

# ORACLE **AUTONOMOUS DATABASE** **LEARNING LOUNGE**

**Autonomous Database: SQL Firewall,  
because hackers deserve 404s**

Autonomous Database Learning Lounge

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**Hosted by Marcos Arancibia**

Autonomous Database Product Management



# Agenda



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## Topics

- Autonomous Database provides a **high level of security** for **data** including **encryption**, **access control**, **auditing** and **compliance**.
- Security patches are **automatically applied** reducing the risk of **vulnerabilities**.
- We will talk about this **security framework** in Autonomous Database and the new features that come with **Oracle Database 23ai** for **privileges** and **in-database SQL Firewall**.

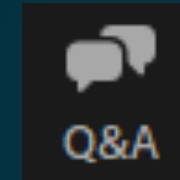
## Q&A

- **Product Managers** will answer any questions

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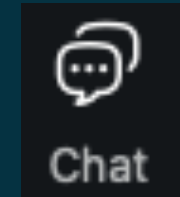
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Ask your questions using **Q&A**



Product Managers are monitoring your questions

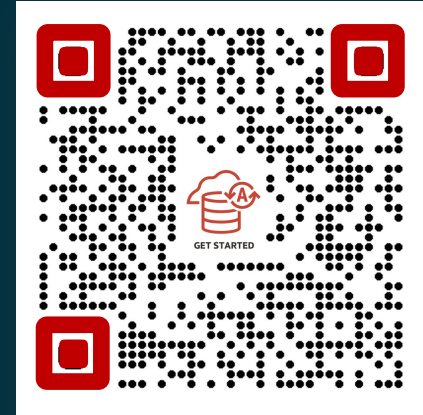
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[oracle.com/goto/adb-learning-lounge](https://oracle.com/goto/adb-learning-lounge)

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Links to get you started and to keep up to date with Autonomous Database



1 New Get Started page:  
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2 Join us: **LinkedIn**  
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**Bluesky**  
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3 Got a question?  
We are on stackoverflow  
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Join us on Developers Slack  
(search #oracle-autonomous-database)  
(odevrel\_slack)

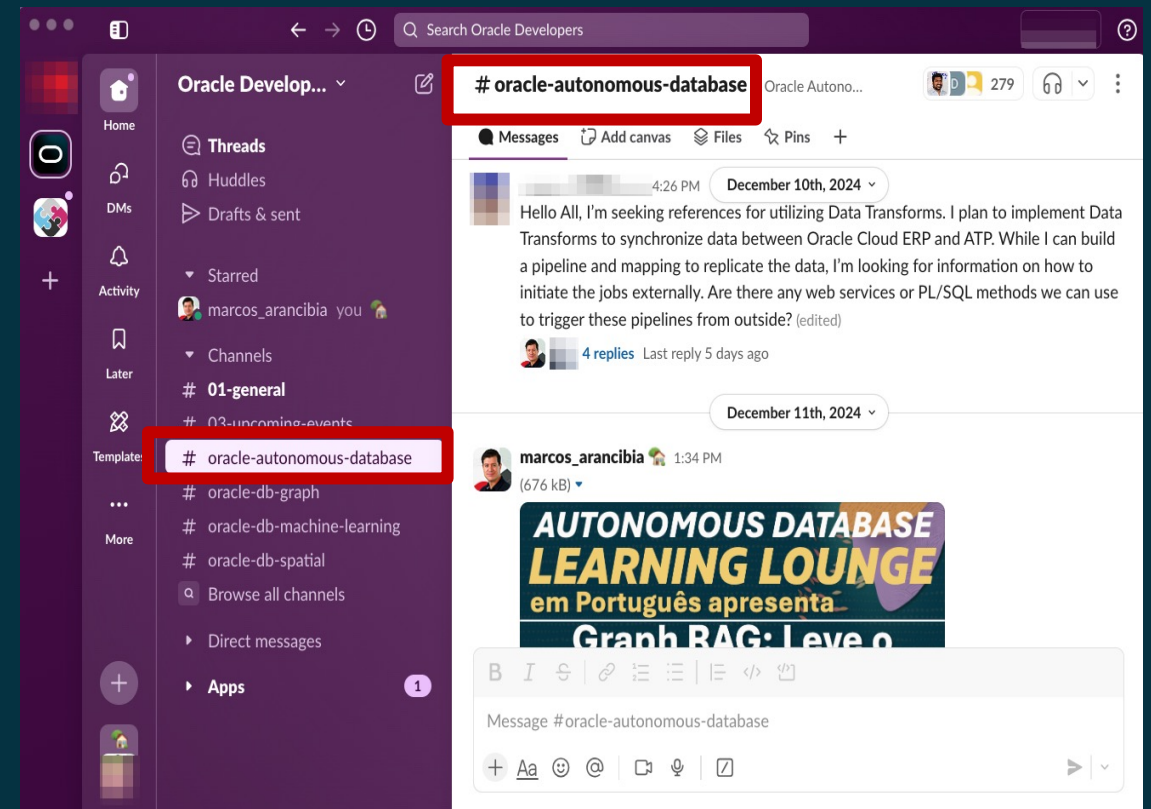


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# Speaker



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# Autonomous Database SQL Firewall, because hackers deserve 404s

