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Oracle Data Safe und CMU

Sichere Verwaltung von Datenbankbenutzern im großen Maßstab

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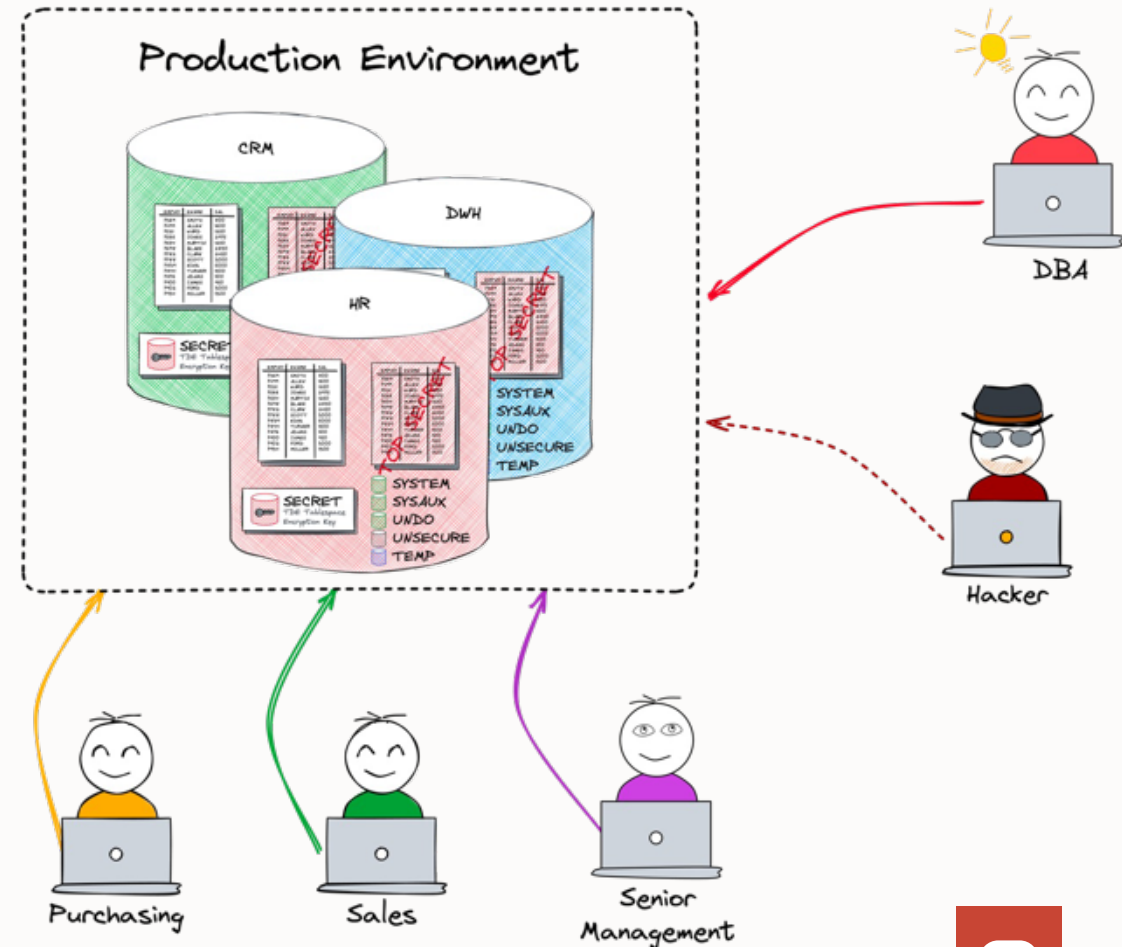
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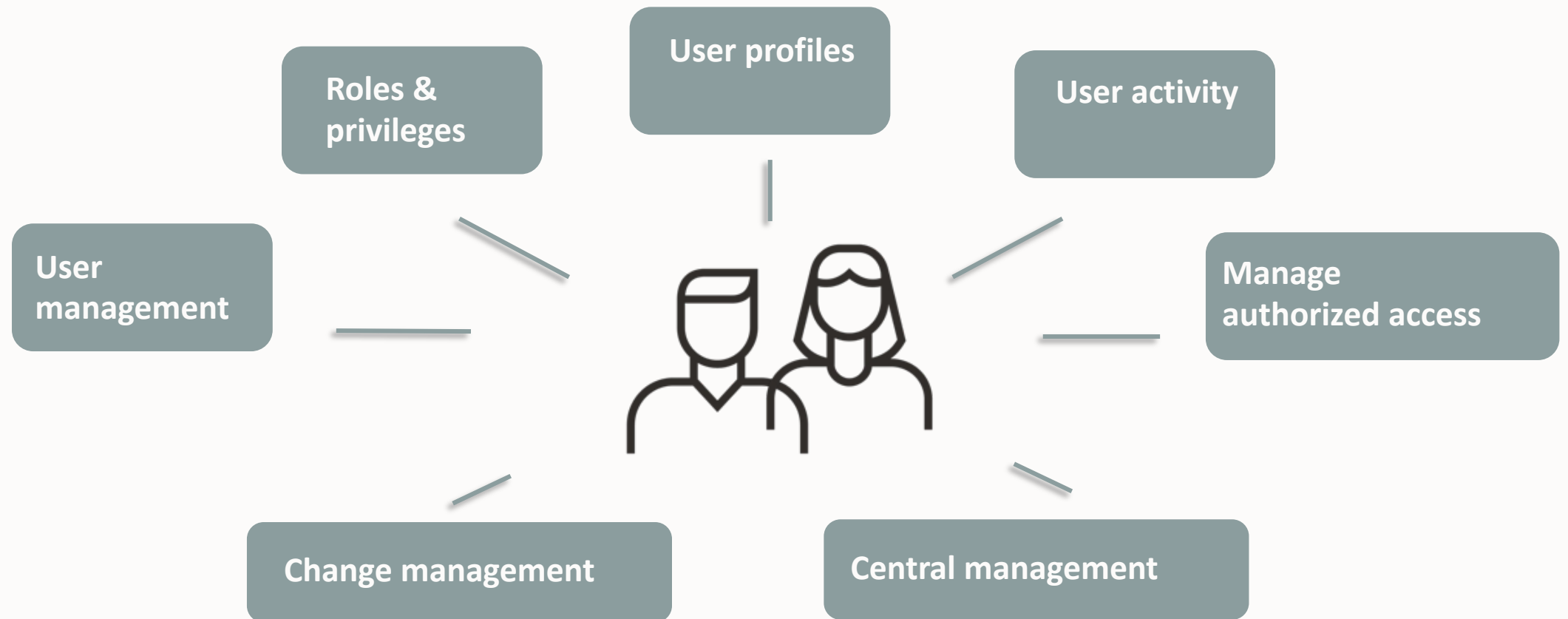
The challenges of user management

Why is user Management still an issue at all?

- **Who accesses which data / database where?**
 - Authentication and authorization
 - Production, test and development environments
- Who are my highly **privileged users**?
- How do I know if users or entitlements **were changed**?
- What are those **users doing** on the database?
- What activities do I **audit**?
- How are **permissions managed**?
 - Individual / decentralized by administrators
 - What happens with mutations (function changes, terminations, etc.)?
- Is there a role concept?



Different aspects of user management



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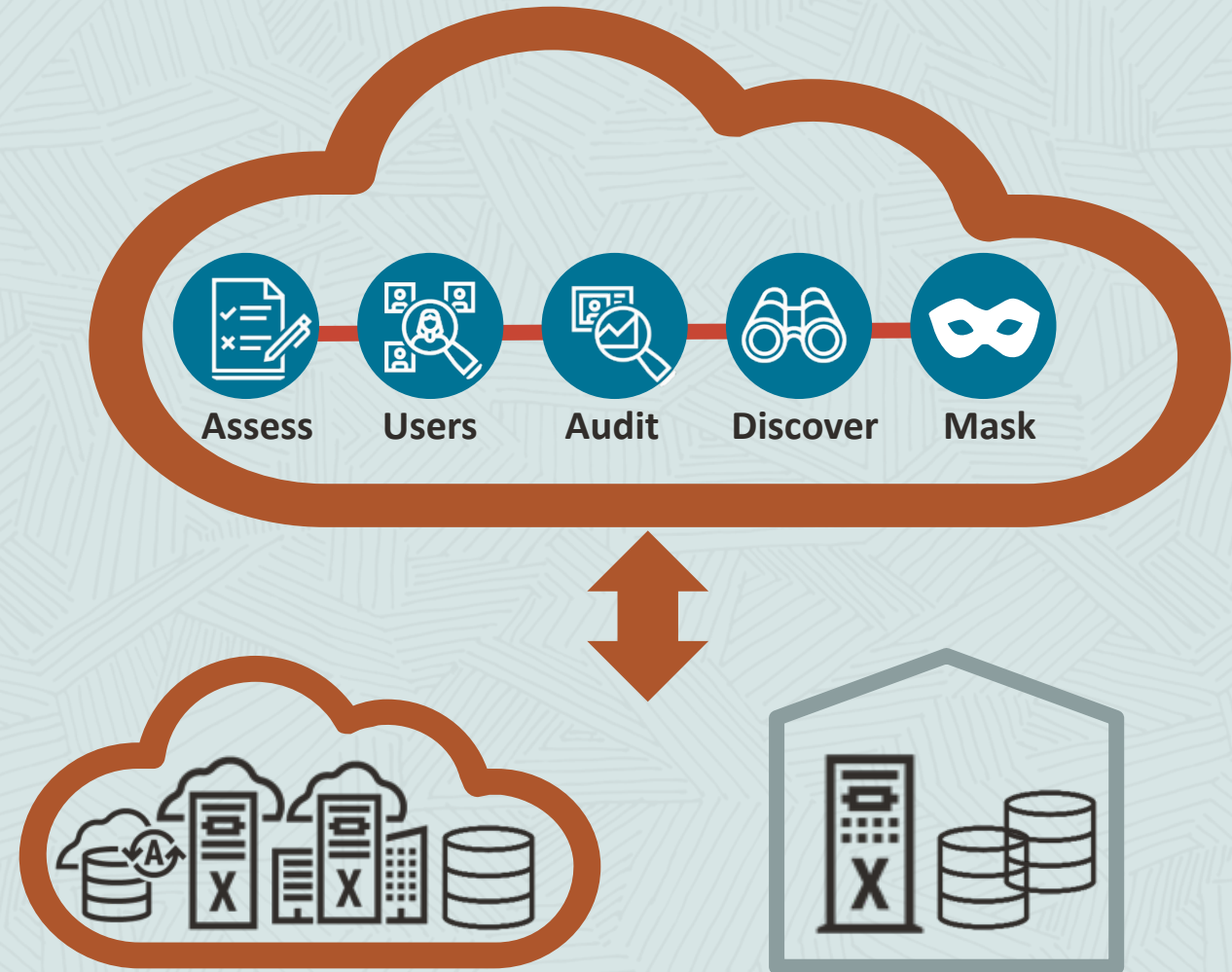
Unified database security control center

- Risk dashboard: configuration, data, users
- Monitor user activity
- Mask data for test environments
- Extensible - more features to come...

