
Segment Compression with Oracle Database 11g for DBAs and Developers

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- Member: Western Washington Oracle Users Group
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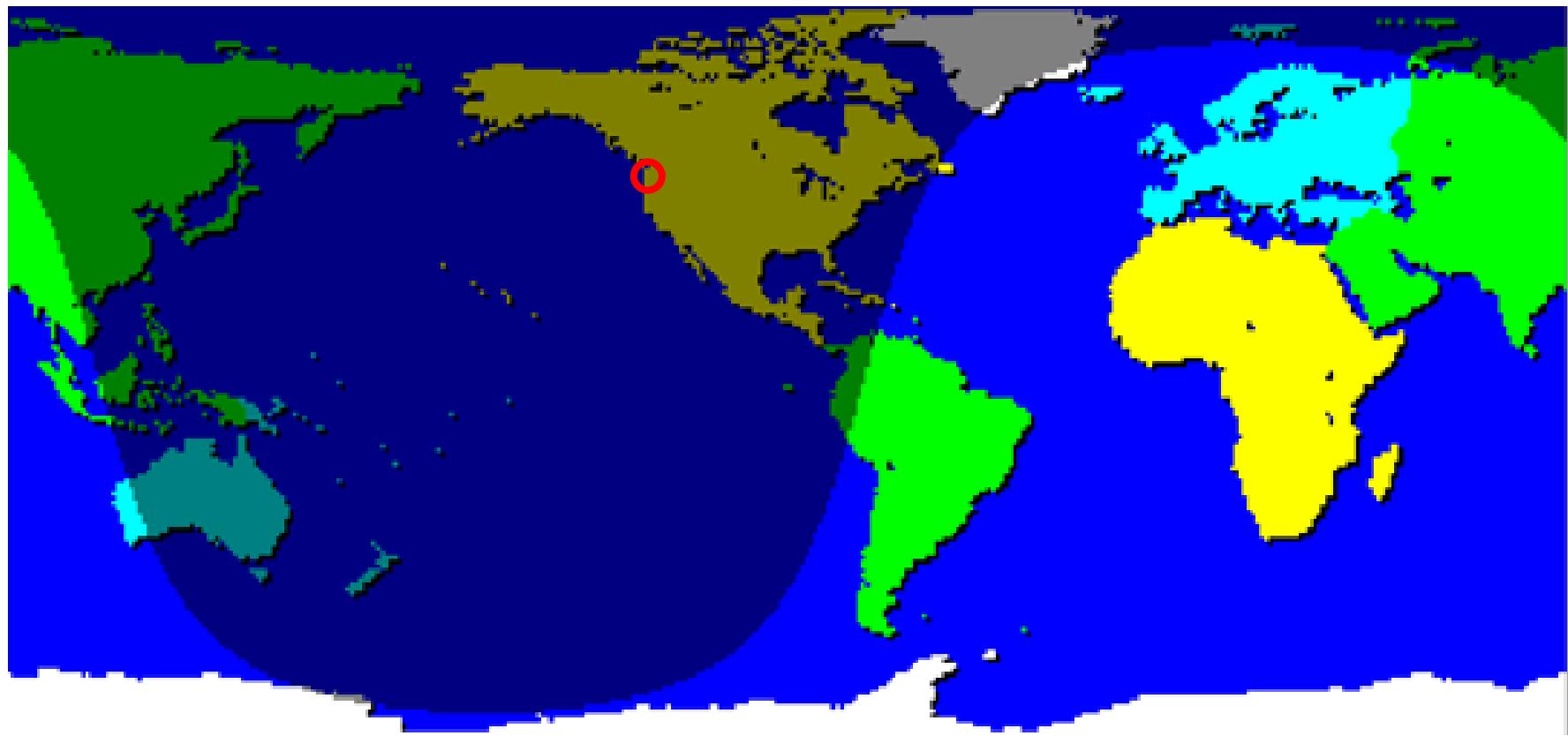
- Oracle since version 6
- 11g beta test site



I missed the police escort



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And a few other places



Since I was here last year

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	Kevin Closson, Oracle	
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ODTUG 07/09	Daniel Morgan Morgan's Library	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Oracle Audit Vault: Trust but Verify for Enterprise Databases
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OUGN 03/09	Daniel Morgan University of Washington	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Oracle Gems for DBAs and Developers
UKOUG 12/08	Daniel Morgan University of Washington	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Breaking Oracle
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May 20, 2009
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Oracle's DBA of the year, Husnu Sensoy is working with Dan Morgan, EMEA user group leaders like Heli Helskyaho (OUGF) and Jackie Rose (Oracle EMEA in London) to make that a thing of the past.
Support for Husnu's efforts has been spectacular. Tom Kyte is planning to be in Turkey and many members of the ACE community have joined our effort as well. Please contact Husnu and offer your support.



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This is the start of a new Morgan's Library feature.
For the next couple of years, while we learn more about 11gR2,
we will be focusing our efforts here.
Please join us while we grow this section
and learn how to index it so you can find what you need.

Can we code it?

Yes we can!

Visiting HQ



Oracle OpenWorld 2009

**Oracle Advanced Compression in Oracle Database 11g Release 2:
Value/Performance (S307442)**
Thursday, Oct 15 09:00-10:00 Moscone South, Room 102 Seats Available: 389

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Track: Database

Secondary Track:

Description: With the release of Oracle Advanced Compression in Oracle Database 11g Release 2, Oracle has implemented columnar compression and redefined the performance and value proposition. This session, hands-on in SQL*Plus, demonstrates Oracle Advanced Compression's new columnar storage capabilities in normal and partitioned heap tables, demonstrating the syntax and compression capabilities while highlighting the ability to leverage this new feature to generate substantial financial savings on storage subsystems.

