

DBcafé change log

Uploaded	Changes
2018-01-17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Version 4.1.5 updates Fixed error ORA-22835 in Panel_04
2016-01-07	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Version 4.1.4 updates Fixed error when using unscrambled CTLFILE6 (requires arg_ACTION=2)
2015-11-04	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Version 4.1.3 updates Fix login error when CTLFILE2 contains RESTRICT=Y and database is queried Small improvements to documentation If not a first-time install please read 2015-10-23 changes to CTLFILE2
2015-10-29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Version 4.1.2 updates Check APP_VERSION instead of JAR file date to avoid time zone issues If not a first-time install please read 2015-10-23 changes to CTLFILE2
2015-10-24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Version 4.1.1 updates Display message when COLUMN_WIDTHS line in CTLFILE2 has too many columns If not a first-time install please read 2015-10-23 changes to CTLFILE2
2015-10-23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Version 4.1.0 updates CTLFILE2 layout changed, redundant column TNSNAME removed IMPORTANT: If you have an existing CTLFILE2 please remove the TNSNAME column from the COLUMN_WIDTHS line and all the instance lines The dashboard no longer uses tnsnames to connect to instances. The only time the tnsnames.ora file is still used, if it exists, is to create the CONNECT strings in CTLFILE2 for you when installing the dashboard for the first time.
2015-10-06	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Version 4.0.7 updates Panel_01_main: increase maximum instances in CTLFILE2 from 99 to 999
2015-06-11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Version 4.0.6 updates Panel_05_sessions: query the view V\$SQLSTATS instead of V\$SQLAREA Panel_06.ALL_Parms: added column max_string_size (12c)
2015-03-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Version 4.0.5 updates Panel_02_sqlplus: put timestamp in sqlplus.log file name Panel_03_query: add UT_alert_log Panel_05_sessions: repositioned timestamp in output file name DBcontrol_CTLFILE6.update.cmd: allows for DASH_hide being relocated DBdash_temp_move.cmd moves sqlplus spooled logs to C:\temp\sqlplus directory
2015-03-05	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Version 4.0.4 updates Panel_05_sessions: Kill button sometimes displayed wrong error message Panel_06_compare: corrected misleading filename on temporary output file DB_jdbc: improved EMSG-009 and EMSG-010 by specifying database where error occurred
2015-02-08	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Version 4.0.3 updates Panel_02_sqlplus clears previous error message after successful login Dashboard moves temp files into sub-directories for better visibility

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dashboard shows number of files on Quit but no longer offers to clean them • Installer displays note about WordPad no wrap when first-time install
2015-01-29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Version 4.0.2 updates • Panel_05_sessions puts timestamp in saved sessions file name • Panel_10_voices announces itself when launched, keyboard shortcuts in help text, Microsoft voice lines not blanked out while speaking
2015-01-21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Version 4.0.1 updates • Improved help text in Panel_02_sqlplus • Improved error messages in console log and in panels • Panel_04 no longer wraps last column in output listing if it doesn't need to • Improved installer messages, launch DBinstall.cmd automatically • Improved installer error handling – when no Oracle client it creates a demo CTLFILE2 so the dashboard can still be displayed
2015-01-10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Version 4.0.0 release • Dashboard uses multiple passes to retry instances not reached (for faster results) • CTLFILE1 removed because panels no longer adjust for non-native screen resolutions • Default Look & Feel is Nimbus, Metal no longer supported, L&F button now Speech
2015-01-08	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Version 3.3.3 updates • Bugfix: Installation script inserts fully qualified hostname and correct service name in CONNECT column in CTLFILE2 • Panel_01: takes timezone into account when checking for newer version of dashboard
2014-11-20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Version 3.3.2 updates • Installer saves and restores mail configuration files
2014-11-14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Version 3.3 release • Panel_01: checks for newer version of dashboard
2014-11-04	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Version 3.2 updates • Batch extracts obfuscate password in error messages written to batch logs • Panel_01: place [auto-refreshed] after [timestamp] instead of after panel message text • Panel_10: improve help text for BUTTONS
2014-09-27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Version 3.2 updates • Bugfix: Batch extracts now accept hyphens “-“ in the hostname • NOTE (10) added to CTLFILE2 to warn that an IP address should not be put in the SERVER column, instead put the hostname
2014-09-10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Version 3.2 updates • Small changes to message texts in the Voices panel • Updated documentation to reflect changes to the web pages Contact and Screenshots
2014-07-25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Version 3.2 updates • Comment about DBNAME added to C:\DIS\DB\DB_install\run\ct\CTLFILE2_databases.ctf • Documentation updated to add the path C:\DIS\ wherever it was missing and a note to explain that it is the default which you might have changed • Corrected wrong directory name C:\BAT in Installation_Guide.Part2.Complete.pdf • Corrected wrong directory name C:\BAT in Installation_Quide.Part2.Quick.pdf

