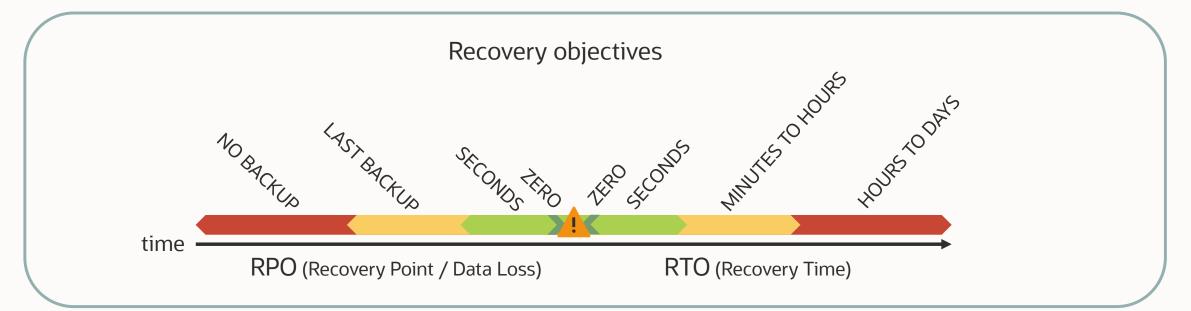


## Oracle Cloud Maximum Availability Architecture

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## Types of downtime and recovery objectives



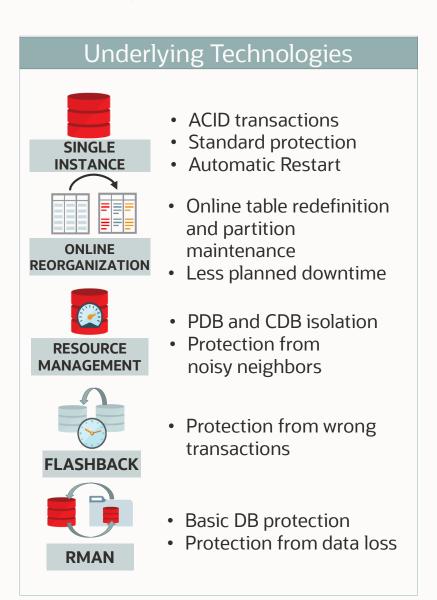


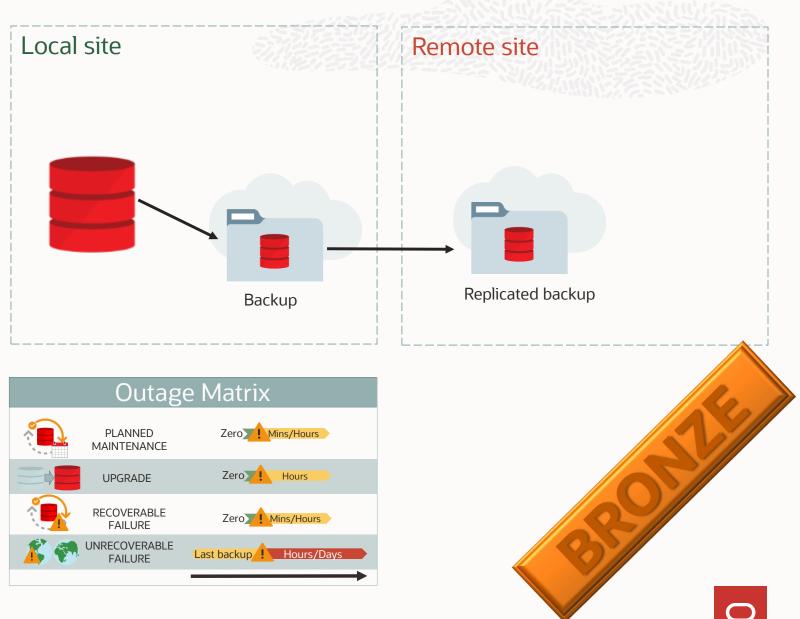
## From Single Instance to 99.999%

Maximum Availability Reference Architectures



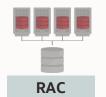
## **Single instance protection**





#### **Protection from recoverable failures**

#### Underlying Technologies



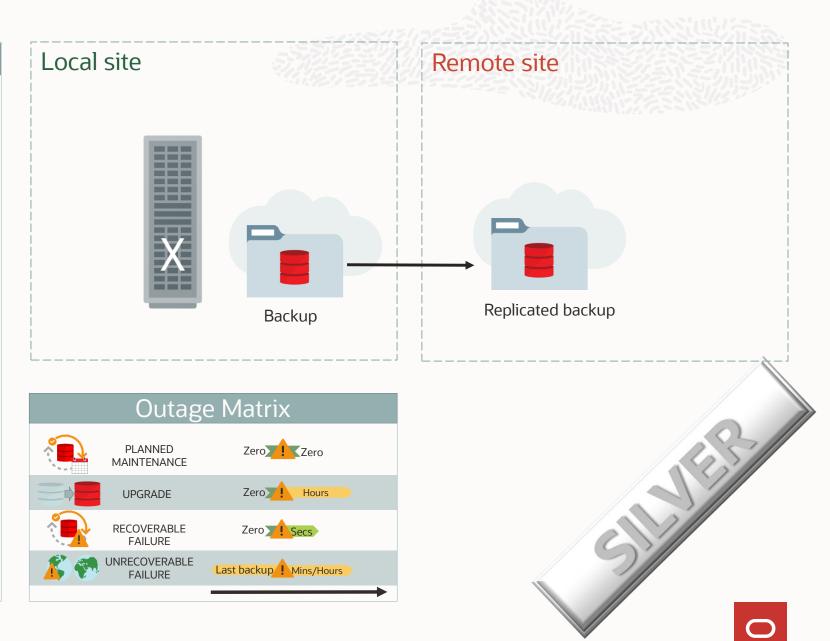
- Node failure protection
- Zero downtime maintenance
- Elastic changes (CPU, mem, storage) with no downtime



 (Almost) Transparent unplanned maintenance



- Exadata scalability, performance and availability
- Data protection and Exadata QoS for DB operations



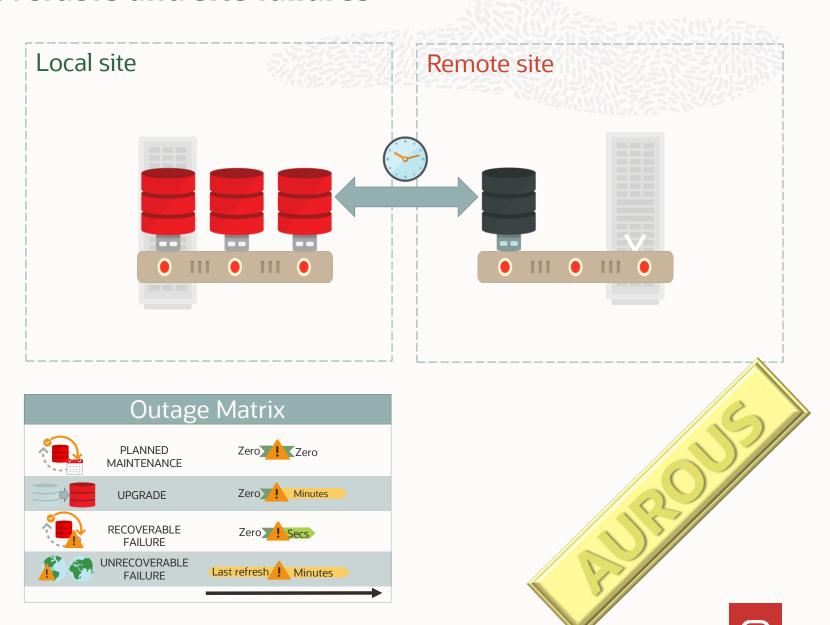
#### **Protection from unrecoverable and site failures**

#### **Underlying Technologies**



REFRESHABLE PDB SWITCHOVER

- Site failure protection
- Partial corruption prevention
- Switchover and failover capability
- One click setup
- PDB relocate to upgraded database

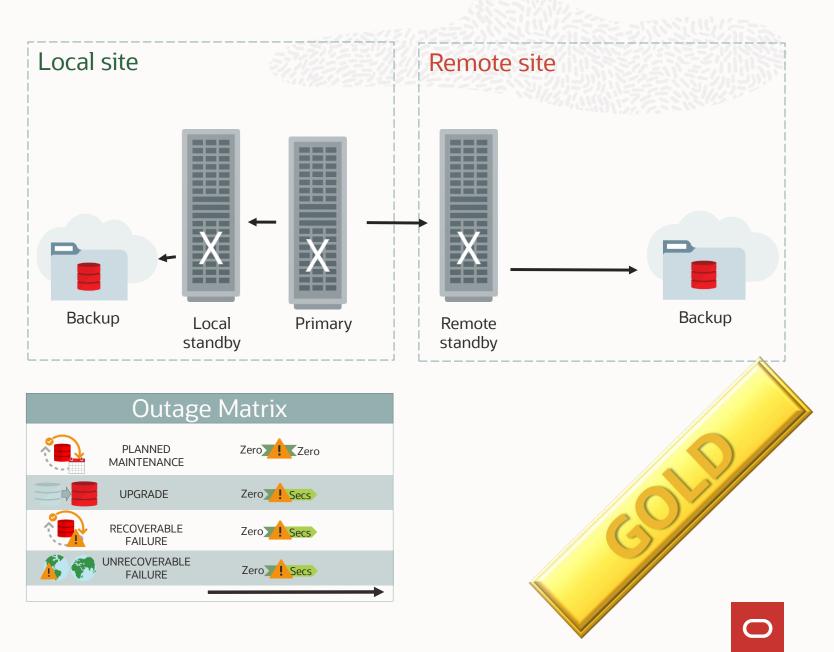


#### **Protection from unrecoverable and site failures**

#### **Underlying Technologies**



- Site failure protection
- Comprehensive corruption prevention
- Rolling upgrades
- Offload work to standby with read-mostly scaleout



### 99.999% Availability

#### Underlying Technologies



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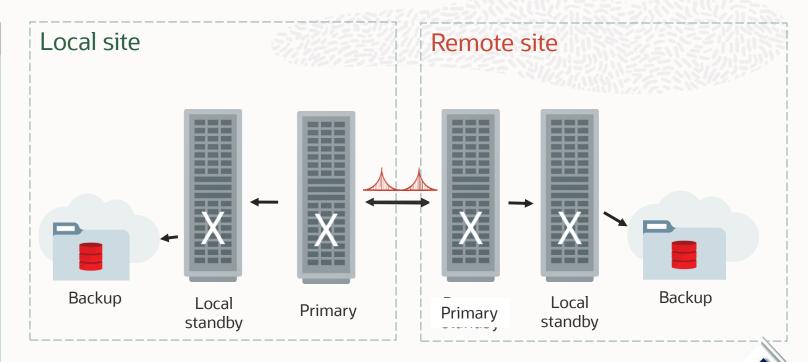
- Active/Active
- Always online
- Online database upgrades
- Site switch with zero database downtime
- Read-write scale-out
- The application must be aware of the replica(s)

