Upgrade PostgreSQL with pglogical:

OLD Server OS: RHEL-9.3

NEW Server OS: Ubuntu 24.04 LTS

OLD Server PostgreSQL version: postgresql-9.15

NEW Server PostgreSQL version: postgresql-15.6

OLD Server IP: 172.31.23.62

NEW Server IP: 172.31.27.122

PGLogical Setup on OLD server:

Step1) pglogical installation

#Download pglogical source code

https://github.com/2ndQuadrant/pglogical/archive/refs/heads/REL1_2_STABLE.zip

#Unzip pglogical zip file

unzip REL1_2_STABLE.zip

#Install pglogical

cd pglogical-REL1_2_STABLE

sudo PATH=/usr/local/pgsql/bin:\$PATH make USE_PGXS=1 clean all

sudo PATH=/usr/local/pgsql/bin:\$PATH make USE_PGXS=1 install

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ooks.o pglogical_config.o pglogical_proto.o pglogical_proto_native.o pglogical_proto_json.o pglogical_relmetacache.o pgl
#Configure $PGDATA/postgresql.conf file
vim $PGDATA/postgresql.conf
wal_level = 'logical'
max_worker_processes = 10
max_replication_slots = 10
max_wal_senders = 10
shared_preload_libraries = 'pglogical'
track_commit_timestamp = on
pglogical.conflict_resolution = 'last_update_wins'
save&exit
                                          conf |grep -iEa "wal_level|max_worker_processes|max_replication_slots|max_wal_senders|shared_preload_li
| https://
```

#Restart postgresql service and check the status

pg_ctl -D /db_data/data/ -l logfile restart

pg_ctl -D /db_data/data/ -l logfile status

```
[postgres@ip-172-31-23-62 ~]$ pg_ctl -D /db_data/data/ -l logfile restart waiting for server to shut down.... done server stopped server starting [postgres@ip-172-31-23-62 ~]$ pg_ctl -D /db_data/data/ -l logfile status pg_ctl: server is running (PID: 25966) /usr/local/pgsql/bin/postgres "-D" "/db_data/data" [postgres@ip-172-31-23-62 ~]$
```

PGLogical setup on NEW server:

Step1) Install PostgreSQL on new server

Import the repository signing key:

sudo apt install curl ca-certificates

sudo install -d /usr/share/postgresql-common/pgdg

sudo curl -o /usr/share/postgresql-common/pgdg/apt.postgresql.org.asc --fail https://www.postgresql.org/media/keys/ACCC4CF8.asc

Create the repository configuration file:

sudo sh -c 'echo "deb [signed-by=/usr/share/postgresql-common/pgdg/apt.postgresql.org.asc] https://apt.postgresql.org/pub/repos/apt \$(lsb_release -cs)-pgdg main" > /etc/apt/sources.list.d/pgdg.list'

Update the package lists:

sudo apt update

Install the latest version of PostgreSQL:

If you want a specific version, use 'postgresql-16' or similar instead of 'postgresql'

sudo apt -y install postgresql-15

Step2) Installation of pglogical

#installation

sudo apt-get install postgresql-15-pglogical

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Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree... Done
Reading state information... Reading state information in the state of the
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#Quick setup

Add below parameters in a \$PGDATA/postgresq.conf file

```
listen_address='*'

wal_level = 'logical'

max_worker_processes = 10

max_replication_slots = 10

max_wal_senders = 10

shared_preload_libraries = 'pglogical'
```

#Restart the service and check the status

/etc/init.d/postgresql restart

/etc/init.d/postgresql status

Prepare For Logical Replication:

Some key limitations and restrictions:

Superuser is required:

Currently pglogical replication and administration requires superuser privileges. It may be later extended to more granular privileges.

One database at a time:

To replicate multiple databases you must set up individual provider/subscriber relationships for each. There is no way to configure replication for all databases in a PostgreSQL install at once.

PRIMARY KEY or REPLICA IDENTITY required:

UPDATEs and DELETEs cannot be replicated for tables that lack a PRIMARY KEY or other valid replica identity such as using an index, which must be unique, not partial, not deferrable, and include only columns marked NOT NULL. Replication has no way to find the tuple that should be updated/deleted since there is no unique identifier. REPLICA IDENTITY FULL is not supported yet.

DDL:

Automatic DDL replication is not supported. Managing DDL so that the provider and subscriber database(s) remain compatible is the responsibility of the user.

Step1) Enable remote connection for new server

```
host all all 172.31.27.122/32 trust host replication postgres 172.31.27.122/32 trust
```

