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## **Preface**

### **Intended Audience**

Welcome to Release 12.1.0.4.0 of the *Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite Guide*.

This book is intended for database administrators and system administrators who are responsible for performing the tasks associated with maintaining an Oracle E-Business Suite system using the Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite.

See Related Information Sources on page xii for more Oracle E-Business Suite product information.

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- 1 Introduction to the Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite
- 2 Installing and Upgrading the Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite
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#### **Related Information Sources**

#### Oracle E-Business Suite System Administrator's Guide Documentation Set

For Oracle E-Business Suite Releases 11i and 12, this documentation set provides planning and reference information for the Oracle E-Business Suite System Administrator. Oracle E-Business Suite System Administrator's Guide - Configuration contains information on system configuration steps, including defining concurrent programs and managers, enabling Oracle Applications Manager features, and setting up printers and online help. Oracle E-Business Suite System Administrator's Guide - Maintenance provides information for frequent tasks such as monitoring your system with Oracle Applications Manager, managing concurrent managers and reports, using diagnostic utilities, managing profile options, and using alerts. Oracle E-Business Suite System Administrator's Guide - Security describes User Management, data security, function security, auditing, and security configurations.

For Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2, refer to the *Oracle E-Business Suite Setup Guide*, *Oracle E-Business Suite Maintenance Guide* and *Oracle E-Business Suite Security Guide*.

#### Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control Introduction

This manual introduces Oracle Enterprise Manager. It provides a brief overview of the system architecture and describes the key features of the product. The manual also details new features in this release.

#### Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control Basic Installation Guide

This guide enables you to begin the installation of a new Enterprise Manager system.

## Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control Advanced Installation and Configuration Guide

Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control Advanced Installation and Configuration Guide is an extension to Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control Basic Installation Guide. While the Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control Basic Installation Guide covers basic installation procedures that help you get started with Enterprise Manager Cloud Control, the Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control Advanced Installation and Configuration Guide covers advanced installation procedures that help you install and configure the Enterprise Manager Cloud Control components in more complex environments.

#### Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control Upgrade Guide

This guide describes how you can upgrade an existing Enterprise Manager 10*g* Grid Control Release 5 (10.2.0.5.0) or Enterprise Manager 11*g* Grid Control Release 1 (11.1.0.1.0) to Enterprise Manager Cloud Control 12*c*.

#### Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control Administrator's Guide

This guide describes how to set up a Private Cloud, manage and deploy virtualization targets with Oracle Enterprise Manager 12*c*.

#### Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Administration Guide

This guide describes how to set up a Private Cloud, manage and deploy virtualization targets with Oracle Enterprise Manager 12*c*.

#### Oracle Enterprise Manager Lifecycle Management Administrator's Guide

The Lifecycle Management Guide introduces you to the lifecycle management solutions offered by Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control (Cloud Control) and describes in detail how you can use the discovery, provisioning, patching, and configuration and compliance management features to manage your data center.

## Do Not Use Database Tools to Modify Oracle E-Business Suite Data

Oracle STRONGLY RECOMMENDS that you never use SQL\*Plus, Oracle Data Browser, database triggers, or any other tool to modify Oracle E-Business Suite data unless otherwise instructed.

Oracle provides powerful tools you can use to create, store, change, retrieve, and maintain information in an Oracle database. But if you use Oracle tools such as SQL\*Plus to modify Oracle E-Business Suite data, you risk destroying the integrity of your data and you lose the ability to audit changes to your data.

Because Oracle E-Business Suite tables are interrelated, any change you make using an Oracle E-Business Suite form can update many tables at once. But when you modify Oracle E-Business Suite data using anything other than Oracle E-Business Suite, you may change a row in one table without making corresponding changes in related tables. If your tables get out of synchronization with each other, you risk retrieving erroneous information and you risk unpredictable results throughout Oracle E-Business Suite.

When you use Oracle E-Business Suite to modify your data, Oracle E-Business Suite automatically checks that your changes are valid. Oracle E-Business Suite also keeps track of who changes information. If you enter information into database tables using

database tools, you may store invalid information. You also lose the ability to track who has changed your information because SQL\*Plus and other database tools do not keep a record of changes.

## Introduction to the Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite

This chapter covers the following topics:

Overview

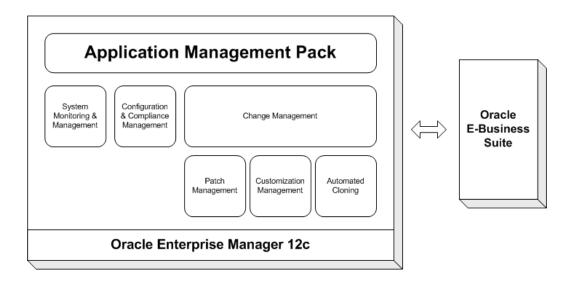
#### Overview

The Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite is built on top of the Oracle Enterprise Manager 12c Cloud Control platform to deliver monitoring capabilities for managing Oracle E-Business Suite systems more effectively.

For licensing purposes, this product is combined with the Real User Experience Insight and sold as Application Management Suite (AMS) for Oracle E-Business Suite.

The Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite is also known as Oracle E-Business Suite plug-in.

Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control provides a complete view of your enterprise so that you can manage all of your Oracle E-Business Suite systems from a single console. This pack provides new pages within Cloud Control that help you monitor the performance, availability, and configuration changes of your Oracle E-Business Suite system and also help you provision your Oracle E-Business Suite applications. You can take advantage of advanced Cloud Control features such as the provisioning framework.



The Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite provides advanced features to monitor and manage Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12 systems (Releases 12.1.x and 12.2.x) as well as Release 11*i* systems that meet a standard interoperability patch level. These advanced features include Oracle E-Business Suite Provisioning, System Monitoring, Oracle E-Business Suite Services and Technology Stack Management, Compliance & Configuration Management, Patch Management, Customization Management, and Cloning.

**Note:** Please refer to My Oracle Support Knowledge Document 1954099.1, Getting Started with Oracle Application Management Pack (AMP) for Oracle E-Business Suite, Release 12.1.0.4.0, for additional patches required for your system.

### Information About the Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite **Deployment**

For release level information about the deployment of Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite on your system, navigate to **Setup** menu > Extensibility >Plug-ins. Under the Applications section, click on the Oracle E-Business Suite plug-in.

## **Installing and Upgrading the Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite**

This chapter covers the following topics:

- Introduction
- Supported Versions
- Prerequisites
- Downloading the Plug-in
- Deploying the Plug-in
- Installing a Management Agent
- **Discovering Targets**
- Metrics Collected by the Plug-in
- Upgrading the Plug-in
- Undeploying the Plug-in

#### Introduction

The Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite extends Oracle Enterprise Manager 12c Cloud Control to help monitor and manage Oracle E-Business Suite systems more effectively. This plug-in integrates Oracle Applications Manager with Cloud Control to provide a consolidated, end-to-end Oracle E-Business Suite management solution. The plug-in can be used to manage both Oracle E-Business Suite Release 11*i* systems and Release 12 systems.

## **Supported Versions**

For a list of supported versions, see My Oracle Support Knowledge Document 1954099.1, Getting Started with Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite, Release 12.1.0.4.0.

## **Prerequisites**

For a list of prerequisites, see My Oracle Support Knowledge Document 1954099.1, Getting Started with Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite, Release 12.1.0.4.0.

#### **Additional Instructions**

Ensure that the following OS/User Group requirement has been met: It is recommended that the Oracle E-Business Suite OS user and the Enterprise Manager Agent OS user are the same. If they are different, then they must belong to the same OS group.

## **Downloading the Plug-in**

You can download plug-ins in online or offline mode. Online mode refers to an environment where you have Internet connectivity and can download the plug-in directly through Enterprise Manager from My Oracle Support. Offline mode refers to an environment where you do not have Internet connectivity or where the plug-in is not available from My Oracle Support.

See the Managing Plug-ins chapter in the Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control *Administrator's Guide* for details on downloading the plug-in in either mode:

http://docs.oracle.com/cd/E24628 01/doc.121/e24473/plugin mngr.htm#CHDBG HFE

The following details of the Oracle E-Business Suite plug-in can be used for searching in the Self Update feature of the Enterprise Manager console:

```
Plug-in Name: Oracle E-Business Suite
Description: Enterprise Manager for Oracle E-Business Suite consists of
System Management and Change Management Feature Sets
Version: 12.1.0.4.0
```

## **Deploying the Plug-in**

You can deploy the plug-in to an Oracle Management Service instance using the Enterprise Manager Cloud Control console, or using the EM Command Line Interface (EM CLI). While the console enables you to deploy one plug-in at a time, the command line interface mode enables you to deploy multiple plug-ins at a time, thus saving plug-in deployment time and downtime, if applicable.

See the "Managing Plug-ins" chapter in the Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control *Administrator's Guide* for instructions on deploying the plug-in:

http://docs.oracle.com/cd/E24628 01/doc.121/e24473/plugin mngr.htm#CJGCD HFG

## Installing a Management Agent

A Management Agent must be present on all hosts containing targets that will be monitored/managed by the plug-in.

This step is required only if a Management Agent is not already present on a host containing targets to be managed.

See the "Installing Oracle Management Agents" chapter in the Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control Basic Installation Guide for instructions on deploying a Management Agent to a host machine:

http://docs.oracle.com/cd/E24628 01/install.121/e22624/install agent.htm

## **Discovering Targets**

After the plug-in is deployed, targets that will be managed/monitored by the plug-in must be "discovered" by Enterprise Manager.

For information on discovery, see the chapter Discovering Oracle E-Business Suite with Cloud Control, page 4-1.

## Metrics Collected by the Plug-in

See the Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite Metric Reference Manual.

## Upgrading the Plug-in

The Self Update feature allows you to expand Enterprise Manager's capabilities by updating Enterprise Manager components whenever new or updated features become available. Updated plug-ins are made available through the Enterprise Manager Store, an external site that is periodically checked by Enterprise Manager Cloud Control to obtain information about updates ready for download. See the "Updating Cloud Control" chapter in the Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control Administrator's Guide for steps to update the plug-in:

http://docs.oracle.com/cd/E24628 01/doc.121/e24473/self update.htm#EMADM 13221

Note that if you had installed the plug-in on an agent without a discovered Oracle E-Business Suite target, the plug-in will not be upgraded on that agent. For example, say in Release 4.0 you had installed the plug-in on an agent exclusively for performing check-in and check-out from source control for Customization Manager. There is no Oracle E-Business Suite target that is being monitored by this agent. During an upgrade to Release 12.1.0.4.0, this agent will not be upgraded to this latest release. You will have to upgrade this agent manually from the Oracle Management Service user interface.

**Note:** For a list of supported upgrade paths, refer to My Oracle Support Knowledge Document 1954099.1, Getting Started with Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite, Release 12.1.0.4.0.

#### **Considerations for Cloning and Upgrades**

Only Smart Clone procedures are supported in this release. As a prerequisite to running a Smart Clone procedure, the target Oracle E-Business Suite database must be cloned and discovered in the Enterprise Manager.

Clone transaction data created in previous releases will not be usable in this release. After you upgrade from an earlier release, the old cloning transactions will not be available.

#### Considerations for Patch Manager and Upgrades

Before upgrading from a prior release, you should ensure that all patching runs have completed or are in a state in which they are no longer being used. After the upgrade to Release 12.1.0.4.0, these old patch runs will no longer be visible in Patch Manager. For example, say you have a patch run in a "Pending Approval" or "Approved" state in Release 4.0. After you upgrade, you will not be able to use this patch run.

## Considerations for Upgrading from Release 3.1 or 4.0

Note the following considerations and limitations for upgrades.

#### **Deleting an Instance**

If you are deleting an Oracle E-Business Suite instance after an upgrade, Oracle recommends you delete the retired targets associated with the instance. Delete these retired targets manually from the All Targets page before running discovery again later. The target types are:

- Oracle E-Business Suite System
- Oracle Applications Infrastructure Service

**Note:** You must delete these manually in the current release. In a future release this deletion will be handled automatically.

Oracle also recommends that you delete the report associated with Oracle Applications

Infrastructure Service. To do this, perform the following steps:

- 1. From the Enterprise menu, select **Reports/Information Publisher Reports**.
- 2. Search using the search term Target Type "Oracle Applications Infrastructure Service".
- 3. From under Oracle Applications Dashboards/Oracle Applications Service Dashboards, select <Oracle E-Business Suite instance name>-Oracle Applications Infrastructure Service Dashboard and click the **Delete** button.

#### Properties in amp.properties file replaced by Preferences

The amp.properties file is obsolete with this release of the Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite.

The following properties are obsolete:

- ebs\_acp\_packAccessEnabled
- enableRoleBasedSecurity
- enableApproval\_CM
- enableApproval\_AZ
- enableApproval\_PM
- targetLevelPrivilegeForApproval

The following properties must be set manually in the Preferences page after the upgrade:

- stageDir (Stage Directory) This property/preference is used by Customization Manager and specifies the OMS stage directory for package creation.
- ampCloneApplTopParallelThreads (Number of threads to be used while zipping, transferring, and unzipping the files under APPL\_TOP of Apps Tier)
- ampCloneToolsParallelThreads (Number of threads to be used while zipping, transferring, and unzipping the files under Tools home of Apps Tier)
- ampCloneWebParallelThreads (Number of threads to be used while zipping, transferring, and unzipping the files under Web home of Apps Tier)
- ampCloneCommonTopParallelThreads (Number of threads to be used while zipping, transferring, and unzipping the files under COMMON\_TOP of Apps Tier)
- um\_dashboard\_no\_of\_rows (Number of Rows in tables of User Monitoring)

- um\_session\_sampling\_interval (Sampling Interval for User Monitoring)
- omsPatchStageDir (OMS Patch Stage Directory Location)
- MOSEnabled/metalinkEnabled (Connect to My Oracle Support for Patches)

#### Security using Enterprise Manager Privileges and Roles

Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite now uses the native Enterprise Manager privileges and roles. As noted above, the amp.properties file is obsolete, so its security-related properties are no longer used. See Privileges and Roles for Managing Oracle E-Business Suite, page 7-1 for more information on managing security.

## **Undeploying the Plug-in**

See the "Managing Plug-ins" chapter in the *Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control Administrator's Guide* for steps to undeploy the plug-in:

http://docs.oracle.com/cd/E24628\_01/doc.121/e24473/plugin\_mngr.htm#CJGEF ADI

## Getting Started with the Oracle Application **Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite**

This chapter covers the following topics:

- **Getting Started**
- Oracle E-Business Suite Management Page

## **Getting Started**

Once the Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite, or plug-in, has successful deployed on the OMS, you can go to the landing page (called the Oracle E-Business Suite Management page henceforth) of the plug-in by selecting Oracle E-Business Suite from the Targets menu.



## **Oracle E-Business Suite Management Page**

The Oracle E-Business Suite Management page gives you a bird's eye view of all the Oracle E-Business Suite instances that are being monitored. This view includes status, incidents, compliance, and so on. The page has the following sections:

## Status of Oracle E-Business Suite Targets

This section shows the status summary of Oracle E-Business Suite targets being monitored. The pie charts show how many are up, down, or in unknown status.

#### **Incidents and Problems**

This section has the summary of incidents reported from all the Oracle E-Business Suite targets being monitored. The incidents are grouped based on category and severity.

#### **Oracle E-Business Suite Instances**

This section lists the Oracle E-Business Suite instances that are already discovered. The status column tells you if the instance is up or down. You can perform the following actions:

- Go to the home page of an Oracle E-Business Suite instance by clicking on the name of the instance.
- Discover a new Oracle E-Business Suite instance by clicking **Add**.

- Delete an Oracle E-Business Suite instance which is already discovered by clicking Delete.
- Configure how an Oracle E-Business Suite instance is being monitored by clicking Configure.

**Tip:** Use the **Detach** button to view the table in a separate page. This feature is useful if your table has more rows than can be shown in the default display.

#### Compliance Summary

This section lists the compliance standards that are shipped by the Oracle E-Business Suite plug-in along with the evaluations performed and violations reported. The Average Compliance score is an indication on how much compliant all the Oracle E-Business Suite instances are to each specific standard.

Oracle Enterprise Manager Compliance Management provides the ability to evaluate the compliance of targets and systems as they relate to business best practices for configuration, security, and storage. This is accomplished by defining, customizing, and managing compliance frameworks, compliance standards, and compliance standard rules. In addition, Compliance Management provides advice of how to change configuration to bring your targets and systems into compliance. Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite includes the Oracle E-Business Suite Framework for use with Compliance Management. For more information on Compliance Management, refer to the Oracle Enterprise Manager Lifecycle Management Administrator's Guide.

## Least Compliant Targets

This section lists the Oracle E-Business Suite targets that are least compliant across all standards. The default Target Type shown is Host. The Average Compliance score is an indicator of how compliant the specific Oracle E-Business Suite instances are to standards.

## Navigating from the Oracle E-Business Suite Management Page

You can navigate to the following pages from the Oracle E-Business Suite Management page through the Administer menu.

- Change Management
- Preferences
- Discovery Wizard

- Pack Diagnostics
- Cloning
- Instance Administration



## **Discovering Oracle E-Business Suite with Cloud Control**

This chapter covers the following topics:

- Preparatory Steps for Discovery
- Using the Discovery Wizard
- Additional Features of Discovery
- Command-Line Discovery for Oracle E-Business Suite Systems
- Rediscovering an Oracle E-Business Suite Instance
- Deleting an Oracle E-Business Suite Instance

## **Preparatory Steps for Discovery**

## Privileges Needed to Perform Discovery

To discover an Oracle E-Business Suite instance, a user must have the "Add Any Target" target type privilege.

## **Prerequisites to Perform Discovery**

- The Oracle E-Business Suite database must be discovered in Enterprise Manager Cloud Control.
- The hosts on which the Oracle E-Business Suite is deployed must be discovered in Enterprise Manager Cloud Control.
- AutoConfig must be enabled and updated on all nodes in order for Oracle E-Business Suite systems to be properly recognized by Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite. Refer to the applicable

#### documentation:

- My Oracle Support Knowledge Document 165195.1, Using AutoConfig to Manage System Configurations with Oracle Applications 11i
- My Oracle Support Knowledge Document 387859.1, Using AutoConfig to Manage System Configurations in Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12
- Oracle E-Business Suite Setup Guide for Release 12.2, Technical Configuration chapter

**Note:** For an AutoConfig-enabled Oracle E-Business Suite Release 11*i* instance, running AutoConfig on the database tier adds the following lines to sqlnet.ora automatically:

```
tcp.validnode_checking = yes
tcp.invited nodes=(11i HOST)
```

In this case, database discovery or application discovery through Oracle Enterprise Manager will fail because the Oracle E-Business Suite instance database tier listener will reject any connection requests other than from itself. To prevent this failure, add the Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control server to sqlnet ifile.ora as shown below and bounce the database listener before discovery using Oracle Enterprise Manager.

```
tcp.invited_nodes=(11i_HOST, EMGC_HOST)
```

## **Using the Discovery Wizard**

An Oracle E-Business Suite instance is discovered using the Discovery Wizard. It allows you to validate, track, plan, log, and customize the Oracle E-Business Suite discovery processes.

To access the Discovery Wizard, on the Oracle E-Business Suite Management page select Discovery Wizard from the Administer menu.



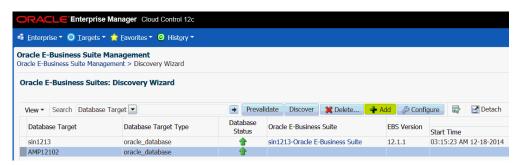
#### **Setting credentials for discovery:**

Starting with Release 12.1.0.4.0, the Discovery Wizard requires named credentials to perform discovery. You can choose an existing named credential or you can create a new one during the discovery process. If you create a new named credential, you must first save it before it can be used.

#### Adding an Oracle E-Business Suite database:

The database should be discovered before you add the database using the Discovery Wizard. Refer to the Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control Administrator's Guide for information on discovering the Oracle E-Business Suite database.

- From the Administer menu, navigate to the Discovery Wizard.
- Click on the **Add** button.



- Select the Oracle E-Business Suite database target.
- Once added, the database target shows up in the Discovery Wizard. You can now proceed to discover the Oracle E-Business Suite instance.

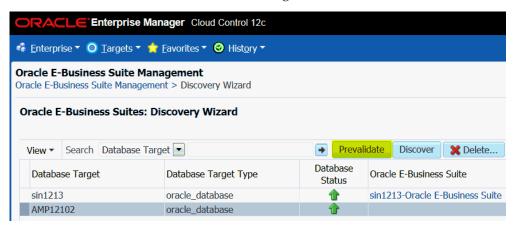
#### Prevalidating discovery:

Prevalidation allows you to analyze the Oracle E-Business Suite instance and Enterprise Manager Cloud Control to ensure successful discovery. Validation checks include verifying the following:

- Context files
- Context variables
- Agent installation
- OS user privileges

For more information on these checks, see: Prevalidation Checks for Discovery, page B-1.

- 1. To prevalidate discovery, go to the Discovery Wizard.
- 2. Select the Oracle E-Business Suite database target and click on **Prevalidate**.



- 3. Select the named credential for the monitoring schema.
- 4. Click on Set so that it becomes the default for all Oracle E-Business Suite instances.

**Note:** If needed, this can be overridden at the individual instance level.

- 5. Click **Prevalidate Discovery**.
- **6**. A job will be submitted to prevalidate the discovery.

The Diagnostics Status column in the Discovery Wizard shows the status of prevalidation as a link. You can drill down to get the details. A detailed report will

be generated that can be used to resolve any issues.

#### **Discovering Oracle E-Business Suite:**

- Navigate to the Discovery Wizard.
- Select the Oracle E-Business Suite database target and click on Discover. 2.
- Choose the named credential for monitoring schema.
- Click on **Set** so that it becomes the default for all Oracle E-Business Suite instances.

**Note:** If needed, this can be overridden at the individual instance level.

- 5. Click Next.
- This section of the Discovery Wizard will show up only if you have selected an Oracle E-Business Suite instance that features online patching, otherwise the wizard will go to the review section.
- 7. Select the named credential for WebLogic Administration Server.
- Click on **Set** so that it becomes the default for all Oracle E-Business Suite instances.

**Note:** If needed, this can be overridden at the individual instance level.

- 9. Select the named credential to set the **Normal Host Preferred Credentials** of the host where the patch edition administration server is running.
  - This is needed to start the patch edition admin server, in case it is down. If it is down, it will be brought up for discovery and then shut down once the discovery is done.
  - This is not needed for those instances where the patch edition admin server is already up or the Normal Host Preferred Credentials are already set.
  - If this host has an alias name in the Oracle E-Business Suite context files, then you must perform host aliasing before starting the discovery. See: Mapping an Aliased Host, page 4-11.

10. Click on **Set** so that it becomes the default for all Oracle E-Business Suite instances.

**Note:** If needed, this can be overridden at the individual instance level.

- 11. Click **Next** to go to the review section.
- 12. Review the details to ensure they are correct. A separate section is displayed for Oracle E-Business Suite instances that feature online patching.
- 13. Click Submit.
- 14. A job will be submitted per Oracle E-Business Suite instance to perform the discovery.

**Note:** For an Oracle E-Business Suite instance that features online patching, both run and patch edition targets will be discovered, but only run edition targets will be shown in the UI. Patch edition targets will be blacked out immediately after discovery to prevent false incidents from being raised.

#### Tracking the discovery job:

The Discovery Job Status column in the Discovery Wizard will show the status of discovery as a link. You can drill down to get the details. If the discovery fails, the Error Log column will provide you the details of the error.

## **Additional Features of Discovery**

## Discovering Oracle E-Business Suite as EM\_MONITOR user (Recommended)

Oracle E-Business Suite can be discovered and monitored using an EM\_MONITOR user which has read-only access to Oracle E-Business Suite tables required for monitoring. By default, the EM\_MONITOR user is locked. A user would have to unlock it explicitly to use it.

Connect to the database through SQL\*Plus as the SYSTEM user and issue the command:

alter user em monitor account unlock;

Reset the password using the command:

alter user em monitor identified by <new password>

#### Discovering Oracle E-Business Suite as any database user (such as DBSNMP)

Oracle E-Business Suite can be discovered and monitored using any database user, provided the user has been granted the EM OAM MONITOR ROLE. This role is provided with read-only access to Oracle E-Business Suite tables required for monitoring.

#### Troubleshooting discovery

If anything goes wrong with the discovery, you must check the discovery log to troubleshoot. It is available at:

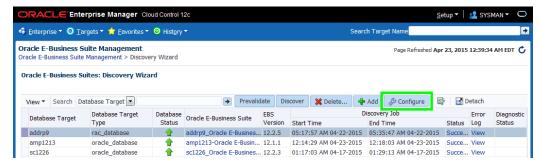
\$<MIDDLEWARE\_HOME>/oms/sysman/log/ebsDiscovery\_<DBSID>\_oracle\_database.1

#### **Restrictions for Discovery**

- If you are using Oracle E-Business Suite's Online Patching feature and you have an active patching cycle in progress, you must wait until it completes before attempting to discover an Oracle E-Business Suite instance.
- If you are using Oracle E-Business Suite's Online Patching feature and if a node is abandoned, you cannot perform a discovery. You must customize the discovery and exclude that node from being discovered.
- You cannot discover two Oracle E-Business Suite instances with the same name.

## **Customizing discovery**

It is possible to customize the discovery. You can exclude the discovery of certain targets and services. To customize the discovery of an Oracle E-Business Suite instance, select the instance and click on the **Configure** button in the Discovery Wizard.



You will be prompted to enter the monitoring schema named credentials for the database. Either choose an existing named credential or create a new one. Click Next.

#### **Customization at the Instance Level**

The following table explains the different options available for you.

#### Options for Customizing Discovery

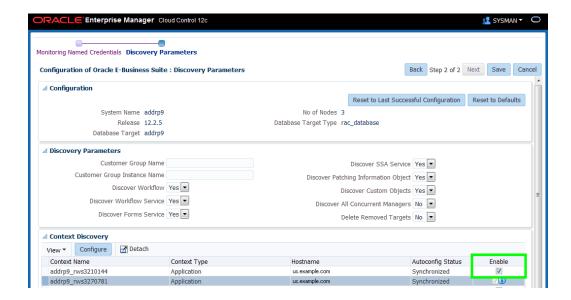
Parameter	eter Description	
Customer Group Name	All targets discovered for this instance will be grouped under this group. This group will be added to Group: Customer Group Name.	All Releases
Customer Instance Group Name	If the Customer Instance Group Name is provided, then all the targets discovered for this instance and the Customer Instance Group Name will be added to this group.	All Releases
Discover Discoverer	Disable/Enable discovery of the Discoverer component.	Release 11i only
Discover Workflow	Disable/Enable discovery of the Oracle Workflow components.	All Releases
Discover Workflow Service	Disable/Enable creation of the Oracle Workflow service. If you do not discover workflow targets, then the workflow service will not be discovered.	Release 12 and Above
Discover Forms Service	Disable/Enable creation of the Oracle Forms service.	Release 12 and above
Discover SSA Service	Disable/Enable creation of the Self-Service Applications (SSA) Service.	Release 12 and above
Discover Patching Information	Disable/Enable discovery of the Patching Information Object. This target is essential for any Oracle E-Business Suite patching application and should be enabled if any patching applications are used with this instance.	Release 12 and above
Discover Custom Objects	Disable/Enable discovery of custom object configurations.	Release 12 and above

Parameter	Description	Applicable Oracle E-Business Suite Releases
Discover All Concurrent Managers	Discover all concurrent managers during discovery. This will be set to No by default.	All Releases
Delete Removed Targets	Whether to delete an Oracle E-Business Suite member target from OMS which was originally discovered and later detached from the Oracle E-Business Suite target hierarchy with a rediscovery.	All Releases
	For example, say you have discovered an Oracle E-Business Suite instance with five nodes. Later you customize the discovery and exclude two nodes. When you perform rediscovery, the two excluded nodes become orphan nodes. If this option is set to Yes, then the orphan targets will be deleted during rediscovery.	

### Excluding nodes from getting discovered

The Configuration of Oracle E-Business Suite: Discovery Parameters page lists all the nodes in the section Context Discovery. You can exclude a node from being discovered by deselecting the check box corresponding to the node in the Enable column. At least one applications node must be selected for successful discovery. Discovery can happen even if you do not select a database node.

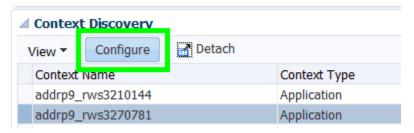
For Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2, you cannot exclude a node if the WebLogic Administration Server is running on that node.



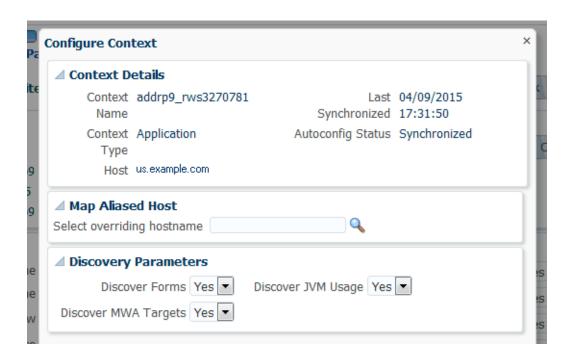
Note: If the Oracle E-Business Suite features Online Patching, it is possible that a few nodes can be in an abandoned state. If the system detects an abandoned node, an additional column will appear in the above section named "Abandoned." You must exclude that node before discovery.

#### Customization at the node level

You can also configure the targets that are discovered in each node. Select the node in the Context Discovery section and click on Configure.



In the pop-up window that appears, you can customize the configuration.



#### Customization at the application node level

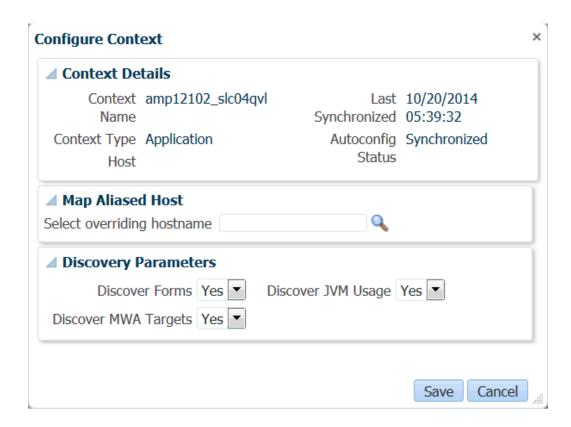
You can exclude Forms, Mobile Web Applications, and the Apps JVM from being discovered in Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.

> Note: If the Oracle E-Business Suite instance features Online Patching, make sure that the Oracle E-Business Suite host where the WebLogic admin server is running can be pinged from the OMS host.

#### Mapping an aliased host

A host which is uniquely identified by an IP address can have different alias names in the network. It is possible that the Oracle E-Business Suite context file has one host name while it has been discovered in Cloud Control with a different alias name. In such a situation, you must map the host name available in the context file to the corresponding host name with which it has been discovered. This can be done by configuring the discovery for each node.

The Map Aliased Host section in the Configure Context pop-up window serves this purpose where you can provide the overriding host name. A list of values is shown from which you can select the appropriate host which can be mapped to the host in which this node is running. This feature is restricted to discovery and monitoring only.



#### Resetting the customization

From the Configure Discovery page, you can reset your customization to the default or you can reset it to the last configuration with which discovery was completed successfully.

#### **Deleting the customization**

You may need to delete the customization in the event that you delete an Oracle E-Business Suite instance and run discovery again. If you do not delete the customization, the customized instance will be discovered instead of the default.

In the Discovery Wizard, delete a customization by selecting the customization row you would like to remove and click the **Delete** button.

# Command-Line Discovery for Oracle E-Business Suite Systems

The Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite provides a command-line interface for the batch discovery of multiple Oracle E-Business Suite systems. This feature uses Enterprise Manager Command Line Interface (EM CLI). See the Enterprise Manager Center Command Line Interface to understand more about EM CLI.

#### **Prerequisites**

- EM CLI must be installed. See the section "Downloading and Deploying the EMC CLI Client for Standard EM CLI" in the Enterprise Manager Command Line Interface guide.
- Set up EM CLI. See the section Getting Started with EM CLI in the Enterprise Manager Command Line Interface guide.
- Log in to your Oracle Management Server (OMS).
- Synchronize the EM CLI client with OMS.

### Discovering Oracle E-Business Suite instances

An EM CLI verb by the name discover ebs must be used to discover Oracle E-Business Suite instances. The details of these instances must be provided as an XML file. See the appendix XML Schema to Discover Oracle E-Business Suite Using EM CLI, page F-2 for the schema with which the XML must be built and sample XML with comments included about each element.

You can provide default discovery parameters which will be applied for all Oracle E-Business Suite instances or you can provide parameters at individual instance levels which will also be given precedence.

**Note:** You can generate the XML from the schema using any IDE. Choose a depth of 8 or more, if you do so.

Execute the following command to perform the discovery:

```
./emcli discovery ebs-input file=ebs discovery file:<fully
qualified path of ebs_discovery_file.xml> -log_file=<fully
qualified path of log file>
```

The log file parameter is optional. If it is not provided, the system will generate its own and the path will be printed in the console. The log file contains separate sections for Oracle E-Business Suite instances where a job was submitted successfully and for those where the job was not submitted due to some error. You can track the successful submissions from the Enterprise Manager UI to monitor jobs using the Jobs IDs found in the log file.

## Rediscovering an Oracle E-Business Suite Instance

If the Oracle E-Business Suite configuration has changed after discovery, then you must rediscover the Oracle E-Business Suite instance so that such changes are reflected in Enterprise Manager. Examples of changes to the configuration are:

- A new node has been added
- A service, such as a concurrent processing service, has been enabled in a node

The steps for rediscovery are the same:

- Navigate to the Discovery Wizard.
- 2. Select the Oracle E-Business Suite database.
- 3. Click **Discover**.

# **Deleting an Oracle E-Business Suite Instance**

If you no longer want to monitor and manage an Oracle E-Business Suite instance, you can delete it. The steps are:

- 1. Go to the Oracle E-Business Suite Management page.
- Select the Oracle E-Business Suite instance from the section Oracle E-Business Suite Instances.
- 3. Click Delete.

By default, the system deletes application server targets (like the HTTP server, OC4J, and so on) when deleting the parent Oracle E-Business Suite target. If you do not want all the application server targets deleted, change the preference. For information on updating preferences, see: Setting Preferences, page 6-1.

# **Setting Credentials**

This chapter covers the following topics:

- Overview of Credentials
- Preferred Credentials for Oracle E-Business Suite Application Login
- Preferred Credentials for Oracle E-Business Suite Database Login
- Preferred Credentials for Oracle E-Business Suite Node
- Preferred Credentials for Oracle WebLogic Server
- Preferred Credentials for Host
- Setting Credentials if the Oracle E-Business Suite Instance Features Online Patching
- **Known Limitations**

### **Overview of Credentials**

The Enterprise Manager credential subsystem enables Enterprise Manager administrators to store credentials, in a secure manner, as preferences or operation credentials. The credentials can then be used to perform different system management activities, such as real-time monitoring, patching, provisioning, and other target administrative operations.

#### **Preferred Credentials**

Preferred credentials are used to simplify access to managed targets by storing target login credentials in the Management Repository. With a preferred credentials set, users can carry out administrative operations using the job system without being prompted to log in to the target. Preferred credentials are set on a per user basis, thus ensuring the security of the managed enterprise environment.

#### **Default Preferred Credentials**

Default preferred credentials can be set for a particular target type and will be available

for all the targets of the target type. It will be overridden by target preferred credentials.

#### **Target Preferred Credentials**

Target credentials are preferred credentials set for a particular target.

#### **Named Credentials**

To set a preferred credential, you must first create a named credential. Credentials are stored within Enterprise Manager as "named" entities. Administrators can define and store credentials within Enterprise Manager and refer to the credential by a credential name.

If only the senior DBAs have knowledge of higher privileged credentials like sys credentials for a database, they can store these credentials in a named credential and share the name with the junior administrators. Junior administrators can perform their jobs using the named credentials without knowing what the actual credentials are.

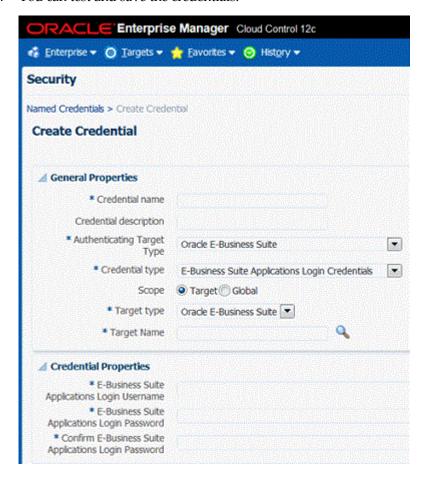
If the administrators have the same credentials for targets, they can create one named credential containing those credentials and share the name with appropriate personnel. This simplifies credential maintenance (changing passwords, for example) by eliminating the need to create several copies of named credentials containing the same credentials.

# **Preferred Credentials for Oracle E-Business Suite Application Login**

#### **Create named credential for Oracle E-Business Suite Application Login:**

- 1. Navigate to Setup menu >Security >Named Credentials and click on the Create button.
- **2.** Provide an appropriate name and description.
- 3. Select **Oracle E-Business Suite** from the Authenticating Target Type drop-down list.
- 4. Select E-Business Suite Applications Login Credential from the Credential Type drop-down list.
- **5**. Select the scope.
  - If you choose Global, this named credential will be applicable for all Oracle E-Business Suite targets.
  - If you choose Target:
    - Select Oracle E-Business Suite as the target type.

- Select the Oracle E-Business Suite for which this named credential is applicable.
- Enter the applications login user name and password in the credential properties.
- You can test and save the credentials.



#### **Set Preferred Credential for Oracle E-Business Suite Application Login:**

- Navigate to **Setup** menu **>Security >Preferred Credentials**.
- Select Oracle E-Business Suite.
- Click on Manage Preferred Credentials.

#### Set Default Preferred Credentials for Oracle E-Business Suite Application Login:

If you want to set a preferred credential for Oracle E-Business Suite Application Login

which is applicable for all Oracle E-Business Suite targets, go to the Default Preferred Credentials section.

- Select **AppsUserCredsSet** as the Credential Set.
- Click on Set.
- 3. Choose the named credentials. Only those named credentials with scope as "global" will appear in the list.
- 4. You can test and save the credentials.

#### Set Target Preferred Credentials for Oracle E-Business Suite Application Login:

If you want to set a preferred credential for Oracle E-Business Suite Application Login applicable only to a specific Oracle E-Business Suite target, go to the Target Preferred Credential section.

- Select the Oracle E-Business Suite instance.
- Select AppsUserCredsSet as Credential Set.
- 3. Click on Set.
- Choose the named credentials.
- **5.** You can test and save the credentials.

# Preferred Credentials for Oracle E-Business Suite Database Login

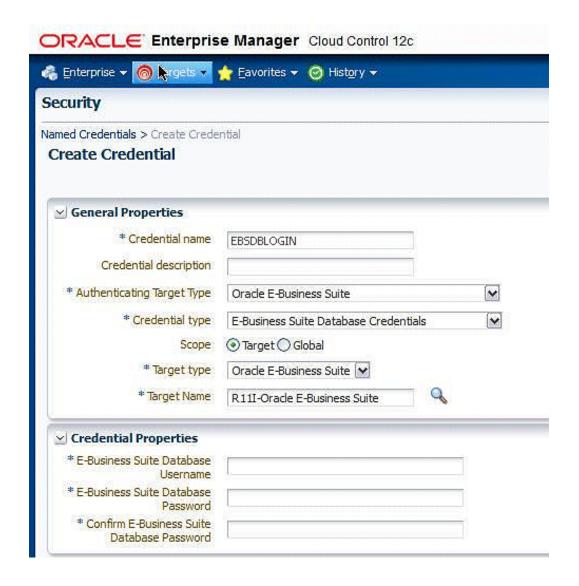
Preferred credentials for database login are needed if you are using Customization Manager or Patch Manager. You must set the preferred credentials for the APPS, APPLSYS, and SYSTEM schemas.

#### **Create named credential for Oracle E-Business Suite Database Login:**

- 1. Navigate to Setup menu > Security > Named Credentials and click on the **Create** button.
- 2. Provide an appropriate name and description.
- 3. Select **Oracle E-Business Suite** from the Authenticating Target Type drop-down list.
- 4. Select E-Business Database Credentials from the Credential Type drop-down list.
- **5**. Select the scope.

- If you choose Global, this named credential will be applicable for all Oracle E-Business Suite targets.
- If you choose Target:
  - Select Oracle E-Business Suite as the target type.
  - Select the Oracle E-Business Suite for which this named credential is applicable.
- Enter the schema name and password in credential properties.
- You can test and save the credentials.

Note: You must create three named credentials here: one for the APPS schema, one for the APPLSYS schema, and one for the SYSTEM schema.



#### Set preferred credential for Oracle E-Business Suite Database Login:

- Navigate to Setup menu >Security >Preferred Credentials.
- 2. Select Oracle E-Business Suite.
- 3. Click on Manage Preferred Credentials.

#### **Credential Sets for Oracle E-Business Suite Database Login:**

The following table lists the credential sets and the schemas they access:

Name	Schema
AppsDBCredsSet	To access the APPS schema
AppsSysDBCredsSet	To access the SYSTEM schema
ApplsysDBCredsSet	To access the APPLSYS schema

#### Set Default Preferred Credentials for Oracle E-Business Suite Database Login:

If you want to set a preferred credential for the Oracle E-Business Suite Application Database which is applicable for all Oracle E-Business Suite targets, go to the Default Preferred Credentials section.

- Select the Credential Set for the corresponding schema.
- Click on Set.
- Choose the named credentials and save. Only those named credentials with scope as "global" will appear in the list.

#### Set Target Preferred Credentials for Oracle E-Business Suite Database Login:

If you want to set a preferred credential for Oracle E-Business Suite Database Login applicable only to a specific Oracle E-Business Suite target, go to the Target Preferred Credential section.

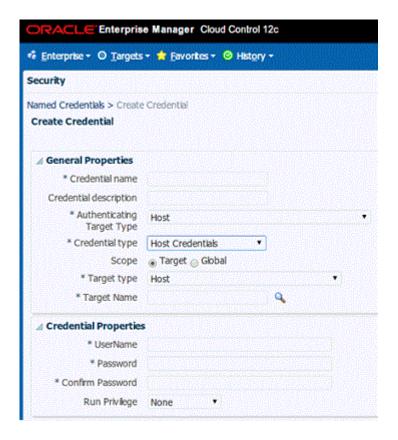
- Select the Oracle E-Business Suite instance.
- Select Credential Set for the corresponding schema.
- 3. Click on Set.
- Choose the named credentials.
- You can test and save the credentials.

# **Preferred Credentials for Oracle E-Business Suite Node**

Preferred credentials for nodes are needed if you are using Customization Manager or Patch Manager. You must set them for both the applications node and database node.

#### **Credentials:**

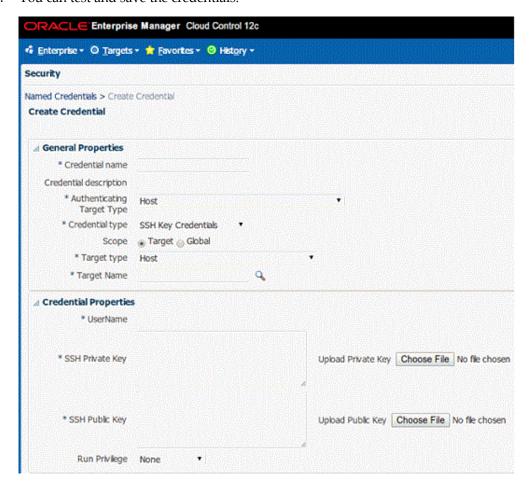
- 1. Navigate to Setup menu > Security > Named Credentials and click the Create button.
- Provide an appropriate name and description.
- Select **Host** from the Authenticating Target Type drop-down list.
- Select Host Credentials from the Credential Type drop-down list.
- **5**. Select the scope.
  - If you choose Global, this named credential will be applicable for all Oracle E-Business Suite Nodes.
  - If you choose Target:
    - Select Oracle E-Business Suite Node as the target type.
    - Select the Oracle E-Business Suite Node for which this named credential is applicable.
- Enter the user name and password in the credential properties.
- You can test and save the credentials.



#### Create named credential for Oracle E-Business Suite Node using SSH Key **Credentials:**

- Provide an appropriate name and description.
- Select **Host** from the Authenticating Target Type drop-down list. 2.
- Select **SSH Key Credentials** from the Credential Type drop-down list.
- Select the scope.
  - If you choose Global, this named credential will be applicable for all Oracle E-Business Suite Nodes.
  - If you choose Target:
    - Select Oracle E-Business Suite Node as the target type.
    - Select the Oracle E-Business Suite Node for which this named credential is applicable.
- Enter the user name and upload private and public keys.

**6.** You can test and save the credentials.



#### Set preferred credential for Oracle E-Business Suite Node:

- Navigate to **Setup** menu **>Security >Preferred Credentials**.
- Select Oracle E-Business Suite Node.
- Click on Manage Preferred Credentials.

#### Set Default Preferred Credentials for Oracle E-Business Suite Node:

If you want to set a preferred credential for Oracle E-Business Suite Node which is applicable for all Oracle E-Business Suite nodes, go to the Default Preferred Credentials section.

- 1. Select **OS Credentials** as Credential Set.
- 2. Click on Set.

- 3. Choose the named credentials. Only those named credentials with scope as "Global" will appear in the list.
- You can test and save the credentials.

#### **Set Target Preferred Credentials for Oracle E-Business Suite Node:**

If you want to set a preferred credential for Oracle E-Business Suite Node applicable only to a specific Oracle E-Business Suite Node, go to the Target Preferred Credential section.

- Select the Oracle E-Business Suite Node.
- Select **OS Credentials** for Credential Set.
- Click on Set.
- Choose the named credentials.
- You can test and save the credentials.

### Preferred Credentials for Oracle WebLogic Server

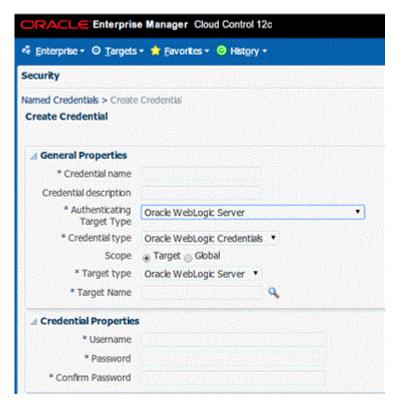
A preferred credential for Oracle WebLogic Server is needed if you are using Patch Manager. You must set it for the Admin server.

In addition, the WebLogic Administrator credentials must be set before you register a custom application on the patch edition in Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2.

#### Create named credential for Oracle WebLogic Server:

- Navigate to Setup menu >Security >Named Credentials and click on the Create button.
- Provide an appropriate name and description.
- Select Oracle WebLogic Server from the Authenticating Target Type drop-down
- Select Oracle WebLogic Credentials from the Credential Type drop-down list.
- Select the scope.
  - If you choose Global, then this named credential will be applicable for all WLS Servers.
  - If you choose Target:

- Select **Oracle WebLogic Server** as the target type.
- Select the Oracle WebLogic Admin Server for which this named credential is applicable.
- Enter the user name and password in the credential properties.
- You can test and save the credentials.



#### Set preferred credential for Oracle WebLogic Server:

- Navigate to **Setup** menu **>Security >Preferred Credentials**.
- Select Oracle WebLogic Server.
- Click on Manage Preferred Credentials.

#### Set Default Preferred Credentials for Oracle WebLogic Server:

If you want to set a preferred credential for Oracle WebLogic Server which is applicable for all Oracle E-Business Suite instances, go to the Default Preferred Credentials section.

Select Oracle WebLogic Administration Credentials for Credential Set.

- 2. Click on Set.
- Choose the named credentials. Only those named credentials with scope as "Global" will appear in the list.
- You can test and save the credentials.

#### **Set Target Preferred Credentials for Oracle WebLogic Server:**

If you want to set a preferred credential for Oracle WebLogic Server of a specific Oracle E-Business Suite target, go to the Target Preferred Credential section.

- Select Oracle WebLogic Server of the specific Oracle E-Business Suite target.
- Select Oracle WebLogic Administration Credentials as Credential Set.
- Click on Set.
- Choose the named credentials.
- You can test and save the credentials.

### **Preferred Credentials for Host**

Host Preferred credentials must be set for the host from where files will be checked out by Customization Manager. This is the same host which is referenced in file source mapping. You must set the **Normal Username** and **Normal Password** for the host. Navigate to Setup menu > Security > Preferred Credentials. On the Preferred Credentials page, select Host and click Manage Preferred Credentials. On the Host Preferred Credentials page, set the operating system credentials of the host.

# **Setting Credentials if the Oracle E-Business Suite Instance Features Online Patching**

If the Oracle E-Business Suite instance features online patching, then credentials must be set for targets in both the run and patch file systems.

### **Known Limitations**

If you have set up SSH key credentials, then the pack diagnostics tests for preferred credentials will fail. This is a known limitation for Enterprise Manager 12c and will be addressed in the future release.

# **Preferences**

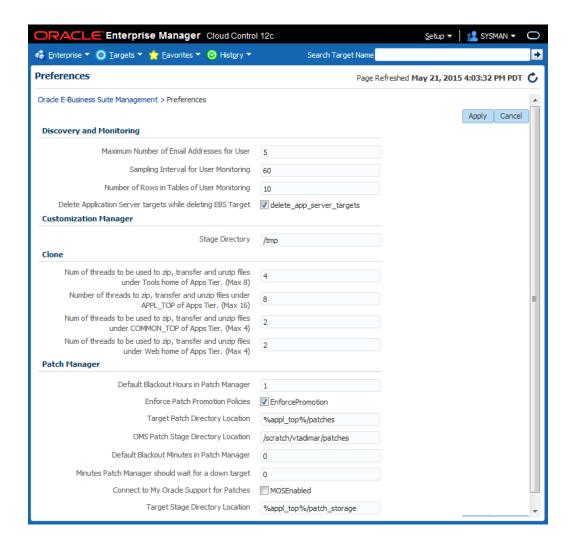
This chapter covers the following topics:

**Setting Preferences** 

# **Setting Preferences**

Use Preferences in Enterprise Manager to configure some of the features in Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite.

Navigate to the Preferences page from the Oracle E-Business Suite Management page through the Administer menu.



The following preferences can be set:

#### For Patch Manager

- Enforce Patch Promotion Policies
- Default Blackout Minutes in Patch Manager
- Default Blackout Hours in Patch Manager
- Target Patch Directory Location
- Connect to My Oracle Support for Patches (MOSEnabled)
- OMS Patch Stage Directory Location (required)

This preference specifies the patch stage directory location. This preference is used in conjunction with the preference "MOSEnabled". If "MOSEnabled" is unchecked, then Patch Manager will use the "OMS Patch Stage Directory Location" in searching

for patches.

Target Stage Directory Location

#### For Discovery and Monitoring

- Maximum Number of Email Addresses for User (required)
- Sampling Interval for User Monitoring (required)
- Delete Application Server targets while deleting EBS Target By default, the system deletes application server targets (like the HTTP server, OC4J, and so on) when deleting the parent Oracle E-Business Suite target. If you do not want all the application server targets deleted, deselect this check box.
- Number of Rows in Tables of User Monitoring (required)

#### For Customization Manager

Stage Directory (required) This preference specifies the OMS stage directory for package creation.

#### For Cloning

- Number of threads to be used to zip, transfer, and unzip files under APPL\_TOP of Apps Tier (Maximum value is 16)
- Number of threads to be used to zip, transfer, and unzip files under COMMON\_TOP of Apps Tier (Maximum value is 4)
- Number of threads to be used to zip, transfer, and unzip files under Web home of Apps Tier (Maximum value is 4)
- Number of threads to be used to zip, transfer, and unzip files under Tools home of Apps Tier (Maximum value is 8)

### For Upgrades from Release 3.1 or 4.0: Properties in amp.properties file replaced by **Preferences**

The amp.properties file used in Releases 3.1 and 4.0 is obsolete in this release of the Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite. Therefore, please note that the following properties are obsolete. They were used in the security model in the previous release; in the current release, the management pack uses the native Enterprise Manager Privileges feature.

- ebs\_acp\_packAccessEnabled
- enableRoleBasedSecurity
- enableApproval\_CM

- enableApproval\_AZ
- enableApproval\_PM
- targetLevelPrivilegeForApproval

The following properties must be set manually in the Preferences page after the upgrade. The property name is given with the name under Preferences in parentheses ().

- stageDir (Stage Directory)
- ampCloneApplTopParallelThreads (Number of threads to be used to zip, transfer, and unzip files under APPL\_TOP of Apps Tier)
- ampCloneToolsParallelThreads (Number of threads to be used to zip, transfer, and unzip files under Tools home of Apps Tier)
- ampCloneWebParallelThreads (Number of threads to be used to zip, transfer, and unzip files under Web home of Apps Tier)
- ampCloneCommonTopParallelThreads (Number of threads to be used to zip, transfer, and unzip files under COMMON\_TOP of Apps Tier)
- um\_dashboard\_no\_of\_rows (Number of Rows in tables of User Monitoring)
- um\_session\_sampling\_interval (Sampling Interval for User Monitoring)
- omsPatchStageDir (OMS Patch Stage Directory Location)
- MOSEnabled/metalinkEnabled (Connect to My Oracle Support for Patches)

# **Security**

This chapter covers the following topics:

- Privileges and Roles for Managing Oracle E-Business Suite
- Change Management Privileges
- Specific Privileges for Features

# **Privileges and Roles for Managing Oracle E-Business Suite**

Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite uses the native Enterprise Manager functionality of privileges and roles for security.

**Note:** In Releases 3.1 and 4.0, security was managed through the amp.properties file and disabled by default. In this release, the amp.properties file is no longer used, and security through privileges and roles is enabled by default.

User privileges provide a basic level of security in Enterprise Manager. They are designed to control user access to data and to limit the kinds of SQL statements that users can execute. When creating a user, you grant privileges to enable the user to connect to the database, to run queries and make updates, to create schema objects, and more.

A role is a collection of Enterprise Manager resource privileges, or target privileges, or both, which you can grant to administrators or to other roles. Resource privileges allow a user to perform operations which are not dependent on a specific target type. Target privileges allow an administrator to perform operations on a target. This management pack includes target-instance level privileges, which are for a particular target instance, and target-type level privileges, which are for all target instances of that type. An example of a resource privilege is the "Edit Global Preferences" resource privilege, which enables a user to edit global preferences for Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite. An example of a target-instance level privilege is the "Start and Stop Services" which enables a user to start and stop services using the

Administration menu for a given instance.

Privileges and roles are managed through the functions available from Setup menu > Security in the Cloud Control console. For more information, see the Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control Administrator's Guide.

Ready-to-use privileges shipped with the management pack are listed in the tables below. Please note the following in regard to privileges:

- The user SYSMAN has all the listed privileges by default.
- The use of privileges on a system is enabled by default, which means that a user will not be able to perform an action unless the appropriate privilege(s) are granted to that user.
- All target privileges are given against the target "Oracle E-Business Suite."
- Each privilege listed in the tables below does not include any other privilege. For example, the "Approve release package request" privilege does not include the privilege "Create release package request".

The table below lists ready-to-use resource privileges in Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite. These resource privileges are to be granted while creating or updating users in the "EM Resource Privileges" screen under the resource type "Oracle E-Business Suite Plug-in".

#### Resource Privileges

Name	Description
Create release package request	To create a request to release a package
Approve release package request	To approve the release of a package
Edit global preferences	To edit global preferences of the Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite
Create/edit approval hierarchy	To create or edit Approval Hierarchies for the approval process of change requests
Raise Customization Discovery Request	To create a request to discover customizations

The following table lists ready-to-use target instance level privileges. With these privileges, a user can perform the specified action against only the given target.

### Target Privileges

Name	Description	
Create splice request	To create a request to register a new custom application	
	<ul> <li>To create a request to validate an existing custom application</li> </ul>	
	• To create a request to auto-correct an existing invalid custom application	
Approve splice request	To approve a request to splice an application	
	• To hide and unhide custom applications	
Create Patch Manager request	To create a Patch Manager request	
Approve Patch Manager request	To approve a Patch Manager request	
Start and Stop Services	To start and stop services using the Administration Dashboard	

The following table lists ready-to-use target type level privileges. With these privileges, a user can perform the described action against any eligible target.

#### Target Type Level Privileges

Name	Description	
Create splice request	To create a request to register a new custom application	
	<ul> <li>To create a request to validate an existing custom application</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>To create a request to auto-correct an existing invalid custom application</li> </ul>	

Name	Description
Approve splice request	To approve a request to splice an application
	• To hide and unhide custom applications
Create Patch Manager request	To create a Patch Manager request
Approve Patch Manager request	To approve a Patch Manager request
Start and Stop Services	To start and stop services using the Administration Dashboard

The following table lists ready-to-use roles:

#### Roles

Code	Name	Included Privileges	Description
EBS_SUPER_USER	Oracle E-Business Suite Super User	All target type privileges, all resource privileges, and CREATE_TARGET	Role with unrestricted access to all management activities for Oracle E-Business Suite

Code	Name	Included Privileges	Description
EBS_ACP_SUPER_ USER	Change Management Super User	<ul> <li>Resource privilege "Approve release package request"</li> <li>Target type level privilege "Approve splice request"</li> <li>Target type level privilege "Approve Patch Manager request"</li> </ul>	Role with privileges to create as well as approve all Change Management requests.

# **Change Management Privileges**

Change Management for Oracle E-Business Suite provides a centralized view to monitor and orchestrate changes (both functional and technical) across multiple Oracle E-Business Suite systems. Change Management offers the capabilities to manage changes introduced by customizations, patches, and functional setups during implementation or maintenance activities. For more information, see: Introduction to Change Management, page 14-1.

The Change Approval process helps ensure that all changes done using any of the products in Change Management go through a change approval mechanism. This change control mechanism is a multilevel approval process for any change that results in a configuration or code change of an Oracle E-Business Suite instance. The Change Approval process uses privileges and roles to enforce the approval process.

# Required Privileges and Roles

The seeded "Change Management Super User" role (code EBS\_ACP\_SUPER\_USER) has privileges to submit and approve all Change Management requests.

For more information on these privileges, see: Privileges and Roles for Managing Oracle E-Business Suite, page 7-1.

A user must have the "Operator any Target" privilege in order to submit a patch run in

Patch Manager or create a package in Customization Manager. This privilege is described as:

- Name Operator any Target
- Description Ability to perform administrative operations on all managed targets
- Included Privileges View any Target
- Applicable Target Types All Target Types

In addition to the above Target Type privilege, a user must have the "Job System" resource privilege, as described below:

- Name Job System
- Description Job is a schedulable unit of work that administrator defines to automate the commonly run tasks
- Privilege Grants Applicable to all Resources Create

Note: You must also assign Resource Type Privilege of "Create" to the user using the "Manage Privilege Grants" feature, available from **Setup** menu >**Security** > **Administrators**. For more information on managing privilege grants, see the Enterprise Manager Cloud Control documentation.

### **Specific Privileges for Features**

The default roles EBS\_SUPER\_USER and EBS\_ACP\_SUPER\_USER provide privileges on all targets. If these roles are provided to a particular user, there is no need to provide any specific privileges to that user. If you want to provide specific privileges to a user, follow the instructions in this section, which describe specific privileges for Cloning, Patch Manager, and Customization Manager.

There are two types of required privileges: Target Privileges and Resource Privileges.

### **Target Privileges**

- 1. Common Privileges
  - Module: Customization Manager/Patch Manager
    - View any Target
    - **Execute Command Anywhere**
    - Execute Command as any Agent

- Module: Cloning
  - View any Target
  - Execute Command Anywhere
  - Execute Command as any Agent
  - Operator any Target
  - Add any Target
- 2. Application Change Management (ACMP) Specific Privileges
  - Module: Customization Manager
    - Requestor: Create splice request
    - Approver: Approve splice request
    - Super User: Both
  - Module: Patch Manager
    - Requestor: Create Patch Manager request
    - Approver: Approve Patch Manager request
    - Super User: Both

All above privileges can be provided either as "Common to All Targets" or "Specific to Target" by adding a target at the bottom of the Target Privilege screen and editing the target-specific privilege.

