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# Preface

*Oracle Database Vault Administrator's Guide* explains how to configure access control-based security in an Oracle Database environment by using Oracle Database Vault.

This preface contains the following topics:

- [Audience](#)
- [Documentation Accessibility](#)
- [Related Documents](#)
- [Conventions](#)

## Audience

This document is intended for security managers, audit managers, label administrators, and Oracle database administrators (DBAs) who are involved in the configuration of Oracle Database Vault.

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- *Oracle Label Security Administrator's Guide*
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# Conventions

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<b>Convention</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
<b>boldface</b>	Boldface type indicates graphical user interface elements associated with an action, or terms defined in text or the glossary.
<i>italic</i>	Italic type indicates book titles, emphasis, or placeholder variables for which you supply particular values.
monospace	Monospace type indicates commands within a paragraph, URLs, code in examples, text that appears on the screen, or text that you enter.





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# What's New in Oracle Database Vault?

This section describes new features in Oracle Database Vault for this release of Oracle Database.

This section contains:

- [Changed Oracle Database Vault Features in Oracle Database 11g Release 2 \(11.2.0.3\)](#)
- [New Oracle Database Vault Features in Oracle Database 11g Release 2 \(11.2.0.2\)](#)
- [New Oracle Database Vault Features in Oracle Database 11g Release 2 \(11.2.0.1\)](#)

## Changed Oracle Database Vault Features in Oracle Database 11g Release 2 (11.2.0.3)

This section contains:

- [Desupport for the Oracle Data Pump EXP and IMP Utilities](#)

### **Desupport for the Oracle Data Pump EXP and IMP Utilities**

Starting with this release, the Oracle Data Pump `EXP` and `IMP` utilities cannot be used in an Oracle Database Vault environment.

See "[Using Oracle Data Pump in an Oracle Database Vault Environment](#)" on page 10-5 for more information about using Oracle Data Pump with Oracle Database Vault.

## New Oracle Database Vault Features in Oracle Database 11g Release 2 (11.2.0.2)

This section contains:

- [DBMS\\_MACADM Procedures Now Use Previous Values for Defaults](#)

### **DBMS\_MACADM Procedures Now Use Previous Values for Defaults**

Default settings for some of the values for the following `DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM` PL/SQL package procedures are now based on their previous settings:

- `DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UPDATE_REALM`
- `DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UPDATE_REALM_AUTH`
- `DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UPDATE_RULE_SET`
- `DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UPDATE_COMMAND_RULE`
- `DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UPDATE_FACTOR`
- `DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UPDATE_ROLE`

For example, suppose you created or updated a realm to have realm checking enabled. When you use the `DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UPDATE_REALM` procedure to modify the realm, the enabled parameter default is set to enable realm checking.

For more information, see [Chapter 12, "Using the DVSYS.DBMS\\_MACADM Package."](#)

## New Oracle Database Vault Features in Oracle Database 11g Release 2 (11.2.0.1)

This section contains:

- [Integration with Oracle Enterprise Manager](#)
- [Oracle Data Pump Support](#)
- [Oracle Database Job Scheduler Support](#)
- [Additional Oracle Database Vault Roles](#)
- [Additional Default Rule Sets](#)
- [Expanded Range for Fail Codes Used for Rule Set Creation](#)
- [Changes to Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Packages](#)
- [Changes to Database Vault Configuration Assistant](#)
- [Support for Oracle Recovery Manager](#)
- [SYS Control of EXECUTE Privilege for the DBMS\\_RLS PL/SQL Package](#)
- [Stronger Protection for the DVSYS Schema](#)
- [OS\\_AUTHENT\\_PREFIX Parameter No Longer Modified](#)
- [NOSYSDBA Parameter of ORAPWD Deprecated](#)

### **Integration with Oracle Enterprise Manager**

You now can perform a set of Oracle Database Vault functions from both Oracle Database Enterprise Manager Database Control Release 11.2 and Grid Control Release

10.2.0.5. This integration also applies to Releases 9.2.0.8, 10.2.0.4, and 11.1.0.7 of Oracle Database Vault.

From Database Control, you now can perform the following tasks:

- Monitor the Database Vault-enabled database
- Access Oracle Database Vault reports

From Grid Control, you can perform these tasks:

- Propagate Oracle Database Vault security policies across multiple database servers to help ensure consistent policies across the enterprise
- Administer and monitor all Oracle Database Vault-protected servers from a single centralized management console
- Automate alerts when unauthorized attempts are made to access Oracle Database Vault-protected databases
- Access Oracle Database Vault reports

See the following sections for more information:

- ["Accessing Oracle Database Vault Page from Oracle Enterprise Manager"](#) on page 3-1
- ["Using Oracle Database Vault with Oracle Enterprise Manager"](#) on page 10-1

### **Oracle Data Pump Support**

Oracle Data Pump users now can export and import data in an Oracle Database Vault environment.

See ["Using Oracle Data Pump in an Oracle Database Vault Environment"](#) on page 10-5 for more information.

### **Oracle Database Job Scheduler Support**

Users who are responsible for scheduling database jobs now can do so in an Oracle Database Vault environment.

See ["Scheduling Database Jobs in an Oracle Database Vault Environment"](#) on page 10-8 for more information.

### **Additional Oracle Database Vault Roles**

Oracle Database Vault includes the following new roles:

- DV\_MONITOR
- DV\_STREAMS\_ADMIN
- DV\_PATCH\_ADMIN

See the following sections for more information:

- ["About Oracle Database Vault Roles"](#) on page 11-3
- ["DV\\_MONITOR Database Vault Monitoring Role"](#) on page 11-7
- ["DV\\_STREAMS\\_ADMIN Oracle Streams Configuration Role"](#) on page 11-8
- ["DV\\_PATCH\\_ADMIN Database Vault Patch Upgrades Role"](#) on page 11-9

## Additional Default Rule Sets

Oracle Database Vault now provides the following additional rule sets:

- Allow Fine Grained Control of System Parameters
- Allow Oracle Data Pump Operation
- Allow Scheduler Job

See "[Default Rule Sets](#)" on page 5-2 for more information.

## Expanded Range for Fail Codes Used for Rule Set Creation

You are no longer restricted to negative numbers when you specify a fail code for the creation of a rule set. You can enter a number the ranges of -20999 to -20000 or 20000 to 20999.

See "[Error Handling Options](#)" on page 5-4 for more information.

## Changes to Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Packages

The DBMS\_MACADM and DBMS\_MACSEC\_ROLES PL/SQL packages have changed as follows:

- **The DBMS\_MACADM.CREATE\_RULE\_SET and UPDATE\_RULE\_SET procedure have a new parameter, is\_static.** The is\_static parameter determines how often a rule set is evaluated when a SQL statement accesses it. See "[CREATE\\_RULE\\_SET Procedure](#)" on page 12-14 and "[UPDATE\\_RULE\\_SET Procedure](#)" on page 12-20 for more information.
- **The DBMS\_MACADM package has the following new procedures:**
  - AUTHORIZE\_DATAPUMP\_USER authorizes an Oracle Database Pump user perform Oracle Data Pump operations when Oracle Database Vault is enabled. See "[AUTHORIZE\\_DATAPUMP\\_USER Procedure](#)" on page 12-55 for more information.
  - UNAUTHORIZE\_DATAPUMP\_USER revokes the authorization that was granted by the AUTHORIZE\_DATAPUMP\_USER procedure. See "[UNAUTHORIZE\\_DATAPUMP\\_USER Procedure](#)" on page 12-57 for more information.
  - AUTHORIZE\_SCHEDULER\_USER grants a user authorization to schedule database jobs when Oracle Database Vault is enabled. See "[AUTHORIZE\\_SCHEDULER\\_USER Procedure](#)" on page 12-56 for more information.
  - UNAUTHORIZE\_SCHEDULER\_USER revokes the authorization that was granted by the AUTHORIZE\_SCHEDULER\_USER procedure. See "[UNAUTHORIZE\\_SCHEDULER\\_USER Procedure](#)" on page 12-58 for more information.
- **The DBMS\_MACSEC\_ROLES.SET\_ROLE procedure has been enhanced.** You now can specify multiple roles with the p\_role parameter. See "[SET\\_ROLE Procedure](#)" on page 13-2 for more information.

## Changes to Database Vault Configuration Assistant

Database Vault Configuration Assistant (DVCA) has the following changes:

- **Addition of the dbuniqueName parameter.** The dbuniqueName parameter enables you to specify a globally unique name for an Oracle database. See "[Adding Languages to Oracle Database Vault](#)" on page C-9 for more information.
- **Removal of the optionrac parameter.** The optionrac parameter was used for configuring Oracle Database Vault on Oracle Real Application Clusters (Oracle RAC) nodes. The new procedure for configuring Oracle Database Vault on Oracle

RAC nodes is simpler. See ["Configuring Oracle Database Vault on Oracle RAC Nodes"](#) on page C-8 for more information.

### **Support for Oracle Recovery Manager**

You now can use Oracle Recovery Manager (RMAN) in an Oracle Database Vault environment.

See ["Using Oracle Database Vault with Oracle Recovery Manager"](#) on page 10-10.

### **SYS Control of EXECUTE Privilege for the DBMS\_RLS PL/SQL Package**

In previous releases of Oracle Database Vault, the SYS user was prevented from granting or revoking the EXECUTE privilege on the DBMS\_RLS PL/SQL package to other users. Starting with this release, user SYS can resume granting and revoking EXECUTE on DBMS\_RLS to other users.

### **Stronger Protection for the DVSYS Schema**

To keep DVSYS as a protected schema, you can no longer drop its objects, even if the recycle bin is disabled. For better security for other realms, you should disable the recycle bin.

See ["Security Considerations for the Recycle Bin"](#) on page D-9.

### **OS\_AUTHENT\_PREFIX Parameter No Longer Modified**

Oracle Database Vault no longer modifies the OS\_AUTHENT\_PREFIX initialization parameter during installation. The default value for the OS\_AUTHENT\_PREFIX parameter is OPS\$.

See *Oracle Database Reference* for more information about this parameter.

### **NOSYSDBA Parameter of ORAPWD Deprecated**

The NOSYSDBA parameter of the ORAPWD utility has been deprecated in this release. It is no longer necessary in Oracle Database Vault. As part of this deprecation, the lockout parameter of the DVCA utility has been deprecated as well.



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# Introducing Oracle Database Vault

This chapter contains:

- [What Is Oracle Database Vault?](#)
- [Components of Oracle Database Vault](#)
- [How Oracle Database Vault Addresses Compliance Regulations](#)
- [How Oracle Database Vault Addresses Insider Threats](#)
- [How Oracle Database Vault Allows for Flexible Security Policies](#)
- [How Oracle Database Vault Addresses Database Consolidation Concerns](#)

## What Is Oracle Database Vault?

Oracle Database Vault restricts access to specific areas in an Oracle database from any user, including users who have administrative access. For example, you can restrict administrative access to employee salaries, customer medical records, or other sensitive information.

This enables you to apply fine-grained access control to your sensitive data in a variety of ways. It hardens your Oracle Database instance and enforces industry standard best practices in terms of separating duties from traditionally powerful users. Most importantly, it protects your data from super-privileged users but still allows them to maintain your Oracle databases. Oracle Database Vault is an integral component of your enterprise.

With Oracle Database Vault, you address the most difficult security problems remaining today: protecting against insider threats, meeting regulatory compliance requirements, and enforcing separation of duty.

You configure Oracle Database Vault to manage the security of an individual Oracle Database instance. You can install Oracle Database Vault on standalone Oracle Database installations, in multiple Oracle homes, and in Oracle Real Application Clusters (Oracle RAC) environments.

For frequently asked questions about Oracle Database Vault, visit

<http://www.oracle.com/technetwork/database/focus-areas/security/dbv-faq-083210.html>

For Oracle Technology Network (OTN) information specific to Oracle Database Vault, visit

<http://www.oracle.com/technetwork/database/options/database-vault/index-085211.html>

## Components of Oracle Database Vault

Oracle Database Vault has the following components:

- [Oracle Database Vault Access Control Components](#)
- [Oracle Database Vault Administrator](#)
- [Oracle Database Vault Configuration Assistant](#)
- [Oracle Database Vault DVSYS and DVF Schemas](#)
- [Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Interfaces and Packages](#)
- [Oracle Database Vault and Oracle Label Security PL/SQL APIs](#)
- [Oracle Database Vault Reporting and Monitoring Tools](#)

### Oracle Database Vault Access Control Components

Oracle Database Vault enables you to create the following components to manage security for your database instance:

- **Realms.** A realm is a functional grouping of database schemas, objects, and roles that must be secured. For example, you can group a set of schemas, objects, and roles that are related to accounting, sales, or human resources. After you have grouped these into a realm, you can use the realm to control the use of system privileges to specific accounts or roles. This enables you to provide fine-grained access controls for anyone who wants to use these schemas, objects, and roles. [Chapter 4, "Configuring Realms,"](#) discusses realms in detail.
- **Command rules.** A command rule is a special rule that you can create to control how users can execute almost any SQL statement, including `SELECT`, `ALTER SYSTEM`, database definition language (DDL), and data manipulation language (DML) statements. Command rules must work with rule sets to determine whether the statement is allowed. [Chapter 6, "Configuring Command Rules,"](#) discusses command rules in detail.
- **Factors.** A factor is a named variable or attribute, such as a user location, database IP address, or session user, which Oracle Database Vault can recognize and secure. You can use factors for activities such as authorizing database accounts to connect to the database or creating filtering logic to restrict the visibility and manageability of data. Each factor can have one or more identities. An identity is the actual value of a factor. A factor can have several identities depending on the factor retrieval method or its identity mapping logic. [Chapter 7, "Configuring Factors,"](#) discusses factors in detail.
- **Rule sets.** A rule set is a collection of one or more rules that you can associate with a realm authorization, command rule, factor assignment, or secure application role. The rule set evaluates to true or false based on the evaluation of each rule it contains and the evaluation type (*All True* or *Any True*). The rule within a rule set is a PL/SQL expression that evaluates to true or false. You can have the same rule in multiple rule sets. [Chapter 5, "Configuring Rule Sets,"](#) discusses rule sets in detail.
- **Secure application roles.** A secure application role is a special Oracle Database role that can be enabled based on the evaluation of an Oracle Database Vault rule set. [Chapter 8, "Configuring Secure Application Roles for Oracle Database Vault,"](#) discusses secure application roles in detail.

To augment these components, Oracle Database Vault provides a set of PL/SQL interfaces and packages. "[Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Interfaces and Packages](#)" on page 1-3 provides an overview.



In general, the first step you take is to create a realm composed of the database schemas or database objects that you want to secure. You can further secure the realm by creating rules, command rules, factors, identities, rule sets, and secure application roles. In addition, you can run reports on the activities these components monitor and protect. [Chapter 3, "Getting Started with Oracle Database Vault,"](#) provides a simple tutorial that will familiarize you with basic Oracle Database Vault functionality. [Chapter 17, "Oracle Database Vault Reports,"](#) provides more information about how you can run reports to check the configuration and other activities that Oracle Database Vault performs.

## Oracle Database Vault Administrator

Oracle Database Vault Administrator (DVA) is a Java application that is built on top of the Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL application programming interfaces (API). This application allows security managers who may not be proficient in PL/SQL to configure the access control policy through a user-friendly interface. Oracle Database Vault Administrator provides an extensive collection of security-related reports that assist in understanding the baseline security configuration. These reports also help point out deviations from this baseline.

[Chapter 4](#) through [Chapter 9](#) explain how to use Oracle Database Vault Administrator to configure access control policy defined in realms, command rules, factors, rule sets, secure application roles, and how to integrate Oracle Database Vault with other Oracle products. [Chapter 17, "Oracle Database Vault Reports,"](#) explains Oracle Database Vault reporting.

## Oracle Database Vault Configuration Assistant

To perform maintenance tasks on your Oracle Database Vault installation, use the command-line utility Oracle Database Vault Configuration Assistant (DVCA). For more information, see [Appendix C, "Postinstallation Oracle Database Vault Procedures."](#)

## Oracle Database Vault DVSYS and DVF Schemas

Oracle Database Vault provides a schema, *DVSYS*, which stores the database objects needed to process Oracle data for Oracle Database Vault. This schema contains the roles, views, accounts, functions, and other database objects that Oracle Database Vault uses. The *DVF* schema contains public functions to retrieve (at run time) the factor values set in the Oracle Database Vault access control configuration.

[Chapter 11, "Oracle Database Vault Objects,"](#) describes these schemas in detail.

## Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Interfaces and Packages

Oracle Database Vault provides a collection of PL/SQL interfaces and packages that allow security managers or application developers to configure the access control policy as required. The PL/SQL procedures and functions allow the general database account to operate within the boundaries of access control policy in the context of a given database session.

See [Chapter 15, "Using the Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Interfaces,"](#) and [Chapter 12, "Using the DVSYS.DBMS\\_MACADM Package,"](#) for more information.

## Oracle Database Vault and Oracle Label Security PL/SQL APIs

Oracle Database Vault provides access control capabilities that can be integrated with Oracle Label Security. The Oracle Label Security database option is integrated with Oracle Enterprise Manager Database Control, which enables the security manager to define label security policy and apply it to database objects. Oracle Label Security also provides a collection of PL/SQL packages that can be used by a database application developer to provide label security policy and protections.

See ["Integrating Oracle Database Vault with Oracle Label Security"](#) on page 9-3 for more information on how Oracle Database Vault works with Oracle Label Security. See also *Oracle Label Security Administrator's Guide* for more information about Oracle Policy Manager.

## Oracle Database Vault Reporting and Monitoring Tools

You can generate reports on the various activities that Oracle Database Vault monitors. In addition, you can monitor policy changes, security violation attempts, and database configuration and structural changes.

See [Chapter 17, "Oracle Database Vault Reports,"](#) for more information about the reports that you can generate. [Chapter 16, "Monitoring Oracle Database Vault,"](#) explains how to monitor Oracle Database Vault.

## How Oracle Database Vault Addresses Compliance Regulations

One of the biggest side benefits resulting from regulatory compliance has been security awareness. Historically, the focus of the information technology (IT) department has been on high availability and performance. The focus on regulatory compliance has required everyone to take a step back and look at their IT infrastructure, databases, and applications from a security angle. Common questions include:

- Who has access to this information?
- Where is the sensitive information stored?

Regulations such as the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), International Convergence of Capital Measurement and Capital Standards: a Revised Framework (Basel II), Japan Privacy Law, Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS), and the European Union Directive on Privacy and Electronic Communications have common themes that include internal controls, separation of duty, and access control.

While most changes required by regulations such as Sarbanes-Oxley and HIPAA are procedural, the remainder may require technology investments. A common security requirement found in regulations is stringent internal controls. The degree to which Oracle Database Vault helps an organization achieve compliance varies with the regulation. In general, Oracle Database Vault realms, separation of duty features, command rules, and factors help reduce the overall security risks that regulation provisions worldwide address.

[Table 1-1](#) lists regulations that address potential security threats.

**Table 1-1 Regulations That Address Potential Security Threats**

Regulation	Potential Security Threat
Sarbanes-Oxley Section 302	Unauthorized changes to data

**Table 1–1 (Cont.) Regulations That Address Potential Security Threats**

<b>Regulation</b>	<b>Potential Security Threat</b>
Sarbanes-Oxley Section 404	Modification to data, unauthorized access
Sarbanes-Oxley Section 409	Denial of service, unauthorized access
Gramm-Leach-Bliley	Unauthorized access, modification, or disclosure
Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) 164.306	Unauthorized access to data
HIPAA 164.312	Unauthorized access to data
Basel II – Internal Risk Management	Unauthorized access to data
CFR Part 11	Unauthorized access to data
Japan Privacy Law	Unauthorized access to data
EU Directive on Privacy and Electronic Communications	Unauthorized access to data
Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS)	Unauthorized changes to data

## How Oracle Database Vault Addresses Insider Threats

For many years, worms, viruses, and the external intruder (hacker) have been perceived as the biggest threats to computer systems. Unfortunately, what is often overlooked is the potential for trusted users or privileged users to steal or modify data.

Oracle Database Vault protects against insider threats by using realms, factors, and command rules. Combined, these provide powerful security tools to help secure access to databases, applications, and sensitive information. You can combine rules and factors to control the conditions under which commands in the database are allowed to execute, and to control access to data protected by a realm. For example, you can create rules and factors to control access to data based on IP addresses, the time of day, and specific programs. These can limit access to only those connections that pass these conditions. This can prevent unauthorized access to the application data and access to the database by unauthorized applications.

Oracle Database Vault provides built-in factors that you can use in combination with rules to control access to the database, realm-protected applications, and commands within the database.

You can associate rules and factors with dozens of commands within the database to provide stronger internal controls within the database. You can customize these to meet the operational policies for your site. For example, you could define a rule to limit execution of the `ALTER SYSTEM` statement to a specific IP address and host name.

## How Oracle Database Vault Allows for Flexible Security Policies

Oracle Database Vault helps you design flexible security policies for your database. For example, any database user, such as `SYSTEM`, who has the `DBA` role, can make modifications to basic parameters in a database. Suppose an inexperienced administrator who has system privileges decides to start a new redo log file but does not realize that doing so at a particular time may cause problems for the database. With Oracle Database Vault, you can create a command rule to prevent this user from making such modifications by limiting his or her usage of the `ALTER SYSTEM SWITCH LOGFILE` statement. Furthermore, you can attach rules to the command rule to restrict activity further, such as limiting the statement's execution in the following ways:

- By time (for example, only during 4 p.m. and 5 p.m. on Friday afternoons)
- By local access only, that is, not remotely
- By IP address (for example, allowing the action to only a specified range of IP addresses)

In this way, you can carefully control and protect your system. You can disable and reenable command rules when you need to, and easily maintain them from one central location using Oracle Database Vault Administrator.

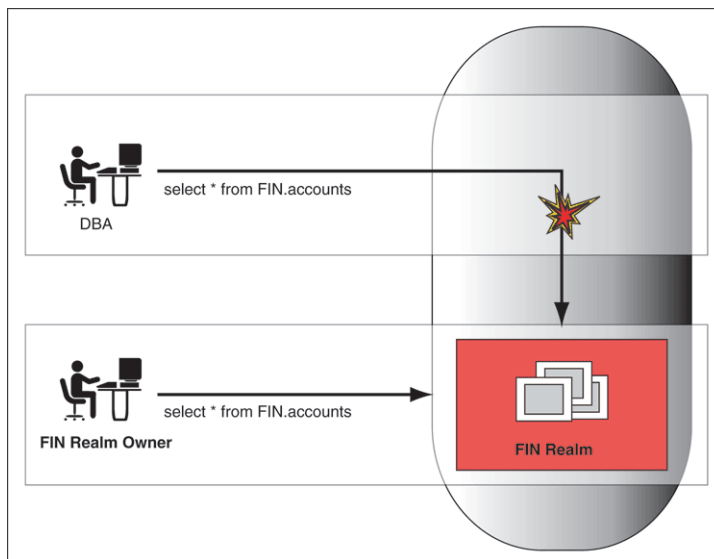
## How Oracle Database Vault Addresses Database Consolidation Concerns

Oracle customers today still have hundreds and even thousands of databases distributed throughout the enterprise and around the world. However, database consolidation will continue as a cost-saving strategy in the coming years. The physical security provided by the distributed database architecture must be available in the consolidated environment. Oracle Database Vault addresses the primary security concerns of database consolidation.

Figure 1-1 illustrates how Oracle Database Vault addresses the following database security concerns:

- **Administrative privileged account access to application data:** In this case, Oracle Database Vault prevents the DBA from accessing the schemas that are protected by the FIN Realm. Although the DBA is the most powerful and trusted user, the DBA does not need access to application data residing within the database.
- **Separation of duties for application data access:** In this case, the FIN Realm Owner, created in Oracle Database Vault, has access to the FIN Realm schemas.

Figure 1-1 Oracle Database Vault Security



Database consolidation can result in multiple powerful user accounts residing in a single database. This means that in addition to the overall database DBA, individual application schema owners also may have powerful privileges. Revoking some privileges may adversely affect existing applications. Using Oracle Database Vault realms, you can enforce access to applications through a trusted path, preventing database users who have not been specifically authorized access from using powerful

privileges to look at application data. For example, a DBA who has the `SELECT ANY TABLE` privilege can be prevented from using that privilege to view application data.



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## What to Expect After You Install Oracle Database Vault

This chapter contains:

- [Initialization and Password Parameter Settings That Change](#)
- [How Oracle Database Vault Restricts User Authorizations](#)
- [Using New Database Roles to Enforce Separation of Duties](#)
- [Privileges That Are Revoked or Prevented from Existing Users and Roles](#)
- [How Oracle Database Vault Affects Oracle Database Auditing](#)

**See Also:** [Appendix D, "Oracle Database Vault Security Guidelines,"](#) for guidelines on managing security in the Oracle Database configuration

### Initialization and Password Parameter Settings That Change

When you install Oracle Database Vault, the installation process modifies several database initialization parameter settings to better secure your database configuration. If these changes adversely affect your organizational processes or database maintenance procedures, then contact Oracle Support for help in resolving the issue.

[Table 2-1](#) describes the initialization parameter settings that Oracle Database Vault modifies. Initialization parameters are stored in the `init.ora` initialization parameter file, located in `$ORACLE_HOME/srvn/admin`. For more information about this file, see *Oracle Database Administrator's Guide*.

**Table 2-1** Modified Database Initialization Parameter Settings

Parameter	Default Value in Database	New Value Set by Database Vault	Impact of the Change
AUDIT_SYS_OPERATIONS	FALSE	TRUE	Enables the auditing of top-level operations directly issued by user SYS, and users connecting with SYSDBA or SYSOPER privilege.  For more information about AUDIT_SYS_OPERATIONS, see <i>Oracle Database Reference</i> .

**Table 2–1 (Cont.) Modified Database Initialization Parameter Settings**

Parameter	Default Value in Database	New Value Set by Database Vault	Impact of the Change
OS_ROLES	Not configured.	FALSE	<p>Disables the operating system to completely manage the granting and revoking of roles to users. Any previous grants of roles to users using GRANT statements do not change, because they are still listed in the data dictionary. Only the role grants made at the operating system-level to users apply. Users can still grant privileges to roles and users.</p> <p>For more information about OS_ROLES, see <i>Oracle Database SQL Language Reference</i>.</p>
RECYCLEBIN	ON	OFF	<p>Controls whether the Flashback Drop feature is turned on or off. If RECYCLEBIN is set to OFF, then dropped tables do not go into the recycle bin. If it is set to ON, then dropped tables go into the recycle bin, which means that they can be recovered.</p> <p><b>See Also:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <a href="#">"Security Considerations for the Recycle Bin"</a> on page D-9</li> <li>■ <i>Oracle Database Reference</i> for more information about RECYCLEBIN</li> </ul>
REMOTE_LOGIN_PASSWORDFILE	EXCLUSIVE	EXCLUSIVE	<p>Oracle Database Vault uses password files to authenticate users. The EXCLUSIVE setting enforces the use of the password file, if you installed Oracle Database Vault into a database where REMOTE_LOGIN_PASSWORDFILE is not set to EXCLUSIVE.</p> <p>For more information about REMOTE_LOGIN_PASSWORDFILE, see <i>Oracle Database SQL Language Reference</i>.</p>
SQL92_SECURITY	FALSE	TRUE	<p>Ensures that users have been granted the SELECT object privilege to execute such UPDATE or DELETE statements.</p> <p>For more information about SQL92_SECURITY, see <i>Oracle Database SQL Language Reference</i>.</p>

## How Oracle Database Vault Restricts User Authorizations

During installation of Oracle Database Vault, the installer prompts for several additional database account names. In addition, several database roles are created. These accounts are part of the separation of duties provided by Oracle Database Vault. One common audit problem that has affected several large organizations is the



unauthorized creation of new database accounts by a database administrator within a production instance.

Upon installation, Oracle Database Vault prevents anyone other than the Oracle Database Vault account manager or a user granted the Oracle Database Vault account manager role from creating users in the database.

For guidelines on managing separation of duty, see ["Separation of Duty Guidelines"](#) on page D-1.

## Using New Database Roles to Enforce Separation of Duties

To meet regulatory, privacy and other compliance requirements, Oracle Database Vault implements the concept of *separation of duty*. Oracle Database Vault makes clear separation between the account management responsibility, data security responsibility, and database resource management responsibility inside the database. This means that the concept of a superprivileged user (for example, DBA) is divided among several new database roles to ensure no one user has full control over both the data and configuration of the system. Oracle Database Vault prevents the SYS user and other accounts with the DBA role and other system privileges from designated protected areas of the database called *realms*. It also introduces new database roles called the Oracle Database Vault Owner (DV\_OWNER) and the Oracle Database Vault Account Manager (DV\_ACCTMGR). These new database roles separate the data security and the account management from the traditional DBA role. You should map these roles to distinct security professionals within your organization.

### See Also:

- ["Separation of Duty Guidelines"](#) on page D-1 for advice on managing separation of duty for your site
- ["Oracle Database Vault Roles"](#) on page 11-2 for detailed information about the roles created during the Oracle Database Vault installation
- ["Oracle Database Vault Accounts"](#) on page 11-13 for default accounts that are created and for suggestions of additional accounts that you may want to create

## Privileges That Are Revoked or Prevented from Existing Users and Roles

When you install Oracle Database Vault, it revokes a set of privileges from several Oracle Database-supplied roles, as part of the separation of duty enhancement.

[Table 2–2](#) lists privileges that Oracle Database Vault revokes from existing users and roles. Be aware that if you disable Oracle Database Vault, these privileges remain revoked. If your applications depend on these privileges, then grant them to application owner directly.

**Table 2–2 Privileges Oracle Database Vault Revokes**

User or Role	Privilege That Is Revoked
DBA role	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ BECOME USER</li> <li>■ SELECT ANY TRANSACTION</li> <li>■ CREATE ANY JOB</li> <li>■ CREATE EXTERNAL JOB</li> <li>■ EXECUTE ANY PROGRAM</li> <li>■ EXECUTE ANY CLASS</li> <li>■ MANAGE SCHEDULER</li> <li>■ DEQUEUE ANY QUEUE</li> <li>■ ENQUEUE ANY QUEUE</li> <li>■ MANAGE ANY QUEUE</li> </ul>
IMP_FULL_DATABASE role <sup>1</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ BECOME USER</li> <li>■ MANAGE ANY QUEUE</li> </ul>
EXECUTE_CATALOG_ROLE role	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ EXECUTE ON DBMS_LOGMNR</li> <li>■ EXECUTE ON DBMS_LOGMNR_D</li> <li>■ EXECUTE ON DBMS_LOGMNR_LOGREP_DICT</li> <li>■ EXECUTE ON DBMS_LOGMNR_SESSION</li> <li>■ EXECUTE ON DBMS_FILE_TRANSFER</li> </ul>
PUBLIC user	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ EXECUTE ON UTL_FILE</li> </ul>
SCHEDULER_ADMIN role <sup>2</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ CREATE ANY JOB</li> <li>■ CREATE EXTERNAL JOB</li> <li>■ EXECUTE ANY PROGRAM</li> <li>■ EXECUTE ANY CLASS</li> <li>■ MANAGE SCHEDULER</li> </ul>

<sup>1</sup> To authorize users to export and import data using Oracle Data Pump, see ["Using Oracle Data Pump in an Oracle Database Vault Environment"](#) on page 10-5.

<sup>2</sup> To authorize users to schedule database jobs, see ["Scheduling Database Jobs in an Oracle Database Vault Environment"](#) on page 10-8.

**Table 2–3** lists privileges that Oracle Database Vault prevents. When Oracle Database Vault is enabled, users who have the Database Vault Account Manager role (DV\_ACCTMGR) have the privileges listed in this table. If you disable Oracle Database Vault, users SYS and SYSTEM have these privileges.

**Table 2–3 Privileges Oracle Database Vault Prevents**

User or Role	Privilege That Is Prevented
SYS user <sup>1</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ ALTER PROFILE</li> <li>■ ALTER USER</li> <li>■ CREATE PROFILE</li> <li>■ CREATE USER</li> <li>■ DROP PROFILE</li> <li>■ DROP USER</li> </ul>

**Table 2–3 (Cont.) Privileges Oracle Database Vault Prevents**

User or Role	Privilege That Is Prevented
SYSTEM user	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ ALTER PROFILE</li> <li>■ ALTER USER</li> <li>■ CREATE PROFILE</li> <li>■ CREATE USER</li> <li>■ DROP PROFILE</li> <li>■ DROP USER</li> </ul>

<sup>1</sup> For better security and to maintain separation-of-duty standards, do not enable SYS or SYSTEM users the ability to create or manage user accounts.

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**Note:** Both the SYS and SYSTEM users retain the SELECT privilege for the DBA\_USERS\_WITH\_DEFPWD data dictionary view, which lists user accounts that use default passwords. If you want other users to have access to this view, grant them the SELECT privilege on it.

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**See Also:**

- [Table 11–1, "Privileges of Oracle Database Vault Roles"](#) on page 11-4
- ["DV\\_ACCTMGR Database Vault Account Manager Role"](#) on page 11-9

## How Oracle Database Vault Affects Oracle Database Auditing

This section contains:

- [AUD\\$ Table Moved from SYS to the SYSTEM Schema](#)
- [Modified AUDIT Statement Settings](#)

### AUD\$ Table Moved from SYS to the SYSTEM Schema

In an Oracle Database Vault environment, when Oracle Label Security is enabled, the AUD\$ table is moved from the SYS schema to the SYSTEM schema. The synonym SYS.AUD\$ is created to refer to the SYSTEM.AUD\$ table.

**Tip:** For greater security, create a realm around the SYSTEM.AUD\$ and SYS.FGA\_LOG\$ tables. See [Chapter 4, "Configuring Realms,"](#) for more information about realms.

### Modified AUDIT Statement Settings

When you install Oracle Database Vault, it configures several AUDIT statement settings in the database. See ["Oracle Database Audit Settings Created for Oracle Database Vault"](#) on page A-6 for more information.



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# Getting Started with Oracle Database Vault

This chapter contains:

- [Starting Oracle Database Vault](#)
- [Quick Start Tutorial: Securing a Schema from DBA Access](#)

## Starting Oracle Database Vault

This section describes how to start Oracle Database Vault Administrator. This section contains:

- [Accessing Oracle Database Vault Page from Oracle Enterprise Manager](#)
- [Starting Oracle Database Vault Administrator](#)

## Accessing Oracle Database Vault Page from Oracle Enterprise Manager

This section contains:

- [Accessing Oracle Database Vault Pages from Database Control](#)
- [Accessing Oracle Database Vault Pages from Grid Control](#)

### Accessing Oracle Database Vault Pages from Database Control

From Database Control, you can use the Oracle Database Vault pages to monitor a Database Vault-enabled database and view Database Vault reports.

However, you cannot create policies or perform other Database Vault Administrator-related actions from Database Control. If you want to perform these tasks, use Database Vault Administrator, described under "[Starting Oracle Database Vault Administrator](#)" on page 3-3. If you want to propagate Database Vault policies to other Database Vault-enabled databases, see "[Accessing Oracle Database Vault Pages from Grid Control](#)" on page 3-2.

To access the Oracle Database Vault pages from Database Control:

1. If necessary, register Oracle Database Vault.

If you have just installed Oracle Database Vault, you must register it with the database. See "[Registering \(Enabling\) Oracle Database Vault](#)" on page C-1 for more information.

2. Start Database Control.

For example:

`https://myserver.example.com:1158/em`

See *Oracle Database 2 Day DBA* for more information on logging in to Oracle Enterprise Manager.

3. Log in to Database Control with the following information:
  - **Username:** Enter the name of a user who has been granted the appropriate Oracle Database Vault role:
    - Creating and propagating Database Vault policies: DV\_OWNER or DV\_ADMIN
    - Viewing Database Vault alerts and reports: DV\_OWNER, DV\_ADMIN, or DV\_SECANALYST
    - Creating and managing user accounts and roles: DV\_ACCTMGR

The Oracle Database Vault roles do not need any additional privileges (such as SELECT ANY DICTIONARY) to use Database Control.

See "[About Oracle Database Vault Roles](#)" on page 11-3 for more information about these roles.

- **Password:** Enter your password.
  - **Connect As:** Select **Normal** from the list.
  - **Save as Preferred Credential check box:** Select this check box if you want these credentials to be automatically filled in for you the next time that this page appears
4. In the Home page, click **Server** to display the Server subpage.
  5. Under Security, select **Database Vault**.

The Oracle Database Vault home page appears.

### Accessing Oracle Database Vault Pages from Grid Control

From Grid Control, you can use the Oracle Database Vault pages to propagate Database Vault policies to other Database Vault-protected databases, administer and monitor Database Vault-protected databases from a centralized console, automate alerts, and view Database Vault reports.

However, you cannot create policies or perform other Database Vault Administrator-related actions from Grid Control. If you want to perform these tasks, use Database Vault Administrator, described under "[Starting Oracle Database Vault Administrator](#)" on page 3-3.

To access the Oracle Database Vault pages from Grid Control:

1. Ensure that you have configured the Grid Control target databases that you plan to use with Database Vault.

See the Oracle Enterprise Manager online help and *Oracle Enterprise Manager Advanced Configuration* for more information about configuring target databases.

2. If necessary, register Oracle Database Vault.

If you have just installed Oracle Database Vault, you must register it with the database. See "[Registering \(Enabling\) Oracle Database Vault](#)" on page C-1 for more information.

3. Start Grid Control.

For example:

`https://myserver.example.com:1158/em`

See *Oracle Database 2 Day DBA* for more information on logging in to Oracle Enterprise Manager.

4. Log in to Oracle Enterprise Manager as user `SYSMAN` and connect as `Normal`.
5. In the Oracle Enterprise Manager Database Home page (Database Home page), select the **Targets** subpage.
6. Select the **Databases** subpage.
7. In the Databases page, select the link for the Oracle Database Vault-protected database to which you want to connect.

The home page for the database instance appears.

8. In the Home page, click **Server** to display the Server subpage.
9. Under Security, select **Database Vault**.

The Database Login page appears.

10. Enter the following information:

- **Username:** Enter the name of a user who has been granted the appropriate Oracle Database Vault role:
  - Creating and propagating Database Vault policies: `DV_OWNER` or `DV_ADMIN`
  - Viewing Database Vault alerts and reports: `DV_OWNER`, `DV_ADMIN`, or `DV_SECANALYST`
  - Creating and managing user accounts and roles: `DV_ACCTMGR`

The Oracle Database Vault roles do not need any additional privileges (such as `SELECT ANY DICTIONARY`) to use Grid Control.

See "[About Oracle Database Vault Roles](#)" on page 11-3 for more information.

- **Password:** Enter your password.
  - **Connect As:** Select **Normal** from the list.
  - **Save as Preferred Credential check box:** Select this check box if you want these credentials to be automatically filled in for you the next time that this page appears
11. Click the **Login** button.

The Database Vault home page appears.

**See Also:** "[Using Oracle Database Vault with Oracle Enterprise Manager](#)" on page 10-1

## Starting Oracle Database Vault Administrator

If you are not using Oracle Enterprise Manager Database Control or Grid Control, or if you want to connect to Oracle Database Vault from a different computer, follow these steps to start Oracle Database Vault Administrator.

1. If necessary, register Oracle Database Vault.

If you have just installed Oracle Database Vault, you must register it with the database. See "[Registering \(Enabling\) Oracle Database Vault](#)" on page C-1 for more information.

2. From a browser, enter the following URL:

```
https://host_name:port/dva
```

In this specification:

- *host\_name*: The server where you installed Oracle Database Vault
- *port*: The Oracle Enterprise Manager Console HTTPS port number

For example:

```
https://myserver:1158/dva
```

If you are unsure of the port number, open the `$ORACLE_HOME/host_sid/sysman/config/emd.properties` file and search for `REPOSITORY_URL`. In most cases, the host name and port number are the same as Oracle Enterprise Database Control.

If you cannot start Oracle Database Vault Administrator, check that the Oracle database console process is running.

- **UNIX:** Go to the `$ORACLE_HOME/bin` directory and run the following command:

```
./emctl status dbconsole
```

If you must start the `dbconsole` process, then run the following command:

```
./emctl start dbconsole
```

- **Windows:** In the Administrative Services, select the Services utility, and then right-click the **OracleDBConsolesid** service. If necessary, select **Start** from the menu to start the database console.

Log files for the database are in the following directory:

```
$ORACLE_HOME/sysman/log
```

3. Log in by using the Oracle Database Vault Owner account that you created during installation.

To log in, you must enter the full connect string. This enables you to manage multiple Oracle Database instances with Oracle Database Vault.

By default, you cannot log in to Oracle Database Vault Administrator by using the `SYS`, `SYSTEM`, or other administrative accounts. You can log in if you have the `DV_ADMIN` or `DV_OWNER` roles.

Enter the following values:

- **User Name:** Enter the name of a user who has been granted the appropriate Oracle Database Vault role:
  - Creating and managing Database Vault policies: `DV_OWNER` or `DV_ADMIN`
  - Viewing Database Vault reports: `DV_OWNER`, `DV_ADMIN`, or `DV_SECANALYST`
  - Creating and managing user accounts and roles: `DV_ACCTMGR`

See "[About Oracle Database Vault Roles](#)" on page 11-3 for more information.

- **Password:** Enter your password.
- **Host:** Enter the host name of the computer of the Oracle Database Vault installation you want. Use the following format:



*server.domain*

For example:

*myserver-pc.us.example.com*

- **Port:** Enter the port number for Oracle Database. The default port number is 1521. If you are unsure of the port number, check the `tnsnames.ora` file.

For example:

1521

- **SID/Service:** Select either **SID** or **Service**. You can find these values in the `tnsnames.ora` file. By default, this file is located in `$ORACLE_HOME/network/admin`.

- **SID:** Enter the name of the Oracle Database instance. For example:

*orcl*

- **Service:** Enter the service name of the database instance, in the following format:

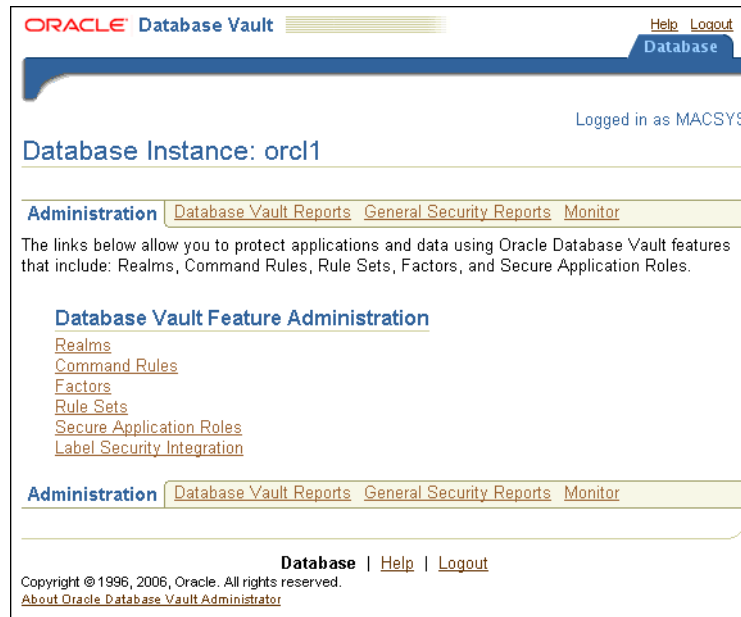
*service\_name.domain*

For example:

*orcl.us.example.com*

Figure 3–1 shows the Oracle Database Vault Administrator home page, which appears after you log in.

**Figure 3–1 Oracle Database Vault Administrator Home Page**



## Quick Start Tutorial: Securing a Schema from DBA Access

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### About This Tutorial

In this tutorial, you create a simple security configuration for the HR sample database schema. In the HR schema, the EMPLOYEES table has information such as salaries that should be hidden from most employees in the company, including those with administrative access. To accomplish this, you add the HR schema to the secured objects of the protection zone, which in Oracle Database Vault is called a *realm*, inside the database. Then you grant limited authorizations to this realm. Afterward, you test the realm to make sure it has been properly secured. And finally, to see how Oracle Database Vault provides an audit trail on suspicious activities like the one you will try when you test the realm, you will run a report.

Before you can use this tutorial, ensure that the HR sample schema is installed. See *Oracle Database Sample Schemas* for information on installing the sample schemas.

### Step 1: Adding the SYSTEM User to the Data Dictionary Realm

In this tutorial, the SYSTEM user grants the ANY privilege to a new user account, SEBASTIAN. To do this, you must include SYSTEM in the Oracle Data Dictionary realm.

To include SYSTEM in the Oracle Data Dictionary realm:

1. Log in to Oracle Database Vault Administrator as a user who has been granted the DV\_OWNER or DV\_ADMIN role.  
["Starting Oracle Database Vault"](#) on page 3-1 explains how to log in.
2. In the Administration page, under Database Vault Feature Administration, click **Realms**.
3. In the Realms page, select **Oracle Data Dictionary** from the list and then click **Edit**.
4. In the Edit Realm: Oracle Data Dictionary page, under Realm Authorizations, click **Create**.
5. In the Create Realm Authorization Page, from the Grantee list, select **SYSTEM [USER]**.
6. For Authorization Type, select **Owner**.
7. Leave Authorization Rule Set at **<Non Selected>**.
8. Click **OK**.

In the Edit Realm: Oracle Data Dictionary page, *SYSTEM* should be listed as an owner under the Realm Authorizations.

9. Click **OK** to return to the Realms page.
10. To return to the Administration page, click the **Database Instance** *instance\_name* link over Realms.

## Step 2: Log On as SYSTEM to Access the HR Schema

Log in to SQL\*Plus as user *SYSTEM* and access the HR schema.

```
sqlplus system
Enter password: password
```

```
SELECT FIRST_NAME, LAST_NAME, SALARY FROM HR.EMPLOYEES WHERE ROWNUM < 10;
```

Output similar to the following appears:

FIRST_NAME	LAST_NAME	SALARY
Donald	OConnell	2600
Douglas	Grant	2600
Jennifer	Whalen	4400
Michael	Hartstein	13000
Pat	Fay	6000
Susan	Mavris	6500
Hermann	Baer	10000
Shelley	Higgins	12000
William	Gietz	8300

9 rows selected.

If the HR schema is locked and expired, log in to SQL\*Plus as the *DV\_ACCTMGR* user and unlock and unexpire the account. For example:

```
sqlplus amalcolm_dvacctmgr
Enter password: password
```

```
ALTER USER HR ACCOUNT UNLOCK IDENTIFIED BY password
```

Replace *password* with a password that is secure. See *Oracle Database Security Guide* for the minimum requirements for creating passwords.

As you can see, *SYSTEM* has access to the salary information in the *EMPLOYEES* table of the HR schema. This is because *SYSTEM* is automatically granted the *DBA* role, which includes the *SELECT ANY TABLE* system privilege.

## Step 3: Create a Realm

Realms can protect one or more schemas, individual schema objects, and database roles. Once you create a realm, you can create security restrictions that apply to the schemas and their schema objects within the realm. Your first step is to create a realm for the HR schema.

1. In the Realms page of Oracle Database Vault Administrator, click **Create**.
2. In the Create Realm page, under General, enter HR Realm after **Name**.
3. After Status, ensure that **Enabled** is selected so that the realm can be used.

4. Under Audit Options, ensure that **Audit On Failure** is selected so that you can create an audit trail later on.
5. Click **OK**.

The Realms Summary page appears, with HR Realm in the list of realms.

#### Step 4: Secure the EMPLOYEES Table in the HR Schema

At this stage, you are ready to add the EMPLOYEES table in the HR schema to the secured objects of the HR realm.

1. In the Realms page, select **HR Realm** from the list and then click **Edit**.
2. In the Edit Realm: HR Realm page, scroll to Realm Secured Objects and then click **Create**.
3. In the Create Realm Secured Object page, enter the following settings:
  - **Object Owner:** Select **HR** from the list.
  - **Object Type:** Select **TABLE** from the list
  - **Object Name:** Enter **EMPLOYEES**.
4. Click **OK**.
5. In the Edit Realm: HR Realm page, click **OK**.

#### Step 5: Create an Authorization for the Realm

At this stage, there are no database accounts or roles authorized to access or otherwise manipulate the database objects the realm will protect. So, the next step is to authorize database accounts or database roles so that they can have access to the schemas within the realm. You will create the SEBASTIAN user account. After you authorize him for the realm, SEBASTIAN can view and modify the EMPLOYEES table.

1. In SQL\*Plus, connect as the Database Vault Account Manager, who has the DV\_ACCTMGR role, and create user SEBASTIAN.

For example:

```
CONNECT amalcolm_dvacctmgr
Enter password: password
```

```
CREATE USER SEBASTIAN IDENTIFIED BY password;
```

Replace *password* with a password that is secure. See *Oracle Database Security Guide* for the minimum requirements for creating passwords.

2. Connect as SYSTEM privilege, and then grant SEBASTIAN the following additional privileges.

```
CONNECT SYSTEM
Enter password: password
```

```
GRANT CREATE SESSION, SELECT ANY TABLE TO SEBASTIAN;
```

Do not exit SQL\*Plus; you will need it for [Step 6: Test the Realm](#), when you test the realm.

At this stage, even though SEBASTIAN has the SELECT ANY TABLE privilege, he cannot select from the HR.EMPLOYEES table because it is protected by a realm.

Next, authorize user SEBASTIAN to have access to the HR Realm as follows:

1. In the Realms page of Database Vault Administrator, select the **HR Realm** in the list of realms, and then click **Edit**.
2. In the Edit Realm: HR Realm page, scroll down to Realm Authorizations and then click **Create**.
3. In the Create Realm Authorization page, under Grantee, select **SEBASTIAN[USER]** from the list.  
If SEBASTIAN does not appear in the list, select the **Refresh** button in your browser. SEBASTIAN is the only user who has access to the EMPLOYEES table in the HR schema.
4. Under Authorization Type, select **Participant**.  
The Participant authorization allows the user SEBASTIAN in the HR realm to manage access, manipulate, and create objects protected by the HR realm. In this case, the HR user and SEBASTIAN are the only users allowed to view the EMPLOYEES table.
5. Under Authorization Rule Set, select **<Not Assigned>**, because rule sets are not needed to govern this realm.
6. Click **OK**.

## Step 6: Test the Realm

To test the realm, try accessing the EMPLOYEES table as a user other than HR. The SYSTEM account normally has access to all objects in the HR schema, but now that you have safeguarded the EMPLOYEES table with Oracle Database Vault, this is no longer the case.

In SQL\*Plus, connect as SYSTEM, and then try accessing the salary information in the EMPLOYEES table again:

```
sqlplus system
Enter password: password
```

```
SELECT FIRST_NAME, LAST_NAME, SALARY FROM HR.EMPLOYEES WHERE ROWNUM <10;
```

The following output should appear:

```
Error at line 1:
ORA-01031: insufficient privileges
```

SYSTEM no longer has access to the salary information in the EMPLOYEES table. However, user SEBASTIAN does have access to this information. Try the following:

```
CONNECT SEBASTIAN
Enter password: password
```

```
SELECT FIRST_NAME, LAST_NAME, SALARY FROM HR.EMPLOYEES WHERE ROWNUM <10;
```

Output similar to the following appears:

FIRST_NAME	LAST_NAME	SALARY
Donald	OConnell	2600
Douglas	Grant	2600
Jennifer	Whalen	4400
Michael	Hartstein	13000
Pat	Fay	6000
Susan	Mavris	6500
Hermann	Baer	10000
Shelley	Higgins	12000

William

Gietz

8300

9 rows selected.

## Step 7: Run a Report

Because you enabled auditing on failure for the HR Realm, you can generate a report to find any security violations such as the one you attempted in [Step 6: Test the Realm](#).

1. In the Oracle Database Vault Administrator home page, click **Database Vault Reports**.

Before you can run the report, you must log in using an account that has the DV\_OWNER, DV\_ADMIN, or DV\_SECANALYST role. Note that user SEBASTIAN cannot run the report, even if it affects his own realm. "[Oracle Database Vault Roles](#)" on page 11-2 describes these roles in detail. Currently, you should be logged in as the Database Vault Owner (DV\_OWNER) account.

2. In the Database Vault Reports page, scroll down to Database Vault Auditing Reports and select **Realm Audit**.
3. Click **Run Report**.

Oracle Database Vault generates a report listing the type of violation (in this case, the SELECT statement entered in the previous section), when and where it occurred, the login account who tried the violation, and what the violation was.

## Step 8: Remove the Components for This Tutorial

1. Remove the SYSTEM account from the Data Dictionary Realm.
  - a. Ensure that you are logged on to Oracle Database Vault Administrator using a database account that has been granted the DV\_OWNER role.
  - b. From the Administration page, select **Realms**.
  - c. From the list of realms, select Oracle Data Dictionary, and then click **Edit**.
  - d. Under Realm Authorizations, select SYSTEM.
  - e. Click **Remove**, and in the Confirmation window, click **Yes**.
2. Delete the HR Realm.
  - a. In the Realms page, select HR Realm from the list of realms.
  - b. Click **Remove**, and in the Confirmation window, click **Yes**.
3. Drop user SEBASTIAN.

In SQL\*Plus, log on as the Oracle Database Vault account manager (for example, amalcolm\_dvacctmgr) you created when you installed Oracle Database Vault, and then drop SEBASTIAN as follows:

```
sqlplus amalcolm_dvacctmgr
Enter password: password
```

```
DROP USER SEBASTIAN;
```

4. If necessary, lock and expire the HR account.

```
ALTER USER HR ACCOUNT LOCK PASSWORD EXPIRE;
```

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## Configuring Realms

This chapter contains:

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### What Are Realms?

A **realm** is a functional grouping of database schemas and roles that must be secured for a given application. Think of a realm as zone of protection for your database objects. A **schema** is a logical collection of database objects such as tables, views, and packages, and a **role** is a collection of privileges. By classifying schemas and roles into functional groups, you can control the ability of users to use system privileges against these groups and prevent unauthorized data access by the database administrator or other powerful users with system privileges. Oracle Database Vault does not replace the discretionary access control model in the existing Oracle database. It functions as a layer on top of this model for both realms and command rules.

After you create a realm, you can register a set of schema objects or roles (secured objects) for realm protection and authorize a set of users or roles to access the secured objects.

For example, after you install Oracle Database Vault, you can create a realm to protect all existing database schemas that are used in an accounting department. The realm prohibits any user who is not authorized to the realm to use system privileges to access the secured accounting data.

You can run reports on realms that you create in Oracle Database Vault. See ["Related Reports and Data Dictionary Views"](#) on page 4-13 for more information.

This chapter explains how to configure realms by using Oracle Database Vault Administrator. To configure realms by using the PL/SQL interfaces and packages provided by Oracle Database Vault, refer to the following chapters:

- [Chapter 12, "Using the DVSYS.DBMS\\_MACADM Package"](#)
- [Chapter 15, "Using the Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Interfaces"](#)

## Default Realms

Oracle Database Vault provides the following default realms:

- **Database Vault Account Management:** Defines the realm for the administrators who manage and create database accounts and database profiles.
- **Oracle Data Dictionary:** Defines the realm for the following Oracle Catalog schemas.

ANONYMOUS	DBSNMP	MDSYS	SYS
BI	EXFSYS	MGMT_VIEW	SYSMAN
CTXSYS	MDDATA	OUTLN	SYSTEM

This realm also controls the ability to grant system privileges and database administrator roles.

- **Oracle Database Vault:** Defines the realm for the Oracle Database Vault schemas (DVSYS, DVF, and LBACSYS), such as configuration and roles information.
- **Oracle Enterprise Manager:** Defines the realm for Oracle Enterprise Manager accounts (SYSMAN and DBSNMP) to access database information

## Creating a Realm

In general, to enable realm protection, you first create the realm itself, and then you edit the realm to include realm-secured objects, roles, and authorizations. ["Guidelines for Designing Realms"](#) on page 4-11 provides advice on creating realms.

To create a realm:

1. Log in to Oracle Database Vault Administrator as a user who has been granted the DV\_OWNER or DV\_ADMIN role.  
["Starting Oracle Database Vault"](#) on page 3-1 explains how to log in.
2. In the Administration page, under Database Vault Feature Administration, click **Realms**.
3. In the Realms page, click **Create**.
4. In the Create Realm page, enter the following settings:
  - Under General:



- **Name:** Enter a name for the realm. It can contain up to 90 characters in mixed-case. This attribute is mandatory.

Oracle suggests that you use the name of the protected application as the realm name (for example, `hr_app` for an human resources application).

- **Description:** Enter a brief description of the realm. The description can contain up to 1024 characters in mixed-case. This attribute is optional.

You may want to include a description the business objective of the given application protection and document all other security policies that compliment the realm's protection. Also document who is authorized to the realm, for what purpose, and any possible emergency authorizations.

- **Status:** Select either **Enabled** or **Disabled** to enable or disable the realm. A realm is enabled by default. This attribute is mandatory.

- Under Audit Options, select one of the following:

- **Audit Disabled:** Does not create an audit record.
- **Audit On Failure:** Default. Creates an audit record when a realm violation occurs (for example, when an unauthorized user tries to modify an object that is protected by the realm).
- **Audit On Success or Failure:** Creates an audit record for any activity that occurs in the realm, including both authorized and unauthorized activities.

For additional audit options, see "[CREATE\\_REALM Procedure](#)" on page 12-5.

Oracle Database Vault writes the audit trail to the `DVSYS.AUDIT_TRAIL$` system file, described in [Appendix A, "Auditing Oracle Database Vault."](#)

#### 5. Click **OK**.

The Realms Summary page appears, listing the new realm that you created.

After you create a new realm, you are ready to add schema and database objects to the realm for realm protection, and to authorize users and roles to access the realm. To do so, you edit the new realm and then add its objects and its authorized users.

#### **See Also:**

- "[Editing a Realm](#)" on page 4-3
- "[Creating Realm-Secured Objects](#)" on page 4-4
- "[Defining Realm Authorization](#)" on page 4-5
- "[Propagating Oracle Database Vault Policies to Other Databases](#)" on page 10-2

## Editing a Realm

To edit a realm:

1. In the Oracle Database Vault Administration page, select **Realms**.
2. In the Realm page, select the realm that you want to edit.
3. Click **Edit**.
4. Modify the realm as necessary, and then click **OK**.

**See Also:**

- ["Creating a Realm"](#) on page 4-2 to modify the settings created for a new realm
- ["Creating Realm-Secured Objects"](#) on page 4-4 to add or modify realm secured objects
- ["Defining Realm Authorization"](#) on page 4-5 to add or modify the realm authorizations

## Creating Realm-Secured Objects

Realm-secured objects define the *territory* that a realm protects. The realm territory is a set of schema and database objects and roles. You can create the following types of protections:

- Objects from multiple database accounts or schemas can be under the same realm.
- One object can belong to multiple realms.

If an object belongs to multiple realms, then Oracle Database Vault checks the realms for permissions. For `SELECT`, `DDL`, and `DML` statements, as long as a user is a participant in one of the realms, and if the command rules permit it, the commands the user enters are allowed. For `GRANT` and `REVOKE` operations of a database role in multiple realms, the person performing the `GRANT` or `REVOKE` operation must be the realm owner.

You can manage the objects secured by a realm from the Edit Realm page, which lets you create, edit, and delete realm secured objects.

To create a realm secured object:

1. In the Oracle Database Vault Administration page, select **Realms**.
2. In the Realms page, select the realm you want, and then select **Edit**.
3. In the Edit Realm page, under Realm Secured Objects, do one of the following:
  - To create a new realm-secured object, select **Create**.
  - To modify an existing object, select it from the list and then select **Edit**.
4. In the Create Realm Secured Object page, enter the following settings:
  - **Object Owner:** From the list, select the name of the database schema owner. This attribute is mandatory.

If you are creating a realm around the `AUD$` system table, then specify `SYSTEM` as the object owner. In an Oracle Database Vault environment, the `AUD$` table is moved to the `SYSTEM` schema.
  - **Object Type:** From the list, select the object type of the database object, such as `TABLE`, `INDEX`, or `ROLE`. This attribute is mandatory.

By default, the **Object Type** box contains the % wildcard character to include all object types for the specified **Object Owner**. However, it does not include roles, which do not have specific schema owners in the database and must be specified explicitly.
  - **Object Name:** Enter the name of the object in the database that the realm must protect, or enter % to specify all objects (except roles) for the object owner that you have specified. However, you cannot use wildcard characters with text such to specify multiple object names (for example, `EMP_%` to specify all tables

beginning with the characters EMP\_). Nor can you use the wildcard character to select multiple roles; you must enter role names individually. This attribute is mandatory.

By default, the **Object Name** field contains the % wildcard character to encompass the entire schema specified for **Object Type** and **Object Owner**. Note that the % wildcard character applies to objects that do not yet exist and currently existing objects. Note also that the % wildcard character does not apply to roles. If you want to include multiple roles, you must specify each role separately.

5. Click **OK**.

For example, to secure the EMPLOYEES table in the HR schema, you would enter the following settings in the Create Realm Secured Object page:

- **Object Owner:** HR
- **Object Type:** TABLE
- **Object Name:** EMPLOYEES

### Editing a Realm-Secured Object

To edit a realm-secured object:

1. Select the object under Realm Secured Objects in the Edit Realm page.
2. Click **Edit**.
3. In the Edit Realm Secured Object page, edit the attributes as required.
4. Click **OK**.

### Deleting a Realm-Secured Object

To delete a realm-secured object:

1. Select the object under Realm Secured Objects in the Edit Realm page.
2. Click **Remove**.

A confirmation page is displayed.

3. Click **Yes**.

This dissociates the object from the realm and unsecures it. (The regular database protections still apply.) However, it does not remove the object from the database.

## Defining Realm Authorization

Realm authorizations establish the set of database accounts and roles that manage or access objects protected in realms. A realm authorization can be an account or role that is authorized to use its system privileges in the following situations:

- When the user must create or access realm-secured objects
- When a user must grant or revoke realm-secured roles

A user who has been granted realm authorization as either a realm owner or a realm participant can use its system privileges to access secured objects in the realm.

Note the following:

- The authorization that you set up here does not affect regular users who have normal direct object privileges to the database objects that are protected by realms.

- Realm owners cannot add other users to their realms as owners or participants. Only users who have the `DV_OWNER` or `DV_ADMIN` role are allowed to add users as owners or participants to a realm.
- A realm owner, but not a realm participant, can grant or revoke realm secured database roles to anyone.
- A user can be granted either as a realm owner or a realm participant, but not both. However, you can update the authorization options of a realm authorization.

Use the Edit Realm page to manage realm authorizations. You can create, edit, and remove realm authorizations. To track configuration information for the authorization of a realm, see "[Realm Authorization Configuration Issues Report](#)" on page 17-3.

To create a realm authorization:

1. In the Oracle Database Vault Administration page, select **Realms**.
2. In the Realms page, select the realm you want, and then select **Edit**.
3. In the Edit Realm page, under Realm Authorizations, do one of the following:
  - To create a new realm authorization, select **Create**.
  - To modify an existing realm authorization, select it from the list and then select **Edit**.
4. Click **Create** under Realm Authorizations in the Edit Realm page.
5. In the Create Realm Authorization page, enter the following settings:
  - **Grantee:** From the list, select the Oracle database account or role to whom you want to grant the realm authorization. This attribute is mandatory.

This list shows all accounts and roles in the system, not just accounts with system privileges.

You cannot select yourself (that is, the user logged in) or any account that has been granted the `DV_ADMIN`, `DV_OWNER`, or `DV_SECANALYST` roles from this list.
  - **Authorization Type:** Select either of the following. This attribute is mandatory.
    - **Participant:** Default. This account or role provides system or direct privileges to access, manipulate, and create objects protected by the realm, provided these rights have been granted using the standard Oracle Database privilege grant process. A realm can have multiple participants.
    - **Owner:** This account or role has the same privileges as the realm participant, plus the authorization to grant or revoke realm-secured database roles. The realm owner can grant privileges on realm-protected objects to other users. A realm can have multiple owners.
  - **Authorization Rule Set:** Select from the available rule sets that have been created for your site. You can select only one rule set, but the rule set can have multiple rules.

See "[Creating a Rule to Add to a Rule Set](#)" on page 5-6 for more information about defining rules to govern the realm authorization.

Any auditing and custom event handling associated with the rule set occurs as part of the realm authorization processing.
6. Click **OK**.

### Editing a Realm Authorization

To edit a realm authorization:

1. Select the realm authorization under Realm Authorizations in the Edit Realm page.
2. Click **Edit**.  
The Edit Realm Authorization page is displayed.
3. Edit the attributes as required.
4. Click **OK**.

### Deleting a Realm Authorization

To delete a realm authorization:

1. Select the realm authorization under Realm Authorizations in the Edit Realm page.
2. Click **Remove**.  
A confirmation page is displayed.
3. Click **Yes**.

## Disabling and Enabling a Realm

By default, when you create a realm, it is enabled. You can disable a realm (for example, for system maintenance such as patch updates), and then enable it again afterward.

To disable or enable a realm:

1. In the Oracle Database Vault Administration page, select **Realms**.
2. In the Realms page, select the realm you want to disable or enable, and then select **Edit**.
3. In the Edit Realm page, under Status in the General section, select either **Disabled** or **Enabled**.
4. Click **OK**.

## Deleting a Realm

Before you delete a realm, you can locate the various references to it by querying the realm-related Oracle Database Vault views. See "[Oracle Database Vault Data Dictionary Views](#)" on page 11-15 for more information.

To delete a realm:

1. In the Oracle Database Vault Administration page, select **Realms**.
2. In the Realms page, select the realm you want to delete, and then select **Remove**.
3. In the Confirmation page, click **Yes**.

Oracle Database Vault deletes the configuration for a realm (header, secure objects, and authorizations). It does not delete the rule sets within the realm.

## How Realms Work

When a database account that has the appropriate privileges issues a SQL statement (that is, DDL, DML, EXECUTE, GRANT, REVOKE, or SELECT) that affects an object within a customer-defined realm, the following actions occur:

1. Is the database account using a system privilege to execute the SQL statement?

If yes, then go to Step 2. If no, then go to Step 6. If the session has object privileges on the object in question for SELECT, EXECUTE, and DML only, then the realm protection is not enforced. Realms protect against the use of any system privilege on objects or roles protected by the realm.

Remember that if the `O7_DICTIONARY_ACCESSIBILITY` initialization parameter has been set to `TRUE`, then non-SYS users have access to SYS schema objects. For better security, ensure that `O7_DICTIONARY_ACCESSIBILITY` is set to `FALSE`.

2. Does the SQL statement affect objects secured by a realm?

If yes, then go to Step 3. If no, then realms do not affect the SQL statement; go to Step 6. If the object affected by the command is not secured in any realms, then realms do not affect the SQL statement being attempted.

3. Is the database account a realm owner or realm participant?

If yes, and if the command is a GRANT or REVOKE of a role that is protected by the realm, or the GRANT or REVOKE of an object privilege on an object protected by the realm, the session must be authorized as the realm owner directly or indirectly through roles. Remember that a role protected by realm is not the same as an authorized role in the realm. Then go to Step 4. Otherwise, realm violation occurs and the statement is not allowed to succeed. Note that SYS is the only realm owner in the default Oracle Data Dictionary Realm, and only SYS can grant system privileges to a database account or role.

4. Is the realm authorization for the database account conditionally based on a rule set?

If yes, then go to Step 5. If no, then go to Step 6.

5. Does the rule set evaluate to true?

If yes, then go to Step 6. If no, then there is a realm violation, so the SQL statement is not allowed to succeed.

6. Does a command rule prevent the command from executing?

If yes, then there is a command rule violation and the SQL statement fails. If no, there is no realm or command rule violation, so the command succeeds.

For example, the HR account may have the `DROP ANY TABLE` privilege and may be the owner of the HR realm, but a command rule can prevent HR from dropping any tables in the HR schema unless it is during its monthly maintenance window.

Command rules apply to the use of the ANY system privileges and direct object privileges and are evaluated after the realm checks.

In addition, because a session is authorized in a realm, it does not mean the account has full control on objects protected by the realm. Realm authorization does *not* implicitly grant extra privileges to the account. The account still must have system privileges or object privileges to access the objects. For example, an account or role may have the `SELECT ANY table` privilege and be a participant in the HR realm. This means the account or the account granted the role could query the `HR.EMPLOYEES` table. Being a participant in the realm does not mean the account or role can `DROP` the `HR.EMPLOYEES` table. Oracle Database Vault does not replace the discretionary access

control model in the existing Oracle database. It functions as a layer on top of this model for both realms and command rules.

Note the following:

- Protecting a table in a realm does not protect the view by default. Any view that must be protected should be added to the realm regardless of whether the view was created before or after the table was added to the realm.
- For invoker's right procedures that access realm protected objects, the invoker of the procedure must be authorized to the realm.
- The execution of PL/SQL procedures that are owned by `SYS` are subject to the Oracle Data Dictionary realm enforcement. (The Oracle Data Dictionary realm is one of the default realms provided by Oracle Database Vault. See ["Default Realms"](#) on page 4-2 for more information.) However, the session must have `EXECUTE` privilege on the procedure as normally required in the Oracle database.
- Be aware that realm protection does not protect a table if access to the table has been granted to `PUBLIC`. For example, if `SELECT ON table_name` is granted to `PUBLIC`, then every user has access to `table_name`, even if this table is protected by a realm. As a best practice, revoke unnecessary privileges from `PUBLIC`.

## How Authorizations Work in a Realm

Realms protect data from access through system privileges; realms do not give additional privileges to its owner or participants. The realm authorization provides a run-time mechanism to check logically if a user's command is allowed to access objects specified in the command and to proceed with its execution.

System privileges are sweeping database privileges such as `CREATE ANY TABLE` and `DELETE ANY TABLE`. These privileges typically apply across schemas and bypass the need for direct privileges. Data dictionary views such as `DBA_SYS_PRIVS`, `USER_SYS_PRIVS`, and `ROLE_SYS_PRIVS` list the system privileges for database accounts and roles. Database authorizations work normally for objects not protected by a realm. However, a user must be authorized as a realm owner or participant to successfully use his or her system privileges on objects secured by the realm. A realm violation prevents the use of system privileges and can be audited.

[Example 4-1](#) shows what happens when an unauthorized user who has the `CREATE ANY TABLE` system privilege tries to create a table in a realm where the `HR` schema is protected by a realm.

### **Example 4-1 Unauthorized User Trying to Create a Table**

```
CREATE TABLE HR.demo2 (col1 NUMBER(1));
```

The following output should appear

```
ORA-47401: Realm violation for CREATE TABLE on HR.DEMO2
```

As you can see, the attempt by the unauthorized user fails. Unauthorized use of system privileges such as `SELECT ANY TABLE`, `CREATE ANY TABLE`, `DELETE ANY TABLE`, `UPDATE ANY TABLE`, `INSERT ANY TABLE`, `CREATE ANY INDEX`, and others results in failure.

[Example 4-2](#) shows what happens when an unauthorized database account tries to use his `DELETE ANY TABLE` system privilege to delete an existing record, the database session returns the following error.

**Example 4–2 Unauthorized User Trying to Use the DELETE ANY TABLE Privilege**

```
DELETE FROM HR.employees WHERE empno = 8002;
```

The following output should appear:

```
ERROR at line 1:
ORA-01031: insufficient privileges
```

Realms do not affect direct privileges on objects. For example, a user granted delete privileges to the HR.EMPLOYEES table can successfully delete records without requiring realm authorizations. Therefore, realms should minimally affect normal business application usage for database accounts.

[Example 4–3](#) shows how an authorized user can perform standard tasks allowed within the realm.

**Example 4–3 Authorized User Performing DELETE Operation**

```
DELETE FROM HR.employees WHERE empno = 8002;
```

```
1 row deleted.
```

## Enabling Access to Objects That Are Protected by a Realm

There are situations in which you may want to protect an object by a realm, but still enable access to objects that are part of this realm-protected object. For example, suppose you create a realm around a specific table. However, you want users to be able to create an index on this table. You can accomplish this as follows, depending on the following scenarios.

- **The user does not have the CREATE ANY INDEX privilege.** As the realm owner of the table, grant the `CREATE INDEX ON table` privilege to the user who must create the realm.
- **The user has the CREATE ANY INDEX privilege.** In this case, create another realm and make all index types as the secured objects and grant that user participant authorization to the realm. (Remember that having the `CREATE ANY INDEX` privilege alone is not sufficient for a non-realm participant to create an index in a realm-protected table.)
- **You want all of your database administrators to be able to create an index and they have the CREATE ANY INDEX privilege.** In your data protection realm, specify all object types to be protected *except* the index types. This permits all of your administrators to create indexes for the protected table.

## Example of How Realms Work

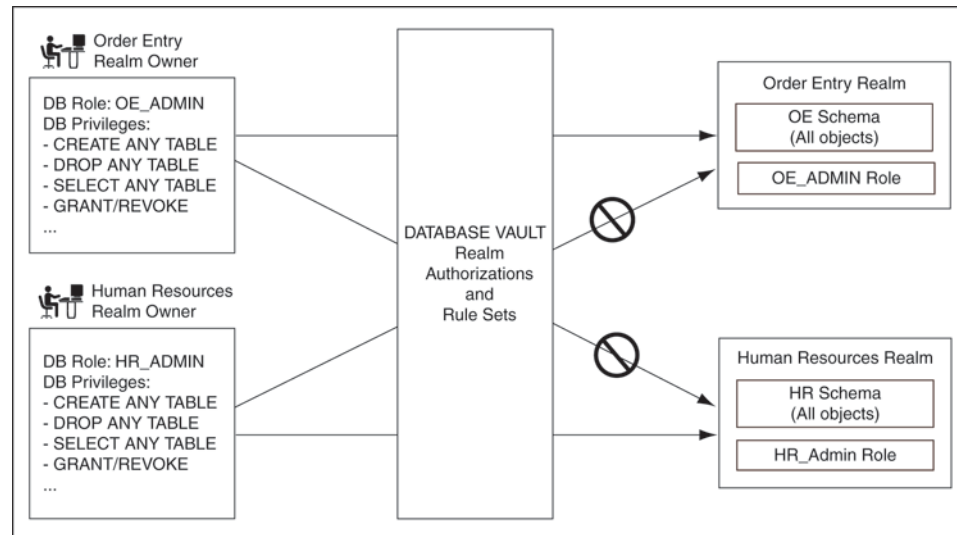
[Figure 4–1](#) illustrates how data within a realm is protected. In this scenario, two users, each in charge of a different realm, have the same system privileges. The owner of a realm can be either a database account or a database role. As such, each of the two roles, `OE_ADMIN` and `HR_ADMIN`, can be protected by a realm as a secured object *and* be configured as the owner of a realm.

Further, only a realm owner, such as `OE_ADMIN`, can grant or revoke database roles that are protected by the realm. The realm owner cannot manage roles protected by other realms such as the `DBA` role created by `SYS` in the Oracle Data Dictionary realm. Any unauthorized attempt to use a system privilege to access realm-protected objects raises a realm violation, which can be audited. The powers of each realm owner are limited



within the realm itself. For example, OE\_ADMIN has no access to the Human Resources realm, and HR\_ADMIN has no access to the Order Entry realm.

**Figure 4–1 How Authorizations Work for Realms and Realm Owners**



**See Also:** ["Quick Start Tutorial: Securing a Schema from DBA Access"](#) on page 3-6 for a tutorial on how to create and use a realm

## How Realms Affect Other Oracle Database Vault Components

Realms have no effect on factors, identities, or rule sets. They have an effect on command rules, in a sense, in that Oracle Database Vault evaluates the realm authorization first when processing SQL statements.

["How Realms Work"](#) on page 4-8 explains the steps that Oracle Database Vault takes to process SQL statements that affect objects in a realm. ["How Command Rules Work"](#) on page 6-5 describes how command rules are processed.

## Guidelines for Designing Realms

Follow these guidelines when designing realms:

- Create realms based on the schemas and roles that form a database application.
 

Define database roles with the minimum and specific roles and system privileges required to maintain the application objects and grant the role to named accounts. You then can add the role as an authorized member of the realm. For object-level privileges on objects protected by the realm and required by an application, create a role and grant these minimum and specific object-level privileges to the role, and then grant named accounts this role. In most cases, these types of roles do not need to be authorized in the realm unless *ANY*-style system privileges are already in use. A model using the principle of least privilege is ideal for any database application.
- A database object can belong to multiple realms and an account or role can be authorized in multiple realms.

To provide limited access to a subset of a database schema (for example, just the `EMPLOYEES` table in the `HR` schema), or roles protected by a realm, create a new realm with just the minimum required objects and authorizations.

- If you want to add a role to a realm as a grantee, create a realm to protect the role. Doing so prevents users who have been granted the `GRANT ANY ROLE` system privilege, such as the `SYSTEM` user account, from granting the role to themselves.
- If you want to add the `SYS` user account to a realm authorization, you must add user `SYS` explicitly and not through a role (such as the `DBA` role).
- Be mindful of the privileges currently allowed to a role that you plan to add as a realm authorization.

Realm authorization of a role can be accidentally granted and not readily apparent if an account such as `SYS` or `SYSTEM` creates a role for the first time and the Oracle Database Vault administrator adds this role as a realm authorization. This is because the account that creates a role is implicitly granted the role when it is created.

