

1 Requirements

This section describes the software requirements for running the Mbed Simulator.

1.1 Software requirements

The following table is a list of recommended software tools that you need to run the Mbed Simulator.

Software	Website	Version	OS
Docker Desktop Installer	https://www.docker.com/products/docker-desktop	Use the most stable version.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Windows 10• Mac OS 10.13 or newer• Ubuntu Focal 20.04 (LTS)
Browser	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chrome• Mozilla Firefox	-

Note:

- For these course labs, you **do not need** to have Git installed.
- Read System Requirements for Docker Desktop in
 - <https://docs.docker.com/docker-for-windows/install/>
 - <https://docs.docker.com/docker-for-mac/install/>
- For other Linux distributions, you may need to install Docker Engine if there isn't a Linux version of Docker Desktop. See <https://docs.docker.com/engine/install/>

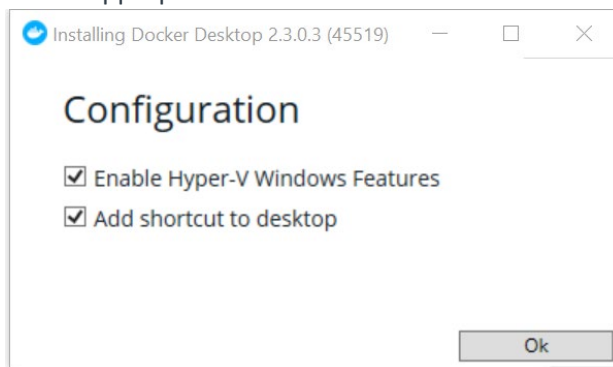
2 Setting up Docker on your PC

Docker is a platform that uses OS-level virtualization to deliver software. The Mbed Simulator image file is hosted in Docker so that you can easily access the Mbed Simulator without having to build it manually. You will need to install Docker so that you can access the Mbed Simulator image file.

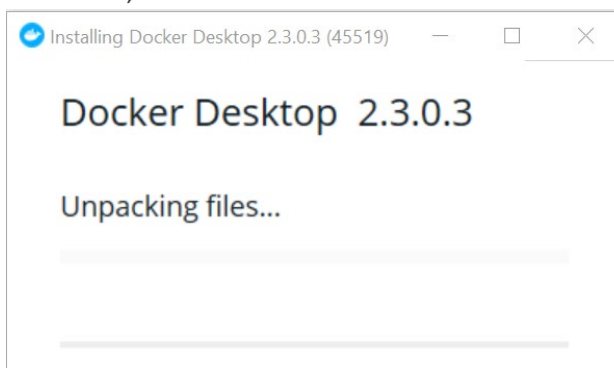
2.1 Windows users: Downloading and installing Docker Desktop

To install Docker Desktop on Windows, follow these steps:

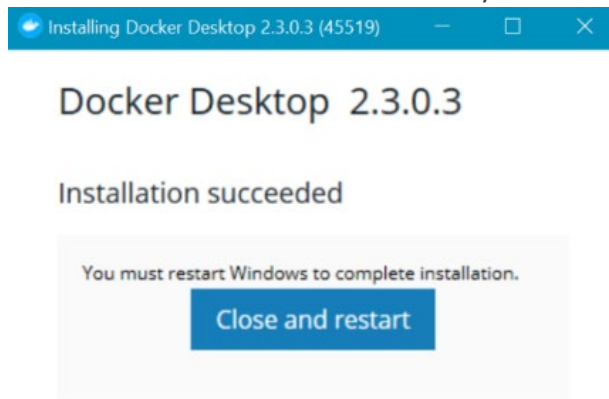
1. Download the appropriate Docker Desktop Installer program from the link provided in [Software requirements](#).
2. Run the downloaded Docker Desktop installer. You can accept the default configuration where appropriate and click **OK**.



Note: It may take some time for the Installer to unpack the files. If the installation is successful, there will be an '**Installation succeeded**' display.



