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## CHAPTER 1

# System requirements and preinstallation instructions

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This chapter contains the requirements for the system and database resources that support Oracle GoldenGate.

## Overview of Oracle GoldenGate for MySQL

Oracle GoldenGate for MySQL supports replication from a MySQL source database to a MySQL target database or to a supported database of another type to perform an initial load or change data replication.

## Supported Platforms

To find out which Oracle GoldenGate builds are available for a specific combination of database version and operating system, log onto <http://support.oracle.com> and select the **Certifications** tab. For assistance, click **Tips for Finding Certifications**.

An e-mail and password are required to enter this site.

## Operating system requirements

### Memory requirements

The amount of memory that is required for Oracle GoldenGate depends on the number of concurrent processes that will be running. At minimum on the source system, there is a primary Extract process that captures source data and a secondary Extract data-pump process that transfers data across the network. At minimum on the target system is at least one Replicat process that applies the replicated data to the target database. In some cases, these processes might all operate on the same system, depending on the required configuration.

It is possible that you will need to use additional, parallel processes to improve throughput if your environment generates a large volume of transactional data that must be replicated. Oracle GoldenGate supports up to 5,000 concurrent Extract and Replicat processes per instance of Oracle GoldenGate. Each Extract and Replicat process needs approximately 25-55 MB of memory, or more depending on the size of the transactions and the number of concurrent transactions.

The actual amount of physical memory that is used by any Oracle GoldenGate process is controlled by the operating system, not the Oracle GoldenGate program. The Oracle GoldenGate cache manager takes advantage of the memory management functions of the operating system to ensure that Oracle GoldenGate processes work in a sustained and efficient manner. For more information about evaluating Oracle GoldenGate memory

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requirements, see the CACHEDIRECTORY parameter in the Oracle GoldenGate *Windows and UNIX Reference Guide*.

## Disk requirements

Assign the following free disk space:

- 50-150 MB, depending on the database and platform. This includes space for the compressed download file and space for the uncompressed files. You can delete the download file after the installation is complete.
- 40 MB for the working directories and binaries for each instance of Oracle GoldenGate that you are installing on the system. For example, to install two builds of Oracle GoldenGate into two separate directories, allocate 80 MB of space.
- To install Oracle GoldenGate into a cluster environment, install the Oracle GoldenGate binaries and files as the Oracle user on a shared file system that is available to all cluster nodes. See “Preparing to install Oracle GoldenGate within a cluster” on page 28 for more information.
- An additional 1 GB of disk space on any system that hosts Oracle GoldenGate trails, which are files that contain the working data. You may need more or less than this amount, because the space that is consumed by the trails depends on the volume of data that will be processed. See the guidelines for sizing trails in “Configuring online change synchronization” in the Oracle GoldenGate *Administration Guide*.

## Temporary disk requirements

By default, Oracle GoldenGate maintains data that it swaps to disk in the dirtmp sub-directory of the Oracle GoldenGate installation directory. The cache manager assumes that all of the free space on the file system is available. This directory can fill up quickly if there is a large transaction volume with large transaction sizes. To prevent I/O contention and possible disk-related Extract failures, dedicate a disk to this directory. You can assign a name to this directory with the CACHEDIRECTORY option of the CACHEDIRECTORY parameter.

## Network

- Configure the system to use TCP/IP services, including DNS. Oracle GoldenGate supports IPv4 and IPv6 and can operate in a system that supports one or both of these protocols.
- Configure the network with the host names or IP addresses of all systems that will be hosting Oracle GoldenGate processes and to which Oracle GoldenGate will be connecting. Host names are easier to use.
- Oracle GoldenGate requires some unreserved and unrestricted TCP/IP ports, the number of which depends on the number and types of processes in your configuration. See the Oracle GoldenGate *Windows and UNIX Administrator's Guide* for details on how to configure the Manager process to handle the required ports.
- Keep a record of the ports that you assigned to Oracle GoldenGate. You will specify them with parameters when configuring the Manager process.
- Configure your firewalls to accept connections through the Oracle GoldenGate ports.

## Operating system privileges

- To install on Windows, the person who installs Oracle GoldenGate must log in as Administrator.
- To install on UNIX, the person who installs Oracle GoldenGate must have read and write privileges on the Oracle GoldenGate installation directory.
- The Oracle GoldenGate Extract, Replicat, and Manager processes must operate as an operating system user that has privileges to read, write, and delete files and subdirectories in the Oracle GoldenGate directory. In addition, the Manager process requires privileges to control the other Oracle GoldenGate processes.
- Dedicate the Extract, Replicat, and Manager operating system users to Oracle GoldenGate. Sensitive information might be available to anyone who runs an Oracle GoldenGate process.

## Console

The operating system and the command console must have the same character sets. Mismatches occur on Microsoft Windows systems, where the operating system is set to one character set, but the DOS command prompt uses a different, older DOS character set. Oracle GoldenGate uses the character set of the operating system to send information to GGSCI command output; therefore a non-matching console character set causes characters not to display correctly. You can set the character set of the console before opening a GGSCI session by using the following DOS command:

```
chcp <OS character set>
```

If the characters do not display correctly after setting the code page, try changing the console font to Lucida Console, which has an extended character set.

## Other programs

- Before installing Oracle GoldenGate on a Windows system, install and configure the Microsoft Visual C++ 2005 SP1 Redistributable Package. **Make certain it is the SP1 version of this package, and make certain to get the correct bit version for your server.** This package installs runtime components of Visual C++ Libraries. For more information, and to download this package, go to <http://www.microsoft.com>.
- Oracle GoldenGate fully supports virtual machine environments created with any virtualization software on any platform. When installing Oracle GoldenGate into a virtual machine environment, select a build that matches the database and the operating system of the virtual machine, not the host system.

## Database requirements

### Database storage engine

- Oracle GoldenGate supports the InnoDB storage engine for a source MySQL database.

- To preserve transaction boundaries for a MySQL target, create or alter the target tables to the InnoDB transactional database engine instead of the MyISAM engine. MyISAM will cause Replicat records to be applied as they are received, which does not guarantee transaction integrity even with auto-commit turned off. You cannot roll back a transaction with MyISAM.
- On a target MySQL database, the Oracle GoldenGate Replicat process connects to the database through the MySQL native API.

### Database user for Oracle GoldenGate processes

- Create a database user that is dedicated to Oracle GoldenGate. It can be the same user for all of the Oracle GoldenGate processes that must connect to a database:
  - Extract (source database)
  - Replicat (target database)
  - DEFGEN (source or target database)
- To preserve the security of your data, and to monitor Oracle GoldenGate processing accurately, do not permit other users, applications, or processes to log on as, or operate as, the Oracle GoldenGate database user.
- Keep a record of the database users. They must be specified in the Oracle GoldenGate parameter files with the USERID parameter.
- The Oracle GoldenGate user requires read access to the INFORMATION\_SCHEMA database.
- The Oracle GoldenGate user requires the following user privileges.

