

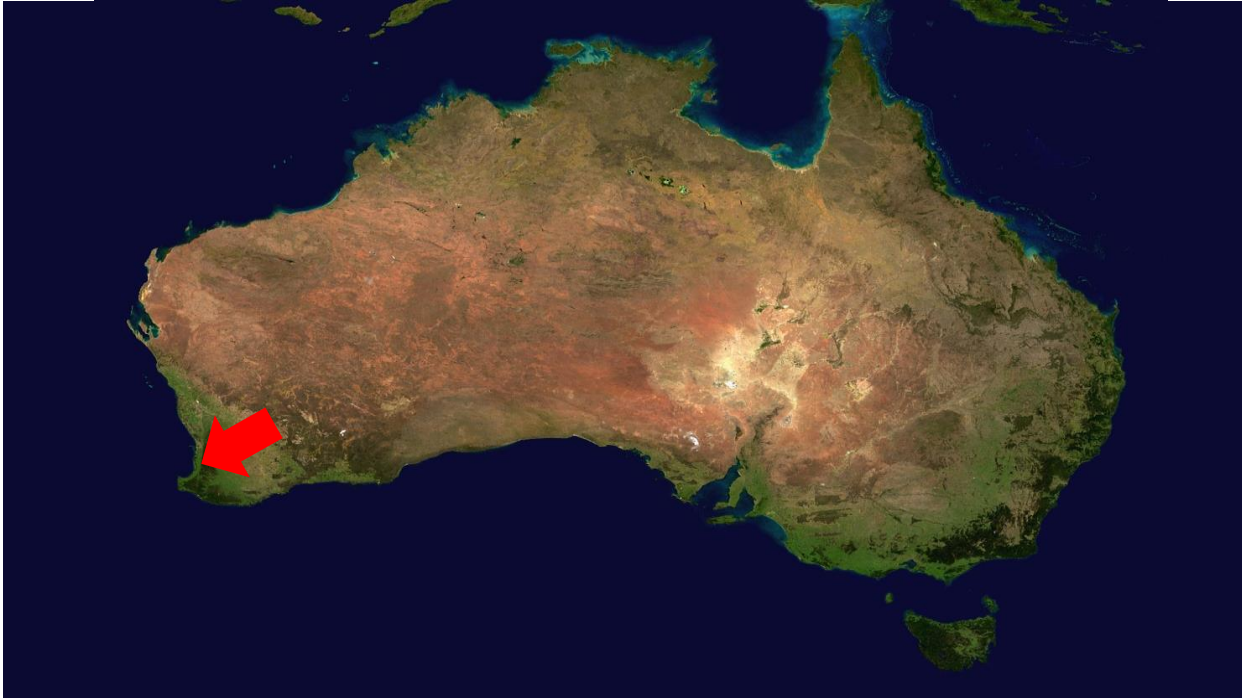
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rogue session

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```
SQL> select sid, last_call_et, status,  
3 from v$session s;
```

SID	LAST_CALL_ET	STATUS
39	7376	ACTIVE
40	412	INACTIVE
44	421	INACTIVE

```
...
```

80	453	INACTIVE
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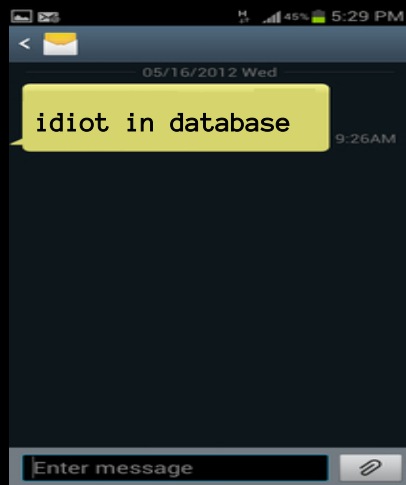
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```
SQL> alter system kill session ...
```

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```
# kill -9 pid
```

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```
SQL> oradebug setorapid nnn
SQL> oradebug suspend
```

SID	LAST_CALL_ET	STATUS
39	7376	ACTIVE
40	412	INACTIVE
41	412	INACTIVE
44	421	INACTIVE
46	12	ACTIVE
51	9	ACTIVE
53	15	ACTIVE
58	8	ACTIVE

```
SQL> oradebug resume
```

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maybe ...