3. Click **Close and restart**. This will restart your PC.



After restarting your PC, you will notice Docker in your Windows system tray, for example:

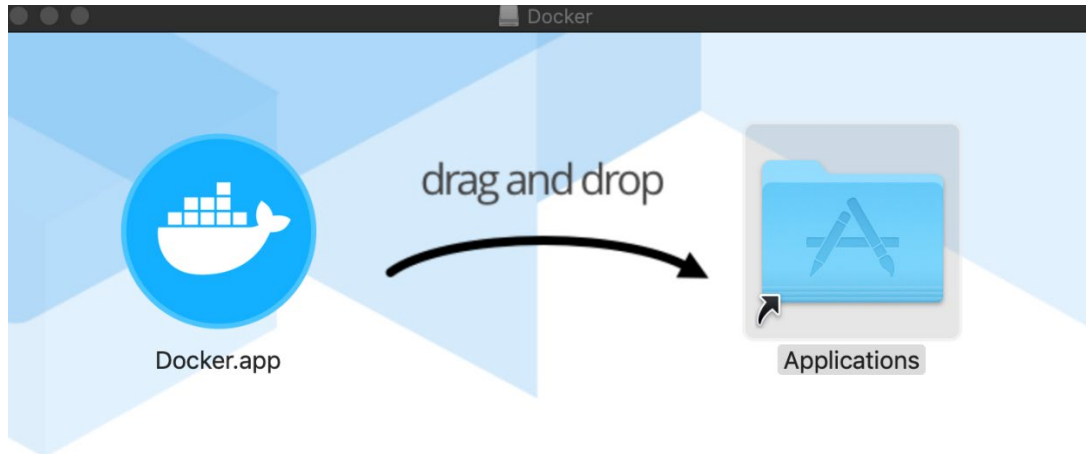


For more information, see <https://docs.docker.com/docker-for-windows/install/>

2.2 Mac users: Downloading and installing Docker Desktop

To install Docker Desktop on your Mac, follow these steps:

1. Download the appropriate Docker Desktop Installer program from the link provided in [Software requirements](#).
2. Open the downloaded installer (double click on the .dmg file).
3. Drag and drop Docker.app to Applications.



4. Open the Applications folder and double click on Docker.app.
You will notice Docker in the top status bar that indicates that Docker is running, for example:



For more information, see <https://docs.docker.com/docker-for-mac/install/>

2.3 Ubuntu users: Downloading and installing Docker

For Linux OS users, you may need to check if Docker Desktop has available installers for Linux. If there isn't any, you will need to install Docker Engine instead.

Note: The instructions in this section are specifically for Ubuntu users. If you are using a different OS, follow the instructions in <https://docs.docker.com/engine/install/>

To set up Docker in **Ubuntu Focal 20.04 (LTS)**, follow these steps:

1. Set up the Docker repository as shown in <https://docs.docker.com/engine/install/ubuntu/> by running the following commands:

```
sudo apt-get update
```

```
sudo apt-get install \
    apt-transport-https \
    ca-certificates \
    curl \
    gnupg-agent \
    software-properties-common
```

```
curl -fsSL https://download.docker.com/linux/ubuntu/gpg | sudo apt-
key add -
```

2. Verify that you now have the correct key by entering the command:

```
sudo apt-key fingerprint 0EBFCD88
```

You should expect a message that displays:

```
pub   rsa4096 2017-02-22 [SCEA]
      9DC8 5822 9FC7 DD38 854A  E2D8 8D81 803C 0EBF CD88
uid           [ unknown] Docker Release (CE deb) <docker@docker.com>
sub   rsa4096 2017-02-22 [S]
```

3. Set up a stable repository. For an **x86_64/amd64** system, run the following command:

```
sudo add-apt-repository \
    "deb [arch=amd64] https://download.docker.com/linux/ubuntu \
    $(lsb_release -cs) \
    stable"
```

Note: If you are using an **armhf** or **arm64** system, replace **arch=amd64** with **arch=armhf** or **arch=arm64** respectively.

