

Autonomous Database on Dedicated Exadata Infrastructure X11M

Oracle Autonomous Database uniquely combines automation, machine learning, and cloud agility to deliver the world's first autonomous database management system.

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Service overview

Oracle Autonomous Database

The Oracle Autonomous Database is a Cloud Database Management System for organizations that require enterprise-grade Oracle Database support and desire a fully-managed offering with the administrative simplicity and automation of cloud services.

Autonomous Database uses machine learning and automation to eliminate human labor, human error, and manual tuning, thereby reducing cost and complexity while ensuring higher reliability, security, and operational efficiency. Built on Oracle's Exadata Database Machine, Autonomous Database delivers the highest performance and cost-effective operation customers require for their most demanding and mission-critical applications.

The underlying converged database capabilities of the Oracle Database enable the Autonomous Database to support a broad spectrum of modern workloads with a common operational model. Modern application architectures using combinations of relational data modeling for transaction processing and data warehousing, plus JSON document, graph, key-value, and blockchain data models are greatly simplified by common maintenance, high availability, and security processes.

Autonomous Transaction Processing (ATP) is tailored to online transaction processing, JSON document management, batch, reporting, IoT, machine learning, and mixed workload applications. Autonomous Data Warehouse (ADW) is tailored to data warehousing, data marts, data lakes, and machine learning workloads. Autonomous Database when used for JSON document, graph, key-value and blockchain storage comes with developer-oriented APIs and works seamlessly with the latest SQL standards.

Dedicated Exadata Infrastructure

Autonomous Database supports two Exadata deployment choices, serverless and dedicated. In a serverless environment, multiple customers may share the resources of a single Exadata infrastructure; the focus is on simplicity and elasticity with a standardized configuration and lifecycle. In a dedicated environment, the Exadata infrastructure is wholly dedicated to the subscribing customer, isolated from other cloud tenants, with no shared processor, storage, and memory resource.

Autonomous Database on Dedicated Exadata Infrastructure has all the simplicity of autonomous operation while adding governance and isolation controls for overall performance, health, availability, and security best practices. Customers can customize operational policies to meet their corporate governance requirements and use a clean separation of roles between fleet administrators who setup operating environments and database consumers (developers and application DBAs) who self-service Autonomous Database in their assigned environments. Autonomous Database on Dedicated Exadata Infrastructure provides customers with a

Autonomous Key Benefits

- Most powerful Oracle Database
- All Exadata capabilities, ensuring extremely high levels of performance, availability, and security
- Easy and rapid Infrastructure and database provisioning in a few clicks or an API call
- Lower total cost of ownership from pay-per-use, elimination of manual labor
- Lower risk thru automated updates, built in security features and no human error
- Increased pace of innovation thru skilled DBAs focusing on business change instead of administration
- Win-win for IT and Development. IT governance and best practices with self-service agility for developers

Autonomous Key Features

- Self-service database cloud running on dedicated Exadata infrastructure
- Available in the Oracle Public Cloud and in the customer's data centers via Oracle Cloud@Customer
- Dynamic online auto-scaling of CPU triggered by real-time workload
- Online scaling of storage
- Customizable operational policies supporting mission-critical requirements
- Multi-level workload isolation
- Managed backup and recovery
- Autonomous configuration management
- Autonomous performance management with real-time stats capture and auto-indexing
- Secure, external encryption key management

simple, complete, and private Database as a Service to enable developers of new database applications.

Autonomous Database on Dedicated Exadata Infrastructure is available in the Oracle Public Cloud and in the customer's data centers via Oracle Cloud@Customer*.

