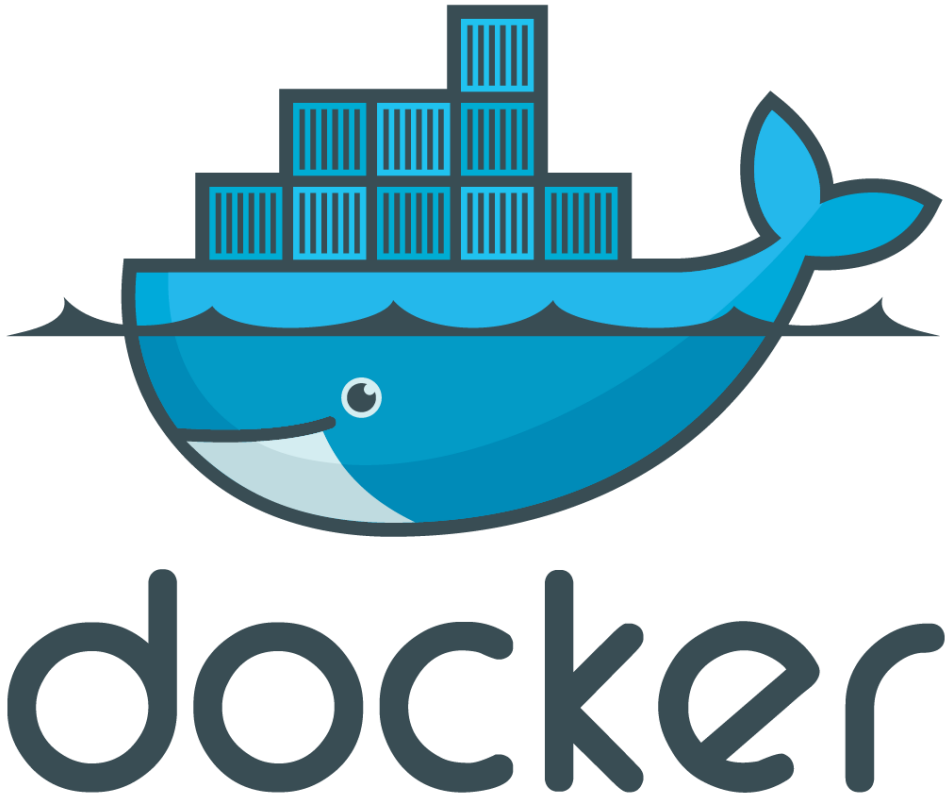

Introduction to Containers

SQL Server On Linux and Docker

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Agenda

- Session Aim
- What are containers?
- Containers vs Virtual Machines
- Images
- Getting Setup
- Volumes
- Dockerfile
- Docker Hub
- Multi-Container Applications

Not on the Agenda

- Docker-Machine
- Orchestration
  - Docker-Swarm
  - Kubernetes
- Networking and Linking

Session Aim

- High(ish) level insight into containers and what you can do with them
- Learn by example
  - Demo’s
  - My mistakes ☺
- Enough of a taste to get the container bug and start experimenting!

Well, it worked on my machine!

The Problem

Those pesky Dev's!!

https://cdn.geekwire.com/wp-content/uploads/2012/02/nerd-bigstock_Extreme_Computer_Nerd_1520708.jpg

The Real Problem

- Adapting to changing markets
- Environmental
  - Code, system tools, system libraries, settings

