



An industry-standard container runtime

- CNCF Graduated since 2019
- Adopted by well-known enterprise Kubernetes services and distributions
- Designed to be pluggable to support cutting-edge features (remote snapshotters, WASM runtimes, ...)

Snapshotter plugins



Regular snapshotters: overlayfs, btrfs, zfs, devmapper, ...

"Remote" snapshotters support pulling image contents on demand to shorten the container startup time

- stargz: Forward compatible with OCI v1 tar.gz images
- nydus: Uses an alternate image format
- overlaybd: Uses block devices as container images

Runtime plugins





runj: FreeBSD jail

• runwasi: WASM

kata: VM

• runsc (gvisor): ptrace sandbox, etc.



nerdctl: contaiNERD CTL

- https://github.com/containerd/nerdctl
- Same UI/UX as the docker CLI (including Compose)
- Made for facilitating new experiments in the containerd platform (e.g., stargz, fast rootless)
- Useful for debugging Kubernetes nodes too

```
$ nerdctl run hello-world
$ nerdctl compose up
```

Updates in v1.7 (March 2023)



- Sandbox API for "pauseless" pods
- Transfer API for pulling/pushing images on the daemon side
- Extended NRI API for plugging extensions into OCI runtimes
 (NRI = Node Resource Interface)
- User namespace support for Kubernetes
 - Pods running as root can run as non-root

Roadmap to v2.0



• The focus is on cleaning up deprecated features

(runtime v1 API, aufs snapshotter, non-sandboxed pods...)

- Huge improvements on the support for User Namespaces
 - Overhead for chowning is now eliminated

Highly compatible with v1.x

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