

## Oracle Data Redaction

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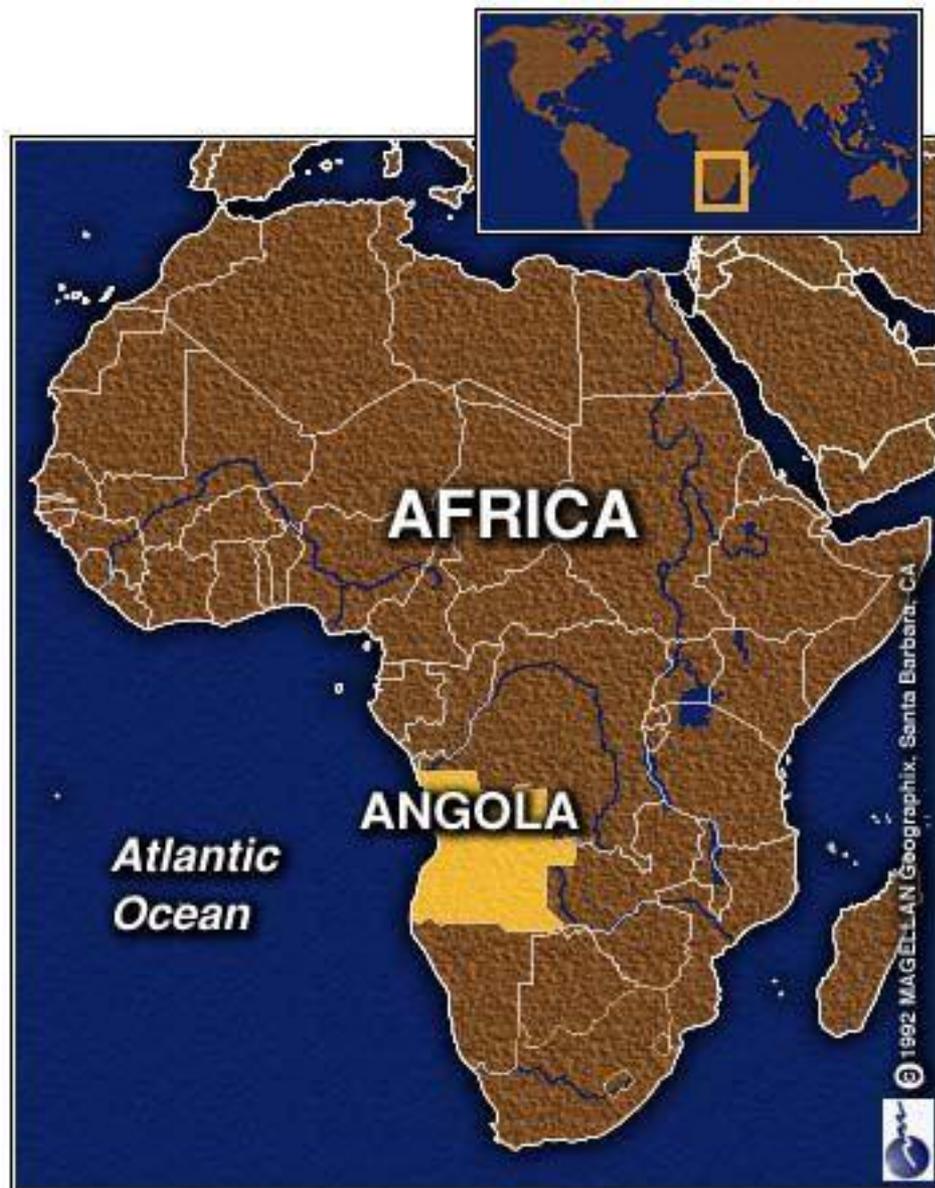
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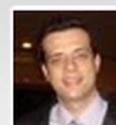
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# Oracle Data Redaction

## Data Redaction

- One of the new features introduced in Oracle Database 12c
- Part of the Advanced Security option
- Enables the protection of data shown to the user in real time, without requiring changes to the application

