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Open Source Projects for Enterprise Cloud Native

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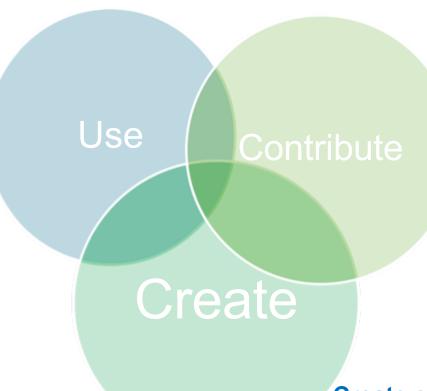
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VMware's Participation in Open Source Community

Use open source code within the enterprise:

- For implementation of industry standards
- To improve software usability
- To accelerate our software development processes



Contribute to upstream projects to add features or fix bugs:

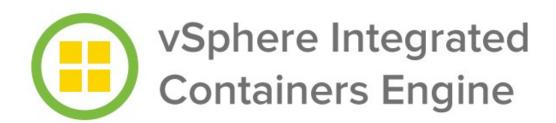
- Linux kernel drivers for our virtual hardware, but also work on key kernel infrastructure
- Open Stack improvement for network, storage, stability
- Kubernetes integration with vSphere as compute and storage provider
- Many smaller contributions and bug fixes to a wide variety of projects

Create and release a new open source project and build new community to support it

 Variety of project – from utilities and glue code to significant, standard-setting projects



Leadership in Open Source Cloud Native Projects





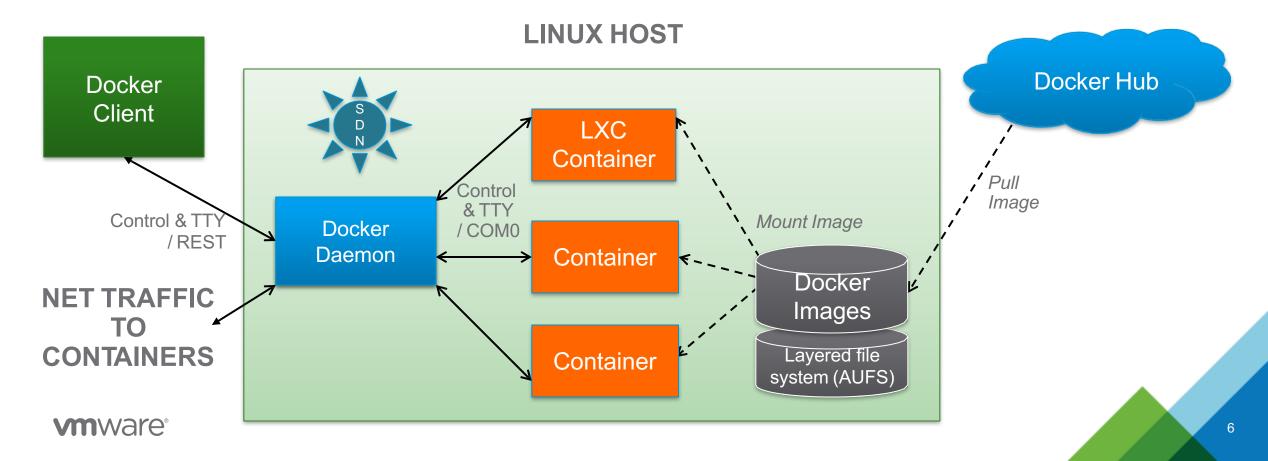


vSphere Integrated Containers



Docker 101

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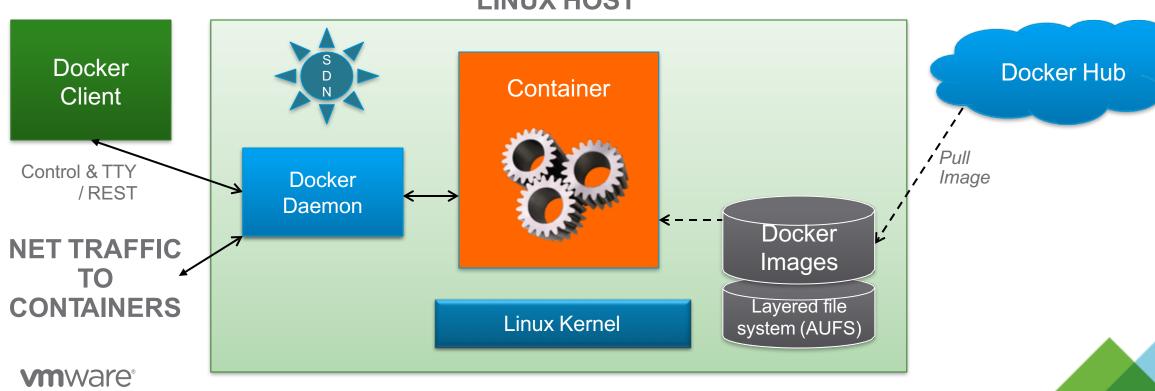


What is a Container?