Benefits

- ✓ No special expertise needed: click-and-secure
- ✓ Saves time and mitigates security risks
- ✓ Defense-in-depth security for all customers

**Securing both your cloud and
on-premises databases**

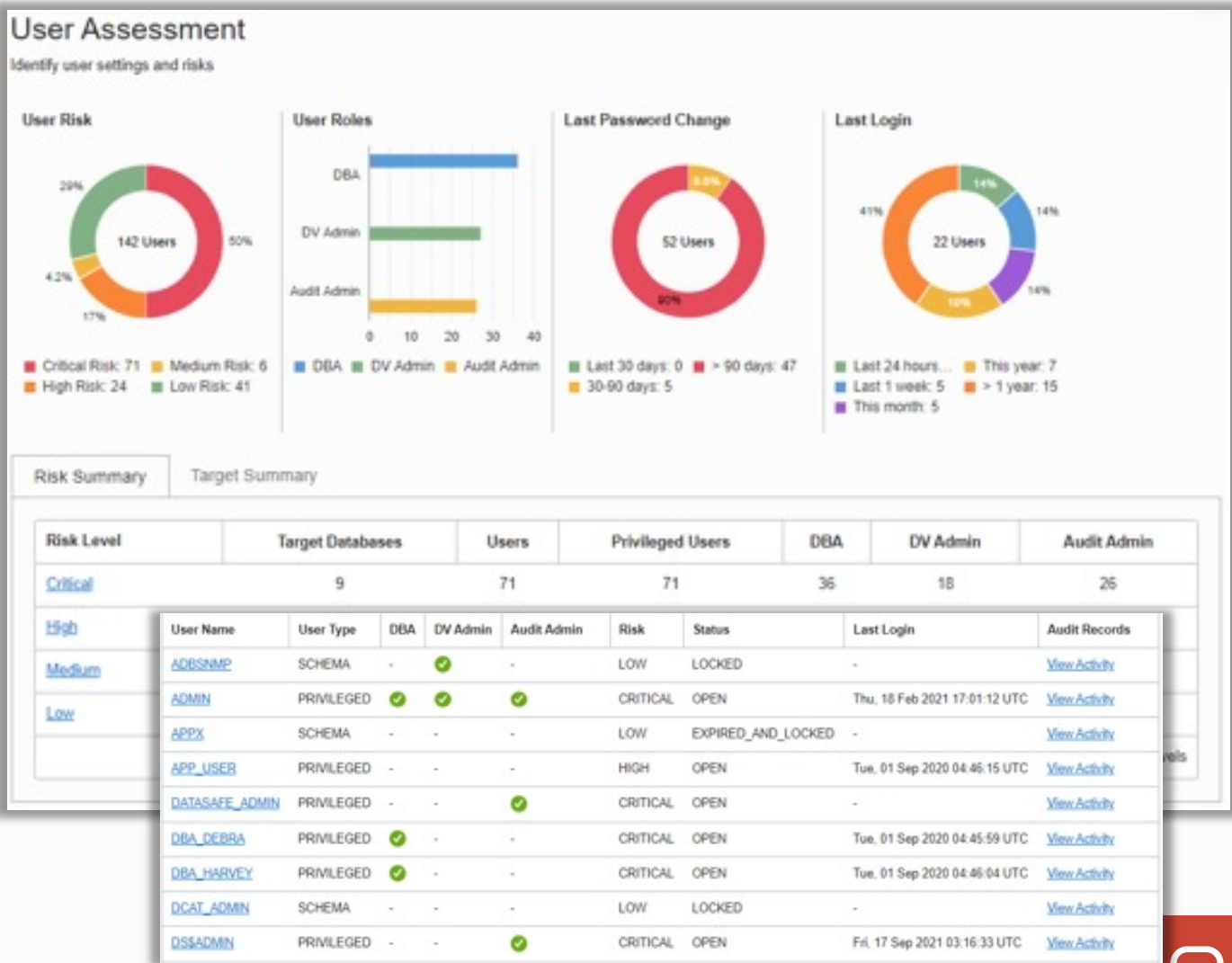




User Risk Assessment

Reduce risk from users by managing roles/privileges

- Identify highly privileged users
- Understand the potential risk level for each user
- Review their roles and privileges
- Evaluate user details like last login, password change, database activity

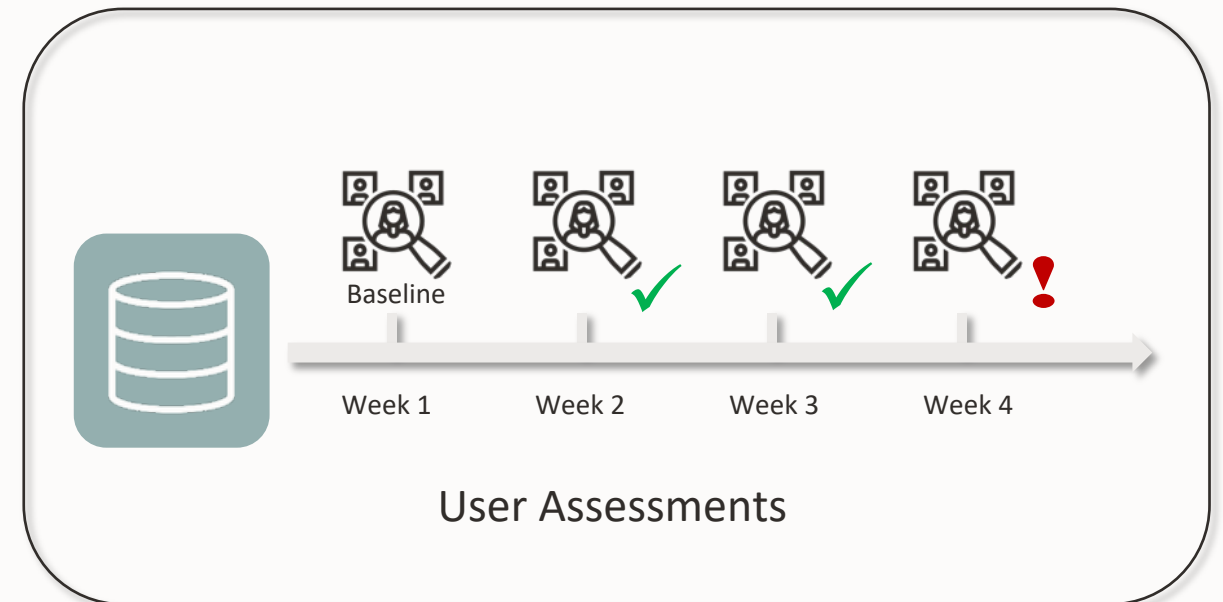




User Risk Assessment

Detecting User and Entitlement Changes

- Run periodic user assessments
- Compare new assessments against previous assessments
- Get notified and identify newly added users or changed entitlements

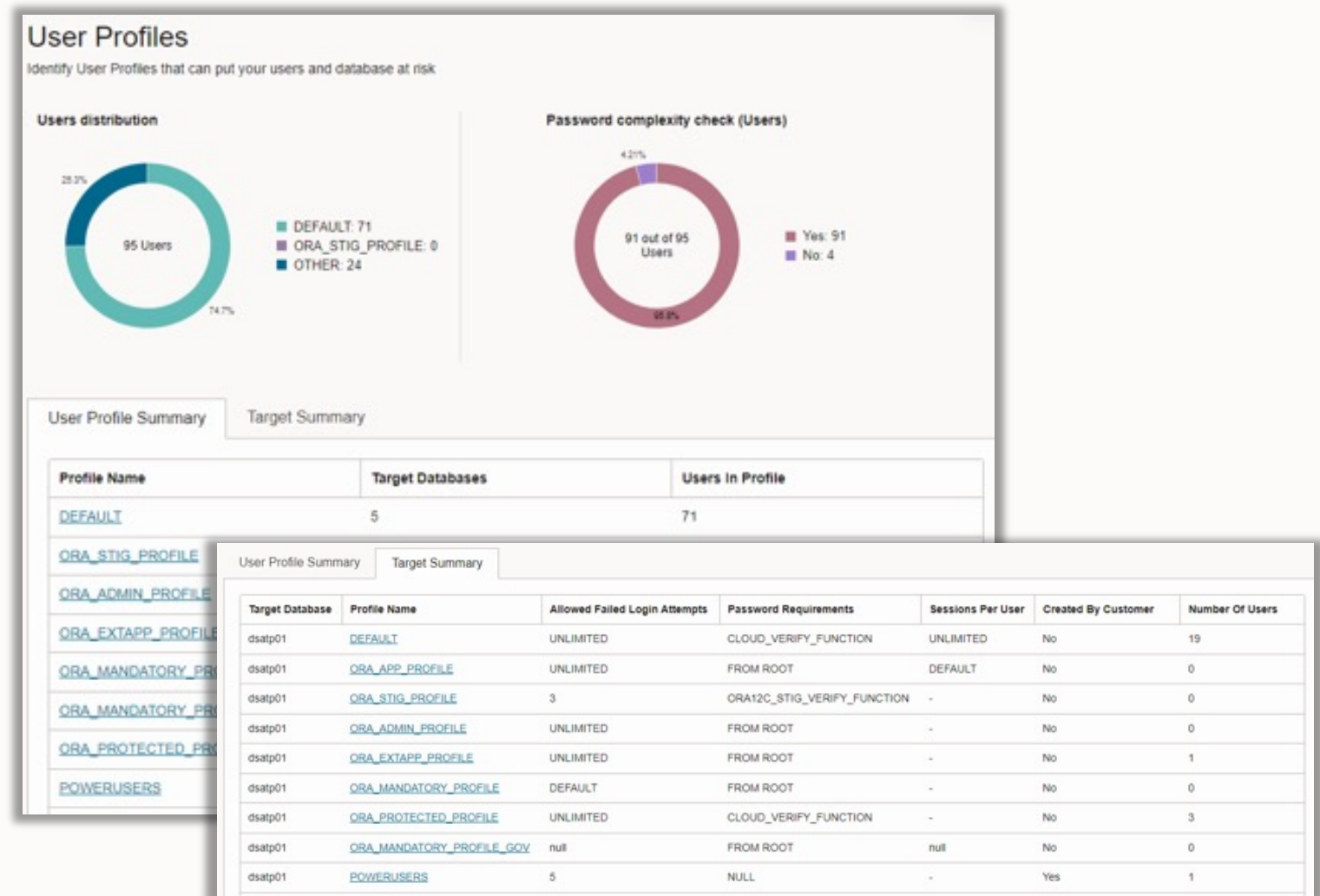




User Profile Insight

Evaluate password-related attributes associated with user profiles

- Review existing user profiles and their parameters
- Identify which profiles are assigned to which users
- Easily identify users and profiles without a password complexity function

