

Docker networking is how Docker containers communicate with each other, with the host machine, and with the outside world (internet or other networks).

- When you create containers, Docker automatically connects them to a default network unless you specify otherwise.
- You can also create custom networks to control how containers talk to each other.

### Why is Docker Networking:

- Enables communication between containers (e.g., web server container talking to a database container).
- Defines how and which container ports are published to the outside world.
- Provides isolation and security between containers.

### Types of Docker Networks: Docker has 4 main types of networks by default.

# bridge (default) network :

Bridge network is Docker's default private network where containers on the same host can communicate with each other using IP addresses.

- When you start a container without specifying a network, it connects to this default bridge network.
- Requires port mapping to access containers externally.

#### Reason for Use:

- To isolate container traffic from the host and other networks.
- To allow containers on the same host to communicate securely.

### 2 . host network :

The container shares the host's networking namespace. No network isolation, the container uses the host's IP address and ports directly.

Ports do not need to be published explicitly.

#### Reason for Use:

- When a container needs direct access to the host's network interfaces.
- For applications that require low latency.

# 3 . none network :

The container has no network.

- Container is completely isolated from any network.
- No communication with other containers or the outside world.

#### **Reason for Use:**

• Useful for running containers without network access.

# 4 . overlay network :

Enables communication between containers running on different Docker hosts.

• Used mainly in Docker Swarm or Kubernetes clusters.

#### Reason for Use:

• For multi-host container deployments, such as in orchestration platforms or clusters.

**Note**: You cannot remove Docker's default networks (bridge, host, and none) because they are built-in and essential for Docker to function properly.

### **Understand How Networking Work's - Practically:**

Check the Default Networks which is available by default.

docker network ls

```
root@ip-172-31-90-51:~# docker network ls
NETWORK ID
                NAME
                          DRIVER
                                     SCOPE
32951598f981
                bridge
                          bridge
                                     local
d93579431b0e
                          host
                                     local
                host
fcb54b486c36
                          nu11
                                     local
                none
root@ip-172-31-90-51:~#
```

• when we check with this command shows default networks — bridge, host, and none this are default Docker networks automatically created by Docker when you install it.

### **Let's Understand about Bridge Network:**

**Create a Custom Bridge Network using:** 

```
docker network create my-Network
```

```
root@ip-172-31-90-51:~# docker network create New-Network
d6323d12c488badeee4746b311feab779f7c7260ce3821de932578d3d868c28e
root@ip-172-31-90-51:~#
root@ip-172-31-90-51:~#
root@ip-172-31-90-51:~#
root@ip-172-31-90-51:~# docker network ls
NETWORK ID
               NAME
                              DRIVER
                                        SCOPE
d6323d12c488
               New-Network
                              bridge
                                        local
32951598f981
               bridae
                              bridae
                                        local
d93579431b0e
                                        local
               host
                              host
fcb54b486c36
                              null
                                        local
               none
root@ip-172-31-90-51:~# |
```

### **Run a Container and Attach to the Custom Network using:**

```
docker run -dit --name mypractice --network New-Network nginx
```

- -d runs the container in detached mode (in the background)
- -i keeps STDIN open
- -t allocates a terminal
- --name mypractice names the container nginx
- --network New-Network connects the container to your custom network

### **Verify the Container is Connected to Your Network:**

docker inspect my-Network

```
root@ip-172-31-90-51:~# docker run -dit --name mypractice --network New-Network nginx
Unable to find image 'nginx:latest' locally latest: Pulling from library/nginx
61320b01ae5e: Pull complete
670a101d432b: Pull complete
405bd2df85b6: Pull complete
cc80efff8457: Pull complete
2b9310b2ee4b: Pull complete
6c4aa022e8e1: Pull complete
abddc69cb49d: Pull complete
Digest: sha256:fb39280b7b9eba5727c884a3c7810002e69e8f961cc373b89c92f14961d903a0
Status: Downloaded newer image for nginx:latest
17747f4a81fd26b36478e8fdae47faa0760155a19f1d16ec9388d2a3ff52bb1e
root@ip-172-31-90-51:~#
root@ip-172-31-90-51:~#
 root@ip-172-31-90-51:~# docker network inspect New-Network
      {
            "Name": "New-Network",
"Id": "d6323d12c488badeee4746b311feab779f7c7260ce3821de932578d3d868c28e",
"Created": "2025-05-22T13:16:46.009087955Z",
"Scope": "local",
            "Driver": "bridge"
            "EnableIPv6": false,
            "IPAM": {
                  "Driver": "default",
"Options": {},
"Config": [
                               "Subnet": "172.19.0.0/16",
"Gateway": "172.19.0.1"
            },
"Internal": false,
"Attachable": false,
false,
            "Ingress": false,
"ConfigFrom": {
    "Network": ""
```

#### Let'S know about Host-Network:

#### **Create and Use Docker Host Network:**

Actually, you don't need to create a host network — Docker already provides it by default.

