

# Demystify Oracle 23ai for EBS and Oracle EBS Natural Language Query

What E-Business Suite  
Clients Need To Know



# A23A Is Huge And IS On A Collision Course!



**Giant iceberg on crash course with island, putting penguins and seals in danger**

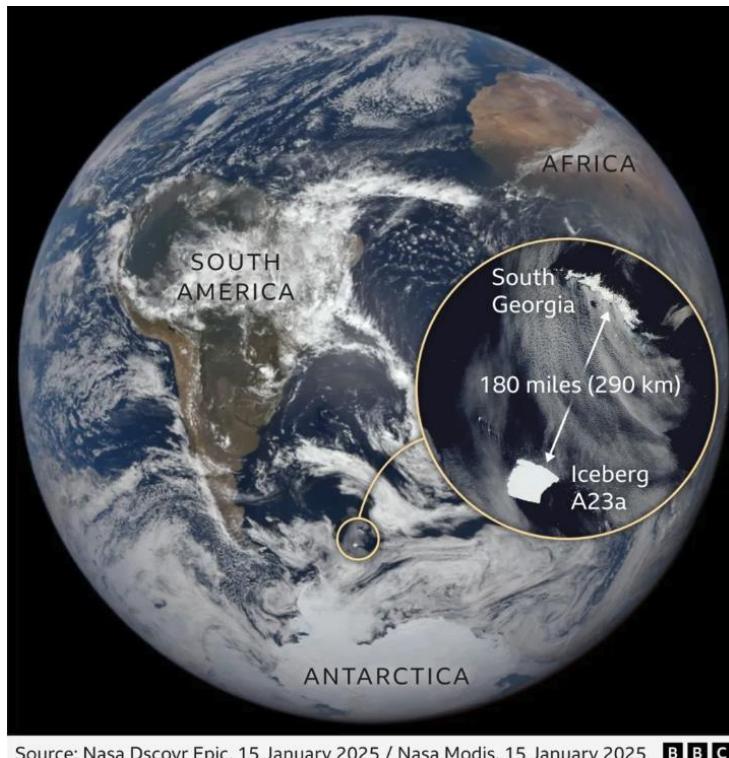
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Georgina Rannard Erwan Rivault  
Climate and science reporter Data journalist



The world's largest iceberg is on a collision course with a remote British island, potentially putting penguins and seals in danger.

The iceberg is spinning northwards from Antarctica towards South Georgia, a rugged British territory and wildlife haven, where it could ground and smash into pieces. It is currently 173 miles (280km) away.



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A23A is enormous and on a collision course, but it is also the world's largest iceberg (<https://lnkd.in/ef9J5JaM>). Oracle 23ai is likewise huge and on a collision course. For Oracle E-Business Suite customers, Oracle 23ai is not just the certification of the latest Oracle database server in the E-Business Suite's 30-year history. Oracle 23ai, with its vector search, will have an enormous impact on EBS reporting, trending, and forecasting (think A23A!).

<https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/cd64vv4z6go>

# Speaker – Moderator



## Mike Miller

Syntax Senior Solution Architect

- Over 25 years of working with enterprise software and information security technologies
- Experience with enterprise software implementation and support, cloud operations, and executing compliance and risk management programs.
- A CISSP, Certified Information Systems Security Professional
- Oracle ACE Associate



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# Speaker



## Mike Rulf

Americas CTO

- Over 2 decades managing large technology organizations
- Hands-on involvement in the design, installation, maintenance and extension of large distributed software solutions
- Multi-cloud and SaaS platform architect with a strong focus on information security for large organizations



# What is the mission? How Does Oracle 23ai Impact It?



Empower decision-making and drive innovation by gathering, accurately identifying and harnessing the power of your data to unlock opportunities and enhance growth



## Data Analytics

Supports the identification, collection, optimization and centralization of data from across the enterprise.

Enables your organization to undergo a cultural shift that encourages data literacy to gain insights and make better decisions.



## Generative AI

Enhances interpretation of large, complex data sets & present findings in a more accessible way so non-technical stakeholders can understand & act on insights.

Generate predictive insights based on historical data so your organization can anticipate trends, forecast outcomes and make proactive decisions.



## Hyperautomation

Empowers organizations to optimize their processes, enhance their capabilities and maintain a competitive edge in this rapidly evolving business landscape.

Data-driven companies are growing at an average of more than 30% annually  
-Forrester Research

By 2022, 90% of corporate strategies will explicitly mention information as a critical enterprise asset and analytics as an essential competency  
-Gartner

By 2023, organizations that promote data sharing will outperform their peers on most business value metrics  
-Gartner

# Oracle 23ai Will Impact Your Journey to Become a Data-Driven Enterprise



1

## Plan

- Strategy
- Expectations
- Investment Alignment

2

## Governance

- Publish Dos & Don'ts
- Publish Policies

3

## Establish COE

- Setup internal board
- Communication

4

## Identify Use Cases

- Workshops (top down)
- Contests (bottom up)
- Identify pilots

5

## Tech Stack

- Select stack
- Hyperscaler
- Select Model(s)

6

## Deploy Chat Agent

- Deploy private virtual agent
- Implement guardrails
- Ingest private data

7

## Execute Pilots

- Controlled groups
- Measurable outcomes

8

## Train Employees

- End-users / Consumers
- All Employees

9

## Leverage

- Add GenAI & Analytics to existing solutions
- Build new solutions

10

## Disrupt

- Hyperautomation
- Intelligent Workflows
- GenAI & Data Agents

The main challenges for executives are identifying where and how generative AI fits into existing and future business and operating models, how to experiment productively with GenAI use cases, and how to prepare for the longer-term disruptions and opportunities resulting from GenAI trends. - Gartner

# Agenda



- Oracle 23ai
  - 23c, 23ai and 23.5
  - Themes and Features
  - Vector Tutorial
- EBS and 23ai
  - EBS 23ai Certification
  - Vectors for EBS
  - Impact on analytics, BI, and reporting
  - Project Plan to Upgrade to 23ai
- EBS Natural Language Query (you don't need 23ai)
- Closing Comments