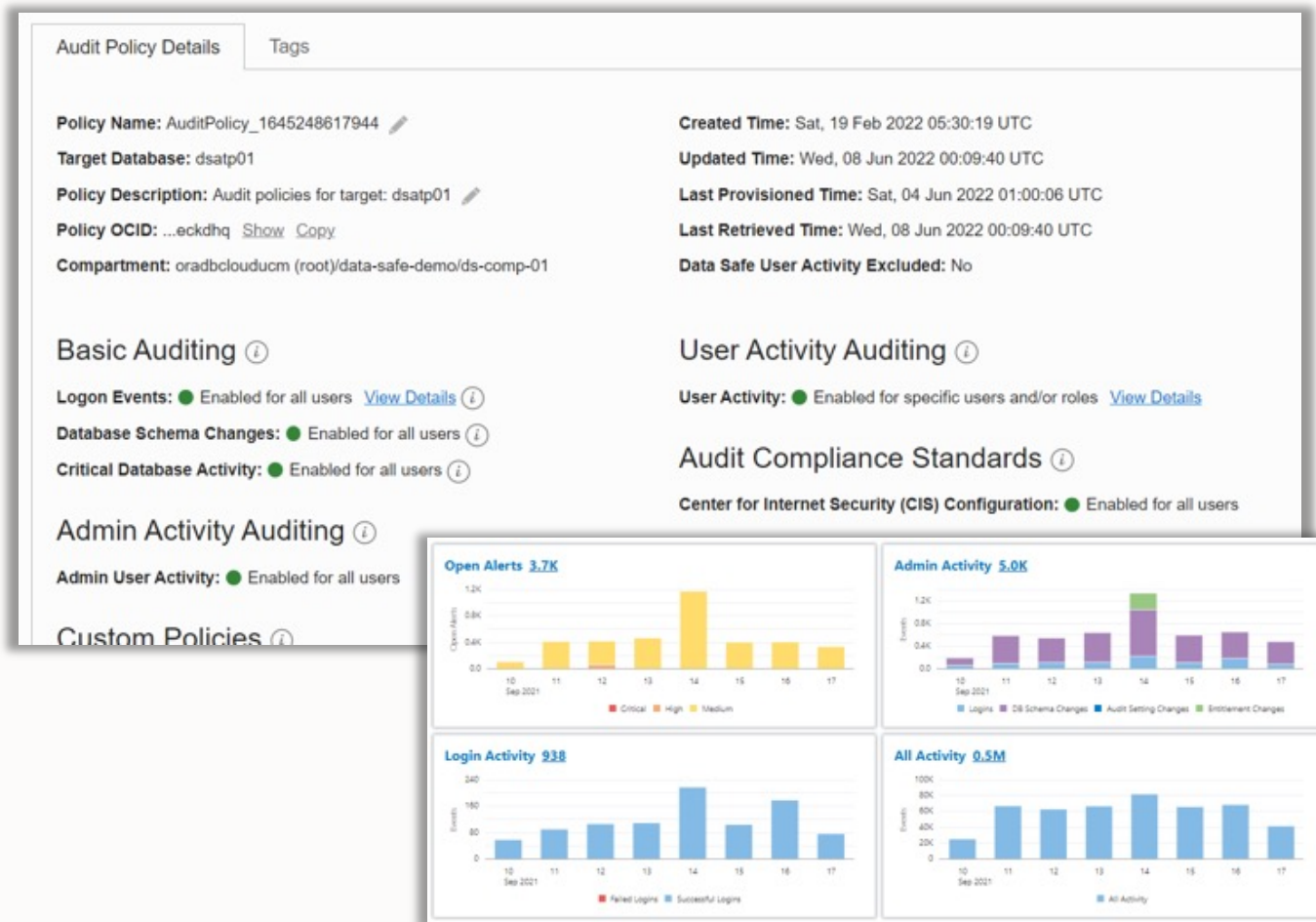




User Activity Auditing

Track user actions and streamline auditing with robust reporting

- Provision audit, compliance, and alert policies
- Centrally collect audit data from your databases, and track sensitive operations
- Review and monitor user activity
- Audit reports
 - Interactive reports for forensics
 - Summary and detailed reports
 - PDF reports for compliance



