

DOCKER STORAGE

Docker storage refers to the management and persistence of data within containers. Containers are stateless and ephemeral, which means any data created within them can be lost when the container stops. Docker provides various storage options to ensure data persistence and manage application states effectively.

Two type of storage:

- 1) **Non-persistent:** data resides with the container , gets deleted when container deleted, By default all container has it.
➔ Storage Drivers: Overlay2 (Default for Most Linux Systems)
- 2) **Persistent:** data doesn't resides within the container, doesn't get deleted when container deleted.
➔ **Types of persistent storage:** Volume and Bind mount

Volumes: Managed by docker and stored outside of the container filesystem. Volume are the best way to persist the data. Volumes can be shared between containers, backed up, restored, and mounted as read-only or read-write.

Creation of docker volume

```
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~# docker volume ls
DRIVER      VOLUME NAME
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~# #let create a volume and attach it to container
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~# docker volume create myvol
myvol
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~# docker volume ls
DRIVER      VOLUME NAME
local       myvol
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~# #volume got create lets attach it to container
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~# docker images
REPOSITORY    TAG       IMAGE ID       CREATED        SIZE
nginx          latest    39286ab        4 weeks ago    188MB
busybox        latest    87ff76f        16 months ago  4.26MB
node           14       1d12470        17 months ago  912MB
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~#
```

Mounting the created volume on to the container and providing the path where I want to store the volume in the container.

```
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~# docker volume ls
DRIVER      VOLUME NAME
local       myvol
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~# # now lets attach this volume to the container
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~# docker run -itd --rm -p 80:80 -v myvol:/usr/share/nginx/html --name nginx_vol nginx
61f8246dd6ec0592a7e02df4236cbf0cb7927b179bd1cb9
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~# docker ps
CONTAINER ID   IMAGE     COMMAND                  CREATED        STATUS        PORTS
NAMES
c1e61         nginx    "/docker-entrypoint..." 5 seconds ago  Up 5 seconds  0.0.0.0:80->80/tcp, :::80->80/tcp
nginx_vol
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~#
```

see here, the volume i created (myvol) is attached to the container at a specific place where you need to store the data in the container

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Using Docker inspect we can check volume type that mounted onto the container

```
root@manoj:~#  
root@manoj:~# # now lets confirm that the volume is attached or not  
root@manoj:~#  
root@manoj:~# docker inspect nginx_vol
```

```
    },  
    "Name": "overlay2"  
  },  
  "Mounts": [  
    {  
      "Type": "volume",  
      "Name": "myvol",  
      "Source": "/var/lib/docker/volumes/myvol/_data",  
      "Destination": "/usr/share/nginx/html",  
      "Driver": "local",  
      "Mode": "z",  
      "RW": true,  
      "Propagation": ""  
    }  
  ]  
}
```

we can see here, the created volume got attached to the container. we have the path, where the data will be stored in the host

and the path on the container where the data will be store

Location where data will be stored In the Host: **/var/lib/docker/volumes/** and I created a file in host location and we can see that same data is present in the container location also

```
root@manoj:~# cd /var/lib/docker  
root@manoj:/var/lib/docker# ls  
buildkit containers engine-id image network overlay2 plugins runtimes swarm tmp volumes  
root@manoj:/var/lib/docker# cd volumes  
root@manoj:/var/lib/docker/volumes# ls  
backingFsBlockDev metadata.db myvol  
root@manoj:/var/lib/docker/volumes# cd myvol  
root@manoj:/var/lib/docker/volumes/myvol# ls  
_data  
root@manoj:/var/lib/docker/volumes/myvol# cd _data  
root@manoj:/var/lib/docker/volumes/myvol/_data# ls  
50x.html index.html  
root@manoj:/var/lib/docker/volumes/myvol/_data# #now let me create a file on source and lets check on the container data is added or not  
root@manoj:/var/lib/docker/volumes/myvol/_data# touch imp.txt  
root@manoj:/var/lib/docker/volumes/myvol/_data# vim imp.txt  
root@manoj:/var/lib/docker/volumes/myvol/_data# cat imp.txt  
hello this file is from the host  
root@manoj:/var/lib/docker/volumes/myvol/_data# cd  
root@manoj:~# # now lets go into the container and check for the file that i created now  
root@manoj:~# docker exec -it nginx_vol bash  
root@0fadd04e1e61:/# ls  
bin dev docker-entrypoint.d etc home lib64 mnt proc run srv tmp var  
boot docker-entrypoint.d lib media opt root sbin sys usr  
root@0fadd04e1e61:/#  
root@0fadd04e1e61:/# cd /usr/share/nginx/html  
root@0fadd04e1e61:/usr/share/nginx/html#  
root@0fadd04e1e61:/usr/share/nginx/html# ls  
50x.html imp.txt index.html  
root@0fadd04e1e61:/usr/share/nginx/html# cat imp.txt  
hello this file is from the host  
root@0fadd04e1e61:/usr/share/nginx/html#  
root@0fadd04e1e61:/usr/share/nginx/html# # we can see the file that i created on host is present inside the container  
root@0fadd04e1e61:/usr/share/nginx/html#
```