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Oracle 23ai

# Oracle 23ai Perspective and History

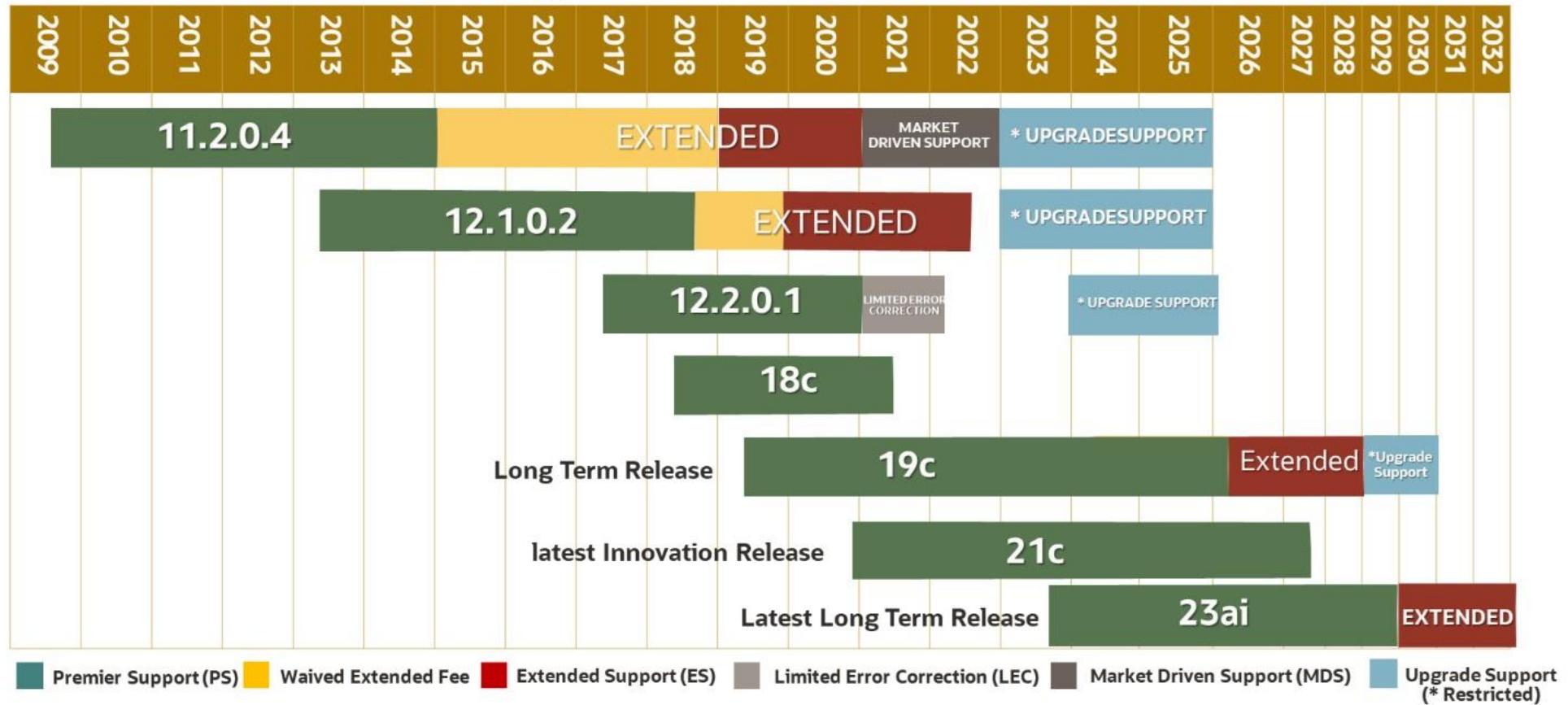


- Oracle database server versions
  - Oracle 8i (1999) delivered JVM in the database and Java Stored Procedures
  - Oracle 9i (2001) delivered Real Application Cluster (RAC)
  - Oracle 10gR2 (2005) delivered TDE
  - Oracle 12c (2013) delivered multi-tenant PBDs
  - *Oracle 23ai (2024) delivers vectors, ML, AI, and more!*
- 23c was first, and with 23.4 was renamed 23ai
  - 23.4 (ai) delivered vector datatypes, 23.6 is the current release
  - 300 new features and thousands of enhancements
  - Currently only available at OCI (this will change)
    - OCI Exadata as a Service or OCI Database as a Service
    - Exadata at AWS, Azure, GCP
    - Cloud@customer/Exadata@customer



# Oracle 23ai Is the Latest Long Term Support Version

## Database Releases and Support Timelines



# Oracle Database 23ai – Long-term Support Release



# Oracle Database 23ai

Bring AI to your data

Boolean Datatype

Data Use Case Domains

Real-time SQL Plan Management

JSON Schema

Microservice Sagas

Priority Transactions

Rolling Patching

JS Stored Procedures

Developer Role

Shrink Tablespace

Schema Privileges

Readable PDB Standby

Property Graphs

True Cache

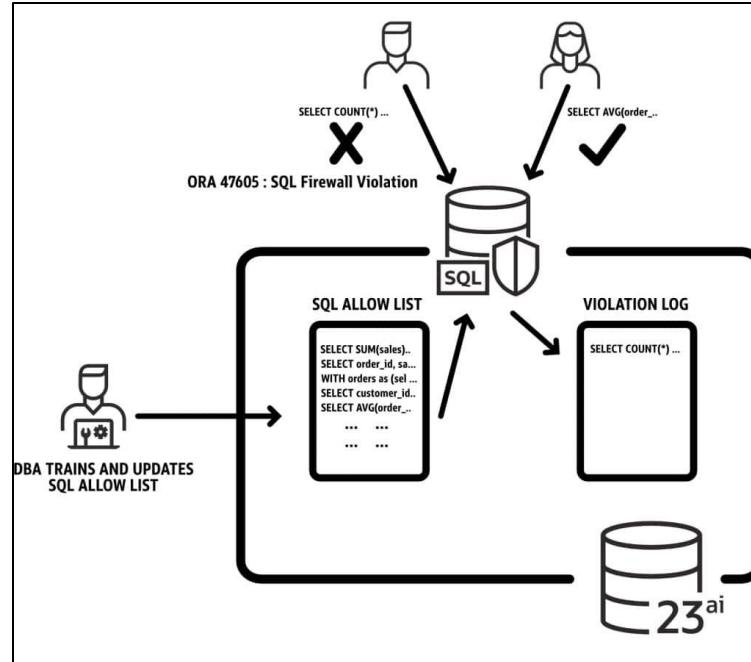
SQL Firewall

Globally Distributed Database

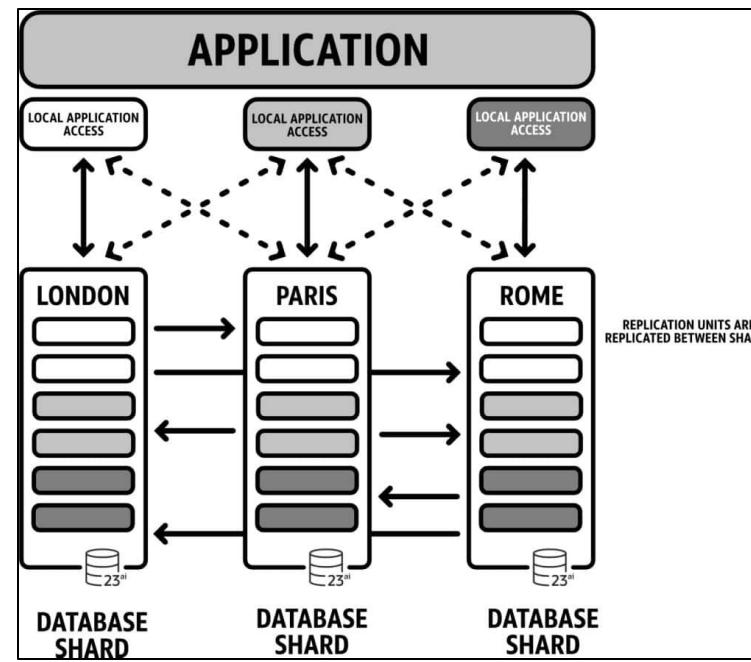
AI Vector Search

# 23ai Features That Hopefully we will see Oracle EBS Development deliver new functionality using

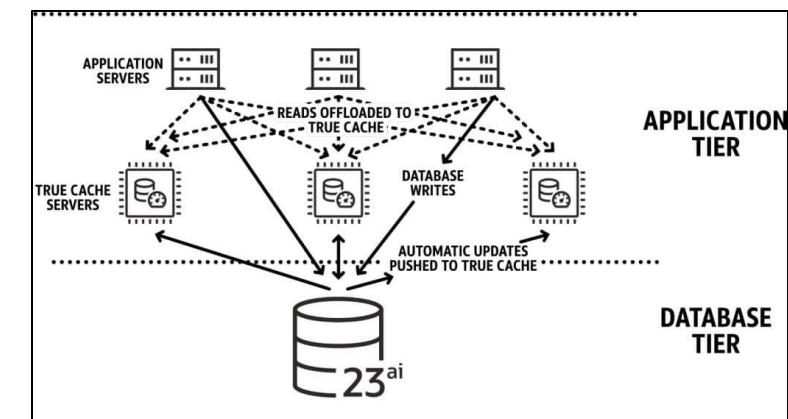
<https://blogs.oracle.com/database/post/oracle-23ai-now-generally-available>



Security: SQL Firewall In The Kernel



RAFT: Logical Sharding



Performance: True Cache

# 23ai Allows SQL to Access ML Models Written in Python and R



**With 23ai Machine learning models produced using native Python and R packages:** These can be produced using Python and R environments, possibly leveraging GPU resources, or by using [Oracle Machine Learning for Python](#) (OML4Py) and [Oracle Machine Learning for R](#) (OML4R) embedded execution.