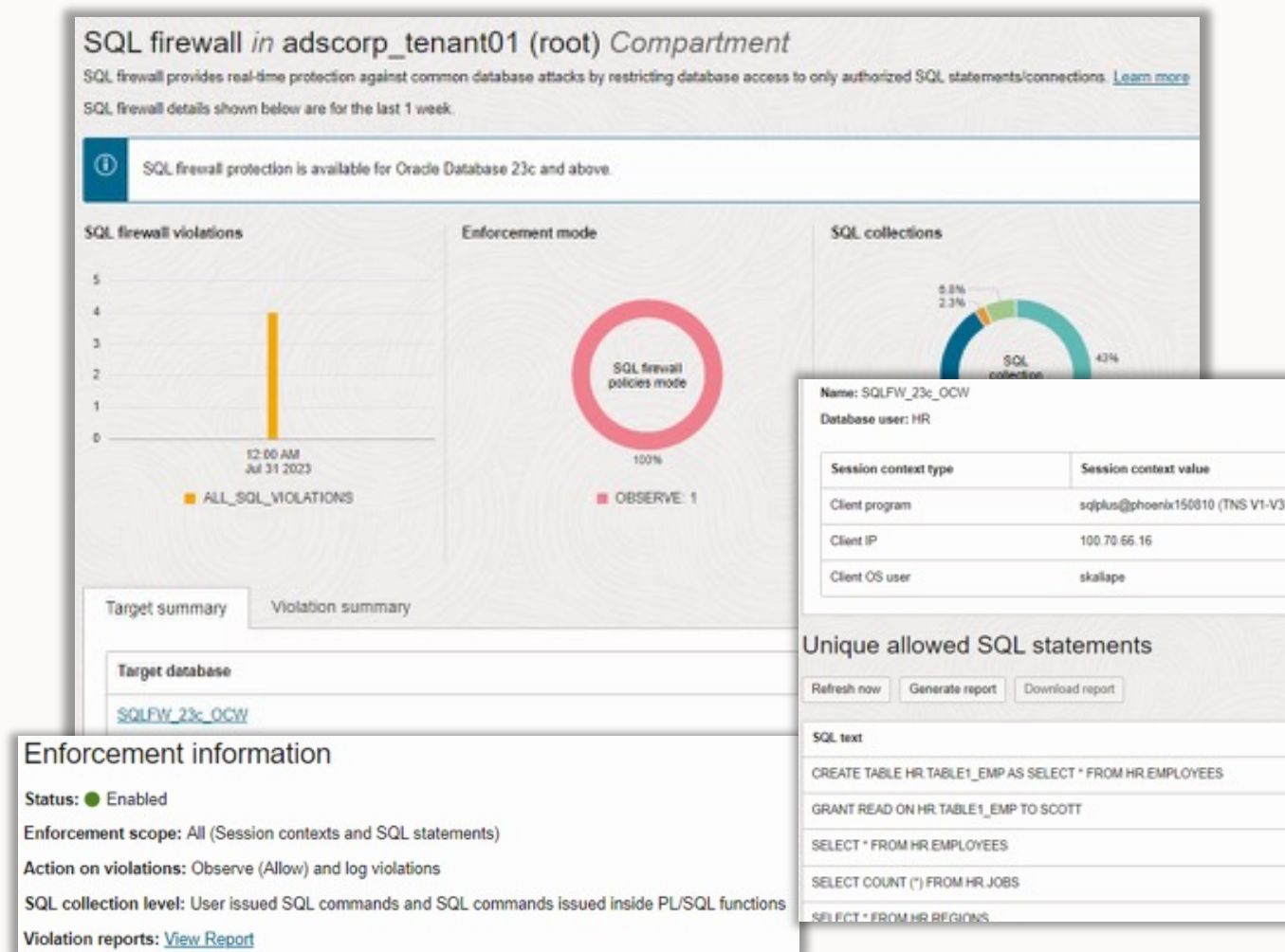


SQL Firewall

Prevent SQL injection and access from unauthorized access points

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

Available for 23c databases only





SQL Firewall

Easy configuration, management, and monitoring in Data Safe

1

Collect

Turn on the SQL statement and user connection collection

2

Review & Modify

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

3

Enforce

Block or monitor any unauthorized SQL and/or user connections

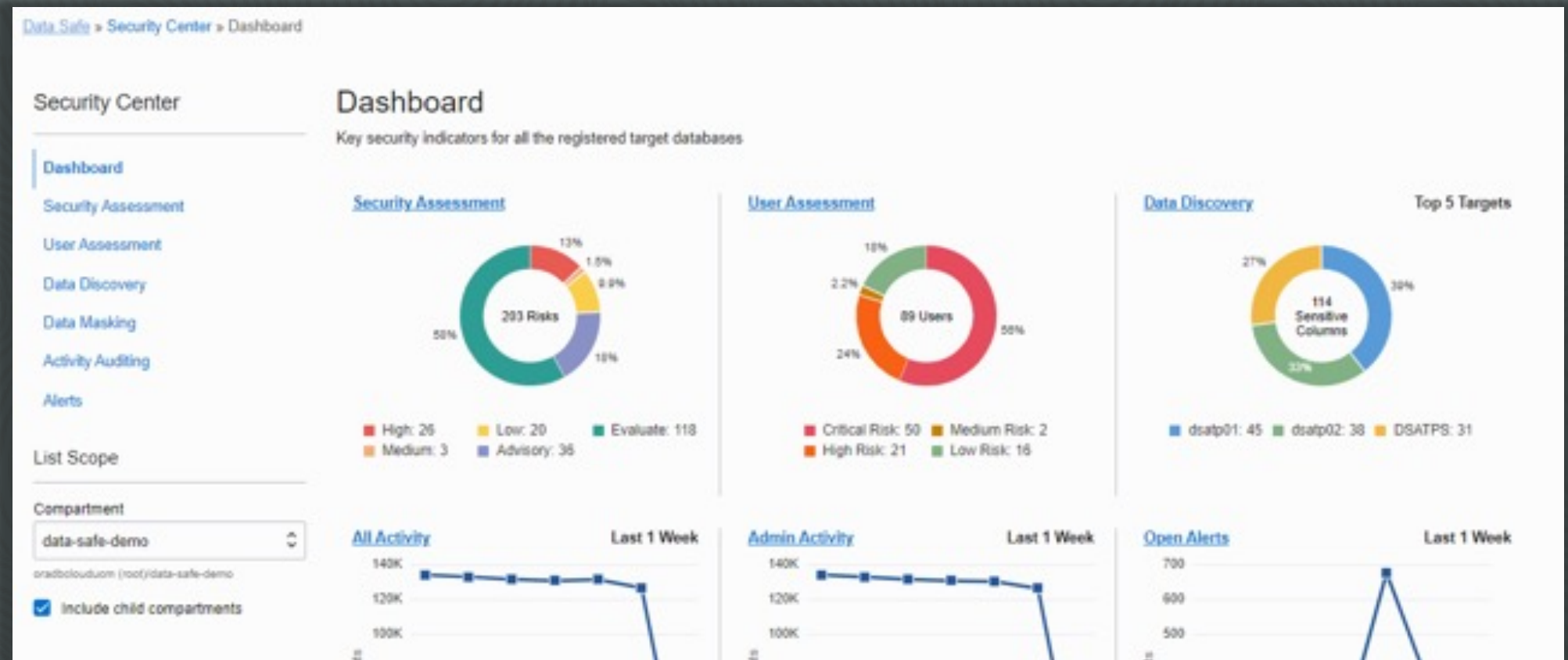
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Monitor

Monitor any violations

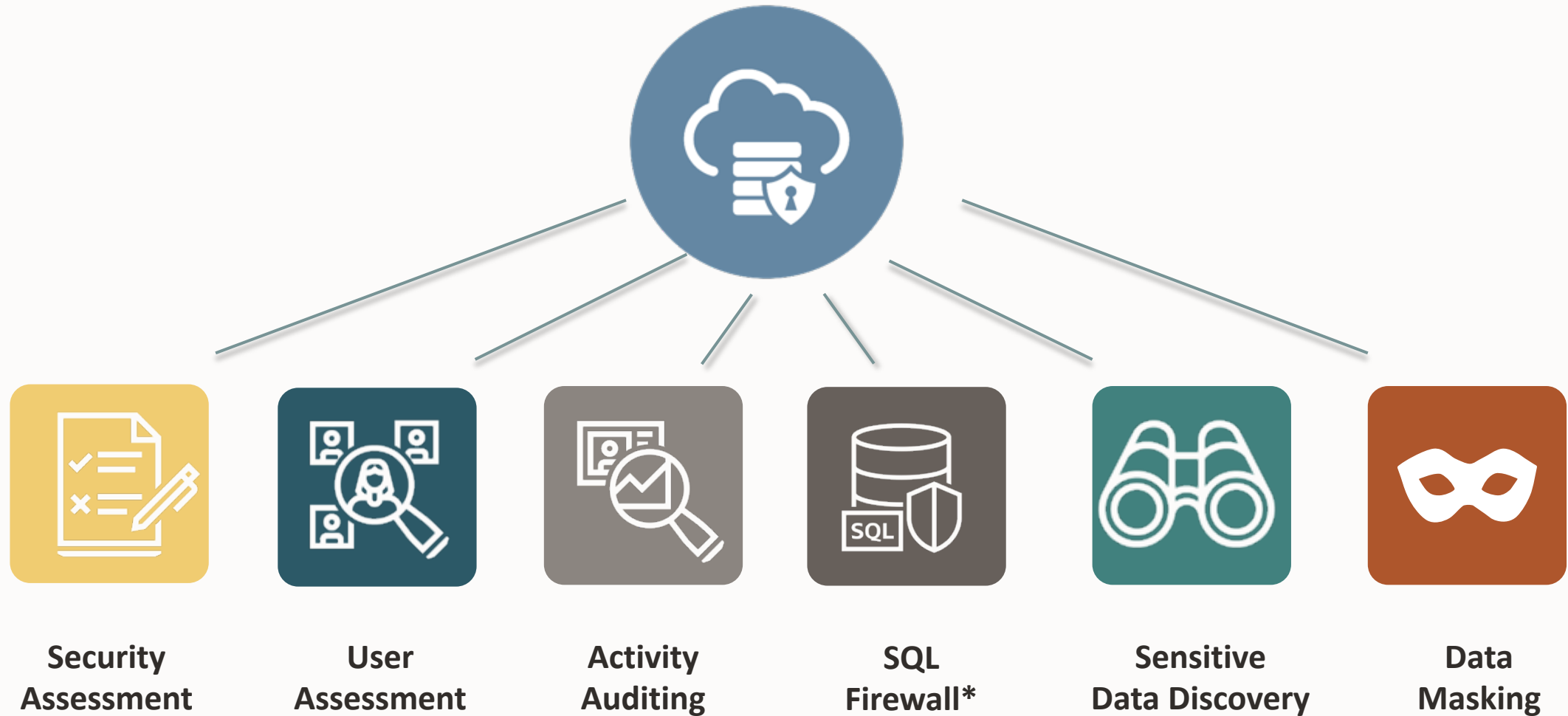
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Demo