**Note:** The following privileges are not present as part of Target Specific Privileges but they are included under "Operator":

- View Any Target
- Execute Command Anywhere
- Execute Command as any Agent
- Operator any Target

### **Resource Privileges**

To grant Resource Privileges, click Edit for each Resource Privilege and select the sub-privileges.

- 1. Common Privileges:
  - Module: ALL

Edit the following Resource Types in the Resource Privileges screen and select the privileges.

- Job System
- Deployment Procedure
- Oracle E-Business Suite Plug-in
- 2. Change Management-Specific Privileges
  - Module: Customization Manager, Patch Manager

Edit the Resource Type "Oracle E-Business Suite Plug-in" in the Resource Privileges screen and select the following privileges.

- Requestor: Create release package request
- Approver: Approve release package request
- Super User: All
- Edit global preferences
- Create/edit approval hierarchy

All above privileges can be provided either "Common to All Targets" or "Specific to Target" by adding a target on the Resource Privilege page and selecting the applicable targets.

# **Monitoring Oracle E-Business Suite**

This chapter covers the following topics:

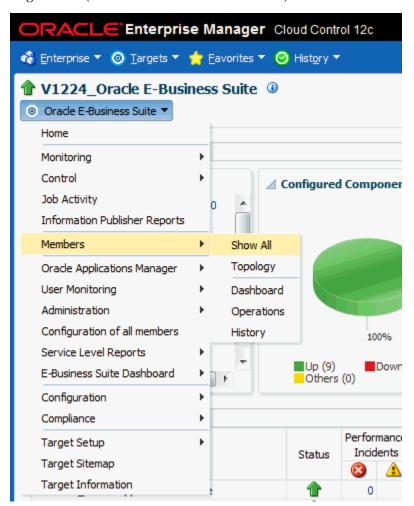
- Navigation and Overview
- Home Page of an Oracle E-Business Suite System Instance
- Incidents and Problems for an Oracle E-Business Suite Target
- Patch Recommendations for Oracle E-Business Suite and Technology Stack
- Compliance Standards for Oracle E-Business Suite
- Monitoring Online Patching to Detect Cutover
- Monitoring Current Activity
- Monitoring User Sessions
- Monitoring JVM Usage
- Monitoring Templates for Oracle E-Business Suite
- **Enabling Service Tests and Beacons Link**
- Drilling Down to Oracle Applications Manager
- Services
- Concurrent Processing Dashboard
- Oracle E-Business Suite Summary on the Exalogic Dashboard
- End-To-End Performance Monitoring with RUEI and JVMD
- Setting up End-to-End Monitoring
- Analyzing a Performance Issue
- Drilling Down from RUEI to the Plug-in
- **Custom Metrics**
- **Custom Compliance Rules**

### **Navigation and Overview**

Once discovered, an Oracle E-Business Suite instance will appear in the Oracle E-Business Suite Instances section on the Oracle E-Business Suite Management page. Click on the name of the instance to go to the home page of that instance.

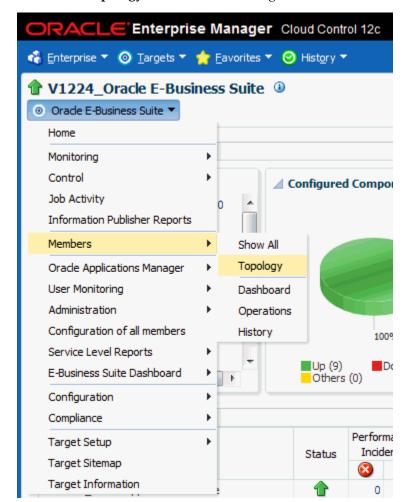
### **Oracle E-Business Suite System**

Oracle E-Business Suite is discovered as a system. The members of the system include all nodes and targets that run on each node. To see the members, click on the instance target menu (labeled "Oracle E-Business Suite") and select **Members >Show All**.



# **Topology of the Oracle E-Business Suite System**

The Configuration Topology Viewer provides a visual layout of the Oracle E-Business Suite system with its child targets. To access the Configuration Topology Viewer, select



**Members** >**Topology** from the instance target menu.

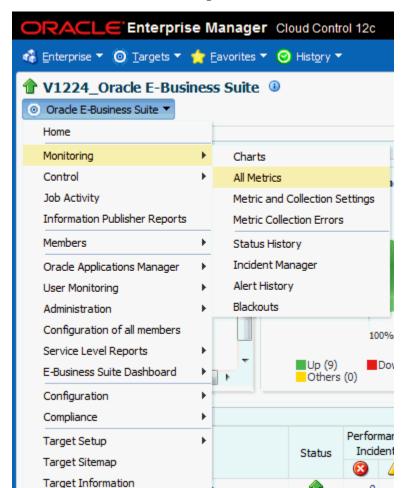
Upon service failure, the potential causes of failure as identified by root cause analysis, are highlighted in the topology view. You can view dependent relationships between services and systems from the Topology tab.

Using the topology view, you can:

- Determine the source of a target's health problems
- Analyze the impact of a target on other targets
- Determine the system's structure by viewing the members of a system and their interrelationships

#### **Metrics**

Once discovered, metrics are collected for an Oracle E-Business Suite system as well as its individual members. To see the metrics collected for any target, select Monitoring >



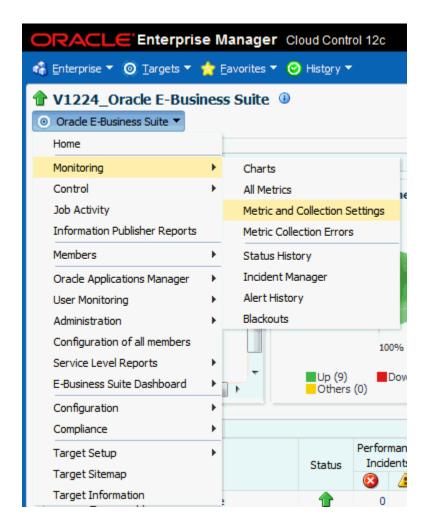
**All Metrics** from the instance target menu.

For more information on metrics, see: *Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite Metric Reference Manual.* 

#### **Setting Thresholds for Metrics**

Metrics collected can be compared to predefined values to check if they are exceeding a critical threshold or a warning threshold. Incidents are generated once the threshold is exceeded. To see the thresholds defined for metrics of any target, select **Monitoring** > **Metric and Collection Settings** from the instance target menu. Here you can set the Critical/Warning thresholds used to generate incidents. You can also change the collection schedule of the metrics here.

For more information on incidents, see: Incidents for an Oracle E-Business Suite Target, page 8-10.



# Home Page of an Oracle E-Business Suite System Instance

The home page of an Oracle E-Business Suite instance provides you with the following regions: Overview, Services, Targets Running on Nodes, Incidents and Problems, Oracle E-Business Suite Patch Recommendation, and Compliance Summary. Information about each region is provided below and in more detail in the remainder of this chapter.



### **Overview Region**

The Overview region provides general information and statuses of the Oracle E-Business Suite instance.

#### **General Section**

Details about the Oracle E-Business Suite instance in the General section are shown in the following table:

Configured Components	The count of member targets that fall into the status categories of Up, Down, or Other. You can drill down on a status category to view the targets that currently fall into that category.
System Name	The name of the Oracle E-Business Suite instance.
Version	The version of the Oracle E-Business Suite instance.
Products Licensed	The number of products licensed on the Oracle E-Business Suite system.
New Internal System Alerts	The number of new System Alerts generated in the Oracle E-Business Suite instance. Note that these System Alerts originate from the alerting infrastructure of Oracle E-Business Suite. These are complementary to the Oracle Enterprise Manager incidents.

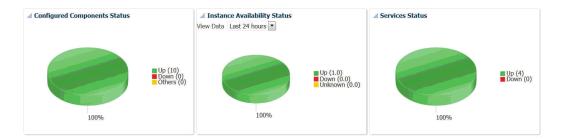
Patches Applied	The number of patches applied to the system in the last 24 hours.
Site Level Profile Options	The number of site level profile options that have changed on the system in the last 24 hours.
Context Files Edited	The number of AutoConfig context files that was changed on the system in the last 24 hours.
Monitoring Host	The host of the agent which is monitoring the Oracle E-Business Suite system. This will be the host where the database is running.

Note: The New Internal System Alerts, Patches Applied, Site Level Profile Options Changed, and Context Files Edited metrics are based on information periodically summarized in the Oracle E-Business Suite database by the Oracle Applications Manager Dashboard Collection concurrent program. This program is controlled through the Preferences global link in Oracle Applications Manager. If this program has been disabled in the Oracle E-Business Suite system for any reason, then these metrics will not be updated.

### **Availability Status Charts**

This portion of the Overview region is made up of three charts which depict the following:

- Status of the Configured Components.
- Historic information about the availability status of the Oracle E-Business Suite instance. You can choose to the view data from the last day, week, or month.
- Status of the services.

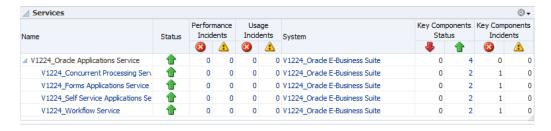


## **Services Region**

Oracle E-Business Suite and its member targets provide four major services to its customers. They are:

- Concurrent Processing
- Forms
- Self-Service Pages
- Workflow

All these services are registered with Cloud Control once the successful discovery of the Oracle E-Business Suite target is completed. The Services section on the home page of the Oracle E-Business Suite instance has the details of services.



Each service has a set of critical components without which the service cannot be provided. The following table lists the critical component of each service.

#### **Critical Components of Services**

Service	Critical components
Concurrent Processing	Internal Concurrent Manager
	Concurrent Manager
	• Database
	• Apps Listener
Workflow Service	Concurrent Processing Service
	Oracle Workflow Background Engine
	Oracle Workflow Agent Listener
	Oracle Workflow Notification Mailer
Forms Applications Service	• Forms server (OC4J/WLS)
	• HTTP Server
	• Database
Self-Service Applications Service	• OACORE Server (OC4J/WLS)
	HTTP Server
	• Database

More information on services is provided later in this chapter.

# **Targets Running on Nodes**

This section shows the targets running on each node in which the Oracle E-Business Suite is deployed. The data is shown in a hierarchical way with the host as the topmost parent. The nodes running on that host appear as the immediate children. The individual targets running on each node will appear as the child of each node. If the Oracle E-Business Suite instance features Online Patching, only run edition targets will be shown.



**Tip:** Use the **Detach** button to view the table on a separate page. This feature is useful if your table has more rows than can be shown in the default display.

# Incidents and Problems for an Oracle E-Business Suite Target

Incidents and problems will be raised if any member of the Oracle E-Business Suite system is down or if any metric has exceeded its threshold. The Incidents and Problems region on the Oracle E-Business Suite instance home page gives an overview of the incidents raised for that instance. You can get the number of incidents grouped by severity. In addition, you can filter incidents based on the type of incident, such as availability, performance, security, and so on. You can drill down to the details of each issue by clicking on the Summary column which takes you to the Incident Manager. The Incident Manager page is where you can view more details of the event. You can track and manage the incident from here as well.

# Patch Recommendations for Oracle E-Business Suite and Technology **Stack**

Oracle E-Business Suite customers must ensure Oracle recommended patches are applied to their Oracle E-Business Suite environments. These recommended patches are made available through My Oracle Support.

Patch Recommendations are provided for Oracle E-Business Suite and Technology Stack as a new feature in Release 12.1.0.4.0. Patches are recommended for three different components:

- Oracle E-Business Suite
- Oracle Database
- Oracle Application Tier Technology

Patch Recommendation functionality works as follows:

- By default, a background collection job is run daily to collect a list of recommended patches for Oracle E-Business Suite and the Technology Stack.
  - The pre-defined background job named "REFRESH EBS PATCH UPDATES.1" of job type "Refresh Oracle E-Business Suite Patch Recommendation" downloads patch information from My Oracle Support to the OMS Patch Stage Directory location.
  - This job is scheduled to run every day, although Administrators can reschedule it according to their needs.
- Applied patch information is collected from the respective Oracle E-Business Suite environments.
- A list of recommended patches are compared with already applied patches. Recommended patches which have not yet been applied are displayed.

Oracle recommends that customers enable My Oracle Support to use the Patch Recommendations functionality. However, for those customers who have security restrictions and do not prefer to enable My Oracle Support, see the below section Settings in Oracle E-Business Suite, page 8-11 for an alternate option.

If you are enabling a My Oracle Support connection, follow the instructions in the following section, Settings to Enable Patch Recommendations, page 8-11.

**Note:** For customers upgrading from Release 12.1.0.3.0 to Release 12.1.0.4.0, in order to utilize the Patch Recommendation feature, the agents must also be upgraded to Release 12.1.0.4.0. If the agent is at Release 12.1.0.3.0, results will not be as expected.

# Settings to Enable Patch Recommendations

The following settings must be set in order to enable the Patch Recommendation feature:

#### Settings in the OMS

- Set the My Oracle Support credentials.
- For information on setting preferred credentials, see Setting Credentials, page 5-1.

## Settings in Oracle E-Business Suite

The following settings should be set in the Patch Manager section of the Preferences page:

Set the OMS patch stage directory to a location where patches and patch

recommendation information can be downloaded and searched. The directory must be accessible from OMS.

To allow automatic downloading of Patch Recommendation information, ensure "Connect to My Oracle Support for Patches" is enabled.

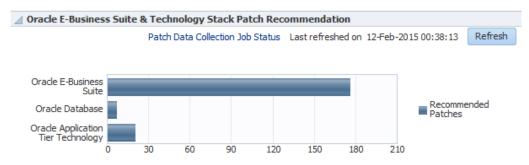
If "Connect to My Oracle Support for Patches" is disabled due to some reason such as the connection to My Oracle Support being unavailable on the OMS instance, the Patch Recommendation feature can still be used by following the steps below:

- Disable "Connect to My Oracle Support for Patches" from Oracle E-Business Suite Preferences.
- 2. Download InfoBundleR12.zip from https://updates.oracle.com/download/InfoBundleR12.zip.
- Download patch 17353079 from My Oracle Support.
- Copy the zip files to the OMS Patch Stage Directory Location.
- Click on the **Refresh** button in the Oracle E-Business Suite & Technology Stack Patch Recommendation region. This will collect a list of recommended patches from the OMS staging directory that need to be applied to the instance.

## Oracle E-Business Suite & Technology Stack Patch Recommendation Region

By default, you can find the Oracle E-Business Suite & Technology Stack Patch Recommendations region on the Oracle E-Business Suite instance target home page.

The bar graph in this region shows a summary of recommended patches to be applied on the specific Oracle E-Business Suite instance. Hover over each bar to see the number of recommended patches for a particular product. Click on any bar in the bar graph to drill down to the next section which provides details on the individual patches for each technology component of the Oracle E-Business Suite Technology stack.



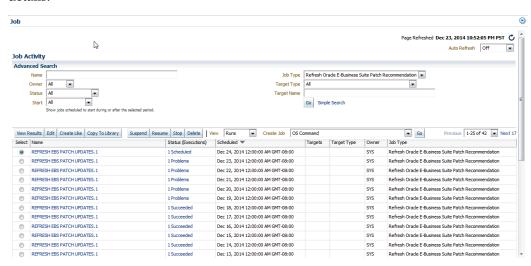
**Note:** For Release 12.0 and 12.1 instances, the name of this region is

"Oracle E-Business Suite Patch Recommendation."

Descriptions of the elements in this region are as follows:

- "Patch Data Collection Job Status" This link takes you to a detailed status page of the patch data collection job status.
- "Last refreshed on" This time stamp reflects the date and time when the list of recommended patch data was collected from My Oracle Support.
- Refresh button It is generally not required to refresh the results as the data is collected each day. However, if the "Last refreshed on" date is very old or if you want to ensure the data collection happens again, then you can click on the Refresh button to collect the latest list of recommended patches.

Clicking on the "Patch Data Collection Job Status" link takes you to the Job status page. Click on the Go button to display your search results, providing you with job activity details.



**Note:** Oracle E-Business Suite Application Patch Recommendations are available for Release 12.1.3 and later.

Oracle E-Business Suite Technology Stack Patch Recommendations including Database and Application Tier Patch Recommendations are available only for Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2 or later.

#### Oracle E-Business Suite Application Patch Recommendations

As mentioned previously, clicking on any bar in the graph in the Oracle E-Business Suite & Technology Stack Patch Recommendation region shows you the details of the patches to be applied on Oracle E-Business Suite and each technology component of the Oracle E-Business Suite Technology stack.

The first region of this page drills down into the Oracle E-Business suite recommended patch details.



Descriptions of the elements in this region are as follows:

- "Patch Information Bundle was created on" The date/time stamp when Oracle created the patch information bundle. As data collection from My Oracle Support takes places on a daily basis, this date also indicates the date on which the data was last collected from My Oracle Support.
- "Applied Patch data was collected from Oracle E-Business Suite target on" The date and time in which the patches applied data was collect from the Oracle E-Business Suite instance. This collection job is run by the OMS agent on the Oracle E-Business Suite targets to collect applied patch information.
- "Total number of unapplied Oracle E-Business Suite patches" The number of recommended patches that need to be applied to this specific Oracle E-Business Suite instance.
- Search field Search for recommended patches for a particular product, product short name, or patch number.
- Expand All and Collapse All buttons Allow you to show as little or as much detail desired, based on the Product Short Name.
- "Patch Deployment Procedure" This drop-down list of values allows you to select the right patch deployment procedure specific to the Oracle E-Business Suite release. If you have any custom deployment procedures, that value will also be displayed in the list of values.
- Apply Patches button When clicked, this button will direct you to the patch interview pages of the appropriate patch interview process.

- Export button Use to export a list of recommended patches to an Excel file.
- Refresh link Collects the applied patch metrics from the target.

#### Patches Recommended for Oracle Database

**Note:** This section is relevant for Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2 and later.

The next section of the screen displays Oracle E-Business Suite Database patch recommendation details.



Descriptions of the elements in this region are as follows:

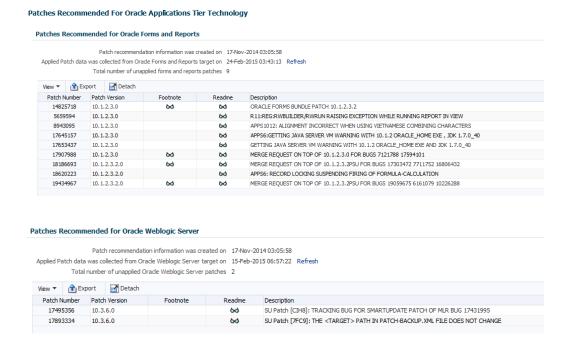
- "Patch recommendation information was created on" The date/time stamp when Oracle created the patch recommendation information. As data collection from My Oracle Support takes places on a daily basis, this date also indicates the date on which the data was last collected from My Oracle Support.
- "Applied Patch data was collected from Oracle Database target on" The date and time in which the patches applied data was collected from Oracle Database.
- "Refresh" Clicking on the "Refresh" link will force the collection of the latest patches applied on the target's Oracle home so that the recommendation can be reported on the target's current status.
- "Total number of unapplied database patches" The number of recommended database patches that need to be applied to this specific Oracle E-Business Suite instance.
- Export button Use to export a list of recommended patches to an Excel file.
- Patch Number column Lists the recommended patches
- Patch Version column Displays the version of the patch that is recommended

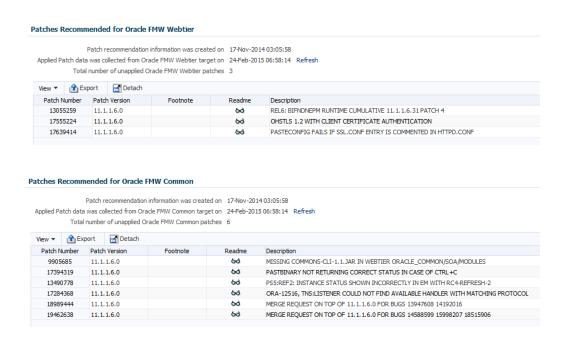
- Footnote column Provides special instructions which must be followed when applying the patch
- Readme column Displays the patch readme file from My Oracle Support. If MOS credentials are not set, then a "No Readme Available" message will be displayed.
- Description column Provides a description of the patch.
- Refresh link Collects the applied patch metrics from the target.

### Oracle E-Business Suite Application Tier Technology Patch Recommendations

**Note:** This section is relevant for Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2 and later.

The following shows the patch recommendations for Oracle E-Business Suite Application Tier Technology components. Elements in here are similar to the ones described in previous sections.





**Note:** Oracle Database and Oracle Application Tier Technology patches may be listed, despite already being applied. This may be due to the fact that some patches have bug fixes spawning to other patches. Apply all patches, in sequence, as listed in the table and then click the Refresh link to recollect the applied patch metrics from the target to view the correct patch recommendations.

# **Compliance Standards for Oracle E-Business Suite**

Compliance evaluation generates a score for a target which indicates how much the target is compliant with the standard. Violation of a standard can be classified as Critical, Warning or Minor Warning.

The management pack includes a set of compliance standards for Oracle E-Business Suite security which will be associated to every Oracle E-Business Suite instance once it is discovered. Evaluation will happen periodically, which will ensure that the Oracle E-Business Suite is configured in a secure way.

The following table lists details of the compliance standards shipped along with the compliance rules associated with them.

## Compliance Standards

Compliance Standard	Rules Mapped to the Standard	Severity
Checks for profile validations in Oracle E-Business Suite	Checks for profile errors in Oracle E-Business Suite	Critical
Checks for profile validations in Oracle E-Business Suite	Checks for profile warnings in Oracle E-Business Suite	Warning
Checks for profile validations in Oracle E-Business Suite	Checks for profiles, missing in Oracle E-Business Suite	Critical
Compliance for Oracle E-Business Suite 10gR2 Database	Checks if PL/SQL optimize level set to default in Oracle E-Business Suite	Critical
Compliance for Oracle E-Business Suite 10gR2 Database	Checks the Database will be completely compatible with the software version 10gR2	Critical
Compliance for Oracle E-Business Suite 11gR2 Database	Checks for default Database password users in Oracle E-Business Suite	Critical
Compliance for Oracle E-Business Suite 11gR2 Database	Checks the Database will be completely compatible with the software version 11gR2	Critical
Compliance for Oracle E-Business Suite 11gR2 Database	Checks if parallel execution and Oracle RAC parameter set to recommended value for Oracle E-Business Suite	Critical
Compliance for Oracle E-Business Suite 12cR1	Checks if parallel execution and Oracle RAC parameter set to recommended value for Oracle E-Business Suite	Critical
Compliance for Oracle E-Business Suite 12cR1	Checks the Database will be completely compatible with the software version 12cR1	Critical
Compliance for Oracle E-Business Suite 12cR1	Checks if optimizer parameters used to turn off automatic statistics is set for Oracle E-Business Suite	Critical

Compliance Standard	Rules Mapped to the Standard	Severity
Compliance for Oracle E-Business Suite 12cR1	Checks for default Database password users in Oracle E-Business Suite	Critical
Checks for default APPL password users in Oracle E-Business Suite	Checks for default application password users in Oracle E-Business Suite	Critical
APPLSYSPUB unnecessary privileges check for Oracle E-Business Suite	APPLSYSPUB unnecessary privileges check for Oracle E-Business Suite	Warning
Server security check for Oracle E-Business Suite	Server security check for Oracle E-Business Suite	Warning
Checks for hashed passwords in Oracle E-Business Suite	Checks for hashed passwords in Oracle E-Business Suite	Warning
Checks if SSL (HTTPS) is enabled in Oracle E-Business Suite	Check if SSL (HTTPS) is enabled in Oracle E-Business Suite	Warning
Checks for mod security in Oracle E-Business Suite	Checks for mod security in Oracle E-Business Suite	Warning
Credit card encryption check in Oracle E-Business Suite	Credit card encryption check in Oracle E-Business Suite	Warning
Credit card encryption check in Oracle E-Business Suite	Supplement credit card encryption check in Oracle E-Business Suite	Warning
Credit card encryption check in Oracle E-Business Suite	Enhanced hashing in Oracle E-Business Suite	Warning
Compliance for Oracle E-Business Suite Database Configuration Standards	Checks if the parameter work area size policy is set to the default recommendation	Critical
Compliance for Oracle E-Business Suite Database Configuration Standards	Checks if the use of bitmap plans optimizer parameter is set to the default recommendation	Critical

Compliance Standard	Rules Mapped to the Standard	Severity
Compliance for Oracle E-Business Suite Database Configuration Standards	Checks if NLS date default format is set for Oracle E-Business Suite	Critical
Compliance for Oracle E-Business Suite Database Configuration Standards	Checks if block size for Oracle E-Business Suite is 8K	Critical
Compliance for Oracle E-Business Suite Database Configuration Standards	Checks if the create columns semantics is using byte by default for Oracle E-Business Suite	Critical
Compliance for Oracle E-Business Suite Database Configuration Standards	Checks if the total size of the SGA is configured set to the default recommendation for Oracle E-Business Suite	Critical
Compliance for Oracle E-Business Suite Database Configuration Standards	Checks if version 7 dictionary accessibility support for Oracle E-Business Suite is set to False	Critical
Compliance for Oracle E-Business Suite Database Configuration Standards	Checks if the Cost Based Optimizer is set to FALSE for Oracle E-Business Suite	Critical
Compliance for Oracle E-Business Suite Database Configuration Standards	Checks if the treat LIKE predicate with bind as an equality predicate optimizer parameter is set to suggested value	Critical
Compliance for Oracle E-Business Suite Database Configuration Standards	Checks if the index fast full scan configuration set to the default recommendation	Critical
Compliance for Oracle E-Business Suite Database Configuration Standards	Checks for cursor sharing mode in Oracle E-Business Suite	Critical
Compliance for Oracle E-Business Suite Database Configuration Standards	Checks if the system management undo parameter is set for Oracle E-Business Suite	Critical
Compliance for Oracle E-Business Suite Database Configuration Standards	Checks if the cost ratio for sort elimination optimizer parameter is set to suggested value for Oracle E-Business Suite	Critical

Compliance Standard	Rules Mapped to the Standard	Severity
Compliance for Oracle E-Business Suite Database Configuration Standards	Checks if optimizer parameters used to turn off automatic statistics is set for Oracle E-Business Suite	Critical
Compliance for Oracle E-Business Suite Database Configuration Standards	Checks if the database system triggers has been enabled for Oracle E-Business Suite	Critical
Compliance for Oracle E-Business Suite Database Configuration Standards	Checks if the Real Application Clusters parameter is set to TRUE startup in cluster	Critical

The Compliance Standards region on the home page of the Oracle E-Business Suite instance provides details of the evaluations performed on that instance and how many violations there are. You can click on each standard to view further details of evaluations per rule. Each standard comes with a recommendation on how to fix the violations for that standard.

**Note:** Compliance standards will not be set for Oracle E-Business Suite instances discovered using the previous releases of the management pack. You must rediscover an instance to attach compliance standards to it.

# **Monitoring Online Patching to Detect Cutover**

If the Oracle E-Business Suite target features online patching, false incidents will be raised for the patch edition targets being down or the whole Oracle E-Business Suite being down during cutover. To prevent this, the system keeps checking the patching activities to see if any cutover is in progress. Corrective actions are triggered once a cutover is detected. If there is any cutover in progress, the whole Oracle E-Business Suite target will be blacked out. This is true if the patching is done either from Patch Manager or Oracle E-Business Suite console. Once the cutover is complete (success or failure) the corrective actions will end the blackout of the Oracle E-Business Suite target and black out the correct patch edition.

# **Important Points to Note**

- The system should detect the cutover within 15 minutes, although there may be a delay depending on the load on the OMS and Agent.
- Blackout is an asynchronous activity. Incidents may be raised even before blackout

comes into effect. It is safe to ignore those incidents.

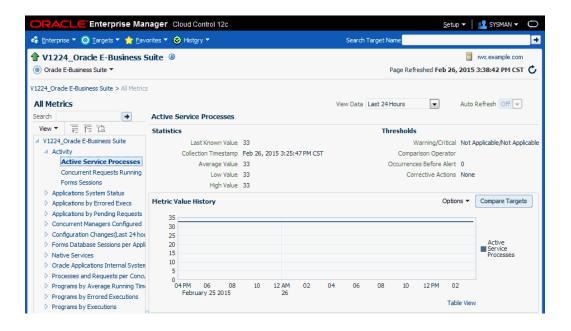
- You will not be able to perform any management activities like cloning or package creation while corrective actions are in progress.
- If the corrective actions fail to sync up the editions, you can do so manually. See: Administration of Oracle E-Business Suite, page 10-1.
- If you upgraded the management pack from Release 12.1.0.2.0, you must rediscover your Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2 targets after your upgrade to attach the corrective actions.

### **Abandoned Nodes**

During online patching, it is possible that a few nodes can get abandoned in the run edition. An incident will be raised if the system detects an abandoned node. An error message will be displayed on the home page of the corresponding Oracle E-Business Suite instance. You must either fix the node on the Oracle E-Business Suite side and perform a rediscovery or exclude the node using discovery customization and rediscover.

# **Monitoring Current Activity**

Activity metrics are collected for the Oracle E-Business Suite target. These metrics provide details of current activities going on the Oracle E-Business Suite instance. Select Monitoring >All Metrics from the instance target menu. Expand the metric named Activity. You can see the trends for service processes, concurrent processing, and Forms.



# **Monitoring User Sessions**

When a user logs in to Oracle E-Business Suite, the system creates sessions in the database identified by a unique session ID, or SID. All of these user sessions are created using the APPS schema credential. Each database session is associated with an Oracle E-Business Suite application user. This feature enables linking the database session with the corresponding application user for monitoring and troubleshooting purposes. You will be able to pinpoint how the Oracle E-Business Suite user opened a database session and whether it is with a concurrent processing, Forms, or Self-Service application.

For information on diagnostic tests for this feature, see: Diagnostic Tests for User Monitoring, page 12-16.

# Mandatory Settings

The following settings are mandatory:

### Settings on the OMS

Set the preferred credentials of the "Oracle E-Business Suite" target type for the credential set AppsUserCredsSet. You must provide the Oracle E-Business Suite user login credentials.

For information on setting preferred credentials, see: Set Preferred Credential for Oracle E-Business Suite Application Login, page 5-3.

## **Settings on the Oracle E-Business Suite**

- For the above Oracle E-Business Suite user, assign "LCM\_EM\_CLIENT" responsibility.
- Form sessions can be monitored only when the site-level profile Sign-On:Audit Level is set to 'FORM'. The internal name for this profile is 'SIGNONAUDIT:LEVEL'.

# **Top Sessions**

This page will show four bar charts of database sessions triggered by the APPS database

- Top waiting sessions: sessions waiting for a database event to trigger to proceed further.
- Top running SQL statements.
- Top CPU consuming sessions.
- Top memory intense sessions.

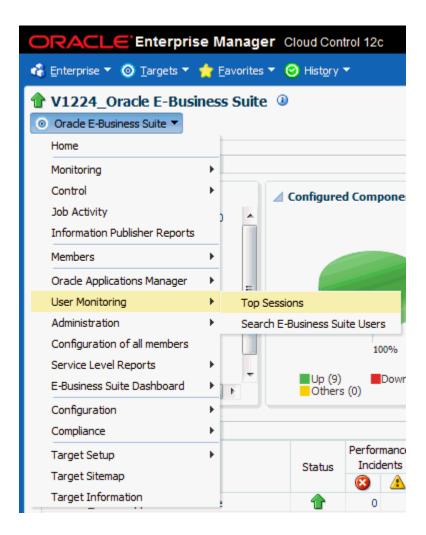


The level of detail shown in the bar graphs is controlled by properties set on the Preferences page. See: Setting Preferences, page 6-1.

- Sampling Interval for User Monitoring. The sample interval default is 60 minutes (which is also the maximum interval allowed).
- Number of Rows in tables of User Monitoring.

You can drill down from the legend to see the details of the session. If the Oracle E-Business Suite user information is available, the Oracle E-Business Suite session details is shown with further drilling down available to the database session details. If the Oracle E-Business Suite user information is not available (that is, the database sessions were triggered by a background process and not by a user), you can drill down to the database session details directly.

To navigate to the Top Sessions page, select **User Monitoring >Top Sessions** from the instance target menu.

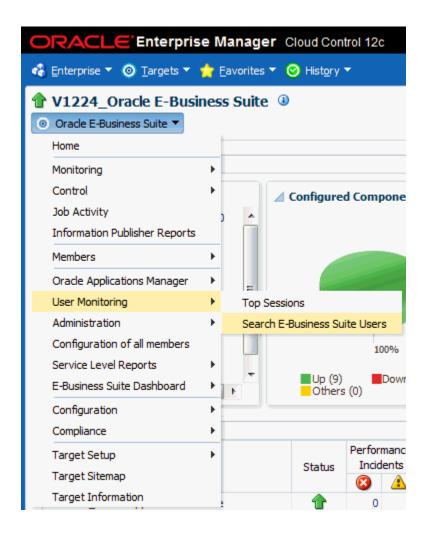


# **Searching for User Sessions**

You can search for Oracle E-Business Suite user sessions using:

- Database Session ID Provide the database sessions ID and if a match is found with a concurrent program, Form, or Oracle Application Framework page, the details will be shown with a drill-down facility to the database session details.
- Oracle E-Business Suite user name This search shows all active concurrent programs, Forms, and Oracle Application Framework pages accessed by the user. It will also show the associated database session ID with drill down capability.

To navigate to user sessions search, select User Monitoring > Search E-Business Suite **User** from the instance target menu.



# **Monitoring JVM Usage**

Note: This feature is not supported for Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2 in this release. Users wanting to monitor Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2 and later should consider using the Oracle WebLogic Server Management Pack Enterprise Edition, which provides JVM monitoring and JVMD.

Starting from Release 12.1.0.3.0, this feature is disabled by default. You must enable it by following the setup steps below.

You can monitor JVM usage parameters specific to Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.1. You can review the following parameters for each of the oacore J2EE containers in which a given Oracle E-Business Suite instance is deployed.

Application Module pool - Provides information about all active and leaked application modules.

- Locked AOLI Connections Provides information about all locked and leaked AOL/J connections utilized by applications.
- Cache Components Provides information about the cache component utilization by Oracle Application Framework.

## **Setup Steps**

For Release 12 systems, ensure that you have set up the monitoring configuration for each "oacore" OC4J target as follows:

- 1. In the Targets Running on Nodes section in the Oracle E-Business Suite instance home page, click on the "oacore" OC4J target. This will take you to the home page of the target.
- 2. On the home page of the oacore OC4J target, select Target Setup >Monitoring **Configuration** in the instance target menu.
- Enter the OC4J administrator username and password for the "oacore" OC4J in the "Username for Basic authorization" and the "Password for Basic authorization" fields, respectively.

**Note:** The OC4J administrator username by default is "oc4jadmin" and is specified in the system-jazn-data.xml file under the \$INST TOP/ora/10.1.3/j2ee/oacore/config directory. The oc4jadmin password by default is set to a randomized value during installation and will need to be reset as in the following example:

#### In the

\$INST TOP/ora/10.1.3/j2ee/oacore/config/system-ja zn-data.xml file, set the value of the "credentials" element for oc4jadmin user to your chosen password preceded by a! character. For example:

```
<user>
<name>oc4jadmin</name>
<display-name>0C4J Administrator</display-name>
<description>OC4J Administrator</description>
<credentials>![new password]</credentials>
```

After saving system-jazn-data.xml, restart the oacore OC4J. This step encrypts the updated password in system-jazn-data.xml.

Click **OK** to save the information.

For both Release 11i and Release 12, ensure that the Application Server passwords are also set, as Oracle Enterprise Manager expects these passwords to be set for metrics

collection for the JVM targets.

#### Command to enable the metric collection

```
./emcli modify collection schedule -force
-targetType="oracle_apps_jvm"
-targetNames="<targetName1>,<targetName2>"
-collectionName="LockedAOLJConn"
-collectionStatus="Enabled" -preview=N -freqType="Minute"
-freqValue="1"
./emcli modify collection schedule -force
-targetType="oracle apps jvm"
-targetNames="<targetName1>,<targetName2>"
-collectionName="AMPoolCount"
-collectionStatus="Enabled" -preview=N -freqType="Minute"
-freqValue="1"
./emcli modify collection schedule -force
-targetType="oracle apps jvm"
-targetNames="<targetName1>,<targetName2>"
-collectionName="CachedObjects"
-collectionStatus="Enabled" -preview=N -freqType="Minute"
-freqValue="1"
```

#### Command to disable the metric collection

```
emcli modify collection schedule
-targetType="oracle apps jvm"
-targetNames="<targetName1>, <targetName2>"
-collectionName="LockedAOLJConn"
-collectionStatus="Disabled" -preview=N emcli modify_collection_schedule
-targetType="oracle apps jvm"
-targetNames="<targetName1>,<targetName2>"
-collectionName="AMPoolCount"
-collectionStatus="Disabled" -preview=N emcli modify_collection_schedule
-targetType="oracle apps jvm"
-targetNames="<targetName1>, <targetName2>"
-collectionName="CachedObjects"
-collectionStatus="Disabled" -preview=N
```

To find out the oracle\_apps\_jvm target names associated with an Oracle E-Business Suite instance, go to the All Targets page and search for

```
<ebs instance name>%oacore jvm 1 apps.
```

**Note:** It is important to set the oc4j admin username and password at the EBS as per the mandatory setups mentioned above. If you enable this metric without doing that, it can result in the flooding of metric collection errors at the OMS repository.

# **Monitoring Templates for Oracle E-Business Suite**

Monitoring templates let you standardize monitoring settings across your Oracle E-Business Suite environments by allowing you to specify the monitoring settings once and apply those to your monitored targets. You can save, edit, and apply these templates across one or more targets. A monitoring template is specified for a particular target type and can only be applied to targets of the same type. For example, you can define one monitoring template for Oracle E-Business Suite test instances and another monitoring template for Oracle E-Business Suite production instances. For more descriptions of Oracle Certified Templates and Oracle Provided Templates please see the latest *Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control Administrator's Guide*.

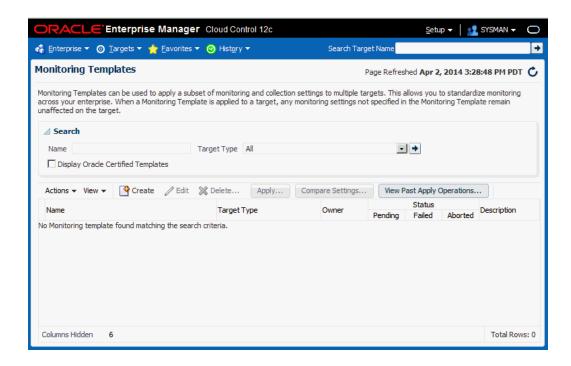
**Note:** Currently, Oracle delivered templates may not have many out-of-box metric values. However, you can set these metric values by observing the trend in your own environment over a period of time. You can view some of the trend information by examining Average value, Low value, and High value statistics for each metric that you are monitoring using the template.

## Managing Out-of-Box Monitoring Templates for Targets for Oracle E-Business Suite

Navigate to monitoring templates using the path **Enterprise** (menu) >**Monitoring** > **Monitoring Templates**.



Users must have the required privilege(s) to manage monitoring templates. The privilege(s) for the view/edit/create like/delete functions for managing out-of-box monitoring templates for the management pack are the same as that for all out-of-box monitoring templates. See: *Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control Administrator's Guide* for more information.



## **Viewing Out-of-Box Monitoring Templates**

To view out-of-box monitoring templates, select the "Display Oracle Certified Templates" check box and search for templates. All Oracle-certified templates are displayed.

#### **Default Listing of the Monitoring Templates**

Out-of-box monitoring templates are called 'Oracle Certified Templates.' By default, the Oracle Certified Templates are not displayed.

### Find Out-of-Box Monitoring Templates for Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite

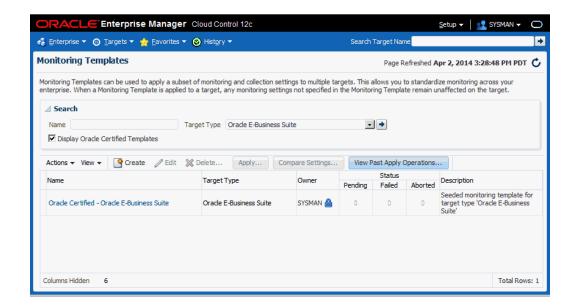
Search for out-of-box monitoring templates for management pack targets by selecting the "Display Oracle Certified Templates" check box and selecting the Target Type in the drop-down list. Alternatively, you can simply search for the target name.

Currently, out-of-box monitoring templates are supported for the following targets:

- Oracle E-Business Suite
- **Oracle Concurrent Manager**
- Concurrent Processing Service
- Oracle Workflow Agent Listener
- Oracle Workflow Background Engine

- Oracle Workflow Notification Mailer
- Workflow Service
- Oracle Applications JVM Usage
- Self Service Application Service
- Forms Based Applications Service

**Note:** This is only applicable for 12.1.x. Since the Forms service targets metrics that are promoted in 12.2 are different, monitoring templates shipped in this release are not applicable for 12.2.



### **Editing Out-of-Box Monitoring Templates**

Editing an out-of-box monitoring template is not permitted in all Enterprise Manager versions. Please check Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control Administrator's Guide for more information.

In addition, the Edit option is enabled only if the user has the required privilege to edit a monitoring template through Enterprise Manager. Management pack templates follow the same restrictions as all out-of-box monitoring templates.

The Monitoring Templates home page lists all viewable templates. To display out-of-box templates, search using the criterion 'Oracle Certified Templates'.

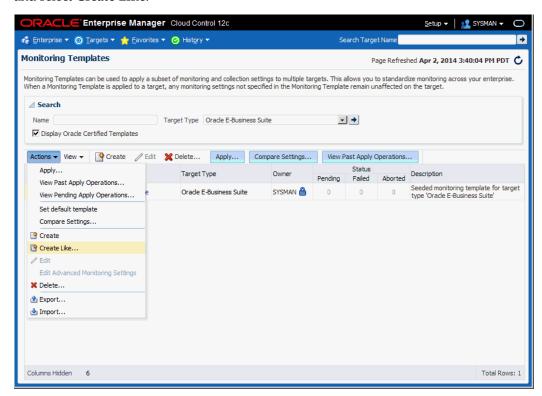
To edit a template:

From the Enterprise menu, select **Monitoring**, and then **Monitoring Templates**.

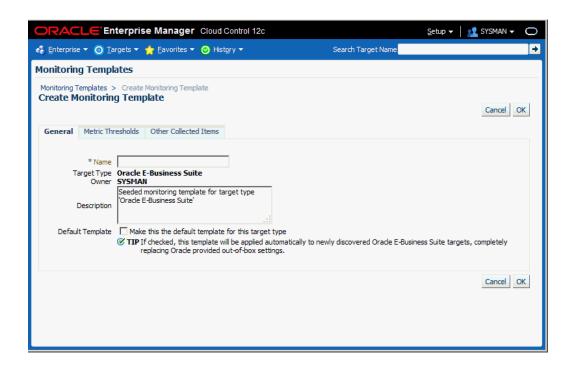
- Choose the desired out-of-box monitoring template from the table.
- Click Edit.
- Once you have finished making changes, click **OK**.

### Copying an Out-of-Box Monitoring Template

To create a template based on an existing template, select the template, go to Actions, and select Create Like.



Enter the inputs for 'General', 'Metric Thresholds', and 'Other Collected Items' and click OK.



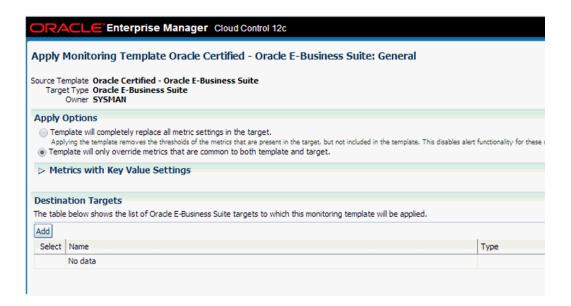
## **Deleting an Out-of-Box Monitoring Templates**

Out-of-box monitoring templates cannot be deleted.

# Applying a monitoring template to an Oracle E-Business Suite target

An out-of-box monitoring template can be applied to a management pack target based on the target type. To apply a template, you must have at least Manage Target Metrics target privileges on the destination target(s).

- From the Enterprise menu, select **Monitoring** and then **Monitoring Templates**.
- Select the desired template from the table.
- 3. Click **Apply**.
- Select the desired apply options and the target(s) to which you want the templates applied. See Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control Administrator's Guide for more information.
- Click **OK**.



## Other Features of Monitoring Templates

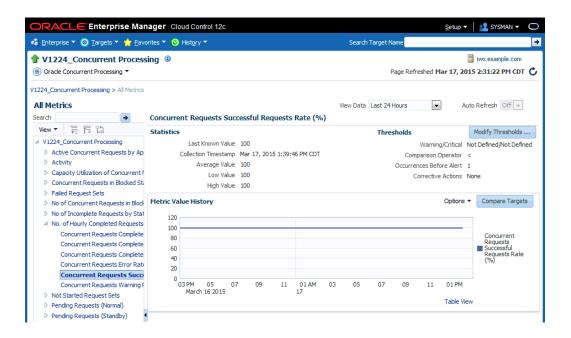
All other features of out-of-box monitoring templates such as 'Compare Settings' and 'View Past Apply Operations' are valid for out-of-box monitoring templates in the management pack.

## Defining or modifying the threshold values in the out-of-box monitoring templates

Currently, the Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite supplies the out-of-box monitoring templates with default values. To define the threshold values in out-of-box monitoring templates, the following steps are involved:

- Observe the trend of the metrics for the targets.
- 2. Determine the threshold values based on observation.
- Modify the threshold values by editing the template.
- Apply the modified template to the target.

To check the trend of the metrics for the target, on the target's home page target menu (labeled "Oracle Concurrent Manager"), navigate to Monitoring >All Metrics. Select any metric, and check 'Metric Value History'. Change the 'View Data' period based on the time of analysis.



# **Enabling Service Tests and Beacons Link**

Administrators can define service tests for Oracle E-Business Suite services and can also define their own ATS transactions to determine the health of an application (for example, whether the application is rendering the correct pages and functional flows are intact). All Oracle E-Business Suite service targets support the Service Test Types of ATS and HTTPPING. For more information on service tests, service test types, beacons, and Oracle Application Test Suite (OATS), see the section "Configuring and Using Services" in the *Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control Administrator's Guide*.

The following services have the 'Service Tests and Beacons' link enabled:

- oracle\_apps\_svc\_cp (Concurrent Processing Service)
- oracle\_apps\_svc\_ebs (Oracle Applications Service)
- oracle\_apps\_svc\_forms (Forms Based Applications Service)
- oracle\_apps\_svc\_ssa (Self-Service Applications Service)
- oracle apps svc wf (Workflow Service)

The basic steps to create such a test are as follows:

- Navigate to the Service target home page.
- 2. Select the **Service** link.
- 3. Click on the **Monitoring Configurations** tab.

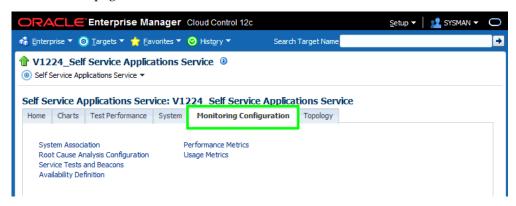
- Select the **Service Tests and Beacons** link.
- Select 'Test Type' as 'ATS Transaction' and click Add.
- Enter an appropriate name.
- Click the **Upload** button and select the OATS script zip file.
- Add a Beacon to monitor the Service Test. The Enterprise Manager Management Beacon default is available.
- Enable the Service Test.
- 10. Click OK.

For more detailed information, see the Creating an ATS Service Test section of the Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control Administrator's Guide.

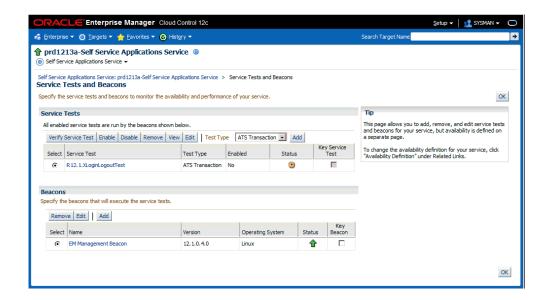
## Seeded ATS Test Transaction for Self-Service Applications Service

A sample ATS test script is shipped out of the box for a login/logout test against Oracle E-Business Suite 12.1.x instances. This script will only work if the 12.1.x instance is not SSL configured. This ATS test transaction is configured during the discovery time of the 12.1.3 Oracle E-Business Suite instance against 'Self-Service Applications Service.' An end user needs to enable the ATS transaction and edit it with a correct Oracle E-Business Suite username and password.

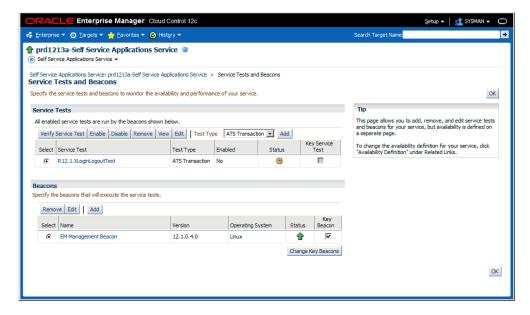
1. Click on the **Monitoring Configuration** tab from the Self-Service Applications Service home page.



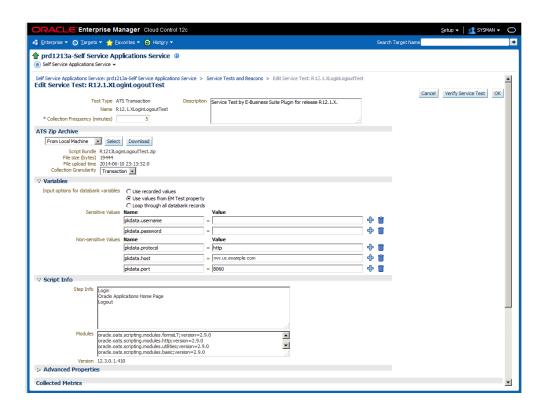
- Click on the 'Service Tests and Beacons' link.
- The default ATS service test is disabled. First mark the default beacon, 'EM Management Beacon' as 'Key Beacon' in the Beacons region. Then click on the **Enable** button for the Service Test.



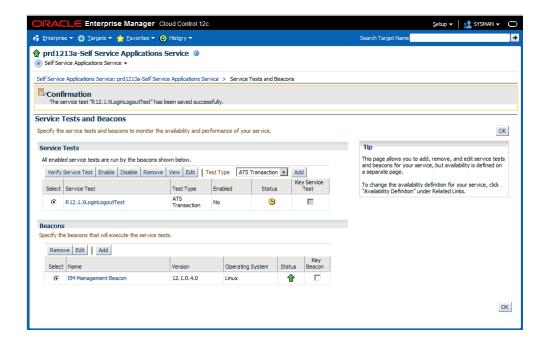
4. Click on Edit.



5. Enter the Oracle E-Business Suite applications username and password under Variables, Sensitive Values. Click **OK**.

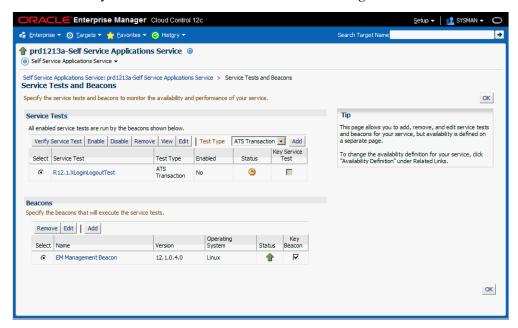


Again, click the **OK** button from the Service Tests and Beacons home page to ensure that the changes are saved.

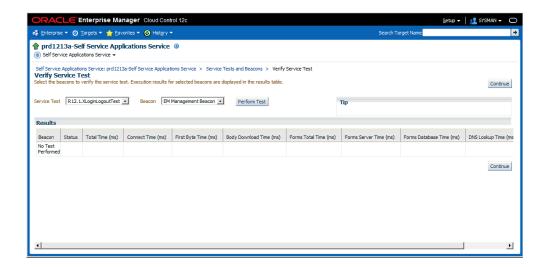


7. You can verify service test as follows:

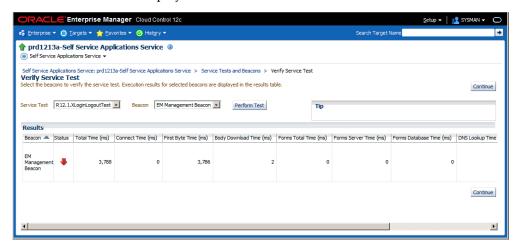
Click the **Verify Service Test** button in the Service Tests region.



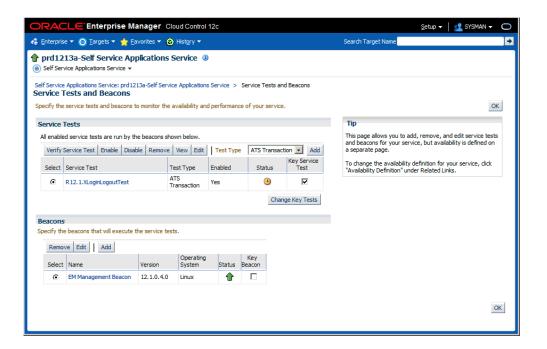
Click the **Perform Test** button.



Execution results are displayed in the results table.



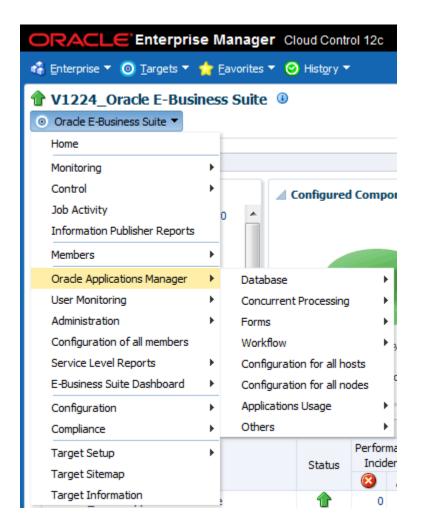
- You need to mark this service as 'Key Service Test' so that it starts contributing to the availability.
  - Select the **Key Service Test** check box and click the **Change Key Tests** button.



For more details see the chapter "Configuring and Using Services" in the Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control Administrator's Guide.

# **Drilling Down to Oracle Applications Manager**

You can drill down to the Oracle Application Manager of each Oracle E-Business Suite instance from Oracle E-Business Suite plug-in. Select Oracle Applications Manager from the instance target menu.



You can access the following sections and its subsections in Oracle Applications Manager:

- Database
- **Concurrent Processing**
- Forms
- Workflow
- Configuration of all hosts
- Configuration of all nodes
- Applications Usage
- Others

## **Services**

### **Performance of Services**

The metrics collected from a service's critical components are used to evaluate the performance of each service. The following table lists the performance metrics for each service.

#### **Performance Metrics for Services**

Service	Metric	Description
Concurrent Processing Service	Concurrent Requests Success Rate	Successfully completed requests per hour
Concurrent Processing Service	Concurrent Requests Error Rate	Failed requests per hour
Forms Service	Forms Response Time	Average response time of forms in milliseconds
Forms Service	Forms Requests per Second	Average of number of requests processed by the Forms server per second
Forms Service	HTTP Server Request Throughput	Average of number of requests processed by the HTTP server per second
Workflow Service	Pending Agent Listener Events	Count of pending agent listener events
Workflow Service	Pending Mailer Notification Events	Count of pending mailer notification events
Workflow Service	Pending Mailer Notifications	Count of pending mailer notifications
Self-Service Applications Service	OACore requests per second	Average of number of requests processed by the oacore server per second

Service	Metric	Description
Self-Service Applications Service	HTTP Server Request Throughput	Average of number of requests processed by the HTTP server per second

## **Usage by Services**

The metrics collected from a service's critical components are used to evaluate the resources used by each service. The following table lists the usage metrics for each service.

#### **Usage Metrics for Services**

Service	Metric	Description
Concurrent Processing Service	Running Requests per Hour	Number of requests running per hour
Concurrent Processing Service	Active Service Processes	Number of active services running per hour
Forms Service	Forms server CPU usage	Percentage of CPU used by the Forms server
Forms Service	HTTP server CPU usage	Percentage of CPU used by the HTTP server
Forms Service (Socket Mode)	Total Memory Utilization	Percentage of the total memory used by the Forms process
Forms Service (Socket Mode)	Total CPU Utilization	Percentage of CPU used by the Forms process
Forms Service (Socket Mode)	Number of Forms Processes	Total number of Forms processes that are running
Workflow Service	Background Engine Deferred Items	Number of items deferred by the background engine yet to be processed
Self-Service Applications Service	OACore CPU usage	Percentage of CPU used by the oacore server

Service	Metric	Description
Self-Service Applications Service	HTTP server CPU usage	Percentage of CPU used by the HTTP server

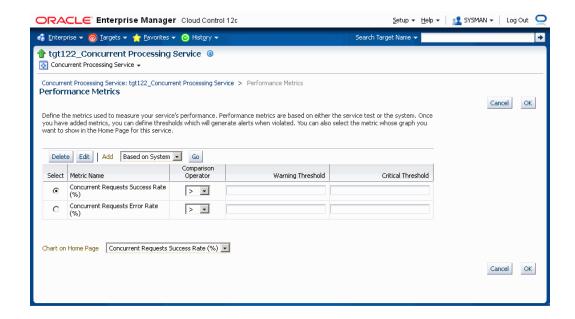
#### **Charts for services**

To see charts based on the above performance and usage metrics, go to the home page of each service and click on the Charts tab.



#### **Incidents for Services**

You can set thresholds for tracking the performance and usage of services. Incidents are generated once the metrics exceed the threshold. To set the threshold, go to the home page of the service and click on the tab Monitoring Configuration. Click on the link "Performance Metrics" or "Usage Metrics". You can set the warning and critical threshold for performance and usage metrics on the respective pages.



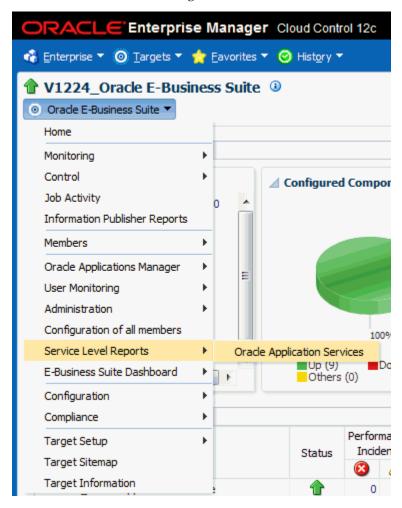
The Services section on the Oracle E-Business Suite home page provides the details described in the following table:

#### Services Status Information on the Home Page

Column	Description
System	The Oracle E-Business Suite system whose members are providing the service.
Performance Incidents	Number of performance incidents which are classified as Critical or Warning. You can drill down from here to get the details of the incidents by clicking on the number.
Usage Incidents	Number of usage incidents which are classified as Critical or Warning. You can drill down from here to get the details of the incidents by clicking on the number.
Key Components Status	The status of the key components. The service will be shown as "down" if any of the key components is down. You can drill down from here by clicking on the number.
Key Components Incidents	Incidents (Critical and Warning) raised against key components of the service. You can drill down from here by clicking on the number.