Session Type: Conference Session

Tags: [Add](#) 11gac, Database, Database Maintenance

Length: 60 min

Speakers: Daniel Morgan, *University of Washington Instructor*

Related Sessions: [with co-presenter: Oak Table Network member Kevin Clossen](#)

Agenda

- Why the interest in compression?
- A brief history of Oracle Database Compression
 - Index Compression
 - Data Segment Compression
 - LOB Compression
 - Advanced Compression in 11gR1
- Advanced Compression in 11gR2
- Hybrid Columnar Compression & Exadata V2

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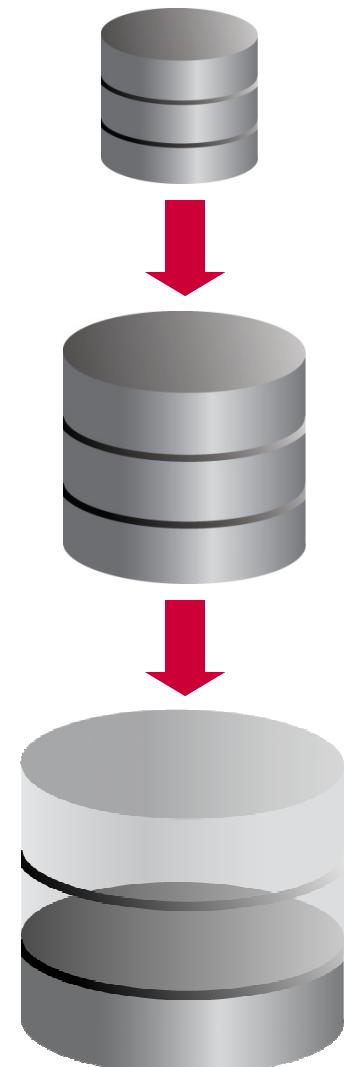
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GB, TB, EB
What's the
big deal?

Why Compress Segments?

- Explosion in Data Volumes
 - Regulatory and audit requirements
 - Online content
- As data volume expands performance often declines
- Disk costs money

- Powerful and efficient compression is key



What Is Traditional Compression?

- A trade-off between CPU and Disk I/O
 - Use spare CPU cycles to decrease the bytes written and read
- First introduced in Oracle 9.2.0.1
- Transparent to applications, SQL, and PL/SQL
- May improve performance by requiring the transfer of fewer bytes from disk through the network, into the CPU, to be stored in the buffer cache
- Increases the amount of data stored on existing disk

How Traditional Compression Works

- A grossly oversimplified "how it works"
 1. Oracle examines full blocks for duplicates
 2. Creates a symbol that is stored in the block header
 3. Rewrites the block substituting the symbol for the values it represents
- **Compression is performed at the block level**
not table level like DB2

City	State	Postal Code
Hot Springs National Park	AR	71901
Hot Springs National Park	AR	71902
Hot Springs National Park	AR	71903
Hot Springs National Park	AR	71913

128 bbytes

City	State	Postal Code
Hot Springs National Park	AR	71901
"	"	"02
"	"	"03
"	"	"13

38 bbytes

9.2 Index Compression

- Most often used with multi-column indexes to compress duplicates in leading columns

```
CREATE INDEX ix_serv_inst
ON serv_inst (srvr_id, custacct_id);

ANALYZE INDEX ix_serv_inst VALIDATE STRUCTURE;

SELECT opt_cmpr_count, opt_cmpr_pctsave
FROM index_stats;

SELECT sum(bytes)
FROM user_segments
WHERE segment_name = 'IX_PCODES';

OPT_CMPR_COUNT OPT_CMPR_PCTSAVE
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1             10
```

9.2 Data Segment Compression

- Heap Organized Tables
- Materialized Views

```
CREATE TABLE reg_tab AS
SELECT *
FROM dba_tables;

CREATE TABLE comp_tab COMPRESS AS
SELECT *
FROM dba_tables;

exec dbms_stats.gather_table_stats(USER, 'REG_TAB');
exec dbms_stats.gather_table_stats(USER, 'COMP_TAB');

SELECT table_name, blocks
FROM user_tables
WHERE table_name LIKE '%TAB';

SELECT table_name, blocks FROM user_tables WHERE table_name LIKE '%TAB';



| TABLE_NAME | BLOCKS |
|------------|--------|
| REG_TAB    | 109    |
| COMP_TAB   | 20     |


