture and PDBs	Yes			Yes	Yes	Yes	
Upgrade a 12.1 CDB to 12.x CDB				Yes			Yes

Steps to Create a Container Database



Creating a Container Database: Using SQL*Plus

1. Instance startup:

a. Set `ORACLE_SID=CDB1`

b. Set in `initCDB1.ora`:

- Set `CONTROL_FILES` to CDB control file names.
- Set `DB_NAME` to CDB name.
- Set `ENABLE_PLUGGABLE_DATABASE` to `TRUE`.

```
SQL> CONNECT / AS SYSDBA
SQL> STARTUP NOMOUNT
```

2. Create the database:

```
SQL> CREATE DATABASE CDB1 ENABLE PLUGGABLE DATABASE ...
SEED FILE_NAME_CONVERT ('/oracle/dbs', '/oracle/seed');
```

- `CDB$ROOT` container
- `PDB$SEED` pluggable database

3. Run the `catcdb.sql` script.

Creating a Container Database: Using DBCA

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ORACLE DATABASE 12c

Creation Mode

- Database Operation
- Creation Mode**
- Pre Requisite Checks
- Summary
- Progress Page

Create a database with default configuration

Global Database Name:

Storage Type:

Database Files Location:

Fast Recovery Area:

Administrative Password:

Confirm Password:

Create As Container Database

Pluggable Database Name

Advanced Mode

Allows customization of storage locations, initialization parameters, management options, database options and different passwords for Administrator user accounts.

After CDB Creation: To-Do List

After CDB creation, the CDBA has to:

- Set a separate default tablespace for the root and for each PDB
- Set a default temporary tablespace for each container
- Start the listener
- Plug non-CDBs
- Test startup/shutdown procedures
- Define default PDB state to automate PDBs opening 12.1.0.2
- Create backup and recovery procedures

Provisioning New Pluggable Databases

Different methods:

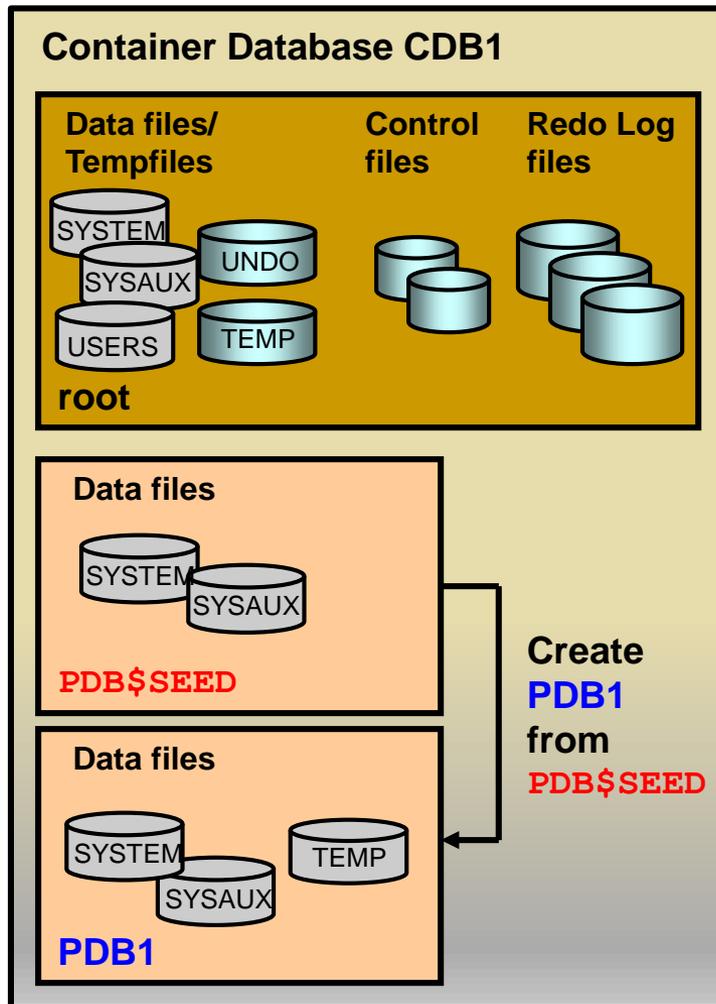
- Create a new PDB from the seed PDB.
- Plug or clone a non-CDB into a CDB.
- Clone:
 - A local PDB into the same CDB
 - A remote PDB into a CDB
- Plug an unplugged PDB into another CDB.