**Table 1** Oracle GoldenGate database user privileges for MySQL

Privilege	Extract	Replicat
INSERT, UPDATE, DELETE on target tables		X
CREATE TABLE		X <sup>1</sup>
EXECUTE		X <sup>2</sup>
SELECT ANY TABLE or SELECT ON <database.table>	X	X

<sup>1</sup> If using the checkpoint table feature (recommended)

<sup>2</sup> To execute stored procedures

- To capture binary log events, an Administrator must provide the following privileges to the Extract user:
  - Read and Execute permissions for the directory where the MySQL configuration file (my.cnf) is located
  - Read permission for the MySQL configuration file (my.cnf)
  - Read and Execute permissions for the directory where the binary logs are located
  - Read and Execute permission for the tmp directory



## Supported MySQL data types

CHAR  
VARCHAR  
INT  
TINYINT  
SMALL INT  
MEDIUM INT  
BIG INT  
UINT64  
DECIMAL  
FLOAT  
DOUBLE  
DATE  
TIME  
YEAR  
DATETIME  
TIMESTAMP  
BINARY  
VARBINARY  
TEXT  
TINYTEXT  
MEDIUMTEXT  
LONGTEXT  
BLOB  
TINYBLOB  
MEDIUMBLOB  
LONGBLOB  
ENUM  
BIT(M)

### ***Limitations and clarifications***

- Oracle GoldenGate does not support BLOB or TEXT types when used as a primary key.
- Oracle GoldenGate supports UTF8 and UCS2 character sets. UTF8 data is converted to UTF16 by Oracle GoldenGate before writing it to the trail.
- UTF32 is not supported by Oracle GoldenGate.
- Oracle GoldenGate supports these data ranges for the following types:
  - BIG INT: 0 to 8899999999999999999
  - TIME: 00:00:00 to 23:59:59
- Oracle GoldenGate does not support negative dates.

- The support of range and precision for floating-point numbers depends on the host machine. In general, the precision is accurate to 16 significant digits, but you should review the database documentation to determine the expected approximations. Oracle GoldenGate rounds or truncates values that exceed the supported precision.
- To support a bit datatype, the bit column width must be a multiple of 8 (8, 16, 24, ...).

## Non-supported MySQL data types

GEOMETRY

SET

## Supported objects and operations for MySQL

- Oracle GoldenGate supports the extraction and replication of transactional tables.
- Oracle GoldenGate supports transactional tables up to the full row size and maximum number of columns that are supported by MySQL and the database storage engine that is being used. InnoDB supports up to 1000 columns.
- Oracle GoldenGate supports the AUTO\_INCREMENT column attribute. The increment value is captured from the binary log by Extract and applied to the target table in a Replicat insert operation.
- Oracle GoldenGate supports the following DML operations on source and target database transactional tables:
  - Start Transaction
  - Commit Transaction
  - Rollback Transaction (Note: MySQL does not send rolled-back transactions to the binary logs, but it does log the transaction rollback operation itself if the transaction included InnoDB.)
  - Insert operation
  - Update operation (compressed included)
  - Delete operation (compressed included)
  - Truncate operation
- Oracle GoldenGate supports the following initial load methods from a source MySQL database to a MySQL or other target database:
  - Loading data with Replicat
  - Loading data with an Oracle GoldenGate direct load
- Oracle GoldenGate can operate concurrently with MySQL native replication.
- Oracle GoldenGate supports the DYNSQL feature for MySQL.

## Non-supported objects and operations for MySQL

- Extraction or replication of DDL (data definition language) operations
- The Oracle GoldenGate BATCHSQL feature
- Array fetching during initial load.

## CHAPTER 2

# Installing Oracle GoldenGate

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These instructions are for installing Oracle GoldenGate for the first time. To upgrade Oracle GoldenGate from one version to another, follow the instructions on:

<http://www.oracle.com/technology/software/products/goldengate/index.html>

Installing Oracle GoldenGate installs all of the components that are required to run and manage the processing (excluding any components required from other vendors, such as drivers or libraries) and it installs the Oracle GoldenGate utilities.

The installation process takes a short amount of time.

## Installation overview

To install Oracle GoldenGate, the following steps are required:

[Downloading Oracle GoldenGate](#)

[Setting library paths for dynamic builds on UNIX](#)

[Preparing to install Oracle GoldenGate within a cluster](#)

[Installing Oracle GoldenGate on Linux and UNIX](#)

[Installing Oracle GoldenGate on Windows](#)

[Integrating Oracle GoldenGate into a cluster](#)

## Downloading Oracle GoldenGate

Download the appropriate Oracle GoldenGate build to each system that will be part of the Oracle GoldenGate configuration.

1. Navigate to <http://edelivery.oracle.com>.
2. On the **Welcome** page:
  - Select your language.
  - Click **Continue**.
3. On the **Export Validation** page:
  - Enter your identification information.
  - Accept the **Trial License Agreement** (even if you have a permanent license).
  - Accept the **Export Restrictions**.
  - Click **Continue**.
4. On the **Media Pack Search** page:
  - Select the **Oracle Fusion Middleware Product Pack**.

- Select the platform on which you will be installing the software.
  - Click **Go**.
5. In the **Results List**:
- Select the **Media Pack** that you want to download.
  - Click **Continue**.
6. On the **Download** page:
- Click **Download** for each component that you want. Follow the automatic download process to transfer the mediapack.zip file to your system.

**NOTE** Before installing the software, review the release notes for any new features, new requirements, or bug fixes that affect your current configuration. Review the readme file for known issues.

## Setting library paths for dynamic builds on UNIX

Oracle GoldenGate uses shared libraries. When you install Oracle GoldenGate on a UNIX system, the following must be done *before you run GGSCI or any other Oracle GoldenGate process*.

If you will be running an Oracle GoldenGate program from outside the Oracle GoldenGate installation directory on a UNIX system:

- (Optional) Add the Oracle GoldenGate installation directory to the `PATH` environment variable.
- (Required) Add the Oracle GoldenGate installation directory to the `shared-libraries` environment variable.

For example, given an Oracle GoldenGate installation directory of `/users/ogg`, the second command in the following example requires these variables to be set:

Command	Requires GG libraries in environment variable?
<code>\$ users/ogg &gt; ./ggsci</code>	No
<code>\$ users &gt; ./ogg/ggsci</code>	Yes

### To set the variables in Korn shell

```
PATH=<installation directory>:$PATH
export PATH
<shared libraries variable>=<absolute path of installation directory>:$<shared libraries variable>
export <shared libraries variable>
```

### To set the variables in Bourne shell

```
export PATH=<installation directory>:$PATH
export <shared libraries variable>=<absolute path of installation directory>:$<shared libraries variable>
```

**To set the variables in C shell**

```
setenv PATH <installation directory>:$PATH  
setenv <shared libraries variable> <absolute path of installation directory>:$<shared libraries variable>
```

**Where:** <shared libraries variable> is one of the following:

**UNIX/Linux library path variables per platform**

Platform <sup>1</sup>	Environment variable
IBM AIX	LIBPATH
IBM z/OS	
HP-UX	SHLIB_PATH
Sun Solaris	LD_LIBRARY_PATH <sup>2</sup>
HP Tru64 (OSF/1)	
LINUX	

<sup>1</sup> A specific platform may or may not be supported by Oracle GoldenGate for your database.