- Sometimes you must temporarily relax realm protections for an administrative task. Rather than disabling the realm, have the Security Manager (`DV_ADMIN` or `DV_OWNER`) log in, add the named account to the authorized accounts for the realm, and set the authorization rule set to Enabled. Then in the enabled rule set, turn on all auditing for the rule set. You can remove the realm authorization when the administrative task is complete.
- If you want to grant `ANY` privileges to new users, Oracle recommends that you add a database administrative user to the data dictionary realm so that this user can grant other users `ANY` privileges, if they need them. For example, using a named account to perform the `GRANT` of the `ANY` operations enables you to audit these operations, which creates an audit trail for accountability.

## How Realms Affect Performance

DDL and DML operations on realm-protected objects do not have a measurable effect on Oracle Database. Oracle recommends that you create the realm around the entire schema, and then authorize specific users to perform only specific operations related to their assigned tasks. For finer-grained control, you can define realms around individual tables and authorize users to perform certain operations on them, and also have a realm around the entire schema to protect the entire application. Be aware, however, that this type of configuration may slow performance, but it does enable you to grant realm authorization to some of the objects in a schema.

Auditing affects performance. To achieve the best performance, Oracle recommends that you use fine-grained auditing rather than auditing all operations.

You can check the system performance by running tools such as Oracle Enterprise Manager (including Oracle Enterprise Manager Database Control, which is installed by default with Oracle Database), `Statspack`, and `TKPROF`. For more information about Oracle Enterprise Manager, see the Oracle Enterprise Manager documentation set. For information about Database Control, refer to its online Help. *Oracle Database Performance Tuning Guide* describes the `Statspack` and `TKPROF` utilities.

## Related Reports and Data Dictionary Views

Table 4–1 lists Oracle Database Vault reports that are useful for analyzing realms. See Chapter 17, "Oracle Database Vault Reports," for information about how to run these reports.

**Table 4–1 Reports Related to Realms**

Report	Purpose
" <a href="#">Realm Audit Report</a> " on page 17-4	Audits records generated by the realm protection and realm authorization operations
" <a href="#">Realm Authorization Configuration Issues Report</a> " on page 17-3	Lists authorization configuration information, such as incomplete or disabled rule sets, or nonexistent grantees or owners that may affect the realm
" <a href="#">Rule Set Configuration Issues Report</a> " on page 17-4	Lists rule sets that do not have rules defined or enabled, which may affect the realms that use them
" <a href="#">Object Privilege Reports</a> " on page 17-5	Lists object privileges that the realm affects
" <a href="#">Privilege Management - Summary Reports</a> " on page 17-9	Provides information about grantees and owners for a realm
" <a href="#">Sensitive Objects Reports</a> " on page 17-7	Lists objects that the command rule affects

Table 4–2 lists data dictionary views that provide information about existing realms.

**Table 4–2 Data Dictionary Views Used for Realms**

Data Dictionary View	Description
" <a href="#">DBA_DV_REALM View</a> " on page 11-25	Lists the realms created in the current database instance.
" <a href="#">DBA_DV_REALM_AUTH View</a> " on page 11-25	lists the authorization of a named database user account or database role (GRANTEE) to access realm objects in a particular realm
" <a href="#">DBA_DV_REALM_OBJECT View</a> " on page 11-26	Lists the database schemas, or subsets of schemas with specific database objects contained therein, that are secured by the realms



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## Configuring Rule Sets

This chapter contains:

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- [How Rule Sets Work](#)
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- [How Rule Sets Affect Performance](#)
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### What Are Rule Sets?

A **rule set** is a collection of one or more rules that you can associate with a realm authorization, factor assignment, command rule, or secure application role. The rule set evaluates to true or false based on the evaluation of each rule it contains and the evaluation type (*All True* or *Any True*). A rule within a rule set is a PL/SQL expression that evaluates to true or false. You can create a rule and add the rule to multiple rule sets.

You can use rule sets to accomplish the following activities:

- As a further restriction to realm authorization, to define the conditions under which realm authorization is active
- To define when to allow a command rule
- To enable a secure application role
- To define when to assign the identity of a factor

When you create a rule set, Oracle Database Vault makes it available for selection when you configure the authorization for a realm, command rule, factor, or secure application role.

You can run reports on the rule sets that you create in Oracle Database Vault. See ["Related Reports and Data Dictionary Views"](#) on page 5-22 for more information.

This chapter explains how to configure rule sets by using Oracle Database Vault Administrator. To configure rule sets by using the PL/SQL interfaces and packages provided by Oracle Database Vault, refer to the following chapters:

- [Chapter 12, "Using the DVSYS.DBMS\\_MACADM Package"](#)
- [Chapter 15, "Using the Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Interfaces"](#)

## Default Rule Sets

Oracle Database Vault provides a set of default rule sets that you can customize for your needs. The default rule sets are as follows:

- **Allow Sessions:** Controls the ability to create a session in the database. This rule set enables you to add rules to control database logins using the CONNECT command rule. The CONNECT command rule is useful to control or limit SYSDBA access to programs that require its use. This rule set is not populated.
- **Allow System Parameters:** Controls the ability to set system initialization parameters. For Oracle Database 11g Release 2 (11.2), the Allow Fine Grained Control of System Parameters rule set replaces this rule set, but it is still supported for backward compatibility. The Allow System Parameters rule set is not associated with any commands, but its rules are still available and can be used with any custom rule set. Oracle recommends that you use the Allow Fine Grained Control of System Parameters rule set.
- **Allow Fine Grained Control of System Parameters:** Provides a very flexible, fine-grained control over initialization parameters that manage system security, dump or destination location, backup and restore settings, optimizer settings, PL/SQL debugging, and security parameters. It affects the following initialization parameters: AUDIT\_FILE\_DEST, AUDIT\_SYS\_OPERATIONS, AUDIT\_TRAIL, BACKGROUND\_DUMP\_DEST, BLOCK\_SYSTEM\_TRIG\_ENABLED, CORE\_DUMP\_DEST, CONTROL\_FILES, DB\_CREATE\_ONLINE\_LOG\_DEST, DB\_RECOVERY\_FILE\_DEST, DUMP\_DATAFILE, O7\_DICTIONARY\_ACCESSIBILITY, OPTIMIZER\_SECURE\_VIEW\_MERGING, OS\_ROLES, PLSQL\_DEBUG, RECYCLEBIN (but does not prevent disabling the recycle bin), REMOTE\_OS\_ROLES, SQL92\_SECURITY, USER\_DUMP. See *Oracle Database Reference* for detailed information about initialization parameters.
- **Can Grant VPD Administration:** Controls the ability to grant the GRANT EXECUTE or REVOKE EXECUTE privileges on the Oracle Virtual Private Database DBMS\_RLS package, with the GRANT and REVOKE statements.
- **Allow Oracle Data Pump Operation:** Contains rules that describe each user authorization that was created by the DVSYS.DBMS\_MACADM.AUTHORIZE\_DATAPUMP\_USER procedure. The rule includes the user login account and the level of access the user is allowed: the entire database, a schema within the database, or a table within this schema. When a user attempts to perform an Oracle Data Pump export or import operation, Oracle Database Vault checks the authorizations defined in this rule set. If the user's authorizations are not defined here, then he or she is not permitted to perform the export or import operation.

See ["Using Oracle Data Pump in an Oracle Database Vault Environment"](#) on page 10-5 for more information.

- **Allow Scheduler Job:** Contains rules that describe each user authorization that was created by the DVSYS.DBMS\_MACADM.AUTHORIZE\_SCHEDULER\_USER procedure. If you do not define the user's authorizations here, then he or she still can create a

job. But if the user runs a job under another schema, the job will fail when this job accesses Oracle Database Vault-protected objects. The rule includes the user login account and the level of access the user is allowed: the entire database or a schema within the database. When a user attempts to schedule a database job, Oracle Database Vault checks the authorizations defined in this rule set. If the user's authorizations are not defined here, then he or she is not permitted to create the job.

See "[Scheduling Database Jobs in an Oracle Database Vault Environment](#)" on page 10-8 for more information.

- **Can Maintain Accounts/Profiles:** Controls the roles that manage user accounts and profiles, through the `CREATE USER`, `DROP USER`, `CREATE PROFILE`, `ALTER PROFILE`, or `DROP PROFILE` statements.
- **Can Maintain Own Account:** Allows the accounts with the `DV_ACCTMGR` role to manage user accounts and profiles with the `ALTER USER` statement. Also allows individual accounts to change their own password using the `ALTER USER` statement. See "[DV\\_ACCTMGR Database Vault Account Manager Role](#)" on page 11-9 for more information about the `DV_ACCTMGR` role.
- **Disabled:** Convenience rule set to quickly disable security configurations like realms, command rules, factors, and secure application roles.
- **Enabled:** Convenience rule set to quickly enable system features.

## Creating a Rule Set

In general, to create a rule set, you first create the rule set itself, and then you edit the rule set to associate it with one or more rules. You can associate a new rule with the rule set, add existing rules to the rule set, or delete a rule association from the rule set.

See also the following sections:

- "[Guidelines for Designing Rule Sets](#)" on page 5-20 for advice on designing rule sets
- "[Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Rule Functions](#)" on page 15-14 for a set of functions that you can use in rule expressions
- "[Rule Set Configuration Issues Report](#)" on page 17-4 to check the configuration of the rule sets for your database

To create a rule set:

1. Log in to Oracle Database Vault Administrator as a user who has been granted the `DV_OWNER` or `DV_ADMIN` role.
 

["Starting Oracle Database Vault"](#) on page 3-1 explains how to log in.
2. In the Administration page, under Database Vault Feature Administration, click **Rule Sets**.
3. In the Rule Sets page, click **Create**.
4. In the Create Rule Set page, enter the following settings, and then click **OK**:
  - [General](#)
  - [Audit Options](#)
  - [Error Handling Options](#)

## General

Enter the following settings:

- **Name:** Enter a name for the rule set. It can contain up to 90 characters in mixed-case. Spaces are allowed. This attribute is mandatory.

Oracle suggests that you start the name with a noun and complete it with the realm or command rule name to which the rule set is attached. For example:

```
Limit SQL*Plus access
```

- **Description:** Enter a description of the functionality for the rule set. It can have up to 1024 characters in mixed-case. This attribute is optional.

You may want to document the business requirement of the rule set. For example:

```
Rule to limit access to SQL*Plus
```

- **Status:** Select either **Enabled** or **Disabled** to enable or disable the rule set during run time. Rule sets are enabled by default. This attribute is mandatory.
- **Evaluation Options:** If you plan to assign multiple rules to a rule set, select one of the following settings:
  - **All True:** Default. All rules in the rule set must evaluate to true for the rule set itself to evaluate to true.
  - **Any True:** At least one rule in the rule set must evaluate to true for the rule set itself to evaluate to true.

If you want to determine how often a rule set is evaluated when it is accessed by a command rule, then you can use the `is_static` parameter of the `DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE_SET` procedure. See "[CREATE\\_RULE\\_SET Procedure](#)" on page 12-14 for more information.

## Audit Options

Select from the following options to generate an audit record for the rule set. Oracle Database Vault writes the audit trail to the `DVSYS.AUDIT_TRAIL$` system file, described in [Appendix A, "Auditing Oracle Database Vault."](#)

This attribute is mandatory. The settings are:

- **Audit Disabled:** Does not create an audit record under any circumstances.
- **Audit On Failure:** Default. Creates an audit record when the rule set evaluates to false or one of the associated rules contains an invalid PL/SQL expression.
- **Audit On Success or Failure:** Creates an audit record whenever a rule set is evaluated.

For additional audit options, see "[CREATE\\_RULE\\_SET Procedure](#)" on page 12-14.

The Oracle Database Vault audit trail, written to the `DVSYS.AUDIT_TRAIL$` system table, contains the fields `RULE_SET_NAME` and `RULE_SET_ID`. These fields are populated when a rule set is associated with a realm authorization and a command authorization, and the rule set is configured to audit under some circumstances. See [Appendix A, "Auditing Oracle Database Vault,"](#) for more information.

## Error Handling Options

Enter the following settings to control the messaging to the database session when the rule set evaluates to false or one of the associated rules contains an invalid PL/SQL expression:



- **Fail Options:** Select either **Show Error Message** (the default) or **Do Not Show Error Message**.

An advantage of selecting **Do Not Show Error Message** and then enabling auditing is that you can track the activities of a potential intruder. The audit report reveals the activities of the intruder, yet the intruder is unaware that you are doing this because he or she does not see any error messages.

- **Fail Code:** Enter a number in the ranges of -20000 to -20999 or 20000 to 20999. The error code is displayed with the **Fail Message** (created next) when the rule set evaluates to false or one of the associated rules contains an invalid PL/SQL expression. If you omit this setting, then Oracle Database Vault displays the following error code:

```
ORA-01031: Insufficient privileges
```

- **Fail Message:** Enter a message, up to 80 characters in mixed-case, to associate with the fail code you specified under **Fail Code**. The error message is displayed when the rule set evaluates to false or one of the associated rules contains an invalid PL/SQL expression. If you do not specify an error message, then Oracle Database Vault displays a generic error message.
- **Custom Event Handler Option:** Select one of the following options to determine when to run the **Custom Event Handler Logic** (created next).
  - **Handler Disabled:** Default. Does not run any custom event method.
  - **Execute On Failure:** Runs the custom event method when the rule set evaluates to false or one of the associated rules contains an invalid PL/SQL expression.
  - **Execute On Success:** Runs the custom event method when the rule set evaluates to true.

You can create a custom event method to provide special processing outside the standard Oracle Database Vault rule set auditing features. For example, you can use an event handler to initiate a workflow process or send event information to an external system.

- **Custom Event Handler Logic:** Enter a PL/SQL expression up to 255 characters in mixed-case. An expression may include any package procedure or standalone procedure. You can create your own expression or use the PL/SQL interfaces described in [Chapter 15, "Using the Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Interfaces."](#)

Write the expression as a fully qualified procedure (such as *schema.procedure\_name*). Do not include complete SQL statements. If you are using application package procedures or standalone procedures, you must provide *DVSYS* with the *EXECUTE* privilege on the object. The procedure signature can be in one of the following two forms:

- `PROCEDURE my_ruleset_handler(p_ruleset_name IN VARCHAR2, p_ruleset_rules IN BOOLEAN):` Use this form when the name of the rule set and its return value are required in the handler processing.
- `PROCEDURE my_ruleset_handler:` Use this form when the name of the rule set and its return value are not required in the handler processing.

When you define the expression in the user interface that uses one of these two formats, put the expression in the following form:

```
myschema.my_ruleset_handler
```

After you create a rule set, you are ready to create rules to attach to the rule set. To do so, you edit the new rule set, and then define its rules.

**See Also:**

- ["Configuring or Editing a Rule Set"](#) on page 5-6
- ["Creating a Rule to Add to a Rule Set"](#) on page 5-6
- ["Propagating Oracle Database Vault Policies to Other Databases"](#) on page 10-2

## Configuring or Editing a Rule Set

To configure or edit a rule set:

1. In the Oracle Database Vault Administration page, select **Rule Sets**.
2. In the Rule Set page, select the rule set that you want to edit.
3. Click **Edit**.
4. Modify the rule set as necessary, and then click **OK**.

**See Also:**

- ["Creating a Rule Set"](#) on page 5-3 to modify the settings created for a new rule set
- [Creating a Rule to Add to a Rule Set](#) on page 5-6 to add or modify rule for the rule set

## Creating a Rule to Add to a Rule Set

After you create a new rule set, you can associate it with one or more rules. When you create a new rule, it is automatically added to the current rule set. You also can add existing rules to the rule set. Alternatively, you can omit adding rules to the rule set and use it as a template for rule sets you may want to create in the future.

The rule set evaluation depends on the evaluation of its rules using the Evaluation Options (**All True** or **Any True**). If a rule set is disabled, Oracle Database Vault evaluates the rule set to true without evaluating its rules.

See ["How Rule Sets Work"](#) on page 5-9 for information on how rules are evaluated, how to nest rules, and how to create rules that exclude a particular user, such as a privileged user.

## Creating a New Rule

To create and add a rule to a rule set:

1. In the Oracle Database Vault Administration page, select **Rule Sets**.
2. In the Rule Sets page, select the rule set to which you want to create and add a rule, and then select **Edit**.
3. In the Edit Rule Set Page, scroll down to Rules Associated To The Rule Set and select **Create**.
4. In the Create Rule page, enter the following settings:
  - **Name:** Enter a name for the rule. Use up to 90 characters in mixed-case.

Oracle suggests that you start the name with a verb and complete the name with the purpose of the rule. For example:

```
Prevent non-admin access to SQL*Plus
```

Because rules do not have a **Description** field, make the name explicit but be sure to not exceed over 90 characters.

- **Rule Expression:** Enter a PL/SQL expression that fits the following requirements:
  - It is valid in a SQL WHERE clause.
  - It can be a freestanding and valid PL/SQL Boolean expression such as the following:

```
TO_CHAR(SYSDATE, 'HH24') = '12'
```

- It must evaluate to a Boolean (TRUE or FALSE) value.
- It must be no more than 255 characters long.
- It can contain existing and compiled PL/SQL functions from the current database instance. Ensure that these are fully qualified functions (such as *schema.function\_name*). Do not include complete SQL statements.

If you want to use application package functions or standalone functions, you must grant the DVSYS account the EXECUTE privilege on the function. Doing so reduces the chances of errors when you add new rules.

- Ensure that the rule works. You can test the syntax by running the following statement in SQL\*Plus:

```
SELECT rule_expression FROM DUAL;
```

For example, suppose you have created the following the rule expression:

```
SYS_CONTEXT('USERENV', 'SESSION_USER') != 'TSMITH'
```

You could test this expression as follows:

```
SELECT SYS_CONTEXT('USERENV', 'SESSION_USER') FROM DUAL;
```

See the following sections for functions that you can use in the rule set expression:

- ["Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Rule Functions"](#) on page 15-14
- [Chapter 12, "Using the DVSYS.DBMS\\_MACADM Package"](#)
- [Chapter 14, "Using the DVSYS.DBMS\\_MACUTL Package"](#)

For additional examples of expressions, see the rule defined in the rule sets provided with Oracle Database Vault. ["Default Rule Sets"](#) on page 5-2 lists these rule sets.

##### 5. Click OK.

The Edit Rule Set page appears. By default, the new rule is added to the rule set.

### Editing a Rule

The changes you make to a rule apply to all rule sets that include the rule.

To edit a rule:

1. In the Edit Rule Set page, scroll to Rules Associated To The Rule Set.

2. Select the rule you want to edit and click **Edit**.
3. In the Edit Rule page, modify the rule as necessary.
4. Click **OK**.

### Removing a Rule from a Rule Set

Before you remove a rule from a rule set, you can locate the various references to it by querying the rules-related Oracle Database Vault views. See "[Oracle Database Vault Data Dictionary Views](#)" on page 11-15 for more information.

To remove a rule from a rule set:

1. In the Edit Rule Set page, scroll to Rules Associated To The Rule Set.
2. Select the rule you want to delete and click **Remove**.
3. In the Confirmation page, click **Yes**.

After you remove the rule from the rule set, it still exists. If you want, you can associate it with other rule sets. If you want to delete the rule, use the `DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_RULE` function, described in "[Rule Set Procedures Within DVSYS.DBMS\\_MACADM](#)" on page 12-12. For example, to delete the rule Night Shift, log in to SQL\*Plus as the Database Vault Owner and enter the following statement:

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_RULE('Night Shift');
```

### Adding Existing Rules to a Rule Set

To add existing rules to a rule set:

1. In the Rule Sets page, select the rule set that you want to add rules to, and then select **Edit**.
2. Under Rules Associated To The Rule Set, select **Add Existing Rules**.
3. In the Add Existing Rules page, select the rules you want, and then click **Move** (or **Move All**, if you want all of them) to move them to the Selected Rules list.

You can select multiple rules by holding down the **Ctrl** key as you click each rule.

4. Click **OK**.

### Deleting a Rule Set

Before you delete a rule set, you can locate the various references to it by querying the rules-related Oracle Database Vault views. See "[Oracle Database Vault Data Dictionary Views](#)" on page 11-15 for more information.

To delete a rule set:

1. If other Database Vault objects, such as command rules, reference the rule set, then remove the reference.

You can delete a rule set only if no other Database Vault objects are referencing it.

2. In the Oracle Database Vault Administration page, select **Rule Sets**.
3. In the Rule Set page, select the rule set that you want to remove.
4. Click **Remove**.
5. In the Confirmation page, click **Yes**.

The rule set is deleted. However, the rules associated with the rule set are not deleted.

## How Rule Sets Work

This section describes how rule sets work in the following ways:

- [How Oracle Database Vault Evaluates Rules](#)
- [Nesting Rules Within a Rule Set](#)
- [Creating Rules to Apply to Everyone Except One User](#)

## How Oracle Database Vault Evaluates Rules

Oracle Database Vault evaluates the rules within a rule set as a collection of expressions. If you have set **Evaluation Options** to **All True** and if a rule fails the evaluation, then the evaluation stops at that point, instead of attempting to evaluate the rest of the rules in the rule set. Similarly, if **Evaluation Options** is set to **Any True** and if a rule evaluates to true, the evaluation stops at that point. If a rule set is disabled, Oracle Database Vault evaluates it to true without evaluating its rules.

## Nesting Rules Within a Rule Set

You can nest one or more rules within the rule set. For example, suppose you want to create a nested rule, Is Corporate Network During Maintenance, that performs the following two tasks:

- It limits table modifications only when the database session originates within the corporate network.
- It restricts table modifications during the system maintenance window scheduled between 10:00 p.m. and 10:59 p.m.

The rule definition would be as follows:

```
DVF.F$NETWORK = 'Corporate' AND TO_CHAR(SYSDATE, 'HH24') between '22' AND '23'
```

You can create it using a factor function. See "[Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Factor Functions](#)" on page 15-6 for more information. [Chapter 7](#) explains how to create factors.

## Creating Rules to Apply to Everyone Except One User

You can also create rules to apply to everyone *except* one user (for example, a privileged user). The rule definition for this type of rule can be as follows:

```
SYS_CONTEXT('USERENV', 'SESSION_USER') = 'SUPERADMIN_USER' OR additional_rule
```

If the current user is a privileged user, then the system evaluates the rule to true without evaluating *additional\_rule*. If the current user is not a privileged user, then the evaluation of the rule depends on the evaluation of *additional\_rule*.

## Tutorial: Creating an E-Mail Alert for Security Violations

This section contains:

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### About This Tutorial

In the following tutorial, you create an e-mail alert that is sent when a user attempts to alter a table outside a maintenance period. To do this, you must create a rule to set the maintenance period hours, attach this rule to a rule set, and then create a command rule to allow the user to alter the table. You then associate the rule set with this command rule, which then sends the e-mail alert when the user attempts to use the `ALTER TABLE SQL` statement outside the maintenance period.

### Step 1: Install and Configure the UTL\_MAIL PL/SQL Package

1. Log in to SQL\*Plus as SYS using the SYSDBA privilege, and then install the UTL\_MAIL package.

```
sqlplus sys as sysdba
Enter password: password

@$ORACLE_HOME/rdbms/admin/utlmail.sql
@$ORACLE_HOME/rdbms/admin/prvtmail.plb
```

The UTL\_MAIL package enables you to manage e-mail. See *Oracle Database PL/SQL Packages and Types Reference* for more information about UTL\_MAIL. However, be aware that currently, the UTL\_MAIL PL/SQL package do not support SSL servers.

2. Check the current value of the SMTP\_OUT\_SERVER parameter, and make a note of this value so that you can restore it when you complete this tutorial.

For example:

```
SHOW PARAMETER SMTP_OUT_SERVER
```

Output similar to the following appears:

NAME	TYPE	VALUE
SMTP_OUT_SERVER	string	some_value.example.com

3. Issue the following ALTER SYSTEM statement:

```
ALTER SYSTEM SET SMTP_OUT_SERVER='imap_mail_server.example.com';
```

Replace *imap\_mail\_server.example.com* with the name of your SMTP server, which you can find in the account settings in your e-mail tool. Enclose these settings in quotation marks. For example:

```
ALTER SYSTEM SET SMTP_OUT_SERVER='my_imap_mail_server.example.com'
```

4. Connect as SYS using the SYSOPER privilege and then restart the database.

```
CONNECT SYS/AS SYSOPER
Enter password: password

SHUTDOWN IMMEDIATE
STARTUP
```

5. Ensure that the SMTP\_OUT\_SERVER parameter setting is correct.

```
CONNECT SYS/AS SYSDBA
Enter password: password

SHOW PARAMETER SMTP_OUT_SERVER
```

Output similar to the following appears:

NAME	TYPE	VALUE
SMTP_OUT_SERVER	string	my_imap_mail_server.example.com

## Step 2: Create an E-Mail Security Alert PL/SQL Procedure

1. Ensure that you are connected as SYS using the SYSDBA privilege, and then grant the following privileges to a user who has been granted the DV\_OWNER role.

(Alternatively, you can select a user who has been granted the DV\_ADMIN role, but for this tutorial, you will select a user who has the DV\_OWNER role.)

For example:

```
CONNECT SYS/AS SYSDBA
Enter password: password

GRANT CREATE PROCEDURE, DROP ANY PROCEDURE TO lbrown_dvowner;
GRANT EXECUTE ON UTL_TCP TO lbrown_dvowner;
GRANT EXECUTE ON UTL_SMTP TO lbrown_dvowner;
GRANT EXECUTE ON UTL_MAIL TO lbrown_dvowner;
GRANT EXECUTE ON DBMS_NETWORK_ACL_ADMIN TO lbrown_dvowner;
```

The UTL\_TCP, UTL\_SMTP, UTL\_MAIL, and DBMS\_NETWORK\_ACL\_ADMIN PL/SQL packages will be used by the e-mail security alert that you create.

2. Connect to SQL\*Plus as the DV\_OWNER user.

For example:

```
CONNECT lbrown_dvowner
Enter password: password
```

3. Create the following procedure:

```
CREATE OR REPLACE PROCEDURE email_alert AS
msg varchar2(20000) := 'Realm violation occurred for the ALTER TABLE Command
Security Policy rule set. The time is: ';
BEGIN
  msg := msg||to_char(SYSDATE, 'Day DD MON, YYYY HH24:MI:SS');
  UTL_MAIL.SEND (
    sender      => 'youremail@example.com',
    recipients => 'recipientemail@example.com',
    subject     => 'Table modification attempted outside maintenance!',
    message    => msg);
```

```
END email_alert;  
/
```

Replace *youremail@example.com* with your e-mail address, and *recipientemail@example.com* with the e-mail address of the person you want to receive the notification.

4. Grant the EXECUTE permission on this procedure to DVSYS.

```
GRANT EXECUTE ON email_alert TO DVSYS;
```

### Step 3: Configure an Access Control List File for Network Services

Before you can use PL/SQL network utility packages such as UTL\_MAIL, you must configure an access control list (ACL) file that enables fine-grained access to external network services. For detailed information about this topic, see *Oracle Database Security Guide*.

To configure an access control list for the e-mail alert:

1. As the DV\_OWNER user, in SQL\*Plus, create the following access control list and its privilege definitions.

```
BEGIN  
DBMS_NETWORK_ACL_ADMIN.CREATE_ACL (  
  acl          => 'mail_server_permissions.xml',  
  description  => 'Enables network permissions for the mail server',  
  principal    => 'LBROWN_DVOWNER',  
  is_grant     => TRUE,  
  privilege    => 'connect');  
END;  
/
```

Ensure that you enter your exact user name for the principal setting, in upper-case letters. For this tutorial, enter the name of the Database Vault Owner account (for example, LBROWN\_DVOWNER).

2. Assign the access control list to the outgoing SMTP network host for your e-mail server.

```
BEGIN  
DBMS_NETWORK_ACL_ADMIN.ASSIGN_ACL (  
  acl          => 'mail_server_permissions.xml',  
  host         => 'SMTP_OUT_SERVER_setting',  
  lower_port   => port);  
END;  
/
```

In this example:

- *SMTP\_OUT\_SERVER\_setting*: Enter the SMTP\_OUT\_SERVER setting that you set for the SMTP\_OUT\_SERVER parameter in ["Step 1: Install and Configure the UTL\\_MAIL PL/SQL Package"](#) on page 5-10. This setting should match exactly the setting that your e-mail tool specifies for its outgoing server.
  - *port*: Enter the port number that your e-mail tool specifies for its outgoing server. Typically, this setting is 25. Enter this value for both the lower\_port and upper\_port settings. (Currently, the UTL\_MAIL package does not support SSL. If your mail server is an SSL server, then enter 25 for the port number, even if the mail server uses a different port number.)
3. Commit your changes to the database.



```
COMMIT;
```

#### 4. Test the settings that you have created so far.

```
EXEC EMAIL_ALERT;
COMMIT;
```

SQL\*Plus should display a PL/SQL procedure successfully completed message, and in a moment, depending on the speed of your e-mail server, you should receive the e-mail alert.

If you receive an ORA-24247: network access denied by access control list (ACL) error followed by ORA-06512: at *stringline string* errors, then check the settings in the access control list file.

## Step 4: Create a Rule Set and a Command Rule to Use the E-Mail Security Alert

### 1. As the DV\_OWNER user, create the following rule set:

```
BEGIN
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE_SET(
  rule_set_name => 'ALTER TABLE Command Security Policy',
  description   => 'This rule set allows ALTER TABLE only during the
                    maintenance period.',
  enabled       => 'Y',
  eval_options  => 1,
  audit_options => DBMS_MACUTL.G_RULESET_AUDIT_FAIL,,
  fail_options  => DBMS_MACUTL.G_RULESET_FAIL_SILENT,
  fail_message  => '',
  fail_code     => NULL,
  handler_options => DBMS_MACUTL.G_RULESET_HANDLER_FAIL,
  handler       => 'dbavowner.email_alert');
END;
/
```

### 2. Create a rule similar to the following.

For now, set the rule expression to be during the time you test it. For example, if you want to test it between 2 p.m. and 3 p.m., create the rule as follows:

```
BEGIN
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE(
  rule_name => 'Restrict Access to Maintenance Period',
  rule_expr => 'TO_CHAR(SYSDATE, 'HH24') BETWEEN '14' AND '15''');
END;
/
```

Ensure that you use two single quotation marks instead of double quotation marks for HH24, 14, and 15.

You can check the system time on your computer by issuing the following SQL statement:

```
SELECT TO_CHAR(SYSDATE, 'HH24') FROM DUAL;
```

Output similar to the following appears:

```
TO
--
14
```

Later on, when you are satisfied that the rule works, you can update it to a time when your site typically performs maintenance work (for example, between 7 p.m. and 10 p.m), as follows:

```
BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UPDATE_RULE(
    rule_name => 'Restrict Access to Maintenance Period',
    rule_expr => 'TO_CHAR(SYSDATE, 'HH24') BETWEEN '19' AND '22');
END;
/
```

3. Add the Restrict Access to Maintenance Period rule to the ALTER TABLE Command Security Policy rule set.

```
BEGIN
  DBMS_MACADM.ADD_RULE_TO_RULE_SET(
    rule_set_name => 'ALTER TABLE Command Security Policy',
    rule_name      => 'Restrict Access to Maintenance Period');
END;
/
```

4. Create the following command rule:

```
BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_COMMAND_RULE(
    command      => 'ALTER TABLE',
    rule_set_name => 'ALTER TABLE Command Security Policy',
    object_owner  => 'SCOTT',
    object_name   => '%',
    enabled       => 'Y');
END;
/
```

5. Commit these updates to the database.

```
COMMIT;
```

## Step 5: Test the E-Mail Security Alert

1. Connect to SQL\*Plus as user SCOTT.

For example:

```
CONNECT SCOTT
Enter password: password
```

If the SCOTT account is locked and expired, then a user with the DV\_ACCTMGR role can unlock this account and create a new password as follows:

```
ALTER USER SCOTT ACCOUNT UNLOCK IDENTIFIED BY password;
```

Replace *password* with a password that is secure. See *Oracle Database Security Guide* for the minimum requirements for creating passwords.

2. As the user SCOTT, create a test table.

```
CREATE TABLE mytest (col1 number);
```

3. Change the system time on your computer to a time when the ALTER TABLE Command Security Policy rule set takes place.

For example, if you set the test period time to between 2 p.m. and 3 p.m., do the following:

**UNIX:** Log in as root and use the `date` command to set the time. For example, assuming the date today is December 13, 2007, you would enter the following:

```
$ su root
Password: password

$ date 12131409
```

**Windows:** Double-click the clock icon, which is typically at the lower right corner of the screen. In the Date and Time Properties window, set the time to 2 p.m., and then click **OK**.

4. Try altering the `my_test` table.

```
ALTER TABLE mytest ADD (col2 number);
```

Table altered.

SCOTT should be able to alter the `mytest` table during this time.

5. Reset the system time to a time outside the Restrict Access to Maintenance Period time.
6. Log in as SCOTT and try altering the `my_test` table again.

```
CONNECT SCOTT
Enter password: password
```

```
ALTER TABLE mytest ADD (col3 number);
```

The following output should appear:

```
ORA-47400: Command Rule violation for ALTER TABLE on SCOTT.MYTEST
```

SCOTT cannot alter the `mytest` table. In a moment, you should receive an e-mail with the subject header `Table modification attempted outside maintenance!` and with a message similar to the following:

```
Realm violation occurred for the ALTER TABLE Command Security Policy rule set.
The time is: Wednesday 06 MAY, 2009 14:24:25
```

7. Reset the system time to the correct time.

## Step 6: Remove the Components for This Tutorial

1. Connect to SQL\*Plus as the `DV_OWNER` user, and then in the order shown, drop the Oracle Database Vault rule components.

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_RULE_FROM_RULE_SET('ALTER TABLE Command Security
Policy', 'Restrict Access to Maintenance Period');
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_RULE('Restrict Access to Maintenance Period');
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_COMMAND_RULE('ALTER TABLE', 'SCOTT', '%');
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_RULE_SET('ALTER TABLE Command Security Policy');
```

2. Drop the `email_alert` PL/SQL procedure.

```
DROP PROCEDURE email_alert;
```

3. Remove the access control list.

```
EXEC DBMS_NETWORK_ACL_ADMIN.DROP_ACL ('email_alert_permissions.xml');
```

4. Connect as user `SCOTT` and remove the `mytest` table.

```
CONNECT SCOTT
Enter password: password
```

```
DROP TABLE mytest;
```

5. Connect as SYS using the SYSDBA privilege and then revoke the EXECUTE privilege on the UTL\_TCP, UTL\_SMTP, and UTL\_MAIL PL/SQL packages from the DV\_OWNER user.

For example:

```
REVOKE EXECUTE ON UTL_TCP FROM lbrown_dvowner;
REVOKE EXECUTE ON UTL_SMTP FROM lbrown_dvowner;
REVOKE EXECUTE ON UTL_MAIL FROM lbrown_dvowner;
REVOKE EXECUTE ON DBMS_NETWORK_ACL_ADMIN from lbrown_dvowner;
```

6. Set the SMTP\_OUT\_SERVER parameter to its original value.

For example:

```
ALTER SYSTEM SET SMTP_OUT_SERVER="some_value.example.com";
```

7. Connect as SYS using the SYSOPER privilege and then restart the database.

```
CONNECT SYS/AS SYSOPER
Enter password: password
```

```
SHUTDOWN IMMEDIATE
STARTUP
```

## Tutorial: Configuring Two-Person Integrity, or Dual Key Security

This section contains:

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- [Step 2: Create a Function to Check if User patch\\_boss Is Logged In](#)
- [Step 3: Create Rules, a Rule Set, and a Command Rule to Control the Users' Access](#)
- [Step 4: Test the Users' Access](#)
- [Step 5: Remove the Components for This Tutorial](#)

### About This Tutorial

In this tutorial, you configure a rule set that defines two-person integrity (TPI), also called dual key security, dual key connection, and two-man rule security. In this type of security, two users are required to authorize an action instead of one user. The idea is that one user provides a safety check for the other user before that user can proceed with a task. Two-person integrity provides an additional layer of security for actions that potentially can be dangerous. This type of scenario is often used for tasks such as database patch updates, which is what this tutorial will demonstrate. One user, `patch_user` must log in to perform a database patch upgrade, but the only way that he can do this is if his manager, `patch_boss` is already logged in. You will create a function, rules, a rule set, and a command rule to control `patch_user`'s ability to log in.

## Step 1: Create Users for This Tutorial

You must create the following two users for this tutorial:

- `patch_boss` acts in a supervisory role: If `patch_boss` is not logged in, then the `patch_user` user cannot log in.
- `patch_user` is the user who is assigned to perform the patch upgrade. However, for this tutorial, user `patch_user` does not actually perform a patch upgrade. He only attempts to log in.

To create the users:

1. Connect to SQL\*Plus as a user who has been granted the `DV_ACCTMGR` role.

For example:

```
CONNECT amalcolm_dvacctmgr
Enter password: password
```

2. Create the following users.

```
CREATE USER PATCH_BOSS IDENTIFIED BY password;
CREATE USER PATCH_USER IDENTIFIED BY password;
```

Replace `password` with a password that is secure. See *Oracle Database Security Guide* for the minimum requirements for creating passwords.

3. Connect as user `SYS` with the `SYSDBA` privilege and grant privileges to the following users.

```
CONNECT SYS/AS SYSDBA
Enter password: password
```

```
GRANT CREATE PROCEDURE TO lbrown_dvowner;
GRANT SELECT ON V_$SESSION TO lbrown_dvowner;
GRANT CREATE SESSION TO PATCH_BOSS;
GRANT CREATE SESSION TO PATCH_USER;
```

In a real-world scenario, you also would log in as the `DV_OWNER` user and grant the `DV_PATCH_ADMIN` role to user `patch_user` (but not to `patch_boss`). But because you are not really going to perform a database patch upgrade in this tutorial, you do not need to grant this role to user `patch_user`.

## Step 2: Create a Function to Check if User `patch_boss` Is Logged In

The function that you must create, `check_boss_logged_in`, does just that: When user `patch_user` tries to log in to SQL\*Plus, it checks if user `patch_boss` is already logged in by querying the `V$SESSION` data dictionary view.

To create the `check_boss_logged_in` function:

1. Connect to SQL\*Plus as a user who has been granted the `DV_OWNER` or `DV_ADMIN` role.

For example:

```
CONNECT lbrown_dvowner
Enter password: password
```

2. Create the `check_boss_logged_in` function as follows:

```
CREATE OR REPLACE FUNCTION check_boss_logged_in
return varchar2
```

```

authid current_user as

v_session_number number := 0;
v_allow varchar2(10)    := 'TRUE';
v_deny varchar2(10)     := 'FALSE';

BEGIN
  SELECT COUNT(*) INTO v_session_number
  FROM SYS.V_$SESSION
  WHERE USERNAME = 'PATCH_BOSS'; -- Enter the user name in capital letters.

  IF v_session_number > 0
  THEN RETURN v_allow;
  ELSE
  RETURN v_deny;
  END IF;
END check_boss_logged_in;
/

```

3. Grant the EXECUTE privilege on the check\_boss\_logged\_in function to the DVSYs schema.

```
GRANT EXECUTE ON check_boss_logged_in to DVSYs;
```

### Step 3: Create Rules, a Rule Set, and a Command Rule to Control the Users' Access

Next, you must create two rules, a rule set to which you will add them, and a command rule. The rule set triggers the check\_boss\_logged\_in function when user patch\_user tries to log in to the database.

To create the rules and rule set:

1. Create the Check if Boss Is Logged In rule, which checks that the patch\_user user is logged in to the database.

If the check\_boss\_logged\_in function returns TRUE (that is, patch\_boss is logged in to another session), then patch\_user can log in.

```

BEGIN
  DVSYs.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE(
    rule_name => 'Check if Boss Is Logged In',
    rule_expr => 'SYS_CONTEXT(''USERENV'', ''SESSION_USER'') = ''PATCH_USER'' and
    LBROWN_DVOWNER.check_boss_logged_in = ''TRUE'' ');
END;
/

```

Enter the user name, PATCH\_USER, in upper-case letters, which is how the SESSION\_USER parameter stores it.

2. Create the Allow Connect for Other Database Users rule, which ensures that the user logged in (patch\_user) is not user patch\_boss. It also enables all other valid users to log in.

```

BEGIN
  DVSYs.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE(
    rule_name => 'Allow Connect for Other Database Users',
    rule_expr => 'SYS_CONTEXT(''USERENV'', ''SESSION_USER'') != ''PATCH_USER''');
END;
/
COMMIT;

```

3. Create the Dual Connect for Boss and Patch rule set, and then add the two rules to it.

```

BEGIN
    DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE_SET(
        rule_set_name => 'Dual Connect for Boss and Patch',
        description => 'Checks if both boss and patch users are logged in.',
        enabled        => 'Y',
        eval_options   => 2,
        audit_options  => DBMS_MACUTL.G_RULESET_AUDIT_FAIL,
        fail_options   => DBMS_MACUTL.G_RULESET_FAIL_SILENT,
        fail_message   => '',
        fail_code      => NULL,
        handler_options => DBMS_MACUTL.G_RULESET_HANDLER_OFF,
        handler        => ''
    );
END;
/

BEGIN
    DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.ADD_RULE_TO_RULE_SET(
        rule_set_name => 'Dual Connect for Boss and Patch',
        rule_name     => 'Check if Boss Is Logged In'
    );
END;
/

BEGIN
    DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.ADD_RULE_TO_RULE_SET(
        rule_set_name => 'Dual Connect for Boss and Patch',
        rule_name     => 'Allow Connect for Other Database Users'
    );
END;
/

```

4. Create the following CONNECT command rule, which permits user `patch_user` to connect to the database only if `patch_boss` is already logged in.

```

BEGIN
    DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_COMMAND_RULE(
        command        => 'CONNECT',
        rule_set_name  => 'Dual Connect for Boss and Patch',
        object_owner   => '%',
        object_name    => '%',
        enabled        => 'Y');
END;
/
COMMIT;

```

## Step 4: Test the Users' Access

1. Try to connect to SQL\*Plus as user `patch_user`.

```

CONNECT patch_user
Enter password: password

```

```

ERROR:
ORA-47400: Command Rule violation for CONNECT on LOGON

```

User `patch_user` cannot log in until user `patch_boss` is already logged in.

2. Open a second shell and then log in as user `patch_boss`.

```
sqlplus patch_boss
Enter password: password
Connected.
```

User `patch_boss` can log in.

3. Go back to the first shell, and then try logging in as user `patch_user` again.

```
sqlplus patch_user
Enter password: password
```

This time, user `patch_user` is deemed a valid user, so now he can log in.

## Step 5: Remove the Components for This Tutorial

1. In the session for the user `patch_boss`, exit SQL\*Plus and then close the shell.

```
EXIT
```

2. In the first shell, connect the `DV_ACCTMGR` user and remove the users you created.

```
CONNECT amalcolm_dvacctmgr
Enter password: password
```

```
DROP USER patch_boss;
DROP USER patch_user;
```

3. Connect as the `DV_OWNER` or `DV_ADMIN` user and drop the `check_boss_logged_in` function, the rules, rule set, and command rule, in the order shown.

```
CONNECT lbrown_dvowner
Enter password: password
```

```
DROP FUNCTION check_boss_logged_in;
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_COMMAND_RULE('CONNECT', '%', '%');
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_RULE_FROM_RULE_SET('Dual Connect for Boss and
Patch', 'Check if Boss Is Logged In');
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_RULE_FROM_RULE_SET('Dual Connect for Boss and
Patch', 'Allow Connect for Other Database Users');
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_RULE('Check if Boss Is Logged In');
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_RULE('Allow Connect for Other Database Users');
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_RULE_SET('Dual Connect for Boss and Patch');
COMMIT;
```

4. Connect as user `SYS` with the `SYSDBA` privilege and revoke the following privileges from the `DV_OWNER` or `DV_ADMIN` user.

```
CONNECT SYS/AS SYSDBA
Enter password: password
```

```
REVOKE CREATE PROCEDURE FROM lbrown_dvowner;
REVOKE SELECT ON V_$SESSION FROM lbrown_dvowner;
```

## Guidelines for Designing Rule Sets

Follow these guidelines for designing rule sets:

- You can share rules among multiple rule sets. This lets you develop a library of reusable rule expressions. Oracle recommends that you design such rules to be discrete, single-purpose expressions.



- You can design a rule set so that its evaluation is static, that is, it is evaluated only once during a user session. Alternatively, it can be evaluated each time the associated command rule accesses the rule set. If the rule set is evaluated only once, then the evaluated value is reused throughout the user session each time the command rule accesses the rule set. Using static evaluation is useful in cases where the rule set must be accessed multiple times but the conditions on which the rule set depend do not change during that session. An example would be a `SELECT` command rule associated with a rule set when the same `SELECT` statement occurs multiple times and if the evaluated value is acceptable to use again, rather than evaluating the rule set each time the `SELECT` occurs.

To control the static evaluation of the rule set, set the `is_static` parameter of the `CREATE_RULE_SET` or `UPDATE_RULE_SET` procedures of the `DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM` PL/SQL package. See "[Rule Set Procedures Within DVSYS.DBMS\\_MACADM](#)" on page 12-12 for more information.

- Use Oracle Database Vault factors in your rule expressions to provide reusability and trust in the values used by your rule expressions. Factors can provide contextual information to use in your rules expressions.
- You can use custom event handlers to extend Oracle Database Vault security policies to integrate external systems for error handling or alerting. Using Oracle utility packages such as `UTL_TCP`, `UTL_HTTP`, `UTL_MAIL`, `UTL_SMTP`, or `DBMS_AQ` can help you to achieve this type of integration.
- Test rule sets thoroughly for various accounts and scenarios either on a test database or on a test realm or command rule for nonsensitive data before you apply them to realms and command rules that protect sensitive data. You can test rule expressions directly with the following SQL statement:

```
SQL> SELECT SYSDATE from DUAL where rule expression
```

- You can nest rule expressions inside a single rule. This helps to achieve more complex situations where you would need a logical `AND` for a subset of rules and a logical `OR` with the rest of the rules. See the definition for the Is Corporate Network During Maintenance rule set under "[Tutorial: Creating an E-Mail Alert for Security Violations](#)" on page 5-10 for an example.

## How Rule Sets Affect Performance

In general, the more rules and more complex the rules, the more performance overhead the performance for execution of certain operations governed by these rule sets. For example, if you have a very large number of rules in a rule set governing a `SELECT` statement, performance could degrade significantly.

If you have rule sets that require many rules, performance improves if you move all the rules to logic defined in a single PL/SQL standalone or package function. However, if a rule is used by other rule sets, there is little performance effect on your system.

If possible, consider setting the rule set to use static evaluation, assuming this is compatible with the associated command rule's usage. See "[Guidelines for Designing Rule Sets](#)" on page 5-20 for more information.

You can check system performance by running tools such as Oracle Enterprise Manager (including Oracle Enterprise Manager Database Control, which is installed by default with Oracle Database), `Statspack`, and `TKPROF`. For more information about Oracle Enterprise Manager, see the Oracle Enterprise Manager documentation set. For

information about Database Control, refer to its online Help. *Oracle Database Performance Tuning Guide* describes the Statspack and TKPROF utilities.

## Related Reports and Data Dictionary Views

Table 5–1 lists Oracle Database Vault reports that are useful for analyzing rule sets and the rules within them. See Chapter 17, "Oracle Database Vault Reports," for information about how to run these reports.

**Table 5–1 Reports Related to Rule Sets**

Report	Description
"Rule Set Configuration Issues Report" on page 17-4	Lists rule sets that have no rules defined or enabled
"Secure Application Configuration Issues Report" on page 17-4	Lists secure application roles that have incomplete or disabled rule sets
"Command Rule Configuration Issues Report" on page 17-3	Lists rule sets that are incomplete or disabled

Table 5–2 lists data dictionary views that provide information about existing rules and rule sets.

**Table 5–2 Data Dictionary Views Used for Rules and Rule Sets**

Data Dictionary View	Description
"DBA_DV_RULE View" on page 11-27	Lists the rules that have been defined
"DBA_DV_RULE_SET View" on page 11-27	Lists the rules sets that have been created
"DBA_DV_RULE_SET_RULE View" on page 11-29	Lists rules that are associated with existing rule sets

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## Configuring Command Rules

This chapter contains:

- [What Are Command Rules?](#)
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- [Creating and Editing a Command Rule](#)
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- [How Command Rules Work](#)
- [Tutorial: Using a Command Rule to Control Table Creations by a User](#)
- [Guidelines for Designing Command Rules](#)
- [How Command Rules Affect Performance](#)
- [Related Reports and Data Dictionary View](#)

### What Are Command Rules?

A **command rule** is a rule that you create to protect `SELECT`, `ALTER SYSTEM`, database definition language (DDL), and data manipulation language (DML) statements that affect one or more database objects. To customize and enforce the command rule, you associate it with a rule set, which is a collection of one or more rules. The command rule is enforced at run time. Command rules affect anyone who tries to use the SQL statements it protects, regardless of the realm in which the object exists. If you want to protect realm-specific objects, see "[Defining Realm Authorization](#)" on page 4-5.

A command rule has the following attributes, in addition to associating a command rule to a command:

- SQL statement the command rule protects
- Owner of the object the command rule affects
- Database object the command rule affects
- Whether the command rule is enabled
- An associated rule set

For more information about SQL statements and operations, refer to *Oracle Database SQL Language Reference*. See also "[SQL Statements That Can Be Protected by Command Rules](#)" on page 6-3.

Command rules can be categorized as follows:

- **Command rules that have a system-wide scope.** With this type, you can only create one command rule for each database instance. Examples are command rules for the `ALTER SYSTEM` and `CONNECT` statements.
- **Command rules that are schema specific.** An example is creating a command rule for the `DROP TABLE` statement.
- **Command rules that are object specific.** An example is creating a command rule for the `DROP TABLE` statement with a specific table included in the command rule definition.

When a user executes a statement affected by a command rule, Oracle Database Vault checks the realm authorization first. If it finds no realm violation and if the associated command rules are enabled, then Database Vault evaluates the associated rule sets. If all the rule sets evaluate to `TRUE`, then the statement is authorized for further processing. If any of the rule sets evaluate to `FALSE`, then the statement is not authorized and a command rule violation is created. [Chapter 5, "Configuring Rule Sets,"](#) describes rule sets in detail.

You can define a command rule that uses factors for the `CONNECT` event to permit or deny sessions after the usual steps—user authentication process, factor initialization, and Oracle Label Security integration—are complete.

For example, you can configure a command rule that allows DDL statements such as `CREATE TABLE`, `DROP TABLE`, and `ALTER TABLE` in the `BIZAPP` schema to be authorized after business hours, but not during business hours.

You can run reports on the command rules that you create in Oracle Database Vault. See ["Related Reports and Data Dictionary View"](#) on page 6-9 for more information.

This chapter explains how to configure command rules by using Oracle Database Vault Administrator. To configure command rules by using the PL/SQL interfaces and packages provided by Oracle Database Vault, refer to the following chapters:

- [Chapter 12, "Using the DVSYS.DBMS\\_MACADM Package"](#)
- [Chapter 15, "Using the Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Interfaces"](#)

## Default Command Rules

[Table 6–1](#) lists default command rules that Oracle Database Vault provides.

**Table 6–1 Default Command Rules**

SQL Statement	Object Name	Rule Set Name
<code>ALTER PROFILE</code>	-	Can Maintain Accounts/Profiles
<code>ALTER SYSTEM</code>	-	Allow Fine Grained Control of System Parameters
<code>ALTER USER</code>	-	Can Maintain Own Account
<code>CREATE PROFILE</code>	-	Can Maintain Accounts/Profiles
<code>CREATE USER</code>	-	Can Maintain Accounts/Profiles
<code>DROP PROFILE</code>	-	Can Maintain Accounts/Profiles
<code>DROP USER</code>	-	Can Maintain Accounts/Profiles

The following set of command rules helps you to achieve separation of duty for user management:

- ALTER PROFILE
- ALTER USER
- CREATE PROFILE
- CREATE USER
- DROP PROFILE
- DROP USER

To grant a user the ability to use these commands, you can grant the user the role that the rule set checks. For example, the CREATE USER command rule ensures that a user who tries to run a CREATE USER statement has the DV\_ACCTMGR role.

## SQL Statements That Can Be Protected by Command Rules

You can protect the following SQL statements by using command rules:

ALTER CLUSTER	CREATE CONTEXT	DROP DIRECTORY
ALTER DIMENSION	CREATE DATABASE LINK	DROP FUNCTION
ALTER FUNCTION	CREATE DIMENSION	DROP INDEX
ALTER INDEX	CREATE DIRECTORY	DROP INDEXTYPE
ALTER INDEXTYPE	CREATE FUNCTION	DROP JAVA
ALTER JAVA	CREATE INDEX	DROP LIBRARY
ALTER OPERATOR	CREATE INDEXTYPE	DROP OPERATOR
ALTER OUTLINE	CREATE JAVA	DROP OUTLINE
ALTER PACKAGE	CREATE LIBRARY	DROP PACKAGE
ALTER PACKAGE BODY	CREATE OPERATOR	DROP PACKAGE BODY
ALTER PROCEDURE	CREATE OUTLINE	DROP PROCEDURE
ALTER PROFILE	CREATE PACKAGE	DROP PROFILE
ALTER RESOURCE COST	CREATE PACKAGE BODY	DROP ROLE
ALTER ROLE	CREATE PROCEDURE	DROP ROLLBACK SEGMENT
ALTER ROLLBACK SEGMENT	CREATE PROFILE	DROP SEQUENCE
ALTER SEQUENCE	CREATE ROLE	DROP SNAPSHOT
ALTER SNAPSHOT	CREATE ROLLBACK SEGMENT	DROP SNAPSHOT LOG
ALTER SNAPSHOT LOG	CREATE SCHEMA	DROP TABLE
ALTER SYNONYM	CREATE SEQUENCE	DROP TABLESPACE
ALTER SYSTEM	CREATE SNAPSHOT	DROP TRIGGER
ALTER TABLE	CREATE SNAPSHOT LOG	DROP TYPE
ALTER TABLESPACE	CREATE SYNONYM	DROP TYPE BODY
ALTER TRIGGER	CREATE TABLE	DROP USER
ALTER TYPE	CREATE TABLESPACE	DROP VIEW
ALTER TYPE BODY	CREATE TRIGGER	EXECUTE

ALTER USER	CREATE TYPE	GRANT
ALTER VIEW	CREATE TYPE BODY	INSERT
ANALYZE CLUSTER	CREATE USER	NOAUDIT
ANALYZE INDEX	CREATE VIEW	RENAME
ANALYZE TABLE	DELETE	REVOKE
ASSOCIATE STATISTICS	DISASSOCIATE STATISTICS	SELECT
AUDIT	DROP CLUSTER	TRUNCATE CLUSTER
COMMENT	DROP CONTEXT	TRUNCATE TABLE
CONNECT	DROP DATABASE LINK	UPDATE
CREATE CLUSTER	DROP DIMENSION	

## Creating and Editing a Command Rule

Follow these steps:

1. Log in to Oracle Database Vault Administrator as a user who has been granted the DV\_OWNER or DV\_ADMIN role.  
["Starting Oracle Database Vault"](#) on page 3-1 explains how to log in.
2. In the Administration page, under Database Vault Feature Administration, click **Command Rules**.
3. In the Command Rules page:
  - To create a new command rule, click **Create**.
  - To edit an existing command rule, select it from the list and then click **Edit**.
4. In the Create (or Edit) Command Rule page, enter the following settings, and then click **OK**.
  - [General](#)
  - [Applicability](#)
  - [Rule Set](#)

### General

Enter the following settings:

- **Command:** Select the SQL statement or operation for which you want to create a command rule. This attribute is mandatory.
- **Status:** Select either **Enabled** or **Disabled** to enable or disable the command rule during run time. The default is **Enabled**. This attribute is mandatory.

### Applicability

Enter the following settings:

- **Object Owner:** From the list, select the owner of the object the command rule affects. You can use wildcard character % to select all owners. (However, you cannot use wildcard characters with text, such as EM% to select all owners whose names begin in EM.) This attribute is mandatory for all SQL statements that operate on objects within a specific schema. See ["SQL Statements That Can Be Protected by Command Rules"](#) on page 6-3 for a list of supported SQL statements.

Note that the `SELECT`, `INSERT`, `UPDATE`, `DELETE`, and `EXECUTE` statements are not allowed for a selection of all (%) or the `SYS` and `DVSYS` schemas.

- **Object Name:** Enter the name of the database object that the command rule affects, or specify % to select all database objects. However, you cannot use wildcard characters with text (for example, `EMP_%` to specify all tables beginning with the characters `EMP_`). This attribute is mandatory, if you selected an object owner from the Object Owner list.

You can run Oracle Database Vault reports on objects that the command rule affects. See the ["Related Reports and Data Dictionary View"](#) on page 6-9 for more information.

### Rule Set

From the list, select the rule set that you want to associate with the command rule. This attribute is mandatory.

If the rule set evaluates to true, then the SQL statement succeeds. If it evaluates to false, the statement fails, and then Oracle Database Vault raises a command rule violation. (You can track rule violations by using the Command Rule Configuration Issues Report, discussed in [Chapter 17](#).) Any auditing and custom event handling associated with the rule set occurs as a part of the command rule processing.

See [Chapter 5, "Configuring Rule Sets,"](#) for more information about rule sets.

**See Also:** ["Propagating Oracle Database Vault Policies to Other Databases"](#) on page 10-2

## Deleting a Command Rule

Before you delete a command rule, you can locate the various references to it by querying the command rule-related Oracle Database Vault views. See ["Oracle Database Vault Data Dictionary Views"](#) on page 11-15 for more information.

To delete a command rule:

1. In the Oracle Database Vault Administration page, select **Command Rules**.
2. In the Command Rules page, select the command rule that you want to remove.
3. Click **Remove**.
4. In the Confirmation page, click **Yes**.

## How Command Rules Work

["How Realms Work"](#) on page 4-8 describes what happens when a database account issues a `SELECT`, `DDL`, or `DML` statement that affects objects within a realm.

The following actions take place when `SELECT`, `DDL`, or `DML` statement is issued:

1. Oracle Database Vault queries all the command rules that need to be applied.

For `SELECT`, `DDL`, and `DML` statements, multiple command rules may apply because the object owner and object name support wildcard notation.

You can associate rule sets with both command rules and realm authorizations.

Oracle Database Vault evaluates the realm authorization rule set first, and then it evaluates the rule sets that apply to the command type being evaluated.

2. For each command rule that applies, Oracle Database Vault evaluates its associated rule set.

3. If the associated rule set of any of the applicable command rules returns false or errors, Oracle Database Vault prevents the command from executing. Otherwise, the command is authorized for further processing. The configuration of the rule set with respect to auditing and event handlers dictates the auditing or custom processing that occurs.

Command rules override object privileges. You can disable (or set the **Disabled** setting for) either a command or a rule set of a command. If a command rule is disabled, then the command rule is not allowed to run regardless of its associated rule set. That is, the command rule itself is disabled. However, if you disable a rule set of a command rule, then the rule set is not checked. In that case, the command rule is allowed to run without any condition. If the command rule has been set to the **Disabled** setting, then you are prevented from querying the table even though you have the `SELECT` privilege on the table. (Only the rule set has been disabled, not the command rule itself.)

## Tutorial: Using a Command Rule to Control Table Creations by a User

This section contains:

- [About This Tutorial](#)
- [Step 1: Connect as User SCOTT and Create a Table](#)
- [Step 2: Connect Using the DVOWNER or DV\\_ADMIN Role and Create a Command Rule](#)
- [Step 3: Test the Command Rule](#)
- [Step 4: Remove the Components for this Tutorial](#)

**See Also:** ["Tutorial: Creating an E-Mail Alert for Security Violations"](#) on page 5-10 for another example of how a command rule can work with a rule set to send an e-mail alert when a violation occurs

### About This Tutorial

In this tutorial, you create a simple command rule that disables and then enables the ability of user `SCOTT` to create tables.

### Step 1: Connect as User SCOTT and Create a Table

1. Log in to SQL\*Plus as user `SCOTT`.

```
sqlplus scott
Enter password: password
```

If the `SCOTT` account is locked and expired, then log in as the Database Vault Account Manager and unlock `SCOTT` and create a new password. For example:

```
sqlplus amalcolm_dvacctmgr
Enter password: password
```

```
ALTER USER SCOTT ACCOUNT UNLOCK IDENTIFIED BY password;
```

Replace *password* with a password that is secure. See *Oracle Database Security Guide* for the minimum requirements for creating passwords.

```
CONNECT SCOTT
Enter password: password
```



2. As user SCOTT, create a table.

```
CREATE TABLE t1 (num NUMBER);
```

3. Now drop the table.

```
DROP TABLE t1;
```

At this stage, user SCOTT can create and drop tables. Do not exit SQL\*Plus yet, and remain connected as SCOTT. You must use it later on when SCOTT tries to create another table.

## Step 2: Connect Using the DVOWNER or DV\_ADMIN Role and Create a Command Rule

1. Log in to Oracle Database Vault Administrator as a user who has been granted the DV\_OWNER or DV\_ADMIN role.

"Starting Oracle Database Vault" on page 3-1 explains how to log in.

2. In the Oracle Database Vault Administrator Administration page, click **Command Rules**.

The Command Rules page appears.

3. Click **Create**.

The Create Command Rule page appears.

4. Enter the following settings:

- **Command list:** Select **CREATE TABLE**
- **Status:** Set to **Enabled** so that the command rule is active.
- **Object Owner:** Select **SCOTT**.
- **Object Name:** Set to % so that it applies to all objects in the SCOTT schema.
- **Rule Set:** Select **Disabled** so that user SCOTT is prevented from creating tables.

5. Click **OK**.

Do not exit Database Vault Administrator

Command rules take effect immediately. Right away, user SCOTT is prevented from creating tables, even though he is still in the same user session he was in a moment ago, before you created the CREATE TABLE command rule.

## Step 3: Test the Command Rule

1. In SQL\*Plus, ensure that you are logged on as user SCOTT.

```
CONNECT SCOTT
Enter password: password
```

2. Try to create a table.

```
CREATE TABLE t1 (num NUMBER);
```

The following output should appear:

```
ORA-47400: Command Rule violation for create table on SCOTT.T1
```

As you can see, SCOTT is no longer allowed to create tables, even in his own schema.

3. In Oracle Database Vault Administrator, do the following:
  - a. In the Command Rules page, select the CREATE TABLE command rule and then click **Edit**.
  - b. In the Edit Command Rule page, select **Enabled** from the **Rule Set** list.
  - c. Click **OK**.
4. In SQL\*Plus, as user SCOTT, try creating the table again.

```
CREATE TABLE t1 (num NUMBER);
```

```
Table created.
```

Now that the CREATE TABLE command rule is set to Enabled, user SCOTT is once again permitted to create tables. (Do not exit SQL\*Plus.)

## Step 4: Remove the Components for this Tutorial

1. In Oracle Database Vault Administrator, remove the CREATE TABLE command rule as follows:
  - Return to the Command Rules page.
  - Select the CREATE TABLE command rule and then click **Remove**.
  - In the Confirmation page, click **Yes**.
2. Log in to SQL\*Plus as user SCOTT and remove the t1 table.

```
DROP TABLE t1;
```

3. If you no longer need the SCOTT account to be available, then connect as the Database Vault Account Manager and enter the following ALTER USER statement:

```
CONNECT amalcolm_dvacctmgr  
Enter password: password
```

```
ALTER USER SCOTT ACCOUNT LOCK PASSWORD EXPIRE;
```

## Guidelines for Designing Command Rules

Follow these guidelines to design command rules:

- Create finer-grained command rules, because they are far easier to maintain.

For example, if you want to prevent SELECT statements from occurring on specific schema objects, then design multiple command rules to stop the SELECT statements on those specific schema objects, rather than creating a general command rule to prevent SELECT statements in the schema level.
- When designing rules for the CONNECT event, be careful to include logic that does not inadvertently lock out the Oracle Database Vault Owner or Administrator.

If the account has been locked out, you can disable Oracle Database Vault, correct the rule that is causing the lock-out problem, and then reenabling Oracle Database Vault. Even when Oracle Database Vault is disabled, you still can use Database Vault Administrator and the Database Vault PL/SQL packages. See [Appendix B, "Disabling and Enabling Oracle Database Vault,"](#) for instructions on disabling and reenabling Database Vault.
- Sometimes you must temporarily relax an enabled command rule for an administrative task. Rather than disabling the command rule, have the Security

Manager (the account with the DV\_ADMIN or DV\_OWNER role) log in, set the rule set to **Enabled**, turn on **Auditing on Success or Failure** for the default rule set named Enabled, and then set the command rule back to its original rule set when the task is complete.

- When designing command rules, be careful to consider automated processes such as backup where these procedures may be inadvertently disabled. You can account for these tasks by creating rules that allow the command when a series of Oracle Database Vault factors is known to be true (for example, the program being used), and the account being used or the computer or network on which the client program is running.

## How Command Rules Affect Performance

The performance of a command rule depends on the complexity of the rules in the rule set associated with the command rule. For example, suppose a rule set invokes a PL/SQL function that takes 5 seconds to run. In this case, a command rule that uses that rule set would take 5 seconds to grant access for the command statement to run.

You can check the system performance by running tools such as Oracle Enterprise Manager (including Oracle Enterprise Manager Database Control, which is installed by default with Oracle Database), Statspack, and TKPROF. For more information about Oracle Enterprise Manager, see the Oracle Enterprise Manager documentation set. For information about Database Control, refer to its online Help. *Oracle Database Performance Tuning Guide* describes the Statspack and TKPROF utilities.

## Related Reports and Data Dictionary View

Table 6–2 lists Oracle Database Vault reports that are useful for analyzing command rules. See Chapter 17, "Oracle Database Vault Reports," for information about how to run these reports.

**Table 6–2 Reports Related to Command Rules**

Report	Description
"Command Rule Audit Report" on page 17-4	Lists audit records generated by command rule processing operations
"Command Rule Configuration Issues Report" on page 17-3	Tracks rule violations, in addition to other configuration issues the command rule may have
"Object Privilege Reports" on page 17-5	Lists object privileges that the command rule affects
"Sensitive Objects Reports" on page 17-7	Lists objects that the command rule affects
"Rule Set Configuration Issues Report" on page 17-4	Lists rules sets that have no rules defined or enabled, which may affect the command rules that use them

You can use the DBA\_DV\_COMMAND\_RULE data dictionary view to find the SQL statements that are protected by command rules. See "DBA\_DV\_COMMAND\_RULE View" on page 11-18 for more information.



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## Configuring Factors

This chapter contains:

- [What Are Factors?](#)
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- [Editing a Factor](#)
- [Adding an Identity to a Factor](#)
- [Deleting a Factor](#)
- [How Factors Work](#)
- [Tutorial: Preventing Ad Hoc Tool Access to the Database](#)
- [Tutorial: Restricting User Activities Based on Session Data](#)
- [Guidelines for Designing Factors](#)
- [How Factors Affect Performance](#)
- [Related Reports and Data Dictionary Views](#)

### What Are Factors?

A **factor** is a named variable or attribute, such as a user location, database IP address, or session user, that Oracle Database Vault can recognize. You can use factors for activities such as authorizing database accounts to connect to the database or creating filtering logic to restrict the visibility and manageability of data.

Oracle Database Vault provides a selection of factors that lets you set controls on such components as the domain for your site, IP addresses, databases, and so on. "[Default Factors](#)" on page 7-2 describes the default factors in detail. You also can create custom factors, using your own PL/SQL retrieval methods.

You can use factors in combination with rules in rule sets. The DVF factor functions described in "[Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Factor Functions](#)" on page 15-6 are factor-specific functions that you can use in rule expressions.

Factors have values (identities) and are further categorized by their factor types. "[Factor Identification](#)" on page 7-5 explains more about factor identities. See "Factor Type" under "[General](#)" on page 7-4 for information about factor types.

You also can integrate factors with Oracle Label Security labels. "[Integrating Oracle Database Vault with Oracle Label Security](#)" on page 9-3 explains how. See "[Tutorial:](#)

[Integrating Oracle Database Vault with Oracle Label Security](#)" on page 9-6 for more information.

You can run reports on the factors that you create in Oracle Database Vault. See ["Related Reports and Data Dictionary Views"](#) on page 7-30 for more information.

This chapter explains how to configure factors by using Oracle Database Vault Administrator. To configure factors by using the PL/SQL packages and interfaces provided by Oracle Database Vault, refer to the following chapters:

- [Chapter 12, "Using the DVSYS.DBMS\\_MACADM Package"](#)
- [Chapter 15, "Using the Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Interfaces"](#)

## Default Factors

Oracle Database Vault provides a set of default factors. For each of these factors, there is an associated function that retrieves the value of the factor. See ["Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Factor Functions"](#) on page 15-6 for a listing of these functions.

You can create custom factors by using your own PL/SQL retrieval methods. A useful PL/SQL function you can use (which is used for many of the default factors) is the `SYS_CONTEXT` SQL function, which retrieves data about the user session. After you create the custom factor, you can query its values similar to the functions used to query the default factors. ["Tutorial: Preventing Ad Hoc Tool Access to the Database"](#) on page 7-17 shows an example of how to create and query a custom factor.

See *Oracle Database SQL Language Reference* for more information about the `SYS_CONTEXT` function.

You can use the default factors in your own security configurations. If you do not need them, you can remove them. (That is, they are not needed for internal use by Oracle Database Vault.)

The default factors are as follows:

- **Authentication\_Method:** Is the method of authentication. In the list that follows, the type of user is followed by the method returned:
  - Password-authenticated enterprise user, local database user, or SYSDBA/SYSOPER using Password File; proxy with user name using password: PASSWORD
  - Kerberos-authenticated enterprise or external user: KERBEROS
  - SSL-authenticated enterprise or external user: SSL
  - Radius-authenticated external user: RADIUS
  - Operating system-authenticated external user or SYSDBA/SYSOPER: OS
  - DCE-authenticated external user: DCE
  - Proxy with certificate, distinguished name (DN), or user name without using password: NONE

You can use `IDENTIFICATION_TYPE` to distinguish between external and enterprise users when the authentication method is Password, Kerberos, or SSL.

- **Client\_IP:** Is the IP address of the machine from which the client is connected.
- **Database\_Domain:** Is the domain of the database as specified in the `DB_DOMAIN` initialization parameter.

- **Database\_Hostname:** Is the host name of the computer on which the instance is running.
- **Database\_Instance:** Is the instance identification number of the current instance.
- **Database\_IP:** Is the IP address of the computer on which the instance is running.
- **Database\_Name:** Is the name of the database as specified in the `DB_NAME` initialization parameter.
- **Domain:** Is a named collection of physical, configuration, or implementation-specific factors in the run-time environment (for example, a networked IT environment or subset of it) that operates at a specific sensitivity level. You can identify a domain using factors such as host name, IP address, and database instance names of the Database Vault nodes in a secure access path to the database. Each domain can be uniquely determined using a combination of the factor identifiers that identify the domain. You can use these identifying factors and possibly additional factors to define the Maximum Security Label within the domain. This restricts data access and commands, depending on the physical factors about the Database Vault session. Example domains of interest may be Corporate Sensitive, Internal Public, Partners, and Customers.
- **Enterprise\_Identity:** Is the enterprise-wide identity for the user:
  - For enterprise users: the Oracle Internet Directory-distinguished name (DN).
  - For external users: the external identity (Kerberos principal name, Radius and DCE schema names, operating system user name, certificate DN).
  - For local users and `SYSDBA` and `SYSOPER` logins: `NULL`.

The value of the attribute differs by proxy method:

- For a proxy with DN: the Oracle Internet Directory DN of the client.
  - For a proxy with certificate: the certificate DN of the client for external users; the Oracle Internet Directory DN for global users.
  - For a proxy with user names: the Oracle Internet Directory DN if the client is an enterprise user; `NULL` if the client is a local database user.
- **Identification\_Type:** Is the way the user schema was created in the database. Specifically, it reflects the `IDENTIFIED` clause in the `CREATE/ALTER USER` syntax. In the list that follows, the syntax used during schema creation is followed by the identification type returned:
    - `IDENTIFIED BY password:` `LOCAL`
    - `IDENTIFIED EXTERNALLY:` `EXTERNAL`
    - `IDENTIFIED GLOBALLY:` `GLOBAL SHARED`
    - `IDENTIFIED GLOBALLY AS DN:` `GLOBAL PRIVATE`
  - **Lang:** Is the ISO abbreviation for the language name, a shorter form than the existing `LANGUAGE` parameter.
  - **Language:** Is the language and territory your session currently uses, along with the database character set, in the following form:

*language\_territory.characterset*

For example:

`AMERICAN_AMERICA.WE8MSWIN1252`

Refer to *Oracle Database Globalization Support Guide* for more information about languages, territories, and character sets.

- **Machine:** Is the host name for the database client that established the current session. If you must find out whether the computer was used for a client or server session, then you can compare this setting with the Database\_Hostname factor to make the determination.
- **Network\_Protocol:** Is the network protocol being used for communication, as specified in the `PROTOCOL=protocol` portion of the connect string.
- **Proxy\_Enterprise\_Identity:** Is the Oracle Internet Directory DN when the proxy user is an enterprise user.
- **Proxy\_User:** Is the name of the database user who opened the current session on behalf of `SESSION_USER`.
- **Session\_User:** Is the database user name by which the current user is authenticated. This value remains the same throughout the session.

## Creating a Factor

In general, to create a factor, you first create the factor itself, and then you edit the factor to include its identity. "[Guidelines for Designing Factors](#)" on page 7-28 provides advice on designing factors.

To create a factor:

1. Log in to Oracle Database Vault Administrator as a user who has been granted the `DV_OWNER` or `DV_ADMIN` role.  
["Starting Oracle Database Vault"](#) on page 3-1 explains how to log in.
2. In the Administration page, under Database Vault Feature Administration, click **Factors**.
3. In the Factors page, click **Create**.
4. In the Create Factor page, enter the following settings, and then click **OK**:
  - [General](#)
  - [Factor Identification](#)
  - [Evaluation](#)
  - [Factor Labeling](#)
  - [Retrieval Method](#)
  - [Validation Method](#)
  - [Assignment Rule Set](#)
  - [Audit Options](#)
  - [Error Options](#)

### General

In the General area, enter the following information:

- **Name:** Enter a name up to 28 characters in mixed-case, without spaces. Oracle Database Vault creates a valid Oracle identifier for the factor function to be created in the `DVF` schema based on the name of the factor chosen. For example, if you



create a factor named `GetNetworkIP`, Oracle Database Vault creates the `DVF.F$GETNETWORKIP` function. This attribute is mandatory.

Oracle suggests that you start the name with a noun and complete the name with a brief description of the derived value.

"Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Factor Functions" on page 15-6 describes the `DVF` factor functions.

- **Description:** Enter a text description of the factor. It can have up to 1024 characters in mixed-case. This attribute is optional.
- **Factor Type:** From the list, select the type or category of the factor. This attribute is mandatory.

Factor types have a name and description and are used only to help classify factors. A factor type is the category name used to classify the factor. The default physical factor types include authentication method, host name, host IP address, instance identifiers, database account information, and others. You can create user-defined factor types, such as application name, certificate information, and so on in addition to the installed factor types, such as time and authentication method.

You can find the factors that are associated with a particular factor type by querying the `DBA_DV_FACTOR` data dictionary view. For example:

```
SELECT NAME
FROM DVSYS.DBA_DV_FACTOR
WHERE FACTOR_TYPE_NAME='Authentication Method';
```

The output is:

```
NAME
-----
Network_Protocol
Authentication_Method
Identification_Type
```

---

**Note:** To create user-defined factor types by using the Oracle Database Vault `DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM` package, use the `CREATE_FACTOR_TYPE` procedure, described in "CREATE\_FACTOR\_TYPE Procedure" on page 12-34.

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### Factor Identification

Under Factor Identification, select how to resolve the identity of a factor. This attribute is mandatory. The values are as follows:

- **By Method:** Default. Sets the factor identity by executing the PL/SQL expression specified in the **Retrieval Method** field.

For example, suppose the expression retrieves the system date:

```
to_char(sysdate, 'yyyy-mm-dd')
```

On December 6, 2009, the **By Method** option would return the following value:

```
2009-12-06
```

- **By Constant:** Resolves the factor identity by retrieving the constant value found in the **Retrieval Method** field.

- **By Factors:** Determines the factor identity by mapping the identities of the child factor to its parent factor. A parent factor is a factor whose values are resolved based on a second factor, called a child factor. To establish their relationship, you map their identities. (You do not need to specify a **Retrieval Method** expression for this option.)

See ["Using Identity Mapping to Configure an Identity to Use Other Factors"](#) on page 7-13 for more information about mapping identities.

A **factor identity** is the actual value of a factor (for example, the IP address for a factor that uses the IP\_Address type). A factor can have several identities depending on its retrieval method or its identity mapping logic. For example, a factor such as Database\_Hostname could have multiple identities in an Oracle Real Application Clusters environment; a factor such as Client\_IP can have multiple identities in any RDBMS environment. The retrieval method for these types of factors may return different values because the retrieval method is based on the database session.

Several reports allow you to track the factor identity configuration. See ["Related Reports and Data Dictionary Views"](#) on page 7-30 for more information.