Tools

To provision new PDBs, you can use:

- SQL*Plus
- SQL Developer
- Enterprise Manager Cloud Control
- Enterprise Manager Database Express
- DBCA
 - Copy from seed
 - By unplugging/plugging method

Method 1: Create New PDB from PDB\$SEED



- Copies the data files from PDB\$SEED data files
- Creates SYSTEM and SYSAUX tablespaces
- Creates a full catalog including metadata pointing to Oracle-supplied objects
- Creates a temporary tablespace, TEMP
- Creates common users:
 - Superuser SYS
 - SYSTEM
- Creates a local user (PDBA) granted local PDB_DBA role
- Creates a new default service

Steps: With Location Clauses

Connect to the root as a common user with the CREATE PLUGGABLE DATABASE privilege:

- Use **FILE_NAME_CONVERT**:

```
SQL> CREATE PLUGGABLE DATABASE pdb1
      ADMIN USER admin1 IDENTIFIED BY p1 ROLES=(CONNECT)
      FILE_NAME_CONVERT = ('PDB$SEEDdir', 'PDB1dir');
```

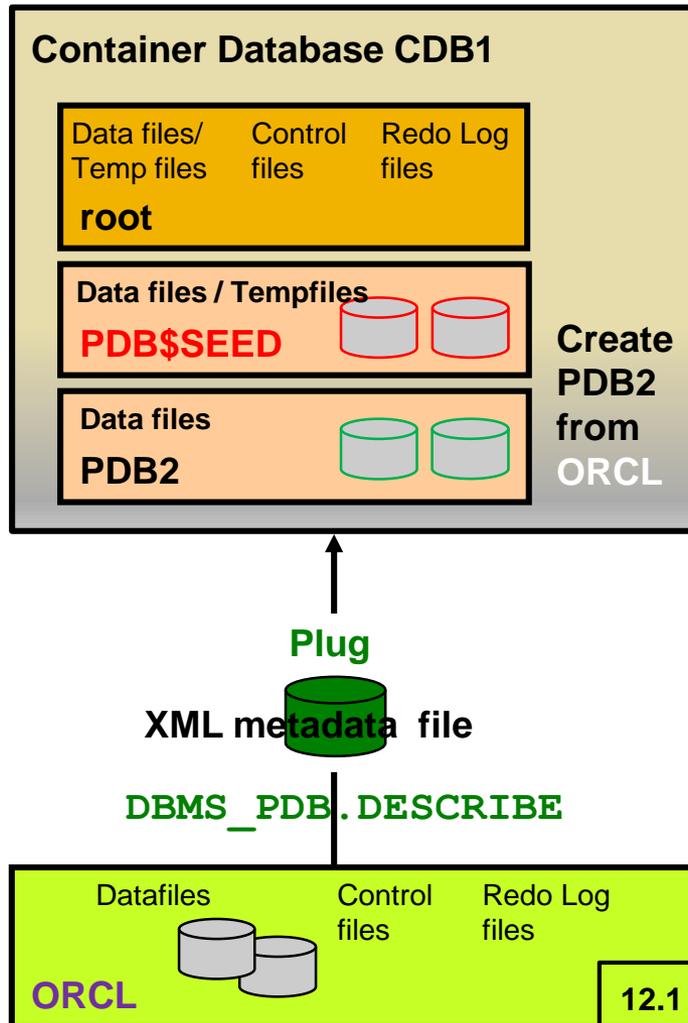
- Use **CREATE_FILE_DEST**: 12.1.0.2

```
SQL> CREATE PLUGGABLE DATABASE pdb2
      ADMIN USER admin2 IDENTIFIED BY p2 ROLES=(CONNECT)
      CREATE_FILE_DEST = 'PDB2dir';
```

- Use views to verify:

```
SQL> CONNECT / AS SYSDBA
SQL> SELECT * FROM cdb_pdbs;
SQL> SELECT * FROM cdb_tablespaces;
SQL> SELECT * FROM cdb_data_files;
SQL> CONNECT sys@pdb1 AS SYSDBA
SQL> CONNECT admin1@pdb1
```