```
[postgres@ip-172-31-23-62 ~]$ cat $PGDATA/pg_hba.conf |grep "172.31.27.122" host all all 172.31.27.122/32 trust host replication postgres 172.31.27.122/32 trust [postgres@ip-172-31-23-62 ~]$
```

Step2) Check for tables without a primary key and set replica identities.

#Find tables without a primary key query

SELECT tab.table_schema, tab.table_name FROM information_schema.tables tab LEFT JOIN information_schema.table_constraints too ON tab.table_schema = tco.table_schema AND tab.table_name = tco.table_name AND tco.constraint_type = 'PRIMARY KEY' WHERE tab.table_type = 'BASE TABLE' AND tab.table_schema NOT IN('pg_catalog', 'information_schema', 'pglogical') AND tco.constraint_name IS NULL ORDER BY table_schema, table_name;

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| Ipostgres8ip-172-31-23-62 -|$ paql -d test_db | paql | p
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#Create unique index on without a primary key table

ALTER TABLE departments ALTER COLUMN department_id SET NOT NULL;

CREATE UNIQUE INDEX departments_uidx ON departments(department_id);

ALTER TABLE employees ALTER COLUMN employee_id SET NOT NULL;

CREATE UNIQUE INDEX employees_uidx ON employees(employee_id);

ALTER TABLE job_titles ALTER COLUMN job_title_id SET NOT NULL;

CREATE UNIQUE INDEX job_titles_uidx ON job_titles(job_title_id);

#Set replica identities using unique index

ALTER TABLE departments REPLICA IDENTITY USING INDEX departments_uidx;

ALTER TABLE employees REPLICA IDENTITY USING INDEX employees_uidx;

ALTER TABLE job_titles REPLICA IDENTITY USING INDEX job_titles_uidx;

```
[postgres@ip-172-31-23-62 pg_log]$ psql -d test_db
psql (9.5).15)
Type "help" for help.

test_db=# ALTER TABLE departments REPLICA IDENTITY USING INDEX departments_uidx;
ALTER TABLE
test_db=# ALTER TABLE employees REPLICA IDENTITY USING INDEX employees_uidx;
ALTER TABLE
test_db=# ALTER TABLE job_titles REPLICA IDENTITY USING INDEX job_titles_uidx;
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test_db=# ALTER TABLE job_titles REPLICA IDENTITY USING INDEX job_titles_uidx;
ALTER TABLE
test_db=# \q
```

Step3) Take Schema and roles backup from old server.

#Database schema backup

pg_dump -d test_db -U postgres -h 172.31.23.62 -s -v -p 5432 > test_db_schema.sql

```
postgres@ip-172-31-27-122:~$ pg_dump -d test_db -U postgres -h 172.31.23.62 -s -v -p 5432 > test_db_schema.sql
pg_dump: last built-in OID is 16383
pg_dump: reading extensions
pg_dump: reading extension members
pg_dump: reading schemas
pg_dump: reading user-defined tables
pg_dump: reading user-defined functions
pg_dump: reading user-defined dypes
pg_dump: reading user-defined aggregate functions
pg_dump: reading user-defined aggregate functions
pg_dump: reading user-defined access methods
pg_dump: reading user-defined operators
pg_dump: reading user-defined operator classes
pg_dump: reading user-defined operator families
pg_dump: reading user-defined text search parsers
pg_dump: reading user-defined text search templates
pg_dump: reading user-defined text search dictionaries
pg_dump: reading user-defined text search dictionaries
pg_dump: reading user-defined foreign-data wrappers
pg_dump: reading user-defined foreign-data wrappers
pg_dump: reading user-defined foreign servers
pg_dump: reading user-defined foreign servers
pg_dump: reading user-defined foreign servers
pg_dump: reading user-defined collations
```

#Database cluster roles backup

pg_dumpall -U postgres -h 172.31.23.62 -r -v -p 5432 > roles.sql

