Experiment -8

Aim :-Aim : To learn Dockerfile instructions, build an image for a sample web application using Dockerfile.

Theory:-

In a Dockerfile, tags are used to add metadata or labels to various instructions. These tags serve different purposes and provide additional information about the Docker image being built. Here's a breakdown of the common tags used in a Dockerfile:

1. FROM:

- The `FROM` instruction specifies the base image to use for subsequent instructions in the Dockerfile.
 - Example: `FROM node:14-alpine`
- In this example, `node:14-alpine` is the base image tag, where `node` is the repository name, `14` is the version, and `alpine` is the operating system flavor.

2. LABEL:

- The `LABEL` instruction adds metadata to the Docker image in the form of key-value pairs.
- Example: `LABEL maintainer="John Doe <john@example.com>"`
- In this example, the label `maintainer` is set to `"John Doe <john@example.com>"`.

3. COPY and ADD:

- The `COPY` and `ADD` instructions are used to copy files and directories from the host machine into the Docker image.
 - Example: `COPY package*.json ./`
- There are no specific tags associated with these instructions, but the source and destination paths can be considered as tags.

4. RUN:

- The `RUN` instruction executes commands in the Docker container during the build process.
- Example: `RUN npm install`
- There are no specific tags associated with the `RUN` instruction, but the command being executed can be considered as a tag.

5. WORKDIR:

- The `WORKDIR` instruction sets the working directory for subsequent instructions in the Dockerfile.
 - Example: `WORKDIR /usr/src/app`
- There are no specific tags associated with the `WORKDIR` instruction, but the directory path can be considered as a tag.

6. EXPOSE:

- The `EXPOSE` instruction informs Docker that the container listens on specified network ports at runtime.

- Example: `EXPOSE 8080`
- There are no specific tags associated with the `EXPOSE` instruction, but the port number can be considered as a tag.

7. ENV:

- The `ENV` instruction sets environment variables in the Docker container.
- Example: `ENV NODE_ENV=production`
- There are no specific tags associated with the `ENV` instruction, but the environment variable names and values can be considered as tags.

8. CMD and ENTRYPOINT:

- The `CMD` and `ENTRYPOINT` instructions specify the command to run when the container starts.
 - Example: `CMD ["npm", "start"]`
- There are no specific tags associated with these instructions, but the command being executed can be considered as a tag.

These are some of the common tags used in a Dockerfile. Each tag serves a specific purpose in defining the behavior and configuration of the Docker image and container.

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# Use an official Node.js run
FROM node:latest

# Set the working directory in
WORKDIR express-app/

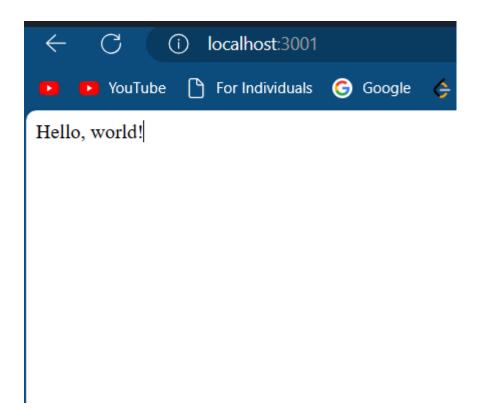
# Copy package.json and package
COPY package*.json ./

# Install dependencies
RUN npm install

# Copy the rest of the application
COPY . .

# Expose port 3000 to the out
EXPOSE 8081

# Command to run the server
CMD ["node", "server.js"]
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Conclusion : We have successfully conatinerized a webapp application consisting of a web server using Docker.