

HostPath Volume

Concept



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- b. Create and display
- c. Test use cases
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- mounts a file or directory from the host node's filesystem into your Pod
- Remains even after the pod is terminated
- Similar to docker volume
- Use cautiously when required
- Host issues might cause problem to hostPath

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hostPath - Config

```
# HostPath
apiVersion: v1
kind: Pod
metadata:
  name: redis-hostpath
spec:
  containers:
    - name: redis-container
      image: redis
      volumeMounts:
      - mountPath: /test-mnt
        name: test-vol
  volumes:
  - name: test-vol
    hostPath:
      path: /test-vol
```

HostPath - Create and Display

```
[srinath@master ~]$ kubectl create -f redis-hostpath.yaml
pod/redis-hostpath created
```

```
[srinath@master ~]$ kubectl get po
NAME READY STATUS RESTARTS AGE IP NODE NOMINATED NODE
redis-hostpath 1/1 Running 0 19m 10.240.2.163 node2 <none>
```

```
[srinath@master ~]$ kubectl exec redis-hostpath df /test-mnt
Filesystem 1K-blocks Used Available Use% Mounted on
/dev/sda1 10474496 5389740 5084756 52% /test-mnt
```

Pod running on : node-2

Mount (inside Pod): /test-mnt

Volume : /test-vol (directory on node2)

HostPath – From Host to Pod

```
Host(node2):
  [root@node2 ~]# cd /test-vol
  [root@node2 test-vol]# echo "From Host" > from-host.txt <-----
  [root@node2 test-vol]# cat from-host.txt
  From Host</pre>
```

Pod:

```
[srinath@master ~]$ kubectl exec redis-hostpath cat /test-mnt/from-host.txt
From Host
```

HostPath – From Pod to Host

From Pod

```
From Pod:
   [srinath@master ~]$ kubectl exec redis-hostpath -it -- /bin/sh
   # cd /test-mnt
   # echo "From Pod" > from-pod.txt
   # cat from-pod.txt ←
   From Pod
   # exit
From Host (node-2):
  [root@node2 ~]# cd /test-vol
  [root@node2 test-vol]# ls
  from-pod.txt from-host.txt
  [root@node2 test-vol]# cat from-pod.txt
```

HostPath - Delete

```
[srinath@master ~]$ kubectl delete po redis-hostpath
pod "redis-hostpath" deleted
```

```
[srinath@master ~]$ kubectl get po
No resources found
```

```
[root@node2 ~]# ls /test-vol
from-pod.txt from-host.txt
```

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Coming up...

Demo hostPath