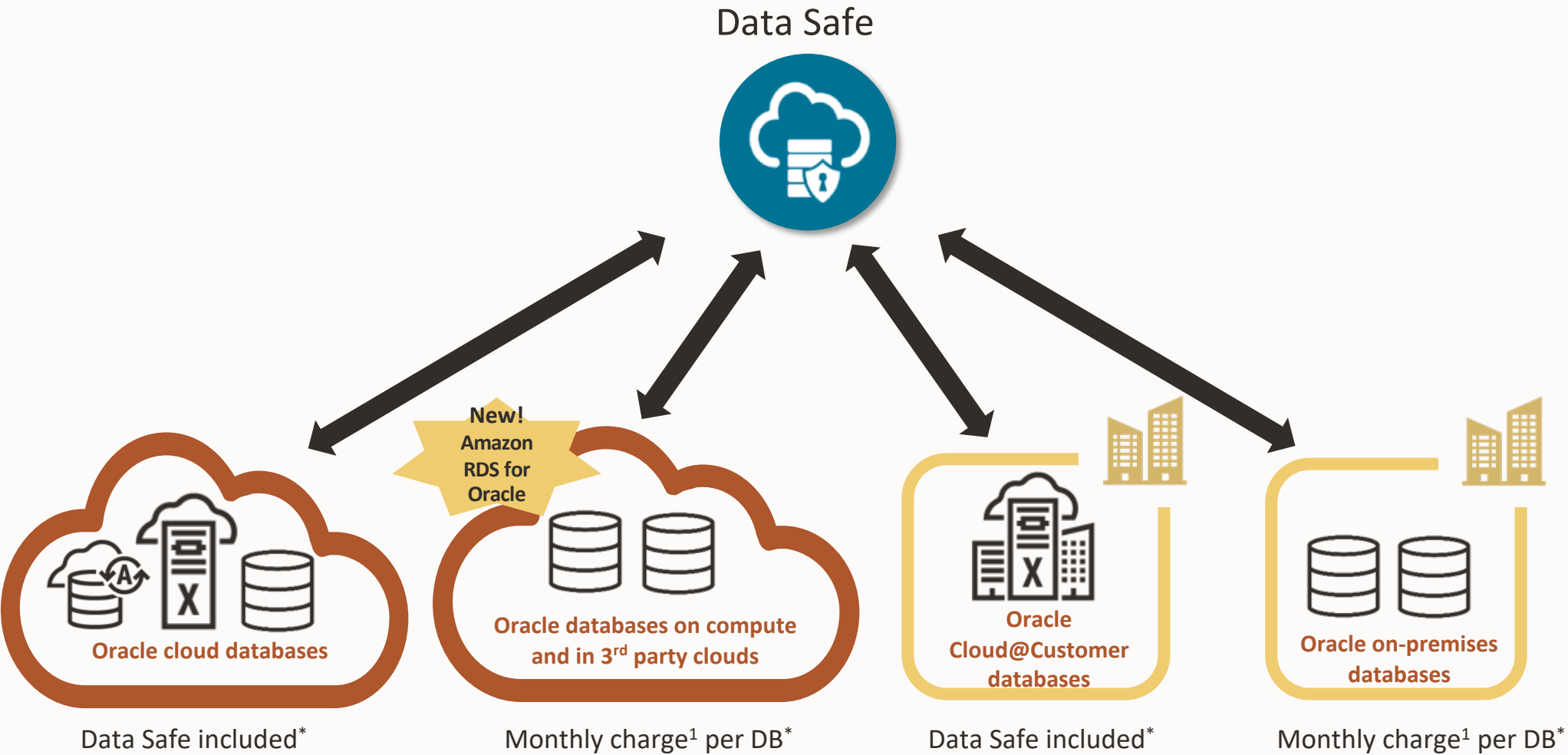


Oracle Data Safe

Secure your Oracle Databases



Data Safe is available for **all your Oracle Databases**

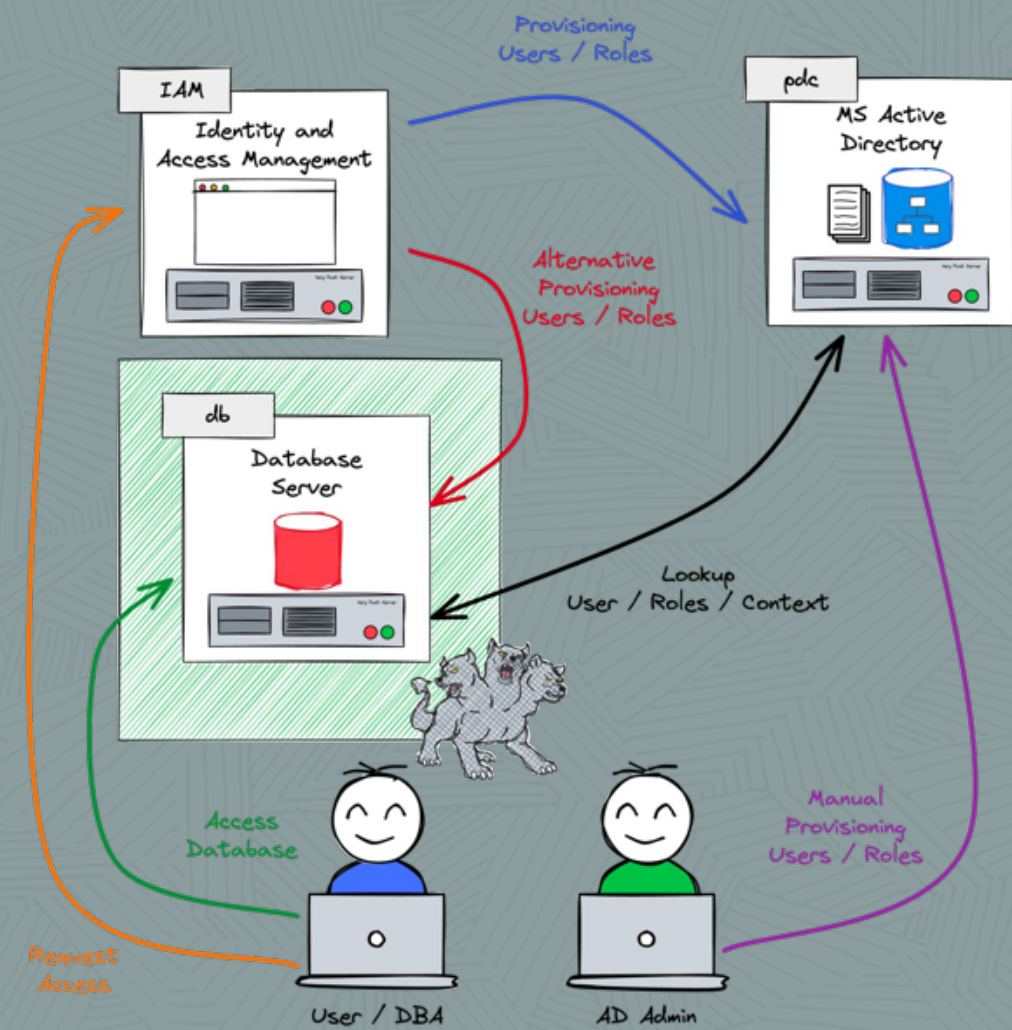


**Includes 1M audit records per database per month; \$0.10 per 10K records over the limit*

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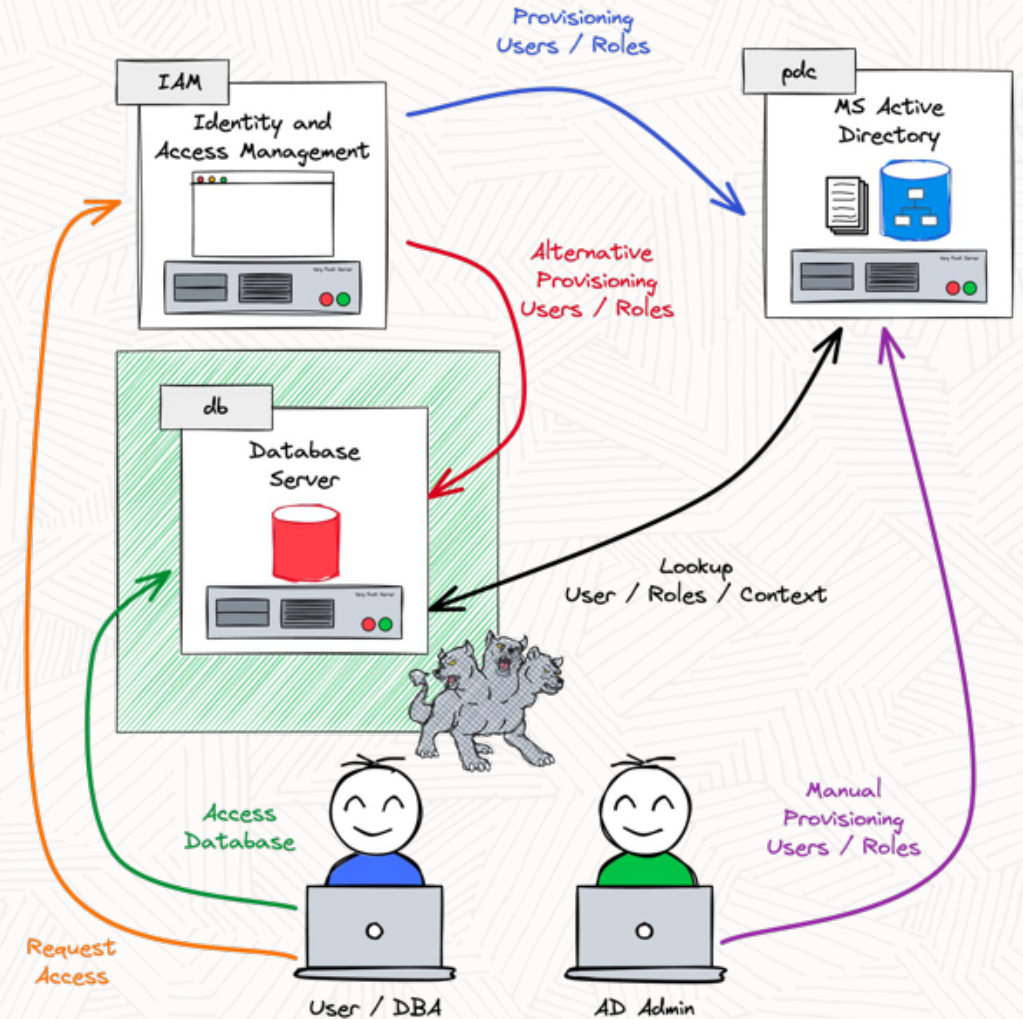


Oracle Centrally Managed Users (CMU)



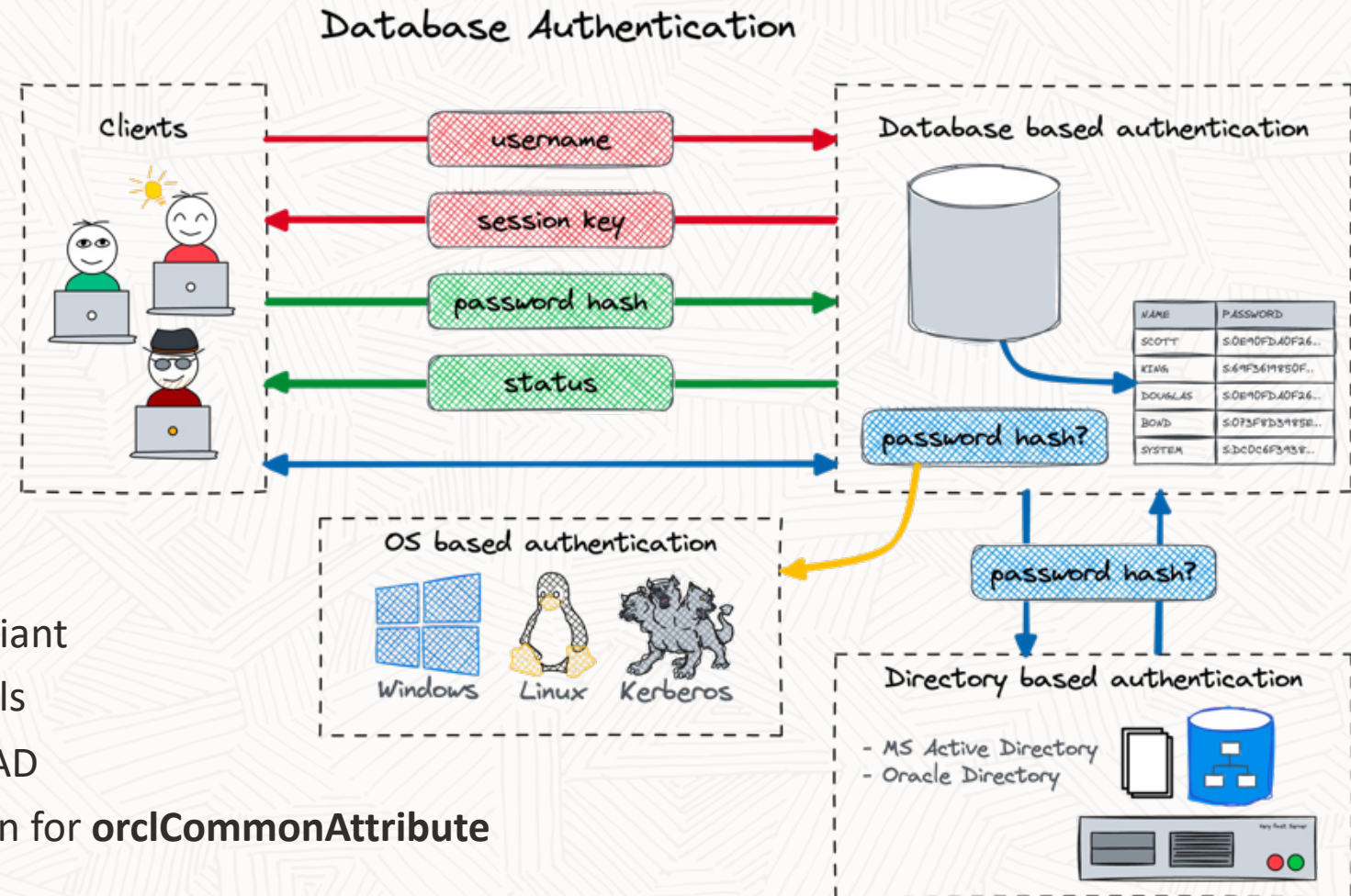
CMU in a Nutshell

- New security feature as of Oracle Database Release 18c
- **Centrally Managed User CMU...**
 - ... does not require an additional Oracle directory
 - ... enables the administration of users directly in MS AD
 - ... does not require an additional license but
 - ... Supported only by Oracle Enterprise or Free Edition ☺
 - ... not supported in Oracle Standard Edition ☹
- Supports common authentication methods
 - **Password- , Kerberos- und PKI / SSL** authentication
- Requires a **password filter** and an AD schema extension
- Requires an AD service account
- Perfect for small and medium-sized businesses
 - Oracle EUS **deprecated** in 23c



