

Stop a high-CPU Oracle process

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When an Oracle background process pins the CPU: detect it, kill the session and prevent it from returning.

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OPERATIONS

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Context

These steps come from maintaining the old development VM and are very Oracle-specific. Use with care on production systems.

1. Show active processes

```
SELECT s.username, s.sid, s.osuser, t.sql_id, sql_text
FROM v$sqltext_with_newlines t, v$session s
WHERE t.address = s.sql_address AND t.hash_value = s.sql_hash_value
AND s.status = 'ACTIVE' AND s.username <> 'SYSTEM';
```

2. Get session data

```
SELECT inst_id, sid, serial# FROM gv$session WHERE sid = 133;
```

3. Kill the session

```
ALTER SYSTEM KILL SESSION '133,9,@1';
```

To prevent recurrence, remove the root cause (e.g. a problematic materialized view).

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