*Your data scientists will love this!*

## Use Python and R models stored in your database

Using Oracle Machine Learning, you can instead bring these models to your database and store them using the datastore feature of OML4Py and OML4R. See [How to store R and Python objects in Oracle Database](#) to learn more about this capability.

Further, you can invoke your user-defined Python or R functions that load these models directly from the database for inferencing or other purposes. Using OML4Py or OML4R embedded execution, such user-defined functions can be run in database-spawned and managed Python or R engines. Apart from using Python or R APIs, you can invoke these functions from SQL, and on Autonomous Database, also from REST endpoints. Further, you can use third-party Python and R packages with your user-defined functions.

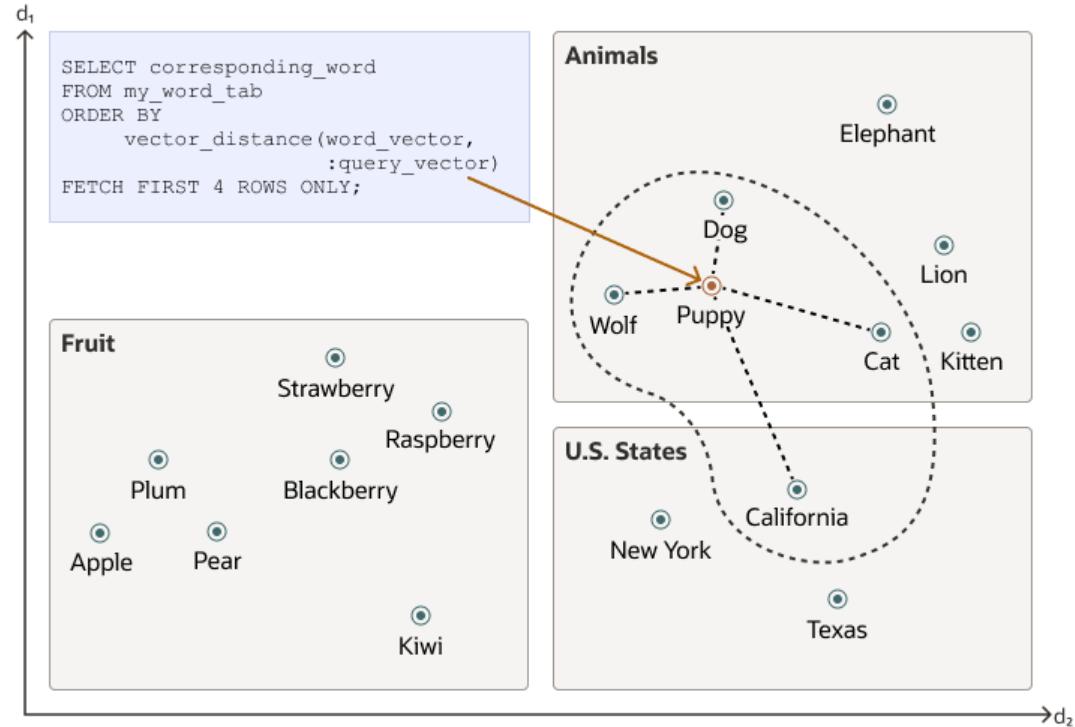
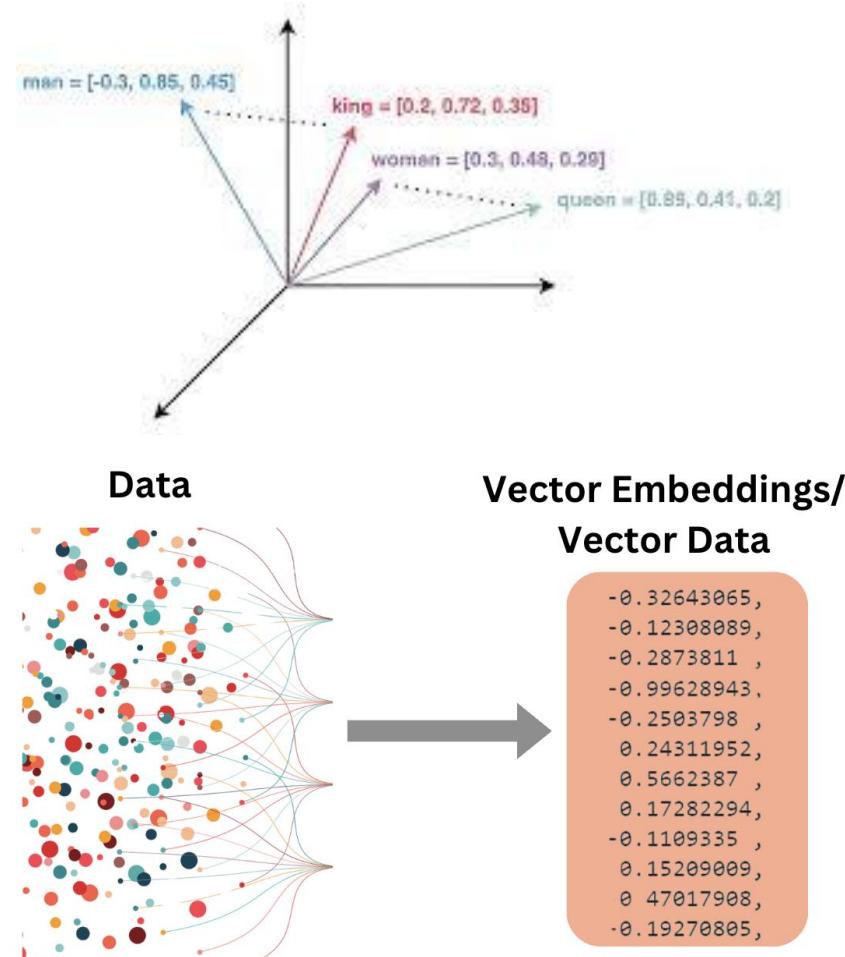
<https://blogs.oracle.com/machinelearning/post/enhance-your-ai-ml-apps-with-flexible-byom-options>



# Vectors

Bigger than RAC or TDE!