4. Update the apt package index:

```
sudo apt-get update
```

5. Install *containerd* and the latest version of Docker Engine by running the following commands:

```
sudo apt-get install docker-ce docker-ce-cli containerd.io
```

6. List the Docker Engine versions available in your repo:

```
apt-cache madison docker-ce
```

You will get a message similar to the following snapshot, which will list the various versions:

```
docker-ce | 5:19.03.11~3-0~ubuntu-focal | https://download.docker.com/linux/ubuntu focal/stable amd64 Packages
docker-ce | 5:19.03.10~3-0~ubuntu-focal | https://download.docker.com/linux/ubuntu focal/stable amd64 Packages
docker-ce | 5:19.03.9~3-0~ubuntu-focal | https://download.docker.com/linux/ubuntu focal/stable amd64 Packages
```

7. Install a specific version using the version string from the second column. For example, to install version **5:19.03.11~3-0~ubuntu-focal** which is listed in the above snapshot, run the following command:

```
sudo apt-get install docker-ce=5:19.03.11~3-0~ubuntu-focal docker-
ce-cli=5:19.03.11~3-0~ubuntu-focal containerd.io
```

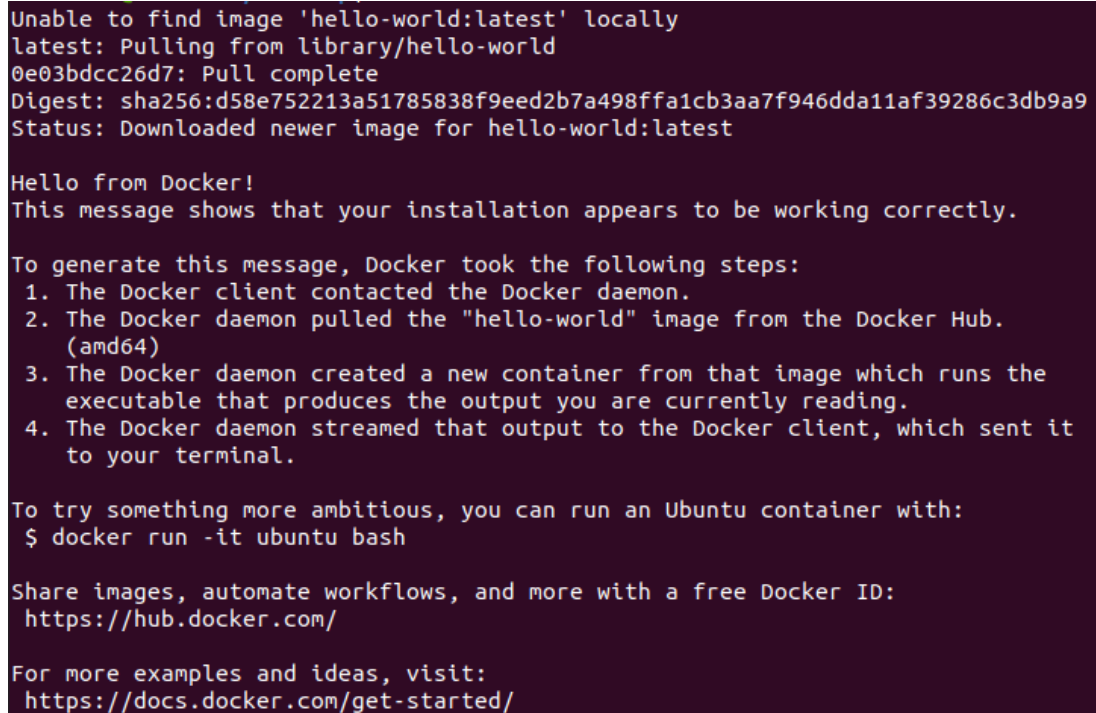
You will get a message similar to the following snapshot:

```
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree
Reading state information... Done
containerd.io is already the newest version (1.2.13-2).
docker-ce-cli is already the newest version (5:19.03.11~3-0~ubuntu-focal).
docker-ce is already the newest version (5:19.03.11~3-0~ubuntu-focal).
0 upgraded, 0 newly installed, 0 to remove and 187 not upgraded.
```