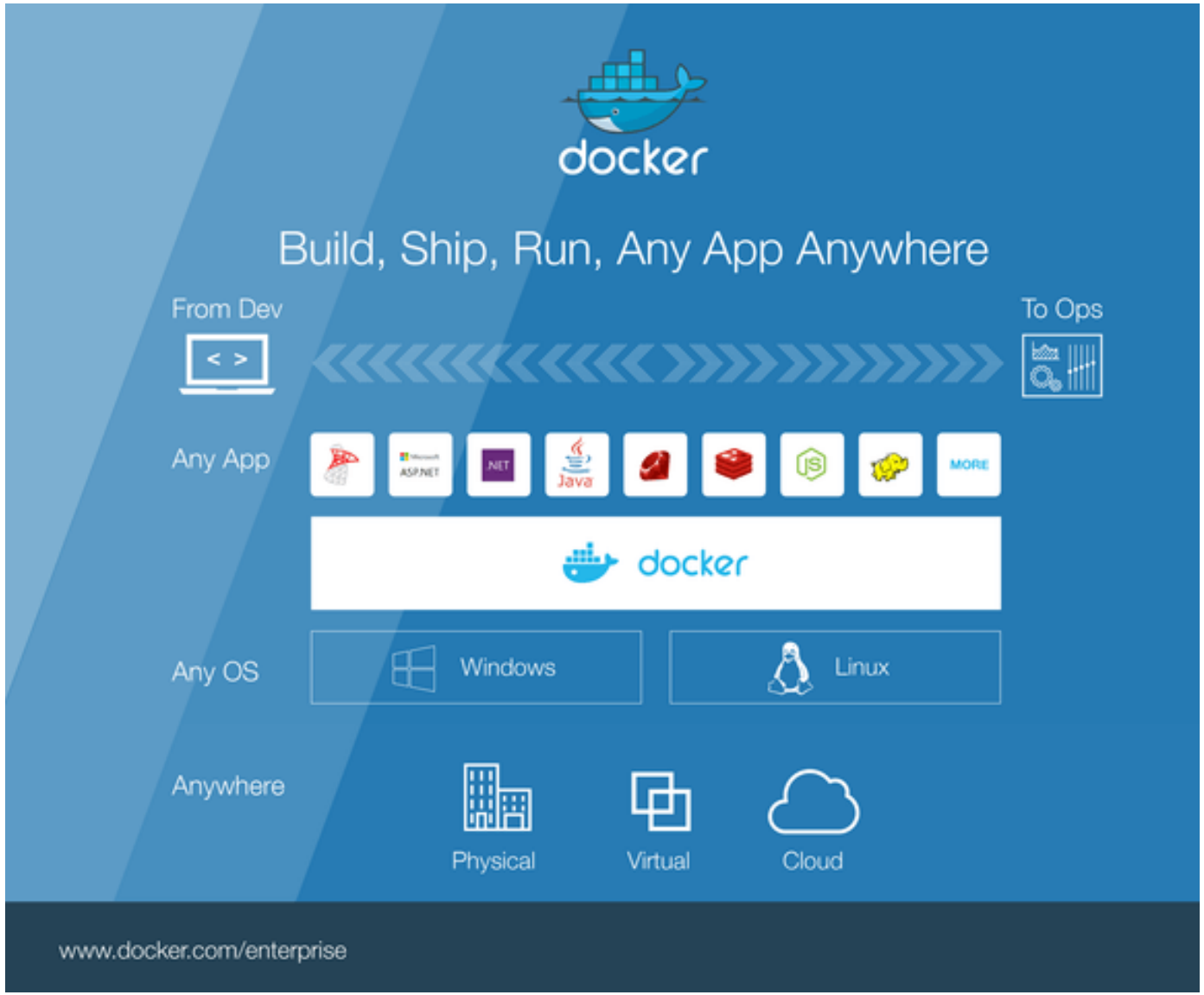
What are Containers

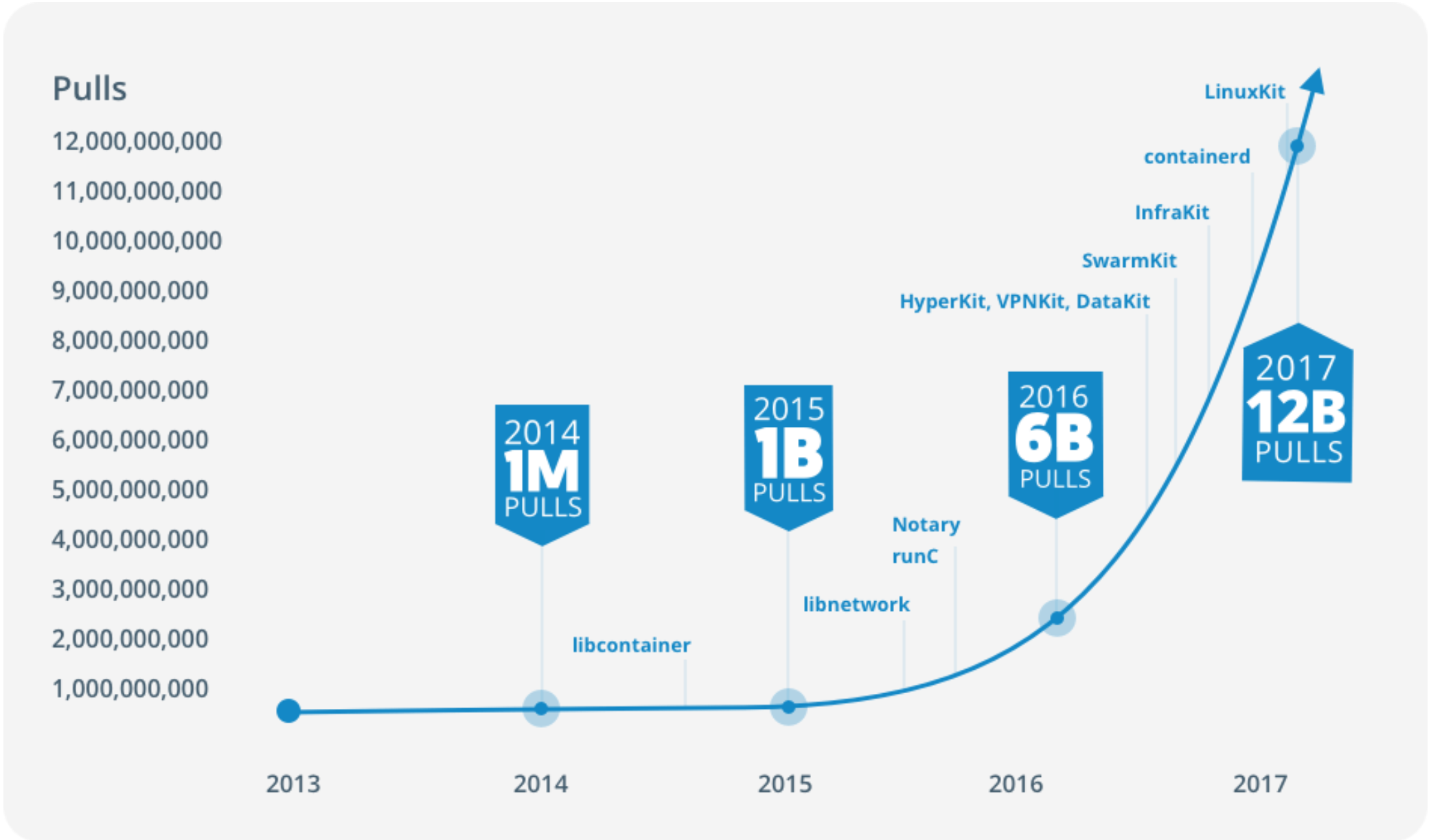
- Next evolution in virtualisation
- Lightweight, stand alone, executable package of a piece of software
  - Separation of applications or services on the same container host
  - Isolated, resource controlled, and portable operating environment
- Enables true independence between applications / infrastructure / developers / IT ops

"Basically, a container is an isolated place where an application can run without affecting the rest of the system, and without the system affecting the application."

https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/virtualization/windowscontainers/quick-start/

What is Docker?



