

## POSTGRESQL BACKREST 4 BACKUP & RESTORE

[https://pgstef.github.io/2018/01/04/introduction\\_to\\_pgbackrest.html](https://pgstef.github.io/2018/01/04/introduction_to_pgbackrest.html) (Pgbackrest)

<https://www.scaleway.com/en/docs/tutorials/backup-postgresql-pgbackrest-s3/> (Mine)

[https://pgstef.github.io/2020/09/04/combining\\_pgbackrest\\_and\\_streaming\\_replication.html](https://pgstef.github.io/2020/09/04/combining_pgbackrest_and_streaming_replication.html) (Pg Replication)

Pgbackrest is a simple, reliable backup and restore system that can seamlessly scale up to the most extensive databases and workloads. pgBackRest implements all backup features internally and uses a custom protocol to communicate with remote systems. Removing reliance on tar and rsync allows better solutions to database-specific backup challenges. The custom remote protocol also allows more flexibility and limits the types of connections required to perform a backup, increasing security.

### INSTALLATION

List the available repo in the yum: **yum list available | grep pgbackrest** OR **yum install list module pgbackrest**

Copy the info and paste it placing yum install in front: **yum install pgbackrest.x86\_64**

Check that it's correctly installed: **sudo -iu postgres pgbackrest**

### CONFIGURE PGBACKREST FOR BACKUP

By default, the configuration file is /etc/pgbackrest.conf. Let's make a copy:

**sudo cp /etc/pgbackrest.conf /etc/pgbackrest.conf.bck**

Then let's configure it. **nano /etc/pgbackrest.conf** EDIT THIS OUTPUT & PUT THE DIR U WANT

**etc/pgbackrest.conf**

Original content before editing	After editing to place my DIR
<pre>[global] repol-path=/var/lib/pgsql/11/backups log-level-console=info log-level-file=debug start-fast=y  [my_stanza] pg1-path=/var/lib/pgsql/11/data</pre>	<pre>[global] repol-path=/home/data/      (where ur backup is found) repol-retention-full=1 repol-retention-diff=1 process-max=2 log-level-console=info log-level-file=debug repol-cipher-type=aes-256-cbc repol-cipher-pass=vnp-1234  [payV2] pg1-path=/home/pg_data/pgdata15  (where pgdata is) pg1-port=1701 archive-copy=y</pre>

Create pgbackrest stanza: **pgbackrest --stanza=payV2 stanza-create** (must log into postgres to perform this)

The repol-path is where your backup directory will be. Inside data u will see archive and backup DIR

Pg1-path is where your postgresql data file directory will be

my\_stanza, here put the name of the db function u want so that when called upon the function name action will occur

**CONFIGURE ARCHIVING IN postgresql.conf file.** This is located in the postgresql data directory

In postgresql.conf look for these:

**archive\_mode = on**

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archive_command = 'test ! -f /home/data/archive/ %f && cp %p /home/data/archive/ %f && pgbackrest --
stanza=payV2 archive-push %p'                                OR
archive_command = 'cp %p /home/data/archive/%f && pgbackrest --stanza=payV2 archive-push %p'
archive_command = 'pgbackrest --stanza=payV2 archive-push %p'    BEST TO USE
systemctl restart postgresql.service
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Ensure you create a directory for the backup and archive you used above and ensure you changed the ownership from root to postgres

Create backup & archive directory: (For DIR= `mkdir /home/data/backup`) (4 Arch= `mkdir/home/data/archive`)

Change their ownership from root to postgres: `chown -R postgres:postgres /home/data`

Give ownership permission: `chmod -R 700 /home/data`

Let's finally create the stanza and check the configuration:

`sudo -iu postgres pgbackrest --stanza=payV2 stanza-create` or login as superuser and run

`pgbackrest --stanza=payV2 stanza-create`

(@my\_stanza replace it with the name u want there)

Perform backup

`sudo -iu postgres pgbackrest --stanza=payV2 --type=full backup` OR

`sudo -iu postgres pgbackrest --stanza=payV2 backup`

Once backup is initiated do not terminate it but use the backup info to know when it stops

Backup info: `sudo -iu postgres pgbackrest info`

Check the stanza configuration: `sudo -iu postgres pgbackrest --stanza=payV2 check`

Differential backup: `pgbackrest --stanza=payV2 backup -delta` for this to work full BK must occur first

RESTORE

Stop the services: `systemctl stop postgresql-15.service`

Log in to postgres: `su - postgres`

Restore: `pgbackrest --stanza=payV2 restore -delta`

Restore: `pgbackrest --stanza=payV2 restore` Ensure to wipe the data directory before using this