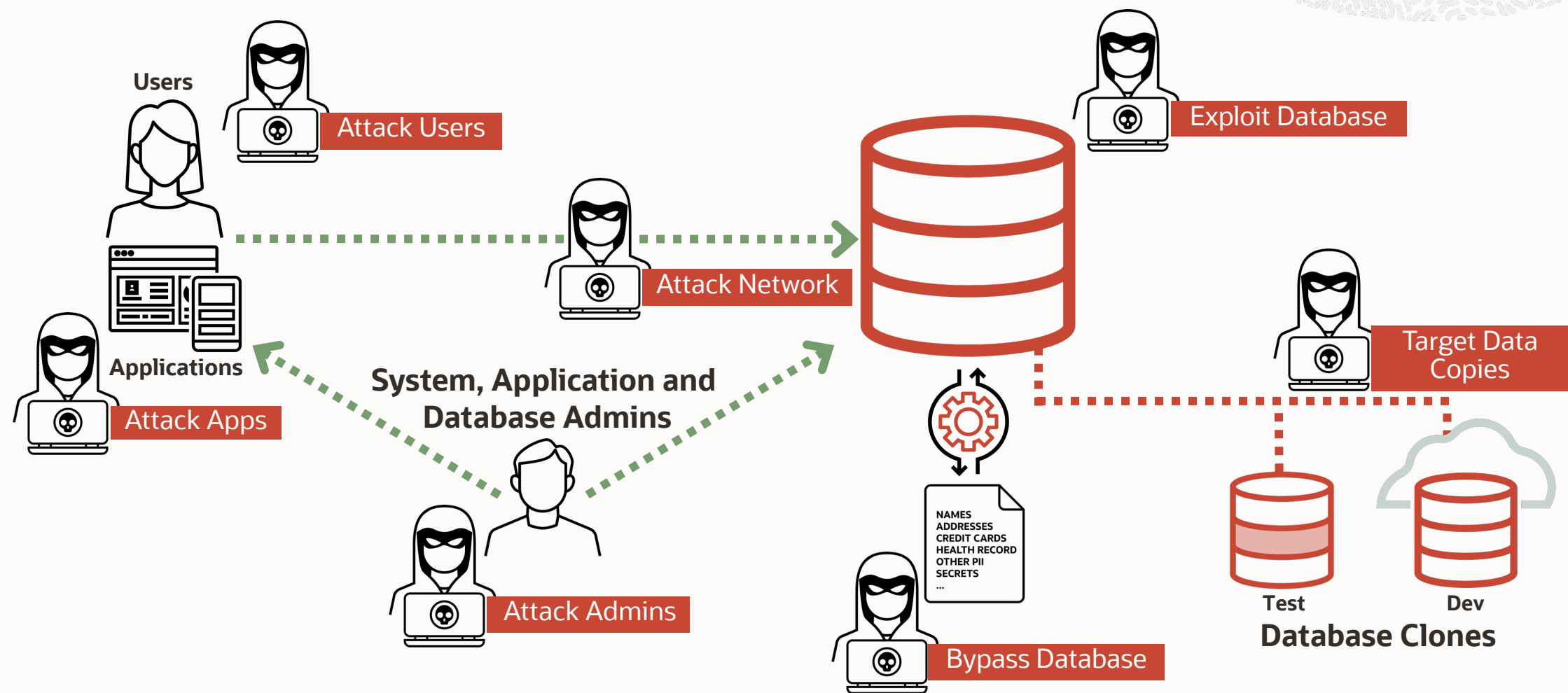
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# How Do Hackers Attack the Database?



# Common Reasons for Database Breaches

- Unencrypted data
- Security patches not applied
- Administrator Snooping
- Malware / Viruses
- Poor Network Isolation



Addressed by  
Autonomous Database

- Security configuration drift
- Unmanaged privileged users
- Unaudited users
- Untracked sensitive data
- Exposed sensitive data



Customer Responsibility

Autonomous Database  
Built-in Security and Tools

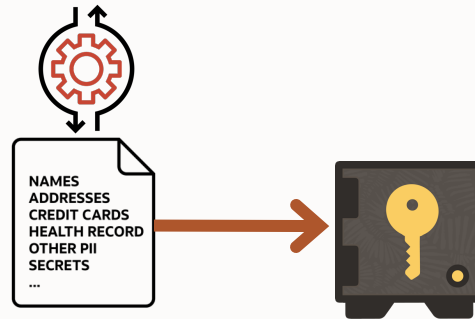
# How do you protect the database?

Implement a secure configuration and monitor for configuration drift



- Check configuration against standards/best practices
- Verify that authentication is as strong as practical
- Review user privileges

Encrypt the data and protect the encryption keys



- Encrypt data in motion and at rest
- DO NOT rely on storage level encryption
- Securely manage encryption keys

Control access to the data



- Use database roles and privilege grants
- Control privileged user access
- Enforce separation of duties
- Establish and enforce a trusted path to data

Monitor access to the data



- Use native auditing capabilities to capture high-value activity
- Use network-based monitoring to examine ALL activity



# Reduce risks with **always-on security**

Start with strong perimeter controls

## Secure by default

- Customers are unable to disable security configurations
- No access to O/S, only access to database

## Always up-to-date security patches

- Eliminates the largest security risk in current customer-managed systems

## End-to-end encryption

- Full encryption for entire database, backups and all network connections

## Infrastructure-level network isolation

- Customer Controlled CIDR
- Private or Public Subnet
- Security Lists and Gateways
- Network Security Groups, fully-managed firewalls

## Cloud compartment/IAM controls

- LOB separation of duties
- Granular access controls to all ADB resource types

## Customer configurable Access Control Lists

- ADB level isolation
- custom IP Address lists
- CIDR ranges

## Database auditing always on

- Login failures and modifications to user accounts or database structures recorded
- No highly privileged access (system/sysdba/sysoper)



# Reduce risk with clear separation of duties



## Security managed by Oracle

- Network security and monitoring
- OS and platform security
- Database patches and upgrades
- Administrative separation of duties
- Data encryption by default



## Security managed by customer

- Ongoing security assessments
- User roles & privileges
- Sensitive data discovery
- Data protection
- Activity auditing



*The company's security is tighter than ever with OCI networking security, including **OCI Logging**, **Virtual Private Vault**, **Oracle Data Safe**, and Autonomous Data Warehouse security.*

*Cognizant has control over the **encryption keys** for data in the Autonomous Data Warehouse, while the IT team has ready access to **database audit data** and **centralized event logging** with OCI.*