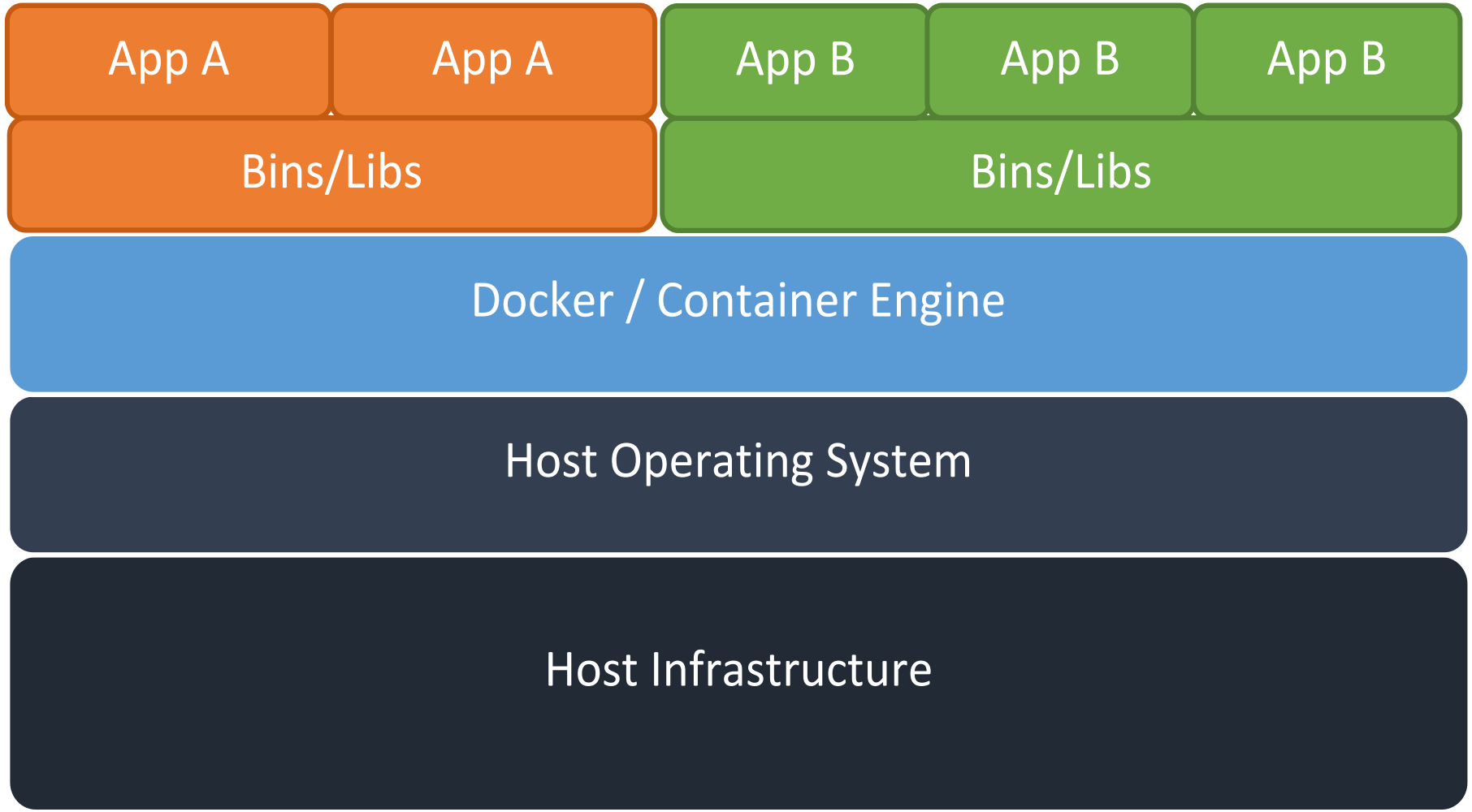


https://www.docker.com/what-container

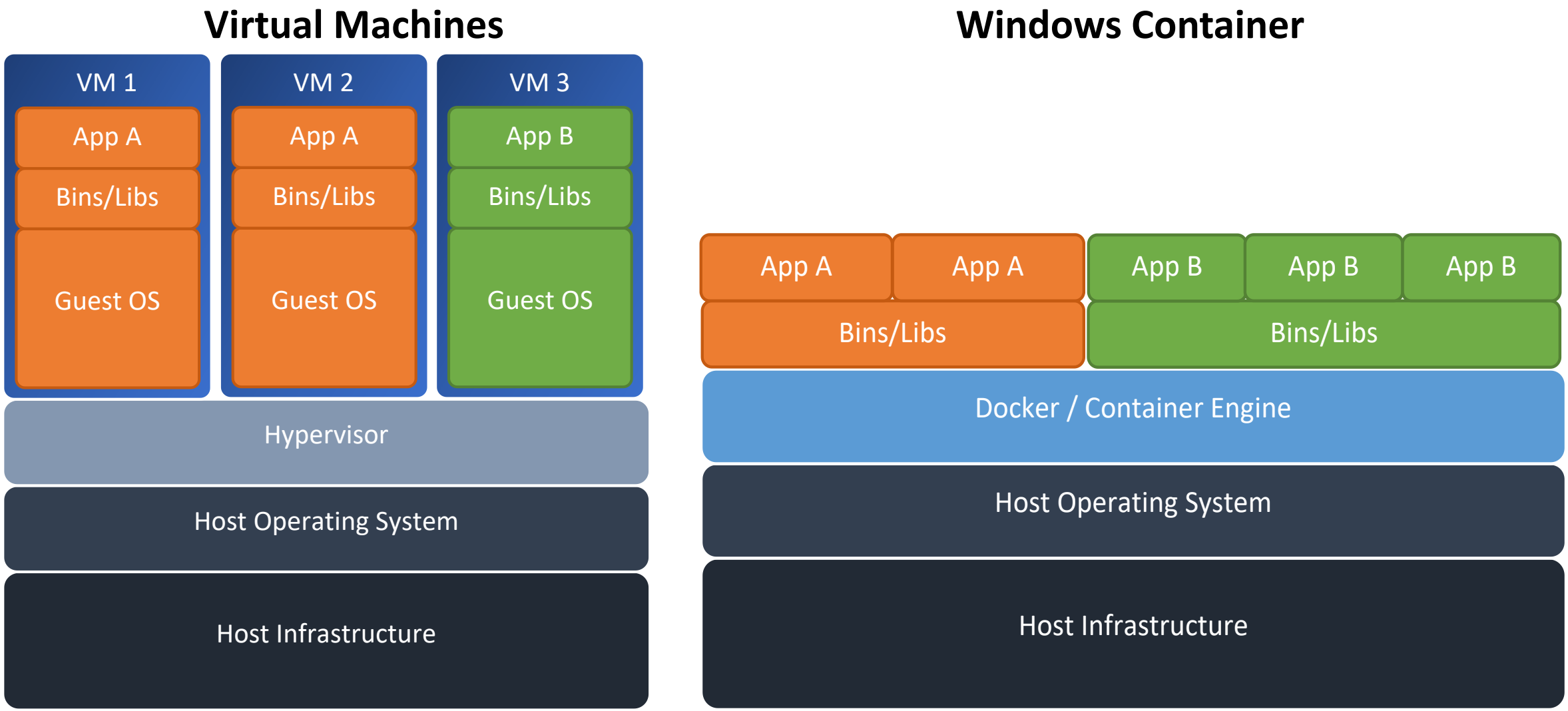
Container Terminology – The Basics

- **Container Host**
  - Physical or Virtual computer system configured with the Windows Container feature.
- **Container OS Image**
  - Containers are deployed from images. The container OS image is the first layer in potentially many image layers that make up a container. This image provides the operating system environment.
- **Container Image**
  - A container image contains the base operating system, application, and all application dependencies needed to quickly deploy a container.
- **Container Registry**
  - Container images are stored in a container registry, and can be downloaded on demand.
- **Dockerfile**
  - Dockerfiles are used to automate the creation of container images.