#### Services Dashboard

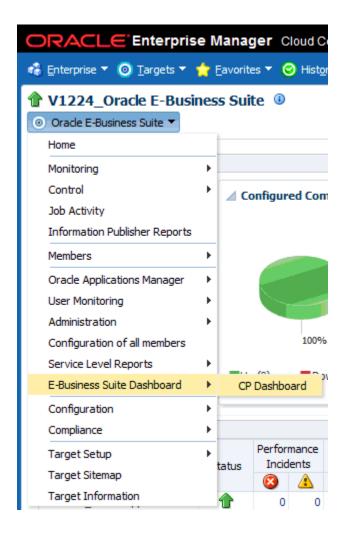
Extending the service dashboard feature provided by Cloud Control, Oracle E-Business Suite also has a dashboard which provides a brief summary of all service-related information. You can access it by selecting Service Level Reports >Oracle Application **Services** from the instance target menu.



## **Concurrent Processing Dashboard**

The Concurrent Processing Dashboard provides you with details in concurrent processing in your Oracle E-Business Suite system. The dashboard gives you a complete picture of concurrent processing on your system, both current activities as well as usage statistics.

To navigate to the Concurrent Processing Dashboard, select E-Business Suite **Dashboard** >**CP Dashboard** from the instance target menu.



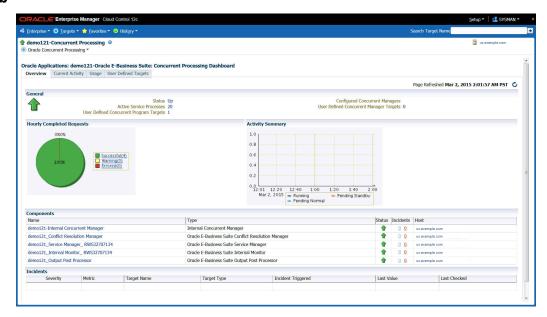
### **Discovery of Concurrent Processing Targets**

When you discover an Oracle E-Business Suite instance, the concurrent processing-related targets are discovered. This includes the Apps Listener, Internal Concurrent Manager, Output Post Processor, Internal Monitor, Service Manager, and Conflict Resolution Manager. The Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite supports the monitoring of parallel concurrent processing.

There is a provision to discover all concurrent managers during discovery of the Oracle E-Business Suite instance, although it is disabled by default. If needed, you can enable it by customizing the discovery. See the section Customization at the Instance Level in Customizing Discovery, page 4-7.

**Note:** Discovery of core managers and all concurrent managers are new features introduced in Release 12.1.0.4.0. This feature will not work if the agent is not at the same release level as the OMS.

#### **Overview Tab**



The Overview tab provides a summary of the concurrent processing infrastructure.

The General region includes details on the status of the concurrent processing service:

- Status The status is linked to the Concurrent Processing Service home page.
- Active Service Processes Number of active service processes.
- User-Defined Concurrent Program Targets Shows the total number of user-defined programs that are being monitored.
- Configured Concurrent Managers The number of configured concurrent managers.
- User Defined Concurrent Manager Targets Shows the total number of user-defined managers that are being monitored.

The Hourly Completed Requests region shows a pie chart for requests by status (Successful, Warning, and Errored).

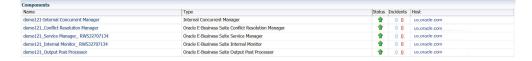
The Activity Summary graph illustrates active requests in the following statuses:

- Pending Normal
- Pending Standby
- Running

The Components region lists components of the Concurrent Processing service. The

table shows the following for each component:

- Name
- Type
- Status
- **Incidents**
- Host

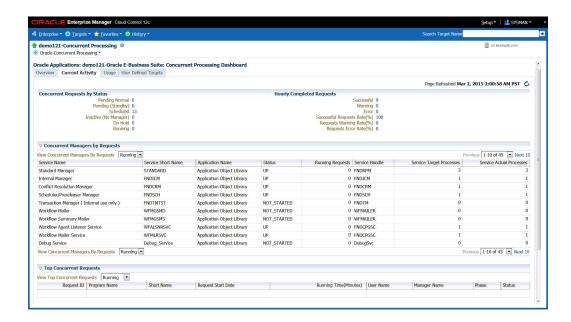


The Incidents region lists any incidents that were triggered recently, with the following information for each:

- Severity
- Metric
- Target Name
- Target Type
- Incident Triggered
- Last Value
- Last Checked

## **Current Activity Tab**

The Current Activity tab gives details of the concurrent processing that is taking place at any point in time.



The Concurrent Requests by Status region lists the number of requests for each status:

- Pending Normal
- Pending (Standby)
- Scheduled
- Inactive (No Manager)
- On Hold
- Running

Click on the number for a status to find out more about the metric trend.

The Hourly Completed Requests region lists statistics for requests that have completed in the past hour, including:

- Successful
- Warning
- Error
- Successful Requests Rate (%)
- Requests Warning Rate (%)
- Requests Error Rate (%)

Click on the number for each statistic to find out more details.

The Concurrent Managers by Requests lists all concurrent managers, in order of the number of requests it has in the specified status, either Running or Pending.

With "Running" selected, the following is shown for each concurrent manager:

- Service Name
- Service Short Name
- Application Name
- Status
- **Running Requests**
- Service Handle
- Service Target Processes
- Service Actual Processes

With "Pending" selected, the following is shown for each concurrent manager:

- Service Name
- Service Short Name
- **Application Name**
- Status
- Normal Pending Requests
- Standby Pending Requests
- Service Handle
- Service Target Processes
- Service Actual Processes

The Top Concurrent Requests region shows the top ten (10) requests for the specified status of Running, Pending, or Scheduled.

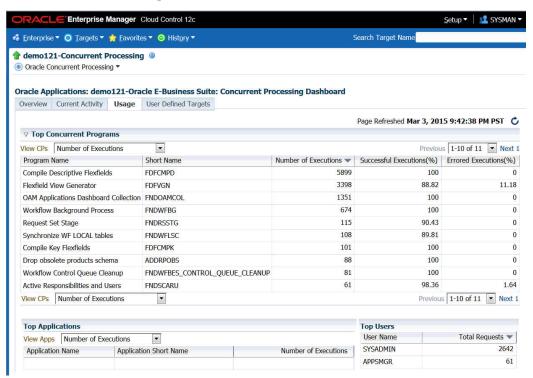
- Running These are sorted by running time in descending order.
- Pending These are sorted by running time in descending order.
- Scheduled These are sorted by their scheduled start time.

The Top Applications region lists the top ten (10) applications for running requests or pending requests, as specified.

The Top Users region lists the top ten (10) users by number of running or pending requests, as specified.

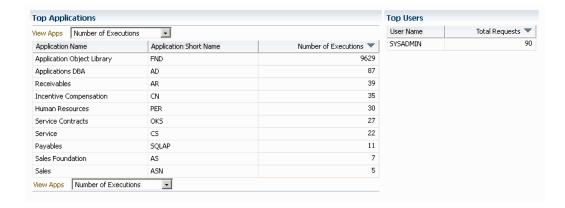
### **Usage Tab**

The Usage tab provides a summary of how the concurrent programs and managers have been utilized over a period of time.



The top ten (10) concurrent requests for the following categories are listed:

- Number of executions For this category, the total number of executions, the
  percentage (%) of successful executions, and the percentage (%) of errored
  executions are shown.
- Number of failed executions The number of executions, percentage (%) of failed executions, and percentage (%) of errored executions are shown.
- Average run time in minutes The number of executions, average running time (minutes), and total running time (minutes) are shown.
- Total run time in minutes The top ten (10) programs with the highest maximum running time are shown. For each program listed, the number of executions, total running time (minutes) and percentage (%) of successful executions are shown.



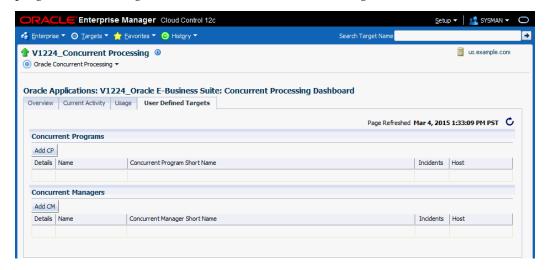
The top ten (10) applications for the following categories are listed:

- Number of Executions
- Number of Failed Executions

The top ten (10) users by total number of requests are also listed, in descending order of number of requests.

### **User Defined Targets Tab**

The User Defined Targets tab displays the details of the concurrent programs and managers being monitored. Use this tab to get information about the added concurrent programs and managers as well as to add more custom targets.



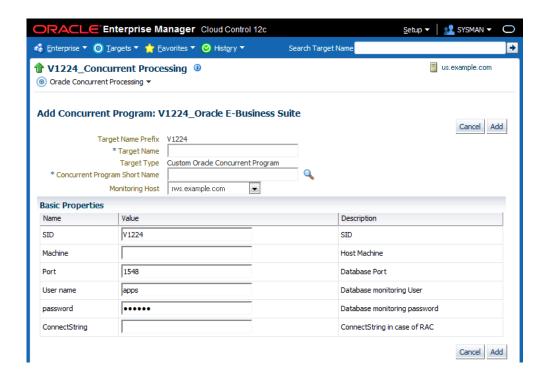
#### **Adding a Concurrent Program Target**

You can add a concurrent program custom target so that the system will collect metrics on activity and usage for the concurrent program.

- 1. To add a concurrent program custom target, navigate to the Concurrent Processing Dashboard, select the User Defined Targets tab, and click Add CP under Concurrent Programs.
- **2**. For your new target, define the following:
  - Target Name Prefix This value is determined by the system based on the instance name and cannot be updated.
  - Target Name Enter in a target name "suffix". The actual target name will be composed of the Target Name Prefix (above) and the value of this field.
  - Target Type The system automatically provides the value "Custom Oracle Concurrent Program".
  - Concurrent Program Short Name Use the LOV icon to search for and select the program short name. In searching for the program name you can search by concurrent program short name, concurrent program name, or application.
  - Monitoring Host

For the Basic Properties region, values for the following should default in. These values are used as credentials by the target for metrics collection:

- **SID**
- Machine
- Port
- (Database) User name
- (Database) Password
- ConnectString



When you are done, click **Add** to add the target.

#### Adding a Concurrent Manager Target

If you have decided not to discover all concurrent managers during discovery, you can add an individual concurrent manager custom target so that the system will collect metrics on activity and usage for requests run by the concurrent manager.

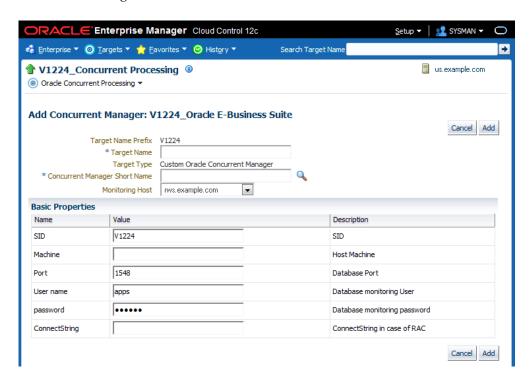
- To add a concurrent manager custom target, navigate from the Concurrent Processing Dashboard to the User Defined Targets tab and click Add CM under Concurrent Manager.
- For your new target, define the following:
  - Target Name Prefix This value is determined by the system based on the instance name and cannot be updated.
  - Target Name Enter in a target name "suffix". The actual target name will be composed of the Target Name Prefix (above) and the value of this field.
  - Target Type The system automatically provides the value "Custom Oracle Concurrent Manager".
  - Concurrent Manager Short Name Use the LOV icon to search for and select the concurrent manager short name. In searching for the manager name you can search by concurrent manager short name, concurrent manager name, or

application.

Monitoring Host

For the Basic Properties region, values for the following should default in. These values are used as credentials by the target for metrics collection:

- SID
- Machine
- Port
- (Database) User name
- (Database) Password
- ConnectString



When you are done, click **Add** to add the target.

### **Configuration of Concurrent Processing**

To view the concurrent processing configuration, go to the Concurrent Processing Dashboard. From the "Oracle Concurrent Processing" target menu, select Configuration >Last Collected.

Configuration data collected includes:

- General settings
- Specialization rules for concurrent managers
- Work shift for concurrent managers
- Profile options

## **Monitoring Concurrent Processing**

Metrics are collected to monitor the concurrent processing. These metrics are collected at three levels:

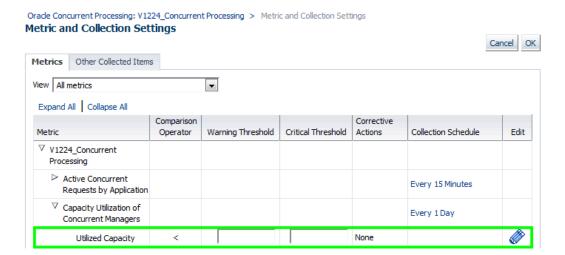
- The first level is on all concurrent processing in the instance, which covers all concurrent managers and programs.
- The second level is at the individual concurrent manager level.
- The third level is at the individual program level.

To see metrics for all concurrent processing in your instance, choose Monitoring >All Metrics from the instance target menu in the Concurrent Processing Dashboard.

To see metrics for a concurrent manager or concurrent program, go the **User Defined** tab and click on the name of the target to go to its home page. From the target menu on the home page, choose Monitoring >All Metrics.

#### **Monitoring Capacity Utilization of Concurrent Managers**

Every concurrent manager has a maximum number of processes that can be active at a given point of time. The metric Capacity Utilization of Concurrent Managers tracks this. It collects the utilized capacity as a percentage of maximum allowed. You can set an alert if the usage falls below a certain percentage. The metric is available for all concurrent processing in your instance and for individual managers.



#### Monitoring Running Requests Based on Time

The Running Requests metric, known as Long Running Requests in previous releases, is available for all concurrent processing, an individual concurrent manager and individual concurrent program and allows you to monitor requests that are running at a given time. You can set a threshold to receive alerts if the running time exceeds a predefined value.



#### Monitoring Long Running Requests as a Percentage of Average Runtime

You can raise an alert if the running time exceeds a certain percentage of the average running time of previous requests. The metric Tolerance Level For Long Running Request can be used to set this alert. The metric is available for all concurrent processing, the individual concurrent manager, and individual concurrent program.

▼ Tolerance Level For Long Running Request				Every 1 Hour	
Concurrent Manager					
Concurrent Program Name					
Concurrent Program Short Name					
Phase					
Request Start Date					
Running Time					
Status					
Tolerance on Average Execution Time(%)	>=		None		<i>(</i>

## **Monitoring Pending Requests Based on Time**

Requests that are pending can be monitored based on time. In former releases of the management pack, these metrics were referred to as Long Pending Requests. In 12.1.0.4.0, these metrics are called Pending Requests, categorized as either Normal or Standby. You can set alerts if the pending time exceeds a predefined threshold. The metric is available for all concurrent processing, the individual concurrent manager, and individual concurrent program.

<ul> <li>✓ Pending Requests (Normal)</li> </ul>				Every 1 Hour	
Concurrent Program Name					
Concurrent Program Short Name					
Normal Pending Time	>		None		Ø
Phase					
Request Start Date					
Status					
Username					
<ul> <li>✓ Pending Requests (Standby)</li> </ul>				Every 1 Hour	
Concurrent Program Name					
Concurrent Program Short Name					
Phase					
Request Start Date					
Standby Pending Time	>		None		Ø
Status					
Username					

## Monitoring the Number of In-Progress Requests by Status

The metric No. of Incomplete Requests by Status, formerly Concurrent Requests by Status in previous releases, can be used to set an alert if the number of inactive or pending requests exceeds a predefined limit. The metric is available for all concurrent processing and the individual concurrent program.

∇ No of Incomplete Requests by Status				Every 15 Minutes	
Concurrent Requests Inactive (No Manager)	>		None		
Concurrent Requests Inactive (On Hold)	>		None		
Concurrent Requests Pending (Normal)	>		None		
Concurrent Requests Pending (Standby)	>		None		
Concurrent Requests Running					
Concurrent Requests Scheduled					

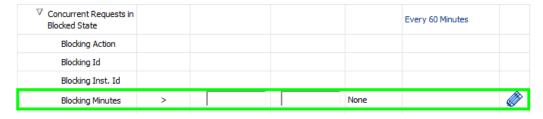
#### Monitoring the Number of Completed Requests by Status

Formerly known as Hourly Completed Requests in previous releases, the metric No. of Hourly Completed Requests by Status can be used to monitor and raise an alert if the number of requests completed (absolute and percentage) with warning or error exceeds a predefined limit. You can also raise an alert if the success rate falls below a predefined percentage. The metric is available for all concurrent processing and the individual concurrent program.

∇ No. of Hourly Completed Requests by Status				Every 60 Minutes	
Concurrent Requests Completed Successfully					
Concurrent Requests Completed With Error	>		None		
Concurrent Requests Completed With Warning	>		None		
Concurrent Requests Error Rate (%)	>		None		
Concurrent Requests Successful Requests Rate (%)	<		None		
Concurrent Requests Warning Rate (%)	>		None		

#### **Monitoring Blocked Concurrent Requests by Time**

You can raise an alert if a concurrent request is in blocked state due to a database lock. The metric Concurrent Requests in Blocked State can be used to set up this alert. The metric is available for all concurrent processing, the individual concurrent manager, and individual concurrent program.



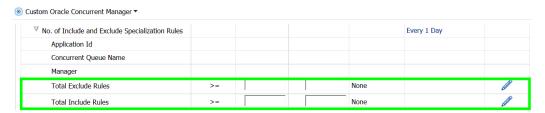
#### **Monitoring the Number of Blocked Requests**

You can raise an alert if the number of requests in blocked state due to database locks exceeds a predefined number. The metric No. of Concurrent Requests in Blocked State can be used to set this alert. The metric is available for all concurrent processing, the individual concurrent manager, and individual concurrent program.



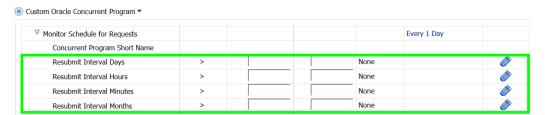
#### Monitoring Specialization Rules

Specialization Rules can be defined for concurrent managers to define what kind of requests a manager can process. Both inclusion and exclusion rules can be defined. There have been cases where the number of such rules defined were large and caused performance issues. The metric No. of Include and Exclude Specialization Rules allows you to raise alerts if the number of such rules exceeds a predefined limit. This metric is available only for the concurrent manager target.



#### Monitoring Schedule of Requests

If a concurrent program is not scheduled as a best practice recommendation, you can raise an alert. The metric Monitor Schedule for Requests can be used to raise this alert. You can specify the expected interval in days, months, hours or minutes. When specifying the interval, only one unit of measurement can be used at a time (for example, you cannot specify a combination of hours and minutes). This metric is available only for the concurrent program target.



#### **Monitoring Unscheduled Requests**

If it is mandatory for a concurrent program to be scheduled periodically and if it is not scheduled, you can raise an alert. The metric Unscheduled Requests can be used to raise this alert. This metric is available only for the concurrent program target. You must enter the value as 0 for the alert to be raised.



#### **Monitoring Request Sets**

The option to monitor requests set metrics is available only for concurrent processing in your instance.

#### **Monitoring Running Request Sets**

You can raise an alert if a request set is running for more than a predefined time. The metric Running Request Sets can be used to set this alert.



#### Monitoring a Request Set for Failure

You can raise an alert if a specific request set fails. The metric Failed Request Sets can be used to raise this alert.



#### **Monitoring Request Sets That Have Not Started**

You can raise an alert if a request set does not start as expected. The metric Not Started Request Sets can be used to set this alert.



#### Monitoring Request Sets That Are Not Scheduled

You can raise an alert if a request set is not scheduled. The metric Unscheduled Request Sets can be used to raise this alert.



#### **Monitoring Conflict Resolution Manager**

Metrics are collected to check the health of the Conflict Resolution Manager (CRM). You can raise an alert if:

- CRM is in an inactive state for a certain period of time
- CRM is in a blocked stated for a certain period of time

You can go to the home page of the Conflict Resolution Manager target by clicking on its name from the Components region in the Overview tab of the Concurrent Processing Dashboard.

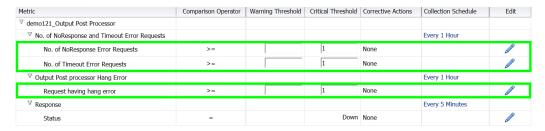


#### **Monitoring Output Post Processor**

Metrics are collected to check the health of the output post processor. Alerts will be raised if:

- Output post processor hangs
- If any request gets no response error
- If any request times out

You can go to the home page of the Output Post Processor target by clicking on its name from the Components region in the Overview tab of the Concurrent Processing Dashboard.



## Oracle E-Business Suite Summary on the Exalogic Dashboard

You can add an Oracle E-Business Suite Summary region for instances running on Exalogic machines to enable monitoring for these instances.

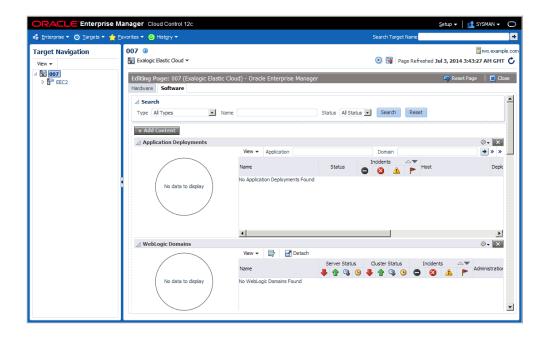
This region contains:

- A pie graph for consolidated status of Oracle E-Business Suite targets.
- A summary table that shows name of the Oracle E-Business Suite instance, status, incidents, configured components, service, compliance violations.

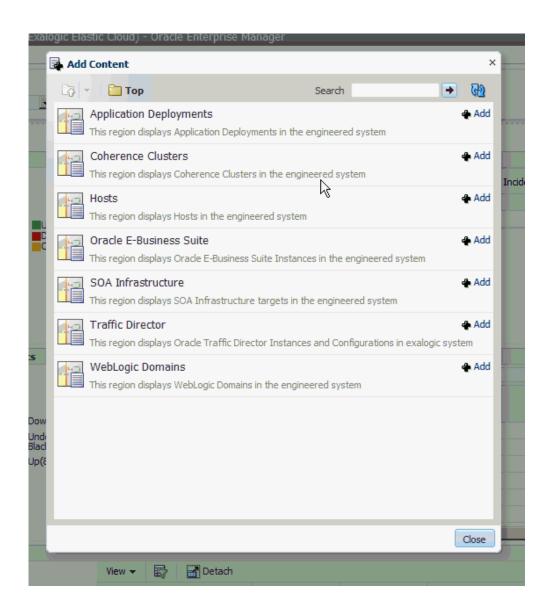


To add an Oracle E-Business Suite summary region on the Exalogic dashboard, perform the following steps:

- Click on the global menu Targets >Exalogic. The landing page with all the discovered Exalogic instances should be displayed.
- Click on any instance. The Exalogic dashboard should be displayed.
- Click on the personalization page icon. The page should become editable.



Click on the Add Content button for a list of available regions. Click the Add icon for Oracle E-Business Suite Instances to add the region.



#### Click **Close** to exit the editable page.

To remove the Oracle E-Business Suite summary region from the Exalogic dashboard, click on the personalization page icon and the page should become editable. Click on the cross icon (X) on the top right side of the region to remove the Oracle E-Business Suite summary region.

To change the location of the Oracle E-Business Suite summary region, click on the View Action Menu icon on the top right side of the region and click Move Up/Move Down to rearrange the region on the Exalogic dashboard.

## **End-To-End Performance Monitoring with RUEI and JVMD**

The management pack now integrates seamlessly with Real User Experience Insight

(RUEI) and Java Virtual Machine Diagnostics (JVMD) for monitoring performance of transactions. RUEI understands how users are interacting with your product. Using the measurements that RUEI collects, you can assess the effectiveness of user interface design, the responsiveness of web servers and the internet, and the success of user operations. JVMD looks at the finest details of code execution and to identify problems like race conditions, blocked threads, and memory leaks. To learn more about RUEI and JVMD, see Part VI - Monitoring Application Performance of Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control Getting Started with Oracle Fusion Middleware Management Plug-in.

### **Supported Oracle E-Business Suite Versions**

This feature works only for Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2 and above, where the middle tier is deployed on the WebLogic Server.

### **Prerequisites**

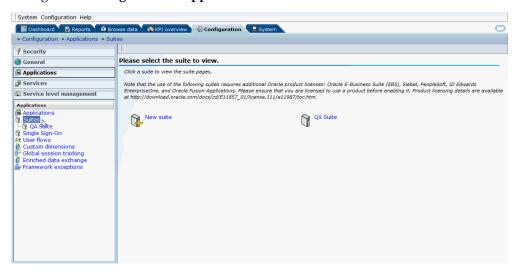
- Discover the Oracle E-Business Suite instance To perform end-to-end monitoring first discover the Oracle E-Business Suite instance in the management pack
- Install Java Virtual Machine Diagnostics Deploy the JVMD Manager (JVM Diagnostics Engine) in Enterprise Manager. For information, see "Installing JVM Diagnostics" in Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control Basic Installation Guide
- Deploy JVMD Agent on the WLS server of the Oracle E-Business Suite instance -For information, see "Installing JVM Diagnostics" in Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control Basic Installation Guide.
- Register the Oracle E-Business Suite Database with JVMD After the JVMD agent is deployed on the respective Oracle E-Business Suite application server, and once it is ready to diagnose JVM issues, then you need to register the database of the relevant Oracle E-Business Suite with the JVMD engine. This step is required in order to navigate to the database diagnostics page from JVMD pages.
  - Navigate to Setup > Middleware Management > Application Performance Management.
  - Select the row **JVM Diagnostics Engines** and click on **Configure**.
  - Click on the **Register Databases** tab.
  - Click on Add Database Instance, and select the respective Oracle E-Business Suite database instance and click on Select.
- **Install Real User Experience Insight** For information, see the *Oracle Real User* Experience Insight Installation Guide.

## **Setting up End-to-End Monitoring**

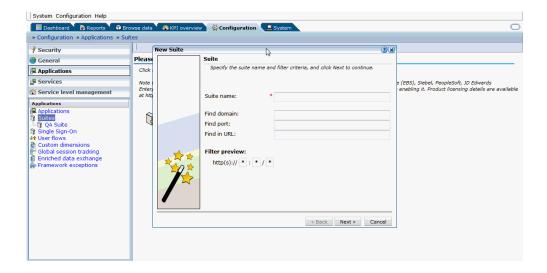
#### **Configure Oracle E-Business Suite in RUEI:**

Real User Experience Insight can be configured to support drilling down to JVM Diagnostics. For example, if a page is taking too much time to load, RUEI will detect it. You can then drill down from RUEI to JVMD and find out the root cause of why the page is hanging.

- Log in to RUEI.
- Navigate to **Configuration >Applications >Suites**.



Click on New Suite. A "New Suite" window opens.

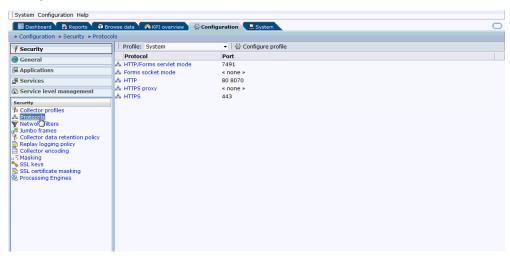


- Enter a suite name. This is the name that can be used to uniquely identify an Oracle E-Business Suite in RUEI. Provide any name that uniquely defines the Oracle E-Business Suite instance being configured.
- 5. Provide the domain name and port of the Oracle E-Business Suite applications URL in the Find Domain and Find Port fields. For instance, if http://domain.abc.com:8080/AppsLogin is your Oracle E-Business Suite applications URL, "domain.abc.com" will be the domain field value and 8080 will be the port field value.
- Enter '\*' in the Find in URL field. This entry means that any request to the Oracle E-Business Suite applications URL will be monitored. Alternatively, you can provide some patterns so that only those URLs that match the given pattern will be monitored. Click Next.
- 7. Enter "E-Business Suite" as the Suite Type and click Finish. The newly-created suite appears on the page.
- Click on the created suite name.
- Click on the **Advanced** tab.
- 10. Click on the Enterprise Manager subtab.
- 11. Click on 'n/a' for Enterprise name. In the name field, provide the name of the Oracle E-Business Suite instance that is discovered in Enterprise Manager where you want to drill down to JVMD or the Oracle E-Business Suite search user sessions pages. For example, "tst1223\_Oracle E-Business Suite".



#### **Configure Protocols:**

Navigate to **Configuration > Security > Protocols**.



Based on the Oracle E-Business Suite instance protocol (http/https), click on the respective protocol and provide/add the respective port on which Oracle E-Business Suite is up and running. You can also provide the port on which forms are running in the respective protocols.

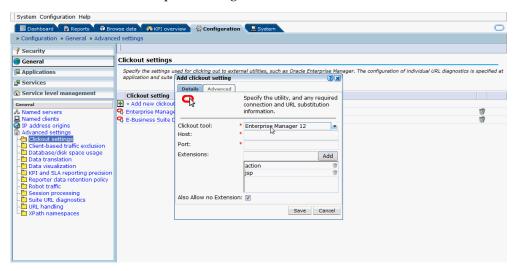
#### Configure Link for RUEI to EM:

In diagnosing an issue in RUEI, it is possible to drill down to JVM Diagnostics in Enterprise Manager, if the EM instance is linked to RUEI. Use these steps to link RUEI to EM:

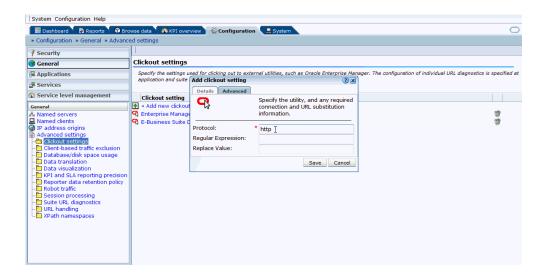
Click on Configuration > General > Advanced Settings > Clickout Settings. Click on Add new clickout setting.



Select the version of Enterprise Manager in the clickout tool list.



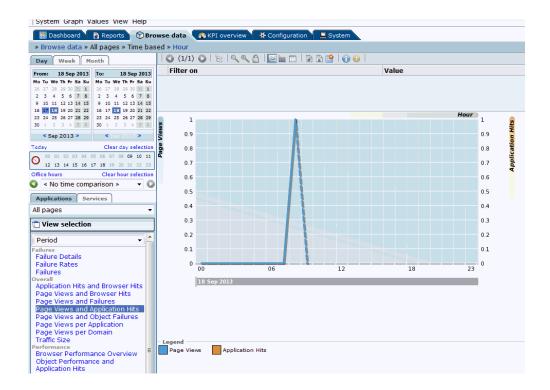
- Provide host and port values of the Enterprise Manager instance.
- Click on **Advanced**. Provide the protocol (http/https).



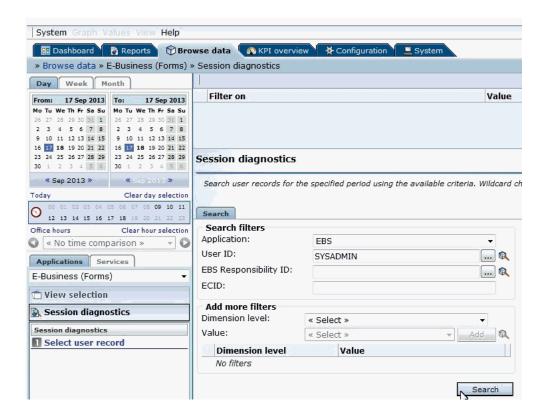
- Click on Save.
- After linking, you should be able to see the link "Inspect in Enterprise Manager" when right-mouse-clicking on any session activity in the Browse data tab.

# **Analyzing a Performance Issue**

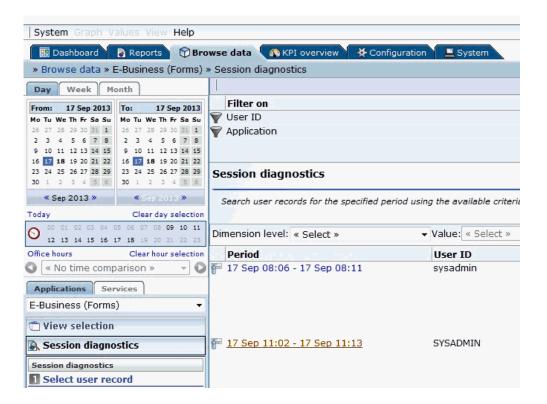
1. Log in to RUEI screen and click on Browse data tab.



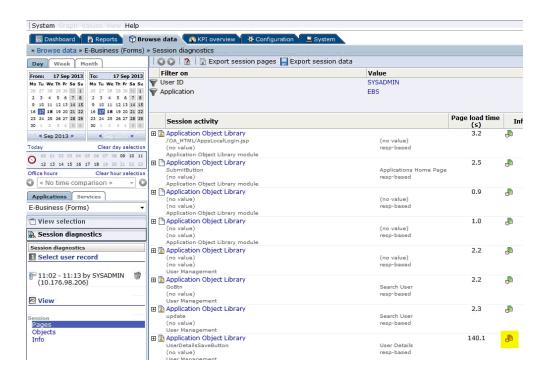
- Select the date on the left hand side to filter the data accordingly. Select E-Business (Forms) from the drop-down list below Applications tab.
- Click on the **Session Diagnostics** tab below the list mentioned in the above step. 3.
- Select the EBS suite name configured in section "Configure Oracle E-Business Suite in RUEI" from the Application drop down. If you are trying to search for sessions of a specific user ID, EBS responsibility ID, or ECID, select the values accordingly from the respective drop down fields. Not all values need to be selected for each drop-down list to perform the search.
- Click on **Search**.



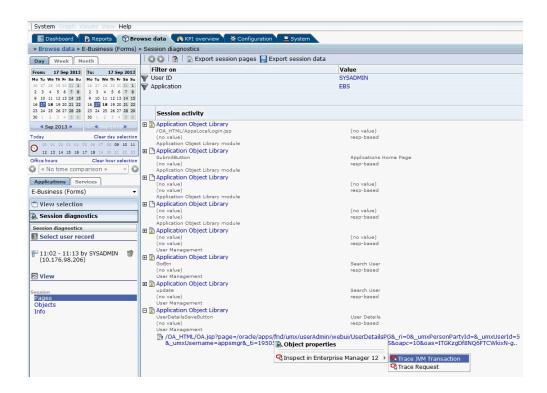
Click on a session link.



7. Multiple session activities are displayed. Check the Info column. A red-colored icon identifies that the session activity ended with some error or is hanging.



Right click on that session activity, click on **Inspect in EM 12C >Trace JVM request**.



This will take you to the EM screen where after logging in, you will be taken to JVMD screen directly based on the failed session activity's ECID.

## **Drilling Down from RUEI to the Plug-in**

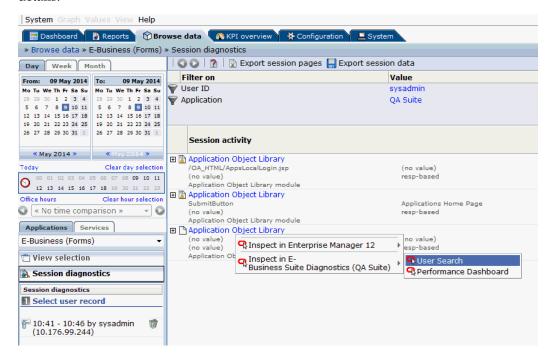
You can drill down to the Oracle E-Business Suite Plug-in from RUEI to monitor user sessions.

### Configure link for RUEI to drill down to the plug-in:

- Navigate to Configuration > General > Advanced Settings > Clickout Settings. Click on Add New Clickout Setting.
- Select E-Business Suite Diagnostics in the click out tool list.
- Provide host and port values of the Enterprise Manager instance.
- Click on **Advanced** and provide the protocol (http/https).
- Click on Save.
- After creating this link, you should be able to see the link "Inspect in EBS Diagnostics" when you right-click any session activity in the **Browse data** tab.

## Monitoring User Sessions by drilling down from RUEI:

Once the "Inspect in EBS Diagnostics" link is available, select the child menu User Search to drill down to the management pack. You will see the active sessions of the Oracle E-Business Suite user like Concurrent Processing (CP), Forms, and Oracle Application Framework (OAF) sessions. You can drill down to each session to get the details.



## **Custom Metrics**

You can create custom metrics in case it is not covered by the metrics shipped out of the box.

- Navigate to Enterprise >Monitoring >Metric Extensions. 1.
- Click Create > Metric Extension.
- Select Applicable to as Oracle E-Business Suite.
- Select Adapter as SQL.
- Define the query. Define columns in next step.
- Add any target and test. Query will hit this EBS target.
- Submit. 7.

- Select the metric you created, **Actions** >**Save As Deployable Draft**.
- Select the metric you created, Actions > Publish Metric Extension.
- 10. Select the metric you created, **Actions > Deploy to Targets**.
- Select any target and deploy.

For more details, see "Using Metric Extensions" in Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control Administrator's Guide.

## **Custom Compliance Rules**

Follow these steps to create custom compliance rules.

- Navigate to **Enterprise >Compliance >Library**.
- Create > Repository Rule.
- In Applicable to, select **Oracle E-Business Suite**.
- Define Query, violation condition and other details.
- Make sure that query has target\_guid as the first column.
- Click Test and Submit.
- 7. Now you can map this rule to a custom standard and then the custom standard to a custom framework.
  - Please note that System defined compliance objects are non-editable. You cannot map any compliance object to any System defined compliance object. However, you can use Create Like to create a copy of a System defined object and then edit that.
- 8. You can always edit a custom compliance object and map rule to standard, standard to framework.

For more details, see "Managing Compliance" in Oracle Enterprise Manager Lifecycle Management Administrator's Guide.

# **Configuration Management**

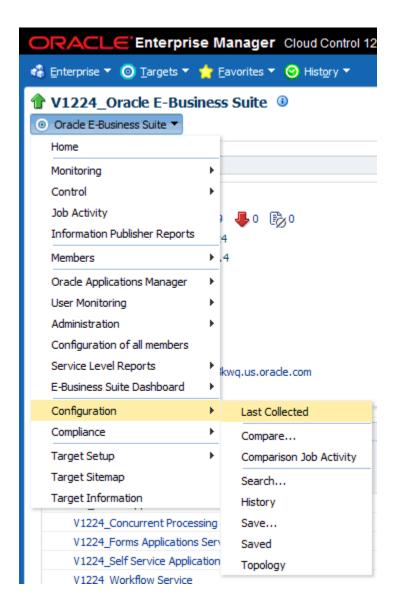
This chapter covers the following topics:

Configuration Details of Oracle E-Business Suite Technology Stack

# Configuration Details of Oracle E-Business Suite Technology Stack

Application Management Pack collects Oracle E-Business Suite technology stack configuration information at regular intervals. Customers can modify the collection frequency. Customers can view the configuration and compare the configurations using time-based configuration snapshots or compare configurations between multiple Oracle E-Business Suite instances.

You can get the details of how the Oracle E-Business Suite instance is configured by looking at the configuration metrics collected for the Oracle E-Business Suite target. Select **Configuration** > **Last Collected** from the instance target menu.



## Configuration of all members

To see the configuration of each member target of Oracle E-Business Suite, you would have to go to the home page of each target and follow the navigation path mentioned above. As this would be inconvenient, the Configuration of all members page simplifies this task. You will get a link to see configuration of all members in one place. Select Configuration of all members from the Oracle E-Business Suite target menu.



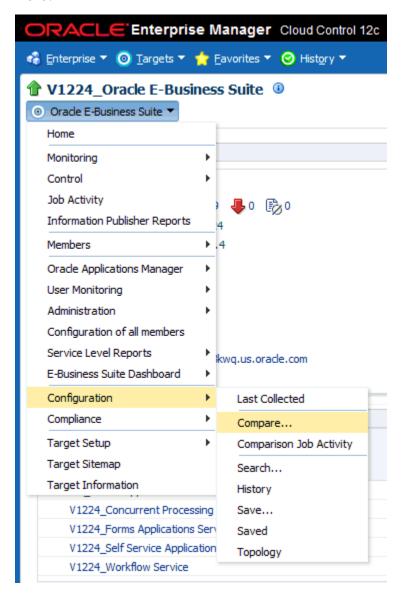
Here you can see the links to see the last collected configuration of all member targets grouped as nodes, host, services, and so on. You can search for any context variable by clicking the Search Context Variable button. You can also search for patches applied and patch set information.

## **Comparing Configurations**

Comparing configurations is very important while managing Oracle E-Business Suite targets. You may be able to spot configuration differences between two Oracle E-Business Suite instances that are supposed to be identical or you may be able to find differences in configuration caused by human error or patching activities. You can compare the configuration of one or more Oracle E-Business Suite instances. You can also compare configuration snapshots taken on different dates and times. By comparing configurations, you can ensure consistency across all of your Oracle E-Business Suite systems, troubleshoot issues, or keep track of configurations for tracking and auditing purposes.

To compare configurations select **Configuration > Compare** from the instance target

menu.



## **Configuration Comparison Templates**

In Enterprise Manager, a comparison template is an example for fine-tuning a comparison of like configurations. A template is associated with a specific target type, which determines the configuration item types, items, and properties to be compared. A set of default templates ships ready-to-use to support certain target types. A template enables you to establish specific settings to take into account when comparing configurations of the given target type; for example, which property differences to ignore and which property differences trigger an alert. For more information on comparison templates, see the *Oracle Enterprise Manager Lifecycle Management Administrator's Guide*.

The Oracle E-Business Suite plug-in includes a set of comparison templates for the following target types:

- Oracle E-Business Suite
- Oracle E-Business Suite Node
- Oracle Concurrent Manager
- Oracle E-Business Suite Custom Objects
- Oracle E-Business Suite Patch Information
- Oracle E-Business Suite Workflow

These templates will be available once the Oracle E-Business Suite plug-in is deployed. You can use these templates to compare the configurations of similar target types without creating new comparison templates.

You can use these templates as-is, or as a guideline. For example, you might decide that an existing comparison template, with just a few changes, can meet your requirements. Perhaps a shipped template ignores property differences that you are concerned about. In this case, you can use the "Create Like" feature to make the adjustments to the existing template and save the new template under a different name.

## Using a configuration comparison template

Click on Enterprise >Configuration >Compare.

In the Search region, select one of the above target types in the Target Type List. Click on the **Search** button.

Select the configuration against which other configurations will be compared. Click Next.

Click Add Configuration to select a single or multiple configurations to compare with the first. Click Next.

Select the template with the same name as the target type. In the same page you can view the template settings and member settings of the comparison template.

#### Click Submit.

Check the comparison result. The comparison report should adhere to the selected template rules. That is, if there are any ignored members or properties present from comparison, the same properties/members should not be present in the result report.

#### Creating a copy of an existing comparison template

Click on Enterprise > Configuration > Comparison Templates. Select an existing template's row and click Create Like. Give the new template a name and edit the copy of the template.

## **Configuration Management During Online Patching**

#### Tracking configuration changes in the run edition during online patching

Once you initiate a patching cycle by starting the prepare phase, you need to keep track of the configuration changes that are happening in the run edition. These changes will not be present in the new run edition once the cutover is performed. Doing this tracking manually is error prone. Configuration comparison is there for the rescue. You must follow the steps as follows:

## Refresh the configuration of Oracle E-Business Suite before initiating the prepare phase

Go to the home page of the Oracle E-Business Suite instance and refresh the configuration data to the latest value. See the section Viewing Configuration Data in the Enterprise Manager Lifecycle Management Administrator's Guide.

#### Save the latest configuration

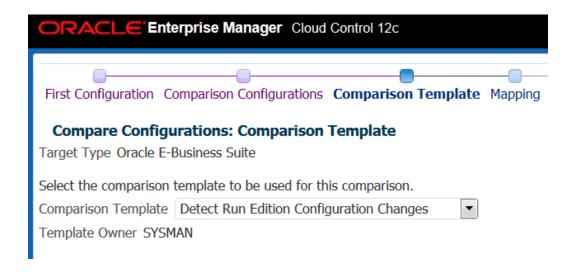
Go to the home page of the Oracle E-Business Suite instance and save the latest configuration. Give an appropriate name. This will be used to compare with the configuration which will be collected after patching is complete. See the section Working with Saved Configurations in the Enterprise Manager Lifecycle Management Administrator's Guide.

## Refresh and save the configuration again before initiating the cutover

Once the patching is over, before starting the cutover, refresh and save the latest configuration of the Oracle E-Business Suite instance.

#### Compare the two configurations

Now that you have the configurations collected before and after the patching cycle, compare it with the template by the name Detect run edition configuration changes to get the details of the changes which were implemented.



This template compares the configurations of the following targets in an Oracle E-Business Suite instance:

- Oracle E-Business Suite
- Oracle E-Business Suite node
- Forms WebLogic server
- Self-service Applications WebLogic server
- Oracle HTTP server

You can download the differences as a spreadsheet. See the section Understanding the Comparison Wizard in the Enterprise Manager Lifecycle Management Administrator's Guide

**Important:** In an Oracle E-Business Suite instance featuring online patching, all patch edition targets are blacked out except for the node target. This is to prevent false alerts as the patch edition is supposed to be down. The node target is not blacked out because that target is used to collect metrics to detect a cutover and trigger corrective actions. See the section Monitoring Online Patching to Detect Cutover, page 8-21.

So, while comparing the configuration, the configuration of the patch edition node target will also show up as it is not blacked out. You must ignore it. In the Mapping compartment of the configuration comparison wizard, search for the target Oracle E-Business Suite Node. Check the box in the Ignore column for patch edition nodes and node system. You must also ignore the database nodes and node system because there is no run and patch editions.

## Tracking configuration changes introduced by a patch

Configuration comparison capabilities of Enterprise Manager can help you get the details of configuration changes introduced by patching. Follow the steps below:

1. Refresh and save the configuration.

First, you must refresh and save the configuration before initiating the patching cycle, as mentioned in the above section. Once the patching cycle is complete, refresh and save the configuration again.

### 2. Compare the configurations.

Compare with the template Compare Run and Patch Edition Configurations. Here, we are comparing only the node target because that is the only target that is not blacked out in the patch edition.



#### 3. Map run and patch editions.

When you perform the comparison between configurations collected for an Oracle E-Business Suite instance at different intervals, by default, the configuration of same targets are compared. In this case, the default mapping is to compare configurations of run edition node, which was collected before initiating the patching cycle, with the one collected before initiating the cutover. Since we want to know the changes that took place in the patch edition due to the patching cycle, we have to create the mapping to compare between the run and patch editions and ignore the default.

In the mapping compartment of the comparison wizard, use the **Create Mapping** button and link the run edition node target to the patch edition node target.

You must ignore the following mappings:

- Between run to run App nodes
- Between database nodes

**Note:** When the comparison report is shown, it will show all targets. You must filter the search to show only those targets where differences were found in the configuration.

# **Administering Oracle E-Business Suite**

This chapter covers the following topics:

- Administration of Oracle E-Business Suite Overview
- Oracle E-Business Suite Instance Administration Procedure

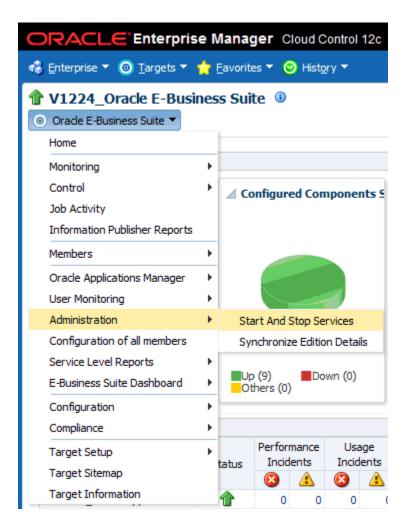
## Administration of Oracle E-Business Suite Overview

## **Starting and Stopping Services**

You can start and stop the components running on each node using the Administration menu. Select Administration > Start and Stop Services from the instance target menu (labeled "Oracle E-Business Suite"). All application nodes will be shown with the targets running in them. You can select individual target or a node (which means you are selecting all targets running on that node) and start or stop it. ICM does not show up under a specific node because we can start and stop it from any node where it is enabled. If the Oracle E-Business Suite instance features Online Patching, only run editions targets will be shown.

Jobs will be submitted to start and stop services. The details and status of these jobs can be tracked through standard Enterprise Manager Job screens.

Note: For Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2, you cannot perform any action if a cutover is detected.



### **Privileges Need to Start and Stop Services**

An administrator must have the EM\_ALL\_ADMINISTRATOR role to run the jobs to start and stop components. In addition, an administrator must have the "Start and Stop Services" privilege to start and stop services.

For more information on privileges and roles, see: Privileges and Roles for Managing Oracle E-Business Suite, page 7-1.

## **Credentials Needed to Start and Stop Services**

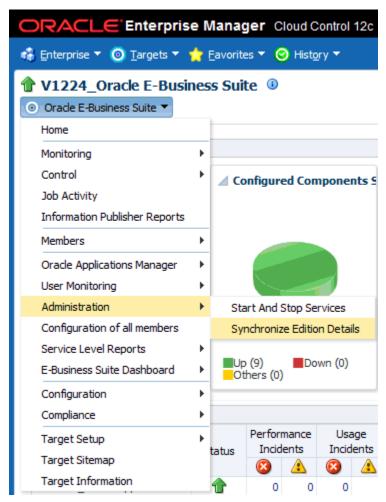
- The preferred credential must be set for Oracle E-Business Suite node for the credential set OS Credentials.
- The preferred credential must be set for Oracle E-Business Suite for the credential set AppsDBCredsSet.

For more information on preferred credentials, see: Setting Oracle E-Business Suite Preferred Credentials, page 5-1.

## Manual Synchronization of Editions

When monitoring an Oracle E-Business Suite instance that features Online Patching, the plug-in ensures that only the run edition targets are monitored after a cutover. This is achieved through a corrective actions job which will black out the patch edition targets. The corrective actions are triggered based on the metrics collected about the patching activity. In case if they fail to trigger, the plug-in will end up monitoring the wrong file system. Corrective actions will not be triggered until the next cutover. Therefore, if the user observes that the plug-in is monitoring the wrong file system, the user must manually trigger the corrective actions job.

Navigate to **Administration >Synchronize Edition Details** in the instance target menu.



By synchronizing the edition details, this will ensure that the plug-in monitors the run edition only. This job will exit gracefully if the correct file system is being monitored. The same UI will also show the details of previous submissions for the same purpose.

## Privilege Propagation with Administration Groups

An administration group in Enterprise Manager is a special kind of group wherein the target members can be added automatically based on certain target properties of the members. When target properties match with administrative group specifications, then the target is automatically added to that administration group. A privilege defined for an administrative group is also set for all the member targets. A target must have the ability to accept privilege propagation to be part of administration group, otherwise the privileges cannot be set for the members of that target. Beginning with Release 12.1.0.4.0, all Oracle E-Business Suite targets can be part of administration groups and allow privilege propagation.

For more information on administration groups in Enterprise Manager, see the Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control Administrator's Guide.

**Important:** To use this functionality, an administrator must have both Full Any Target and Create Privilege Propagating Group target privileges to be able to create an Administration Group.

#### How to create an administration group in Enterprise Manager

- From the Enterprise Manager console, navigate to **Targets**.
- From the list, choose **Groups**.
- Select **Create** on the left side.
- Select **Administration Group** from the list.
- 5. Define the Administration Group's target properties. Choose one or more target properties by clicking on Add in Hierarchy Levels table.
- **6.** Specify the target property value(s) by adding in the Hierarchy Nodes table.
- 7. Click **Create** to save your work and create the group.

#### How to add targets as members of an administration group

Once an administration group is created, members can be added by specifying member properties as that are of the group. For an Oracle E-Business Suite instance, the following steps are used to set the target properties.

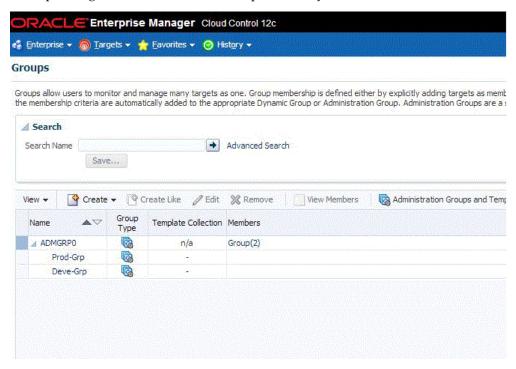
- Navigate to **Targets** from the Enterprise Manager console.
- From the list, choose Oracle E-Business Suite.

- Select an instance by clicking on it.
- From the instance target menu, choose **Target Setup**.
- Select **Properties**.
- Set the target property value to one of the values specified in the Administration Group page by clicking on the **Edit** button.
- To save, click **OK**.
- To view the Administration group members, go back to Targets and then Groups.

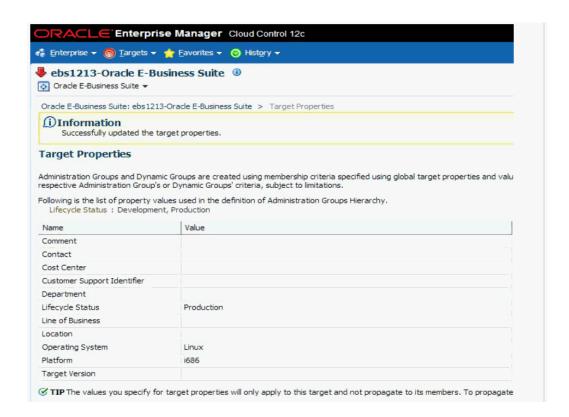
You can now see the Oracle E-Business Suite instance and members added to the administration group created earlier and also in the corresponding subgroup based on the value of target property chosen.

#### Example

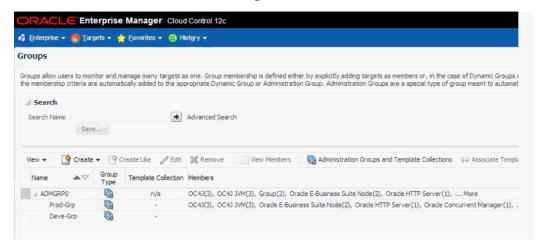
In this example, we have created an administration group with two subgroups corresponding to Production and Development lifecycle statuses.



We set the Lifecycle status of an Oracle E-Business Suite instance to Production.



The Oracle E-Business Suite target members are added to the group automatically and to the Production level as shown in the figure below.



## **Oracle E-Business Suite Instance Administration Procedure**

## **Brief Description**

The Oracle E-Business Suite Instance Administration feature provides the option to

modify the existing Oracle E-Business Suite instance in the following ways:

- Add/Remove application tier nodes
- Enable/Disable service groups in each application node
- Create/Delete managed servers in each application node (For Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12 only)

## Required Setup

Oracle E-Business Suite Instance Administration requires Perl 5.005 or later on the Oracle Enterprise Manager agent. The user who starts the agent processes must set the PERL5LIB environment variable to point to the Perl 5.005 (or later) libraries. Also, the Perl executable 5.005 must be used.

All virtual internet protocol (VIP) addresses configured in the Oracle Cluster Ready Services (CRS) of the target nodes identified for the created RAC instance must be up and running.

The OS utilities make, ld, cc, and ar must be in the environment PATH variable in all host targets. If not, please update the PATH variable accordingly and restart the agent in the same terminal.

## **Prerequisites**

Before starting Oracle E-Business Suite Instance Administration, please make sure the following prerequisites are met:

#### **Oracle E-Business Suite Instance Prerequisites**

- The Oracle E-Business Suite instance to be modified must be up and healthy.
- The instance should have been discovered in Enterprise Manager and the status must not be pending.
- The instance should have had AutoConfig run successfully. It is mandatory that AutoConfig was successfully run on the source applications tier and source database tier.
- At the time of running the Oracle E-Business Suite instance, the etc/oraInst.loc must point to the correct oraInventory.

**Note:** On some platforms such as Solaris, the variable is /var/opt/oracle/oraInst.loc.

#### Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite Prerequisites

All database hosts and application tier hosts should have "Oracle E-Business Suite

Plug-in" deployed before starting Oracle E-Business Suite Instance Administration.

#### **User Privileges**

• User privileges for the Cloning module are also applicable to Oracle E-Business Suite instance administration.

## **Navigation to Oracle E-Business Suite Instance Administration**

Oracle E-Business Suite Instance Administration can be accessed through the Oracle E-Business Suite home page or from the Procedure Library.

### From the Oracle E-Business Suite home page

Go to the Oracle E-Business Suite Management page and expand the Administer menu, then select Instance Administration.

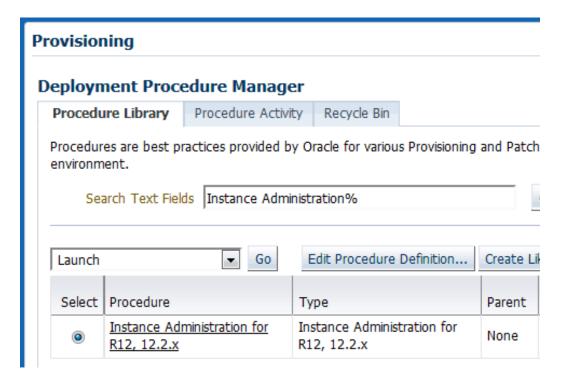


#### From the Procedure Library

Navigate to the Procedure Library from the Enterprise menu >Provisioning and Patching > Procedure Library.



Search for and select the "Instance Manager for Oracle E-Business Suite" procedure and click the Launch button.



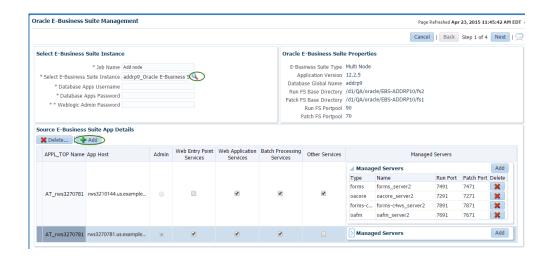
#### How to submit an Oracle E-Business Suite Instance Administration procedure

From the Oracle E-Business Suite Instance Administration start page, follow the steps below to submit an Oracle E-Business Suite Instance Administration procedure:

- 1. Select the Oracle E-Business Suite instance: This will display the application and database node information.
- **2**. Verify the current Oracle E-Business Suite details.

Then, enter the following data:

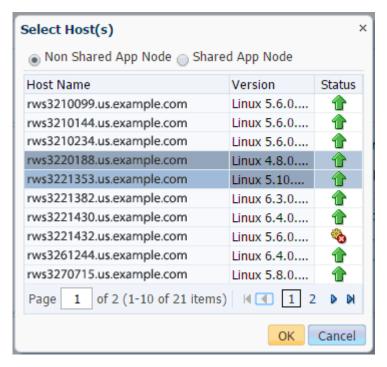
- Job name: Name of the current job to be submitted
- Database Apps username
- Database Apps password
- For Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2 only: WebLogic password



Manage the application nodes.

To add application nodes:

In the Application Nodes panel, click the **Add** button, which pops up a list of hosts.



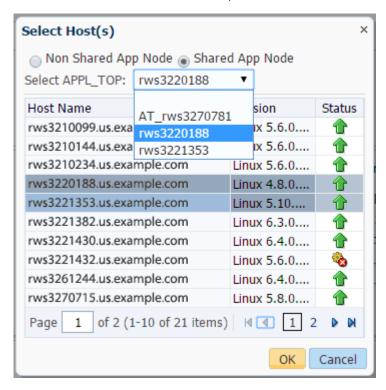
Select one or more hosts to be added, then click **OK**.

For Release 12.2 only: To add an application node as a shared file system node:

In the Add Host pop-up, select the "Shared App Node" radio button and

APPL\_TOP drop-down.

Select one or more hosts to be added, then click **OK**.



To delete application nodes:

- Select one ore more rows in the Application Nodes table.
- In the Application Nodes panel, click on the **Delete** button, which pops up a list of hosts.