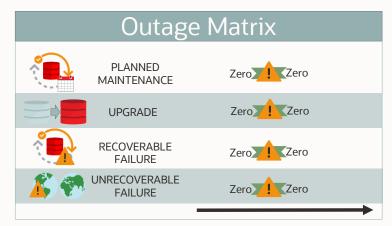


 Online application upgrades



- Distributed
- Best scale-out

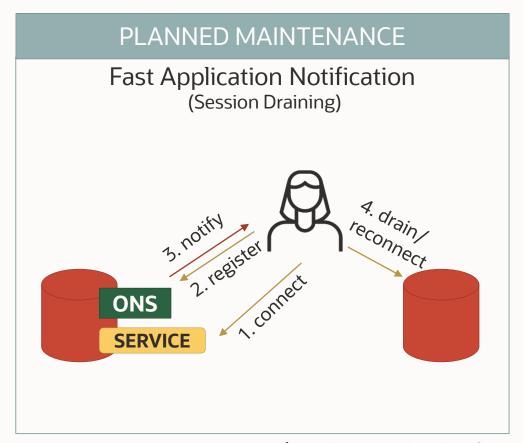


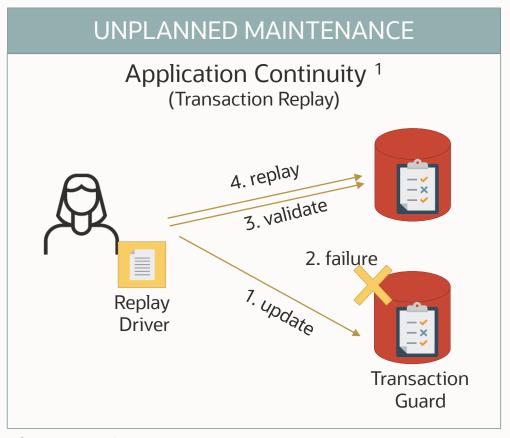




## Client-side required technologies

Client draining/failover is a crucial part of high availability for applications connecting to the database.





<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Application Checklist for Continuous Service for MAA Solutions <a href="https://www.oracle.com/technetwork/database/clustering/checklist-ac-6676160.pdf">https://www.oracle.com/technetwork/database/clustering/checklist-ac-6676160.pdf</a>



# Oracle Cloud Infrastructure Topology

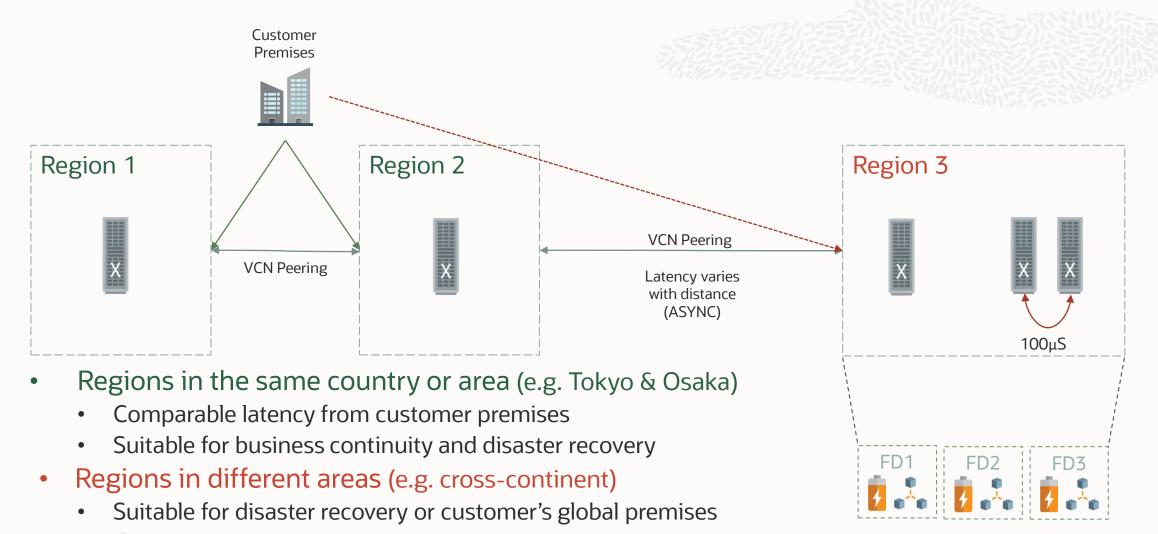
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## **Oracle Cloud Infrastructure regions – April 2021**



## **Oracle Cloud Infrastructure topology**

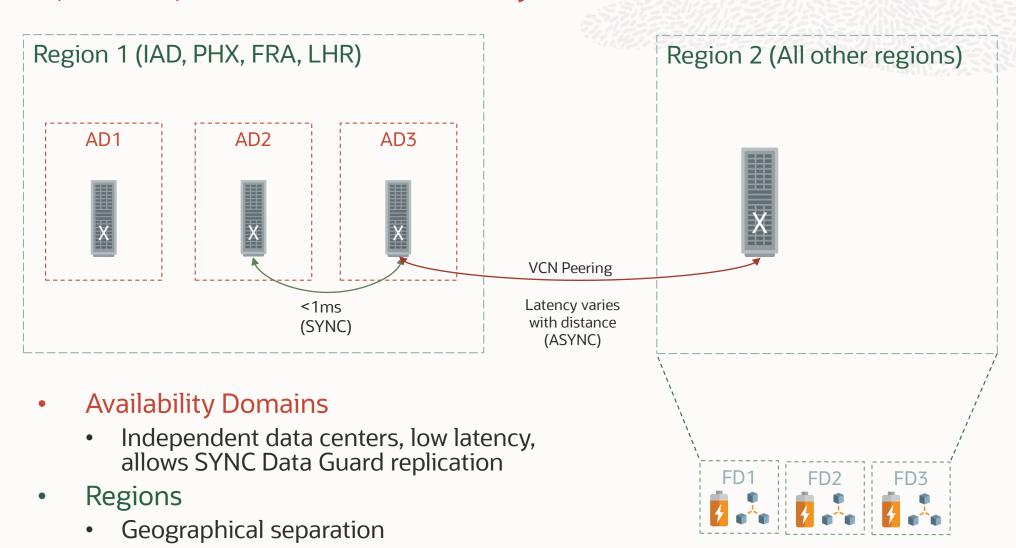


- Fault Domains
  - Isolated Power & Network

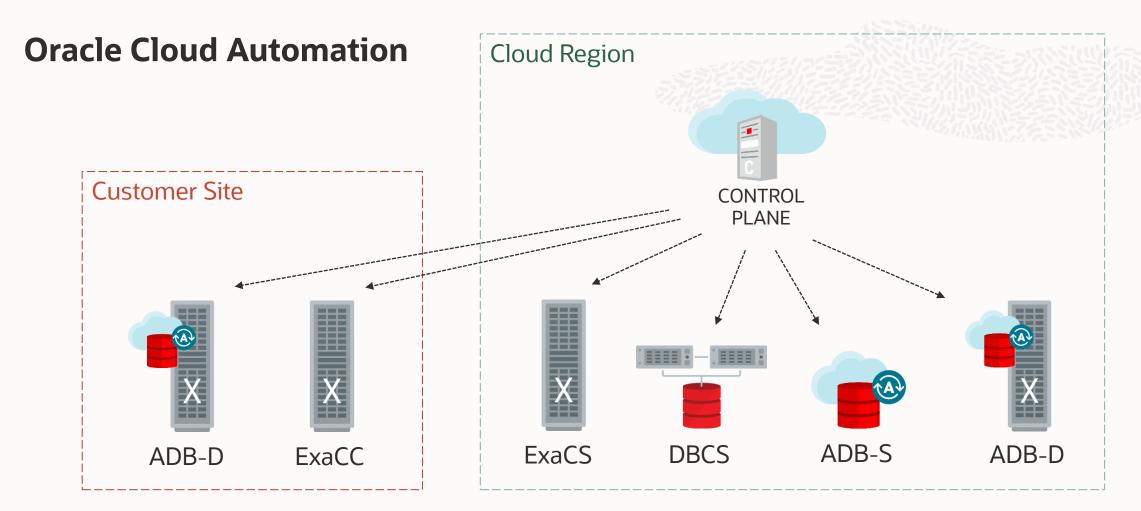


## **Oracle Cloud Infrastructure Topology**

#### Ashburn, Phoenix, Frankfurt and London only







- Cloud Automation can be either:
  - 100% managed by the service
  - Achieved with the OCI Tooling, through the Control Plane:
     OCI User Interface, OCI Rest API, SDK, OCI CLI, Terraform OCI Provider, etc.

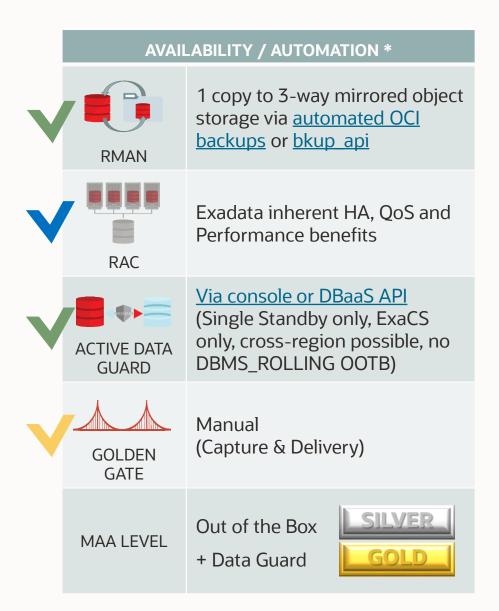


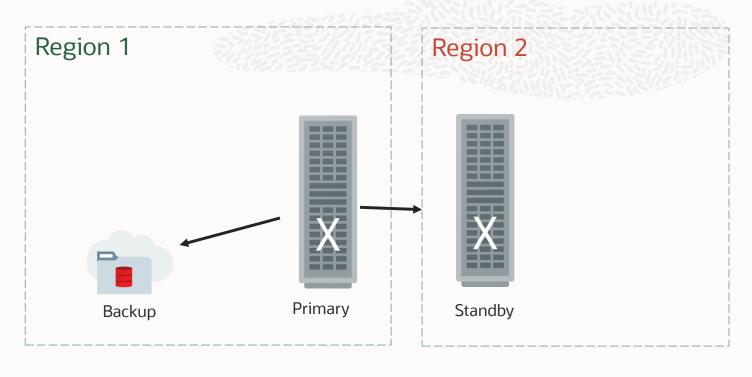
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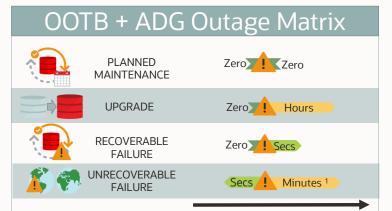
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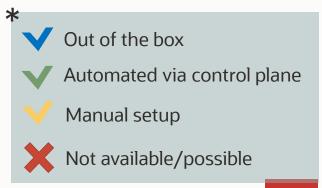
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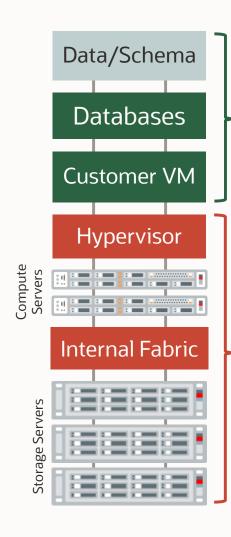