8. Test that Docker Engine has been installed correctly by running a 'hello world' image:

```
sudo docker run hello-world
```

You will get a message similar to the following snapshot:



```
Unable to find image 'hello-world:latest' locally
latest: Pulling from library/hello-world
0e03bdcc26d7: Pull complete
Digest: sha256:d58e752213a51785838f9eed2b7a498ffa1cb3aa7f946dda11af39286c3db9a9
Status: Downloaded newer image for hello-world:latest

Hello from Docker!
This message shows that your installation appears to be working correctly.

To generate this message, Docker took the following steps:
1. The Docker client contacted the Docker daemon.
2. The Docker daemon pulled the "hello-world" image from the Docker Hub.
   (amd64)
3. The Docker daemon created a new container from that image which runs the
   executable that produces the output you are currently reading.
4. The Docker daemon streamed that output to the Docker client, which sent it
   to your terminal.

To try something more ambitious, you can run an Ubuntu container with:
$ docker run -it ubuntu bash

Share images, automate workflows, and more with a free Docker ID:
https://hub.docker.com/

For more examples and ideas, visit:
https://docs.docker.com/get-started/
```

If you are unable to use the Docker's repository to install Docker Engine, you can manually download the .deb file and install it. Read the **Install from a package** section in <https://docs.docker.com/engine/install/ubuntu/>

Additional reference:

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V9AKvZZCWLc>

3 Accessing Mbed Simulator

3.1 Windows and Mac users: Downloading and Running Mbed Simulator image files with Docker Desktop

To download the Mbed Simulator image files in a Windows or Mac OS, follow these steps:

1. Ensure that you have successfully installed Docker Desktop as described in [Downloading and installing Docker Desktop](#).
2. Open a terminal command prompt and run the following command to download the necessary Mbed Simulator image files:

```
docker pull armedu/mbed_sim
```

Note:

- The downloading may take some time.
- You should not need to install Git in order to run the docker commands.

Once completed you should get a display similar to the following:

```
Using default tag: latest
latest: Pulling from armedu/mbed_sim
3192219afd04: Pull complete
17c160265e75: Pull complete
cc4fe40d0e61: Pull complete
9d647f502a07: Pull complete
c8bd59397b26: Pull complete
f9289dfd19be: Pull complete
f95f7854da06: Pull complete
fa191a3faa7e: Pull complete
9ad43107fd89: Pull complete
7db5bbc02673: Pull complete
269b37ddd6a0: Pull complete
e9676d759627: Pull complete
4c4b49ef09c5: Pull complete
Digest: sha256:73a30cd6e0abd32562a3396beb12f7405889c4a2274f2301753d75351a43e088
Status: Downloaded newer image for armedu/mbed_sim:latest
docker.io/armedu/mbed_sim:latest
```

