

Containers, Docker, and Microservices

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- Grumpy French DevOps
 - Go away or I will replace you with a very small shell script
- Runs everything in containers
 - Docker-in-Docker
 - VPN-in-Docker
 - KVM-in-Docker
 - Xorg-in-Docker

- ...

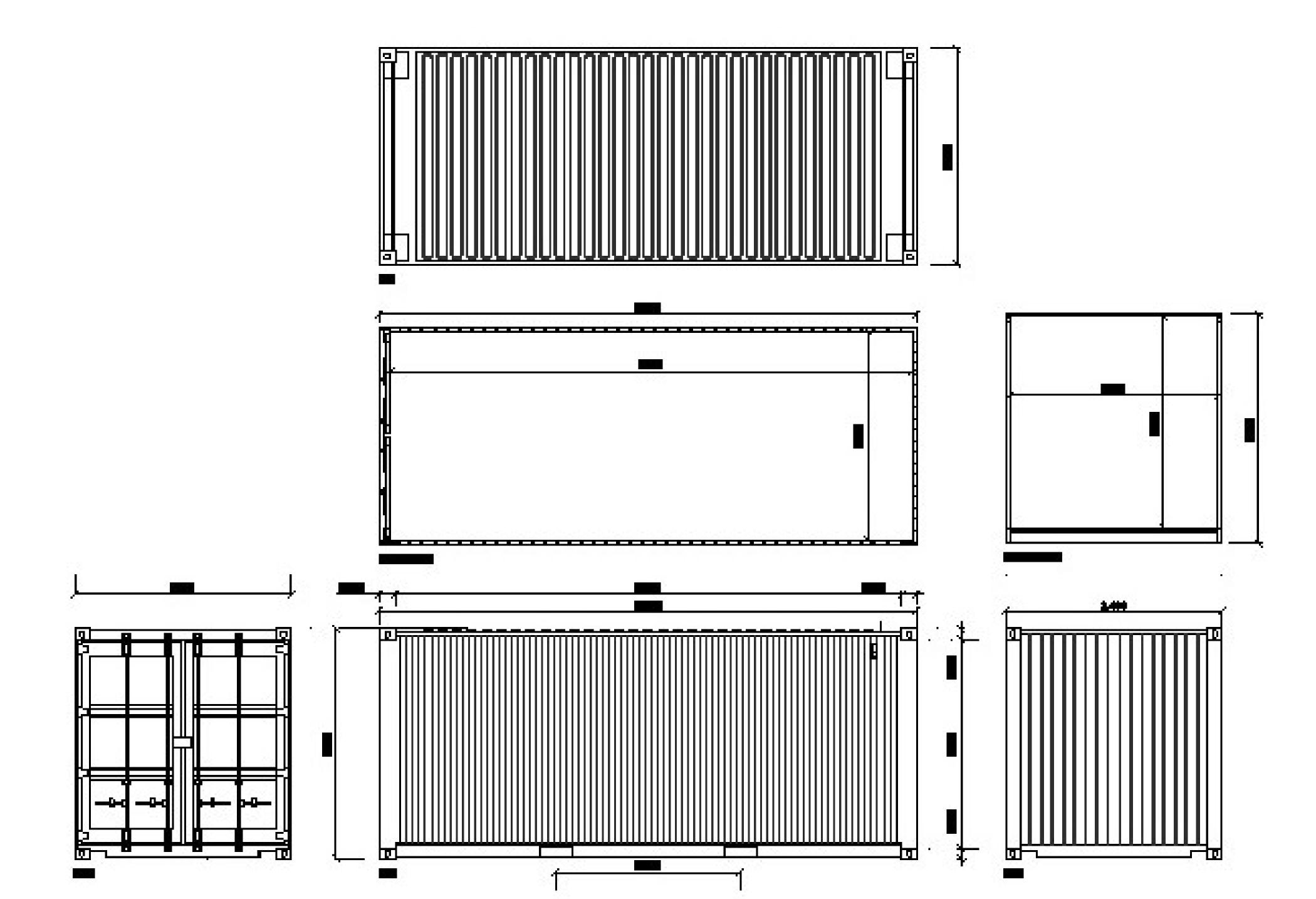


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- Built and scaled dotCloud
- PAAS with 106 services (I counted them!)
 - some examples: hosts, nats, containers, builds, snapshots, metrics, billing, user permissions, infrastructure management, logs,







outline

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- Why microservices?
- What's the challenge?
- How does Docker help?
- Getting started with stacks of containers

why microservices

What is a microservice architecture?

- Break big application down into many small services
- Example: e-commerce
 - web front-end
 - catalog of products
 - inventory/stock management
 - shipping calculator
 - payment processor
 - billing/invoicing
 - recommendation engine
 - user profiles

Why is this useful?

- Use different stacks for different services (can be seen as both good and bad!)
- Replace (e.g. refactor) individual services easily (service boundary enforces API separation)
- Decouples deployment; requires less coordination (deploy early, deploy often; more agility)
- Helps implementing Jeff Bezos' "two-pizza rule" (many small teams overperform a single big team)
- More effective "ownership" of services

what's the challenge?

Complexity of deploying and operating a distributed system

http://highscalability.com/blog/2014/4/8/microservices-not-a-free-lunch.html

You need a lot of automation

Issues we will not address today

- Fast, efficient RPC calls
 - ZeroRPC
 - Cap'n Proto
 - XMLRPC
 - SOAP
 - Dnode
 - REST
 - Queues (like AMQP), for long-running/async operations

Issues we will not address today

- How to break application down in small parts
 - this is not always easy
 - try to get help from people who have already done it
 - but: it helps to achieve a better architecture (I promise)

Issues we could address today

- Our app is now spread across multiple services
- Those services might (will) end up on many machines
- Some of those services might (will) be scaled out
- Consequences:
 - our services will have to discover each other's location
 - we will have to learn about load balancing

Issues we will address today

- We're deploying 42 microservices instead of 1 app
- We want to be able to deploy often
- Obvious consequence: our deploy process must rock
 - it must be fast
 - it must be reliable
 - it must be automated

how does Docker help?

the big picture

Docker's mission

build, ship, and run any application, anywhere

Say again?

- Build: package your application in a container
- Ship: move that container from a machine to another
- Run: execute that container (i.e. your application)
- Any application: anything that runs on Linux
- Anywhere: local VM, cloud instance, bare metal...