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## **Exadata Cloud Services: responsibility overview**



#### **Customer owns everything inside database**

• Data, schema, encryption keys

#### **Customer subscribes to database services**

- Customer manages VMs, GI and Databases using Cloud Automation (UI / APIs)
- Automation to create, delete, patch, backup, scale up/down, etc.
- Runs all supported Oracle Database versions from 11.2.0.4 to 19c
- Customer controls access to customer VM

#### **Oracle owns and manages infrastructure**

- Database servers/VM hosts, storage servers, fabric network
- Patching, security scans, security updates
- Monitoring and maintenance

## **Exadata Cloud Services: control plane automatic RMAN backup**



1-click configuration automatic RMAN backup

	SCHEDULING	<ul> <li>Done by control plane, ability to change backup time</li> <li>Automatic archivelog backup via cron job every 30 minutes</li> </ul>
i	DESTINATION	<ul> <li>DBCS-managed bucket only, no direct control by the customer</li> <li>No support for archive storage</li> </ul>
1	REPLICAS	<ul> <li>3-ways mirrored backup</li> <li>No backup replicas across ADs or object storage buckets</li> </ul>
	CREDENTIALS	<ul> <li>Managed by the control plane</li> <li>Automatic password rotation done by control plane</li> </ul>
	WALLET	<ul> <li>No requirement for wallet backup if using KMS</li> <li>TDE wallet backed up automatically, but not its password or the autologin Wallet</li> </ul>
· •	RESTORE	<ul> <li>Restore CDB capabilities</li> <li>No capability to restore across ADs or regions via control plane</li> <li>No duplicate on the same host via control plane</li> </ul>
X	FAILOVER	Backup runs independently of node availability
	STANDBY	No backup of standby database but can be configured to backup once role is primary
\$	CHARGING	Only for object storage space (not number of requests or backup module)

## Exadata Cloud Services: RMAN backups with bkup\_api



### RMAN backup via bkup\_api

	SCHEDULING	<ul> <li>Scheduled by cron job, runs from first node</li> <li>Automatic archivelog backup every 30 minutes</li> <li>Ability to change default backup time and L0 backup day</li> </ul>
i	DESTINATION	<ul><li>Customer bucket (fully controlled by the customer, including replication)</li><li>No support for archive storage</li></ul>
	REPLICAS	Possible to set up backup replication
	CREDENTIALS	Customer responsible for password rotation
	WALLET	TDE wallet backed up, but not its password or the autologin wallet
-	RESTORE	<ul><li>Restore CDB and PDB capabilities</li><li>No duplicate on the same host via bkup_api</li></ul>
X	FAILOVER	<ul><li>Backup initiated on a specific node.</li><li>Failure of the node will fail the current backup api call.</li></ul>
	STANDBY	No backup for standby database but can be configured to backup once role is primary
\$	CHARGING	For object storage space and number of requests (not for the backup module)

## **Exadata Cloud Services: manual RMAN backups**



#### Direct RMAN backup with customer downloaded and configured backup module

	SCHEDULING	No database backup scheduling
1	DESTINATION	<ul> <li>Use latest Cloud backup module with native API support to access all capabilities (replication, archive storage,) of OCI object storage</li> </ul>
	REPLICAS	<ul><li>Possible to set up backup replication</li><li>RMAN catalog possible</li></ul>
	CREDENTIALS	Bucket credentials must be fully managed by customer
	WALLET	TDE wallet backup is customer responsibility
-	RESTORE	<ul> <li>Anywhere the backups reside (local OSS bucket, remote bucket across AD, remote bucket across region)</li> </ul>
X	FAILOVER	Customer must configure where the backup executes
	STANDBY	Possible to backup standby databases or offload backups to the standby
\$	CHARGING	For backup module, object storage and number of requests



## **Exadata Cloud Services: RMAN best practices**

- Use Control Plane Automatic Backup for database backup/restore in ExaCS
  - MAA best practices and backup validation are built-in
  - Default settings provide good performance (<a href="https://www.oracle.com/a/tech/docs/exacs-oci-backup-restore--oss-performance.pdf">https://www.oracle.com/a/tech/docs/exacs-oci-backup-restore--oss-performance.pdf</a>)
  - Increase parallelism for higher performance trading off higher CPU processing
  - Ensure data retention settings meets your business requirements (7, 15, 30 or 60 days)
  - For backup monitoring use OCI Events Service
- Customer backup options via bkup\_api
  - Increase RMAN parallelism for higher performance trading off higher CPU processing
  - TDE wallet needs to be backed up separately
- Use manual backup solution for these exceptions
  - Long term (archival) backup retention, backup to remote region or offload backup to standby use cases required







- Out of place patching is built-in with control plane move command
- Software update orchestrates drain, service relocation and instance restart
- RAC uses 192.168.128.0/20 on IB and 100.64.0.0/10 on RoCE for interconnect
- Additional IP addresses can be added
- Changing listener port is not supported, but additional ports can be added







- Create databases only through cloud Control Plane or cloud APIs to include configuration best practices
- Update software using Cloud automation. DB software is out of place update.
- Create a separate application service managed by Oracle Clusterware and follow application failover best practices to achieve zero application downtime
- Run exachk monthly and address alerts
- For "Single Instance", consider PDB singletons.
- Adjust hugepages as you add or resize databases (set use\_large\_pages=ONLY)
- Avoid DB and system customizations







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	PROTECTION	<ul> <li>Asynchronous configuration by default (protection level MAX PERFORMANCE)</li> <li>Synchronous configuration (protection level MAX AVAILABILITY)</li> <li>Data Guard fast-start failover is a manual setup</li> </ul>
	ROLE CHANGES	<ul> <li>Supports failover and switchover operations</li> <li>Out-of-band role transition is not recommended but DB role status will be resynchronized in minutes</li> </ul>
	OPEN MODE	Always configured as Active Data Guard (open read-only)
	PATCHING UPGRADE	<ul> <li>Control plane understands the role and requires that the standby home is updated first. datapatch is run after primary database is updated</li> </ul>





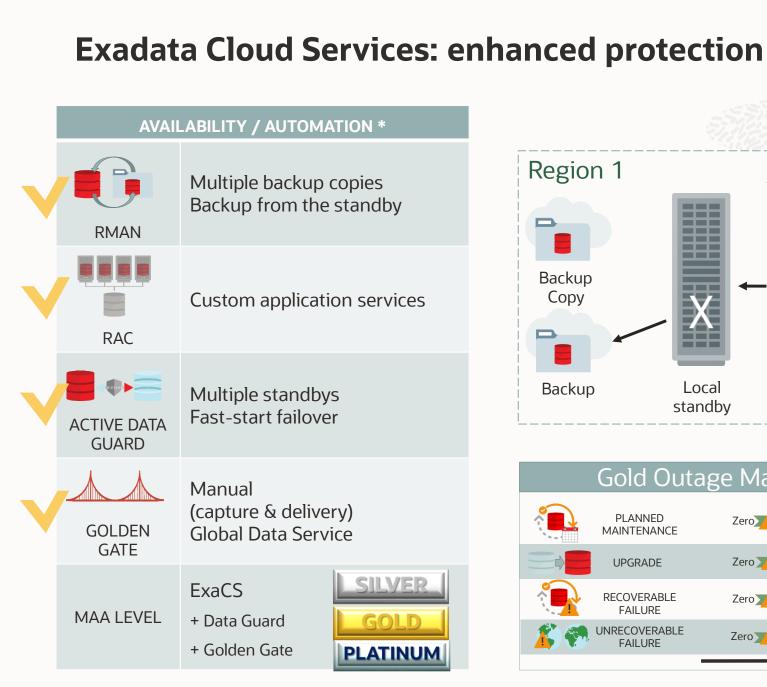
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	TOPOLOGY	<ul> <li>Multiple standby databases, far sync and cascade standby</li> <li>Hybrid Data Guard configurations</li> <li>These Data Guard topologies are not recognized in the control plane</li> </ul>
	PROTECTION	<ul> <li>All data protection modes are possible</li> <li>Setup fast-start failover and incorporate MAA practices manually</li> </ul>
	ROLE CHANGES	<ul> <li>Recommend using DG broker or Enterprise Manager.</li> <li>Automatic when Data Guard fast-start failover is setup</li> </ul>
	OPEN MODE	Managed by the customer
	PATCHING UPGRADE	<ul> <li>Some cloud automation still possible if database is recognized as a cloud database</li> <li>Customers can manually use standby-first update strategy and DBMS_ROLLING for rolling upgrades</li> </ul>

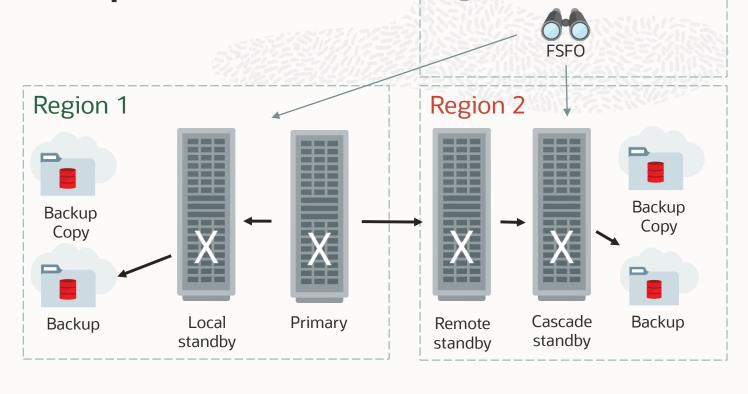
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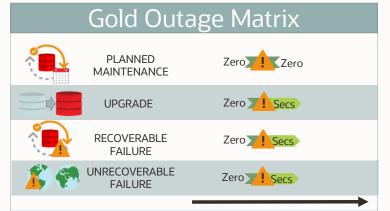
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- Operations
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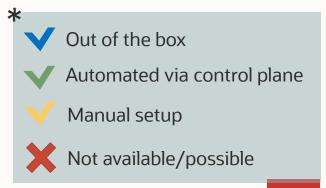






