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Unix Operating Systems Utilities for the DBA

By David Woodard

In some companies, the Oracle DBA and the System Administrator are one and the same, and in others there are teams of both. Regardless of your work environment, knowing how to troubleshoot from the Unix operating system can help you discover problems that you could not find just by looking in Oracle. In this article I'm going to discuss some of my favorite utilities and show examples of how to use them. There are a great deal of useful tools and scripting languages, enough to fill several volumes. In this brief article, I will talk about those I use nearly every day to work with Oracle systems.

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SLOB and DB Time Monitor - Part 1 By Jim Hannan (<u>@HoBHannan</u>)

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SLOB and DB Time Monitor - Part 2 By Jim Hannan (<u>@HoBHannan</u>)

While I rely some on the AWR reports for determining the right amount of sessions, I find dbtimemonitor even more helpful for the initial tuning. DB Time Monitor or dbtimemonitor is another awesome tool created by the creator of <u>Swingbench</u>.

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