You can configure the assignment of a factor in the following ways:

- Assign the factor at the time a database session is established.
- Configure individual requests to retrieve the identity of the factor.

With the Oracle Label Security integration, you can label identities with an Oracle Label Security label. You can also assign an identity *trust levels*, which are numbers that indicate the magnitude of trust relative to other identities for the same factor. In general, the higher the trust level number is set, the greater the trust. Negative trust levels are not trusted.

**See Also:** ["Adding an Identity to a Factor"](#) on page 7-10 for more information about factor identities

Within a database session, a factor assigned identity is available to Oracle Database Vault and any application with a publicly accessible PL/SQL function that exists in the DVF schema (which contains functions that retrieve factor values) as follows:

```
dvf.f$factor_name
```

This allows the identifier for a factor to be accessed globally from within the Oracle database (using PL/SQL, SQL, Oracle Virtual Private Database, triggers, and so on). For example, in SQL\*Plus:

```
CONNECT lbrown_dvowner
Enter password: password

SELECT DVF.F$DATABASE_IP FROM DUAL;
```

Output similar to the following appears:

```
SELECT DVF.F$DATABASE_IP FROM DUAL;

F$DATABASE_IP
-----
192.0.2.1
```

You can also use the DVSYS.GET\_FACTOR function to find the identity of a factor that is made available for public access. For example:

```
SELECT GET_FACTOR('DATABASE_IP') FROM DUAL;
```

The following output appears:

```
GET_FACTOR('DATABASE_IP')
```

```
-----  
192.0.2.1
```

### Evaluation

Under Evaluation, select how you want the factor to be evaluated and assigned an identity. See ["How Factors Affect Performance"](#) on page 7-29 for the performance effect of session factors. This attribute is mandatory.

The values are as follows:

- **By Session:** Default. Evaluates the factor when a database session is created.
- **By Access:** Evaluates the factor each time it is accessed (for example, referenced by an application) and when the database session is first created.

### Factor Labeling

Under Factor Labeling, select how you want the factor identity to retrieve an Oracle Label Security (OLS) label. This setting applies if you plan to use the Oracle Label Security integration. This attribute is mandatory if you want to use an OLS label. (See also ["Integrating Oracle Database Vault with Oracle Label Security"](#) on page 9-3 for information on integrating OLS labels with a factors.

The values are as follows:

- **By Self:** Default. Labels the identities for the factor directly from the labels associated with an Oracle Label Security policy.
- **By Factors:** If there are multiple child factor labels, then Oracle Database Vault merges the labels by using the Oracle Label Security algorithm that is associated with the applicable Oracle Label Security policy. For each applicable Oracle Label Security policy, a factor identity can have an assigned label.

### Retrieval Method

Under Retrieval Method, enter a PL/SQL expression that retrieves the identity of a factor or a constant. It can use up to 255 characters in mixed-case. The Retrieval Method identifies factors where the factor identification is by method or constant. If the factor identification is by factors, Oracle Database Vault identifies it by its identity mappings.

You can create your own PL/SQL retrieval methods, or use the functions supplied with Oracle Database Vault. See the following sections for factor-specific and general utility functions that you can use to build the retrieval method:

- ["Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Factor Functions"](#) on page 15-6
- ["Factor Procedures and Functions Within DVSYS.DBMS\\_MACADM"](#) on page 12-26
- [Chapter 14, "Using the DVSYS.DBMS\\_MACUTL Package"](#)

The following retrieval method sets a value of the DB\_NAME factor by retrieving the database name (DB\_NAME) from the USERENV namespace in a user's session.

```
UPPER(SYS_CONTEXT('USERENV','DB_NAME'))
```

See also the default factors provided with Oracle Database Vault for examples of retrieval methods. ["Default Factors"](#) on page 7-2 describes these factors.

The **Retrieval Method** field is mandatory if you have selected the following settings under Factor Identification:

- **By Method:** Enter a method in the Retrieval Method field.
- **By Constant:** Enter a constant in the Retrieval Method field.

The value returned as the factor identity must be a VARCHAR2 string or otherwise convertible to one.

You can include any package function or standalone function in the expression. Ensure that the expression is a fully qualified function, such as *schema.function\_name*. Do not include complete SQL statements. If you are using application packages or functions, you must provide DVSYS with the GRANT EXECUTE privilege on the object.

Write the function signature using the following format:

```
FUNCTION GET_FACTOR RETURN VARCHAR2
```

### Validation Method

Under Validation Method, enter a PL/SQL expression that returns a Boolean value (TRUE or FALSE) to validate the identity of a factor being retrieved (with the DVSYS.GET\_FACTOR function) or the value to be assigned to a factor (with the DVSYS.SET\_FACTOR function). If the method is evaluated to false for the value being retrieved or to be assigned, then the factor identity is set to null. This optional feature provides an additional level of assurance that the factor is properly retrieved and set. This field can have up to 255 characters in mixed-case.

You can include any package function or standalone function in the expression. Ensure that the expression is a fully qualified function, such as *schema.function\_name*. Do not include complete SQL statements. If you are using application packages or functions, you must provide DVSYS with the GRANT EXECUTE privilege on the object.

Write the function using one of the following formats:

- FUNCTION IS\_VALID RETURN BOOLEAN

In this form, you can use the `DVF.F$factor_name` function inside the function logic. This is more appropriate for factors that are evaluated by session.

- FUNCTION IS\_VALID(*p\_factor\_value* VARCHAR2) RETURN BOOLEAN

In this form, the factor value is passed to the validation function directly. This is more appropriate for factors that are evaluated by access. It is also valid for factors evaluated by session.

See the following sections for factor-specific and general utility functions that you can use to build the validation method:

- ["Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Factor Functions"](#) on page 15-6
- ["Factor Procedures and Functions Within DVSYS.DBMS\\_MACADM"](#) on page 12-26
- [Chapter 14, "Using the DVSYS.DBMS\\_MACUTL Package"](#)

### Assignment Rule Set

Under Assignment Rule Set, select a rule set from the list if you want to use a rule set to control when and how a factor identity is set. For example, you can use a rule set to determine when a database session originates from a known application server or program. [Chapter 5, "Configuring Rule Sets,"](#) explains how to create rule sets.

This attribute is particularly useful for situations where database applications, such as a Web application using a JDBC connection pool, must dynamically set a factor identity for the current database session. For example, a Web application may want to assign the geographic location for a database account logging in to the Web application. To do so, the Web application can use the JDBC Callable Statement, or Oracle Data Provider for .NET (ODP.NET) to execute the PL/SQL function `DVSYS.SET_FACTOR`, for example:

```
BEGIN
  DVSYS.SET_FACTOR('GEO_STATE', 'VIRGINIA');
END;
```

Then you can create an assignment rule for the `GEO_STATE` factor to allow or disallow the setting of the `GEO_STATE` factor based on other factors or rule expressions. See ["How Factors Are Set"](#) on page 7-17 for more information.

### Audit Options

Under Audit Options, select from the settings to generate an audit trail. Oracle Database Vault writes the audit trail to the `DVSYS.AUDIT_TRAIL$` system file, described in [Appendix A, "Auditing Oracle Database Vault."](#)

You can use the Factor Audit Report to display the generated audit records. (See ["Related Reports and Data Dictionary Views"](#) on page 7-30 for more information.) In addition, you can select multiple audit options at a time. Each option is converted to a bit mask and added to determine the aggregate behavior. Note that there is little performance impact in auditing, unless the factor has errors. This attribute is mandatory. The values are as follows:

- **Never:** Does not audit.
- **Always:** Always creates an audit record when a factor is evaluated. You can select from the conditions, described next.
- **Sometimes:** Creates an audit record based on one or more conditions. When you select **Sometimes**, by default the **Retrieval Error** and **Retrieval NULL** options are selected.

You can select from the following conditions listed next.

Conditions that you can select for the **Always** and **Sometimes** options are as follows:

- **Retrieval Error:** Creates an audit record when the identity of a factor cannot be resolved and assigned, due to an error (such as `No data found` or `Too many rows`).
- **Retrieval NULL:** Creates an audit record when the identity of a factor is resolved to `NULL`.
- **Validation Error:** Creates an audit record when the validation method (if provided) returns an error.
- **Validation False:** Creates an audit record when the validation method (if provided) returns `FALSE`.
- **Trust Level NULL:** Creates an audit record when the resolved identity of a factor has an assigned trust level of `NULL`.

See ["Creating and Configuring a Factor Identity"](#) on page 7-11 for more information about trust levels.

- **Trust Level Less Than Zero:** Creates an audit record when the resolved identity of a factor has an assigned trust level less than zero.

### Error Options

Under Error Options, select from the following to specify the processing that occurs when a factory identity cannot be resolved. This attribute is mandatory.

The values are as follows:

- **Show Error Message:** Default. Displays an error message to the database session.
- **Do Not Show Error Message:** Does not display the error message.

An advantage of selecting **Do Not Show Error Message** and then enabling auditing is that you can track the activities of a potential intruder. The audit report reveals the activities of the intruder, yet the intruder is unaware that you are doing this because he or she does not see any error messages.

After you have created a new factor, you are ready to configure its identity. To do so, edit the factor and then add its identity.

#### See Also:

- ["Editing a Factor"](#) on page 7-10
- ["Adding an Identity to a Factor"](#) on page 7-10
- ["Propagating Oracle Database Vault Policies to Other Databases"](#) on page 10-2

## Editing a Factor

To edit a factor:

1. In the Oracle Database Vault Administration page, select **Factors**.
2. In the Factors page, select the factor that you want to edit.
3. Click **Edit**.
4. Modify the factor as necessary, and then click **OK**.

#### See Also:

- ["Creating a Factor"](#) on page 7-4 to modify the settings created for a new factor
- ["Adding an Identity to a Factor"](#) on page 7-10 to add or modify an identity for the factor

## Adding an Identity to a Factor

After you create a new factor, you optionally can add an identity to it. An identity is the actual value of the factor. For example, the identity of an IP\_Address factor could be the IP address of 192.0.2.4.

This section contains:

- [About Factor Identities](#)
- [Creating and Configuring a Factor Identity](#)
- [Using Identity Mapping to Configure an Identity to Use Other Factors](#)

## About Factor Identities

A factor identity for a given database session is assigned at run time using the **Factor Identification** and **Retrieval Method** fields described in "Creating a Factor" on page 7-4. You can further configure the identity for the following reasons:

- To define the known identities for a factor
- To add a trust level to a factor identity
- To add an Oracle Label Security label to a factor identity
- To resolve a factor identity through its child factors, by using Identity Mapping

### See Also:

- ["How Factors Work"](#) on page 7-15 for more information about how a factor behaves during a database session
- ["Tutorial: Restricting User Activities Based on Session Data"](#) on page 7-23 for an example of how to create and use factor identities

## Creating and Configuring a Factor Identity

To create and configure an identity:

1. In the Oracle Database Vault Administration page, select **Factors**.
2. In the Factors page, select the factor to which you want to add the identity.
3. Click **Edit**.
4. In the Edit Factor page, scroll down to Identities and click **Create**.
5. In the Create Identity page, enter the following settings and then click **OK**:
  - [General](#)
  - [Label Identity](#)

### General

Enter the following values:

- **Value:** Enter the value of the identity, up to 1024 characters in mixed-case. This attribute is mandatory.
- **Trust Level:** Select one of the following trust levels:
  - **Very Trusted:** Assigns a trust level value of 10
  - **Trusted:** Assigns a trust level value of 5
  - **Somewhat Trusted:** Assigns a trust level value of 1
  - **Untrusted:** Assigns a trust level value of -1
  - **Trust Level Not Defined:** Assigns a trust level value of NULL (default)

Trust levels enable you to assign a numeric value to indicate the measure of trust allowed. A trust value of 1 signifies some trust. A higher value indicates a higher level of trust. A negative value or zero indicates distrust. When the factor identity returned from a factor retrieval method is not defined in the identity, Oracle Database Vault automatically assigns the identity a negative trust level.

To determine the trust level of a factor identity at run time, you can use the `GET_TRUST_LEVEL` and `GET_TRUST_LEVEL_FOR_IDENTITY` functions in the `DVSYS` schema.

For example, suppose you have created a factor named Network. You can create the following identities for the Network factor:

- Intranet, with a trust level of 10
- VPN (virtual private network), with a trust level of 5
- Public, with a trust level of 1

You then can create rule expressions (or custom application code) that base policy decisions on the trust level. For example, you can use `DVSYS.GET_TRUST_LEVEL` to find trust levels greater than 5:

```
DVSYS.GET_TRUST_LEVEL('Network') > 5
```

Or, you can use a `SELECT` statement on the `DVSYS.DBA_DV_IDENTITY` data dictionary view to find trust levels for the Network factor greater than or equal to 5:

```
SELECT VALUE, TRUST_LEVEL FROM DVSYS.DBA_DV_IDENTITY
WHERE TRUST_LEVEL >= 5
AND FACTOR_NAME='Network'
```

Output similar to the following appears:

```
F$NETWORK GET_TRUST_LEVEL('NETWORK')
-----
VPN                    5
INTRANET               10
```

In the preceding example, Network factor identity for VPN is trusted (value equals 5), and the identity for the INTRANET domain is 10, which implies a greater trust.

See [Chapter 15, "Using the Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Interfaces,"](#) for more information about the Oracle Database Vault functions.

### Label Identity

You can assign Oracle Label Security (OLS) labels to factor identities. (In brief, a label acts as an identifier for a database table row to assign privileges to the row. For more information about labels, see *Oracle Label Security Administrator's Guide*.) The **Factor Labeling** attribute for a factor determines whether a factor is labeled **By Self** or **By Factors**. If you set the **Factor Labeling** attribute to **By Self**, then you can associate OLS labels with the factor identities. If you set the **Factor Labeling** attribute to **By Factors**, then Oracle Database Vault derives the factor identity labels from the labeling of child factor identities. When there are multiple child factor identities with labels, Oracle Database Vault merges the labels using the OLS algorithm associated with the applicable factor Oracle Label Security policy.

To label an identity:

1. In the Create Identity page, under Label Identity, select the OLS label from the **Available OLS Labels** list.

The list shows data labels from the Oracle Label Security installation for your site. For more information, refer to *Oracle Label Security Administrator's Guide*.

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**Note:** You can select multiple labels by holding down the Ctrl key as you click each label that is to be selected.

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2. Click **Move** to move the OLS label to the **Selected OLS Labels** list.
3. Repeat Step 1 and Step 2 to select more OLS labels.



You can select only one label for each OLS policy.

4. Click **OK** to finish labeling the identity.

### Editing a Factor Identity

To edit a factor identity:

1. In the Edit Factor page, scroll down to Identities and select the identity you want to edit.
2. Click **Edit**.
3. In the Edit Identity page, modify the identity as necessary.
4. Click **OK**.

### Deleting a Factor Identity

Before you delete a factor identity, you can locate the various references to it by querying the factor-related Oracle Database Vault views. See "[Oracle Database Vault Data Dictionary Views](#)" on page 11-15 for more information.

To delete a factor identity:

1. In the Edit Factor page, scroll down to Identities and select the identity you want to remove.
2. Click **Remove**.
3. In the Confirmation page, click **Yes**.

## Using Identity Mapping to Configure an Identity to Use Other Factors

After you create, edit, and save the factor identity, you can map it. Identity mapping is the process of identifying a factor by using other (child) factors. This is a way to transform combinations of factors into logical identities for a factor or to transform continuous identity values (for example, temperature) or large discrete identity values (for example, IP address ranges) into logical sets. To check configuration issues in the mapping for an identity, see "[Identity Configuration Issues Report](#)" on page 17-3. See also "[Tutorial: Restricting User Activities Based on Session Data](#)" on page 7-23 for an example of how to use identity mapping.

To map an identity to a factor:

1. Create a parent factor and set the attribute **Factor Identification** to **By Factors**. "[Creating a Factor](#)" on page 7-4 describes how to create factors.
2. For the parent factor, create a new factor identity. "[Creating and Configuring a Factor Identity](#)" on page 7-11 describes how to create an identity.
3. Map the factor-identity pair of the parent to the factor-identity pairs of its children. Use the following process:
  - a. In the Factors page, select the parent factor from the Factors page and then click **Edit**.
  - b. In the Edit Factor page, under Identities, select the parent factor identity and then click **Edit**.
  - c. In the Edit Identity page, click **Create** under Map Identity.

- d. In the Create Identity Map page, select a factor name from the **Contributing Factor** list.

This is the child factor to which you want to map the parent factor.

- e. Select a **Map Condition**.

This setting lets you select an operator to compare the contributing (child) factor values.

- f. Enter a value for the Low Value and High Value (optional) fields.

For example, consider a scenario where the Contributing Factor to the Factor Network is set to Client\_IP, the **Map Condition** is set to *Between*, the **Low Value** is set to 192.0.2.1 and the **High Value** is set to 192.0.2.24. This means that whenever the client IP address lies in the specified address range of 192.0.2.1 to 192.0.2.24, the parent factor evaluates to a predefined identity (for example, INTRANET).

- g. Click **OK** to map the parent factor-identity to the child factor-identity.

You can map different identities of a parent factor to different identities of the contributing factor. For example, the INTRANET identity maps to an IP address range of 192.0.2.1 to 192.0.2.24. The REMOTE identity can map to an IP address range that excludes the address range 192.0.2.1 to 192.0.2.24.

Based on identity mapping, you can create a security policy. For example, you can define a reduced set of privileges for an employee connecting over VPN (with REMOTE), as opposed to an employee connecting from within the corporate network (with INTRANET).

- h. Repeat Step c to Step g to add more contributing factors for a parent factor identity.

For example, you can configure the Network factor to resolve to a value ACCOUNTING-SENSITIVE, when the Program factor resolves to "Oracle General Ledger" and the Client\_IP is in between 192.0.2.1 and 192.0.2.24. So, if an authorized accounting financial application program, running on a client with IP address 192.0.2.12 accesses the database, then the Network factor is resolved to ACCOUNTING-SENSITIVE. A database session with the ACCOUNTING-SENSITIVE Network value would have more access privileges than one with the INTRANET Network value.

## Deleting a Factor

Before you delete a factor, you can locate the various references to the factor and its identities by querying the factor-related Oracle Database Vault views. See "[Oracle Database Vault Data Dictionary Views](#)" on page 11-15 for more information.

To delete a factor:

1. Delete any references to the factor, such as factor identities, and Oracle Label Security policy associations.

You cannot delete a factor that has references.

2. In the Oracle Database Vault Administration page, select **Factors**.
3. In the Factors page, select the factor that you want to remove.
4. Click **Remove**.
5. In the Confirmation page, click **Yes**.

## How Factors Work

The following topics in this section explain how Oracle Database Vault processes factors:

- [How Factors Are Processed When a Session Is Established](#)
- [How Factors Are Retrieved](#)
- [How Factors Are Set](#)

### How Factors Are Processed When a Session Is Established

When a database session is established, the following actions occur:

1. At the start of each database session, Oracle Database Vault begins to evaluate all default and user-created factors in the database instance.

This evaluation occurs after the normal database authentication of the session and the initialization of the Oracle Label Security session information, if applicable.

2. In the factor evaluation stage, the factor initialization process executes the retrieval method for all factors that are identified by methods or constants, to resolve the factor identity for the session.

The factor error options setting has no effect on the factor initialization process.

3. If a factor has a validation method defined, Oracle Database Vault validates the identity (value) of the factor by executing this validation method. If the validation method fails or returns false, the identity of the factor is undefined (NULL).
4. If a factor has any identities defined for it, Oracle Database Vault resolves the trust level of the factor based on the identities defined. If an identity of the factor is defined in this list of defined identities, then Oracle Database Vault assigns the trust level as configured; otherwise it sets it to -1. If there are no identities defined for the factor, the trust level is undefined (NULL).
5. Depending on the outcome of this factor evaluation, factor validation, and trust level resolution, Database Vault audits the details of the evaluation as dictated by the factor audit configuration.
6. When the evaluation of all factors that are identified by method or constant completes, Oracle Database Vault resolves the factors that are identified by other factors by using the identity maps that are defined for the factor configured identities.

The evaluation order of the factor-configured identities is by ASCII sort on the identity values: Oracle Database Vault uses the first alphabetically sorted identity mapping that it evaluates. For example, suppose factor TEST has identities X and Y. Furthermore, identities X and Y have identity maps that are dependent on identities for factors A, B, and C. The following mapping occurs:

- X is mapped when A=1 and B=1
- Y is mapped when A=1, B=1, and C=2

In this case, the first one evaluated is X. Y is not evaluated, but what if its C mapping meets the criteria that is needed for the TEST factor's success? You would need to reverse the mapping, that is, map Y before X so that A, B, and C can be evaluated first. To reverse the mapping, rename Y to V (or some alphabetic value that sorts before X) so that it can be correctly resolved.

This algorithm works if the ASCII sort ordering is correct and the identities map the same number factors at some level.

7. When the factor initialization completes, the Oracle Database Vault integration with Oracle Label Security occurs.

After this process completes, Oracle Database Vault checks to see if a command rule is associated with the `CONNECT` event. If a rule set associated with the `CONNECT` event, then Oracle Database Vault evaluates the rule set. If the rule set evaluates to false or results in an error, then the session is terminated. Oracle Database Vault executes any auditing or call handlers associated with the rule set before the session is terminated.

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**Note:** Be careful about associating command rules with the `CONNECT` event, because you can inadvertently lock out other users from of the database. In general, if you create a command rule for `CONNECT`, set its evaluation option of the associated rule set to `Any True`.

If you do inadvertently lock out users, then you should temporarily disable Oracle Database Vault, disable the `CONNECT` command rule, reenable Oracle Database Vault, and then fix the factor code that is causing the problem. "[If the Test Fails](#)" on page 7-21 provides an example of how to accomplish this.

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## How Factors Are Retrieved

You can retrieve a factor in a database session at any time by using the `DVF` factor function or the `DVSYS.GET_FACTOR` function. To find a listing of available factors, query the `DVS.DBA_DV_FACTOR` data dictionary view, described in "[DBA\\_DV\\_FACTOR View](#)" on page 11-18.

[Example 7-1](#) shows an example of using the `DVSYS.GET_FACTOR` function.

### **Example 7-1 Using DVSYS.GET\_FACTOR to Retrieve a Factor**

```
SELECT GET_FACTOR('client_ip') FROM DUAL;
```

You can use the factor values retrieved from the `DVF` factor function or the `DVSYS.GET_FACTOR` in the following ways:

- Oracle Database Vault rule expressions
- Custom application code that is available to all database sessions in an Oracle Database Vault environment

"[Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Factor Functions](#)" on page 15-6 describes `DVF` factor functions in detail.

If you had set the factor evaluation to **By Session**, then Oracle Database Vault retrieves the value from the session context established, as described under "[How Factors Are Processed When a Session Is Established](#)" on page 7-15.

If you had set the factor evaluation to **By Access**, then Oracle Database Vault performs Step 2 through Step 5 (or Step 6), as described under "[How Factors Are Processed When a Session Is Established](#)" on page 7-15, whenever the factor is retrieved.

If you had defined error options for the factor and if an error occurs, then Oracle Database Vault displays the error message.

## How Factors Are Set

You can have a factor identity assigned at any time during a database session, but only if you have defined a factor assignment rule set and that rule set evaluates to true. You can do this in the application code by using the `DVSYS.SET_FACTOR` function. In Java code, you can use the JDBC class `java.sql.CallableStatement` to set this value. For example:

```
java.sql.Connection connection ;
...
java.sql.CallableStatement statement =
    connection.prepareCall("{call DVSYS.SET_FACTOR('FACTOR_X', ?)}");
statement.setString(1, "MyValue");
boolean result = statement.execute();
...
```

Applications that can execute Oracle PL/SQL functions can use this procedure (for example, applications written using Oracle Data Provider for .NET (ODP.NET)).

This concept is similar to the standard Oracle `DBMS_SESSION.SET_IDENTIFIER` procedure with an added feature that a rule set controls when a factor value can be set. If the rule set evaluates to true, Steps 2 through 5 under "[How Factors Are Processed When a Session Is Established](#)" on page 7-15 occur.

If you have not associated a assignment rule set for the factor or if the rule set returns false (or returns errors), then Oracle Database Vault sends an error message if you attempt to set the factor using the `DVSYS.SET_FACTOR` function.

## Tutorial: Preventing Ad Hoc Tool Access to the Database

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- [Step 6: Remove the Components for This Tutorial](#)

### See Also:

- ["Tutorial: Restricting User Activities Based on Session Data"](#) on page 7-23 for an example of using factor identity mapping
- ["Tutorial: Integrating Oracle Database Vault with Oracle Label Security"](#) on page 9-6 for an example of integrating an Oracle Database Vault factor with an Oracle Label Security label

## About This Tutorial

Many database applications contain features to explicitly control the actions of a user. However, an ad hoc query tool, such as SQL\*Plus, may not have these controls. As a result, a user could use an ad hoc tool to perform actions in the database that he or she would normally be prevented from performing in a regular database application. You

can use a combination of Oracle Database Vault factors, rule sets, and command rules to prevent unauthorized access to the database by ad hoc query tools.

In the following tutorial, you limit the use of SQL\*Plus to only four users: the Database Vault Owner, the Database Vault Account Manager, *SYSTEM*, and *SYS*. To accomplish this, you must create a factor to find the applications on your system and a rule and rule set to limit SQL\*Plus to these four users. Then you create a command rule for the *CONNECT* SQL statement, which is associated with the rule set. When you successfully complete this tutorial, then only the administrative users you specify should be able to connect to the database using SQL\*Plus.

## Step 1: Enable the SCOTT User Account

You must use the *SCOTT* account later on when you test the Oracle Database Vault components for this tutorial, so ensure that this account is active.

1. Log in to SQL\*Plus as a user who has been granted the *DV\_ACCTMGR* role.

For example:

```
sqlplus amalcolm_dvacctmgr
Enter password: password
```

2. Check the status of the *SCOTT* account.

```
SELECT USERNAME, ACCOUNT_STATUS FROM DBA_USERS WHERE USERNAME = 'SCOTT';
```

3. If the *SCOTT* account is expired and locked, then enter the following statement to make it active:

```
ALTER USER SCOTT ACCOUNT UNLOCK IDENTIFIED BY password;
```

Replace *password* with a password that is secure. See *Oracle Database Security Guide* for the minimum requirements for creating passwords.

## Step 2: Create the Module Factor

The Module factor uses the *SYS\_CONTEXT* SQL function to find the names of the applications that are used to access the current instance of Oracle Database. As described previously, the *SYS\_CONTEXT* SQL function provides many useful methods for finding the state of a user session. *SYS\_CONTEXT* is a valuable tool for creating custom factors. See *Oracle Database SQL Language Reference* for more information about the *SYS\_CONTEXT* function.

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**Note:** This type of factor is highly dependent on the security of the client session to ensure that it cannot be faked. See My Oracle Support (formerly Oracle*MetaLink*) Note 281229.1 for more information. You can access My Oracle Support from the following Web site:

<https://support.oracle.com>

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1. Log in to Oracle Database Vault Administrator as a user who has been granted the *DV\_OWNER* or *DV\_ADMIN* role.

"Starting Oracle Database Vault" on page 3-1 explains how to log in.

2. In the Administration page, select **Factors**.

The Factors page appears.

3. Click **Create** to display the Create Factor page.
4. Enter the following information:
  - **Name:** Enter `Module`.
  - **Description:** Enter `Factor to find applications that can access Oracle Database`.
  - **Factor Type:** From the list, select **Application**.
  - **Factor Identification:** Select **By Method**.
  - **Evaluation:** Select **For Session**.
  - **Factor Labeling:** Select **By Self**.
  - **Retrieval Method:** Enter the following retrieval method:
 

```
UPPER(SYS_CONTEXT('USERENV', 'MODULE'))
```
  - **Validation Method:** Leave blank.
  - **Assignment Rule Set:** From the list, select **<Non Selected>**.
  - **Audit Options:** Select **Never**.
  - **Error Options:** Select **Show Error Message**.
5. Click **OK**.

Oracle Database Vault creates the factor. You now can query for the factor using the same syntax you would use to query the default factors, described "[Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Factor Functions](#)" on page 15-6.

6. In SQL\*Plus, perform a quick test of the Module factor.

For example:

```
sqlplus lbrown_dvowner
Enter password: password

SELECT DVF.F$MODULE FROM DUAL;
```

The following output should appear:

```
F$MODULE
-----
SQLPLUS.EXE
```

Do not exit SQL\*Plus. You must use it later on when you test the factor components.

### Step 3: Create the Limit SQL\*Plus Access Rule and Rule Set

1. In Oracle Database Vault Administrator, return to the Administration page.
2. Under Administration, select **Rule Sets**.  
The Rule Sets page appears.
3. Click **Create** to display the Create Rule Set page.
4. Enter the following settings:
  - **Name:** Enter `Limit SQL*Plus Access`.
  - **Description:** Enter `Rule set to limit access to SQL*Plus`.

- **Status:** Select **Enabled**.
- **Evaluation Options:** Select **All True**.
- **Audit Options:** Select **Audit Disabled**.
- **Error Handling Options:** Select **Show Error Message**.
- **Fail Code, Fail Message:** Leave blank.
- **Custom Event Handler Option:** Select **Handler Disabled**.
- **Custom Event Handler Logic:** Leave blank.

5. Click **OK**.

The Rule Sets page appears.

6. Select the Limit SQL\*Plus rule set and then click **Edit**.

The Edit Rule Set page appears.

7. Under Rules Associated To The Rule Set, click **Create**.

The Create Rule page appears.

8. Enter the following settings:

- **Name:** Enter `Prevent non-admin access to SQL*Plus`.
- **Rule Expression:** Enter the following rule expression:

```
DVF.F$MODULE != 'SQL*PLUS' AND DVF.F$SESSION_USER IN ('LBROWN_DVOWNER',  
'AMALCOLM_DVACCTMGR', 'SYS', 'SYSTEM')
```

Replace `LBROWN_DVOWNER` and `AMALCOLM_DVACCTMGR` with the user account names that you use for the Database Vault Owner and Database Vault Account Manager accounts. You *must* enter the user account names in upper case letters, because that is how the database stores user account names.

This expression tells Oracle Database Vault only to allow these four users to use SQL\*Plus. Another way to write the expression is to tell Database Vault to simply exclude certain users from using SQL\*Plus. That way, everyone else has access to SQL\*Plus. For example, to exclude users `JSMITH` and `TSMITH` from using SQL\*Plus, you would create this expression:

```
DVF.F$MODULE != 'SQL*PLUS' AND DVF.F$SESSION_USER NOT IN ('JSMITH',  
'TSMITH')
```

However, for this tutorial, use the first expression, in which only the four administrative users are allowed to use SQL\*Plus.

9. Ensure that you have entered this rule expression *exactly* as shown in Step 8. If you enter it incorrectly, you cannot log in to SQL\*Plus.

10. Click **OK**.

## Step 4: Create the CONNECT Command Rule

The `CONNECT` command rule controls the `CONNECT SQL` statement. It also applies to logging into SQL\*Plus from the command line or other tools your site may use to access SQL\*Plus.

1. In Oracle Database Vault, return to the Administration page.
2. Select **Command Rules**.



The Command Rules page appears.

3. Click **Create** to display the Create Command Rule page.
4. Enter the following settings:
  - **Command:** Select **CONNECT** from the list.
  - **Status:** Select **Enabled**.
  - **Object Owner, Object Name:** Set to **%** so that the command rule applies to anyone who logs in.
  - **Rule Set:** Select **Limit SQL\*Plus Access** from the list.
5. Click **OK**.

## Step 5: Test the Ad Hoc Tool Access Restriction

You have been logged in to SQL\*Plus all along, but note that you do not need to restart your SQL\*Plus session in order for the Oracle Database Vault changes to take effect. They take effect right away.

1. In SQL\*Plus, try to connect as user `SCOTT`:

```
CONNECT SCOTT
Enter password: password
```

The following output should appear:

```
ERROR:
ORA-47400: Command Rule violation for CONNECT on LOGON
```

Warning: You are no longer connected to ORACLE.

User `SCOTT` should be prevented from using SQL\*Plus.

2. Now try to connect as user `SYSTEM`:

```
CONNECT SYSTEM
Enter password: password
Connected.
```

User `SYSTEM` should be able to log in to SQL\*Plus. So should `SYS`, the Database Vault Owner account, and the Database Vault Account Manager account.

### If the Test Fails

If you cannot log in to SQL\*Plus as `SYSTEM` (or as any of the other administrative users listed in your rule expression), then you are prevented from using both SQL\*Plus and Oracle Database Vault Administrator. But do not fear, you can remedy the problem as follows:

1. Temporarily disable Oracle Database Vault.
 

See [Appendix B, "Disabling and Enabling Oracle Database Vault,"](#) for instructions on disabling Oracle Database Vault. After you disable Oracle Database Vault, you can log in to SQL\*Plus.
2. Log in to SQL\*Plus as a user who has been granted the `DV_OWNER` or `DV_ADMIN` role.

For example:

```
CONNECT lbrown_dvowner
Enter password: password
```

3. Enter the following statement to drop the CONNECT command rule.

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_COMMAND_RULE ('CONNECT', '%', '%');
```

Even though you have disabled Oracle Database Vault, you still can use its PL/SQL Packages and Database Vault Administrator.

4. Exit SQL\*Plus.
5. Reenable Oracle Database Vault.  
See [Appendix B, "Disabling and Enabling Oracle Database Vault,"](#) for instructions on enabling Oracle Database Vault.
6. In Oracle Database Vault Administrator, check the rule expression for any errors and then correct them. Recreate the CONNECT command rule, and then test it.

## Step 6: Remove the Components for This Tutorial

1. In Database Vault Administrator, return to the Administrator page.
2. Select **Command Rules**.
3. In the Command Rules page, select the CONNECT command rule, and then click **Remove**. Select **Yes** in the Confirmation page.
4. In the Administrator page, select **Rule Sets**.
5. In the Rule Sets page, select the Limit SQL\*Plus Access rule set and click **Remove**. Select **Yes** in the Confirmation page.
6. In the Administration page, select **Factors**.
7. In the Factors page, select the Module factor, and then click **Remove**. Select **Yes** in the Confirmation page.
8. As the Database Vault Owner, log in to SQL\*Plus and then remove the Prevent Non-admin access to SQL\*Plus rule.

For example:

```
CONNECT lbrown_dvowner  
Enter password: password
```

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_RULE('Prevent non-admin access to SQL*Plus');
```

9. If necessary, connect as the Oracle Database Vault Account Manager and then lock and expire the SCOTT account.

For example:

```
CONNECT amalcolm_dvacctmgr  
Enter password: password
```

```
ALTER USER SCOTT ACCOUNT LOCK PASSWORD EXPIRE;
```

## Tutorial: Restricting User Activities Based on Session Data

This section contains:

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- [Step 2: Add Identities to the Domain Factor](#)
- [Step 3: Map the Domain Factor Identities to the Client\\_IP Factor](#)
- [Step 4: Create a Rule Set to Set the Hours and Select the Factor Identity](#)
- [Step 5: Create a Command Rule That Uses the Rule Set](#)
- [Step 6: Test the Factor Identity Settings](#)
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### About This Tutorial

You can use factor identity mapping to set session-based user restrictions for database activities. For example, suppose you wanted to restrict administrative access to a database using the following criteria:

- Ensure that the administrator is accessing the database from the correct IP address.
- Limit the database access to the standard business hours of the administrator.

This type of configuration is useful for restricting different types of administrators: not only local, internal administrators, but offshore and contract administrators as well.

In this tutorial, you modify the Domain factor to include identities for a secure and non-secure network access, which are based on the IP address of the computer the administrator is using. If the administrator tries to perform an action outside the standard working hours or from a different IP address, then Oracle Database Vault prevents him from doing so.

### Step 1: Create an Administrative User

1. In SQL\*Plus, log in as a user who has been granted the DV\_ACCTMGR role, and then create the user account `mwaldron`.

For example:

```
sqlplus amalcolm_dvacctmgr
Enter password: password
```

```
CREATE USER mwaldron IDENTIFIED BY password;
```

Replace `password` with a password that is secure. See *Oracle Database Security Guide* for the minimum requirements for creating passwords.

2. Connect as SYS using the SYSDBA privilege, and then grant user `mwaldron` DBA privileges.

```
CONNECT SYS/AS SYSDBA
Enter password: password
```

```
GRANT CREATE SESSION, DBA TO mwaldron;
```

## Step 2: Add Identities to the Domain Factor

1. Log in to Oracle Database Vault Administrator as a user who has been granted the DV\_OWNER or DV\_ADMIN role.  
["Starting Oracle Database Vault"](#) on page 3-1 explains how to log in.
2. In the Administration page, select **Factors**.  
 The Factors page appears.
3. Select the Domain factor and then select **Edit**.  
 The Domain factor is the parent factor.
4. Under Identities, select **Create**.
5. In the Create Identity page, enter the following information:
  - **Value:** Enter HIGHLY SECURE INTERNAL NETWORK
  - **Trust Level:** Select **Very Trusted**
6. Click **OK**.
7. In the Edit Factor:Domain page, create a second identity called NOT SECURE, and then set its trust level to Untrusted.

## Step 3: Map the Domain Factor Identities to the Client\_IP Factor

1. In Oracle Database Vault Administrator, in the Edit Factor: Domain page, select the HIGHLY SECURE INTERNAL NETWORK identity and then select **Edit**.
2. Under Map Identity, select **Create**.
3. In the Create Identity Map page, enter the following information:
  - **Contributing Factor:** Select **Client\_IP** to be the child factor.
  - **Map Condition:** Select **Equal**, and then in the **Low Value** box, enter the IP address for the Virtual Machine (for example, 192.0.2.12). (This is the computer that user mwaldron uses. For this tutorial, you can enter the IP address of your own computer. If you are using Microsoft Windows, use the IP address assigned to the Loopback Adapter.)
4. Click **OK**, and then click **OK** again to return to the Edit Factor: Domain page.
5. Create the following two identity maps for the NOT SECURE identity:

Child Factor Name	Operation Value	Operand 1	Operand 2
Client_IP	Less	192.0.2.5	(Leave blank)
Client_IP	Greater	192.0.2.20	(Leave blank)

The identity maps in the NOT SECURE identity are in a range of IP addresses outside the IP address that user mwaldron uses (192.0.2.12). The IP addresses here must be in any range *outside* mwaldron's IP address.

This identity mapping creates the following condition: If the user logs in from the correct IP address, then Oracle Database Vault decides that the connection is secure, through the HIGHLY SECURE INTERNAL NETWORK identity. However, if the user logs in from an IP address that is less than 192.0.2.5 or greater than 192.0.2.20, then the connection is deemed not secure, through the NO SECURE identity.

6. Click **OK** to return to the Edit Factor: Domain page, then click **OK** again to return to the Factors page.
7. Test the factor identities.

First, in SQL\*Plus, connect as user `mwaldron` but do not specify a database instance.

```
CONNECT mwaldron
Enter password: password

SELECT DVF.F$CLIENT_IP FROM DUAL;
```

The following output should appear:

```
F$CLIENT_IP
-----
```

Next:

```
SELECT DVF.F$DOMAIN FROM DUAL;
```

The following output should appear:

```
F$DOMAIN
-----
NOT SECURE
```

Because user `mwaldron` is not connecting directly to the database instance, Oracle Database Vault does not recognize the IP address from which he is connecting. In this case, Oracle Database uses the IPC protocol to perform the connection, which sets the IP value to null. Therefore, the identity for this connection is set to `NOT SECURE`.

Now connect to SQL\*Plus by specifying the database instance (for example, `orcl`), and then check the factor identities again:

```
CONNECT mwaldron@orcl
Enter password: password

SELECT DVF.F$CLIENT_IP FROM DUAL;
```

The following output should appear:

```
F$CLIENT_IP
-----
192.0.2.12
```

Next:

```
SELECT DVF.F$DOMAIN FROM DUAL;
```

The following output should appear:

```
F$DOMAIN
-----
HIGHLY SECURE INTERNAL NETWORK
```

Now that user `mwaldron` is connecting to the `orcl` database instance, his IP address is recognized. This is because the database uses the TCP protocol, so now the host IP value can be populated appropriately. Because the IP address is within the correct range, the factor identity is set to `HIGHLY SECURE INTERNAL NETWORK`.

## Step 4: Create a Rule Set to Set the Hours and Select the Factor Identity

1. In Oracle Database Vault, return to the Administration page.
2. Select **Rule Sets**.
3. In the Rule Sets page, select **Create**.
4. In the Create Rule Set page, enter the following settings:
  - **Name:** Enter `Internal DBA Standard Working Hours`.
  - **Status:** Select **Enabled**.
  - **Evaluation Options:** Select **All True**.Leave the remaining settings at their defaults.
5. Click **OK**.
6. In the Rule Sets page, select the `Internal DBA Standard Working Hours` rule set, and then select **Edit**.
7. In the Edit Rule Set: `Internal DBA Standard Working Hours` page, under **Rules Associated To The Rule Set**, select **Create**.
8. In the Create Rule page, create the following rules:
  - **Name:** `Internal DBA`  
**Rule Expression:** `DVF.F$SESSION_USER='MWALDRON'`  
(When you create an expression with a user name, enter the user name in upper case letters, because that is how the database stores user names.)
  - **Name:** `Internal Network Only`  
**Rule Expression:** `DVF.F$DOMAIN='HIGHLY SECURE INTERNAL NETWORK'`
  - **Name:** `Week Day`  
**Rule Expression:** `TO_CHAR(SYSDATE, 'D') BETWEEN '2' AND '6'`
  - **Name:** `Week Working Day Hours`  
**Rule Expression:** `TO_CHAR(SYSDATE, 'HH24') BETWEEN '08' AND '19'`
9. Click **OK** to return to the Rule Sets page.

## Step 5: Create a Command Rule That Uses the Rule Set

1. In Oracle Database Vault Administrator, return to the Administration page.
2. Select **Command Rules**, and in the Command Rules page, select **Create**.
3. In the Create Command Rule page, enter the following settings:
  - **Command:** Select **CREATE TABLE** from the list.
  - **Rule Set:** Select **Internal DBA Standard Working Hours** from the list.Leave the remaining settings at their defaults.
4. Click **OK**.

## Step 6: Test the Factor Identity Settings

Test the settings by resetting the system clock, logging in as the `mwaldron` administrative user, and then trying to create a table.

1. Set the system time to 9 p.m.

**UNIX:** Log in as root and use the date command to set the time. For example, assuming the date today is December 13, 2007, you would enter the following:

```
su root
Password: password

date 12132109
```

**Windows:** Double-click the clock icon, which is typically at the lower right corner of the screen. In the Date and Time Properties window, set the time to 9 p.m., and then click **OK**.

2. In SQL\*Plus, connect as user mwaldron and try to create a table. In the following, replace orcl with the name of your database instance.

```
CONNECT mwaldron@orcl
Enter password: password

CREATE TABLE TEST (num number);
```

The following output should appear:

```
ORA-47400: Command Rule violation for create table on MWALDRON.TEST
```

Because user mwaldron is create a table outside working hours, Database Vault prevents him.

3. Reset the system time back to the local time.
4. In SQL\*Plus, as user mwaldron, try to create the table again.

```
CREATE TABLE TEST (num number);

Table created.

DROP TABLE TEST;
Table dropped.
```

Now that user maldron is working during his local hours and from the IP address associated with the HIGHLY SECURE INTERNAL NETWORK identity, he can create tables.

5. Reconnect as user mwaldron but without adding the database instance name to the connection command, and then try to select from the OE.ORDERS table again.

```
CONNECT mwaldron
Enter password: password

CREATE TABLE TEST (num number);
```

The following output should appear:

```
ORA-47400: Command Rule violation for create table on MWALDRON.TEST
```

Even though user mwaldron is trying to create a table during the correct time, he cannot because is not directly logged in to the orcl database instance. Oracle Database Vault deems him to be using the NOT SECURE identity, and then denies him access.

## Step 7: Remove the Components for This Tutorial

1. Log in to SQL\*Plus as the DV\_ACCTMGR user and drop user mwaldron.

```
sqlplus amalcolm_dvacctmgr
Enter password: password
```

```
DROP USER mwaldron CASCADE;
```

2. Remove the CREATE TABLE command rule.

Return the Administration page and select **Command Rules**. Select the CREATE TABLE command rule and then select **Remove**. In the Confirmation page, select **Yes**.

3. Remove the Internal DBA Standard Working Hours rule set.

In Oracle Database Vault Administrator, select **Rule Sets** in the Administration page. In the Rule Sets page, select the Internal DBA Standard Working Hours rule set, and then select **Remove**. In the Confirmation page, select **Yes**.

4. In SQL\*Plus, delete the rules associated with the Internal DBA Standard Working Hours rule set.

```
CONNECT lbrown_dvowner
Enter password: password
```

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_RULE('Internal DBA');
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_RULE('Internal Network Only');
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_RULE('Week Day');
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_RULE('Week Day Working Hours');
COMMIT;
```

5. Remove the HIGHLY SECURE INTERNAL NETWORK and NOT SECURE factor identities from the Domain factor.

Return to the Administration page and select **Factors**. Select the Domain factor, select **Edit**, and under Identities, remove the HIGHLY SECURE INTERNAL NETWORK and NOT SECURE factor identities. In the Confirmation page, select **Yes**.

## Guidelines for Designing Factors

Follow these guidelines for designing factors:

- You can use the Oracle utility packages such as UTL\_TCP, UTL\_HTTP, DBMS\_LDAP, and DBMS\_PIPE to integrate security or other contextual information about the session from external systems.
- Do not specify a retrieval method if the factor identification is set to **Identified By Factors**. Retrieval methods are only needed if you set the factor to **By Method** or **By Constant**.
- Consider using a validation method if a factor has an assignment rule set. Doing so helps to verify that invalid identities are not submitted.
- Use the client-supplied factors such as Program, OS User, and others with caution, because the values that are supplied can only be trusted when the client software is trusted and the communications channel from the client software is known to be secure.



- Only specify an evaluation option of **By Access** if the value returned by the retrieval method could change from one invocation to the next in the same session (for example, time-based factors).
- Optimize the internal logic of a function used for the factor retrieval method using traditional SQL and PL/SQL optimization techniques. For more information about performance and optimization, see *Oracle Database Performance Tuning Guide*.
- If the discrete values returned by the retrieval method are known, be sure to define identities for each value so that you can assign trust levels for them. Trust levels add value to factors as you also can use the trust level in application logic based on factors.
- A security policy based on more factors is generally considered stronger than one based on fewer factors. You can create a new factor that is identified by other factors to store combinations of factors into logical grouping using identity maps. This also makes it easier to label the parent factor when you integrate the factors with the Oracle Label Security labels. (See ["Integrating Oracle Database Vault with Oracle Label Security"](#) on page 9-3 for more information.)
- It is generally easier to configure and debug a factor that is labeled **By Self** than one labeled **By Factors** when integrating the Oracle Label Security.
- You can design a database client application to pass one or more security, end-user, or environmental attributes so that they are available to an associated database session. To do this, create a single factor for each attribute and then use an assignment rule set to control when these attributes can be assigned (for example only when using a specific Web application on specified named application server computers). Oracle Database Vault factors used in this fashion are very much like the Oracle procedure `DBMS_SESSION.SET_IDENTIFIER` but also include a capability to control when they can be set. For more information about the `DBMS_SESSION` package, see *Oracle Database PL/SQL Packages and Types Reference*.

## How Factors Affect Performance

Each factor has elements that are processed, such as its validation method, trust level, and so on. For factors that are evaluated by the session, such as `Database_Hostname` and `Proxy_User`, Oracle Database Vault performs this processing during session initialization, and then caches the results for subsequent requests for that value.

The 17 default factors listed in ["Default Factors"](#) on page 7-2 are cached because they are likely candidates for a typical security policy. However, if you only use five factors (for example, in rule sets or other components), then the other factors consume resources that could otherwise be used elsewhere. In this case, you should remove the unnecessary factors by deleting them. (Oracle Database Vault does not use any of these factors internally, so you can remove them if you do not need them.)

If you have a large number of users or if your application server frequently must create and destroy connections, the resources used can affect system performance. You can delete the unnecessary factors.

You can check system performance by running tools such as Oracle Enterprise Manager (including Oracle Enterprise Manager Database Control, which is installed by default with Oracle Database), `Statspack`, and `TKPROF`. For more information about Oracle Enterprise Manager, see the Oracle Enterprise Manager documentation set. For information about Database Control, refer to its online Help. *Oracle Database Performance Tuning Guide* describes the `Statspack` and `TKPROF` utilities.

## Related Reports and Data Dictionary Views

Table 7–1 lists Oracle Database Vault reports that are useful for analyzing factors and their identities. See Chapter 17, "Oracle Database Vault Reports," for information about how to run these reports.

**Table 7–1 Reports Related to Factors and Their Identities**

Report	Description
"Factor Audit Report" on page 17-4	Audits factors (for example, to find factors that failed to be evaluated)
"Factor Configuration Issues Report" on page 17-3	Lists configuration issues, such as disabled or incomplete rule sets, or to audit issues that may affect the factor
"Factor Without Identities Report" on page 17-3	Lists factors that have had no identities assigned yet
"Identity Configuration Issues Report" on page 17-3	Lists factors that have invalid label identities or no map for the identity
"Rule Set Configuration Issues Report" on page 17-4	Lists rule sets that have no rules defined or enabled, which may affect the factors that use them

Table 7–2 lists data dictionary views that provide information about existing factors and factor identities.

**Table 7–2 Data Dictionary Views Used for Factors and Factor Identities**

Data Dictionary View	Description
"DBA_DV_FACTOR View" on page 11-18	Lists the existing factors in the current database instance
"DBA_DV_FACTOR_LINK View" on page 11-20	Shows the relationships of each factor whose identity is determined by the association of child factors
"DBA_DV_FACTOR_TYPE View" on page 11-21	Lists the names and descriptions of factor types used in the system
"DBA_DV_IDENTITY View" on page 11-21	Lists the identities for each factor
"DBA_DV_IDENTITY_MAP View" on page 11-22	Lists the mappings for each factor identity

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# Configuring Secure Application Roles for Oracle Database Vault

This chapter contains:

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- [Securing a Secure Application Role](#)
- [Deleting a Secure Application Role](#)
- [How Secure Application Roles Work](#)
- [Tutorial: Granting Access with Database Vault Secure Application Roles](#)
- [How Secure Application Roles Affect Performance](#)
- [Related Reports and Data Dictionary View](#)

## What Are Secure Application Roles in Oracle Database Vault?

In Oracle Database Vault, you can create a secure application role that you enable with an Oracle Database Vault rule set. Regular Oracle Database secure application roles are enabled by custom PL/SQL procedures. You use secure application roles to prevent users from accessing data from outside an application. This forces users to work within the framework of the application privileges that have been granted to the role.

The advantage of basing database access for a role on a rule set is that you can store database security policies in one central place, as opposed to storing them in all your applications. Basing the role on a rule set provides a consistent and flexible method to enforce the security policies that the role provides. In this way, if you must update the security policy for the application role, you do it in one place, the rule set. Furthermore, no matter how the user connects to the database, the result is the same, because the rule set is bound to the role. All you need to do is to create the role and then associate it with a rule set. The associated rule set validates the user who is trying to enable the role.

You can run reports on secure application roles that you create in Oracle Database Vault. See "[Related Reports and Data Dictionary View](#)" on page 8-9 for more information.

This chapter explains how to configure secure application roles by using Oracle Database Vault Administrator. To configure secure application roles by using the PL/SQL interfaces and packages provided by Oracle Database Vault, refer to the following chapters:

- [Chapter 12, "Using the DVSYS.DBMS\\_MACADM Package"](#)
- [Chapter 15, "Using the Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Interfaces"](#)

## Creating and Editing Secure Application Roles

Follow these steps:

1. Create a rule set that contains at least one rule to set the conditions for allowing or disallowing the user to enable the role.

When you create the underlying rule for the rule set, remember that the rule should validate the user who is trying to enable the role. The rule should validate the user who is trying to log in. See [Chapter 5, "Configuring Rule Sets,"](#) for more information about rule sets.

2. Log in to Oracle Database Vault Administrator as a user who has been granted the DV\_OWNER or DV\_ADMIN role.

["Starting Oracle Database Vault"](#) on page 3-1 explains how to log in.

3. In the Administration page, under Database Vault Feature Administration, click **Secure Application Roles**.

4. In the Secure Application Roles page:

- To create a new secure application role, click **Create**.
- To edit an existing secure application role, select it from the list and then click **Edit**.

Remember that you can modify an existing secure application role only if it has been created in Oracle Database Vault. You cannot modify secure application roles or database roles that have been created outside of Oracle Database Vault. If you want to modify an existing Oracle Database role so that it can work with Oracle Database Vault, create a new secure application role in Oracle Database Vault and then grant the existing role to the secure application role. For example, in SQL\*Plus:

```
GRANT myExistingDBrole TO myDVrole;
```

After you create a new secure application role, you must modify your code to use this new role. You can use DVSYS.DBMS\_MACSEC\_ROLES.SET\_ROLE in your application code to accomplish this. See ["SET\\_ROLE Procedure"](#) on page 13-2 for more information about the SET\_ROLE function.

5. In the Create (or Edit) Role page, enter the following settings and then click **OK**.

- [General](#)
- [Rule Set](#)

### General

Enter the following settings:

- **Role:** Enter the name using no more than 30 characters, with no spaces. Preferably, enter the role name in upper case letters, though you are not required to do so. Ensure that this name follows the standard Oracle naming conventions for role creation using the CREATE ROLE statement, described in *Oracle Database SQL Language Reference*. This attribute is mandatory.

- **Status:** Select either **Enabled** or **Disabled** to enable or disable the secure application role during run time. The default is **Enabled**. This attribute is mandatory.
  - **Enabled:** Enables the role to be available for use. That is, users are allowed to call the `DVSYS.DBMS_MACSEC_ROLES.SET_ROLE` function to try to enable the role. Note that whether or not the role will be enabled depends on the evaluation result of the associated rule set.  
See "[SET\\_ROLE Procedure](#)" on page 13-2 for more information about this function.
  - **Disabled:** Disables the role from being available for use. The `DVSYS.DBMS_MACSEC_ROLES.SET_ROLE` function will not be able to enable the role.  
See "[Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Packages](#)" on page 15-17 for more information about the `DVSYS.DBMS_MACSEC_ROLES.SET_ROLE` function.

### Rule Set

From the list, select the rule set that you want to associate with the secure application role. This attribute is mandatory.

When calling `DVSYS.DBMS_MACSEC_ROLES.SET_ROLE`, if the rule set evaluates to true, then Oracle Database Vault sets the role for the database session. If the rule set evaluates to false, then the role is not set.

See [Chapter 5, "Configuring Rule Sets,"](#) for more information about rule sets.

**See Also:** "[Propagating Oracle Database Vault Policies to Other Databases](#)" on page 10-2

## Securing a Secure Application Role

Users who have database administrative privileges may try to use the `DROP ROLE SQL` statement to delete secure application roles that were created using Oracle Database Vault.

Whenever an Oracle Database Vault secure application role has been created, Database Vault adds the secure application role to the Database Vault realm. This prevents the database administrator from deleting the secure application role.

## Deleting a Secure Application Role

Before you delete a secure application role, you can locate the various references to it by querying the role-related Oracle Database Vault views. See "[Oracle Database Vault Data Dictionary Views](#)" on page 11-15 for more information.

To delete a secure application role:

1. Check and modify any applications that may be using the secure application role that you want to delete.
2. In the Oracle Database Vault Administration page, select **Secure Application Roles**.
3. In the Secure Application Roles page, select the role that you want to remove.
4. Click **Remove**.
5. In the Confirmation page, click **Yes**.

## How Secure Application Roles Work

The process flow for a secure application role that is managed by Oracle Database Vault is as follows:

1. Create or update the role either in Oracle Database Vault Administrator or by using the secure application role-specific functions in the `DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM` package.

See "[Secure Application Role Procedures Within DVSYS.DBMS\\_MACADM](#)" on page 12-46 for more information.

2. Modify your application to call the role, by using the `DVSYS.DBMS_MACSEC_ROLES.SET_ROLE` function.

See "[SET\\_ROLE Procedure](#)" on page 13-2 for more information.

3. Oracle Database Vault then evaluates the rule set associated with the secure application role.

If the rule set evaluates to true, then Oracle Database Vault enables the role for the current session. If the rule set evaluates to false, the role is not enabled. In either case, Oracle Database Vault processes the associated auditing and custom event handlers for the rule set associated with the secure application role.

## Tutorial: Granting Access with Database Vault Secure Application Roles

This section contains:

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- [Step 2: Enable the OE User Account](#)
- [Step 3: Create the Rule Set and Its Rules](#)
- [Step 4: Create the Database Vault Secure Application Role](#)
- [Step 5: Grant the SELECT Privilege to the Secure Application Role](#)
- [Step 6: Test the Database Vault Secure Application Role](#)
- [Step 7: Remove the Components for This Tutorial](#)

### About This Tutorial

In this tutorial, you restrict the `SELECT SQL` statement on the `ORDERS` table in the `OE` schema to a specific set of users. Furthermore, these users can only perform these statements on the `OE.ORDERS` table from within the office, not from a remote connection. To accomplish this, you create an Oracle Database Vault secure application role that is enabled for the user only if the user passes the checks enforced by the rule set that you associate with the secure application role.

### Step 1: Create Users for This Tutorial

1. Log in to SQL\*Plus as a user who has been granted the `DV_ACCTMGR` role.

For example:

```
sqlplus amalcolm_dvacctmgr
Enter password: password
```

2. Create the following user accounts:

```
CREATE USER eabel IDENTIFIED BY password;
CREATE USER ahutton IDENTIFIED BY password;
CREATE USER ldoran IDENTIFIED BY password;
```

Replace *password* with a password that is secure. See *Oracle Database Security Guide* for the minimum requirements for creating passwords.

3. Connect as SYS using the SYSDBA privilege, and then grant these users the CREATE SESSION privilege.

```
CONNECT SYS/AS SYSDBA
Enter password: password
```

```
GRANT CREATE SESSION TO eabel, ahutton, ldoran;
```

## Step 2: Enable the OE User Account

1. In SQL\*Plus, connect as the DV\_ACCTMGR user.

For example:

```
CONNECT amalcolm_dvacctmgr
Enter password: password
```

2. Check the account status of the OE account.

```
SELECT USERNAME, ACCOUNT_STATUS FROM DBA_USERS WHERE USERNAME = 'OE';
```

3. If the OE account is locked and expired, unlock it and assign it a new password.

```
ALTER USER OE ACCOUNT UNLOCK IDENTIFIED BY password;
```

## Step 3: Create the Rule Set and Its Rules

1. Log in to Oracle Database Vault Administrator as a user who has been granted the DV\_OWNER or DV\_ADMIN role.

["Starting Oracle Database Vault"](#) on page 3-1 explains how to log in.

2. In the Administration page, select **Rule Sets**.

The Rule Sets page appears.

3. Click **Create**.

The Create Rule Set page appears.

4. Enter the following information:

- **Name:** Can Modify Orders
- **Description:** Rule set to control who can modify orders in the OE.ORDERS table

5. Leave the remaining settings and their defaults, and then click **OK**.

6. In the Rule Sets page, select the Can Modify Orders rule set, and then click **Edit**.

The Edit Rule Set: Can Modify Orders page appears.

7. Scroll to the bottom of the page and under Rules Associated To The Rule Set, click **Create**.

8. Create the following two rules:

Rule Name	Rule Expression
Check IP Address	DVF.F\$CLIENT_IP = '192.0.2.12'
Check Session User	DVF.F\$SESSION_USER IN ('EABEL', 'AHUTTON')

For the Check IP Address rule, replace 123.45.67.89 with the IP address for your own computer. In a real-world scenario, you would create an expression that includes all the IP addresses for the users who should be allowed access.

Both of these rules use the default factors Client\_IP and Session\_User. See ["Default Factors"](#) on page 7-2 for more information about these factors. If these factors have been removed or modified, you can use the following rule expressions instead:

- **Check IP Address:** UPPER(SYS\_CONTEXT('USERENV', 'IP\_ADDRESS')) = '192.0.2.12'
  - **Check Session User:** UPPER(SYS\_CONTEXT('USERENV', 'SESSION\_USER')) IN ('EABEL', 'AHUTTON')
9. Ensure that the **Status** setting for the Can Modify Orders table is set to **Enabled** and **Evaluation Options** is set to **All True**.
  10. Click **OK**.

#### Step 4: Create the Database Vault Secure Application Role

1. In Oracle Database Vault, return to the Administration page.
2. Under Administration, select **Secure Application Roles**.  
The Secure Application Roles page appears.
3. Click **Create**.  
The Create Role page appears.
4. In the **Role** box, enter ORDERS\_MGMT to name the role.
5. Under Rule Set, select **Can Modify Orders**.
6. Click **OK**.

At this stage, the Database Vault secure application role and its associated rule set are created, though the role does not yet have any privileges.

#### Step 5: Grant the SELECT Privilege to the Secure Application Role

1. In SQL\*Plus, connect as user OE.  

```
CONNECT OE
Enter password: password
```
2. Grant the SELECT privilege to the ORDERS\_MGMT Database Vault Secure application role.  

```
GRANT SELECT ON ORDERS TO ORDERS_MGMT;
```

#### Step 6: Test the Database Vault Secure Application Role

1. In SQL\*Plus, connect directly to the database as user eabel.  

```
CONNECT eabel@orcl
Enter password: password
```



Replace `orcl` with the name of your database instance.

2. Set the `ORDERS_MGMT` role.

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACSEC_ROLES.SET_ROLE('ORDERS_MGMT');
```

Typically, you would embed this call in the application that the user logs in to.

3. Select from the `OE.ORDERS` table.

```
SELECT COUNT(*) FROM OE.ORDERS;
```

The following output should appear:

```

COUNT(*)
-----
          105
```

Because user `eabel` is logging directly into the database from the correct IP address and is listed as a valid session user, she can select from the `OE.ORDERS` table. If user `ahutton` logs in to SQL\*Plus in the same manner, she also can select from the `OE.ORDERS` table.

4. Reconnect as user `eabel` without specifying the database instance, and then try to select from the `OE.ORDERS` table again.

```

CONNECT eabel
Enter password: password

EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACSEC_ROLES.SET_ROLE('ORDERS_MGMT');
```

The following output should appear:

```

Error at line 1:
ORA-47305: Rule Set Violation on SET ROLE (Can Modfiy Orders)
...
```

Next:

```
SELECT COUNT(*) FROM OE.ORDERS;
```

The following output should appear:

```

ERROR at line 1:
ORA-00942: table or view does not exist
```

Even though user `eabel` is a valid user, she has violated the Check IP Address rule in the rule set, so she is not granted the `ORDERS_MGMT` role. The only way for the IP address to be recognized is to connect by specifying the database instance, as user `eabel` did in Step 1. (For an explanation about how this works, see Step 7 in "[Step 3: Map the Domain Factor Identities to the Client\\_IP Factor](#)" on page 7-24, in [Chapter 7](#).)

5. Connect as user `ldoran` and then enter the following statements:

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACSEC_ROLES.SET_ROLE('ORDERS_MGMT');
SELECT COUNT(*) FROM OE.ORDERS;
```

Because user `ldoran` is not a valid user, she is not granted the `ORDERS_MGMT` role. Therefore, she cannot select from the `OE.ORDERS` table.

## Step 7: Remove the Components for This Tutorial

1. Log into SQL\*Plus as the DV\_OWNER or DV\_ADMIN user.

For example:

```
CONNECT lbrown_dvowner  
Enter password: password
```

2. Delete the ORDERS\_MGMT secure application role.

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_ROLE('ORDERS_MGMT');
```

3. Enter the following commands in the order shown to remove the Can Modify Orders rule set.

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_RULE_FROM_RULE_SET('Can Modify Orders', 'Check IP  
Address');  
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_RULE_FROM_RULE_SET('Can Modify Orders', 'Check  
Session User');  
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_RULE('Check IP Address');  
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_RULE('Check Session User');  
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_RULE_SET('Can Modify Orders');  
COMMIT;
```

4. Connect as the Database Vault Account Manager and drop the users.

For example:

```
CONNECT amalcolm_dvacctmgr  
Enter password: password
```

```
DROP USER eabel;  
DROP USER ahutton;  
DROP USER ldoran;
```

5. If unnecessary, lock and expire the OE user account.

```
ALTER USER OE ACCOUNT LOCK PASSWORD EXPIRE;
```

## How Secure Application Roles Affect Performance

You can check system performance by running tools such as Oracle Enterprise Manager (including Oracle Enterprise Manager Database Control, which is installed by default with Oracle Database), Statspack, and TKPROF. For more information about Oracle Enterprise Manager, see the Oracle Enterprise Manager documentation set. For information about Database Control, refer to its online Help. *Oracle Database Performance Tuning Guide* describes the Statspack and TKPROF utilities.

## Related Reports and Data Dictionary View

Table 8–1 lists Oracle Database Vault reports that are useful for analyzing Oracle Database Vault secure application roles. See [Chapter 17, "Oracle Database Vault Reports,"](#) for information about how to run these reports.

**Table 8–1 Reports Related to Secure Application Roles**

Report	Description
" <a href="#">Secure Application Role Audit Report</a> " on page 17-5	Lists audit records generated by the Oracle Database Vault secure application role-enabling operation.  To generate this type of audit record, enable auditing for the rule set associated with the role.
" <a href="#">Secure Application Configuration Issues Report</a> " on page 17-4	Lists secure application roles that have nonexistent database roles, or incomplete or disabled rule sets
" <a href="#">Rule Set Configuration Issues Report</a> " on page 17-4	Lists rule sets that have no rules defined or enabled, which may affect the secure application roles that use them
" <a href="#">Powerful Database Accounts and Roles Reports</a> " on page 17-9	Provides information about powerful database accounts and roles

You can use the `DBA_DV_ROLE` data dictionary view to find the Oracle Database Vault secure application roles used in privilege management. See "[DBA\\_DV\\_ROLE View](#)" on page 11-26 for more information.



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# Integrating Oracle Database Vault with Other Oracle Products

This chapter contains:

- [Integrating Oracle Database Vault with Enterprise User Security](#)
- [Integrating Oracle Database Vault with Transparent Data Encryption](#)
- [Attaching Factors to an Oracle Virtual Private Database](#)
- [Integrating Oracle Database Vault with Oracle Label Security](#)

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**Note:** If you plan to use Oracle Data Guard with Oracle Database Vault, see My Oracle Support Note 754065.1. You can access My Oracle Support from the following Web site:

<https://support.oracle.com>

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## Integrating Oracle Database Vault with Enterprise User Security

You can integrate Oracle Database Vault with Oracle Enterprise User Security. Enterprise User Security enables you to centrally manage database users and authorizations in one place. It is combined with Oracle Identity Management and is available in Oracle Database Enterprise Edition.

In general, to integrate Oracle Database Vault with Oracle Enterprise User Security, you configure the appropriate realms to protect the data that you want to protect in the database.

After you define the Oracle Database Vault roles as needed, you can create a rule set for the Enterprise users to allow or disallow their access.

To configure an Enterprise User authorization:

1. Create a rule to allow or disallow user access.

Follow the instructions in "[Creating a Rule to Add to a Rule Set](#)" on page 5-6 to create a new rule. In the Create Rule page, enter the following PL/SQL in the Rule Expression field:

```
SYS_CONTEXT('USERENV', 'AUTHENTICATED_IDENTITY') = 'user_domain_name'
```

Replace *user\_domain\_name* with the domain, for example:

```
SYS_CONTEXT('USERENV', 'AUTHENTICATED_IDENTITY') = 'myserver.us.example.com'
```

2. Add this rule to a new rule set.

"[Creating a Rule Set](#)" on page 5-3 explains how to create a new rule set, including how to add an existing rule to it.

3. Add this rule set to the realm authorization for the database that you want to protect.

"[Defining Realm Authorization](#)" on page 4-5 explains how to create realm authorizations. In the Authorization Rule Set list, select the rule set that you created in Step 2. Afterward, the realm authorization applies to all users.

For more information about Enterprise User Security, see *Oracle Database Enterprise User Security Administrator's Guide*.

## Integrating Oracle Database Vault with Transparent Data Encryption

Transparent Data Encryption complements Oracle Database Vault in that it provides data protection when the data leaves the secure perimeter of the database. With Transparent Data Encryption, a database administrator or database security administrator can simply encrypt columns with sensitive content in application tables, or encrypt entire application tablespaces, without any modification to the application. For detailed information about Transparent Data Encryption, see *Oracle Database Advanced Security Administrator's Guide*.

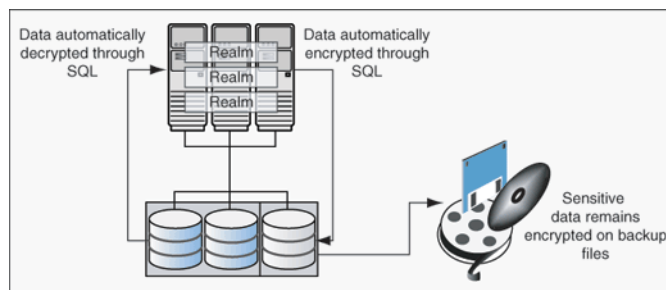
If a user passes the authentication and authorization checks, Transparent Data Encryption automatically encrypts and decrypts information for the user. This way, you can implement encryption without having to change your applications.

Before you can use Oracle Database Vault with Transparent Data Encryption, you must enable the `SYSTEM` user (or other user with privileges to manage Transparent Data Encryption) as at minimum a participant of the Database Dictionary Realm. See "[ADD\\_AUTH\\_TO\\_REALM Procedure](#)" on page 12-2 for more information about adding a user to a realm.

Once you have granted the Transparent Data Encryption user the appropriate privileges, then Transparent Data Encryption can be managed as usual and be used complimentary to Database Vault.

[Figure 9-1](#) shows how Oracle Database Vault realms handle encrypted data.

**Figure 9-1 Encrypted Data and Oracle Database Vault**



## Attaching Factors to an Oracle Virtual Private Database

You can attach factors to an Oracle Virtual Private Database. To do so, define a policy predicate that is a PL/SQL function or expression. Then, for each function or expression, you can use the `DVF.F$` PL/SQL function that is created for each factor.

For more information about Oracle Virtual Private Database, see *Oracle Database Security Guide*.

## Integrating Oracle Database Vault with Oracle Label Security

This section includes the following topics:

- [How Oracle Database Vault Is Integrated with Oracle Label Security](#)
- [Requirements for Using Oracle Database Vault with Oracle Label Security](#)
- [Using Oracle Database Vault Factors with Oracle Label Security Policies](#)
- [Tutorial: Integrating Oracle Database Vault with Oracle Label Security](#)
- [Related Reports and Data Dictionary Views](#)

### How Oracle Database Vault Is Integrated with Oracle Label Security

When you integrate Oracle Database Vault with Oracle Label Security, it means that you can assign an Oracle Label Security label to an Oracle Database Vault factor identity.

In Oracle Label Security, you can restrict access to records in database tables or PL/SQL programs. For example, Mary may be able to see data protected by the HIGHLY SENSITIVE label, an Oracle Label Security label on the EMPLOYEE table that includes records that should have access limited to certain managers. Another label can be PUBLIC, which allows more open access to this data.

In Oracle Database Vault, you can create a factor called Network, for the network on which the database session originates, with the following identities:

- **Intranet:** Used for when an employee is working on site within the intranet for your company.
- **Remote:** Used for when the employee is working at home from a VPN connection.

You then assign a maximum session label to both. For example:

- Assign the Intranet identity to the HIGHLY SENSITIVE Oracle Label Security label.
- Assign the Remote identity to the PUBLIC label.

This means that when Mary is working at home using her VPN connection, she has access only to the limited table data protected under the PUBLIC identity. But when she is in the office, she has access to the HIGHLY SENSITIVE data, because she is using the Intranet identity. "[Tutorial: Integrating Oracle Database Vault with Oracle Label Security](#)" on page 9-6 provides an example of how to accomplish this type of integration.

You can audit the integration with Oracle Label Security by using the Label Security Integration Audit Report. See "[Label Security Integration Audit Report](#)" on page 17-5 for more information. Oracle Database Vault writes the audit trail to the DVSYS.AUDIT\_TRAIL\$ system file, described in [Appendix A, "Auditing Oracle Database Vault."](#)

You can use the Oracle Database Vault APIs to integrate Oracle Database Vault with Oracle Label Security. See [Chapter 12, "Using the DVSYS.DBMS\\_MACADM Package,"](#) for more information.

For more information about Oracle Label Security labels, levels, and policies, see *Oracle Label Security Administrator's Guide*.

You can run reports on the Oracle Database Vault and Oracle Label Security integration. See ["Related Reports and Data Dictionary Views"](#) on page 9-10 for more information.

## Requirements for Using Oracle Database Vault with Oracle Label Security

You must have the following requirements in place before you use Oracle Database Vault with Oracle Label Security:

- Oracle Label Security is licensed separately. Ensure that you have purchased a license to use it.
- Before you install Oracle Database Vault, you must have already installed Oracle Label Security.
- The installation process for Oracle Label Security creates the LBACSYS user account. As a user who has been granted the DV\_ACCTMGR role, unlock this account and grant it a new password. For example:

```
sqlplus amalcolm_dvacctmgr  
Enter password: password
```

```
ALTER USER LBACSYS ACCOUNT UNLOCK IDENTIFIED BY password;
```

Replace *password* with a password that is secure. See *Oracle Database Security Guide* for the minimum requirements for creating passwords.

- If you plan to use the LBACSYS user account in Oracle Enterprise Manager, then log in to Enterprise Manager as user SYS with the SYSDBA privilege, and grant this user the SELECT ANY DICTIONARY and SELECT\_CATALOG\_ROLE system privileges.
- Ensure that you have the appropriate Oracle Label Security policies defined. For more information, see *Oracle Label Security Administrator's Guide*.

## Using Oracle Database Vault Factors with Oracle Label Security Policies

Oracle Database Vault controls the maximum security clearance for a database session by merging the maximum allowable data for each label in a database session by merging the labels of Oracle Database Vault factors that are associated to an Oracle Label Security policy. In brief, a label acts as an identifier for the access privileges of a database table row. A policy is a name associated with the labels, rules, and authorizations that govern access to table rows. See *Oracle Label Security Administrator's Guide* for more information about row labels and policies.

Use the following steps to define factors that contribute to the maximum allowable data label of an Oracle Label Security policy:

1. Log in to Oracle Database Vault Administrator as a user who has been granted the DV\_OWNER or DV\_ADMIN role.

["Starting Oracle Database Vault"](#) on page 3-1 explains how to log in.

2. Make the user LBACSYS account an owner of the realm that contains the schema to which a label security policy has been applied.

This enables the LBACSYS account to have access to all the protected data in the realm, so that it can properly classify the data.

The LBACSYS account is created in Oracle Label Security using the Oracle Universal Installer custom installation option. Before you can create an Oracle Label Security policy for use with Oracle Database Vault, you must make LBACSYS an owner for



the realm you plan to use. See ["Defining Realm Authorization"](#) on page 4-5 for more information.

3. Authorize the schema owner (on which the label security policy has been applied) as either a realm participant or a realm owner.
4. In the Administration page, under Database Vault Feature Administration, click **Label Security Integration**.
5. In the Label Security Policies page:
  - To register a new label security policy, click **Create**.
  - To edit an existing label security policy, select it from the list and then click **Edit**.
6. Enter the following settings and then click **OK**:
  - [General](#)
  - [Label Security Policy Factors](#)

### General

Under General, enter the following settings:

- **Label Security Policy:** From the list, select the Oracle Label Security policy that you want to use.
- **Algorithm:** Optionally change the label-merging algorithm for cases when Oracle Label Security has merged two labels. In most cases, you may want to select **LII - Minimum Level/Intersection/Intersection**. This setting is the most commonly used method that Oracle Label Security administrators use when they want to merge two labels. This setting provides optimum flexibility when your applications must determine the resulting label that is required when combining two data sets that have different labels. It is also necessary for situations in which you must perform queries using joins on rows with different data labels.

For more information on these label-merging algorithms, see *Oracle Label Security Administrator's Guide*. If you want to use the `DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM` package to specify a merge algorithm, see [Table 12-57, "Oracle Label Security Merge Algorithm Codes"](#) on page 12-50 for a full listing of possible merge algorithms.

- **Label for Initialization Errors:** Optionally enter a label for initialization errors. The label specified for initialization errors is set when a configuration error or run-time error occurs during session initialization. You can use this setting to assign the session a data label that prevents access or updates to any data the policy protects until the issue is resolved.

### Label Security Policy Factors

To select a factor to associate with an Oracle Label Security policy:

1. In the **Available Factors** list under Label Security Policy Factors, select the factor that you want to associate with the Oracle Label Security policy.
2. Click **Move** to move the factor to the **Selected Factors** list.

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**Note:** You can select multiple factors by holding down the **Ctrl** key as you click each factor that you want to select.

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After you associate a factor with an Oracle Label Security policy, you can label the factor identities using the labels for the policy. "[Adding an Identity to a Factor](#)" on page 7-10 provides detailed information.

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**Note:** If you do not associate an Oracle Label Security policy with factors, then Oracle Database Vault maintains the default Oracle Label Security behavior for the policy.

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## Tutorial: Integrating Oracle Database Vault with Oracle Label Security

This section contains:

- [About This Tutorial](#)
- [Step 1: Create Users for This Tutorial](#)
- [Step 2: Create the Oracle Label Security Policy](#)
- [Step 3: Create Oracle Database Vault Rules to Control the OLS Authorization](#)
- [Step 4: Update the ALTER SYSTEM Command Rule to Use the Rule Set](#)
- [Step 5: Test the Authorizations](#)
- [Step 6: Remove the Components for This Tutorial](#)

### About This Tutorial

You can use Oracle Database Vault factors with Oracle Label Security and Oracle Virtual Private Database (VPD) technology to restrict access to sensitive data. You can restrict this data so that it is only exposed to a database session when the correct combination of factors exists, defined by the security administrator, for any given database session.

This tutorial shows how you can integrate Oracle Database Vault with Oracle Label Security to grant two administrative users who normally have the same privileges different levels of access.

### Step 1: Create Users for This Tutorial

1. Log in to SQL\*Plus as a user who has been granted the DV\_ACCTMGR role.

For example:

```
sqlplus amalcolm_dvacctmgr
Enter password: password
```

2. Create the following users:

```
CREATE USER mdale IDENTIFIED BY password;
CREATE USER jsmith IDENTIFIED BY password;
```

Replace *password* with a password that is secure. See *Oracle Database Security Guide* for the minimum requirements for creating passwords.

3. Connect as user SYS with the SYSDBA privilege and then grant administrative privileges to users mdale and jsmith.