# What Are Vectors?



*Think of creating a vector of 1,024 facts or attributes of data about the words 'pear' or 'dog' or 'Texas'*

# Oracle 23ai Vectors In Action



SQL> select id, title, vg\_vec1 from VECTOR.VIDEO\_GAMES\_VEC order by id;

PROBLEMS    OUTPUT    DEBUG CONSOLE    TERMINAL    PORTS    JUPYTER    QUERY RESULT    SCRIPT OUTPUT    SQL HISTORY

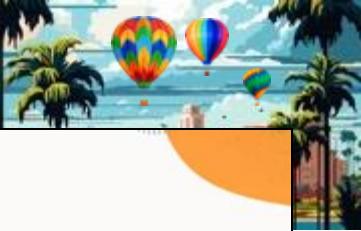
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2	2	Lumines: Puzzle Fusion	[-5.98754883E-002,-5.63049316E-002,1.23062134E-002,2.76489258E-002,-1.25274658E-002,-1.73473358E-003,2.95562744E-002,-7.98034668E-003,-6.07299805E-002,1.27E
3	3	WarioWare Touched!	[-1.5625E-002,4.93164062E-002,3.76586914E-002,1.02310181E-002,-2.00805664E-002,-4.56237793E-003,3.02734375E-002,-9.01794434E-003,-1.45721436E-002,7.85522461E
4	4	Hot Shots Golf: Open Tee	[7.75146484E-002,-2.59552002E-002,-3.96118164E-002,2.24456787E-002,4.51965332E-002,6.35986328E-002,1.33972168E-002,-2.33001709E-002,-5.20629883E-002,-5.3619
5	5	Spider-Man 2	[-2.10418701E-002,-2.86254883E-002,-4.45251465E-002,-1.00421906E-003,-3.06396484E-002,1.10092163E-002,-8.67462158E-003,1.14974976E-002,-3.39050293E-002,-1.72E
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7	7	Ridge Racer	[-9.03930664E-002,3.31726074E-002,1.98364258E-002,3.01513672E-002,-3.82080078E-002,5.94482422E-002,-3.70788574E-002,1.1907959E-001,-3.59191895E-002,-1.24893E
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13	13	Ridge Racer DS	[-1.26953125E-001,2.65655518E-002,5.94787598E-002,8.62121582E-003,-7.02514648E-002,2.88238525E-002,-6.17980957E-002,8.71582031E-002,-8.33892822E-003,3.20129E
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18	18	Zoo Keeper	[7.14111328E-002,-1.121521E-002,5.22232056E-003,-2.2315979E-003,5.60302734E-002,6.65283203E-002,-1.69677734E-002,4.56848145E-002,1.54418945E-002,2.69927979E-
19	19	Mr. DRILLER: Drill Spirits	[-3.75976562E-002,-2.25257874E-003,-2.83660889E-002,6.92367554E-004,-3.23486328E-002,-3.58581543E-002,3.67736816E-002,-7.5378418E-002,-9.12475586E-002,-2.72E
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More info: <https://www.oracle.com/database/vector-search/>

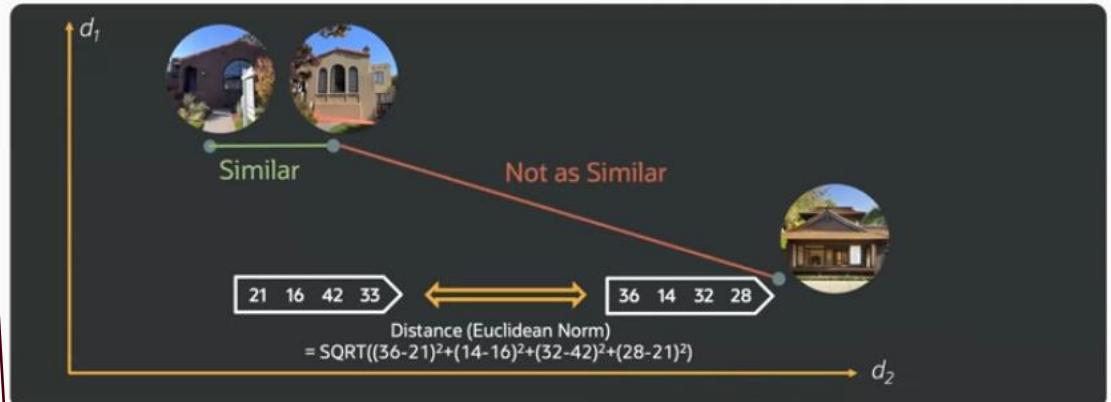


# Vector Tutorial In One Slide



- Vectors are new native database data type, no need for separate vector database (just like BOOLEAN is a new datatype with 23ai)
- Vectors and all new ai functionality is available for free with all versions of the Oracle database
- Exadata offloads VECTOR search queries for performance

The distance between the vectors is proportional to their semantic similarity



Example: the features for a house image could be



Note: In reality, ML algorithms determine features, so they are not as simple as shown here

Allows queries that combine AI vector search with business data about customers and products

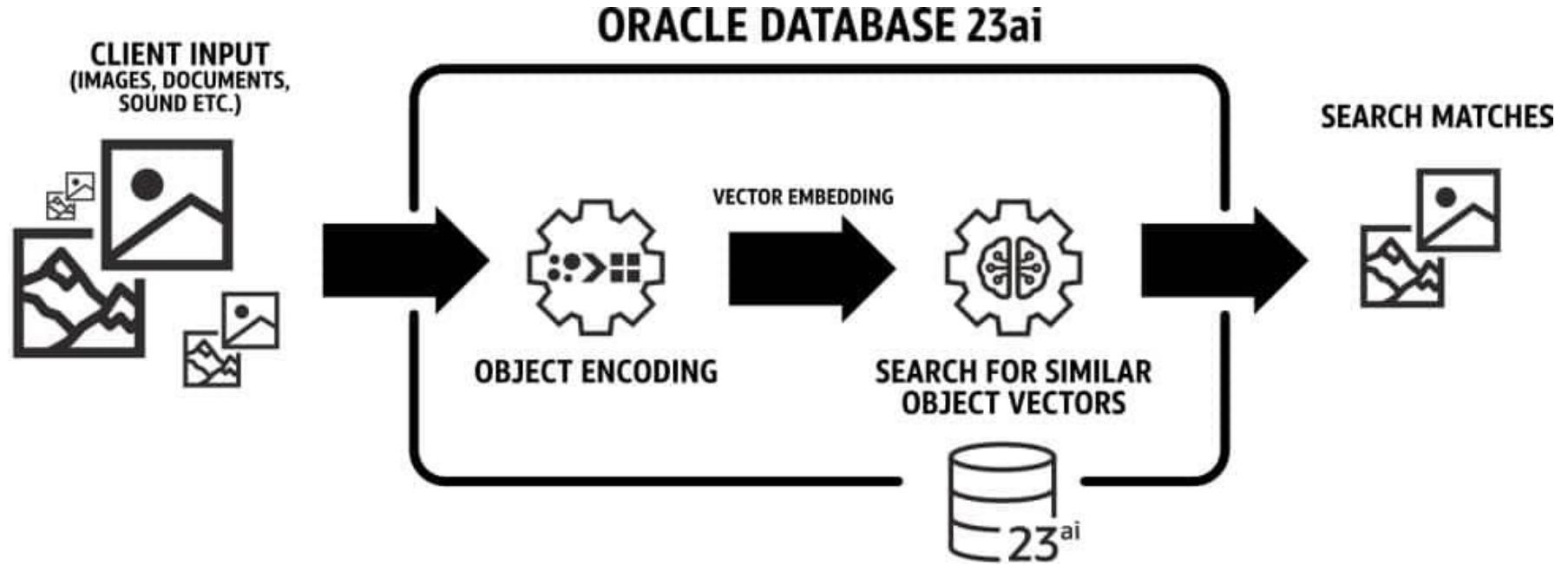
Combines customer data, product data, and AI search in a few lines of SQL!

A single integrated solution, all data is fully consistent

```
SELECT ...  
FROM house_for_sale  
WHERE price <= (SELECT budget FROM customer ...)  
AND city IN (SELECT search_city FROM customer ...)  
ORDER BY vector_distance(house_vector, :input_vector)  
FETCH APPROX FIRST 10 ROWS ONLY  
WITH TARGET ACCURACY 95 PERCENT;
```



# Oracle 23ai Delivers Vector Functionality Native within the Oracle Database: THIS IS HUGE!



*Use AI where your data lives*

*Think A23A!*

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# Oracle E-Business Suite

What does 23ai Certification Mean?