<sup>2</sup> In 64-bit environments with 32-bit Oracle databases, Oracle GoldenGate requires the LD\_LIBRARY\_PATH to include the 32-bit Oracle libraries.

**Example**     `export LD_LIBRARY_PATH=/ggs/10.0:$LD_LIBRARY_PATH`

**NOTE**     To view the libraries that are required by an Oracle GoldenGate process, use the `ldd <process>` shell command before starting the process. This command also shows an error message for any that are missing.

## Preparing to install Oracle GoldenGate within a cluster

This topic covers the installation requirements that apply when Oracle GoldenGate will be installed in a cluster environment. Oracle GoldenGate can be used with any cluster-management solution that is Oracle-certified.

### Deciding where to install Oracle GoldenGate binaries and files in the cluster

You will need to install at least some Oracle GoldenGate objects on shared storage. Select cluster-aware shared storage that is independent of, but available to, all nodes of the cluster.

The best practice is the install Oracle GoldenGate entirely on shared storage. This allows you to start the Oracle GoldenGate processes from any of the nodes without having to make changes to the parameter files. If the active node fails, the processes can be started quickly on another node, using the processing checkpoints that are preserved in the installation directory.

If you decide to install the Oracle GoldenGate binaries and files on each node, rather than on shared storage, the following must be true:

- The Oracle GoldenGate installation must have the same location path on every node
- At minimum, install the following directories on the shared storage to support Oracle GoldenGate recovery requirements. On UNIX or Linux, you can create symbolic links to them from the installation directory on each node.

- br
- dirchk
- dirdat
- dirtmp

These directories are among those created when you issue `CREATE SUBDIRS` during installation.

- The parameter files in the `dirprm` directory, if not placed on the shared drive, must be identical on all nodes. To resolve environment settings that must be different from one node to the other, you can set environment settings so they are inherited from the local Manager process or reference a node-specific Oracle GoldenGate macro file. Because this scenario can be difficult to enforce, the inherent concerns can be avoided by storing the parameter files on the shared drive.

See also “Integrating Oracle GoldenGate into a cluster” on page 13 after you install Oracle GoldenGate.

## Installing Oracle GoldenGate on Linux and UNIX

Follow these steps to install Oracle GoldenGate for Oracle on a Linux or UNIX system or in the appropriate location in a cluster. See “Preparing to install Oracle GoldenGate within a cluster” on page 9 for more information.

### Installing the Oracle GoldenGate files

1. Extract the Oracle GoldenGate `mediapack.zip` file to the system and directory where you want Oracle GoldenGate to be installed.
2. Run the command shell.
3. Change directories to the new Oracle GoldenGate directory.
4. From the Oracle GoldenGate directory, run the GGSCI program.

```
GGSCI
```

5. In GGSCI, issue the following command to create the Oracle GoldenGate working directories.

```
CREATE SUBDIRS
```

6. Issue the following command to exit GGSCI.

```
EXIT
```

## Installing Oracle GoldenGate on Windows

Follow these steps to install Oracle GoldenGate for Oracle on a Windows system or in the appropriate location in a cluster. See “Preparing to install Oracle GoldenGate within a cluster” on page 9 for more information.

### Installing Oracle GoldenGate into a Windows Cluster

1. Log into one of the nodes in the cluster.

2. Choose a drive for the Oracle GoldenGate installation location. This drive must be a resource within the same cluster group that contains the database instance.
3. Ensure that this cluster group is owned by the cluster node that you are logging into.
4. Install Oracle GoldenGate according to the following instructions.

## Installing the Oracle GoldenGate files

1. Unzip the downloaded file(s) by using WinZip or an equivalent compression product.
2. Move the files in binary mode to a folder on the drive where you want to install Oracle GoldenGate. **Do not** install Oracle GoldenGate into a folder that contains spaces in its name, even if the path is in quotes. For example:

C:\"Oracle GoldenGate" is not valid.

C:\Oracle\_GoldenGate is valid.

3. From the Oracle GoldenGate folder, run the GGSCI program.
4. In GGSCI, issue the following command to create the Oracle GoldenGate working directories.

```
CREATE SUBDIRS
```

5. Issue the following command to exit GGSCI.

```
EXIT
```

## Specifying a custom Manager name

You must specify a custom name for the Manager process if either of the following is true:

- You want to use a name for Manager other than the default of GGSMGR.
- There will be multiple Manager processes running as Windows services on this system. Each Manager on a system must have a unique name. Before proceeding further, note the names of any local Manager services.

### To specify a custom Manager name

1. From the directory that contains the Manager program, run GGSCI.
2. Issue the following command.

```
EDIT PARAMS ./GLOBALS
```

**NOTE** The ./ portion of this command must be used, because the GLOBALS file must reside at the root of the Oracle GoldenGate installation file.

3. In the file, add the following line, where <name> is a one-word name for the Manager service.

```
MGRSERVNAME <name>
```

4. Save the file. The file is saved automatically with the name GLOBALS, **without a file extension**. Do not move this file. It is used during installation of the Windows service and during data processing.

## Installing Manager as a Windows service

By default, Manager is not installed as a service and can be run by a local or domain account. However, when run this way, Manager will stop when the user logs out. When you install Manager as a service, you can operate it independently of user connections, and you can configure it to start manually or at system start-up.

Installing Manager as a service is required on a Windows Cluster, but optional otherwise.

### To install Manager as a Windows service

1. (Recommended) Log on as the system administrator.
2. Click **Start > Run**, and type `cmd` in the Run dialog box.
3. From the directory that contains the Manager program that you are installing as a service, run the `install` program with the following syntax:

```
install <option> [...]
```

**Where:** <option> is one of the following:

**Table 2** INSTALL options

Option	Description
ADDEVENTS	Adds Oracle GoldenGate events to the Windows Event Manager. By default, Oracle GoldenGate errors are generic. To produce more specific error content, copy the following files from the Oracle GoldenGate installation directory to the SYSTEM32 directory.  category.dll ggsmg.dll
ADDSERVICE	Adds Manager as a service with the name that is specified with the MGRSERVNAME parameter in the GLOBALS file, if one exists, or by the default of GGSMGR. ADDSERVICE configures the service to run as the Local System account, the standard for most Windows applications because the service can be run independently of user logins and password changes. To run Manager as a specific account, use the USER and PASSWORD options. <sup>1</sup>  The service is installed to start at system boot time (see AUTOSTART). To start it after installation, either reboot the system or start the service manually from the Services applet of the Control Panel.
AUTOSTART	Sets the service that is created with ADDSERVICE to start at system boot time. This is the default unless MANUALSTART is used.
MANUALSTART	Sets the service that is created with ADDSERVICE to start manually through GGSCI, a script, or the Services applet of the Control Panel. The default is AUTOSTART.
USER <name>	Specifies a domain user account that executes Manager. For <name>, include the domain name, a backward slash, and the user name, for example HEADQT\GGSMGR.  By default, the Manager service is installed to use the Local System account.