Active Directory plug-in or not

- Authentication at Oracle is either...
 - ... external i.e. OS, Kerberos, SSL, etc.
 - ... password respectively hash based
- For password based authentication Oracle must have access to a password hash
 - USER\$** for database authentication
 - userPassword** for LDAP EUS based
 - orclCommonAttribute** for AD based
- Active Directory is not fully LDAP v3 compliant
 - It use its on method to store credentials
- CMU as well EUS requires a Plugin on MS AD
 - Filter DLL with an AD Schema extension for **orclCommonAttribute**

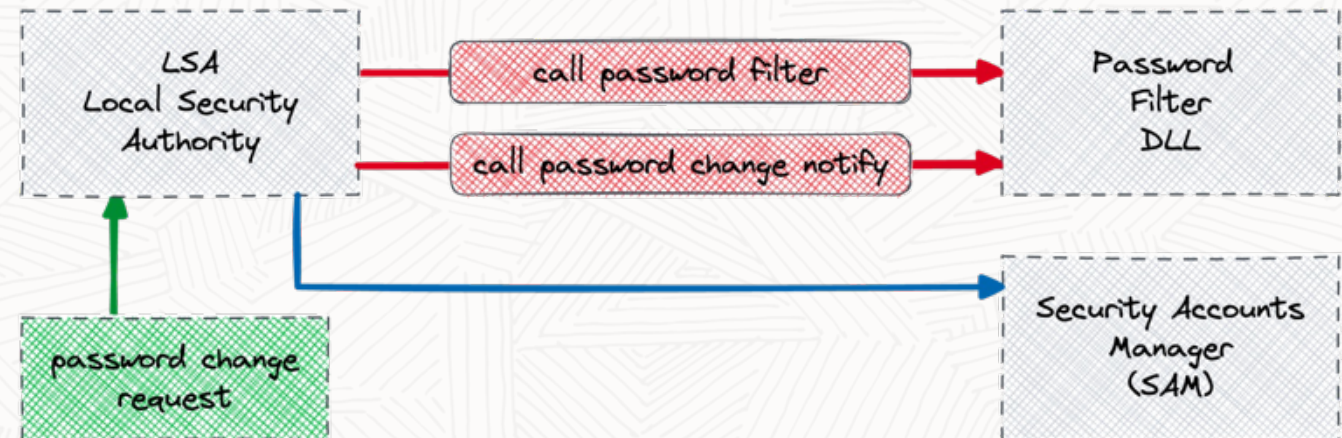


Oracle Password Filter Plugin

A few insights into the Password Plugin...

- The AD Plugin is installed using opwdintg.exe
- The following changes are performed
 - Add default groups ORA_VFR_11G, ORA_VFR_12G, ORA_VFR_11G
 - Introduce AD schema extension
 - Install a filter DLL
- Latest Version is official signed and a valid LSA
- Downsides
 - Requires AD Reboot
 - Schema change **can not** be remove
- Standard Windows / AD Interface
 - Also used by other products

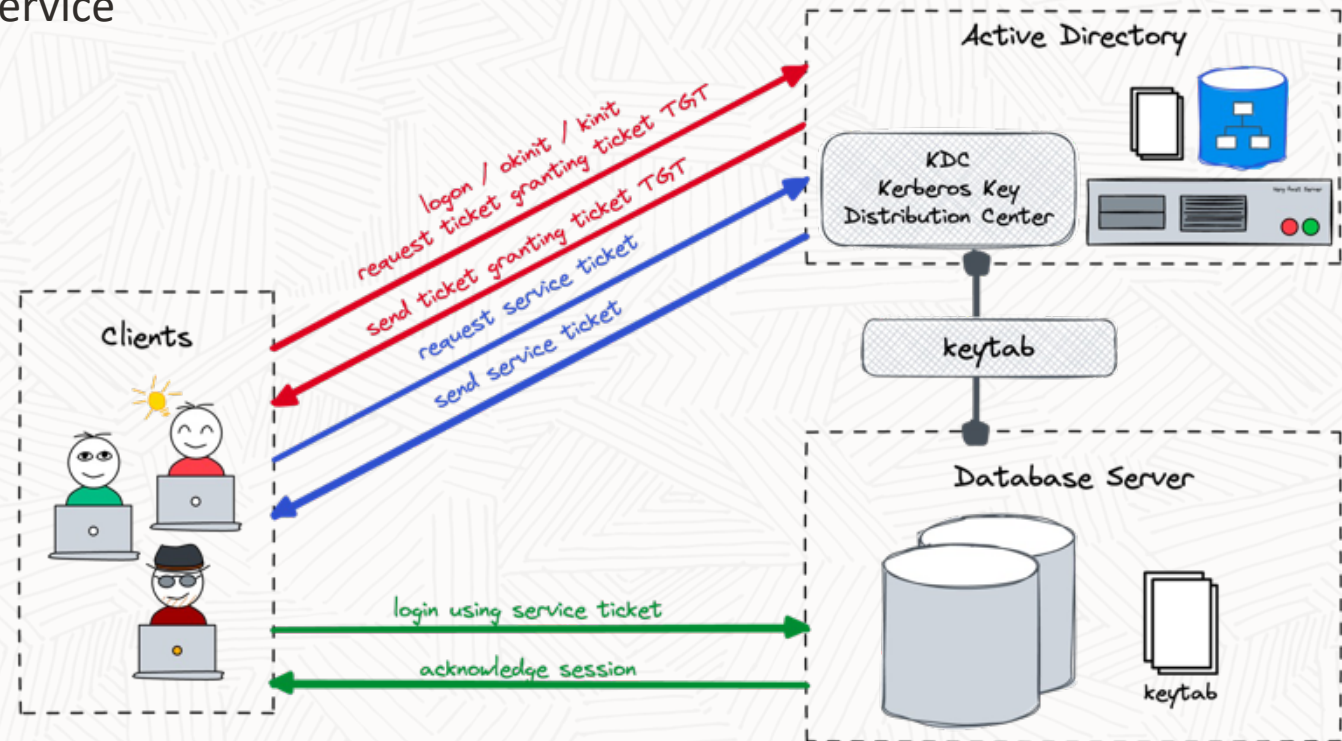
MAXIMUM FLEXIBILITY AND COMPATIBILITY ONLY WITH THE PLUGIN



Alternative Kerberos Authentication



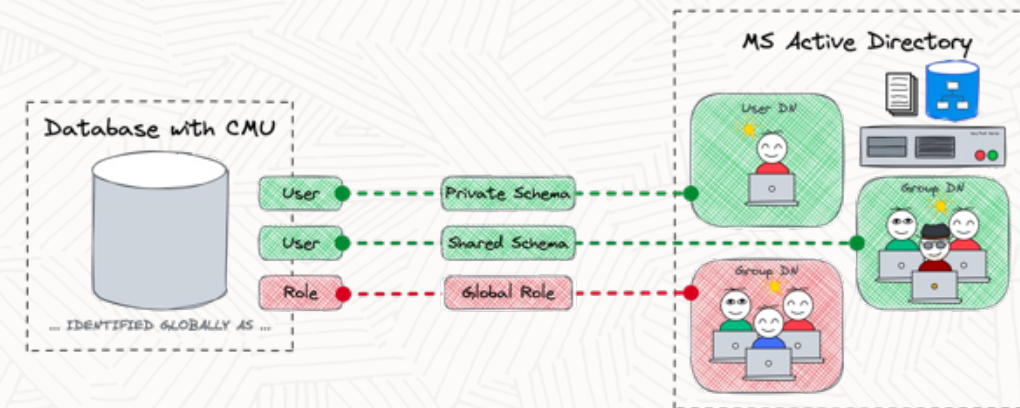
- Kerberos requires three parties
 - Key Distribution Center (KDC) providing the Authentication Service (AS) and Ticket Granting Service (TGS)
 - Service, Service Principle (SPN) providing a service
 - Client requesting access
- Other terms
 - Ticket Granting Ticket (TGT)
 - Key Table file keytab for short, stores long-term keys for one or more SPNs
 - Kerberos Credential Cache “ccache”, holds Kerberos credentials, during validity period
- Basis for a range of tools and services
- KDC is integrated with MS Active Directory