## Data Redaction

- This new feature has been backported to Oracle Database 11.2.0.4

- Applies protection at query execution time
- The stored data remain unchanged  
Redaction takes place immediately preceding the return of selected data and only at the top level of a SELECT list
- It is not an operation shown in the execution plan

# Policy

```
SELECT rep.object_name as "OBJECT",
       rep.policy_name,
       rep.expression,
       rep.enable,
       rec.column_name as "COLUMN",
       rec.function_type
FROM   redaction_policies rep,
       redaction_columns rec
WHERE  rep.object_owner = rec.object_owner
       AND rep.object_name = rec.object_name;
```

OBJECT	POLICY_NAME	EXPRESSION	ENABLE	COLUMN	FUNCTION_TYPE
EMP	SCOTT_EMP	SYS_CONTEXT('SYS_SESSION_ROLES','MGR') = 'FALSE'	YES	SALARY	FULL REDACTION

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```
SQL> EXPLAIN PLAN FOR SELECT * FROM EMP;  
SQL> SELECT * FROM table(DBMS_XPLAN.DISPLAY(format=>'ALL'));
```

As SCOTT with the MGR role:

```
-----  
| Id  | Operation                | Name | Rows  | Bytes | Cost (%CPU)|    Time |  
-----  
|   0 | SELECT STATEMENT         |      |     3 |    36 |     3   (0)| 00:00:01 |  
|   1 |   TABLE ACCESS FULL    | EMP  |     3 |    36 |     3   (0)| 00:00:01 |  
-----
```

As SCOTT without the MGR role:

```
-----  
| Id  | Operation                | Name | Rows  | Bytes | Cost (%CPU)|    Time |  
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-----
```

## Not to be confused with Oracle Data Masking

With Oracle Data Masking, the data is processed using masked shapes and this updated data is stored in new data blocks. For this reason, Data Masking is more suitable for **non-production** environments.

\*\* Oracle Data Masking is available only with Enterprise Edition database and it requires licensing of Advanced Security.

# Oracle Data Masking – Secure Your Nonproduction Environments

- Introduced in 10G;
- Designed to hide sensitive data during the copy from production to non-production;
- Useful to create environments like Development, Testing, UAT, etc;

# Oracle Data Masking – Secure Your Nonproduction Environments

- Replaces the real data based on masking rules, like: Credit Card numbers, names, phone, address, social security number, etc;
- Compliance with regulatory requirements: (Sarbanes - Oxley, PCI DSS or HIPAA);

# Oracle Data Masking

Production

LAST_NAME	SSN	SALARY
AGUILAR	203-33-3234	40,000
BENSON	323-22-2943	60,000



Non-Production

LAST_NAME	SSN	SALARY
ANSKEKSL	111-23-1111	60,000
BKJHHEIEDK	222-34-1345	40,000

*Sensitive Data Never Leaves Database*

Below are some other features that already existed to help making the data more secure:

- **Virtual Private Database (VPD)** - Allows control access on both row and column levels by dynamically adding a predicate to SQL statements issued against the database.
- **Oracle Label Security** – Allows you to add user-defined values to table records combining it with VPD to allow fine control of who sees what.
- **Database Vault** – Data Redaction does not prevent privileged users (such as DBAs) from having access to the data being protected. To solve this, you can make use of Database Vault.

# Planning on Oracle Data Redaction Policy

1. Ensure that you have been granted the **EXECUTE** privilege on the **DBMS\_REDACT** PL/SQL package.
2. Determine the **data type** of the table or view column that you want to redact.
3. Ensure that this column **is not used** in an Oracle Virtual Private Database (VPD) row filtering condition. That is, it must not be part of the VPD predicate generated by the VPD policy function.
4. Decide on the **type of redaction** that you want to perform: full, random, partial, regular expressions, or none.
5. Decide **which users** to apply the Data Redaction policy to.
6. Based on this information, create the Data Redaction policy by using the **DBMS\_REDACT.ADD\_POLICY** procedure.
7. Configure the policy to have additional columns to be redacted

# Conditional Redaction Examples

- User Environment