3. Run the Mbed Simulator by entering the following command:

```
docker run -p 7829:7829 armedu/mbed_sim
```

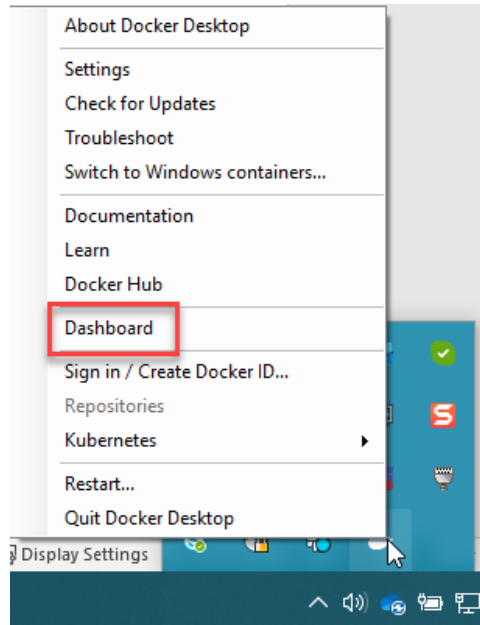
You should get the following message:

```
> mbed-simulator@1.9.7 start /app
> node server.js

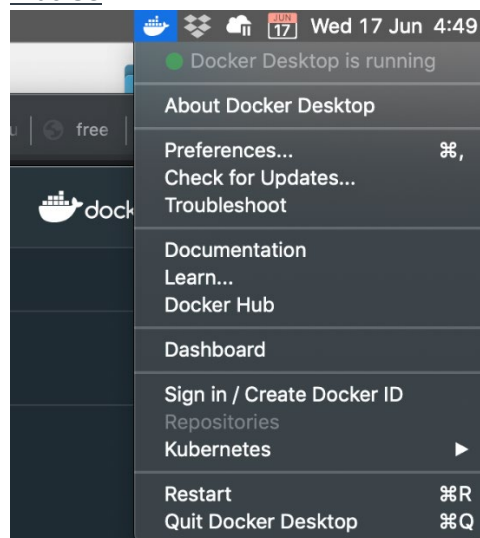
Mbed Simulator v1.9.7
Web server listening on port 7829!
LoRaWAN information:
  Gateway ID:      02:42:ac:00:00:11:00:02
  Packet forwarder host: router.eu.thethings.network
  Packet forwarder port: 1700
  Make sure the gateway registered in the network server running the *legacy packet forwarder*
```


4. Expand your OS system tray (or status bar, depending on your OS), and right click on the Docker Icon. Then select **Dashboard**.

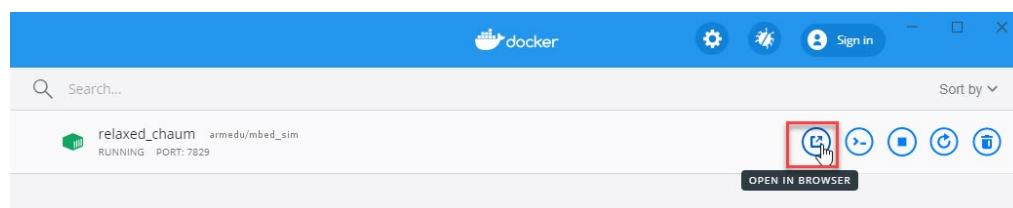
Windows OS



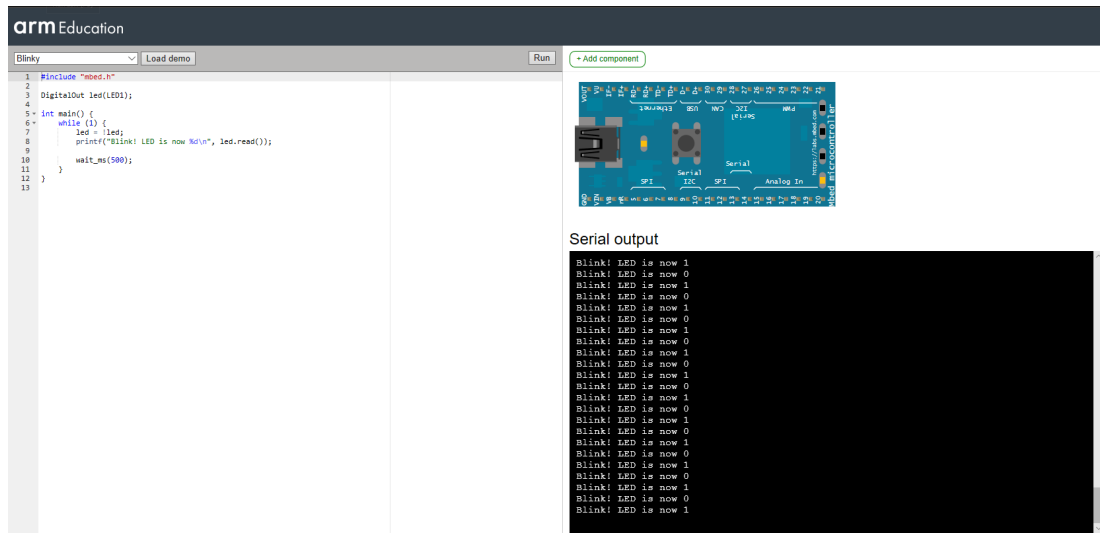
Mac OS



5. Hover your mouse over the relevant container named '**mbed_sim**' and select '**Open in Browser**'.



A browser will now launch with the Mbed Simulator as shown in the following diagram.