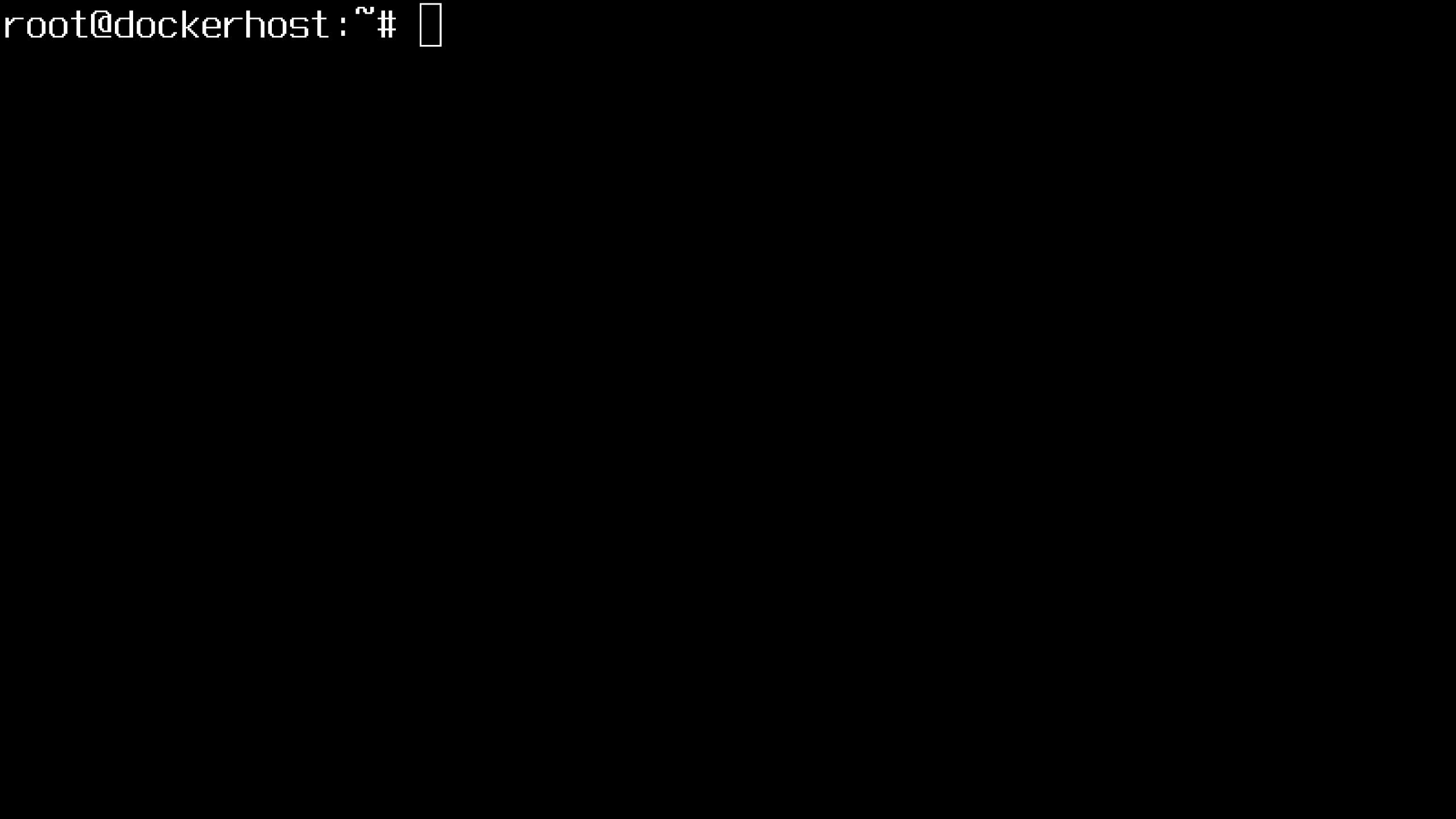
Dockerfile

```
FROM ubuntu:14.04
MAINTAINER Docker Team <education@docker.com>
RUN apt-get update
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RUN apt-get install -y nginx
RUN echo 'Hi, I am in your container' \
>/usr/share/nginx/html/index.html

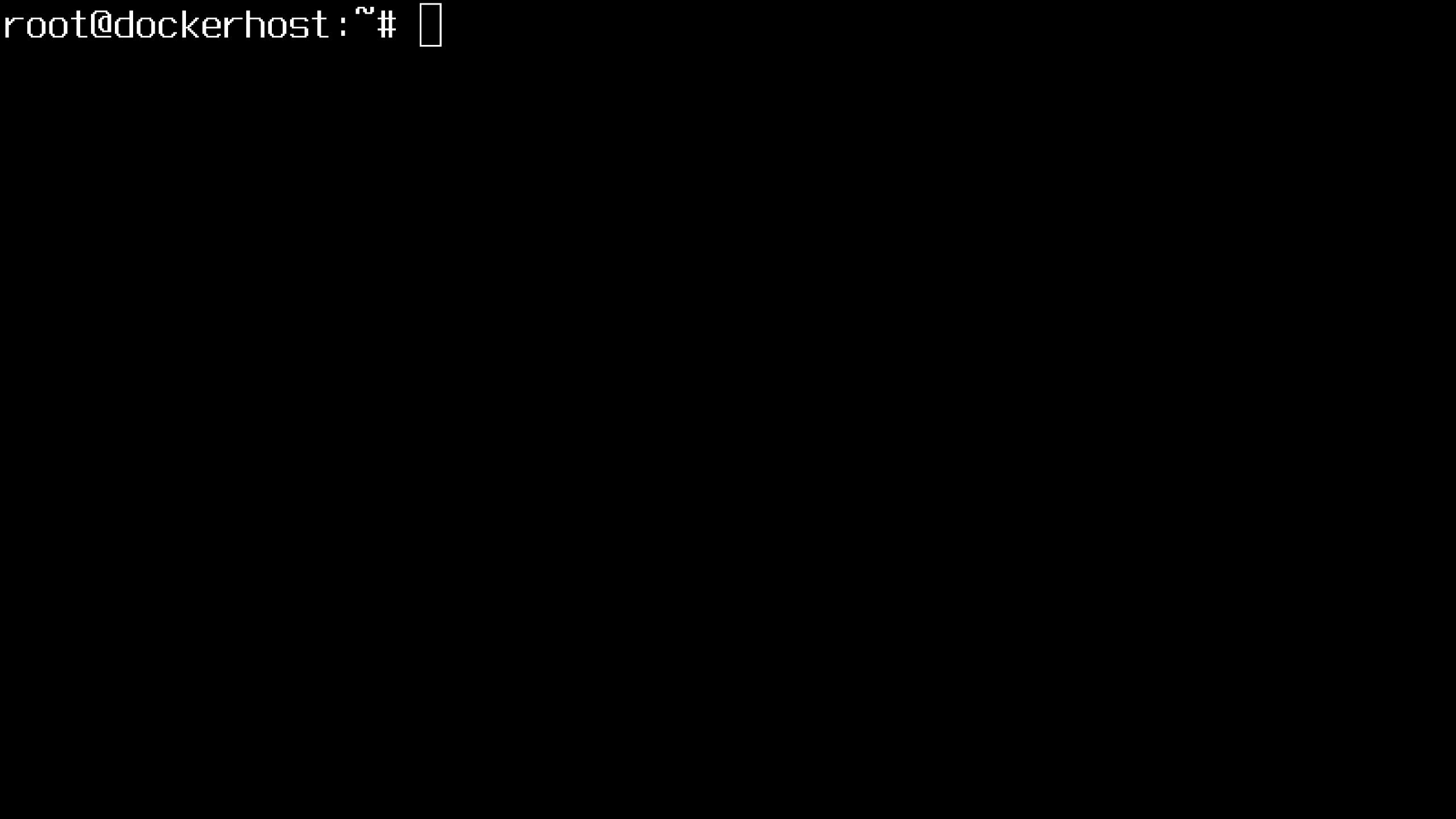
```
CMD [ "nginx", "-g", "daemon off;" ]
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EXPOSE 80