```
expression => 'SYS_CONTEXT(''USERENV'', 'SESSION_USER') = ''SMITH''
```

- Database Role

```
expression => 'SYS_CONTEXT(''SYS_SESSION_ROLES'', 'SUPERVISOR') = ''FALSE''
```

- Oracle Label Security Label Dominance

```
expression => 'OLS_LABEL_DOMINATES (''hr_ols_pol'', 'hs') = 0'
```

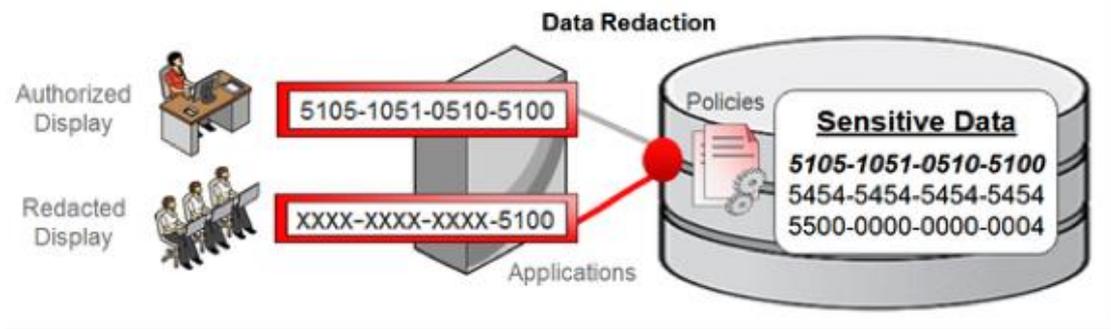
- Application Express Session States