**Table 2**    **INSTALL options (continued)**

Option	Description
PASSWORD <password>	Specifies the password for the user that is specified with USER.

<sup>1</sup> A user account can be changed by selecting the Properties action from the Services applet of the Windows Control Panel.

4. (Windows Server 2008) If Windows User Account Control (UAC) is enabled, you are prompted to allow or deny the program access to the computer. Select **Allow** to enable the install program to run. This installs the Manager service with a local system account running with administrator privileges. No further UAC prompts will be encountered when running Manager if installed as a service.

**NOTE**    If Manager is not installed as a service, Oracle GoldenGate users will receive a UAC prompt to confirm the elevation of privileges for Manager when it is started from the GGSCI command prompt. Running other Oracle GoldenGate programs also triggers a prompt.

## Integrating Oracle GoldenGate into a cluster

If you installed Oracle GoldenGate in a cluster, take the following steps to integrate Oracle GoldenGate within the cluster solution.

### General requirements in a cluster

1. Register the Oracle GoldenGate Manager process (and only Manager) as a cluster-managed resource as you would any other application. Manager must be the only Oracle GoldenGate process that the cluster-management software starts and stops, because it is the parent process that manages all other processes.
2. If the cluster uses a virtual IP address, you may need to obtain an available fixed IP address for the Manager process. The VIP must be an available IP address on the public subnet and cannot be determined through DHCP. In the parameter files of the Extract data pumps, specify the VIP of the remote Manager as the input value of the RMTHOST parameter. Other Oracle GoldenGate products that access Manager also should use the VIP.
3. Make certain that all nodes in the cluster have synchronized system clocks. The clocks must be synchronized with the clock on the system where Extract is executed. Oracle GoldenGate compares the time of the local system to the commit timestamps to make critical decisions. For information about synchronizing system clocks, consult [www.ntp.org](http://www.ntp.org) or your systems administrator.
4. When you configure Manager, add the AUTOSTART and AUTORESTART parameters so that Manager starts the replication processes automatically (see “Creating the Oracle GoldenGate instance” on page 46). You can, when needed, control Extract, Replicat, and other Oracle GoldenGate processes from within the Oracle GoldenGate user interfaces.
5. Mount the shared drive on one node only. This prevents processes from being started on another node. Use the same mount point on all nodes.

6. Configure Oracle GoldenGate as directed in this documentation.

### **Adding Oracle GoldenGate as a Windows cluster resource**

When installing Oracle GoldenGate in a Windows cluster, follow these instructions to establish Oracle GoldenGate as a cluster resource and configure the Manager service correctly on all nodes.

- In the cluster administrator, add the Manager process to the group that contains the database instance to which Oracle GoldenGate will connect.
- Make sure all nodes on which Oracle GoldenGate will run are selected as possible owners of the resource.
- Make certain the Manager Windows service has the following dependencies (configurable from the Services control panel):
  - The database resource
  - The disk resource that contains the Oracle GoldenGate directory
  - The disk resource that contains the database transaction log files
  - The disk resource that contains the database transaction log backup files

## CHAPTER 3

# Preparing the system for Oracle GoldenGate

## Ensuring data availability

Retain enough binary log data so that if you stop Extract or there is an unplanned outage, Extract can start again from its checkpoints. Extract must have access to the binary log that contains the start of the oldest uncommitted unit of work, and all binary logs thereafter. The recommended retention period is at least 24 hours worth of transaction data, including both active and archived information. You might need to do some testing to determine the best retention time given your data volume and business requirements.

If data that Extract needs during processing was not retained, either in active or backup logs, one of the following corrective actions might be required:

- alter Extract to capture from a later point in time for which binary log data is available (and accept possible data loss on the target).
- resynchronize the source and target tables, and then start the Oracle GoldenGate environment over again.

To determine where the Extract checkpoints are, use the `INFO EXTRACT` command. For more information, see the Oracle GoldenGate *Windows and UNIX Reference Guide*.

## Setting logging parameters

To capture from the MySQL transaction logs, the Oracle GoldenGate Extract process must be able to find them and determine their format. Extract checks the following parameter settings to get this information:

1. Extract `TRANLOGOPTIONS` parameter with the `ALTLOGDEST` option: If this parameter specifies a location for the log index file, Extract accepts this location over any default that is specified in the MySQL Server configuration file. When `ALTLOGDEST` is used, the binary log files must also be stored in the specified directory. This parameter should be used only if the MySQL configuration file does not specify the full path name, specifies an incorrect location, or if there are multiple installations of MySQL on the same machine.
2. The MySQL Server configuration file: The configuration file stores default startup options for the MySQL server and clients. On Windows, the name of the configuration file is `my.ini`. On other platforms, it is `my.conf`. In the absence of `TRANLOGOPTIONS` with `ALTLOGDEST`, Extract gets information about the location of the log files from the configuration file; however, even with `ALTLOGDEST`, certain parameters are important for Extract and must be set correctly:
  - `log-bin`: This parameter specifies the location of the binary logs and is a required parameter for Oracle GoldenGate, even if `ALTLOGDEST` is used. If it is not set, Extract returns an error.

- log-bin-index: This parameter specifies the location of the binary log index. If it is not used, Extract assumes that the index file is in the same location as the log files. If this parameter is used and specifies a different directory from the one that contains the binary logs, the binary logs must not be moved once Extract is started.
- max\_binlog\_size: This parameter specifies the size, in bytes, of the binary log file. The minimum value should be 4096.

**NOTE** The server creates a new binary log file automatically when the size of the current log reaches the max\_binlog\_size value, unless it must finish recording a transaction before rolling over to a new file.

- binlog\_format: This parameter sets the format of the logs. It must be set to the value of ROW, which directs the database to log DML statements in binary format. Any other log format (MIXED or STATEMENT) causes Extract to abend.

**NOTE** MySQL binary logging does not allow logging to be enabled or disabled for specific tables. It applies globally to all tables in the database.

To locate the configuration file, Extract checks the MYSQL\_HOME environment variable: If MYSQL\_HOME is set, Extract uses the configuration file in the specified directory. If MYSQL\_HOME is not set, Extract queries the information\_schema.global\_variables table to determine the MySQL installation directory. If a configuration file exists in that directory, Extract uses it.