location where data is stored in the host

location where data is stored inside the container and we can see the file that we created on host present inside the container also

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I will delete the docker container and see can we still get our data

```
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~# docker ps
CONTAINER ID   IMAGE     COMMAND                  CREATED        STATUS        PORTS                               NAMES
0fadd04e1e61   nginx    "/docker-entrypoint..." 24 minutes ago Up 24 minutes  0.0.0.0:80->80/tcp, :::80->80/tcp   nginx_vol

root@manoj:~# # now let me delete the container and check can i access the data when i create a new container with the same image
root@manoj:~# docker stop nginx_vol
nginx_vol
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~# docker ps
CONTAINER ID   IMAGE     COMMAND                  CREATED        STATUS        PORTS                               NAMES
root@manoj:~# docker ps -a
CONTAINER ID   IMAGE     COMMAND                  CREATED        STATUS        PORTS                               NAMES
root@manoj:~# # we can see i don't have any running container
root@manoj:~# # let me create a new container
```

Creating the new container and mounting the volume that we created earlier.

```
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~# docker run -itd --rm -p 80:80 -v myvol:/usr/share/nginx/html --name nginx_vol_2 nginx
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~# docker ps
CONTAINER ID   IMAGE     COMMAND                  CREATED        STATUS        PORTS                               NAMES
9803f96a      nginx    "/docker-entrypoint..." 5 seconds ago  Up 4 seconds  0.0.0.0:80->80/tcp, :::80->80/tcp   nginx_vol_2

root@manoj:~# # new container got created, now lets confirm the volume is attached to the container
root@manoj:~# docker inspect nginx_vol_2
```

We can verify using docker inspect that volume got attached to the container.

```
    "WorkDir": "/var/lib/docker/overlay2/06b4a3b5ddd5ac390220ec8aa144",
  },
  "Name": "overlay2"
},
{
  "Mounts": [
    {
      "Type": "volume",
      "Name": "myvol",
      "Source": "/var/lib/docker/volumes/myvol/_data",
      "Destination": "/usr/share/nginx/html",
      "Driver": "local",
      "Mode": "z",
      "RW": true,
      "Propagation": ""
    }
  ]
}
```

Now lets verify the files are still present or not. we can see that files are still present in the host, even after deleting the container.

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```
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~# #now lets verfiy the file is present or not
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~# docker exec -it nginx_vol_2 bash
root@dd6d9803f96a:/#
root@dd6d9803f96a:/# cd /usr/share/nginx/html
root@dd6d9803f96a:/usr/share/nginx/html#
root@dd6d9803f96a:/usr/share/nginx/html# ls
50x.html imp.txt index.html
root@dd6d9803f96a:/usr/share/nginx/html#
root@dd6d9803f96a:/usr/share/nginx/html#
root@dd6d9803f96a:/usr/share/nginx/html# # we can see the file present inside the new container also
root@dd6d9803f96a:/usr/share/nginx/html#
root@dd6d9803f96a:/usr/share/nginx/html# cat imp.txt
hello this file is from the host
root@dd6d9803f96a:/usr/share/nginx/html#
root@dd6d9803f96a:/usr/share/nginx/html#
root@dd6d9803f96a:/usr/share/nginx/html#
```

Docker container also holds the files inside the container.