Subscription overview

Autonomous Database on Dedicated Exadata Infrastructure is available through two flexible subscription offerings:

- License Included
- Bring Your Own License (BYOL)

License included

This subscription model includes all the features of Oracle Database Enterprise Edition, plus all the Oracle Database Enterprise Manager Packs and all Oracle Database Enterprise Edition Options. These industry-leading capabilities include Database In-Memory, Real Application Clusters (Oracle RAC), Automatic Storage Management (ASM), Active Data Guard, Partitioning, Advanced Compression, Advanced Security, Label Security, Database Vault, Real Application Testing, OLAP, Advanced Analytics, and Spatial and Graph. Also included in an Autonomous Database Dedicated PaaS subscription is Oracle Multitenant, enabling high consolidation density, rapid provisioning, and cloning. This subscription model is ideal for customers without existing Oracle database licenses, customers seeking to use Oracle database features beyond those currently licensed, and customers with variable workloads who can reduce their costs by paying for only what they use.

Bring your own license (BYOL)

Autonomous Database on Dedicated Exadata Infrastructure Bring Your Own License (BYOL) is designed to minimize costs when migrating to the cloud. In a BYOL model, customers can deploy their existing Oracle Database and Database Option licenses. When a customer brings an Oracle Database license entitlement, they are additionally granted the rights to use Oracle Transparent Data Encryption (TDE), Diagnostics Pack, Tuning Pack, Data Masking and Subsetting Pack, and Real Application Testing without bringing license entitlements for those Database Options and Management Packs. The Exadata System software is also included in a BYOL subscription, so BYOL customers do not have to bring a license entitlement for the Exadata System Software. Users of BYOL are required to have Oracle Database Enterprise Edition licenses and the Real Application Cluster (RAC) Option for databases with more than 16 OCPUs; they must also have Oracle Active Data Guard if Autonomous Data Guard will be used.

Oracle Cloud controls and customization

Oracle Cloud Control Plane

Customers perform life cycle operations for Autonomous Databases running on Exadata Infrastructure using an Oracle Cloud Control Plane, a sophisticated software suite that runs in the Oracle Public Cloud on Oracle Cloud Infrastructure (OCI). Customers can connect to the Cloud Control Plane through a secure link using a web browser, command line interface (CLI), REST APIs, or language-specific SDKs. Autonomous Database life cycle operations such as create, delete, clone, backup, restore, audit, and scaling are examples of operations customers can perform using the Cloud Control Plane. Another key function of the Control Plane is to track a customer's usage and bill only for what they use.

The Cloud Control Plane includes a sophisticated Identity Access Management (IAM) system, which allows multiple departments or groups to share an Oracle Cloud Infrastructure (OCI) tenancy. IAM compartments are used as a logical resource grouping construct within OCI that enables access control across resources and provides an effective mechanism to organize and control access to resources within a single tenancy. Policies can be used to grant fine-grain permissions on resources within a compartment for separation of duty and privileged access to specific resources. For example, users can be isolated to only specific databases, and within a given database, one user could be responsible for create/scale and another for restore/audit.

Oracle Cloud Operations

Oracle Cloud Operations monitors and maintains the Database, Virtualization Stack, and infrastructure components of the Autonomous Database on Dedicated Exadata Infrastructure service. Key components and activities include:

- Components managed include:
 - Exadata storage servers and physical database servers
 - Power distribution units (PDUs)
 - RoCE network and switches
 - Management switch
 - Control plane servers
 - Oracle KVM (hypervisor)
 - Exadata system software and all firmware
 - VM Clusters
 - Database Homes
 - Grid Infrastructure
 - Operating System
- Monitoring activities include:
 - Autonomous infrastructure layer incident monitoring, management, and root cause analysis
 - Threshold performance analysis
- Maintenance activities include:
 - Bug and security fixes inside hypervisor
 - Exadata System Software updates and upgrades
 - Firmware updates and upgrades to any of the hardware components including networking components and RoCE switches
 - Proactive infrastructure upgrades to update software and firmware as required
 - Grid Infrastructure and Database updates
 - Operating System updates

Customizable operational policies

Autonomous Database on Dedicated Exadata Infrastructure provides the customer customizations over operational policies, including software and hardware isolation for the highest levels of performance and security governance; it is well suited for customers wanting to deploy Oracle Database in cloud with common enterprise lifecycle controls. Users can configure one or more virtual machines and container databases on their dedicated infrastructure, each of which can have one or more autonomous databases (a mixture of ADW and ATP) within it. Customers can customize the policies used to control the provisioning of new databases, the timing of updates, the availability configuration, the backup retention period, and the density of databases that can run on the infrastructure. Having control over database versions and the timing of updates is essential for critical applications that require a version validation check against pre-production environments before a new software version is applied to production deployments. Although customers can customize these operational policies, all operations are still fully automated by Oracle autonomous software.