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- It's magic!



Execution is fast and lightweight

Let's look at a few benchmarks

Benchmark: container creation

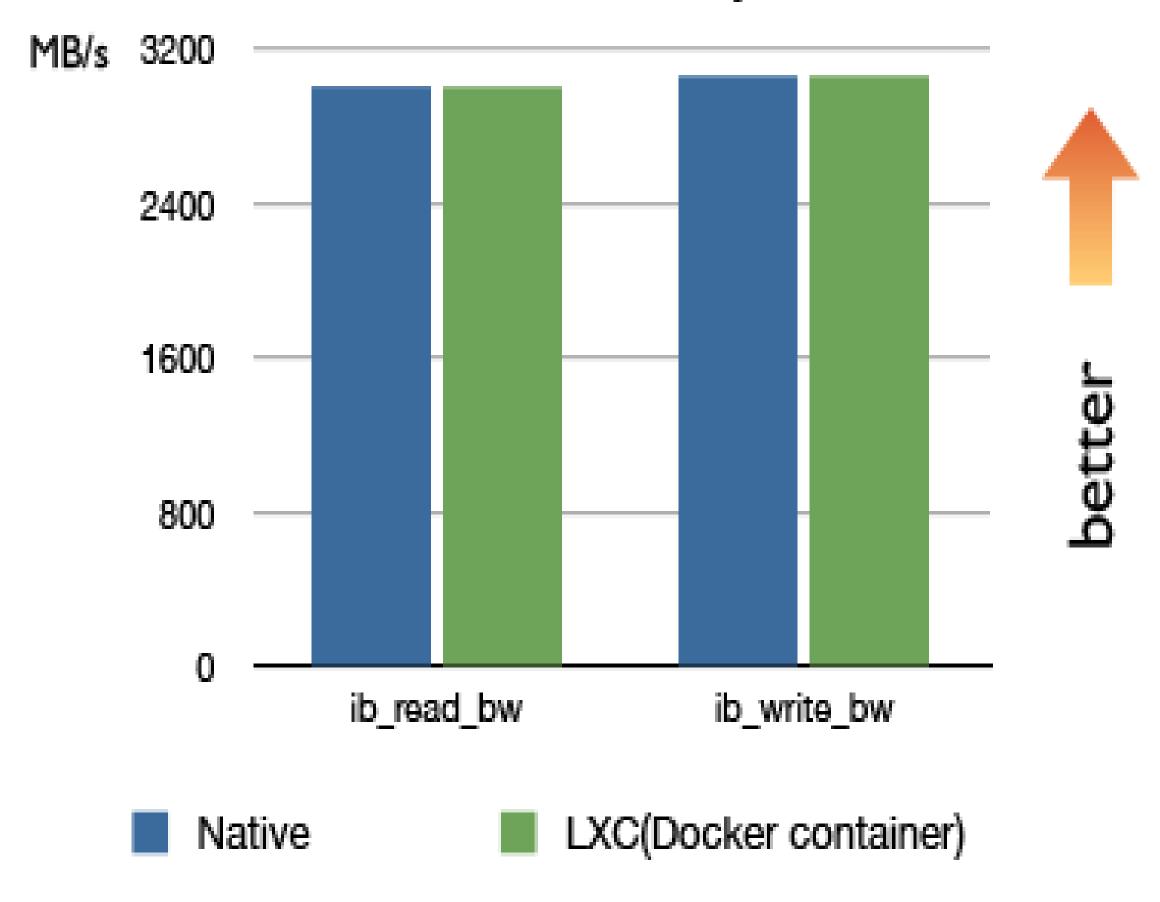
\$ time docker run ubuntu echo hello world hello world real 0m0.258s