## Adding host names

Oracle GoldenGate gets the name of the database it is supposed to connect to from the SOURCEDB parameter. A successful connection depends on the localhost entry being properly configured in the system host file. To avoid issues that arise from improper local host configuration, you can use SOURCEDB in the following format:

```
SOURCEDB <database_name>@<host_name>)
```

**Where:** <database\_name> is the name of the MySQL instance, and <host\_name> is the name or IP address of the local host. If using an unqualified host name, that name must be properly configured in the DNS database. Otherwise, use the fully qualified host name, for example myhost.company.com.

## Setting the session character set

The Extract and Replicat processes use a session character set when connecting to the database. For MySQL, the session character set is taken from the SESSIONCHARSET option of SOURCEDB and TARGETDB, or from the SESSIONCHARSET parameter set globally in the GLOBALS file. Make certain you specify a session character set in one of these ways when you configure Oracle GoldenGate.

Currently Oracle GoldenGate does not provide a facility to specify the database-specific character set with SESSIONCHARSET in the parameter files. Instead, you must specify the Oracle GoldenGate name that corresponds to the MySQL database character set. For a list of character sets and the corresponding Oracle GoldenGate names, see the appendix section of the Oracle GoldenGate *Windows and UNIX Administrator's Guide*.

## Configuring bi-directional replication

1. Configure Oracle GoldenGate for high availability or active-active replication according to the instructions in the Oracle GoldenGate *Windows and UNIX Administrator's Guide*.
2. To properly filter out Replicat operations in a bi-directional configuration, so that the applied operations are not captured and looped back to the source again, take the following steps on each MySQL database:
  - Configure each Replicat process to use a checkpoint table. Replicat writes a checkpoint to this table at the end of each transaction. You can use one global checkpoint table or one per Replicat process. See the Oracle GoldenGate *Windows and UNIX Administrator's Guide*.
  - Specify the name of the checkpoint table with the `FILTERTABLE <table>` option of the `TRANLOGOPTIONS` parameter in the Extract parameter file. The Extract process will ignore transactions that end with an operation to this table (Replicat operations).

**NOTE** Although optional for other supported databases as a means of enhancing recovery, the use of a checkpoint table is required for MySQL when using bi-directional replication (and likewise, will enhance recovery).

3. Edit the MySQL server configuration file to set the `auto_increment_increment` and `auto_increment_offset` parameters to avoid discrepancies that could be caused by the bi-directional operations. The following illustrates these parameters, assuming two servers: ServerA and ServerB.

ServerA:

```
auto-increment-increment = 2  
auto-increment-offset = 1
```

ServerB:

```
auto-increment-increment = 2  
auto-increment-offset = 2
```

## Other Oracle GoldenGate parameters for MySQL

The following parameters may be of use in MySQL installations, and might be required if non-default settings are used for the MySQL database. Other Oracle GoldenGate parameters will be required in addition to these, depending on your intended business use and configuration.

### **DBOPTIONS with CONNECTIONPORT**

Specifies the TCP/IP connection port of a MySQL instance to which Replicat must connect, if not set to the MySQL default of 3306.

### **DBOPTIONS with HOST <host id>**

Specifies the DNS name or IP address of a target MySQL instance to which Replicat must connect.

### **DBOPTIONS with ALLOWLOBDATATRUNCATE**

Prevents Replicat from abending when replicated LOB data is too large for a target MySQL

CHAR, VARCHAR, BINARY or VARBINARY column.

**USERID with PASSWORD**

Specifies the user name and password for all Oracle GoldenGate processes that connect to a MySQL database.

**SOLEXEC**

To bypass the MySQL connection timeout, configure the following command in a SOLEXEC statement in the Replicat parameter file.

```
SOLEXEC "select CURRENT_TIME();" EVERY <n> MINUTES
```

**Where:** <n> is the maximum interval after which you want Replicat to reconnect. The recommended connection timeouts are 2147483 seconds (25 days) for Windows and 31536000 seconds (365 days) for UNIX and Linux.

For more information about Oracle GoldenGate parameters, see the *Windows and UNIX Reference Guide*.

For more information about how to configure Oracle GoldenGate to meet your business needs, see the Oracle GoldenGate *Windows and UNIX Administrator's Guide*.

## Preparing tables for processing

### Assigning row identifiers

Oracle GoldenGate requires some form of unique row identifier on the source and target tables to locate the correct target rows for replicated updates and deletes.

#### *How Oracle GoldenGate determines the kind of row identifier to use*

Unless a KEYCOLS clause is used in the TABLE or MAP statement, Oracle GoldenGate selects a row identifier to use in the following order of priority:

1. Primary key
2. First unique key alphanumerically that does not contain a timestamp or non-materialized computed column
3. If none of the preceding key types exist (even though there might be other types of keys defined on the table) Oracle GoldenGate constructs a pseudo key of all columns that the database allows to be used in a unique key, excluding those that are not supported by Oracle GoldenGate in a key or those that are excluded from the Oracle GoldenGate configuration.

**NOTE** If there are other, non-usable keys on a table or if there are no keys at all on the table, Oracle GoldenGate logs an appropriate message to the report file. Constructing a key from all of the columns impedes the performance of Oracle GoldenGate on the source system. On the target, this key causes Replicat to use a larger, less efficient WHERE clause.

#### *Tables with a primary key derived from a unique index*

In the absence of a primary key on a table, MySQL will promote a unique index to primary key if the indexed column is NOT NULL. If there are more than one of these not-null indexes,

the first one that was created becomes the primary key. To avoid Replicat errors, create these indexes in the same order on the source and target tables.

For example, assume that source and target tables named `ggvam.emp` each have columns named `first`, `middle`, and `last`, and all are defined as `NOT NULL`. If you create unique indexes in the following order, Oracle GoldenGate will abend on the target because the table definitions do not match.

Source:

```
mysql> create unique index uq1 on ggvam.emp(first);  
mysql> create unique index uq2 on ggvam.emp(middle);  
mysql> create unique index uq3 on ggvam.emp(last);
```

Target:

```
mysql> create unique index uq1 on ggvam.emp(last);  
mysql> create unique index uq2 on ggvam.emp(first);  
mysql> create unique index uq3 on ggvam.emp(middle);
```

The result of this sequence is that MySQL promotes the index on the source “first” column to primary key, and it promotes the index on the target “last” column to primary key. Oracle GoldenGate will select the primary keys as identifiers when it builds its metadata record, and the metadata will not match. To avoid this error, decide which column you want to promote to primary key, and create that index first on the source and target.

#### ***How to specify your own key for Oracle GoldenGate to use***

If a table does not have one of the preceding types of row identifiers, or if you prefer those identifiers not to be used, you can define a substitute key if the table has columns that always contain unique values. You define this substitute key by including a `KEYCOLS` clause within the `Extract TABLE` parameter and the `Replicat MAP` parameter. The specified key will override any existing primary or unique key that Oracle GoldenGate finds.