*The IT team also uses OCI Identity and Access Management to govern access management and update permissions in line with the hundreds of role changes that happen across Cognizant each week.*

*This gives the company tight control over **who has access to sensitive financial data, down to the row level**.*

# Security Zones of Control

## Assess

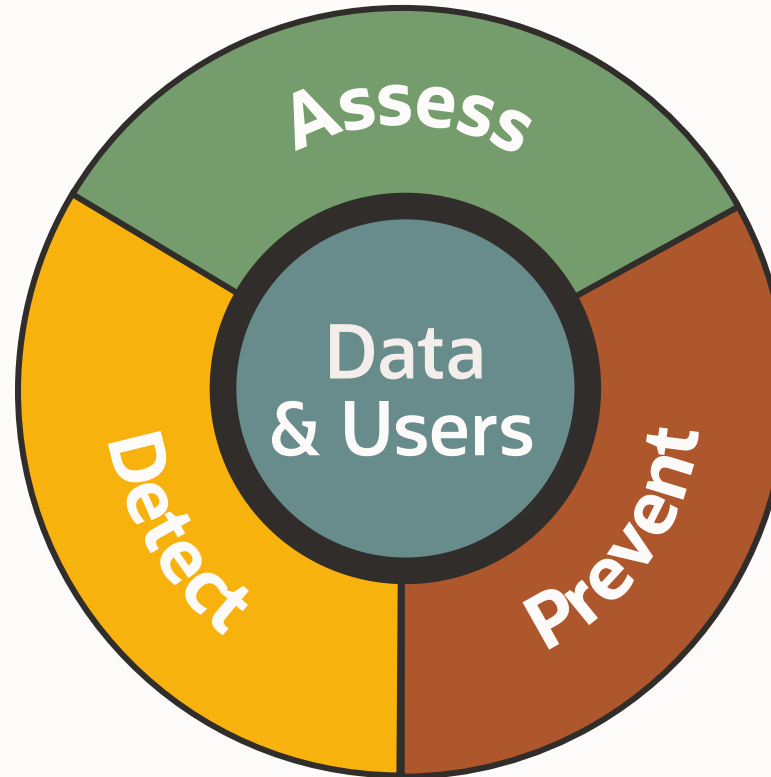
Assess the current state of the database

## Detect

Detect attempts to access data, especially attempts that violate policy

## Prevent

Prevent inappropriate or out of policy access to data



## Data

In this case, data is stored in a database. Your organizations most valuable asset, but also a source of significant risk.

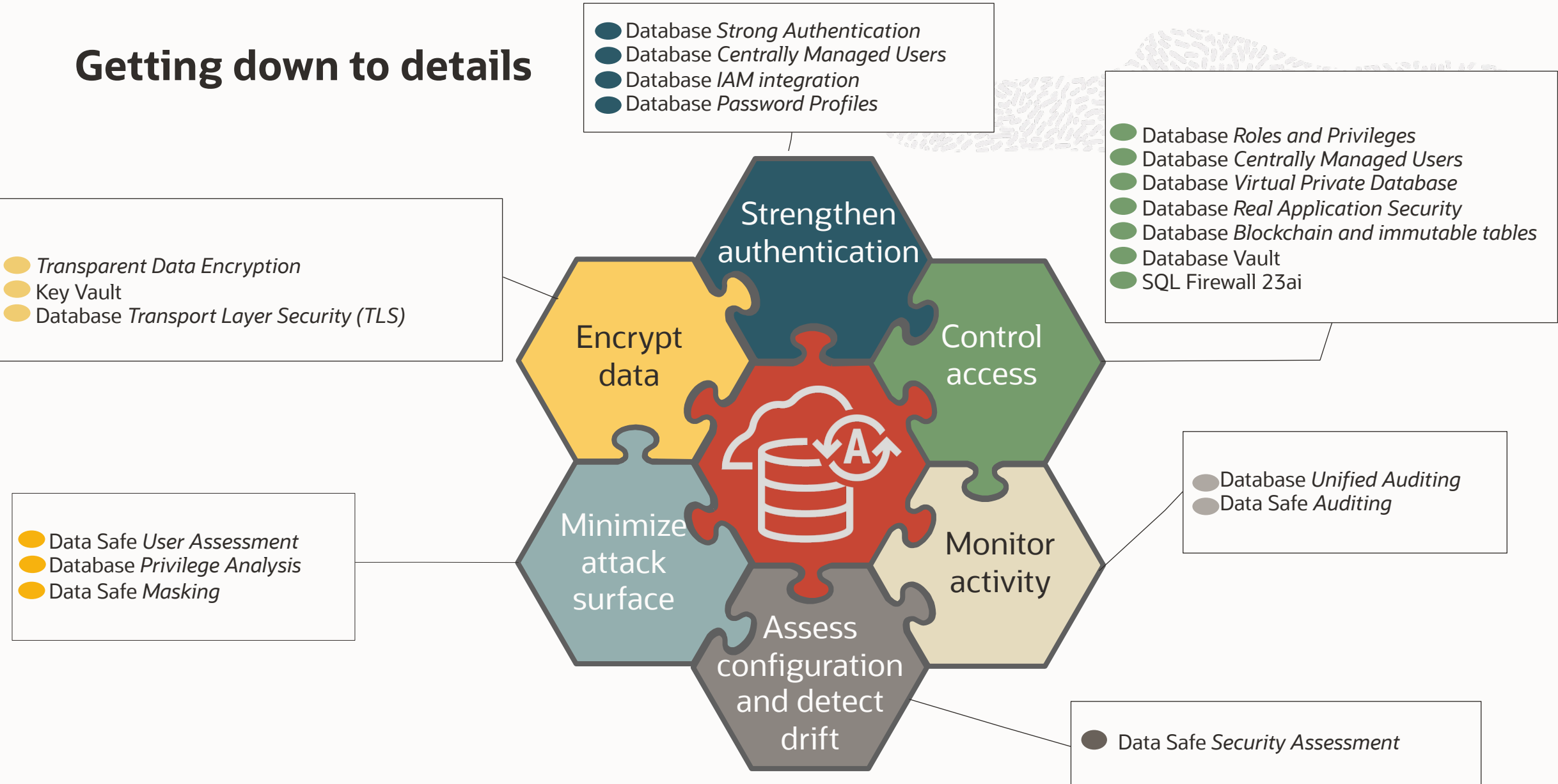
## Users

Users and applications connect to your database to perform authorized business functions