# Step 1: Check Available Networks

docker network 1s

You will see something like:

```
NETWORK ID NAME DRIVER SCOPE abc123456789
bridge bridge local def987654321 host
host local
```

# **Step 2: Use the Host Network**

You can run any container using the host network:

```
docker run --rm --network host nginx
```

### Explanation of Each Part:

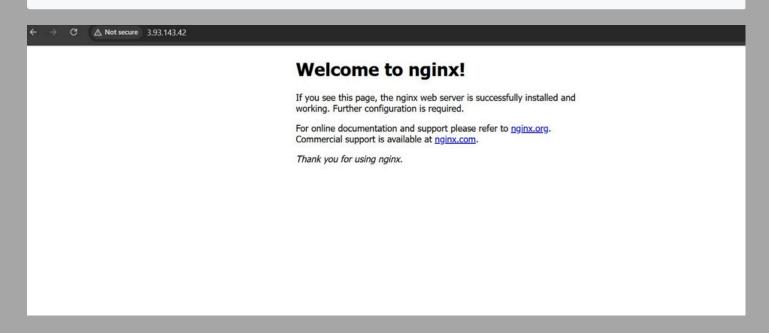
- docker run : Start a new container
- --rm Automatically remove the container when it stops
- --network host: Use the host's network stack (not Docker's virtual bridge)
- <image-name> The Docker image you want to run (e.g., nginx)

This will start Nginx using the host's network, not Docker's bridge network.

```
root@ip-172-31-86-185:-# docker run --rm --network host nginx
/docker-entrypoint.sh: /docker-entrypoint.d/ is not empty, will attempt to perform configuration
/docker-entrypoint.sh: Louking for shell scripts in /docker-entrypoint.sh: Louking for shell scripts in /docker-entrypoint.sh: Louking /docker-entrypoint.d/30-listen-on-ipv6-by-default.sh
10-listen-on-ipv6-by-default.sh: info: Getting the checksum of /etc/nginx/conf.d/default.conf
10-listen-on-ipv6-by-default.sh: info: Inabled listen on IPv6 in /etc/nginx/conf.d/default.conf
/docker-entrypoint.sh: Sourcing /docker-entrypoint.d/15-local-resolvers.envsh
/docker-entrypoint.sh: Launching /docker-entrypoint.d/20-envsubst-en-templates.sh
/docker-entrypoint.sh: Launching /docker-entrypoint.d/30-tune-worker-processes.sh
/docker-entrypoint.sh: Launching /docker-entrypoint.d/30-tune-worker-processes.sh
/docker-entrypoint.sh: configuration complete; ready for start up
2025/05/23 05:21:38 [notice] 1#1: using the "epoll" event method
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2025/05/23 05:21:38 [notice] 1#1: suring the "epoll" event method
2025/05/23 05:21:38 [notice] 1#1: start worker processes
2025/05/23 05:23:20 [notice] 1#1: start worker processes
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2025/05/23
```

# Step 3: You can then access it via:

http://localhost:<port>



# ⚠ Why Use --rm?

- Keeps things clean no leftover containers.
- Useful for testing or temporary services.

 You cannot create another host network — Docker allows only one host network per host (because it's directly tied to the OS network stack).

### Let's Know about Docker None Network:

Step 1: Run a Container with none Network

docker run --name mycontainer --network none -dt nginx

```
oot@ip-172-31-86-185:~# docker run --name mycontainer
dc2cdebd65f7d9bd70aa9819969de0f92f950d96dceb5dffaa888d5aa7688530
root@ip-172-31-86-185:~# docker ps
CONTAINER ID IMAGE dc2cdebd65f7 nginx root@ip-172-31-86-185:~#
                               COMMAND
                                                              CREATED
                                                                                   STATUS
                                                                                                      PORTS
                                                                                                                  NAMES
                               "/docker-entrypoint..."
                                                              8 seconds ago
                                                                                  Up 7 seconds
                                                                                                                  mycontainer
root@ip-172-31-86-185:~# docker inspect dc2cdebd65f7
         "Id": "dc2cdebd65f7d9bd70aa9819969de0f92f950d96dceb5dffaa888d5aa7688530",
         "Created": "2025-05-23T05:50:25.480634456Z",
"Path": "/docker-entrypoint.sh",
"Args": [
               "nginx",
              "-g",
"daemon off;"
           ,
State": {
              "Status": "running",
"Running": true,
"Paused": false,
               "Restarting": false,
```

### What This Command Does :

- docker run : Runs a new container
- --name mycontainer Names the container mycontainer
- --network none Disables all networking (no internet, no ports, no communication)
- -d Runs in detached mode (in the background)
- -t Allocates a pseudo-TTY (usually for interactive use, not needed here)
- nginx Uses the nginx image to run a web server

# Step 2 : Check the network :

docker inspect container id or image-name

```
"Type": "json-file",
    "Config": {}
}.

"NetworkMode": "none",
    "PortBindings": {},
    "RestartPolicy": {
        "Name": "no",
        "MaximumRetryCount": 0
},
    "AutoRemove": false,
    "VolumeDriver": "",
    "VolumesFrom": null,
    "ConsoleSize": [
        44,
        158
],
    "CapAdd": null,
    "CapDrop": null,
    "CapDrop": null,
    "CapOrop": null,
```