Disk usage: less than 100 kB

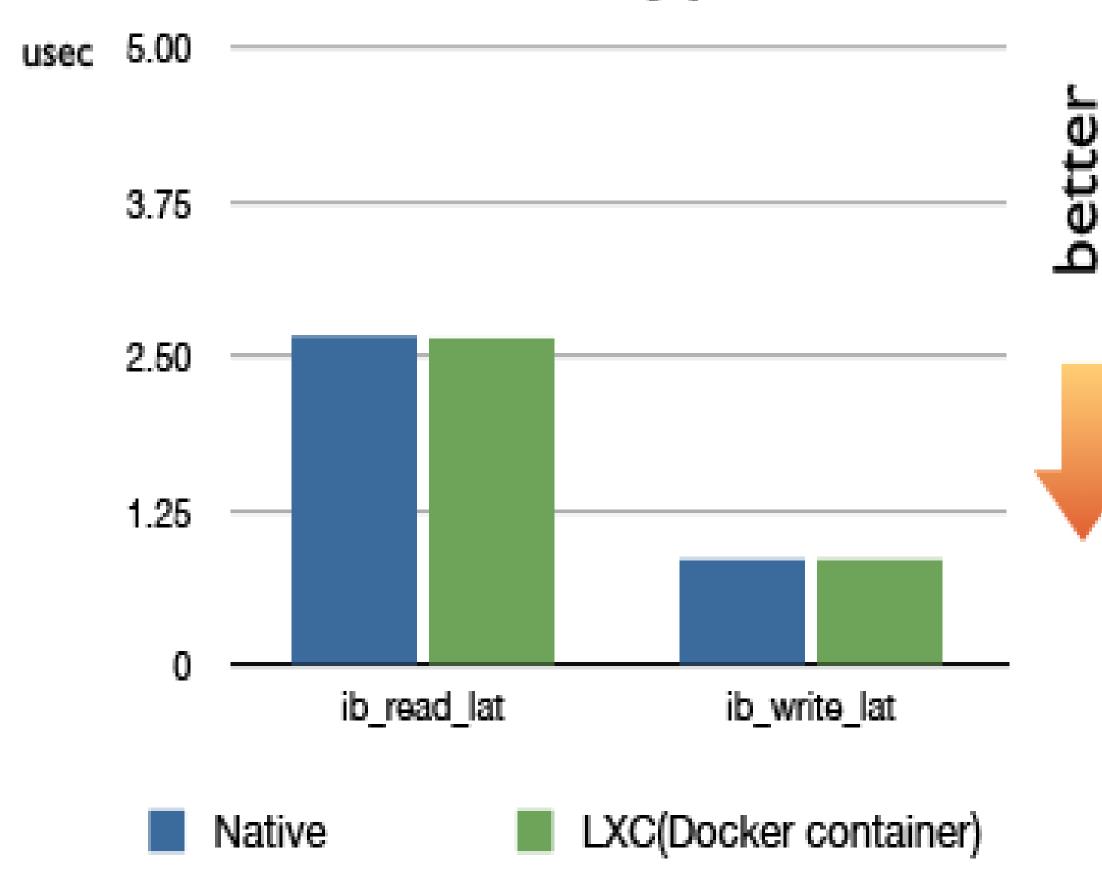
Memory usage: less than 1.5 MB

Benchmark: infiniband

InfiniBand bandwidth performance

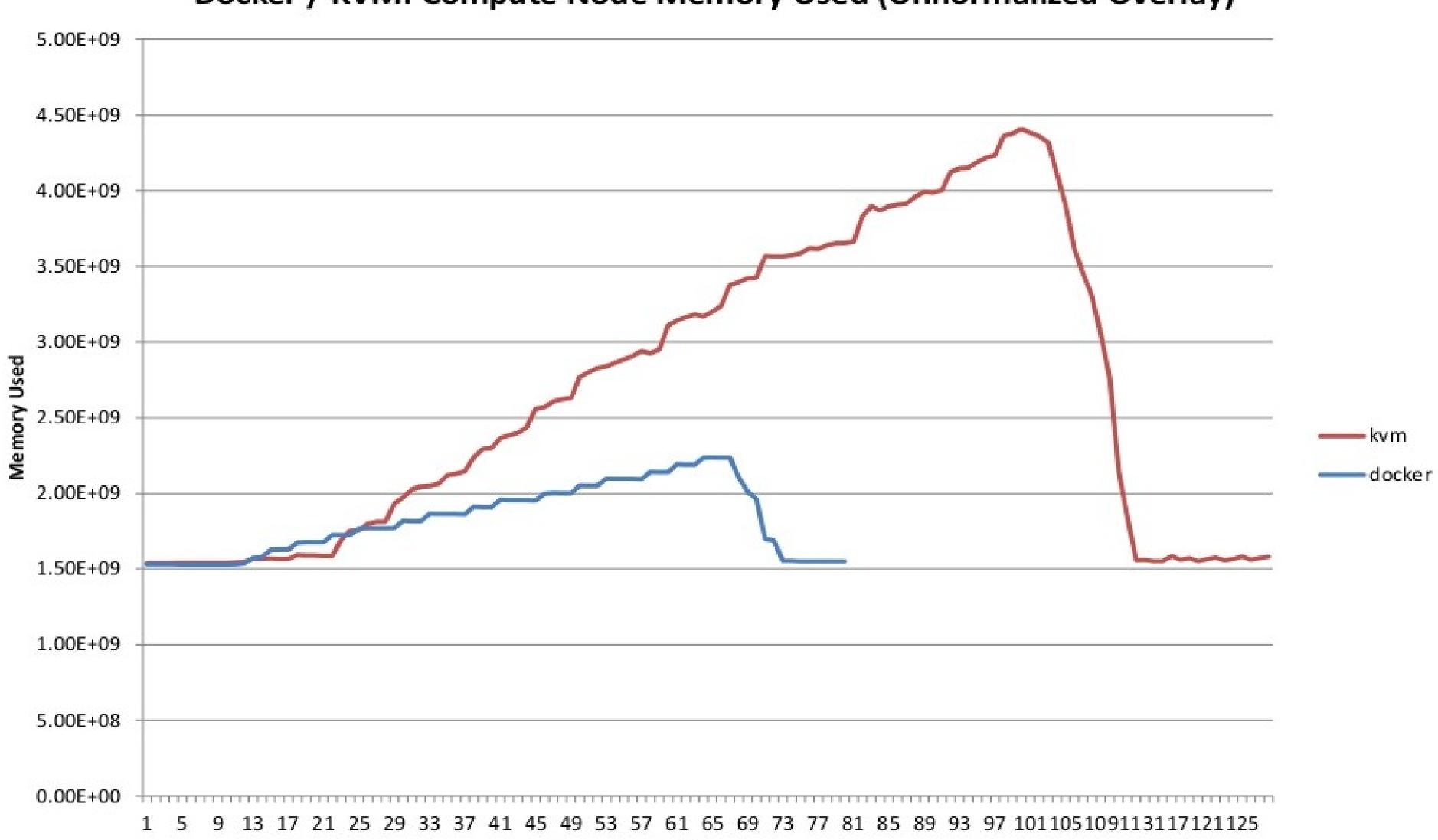