```

10.1 LOB Compression

- UTL_COMPRESS Built-in Package

```
DECLARE
  b      BLOB;
  r      RAW(32);
  handle BINARY_INTEGER;
BEGIN
  SELECT iblob
  INTO b
  FROM test
  WHERE fname = 'Uncompressed'
  FOR UPDATE;

  handle := utl_compress.lz_compress_open(b);

  r := utl_raw.cast_to_raw('ABC');

  utl_compress.lz_compress_add(handle, b, r);

  utl_compress.lz_compress_close(handle, b);
END;
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```

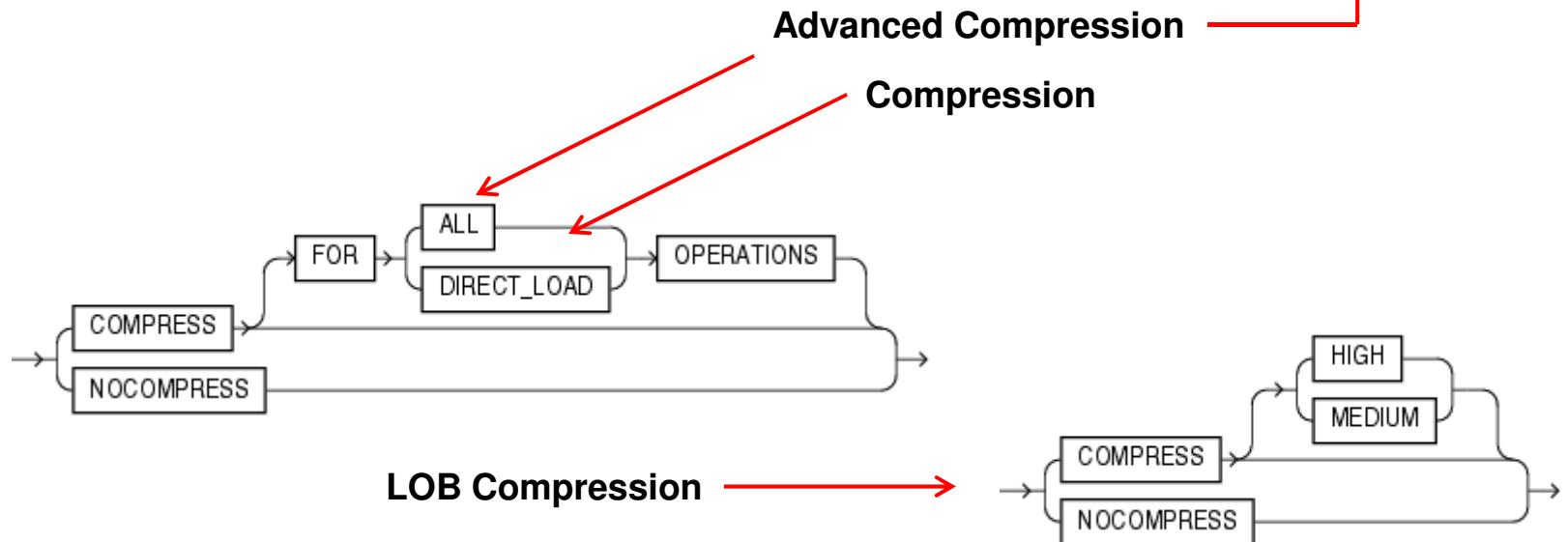
- No significant changes in 10gR2

11.1 Compression

- Index and Segment Compression
- The Advanced Compression Option includes
 - Data Guard Network Compression
 - decreased bandwidth required
 - Data Pump Compression
 - decreased space required
 - smaller/faster to FTP
 - Fast RMAN Compression
 - decreased space required
 - faster backup to tape
 - OLTP Table Compression
 - decreased space required
 - often no or a positive affect on performance
 - SecureFile Compression and Deduplication
 - Leveraged in 11gR2 DBFS (DataBase File System)

11.1 Many Options

- Compressed Tablespaces
- Segment Compression
 - COMPRESS
 - COMPRESS FOR DIRECT_LOAD [OPERATIONS]
 - COMPRESS FOR ALL [OPERATIONS]
- user_tablespaces.compress_for column



SecureFiles

- Part of the Advanced Compression option

```
CREATE TABLE sec_tab_kd (
  rid NUMBER(5),
  bcol BLOB)
  LOB (bcol)
  STORE AS SECUREFILE bcol (
    TABLESPACE securefiletbs
    RETENTION MIN 3600
    KEEP_DUPLICATES
    NOCOMPRESS
    ECRYPT
    CACHE READS)
  TABLESPACE uwdata;
```

```
CREATE TABLE secfile_table (
  rid NUMBER(5),
  bcol BLOB)
  LOB (bcol)
  STORE AS SECUREFILE bcol2 (
    TABLESPACE securefiletbs
    RETENTION MIN 3600
    COMPRESS
    ENCRYPT
    CACHE READS)
  TABLESPACE uwdata;
```

- What Oracle now calls DBFS (Database File System)

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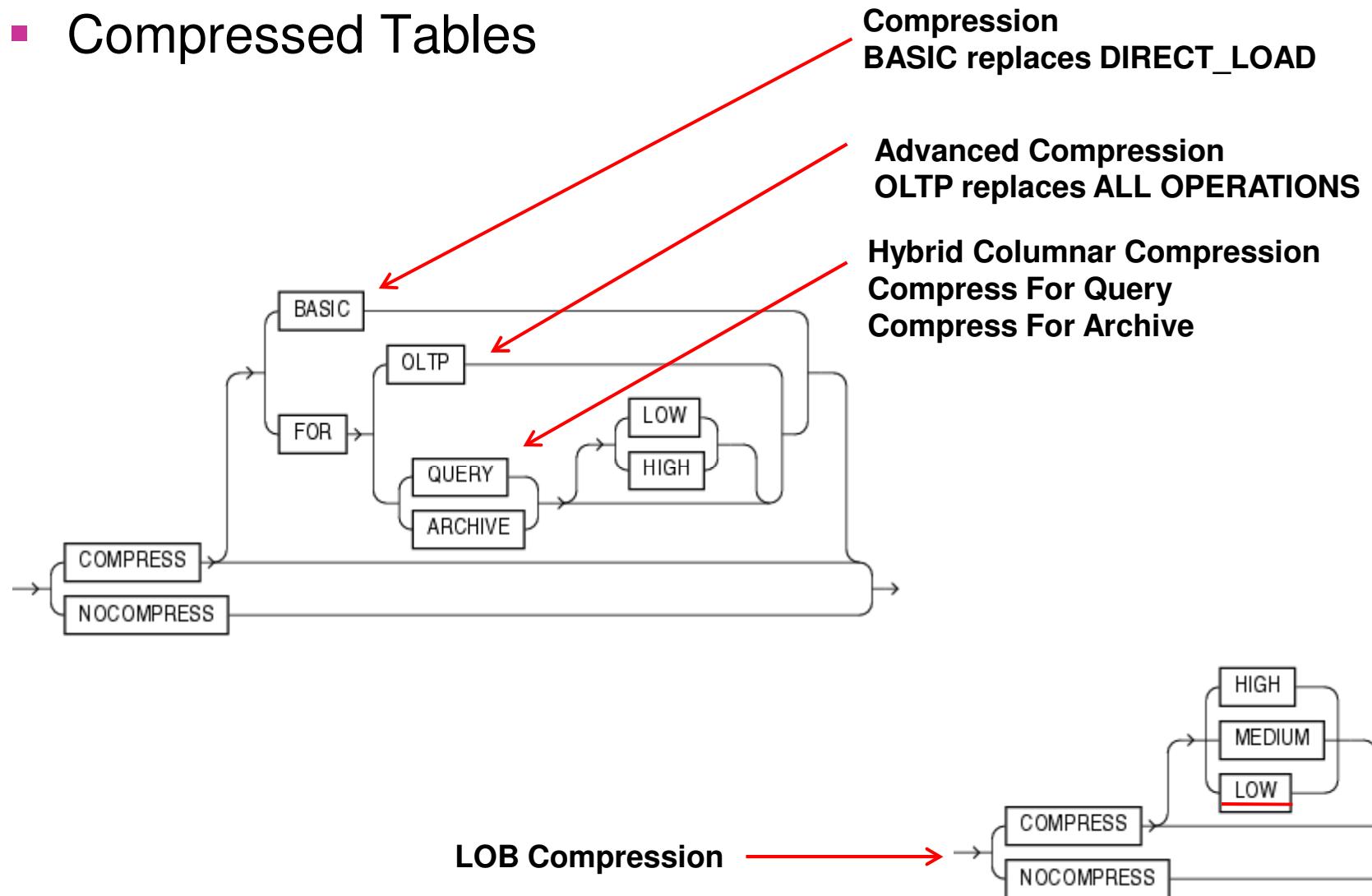
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11.2 Compression

- Segment Compression
- The Advanced Compression Option includes
 - Data Guard Network Compression
 - Data Pump Compression
 - Fast RMAN Compression
 - OLTP Table Compression
 - SecureFile Compression and Deduplication
- Hybrid Columnar Compression
 - Warehouse Compression (Query)
 - Archival Compression (Archive)

11.2 Segment Compression Changes

- Compressed Tables



11.2 Table Segment Compression

- Compress for OLTP