### **Limiting row changes in tables that do not have a key**

If a target table does not have a primary key or a unique key, duplicate rows can exist. In this case, Oracle GoldenGate could update or delete too many target rows, causing the source and target data to go out of synchronization without error messages to alert you. To limit the number of rows that are updated, use the `DBOPTIONS` parameter with the `LIMITROWS` option in the `Replicat` parameter file. `LIMITROWS` can increase the performance of Oracle GoldenGate on the target system because only one row is processed.

### **Disabling triggers and cascade constraints**

Disable triggers, cascade delete constraints, and cascade update constraints on the target tables, or alter them to ignore changes made by the Oracle GoldenGate database user. Oracle GoldenGate replicates DML that results from a trigger or cascade constraint. If the same trigger or constraint gets activated on the target table, it becomes redundant because of the replicated version, and the database returns an error. Consider the following example, where the source tables are “`emp_src`” and “`salary_src`” and the target tables are “`emp_targ`” and “`salary_targ`.”

1. A delete is issued for `emp_src`.

2. It cascades a delete to salary\_src.
3. Oracle GoldenGate sends both deletes to the target.
4. The parent delete arrives first and is applied to emp\_targ.
5. The parent delete cascades a delete to salary\_targ.
6. The cascaded delete from salary\_src is applied to salary\_targ.

The row cannot be located because it was already deleted in step 5.

## Positioning Extract to a specific start point

You can position the ADD EXTRACT and ALTER EXTRACT commands to a specific start point in the transaction logs with the following command.

```
{ADD | ALTER EXTRACT} <group>, VAM, LOGNUM <log_num>, LOGPOS <log_pos>
```

- <group> is the name of the Oracle GoldenGate Extract group for which the start position is required.
- <log\_num> is the log file number. For example, if the required log file name is test.000034, this value would be 34. Extract will search for this log file.
- <log\_pos> is an *event offset value* within the log file that identifies a specific transaction record. Event offset values are stored in the header section of a log record.

In MySQL logs, an event offset value can be unique only within a given binary file. The combination of the position value and a log number will uniquely identify a transaction record. Transactional records available after this position within the specified log will be captured by Extract.



## CHAPTER 4

# Uninstalling Oracle GoldenGate

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This procedure assumes that you no longer need the data in the Oracle GoldenGate trails, and that you no longer need to preserve the current Oracle GoldenGate environment. To preserve your current environment and data, make a backup of the Oracle GoldenGate directory and all subdirectories before starting this procedure.

## Uninstalling Oracle GoldenGate from Linux or UNIX

On all systems:

1. Run the command shell.
2. (Suggested) Log on as the system administrator or as a user with permission to issue Oracle GoldenGate commands and delete files and directories from the operating system.
3. Change directories to the Oracle GoldenGate installation directory.
4. Run GGSCI.
5. Stop all Oracle GoldenGate processes.
6. Stop the Manager process.

On a source system:

7. (Optional) Disable binary logging.

On any system where a Replicat checkpoint table is being used:

8. Log into the database with the DBLOGIN command, and then remove the Replicat checkpoint table by running the DELETE CHECKPOINTTABLE command.

On all systems:

9. Make certain all processes are stopped (including GGSCI).
10. Remove the Oracle GoldenGate files by removing the installation directory.

## Removing Oracle GoldenGate from Windows Cluster

1. Working from the node in the cluster that owns the cluster group that contains the Manager resource, run GGSCI and then stop any Extract and Replicat processes that are still running.
2. Use the Cluster Administrator tool to take the Manager resource offline.
3. Right click the resource and select Delete to remove it.
4. Click Start > Run, and type cmd in the Run dialog box to open the command console.
5. Change directories to the Oracle GoldenGate installation directory.

6. Run the install program using the following syntax.

```
install deleteevents deleteservice
```

This command stops Oracle GoldenGate events from being reported to the Windows Event Manager and removes the Manager service.

7. Delete the CATEGORY.DLL and GGSMSG.DLL files from the Windows SYSTEM32 folder.
8. Move the cluster group to the next node in the cluster, and repeat from step 4.
9. Follow the instructions in “Uninstalling Oracle GoldenGate from Windows (non-cluster)”.

## Uninstalling Oracle GoldenGate from Windows (non-cluster)

**On all systems:**

1. (Suggested) Log on as the system administrator or as a user with permission to issue Oracle GoldenGate commands and to delete files and directories from the operating system.
2. From the Oracle GoldenGate installation folder, run GGSCI.
3. Stop all Oracle GoldenGate processes.
4. Stop the Manager program or service.

**NOTE** Skip step 5 through step 8 if you already performed them when removing Oracle GoldenGate from a Windows cluster.

5. Click **Start > Run**, and type `cmd` in the **Run** dialog box to open the command console.
6. Change directories to the Oracle GoldenGate installation directory.
7. Run the install program using the following syntax.

```
install deleteevents deleteservice
```

This command stops Oracle GoldenGate events from being reported to the Windows Event Manager and removes the Manager service.

8. Delete the CATEGORY.DLL and GGSMSG.DLL files from the Windows SYSTEM32 folder.

**On a source system:**

9. (Optional) Disable binary logging.

**On any system where a Replicat checkpoint table is being used:**

10. Log into the database with the `DBLOGIN` command, and then remove the Replicat checkpoint table by running the `DELETE CHECKPOINTTABLE` command.

**On all systems:**

11. Make certain all processes are stopped (including GGSCI) and then remove the Oracle GoldenGate files by removing the installation directory.

## APPENDIX 1

# Oracle GoldenGate installed components

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This appendix describes the programs, directories, and other components created or used by the Oracle GoldenGate software in the Oracle GoldenGate installation directory. Additional files not listed here might be installed on certain platforms. Files listed here might not be installed on every platform.

## Oracle GoldenGate Programs and Utilities

This section describes programs installed in the root Oracle GoldenGate installation directory.

**NOTE** Some programs may not exist in all installations. For example, if only capture or delivery is supported by Oracle GoldenGate for your platform, the extract or replicat program will not be installed, respectively. Likewise, special files might be installed to support a specific database.

**Table 3** Programs and utilities

Program	Description
cobgen	Generates source definitions based on COBOL layouts. Used for Oracle GoldenGate for Datawise on Stratus.
convchk	Converts checkpoint files to a newer version.
ddlcob	Generates target DDL table creation statements based on COBOL layouts. Used for Oracle GoldenGate for Datawise on Stratus.
ddlgen	Generates target database table definitions based on source database DDL. Used primarily on the NonStop platform.
defgen	Generates data definitions and is referenced by Oracle GoldenGate processes when source and target tables have dissimilar definitions.
emscInt	Sends event messages created by Collector and Replicat on Windows or UNIX systems to EMS on NonStop systems.
extract	Performs capture from database tables or transaction logs or receives transaction data from a vendor access module.
ggmxinStall	Oracle GoldenGate installation script for the SQL/MX database.
ggsci	User interface to Oracle GoldenGate for issuing commands and managing parameter files.