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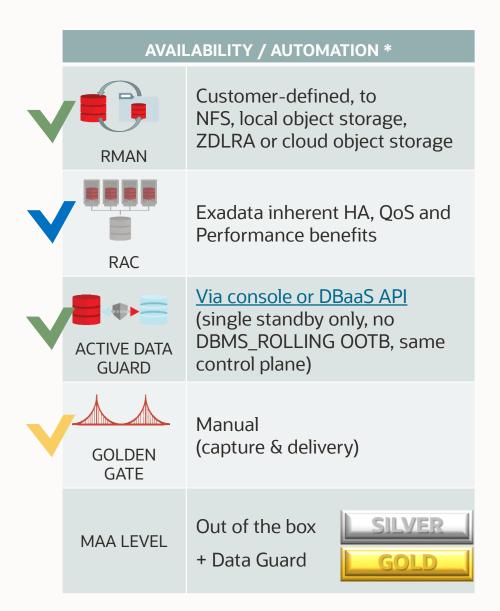


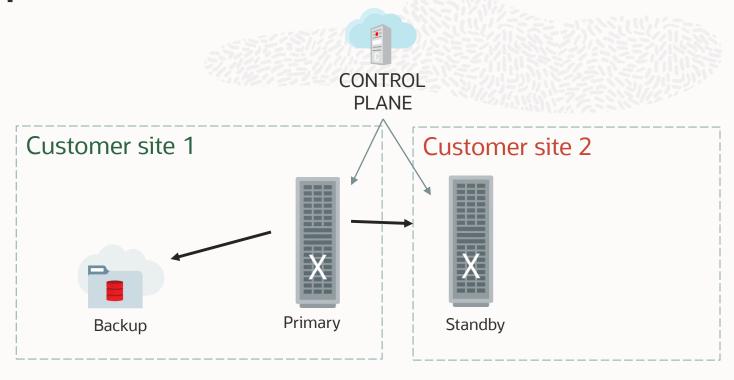
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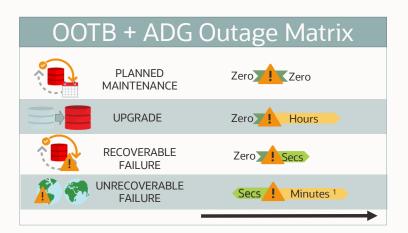
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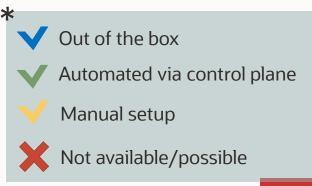
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## **Exadata Cloud @ Customer: control plane automatic RMAN Backup**

#### 1-click configuration Automatic RMAN backup

9	SCHEDULING	<ul><li>Set up as cron job</li><li>Automatic 30 minutes archivelog backup via cron job</li></ul>
i	DESTINATION	<ul> <li>To NFS or ZDLRA</li> <li>To cloud object storage or service-managed bucket</li> </ul>
	REPLICAS	<ul> <li>3-ways mirrored backup for cloud object storage (no replication)</li> <li>Customer-defined for NFS and ZDLRA</li> </ul>
	CREDENTIALS	<ul> <li>Object Storage: managed by the control plane</li> <li>ZDLRA and NFS: Managed by the customer</li> </ul>
	WALLET	<ul> <li>TDE wallet backed up automatically, but not its password (cloud object storage only)</li> <li>No requirement for wallet backup if using Oracle Key Vault</li> </ul>
-	RESTORE	Database restore (from backup, to point-in-time or full) options
X	FAILOVER	Backup initiated on a specific node. It does not run if that node is down.
	STANDBY	No backup of standby database





## **Exadata Cloud @ Customer: manual RMAN backups**

Direct RMAN backup with customer configured backup module

	SCHEDULING	<ul> <li>No automatic scheduling. Database and archivelog backups must be scheduled by the customer</li> </ul>
i	DESTINATION	<ul> <li>Any destination possible via RMAN</li> <li>Use latest Cloud backup module with native API support to access all capabilities (replication, archive storage,) of OCI object storage</li> </ul>
	REPLICAS	Depends on destination capabilities
	CREDENTIALS	Credentials fully managed by customer
	WALLET	<ul> <li>TDE wallet backup is customer responsibility</li> <li>Check backup destination compatibility when using Oracle Key Vault</li> </ul>
<b>1</b>	RESTORE	Possible everywhere
X	FAILOVER	Customer must configure where the backup executes
	STANDBY	Possible to backup standby databases





## **Exadata Cloud @ Customer: RMAN best practices**

- Use control plane automatic backup for database backup/restore in ExaCC
- Use ZDLRA for lowest RPO, incremental forever and additional backup/restore benefits
- If NFS is used backup destination, configure DNFS. Tuning is responsibility of the customer
- Increase parallelism for higher performance trading off higher CPU processing
- Ensure backup window is optimum for application cycles
- Choose the backup retention depending on your requirements
  - Object Storage, NFS: 7, 15, 30, 45 or 60 days
  - ZDLRA: controlled by the recovery appliance protection policy
- Use OCI Object Storage and Archive storage for long term backup retention







- Create databases only through cloud control plane or cloud APIs to include configuration best practices
- Update software using Cloud automation. DB software is out of place update.
  - Cloud orchestrates service drain, service relocation and instance restart transparently
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- Adjust hugepages as you add or resize databases (set use\_large\_pages=ONLY)
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	TOPOLOGY	<ul> <li>Supports Data Guard across ADs or across regions</li> <li>Supports ExaCC to ExaCC only</li> <li>Far sync, cascade or multiple standby databases require manual configuration</li> </ul>
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	OPEN MODE	Always configured as Active Data Guard (open read-only)
	PATCHING UPGRADE	<ul> <li>Control Plane understands the role and requires that the standby home is updated first. Data Patch is run after primary database is updated.</li> <li>DB rolling upgrade (DBMS_Rolling) is not available yet</li> </ul>





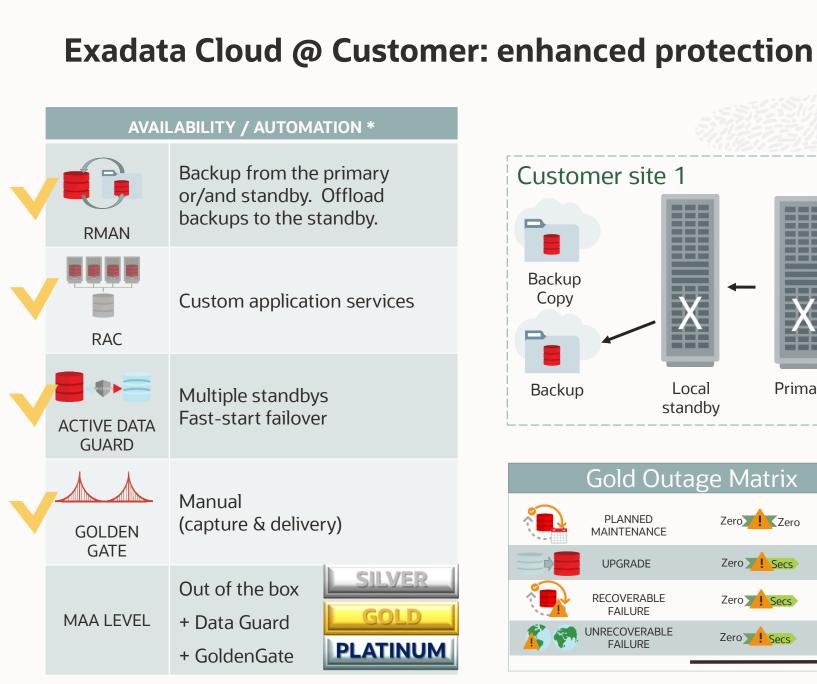
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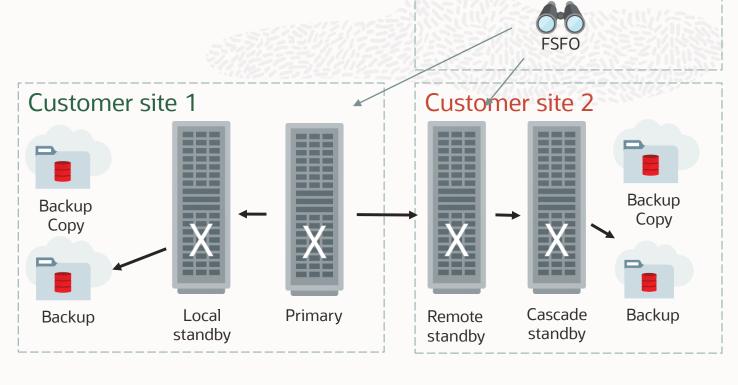
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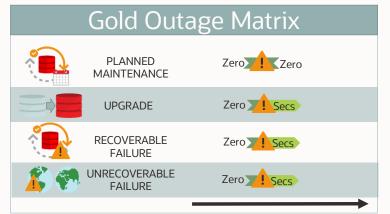


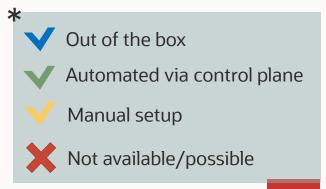
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# Database Cloud Services – Virtual Machines

Maximum Availability Architecture



#### **Database Cloud Services VM: basic information**

- DBCS uses standard Intel Compute with block storage
  - Block storage is triple-mirrored automatically
  - Either on LVM or ASM (Grid Infrastructure)
    - ASM uses external redundancy
- VMs are automatically restarted on failure
- VMs are automatically relocated to a different hypervisor on HW failure
- RAC nodes use different fault domains per node
- Support for «VM reboot» migrations