```
CREATE TABLE ct1
  COMPRESS FOR OLTP
  AS
  SELECT * FROM dba_objects;
```

- Compress for Query

```
CREATE TABLE ct2
  COMPRESS FOR QUERY HIGH
  AS
  SELECT * FROM dba_objects;
```

- Compress for Archive

```
CREATE TABLE ct3
  COMPRESS FOR ARCHIVE LOW
  AS
  SELECT * FROM dba_objects;
```

Hybrid Columnar Compression

Hybrid Columnar Compression and Performance

- Is compression a cost/space/power/cooling savings feature ...
- or a performance feature?
 - Yes

Oracle Database Search Results: Hybrid Columnar Compression



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Hybrid Columnar Compression and Performance

- Oracle Database doesn't decompress data for the sheer fun of it. Decompression is a part of query processing
- Query processing starts with I/O and continues on to filtration and column projection
- Compression ratio is also the physical I/O savings ratio
- Decompression is inserted between I/O and SQL processing. Strictly speaking, it is a tax
- Spending CPU cycles to uncompress data takes CPU from query processing
- Decompression needs to produce a lot of output to pay for itself

Two New Features in Exadata V2

Warehouse Compression

- 10x average storage savings
- 10x reduction in Scan IO

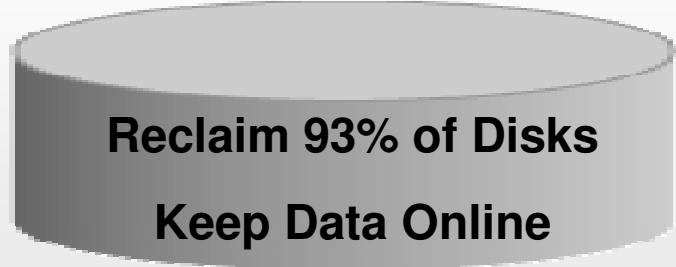
Optimized for Speed



Archive Compression

- 15x average storage savings