- 1. An executable process
- 2. Resource constraints / private namespace
- 3. Binary dependencies: Application, runtime, OS
- 4. A shared Linux kernel for running the executable
- 5. Ephemeral and persistent storage layers



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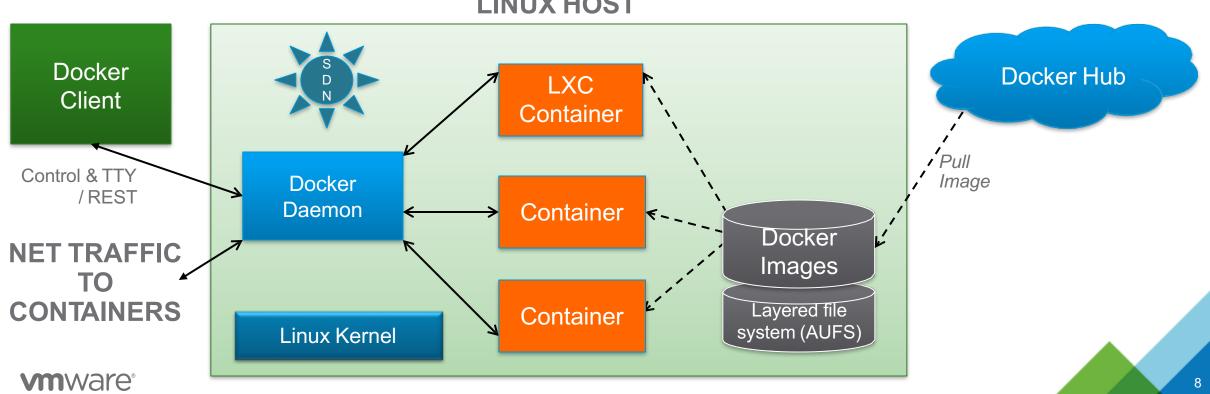


What is a Container Host?

- Control plane & lifecycle management for containers
- Resource scheduling and a container abstraction
- Infrastructure abstractions: Storage, networking etc
- A single Linux kernel manages everything
- A static size and a resource reservation when virtual 5.



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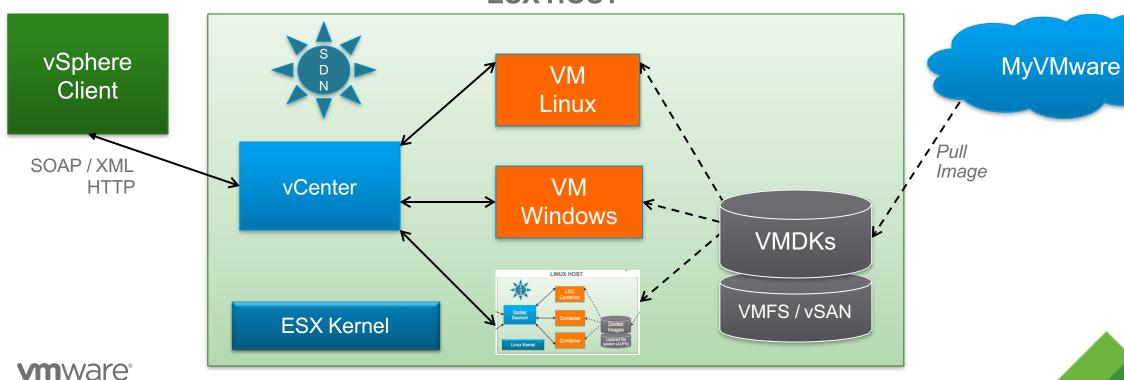


What is a Hypervisor?

- 1. Control plane & lifecycle management for VMs
- 2. Resource scheduling and a VM abstraction
- 3. Infrastructure abstractions: Storage, networking etc
- 4. A hypervisor kernel manages everything except apps
- 5. A static size, but no resource concerns unless nested



ESX HOST



Types of Containers

Long-running

- Can be stateless or stateful
- Eg. Application servers, databases, load-balancers, KV stores etc
- Typically a need for strong isolation

Transactional

- Runs for a period and transforms some data
- Eg. Runs a build. Processes a web request. Batch processing
- Should only consume resource when running

Sidecar / helpers

- Augments the capabilities of a service or provides a helper function
- Eg. Logging, monitoring, caching
- Scales with the service. Potentially hindered by strong isolation

Isolation Domains and Data Persistence

- How do I isolate workloads from each other?
 - Runtime isolation resource limits, kernel panic, ESX host failure, rack or region failure
 - Network isolation traffic sniffing, firewalls, encryption, rate limiting
 - Storage isolation data persistence, backup, networking, RBAC
- Stateful vs Stateless / Cattle vs Pets
 - Different classifications of data. Where should it go?
 - Image state, container state, volume state. What's the difference?
 - Should data lifespan be inherently tied to compute (VM / container)?
 - Without live migration, shared storage and HA, stateless looks attractive
- The question is not "what plumbing do I need?"
 - What characteristics or business value do I need for my application?
 - Better question than, "do I need a container or a VM?"



Characteristics: Containers vs VMs? So 2014!

