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## Oracle Database 19c Installation On Oracle Linux 8 (OL8)

Oracle database 19c is supported on Oracle Linux 8, but you must be running on UEK6 and database version 19.7. The installation will work without the patches, but it will not be supported without them.

This article describes the installation of Oracle Database 19c 64-bit on Oracle Linux 8 (OL8) 64-bit. The article is based on a server installation with a minimum of 2G swap and secure Linux set to permissive. An example of this type of Linux installation can be seen [here](#).

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### Download Software

Download the Oracle software from OTN or MOS depending on your support status.

- [OTN: Oracle Database 19c \(19.3\) Software \(64-bit\)](#)
- [edelivery: Oracle Database 19c \(19.3\) Software \(64-bit\)](#)

### Hosts File

The "/etc/hosts" file must contain a fully qualified name for the server.

```
<IP-address> <fully-qualified-machine-name> <machine-name>
```

For example.

```
127.0.0.1 localhost localhost.localdomain localhost4 localhost4.localdomain4
192.168.56.107 o18-19.localdomain o18-19
```

Set the correct hostname in the "/etc/hostname" file.

```
o18-19.localdomain
```

### Oracle Installation Prerequisites

Perform either the Automatic Setup or the Manual Setup to complete the basic prerequisites. The Additional Setup is required for all installations.

#### Automatic Setup

If you plan to use the "oracle-database-preinstall-19c" package to perform all your prerequisite setup, issue the following command.

```
# dnf install -y oracle-database-preinstall-19c
```

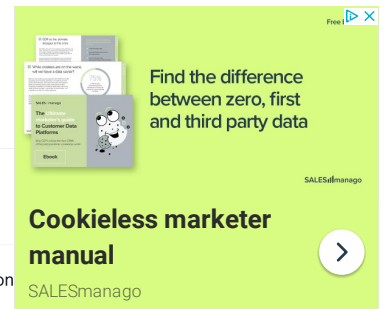
It is probably worth doing a full update as well, but this is not strictly speaking necessary.

```
# yum update -y
```

It's worth running the all the DNF commands listed in the manual setup section. Depending on the OS package groups you have selected, some additional packages might also be needed.

If you are using RHEL8 or CentOS8, you can pick up the RPM from the OL8 repository and install it. It will pull the dependencies from your normal repositories.

```
curl -o oracle-database-preinstall-19c-1.0-2.el8.x86_64.rpm https://yum.oracle.com/repo/OracleLinux/OL8/appstream/x86_64/getPackage/oracle-database-preinstall-19c-1.0-2.el8.x86_64.rpm
yum -y localinstall oracle-database-preinstall-19c-1.0-2.el8.x86_64.rpm
```



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## Manual Setup

If you have not used the "oracle-database-preinstall-19c" package to perform all prerequisites, you will need to manually perform the following setup tasks.

Add the following lines to the "/etc/sysctl.conf" file, or in a file called "/etc/sysctl.d/98-oracle.conf".

```
fs.file-max = 6815744
kernel.sem = 250 32000 100 128
kernel.shmmni = 4096
kernel.shmall = 1073741824
kernel.shmmax = 4398046511104
kernel.panic_on_oops = 1
net.core.rmem_default = 262144
net.core.rmem_max = 4194304
net.core.wmem_default = 262144
net.core.wmem_max = 1048576
net.ipv4.conf.all.rp_filter = 2
net.ipv4.conf.default.rp_filter = 2
fs.aio-max-nr = 1048576
net.ipv4.ip_local_port_range = 9000 65500
```

Run one of the following commands to change the current kernel parameters, depending on which file you edited.

```
/sbin/sysctl -p
# Or
/sbin/sysctl -p /etc/sysctl.d/98-oracle.conf
```

Add the following lines to a file called "/etc/security/limits.d/oracle-database-preinstall-19c.conf" file.

```
oracle soft nofile 1024
oracle hard nofile 65536
oracle soft nproc 16384
oracle hard nproc 16384
oracle soft stack 10240
oracle hard stack 32768
oracle hard memlock 134217728
oracle soft memlock 134217728
```

