

Deep dive into “Docker 106”

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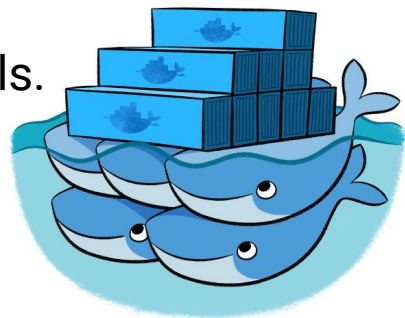
Docker

- **Solomon Hykes** who invented the Docker.
- Open source project started by **eponymous** company
- Started initially as **dotcloud**



Docker Container

- A set of platform as a service
- Use OS-level virtualization
- Isolated from one another
- Bundle their own software, libraries and configuration files
- Communicate with each other through well-defined channels.



Features

Simplicity and Faster Configurations

Lightweight compare to virtualization

Run within host machine's kernel.

Run an application in a loosely isolated environment

Rapid Deployment

Alternatives for Hypervisor-based virtual machines

Docker Architecture

Based on client-server architecture.

Docker Client as a Client

- Communicate with more than one daemon

Docker Daemon as a Server

- Communicate with other daemons

Docker objects

Images

- Read-only template with instructions for creating a Docker container.

e.g. Ubuntu with React js application and Nginx.

docker pull ubuntu:latest

Docker objects

Containers

- Runnable instance of an image.

docker run -i -t ubuntu /bin/bash

Services

- Scale containers across multiple Docker daemons.
- Work together as a swarm with managers and workers.

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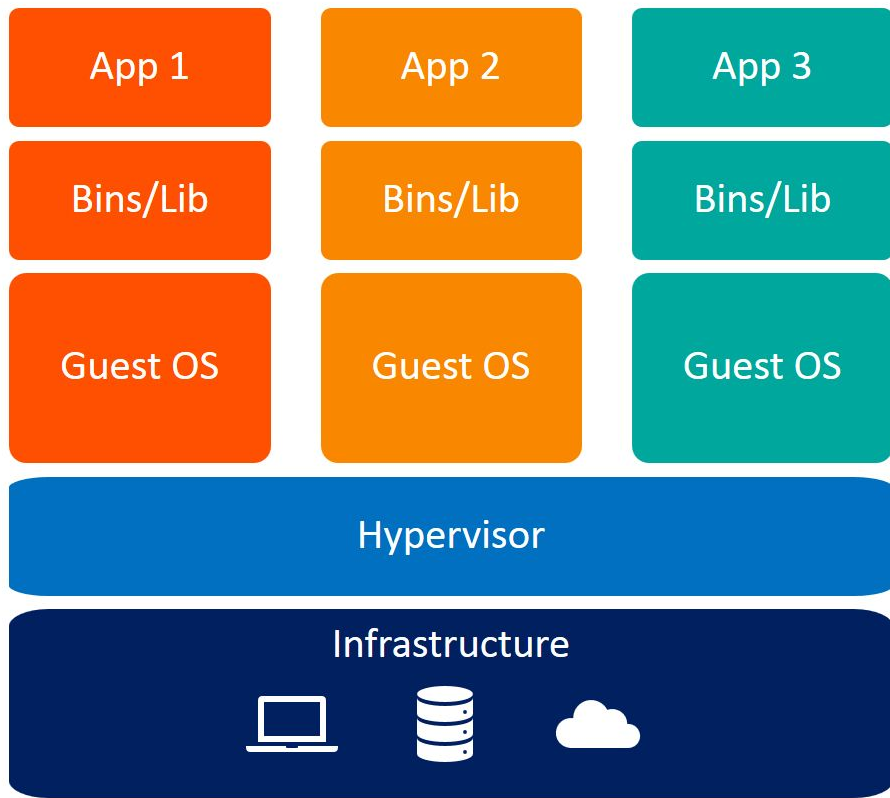
Docker registries

Location to store docker images publicly and privately.

