PostgreSQL

Gunnar

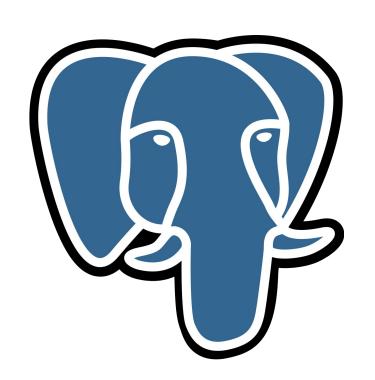


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PostgreSQL Introduction

- PostgreSQL is an open source relational database
- Full features database used in many applications
- In additional to standard SQL operations, PostgreSQL can store and query JSON objects
- JSON objects are stored in a separate JSON data type
- JSON operations are used as an extension to the SQL standard
- Other extensions of PostgreSQL include GIS location data and a text mining module

Installation

To install postgresql on a Ubuntu linux server:

- \$ sudo apt-get update
- \$ sudo apt-get install postgresql postgresql-contrib

Run from docker:

- \$ sudo docker run -d -p 5432:5432 postgres
- \$ sudo apt-get install postgresql-client

Docker commands

docker run: run a docker container

docker build: build docker container

docker ps: see running containers

docker stop: stop running container

docker logs: see logs from docker

Postgresql Command Line utility

Connect to database:

Installed in ubuntu

\$ psql

Running in Docker:

\$ psql -U postgres -h localhost

Get training DB

\$ rm db.sql

\$ wget https://s3-eu-west-1.amazonaws.com/test-meerkat/db.sql

Backing up and Restoring data

Simplest way to backup a database is to use pg_dump, i.e

\$ pg_dump -U postgres -h localhost database_name > backup.sql

This creates a file "backup.sql" with all table definitions and all data

Restore by:

\$ psql -U postgres -h localhost another_db < backup.sql</pre>

Create database and import test data

\$ psql -U postgres -h localhost database name < db.sql

\$ psql -U postgres -h localhost

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psql (9.6.8, server 10.1)

WARNING: psql major version 9.6, server major version 10.

Some psql features might not work.

Type "help" for help.

postgres=# create database database_name;

postgres=# ctrl+d
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Querying

- Standard SQL language
- Tutorial : https://www.w3schools.com/sql/
- Connect to new DB:

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$ psql -U postgres -h localhost database_name
database_name=# SELECT * from patients;
database name=# SELECT count(*) from patients;
```

JSON Query

In test db we have a field "tests". This is a JSON field.

Why?

- Allows data with arbitrary structure.
- No need for schema

JSON tutorial: http://www.postgresqltutorial.com/postgresql-json/

database_name=# SELECT tests->>'bp' from patients;

Exercises

- Find the number of records
- Find the average age
- Find the average age of patients with diabetes
- List all the different types of diseases
- Find all the patients with bp > 140
- Find any patients with diabetes with a glucose value < 7
- Find all patients with visit date after the 5th of March 2018
- Update the record with name="gunnar2" and set disease to diabetes
- Create a backup of your database, create a new database, import the old data in the new database

Export data to CSV

Export data to CSV for analysis in Excel.

COPY table_name TO '/tmp/file_name.csv' DELIMITER ',' CSV HEADER;

Exercise: Copy the patients table to a csv file and open it with excel