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**Table 3 Programs and utilities (continued)**

Program	Description
ggsmgr.jcl ggsmgr.proc ggsmgrst.jcl ggsmgrst.proc	Start the Oracle GoldenGate Manager process from a batch job or the operator console on a z/OS system. Installed to support DB2 z/OS databases.
install	Installs Oracle GoldenGate as a Windows service and provides other Windows-based service options.
keygen	Generates data-encryption keys.
logdump	A utility for viewing and saving information stored in extract trails or files.
mgr	(Manager) Control process for resource management, control and monitoring of Oracle GoldenGate processes, reporting, and routing of requests through the GGSCI interface.
replicat	Applies data to target database tables.
reverse	A utility that reverses the order of transactional operations, so that Replicat can be used to back out changes from target tables, restoring them to a previous state.
server	The Collector process, an Extract TCP/IP server collector that writes data to remote trails.
vamserv	Started by Extract to read the TMF audit trails generated by TMF-enabled applications. Installed to support the NonStop SQL/MX database.

## Oracle GoldenGate subdirectories

This section describes the subdirectories of the Oracle GoldenGate installation directory and their contents.

**NOTE** Some directories may not exist in all installations.

**Table 4 Subdirectories**

Directory	Description
br	Contains the checkpoint files for the bounded recover feature.
cfg	Contains the property and xml files that are used to configure Oracle GoldenGate Monitor.
dirdb	Contains the datastore that is used to persist information that is gathered from an Oracle GoldenGate instance for use by the Oracle GoldenGate Monitor application or within Oracle Enterprise Manager.

**Table 4 Subdirectories (continued)**

Directory	Description
dirchk	<p>Contains the checkpoint files created by Extract and Replicat processes, which store current read and write positions to support data accuracy and fault tolerance. Written in internal Oracle GoldenGate format.</p> <p>File name format is &lt;group name&gt;&lt;sequence number&gt;.&lt;ext&gt; where &lt;sequence number&gt; is a sequential number appended to aged files and &lt;ext&gt; is either cpe for Extract checkpoint files or cpr for Replicat checkpoint files.</p> <p>Do not edit these files.</p> <p>Examples: ext1.cpe rep1.cpr</p>
dirdat	<p>The default location for Oracle GoldenGate trail files and extract files that are created by Extract processes to store extracted data for further processing by the Replicat process or another application or utility. Written in internal Oracle GoldenGate format.</p> <p>File name format is a user-defined two-character prefix followed by either a six-digit sequence number (trail files) or the user-defined name of the associated Extract process group (extract files).</p> <p>Do not edit these files.</p> <p>Examples: rt000001 finance</p>
dirdef	<p>The default location for data definitions files created by the DEFGEN utility to contain source or target data definitions used in a heterogeneous synchronization environment. Written in external ASCII. File name format is a user-defined name specified in the DEFGEN parameter file.</p> <p>These files may be edited to add definitions for newly created tables. If you are unsure of how to edit a definitions file, contact Oracle GoldenGate technical support.</p> <p>Example: defs.dat</p>
dirjar	<p>Contains the Java executable files that support Oracle GoldenGate Monitor.</p>
dirout	<p>This directory is not used any more.</p>

**Table 4 Subdirectories (continued)**

Directory	Description
dirpcs	<p>Default location for status files. File name format is &lt;group&gt;.&lt;extension&gt; where &lt;group&gt; is the name of the group and &lt;extension&gt; is either pce (Extract), pcr (Replicat), or pcm (Manager).</p> <p>These files are only created while a process is running. The file shows the program name, the process name, the port number, and the process ID.</p> <p>Do not edit these files.</p> <p>Examples: mgr.pcm ext.pce</p>
dirprm	<p>The default location for Oracle GoldenGate parameter files created by Oracle GoldenGate users to store run-time parameters for Oracle GoldenGate process groups or utilities. Written in external ASCII format. File name format is &lt;group name/user-defined name&gt;.prm or mgr.prm.</p> <p>These files may be edited to change Oracle GoldenGate parameter values after stopping the process. They can be edited directly from a text editor or by using the EDIT PARAMS command in GGSCI.</p> <p>Examples: defgen.prm finance.prm</p>
dirrec	<p>Not used by Oracle GoldenGate.</p>
dirrpt	<p>The default location for process report files created by Extract, Replicat, and Manager processes to report statistical information relating to a processing run. Written in external ASCII format.</p> <p>File name format is &lt;group name&gt;&lt;sequence number&gt;.rpt where &lt;sequence number&gt; is a sequential number appended to aged files.</p> <p>Do not edit these files.</p> <p>Examples: fin2.rpt mgr4.rpt</p>
dirsql	<p>Used by the TRIGGEN utility to store SQL scripts before TRIGGEN was deprecated. Currently used to store training scripts and any user-created SQL scripts that support Oracle GoldenGate.</p>
dirtmp	<p>The default location for storing transaction data when the size exceeds the memory size that is allocated for the cache manager. Do not edit these files.</p>
dirwlt	<p>Contains the Oracle Wallet that supports Oracle GoldenGate Monitor. This directory is not installed until the utility that creates the wallet is run.</p>
UserExitExamples	<p>Contains sample files to help with the creation of user exits.</p>

## Other Oracle GoldenGate files

This section describes other files, templates, and objects created or installed in the root Oracle GoldenGate installation directory.

**NOTE** Some files may not be installed in your environment, depending on the database and OS platform.

**Table 5 Other files**

Component	Description
bcpfmt.tpl	Template for use with Replicat when creating a run file for the Microsoft BCP/DTS bulk-load utility.
bcrypt.txt	Blowfish encryption software license agreement.
cagent.dll	Contains the Windows dynamic link library for the Oracle GoldenGate Monitor C sub-agent.
category.dll	Windows dynamic link library used by the INSTALL program.
chkpt_<db>_create.sql	Script that creates a checkpoint table in the local database. A different script is installed for each database type.
db2cntl.tpl	Template for use with Replicat when creating a control file for the IBM LOADUTIL bulk-load utility.
ddl_access.tpl	Template used by the DDLGEN utility to convert source DDL to Microsoft Access DDL.
ddl_cleartrace.sql	Script that removes the DDL trace file. (Oracle installations)
ddl_db2.tpl	Template used by the DDLGEN utility to convert source DDL to DB2 DDL (Linux, UNIX, Windows).
ddl_db2_os390.tpl	Template used by the DDLGEN utility to convert source DDL to DB2 DDL (z/OS systems).
ddl_ddl2file.sql	Script that saves DDL from the marker table to a file.
ddl_disable.sql	Script that disables the Oracle GoldenGate DDL trigger. (Oracle installations)
ddl_enable.sql	Script that enables the Oracle GoldenGate DDL trigger. (Oracle installations)
ddl_filter.sql	Script that supports filtering of DDL by Oracle GoldenGate. This script runs programmatically; do not run it manually.
ddl_informix.tpl	Template used by the DDLGEN utility to convert source DDL to Informix DDL.