# Oracle 12.2 Certification with Oracle 23ai

- Certified
  - Active Data Guard, Data Guard using Physical Server Names,, In Place Standby Upgrade,, Multi-tenant CBD/PDB, RAC, TDE, Unified Auditing, Network control lists, Data Masking using EM 13cR5
  - Advanced compression, Database In-Memory, Partitioning, Native PL/SQL compilation, Label Security, SecureFile, VPD
  - APEX, ISG SOA Gateway, Access Manager 12c, EBS App management pack
- Pending certification
  - Database Vault using EBS\_SYSTEM
  - Transportable Database for data migration processes
  - Transportable Tablespaces for data migration processes
  - GoldenGate 23ai on-premise
- Source material

<https://blogs.oracle.com/ebsandoraclecloud/post/ebs-122-now-certified-with-database-23ai-on-database-cloud-services-for-commercial-cloud>

<https://blogs.oracle.com/ebstech/post/updated-ebs-122-planned-certification-with-db-23ai-summary-part-7-of-7>

# The Case for Upgrading EBS To Oracle 23ai



- Are you already at OCI? If not, why not?
- When-not-if upgrade decision, if you want to keep current with Oracle
  - When is your next planned upgrade? Is it on your 24-month plan? Should you move the upgrade sooner?
  - The sooner you upgrade, the more benefit you will get from long-term support from Oracle
- 23ai vector search will be huge; upgrade now to start learning and playing with it
  - Be ready for the forthcoming EBS product development functionality releases
  - You will probably want to reconsider your Business Intelligence, reporting and predictive analytics strategies
  - Doing nothing will put you behind

# Who Will Create The Vectors For E-Business Suite Tables?



- 1) Vectors need to be added to tables. There are several types of Vectors (Binary and Sparse), as well as the ability to create Vector Indexes. Example:

```
ALTER TABLE PER_ALL_PEOPLE_F ADD COLUMN person_vector VECTOR;
```

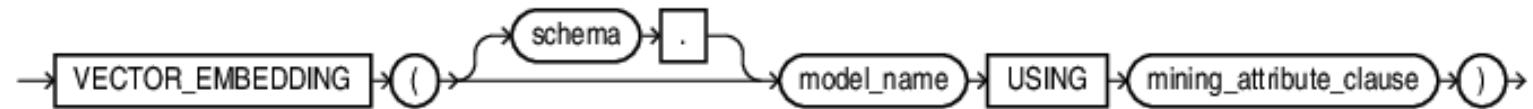
- 2) After creating a VECTOR column in a table, the column will be blank. Like any other column added to a table such as INTEGER or VARCHAR2, it must be then populated. Oracle EBS 12.2 has 25,000+ tables; who will create and populate the VECTORS?

- *Most likely, the same team that has been creating the INDEXES for EBS tables for the past 30 years will also create VECTORS – Oracle's EBS development team*
- *Any vectors created will need to be maintained and protected from patching*
- *Creating vectors for 25,000+ tables is a HUGE effort. Should you create them or wait and see what Oracle delivers first?*

# How To Vectorize (Populate Vectors) Existing Relational Data?



To vectorize existing relational data, use the DBMS\_VECTOR package and VECTOR\_EMBEDDING()



Example: Add Vector data type column to the table PER\_ALL\_PEOPLE\_F and populate it with a vector using selected columns in the table

```
ALTER TABLE PER_ALL_PEOPLE_F ADD COLUMN person_vector VECTOR;
```

```
UPDATE PER_ALL_PEOPLE_F SET person_vector = DBMS_VECTOR.vector_embedding( all_MiniLM_L12_v2  
using concat( blood_type, country_of_birth, date_of_birth, first_name, last_name, full_name, known_as,  
local_name, middle_names, sex) as data);
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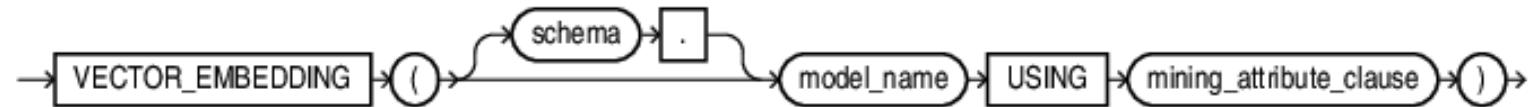
Decision points:

- What tables, what columns warrant VECTORS?
- What LLM to use encode with? all\_MiniLM\_L12\_v2? What best suits your use cases? Will Oracle's LLM selection work best for your use cases?

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Example: Add Vector data type column to the table INV.MTL\_SYSTEM\_ITEMS\_TL  
and populate it with a vector using the Inventory item description column

```
ALTER TABLE INV.MTL_SYSTEM_ITEMS_TL  
ADD ( item_desc_vector VECTOR, item_desc_long_vector VECTOR);
```

```
UPDATE ININV.MTL_SYSTEM_ITEMS_TL  
item_desc_vector = DBMS_VECTOR.vector_embedding( all_MiniLM_L12_v2 using DESCRIPTION) as data);
```