The following packages are listed as required. Don't worry if some don't install. It won't prevent the installation.

```
dnf install -y bc
dnf install -y binutils
#dnf install -y compat-libcap1
dnf install -y compat-libstdc++-33
#dnf install -y dtrace-modules
#dnf install -y dtrace-modules-headers
#dnf install -y dtrace-modules-provider-headers
#dnf install -y dtrace-utils
dnf install -y elfutils-libelf
dnf install -y elfutils-libelf-devel
dnf install -y fontconfig-devel
dnf install -y glibc
dnf install -y glibc-devel
dnf install -y ksh
dnf install -y libaio
dnf install -y libaio-devel
#dnf install -y libdtrace-ctf-devel
dnf install -y libXrender
dnf install -y libXrender-devel
dnf install -y libX11
dnf install -y libXau
dnf install -y libXi
dnf install -y libXtst
dnf install -y libgcc
dnf install -y librdmacm-devel
dnf install -y libstdc++
dnf install -y libstdc++-devel
dnf install -y libxcb
dnf install -y make
dnf install -y net-tools # Clusterware
dnf install -y nfs-utils # ACFS
dnf install -y python # ACFS
dnf install -y python-configshell # ACFS
dnf install -y python-rtslib # ACFS
dnf install -y python-six # ACFS
dnf install -y targetcli # ACFS
dnf install -y smartmontools
dnf install -y sysstat

# Added by me.
dnf install -y unixODBC

# New for OL8
```

```
dnf install -y libns1
dnf install -y libns1.i686
dnf install -y libns12
dnf install -y libns12.i686
```

Create the new groups and users.

```
groupadd -g 54321 oinstall
groupadd -g 54322 dba
groupadd -g 54323 oper
#groupadd -g 54324 backupdba
#groupadd -g 54325 dgdba
#groupadd -g 54326 kmdba
#groupadd -g 54327 asmdba
#groupadd -g 54328 asmoper
#groupadd -g 54329 asmadmin
#groupadd -g 54330 racdba

useradd -u 54321 -g oinstall -G dba,oper oracle
```

Uncomment the extra groups you require.

## Additional Setup

Set the password for the "oracle" user.

```
passwd oracle
```

Set secure Linux to permissive by editing the "/etc/selinux/config" file, making sure the SELINUX flag is set as follows.

```
SELINUX=permissive
```

Once the change is complete, restart the server or run the following command.

```
# setenforce Permissive
```

If you have the Linux firewall enabled, you will need to disable or configure it, as shown [here](#). To disable it, do the following.

```
# systemctl stop firewalld
# systemctl disable firewalld
```

If you are not using Oracle Linux and UEK, you will need to manually [disable transparent huge pages](#).

Create the directories in which the Oracle software will be installed.

```
mkdir -p /u01/app/oracle/product/19.0.0/dbhome_1
mkdir -p /u02/oradata
chown -R oracle:oinstall /u01 /u02
chmod -R 775 /u01 /u02
```

Putting mount points directly under root without mounting separate disks to them is typically a bad idea. It's done here for simplicity, but for a real installation "/" storage should be reserved for the OS.

Unless you are working from the console, or using SSH tunnelling, login as root and issue the following command.

```
xhost +<machine-name>
```

The scripts are created using the cat command, with all the "\$" characters escaped. If you want to manually create these files, rather than using the cat command, remember to remove the "\" characters before the "\$" characters.