**Table 5 Other files (continued)**

Component	Description
ddl_mss.tpl	Template used by the DDLGEN utility to convert source DDL to SQL Server DDL.
ddl_mysql.tpl	Template used by the DDLGEN utility to convert source DDL to MySQL DDL.
ddl_nopurgeRecyclebin.sql	Empty script file for use by Oracle GoldenGate support staff.
ddl_nssql.tpl	Template used by the DDLGEN utility to convert source DDL to NonStop SQL DDL.
ddl_ora9.sql ddl_ora10.sql ddl_ora11.sql ddl_ora10upCommon.sql	Scripts that run programmatically as part of Oracle GoldenGate DDL support; do not run these scripts.
ddl_oracle.tpl	Template used by the DDLGEN utility to convert source DDL to Oracle DDL.
ddl_pin.sql	Script that pins DDL tracing, the DDL package, and the DDL trigger for performance improvements. (Oracle installations)
ddl_purgeRecyclebin.sql	Script that purges the Oracle recyclebin in support of the DDL replication feature.
ddl_remove.sql	Script that removes the DDL extraction trigger and package. (Oracle installations)
ddl_session.sql ddl_session1.sql	Supports the installation of the Oracle DDL objects. This script runs programmatically; do not run it manually.
ddl_setup.sql	Script that installs the Oracle GoldenGate DDL extraction and replication objects. (Oracle installations)
ddl_sqlmx.tpl	Template used by the DDLGEN utility to convert Tandem Enscribe DDL to NonStop SQL/MX DDL.
ddl_status.sql	Script that verifies whether or not each object created by the Oracle GoldenGate DDL support feature exists and is functioning properly. (Oracle installations)
ddl_staymetadata_off.sql ddl_staymetadata_on.sql	Scripts that control whether the Oracle DDL trigger collects metadata. This script runs programmatically; do not run it manually.
ddl_sybase.tpl	Template used by the DDLGEN utility to convert source DDL to Sybase DDL.



**Table 5 Other files (continued)**

Component	Description
ddl_tandem.tpl	Template used by the DDLGEN utility to convert source DDL to NonStop SQL DDL.
ddl_trace_off.sql ddl_trace_on.sql	Scripts that control whether DDL tracing is on or off.
ddl_tracelevel.sql	Script that sets the level of tracing for the DDL support feature. (Oracle installations)
debug files	Debug text files that may be present if tracing was turned on.
demo_<db>_create.sql demo_more_<db>_create.sql demo_<db>_insert.sql demo_more_<db>_insert.sql demo_<db>_lob_create.sql demo_<db>_misc.sql	Scripts that create and populate demonstration tables for use with tutorials and basic testing.
.dmp files	Dump files created by Oracle GoldenGate processes for tracing purposes.
ENCKEYS	User-created file that stores encryption keys. Written in external ASCII format.
exitdemo.c	User exit example.
exitdemo_utf16.c	User exit example that demonstrates how to use UTF16 encoded data in the callback structures for information exchanged between the user exit and the process.
freeBSD.txt	License agreement for FreeBSD.
ggmessage.dat	Data file that contains error, informational, and warning messages that are returned by the Oracle GoldenGate processes. The version of this file is checked upon process startup and must be identical to that of the process in order for the process to operate.
ggserr.log	File that logs processing events, messages, errors, and warnings generated by Oracle GoldenGate.
ggsmsg.dll	Windows dynamic link library used by the INSTALL program.
GLOBALS	User-created file that stores parameters applying to the Oracle GoldenGate instance as a whole.
help.txt	Help file for the GGSCI command interface.

**Table 5 Other files (continued)**

Component	Description
icudt38.dll icuin38.dll icuuc38.dll	Windows shared libraries for International Components for Unicode.
jagent.bat	Windows batch file for the Java Agent for Oracle GoldenGate Monitor.
jagent.log jagentjni.log	Log files for the Oracle GoldenGate Monitor Agent.
jagent.sh	UNIX shell script for the Java Agent for Oracle GoldenGate Monitor
LGPL.txt	Lesser General Public License statement. Applies to free libraries from the Free Software Foundation.
libxml2.dll	Windows dynamic link library containing the XML library for the Oracle GoldenGate XML procedures.
libxml2.txt	License agreement for libxml2.dll.
marker.hist	File created by Replicat if markers were passed from a NonStop source system.
marker_remove.sql	Script that removes the DDL marker table. (Oracle installations)
marker_setup.sql	Script that installs the Oracle GoldenGate DDL marker table. (Oracle installations)
marker_status.sql	Script that confirms successful installation of the DDL marker table. (Oracle installations)
notices.txt	Third-party software license file.
params.sql	Script that contains configurable parameters for DDL support. (Oracle installations)
pthread-win32.txt	License agreement for pthread-VC.dll.
pthread-VC.dll	POSIX threads library for Microsoft Windows.
prvtckm.plb	Supports the replication of Oracle encrypted data.
pw_agent_util.bat pw_agent_util.sh	Script files that support the Oracle GoldenGate Monitor Agent.
role_setup.sql	Script that creates the database role necessary for Oracle GoldenGate DDL support. (Oracle installations)

**Table 5 Other files (continued)**

Component	Description
sqlldr.tpl	Template for use with Replicat when creating a control file for the Oracle SQL*Loader bulk-load utility.
start.prm stop.prm	z/OS paramlib members to start and stop the Manager process.
startmgr stopmgr	z/OS Unix System Services scripts to start the Manager process from GGSCI.
startmgrcom stopmgrcom	z/OS system input command for the Manager process.
tcperrs	File containing user-defined instructions for responding to TCP/IP errors.
usrdecs.h	Include file for user exit API.
xerces-c_2_8.dll	Apache XML parser library.
zlib.txt	License agreement for zlib compression library.

## Oracle GoldenGate checkpoint table

When database checkpoints are being used, Oracle GoldenGate creates a checkpoint table with a user-defined name in the database upon execution of the ADD CHECKPOINTTABLE command, or a user can create the table by using the chkpt\_<db>\_create.sql script, where <db> is the type of database.

Do not change the names or attributes of the columns in this table. You can change table storage attributes as needed.

**Table 6 Checkpoint table definitions**

Column	Description
GROUP_NAME (primary key)	The name of a Replicat group using this table for checkpoints. There can be multiple Replicat groups using the same table.
GROUP_KEY (primary key)	A unique identifier that, together with GROUPNAME, uniquely identifies a checkpoint regardless of how many Replicat groups are writing to the same table.
SEQNO	The sequence number of the checkpoint file.
RBA	The relative byte address of the checkpoint in the file.

**Table 6 Checkpoint table definitions**

Column	Description
AUDIT_TS	The timestamp of the checkpoint position in the checkpoint file.
CREATE_TS	The date and time when the checkpoint table was created.
LAST_UPDATE_TS	The date and time when the checkpoint table was last updated.
CURRENT_DIR	The current Oracle GoldenGate home directory or folder.

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