



## POSTGRESQL Streaming Replication

Primary Server is postgresql write-read server and Standby Server is read-only postgresql server which also terms as DR(Disaster Recovery), where WAL(Write ahead logfile) or Archived logfile will be getting apply from Primary Server

### Step-by-Step Guide for PostgreSQL Streaming Replication Setup

#### 1. Configure the Primary Server (testserver1)

##### Edit postgresql.conf

Configure the primary server to allow replication by modifying the following parameters in the PostgreSQL configuration file (postgresql.conf):

```
listen_addresses = '*'
```

```
wal_level = replica
```

```
max_wal_senders = 5
```

```
wal_keep_segments = 32
```

hot\_standby = on

- ☐ listen\_addresses = '\*': Listen for connections from any IP address.
- ☐ wal\_level = replica: Set WAL (Write-Ahead Logging) level to replica.
- ☐ max\_wal\_senders = 5: Maximum number of concurrent WAL sender processes.
- ☐ wal\_keep\_segments = 32: Number of WAL segments to retain.
- ☐ hot\_standby = on: Allow standby queries.

### **Edit pg\_hba.conf**

Add a line in pg\_hba.conf to allow the replication user to connect from the standby server (testserver2).

```
host replication replicator 52.187.165.22/32 md5
```

Replace 52.187.165.22 with the actual IP of the standby server.

### **Create Replication User**

Open the PostgreSQL shell on testserver1 and create a replication user:

```
CREATE USER replicator WITH REPLICATION PASSWORD 'replicator_password';
```

### **Restart PostgreSQL Service**

After making changes to the configuration files, restart the PostgreSQL service:

## **Step 2: Prepare Standby Server (testserver2)**

### **1. Stop PostgreSQL Service**

Stop the PostgreSQL service on the standby server (testserver2):

### **Clear Data Directory**

Navigate to the PostgreSQL data directory and remove its contents:

```
C:\Program Files\PostgreSQL\14\data
```

## **Step 3: Take a Base Backup from Primary Server**

On the standby server (testserver2), use pg\_basebackup to take a base backup from the primary server:

1. Open a command prompt and run the following command:

```
pg_basebackup -h 13.67.60.129 -D "C:\Program Files\PostgreSQL\14\data" -U replicator -P -v -R -X stream -C -S pgstandby1
```

- -h 13.67.60.129: IP address of the primary server (testserver1).
- -D "C:\Program Files\PostgreSQL\14\data": Destination directory for the backup.
- -U replicator: Replication user.
- -P: Show progress.
- -v: Enable verbose mode.
- -R: Write recovery configuration (creates standby.signal automatically).
- -X stream: Stream WAL during the backup.
- -C -S pgstandby1: Create a replication slot on the primary named pgstandby1.

If the backup is successful, you will see output similar to this:

```
pg_basebackup: base backup completed
```

## Step 4: Configure Standby Server

### 1. Edit postgresql.conf

On the standby server, update the postgresql.conf file to configure the replication settings:

```
primary_conninfo = 'user=replicator password=replicator_password host=13.67.60.129  
port=5432 sslmode=prefer'
```

```
primary_slot_name = 'pgstandby1'
```

- ☐ primary\_conninfo: Connection information for the primary server.
- ☐ primary\_slot\_name: Replication slot name created on the primary server.

## Restart PostgreSQL Service

Restart the PostgreSQL service on the standby server:

### Step 5: Verify Replication

#### 1. Check Replication Status on Primary Server

On the primary server (testserver1), you can check the replication status using:

```
psql -U postgres -c "SELECT * FROM pg_stat_replication;"
```

You should see an entry for the standby server in the output. Look for the following columns:

- `client_addr`: IP of the standby server.
- `state`: Should show streaming.

Example output:

pid	usesysid	username	application_name	client_addr	client_hostname	client_port	backend_start	backend_xmin	state	sent_lsn	write_lsn	flush_lsn	replay_lsn	write_lag	flush_lag	replay_lag	sync_priority	sync_state	reply_time
7920	16410	replicator	walreceiver	52.187.165.22		54893	2024-10-02 17:28:16.45404+00		streaming	0/5000060	0/5000060	0/5000060	0/5000060				0	async	2024-10-02 17:28:46.577806+00

#### Check Replication Status on Standby Server

On the standby server (testserver2), you can check the WAL receiver status:

```
psql -U postgres -c "SELECT * FROM pg_stat_wal_receiver;"
```

If replication is set up correctly, you should see output confirming the WAL receiver's activity.

