# DevOps and Container Security

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# Agenda

- Introductions
- Purpose of the Panel
- Panelist Container Work
  - Intel
  - Twistlock
  - Lancope
- Discussion on container security and applications
- Questions from the Audience

#### Purpose

- Introduction to containers and their uses
- Different methods of security for containers
- Discussion of what industry is doing



# **Trusted Containers**

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#### Containers

# Lightweight, fast, disposable virtual environments

App portability, maintenance and deployment.

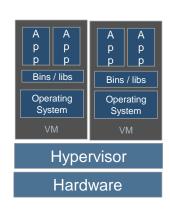
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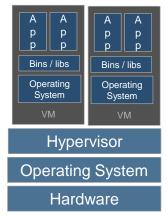
- Set of processes running atop shared kernel
- Isolated from rest of the system (limitations)

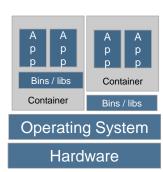
From a distance... looks like a VM (SSH, root access, eth0, mount file systems)

Have been around for 10+ years (Solaris\* containers, Linux\* Containers..)

Efficient way to build, ship, run, deliver apps







Type 1 Hypervisor

Type 2 Hypervisor

**Linux Containers** 

VMs

Containers

**Docker\* Containers commoditized Linux Containers** 



#### What is Docker\*?

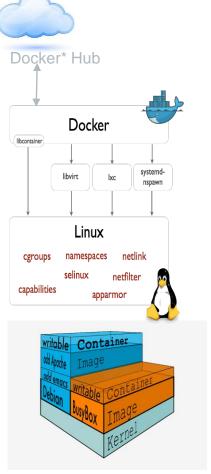
#### Lightweight, open source engine for creating, deploying containers

- Provides work flow for running, building and containerizing apps.
- Separates apps from where they run; enables Micro-services; scale by composition
- Underlying building blocks: Linux\* kernel's namespaces (isolation) + cgroups (resource control) + ..

#### Components of Docker\*

- Docker Engine: Runtime for running, building Docker containers
- Docker Repositories(Hub): SaaS for sharing/managing images
- Docker Images (layers)
  - Images hold Apps. Shareable snapshot of software. Container is a running instance of image.

Orchestration: OpenStack\*, Docker Swarm, Kubernetes\*, Mesos\*, CoreOs Tectonic, Fleet



Docker\* Layers



# Container Security – Key Customer Asks

- 1. Docker\* Host Integrity
- Do you trust the Docker daemon?
- Do you trust the Docker host has booted with Integrity?
- 2. Docker Container Integrity verification
- Who wrote the container image? Do you trust the image? Did the right Image get launched?
- 3. Runtime Protection of containers & Enhanced Isolation
- How can Intel help with runtime Integrity, Isolation?
- Intelligent orchestration OpenStack as singular control plane for Trusted VMs and Containers

Intel's Focus: Hardware-based Integrity Assurance for Containers –
Trusted Docker Containers



#### Trusted Docker\* Containers – 3 Focus Areas

Launch Integrity of Docker\* Host & Docker Engine

Integrity of Docker Images & Containers

Looking ahead...Runtime Integrity of Docker Host, H/w-based enhanced Isolation

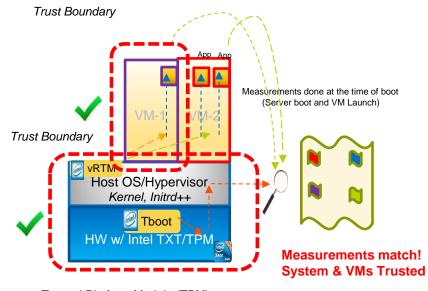


#### Trusted VMs - Summary

Launch VMs on Servers with demonstrated Boot Integrity – **Trusted Boot** 

Chain of Trust to VMs – Trusted VMs

Control where Trusted VMs are launching and migrating: **Boundary Control of VMs** 



Trusted Platform Module (TPM)
Intel® Trusted Execution Technology (Intel® TXT)

**Enable same model and use-cases for Trusted Containers** 



#### Trusted Docker\* Containers - 1

Ensure Docker\* Containers are launched on Trusted **Docker Hosts** 

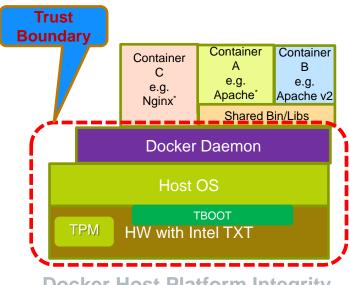
#### Boot-time integrity of the Docker Host

 Measured Launch of Boot Process and components with Intel® Trusted Execution Technology (Intel® TXT)

Docker daemon and associated components added to TCB and Measured

Chain of Trust:  $H/W \rightarrow FW \rightarrow BIOS \rightarrow OS \rightarrow$ **Docker Engine** 