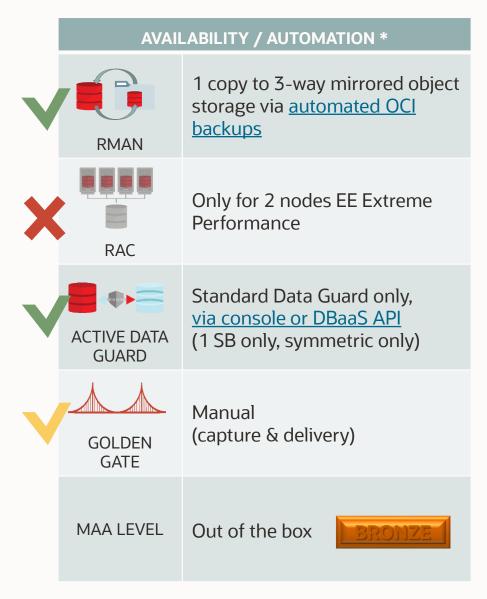


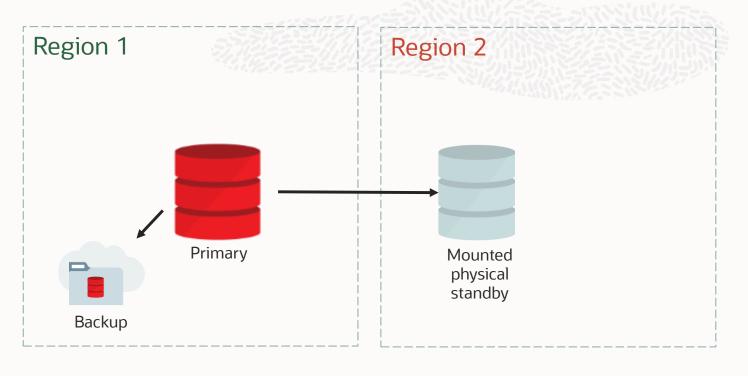
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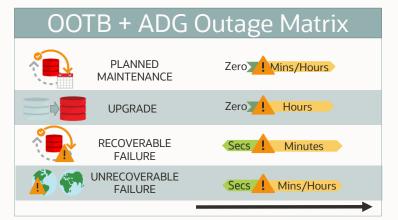
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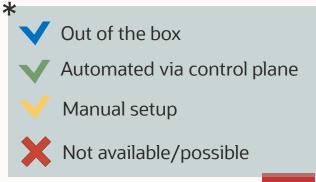


#### **Database Cloud Services VM 1-Node: protection out of the box**



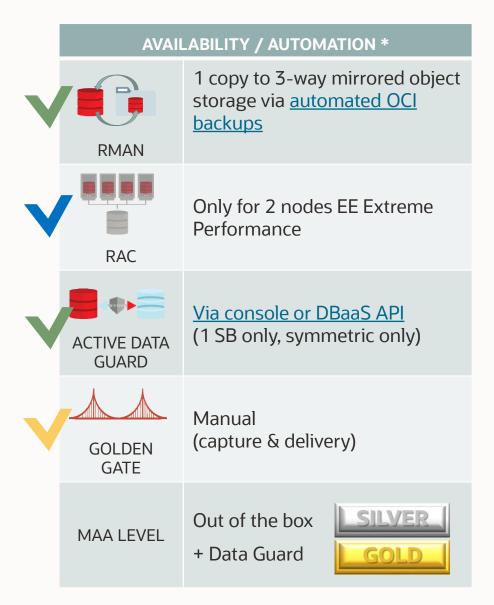


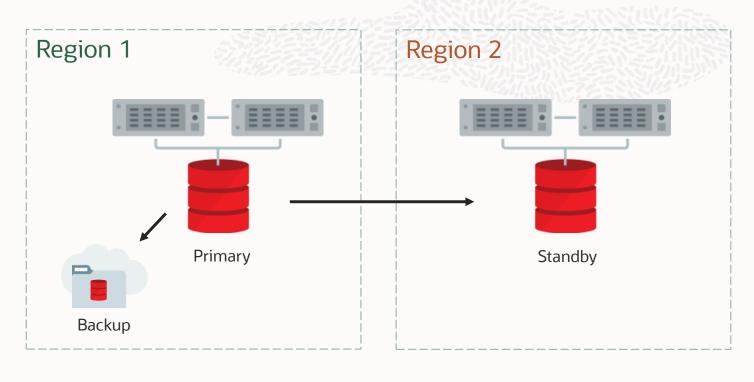


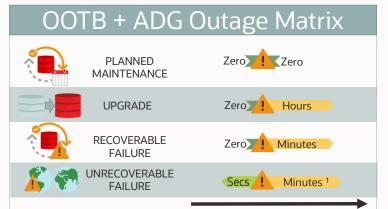




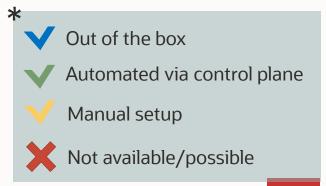
#### **Database Cloud Services VM RAC: protection out of the box**







<sup>1</sup> No FSFO, based on time after customer action





### **Database Cloud Services VM: control plane automatic RMAN backup**

1-click configuration Automatic RMAN backup

	SCHEDULING	<ul><li>Done by control plane</li><li>Automatic hourly archivelog backup via DBCS agent</li></ul>
i	DESTINATION	<ul> <li>DBCS-managed bucket only, no direct control by the customer</li> <li>No support for archive storage</li> </ul>
-	REPLICAS	<ul> <li>3-ways mirrored backup</li> <li>No backup replicas across ADs or object storage buckets</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>CREDENTIALS</li> <li>Managed by the control plane</li> <li>Automatic password rotation done by control plane</li> </ul>		
•	WALLET	<ul> <li>TDE wallet backed up automatically, but not its password or the autologin wallet</li> <li>Separated manual backup recommended</li> </ul>
-	RESTORE	<ul> <li>No capability to restore across ADs or regions via control plane</li> <li>No duplicate on the same host (only 1 CDB supported per DB system)</li> </ul>
X	FAILOVER	Backup runs independently of node availability (only for RAC)
	STANDBY	No backup of standby database
\$	CHARGING	Only for object storage space (not number of requests or backup module)



### Database Cloud Services VM: RMAN backups with dbcli

#### RMAN backup via dbcli

	SCHEDULING	Scheduled by DBCS scheduler Automatic hourly archivelog backup	
1	DESTINATION	Customer bucket (fully controlled by the customer) No support for archive storage	
	REPLICAS	Possible to set up backup replication	
	CREDENTIALS	Customer responsible for password rotation	
	WALLET	TDE wallet backup is customer responsibility	
-	RESTORE	No duplicate on the same host (only 1 CDB supported per DB system)	
X	FAILOVER	Backup runs independently of node availability (only for RAC)	
	STANDBY	No backup for stand-by	
\$	CHARGING	For object storage space and number of requests (not for the backup module)	



#### **Database Cloud Services VM: manual RMAN backups**

Direct RMAN backup with customer downloaded and configured backup module

	SCHEDULING	<ul> <li>No automatic scheduling. Database and archivelog backups must be scheduled by the customer</li> </ul>
i	DESTINATION	<ul> <li>Use latest Cloud backup module with native API support to access all capabilities (replication, archive storage,) of OCI object storage</li> </ul>
	REPLICAS	<ul> <li>Possible to set up backup replication</li> <li>RMAN catalog possible</li> </ul>
	CREDENTIALS	Bucket credentials must be fully managed by customer
	WALLET	TDE wallet backup is customer responsibility
•	RESTORE	Possible everywhere
X	FAILOVER	Customer must configure where the backup executes
	STANDBY	Possible to backup standby databases
\$	CHARGING	For backup module, object storage and number of requests



#### **Database Cloud Services VM: RMAN best practices**

- The performance of the RMAN backup is defined by the network.
  - Depending on VM shape (network bandwidth is correlated to the number of CPUs)
  - Network is used for reading datafiles (block storage) and writing backup pieces (object storage)
  - Monitor network for RMAN backups impact on running applications
- Standard Edition allows just 1 backup channel
- Number of backup channels depends on VM shape and should be adapted manually
- Backup compression (LOW/MEDIUM) can be changed manually
- Other RMAN configuration parameters should not be changed when using automated backup
- Additional separated manual backup of TDE wallet recommended
- Backup retention can be set to 7, 15, 30 or 60 days
- For backup monitoring use OCI Events Service
- Use standalone backups (full) through control plane for long-term backups with longer retention requirements
  - Automatic backups are deleted when the instance is terminated
  - Standalone backups will stay until deleted manually







- Software update orchestrates drain, service relocation and instance restart
- RAC uses 192.168.16.0/24 for interconnect
- Additional IP addresses can be added
- Changing listener port is not supported, but additional ports can be added





- Create databases only through cloud Control Plane or cloud APIs to include configuration best practices
- Update software using Cloud automation. DB software is out of place update.
- Create a separate application service managed by Oracle Clusterware and follow application failover best practices to achieve zero application downtime
- For "Single Instance", consider PDB singletons.
- Adjust hugepages as you add or resize databases (set use\_large\_pages=ONLY)
- Avoid DB and system customizations





<u>*</u>	SETUP	<ul> <li>1-click setup from control plane</li> <li>Uses Data Guard broker</li> <li>Only via DUPLICATE FROM ACTIVE DATABASE</li> </ul>
	TOPOLOGY	<ul> <li>No far sync, cascade or multiple standby databases</li> <li>Possible only between DBCS VMs</li> <li>Not supported between RAC and single instance</li> </ul>
	PROTECTION	<ul> <li>Asynchronous configuration by default (protection level MAX PERFORMANCE)</li> <li>Synchronous configuration (protection level MAX AVAILABILITY)</li> <li>Data Guard fast-start failover is a manual setup</li> </ul>
	ROLE CHANGES	<ul> <li>Out-of-band role transition is not recommended but DB role status will be resynchronized in minutes</li> </ul>
	OPEN MODE	It depends on Database software edition (ADG only with Extreme Performance)
<b> </b>	PATCHING UPGRADE	<ul> <li>No guided patching of databases but control plane understands the role and does not apply datapatch on a standby</li> <li>No support for rolling upgrade</li> </ul>





	SETUP	<ul> <li>Data Guard instantiation and setup are done by the customer</li> <li>Create Cloud Database and then manually instantiate standby database using standard MAA Data Guard best practices</li> </ul>	
in the	TOPOLOGY	<ul> <li>Multiple standby databases, far sync and cascade standby are available</li> <li>Hybrid configurations</li> <li>Data Guard topology is not recognized in the control plane</li> </ul>	
	PROTECTION	<ul> <li>All data protection modes are possible</li> <li>Setup Fast-start failover and incorporate MAA practices</li> </ul>	
	ROLE CHANGES	<ul> <li>Recommend using DG broker or Enterprise Manager.</li> <li>Automatic if Data Guard Fast-Start Failover is setup</li> </ul>	
	OPEN MODE	Managed by the customer	
	PATCHING UPGRADE	<ul> <li>Some Database Cloud Automation still possible</li> <li>Customers can manually use standby-first approach and DBMS_ROLLING for rolling upgrades</li> </ul>	