InfiniBand latency performance



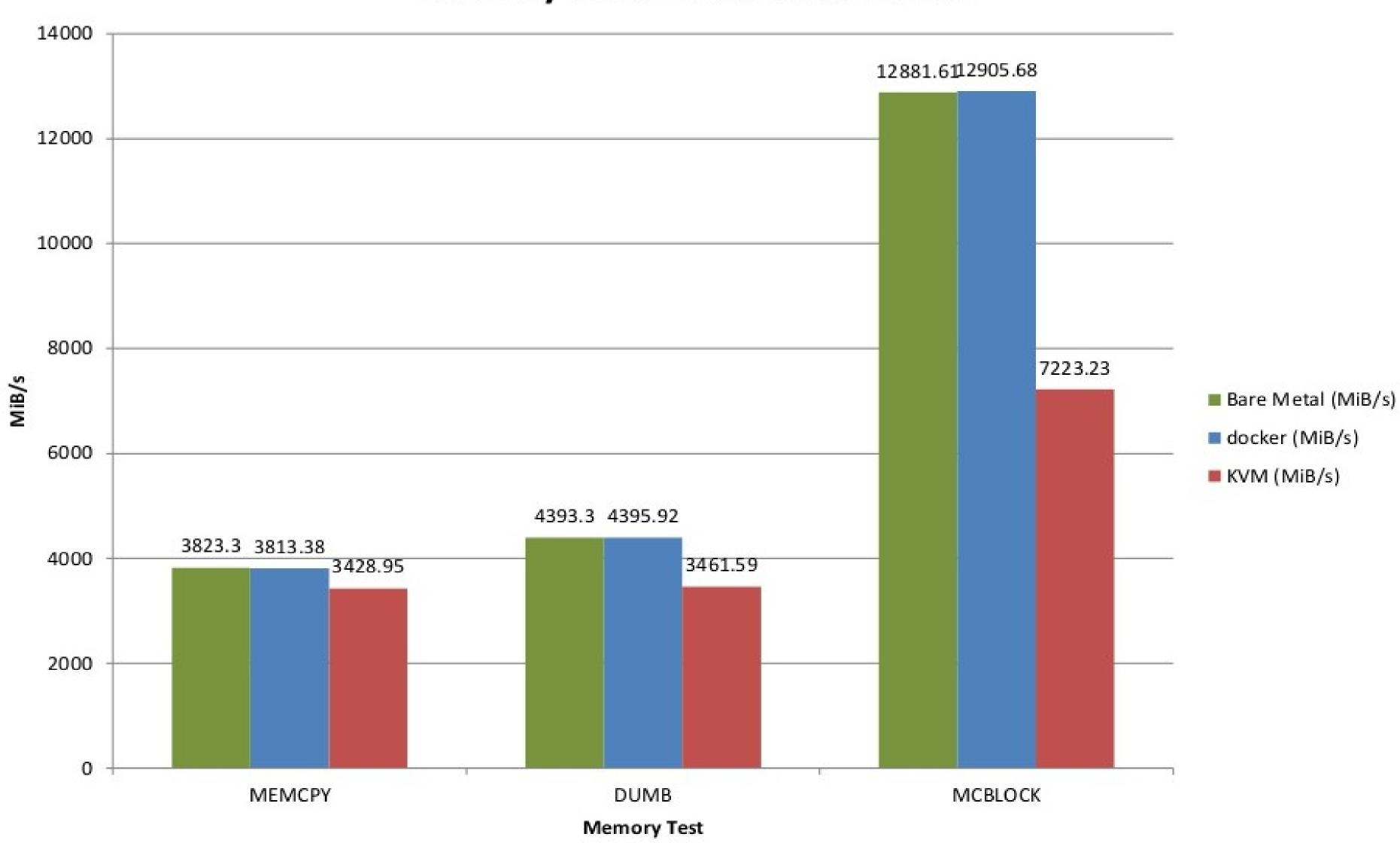
Benchmark: boot OpenStack instances

Docker / KVM: Compute Node Memory Used (Unnormalized Overlay)