```
UPDATE ININV.MTL_SYSTEM_ITEMS_TL  
item_desc_long_vector = DBMS_VECTOR.vector_embedding( all_MiniLM_L12_v2 using LONG_DESCRIPTION) as  
data);
```

***Now repeat this process for all the remaining  
25,000 tables in the E-Business Suite .....***

# Once EBS Data Is Vectorized, How Will Vectors Be Used?



Vectors Will fundamentally change how EBS data will be used. There will be new patterns, usages, and questions, for example using Natural language

Think of the vector just created on PER\_ALL\_PEOPLE\_F. Let's query the database for men in the USA born between 1960 and 1970 named Mike.....

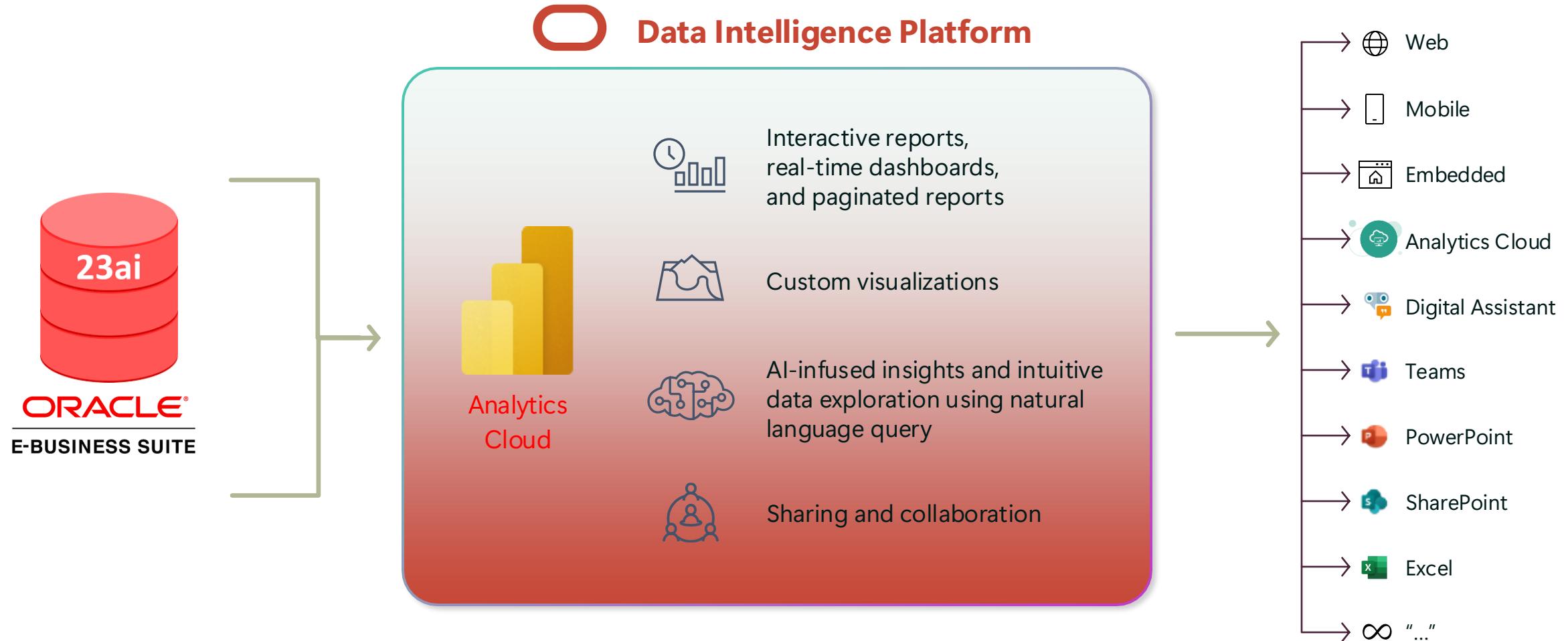
```
SELECT person_id, VECTOR_DISTANCE(person_vector, 'a man named mike born in  
the 1960s', 'COSINE') as distance  
FROM per_all_people_f  
ORDER BY distance ASC
```

- Distance metric or mathematical function used to compute the distance between vectors:
- COSINE (default)
  - MANHATTAN
  - HAMMING
  - JACCARD
  - DOT
  - EUCLIDEAN
  - L2\_SQUARED
  - EUCLIDEAN\_SQUARED

**Question: When will Oracle EBS product development be writing 10,000s of new SQL statements to use the 10,000 of new Vector columns?**

**Where will the new SQL be written: OAC, Reports, Forms?**

# What Will Be Your Bridge Between Data and Decisions?



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Vector User Guide: <https://docs.oracle.com/en/database/oracle/oracle-database/23/vecse/ai-vector-search-users-guide.pdf>

SQL Reference Guide: [https://docs.oracle.com/en/database/oracle/oracle-database/23/vecse/vector\\_embedding.html#GUID-5ED78260-6D21-4B6B-86E0-A1E70EFA11CA](https://docs.oracle.com/en/database/oracle/oracle-database/23/vecse/vector_embedding.html#GUID-5ED78260-6D21-4B6B-86E0-A1E70EFA11CA)

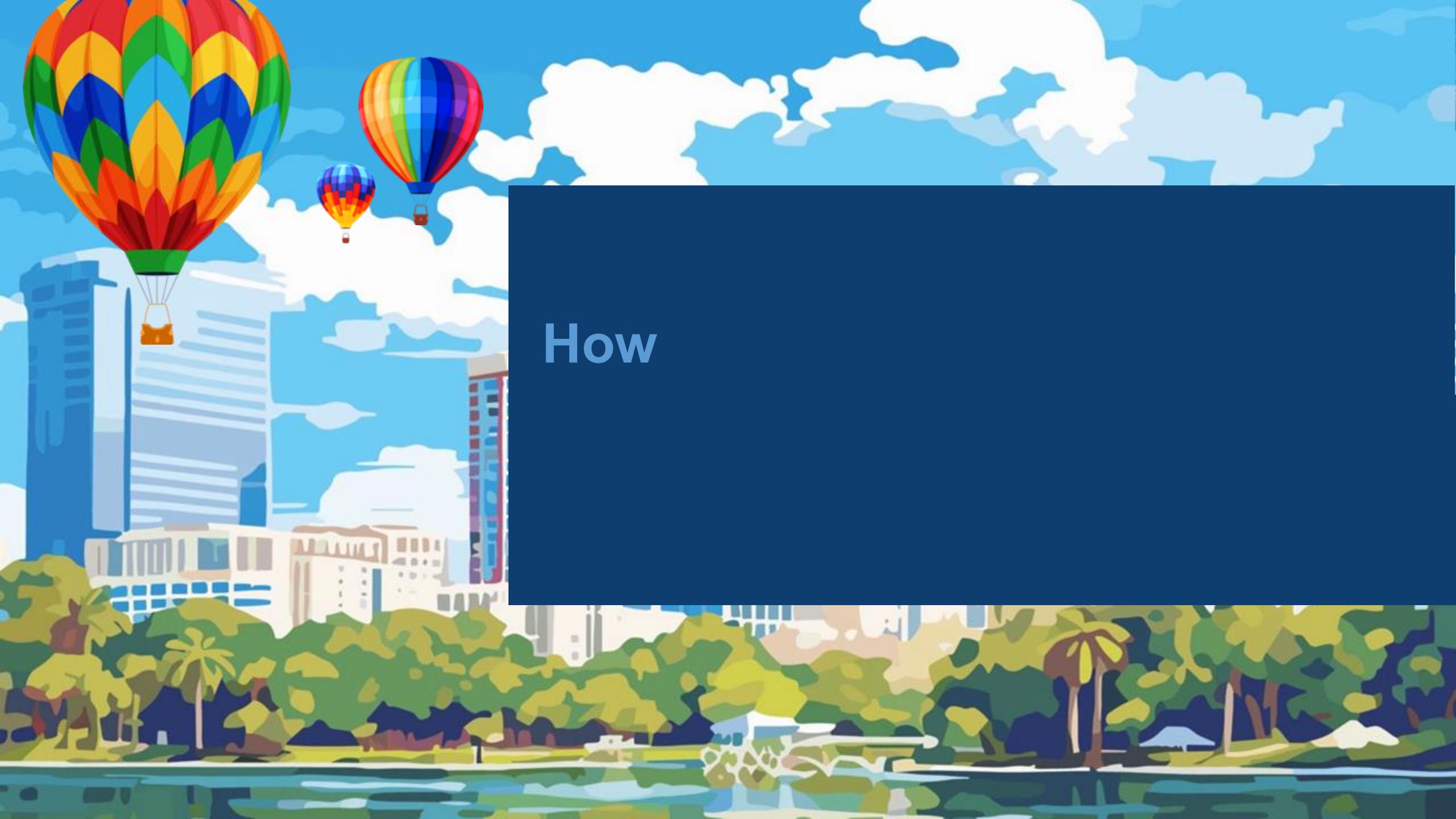
Excellent YouTube:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZLGNKjDKBWU&t=699s&ab\\_channel=FahdMirza](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZLGNKjDKBWU&t=699s&ab_channel=FahdMirza)

DBMS\_VECTOR [https://docs.oracle.com/en/database/oracle/oracle-database/23/arpls/dbms\\_vector1.html#GUID-8E615832-F6C0-4435-8F43-3FAF80692D5B](https://docs.oracle.com/en/database/oracle/oracle-database/23/arpls/dbms_vector1.html#GUID-8E615832-F6C0-4435-8F43-3FAF80692D5B)

Quick start: <https://docs.oracle.com/en/database/oracle/oracle-database/23/vecse/sql-quick-start-using-vector-embedding-model-uploaded-database.html>

eTRM: [https://etrm.live/etrm-12.2.2/etrm.oracle.com/pls/trm1222/etrm\\_pnav27af.html](https://etrm.live/etrm-12.2.2/etrm.oracle.com/pls/trm1222/etrm_pnav27af.html)

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How



# How to Upgrade Oracle EBS 12.2 To Oracle 23ai

## Summary Steps

Upgrade in four steps:

- Test upgrade
- Confirmation
- Rehearsal
- Production

## Technical Requirements and Steps

1. Only OCI and only ExaCS or DBaaS
2. EBS 12.2.7 (error correction baseline)
3. 19c is the only path to 23ai
4. Grid hosting the target database also must be version 23ai of Grid infrastructure (DBaaS and Exadata)
5. Run the 12.2 EBS system schema migration (90% of Syntax's clients have already done this)
6. If using traditional auditing, enable unified auditing
7. Covert to case-insensitive PDB name
8. Apply AD/TXK Delta 16 (or higher)
9. Now upgrade the EBS database to 23ai
10. Apply the EBS 23ai interoperability patch; Interoperability Notes: Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2 with Oracle Database 23ai (Doc ID 2962871.1)
11. Try to catch up on CPUs at the same time: EBS, Java, FMW, WebLogic.