# Securing the Oracle Database



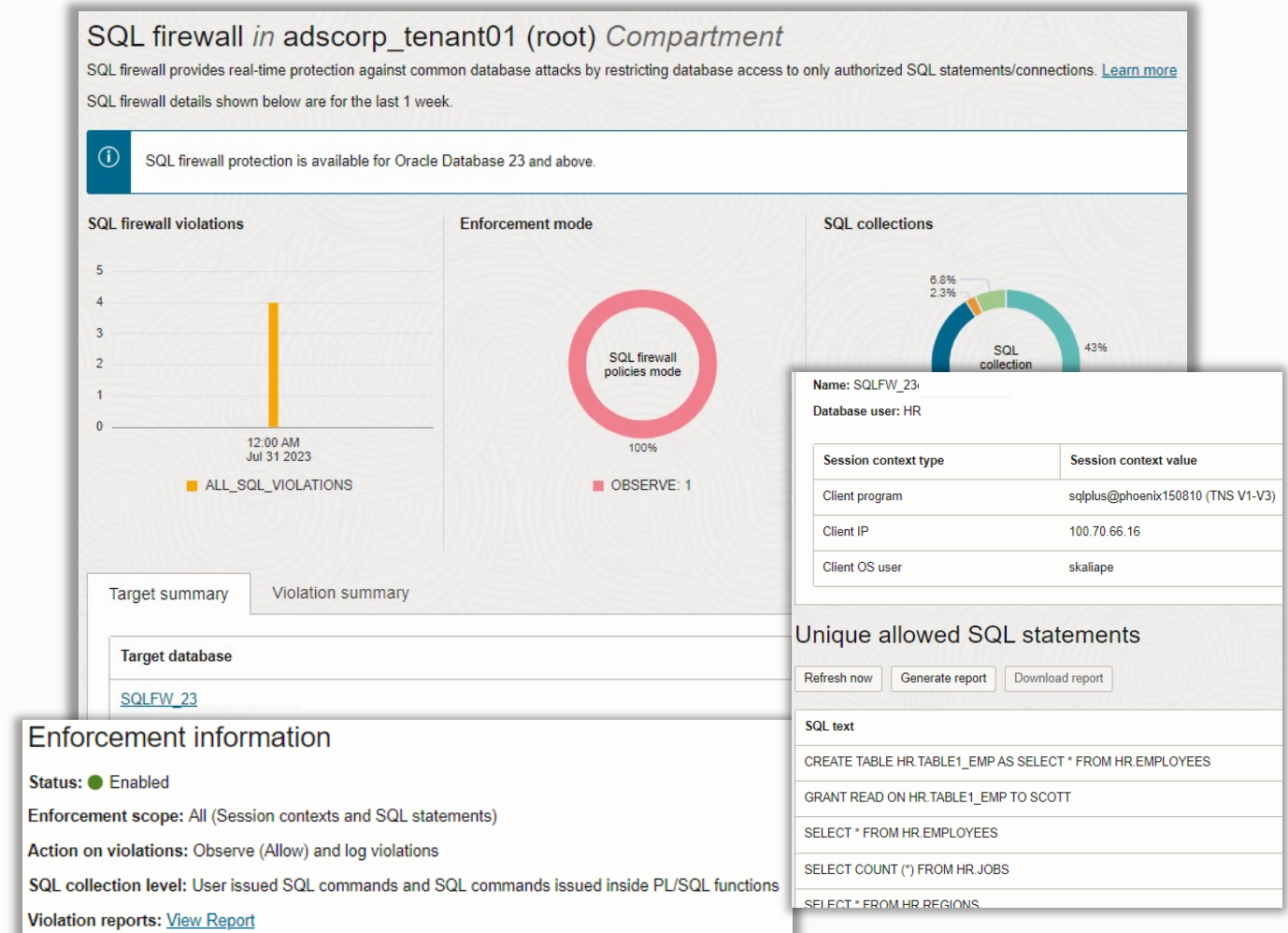
# Getting down to details



# SQL Firewall management in Oracle Data Safe

Prevent SQL injection and access from unauthorized access points

- Provides real-time protection against common database attacks by restricting database access to
  - authorized connections
  - authorized SQL statements
- Block or monitor any violations
- Mitigates risks from SQL injection attacks, anomalous access, and credential theft/abuse