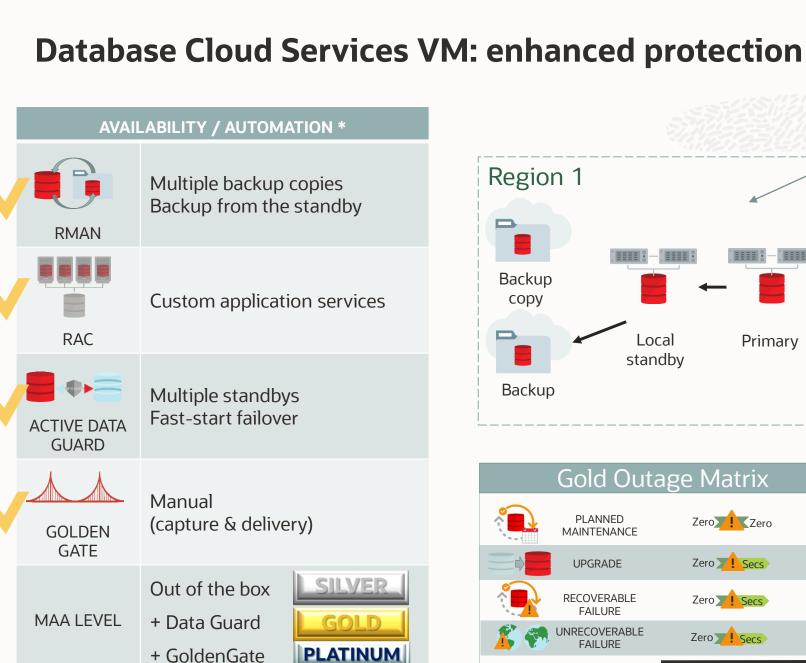


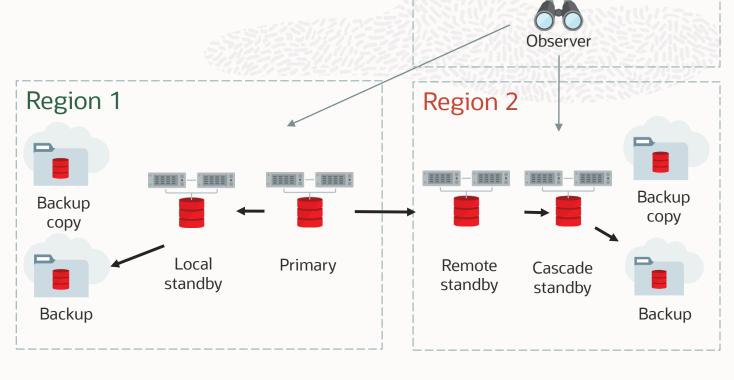




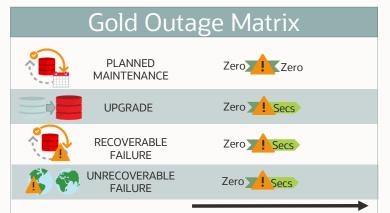
- Always use Grid Infrastructure storage management (ASM) for Data Guard environments
  - It includes Oracle Notification Services (ONS)
  - No static listener entries required
  - Service control (srvctl)
- Data Guard on LVM is supported but lacks above functionalities
- Always use custom application services
- Changing listener port is not supported (but additional ports can be added)
- db\_block\_checking is set by default to:
  - FULL on Grid Infrastructure, consider performance implications when migrating
  - TYPICAL on LVM
- Custom DB software images are recommended
- Only use VCN connectivity and not public network
- Put FSFO observer with the applications or in a 3<sup>rd</sup> region

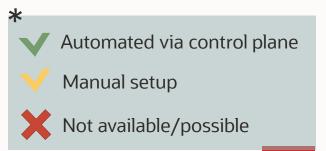






Region 3







#### **Database Cloud Services VM: read more**

Backing Up a Database to Oracle Cloud Infrastructure Object Storage <a href="https://docs.oracle.com/en-us/iaas/Content/Database/Tasks/backingupOS.htm">https://docs.oracle.com/en-us/iaas/Content/Database/Tasks/backingupOS.htm</a>

Using Oracle Data Guard

https://docs.oracle.com/en-us/iaas/Content/Database/Tasks/usingdataguard.htm

HowTo configure oci-cli with Instance/Resource Principals (Doc ID 2763990.1) <a href="https://support.oracle.com/epmos/faces/DocumentDisplay?id=2763990.1">https://support.oracle.com/epmos/faces/DocumentDisplay?id=2763990.1</a>

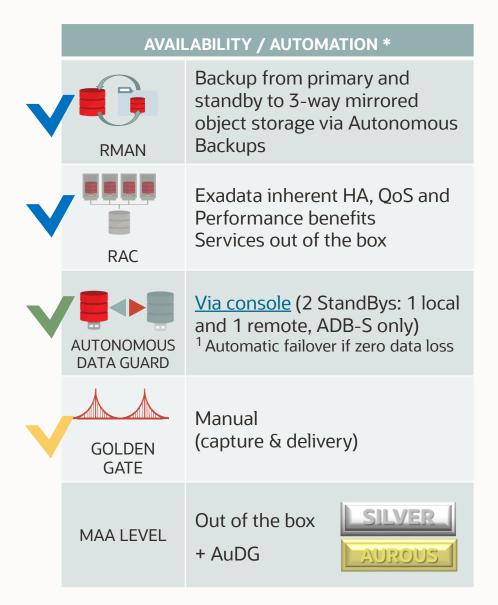


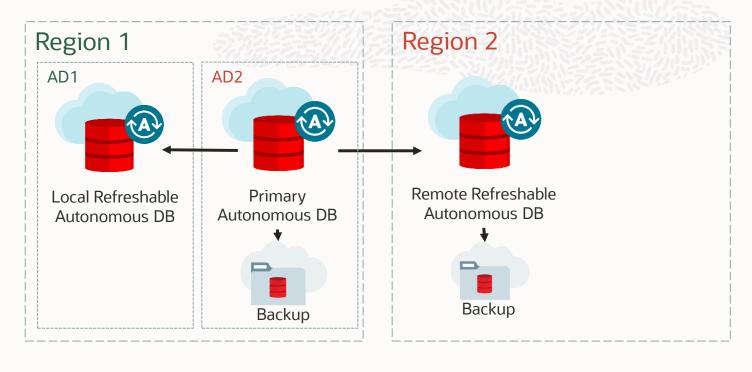
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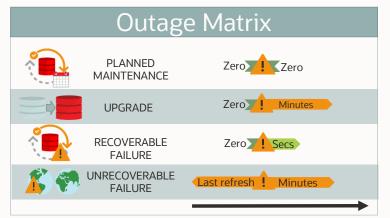
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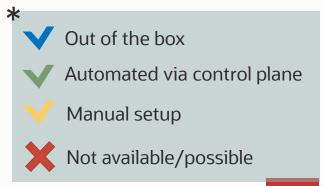


#### **Autonomous Database - Shared: protection out of the box**













### **Autonomous Database - Shared: automatic backup**

	SCHEDULING	<ul> <li>Automatically done by the service (full every 60 days, daily incremental, weekly cumulative, hourly archivelog)</li> </ul>
1	DESTINATION	Service-managed bucket, no direct customer access
=	REPLICAS	<ul> <li>3-ways mirrored backup</li> <li>Backup replication available with Autonomous Data Guard</li> </ul>
	CREDENTIALS	<ul><li>Managed internally</li><li>Automatic password rotation</li></ul>
	WALLET	TDE wallet managed and backed up by Oracle
· •	RESTORE	<ul> <li>In-place restore only</li> <li>Duplicate from backup is supported if the source is available or if within the retention window</li> </ul>
X	FAILOVER	Backup runs independently of node availability
	STANDBY	Backup of standby database is automatic with AuDG
\$	CHARGING	<ul> <li>No charge for automatic backups</li> <li>For object storage and number of requests, when doing manual backups</li> </ul>



#### **Autonomous Database - Shared: automatic backup best practices**

- Backup retention is always 60 days
- Automatic backups are unavailable when the ADB instance is terminated
- Manual backup to customer object storage:
  - Used for fast PITR only
  - Follows backup retention
  - Cannot be used to create a new database







- Services are automatically created
  - ATP and ADW: \_high, \_medium, \_low
  - ATP only: \_tp, \_tpurgent
- Client access only via TLS
- Application Continuity can be enabled and configured via DBMS\_CLOUD\_ADMIN package
- No configuration requirement for Fast Application Notification
  - FAN events are handled by Connection Manager (CMAN)
- Databases with lower OCPU count only opened on a single node
- Databases with higher OCPU count opened on two nodes
- Patching is rolling and announced in the user interface (No database downtime. Zero application downtime for short transactions, long transactions might have impact)





#### **Autonomous Database - Shared: Autonomous Data Guard via control plane**

<u>**</u>	SETUP	<ul> <li>1-click setup from control plane</li> <li>Only via PDB hot clone</li> </ul>
	TOPOLOGY	<ul> <li>Setup of 1 standby within region (across ADs where applicable) and 1 across regions</li> <li>Remote region destinations predefined based on latency</li> <li>Only possible between ADB-S</li> </ul>
	PROTECTION	<ul> <li>Asynchronous configuration (RPO up to 5 minutes, RTO up to 2 minutes)</li> <li>Automatic failover available if no data loss can be guaranteed</li> <li>RTO does not include detection time</li> </ul>
\(\frac{1}{2}\)	ROLE CHANGES	<ul> <li>Switchover and failover available through control plane</li> <li>Connection string does not change</li> </ul>
	OPEN MODE	<ul> <li>No access to standby database</li> <li>Additional read-only clones can be created and refreshed manually</li> </ul>
	PATCHING UPGRADE	<ul> <li>Primary and standby are patched independently</li> <li>PDB can be relocated to upgraded database</li> </ul>



#### **Autonomous Database - Shared: read more**

Oracle Maximum Availability Architecture and Autonomous Database Cloud <a href="https://docs.oracle.com/en-us/iaas/Content/Database/Concepts/maxavailarch.htm#MAA">https://docs.oracle.com/en-us/iaas/Content/Database/Concepts/maxavailarch.htm#MAA</a> auto

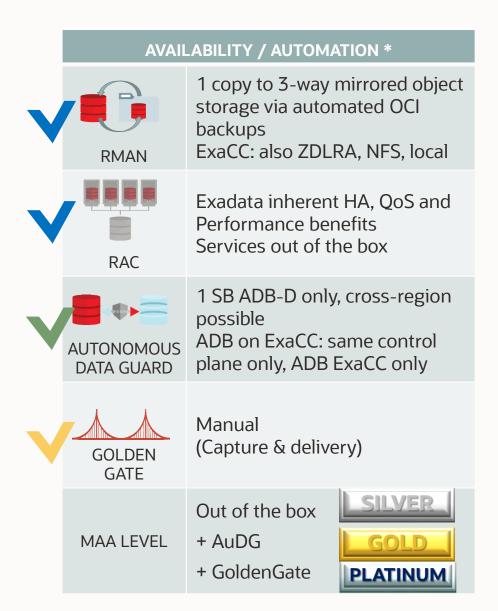


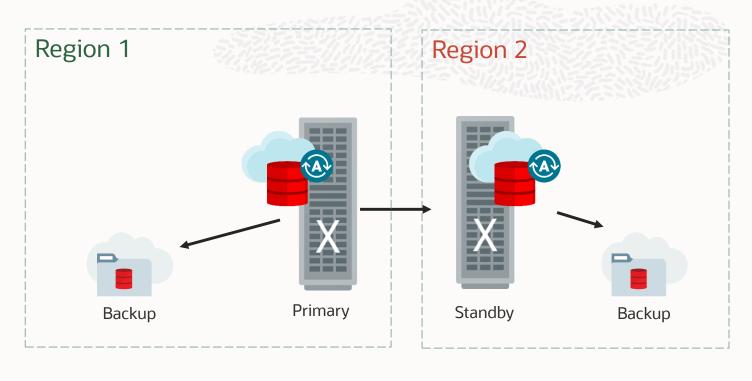
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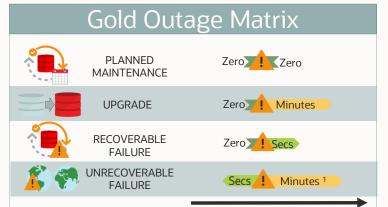
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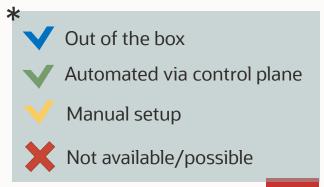
#### **Autonomous Database - Dedicated: protection out of the box**