Speed

- Start time vs throughput. Benefits transactional containers
- Hello World vs Tomcat. Less benefit for long-running apps

Efficiency

- Less memory consumption? Depends when virtualized
- Network traffic NAT'd through guest vs straight to vNIC

Portability

- Docker image abstraction and API is very portable
- Subtle issues with kernel versions and patches

Isolation

Shared kernel significantly reduces runtime isolation

Granularity

- Containers are great for granular services. Group in a VM as isolation domain.

Container Workflow Efficiencies

A Portable Runtime Platform

- "Package once, run anywhere"
- Defacto runtime model for higher level frameworks

The Container Model

- "Docker is to apt what apt is to tar" dependency management
- Snapshotting, image format, Docker Hub, state management (volumes etc)
- Scripting and automation express an environment in a text file
- Predictable initialization state predictability vs. reconfiguration

Continuous Integration

- Secure registries, integration with popular tooling
- Rapid improvements in tooling, monitoring, log integration etc.

The Container Stack and Its Challenges

- I want to run containers. Where do I start?
- Should I run containers alongside my other apps or create a silo?
- Should I be considering bare metal?
- So how many containers should I have in each VM?
- How big should each container host be? Impact of re-configuration?
- Which containers can be safely co-located with which other containers?
- Which Linux distro do I want and how to handle the high patch cadence?
- Who is responsible for infrastructure admin and how does it integrate?

So What is VIC and How does it help?

- VIC brings all of the container workflow efficiencies to vSphere infrastructure
 - Control vSphere infrastructure from a Docker client without having any vSphere credentials
 - Treat VMs as ephemerally as containers
 - No more OVAs, VMDKs, Templates, Cloning. Push / pull your state from secure registries
- VIC allows you to translate business value into plumbing
 - Eg. I need to deploy Wordpress with MySQL.
 - Do I want strong isolation between these workloads? Container as a VM
 - Do I want strong isolation from other tenants? Container in a VM
- VIC helps to draw clear lines between admins and users

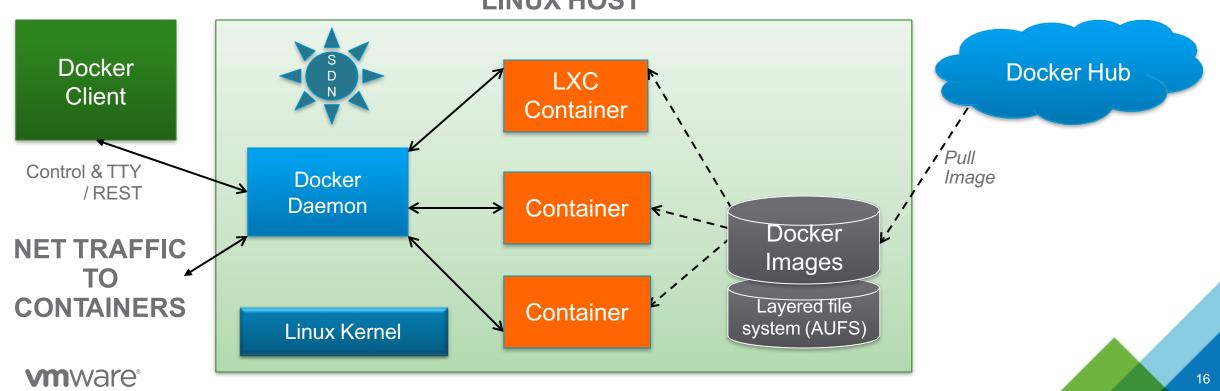


Revisit: What is a Container Host?

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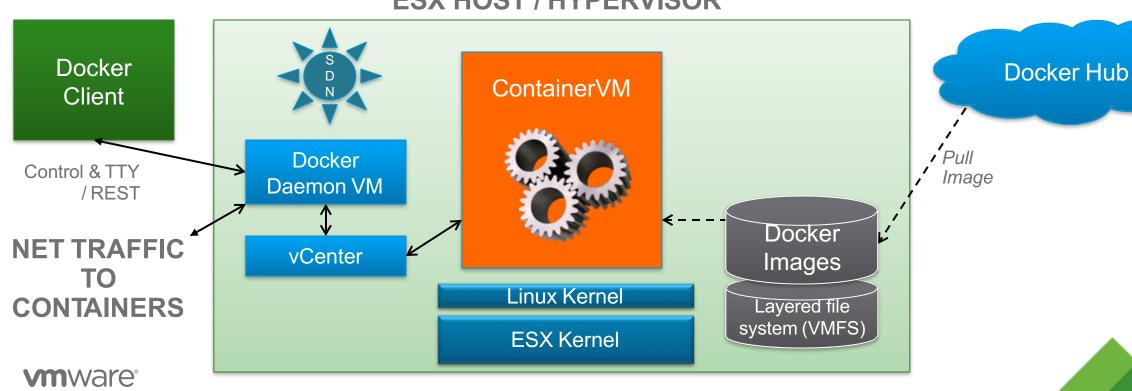


