Docker
Compose

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docker compose *is a tool for defining and running multi-container Dockerized applications.* ***docker compose*** *uses a YAML file to configure an application's services.*

docker compose – Overview

docker-compose up allows you to create and start all the services composing your application at once. docker-compose works in all environments: production, staging, development, testing, and CI/CD workflows.

Using docker compose is a three-step process:

1. Define your app's environment ('Dockerize' it) with a *Dockerfile*

2. Define the app's services including their docker run arguments in docker-compose.yml so they can be run together in an isolated environment.

3. Run docker-compose up and the *Compose* app builds and runs all your containers using the configuration you provide it the docker-compose.yml.

```
version: '2.0'
services:
  web:
    build: .
    ports:
    - "5000:5000"
    volumes:
    - .:/code
    - logvolume01:/var/log
    links:
    - redis
  redis:
    image: redis
volumes:
  logvolume01: {}
```

Docker Compose - Features

Have many isolated environments on one host	Preserve volume data when containers are created	Recreate containers that have changed	A composition is portable between environments
Because *Compose* uses unique names for each project, the projects run independently of each other. Use –p to give your project a unique name.	When docker-compose up runs, it copies the volumes from the old *container* to the new *container*. This ensures that any data you've created in volumes isn't lost.	*Compose* re-uses existing *containers* if they haven't been changed.	You can use variables in the *Compose* file to customize your composition for different environments or different users.

Docker Compose – Use Cases

Compose has traditionally been focused on development and testing workflows and is typically used in a <u>development</u> environment. A docker-compose.yml file is used to automate testing configurations and dependencies so that workflows are automated and end-to-end testing is faster and easier.

Compose provides a convenient way to create and destroy isolated testing environments for your test suite.