Administrative role separation

Autonomous Database on Dedicated Exadata Infrastructure allows a clean separation of roles between IT and database consumers. An IT group of Fleet Administrators would oversee capacity of Exadata Infrastructure, governance policies, and resource quotas. Database consumers, project team developers and application DBAs consume Autonomous Database without visibility into the underlying infrastructure. This separation of fleet versus database consumer allows simple budgeting controls and resource isolation without getting in the way of the line of business execution. A dedicated database deployment will support the entire spectrum of needs, from

simple apps to those that require the highest governance, consistent performance, and operational controls.

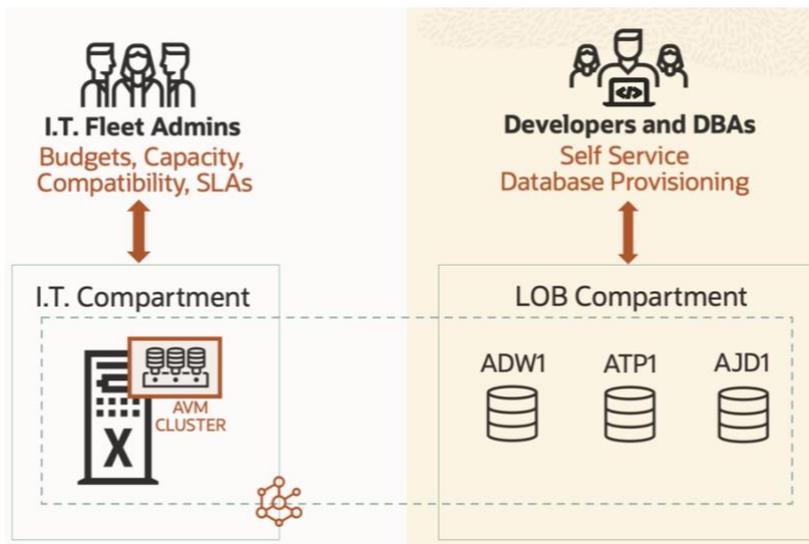


Figure 1. Dedicated fleet and database consumer roles

Enterprise class security with the simplicity of cloud

Autonomous Database on Dedicated Exadata Infrastructure benefits from scrutiny by Oracle Security experts and by hundreds of industry experts around the world. Autonomous Database delivers Exadata as an Oracle Cloud Service based on comprehensive security measures deployed in the hardware infrastructure, network, Exadata platform, and Oracle database. The security features of Autonomous Database segregate customer data access and Oracle Cloud Operations and secure data that enters, leaves, and resides on the system, authenticate access to the system, and validate Oracle provided software that runs on the system. Oracle Cloud automation further enhances security by enforcing strong passwords and data encryption on all databases and making it fast and easy to keep databases updated with the latest security updates from Oracle.

Autonomous Database subscriptions includes all Oracle Advanced Security features, such as Transparent Data Encryption (TDE), Database Vault, Label Security, Redaction, Subsetting, and Masking. BYOL customers are also entitled to use Transparent Data Encryption (TDE) and the Data Masking and Subsetting pack on any Oracle Database license they move to Autonomous Database.