Benchmark: memory speed

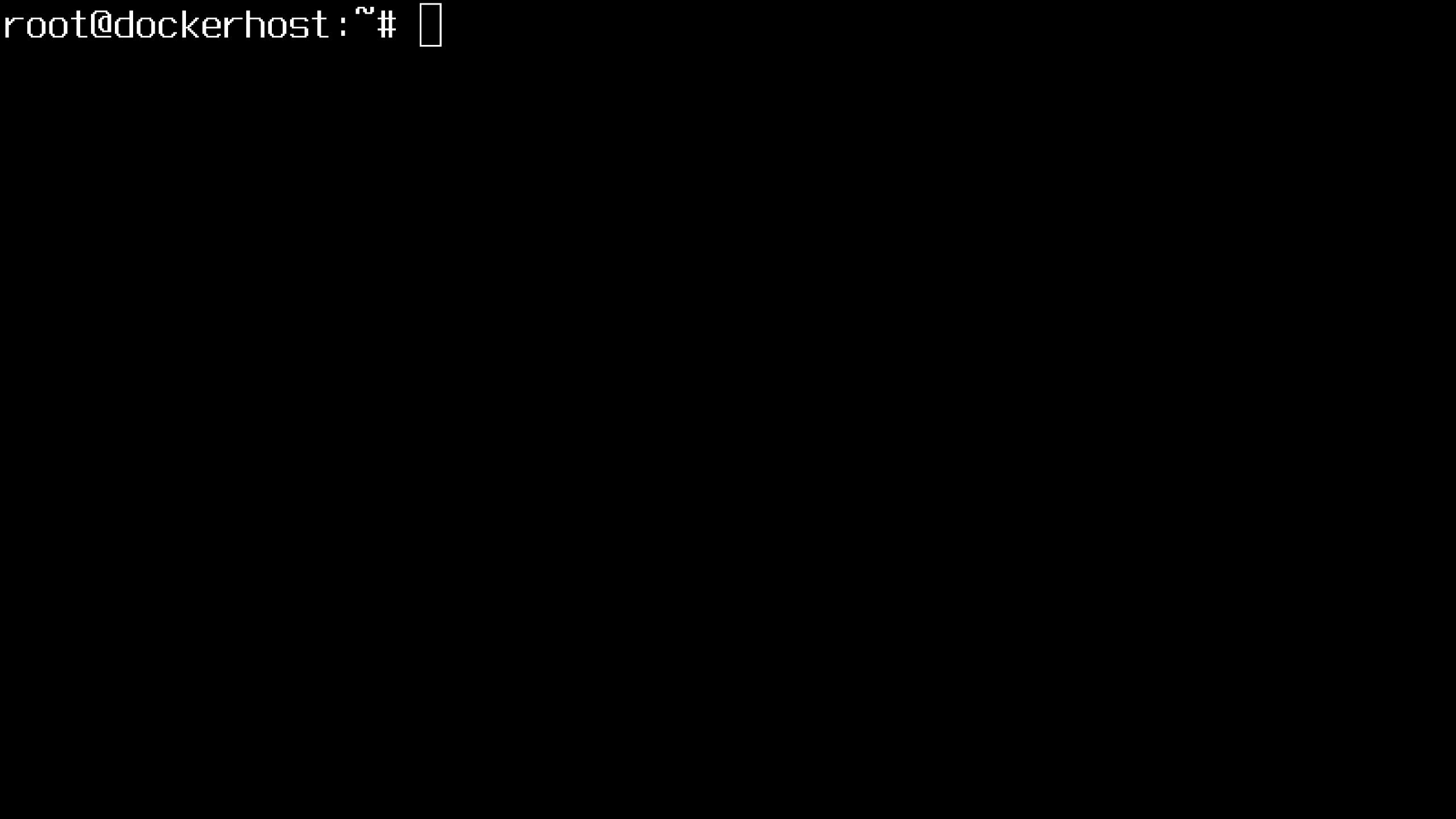
Memory Benchmark Performance





Let's start a few containers

Just for run. Eh, for fun.



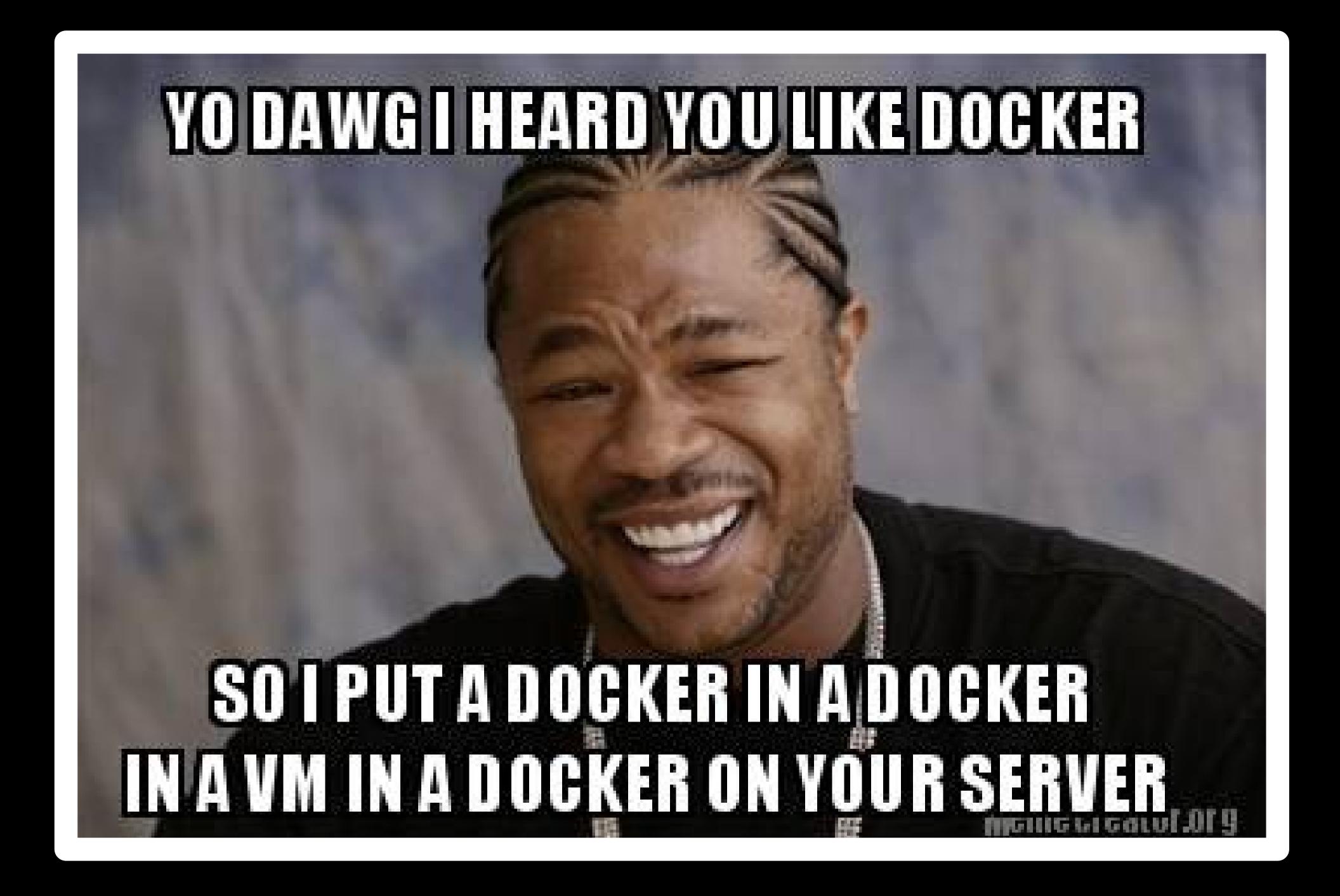
any app

If it runs on Linux, it will run in Docker

- Web apps
- API backends
- Databases (SQL, NoSQL)
- Big data
- Message queues
- And more

If it runs on Linux, it will run in Docker

- Firefox-in-Docker
- Xorg-in-Docker
- VPN-in-Docker
- Firewall-in-Docker
- Docker-in-Docker
- KVM-in-Docker



