

Docker

Docker! Docker is a containerization platform for developing, packaging, shipping, and running applications.

≡ It provides the ability to run an application in an isolated environment called a container.

≡ It makes deployment & development efficient.

→ A container includes :-

≡ Your app's code that way to package an application

≡ Dependencies (like Node, Python) etc.

≡ Environment configuration.

≡ OS-level tools/libraries.

≡ It can be shared easily

This ensures you app runs the same on any system.

But Docker runs the same software-wise, but not the same performance-wise, that depends on the receiver's system hardware.

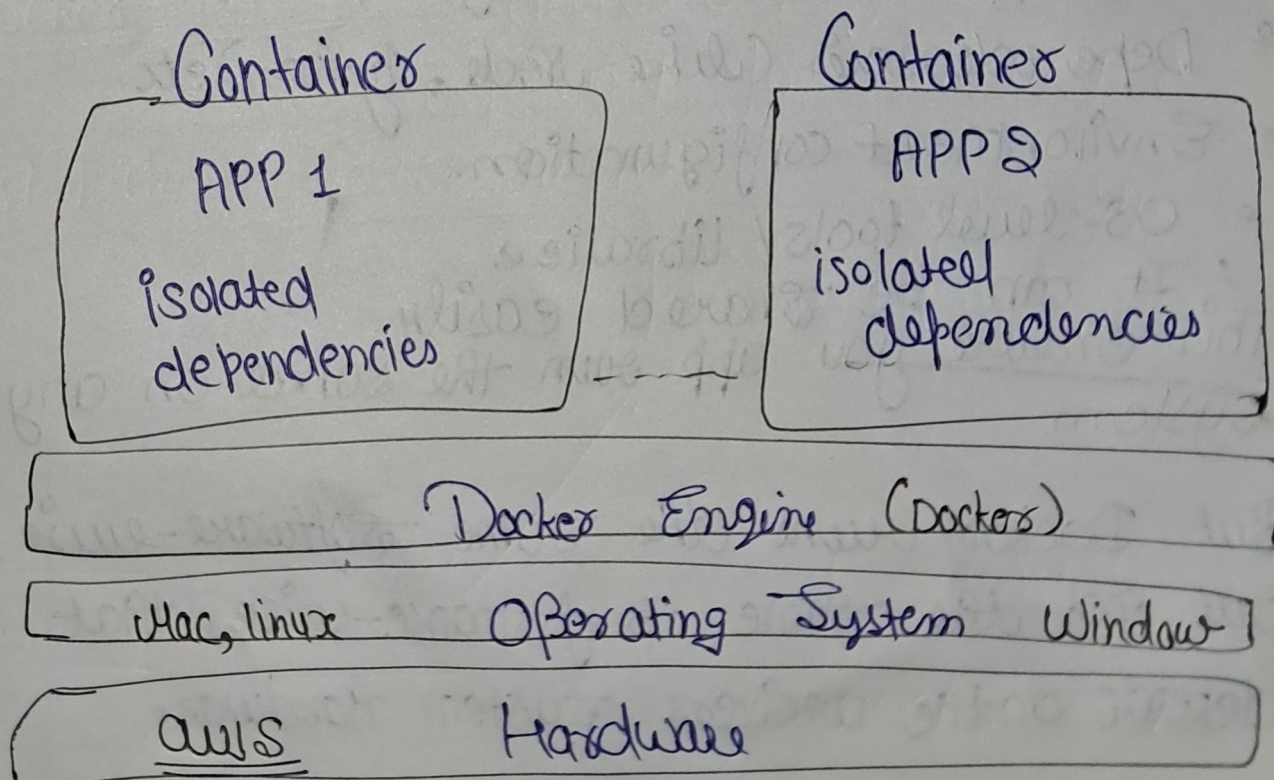
why do we need dockers

Docker lets us package apps with everything they need, so they can run the same everywhere — on the machine, server or cloud — without setup problem.

"It solve the 'It works on my machine problem'"

Architecture of docker

Docker allows you to run multiple apps with different environment (like Node V14 & V16 on the same system, without conflicts — thanks to Containers & docker engine).



Docker V/S VMs

Docker

- Low impact on OS, very fast, low disk space usage.
- Sharing, re-building and distribution is easy.
- Encapsulation apps instead of whole machine.

VMs

- High impact on OS, slower, high disk, space usage.
- Sharing re-building & distribution is challenging.
- Encapsulate whole machine.

Main components of Docker

It is a simple text file

Dockerfile



Image

Single file with all the dep & lib to run the program

Instances of an Image

Containers

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With the instruction to build an image

Key Docker terms

1. Docker file:- A file with instruction to build your docker image.

2. Image:- A packaged version of your application (like a snapshot/blueprint).

3. Container:- A running instance of Docker image.

4. Docker Hub:- Online storage (registry) to upload / share your Docker image.

or

Docker Registry:- A docker registry is a central repository for storing & distributing docker images.

