

Continuous archiving

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| Create file to hold archived files | example |
| select a location to store incremental archives - database is saved in blocks (default 16MB). Create a folder to store them | <code>mkdir /home/username/shub1env_psql_wal</code> |
| Edit postgres config file | example |
| login to postgres with su account | <code>sudo -u postgres psql</code> |
| locate postgres config file | <code>SHOW config_file;</code> |
| exit psql and edit config file | <code>sudo nano /etc/postgresql/9.4/main/postgresql.conf</code> |
| edit the config file to turn continuous archiving on and to point to your chosen archive folder. Note the "test !" is part of a bash statement to try the command or return false. | from <code>#wal_level = minimal</code> to <code>wal_level = archive</code> from <code>#archive_mode off</code> to <code>archive_mode on</code> from <code>#archive_command '</code> to <code>archive_command 'test ! -f /home/username/shub1env_psql_wal/%f && cp %p /home/username/shub1env_psql_wal/%f</code> |
| Restart server | example |
| restart postgres server | <code>sudo service postgresql restart</code> |

reference:<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/9.1/static/continuous-archiving.html>