

OPENACS ON DOCKER

Managing multiple OpenACS Sites with Docker Compose



REQUIREMENTS/GOALS

- * Have a fully off-line development environment
 - **→** Code at the cabin
- * Minimize RAM and CPU usage for work on a laptop
 - **⇒** Single (usually) database server
- ***** Development instances for Multiple OpenACS sites
 - **⇒** Easily run only needed instances
 - **⇒** Easily synchronize code with production and/or other developers



SOLUTION

- * Docker Compose projects/environments
- * Postgres (or Oracle) and NaviServer in separate containers
 - **→** Use existing Postgres or PostGIS containers from Docker Hub
 - **⇒** Build NaviServer container from Dockerfile or pull from Docker Hub
- * Tools to manage code checkout and synchronization of many
 - **→** Developed git-sync.tcl and friends
- * Tools to manage database creation/load/modification
 - → Created refresh-site-db.sh to manage the database for a site Can update parameter values in a cloned/restored database, before starting NS



DOCKER COMPOSE.YML

```
version: '3.2'
networks:
 default:
   name: lsw-network
    external: true
services:
 postgres15:
    image: postgis/postgis:15-3.3
    container name: lsw-pgdb15
    restart: unless-stopped
    volumes:
      - ~/dev/docker/lsw/pg15data:/var/lib/postgresql/data
      - ~/dev/docker/lsw/pg15conf:/var/lib/postgresql/conf
      - ~/dev/docker/lsw/pg15log:/var/lib/postgresq1/log
    ports:
      - 127.0.0.1:5433:5432
    environment:
      - POSTGRES USER=nsadmin
      - PGUSER=nsadmin
     - POSTGRES PASSWORD=df8auf48u48of3ChangeMe
      - POSTGRES DB=nsadmin
```



DOCKER COMPOSE .YML

```
lswbase:
    # build:
    # context: ./builds/naviserver
# dockerfile: Dockerfile
# target: nsbfinalo
image: logansw/naviserver:v1.12
container_name: lsw-lswbase
restart: unless-stopped
stdin_open: true
tty: true
entrypoint: /web/etc/nsd-container-start.sh
command: "/usr/local/ns/bin/nsd -u nsadmin\
    -g web -i -t /web/etc/config.tcl\
    -b 0.0.0.0:80,0.0.0.0:443"
```

- postgres15



nsd-container-start.sh

```
#!/bin/bash
umask 002
counter=0
until psql -U nsadmin -h lsw-pgdb15 lswbase -c "select 1" &> /dev/null
do
 let "counter++"
 sleep 3
 if [ $counter -ge 20 ]; then
    echo "Failed to connect to database 'lswbase' on lsw-pgdb15"
  exit 1
done
echo "postgres database 'lswbase' is available. Starting naviserver."
exec "$@"
```



NOTABLE

- * Set COMPOSE_PROJECT_NAME in a .env file in the directory with docker-compose.yml
- * cd to the directory with the .env file before running "docker compose" commands
- * The depends_on directive only waits until the Postgres container is started. Postgres may not be accepting connections when the NS container starts. Hence the nsd-container-start.sh script
- * The build directive, when uncommented, takes precedence over the image directive
- st container_names can be used as a hostname which resolves to the Docker-assigned IP address for the container



TOOLS

- ***** Git info/compare/sync
 - ⇒ git-info.tcl

 Creates a git-info file containing git info for all repositories below the Current Working Directory (CWD)
 - → git-diff.tcl
 Compares git repositories below the CWD to those in a git-info file
 - ⇒ git-sync.tcl

 Clone or update git repositories under the CWD to match those in a git-info file
 - ⇒ git-status.tcl

 Show results of "git status" for each repository under the CWD



WANT MORE?

- * Full instructions to create an LSW stack are available on the "Docker Install" page at: https://logansw.atlassian.net/wiki/spaces/LSWS
- * git-sync and friends are available on our bitbucket server at: https://bbs.logansw.com/projects/TOOLS/repos/git-sync
- * Other Open Source tools and packages are available on the Bitbucket server
 - **⇒** Some are just copies of OpenACS core packages with tags added for git-sync
- * ZFS—It's where your data belongs
 (No presentation by me is complete without a reference to ZFS)



DISCLAIMERS

- * There will be some differences from a stock NaviServer/OpenACS install
- * PostgreSQL driver mod to support bind variable dereferencing of array vars
- * Minor tweaks to OpenACS core for backward compatibility with legacy packages
- * OS utilities you may not care about in the NaviServer container
- *** LSW ecosystem packages support PostgreSQL only Mainly due to extensive use of tables with Range Types**
- * This is a work-in-progress. Feedback is welcome.



QUESTIONS?