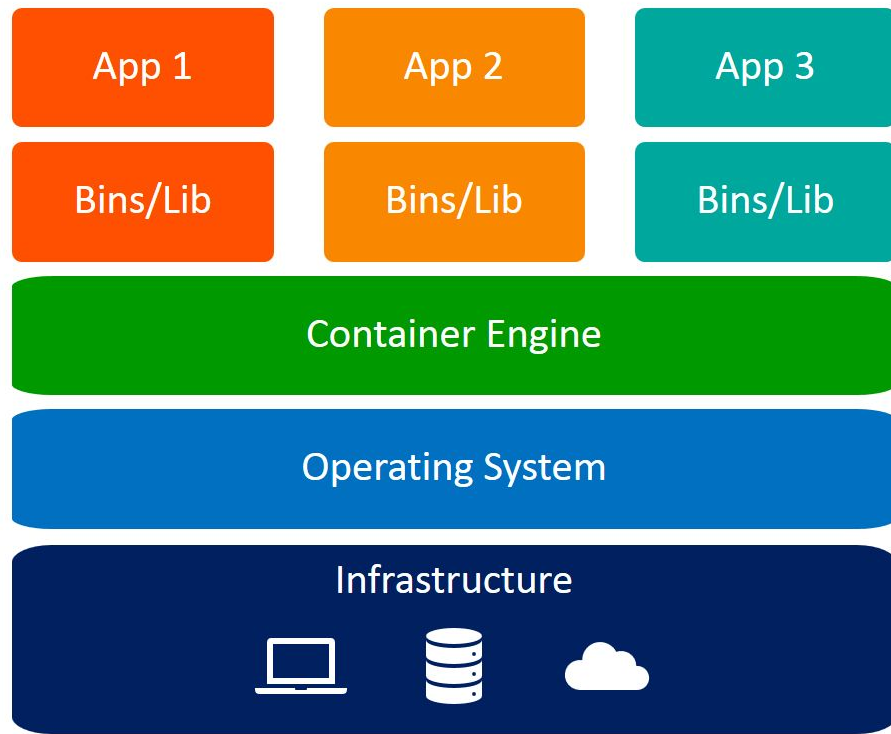
Stores Docker images in **Docker hub**.

Underlying technology

- Namespaces : pid, net, ipc, mnt & uts.
- Control groups: enforce limits on available hardware resources.
- Union file systems: make them very lightweight & fast.
- Container format: Current format is libcontainer.



Virtual Machines



Containers

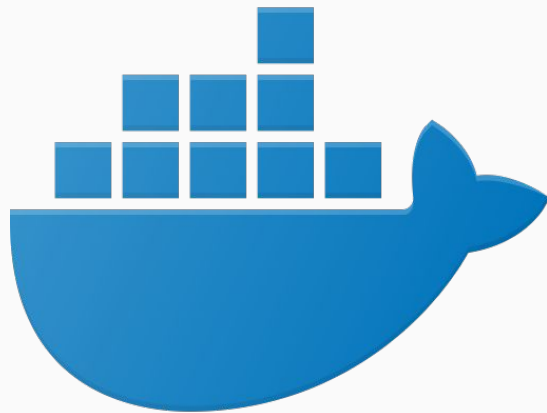
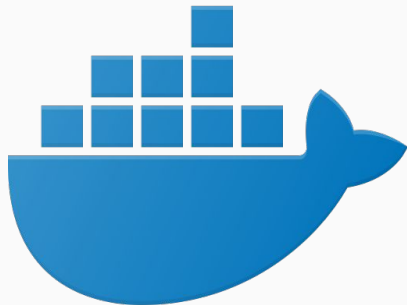
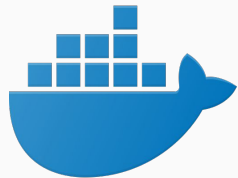
Virtualization

1. Heavyweight VMs are of few GBs
2. Hardware level process isolation
3. Each VM has a separate OS
4. Boots in minutes
5. Ready-made VMs are difficult to find
6. VMs can move to new host easily
7. Creating VM takes a relatively longer time
8. More resource usage
9. Fully isolated and hence more secure

Docker

1. Containers are lightweight (KBs/MBs)
2. OS level process isolation
3. Each container can share OS
4. Boots in seconds
5. Pre-built docker containers are easily available
6. Containers are destroyed and replicated rather than moving
7. Containers can be created in seconds
8. Less resource usage
9. Process-level isolation, possibly less secure

Let's try some docker image to build and run.



Pros and Cons

- Fast and use low resources
- Easy to deploy and extreme application portability
- Eliminating the “Works on My Machine” situation
- Compatible for DevOps and CI/CD

- Isolation
- Security
- Networking
- Slower than hypervisor

Alternatives

Virtualbox

LXC Linux Container

Wox

Rancher

Apache Mesos

Kubernetes

Questions ?

Thank you !