

# Container Network - Docker Host Setup



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This documentation provides a step-by-step guide to create a Docker container that mimics a traditional host environment. The container will be capable of running multiple processes and services using supervisord as the process manager.

#### Features

Nginx: Web server.

MySQL: Database server.

Supervisord: Process manager to manage multiple services.

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### Host-Like Environment Setup

#### 1. Create Dockerfile

Create a Dockerfile with the following content:

```
# Use an official Ubuntu base image
FROM ubuntu:latest

# Set environment variables to avoid user prompts during package installations
ENV DEBIAN_FRONTEND=noninteractive

# Update the package list and install necessary packages
RUN apt-get update && apt-get install -y \
    nginx \
    mysql-server \
    supervisor \
    && rm -rf /var/lib/apt/lists/*

# Add supervisor configuration file
COPY supervisord.conf /etc/supervisor/conf.d/supervisord.conf

# Expose ports for services (e.g., 80 for nginx, 3306 for MySQL)
EXPOSE 80 3306

# Start supervisord to run multiple services
CMD ["/usr/bin/supervisord"]
Explanation:
```

Base Image: ubuntu:latest provides a minimal Ubuntu environment.

Environment Variables: DEBIAN\_FRONTEND=noninteractive ensures package installations don't prompt for user input.

Package Installation: Installs nginx, mysql-server, and supervisor, followed by cleanup to reduce

image size.

Configuration: Copies a custom supervisord configuration file into the container.

Ports: Exposes necessary ports for Nginx and MySQL.

Entrypoint: Uses supervisord to manage services within the container.

## 2. Create supervisord Configuration

Create a supervisord.conf file with the following content:

```
[supervisord]
nodaemon=true

[program:nginx]
command=/usr/sbin/nginx -g "daemon off;"
autorestart=true

[program:mysql]
command=/usr/sbin/mysqld
autorestart=true
Explanation:
```

supervisord: Runs in the foreground (nodaemon=true).

Nginx: Configured to run in the foreground (daemon off;) and restart automatically if it fails.

MySQL: Configured to restart automatically if it fails.

## 3. Build the Docker Image

Build the Docker image using the Dockerfile and supervisord configuration:

```
docker build -t my_host_like_env .
```

## 4. Run the Docker Container

Run the Docker container based on the image you just built:

```
docker run -d --name my_container -p 80:80 -p 3306:3306 my_host_like_env
```

Check the container is running using:

```
docker ps
```

The output will look something similar like this:

CONTAINER ID	IMAGE	COMMAND	CREATED	STATUS	PORTS
30af6e1bfab8	my_host_like_env	"/usr/bin/supervisord"	9 seconds ago	Up 6 seconds	0.0.0.0:80->80/tcp, :::80->80/tcp, 0.0.0.0:3306->3306/tcp, :::3306->3306/tcp

```
my_container
docker exec -it my_container /bin/bash
```

This will open a new terminal inside the container. You can now verify that Nginx and MySQL process running using:

```
ps -ef
```

The ps -ef command is commonly used for system monitoring and troubleshooting to check which processes are running, their resource usage, and the commands used to start them.

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Exit the container using exit command.

## 5. Access Services

### Accessing Nginx Web Server

Access Nginx via curl or wget:

```
curl http://localhost:80
```

If Nginx is running correctly, this command will fetch the default Nginx welcome page.

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Access Nginx logs:

```
docker exec -it my_container tail -f /var/log/nginx/access.log
```

This command will show the Nginx access log. You can replace access.log with error.log for error logs.

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### Accessing MySQL Database Server

Access MySQL via MySQL Client:

Connect to MySQL server running inside the container

```
docker exec -it my_container mysql -uroot -p
```

If prompted for a password, the default password is empty (just press Enter). Once connected, you can interact with MySQL as you would on a standard MySQL server.

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Access MySQL logs:

```
docker exec -it my_container tail -f /var/log/mysql/error.log
```

This command will show the MySQL error log. Replace error.log with query.log for the query log, if configured.

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## Usage

### Managing Services

Inside the running container, you can manage services using supervisorctl:

# Check status of services

```
supervisorctl status
```

# Stop a service

```
supervisorctl stop nginx
```

# Start a service

```
supervisorctl start nginx
```

# Restart a service

```
supervisorctl restart nginx  
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```

### Conclusion

You now have a Docker container that simulates a traditional host environment capable of running multiple processes and services. You can extend this setup by adding more services or customizing configurations as per your requirements.

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Sure! Let's break this down **step by step**, in a **very simple and easy-to-understand way** — perfect if you're just getting started with Docker and Linux-like environments. I'll also fix or highlight any improvements where needed.

## What Are We Doing?

We are building a **Docker container** that behaves like a **regular server** — like your computer or a real machine. This container will run:

- A **web server** (Nginx)
- A **database server** (MySQL)
- A **process manager** (Supervisord) to keep both services running properly.

## Why Use Docker for This?

Because Docker:

- Is **lightweight** compared to full virtual machines.
- Lets you **create isolated environments** for your applications.
- Can run **multiple processes** using something like ``supervisord``.

## Step-by-Step Setup

### 1. Create the Dockerfile

A **Dockerfile** is like a recipe — it tells Docker how to build your container.