# Use Case – Allow approved SQL statements only

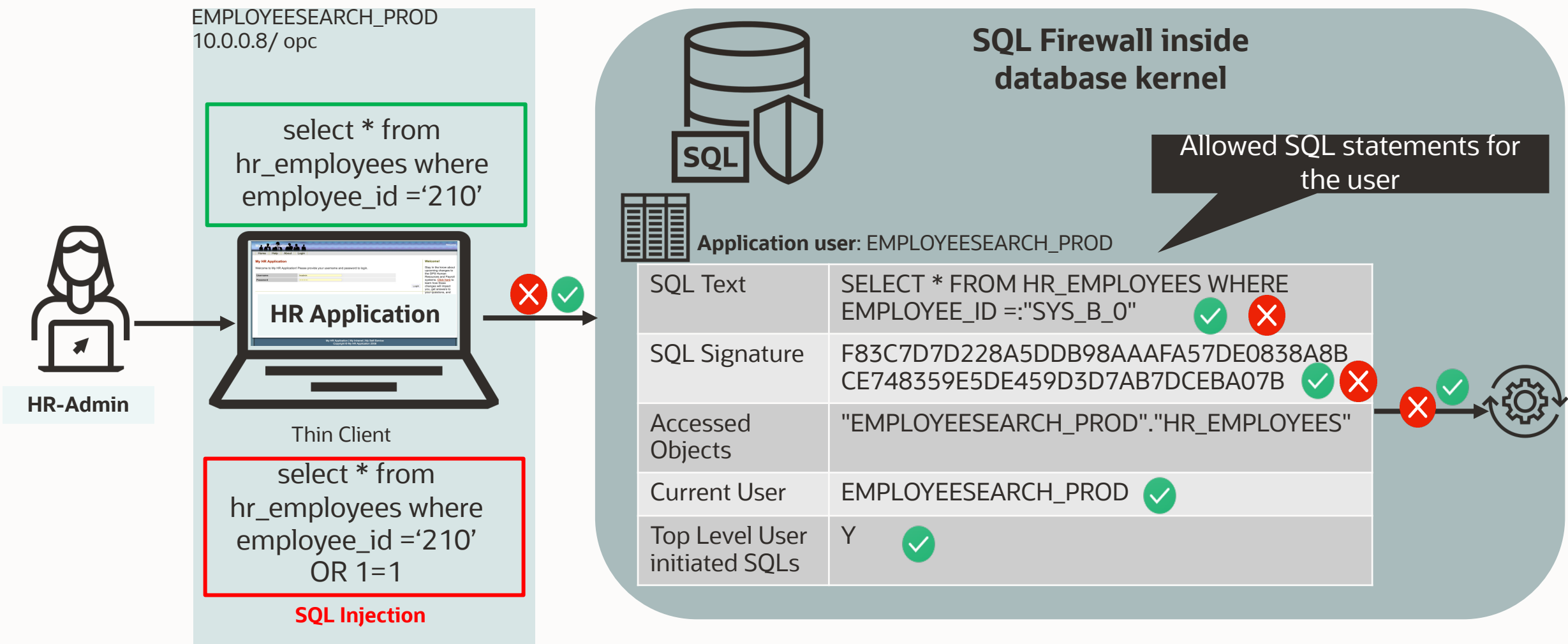
*Restrict database access to only authorized SQL statements*

**Benefit:**  
*Mitigate risks of SQL Injection attacks*

Unique allowed SQL statements	
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SQL text	
SELECT A.USERID,A.FIRSTNAME,A.LASTNAME,A.EMAIL,A.PHONEMOBILE,A.PHONEFIX,A.PHONEFAX,A.EMPTYTYPE,A.POSITION,A.ISMANAGER,A.MANAGERID,A.DEPARTMENT,A.CITY,A.STARTDATE,A.ENDDATE,A.ACTIVE,A.COSTCENTER,B.FIRSTNAME AS MGR_FIRSTNAME,B.LASTNAME AS MGR_LASTNAME,B.USERID AS MGR_USERID FROM DEMO_HR_EMPLOYEES A LEFT OUTER JOIN DEMO_HR_EMPLOYEES B ON A.MANAGERID=B.USERID WHERE :SYS_B_0=:SYS_B_1" AND A.USERID=:SYS_B_2" AND UPPER (A.FIRSTNAME) LIKE :SYS_B_3" ORDER BY A.LASTNAME,A.FIRSTNAME	✓
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SELECT A.USERID,A.FIRSTNAME,A.LASTNAME,A.EMAIL,A.PHONEMOBILE,A.PHONEFIX,A.PHONEFAX,A.EMPTYTYPE,A.POSITION,A.ISMANAGER,A.MANAGERID,A.DEPARTMENT,A.CITY,A.STARTDATE,A.ENDDATE,A.ACTIVE,A.COSTCENTER,B.FIRSTNAME AS MGR_FIRSTNAME,B.LASTNAME AS MGR_LASTNAME,B.USERID AS MGR_USERID FROM DEMO_HR_EMPLOYEES A LEFT OUTER JOIN DEMO_HR_EMPLOYEES B ON A.MANAGERID=B.USERID WHERE :SYS_B_0=:SYS_B_1" AND UPPER (A.DEPARTMENT) LIKE :SYS_B_2" ORDER BY A.LASTNAME,A.FIRSTNAME	✓
UPDATE DEMO_HR_EMPLOYEES SET FIRSTNAME=:SYS_B_0",LASTNAME=:SYS_B_01",PHONEMOBILE=:SYS_B_02",PHONEFIX=:SYS_B_03",PHONEFAX=:SYS_B_04",EMPTYTYPE=:SYS_B_05",POSITION=:SYS_B_06",STARTDATE=:TO_DATE (:SYS_B_07",:SYS_B_08"),ENDDATE=:TO_DATE (:SYS_B_09",:SYS_B_10"),CITY=:SYS_B_11",ISMANAGER=:SYS_B_12",ISHEADOFDEPARTMENT=:SYS_B_13",MANAGERID=:SYS_B_14",COSTCENTER=:SYS_B_15",DEPARTMENT=:SYS_B_16",ORGANIZATION=:SYS_B_17",ACTIVE=:SYS_B_18" WHERE USERID=:SYS_B_19"	✓
SELECT A.USERID,A.FIRSTNAME,A.LASTNAME,A.EMAIL,A.PHONEMOBILE,A.PHONEFIX,A.PHONEFAX,A.EMPTYTYPE,A.POSITION,A.ISMANAGER,A.MANAGERID,A.DEPARTMENT,A.CITY,A.STARTDATE,A.ENDDATE,A.ACTIVE,A.COSTCENTER,B.FIRSTNAME AS MGR_FIRSTNAME,B.LASTNAME AS MGR_LASTNAME,B.USERID AS MGR_USERID FROM DEMO_HR_EMPLOYEES A LEFT OUTER JOIN DEMO_HR_EMPLOYEES B ON A.MANAGERID=B.USERID WHERE :SYS_B_0=:SYS_B_1" AND UPPER (A.FIRSTNAME) LIKE :SYS_B_2" AND A.ACTIVE=:SYS_B_3" ORDER BY A.LASTNAME,A.FIRSTNAME	✓
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SELECT ROLEID FROM DEMO_HR_ROLES WHERE UPPER (USERID)=:SYS_B_0"	✓
SELECT USERID,FIRSTNAME,LASTNAME FROM DEMO_HR_USERS WHERE (USERSTATUS IS NULL OR UPPER (USERSTATUS)=:SYS_B_0") AND UPPER (USERID)=:SYS_B_1" AND PASSWORD=:SYS_B_2"	✓
SELECT A.USERID,A.FIRSTNAME,A.LASTNAME FROM DEMO_HR_EMPLOYEES A WHERE A.ISMANAGER=:SYS_B_0" AND A.ACTIVE=:SYS_B_1" ORDER BY A.LASTNAME,A.FIRSTNAME	✓
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# Allow approved SQLs only