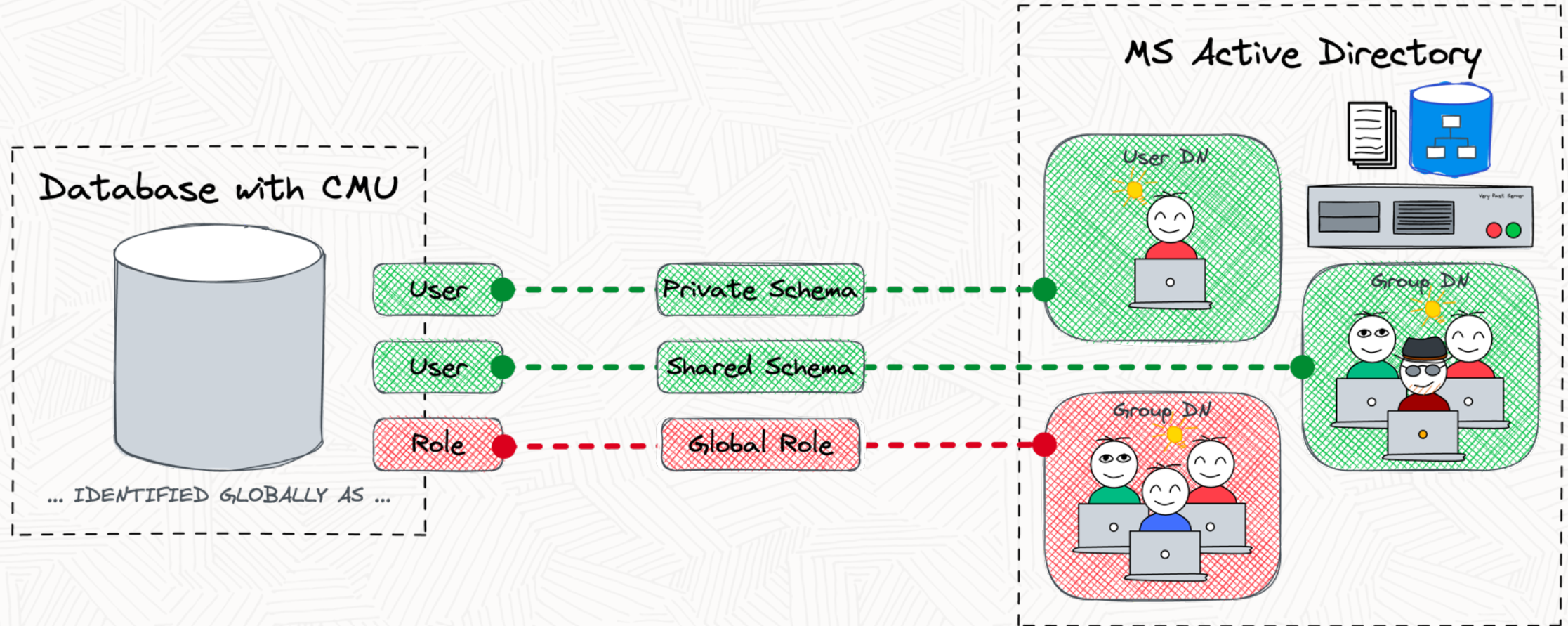
Shared or exclusive mapped Schemas

CMU, like EUS, offers two types of global user mapping

- **Shared Global Users** e.g. database user is mapped to directory group
 - Centralized management of user authorization in Active Directory
 - Reduce user management in the database
 - DB user “share” the same resources in the database
- **Private Global Users** e.g. database user is mapped to a directory user
 - Exclusive user / resource in the database
 - Users must still be created in the database
 - Recommended for users with own objects
- **Global Roles** to grant privileges to private or shared global users
 - Database global roles mapped to directory groups
 - give member users additional privilege

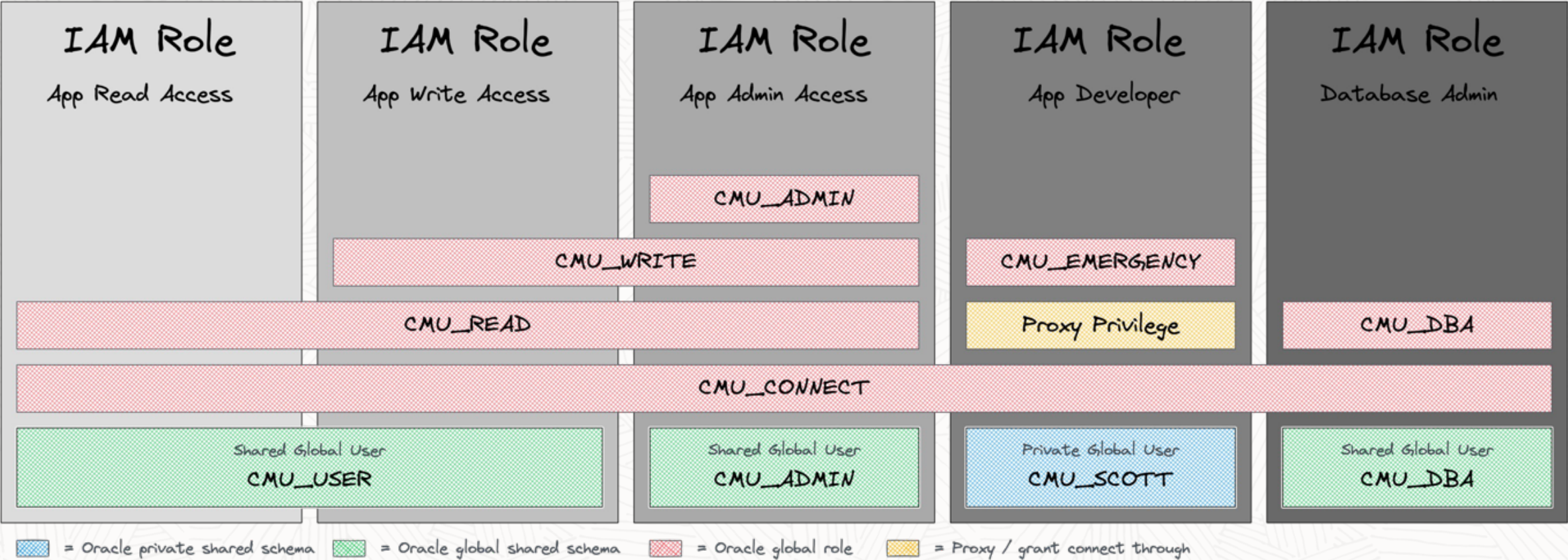


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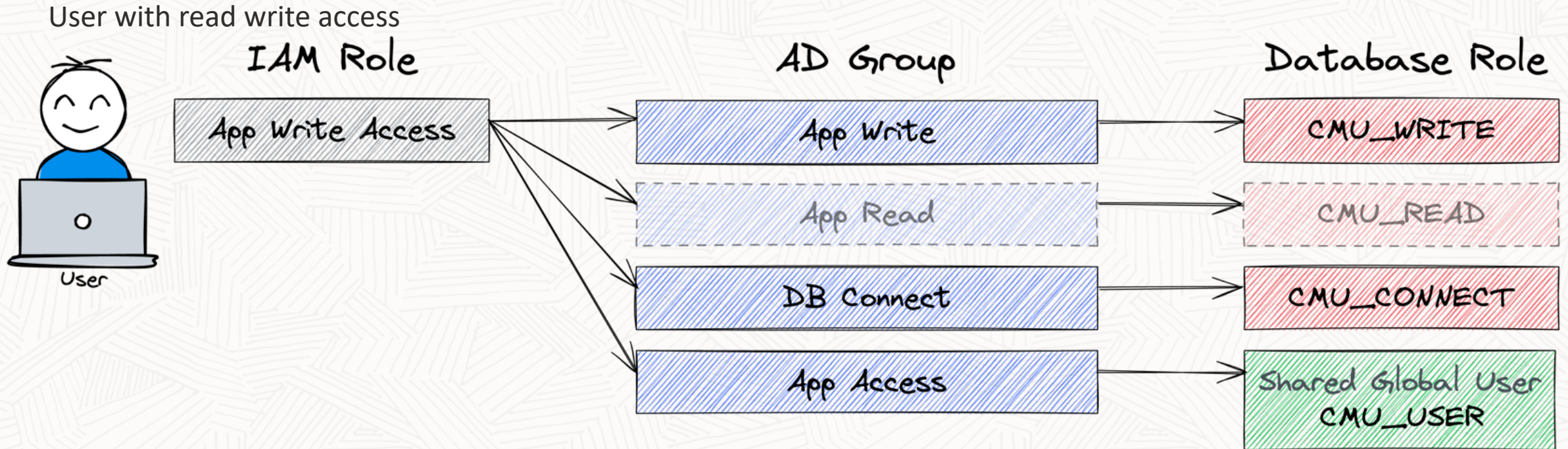


User and Role Concept

Simplified user Entitlement and Assignment



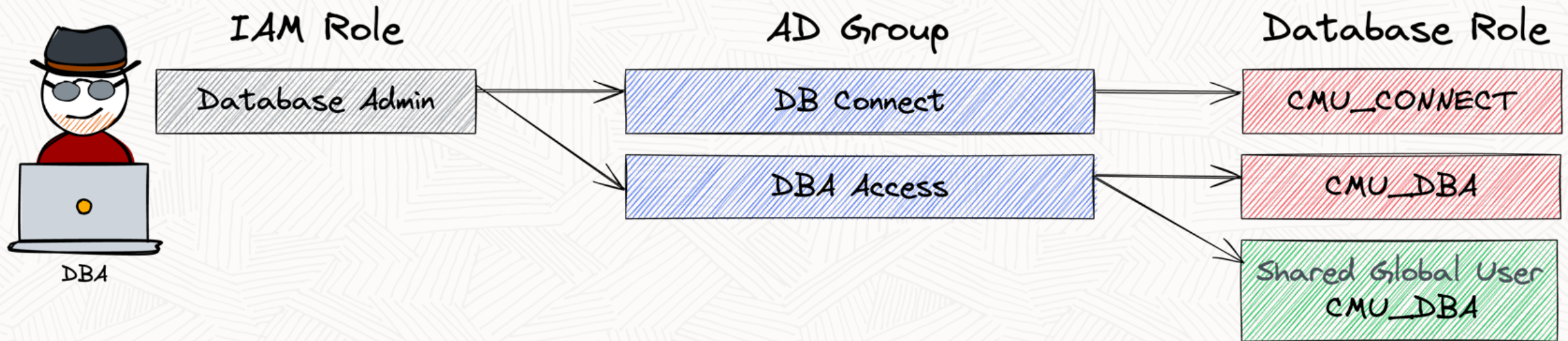
User Entitlement and Mapping - WRITE



```
CREATE USER cmu_user IDENTIFIED GLOBALLY AS 'cn=Application Users,ou=groups,dc=trivadislabs,dc=com';
CREATE ROLE cmu_connect IDENTIFIED GLOBALLY AS 'cn=DB Access,ou= groups,dc=trivadislabs,dc=com';
CREATE ROLE cmu_write IDENTIFIED GLOBALLY AS 'cn=Application Write,ou= groups,dc=trivadislabs,dc=com';
GRANT cmu_read TO cmu_write;
```


User Entitlement and Mapping - DBA

User with DBA access



```
CREATE USER cmu_dba IDENTIFIED GLOBALLY AS 'cn=Database Admins,ou=groups,dc=trivadislabs,dc=com';
CREATE ROLE cmu_connect IDENTIFIED GLOBALLY AS 'cn=DB Access,ou= groups,dc=trivadislabs,dc=com';
CREATE ROLE cmu_dba IDENTIFIED GLOBALLY AS 'cn=Database Admins,ou=groups,dc=trivadislabs,dc=com';
GRANT sysdba TO cmu_dba;
```

User Entitlement and Mapping - Consideration

Create new roles or alter existing roles?