Create a "scripts" directory.

```
mkdir /home/oracle/scripts
```

Create an environment file called "setEnv.sh". The "\$" characters are escaped using "\". If you are not creating the file with the cat command, you will need to remove the escape characters.

```
cat > /home/oracle/scripts/setEnv.sh <<EOF
# Oracle Settings
export TMP=/tmp
export TMPDIR=$TMP

export ORACLE_HOSTNAME=ol8-19.localdomain
export ORACLE_UNQNAME=cdb1
export ORACLE_BASE=/u01/app/oracle
export ORACLE_HOME=$ORACLE_BASE/product/19.0.0/dbhome_1
```

```

export ORA_INVENTORY=/u01/app/oraInventory
export ORACLE_SID=cdb1
export PDB_NAME=pdb1
export DATA_DIR=/u02/oradata

export PATH=/usr/sbin:/usr/local/bin:\$PATH
export PATH=\$ORACLE_HOME/bin:\$PATH

export LD_LIBRARY_PATH=\$ORACLE_HOME/lib:/lib:/usr/lib
export CLASSPATH=\$ORACLE_HOME/jlib:\$ORACLE_HOME/rdbms/jlib
EOF

```

Add a reference to the "setEnv.sh" file at the end of the "/home/oracle/.bash\_profile" file.

```
echo ". /home/oracle/scripts/setEnv.sh" >> /home/oracle/.bash_profile
```

Create a "start\_all.sh" and "stop\_all.sh" script that can be called from a startup/shutdown service. Make sure the ownership and permissions are correct.

```

cat > /home/oracle/scripts/start_all.sh <<EOF
#!/bin/bash
. /home/oracle/scripts/setEnv.sh

export ORAENV_ASK=NO
. oraenv
export ORAENV_ASK=YES

dbstart \$ORACLE_HOME
EOF

cat > /home/oracle/scripts/stop_all.sh <<EOF
#!/bin/bash
. /home/oracle/scripts/setEnv.sh

export ORAENV_ASK=NO
. oraenv
export ORAENV_ASK=YES

dbshut \$ORACLE_HOME
EOF

chown -R oracle:oinstall /home/oracle/scripts
chmod u+x /home/oracle/scripts/*.sh

```

Once the installation is complete and you've edited the "/etc/oratab", you should be able to start/stop the database with the following scripts run from the "oracle" user.

```
~/scripts/start_all.sh
~/scripts/stop_all.sh
```

You can see how to create a Linux service to automatically start/stop the database [here](#).

## Installation

Log into the oracle user. If you are using X emulation then set the DISPLAY environmental variable.

```
DISPLAY=<machine-name>:0.0; export DISPLAY
```

Switch to the ORACLE\_HOME directory, unzip the software directly into this path and start the Oracle Universal Installer (OUI) by issuing one of the following commands in the ORACLE\_HOME directory. The interactive mode will display GUI installer screens to allow user input, while the silent mode will install the software without displaying any screens, as all required options are already specified on the command line.

```

# Unzip software.
cd $ORACLE_HOME
unzip -oq /path/to/software/LINUX.X64_193000_db_home.zip

# Fake Oracle Linux 7.
export CV_ASSUME_DISTID=OEL7.6

# Interactive mode.
./runInstaller

# Silent mode.
./runInstaller -ignorePrereq -waitforcompletion -silent \
  -responseFile ${ORACLE_HOME}/install/response/db_install.rsp \
  oracle.install.option=INSTALL_DB_SWONLY \
  ORACLE_HOSTNAME=${ORACLE_HOSTNAME} \
  UNIX_GROUP_NAME=oinstall \
  INVENTORY_LOCATION=${ORA_INVENTORY} \
  SELECTED_LANGUAGES=en,en_GB \
  ORACLE_HOME=${ORACLE_HOME} \
  ORACLE_BASE=${ORACLE_BASE} \
  oracle.install.db.InstallEdition=EE \

```

```

oracle.install.db.OSDBA_GROUP=dba          \
oracle.install.db.OSBACKUPDBA_GROUP=dba    \
oracle.install.db.OSDGDBA_GROUP=dba        \
oracle.install.db.OSKMDBA_GROUP=dba        \
oracle.install.db.OSRACDBA_GROUP=dba       \
SECURITY_UPDATES_VIA_MYORACLESUPPORT=false  \
DECLINE_SECURITY_UPDATES=true

```

Run the root scripts when prompted.

```

As a root user, execute the following script(s):
1. /u01/app/oraInventory/orainstRoot.sh
2. /u01/app/oracle/product/19.0.0/dbhome_1/root.sh

```

You can read more about silent installations [here](#).