# Use Case – Allow only authorized database connections

*Enforce trusted database connection paths*

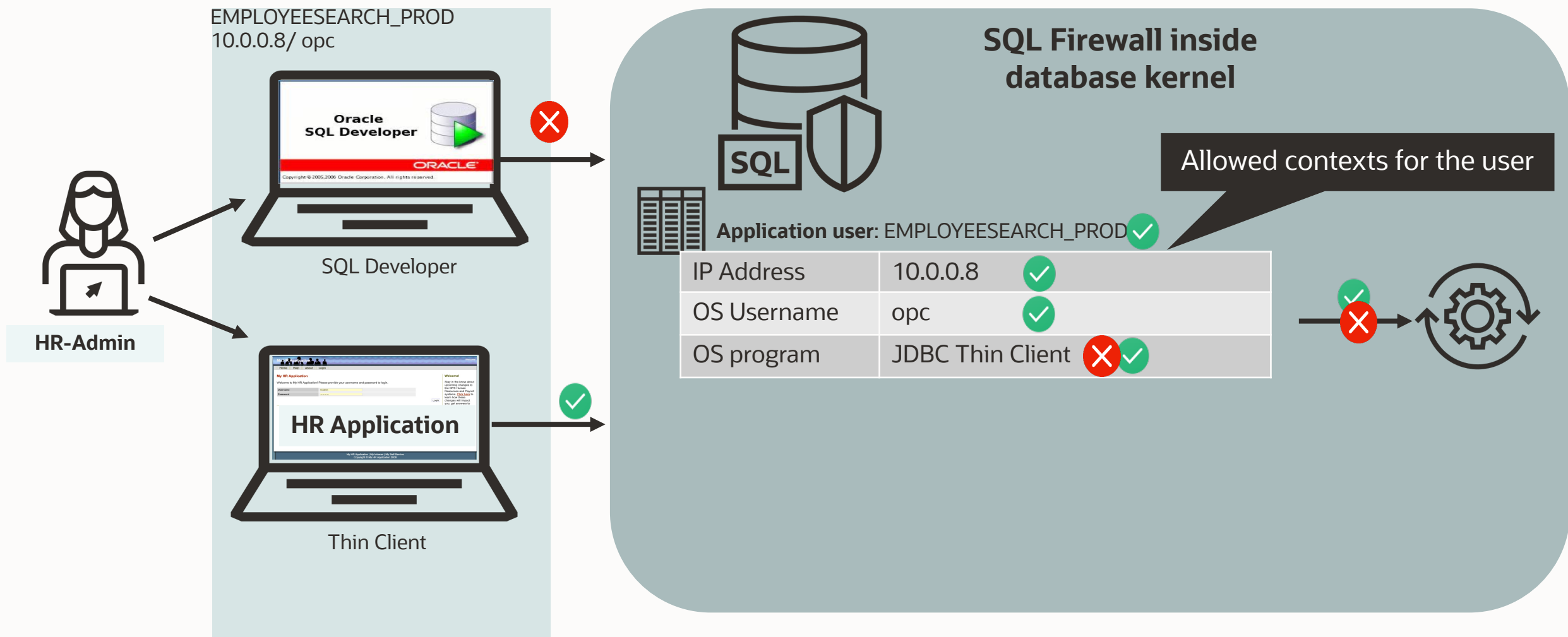
***Benefit:***

*Mitigate risks from anomalous access, and credential theft/abuse*

Database user: EMPLOYEESEARCH\_PROD

Session context type	Session context value	
Client IP	10.0.0.150	<a href="#">Update</a>
Client OS user	oracle	<a href="#">Update</a>
Client program	JDBC Thin Client	<a href="#">Update</a>

# Enforces trusted database connection paths





# SQL Firewall

Easy configuration, management, and monitoring



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# 1

## **Collect**

Turn on the SQL statement and user connection collection

# 2

## **Review & Modify**

Review the SQL collection  
Review and modify the allowed user connections (as required)