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... you don't want to resume

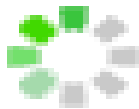
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rogue session ~~query~~

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```
SQL> alter system kill session ...
```

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```
SQL> alter system cancel sql '123,456';
```

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maybe...

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```
SQL> select sid,  
2         last_call_et,  
3         status,  
4 from v$session s;
```

```
      SID LAST_CALL_ET STATUS  
-----  
      39          7376 ACTIVE  
      40          412 INACTIVE  
      44          421 INACTIVE  
      ...  
      ...
```

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```
SQL> select sid,
2         last_call_et,
3         nvl2(lockwait, 'BLOCKED', status) status,
4         from v$session s;
```

SID	LAST_CALL_ET	STATUS
39	7376	BLOCKED
40	412	INACTIVE
44	421	INACTIVE
...		
...		

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```
SQL> select sid, last_call_et,
2         nvl2(lockwait, 'BLOCKED', status) status,
3         blocking_session,
4         ( select sql_text
5           from v$sql
6           where sql_id = s.sql_id ) sql_text
7         from v$session s;
```

SID	LAST_CALL_ET	STATUS	BLOCKING_SESSION	SQL_TEXT
46	7376	BLOCKED	39	select * from T for update
49	4	ACTIVE		
50	453	INACTIVE		
51	453	INACTIVE		

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select for update wait 60

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```
SQL> select * from T for update wait 60;
```

(60 seconds pass)

```
select * from T for update wait 60
```

```
*
```

```
ERROR at line 1:
```

```
ORA-30006: resource busy; acquire with WAIT timeout expired
```

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SID	LAST_CALL_ET	STATUS	BLOCKING_SESSION
39	376	INACTIVE	
40	412	ACTIVE	
41	412	ACTIVE	
44	421	ACTIVE	
46	340	BLOCKED	39
49	42	ACTIVE	
50	453	ACTIVE	
51	453	ACTIVE	
56	462	BLOCKED	39
58	436	BLOCKED	39
62	278	BLOCKED	46
63	254	BLOCKED	46
67	292	BLOCKED	46
71	301	BLOCKED	46
76	145	BLOCKED	62
78	132	BLOCKED	62

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```

SQL> create or replace trigger lock_expiry
2  after servererror on database
3  declare
4    l_user varchar2(30);
5  begin
6    if ( is_servererror(30006) ) then
        ...
        ... <look up session details>
        ...
28    raise_application_error(-20000,
29      'User '||l_user||' is causing you grief');
30  end if;
31 end;
32 /

```

Trigger created.

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```
SQL> select * from T for update wait 60;
```

```
ERROR at line 1:
```

```
ORA-00604: error occurred at recursive SQL level 1
```

```
ORA-20000: User CONNOR (ext.1234) is causing you grief
```

```
ORA-06512: at line 6
```

```
ORA-30006: resource busy; acquire with WAIT timeout expired
```

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```
/*+ GATHER_PLAN_STATISTICS */
```

for the optimizer

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```
SQL> explain plan for
  2  select count(*)
  3  from    VEHICLE
  4  where  MAKE = 'HYUNDAI' and MODEL = 'IONIC';

SQL> SELECT * FROM TABLE(DBMS_XPLAN.DISPLAY_PLAN);
```

```
-----
```

Id	Operation	Name	Rows	Bytes
1	SORT AGGREGATE		1	1
* 2	TABLE ACCESS FULL	VEHICLE	20K	270K

```
-----
```



actual versus estimate

```
SQL> select /*+ GATHER_PLAN_STATISTICS */ count(*)
2  from   VEHICLE
3  where  MAKE = 'HYUNDAI' and MODEL = 'IONIC';
```

```
COUNT(*)
```

```
-----
114468
```

```
SQL> SELECT * FROM TABLE(DBMS_XPLAN.DISPLAY_CURSOR(
2      NULL, NULL, 'ALLSTATS LAST'));
```

```
-----
| Id | Operation                | Name      | Starts | E-Rows | A-Rows |
-----
|  1 | SORT AGGREGATE           |           |       1 |       1 |       1 |
|*  2 | TABLE ACCESS FULL       | VEHICLE   |       1 |    20K |   114K |
-----
```