To update the service groups of each application node:

- The user will be able to update the following service groups for each node:
  - Web Entry Point Service Group: To enable following services in the current node:
    - OHS, OPMN
  - Web Application Service Group: To enable following services in the current node:
    - oacore, forms, oafm, tns\_apps
    - For Release 12.2 only: forms-c4ws, oaea

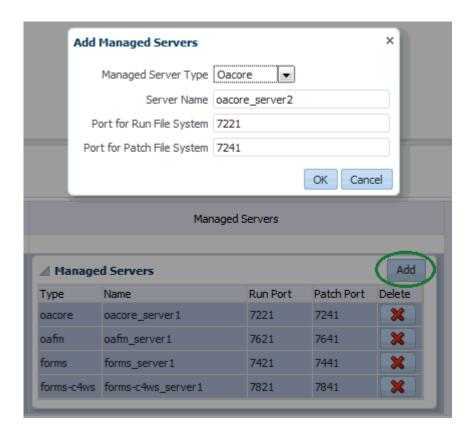
- Batch Processing Service Group: To enable following services in the current node:
  - Concurrent Manager, ICSM, JTFF
- Other Services: To enable following services in the current node:
  - forms\_server, met\_cl, met\_srv, mwa\_srv
- For Release 12.2 only: Admin To enable WebLogic Admin Server in the current node.
- For Releases earlier than 12.2.x only: Root Service Group To enable Node Manager in the current node.

**Note:** For Release 12.2, the node manager will automatically be enabled if the Web Application Service Group is enabled.



For Release 12.2 only: Updating managed servers:

- When a user selects "Web Application Services," default managed servers will automatically be populated.
- Users can delete/add managed servers as shown below:



Modify the stage directory details.

If the user has added at least one new node, this option will appear.

Manual copy: If a user wants to copy files manually / file system on the new application node is already present.

Automatic copy: This option allows users to automatically copy files from the Admin node to the new application nodes. Users can choose from one of the copy methods described below:

- Remote file transfer: When in the Admin node, new application nodes do not have any shared storage mounted.
- Shared file system storage: When in the Admin node, new application nodes are on different hosts and have a common storage location mounted across.

Enter the stage directory path.

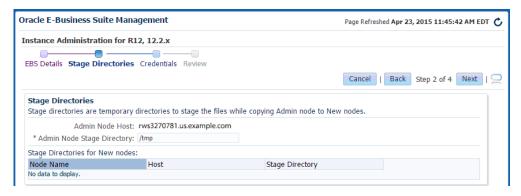
Enter the absolute path for the Admin Host stage directory.

Also, enter the absolute path of the stage directories for new application host(s).

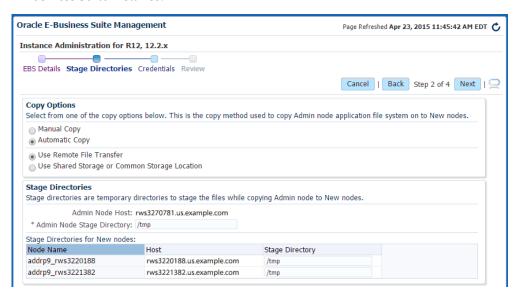
Note: Make sure this directory has write permissions. Also, the

stage directory has sufficient space to hold a complete course file system (Approximately 15GB - 20GB or more free space is required, depending on the source application file system).

The following shows when the user did not add any application nodes to the existing Oracle E-Business Suite instance:



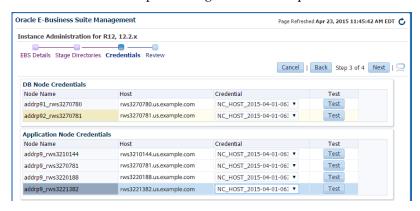
The next image shows when the user had added 2 new nodes to the existing Oracle E-Business Suite instance:



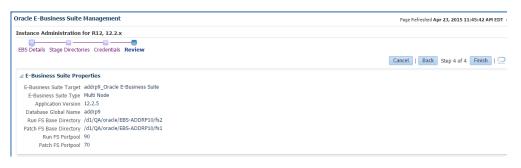
- The following host credentials need to be defined:
  - Database node credentials: This table lists all the database nodes.
  - Application node credentials: This table contains all the application node hosts.

Note: It is recommended that you verify your entries and click on

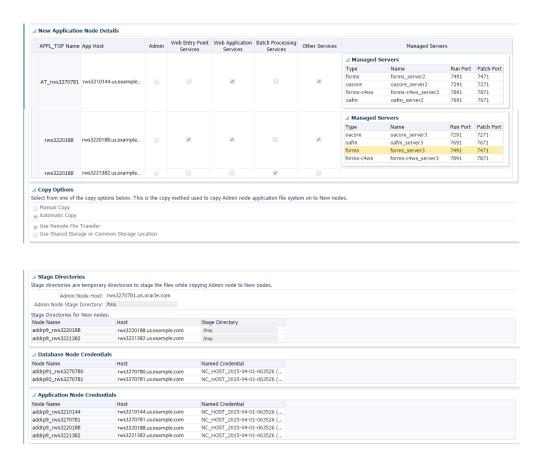
the Test button before proceeding to the next step.



The last step displays the data which was entered by the user. Review and click on the Finish button to submit the clone.





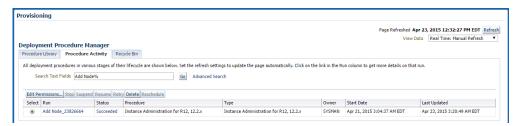


## Viewing the status of a submitted Instance Administration procedure

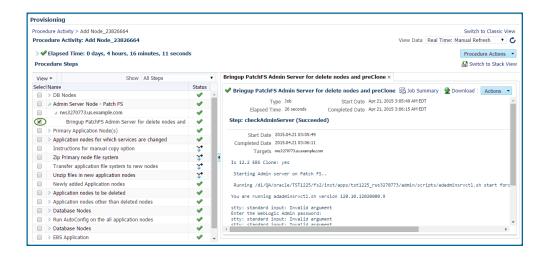
Open the Procedure Activity page by navigating to the Enterprise menu > Provisioning and Patching > Procedure Activity.



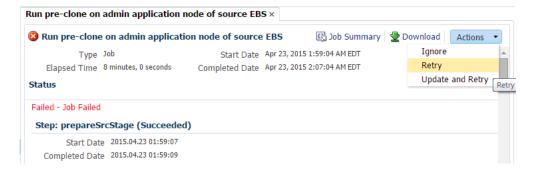
2. Enter the Job Name that was provided when the procedure was submitted into the Search field and click Go.



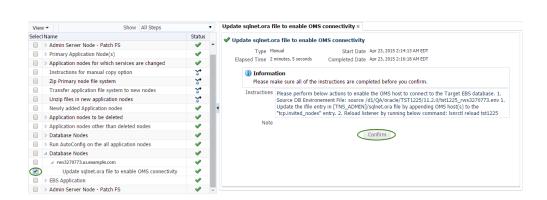
Click the corresponding check box to select a procedure to view its details.



- If any of the procedure step statuses are marked as failed, select the step to view it in the procedure view and choose one of the following options:
  - Ignore Ignore the current failed step and proceed to the next step.
  - Retry Retry the failed step.
  - Update and Retry Update the job parameters and retry the failed step.



Note that in the Instance Administration deployment procedure for Release 12.2.x, as AutoConfig on the database tier will update the sqlnet.ora, there will be a manual step just before the target Oracle E-Business Suite discovery step to enable the OMS host(s) to connect to the target Oracle E-Business Suite database. You need to verify and update the OMS host(s) entry for tcp.invited\_nodes if tcp.validnode\_checking is set to yes.



# **Monitoring Settings**

This chapter covers the following topics:

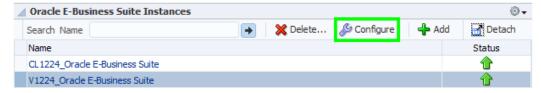
- Settings to Monitor Oracle E-Business Suite
- Configuring Monitoring of HTTPS/SSL Targets

## **Settings to Monitor Oracle E-Business Suite**

You can change the configuration with which each Oracle E-Business Suite instance is monitored. You can do two things:

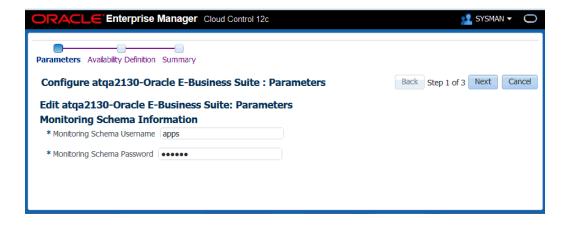
- Change monitoring schema
- Change the availability definition of the Oracle E-Business Suite instance

To configure monitoring, go the Oracle E-Business Suite Management page by clicking on the global Targets menu >Oracle E-Business Suite. Select the Oracle E-Business Suite instance and click Configure.



## Changing the monitoring schema

After clicking the **Configure** button, you can change the details of the monitoring schema. You can either change the user name or password here and click Next or directly proceed to change the availability computation by clicking Next.



### **Extending the Oracle E-Business Suite target model**

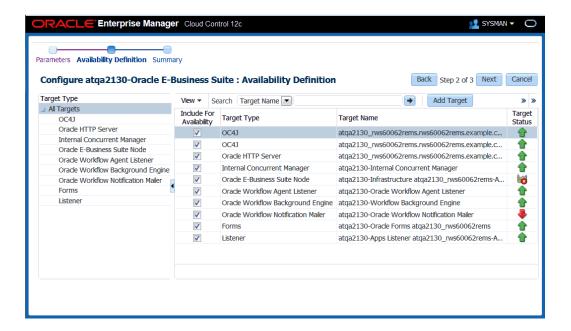
The status of the Oracle E-Business Suite target is determined by the status of its member targets. It uses AND logic, which means all the members must be up for the Oracle E-Business Suite target to be up. Customers can add more targets or remove existing targets.

**Note:** Starting with Release 12.1.0.3.0, the management pack availability computation matches the Enterprise Manager computation so that the same status is shown across all pages. The "Partially Up" status is retired now.

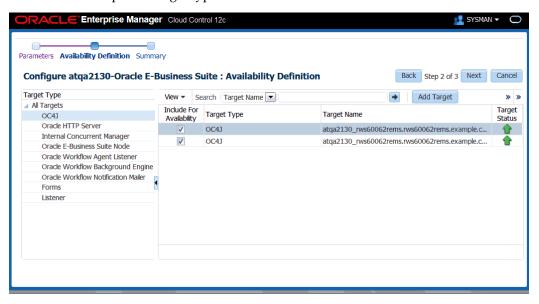
#### Viewing the existing availability definition

Navigate to global **Targets** menu **>Oracle E-Business Suite**. From the Oracle E-Business Suite Management page, select an instance and click Configure. After specifying parameters, click **Next** to go to the Availability Definition page.

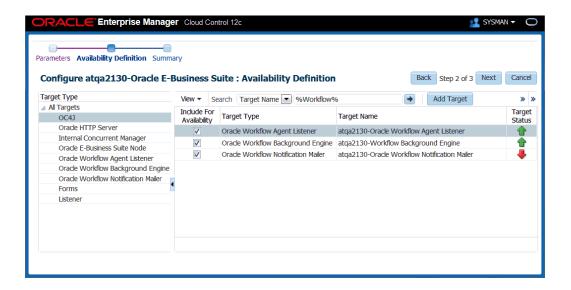
You can see all the targets being used to evaluate the status.



You can select a specific target type.

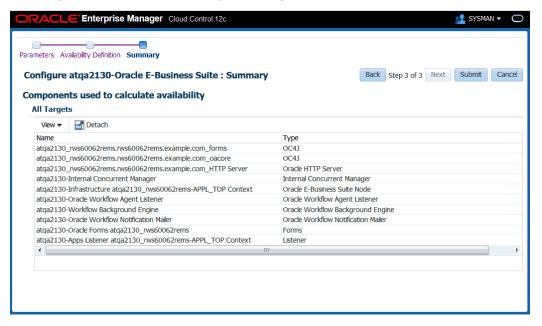


You can also search with a target name.



## Changing the availability definition

In the above UI, check the targets you wish to include in the availability computation. Uncheck a target if you want to exclude it. Click on the **Add Target** button to add any other target which is not part of the Oracle E-Business Suite hierarchy, like SSO, LDAP, Load Balancer, and so on. Then click **Next**. Review the availability computation summary and click **Submit** to save your changes.



If the Oracle E-Business Suite instance features Online Patching, only run edition targets are shown in the UI. If you remove the current run edition target from the availability computation, the corresponding patch edition target will also be removed so that it works seamlessly once a cutover happens. The summary page where you can review

the availability computation shows the details of the run edition and patch edition targets that are affected.

### Adding or removing an Oracle E-Business Suite node

If you add or remove a node as part of availability definition, all of its child members will also be added or removed.

### Targets That Cannot be Removed as Part of Availability Configuration

You cannot remove the database, database node, or the WLS Administration Server from availability definition.

## **Configuring Monitoring of HTTPS/SSL Targets**

To configure Cloud Control to monitor Oracle E-Business Suite application tiers that are running in SSL, each Management Agent must be able to authenticate the application tier's SSL certificate against its Certificate Authority (CA).

#### Assumed Prerequisites

- The HTTP Server that ships with Oracle E-Business Suite is already configured and verified to be running in SSL mode.
- Basic knowledge of SSL certificates and their configuration.

## Obtaining the CA certificate(s)

- In Microsoft Internet Explorer, connect to the HTTPS URL of the Web site you are attempting to monitor.
- Double-click the lock icon at the bottom of the browser screen which indicates that you have connected to a secure Web site. The browser displays the Certificate dialog box, which describes the certificate used for this Web site. Other browsers offer a similar mechanism to view the certificate details of a Web site.
- 3. Click the **Certificate Path** tab and select the first entry in the list of certificates.
- Click **View Certificate** to display a second Certificate dialog box.
- Click the **Details** tab on the Certificate window.
- Click **Copy to File** to display the Certificate Manager Export wizard.
- In the Certificate Manager Export wizard, select Base64 encoded X.509 (.CER) as the

format you want to export and save the certificate to a text file with an easily identifiable name, such as beacon\_certificate.cer.

**8**. Open the certificate file using a text editor.

#### Add the Certificate to the Management Agent(s)

Each Management Agent that monitors an Oracle E-Business Suite application tier must have the CA certificate added to it as follows:

- 1. Locate the b64InternetCertificate.txt file in the following directory of Agent Home of the Beacon host: \$AGENT ORACLE HOME/sysman/config (This file contains a list of Base64 Certificates).
- 2. Edit the b64InternetCertificate.txt file and add the contents of the certificate file you just exported to the end of the file, making sure to include all the Base64 text of the certificate including the BEGIN and END lines.
- **3**. Repeat for each Management Agent.

### Restart Each Management Agent

Each Management Agent should be restarted:

```
> $AGENT ORACLE HOME/bin/emctl stop agent
> $AGENT ORACLE HOME/bin/emctl start agent
```

Cloud Control may not immediately pick up the change. You may want to give it a few minutes for the agent to run a metrics collection and upload them to the Oracle Management Server (OMS). You can click on the **Refresh** icon in the upper right of the Oracle E-Business Suite home page (by the Page Refreshed time stamp) in the Cloud Control console to get updated information.

## Importing an Oracle E-Business Suite SSL Certificate to the OMS

Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite invokes REST services deployed on Oracle E-Business Suite using java.net.HttpURLConnection. The User Monitoring and Diagnostics features use REST services. If the Oracle E-Business Suite instance is SSL-enabled, the SSL certificate must be exported from Oracle E-Business Suite and imported to the trust keystore of the Oracle WebLogic Server (WLS) that runs the OMS. Below are the steps to do this action:

- Find out the trust keystore of WebLogic Server.
- 2. Open the WebLogic Server Administration Console by using the following steps.
  - 1. Go to the All Targets page of Enterprise Manager Grid Control.

- **2**. Select the target type Oracle WebLogic Server.
- Select the WebLogic Server instance that runs the OMS.
- The target home page will contain the link to open the Administration Console.
- From the Administration Console, select Servers.
- Select the server that runs the OMS.
- Click on the subtab **Keystores** under Configuration.
- 6. Look for the Java Standard Trust Keystore which points to the location of the keystore.
- 7. Run the command to import the certificate using the keytool utility. Use the JDK that comes with WebLogic Server.

```
JDK HOME/bin/keytool -importcert -alias oracle_ebs_<ebs instance
name> -trustcacerts -file <location of EBS SSL certificate>
-keystore <location of key store>
```

Refer to the Java SE documentation on the command keytool for information on passwords.

Restart the OMS.

For more information on configuring identity and trust for WebLogic Server, see the Oracle Fusion Middleware manual Securing Oracle WebLogic Server.

#### A Note on Oracle Forms 6i

Even though your Oracle Forms configuration may be running in SSL, Cloud Control does not require any additional configuration to monitor Forms. The reason for this is that it uses a different method for determining the Forms Server status which does not require SSL communications with the server.

## Re-Configuring SSL for Oracle E-Business Suite

If you have implemented SSL or deactivated SSL after the initial discovery of that Oracle E-Business Suite instance in Cloud Control, you will have to re-configure Cloud Control to monitor the new URL with the new protocol. There are two ways to do this:

- The Easy Way: If you don't care about the metrics data that has been collected for the instance, you can simply remove the instance from Cloud Control and rediscover it.
- The Hard Way: If metrics history is important, then each HTTP Server Target has to be re-configured to point to the new URL, port, and protocol.

#### Re-Configuring Release 11i Apache Targets

- 1. Navigate to the home page of the Oracle E-Business Suite instance. Select Members >Show All from the instance target menu.
- 2. Search for the target type "HTTP Server for Oracle Applications 11i".
- From the results listing, select the HTTP Server for Oracle Applications 11i target to go to its home page.
- In the target menu, select **Target Setup > Monitoring Configuration**.
- Edit the Protocol and Port as appropriate.
- 6. Click OK.

#### Re-Configuring Release 12 Application Servers

- 1. Navigate to the home page of the Oracle E-Business suite instance. Select **Members** >Show All from the instance target menu.
- 2. Search for the target type "Oracle Application Server".
- 3. From the results listing, select the HTTP Server for Oracle Applications Server target to go to its home page.
- In the target menu, select **Change Application URL**.
- Edit the "URL to measure application response" as appropriate.
- Click **OK**.

#### References

- My Oracle Support Knowledge Document 123718.1, A Guide to Understanding and Implementing SSL with Oracle Applications Release 11i
- My Oracle Support Knowledge Document 376700.1, Enabling SSL in Oracle Applications Release 12
- My Oracle Support Knowledge Document 391652.1, Problem: Accessing Web Application Gives 'sun.security
- Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control Administrator's Guide

# **Diagnosing Issues**

This chapter covers the following topics:

- Diagnosing Issues Using Pack Diagnostics
- Diagnostic Tests for Cloning
- Diagnostic Tests for Patch Manager
- Diagnostic Tests for Customization Manager
- Diagnostic Tests for User Monitoring

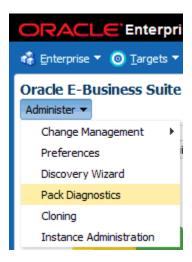
## **Diagnosing Issues Using Pack Diagnostics**

## **Pack Diagnostics**

Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite includes a diagnostics feature which can be used to troubleshoot issues by running diagnostic tests. The tests are grouped into the modules listed below.

- Cloning
- Patch Manager
- **Customization Manager**
- **User Monitoring**

To navigate to the diagnostics module, select Pack Diagnostics from the Administer menu in the Oracle E-Business Suite Management page.



## How to run a diagnostic test

To execute a diagnostic test, click on the Create button. This will take you the page where you must provide the details to do the diagnosis. You must enter the details described in the following table:

#### Diagnostic Test Details

Field	Description		
Name	A unique name to identify this instance of execution. This name can be later used to search for this instance of execution.		
Module	You can select a specific module or all modules. When you select a module, all tests for that module will be run.		
Show Details	<ul> <li>You can select the extent of detail you want in the final report.</li> <li>All - This option logs all information regardless of whether the diagnostic test completes with success or error.</li> <li>Error - This option only logs details for those tests that error out.</li> </ul>		
Category	<ul> <li>Generic - Select this option to perform a health check of a specific module.</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>User Specific - Select this option to diagnose issues faced by the current logged-in user in a specific module.</li> </ul>		

Field	Description
Description	Optional description for this instance of the execution.

You must add the Oracle E-Business Suite instance against which the diagnostic test will be executed. You can add multiple Oracle E-Business Suite instances. Click on the **Add** button in the Targets section. A list of values will pop up with the list of all the Oracle E-Business Suite instances discovered, and you can select the needed Oracle E-Business Suite instances. Once you are done with the selection, click the Submit button.

A job to run the tests is submitted, and the status column in the Requests table will show the status of the execution. You can refresh the page to get the latest status. You can click on the Status column to drill down further to see a detailed report of the execution. Expand the hierarchical table by clicking Expand All. There will be Tasks and Steps. Click on the status column of each step to get the detailed report for that step.

#### Search for a test execution

The pack diagnostics page by default list the name and other details of recent executions. You can search for any execution by its name.

#### Executing a test again

You can rerun an instance of execution without entering the details again. Search for that instance. Select it and click on the Retest button.

## **Diagnostic Tests for Cloning**

You should run diagnostic tests on your system in preparation for the cloning procedures to ensure your system is set up properly. For more information on running diagnostic tests, see: How to run a diagnostic test, page 12-2.

The following table lists generic diagnostic tests related to cloning.

## Generic Diagnostics Tests for Cloning

Step	Severity	Test	Description	Notes/Expected Results/Corrective Measures
EBS	Warning	Check if EBS has Shared File System	Check if the Oracle E-Business Suite is a multi-node applications tier with a shared file system configured.	Expected results: Yes/No.  This is an informational message. If the shared file system is enabled and the result is No, please check 's_atname' to find out if all the nodes are consistent.
				Name of Command: CheckIfSFS
EBS	Critical	Check if AutoConfig is run on Database Tier	Verify if AutoConfig has been run on the database tier.	For cloning to work, it is mandatory that AutoConfig was successfully run on the source database tier.
				Name of Command: CheckIfAutoConfigIsRun
EBS	Critical	Check If AutoConfig Is Run on Applications Tier	Verify if AutoConfig has been run on the applications tier.	For Cloning to work, it is mandatory that AutoConfig was successfully run on the source applications tier.
				Name of Command: CheckIfAutoConfigIsRun

Step	Severity	Test	Description	Notes/Expected Results/Corrective Measures
EBS	Warning	Get the Database Tier Operating System User Name	Get the O/S User Name for the database tier.	It is useful to know with which operating system user name the source database nodes have been created, as there could be file permissions issues in cloning.
				Corrective action: AutoConfig needs to be run in the Database Context to get t this value populated in the configuration. The configuration variable 's_dbuser' stores this information.
				Name of Command: GetDBOSUserInfo
EBS	Warning	Get Agent Perl Version	Verify Agent Perl utility version.	Cloning using the management pack requires the agent Perl utilities to be at a certain version level for certain cloning flows to function properly. Please make sure that the Perl version inside the Agent is compatible with that in the Oracle E-Business Suite instance (see the related diagnostic test for the Oracle E-Business Suite Perl Version)
				Name of Command: GetAgentPerlVersion

Step	Severity	Test	Description	Notes/Expected Results/Corrective Measures
EBS	Warning	Get key environment variables for Database Context	Obtain key environment variables for Database Context, including:  PATH LD_LIBRARY_PATH LIBPATH SHLIB_PATH ORACLE_HOME ORACLE_SID PERL5LIB TNS_ADMIN	Certain database context variables of the source Oracle E-Business Suite instance need to be definitively set with non-null values for the cloning job to proceed successfully. If this diagnostic test fails, run AutoConfig on the database tier so that the correct environment file is generated again. The values in the environment file are used in this command.  Name of Command:
				GetEnvironmentVariable Values
EBS	Warning	Get the APPS tier Operating System User Name	Get the O/S User Name for the applications tier.	If this diagnostic test fails, rerun AutoConfig on the applications tier. AutoConfig should populate the 's_appsuser' variable in the applications tier context file correctly.
				Name of Command: GetAppsOSUserInfo

Step	Severity	Test	Description	Notes/Expected Results/Corrective Measures
EBS	Warning	Get key information required for Apps Context Configuariables	Obtain key environment variables for the applications context, including:  s_base s_dbuser s_dbgroup s_appsuser s_appsgroup s_dbport s_port_pool s_config_home s_atName s_hostname	Certain applications context variables of the source Oracle E-Business Suite instance need to be definitively set with non-null values for the clone job to proceed successfully. If this diagnostic test fails, run AutoConfig on the applications tier so that the correct environment file is generated again. The values in the environment file are used in this command.
EBS	Critical	CheckIOPatches for <oracle E-Business Suite Release Name&gt;</oracle 	Verify that certain patches have been applied on the Oracle E-Business Suite target.	GetAPPSConfigVariables  Certain I/O patches need to be definitively run on the Oracle E-Business Suite instance for some of the clone flows to work successfully. Note that this step may change – depending on the Oracle E-Business Suite release (for example, 11i, 12.0, and so on). The list of patches is contained in an XML file that might be modified to include or exclude recommended patches.  Name of Command:
				Name of Command: CheckEBSPatches

Step	Severity	Test	Description	Notes/Expected Results/Corrective Measures
EBS	Critical	Get EBS Perl Version	Check Oracle E-Business Suite Perl utility version.	Cloning using the management pack requires Oracle E-Business Suite Perl utilities to be at a certain version level for certain cloning flows to function properly. Please make sure that the Perl version on the Oracle E-Business Suite instance is compatible with that in the Agent (see related diagnostic test for the Agent Perl Version).  Name of Command:
				CheckEBSPerlVersion
EBS	Critical	Check if AutoConfig is run on Applications Tier	Verify if AutoConfig has been run on the applications tier.	It is mandatory that AutoConfig completed successfully on the source applications tier for cloning to work.
				Name of Command: CheckIfAutoConfigIsRun
EBS	Warning	Get information for key Database Context Config variable	Obtain key database context variables that are required for non-"Smart Clone" cloning procedures, including:  s_base s_dbuser s_dbgroup s_appsuser s_appsgroup s_dbport s_port_pool s_hostname	Certain database context variables of the source Oracle E-Business Suite instance need to be set with non-null values for the clone jobs to finish successfully. If this diagnostic test fails, rerun AutoConfig on the database tier.  Name of Command: GetDBConfigVariables

Step	Severity	Test	Description	Notes/Expected Results/Corrective Measures
EBS	Warning	Get key environment variables for Application Context	Obtain key environment variables for the applications context, including:  PATH LD_LIBRARY_PATH LIBPATH SHLIB_PATH ORACLE_HOME ORACLE_SID PERL5LIB TNS_ADMIN	If this diagnostic test fails, rerun AutoConfig on the applications tier.  Name of Command: GetEnvironmentVariable Values
EBS	Warning	Checks if Oracle E-Business Suite AD Snapshot is valid	Verify if the Oracle E-Business Suite AD snapshot is valid.	In order to perform a "scale-down clone" process (that is, a multi-node source applications tier instance which has non-shared APPL_TOPs to a unified APPL_TOP in the target), AMP needs to ensure that the snapshots for the source APPL_TOPs have been updated properly. Make sure the Maintain "Update Current View Snapshots" option in adadmin is run at least once after the Oracle E-Business Suite creation.
				CheckIfADSnapshotIsVali d
EBS		Summary	A summary of all of the diagnostic tests that have been executed, in the following groups: Successful, Failed, With Warning, Aborted, and Total.	

The following table lists user-specific diagnostic tests related to cloning.

#### **User-Specific Tests for Cloning**

Step	Severity	Test	Description	Notes/Expected Results/Corrective Measures
EBS	Warning	Check Host Credential for Smart Clone flows	Check if the EM User has required preferred credential set for "Operating System Username" and "Operating System Password" in "Oracle E-Business Suite Node" target type for the applications context for Smart Clone flows.	If this diagnostic test fails, set the applications context operating system credentials in the "Oracle E-Business Suite Node" target type in the preferred credential store.  Name of Command: CheckAppsContextCreden tialExistence
EBS		Check Database schema credentials for Smart clone flows	Check if the EM User has the required preferred credential set for the APPS schema users in "Oracle E-Business Suite" target type for Smart Clone flows.	The database APPS schema credentials must be entered manually with Smart Clone flows.
EBS		Summary	A summary of all of the diagnostic tests that have been executed, in the following groups: Successful, Failed, With Warning, Aborted, and Total.	

## **Diagnostic Tests for Patch Manager**

You should run diagnostic tests on your system in preparation for running Patch Manager procedures to ensure your system is set up correctly. For more information on running diagnostic tests, see: How to run a diagnostic test, page 12-2.

The following table lists generic tests related to Patch Manager:

## Generic Diagnostic Tests for Patch Manager

Step	Test Group	Description	Notes/Expected Results/Corrective Measures
EMGC	Check permissions for OMS Stage directory	Determine if a stage directory is defined on the OMS.  Determine if the owner has read/write permissions to that directory.	Expected results are: the OMS Stage Directory Location, with the OMS user with read/write permissions.
EMGC	Check Patch Manager Stage directories	Verify if the properties set in the Preferences page have proper definitions for Patch Manager Stage directories	Refer to the section Patch Manager Prerequisites, page 15-12 for instructions on completing this step.
EMGC	Summary	A summary of all of the diagnostic tests that have been executed, in the following groups: Successful, Failed, With Warning, Aborted, and Total.	
EBS	Check if EBS Snapshot in OMS Repository is valid	Verify if the Oracle E-Business Suite snapshot in OMS Repository is valid.	A snapshot shows data about a system for a point in time. If the snapshot is invalid, navigate to the Targets menu >Oracle E-Business Suite and click on the instance name. Then navigate to the Oracle E-Business Suite menu (in the top left corner) >Configuration >Last Collected >Actions >Refresh.
EBS	Check for EBS CPU Count	Verify that the target Oracle E-Business Suite system's CPU Count is greater than zero (0).	If there is not a valid snapshot, contact Oracle Support.
EBS	Summary	A summary of all of the diagnostic tests that have been executed, in the following groups: Successful, Failed, With Warning, Aborted, and Total.	

The following table lists user-specific tests for Patch Manager.

## User-Specific Diagnostic Tests for Patch Manager

Step	Test Group	Description	Notes/Expected Results/Corrective Measures
EMGC	CheckMetalink Credentials	Verify if username/password credentials are entered for My Oracle Support.	Refer to the Oracle Enterprise Manager documentation for instructions on completing this step.
EMGC	Summary	A summary of all of the diagnostic tests that have been executed, in the following groups: Successful, Failed, With Warning, Aborted, and Total.	
EBS	CheckPrivilege	Check if the user currently logged in has authority to patch any instances.	Assign privileges as appropriate.
EBS	CheckWLSCre ds	Check if Oracle WebLogic Server Administration Credentials are set for an Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2 instance.	Set the credentials as appropriate.
EBS	Check if Preferred Credentials exist	Check if the EM User has the required Preferred Credential set for APPS and SYSTEM schema users in "Oracle E-Business Suite" target type. Check if that user has the required Preferred Credentials for "Oracle E-Business Suite Node" target type for Database Context and for APPL_TOP Context.	Set the preferred credentials as appropriate.
EBS	Summary	A summary of all of the diagnostic tests that have been executed, in the following groups: Successful, Failed, With Warning, Aborted, and Total.	

## **Diagnostic Tests for Customization Manager**

You should run diagnostic tests on your system in preparation for using Customization Manager to ensure your system is set up correctly. For more information on running diagnostic tests, see: How to run a diagnostic test, page 12-2.

The following table lists generic tests related to Customization Manager:

#### Generic Diagnostic Tests for Customization Manager

Step	Test Group	Description	Notes/Expected Results/Corrective Measures
EMGC	CheckOMSStage	Determine if a stage directory is defined on the OMS.  Determine if the owner of the directory has read/write permissions to that directory.	Expected results are: the OMS Stage Directory Location and the OMS user with read/write permissions.
EMGC	Summary	A summary of all of the diagnostic tests that have been executed, in the following groups: Successful, Failed, With Warning, Aborted, and Total.	
EBS	CheckEBSHome	Verify permissions for APPL_TOP.	Verify that the user running the diagnostic test has the correct permissions for the APPL_TOP directory structure.
			If the test fails, provide the correct Preferred Credentials information in "E-Business Suite" or "E-Business Suite Node". See: Preferred Credentials, page 5-1.

Step	Test Group	Description	Notes/Expected Results/Corrective Measures
EBS	CheckAgentHome	Verify permissions within the Agent home directory.	Verify that the user running the Diagnostic test has the correct permissions for the \$AGENT_HOME directory structure.
			If the test fails, provide the correct Preferred Credentials information in "E-Business Suite" or "E-Business Suite Node". See: Preferred Credentials, page 5-1.
EBS	Check Customization Manager related AD Patches for 11i Release	Verify that certain AD patches have been applied on the Oracle E-Business Suite target.	The set of required interoperability patches will vary for the different Oracle E-Business Suite releases (that is, Release 11 <i>i</i> , Release 12, and so on). The list of patches is contained in an XML file that might be modified to include or exclude recommended patches.
			The file is located at: <pre><oms_home>\sysman\admin \emdrep\ebs\testsuites\ CMTestSuite.xml.</oms_home></pre>
EBS	Check Customization Manager Patches for 11i Release	Verify that certain Customization Manager patches have been applied on the Oracle E-Business Suite target.	The set of required interoperability patches will vary for the different EBS releases (that is, Release 11 <i>i</i> , Release 12, and so on). The list of patches is contained in an XML file that might be modified to include or exclude recommended patches.
			The file is located at: <oms_home>\sysman\admin \emdrep\ebs\testsuites\ CMTestSuite.xml.</oms_home>

Step	Test Group	Description	Notes/Expected Results/Corrective Measures
EBS	CheckAmpAcp	Verify that the Agent is patched with the latest Oracle E-Business Suite management pack release. The Application Management Pack and the Application Change Management Pack patches are required on both the OMS and Agents.	If the Agent is not at the appropriate release, then it will need to be installed or upgraded through Oracle Universal Installer.
EBS	GetAPPSConfigV ariables	Check if the context property JDBC_URL is available.	The context variable JDBC_URL needs to be set with non-null values for the Customization Manager jobs to proceed successfully. If the test fails, wait until the metric collection occurs, or force evaluation of the metric collection explicitly
EMGC	Summary	A summary of all of the diagnostic tests that have been executed, in these groups: Successful, Failed, With Warning, Aborted, and Total.	

The following table lists user-specific tests for Customization Manager.

#### User-Specific Diagnostic Tests for Customization Manager

Step	Test Group	Description	Notes/Expected Results/Corrective Measures
EBS	CheckEBSGlobalCr ed	Check Oracle E-Business Suite Preferred Credentials. This test verifies if the "Applsys Schema", "Apps Schema", and "System Schema" username/password exist; and, if so, if they are valid for a particular instance.	Verify the validity of the credentials supplied for the "Applsys Schema", "Apps Schema", and "System Schema" username/password for the "E-Business Suite" target type in Preferred Credentials.  If the test fails, provide the correct credentials for the user in question. See: Preferred Credentials, page 5-1.
EBS	CheckAgentHome WritePermission	Check for write permission within the Agent home directory.	Verify that the user running the Diagnostic test has the correct permissions for the \$AGENT_HOME directory structure. If the test fails, provide the correct Preferred Credentials information in "E-Business Suite" or "E-Business Suite Node". See: Preferred Credentials, page 5-1.
EBS	CheckWLSCreds	Check if Weblogic Admin Credentials are set for an Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2 instance.	If the test fails, provide the correct Preferred Credentials information in "Oracle WebLogic Server". See: Preferred Credentials, page 5-1.
EBS	Summary	A summary of all of the diagnostic tests that have been executed, in these groups: Successful, Failed, With Warning, Aborted, and Total.	

## **Diagnostic Tests for User Monitoring**

The following table has details for generic tests for user monitoring.

## Generic Tests for User Monitoring

Test	Description	Corrective Actions
CheckIOPatch es	Checks whether the mandatory interoperability patches needed for user monitoring are applied in this Oracle E-Business Suite instance.	Apply the mandatory interoperability patches in the Oracle E-Business Suite instance.
CheckRESTH ealth	User monitoring uses REST services deployed on the Oracle E-Business Suite instance. This test checks if the REST services are accessible or not.	Check the error message in the report. Refer to the emoms.log for additional information.
CheckEBSProf ile	Checks if the site-level profile Sign-On:Audit Level is set to 'FORM' in this Oracle E-Business Suite instance.	Set the site-level profile Sign-On:Audit Level to 'FORM'.

The following table lists user-specific tests for user monitoring.

## User-Specific Tests for User Monitoring

Test	Description	Corrective Actions
CheckEBSGlobal Cred	Checks if the preferred credential is set for AppsUserCredSet for this Oracle E-Business Suite instance.	Set the preferred credential.
CheckEBSRole	Checks if the Oracle E-Business Suite user, whose credential is set as the preferred credential for AppsUserCredsSet, has the LCM_EM_CLIENT responsibility in this Oracle E-Business Suite instance	Assign the LCM_EM_CLIENT responsibility to the Oracle E-Business Suite user.

# Cloning an Oracle E-Business Suite System

This chapter covers the following topics:

- Overview of Cloning an Oracle E-Business Suite System
- Smart Clone for Releases 11i and 12 Application Tier Only: Requirements, Setup, Prerequisites
- Running a Single Node to Single Node or Multi Node to Single Node Cloning Procedure for Releases 11i and 12.1.x
- Running Scale-Up and Scale-Down Multi-Node Cloning Procedures for Releases 12.0 and 12.1
- Smart Clone for Releases 12 and 12.2.x: Requirements, Setup, Prerequisites
- Running a Smart Clone Procedure for Releases 12 and 12.2.x
- Adding Custom Steps to a Smart Clone Deployment Procedure

## Overview of Cloning an Oracle E-Business Suite System

Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite delivers a feature called Smart Clone. Smart Clone allows users to automate the cloning procedures of Oracle E-Business Suite.

In previous releases, Smart Clone only allowed for the cloning of the application tier of Oracle E-Business Suite. Release 12.1.0.4.0 introduces a new capability that facilitates the automation of both the database and the application tier cloning from a single user interface for Oracle E-Business Suite Releases 12 and 12.2.x.

#### Features of Smart Clone:

- Smart Clone allows for the cloning of Oracle E-Business Suite applications deployed on RAC systems.
- It allows for the inclusion of scripts to clone database and application tiers using a single interview process to enhance and streamline the user experience.

The Smart Clone process leverages Enterprise Manager Cloud Control provisioning framework to create clones and execute application-specific actions.

There are two Smart Clone procedures available in Release 12.1.0.4.0:

- Smart Clone for 11i, R12 Application Tier Only
- Smart Clone for R12, 12.2.x

As stated in the name, "Smart Clone for 11i, R12 - Application Tier Only" is used to clone only the application tier. The "Smart Clone for R12, 12.2.x" procedure allows you to clone an Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.x or 12.2.x application tier. It also facilitates both the application tier and database tier cloning procedures, all within the same user interface.

For more information, see the Usage and Support, page 13-3 section below for more details.

#### About Smart Clone for Releases 11i and 12

The "Smart Clone for 11i, R12 - Application Tier Only" procedure supports the following scenarios:

- Configuring single instance databases
- Configuring RAC databases
  - Customizing the listener names is supported if you have the required Oracle E-Business Suite patches applied.
  - Configuring listeners with SCAN IPs is supported if both the database version and the cluster version are later than 11.2.0.2.

#### About Smart Clone for Releases 12 and 12.2.x

The "Smart Clone for R12, 12.2.x" procedure allows you to automate the steps to clone the database tier along with the cloning of the application tier in a single procedure.

#### Considerations for Cloning with Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2

Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2 is deployed on Oracle WebLogic Server. As a result, most of the technology stack scripts used in cloning (such as adpreclone, adclone, adstrtall, adstpall, and so on) require the WebLogic admin password. Therefore, the WebLogic admin password is required in the cloning procedure interview for Release 12.2 systems.

Also, note the following regarding zipping of files during the cloning process:

<COMMON TOP>/clone/FMW/FMW Home.jar will be very large (2.7 GB).

The WebLogic Server home directory (FMW\_Home) will NOT be zipped or transferred.

## **Terms**

The following table lists some cloning terms used in this document.

Term	Meaning
Source	The Oracle E-Business Suite system being cloned.
Target	The Oracle E-Business Suite system being created as a copy of the source system.
Smart Clone	The cloning utility in Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite. Smart Clone allows you to use a database target cloned using an external solution as an input to its cloning procedures.

## **Usage and Support**

The following table lists the details of use cases and their supported releases of Oracle E-Business Suite:

Use Case	Source Oracle E-Business Suite Instance	Target Oracle E-Business Suite Instance	Releases Supported
1A	Single Apps Node configured with Single Instance DB or RAC DB	Single Apps Node configured with Single Instance DB or RAC DB	11 <i>i</i> , 12.0, 12.1, 12.2
1B	Single Apps Node configured with Single Instance DB or RAC DB	Multi Apps Node (with or without Shared File System) configured with Single Instance DB or RAC DB	12.0, 12.1, 12.2
2A	Multi Apps Node (with or without Shared File System) configured with Single Instance DB or RAC DB	Single Apps Node configured with Single Instance DB or RAC DB	11 <i>i</i> , 12.0, 12.1, 12.2

Use Case	Source Oracle E-Business Suite Instance	Target Oracle E-Business Suite Instance	Releases Supported
2B	Multi Apps Node (with or without Shared File System) configured with Single Instance	Multi Apps Node (with or without Shared File System) configured with Single Instance DB or RAC DB	12.0, 12.1, 12.2
	DB or RAC DB	With Single histance DD of RAC DD	(For Release
			12.2, see note below)

**Note:** If you are currently using Smart Clone for Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12, it is recommended that you use the Smart Clone for R12, 12.2.x procedure. Although, if you intend to create a copy of the out-of-box Smart Clone deployment with one or more directive properties of type 'Ask User During Procedure Interview,' then use the Smart Clone for 11i, R12 - Application Tier Only procedure. In Release 12.1.0.4.0, the 'Ask User during Procedure Interview' option is only supported in the Smart Clone for Releases 11i and 12 (application tier only) procedure.

In addition to the above features, the following scenarios are supported:

- As soon as Oracle E-Business Suite announces the certification on any database version with Oracle E-Business Suite, plug-in customers using Release 12.1.0.4.0 should be able to use the Smart Clone deployment procedure immediately for Oracle E-Business Suite cloning.
- Any specific needs such as data masking, data compression, and so on can be performed before running Smart Clone.
- Smart Clone supports the cloning of systems with different operating system users for the database tier and the application tier.

For Option 2B above (Multi Apps Node to Multi Apps Node cloning) with Release 12.2, you should avoid using the same server between the source and target.

Also, for Options 2A and 2B (Multi Apps Node to Single/Multi Apps Node cloning) with Release 12.2, observe the following:

- You must not use the same port pool for the target Oracle E-Business Suite system as that for the source Oracle E-Business Suite system.
- You must not use any of the source Oracle E-Business Suite hosts for target hosts.

## **Navigation to Smart Clone**

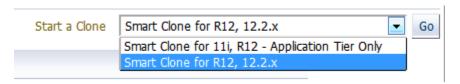
You can access the Smart Clone feature either through the Oracle E-Business Suite home page or from the Procedure Library.

#### From the Oracle E-Business Suite Home Page

From the Oracle E-Business Suite home page, go to the Oracle E-Business Suite Management page and expand the Administer menu. Click Cloning.



Then, select the appropriate drop-down item from the Cloning Procedure list. Click on the Go button.



#### From the Procedure Library

To access the feature using the Procedure Library, navigate to the Procedure Library from the **Enterprise** menu.



Search for and select the appropriate Smart Clone procedure (either "Smart Clone for 11i, R12 - Application Tier Only" or "Smart Clone for R12, 12.2.x") and click the Launch button.



## **Smart Clone for Releases 11i and 12 - Application Tier Only:** Requirements, Setup, Prerequisites

As a prerequisite, Smart Clone - Application Tier (11i, 12.1.x) expects the target Oracle E-Business Suite database to be cloned and discovered in the Enterprise Manager. In doing so, customers can choose their own options in creating the target Oracle E-Business Suite database by cloning from the source Oracle E-Business Suite database using the Database Plug-in Provisioning Pack, RMAN, a storage system solution, or so on, whichever suits their needs the best. Smart Clone starts with taking the discovered target database as a input to configure a database target and then clones the

applications tier of the source instance. It then applies that to the target Oracle E-Business Suite system. Custom scripts to clone the database tier can be plugged-in, which enables database and application tier cloning in one flow.

## **Requirements and Setup Steps**

- Cloning using Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business suite requires Perl 5.005 or later on the Oracle Enterprise Manager agent. The user who starts the agent processes must set the PERL5LIB environment variable pointing to Perl 5.005 (or later) libraries. Also, the Perl executable 5.005 must be used.
- While upgrading the database from 9*i* to 10*g* (or 11*g*) with an Oracle E-Business Suite Release 11i instance, you need to ensure that the source instance perl.exe is pointed to the database 10g (11g) ORACLE\_HOME of the Oracle E-Business Suite.
- All the virtual internet protocol (VIP) addresses configured in the Oracle Cluster Ready Services (CRS) of the target nodes identified for the created RAC instance must be up and running.
- With Release 11i, for a clone job from Single Node Single User to Single Node -Multiple User, ensure that you have write permissions for user IDs to the target base directory. Give 770 permissions to the directories from/to the target base directory with the following command:

```
$ chmod -R 770 <target base directory>
```

- If for a cloning process the target is multi-node and the database node domain and the applications node domain are different, perform the following step:
  - 1. Include the target database node server name in the /etc/hosts file of the target applications node so that the applications node will be able to resolve the database node without the domain name. The modification should be like the following (this entry is for Linux x86; change as appropriate for your platform):

```
<ip-address> <Machine name with domain name> <Machine Name>
```

#### For example:

```
140.87.205.217 adc60002demo.us.example.com adc60002demo
```

2. For Release 12 only: In addition to the above entry in the /etc/hosts file, the applications node context file needs to be changed.

```
Change the s dbdomain entry in the
<STAGE LOC>/appsTier/context/apps/<SID> <SERVER NAME>.xml
file to the correct domain name of the database tier.
```

For example, if the database node domain name is idc.example.com, and the applications node domain name is us.example.com, then the context file

```
/d1/QA/stage/PMS29/080522035852/PMS29 adc60010demo.xml
```

#### should be changed to

```
<domain oa var="s dbdomain">idc.example.com</domain>
```

The OS utilities make, ld, cc, and ar must be in the environment PATH variable in all the host targets. If not, please update the PATH variable accordingly and restart the agent in the same terminal.

#### **Prerequisites**

The following are prerequisites to running an individual Smart Clone procedure:

- 1. The source Oracle E-Business Suite instance must:
  - Be up and healthy.
  - Have had AutoConfig run successfully. It is mandatory that AutoConfig was successfully run on the source applications tier and source database tier.
  - Have been discovered in Oracle Enterprise Manager and its status must not be pending.
  - Have had AutoConfig run successfully. It is mandatory that AutoConfig was successfully run on the source applications tier and source database tier.
  - Have its /etc/oraInst.loc pointing to the correct oraInventory at the time of running Smart Clone.

**Note:** On some platforms such as Solaris, the variable is /var/opt/oracle/oraInst.loc.

2. The target database must have already been cloned from the source Oracle E-Business Suite database.

> **Note:** Ensure that the Oracle home target property is set correctly for the discovered database target.

To do this, you can:

- Use the Enterprise Manager 12c Database Plug-in to perform the required database cloning procedures OR
- Use any other technology which suits your database cloning needs.
- **3**. After it is cloned, the target database must:

- Be up and running.
- Have been discovered in Enterprise Manager 12c. You must discover the target database before you run Smart Clone.

**Note:** Do not use the same SID (system identifier) for the target database as the source database. Doing so will cause the last step of the Smart Clone process (discovery of the cloned instance) to fail.

- The Oracle E-Business Suite Agent Plug-in must be deployed on all the target database hosts and application tier hosts. After deploying the agent plug-in on the target database hosts, run the step root.sh; otherwise Smart Clone will fail.
- The Enterprise Manager user running the Smart Clone procedure must have the appropriate privileges.

The following privilege setup instructions can be ignored if the user is a "Super Administrator".

In order to execute the Smart Clone deployment procedure, a non-Super Administrator user must have certain target-level privileges and the resource privileges.

The privileges listed below could be granted in many ways depending on the desired level of granularity of privileges to be granted to the user. For more details on granting privileges, please refer to the section "Configuring Security" in the manual Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control Administrator's Guide 12c.

The following outlines one of the ways of granting the required privileges for executing the Smart Clone procedure.

#### **Target Privileges**

- Add any Target
  - Privileges applicable to all targets
    - Name: Add any Target (Description: Add any target in Enterprise Manager)
- Operator any Target
  - Privileges applicable to all targets
    - Name: Operator any Target (Description Ability to perform administrative operations on all managed targets)

- Included Privileges View any Target
- Applicable Target Types All Target Types

#### **Resource Privileges**

- Job System resource:
  - Name Job System
  - Description Job is a schedulable unit of work that administrator defines to automate the commonly run tasks
  - Resource Type Privilege Create
- Deployment Procedure:
  - Name Deployment Procedure
  - Description Deployment procedures are customizable orchestration routines for various Provisioning and Patching tasks
  - Resource Type Privilege Create
- The following named credentials must be defined:
  - Host target type
    - Authentication Target Type: "Host"
    - Credential Type: "Host Credentials"
  - Oracle E-Business Suite target type
    - Please refer to the section Named Credentials, page 5-2 for instructions on creating the Oracle E-Business Suite Database credentials.
  - The normal host preferred credentials where the WebLogic Administration Server is running must also be set.

### Cloning with RAC Instances

With Smart Clone, if the target Oracle E-Business Suite instance database is of type "RAC" and if you want to configure Parallel Concurrent Processing after the clone is completed, then it is recommended that you follow instructions described in the following My Oracle Support Knowledge Documents, depending on your RDBMS version:

- Document 312731.1, Configuring Oracle Applications Release 11i with 10g RAC and 10g ASM
- Document 757980.1, Using Oracle 11g Release 1 Real Application Clusters and Automatic Storage Management with Oracle E-Business Suite Release 11i (11.1.0.6)
- Document 455398.1, Using Oracle Real Application Clusters and Automatic Storage Management with Oracle E-Business Suite Release 11i and Oracle Database 11g
- Document 783188.1, Certified RAC Scenarios for E-Business Suite Cloning for more information on cloning of systems deployed on Oracle Real Application Clusters (RAC) is possible.
- Document 559518.1, Cloning Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12 RAC-Enabled Systems with Rapid Clone for information on cloning a Release 12 system on a RAC database

### **Preferences**

For Oracle E-Business Release 12.1 and earlier, the following properties are set in the Preferences page. Navigate to the Preferences page by navigating to Targets >Oracle E-Business Suite > Administer > Preferences. These preferences are not applicable to cloning with Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2. For Release 12.2, default values are used.

- Number of parallel threads/processes that will be used while zipping, transferring and unzipping the files under APPL TOP directory of the applications tier.
  - Minimum value: 1
  - Maximum value: 16
  - If the value is empty OR less than 1 OR greater than 16, then the default value of 8 is used.
- Number of parallel threads/processes that will be used while zipping, transferring and unzipping the files under Tools Oracle Home directory of the applications tier.
  - Minimum value: 1
  - Maximum value: 8
  - If the value is empty OR less than 1 OR greater than 8, then the default value of 4 is used.
- Number of parallel threads/processes that will be used while zipping, transferring and unzipping the files under Tools Oracle Home directory of the applications tier.

- Minimum value: 1
- Maximum value: 4
- If the value is empty OR less than 1 OR greater than 4, then the default value of 2 is used.
- Number of parallel threads/processes that will be used while zipping, transferring and unzipping the files under COMMON TOP directory of the applications tier.
  - Minimum value: 1
  - Maximum value: 4
  - If the value is empty OR less than 1 OR greater than 16, then the default value of 2 is used.

# **Diagnostic Tests**

For information on diagnostic tests for this feature, see: Diagnostic Tests for Cloning, page 12-3.

# Running a Single Node to Single Node or Multi Node to Single Node Cloning Procedure for Releases 11i and 12.1.x

This section describes running the Single Node to Single Node and Multi Node to Single Node Smart Clone procedure. This procedure can be used for Releases 11i and 12.1.x.

At a high level, a Smart Clone procedure performs the following:

- Configures the target database
- 2. Clones and configures the applications tier from the source Oracle E-Business Suite

These two steps result in creating a target Oracle E-Business Suite system which is ready to use.

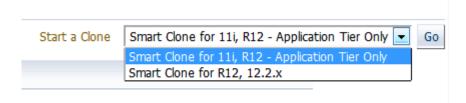
**Note:** On an HP-UX Itanium platform, the plug-in will show the "Oracle Applications JVM Usage" target as down. The cause of this issue is that the target type .xml contains control M (^M) characters. To resolve this issue,

Go to <Agent Home>/plugins/oracle.apps.ebs.agent.plugin 12.1.0

- .4.0/metadata.
- Remove ^M characters in oracle apps jvm.xml.
- 3. Restart the agent.

### To run a single-node cloning procedure:

- 1. Navigate to the Cloning home page by selecting Targets >Oracle E-Business Suite >Administer >Cloning.
- 2. Select "Smart Clone for 11i, R12 Application Tier Only" from the drop-down list and click Go.



Enter general information for the cloning process. This step captures information related to the target database already cloned and discovered in Enterprise Manager.

Provide a transaction name for the Clone Name.

Choose the source Oracle E-Business Suite you would like to clone from the LOV.

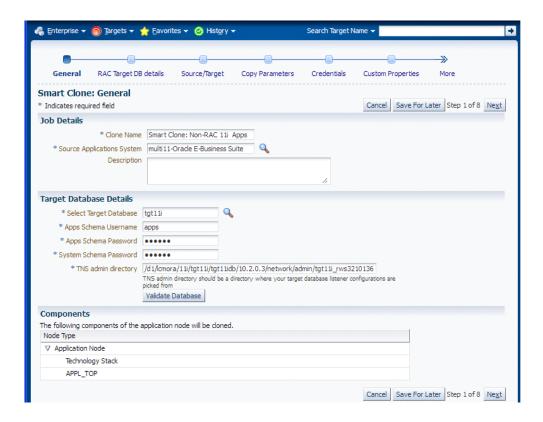
Specify the target database which is to be cloned from the source Oracle E-Business Suite's database.

Based on the type of database chosen (that is, a single instance database or a RAC database), the Target Database Details region is dynamically rendered.

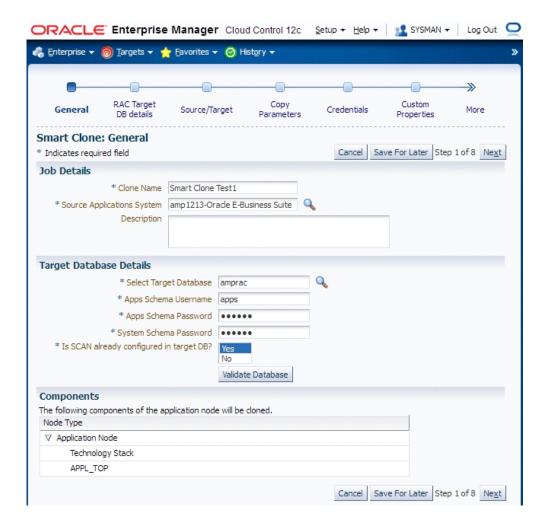
For a single instance database, provide the following:

- **Target Database**
- Apps Schema Username
- Apps Schema Password
- System Schema Password
- TNS admin directory

You can click on the **Validate Database** button or you can leave it to the **Next** button to perform the same action.



If the target database is a RAC database, the Target Database Details region is rendered differently, as shown in the following figure. Specify whether SCAN is configured in the target database.



Enter RAC Target database details, if applicable.

This step only applies if the target database is a RAC database. This step is skipped if the target database has the type Single Instance.

If the source Oracle E-Business Suite technology stack has the required patches applied for configuring customized names for listeners, then this page will automatically render in such a way that you provide names for the target database listeners by providing the required names in the column "New Listener Name".

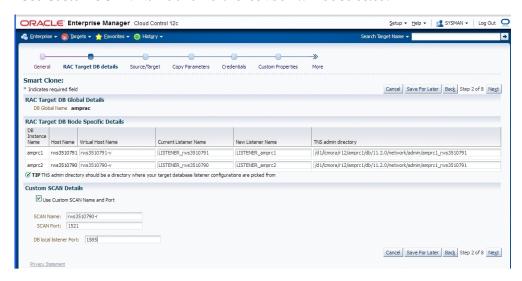
If the source Oracle E-Business Suite technology stack does not have the required patches, then Smart Clone will provide default names for the listeners using the naming convention "LISTENER\_<hostname>."

If the source Oracle E-Business Suite technology stack has the required patches applied for configuring the target database with "SCAN Listeners", then the "Custom SCAN Details" section is rendered with the "SCAN Name" and "SCAN Port" fields populated automatically. It is highly recommended not to change these values if it automatically populated. If for some reason the SCAN Name and SCAN Port fields are not populated (for example, if the cluster target instance discovered in Enterprise Manager has not populated these values yet as properties), then you must enter the correct values for these fields.

Optionally, check the box "Use Custom SCAN Name and Port" if you want to get the target database configured with the SCAN listener. If you do not check the box "Use Custom SCAN Name and Port" box, then Smart Clone will clone the target database with virtual host names.

If the source Oracle E-Business Suite technology stack does not have the required patches, then the "Custom SCAN Details" section will not be rendered, and the target database will be configured with virtual host names.

If the target instance is already configured with scan listeners, then by default the "Use Custom SCAN Name and Port" check box will be selected.

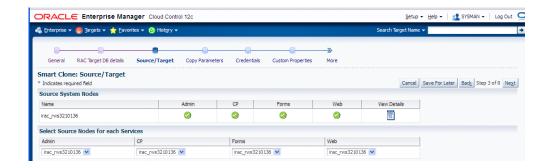


Enter source and target information.

In this step, Smart Clone captures information related to the source and target.

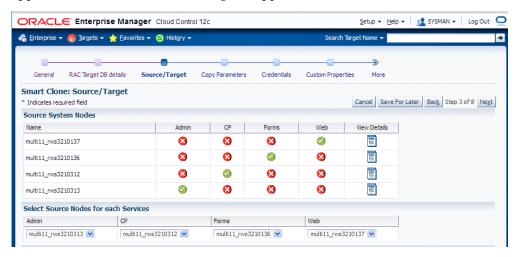
- All application tier information of the source Oracle E-Business Suite system is displayed.
- You enter details for the target Oracle E-Business Suite system.

If the source Oracle E-Business Suite system is deployed on a single applications tier, the Source regions appear as shown in the following figure. Information is shown for the following services: Admin, CP (Concurrent Processing), Forms, and Web.



In the Available Target System Nodes region, choose the source host that can be used as a reference while cloning the target applications tier. Specify the target host from the LOV where Smart Clone should create the target applications tier.

If the source Oracle E-Business Suite system is deployed on a multi-node applications tier, then the Source regions appear as shown below.



The Source System Nodes region shows the details of the source Oracle E-Business Suite applications tier in terms of

- Number of nodes the applications tier is deployed on.
- Details of the services on the nodes.

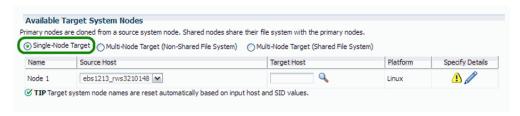
For a Release 11*i* multi-node applications tier system, you will need to choose the nodes for the services which are to be used as references for creating the Release 11i single node applications tiers. Do this in the "Select Source Nodes for Each Service" region.