# 3

## **Enforce**

Block or monitor any unauthorized SQL and/or user connections

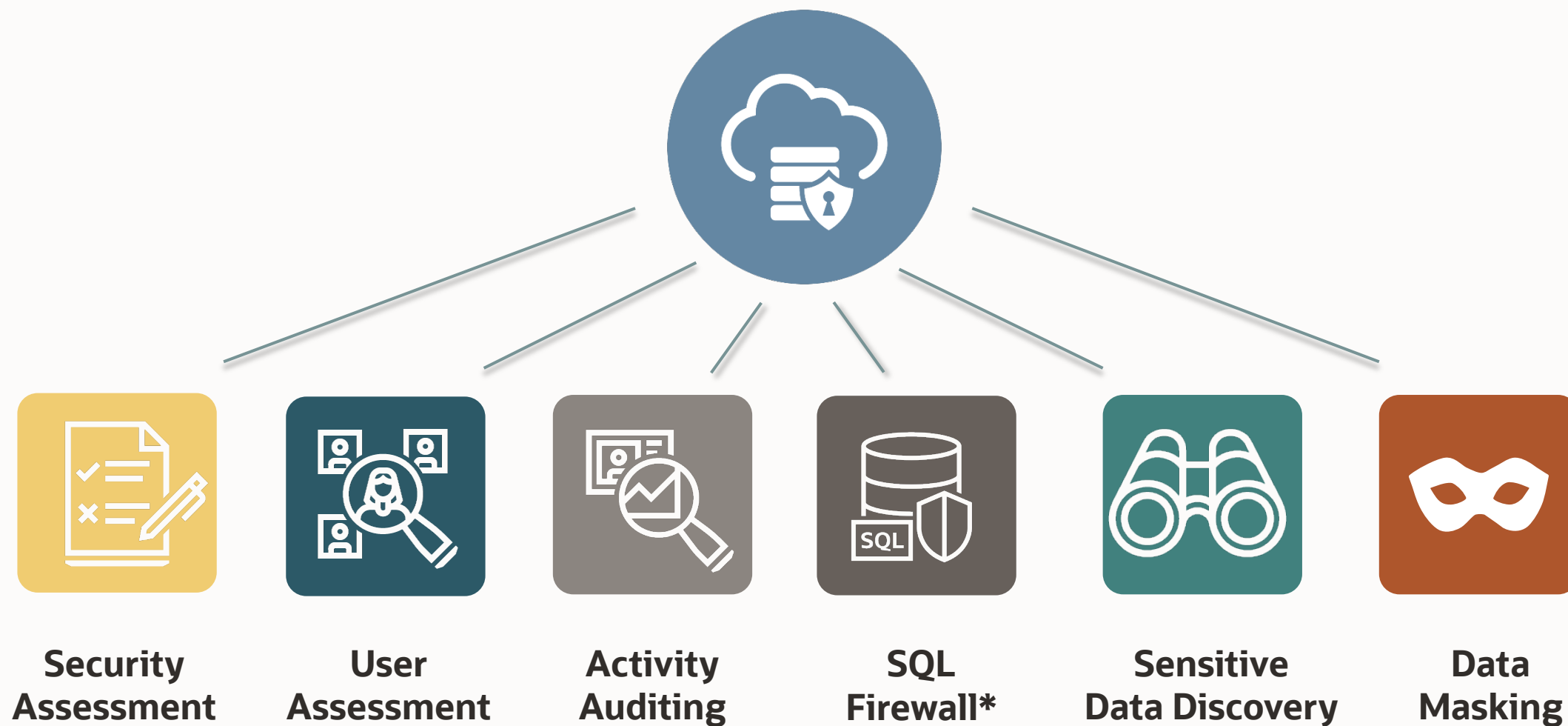
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## **Monitor**

Monitor any violations

# Oracle Data Safe

Secure your Oracle Databases





# Oracle Database 23ai Security Enhancements



## In-Database Firewall

An easy-to-use firewall solution, with minimal perf and operational overhead

Built-in to ensure it cannot be bypassed

Protection against attacks by monitoring and blocking “unauthorized SQL” and SQL injection attacks



## Read-Only Users

Users may be created as, or altered to, READ ONLY status (default READ WRITE)

```
ALTER USER joe  
READ ONLY;
```

Read-only users can not insert or update data, nor can they create database objects



## Developer Role

It’s complex to grant all the privileges developers need to create, debug, etc.

Now it’s simple using the new DB\_DEVELOPER\_ROLE :

```
GRANT DB_DEVELOPER_ROLE  
TO scott;
```



## Schema Privileges

Managing the privileges on all the tables, views, and procedures used by an app can be tricky

Now this is simple using GRANT on a schema

```
GRANT SELECT ANY TABLE  
ON SCHEMA sales  
TO mary;
```

# Reduce risk with regulatory compliance

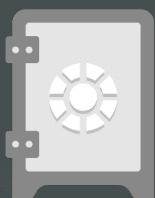
Supports a comprehensive set of international and industry-specific compliance standards

<b>HIPA</b> Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act	<b>ISO/IEC 27017:2015</b> Code of Practice for Information Security Controls Based on ISO/IEC 27002 for Cloud Services
<b>PCI DSS</b> Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard is a set of requirements intended to ensure that all companies that process, store, or transmit credit card information maintain a secure environment	<b>ISO/IEC 27018:2014</b> Code of Practice for Protection of Personally Identifiable Information (PII) In Public Clouds Acting as PII Processors
<b>SOC 1</b> System and Organization Controls 1	<b>ISO 9001</b> Intended “to help organizations demonstrate its ability to consistently provide customers good quality products and services.”
<b>SOC 2</b> System and Organization Controls 2	<b>GDPR</b> Applies to all entities processing data about EU residents, regardless of company location and /or locale of data storage.
<b>SOC 3</b> System and Organization Controls 2	<b>CSA STAR</b> The Cloud Security Alliance (CSA) is an organization that promotes best practices for providing security assurance in cloud computing
<b>ISO/IEC 27001:2013</b> International Organization for Standardization 27001	<b>MeitY IT Security Guidelines</b> Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) Information Technology (IT) Security Guidelines
<b>European Union Digital Operational Resilience Act (DORA)</b> It addresses gaps, overlaps, and inconsistencies in existing regulations related to information and communication technology (ICT).	



# Key Areas Of European Union Digital Operational Resilience Act (DORA)

Autonomous Database supports key requirements out-of-the-box - nothing else to buy



## Risk Management Framework

Comprehensive, documented risk management framework to quickly and efficiently address risk.