```
CONNECT SYS/AS SYSDBA
Enter password: password
```

```
GRANT CREATE SESSION, DBA TO mdale, jsmith;
```

At this stage, users `mdale` and `jsmith` have identical administrative privileges.

## Step 2: Create the Oracle Label Security Policy

1. In SQL\*Plus, connect as the Oracle Label Security administrator, `LBACSYS`.

```
CONNECT LBACSYS
Enter password: password
```

If user `LBACSYS` is locked and expired, connect as the Database Vault Account Manager, unlock and unexpire the `LBACSYS` account, and then log back in as `LBACSYS`.

For example:

```
CONNECT amalcolm_dvacctmgr
Enter password: password
```

```
ALTER USER LBACSYS ACCOUNT UNLOCK IDENTIFIED BY password;
```

```
CONNECT LBACSYS
Enter password: password
```

2. Create a new Oracle Label Security policy:

```
EXEC SA_SYSDBA.CREATE_POLICY('PRIVACY', 'PRIVACY_COLUMN', 'NO_CONTROL');
```

3. Create the following levels for the `PRIVACY` policy:

```
EXEC SA_COMPONENTS.CREATE_LEVEL('PRIVACY', 2000, 'S', 'SENSITIVE');
EXEC SA_COMPONENTS.CREATE_LEVEL('PRIVACY', 1000, 'C', 'CONFIDENTIAL');
```

4. Create the PII compartment.

```
EXEC SA_COMPONENTS.CREATE_COMPARTMENT('PRIVACY', 100, 'PII', 'PERS_INFO');
```

5. Grant users `mdale` and `jsmith` the following labels:

```
EXEC SA_USER_ADMIN.SET_USER_LABELS('PRIVACY', 'mdale', 'S:PII');
EXEC SA_USER_ADMIN.SET_USER_LABELS('PRIVACY', 'jsmith', 'C');
```

User `mdale` is granted the more sensitive label, `Sensitive`, which includes the `PII` compartment. User `jsmith` gets the `Confidential` label, which is less sensitive.

## Step 3: Create Oracle Database Vault Rules to Control the OLS Authorization

1. Connect to SQL\*Plus as the Database Vault Owner.

For example:

```
CONNECT lbrown_dvowner
Enter password: password
```

2. Create the following rule set:

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE_SET('PII Rule Set',
'Protect PII data from privileged users', 'Y', 1, 0, 2, NULL, NULL, 0, NULL);
```

3. Create a rule for the `PII Rule Set`.

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE('Check OLS Factor',
'dominates(sa_utl.numeric_label('PRIVACY'),
char_to_label('PRIVACY', 'S:PII')) = '111');
```

Ensure that you use single quotes, as shown in this example, and not double quotes.

4. Add the Check OLS Factor rule to the PII Rule Set.

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.ADD_RULE_TO_RULE_SET('PII Rule Set',
      'Check OLS Factor');
```

5. Synchronize the Check OLS factor rule.

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.SYNC_RULES;
COMMIT;
```

#### Step 4: Update the ALTER SYSTEM Command Rule to Use the Rule Set

1. As the Database Vault Owner, check the current value of the ALTER SYSTEM command rule, which is one of the default command rules when you install Oracle Database Vault.

```
SELECT * FROM DVSYS.DBA_DV_COMMAND_RULE WHERE COMMAND = 'ALTER SYSTEM';
```

2. Make a note of these settings so that you can revert them to their original values later on.

In a default installation, the ALTER SYSTEM command rule uses the Allow System Parameters rule set, has no object owner or name, and is enabled.

3. Update the ALTER SYSTEM command rule to include the PII Rule Set.

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UPDATE_COMMAND_RULE('ALTER SYSTEM', 'PII Rule Set', '%',
      '%', 'Y');
```

This command adds the PII Rule Set to the ALTER SYSTEM command rule, applies it to all object owners and object names, and enables the command rule.

#### Step 5: Test the Authorizations

1. In SQL\*Plus, log on as user mdale.

```
CONNECT mdale
Enter password: password
```

2. Check the current setting for the AUDIT\_TRAIL initialization parameter.

```
SHOW PARAMETER AUDIT_TRAIL
```

NAME	TYPE	VALUE
audit_trail	string	DB

Make a note of this setting, so that you can revert it to its original setting later on.

3. As user mdale, use the ALTER SYSTEM statement to modify the AUDIT\_TRAIL parameter.

```
ALTER SYSTEM SET AUDIT_TRAIL=OS, EXTENDED SCOPE=SPFILE;
System altered.
```

Because user mdale was assigned the Sensitive label with the PII compartment, he can use the ALTER SYSTEM statement to modify the AUDIT\_TRAIL system parameter.

4. Set the AUDIT\_TRAIL parameter back to its original value, for example:

```
ALTER SYSTEM SET AUDIT_TRAIL=DB, EXTENDED SCOPE=SPFILE;
```

5. Log in as user `jsmith` and then issue the same `ALTER SYSTEM` statement:

```
CONNECT jsmith
Enter password: password

ALTER SYSTEM SET AUDIT_TRAIL=OS, EXTENDED SCOPE=SPFILE;
```

The following output should appear:

```
ERROR at line 1:
ORA-01031: insufficient privileges
```

Because user `jsmith` was assigned only the Confidential label, he cannot perform the `ALTER SYSTEM` statement.

6. Now log in as user `SYSTEM`, who normally has the `ALTER SYSTEM` privilege, and issue the same `ALTER SYSTEM` statement:

```
CONNECT SYSTEM
Enter password: password
```

The following output should appear:

```
ERROR at line 1:
ORA-01031: insufficient privileges
```

`SYSTEM` no longer has sufficient privileges needed to perform an `ALTER SYSTEM` statement. Only users who have been assigned the Sensitive label, as with user `mdale`, can use the `ALTER SYSTEM` statement.

## Step 6: Remove the Components for This Tutorial

1. Connect as the Oracle Label Security administrator and remove the label policy and its components.

```
CONNECT LBACSYS
Enter password: password

EXEC SA_SYSDBA.DROP_POLICY('PRIVACY', TRUE);
```

2. Connect as the Oracle Database Vault Owner and issue the following commands in the order shown, to set the `ALTER SYSTEM` command rule back to its previous setting and remove the rule set.

For example:

```
CONNECT lbrown_dvowner
Enter password: password

EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UPDATE_COMMAND_RULE('ALTER SYSTEM', 'Allow System
Parameters','%','%', 'Y');
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_RULE_FROM_RULE_SET('PII Rule Set', 'Check OLS
Factor');
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_RULE('Check OLS Factor');
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_RULE_SET('PII Rule Set');
COMMIT;
```

3. Connect as the Database Vault Account Manager and remove users `mdale` and `jsmith`.

```
CONNECT amalcolm_dvacctmgr
Enter password: password
```

```
DROP USER mdale;
DROP USER jsmith;
```

## Related Reports and Data Dictionary Views

Table 9–1 lists Oracle Database Vault reports that are useful for analyzing the integration of Oracle Database Vault and Oracle Label Security. See [Chapter 17, "Oracle Database Vault Reports,"](#) for information about how to run these reports.

**Table 9–1 Reports Related to Database Vault and Oracle Label Security Integration**

Report	Description
"Factor Configuration Issues Report" on page 17-3	Lists factors in which the Oracle Label Security policy does not exist.
"Identity Configuration Issues Report" on page 17-3	Lists invalid label identities (the Oracle Label Security label for this identity has been removed and no longer exists).
"Security Policy Exemption Report" on page 17-10	Lists accounts and roles that have the EXEMPT ACCESS POLICY system privilege granted to them. Accounts that have this privilege can bypass all Virtual Private Database policy filters and any Oracle Label Security policies that use Oracle Virtual Private Database indirectly.

Table 9–2 lists data dictionary views that provide information about existing Oracle Label Security policies used with Oracle Database Vault.

**Table 9–2 Data Dictionary Views Used for Oracle Label Security**

Data Dictionary View	Description
"DBA_DV_MAC_POLICY View" on page 11-22	Lists the Oracle Label Security policies defined
"DBA_DV_MAC_POLICY_FACTOR View" on page 11-23	Lists the factors that are associated with Oracle Label Security policies
"DBA_DV_POLICY_LABEL View" on page 11-24	Lists the Oracle Label Security label for each factor identifier in the DBA_DV_IDENTITY view for each policy

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# DBA Operations in an Oracle Database Vault Environment

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## Using Oracle Database Vault with Oracle Enterprise Manager

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## Setting the Database Vault Administrator URL in Oracle Enterprise Manager

You can configure Database Control or Grid Control to use a specific Database Vault Administrator URL.

1. Access Oracle Database Vault Home page from Oracle Enterprise Manager.

See "[Accessing Oracle Database Vault Page from Oracle Enterprise Manager](#)" on page 3-1.

If you want to save the Database Vault URL:

- **For Database Control:** Ensure that in addition to being granted the `DV_OWNER` or `DV_ADMIN` role, that you are also an Enterprise Manager administrator.
  - **For Grid Control:** Ensure that you have been granted the `OPERATOR` privilege on the target database.
2. Access the Database Vault Administrator URL page.

From the Database Vault Home page, click the **Administration** tab, and then under Policy Administration, click the **Launch Database Vault Administrator** link.

The Database Vault Administrator URL page appears.

3. In the Database Vault Administrator URL field, enter the Database Vault Administrator URL that you want to use.

For example:

```
https://myserver.us.example.com:1148/dva
```

4. To test the URL, click the **Launch to test URL** button.
5. Click the **Save** button.

## Propagating Oracle Database Vault Policies to Other Databases

If you have Oracle Database Vault installed in an Oracle Enterprise Manager Grid Control Release 10.2.0.5 environment, then you can propagate Database Vault policies to other Database Vault-protected databases. Note that you cannot use Grid Control to create Database Vault policies or perform the actions normally provided for in Database Vault Administrator. If you want to perform these functions, then use Database Vault Administrator.

To propagate Database Vault policies to other databases:

1. Access Oracle Database Vault Administrator from Oracle Enterprise Manager, and log in to Database Vault as a user who has been granted the `DV_OWNER` or `DV_ADMIN` role.

Ensure that you select the database that contains the policies that you want to propagate.

See "[Accessing Oracle Database Vault Page from Oracle Enterprise Manager](#)" on page 3-1.

2. From the Database Vault home page, select the **Administration** subpage.
3. In the Administration page, under Policy Propagation, select the **Database Vault Policy Propagation** link.

The Available Policies area in the Policy Propagation subpage lists a summary of the Oracle Database Vault policies that were created for the database that you selected in Step 1. From here, you can propagate these policies to another database.

4. Under Available Policies, select each policy that you want to propagate to another database.

By default, all policies are selected.



**ORACLE Enterprise Manager 10g** Grid Control

Home Targets Deployments Alerts Compliance Jobs Reports

Database Instance: DW1 Data > Database Vault > Logged in As AM\_DV\_OWNER

### Database Vault Policy Management

The Database Vault Policy Management feature enables the propagation of database vault policies like Realms, Command Rules, Secure Application roles, Factors and Rulesets from a source database to multiple destination databases. This allows to propagate database security policies across an enterprise.

Cancel Show SQL OK

**Available Policies**

The following is the list of all the available database vault policies. Select the policies that need to be propagated to the destination databases.

Select All | Select None | Expand All | Collapse All

Select Name	Status
▼ Policies	
▶ Realms	
▶ Command Rules	
▼ Secure Application Roles	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> APPROLE1	Enabled
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> APPROLE3	Enabled
▶ Rule Sets	

**Destination Databases**

Select the databases to which these policies need to be applied. Database vault administrator credentials are required for each of the destination databases to successfully propagate the policies.

The table below shows the list of database targets to which these database policies will be applied.

Add Remove

Select Database Name	Database Type	Database Vault Administrator User Name	Database Vault Administrator Password
Add destination databases.			

- Under Destination Databases, click the **Add** button.

**Destination Databases**

Select the databases to which these policies need to be applied. Database vault administrator credentials are required for each of the destination databases to successfully propagate the policies.

The table below shows the list of database targets to which these database policies will be applied.

Add Remove

Select Database Name	Database Type	Database Vault Administrator User Name	Database Vault Administrator Password
Add destination databases.			

**Propagate Options**

Restore on failure.  
If policy propagation encounters errors, the original database vault policies on the destination are restored.

Skip propagation if user defined policies exist.  
If there are already existing user defined policies, policy propagation would not be attempted.

Propagate Enterprise Manager metric thresholds for database vault metrics.  
Database vault related metric thresholds, configured on this database will be propagated to destination databases.

**Related Links**

[Metric and Policy Settings](#)

- Under Search and Select: Database Vault Enabled Destination Databases, search for the destination databases, and then select each database to which you want to propagate the policies. Then click the **Select** button.
- Under Destination Databases, do the following:
  - Under Apply credentials across destination database(s), enter the user name and password of the administrator of the Database Vault database that contains the policies you want to propagate.  
  
This feature applies the Database Vault administrator's user name and password to all of the selected destination databases.
  - Select each database to which you want to propagate the policies.
  - Enter the Database Vault administrator user name and password for each database.
  - Click the **Apply** button.
- In the Propagate Options page, select from the following options.

Any changes made to the seeded realms, command rules, rule sets, and so on will not be propagated to the destination databases. Only custom-created data are propagated.

- **Restore on failure:** If the policy propagation encounters errors, then the propagation is rolled back. That is, the original policies on the destination database are restored. If you do not select this option, then the policy propagation on the destination database continues and ignores any errors.
  - **Skip propagation if user defined policies exist:** If the destination databases already have the user-defined policies, then the policy propagation is not attempted. If you do not select this option, then regardless of whether user-defined policies exist on the destination database, all the existing policies are cleared, and the policies from the source database are applied to the destination database.
  - **Propagate Enterprise Manager metric thresholds for database vault metrics:** If the source database has Oracle Database Vault metric thresholds set, then these thresholds are also propagated to the destination databases. If you do not select this option, then only policies are propagated and not the Oracle Database Vault thresholds.
9. Click the **OK** button.
  10. In the Confirmation window, click **OK**.

A message indicating success or failure appears. If the propagation succeeds, then the policies are active right away in their destination databases.

## Using Enterprise Manager Grid Control Alerts for Oracle Database Vault Policies

Grid Control generates Oracle Database Vault-specific alerts. To view these alerts, you must be granted the `DV_OWNER`, `DV_ADMIN`, or `DV_SECANALYST` role. The alerts are as follows:

- **Database Vault Attempted Realm Violations.** This alert helps the Oracle Database Vault security analyst (`DV_SECANALYST` role) to monitor violation attempts on the Database Vault database. This user can select the realms to be affected by the alert and filter these realms based on the different types of attempts by using error codes. You can enable this metric from the Metrics and Policy Settings page. By default, the attempted realm violations are collected every 24 hours.
- **Database Vault Attempted Command Rule Violations.** The functionality for this alert is the same as for Database Vault Attempted Realm Violations, except that it focuses on violations on command rules.
- **Database Vault Realm Configuration Issues.** This metric tracks and raises an alert if users misconfigure realms. This metric is enabled when you install Oracle Database vault, and by default it collects data every one hour.
- **Database Vault Command Rule Configuration Issues.** This functionality for this alert is that same as Database Vault Realm Configuration Issues, except that it focuses on configuration changes to command rules.
- **Database Vault Policy Changes.** This metric raises an alert on any change to any Database Vault policy, such as policies for realms and command rules. It provides a detailed policy changes report.

## Using Oracle Database Vault-Specific Reports in Enterprise Manager Grid Control

From the Database Vault home page, you can find information about the following types of violations:

- Top five attempted violations on realm and command rule
- Top five attempted violations by database users and client host
- Time series-based graphical reports on attempted violations for more detailed analysis

To have full access to the Database Vault reports, you must log in to Database Vault Administrator as a user who has been granted the `DV_OWNER`, `DV_ADMIN`, or `DV_SECANALYST` role.

**See Also:** [Chapter 17, "Oracle Database Vault Reports"](#)

## Changing the DBSNMP Account Password in an Oracle Database Vault Environment

Before you can change the password for the DBSNMP user account, you must revoke the `DV_MONITOR` role from this account. In an Oracle Database Vault environment, the DBSNMP user account is granted the `DV_MONITOR` role. (The DBSNMP user can change his or her own password directly, without having to have the `DV_MONITOR` role revoked first.)

To change the DBSNMP user password:

1. Log in to SQL\*Plus using an account that has been granted the `DV_OWNER` role.
2. Revoke the `DV_MONITOR` role from the DBSNMP user account.
3. Connect as a user who has been granted the `DV_ACCTMGR` role and then change the DBSNMP user account password.
4. Connect as the `DV_OWNER` user and then grant the `DV_MONITOR` role back to the DBSNMP user account.

Alternatively, you can temporarily disable Oracle Database Vault, log on as a user who has been granted the `ALTER USER` privilege, and then modify the DBSNMP password. Afterward, re-enable Database Vault. See [Appendix B, "Disabling and Enabling Oracle Database Vault,"](#) for more information.

## Using Oracle Data Pump in an Oracle Database Vault Environment

This section contains:

- [About Using Oracle Data Pump in an Oracle Database Vault Environment](#)
- [Granting a Database Administrator Authorization to Use Oracle Data Pump](#)
- [Guidelines for Exporting or Importing Data in an Oracle Database Vault Environment](#)
- [Revoking Authorization from Databases Administrators Who Are Using Data Pump](#)

## About Using Oracle Data Pump in an Oracle Database Vault Environment

Database administrators who want to use Oracle Data Pump must have Oracle Database Vault-specific authorization, in addition to the standard Oracle Data Pump privileges, if they want to export and import data in an Oracle Database Vault environment.

The level of authorization that you must grant depends on the following scenarios:

- **A database administrator wants to export or import data in a schema that has no realm protection.** In this case, this user only needs the standard Oracle Data Pump privileges, not the Oracle Database Vault authorization.
- **A database administrator wants to export or import data in his or her own schema.** If this schema is protected by a realm, ensure that this user is authorized to access the realm that protects these objects. Normally, even when objects are protected by a realm, their owner still can perform DML operations on them without having to be authorized by a realm. This does not apply for Oracle Data Pump export and import operations. The object owner must be authorized for the realm that protects the schema. See "[Defining Realm Authorization](#)" on page 4-5 for instructions on granting a user realm authorization. Other than the realm authorization, the administrator must have the standard system privileges normally required for using Oracle Data Pump.
- **A database administrator wants to export or import data in the schemas of other users.** You must grant this user Database Vault-specific authorization by using the `DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.AUTHORIZE_DATAPUMP_USER` procedure. This authorization applies to both the `EXPDP` and `IMPDP` utilities. (Remember that you cannot use the `EXP` and `IMP` utilities if Oracle Database Vault is enabled.) Later on, you can revoke this authorization by using the `DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UNAUTHORIZE_DATAPUMP_USER` procedure.

This type of authorization is strictly for Oracle Data Pump operations only. For example, a user who has been granted this privilege is permitted to export and import database objects, but he or she cannot perform other activities, such as `SELECT` queries on schema tables to which he or she normally does not have access. Similarly, if the user tries to perform a Data Pump operation on any objects outside the designated data objects, he or she will not be permitted.

- **A database administrator wants to export or import the contents of an entire database.** In addition to the authorization granted by the `DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.AUTHORIZE_DATAPUMP_USER` procedure, you must grant this user the `DV_OWNER` role. The reason you must do so is because a full database export will naturally require access to the `DVSYS` schema, which stores the Oracle Database Vault policies. Conversely, for a Data Pump import operation to apply the imported policies to the target database, it internally uses the `DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.PL/SQL` package, which in turn requires the Data Pump user to have the `DV_OWNER` role.

## Granting a Database Administrator Authorization to Use Oracle Data Pump

To authorize a database administrator to use Data Pump in an Oracle Database Vault environment:

1. Log in to SQL\*Plus as a user who has been granted the `DV_OWNER` or `DV_ADMIN` role.
2. Ensure that the user to whom you want to grant authorization has been granted the `EXP_FULL_DATABASE` and `IMP_FULL_DATABASE` roles, which are required for using Oracle Data Pump.

```
SELECT GRANTEE, GRANTED_ROLE FROM DBA_ROLE_PRIVS
WHERE GRANTED_ROLE LIKE '%FULL%';
```

3. Grant this user Oracle Database Vault authorization.

For example, to authorize the Data Pump user `dp_mgr` to export and import objects for an entire database:

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.AUTHORIZE_DATAPUMP_USER('dp_mgr');
```

Optionally, you can restrict `dp_mgr`'s activities to a specific schema or even a table, as shown in the following examples:

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.AUTHORIZE_DATAPUMP_USER('DP_MGR', 'HR');
```

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.AUTHORIZE_DATAPUMP_USER('DP_MGR', 'HR', 'EMPLOYEES');
```

See "[AUTHORIZE\\_DATAPUMP\\_USER Procedure](#)" on page 12-55 for detailed information about this procedure.

After you run the `DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.AUTHORIZE_DATAPUMP_USER` procedure, the authorization is stored as a rule in the Allow Oracle Data Pump Operation rule set, described in "[Default Rule Sets](#)" on page 5-2. You can refer to this rule set by querying the `DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE_SET` view if you want to check the user's authorizations.

4. If the objects that this user wants to import are associated with other objects that are protected by a realm, then authorize the user to have access to that realm.

For example, suppose user `dp_mgr` wants to export the `SCOTT` schema. However, the `SCOTT` schema is associated with the `SYSMAN.AQ$_MGMT_NOTIFY_QTABLE_S` table, and the `SYSMAN` schema is protected by a realm. So, before user `dp_mgr` can export the `SCOTT` schema, he must be authorized as follows:

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.AUTHORIZE_DATAPUMP_USER('dp_mgr', 'SYSMAN');
```

5. If the user must export the entire database, then grant the user the `DV_OWNER` role.

```
GRANT DV_OWNER TO dp_mgr;
```

6. Ensure that the Allow Oracle Data Pump Operation rule set has been enabled by querying the `DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE_SET` data dictionary view as follows:

```
SELECT ENABLED FROM DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE_SET
WHERE RULE_SET_NAME = 'Allow Oracle Data Pump Operation';
```

## Guidelines for Exporting or Importing Data in an Oracle Database Vault Environment

After you have granted the database administrator who is using Data Pump the necessary authorization, this user is ready to perform any export or import operations that are necessary. Before this user begins work, he or she should follow these guidelines:

- **Create a full backup of the database datafiles.** This way, if you or other users do not like the newly-imported data, you easily can revert the database to its previous state. This guideline is especially useful if an intruder had managed to modify Data Pump exported data to use his or her own policies.
- **Decide how to handle exporting and importing multiple schemas or tables.** You cannot specify multiple schemas or tables in the `DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.AUTHORIZE_DATAPUMP_USER` procedure, but you can use either of the following methods to accomplish this task:
  - Run individual `DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.AUTHORIZE_DATAPUMP_USER` procedures for each schema or table, and then specify the list of these objects in the `SCHEMAS` or `TABLES` parameter of the `expdp` and `impdp` utilities.
  - Perform a full database export or import operation. If so, see the next guideline.

- **When performing an export or import operation for an entire database, set the expdp or impdp FULL option to Y.** Remember that this setting will capture the DVSYS schema, so ensure that the user has been granted the DV\_OWNER role. For detailed information about Oracle Data Pump, see *Oracle Database Utilities*.

## Revoking Authorization from Databases Administrators Who Are Using Data Pump

To revoke authorization from the database administrator who is using Data Pump:

1. If you granted the user the DV\_OWNER role, optionally revoke this role.

```
REVOKE DV_OWNER FROM dp_mgr;
```

2. Query the DVSYS.DBA\_DV\_RULE\_SET data dictionary view and then make a note of the user's authorizations that have been defined in the Allow Oracle Data Pump Operation rule set.

```
SELECT RULE_EXPR FROM DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE_SET_RULE
WHERE RULE_SET_NAME = 'Allow Oracle Data Pump Operation';
```

For example, if you had authorized user dp\_mgr to perform export and import operations on the entire database, a rule defining this authorization appears in the list of rule expressions in the Allow Oracle Data Pump Operation rule set.

3. Use the information you gathered from Step 2 to build the DVSYS.DBMS\_MACADM.UNAUTHORIZE\_DATAPUMP\_USER command.

For example:

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UNAUTHORIZE_DATAPUMP_USER('DP_MGR');
```

Ensure that this unauthorization complements the original authorization action. In other words, if you originally gave dp\_mgr authorization over the entire database, then the following commands will not work:

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UNAUTHORIZE_DATAPUMP_USER('DP_MGR', 'HR');
```

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UNAUTHORIZE_DATAPUMP_USER('DP_MGR', 'HR', 'EMPLOYEES');
```

See "[UNAUTHORIZE\\_DATAPUMP\\_USER Procedure](#)" on page 12-57 for more information.

## Scheduling Database Jobs in an Oracle Database Vault Environment

This section contains:

- [About Scheduling Database Jobs in an Oracle Database Vault Environment](#)
- [Granting a Job Scheduling Administrator Authorization for Oracle Database Vault](#)
- [Revoking Authorization from Job Scheduling Administrators](#)

### About Scheduling Database Jobs in an Oracle Database Vault Environment

Users who are responsible for scheduling database jobs must have Oracle Database Vault-specific administration, in addition to the standard system privileges required for scheduling database jobs.

The level of authorization that you must grant depends on the following scenarios:

- **An administrator wants to schedule a job in his or her own schema.** An administrator who has been granted privileges to schedule database jobs can

continue to do so without any Oracle Database Vault-specific authorizations, unless this schema is protected by a realm. In that case, ensure that this user is authorized to access the realm. See ["Defining Realm Authorization"](#) on page 4-5 for instructions on granting a user realm authorization.

- **An administrator wants to run a job in another schema, but this job does not access any Oracle Database Vault realm or command rule protected object.** In this case, this user only needs job related system privileges, not the Oracle Database Vault privileges.
- **An administrator wants to run a job under the schema of another user, including any schema in the database or a remote database.** If this job accesses an Oracle Database Vault realm or command rule protected object, then you must grant this user Database Vault-specific authorization by using the `DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.AUTHORIZE_SCHEDULER_USER` procedure. This authorization applies to both background and foreground jobs. For background jobs, the authorization applies to the last user who created or modified the job. In addition, ensure that the schema owner (the protected schema in which the job is created) authorized to the realm.

Later on, you can revoke this authorization by using the `DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UNAUTHORIZE_SCHEDULER_USER` procedure. If the schema is not protected by a realm, then you do not need to run the `DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.AUTHORIZE_SCHEDULER_USER` procedure for the user.

## Granting a Job Scheduling Administrator Authorization for Oracle Database Vault

To authorize a user to schedule database jobs:

1. Log in to SQL\*Plus as a user who has been granted the `DV_OWNER` or `DV_ADMIN` role. Only a user who has been granted either of these roles can grant the necessary authorization.
2. Ensure that the user to whom you want to grant authorization has been granted system privileges to schedule database jobs.

These privileges include any of the following: `CREATE JOB`, `CREATE ANY JOB`, `CREATE EXTERNAL JOB`, `EXECUTE ANY PROGRAM`, `EXECUTE ANY CLASS`, `MANAGE SCHEDULER`. The `DBA` and `SCHEDULER_ADMIN` roles provide these privileges; however, when Oracle Database Vault is enabled, the privileges are revoked from these roles.

For example:

```
SELECT GRANTEE, PRIVILEGE FROM DBA_SYS_PRIVS
WHERE PRIVILEGE IN ('CREATE JOB', 'CREATE ANY JOB');
```

3. Grant this user Oracle Database Vault authorization.

For example, to authorize the user `job_mgr` to schedule jobs for any schema in the database:

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.AUTHORIZE_SCHEDULER_USER('JOB_MGR');
```

Optionally, you can restrict `job_mgr`'s activities to a specific schema, as follows:

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.AUTHORIZE_SCHEDULER_USER('JOB_MGR', 'HR');
```

See ["AUTHORIZE\\_SCHEDULER\\_USER Procedure"](#) on page 12-56 for detailed information about this procedure.



After you run the `DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.AUTHORIZE_SCHEDULER_USER` procedure, the authorization is stored as a rule in the Allow Scheduler Job rule set, described in ["Default Rule Sets"](#) on page 5-2. You can refer to this rule set by querying the `DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE_SET` view if you want to check the user's authorizations.

4. Ensure that the user has been authorized by querying the `DVSYS.DBA_DV_JOB_AUTH` data dictionary view as follows:

```
SELECT GRANTEE, OBJECT_OWNER FROM DVSYS.DBA_DV_JOB_AUTH
WHERE GRANTEE = 'user_name';
```

## Revoking Authorization from Job Scheduling Administrators

To revoke authorization from a user for scheduling database jobs.

1. Query the `DVSYS.DBA_DV_JOB_AUTH` data dictionary view and then make a note of the user's authorizations that have been defined in the Allow Scheduler Job rule set.

```
SELECT GRANTEE FROM DVSYS.DBA_DV_JOB_AUTH;
```

For example, if you had authorized user `job_mgr` to perform schedule database jobs for the entire database, a rule defining this authorization appears in the list of rule expressions in the Allow Scheduler Job rule set.

2. Use the information you gathered from Step 1 to build the `DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UNAUTHORIZE_SCHEDULER_USER` command.

For example:

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UNAUTHORIZE_SCHEDULER_USER('JOB_MGR');
```

Ensure that this unauthorization complements the original authorization action. In other words, if you originally gave `job_mgr` authorization over the entire database, then the following command will not work:

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UNAUTHORIZE_SCHEDULER_USER('JOB_MGR', 'HR');
```

See ["UNAUTHORIZE\\_SCHEDULER\\_USER Procedure"](#) on page 12-58 for more information.

## Using Oracle Database Vault with Oracle Recovery Manager

You can use Recovery Manager (RMAN) in an Oracle Database Vault environment. The functionality of RMAN with Oracle Database Vault is the same as its functionality in a standard Oracle Database environment.

For more information about RMAN, see the following documentation:

- *Oracle Database Backup and Recovery User's Guide*
- *Oracle Database Backup and Recovery Reference*

## Using Oracle Streams in an Oracle Database Vault Environment

If you want to use Oracle Streams in an Oracle Database Vault environment, then you must have the following privileges:

- You must be granted the `DV_STREAMS_ADMIN` role in order to configure the Oracle Streams capture process. See ["DV\\_STREAMS\\_ADMIN Oracle Streams Configuration Role"](#) on page 11-8 for more information.



- Before you can apply changes to any tables that are protected by a realm, you must be authorized to have access to that realm. For example:

```
EXEC DBMS_MACADM.ADD_AUTH_TO_REALM('realm_name', 'username');
```

See "[ADD\\_AUTH\\_TO\\_REALM Procedure](#)" on page 12-2 for more information about the `DBMS_MACADM.ADD_AUTH_TO_REALM` procedure.

## Using Data Masking in an Oracle Database Vault Environment

This section contains:

- [About Data Masking in an Oracle Database Vault Enabled Database](#)
- [Adding Data Masking Users to the Data Dictionary Realm Authorizations](#)
- [Giving Users Access to Tables or Schemas That They Want to Mask](#)
- [Creating a Command Rule to Enable Data Masking Privileges](#)

### About Data Masking in an Oracle Database Vault Enabled Database

In an Oracle Database Vault-enabled database, only users who have Database Vault authorizations can mask data in Database Vault-protected database objects. In a non-Database Vault environment, users who have been granted the `SELECT_CATALOG_ROLE` and `DBA` roles can perform data masking. However, with Database Vault, users must have additional privileges. This section describes three ways that you can use to enable users to mask data in Database Vault-protected objects.

If users do not have the correct privileges, then the following errors can occur while creating the masking definition or when the job is executing:

```
ORA-47400: Command Rule violation for string on string
```

```
ORA-47401: Realm violation for string on string.
```

```
ORA-47408: Realm violation for the EXECUTE command
```

```
ORA-47409: Command Rule violation for the EXECUTE command
```

```
ORA-01301: insufficient privileges
```

### Adding Data Masking Users to the Data Dictionary Realm Authorizations

The Oracle Data Dictionary controls access to the Oracle Database catalog schemas, such as `SYS` and `SYSTEM`. (See "[Default Realms](#)" on page 4-2 for a full list of these schemas.) It also controls the ability to grant system privileges and database administrator roles. If you add users to the Data Dictionary realm, and assuming these users already have the privileges associated with the Oracle Data Dictionary, then these users will have these same privileges in a Database Vault environment. Therefore, if you do add a user to this realm, ensure that this user is a trusted user.

For example:

```
BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.ADD_AUTH_TO_REALM(
    realm_name => 'Data Dictionary Realm',
    grantee     => 'DBA_JSMITH',
    auth_options => DBMS_MACUTL.G_REALM_AUTH_PARTICIPANT);
END;
/
```

## Giving Users Access to Tables or Schemas That They Want to Mask

If the table or schema of a table that is to be data masked is in a realm, then you must add the user responsible for data masking to the realm authorization as a participant or owner. If the table or schema has dependent objects that are in other realm-protected tables, then you must grant the user participant or owner authorization for those realms as well.

The following example shows how to grant user DBA\_JSMITH authorization for the HR.EMPLOYEES table, which is protected by a realm called Business Apps Realm:

```
BEGIN
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.ADD_AUTH_TO_REALM(
  realm_name => 'Business Apps Realm',
  grantee    => 'DBA_JSMITH',
  auth_options => DBMS_MACUTL.G_REALM_AUTH_PARTICIPANT;
END;
/
```

## Creating a Command Rule to Enable Data Masking Privileges

For data masking, users must have the CREATE TABLE, SELECT TABLE, ALTER TABLE, and DROP TABLE privileges for the masking objects and if there are any dependent objects to be created, the user must have the appropriate privileges such as CREATE PACKAGE, CREATE TRIGGER, and so on.

You can create command rules to control data masking privileges at a granular level. To do so, create a command rule that can either prevent or allow the user access to objects that must have to be data masked. For example, you can create a command rule called Allow Data Masking that checks if the user is in a list of users who are responsible for data masking. If the user logging in is one of these users, then the command rule evaluates to true and the user is permitted to create the data mask for the protected object.

To create this type of command rule:

1. Create the rule set rule.

For example:

```
BEGIN
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE(
  rule_name => 'Is HDRISCOLL or DBA_JSMITH User',
  rule_expr => 'USER IN(''HDRISCOLL'', ''DBA_JSMITH'')';
END;
/
```

2. Create a rule set and then add the rule to it:

```
BEGIN
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE_SET(
  rule_set_name => 'Allow Data Masking',
  description  => 'Allows users HDRISCOLL and DBA_JSMITH access',
  enabled      => 'Y',
  eval_options => 1,
  audit_options => 1,
  fail_options => 1,
  fail_message => 'You do not have access to this object.',
  fail_code    => 20461,
  handler_options => 0,
  is_static    => TRUE);
END;
```

```
/
BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.ADD_RULE_TO_RULE_SET(
    rule_set_name => 'Allow Data Masking',
    rule_name      => 'Is HDRISCOLL or DBA_JSMITH User'),
    rule_order    => 1);
END;
/
```

**3. Create a command rule and then add this rule to it:**

```
BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_COMMAND_RULE(
    command        => 'CREATE TABLE',
    rule_set_name  => 'Allow Data Masking',
    object_owner   => 'HR',
    object_name    => 'EMPLOYEES',
    enabled        => DBMS_MACUTL.G_YES);
END;
/
```



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# Oracle Database Vault Objects

This chapter contains:

- [Oracle Database Vault Schemas](#)
- [Oracle Database Vault Roles](#)
- [Oracle Database Vault Accounts](#)
- [Oracle Database Vault Data Dictionary Views](#)

## Oracle Database Vault Schemas

The Oracle Database Vault objects include two schemas with database tables, sequences, views, triggers, roles, packages, procedures, functions, and contexts that support the administration and run-time processing of Oracle Database Vault.

Oracle Database Vault has the following schemas:

- [DVSYS Schema](#): Owns the Oracle Database Vault schema and related objects
- [DVF Schema](#): Owns the Oracle Database Vault functions that are created to retrieve factor identities

## DVSYS Schema

The DVSYS schema contains Oracle Database Vault database objects, which store Oracle Database Vault configuration information and support the administration and run-time processing of Oracle Database Vault. In a default installation, the DVSYS schema is locked. The DVSYS schema also owns the AUDIT\_TRAIL\$ table.

Oracle Database Vault secures the DVSYS schema by using a protected schema design. A protected schema design guards the schema against improper use of system privileges (for example, `SELECT ANY TABLE`, `CREATE ANY VIEW`, or `DROP ANY`).

Oracle Database Vault protects and secures the DVSYS schema in the following ways:

- The DVSYS protected schema and its administrative roles cannot be dropped. By default, the DVSYS account is locked.
- Statements such as `CREATE USER`, `ALTER USER`, `DROP USER`, `CREATE PROFILE`, `ALTER PROFILE`, and `DROP PROFILE` can only be issued by a user with the `DV_ACCTMGR` role. SYSDBA can issue these statements only if it is allowed to do so by modifying the Can Maintain Accounts/Profiles rule set.
- The powerful ANY system privileges for database definition language (DDL) and data manipulation language (DML) commands are blocked in the protected schema. This means that the objects in the DVSYS schema must be created by the

schema account itself. Also, access to the schema objects must be authorized through object privilege grants.

- Object privileges in the `DVSYS` schema can only be granted to administrative roles in the schema. This means that users can access the protected schema only through predefined administrative roles.
- Only the protected schema account `DVSYS` can issue `ALTER ROLE` statements on predefined administrative roles of the schema. "Oracle Database Vault Roles" on page 11-2 describes Oracle Database Vault administrative roles in detail.
- Only the protected schema account `DVSYS` can grant predefined roles to users along with the `ADMIN OPTION`. This means that a grantee with the `ADMIN OPTION` can grant the role to another user without the `ADMIN OPTION`.
- The `SYS.DBMS_SYS_SQL.PARSE_AS_USER` procedure cannot be used to run SQL statements on behalf of the protected schema `DVSYS`.

**Note:** Database users can grant additional object privileges and roles to the Oracle Database Vault Administrative roles (`DV_ADMIN` and `DV_OWNER`, for example) provided they have sufficient privileges to do so.

## DVF Schema

The `DVF` schema is the owner of the Oracle Database Vault `DBMS_MACSEC_FUNCTION` PL/SQL package, which contains the functions that retrieve factor identities. After you install Oracle Database Vault, the installation process locks the `DVF` account to better secure it. When you create a new factor, Oracle Database Vault creates a new retrieval function for the factor and saves it in this schema.

## Oracle Database Vault Roles

This section describes the default roles Oracle Database Vault provides. It includes the following topics:

- [About Oracle Database Vault Roles](#)
- [DV\\_OWNER Database Vault Owner Role](#)
- [DV\\_ADMIN Database Vault Configuration Administrator Role](#)
- [DV\\_MONITOR Database Vault Monitoring Role](#)
- [DV\\_SECANALYST Database Vault Security Analyst Role](#)
- [DV\\_STREAMS\\_ADMIN Oracle Streams Configuration Role](#)
- [DV\\_PATCH\\_ADMIN Database Vault Patch Upgrades Role](#)
- [DV\\_ACCTMGR Database Vault Account Manager Role](#)
- [DV\\_REALM\\_OWNER Database Vault Realm DBA Role](#)
- [DV\\_REALM\\_RESOURCE Database Vault Application Resource Owner Role](#)
- [DV\\_PUBLIC Database Vault PUBLIC Role](#)

**See Also:**

- "Separation of Duty Guidelines" on page D-1
- "Managing Oracle Database Administrative Accounts" on page D-4

## About Oracle Database Vault Roles

Oracle Database Vault provides a set of roles that are required for managing Oracle Database Vault.

Figure 11–1 illustrates how these roles are designed to implement the first level of separation of duties within the database. How you use these roles depends on the requirements that your company has in place.

**See Also:** *Oracle Database Security Guide* for general guidelines on managing roles

**Figure 11–1** How Oracle Database Vault Roles Are Categorized

<b>Security administrative roles</b>	DV_OWNER DV_ADMIN DV_MONITOR DV_SECANALYST DV_STREAMS_ADMIN DV_PATCH_ADMIN
<b>Account management responsibility role</b>	DV_ACCTMGR
<b>Resource management roles</b>	DV_REALM_OWNER (for application management and granted to realm owners) DV_REALM_RESOURCE (for application access and granted to realm participants)
<b>All responsibilities</b>	DV_PUBLIC (granted by default to all database users to give access to the Oracle Database Vault public functions)

**Note:** You can grant additional object privileges and roles to the Oracle Database Vault roles to extend their scope of privileges. For example, SYSDBA can grant object privileges to an Oracle Database Vault role as long as the object is not in the DVSYS schema or realm.

Table 11–1 summarizes the privileges available with Oracle Database Vault roles. (The DV\_PATCH\_ADMIN and DV\_STREAMS\_ADMIN roles are not included because they have no privileges.)

**Table 11–1 Privileges of Oracle Database Vault Roles**

Privilege	DV_OWNER	DV_ADMIN	DV_MONITOR	DV_SECANALYST	DV_ACCTMGR	DV_REALM_OWNER	DV_REALM_RESOURCE	DV_PUBLIC
DVSYS schema, EXEC	Yes <sup>1</sup>	Yes <sup>2</sup>	No	No	No	No	No	No
DVSYS packages, EXECUTE	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
DVSYS schema, SELECT	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes, on some Database Vault views <sup>3</sup>	No	No	No	No <sup>4</sup>
DVSYS schema, grant privileges on objects	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
DVF schema, EXECUTE	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
DVF schema, SELECT	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
Monitor Database Vault	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No
Run Database Vault reports	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
SYS schema, SELECT	Yes	No	Yes	Yes, on the same system views as DV_OWNER and DV_ADMIN	No	No	No	No
SYSMAN schema, SELECT	No	No	No	Yes, portions of	No	No	No	No
CREATE, ALTER, DROP user accounts and profiles <sup>5</sup>	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No
Manage objects in schemas that define a realm <sup>6</sup>	No	No	No	No	No	Yes <sup>7</sup>	No	No
RESOURCE role privileges <sup>8</sup>	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No

<sup>1</sup> Includes the EXECUTE privilege on all Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL packages.

<sup>2</sup> Includes the EXECUTE privilege on all Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL packages.

<sup>3</sup> DV\_SECANALYST can query DVSYS schema objects through Oracle Database Vault-supplied views only.

<sup>4</sup> DV\_PUBLIC can query DVSYS schema objects through Oracle Database Vault-supplied views only.

<sup>5</sup> This privilege does not include the ability to drop or alter the DVSYS account, nor change the DVSYS password.

<sup>6</sup> This privilege includes ANY privileges, such as CREATE ANY, ALTER ANY, and DROP ANY.

<sup>7</sup> The user with this role also must be the realm participant or owner to exercise his or her system privileges

<sup>8</sup> The RESOURCE role provides the following system privileges: CREATE CLUSTER, CREATE INDEXTYPE, CREATE OPERATOR, CREATE PROCEDURE, CREATE SEQUENCE, CREATE TABLE, CREATE TRIGGER, CREATE TYPE.

## DV\_OWNER Database Vault Owner Role

Use the DV\_OWNER role to manage the Oracle Database Vault roles and its configuration. In this guide, the example account that uses this role is `lbrown_dvowner`.

### Privileges Associated with the DV\_OWNER Role

The DV\_OWNER role has the administrative capabilities that the DV\_ADMIN role provides, and the reporting capabilities the DV\_SECANALYST role provides. It also provides privileges for monitoring Oracle Database Vault. It is created when you install Oracle Database Vault, and has the most privileges on the DVSYS schema. In addition to DV\_



ADMIN role, the DV\_OWNER role has the GRANT ANY ROLE, ADMINISTER DATABASE TRIGGER, and ALTER ANY TRIGGER privileges.

**Tip:** Consider creating a separate, named account for the DV\_OWNER user. This way, if the user is no longer available (for example, he or she left the company), then you can easily recreate this user account and then grant this user the DV\_OWNER role.

To find the full list of system and object privileges associated with the DV\_OWNER role, log in to SQL\*Plus with administrative privileges and then enter the following queries:

```
SELECT TABLE_NAME, OWNER, PRIVILEGE FROM DBA_TAB_PRIVS WHERE GRANTEE = 'DV_OWNER';
SELECT PRIVILEGE FROM DBA_SYS_PRIVS WHERE GRANTEE = 'DV_OWNER';
```

When you install and register Oracle Database Vault, the DV\_OWNER account is created. The user who is granted this role is also granted the ADMIN option and can run any Oracle Database Vault roles (except DV\_ACCTMGR) without the ADMIN OPTION to any account. Users granted this role also can run Oracle Database Vault reports and monitor Oracle Database Vault.

### How Are GRANT and REVOKE Operations Affected by the DV\_OWNER Role?

Anyone with the DV\_OWNER role can grant the DV\_OWNER and DV\_ADMIN roles to another user. The account granted this role can revoke any granted protected schema role from another account. Accounts such as SYS or SYSTEM, with the GRANT ANY ROLE system privilege alone (directly granted or indirectly granted using a role) do not have the right to grant or revoke the DV\_OWNER role to or from any other database account. Note also that a user with the DV\_OWNER role cannot grant or revoke the DV\_ACCTMGR role.

### Managing Password Changes for Users Who Have the DV\_OWNER Role

Before you can change the password for another user who has been granted the DV\_OWNER role, you must revoke the DV\_OWNER role from that user account. However, be cautious about revoking the DV\_OWNER role. At least one user on your site must have this role granted. If another DV\_OWNER user has been granted this role and needs to have his or her password changed, then you can temporarily revoke DV\_OWNER from that user. Note also that if you have been granted the DV\_OWNER role, then you can change your own password without having to revoke the role from yourself.

To change the DV\_OWNER user password:

1. Log in to SQL\*Plus using an account that has been granted the DV\_OWNER role.
2. Revoke the DV\_OWNER role from the user account whose password needs to change.
3. Connect as a user who has been granted the DV\_ACCTMGR role and then change the password for this user.
4. Connect as the DV\_OWNER user and then grant the DV\_OWNER role back to the user whose password you changed.

Alternatively, you can temporarily disable Oracle Database Vault, log on as a user who has been granted the ALTER USER privilege, and then modify the DV\_OWNER user password. Afterward, re-enable Database Vault. See [Appendix B, "Disabling and Enabling Oracle Database Vault,"](#) for more information.

### What Happens When Oracle Database Vault Security Is Disabled?

The granting and revoking of all protected schema roles, including DV\_OWNER, is enforced only by an instance with the Oracle executable linked with DV\_ON, which enables Oracle Database Vault security. When the Oracle executable is linked with DV\_

OFF, then any account with the GRANT ANY ROLE system privilege can perform GRANT and REVOKE operations on protected schema roles.

[Appendix B, "Disabling and Enabling Oracle Database Vault,"](#) explains how to use DV\_ON and DV\_OFF.

## DV\_ADMIN Database Vault Configuration Administrator Role

The DV\_ADMIN role controls the Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL packages.

### Privileges Associated with the DV\_ADMIN Role

The DV\_ADMIN role has the EXECUTE privilege on the DVSYS packages (DBMS\_MACADM, DBMS\_MACSECROLES, and DBMS\_MACUTL). DV\_ADMIN also has the capabilities provided by the DV\_SECANALYST role, which allow the user to run Oracle Database Vault reports and monitor Oracle Database Vault. During installation, the DV\_ADMIN role is granted to the DV\_OWNER role with the ADMIN OPTION during installation.

To find the full list of system and object privileges associated with the DV\_ADMIN role, log in to SQL\*Plus with administrative privileges and then enter the following queries:

```
SELECT TABLE_NAME, OWNER, PRIVILEGE FROM DBA_TAB_PRIVS WHERE GRANTEE = 'DV_ADMIN';
SELECT PRIVILEGE FROM DBA_SYS_PRIVS WHERE GRANTEE = 'DV_ADMIN';
```

### How Are GRANT and REVOKE Operations Affected by the DV\_ADMIN Role?

Accounts such as SYS or SYSTEM, with the GRANT ANY ROLE system privilege alone do not have the rights to grant or revoke DV\_ADMIN from any other database account. The user with the DV\_OWNER or DV\_ADMIN role can grant or revoke this role to and from any database account.

### Managing Password Changes for Users Who Have the DV\_ADMIN Role

Before you can change the password for a user who has been granted the DV\_ADMIN role, you must revoke the DV\_ADMIN role from this account. If you have been granted the DV\_ADMIN role, then you can change your own password without having to revoke the role from yourself.

To change the DV\_ADMIN user password:

1. Log in to SQL\*Plus using an account that has been granted the DV\_OWNER role.
2. Revoke the DV\_ADMIN role from the user account whose password needs to change.
3. Connect as a user who has been granted the DV\_ACCTMGR role and then change the password for this user.
4. Connect as the DV\_OWNER user and then grant the DV\_ADMIN role back to the user whose password you changed.

Alternatively, you can temporarily disable Oracle Database Vault, log on as a user who has been granted the ALTER USER privilege, and then modify the DV\_ADMIN user password. Afterward, re-enable Database Vault. See [Appendix B, "Disabling and Enabling Oracle Database Vault,"](#) for more information.

### What Happens When Oracle Database Vault Security Is Disabled?

The granting and revoking of protected schema roles, including DV\_ADMIN, is enforced only by an instance with the Oracle executable linked with DV\_ON, which enables Oracle Database Vault security features. When the Oracle executable is linked with DV\_OFF, then any account with the GRANT ANY ROLE system privilege can perform GRANT and REVOKE operations on protected schema roles.

[Appendix B, "Disabling and Enabling Oracle Database Vault,"](#) explains how to use DV\_ON.

## DV\_MONITOR Database Vault Monitoring Role

The DV\_MONITOR role enables the Oracle Enterprise Manager Grid Control agent to monitor Oracle Database Vault for attempted violations and configuration issues with realm or command rule definitions. This enables Grid Control to read and propagate realm definitions and command rule definitions between databases.

### Privileges Associated with the DV\_MONITOR Role

There are no system privileges associated with the DV\_MONITOR role, but it does have some the SELECT privilege on some SYS and DVSYS objects. To find the full list of DV\_MONITOR object privileges, log in to SQL\*Plus with administrative privileges and then enter the following query:

```
SELECT TABLE_NAME, OWNER, PRIVILEGE FROM DBA_TAB_PRIVS WHERE GRANTEE = 'DV_MONITOR';
```

### How Are GRANT and REVOKE Operations Affected by the DV\_MONITOR Role?

By default, this role is granted to the DV\_OWNER role, the DV\_ADMIN role, the DV\_SECANALYST role, and the DBSNMP user. Only a user who has been granted the DV\_OWNER privilege can grant or revoke the DV\_MONITOR role to another user. You cannot grant this role with the ADMIN option.

### What Happens When Oracle Database Vault Security Is Disabled?

The granting and revoking of protected schema roles are enforced only by an instance with the Oracle executable linked with DV\_ON, which enables the Oracle Database Vault security features. When the Oracle executable is linked with DV\_OFF, then any account with the GRANT ANY ROLE system privilege can perform GRANT and REVOKE operations on protected schema roles.

[Appendix B, "Disabling and Enabling Oracle Database Vault,"](#) shows how to use DV\_ON and DV\_OFF.

#### See Also:

- [Chapter 16, "Monitoring Oracle Database Vault"](#)
- [Chapter A, "Auditing Oracle Database Vault"](#)

## DV\_SECANALYST Database Vault Security Analyst Role

Use the DV\_SECANALYST role to run Oracle Database Vault reports and monitor Oracle Database Vault. This role is also used for database-related reports. In addition, this role enables you to check the DVSYS configuration by querying the DVSYS views described in ["Oracle Database Vault Data Dictionary Views"](#) on page 11-15.

### Privileges Associated with the DV\_SECANALYST Role

There are no system privileges associated with the DV\_SECANALYST role, but it does have the SELECT privilege for the DVSYS object schema and portions of the SYS and SYSMAN schema objects for reporting on DVSYS- and DVF-related entities. To find the full list of DV\_SECANALYST object privileges, log in to SQL\*Plus with administrative privileges and then enter the following query:

```
SELECT TABLE_NAME, OWNER, PRIVILEGE FROM DBA_TAB_PRIVS WHERE GRANTEE = 'DV_SECANALYST';
```

### How Are GRANT and REVOKE Operations Affected by the DV\_SECANALYST Role?

Any account, such as SYS or SYSTEM, with the GRANT ANY ROLE system privilege alone does not have the rights to grant this role to or revoke this role from any other database account. Only the user with the DV\_OWNER role can grant or revoke this role to and from another user.

### Managing Password Changes for Users Who Have the DV\_SECANALYST Role

Before you can change the password for a user who has been granted the DV\_SECANALYST role, you must revoke the DV\_SECANALYST role from this account. If you have been granted the DV\_SECANALYST role, then you can change your own password without having to revoke the role from yourself.

To change the DV\_SECANALYST user password:

1. Log in to SQL\*Plus using an account that has been granted the DV\_OWNER role.
2. Revoke the DV\_SECANALYST role from the user account whose password needs to change.
3. Connect as a user who has been granted the DV\_ACCTMGR role and then change the password for this user.
4. Connect as the DV\_OWNER user and then grant the DV\_SECANALYST role back to the user whose password you changed.

Alternatively, you can temporarily disable Oracle Database Vault, log on as a user who has been granted the ALTER USER privilege, and then modify the DV\_SECANALYST user password. Afterward, re-enable Database Vault. See [Appendix B, "Disabling and Enabling Oracle Database Vault,"](#) for more information.

### What Happens When Oracle Database Vault Security Is Disabled?

The granting and revoking of protected schema roles are enforced only by an instance with the Oracle executable linked with DV\_ON, which enables the Oracle Database Vault security features. When the Oracle executable is linked with DV\_OFF, then any account with the GRANT ANY ROLE system privilege can perform GRANT and REVOKE operations on protected schema roles.

[Appendix B, "Disabling and Enabling Oracle Database Vault,"](#) shows how to use DV\_ON and DV\_OFF.

## DV\_STREAMS\_ADMIN Oracle Streams Configuration Role

Grant the DV\_STREAMS\_ADMIN role to any user who is responsible for configuring Oracle Streams in an Oracle Database Vault environment. This enables the management of Oracle Streams processes to be tightly controlled by Database Vault, but does not change or restrict the way an administrator would normally configure Oracle Streams.

### Privileges Associated with the DV\_STREAMS\_ADMIN Role

There are no system privileges associated with the DV\_STREAMS\_ADMIN role, but it does have the SELECT privilege on DVSYS objects. To find the full list of DV\_STREAMS\_ADMIN object privileges, log in to SQL\*Plus with administrative privileges and then enter the following query:

```
SELECT TABLE_NAME, OWNER, PRIVILEGE FROM DBA_TAB_PRIVS WHERE GRANTEE = 'DV_STREAMS_ADMIN';
```

Be aware that the `DV_STREAMS_ADMIN` role does not provide a sufficient set of database privileges for configuring Oracle Streams. Rather, the `DV_STREAMS_ADMIN` role is an additional requirement (that is, in addition to the privileges that Oracle Streams currently requires) for database administrators to configure Oracle Streams in an Oracle Database Vault environment.

### **How Are GRANT and REVOKE Operations Affected by the DV\_STREAMS\_ADMIN Role?**

You cannot grant the `DV_STREAMS_ADMIN` role with `ADMIN OPTION`. Only users who have been granted the `DV_OWNER` role can grant or revoke the `DV_STREAMS_ADMIN` role to or from other users.

### **What Happens When Oracle Database Vault Security Is Disabled?**

The granting and revoking of protected schema roles are enforced only by an instance with the Oracle executable linked with `DV_ON`, which enables the Oracle Database Vault security features. When the Oracle executable is linked with `DV_OFF`, then any account with the `GRANT ANY ROLE` system privilege can perform `GRANT` and `REVOKE` operations on protected schema roles.

[Appendix B, "Disabling and Enabling Oracle Database Vault,"](#) shows how to use `DV_ON` and `DV_OFF`.

## **DV\_PATCH\_ADMIN Database Vault Patch Upgrades Role**

Temporarily grant the `DV_PATCH_ADMIN` role to any database administrator who is responsible for performing database patching or upgrades. After the patch or upgrade operation is complete, you should immediately revoke this role.

### **Privileges Associated with the DV\_PATCH\_ADMIN Role**

This role does not provide access to any secured data.

### **How Are GRANT and REVOKE Operations Affected by the DV\_OWNER Role?**

Only a user who has the `DV_OWNER` role can grant or revoke the `DV_PATCH_ADMIN` role to and from another user. You cannot grant the `DV_PATCH_ADMIN` role with the `ADMIN` option.

### **What Happens When Oracle Database Vault Security Is Disabled?**

The granting and revoking of protected schema roles are enforced only by an instance with the Oracle executable linked with `DV_ON`, which enables the Oracle Database Vault security features. When the Oracle executable is linked with `DV_OFF`, then any account with the `GRANT ANY ROLE` system privilege can perform `GRANT` and `REVOKE` operations on protected schema roles.

[Appendix B, "Disabling and Enabling Oracle Database Vault,"](#) shows how to use `DV_ON` and `DV_OFF`.

## **DV\_ACCTMGR Database Vault Account Manager Role**

Use the `DV_ACCTMGR` role to create and maintain database accounts and database profiles. In this manual, the example `DV_ACCTMGR` role is assigned to a user named `amalcolm_dvacctmgr`.

### Privileges Associated with the DV\_ACCTMGR Role

A user who has been granted this role can use the CREATE, ALTER, and DROP statements for users or profiles. However, a person who has been granted the DV\_ACCTMGR role cannot perform the following operations:

- ALTER or DROP statements on the DVSYS account
- ALTER or DROP statements on users who have been granted the DV\_ADMIN, DV\_OWNER, DV\_SECANALYST, and DV\_MONITOR roles
- Change passwords for users who have been granted the DV\_ADMIN, DV\_OWNER, DV\_SECANALYST, and DV\_MONITOR roles

To find the full list of system and object privileges associated with the DV\_ACCTMGR role, log in to SQL\*Plus with administrative privileges and then enter the following queries:

```
SELECT TABLE_NAME, OWNER, PRIVILEGE FROM DBA_TAB_PRIVS WHERE GRANTEE = 'DV_
ACCTMGR' ;
SELECT PRIVILEGE FROM DBA_SYS_PRIVS WHERE GRANTEE = 'DV_ACCTMGR' ;
```

#### Tips:

- Oracle recommends that you add the user who has the DV\_ACCTMGR role to the data dictionary realm. See ["Step 1: Adding the SYSTEM User to the Data Dictionary Realm"](#) on page 3-6 for an example.
- If you want the DV\_ACCTMGR user to be able to grant other users ANY privileges, then log in as user SYS with the SYSDBA privilege and grant this user the GRANT ANY PRIVILEGE privilege.
- Consider creating a separate, named account for the DV\_ACCTMGR user. This way, if this user forgets his or her password, you can log in as the original DV\_ACCTMGR account when you recreate the user's password. Otherwise, you must disable Oracle Database Vault, log in as SYS or SYSTEM to recreate the password, and then re-enable Database Vault.

### How Are GRANT and REVOKE Operations Affected by the DV\_ACCTMGR Role?

Any account, such as SYS or SYSTEM, with the GRANT ANY ROLE system privilege alone does not have the rights to grant this role to or revoke this role from any other database account. The account with the DV\_ACCTMGR role and the ADMIN OPTION can grant this role without the ADMIN OPTION to any given database account and revoke this role from another account.

### What Happens When Oracle Database Vault Security Is Disabled?

The granting and revoking of protected schema roles are enforced only by an instance with the Oracle executable linked with DV\_ON, which enables Oracle Database Vault. When the Oracle executable is linked with DV\_OFF, then any account with the GRANT ANY ROLE privilege can perform GRANT and REVOKE operations on protected schema roles.

[Appendix B, "Disabling and Enabling Oracle Database Vault,"](#) shows how to use DV\_ON and DV\_OFF.

## DV\_REALM\_OWNER Database Vault Realm DBA Role

Use the DV\_REALM\_OWNER role to manage database objects in multiple schemas that define a realm. Grant this role to the database account owner who is responsible for



managing one or more schema database accounts within a realm and the roles associated with the realm.

### Privileges Associated with the DV\_REALM\_OWNER Role

A user who has been granted this role can use powerful system privileges like `CREATE ANY`, `ALTER ANY`, and `DROP ANY` within the realm. However, before this user can exercise these privileges, you must make this user either a participant or an owner for the realm. See ["Defining Realm Authorization"](#) on page 4-5 for instructions.

There are no object privileges granted to the `DV_REALM_OWNER` role, but it does have some system privileges. To find the full list of `DV_REALM_OWNER` system privileges, log in to SQL\*Plus with administrative privileges and enter the following query:

```
SELECT PRIVILEGE FROM DBA_SYS_PRIVS WHERE GRANTEE = 'DV_REALM_OWNER';
```

### How Are GRANT and REVOKE Operations Affected by the DV\_REALM\_OWNER Role?

The realm owner of the Oracle Data Dictionary realm, such as `SYS`, can grant this role to any given database account or role. Note that though this role has system privilege grants that `SYS` controls, it does not have the `DV_OWNER` or `DV_ADMIN` roles.

If you want to attach this role to a specific realm, then you must assign it to an account or business-related role, then authorize that account or role in the realm.

### What Happens When Oracle Database Vault Security Is Disabled?

The granting and revoking of protected schema roles are enforced only by an instance with the Oracle executable linked with `DV_ON`, which enables the Oracle Database Vault security features. When the Oracle executable is linked with `DV_OFF`, then any account with the `GRANT ANY ROLE` system privilege can perform `GRANT` and `REVOKE` operations on protected schema roles.

[Appendix B, "Disabling and Enabling Oracle Database Vault,"](#) shows how to use `DV_ON` and `DV_OFF`.

## DV\_REALM\_RESOURCE Database Vault Application Resource Owner Role

Use the `DV_REALM_RESOURCE` role for operations such as creating tables, views, triggers, synonyms, and other objects that a realm would typically use.

### Privileges Associated with the DV\_REALM\_RESOURCE Role

The `DV_REALM_RESOURCE` role provides the same system privileges as the Oracle `RESOURCE` role. In addition, both `CREATE SYNONYM` and `CREATE VIEW` are granted to this role.

There are no object privileges granted to the `DV_REALM_RESOURCE` role, but it does have some system privileges. To find the full list of `DV_REALM_RESOURCE` system privileges, log in to SQL\*Plus with administrative privileges and enter the following query:

```
SELECT PRIVILEGE FROM DBA_SYS_PRIVS WHERE GRANTEE = 'DV_REALM_RESOURCE';
```

Though this role has system privilege grants that `SYS` controls, it does not have the `DV_OWNER` or `DV_ADMIN` role.

### How Are GRANT and REVOKE Operations Affected by the DV\_REALM\_RESOURCE Role?

You can grant the `DV_REALM_RESOURCE` role to a database account that owns database tables, objects, triggers, views, procedures, and so on that are used to support any

database application. This is a role designed for a schema type database account. The realm owner of the Oracle Data Dictionary realm, such as `SYS`, can grant this role to any database account or role.

### What Happens When Oracle Database Vault Security Is Disabled?

The granting and revoking of protected schema roles are enforced only by an instance with the Oracle executable linked with `DV_ON`, which enables the Oracle Database Vault security features. When the Oracle executable is linked with `DV_OFF`, then any account with the `GRANT ANY ROLE` system privilege can perform `GRANT` and `REVOKE` operations on protected schema roles.

[Appendix B, "Disabling and Enabling Oracle Database Vault,"](#) shows how to use `DV_ON` and `DV_OFF`.

## DV\_PUBLIC Database Vault PUBLIC Role

Use the `DV_PUBLIC` role to grant privileges on specific objects in the `DVSYS` schema. (Remember that in a default installation, the `DVSYS` schema is locked.)

### Privileges Associated with the DV\_PUBLIC Role

The following Oracle Database Vault objects are accessible through `DV_PUBLIC`:

- PL/SQL procedures and functions, described in ["Oracle Database Vault Run-Time PL/SQL Procedures and Functions"](#) on page 15-1. These enable access control and Oracle Label Security processing in an Oracle database.
- PL/SQL factor functions, described in ["Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Factor Functions"](#) on page 15-6. For the `DVF` schema, these are functions for each factor defined. These are functions that you can use in rule sets to inspect the SQL statement that you want the rule set to protect.
- `DVSYS.DBMS_MACSEC_ROLES` package, described in [Chapter 13, "Using the DVSYS.DBMS\\_MACSEC\\_ROLES Package."](#) This package enables you to check the authorization for a user or to set an Oracle Database Vault secure application role.
- `DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL` package, described in [Chapter 14, "Using the DVSYS.DBMS\\_MACUTL Package."](#) This package is a set of general purpose utility functions that you can use throughout the application code you write for Oracle Database Vault.

There are no system privileges granted to the `DV_PUBLIC` role, but it does have some object privileges. To find the full list of `DV_PUBLIC` object privileges, log in to `SQL*Plus` with administrative privileges and enter the following query:

```
SELECT TABLE_NAME, OWNER, PRIVILEGE FROM DBA_TAB_PRIVS WHERE GRANTEE = 'DV_
PUBLIC' ;
```

### How Are GRANT and REVOKE Operations Affected by the DV\_PUBLIC Role?

Oracle Database Vault does not enable you to directly grant object privileges in the `DVSYS` schema to `PUBLIC`. You must grant the object privilege on the `DVSYS` schema object the `DV_PUBLIC` role, and then grant `DV_PUBLIC` to `PUBLIC`. However, if you do this, it is important that you do not add more object privileges to the `PUBLIC` role. Doing so may undermine Oracle Database Vault security.

### What Happens When Oracle Database Vault Security Is Disabled?

The granting and revoking of protected schema roles are enforced only by an instance with the Oracle executable linked with `DV_ON`, which enables the Oracle Database Vault security features. When the Oracle executable is linked with `DV_OFF`, then any account



with the `GRANT ANY ROLE` system privilege can perform `GRANT` and `REVOKE` operations on protected schema roles.

[Appendix B, "Disabling and Enabling Oracle Database Vault,"](#) shows how to use `DV_ON` and `DV_OFF`.

## Oracle Database Vault Accounts

Oracle Database Vault prompts for two accounts during installation: Oracle Database Vault Owner and Oracle Database Vault Account Manager. You must supply an account name and password for the Oracle Database Vault Owner account during installation. Creating an Oracle Database Vault Account Manager is optional.

The Oracle Database Vault Owner account is granted the `DV_OWNER` role. This account can manage Oracle Database Vault roles and configuration. (See "[DV\\_OWNER Database Vault Owner Role](#)" on page 11-4 for detailed information about this role.)

The Oracle Database Vault Account Manager account is granted the `DV_ACCTMGR` role. This account is used to manage database user accounts to facilitate separation of duties. (See "[DV\\_ACCTMGR Database Vault Account Manager Role](#)" on page 11-9 for detailed information about this role.)

If you choose not to create the Oracle Database Vault Account Manager account during installation, then both the `DV_OWNER` and `DV_ACCTMGR` roles are granted to the Oracle Database Vault Owner user account.

**Tip:** Oracle recommends that you grant the `DV_OWNER` and `DV_ACCTMGR` roles to existing user accounts. However, continue to maintain the original `DV_OWNER` and `DV_ACCTMGR` user accounts that you created during installation. This way, for example, if a user who has been granted one of these roles forgets his or her password, then you can log in as the original Database Vault Account Manager user and then recreate the password without having to disable Oracle Database Vault.

[Table 11–2](#) lists the Oracle Database Vault database accounts that are needed in addition to the accounts that you create during installation.

**Table 11–2 Database Accounts Used by Oracle Database Vault**

Database Account	Roles and Privileges	Description
DVSYSD	Several system and object privileges are provided to support Oracle Database Vault. The ability to create a session with this account is revoked at the end of the installation, and the account is locked.	Owner of Oracle Database Vault schema and related objects
DVDF	A limited set of system privileges are provided to support Oracle Database Vault. The ability to create a session with this account is revoked at the end of the installation, and the account is locked.	Owner of the Oracle Database Vault functions that are created to retrieve factor identities

**Table 11–2 (Cont.) Database Accounts Used by Oracle Database Vault**

Database Account	Roles and Privileges	Description
LBACSYS	<p>This account is created when you install Oracle Label Security by using the Oracle Universal Installer custom installation option. (It is not created when you install Oracle Database Vault.) Do not drop or re-create this account.</p> <p>If you plan to integrate a factor with an Oracle Label Security policy, you must assign this user as the owner of the realm that uses this factor. See <a href="#">"Using Oracle Database Vault Factors with Oracle Label Security Policies"</a> on page 9-4 for more information.</p>	Owner of the Oracle Label Security schema

You can create different database accounts to implement the separation of duties requirements for Oracle Database Vault. [Table 11–3](#) lists some model database accounts that can act as a guide. (The accounts listed in [Table 11–3](#) serve as a guide to implementing Oracle Database Vault roles. These are not actual accounts that are created during installation.)

**Table 11–3 Model Oracle Database Vault Database Accounts**

Database Account	Roles and Privileges	Description
EBROWN	DV_OWNER (with DV_ADMIN and DV_SECANALYST)	<p>Account that is the realm owner for the DVSYS realm. This account can:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Run DVSYS packages</li> <li>■ Have EXECUTE privileges in the DVSYS schema</li> <li>■ Grant privileges on the DVSYS schema objects</li> <li>■ Select objects in the schema</li> <li>■ Monitor Oracle Database Vault activity</li> <li>■ Run reports on the Oracle Database Vault configuration</li> </ul>
JGODFREY	DV_ACCTMGR	<p>Account for administration of database accounts and profiles. This account can:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Create, alter, or drop users</li> <li>■ Create, alter, or drop profiles</li> <li>■ Grant the DV_ACCTMGR role</li> <li>■ Grant the CONNECT role</li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b> This account cannot create roles, or grant the RESOURCE or DBA roles.</p>
RLAYTON	DV_ADMIN (with DV_SECANALYST)	<p>Account to serve as the access control administrator. This account can:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Execute DVSYS packages</li> <li>■ Have EXECUTE privileges in the DVSYS schema</li> <li>■ Monitor Oracle Database Vault activity</li> <li>■ Run reports on the Oracle Database Vault configuration</li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b> This account cannot directly update the DVSYS tables.</p>

**Table 11–3 (Cont.) Model Oracle Database Vault Database Accounts**

Database Account	Roles and Privileges	Description
PSMYTHE	DV_SECANALYST	Account for running Oracle Database Vault reports in the Oracle Database Vault Administration application.

## Oracle Database Vault Data Dictionary Views

Oracle Database Vault provides a set of DBA-style data dictionary views that can be accessed through the DV\_SECANALYST role or the DV\_ADMIN role. (Alternatively, you can run reports on Oracle Database Vault. See [Chapter 17, "Oracle Database Vault Reports,"](#) for more information.) These views provide access to the various underlying Oracle Database Vault tables in the DVSYS and LBACSYS schemas without exposing the primary and foreign key columns that may be present. These views are intended for the database administrative user to report on the state of the Oracle Database Vault configuration without having to perform the joins required to get the labels for codes that are stored in the core tables or from the related tables.

This section contains:

- [DBA\\_DV\\_CODE View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_COMMAND\\_RULE View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_FACTOR View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_FACTOR\\_LINK View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_FACTOR\\_TYPE View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_IDENTITY View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_IDENTITY\\_MAP View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_MAC\\_POLICY View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_MAC\\_POLICY\\_FACTOR View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_POLICY\\_LABEL View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_PUB\\_PRIVS View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_REALM View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_REALM\\_AUTH View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_REALM\\_OBJECT View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_ROLE View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_RULE View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_RULE\\_SET View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_RULE\\_SET\\_RULE View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_USER\\_PRIVS View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_USER\\_PRIVS\\_ALL View](#)

## DBA\_DV\_CODE View

The DBA\_DV\_CODE data dictionary view lists generic lookup codes for the user interface, error messages, constraint checking, and so on. These codes are used for the user interface, views, and for validating input in a translatable fashion.

For example:

```
SELECT CODE, VALUE FROM DVSYS.DBA_DV_CODE WHERE CODE_GROUP = 'BOOLEAN';
```

Output similar to the following appears:

CODE	VALUE
Y	True
N	False

Column	Datatype	Null	Description
CODE_GROUP	VARCHAR(30)	NOT NULL	<p>Displays one of the following code groups:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>AUDIT_EVENTS</b>: Contains the action numbers and action names that are used for the custom event audit trail records</li> <li>■ <b>BOOLEAN</b>: A simple Yes or No or True or False lookup</li> <li>■ <b>DB_OBJECT_TYPE</b>: The database object types that can be used for realm objects and command authorizations</li> <li>■ <b>SQL_CMDS</b>: The DDL commands that can be protected through command rules</li> <li>■ <b>FACTOR_AUDIT</b>: The auditing options for factor retrieval processing</li> <li>■ <b>FACTOR_EVALUATE</b>: The evaluation options (by session or by access) for factor retrieval</li> <li>■ <b>FACTOR_FAIL</b>: The options for propagating errors when a factor retrieval method fails</li> <li>■ <b>FACTOR_IDENTIFY</b>: The options for determining how a factor identifier is resolved (for example, by method or by factors)</li> <li>■ <b>FACTOR_LABEL</b>: The options for determining how a factor identifier is labeled in the session establishment phase</li> <li>■ <b>LABEL_ALG</b>: The algorithms that can be used to determine the maximum session label for a database session for each policy. See <a href="#">Table 12-57, "Oracle Label Security Merge Algorithm Codes"</a> on page 12-50 for a listing of the Oracle Label Security merge algorithm codes.</li> <li>■ <b>OPERATORS</b>: The Boolean operators that can be used for identity maps</li> <li>■ <b>REALM_AUDIT</b>: The options for auditing realm access or realm violations</li> <li>■ <b>REALM_OPTION</b>: The options for ownership of a realm</li> <li>■ <b>RULESET_AUDIT</b>: The options for auditing rule set execution or rule set errors</li> <li>■ <b>RULESET_EVALUATE</b>: The options for determining the success or failure of a rule set based on all associated rules being true or any associated rule being true</li> <li>■ <b>RULESET_EVENT</b>: The options to invoke a custom event handler when a rule set evaluates to Succeeds or Fails</li> <li>■ <b>RULESET_FAIL</b>: The options to determine the run-time visibility of a rule set failing</li> </ul>
CODE	VARCHAR(30)	NOT NULL	Boolean code used; either Y (yes) or N (no).
VALUE	VARCHAR(4000)		Boolean value used; either True if the Boolean code is Y or False if the Boolean code is N.
LANGUAGE	VARCHAR(3)	NOT NULL	Language for this installation of Oracle Database Vault. See <a href="#">"Syntax for Using DVCA -action addlanguages"</a> on page C-9 for a list of supported languages.
DESCRIPTION	VARCHAR(1024)		Brief description of the code group.

## DBA\_DV\_COMMAND\_RULE View

The DBA\_DV\_COMMAND\_RULE data dictionary view lists the SQL statements that are protected by command rules. See [Chapter 6, "Configuring Command Rules,"](#) for more information about command rules.

For example:

```
SELECT COMMAND, RULE_SET_NAME FROM DVSYS.DBA_DV_COMMAND_RULE;
```

Output similar to the following appears:

```
COMMAND          RULE_SET_NAME
-----
GRANT             Can Grant VPD Administration
REVOKE           Can Grant VPD Administration
ALTER SYSTEM     Allow System Parameters
ALTER USER       Can Maintain Own Account
CREATE USER      Can Maintain Account/Profiles
DROP USER        Can Maintain Account/Profiles
CREATE PROFILE   Can Maintain Account/Profiles
DROP PROFILE     Can Maintain Account/Profiles
ALTER PROFILE    Can Maintain Account/Profiles
```

Column	Datatype	Null	Description
COMMAND	VARCHAR(30)	NOT NULL	Name of the command rule. For a list of default command rules, see <a href="#">Default Command Rules</a> on page 6-2.
RULE_SET_NAME	VARCHAR(90)	NOT NULL	Name of the rule set associated with this command rule.
OBJECT_OWNER	VARCHAR(30)	NOT NULL	The owner of the object that the command rule affects.
OBJECT_NAME	VARCHAR(128)	NOT NULL	The name of the database object the command rule affects (for example, a database table).
ENABLED	VARCHAR(1)	NOT NULL	Y indicates the command rule is enabled; N indicates it is disabled.

## DBA\_DV\_FACTOR View

The DBA\_DV\_FACTOR data dictionary view lists the existing factors in the current database instance.

For example:

```
SELECT NAME, GET_EXPR FROM DVSYS.DBA_DV_FACTOR WHERE NAME = 'Session_User';
```

Output similar to the following appears:

```
NAME          GET_EXPR
-----
Session_User  UPPER(SYS_CONTEXT('USERENV', 'SESSION_USER'))
```

### Related Views

- [DBA\\_DV\\_FACTOR\\_LINK View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_FACTOR\\_TYPE View](#)

Column	Datatype	Null	Description
NAME	VARCHAR2(30)	NOT NULL	Name of the factor. See <a href="#">"Default Factors"</a> on page 7-2 for a list of default factors.

Column	Datatype	Null	Description
DESCRIPTION	VARCHAR2 (4000)		Description of the factor.
FACTOR_TYPE_NAME	VARCHAR2 (90)	NOT NULL	Category of the factor, which is used to classify the purpose of the factor.
ASSIGN_RULE_SET_NAME	VARCHAR2 (90)		Rule set used to control the identify of the factor.
GET_EXPR	VARCHAR2 (1024)		PL/SQL expression that retrieves the identity of a factor.
VALIDATE_EXPR	VARCHAR2 (1024)		PL/SQL expression used to validate the identify of the factor. It returns a Boolean value.
IDENTIFIED_BY	NUMBER	NOT NULL	Determines the identity of a factor, based on the expression listed in the GET_EXPR column. Possible values are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 0: By constant</li> <li>■ 1: By method</li> <li>■ 2: By factors</li> </ul>
IDENTIFIED_BY_MEANING	VARCHAR2 (4000)		Provides a text description for the corresponding value in the IDENTIFIED_BY column. Possible values are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ By Constant: If IDENTIFIED_COLUMN is 0</li> <li>■ By Method: If IDENTIFIED_COLUMN is 1</li> <li>■ By Factors: If IDENTIFIED_COLUMN is 2</li> </ul>
LABELED_BY	NUMBER	NOT NULL	Determines the labeling the factor: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 0: Labels the identities for the factor directly from the labels associated with an Oracle Label Security policy</li> <li>■ 1: Derives the factor identity label from the labels of its child factor identities.</li> </ul>
LABELED_BY_MEANING	VARCHAR2 (4000)		Provides a text description for the corresponding value in the LABELED_BY column. Possible values are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ By Self: If LABELED_BY column is 0</li> <li>■ By Factors: If LABELED_BY column is 1</li> </ul>
EVAL_OPTIONS	NUMBER	NOT NULL	Determines how the factor is evaluated when the user logs on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 0: When the database session is created</li> <li>■ 1: Each time the factor is accessed</li> <li>■ 2: On start-up</li> </ul>
EVAL_OPTIONS_MEANING	VARCHAR2 (4000)		Provides a text description for the corresponding value in the EVAL_OPTIONS column. Possible values are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ For Session: If EVAL_OPTIONS is 0</li> <li>■ By Access: If EVAL_OPTIONS is 1</li> <li>■ On Startup: If EVAL_OPTIONS is 2</li> </ul>

Column	Datatype	Null	Description
AUDIT_OPTIONS	NUMBER	NOT NULL	Option for auditing the factor if you want to generate a custom Oracle Database Vault audit record. Possible values are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 0: No auditing set</li> <li>■ 1: Always audits</li> <li>■ 2: Audits if <code>get_expr</code> returns an error</li> <li>■ 4: Audits if <code>get_expr</code> is null</li> <li>■ 8: Audits if the validation procedure returns an error</li> <li>■ 16: Audits if the validation procedure is false</li> <li>■ 32: Audits if there is no trust level set</li> <li>■ 64: Audits if the trust level is negative.</li> </ul>
FAIL_OPTIONS	NUMBER	NOT NULL	Options for reporting factor errors: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 1: Shows an error message.</li> <li>■ 2: Does not show an error message.</li> </ul>
FAIL_OPTIONS_MEANING	VARCHAR2(4000)		Provides a text description for the corresponding value in the <code>FAIL_OPTIONS</code> column. Possible values are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Show Error Message</li> <li>■ Do Not Show Error Message:</li> </ul>

## DBA\_DV\_FACTOR\_LINK View

The `DBA_DV_FACTOR_LINK` data dictionary view shows the relationships of each factor whose identity is determined by the association of child factors. The view contains one entry for each parent factor and child factor. You can use this view to resolve the relationships from the factor links to identity maps.

For example:

```
SELECT PARENT_FACTOR_NAME, CHILD_FACTOR_NAME FROM DVSYS.DBA_DV_FACTOR_LINK;
```

Output similar to the following appears:

```
PARENT_FACTOR_NAME          CHILD_FACTOR_NAME
-----
Domain                      Database_Instance
Domain                      Database_IP
Domain                      Database_Hostname
```

### Related Views

- [DBA\\_DV\\_FACTOR View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_FACTOR\\_TYPE View](#)

Column	Datatype	Null	Description
PARENT_FACTOR_NAME	VARCHAR(30)	NOT NULL	Name of the parent factor.
CHILD_FACTOR_NAME	VARCHAR(30)	NOT NULL	Name of the child factor of the parent factor.



Column	Datatype	Null	Description
LABEL_IND	VARCHAR(1)	NOT NULL	Indicates whether the child factor that is linked to the parent factor contributes to the label of the parent factor in an Oracle Label Security integration. Possible values are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Y (for Yes)</li> <li>▪ N (for No)</li> </ul>

## DBA\_DV\_FACTOR\_TYPE View

The DBA\_DV\_FACTOR\_TYPE data dictionary view lists the names and descriptions of factor types used in the system.

For example:

```
SELECT * FROM DVSYS.DBA_DV_FACTOR_TYPE WHERE NAME = 'Hostname';
```

Output similar to the following appears:

```
NAME          DESCRIPTION
-----
Time          Time-based factor
```

### Related Views

- [DBA\\_DV\\_FACTOR View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_FACTOR\\_LINK View](#)

Column	Datatype	Null	Description
NAME	VARCHAR(90)	NOT NULL	Name of the factor type.
DESCRIPTION	VARCHAR(1024)		Description of the factor type.

## DBA\_DV\_IDENTITY View

The DBA\_DV\_IDENTITY data dictionary view lists the identities for each factor.

For example:

```
SELECT * FROM DVSYS.DBA_DV_IDENTITY WHERE VALUE = 'GLOBAL SHARED';
```

Output similar to the following appears, assuming you have created only one factor identity:

```
FACTOR_NAME          VALUE          TRUST_LEVEL
-----
Identification_Type  GLOBAL SHARED  1
```

### Related Views

- [DBA\\_DV\\_FACTOR View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_IDENTITY\\_MAP View](#)

Column	Datatype	Null	Description
FACTOR_NAME	VARCHAR(30)	NOT NULL	Name of the factor.
VALUE	VARCHAR(1024)	NOT NULL	Value of the factor.

Column	Datatype	Null	Description
TRUST_LEVEL	NUMBER	NOT NULL	Number that indicates the magnitude of trust relative to other identities for the same factor.

## DBA\_DV\_IDENTITY\_MAP View

The `DBA_DV_IDENTITY_MAP` data dictionary view lists the mappings for each factor identity. The view includes mapping factors that are identified by other factors to combinations of parent-child factor links. For each factor, the maps are joined by the `OR` operation, and for different factors, the maps are joined by the `AND` operation.

You can use this view to resolve the identity for factors that are identified by other factors (for example, a domain) or for factors that have continuous domains (for example, Age or Temperature).

For example:

```
SELECT FACTOR_NAME, IDENTITY_VALUE FROM DVSYS.DBA_DV_IDENTITY_MAP;
```

Output similar to the following appears:

```
FACTOR_NAME      IDENTITY_VALUE
-----
Sector2_Program  Accounting-Sensitive
```

### Related Views

- [DBA\\_DV\\_FACTOR View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_IDENTITY View](#)

Column	Datatype	Null	Description
FACTOR_NAME	VARCHAR(30)	NOT NULL	Factor the identity map is for.
IDENTITY_VALUE	VARCHAR(1024)	NOT NULL	Value the factor assumes if the identity map evaluates to <code>TRUE</code> .
OPERATION_VALUE	VARCHAR(4000)		Relational operator for the identity map (for example, <code>&lt;</code> , <code>&gt;</code> , <code>=</code> , and so on)
OPERAND1	VARCHAR(1024)		Left operand for the relational operator; refers to the low value you enter.
OPERAND2	VARCHAR(1024)		Right operand for the relational operator; refers to the high value you enter.
PARENT_FACTOR_NAME	VARCHAR(30)		The parent factor link to which the map is related.
CHILD_FACTOR_NAME	VARCHAR(30)		The child factor link to which the map is related.
LABEL_IND	VARCHAR(1)		Indicates whether the child factor being linked to the parent factor contributes to the label of the parent factor in an Oracle Label Security integration. Possible values are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Y (for Yes)</li> <li>■ N (for No)</li> </ul>

## DBA\_DV\_MAC\_POLICY View

The `DBA_DV_MAC_POLICY` data dictionary view lists the Oracle Label Security policies defined for use with Oracle Database Vault.

For example:

```
SELECT POLICY_NAME, ALGORITHM_CODE, ALGORITHM_MEANING
FROM DVSYS.DBA_DV_MAC_POLICY;
```

Output similar to the following appears:

```
POLICY_NAME      ALGORITHM_CODE  ALGORITHM_MEANING
-----
ACCESS_DATA      LUI              Minimum Level/Union/Intersection
```

#### Related Views

- [DBA\\_DV\\_MAC\\_POLICY\\_FACTOR View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_POLICY\\_LABEL View](#)

Column	Datatype	Null	Description
POLICY_NAME	VARCHAR(30)	NOT NULL	Name of the policy.
ALGORITHM_CODE	VARCHAR(30)	NOT NULL	Merge algorithm code used for the policy. See <a href="#">Table 12-57</a> on page 12-50 for a listing of algorithm codes.
ALGORITHM_MEANING	VARCHAR(4000)		Provides a text description for the corresponding value in the ALGORITHM_CODE column. See <a href="#">Table 12-57</a> on page 12-50 for a listing of algorithm code descriptions.
ERROR_LABEL	VARCHAR(4000)		Label specified for initialization errors, to be set when a configuration error or run-time error occurs during session initialization.

### DBA\_DV\_MAC\_POLICY\_FACTOR View

The DBA\_DV\_MAC\_POLICY data dictionary view lists the factors that are associated with Oracle Label Security policies.

You can use this view to determine what factors contribute to the maximum session label for each policy using the DBA\_DV\_MAC\_POLICY view.

For example:

```
SELECT * FROM DVSYS.DBA_DV_MAC_POLICY_FACTOR;
```

Output similar to the following appears:

```
FACTOR_NAME      MAC_POLICY_NAME
-----
App_Host_Name    Access Locations
```

#### Related Views

- [DBA\\_DV\\_MAC\\_POLICY View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_POLICY\\_LABEL View](#)

Column	Datatype	Null	Description
FACTOR_NAME	VARCHAR(30)	NOT NULL	Name of the factor.
MAC_POLICY_NAME	VARCHAR(30)	NOT NULL	Name of the Oracle Label Security policy associated with this factor.

## DBA\_DV\_POLICY\_LABEL View

The DBA\_DV\_POLICY\_LABEL data dictionary view lists the Oracle Label Security label for each factor identifier in the DBA\_DV\_IDENTITY view for each policy.

For example:

```
SELECT * FROM DVSYS.DBA_DV_POLICY_LABEL;
```

Output similar to the following appears:

```
IDENTITY_VALUE  FACTOR_NAME      POLICY_NAME      LABEL
-----
App_Host_Name   Sect2_Fin_Apps   Access Locations  Sensitive
```

### Related Views

- [DBA\\_DV\\_MAC\\_POLICY View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_MAC\\_POLICY\\_FACTOR View](#)

Column	Datatype	Null	Description
IDENTITY_VALUE	VARCHAR(1024)	NOT NULL	Name of the factor identifier.
FACTOR_NAME	VARCHAR(30)	NOT NULL	Name of the factor associated with the factor identifier.
POLICY_NAME	VARCHAR(30)	NOT NULL	Name of the Oracle Label Security policy associated with this factor.
LABEL	VARCHAR(4000)	NOT NULL	Name of the Oracle Label Security label associated with the policy.

## DBA\_DV\_PUB\_PRIVS View

The DBA\_DV\_PUB\_PRIVS data dictionary view lists data reflected in the Oracle Database Vault privilege management reports used in the Oracle Database Vault Administrator (DV\_ADMIN). See also "[Privilege Management - Summary Reports](#)" on page 17-9.

For example:

```
SELECT USERNAME, ACCESS_TYPE FROM DVSYS.DBA_DV_PUB_PRIVS WHERE USERNAME = 'OE';
```

Output similar to the following appears:

```
USERNAME  ACCESS_TYPE
-----
OE        PUBLIC
```

### Related Views

- [DBA\\_DV\\_USER\\_PRIVS View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_USER\\_PRIVS\\_ALL View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_ROLE View](#)

Column	Datatype	Null	Description
USERNAME	VARCHAR(30)	NOT NULL	Database schema in the current database instance.access
ACCESS_TYPE	VARCHAR(30)		Access type granted to the user listed in the USERNAME column (for example, PUBLIC).
PRIVILEGE	VARCHAR(40)	NOT NULL	Privilege granted to the user listed in the USERNAME column.

Column	Datatype	Null	Description
OWNER	VARCHAR(30)	NOT NULL	Owner of the database schema to which the USERNAME user has been granted privileges.
OBJECT_NAME	VARCHAR(30)	NOT NULL	Name of the object within the schema listed in the OWNER column.

## DBA\_DV\_REALM View

The DBA\_DV\_REALM data dictionary view lists the realms created in the current database instance.

For example:

```
SELECT NAME, AUDIT_OPTIONS, ENABLED FROM DVSYS.DBA_DV_REALM
WHERE AUDIT_OPTIONS = 'N';
```

Output similar to the following appears:

```
NAME                                AUDIT_OPTIONS  ENABLED
-----
Performance Statistics Realm N                1
```

### Related Views

- [DBA\\_DV\\_REALM\\_AUTH View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_REALM\\_OBJECT View](#)

Column	Datatype	Null	Description
NAME	VARCHAR(90)	NOT NULL	Names of the realms created. See " <a href="#">Default Realms</a> " on page 4-2 for a listing of default realms.
DESCRIPTION	VARCHAR(1024)	NOT NULL	Description of the realm created.
AUDIT_OPTIONS	NUMBER	NOT NULL	Specifies whether auditing is enabled. Possible values are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 0: No auditing for the realm.</li> <li>■ 1: Creates an audit record when a realm violation occurs (for example, when an unauthorized user tries to modify an object that is protected by the realm).</li> <li>■ 2: Creates an audit record for authorized activities on objects protected by the realm.</li> <li>■ 3: Creates an audit record for both authorized and unauthorized activities on objects protected by the realm.</li> </ul>
ENABLED	VARCHAR(1)	NOT NULL	Specifies whether realm checking is enabled. Y (yes) indicates it is enabled; N (no) indicates it is not.

## DBA\_DV\_REALM\_AUTH View

The DBA\_DV\_REALM\_AUTH data dictionary view lists the authorization of a named database user account or database role (GRANTEE) to access realm objects in a particular realm. See [Defining Realm Authorization](#) on page 4-5 for more information.

For example:

```
SELECT REALM_NAME, GRANTEE, AUTH_RULE_SET_NAME FROM DVSYS.DBA_DV_REALM_AUTH;
```

Output similar to the following appears:

```

REALM_NAME          GRANTEE  AUTH_RULE_SET_NAME
-----
Performance Statistics Realm  SYSADM  Check Conf Access

```

**Related Views**

- [DBA\\_DV\\_REALM View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_REALM\\_OBJECT View](#)

Column	Datatype	Null	Description
REALM_NAME	VARCHAR(90)	NOT NULL	Name of the realm.
GRANTEE	VARCHAR(30)	NOT NULL	User or role name to authorize as owner or participant.
AUTH_RULE_SET_NAME	VARCHAR(90)		Rule set to check before authorizing. If the rule set evaluates to TRUE, then the authorization is allowed.
AUTH_OPTIONS	VARCHAR(4000)		Type of realm authorization: either Participant or Owner.

**DBA\_DV\_REALM\_OBJECT View**

The DBA\_DV\_REALM\_OBJECT data dictionary view lists the database schemas, or subsets of schemas with specific database objects contained therein, that are secured by the realms. See "[Creating Realm-Secured Objects](#)" on page 4-4 for more information.

For example:

```
SELECT REALM_NAME, OWNER, OBJECT_NAME FROM DVSYS.DBA_DV_REALM_OBJECT;
```

Output similar to the following appears:

```

REALM_NAME          OWNER  OBJECT_NAME
-----
Performance Statistics Realm OE  ORDERS

```

**Related Views**

- [DBA\\_DV\\_REALM View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_REALM\\_AUTH View](#)

Column	Datatype	Null	Description
REALM_NAME	VARCHAR(90)	NOT NULL	Name of the realm.
OWNER	VARCHAR(90)	NOT NULL	Database schema owner who owns the realm.
OBJECT_NAME	VARCHAR(90)	NOT NULL	Name of the object the realm protects.
OBJECT_TYPE	VARCHAR(90)	NOT NULL	Type of object the realm protects, such as a database table, view, index, or role.

**DBA\_DV\_ROLE View**

The DBA\_DV\_ROLE data dictionary view lists the Oracle Database Vault secure application roles used in privilege management.

For example:

```
SELECT ROLE, RULE_NAME FROM DVSYS.DBA_DV_ROLE;
```

Output similar to the following appears:

ROLE	RULE_NAME
Sector2_APP_MGR	Check App2 Access
Sector2_APP_DBA	Check App2 Access

### Related Views

- [DBA\\_DV\\_PUB\\_PRIVS View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_USER\\_PRIVS View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_USER\\_PRIVS\\_ALL View](#)

Column	Datatype	Null	Description
ROLE	VARCHAR(30)	NOT NULL	Name of the secure application role.
RULE_NAME	VARCHAR(90)	NOT NULL	Name of the rule set associated with the secure application role.
ENABLED	VARCHAR(1)	NOT NULL	Indicates whether the secure application role is enabled. Y (yes) enables the role; N (no) disables it.

## DBA\_DV\_RULE View

The DBA\_DV\_RULE data dictionary view lists the rules that have been defined.

For example:

```
SELECT * FROM DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE WHERE NAME = 'Maintenance Window';
```

Output similar to the following appears:

NAME	RULE_EXP
Maintenance Window	TO_CHAR(SYSDATE, 'HH24') BETWEEN '10' AND '12'

To find the rule sets that use specific rules, query the DBA\_DV\_RULE\_SET\_RULE view.

### Related Views

- [DBA\\_DV\\_RULE\\_SET View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_RULE\\_SET\\_RULE View](#)

Column	Datatype	Null	Description
NAME	VARCHAR(90)	NOT NULL	Name of the rule.
RULE_EXPR	VARCHAR(1024)	NOT NULL	PL/SQL expression for the rule.

## DBA\_DV\_RULE\_SET View

The DBA\_DV\_RULE\_SET data dictionary view lists the rules sets that have been created.

For example:

```
SELECT RULE_SET_NAME, HANDLER_OPTIONS, HANDLER FROM DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE_SET
WHERE RULE_SET_NAME = 'Maintenance Period';
```

Output similar to the following appears:

RULE_SET_NAME	HANDLER_OPTIONS	HANDLER
Maintenance Period		1 dbavowner.email_alert

**Related Views**

- [DBA\\_DV\\_RULE View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_RULE\\_SET\\_RULE View](#)

Column	Datatype	Null	Description
RULE_SET_NAME	VARCHAR(90)	NOT NULL	Name of the rule set.
DESCRIPTION	VARCHAR(1024)		Description of the rule set.
ENABLED	VARCHAR(1)	NOT NULL	Indicates whether the rule set has been enabled. Y (yes) enables the rule set; N (no) disables it.
EVAL_OPTIONS_MEANING	VARCHAR(4000)		For rules sets that contain multiple rules, determines how many rules are evaluated. Possible values are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ All True: All rules in the rule set must evaluate to true for the rule set itself to evaluate to TRUE.</li> <li>■ Any True: At least one rule in the rule set must evaluate to true for the rule set itself to evaluate to TRUE.</li> </ul>
AUDIT_OPTIONS	NUMBER	NOT NULL	Indicates when auditing is used. Possible values are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 0: No auditing</li> <li>■ 1: Audit on failure</li> <li>■ 2: Audit on success</li> <li>■ 3: Audit on both failure and success</li> </ul>
FAIL_OPTIONS_MEANING	VARCHAR(4000)		Determines when an audit record is created for the rule set. Possible values are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Do Not Show Error Message.</li> <li>■ Show Error Message</li> </ul>
FAIL_MESSAGE	VARCHAR(80)		Error message for failure that is associated with the fail code listed in the FAIL_CODE column.
FAIL_CODE	VARCHAR(10)		The error message number associated with the message listed in the FAIL_MESSAGE column. Possible values are in the ranges of -20000 to -20999 or 20000 to 20999.
HANDLER_OPTIONS	NUMBER	NOT NULL	Determines how error handling is used. Possible values are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 0: Disables error handling.</li> <li>■ 1: Call handler on rule set failure.</li> <li>■ 2: Call handler on rule set success.</li> </ul>
HANDLER	VARCHAR(1024)		Name of the PL/SQL function or procedure that defines the custom event handler logic.



Column	Datatype	Null	Description
IS_STATIC	VARCHAR2(5)		Indicates how often the rule set is evaluated during a user session. Possible values are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TRUE: The rule set is evaluated once, and result of the rule set is reused throughout the user session.</li> <li>FALSE (default): The rule set is evaluated each time it is accessed during the user session.</li> </ul>

## DBA\_DV\_RULE\_SET\_RULE View

The DBA\_DV\_RULE\_SET\_RULE data dictionary view lists rules that are associated with existing rule sets.

For example:

```
SELECT RULE_SET_NAME, RULE_NAME, RULE_EXPR FROM DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE_SET_RULE
WHERE RULE_NAME = 'Is Security Officer';
```

Output similar to the following appears:

RULE_SET_NAME	RULE_NAME	RULE_EXP
Can Grant VPD Administration	Is Security Owner	DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL.USER_HAS_ROLE_ VARCHAR('DV_OWNER',dvsys.dv_ login_user) = 'Y'

### Related Views

- DBA\_DV\_RULE View
- DBA\_DV\_RULE\_SET View

Column	Datatype	Null	Description
RULE_SET_NAME	VARCHAR(90)	NOT NULL	Name of the rule set that contains the rule.
RULE_NAME	VARCHAR(90)	NOT NULL	Name of the rule.
RULE_EXPR	VARCHAR(1024)	NOT NULL	PL/SQL expression that defines the rule listed in the RULE_NAME column.
ENABLED	VARCHAR(1)		Indicates whether the rule is enabled or disabled. Y (yes) enables the rule set; N (no) disables it.
RULE_ORDER	NUMBER	NOT NULL	The order in which rules are used within the rule set. Does not apply to this release.

## DBA\_DV\_USER\_PRIVS View

The DBA\_DV\_USER\_PRIVS data dictionary view lists the privileges for a database user account excluding privileges granted through the PUBLIC role.

For example:

```
SELECT USERNAME, ACCESS_TYPE, PRIVILEGE FROM DVSYS.DBA_DV_USER_PRIVS;
```

Output similar to the following appears:

USERNAME	ACCESS_TYPE	PRIVILEGE
DVSYS	DV_PUBLIC	EXECUTE

```
DVOWNER    DV_ADMIN          SELECT
SYS        SELECT_CATALOG_ROLE  SELECT
...
```

### Related Views

- [DBA\\_DV\\_PUB\\_PRIVS View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_ROLE View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_USER\\_PRIVS\\_ALL View](#)

Column	Datatype	Null	Description
USERNAME	VARCHAR(30)	NOT NULL	Name of the database schema account in which privileges have been defined.
ACCESS_TYPE	VARCHAR(30)		Role the database user account listed in the USERNAME column uses to access the database. Oracle Database Vault accounts have direct access.
PRIVILEGE	VARCHAR(40)	NOT NULL	Privilege granted to the user listed in the USERNAME column.
OWNER	VARCHAR(30)	NOT NULL	Name of the database user account.
OBJECT_NAME	VARCHAR(30)	NOT NULL	Name of the PL/SQL function or procedure used to define privileges.

### DBA\_DV\_USER\_PRIVS\_ALL View

The `DBA_DV_USER_PRIVS_ALL` data dictionary view lists the privileges for a database account including privileges granted through `PUBLIC`.

For example:

```
SELECT USERNAME, ACCESS_TYPE, PRIVILEGE FROM DVSYS.DBA_DV_USER_PRIVS;
```

Output similar to the following appears:

```
USERNAME          ACCESS_TYPE  PRIVILEGE
-----
AMALCOLM_DVACCTMGR  CONNECT     CREATE_SESSION
LBROWN_DVOWNER     DIRECT      CREATE PROCEDURE
...
```

### Related Views

- [DBA\\_DV\\_PUB\\_PRIVS View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_ROLE View](#)
- [DBA\\_DV\\_USER\\_PRIVS View](#)

Column	Datatype	Null	Description
USERNAME	VARCHAR(30)		Name of the database schema account in which privileges have been defined.
ACCESS_TYPE	VARCHAR(30)		Role the database user account listed in the USERNAME column uses to access the database. Oracle Database Vault accounts have direct access.
PRIVILEGE	VARCHAR(40)		Privilege granted to the user listed in the USERNAME column.
OWNER	VARCHAR(30)		Name of the database user account.

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<b>Column</b>	<b>Datatype</b>	<b>Null</b>	<b>Description</b>
OBJECT_NAME	VARCHAR(30)		Name of the PL/SQL function or procedure used to define privileges.

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## Using the DVSYS.DBMS\_MACADM Package

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### About the DVSYS.DBMS\_MACADM Package

The procedures and functions within the `DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM` package allow you to write applications that configure the realms, factors, rule sets, command rules, secure application roles, and Oracle Label Security policies normally configured in Oracle Database Vault Administrator.

The `DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM` package is available only for users who have been granted the `DV_ADMIN` or `DV_OWNER` role.

Many of the parameters used in the procedures and functions in the `DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM` package can use the constants available in the `DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL` package. See ["DVSYS.DBMS\\_MACUTL Constants"](#) on page 14-1 for more information.

Oracle Database Vault also provides a set of PL/SQL interfaces that you can use with the `DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM` package. See [Chapter 15, "Using the Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Interfaces,"](#) for more information.

### Realm Procedures Within DVSYS.DBMS\_MACADM

[Table 12-1](#) lists procedures within the `DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM` package that you can use to configure realms. For constants that you can use with these procedures, see [Table 14-1](#) on page 14-1 for more information.

[Chapter 4, "Configuring Realms,"](#) describes realms in detail. See also [Chapter 14, "Using the DVSYS.DBMS\\_MACUTL Package,"](#) for a set of general purpose utility procedures that you can use with the realm procedures.

**Table 12–1 DVSYS.DBMS\_MACADM Realm Configuration Procedures**

Procedure	Description
<a href="#">ADD_AUTH_TO_REALM Procedure</a>	Authorizes a user or role to access a realm as an owner or a participant
<a href="#">ADD_OBJECT_TO_REALM Procedure</a>	Registers a set of objects for realm protection
<a href="#">CREATE_REALM Procedure</a>	Creates a realm
<a href="#">DELETE_AUTH_FROM_REALM Procedure</a>	Removes the authorization of a user or role to access a realm
<a href="#">DELETE_OBJECT_FROM_REALM Procedure</a>	Removes a set of objects from realm protection
<a href="#">DELETE_REALM Procedure</a>	Deletes a realm and its related Database Vault configuration information
<a href="#">DELETE_REALM_CASCADE Procedure</a>	Deletes a realm its related Database Vault configuration information
<a href="#">RENAME_REALM Procedure</a>	Renames a realm. The name change takes effect everywhere the realm is used.
<a href="#">UPDATE_REALM Procedure</a>	Updates a realm.
<a href="#">UPDATE_REALM_AUTH Procedure</a>	Updates the authorization of a user or role to access a realm

## ADD\_AUTH\_TO\_REALM Procedure

The `ADD_AUTH_TO_REALM` procedure authorizes a user or role to access a realm as an owner or a participant. For detailed information about realm authorization, see ["Defining Realm Authorization"](#) on page 4-5.

Optionally, you can specify a rule set that must be checked before allowing the authorization to proceed.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.ADD_AUTH_TO_REALM(
    realm_name    IN VARCHAR2,
    grantee       IN VARCHAR2,
    rule_set_name IN VARCHAR2,
    auth_options  IN NUMBER);
```

### Parameters

**Table 12–2 ADD\_AUTH\_TO\_REALM Parameters**

Parameter	Description
<code>realm_name</code>	<p>Realm name.</p> <p>To find the existing realms in the current database instance, query the <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_REALM</code> view, described in <a href="#">"DBA_DV_REALM View"</a> on page 11-25.</p>
<code>grantee</code>	<p>User or role name to authorize as an owner or a participant.</p> <p>To find the existing users and roles in the current database instance, query the <code>DBA_USERS</code> and <code>DBA_ROLES</code> views, described in <i>Oracle Database Reference</i>.</p> <p>To find the authorization of a particular user or role, query the <code>DVA_DV_REALM_AUTH</code> view, described in <a href="#">"DBA_DV_REALM_AUTH View"</a> on page 11-25.</p> <p>To find existing secure application roles used in privilege management, query the <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_ROLE</code> view. Both are described in <a href="#">"Oracle Database Vault Data Dictionary Views"</a> on page 11-15.</p>

**Table 12–2 (Cont.) ADD\_AUTH\_TO\_REALM Parameters**

Parameter	Description
rule_set_name	Optional. Rule set to check before authorizing. If the rule set evaluates to TRUE, then the authorization is allowed.  To find the available rule sets, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE_SET view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_RULE_SET View</a> " on page 11-27.
auth_options	Optional. Specify one of the following options to authorize the realm: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 0: Participant. This account or role provides system or direct privileges to access, manipulate, and create objects protected by the realm, provided these rights have been granted using the standard Oracle Database privilege grant process.</li> <li>▪ 1: Owner. This account or role has the same privileges as the realm participant, plus the authorization to grant or revoke realm-secured database roles. A realm can have multiple owners.</li> </ul> <p>You can also use the following DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL constants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ G_REALM_AUTH_PARTICIPANT</li> <li>▪ G_REALM_AUTH_OWNER</li> </ul> <p>See "<a href="#">Defining Realm Authorization</a>" on page 4-5 for more information on participants and owners.</p>

### Examples

The following example authorizes user SYSADM as a participant in the Performance Statistics Realm.

```
BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.ADD_AUTH_TO_REALM(
    realm_name => 'Performance Statistics Realm',
    grantee    => 'SYSADM');
END;
/
```

This example sets user SYSADM as the owner of the Performance Statistics Realm.

```
BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.ADD_AUTH_TO_REALM(
    realm_name  => 'Performance Statistics Realm',
    grantee     => 'SYSADM',
    auth_options => DBMS_MACUTL.G_REALM_AUTH_OWNER);
END;
/
```

The next example triggers the Check Conf Access rule set before allowing user SYSADM to be made the owner of the Performance Statistics Realm.

```
BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.ADD_AUTH_TO_REALM(
    realm_name  => 'Performance Statistics Realm',
    grantee     => 'SYSADM',
    rule_set_name => 'Check Conf Access',
    auth_options => DBMS_MACUTL.G_REALM_AUTH_OWNER);
END;
/
```

## ADD\_OBJECT\_TO\_REALM Procedure

The ADD\_OBJECT\_TO\_REALM procedure registers a set of objects for realm protection.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.ADD_OBJECT_TO_REALM(
    realm_name    IN VARCHAR2,
    object_owner  IN VARCHAR2,
    object_name   IN VARCHAR2,
    object_type   IN VARCHAR2);
```

### Parameters

**Table 12–3 ADD\_OBJECT\_TO\_REALM Parameters**

Parameter	Description
realm_name	<p>Realm name.</p> <p>To find the existing realms in the current database instance, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_REALM view, described in "<a href="#">DBA_DV_REALM View</a>" on page 11-25</p>
object_owner	<p>The owner of the object that is being added to the realm. If you add a role to a realm, the object owner of the role is shown as % (for all), because roles do not have owners.</p> <p>To find the available users, query the DBA_USERS view, described in <i>Oracle Database Reference</i>.</p> <p>To find the authorization of a particular user or role, query the DVA_DV_REALM_AUTH view, described in "<a href="#">DBA_DV_REALM_AUTH View</a>" on page 11-25.</p>
object_name	<p>Object name. (The wildcard % is allowed. See "Object Name" under "<a href="#">Creating Realm-Secured Objects</a>" on page 4-4 for exceptions to the wildcard %.) You can also use the DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL G_ALL_OBJECT constant.</p> <p>To find the available objects, query the ALL_OBJECTS view, described in <i>Oracle Database Reference</i>.</p> <p>To find objects that are secured by existing realms, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_REALM_OBJECT view, described in "<a href="#">DBA_DV_REALM_OBJECT View</a>" on page 11-26.</p>
object_type	<p>Object type, such as TABLE, INDEX, or ROLE. (The wildcard % is allowed. See "Object Types" under "<a href="#">Creating Realm-Secured Objects</a>" on page 4-4 for exceptions to the wildcard %.)</p> <p>You can also use the DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL G_ALL_OBJECT constant.</p>

### Example

```
BEGIN
    DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.ADD_OBJECT_TO_REALM(
        realm_name => 'Performance Statistics Realm',
        object_owner => '%',
        object_name => 'GATHER_SYSTEM_STATISTICS',
        object_type => 'ROLE');
END;
/
```



## CREATE\_REALM Procedure

The CREATE\_REALM procedure creates a realm. After you create the realm, use the following procedures to complete the realm definition:

- ADD\_OBJECT\_TO\_REALM procedure registers one or more objects for the realm.
- ADD\_AUTH\_TO\_REALM procedures authorize users or roles for the realm.

### Syntax

```
DVSYSDSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_REALM(
    realm_name    IN VARCHAR2,
    description   IN VARCHAR2,
    enabled       IN VARCHAR2,
    audit_options IN NUMBER);
```

### Parameters

**Table 12–4 CREATE\_REALM Parameters**

Parameter	Description
realm_name	<p>Realm name, up to 90 characters in mixed-case.</p> <p>To find the existing realms in the current database instance, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_REALM view, described in <a href="#">"DBA_DV_REALM View"</a> on page 11-25.</p>
description	<p>Description of the purpose of the realm, up to 1024 characters in mixed-case.</p>
enabled	<p>Y (yes) enables realm checking; N (no) disables it. The default is Y.</p> <p>You can also use the following DVSYSDSYS.DBMS_MACUTL constants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ G_YES</li> <li>■ G_NO</li> </ul>
audit_options	<p>Specify one of the following options to audit the realm:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 0: Disables auditing for the realm (default)</li> <li>■ 1: Creates an audit record when a realm violation occurs (for example, when an unauthorized user tries to modify an object that is protected by the realm)</li> <li>■ 2: Creates an audit record for authorized activities on objects protected by the realm</li> <li>■ 3: Creates an audit record for both authorized and unauthorized activities on objects protected by the realm</li> </ul> <p>You can also use the following DVSYSDSYS.DBMS_MACUTL constants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ G_REALM_AUDIT_OFF (default)</li> <li>■ G_REALM_AUDIT_SUCCESS</li> <li>■ G_REALM_AUDIT_FAIL</li> <li>■ G_REALM_AUDIT_FAIL + G_REALM_AUDIT_SUCCESS</li> </ul>

### Example

```
BEGIN
DVSYSDSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_REALM(
    realm_name    => 'Performance Statistics Realm',
    description   => 'Realm to measure performance',
    enabled       => DBMS_MACUTL.G_YES,
    audit_options => DBMS_MACUTL.G_REALM_AUDIT_FAIL + DBMS_MACUTL.G_REALM_AUDIT_
```

```
SUCCESS);
END;
/
```

**See Also:** [Example 14–1, "Creating a Realm Using DVSYS.DBMS\\_MACUTL Constants"](#) on page 14-4

## DELETE\_AUTH\_FROM\_REALM Procedure

The DELETE\_AUTH\_FROM\_REALM procedure removes the authorization of a user or role to access a realm.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_AUTH_FROM_REALM(
    realm_name IN VARCHAR2,
    grantee    IN VARCHAR2);
```

### Parameters

**Table 12–5** DELETE\_AUTH\_FROM\_REALM Parameters

Parameter	Description
realm_name	<p>Realm name.</p> <p>To find the existing realms in the current database instance, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_REALM view, described in "<a href="#">DBA_DV_REALM View</a>" on page 11-25</p>
grantee	<p>User or role name.</p> <p>To find the authorization of a particular user or role, query the DVA_DV_REALM_AUTH view, described in "<a href="#">DBA_DV_REALM_AUTH View</a>" on page 11-25.</p>

### Example

```
BEGIN
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_AUTH_FROM_REALM(
    realm_name => 'Performance Statistics Realm',
    grantee    => 'SYS');
END;
/
```

## DELETE\_OBJECT\_FROM\_REALM Procedure

The DELETE\_OBJECT\_FROM\_REALM procedure removes a set of objects from realm protection.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_OBJECT_FROM_REALM(
    realm_name    IN VARCHAR2,
    object_owner  IN VARCHAR2,
    object_name   IN VARCHAR2,
    object_type   IN VARCHAR2);
```

## Parameters

**Table 12-6 DELETE\_OBJECT\_FROM\_REALM Parameters**

Parameter	Description
realm_name	<p>Realm name.</p> <p>To find the existing realms in the current database instance, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_REALM view, described in <a href="#">"DBA_DV_REALM View"</a> on page 11-25</p>
object_owner	<p>The owner of the object that was added to the realm.</p> <p>To find the available users, query the DBA_USERS view, described in <i>Oracle Database Reference</i>.</p>
object_name	<p>Object name. (The wildcard % is allowed. See "Object Name" under <a href="#">"Creating Realm-Secured Objects"</a> on page 4-4 for exceptions to the wildcard %.) You can also use the DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL.G_ALL_OBJECT constant.</p> <p>To find objects that are secured by existing realms, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_REALM_OBJECT view, described in <a href="#">"DBA_DV_REALM_OBJECT View"</a> on page 11-26.</p>
object_type	<p>Object type, such as TABLE, INDEX, or ROLE. (The wildcard % is allowed. See "Object Types" under <a href="#">"Creating Realm-Secured Objects"</a> on page 4-4 for exceptions to the wildcard %.)</p> <p>You can also use the DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL.G_ALL_OBJECT constant.</p>

## Example

```

BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_OBJECT_FROM_REALM(
    realm_name => 'Performance Statistics Realm',
    object_owner => 'SYS',
    object_name => 'GATHER_SYSTEM_STATISTICS',
    object_type => 'ROLE');
END;
/
    
```

## DELETE\_REALM Procedure

The DELETE\_REALM procedure deletes a realm, including its related Database Vault configuration information that specifies who is authorized (DVSYS.DBA\_DV\_REALM\_AUTH view) and what objects are protected (DVSYS.DBA\_DV\_REALM\_OBJECT view). It does not delete the actual database objects or users. To find a listing of the realm-related objects, query the DVSYS.DBA\_DV\_REALM view. To find its authorizations, query DVSYS.DBA\_DV\_REALM\_AUTH. Both are described under ["Oracle Database Vault Data Dictionary Views"](#) on page 11-15.

If you want to remove the associated objects and authorizations and the realm, see ["DELETE\\_REALM\\_CASCADE Procedure"](#) on page 12-8.

## Syntax

```

DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_REALM(
  realm_name IN VARCHAR2);
    
```

## Parameters

**Table 12-7** *DELETE\_REALM Parameter*

Parameter	Description
realm_name	<p>Realm name.</p> <p>To find the existing realms in the current database instance, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_REALM view, described in "<a href="#">DBA_DV_REALM View</a>" on page 11-25</p>

### Example

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_REALM('Performance Statistics Realm');
```

## DELETE\_REALM\_CASCADE Procedure

The DELETE\_REALM\_CASCADE procedure deletes a realm, including its related Database Vault configuration information that specifies who is authorized (DVSYS.DBA\_DV\_REALM\_AUTH view) and what objects are protected (DVSYS.DBA\_DV\_REALM\_OBJECT view). It does not delete the actual database objects or users. To find a listing of the realm-related objects, query the DVSYS.DBA\_DV\_REALM view. To find its authorizations, query DVSYS.DBA\_DV\_REALM\_AUTH. Both are described under "[Oracle Database Vault Data Dictionary Views](#)" on page 11-15.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_REALM_CASCADE(
    realm_name IN VARCHAR2);
```

## Parameters

**Table 12-8** *DELETE\_REALM\_CASCADE Parameter*

Parameter	Description
realm_name	<p>Realm name.</p> <p>To find the existing realms in the current database instance, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_REALM view, described in "<a href="#">DBA_DV_REALM View</a>" on page 11-25</p>

### Example

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_REALM_CASCADE('Performance Statistics Realm');
```

## RENAME\_REALM Procedure

The RENAME\_REALM procedure renames a realm. The name change takes effect everywhere the realm is used.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.RENAME_REALM(
    realm_name IN VARCHAR2,
    new_name   IN VARCHAR2);
```

## Parameters

**Table 12–9 RENAME\_REALM Parameters**

Parameter	Description
realm_name	Current realm name.  To find the existing realms in the current database instance, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_REALM view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_REALM View</a> " on page 11-25
new_name	New realm name, up to 90 characters in mixed-case.

## Example

```
BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.RENAME_REALM(
    realm_name => 'Performance Statistics Realm',
    new_name   => 'Sector 2 Performance Statistics Realm');
END;
/
```

## UPDATE\_REALM Procedure

The UPDATE\_REALM procedure updates a realm.

## Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UPDATE_REALM(
  realm_name   IN VARCHAR2,
  description  IN VARCHAR2,
  enabled      IN VARCHAR2,
  audit_options IN NUMBER DEFAULT NULL);
```

## Parameters

**Table 12–10 UPDATE\_REALM Parameters**

Parameter	Description
realm_name	Realm name.  To find the existing realms in the current database instance, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_REALM view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_REALM View</a> " on page 11-25
description	Description of the purpose of the realm, up to 1024 characters in mixed-case.
enabled	Y (yes) enables realm checking; N (no) disables it.  You can also use the following DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL constants: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ G_YES</li> <li>■ G_NO</li> </ul> The default for enabled is the previously set value, which you can find by querying the DVSYS.DBA_DV_REALM data dictionary view. (This feature is available with Oracle Database 11g Release 2 (11.2.0.3).)

**Table 12–10 (Cont.) UPDATE\_REALM Parameters**

Parameter	Description
audit_options	<p>Specify one of the following options to audit the realm:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 0: Disables auditing for the realm</li> <li>■ 1: Creates an audit record when a realm violation occurs (for example, when an unauthorized user tries to modify an object that is protected by the realm)</li> <li>■ 2: Creates an audit record for authorized activities on objects protected by the realm.</li> <li>■ 3: Creates an audit record for both authorized and unauthorized activities on objects protected by the realm</li> </ul> <p>You can also use the following DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL constants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ G_REALM_AUDIT_OFF</li> <li>■ G_REALM_AUDIT_SUCCESS</li> <li>■ G_REALM_AUDIT_FAIL</li> <li>■ G_REALM_AUDIT_FAIL + G_REALM_AUDIT_SUCCESS</li> </ul> <p>The default for audit_options is the previously set value, which you can find by querying the DVSYS.DBA_DV_REALM data dictionary view.</p>

**Example**

```
BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UPDATE_REALM(
    realm_name => 'Sector 2 Performance Statistics Realm',
    description => 'Realm to measure performance for Sector 2 applications',
    enabled => 'Y',
    audit_options => DBMS_MACUTL.G_REALM_AUDIT_FAIL + G_REALM_AUDIT_SUCCESS);
END;
/
```

**UPDATE\_REALM\_AUTH Procedure**

The UPDATE\_REALM\_AUTH procedure updates the authorization of a user or role to access a realm.

**Syntax**

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UPDATE_REALM_AUTH(
  realm_name IN VARCHAR2,
  grantee IN VARCHAR2,
  rule_set_name IN VARCHAR2,
  auth_options IN NUMBER);
```

**Parameters**

**Table 12–11 UPDATE\_REALM\_AUTH Parameters**

Parameter	Description
realm_name	<p>Realm name.</p> <p>To find the existing realms in the current database instance, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_REALM view, described in "DBA_DV_REALM View" on page 11-25.</p>

**Table 12–11 (Cont.) UPDATE\_REALM\_AUTH Parameters**

Parameter	Description
grantee	<p>User or role name.</p> <p>To find the available users and roles, query the DBA_USERS and DBA_ROLES views, described in <i>Oracle Database Reference</i>.</p> <p>To find the authorization of a particular user or role, query the DVA_DV_REALM_AUTH view, described in <a href="#">DBA_DV_REALM_AUTH View</a> on page 11-25.</p> <p>To find existing secure application roles used in privilege management, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_ROLE view, described in <a href="#">"DBA_DV_ROLE View"</a> on page 11-26.</p>
rule_set_name	<p>Optional Rule set to check before authorizing. If the rule set evaluates to TRUE, then the authorization is allowed.</p> <p>To find the available rule sets, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE_SET view. To find rules that are associated with the rule sets, query the DBA_DB_RULE_SET_RULE view. Both are described in <a href="#">"Oracle Database Vault Data Dictionary Views"</a> on page 11-15.</p>
auth_options	<p>Optional. Specify one of the following options to authorize the realm:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 0: Participant. This account or role provides system or direct privileges to access, manipulate, and create objects protected by the realm, provided these rights have been granted using the standard Oracle Database privilege grant process.</li> <li>■ 1: Owner. This account or role has the same privileges as the realm participant, plus the authorization to grant or revoke realm-secured database roles. A realm can have multiple owners.</li> </ul> <p>You can also use the following DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL constants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ G_REALM_AUTH_PARTICIPANT</li> <li>■ G_REALM_AUTH_OWNER</li> </ul> <p>The default for auth_options value is the previously set value, which you can find by querying the DVSYS.DBA_DV_REALM_AUTH data dictionary view.</p>

**Example**

```

BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UPDATE_REALM_AUTH(
    realm_name    => 'Sector 2 Performance Statistics Realm',
    grantee       => 'SYSADM',
    rule_set_name => 'Check Conf Access',
    auth_options  => DBMS_MACUTL.G_REALM_AUTH_OWNER);
END;
/

```

## Rule Set Procedures Within DVSYS.DBMS\_MACADM

Table 12–12 lists procedures within the DVSYS.DBMS\_MACADM package that you can use to configure rule sets.

**See Also:**

- [Chapter 5, "Configuring Rule Sets,"](#) for detailed information about rule sets
- [Chapter 14, "Using the DVSYS.DBMS\\_MACUTL Package,"](#) for a set of general-purpose utility procedures that you can use with the rule set procedures
- [Chapter 15, "Using the Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Interfaces,"](#) for PL/SQL interfaces that you can use with rules

**Table 12–12 DVSYS.DBMS\_MACADM Rule Set Configuration Procedures**

Procedure	Description
<a href="#">ADD_RULE_TO_RULE_SET Procedure</a>	Adds a rule to a rule set
<a href="#">CREATE_RULE Procedure</a>	Creates a rule
<a href="#">CREATE_RULE_SET Procedure</a>	Creates a rule set
<a href="#">DELETE_RULE Procedure</a>	Deletes a rule
<a href="#">DELETE_RULE_FROM_RULE_SET Procedure</a>	Deletes a rule from a rule set
<a href="#">DELETE_RULE_SET Procedure</a>	Deletes a rule set
<a href="#">RENAME_RULE Procedure</a>	Renames a rule. The name change takes effect everywhere the rule is used.
<a href="#">RENAME_RULE_SET Procedure</a>	Renames a rule set. The name change takes effect everywhere the rule set is used.
<a href="#">SYNC_RULES Procedure</a>	Synchronizes the rules
<a href="#">UPDATE_RULE Procedure</a>	Updates a rule
<a href="#">UPDATE_RULE_SET Procedure</a>	Updates a rule set

### ADD\_RULE\_TO\_RULE\_SET Procedure

The ADD\_RULE\_TO\_RULE\_SET procedure adds rule to a rule set, and lets you specify whether to have the rule be checked when the rule set is evaluated.

**Syntax**

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.ADD_RULE_TO_RULE_SET(
  rule_set_name IN VARCHAR2,
  rule_name     IN VARCHAR2,
  rule_order    IN NUMBER,
  enabled       IN VARCHAR2);
```



## Parameters

**Table 12–13 ADD\_RULE\_TO\_RULE\_SET Parameters**

Parameter	Description
rule_set_name	Rule set name.  To find existing rule sets in the current database instance, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE_SET view, described in "DBA_DV_RULE_SET View" on page 11-27.
rule_name	Rule to add to the rule set.  To find existing rules, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE view, described in "DBA_DV_RULE View" on page 11-27.  To find rules that have been associated with rule sets, use DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE_SET_RULE, described in "DBA_DV_RULE View" on page 11-27.
rule_order	Does not apply to this release, but you must include a value for the ADD_RULE_TO_RULE_SET procedure to work. Enter 1.
enabled	Optional. Determines whether the rule should be checked when the rule set is evaluated. Possible values are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Y (yes; default). Enables the rule to be checked during the rule set evaluation.</li> <li>■ N (no). Prevents the rule from being checked during the rule set evaluation.</li> </ul> <p>You can also enter the following DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL constants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ G_YES (default)</li> <li>■ G_NO</li> </ul> <p>See <a href="#">Table 14–1</a> on page 14-1 for more information.</p>

## Examples

The following example adds a rule to a rule set, and by omitting the `enabled` parameter, automatically enables the rule to be checked when the rule set is evaluated.

```
BEGIN
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.ADD_RULE_TO_RULE_SET(
  rule_set_name => 'Limit_DBA_Access',
  rule_name     => 'Restrict DROP TABLE operations'),
rule_order     => 1);
END;
/
```

This example adds the rule to the rule set but disables rule checking.

```
BEGIN
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.ADD_RULE_TO_RULE_SET(
  rule_set_name => 'Limit_DBA_Access',
  rule_name     => 'Check UPDATE operations',
  rule_order    => 1,
  enabled       => DBMS_MACUTL.G_NO);
END;
/
```

## CREATE\_RULE Procedure

The `CREATE_RULE` procedure creates a rule. After you create a rule, you can add it to a rule set.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE(
  rule_name  IN VARCHAR2,
  rule_expr  IN VARCHAR2);
```

### Parameters

**Table 12–14 CREATE\_RULE Parameters**

Parameter	Description
rule_name	<p>Rule name, up to 90 characters in mixed-case. Spaces are allowed.</p> <p>To find existing rules in the current database instance, query the <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE</code> view, described in "<a href="#">DBA_DV_RULE View</a>" on page 11-27.</p> <p>To find rules that have been associated with rule sets, query <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE_SET_RULE</code>, described in "<a href="#">DBA_DV_RULE_SET_RULE View</a>" on page 11-29.</p>
rule_expr	<p>PL/SQL <code>BOOLEAN</code> expression.</p> <p>If the expression contains quotation marks, do not use double quotation marks. Instead, use two single quotation marks. Enclose the entire expression within single quotation marks. For example:</p> <pre>'TO_CHAR(SYSDATE, 'HH24') = '12'''</pre> <p>See "<a href="#">Creating a New Rule</a>" on page 5-6 for more information on rule expressions.</p>

### Example

```
BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE(
    rule_name => 'Check UPDATE operations',
    rule_expr => 'SYS_CONTEXT(''USERENV'', 'SESSION_USER') = ''SYSADM''');
END;
/
```

## CREATE\_RULE\_SET Procedure

The `CREATE_RULE_SET` procedure creates a rule set. After you create a rule set, you can use the `CREATE_RULE` and `ADD_RULE_TO_RULE_SET` procedures to create and add rules to the rule set.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE_SET(
  rule_set_name  IN VARCHAR2,
  description    IN VARCHAR2,
  enabled        IN VARCHAR2,
  eval_options   IN NUMBER,
  audit_options  IN NUMBER,
  fail_options   IN NUMBER,
  fail_message   IN VARCHAR2,
  fail_code      IN NUMBER,
  handler_options IN NUMBER,
```

```

handler          IN VARCHAR2,
is_static        IN BOOLEAN DEFAULT FALSE);

```

## Parameters

**Table 12–15 CREATE\_RULE\_SET Parameters**

Parameter	Description
rule_set_name	<p>Rule set name, up to 90 characters in mixed-case. Spaces are allowed.</p> <p>To find existing rule sets in the current database instance, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE_SET view, described in "<a href="#">DBA_DV_RULE_SET View</a>" on page 11-27.</p>
description	Description of the purpose of the rule set, up to 1024 characters in mixed-case.
enabled	<p>Y (yes) enables the rule set; N (no) disables it. The default is Y.</p> <p>You can also use the following DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL constants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ G_YES</li> <li>■ G_NO</li> </ul>
eval_options	<p>If you plan to assign multiple rules to the rule set, enter one of the following settings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 1: All rules in the rule set must evaluate to true for the rule set itself to evaluate to true (default).</li> <li>■ 2: At least one rule in the rule set must evaluate to true for the rule set itself to evaluate to true.</li> </ul> <p>You can also use the following DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL constants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ G_RULESET_EVAL_ALL (default)</li> <li>■ G_RULESET_EVAL_ANY</li> </ul>
audit_options	<p>Select one of the following settings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 0: Disables auditing for the rule set (default)</li> <li>■ 1: Creates an audit record when a rule set violation occurs</li> <li>■ 2: Creates an audit record for a successful rule set evaluation</li> <li>■ 3: Creates an audit record for both successful and failed rule set evaluations</li> </ul> <p>You can also use the following DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL constants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ G_RULESET_AUDIT_OFF (default)</li> <li>■ G_RULESET_AUDIT_SUCCESS</li> <li>■ G_RULESET_AUDIT_FAIL</li> <li>■ G_RULESET_AUDIT_FAIL + G_RULESET_AUDIT_SUCCESS</li> </ul> <p>See "<a href="#">Audit Options</a>" on page 5-4 for more information.</p>
fail_options	<p>Options for reporting factor errors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 1: Shows an error message (default)</li> <li>■ 2: Does not show an error message</li> </ul> <p>You can also use the following DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL constants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ G_RULESET_FAIL_SHOW (default)</li> <li>■ G_RULESET_FAIL_SILENT</li> </ul> <p>See "<a href="#">Error Handling Options</a>" on page 5-4 for more information.</p>

**Table 12–15 (Cont.) CREATE\_RULE\_SET Parameters**

Parameter	Description
fail_message	Enter an error message for failure, up to 80 characters in mixed-case, to associate with the fail code you specify for fail_code.
fail_code	Enter a number in the range of -20000 to -20999 or 20000 to 20999 to associate with the fail_message parameter.
handler_options	Select one of the following settings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 0: Disables error handling (default)</li> <li>■ POWER(2, 0): Calls handler on rule set failure</li> <li>■ POWER(2, 1): Calls handler on rule set success</li> </ul> You can also use the following DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL constants: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ G_RULESET_HANDLER_OFF (default)</li> <li>■ G_RULESET_HANDLER_FAIL</li> <li>■ G_RULESET_HANDLER_SUCCESS</li> </ul> See "Error Handling Options" on page 5-4 for more information.
handler	Name of the PL/SQL function or procedure that defines the custom event handler logic. See "Error Handling Options" on page 5-4 for more information.
is_static	Optional. Determines how often a rule set is evaluated when it is accessed. The default is FALSE. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ TRUE: The rule set is evaluated once during the user session. After that, the value is re-used.</li> <li>■ FALSE: The rule set evaluated every time.</li> </ul>

**Example**

```

BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE_SET(
    rule_set_name    => 'Limit_DBA_Access',
    description      => 'DBA access through predefined processes',
    enabled          => 'Y',
    eval_options     => 2,
    audit_options    => DBMS_MACUTL.G_RULESET_AUDIT_FAIL + DBMS_MACUTL.G_RULESET_
AUDIT_SUCCESS,
    fail_options     => 2,
    fail_message     => '',
    fail_code        => 20461,
    handler_options  => DBMS_MACUTL.G_RULESET_HANDLER_FAIL,
    handler          => 'dbavowner.email_alert',
    is_static        => TRUE);
END;
/

```

**See Also:** [Example 14–2, "Creating a Rule Set Using DVSYS.DBMS\\_MACUTL Constants"](#) on page 14-4

**DELETE\_RULE Procedure**

The DELETE\_RULE procedure deletes a rule.

**Syntax**

```

DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_RULE(
  rule_name IN VARCHAR2);

```

**Parameter****Table 12–16** *DELETE\_RULE Parameter*

Parameter	Description
rule_name	<p>Rule name.</p> <p>To find existing rules in the current database instance, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE view, described in "<a href="#">DBA_DV_RULE View</a>" on page 11-27.</p> <p>To find rules that have been associated with rule sets, query DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE_SET_RULE, described in "<a href="#">DBA_DV_RULE_SET_RULE View</a>" on page 11-29.</p>

**Example**

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_RULE('Check UPDATE operations');
```

**DELETE\_RULE\_FROM\_RULE\_SET Procedure**

The DELETE\_RULE\_FROM\_RULE\_SET procedure deletes a rule from a rule set.

**Syntax**

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_RULE_FROM_RULE_SET(
    rule_set_name IN VARCHAR2,
    rule_name      IN VARCHAR2);
```

**Parameters****Table 12–17** *DELETE\_RULE\_FROM\_RULE\_SET Parameters*

Parameter	Description
rule_set_name	<p>Rule set name.</p> <p>To find existing rule sets in the current database instance, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE_SET view, described in "<a href="#">DBA_DV_RULE_SET View</a>" on page 11-27.</p>
rule_name	<p>Rule to remove from the rule set.</p> <p>To find existing rules in the current database instance, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE view, described in "<a href="#">DBA_DV_RULE View</a>" on page 11-27.</p> <p>To find rules that have been associated with rule sets, query DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE_SET_RULE, described in "<a href="#">DBA_DV_RULE_SET_RULE View</a>" on page 11-29.</p>

**Example**

```
BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_RULE_FROM_RULE_SET(
    rule_set_name => 'Limit_DBA_Access',
    rule_name      => 'Check UPDATE operations');
END;
/
```

## DELETE\_RULE\_SET Procedure

The DELETE\_RULE\_SET procedure deletes a rule set.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_RULE_SET(
  rule_set_name IN VARCHAR2);
```

### Parameters

**Table 12–18** DELETE\_RULE\_SET Parameter

Parameter	Description
rule_set_name	Rule set name.  To find existing rule sets in the current database instance, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE_SET view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_RULE_SET View</a> " on page 11-27.

### Example

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_RULE_SET('Limit_DBA_Access');
```

## RENAME\_RULE Procedure

The RENAME\_RULE procedure renames a rule. The name change takes effect everywhere the rule is used.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.RENAME_RULE(
  rule_name IN VARCHAR2,
  new_name IN VARCHAR2);
```

### Parameters

**Table 12–19** RENAME\_RULE Parameters

Parameter	Description
rule_name	Current rule name.  To find existing rules in the current database instance, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_RULE View</a> " on page 11-27.  To find rules that have been associated with rule sets, query DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE_SET_RULE, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_RULE_SET_RULE View</a> " on page 11-29.
new_name	New rule name, up to 90 characters in mixed-case.

### Example

```
BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.RENAME_RULE(
    rule_name => 'Check UPDATE operations',
    new_name  => 'Check Sector 2 Processes');
END;
/
```

## RENAME\_RULE\_SET Procedure

The `RENAME_RULE_SET` procedure renames a rule set. The name change takes effect everywhere the rule set is used.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.RENAME_RULE_SET(
  rule_set_name IN VARCHAR2,
  new_name      IN VARCHAR2);
```

### Parameters

**Table 12–20** *RENAME\_RULE\_SET Parameters*

Parameter	Description
<code>rule_set_name</code>	Current rule set name.  To find existing rule sets in the current database instance, query the <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE_SET</code> view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_RULE_SET View</a> " on page 11-27.
<code>new_name</code>	New rule set name, up to 90 characters in mixed-case. Spaces are allowed.

### Example

```
BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.RENAME_RULE_SET(
    rule_set_name => 'Limit_DBA_Access',
    new_name      => 'Limit Sector 2 Access');
END;
/
```

## SYNC\_RULES Procedure

The `SYNC_RULES` procedure synchronizes the rules in Oracle Database Vault and Advanced Queuing Rules engine. You must perform this operation immediately after you roll back an `ADD_RULE_TO_RULESET`, a `DELETE_RULE`, or an `UPDATE_RULE` operation.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.SYNC_RULES();
```

### Parameters

None.

### Example

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.SYNC_RULES();
```

## UPDATE\_RULE Procedure

The `UPDATE_RULE` procedure updates a rule.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UPDATE_RULE(
  rule_name IN VARCHAR2,
  rule_expr IN VARCHAR2);
```

## Parameters

**Table 12–21 UPDATE\_RULE Parameters**

Parameter	Description
rule_name	<p>Rule name.</p> <p>To find existing rules in the current database instance, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE view, described in "<a href="#">DBA_DV_RULE View</a>" on page 11-27.</p> <p>To find rules that have been associated with rule sets, query DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE_SET_RULE, described in "<a href="#">DBA_DV_RULE_SET_RULE View</a>" on page 11-29.</p>
rule_expr	<p>PL/SQL BOOLEAN expression.</p> <p>If the expression contains quotation marks, do not use double quotation marks. Instead, use two single quotation marks. Enclose the entire expression within single quotation marks. For example:</p> <pre>'TO_CHAR(SYSDATE, 'HH24') = '12''</pre> <p>See "<a href="#">Creating a New Rule</a>" on page 5-6 for more information on rule expressions.</p> <p>To find existing rule expressions, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE view.</p>

## Example

```
BEGIN
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UPDATE_RULE(
  rule_name => 'Check UPDATE operations',
  rule_expr => 'SYS_CONTEXT(''USERENV'', ''SESSION_USER'') = ''SYSADM'' AND
    (
      UPPER(SYS_CONTEXT(''USERENV'', ''MODULE'')) LIKE ''APPSRV%' OR
      UPPER(SYS_CONTEXT(''USERENV'', ''MODULE'')) LIKE ''DBAPP%' )'
    );
END;
/
```

## UPDATE\_RULE\_SET Procedure

The UPDATE\_RULE\_SET procedure updates a rule set.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UPDATE_RULE_SET(
  rule_set_name    IN VARCHAR2,
  description      IN VARCHAR2,
  enabled          IN VARCHAR2,
  eval_options     IN NUMBER,
  audit_options    IN NUMBER,
  fail_options     IN NUMBER,
  fail_message     IN VARCHAR2,
  fail_code        IN NUMBER,
  handler_options  IN NUMBER,
  handler          IN VARCHAR2,
  is_static        IN BOOLEAN DEFAULT FALSE);
```



## Parameters

**Table 12–22 UPDATE\_RULE\_SET Parameters**

Parameter	Description
rule_set_name	<p>Rule set name.</p> <p>To find existing rule sets in the current database instance, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE_SET view, described in "<a href="#">DBA_DV_RULE_SET View</a>" on page 11-27.</p>
description	<p>Description of the purpose of the rule set, up to 1024 characters in mixed-case.</p>
enabled	<p>Y (yes) enables rule set checking; N (no) disables it.</p> <p>You can also use the following DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL constants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ G_YES</li> <li>■ G_NO</li> </ul> <p>The default for the enabled setting is the previously set value, which you can find by querying the DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE_SET data dictionary view.</p>
eval_options	<p>If you plan to assign multiple rules to the rule set, enter one of the following settings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 1: All rules in the rule set must evaluate to true for the rule set itself to evaluate to true.</li> <li>■ 2: At least one rule in the rule set must evaluate to true for the rule set itself to evaluate to true.</li> </ul> <p>You can also use the following DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL constants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ G_RULESET_EVAL_ALL</li> <li>■ G_RULESET_EVAL_ANY</li> </ul> <p>The default for eval_options is the previously set value, which you can find by querying the DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE_SET data dictionary view.</p>
audit_options	<p>Select one of the following settings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 0: Disables auditing for the rule set</li> <li>■ 1: Creates an audit record when a rule set violation occurs</li> <li>■ 2: Creates an audit record for a successful rule set evaluation</li> <li>■ 3: Creates an audit record for both successful and failed rule set evaluations</li> </ul> <p>You can also use the following DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL constants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ G_RULESET_AUDIT_OFF</li> <li>■ G_RULESET_AUDIT_FAIL</li> <li>■ G_RULESET_AUDIT_SUCCESS</li> <li>■ G_RULESET_AUDIT_FAIL + G_RULESET_AUDIT_SUCCESS</li> </ul> <p>The default for audit_options is the previously set value, which you can find by querying the DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE_SET data dictionary view.</p> <p>See "<a href="#">Audit Options</a>" on page 5-4 for more information.</p>

**Table 12–22 (Cont.) UPDATE\_RULE\_SET Parameters**

Parameter	Description
fail_options	<p>Options for reporting factor errors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 1: Shows an error message.</li> <li>■ 2: Does not show an error message.</li> </ul> <p>You can also use the following DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL constants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ G_RULESET_FAIL_SHOW</li> <li>■ G_RULESET_FAIL_SILENT</li> </ul> <p>The default for fail_options is the previously set value, which you can find by querying the DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE_SET data dictionary view.</p> <p>See "Error Handling Options" on page 5-4 for more information.</p>
fail_message	Error message for failure, up to 80 characters in mixed-case, to associate with the fail code you specify for fail_code.
fail_code	Enter a number in the range of -20000 to -20999 or 20000 to 20999 to associate with the fail_message parameter.
handler_options	<p>Select one of the following settings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 0: Disables error handling.</li> <li>■ POWER(2,0): Call handler on rule set failure.</li> <li>■ POWER(2,1): Call handler on rule set success.</li> </ul> <p>You can also use the following DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL constants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ G_RULESET_HANDLER_OFF</li> <li>■ G_RULESET_HANDLER_FAIL</li> <li>■ G_RULESET_HANDLER_SUCCESS</li> </ul> <p>The default for handler_options is the previously set value, which you can find by querying the DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE_SET data dictionary view.</p> <p>See "Error Handling Options" on page 5-4 for more information.</p>
handler	<p>Name of the PL/SQL function or procedure that defines the custom event handler logic.</p> <p>See "Error Handling Options" on page 5-4 for more information.</p>
is_static	<p>Optional. Determines how often a rule set is evaluated when it is accessed by a SQL statement.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ TRUE: The rule set is evaluated once during the user session. After that, the value is re-used.</li> <li>■ FALSE: The rule set evaluated each time a SQL statement accesses it (default).</li> </ul>

**Example**

```

BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UPDATE_RULE_SET(
    rule_set_name    => 'Limit_DBA_Access',
    description      => 'DBA access through predefined processes',
    enabled          => 'Y',
    eval_options     => 2,
    audit_options    => DBMS_MACUTL.G_RULESET_AUDIT_FAIL,
    fail_options     => DBMS_MACUTL.G_RULESET_FAIL_SHOW,
    fail_message     => 'Access denied!',
    fail_code        => 20900,
    handler_options  => DBMS_MACUTL.G_RULESET_HANDLER_OFF,
    handler          => ''
  )

```

```

        is_static      = TRUE);
END;
/

```

## Command Rule Procedures Within DVSYS.DBMS\_MACADM

Table 12–23 lists procedures within the DVSYS.DBMS\_MACADM package that you can use to configure command rules.

Chapter 6, "Configuring Command Rules," describes command rules in detail. See also Chapter 14, "Using the DVSYS.DBMS\_MACUTL Package," for a set of general-purpose utility procedures that you can use with the command rule procedures.

**Table 12–23** DVSYS.DBMS\_MACADM Command Rule Configuration Procedures

Procedure	Description
<a href="#">CREATE_COMMAND_RULE Procedure</a>	Creates a command rule, associates it with a rule set, and lets you enable the command rule for rule checking with a rule set
<a href="#">DELETE_COMMAND_RULE Procedure</a>	Drops a command rule declaration
<a href="#">UPDATE_COMMAND_RULE Procedure</a>	Updates a command rule declaration

### CREATE\_COMMAND\_RULE Procedure

The CREATE\_COMMAND\_RULE procedure creates a command rule, associates it with a rule set, and lets you enable the command rule for rule checking with a rule set.

#### Syntax

```

DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_COMMAND_RULE (
    command          IN VARCHAR2,
    rule_set_name    IN VARCHAR2,
    object_owner     IN VARCHAR2,
    object_name      IN VARCHAR2,
    enabled          IN VARCHAR2);

```

#### Parameters

**Table 12–24** CREATE\_COMMAND\_RULE Parameters

Parameter	Description
command	SQL statement to protect. See also the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <a href="#">"DBA_DV_COMMAND_RULE View"</a> on page 11-18 for a listing of existing command rules</li> <li>▪ <a href="#">"SQL Statements That Can Be Protected by Command Rules"</a> on page 6-3 for a listing of available SQL statements that you can use</li> <li>▪ <i>Oracle Database SQL Language Reference</i> for more information about SQL statements</li> </ul>
rule_set_name	Name of rule set to associate with this command rule. To find existing rule sets in the current database instance, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE_SET view, described in <a href="#">"DBA_DV_RULE_SET View"</a> on page 11-27.

**Table 12–24 (Cont.) CREATE\_COMMAND\_RULE Parameters**

Parameter	Description
object_owner	<p>Database schema to which this command rule will apply. The wildcard % is allowed, except for the SELECT, INSERT, UPDATE, DELETE, and EXECUTE statements.</p> <p>To find the available users, query the DBA_USERS view, described in <i>Oracle Database Reference</i>.</p> <p>See also "Object Owner" in "Creating and Editing a Command Rule" on page 6-4 for more information.</p>
object_name	<p>Object name. (The wildcard % is allowed. See "Object Name" in "Creating and Editing a Command Rule" on page 6-4 for more information about objects protected by command rules.)</p> <p>To find the available objects, query the ALL_OBJECTS view, described in <i>Oracle Database Reference</i>.</p>
enabled	<p>Y (yes) enables the command rule; N (no) disables it. The default is Y.</p> <p>You can also use the following DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL constants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ G_YES</li> <li>■ G_NO</li> </ul>

**Example**

```

BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_COMMAND_RULE(
    command      => 'SELECT',
    rule_set_name => 'Limit Sector 2 Access',
    object_owner  => 'SYSADM',
    object_name   => 'EMP_DATA',
    enabled       => DBMS_MACUTL.G_YES);
END;
/

```

**DELETE\_COMMAND\_RULE Procedure**

The DELETE\_COMMAND\_RULE procedure drops a command rule declaration.

**Syntax**

```

DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_COMMAND_RULE (
  command      IN VARCHAR2,
  object_owner IN VARCHAR2,
  object_name  IN VARCHAR2);

```

**Parameters****Table 12–25 DELETE\_COMMAND\_RULE Parameters**

Parameter	Description
command	<p>SQL statement the command rule protects.</p> <p>To find available command rules, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_COMMAND_RULE view, described in "DBA_DV_COMMAND_RULE View" on page 11-18</p>

**Table 12–25 (Cont.) DELETE\_COMMAND\_RULE Parameters**

Parameter	Description
object_owner	Database schema to which this command rule applies.  To find the available users in the current database instance, query the DBA_USERS view, described in <i>Oracle Database Reference</i> .  See also "Object Owner" in <a href="#">"Creating and Editing a Command Rule"</a> on page 6-4 for more information.
object_name	Object name. (The wildcard % is allowed. See "Object Name" in <a href="#">"Creating and Editing a Command Rule"</a> on page 6-4 for more information about objects protected by command rules.)  To find the available objects, query the ALL_OBJECTS view, described in <i>Oracle Database Reference</i> .

**Example**

```
BEGIN
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_COMMAND_RULE(
  command      => 'SELECT',
  object_owner => 'SYSADM',
  object_name  => 'EMP_DATA');
END;
/
```

**UPDATE\_COMMAND\_RULE Procedure**

The UPDATE\_COMMAND\_RULE procedure updates a command rule declaration.

**Syntax**

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UPDATE_COMMAND_RULE(
  command      IN VARCHAR2,
  rule_set_name IN VARCHAR2,
  object_owner IN VARCHAR2,
  object_name  IN VARCHAR2,
  enabled      IN VARCHAR2);
```

**Parameters****Table 12–26 UPDATE\_COMMAND\_RULE Parameters**

Parameter	Description
command	SQL statement to protect.  See also the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <a href="#">"SQL Statements That Can Be Protected by Command Rules"</a> on page 6-3 for a listing of available SQL statements that you can use</li> <li>▪ <a href="#">"DBA_DV_COMMAND_RULE View"</a> on page 11-18 for a listing of existing command rules</li> <li>▪ <i>Oracle Database SQL Language Reference</i> for more information about SQL statements</li> </ul>
rule_set_name	Name of rule set to associate with this command rule.  To find existing rule sets in the current database instance, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE_SET view, described in <a href="#">"Oracle Database Vault Data Dictionary Views"</a> on page 11-15.

**Table 12–26 (Cont.) UPDATE\_COMMAND\_RULE Parameters**

Parameter	Description
object_owner	Database schema to which this command rule applies.  To find the available users, query the DBA_USERS view, described in <i>Oracle Database Reference</i> . See also "Object Owner" in "Creating and Editing a Command Rule" on page 6-4 for more information.
object_name	Object name. (The wildcard % is allowed. See "Object Name" in "Creating and Editing a Command Rule" on page 6-4 for more information about objects protected by command rules.)  To find the available objects, query the ALL_OBJECTS view, described in <i>Oracle Database Reference</i> .
enabled	Y (yes) enables the command rule; N (no) disables it.  You can also use the following DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL constants: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ G_YES</li> <li>▪ G_NO</li> </ul> The default for enabled is the previously set value, which you can find by querying the DVSYS.DBA_DV_COMMAND_RULE data dictionary view.

**Example**

```

BEGIN
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UPDATE_COMMAND_RULE(
  command      => 'SELECT',
  rule_set_name => 'Limit Sector 2 Access',
  object_owner  => 'SYSADM',
  object_name   => '%',
  enabled       => DBMS_MACUTL.G_NO);
END;
/

```

**Factor Procedures and Functions Within DVSYS.DBMS\_MACADM**

Table 12–27 lists procedures and functions within the DVSYS.DBMS\_MACADM package that you can use to configure factors.

**See Also:**

- [Chapter 7, "Configuring Factors,"](#) for detailed information about factors
- [Chapter 14, "Using the DVSYS.DBMS\\_MACUTL Package,"](#) for a set of general-purpose utility procedures that you can use with the factor procedures
- [Chapter 15, "Using the Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Interfaces,"](#) for a set of PL/SQL interfaces that you can use with factors

**Table 12–27 DVSYS.DBMS\_MACADM Factor Configuration Procedures**

Procedure	Description
<a href="#">ADD_FACTOR_LINK Procedure</a>	Specifies a parent-child relationship for two factors
<a href="#">ADD_POLICY_FACTOR Procedure</a>	Specifies that the label for a factor contributes to the Oracle Label Security label for a policy.
<a href="#">CHANGE_IDENTITY_FACTOR Procedure</a>	Associates an identity with a different factor

**Table 12–27 (Cont.) DVSYS.DBMS\_MACADM Factor Configuration Procedures**

Procedure	Description
<a href="#">CHANGE_IDENTITY_VALUE Procedure</a>	Updates the value of an identity
<a href="#">CREATE_DOMAIN_IDENTITY Procedure</a>	Adds an Oracle Real Application Clusters (Oracle RAC) database node to the domain factor identities and labels it according to the Oracle Label Security policy.
<a href="#">CREATE_FACTOR Procedure</a>	Creates a factor
<a href="#">CREATE_FACTOR_TYPE Procedure</a>	Creates a factor type
<a href="#">CREATE_IDENTITY Procedure</a>	Creates an identity
<a href="#">CREATE_IDENTITY_MAP Procedure</a>	Defines a set of tests that are used to derive the identity of a factor from the value of linked child factors (subfactors)
<a href="#">DELETE_FACTOR Procedure</a>	Deletes a factor
<a href="#">DELETE_FACTOR_LINK Procedure</a>	Removes a parent-child relationship for two factors
<a href="#">DELETE_FACTOR_TYPE Procedure</a>	Deletes a factor type
<a href="#">DELETE_IDENTITY Procedure</a>	Removes an identity
<a href="#">DELETE_IDENTITY_MAP Procedure</a>	Removes an identity map from a factor
<a href="#">DROP_DOMAIN_IDENTITY Procedure</a>	Removes an Oracle RAC database node from a domain
<a href="#">GET_INSTANCE_INFO Function</a>	Returns information from the <code>SYS.V_\$INSTANCE</code> system table about the current database instance; returns a <code>VARCHAR2</code> value
<a href="#">GET_SESSION_INFO Function</a>	Returns information from the <code>SYS.V_\$SESSION</code> system table for the current session; returns a <code>VARCHAR2</code> value
<a href="#">RENAME_FACTOR Procedure</a>	Renames a factor. The name change takes effect everywhere the factor is used.
<a href="#">RENAME_FACTOR_TYPE Procedure</a>	Renames a factor type. The name change takes effect everywhere the factor type is used.
<a href="#">UPDATE_FACTOR Procedure</a>	Updates a factor
<a href="#">UPDATE_FACTOR_TYPE Procedure</a>	Updates the description of a factor type
<a href="#">UPDATE_IDENTITY Procedure</a>	Updates the trust level of a factor identity

## ADD\_FACTOR\_LINK Procedure

The `ADD_FACTOR_LINK` procedure specifies a parent-child relationship for two factors.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.ADD_FACTOR_LINK(
    parent_factor_name IN VARCHAR2,
    child_factor_name  IN VARCHAR2,
    label_indicator    IN VARCHAR2);
```

### Parameters

**Table 12–28 ADD\_FACTOR\_LINK Parameters**

Parameter	Description
<code>parent_factor_name</code>	Parent factor name.  To find existing parent and child factors in the current database instance, query the <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_FACTOR_LINK</code> view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_FACTOR_LINK View</a> " on page 11-20.