For Release 12, selecting the service in this section is unnecessary because the reference source host will be selected only from the "Available Target System Nodes" region.

In the Available Target System Nodes region, choose "Single-Node Target". This is

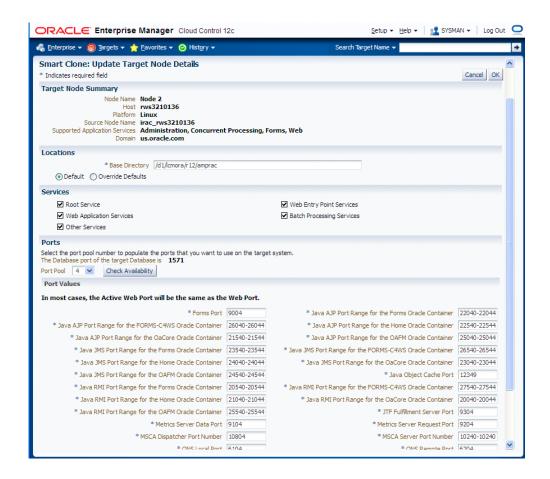
the default option.

Then choose the source host that can be used as a reference while cloning the target applications tier. Specify the target host from the LOV where Smart Clone should create the target applications tier.



For the target system node, click the Specify Details icon to update its properties in the Target Node Summary page.

The Target Node Summary page is shown below.



The port pool and individual port values are updated from the source instance.

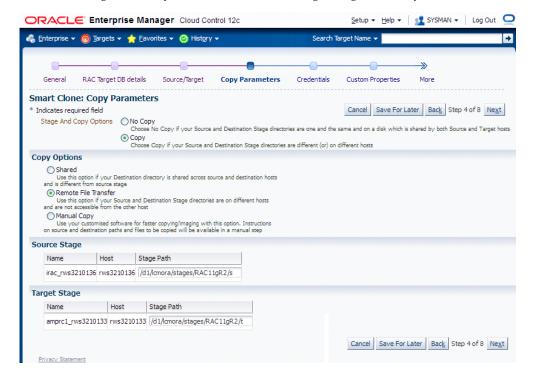
If there is an invalid value in the port pool from the source instance, the following error is shown: "NOTE: Source Apps portpool context variable (s port pool) is invalid: <value>. Setting to default value '0'. Please update as needed!"

**Important:** For Oracle E-Business Suite Release 11i, you must select the Override Defaults option and in the prompt 'Target Node Summary' page, update the following entries:

- JDK Location Enter the JDK location in your target instance.
- JRE TOP Enter the same location as the JDK location in your target instance.
- PERL executable location Enter < iAS home in the target instance>/Apache/perl/bin/perl.
- In the Copy Parameters step, enter information on how the copying process should

be done.

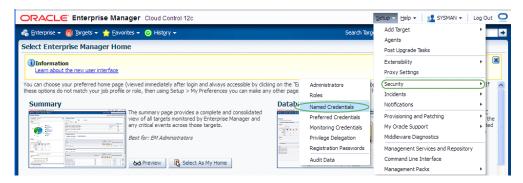
If you are using the same host for both the source and target instance, ensure that the source stage directory is different from the target stage directory.



### Enter Credentials.

Smart Clone uses named credentials. You can select and test the named credentials on this page.

Named credentials can be created by navigating to the **Setup** menu, then **Security** > Named Credentials, and clicking Create.



Smart Clone requires the following credentials to be created:

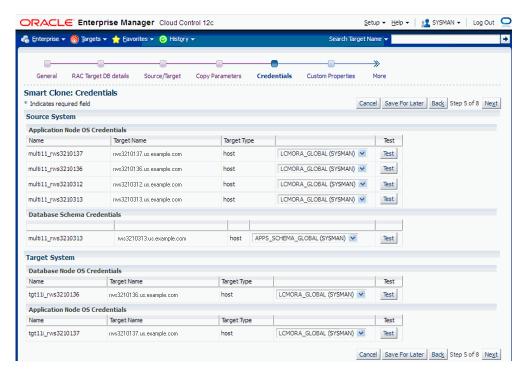
Application Node OS Credentials and Database Node OS Credentials.

- Authentication Target Type Host
- Credential Type Host Credentials
- **Database Schema Credentials**

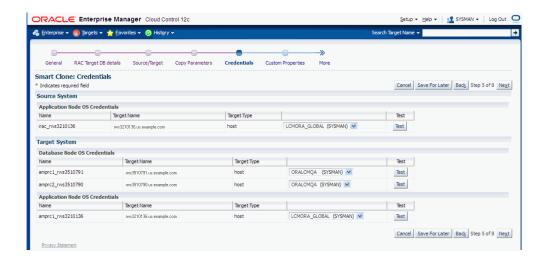
Refer to the section Named Credentials, page 5-2 for information on creating the Oracle E-Business Suite Database credentials.

> **Note:** Database schema credentials appear only when the source applications system is on Release 11i and using a non-shared file system.

The Credentials page for a Smart Clone procedure where the source applications system is multi-node and the target database is non-RAC is shown in the figure below. This page allows you to enter in and test all required credentials for the nodes.

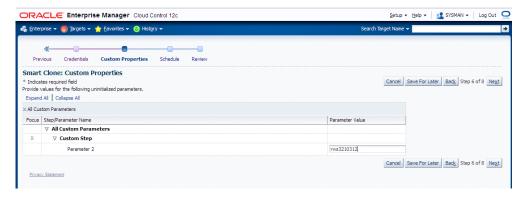


The Credentials page for a Smart Clone procedure where the source applications system is single node and the target database is RAC is shown in the figure below. On this page you can enter and test the required credentials for all the nodes.



10. Enter values for custom parameters. These would be used in any directive steps you have created.

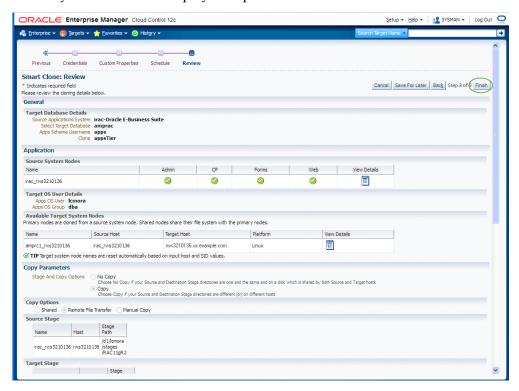
You can create directive steps to be integrated into a deployment procedure. For more information on deployment procedures, see the Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control Administrator's Guide. For a description on how to create a directive step and insert it into a procedure created using the "Create Like" feature and a shipped Smart Clone procedure, see: Adding Custom Steps to a Smart Clone Deployment Procedure, page 13-51.



11. Schedule the deployment.



12. Review your Smart Clone deployment procedure and click Finish.



# Running Scale-Up and Scale-Down Multi-Node Cloning Procedures for **Releases 12.0 and 12.1**

This section describes using Smart Clone for scale-down and scale-up cloning of Oracle E-Business Suite application nodes.

This type of procedure is supported for Oracle E-Business Suite Releases 12.0 and 12.1.

This procedure is similar to the single-node Smart Clone procedure; the main difference is in specifying the source and target in the "Source/Target" step in the interview process.

The following steps provide a high-level description of a Smart Clone procedure:

- Smart Clone configures the target database.
- Smart Clone clones and configures the applications tier from the source Oracle E-Business Suite system.

These steps result in creating a target Oracle E-Business Suite system which is ready to

### To run a multi-node cloning procedure:

- 1. Navigate to the Cloning home page by using the following path: **Targets** menu > Oracle E-Business Suite >Administer >Cloning. Choose "Smart Clone" from the "Start a Clone" list.
- 2. Enter general information for the cloning process. This step captures information related to the target database already cloned and discovered in Enterprise Manager.

Provide a transaction name for the Clone Name.

Choose the source Oracle E-Business Suite you would like to clone from the LOV.

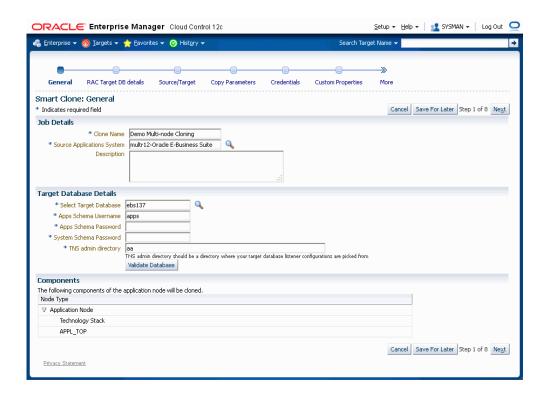
Select the target database which is cloned from the source Oracle E-Business Suite's database.

Based on the type of database (that is, a single instance database versus a RAC database), the rendering of the Target Database Details region will dynamically change. The figure below shows the rendering of the region for a single instance database.

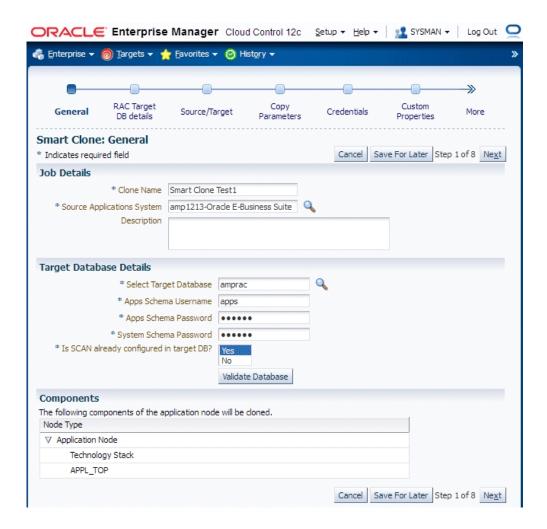
Provide the following for the target database:

- Apps Schema Username
- Apps Schema Password
- System Schema Password
- TNS admin directory

You can click on Validate Database button or you can leave it to the Next button to perform the same action.



If the target database is a RAC database, the Target Database Details is rendered differently, as shown in the following figure.



Provide the following for the target database:

- Apps Schema Username
- Apps Schema Password
- System Schema Password

Specify whether SCAN is configured in the target database.

You can click on **Validate Database** button or you can leave it to the **Next** button to perform the same action.

3. Enter RAC Target database details, if applicable.

This step only applies if the target database is a RAC database. This step is skipped if the target database is a single instance database.

If the source Oracle E-Business Suite technology stack has the required patches applied for configuring customized names for listeners, then this page would

automatically render so that you provide names for the target database listeners in the required field "New Listener Name".

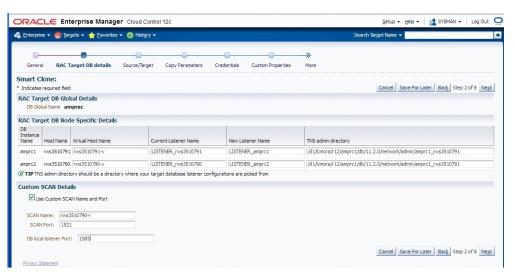
If the source Oracle E-Business Suite technology stack does not have the required patches, then Smart Clone will give default names to the listeners using the naming convention "LISTENER <hostname>".

If the source Oracle E-Business Suite technology stack has the required patches applied for configuring the target database with "SCAN Listeners", then the "Custom SCAN Details" region is rendered with the "SCAN Name" and "SCAN Port" fields populated automatically. It is highly recommended not to change these values if it automatically populated. If for some reason the SCAN Name and SCAN Port fields are not populated (for example, if the cluster target instance discovered in Enterprise Manager has not populated these values yet as properties), then you must enter correct values into these fields.

Optionally, check the box "Use Custom SCAN Name and Port" if you want to get the target database configured with the SCAN listener. If you do not check the box "Use Custom SCAN Name and Port", then Smart Clone will clone the target database with virtual host names.

If the source Oracle E-Business Suite technology stack does not have the required patches, then the "Custom SCAN Details" region will not be rendered and the target database will be configured with virtual host names.

If the target instance is already configured with SCAN listeners, then by default the "Use Custom SCAN Name and Port" check box will be selected.

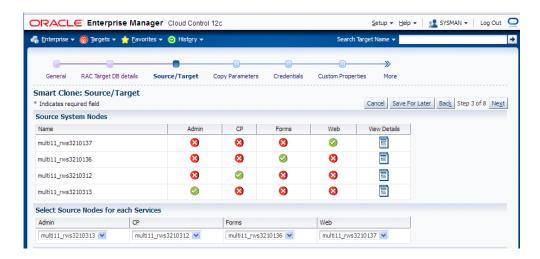


Enter source information in the Source/Target step.

The "Source System Nodes" region shows the details of the source Oracle E-Business Suite applications tier including:

Number of nodes on which the applications tier is deployed

Details of the services on the nodes



Enter target information on the Source/Target step.

Choose the type of target. For multi-node cloning, the options are:

- Multi-node target with a non-shared file system
- Multi-node target with a shared file system

Note that when the target has a shared file system that:

- The first node in the admin service list is considered the primary service.
- The Target location has "Override Defaults" selected as a provision to update the shared directory location for APPL\_TOP, COMN\_TOP, and so on.

If you choose either of the multi-node choices, a new set of options is shown:



Add a node to each service by clicking on the **Add** button for the service and choosing the node from the LOV.

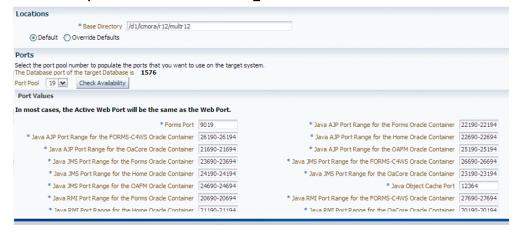


If you want to delete a node from a service, select the node to be deleted and click the **Delete** button.

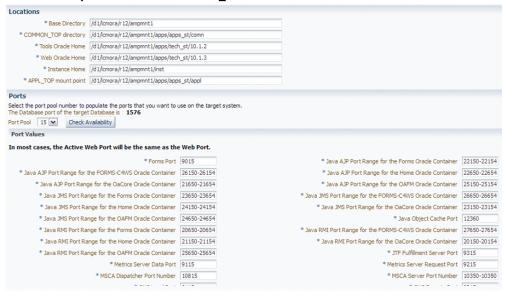
After you add the lists of nodes, you can navigate to the "Common Properties" page.

In this page you specify properties such as port data and the applications base directory location.

#### Common Properties for Non-Shared APPL TOP



### Common Properties for Shared APPL TOP



When you click the Check Availability button, the port availability check box on all selected nodes will be selected. This verification is also done when you click **OK** for the page itself.

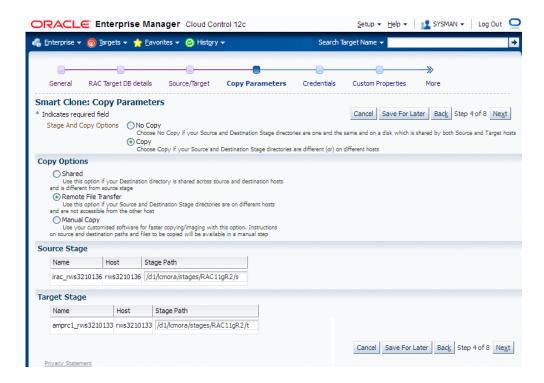
The port pool and individual port values are updated from the source instance.

If there is an invalid value in the port pool from the source instance: following error will be shown: "NOTE: Source Apps portpool context variable (s port pool) is invalid: <value>. Setting to default value '0'. Please update as needed!"

Click **Next** to proceed to the next step. After you click Next, the system checks to confirm all the services are enabled on the target node.

**Note:** Dependent services are automatically added to the nodes.

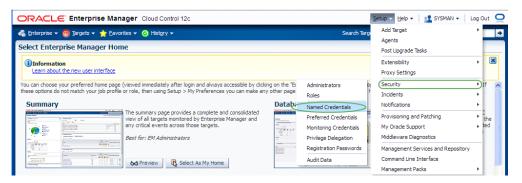
In the Copy Parameters step, choose options for how your copying will be done.



## Enter Credentials.

Smart Clone uses named credentials. You can select and test the named credentials on this page.

Named credentials can be created by navigating to the **Setup** menu, then **Security** > named credentials, and clicking Create.



Smart Clone requires the following credentials to be created:

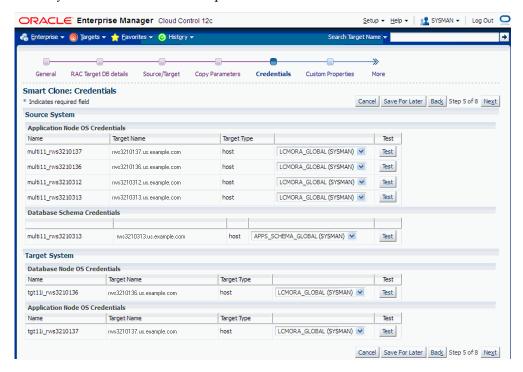
- Application Node OS Credentials and Database Node OS Credentials.
  - Authentication Target Type Host
  - Credential Type Host Credentials

#### **Database Schema Credentials**

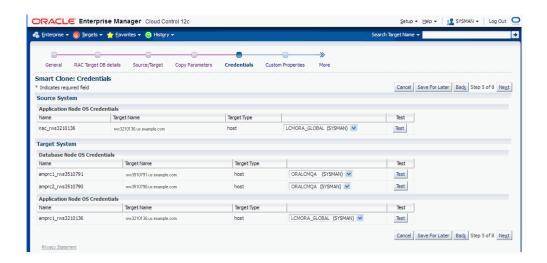
Refer to the section Named Credentials, page 5-2 for information on creating the Oracle E-Business Suite Database credentials.

> **Note:** Database schema credentials appear only when the source applications system is on Release 11i and using a non-shared file system.

The Credentials page for a Smart Clone procedure where the source applications system is multi-node and the target database is non-RAC is shown below. This page allows you to enter and test all required credentials.

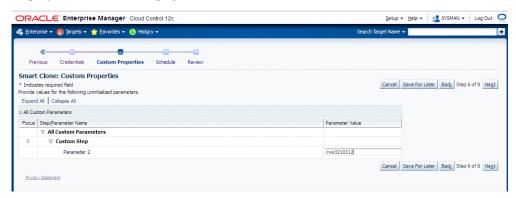


The Credentials page for a Smart Clone procedure where the source applications system is single node and the target database is RAC is shown below. This page allows you to enter and test the required credentials.



**10**. Enter values for custom parameters.

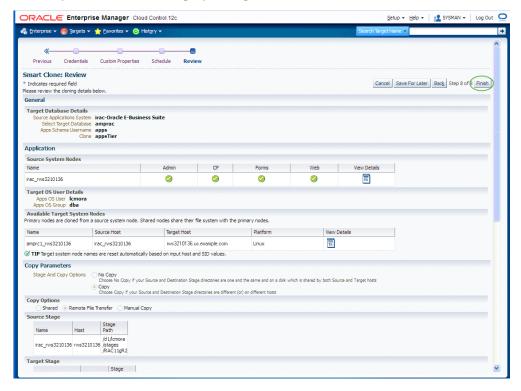
You can create directive steps to be integrated into a deployment procedure. For more information on deployment procedures, see the Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control Administrator's Guide. For a description on how to create a directive step and insert it into a procedure created using the "Create Like" feature and a shipped Smart Clone procedure, see: Adding Custom Steps to a Smart Clone Deployment Procedure, page 13-51.



11. Schedule the deployment.



**12**. Review your Smart Clone deployment procedure and click **Finish**.



### What's Next

When a multi-node to multi-node applications tier cloning procedure is submitted, then, irrespective of whether it is a "scale-up" or "scale-down" procedure, the admin node is configured first with the given services enabled. Then each node will be configured one after the other, depending on the node details specified in the cloning interview.

After all the nodes are configured, the URLs used in accessing Oracle E-Business Suite are redirected to the node on which AutoConfig was last run. Therefore, after all nodes are configured, you should run AutoConfig again on the node in which the web service is enabled.

**Note:** For more information, see My Oracle Support Knowledge Document 1349509.1, All the URLs Accessing Oracle E-Business Suite Are Getting Redirected to the Web Node Where AutoConfig Last Ran.

# Smart Clone for Releases 12 and 12.2.x: Requirements, Setup, **Prerequisites**

# Requirements and Setup Steps

- Cloning using Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business suite requires Perl 5.005 or later on the Oracle Enterprise Manager agent. The user who starts the agent processes must set the PERL5LIB environment variable pointing to Perl 5.005 (or later) libraries. Also, the Perl executable 5.005 must be used.
- While upgrading the database from 9*i* to 10*g* (or 11*g*) with an Oracle E-Business Suite Release 11*i* instance, you need to ensure that the source instance perl.exe is pointed to the database 10g (11g) ORACLE\_HOME of the Oracle E-Business Suite.
- All the virtual internet protocol (VIP) addresses configured in the Oracle Cluster Ready Services (CRS) of the target nodes identified for the created RAC instance must be up and running.
- With Release 11i, for a clone job from Single Node Single User to Single Node -Multiple User, ensure that you have write permissions for user IDs to the target base directory. Give 770 permissions to the directories from/to the target base directory with the following command:

```
$ chmod -R 770 <target base directory>
```

- If for a cloning process the target is multi-node and the database node domain and the applications node domain are different, perform the following step:
  - Include the target database node server name in the /etc/hosts file of the target applications node so that the applications node will be able to resolve the database node without the domain name. The modification should be like the following (this entry is for Linux x86; change as appropriate for your platform):

```
<ip-address> <Machine name with domain name> <Machine Name>
For example:
```

```
140.87.205.217 adc60002demo.us.example.com adc60002demo
```

2. For Release 12 only: In addition to the above entry in the /etc/hosts file, the applications node context file needs to be changed.

```
Change the s dbdomain entry in the
```

<STAGE LOC>/appsTier/context/apps/<SID> <SERVER NAME>.xml file to the correct domain name of the database tier.

For example, if the database node domain name is idc.example.com and the applications node domain name is us.example.com, then the context file

```
/d1/QA/stage/PMS29/080522035852/PMS29 adc60010demo.xml
```

should be changed to

```
<domain oa_var="s_dbdomain">idc.example.com</domain>
```

The OS utilities make, ld, cc, and ar must be in the environment PATH variable in all the host targets. If not, please update the PATH variable accordingly and restart the agent in the same terminal.

# **Prerequisites**

The following are prerequisites which must be met before starting a Smart Clone for R12, 12.2.x procedure:

- The source Oracle E-Business Suite instance must:
  - Be up and healthy.
  - Have been discovered in Oracle Enterprise Manager and its status must not be pending.
  - Have its /etc/oraInst.loc pointing to the correct oraInventory at the time of running Smart Clone.
- 2. If you attempt to clone a database with Smart Clone, then custom scripts are required.
  - The user must prepare the list of scripts (which supports arguments and input parameters).
  - Place them in corresponding hosts.
  - Make sure the scripts have executable permissions.
  - Make sure the scripts exit with the proper exit code (0 for success).
  - By the end of execution of all scripts, the OMS and application tier nodes should be able to connect to the database.
- If you can also use an already-cloned database, the target database must:
  - Have already been cloned from the database of the source Oracle E-Business Suite instance.

- Must be up and running.
- Have been discovered in Oracle Enterprise Manager and its status must be up.

**Note:** Do not use the same SID (system identifier) for the target database as the source database. Doing so will lead to the failure of the last step of the Smart Clone procedure (discovery of the cloned instance).

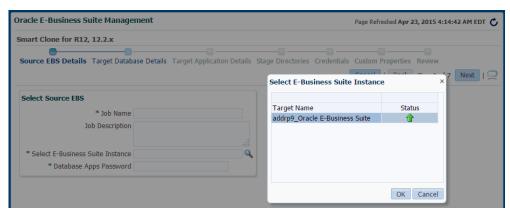
- 4. The Oracle E-Business Suite Plug-in must be deployed on all the target database hosts and application tier hosts before starting the Smart Clone for R12, 12.2.x process.
- The same set of user privileges as required in Release 12.1.0.3.0 are applicable to this release as well.

# Running a Smart Clone Procedure for Releases 12 and 12.2.x

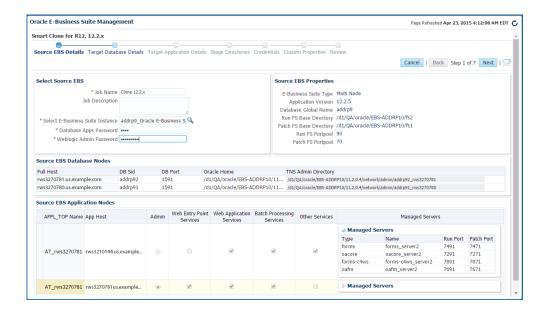
This section describes the steps for cloning a database and application tier for Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12 and 12.2.x using the "Smart Clone for R12, 12.2.x" procedure.

## To submit a clone procedure:

Select the source Oracle E-Business Suite instance. This will display the application and database node information.



Verify the source Oracle E-Business Suite instance details. Enter the WebLogic Admin password. Then, click Next.



3. Enter the target database details.

If the database is not cloned, skip this step and continue to Step 4. If the database is already cloned and discovered, follow the below steps to enter the target database details.

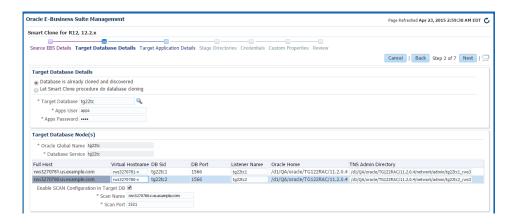
Select the target database from the LOV and update the following text fields:

- Apps User: Target database Apps user
- Apps Password: Target database Apps password
- If target is RAC: Choose to Enable/Disable SCAN
- If SCAN is enabled, enter the complete SCAN name and SCAN port.

**Note:** It is important to enter a complete SCAN name along with the domain name.

Verify the following auto-populated values and update accordingly:

- If target is RAC: Listener Name
- TNS Admin Directory



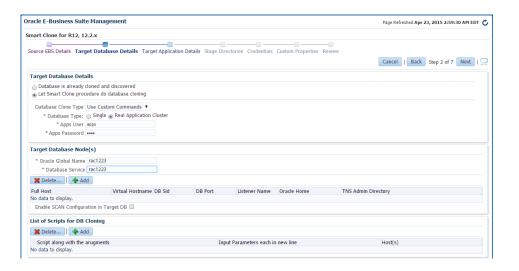
This step only applies if the database is not cloned. This step is skipped if you have already completed tasks outlined in Step 3.

If the database is not cloned, follow the below steps to define the target database details, add the target database host(s), and to add the list of scripts.

### **Defining the Target Database Details**

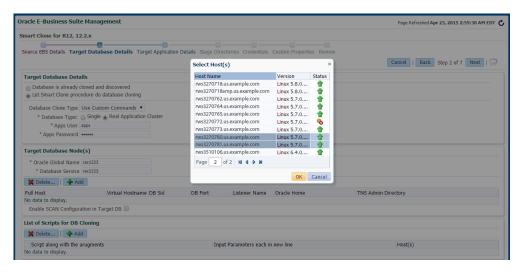
Choose the "Let Oracle EBS Clone procedure to clone database" option and fill in the following details of the target database:

- Database Type: After the database clone is done, what will be the database type (single or RAC)
- Apps User: Target database Apps user
- Apps password: Target database Apps password
- Oracle Global Name: Database Global Name
- DB Service: Database Service Name with which a connection can be established after the database clone
- If target is RAC: Choose to Enable/Disable SCAN
- If SCAN is enabled, enter the complete SCAN name along with domain



### Adding the Target Database Host(s)

Add target database hosts by clicking on the **Add** button in the Target Database Nodes table.



The following fields must be updated in the table:

- If target is RAC: Virtual Hostname
- If target is RAC: Listener Name
- TNS Admin Directory



### Adding the List of Scripts

Click on the Add button in the List of Scripts for DB Cloning panel. This will add a new row to the table.

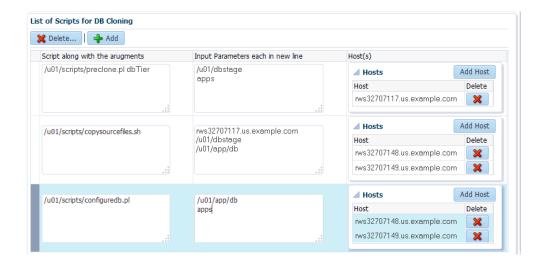
On each row, enter the following details:

- The absolute path of the script along with the arguments.
- If the script prompts for user inputs, then enter the values for these prompts in the same sequence.
- Add the hosts on which the scripts need to be executed.

For example, the first row in the screenshot shown below represents:

- The script /u01/scripts/preclone.pl will be executed with one argument "dbTier."
- This script will prompt for 2 input parameters and values for these prompts are "/u01/dbstage," "apps."
- This script will be executed on the host "rws32707117.us.example.com."

These scripts will be executed one after the other in the sequence provided.



Enter the target application details.

## **Enter the Common Properties of the Application Tier**

- Base directory: In which the target application system will be cloned to.
- Instance directory
- If application is pre-Release 12.2.x: Portpool
- For Release 12.2.x applications: RunFS Portpool
- For Release 12.2.x applications: PatchFS Portpool

### Add the Application Node(s)

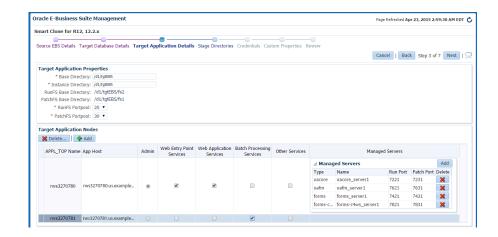
In the Target Application Nodes panel, click the **Add** button to add a host.

- Update the following details:
  - Web Entry Point Service Group: To enable following Services in the current node
    - OHS, OPMN
  - Web Application Service Group: To enable following Services in the current node
    - oacore, forms, oafm, tns\_apps
    - For Release 12.2 only: forms-c4ws, oaea
  - Batch Processing Service Group: To enable following Services in the current

#### node

- Concurrent Manager, ICSM, JTFF
- Other Services: To enable following Services in the current node
  - forms\_server, met\_cl, met\_srv, mwa\_srv
- For Release 12.2 only: Admin To enable WebLogic Admin Server in the current node
- For Releases earlier than 12.2.x only: Root Service Group To enable the node manager in the current node

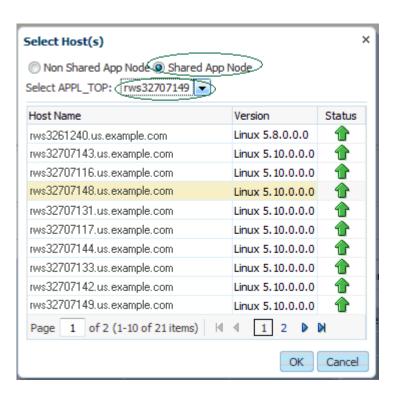
**Note:** For Release 12.2, node manager will be automatically enabled if Web Application Service Group is enabled.



### Enter Details Specific to Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2.x:

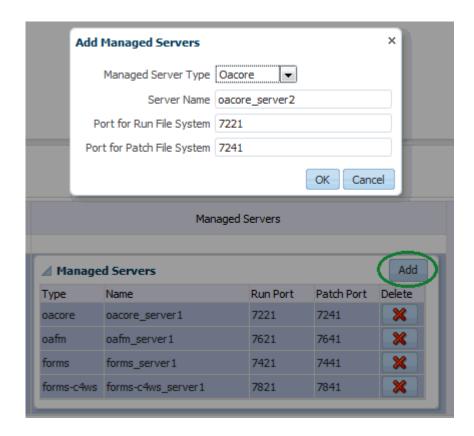
Add the application node as a shared file system node.

- After adding a least one application node, the next node can be added as a non-shared application node/shared application node.
- In the Add Host pop-up, select the **Shared App Node** radio button and APPL\_TOP drop-down.



Update managed servers.

When you select "Web Application Services," default managed servers will automatically be populated. A user can delete/add managed servers as shown below:



Enter the stage directory details.

Choose a copy option to clone the source node application file system to the target nodes:

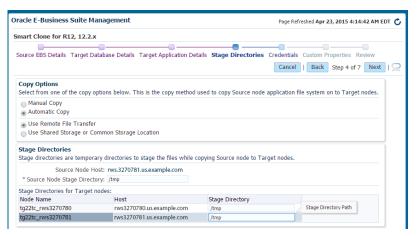
- Manual copy: If you want to copy the files manually, the file system on the target application node is already present.
- Automatic copy: With the automatic copy option, Smart Clone will automatically copy files from the source to the target.

For the automatic copy option, you can choose a copy method type in the stage directory:

- Remote File Transfer can be chosen when the source and target Oracle E-Business Suite instance are on different hosts.
- Shared Storage or Common Storage Location can be chosen when the source admin host and target application host are same or when the source admin host and target application host(s) share a common mount point.

Enter the stage directory details for the source admin host and target application host(s).

**Note:** Make sure this directory has write permissions. The stage directory has sufficient space to hold complete source file system (Approximately 15GB - 20GB or more free space is required, depending on the source application file system).

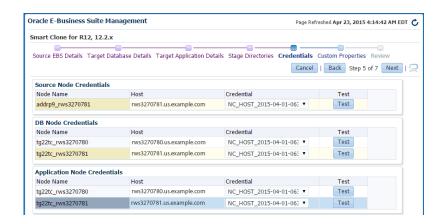


Enter the host credential details.

The following host credential details must be defined:

- Source Node Credentials: This table will have the Admin Node of the Source EBS.
- DB Node Credentials: This table lists all the Target DB Nodes along with the Hosts on which custom scripts will be run.
- Application Node Credentials: This table contains all the Target Application Node hosts.

**Note:** It is recommended that you verify your entries using the **Test** button before proceeding to the next step.



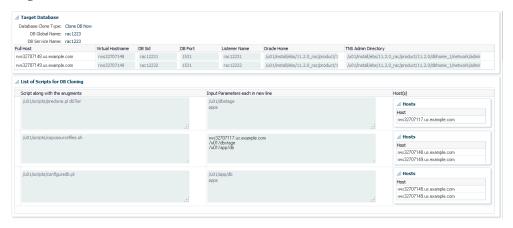
#### Review the details.

The last step displays the data that you have entered. Please review the data and click on the Finish button to submit the clone.

Source Oracle E-Business Suite instance details for review:



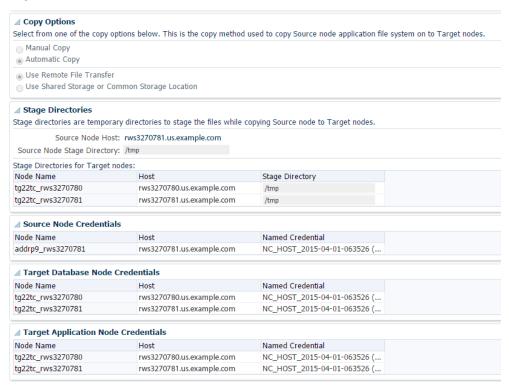
Target database details for review:



Target application details for review:

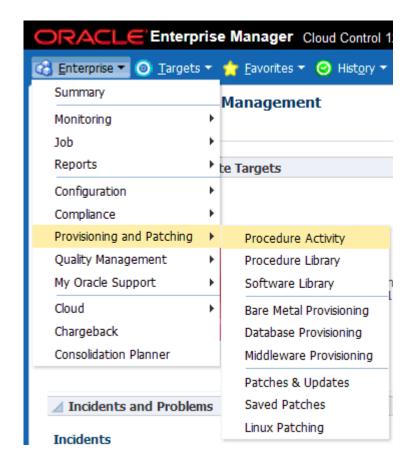


#### Stage directories and credentials for review:



#### Viewing the status of a submitted Smart Clone procedure:

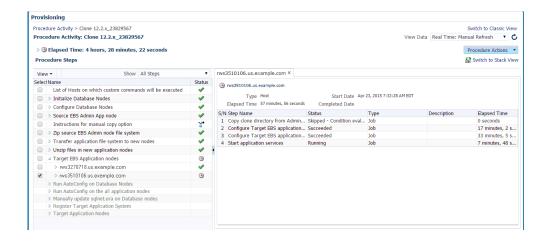
Open the Procedure Activity page by navigating to the Enterprise menu > Provisioning and Patching > Procedure Activity.



2. Enter the Job Name that was provided when the procedure was submitted into the Search field and click **Go**.

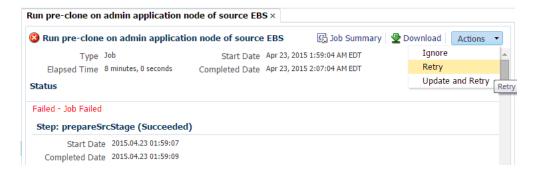


Click the corresponding check box to select a procedure to view its details.



If any of the procedure step statuses are marked as failed, select the step to view it in the procedure view and choose one of the following options:

- Ignore Ignore the current failed step and proceed to the next step.
- Retry Retry the failed step.
- Update and Retry Update the job parameters and retry the failed step.



#### Note on Manual Steps for a Smart Clone Procedure for Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2.x:

In the Smart Clone deployment procedure for Release 12.2.x, as AutoConfig on the database tier will update the sqlnet.ora there will be a manual step just before the target Oracle E-Business Suite discovery step to enable the OMS host(s) to connect to the target Oracle E-Business Suite database. You need to verify and update the OMS host(s) entry for tcp.invited nodes if tcp.validnode checking is set to yes.

$\nabla$	Run AutoConfig on the all application nodes	Rolling
	Register new topology for EBS release 12.2.x	Job
	Run AutoConfig on application node	Job
$\nabla$	Manually update sqinet.ora on Database nodes	Parallel
	Manually update sqlnet.ora on Database nodes to enable OMS Connectivity	Manual
∇	Register Target Application System	Paralle
	Discover Target Application System	Job
$\nabla$	Target Application Nodes	Paralle
	Stop EBS PatchFS Admin Server if its up and running	Job

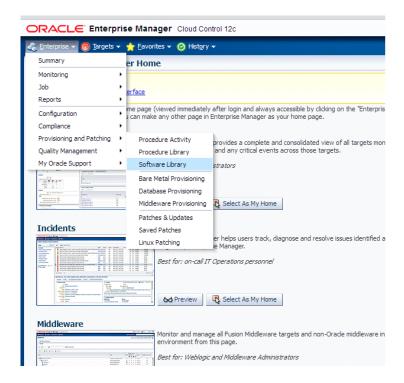
**Note:** If "Custom Commands for Database Cloning" is used, then the target Oracle Application needs to be discovered manually.

# Adding Custom Steps to a Smart Clone Deployment Procedure

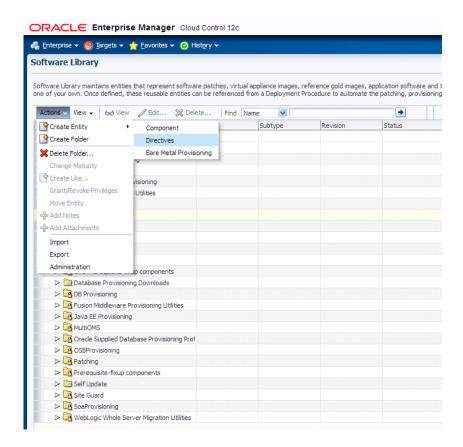
This section describes creating custom steps and adding them to a Smart Clone deployment procedure. For more information generic information on how to create a directive step and add it to a copy of an out-of-the-box deployment procedure, refer to the Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control Administrator's Guide.

#### Create a directive step:

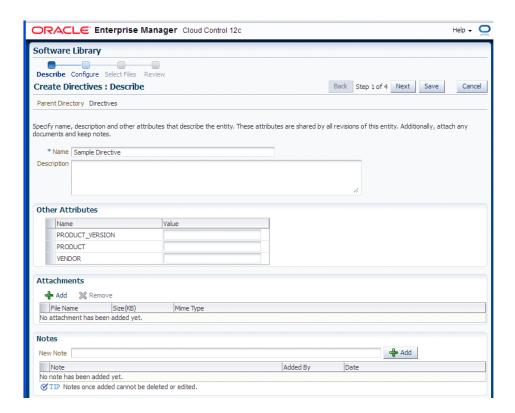
From the Enterprise menu, select Provisioning and Patching, then select Software Library.



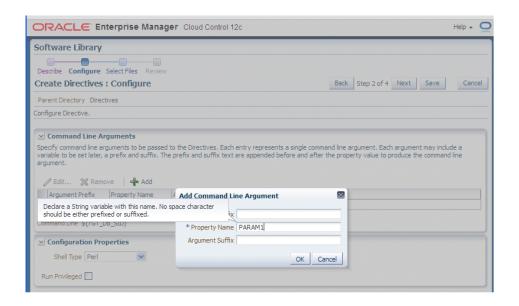
Create a new directive. From the Actions menu, select Create Entity, then select Directives.



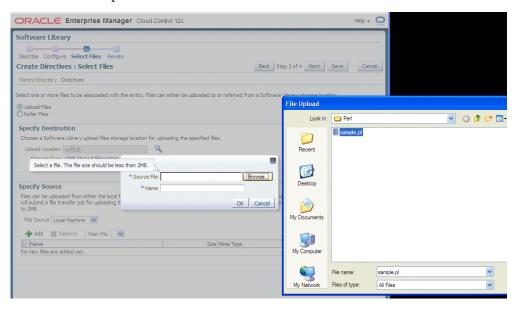
Specify a name and other attributes for the directive.



Add parameters for the directive.



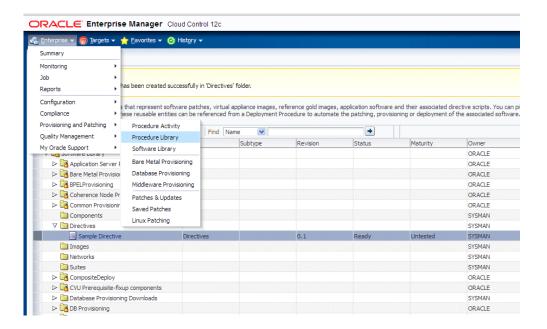
Select the "Software Library" location and the script to be executed. In the example below, a Perl script is used.



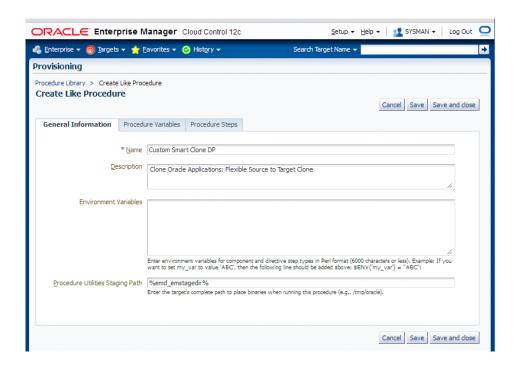
Click **Next** and **Save and Upload**.

#### Create a copy of the out-of-box Smart Clone deployment procedure:

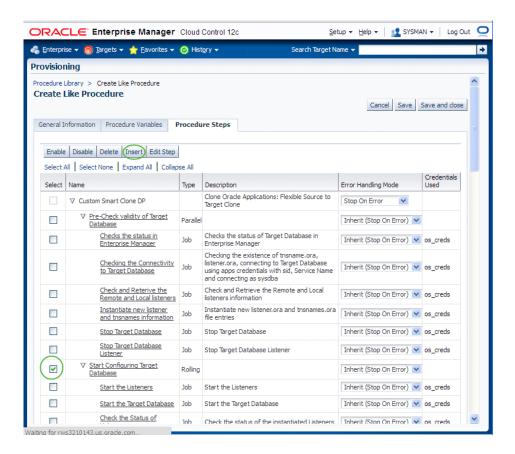
From the Enterprise menu, select Provisioning and Patching, then select Procedure Library.



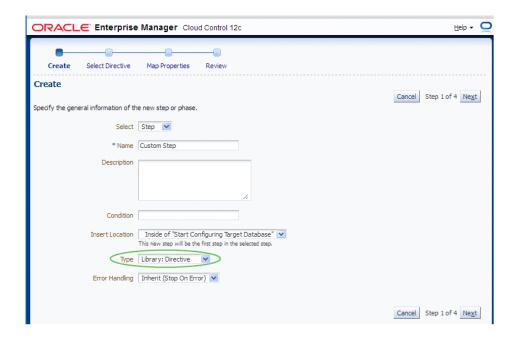
- Select "Smart Clone" and click "Create Like".
- Enter a name and other general information.



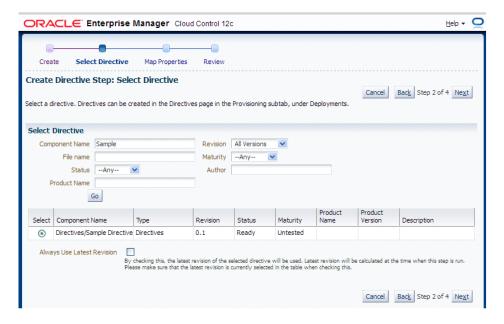
On the **Procedure Steps** tab, select the step before, inside, or after which you want to add the custom step, and click Insert.



5. Give the new step a name and enter additional information for the step.



Search for the directive and click **Next**.

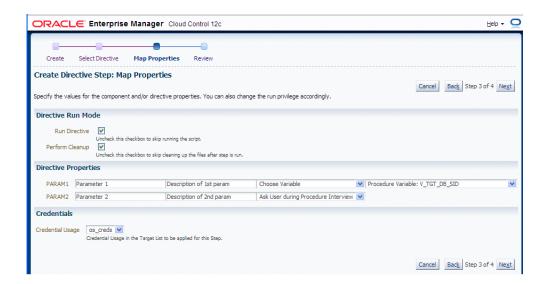


Map the parameters as required in the Map Properties step.

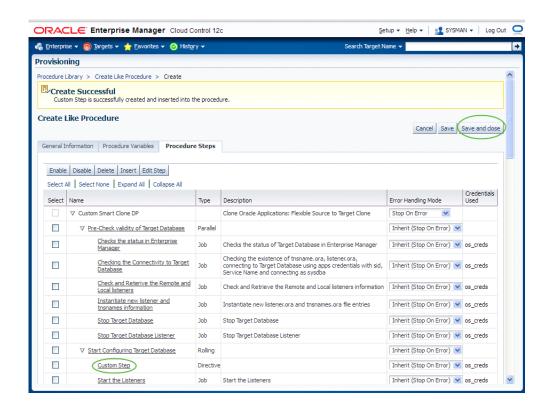
In our example, a text box will be provisioned in the Smart Clone procedure interview to provide the value for "Parameter 2".

**Note:** In Release 12.1.0.4.0, the option 'Ask User during Procedure

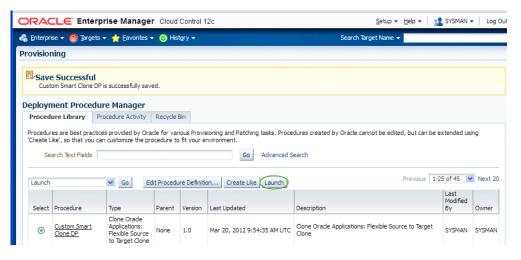
Interview' is supported ONLY in the Smart Clone for Releases 11i and 12 (application tier only) procedure.



Save the custom step and then save the procedure.



You can now submit the newly-created deployment procedure.



# **Introduction to Change Management**

This chapter covers the following topics:

- Introduction
- Approval Process for Change Management
- Preferred Credentials for Change Management
- Notifications Setup
- Diagnostic Tests

## Introduction

Change Management functionality allows customers to control and manage the changes to Oracle E-Business Suite systems. Without an approval from the authorized approver, changes through patches or customizations cannot be made to any Oracle E-Business Suite instance using the Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite

Change Management functionality includes following components:

- Approval Management Manage and control changes done to Oracle E-Business Suite through patches or customizations using approval management.
- Patch Management Automates deployment of Oracle-delivered patches and customizations using Patch Manager.
- Customization Management Discovers customizations and automates the customization package creation and deployment process using Customization Manager.
- Cloning Automates the Oracle E-Business Suite cloning process.

Please see detailed description of each of these components in their respective sections of this document.

#### **Major Benefits**

- Simplifies the mechanism of orchestrating changes across multiple Oracle E-Business Suite systems.
- Improves user productivity by automating the deployment of changes.
- Reduces human errors by providing a standards-based change deployment framework.
- Provides notifications on pending approval requests and status of changes to specific users or user groups

# **Approval Process for Change Management**

The Change Approval process helps ensure that all changes done with Oracle-delivered patches or customizations in Change Management go through a change approval mechanism. Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.1.0.4.0 introduces a Multilevel Hierarchical Approval Process for Change Management requests, such as requests to apply patch(es) on an Oracle E-Business Suite instance. In previous releases of the Oracle E-Business Suite plug-in, the approval process is single level; that is, if any Change Management request is submitted for approval, then any user with the Approval privilege can approve the request. With the Multilevel Hierarchical Approval Process, the change request will go through the Approval Hierarchy of users defined for the Oracle E-Business Suite target for which the change request is submitted.

The Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite supports three types of change requests which need an approval process: (1) Create Splice Request, (2) Release Package Request, and (3) Patch Manager Request. Each type of change request normally has one active Approval Hierarchy defined for it. If no approval hierarchy is defined for a request type, then the default single level approval will take place for all the requests of that type. An approval hierarchy is identified by Hierarchy Type, which is the change request type and the Oracle E-Business Suite target. The request will follow the hierarchy defined for it.

**Note:** The change request type "Release Package" is not specific to an Oracle E-Business Suite target, so an Oracle E-Business Suite target is not required while defining an approval hierarchy for this request type.

The Multilevel Hierarchical Approval process involves three major components.

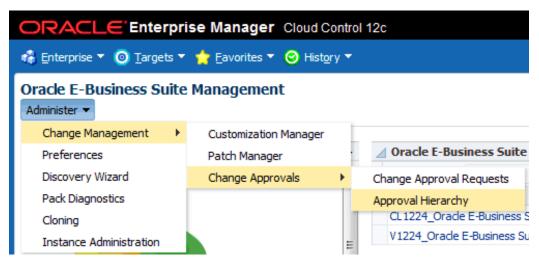
- Defining an Approval Hierarchy.
- Following the Approval Hierarchy when a request is submitted.

3. Using the functions View/Approve/Reject "Change Requests".

**Note:** See the section Change Management Privileges, page 7-5 for information on required privileges.

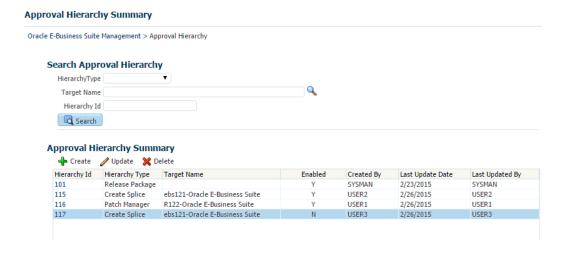
## **Navigation**

To go to the Approval Hierarchy home page from the Oracle E-Business Suite Management home, navigate to Administer > Change Management > Change Approvals > Approval Hierarchy.



## **Approval Hierarchy Home**

The Approval Hierarchy Home page shows the summary of defined Approval Hierarchies. Each Approval Hierarchy is associated with a Request Type (Hierarchy Type). An Approval Hierarchy is uniquely identified by its Hierarchy ID, and one change request type can have multiple Approval Hierarchies but only one is enabled at a time.

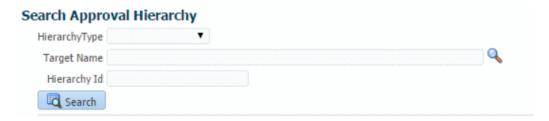


### **Approval Hierarchy Page Accessibility**

Any user can view any Approval Hierarchy, but only users who have a privilege with the "Create/edit approval hierarchy" privilege can create, modify, or delete an Approval Hierarchy. This privilege is a Resource Level Privilege of the Oracle E-Business Suite plug-in.

### Searching for an Approval Hierarchy

By default all existing Approval Hierarchies are displayed in the Approval Hierarchy home page with a "Search" region at the top. Users can search Hierarchies by Target Name or Hierarchy ID.



## **Creating an Approval Hierarchy**

You must have the "Create/edit approval hierarchy" privilege to create an Approval Hierarchy.

In the Approval Hierarchy home page, click on **Create**.

Select the Hierarchy Type and Oracle E-Business Suite Target for which the Hierarchy is to be created, and add users who have the approval privilege (The LOV displays users who have the privilege to approve the selected request type). **The Approval Hierarchy** Level is the order in which Approvals are required. If the request is rejected at any

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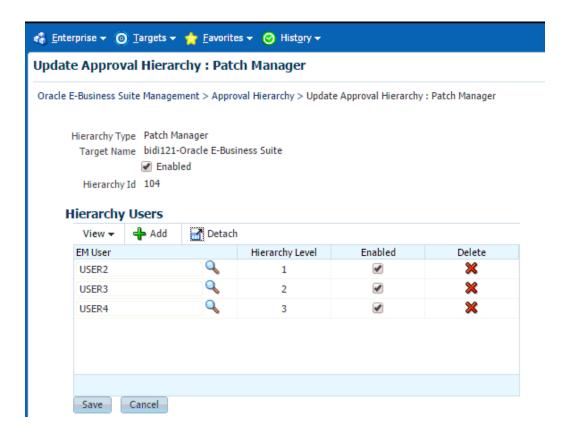
level, then the request will not continue to the next level.

## Enabling or Disabling an Approval Hierarchy or a User in an Approval Hierarchy

There can be multiple Approval Hierarchies for a request type, but only one Approval Hierarchy can be enabled at a time. Change management requests will follow the Approval Hierarchy which is enabled. The users within an Approval Hierarchy can be enabled or disabled as well. Disabled users in an Approval Hierarchy will be skipped and approval process will go to the next level.

## **Updating an Approval Hierarchy**

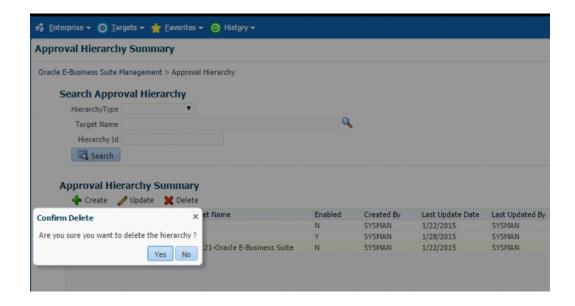
In the Approval Hierarchy Home page, select the Approval Hierarchy to be updated and click the **Update** button. Note: If any Change Request is pending (status is Pending for Approval) within an Approval Hierarchy, then update of that Approval Hierarchy is not allowed.



# **Deleting an Approval Hierarchy**

In the Approval Hierarchy home page, select the Approval Hierarchy to be deleted, and click Delete.

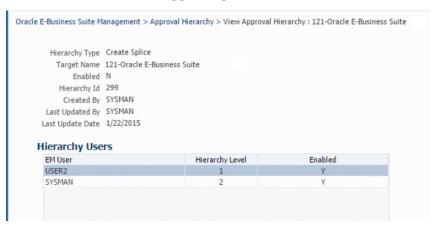
Note: If any Change Request (Pending, Approved, or Rejected) exists for that Approval Hierarchy, then the Delete function is not allowed. A user can choose to disable that Approval Hierarchy, however.



## Viewing an Approval Hierarchy

In the Approval Hierarchy Home page, click on Hierarchy ID link to view the Approval Hierarchy.

**Note:** All users have access to view the hierarchies in order to view the user(s) associated with the approval process.



# Associating an Approval Hierarchy to a Change Request

The user creating the Change Request selects the Hierarchy Type which is the change request type and the Oracle E-Business Suite target for which the Change Request is to be applied. (Note that a Release Package request does not need an Oracle E-Business Suite Target).

If any Approval Hierarchy exists for that request type (or target, in the cases of hierarchies with the types 'Create Splice Request' and 'Patch Manager Request'), the request will go through that hierarchy for approval. Note: If no approval hierarchy is defined for a request type and Target and then the default single level approval process will take place.

## Handling Removal (from Enterprise Manager) of a User or Unavailability of Users during **Approval Process**

Note: In this section, the "Approval Hierarchy Administrator" is the user who has the resource privilege Create/Edit Approval Hierarchy.

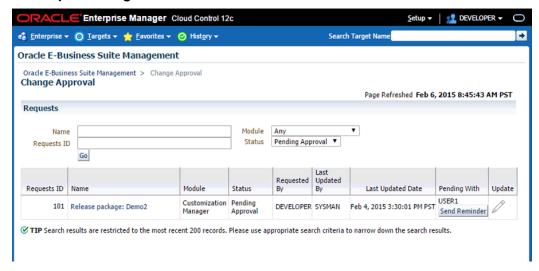
If a user in an Approval Hierarchy is removed when no request is Pending within that Approval Hierarchy, then the removed user needs to be disabled from the Approval through the "Update Hierarchy" page. If the user is not disabled, then new requests cannot be submitted to the associated request type.

If a user in an Approval Hierarchy is removed while a Change Request is Pending with him/her, then:

- 1. A Warning message is displayed for the request in the Change Requests page.
- 2. If requester sees a warning message about the non-existence of a user at a particular level of the Approval Hierarchy, he/she has the option to send a notification to the Approval Hierarchy Administrator.
- 3. Once the requester notifies the Approval Hierarchy Administrator about the removed user, all Approval Hierarchy Administrator users including the Super Administrator (a Super Administrator has all privileges) receives the email, and the Super Administrator has to approve the request on behalf of the removed user.
- 4. Once the request is approved by the Super Administrator, an Approval Hierarchy Administrator can disable the removed user from the Approval Hierarchy to prevent the future requests from going to the removed user.

The Super Administrator can approve or reject a request at any stage of the Approval process. The Super Administrator can approve one level at a time and cannot approve for all levels at once. The Approval Hierarchy Administrator is designated to create or edit the Approval Hierarchy.

## **Change Approval Requests Page**



The Change Approval page allows users with the proper privileges to perform the following:

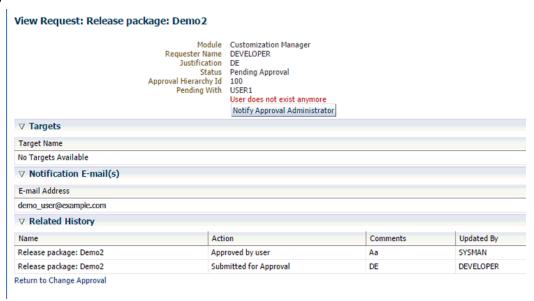
- Users can view their own requests. A user who submitted a request or requests can view all the requests that he or she submitted.
- If the logged-in user is the next approver for a pending request, he/she can approve
  or reject that request. Other users with the specific approval privilege will be only
  able to view the specific type of request.
- Users can track historical data with respect to change control requests for auditing purposes using "Related History".
- If a request is pending for a longer time than expected, then the requester has the option to send a reminder to the next approver in the Approval Hierarchy.

The table of requests includes columns for Module, Status, Requestor, Last Updated By, Last Updated Date, and the user with whom the request is currently pending approval ("Pending With").

If a request is pending approval with a user who does not exist in Enterprise Manager anymore, then a warning is displayed stating that the Approval Hierarchy Administrator should be notified.



#### Viewing a Request



By clicking on a request name in the Change Approval Requests page, you can view information on that request, including its status, Approval Hierarchy ID, Targets, Notification Email recipients, and Related History.

If a request is pending approval with a user who no longer exists, then you can use the button **Notify Approval Administrator** to notify the Approval Hierarchy Administrator.

Note that if multiple Approval Administrators exist, then a notification will be sent to any 5 Approval Administrators. If no Approval Administrator exists, then an error message is displayed.