<https://blogs.oracle.com/ebstech/post/updated-ebs-122-planned-certification-with-db-23ai-summary-part-7-of-7>

# High-level 23ai Upgrade Plan For EBS Clients



ACTIVITY	PERIODS (Weeks)														
	3-Dec	10-Dec	17-Dec	24-Dec	31-Dec	7-Jan	14-Jan	21-Jan	28-Jan	4-Feb	11-Feb	18-Feb	25-Feb	4-Mar	
Design & Planning															
Project Kick Off	★														
Working Sessions with EBS and DBA Teams															
Finalize Project Plan															
Phase One - Testing															
Grid Infrastructure Upgrade to 23ai															
Create clone															
Preupgrade steps for EBS and DB															
Upgrade the database															
Post upgrade steps															
Testing and CEMLI analysis															
Update project plan															
Phase Two - Confirmation															
Create clone															
Preupgrade steps for EBS and DB															
Upgrade the database															
Post upgrade steps															
Testing															
Update project plan															
Phase Three - Rehearsal															
Create clone															
Preupgrade steps for EBS and DB															
Upgrade the database															
Post upgrade steps															
Testing															
Phase Three - Upgrade Upgrade															
Preupgrade steps for EBS and DB															
Upgrade the database															
Post upgrade steps															
Testing and release to users															
Hypercare															

# Technical Upgrade Tasks For 23ai For Existing Syntax Client



1. 36119925 - R12.AD.C.delta.16
2. 36117775 - R12.TXK.C.delta.16
3. 35876968 - 23ai interoperability patch
4. 36960053 - 23ai interoperability patch
5. 37012872 - 23ai interoperability patch
6. 37442088 - Oracle teleservices patch bug fixes for CS: Jan 24
7. 32360310 - DB 19C :INVALID PACKAGE APPS.OTA\_MOBILE\_UTILS
8. 36173454: R12.2 - CLE: Israel Open Format
9. ISG Patches
  - 37288906 - 23ai patch for ISG compatibility
  - 37323421 - 23ai patch for ISG compatibility
10. Patch 29949547 - 10.1.2 patch for connecting reports builder to 23 database

*It is all about the interoperability patches for EBS  
and how fast will they mature and stabilize.*

*Syntax plans on testing these patches well into Q3 2025*

The background features a vibrant, stylized illustration of a coastal city. In the foreground, there's a dense cluster of green trees and bushes. Behind them, a variety of modern buildings are visible, including a tall blue skyscraper and several lower-profile residential or office buildings. The sky above is a clear, light blue, dotted with several hot air balloons. One large balloon on the left has a pattern of red, orange, yellow, green, blue, and purple segments. Two smaller balloons are also present, one with horizontal stripes and another with vertical stripes.

# EBS Natural Language Query

You Don't Need 23ai To Do it!

# EBS Natural Language (NL) Query



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## Enabling Natural Language Query of Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.2, Leveraging OCI Generative AI

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Ask Oracle E-Business Suite (EBS)

Prompt: show the details of the workorders released in the last 2 weeks which are delayed.

Domain: Discrete Manufacturing

Job Name	Job Status	Job Open Quantity	Quantity Completed	Wo Delayed Days	Wo Delayed	Wo Start Delayed Days	Wo Start Delayed	Wo Completion Delayed Days	Wo Completion Delayed	Actual Release Date	Actual Completion Date	Sched Start Date	Sched Completion Date	Custo
446916	Released	10	0	2.65466	Yes	.20535	Yes	2.65466	Yes	22-Oct-2024		22-Oct-2024	22-Oct-2024	