 - Up to 70x on some data
- Some access overhead
- For cold or historical data

Optimized for Space

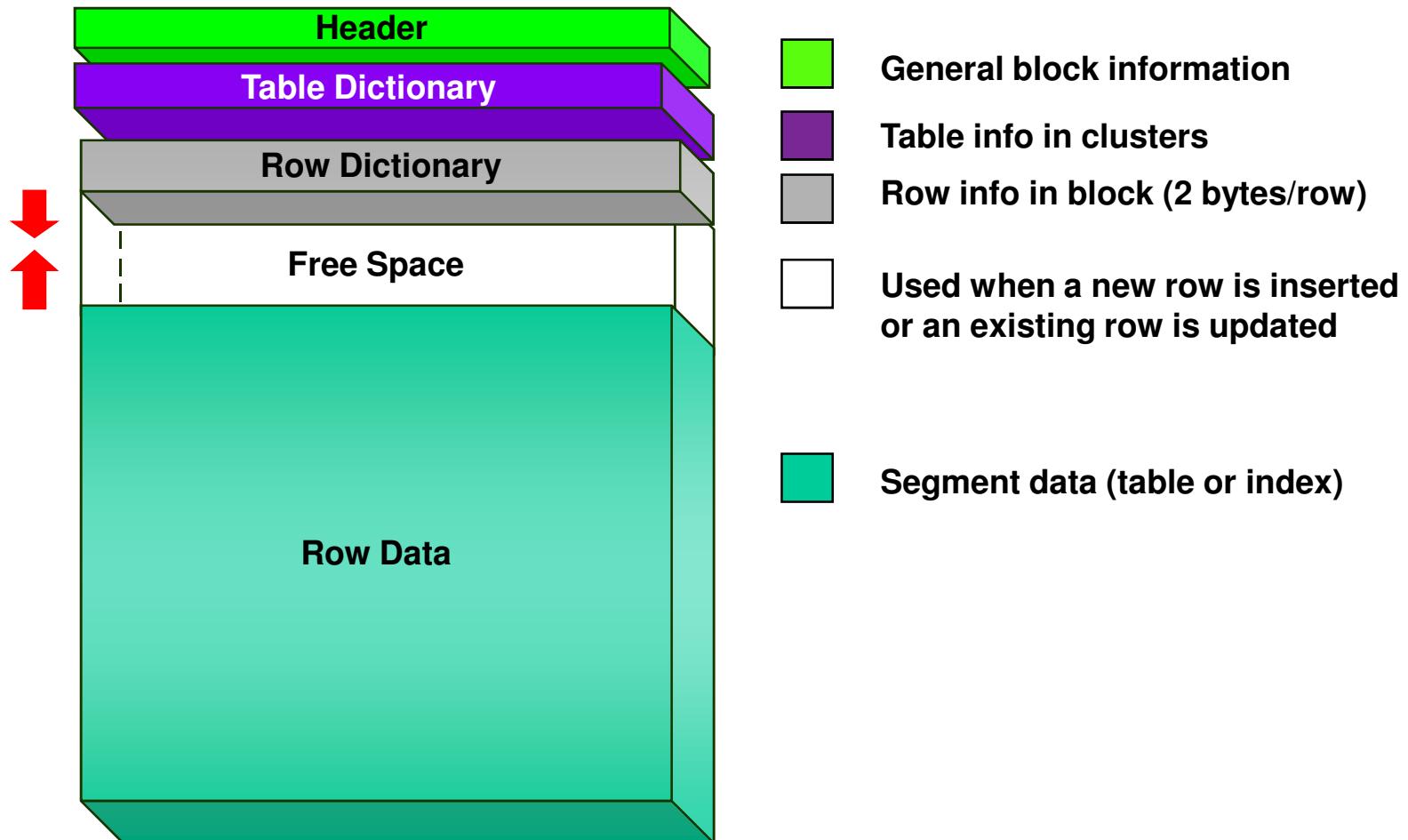


Completely application transparent

How It Works

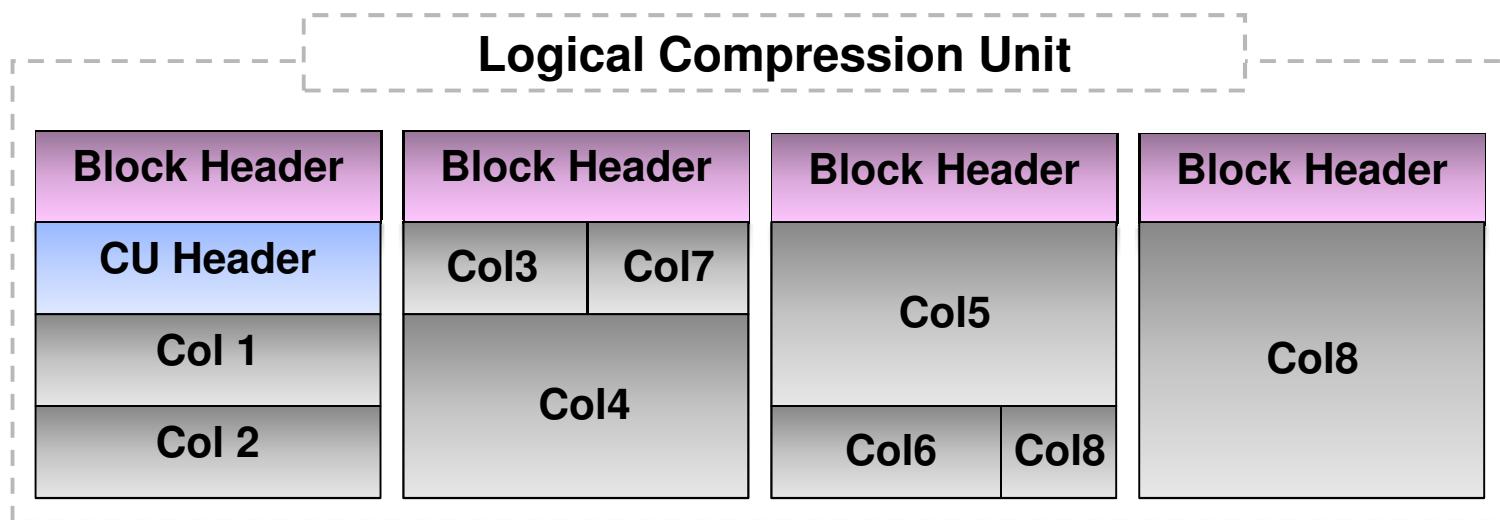
- New technology in Oracle Exadata V2
 - New method for organizing data in a database block
 - A second columnar generation technology combining the best of columnar and row organization
 - Columnar Organization
 - Transparently organizes and stores table data by column
 - Improves analytic and aggregate query performance
 - 93% of the performance of full columnar w/o the drawbacks
 - Row Organization
 - The best storage for workloads with updates or trickle feeds
 - A row is self-contained within a ‘compression unit’
 - Minimal I/O to retrieve entire row
 - Efficient index lookups, updates, and deletes
 - Compression changes I/O to CPU balance considerations

Database Block Anatomy



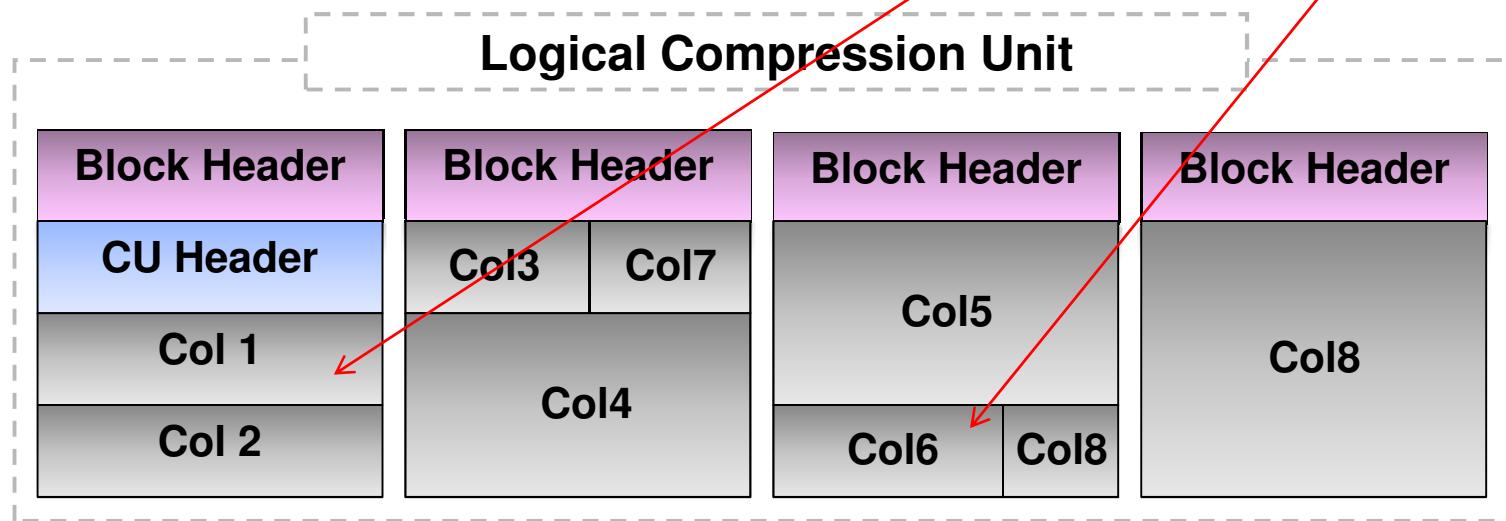
Logical Compression Unit

- Tables are organized into Compression Units (CU)
 - CU's are logical structure spanning multiple database blocks
 - Typically 32K - (4 x 8K block size)
 - Data is organized by column during data load
 - Each column is compressed separately
 - Column organization brings similar values close together



Logical Compression Unit