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tracing

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alter session set sql_trace = true

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```
C:\oracle\diag\rdbms\db122\db122\trace>dir *.trc
Volume in drive C is OS
Volume Serial Number is 9CB0-0212

Directory of C:\oracle\diag\rdbms\db122\db122\trace

27/09/2018  09:18 PM                1,314 db122_ora_10020.trc
20/10/2018  06:21 PM                2,691 db122_ora_10048.trc
30/09/2018  12:21 AM                1,345 db122_ora_10104.trc
29/09/2018  03:18 PM                1,314 db122_ora_10144.trc
21/10/2018  06:21 AM                1,346 db122_ora_10156.trc
11/10/2018  05:18 PM                1,312 db122_ora_1016.trc
02/10/2018  08:49 PM                1,346 db122_ora_10192.trc
29/09/2018  12:21 PM                1,345 db122_ora_10320.trc
12/10/2018  12:21 AM                1,501 db122_ora_10348.trc
15/10/2018  12:18 AM                1,314 db122_ora_10352.trc
13/10/2018  11:21 AM                1,499 db122_ora_1036.trc
28/09/2018  05:18 AM                1,315 db122_ora_10368.trc
18/10/2018  05:18 PM                1,824 db122_ora_10384.trc
05/10/2018  05:18 AM                1,178 db122_ora_10388.trc
28/09/2018  11:21 PM                1,346 db122_ora_10400.trc
14/10/2018  11:21 PM                1,501 db122_ora_10404.trc
30/09/2018  06:25 AM                1,346 db122_ora_10440.trc
.....
```

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too many trace files

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```
SQL> alter session
      2      set tracefile_identifier = SALESPGM;
```

Session altered.

```
SQL> host ls *.trc
```

```
db10r2_ora_3248.trc
db10r2_ora_3284.trc
db10r2_ora_3356.trc
db10r2_ora_3492.trc
db10r2_ora_3504_SALESPGM.trc
db10r2_ora_3608.trc
db10r2_ora_3620.trc
...
...
```

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```
SQL> select name, value from v$diag_info;
```

NAME	VALUE
Diag Enabled	TRUE
ADR Base	C:\ORACLE
ADR Home	C:\ORACLE\diag\rdbms\db122\db122
Diag Trace	C:\ORACLE\diag\rdbms\db122\db122\trace
Diag Alert	C:\ORACLE\diag\rdbms\db122\db122\alert
Diag Incident	C:\ORACLE\diag\rdbms\db122\db122\incident
Diag Cdump	c:\oracle\diag\rdbms\db122\db122\cdump
Health Monitor	C:\ORACLE\diag\rdbms\db122\db122\hm
Default Trace File	C:\ORACLE\...\trace\db122_ora_17296.trc

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too much trace data

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```
SQL> alter session
  2     set events
  3     'immediate trace name trace_buffer_on level 1048576';
```

Session altered.

```
SQL> host ls -l *.trc
```

```
drw----- oracle dba Jun17 15:10 1048576 db10r2_ora_3248.trc
```

rolling trace window



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```
SQL> select PAYLOAD
  2 from   V$DIAG_TRACE_FILE_CONTENTS
  3 where  TRACE_FILENAME = 'db122_ora_12484.trc';
```

PAYLOAD