## Auto-Approval - Requestor is Part of the Approval Hierarchy

A change request is auto-approved (approved without user intervention) and goes to the next steps in the following cases:

If an Approval Hierarchy exists:

- 1. All change requests will go through the approval process before their execution. In some cases, the request will be auto-approved (without user interaction) as described in this section.
- 2. Auto-approval at one level if the Requestor is part of the Approval Hierarchy (Example: Hierarchy is L1-->L2--L3--L4, if L3 creates request the request gets approved at L3 once L2 approves).
- 3. A Super Administrator can approve a request at any level but only one level at a time.
- 4. If a user does not exist, the requestor can notify all Approval Administrators who have the **Approval Hierarchy** privilege. (Note: A Super Administrator has all privileges including the **Approval Hierarchy** privilege).
- 5. A user who has the **Approval Hierarchy** privilege can create/edit an Approval Hierarchy (Note: A Super Administrator has all privileges including the Approval Hierarchy privilege).
- **2**. If an Approval Hierarchy does not exist:
  - A request is auto-approved if the requestor has the Approve privilege.

# **Preferred Credentials for Change Management**

When using Change Management features, you will need to access Oracle E-Business Suite instances. You can set up credentials for these instances for every user as a one-time setup step instead of entering them every time you need to access an instance. Note that preferred credentials are not shared across users. See the Credentials chapter beginning with the section Overview of Credentials, page 5-1 for more information.

## **Notifications Setup**

You have the option of sending e-mail notifications to users regarding updates to the Oracle E-Business Suite systems. To have these notifications sent successfully, you must have the system set up properly:

- Ensure that the agent on the Oracle Management Server is up and running.
- Ensure that the command parDeploy has been run as part of the setup of Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control 12c.
- Enter the SMTP information as described below.

#### To set the SMTP information in Oracle Enterprise Manager:

The Outgoing SMTP Server information must be entered in Oracle Enterprise Manager.

**Note:** If the SMTP information is not set correctly, notifications will not be sent.

- 1. Within Oracle Enterprise Manager, navigate to Setup > Notifications > Notification Methods.
- **2**. Set the Outgoing Mail (SMTP) Server value.
- Enter additional information as needed.

# **Diagnostic Tests**

Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite includes diagnostic tests that should be run to ensure your system is set up correctly to use the pack's features. These tests are run using the Pack Diagnostics choice on the Administer menu in the Oracle E-Business Suite Management page. For more information on using the Pack Diagnostics link, see: Diagnosing Issues Using Pack Diagnostics, page 12-1.

# **Patch Manager**

This chapter covers the following topics:

- Introduction
- Patch Manager Home
- Creating a Patch Run for Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.1 and Earlier
- Copying a Patch Run for Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.1 and Earlier
- Creating a Patch Deployment Procedure for Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2
- **Extending Patch Manager Deployment**
- Patch Worker Logs, Health Checks, and Troubleshooting

#### Introduction

Patch Manager allows you to deploy Oracle-delivered patches or customizations across Oracle E-Business Suite instances. You can create a patch run definition and run it multiple times on multiple instances and you can copy a patch procedure and modify it to suit your business needs. Also, you can easily access details on patch runs, correct errors if necessary, and continue the patch runs.

Note: If you will use Patch Manager with Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2, you should be familiar with Online Patching concepts before using Patch Manager. Refer to Oracle E-Business Suite Concepts and Oracle E-Business Suite Maintenance Guide for information on Online Patching.

## **Key Features**

Patch Manager has the following features:

Delivers patch recommendations to Oracle E-Business Suite and Technology Stack.

- Automates the deployment of Oracle-delivered patches and custom packages across multiple Oracle E-Business Suite instances.
- Leverages common Oracle E-Business Suite utilities such as adpatch and adop.
- Automates the patching deployment process to reduce overall patching deployment time and efforts.
- Enforces patch promotion policies for applying patches to pre-production instances prior to applying them to production systems.
- Supports searching and downloading of patches from My Oracle Support. The patches are downloaded to a central location on Oracle Management Server (OMS).

**Note:** If My Oracle Support is unavailable to OMS, then Patch Manager is also able to search for and apply patches from the central staging location.

- Supports National Language Support (NLS) patches.
- Provides a complete history of all patch deployments.
- Provides a customizable patch deployment procedure.
- Leverages Oracle Enterprise Manager infrastructure for distributed processing.

With Patch Manager, you can accomplish the following tasks:

- View the readme of a patch with just one click.
- Check for prerequisites for Oracle E-Business Suite application patches.
- View and apply un-applied patches based on Oracle patch recommendations that are specific to any given Oracle E-Business Suite instance.
- Schedule deployments based on the target's time zone.
- Schedule deployments of patches immediately or in the future.
- Perform a complete series of pre/post health checks when deploying patches.
- Track and monitor all patching deployments "Running", "Scheduled", "Saved" and "Succeeded" from a centralized console.
- View patching worker logs directly from the Patch Manager UI.
- Send and receive notifications for patch failures and completion.

Run diagnostic tests. Oracle recommends running pack diagnostics for Patch Manager to ensure that credentials and privileges are set properly. For more information on pack diagnostics for Patch Manager, refer to: Diagnostic Tests for Patch Manager, page 12-10.

## **Patch Manager Home**

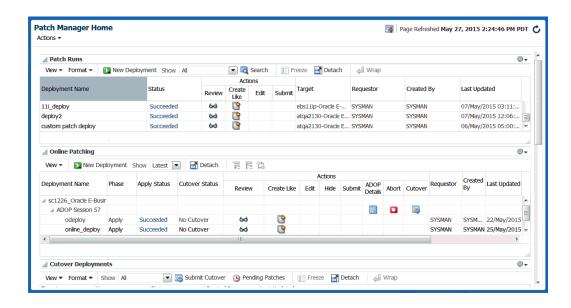
The Patch Manager home page provides an overview of the patch deployment procedures. You can use the Personalize Page icon to hide, show, or reorder the regions on the page. For example, if you are patching Release 12.2 targets primarily, you can personalize the page to display the Online Patching region first and also display the Abort Runs and Cutover Runs regions.

The default Patch Manager home page displays following regions:

- Patch Promotions You can use this region to promote patches based on predefined patch promotion policies.
- Patch Runs used for targets on releases 12.1 and earlier
- Online Patching used for Release 12.2 targets
- Patch Logs used to access patching log files

Two other regions are available, but are hidden by default. Customers running Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2 or higher should enable these two hidden regions.

- **Abort Runs**
- **Cutover Runs**



#### **Patch Promotion Policies**

Patch Manager delivers the capability to enforce user-defined patch promotion policies to ensure changes are made sequentially to pre-production instances (such as test or QA), and then promoted to production systems. These policies can be used to specify that patches must be applied to pre-production systems before applying them to production systems. This feature provides Audit Trail visibility and enhanced internal controls for patch application.

By default, the patch promotion policy feature is not enabled out of the box. Administrators can enable the promotion policy by setting the preference "Enforce Patch Promotion Policy". Once it is enabled, administrators can define various patch promotion policies including multiple Oracle E-Business Suite targets and enforce the sequence in which the patches are promoted. Approvals are required for each Oracle E-Business Suite target before patches can be applied. Requests for approval will be generated when a patch is submitted. A Super Administrator can decide not to use the patch promotion policy for emergency patching or can choose not to include a specific Oracle E-Business Suite target instance in any patch promotion policy. In the case of emergency patching, Patch Manager sends out a notification of the patch promotion violation as a warning. For example, the patch promotion policy for a customization could have the patch proceed from development to testing and user acceptance, then to quality assurance testing and finally to production.



### **Setting up a Patch Promotion Policy**

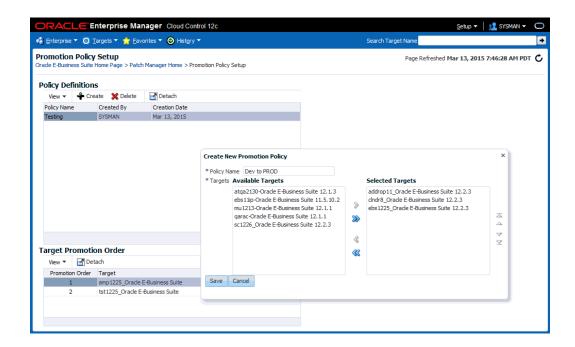
To create a new patch promotion policy, navigate to Patch Manager Home > Action (menu) > Configure Promotion Policies. Then follow these steps:

- Select the Create icon.
- 2. Provide a name for your policy.
- Enter the targets for your policy.

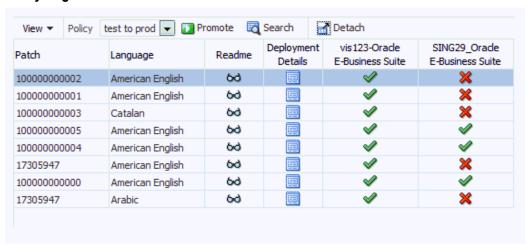
**Important:** A target may belong to only one active policy. Because a given production system generally has multiple supporting instances that are clones of the production system, it would not make sense to put a supporting environment in two different patch promotion policies.

**Note:** You should ensure that all the targets are of same release while configuring a patch promotion policy.

- Specify the promotion order number.
- Click Save to save your work.



#### **Patch Promotion Policy Region**



The Patch Promotion Policy region on the home page displays patches and their statuses on various targets. This table dynamically changes based upon the policy displayed. You can select multiple rows within the table in order to promote patches to the next target defined in the policy.

For example, several developers might submit patches to a development environment. During the promotion of these patches to the next environment, an administrator has the capability to bundle the multiple patches into a single deployment procedure.

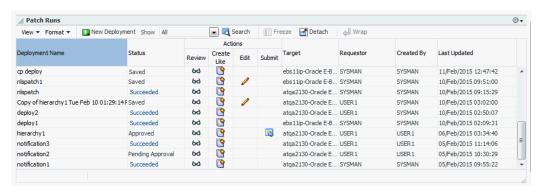
You can select the patches they want to promote and click on **Promote** to apply the patches to the next Oracle E-Business Suite target instance in the patch promotion

policy. The Patch Manager interview is then pre-populated with the selected patches and the target information.

A check mark in each target column indicates that the patch has been applied to the specified Oracle E-Business Suite instance. An 'X' mark indicates that the patch has not been applied to that target Oracle E-Business Suite instance. You can also access the patch readme file and Deployment Details from this region.

#### **Patch Runs**

The Patch Runs region of the Patch Manager Home lists the patch runs and their statuses for Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.1 and earlier.



You can perform various actions on a patch run depending on its status:

- Review Review details of the patch run.
- Create Like Copy an existing patch run, in order to change any aspect of the patch run or to run an identical run due to changes in the patch or target.
- Edit If a patch run is in Saved status, you can edit it.
- Submit If a patch run has been approved through the approval management system, it can be submitted from here.

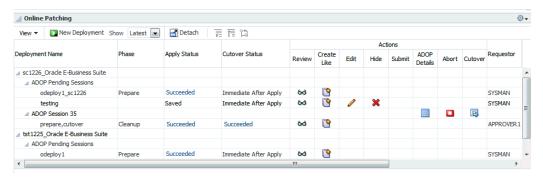
To start a new patch run for Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.1 and earlier, select "New Deployment". If a user has used the "Create Like" feature for the shipped "Patch Oracle E-Business Suite" deployment procedure then clicking "New Deployment" will prompt you for which deployment procedure you would like to use. Otherwise, clicking "New Deployment" will begin the patch run interview.

By default, all records are displayed in the table. To filter the records by status, use the "Show" list. You can also use the **Search** button to apply additional filters to control which records are displayed.

## Online Patching

The Online Patching region displays patch deployments against Oracle E-Business Suite

#### Release 12.2 targets.



Note that with Release 12.2, the adop patching process in Patch Manager is separated into two deployment procedures. The first deployment procedure runs the prepare, apply, finalize, and optionally actualize\_all phases. The second deployment procedure executes the cutover, cleanup, and optionally fs\_clone phases.

You can click "New Deployment" to begin a new online patching interview. You can use the "Create Like" feature to create a copy of an existing deployment.

In this region you can filter by "Latest", "Hidden", and "All". These choices will show only the latest adop sessions, hidden adop sessions, or all of them, respectively.

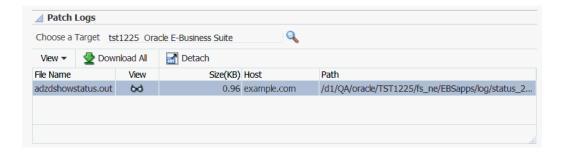
The records in this region are displayed in a tree format with a parent - child grandchild relationship. The parent is the target, the child is the adop session, and the grandchildren are the patch deployments. Patch Manager supports multiple patch deployments in a single adop session. If the deployment procedure has not started or has not run through the "prepare" phase then the deployment records will fall under "ADOP Pending Sessions".

#### Columns in the region are:

- Phase The adop phase the deployment procedure is currently running or ran last.
- Apply Status The status of the "Apply" deployment procedure.
- Cutover Status The status of the "Cutover" deployment procedure.
- Review Link to the review page displaying all interview information.
- Create Like Allows for duplication of an interview.
- Edit Allows for editing a saved interview.
- Hide Allows for hiding a deployment record from the display. The "Apply Status" column value of the record must be "Saved" or "Stopped" for this icon to be enabled. The hide feature hides this deployment from the "Latest" filter so the user can limit the number of saved and stopped deployments in the view. Hidden deployments can still be accessed from the "Hidden" filter setting of the view.

- Submit Allows for submission of a deployment procedure after the interview has been approved in the approval management system.
- ADOP Details This icon opens a window showing the adop phases, applied patches, database editions, and file system details.
- Abort Clicking this icon submits a deployment procedure that runs "adop phase=abort" on all nodes. Before the submission occurs there is a check to ensure the target Oracle E-Business Suite system is in a state that allows for abort (such as, the prepare phase has been run). The check also verifies that the session for which you are running abort is the latest adop session; this step is to ensure that the correct session is to be aborted.
- Cutover This icon submits the cutover deployment procedure. It opens a window in which you can schedule the cutover. This feature also ensures the adop session for which you are running is actually the latest.
- Requestor This is the user who requested the patch be applied.
- Created By This is the user who created the interview.
- Last Updated Timestamp indicating when the deployment procedure was last updated.

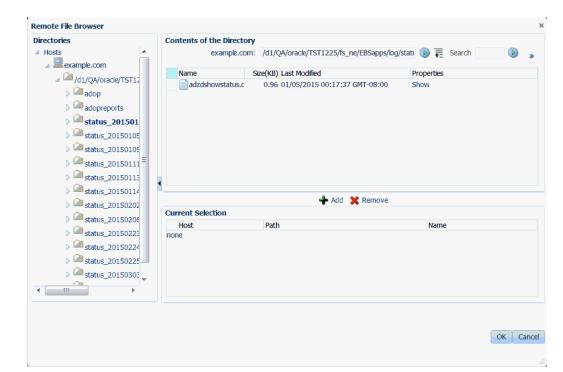
### Patch Logs



The Patch Logs region allows you to view and download patching log files across all hosts of an Oracle E-Business Suite system.

To access log files:

- 1. First select an Oracle E-Business Suite target to which you have been granted access in Enterprise Manager.
- After you choose a target, a list of hosts is displayed in a separate window along with the log file directory for each host.
- From this window you can choose the log file(s) you want to view online or



download to your computer as a ZIP file.

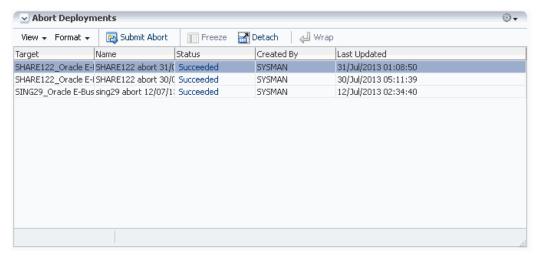
#### **Prerequisites for viewing Patch Manager logs**

To access the Patch Manager Log Viewer, you must have your preferred credentials set for the Oracle E-Business Suite Node target(s) of all application tier hosts. To set these, the navigation in Enterprise Manager is Setup > Security > Preferred Credentials > Oracle E-Business Suite Node. These credentials are required in addition to the credentials needed to use Patch Manager.

In addition, you must have been granted the privilege to raise a Patch Manager request.

For more information, see: Overview of Credentials, page 5-1 and Change Management Privileges, page 7-5.

#### **Abort Deployments**

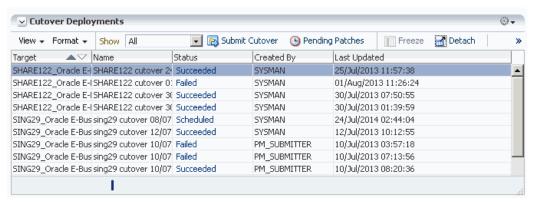


This region shows all of the executions of the "Abort an Oracle E-Business Suite Online Patch Cycle" deployment procedure.

You can submit a request to run an Abort operation against a specific target using the Submit Abort icon.

This region is hidden by default. Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2 customers can display this region on the Patch Manager home page by clicking on the Personalize Page icon on the home page.

#### **Cutover Deployments**



This region displays all executions of the "Cutover Oracle E-Business Suite" deployment procedure. This region is hidden by default. Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2 customers can display this cutover region on the Patch Manager home page by clicking on the Personalize Page icon on the home page.

You can submit a request to perform the cutover operation using the Submit Cutover

icon.

Records can be filtered by status using the "Show" list. The **Pending Patches** button displays all patches that have been applied but not cutover.

#### **Patch Manager Prerequisites**

The following are prerequisites to running a patching procedure. Unless otherwise noted, these prerequisites apply to all releases of Oracle E-Business Suite.

- 1. To download an Oracle patch directly from My Oracle Support, the following property must be set in the Preferences page.
  - Connect to My Oracle Support for Patches This box should be checked.
- Patches are downloaded to the OMS when they are applied. Set the preference OMS Patch Stage Directory Location to the directory to which the patch should be downloaded.

**Note:** If a patch has already been downloaded to the OMS (for example, in a prior patching procedure), then it will not be downloaded again. See: Key Features, page 15-1.

After a patch is on the OMS, it will then be moved to the target Oracle E-Business Suite system. The exception to this step is the case in which the system detects that an Oracle patch is already on the target; the system will not move the patch from the OMS to the target again. Custom patches, described in the next chapter, will always be moved from the OMS to the target because a developer can change the patch.

- 3. The following preferences are set to directories under the APPL\_TOP by default. In general, you should leave these set to the default locations. You can override the default locations, but ensure that the Target Patch Directory Location is not shared amongst multiple Oracle E-Business Suite instances. The Target Stage Directory Location can be shared if all users accessing it have read/write permissions for all files.
  - Target Stage Directory Location The directory to which zipped patches are downloaded.
  - Target Patch Directory Location The directory to which patches are unzipped and from where the patches are applied.

For more information, see: Setting Preferences, page 6-1.

(Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.1 and earlier only) As part of a queueing mechanism for patch runs, set the property Minutes Patch Manager should wait

#### for a down target.

This setup will make patch manager wait for specified amount of time before failing when Patch Manager detects the target is in blackout state. Patch Manager will check every minute to see if the target has come out of the blackout state; if it has, Patch Manager will continue with the patch run. This property specifies in minutes the maximum length of time Patch Manager will wait before the patch run fails.

- 5. Patch Manager uses Preferred Credentials. These must be set prior to running a patch procedure. Navigate to Setup > Security > Preferred Credentials to set these. For more information, see: Overview of Credentials, page 5-1. The Preferred Credentials that might be required are:
  - Oracle E-Business Suite Node credentials must be set to the applmgr account for application tiers and Oracle account for database tiers.
  - Oracle E-Business Suite must have the "AppsDBCredSet" (the APPS schema) and "AppsSysDBCredSet" (the SYSTEM schema) set.
  - Oracle WebLogic Server preferred credentials must be set for Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2 targets.

**Note:** Database credentials are not required for Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2 targets.

**Note:** In a RAC-based Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2 instance, using any Online Patching feature such as patch deployment, cutover, or abort, results in the following error: "Weblogic admin server credential test returned: DB SID passed to getWeblogicDomainName is null."

To work around the problem, follow these steps:

- Navigate to **Targets** from the Enterprise Manager console.
- From the list, choose "Oracle E-Business Suite."
- Select the instance by clicking on it.
- 4. From the instance target menu, choose **Target Setup > Monitoring** Configuration.
- 5. Provide the SID value of the RAC database.
- 6. Click OK.

#### **Blackout Periods**

During the patching deployment process, the system will try to "black out" the targets associated with an Oracle E-Business Suite system. The user submitting the patch run must have the Operator or Blackout Target privilege to be able to black out the target. The following components of the E-Business Suite system will be blacked out during the patch run:

- Concurrent Processing Service
- Forms Based Applications Service
- **Internal Concurrent Manager**
- Listener
- Oracle Applications Infrastructure Service
- Oracle Applications Service
- Oracle Applications System
- Oracle Concurrent Manager
- Oracle E-Business Suite Custom Objects
- Oracle E-Business Suite Infrastructure
- Oracle E-Business Suite Nodes System
- Oracle E-Business Suite Patch Information
- Oracle E-Business Suite System
- Oracle E-Business Suite Workflow
- Oracle Workflow Agent Listener
- Oracle Workflow Background Engine
- Oracle Workflow Notification Mailer
- Self Service Applications Service
- Workflow Service
- Database Instance

Host

By default, the blackout time period is one hour. You can control the blackout duration setting the following properties in the Preferences page. Navigate to this page from the Preferences under Administer menu on the Oracle E-Business Suite Instances page.

- **Default Blackout Hours in Patch Manager**
- **Default Blackout Minutes in Patch Manager**

# Creating a Patch Run for Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.1 and Earlier

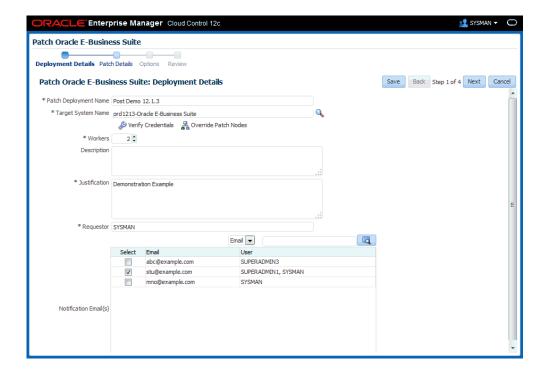
To create a patch run for Release 12.1 and earlier, ensure you have completed the prerequisite steps described earlier. Then navigate to Targets > Oracle E-Business Suite > Administer > Change Management > Patch Manager. From the Patch Manager home page, select "New Deployment" in the Patch Runs region.

Note that you can also copy an existing patch run. From the Home page, select the patch run you wish to copy and click the **Create Like** icon.

**Note:** In the Patch Run interview you can use the **Back** button to go back to a previous step; however, entered values on the current page will be lost.

#### To create a Patch Deployment for Release 12.1 and earlier:

1. In the Deployment Details page, enter the details below.



- Patch Deployment Name Enter a user-friendly name for the patch run. You can search on this name later on.
- Target System Name Choose the target system.

Click the Verify Credentials button to test the Preferred Credentials for the applications system.

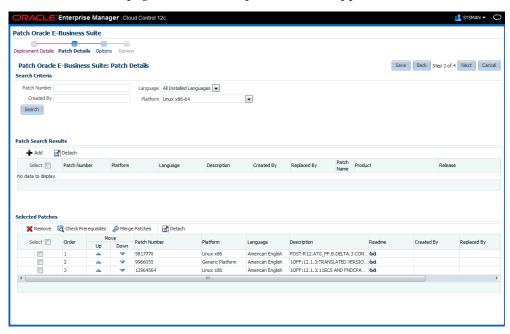
Select **Override Patch Nodes** to choose the hosts on which adpatch will run. The default host name is pre-populated. This option provides support DMZ configurations where some nodes contain a shared APPL\_TOP and some nodes do not.

**Note:** You can select only one Oracle E-Business Suite target.

- Workers The number of workers available on the system. Note that you can change this value.
- Description
- **Justification**
- Requestor The default value is the user name with which you are signed in. You can change this to another name.
- Notification Email(s) Select the email addresses of users who should be

notified of the patch run request.

In the Patch Details page, search for the patch(es) to be applied.



You can search on the following criteria:

- Patch Number
- Language "All installed languages" will return the base (Generic or platform-specific) patch plus any language patches (if they exist) for every language installed on the selected targets. Choosing a specific language from the drop-down list will return its language patch if such patch exists.
- Created By
- Platform Select "Generic Platform" if patch is not port-specific. If you are searching for a patch for a specific platform, your search results will return a Generic-platform patch if no platform-specific patch exists.

From the Patch Search Results table, select patch(es) you wish to apply and click the Add button.

The search results will include the following for each patch found:

- Patch Number
- Platform

- Language
- Description
- Created By
- Replaced By
- Patch Name
- **Product**
- Release

**Note:** If connectivity to My Oracle Support is not available, then the system will search among the patches that are already downloaded at the OMS stage directory location.

The following appears for each patch in the Selected Patches table.

- Order The order in which the patches should be applied. This will be displayed only when you have more than one patch selected and do not have the Merge Patches button selected. You can then reorder the patches.
- Patch Number The patch number.
- Patch Name
- Platform The platform for the patch.
- Language
- Description
- Product The name of the owning product.
- README Click on this icon to review the README file for the patch.
- Created By The user who created the patch (for custom patches).
- Replaced By The patch number that replaces this patch, if any.
- Release The release to which the patch is valid.
- Files The files to be downloaded for the patch.
- Remove If you want to remove this patch from the list, select the check box

and click the **Remove** button.

**Note:** For a controlled-release patch, a password is necessary for downloading the patch. An icon appears, which you can click to enter a password. Passwords expire after a set duration, so for scheduled deployments further in the future, make sure you have already downloaded the patch and staged it.

Use the Merge Patches button if you wish to merge two or more patches.

Note: You should merge AD patches separately from non-AD patches.

Finally, you can check for prerequisites for your patches using the **Check** Prerequisites button.

Specify a schedule in the Options page.



Choose from the following options:

- Start Immediately Patch application will be scheduled to start immediately.
- Schedule Patch application will start at the time you specify. Provide the Date, Time, and Time Zone.
- Indefinite Grace Period With Indefinite Grace Period enabled, if the patches cannot be applied at the scheduled time, the system will try to apply them as soon as possible, and will keep trying indefinitely. Alternatively, if you provide a defined Grace Period in hours and minutes, the system will only try to start the application of patch for that amount of time.

The Blackout Length indicates the amount of time the target system will have a blackout status in Enterprise Manager. Set this length to a higher value for large patch runs.

In the same Options page, specify Patch Options.

Patching Procedure Options	AutoPatch Options	AD Administration Options
Create Target Backup Before Patching	Disable JSP Compilation	Generate Message Files
Create Target Backup After Patching	Disable Invalid Objects Compilation	Compile APPS Schema
Enable HotPatch Mode	Enable Schema Validation	Compile Menu Information
Disable Archive Mode	Disable File Generation	Compile Flexfields
Pause Before AutoPatch Steps	Disable checkfile feature	Re-Create Grants and Synonyms for APPS Schema
Pause After AutoPatch Steps		Relink Applications Programs
Run AutoConfig		Generate Product JAR files
		Generate Reports Files
		Generate Form Files
Notifications		
Action Required		
✓ Problems		
Succeeded		
Running		
Suspended		

For more information on many of these options, see: Oracle E-Business Suite Patching Procedures and Oracle E-Business Suite Maintenance Utilities.

#### **Patching Procedure Options** include the following:

- Create Target Backup Before Patching Adds a pause after system is prepared for backup allowing for a manual backup.
- Create Target Backup After Patching Adds a pause after patch is applied and database is brought back down to allow for a manual backup.
- Enable HotPatch Mode Patch will be applied without shutting down the applications or database, disabling archive mode, or enabling maintenance mode.

In HotPatch mode, AutoPatch applies a patch regardless of whether the Oracle E-Business Suite system is in maintenance mode. Maintenance mode controls the system downtime period by managing user login sessions.

Note: In HotPatch mode, if the patch application fails, the process will still perform/execute the blackout steps in the "Patch Oracle E-Business Suite" procedure. The blackout notifies other Enterprise Manager administrators that a maintenance procedure is being performed on the environment.

- Disable Archive Mode Issues an 'alter database noarchivelog' command.
- Pause Before AutoPatch Steps Adds a pause before AutoPatch (adpatch) is run to allow for any necessary manual preparation.

AutoPatch (adpatch) is the Oracle Applications DBA (AD) tool that applies patches to an Oracle E-Business Suite system.

- Pause After AutoPatch Steps Adds a pause immediately after patch is applied to allow for any necessary manual activities.
- Run AutoConfig Run AutoConfig, the AD tool that manages configuration changes in an Oracle E-Business Suite system.

#### **AutoPatch Options** include the following:

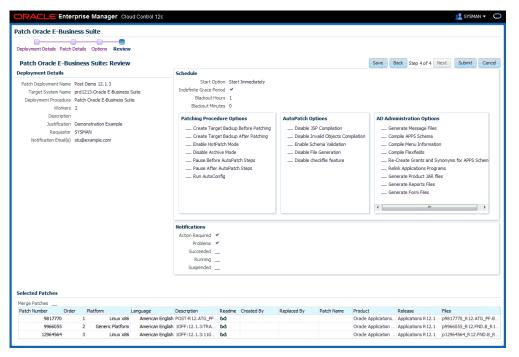
- Disable JSP Compilation Tells adpatch not to automatically compile out-of-date JSP files (nocompilejsp command).
- Disable Invalid Objects Compilation Tells adpatch not to compile invalid objects (nocompiledb command).
- Enable Schema Validation Tells adpatch to connect to all registered Oracle E-Business Suite schemas at the start of the patching process.
- Disable File Generation Tells adpatch not to run commands normally found in generate driver (nogenerateportion command).
- Disable checkfile feature Tells adpatch to disable the checkfile feature while running database portion (nocheckfile command).

**AD Administration Options** are listed below. These tasks are done to manage database objects (database objects or data in the database related to Oracle E-Business Suite). For example, a patch might add new menu entries or change the setup of a flexfield.

- Generate Message Files Creates new message files after the messages have been loaded into the database. The README should instruct you when this is necessary.
- Compile APPS Schema Compiles the APPS schema.
- Compile Menu Information Compiles menus.
- Compile Flexfields Compiles flexfields.
- Recreate Grants and Synonyms for APPS Schema Recreates grants and synonyms for the APPS schema.
- Relink Application Programs
- Generate Product JAR Files
- Generate Reports Files
- Generate Form Files

For the **Notifications** region, specify the statuses for which you would like to be notified.

Review your patch deployment.



The Review Page lets you review your patch run details, target list, patch details, patching options, and schedule.

# Copying a Patch Run for Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.1 and Earlier

You might want to copy an existing patch run to change some aspect of it or to rerun it due to changes in the patch or target. To do this, select the patch run in the Patch Manager Home page and click the Create Like icon.

The system will take you through the patch deployment creation pages as if you were creating a new patch run, but with most values copied from the original patch run. Please note the following:

- The Patch Deployment Name defaults to the original name prefixed with "Copy of" and appended with the date.
- The Requestor field has a default value of the original requester's user name. Change this value as appropriate.
- The new patch run would be scheduled to run immediately by default, because the original run may have been scheduled for a now past date and time.

### Creating a Patch Deployment Procedure for Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2

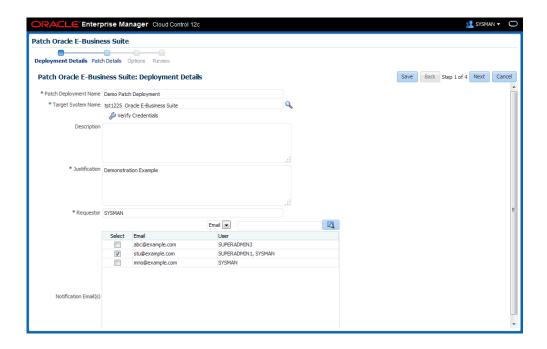
#### To create a Patch Deployment:

Ensure that you have completed the prerequisite steps described earlier.

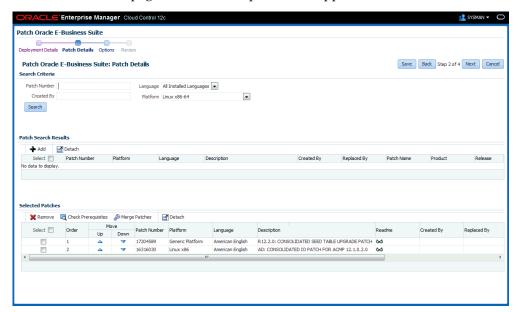
Navigate to Targets >Oracle E-Business Suite >Administer >Change Management > Patch Manager. From the Patch Manager home page, select "New Deployment" in the Online Patching region.

- 1. On the Deployment Details page, enter the details below.
  - Patch Deployment Name Enter a user-friendly name for the deployment procedure. You can search on this name later on.
  - Target System Name
  - Verify Credentials Click this button to check your credentials. This feature ensures that valid preferred credentials are set for you. For information on credentials, see: Overview of Credentials, page 5-1.
    - Oracle E-Business Suite Node credentials (all application tiers; no database tier credentials are required)
    - System schema credentials
    - APPS schema credentials
    - WLS server credentials
  - Description
  - Justification Enter a justification that can be used by an approver deciding to approve or reject this request for patching.
  - Requester The default value is the user name with which you are signed in. You can change this to another name.
  - Notification Email(s) Any users listed here will be notified when the patching deployment request is sent to approval management.

**Note:** These notifications are different from notifications sent regarding the status of a submitted deployment procedure.



2. In the Patch Details page, search for the patch to be applied.



You can search for a patch based on the following criteria:

- Patch Number
- Language
- Created By

#### Platform

**Note:** You must retrieve the desired patch through the Search region even if you have already downloaded the patch to the stage location (the process will not re-download the patch, however).

The search works as follows:

- Custom patches if a patch number greater than 11 characters has been entered or no patch number has been entered.
- Oracle patches if the patch number is less than 12 characters and the "Connect to My Oracle Support for Patches" preference is checked in the Preferences page. Since the target has already been chosen at this point in the interview process, the search will examine the target and search for only patches that are relevant with respect to languages and platform.
- Downloaded patches if the patch number is less than 12 characters and the "Connect to My Oracle Support for Patches" preference is unchecked in the Preferences page.

Selecting the Merge Patches option will merge the patches when running adop later.

Selecting the Check Prerequisites option will connect to My Oracle Support (MOS), check the prerequisites for all the patches, and then check the target system to see if those patches have been applied. You must have "Connect to My Oracle Support for Patches" enabled in the Preferences page to use this option. If you do not have "Connect to My Oracle Support for Patches" enabled, the Check Pre-requisites button will be disabled and prerequisites for patches cannot be checked.

The prerequisite patches can also be selected in the pop-up window and then searched and selected to be applied along with the already selected patches.

The patch application order can be modified by clicking the "Move Up" and "Move Down" arrows.

Note that this page does not require any patches be selected. With Release 12.2, an "empty" patching cycle is supported in Patch Manager where only prepare, finalize, cutover, and cleanup are run.

The following appears for each patch in the Patch Search Results Table:

- Check box for selection
- Patch Number The patch number.
- Platform The platform for the patch.

- Language
- Description
- Created By
- Replaced By
- Patch Name
- Product The name of the owning product.
- Release

Select the relevant check box(es) and click on the Add button to add the selected patch(es) to your patch deployment. It will appear in the Selected Patches table.

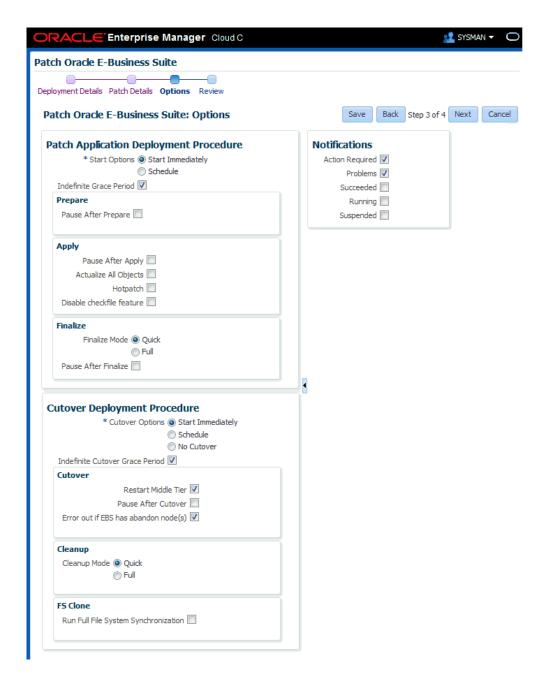
The following appears for each patch in the Selected Patches table.

- Remove Select the check box(es) and click on the Remove button to remove the patch(es) from the list.
- Order The order the patches should be applied. Use the Up and Down icons to change the order of the patches.
- Patch Number- The patch number.

**Note:** For a controlled-release patch, a lock icon appears next to the patch number. Click on the icon to enter a password. Passwords expire after a set duration, so for scheduled deployments further in the future, make sure you have already downloaded the patch and staged it.

- Platform The platform for the patch.
- Language
- Description
- Readme
- Created By
- Replaced By
- Patch Name

- Product The name of the owning product.
- Release
- Files The files to be downloaded for the patch.
- 3. Specify Patch Options.



The online patching cycle has five phases. Patch Manager uses two separate deployment procedures to automate these five phases. The first deployment procedure runs the prepare, apply, finalize, and optionally actualize\_all phases. The second deployment procedure executes cutover, cleanup, and optionally fs\_clone.

On the options page you determine when each of these deployment procedures are executed. The first deployment procedure (that runs adop prepare, apply, finalize, and optionally actualize\_all) can be started immediately upon submission or scheduled. If the "Schedule" option is selected, a date field is dynamically displayed. The grace period is the amount of time Enterprise Manager should wait

if the Enterprise Manager job system cannot start the deployment procedure at the intended time.

#### Patch Application Deployment Procedure

Specify the **Start Options**:

- Start Immediately Patch application will be scheduled to start immediately.
- Schedule Patch application will start at the time you specify. Provide the Date, Time, and Time Zone.
- Indefinite Grace Period With Indefinite Grace Period enabled, if the patches cannot be applied at the scheduled time, the system will try to apply them as soon as possible, and will keep trying indefinitely. Alternatively, if you provide a defined Grace Period in hours and minutes, the system will only try to start the application of patch for that amount of time.

For the Prepare phase, specify Pause After Prepare. This option will stop execution of the deployment procedure after the adop prepare phase has been run. A user would then need to manually acknowledge the pause for Enterprise Manager to continue with the next step.

For the Apply phase, specify **Pause After Apply**. This option will stop execution of the deployment procedure after the adop apply phase has been run. A user would then need to manually acknowledge the pause for Enterprise Manager to continue.

For the Apply phase, specify **Actualize All Objects**. This option will run the adop actualize all phase. If this option is chosen then the cleanup mode is switched to "full".

For the Apply phase, specify **Hotpatch**. This option will disable all other adop phases and run adop in hotpatch mode. This option is not supported unless specifically stated in the patch readme. A warning message is also displayed in Patch Manager when this option is chosen.

For the Finalize phase, specify the **Finalize Mode**. This option runs adop finalize phase in either Quick or Full mode.

Also for the Finalize phase, specify **Pause After Finalize**. This option stops the execution of the deployment procedure after the adop finalize phase has been run. A user would then need to manually acknowledge the pause for Enterprise Manager to continue.

### **Cutover Deployment Procedure**

Specify the **Cutover Options**.

The Cutover deployment procedure has three options for execution:

- Start Immediately
- Schedule
- No Cutover

It can start immediately or be scheduled as described above. In this case an immediate start means immediately after the Apply deployment procedure executes. If a user schedules this deployment procedure and the apply deployment procedure is still running after the schedule date, then the apply deployment procedure will fail when it attempts to submit cutover. The cutover deployment procedure can also be skipped entirely with the "No Cutover" option. "No Cutover" may be useful on a development environment where ten developers are patching a single target and they only want to bounce the instance at midnight. Another example may be when a prerequisite patch was missed. In this situation a user could do a patch run through finalize with the missed prerequisite then restart the original failed deployment procedure.

Check the **Indefinite Cutover Grace Period** box if you want Enterprise Manager to wait an indefinite amount of time if the Enterprise Manager job system cannot start the deployment procedure at the intended time.

For the Cutover phase, the **Restart Middle Tier** is selected by default. When cutover is run, this option controls whether the middle tier is restarted.

The Pause After Cutover option stops the execution of the deployment procedure after the adop cutover phase has been run. A user would then need to manually acknowledge the pause for Enterprise Manager to continue.

The Error out if EBS has abandon node(s) option is selected by default. This option controls whether to allow cutover to happen or error out if abandon nodes are detected in the Oracle E-Business Suite instance.

For the Cleanup phase, choose whether you want the Cleanup Mode be run as Quick or Full.

For **FS Clone**, specify if you want to run a full file system synchronization.

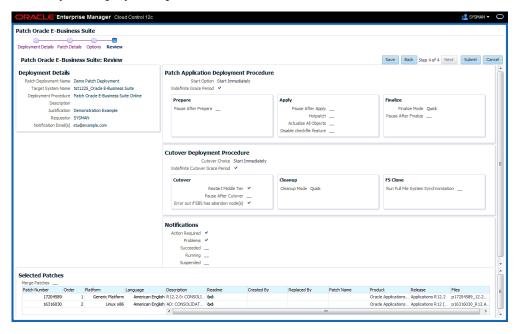
#### **Notifications**

For the Notifications region, specify for which statuses you want notifications to be sent. Users will be notified of a given status if the box is checked and either of the "Apply" or "Cutover" deployment procedures fall into that status.

Statuses for notifications are:

- Action Required
- **Problems**

- Succeeded
- Running
- Suspended
- Review your deployment procedure.



The Review Page lets you review your deployment procedure details.

# **Extending Patch Manager Deployment**

You can extend Patch Manager procedures using the Deployment Procedure Manager using the steps below. In these steps you create a copy of an existing procedure and extend it in the Deployment Procedure Manager.

- Navigate to Enterprise menu > Provisioning and Patching > Procedure Library.
- Extensions are supported for the following two patching procedures for Oracle E-Business Suite:
  - "Patch Oracle E-Business Suite" (for Release 12.1 and earlier)
  - "Patch Oracle E-Business Suite Online" (for Release 12.2)

**Note:** Extensions are not supported in the deployment procedures

- Click the **Create Like** button.
- 4. Rename the copy of the original procedure as desired. You can make other updates here as well.
- **5.** Save your new procedure.
- 6. Upon saving, the Deployment Procedure Manager Procedures tab appears. Your new procedure is listed first. You can select this procedure and click Edit to add steps, choose notifications, or make other changes. For example, you might want to add steps to a copy of the shipped Patch Oracle E-Business Suite procedure to automate the following steps: Pre-Patch Application Tier Backup, Post-Patch Database Tier Backup, or Post-Patch Application Tier Backup.

For more information on the Deployment Procedure Manager and provisioning in Enterprise Manager, refer to the Enterprise Manager documentation, including:

- Oracle Enterprise Manager Lifecycle Management Administrator's Guide
- Oracle Enterprise Manager online help

# Patch Worker Logs, Health Checks, and Troubleshooting

This section describes logging, health checks, and troubleshooting features within Patch Manager.

# **How to Access Patch Logs**

The primary way to access log files is using the log viewer in the Patch Logs region of the Patch Manager Home page. See: Patch Logs, page 15-9.

Alternatively, you can drill down into the steps within an online patching deployment procedure execution to see the logs.

#### **How to Restart Failed Workers**

For Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.1 and earlier targets, use the following steps:

- Navigate to your patch run using any method in "View a Patch Run".
- 2. Click on the Patch Run Name.
- 3. Click on the adpatch step (Apply Patch).

- Select the check box for the failed target.
- Click Update and Retry.
- Change the parameter "restart\_workers" to YES and click Retry.

**Note:** These steps are also listed in the AD Patch Log when you have a failed worker.

For Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2 and later targets, use similar steps to those above except navigate to your deployment and go to the adop apply phase step. Select the check box for the failed target, click Update, change the parameter "restart" to Yes, and click Retry.

- Navigate to your deployment and select it.
- Click on the adop apply phase.
- Select the check box for the failed target.
- Click Update and Retry.
- Change the parameter "restart" to YES and click Retry.

### How to Change the Patch Run Purge Policy

Enterprise Manager periodically purges Patch Manager deployment procedure execution data. As a result, older patch runs may not be accessible in Patch Manager. To change the purging frequency, run the following PL/SQL block connected to the repository as SYSMAN:

```
BEGIN
   MGMT JOBS.drop purge policy('SYSPURGE POLICY');
   MGMT JOBS.register purge policy('SYSPURGE POLICY', <number of days>,
END;
```

### Troubleshooting Patch Manager Deployment Failures

Access the log files is using the log viewer in the Patch Logs region of the Patch Manager Home page. See: Patch Logs, page 15-9.

To find errors using the Enterprise Manager Provisioning feature, do the following:

- Find your patch run or deployment on the Patch Manager Home page.
- Click on the status link for the patch run or deployment. The Procedure Activity tab of the Deployment Procedure Manager in Provisioning

appears.

- For a patch run or deployment that failed, click on its Status link.
- 4. A list of Procedure Steps in the patch run or deployment is shown. Use the dropdown list to filter on the steps shown; for example, choose "Failed Steps" to see the steps that failed. More information on these steps is shown.

**Note:** After analyzing the log files, if you are confident that you can ignore any error and move forward, then in the Procedure Activity window, choose the menu item Actions > Ignore. This option allows you to ignore the error and move forward.

#### **Health Checks**

Patch Manager validates these servers shutting down and starting up: Listener, Forms server, Apache web services, and Internal Concurrent Manager.

# **Customization Manager**

This chapter covers the following topics:

- Introduction
- Major Definitions
- Setup Steps
- Security
- Diagnosing Issues
- Overview of the User Interface
- Managing Custom Applications
- Managing Custom Packages
- Maintaining the File Metadata Repository
- Reporting
- **Customization Discovery**

# Introduction

Customization Manager has following capabilities:

- Automated creation of customization packages that are deployable with Patch Manager or standard Oracle E-Business Suite Applications DBA (AD) Utilities.
- Discover and report customizations in APPL\_TOP, JAVA\_TOP, and Configurations. This report can help customers understand the footprint of the customizations they have, which in turn can be used to plan for upgrading to Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2 or for promoting their customizations to other instances.
- Run readiness reports to ensure these customizations are ready for Oracle

E-Business Suite online patching.

- Support of over 200 different custom file types.
- Validate and register custom objects.
- Validate custom code to ensure adherence to Oracle standards or user-defined standards.
- Auto-correct existing custom applications to ensure custom applications are defined according to Oracle standards.
- Integrate with third part source control or version control software.
- Package and promote custom packages across Oracle E-Business suite instances; leverages Patch Manager to deploy custom packages similar to Oracle patches across Oracle E-Business Suite instances.
- Support for creation of National Language Support (NLS) patches.

# **Major Definitions**

#### **Custom Application**

A custom application is a non-Oracle E-Business Suite application that is registered with Oracle Application Object Library and typically has (at least) its own directory structure and other components.

#### **Custom File**

Any file which is not shipped by Oracle but has been on deployed on an Oracle E-Business Suite instance for the purpose of customizing the Oracle E-Business Suite functionality. The file should be developed according to Customization Standards recommended by Oracle.

#### **Custom Standards**

Any proprietary standard followed by the customer, while developing the custom file, other than what is recommended by Oracle.

### **Package**

A package is a bundle of custom files along with the metadata. It can be applied to any Oracle E-Business Suite instance using AD patching utilities.

#### File Source

The source control to which the custom files are checked in.

### File Metadata Repository

The File Metadata Repository stores information of custom files used to create customization packages. This information can be used to manage and catalog customizations within the system.

#### **File Manifest**

The list of files included in a package.

### **Entity**

One of the Oracle Application Object Library (FND) tables. Examples include: Profiles, Functions, Menus, and Responsibilities.

#### Seed Owner / Seed User

One of the below Oracle Seed Owners. The following is a list of Oracle predefined users used for uploading Oracle-shipped seed data.

- ORACLE12.X.X
- **SYSADMIN**
- **SEED**
- **INITIAL SETUP**
- **OPERATIONS**
- **DATAMERGE**
- **AUTOINSTALL**

#### **Customization Types**

- File System (Appl Top) Custom files under \$APPL\_TOP
- File System (Java Top) Custom files under \$JAVA\_TOP
- Configuration Customized FND data

# **Setup Steps**

- Ensure that the Preferred Credentials are set for each user as described in the chapter Setting Credentials, page 5-1.
- Ensure that the Stage Directory is specified in the Preferences page. This property specifies the OMS stage directory for package creation. To set this, navigate to Targets > Oracle E-Business Suite > Administer > Preferences. For more information, see: Setting Preferences, page 6-1.

# **Security**

Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite uses the native Enterprise Manager functionality of privileges and roles for security. All management activities require that the user has the appropriate privilege(s). Refer to the section Privileges and Roles for Managing Oracle E-Business Suite, page 7-1, to see the privileges needed for each management action in Customization Manager.

# **Diagnosing Issues**

Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite includes a pack diagnostics feature that can be used to troubleshoot issues by running diagnostic tests. Refer to the section Diagnostic Tests for Customization Manager, page 12-13.

# **Overview of the User Interface**

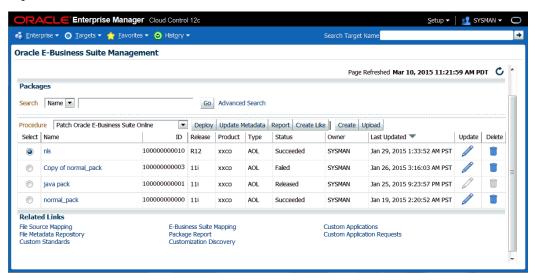
### **Navigate to Home Page**

To navigate to the home page of Customization Manager, go the Oracle E-Business Suite Management page and expand the Administer menu. Select Change Management > Customization Manager.



### **Home Page**

The home page shows the list of packages created. You can select a package and perform management activities like deploy, create like, and so on. These features are explained later.



# Related Links in the Home Page

You can navigate to all other pages from the Related Links section. All these features are explained in detail later.

# **Managing Custom Applications**

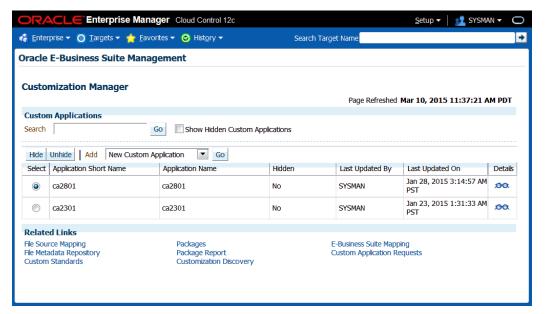
By using the Custom Applications link you can perform the following operations on your custom applications:

- View custom applications and instance associations.
- Hide and unhide the custom applications within Customization Manager.
- Register a new custom application.
- Validate an already-registered custom application.
- If a validation request fails, run the Auto-Correct feature for the application.

A custom application "definition" is de-coupled from registration. Once an application is defined, it can be registered on one or more instances.

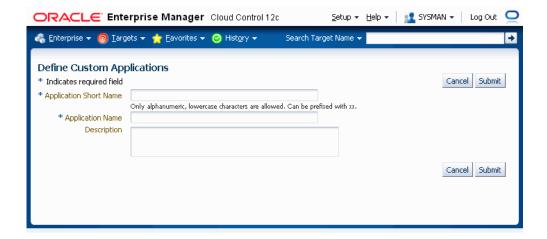
A user must have the "Approve splice request" privilege to hide and unhide custom applications. By default, hidden custom applications will be invisible. A user can check the "show hidden custom applications" box to view the hidden custom applications.

To manage custom applications, go to the home page of Customization Manager and click on Custom Applications in the Related Links section.



### Define a new custom application

Select "New Custom Application" from the Add list and click Go. The Define Custom Applications page appears.



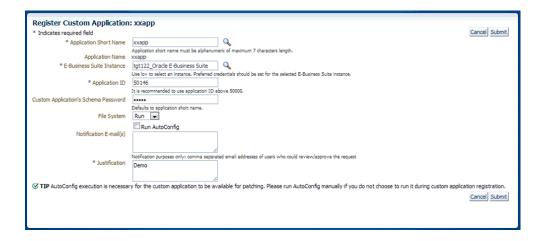
- 2. Specify an Application Short Name for your application. Note that the short name must be a maximum of 8 characters. Only alphanumeric characters and underscore (\_) are allowed, and letters must be lowercase. The application short name is recommended to be prefixed with "xx".
- Specify an Application Name for your application.
- Optionally provide a description.
- Click **Submit** to save your work.

**Note:** A custom application definition is not associated with any specific Oracle E-Business Suite instance but can be used to register the given custom application on one or more Oracle E-Business Suite instances.

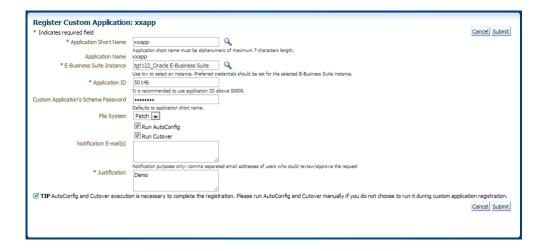
# Register a custom application for a specific Oracle E-Business Suite instance

Once you have defined a new custom application in Customization Manager, you can register it with Oracle E-Business Suite instances.

Navigate to the Custom Application Requests page using its link under Related Links on the Customization Manager home page. Select a request, and click the Register button. Alternatively, you can also click the Register button on the Custom Application details page.



- Enter in the Application Short Name for the application. You can use the LOV provided. Note that the Application Name defaults in.
- Enter in the Oracle E-Business Suite instance. You can use the LOV provided. Note that the required APPLSYS schema, APPS schema and system schema Preferred Credentials need to be set for this Oracle E-Business Suite instance.
- 4. Enter in an Application ID. Oracle recommends you use an application ID greater than 50000. Customization Manager automatically generates and defaults the recommended application ID.
- Enter the custom application's schema password.
- **6.** For an Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2 instance, specify whether to register the custom application on the Run file system or the Patch file system. If you choose the Patch file system, you have the option to defer the adop cutover.

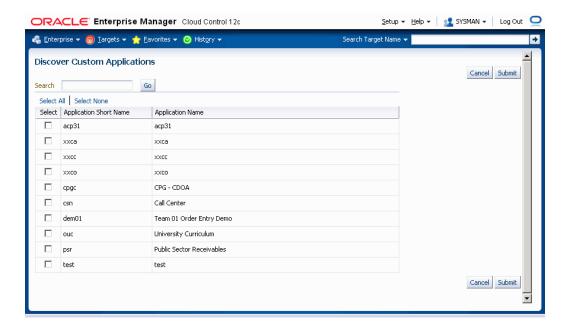


- Select "Run AutoConfig" if desired. AutoConfig execution is necessary for the custom application to be available for patching. Please run AutoConfig manually if you do not chose to run it during the custom application registration.
- Enter e-mail addresses to notify when the request is approved and completed.
- Enter a justification and click **Submit**. A request to register the custom application will be submitted. You can later track the request. See: Track a custom application request, page 16-13.
- 10. The request must be approved by a user with the **Approve splice request** privilege. Until then the request will be Pending Approval status. Once approved, select the Approved request and click Execute.

Note: You have the option of registering a custom application on a patch edition in Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2. In this way, you do not need to wait until a full fs\_clone operation is executed to synchronize the patch edition with the run edition to apply custom patches on the patch edition. The WebLogic Administrator credentials must be set before you register the custom application on the patch edition.

# Discover an existing custom application

Navigate to the Custom Applications page. Select "Existing Custom Application" from the Add drop-down list and click **Go**. The Discover Custom Applications page appears.

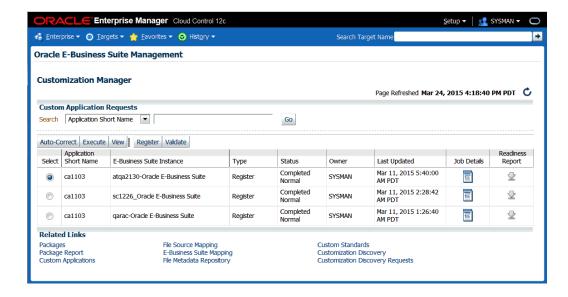


Optionally, you can use the Search feature to narrow down the results the table.

Select the custom application you wish to discover and click **Submit**.

### Validate an existing custom application

If you have custom applications registered in your Oracle E-Business Suite instances, you can validate them to check if you can apply a patch using AD patching utilities (adpatch for Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.1.3 and earlier; adop for Release 12.2 and later).



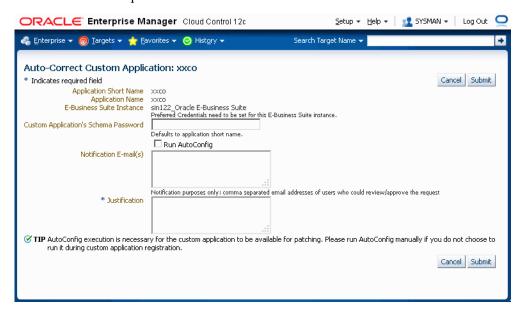
- Navigate to the Custom Application Requests page using its link under Related Links. Select a request, and click the **Validate** button. Alternatively, you can also select the instance and click the Validate button from the custom application view details page.
- Enter in the Application Short Name for the application. You can use the LOV provided. Note that the Application Name defaults in.
- 3. Enter in the Oracle E-Business Suite instance. You can use the LOV provided. Note that the Preferred Credentials need to be set for this Oracle E-Business Suite instance.
- Select "Generate Readiness Report for Online Patching" if desired for Release 12.2 instances. This option reports Edition-Based Redefinition (EBR) violations in the specified custom schema that include objects not complying with the EBR rules about non-editioned objects (data storage objects such as tables and materialized views), and referencing editioned objects (code objects such as: packages, triggers, object types, and so on). This report also lists several naming standard violations that must be fixed prior to applying the online patching enablement patch for Release 12.2.
- 5. Click **Submit**. A job to validate the custom application will be submitted. Validation is based on certain standards and is provided by Oracle Applications DBA (AD) utilities. For details about the validation, see: Validation of Custom Applications: Examples, page E-1.

# Auto-correct an existing custom application

If your request to validate a custom application fails, you can use the Auto-Correct feature to help you make the custom application conform to Oracle E-Business Suite standards. Note: This feature can only be used on failed validation requests.

The user who submits the auto-correction request must have the **Splice Request** privilege. The request must be approved for execution using Change Approval.

1. Click the "Custom Application Requests" link under Related Links on the Customization Manager home page. The Custom Application Requests page appears. Select a request and click the Auto-Correct button. Note: If you choose a request that did not fail in the Validation step, you will receive the error "Only failed validation requests are allowed for auto-correction."

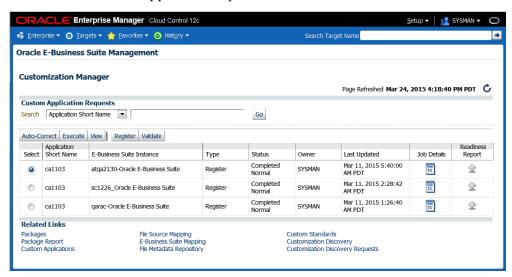


- In the Auto-Correct Custom Application page, enter the following:
  - Custom Application's Schema Password. If you do not enter a value, the application short name is used by default.
  - E-mail addresses for whom to notify when the request is approved and completed. (Optional)
  - Justification (Required)
- 3. Click **Submit**. A request to auto-correct this existing custom application will be submitted. You can later track the request. See: Track a custom application request, page 16-13.
- 4. The request must be approved by a user with "Approve splice request" privilege. Until then the request will be Pending Approval status. Once approved, select the Approved request and click **Execute**.
- 5. You can download the log if the corresponding job for your request has been

purged and no longer exists in the Enterprise Manager system.

# Track a custom application request

1. Navigate to the Custom Applications Requests page using its link under Related Links. Select a custom application request from the table and click **View**.