446911	Released	5	0	3.35086	Yes		No	3.35086	Yes	20-Oct-2024		21-Oct-2024	21-Oct-2024	
446909	On Hold	2	0	4.65466	Yes	.90722	Yes	4.65466	Yes	20-Oct-2024		20-Oct-2024	20-Oct-2024	
446908	Released	3	0	4.65466	Yes	.90693	Yes	4.65466	Yes	20-Oct-2024		20-Oct-2024	20-Oct-2024	
447907	Released	5	0	1.65466	Yes	.15101	Yes	1.65466	Yes	23-Oct-2024		23-Oct-2024	23-Oct-2024	
446910	Complete	0	4	.92469	Yes	.9078	Yes	.92469	Yes	20-Oct-2024	20-Oct-2024	20-Oct-2024	20-Oct-2024	
446914	Released	5	0	2.1755	Yes	.63826	Yes	2.1755	Yes	21-Oct-2024		21-Oct-2024	22-Oct-2024	

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Ask Oracle E-Business Suite (EBS)

Prompt: show me all work orders

Domain: Discrete Manufacturing

show me all SQL Query

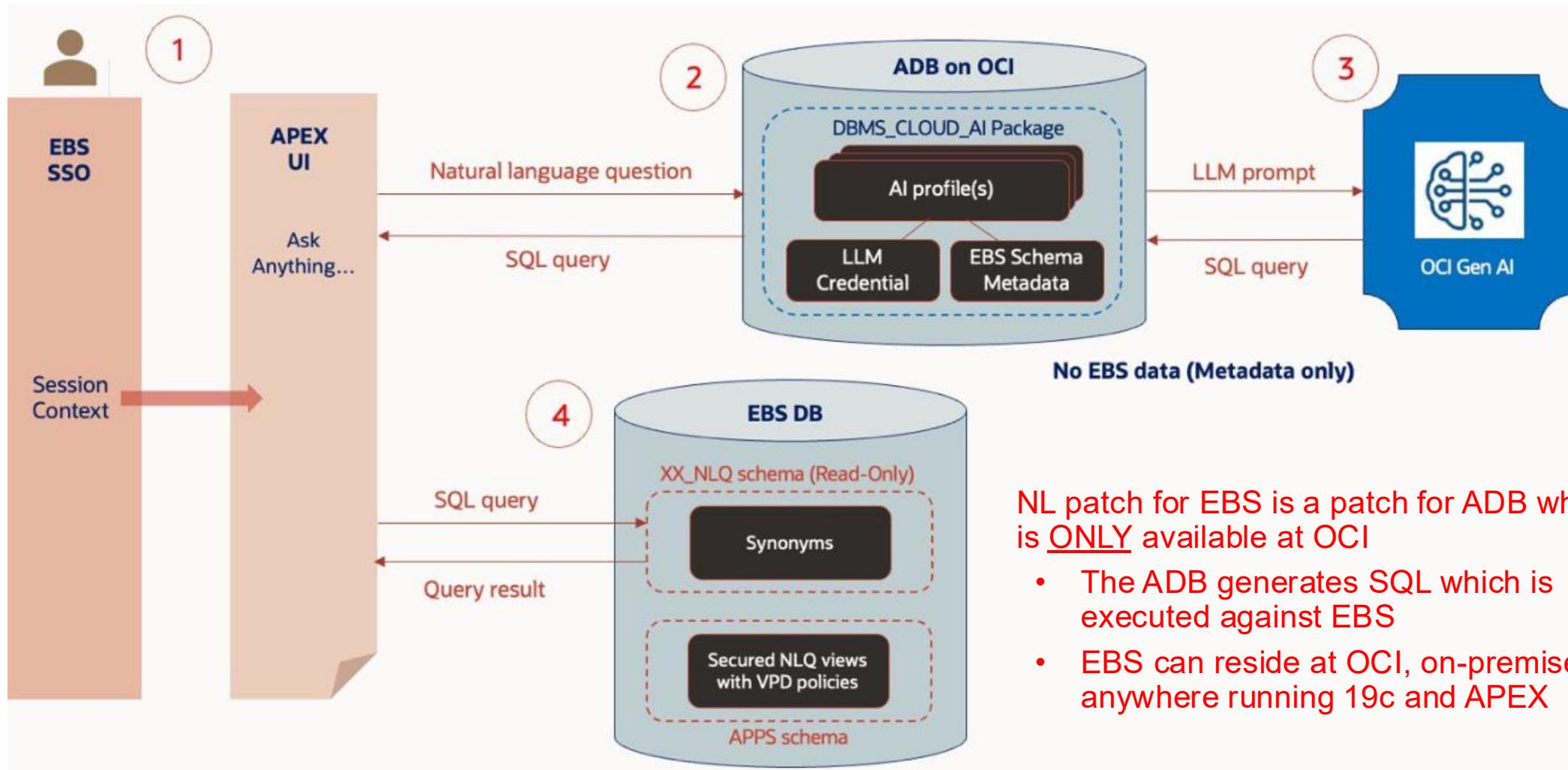
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396911	Released	2024-10-28	2024-10-28	2024-10-28	2024-10-28	0	Yes	Yes	Yes					

All results secured using native EBS security complements of EBS ECC functionality patches

<https://blogs.oracle.com/ebstech/post/enabling-natural-language-query-of-ebs-122-using-oracle-generative-ai-now-available>

# Natural Language (NL) Query DOES NOT Require 23ai



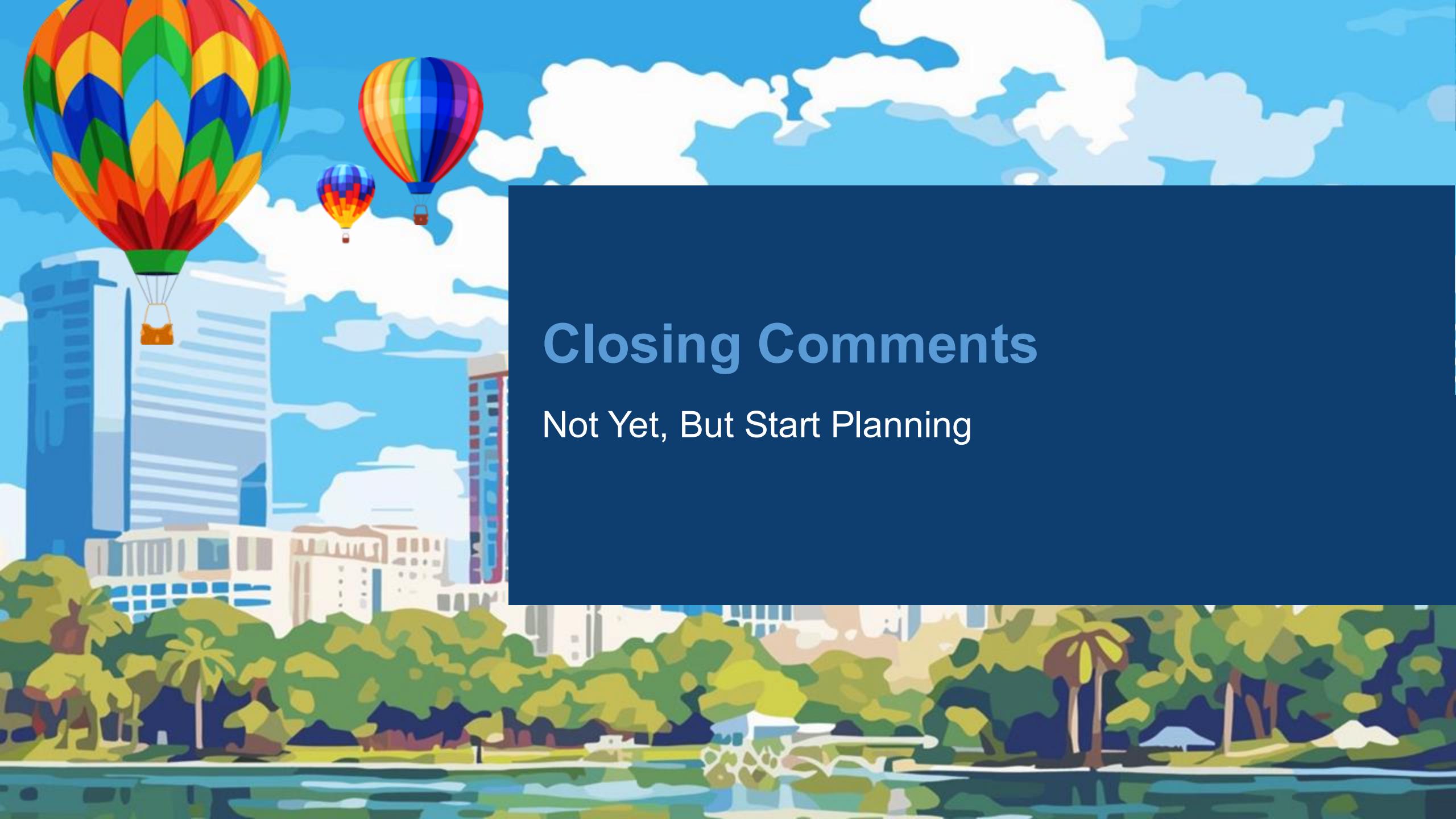
NL patch for EBS is a patch for ADB which is ONLY available at OCI

- The ADB generates SQL which is executed against EBS
- EBS can reside at OCI, on-premise or anywhere running 19c and APEX

# Natural Language (NL) Query Observations



- Only ten domains or subject areas
  - Likely that clients will desire to enhance
- Currently does not support EBS KFF/DFF
- The APEX form shipped is a demo form
  - Does not allow for saving of favorite questions
  - Probably will want to customize the APEX “demo” form
- No reason why APEX could be replaced by or complemented with:
  - Digital assistant/bot
  - Power automation (e.g. MS Teams) front end

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# Closing Comments

Not Yet, But Start Planning

# Don't Wait; Start Planning Your 23ai Upgrade Today



- 23ai is Huge and on a collision course
  - Vectors will change how the database WILL be used
  - Start thinking **TODAY** how Vector search will impact your analytics, reporting, and business intelligence strategies
- 23ai is currently available only at OCI on DBaaS, ExaCS, Exa@client
  - This may change later in 2025
- For EBS customers
  - Upgrading to 23ai upgrade is a when-not-if decision
  - Natural Language Query does NOT need 23ai and can be done today on 19c regardless of whether EBS is hosted at OCI or on-premise; it requires ADB to be integrated with EBS. ADB runs only at OCI
  - Oracle EBS product development will be:
    - 1) Creating and populating new Vector columns for EBS tables
    - 2) Writing new SQL statements to use the new Vector columns

# When Should EBS Customers Upgrade to 23ai?



- **Not Now**

- Interoperability patches for EBS need to stabilize. For 19c, it was only between 19.10 to 19.11 that EBS interoperability patches stabilized for performance and other issues
- No EBS patches are available today from Oracle's EBS product development for *new* 23ai features (e.g. vectors, RAFT replication, shrinking tablespaces)
- Oracle's EBS product development is working hard; things will change **FAST**
- Now is the time for testing, thinking, and planning

- **When?**

- Most likely Q4 2025 calendar will be a good time to start a project
- If you can, accelerate your 23ai upgrade with testing now through Q3

# Thank You For Attending!

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# Q&A

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