You are now ready to create a database, but it's better to patch the installation first if you have access to Oracle Support.

## Patch Installation (Optional)

The installation of 19.3 will work without applying the patches. If you don't have access to the patches and are just doing the installation for a test system, you can proceed without this step.

For the installation to be supported you need to be on patch level 19.7 (April 2020) or later. To get the patches you need to have a valid Oracle Support CSI so you can download them from Oracle Support. This is an example of applying the 19.7 patch to a clean standalone installation without ASM and before a database is created.

```

export SOFTWARE_DIR=/u01/software
export PATH=${ORACLE_HOME}/OPatch:${PATH}
export OPATCH_FILE="p6880880_190000_Linux-x86-64.zip"
export PATCH_FILE="p30783543_190000_Linux-x86-64.zip"
export PATCH_TOP=${SOFTWARE_DIR}/30783543
export PATCH_PATH1=${PATCH_TOP}/30869156
export PATCH_PATH2=${PATCH_TOP}/30805684

# Prepare opatch.
cd ${ORACLE_HOME}
unzip -oq ${SOFTWARE_DIR}/${OPATCH_FILE}

# Unzip software.
cd ${SOFTWARE_DIR}
unzip -oq ${PATCH_FILE}

cd ${PATCH_PATH1}
opatch prereq CheckConflictAgainstOHWithDetail -ph ./
opatch apply -silent

cd ${PATCH_PATH2}
opatch prereq CheckConflictAgainstOHWithDetail -ph ./
opatch apply -silent

```

For patches on real systems, always read the patch notes.

## Database Creation

You create a database using the Database Configuration Assistant (DBCA). The interactive mode will display GUI screens to allow user input, while the silent mode will create the database without displaying any screens, as all required options are already specified on the command line.

```

# Start the listener.
lsnrctl start

# Interactive mode.
dbca

# Silent mode.
dbca -silent -createDatabase          \
    -templateName General_Purpose.dbc  \
    -gdbname ${ORACLE_SID} -sid ${ORACLE_SID} -responseFile NO_VALUE \
    -characterSet AL32UTF8           \
    -sysPassword SysPassword1        \
    -systemPassword SysPassword1     \
    -createAsContainerDatabase true   \
    -numberOfPDBs 1                  \
    -pdbName ${PDB_NAME}              \
    -pdbAdminPassword PdbPassword1   \
    -databaseType MULTIPURPOSE        \
    -memoryMgmtType auto_sga          \
    -totalMemory 2000                 \
    -storageType FS                   \
    -datafileDestination "${DATA_DIR}" \
    -redoLogFileSize 50               \
    -emConfiguration NONE            \
    -ignorePreReqs

```

You can read more about silent database creation [here](#).

## Post Installation

Edit the "/etc/oratab" file setting the restart flag for each instance to 'Y'.

```
cdb1:/u01/app/oracle/product/19.0.0/dbhome_1:Y
```

Enable Oracle Managed Files (OMF) and make sure the PDB starts when the instance starts.

```
sqlplus / as sysdba <<EOF
alter system set db_create_file_dest='${DATA_DIR}';
alter pluggable database ${PDB_NAME} save state;
exit;
EOF
```

For more information see:

- [Oracle Database 19c : Installation Guide for Linux](#)
- [Automating Database Startup and Shutdown on Linux](#)
- [Oracle Universal Installations \(OUI\) Silent Installations](#)
- [Database Configuration Assistant \(DBCA\) : Creating Databases in Silent Mode](#)

Hope this helps. Regards Tim...

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