The list of important Autonomous Database deployment security features include:

- Customer controlled encryption key management
- Bring Your Own Certificates for SSL encryption of both TCP (TLS/mTLS) and REST API access
- Kerberos with Centrally Managed Users (CMU) control for password less authentication
- Customizable listener ports for both non-TLS and TLS based connections
- Operator Access Control extended to include the Autonomous VM Cluster resource
- Active Directory integrated user management and OCI Identity and Access Management (IAM) controlled database users
- Digitally Signed Binaries integrated with change management workflow: hashed, encrypted and cryptographically signed to ensure deployment is tamper-proof
- Data Safe ready, for centralized user auditing, and automated configuration management, compliance scans, data masking of sensitive data
- Database level access control lists, to ensure only traffic from specific hosts can reach Autonomous Database

Exadata Infrastructure security protects the physical servers and components that are the building blocks of the system. Infrastructure security features include:

- Vendor signed firmware on hardware components to ensure hardware components will only run valid code from the vendor that supplied that component
- Hardware acceleration that delivers near-native encryption and decryption speed so that encryption can always be used for all Oracle database data
- Infrastructure optimizations that uniquely move decryption processing to Exadata Storage Server infrastructure
- Virtual machines that provide secure isolation between the customers different workloads
- Database Vault Operations Control, isolating Cloud Operations from customer data in Autonomous Databases. Customer data cannot be accessed by Oracle Cloud operators.

Autonomous Database customers can also use Oracle Database Vault to isolate their own ADMIN database users, further ensuring data in the Oracle database can only be accessed by customer users with explicit rights to access that data.

Exadata network security is implemented with isolated networks, and each network is equipped with additional security measures to secure critical data processing tasks. Network security features include:

- Internal RoCE network: RoCE Secure Fabric isolates and protects storage and Oracle RAC interconnect traffic
- Customer client network: Application traffic is SSL encrypted using TLS/mTLS with customer-controlled certificates or applications can use native Oracle Net Encryption
- Customer backup network: Oracle Net Encryption secures traffic for high-bandwidth backup activities
- Customer controlled VLANs mapped directly to the database VMs

Exadata platform security leverages virtual machine isolation. The operating system deployment for the Exadata platform includes:

- A minimal Linux distro so just the packages needed to run Oracle Database are installed and enabled
- Minimal open ports and running services that minimize attack surfaces
- Comprehensive logging and auditing that tracks access and modification

Oracle Operator Access Control

Oracle Operator Access Control (OpCtl) is an Oracle Cloud Infrastructure access management service for Autonomous Database on Dedicated Exadata Infrastructure. OpCtl provides the customer interfaces to:

- Control access to Exadata infrastructure and Autonomous VM Clusters by Oracle staff, limiting when they have access, components they can access, and commands they can execute
- Observe and record Oracle operator commands and keystrokes Oracle staff execute
- Terminate Oracle operator connections at the customer's discretion

OpCtl is ideal for regulated industries such as banking and financial services, energy utilities, and defense, and any industry where risk management is a key pillar of application success. These controls are a standard part of Autonomous Dedicated on Exadata Infrastructure and are available at no extra cost to Oracle customers.

Backup and recovery

Autonomous Database on Dedicated Exadata Infrastructure provides automatic built-in database backup facilities, with weekly full backups and daily incremental backups that are available for a selectable timeframe up to 95 days or from 90 days to 10 years for long-term backups. Manual backups can be taken at any time and recovery can be done from a backup or any point in time in the backup retention window. Additionally, you can create new Autonomous Database instances from backups.

What's new in Exadata X11M

Exadata Cloud Infrastructure X11M is built on Exadata X11M hardware, offering more and faster CPU cores, faster DDR5 memory, faster PCIe NVMe flash, new Exadata Remote Direct Memory Access (RDMA) Memory (XRMEM), and higher storage capacity compared to the previous generation offered in

Elastic Compute

- 5th Generation AMD EPYC™ Processors
- Up to 6,080 Usable Database Server Cores Available to VMs

the public cloud, X9M. The XRMEM Data Accelerator with Remote Direct Memory Access (RDMA) accessible memory boosts overall system performance, reducing storage latency to as low as 14µs.