```
CREATE TABLE demo (
  person_id      NUMBER(10),
  first_name     VARCHAR2(20),
  mid_initial    VARCHAR2(4),
  last_name      VARCHAR2(35),
  date_of_birth  DATE,
  hire_date      DATE,
  status          VARCHAR2(5),
  comments        VARCHAR2(500));
```



Hybrid Columnar Compression

- DML with Hybrid Columnar Compression
 - Direct Load operations result in Hybrid Columnar Compression
 - Parallel DML, INSERT /*+ APPEND */, Direct Path SQL*LDR
 - Data is transformed into columnar format and compressed during load
 - Conventional INSERT results in OLTP Compression
 - Updated rows automatically migrate to OLTP Compression
- Queries with Hybrid Columnar Compression
 - Only decompress necessary columns to satisfy query
 - Data can remain compressed in the buffer cache
- Optimized algorithm avoids or greatly reduces overhead of decompression during queries

Warehouse Compression

- Built on HCC technology
- Compression algorithm optimized for query performance
- Reduces storage and I/O payload requirements
- Optimal workload characteristics for Warehouse Compression
 - Data loaded with Direct Load operations
 - Scan oriented access
 - Minimal update activity

Optimized for Query Performance

Archival Compression

- Built on HCC technology
- Compression algorithm optimized for maximum storage savings
- Benefits applications with data retention requirements
- Best approach for ILM and data archival
 - Minimum storage footprint
 - No need to move data to tape or less expensive disks
 - Data is always online and always accessible
 - Run queries against historical data (without recovering from tape)
 - Update historical data
 - Supports schema evolution (add/drop columns)

Optimized for Space Utilization

Online Archival Compression

- Optimal workload characteristics for Online Archival Compression
 - Any application (OLTP, Data Warehouse)
 - Cold or Historical Data
 - Data loaded with Direct Load operations
 - Minimal access and update requirements
- 15x average storage savings
 - 1 TB Database compresses to 67 GB
 - Keep historical data online forever
 - Up to 40x savings seen on production customer data

Compression & Partitioning

- OLTP Applications
 - Table Partitioning
 - Heavily accessed data
 - Partitions using OLTP Table Compression
