

1. To find out how many DBA directories are created, execute the following:

`select Directory_Name from dba_directories;`

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SQL> select Directory_Name from dba_directories;

DIRECTORY_NAME
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WORK_DIR
DP_FULL
DP_TABLE
DP_SCHEMA
ORACLE_OCM_CONFIG_DIR
DATA_PUMP_DIR
DP_ORIG
7 rows selected.
```



From the above, let us say you want to remove a directory called “DP_Orig”, then the following is what you can perform to remove the directory..

2. To generate a script to remove the directory you like, execute the following:

`select 'drop directory '||directory_name||';' as Drop_Statement from dba_directories;`

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SQL> select 'Drop Directory '||directory_name||';' as "Command2Remove DP Directory" from dba_directories;

Command2Remove DP Directory
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Drop Directory WORK_DIR;
Drop Directory DP_FULL;
Drop Directory DP_TABLE;
Drop Directory DP_SCHEMA;
Drop Directory ORACLE_OCM_CONFIG_DIR;
Drop Directory DATA_PUMP_DIR;
Drop Directory DP_ORIG;
7 rows selected.
```



3. The above command has generated the SQL to remove the directory. You can simply execute the one you like to remove.

`Drop Directory DP_ORIG;`

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SQL> Drop Directory DP_ORIG;

Directory dropped.
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4. Verify Again if the directory is removed...

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SQL> select Directory_Name from dba_directories;
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DIRECTORY_NAME
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WORK_DIR
```

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DP_FULL
```

```
DP_TABLE
```

```
DP_SCHEMA
```

```
ORACLE_OCM_CONFIG_DIR
```

```
DATA_PUMP_DIR
```

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6 rows selected.
```

As you can see, the directory called DP_Orig is removed.

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