Plug a Non-CDB in to CDB Using DBMS_PDB



1. Open **ORCL** in **READ ONLY** mode.

2.

```
SQL> EXEC DBMS_PDB.DESCRIBE
      ('/tmp/ORCL.xml')
```

3. Connect to the target CDB1 CDB as a common user with CREATE PLUGGABLE DATABASE privilege.

4. Plug in the unplugged **ORCL** as PDB2.

```
SQL> CREATE PLUGGABLE DATABASE
      PDB2 USING '/tmp/ORCL.xml';
```

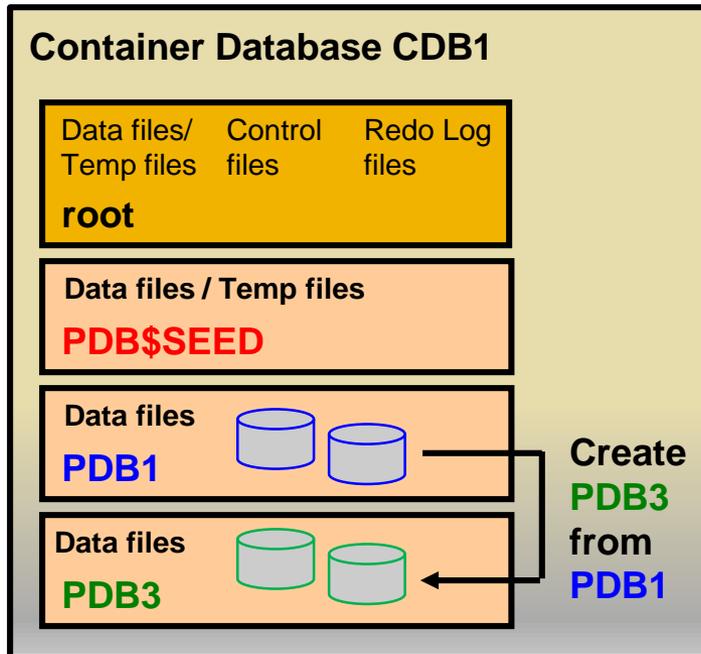
5. Run the noncdb_to_pdb.sql script.

```
SQL> CONNECT sys@PDB2 AS SYSDBA
SQL> @$ORACLE_HOME/rdbms/admin/noncdb_to_pdb
```

6. Open PDB2.

```
SQL> ALTER PLUGGABLE DATABASE
      PDB2 OPEN;
```

Method 3: Clone Local PDBs



PDB3 owns:

- SYSTEM, SYSAUX tablespaces
- Full catalog
- A temporary tablespace
- SYS, SYSTEM common users
- Same local administrator name
- New service name

1. Set the `DB_CREATE_FILE_DEST` or `DB_FILE_NAME_CONVERT` instance parameter or use the `CREATE_FILE_DEST` clause. 12.1.0.2

2. Connect to the root.

3. Quiesce **PDB1**:

```
SQL> ALTER PLUGGABLE DATABASE
      pdb1 CLOSE;
SQL> ALTER PLUGGABLE DATABASE
      pdb1 OPEN READ ONLY;
```

4. Clone **PDB3** from **PDB1**:

```
SQL> CREATE PLUGGABLE DATABASE
      pdb3 FROM pdb1;
```

5. Open **PDB3** in read-write mode.

```
SQL> ALTER PLUGGABLE DATABASE
      pdb3 OPEN;
```

6. Reopen **PDB1**.

Method 4: Plug Unplugged PDB in to CDB

Unplug **PDB1** from **CDB1**:

1. Connect to **CDB1** as a common user.
2. Verify that **PDB1** is closed.

3.

```
SQL> ALTER PLUGGABLE DATABASE
      pdb1 UNPLUG INTO
      'xmlfile1.xml';
```

4. Optionally, drop **PDB1** from **CDB1**.

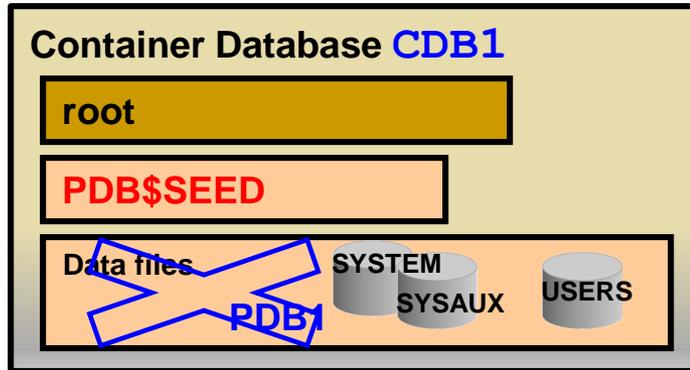
Plug **PDB1** in to **CDB2**:

1. Connect to **CDB2** as a common user.
2. Use `DBMS_PDB` package to check the compatibility of **PDB1** with **CDB2**.

3.

```
SQL> CREATE PLUGGABLE DATABASE
      pdb1 USING 'xmlfile1.xml'
      NOCOPY;
```