If you wish to stop the container by pressing the stop icon in the Docker Dashboard. You can also restart it by pressing the start icon in the Docker Dashboard.

3.2 Ubuntu users: Downloading and Running Mbed Simulator image files with Docker Engine

To download the Mbed Simulator image files in Ubuntu, follow these steps:

1. Ensure that you have successfully installed Docker Desktop and restarted your PC as described in [Downloading and installing Docker Desktop](#).
2. Open a terminal command prompt and run the following command to download the necessary Mbed Simulator image files:

```
sudo run docker pull armedu/mbed_sim
```

Note:

- The downloading may take some time.
- You should not need to install Git in order to run the docker commands.

Once completed you should get a display similar to the following:

```
Using default tag: latest
latest: Pulling from armedu/mbed_sim
3192219afd04: Pull complete
17c160265e75: Pull complete
cc4fe40d0e61: Pull complete
9d647f502a07: Pull complete
c8bd59397b26: Pull complete
f9289dfd19be: Pull complete
f95f7854da06: Pull complete
fa191a3faa7e: Pull complete
9ad43107fd89: Pull complete
7db5bbc02673: Pull complete
269b37ddd6a0: Pull complete
e9676d759627: Pull complete
4c4b49ef09c5: Pull complete
Digest: sha256:73a30cd6e0abd32562a3396beb12f7405889c4a2274f2301753d75351a43e088
Status: Downloaded newer image for armedu/mbed_sim:latest
docker.io/armedu/mbed_sim:latest
```

3. Run the Mbed Simulator

```
sudo docker run -p 7829:7829 armedu/mbed_sim
```

You should get the following message:

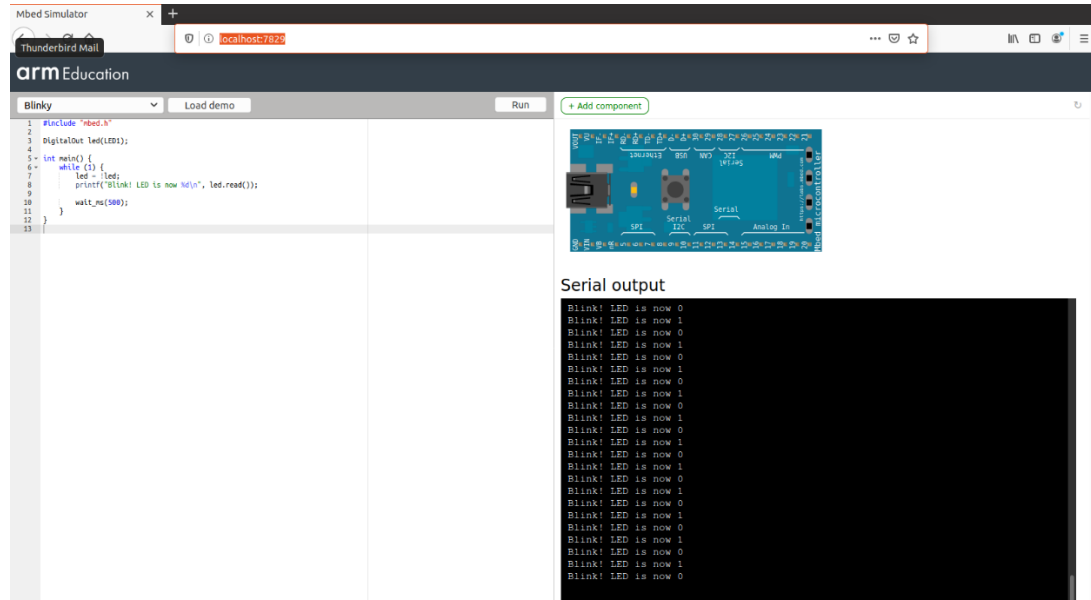
```
> mbed-simulator@1.9.7 start /app
> node server.js

Mbed Simulator v1.9.7
Web server listening on port 7829!
LoRaWAN information:
  Gateway ID: 02:42:ac:00:00:11:00:02
  Packet forwarder host: router.eu.thethings.network
  Packet forwarder port: 1700
  Make sure the gateway registered in the network server running the *legacy packet forwarder*
```