Exadata Hardware

Exadata Cloud Infrastructure is built with powerful database servers, scale-out intelligent storage servers, XRMEM, PCIe NVMe flash, and high-capacity disk drives. Internal connectivity between database and storage servers is enabled by a low-latency RoCE fabric. External connectivity to the Exadata Cloud Infrastructure system is provided using standard 50 Gigabit Ethernet.

The database-optimized data tiering between XRMEM, PCIe NVMe flash, and disk implemented in Exadata storage provides lower latency, higher capacity, and faster performance than other flash-based solutions. All-flash storage arrays cannot match the throughput of Exadata's integrated and optimized architecture with full RoCE-based scale-out, XRMEM, PCIe NVMe flash, offload of data intensive operations to storage, and algorithms optimized for databases.

Exadata Cloud Infrastructure offers elastic infrastructure shapes to support workloads of different sizes. Customers can deploy flexible shapes that range from 2 database and 3 storage servers, up to 32 database and 64 storage servers to meet a variety of CPU processing and storage requirements. It also supports a Base System that provides a cost-effective Exadata entry point with a fixed, non-elastic shape that is hardware generation agnostic.

Exadata Software

The technology that enables Exadata's unparalleled performance without any of the bottlenecks of traditional storage arrays is the Exadata Storage Server Software. This software powers the storage servers, providing an extremely efficient and database-optimized storage infrastructure. All Exadata Storage Server Software features are included in Exadata Cloud Infrastructure.

One of the many unique features of Exadata Storage Server Software is Smart Scan technology, which offloads data intensive SQL operations from the database servers directly into the storage servers. By pushing SQL to the storage servers, data filtering and processing for databases of any size occurs immediately and in parallel across all storage servers, as data is read from XRMEM, flash, and disk. Only the rows and columns that are directly relevant to a query are sent to the database servers. This greatly accelerates analytic queries, eliminates bottlenecks, and significantly reduces the processor usage of the database servers.

AI Smart Scan, another Exadata unique feature, greatly accelerates AI Vector Search with optimizations that deliver extremely low-latency, high-throughput, and parallelized scans across massive volumes of vector data. AI vector data is processed at memory speed, leveraging XRMEM and flash in the storage servers, avoiding unnecessary network data transfer and database server processing.

In addition to Smart Scan, Exadata includes a vast array of software capabilities that enable its unparalleled scalability, performance and availability. Some of these Exadata software features are:

- Up to 44 TB of DDR5 DRAM

Scalable Storage

- Up to 4.0 PB Database Size (High Redundancy, Without Compression)
- Up to 1.7 PB NVMe Flash
- Up to 80 TB Exadata RDMA Memory (XRMEM)
- 5th Generation AMD EPYC™ Processors
- Up to 4,096 Storage Server Cores

Fastest Networking

- 100 Gbps RoCE Internal Fabric
- 50 Gbps Ethernet shared for client and backup connections

Exadata Software

- Smart Scan
- AI Smart Scan
- JSON/XML Smart Scan
- Exadata RDMA Memory Data Accelerator
- Storage Indexes
- Data Mining Offload
- Hybrid Columnar Compression
- Smart Flash Cache
- Smart Flash Logging
- In-Memory Fault Tolerance
- I/O Resource Management
- Network Resource Management
- Instant Failure Detection
- Sub-second I/O Latency Capping
- Columnar Flash Cache
- Direct-to-Wire OLTP protocol
- Test/Dev Thin Clones
- Fastest Oracle RAC Node Failure Recovery
- Fastest Data Guard Redo Apply

Related Products

- Oracle Database 23ai
- Autonomous Database
- Autonomous Recovery Service
- Real Application Clusters
- Active Data Guard