```
expression => 'V(''APP_USER'') != ''mavis@example.com'' or V(''APP_USER'') is null'
```

# DBMS\_REDACT

- **DBMS\_REDACT.ALTER\_POLICY**  
Allows changes to existing policies.
- **DBMS\_REDACT.DISABLE\_POLICY**  
Disables an existing policy.
- **DBMS\_REDACT.DROP\_POLICY**  
Drop an existing policy.
- **DBMS\_REDACT.ENABLE\_POLICY**  
Enables an existing policy.
- **DBMS\_REDACT.UPDATE\_FULL\_REDACTION\_VALUES**  
Change the default return value for full redaction.  
You **must restart the database** to take effect.

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# Redaction Methods

- Full redaction
- Partial redaction
- **Regular expressions**
- Random redaction
- No redaction

# FULL Data Redaction

- **Character Data Types**

The output text is a single space

<b>Column</b>	<b>Real Value</b>	<b>Redacted Value</b>
Last_Name	Smith	“

# FULL Data Redaction

- Number Data Types

The output text is a zero

<b>Column</b>	<b>Real Value</b>	<b>Redacted Value</b>
Salary	8000	0

# FULL Data Redaction

- **Date-Time Data Types**

The output text is set to the first day of January, 2001

<b>Column</b>	<b>Real Value</b>	<b>Redacted Value</b>
BirthDay	01/Dec/1980	01/Jan/2001

# RANDOM Data Redaction

- CHAR Data Types

Redacted in same character set and byte length as the column definition

Select 1

<b>Column</b>	<b>Real Value</b>	<b>Redacted Value</b>
Last_Name	Smith	Txaqw

Select 2

<b>Column</b>	<b>Real Value</b>	<b>Redacted Value</b>
Last_Name	Smith	Wascq

# RANDOM Data Redaction

## •Number Data Types

Redacted in same character set and the length is limited based on the length of the actual data