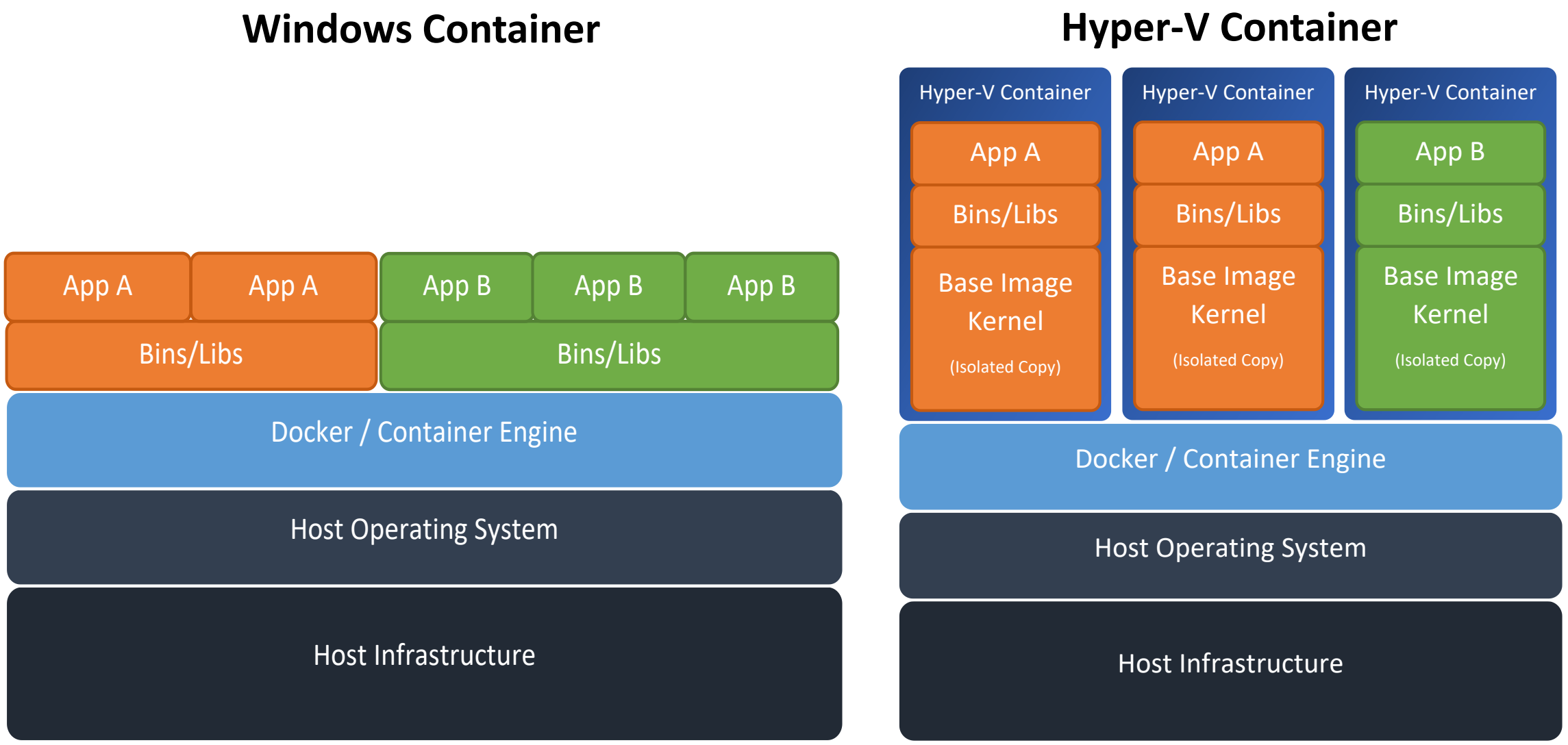
Container Overview



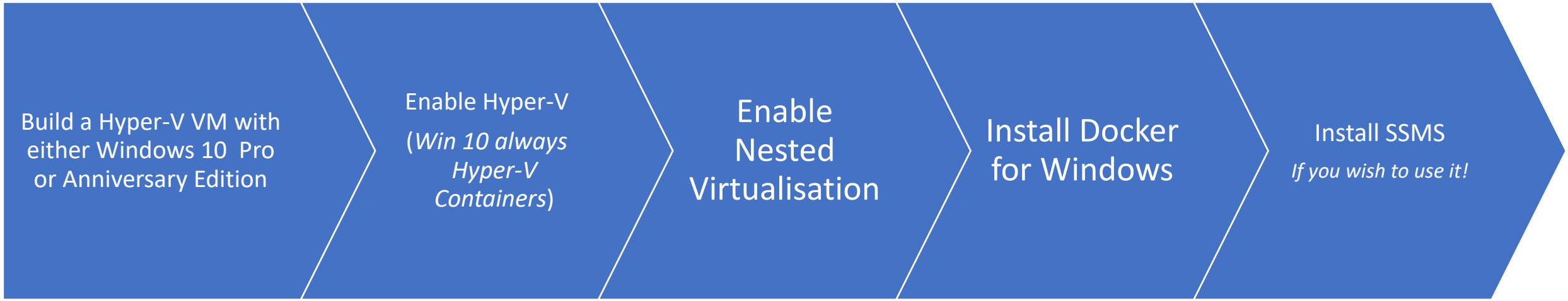
Virtual Machine vs Windows Container



Windows Containers vs Hyper-V Containers



Hyper-V Setup – Windows 10 Pro



SQL on Linux Container DEMO

Conclusion

Good

- Docker provides a facility to quickly provision environments
- Consolidation and Resource savings can be exceptional
- Docker Hub has 10000's of publicly available repositories / images

Not so good

- Storage fiddly / not user friendly
- Lack of monitoring via Docker
  - TP tools available – cAdvisor
- Platform Independency still in its infancy
  - Windows Docker Service

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