- Create a corresponding **user and role concept** (or adapt an existing)
- Use whenever possible **global shared schemas** rather than **private global schemas**
 - Reduce manual work on the database e.g. to create exclusive mappings
- Global shared schema has to be an AD group
 - e.g. ObjectClass GroupOfUniqueNames rather than OrganisationalUnit
 - Oracle EUS it is OrganisationalUnit
- Make sure user is only member of one group
- Grant privileges via global roles rather with direct grants

```
GRANT app_write TO cmu_write;
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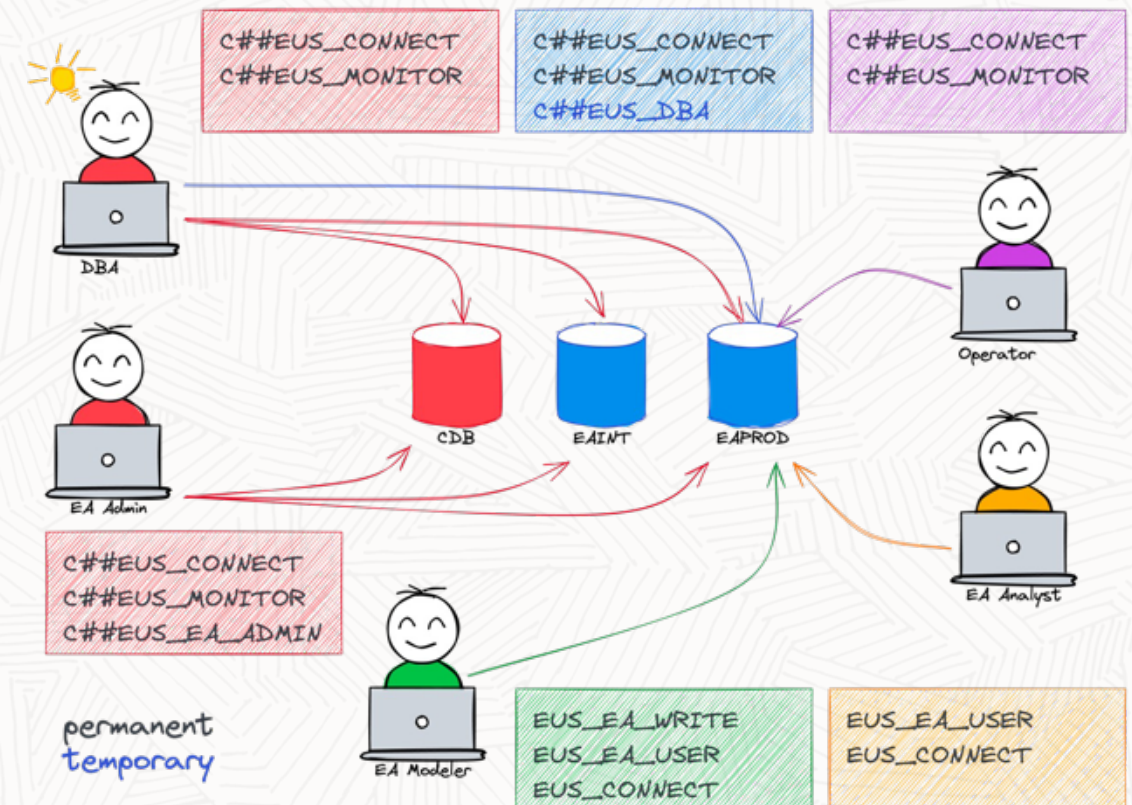

Oracle Multitenant

How to handle central Authentication / Authorisation in container databases?

- CMU also works analogously for container DBs
- Can be configured on CDB Level and/or PDB level
- Global shared users can be local or common
 - Common global shared schemas allows access across all PDB
 - Local global shared schemas only allows local access

**Comprehensive user and role concept
gets even more important**

Access using CMU in Container DBs



Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control

What to consider when using Oracle CMU with OEM?

- CMU works **transparently** in OEM
- **No special** configuration if **password** authentication is in use
- **Kerberos** authentication requires further action
 - Use of Global Named Credential for Database Kerberos
 - OEM requires a krb5.conf file either in
 - default location /etc/krb5.conf
 - TNS_ADMIN folder configured in OEM
 - Security folder of JDK

The screenshot shows the 'Create Credential' page in the Oracle Enterprise Manager Cloud Control interface. The page is titled 'Security' and 'Create Credential'. It includes a breadcrumb trail 'Named Credentials > Create Credential'. The page is divided into two main sections: 'General Properties' and 'Credential Properties'. In the 'General Properties' section, the 'Credential name' is 'KRBS_KING', the 'Credential description' is 'Kerberos Credential for K', the 'Authenticating Target Type' is 'Database Instance', and the 'Credential type' is 'Database Kerberos Credentials'. The 'Scope' is set to 'Global'. In the 'Credential Properties' section, the 'Kerberos Username' is 'king', and the 'Kerberos Password' and 'Confirm Kerberos Password' fields are masked with dots. The page has a top navigation bar with the Oracle logo and various icons, and a bottom status bar indicating the page was refreshed on Jun 25, 2021 at 9:44:17 AM CEST.

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Security

Named Credentials > Create Credential

Create Credential

Test and Save Save Cancel

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* Authenticating Target Type Database Instance

* Credential type Database Kerberos Credentials

Scope ☐ Target ☒ Global

Credential Properties

* Kerberos Username king

* Kerberos Password

* Confirm Kerberos Password

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The ORA-28306 Problem

Multiple user Mapping...

- A user could be in several groups mapped to different shared global schemas
- Default behaviour is a successful login to any of these schemas (recent Oracle releases)
- Old behaviour respectively by setting the parameter *_ldap_warning_on_multi_shared_mappings*

```
SQL> conn fleming/LAB42-Schulung
ERROR:
ORA-28306: The directory user has 2 groups mapped to different database global users.
Connected.
```

Solution

- Keep your AD groups clean e.g. User may only be member in one group used for mapping
- Use exclusive schema mapping
- Keep your user/role concept agile so that the error is not an issue

CMU Projects and Implementations

Swiss financial service provider

- Integration with IaM solution e.g. provisioning to AD
- Kerberos based authentication
- Mainly power user and DBA's

Insurance company in Switzerland

- Replacement of Oracle Enterprise User Security
- SSL based authentication

Large German Bank

- Kerberos based authentication

Swiss National Bank

- Kerberos based authentication

Several small and medium-sized enterprises

Security Measures



More Information



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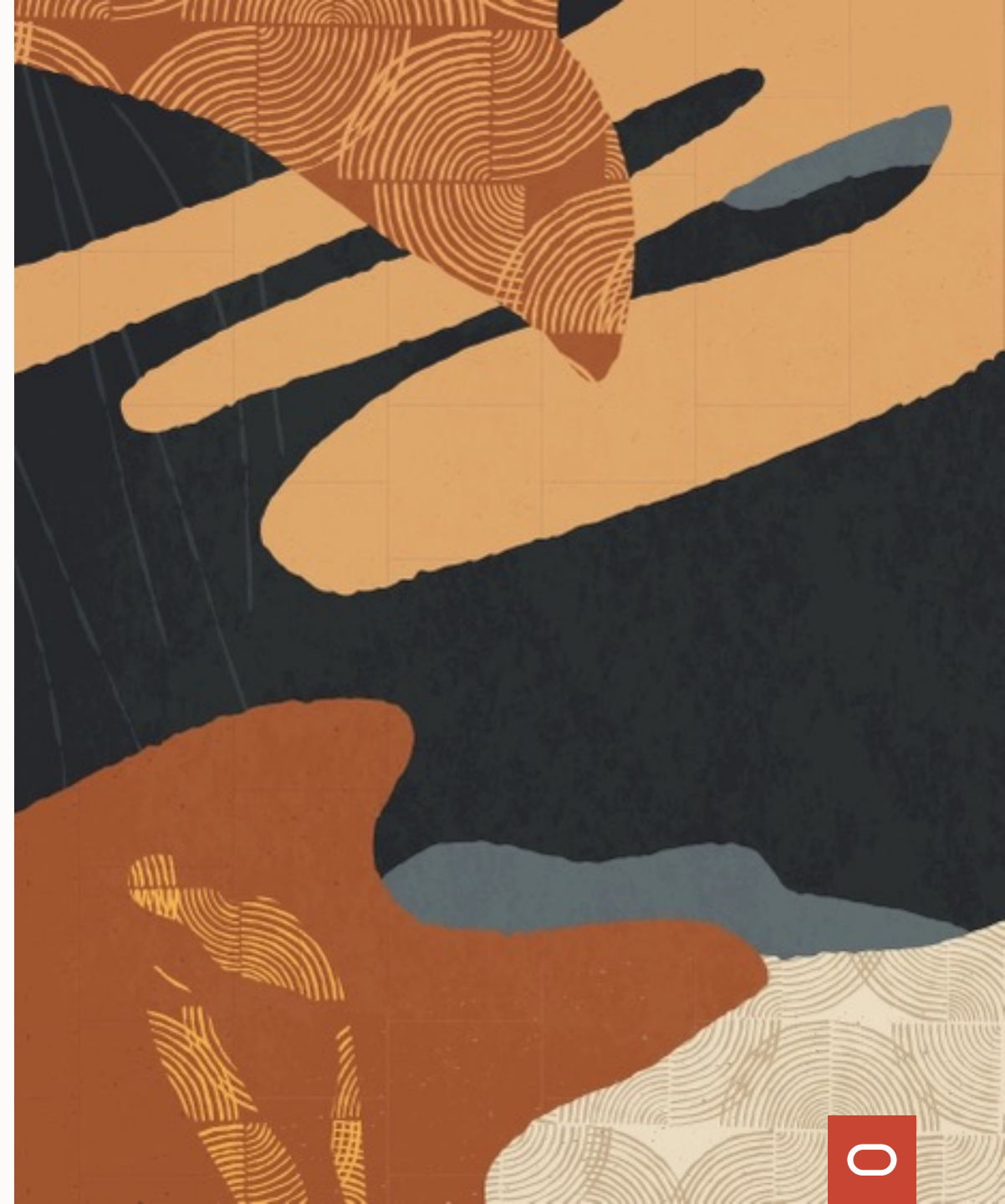
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Thank you

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