**Table 12–28 (Cont.) ADD\_FACTOR\_LINK Parameters**

Parameter	Description
child_factor_name	Child factor name.
label_indicator	<p>Indicates that the child factor being linked to the parent factor contributes to the label of the parent factor in an Oracle Label Security integration. Specify either Y (for Yes) or N (for No).</p> <p>You can also use the following DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL constants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ G_YES</li> <li>▪ G_NO</li> </ul> <p>To find the Oracle Label Security policies and labels associated with factors, query the following views, described in "Oracle Database Vault Data Dictionary Views" on page 11-15:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ DVSYS.DBA_DV_MAC_POLICY: Lists Oracle Label Security policies defined in the current database instance.</li> <li>▪ DVSYS.DBA_DV_MAC_POLICY_FACTOR: Lists the factors that are associated with Oracle Label Security policies for the current database instance.</li> <li>▪ DVSYS.DBA_DV_POLICY_LABEL: Lists the Oracle Label Security label for each factor identifier in the DVSYS.DBA_DV_IDENTITY view for each policy.</li> </ul>

**Example**

```

BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.ADD_FACTOR_LINK(
    parent_factor_name => 'HQ_ClientID',
    child_factor_name  => 'Div1_ClientID',
    label_indicator    => 'Y');
END;
/

```

**ADD\_POLICY\_FACTOR Procedure**

The ADD\_POLICY\_FACTOR procedure specifies that the label for a factor contributes to the Oracle Label Security label for a policy.

**Syntax**

```

DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.ADD_POLICY_FACTOR(
  policy_name IN VARCHAR2,
  factor_name IN VARCHAR2);

```

**Parameters****Table 12–29 ADD\_POLICY\_FACTOR Parameters**

Parameter	Description
policy_name	<p>Oracle Label Security policy name.</p> <p>To find the policies defined in the current database instance, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_MAC_POLICY view, described in "DBA_DV_MAC_POLICY View" on page 11-22.</p> <p>To find factors that are associated with Oracle Label Security policies, query DVSYS.DBA_DV_MAC_POLICY_FACTOR, described in "DBA_DV_MAC_POLICY_FACTOR View" on page 11-23.</p>



**Table 12–29 (Cont.) ADD\_POLICY\_FACTOR Parameters**

Parameter	Description
factor_name	Factor name.  To find existing factors, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_FACTOR view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_FACTOR View</a> " on page 11-18.

**Example**

```
BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.ADD_POLICY_FACTOR(
    policy_name => 'AccessData',
    factor_name => 'Sector2_ClientID');
END;
/
```

**CHANGE\_IDENTITY\_FACTOR Procedure**

The CHANGE\_IDENTITY\_FACTOR procedure associates an identity with a different factor.

**Syntax**

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CHANGE_IDENTITY_FACTOR(
  factor_name IN VARCHAR2,
  value IN VARCHAR2,
  new_factor_name IN VARCHAR2);
```

**Parameters****Table 12–30 CHANGE\_IDENTITY\_FACTOR Parameters**

Parameter	Description
factor_name	Current factor name.  To find existing factors, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_FACTOR view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_FACTOR View</a> " on page 11-18.
value	Value of the identity to update.  To find existing identities for each factor in the current database instance, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_IDENTITY view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_IDENTITY View</a> " on page 11-21.  To find current identity mappings, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_IDENTITY_MAP view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_IDENTITY_MAP View</a> " on page 11-22.
new_factor_name	Name of the factor to associate with the identity, which you can find by querying the DVSYS.DBA_DV_FACTOR view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_FACTOR View</a> " on page 11-18.

**Example**

```
BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CHANGE_IDENTITY_FACTOR(
    factor_name => 'Sector2_ClientID',
    value => 'intranet',
    new_factor_name => 'Sector4_ClientID');
END;
/
```

## CHANGE\_IDENTITY\_VALUE Procedure

The CHANGE\_IDENTITY\_FACTOR procedure updates the value of an identity.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CHANGE_IDENTITY_VALUE(
  factor_name IN VARCHAR2,
  value       IN VARCHAR2,
  new_value  IN VARCHAR2);
```

### Parameters

**Table 12–31** CHANGE\_IDENTITY\_VALUE Parameters

Parameter	Description
factor_name	Factor name.  To find existing factors, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_FACTOR view, described in "DBA_DV_FACTOR View" on page 11-18
value	Current value associated with the identity.  To find existing identities for each factor in the current database instance, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_IDENTITY view, described in "DBA_DV_IDENTITY View" on page 11-21.  To find current identity mappings, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_IDENTITY_MAP view, described in "DBA_DV_IDENTITY_MAP View" on page 11-22.
new_value	New identity value, up to 1024 characters in mixed-case.

### Example

```
BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CHANGE_IDENTITY_VALUE(
    factor_name => 'Sector2_ClientID',
    value       => 'remote',
    new_value  => 'intranet');
END;
/
```

## CREATE\_DOMAIN\_IDENTITY Procedure

The CREATE\_DOMAIN\_IDENTITY procedure adds an Oracle Real Application Clusters (Oracle RAC) database node to the domain factor identities and labels it according to the Oracle Label Security policy.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_DOMAIN_IDENTITY(
  domain_name IN VARCHAR2,
  domain_host IN VARCHAR2,
  policy_name IN VARCHAR2 DEFAULT NULL,
  domain_label IN VARCHAR2 DEFAULT NULL);
```

## Parameters

**Table 12–32 CREATE\_DOMAIN\_IDENTITY Parameters**

Parameter	Description
domain_name	Name of the domain to which to add the host.  To find the logical location of the database within the network structure within a distributed database system, run the <code>DVF.F\$DATABASE_DOMAIN</code> function, described in "Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Factor Functions" on page 15-6.
domain_host	Oracle Real Application Clusters host name being added to the domain.  To find host name of a database, run the <code>DVF.F\$DATABASE_HOSTNAME</code> function, described in "Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Factor Functions" on page 15-6.
policy_name	Oracle Label Security policy name. If you omit the policy name, then the domain is not associated with any policy.  To find the available policies, query the <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_MAC_POLICY</code> view, described in "DBA_DV_MAC_POLICY View" on page 11-22.
domain_label	Name of the domain to which to add the Oracle Label Security policy.

## Examples

```
BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_DOMAIN_IDENTITY (
    domain_name => 'example',
    domain_host => 'mydom_host',
    policy_name => 'AccessData',
    domain_label => 'sensitive');
END;
/
```

## CREATE\_FACTOR Procedure

The `CREATE_FACTOR` procedure creates a factor. After you create a factor, you can give it an identity by using the `CREATE_IDENTITY` procedure, described in "CREATE\_IDENTITY Procedure" on page 12-34.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_FACTOR(
  factor_name      IN VARCHAR2,
  factor_type_name IN VARCHAR2,
  description      IN VARCHAR2,
  rule_set_name    IN VARCHAR2,
  get_expr         IN VARCHAR2,
  validate_expr    IN VARCHAR2,
  identify_by      IN NUMBER,
  labeled_by       IN NUMBER,
  eval_options     IN NUMBER,
  audit_options    IN NUMBER,
  fail_options     IN NUMBER);
```

## Parameters

**Table 12–33 CREATE\_FACTOR Parameters**

Parameter	Description
factor_name	Factor name, up to 28 characters in mixed-case, without spaces.  To find existing factors in the current database instance, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_FACTOR view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_FACTOR View</a> " on page 11-18.
factor_type_name	Type of the factor, up to 30 characters in mixed-case, without spaces.  To find existing factor types, query the DBA_DV_FACTOR_TYPE view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_FACTOR_TYPE View</a> " on page 11-21.
description	Description of the purpose of the factor, up to 1024 characters in mixed-case.
rule_set_name	Rule set name if you want to use a rule set to control when and how a factor identity is set.  To find existing rule sets, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE_SET view, described in " <a href="#">Oracle Database Vault Data Dictionary Views</a> " on page 11-15. See also " <a href="#">Assignment Rule Set</a> " on page 7-8 for more information about assigning rule sets to factors.
get_expr	Valid PL/SQL expression that retrieves the identity of a factor. It can use up to 255 characters in mixed-case. See " <a href="#">Retrieval Method</a> " on page 7-7 for more information. See also the audit_options parameter.
validate_expr	Name of the procedure to validate the factor. This is a valid PL/SQL expression that returns a Boolean value (TRUE or FALSE) to validate the identity of the factor. See " <a href="#">Validation Method</a> " on page 7-8 for more information.
identify_by	Options for determining the identity of a factor, based on the expression set for the get_expr parameter: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 0: By constant</li> <li>▪ 1: By method</li> <li>▪ 2: By factor</li> <li>▪ 3: By context</li> </ul> <p>You can also use the following DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL constants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ G_IDENTIFY_BY_CONSTANT</li> <li>▪ G_IDENTIFY_BY_METHOD</li> <li>▪ G_IDENTIFY_BY_FACTOR</li> <li>▪ G_IDENTIFY_BY_CONTEXT</li> </ul> <p>See "<a href="#">Factor Identification</a>" on page 7-5 for more information.</p>
labeled_by	Options for labeling the factor: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 0: Labels the identities for the factor directly from the labels associated with an Oracle Label Security policy (default)</li> <li>▪ 1: Derives the factor identity label from the labels of its child factor identities.</li> </ul> <p>You can also use the following DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL constants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ G_LABELED_BY_SELF (default)</li> <li>▪ G_LABELED_BY_FACTORS</li> </ul> <p>See "<a href="#">Factor Labeling</a>" on page 7-7 for more information.</p>

**Table 12-33 (Cont.) CREATE\_FACTOR Parameters**

Parameter	Description
eval_options	<p>Options for evaluating the factor when the user logs on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 0: When the database session is created (default)</li> <li>▪ 1: Each time the factor is accessed</li> <li>▪ 2: On start-up</li> </ul> <p>You can also use the following DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL constants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ G_EVAL_ON_SESSION</li> <li>▪ G_EVAL_ON_ACCESS</li> <li>▪ G_EVAL_ON_STARTUP</li> </ul> <p>See "<a href="#">Evaluation</a>" on page 7-7 for more information.</p>
audit_options	<p>Options for auditing the factor if you want to generate a custom Oracle Database Vault audit record.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 0: Disables auditing.</li> <li>▪ POWER(2,0): Always audits.</li> <li>▪ POWER(2,1): Audits if get_expr returns an error.</li> <li>▪ POWER(2,2): Audits if get_expr is null.</li> <li>▪ POWER(2,3): Audits if the validation procedure returns an error.</li> <li>▪ POWER(2,4): Audits if the validation procedure is false.</li> <li>▪ POWER(2,5): Audits if there is no trust level set.</li> <li>▪ POWER(2,6): Audits if the trust level is negative.</li> </ul> <p>You can also use the following DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL constants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ G_AUDIT_OFF</li> <li>▪ G_AUDIT_ALWAYS</li> <li>▪ G_AUDIT_ON_GET_ERROR</li> <li>▪ G_AUDIT_ON_GET_NULL</li> <li>▪ G_AUDIT_ON_VALIDATE_ERROR</li> <li>▪ G_AUDIT_ON_VALIDATE_FALSE</li> <li>▪ G_AUDIT_ON_TRUST_LEVEL_NULL</li> <li>▪ G_AUDIT_ON_TRUST_LEVEL_NEG</li> </ul> <p>See "<a href="#">Audit Options</a>" on page 7-9 for more information.</p>
fail_options	<p>Options for reporting factor errors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ POWER(2,0): Shows an error message (default)</li> <li>▪ POWER(2,1): Does not show an error message</li> </ul> <p>You can also use the following DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL constants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ G_FAIL_WITH_MESSAGE (default)</li> <li>▪ G_FAIL_SILENTLY</li> </ul> <p>See "<a href="#">Error Options</a>" on page 7-10 for more information.</p>

**Example**

```

BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_FACTOR (
    factor_name      => 'Sector2_DB',
    factor_type_name => 'Instance',
    description     => ' ',
    rule_set_name   => 'Limit_DBA_Access',
  )

```

```

get_expr          => 'UPPER(SYS_CONTEXT(''USERENV'', ''DB_NAME''))',
validate_expr     => 'dbavowmer.check_db_access',
identify_by      => 2,
labeled_by       => 0,
eval_options     => DBMS_MACUTL.G_EVAL_ON_SESSION,
audit_options    => DBMS_MACUTL.G_AUDIT_OFF,
fail_options     => DBMS_MACUTL.G_FAIL_SILENTLY);
END;
/

```

## CREATE\_FACTOR\_TYPE Procedure

The CREATE\_FACTOR\_TYPE procedure creates a user-defined factor type.

### Syntax

```

DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_FACTOR_TYPE(
  name          IN VARCHAR2,
  description   IN VARCHAR2);

```

### Parameters

**Table 12-34** CREATE\_FACTOR\_TYPE Parameters

Parameter	Description
name	Factor type name, up to 30 characters in mixed-case, without spaces. To find existing factor types, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_FACTOR_TYPE view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_FACTOR_TYPE View</a> " on page 11-21.
description	Description of the purpose of the factor type, up to 1024 characters in mixed-case.

### Example

```

BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_FACTOR_TYPE(
    name          => 'Sector2Instance',
    description   => 'Checks DB instances used in Sector 2');
END;
/

```

## CREATE\_IDENTITY Procedure

The CREATE\_IDENTITY procedure assigns an identity and an associated trust level for a given factor. After you create a factor, you must assign it an identity.

### Syntax

```

DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_IDENTITY(
  factor_name   IN VARCHAR2,
  value        IN VARCHAR2,
  trust_level  IN NUMBER);

```

## Parameters

**Table 12–35** *CREATE\_IDENTITY Parameters*

Parameter	Description
factor_name	Factor name.  To find existing factors, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_FACTOR view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_FACTOR View</a> " on page 11-18.
value	The actual value of the factor, up to 1024 characters in mixed-case. For example, the identity of an IP_Address factor could be the IP address of 192.0.2.12.
trust_level	Number that indicates the magnitude of trust relative to other identities for the same factor. In general, the higher the trust level number is set, the greater the trust. A trust level of 10 indicates "very trusted." Negative trust levels are not trusted.  See " <a href="#">Creating and Configuring a Factor Identity</a> " on page 7-11 for more information about trust levels and label security.

## Example

```
BEGIN
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_IDENTITY(
  factor_name => 'Sector2_ClientID',
  value       => 'intranet',
  trust_level => 5);
END;
/
```

## CREATE\_IDENTITY\_MAP Procedure

The CREATE\_IDENTITY\_MAP procedure defines a set of tests that are used to derive the identity of a factor from the value of linked child factors (subfactors).

## Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_IDENTITY_MAP(
  identity_factor_name IN VARCHAR2,
  identity_factor_value IN VARCHAR2,
  parent_factor_name   IN VARCHAR2,
  child_factor_name    IN VARCHAR2,
  operation             IN VARCHAR2,
  operand1             IN VARCHAR2,
  operand2             IN VARCHAR2);
```

## Parameters

**Table 12–36** *CREATE\_IDENTITY\_MAP Parameters*

Parameter	Description
identity_factor_name	Factor the identity map is for.  To find existing factors in the current database instance, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_FACTOR view, described in " <a href="#">Oracle Database Vault Data Dictionary Views</a> " on page 11-15.

**Table 12–36 (Cont.) CREATE\_IDENTITY\_MAP Parameters**

Parameter	Description
identity_factor_value	Value the factor assumes if the identity map evaluates to TRUE.  To find existing factor identities, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_IDENTITY view, described in "DBA_DV_IDENTITY View" on page 11-21.  To find current factor identity mappings, use DVSYS.DBA_DV_IDENTITY_MAP, described in "DBA_DV_IDENTITY_MAP View" on page 11-22.
parent_factor_name	The parent factor link to which the map is related.  To find existing parent-child factor mappings, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_IDENTITY_MAP view, described in "DBA_DV_IDENTITY_MAP View" on page 11-22.
child_factor_name	The child factor link to which the map is related.
operation	Relational operator for the identity map (for example, <, >, =, and so on).
operand1	Left operand for the relational operator; refers to the low value you enter.
operand2	Right operand for the relational operator; refers to the high value you enter.

**Example**

```

BEGIN
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_IDENTITY_MAP(
  identity_factor_name => 'Sector2_ClientID',
  identity_factor_value => 'intranet',
  parent_factor_name => 'HQ_ClientID',
  child_factor_name => 'Div1_ClientID',
  operation => '<',
  operand1 => '192.0.2.50',
  operand2 => '192.0.2.100');
END;
/

```

**DELETE\_FACTOR Procedure**

The DELETE\_FACTOR procedure deletes a factor.

**Syntax**

```

DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_FACTOR(
  factor_name IN VARCHAR2);

```

**Parameters****Table 12–37 DELETE\_FACTOR Parameter**

Parameter	Description
factor_name	Factor name.  To find existing factors in the current database instance, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_FACTOR view, described in "DBA_DV_FACTOR View" on page 11-18.



**Example**

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_FACTOR('Sector2_ClientID');
```

**DELETE\_FACTOR\_LINK Procedure**

The `DELETE_FACTOR_LINK` procedure removes a parent-child relationship for two factors.

**Syntax**

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_FACTOR_LINK(
  parent_factor_name IN VARCHAR2,
  child_factor_name  IN VARCHAR2);
```

**Parameters****Table 12–38** *DELETE\_FACTOR\_LINK Parameters*

Parameter	Description
parent_factor_name	Factor name.  To find factors that are used in parent-child mappings in the current database instance, query the <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_FACTOR_LINK</code> view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_FACTOR_LINK View</a> " on page 11-20.
child_factor_name	Factor name.

**Example**

```
BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_FACTOR_LINK(
    parent_factor_name => 'HQ_ClientID',
    child_factor_name  => 'Div1_ClientID');
END;
/
```

**DELETE\_FACTOR\_TYPE Procedure**

The `DELETE_FACTOR_TYPE` procedure deletes a factor type.

**Syntax**

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_FACTOR_TYPE(
  name IN VARCHAR2);
```

**Parameters****Table 12–39** *DELETE\_FACTOR\_TYPE Parameters*

Parameter	Description
name	Factor type name.  To find existing factor types, query the <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_FACTOR_TYPE</code> view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_FACTOR_TYPE View</a> " on page 11-21.

**Example**

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_FACTOR_TYPE('Sector2Instance');
```

## DELETE\_IDENTITY Procedure

The `DELETE_IDENTITY` procedure removes an identity from an existing factor.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_IDENTITY (
  factor_name IN VARCHAR2,
  value       IN VARCHAR2);
```

### Parameters

**Table 12–40** *DELETE\_IDENTITY Parameters*

Parameter	Description
factor_name	Factor name.  To find existing factors in the current database instance, query the <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_FACTOR</code> view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_FACTOR View</a> " on page 11-18.
value	Identity value associated with the factor.  To find the identities for each factor in the current database instance, query the <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_IDENTITY</code> view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_IDENTITY View</a> " on page 11-21.

### Example

```
BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_IDENTITY (
    factor_name => 'Sector2_ClientID',
    value       => 'intranet');
END;
/
```

## DELETE\_IDENTITY\_MAP Procedure

The `DELETE_IDENTITY_MAP` procedure removes an identity map for a factor.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_IDENTITY_MAP (
  identity_factor_name IN VARCHAR2,
  identity_factor_value IN VARCHAR2,
  parent_factor_name   IN VARCHAR2,
  child_factor_name    IN VARCHAR2,
  operation             IN VARCHAR2,
  operand1             IN VARCHAR2,
  operand2             IN VARCHAR2);
```

### Parameters

**Table 12–41** *DELETE\_IDENTITY\_MAP Parameters*

Parameter	Description
identity_factor_name	Factor the identity map is for.  To find existing factors in the current database instance, query the <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_FACTOR</code> view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_FACTOR View</a> " on page 11-18.

**Table 12–41 (Cont.) DELETE\_IDENTITY\_MAP Parameters**

Parameter	Description
identity_factor_value	Value the factor assumes if the identity map evaluates to TRUE.  To find existing factor identities, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_IDENTITY view, described in "DBA_DV_IDENTITY View" on page 11-21.  To find current factor identity mappings, query DVSYS.DBA_DV_IDENTITY_MAP, described in "DBA_DV_IDENTITY_MAP View" on page 11-22.
parent_factor_name	The parent factor link to which the map is related.  To find existing parent-child factors, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_FACTOR view, described in "DBA_DV_FACTOR_LINK View" on page 11-20.
child_factor_name	The child factor to which the map is related.
operation	Relational operator for the identity map (for example, <, >, =, and so on).
operand1	Left (low value) operand for the relational operator.
operand2	Right (high value) operand for the relational operator.

**Example**

```

BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_IDENTITY_MAP(
    identity_factor_name => 'Sector2_ClientID',
    identity_factor_value => 'intranet',
    parent_factor_name   => 'HQ_ClientID',
    child_factor_name    => 'Div1_ClientID',
    operation             => '<',
    operand1             => '192.0.2.10',
    operand2             => '192.0.2.15');
END;
/

```

**DROP\_DOMAIN\_IDENTITY Procedure**

The DROP\_DOMAIN\_IDENTITY procedure removes an Oracle Real Application Clusters database node from a domain.

**Syntax**

```

DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DROP_DOMAIN_IDENTITY(
  domain_name  IN VARCHAR2,
  domain_host  IN VARCHAR2);

```

**Parameters****Table 12–42 DROP\_DOMAIN\_IDENTITY Parameters**

Parameter	Description
domain_name	Name of the domain to which the host was added.  To find the domain of a database as specified by the DB_DOMAIN initialization parameter, run the DVF.F\$DATABASE_DOMAIN function, described in "Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Factor Functions" on page 15-6.

**Table 12–42 (Cont.) DROP\_DOMAIN\_IDENTITY Parameters**

Parameter	Description
domain_host	Oracle Real Application Clusters host name being that was added to the domain.  To find the host name for a specified database, run the <code>DVF.F\$DATABASE_HOSTNAME</code> function, described in "Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Factor Functions" on page 15-6.

**Example**

```
BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DROP_DOMAIN_IDENTITY (
    domain_name => 'example',
    domain_host => 'mydom_host');
END;
/
```

**GET\_INSTANCE\_INFO Function**

The `GET_INSTANCE_INFO` function returns information from the `SYS.V_$INSTANCE` system table about the current database instance. The `V$INSTANCE` data dictionary view also contains database instance information from this table. See *Oracle Database Reference* for more information.

**Syntax**

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.GET_INSTANCE_INFO (
  p_parameter IN VARCHAR2)
RETURN VARCHAR2;
```

**Parameters****Table 12–43 GET\_INSTANCE\_INFO Parameter**

Parameter	Description
p_parameter	Column name in the <code>SYS.V_\$INSTANCE</code> system table

**Example**

```
DECLARE
  instance_var varchar2 := null;
BEGIN
  instance_var = DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.GET_INSTANCE_INFO('INSTANCE_NAME');
END;
/
```

**GET\_SESSION\_INFO Function**

The `GET_SESSION_INFO` function returns information from the `SYS.V_$SESSION` system table for the current session. The `V$SESSION` data dictionary view also contains session information from this table. See *Oracle Database Reference* for more information.

**Syntax**

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.GET_SESSION_INFO (
  p_parameter IN VARCHAR2)
RETURN VARCHAR2;
```

## Parameters

**Table 12–44** *GET\_SESSION\_INFO Parameter*

Parameter	Description
p_parameter	Column name in the SYS.V_\$SESSION system table.

## Example

```
DECLARE
  session_var varchar2 := null;
BEGIN
  session_var = DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.GET_SESSION_INFO('PROCESS');
END;
/
```

## RENAME\_FACTOR Procedure

The `RENAME_FACTOR` procedure renames a factor. The name change takes effect everywhere the factor is used.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.RENAME_FACTOR(
  factor_name      IN VARCHAR2,
  new_factor_name IN VARCHAR2);
```

## Parameters

**Table 12–45** *RENAME\_FACTOR Parameters*

Parameter	Description
factor_name	Current factor name.  To find existing factors in the current database instance, query the <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_FACTOR</code> view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_FACTOR View</a> " on page 11-18.
new_factor_name	New factor name, up to 28 characters in mixed-case, without spaces.

## Example

```
BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.RENAME_FACTOR(
    factor_name      => 'Sector2_ClientID',
    new_factor_name => 'Sector2_Clients');
END;
/
```

## RENAME\_FACTOR\_TYPE Procedure

The `RENAME_FACTOR_TYPE` procedure renames a factor type. The name change takes effect everywhere the factor type is used.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.RENAME_FACTOR_TYPE(
  old_name IN VARCHAR2,
  new_name IN VARCHAR2);
```

## Parameters

**Table 12–46** *RENAME\_FACTOR\_TYPE Parameters*

Parameter	Description
old_name	Current factor type name.  To find existing factor types in the current database instance, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_FACTOR_TYPE view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_FACTOR_TYPE View</a> " on page 11-21.
new_name	New factor type name, up to 30 characters in mixed-case, without spaces.

## Example

```
BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.RENAME_FACTOR_TYPE (
    old_name => 'Sector2Instance',
    new_name => 'Sector2DBInstance');
END;
/
```

## UPDATE\_FACTOR Procedure

The UPDATE\_FACTOR procedure updates the description of a factor type.

## Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UPDATE_FACTOR (
  factor_name          IN VARCHAR2,
  factor_type_name    IN VARCHAR2,
  description          IN VARCHAR2,
  rule_set_name       IN VARCHAR2,
  get_expr            IN VARCHAR2,
  validate_expr       IN VARCHAR2,
  identify_by         IN NUMBER,
  labeled_by          IN NUMBER,
  eval_options        IN NUMBER,
  audit_options       IN NUMBER,
  fail_options        IN NUMBER);
```

## Parameters

**Table 12–47** *UPDATE\_FACTOR*

Parameter	Description
factor_name	Factor name.  To find existing factors in the current database instance, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_FACTOR view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_FACTOR View</a> " on page 11-18.
factor_type_name	Factor type name.  To find existing factor types, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_FACTOR_TYPE view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_FACTOR_TYPE View</a> " on page 11-21.
description	Description of the purpose of the factor, up to 1024 characters in mixed-case.

**Table 12–47 (Cont.) UPDATE\_FACTOR**

Parameter	Description
rule_set_name	<p>Name of the rule set used to control when and how a factor identity is set.</p> <p>To find existing rule sets, query the <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE_SET</code> view, described in "Oracle Database Vault Data Dictionary Views" on page 11-15.</p> <p>See also "Assignment Rule Set" on page 7-8 for more information about assigning rule sets to factors.</p>
get_expr	<p>Valid PL/SQL expression that retrieves the identity of a factor. It can use up to 255 characters in mixed-case. See "Retrieval Method" on page 7-7 for more information. See also the <code>audit_options</code> parameter.</p>
validate_expr	<p>Name of the procedure to validate factor. This is a valid PL/SQL expression that returns a Boolean value (<code>TRUE</code> or <code>FALSE</code>) to validate the identity of the factor. See "Validation Method" on page 7-8 for more information.</p>
identify_by	<p>Options for determining the identity of a factor, based on the expression set for the <code>get_expr</code> parameter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 0: By constant</li> <li>▪ 1: By method</li> <li>▪ 2: By factor</li> <li>▪ 3: By context</li> </ul> <p>You can also use the following <code>DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL</code> constants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <code>G_IDENTIFY_BY_CONSTANT</code></li> <li>▪ <code>G_IDENTIFY_BY_METHOD</code></li> <li>▪ <code>G_IDENTIFY_BY_FACTOR</code></li> <li>▪ <code>G_IDENTIFY_BY_CONTEXT</code></li> </ul> <p>See "Factor Identification" on page 7-5 for more information.</p>
labeled_by	<p>Options for labeling the factor:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 0: Labels the identities for the factor directly from the labels associated with an Oracle Label Security policy</li> <li>▪ 1: Derives the factor identity label from the labels of its child factor identities.</li> </ul> <p>You can also use the following <code>DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL</code> constants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <code>G_LABELED_BY_SELF</code></li> <li>▪ <code>G_LABELED_BY_FACTORS</code></li> </ul> <p>The default for <code>labeled_by</code> is the previously set value, which you can find by querying the <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_FACTOR</code> data dictionary view.</p> <p>See "Factor Labeling" on page 7-7 for more information.</p>

**Table 12–47 (Cont.) UPDATE\_FACTOR**

Parameter	Description
eval_options	<p>Options for evaluating the factor when the user logs on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 0: When the database session is created</li> <li>■ 1: Each time the factor is accessed</li> <li>■ 2: On start-up</li> </ul> <p>You can also use the following DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL constants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ G_EVAL_ON_SESSION</li> <li>■ G_EVAL_ON_ACCESS</li> <li>■ G_EVAL_ON_ACCESS</li> </ul> <p>The default for eval_options is the previously set value, which you can find by querying the DVSYS.DBA_DV_FACTOR data dictionary view.</p> <p>See <a href="#">"Evaluation"</a> on page 7-7 for more information.</p>
audit_options	<p>Options for auditing the factor if you want to generate a custom Oracle Database Vault audit record.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 0: Disables auditing.</li> <li>■ POWER(2,0): Always audits.</li> <li>■ POWER(2,1): Audits if get_expr returns an error.</li> <li>■ POWER(2,2): Audits if get_expr is null.</li> <li>■ POWER(2,3): Audits if the validation procedure returns an error.</li> <li>■ POWER(2,4): Audits if the validation procedure is false.</li> <li>■ POWER(2,5): Audits if there is no trust level set.</li> <li>■ POWER(2,6): Audits if the trust level is negative.</li> </ul> <p>You can also use the following DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL constants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ G_AUDIT_OFF</li> <li>■ G_AUDIT_ALWAYS</li> <li>■ G_AUDIT_ON_GET_ERROR</li> <li>■ G_AUDIT_ON_GET_NULL</li> <li>■ G_AUDIT_ON_VALIDATE_ERROR</li> <li>■ G_AUDIT_ON_VALIDATE_FALSE</li> <li>■ G_AUDIT_ON_TRUST_LEVEL_NULL</li> <li>■ G_AUDIT_ON_TRUST_LEVEL_NEG</li> </ul> <p>The default for audit_options is the previously set value, which you can find by querying the DVSYS.DBA_DV_FACTOR data dictionary view.</p> <p>See <a href="#">"Audit Options"</a> on page 7-9 for more information.</p>
fail_options	<p>Options for reporting factor errors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ POWER(2,0): Shows an error message.</li> <li>■ POWER(2,1): Does not show an error message.</li> </ul> <p>You can also use the following DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL constants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ G_FAIL_WITH_MESSAGE</li> <li>■ G_FAIL_SILENTLY</li> </ul> <p>The default for fail_options is the previously set value, which you can find by querying the DVSYS.DBA_DV_FACTOR data dictionary view.</p> <p>See <a href="#">"Error Options"</a> on page 7-10 for more information.</p>



**Example**

```

BEGIN
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UPDATE_FACTOR (
  factor_name      => 'Sector2_DB',
  factor_type_name => 'Instance',
  description      => ' ',
  rule_set_name    => 'Limit_DBA_Access',
  get_expr         => 'UPPER(SYS_CONTEXT(''USERENV'', ''DB_NAME''))',
  validate_expr    => 'dbavowner.check_db_access',
  identify_by      => 2,
  labeled_by       => 0,
  eval_options     => DBMS_MACUTL.G_EVAL_ON_ACCESS,
  audit_options    => DBMS_MACUTL.G_AUDIT_ALWAYS,
  fail_options     => DBMS_MACUTL.G_FAIL_WITH_MESSAGE);
END;
/

```

**UPDATE\_FACTOR\_TYPE Procedure**

The UPDATE\_FACTOR\_TYPE procedure updates a factor type.

**Syntax**

```

DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UPDATE_FACTOR_TYPE (
  name           IN VARCHAR2,
  description    IN VARCHAR2);

```

**Parameters****Table 12-48 UPDATE\_FACTOR\_TYPE Parameters**

Parameter	Description
name	Factor type name.  To find existing factor types in the current database instance, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_FACTOR_TYPE view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_FACTOR_TYPE View</a> " on page 11-21.
description	Description of the purpose of the factor type, up to 1024 characters in mixed case.

**Example**

```

BEGIN
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UPDATE_FACTOR_TYPE (
  name           => 'Sector2DBInstance',
  description    => 'Checks DB instances used in Sector 2');
END;
/

```

**UPDATE\_IDENTITY Procedure**

The UPDATE\_IDENTITY procedure updates the trust level of a factor identity.

**Syntax**

```

DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UPDATE_IDENTITY (
  factor_name  IN VARCHAR2,
  value        IN VARCHAR2,
  trust_level  IN NUMBER);

```

## Parameters

**Table 12–49 UPDATE\_IDENTITY Parameters**

Parameter	Description
factor_name	Factor name.  To find existing factors in the current database instance, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_FACTOR view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_FACTOR View</a> " on page 11-18.  To find factors that have identities, query DVSYS.DBA_DV_IDENTITY, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_IDENTITY View</a> " on page 11-21.
value	New factor identity, up to 1024 characters in mixed-case. For example, the identity of an IP_Address factor could be the IP address of 192.0.2.12.
trust_level	Number that indicates the magnitude of trust relative to other identities for the same factor. In general, the higher the trust level number is set, the greater the trust. A trust level of 10 indicates "very trusted." Negative trust levels are not trusted.  See " <a href="#">Creating and Configuring a Factor Identity</a> " on page 7-11 for more information about trust levels and label security.

## Example

```
BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UPDATE_IDENTITY(
    factor_name => 'Sector2_ClientID',
    value       => 'intranet',
    trust_level => 10);
END;
/
```

## Secure Application Role Procedures Within DVSYS.DBMS\_MACADM

[Table 12–50](#) lists procedures within the DVSYS.DBMS\_MACADM package that you can use to configure Oracle Database Vault secure application roles.

[Chapter 8, "Configuring Secure Application Roles for Oracle Database Vault,"](#) describes secure application roles in detail. See also [Chapter 14, "Using the DVSYS.DBMS\\_MACUTL Package,"](#) for a set of general-purpose utility procedures that you can use with the secure application role procedures.

**Table 12–50 DVSYS.DBMS\_MACADM Secure Application Role Configuration Procedures**

Procedure	Description
<a href="#">CREATE_ROLE Procedure</a>	Creates an Oracle Database Vault secure application role
<a href="#">DELETE_ROLE Procedure</a>	Deletes an Oracle Database Vault secure application role
<a href="#">RENAME_ROLE Procedure</a>	Renames an Oracle Database Vault secure application role. The name change takes effect everywhere the role is used.
<a href="#">UPDATE_ROLE Procedure</a>	Updates a Oracle Database Vault secure application role

## CREATE\_ROLE Procedure

The CREATE\_ROLE procedure creates an Oracle Database Vault secure application role.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_ROLE (
```

```

role_name      IN VARCHAR2,
enabled        IN VARCHAR2,
rule_set_name  IN VARCHAR2);

```

## Parameters

**Table 12-51 CREATE\_ROLE Parameters**

Parameter	Description
role_name	<p>Role name, up to 30 characters, with no spaces. Preferably, enter the role name in upper case letters, though you are not required to do so.</p> <p>To find existing secure application roles in the current database instance, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_ROLE view, described in "<a href="#">DBA_DV_ROLE View</a>" on page 11-26.</p>
enabled	<p>Y (yes) makes the role available for enabling; N (no) prevents the role from being enabled. The default is Y.</p> <p>You can also use the following DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL constants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ G_YES</li> <li>■ G_NO</li> </ul>
rule_set_name	<p>Name of rule set to determine whether a user can set this secure application role.</p> <p>To find existing rule sets in the current database instance, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE_SET view, described in "<a href="#">DBA_DV_RULE_SET View</a>" on page 11-27.</p>

## Example

```

BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_ROLE(
    role_name      => 'Sector2_APP_MGR',
    enabled        => 'Y',
    rule_set_name  => 'Check App2 Access');
END;
/

```

## DELETE\_ROLE Procedure

The DELETE\_ROLE procedure deletes an Oracle Database Vault secure application role.

### Syntax

```

DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_ROLE(
  role_name IN VARCHAR2);

```

## Parameters

**Table 12-52 DELETE\_ROLE Parameter**

Parameter	Description
role_name	<p>Role name.</p> <p>To find existing secure application roles in the current database instance, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_ROLE view, described in "<a href="#">DBA_DV_ROLE View</a>" on page 11-26.</p>

## Example

```

EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_ROLE('SECT2_APP_MGR');

```

## RENAME\_ROLE Procedure

The `RENAME_ROLE` procedure renames an Oracle Database Vault secure application role. The name change takes effect everywhere the role is used.

### Syntax

```
DVSYSDSYS.DBMS_MACADM.RENAME_ROLE(
  role_name      IN VARCHAR2,
  new_role_name  IN VARCHAR2);
```

### Parameters

**Table 12–53** *RENAME\_ROLE Parameters*

Parameter	Description
role_name	Current role name. Preferably, enter the role name in upper case letters, though you are not required to do so.  To find existing secure application roles in the current database instance, query the <code>DVSYSDSYS.DBA_DV_ROLE</code> view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_ROLE View</a> " on page 11-26.
new_role_name	Role name, up to 30 characters, in uppercase, with no spaces. Ensure that this name follows the standard Oracle naming conventions for role creation described in <i>Oracle Database SQL Language Reference</i> .

### Example

```
BEGIN
  DVSYSDSYS.DBMS_MACADM.RENAME_ROLE(
    role_name      => 'SECT2_APP_MGR',
    new_role_name  => 'SECT2_SYSADMIN');
END;
/
```

## UPDATE\_ROLE Procedure

The `UPDATE_ROLE` procedure updates a Oracle Database Vault secure application role.

### Syntax

```
DVSYSDSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UPDATE_ROLE(
  role_name      IN VARCHAR2,
  enabled        IN VARCHAR2,
  rule_set_name  IN VARCHAR2);
```

### Parameters

**Table 12–54** *UPDATE\_ROLE Parameters*

Parameter	Description
role_name	Role name.  To find existing secure application roles in the current database instance, query the <code>DVSYSDSYS.DBA_DV_ROLE</code> view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_ROLE View</a> " on page 11-26.

**Table 12–54 (Cont.) UPDATE\_ROLE Parameters**

Parameter	Description
enabled	<p>Y (yes) makes the role available for enabling; N (no) prevents the role from being enabled.</p> <p>You can also use the following DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL constants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ G_YES</li> <li>▪ G_NO</li> </ul> <p>The default for enabled is the previously set value, which you can find by querying the DVSYS.DBA_DV_ROLE data dictionary view.</p>
rule_set_name	<p>Name of rule set to determine whether a user can set this secure application role.</p> <p>To find existing rule sets in the current database instance, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE_SET view, described in "<a href="#">DBA_DV_RULE_SET View</a>" on page 11-27.</p>

**Example**

```

BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UPDATE_ROLE(
    role_name      => 'SECT2_SYSADMIN',
    enabled        => 'Y',
    rule_set_name  => 'System Access Controls');
END;
/

```

## Oracle Label Security Policy Procedures Within DVSYS.DBMS\_MACADM

[Table 12–55](#) lists procedures within the DVSYS.DBMS\_MACADM package that you can use to configure Oracle Label Security policies for Oracle Database Vault.

[Chapter 9, "Integrating Oracle Database Vault with Other Oracle Products,"](#) describes Oracle Label Security policies in detail. See also [Chapter 14, "Using the DVSYS.DBMS\\_MACUTL Package,"](#) for a set of general-purpose utility procedures that you can use with the Oracle Label Security policy procedures.

**Table 12–55 DVSYS.DBMS\_MACADM Oracle Label Security Configuration Procedures**

Procedure	Description
<a href="#">CREATE_MAC_POLICY Procedure</a>	Specifies the algorithm that is used to merge labels when computing the label for a factor, or the Oracle Label Security Session label
<a href="#">CREATE_POLICY_LABEL Procedure</a>	Labels an identity within an Oracle Label Security policy
<a href="#">DELETE_MAC_POLICY_CASCADE Procedure</a>	Deletes all Oracle Database Vault objects related to an Oracle Label Security policy.
<a href="#">DELETE_POLICY_FACTOR Procedure</a>	Removes the factor from contributing to the Oracle Label Security label
<a href="#">DELETE_POLICY_LABEL Procedure</a>	Removes the label from an identity within an Oracle Label Security policy
<a href="#">UPDATE_MAC_POLICY Procedure</a>	Specifies the algorithm that is used to merge labels when computing the label for a factor, or the Oracle Label Security Session label

## CREATE\_MAC\_POLICY Procedure

The CREATE\_MAC\_POLICY procedure specifies the algorithm that is used to merge labels when computing the label for a factor, or the Oracle Label Security Session label.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_MAC_POLICY(
  policy_name IN VARCHAR2,
  algorithm   IN VARCHAR2);
```

### Parameters

**Table 12–56 CREATE\_MAC\_POLICY Parameters**

Parameter	Description
policy_name	Name of an existing policy.  To find existing policies in the current database instance, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_MAC_POLICY view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_MAC_POLICY View</a> " on page 11-22.
algorithm	Merge algorithm for cases when Oracle Label Security has merged two labels. Enter the code listed in <a href="#">Table 12–57</a> that corresponds to the merge algorithm you want. For example, enter HUU to if you want to select the Maximum Level/Union/Union merge algorithm.  For more information on label-merging algorithms, see <i>Oracle Label Security Administrator's Guide</i> .

**Table 12–57 Oracle Label Security Merge Algorithm Codes**

Code	Value
HUU	Maximum Level/Union/Union
HIU	Maximum Level/Intersection/Union
HMU	Maximum Level/Minus/Union
HNU	Maximum Level/Null/Union
HUI	Maximum Level/Union/Intersection
HI I	Maximum Level/Intersection/Intersection
HMI	Maximum Level/Minus/Intersection
HNI	Maximum Level/Null/Intersection
HUM	Maximum Level/Union/Minus
HIM	Maximum Level/Intersection/Minus
HMM	Maximum Level/Minus/Minus
HNM	Maximum Level/Null/Minus
HUN	Maximum Level/Union/Null
HIN	Maximum Level/Intersection/Null
HMN	Maximum Level/Minus/Null
HNN	Maximum Level/Null/Null
LUU	Minimum Level/Union/Union
LIU	Minimum Level/Intersection/Union

**Table 12–57 (Cont.) Oracle Label Security Merge Algorithm Codes**

<b>Code</b>	<b>Value</b>
LMU	Minimum Level/Minus/Union
LNU	Minimum Level/Null/Union
LUI	Minimum Level/Union/Intersection
LII	Minimum Level/Intersection/Intersection
LMI	Minimum Level/Minus/Intersection
LNI	Minimum Level/Null/Intersection
LUM	Minimum Level/Union/Minus
LIM	Minimum Level/Intersection/Minus
LMM	Minimum Level/Minus/Minus
LMN	Minimum Level/Null/Minus
LUN	Minimum Level/Union/Null
LIN	Minimum Level/Intersection/Null
LMN	Minimum Level/Minus/Null
LNN	Minimum Level/Null/Null

**Example**

```

BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_MAC_POLICY(
    policy_name => 'Access Locations',
    algorithm   => 'HUU');
END;
/

```

**CREATE\_POLICY\_LABEL Procedure**

The `CREATE_POLICY_LABEL` procedure labels an identity within an Oracle Label Security policy.

**Syntax**

```

DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_POLICY_LABEL(
  identity_factor_name  IN VARCHAR2,
  identity_factor_value IN VARCHAR2,
  policy_name           IN VARCHAR2,
  label                 IN VARCHAR2);

```

## Parameters

**Table 12–58 CREATE\_POLICY\_LABEL Parameters**

Parameter	Description
identity_factor_name	<p>Name of the factor being labeled.</p> <p>To find existing factors in the current database instance, query the <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_FACTOR</code> view, described in "<a href="#">DBA_DV_FACTOR View</a>" on page 11-18.</p> <p>To find factors that are associated with Oracle Label Security policies, use <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_MAC_POLICY_FACTOR</code>, described in "<a href="#">DBA_DV_MAC_POLICY_FACTOR View</a>" on page 11-23.</p> <p>See also "<a href="#">Label Security Policy Factors</a>" on page 9-5 for more information.</p>
identity_factor_value	<p>Value of identity for the factor being labeled.</p> <p>To find the identities of existing factors in the current database instance, query the <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_IDENTITY</code> view, described in "<a href="#">DBA_DV_IDENTITY View</a>" on page 11-21.</p>
policy_name	<p>Name of an existing policy.</p> <p>To find existing policies in the current database instance, query the <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_MAC_POLICY</code> view, described in "<a href="#">DBA_DV_MAC_POLICY View</a>" on page 11-22.</p>
label	<p>Oracle Label Security label name.</p> <p>To find existing policy labels for factor identifiers, query the <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_POLICY_LABEL</code> view, described in "<a href="#">DBA_DV_POLICY_LABEL View</a>" on page 11-24.</p>

## Example

```
BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_POLICY_LABEL(
    identity_factor_name => 'App_Host_Name',
    identity_factor_value => 'Sect2_Fin_Apps',
    policy_name          => 'Access Locations',
    label                => 'Sensitive');
END;
/
```

## DELETE\_MAC\_POLICY\_CASCADE Procedure

The `DELETE_MAC_POLICY_CASCADE` procedure deletes all Oracle Database Vault objects related to an Oracle Label Security policy.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_MAC_POLICY_CASCADE(
  policy_name IN VARCHAR2);
```



## Parameters

**Table 12–59 DELETE\_MAC\_POLICY\_CASCADE Parameter**

Parameter	Description
policy_name	Name of an existing policy.  To find existing policies in the current database instance, query the <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_MAC_POLICY</code> view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_MAC_POLICY View</a> " on page 11-22.

### Example

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_MAC_POLICY_CASCADE('Access Locations');
```

## DELETE\_POLICY\_FACTOR Procedure

The `DELETE_POLICY_FACTOR` procedure removes the factor from contributing to the Oracle Label Security label.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_POLICY_FACTOR(
  policy_name IN VARCHAR2,
  factor_name IN VARCHAR2);
```

## Parameters

**Table 12–60 DELETE\_POLICY\_FACTOR Parameters**

Parameter	Description
policy_name	Name of an existing policy.  To find existing policies in the current database instance, query the <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_MAC_POLICY</code> view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_MAC_POLICY View</a> " on page 11-22.
factor_name	Name of factor associated with the Oracle Label Security label.  To find factors that are associated with Oracle Label Security policies, query <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_MAC_POLICY_FACTOR</code> , described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_MAC_POLICY_FACTOR View</a> " on page 11-23.

### Example

```
BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_POLICY_FACTOR(
    policy_name => 'Access Locations',
    factor_name => 'App_Host_Name');
END;
/
```

## DELETE\_POLICY\_LABEL Procedure

The `DELETE_POLICY_LABEL` procedure removes the label from an identity within an Oracle Label Security policy.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_POLICY_LABEL(
  identity_factor_name IN VARCHAR2,
  identity_factor_value IN VARCHAR2,
  policy_name          IN VARCHAR2,
```

```
label          IN VARCHAR2);
```

## Parameters

**Table 12–61** *DELETE\_POLICY\_LABEL Parameters*

Parameter	Description
identity_factor_name	Name of the factor that was labeled.  To find existing factors in the current database instance that are associated with Oracle Label Security policies, query <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_MAC_POLICY_FACTOR</code> , described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_MAC_POLICY_FACTOR View</a> " on page 11-23.  See also " <a href="#">Label Security Policy Factors</a> " on page 9-5 for more information.
identity_factor_value	Value of identity for the factor that was labeled.  To find the identities of existing factors in the current database instance, query the <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_IDENTITY</code> view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_IDENTITY View</a> " on page 11-21.
policy_name	Name of an existing policy.  To find existing policies in the current database instance, query the <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_MAC_POLICY</code> view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_MAC_POLICY View</a> " on page 11-22.
label	Oracle Label Security label name.  To find existing policy labels for factor identifiers, query the <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_POLICY_LABEL</code> view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_POLICY_LABEL View</a> " on page 11-24.

## Example

```
BEGIN
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.DELETE_POLICY_LABEL(
  identity_factor_name => 'App_Host_Name',
  identity_factor_value => 'Sect2_Fin_Apps',
  policy_name         => 'Access Locations',
  label               => 'Sensitive');
END;
/
```

## UPDATE\_MAC\_POLICY Procedure

The `UPDATE_MAC_POLICY` procedure specifies the algorithm that is used to merge labels when computing the label for a factor, or the Oracle Label Security Session label.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UPDATE_MAC_POLICY(
  policy_name IN VARCHAR2,
  algorithm   IN VARCHAR2);
```

## Parameters

**Table 12–62 UPDATE\_MAC\_POLICY**

Parameter	Description
policy_name	Name of an existing policy.  To find existing policies in the current database instance, query the <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_MAC_POLICY</code> view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_MAC_POLICY View</a> " on page 11-22.
algorithm	Merge algorithm for cases when Oracle Label Security has merged two labels. See <a href="#">Table 12–57</a> on page 12-50 for listing of the available algorithms.  For more information on label-merging algorithms, see <i>Oracle Label Security Administrator's Guide</i> .

## Example

```
BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UPDATE_MAC_POLICY(
    policy_name => 'Access Locations',
    algorithm   => 'LUI');
END;
/
```

## General System Maintenance Procedures Within DVSYS.DBMS\_MACADM

[Table 12–63](#) lists the procedures within the `DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM` PL/SQL package that you can use to perform general maintenance activities that require the protection of the `DV_OWNER` or `DV_ADMIN` role.

**Table 12–63 DVSYS.DBMS\_MACADM Disable/Enable Procedures**

Procedure	Description
<a href="#">AUTHORIZE_DATAPUMP_USER Procedure</a>	Authorizes a user to perform Oracle Data Pump operations when Oracle Database Vault is enabled
<a href="#">AUTHORIZE_SCHEDULER_USER Procedure</a>	Authorizes a user to schedule database jobs when Oracle Database Vault is enabled
<a href="#">UNAUTHORIZE_DATAPUMP_USER Procedure</a>	Revokes the authorization that was granted by the <code>DBMS_MACADM.AUTHORIZE_DATAPUMP_USER</code> procedure
<a href="#">UNAUTHORIZE_SCHEDULER_USER Procedure</a>	Revokes authorization that was granted by the <code>DBMS_MACADM.AUTHORIZE_SCHEDULER_USER</code> procedure

## AUTHORIZE\_DATAPUMP\_USER Procedure

The `AUTHORIZE_DATAPUMP_USER` procedure authorizes a user to perform Oracle Data Pump operations when Oracle Database Vault is enabled. It applies to both the `expdp` and `impdp` utilities. See "[Granting a Database Administrator Authorization to Use Oracle Data Pump](#)" on page 10-6 for full usage information, including the levels of additional authorization the user must have to use Oracle Data Pump in an Oracle Database Vault environment.

## Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.AUTHORIZE_DATAPUMP_USER (
```

```

user_name      IN VARCHAR2,
schema_name    IN VARCHAR2 DEFAULT NULL,
table_name     IN VARCHAR2 DEFAULT NULL);

```

### Parameters

**Table 12–64 AUTHORIZE\_DATAPUMP\_USER**

Parameter	Description
user_name	<p>Name of the Oracle Data Pump user to whom you want to grant authorization.</p> <p>To find a list of users who have privileges to use Oracle Data Pump (that is, the EXP_FULL_DATABASE and IMP_FULL_DATABASE roles), query the DBA_ROLE_PRIVS data dictionary view as follows:</p> <pre>SELECT GRANTEE, GRANTED_ROLE FROM DBA_ROLE_PRIVS WHERE GRANTED_ROLE LIKE '%FULL%'</pre>
schema_name	<p>Name of the database schema that the Oracle Data Pump user must export or import. If you omit this parameter, then the user is granted global authorization to export and import any schema in the database. In this case, ensure the user has been granted the DV_OWNER or DV_ADMIN role.</p>
table_name	<p>Name of the table within the schema specified by the schema_name parameter. If you omit this parameter, then the user you specified can export and import all tables within the schema specified by the schema_name parameter.</p>

### Examples

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.AUTHORIZE_DATAPUMP_USER('DP_MGR');
```

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.AUTHORIZE_DATAPUMP_USER('DP_MGR', 'HR');
```

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.AUTHORIZE_DATAPUMP_USER('DP_MGR', 'HR', 'EMPLOYEES');
```

## AUTHORIZE\_SCHEDULER\_USER Procedure

The AUTHORIZE\_SCHEDULER\_USER procedure grants a user authorization to schedule database jobs when Oracle Database Vault is enabled. This authorization applies to anyone who has privileges to schedule database jobs. These privileges include any of the following: CREATE JOB, CREATE ANY JOB, CREATE EXTERNAL JOB, EXECUTE ANY PROGRAM, EXECUTE ANY CLASS, MANAGE\_SCHEDULER. See "[Scheduling Database Jobs in an Oracle Database Vault Environment](#)" on page 10-8 full usage information, including the levels of authorization the user must have to schedule database jobs in an Oracle Database Vault environment.

### Syntax

```

DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.AUTHORIZE_SCHEDULER_USER (
  user_name      IN VARCHAR2,
  schema_name    IN VARCHAR2 DEFAULT NULL);

```

## Parameters

**Table 12–65 AUTHORIZE\_SCHEDULER\_USER**

Parameter	Description
user_name	Name of the user to whom you want to grant authorization.  To find a list of users who have privileges to schedule jobs, query the DBA_SYS_PRIVS data dictionary view for users who have privileges to schedule database jobs. See Step 2 in " <a href="#">Granting a Database Administrator Authorization to Use Oracle Data Pump</a> " on page 10-6.
schema_name	Name of the database schema for which a job will be scheduled. If you omit this parameter, then the user is granted global authorization to schedule a job for any schema in the database.

## Examples

The following example authorizes the user JOB\_MGR to run a job under any schema.

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.AUTHORIZE_SCHEDULER_USER('JOB_MGR');
```

This example authorizes user JOB\_MGR to run a job under the HR schema only.

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.AUTHORIZE_SCHEDULER_USER('JOB_MGR', 'HR');
```

## UNAUTHORIZE\_DATAPUMP\_USER Procedure

The UNAUTHORIZE\_DATAPUMP\_USER procedure revokes the authorization that was granted by the AUTHORIZE\_DATAPUMP\_USER procedure. When you run this procedure, ensure that its settings correspond exactly to the equivalent AUTHORIZE\_DATAPUMP\_USER procedure.

For example, the following two procedures will work because the parameters are consistent:

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.AUTHORIZE_DATAPUMP_USER('DP_MGR');
```

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UNAUTHORIZE_DATAPUMP_USER('DP_MGR');
```

However, because the parameters in the following procedures are not consistent, the UNAUTHORIZE\_DATAPUMP\_USER procedure will not work:

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.AUTHORIZE_DATAPUMP_USER('JSMITH');
```

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UNAUTHORIZE_DATAPUMP_USER('JSMITH', 'HR');
```

## Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UNAUTHORIZE_DATAPUMP_USER(
  user_name      IN VARCHAR2,
  schema_name    IN VARCHAR2 DEFAULT NULL,
  table_name     IN VARCHAR2 DEFAULT NULL);
```

## Parameters

**Table 12–66 UNAUTHORIZE\_DATAPUMP\_USER**

Parameter	Description
user_name	Name of the Oracle Data Pump user from whom you want to revoke authorization.  To find a list of users and authorizations from the <code>AUTHORIZE_DATAPUMP_USER</code> procedure, query the <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE_SET</code> data dictionary view as follows:  <pre>SELECT RULE_EXPR FROM DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE_SET WHERE RULE_SET_NAME = 'Allow Oracle Data Pump Operation';</pre>
schema_name	Name of the database schema that the Oracle Data Pump user is authorized to export or import.
table_name	Name of the table within the schema specified by the schema name parameter.

## Examples

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UNAUTHORIZE_DATAPUMP_USER('JSMITH');
```

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UNAUTHORIZE_DATAPUMP_USER('JSMITH', 'HR');
```

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UNAUTHORIZE_DATAPUMP_USER('JSMITH', 'HR', 'SALARY');
```

## UNAUTHORIZE\_SCHEDULER\_USER Procedure

The `UNAUTHORIZE_SCHEDULER_USER` procedure revokes the authorization that was granted by the `AUTHORIZE_SCHEDULER_USER` procedure. When you run this procedure, ensure that its settings correspond exactly to the equivalent `AUTHORIZE_SCHEDULER_USER` procedure.

For example, the following two procedures will work because the parameters are consistent:

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.AUTHORIZE_SCHEDULER_USER('JOB_MGR');
```

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UNAUTHORIZE_SCHEDULER_USER('JOB_MGR');
```

However, because the parameters in the following procedures are not consistent, the `UNAUTHORIZE_SCHEDULER_USER` procedure will not work:

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.AUTHORIZE_SCHEDULER_USER('JOB_MGR');
```

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UNAUTHORIZE_SCHEDULER_USER('JOB_MGR', 'HR');
```

## Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UNAUTHORIZE_SCHEDULER_USER
  user_name      IN VARCHAR2,
  schema_name    IN VARCHAR2 DEFAULT NULL);
```

## Parameters

**Table 12–67 UNAUTHORIZE\_SCHEDULER\_USER**

Parameter	Description
user_name	<p>Name of the job scheduling user from whom you want to revoke authorization.</p> <p>To find a list of users and authorizations from the <code>AUTHORIZE_SCHEDULER_USER</code> procedure, query the <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE_SET</code> data dictionary view as follows:</p> <pre>SELECT RULE_EXPR FROM DVSYS.DBA_DV_RULE_SET WHERE RULE_SET_NAME = 'Allow Scheduler Job';</pre>
schema_name	<p>Name of the database schema for which the user is authorized to schedule jobs.</p>

## Examples

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UNAUTHORIZE_SCHEDULER_USER('JOB_MGR');
```

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.UNAUTHORIZE_SCHEDULER_USER('JOB_MGR', 'HR');
```





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## Using the DVSYS.DBMS\_MACSEC\_ROLES Package

This chapter contains:

- [About the DVSYS.DBMS\\_MACSEC\\_ROLES Package](#)
- [CAN\\_SET\\_ROLE Function](#)
- [SET\\_ROLE Procedure](#)

### About the DVSYS.DBMS\_MACSEC\_ROLES Package

You can modify your applications to use the procedures within the `DVSYS.DBMS_MACSEC_ROLES` package to check the authorization for a user or to set an Oracle Database Vault secure application role. The `DVSYS.DBMS_MACSEC_ROLES` package is available to all users.

[Chapter 8, "Configuring Secure Application Roles for Oracle Database Vault,"](#) describes secure application roles in detail. See also [Chapter 14, "Using the DVSYS.DBMS\\_MACUTL Package,"](#) for a set of general-purpose utility procedures that you can use with the secure application role procedures.

[Table 13–1](#) lists the `DVSYS.DBMS_MACSEC_ROLES` package function and procedure.

**Table 13–1** *DVSYS.DBMS\_MACSEC\_ROLES Oracle Label Security Configuration Procedures*

Function or Procedure	Description
<a href="#">CAN_SET_ROLE Function</a>	Checks whether the user invoking the method is authorized to use the specified Oracle Database Vault secure application role. Returns a <code>BOOLEAN</code> value.
<a href="#">SET_ROLE Procedure</a>	Issues the <code>SET ROLE</code> statement for an Oracle Database Vault secure application role.

### CAN\_SET\_ROLE Function

The `CAN_SET_ROLE` function checks whether the user invoking the method is authorized to use the specified Oracle Database Vault secure application role.

#### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACSEC_ROLES.CAN_SET_ROLE(
    p_role IN VARCHAR2)
RETURN BOOLEAN;
```

## Parameters

**Table 13–2 CAN\_SET\_ROLE Parameter**

Parameter	Description
p_role	Role name.  To find existing secure application roles in the current database instance, query the <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_ROLE</code> view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_ROLE View</a> " on page 11-26.

## Example

```
SET SERVEROUTPUT ON
BEGIN
  IF DVSYS.DBMS_MACSEC_ROLES.CAN_SET_ROLE('SECTOR2_APP_MGR')
    THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('''SECTOR2_APP_MGR'' can be enabled.');
```

```
  END IF;
END;
/
```

## SET\_ROLE Procedure

The `SET_ROLE` procedure issues the `SET ROLE` PL/SQL statement for specified roles, including both Oracle Database Vault secure application roles and regular Oracle Database roles. This procedure sets an Oracle Database Vault secure application role only if the rule set that is associated with the role evaluates to true.

## Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACSEC_ROLES.SET_ROLE(
  p_role IN VARCHAR2);
```

## Parameters

**Table 13–3 SET\_ROLE Parameter**

Parameter	Description
p_role	Role names. You can enter multiple roles, including secure application roles and regular roles.  To find existing secure application roles in the current database instance, query the <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_ROLE</code> view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_ROLE View</a> " on page 11-26.  To find all of the existing roles in the database, query the <code>DBA_ROLES</code> data dictionary view, described in <i>Oracle Database Reference</i> .

## Example

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACSEC_ROLES.SET_ROLE('SECTOR2_APP_MGR, APPS_MGR');
```

You can enter the name of the role in any case (for example, `Sector2_APP_MGR`).

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## Using the DVSYS.DBMS\_MACUTL Package

This chapter contains:

- [About the DVSYS.DBMS\\_MACUTL Package](#)
- [DVSYS.DBMS\\_MACUTL Constants](#)
- [Procedures and Functions Within the DVSYS.DBMS\\_MACUTL Package](#)

### About the DVSYS.DBMS\_MACUTL Package

The DVSYS.DBMS\_MACUTL package provides a set of general purpose utility procedures and functions that you can use throughout the application code you write for Oracle Database Vault. This package is available to all users.

### DVSYS.DBMS\_MACUTL Constants

This section contains:

- [DVSYS.DBMS\\_MACUTL Listing of Constants](#)
- [Examples of Using the DVSYS.DBMS\\_MACUTL Constants](#)

### DVSYS.DBMS\_MACUTL Listing of Constants

Table 14–1 summarizes constant (that is, fields) descriptions for the DVSYS.DBMS\_MACUTL package. You can use these constants with any of the Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL packages. Many of these constants have equivalents in the Oracle Database Vault package. For example, the `enabled` parameter, which is available in several procedures, can accept either `Y` (for Yes) or the constant `G_YES`. Choosing one over the other is a matter of personal preference. They both have the same result.

**Table 14–1** DVSYS.DBMS\_MACUTL Listing of Constants

Constant Name	Data Type	Description
G_ALL_OBJECT	VARCHAR2 (1)	Used with the realm API <code>object_name</code> and <code>object_type</code> parameters as a wildcard to indicate all object names or all object types.
G_AUDIT_ALWAYS	NUMBER	Used with the factor API <code>audit_options</code> parameter to enable an audit.
G_AUDIT_OFF	NUMBER	Used with the factor API <code>audit_options</code> parameter to disable auditing.

**Table 14–1 (Cont.) DVSYS.DBMS\_MACUTL Listing of Constants**

<b>Constant Name</b>	<b>Data Type</b>	<b>Description</b>
G_AUDIT_ON_GET_ERROR	NUMBER	Used with the factor API audit_options parameter to audit if the expression specified in the get_expr parameter returns an error.
G_AUDIT_ON_GET_NULL	NUMBER	Used with the factor API audit_options parameter to audit if the expression in the get_expr field is null.
G_AUDIT_ON_TRUST_LEVEL_NEG	NUMBER	Used with the factor API audit_options parameter to audit if the trust level is negative.
G_AUDIT_ON_TRUST_LEVEL_NULL	NUMBER	Used with the factor API audit_options parameter to audit if no trust level exists.
G_AUDIT_ON_VALIDATE_ERROR	NUMBER	Used with the factor API audit_options parameter to audit if the validation function returns an error.
G_AUDIT_ON_VALIDATE_FALSE	NUMBER	Used with the factor API audit_options parameter to audit if validation function is false.
G_EVAL_ON_ACCESS	NUMBER	Used with the factor API eval_options parameter to reevaluate the factor each time it is accessed.
G_EVAL_ON_SESSION	NUMBER	Used with the factor API eval_options parameter to evaluate the factor only once, when the user logs in to the session.
G_FAIL_SILENTLY	NUMBER	Used with the fail_options parameter to fail and show no error message.
G_FAIL_WITH_MESSAGE	NUMBER	Used with the fail_options parameter to fail and show an error message.
G_IDENTIFY_BY_CONSTANT	NUMBER	Used with the factor API identify_by parameter: Fixed value in PL/SQL expression defined in the get_expr parameter.
G_IDENTIFY_BY_CONTEXT	NUMBER	Used with the factor API identify_by parameter to indicate context.
G_IDENTIFY_BY_FACTOR	NUMBER	Used with the factor API identify_by parameter for subfactors through the factor_link\$ table.
G_IDENTIFY_BY_METHOD	NUMBER	Used with the factor API identify_by parameter: Expression in get_expr field
G_IDENTIFY_BY_RULESET	NUMBER	Used with the factor API identify_by parameter: Expression and Rule Set with the factor_expr\$ table
G_LABELED_BY_FACTORS	NUMBER	Used with the factor API labeled_by parameter to derive the label from subfactor and merge algorithm.

**Table 14–1 (Cont.) DVSYS.DBMS\_MACUTL Listing of Constants**

Constant Name	Data Type	Description
G_LABELED_BY_SELF	NUMBER	Used with the factor API <code>labeled_by</code> parameter to label the factor identities.
G_MAX_SESSION_LABEL	VARCHAR2 (30)	This is the highest label a user could set based on the factors. It does not consider the label for a user.
G_MIN_POLICY_LABEL	VARCHAR2 (30)	The label to which a factor with a null label defaults.
G_NO	VARCHAR2 (1)	Used with the following APIs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ The factor API <code>label_indicator</code> parameter to indicate that a child factor linked to a parent factor does not contribute to the label of the parent factor in an Oracle Label Security integration.</li> <li>■ Any API that uses the <code>enabled</code> parameter.</li> </ul>
G_OLS_SESSION_LABEL	VARCHAR2 (30)	The Oracle Label Security session label for a user at the time <code>init_session</code> is run.
G_REALM_AUDIT_FAIL	NUMBER	Used with the realm API <code>audit_options</code> parameter to audit when the realm is violated.
G_REALM_AUDIT_OFF	NUMBER	Used with the realm API <code>audit_options</code> parameter to disable auditing.
G_REALM_AUDIT_SUCCESS	NUMBER	Used with the realm API <code>audit_options</code> parameter: Audit on successful realm access
G_REALM_AUTH_OWNER	NUMBER	Used with the realm API <code>auth_options</code> parameter to set the realm authorization to Owner.
G_REALM_AUTH_PARTICIPANT	NUMBER	Used with the realm API <code>auth_options</code> parameter to set the realm authorization to Participant.
G_RULESET_AUDIT_FAIL	NUMBER	Used with the rule set API <code>audit_options</code> parameter to audit on rule set failure.
G_RULESET_AUDIT_OFF	NUMBER	Used with the rule set API <code>audit_options</code> parameter to disable auditing.
G_RULESET_AUDIT_SUCCESS	NUMBER	Used with the rule set API <code>audit_options</code> parameter to audit on rule set success.
G_RULESET_EVAL_ALL	NUMBER	Used with the rule set API <code>eval_options</code> parameter to enable the rule set to succeed if all rules evaluate to true.
G_RULESET_EVAL_ANY	NUMBER	Used with the rule set API <code>eval_options</code> parameter to succeed if any of the rules evaluate to true.

**Table 14–1 (Cont.) DVSYS.DBMS\_MACUTL Listing of Constants**

Constant Name	Data Type	Description
G_RULESET_FAIL_SHOW	NUMBER	Used with the rule set API <code>fail_options</code> parameter to show an error message if the rule set fails.
G_RULESET_FAIL_SILENT	NUMBER	Used with the rule set API <code>fail_options</code> parameter to not show an error message if the rule set fails.
G_RULESET_HANDLER_FAIL	NUMBER	Used with the rule set API <code>handler_options</code> parameter to call a handler (specified by the <code>handler</code> parameter) if the rule set fails.
G_RULESET_HANDLER_OFF	NUMBER	Used with the rule set API <code>handler_options</code> parameter to disable calls to a handler or if no handler is used.
G_RULESET_HANDLER_SUCCESS	NUMBER	Used with the rule set API <code>handler_options</code> parameter to call a handler if the rule set succeeds.
G_USER_POLICY_LABEL	VARCHAR2 (30)	This is what Oracle Label Security has decided the user's label should be set to after factoring in the preceding values.
G_YES	VARCHAR2 (1)	Used with the following APIs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ The factor API <code>label_indicator</code> parameter to indicate that a child factor linked to a parent factor contributes to the label of the parent factor in an Oracle Label Security integration.</li> <li>■ Any API that uses the <code>enabled</code> parameter.</li> </ul>

## Examples of Using the DVSYS.DBMS\_MACUTL Constants

[Example 14–1](#) shows how to use the `G_YES` and `G_REALM_AUDIT_FAIL` `DBMS_MACUTL` constants when creating a realm.

### **Example 14–1 Creating a Realm Using DVSYS.DBMS\_MACUTL Constants**

```
BEGIN
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_REALM(
  realm_name    => 'Performance Statistics Realm',
  description   => 'Realm to measure performance',
  enabled       => DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL.G_YES,
  audit_options => DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL.G_REALM_AUDIT_FAIL);
END;
/
```

[Example 14–2](#) shows how to use several `DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL` constants when creating a rule set.

### **Example 14–2 Creating a Rule Set Using DVSYS.DBMS\_MACUTL Constants**

```
BEGIN
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE_SET(
  rule_set_name => 'Limit_DBA_Access',
```

```

description      => 'DBA access through predefined processes',
enabled          => 'Y',
eval_options     => DBMS_MACUTL.G_RULESET_EVAL_ALL,
audit_options    => DBMS_MACUTL.G_RULESET_AUDIT_FAIL,
fail_options     => DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL.G_RULESET_FAIL_SHOW,
fail_message     => 'Rule Set Limit_DBA_Access has failed.',
fail_code        => 20000,
handler_options  => DBMS_MACUTL.G_RULESET_HANDLER_FAIL,
handler          => 'dbavowner.email_alert');
END;
/

```

Example 14-3 shows how to use constants when creating a factor.

#### Example 14-3 Creating a Factor Using DVSYS.DBMS\_MACUTL Constants

```

BEGIN
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_FACTOR (
  factor_name      => 'Sector2_DB',
  factor_type_name => 'Instance',
  description      => ' ',
  rule_set_name    => 'DB_access',
  get_expr         => 'UPPER(SYS_CONTEXT(''USERENV'', ''DB_NAME''))',
  validate_expr    => 'dbavowner.check_db_access',
  identify_by      => DBMS_MACUTL.G_IDENTIFY_BY_FACTOR,
  labeled_by       => DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL.G_LABELED_BY_SELF,
  eval_options     => DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL.G_EVAL_ON_SESSION,
  audit_options    => DBMS_MACUTL.G_AUDIT_ALWAYS,
  fail_options     => DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL.G_FAIL_SILENTLY);
END;
/

```

## Procedures and Functions Within the DVSYS.DBMS\_MACUTL Package

Table 14-2 lists the procedures and functions in the DVSYS.DBMS\_MACUTL package. You can use these procedures or functions as standalone code, or within rule expressions. The examples in this section show a mixture of using both.

**Table 14-2 DVSYS.DBMS\_MACUTL Utility Functions**

Procedure or Function	Descriptions
<a href="#">CHECK_DVSYS_DML_ALLOWED Procedure</a>	Verifies that public-packages are not being bypassed by users updating the Oracle Database Vault configuration
<a href="#">GET_CODE_VALUE Function</a>	Looks up the value for a code within a code group.
<a href="#">GET_SECOND Function</a>	Returns the seconds in Oracle SS format (00-59). Useful for rule expressions based on time data
<a href="#">GET_MINUTE Function</a>	Returns the minute in Oracle MI format (00-59). Useful for rule expressions based on time data
<a href="#">GET_HOUR Function</a>	Returns the month in Oracle HH24 format (00-23). Useful for rule expressions based on time data
<a href="#">GET_DAY Function</a>	Returns the day in Oracle DD format (01-31). Useful for rule expressions based on time data
<a href="#">GET_MONTH Function</a>	Returns the month in Oracle MM format (01-12). Useful for rule expressions based on time data
<a href="#">GET_YEAR Function</a>	Returns the year in Oracle YYYY format (0001-9999). Useful for rule expressions based on time data

**Table 14–2 (Cont.) DVSYS.DBMS\_MACUTL Utility Functions**

Procedure or Function	Descriptions
<a href="#">IS_ALPHA Function</a>	Checks whether the character is alphabetic
<a href="#">IS_DIGIT Function</a>	Checks whether the character is numeric
<a href="#">IS_DVSYS_OWNER Function</a>	Determines whether a user is authorized to manage the Oracle Database Vault configuration
<a href="#">IS_OLS_INSTALLED Function</a>	Returns an indicator regarding whether Oracle Label Security is installed
<a href="#">IS_OLS_INSTALLED_VARCHAR Function</a>	Returns an indicator regarding whether Oracle Label Security is installed
<a href="#">USER_HAS_ROLE Function</a>	Checks whether a user has a role privilege, directly or indirectly (through another role)
<a href="#">USER_HAS_ROLE_VARCHAR Function</a>	Checks whether a user has a role privilege, directly or indirectly (through another role)
<a href="#">USER_HAS_SYSTEM_PRIVILEGE Function</a>	Checks whether a user has a system privilege, directly or indirectly (through a role)

## CHECK\_DVSYS\_DML\_ALLOWED Procedure

The `CHECK_DVSYS_DML_ALLOWED` procedure verifies that public packages are not being bypassed by users updating the Oracle Database Vault configuration.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL.CHECK_DVSYS_DML_ALLOWED (
    p_user IN VARCHAR2 DEFAULT USER);
```

### Parameter

**Table 14–3 CHECK\_DVSYS\_DML\_ALLOWED Parameter**

Parameter	Description
<code>p_user</code>	<p>User performing the operation.</p> <p>To find existing users in the current database instance, query the following views:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <code>DBA_USERS</code>: Finds available users for the current database instance. See <i>Oracle Database Reference</i>.</li> <li>■ <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_REALM_AUTH</code>: Finds the authorization of a particular user or role. See "<a href="#">DBA_DV_REALM_AUTH View</a>" on page 11-25.</li> <li>■ <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_ROLE</code>: Finds existing secure application roles used in privilege management. See "<a href="#">DBA_DV_ROLE View</a>" on page 11-26.</li> </ul>

### Example

User SYSTEM fails the check:

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL.CHECK_DVSYS_DML_ALLOWED('system');
```

```
ERROR at line 1:
ORA-47920: Authorization failed for user system to perform this operation
ORA-06512: at "DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL", line 23
ORA-06512: at "DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL", line 372
ORA-06512: at "DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL", line 508
ORA-06512: at "DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL", line 572
ORA-06512: at line 1
```



User lbrown\_dvowner, who has the DV\_OWNER role, passes the check:

```
EXEC DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL.CHECK_DVSYS_DML_ALLOWED('lbrown_dvowner');
```

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

## GET\_CODE\_VALUE Function

The GET\_CODE\_VALUE function finds the value for a code within a code group, and then returns a VARCHAR2 value.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL.GET_CODE_VALUE (
  p_code_group IN VARCHAR2,
  p_code       IN VARCHAR2)
RETURN VARCHAR2;
```

### Parameters

**Table 14–4** GET\_CODE\_VALUE Parameters

Parameter	Description
p_code_group	Code group (for example, AUDIT_EVENTS or BOOLEAN). To find available code groups in the current database instance, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_CODE view, described in "DBA_DV_CODE View" on page 11-16.
p_code	ID of the code. This ID is listed when you run the DVSYS.DBA_DV_CODE view.

