

Connect EF Postgre Sql;

<https://stackoverflow.com/questions/35570400/postgresql-with-ef6-creation-of-ddex-is-failed>

Install **Npgsql**, to work between **Entity Framework** to **PostgreSQL**:

1. Download and install the **Setup_NpgsqlDdexProvider.exe** from <https://github.com/npgsql/npgsql/releases>.
2. Open Visual-Studio, click on the tab: **TOOLS -> Setup Npgsql DbProviderFactories**. A window will open, you need to click OK.
3. **Close Visual-Studio** and open as **administrator** the two **machine.config** files of .NET with notepad.
There are two file that we need to edit, you can find the file at the paths:

- C:\Windows\Microsoft.NET\Framework\v4.0.30319\Config\machine.config
- C:\Windows\Microsoft.NET\Framework64\v4.0.30319\Config\machine.config

Add the flowing element to the files:

```
<system.data>
<DbProviderFactories>
  <remove invariant="Npgsql"/>
  <add name="Npgsql Data Provider"
    invariant="Npgsql"
    description=".Net Data Provider for PostgreSQL"
    type="Npgsql.NpgsqlFactory, Npgsql, Culture=neutral, PublicKeyToken=5d8b90d52f46fda7"
    support="FF" />
</DbProviderFactories>
</system.data>
```

4. Reopen Visual-Studio at the wanted project.
5. Install Entity Framework through Nuget.
6. Open the **Package Manager Console** and insert the command:
`Install-Package EntityFramework6.Npgsql`

Check that the wanted DLL are references, like so:

If not add the DLL manually. The sopoese to be at the paths:

- C:\Users\YOURCOMPUTERNAME\documents\visual studio 2015\Projects\PostgreSqlVsEfwDemo\packages\Npgsql.3.0.5\lib\net45\Npgsql.dll
- C:\Users\ YOURCOMPUTERNAME\documents\visual studio 2015\Projects\PostgreSqlVsEfwDemo\packages\EntityFramework6.Npgsql.3.0.5\lib\net45\EntityFramework6.Npgsql.dll

7. Open the App.config\Web.config and add two elements:
 - The provider element at entityFramework -> providers. as so:
 - The provider element at DbProviderFactories. as so:

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• <DbProviderFactories>
• <remove invariant="Npgsql" />
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• <add name="Npgsql Data Provider" invariant="Npgsql" description=".Net Data Provider for PostgreSQL" type="Npgsql.NpgsqlFactory,
  Npgsql, Culture=neutral, PublicKeyToken=5d8b90d52f46fda7" support="FF" />
• </DbProviderFactories>
```

If the <system.data> element isn't exist, add it all.

8. Now lets add **Entity Data Model** like so:
 - Select "EF Designer from database"

- Click on "New Connection"
- Choose the "PostgreSQL Database" as the Data source:
- Filled the fields:
 - HOST
 - USERNAME
 - PASSWORD
 - PORT
 - DATABASE (fill this field last.)

9. Click on "Test Connection" to see if it works.
10. Continue with Entity Framework as regular.
Hope it's help you.

[This document](#) of Npgsql Docs really helped me, but still have problems.