```
root@dd6d9803f96a:/usr/share/nginx/html#
root@dd6d9803f96a:/usr/share/nginx/html#
root@dd6d9803f96a:/usr/share/nginx/html# # now lets check the can we access the file created inside the container from the host
root@dd6d9803f96a:/usr/share/nginx/html#
root@dd6d9803f96a:/usr/share/nginx/html#
root@dd6d9803f96a:/usr/share/nginx/html# ls
50x.html imp.txt index.html
root@dd6d9803f96a:/usr/share/nginx/html#
root@dd6d9803f96a:/usr/share/nginx/html# touch container_file.txt
root@dd6d9803f96a:/usr/share/nginx/html#
root@dd6d9803f96a:/usr/share/nginx/html# ls
50x.html container_file.txt imp.txt index.html
root@dd6d9803f96a:/usr/share/nginx/html#
root@dd6d9803f96a:/usr/share/nginx/html# cd
root@dd6d9803f96a:/# exit
exit
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~# cd /var/lib/docker/volumes/myvol/_data
root@manoj:/var/lib/docker/volumes/myvol/_data#
root@manoj:/var/lib/docker/volumes/myvol/_data# ls
50x.html container_file.txt imp.txt index.html
root@manoj:/var/lib/docker/volumes/myvol/_data#
root@manoj:/var/lib/docker/volumes/myvol/_data# # we can see the file present in the host location also
```

Remove the docker volume

```
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~# docker ps
CONTAINER ID   IMAGE     COMMAND                  CREATED        STATUS        PORTS                               NAMES
dd6d9803f96a   nginx    "/docker-entrypoint..." 14 minutes ago Up 14 minutes 0.0.0.0:80->80/tcp, :::80->80/tcp  nginx_vol_2
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~# docker stop nginx_vol_2
nginx_vol_2
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~# docker ps
CONTAINER ID   IMAGE     COMMAND                  CREATED        STATUS        PORTS                               NAMES
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~# docker volume ls
DRIVER    VOLUME NAME
local     myvol
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~# docker volume rm myvol
myvol
root@manoj:~# docker volume ls
DRIVER    VOLUME NAME
root@manoj:~# cd /var/lib/docker/volumes/
root@manoj:/var/lib/docker/volumes# ls
backingFsBlockDev  metadata.db
root@manoj:/var/lib/docker/volumes#
```

we can see volume got remove completely from docker container and host

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Bind Mount: Bind mounts allow containers to access specific directories on the host's filesystem, outside the Docker-managed area. Ideal for development environments where you need real-time access to host files.

Creating the director to mount on the container.

```
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~# # now lets create bind mount and attach it to container
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~# ls
aws demo_project docker_compose_files snap
root@manoj:~# mkdir my_bind_mount_vol
root@manoj:~# ls
aws demo_project docker_compose_files my_bind_mount_vol snap
root@manoj:~# docker images
REPOSITORY TAG IMAGE ID CREATED SIZE
nginx latest 39286ab1 4 weeks ago 188MB
busybox latest 87ff76f1 16 months ago 4.26MB
node 14 1d12470 17 months ago 912MB
root@manoj:~# docker run -itd --rm -p 80:80 -v /root/my_bind_mount_vol:/usr/share/nginx/html --name nginx_bind nginx
39e96b396c2d5a5f6ad46f75c9b5d6c7952ee4ef6e31979
root@manoj:~# docker ps
CONTAINER ID IMAGE COMMAND CREATED STATUS PORTS NAMES
410acfd7239e nginx "/docker-entrypoint..." 8 seconds ago Up 8 seconds 0.0.0.0:80->80/tcp, :::80->80/tcp nginx_bind
root@manoj:~#
```

I need to add the data inside this directory which will acts as bind mount volume

creating the bind mount and attaching the folder to a container which will acts as data store place

Now we can see here type of mount changes to bind, this show that we mounted bind volume onto the docker container.

Even we can see the source location present on the host and Destination location present on the container here.

```
{
  "Name": "overlay2"
},
"Mounts": [
  {
    "Type": "bind",
    "Source": "/root/my_bind_mount_vol",
    "Destination": "/usr/share/nginx/html",
    "Mode": "",
    "RW": true,
    "Propagation": "rprivate"
  }
],
"Config": {
```

we can see that TYPE changed from volume to bind

path of the directory present in the host that you need to mount on the container

path where you need to store the directory or data in the container

Now let me add file in the host location and check can we see same file in docker bind mount location also.