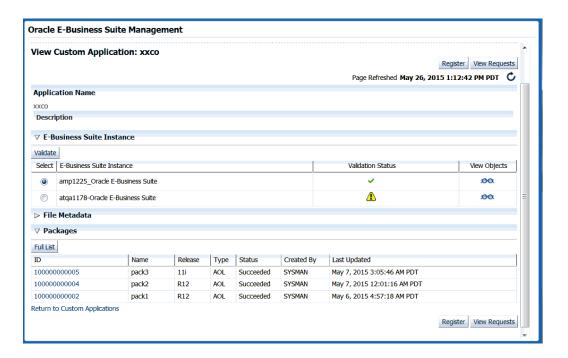
Details for the request will be shown.



**Tip:** To debug or view logs of a custom application request, click on the "Job Details" icon against the specific custom application request. This will show the EM job log associated with the custom application request. Click and view details on the "DO\_JOB" step to view the detailed log of the given custom application request. In case of a failure of a custom application request, a new request should be submitted after rectifying the errors/failures listed in the job details log.

# View the details of a custom application

View details of a custom application by navigating to Custom Applications, selecting the application name, and clicking the **View** button.



#### Details include:

- A list of instances where the custom application is present with the status validated/not validated. If the status is not validated, it is recommended to use the Validate button to launch a validation request. A valid status ensures that custom patches for the given custom application can be applied on that instance.
- Custom objects associated with the given custom application which are present on the given instance can be viewed by clicking on the "View Objects" icon. Customization Manager automatically discovers and relates the following objects associated with a custom application:
  - **Custom Forms**
  - **Profile Options**
  - Request Sets
  - Custom Database Objects
  - Alerts
  - **Audit Group Information**
- All files in the File Metadata Repository for the given custom application.
- A list of packages that have been created for the custom application.

# **Managing Custom Packages**

# **Developing Custom Code**

# File Types

Customization Manager allows you to package custom files of a variety of file types, including the following:

- Oracle Application Object Library (FND) objects menus, responsibility, concurrent programs, and so on
- Forms
- Reports
- Database objects views, tables, triggers, packages, and so on
- Oracle Application Framework components

For more information on file types, see Supported File Types in Customization Manager, page C-1.

# Standards for developing custom code

Custom code must be developed as per the standards published by Oracle. Refer to the customization standards in the Oracle E-Business Suite Developer's Guide. Also, for Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2, refer to My Oracle Support Knowledge Document 1577661.1, "Developing and Deploying Customizations in Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2."

### Validations for custom code

Customization Manager has a standards checker to check if the files included in a custom package meet certain Oracle coding standards. This checker tests all code for standards compliance and cannot be turned on or off. Some standards are mandatory and will result in failure when Customization Manager attempts to build the package. Other standards are recommended, and the standards checker will give a warning but the package will be built. For example, Customization Manager mandates that each file included within a customization package has an Oracle-compliant source header present within the file. If a file in a package is missing this header, the package cannot be built. In addition to out-of-box Oracle coding standards, you can define your own standards to validate your custom code.

For more information on the standards checker, see: Customization Manager Coding Standards Validation, page D-1.

### **User-Defined Custom Standards**

You can add user-defined custom standards that meet your organizational IT standards and coding practices. These user-defined standards will be added to the standards checker to validate the files included in a custom package. You can skip this section if you do not wish to define your own development standards for custom code.

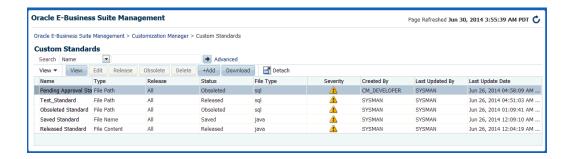
### Types of custom standards

- File naming conventions For example, use the regular expression ^xx to enforce the rule that a filename should start with 'xx'.
- File path conventions For example, use the regular expression ^patch/115/sql\$ to enforce the rule that SQL files should be under the directory \$XXPROD\_TOP/patch/115/sql.
- File content restrictions For example, use the regular expression ^((?!System\.out\.print).) \*\$ to enforce the rule that Java files should not contain System.out.print statements.

## Managing custom standards

Navigate to the Customization Manager home page and click on Custom Standards in the Related Links section. You can perform the following actions here:

- View details of a custom standard
- Add new custom standard
- Edit a custom standard
- Release a custom standard
- Obsolete a custom standard
- Delete a custom standard
- Download custom standards



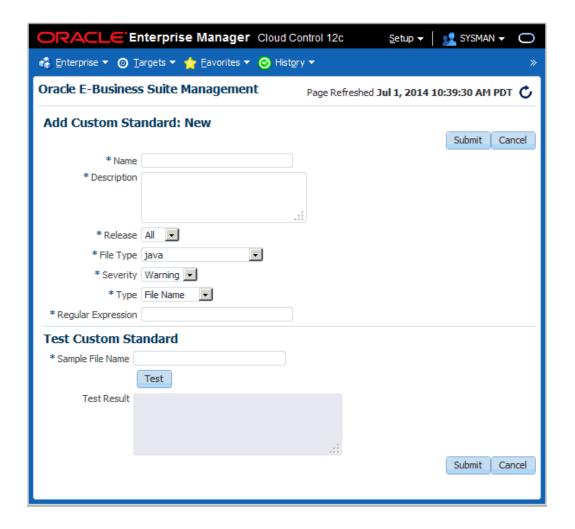
#### View details of a custom standard

You can view the following details of a custom standard:

- Name
- Type of the standard
- Releases of Oracle E-Business Suite for which this standard is applicable
- Status of the standard
  - Released It is already in use
  - Obsolete It is no longer in use
  - Saved It is under development and is not ready for use
- File types for which this standard is applicable
- Severity if this standard is violated
- User who created it
- User who last updated it
- Time stamp when the standard was last updated

### Add a new custom standard

You must have the Create release package request privilege to create a custom standard.



Click on the **+Add** button to create a new custom standard. Enter the following details:

- Name of the standard
- Description
- Release
  - All For all supported releases
  - 11i For Release 11i
  - R12 For Release 12.0 and above
- File Type
- Severity
  - Error

- Warning
- Standard Type
  - File Path
  - File Name
  - File Content
- Regular Expression to be used to validate the standard

Optionally you can test your standard. Provide the input based on the standard type and click Test.

### Edit a custom standard

You can edit only the standards that you created. Released and obsolete standards cannot be edited. You can edit the following for a standard: Description, Release, File Type, Severity and Regular Expression. The Standard Name and Standard Type cannot be changed.

#### Delete a custom standard

You can delete a standard that is in the Saved status.

#### Release a custom standard

You must release a standard before it can be used in creating custom patches. After a standard is saved, a user can raise a request to release the standard. Only a user with the Approve release package request privilege can approve/reject the request. If the request is approved, then the standard will go to the Released state. Otherwise, it will go back to the Saved state. Meanwhile, the standard will be in the Pending Approval state. Once released, the standard cannot be edited or deleted.

### Obsolete a custom standard

Released standards can be made obsolete. Once a standard is obsolete, it cannot be edited or deleted. A user can raise a request to obsolete the standard. Only a user with the **Approve release package request privilege** can approve/reject the request. If the request is approved, then the standard will go to the Obsolete state. Otherwise, it will go back to the Released state. Meanwhile, the standard will be in the Pending Approval state.

### **Download custom standards**

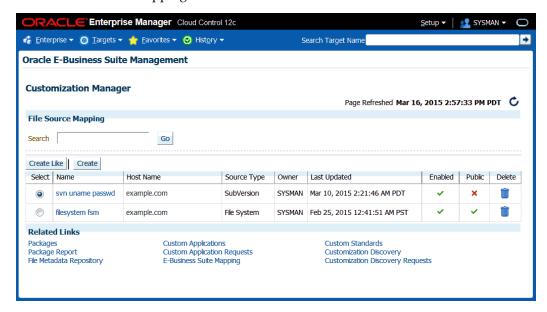
You can download the details of released custom standards in HTML format and share it. The details include Standard Name, Standard Type, Description, Release, File Type, and Severity.

# **Creating Custom Packages**

# Registering the Source Control

To create a custom package you must first register your source control with Customization Manager. This registration is called File Source Mapping. This is a one-time activity. You can create more than one file source mapping if needed.

To create the File Source Mapping, go to the home page of Customization Manager and click on File Source Mapping in the Related Links section.



Here you can see a list of file source mappings already created.

### View the details of a file source mapping

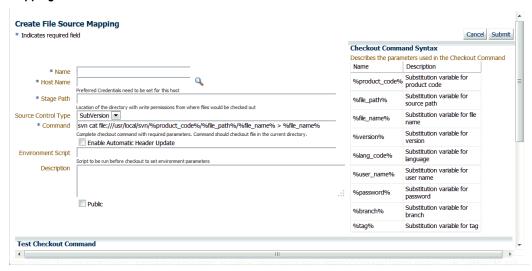
You can view the following details of a file source mapping:

- Name of the source control.
- Host from which the source control is accessible. The Oracle E-Business Suite plug-in must be deployed on this host.
- Source Type The type of the source control system. Valid values are: SubVersion, CVS, File System, or Others.
- Owner The user who created this file source mapping.
- Last Updated The date and time the mapping was last updated.
- Enabled Specifies if the mapping is enabled or disabled. You can enable/disable a

mapping from the Update File Source Mapping page.

Public - Whether the given mapping is public. If a mapping is public, all users can view it, but only the owner and Super Administrators can edit it.

# Create a file source mapping



Click on the **Create** button and enter the details listed in the following table:

Name	Description
Name	Name of the file source mapping.
Host Name	Host where the source control is installed. Preferred Credentials need to be set for this host.
Stage Path	A folder on the given host with read/write access which is used for temporary processing during checkout.

Name	Description
Source control type	Possible values are:  • SubVersion
	• CVS
	• File System
	• Others
	The source control type is used to default the checkout command. However, the checkout command can be modified based on your source control or file system configuration. If your source control system is not among CVS, SubVersion or File System, then you may choose "Others" and enter your checkout command.
Command	Enter the complete command, with required parameters, to be used to check out files. The parameters that can be used to construct the checkout command are mentioned under the "Checkout Command Syntax" box.
	This provides an open interface with which a user can integrate any third-party source control system with Customization Manager within Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite. However the user should be able to check out files from the command line on any supported platforms to use this open interface.
Environment Script (Optional)	The environment script to be run before files are checked out. This is used to set any environment parameters for preprocessing, if required.
Description	A brief description of the source control.
Public	Mark the file source mapping as Public if desired. If a file source mapping is marked as Public, any user can view it and use it to create a package. However, only the owner and Super Administrators can edit the file source mapping.
Enable Automatic Header Update	Explained later in the section Automatic Header Update and Insertion, page 16-26.

# Test the file source mapping

Oracle strongly recommends that you to test the checkout command by using the "Test Checkout Command" option. It is also important to ascertain that the user provided within the "host" credentials has the correct permissions on the given host selected for checkout.

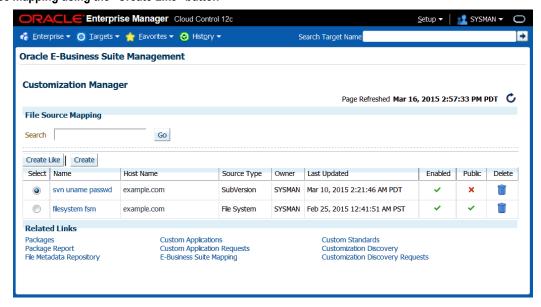


In the Test Checkout Command section Enter the following details:

- Product
- Source Path
- File Name
- Version
- Language
- Branch If your source control system requires it and if a %branch% token is included within the checkout command.
- Tag If your source control system requires it and if a %tag% token is included within the checkout command.
- User Name If your source control system requires it and if a %user\_name% token is included within the checkout command.
- Password If your source control system requires it and if a %password% token is included within the checkout command.

Use the Preview or Test button to preview or test the checkout command and version command. The results will be shown in the Command Preview or Test Results field.

### Create a file source mapping using the "Create Like" button



Select the Create Like button on the File Source Mapping page to create a file source mapping by copying the details from an existing file source mapping. This procedure is used typically to create a mirror copy of the first file source mapping, or to create another file source mapping with minor modifications without having to enter all the relevant details about the file source mapping.

### Update a file source mapping

You can update a file source mapping by clicking on its name listed in the main File Source Mapping page. You can only update the fields described below. It is not possible to update the host for a given file source mapping.

- Source control type
- Command
- Stage Path
- **Environment Script**
- Description
- Public (or not)

You can test the changes by following the steps mentioned in the previous section Test the file source mapping, page 16-22.

# Disable or Enable a file source mapping

You can check or uncheck the Enabled box to enable or disable a file source mapping.

# Delete a file source mapping

Use the icon provided to delete a mapping in the view list page. You can delete a mapping only when no package is associated with it.

# Example of a file source mapping with parameters

The following table provides information on the file source mapping parameters and sample values for each parameter.

Name	Description	Related User Interface Page	Sample Value
%product_c ode%	Substitution variable for the product code	Create/Update Package - File Listing	xxco
%file_path %	Substitution variable for source path	Create/Update Package - File Listing	patch/115/import
%file_name %	Substitution variable for file name	Create/Update Package - File Listing	Custom_Responsibilities.
%version%	Substitution variable for version	Create/Update Package - File Listing	115.32
%lang_code %	Substitution variable for language	Create/Update Package - File Listing	US
%branch%	Substitution variable for branch	Create/Update Package - General	Prod13
%tag%	Substitution variable for tag	Create/Update Package - General	Release12c
%user_nam e%	Substitution variable for username	Create/Update Package - General	developer1
%password %	Substitution variable for password	Create/Update Package - General	password

Here is the syntax of a checkout command with the parameters:

```
svn cat.
file:///usr/local/svn/%product code%/%file path%/%lang code%/%file name%
--username %user name% --password %password% > %file name%
```

Here is the above checkout command with values substituted for the parameters:

```
syn cat
file:///usr/local/svn/xxco/patch/115/import/US/Custom Responsibilities.l
dt --username developer1 --password password >
Custom Responsibilities.ldt
```

#### Source Headers Inside Custom Files

Each file included within a customization package should have an Oracle-compliant source header present within the file.

The following is an example of an Oracle-compliant header:

```
$Header: sample.txt 10.1 2012/04/06 09:38 lmathur ship $
```

The header contains the following elements:

- Filename
- Revision ID This needs to be incremented every time a file is checked in
- Date and time of checkin
- Author
- Shipment state ship/noship. For custom files, use the value ship

### **Automatic Header Update and Insertion**

This option can be enabled while defining or updating the file source mapping used for package creation. When the "Automatic header update" option is selected, Customization Manager takes care of querying the source control repository to derive the revision number. It then updates the Oracle-compliant header present within the file with the same during the process of package creation. It is important to ascertain that the correct "Version command" is provided to lookup/query the revision number from the given source control repository, except when using the source control types 'File System' or 'CVS'. This feature is not supported when the source control type is File System. For CVS, there is no need to specify the version command because the header is always retrieved from the \$Header string present within the file.

> When using the automatic header update feature with CVS, you must have a \$Header placeholder within each source file. The placeholder header must be embedded in the source file before the file is checked in into CVS. Also ensure that you change the file name with the correct case within the \$Header before embedding the header in the file.

When using Subversion, you must use Subversion client version 1.2 or above for automatic header update.

Automatic header update is supported for all file types. For binary files like forms, reports, and so on, you must provide a dummy placeholder for the header with enough appropriate offset (space). It is recommended to leave at least 40% extra offset (space) to accommodate incrementing revision numbers. During the process of package creation, the system uses this as a placeholder and updates it with the correct header. Again, the automatic header update option should be enabled and the correct version command should be specified within the file source mapping. The header is calculated based on the release and the version in the source control. For example, if you are building a package for Release 12 and the version of the file in the subversion repository is 29, then the header version calculated would be 120.29.

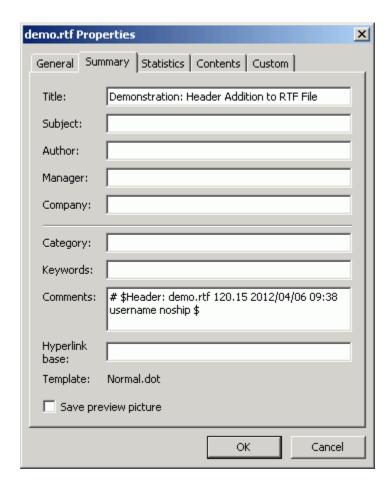
Automatic header insertion is supported only for selected file types. In this case, Customization Manager inserts a valid Oracle-compliant header into the source file during the process of package creation, even when there is no \$Header present in the file. Automatic header insertion is supported for the following file types in case the file does not contain a proper \$Header:

- .css
- .drvx
- .htm
- .html
- .ildt
- .java
- .jlt
- .jsp
- .ldt
- .msg
- .odf
- .pdt
- .pkb
- .pkh

- .pks
- .pl
- .plb
- .pls
- .sh
- .slt
- .sql
- .tpl
- .wft
- .wfx
- .xdf

# Adding a Header to Custom RTF Files

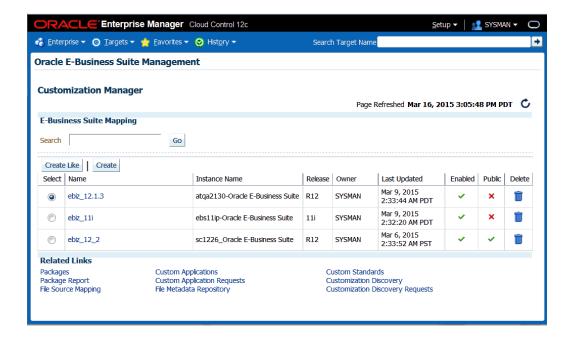
You can add a header to a custom RTF file by adding it to the file's "Comments" property. For example, in Microsoft Word, navigate to the File menu, select Properties, and enter the header in the Comments field as shown in the figure below.



# **E-Business Suite Mapping**

When creating custom patches, you will need an E-Business Suite instance to compile Java or PLD files. The E-Business Suite Mapping indicates the Oracle E-Business Suite instance which would be used for this compilation. This mapping is not necessary if the custom patches do not contain Java or PLD files. However, an E-Business Suite Mapping is needed if you want to generate BI Publisher reports.

Go to the home page of Customization Manager and click on E-Business Suite Mapping in the Related Links section. Here you can see the list of E-Business Suite Mappings already created.

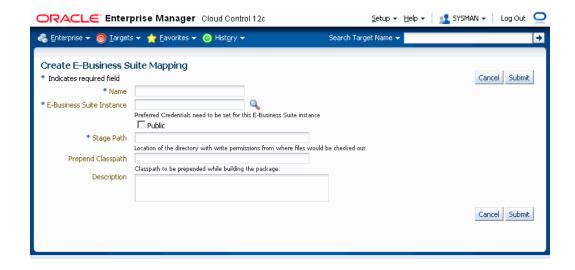


You can perform the following actions here:

- Create a new E-Business Suite Mapping
- Create an E-Business Suite Mapping using "Create Like"
- Update an E-Business Suite Mapping

# **Create an E-Business Suite Mapping**

Click on the Create button.



Enter the details listed in the following table:

Name	Description
Name	Enter a name for the mapping.
E-Business Suite	Select an E-Business Suite instance from the LOV.
Public	If an E-Business Suite Mapping is marked as Public, any user can view it and use it to create a package, but only the owner and Super Administrators can edit it. This feature is typically useful when you would want the system administrator to create one mapping and enable all developers to use them, without having them know the details of the source control or Oracle E-Business Suite system.
Stage path	The stage path is the location of the directory with write permissions used for temporary processing during compilation and build process.
Prepend Classpath	This field is valid only with Java files. This classpath is prepended to these files when a package is built. This can be used to specify any third party libraries if you custom java files have dependencies on them.
Description	Enter a description.

# Create an E-Business Suite Mapping using "Create Like"

Select the Create Like button to create an E-Business Suite Mapping by copying the

details from an existing E-Business Suite Mapping. This procedure can be used typically to create a mirror copy of the E-Business Suite mapping or create another E-Business Suite Mapping with minor modifications without having to enter all the relevant details about the E-Business Suite Mapping.

### **Update an E-Business Suite Mapping**

Click on the name of the E-Business Suite mapping. It will open up the details page where you can edit it. You can make the following updates:

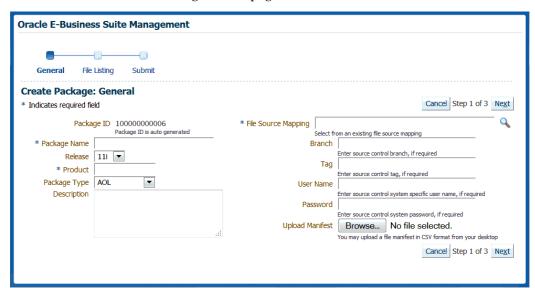
- Enable or disable the mapping
- Check or uncheck the public check box
- Change the stage path, prepend classpath, and description

# **Packaging the Custom Code**

### Create a package

Once you have registered the source control and checked in your custom code, you can create the custom packages to be deployed in the Oracle E-Business Suite instance.

Go to the Customization Manager home page and click on **Create**.



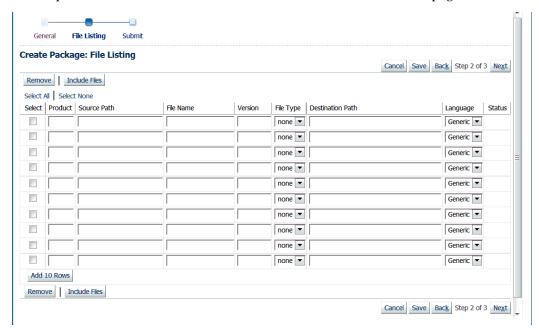
Enter values for the fields listed in the following table:

Name	Description
Package ID	An auto-generated unique number.

Name	Description
Package Name	Enter a user-friendly name for the package.
Release	Select 11i for Release 11i (or) R12 for Release 12.0, Release 12.1, and Release 12.2.
Product	Enter the owning product application. This can be a seeded Oracle product or a custom product registered in Oracle E-Business Suite.
Package Type	Enter the package type. This value is for your own classification and convenience for searching and cataloging. No validation is performed on this field.
Description	Enter a description for your reference. This description becomes part of the package readme.
File Source Mapping	Select the File Source Mapping for this package from the list of previously-defined mappings.
Branch	Enter the branch for the source control system, if required. The branch will be substituted for the %branch% token within your checkout command.
Tag	Enter the tag for the source control system, if required. The tag will be substituted for the %tag% token within your checkout command.
User Name	Enter the user name to connect to the source control system, if required. The User Name will be substituted in the "%user_name%" parameter of the checkout command.
Password	Enter the password to connect to the source control system, if required. The password entered here would be substituted for the %password% token within your checkout command.

Name	Description
Upload Manifest	If you have a file manifest in a comma-separated value (CSV) format on your computer, you can upload it here. Refer to the section: Sample Manifest, page 16-37.

Click Next to provide the list of files to be included in the package. You may add or remove file entries manually from the File Listing page. Alternatively, you may also include file entries from the File Metadata Repository using the Include Files button. Each file included in a customization package should have an Oracle-compliant source header present within the file. See: Source Header inside Custom Files, page 16-26.



For each file, enter the details listed in the following table:

Name	Description
Product	The owning product application. This can be a seeded Oracle product or a custom product registered in Oracle E-Business Suite (not in Customization Manager). This would be substituted in the "%product_code%" parameter in the checkout command.
Source Path	The source directory for the file on the source control system. This would be substituted in the "%file_path%" parameter in the checkout command.

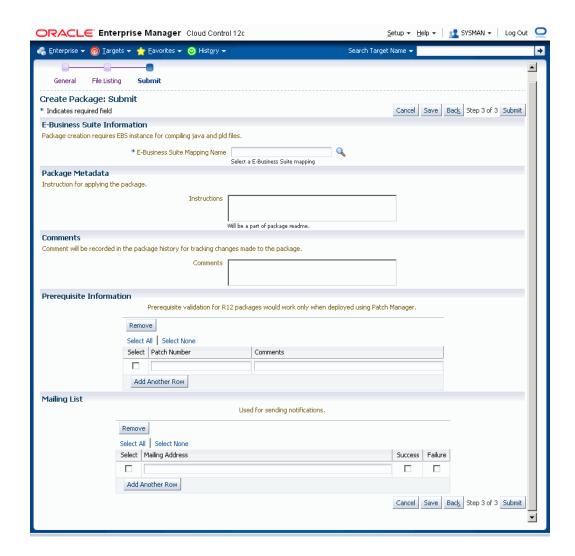
Name	Description
File Name	The name of the file. This would be substituted in the "%file_name%" parameter in the checkout command.
Version (Optional)	The version of the file. The version is only needed if the checkout command will use the version information. This would be substituted to the "%version%" parameter in the checkout command.
File Type	The type of the file. Ensure that correct type is selected for the file entry. The Oracle Applications DBA (AD) patch driver instructions are based on the type selected. For details, please refer to the appendix Supported File Types in Customization Manager, page C-1.
Destination Path	The destination path for the file in the Oracle E-Business Suite instance excluding the language subdirectory and relative path from the product top.
	For common file types, a default destination path is provided automatically but this default value can be overridden.
	The destination path must be an AD-compliant destination path according to Oracle E-Business Suite standards.
	The destination path in the patch driver is automatically suffixed with the language code chosen with exception to "Generic".
	Note: For "Generic" files, ensure that the destination path is entered correctly: For example,
	Product: XXCO Source Path: forms/US File Name: IDC.fmb Destination Path: forms Language: US
	The final destination path is "forms/US" but the values are entered separately.
Language (Optional)	The language code for the file. Select the language code as needed to generate the respective NLS patch.

Name	Description
Status	The status can be one of the following:
	• Valid - Indicates that the entry is valid.
	• Review - Indicates that the entry needs to be reviewed.
	• Duplicate - Indicates that the entry is duplicated.
	• Blank - Indicates that one of the required fields is blank.

Click Next. Enter additional information for your package, as described in the following table:

Name	Description
E-Business Suite information (Conditionally required)	The E-Business Suite mapping information is required only when the package contains at least one Java or PLD file. You can select the Oracle E-Business Suite Mapping from the list of previously-defined mappings. See: E-Business Suite Mapping, page 16-29.
Package Metadata	Enter the instructions for package application here. These instructions will become part of the package readme.
Comments	These comments will be recorded as part of the package history for tracking changes made to the package.
Prerequisite Information	For Release 11i packages, you can enter one or more prerequisite patch numbers that can be used for deployment validation with AD utilities and Patch Manager.
	For Release 12 (and higher) packages, enter in the prerequisite patch numbers that will be used in validation only when the package is deployed through Patch Manager.
	Note that this validation is done only if you use the <b>Check Prerequisites</b> button in the Patch Details page when creating a patch run in Patch Manager.

# Name Description Mailing List You can enter e-mail addresses for people who should be sent notifications about the package's creation status on the event of success or failure. It is recommended to have e-mail notifications set so that the appropriate users can be notified about the package success or failure.



Click **Submit** to complete the package creation.

#### Sample Manifest

```
#Product, SourcePath, FileName, Version, Type, DestPath, LangCode
xxco,java\r12\reporter\cpserver,XXCOCustomCp.java,115.1,java,java
/r12/reporter/cpserver, Generic
\verb|xxco,patch|| 115 \le \texttt{import}, \verb|XXCOC|| oncprog.|| 1dt, 115.9, \verb|software|| 
ldt,patch/115/import,US
xxco,patch\115\import,XXCOMenu.ldt,,software
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ldt,patch/115/import,US
xxco, forms, XXCOFRM. fmb, , fmb, forms, US
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### **Automatic File Driver File Generation and Update**

A file driver file is a master file for adpatch to identify valid Oracle E-Business Suite files for a given product (including a custom product). It is required to have an entry within the file driver file for selected file types like forms, reports, and so on. If not, then the following error is thrown during patching: "File in patch is not a known Oracle Applications file". Customization Manager takes care of this file driver file requirement automatically. Customization Manager implicitly generates a file driver file for the relevant files in a package. During deployment with Patch Manager, these entries are automatically added to the custom product master file driver file. In case a user applies a patch manually with adpatch, he or she can run updateFileDriver.pl within the <package>/meta-inf folder before invoking adpatch.

Note that if you get the error "File in patch is not a known Oracle Applications file" while applying a custom patch built with Customization Manager, then it could be due to a missing entry in file driver file for the custom product for one or more custom files.

The file driver file for a custom product is located under:

```
$<custom product top>/admin/driver/<custom product short name>file.drv
```

For example, if XXCO is the custom product, then you can find the file driver file under \$XXCO TOP/admin/driver/xxcofile.drv

All custom files would require an entry in the respective file driver file depending on the custom product to which they belong, EXCEPT files which have destination path beginning with any of the following:

- admin
- sql
- mds
- lib
- patch
- help

#### def

as well as any java file under destination path beginning with "java".

The usual format for an entry into the file driver file is:

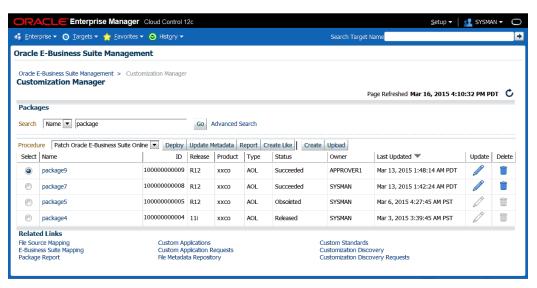
### Sample entries are as below:

```
xxco admin/sql XXCONLADD.sql
xxco forms/<LANG> XXCOFORM.fmb
```

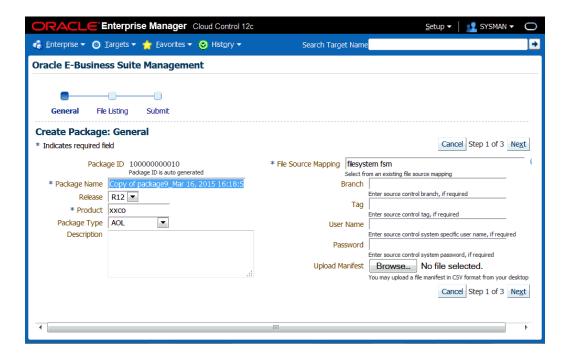
# Create a package using the Create Like option

Customization Manager allows you to create a package by copying the details from an existing package.

From the Customization Manager home page, select the package to copy and click Create Like.

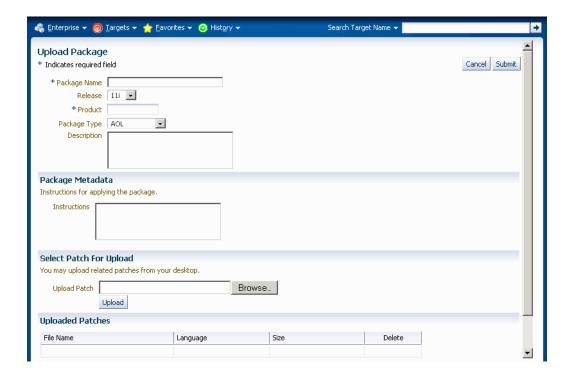


This procedure is used typically to create a mirror copy of the package or create another package with minor modifications without having to enter all the relevant details about the package.



# Create a package using the Upload option

If, before using Customization Manager, you created a custom patch which is on a desktop or any other location, or even another EM instance, you can use the Upload option to upload that custom patch. In case you have multiple Enterprise Manager instances, you can download the custom patch from one EM instance and upload it to another EM instance. To download the custom patch from an EM instance, navigate to the View Packages UI of Customization Manager and download the patch from the Patch Downloads section. You can stage these downloaded patches in a temporary location and upload them to another EM instance.



While uploading a custom patch, the following information is required:

- Package Name
- Release to which the custom patch belongs
- Custom product/application associated with the custom patch
- Package type: only for classification purposes
- Description for your reference
- Any specific instructions for applying the custom patch

You can upload one or more custom patches (NLS patches) to this customization package. However, it is important that all of them must be associated with the same unique patch number. Clicking the Submit button creates a customization package with the status "Succeeded". This customization package can now be deployed just like any other customization package and can be "Released" or "Obsoleted", when required.

**Note:** Reporting and update capabilities are not available for the uploaded packages.

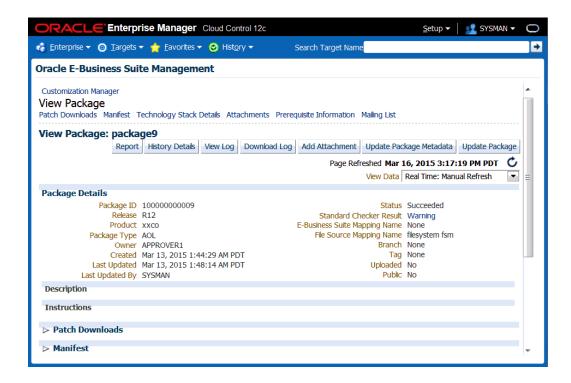
### Search for packages

You can perform an Advanced Search for packages with the following criteria:

- Name
- ID
- Product
- **Instruction Contains**
- Prerequisite Patch
- **Description Contains**
- Owner
- Release
- Package Type
- Standards Check Results
- Status
- Language
- Public (Choose whether you want results with only Public packages, no Public packages, or either)
- Contains File
- Contains File with Version (Used in conjunction with "Contains File")
- Updated within (Days)
- File Source Mapping Name
- Branch
- Tag
- E-Business Suite Mapping Name
- Last Updated By

# View a package

View package details by selecting its name in the search results table on the main Customization Manager page.



### **Package Details**

The Package Details region includes the following:

- Package ID
- Release
- Product
- Package Type
- Owner
- Created The date and time the package was created.
- Last Updated The date and time the package was last updated.
- Last Updated By The user who last updated the package.
- Status The status of the package. Possible values are: In Progress, Succeeded, Saved, Failed, Released, and Obsoleted.
- Standard Checker Result If applicable. Click on the link for detailed results.
- E-Business Suite Mapping Name If applicable.
- File Source Mapping Name

- Branch
- Tag
- Uploaded Whether this package was created as a result of a patch upload.
- Public Whether this package is shared across all users.

### Description

Any description entered for the package is shown here.

### Instructions

Instructions entered in the Package Metadata field are shown here.

#### **Patch Downloads**

For each patch generated, the following information is shown here:

- File Name Click on the patch file name link to download the patch.
- Language The language of the patch.
- Size The size of the patch.
- Readme Click on the icon to download the readme. The readme file is in HTML format and includes the package description and package metadata.

Typically, each customization package could be associated with one or more language patches.

### Manifest

The file manifest is shown here. Details for each file include Product, Source Path, File Name, Destination Path, Version, File Type, Language, and Last Updated timestamp.

Use the **Download Manifest** button to download the manifest as a comma-separated values (CSV) file, viewable in Microsoft Excel.

You can search for a specific file by entering in the file name in the "Locate File" field and clicking Go. Wildcard characters "%" and "\*" are supported here.

# **Technology Stack Details**

The Technology Stack Details for a package provide a snapshot of the technology stack properties for the Oracle E-Business Suite instance where the package was compiled. You can first check Technology Stack compatibility yourself by running "Instance Comparison" reports.

#### **Attachments**

You may add or remove any associated documentation like project plan, design documents, and so on. For each attachment, the following is listed:

- File Name
- Description

### Last Updated timestamp

You can remove an attachment from the package using the Delete icon. If the package is Released or Obsoleted, then the attachments cannot be deleted.

#### **Prerequisite Information**

Any prerequisite patches are listed here along with any comments.

### **Mailing List**

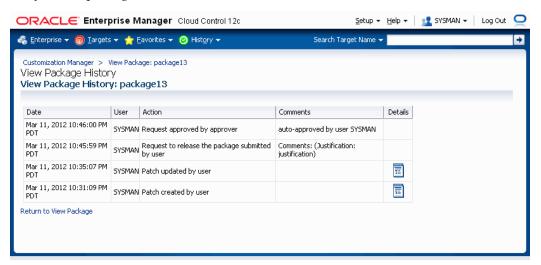
View the e-mail addresses for people who should be sent notifications about the package, on the event of success or failure.

### Report

Use the **Report** button to create a report on the package. See: Reporting, page 16-51.

# **History Details (View Package History)**

The package history provides a chronological view of all the important events in the lifecycle of a package.



From the View Package Details page, click on the History Details button to go to the View Package History page. This page provides high-level history tracking of the package, including the timestamp and user-entered comments for the following events:

- Creation of package
- Update of package
- Release of package

You can also drill down to the Oracle Enterprise job details for the package creation and any updates.

### View Log

Use the View Log button to view the most recent Oracle Enterprise Manager job details for the package.

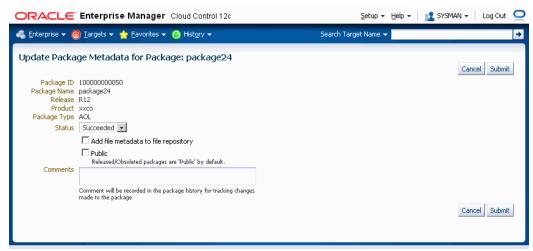
### **Download Log**

Use the **Download Log** button to download the consolidated log for the package creation. For Release 12.1.0.3.0 and later, this log is in HTML format. For the packages created with Release 12.1.0.2.0, this log is in .txt format.

## Update a package

To update a package, find the package listing in the main Customization Manager page and select the icon in the Update column. Alternatively, use the Update Package button on the View Package page. For details of each field that can be updated, refer to Create a package, page 16-32.

### Update package metadata



Package metadata can be updated to change the status of the package or to push the file entries metadata in the package to the File Metadata Repository. Using the Update Package Metadata page, you can make the updates described in the following table:

Name	Description
Status	You can release or obsolete a package by changing its status to "Released" or "Obsoleted". Once a package is updated to the "Released" status, it cannot be updated and it becomes accessible to other users. Once a package is moved to the "Obsoleted" status, it is no longer updatable or deployable.
	Note: With the Change Approval Framework, once an approver approves a request from a user to release/obsolete a customization package, the package is released/obsoleted. The user does not need to release/obsolete the package explicitly after the approval.
	<b>Tip:</b> Add comments for future reference when you release or obsolete a package. For example, state the reason why you obsolete a package.
Add file metadata to file repository	Add file metadata entries to the File Metadata Repository.
Public	If you are the owner of the package or a super administrator, you can mark the package as "Public" which enables the package to be shared across all users to view or update.
Comments	Add comments which are recorded in the package history for the above changes.

#### Save the package

If, in the process of creating or updating a package definition, you want to save the package definition before submitting a request to have Enterprise Manager actually build the package, click the Save button on the File Listing page or the Submit page of the Create/Update process. Your package definition will be saved and it will appear on the main Customization Manager page with a status of Saved.

#### Release the package

Use the Update Package Metadata page to release a package. After a package is released, it is implicitly shared with other users to view and deploy. See: Update package metadata, page 16-46.

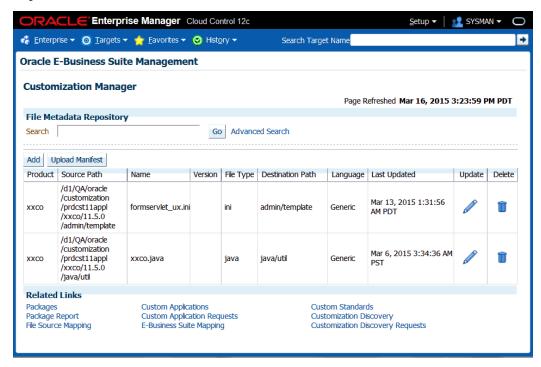
**Note:** With the Change Approval Framework, if an approval hierarchy exists for "release package" and all the approvers at the different levels approve a request to release a customization package, then the package is released. The user does not need to release the package explicitly after the approval. If an

approval hierarchy does not exist, the request will follow a single level of approval mechanism.

Before you deploy a custom package using Patch Manager, it is recommended to run the Instance Comparison Report to compare the technology stack properties of the package with those of the instance to which the package is being deployed. Patch Manager does not stop the deployment of a patch if the technology stack properties are not compatible, so you should make your best judgment based on the Instance Comparison Reports. See: Reporting, page 16-51.

## Maintaining the File Metadata Repository

The File Metadata Repository stores metadata information on each file. It can be used as a cataloging repository for all custom files within your enterprise. The File Metadata Repository is also aware of the objects within the custom files. This capability typically applies to SQL scripts and PL/SQL packages where the objects are tables, indexes, sequences, views, and so on.



The system can parse and discover objects within custom files when added to the File Metadata Repository. This can be initiated from the Update Package Metadata page by clicking the box "Add file metadata to file repository". See also: Update Package Metadata, page 16-46.

Examples of custom objects include:

- **Tables**
- Views
- Mviews and Mview logs
- **Triggers**
- PL/SQL package names
- Indexes

You can view and updates objects populated for a given file. You can also search for files containing specified objects and include them during package creation or update.

Search capabilities are limited to:

- PL/SQL spec and body (all formats)
- SQL files
- Oracle Application Framework XML files
- XDF

## Adding File Details to the File Metadata Repository

The information on a file can be uploaded to the repository in one of three ways:

- By uploading a package's file manifest in CSV format to the repository.
- By adding metadata for an individual file manually to the repository.
- By updating the metadata for a file already in the repository.

You can add metadata to the repository using the "Add file metadata to file repository" option in the Update Package Metadata page. See: Update Package Metadata, page 16-46.

The File Metadata Repository can be accessed from its link under Related Links.

You can search for a file by entering the filename in the Search field on the main File Metadata Repository page. Alternatively, use Advanced Search to search for its file using one or more of the following: Filename, Product, Language, Source Path, Destination Path, Version, File Type, or Object Name.

Also, during the package create/update flow, you can search for files or files referring to objects within the file metadata repository using the Include Files button.

#### Upload a file manifest

- Select the **Upload Manifest** button from the main File Metadata Repository page.
- Select your file manifest file using the **Browse** button for the File Manifest field. 2.
- Optionally add a description.
- Click Submit.

#### Add details for an individual file

- Click on the **Add** button from the main File Metadata Repository page.
- Enter the name of the file.
- Enter the product to which the file belongs.
- Enter its source path.
- Enter the version of the file.
- Select the file type from the list provided.
- Enter the destination path.
- Enter the language for the file.
- Optionally enter a description.
- 10. Click Submit.

## Updating the Metadata for a File Already in the File Metadata Repository

- Select the Update icon for the file in the Search results table in the main File Metadata Repository page.
- 2. Update the file name, file type, version, product, source path, destination path, language, and/or description as desired.
- Click Submit.

You can associate one or more customization objects to a given file in the Related Objects region. For instance, a PLS file might be associated with a PL/SQL procedure name as one of the objects. You might update a given file entry to associate one or more customization objects to it. This capability allows you to catalog and later search for customization objects using the Advanced Search option within the File Metadata

Repository. However, there are currently no validation checks built into the system that use this information during package creation or deployment.

## Reporting

Customization Manager offers powerful reporting capabilities to help you document, compare and track your customizations. You can generate three types of reports on packages:

- A Standard report gives you details on a single package, including technology stack requirements and the file manifest. You might use this to document customizations.
- A Comparison report allows you to compare two packages. For example, you might want to compare their technology stack snapshots or the versions of the files included in the packages.
- An Instance Comparison report allows you to compare the details of the package with that of an actual Oracle E-Business Suite instance. The details which are compared include custom application, file driver file entries, file manifest and versions, and the technology stack snapshot of a package to the technology stack properties of a given instance. By doing this comparison you can determine possible compatibility issues of the package with the instance and assess the possible impact/possible issues before actually applying the patch.

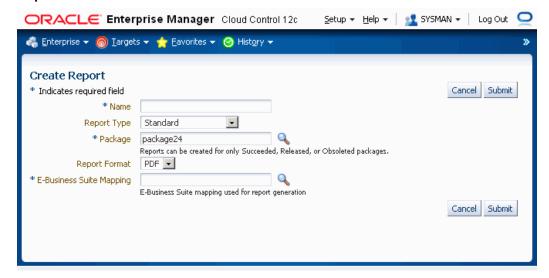
**Important:** Oracle strongly recommends that you generate an Instance Comparison report for each custom package and the instance where it is intended to be deployed to identify any technology stack incompatibilities before actually applying the patch. Reports can be accessed from the Package Report link under Related Links for Customization Manager.

## **Creating a Report**

To create a report, use one of the following navigation paths:

- Select a package from the Package Search results page and click **Report**.
- Click the **Report** button on the View Package page.
- Click the **Create** button on the Package Report page.

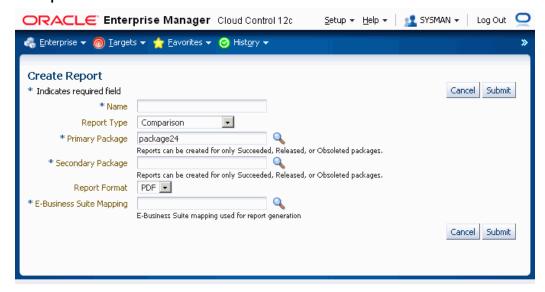
#### Create a standard report



A Standard report gives you details on a single package, including technology stack requirements and the file manifest.

- Enter in a user-friendly name for your report.
- Choose Standard for the Report Type.
- Enter the package you want the report to be based on in the Package field. This package must have the status of Succeeded, Released, or Obsoleted.
- Enter the Report Format. Options are:
  - PDF (Portable Document Format)
  - RTF (Rich Text Format)
  - XLS (Microsoft Excel format)
- Enter the Oracle E-Business Suite Mapping to be used for the report generation.
- Click Submit.

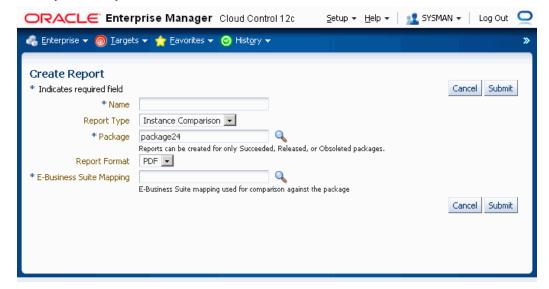
#### Create a comparison report



A Comparison report allows you to compare two packages. For example, you might want to compare technology stack requirements or versions of the files included in the packages.

- Enter in a user-friendly name for your report.
- Choose Comparison for the Report Type.
- Enter the package name in the Primary Package field. This package must have the status of Succeeded, Released, or Obsoleted.
- Enter the package name in the Secondary Package field. This package must have the status of Succeeded, Released, or Obsoleted.
- Enter the Report Format. Options are:
  - PDF (Portable Document Format)
  - RTF (Rich Text Format)
  - XLS (Microsoft Excel format)
- Enter the Oracle E-Business Suite Mapping to be used for the report generation. Please note that this instance would be only used to publish the report using BI Publisher.
- Click Submit.

#### Create an instance comparison report

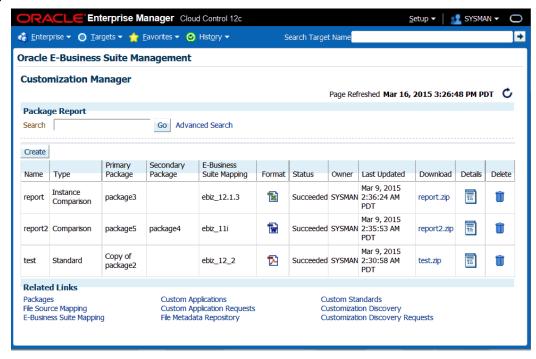


An Instance Comparison report allows you to compare the technology stack properties of a package to the technology stack properties of a given instance. By doing this comparison, you can tell if the package can be properly deployed on the instance. In addition, the report lists any missing entries in the file driver file, and compares files and versions within the package to those of the instance.

- Enter in a user-friendly name for your report. 1.
- 2. Choose Instance Comparison for the Report Type.
- Enter the package you want the report to be based on in the Package field. This package must have the status of Succeeded, Released, or Obsoleted.
- Enter the Report Format. Options are:
  - PDF (Portable Document Format)
  - RTF (Rich Text Format)
  - XLS (Microsoft Excel format)
- Enter the Oracle E-Business Suite Mapping to be used for the report comparison. The Oracle E-Business Suite instance referred by this mapping would be the one which would be compared against the package. As a best practice, it is recommended to generate an instance comparison report for every instance where you intend to deploy the package, to identify any possible incompatibilities/issues before actually applying the package.

#### Click Submit.

## Viewing a Report



To access reports, navigate to the Customization Manager home page > Package Report (under Related Links).

In the Package Report search results table, the following is shown for each report:

- Name The name of the report.
- Type The type of the report; either Standard, Comparison, or Instance Comparison.
- Primary Package The primary package on which the report is based.
- Secondary Package (if any) For Comparison reports, the second package used in the comparison.
- E-Business Suite Mapping The E-Business Suite Mapping used in the report generation or comparison.
- Format The format of the report; either PDF, RTF, or XLS.
- Status The status of the report.
- Owner The user who created the report.

- Last Updated The Last Updated timestamp for the report.
- Download Click on the link provided to download a ZIP file containing the report.
- Details Click on the Details icon to view details on the report submission job. This link takes you to the Oracle Enterprise Manager Deployments Status page for the report submission.
- Delete Click on the Delete icon for the report to delete it.

#### Standard report output file

The Standard Report output file has three sections:

- Package Details Information pertaining to the package's definition.
- Technology Stack Information Properties and values of the technology stack of the instance mapped through the Oracle E-Business Suite Mapping for the package.
- File Manifest The listing of the files in the package. For each file, the following information is included: product, source path, name, version, language, and type.

#### Comparison report output file

The Comparison Report output file has three sections:

- Package Details Information pertaining to the packages' definitions.
- Technology Stack Information This section shows a comparison of the values of the two packages' technology stack details.
- File Manifest This section shows a comparison of the versions of each given file in the two packages.

#### Instance comparison report output file

The Instance Comparison Report output file has six sections:

- Package Details Information pertaining to the package's definition.
- Oracle E-Business Suite Instance Information Basic information for the instance used in the report comparison. Information includes name, patch level for Applications DBA (AD), patch level for Oracle Application Object Library (FND), and the database release information.
- Missing custom products/applications.
- Missing entries in file driver file.

- File comparison to report missing files or version differences.
- Technology Stack Details For each given property, this table lists the value for the package and the value for the Oracle E-Business Suite instance, and how they compare to each other.

## Searching for a Report

You can search for a report by its name on the main Package Report page, or use the Advanced Search link to search based on additional criteria, including:

- E-Business Suite Mapping The E-Business Suite mapping used for the report generation or comparison.
- Primary Package The primary package for the report.
- Secondary Package The secondary package, if any. The secondary package would be used in Comparison Reports.
- Type The type of report; either Standard, Comparison, or Instance Comparison.
- Report Format The format chosen for the report; either PDF, RTF, or XLS.

## **Customization Discovery**

This feature is used to report the inventory of customizations present on a given Oracle E-Business Suite instance. Customization Discovery allows you to view inventory of customizations you have in a specific Oracle E-Business Suite environment. You can view the report by product, or all customizations; and you can export the report to a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet.

Customization Discovery currently allows you discover following customizations:

- Discover customizations under \$APPL\_TOP.
- Discover customizations under \$JAVA\_TOP.
- Discover customized Oracle Application Object Library (FND) data for the below 18 entities:
  - Alerts
  - Concurrent Executables
  - Concurrent Programs
  - Descriptive Flexfields

- Flexfield Value Sets
- **Forms**
- 7. **Functions**
- Grants
- Menus
- 10. Messages
- 11. Print Styles
- **12.** Printer Drivers
- 13. Printers
- 14. Profiles
- 15. Request Groups
- **16.** Request Sets
- 17. Responsibilities
- 18. Users
- Create and manage the File System Exclusion Rule List.
- Discover customizations under \$OA\_HTML. (In this release you can view these customizations only in the CSV report.)
- Discover database custom schemas. (In this release you can view these customizations only as part of the CSV report.)

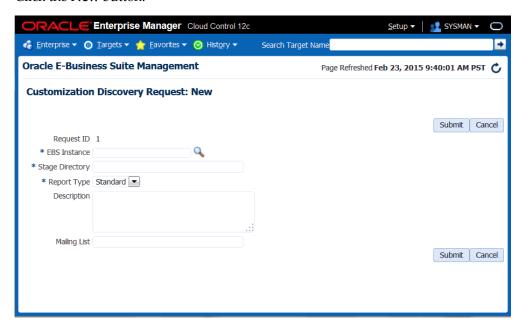
You can manage your customization discovery requests from the Customization Discovery page available under Related Links for Customization Manager. From the new Customization Discovery dashboard, you should be able to perform the operations described below.

## **Submitting a Customization Discovery Request**

Use the following steps to submit customization discovery request.

1. Navigate to Customization Discovery Request page. You can use one of the following navigation paths:

- Select the Customization Discovery Requests link under Related Links on the Customization Manager home page.
- Go to the Customization Discovery dashboard and select Customization Discovery Requests from the menu.
- Click the **New** button.

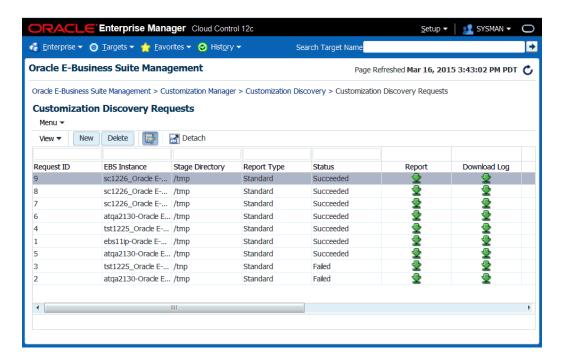


- Select an Oracle E-Business Suite instance using the LOV. You should have the Raise Customization Discovery Request privilege to raise a customization discovery request on the selected Oracle E-Business Suite instance.
- Enter a valid stage directory on the given Oracle E-Business Suite instance.
- Select a Report Type.
  - Standard: With this option, the downloadable compressed output file will contain only the CSV report files.
  - Debug: With this option, the downloadable compressed output file will contain the final CSV report files and as well as all the intermediate temporary files to debug any issues.
- Enter a description.
- 7. Enter a mailing list separated by commas; this is used to send notifications on the request completion.

## **Tracking Request Status**

You can monitor only the requests submitted by you. The request will be in one of the following states:

- Saved
- In Progress
- Succeeded
- Failed



## **Deleting a Request**

You can delete only the requests that are in a Succeeded or Failed state. The Delete action will purge all the reports associated with that request.

## Viewing a Request Log

Once the request is in the In Progress state, a user can monitor the request progress through the EM Procedure Activity UI.

## **Downloading a Request Log**

For Succeeded and Failed requests, you can download a consolidated log in HTML

format.

## **Viewing Customization Details Offline**

On successful completion of the request, you can download the report's compressed file to view the customization details offline in CSV format. A summary section and details about the discovered customization for each customization type are generated. For a failed request, you can download the compressed file to analyze the issue with the intermediate debug log files.

#### File System (ApplTop and JavaTop) Customization

The details listed below are included in the report:

- Node/Hostname
- Product
- Sub Directory
- File Name
- File Size
- File Last Modified Date

The Summary Report contains:

- Total number of custom files per product
- Total number of custom files per filetype

#### **Configuration Customization**

The details included are based on the entity.

#### **Common For All Entities**

- Last Update Date
- Owner

#### **FND Entities**

- Alerts
  - Alert Name
  - **Application Short Name**
  - Description

#### 2. Concurrent Executables

- **Application Short Name**
- Description
- Executable Name
- User Executable Name

#### 3. Concurrent Programs

- **Application Short Name**
- Description
- User Concurrent Program Name

#### Descriptive Flexfields

- Application Short Name
- Description
- Descriptive Flexfield Name

#### 5. Flexfield Value Sets

- Description
- Flexfield Value Set Name

#### **6.** Forms

- Application Short Name
- Description
- User Form Name

#### 7. Functions

- Context Dependence
- Description
- Form References Form

- **Function Name**
- User Function Name

#### 8. Grants

- Ctx Resp App Short Name
- Description
- Grant Menu Name
- Name

#### 9. Menus

- Description
- User Menu Name

#### 10. Messages

- Application Short Name
- Message Name
- Message Text

#### 11. Print Styles

- Description
- User Printer Style Name

#### 12. Printer Drivers

- Description
- Printer Driver Name

#### **13**. Printers

- Description
- FP Type
- Printer Name

#### 14. Profiles

- Application Short Name
- Description
- User Profile Option Name

#### **15.** Request Groups

- **Application Short Name**
- Description
- Request Group Name

#### **16.** Request Sets

- Concurrent Programming Name
- Description
- User Request Set Name

#### 17. Responsibilities

- **Application Short Name**
- Description
- Responsibility Name

#### 18. Users

- Description
- User Name

The Summary Report contains:

- Total number of customized data rows/entries per product
- Total number of customized data rows/entries per entity

#### File System (OA\_HTML) Customization

The inventory of the custom files under \$OA\_HTML are included only as a part of offline CSV reports. For each file, the below details are included in the report:

- Node/Hostname
- Product
- Sub Directory
- File Name
- File Size
- File Last Modified Date

#### **Database Custom Schema**

The following five CSV files are included as offline reports in this release. Only records in which application id>=20000 are considered.

#### **Database Custom Schemas**

- Application ID
- Application Short Name
- Oracle ID
- Oracle Username

#### 2. Database Table FND Application

- Application ID
- Application Short Name
- Basepath
- **Product Code**
- Created By ID
- Created By Name
- Creation Date
- Last Updated By ID
- Last Updated By Name
- Last Update Date

#### **Database Table FND Product Installations**

- Application ID
- Oracle ID
- **Product Version**
- Status
- Industry
- Tablespace
- Index Tablespace
- Temporary Tablespace
- Sizing Factor
- Install Group Num
- DB Status
- Patch Level
- Created By ID
- Created By Name
- Creation Date
- Last Updated By ID
- Last Updated By Name
- Last Update Date

#### Database Table FND Oracle User ID

- Oracle ID
- Oracle Username
- Description
- **Enabled Flag**
- Read Only Flag

- Install Group Num
- Created By ID
- Created By Name
- Creation Date
- Last Updated By ID
- Last Updated By Name
- Last Update Date

#### **Database Table FND OAM Context Custom**

- OA Var
- Ctx Type
- OA Type
- Name
- Default Value
- Title
- Description

## **Viewing Customization Details Online**

In the Customization Discovery dashboard, you can view the list of Oracle E-Business Suite instances on which the customization discovery request was completed successfully. Also, you can view the last successful discovered customization details online for each Oracle E-Business Suite instance. The summary is shown in the graphical format and the details are shown in the tabular format. You can filter the details based on the fields like customization type, node, product, file type, and entity type. Optionally, you can choose to view only the Top-5 or Top-10 customizations for each customization type.



## File System (Appl Top) Customization

- Select the Oracle E-Business Suite instance in Discovered Customizations table.
- Select Customization Type as "File System (Appl Top)".



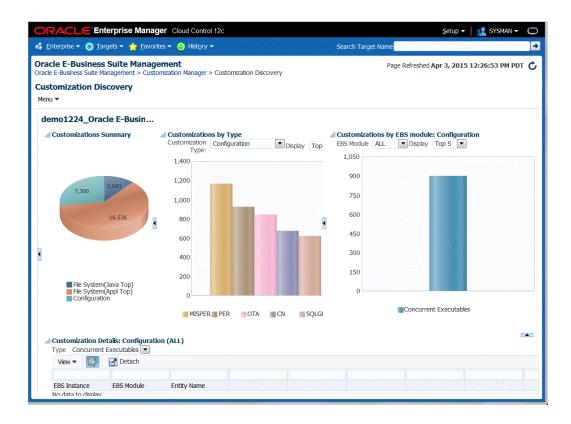
### File System (Java Top) Customization

- Select the Oracle E-Business Suite instance in Discovered Customizations table.
- Select Customization Type as "File System (Java Top)".



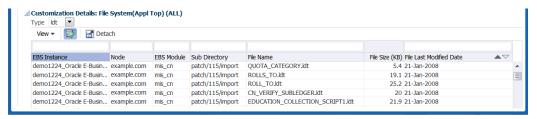
#### **Configuration Customization**

- Select the Oracle E-Business Suite instance in Discovered Customizations table.
- Select Customization Type as "Configuration".



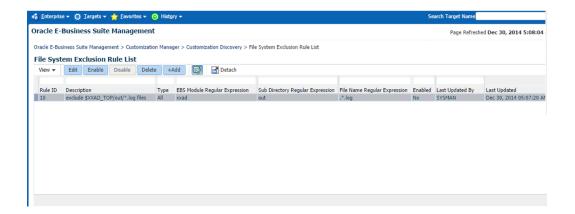
#### **Search and Filter Customization**

You can filter the details based on fields such as customization type, node, product, file type, and entity type.



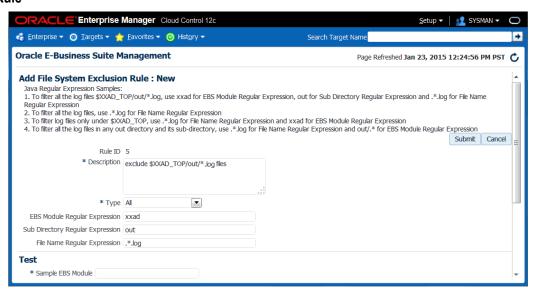
## Managing the File System Exclusion Rule List

You can define your own rules to ignore the specific set of files or directories or Oracle E-Business Suite module in customization discovery. This is a user-specific feature where the rules are visible only to their owner and applicable only for the customization discovery request submitted by their owner. Only enabled rules will be applied during customization discovery.



- You can edit, delete, enable, or disable a rule at any time.
- All the user-specific rules that are in the Enabled state at the time of request submission will be applied for that customization discovery request.

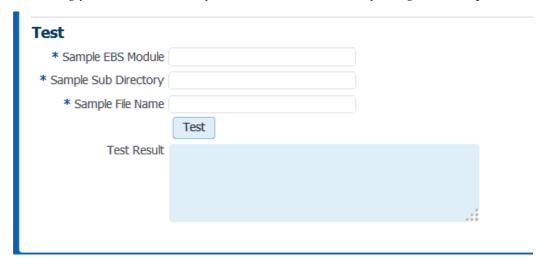
#### **Add Exclusion Rule**



- Enter a description.
- Select Rule Type:
  - File System (JavaTop) Rule applied only for the custom files under \$JAVA\_TOP
  - File System (ApplTop) Rule applied only for the custom files under \$APPL\_TOP

- All Rule applied for the custom files under \$APPL\_TOP, \$JAVA\_TOP and \$OA\_HTML
- Enter EBS Module Regular Expression.
- Enter Sub Directory Regular Expression.
- Enter File Name Regular Expression.

It is strongly recommended that you test the exclusion rule by using the **Test** option.



# **Target Types**

This appendix covers the following topics:

Target Types

## **Target Types**

The following table lists details of the individual target types shipped in the management pack.

#### **Target Types**

Target Type	Applicable Oracle E-Business Suite Release	Description
Oracle E-Business Suite	All releases	Target representing entire Oracle E-Business Suite instance.
Oracle Applications Service	All releases	Target representing all the services provided by Oracle E-Business Suite.
Concurrent Processing Service	All releases	Target representing the services provided by the concurrent processing infrastructure.
Forms-Based Applications Service	All releases	Target representing the services provided by Oracle Forms.
Self-Service Applications Service	All releases	Target representing the services provided by self-service applications.

Target Type	Applicable Oracle E-Business Suite Release	Description
Workflow Service	All releases	Target representing the service provided by the Oracle Workflow infrastructure.
Oracle E-Business Suite Node	All releases	Target representing an individual Oracle E-Business Suite node.
Oracle Concurrent Manager	All releases	Target representing the concurrent manager.
Internal Concurrent Manager	All releases	Target representing the internal concurrent manager.
Oracle E-Business Suite Workflow	All releases	Target representing all the members of the Oracle Workflow infrastructure.
Oracle Workflow Agent Listener	All releases	Target representing the Oracle Workflow agent listener.
Oracle Workflow Background Engine	All releases	Target representing the Oracle Workflow background engine.
Oracle Workflow Notification Mailer	All releases	Target representing the Oracle Workflow notification mailer.
Oracle Applications JVM Usage	12.1.x	Target representing the JVM that runs the oacore server. This is used to monitor parameters specific to Oracle E-Business Suite deployment.
Oracle E-Business Suite Custom Objects	All releases	Target representing the customizations in an Oracle E-Business Suite instance.
Oracle E-Business Suite Patch Information	All releases	Target representing the patching activities in an Oracle E-Business Suite instance.
HTTP Server for Oracle E-Business Suite 11 <i>i</i>	11 <i>i</i>	Target representing the HTTP Server in an Oracle E-Business Suite 11 <i>i</i> instance.
JServ for Oracle E-Business Suite 11 <i>i</i>	11 <i>i</i>	Target representing the j2eecontainer in which the Oracle E-Business Suite 11 <i>i</i> is deployed.

Target Type	Applicable Oracle E-Business Suite Release	Description
Forms Listener for Oracle E-Business Suite 11 <i>i</i>	11 <i>i</i>	Target representing the Forms listener in an Oracle E-Business Suite 11 <i>i</i> instance that is running in socket mode.
Forms Servlet for Oracle E-Business Suite 11 <i>i</i>	11 <i>i</i>	Target representing the Forms listener in an Oracle E-Business Suite instance that is running in servlet mode.
Reports Server for Oracle E-Business Suite 11i	11 <i>i</i>	Target representing the Reports Server for Oracle E-Business Suite 11 <i>i</i> .
Discoverer for Oracle E-Business Suite 11 <i>i</i>	11 <i>i</i>	Target representing Discoverer for Oracle E-Business Suite 11 <i>i</i> .
Oracle E-Business Suite Conflict Resolution Manager	All releases	Target representing Oracle E-Business Suite Conflict Resolution Manager.
Oracle E-Business Suite Internal Monitor	All releases	Target representing Oracle E-Business Suite Internal Monitor.
Oracle E-Business Suite Output Post Processor	All releases	Target representing Oracle E-Business Suite Output Post Processor.
Oracle E-Business Suite Service Manager	All releases	Target representing Oracle E-Business Suite Service Manager.
Oracle E-Business Suite Concurrent Processing Service	All releases	Oracle E-Business Suite Concurrent Processing Service.
Oracle E-Business Suite Transaction Manager	All releases	Oracle E-Business Suite Transaction Manager.
Oracle MobileApps Telnet Listener	All releases	Target representing the Mobile Web Application (MWA) server and dispatcher.

# **Prevalidation for Discovery**

This appendix covers the following topics:

Prevalidation Checks for Discovery

## **Prevalidation Checks for Discovery**

The following table lists the checks used in the prevalidation step of discovery.

Category	Sub category	Description	Applicable Releases of Oracle E-Business Suite
Apps Context File	Number of Context Files	A minimum of one (1) context file must be there.	For 11 <i>i</i> and 12.1. <i>x</i>
Apps Context File	Number of Context Files	A minimum of two (2) context files must be there.	12.2 and above
Apps Context File	Context Name	Context name should not be empty.	All releases
Apps Context File	Context Name	Context name must be same for both run and patch editions.	12.2 and above
Apps Context File	Edition Name	Edition name must be same for all nodes under an edition.	12.2 and above
Apps Context File	Duplicate Context Files	There should not be two context files for the same applications node.	11 <i>i</i> and 12.1.x

Category	Sub category	Description	Applicable Releases of Oracle E-Business Suite
Apps Context File	Duplicate Context Files	There should not be two context files for the same node under an edition.	12.2 and above
Apps Context File	Number of nodes	Only one applications node per host.	11 <i>i</i> and 12.1.x
Apps Context File	Number of nodes	Only two applications nodes per host: One for the run edition and one for the patch edition.	12.2 and above
Apps Context File	EBS System Name	Oracle E-Business Suite system name must be the same in all context files.	For all releases
Apps Context File	Context variables	Mandatory context variables must be there.	All releases
Apps Context File	WLS Admin Server	Must be up for the run edition.	12.2 and above
DB ContextFile	Duplicate Context Files	There should not be two context files for the same database node.	All releases
DB ContextFile	Context Name	Context name should not be empty.	All releases
DB ContextFile	Number of nodes	Only one database node per host.	All releases
DB ContextFile	EBS System Name	Oracle E-Business Suite system name must be same in all context files.	All releases
DB ContextFile	Context variables	Mandatory context variables must be there.	All releases
EMGC Components	Agent installation	EM Agents must be installed on all hosts.	All releases
EMGC Components	Agent Compatibility	Agent must be at the same release as OMS or one release lower (n-1).	All releases

Category	Sub category	Description	Applicable Releases of Oracle E-Business Suite
EMGC Components	OS User	Agent OS user and Oracle E-Business Suite OS user must be same or must be in the same OS user group.	All releases

# **Supported File Types in Customization** Manager

This appendix covers the following topics:

- Supported File Types
- Recommended Locations for Common File Types
- Execution Sequence of SQL File Types

## **Supported File Types**

The following table lists the supported file types in Customization Manager. You can include files of only these types in your custom packages. The Object Action column lists the action that AutoPatch performs on files of the given type.

File Type Name	Source Extension	Description	Object Action
alter_sequence	.sql	Alter Sequence Script	copy and execute as APPS
alter_table	.sql	Alter Table Script	copy and execute as APPS
alter_table_ow ner	.sql	Alter Table Owner Script (run as schema owner)	copy and execute as schema owner
amx	.amx	Standard XML file	copy
app	.app	Used to configure the apache single listener (modplsql)	copy

File Type Name	Source Extension	Description	Object Action
BC4J XML	.xml	Oracle Application Framework - BC4J XML file customizations	compile and deploy under \$JAVA_TOP
bmp	.bmp	Bitmap image file	copy
cfg	.cfg	Configuration file	copy
class	.class	Java class file	copy
clx	.clx	Spell-checking dictionary file in compressed lexicon format	copy
cmd	.cmd	NT Command File	copy
conf	.conf	Configuration file to be released along the product	copy
coremif	.coremif	XML file that contains schematic information about graphical representation of the structure (RMIM)	сору
create_index	.sql	Create Index Script	copy and execute as APPS
create_index_o wner	.sql	Create Index Owner Script	copy and execute as schema owner
create_sequenc e	.sql	Create Sequence Script	copy and execute as APPS
create_synony m	.sql	Create View Synonym Script	copy and execute as APPS
create_synony m_owner	.sql	Create Synonym Owner Script	copy and execute as schema owner
create_table	.sql	Create Table Script	copy and execute as APPS
create_table_o wner	.sql	Create Table Schema Owner Script	copy and execute as schema owner

File Type Name	Source Extension	Description	Object Action
create_trigger	.sql	Create or Replace Trigger Script	copy and execute as APPS
create_type	.sql	Create or Replace Type Script	copy and execute as APPS
create_view	.sql	Create or Replace View Script	copy and execute as APPS
create_view_o wner	.sql	Create View Owner Script	copy and execute as schema owner
csh	.csh	Shell script file	copy
CSV	.csv	File from which user-needed data is imported	copy
ctl	.ctl	SQL*Loader file	copy
dat	.dat	Data file	сору
dbc	.dbc	File used for database connection	copy
dbt	.dbt	Database text file	сору
def	.def	Definition file	сору
dis	.dis	Discoverer Export	copy
dll	.dll	Dynamic link library	copy
dmp	.dmp	Memory dump	copy
doc	.doc	Microsoft Word document file	copy
document css	.css	Used in document patches; cascading stylesheet file	copy and execute using FNDGFU
document gif	.gif	Used in document patches; image files	copy

File Type Name	Source Extension	Description	Object Action
document htm	.htm	Used in document patches; HTML files	сору
document ldt	.ldt	Used in document patches; navigation library files	copy and upload using FNDLOAD
dot	.dot	Microsoft Word template file	сору
drv	.drv	Driver file	сору
drvx	.drvx	Database driver exception file	copy
dtd	.dtd	XML Document Type Definition	copy
ear	.ear	An EJB .jar archive with XML contents in the META-INF	сору
eex	.eex	Oracle Discoverer	сору
env	.env	Environment file	сору
exp	.exp	Drawing Express file format	copy
fdi	.fdi	Disk image file	copy
fdo	.fdo	Form definition operator script	copy
flt	.flt	Filter file	сору
fmb	.fmb	Oracle Forms	copy and genform
fmt	.fmt	Oracle Forms form source text file	сору
fmx	.fmx	Compiled form	copy

File Type Name	Source Extension	Description	Object Action
force upload	.ldt	Used in software patches	copy and upload using FNDLOAD with CUSTOM_MODE=FORCE option
fpp	.fpp	Fortan source code file	copy
frm	.frm	Database format file	copy
ftg	.ftg	System help file	copy
fxp	.fxp	Fortan compiled code file	copy
hct	.hct	HRMS fast formula loader control file	copy
hdt	.hdt	HRMS fast formula loader data file	сору
hlp	.hlp	Help file	copy
html	.html	Hypertext Markup Language	copy
ico	.ico	Icon file	copy
imp	.imp	Spreadsheet file	copy
inc	.inc	Include file	copy
inf	.inf	Used for applying updates to windows registry	copy
ini	.ini	Java Parameter File	copy
inp	.inp	Input file	сору
interface ldt	.n	Interface Repository loader file	copy
jar	.jar	Java archive file	сору

File Type Name	Source Extension	Description	Object Action
java	.java	Java file	compile and deploy under \$JAVA_TOP
java_lib	.jar	Java library (for compilation only)	Use jar only for compiling; jar is not included into the patch
jlt	.jlt	Java Loader Text - used by AKLOAD.java	copy
jpg	.jpg	JPEG image file	copy
Jpx	.jpx	BC4J Substitution	copy
JRAD/MDS File	.xml	JRAD Files are xml extensions. These extensions should be used for Oracle Application Framework objects under the mds directory.	copy and load using XMLImporter
js	.js	Javascript file	copy
jsp	.jsp	Java server page	copy
jspx	.jspx	JSP document	copy
lct	.lct	Application Object Library Generic Loader control file	copy
11t	.llt	Digital chart file	copy
mac	.mac	Macro file	copy
mdl	.mdl	Text file created by Oracle Warehouse Builder (OWB) metadata loader file for data import	copy
mif	.mif	XML file that contains schematic information about graphical representation of the structure (RMIM)	copy

File Type Name	Source Extension	Description	Object Action
mk	.mk	Make file	copy
mmb	.mmb	Menu file	copy
mmt	.mmt	Menu text file	copy
mmx	.mmx	A kind of menu file	copy
msb	.msb	Message Dictionary file	copy
msg	.msg	FND Message Loader Text	copy
MSI	.xml	Manual Step File	copy
OAF Component	.java	Oracle Application Framework customizations	compile and deploy under \$JAVA_TOP
obd	.obd	Online help file	copy
odb	.odb	Oracle Lite database file required from Mobile Applications	copy
odf	.odf	Object definition file	copy
ogd	.ogd	Oracle Graphics	copy
ora	.ora	Net8 configuration files (listener.ora, tnsnames.ora)	copy
package_body	.sql	Package body	copy and execute as APPS
package_spec	.sql	Package specification	copy and execute as APPS
pc	.pc	Pro*C program	copy
pdf	.pdf	Document file (Portable Document Format (PDF)	сору

File Type Name	Source Extension	Description	Object Action
pdf	.pdf	XMLP PDF notrans	copy and load using XDOLoader
pdt	.pdt	HRMS legislative loader data file	сору
pkb	.pkb	Package body	copy and execute as APPS
pkh	.pkh	Package header	copy and execute as APPS
pkh (no n)	.pkh	Package definition	copy
Pks	.pks	PL/SQL package specification	copy and execute as APPS
pl	.pl	Perl Scripts	copy
plb	.plb	Package body	copy
pld (Forms)	.pld	Forms Library	compile to pll; copy and genfpll
pld (Reports)	.pld	Reports Library	compile to pll; copy and genrpll
pll (Forms)	.pll	Compiled Forms library	copy and run genfpll
pll (Reports)	.pll	Compiled Reports library	copy and run genrpll
Pls	.pls	PL/SQL package specification	copy and execute as APPS
plx	.plx	Oracle Forms library file executable	copy
pm	.pm	Perl Modules	сору
ppp	.ppp	Page layout file	сору
prc	.prc	Palm Pilot application file	copy

File Type Name	Source Extension	Description	Object Action
prog	.prog	Host concurrent program	copy create a symbolic link using \$FND_TOP/patch/115/bin
properties	.properties	Java Property Class	copy
prt	.prt	Oracle Reports driver	copy
ps	.ps	Postscript Pages	copy
rdf	.rdf	Oracle Reports	copy and genrep
res	.res	Resource file to store WF messages and used by WF Resource Generator	copy
rlt	.rlt	Data analysis uncommon file	copy
rpt	.rpt	Oracle Reports file	copy
rsp	.rsp	Rapid Install response file	copy
RTF File	.rtf	Rich text format	copy
rts	.rts	Resource bundle file for java related tool is Tecate	copy
Scr	.scr	Script file generated by the Oracle Scripting Script Builder" tool"	copy
seed_data	.sql	Custom Seeded Data SQL script	copy and execute as APPS
sh	.sh	Bourne or Korn shell script	copy
so	.so	UNIX shared library	copy
software css	.css	Used in software patches	copy

File Type Name	Source Extension	Description	Object Action
software gif	.gif	Image file (Graphics Interchange Format)	сору
software htm	.htm	Hypertext Markup Language	сору
software ldt	.ldt	Used in software patches	copy and upload using FNDLOAD
sql	.sql	SQL script	copy and execute as APPS
sql_owner	.sql	Generic SQL Owner Script (copy only)	copy and execute as schema owner
sqlj	.sqlj	SQLJ file	сору
sym	.sym	Always accompanies a dll	copy
tag	.tag	Query tag name	copy
tcl	.tcl	TCL scripts called by Oracle Enterprise Manager's Intelligent Agent for hosted Exchange products	copy
thtml	.thtml	Template toolkit for ISD	copy
tif	.tif	Image file (Tagged Image File Format)	copy
tld	.tld	Tag library definition file	copy
tlx	.tlx	Spell-checking dictionary file in text lexicon format	copy
tpl	.tpl	Template files	copy
ttf	.ttf	TrueType font definition file	copy
txt	.txt	Plain text file	copy

File Type Name	Source Extension	Description	Object Action
uit	.uit	Custom renderer for the FWK header component	сору
uix	.uix	User interface XML	сору
vsd	.vsd	Source file for gif files used in translations	copy
wbmp	.wbmp	Bitmap file for wireless devices	сору
wft	.wft	Workflow Text	copy and upload using WFLOAD
wfx	.wfx	Workflow XML loader files	copy and load using WFXLoader
wsdl	.wsdl	Web Services Description Language File	сору
x2h	.x2h	X2h format file for ISD	сору
xcfg	.xcfg	ADF XML configuration file	сору
xdf	.xdf	XML files containing object definitions	copy and execute using FNDXDFCMP
xdf(AW) xlf	.xlf	Analytic Workspaces XML files containing object definitions	copy
xgd	.xgd	XML Gateway Data definition file	сору
xgm	.xgm	XML Gateway Mapping file	copy
xlf	.xlf	XLF files are generated from xml files	сору
xls	.xls	Microsoft Excel file	copy

File Type Name	Source Extension	Description	Object Action
XML	.xml	Extensible Markup Language file	сору
XMLP PDF notrans	.pdf	XML Publisher (XDO) PDF templates	сору
XMLP rtf notrans	.rtf	XML Publisher (XDO) non-transferable RTF templates	copy and load using XDOLoader
XMLP rtf notrans	.rtf	XML Publisher (XDO) non-translatable RTF templates (recommended)	copy
XMLP rtf template	.rtf	XML Publisher (XDO) translatable templates	copy
XMLP xlf	.xlf	XIf files generated from translatable XMLP templates	copy
XMLP XML notrans	.xml	XML Publisher (XDO) non-translatable XML templates	copy
XMLP XSD notrans	.xsd	XML Publisher (XDO) non-translatable XML templates	copy
XMLP XSL notrans	.xsl	XML Publisher (XDO) non-translatable XSL templates	copy
xsd	.xsd	XML Schema provides a means for defining the structure of XML documents	сору
xsl (non-dbdrv)	.xsl	XML Style Sheets (not used in database driver)	сору
xss	.xss	Extensible Style Sheet definition	сору

File Type Name	Source Extension	Description	Object Action
Z	.Z	Adaptive Lempel-Ziv compressed file	сору
zip	.zip	Zipped file	copy

## **Recommended Locations for Common File Types**

The following table lists recommended locations for some commonly-used file types.

File Types	Description	Recommended Destination Path (Relative to Product Top)
sql, package_spec,package_body, create_table, alter_table, create_sequence,alter_sequence,crea te_view,create_trigger, create_type create_index,seed_data,create_syno nym,pkh,plb,pls,pkb, create_table_owner,alter_table_own er,create_index_owner, sql_owner,create_view_owner ,create_synonym_owner	SQL, PL/SQL files	patch/115/sql
software ldt	All Generic Loader (FNDLOAD) files	patch/115/import/ <lang>; for example, 'patch/115/import/US'</lang>
sh	Shell script	bin
pl	Perl script	bin
prog	Host concurrent program	bin
xdf	XDF file	patch/115/xdf
fmb	Forms	forms/ <lang>; for example, forms/US</lang>

File Types	Description	Recommended Destination Path (Relative to Product Top)
rdf	Report	reports/ <lang>; for example, reports/US</lang>
html,xsl,xss,css	HTML and style sheets	html
jsp	JSP	html
XML Publisher templates	XML Publisher templates	patch/115/publisher/templa tes
java	Java files	java/ <package path="">; for example, java/test for the file oracle/apps/newprod/test/h ello.java</package>
JRAD/MDS file	Oracle Application Framework-related XML files	mds/ <path></path>
gif	Image files	media
pm	Perl module	perl/ <path></path>
wfx	wfx file	patch/115/xml

# **Execution Sequence of SQL File Types**

The following table lists the execution sequence of SQL file types.

File Type	Description	Order Of Execution
create_sequence	Create sequence script	1
create_table	Create table script	2
create_table_owner	Create table in custom schema	2

File Type	Description	Order Of Execution
alter_table	Alter table script	3
alter_sequence	Alter sequence script	3
alter_table_owner	Alter table in custom schema	3
create_type	Create or replace type script	4
package_spec	Package specification	5
create_view	Create or replace view script	6
create_synonym	Create view synonym script	6
create_view_owner	Create view in custom schema	6
create_synonym_owner	Create synonym in custom schema	6
package_body	Package body	7
seed_data	Custom seeded data SQL script	8
create_index	Create index script	9
create_index_owner	Create index in custom schema	9
create_trigger	Create or replace trigger script	10
sql	Generic	11
sql_owner	Run SQL in custom schema	11

For example, the type create\_sequence will execute before the type create\_table or create\_table\_owner. The types create\_table/create\_table\_owner will execute in parallel before the types alter\_table/alter\_sequence/alter\_table\_owner.

# **Customization Manager Coding Standards Validation**

This appendix covers the following topics:

- Customization Manager Coding Standards Validation for Files
- Customization Manager Coding Standards Validation for Database Objects

### **Customization Manager Coding Standards Validation for Files**

Customization Manager has a standards checker to check that the files included in a custom package meet certain coding standards. This checker tests all code for standards compliance.

Some standards are mandatory and will result in failure when Customization Manager attempts to build the package. Other standards are recommended, and the standards checker will give a warning but the package will be built.

### **Mandatory File Standards**

The standards in the following table must be met. If a file does not meet these standards then Customization Manager will not build the package containing it.

Standard Name	Description
Header Check	Each file must have an Oracle-compliant source header present.
PLD File Location Standard	PLD files must be located somewhere under one of following directories: resource, plsql, graphs.

Standard Name	Description
SQL using CONNECT Standard	SQL files using a "connect" statement must have a valid dbdrv hint provided within the file.
Java Destination Path Standard	For Java files within a package, the destination path must start with "java".
Java Package Path Standard	For Java files within a package, the destination path for the Java file must match its package structure.

## Other File Standards

The following table lists standards that if not met, will result in a Warning, but the package will still be built.

Standard Name	Description
Java SOP Check	Java files must not use System.out.print
Java System.gc() Check	Java files must not use System.gc
SQL dual reference check	SQL files must not use System.dual, instead use dual
PERL module location	Perl module must be located anywhere under perl directory
PERL file location	Perl files must be located under one of following directories: bin, patch/[release]/bin,admin/template,admin/template/*.
SQL comment standard	SQL file should not have as comment
SQL file (!) check	SQL file should not have ! character
PLS (!) check	PLS file should not have ! character
JRAD halign check	JRAD XML files should not contain hAlign
Java package name check	All Java classes must be in packages beginning with: oracle.apps.[prod_name]

Standard Name	Description
Java System.err Check Standard	Java files must not use System.err
SQL file location check	SQL files must be located under one of following directories: admin/sql,admin/template,admin/template/*,patch/ [some dir]/sql,sql
Drvx file location check	Drvx files must be located under one of following directories: patch/[some dir]/driver, admin/template,admin/template/*
Driver File Location Standard	Driver files must be located under one of following directories: admin/driver,patch/[some dir]/driver, admin/template,admin/template/*
LCT File Location Standard	LCT files must be located under one of following directories: admin/import,patch/[some dir]/import,upgrade/[some dir]/import,admin/template,admin/template/*
LDT File Location Standard	LDT files must be located under one of following directories: admin/import,patch/[some dir]/import,help,,admin/template,admin/template/*
PKG File Location Standard	Package files must be located under one of following directories: admin/sql,patch/[some dir]/sql,admin/template,admin/template/*
RTF File Location Standard	RTF files must be located under: patch/115/publisher/templates
XSS Location Standard	XSS files must be located under one of following directories: html,admin/template,admin/template/*
HCT Location Standard	HCT files must be located under one of following directories: patch/[some dir]/import,admin/template,admin/template/*
HDT Location Standard	HDT files must be located under one of following directories: patch/[some dir]/import,admin/template,admin/template/*
PDT Location Standard	PDT files must be located under one of following directories: patch/[some dir]/import,admin/template,admin/template/*

Standard Name	Description
JavaScript Location Standard	JavaScript files must be located under one of following directories: html,patch/[some dir]/html,upgrade/[some dir]/html,admin/template,admin/template/*
PrintStackTrace Check	Using printStackTrace is not recommended
Workflow Location Standard	Workflow files must be located under one of following directories: admin/import,patch/[some dir]/import,admin/template,admin/template/*
XDF Location Standard	XDF files must be located under one of following directories: admin/xdf,patch/[some dir]/xdf,patch/[some dir]/xdf/aw/US
Absolute URL Check Standard	Check for absolute URLs
Report Printer Def File	Report printer files must be located under one of following directories: reports,admin/template,admin/template/*
Form Location Standard	Form files must be located under one of following directories: forms,admin/template,admin/template/*
JAR Location Standard	Jar files must be located under one of following directories: java/3rdparty,java/3rdparty/stdalone,admin/template,admin/template/,patch/115/jar/bpel
JSP Location Standard	JSP files must be located under one of following directories: html,html/jsp/[PROD],html/jsp/[PROD]/[MOD],html/jsp/[PROD]/[MOD]/[sub MOD],admin/template,admin/template/*
Dependency Files Location Standard	Dependency files must be located under one of following directories: java/make,admin/template,admin/template/*
Cmd file Location Standard	CMD files must be located under one of following directories: admin/template,admin/template/*,bin
XML Location Standard	XML files must be located under one of following directories: html,java,mds,patch/115/publisher/defs,admin/template,admin/template/*,patch/115/manualsteps.
XGM Location Standard	XGM files must be located under one of following directories: patch/[some dir]/xml/US,admin/template,admin/template/*

Standard Name	Description
XSL Location Standard	XSL files must be located under one of following directories: html,admin/xdf/xsl,patch/[some dir]/xdf/xsl,patch/[some
ForceViewCheck	One must use FORCE in CREATE statements in view creation scripts
Show Error Check	SQL scripts must not contain the Show errors command
Absolute URL Check	Having absolute URLs is not recommended
Pkg Replace Check	Use CREATE OR REPLACE PACKAGE for package creation. Do not omit OR REPLACE
Pkg Create IS Check	Package creation must not use IS. Instead should always use AS
Xml Parse Standard	XML files should be well-formed
Control M Standard	Text files should not have control M [^M] character
SQL NoLogging Check	Using NOLogging in SQL scripts is not recommended
SQL Serveroutput Check	Using set serveroutput on in SQL scripts is not recommended
Wfx File Naming Standard	WFX filename must end in s, e, or a, ie. [s e a].wfx.
16.3 File Naming Standard	Filename should adhere to the 16.3 naming standard
Set Scan Off Standard	Package creation scripts containing ampersand must have SET SCAN OFF
Drop Table check	Drop table should not be used in SQL/PLSQL files as it can result in loss of data
SQL Max Line LengthStandard	No line in a SQL file should be longer than 255 characters
FNDSLOAD Check Standard	FNDSLOAD is obsolete. No dbdrv: hints should refer to FNDSLOAD

Standard Name	Description
Drop Column check	Drop Column should not be used in SQL/PLSQL files
Long Raw check	LONG or LONG RAW columns should not be used
Insert Column check	INSERT SQL statements, should explicitly list the columns about to insert
FNDLOAD/FNDLOADS O syntax check	FNDLOAD/FNDLOADSO must have correct syntax
Admin Dbdrv none check	All files under [PROD_TOP]/admin must have only dbdrv: none
NLADD Sql Check	There should be no [PROD]NLADD.sql files in R12 patches
FNDLOAD ldt phase	dbdrv: FNDLOAD ldt files must have correct phase
Menu file location	Menu files must be located under one of following directories: resource,admin/template,admin/template/*
WFX file location check	WFX files must be located under one of following directories: patch/[some dir]/xml,admin/template,admin/template/*
Create single line check	In SQL files, CREATE command must occur on one line only.
SQL exit check	SQL files must end with exit
Package SpecBody Same file	The package specification and body should be in different files
SQL Absolute path Check	SQL files should not have absolute path in a @ or @@ statements
Calling SQL script check	Use start or @ when calling a SQL script within a SQL script. Do not use @@.
Applsyspub Schema Check	Custom scripts are not allowed to modify APPLSYSPUB schema
Custom File Naming Standard	All files involved in the package must be for a product prefixed with xx""

Standard Name	Description
Pkg body creation Standard	Package body creation scripts should not be in pkh files
Pkg spec creation Standard	Package Spec creation scripts should not be in pkb and plb files
Mview Build deferred Standard	Materialized Views must be created with BUILD DEFERRED option
Mview Parallel Standard	Materialized Views should not be created with parallel command
Mview prebuilt Standard	Materialized Views must not be created with ON PREBUILT TABLE option
Report Location Standard	Report files must be located under one of following directories: reports,admin/template,admin/template/*
Import stmt Check	Java import statements must reference fully qualified Class names
Language check in destination path	The destination path for a file entry in the package creation process should not have the language code as a suffix. The language should be specified separately.
JRAD XML file type	During the package creation process, if an XML file is included with the file type as 'JRAD XML' (File type ID is 1005), then the destination path should start with 'mds'.
Control-M characters in PLD files	If a PLD file contains a control-M character, then some issues may arise while applying a patch containing this PLD file.
SQL whenever sqlerror exit failure rollback	A SQL Script should contain "WHENEVER SQLERROR EXIT FAILURE ROLLBACK;".
Java file empty catch block	An empty catch Block finds instances where an exception is caught, but nothing is done.
Avoid returning from a finally block	In Java code, one should avoid returning from a finally block - this can discard exceptions. There should be no return statement from a finally block.

Standard Name	Description
Avoid catching null pointer exception	Java code should never catch a null pointer exception. A catch block may hide the original error, resulting in other more subtle errors.
Java throwing exception in finally block	In Java, throwing exception in a finally block is confusing. It may mask an exception or a defect in the code, and it can also make code cleanup unstable.
Java catching throwable	In Java, one should avoid catching throwable. This action is dangerous because such a catch can catch other things like OutOfMemoryError.
Java class should not extend error	Errors are system exceptions. Classes should not extend them.
Java files must have	All Java files must have the following for source control ID:
rcs_id	<pre>public static final String RCS_ID = \$Header\$</pre>
Java class name check	All Java files should have a class with a name that is the same as that of the file name.
Java empty if check	There should be no empty if statements in Java code. An empty if statement finds instances where a condition is checked but nothing is done about it.
Java empty while check	There should be no empty while statements in Java code.
Java empty finally block	There should be no empty finally blocks in Java code. Avoid empty finally blocks; these can be deleted.
Java if without braces	In Java, if statements must use curly braces. Avoid using if statements without curly braces.
Java while without braces	In Java, while statements must use curly braces. Avoid using while statements without using curly braces. Formats without curly braces are error-prone.
Java switch must have default label	In Java files, switch statements should have a default label.
Java empty synchronized	There should be no empty synchronized blocks.

Standard Name	Description
Java empty static initializer	There should be no empty static initializer blocks.
JRAD files language must be US English	In a JRAD XML file, the language of the XML file should be US English and specified as "xml:lang = 'en-US'"
Java Parameter (INI)	Java Parameter files should follow these standards:
extension and location standard	-Identified by file extension: .ini -Location standard: 1.\$ <prod_top>/admin/template 2.\$<prod_top>/admin/template/*</prod_top></prod_top>
JDBC TimeStamp Compliance	The proper column bind type should be used when sending/fetching DATE columns. Do not use Types.TIMESTAMP or OracleTypes.TIMESTAMP.
Do not use ~FILE or ~PATH in .drvx files	~FILE and ~PATH cannot be used in a dbdrv: command in a .drvx file, even within checkfile. A .drvx file is not loaded into the database.
dbdrv: fdfcmp should not be called	The database driver should not call fdfcmp.
Files with .drvx extension must contain 'dbdrv: command'	For each driver exception ( .drvx ) file the line dbdrv: command must exist. The command must be in all lowercase. The line dbdrv: none commands fail also.
No drvx files should contain XDOLoader	For all new patches containing Oracle XML Publisher files, the dbdrv command should be added to the file directly instead of using a separate drvx file.
No drvx files should contain dbdrv: PYLOAD	PYLOAD should not be in any automatically generated database driver.
dbdrv: FFXBCP must	dbdrv: FFXBCP must have correct syntax:
have correct syntax	<pre>exec ff bin FFXBCP bin &amp;phase=last(+##) &amp;ui_apps 0 Y( -S   -U   -SU   )</pre>
dbdrv: FFXMLC must	FFXMLC command must contain the following syntax:
have correct syntax	<pre>exec ff bin FFXMLC bin (&amp;phase=dat(+##)) &amp;ui_apps 0 [yY]</pre>

Standard Name	Description
dbdrv: FNDLIBR must have correct syntax	FNDLIBR command must contain the following syntax:  exec fnd bin FNDLIBR bin <phase> FND FNDCPBWV &amp;ui_apps SYSADMIN 'System Administrator' SYSADMIN</phase>
dbdrv: java htmlLoad.class must have correct syntax	Java htmlLoad.class command must contain the following syntax:  exec java oracle/apps/per htmlLoad.class java -username &un_apps -password  &pw_apps -database &jdbc_db_addr -file <.html file>
dbdrv: java UnzipFile.class must have correct syntax	Java UnzipFile.class command must contain the following syntax: exec java oracle/apps/ad/jri UnzipFile.class java The file must also have the .zip extension.
dbdrv: LoadMap.class must have correct syntax	The syntax for LoadMap.class must be as follows:  exec java oracle/apps/ecx/loader LoadMap.class java &phase=dat &un_apps &pw_apps &jdbc_db_addr &fullpath_prod_path_file
JRAD XML files must have file-version attribute	JRAD XML files must have a file-version attribute to indicate the version of the file. Following is a sample definition of file-version. <page file-version="\$Header: AkTestAttachLinkPG.xml 115.0 2003/02/10 18:18:10 tmak noship \$" version="9.0.3.7.0_428" xml:lang="en-US" xmlns="http://xmlns.example.com/jrad" xmlns:jrad="http://xmlns.example.com/jrad" xmlns:oa="http://xmlns.example.com/oa" xmlns:ui="http://xmlns.example.com/uix/ui">  Note that the file-version attribute must have the correct filename and a version.</page>
Translation standard for JRAD files	In JRAD xml files the encoding should be UTF-8 and specified as: "encoding = 'UTF-8'"
Do not end comments with the '-' character	Do not end comments with the '-' character, as this is the default Sql*Plus line continuation character. For lines with a series of '-', end the line with a '+' sign.
11i file version standard	File version should start with '11'
R12 file version standard	File version should start with '12'

## **Customization Manager Coding Standards Validation for Database Objects**

The following table lists the standards which are applicable only for Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2 Online Patching.

Object Type	Description	File Types
Table	A column type should not be ROWID.	.xdf, .odf
Table	A column type must not be LONG.	.xdf, .odf
Table	A column type must be a built-in type or a user-defined type owned by a non-editioned user.	.xdf
Table	A base column name should be unique within the table within the first 27 bytes.	.xdf, .odf
Table	A base column name may use the # character only to distinguish the column versions; for example, <col_name>#<version>.</version></col_name>	.xdf, .odf
Table	A table must be owned by an Oracle E-Business Suite product schema, not APPS.	.xdf
Table	A table name must not use the '#' character.	.xdf, .odf
Materialized View (MV)	Create/alter Materialized View definition using XDF	.sql , .pkb, pkh
Constraint	Create/alter constraint definition using XDF or ODF	.sql, .pkb, .pkh, .pls
Index	Create/alter the index definition using ODF or XDF.	.sql, .pkb, .pkh, .pls
Table	Create/alter the table definition using ODF or XDF.	.sql, .pkb, .pkh, .pls
Table	Do not modify application-managed tables in an online patch.	.xdf, .odf
Constraint	A constraint name must contain an underscore ('_').	.xdf
Index	An index name must contain an underscore ('_').	.xdf, .odf

Object Type	Description	File Types
Trigger	A table trigger must be created on editioning view, not on the table.	.sql, .pkb, pls
Table	DML statements must access tables via a table synonym or the editioning view.	All code
VPD	A VPD policy must be created on the editioning view or table synonym, not on the table.	.sql
Synonym	A table synonym must point to the editioning view, not to the table.	.sql, .pkb, .pls
Synonym	Do not install synonyms in non-editioned schemas	.xdf, .odf

# **Validation of Custom Applications: Examples**

This appendix covers the following topics:

Validation of Custom Applications: Examples

### **Validation of Custom Applications: Examples**

The following table lists examples of issues that might be discovered in validating a custom application. Recommended solutions are also provided. These examples apply only to Oracle E-Business Suite Release 11i.

Because the list of issues and its corresponding recommendations will vary for one instance to another, please run requests to validate existing custom applications to generate release-specific and instance-specific recommendations. See: Managing Custom Applications, page 16-5.

The example custom application 'xxcust' used in this table corresponds to a case-sensitive custom application shortname.

The example custom application ID '50001' used in this table corresponds to the custom application ID.

#### Issue Recommendation for Release 11i The file Create or replace file \$APPL\_TOP/admin/xxcustprod.txt. The \$APPL\_TOP/admin/xxcus contents should be: tprod.txt does not exist. %%% Single-product product data file format 11.5.A xxcust 50001 END OF PRODUCT ABBREVIATIONS -999 50001 xxcust XXCUST APP No No No No Yes Yes 50001 XXCUST XXCUST 1.0.0 1.0.0 none none none END OF PRODUCTS Release 11.5.0 11.5.0 R115 R115 additional-this-mpl XXCUST 11.5.0 END OF RELEASE 0.0.0 The file Create or replace file \$APPL\_TOP/admin/xxcustterr.txt with file: \$APPL\_TOP/admin/xxcus %%% Single-product territory data file format tterr.txt does not exist. 11.5.A R115 O usaeng US AMERICAN EN US American English appltape.txt appltape.txt WE8ISO8859P1 Yes Standard Data Group none none none none none c xxcust xxcust END OF PRODUCT NAMES END OF LANGUAGE INFO The entry for xxcust is Update FND\_APPLICATION\_TL with the following sql: missing in INSERT INTO FND APPLICATION TL (APPLICATION ID, FND\_APPLICATION\_TL LANGUAGE, APPLICATION NAME, CREATED BY, CREATION DATE, LAST UPDATED BY, LAST UPD ATE DATE, LAST UPDATE\_LOGIN,

DESCRIPTION, SOURCE LANG)

VALUES (50001, 'US', 'xxcust', 1000, sysdate,

1000, sysdate, 1000, 'xxcust', 'US');

Issue	Recommendation for Release 11 <i>i</i>
The entry for product xxcust is missing from	Insert the information about product xxcust in FND_PRODUCT_INSTALLATIONS with following SQL:
FND_PRODUCT_INSTA LLATIONS	INSERT INTO  FND_PRODUCT_INSTALLATIONS (APPLICATION_ID, ORACLE_ID, LAST_UPDATE_DATE, LAST_UPDATED_BY, CREATI ON_DATE, CREATED_BY, LAST_UPDATE_LOGIN, PRODUCT_VERSION, STATUS, INDUSTRY, TABLESPACE, INDEX_TABLESPACE, TEMPO RARY_TABLESPACE, SIZING_FACTOR, INSTALL_GROUP_NUM, DB_STATUS, PATCH_LEVEL_) VALUES ( 50001, 50001, sysdate, 1000, sysdate, 1000, 1000, '11.5.0', 'I', 'C', <tablespace>, <index tablespace=""> , <temporary tablespace="">, 100, 0, 'I' , NULL_);  Please replace <tablespace>, <index tablespace=""> , <temporary< td=""></temporary<></index></tablespace></temporary></index></tablespace>
	tablespace> with appropriate values.

#### Issue

#### Recommendation for Release 11i

#### The database is missing user xxcust

Create database user xxcust

Give appropriate grants to the user by running the necessary SQL statements:

- grant create session, alter session to xxcust
- grant create type to xxcust
- grant create database link to xxcust
- grant create any outline, alter any outline, drop any outline to xxcust
- grant analyze any to xxcust
- grant create sequence, create table to xxcust
- grant create cluster to xxcust
- grant CREATE TRIGGER to xxcust
- grant create materialized view, query rewrite to xxcust
- grant unlimited quota on all tablespaces with which user xxcust is associated.

Please use APPS\_TS\_TX\_DATA as the main tablespace for user xxcust

Please use APPS\_TS\_TX\_IDX as the index tablespace for user xxcust

### The entry for product xxcust is missing from FND\_ORACLE\_USERID

Insert entry for the product xxcust in FND\_ORACLE\_USERID with the SQL:

```
INSERT INTO FND ORACLE USERID
(ORACLE ID, ORACLE USERNAME, LAST UPDATE DATE,
LAST UPDATED BY, CREATION DATE, CREATED BY, LAST UPD
ATE LOGIN, DESCRIPTION,
ENABLED FLAG, READ ONLY FLAG, ENCRYPTED ORACLE PASS
WORD,
CONCURRENT BATCH QUEUE ID, INSTALL_GROUP_NUM)
VALUES (50001, 'XXCUST', sysdate,
1000, sysdate, 1000, 1000, 'XXCUST Account',
'N', 'A', NULL, NULL, 0 );
```

Issue	Recommendation for Release 11 <i>i</i>
Entry for the product xxcust in \$APPL_TOP/admin/topfil e.txt does not exist	Edit \$APPL_TOP/admin/topfile.txt to insert the given below entry at the end:  xxcust <xxcust_top>  Please replace <xxcust_top> with appropriate value.</xxcust_top></xxcust_top>
Environment variable XXCUST_TOP not defined	Run AutoConfig to generate the environment variable XXCUST_TOP
Directory \$APPL_TOP/xxcust/11.5.0 does not exist.	Create directory \$APPL_TOP/xxcust/11.5.0
Directory \$APPL_TOP/xxcust/11.5.0 /log does not exist.	Create directory \$APPL_TOP/xxcust/11.5.0/log
Directory \$APPL_TOP/xxcust/11.5.0 /out does not exist.	Create directory \$APPL_TOP/xxcust/11.5.0/out
Directory \$APPL_TOP/xxcust/11.5.0 /mesg does not exist.	Create directory \$APPL_TOP/xxcust/11.5.0/mesg
Directory \$APPL_TOP/xxcust/11.5.0 /sql does not exist.	Create directory \$APPL_TOP/xxcust/11.5.0/sql
Directory \$APPL_TOP/xxcust/11.5.0 /admin does not exist.	Create directory \$APPL_TOP/xxcust/11.5.0/admin
Directory \$APPL_TOP/xxcust/11.5.0 /admin/driver does not exist.	Create directory \$APPL_TOP/xxcust/11.5.0/admin/driver
Directory \$APPL_TOP/xxcust/11.5.0 /admin/sql does not exist.	Create directory \$APPL_TOP/xxcust/11.5.0/admin/sql

Issue	Recommendation for Release 11 <i>i</i>
File \$APPL_TOP/xxcust/11.5.0 /admin/driver/xxcustfile.d rv does not exist.	Create file \$APPL_TOP/xxcust/11.5.0/admin/driver/xxcustfile.drv with following contents:  # Dummy xxcustfile.drv
File \$APPL_TOP/xxcust/11.5.0 /sql/XXCUSTNLINS.sql does not exist.	Create file \$APPL_TOP/xxcust/11.5.0/sql/XXCUSTNLINS.sql with following contents: commit;exit;
File \$APPL_TOP/xxcust/11.5.0 /admin/sql/XXCUSTNLA DD.sql does not exist.	Create file \$APPL_TOP/xxcust/11.5.0/admin/sql/XXCUSTNLADD.sql with following contents: commit; exit;

# **XML Schema to Discover Oracle E-Business Suite Using EM CLI**

### XML Schema to Discover Oracle E-Business Suite Using EM CLI

```
<xs:schema attributeFormDefault="unqualified"</pre>
elementFormDefault="qualified"
           xmlns:xs="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema">
  <xs:element name="EBSDiscovery">
    <xs:complexType>
      <xs:sequence>
        <xs:element name="DefaultDiscParams" minOccurs="0"</pre>
maxOccurs="1">
          <xs:complexType>
             <xs:sequence>
               <xs:element name="NamedCreds" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1">
                 <xs:complexType>
                   <xs:sequence>
                     <xs:element type="xs:string" name="AppsNamedCreds"</pre>
minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1"/>
                     <xs:element type="xs:string"</pre>
name="WlsAdminNamedCreds" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1"/>
                   </xs:sequence>
                 </xs:complexType>
               </xs:element>
               <xs:element name="CustomerGroupDetails" minOccurs="0"</pre>
maxOccurs="1">
                 <xs:complexType>
                   <xs:sequence>
                     <xs:element type="xs:string" name="GroupName"</pre>
minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1"/>
                     <xs:element type="xs:string"</pre>
name="InstanceGroupName" minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1"/>
                   </xs:sequence>
                 </xs:complexType>
               </xs:element>
               <xs:element name="DiscCustomization" minOccurs="0"</pre>
maxOccurs="1">
                 <xs:complexType>
                   <xs:all>
                     <xs:element name="DiscoverWorkflow" minOccurs="0"</pre>
maxOccurs="1">
                       <xs:simpleType>
                         <xs:restriction base="xs:string">
                           <xs:pattern value="Y|N"/>
                         </xs:restriction>
                       </xs:simpleType>
                     </xs:element>
                     <xs:element name="DiscoverSSA" minOccurs="0"</pre>
maxOccurs="1">
                       <xs:simpleType>
                         <xs:restriction base="xs:string">
                           <xs:pattern value="Y|N"/>
                         </xs:restriction>
                       </xs:simpleType>
                     </xs:element>
                     <xs:element name="DiscoverCustomeObjects"</pre>
minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1">
                       <xs:simpleType>
                         <xs:restriction base="xs:string">
                           <xs:pattern value="Y|N"/>
                          </xs:restriction>
```

```
</xs:simpleType>
                     </xs:element>
                     <xs:element name="DiscoverPatching" minOccurs="0"</pre>
maxOccurs="1">
                       <xs:simpleType>
                         <xs:restriction base="xs:string">
                           <xs:pattern value="Y|N"/>
                         </xs:restriction>
                       </xs:simpleType>
                     </xs:element>
                     <xs:element name="DiscoverJFF" minOccurs="0"</pre>
maxOccurs="1">
                       <xs:simpleType>
                         <xs:restriction base="xs:string">
                           <xs:pattern value="Y|N"/>
                         </xs:restriction>
                       </xs:simpleType>
                     </xs:element>
                     <xs:element name="DiscoverFormsService"</pre>
minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1">
                       <xs:simpleType>
                         <xs:restriction base="xs:string">
                           <xs:pattern value="Y|N"/>
                         </xs:restriction>
                       </xs:simpleType>
                     </xs:element>
                     <xs:element name="DiscoverWorkflowService"</pre>
minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1">
                       <xs:simpleType>
                         <xs:restriction base="xs:string">
                           <xs:pattern value="Y|N"/>
                         </xs:restriction>
                       </xs:simpleType>
                     </xs:element>
                     <xs:element name="DiscoverConcurrentManagers"</pre>
minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1">
                       <xs:complexType>
                         <xs:all>
                           <xs:element name="DiscoverAll" minOccurs="0"</pre>
maxOccurs="1">
                             <xs:simpleType>
                               <xs:restriction base="xs:string">
                                  <xs:pattern value="Y|N"/>
                               </xs:restriction>
                             </xs:simpleType>
                           </xs:element>
                           <xs:element name="ExcludeConcurrentManagers"</pre>
minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1">
                             <xs:complexType>
                               <xs:sequence>
                                  <xs:element name="ConcurrentManager"</pre>
minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
                               </xs:sequence>
                             </xs:complexType>
                           </xs:element>
                         </xs:all>
                       </xs:complexType>
                     </xs:element>
                     <xs:element name="DeleteRemovedTargets"</pre>
minOccurs="0" maxOccurs="1">
                       <xs:simpleType>
```

```
<xs:restriction base="xs:string">
                           <xs:pattern value="Y|N"/>
                         </xs:restriction>
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## Sample XML to Discover Oracle E-Business Suite Instances Using EM CLI

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<!--Required elements are marked with Required. All other elements are
optional. -->
<!--Required. Root element-->
<EBSDiscovery>
  <!--Default discovery parameters. These parameters will be applied to
all instances if not overridden.
    Predefined discovery parameters will be used if default discovery
parameters are not provided -->
  <DefaultDiscParams>
    <!-- Monitoring and Weblogic Admin named credential-->
    <NamedCreds>
      <!--Monitoring named credential for database-->
      <AppsNamedCreds></AppsNamedCreds>
      <!-- Weblogic Admin named credential. Required for EBS Release
12.2 and above-->
      <WlsAdminNamedCreds></WlsAdminNamedCreds>
    </NamedCreds>
    <!--Customer Group Details-->
    <CustomerGroupDetails>
      <!--All targets discovered for this instance will be grouped under
this group. This group will be added to Group: Customer Group Name .-->
      <GroupName></GroupName>
      <!--If the Customer Instance Group Name is provided, then all the
targets discovered for this instance and the Customer Instance Group
Name will be added to this group. -->
      <InstanceGroupName></InstanceGroupName>
    </CustomerGroupDetails>
    <!--Discovery Customization. Elements can occur in any order-->
    <DiscCustomization>
      <!--Disable/Enable discovery of the Oracle Workflow components.
Possible values: {Y, N}, Default Value: Y-->
      <DiscoverWorkflow></DiscoverWorkflow>
      <!--Disable/Enable creation of the Self-Service Applications (SSA)
Service. Possible values: {Y, N}, Default Value: Y-->
      <DiscoverSSA></DiscoverSSA>
      <!--Disable/Enable discovery of custom objects configuration.
Possible values: {Y, N}, Default Value: Y-->
      <DiscoverCustomeObjects></DiscoverCustomeObjects>
      <!--Disable/Enable discovery of the Patching Information Object.
This target is essential for any Oracle E-Business Suite patching
application and should be enabled if any patching applications are used
with this instance.
  Applicable for EBS Release 12 and above. Possible values: {Y, N},
Default Value: Y-->
      <DiscoverPatching></DiscoverPatching>
      <!--Disable/Enable discovery of the Java fulfillment. Possible
values: {Y, N}, Default Value: Y-->
     <DiscoverJFF></DiscoverJFF>
      <!--Disable/Enable creation of the Oracle Forms service.
  Applicable for EBS Release 12 and above. Possible values: {Y, N},
Default Value: Y-->
      <DiscoverFormsService></DiscoverFormsService>
      <!--Disable/Enable creation of the Oracle Workflow service. If you
do not discover workflow targets, then the workflow service will not be
discovered.
  Applicable for EBS Release 12 and above. Possible values: {Y, N},
Default Value: Y-->
```

```
<DiscoverWorkflowService></DiscoverWorkflowService>
     <!--Discovery customization of concurrent managers-->
     <DiscoverConcurrentManagers>
        <!--To Discover All concurrent managers. Possible values: {Y,
N}, Default Value: N.
    If set to N, only core concurrent managers will be discovered-->
        <DiscoverAll></DiscoverAll>
        <!-- Provision to exclude a few concurrent managers from
discovery even if DiscoverAll set to Y-->
        <ExcludeConcurrentManagers>
          <!--List of concurrent managers to exclude from discovery-->
          <ConcurrentManager></ConcurrentManager>
        </ExcludeConcurrentManagers>
     </DiscoverConcurrentManagers>
      <!--Whether to delete an Oracle E-Business Suite member target
from OMS which was originally discovered and later detached from the
Oracle E-Business Suite target hierarchy with a rediscovery.
       For example, say you have discovered an Oracle E-Business Suite
instance with five nodes. Later you customize the discovery and exclude
two nodes. When you perform rediscovery, the two excluded nodes become
orphan nodes. If this option is set to Yes, then the orphan targets will
be deleted during rediscovery.
   Possible values: {Y, N}, Default Value: N.-->
      <DeleteRemovedTragets>
      <!--Context level customization for application node. Applied to
all the application context targets of an EBS-->
     <AppNodeCustomization>
        <!--Discovery of Forms. Possible values: {Y, N}, Default Value:
Y. -->
       <DiscoverForms></DiscoverForms>
       <!--Discovery of Mobile Web Applications. Possible values: {Y,
N}, Default Value: Y.-->
        <DiscoverMWA></DiscoverMWA>
       <!--Discovery of JVM Usage. Possible values: {Y, N}, Default
Value: Y.-->
        <DiscoverJVMUsage>
     </AppNodeCustomization>
    </DiscCustomization>
  </DefaultDiscParams>
  <!-- Required. List of database targets to be discovered-->
  <Databases>
    <!--Required, can repeat 1 to N times. Database target details. At
least one occurrence is required-->
    <Database>
     <!-- Required. Name of database target. This database does not
have any customization -->
     <Name></Name>
    </Database>
    <!--Another database. This database has customization-->
    <Database>
      <Name></Name>
      <!--Required if default credentials are not set. This will
override default credential for given database target if provided -->
      <NamedCreds>
        <!--Monitoring named credential for database-->
        <AppsNamedCreds></AppsNamedCreds>
       <!-- Weblogic Admin named credential. Required for EBS Release
12.2 and above-->
        <WlsAdminNamedCreds></WlsAdminNamedCreds>
      </NamedCreds>
     <!--Customer Group Details-->
```

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<CustomerGroupDetails>
        <!--All targets discovered for this instance will be grouped
under this group. This group will be added to Group: Customer Group
Name . -->
        <GroupName></GroupName>
        <!--If the Customer Instance Group Name is provided, then all
the targets discovered for this instance and the Customer Instance Group
Name will be added to this group. -->
        <InstanceGroupName></InstanceGroupName>
      </CustomerGroupDetails>
      <!--Customization of specific EBS. Any combination of
customizations can occur here-->
      <DiscCustomization>
        <!--Disable/Enable creation of the Self-Service Applications
(SSA) Service. Possible values: {Y, N}, Default Value: Y-->
        <DiscoverSSA></DiscoverSSA>
        <!--To list all the hosts of an EBS-->
          <!-- Host details. It can have more than one occurrence in
case of multinode EBS. If a host is not customized, default
customizations will be applied-->
          <Host>
            <!--Name of the host-->
            <hostName></hostName>
            <!--Aliased hostname, needed only if the host name is
aliased-->
            <AliasedHost></AliasedHost>
            <!--Context level customization for application node-->
            <AppNodeCustomization>
              <!--Discovery of Forms. Possible values: {Y, N}, Default
              <DiscoverForms></DiscoverForms>
              <!--Discovery of JVM Usage. Possible values: {Y, N},
Default Value: Y.-->
              <DiscoverJVMUsage></DiscoverJVMUsage>
              <!--Exclude a node from being discovered . Possible
values: {Y, N}, Default Value: N.
                This element is not supported in default customization.
At least one application node must be selected for successful discovery.
Discovery can happen even if you do not select any database node. For
Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2, you cannot exclude a node if the
WebLogic Administration Server is running on that node. -->
              <ExcludeContext></ExcludeContext>
            </AppNodeCustomization>
          </Host>
        </Hosts>
      </DiscCustomization>
    </Database>
  </Databases>
</EBSDiscovery>
```

# **Known Product Limitations**

This appendix covers the following topics:

**Known Product Limitations** 

### **Known Product Limitations**

- Start and Stop features present in some of the Enterprise Manager console pages should NOT be used against individual Oracle E-Business Suite sub-targets. One example is starting and stopping the Oracle E-Business Suite database. While Oracle Enterprise Manager has no problems starting and stopping individual standalone product services, doing the same with Oracle E-Business Suite components will produce unexpected and inconsistent results. The one exception to this rule is that the Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite's administration feature can be used to start and stop the application tier service from the Enterprise Manager console.
- The only mechanisms for cloning an Oracle E-Business Suite system from within the Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control console are those provided in the cloning chapter of this guide. Alternatively, for more information on cloning, refer to the following Oracle E-Business Suite documents on My Oracle Support: Knowledge Document 230672.1, Cloning Oracle Applications Release 11i with Rapid Clone, and Knowledge Document 406982.1, Cloning Oracle Applications Release 12 with Rapid Clone.
- Altering the out-of-box cloning procedures is not supported. The "Create Like" feature is provided for customers to extend the cloning functionalities based on their own specific business needs.
- In discovery and monitoring, Oracle Application Management Pack for Oracle E-Business Suite does not support multiple Oracle E-Business Suite instances with the same name across different hosts on a given Oracle Management Server; that is, instances are differentiated only by the Oracle System Identifier (SID) and not the

#### CONTEXT\_NAME values.

- 5. Metric collection errors will be reported for the target type oracle\_apps\_jvm if the setup needed to monitor Applications JVM Usage is not done after discovery. To fix the issue, you can either set up the metric collection or disable the metric collection; see: Monitoring JVM Usage, page 8-27.
- 6. If you have changed your APPS password, you should change it for the plug-in in two places: for the named credentials and target monitoring properties (if the Monitoring Configuration has the password). After changing the password, wait at least 15 minutes for it to propagate to the targets.
- 7. While discovering customization, custom alerts will not get discovered if you have any alert defined with SQL\_STATEMENT\_TEXT of a length greater than 32K on the given Oracle E-Business Suite instance.
- 8. In a RAC-based Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2 instance, using any Online Patching feature such as patch deployment, cutover, or abort, results in the following error: "Weblogic admin server credential test returned: DB SID passed to getWeblogicDomainName is null."

To work around the problem, follow the below steps:

- Navigate to **Targets** from the Enterprise Manager console.
- From the list, choose "Oracle E-Business Suite."
- Select the instance by clicking on it.
- 4. From the instance target menu, choose Target Setup >Monitoring Configuration.
- Provide the SID value of the RAC database.
- Click **OK**.

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