- Exadata RDMA Memory Data Accelerator uses RDMA to read data from XRMEM in the storage servers with unprecedented low latency
- Smart Flash Log Write-Back eliminates storage disks as a potential log write throughput bottleneck and provides consistent log write latency
- Storage Indexes avoid unnecessary I/O operations by replacing them with a few in-memory lookups
- Exafusion Direct-to-Wire Protocol allows database processes to read and send Oracle RAC messages directly over the RoCE network, which considerably improves OLTP response time and scalability in Exadata
- Hybrid Columnar Compression utilizes a combination of row and columnar methods to greatly compress data, enabling tremendous cost-savings and performance improvements due to reduced storage capacity and reduced I/O, especially for analytic workloads
- In-Memory columnar formats in Flash Cache extend the Exadata Columnar Flash Cache by automatically transforming data into In-Memory columnar formats as it's loaded into Flash Cache. Smart Scans then leverage ultra-fast Single Instruction Multiple Data (SIMD) Vector instructions, thus processing multiple column values with a single instruction
- Multitenant
- Database In-Memory
- Partitioning
- Advanced Compression
- Advanced Security
- Real Application Testing
- Advanced Analytics
- Enterprise Manager
- Database Management Service

Exadata Cloud Infrastructure systems can be used to deploy a large number of databases, enabling high database consolidation. To ensure consistent performance in a highly consolidated environment, Exadata provides unique end-to-end prioritization and resource management capabilities spanning database servers, network and storage.

Maximum Availability Architecture (MAA)

Exadata is engineered to provide the highest levels of availability with completely redundant hardware components. It has also been designed with Oracle Maximum Availability Architecture (MAA) in mind, a set of tiered best practices and blueprints for the use of Oracle's High Availability (HA) and Disaster Recovery (DR) technologies. These technologies include Real Application Clusters (Oracle RAC), ASM, RMAN, Flashback, Active Data Guard, and Application Continuity and optimize availability to meet the business continuity requirements of critical applications. Further, Exadata-specific HA capabilities such as Instant Detection of Database and Storage Server Failures and Exadata I/O Latency Capping, significantly enhance the availability of Exadata. Exadata Database Service is deployed with MAA best practices enabling customers to take immediate advantage of key HA and DR features including Oracle RAC and Autonomous Data Guard.

Multiple Virtual Machine Clusters

Database services run securely in Virtual Machine (VM) Clusters running on Exadata Cloud Infrastructure. Each Exadata Cloud Infrastructure system can run multiple VM Clusters to increase value through greater consolidation. They provide isolated operating environments for different database workloads through separate access rules and network configurations as well as customizable compute, memory, and storage resources. Each VM Cluster can run Autonomous Database or Exadata Database Service, which allows Autonomous Database to be deployed alongside Exadata Database Service on the same infrastructure, eliminating the need to deploy separate systems for these services. VM Clusters can span a subset of database servers in the infrastructure with a two database server minimum to better align resources to workload requirements. VM Clusters are easily provisioned through the Cloud Control Plane.

In Oracle public cloud or your data centers

Many companies cannot simply move to the public cloud due to challenges involving the regulatory nature of their data, data residency laws requiring data to stay in the country of origin, and the complexities of systems entanglement present in enterprise architectures. Systems entanglement happens because individual applications are coupled to others in such a way that changes to one impact the others, thereby complicating a move to the public cloud. To mitigate these challenges while providing customers the benefits of cloud self-

service and a pay-per-use financial model, Oracle introduced its Cloud@Customer offerings bringing the cloud to customers who cannot simply transform to public cloud.

Oracle Dedicated Region Cloud@Customer delivers an entire stack of Oracle Cloud Infrastructure (OCI) and its portfolio of Platform as a Service offerings to the customer data center, including Autonomous Database on Dedicated Exadata Infrastructure.

Oracle Exadata Cloud@Customer is a slice of Oracle Cloud delivered to the customer data center that is specific to Exadata based database Platform as a Service offerings and includes Autonomous Database. Autonomous Database on Exadata Cloud@Customer is a low-cost entry point for on-premises users providing all the feature functionality found in Autonomous Database on public cloud, but users also have the option of backing up their Autonomous Database to a local Zero Data Loss Recovery Appliance or local network-attached storage. The minimum term for an Autonomous Cloud@Customer infrastructure subscription is four years, and the same BYOL or license included (billed per second) models exist.

