Linux Containers & Docker

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github.com/kobe25/docker-tutorial

Code & Slides here!

Background

Causes of high friction in bootstrapping a project:

- obsolete documentation
- implicit tasks or dependency versions
- too coupled to a specific system
- tricky configuration

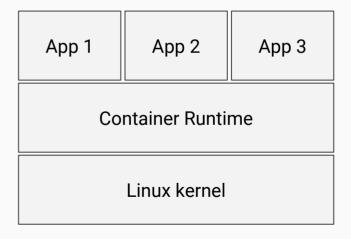
Virtual Machines

App 1	App 2	App 3	
Linux kernel	Linux kernel	Linux kernel	
Hypervisor			
Linux kernel			

- reproducible environment with "configuration management" tools
- great isolation
- full operating system virtualization
- resource overhead

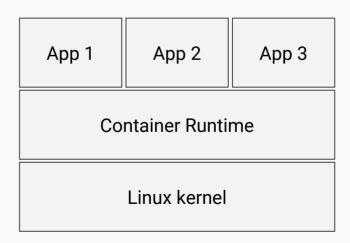
Containers

- native reproducible environment
- good isolation
- only application "virtualization"
- no resource overhead



Virtual Machines vs Containers

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History of Containers

- 2006: cgroups (control groups)
- ...
- 2013: docker
- 2014: rkt, kubernetes
- Today: Google runs ~2 billions containers every week

Docker: just a "container runtime"

- Provides a user-friendly interface to Linux kernel isolation features
- Native on Linux systems, quite integrated with OS X and Windows
- How To Install: https://www.docker.com/products/overview

Isolation

Every container has its own:

- process and memory namespaces
- file system namespace
- IP address and networking

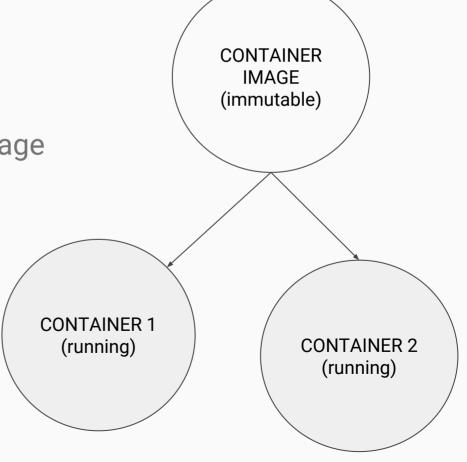
Container Images vs Containers

1. Build a container image

Images are IMMUTABLE

2. Run 1+ container(s) of this image

Containers are RUNNING



Containers in practice!

app.py

```
from flask import Flask
app = Flask(__name__)

@app.route('/')
def hello_world():
    return '<h1>Hello, World!</h1>'
app.run(host='0.0.0.0', port=8000)
```

Dockerfile

```
FROM python:3.5

RUN pip install Flask==0.11.1

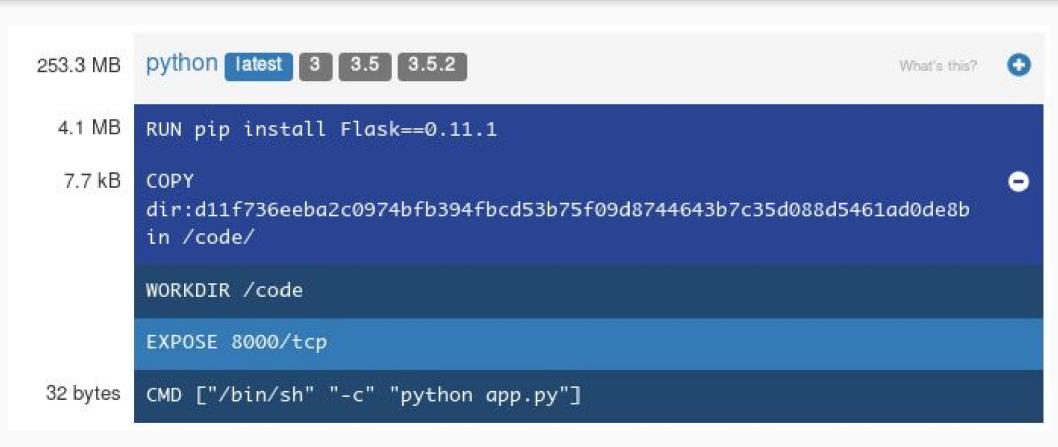
COPY ./ /code/

WORKDIR /code

EXPOSE 8000

CMD python app.py
```

Dockerfile



Show all Docker commands:

\$ docker help

Show container images and container status:

- \$ docker images
- \$ docker ps

Pull a Docker container image:

```
$ docker pull python
```

- \$ docker pull python:3.5
- \$ docker pull kobe25/docker-tutorial:latest
- \$ docker pull quay.io/coreos/etcd:latest

Build a container image:

\$ docker build -t app-image .