 - Cold or historical data
 - Partitions using Online Archival Compression
- Data Warehouses
 - Table Partitioning
 - Heavily accessed data
 - Partitions using Warehouse Compression
 - Cold or historical data
 - Partitions using Online Archival Compression

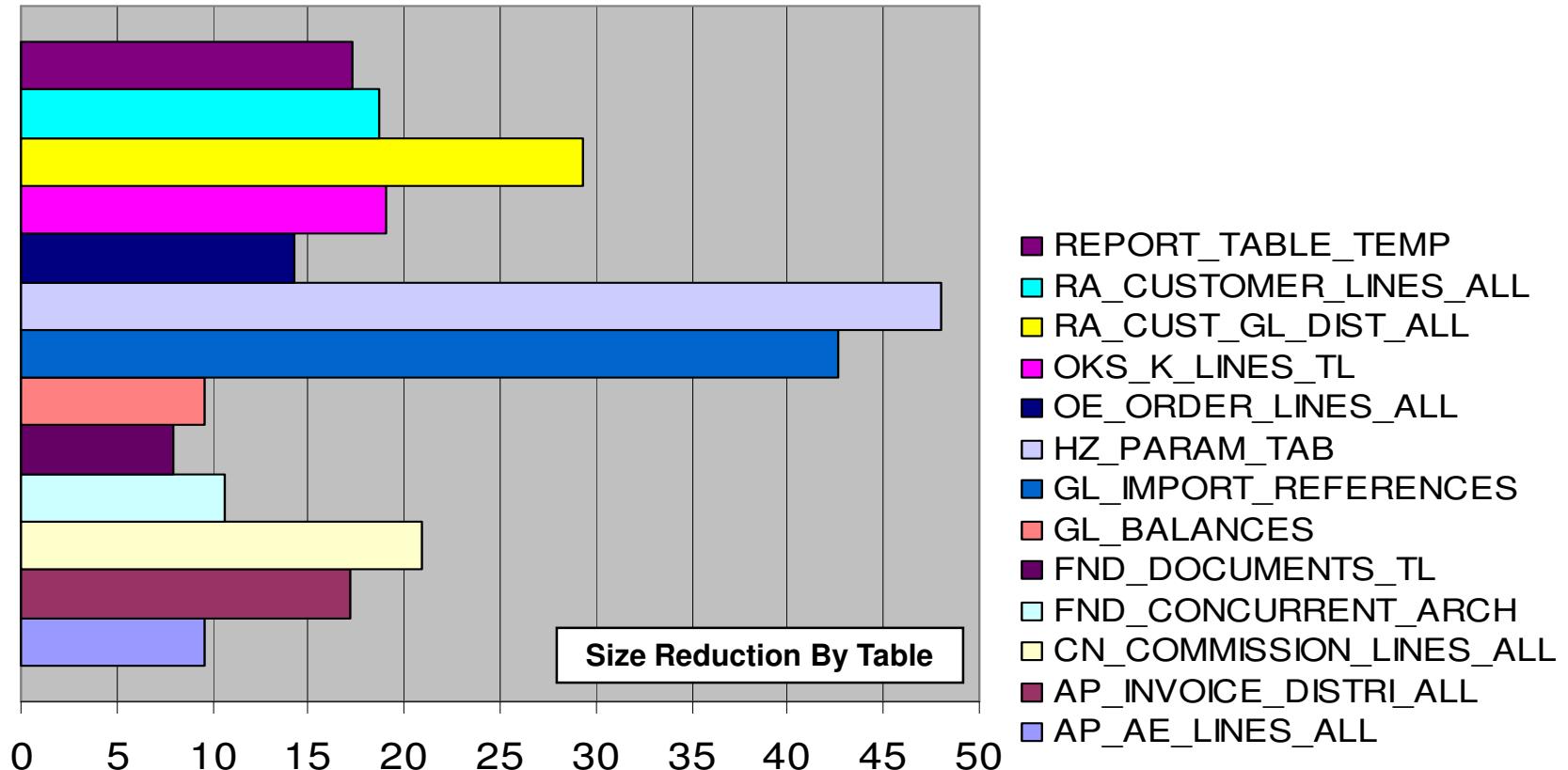
Business as Usual

- Fully supported with...
 - B-Tree, Bitmap Indexes, Text indexes
 - Materialized Views
 - Exadata Server and Cells
 - Partitioning
 - Parallel Query, PDML, PDDL
 - Schema Evolution support, online, metadata-only add/drop columns
 - Data Guard Physical Standby Support
- Will be supported in a future release
 - Logical Standby
 - Streams

Things to Consider ...

- When a row is updated
 - It is automatically migrated to OLTP Table Compression
 - Table size will increase moderately
 - All rows in the compression unit are locked
- When tables are queried
 - Table scans are faster due to less I/O
 - Index lookups are usually slower
 - Need to decompress the compression unit to read entire row

Oracle Production E-Business Suite Data



Archive Compression 8x to 48x - Reduction Average 20x

Big Banks achieved 30X average, Major Telcos 9X average

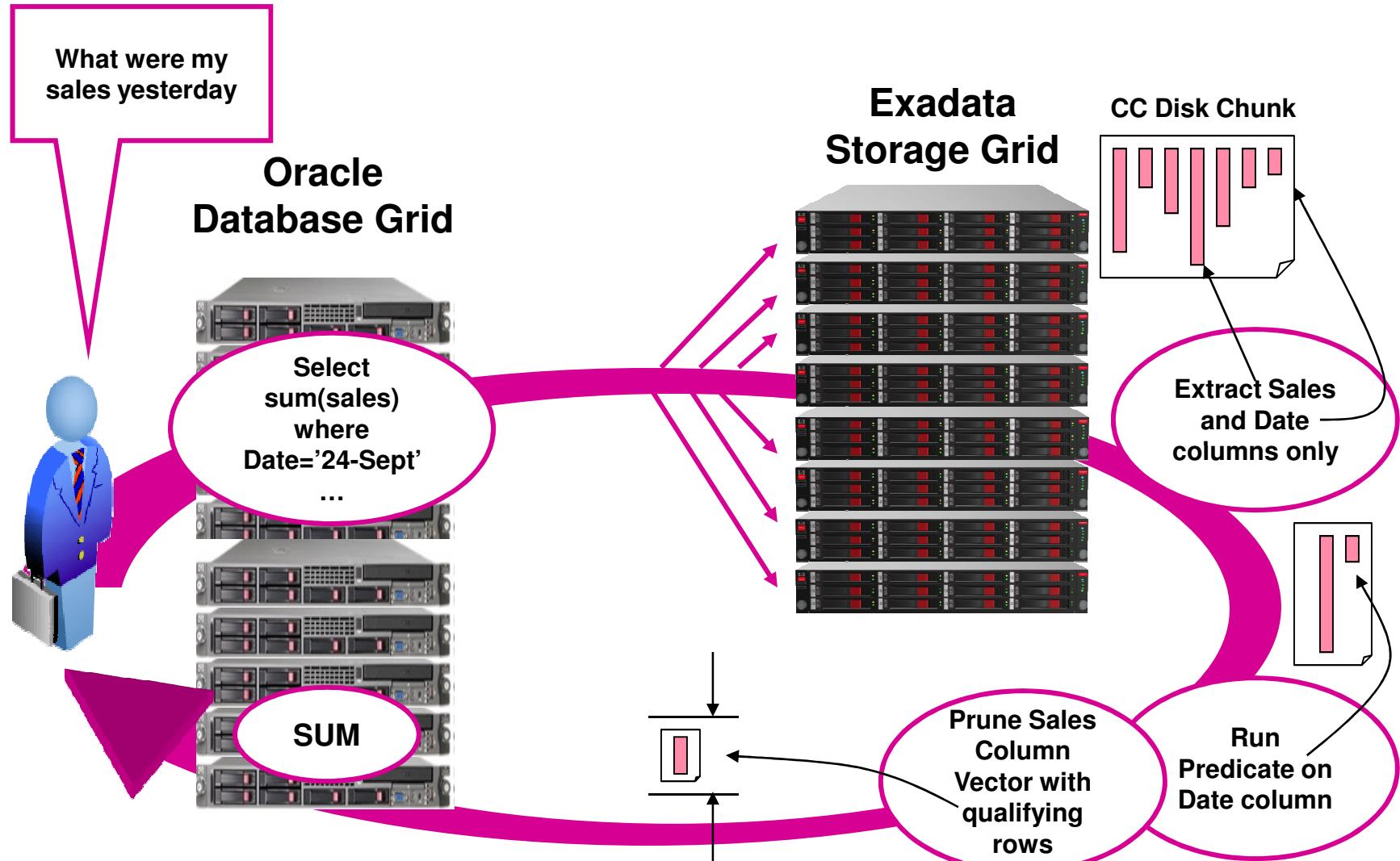
HCC's Performance Characteristics

	GB/s Physical	4 GFC HBAs	EHCC Reinflated Data Flow (GB/s)	Required Cores for "Primary Processing
Generic System *	4	10	40	6.8
Database Machine	21 (disk)	N/A	210	35.7
	50 (flash)	N/A	500	85

- Division of work: Sun Oracle Database Machine has 112 processor cores for decompression and filtration
- A hypothetical equivalent non-Exadata system would need on the order of 10 cluster nodes just for decompression and filtration if provisioned 21 GB/s I/O

* Hypothetical as HCC is an Exadata Feature

Smart Scans of Columnar Compressed Tables



New Compression Advisor

- DBMS_COMPRESSION built-in package
 - GET_COMPRESSION_RATIO
Returns the possible compression ratio for an uncompressed table or materialized view and estimates achievable compression
 - GET_COMPRESSION_TYPE
Inspects data and reports what compression type is in use by row
- Enterprise Manager Segment Advisor
 - Estimates OLTP Table Compression automatically
 - Advises tables that will benefit from OLTP Compression

GET_COMPRESSION_RATIO

