

Lesson 05 Demo 02

Creating User-Defined Bridge Network

Objective: To create a user-defined bridge network for better control, isolation, and communication between containers within a customized network environment

Tools required: Docker

Prerequisites: None

Steps to be followed:

1. Create and delete user-defined network
2. Connect a nginx container to the my-net network
3. Connect the running my-nginx container to the my-net network
4. Inspect the container and disconnect it from the network

Step 1: Create and delete user-defined network

1.1 Use the following commands to create a user network:

```
sudo docker network create my-net1  
sudo docker network rm my-net1
```

```
labsuser@ip-172-31-29-216:~$ sudo docker network create my-net1  
7c0f7f28a03b65713ffa951a5f89671b723689567d61ba3dce3f4a3772d2bd0e  
labsuser@ip-172-31-29-216:~$ sudo docker network rm my-net1  
my-net1  
labsuser@ip-172-31-29-216:~$
```

Step 2: Connect a nginx container to the my-net network

- 2.1 Use the following commands to create a new Docker container named **my-nginx**, attach it to the **my-net** network, and map port 8080 on the host to port 80 in the container:

```
sudo docker create --name my-nginx \  
  --network my-net \  
  --publish 8080:80 \  
  nginx:latest
```

```
labsuser@ip-172-31-29-216:~$ sudo docker create --name my-nginx \  
> --network my-net \  
> --publish 8080:80 \  
> nginx:latest  
Unable to find image 'nginx:latest' locally  
latest: Pulling from library/nginx  
a076a628af6f: Already exists  
0732ab25fa22: Pull complete  
d7f36f6fe38f: Pull complete  
f72584a26f32: Pull complete  
7125e4df9063: Pull complete  
Digest: sha256:10b8cc432d56da8b61b070f4c7d2543a9ed17c2b23010b43af434fd40e2ca4aa  
Status: Downloaded newer image for nginx:latest  
61a64d679f23732a8490ddce8143b8622de0df04e59f494841246d771696fe87  
labsuser@ip-172-31-29-216:~$
```

Step 3: Connect the running my-nginx container to the my-net network

- 3.1 Use the following command to connect the running **my-nginx** container to the existing **my-net** network:

```
sudo docker network connect my-net my-nginx
```

```
labsuser@ip-172-31-29-216:~$ sudo docker network connect my-net my-nginx  
labsuser@ip-172-31-29-216:~$
```

Step 4: Inspect the my-nginx container and check the networks

4.1 Use the following command to inspect and check the network:

sudo docker container inspect my-nginx

```
labsuser@ip-172-31-29-216:~$ sudo docker container inspect my-nginx
[
  {
    "Id": "61a64d679f23732a8490ddce8143b8622de0df04e59f494841246d771696fe87",
    "Created": "2021-01-12T23:04:31.653833757Z",
    "Path": "/docker-entrypoint.sh",
    "Networks": {
      "my-net": {
        "IPAMConfig": {},
        "Links": null,
        "Aliases": [],
        "NetworkID": "",
        "EndpointID": "",
        "Gateway": "",
        "IPAddress": "",
        "IPPrefixLen": 0,
        "IPv6Gateway": "",
        "GlobalIPv6Address": "",
        "GlobalIPv6PrefixLen": 0,
        "MacAddress": "",
        "DriverOpts": {}
      }
    }
  }
]
```

4.2 Use the following command to disconnect the container from the network:

sudo docker network disconnect my-net my-nginx

```
labsuser@ip-172-31-29-216:~$ sudo docker network disconnect my-net my-nginx
labsuser@ip-172-31-29-216:~$
```

- 4.3 Use the following command to inspect the container and check the network:
- sudo docker container inspect my-nginx**

```
labsuser@ip-172-31-29-216:~$ sudo docker container inspect my-nginx
[
  {
    "Id": "61a64d679f23732a8490ddce8143b8622de0df04e59f494841246d771696fe87",
    "Created": "2021-01-12T23:04:31.653833757Z",
    "Path": "/docker-entrypoint.sh",
    "Networks": {}
  }
]
labsuser@ip-172-31-29-216:~$
```

By following these steps, you can successfully create a user-defined bridge network for better control, isolation, and communication between containers within a customized network environment.