- ✓ Oracle Data Safe
- ✓ Database Vault



## Highly Available Architecture

ICT systems, protocols and tools that are reliable, equipped with sufficient capacity, and resilient.



- ✓ **99.95%** Availability
- ✓ Oracle **Real Application Clusters**
- ✓ Triple mirrored discs
- ✓ **Auto-scaling**
- ✓ Failover with **zero data loss**
- ✓ Automated issue detection
- ✓ Continuous monitoring

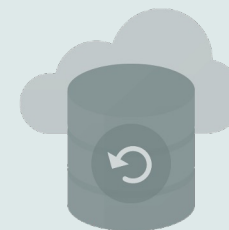


## Prevention and Protection

Maintain high standards of availability, authenticity, integrity and confidentiality to protect data at rest, in use, and in transit.



- ✓ Encrypted, **immutable** backups
- ✓ **Database Vault**
- ✓ Automated discovery of sensitive data (*during data loading*)
- ✓ **Early patching** option
- ✓ **Real Application Testing**
- ✓ Zero-regression **SLO**
- ✓ **SQL Firewall**



## Backup/Restore procedures

Restoration of systems and data with minimum downtime, limited disruption and loss.



- ✓ **Automated** daily backups
- ✓ **60-day** rolling backup retention
- ✓ Long-term backups (up to **10yrs**)
- ✓ Point-in-time recovery



## Response and Recovery

Implement business continuity policy to protect critical or important functions



- ✓ **Autonomous Data Guard**
- ✓ **99.996%** availability
- ✓ **In-region** standby with automatic failover
- ✓ **Cross-region** standby
- ✓ **Transparent Application Continuity**
- ✓ Full-stack disaster recovery

More information on how ADB supports DORA is here: <https://blogs.oracle.com/datawarehousing/post/oracle-autonomous-database-and-dora>

# Industry-Leading Data Security

End-to-end data security; always enabled; no extra costs

HIPAA, PCI, FedRAMP, and country specific compliance

## ZERO-TRUST ENTERPRISE SECURITY

Assumes no one and no device or application is universally trusted, whether inside or outside the network. **Continuous verification is required.**

Access is granted based on the context of the request, the level of trust, and the sensitivity of the asset.

## BUILT-IN DATA RISK MANAGEMENT

**Understand** data **sensitivity**, evaluate data **risks**, mask sensitive data, implement and monitor security controls, assess user security, **monitor** user **activity**, scan all SQL traffic irrespective of where it comes from, without exceptions

## MULTICLOUD-NATIVE SECURITY



Deploy within private networking infrastructure for added protection and use preferred cloud vendor’s key management service

Security Patches Applied Automatically – Always Up-To-Date



# Learn more

- Try Autonomous Database for free
- Watch demos
- Learn with self-service workshops
- Keep up with the latest news



<https://www.oracle.com/autonomous-database/get-started/>

The screenshot shows the Oracle Autonomous Database 'Get started' page. The top navigation bar includes the Oracle logo and links for Products, Industries, Resources, Customers, Partners, Developers, and Company. There are also links for 'View Accounts' and 'Contact Sales'. Below the navigation bar, the page title is 'Database &gt; Autonomous Database &gt;'. There are two buttons: 'Try Autonomous Database for free' and 'Download Autonomous Database for free'. The main heading is 'Get started with Autonomous Database'. Below this is a paragraph: 'Discover these essential resources that will help you deliver successful projects using Oracle Autonomous Database. Whether you're building reporting solutions for your organization, needing to gain insights using sophisticated analytics, developing next generation applications - or all of these - Autonomous Database helps get you there. Get started today.' There are three columns of content. The first column is titled 'Query your data using natural language' and includes a paragraph about using natural language to query data. The second column is titled 'Improve collaboration and decision-making across teams through data sharing' and includes a paragraph about sharing data securely. The third column is titled 'Reduce compute costs by consolidating workloads on Autonomous Database' and includes a paragraph about achieving up to 87% compute cost savings. Each column has a 'Watch the webcast' or 'Read the blog' button. At the bottom, there is a section titled 'Stay informed about the latest updates' with a 'Subscribe to the Oracle Database Insider blog' button. Below this is a section titled 'Autonomous Database Resources' with three columns: 'Demonstrations', 'LiveLabs', and 'Insider Blog', each with a brief description and a link.



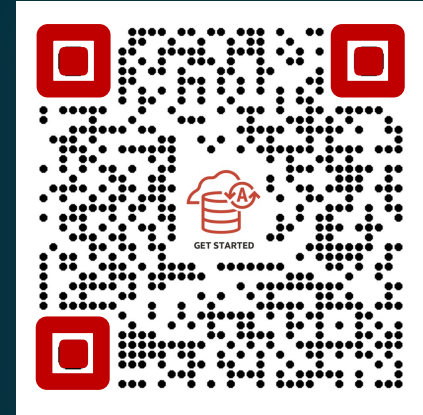
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3 Got a question?  
We are on stackoverflow  
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**Build AI-powered apps: A Step-by-Step Guide to Autonomous Database and GenAI**

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**Developer's nirvana with Autonomous Database: JSON-Relational Duality in Oracle Database 23ai**

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**Autonomous Database: SQL Firewall, because hackers deserve 404s**

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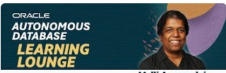
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**Migration to ADB Part III: OCI Database Management, the Swiss Army knife for databases**

Derik Harlow, German Viscuso

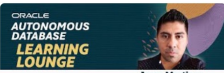
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**Graph RAG: Bring the Power of Graphs to Generative AI**

Meli Annamalai


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**Migration to ADB Part II: Easily migrate from previous database releases with DMS**

Jorge Martinez

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**Migration to ADB Part I: Visualize and Evaluate your entire database estate with Oracle Estate Explorer**

Simon Griffiths, Paul Brankin

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