Create and start a container:

- \$ docker run --name app app-image
- \$ docker ps

Manage containers:

```
$ docker stop app
```

\$ docker start app

\$ docker rm -f app

Other commands: restart, kill, inspect...

Permissions and Volumes

- container user != host user
- default container user is root
- container root user can do privilege escalation

Good practices:

- use a non-root user
- host UID == container UID (because of file system permission on volume mounts)

Networking

- PTP interface between host and container
- Dedicated bridges between containers (namespacing)
- DNS inside containers (not host)
 - resolving
 - o ping

Resource Constraints

Limit CPU usage:

\$ docker run --cpu-shares=20 mysql

Limit memory usage:

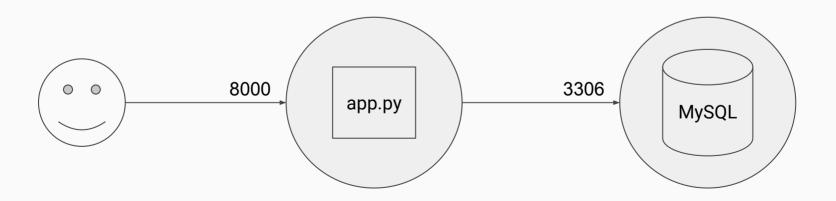
\$ docker run --memory=1024 mysql

Others: network I/O, disk I/O...

Multi-Container Applications

Docker Compose

- Enables multi-container applications
- Offers a user-friendly configuration file



docker-compose.yml

```
version: '2'
services:
    db:
    image: mongo
app:
    build: ./
    volumes: ['.:/code']
    ports: ['127.0.0.1:8000:8000']
    depends_on: ['db']
```

docker-compose command line

Build multiple container images and run a multi-container application:

\$ docker-compose up -d

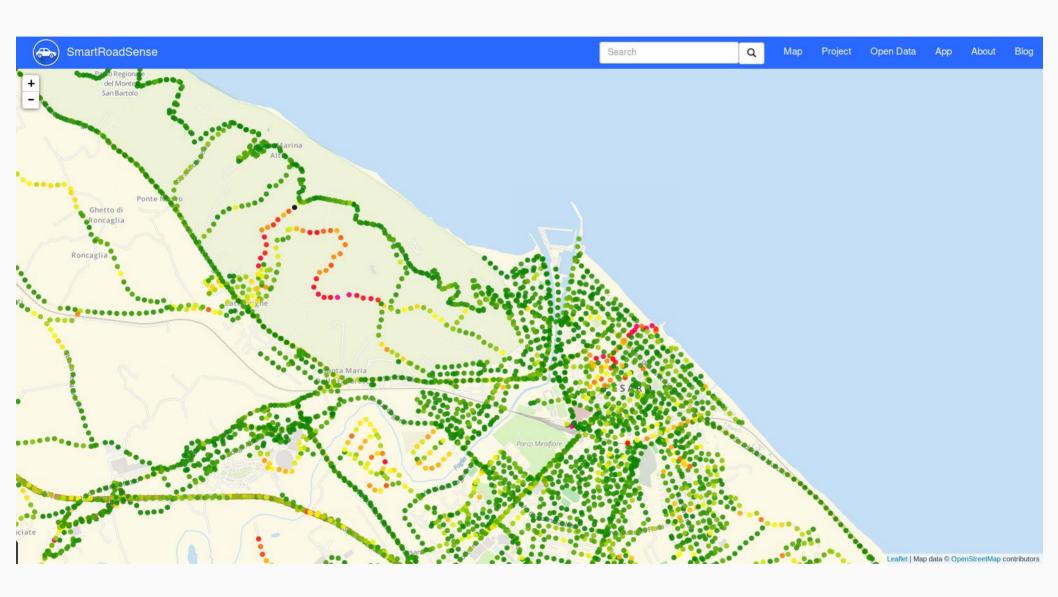
Check current status:

\$ docker-compose ps

Documentation

- Docker Engine (or simply Docker):
 https://docs.docker.com/engine/
- Docker Compose: https://docs.docker.com/compose/

SmartRoadSense.it



SmartRoadSense: a real use case

Persistent Services:

- 3 PostgreSQL/PostGIS
- 1 MySQL
- 5 PHP
- 1 Node.js
- 1 Nginx
- 1 Apache

Scheduled Jobs:

- 2 PHP
- 1 Go
- 1 Bash

On demand:

- 3 database clients
- 1 Node.js

Challenges in Production

- Developers deploy 1+ application(s) to production
- High Availability requires a cluster with 3+ servers
- Optimizing resources

Container "Production Ecosystem"

CoreOS is a GNU/Linux distribution optimized for containers

low overhead, high density

Kubernetes/OpenShift is a Platform as a Service (PaaS)

automating deployment, scaling, and management of containerized applications in server clusters

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