2014-07-24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Version 3.2 updates • The installer was not parsing the tnsnames.ora file correctly when the HOST parameter used an IP address instead of a DNS name. This caused the CONNECT column in CTLFILE2 to have wrong values. • The entry ORACL_R_CONNECTION_DATA was not ignored correctly unless it was the last entry in the tnsnames.ora file. This caused the CONNECT column in CTLFILE2 to have wrong values. • Fortunately someone used the Feedback form to send in their tnsnames file and CTLFILE2 which showed these errors so they could be fixed
2014-07-23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Version 3.2 updates • The DBinstall.cmd was giving "ERROR: FILE ...\ScreenSize.temp.cmd NOT FOUND" when DBconfigure_javapath.cmd contained spaces in the path to the JRE directory. The error was caused by missing quotes in every Jtest.cmd.
2014-07-05	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Version 3.2 updates • A new command DBcontrol_CTLFILE6.update.cmd lets you update CTLFILE6 without requiring a password. The documents and installation video have been updated to reflect this change.
2014-02-02	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Version 3.2 release • Updated documentation for accessibility and speech • Added VOICE and SPEECH settings to DBconfigure_preferences.cmd • Enable speech in all panels, improve messages to sound clearer • Display "Selected row ..." message consistently in every panel • Panel_01: display OS_NAME and OS_VERSION in console window • Panel_03: CTLFILE3 column TYPE values are 1 or 2 instead of TABLE or INDEX • Panel_03_schemas: name all selected schemas in panel message • Panel_04: fixed error caused by \$ in object names • Panel_04: fixed focus so that it no longer moves to Restore button after Descend pressed • Panel_06: bug: fixed missing PDB name in column CDB.PDB when any query is rerun • Panel_06: bug: fixed misaligned headings • Panel_06: bug: fixed variable &schemaname not being replaced by value • Panel_06: bug: fixed Run button errors on non-HOST databases • Panel_06: new: added ALL_DB_Feature_Usage • Panel_10: new: attach voice to 5 different types of speech
2013-10-13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Version 3.0 release • Updated documentation for Oracle 12c and pluggable databases • Upgraded panels for Oracle 12c and pluggable databases • Dashboard tables changed to contain CDB.PDB name • Panel titles show CDB.PDB when pluggable database • Panel_01: replaced column DBtype by PDB, mode and role • Panel_03: added query UT_pluggable_databases • Panel_03: added columns m and CDB and PDB • Panel_05: fixed SQL error in KILL_LOG_SEQ • Panel_06: added column PDB
2013-06-24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Version 2.1 release • Updated documentation for this release

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fully tested on Windows 8 • Java icons replaced by coffee cup icon and tabular icons • Improved Nimbus highlighting in scroll panes and message area • Improved the parsing of tnsnames file in installation script • Changed Unix line breaks to DOS line breaks in temporary files • Panel_01_main: Refresh button right-click for periodic refreshes • Panel_01_main: DB type column shows STANDBY when database is in Data Guard standby mode • Panel_01_main: displays count of temporary files erased • Panel_03_schemas: fixed bug wrong output when panel re-spawned • Panel_04_explore: puts the focus on buttons where it is needed • Panel_05_sessions: columns Gets, Reads, Changes sort properly • Panels 05,06,07: fixed bug in headings when panels respawned • DBconfigure_preferences.cmd includes setting for REFRESH seconds when main panel is running in refresh mode
2013-06-22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Version 2.0 • Complete documentation provided • Installation scripts guide you step by step • Installation can use the pre-installed Java runtime, if it is a compatible version, instead of the JRE shipped with the distribution • At end of installation the runtime directory can be dragged to a network disk and will work directly from there • The SQL queries for Panels 3, 4 and 6 are user-managed external files. This means that queries can be added, removed or changed so these panels can be adapted to your needs • Panels now adjust properly to resizing • Look & Feel of panels can be changed on the fly between “Metal” and “Nimbus” • Improved error handling, pop-ups and messages • Improved Help panels, button grouping and button labels and more consistency across all panels • When an ALL button is pressed in any panel the progress is shown by row highlighting and the scrollbar follows down • Oracle error messages detected by code not by text to allow for different languages • Console output shows copyright and version and is generally more informative • When the main panel is closed the console window shows a prompt to clean the temp files • The Query panel pre-selects user schemas for long running queries while still letting you choose Oracle schemas • The Sessions panel logs Kill commands in a KILL_LOG table • The Compare panel lets you rerun any or all of its queries and see the SQL source for any query • The Tablespaces panel lets you refresh its contents and you can save its contents to a flat file • The Users panel lets you refresh its contents and you can save its contents to a flat file • CTLFILE1 lists screen resolutions for which you want the panels adjusted to display at their best. You can comment out the lines in the file to switch it off and see the difference. • C:\Temp\DASH\DBconfigure_local_preferences.temp.cmd allows you to override configuration settings

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• CTLFILE8_oracle_schemas.ctl lists Oracle schemas so that these can be excluded as needed from user queries. This list is inserted by variable substitution in the queries that need it. |
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