Select 1

<b>Column</b>	<b>Real Value</b>	<b>Redacted Value</b>
Salary	8000	4321

Select 2

<b>Column</b>	<b>Real Value</b>	<b>Redacted Value</b>
Salary	8000	6789

# RANDOM Data Redaction

## •Date-Time Data Types

Redacted as random dates that are always different from those of the actual data

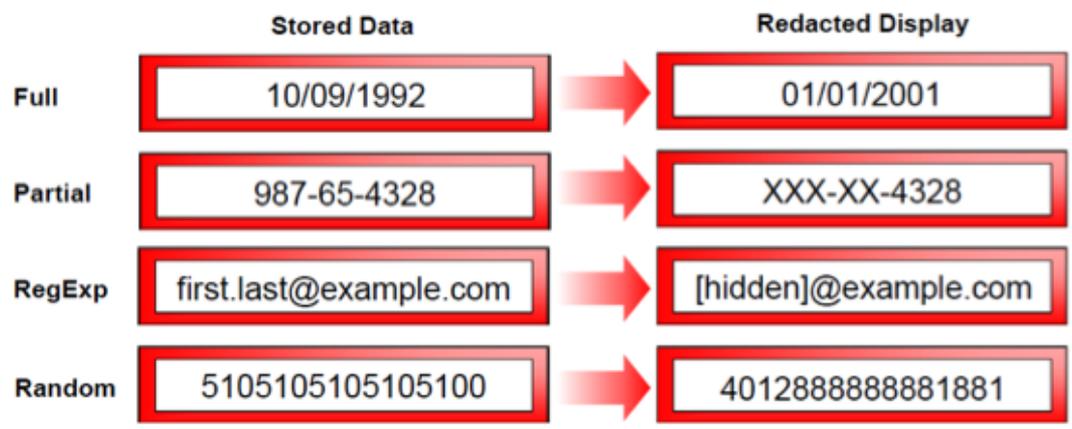
Select 1

<b>Column</b>	<b>Real Value</b>	<b>Redacted Value</b>
BirthDay	01/Dec/1980	10/Oct/1960

Select 2

<b>Column</b>	<b>Real Value</b>	<b>Redacted Value</b>
BirthDay	01/Dec/1980	30/Aug/1932

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# Column data types

NUMBER, BINARY\_FLOAT, BINARY\_DOUBLE,  
CHAR, VARCHAR2, NCHAR, NVARCHAR2,  
DATE, TIMESTAMP, TIMESTAMP WITH TIME  
ZONE, BLOB, CLOB, and NCLOB

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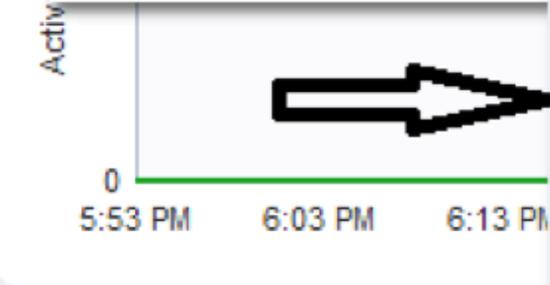
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Status Duration

## Data Redaction

Oracle Data Redaction provides an easy way to quickly redact sensitive information that is displayed in applications without altering the user interface according to flexible multi-factor policies.

### Search Data Redaction Policies

Schema	<input data-bbox="318 806 811 849" type="text" value="%"/>
Table/View	<input data-bbox="318 863 811 906" type="text" value="%"/>
Policy Name	<input data-bbox="318 921 811 963" type="text" value="%"/>
	<input data-bbox="328 992 415 1035" type="button" value="Go"/>

### Data Redaction Policies

 Create  Edit  View  Enable  Disable  Delete

Schema	Table/View	Policy Name	Enabled	Redacted Columns

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## Create Data Redaction Policy: POLITICA\_TESTE