```
-----
Trace file C:\ORACLE\diag\rdbms\db122\db122\trace\db122_ora_12484.trc
Oracle Database 12c Enterprise Edition Release 12.2.0.1.0 - 64bit Production
Build label:   RDBMS_12.2.0.1.0WINDBBP_WINDOWS.X64_180202
Windows NT Version V6.2
ORACLE_HOME = c:\oracle\product\12.2.0.1
Node name      : XPS13
CPU            : 4 - type 8664, 2 Physical Cores
Process Affinity : 0x0x0000000000000000
Memory (Avail/Total): Ph:9411M/16235M, Ph+PgF:4292M/20985M
Instance name: db122
Redo thread mounted by this instance: 1
...
...

```

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automatic indexing

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until then ...

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*"I need a new index
on this 6TB table..."*

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"will it speed up things?"

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"I think so"

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virtual indexes

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```
SQL> create index TEST on  
2 MYTAB ( SALES_DATE ) NOSEGMENT;
```

Index created.

data dictionary only



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```
SQL> begin  
2 dbms_stats.generate_stats(  
3 'SCOTT',  
4 'MYTAB');  
5 end;  
6 /
```

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```
SQL> alter session
2 set "_use_nosegment_indexes" = true;
```

```
SQL> explain plan for
2 select * from MYTAB
3 where sales_date > sysdate-7;
```

Id	Operation	Name	Rows	Bytes	Cost (%CPU)
0	SELECT STATEMENT		950	90109	962 (34)
1	TABLE ACCESS BY INDEX ROWID	MYTAB	950	90109	962 (34)
* 2	INDEX RANGE SCAN	TEST	950		962 (50)

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invisible indexes

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```
SQL> create table T  
2 as select * from all_objects;
```

Table created.

```
SQL> create index OBJ_IX on T ( OBJECT_ID );
```

Index created.

```
SQL> exec dbms_stats.gather_table_stats('','T')
```

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

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```
SQL> set autotrace traceonly explain
```

```
SQL> select * from T
2  where OWNER = 'SCOTT'
3  and   created > sysdate - 1
4  /
```

```
-----
```

Id	Operation	Name	Rows	Bytes	Cost (%CPU)
0	SELECT STATEMENT		6	546	281 (1)
* 1	TABLE ACCESS FULL	T	6	546	281 (1)

```
-----
```

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“Can I index OWNER..”

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“I know so”

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```
SQL> create index NEW_IX on T ( OWNER );
```

Index created.

```
SQL> select * from T
2  where OWNER = 'SCOTT'
3  and    created > sysdate - 1
4  /
```

Id	Operation	Name	Rows	Bytes	Cost (%CPU)
0	SELECT STATEMENT		6	546	122 (0)
* 1	TABLE ACCESS BY INDEX ROWID	T	6	546	122 (0)
* 2	INDEX RANGE SCAN	NEW_IX	4107		10 (0)

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before the new index

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```
SQL> set autotrace traceonly explain
```

```
SQL> select * from T
2  where OWNER = 'SYS'
3  and   OBJECT_ID between 10 and 8000
4  /
```

Id	Operation	Name	Rows	Bytes	Cost (%CPU)
0	SELECT STATEMENT		462	42042	143 (0)
* 1	TABLE ACCESS BY INDEX ROWID	T	462	42042	143 (0)
* 2	INDEX RANGE SCAN	OBJ_IX	7851		20 (0)

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```
SQL> set autotrace traceonly stat
```

```
SQL> select * from T
2  where owner = 'SYS'
3  and   object_id between 10 and 8000;
```

```
4967 rows selected.
```

Statistics

```
-----
0 recursive calls
0 db block gets
784 consistent gets
15 physical reads
0 redo size
```

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```
SQL> select * from T
  2  where owner = 'SYS'
  3  and   object_id between 10 and 8000
  4  /
```

Id	Operation	Name	Rows	Bytes	Cost (%CPU)
0	SELECT STATEMENT		462	42042	122 (0)
* 1	TABLE ACCESS BY INDEX ROWID	T	462	42042	122 (0)
* 2	INDEX RANGE SCAN	NEW_IX	4105		10 (0)

the new index

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```
SQL> set autotrace traceonly stat
SQL> select * from T
  2  where  owner = 'SYS'
  3  and    object_id between 10 and 8000;
```

4967 rows selected.

Statistics