```
root@manoj:~# docker ps
CONTAINER ID IMAGE COMMAND CREATED STATUS PORTS NAMES
410acfd7239e nginx "/docker-entrypoint..." 11 minutes ago Up 11 minutes 0.0.0.0:80->80/tcp, :::80->80/tcp nginx_bind
root@manoj:~# docker exec -it nginx_bind bash
root@410acfd7239e:/#
root@410acfd7239e:/# cd /usr/share/nginx/html
root@410acfd7239e:/usr/share/nginx/html# ls
root@410acfd7239e:/usr/share/nginx/html# # we can see there is no data present inside the container right now let me add few files from host
root@410acfd7239e:/usr/share/nginx/html# ecit
bash: ecit: command not found
root@410acfd7239e:/usr/share/nginx/html# exit
exit
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~# ls
aws demo_project docker_compose_files my_bind_mount_vol snap
root@manoj:~# cd my_bind_mount_vol
root@manoj:~/my_bind_mount_vol# ls
root@manoj:~/my_bind_mount_vol# vim index.html
root@manoj:~/my_bind_mount_vol# ls
index.html
root@manoj:~/my_bind_mount_vol# cd
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~# docker exec -it nginx_bind bash
root@410acfd7239e:/# cd /usr/share/nginx/html
root@410acfd7239e:/usr/share/nginx/html# ls
index.html
root@410acfd7239e:/usr/share/nginx/html# # we can see that file is added to the container form the host location
```

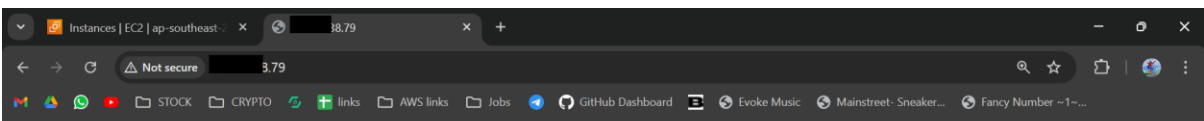
there is no files in the container

adding the files into the container from host location

files added into the container at specified place

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We can see that, I an access the data from the bind mount location



hello this file is add from the host to docker container using bind mount

Deleted the current container and built new container to check still can we access the data present in bind mount directory.

```

root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~# # let me delete the container and create new container and check can we access the data
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~# docker ps
CONTAINER ID   IMAGE      COMMAND                  CREATED        STATUS        PORTS                               NAMES
17239e        nginx     "/docker-entrypoint..." 30 minutes ago Up 30 minutes 0.0.0.0:80->80/tcp, :::80->80/tcp  nginx_bind

root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~# docker stop nginx_bind
nginx_bind
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~# docker ps
CONTAINER ID   IMAGE      COMMAND                  CREATED        STATUS        PORTS                               NAMES
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~# docker run -itd --rm -p 80:80 -v /root/my_bind_mount_vol:/usr/share/nginx/html --name new_nginx_bind nginx
3f4ea26ae49585e80ea124b3d3bd193bf00ebfde1c
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~# docker exec -it new_nginx_bind bash
root@e2d317:~#
root@e2d317:~# cd /usr/share/nginx/html
root@e2d317:/usr/share/nginx/html#
root@e2d317:/usr/share/nginx/html# ls
imp.txt index.html
root@e2d317:/usr/share/nginx/html# # we can access the data from the bind mount volume with a new container
root@e2d317:/usr/share/nginx/html#
root@e2d317:/usr/share/nginx/html#

```

And we can see still I can access the data, if a bind mount directory on the host is deleted, the container will lose access to the data in that directory. The container will still run, but attempts to read or write to the bind-mounted path will fail or result in an empty directory.

```

root@410acf: e:/usr/share/nginx/html#
root@410acf: e:/usr/share/nginx/html#
root@410acf: e:/usr/share/nginx/html# # now lets create file in container and check at host location is it created or not
root@410acf: e:/usr/share/nginx/html# touch imp.txt
root@410acf: e:/usr/share/nginx/html# ls
imp.txt index.html
root@410acf: e:/usr/share/nginx/html#
root@410acf: e:/usr/share/nginx/html# exit
exit
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~# ls
aws_demo_project docker_compose_files my_bind_mount_vol snap
root@manoj:~#
root@manoj:~# cd my_bind_mount_vol
root@manoj:~/my_bind_mount_vol#
root@manoj:~/my_bind_mount_vol# ls
imp.txt index.html
root@manoj:~/my_bind_mount_vol#
root@manoj:~/my_bind_mount_vol# # we can see file got add to the bind mount volume directory in the host location

```