The Cloud Control Plane used by Autonomous Database in the public cloud is also used by the Autonomous Database on Exadata Cloud@Customer. This allows customers to work with both Public Cloud and Cloud@Customer, using the exact same UX and REST APIs. Any investments in automated scripting developed for a Cloud@Customer environment will be preserved should a customer eventually choose to migrate to the Oracle Public Cloud.

Secure access to Exadata Cloud@Customer

Platform control plane commands are sent to the Exadata Cloud@Customer system through a dedicated WebSocket secure tunnel between the Cloud Control Plane and the Exadata Cloud@Customer platform. Oracle Cloud Operations staff use the same tunnel to monitor Autonomous Database on Exadata Cloud@Customer for maintenance and troubleshooting. Two remote Control Plane Servers installed in the Exadata Cloud@Customer rack host the secure tunnel endpoint and act as a gateway for access to the infrastructure. They also host components that orchestrate the cloud automation, aggregate and route telemetry messages from the Exadata Cloud@Customer platform to the Oracle Support Services infrastructure, and host images for service patching. The minimum network bandwidth from the Control Plane Server to the Cloud Control Plane is 50 Mbps.

The following diagram shows a typical access configuration of Autonomous Database on Exadata Cloud@Customer.

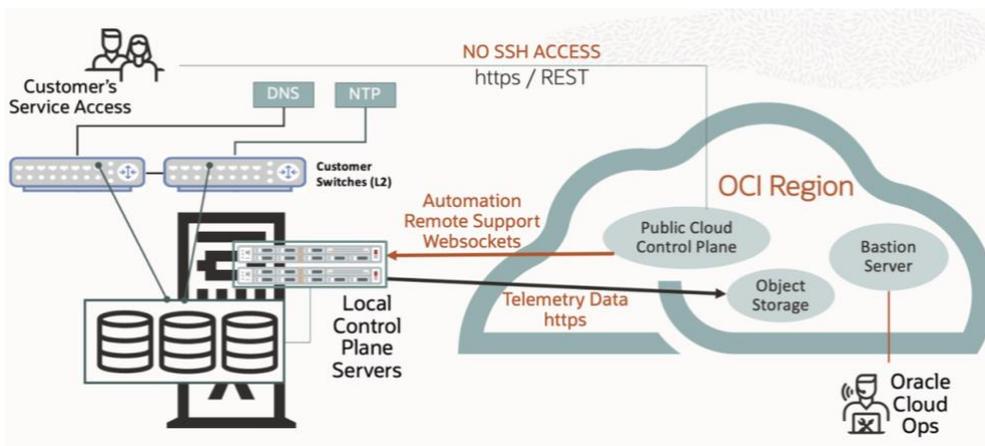


Figure 2. Access architecture for Exadata Cloud@Customer

Conclusion

Autonomous Database on Dedicated Exadata Infrastructure is an ideal solution for customers looking to leverage cloud-based database service to modernize the use of database for all database deployments, including for their most demanding and mission critical solutions. Autonomous Database will help to lower costs, reduce security risks, and enable customers to focus on adding business value instead of worrying about technology.