```
-----
      0  recursive calls
      0  db block gets
  1522  consistent gets
      62  physical reads
      0  redo size
```

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the solution ?

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invisible indexes

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```
SQL> alter index NEW_IX invisible;
```

```
Index altered.
```

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```
SQL> select * from T
      2 where owner = 'SYS'
      3 and   object_id between 10 and 8000
      4 /
```

Id	Operation	Name	Rows	Bytes	Cost (%CPU)
0	SELECT STATEMENT		462	42042	143 (0)
* 1	TABLE ACCESS BY INDEX ROWID	T	462	42042	143 (0)
* 2	INDEX RANGE SCAN	OBJ_IX	7851		20 (0)

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“what about my code ???”

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```
SQL> set autotrace traceonly explain
```

```
SQL> select * from T
  2  where OWNER = 'SCOTT'
  3  and    created > sysdate - 1
  4  /
```

Id	Operation	Name	Rows	Bytes	Cost (%CPU)
0	SELECT STATEMENT		6	546	281 (1)
* 1	TABLE ACCESS FULL	T	6	546	281 (1)

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```
SQL> alter session set
  2  optimizer_use_invisible_indexes = true;
```

Session altered.

```
SQL> select * from T
  2  where OWNER = 'SCOTT'
  3  and    created > sysdate - 1
  4  /
```

Id	Operation	Name	Rows	Bytes	Cost (%CPU)
0	SELECT STATEMENT		462	42042	122 (0)
* 1	TABLE ACCESS BY INDEX ROWID	T	462	42042	122 (0)
* 2	INDEX RANGE SCAN	NEW_IX	4105		10 (0)

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statement level hint

USE_INVISIBLE_INDEXES

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```
SQL> ALTER DATABASE CONVERT TO SNAPSHOT STANDBY ;
```

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open standby read/write

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```
SQL> ALTER DATABASE CONVERT TO PHYSICAL STANDBY;
```

```
SQL> ALTER DATABASE RECOVER MANAGED STANDBY  
2 DATABASE DISCONNECT;
```

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flashback to resetlogs

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faster queries ...

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```
SQL> create table cust_trans
 2   ( txn_id      int,
 3     txn_date    date,
 4     cust_id     int,
 5     amt         number(10,2)
 6   );
```

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```
SQL> insert /*+ APPEND */ into cust_trans
 2   select rownum,
 3          sysdate-1000+rownum/1000  txn_date,
 4          trunc(dbms_random.value(1,1000)) cust_id,
 5          dbms_random.value(1,100) amount
 6   from
 7   ( select 1 from dual
 8     connect by level <= 10000000 );
```

10000000 rows created.

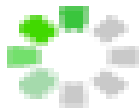
```
SQL> create index cust_trans_ix
 2   on cust_trans (cust_id );
```

Index created.

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```
SQL> select max(amt)
      2  from    cust_trans
      3  where  cust_id = 123;
```



```
SQL> select max(amt)
  2  from  cust_trans
  3  where cust_id = 123;
```

Id	Operation	Name	Rows	Bytes
0	SELECT STATEMENT		1	8
1	SORT AGGREGATE		1	8
2	TABLE ACCESS BY INDEX ROWID BATCHED	CUST_TRANS	10010	80080
* 3	INDEX RANGE SCAN	CUST_TRANS_IX	10010	

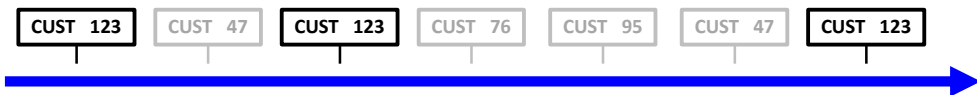
Statistics

```

0 recursive calls
0 db block gets
8867 consistent gets
8854 physical reads
0 redo size
543 bytes sent via SQL*Net to client
607 bytes received via SQL*Net from client
```

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12.1

```
SQL> alter table cust_trans  
2      add clustering by linear order(cust_id);
```

Table altered.

```
SQL> alter table cust_trans move online;
```

Table altered.