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ESX HOST / HYPERVISOR

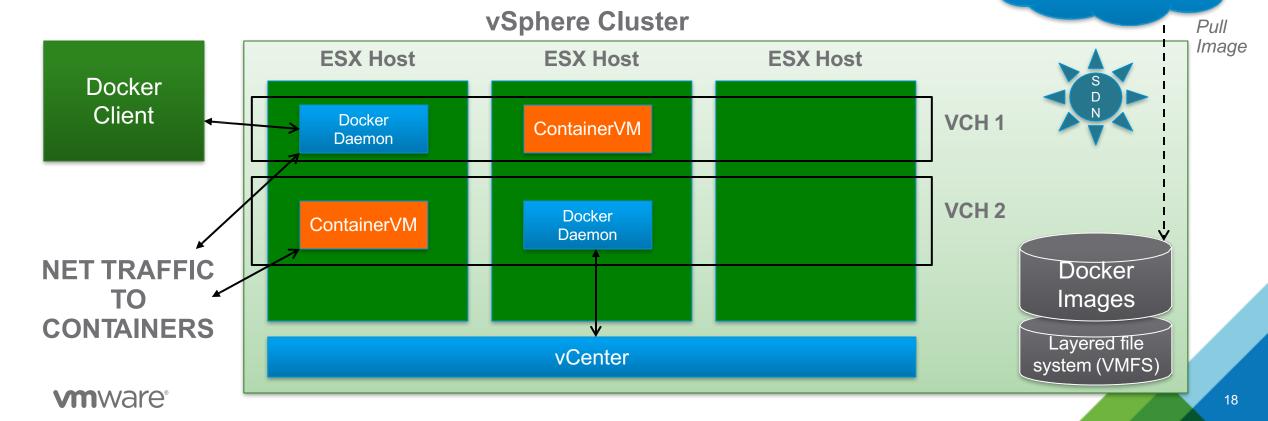


What is a Virtual Container Host?

- 1. Control plane & lifecycle management for ContainerVMs
- 2. Resource scheduling and a container abstraction
- 3. Infrastructure abstractions: Storage, networking etc
- 4. A Linux kernel per container, separate from control plane
- 5. Dynamic size and a resource *limit*, not reservation!



Docker Hub



VIC Roadmap

- VIC 1.0
 - Docker engine and registry (Harbor) shipped in Q4 2016
 - MVP Docker commands. Fundamentals of integration
 - vSAN, vMotion, DRS, NSX distributed port groups
- VIC 1.1
 - Additional Docker capabilities Eg. compose, exec
 - Critical bug fixes
 - Deeper SDDC integrations Eg. HA
- VIC 1.2
 - Security enhancements Image signing, vulnerability scanning
 - Additional Docker capabilities
 - Deeper NSX integration
 - Further SDDC integrations vVols, SDRS

Questions

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Github.com/vmware/vic-product

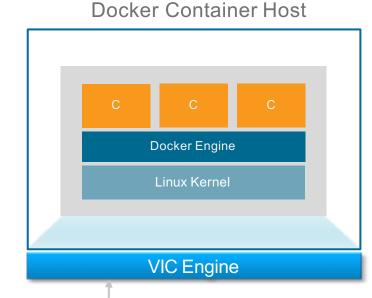


Demo - VIC



New in 1.2 - Developer Sandbox

- Developer self-service with VI Admin governance
 - Developer consumes resources via Docker API/CLI
- Provides developers with self-service for applications not yet in the enterprise service catalog
 - Rapid prototyping
- Run a full-fledged docker engine as a ContainerVM using vSphere Integrated Containers and the Docker API/CLI