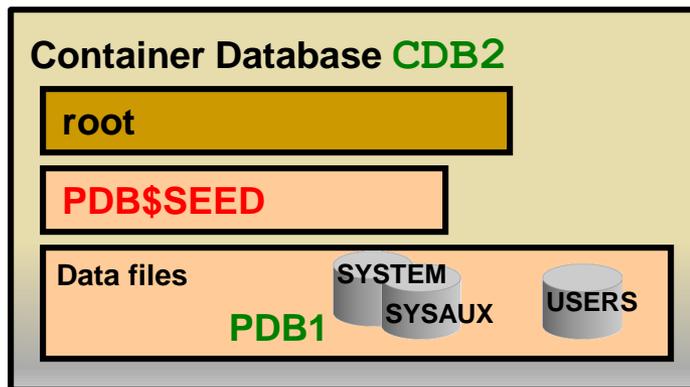
4. Open **PDB1** in read-write mode.



Unplug **PDB1**



Plug **PDB1**



Plug Sample Schemas PDB: Using DBCA

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Database Operation 1

Select the operation that you want to perform:

- Create Database
- Configure Database Options
- Delete Database
- Manage Templates
- Manage Pluggable Databases**

Select an operation that you want to perform in container database:

- Create a Pluggable Database**
- Unplug a Pluggable Database
- Delete a Pluggable Database

2

Select the database in which Pluggable database needs to be created.

Select	Database
<input type="radio"/>	cdb1
<input type="radio"/>	cdb2
<input type="radio"/>	orcl
<input type="radio"/>	orcl3
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	cdb3

3

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Create Pluggable Database 4

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Select the operation that you want to perform:

- Create a new Pluggable Database
- Create Pluggable Database From PDB Archive
- Create Pluggable Database using PDB File Set**

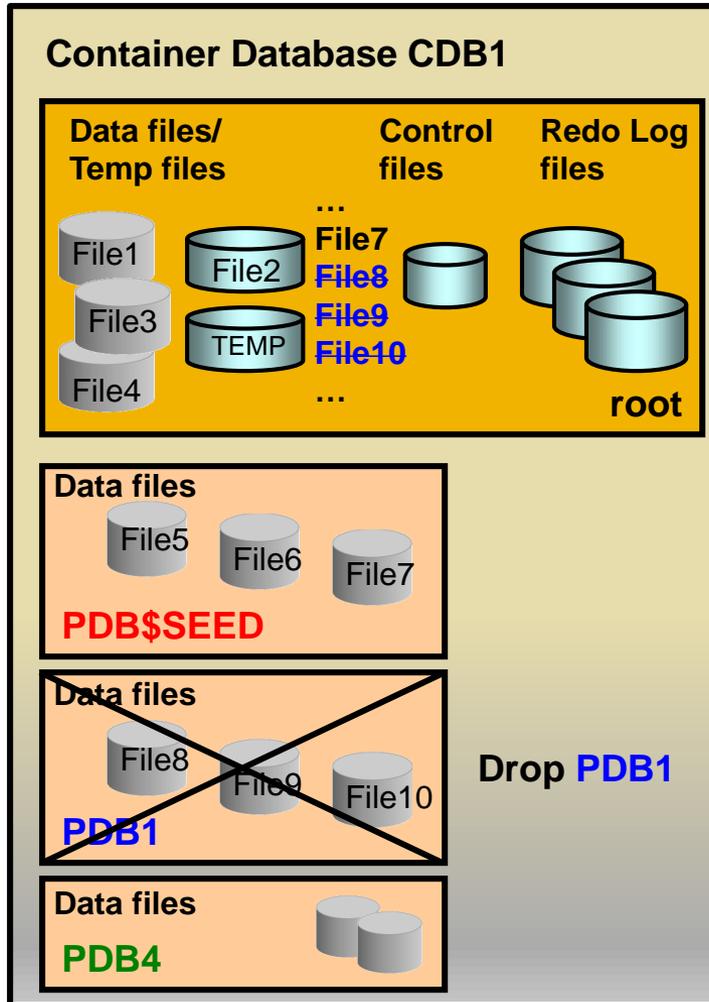
Pluggable Database Archive:

Pluggable Database Metadata File:

Pluggable Database Datafile Backup:

Plug a new PDB with Sample Schemas using a PDB File Set

Dropping a PDB



```
SQL> ALTER PLUGGABLE DATABASE
      pdb1 CLOSE ;
SQL> DROP PLUGGABLE DATABASE
      pdb1 [INCLUDING DATAFILES] ;
```

- Updates control files
- If INCLUDING DATAFILES :
 - Removes PDB1 datafiles
- If KEEP DATAFILES (default):
 - Retain data files
 - Can be plugged in another or the same CDB
- Requires SYSDBA privilege
- Cannot drop seed PDB

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