\* Schema  

\* Table/View  

\* Policy Name

\* Policy Expression

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



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## Object Columns

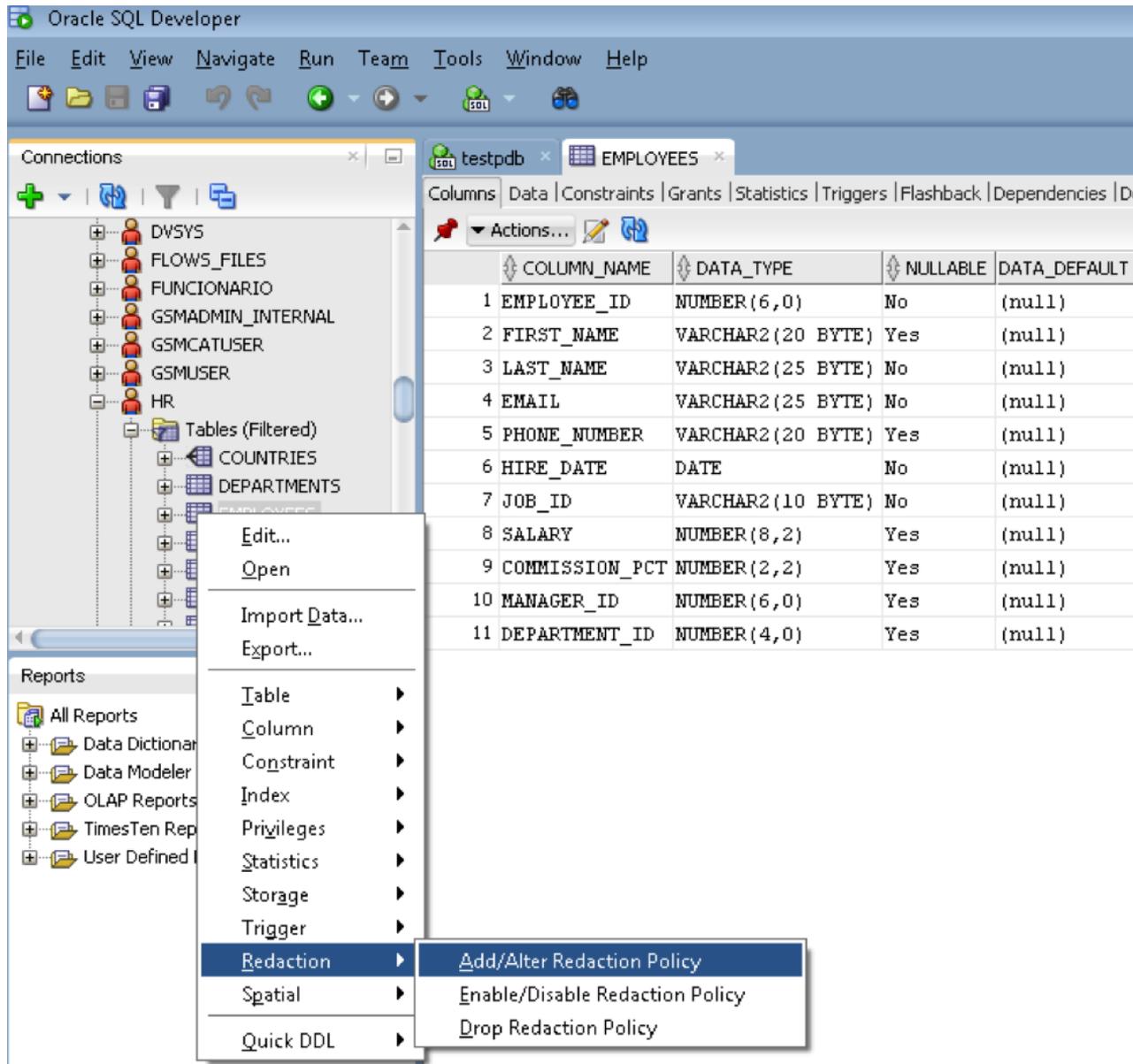


Modify



Remove

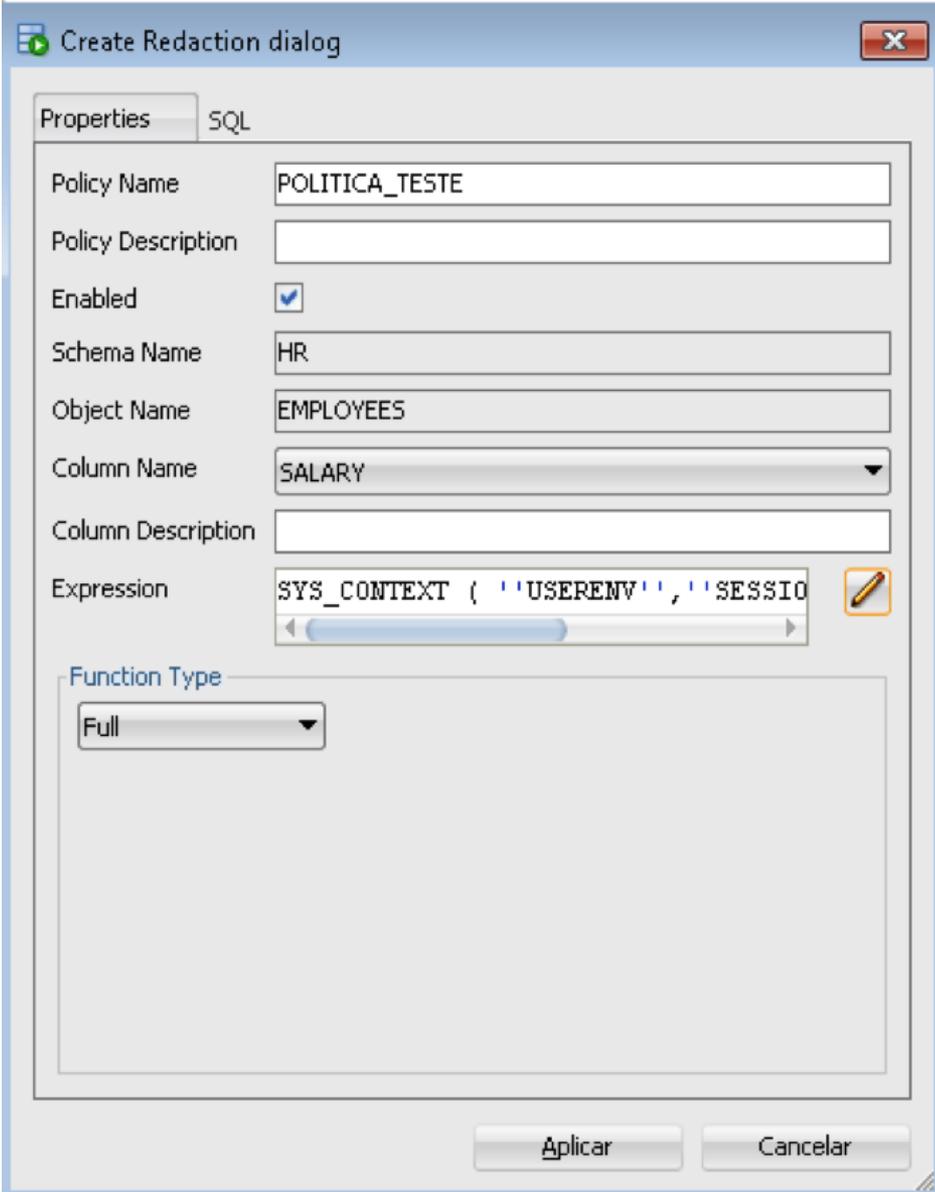
Column	Column Datatype	Redaction Function	Function Attributes
SALARY	NUMBER	FULL	



The screenshot shows the Oracle SQL Developer interface. The main window displays the structure of the EMPLOYEES table in the testpdb database. A context menu is open over the table, with the 'Redaction' option selected, which has opened a sub-menu with three options: 'Add/Alter Redaction Policy', 'Enable/Disable Redaction Policy', and 'Drop Redaction Policy'.

	COLUMN_NAME	DATA_TYPE	NULLABLE	DATA_DEFAULT
1	EMPLOYEE_ID	NUMBER(6,0)	No	(null)
2	FIRST_NAME	VARCHAR2(20 BYTE)	Yes	(null)
3	LAST_NAME	VARCHAR2(25 BYTE)	No	(null)
4	EMAIL	VARCHAR2(25 BYTE)	No	(null)
5	PHONE_NUMBER	VARCHAR2(20 BYTE)	Yes	(null)
6	HIRE_DATE	DATE	No	(null)
7	JOB_ID	VARCHAR2(10 BYTE)	No	(null)
8	SALARY	NUMBER(8,2)	Yes	(null)
9	COMMISSION_PCT	NUMBER(2,2)	Yes	(null)
10	MANAGER_ID	NUMBER(6,0)	Yes	(null)
11	DEPARTMENT_ID	NUMBER(4,0)	Yes	(null)

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Create Redaction dialog

Properties SQL

Policy Name: POLITICA\_TESTE

Policy Description:

Enabled:

Schema Name: HR

Object Name: EMPLOYEES

Column Name: SALARY

Column Description:

Expression: SYS\_CONTEXT ( 'USERENV', 'SESSIO' 

Function Type: Full

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SQL>

BEGIN