12.2

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```
SQL> select max(amt)  
2 from cust_trans  
3 where cust_id = 123;
```

Id	Operation	Name	Rows	Bytes
0	SELECT STATEMENT		1	8
1	SORT AGGREGATE		1	8
2	TABLE ACCESS BY INDEX ROWID BATCHED	CUST_TRANS	10010	80080
* 3	INDEX RANGE SCAN	CUST_TRANS_IX	10010	

Statistics

```
-----  
0 recursive calls  
0 db block gets  
62 consistent gets  
23 physical reads  
0 redo size  
543 bytes sent via SQL*Net to client  
607 bytes received via SQL*Net from client
```

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"but I'm not on 12.2"

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dbms_redefinition

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the marketing spin...

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```
SQL> desc EMP
```

Name	Null?	Type
EMPNO	NOT NULL	NUMBER (4)
ENAME		VARCHAR2 (10)
JOB		VARCHAR2 (9)
MGR		NUMBER (4)
HIREDATE		DATE
SAL		NUMBER (7,2)
COMM		NUMBER (7,2)
DEPTNO		NUMBER (2)

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```
SQL> desc EMP
```

Name	Null?	Type
EMPNO	NOT NULL	NUMBER(8)
SAL_PLUS_10PCT		NUMBER(7,2)

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online

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```

SQL> create table EMP_NEW_DEFN(
2   larger_empno      number(8),
3   salary_plus_10pct number(7,2));

SQL> begin
2   DBMS_REDEFINITION.START_REDEF_TABLE( -
3   UNAME              =>'SCOTT',
4   ORIG_TABLE        =>'EMP',
5   INT_TABLE         =>'EMP_NEW_DEFN',
6   COL_MAPPING=>
7   'empno larger_empno, sal*1.1 salary_plus_10pct'
7   end;

```

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```

SQL> exec DBMS_REDEFINITION.FINISH_REDEF_TABLE( -
        'SCOTT', 'EMP', 'EMP_NEW_DEFN');

```

```

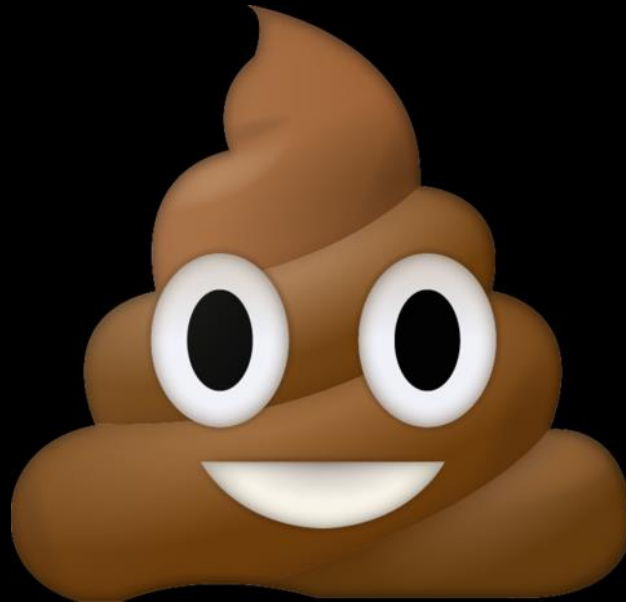
SQL> desc EMP

```

Name	Null?	Type
LARGER_EMPNO		NUMBER(8)
SALARY_PLUS_10PCT		NUMBER(7,2)

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```
SQL> begin
  2     DBMS_REDEFINITION.START_REDEF_TABLE( -
  3         UNAME          =>'SCOTT',
  4         ORIG_TABLE     =>'EMP',
  5         INT_TABLE      =>'EMP_SAME_DEFN',
  6         ORDERBY_COLS=>'ename');
  7 end;
```

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DBMS_XPLAN

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```
SQL> explain plan for ...
```

```
SQL> select * from  
2 table(dbms_xplan.display_plan)
```

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extensions

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... the (in)famous hint **ignore** issue

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```
SQL> select *
      2  from emp e,
      3      dept d
      4  where e.deptno = d.deptno
      5  and    d.dname = 'SALES' ;
```