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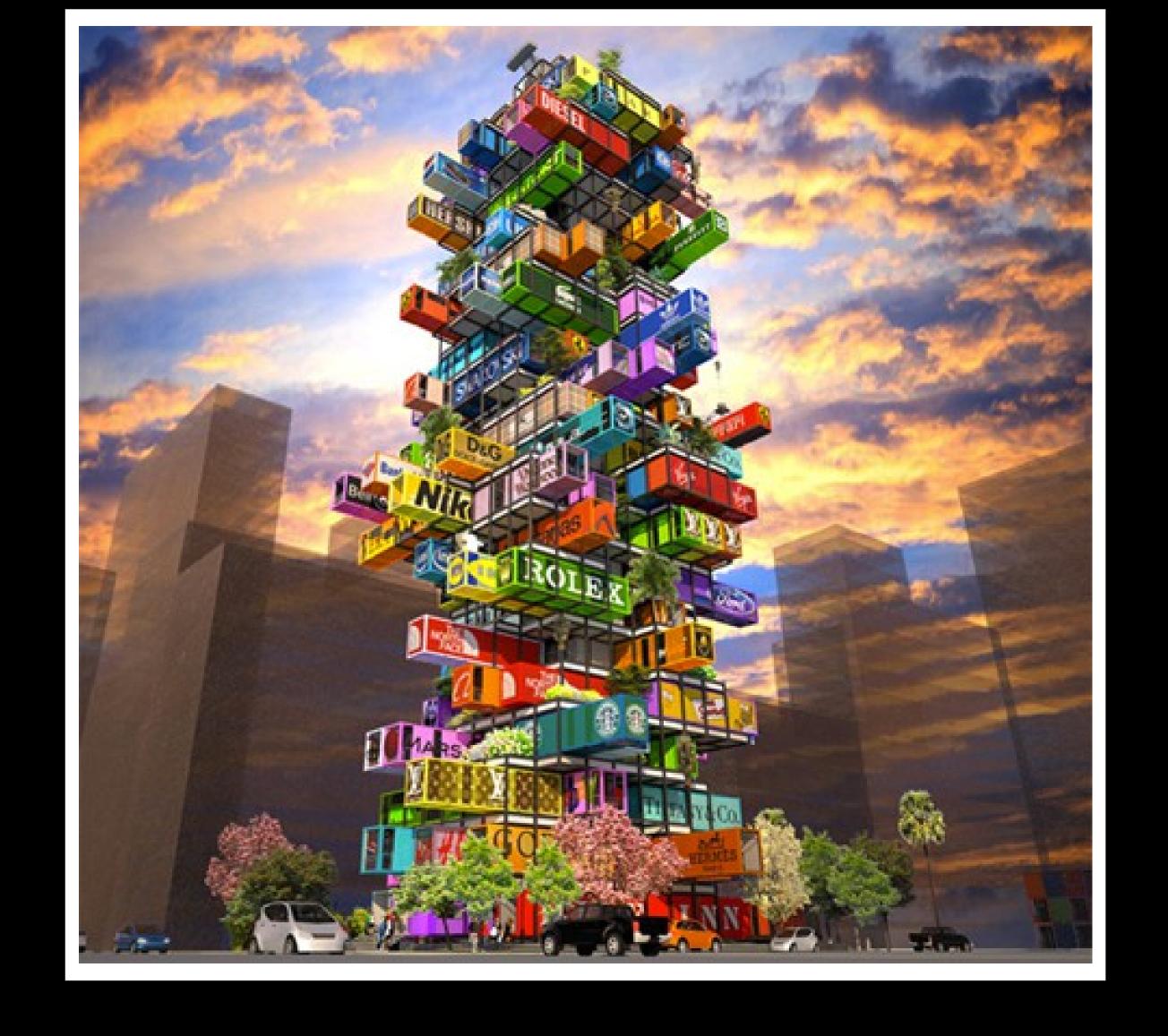
Docker has official support for:

- Intel 64 bits (x86_64) code
- Recent kernels (3.8 and above)
- Coming soon: Windows Containers
 (If you have questions about this, ask Microsoft!)

"Rumors" say that people also run on:

- Intel 32 bits
- -ARM 32 and 64 bits
- MIPS
- Power8
- Older kernels (please don't)

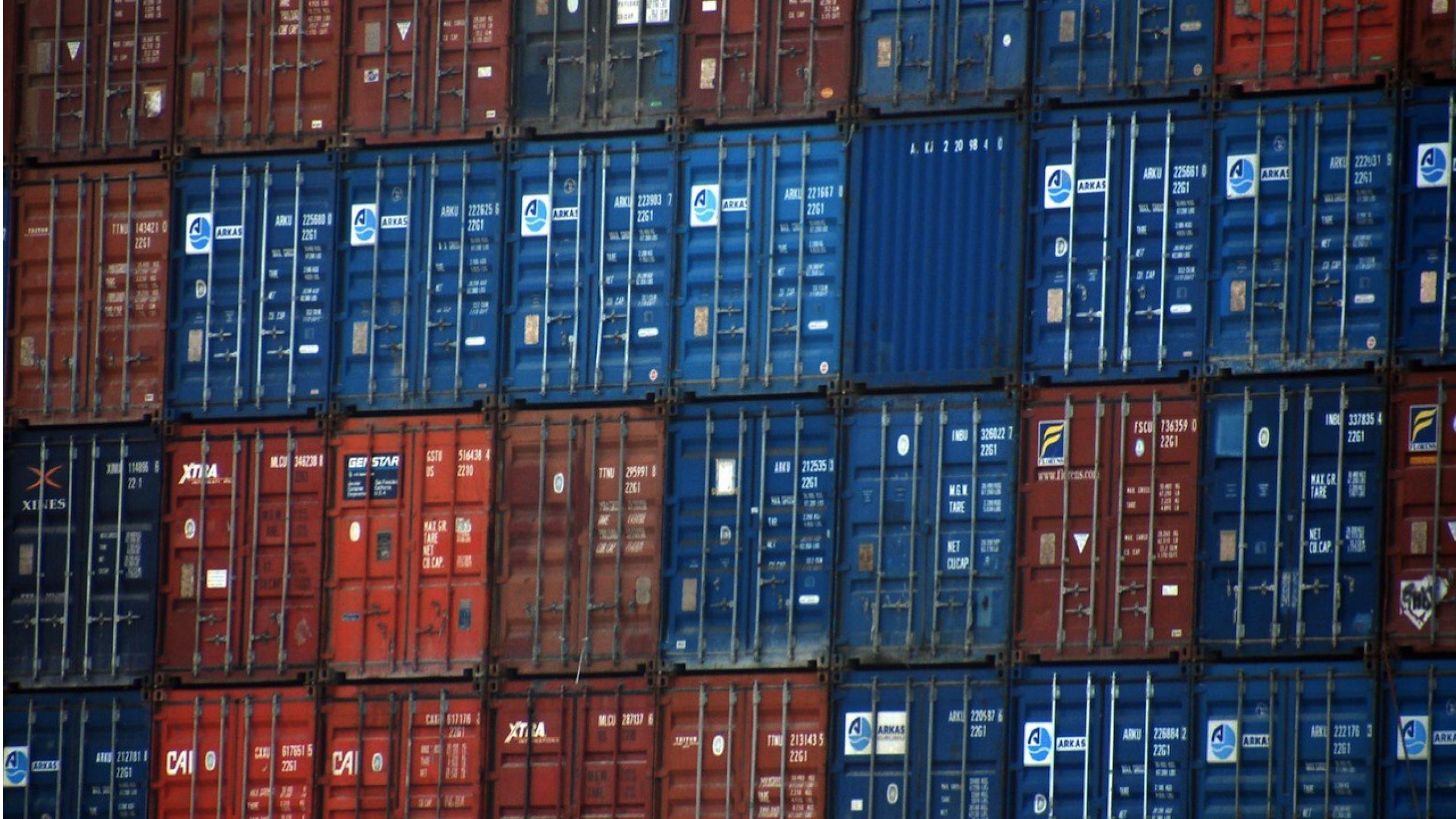
Note: the main issue is that the Docker Hub registry is not arch-aware, and images are not compatible.