```
DBMS_REDACT.ADD_POLICY (OBJECT_SCHEMA => 'HR', object_name => 'EMPLOYEES', policy_name =>
'POLITICA_TESTE', expression => 'SYS_CONTEXT(''USERENV'', ''SESSION_USER'') != ''SUPERVISOR'');
```

```
DBMS_REDACT.ALTER_POLICY (OBJECT_SCHEMA => 'HR', object_name => 'EMPLOYEES', policy_name =>
'POLITICA_TESTE', action => DBMS_REDACT.ADD_COLUMN, column_name => '"SALARY"',
function_type => DBMS_REDACT.FULL );
```

END;

/

PL/SQL procedure successfully completed.

## Operational Activities - No Redaction

- Backup and Restore
- Import and Export
- Patching and Upgrades
- Replication
- **Users SYS and SYSTEM automatically have the EXEMPT REDACTION POLICY system privilege**
- **Data Redaction is not enforced for users connected as SYSDBA**

# Data Redaction and Data Pump

ORA-28081: Insufficient privileges - the command references a redacted object

Use the `EXEMPT REDACTION POLICY` **system** privilege in these cases. However, use it with caution.

Note that the role `DATAPUMP_EXP_FULL_DATABASE` includes the `EXEMPT REDACTION POLICY` **system** privilege

# Data Redaction and CTAS

If you try to `CREATE TABLE ... AS SELECT` (CTAS) against a redacted table you get the following error message: **ORA-28081: Insufficient privileges - the command references a redacted object.**

In order to perform a `CREATE TABLE AS SELECT` operation from a table protected by an active redaction policy, the user must have privileges to see the actual data on the source table

Because applications may need to perform `CREATE TABLE AS SELECT` operations that involve redacted source columns, you can grant the application the `EXEMPT DDL REDACTION POLICY` system privilege.

## Redacted Columns and GROUP BY SQL Expressions

Redacted Columns included in SQL expressions on a GROUP BY clause will fail as follows:

```
SQL> select * from emp;
```

EMP_NO	NAME	SALARY
1	Daniel	702
2	Juca	607
3	Manuel	314

```
SQL> select (salary*1.10) from emp group by (salary*1.10);  
select (salary*1.10) from emp group by (salary*1.10)  
*
```

ERROR at line 1:

ORA-00979: not a GROUP BY expression

## Redacted Columns and Virtual Columns

```
SQL> alter table hr.employees add sal number as (salary*1.10) virtual;
```

```
alter table hr.employees add sal number as (salary*1.10) virtual
```

```
*
```

```
ERROR at line 1:
```

```
ORA-28083: A redacted column was referenced in a virtual column expression.
```

# Data Redaction and Views

- Columns from MIEWS as well as regular VIEWS can be redacted

## Overhead

- It could reach up to 10% of performance impact when using complex Regular Expressions
- Between 2-3% performance impact using other redaction methods

# Hacking

- Never to be considered as a way to protect data from **anyone with SQL access** to the database
- Extremely easy to hack **once you have access to SQL**

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