Id	Operation	Name	Rows
0	SELECT STATEMENT		5
1	MERGE JOIN		5
* 2	TABLE ACCESS BY INDEX ROWID	DEPT	1
3	INDEX FULL SCAN	PK_DEPT	4
* 4	SORT JOIN		14
5	TABLE ACCESS FULL	EMP	14

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"I want a hash join"

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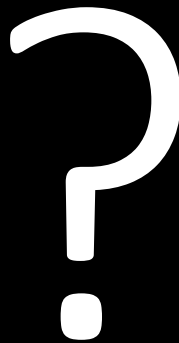
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```
SQL> select /*+ use_hash(d) */ *
2  from emp e,
3      dept d
4  where e.deptno = d.deptno
5  and    d.dname = 'SALES';
```

Id	Operation	Name	Rows
0	SELECT STATEMENT		5
1	MERGE JOIN		5
* 2	TABLE ACCESS BY INDEX ROWID	DEPT	1
3	INDEX FULL SCAN	PK_DEPT	4
* 4	SORT JOIN		14
5	TABLE ACCESS FULL	EMP	14

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if joining into DEPT...

```
/*+ use_hash(d) */
```

use a hash join

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we're not...

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Id	Operation	Name	Rows
0	SELECT STATEMENT		5
1	MERGE JOIN		5
* 2	TABLE ACCESS BY INDEX ROWID	DEPT	1
3	INDEX FULL SCAN	PK_DEPT	4
* 4	SORT JOIN		14
5	TABLE ACCESS FULL	EMP	14

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if we want to join into DEPT...

...we must be starting with EMP

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```
SQL> select /*+ leading(e) use_hash(d) */ *
2   from emp e,
3        dept d
4   where e.deptno = d.deptno
5   and    d.dname = 'SALES';
```

Id	Operation	Name	Rows	Bytes
0	SELECT STATEMENT		5	285
* 1	HASH JOIN		5	285
2	TABLE ACCESS FULL	EMP	14	518
* 3	TABLE ACCESS FULL	DEPT	1	20

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not **enough** hints

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*"hints are like violence...
if they do not work, use more"*

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back to dbms_xplan

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```
SQL> SELECT *
      2  from table(dbms_xplan.display(... ,
                                format=>'typical +OUTLINE))

/*+ BEGIN_OUTLINE_DATA
    USE_HASH(@"SEL$1" "B"@"SEL$1")
    USE_HASH(@"SEL$1" "D"@"SEL$1")
    LEADING(@"SEL$1" "E"@"SEL$1" "D"@"SEL$1" "B"@"SEL$1")
    FULL(@"SEL$1" "B"@"SEL$1")
    FULL(@"SEL$1" "D"@"SEL$1")
    FULL(@"SEL$1" "E"@"SEL$1")
    OUTLINE_LEAF(@"SEL$1")
    ALL_ROWS
    DB_VERSION('11.2.0.2')
    OPTIMIZER_FEATURES_ENABLE('11.2.0.2')
    END_OUTLINE_DATA
*/
```

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consider SQL Plan Management

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bonus tip !

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```
SQL> select /*+ INDEX(accounts_pk) */  
2 from ACCOUNTS  
3 where ...
```

```
SQL> select /*+ INDEX(a) */  
2 from ACCOUNTS  
3 where ...
```

```
SQL> select /*+ INDEX(scott.accounts) */  
2 from SCOTT.ACCOUNTS  
3 where ...
```

```
SQL> select /* INDEX(A) */  
2 from SCOTT.ACCOUNTS A  
3 where ...
```

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```
SQL> SELECT *  
  2  from table(dbms_xplan.display(... ,  
                                format=>'typical +HINT_REPORT'))
```

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finding bad SQL ...

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... is probably bad SQL

```
SQL> select sql_fulltext  
2 from v$sql  
3 where buffer_gets > 1000000 or  
4 executions > 10000 or  
5 disk_reads > 100000;
```

SQL_FULLTEXT