<sup>1</sup> No FSFO, based on time after customer action





### **Autonomous Database - Dedicated: automatic backup**

		SCHEDULING	Automatically done by the service (weekly full, daily incremental, 15 mins archivelog)
i		DESTINATION	<ul> <li>Internal object storage bucket, no direct customer access</li> <li>ADB on ExaCC: NFS, ZDLRA (recovery appliance) or local</li> <li>For ZDLRA, real time redo transport not available yet</li> </ul>
	73	REPLICAS	<ul> <li>Object storage, 3-ways mirrored backup</li> <li>ADB on ExaCC: ZDLRA backup replication available (manual)</li> </ul>
		CREDENTIALS	<ul> <li>Object Storage: managed internally</li> <li>ZDLRA, NFS: managed by the customer</li> </ul>
		WALLET	<ul> <li>TDE wallet managed and backed up by Oracle</li> <li>ADB: Oracle Vault (KMS) supported</li> <li>ADB on ExaCC: Oracle Key Vault supported</li> </ul>
		RESTORE	<ul><li>In-place restore only</li><li>Duplicate (clone) is supported</li></ul>
	X	FAILOVER	Backup runs independently of node availability
		STANDBY	Automatic backup of standby database
	\$	CHARGING	No charge for automatic backups



#### **Autonomous Database - Dedicated: automatic backup best practices**

- Backup retention
  - Object Storage, NFS: 7, 15, 30, 45 or 60 days
  - ZDLRA: controlled by the recovery appliance protection policy
  - Local: 7 days
- On-demand PDB backup:
  - Used for fast PITR only
  - Follows backup retention
  - Cannot be used to create a new database





#### **Autonomous Database - Dedicated: Real Application Clusters**

- RAC uses 192.168.128.0/20 on IB and 100.64.0.0/10 on RoCE for interconnect
- Client network configured on customer's subnet. The only available connection is SCAN
- Client connection via TCP or TLS
- Databases with lower OCPU count only opened on a single node
- Databases with higher OCPU count opened on two or more nodes
- Patching is rolling and scheduled by the customer
- Fast Application Notification must be configured, ONS ports need to be opened







High priority OLTP <sup>1</sup>	tpurgent	tpurgent_tls	tpurgent_ro	tpurgent_ro_tls
Typical OLTP <sup>1</sup>	tp	tp_tls	tp_ro	tp_ro_tls
High priority Reporting <sup>2</sup>	high	high_tls	high_ro	high_ro_tls
Typical Reporting <sup>2</sup>	medium	medium_tls	medium_ro	medium_ro_tls
Low priority Reporting <sup>2</sup>	low	low_tls	low_ro	low_ro_tls



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Transparent Application Continuity enabled by default

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Use DBMS\_APP\_CONT\_ADMIN.ENABLE\_TAC to enable TAC for the non TP services

# **Autonomous Database - Dedicated: Autonomous Data Guard via control plane**Autonomous Data Guard Via control plane DATA GUARD



<u></u>	SETUP	<ul> <li>Setup from control plane on CDB creation</li> <li>A protected CDB can be chosen at ADB creation</li> </ul>	
•	TOPOLOGY	<ul> <li>Single primary-standby setup across ADs or regions</li> <li>Only possible between ADB-D of the same type (On-Prem to On-Prem or OCI to OCI)</li> <li>MAA practices integrated</li> </ul>	
	PROTECTION	<ul> <li>Max Availability or Max Performance possible at CDB level</li> <li>Automatic failover not available yet</li> </ul>	
	ROLE CHANGES	<ul> <li>Switchover and Failover at CDB level available through control plane</li> <li>Connection string is aware of Autonomous Data Guard</li> <li>Role based services available</li> </ul>	
	OPEN MODE	<ul><li>Standby database is open read-only</li><li>Standby role services available</li></ul>	
	PATCHING UPGRADE	<ul> <li>Customer controls when primary and standby are patched</li> <li>No database downtime for any software or hardware updates</li> </ul>	

#### **Autonomous Database - Dedicated: Read more**

Continuous Availability Best Practices for Applications Using Autonomous Database – Dedicated <a href="https://www.oracle.com/technetwork/database/options/clustering/applicationcontinuity/continuous-s-service-for-apps-on-atpd-5486113.pdf">https://www.oracle.com/technetwork/database/options/clustering/applicationcontinuity/continuous-s-service-for-apps-on-atpd-5486113.pdf</a>

Oracle Maximum Availability Architecture and Autonomous Database Cloud <a href="https://docs.oracle.com/en-us/iaas/Content/Database/Concepts/maxavailarch.htm#MAA">https://docs.oracle.com/en-us/iaas/Content/Database/Concepts/maxavailarch.htm#MAA</a> auto

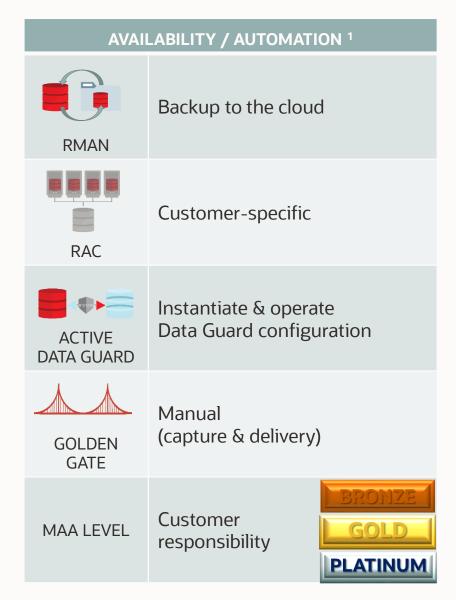


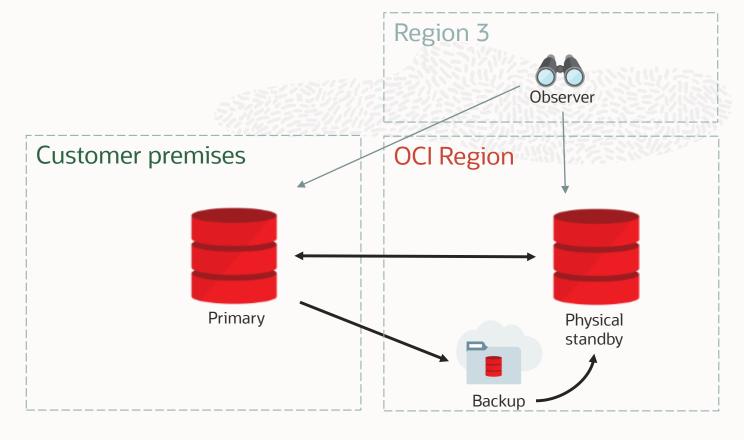
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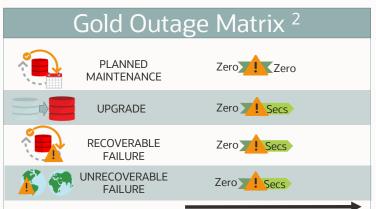
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#### **Hybrid Cloud: overview**



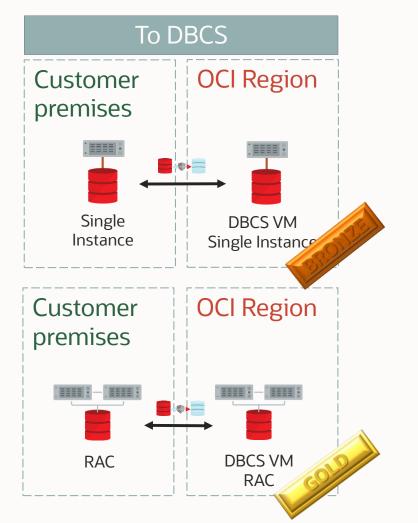


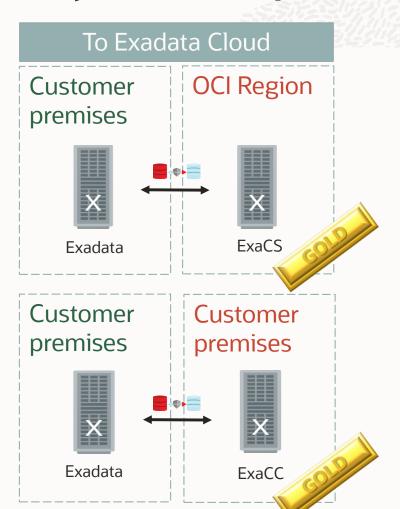


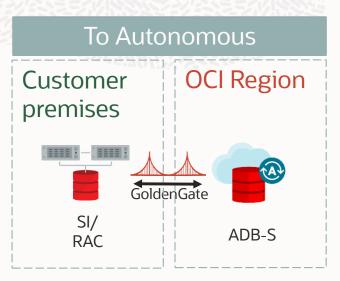
- <sup>1</sup> Customer responsibility
- <sup>2</sup> Best case scenario (FSFO + SYNC or FAR SYNC)

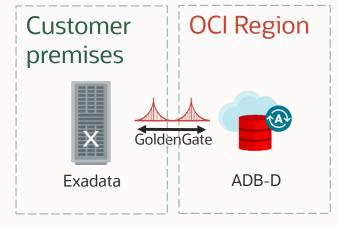


#### Hybrid Cloud: recommended hybrid sources/destinations







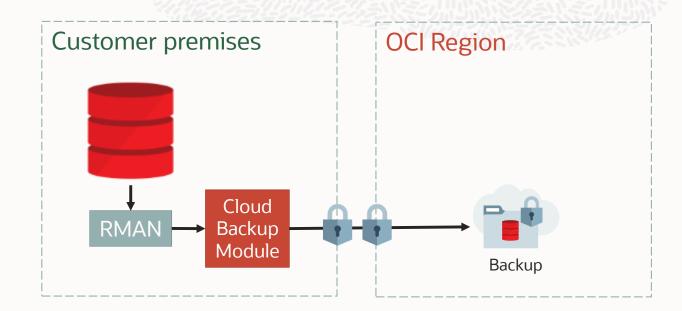


- All Hybrid configurations are achieved manually: no Control Plane automation
- On-premises non-Exadata to ExaCC/ExaCS is possible but beware of exclusive features