```
postgres@ip-172-31-27-122:-$ pg_dumpall =U postgres -h 172.31.23.62 -r -v -p 5432 > roles.sql
pg_dumpall: executing SELECT pg_catalog.set_config('search_path', '', false);
pg_dumpall: executing SELECT oid, rolname, rolsuper, rolinherit, rolcreaterole, rolcreatedb, rolcanlogin, rolconnlimit, rolpassword, rolvaliduntil, rolreplic
ation, rolbypassris, pg_catalog.shobj_description(oid, 'pg_authid') as rolcomment, rolname = current_user AS is_current_user FROM pg_authid ORDER BY 2
pg_dumpall: executing SELECT provider, label FROM pg_catalog.pg_shseclabel WHERE classoid = 'pg_catalog.pg_authid'::pg_catalog.regclass AND objoid = '10'
pg_dumpall: executing SELECT provider, label FROM pg_catalog.pg_shseclabel WHERE classoid = 'pg_catalog.pg_authid'::pg_catalog.regclass AND objoid = '10'
pg_dumpall: executing SELECT provider, label FROM pg_catalog.pg_shseclabel WHERE classoid = 'pg_catalog.pg_authid'::pg_catalog.regclass AND objoid = '16384'
pg_dumpall: executing SELECT unnest(setconfig) FROM pg_db_role_setting WHERE setdatabase = 0 AND setrole = (SELECT oid FROM pg_authid WHERE rolname = 'rostgr
es')
pg_dumpall: executing SELECT unnest(setconfig) FROM pg_db_role_setting WHERE setdatabase = 0 AND setrole = (SELECT oid FROM pg_authid WHERE rolname = 'test_u
ser')
pg_dumpall: executing SELECT un.rolname AS roleid, um.rolname AS member, a.admin_option, ug.rolname AS grantor FROM pg_auth wembers a LEFT JOIN pg_authid ur
on ur.oid = a.roleid LEFT JOIN pg_authid um on um.oid = a.member LEFT JOIN pg_authid ug on ug.oid = a.grantor WHERE NOT (ur.rolname - 'rpg_' AND um.rolname -
''pg_')ORDER BY 1.2.3
postgres@ip-172-31-221-22:-$
```

Step4) Restore schema and roles backup on new server.

#Restore roles

psql -U postgres < roles.sql

```
postgres@ip-172-31-27-122:~$ psql -U postgres < roles.sql
SET
SET
SET
ERROR: role "postgres" already exists
ALTER ROLE
CREATE ROLE
ALTER ROLE
postgres@ip-172-31-27-122:~$
```

#Create new database and restore the schema backup

psql -U postgres -d test_db < test_db_schema.sql

```
postgres#9:p-172-31-27-122:-$ psql -U postgres
psql (15.7 (Ubuntu 15.7-).pgdg24.04+1))
Type "help" for help.

postgres=# CREATE DATABASE test_db;
CREATE DATABASE
postgres=# \quad \
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#Verify new tables

psql -U postgres -d test_db

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Step6) Create pglogical extension and setup provider node on old server.

#Create pglogical extension

CREATE EXTENSION pglogical;

```
[postgres@ip-172-31-23-62 pg_log]$ psql -d test_db
psql (9.5.15)
Type "help" for help.

test_db=# CREATE EXTENSION pglogical;
CREATE EXTENSION
test_db=# \dx

List of installed extensions

Name | Version | Schema | Description

pglogical | 1.2.2 | pglogical | PostgresQL Logical Replication
plpsql | 1.0 | pg_catalog | PL/pgSQL procedural language
(2 rows)

test_db=#
```

#Create the provider node:

SELECT pglogical.create_node(node_name := 'provider1',dsn := 'host=localhost port=5432 dbname=test_db user=postgres');

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test_db=# SELECT pglogical.create_node(node_name := 'providerl',dsn := 'host=localhost port=5432 dbname=test_db user=postgres');
create_node
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2976894835
(1 row)
```

#Add all tables in public schema to the default replication set

SELECT pglogical.replication_set_add_all_tables('default', ARRAY['public']);

```
[postgres@ip-172-31-23-62 pg_log] psql -d test_db
psql (9.5.15)
Type "help" for help.

test_db=# SELECT pglogical.replication_set_add_all_tables('default', ARRAY['public']);
replication_set_add_all_tables

t
(1 row)

test_db=#
```

Step7) Create pglogical extension and setup subscriber node on new server

#Create pglogical extension

CREATE EXTENSION pglogical;

#Create subscriber node

SELECT pglogical.create_node(node_name := 'subscriber1',dsn := 'host=localhost port=5432 dbname=test_db user=postgres');

#And finally on the subscriber node you can create the subscription which will start synchronization and replication process in the background

SELECT pglogical.create_subscription(subscription_name := 'subscription1',provider_dsn := 'host=172.31.23.62 port=5432 dbname=test_db user=postgres');

```
postgres@ip-172-31-27-122:/var/log/postgresql$ psql -d test_db
psql (15.7 (Ubuntu 15.7-1.pgdg24.04+1))
Type "help" for help.

test_db=# SELECT pglogical.create_subscription(subscription_name := 'subscription1',provider_dsn := 'host=172.31.23.62 port=5432 dbname=test_db user=postgres
');

create_subscription

1763399739
(1 row)

test_db=# |
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#Check replication status

SELECT subscription_name, status FROM pglogical.show_subscription_status();

```
postgres@ip-172-31-27-122:/var/log/postgresql$ psql -d test_db
psql (15.7 (Ubuntu 15.7-1.pgdg24.04+1))
Type "help" for help.

test_db=# SELECT subscription name, status FROM pglogical.show_subscription_status();
subscription_name | status

subscription_l | replicating
(1 row)
```