4. Open a browser in Ubuntu and enter the following URL:

```
http://localhost:7829/
```

A browser will now launch with the Mbed Simulator as shown in the following diagram.



5. [Optional] If you would like to list all running docker containers, run the following command in a separate terminal:

```
sudo docker ps
```

You should get a list similar to:

CONTAINER ID	IMAGE
01c95a5593fa	armedu/mbed_sim

You can also stop the container by entering the following command:

```
sudo docker container stop <container id>
```

So for example, if your container id is 01c95a5593fa, then run the command:

```
sudo docker container stop 01c95a5593fa
```

To restart it again, run the command:

```
sudo docker container start 01c95a5593fa
```

4 Troubleshooting

4.1 No sound in Mbed Simulator

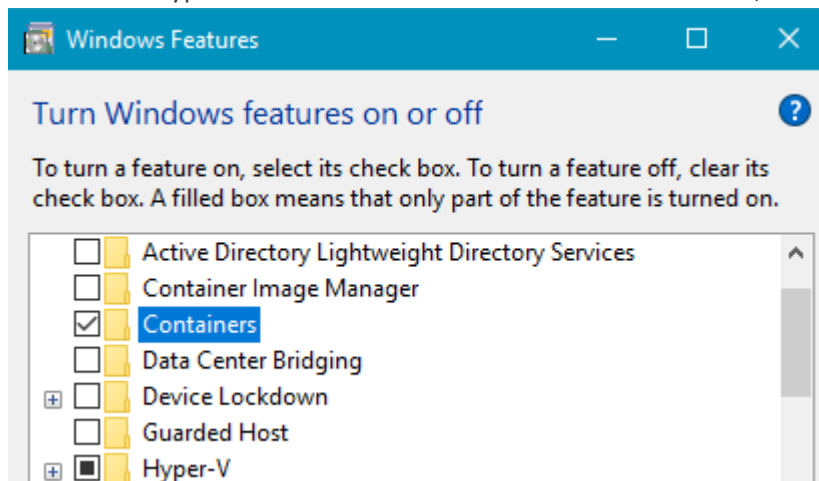
If there is no sound when running Module 6 – Solution in the Mbed Simulator, ensure that you are using the browsers stated in [Software requirements](#).

4.2 Docker Desktop prompts message on Hyper-V features being disabled in Windows

As mentioned in <https://docs.docker.com/docker-for-windows/install/>, it is a system requirement for Hyper-V and Containers to be enabled in Windows Features in order to run Docker.

To enable Hyper-V and Containers, follow these steps:

1. Type “Windows Features” in your Windows search taskbar. This will bring up the option of **Turn Windows features on or off** in the search.
2. Click on **Turn Windows features on or off**.
3. Ensure that Hyper-V and Containers checkboxes are both filled, as shown below:



4. Click **OK** and restart your PC.

4.3 Cannot start docker in Windows – Error response from daemon

If you get the following error message when running the docker pull command:

```
'error during connect: Get
http://%2F%2F.%2Fpipe%2Fdocker_engine/v1.40/version: open
//./pipe/docker_engine: The system cannot find the file specified. In the
default daemon configuration on Windows, the docker client must be run
elevated to connect. This error may also indicate that the docker daemon
is not running'
```

You can try the following:

1. Right-click on the Docker icon in your Windows System Tray.
2. Select **restart**.
3. Once Docker has successfully connected, enter the `docker pull <name>` command again.