Containerization of Java Web Application using Docker

(Hands on Practice from Udemy)

Scenario

Consider a Multitier Java Web Application Stack consists of tomcat application server, MySQL db, memcache, rabbitmq, nginx is running on VMs/ EC2, with regular deployment and continuous changes. List of below problems are occurs while running.

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Problems

- High Capital & Operational Expenditure
- Human errors in deployment
- Not compatible with micro services architecture
- Resource wastage
- Not portable, environment not in sync

Solution

- Listed problems are overcome by creation of containers for services.
- Consumes low resource
- Suits well for micro service architecture
- Deployment via images
- Same container images across all environment
- Reusable and Repeatable

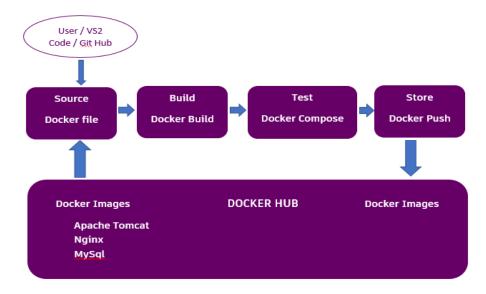
Tools to be used

- Docker as Container run time environment in AWS, maven
- Docker hub, Docker compose

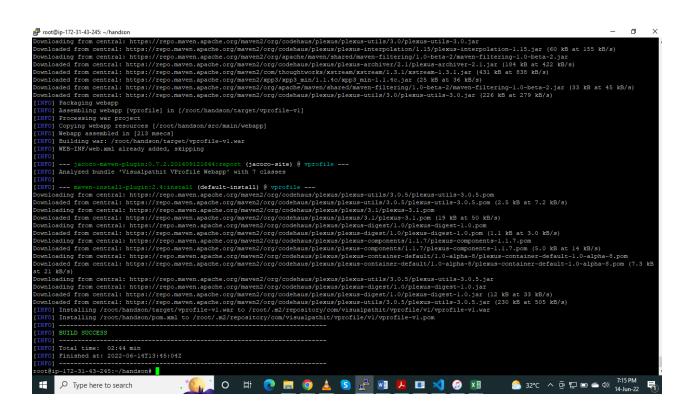
Steps to be followed:

- Create one EC2 instance, and install Docker engine.
- Write the Docker files by using visual studio code editor for tomcat app, database, memcache, rabbitmq and nginx to build docker images and push to git repo.
- Clone the required source code and Docker files from GitHub to our instance.
- Install maven to build the artifacts and locate the war file to the directory where the docker file present for tomcat.
- Build the docker files and the get the images for above.
- Use docker compose, to create the docker containers for tomcat app, database, memcache, rabbitmq and nginx. WAR file will be located at the path usr/local/tomcat/webapps/ROOT.WAR.
- Once all the containers up, we need to check whether tomcat is exposing the application through browser with public IP.
- Then push the Docker images whatever built to Docker hub registry.

Workflow

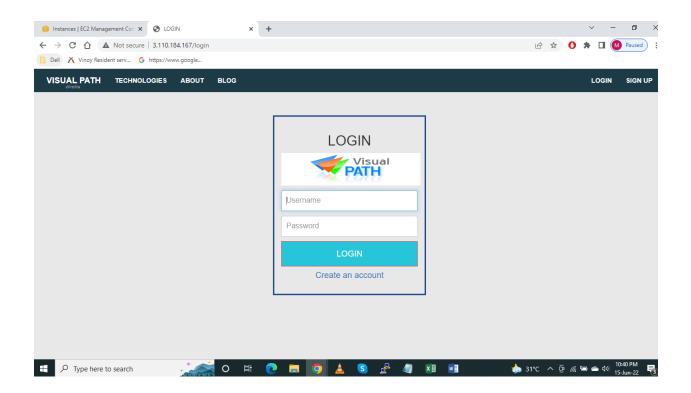


Build output by maven screenshot



Screenshot of List of containers created from Docker images by Docker compose up

Screenshot of final output of web app running via Docker containers



EC2 instance configured with docker engine - screenshot