CONTAINERS

They're stable, they said. Stack them, they said.

running stacks of containers



First steps

- Online tutorial (in browser, JS based, zero install) http://www.docker.com/tryit/
- boot2docker (25 MB universal VM image) http://boot2docker.io/
- Scary install script curl -sSL https://get.docker.com/ | sh
- We have ordinary packages too!
- And most clouds have Docker images

Checklist

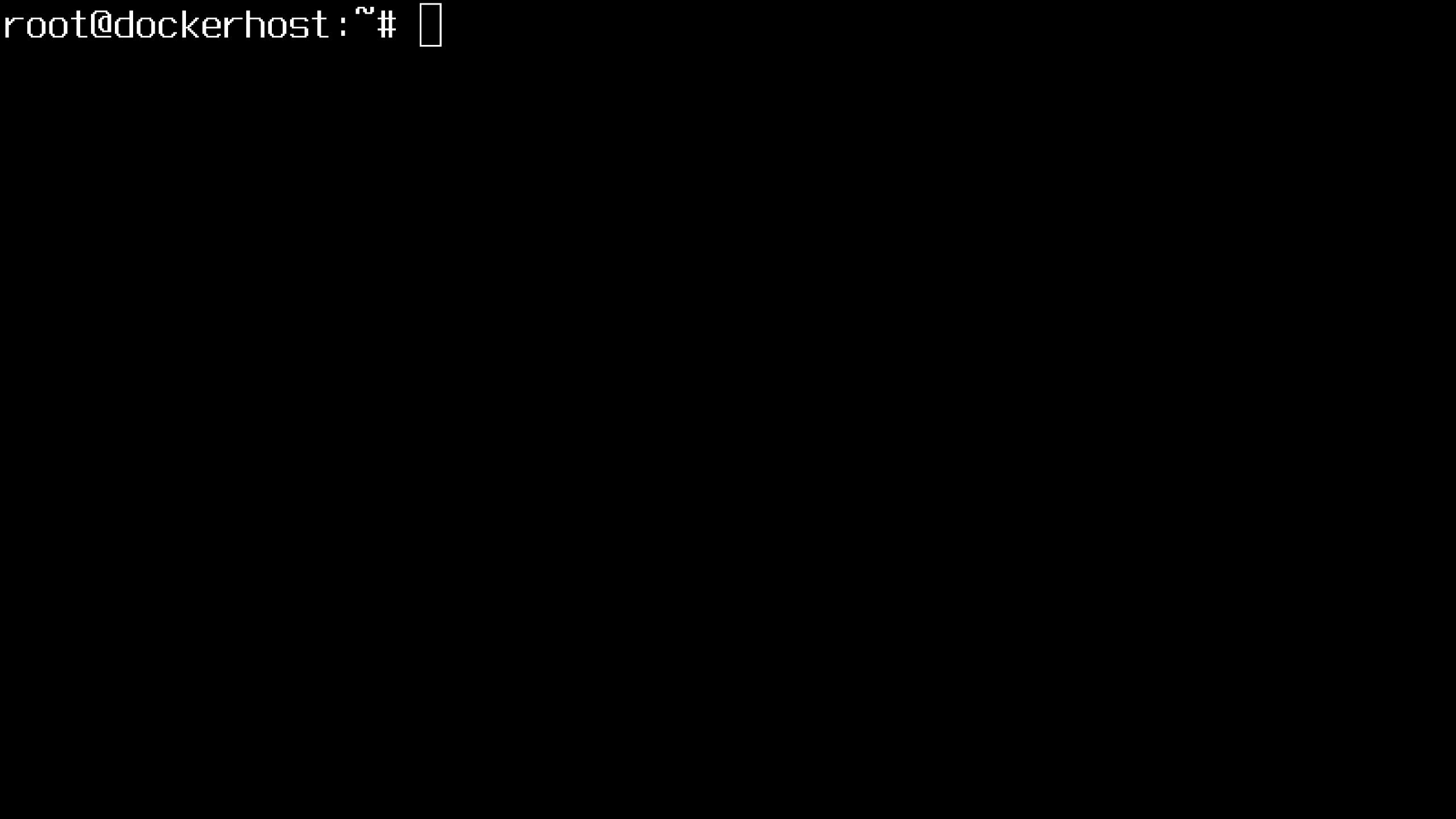
- Install boot2docker
- Run your first container (echo hello world)
- Write your first Dockerfile
- Create your Docker Hub account (free)
- Push image to Docker Hub
- Setup automated build
- Run your first complex app with Fig



Fig

- Run your stack with one command: fig up
- Describe your stack with one file: fig.yml
- Example: run a (one node) Mesos cluster
 - Mesos master
 - Mesos slave
 - Volt framework

```
master:
  image: redjack/mesos-master
  command: mesos-master --work_dir=/mesos
  ports:
    - 5050:5050
slave:
  image: redjack/mesos-slave
  links:
    - master:master
  command: mesos-slave --master=master:5050 --containerizers=docker,mesos
  volumes:
    - /sys/fs/cgroup:/sys/fs/cgroup
    - /var/run/docker.sock:/var/run/docker.sock
    - /usr/bin/docker:/bin/docker
volt:
  image: volt/volt
  links:
      master:master
  command: --master=master:5050
  ports:
    - 8080:8080
```











what's next?



Advanced topics

- All Things Docker http://blog.docker.com/
- Running your own private registry https://github.com/docker/docker-registry
- Containers and security http://www.slideshare.net/jpetazzo/docker-linux-containers-lxc-and-security https://medium.com/@ewindisch/on-the-security-of-containers-2c60ffe25a9e
- Service discovery (look for "ambassador pattern")
- ... And more!

thank you! questions?

Would You Like To Know More?

- Get in touch on Freenode #docker #docker-dev
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