docker run -p 12375:2375 -d vmware/dch-photon

Project Harbor

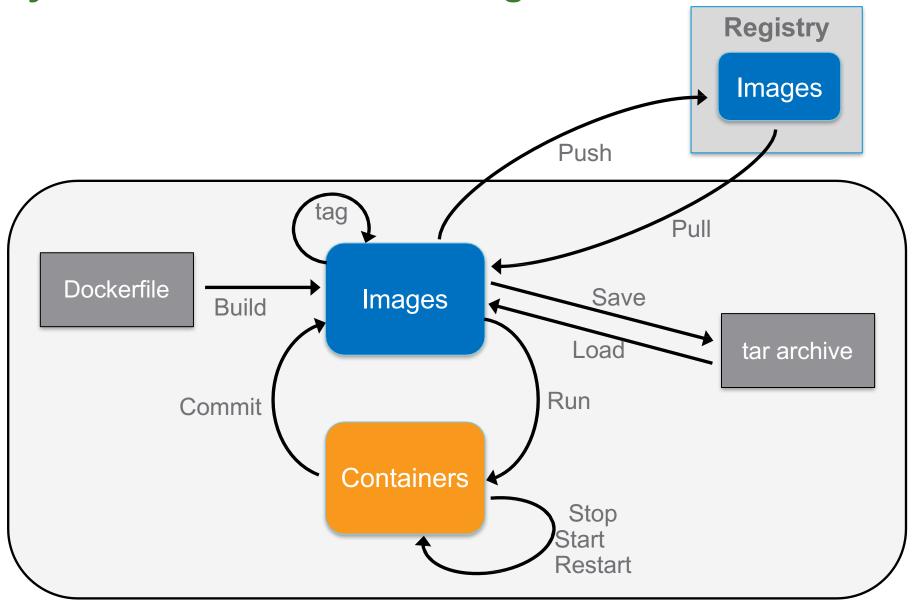


Harbor

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5	Image Distribution



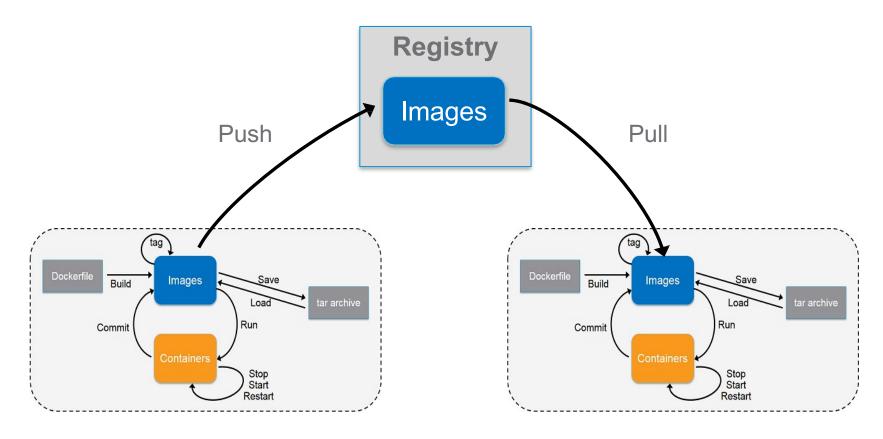
Lifecycle of Containers and Images





Registry - Key Component to Manage Images

- Repository for storing images
- Intermediary for shipping and distributing images
- Ideal for access control and other image management





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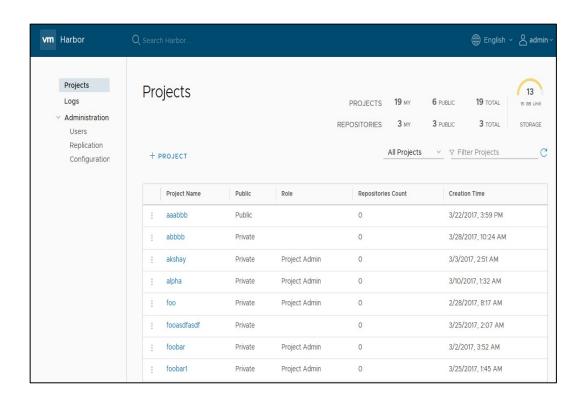
- An open source enterprise-class registry server.
- Initiated by VMware China, adopted by users worldwide.
- Integrated into vSphere Integrated Containers.
- Apache 2 license.
- https://github.com/vmware/harbor/



Key Features

(HARBOR™

- User management & access control
 - RBAC: admin, developer, guest
 - AD/LDAP integration
- Policy based image replication
- Notary
- Vulnerability Scanning
- Web UI
- Audit and logs
- Restful API for integration
- Lightweight and easy deployment





