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What is Docker?

- Platform for developing, deploying and running applications in containers
- Containers comprise of app code + dependencies and nothing more



Why should I use Docker containers?

- Portable
 - The same stack can be run locally and in production
- Interchangeable
 - Breaking up your solutions into separate containers lets you make changes/upgrades quicker
- Lightweight
 - Unlike a VM, containers only take up space needed for app code + dependencies, and nothing else
 - Images, which are defined using small Dockerfiles, create containers



How do I use Docker?

- Installation
- Core concepts
 - Images
 - Containers
 - Volumes & bind mounts
 - Networking



Installation

- For Mac/Windows, use their stable Docker Desktop installer
 - https://www.docker.com/products/docker-desktop
 - You will need to sign up for a Docker Store account
- On all OSes, the default Docker daemon supports Linux containers
 - On Windows, there is the option to switch to a daemon that supports Windows containers
- Note: Docker daemon must run directly on the host OS (i.e. won't work in a VM)

Core Concepts: Images

- Docker builds images into containers by reading a Dockerfile
- Dockerfiles are just text files with instructions on each line
 - Each line creates a read-only, cacheable layer
 - This means subsequent builds only perform instructions that are new/changed

```
FROM ubuntu:15.04
COPY . /app
RUN make /app
CMD python /app/app.py
```



Core Concepts: Containers

- Running an image creates a container
 - Internally, this is a writable layer written on top of your read-only image layers
- Can be started, stopped, destroyed
 - Stopped containers persist file changes made during runtime
 - Destroyed containers effectively means that the writable layer is deleted



Core Concepts: Volumes & bind mounts

- Both data persistence options help decouple data from containers
- Volumes
 - Data persistence that is managed by Docker
 - Can be shared amongst multiple containers
 - OS-agnostic
- Bind mounts
 - Mount a host file/directory into a container's
 - Host OS filesystem should be the same as the container's



Core Concepts: Networking

- Usually only a concern if you are managing multiple containers and/or Docker daemons
- Network drivers:
 - Bridge: default driver, isolates containers from the host network; ports can be mapped
 - Overlay: allows multiple Docker daemons on different host networks to coordinate as a Docker Swarm
 - There are others, but they're seldom used
 - https://docs.docker.com/network/



Docker @ DevFacto

- I am currently using Docker Compose!
 - PHP, ASP.NET Core, MySQL, nginx, certbot
 - Docker Swarm and Kubernetes are happening soon™
- Other colleagues have been helping their clients roll out Kubernetes and Swarm stacks



Further Learning

- Docker
 - Get started with Docker
- ASP.NET Core:
 - <u>Develop ASP.NET Core Applications in a Container</u>
 - dotnet-watch within a container
- Windows Containers
 - On Windows Containers
 - Modernizing .NET Framework apps with Docker



