SE6103 - PARALLEL AND DISTRIBUTED SYSTEMS



Assignment - 01

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Question 1

01. What is Docker, and why is it used?

The open-source platform **Docker** allows developers to build, ship and run applications in containers. Containers allow encapsulation of any application with its dependencies and are portable and lightweight, ensuring a seamless experience regardless of the environment.

Docker's Key Features - Scalability, Portability, Isolation and Efficiency

Why you would use Docker -

- 1. Saves the user from dealing with the problem of this work on his machine. Developers can set up a persistent and identical development, testing and a production environment.
- 2. Bundling of dependencies and frameworks applications with docker reduces the hassle to set everything up before usage of the application.
- 3. Testing cycles along with development can be done at a greater speed since integration of one or more Docker containers allows for fast deployment.
- 4. From a cost perspective, deploying micro services on docker is advantageous as docker containers are cheaper and don't take up as many system resources as virtual machines.
- 5. Not only can docker be used for easy management of micro services, but it is also helpful in creating micro services since each service will run on its own container.
- 6. One of docker's key feature is the versioning of containers It is easy to keep track of containers' versions and if needed restore the previous version.

02. Explain the difference between a Docker image and a Docker container.

Aspect	Docker Image	Docker Container
Definition	A framework or an outline for making enclosures.	A docker image that is currently operating.
State	Fixed and permanent.	Fluid, able to be spun up, shut down or frozen at a point in time.
Purpose	Contains application logic along with its dependencies and its configurations.	Executes the software described in the specified image.
Storage	Is stored on a disk as a file.	Is stored in memory (volatile by nature).

Lifecycle	Constructed a single time, however, used many times afterwards.	Constructed via an image, executes then can be removed.
Examples	A step-by-step explanation on how to construct a cake.	A cake which has been cooked and is ready to be served.

03. What are the benefits of using Docker in software development?

- **1. Portability** Containers built with Docker can work equally on diverse platforms including deployment and testing which hence clears the issue of "it works on my device".
- **2. Faster Development and Deployment** Thanks to Docker, developers do not need to worry about the tedious work of packaging all dependencies because installation is faster and more trustworthy.
- **3. Consistency and Standardization -** Applications in containers made with Docker work uniformly in different places which in return enhances accuracy and reduces the challenges of deployment.
- **4. Isolation** Since containers designed using Docker are independent the applications along with their dependencies do not interfere in another project.
- **5. Resource Efficiency** Since containers use the core of the source operating system, they are faster and easier to use than virtual machines.
- **6. Scalability** With tools like Kubernetes, scaling applications is simpler and faster, thanks to docker, and makes it possible to run several containers at once or distribute them over clusters.
- **7. Simplified Dependency Management** Docker wraps up all dependencies with the application to ease replication and remove manual configurations across all platforms.

Question 2

Task 1: Pull and Run a Container

1. Pull the official Nginx image from Docker Hub.

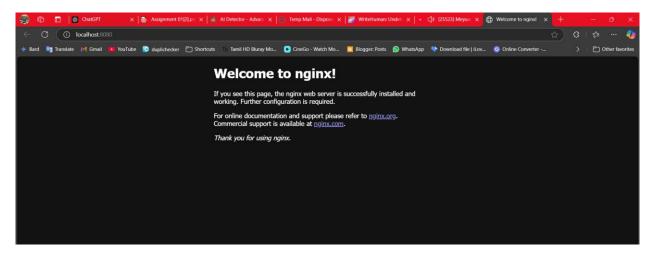
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Command Prompt
Microsoft Windows [Version 10.0.26100.2605]
(c) Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.
C:\Users\Jana>docker pull nginx
Using default tag: latest
latest: Pulling from library/nginx
57b64962dd94: Download complete
7b50399908e1: Download complete
8cc1569e58f5: Download complete
bc0965b23a04: Download complete
650ee30bbe5e: Download complete
13e320bf29cd: Download complete
362f35df001b: Download complete
Digest: sha256:fb197595ebe76b9c0c14ab68159fd3c08bd067ec62300583543f0ebda353b5be
Status: Downloaded newer image for nginx:latest
docker.io/library/nginx:latest
What's next:
    View a summary of image vulnerabilities and recommendations → docker scout quickview nginx
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- 2. Run a container named my-nginx using the pulled Nginx image.
- 3. Mapport8080 on your host machine to port 80 in the container.

C:\Users\Jana>docker run --name my-nginx -d -p 8080:80 nginx 6f061aa3881b489f5b7baa5c1740a79211a95545a985b762d3b7ecc8f285f158



4. Open a browser and verify Nginx is running by navigating to http://localhost:8080.



Task 2: Inspect and Stop the Container

1. Use appropriate commands to inspect the running container's:

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C:\Users\Jana>docker inspect -f "{{range .NetworkSettings.Networks}}{{.IPAddress}}{{end}}" my-nginx 172.17.0.2
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Mountpoints (if any)

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C:\Users\Jana>docker inspect -f "{{ .Mounts }}" my-nginx
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2. Stop and remove the my-nginx container.

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C:\Users\Jana>docker stop my-nginx

C:\Users\Jana>docker rm my-nginx

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C:\Users\Jana>docker ps -a
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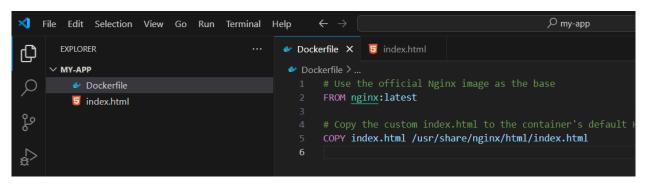
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Question 3

Task 3: Create a Custom Image

1. Create a folder named my-app. Inside it, create the following:



- O A file named Dockerfile.
- An index.html file with the content:

- 2. Write a Dockerfile that:
- Uses the official nginx:latest image as the base.
- Copies your index.html file to the appropriate location inside the container.

3. Build the image with the name custom-nginx.

4. Run a container from this image, mapping port 8081 to port 80 in the container.

PS C:\Users\Jana\Desktop\Lecture Notes\3 Year 2 Semester\SE6103 Parallel and Distributed Systems\Practical\Assignment 01\my-app> docker run --na me custom-nginx-container -d -p 8081:80 custom-nginx 7dec88a9725548c6c63274f27610e120e77efd9fe107e7b029115c35577a0e79

5. Verify the container is running and accessible at http://localhost:8081