Users and Developers



Users







Developers







Harbor users and partners









































Harbor Architecture



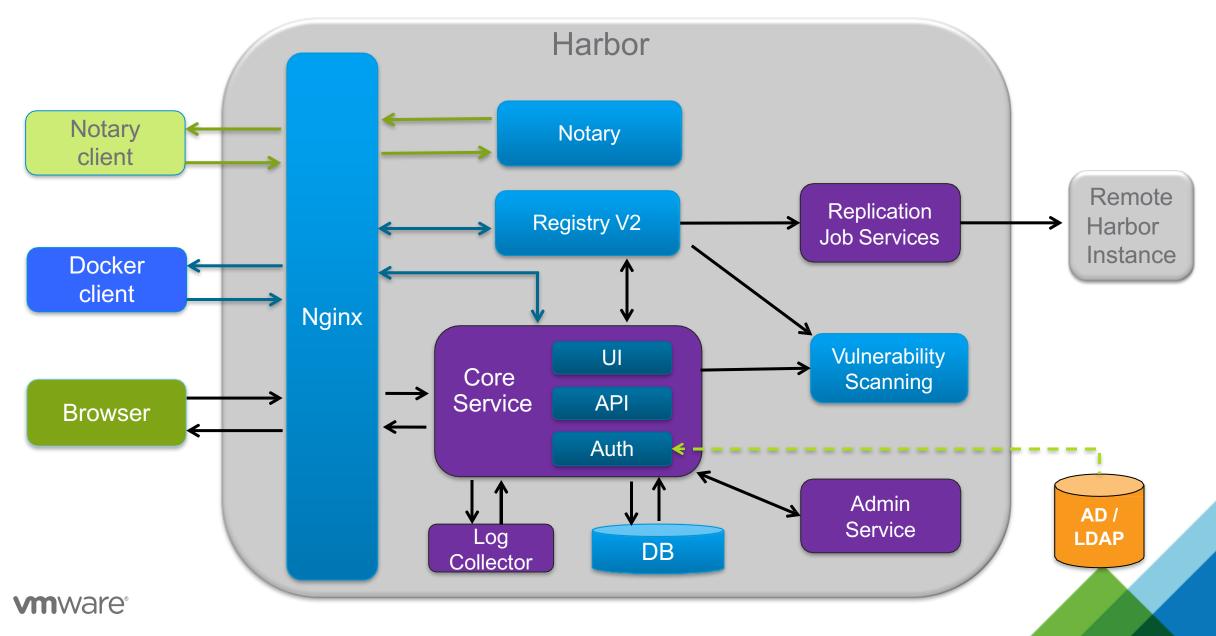
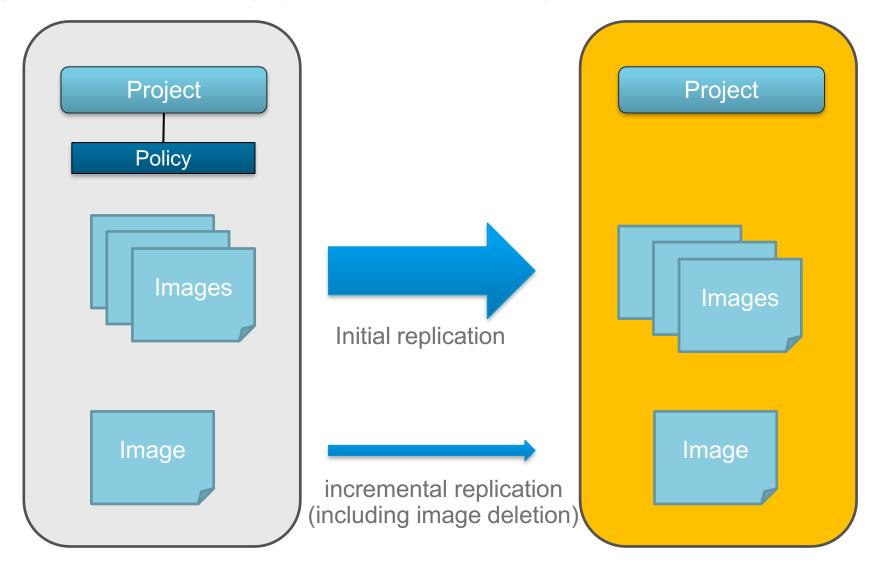




Image replication (synchronization)





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Consistency of Container Images

- Container images are used throughout the life cycle of software development
 - Dev
 - Test
 - Staging
 - Production
- Consistency must be maintained
 - Version control
 - Issue tracking
 - Troubleshooting
 - Auditing



Same Dockerfile Always Builds Same Image?

Example:

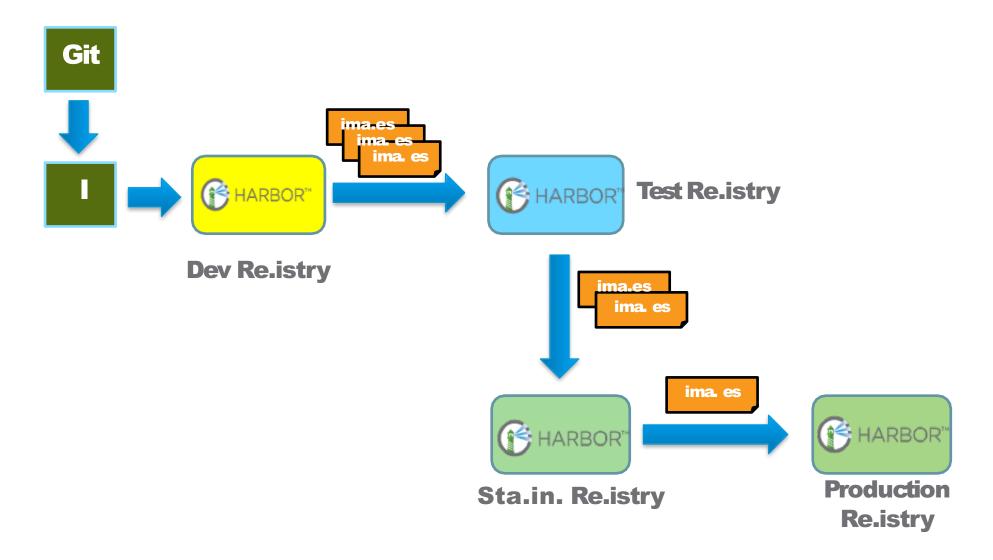
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FROM ubuntu