```
Dockerfile
```

```
# Start with an official Ubuntu image  
FROM ubuntu:latest
```

```
# Avoid prompts during installation (silent mode)
ENV DEBIAN_FRONTEND=noninteractive

# Update system and install needed packages
RUN apt-get update && apt-get install -y \
    nginx \
    mysql-server \
    supervisor \
    && rm -rf /var/lib/apt/lists/*

# Copy our custom supervisor config into the container
COPY supervisord.conf /etc/supervisor/conf.d/supervisord.conf

# Open ports 80 (web) and 3306 (MySQL)
EXPOSE 80 3306

# Start supervisord (it manages all processes)
CMD ["/usr/bin/supervisord"]
```

## ✓ Easy Explanation

- `FROM ubuntu:latest`: Starts with the latest Ubuntu OS image.
- `ENV DEBIAN_FRONTEND=noninteractive`: Avoids install prompts.
- `RUN ...`: Installs Nginx, MySQL, and Supervisor.
- `COPY ...`: Adds your custom supervisor config to the container.
- `EXPOSE ...`: Makes the ports accessible outside the container.
- `CMD ...`: Tells Docker what to run when the container starts.

## 2. Create the `supervisord.conf`

This file tells **Supervisord** how to run and manage both Nginx and MySQL.

```
ini

[supervisord]
nodaemon=true

[program:nginx]
command=/usr/sbin/nginx -g "daemon off;"
autorestart=true

[program:mysql]
command=/usr/sbin/mysqld
autorestart=true
```

## ✓ Easy Explanation

- `nodaemon=true`: Keeps supervisord running in the front (needed for Docker).
- `nginx` and `mysql`: Tell Supervisor to run both processes.
- `autorestart=true`: Restart if the service crashes.

## ✓ Important Tip:

This config **doesn't secure MySQL** with a password. In real deployments, you'd want to secure it.

### 3. Build the Docker Image

Open a terminal where your Dockerfile is saved, then run:

```
bash

docker build -t my_host_like_env .
```

✓ What this does:

- `build`: Creates the Docker image.
- `-t`: Tags it with a name.
- `.`: Means current folder (where your Dockerfile is).

### 4. Run the Docker Container

Start the container using:

```
bash

docker run -d --name my_container -p 80:80 -p 3306:3306 my_host_like_env
```

✓ Breakdown:

- `-d`: Runs it in the background (detached mode).
- `--name`: Gives the container a name.
- `-p`: Maps internal ports to your computer ports (host:container).
- `my_host_like_env`: The image name.

### ✓ Check if It's Running

```
bash

docker ps
```

You'll see something like:

```
bash

CONTAINER ID   IMAGE          COMMAND                  STATUS    PORTS
30af6e1bfab8   my_host_like_env  "/usr/bin/supervisord"  Up 6 sec  80/tcp, 3306/tcp
```

### 5. Access the Container

Get inside the container like this:

```
bash

docker exec -it my_container /bin/bash
```

Then check if services are running:

```
bash

ps -ef
```

✓ This command shows all running processes, like `nginx` and `mysqld`.

Exit the container with:

```
bash

exit
```

## Access Services

### Access Nginx Web Server

Test from your terminal:

```
bash

curl http://localhost:80
```

You should see Nginx's default page (HTML code).

To see logs:

```
bash

docker exec -it my_container tail -f /var/log/nginx/access.log
```

### Access MySQL

Login into MySQL:

```
bash

docker exec -it my_container mysql -uroot -p
```

✓ Note:

- No password by default, just press **Enter**.
- You'll enter the MySQL shell where you can run SQL commands.

To see logs:

```
bash

docker exec -it my_container tail -f /var/log/mysql/error.log
```

## Managing Services Using `supervisorctl`

Inside the container, you can run:

```
bash

supervisorctl status      # See which services are running
supervisorctl stop nginx  # Stop Nginx
supervisorctl start nginx # Start Nginx again
supervisorctl restart nginx # Restart Nginx
```

Same commands work for `mysql` too!

## Final Notes / Fixes

### Suggestions

- You **should set a MySQL root password** for security: Add this inside the Dockerfile before running MySQL:

```
bash

RUN echo 'ALTER USER "root"@"localhost" IDENTIFIED WITH mysql_native_password BY "yourpassword"' && \
    mysql --initialize-insecure \
    && mysql --init-file=/tmp/init.sql &
```

- Consider using **Docker volumes** to keep MySQL data persistent:

```
bash

docker run -v mysql_data:/var/lib/mysql ...
```

## Conclusion

You just created a **host-like Docker container** that:

- Runs a **web server** (Nginx)
- Runs a **database server** (MySQL)
- Is managed by **Supervisord** (like a mini systemd)

This setup is great for learning, testing, or mimicking real servers without needing actual VMs or remote machines!

Would you like me to package this as a downloadable project or make it more secure/advanced?





explain supervisord and supervisorctl in easiest manner

Absolutely! Let's explain `supervisord` and `supervisorctl` in the **easiest and most beginner-friendly way**. 😊

## 🧠 What is `supervisord`?

👉 Think of `supervisord` as a **baby system manager** inside a Docker container or server.

### 💡 Real-life comparison:

- Like your **school class teacher** keeps an eye on every student 🧑,
- `supervisord` keeps an eye on programs like **Nginx, MySQL**, etc., and makes sure they are always running.

## 🔧 What does `supervisord` do?

It:

- **Starts** the programs (like Nginx, MySQL)
- **Restarts** them if they crash
- **Keeps them alive**
- **Gives you control** to start/stop them anytime

## 🔧 How do we tell `supervisord` what to run?

We use a config file called `supervisord.conf`.

Example:

```
ini

[supervisord]
nodaemon=true

[program:nginx]
command=/usr/sbin/nginx -g "daemon off;"
autorestart=true

[program:mysql]
command=/usr/sbin/mysqld
autorestart=true
```

✅ This means:

- Run `nginx` and `mysql`

- If they crash, restart them
- Keep running them forever

## What is `supervisorctl`?

👉 `supervisorctl` is the **remote control** for `supervisord`.

You can **talk** to `supervisord` using it.

## ✅ Common `supervisorctl` Commands

Command	What It Does
`supervisorctl status`	See what is running ✅
`supervisorctl start nginx`	Start Nginx 🚀
`supervisorctl stop mysql`	Stop MySQL 🛑
`supervisorctl restart nginx`	Restart Nginx ↺

💬 **How to use it:**

If you're inside the container or server:

```
bash

supervisorctl status
```

Example output:

```
sql

nginx          RUNNING
mysql          RUNNING
```

## How It All Works Together

When your container starts:

1. `supervisord` starts automatically → it reads `supervisord.conf`
2. It runs Nginx and MySQL.
3. If Nginx crashes → supervisord **restarts it**.
4. You can use `supervisorctl` to control or check on the services.

## Summary

Term	Meaning
<b>supervisord</b>	The <b>manager</b> that runs & monitors your programs

Term	Meaning
<b>supervisorctl</b>	The <b>remote control</b> used to check or control them

Let me know if you want a visual diagram for this — I can draw one too!



```
root@dbb3deef9015:/# supervisorctl status
mysql          RUNNING  pid 7, uptime 0:01:55
nginx          RUNNING  pid 8, uptime 0:01:55
root@dbb3deef9015:/#
```

explain these with what is pid

Great! You just ran:

```
bash

supervisorctl status
```

And got this output:

```
bash

mysql          RUNNING  pid 7, uptime 0:01:55
nginx          RUNNING  pid 8, uptime 0:01:55
```

Let me explain this line by line in **simple terms**, including what ``pid`` means 🙋



## What Does the Output Mean?

Column	Meaning
<code>`mysql` / `nginx`</code>	The <b>name of the service</b> being managed by <code>`supervisord`</code> .
<code>`RUNNING`</code>	This means the service is <b>currently running</b> without errors.
<code>`pid 7` / `pid 8`</code>	This is the <b>Process ID</b> — a unique number given by the system to identify the running program.
<code>`uptime 0:01:55`</code>	This means the service has been running for <b>1 minute and 55 seconds</b> .



## What is a ``pid`` (Process ID)?

👉 ``pid`` stands for **Process ID** — it's a number the operating system assigns to **every running program**.

Think of it like a **roll number** for each student in a class.

### Example:

- Nginx is running with `pid 8`, so the system knows this exact instance of Nginx is process number 8.
- MySQL is running as `pid 7`.

These numbers help the system (and you) manage or kill specific processes if needed.

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## Why Does `supervisorctl` Show `pid`?

Because:

- It tells you the **exact process** it started.
  - If something goes wrong, you can use the `pid` to debug or stop the process manually if needed.
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## Summary

Your output:

bash			
mysql	RUNNING	pid 7,	uptime 0:01:55
nginx	RUNNING	pid 8,	uptime 0:01:55

Means:

- **MySQL** is running normally, and has been running for **1 min 55 sec**, and its **process ID** is 7.
- **Nginx** is also running normally, with a **process ID** of 8.

This tells you everything is healthy inside your container 🚀

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Let me know if you want to test stopping or restarting a service using `supervisorctl` too!