#### **Hybrid Cloud: backup to Oracle Cloud Infrastructure**

- Cost effective, scalable cloud storage for database backups
- End-to-end enterprise-grade data encryption, compression and protection
- Key based authentication
- Supports multiple compartments
- Object lifecycle policies for archiving
- Multipart upload
- Geo-Replication,
   3-way Protection in the cloud
- RMAN driven backup & recovery







Oracle Database Backup Cloud Service Best Practices for On-Premise Database Backup & Recovery <a href="https://www.oracle.com/technetwork/database/features/availability/twp-oracledatabasebackupservice-2183633.pdf">https://www.oracle.com/technetwork/database/features/availability/twp-oracledatabasebackupservice-2183633.pdf</a>

Use Fast Connect with public peering <a href="https://docs.oracle.com/en-us/iaas/Content/Network/Concepts/fastconnectmultipledrgs.htm">https://docs.oracle.com/en-us/iaas/Content/Network/Concepts/fastconnectmultipledrgs.htm</a>



# **Hybrid Cloud: Data Guard destination matrix**



		On-premises DB	DBCS	DBCS RAC	ExaCC	ExaCS
	OS	Linux Windows <sup>1</sup>	Linux Linux		Linux	Linux
19	VERSION	11.2.0.4 to 19c	Same as source	Same as source	Same as source	Same as source
	RELEASE UPDATE	Stay within last 3 RUs	Same as source or Standby first. Use Custom DB Image	Same as source or Standby first. Use Custom DB Image	Same as source or Standby first. Use Custom DB Image	Same as source or Standby first. Use Custom DB Image
##	ARCHITECTURE	Same as destination	CDB	CDB	CDB or non-CDB	CDB or non-CDB
	EDITION	DG: EE ADG: +ADG option	DG: EE, EE-HP ADG: EE-EP	EE-EP	Included in ExaCC	Included in ExaCS



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Data Guard Support for Heterogeneous Primary and Physical Standbys in Same Data Guard Configuration (Doc ID 413484.1)

#### **Hybrid Cloud: Data Guard checklist**



#### Network

- Measure peak redo rates and ensure enough bandwidth
  - Assessing and Tuning Network Performance for Data Guard and RMAN (Doc ID 2064368.1)
    - Generally recommended: (SDU=65536) (RECV\_BUF\_SIZE=134217728) (SEND\_BUF\_SIZE=134217728) net.core.rmem max = 134217728 net.core.wmem max = 134217728
- Communication must be bi-directional
- Use either IPSec VPN or FastConnect (recommended)
  - For FastConnect use private peering
  - If internet is used, use SQL\*Net encryption

#### **Transparent Data Encryption**

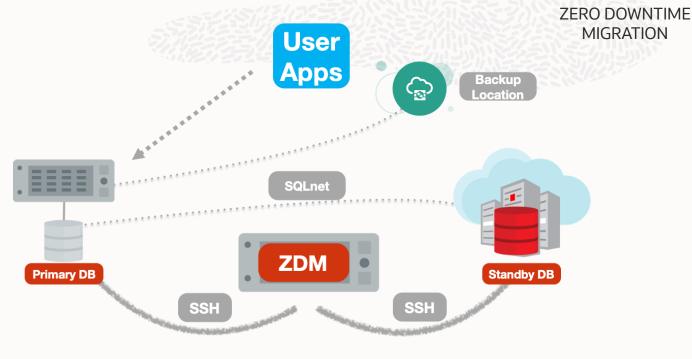
- Use TDE on both primary and standby
  - Encrypt primary prior to migration whenever possible
- Master Note for Transparent Data Encryption (TDE) (Doc ID 1228046.1)
- Oracle Database Tablespace Encryption Behavior in Oracle Cloud (Doc ID 2359020.1)



### **Hybrid Cloud: automatic setup with ZDM**



ZDM PHASES							
1	Download & Configure ZDM						
2	ZDM Starts Database Migration						
3	ZDM Connects the Source to the Object Store						
4	ZDM Orchestrates Transfer of Backup Files						
5	ZDM Instantiates a Standby DB						
6	ZDM Synchronizes Primary & Standby						
7	ZDM Switches Over & Swaps Roles						
8	ZDM Finalizes the Migration Process						





https://oracle.com/goto/zdm







- Create Database in the Cloud
  - Same patch level +one-offs as source via Custom DB Software Images
  - Same db\_name (db\_unique\_name defined by the cloud)
- Delete the DB with the drop command (not using cloud tooling)
- Copy passwordfile
- Prepare the new init file (avoid copying parameters from on-premises)
- Copy/create TDE wallet
- Setup SQL\*Net communication
- Instantiate standby database (RESTORE FROM SERVICE/DUPLICATE)
- Configure broker and enable configuration
- Validate Switchover, Snapshot Standby, Client failover
- Monitor MAA score (ORAchk for DBCS, exachk for ExaCS)
- Monitor DG health: Monitoring a Data Guard Configuration (Doc ID 2064281.1)
- Extend configuration with FAR\_SYNC and FSFO
- Hybrid Data Guard steps also work for manual DG setup in cloud in general



## **Patching**



- Control plane does not support automatic patching of primary and standby
- Cloud tooling understands the role of the database
  - To patch a Data Guard environment (Cloud control plane setup or manual):
    - 1. Patch standby first, tooling will not try to run datapatch, it will succeed
    - 2. Patch primary, tooling runs datapatch, changes will be applied to standby
    - 3. Patches on RAC are always rolling (no downtime)
  - To patch a Data Guard environment non-RAC with minimum downtime:
    - 1. Patch standby first, tooling will not try to run datapatch, it will succeed
    - 2. Switchover to standby
    - 3. Patch old primary, tooling will not try to run datapatch, it will succeed
    - 4. Finish patching manually by calling datapatch manually on primary

#### **Hybrid Cloud: Data Guard - read more**



Hybrid Data Guard to Oracle Cloud Infrastructure Production Database on Premises and Disaster Recovery with DBaaS BM or VM shapes in Oracle Cloud Infrastructure <a href="https://www.oracle.com/technetwork/database/availability/hybrid-dg-to-oci-5444327.pdf">https://www.oracle.com/technetwork/database/availability/hybrid-dg-to-oci-5444327.pdf</a>

Disaster Recovery using Exadata Cloud On-Premises Primary to Standby in Exadata Cloud Service or Gen 2 Exadata Cloud at Customer <a href="https://www.oracle.com/a/tech/docs/hybrid-data-guard-to-exaoci-update-gen2-exacc-exacs.pdf">https://www.oracle.com/a/tech/docs/hybrid-data-guard-to-exaoci-update-gen2-exacc-exacs.pdf</a>

Best Practices for Corruption Detection, Prevention, and Automatic Repair - in a Data Guard Configuration (Doc ID 1302539.1)

https://support.oracle.com/epmos/faces/DocumentDisplay?id=1302539.1

Oracle Data Guard Best Practices

https://docs.oracle.com/en/database/oracle/oracle-database/19/haovw/oracle-data-guard-best-practices.html



#### **Hybrid Cloud: GoldenGate**

Migration to the Oracle Cloud with an Oracle GoldenGate Hub Configuration
<a href="https://www.oracle.com/a/tech/docs/maa-database-migration-to-oci-with-a-goldengate-hub.pdf">https://www.oracle.com/a/tech/docs/maa-database-migration-to-oci-with-a-goldengate-hub.pdf</a>



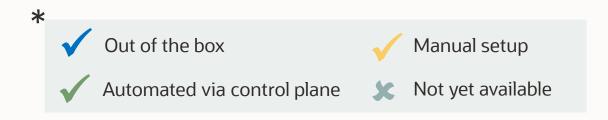
# **Additional Information**

Maximum Availability Architecture



# **Cloud MAA configuration**

	RMAN		RAC	DATA GUARD				
	Auto Backup	Backup Replicas	Standby Backup	App Services	Auto DG Config	Auto Failover	Cross Region	Auto Patching
ExaCS	<b>√</b>	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>
ExaCC	$\checkmark$				<b>√</b>		<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>
DBCS VM RAC	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	<b>√</b>	$\checkmark$	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>
ADB-S	$\checkmark$	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	$\checkmark$	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	æ	<b>√</b>
ADB-D	$\checkmark$	x	<b>√</b>	$\checkmark$	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	$\checkmark$





#### **Additional Information: GoldenGate setup**

#### GoldenGate can be set up:

- Manually for on-premises, hybrid and cloud architectures
- Using GoldenGate OCI marketplace to leverage GoldenGate Hub when replicating between 2 databases in the cloud
  - Round-trip latency between GoldenGate Hub and replication target must be <2 ms</li>

Using Oracle GoldenGate on Oracle Cloud Marketplace <a href="https://docs.oracle.com/en/middleware/goldengate/core/19.1/oggmp/getting-started-oracle-goldengate-oracle-cloud-marketplace.html">https://docs.oracle.com/en/middleware/goldengate/core/19.1/oggmp/getting-started-oracle-goldengate-oracle-cloud-marketplace.html</a>

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Oracle Maximum Availability Architecture (MAA) GoldenGate Hub <a href="https://www.oracle.com/a/tech/docs/maa-goldengate-hub.pdf">https://www.oracle.com/a/tech/docs/maa-goldengate-hub.pdf</a>



#### Additional Information: read more

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MAA Best Practices - Oracle Database <a href="https://www.oracle.com/database/technologies/high-availability/oracle-database-maa-best-practices.html">https://www.oracle.com/database/technologies/high-availability/oracle-database-maa-best-practices.html</a>

MAA Best Practices - Exadata Database Machine <a href="https://www.oracle.com/database/technologies/high-availability/exadata-maa-best-practices.html">https://www.oracle.com/database/technologies/high-availability/exadata-maa-best-practices.html</a>

MV2OCI: move data to Oracle Cloud Database in "one-click" (Doc ID 2514026.1) <a href="https://support.oracle.com/epmos/faces/DocumentDisplay?id=2514026.1">https://support.oracle.com/epmos/faces/DocumentDisplay?id=2514026.1</a>

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Continuous Availability Best Practices for Applications Using Autonomous Database - Dedicated <a href="https://www.oracle.com/technetwork/database/options/clustering/applicationcontinuity/continuous-service-for-apps-on-atpd-5486113.pdf">https://www.oracle.com/technetwork/database/options/clustering/applicationcontinuity/continuous-service-for-apps-on-atpd-5486113.pdf</a>



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