RUN apt-get install -y python

ADD app.jar /myapp/app.jar
```

- Base image ubuntu:latest could be changed between builds
- ubuntu:14.04 could also be changed due to patching
- apt-get (curl, wget..) cannot guarantee always to install the same packages
- ADD depends on the build time environment to add files

Shipping Images in Binary Format for Consistency





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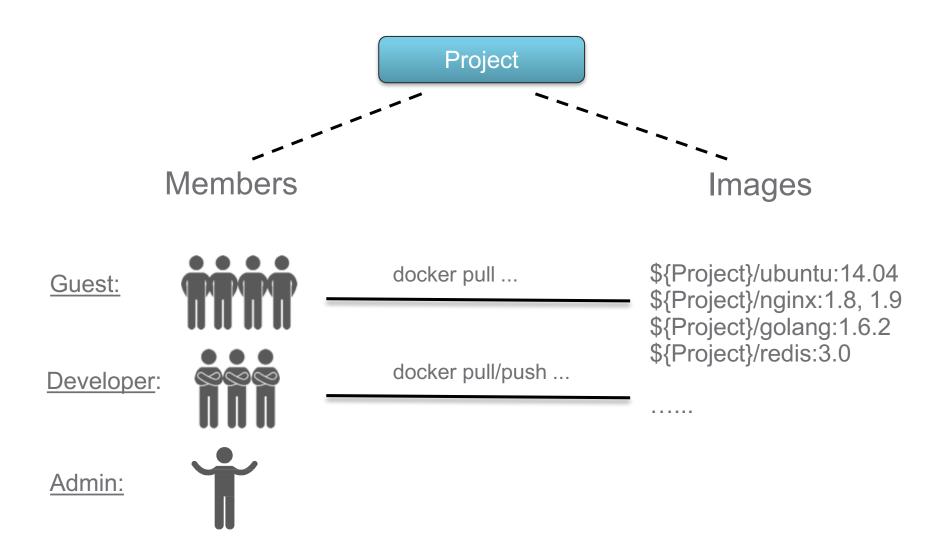


Access Control to Images

- Organizations often keep images within their own organizations
 - Intellectual property stays in organization
 - Efficiency: LAN vs WAN
- People with different roles should have different access
 - Developer Read/Write
 - Tester Read Only
- Different rules should be enforced in different environments
 - Dev/test env many people can access
 - Production a limited number of people can access
- Can be integrated with internal user management system
 - LDAP/Active Directory



Example: Role Based Access Control in Harbor





Other security considerations

- Enable content trust by installing Notary service
 - Image is signed by publisher's private key during pushing
 - Image is pulled using digest

- Perform vulnerability scanning
 - Identify images with vulnerabilities during pushing
 - Prevent images with vulnerabilities from being pulled
 - Regular scanning based on updated vulnerability database



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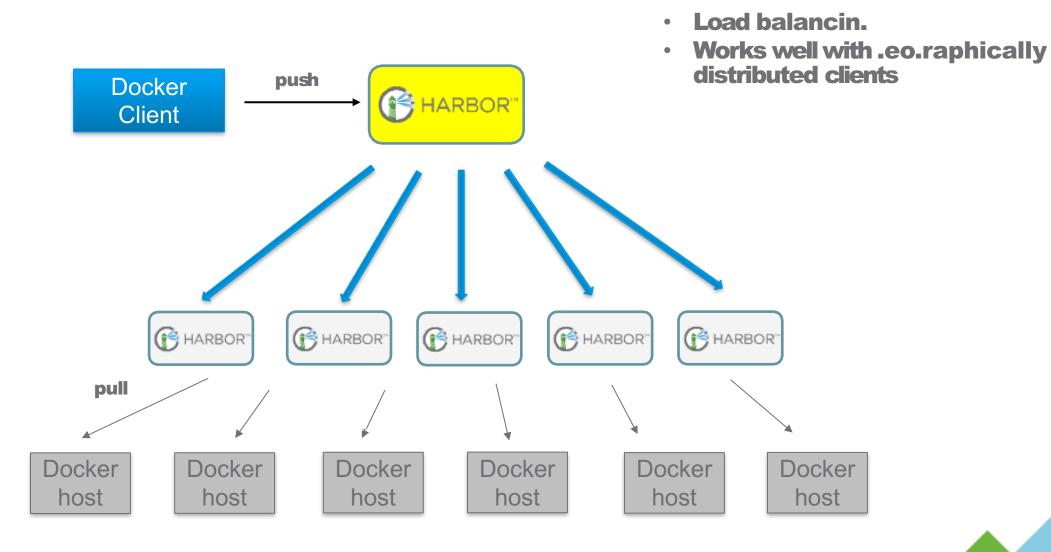


Image Distribution