### Example

```
BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE(
    rule_name => 'Get Label Algorithm for Maximum Level/Union/Null',
    rule_expr => 'DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL.GET_CODE_VALUE(''LABEL_ALG'', ''HUN'') =
''Union'');
END;
/
```

## GET\_SECOND Function

The GET\_SECOND function returns the seconds in Oracle SS (seconds) format (00–59), and then returns a NUMBER value. It is useful for rule expressions based on time data.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL.GET_SECOND (
  p_date IN DATE DEFAULT SYSDATE)
RETURN NUMBER;
```

**Parameter****Table 14–5** *GET\_SECOND Parameter*

Parameter	Description
p_date	Date in SS format (for example, 59).  If you do not specify a date, then Oracle Database Vault uses the Oracle Database SYSDATE function to retrieve the current date and time set for the operating system on which the database resides.

**Example**

```
SET SERVEROUTPUT ON
DECLARE
    seconds number;
BEGIN
    seconds := DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL.GET_SECOND(TO_DATE('03-APR-2009 6:56 PM',
    'dd-mon-yyyy hh:mi PM'));
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Seconds: ' || seconds);
END;
/
```

This example, which uses a fixed date and time, returns the following:

```
Seconds: 56
```

**GET\_MINUTE Function**

The GET\_MINUTE function returns the minute in Oracle MI (minute) format (00–59), in a NUMBER value. It is useful for rule expressions based on time data.

**Syntax**

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL.GET_MINUTE (
    p_date IN DATE DEFAULT SYSDATE)
RETURN NUMBER;
```

**Parameter****Table 14–6** *GET\_MINUTE Parameter*

Parameter	Description
p_date	Date in MI format (for example, 30, as in 2:30).  If you do not specify a date, then Oracle Database Vault uses the Oracle Database SYSDATE function to retrieve the current date and time set for the operating system on which the database resides.

**Example**

```
SET SERVEROUTPUT ON
DECLARE
    minute number;
BEGIN
    minute := DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL.GET_MINUTE(SYSDATE);
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Minute: ' || minute);
END;
/
```

Output similar to the following appears:

Minute: 17

## GET\_HOUR Function

The GET\_HOUR function returns the hour in Oracle HH24 (hour) format (00–23), in a NUMBER value. It is useful for rule expressions based on time data.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL.GET_HOUR(
  p_date IN DATE DEFAULT SYSDATE)
RETURN NUMBER;
```

### Parameter

**Table 14–7** GET\_HOUR Parameter

Parameter	Description
p_date	Date in HH24 format (for example, 14 for 2:00 p.m.)  If you do not specify a date, then Oracle Database Vault uses the Oracle Database SYSDATE function to retrieve the current date and time set for the operating system on which the database resides.

### Example

```
SET SERVEROUTPUT ON
DECLARE
  hours number;
BEGIN
  hours := DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL.GET_HOUR(SYSDATE);
  DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Hour: ' || hours);
END;
/
```

Output similar to the following appears:

Hour: 12

## GET\_DAY Function

The GET\_DAY function returns the day in Oracle DD (day) format (01–31), in a NUMBER value. It is useful for rule expressions based on time data.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL.GET_DAY(
  p_date IN DATE DEFAULT SYSDATE)
RETURN NUMBER;
```

### Parameter

**Table 14–8** GET\_DAY Parameter

Parameter	Description
p_date	Date in DD format (for example, 01 for the first day of the month).  If you do not specify a date, then Oracle Database Vault uses the Oracle Database SYSDATE function to retrieve the current date and time set for the operating system on which the database resides.

**Example**

```
SET SERVEROUTPUT ON
DECLARE
    day number;
BEGIN
    day := DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL.GET_DAY(SYSDATE);
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Day: ' || day);
END;
/
```

Output similar to the following appears:

```
Day: 3
```

**GET\_MONTH Function**

The GET\_MONTH function returns the month in Oracle MM (month) format (01–12), in a NUMBER value. It is useful for rule expressions based on time data.

**Syntax**

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL.GET_MONTH(
    p_date IN DATE DEFAULT SYSDATE)
RETURN NUMBER;
```

**Parameter**

**Table 14–9** GET\_MONTH Parameter

Parameter	Description
p_date	Date in MM format (for example, 08 for the month of August).  If you do not specify a date, then Oracle Database Vault uses the Oracle Database SYSDATE function to retrieve the current date and time set for the operating system on which the database resides.

**Example**

```
SET SERVEROUTPUT ON
DECLARE
    month number;
BEGIN
    month := DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL.GET_MONTH(SYSDATE);
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Month: ' || month);
END;
/
```

Output similar to the following appears:

```
Month: 4
```

**GET\_YEAR Function**

The GET\_YEAR function returns the year in Oracle YYYY (year) format (0001–9999), in a NUMBER value. It is useful for rule expressions based on time data.

**Syntax**

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL.GET_YEAR(
    p_date IN DATE DEFAULT SYSDATE)
RETURN NUMBER;
```

**Parameter****Table 14–10** *GET\_YEAR Parameter*

Parameter	Description
p_date	Date in YYYY format (for example, 1984).  If you do not specify a date, then Oracle Database Vault uses the SYSDATE function to retrieve the current date and time set for the operating system on which the database resides.

**Example**

```
SET SERVEROUTPUT ON
DECLARE
    year number;
BEGIN
    year := DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL.GET_YEAR(SYSDATE);
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('Year: ' || year);
END;
/
```

**IS\_ALPHA Function**

The IS\_ALPHA function checks whether the character is alphabetic, and then returns a BOOLEAN value. IS\_ALPHA returns TRUE if the character is alphabetic.

**Syntax**

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL.IS_ALPHA(
    c IN VARCHAR2)
RETURN BOOLEAN;
```

**Parameter****Table 14–11** *IS\_ALPHA Parameter*

Parameter	Description
c	String with one character

**Example**

```
SET SERVEROUTPUT ON
BEGIN
    IF DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL.IS_ALPHA('z')
    THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('The alphabetic character was found');
    ELSE
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('No alphabetic characters today. ');
    END IF;
END;
/
```

**IS\_DIGIT Function**

The IS\_DIGIT function checks whether the character is numeric, and then returns a BOOLEAN value. IS\_DIGIT returns TRUE if the character is a digit.

**Syntax**

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL.IS_DIGIT(
    c IN VARCHAR2)
```

```
RETURN BOOLEAN;
```

### Parameter

**Table 14–12 IS\_DIGIT Parameter**

Parameter	Description
c	String with one character

### Example

```
SET SERVEROUTPUT ON
BEGIN
  IF DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL.IS_DIGIT('7')
    THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('The numeric character was found');
  ELSE
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('No numeric characters today.');
```

```
END IF;
END;
/
```

## IS\_DVSYS\_OWNER Function

The `IS_DVSYS_OWNER` function determines whether a user is authorized to manage the Oracle Database Vault configuration, and then returns a `BOOLEAN` value. `IS_DVSYS_OWNER` returns `TRUE` if the user is authorized.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL.IS_DVSYS_OWNER (
  p_user IN VARCHAR2 DEFAULT USER)
RETURN BOOLEAN;
```

### Parameter

**Table 14–13 IS\_DVSYS\_OWNER Parameter**

Parameter	Description
p_user	User to check.  To find existing users, query the following views: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <code>DBA_USERS</code>: Finds available users for the current database instance. See <i>Oracle Database Reference</i>.</li> <li>■ <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_REALM_AUTH</code>: Finds the authorization of a particular user or role. See "<a href="#">DBA_DV_REALM_AUTH View</a>" on page 11-25.</li> <li>■ <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_ROLE</code>: Finds existing secure application roles used in privilege management. See "<a href="#">DBA_DV_ROLE View</a>" on page 11-26.</li> </ul>

### Example

```
SET SERVEROUTPUT ON
BEGIN
  IF DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL.IS_DVSYS_OWNER('PSMITH')
    THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('PSMITH is authorized to manage Database Vault.');
```

```
ELSE
  DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('PSMITH is not authorized to manage Database Vault.');
```

```
END IF;
END;
/
```

## IS\_OLS\_INSTALLED Function

The `IS_OLS_INSTALLED` function returns an indicator regarding whether Oracle Label Security is installed, and then returns a `TRUE` or `FALSE` `BOOLEAN` value. If Oracle Label Security is installed, `IS_OLS_INSTALLED` returns `TRUE`.

### Syntax

```
DVSY.S.DBMS_MACUTL.IS_OLS_INSTALLED()
RETURN BOOLEAN;
```

### Parameters

None.

### Example

```
SET SERVEROUTPUT ON
BEGIN
  IF DVSY.S.DBMS_MACUTL.IS_OLS_INSTALLED()
    THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('OLS is installed');
  ELSE
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('OLS is not installed');
  END IF;
END;
/
```

## IS\_OLS\_INSTALLED\_VARCHAR Function

The `IS_OLS_INSTALLED_VARCHAR` function returns an indicator regarding whether Oracle Label Security is installed, and then returns a `Y` or `N` `VARCHAR2` value. If Oracle Label Security is installed, then `IS_OLS_INSTALLED_VARCHAR` returns `Y`.

### Syntax

```
DVSY.S.DBMS_MACUTL.IS_OLS_INSTALLED_VARCHAR()
RETURN VARCHAR2;
```

### Parameters

None.

### Example

See "[IS\\_OLS\\_INSTALLED Function](#)" on page 14-13 for an example.

## USER\_HAS\_ROLE Function

The `USER_HAS_ROLE` function checks whether a user has a role privilege, directly or indirectly (through another role), and then returns a `BOOLEAN` value. If the user has a role privilege, then `USER_HAS_ROLE` returns `TRUE`.

### Syntax

```
DVSY.S.DBMS_MACUTL.USER_HAS_ROLE(
  p_role IN VARCHAR2,
  p_user IN VARCHAR2 DEFAULT USER)
RETURN BOOLEAN;
```

## Parameters

**Table 14–14** *USER\_HAS\_ROLE Parameters*

Parameter	Description
p_role	<p>Role privilege to check.</p> <p>To find existing roles, query the following views:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ DBA_ROLES: Finds available roles in the current database instance. See <i>Oracle Database Reference</i>.</li> <li>■ DVSYS.DBA_DV_REALM_AUTH: Finds the authorization of a particular user or role. See "<a href="#">DBA_DV_REALM_AUTH View</a>" on page 11-25.</li> <li>■ DVSYS.DBA_DV_ROLE: Finds existing secure application roles used in privilege management. See "<a href="#">DBA_DV_ROLE View</a>" on page 11-26.</li> </ul>
p_user	<p>User to check.</p> <p>To find existing users, query the following views:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ DBA_USERS: Finds available users for the current database instance. See <i>Oracle Database Reference</i>.</li> <li>■ DVSYS.DBA_DV_REALM_AUTH: Finds the authorization of a particular user or role. See "<a href="#">Oracle Database Vault Data Dictionary Views</a>" on page 11-15.</li> </ul>

## Example

```

SET SERVEROUTPUT ON
BEGIN
  IF DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL.USER_HAS_ROLE('SECTOR2_APP_MGR', 'PSMITH')
    THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('User PSMITH has the SECTOR2_APP_MGR role');
    ELSE
    DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('User PSMITH does not have the SECTOR2_APP_MGR role.');
```

## USER\_HAS\_ROLE\_VARCHAR Function

The USER\_HAS\_ROLE\_VARCHAR function checks whether a user has a role privilege, directly or indirectly (through another role), and then returns a VARCHAR2 value. If the user has the role privilege specified, then USER\_HAS\_ROLE\_VARCHAR returns Y.

### Syntax

```

DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL.USER_HAS_ROLE_VARCHAR (
  p_role IN VARCHAR2,
  p_user IN VARCHAR2 DEFAULT USER)
RETURN VARCHAR2;
```



## Parameters

**Table 14–15** *USER\_HAS\_ROLE\_VARCHAR Parameters*

Parameter	Description
p_role	<p>Role to check.</p> <p>To find existing roles, query the following views:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ DBA_ROLES: Finds available roles in the current database instance. See <i>Oracle Database Reference</i>.</li> <li>■ DVSYS.DBA_DV_REALM_AUTH: Finds the authorization of a particular user or role. See "<a href="#">DBA_DV_REALM_AUTH View</a>" on page 11-25.</li> <li>■ DVSYS.DBA_DV_ROLE: Finds existing secure application roles used in privilege management. See "<a href="#">DBA_DV_ROLE View</a>" on page 11-26.</li> </ul>
p_user	<p>User to check.</p> <p>To find existing users, query the following views:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ DBA_USERS: Finds available users for the current database instance. See <i>Oracle Database Reference</i>.</li> <li>■ DVSYS.DBA_DV_REALM_AUTH: Finds the authorization of a particular user or role. See "<a href="#">DBA_DV_REALM_AUTH View</a>" on page 11-25.</li> </ul>

## USER\_HAS\_SYSTEM\_PRIVILEGE Function

The USER\_HAS\_SYSTEM\_PRIVILEGE function checks whether a user has a system privilege, directly or indirectly (through a role), and then returns a BOOLEAN value. If the user has the system privilege specified, then USER\_HAS\_SYSTEM\_PRIVILEGE returns TRUE.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL.USER_HAS_SYSTEM_PRIVILEGE(
  p_privilege IN VARCHAR2,
  p_user      IN VARCHAR2 DEFAULT USER)
RETURN BOOLEAN;
```

## Parameters

**Table 14–16** *USER\_HAS\_SYSTEM\_PRIVILEGE Parameters*

Parameter	Description
p_privilege	<p>System privilege to check for.</p> <p>To find privileges for a database account excluding PUBLIC privileges, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_USER_PRIVS view, described in "<a href="#">DBA_DV_USER_PRIVS View</a>" on page 11-29.</p> <p>To find all privileges for a database account, use DVSYS.DBA_DV_USER_PRIVS_ALL, described in "<a href="#">DBA_DV_USER_PRIVS_ALL View</a>" on page 11-30.</p>
p_user	<p>User to check.</p> <p>To find existing users, query the following views:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ DBA_USERS: Finds available users for the current database instance. See <i>Oracle Database Reference</i>.</li> <li>■ DVSYS.DBA_DV_REALM_AUTH: Finds the authorization of a particular user or role. See "<a href="#">DBA_DV_REALM_AUTH View</a>" on page 11-25.</li> </ul>

**Example**

```
SET SERVEROUTPUT ON
BEGIN
  IF DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL.USER_HAS_SYSTEM_PRIVILEGE('EXECUTE', 'PSMITH')
    THEN DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('User PSMITH has the EXECUTE ANY PRIVILEGE
privilege.');
```

```
    ELSE
      DBMS_OUTPUT.PUT_LINE('User PSMITH does not have the EXECUTE ANY PRIVILEGE
privilege.');
```

```
    END IF;
END;
/
```

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## Using the Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Interfaces

This chapter contains:

- [Oracle Database Vault Run-Time PL/SQL Procedures and Functions](#)
- [Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Factor Functions](#)
- [Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Rule Functions](#)
- [Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Packages](#)

### Oracle Database Vault Run-Time PL/SQL Procedures and Functions

Oracle Database Vault provides a set of procedural interfaces to administer various Database Vault security options and manage Database Vault security enforcements. There are also procedures and functions that expose the logic to validate a DDL command for realm violations and command authorizations. Additional procedures and functions are provided to set the value of a factor (assuming their associated rule sets evaluate to true) (for example, from a Web application), to retrieve the trust level for a session or specific factor identity, and to get the label for a factor identity. These procedures and functions are provided so that a database administrator does not grant the EXECUTE privilege on all DVSYS package procedures to the general database account population. The procedures and functions expose only the minimum methods that are required. All of these functions and procedures are publicly available for applications that need them.

[Table 15–1](#) lists the default run-time PL/SQL procedures and functions.

**Table 15–1** DVSYS Functions

Procedure or Function	Parameter
<a href="#">SET_FACTOR Procedure</a>	Sets a factor
<a href="#">GET_FACTOR Function</a>	Retrieves a factor
<a href="#">GET_TRUST_LEVEL Function</a>	Retrieves the trust level assigned to a factor
<a href="#">GET_TRUST_LEVEL_FOR_IDENTITY Function</a>	Retrieves the trust level for a specified factor and an identity
<a href="#">ROLE_IS_ENABLED Function</a>	Checks whether the specified database role is enabled
<a href="#">GET_FACTOR_LABEL Function</a>	Retrieves the label for the specified factor when the factor has a label assigned to it for the specified Oracle Label Security policy

## SET\_FACTOR Procedure

The `SET_FACTOR` procedure can be exposed to an application that requires the ability to set factor identities dynamically. It wraps the package procedure `DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.SET_FACTOR`. When a factor has a rule set associated with it for assignment and if the rule set returns true, then the value is set. Normal rule set handling occurs, and the factor value (identity) validation method is called. This procedure is available (to execute) to the general database account population.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.SET_FACTOR(
  p_factor IN VARCHAR2,
  p_value  IN VARCHAR2);
```

### Parameters

**Table 15–2 SET\_FACTOR Parameters**

Parameter	Description
<code>p_factor</code>	Factor name.  To find existing factors in the current database instance, query the <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_FACTOR</code> data dictionary view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_FACTOR View</a> " on page 11-18.
<code>p_value</code>	Identity value, up to 1024 characters in mixed case.  To find the identities for each factor in the current database instance, query the <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_IDENTITY</code> data dictionary view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_IDENTITY View</a> " on page 11-21.

### Example

```
EXECUTE DVSYS.SET_FACTOR('Sector2_ClientID', 'identity');
```

## GET\_FACTOR Function

The `GET_FACTOR` function is exposed to the `DVF` schema to allow the public factor functions to resolve the identity of a factor. This enables the `F$` functions in the `DVF` schema. This function is available (to execute) to the general database account population.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.GET_FACTOR(
  p_factor IN VARCHAR2)
RETURN VARCHAR2;
```

### Parameter

**Table 15–3 GET\_FACTOR Parameter**

Parameter	Description
<code>p_factor</code>	Factor name.  To find existing factors in the current database instance, query the <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_FACTOR</code> data dictionary view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_FACTOR View</a> " on page 11-18.

**Example**

```

BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE(
    rule_name => 'Get Client ID Factor Identity',
    rule_expr => 'DVSYS.GET_FACTOR(''Sector2_ClientID'')');
END;
/

```

**GET\_TRUST\_LEVEL Function**

The `GET_TRUST_LEVEL` function returns the trust level of the current session identity for the factor requested. This function is available (to execute) to the general database account population. See ["Creating and Configuring a Factor Identity"](#) on page 7-11 for a listing of the available trust levels.

**Syntax**

```

DVSYS.GET_TRUST_LEVEL(
  p_factor IN VARCHAR2)
RETURN VARCHAR2;

```

**Parameter****Table 15–4** *GET\_TRUST\_LEVEL Parameter*

Parameter	Description
<code>p_factor</code>	Factor name.  To find existing factors in the current database instance, query the <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_FACTOR</code> data dictionary view, described in <a href="#">"DBA_DV_FACTOR View"</a> on page 11-18.

**Example**

```

BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE(
    rule_name => 'Get Client ID Trust Level',
    rule_expr => 'DVSYS.GET_TRUST_LEVEL(''Sector2_ClientID'')');
END;
/

```

**GET\_TRUST\_LEVEL\_FOR\_IDENTITY Function**

The `GET_TRUST_LEVEL_FOR_IDENTITY` function returns the trust level for the factor and identity requested. This function is available (to execute) to the general database account population. See ["Creating and Configuring a Factor Identity"](#) on page 7-11 for a listing of the available trust levels.

**Syntax**

```

DVSYS.GET_TRUST_LEVEL_FOR_IDENTITY(
  p_factor   IN VARCHAR2,
  p_identity IN VARCHAR2)
RETURN VARCHAR2;

```

## Parameters

**Table 15–5 GET\_TRUST\_LEVEL\_FOR\_IDENTITY Parameters**

Parameter	Description
p_factor	Factor name.  To find existing factors in the current database instance, query the DVSYS.DBA_DV_FACTOR view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_FACTOR View</a> " on page 11-18.
p_identity	Identity value.  To find the identities for each factor in the current database instance, use the DVSYS.DBA_DV_IDENTITY data dictionary view, described in " <a href="#">DBA_DV_IDENTITY View</a> " on page 11-21.

## Example

```
BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE(
    rule_name => 'Get Client ID Identity Trust Level',
    rule_expr => 'DVSYS.GET_TRUST_LEVEL_FOR_IDENTITY(''Sector2_ClientID'',
  'identity'')');
END;
/
```

## ROLE\_IS\_ENABLED Function

The `ROLE_IS_ENABLED` function returns a boolean value that specifies whether a database role has been enabled. This function is available (to execute) to the general database account population.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.ROLE_IS_ENABLED(
  p_role IN VARCHAR2)
RETURN BOOLEAN;
```

### Parameter

**Table 15–6 ROLE\_IS\_ENABLED Parameter**

Parameter	Description
p_role	Database role name to check.  To find existing roles, use the following data dictionary views: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <code>DBA_ROLES</code>: Finds available roles in the current database instance. See <i>Oracle Database Reference</i>.</li> <li>■ <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_REALM_AUTH</code>: Finds the authorization of a particular role. See "<a href="#">DBA_DV_REALM View</a>" on page 11-25.</li> <li>■ <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_ROLE</code>: Finds existing secure application roles used in privilege management. See "<a href="#">DBA_DV_ROLE View</a>" on page 11-26.</li> </ul>

## Example

```
BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE(
    rule_name => 'Check if SYSADM Role Is Enabled',
    rule_expr => 'DVSYS.ROLE_IS_ENABLED(''SYSADM'')');
END;
/
```

## GET\_FACTOR\_LABEL Function

The `GET_FACTOR_LABEL` function returns the label for the specified factor when the factor has a label assigned to it for the specified Oracle Label Security policy. The function returns a label that is merged with the maximum session label for the policy if the policy is configured with Oracle Label Security. The function is available (to execute) to the general database population. See ["Label Identity"](#) on page 7-12 for more information about factor labels.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.GET_FACTOR_LABEL(
  p_factor      IN VARCHAR2,
  p_policy_name IN VARCHAR2)
RETURN VARCHAR2;
```

### Parameters

**Table 15–7** GET\_FACTOR\_LABEL Parameters

Parameter	Description
p_factor	Factor name.  To find the available factors in the current database instance, query the <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_FACTOR</code> data dictionary view. To find factors that are associated with Oracle Label Security policies, use <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_MAC_POLICY_FACTOR</code> .  See <a href="#">"DBA_DV_FACTOR View"</a> on page 18 and <a href="#">"DBA_DV_MAC_POLICY_FACTOR View"</a> on page 11-23.
p_policy_name	Oracle Label Security policy name.  Use the following data dictionary views to find information about policies and factors in the current database instance: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_MAC_POLICY</code>: Lists Oracle Label Security policies defined in the current database instance. See <a href="#">"DBA_DV_MAC_POLICY View"</a> on page 11-22.</li> <li>▪ <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_MAC_POLICY_FACTOR</code>: Lists the factors that are associated with Oracle Label Security policies for the current database instance. See <a href="#">"DBA_DV_MAC_POLICY_FACTOR View"</a> on page 11-23.</li> <li>▪ <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_POLICY_LABEL</code>: Lists the Oracle Label Security label for each factor identifier in the <code>DVSYS.DBA_DV_IDENTITY</code> view for each policy. See <a href="#">"DBA_DV_POLICY_LABEL View"</a> on page 11-24.</li> </ul>

### Example

```
BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE(
    rule_name => 'Get the ClientID Factor Label',
    rule_expr => 'DVSYS.GET_FACTOR_LABEL(''Sector2_ClientID'', ''Access
Locations'')');
END;
/
```

## Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Factor Functions

In addition to the functions and procedures made available from the `DVSYS` schema, the `DVF` schema contains a single function for each factor defined in the system. Oracle Database Vault maintains these functions when you use the `DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM` PL/SQL package to manage the various factors. The functions are then available to the general database account population through PL/SQL functions and standard SQL. This enables factors to be used in Oracle Label Security, Oracle Virtual Private Database (VPD), and so on.

Typically, you can incorporate these functions into rule expressions. For example:

```
BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE(
    rule_name => 'Not Internal DBA',
    rule_expr => 'DVF.F$SESSION_USER NOT IN (''JSMTIH'', ''TBROWN'')');
END;
/
```

To find the value of a factor function, select from the `DUAL` system table. For example:

```
SELECT DVF.F$SESSION_USER FROM DUAL;

F$SESSION_USER
-----
LBROWN_DVOWNER
```

The name of the factor itself is case-insensitive. For example, the following statements return the same result

```
select dvf.f$session_user from dual;

SELECT DVF.F$SESSION_USER FROM DUAL;
```

Table 15–8 lists the default factor functions.

**Table 15–8** Installed Oracle Database Vault Factor Functions

DVF Factor Function	Description
<a href="#">F\$AUTHENTICATION_METHOD Function</a>	Returns the method of authentication in <code>VARCHAR2</code> data type. In the list that follows, the type of user is followed by the method returned
<a href="#">F\$CLIENT_IP Function</a>	Returns the IP address of the computer from which the client is connected
<a href="#">F\$DATABASE_DOMAIN Function</a>	Returns the domain of the database as specified in the <code>DB_DOMAIN</code> initialization parameter
<a href="#">F\$DATABASE_HOSTNAME Function</a>	Returns the host name of the computer on which the database instance is running
<a href="#">F\$DATABASE_INSTANCE Function</a>	Returns the database instance identification number of the current database instance
<a href="#">F\$DATABASE_IP Function</a>	Returns the IP address of the computer on which the database instance is running
<a href="#">F\$DATABASE_NAME Function</a>	Returns the name of the database as specified in the <code>DB_NAME</code> initialization parameter
<a href="#">F\$DOMAIN Function</a>	Returns a named collection of physical, configuration, or implementation-specific factors in the run-time environment (for example, a networked IT environment or subset of it) that operates at a specific sensitivity level



**Table 15–8 (Cont.) Installed Oracle Database Vault Factor Functions**

DVF Factor Function	Description
<a href="#">F\$ENTERPRISE_IDENTITY Function</a>	Returns the enterprise-wide identity for a user
<a href="#">F\$IDENTIFICATION_TYPE Function</a>	Returns the way the schema of a user was created in the database. Specifically, it reflects the IDENTIFIED clause in the CREATE USER or ALTER USER syntax.
<a href="#">F\$LANG Function</a>	Returns the ISO abbreviation for the language name, a shorter form than the existing LANGUAGE parameter
<a href="#">F\$LANGUAGE Function</a>	Returns the language and territory currently used by your session, in VARCHAR2 data type, along with the database character set
<a href="#">F\$MACHINE Function</a>	Returns the computer (host) name for the database client that established the database session.
<a href="#">F\$NETWORK_PROTOCOL Function</a>	Returns the network protocol being used for communication, as specified in the PROTOCOL= <i>protocol</i> portion of the connect string
<a href="#">F\$PROXY_ENTERPRISE_IDENTITY Function</a>	Returns the Oracle Internet Directory distinguished name (DN) when the proxy user is an enterprise user
<a href="#">F\$SESSION_USER Function</a>	Returns the database user name by which the current user is authenticated

## F\$AUTHENTICATION\_METHOD Function

The F\$AUTHENTICATION\_METHOD function returns the method of authentication in VARCHAR2 data type. In the list that follows, the type of user is followed by the method returned:

- Password-authenticated enterprise user, local database user, or SYSDBA/SYSOPER using Password File; proxy with user name using password: PASSWORD
- Kerberos-authenticated enterprise or external user: KERBEROS
- SSL-authenticated enterprise or external user: SSL
- Radius-authenticated external user: RADIUS
- Operating system-authenticated external user or SYSDBA/SYSOPER: OS
- DCE-authenticated external user: DCE
- Proxy with certificate, distinguished name (DN), or user name without using password: NONE

You can use IDENTIFICATION\_TYPE to distinguish between external and enterprise users when the authentication method is Password, Kerberos, or SSL.

### Syntax

```
DVF.F$AUTHENTICATION_METHOD ()
RETURN VARCHAR2;
```

### Parameters

None.

### Example

```
BEGIN
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE(
rule_name => 'Check SSL Authentication Method',
rule_expr => 'DVF.F$AUTHENTICATION_METHOD = ''SSL''');
```

```
END;  
/
```

## F\$CLIENT\_IP Function

The F\$CLIENT\_IP function returns the IP address of the computer from which the client is connected, in VARCHAR2 data type.

### Syntax

```
DVF.F$CLIENT_IP (  
RETURN VARCHAR2;
```

### Parameters

None.

### Example

```
BEGIN  
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE(  
    rule_name => 'Check Client IP Address',  
    rule_expr => 'DVF.F$CLIENT_IP BETWEEN ''192.0.2.10'' AND ''192.0.2.20''');  
END;  
/
```

## F\$DATABASE\_DOMAIN Function

The F\$DATABASE\_DOMAIN function returns the domain of the database as specified in the DB\_DOMAIN initialization parameter, in VARCHAR2 data type.

### Syntax

```
DVF.F$DATABASE_DOMAIN (  
RETURN VARCHAR2;
```

### Parameters

None.

### Example

```
BEGIN  
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE(  
    rule_name => 'Check Client Database Domain',  
    rule_expr => 'DVF.F$DATABASE_DOMAIN NOT IN (''EXAMPLE'', ''YOURDOMAIN'')');  
END;  
/
```

## F\$DATABASE\_HOSTNAME Function

The F\$DATABASE\_HOSTNAME function returns the host name of the computer on which the instance is running, in VARCHAR2 data type.

### Syntax

```
DVF.F$DATABASE_HOSTNAME (  
RETURN VARCHAR2;
```

### Parameters

None.

**Example**

```

BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE(
    rule_name => 'Check Host Name',
    rule_expr => 'DVF.F$DATABASE_HOSTNAME IN (''SHOBEEN'', ''MAU'')');
END;
/

```

**F\$DATABASE\_INSTANCE Function**

The F\$DATABASE\_INSTANCE function returns the instance identification number of the current database instance, in VARCHAR2 data type.

**Syntax**

```

DVF.F$DATABASE_INSTANCE ()
RETURN VARCHAR2;

```

**Parameters**

None.

**Example**

```

BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE(
    rule_name => 'Check Database Instance ID',
    rule_expr => 'DVF.F$DATABASE_INSTANCE = ''SALES_DB''');
END;
/

```

**F\$DATABASE\_IP Function**

The F\$DATABASE\_IP function returns the IP address of the computer on which the database instance is running, in VARCHAR2 data type.

**Syntax**

```

DVF.F$DATABASE_IP ()
RETURN VARCHAR2;

```

**Parameters**

None.

**Example**

```

BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE(
    rule_name => 'Check Database IP address',
    rule_expr => 'DVF.F$DATABASE_IP = ''192.0.2.5''');
END;
/

```

**F\$DATABASE\_NAME Function**

The F\$DATABASE\_NAME function returns the name of the database as specified in the DB\_NAME initialization parameter, in VARCHAR2 data type.

**Syntax**

```

DVF.F$DATABASE_NAME ()

```

```
RETURN VARCHAR2;
```

**Parameters**

None.

**Example**

```
BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE(
    rule_name => 'Check Database DB_NAME Name',
    rule_expr => 'DVF.F$DATABASE_NAME = ''ORCL''');
END;
/
```

**F\$DOMAIN Function**

The F\$DOMAIN function returns a named collection of physical, configuration, or implementation-specific factors in the run-time environment (for example, a networked IT environment or subset of it) that operates at a specific sensitivity level. The return type is VARCHAR2.

You can identify a domain using factors such as host name, IP address, and database instance names of the Oracle Database Vault nodes in a secure access path to the database. Each domain can be uniquely determined using a combination of the factor identifiers that identify the domain. You can use these identifying factors and possibly additional factors to define the Maximum Security Label within the domain. This restricts data access and commands, depending on the physical factors about the Oracle Database Vault session. Example domains of interest may be Corporate Sensitive, Internal Public, Partners, and Customers.

**Syntax**

```
DVF.F$DOMAIN ()
RETURN VARCHAR2;
```

**Parameters**

None.

**Example**

```
BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE(
    rule_name => 'Check Domain',
    rule_expr => 'DVF.F$DOMAIN = ''EXAMPLE.COM''');
END;
/
```

**F\$ENTERPRISE\_IDENTITY Function**

The F\$ENTERPRISE\_IDENTITY function returns the enterprise-wide identity for a user, in VARCHAR2 data type:

- For enterprise users: the Oracle Internet Directory DN.
- For external users: the external identity (Kerberos principal name, Radius and DCE schema names, operating system user name, certificate DN).
- For local users and SYSDBA/SYSOPER logins: NULL.

The value of the attribute differs by proxy method:

- For a proxy with DN: the Oracle Internet Directory DN of the client.
- For a proxy with certificate: the certificate DN of the client for external users; the Oracle Internet Directory DN for global users.
- For a proxy with user name: the Oracle Internet Directory DN if the client is an enterprise user; NULL if the client is a local database user.

### Syntax

```
DVF.F$ENTERPRISE_IDENTITY ()
RETURN VARCHAR2;
```

### Parameters

None.

### Example

```
BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE(
    rule_name => 'Check User Enterprise Identity',
    rule_expr => 'DVF.F$ENTERPRISE_IDENTITY NOT IN (''JSMITH'', ''TSMITH'')');
END;
/
```

## F\$IDENTIFICATION\_TYPE Function

The F\$IDENTIFICATION\_TYPE function returns the way the schema of a user was created in the database. Specifically, it reflects the IDENTIFIED clause in the CREATE/ALTER USER syntax. The return type is VARCHAR2. In the list that follows, the syntax used during schema creation is followed by the identification type returned:

- IDENTIFIED BY *password*: LOCAL
- IDENTIFIED EXTERNALLY: EXTERNAL
- IDENTIFIED GLOBALLY: GLOBAL SHARED
- IDENTIFIED GLOBALLY AS DN: GLOBAL PRIVATE

### Syntax

```
DVF.F$IDENTIFICATION_TYPE ()
RETURN VARCHAR2;
```

### Parameters

None.

### Example

```
BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE(
    rule_name => 'Check User Schema Creation Type',
    rule_expr => 'DVF.F$IDENTIFICATION_TYPE = ''GLOBAL SHARED''');
END;
/
```

## F\$LANG Function

The F\$LANG function returns the ISO abbreviation for the language name, a shorter form than the existing LANGUAGE parameter, for the session of the user. The return type is VARCHAR2.

See *Oracle Database Globalization Support Guide* for a listing of supported languages for Oracle Database.

**Syntax**

```
DVF.F$LANG ()  
RETURN VARCHAR2;
```

**Parameters**

None.

**Example**

```
BEGIN  
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE(  
    rule_name => 'Check ISO Abbreviated Language Name',  
    rule_expr => 'DVF.F$LANG IN (''EN'', ''DE'', ''FR'')');  
END;  
/
```

**F\$LANGUAGE Function**

The F\$LANGUAGE function returns the language and territory currently used by a user session, in VARCHAR2 data type, along with the database character set, in the following form:

*language\_territory.characterset*

See *Oracle Database Globalization Support Guide* for a listing of supported languages and territories for Oracle Database.

**Syntax**

```
DVF.F$LANGUAGE ()  
RETURN VARCHAR2;
```

**Parameters**

None.

**Example**

```
BEGIN  
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE(  
    rule_name => 'Check Session Language and Territory',  
    rule_expr => 'DVF.F$LANGUAGE = ''AMERICAN_AMERICA.WE8ISO8859P1''');  
END;  
/
```

**F\$MACHINE Function**

The F\$MACHINE function returns the computer (host) name for the database client that established the database session. The return type is VARCHAR2.

**Syntax**

```
DVF.F$MACHINE ()  
RETURN VARCHAR2;
```

**Parameter**

None.

**Example**

```

BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE(
    rule_name => 'Check Client Computer Host Name',
    rule_expr => 'DVF.F$MACHINE NOT IN (''SHOBEEN'', ''SEBASTIAN'')');
END;
/

```

**F\$NETWORK\_PROTOCOL Function**

The F\$NETWORK\_PROTOCOL function returns the network protocol being used for communication, as specified in the `PROTOCOL=protocol` portion of the connect string. The return type is VARCHAR2.

**Syntax**

```

DVF.F$NETWORK_PROTOCOL ()
RETURN VARCHAR2;

```

**Parameters**

None.

**Example**

```

BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE(
    rule_name => 'Check Network Protocol',
    rule_expr => 'DVF.F$NETWORK_PROTOCOL = ''TCP''');
END;
/

```

**F\$PROXY\_ENTERPRISE\_IDENTITY Function**

The F\$PROXY\_ENTERPRISE\_IDENTITY function returns the Oracle Internet Directory distinguished name (DN) when the proxy user is an enterprise user. The return type is VARCHAR2.

**Syntax**

```

DVF.F$PROXY_ENTERPRISE_IDENTITY ()
RETURN VARCHAR2;

```

**Parameters**

None.

**Example**

```

BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE(
    rule_name => 'Get OID DN of Enterprise User',
    rule_expr => 'DVF.F$PROXY_ENTERPRISE_IDENTITY = ''cn=Provisioning Admins''');
END;
/

```

**F\$SESSION\_USER Function**

The F\$SESSION\_USER function returns the database user name by which the current user is authenticated. This value remains the same throughout the session. The return type is VARCHAR2.

**Syntax**

```
DVF.F$SESSION_USER ()
RETURN VARCHAR2;
```

**Parameters**

None.

**Example**

```
BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE(
    rule_name => 'Check Database User Name',
    rule_expr => 'DVF.F$SESSION_USER IN (''JSMITH'', ''TSMITH'')');
END;
/
```

## Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Rule Functions

Oracle Database Vault provides a set of functions that you can use in rule sets to inspect the SQL statement that you want the rule set to protect. For example, if a rule set protects `SELECT ON HR.EMPLOYEES` under a command rule, then you could use these functions to make more informed decisions in the rule expression.

Table 15–9 lists the default rule functions.

**Table 15–9 Installed Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Rule Set Functions**

Rule Set Function	Description
<a href="#">DV_SYSEVENT Function</a>	Returns the system event firing the rule set
<a href="#">DV_LOGIN_USER Function</a>	Returns the login user name
<a href="#">DV_INSTANCE_NUM Function</a>	Returns the database instance number
<a href="#">DV_DATABASE_NAME Function</a>	Returns the database name
<a href="#">DV_DICT_OBJ_TYPE Function</a>	Returns the type of the dictionary object on which the database operation occurred (for example, table, procedure, view)
<a href="#">DV_DICT_OBJ_OWNER Function</a>	Returns the owner of the dictionary object on which the database operation occurred
<a href="#">DV_DICT_OBJ_NAME Function</a>	Returns the name of the dictionary object on which the database operation occurred
<a href="#">DV_SQL_TEXT Function</a>	Returns the first 4000 characters of SQL text of the database statement used in the operation

### DV\_SYSEVENT Function

The `DV_SYSEVENT` function returns the system event firing the rule set, in `VARCHAR2` data type. The event name is the same as that in the syntax of the SQL statement (for example, `INSERT`, `CREATE`.)

**Syntax**

```
DVSYS.DV_SYSEVENT ()
RETURN VARCHAR2;
```



**Parameters**

None.

**Example**

```

BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE(
    rule_name => 'Get System Event Firing the Maintenance Rule Set',
    rule_expr => 'DVSYS.DV_SYSEVENT = ''CREATE''');
END;
/

```

**DV\_LOGIN\_USER Function**

The DV\_LOGIN\_USER function returns the login user name, in VARCHAR2 data type.

**Syntax**

```

DVSYS.DV_LOGIN_USER ()
RETURN VARCHAR2;

```

**Parameters**

None.

**Example**

```

BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE(
    rule_name => 'Check System Login User Name',
    rule_expr => 'DVSYS.DV_LOGIN_USER = ''SEBASTIAN''');
END;
/

```

**DV\_INSTANCE\_NUM Function**

The DV\_INSTANCE\_NUM function returns the database instance number, in NUMBER data type.

**Syntax**

```

DVSYS.DV_INSTANCE_NUM ()
RETURN NUMBER;

```

**Parameters**

None.

**Example**

```

BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE(
    rule_name => 'Check Database Instance Number',
    rule_expr => 'DVSYS.DV_INSTANCE_NUM BETWEEN 6 AND 9');
END;
/

```

## DV\_DATABASE\_NAME Function

The DV\_DATABASE\_NAME function returns the database name, in VARCHAR2 data type.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DV_DATABASE_NAME ()  
RETURN VARCHAR2;
```

### Parameters

None.

### Example

```
BEGIN  
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE(  
    rule_name => 'Check Database Name',  
    rule_expr => 'DVSYS.DV_DATABASE_NAME = ''ORCL''');  
END;  
/
```

## DV\_DICT\_OBJ\_TYPE Function

The DV\_DICT\_OBJ\_TYPE function returns the type of the dictionary object on which the database operation occurred (for example, table, procedure, or view). The return type is VARCHAR2.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DV_DICT_OBJ_TYPE ()  
RETURN VARCHAR2;
```

### Parameters

None.

### Example

```
BEGIN  
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE(  
    rule_name => 'Check Dictionary Object Type',  
    rule_expr => 'DVSYS.DV_DICT_OBJ_TYPE IN (''TABLE'', ''VIEW'')');  
END;  
/
```

## DV\_DICT\_OBJ\_OWNER Function

The DV\_DICT\_OBJ\_OWNER function returns the name of the owner of the dictionary object on which the database operation occurred. The return type is VARCHAR2.

### Syntax

```
DVSYS.DV_DICT_OBJ_OWNER ()  
RETURN VARCHAR2;
```

### Parameters

None.

### Example

```
BEGIN
```

```

DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE(
  rule_name => 'Check Dictionary Object Owner',
  rule_expr => 'DVSYS.DV_DICT_OBJ_OWNER = ''JSMITH''');
END;
/

```

## DV\_DICT\_OBJ\_NAME Function

The DV\_DICT\_OBJ\_NAME function returns the name of the dictionary object on which the database operation occurred. The return type is VARCHAR2.

### Syntax

```

DVSYS.DV_DICT_OBJ_NAME ()
RETURN VARCHAR2;

```

### Parameters

None.

### Example

```

BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE(
    rule_name => 'Check Dictionary Object Name',
    rule_expr => 'DVSYS.DV_DICT_OBJ_NAME = ''SALES''');
END;
/

```

## DV\_SQL\_TEXT Function

The DV\_SQL\_TEXT function returns the first 4000 characters of SQL text of the database statement used in the operation. The return type is VARCHAR2.

### Syntax

```

DVSYS.DV_SQL_TEXT ()
RETURN VARCHAR2;

```

### Parameters

None.

### Example

```

BEGIN
  DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE(
    rule_name => 'Check SQL Text',
    rule_expr => 'DVSYS.DV_SQL_TEXT = ''SELECT SALARY FROM HR.EMPLOYEES''');
END;
/

```

## Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL Packages

Oracle Database Vault provides a collection of PL/SQL package APIs to support the maintenance and run-time behavior of Oracle Database Vault. [Table 15–10](#) lists these packages. [Chapter 12, "Using the DVSYS.DBMS\\_MACADM Package,"](#) describes these packages in detail.

**Table 15–10 Oracle Database Vault Administrator and Run-Time PL/SQL Packages**

Package	Description
DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM	<p>Provides for the administration of all aspects of the secure and access control configuration data. The realm owner of the Oracle Database Vault realm can grant the ability to run this package.</p> <p>See <a href="#">Chapter 12, "Using the DVSYS.DBMS_MACADM Package,"</a> for more information.</p>
DVSYS.DBMS_MACSEC_ROLES	<p>Provides the CAN_SET_ROLE method to check whether the user invoking the method is authorized to use the specified Oracle Database Vault secure application role. The authorization is determined by checking the rule set associated with the role.</p> <p>The API also provides a method to issue the SET_ROLE statement for a Oracle Database Vault Secure Application Role. Before SET_ROLE is issued, the CAN_SET_ROLE method is called to check the rule set associated with the role. Run-time rule set behavior such as auditing, failure processing, and event handling occur during this process. The package is available to the general database account population.</p> <p>See <a href="#">Chapter 13, "Using the DVSYS.DBMS_MACSEC_ROLES Package,"</a> for more information.</p>
DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL	<p>Defines several constants and utility methods that are commonly used by other Oracle Database Vault packages, such as code/message lookup, error handling, data conversion, and privilege checks. This package can be run by the general database account population. This allows for security developers to leverage the constants in scripted configuration files. Utility methods such as USER_HAS_ROLE can also be used in Oracle Database Vault rules.</p> <p>See <a href="#">Chapter 14, "Using the DVSYS.DBMS_MACUTL Package,"</a> for more information.</p>

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**Note:** There are several procedures in the DVSYS.DBMS\_MACADM package that are not exposed in the Oracle Database Vault Administration Web application. The procedures that are not exposed include:

- CREATE\_DOMAIN\_IDENTITY
  - CREATE\_FACTOR\_TYPE
  - DELETE\_FACTOR\_TYPE
  - RENAME\_FACTOR\_TYPE
  - UPDATE\_FACTOR\_TYPE
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## Monitoring Oracle Database Vault

This chapter contains:

- [Security Violation Attempts](#)
- [Database Configuration and Structural Changes](#)
- [Security Policy Changes by Category](#)
- [Security Policy Changes Detail](#)

**See Also:** ["Providing Textual Descriptions of Database Vault Administrator Charts"](#) on page C-8 for information about configuring the charts in the Monitor page to provide textual descriptions for screen readers

### Security Violation Attempts

You can check for security violations, such as realm or command rule violations. This feature displays data such as the user name of the person committing the violation, the action they committed, and a time stamp of the activity.

Before you can view these events, you must ensure that the `AUDIT_TRAIL` initialization parameter is set to `DB` or `DB, EXTENDED`. For detailed information about the `AUDIT_TRAIL` parameter settings, see *Oracle Database Security Guide*.

To check for security violations:

1. Log in to Oracle Database Vault Administrator as a user who has been granted the `DV_OWNER`, `DV_ADMIN`, `DV_MONITOR`, or `DV_SECANALYST` role.

["Starting Oracle Database Vault"](#) on page 3-1 explains how to log in.

2. In the Administration page, click **Monitor**.
3. At the top of the Monitor page, set a period for the monitoring action by selecting from the **Show Records For** list and clicking **Go**.

This section of the Monitor page also indicates the last time the data on the page was refreshed.

4. In the Monitor page, click **Security Violation Attempts**.

A table appears, listing security policy changes.

**▼ Security Violation Attempts**  
 Feb 27, 2007 2:45:00 PM - Mar 6, 2007 2:45:00 PM

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Timestamp	User Name	User Host	Action Name	Return Code	Action Object Name	Rule Set Name	Action Command
Mar 6, 2007 1:20:03 PM	DBSNMP	LOCALHOST	Factor Evaluation Audit	0	Session_User		DVSY.S.GET_FACTOR('Session_User')
Mar 6, 2007 1:20:03 PM	DBSNMP	LOCALHOST	Factor Evaluation Audit	-1	Domain		DVSY.S.GET_FACTOR(Domain)
Mar 6, 2007 1:19:31 PM	DBV_OWNER	LOCALHOST	Factor Evaluation Audit	-1	Domain		DVSY.S.GET_FACTOR(Domain)
Mar 6, 2007 1:19:31 PM	DBV_OWNER	LOCALHOST	Factor Evaluation Audit	0	Session_User		DVSY.S.GET_FACTOR('Session_User')

## Database Configuration and Structural Changes

You can view structural changes to the database or database schema objects. This feature also audits statements such as CREATE TABLE, ALTER TABLE, DROP TABLE, and ALTER DATABASE. It audits all commands, not just commands that are used in command rules. For example, if someone has unexpectedly altered a table on a production system, you can use this feature to determine what is happening.

Before you can view these events, you must ensure that the AUDIT\_TRAIL initialization parameter is set to DB or DB, EXTENDED. For detailed information about the AUDIT\_TRAIL parameter settings, see *Oracle Database Security Guide*.

Follow these steps:

1. Log in to Oracle Database Vault Administrator as a user who has been granted the DV\_OWNER, DV\_ADMIN, DV\_MONITOR, or DV\_SECANALYST role.

"Starting Oracle Database Vault" on page 3-1 explains how to log in.

2. In the Administration page, click **Monitor**.
3. At the top of the Monitor page, set a period for the monitoring action by selecting from the **Show Records For** list and clicking **Go**.

This section of the Monitor page also indicates the last time the data on the page was refreshed.

4. In the Monitor page, click **Database Configuration and Structural Changes**.

A table similar to the following appears:

**▼ Database Configuration and Structural Changes**  
 Feb 27, 2007 2:54:52 PM - Mar 6, 2007 2:54:52 PM

Previous 1-10 of 15 Next 5

Timestamp	User Name	User Host	Action Name	Return Code	Owner	Object Name	Comment Text
Mar 6, 2007 1:04:25 PM		localhost	ALTER DATABASE	0			
Mar 6, 2007 10:17:35 AM		localhost	ALTER DATABASE	0			
Mar 2, 2007 6:59:50 PM	DBV_OWNER	localhost	CREATE FUNCTION	0	DVF	F\$MODULE	

## Security Policy Changes by Category

This section contains:

- [About Monitoring Security Policy Changes by Category](#)
- [Procedure for Monitoring Security Policy Changes by Category](#)

### About Monitoring Security Policy Changes by Category

You can check the number of policy changes for the categories in the following list. These categories reflect changes to the database security policy (that is, its configuration) in any given environment. If something changes that is security related, you can use the chart and tables to drill down to find unexpected changes that should be investigated.

Before you can view these events, you must ensure that the `AUDIT_TRAIL` initialization parameter is set to `DB` or `DB, EXTENDED`. For detailed information about the `AUDIT_TRAIL` parameter settings, see *Oracle Database Security Guide*.

- **Database Vault policy:** Shows changes made through the Oracle Database Vault administrative packages or user interface, indicating Oracle Database Vault configuration or policy changes.
- **Label Security policy:** Shows changes made through the Oracle Database Vault administrative packages or user interface, indicating Oracle Label Security policy or privilege changes.
- **Audit Policy:** Shows changes to the database audit policy coming from `AUDIT` or `NOAUDIT` statements.
- **Privilege Grants:** Shows changes to system or object privilege `GRANT` statements.
- **Privilege Revokes:** Shows changes to system or object privilege `REVOKE` statements.
- **Database Account:** Shows changes to `CREATE USER`, `ALTER USER`, or `DROP USER` statements.
- **Database Role:** Shows changes to `CREATE ROLE`, `ALTER ROLE`, or `DROP ROLE` statements.

### Procedure for Monitoring Security Policy Changes by Category

To monitor security policy changes by category:

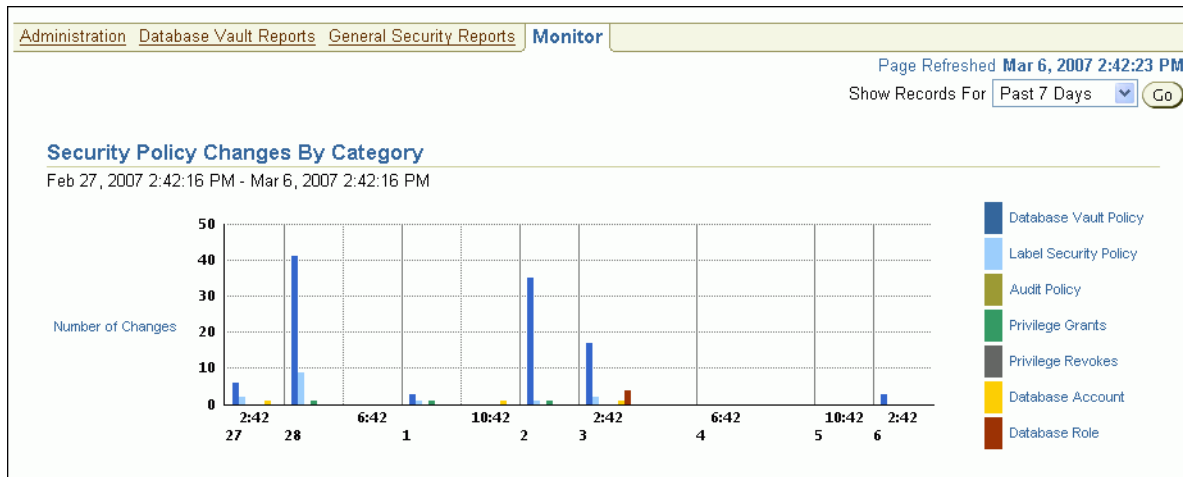
1. Log in to Oracle Database Vault Administrator as a user who has been granted the `DV_OWNER`, `DV_ADMIN`, `DV_MONITOR`, or `DV_SECANALYST` role.  
["Starting Oracle Database Vault"](#) on page 3-1 explains how to log on.
2. In the Administration page, click **Monitor**.
3. At the top of the Monitor page, set a period for the monitoring action by selecting from the **Show Records For** list and clicking **Go**.

This section of the Monitor page also indicates the last time the data on the page was refreshed.

4. In the Monitor page, check the graph under **Security Policy Changes by Category**.

A graph similar to the following appears, which shows the number of security policy changes based on the following categories: Oracle Database Vault policy,

Oracle Label Security policy, audit policy, privilege grants and revokes, database accounts, and database roles.



## Security Policy Changes Detail

You can check the details of security policy changes, such the user who made the change, the action that occurred, the time stamp of the change, and so on.

Before you can view these events, you must ensure that the AUDIT\_TRAIL initialization parameter is set to DB or DB, EXTENDED. For detailed information about the AUDIT\_TRAIL parameter settings, see *Oracle Database Security Guide*.

To monitor security policy changes by detail:

1. Log in to Oracle Database Vault Administrator as a user who has been granted the DV\_OWNER, DV\_ADMIN, DV\_MONITOR, or DV\_SECANALYST role.

"Starting Oracle Database Vault" on page 3-1 explains how to log in.

2. In the Administration page, click **Monitor**.
3. At the top of the Monitor page, set a period for the monitoring action by selecting from the **Show Records For** list and clicking **Go**.

This section of the page also indicates the last time the data on the page was refreshed.

4. In the Monitor page, click **Security Policy Changes by Detail**.

A table appears, listing the details for security policy changes.

▼ Security Policy Changes Detail								
Feb 27, 2007 2:50:48 PM - Mar 6, 2007 2:50:48 PM								
						Previous	1-10 of 130	Next 10
Timestamp	User Name	User Host	Action Name	Return Code	Owner	Object Name	Grantee	
Mar 6, 2007 1:21:57 PM	DEV_OWNER	localhost	UPDATE	0	DVSY\$	FACTOR\$		
Mar 6, 2007 1:21:18 PM	DEV_OWNER	localhost	UPDATE	0	DVSY\$	FACTOR\$		
Mar 6, 2007 1:20:09 PM	DEV_OWNER	localhost	DELETE	0	DVSY\$	COMMAND_RULE\$		



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## Oracle Database Vault Reports

This chapter contains:

- [Categories of Oracle Database Vault Reports](#)
- [Who Can Run the Oracle Database Vault Reports?](#)
- [How to Run Oracle Database Vault Reports](#)
- [Generating Oracle Database Vault Reports](#)
- [Generating General Security Reports](#)

**See Also:** ["Using Oracle Database Vault-Specific Reports in Enterprise Manager Grid Control"](#) on page 10-5

### Categories of Oracle Database Vault Reports

Oracle Database Vault provides a selection of reports that display security-related information from the database. These reports also show custom Oracle Database Vault audit event information. The reports are in two categories:

- **Database Vault Reports.** These reports allow you to check configuration issues with realms, command rules, factors, factor identities, rule sets, and secure application roles. These reports also reveal realm violations, auditing results, and so on.
- **General Security Reports.** These reports allow you to check the status of object privileges, database account system privileges, sensitive objects, privilege management, powerful database accounts and roles, initialization parameters, profiles, account passwords, security audits, and other security vulnerability reports.

### Who Can Run the Oracle Database Vault Reports?

You must log on using an account that has the `DV_OWNER`, `DV_ADMIN`, or `DV_SECANALYST` role before you can run the Oracle Database Vault reports. For more information about these roles, see the following sections:

- ["DV\\_OWNER Database Vault Owner Role"](#) on page 11-4
- ["DV\\_ADMIN Database Vault Configuration Administrator Role"](#) on page 11-6
- ["DV\\_SECANALYST Database Vault Security Analyst Role"](#) on page 11-7

## How to Run Oracle Database Vault Reports

To run Oracle Database Vault reports:

1. Log in to Database Vault Administrator as a user who has been granted the DV\_OWNER, DV\_ADMIN, or DV\_SECANALYST role.

["Starting Oracle Database Vault"](#) on page 3-1 explains how to log in.

2. Select either **Database Vault Reports** or **General Security Reports**.

These report categories are described in the following sections:

- ["Generating Oracle Database Vault Reports"](#) on page 17-2
- ["Generating General Security Reports"](#) on page 17-5

3. Select a report and click **Run Report** to run the report.

You can run many of the reports without any input parameters. For example, if you select the Audit Privileges Report, and click **Run Report**, then you can immediately see the report results. However, some of the available reports require at least one input parameter before the results can be displayed.

The Report Results page displays the report content in a tabular fashion with the column headings shown at the top of the report. The page displays the report title and the date and time when the report was run. Click **Return to Reports Menu** to return to the Reports page, so that you can select and run a different report if you want.

Some of the reports require at least one input parameter to be provided before they can be run. For example, when you select **Object Dependencies Report** and click **Run Report**, the Report Parameters page is displayed. The **Owner** box enables you to select the database account that owns the object. The **Object Name** field specifies the name of the object. You can use wildcard characters like the percentage sign (%), which defaults to all object names. The **Result Set Size** parameter determines the maximum number of result rows that are displayed. If you want all records to be displayed, then select **All**.

The parameters that you enter on this page are passed directly to the SQL query that generates the report results. Click **Run Report** to display the report results based on the specified parameters.

## Generating Oracle Database Vault Reports

To generate Oracle Database Vault reports, click the **Database Vault Reports** tab, and then select from the following categories of reports:

- [Oracle Database Vault Configuration Issues Reports](#)
- [Oracle Database Vault Auditing Reports](#)

### Oracle Database Vault Configuration Issues Reports

The configuration issues reports are:

- [Command Rule Configuration Issues Report](#)
- [Factor Configuration Issues Report](#)
- [Factor Without Identities Report](#)
- [Identity Configuration Issues Report](#)

- [Realm Authorization Configuration Issues Report](#)
- [Rule Set Configuration Issues Report](#)
- [Secure Application Configuration Issues Report](#)

### **Command Rule Configuration Issues Report**

The Command Rule Configuration Issues Report displays command rules for which the following configuration issues exist:

- Rule set for the command rule is disabled.
- Rule set for the command rule is incomplete.
- Object owner for the command rule does not exist. This can happen when the user account for the object has been dropped.

### **Factor Configuration Issues Report**

The Factor Configuration Issues Report displays Oracle Database Vault factors for which the following configuration issues exist:

- Rule set for factor assignment is disabled.
- Rule set for factor assignment is incomplete.
- Audit options for the factor are invalid.
- No factor retrieval method or constant exists.
- No subfactors (that is, child factors) are linked to a factor identity.
- No subfactors (child factors) are linked to a label factor.
- Oracle Label Security policy does not exist for the factor.

### **Factor Without Identities Report**

The Factor Without Identities Report displays Oracle Database Vault factors that have no identities defined in the access control configuration. For some factors such as `Background_Job_Id`, this may not be a real problem, but the report can help you determine whether your access control configuration is complete and whether you have accounted for all factor configuration.

### **Identity Configuration Issues Report**

The Identity Configuration Issues Report displays Oracle Database Vault factor identities where the following configuration issues exist:

- Label identity for the Oracle Label Security label for this identity has been removed and no longer exists.
- No map exists for the identity.

### **Realm Authorization Configuration Issues Report**

The Realm Authorization Configuration Issues Report displays Oracle Database Vault realm information where the following configuration issues exist.

- Rule set for a realm authorization is disabled.
- Grantee does not exist for a realm authorization.
- Owner does not exist for a realm-secured object. This can happen when the user account has been dropped.

In most cases, however, these types of issues are caught when you configure the realm and during validation.

### **Rule Set Configuration Issues Report**

The Rule Set Configuration Issues Report displays Oracle Database Vault rule set information when no rules are defined or enabled for a rule set.

### **Secure Application Configuration Issues Report**

The Secure Application Configuration Issues Report displays Database Vault secure application role information where the following configuration issues exist:

- The database role does not exist. This can happen when the database role has been dropped.
- The rule set for role is disabled.
- The rule set for role is incomplete.

## **Oracle Database Vault Auditing Reports**

The auditing reports are:

- [Realm Audit Report](#)
- [Command Rule Audit Report](#)
- [Factor Audit Report](#)
- [Label Security Integration Audit Report](#)
- [Core Database Vault Audit Trail Report](#)
- [Secure Application Role Audit Report](#)

### **Realm Audit Report**

The Realm Audit Report shows audit records generated by the realm protection and realm authorization operations. You can manage realm authorizations by using rule sets, and then audit the rule set processing results. A realm violation occurs when the database account, performing an action on a realm-protected object, is not authorized to perform that action. Oracle Database Vault audits the violation even if you do not specify any rule sets attached to the realm. When you configure a realm, you can set it to audit instances of realm violations. You can use this information to investigate attempts to break security.

### **Command Rule Audit Report**

The Command Rule Audit Report shows audit records generated by command rule processing operations. When you configure a command rule, you can set it to audit the rule set processing results.

### **Factor Audit Report**

The Factor Audit Report shows factors that failed to evaluate or were set to create audit records under various conditions. It also shows failed attempts to set factors.

You can audit instances where a factor identity cannot be resolved and assigned (such as *No data found* or *Too many rows*). A factor can have an associated rule set that assigns an identity to the factor at run time. When you configure a factor, you can set it to audit the rule set processing results.

### Label Security Integration Audit Report

The Label Security Integration Audit Report shows audit records generated by the session initialization operation and the session label assignment operation of label security. You can audit instances where the label security session fails to initialize, and where the label security component prevents a session from setting a label that exceeds the maximum session label.

### Core Database Vault Audit Trail Report

The Core Database Vault Audit Trail Report shows audit records generated by the core access security session initialization operation. You can audit instances where the access security session fails to initialize. It displays the following data:

Violation Attempt	Instance Number
Timestamp	Object Name
Return Code	Rule Set
Account	Command
User Host	

### Secure Application Role Audit Report

The Secure Application Role Audit Report shows the audit records generated by the secure application role-enabling operation for Oracle Database Vault.

## Generating General Security Reports

To generate general security reports, click the **General Security Reports** tab, and then select from the following reports:

- [Object Privilege Reports](#)
- [Database Account System Privileges Reports](#)
- [Sensitive Objects Reports](#)
- [Privilege Management - Summary Reports](#)
- [Powerful Database Accounts and Roles Reports](#)
- [Initialization Parameters and Profiles Reports](#)
- [Database Account Password Reports](#)
- [Security Audit Report: Core Database Audit Report](#)
- [Other Security Vulnerability Reports](#)

### Object Privilege Reports

The object privilege reports are:

- [Object Access By PUBLIC Report](#)
- [Object Access Not By PUBLIC Report](#)
- [Direct Object Privileges Report](#)
- [Object Dependencies Report](#)

### Object Access By PUBLIC Report

The Object Access By PUBLIC Report lists all objects whose access has been granted to PUBLIC. It details all the object access the database accounts that you specify on the Report Parameters page, through object grants to PUBLIC. On the Reports Parameters page, you can filter the results based on the privilege, the object owner, or the object name.

**Note:** This report can be quite large if you choose the defaults.

### Object Access Not By PUBLIC Report

The Object Access Not By PUBLIC Report describes all the object access the database accounts that you specify on the Report Parameters page, through grants to the account directly or through a role, but excluding the grants to PUBLIC. On the Reports Parameters page, you can filter the results based on the privilege, the object owner or the object name.

**Note:** This report can be quite large if you choose the defaults.

### Direct Object Privileges Report

The Direct Object Privileges Report shows the direct object privileges granted to *nonsystem* database accounts. The following database accounts are excluded from the report:

CTXSYS	LBACSYS	SYS	WMSYS
DMSYS	MDSYS	SYSMAN	
DVSYS	ORDSYS	SYSTEM	
EXFSYS	PUBLIC	WKSYS	

### Object Dependencies Report

The Object Dependencies Report describes all dependencies in the database between procedures, packages, functions, package bodies, and triggers, including dependencies on views created without any database links. It can help you develop a security policy using the principle of least privilege for existing applications. If a database object, such as a UTL\_FILE package, has privileges granted to PUBLIC or some other global role, then you can use the Object Dependencies Report to determine an account that may depend on the object and to determine how the account uses the object. To run the report, enter the database account you are inspecting for dependency and the object it may be dependent on, in the Report Parameters page.

The Report Results page shows the dependent object and object type and the source object name and type. This report shows where the potentially sensitive object is being used. By looking at several accounts, you might be able to see patterns that can help you develop restricted roles. These restricted roles can replace PUBLIC grants on widely used sensitive objects.

## Database Account System Privileges Reports

The database account system privileges reports are:

- [Direct System Privileges By Database Account Report](#)
- [Direct and Indirect System Privileges By Database Account Report](#)
- [Hierarchical System Privileges by Database Account Report](#)

- [ANY System Privileges for Database Accounts Report](#)
- [System Privileges By Privilege Report](#)

### **Direct System Privileges By Database Account Report**

The Direct System Privileges By Database Account Report displays all system privileges that have been directly granted to the database account selected on the Report Parameters page. It also shows whether a privilege has been granted the `WITH ADMIN` option.

### **Direct and Indirect System Privileges By Database Account Report**

The Direct and Indirect System Privileges By Database Account Report displays all the system privileges for the database account selected on the Report Parameters page. The system privileges may have been granted directly or granted through a database role that has the `WITH ADMIN` status.

### **Hierarchical System Privileges by Database Account Report**

The Hierarchical System Privileges by Database Account Report displays a hierarchical breakdown of role-based system privileges and direct system privileges granted to the database account specified on the Report Parameters page.

### **ANY System Privileges for Database Accounts Report**

The ANY System Privileges for Database Accounts Report shows all ANY system privileges granted to the specified database account or role. ANY system privileges are very powerful and should be judiciously assigned to accounts and roles.

### **System Privileges By Privilege Report**

The System Privileges By Privilege Report displays the database accounts and roles that have the system privilege selected on the Report Parameters page.

## **Sensitive Objects Reports**

The sensitive objects reports are:

- [Execute Privileges to Strong SYS Packages Report](#)
- [Access to Sensitive Objects Report](#)
- [Public Execute Privilege To SYS PL/SQL Procedures Report](#)
- [Accounts with SYSDBA/SYSOPER Privilege Report](#)

### **Execute Privileges to Strong SYS Packages Report**

The Execute Privileges to Strong SYS Packages Report shows the database accounts and roles that have the `EXECUTE` privilege on system packages that can be used to access operating system resources or other powerful system packages. The following system PL/SQL packages are included:

DBMS_ALERT	DBMS_RANDOM
DBMS_BACKUP_RESTORE	DBMS_REPAIR
DBMS_CAPTURE_ADM	DBMS_REPCAT
DBMS_DDL	DBMS_REPCAT_ADMIN

DBMS_DISTIBUTED_TRUST_ADMIN	DBMS_RESOURCE_MANAGER
DBMS_FGA	DBMS_RESOURCE_MANAGER_PRIVS
DBMS_JOB	DBMS_RLS
DBMS_LDAP	DBMS_SESSION
DBMS_LOB	DEBUG_EXTPROC
DBMS_LOGMNR	UTL_FILE
DBMS_LOGMNR_D	UTL_HTTP
DBMS_OBFUSCATION_TOOLKIT	UTL_SMTP
DBMS_ORACLE_TRACE_AGENT	UTL_TCP
DBMS_PIPE	

### Access to Sensitive Objects Report

The Access to Sensitive Objects Report shows the database accounts and roles that have object privileges on system tables or views that contain sensitive information. It includes the following system tables and views:

ALL_SOURCE	PROFILE\$
ALL_USERS	PROXY_ROLE_DATA\$
APPROLE\$	PROXY_ROLE_INFO\$
AUD\$	ROLE_ROLE_PRIVS
AUDIT_TRAIL\$	SOURCE\$
DBA_ROLE_PRIVS	STATS\$SQLTEXT
DBA_ROLES	STATS\$SQL_SUMMARY
DBA_TAB_PRIVS	STREAMS\$_PRIVILEGED_USER
DBMS_BACKUP_RESTORE	SYSTEM_PRIVILEGE_MAP
DEFROLE\$	TABLE_PRIVILEGE_MAP
FGA_LOG\$	TRIGGER\$
LINK\$	USER\$
OBJ\$	USER_HISTORY\$
OBJAUTH\$	USER_TAB_PRIVS
OBJPRIV\$	SYSTEM_PRIVILEGE_MAP

### Public Execute Privilege To SYS PL/SQL Procedures Report

The Public Execute Privilege to SYS PL/SQL Procedures Report shows all database accounts and roles that have execute privileges on packages owned by SYS. This can be used to determine which privileges can be revoked from PUBLIC, or from other accounts and roles. This reduces vulnerabilities as part of an overall security policy implementation using the principle of least privilege.

### Accounts with SYSDBA/SYSOPER Privilege Report

The Accounts with SYSDBA/SYSOPER Privilege Report displays database accounts that have SYS-privileged connection privileges. It also shows whether the accounts use



an external password. However, note that this report does not include operating system users who can become SYSDBA.

## Privilege Management - Summary Reports

The privilege management summary reports are:

- [Privileges Distribution By Grantee Report](#)
- [Privileges Distribution By Grantee, Owner Report](#)
- [Privileges Distribution By Grantee, Owner, Privilege Report](#)

**See Also:** "[DBA\\_DV\\_PUB\\_PRIVS View](#)" on page 11-24 to find the values on which the counts listed in these reports are based

### Privileges Distribution By Grantee Report

The Privileges Distribution By Grantee Report displays the count of privileges granted to a database account or role. This provides insight into accounts and roles that may have powerful privileges.

### Privileges Distribution By Grantee, Owner Report

The Privileges Distribution By Grantee, Owner Report displays a count of privileges based on the grantee and the owner of the object. This provides insight into accounts or roles that may have powerful privileges. You can use this report if you suspect potential intruders or insider threats are looking for accounts that have powerful privileges as accounts to attack or compromise. If intruders can compromise the account (for example, by guessing the password), they can get more privileges than they already have.

### Privileges Distribution By Grantee, Owner, Privilege Report

The Privileges Distribution By Grantee, Owner, Privilege Report displays a count of privileges based on the privilege, the grantee, and the owner of the object. This provides insight into the accounts or roles that may have powerful privileges.

## Powerful Database Accounts and Roles Reports

The powerful database accounts and roles reports are:

- [WITH ADMIN Privilege Grants Report](#)
- [Accounts With DBA Roles Report](#)
- [Security Policy Exemption Report](#)
- [BECOME USER Report](#)
- [ALTER SYSTEM or ALTER SESSION Report](#)
- [Password History Access Report](#)
- [WITH GRANT Privileges Report](#)
- [Roles/Accounts That Have a Given Role Report](#)
- [Database Accounts With Catalog Roles Report](#)
- [AUDIT Privileges Report](#)
- [OS Security Vulnerability Privileges Report](#)

**See Also:**

- ["DBA\\_DV\\_PUB\\_PRIVS View"](#) on page 11-24
- ["DBA\\_DV\\_USER\\_PRIVS View"](#) on page 11-29
- ["DBA\\_DV\\_USER\\_PRIVS\\_ALL View"](#) on page 11-30

**WITH ADMIN Privilege Grants Report**

The WITH ADMIN Privileges Grants Report shows all database accounts and roles that have been granted privileges with the WITH ADMIN clause. This privilege can be misused to give another account more system privileges than required.

**Accounts With DBA Roles Report**

The Accounts With DBA Roles Report shows all database accounts that have the DBA role granted to them. The DBA role is a privileged role that can be misused. It is often granted to a database account to save time and to avoid having to determine the least number of privileges an account really needs. This report can help you to start applying a policy using the principle of least privilege to an existing database.

For guidelines on deciding who should have privileged roles, see [Appendix D, "Oracle Database Vault Security Guidelines."](#)

**Security Policy Exemption Report**

The Security Policy Exemption Report shows database (but not Oracle Database Vault) accounts and roles that have the EXEMPT ACCESS POLICY system privilege granted to them. Accounts that have this privilege can bypass all Virtual Private Database (VPD) policy filters and any Oracle Label Security policies that use Oracle Virtual Private Database indirectly. This is a powerful system privilege that should be granted only if absolutely necessary, as it presents a target to gain access to sensitive information in tables that are protected by Oracle Virtual Private Database or Oracle Label Security. You can use the auditing policies described in [Appendix A, "Auditing Oracle Database Vault,"](#) to audit the use of this privilege.

**BECOME USER Report**

The BECOME USER Report shows all database accounts roles that have the BECOME USER system privilege. This is a very powerful system privilege: it enables the IMP\_FULL\_DATABASE and EXP\_FULL\_DATABASE roles for use with Oracle Data Pump. Accounts that possess this privilege can be misused to get sensitive information or to compromise an application.

**ALTER SYSTEM or ALTER SESSION Report**

The ALTER SYSTEM or ALTER SESSION Report shows all database accounts and roles that have the ALTER SYSTEM or ALTER SESSION privilege. Oracle recommends that you restrict these privileges only to those accounts and roles that truly need them (for example, the SYS account and the DV\_ADMIN role). The ALTER SYSTEM statement can be used to change the security-related database initialization parameters that are set to recommended values as part of the Oracle Database Vault security strengthening service. Both the ALTER SYSTEM and ALTER SESSION statements can be used to dump database trace files, potentially containing sensitive configuration information, to the operating system.

For guidelines on using the ALTER SYSTEM and ALTER SESSION privileges, see ["Security Considerations for the ALTER SYSTEM and ALTER SESSION Privileges"](#) on page D-10.

### **Password History Access Report**

The Password History Access Report shows database accounts that have access to the `USER_HISTORY$` table that stores hashed passwords that were previously used by each account. Access to this table can make guessing the existing password for an account easier for someone hacking the database.

### **WITH GRANT Privileges Report**

The WITH GRANT Privileges Report shows all database accounts that have been granted privileges with the `WITH GRANT` clause. Remember that `WITH GRANT` is used for object-level privileges: An account that has been granted privileges using the `WITH GRANT` option can be misused to grant object privileges to another account.

### **Roles/Accounts That Have a Given Role Report**

This report displays the database accounts and roles to which a role has been granted. This report is provided for dependency analysis.

### **Database Accounts With Catalog Roles Report**

The Database Accounts With Catalog Roles Report displays all database accounts and roles that have the following roles granted to them:

- `DELETE_CATALOG_ROLE`
- `EXECUTE_CATALOG_ROLE`
- `RECOVERY_CATALOG_OWNER`
- `SELECT_CATALOG_ROLE`

These catalog-based roles have a very large number of powerful privileges. They should be granted with caution, much like the `DBA` role, which uses them.

### **AUDIT Privileges Report**

The AUDIT Privileges Report displays all database accounts and roles that have the `AUDIT ANY` or `AUDIT SYSTEM` privilege. This privilege can be used to disable auditing, which could be used to eliminate the audit trail record of an intruder who has compromised the system. The accounts that have this privilege could be targets for intruders.

### **OS Security Vulnerability Privileges Report**

The OS Security Vulnerability Privileges Report shows the database accounts and roles that have the required system privileges to export sensitive or otherwise protected information to the operating system.

## **Initialization Parameters and Profiles Reports**

The initialization parameters and profiles reports are:

- [Security Related Database Parameters Report](#)
- [Resource Profiles Report](#)
- [System Resource Limits Report](#)

### **Security Related Database Parameters Report**

The Security Related Database Parameters Report displays database parameters that can cause security vulnerabilities, if not set correctly. This report can be used to

compare the recommended settings with the current state of the database parameter values.

### **Resource Profiles Report**

The Resource Profiles Report provides a view of resource profiles, such as `CPU_PER_SESSION` and `IDLE_TIME`, that may be allowing unlimited resource consumption. You should review the profiles that might need a cap on the potential resource usage.

### **System Resource Limits Report**

The System Resource Limits Report provides insight into the current system resource usage by the database. This helps determine whether any of these resources are approaching their limits under the existing application load. Resources that show large increases over a short period may point to a denial-of-service (DoS) attack. You might want to reduce the upper limit for the resource to prevent the condition in the future.

## **Database Account Password Reports**

The database account password reports are:

- [Database Account Default Password Report](#)
- [Database Account Status Report](#)

### **Database Account Default Password Report**

The Database Account Default Password Report lists the database accounts that have default passwords. Default passwords are provided during the Oracle Database installation.