```
CREATE TABLE comp_test1 AS
SELECT * FROM dba_objects;

set serveroutput on

DECLARE
  blkcnt_comp PLS_INTEGER;
  blkcnt_uncm PLS_INTEGER;
  row_comp    PLS_INTEGER;
  row_uncm    PLS_INTEGER;
  comp_ratio  PLS_INTEGER;
  comp_type   VARCHAR2(30);
BEGIN
  dbms_compression.get_compression_ratio('UWDATA', 'UWCLASS', 'COMP_TEST1', NULL,
  dbms_compression.comp_for.oltp, blkcnt_cmp, blkcnt_uncmp, row_comp, row_uncm,
  comp_ratio, comp_type);

  dbms_output.put_line('Block Count Compressed: ' || TO_CHAR(blkcnt_comp));
  dbms_output.put_line('Block Count UnCompressed: ' || TO_CHAR(blkcnt_uncm));
  dbms_output.put_line('Row Count Compressed: ' || TO_CHAR(row_comp));
  dbms_output.put_line('Row Count UnCompressed: ' || TO_CHAR(row_uncm));
  dbms_output.put_line('Block Count Compressed: ' || TO_CHAR(comp_ratio));
  dbms_output.put_line('Compression Type: ' || comp_type);

END;
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```

GET_COMPRESSION_TYPE

```
CREATE TABLE comp_test2
COMPRESS FOR OLTP AS
SELECT * FROM dba_objects;

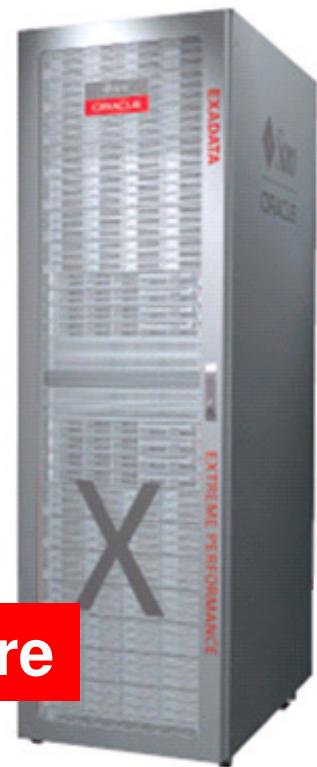
set serveroutput on

DECLARE
  rid ROWID;
  n  NUMBER;
BEGIN
  SELECT MAX(rowid)
  INTO rid
  FROM comp_test2;

  n := dbms_compression.get_compression_type(USER, 'COMP_TEST2', rid);
  dbms_output.put_line(n);          owner    table name    rowid
END;
/
```

Summary

- If you can move to Exadata V2 ... you will better serve your customers
- If you can not then don't rely a single technology ... leverage them in combination
 - ASM
 - Real Application Clusters
 - Advanced Compression
 - Partitioning



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