#Check logs

cd /var/log/postgresql/

tail -f postgresql-15-main.log

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2024-05-12 13:15:30.349 UTC [9550] postgresëtest_db DETAIL: dsn was: host=localhost port=5432 dbname=test_db username=postgres 2024-05-12 13:15:30.349 UTC [9550] postgresëtest_db STATEMENT: SELECT pglogical.create_subscription(subscription_name:= 'subscription1',provider_dsn:= 'host=172.31.33.62 port=5432 dbname=test_db user=postgres'); 2024-05-12 13:15:56.674 UTC [9505] [unknown]@test_db LOG: manager worker [9505] at slot 1 generation 4 detaching cleanly 2024-05-12 13:15:56.679 UTC [9505] [unknown]@postgres LOG: manager worker [9564] at slot 0 generation 8 detaching cleanly 2024-05-12 13:15:56.682 UTC [9565] [unknown]@test_db LOG: starting pglogical database manager for database test_db 2024-05-12 13:15:56.687 UTC [9565] [unknown]@test_db LOG: manager worker [9566] at slot 1 generation 5 detaching cleanly 2024-05-12 13:15:56.687 UTC [9566] [unknown]@test_db LOG: manager worker [9566] at slot 0 generation 9 detaching cleanly 2024-05-12 13:16:140.091 UTC [9572] [unknown]@test_db LOG: starting pglogical database manager for database test_db 2024-05-12 13:16:140.095 UTC [9573] [unknown]@test_db LOG: starting pglogical database manager for database test_db 2024-05-12 13:16:140.095 UTC [9573] [unknown]@test_db LOG: starting pglogical database manager for database test_db 2024-05-12 13:16:140.095 UTC [9574] [unknown]@test_db LOG: starting pglogical database manager for database test_db 2024-05-12 13:16:154.095 UTC [9574] [unknown]@test_db LOG: starting pglogical database manager for database test_db 2024-05-12 13:16:154.095 UTC [9574] [unknown]@test_db LOG: starting pglogical database manager for database test_db 2024-05-12 13:16:154.095 UTC [9574] [unknown]@test_db LOG: starting pglogical database manager for database test_db 2024-05-12 13:16:154.095 UTC [9574] [unknown]@test_db LOG: starting pglogical database manager for database test_db 2024-05-12 13:16:154.095 UTC [9574] [unknown]@test_db LOG: starting pglogical database manager for database test_db 2024-05-12 13:16:154.095 UTC [9574] [unknown]@test_db LOG: star
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#Verify tables data

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postgresëip-172-31-27-122:/var/log/postgresql5 psql -d test_db
sagl (15.7 (Ubuntu 15.7-1.psdg24.04+1))
Type "help" for help.

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List of relations

Schema | Name | Type | Ownex | Persistence | Access method | Size | Description

public | actor | table | postgres | permanent | heap | 40 kB |
public | address | table | postgres | permanent | heap | 818 kB |
public | category | table | postgres | permanent | heap | 818 kB |
public | country | table | postgres | permanent | heap | 818 kB |
public | country | table | postgres | permanent | heap | 818 kB |
public | departments | table | postgres | permanent | heap | 818 kB |
public | departments | table | postgres | permanent | heap | 818 kB |
public | film | table | postgres | permanent | heap | 16 kB |
public | film | table | postgres | permanent | heap | 16 kB |
public | film | table | postgres | permanent | heap | 16 kB |
public | film | table | postgres | permanent | heap | 16 kB |
public | film | table | postgres | permanent | heap | 16 kB |
public | film | table | postgres | permanent | heap | 127 kB |
public | film | table | postgres | permanent | heap | 123 kB |
public | film | postgres | permanent | heap | 16 kB |
public | postgres | table | postgres | permanent | heap | 16 kB |
public | payment | table | postgres | permanent | heap | 16 kB |
public | payment | table | postgres | permanent | heap | 16 kB |
public | store | table | postgres | permanent | heap | 18 kB |
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public | store | table | postgres | permanent | heap | 18 kB |
public | store | tab
```

#Check replication completed

SELECT pglogical.wait_for_subscription_sync_complete('subscription1');

Note: When you execute this function and it returns empty, it means that the subscription synchronization has already completed or there are no pending synchronization tasks to wait for.

```
postgres@sp-172-31-27-122:(var/log/postgresql$ psql -d test_db
psql (15.7 (Ubuntu 15.7-).pgdg24.04+1))
Type "help" for help.

test_db=# SELECT pglogical.wait_for_subscription_sync_complete('subscription1');
    wait_for_subscription_sync_complete

(1 row)
test_db=# ...
```