You should change the passwords for accounts included in this report to nondefault, complex passwords to help secure the database.

### **Database Account Status Report**

The Database Account Status Report provides a quick view of existing database accounts. The report shows the account status for each account, which helps you identify accounts that must be locked. Lock and expiry dates provide information that helps determine whether the account was locked as a result of password aging. If a special password and resource secure profile is used, then you can identify accounts that are not using them. Accounts not using organizationally defined default tablespaces also can be identified, and the temporary tablespace for accounts can be determined. This report also identifies accounts that use external passwords.

## **Security Audit Report: Core Database Audit Report**

The Core Database Audit Report returns audit records for the audit policy defined in [Appendix A, "Auditing Oracle Database Vault,"](#) and any auditing records that are generated for audit statements you have defined.

This report only displays audit records that are captured if the database initialization parameter `AUDIT_TRAIL` has been set to `DB`. For more information about the `AUDIT_TRAIL` parameter, see *Oracle Database SQL Language Reference*.

## Other Security Vulnerability Reports

The other security vulnerability reports are:

- [Java Policy Grants Report](#)
- [OS Directory Objects Report](#)
- [Objects Dependent on Dynamic SQL Report](#)
- [Unwrapped PL/SQL Package Bodies Report](#)
- [Username/Password Tables Report](#)
- [Tablespace Quotas Report](#)
- [Non-Owner Object Trigger Report](#)

### Java Policy Grants Report

The Java Policy Grants Report shows the Java policy permissions stored in the database. It helps reveal violations to the principle of least privilege. Look for `GRANT`, `READ`, or `WRITE` privileges to `PUBLIC` or other accounts and roles that do not necessarily need the privilege. It is advisable to disable Java loading privileges from `PUBLIC`, if Java is not required in the database.

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**Note:** Oracle JVM, the Java virtual machine option provided with Oracle Database Vault, must be installed before you can run the Java Policy Grants Report.

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### OS Directory Objects Report

The OS Directory Objects Report shows all directory objects that exist in the database, whether they are available to `PUBLIC`, and what their privileges are. Directory objects should exist only for secured operating system (OS) directories, and access to them within the database should be protected. You should never use the root operating system directory on any storage device (for example, `/`), because it allows remote database sessions to look at all files on the device.

### Objects Dependent on Dynamic SQL Report

The Objects Dependent on Dynamic SQL Report shows objects that leverage dynamic SQL. Potential intruders have a greater chance of using this channel if parameter checking or bind variables are not used. The report helps by narrowing the scope of where to look for problems by pointing out who is using dynamic SQL. Such objects can be a target for a SQL injection attack and must be secured to avoid this type of attack. After determining the objects that use dynamic SQL, do the following:

- Check the privileges that client applications (for example, a Web application) have over the object.
- Check the access granted for the object to `PUBLIC` or a wider account base.
- Validate parameters.
- Use bind variables where possible.

### Unwrapped PL/SQL Package Bodies Report

The Unwrapped PL/SQL Package Bodies Report displays PL/SQL package procedures that are not wrapped. Oracle provides a wrap utility that obfuscates code to the point where it cannot be read in the data dictionary or from the data dictionary

views. This helps reduce the ability of an intruder to circumvent data protection by eliminating the ability to read source code that manipulates data.

### **Username/Password Tables Report**

The Username/Password Tables Report helps to identify application tables in the database that store user names and password strings. You should examine these tables to determine if the information is encrypted. (Search for column names such as %USER%NAME% or %PASSWORD%.) If it is not, modify the code and applications using these tables to protect them from being visible to database sessions.

### **Tablespace Quotas Report**

The Tablespace Quotas Report shows all database accounts that have quotas on one or more tablespaces. These tablespaces can become potential targets for denial-of-service (DoS) attacks.

### **Non-Owner Object Trigger Report**

The Non-Owner Object Trigger Report lists triggers that are owned by a database account that is different from the account that owns the database object on which the trigger acts. If the trigger is not part of a trusted database application, then it can *steal* sensitive data, possibly from tables protected through Oracle Label Security or Virtual Private Database (VPD), and place it into an unprotected table for subsequent viewing or export.

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# Auditing Oracle Database Vault

This appendix contains:

- [Oracle Database Vault Specific Audit Events](#)
- [Archiving and Purging the Oracle Database Vault Audit Trail](#)
- [Oracle Database Audit Settings Created for Oracle Database Vault](#)

## Oracle Database Vault Specific Audit Events

This section contains:

- [Oracle Database Vault Audit Events](#)
- [Format of the Oracle Database Vault Audit Trail](#)

## Oracle Database Vault Audit Events

Oracle Database Vault uses audit events to track the following activities:

- **Realm Audit.** You can audit both successful and failed actions, based on the auditing option that you set when you created the realm. The exception to this is actions performed by the schema owner.
- **Rule Set Audit.** Audits the rule set processing results. You can audit both successful and failed processing. Realm authorizations can be managed using rule sets. You can audit the rule set processing results. Factor assignments and secure application roles audits can be managed using a rule set.
- **Factor Audit.** You can audit both successful and failed factor processing. For failed factor processing, you can audit on all or any of the following events: Retrieval Error, Retrieval Null, Validation Error, Validation False, Trust Level Null, or Trust Level Less Than Zero.
- **Oracle Label Security Session Initialization Failed.** Audits instances where the Oracle Label Security session fails to initialize.
- **Oracle Label Security Attempt to Upgrade Session Label Failed.** Audits instances where the Oracle Label Security component prevents a session from setting a label that exceeds the maximum session label.

**See Also:**

- ["Audit Options"](#) on page 7-9 (for factors)
- ["Audit Options"](#) on page 5-4 (for rule sets)
- ["Defining Realm Authorization"](#) on page 4-5
- [Chapter 17, "Oracle Database Vault Reports,"](#) for information about viewing the audit reports

## Format of the Oracle Database Vault Audit Trail

The Oracle Database Vault audit event records are stored in the `AUDIT_TRAIL$` table, which is part of the `DVSYS` schema. These audit records are not part of the Oracle Database audit trail, and how auditing is enabled in the database has no effect how Oracle Database Vault collects its audit data in the `AUDIT_TRAIL$` table. In fact, even if auditing has been disabled in Oracle Database, then the Oracle Database Vault audit functionality continues to write to the `AUDIT_TRAIL$` table. Users who have been granted the `DV_OWNER`, `DV_ADMIN`, or `DV_SECANALYST` role can directly query the `DVYS.AUDIT_TRAIL$` table.

Users who have been granted the `DV_OWNER`, `DV_ADMIN`, `DV_SECANALYST` or `DV_MONITOR` role can directly query the `DVYS.AUDIT_TRAIL$` table.

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**Note:** Oracle Audit Vault can collect the audit data for Oracle Database Vault. See *Oracle Audit Vault Administrator's Guide* for more information.

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[Table A-1](#) describes the format of the audit trail, which you must understand if you plan to create custom reports that use the `AUDIT_TRAIL$` table.

**Table A-1 Oracle Database Vault Audit Trail Format**

Column	Datatype	Null	Description
ID#	NUMBER	NOT NULL	Numeric identifier for the audit record
OS_USERNAME	VARCHAR2 (255)		Operating system login user name of the user whose actions were audited
USERNAME	VARCHAR2 (30)		Name of the database user whose actions were audited
USERHOST	VARCHAR2 (128)		Client computer name
TERMINAL	VARCHAR2 (255)		Identifier for the user's terminal
TIMESTAMP	DATE		Date and time of creation of the audit trail entry (in the local database session time zone)
OWNER	VARCHAR2 (30)		Creator of the object affected by the action, always <code>DVSYS</code> (because <code>DVSYS</code> is where objects are created)
OBJ_NAME	VARCHAR2 (128)		Name of the object affected by the action. Expected values are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <code>ROLE\$</code></li> <li>■ <code>REALM\$</code></li> <li>■ <code>CODE\$</code></li> <li>■ <code>FACTOR\$</code></li> </ul>



**Table A-1 (Cont.) Oracle Database Vault Audit Trail Format**

Column	Datatype	Null	Description
ACTION	NUMBER	NOT NULL	Numeric action type code. The corresponding name of the action type is in the ACTION_NAME column. Expected ACTION and ACTION_NAME values are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 10000: Factor Evaluation Audit</li> <li>■ 10001: Factor Assignment Audit</li> <li>■ 10002: Factor Expression Audit</li> <li>■ 10003: Realm Violation Audit</li> <li>■ 10004: Realm Authorization Audit</li> <li>■ 10005: Command Authorization Audit</li> <li>■ 10006: Secure Role Audit</li> <li>■ 10007: Access Control Session Initialization Audit</li> <li>■ 10008: Access Control Command Authorization Audit</li> <li>■ 10009: Oracle Label Security Session Initialization Audit</li> <li>■ 10010: Oracle Label Security Attempt to Upgrade Label Audit</li> </ul>
ACTION_NAME	VARCHAR2 (128)		Name of the action type corresponding to the numeric code in the ACTION column
ACTION_OBJECT_ID	NUMBER		The unique identifier of the record in the table specified under OBJ_NAME
ACTION_OBJECT_NAME	VARCHAR2 (128)		The unique name or natural key of the record in the table specified under OBJ_NAME
ACTION_COMMAND	VARCHAR2 (4000)		The SQL text of the command procedure that was executed that resulted in the audit event being triggered
AUDIT_OPTION	VARCHAR2 (4000)		The labels for all audit options specified in the record that resulted in the audit event being triggered. For example, a factor set operation that is supposed to audit on get failure and get NULL would indicate these two options.
RULE_SET_ID	NUMBER		The unique identifier of the rule set that was executing and caused the audit event to trigger
RULE_SET_NAME	VARCHAR2 (30)		The unique name of the rule set that was executing and caused the audit event to trigger
RULE_ID	NUMBER		Not used
RULE_NAME	VARCHAR2 (30)		Not used
FACTOR_CONTEXT	VARCHAR2 (4000)		An XML document that contains all of the factor identifiers for the current session at the point when the audit event was triggered
COMMENT_TEXT	VARCHAR2 (4000)		Text comment on the audit trail entry, providing more information about the statement audited
SESSIONID	NUMBER	NOT NULL	Numeric identifier for each Oracle session
ENTRYID	NUMBER	NOT NULL	Same as the value in the ID# column

**Table A-1 (Cont.) Oracle Database Vault Audit Trail Format**

Column	Datatype	Null	Description
STATEMENTID	NUMBER	NOT NULL	Numeric identifier for the statement invoked that caused the audit event to be generated. This is empty for most Oracle Database Vault events.
RETURNCODE	NUMBER	NOT NULL	Oracle error code generated by the action. The error code for a statement or procedure invoked that caused the audit event to be generated. This is empty for most Oracle Database Vault events.
EXTENDED_TIMESTAMP	TIMESTAMP (6) WITH TIME ZONE		Time stamp of creation of the audit trail entry (time stamp of user login for entries) in UTC (Coordinated Universal Time) time zone
PROXY_SESSIONID	NUMBER		Proxy session serial number, if an enterprise user has logged in through the proxy mechanism
GLOBAL_UID	VARCHAR2 (32)		Global user identifier for the user, if the user has logged in as an enterprise user
INSTANCE_NUMBER	NUMBER		Instance number as specified by the INSTANCE_NUMBER initialization parameter
OS_PROCESS	VARCHAR2 (16)		Operating system process identifier of the Oracle process
CREATED_BY	VARCHAR2 (30)		Database login user name of the user whose actions were audited
CREATE_DATE	DATE		Date on which the action occurred, based on the SYSDATE date
UPDATED_BY	VARCHAR2 (30)		Same as CREATED_BY column value
UPDATE_DATE	DATE		Same as UPDATED_BY column value

## Archiving and Purging the Oracle Database Vault Audit Trail

You can create an archive of the Oracle Database Vault audit trail by exporting the `AUDIT_TRAIL$` system table, which is owned by `DVSYSD`, to a dump file. You should periodically archive and then purge the audit trail to prevent it from growing too large.

To archive and purge the Oracle Database Vault audit trail:

1. Ensure that you or the user performing the export operation has been granted the appropriate authorization.

See ["Using Oracle Data Pump in an Oracle Database Vault Environment"](#) on page 10-5 for more information.

2. Disable Oracle Database Vault.

See ["Step 1: Disable Oracle Database Vault"](#) on page B-2.

3. At the operating system command prompt, create a directory for the Oracle Database Vault audit trail (for example, in `$ORACLE_BASE/admin/$DB_UNIQUE_NAME/dvaudit`).

You may want to keep this directory in the same location as the operating system audit trail directories for Oracle Database, which by default is in the `$ORACLE_BASE/admin/$DB_UNIQUE_NAME/adump` directory. In SQL\*Plus, you can check the location of the audit trail directory as follows:

```
SHOW PARAMETER AUDIT_FILE_DEST
```

Output similar to the following appears:

NAME	TYPE	VALUE
audit_file_dest	string	/opt/oracle/app/oracle/admin/orcl/adump

- In SQL\*Plus, create a directory object in which to generate the Oracle Database Vault audit trail. To do so, connect as SYS or as any user who has the CREATE ANY DIRECTORY privilege.

For example:

```
CREATE DIRECTORY dv_audit_dir AS '/opt/oracle/app/oracle/admin/orcl/dvaudit';
```

Enclose the directory path in single quotation marks, not double quotation marks.

- In SQL\*Plus, grant read and write privileges on the directory object to user DVSYS.

For example:

```
GRANT READ, WRITE ON DIRECTORY dvaudit TO dvsys;
```

- At the operating system command prompt, enter a command similar to the following to export the DVSYS.AUDIT\_TRAIL\$ audit table into a new dump file.

```
EXPDP DVSYS
Enter password: password
DIRECTORY=dvaudit \
TABLES=DVSYS.AUDIT_TRAIL$ \
QUERY=DVSYS.AUDIT_TRAIL$: "WHERE timestamp < 2009-08-03:19:34:59"
DUMPFIL= dv_audit_031607.dmp
```

In this specification:

- DIRECTORY: Enter the directory object that you created in Step 5. Ensure that that the user who is running EXPDP (DVSYS in this example) has read and write permissions on this directory object. If you created the directory object, then you automatically have read and write permissions on it.
  - TABLES: Enter DVSYS.AUDIT\_TRAIL\$, the name of the audit trail table.
  - QUERY: Optional. This setting writes a subset of the audit table contents to the dump file, in this case, audit records that are less than the timestamp column value of 2009-08-03:19:34:59.
  - DUMPFIL: Enter the name of the dump file that you want to create. The default extension is .dmp, but you can use any extension. Ensure that the file name you specify is unique.
- In SQL\*Plus, purge the Oracle Database Vault audit trail table, now that you have archived it.

For example, if you archived all audit trail records that are less than the timestamp column value of 2009-08-03:19:34:59, enter the following statement:

```
DELETE FROM DVSYS.AUDIT_TRAIL$ WHERE TIMESTAMP < 2009-08-03:19:34:59;
```

To completely purge the audit trail and remove the extents allocated to the audit trail table, enter the following statement:

```
TRUNCATE TABLE DVSYS.AUDIT_TRAIL$;
```

- Exit SQL\*Plus.

## 9. Re-enable Oracle Database Vault.

See "Step 3: Enable Oracle Database Vault" on page B-3.

## Oracle Database Audit Settings Created for Oracle Database Vault

When you install Oracle Database Vault, it creates several `AUDIT` settings in the database. However, in order for these audit settings to take place, auditing must be enabled in this database. You can check if auditing is enabled by using the `SHOW PARAMETER` command to find the value of the `AUDIT_TRAIL` initialization parameter. By default, auditing is disabled in Oracle Database.

If the `AUDIT_TRAIL` parameter is set to `NONE`, then auditing is not enabled, so you must set `AUDIT_TRAIL`. For detailed information about the `AUDIT_TRAIL` parameter settings, see *Oracle Database Security Guide* and *Oracle Database Reference*.

Table A-2 lists the `AUDIT` settings that Oracle Database Vault adds to the database.

**Table A-2 Audit Policy Settings Oracle Database Vault Adds to Oracle Database**

Audit Setting Type	Audited Statements (BY ACCESS and on Success or Failure Unless Otherwise Noted)
System Audit Settings/System Privilege Usage	ALTER ANY CREATE ANY DELETE ANY DROP ANY EXECUTE ANY (WHENEVER NOT SUCCESSFUL) FORCE ANY GRANT ANY INSERT ANY UPDATE ANY
System Audit Settings/Object Management	ALTER DATABASE, PROFILE, ROLLBACK SEGMENT, SESSION, SYSTEM, TABLE, TABLESPACE, USER  CREATE CLUSTER, DATABASE LINK, INDEXTYPE, LIBRARY, OPERATOR, PUBLIC SYNONYM, PROCEDURE, PROFILE, ROLE, ROLLBACK SEGMENT, SEQUENCE, SESSION, SNAPSHOT, SYNONYM, TABLE, TABLESPACE, TRIGGER, TYPE, USER, VIEW  TRUNCATE
System Audit Settings/Intrusive Commands	ALTER SESSION BECOME USER CREATE SESSION DEBUG CONNECT SESSION RESTRICTED SESSION
System Audit Settings/Administration Commands	ADMINISTER DATABASE TRIGGER BACKUP ANY TABLE EXEMPT ACCESS POLICY MANAGE TABLESPACE
System Audit Settings/Audit Commands	AUDIT ANY AUDIT SYSTEM

**Table A-2 (Cont.) Audit Policy Settings Oracle Database Vault Adds to Oracle Database**

<b>Audit Setting Type</b>	<b>Audited Statements (BY ACCESS and on Success or Failure Unless Otherwise Noted)</b>
System Audit Settings/ Access Control	GRANT ANY PRIVILEGE/ANY OBJECT PRIVILEGE/ROLE GRANT DIRECTORY GRANT SEQUENCE GRANT TABLE GRANT TYPE

**Table A–2 (Cont.) Audit Policy Settings Oracle Database Vault Adds to Oracle Database**

Audit Setting Type	Audited Statements (BY ACCESS and on Success or Failure Unless Otherwise Noted)
User Audit Settings for DVSYS/DVF	ADMINISTER DATABASE TRIGGER
User Audit Settings for LBACSYS	ALTER <i>object</i>
See <a href="#">Table 11–2, "Database Accounts Used by Oracle Database Vault"</a> on page 11-13 for more information about these accounts.	AUDIT SYSTEM
See also these sections for detailed information on the DVSYS and DVF schemas:	BECOME USER
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="159 575 521 604">■ <a href="#">"DVSYS Schema"</a> on page 11-1</li> <li data-bbox="159 613 521 642">■ <a href="#">"DVF Schema"</a> on page 11-2</li> </ul>	CLUSTER
	COMMENT
	CONTEXT
	CREATE <i>object</i>
	DATABASE LINK
	DEBUG
	DIRECTORY
	DROP <i>object</i>
	EXECUTE LIBRARY (WHENEVER NOT SUCCESSFUL)
	EXECUTE PROCEDURE (WHENEVER NOT SUCCESSFUL)
	EXEMPT ACCESS POLICY
	EXPORT FULL DATABASE
	GRANT <i>object</i>
	IMPORT FULL DATABASE
	INDEX
	MANAGE SCHEDULER
	MANAGE TABLESPACE
	MATERIALIZED VIEW (audits both accessing and creating materialized views)
	SELECT SEQUENCE (WHENEVER NOT SUCCESSFUL)
	SELECT TABLE (WHENEVER NOT SUCCESSFUL)
Object Audit Settings for DVF	AUDIT PACKAGE/PROCEDURE/FUNCTION/SEQUENCE/TABLE
	COMMENT TABLE/VIEW
	DELETE TABLE/VIEW
	EXECUTE PACKAGE/PROCEDURE/FUNCTION (WHENEVER NOT SUCCESSFUL)
	GRANT PACKAGE/PROCEDURE/FUNCTION/SEQUENCE/TABLE
	RENAME PACKAGE/PROCEDURE/FUNCTION/SEQUENCE/VIEW/TABLE
	SELECT SEQUENCE/TABLE/VIEW (WHENEVER NOT SUCCESSFUL)
Object Audit Settings for DVSYS	AUDIT PACKAGE/PROCEDURE/FUNCTION/SEQUENCE/TABLE
Object Audit Settings for LBACSYS	COMMENT TABLE/VIEW
	DELETE TABLE/VIEW
	EXECUTE PACKAGE/PROCEDURE/FUNCTION (WHENEVER NOT SUCCESSFUL)
	GRANT PACKAGE/PROCEDURE/FUNCTION/SEQUENCE/TABLE
	INSERT TABLE/VIEW
	RENAME PACKAGE/PROCEDURE/FUNCTION/SEQUENCE/VIEW/TABLE
	SELECT SEQUENCE/TABLE/VIEW (WHENEVER NOT SUCCESSFUL)
	UPDATE TABLE/VIEW

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## Disabling and Enabling Oracle Database Vault

This appendix contains:

- [When You Must Disable Oracle Database Vault](#)
- [Checking if Oracle Database Vault Is Enabled or Disabled](#)
- [Step 1: Disable Oracle Database Vault](#)
- [Step 2: Perform the Required Tasks](#)
- [Step 3: Enable Oracle Database Vault](#)

### When You Must Disable Oracle Database Vault

You may need to disable Oracle Database Vault to perform upgrade tasks or correct erroneous configurations. You can reenable Oracle Database Vault after you complete the corrective tasks.

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**Note:** Be aware that if you disable Oracle Database Vault, the privileges that were revoked from existing users and roles during installation remain in effect. See "[Privileges That Are Revoked or Prevented from Existing Users and Roles](#)" on page 2-3 for a listing of the revoked privileges.

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The following situations require you to disable Oracle Database Vault:

- The Oracle Database Vault user accounts have been inadvertently locked or their passwords forgotten. (See the tip under "[Oracle Database Vault Accounts](#)" on page 11-13 for a guideline for avoiding this problem in the future.)
- A rule set associated with the CONNECT role has been configured incorrectly. This is resulting in failed database logins for all accounts, including those with the DV\_OWNER or DV\_ADMIN role, who could correct this problem.
- You must perform maintenance tasks on Oracle Database Vault.
- You must install any of the Oracle Database optional products or features, such as Oracle Spatial, or Oracle Multimedia, by using Database Configuration Assistant (DBCA).
- You are about to install a third-party product, install an Oracle product, or perform an Oracle patch update whose installation may be prevented if Oracle Database Vault is running.

- You must archive the Oracle Database Vault audit trail.

## Checking if Oracle Database Vault Is Enabled or Disabled

You can check if Oracle Database Vault is enabled or disabled by querying the V\$OPTION data dictionary view. Any user can query this view. If Oracle Database Vault is enabled, the query returns TRUE. Otherwise, it returns FALSE.

Remember that the PARAMETER column value is case sensitive. For example:

```
SELECT * FROM V$OPTION WHERE PARAMETER = 'Oracle Database Vault';
```

If Oracle Database Vault is enabled, the following output appears:

PARAMETER	VALUE
Oracle Database Vault	TRUE

## Step 1: Disable Oracle Database Vault

To disable Oracle Database Vault:

1. Stop the database, Database Control console process, and listener.
  - **UNIX:** Ensure that the environment variables, ORACLE\_HOME, ORACLE\_SID, and PATH are correctly set. Log in to SQL\*Plus as user SYS with the SYSOPER privilege and shut down the database. Then from the command line, stop the Database Control console process and listener.

For example:

```
sqlplus sys as sysoper
Enter password: password

SQL> SHUTDOWN IMMEDIATE
SQL> EXIT

$ emctl stop dbconsole
$ lsnrctl stop [listener_name]
```

For Oracle RAC installations, shut down each database instance as follows:

```
$ srvctl stop database -d db_name
```

- **Windows:** Stop the database, Database Control console process, and listener from the Services tool in the Control Panel. The names of Oracle Database services begin with Oracle.
2. Disable Oracle Database Vault as follows:
    - **UNIX:** Run the following commands:
 

```
$ cd $ORACLE_HOME/rdbms/lib
$ make -f ins_rdbms.mk dv_off ioracle
```
    - **Windows:** In the ORACLE\_HOME\bin directory, rename the oradvll.dll file to another name, such as oradvll.dll.dbl.
  3. Restart the database, Database Control console process, and listener.
    - **UNIX:** Log in to SQL\*Plus as user SYS with the SYSOPER privilege and restart the database. Then from the command line, restart the Database Control process and listener.



For example:

```
sqlplus sys as sysoper
Enter password: password

SQL> STARTUP
SQL> EXIT

$ emctl start dbconsole
$ lsnrctl start [listener_name]
```

For Oracle RAC installations, restart each database instance as follows:

```
$ srvctl start database -d db_name
```

- **Windows:** Restart the database, Database Control console process, and listener from the Services tool in the Control Panel. The names of Oracle Database services begin with Oracle.
4. For Oracle RAC installations, repeat these steps for each node on which the database is installed.

## Step 2: Perform the Required Tasks

At this stage, Oracle Database Vault is disabled. You can perform the following types of activities:

- **Use the Oracle Database Vault PL/SQL packages and functions.** For example, to correct a login or CONNECT rule set error, use the DBMS\_MACADM PL/SQL package or the Oracle Database Vault Administrator interface.
- **Use the SYSTEM or SYS accounts to perform tasks such as creating or changing passwords, or locking and unlocking accounts.** In addition to modifying regular database and administrative user accounts, you can modify passwords and the lock status of any of the Oracle Database Vault-specific accounts, such as users who have been granted the DV\_ADMIN or DV\_ACCTMGR roles. (See the tip under ["Oracle Database Vault Accounts"](#) on page 11-13 for a guideline for avoiding this problem in the future.)
- **Perform the installation, upgrade, or other tasks that require security protections to be disabled.** If you must run Oracle Database Vault Configuration Assistant (DVCA), ensure that the Oracle Database listener is running.

## Step 3: Enable Oracle Database Vault

To enable Oracle Database Vault:

1. Stop the database, Database Control console process, and listener.
  - **UNIX:** Ensure that the environment variables, ORACLE\_HOME, ORACLE\_SID, and PATH are correctly set. Log in to SQL\*Plus as user SYS with the SYSOPER privilege and shut down the database. Then from the command line, stop the Database Control console process and listener.

For example:

```
sqlplus sys as sysoper
Enter password: password

SQL> SHUTDOWN IMMEDIATE
SQL> EXIT
```

```
$ emctl stop dbconsole
$ lsnrctl stop [listener_name]
```

For Oracle RAC installations, shut down each database instance as follows:

```
$ srvctl stop database -d db_name
```

- **Windows:** Stop the database, Database Control console process, and listener from the Services tool in the Control Panel. The names of Oracle Database services begin with Oracle.
2. Enable Oracle Database Vault as follows:

```
$ cd $ORACLE_HOME/rdbms/lib
$ make -f ins_rdbms.mk dv_on lbac_on ioracle
```

- **Windows:** In the `ORACLE_HOME\bin` directory, rename the backed up copy of the `oradv11.dll` file (for example, `oradv11.dll.dbl`) to `oradv11.dll`. Ensure that the name of the Oracle Label Security executable is `oralbac11.dll` (and not `oralbac11.dll.dbl` or some other backup name). You must enable Oracle Label Security before you can use Database Vault.
3. Restart the database, Database Control console process, and listener.
- **UNIX:** Log in to SQL\*Plus as user `SYS` with the `SYSOPER` privilege and restart the database. Then from the command line, restart the Database Control console process and listener.

For example:

```
sqlplus sys as sysoper
Enter password: password
```

```
SQL> STARTUP
SQL> EXIT
```

```
$ emctl start dbconsole
$ lsnrctl start [listener_name]
```

For Oracle RAC installations, restart each database instance as follows:

```
$ srvctl start database -d db_name
```

- **Windows:** Restart the database, Database Control console process, and listener from the Services tool in the Control Panel. The names of Oracle Database services begin with Oracle.
4. For Oracle RAC installations, repeat these steps for each node on which the database is installed.

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# Postinstallation Oracle Database Vault Procedures

This appendix contains:

- [Registering \(Enabling\) Oracle Database Vault](#)
- [Checking the Locale and NLS Settings](#)
- [Manually Deploying Oracle Database Vault Administrator](#)
- [Setting the Time-Out Value for Oracle Database Vault Administrator](#)
- [Enabling Oracle Database Vault Administrator Accessibility](#)
- [Configuring Oracle Database Vault on Oracle RAC Nodes](#)
- [Adding Languages to Oracle Database Vault](#)
- [Deinstalling Oracle Database Vault](#)
- [Reinstalling Oracle Database Vault](#)

## Registering (Enabling) Oracle Database Vault

After you install Oracle Database, you must register (that is, enable) Oracle Database Vault. Oracle Database includes Database Vault by default, but you must register it before you can use it. As part of the registration process, you create the Database Vault administrative accounts. The registration process also creates the Database Vault `DVSY` and `DVF` schemas. This procedure applies to both single-instance and Oracle RAC installations. To check if Database Vault has already been enabled, see "[Checking if Oracle Database Vault Is Enabled or Disabled](#)" on page B-2.

1. Stop the database, Database Control console process, and listener.
  - **UNIX:** Log in to SQL\*Plus as user `SYS` with the `SYSOPER` privilege and shut down the database. Then from the command line, stop the Database Console process and listener.

For example:

```
sqlplus sys as sysoper
Enter password: password
```

```
SQL> SHUTDOWN IMMEDIATE
SQL> EXIT
```

```
$ emctl stop dbconsole
$ lsnrctl stop [listener_name]
```

For Oracle RAC installations, shut down each database instance as follows:

```
$ srvctl stop database -d db_name
```

- **Windows:** Stop the database, Database Control console process, and listener from the Services tool in the Control Panel. The names of Oracle Database services begin with Oracle.
2. Enable Oracle Database Vault as follows:
    - **UNIX:** Run the following commands. The make command enables both Oracle Database Vault (dv\_on) and Oracle Label Security (lbac\_on). You must enable Oracle Label Security before you can use Database Vault.
 

```
$ cd $ORACLE_HOME/rdbms/lib
$ make -f ins_rdbms.mk dv_on lbac_on ioracle
```
    - **Windows:** In the `ORACLE_BASE\ORACLE_HOME\bin` directory, rename the `oradv11.dll.dbl` file to `oradv11.dll`. Ensure that the name of the Oracle Label Security executable is `oralbac11.dll` (and not `oralbac11.dll.dbl` or some other backup name). You must enable Oracle Label Security before you can use Database Vault.
  3. Restart the database and listener. (Do not restart the Database Control console process yet.)
    - **UNIX:** Log in to SQL\*Plus as user SYS with the SYSOPER privilege and restart the database. Then from the command line, restart the listener.

For example:

```
sqlplus sys as sysoper
Enter password: password
```

```
SQL> STARTUP
SQL> EXIT
```

```
$ lsnrctl start [listener_name]
```

For Oracle RAC installations, restart each database instance as follows:

```
$ srvctl start database -d db_name
```

- **Windows:** Restart the database and listener from the Services tool in the Control Panel. The names of Oracle Database services begin with Oracle.
4. Start Database Configuration Assistant.
    - **UNIX:** Enter the following command at a terminal window:
 

```
dbca
```

By default, dbca is in the `$ORACLE_HOME/bin` directory.
    - **Windows:** From the **Start** menu, click **All Programs**. Then, click **Oracle - ORACLE\_HOME, Configuration and Migration Tools**, and then **Database Configuration Assistant**.
 

Alternatively, you can start Database Configuration Assistant at a command prompt:

```
dbca
```

As with UNIX, typically, `dbca` is in the `ORACLE_BASE\ORACLE_HOME\bin` directory.

5. In the Welcome page, click **Next**.

The Operations page appears.

6. Select **Configure Database Options**, and then click **Next**.

The Database page appears.

7. From the list, select the database where you installed Oracle Database and then click **Next**.

The Database Content page appears.

8. Perform one of the following actions:

- **If Oracle Label Security is already enabled:** Select the **Oracle Database Vault** option, and then click **Next**.
- **If Oracle Label Security is not enabled:** Select the **Oracle Label Security** option so that the **Oracle Database Vault** option becomes available for selection. Select the **Oracle Database Vault** option as well, and then click **Next**.

The Oracle Database Vault Credentials page appears.

9. Specify the name and password for the Database Vault Owner account (for example, `DBVOWNER`) and the Database Vault Account Manager (for example, `DBVACCTMGR`).

Enter any password that is secure, according to the password guidelines described in *Oracle Database Security Guide*. Oracle Database Vault has additional password requirements, which are displayed if you try to create an incorrect password.

10. Click **Next**.

The Connection Mode page appears.

11. Select either **Dedicated Server Mode** or **Shared Server Mode** (depending on the selection you made when you created this database), click **Finish**, and then click **OK** in the confirmation prompts.

Database Configuration Assistant registers Oracle Database Vault, and then restarts the database instance.

12. Exit Database Configuration Assistant.

13. Restart the Database Control console process.

- **UNIX:** Run the following command:

```
$ emctl start dbconsole
```

- **Windows:** Restart the Database Control console process (for example, `OracleDBConsoleorcl` if the name of the database is `orcl`) from the Services tool in the Control Panel.

After you have registered Oracle Database Vault with an Oracle database, you can start Oracle Database Vault Administrator. See "[Starting Oracle Database Vault](#)" on page 3-1 for more information.

## Checking the Locale and NLS Settings

Ensure that the value of the `NLS_LANGUAGE` initialization parameter matches the locale and NLS settings (either the `NLS_LANG` or `LANG` environment variables) used by the

operating system of the computer on which Oracle Database is installed. If these values are inconsistent, then Database Vault Administrator does not display the default realms, command rules, rule sets, or factors.

For example, if the operating system locale (the variable `$LANG`) setting is `en_US.UTF-8`, then you must set the corresponding `NLS_LANG` environment variable to `AMERICAN_AMERICA.AL32UTF8` and the database `NLS_LANGUAGE` initialization parameter value to be `AMERICAN`. The database `NLS_LANGUAGE` parameter is derived from the operating system `NLS_LANG` environment variable.

For more information about checking and configuring locale and NLS settings, see the appendix that covers globalization support in the *Oracle Database Installation Guide* for your platform.

## Manually Deploying Oracle Database Vault Administrator

If you have created an Oracle database manually, and have configured Oracle Enterprise Manager Database Control by using Enterprise Manager Configuration Assistant, you must manually deploy Oracle Database Vault Administrator. This procedure deploys Database Vault Administrator in the same OC4J container as the current Enterprise Manager, rather than creating a new application.

This section contains:

- [Deploying Database Vault Administrator to a Standalone OC4J Container](#)
- [Deploying Database Vault Administrator to the Database Console OC4J Container](#)

### Deploying Database Vault Administrator to a Standalone OC4J Container

You can manually deploy Database Vault Administrator to the Oracle Application Server Containers for J2EE (OC4J) home, which by default is in the `$ORACLE_HOME/oc4j/j2ee/home` directory.

To manually deploy Database Vault Administrator:

1. Edit the file `$ORACLE_HOME/oc4j/j2ee/home/config/server.xml`. Enter the following line just before the last line that reads, `</application-server>`:

```
<application name="dva" path="Oracle_home_dir/dv/jlib/dva_webapp.ear"
auto-start="true" />
```

Replace `Oracle_home_dir` with the relative or direct path to the Oracle home directory. (You cannot enter the `$ORACLE_HOME` environment variable.)

For example:

```
<application name="dva" path="/u00/app/oracle/oracle/product/dv12/dv/jlib/dva_
webapp.ear" auto-start="true" />
```

2. Edit the file `$ORACLE_HOME/oc4j/j2ee/home/config/http-web-site.xml`. Enter the following line just above the last line that reads, `</web-site>`:

```
<web-app application="dva" name="dva_webapp" root="/dva" />
```

3. Edit the file `$ORACLE_HOME/oc4j/j2ee/home/config/global-web-application.xml`. Search for `<servlet-class>oracle.jsp.runtimev2.JspServlet</servlet-class>`. Uncomment the following lines after this:

```
<init-param>
  <param-name>main_mode</param-name>
```

```
<param-value>justrun</param-value>
</init-param>
```

**4. Create the following directory:**

```
mkdir -p $ORACLE_HOME/dv/jlib/sysman/config
```

**5. Create the database connection configuration file, emoms.properties, in the configuration directory that you just created. Add the following lines to the file:**

```
oracle.sysman.emSDK.svlt.ConsoleMode=standalone
oracle.sysman.eml.mntr.emdRepRAC=FALSE
oracle.sysman.eml.mntr.emdRepDBName=oracle_sid
oracle.system.eml.mntr.emdRepConnectDescriptor=TNS_connection_string
```

Follow these instructions:

- For an Oracle RAC environment, set `oracle.sysman.eml.mntr.emdRepRAC` to `TRUE`.
- For `oracle.sysman.eml.mntr.emdRepConnectDescriptor`, you can use an alias from `$ORACLE_HOME/network/admin/tnsnames.ora`. Alternatively, you can use the following syntax:

```
oracle.sysman.eml.mntr.emdRepConnectDescriptor=
(DESCRIPTION=
  (ADDRESS_LIST= (ADDRESS= (PROTOCOL=TCP) (HOST=HOSTNAME) (PORT=PORT) ) )
  (CONNECT_DATA=
    (SERVICE_NAME=ORACLE_SID) )
```

**6. Ensure that the correct environment variables are set.**

For example:

```
ORACLE_SID=orcl
export ORACLE_SID
ORACLE_HOME=/u00/app/oracle/product/11.1/dv
export ORACLE_HOME
LD_LIBRARY_PATH=$ORACLE_HOME/bin:$ORACLE_HOME/lib:$ORACLE_HOME/jdbc/lib
export LD_LIBRARY_PATH
PATH=$ORACLE_HOME/bin:$ORACLE_HOME/jdk/bin:$PATH
export PATH
```

Set the `LD_LIBRARY_PATH` variable to use the OCI-based JDBC libraries.

**7. Start OC4J using the following syntax:**

```
$ORACLE_HOME/jdk/bin/java -Djava.awt.headless=true -DEMROOT=$ORACLE_
HOME/dv/jlib -jar $ORACLE_HOME/oc4j/j2ee/home/oc4j.jar -userThreads -config
$ORACLE_HOME/oc4j/j2ee/home/config/server.xml
```

After you complete these steps, you can start Database Vault Administrator. The HTTP port defaults to 8888 for this environment. Use the following syntax for the URL:

```
http://hostname:8888/dva
```

## Deploying Database Vault Administrator to the Database Console OC4J Container

To manually deploy Database Vault Administrator to the Database Console OC4J container:

1. Stop Oracle Database Console.

- **UNIX:** Go to the `$ORACLE_HOME/bin` directory and run the following command:  

```
./emctl stop dbconsole
```
  - **Windows:** In the Administrative Services, select the Services utility, and then right-click the **OracleDBConsolesid** service. Select **Stop** from the menu.
2. Create a backup copy and then open the `$ORACLE_HOME/oc4j/j2ee/OC4J_DBConsole_service_name/config/server.xml` file.
  3. Add the following line before the `</application-server>` element:

```
<application name="dva" path="$ORACLE_HOME/dv/jlib/dva_webapp.ear" parent="default" start="true" />
```

On Windows systems, replace `$ORACLE_HOME` with the absolute path to your Oracle Database home.

4. Create a backup copy and then open the `$ORACLE_HOME/oc4j/j2ee/OC4J_DBConsole_service_name/config/http-web-site.xml` file.
5. Add the following line before the `</web-site>` element:  

```
<web-app application="dva" name="dva_webapp" load-on-startup="true" root="/dva" shared="true"/>
```
6. Restart Oracle Database Console.

- **UNIX:** Go to the `$ORACLE_HOME/bin` directory and run the following command:

```
./emctl start dbconsole
```

- **Windows:** In the Administrative Services, select the Services utility, and then right-click the **OracleDBConsolesid** service. Select **Start** from the menu.

After you complete these steps, you can start Oracle Database Vault Administrator by using the following URL:

```
https://hostname:port/dva
```

For example:

```
https://myserver:1158/dva
```

If you are unsure of the port number, open the `ORACLE_HOME/host_sid/sysman/config/emd.properties` file and search for `REPOSITORY_URL`. In most cases, the host name and port number are the same as Oracle Enterprise Manager Database Control.

## Setting the Time-Out Value for Oracle Database Vault Administrator

By default, an Oracle Database Vault session lasts 35 minutes. If you want the session to last for a different time, follow the steps in this section.

To set the session time for Oracle Database Vault Administrator:

1. Back up the `web.xml` file, which by default is in the `$ORACLE_HOME/dv/jlib/dva_webapp/dva_webapp/WEB-INF` directory.
2. In a text editor, open the `web.xml` file.
3. Search for the following setting:



```
<session-config>
  <session-timeout>35</session-timeout>
</session-config>
```

4. Change the `<session-timeout>` setting to the amount of time in minutes that you prefer.
5. Save and close the `web.xml` file.
6. Stop and restart the Database Vault Administrator.

- **UNIX:** Go to the `$ORACLE_HOME/bin` directory and run the following command:

```
./emctl stop dbconsole
./emctl start dbconsole
```

- **Windows:** In the Administrative Services, select the Services utility, and then right-click the **OracleDBConsolesid** service. Select **Stop** from the menu. After the console stops, select **Start**.

## Enabling Oracle Database Vault Administrator Accessibility

You can configure Database Vault Administrator to make data accessible and usable to the disabled community. The following sections explain how to enable Database Vault Administrator for full accessibility.

- [Enabling Oracle Database Vault Administrator Accessibility Mode](#)
- [Providing Textual Descriptions of Database Vault Administrator Charts](#)

### Enabling Oracle Database Vault Administrator Accessibility Mode

Oracle Database Vault Administrator takes advantage of user interface development technologies that improve the responsiveness of some user operations. For example, when you navigate to a new record set in a table, Oracle Database Vault Administrator does not redisplay the entire HTML page. However, this performance-improving technology is generally not supported by screen readers. To disable this feature, and as a result, make the Database Vault Administrator HTML pages more accessible for disabled users, use the following procedure.

To enable the display of an entire HTML page:

1. Locate the `uix-config.xml` configuration file.

By default, the `uix-config.xml` file is in the following directory:

```
$ORACLE_HOME/oc4j/j2ee/oc4j_applications/applications/em/em/WEB-INF
```

2. Open the `uix-config.xml` file using a text editor and locate the following entry:

```
<!-- An alternate configuration that disables accessibility features -->
<default-configuration>
  <accessibility-mode>inaccessible</accessibility-mode>
  ...
</default-configuration>
```

3. Change the value of the `accessibility-mode` property from `inaccessible` to `accessible`.
4. Save and close the `uix-config.xml` file.
5. Restart Database Vault Administrator.

See ["Starting Oracle Database Vault"](#) on page 3-1.

## Providing Textual Descriptions of Database Vault Administrator Charts

The Monitor page of Database Vault Administrator displays security policy data in a chart. However, charts do not convey information in a manner that can be read by a screen reader. To remedy this problem, you can configure Database Vault Administrator to provide a complete textual representation of each chart. By default, support for the textual representation of charts is disabled. When textual description for charts is enabled, Database Vault Administrator displays a textual representation of the chart data.

To enable the textual representation of charts:

1. Locate the `web.xml` configuration file.

To locate the `web.xml` file in a Oracle Database 10g installation, change directory to the following location in the Oracle home:

```
$ORACLE_HOME/dv/jlib/dva_webapp/dva_webapp/WEB-INF/
```

2. Open the `web.xml` file with your favorite text editor and locate the following six lines of the file:

```
<!-- Uncomment this to enable textual chart descriptions
<context-param>
<param-name>enableChartDescription</param-name>
<param-value>true</param-value>
</context-param>
-->
```

3. Remove comments from this section by deleting the first line and the last line of this section so that the section consists of only these four lines:

```
<context-param>
<param-name>enableChartDescription</param-name>
<param-value>true</param-value>
</context-param>
```

4. Save and exit the `web.xml` file.
5. Restart Database Vault Administrator.

See ["Starting Oracle Database Vault"](#) on page 3-1.

## Configuring Oracle Database Vault on Oracle RAC Nodes

After you install Oracle Database Vault for an Oracle Real Application Clusters (Oracle RAC) instance, complete the following procedure for each Oracle RAC node. This procedure assumes that you have a separate Oracle home for each node.

1. Log in to SQL\*Plus as user SYS with the SYSDBA privilege.

```
sqlplus sys as sysdba
Enter password: password
```

2. Run the following ALTER SYSTEM statements:

```
ALTER SYSTEM SET AUDIT_SYS_OPERATIONS=TRUE SCOPE=SPFILE;
ALTER SYSTEM SET OS_ROLES=FALSE SCOPE=SPFILE;
ALTER SYSTEM SET RECYCLEBIN='OFF' SCOPE=SPFILE;
ALTER SYSTEM SET REMOTE_LOGIN_PASSWORDFILE='EXCLUSIVE' SCOPE=SPFILE;
```

```
ALTER SYSTEM SET SQL92_SECURITY=TRUE SCOPE=SPFILE;
```

### 3. Restart Oracle Database.

```
CONNECT SYS/AS SYSOPER
Enter password: password
```

```
SHUTDOWN IMMEDIATE
STARTUP
```

## Adding Languages to Oracle Database Vault

By default, Oracle Database Vault loads only the English language tables. You can use DVCA to add more languages to Oracle Database Vault by specifying the `addlanguages` flag to the `dvca -action` option.

This section includes the following topics:

- [Syntax for Using DVCA -action addlanguages](#)
- [Procedure for Adding Languages to Oracle Database Vault](#)

### Syntax for Using DVCA -action addlanguages

The syntax for using `dvca -action addlanguages` is as follows:

```
dvca -action addlanguages
  -oh Oracle_home
  -instance Oracle_SID_name
  -dbname database_name
  -dbuniquename database_unique_name
  -sys_passwd SYS_password
  -dvsys_passwd DVSYS_password
  -jdbc_str jdbc_connection_string
  -languages language_list
  [-owner_account DV_owner_account_name]
  [-owner_passwd DV_owner_account_password]
  [-acctmgr_account DV_account_manager_account_name]
  [-acctmgr_passwd DV_account_manager_password]
  [-silent]
  [-logfile ./dvca.log]
  [-nodecrypt]
  [-lockout]
  [-racnode node]
```

In this specification:

- `-action` is the action to perform. In this case the action is `addlanguages`.
- `-oh` is the Oracle home for the Oracle RAC instance. Provide the `ORACLE_HOME` path.
- `-instance` is the name of the database instance. You can confirm this name by querying the `INSTANCE_NAME` column of the `V$INSTANCE` view. It is specified in the entry for the database instance in the `listener.ora` file that is on the server.
- `-dbname` is the database identifier. You can confirm this name by querying the `NAME` column of the `V$DATABASE` data dictionary view.
- `-dbuniquename` is the globally unique name for the database.
- `-sys_passwd` is the password for the `SYS` user. If you enter a cleartext password on the command line, then you must include the `nodecrypt` option. If you omit the

password, then DVCA prompts you for it. For better security, Oracle strongly recommends that you omit the password and then enter it interactively when you are prompted.

- `-dvsys_passwd` is the password for the `DVSYSD` user. If you enter a cleartext password on the command line, then you must include the `nodecrypt` option. If you omit the password, then DVCA prompts you for it. Preferably, omit the password and then enter the password interactively when prompted.
- `-jdbc_str` is the JDBC connection string used to connect to the database. Enter the net service name (that is, the SID) as it is listed in the `tnsnames.ora` file, which is located in the `$ORACLE_HOME/network/admin` directory. For example:

```
-jdbc_str jdbc:oracle:oci:@sales_orders
```

- `-languages` is the list of languages to be loaded. Provide the list of languages as a string in the following format:

```
- UNIX: { "language_1, language_2, language_n" }
```

```
- Windows: { "language_1", "language_2", "language_n" }
```

Oracle Database Vault supports the following languages:

en: English	ja: Japanese
de: German	ko: Korean
es: Spanish	pt_BR: Brazilian Portuguese
fr: French	zh_CN: Simplified Chinese
it: Italian	zh_TW: Traditional Chinese

For example, to load German and Spanish, you would enter the following:

```
- UNIX: -languages {"de,es"}
```

```
- Windows: -languages {"de", "es"}
```

- `-owner_account` is the Oracle Database Vault Owner (`DV_OWNER`) account name.
- `-owner_passwd` is the Oracle Database Vault Owner account password. If you enter a cleartext password on the command line, then you must include the `nodecrypt` option. If you omit the password, then DVCA prompts you for it. Preferably, omit the password and then enter it interactively when prompted.
- `-acctmgr_account` is the Oracle Database Vault Account Manager (`DV_ACCTMGR`) user name.
- `-acctmgr_passwd` is the Oracle Database Vault Account Manager (`DV_ACCTMGR`) password. If you enter a cleartext password on the command line, then you must include the `nodecrypt` option. If you omit the password, then DVCA prompts you for it. Preferably, omit the password and then enter it interactively when prompted.
- `-silent` is the option to run in command line mode. This option is required if you are not running DVCA in an xterm window.
- `-logfile` is an optional flag to specify a log file name and location. You can enter an absolute path, or enter a path that is relative to the location of the `$ORACLE_HOME/bin` directory.
- `-nodecrypt` is the option to read plaintext passwords.

- `-lockout` is the flag used to disable `SYSDBA` operating system authentication. (This option is deprecated.)
- `-racnode` is the host name of the Oracle RAC node on which the action is being performed. Do not include the domain name with the host name.

After you enter the `dvca -action addlanguages` command and if you omit the passwords, you will be prompted for the passwords of the `SYS`, `DVSYS`, `DV_OWNER`, and `DV_ACCTMGR` users. For better security, enter the passwords interactively.

## Procedure for Adding Languages to Oracle Database Vault

To add languages to Oracle Database Vault:

1. Log in to SQL\*Plus as a user who has been granted the `DV_OWNER` role.
2. Temporarily grant the `DV_PATCH_ADMIN` role to the user responsible for adding languages (for example, user `SYS`).

```
GRANT DV_PATCH_ADMIN TO SYS;
```

3. Notify this user to use `DVCA` to add the languages that are needed.

For example:

```
dvca -action addlanguages
      -oh c:\oracle\product\11.2.0\db_1
      -instance sales_orders
      -dbname sales_db
      -dbunique_name sales_db14
      -jdbc_str jdbc:oracle:oci:@sales_orders
      -owner_account lbrown_dvowner
      -acctmgr_account amalcolm_dvacctmgr
      -languages {"es","ja"}
      -silent
      -logfile dvcalog.txt
```

```
Enter SYS password: sys_password
```

```
Enter DVSYS password: dvsys_password
```

```
Enter owner password: owner_password
```

```
Enter DV account manager password: dv_acct_password
```

4. Revoke the `DV_PATCH_ADMIN` role from user to whom you granted it in Step 2.

```
REVOKE DV_PATCH_ADMIN FROM SYS;
```

## Deinstalling Oracle Database Vault

The following procedure removes Oracle Database Vault from an Oracle Database installation. It applies to both single-instance and Oracle RAC installations. The deinstallation process does not affect the initialization parameter settings, even those settings that were modified during the installation process.

To deinstall Oracle Database Vault:

1. Stop the database, Database Control console process, and listener.

For example:

```
sqlplus sys as sysoper
Enter password: password
Connected.
```

```
SQL> SHUTDOWN IMMEDIATE
SQL> EXIT
```

```
$ emctl stop dbconsole
$ lsnrctl stop [listener_name]
```

For Oracle RAC installations, shut down each database instance as follows:

```
$ srvctl stop database -d db_name
```

On Windows, you can stop the database, Database Control console process, and listener from the Services tool in the Control Panel. The names of Oracle Database services begin with Oracle.

2. Run the following commands to turn off Oracle Database Vault and Oracle Label Security:

```
$ cd $ORACLE_HOME/rdbms/lib
$ make -f ins_rdbms.mk dv_off lbac_off ioracle
```

3. Log in to SQL\*Plus and then restart the database, Database Control console process, and listener.

For example:

```
SQL> STARTUP
SQL> EXIT
```

```
$ emctl stop dbconsole
$ lsnrctl start [listener_name]
```

For each instance in an Oracle RAC installation:

```
$ srvctl start database -d db_name
```

On Windows, you can restart the database, Database Control console process, and listener from the Services tool in the Control Panel. The names of Oracle Database services begin with Oracle.

4. In SQL\*Plus, log in as user SYS with the SYSDBA privilege.
5. Disable the recycle bin.

To check if the recycle bin is enabled, enter the following command:

```
SQL> SHOW PARAMETER RECYCLEBIN
```

If the recycle bin is enabled, then disable it as follows:

```
SQL> ALTER SYSTEM SET RECYCLEBIN = OFF SCOPE=SPFILE;
SQL> SHUTDOWN IMMEDIATE
SQL> STARTUP
```

Disabling the recycle bin does not purge or otherwise affect objects that are already in the recycle bin. For better security, keep the recycle bin disabled. See ["Security Considerations for the Recycle Bin"](#) on page D-9.

6. Run the following SQL script:

```
SQL> @$ORACLE_HOME/rdbms/admin/dvremov.sql
```

7. Manually drop the DV\_OWNER and DV\_ACCTMGR user accounts and the DV\_REALM\_RESOURCE and DV\_REALM\_OWNER roles.

```
SQL> DROP DBV_OWNER CASCADE;
```

```
SQL> DROP DBV_ACCTMGR CASCADE;  
SQL> DROP DV_REALM_RESOURCE;  
SQL> DROP DV_REALM_OWNER;
```

#### 8. Enable Oracle Label Security.

```
$ cd $ORACLE_HOME/rdbms/lib  
$ make -f ins_rdbms.mk lbac_on ioracle
```

Afterward, you can double-check that Oracle Database Vault is truly deinstalled by logging in to SQL\*Plus and entering the following statement:

```
SQL> SELECT * FROM V$OPTION WHERE PARAMETER = 'Oracle Database Vault';
```

If Oracle Database Vault is deinstalled, the following output appears:

PARAMETER	VALUE
Oracle Database Vault	FALSE

## Reinstalling Oracle Database Vault

To reinstall Oracle Database Vault, follow the procedure under "[Registering \(Enabling\) Oracle Database Vault](#)" on page C-1.





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# Oracle Database Vault Security Guidelines

This appendix contains:

- [Separation of Duty Guidelines](#)
- [Managing Oracle Database Administrative Accounts](#)
- [Accounts and Roles Trusted by Oracle Database Vault](#)
- [Accounts and Roles That Should be Limited to Trusted Individuals](#)
- [Guidelines for Using Oracle Database Vault in a Production Environment](#)
- [Secure Configuration Guidelines](#)

## Separation of Duty Guidelines

This section contains:

- [How Oracle Database Vault Handles Separation of Duty](#)
- [Defining Separate Tasks in an Oracle Database Vault Environment](#)
- [Creating a Separation of Duty Matrix](#)
- [Identifying and Documenting the Tasks of Users Who Access the Database System](#)

## How Oracle Database Vault Handles Separation of Duty

Separation of duty means that you restrict each user's privileges *only* to the tasks he or she is responsible for, and *no more*. You should assign specific categories of privileges to specific users, rather than granting many privileges to one user. Simply put, separation of duty creates accountability for each task that your organization requires.

Separation of duty has taken on increased importance over the past 10 years. For many organizations, separation of duty is a new concept that continues to evolve. Database consolidation, regulatory compliance, and outsourcing are just a few of the drivers for increased separation of duty. Oracle Database Vault separation of duty strengthens security by separating security-related administration from day-to-day DBA operations. You can tailor your Database Vault separation of duty implementation to easily adapt to current and future business requirements. Small organizations, in particular, need flexibility as they attempt to increase their security profile with limited resources.

## Defining Separate Tasks in an Oracle Database Vault Environment

Oracle Database Vault defines the following main responsibilities:

- **Account management.** Account management entails creating, modifying, and dropping user accounts. The `DV_ACCTMGR` role provides these privileges.
- **Security administration.** Security administration covers basic security tasks such as creating realms and command rules, setting security policies for database users' access, and authorizing database users for jobs they are allowed to perform. Security administrators also run security audit reports. The `DV_OWNER` and `DV_ADMIN` roles provide these privileges. (For an in-depth look at how the Oracle Database Vault roles provide for separation of duty, see "[Oracle Database Vault Roles](#)" on page 11-2.)

Optionally, you can consolidate the account management and security administrative responsibilities.

- **Resource management.** Resource management refers to managing the database system but not accessing business data. It includes the following operations:
  - Backup operations require a predefined time to perform the backup using predefined tools.
  - Tuning and monitoring operations require ongoing performance monitoring and analysis.
  - Patching operations require temporary access only during the time the patching takes place

For resource management, you should create a named account and a backup account for each of these tasks. Add these accounts as owners of the Data Dictionary realm. Use these accounts as the primary resource managers in the database.

You should have separate accounts for database account management, database security administration, and additional named accounts for backup operations. Auditors check for separate database accounts for different responsibilities and being able to track the actions of each account. Less important is the number of users assigned to specific tasks. Remember that Oracle Database Vault audit events are protected and that the Database Vault reports show all attempted violations.

## Creating a Separation of Duty Matrix

Before separation of duty can be successful, you must understand who performs basic administration tasks in your environment and what these administration tasks are. Even if a single database administrator is responsible for managing both new database account provisioning and application patching, it is important to document and plan for each of these tasks. Using separate administration accounts for these types of tasks provides increased accountability and reduces associated risks. In midsize to large organizations, database administrators typically must perform common administration tasks but they do not need access to business data managed by the application. Creating a matrix for your separation of duty can help you plan your Database Vault deployment. As needed, you can include additional tasks and associated users to this list. This information should become part of the overall enterprise security documentation for your organization.

Table D–1 shows an example of a separation of duty matrix.

**Table D–1 Example Separation of Duty Matrix**

User, Process or Application	Account Creation	Database Administration					Security Administrator
		SYSDBA	Backup	Tuning	Patching	Monitoring	
JSMITH	X						
SHARDY							X
PKESTNER			X				
RTYLER					X		
SANDERSON				X		X	
SYSTEM					EBS patching		
RMAN		X	X				
...							

In some cases, system management tasks may require temporary access to data through specific tools and programs. When this happens, build provisions for this temporary or emergency access into the Oracle Database Vault rules and rule sets.

## Identifying and Documenting the Tasks of Users Who Access the Database System

You should document the following areas of the tasks your organization needs:

- The responsibilities of each administrative user
- The kind of access users need. For example, application owners should have data access and developers need access to development instances only.
- Who must manage the system without accessing business data (for example, users who perform backup, patching, tuning, and monitoring operations)
- The duties of each category of tasks (for example, the files that must be backed up, the applications that require patching, what exactly is monitored). Include the alternate user accounts for each of these tasks.
- The databases and applications that must be protected. This includes Oracle applications, partner applications, and custom applications.
- Who must be authorized to access business data, including the following:
  - Application owners through middle tier processes
  - Business users through an application interface
- Emergency "what if" scenarios, such as how to handle a security breach
- Reporting in a production environment, which should include the following:
  - Who runs the reports
  - Which reports must be run
  - The frequency with which each report is run
  - The users who must receive a copy of each report
- In addition to a separation of duty matrix, the creation of the following matrices:
  - An Oracle Database Vault-specific matrix, which can cover the names and tasks of users who have been granted Database Vault roles

- An application protection matrix, which can cover the applications to be protected and the types of protections you have put in place.

Table D-2 shows an example of protections Oracle created for PeopleSoft Applications. You can download the scripts to create these security policies from the following URL:

<http://www.oracle.com/technetwork/database/options/database-vault/index-085211.html>

**Table D-2 Example Application Protection Maxtrix**

Protection Type	Authorized with Rule Set			
	SYSADM	PSFTDBA	SYSTEM	DBA
PeopleSoft Realm	Owner	Owner	No Access	No Access
SELECT Command Rule	Not Restricted	Limit PSFTDB Rule Set	No Access	No Access
CONNECT Command Rule	PeopleSoftAccess Rule Set	Not Restricted	Not Restricted	Not Restricted
DROP TABLESPACE Command Rule	Disabled Rule Set	Disabled Rule Set	Disabled Rule Set	Disabled Rule Set

## Managing Oracle Database Administrative Accounts

This section contains:

- [Using the SYSTEM User Account for General Administrative Uses](#)
- [Using the SYSTEM Schema for Application Tables](#)
- [Limiting the SYSDBA Privilege](#)
- [Managing Root and Operating System Access](#)

### Using the SYSTEM User Account for General Administrative Uses

If you use the SYSTEM account for general database administrative purposes, create named database administrative accounts for your database administrators. Doing so increases accountability for administrative actions in the database.

### Using the SYSTEM Schema for Application Tables

If your site holds application tables in the SYSTEM schema, then you should add the SYSTEM account to your realm authorizations for these tables so that these applications can continue to work normally. You can place restrictions on the SYSTEM account to increase or fine-tune security for these applications. For example, you can create a Database Vault rule set to restrict the SYSTEM user's access to specific IP addresses.

### Limiting the SYSDBA Privilege

Limit the SYSDBA privilege only to users who must connect using this privilege when absolutely necessary and for applications that still require SYSDBA access, such as Oracle Recovery Manager (RMAN) and mandatory patching processes. For all other cases, create named database accounts to perform daily database administration.

## Managing Root and Operating System Access

Oracle Database Vault prevents highly privileged database users from accessing sensitive data. In addition, if you are using Oracle Database itself, you can use transparent data encryption to prevent the most highly privileged operating system users from accessing sensitive data. Transparent data encryption enables you to hide individual table columns. (See *Oracle Database Advanced Security Administrator's Guide* for more information about transparent data encryption.) As a best practice, always carefully review and restrict direct access to the operating system.

You should have personalized accounts access the operating system. These personalized accounts should, in the Linux or UNIX environments, login using `sudo` to the `oracle` software owner when needed. With `sudo`, you can control which specific command each personalized user can execute. Be sure to prevent the use of the `make`, `relink`, `gdb`, or other commands that could potentially harm the database, for these users. However, if an administrative user must install a patch or perform some other emergency operation, you can enable the `make` and `relink` commands for a limited time, and audit their actions during this period.

## Accounts and Roles Trusted by Oracle Database Vault

Oracle Database Vault restricts access to application data from many privileged users and roles in the database. However, in some cases, Oracle Database Vaults trusts certain roles and privileges.

[Table D-3](#) lists the trusted roles and privileges that are created when you install Oracle Database Vault.

**Table D-3 Trusted Oracle Database Vault Roles and Privileges**

Role or Privilege	Status	Description
DV_ACCTMGR role	Open	Role created during installation and used for creating new database accounts
DV_OWNER role	Open	Role created during installation and used for managing realms, factors and command rules. This user cannot add himself or herself to realm authorizations, nor can users who have the DV_ACCTMGR role alter this user.
SYSDBA privilege	Enabled	Privilege created during Oracle Database installation. Required by some Oracle features. See " <a href="#">Managing SYSDBA Access</a> " on page D-6 for guidelines on managing SYSDBA.
SYSOPER privilege	Enabled	Privilege created during Oracle Database installation. Database startup and shutdown. Granted to SYS only by default. See " <a href="#">Managing SYSOPER Access</a> " on page D-6 for guidelines on managing SYSOPER.

## Accounts and Roles That Should be Limited to Trusted Individuals

Several accounts and roles have very powerful privileges in a default Oracle Database installation. You should limit these accounts and roles only to trusted individuals.

- [Managing Users with Root Access to the Operating System](#)
- [Managing the Oracle Software Owner](#)
- [Managing SYSDBA Access](#)
- [Managing SYSOPER Access](#)

## Managing Users with Root Access to the Operating System

Users who have root user access have full control over the system, including the following activities:

- Reading unencrypted files
- Moving and deleting any files
- Starting or stopping any program on the system
- Logging in as any user, including the user who owns the Oracle Database installation

Oracle Database Vault does not provide protection against the operating system root access. Ensure that you grant root user privileges only to the appropriate people with the appropriate responsibility.

## Managing the Oracle Software Owner

Users who have access to a system as the Oracle software owner have control over the Oracle software, including the following activities:

- Disabling Oracle Database Vault in the given system
- Reading unencrypted database files
- Moving and deleting database files
- Starting or stopping Oracle programs in the system

Oracle Database Vault does not provide protection against the operating system access of the Oracle software owner. Ensure that you grant Oracle software owner access only to the appropriate people with the appropriate responsibility.

## Managing SYSDBA Access

The `SYSDBA` privilege is a trusted privilege in Oracle Database Vault. Grant this privilege to trusted users only.

## Managing SYSOPER Access

By default, Oracle Database limits `SYSOPER` access to operating system users in the `SYSOPER` group and the user `SYS`. It prevents `SYSOPER` from modifying the Oracle data dictionary directly. The `SYSOPER` privilege has limited privileges within the database, but individuals with this role can start and shut down the Oracle database. Only grant the `SYSOPER` privilege to trusted individuals.

## Guidelines for Using Oracle Database Vault in a Production Environment

Follow these guidelines when running Oracle Database Vault in a production environment:

- Run a full test of your applications to ensure that the Database Vault policies you have created are working as expected
- Monitor the performance of your applications, and if necessary, tune your rule expressions
- Assign responsibilities to the appropriate production support and security groups, as follows:
  - Assign security responsibilities to the database security administrator.

- Assign account management to the database account manager.
- Assign resource management tasks to database administrators.
- Back up your Database Vault API scripts to a secure server.

## Secure Configuration Guidelines

Follow these configuration and security guidelines:

- [Security Considerations for the UTL\\_FILE and DBMS\\_FILE\\_TRANSFER Packages](#)
- [Security Considerations for the Recycle Bin](#)
- [Security Considerations for the CREATE ANY JOB Privilege](#)
- [Security Considerations for the CREATE EXTERNAL JOB Privilege](#)
- [Security Considerations for the LogMiner Packages](#)
- [Security Considerations for the ALTER SYSTEM and ALTER SESSION Privileges](#)

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### Note:

- Installing patches and new applications might re-grant some of the privileges that Oracle recommends that you revoke in this section. Check these privileges after you install patches and new applications to verify that they are still revoked.
- When you revoke EXECUTE privileges on packages, ensure that you grant EXECUTE on the packages to the owner, check the package dependencies, and recompile any invalid packages after the revoke.

To find users who have access to the package, log in to SQL\*Plus as SYSTEM and issue the following query.

```
SELECT * FROM DBA_TAB_PRIVS WHERE TABLE_NAME package_name;
```

*package\_name* is the name of the package you are looking for.

To find the users, packages, procedures, and functions that are dependent on the package, issue this query:

```
SELECT OWNER, NAME, TYPE FROM ALL_DEPENDENCIES
WHERE REFERENCED_NAME = package_name;
```

Note that these two queries do not identify references to packages made through dynamic SQL.

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### See Also:

- ["Privileges That Are Revoked or Prevented from Existing Users and Roles"](#) on page 2-3
- [Table 11-1, "Privileges of Oracle Database Vault Roles"](#) on page 11-4

## Security Considerations for the UTL\_FILE and DBMS\_FILE\_TRANSFER Packages

The UTL\_FILE package is owned by SYS and granted to PUBLIC. However, a user must have access to the directory object to manipulate the files in that operating system

directory. You can configure the UTL\_FILE package securely; see *Oracle Database PL/SQL Packages and Types Reference* for more information.

The DBMS\_FILE\_TRANSFER package is owned by SYS and granted to the EXECUTE\_CATALOG\_ROLE. Users with EXECUTE access on this package can move files from one location to another on the same file system. They also can move files between database instances, including databases on remote systems.

To secure the DBMS\_FILE\_TRANSFER package, do the following:

- Revoke the EXECUTE privilege from the DBMS\_FILE\_TRANSFER package and grant the EXECUTE privilege only to trusted users who need it.
- Create command rules to control the CREATE DATABASE LINK and CREATE DIRECTORY SQL statements. See ["Creating and Editing a Command Rule"](#) on page 6-4 for information on creating command rules by using Oracle Database Vault Administrator.

Alternatively, [Example D-1](#) and [Example D-2](#) show how you can use the Oracle Database Vault DVSYS.DBMS\_MACADM package to create command rules that limit and enable access to the CREATE DATABASE LINK statement, which is used to establish connections to remote databases. To use this method, log in to SQL\*Plus using the Oracle Database Vault Owner account.

**Example D-1 Creating a Command Rule to Deny Access to CREATE DATABASE LINK**

```
BEGIN
  DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_COMMAND_RULE (
    command      => 'CREATE DATABASE LINK',
    rule_set_name => 'Disabled',
    object_owner  => '%',
    object_name   => '%',
    enabled       => DBMS_MACUTL.G_YES);
  END;
  /
COMMIT;
```

When a valid user must use the CREATE DATABASE LINK statement, the Oracle Database Vault owner can reenable it from Oracle Database Vault Administrator or issue the following commands in SQL\*Plus.

**Example D-2 Creating a Command Rule to Enable Access to CREATE DATABASE LINK**

```
BEGIN
  DBMS_MACADM.UPDATE_COMMAND_RULE (
    command      => 'CREATE DATABASE LINK',
    rule_set_name => 'Enabled',
    object_owner  => '%',
    object_name   => '%',
    enabled       => DBMS_MACUTL.G_YES);
  END;
  /
COMMIT;
```

Similarly, [Example D-3](#) shows command rules that disable and enable access to CREATE DIRECTORY.

**Example D-3 Command Rules to Disable and Enable Access to CREATE DIRECTORY**

```
-- Disable access to CREATE DIRECTORY
BEGIN
```



```

DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_COMMAND_RULE (
  command      => 'CREATE DIRECTORY',
  rule_set_name => 'Disabled',
  object_owner => '%',
  object_name  => '%',
  enabled      => dbms_macutl.g_yes);
END;
/
COMMIT;

-- Enable access to CREATE DIRECTORY
BEGIN
  dbms_macadm.update_command_rule (
    command      => 'CREATE DIRECTORY',
    rule_set_name => 'Enabled',
    object_owner => '%',
    object_name  => '%',
    enabled      => dbms_macutl.g_yes);
END;
/
COMMIT;

```

## Security Considerations for the Recycle Bin

In Oracle Database Vault, the `ALTER SYSTEM` command rule prevents the recycle bin feature from being enabled, but if the recycle bin is already enabled, it cannot prevent you from disabling it. When the recycle bin feature is enabled, realm-protected objects that are dropped go into the recycle bin. Once there, the objects are no longer protected by the realm. The exception is objects in the `DVSYS` schema: To keep `DVSYS` as a protected schema, you cannot drop its objects, even if the recycle bin is disabled. For better security for other realms, you should disable the recycle bin.

In SQL\*Plus, you can check the contents of the recycle bin as follows:

```

SELECT * FROM RECYCLEBIN;
SELECT * FROM USER_RECYCLEBIN;

```

To purge the contents of the recycle bin, use the `PURGE SQL` statement:

```

PURGE RECYCLEBIN;
PURGE USER_RECYCLEBIN;

```

To disable the recycle bin:

1. Log in to SQL\*Plus as `SYS` using the `SYSDBA` privilege.

```

sqlplus sys as sysdba
Enter password: password

```

2. Ensure that the recycle bin is disabled.

```

SHOW PARAMETER RECYCLEBIN

```

3. If the recycle bin is on, then disable it.

```

ALTER SYSTEM SET RECYCLEBIN=OFF SCOPE=SPFILE;

```

4. Restart Oracle Database.

```

SHUTDOWN IMMEDIATE
STARTUP

```

## Security Considerations for the CREATE ANY JOB Privilege

The `CREATE ANY JOB` privilege has been revoked from the `DBA` and the `SCHEDULER_ADMIN` roles. Ensure that this change does not affect your applications.

See "[Scheduling Database Jobs in an Oracle Database Vault Environment](#)" on page 10-8 for more information.

## Security Considerations for the CREATE EXTERNAL JOB Privilege

The `CREATE EXTERNAL JOB` privilege was introduced in Oracle Database 10g Release 2 (10.2). It is required for database users who want to execute jobs that run on the operating system outside the database. By default, this privilege is granted to all users who have been granted the `CREATE JOB` privilege. For greater security, revoke this privilege from users who do not need it and then grant it only to those users who do need it.

## Security Considerations for the LogMiner Packages

In this release of Oracle Database Vault, the role `EXECUTE_CATALOG_ROLE` no longer has the `EXECUTE` privilege granted by default on the following LogMiner packages:

- `DBMS_LOGMNR`
- `DBMS_LOGMNR_D`
- `DBMS_LOGMNR_LOGREP_DICT`
- `DBMS_LOGMNR_SESSION`

Ensure that this change does not affect your applications.

## Security Considerations for the ALTER SYSTEM and ALTER SESSION Privileges

Be aware that trace and debug commands have the potential to show Oracle database memory information. Oracle Database Vault does not protect against these commands. To help secure the Oracle database memory information, Oracle recommends that you strictly control access to the `ALTER SYSTEM` and `ALTER SESSION` privileges. These privileges can be granted by the user `SYS` when connected as `SYSDBA` and by any user granted the `DBA` role.

Oracle also recommends that you add rules to the existing command rule for `ALTER SYSTEM` statement. You can use Oracle Database Vault Administrator to create a rule and add it to a rule set. You should grant the `ALTER SESSION` privilege only to trusted users. (For example, the `ALTER SESSION` statement can enable tracing.)

[Example D-4](#) shows how you can create this type of rule. This rule prevent users with `ALTER SYSTEM` privilege from issuing the command `ALTER SYSTEM DUMP`. Log in to `SQL*Plus` as the Oracle Database Vault Owner when you create this command rule.

### **Example D-4 Adding Rules to the Existing ALTER SYSTEM Command Rule**

```
CONNECT amalcolm_dvacctmgr
Enter password: password

BEGIN
  DBMS_MACADM.CREATE_RULE('NO_SYSTEM_DUMP',
    '(INSTR(UPPER(DVSYS.DV_SQL_TEXT), 'DUMP') = 0)');
  END;
/
EXEC DBMS_MACADM.ADD_RULE_TO_RULE_SET
```

```
('Allow Fine Grained Control of System Parameters', 'NO_SYSTEM_DUMP');
```

```
COMMIT;
```

Alternatively, you can use Oracle Database Vault Administrator to create and add this rule to the rule set. See ["Creating a Rule to Add to a Rule Set"](#) on page 5-6 for more information.



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# Troubleshooting Oracle Database Vault

This appendix contains:

- [Using Trace Files to Diagnose Events in the Database](#)
- [General Diagnostic Tips](#)
- [Configuration Problems with Oracle Database Vault Components](#)

## Using Trace Files to Diagnose Events in the Database

You can monitor your Oracle Database Vault database instance for server and background process events by checking the database instance trace files. Trace files reveal events such as the logic that the Oracle Database Vault security enforcement engine executes, and internal errors, block corruption errors, deadlock errors, administrative actions that may have occurred, values of parameters that had nondefault settings when the database instance started, and other information.

Be careful about enabling trace files, however. Doing so can increase the overhead of the database instance operation, which could decrease performance. Contact Oracle Support before you decide to enable tracing.

The `USER_DUMP_DEST` initialization parameter specifies the current location of the trace files. You can find the value of this parameter by issuing `SHOW PARAMETER USER_DUMP_DEST` in SQL\*Plus.

To enable tracing, log in to SQL\*Plus as a user who has the `ALTER SESSION` privilege and then issue the following statement:

```
ALTER SESSION SET EVENTS '47998 trace name context forever, level 12'
```

For example, suppose you have an account that is trying to use a statement that is protected by a command rule, but the statement is not working as expected. You can diagnose the enforcement logic for this account by granting it the `ALTER SESSION` privilege, issuing the `ALTER SESSION` statement, and then retrying the statement. Afterward, check the trace files to determine what is going on.

You can disable tracing by issuing the following statement:

```
ALTER SESSION SET EVENTS '47998 trace name context off'
```

For more information about how to manage trace files, see *Oracle Database Administrator's Guide*.

## General Diagnostic Tips

Follow these general tips for diagnosing problems in realms, factors, and rule sets:

- For realm protections, verify that a user has the underlying system or object privileges (granted directly or through a role) that might affect the command.
- If a realm authorization is not working, verify that the account roles are set correctly.
- For PL/SQL expressions used in factors and rule sets, grant the EXECUTE privilege on the PL/SQL package functions used in these expressions directly to the account and determine if the results appear to be correct.
- Use the auditing reports to diagnose problems in general. See "[Oracle Database Vault Auditing Reports](#)" on page 17-4 for more information.

## Configuration Problems with Oracle Database Vault Components

If you suspect problems with the configuration of realms, command rules, factors, rule sets, or secure application roles, you can run the appropriate configuration report. See the following sections for more information:

- "[Command Rule Configuration Issues Report](#)" on page 17-3
- "[Factor Configuration Issues Report](#)" on page 17-3
- "[Factor Without Identities Report](#)" on page 17-3
- "[Identity Configuration Issues Report](#)" on page 17-3
- "[Realm Authorization Configuration Issues Report](#)" on page 17-3
- "[Rule Set Configuration Issues Report](#)" on page 17-4
- "[Secure Application Configuration Issues Report](#)" on page 17-4

To run these reports, see "[How to Run Oracle Database Vault Reports](#)" on page 17-2.

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