

Challenges with Docker technologies

This survey was developed under the scope of Preparação da Dissertação (PDIS) in regards to two dissertations related to Docker technologies. The objective is to identify and gauge the challenges developers encounter when working with Docker technologies namely dockerfiles and docker compose.

* Required

Personal context

1. Before LDSO I was experienced in ... *

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	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
writing a dockerfile for a software system	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
writing a docker-compose.yml file for a software system	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

2. At this point in time I am experienced in... *

Mark only one oval per row.

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
writing a dockerfile for a software system	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
writing a docker-compose.yml file for a software system	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Until now, approximately in how many projects have you ...

3. ... worked on that had a Dockerfile? *

Mark only one oval.

[illegible]












4. ... worked on that had a docker-compose.yml file? *

Mark only one oval.

[illegible]

5. ... used Dockerfiles created by others (colleagues or third parties)? *

Mark only one oval.

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
										

6. ... used docker-compose.yml files created by others (colleagues or third parties)?

Mark only one oval.

[illegible]

7. ... created/updated a Dockerfile? *

Mark only one oval.

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

8. ... created/updated a docker-compose.yml file? *

Mark only one oval.

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<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

9. In the Dockerfiles I've developed, I've specified...

Check all that apply.

- ☐ ... arguments/variables (ARG instruction).
- ☐ ... volumes (VOLUME instruction).
- ☐ ... the user (USER instruction).
- ☐ ... the working directory (WORKDIR instruction).
- ☐ ... environment variables (ENV instruction).

10. In the docker-compose.yml files I've developed, I've configured...

Check all that apply.

- ☐ ... volumes.
- ☐ ... networks.

Working with Docker technologies

11. When I write a Dockerfile, I spend a lot of time... *

Mark only one oval per row.

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
finding out what parent image is the most suitable.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
finding out what are the dependencies of the system that must be added to the docker image.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
finding out what are the Dockerfile commands that I need.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
trying to understand if the resulting container is working as intended (e.g., running commands and tests on the container).	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
trying to understand why the resulting container is not working as intended.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
finding out which commands are responsible for the container misbehaviour.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
rebuilding the image and re-running the container to confirm that it is working as intended.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

12. What steps or strategies do you usually follow in order to diagnose and fix bugs in the creation of Dockerfiles?

13. Do you use any plugins/tools when developing Dockerfiles? *

Mark only one oval.

☐ Yes

☐ No

14. If so, which ones and how do they help you?

15. When I write a docker-compose.yml file, I spend a lot of time... *

Mark only one oval per row.

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
finding out what are the keys that I need.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
finding out what images are available.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
trying to understand why the services are not working as intended.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
(re)starting the services to confirm that they are working as intended.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
configuring the properties of each service (e.g. port mapping, name, ...).	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
configuring the dependencies between the services (e.g. depends_on).	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
configuring volumes and how they are attached to the services.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
configuring networks and how they are connected to the services.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

16. What steps or strategies do you usually follow in order to diagnose and fix bugs in the creation of docker-compose.yml files?

17. Do you use any plugins/tools when developing docker-compose.yml files? *

Mark only one oval.

☐ Yes

☐ No

18. If so, which ones and how do they help you?

19. When I read a docker-compose.yml file, I spend a lot of time trying to understand ... *

Mark only one oval per row.

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
what the services are.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
the dependencies between services (e.g. depends_on).	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
what volumes are used and how they are attached to the services.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
what networks are used and how they are connected to the services.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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