- Container images are usually distributed from a registry.
- Registry becomes the bottleneck for a large cluster of nodes
 - I/O
 - Network

- Scaling out an registry server
 - Multiple instances of registry sharing same storage
 - Multiple instances of independent registry sharing no storage

Image Distribution via Master-Slave Replication



Demo: Harbor Registry



Admiral Overview





What is Admiral?

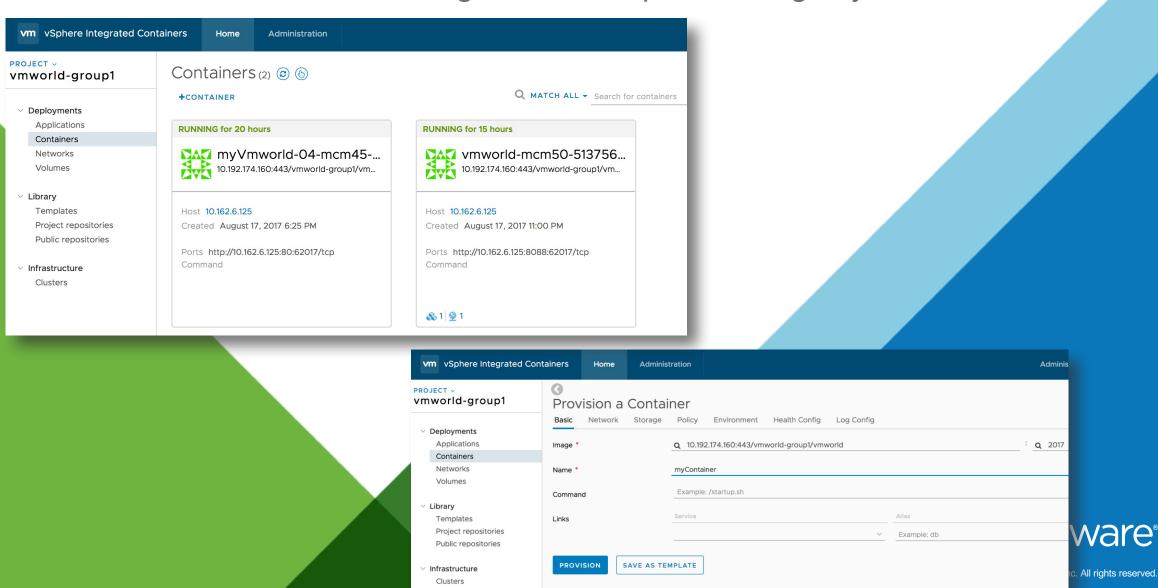
- A lightweight Container Management Platform
- Deploy and manage container based applications.
- Provide placement based on dynamic policy allocation.
- Container Management Layer in both vRA and VIC.
- Works with VIC engine or Docker host, Harbor registry.



Container Deployment



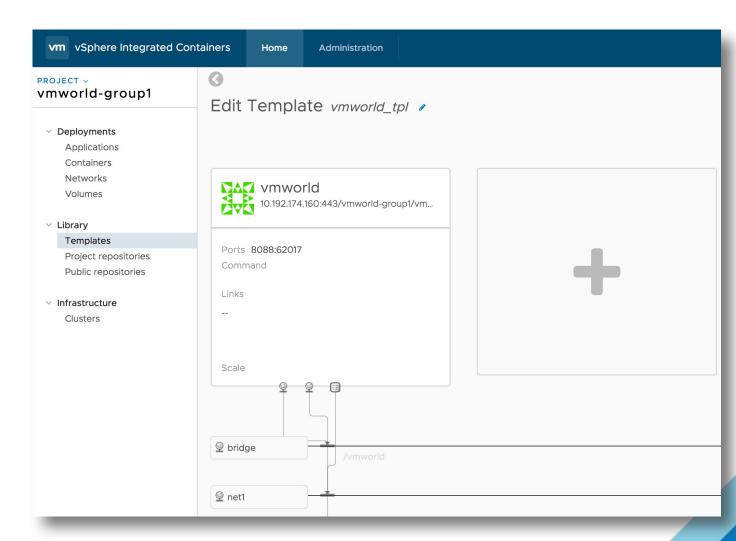
Provision container with the image from the specified registry



Application Template



- Define your own application structure
 - Containers
 - Networks
 - Volumes
- Provision multiple containers at one time
- Compatible with docker-compose yaml file

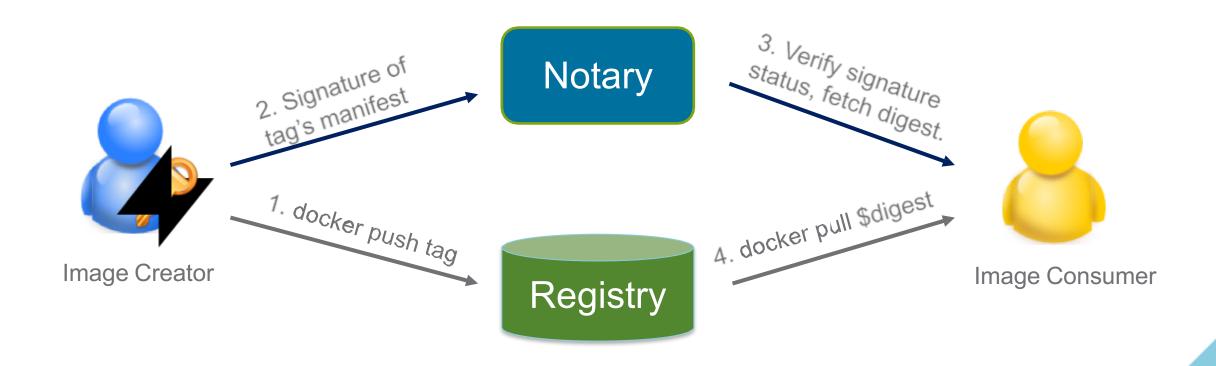




Practice on VIC engine, Harbor & Admiral



Content trust for image provenance





Vulnerability Scanning

- Static analysis of vulnerability by inspecting filesystem of container image and indexing features in database.
- Rescanning is needed only and only if new detectors are added.
- Update vulnerability data regularly
 - Debian Security Bug Tracker
 - Ubuntu CVE Tracker
 - Red Hat Security Data
 - Oracle Linux Security Data
 - Alpine SecDB