Table 1: EXADATA CLOUD INFRASTRUCTURE X11M: Technical Specifications

Typical Hardware Configuration Examples

Service item	Base System ¹	Elastic Config. Example 1 ²	Elastic Config. - Example 1 ²	Elastic Config. - Example 2 ²
Number of Database (DB) Servers per System	2	2	8	2
Number of Storage Servers per System	3	3	8	14
Total ECPUs in DB Servers per System	192	1,520	6,080	1,520
Min # of ECPUs per VM	20	20	20	20
Total Memory Available for VMs (GB)	720	2,780	11,120	2,780
Max # of VMs per DB Server ³	1	6	6	6
Max # of VM Clusters per System ³	1	6	6	6
Max Usable Local Storage Per DB Server ⁴ (GB)	900	2,243	2,243	2,243
Max Usable Local Storage Per VM ⁴ (GB)	900	900	900	900
VM Image Size Minimum and Default ⁴ (GB)	184	184	184	184
Total Cores in Storage Servers per System	144	192	512	896
Total XRMEM Capacity ⁵ (TB)	n/a	3.75	10	17.5
Total Flash Capacity (TB)	38.4	81.6	217.6	380.8
Total Usable Disk Capacity ⁶ (TB)	73	240	640	1,120
Max DB Size – No Local Backup ⁶ (TB)	58	192	512	896
Max DB Size – Local Backup ⁶ (TB)	29	96	256	448
Max SQL Flash Bandwidth ⁷ (GB/s)	25	300	800	1,400
Max SQL XRMEM Bandwidth ⁷ (GB/s)	n/a	1,500	4,000	7,000
Max SQL Read IOPS ^{5,8}	562,500	5,600,000	22,400,000	5,600,000
Max SQL Write IOPS ⁹	518,000	3,000,000	8,000,000	5,000,000
Max SQL Disk Bandwidth ⁷ (GB/s)	2.7	5.4	14.4	25.0
Max SQL Disk IOPS ⁸	3,900	7,800	20,800	36,000
Max Data Load Rate ¹⁰ (TB/hr)	3.8	7.5	20.0	7.5
Network Connectivity	10 GbE	50 GbE	50 GbE	50 GbE

Individual Server Specifications

Server Type	Total ECPUs	Total Memory Available for VMs (GB)		
X11M Database Server (32 Maximum)	760	1,390		

Server Type	Total Cores	XRMEM Capacity ⁵ (TB)	Total Flash Capacity (TB)	Total Usable Disk Capacity ⁶ (TB)
X11M Storage Server (64 Maximum)	64	1.25	27.2 TB	80 TB

Individual Server Performance Metrics

Server Type	Maximum SQL Flash Bandwidth ⁷ (GB/s)	Maximum SQL XRMEM Bandwidth ⁷ (GB/s)	Maximum SQL Read IOPS ^{5,8}	Maximum SQL Write IOPS ⁹
X11M Database Server	n/a	n/a	2,800,000	2,500,000
X11M Storage Server	100	500	2,800,000	1,000,000

Notes on Technical Specifications:

- ¹Base System is hardware generation agnostic and is not expandable. It only supports a single VM Cluster.
- ²Elastic infrastructure shapes range from 2 database and 3 storage servers, up to a total of 32 database and 64 storage servers to achieve the exact ratio of compute to storage required. Elastic configuration example 1 is the minimum size elastic configuration with 2 database and 3 storage servers. Elastic configuration example 2 with 8 database and 8 storage servers and elastic configuration example 3 with 2 database and 14 storage servers are examples elastic configurations that provide the highest SQL Read IOPS and Bandwidth in a theoretical single rack, respectively.
- ³The maximum number of VMs per database server is 6 and VM Cluster per system is 6 regardless of the number of database servers in the system.
- ⁴The maximum usable local storage per database server is 2,243 GB. Each VM requires an image of 184 GB.
- ⁵Exadata RDMA Memory (XRMEM) is included with Elastic configurations. Read I/Os use XRMEM.
- ⁶Usable capacity is measured using normal powers of 2 space terminology with 1 TB = 1024 * 1024 * 1024 * 1024 bytes. It is the actual space available to create a database after taking into account space needed for ASM high redundancy and recovering from a drive failure, but before database compression.
- ⁷Bandwidth is peak physical scan bandwidth achieved running SQL, assuming no database compression. Effective user data bandwidth is higher when database compression is used.

⁸ Based on 8K I/O requests running SQL.

⁹ Based on 8K I/O requests running SQL. Flash write I/Os measured at the storage servers after ASM mirroring, which issues multiple storage I/Os to maintain redundancy.

¹⁰ Load rates are typically limited by database server CPU, not I/O. Rates vary based on load method, indexes, data types, compression and partitioning.

Additional Notes on Technical Specifications:

1) Refer to the product documentation for the latest information on product features.

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