```
SELECT ...  
FROM ...
```

you can do better

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```
SQL> select sql_fulltext
2  from v$sqlstats
3  where buffer_gets > 1000000 or
4         executions > 10000 or
5         disk_reads > 100000;
```

SQL_FULLTEXT

```
SELECT ...
FROM ...
```

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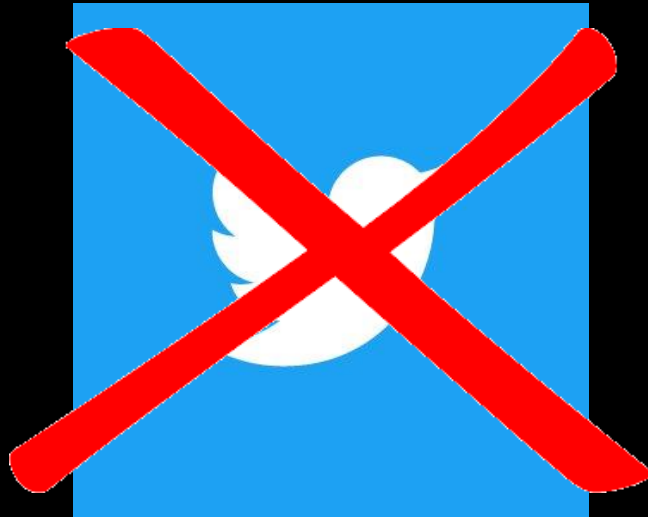
*"The column definitions for columns in V\$SQLSTATS are identical to those in the V\$SQL and V\$SQLAREA views. However, the V\$SQLSTATS view differs from V\$SQL and V\$SQLAREA in that it is **faster, more scalable, and has a greater data retention** (the statistics may still appear in this view, even after the cursor has been aged out of the shared pool)."*

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sqlplus hash tags

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```
SQL> select SAL
      2  from EMP
      3  where "hmmmm....."
```

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```
SQL> select SAL
      2  from EMP
      3  where
      4  #desc EMP
```

Name	Null?	Type
EMPNO	NOT NULL	NUMBER(4)
ENAME		VARCHAR2(10)
JOB		VARCHAR2(9)
...		

```
      4  job = 'CLERK';
```

```
      SAL
-----
      800
     1100
```

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```
SQL> declare
  2     x int;
  3  begin
  4     select max(sal)
  5     into   x
  6     from   emp;
  7
  8     dbms_output.put_line(x);
  9  #set serverout on
  9  end;
 10  /
```

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sqlplus error logging

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```
SQL> set errorlogging on
```

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```
SQL> set errorlogging on
```

```
SQL> desc SPERRORLOG
```

Name	Type
-----	-----
USERNAME	VARCHAR2 (256)
TIMESTAMP	TIMESTAMP (6)
SCRIPT	VARCHAR2 (1024)
IDENTIFIER	VARCHAR2 (256)
MESSAGE	CLOB
STATEMENT	CLOB

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```
SQL> select * from THE_WRONG_NAME;
```

```
select * from THE_WRONG_NAME
```

```
*
```

```
ERROR at line 1:
```

```
ORA-00942: table or view does not exist
```

```
SQL> desc THE_WRONG_NAME;
```

```
ERROR:
```

```
ORA-04043: object THE_WRONG_NAME does not exist
```

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```
SQL> select timestamp, message, statement
       2 from SPERRORLOG;
```

```
TIMESTAMP
```

```
MESSAGE
```

```
STATEMENT
```

```
01-APR-08 02.29.58.000000 PM
ORA-00942: table or view does not exist
select * from THE_WRONG_NAME
```

```
01-APR-08 02.29.58.000000 PM
ORA-04043: object THE_WRONG_NAME does not exist
desc THE_WRONG_NAME;
```

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```
SQL> set errorlogging on
SQL> @create_all_objects
```

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sqlplus / sqlcl transaction safety

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```
C:\WINDOWS\system32\cmd.exe
SQL>
SQL> delete from REALLY_IMPORTANT_TABLE
2 /
26364 rows deleted.
```

```
SQL> set exitcommit
```

wrap up

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