Remote attestation using Intel Cloud Integrity Technology (Attestation Authority)



**Docker Host Platform Integrity** 

Assure and attest the Integrity of Docker host/platform



#### Trusted Docker\* Containers - 2

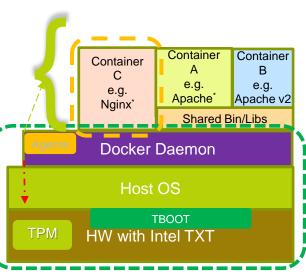
Ensure that Docker\* Images not tampered prior to Launch

#### Two Models:

- Measure and verify Docker images, Chain of Trust: H/W → FW → BIOS → OS → Docker Engine → Docker image layers
- 2. Sign images in Docker Hub. Verify images signature prior to launch with root Cert signature that is 'Sealed' to Intel® Trusted Execution Technology (Intel® TXT) measurements in the Trusted Platform Module (TPM). Can work with Notary\* Docker Content Trust Model.

Boundary Control/Geo-Tagging applies equally to Docker Containers as well for compliance needs

Orchestrator determines location/boundary at launch time



Docker Host & Container Launch Integrity



#### How about Docker\* Containers in VMs?

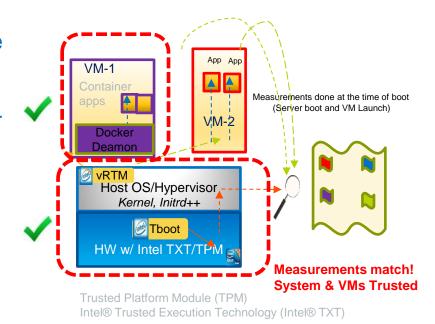
Leverage Trusted VMs for asserting trust of the host, and the VMs.

Include Docker\* Daemon as part of VMs TCB – **measure** and verify Docker Daemon as part of VM launch attestation.

Boot-time integrity of Host + VMM

Integrity assurance of VM and Docker Daemon

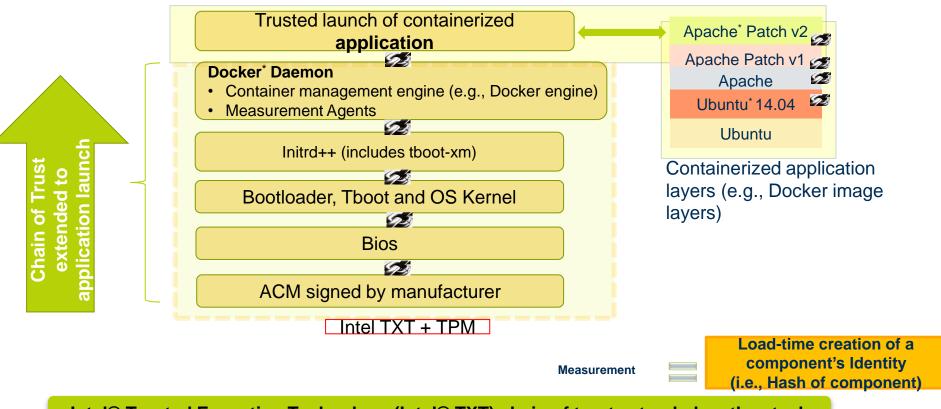
Chain of Trust:  $H/W \rightarrow FW \rightarrow BIOS-OS/VMM-VM \rightarrow Docker Engine$ 



Assure and attest the Integrity of Host and the VM w/ Docker Engine



#### What is Measured for Trusted Containers



Intel® Trusted Execution Technology (Intel® TXT) chain of trust extended up the stack



# Looking Ahead: Hardware-based Runtime Integrity

#### Intel® Kernel Guard Technology (Intel® KGT)

- Policy specification and enforcement framework
- Ensuring runtime integrity of kernel and platform assets

Extends launch-time integrity to run-time integrity

Based on a thin Intel VT-x (VMX-root) layer software component called **xmon** 

- De-privileges OS
- Monitors/controls access to critical assets (CRs, MSRs, Memory Pages..)

Allows specification of policy from user-mode via configfs

 Policy describes assets to be monitored and actions to be taken when monitoring events occur

Policy can be locked down until next reboot

Intel KGT: Flexible, low overhead integrity framework; open source





# Twistlock

# "We're going to build a software layer to make the internet programmable"

# Docker is the best known example...

... but these trends are being driven by the growth of software across all industries and the need to rapidly build, iterate, and improve it

... all major IT players are investing



**Kubernetes V1 Released - Cloud Native Computing Foundation** to Drive Container Innovation

#### Some Growth Statistics

June 2014	June 2015	Growth
460	1,300	183%
6,500	40,000	515%
2,500	43,000	1720%
14,500	150,000	934%
225,000	3,500,000	1,456%
2,750,000	500,000,000	18,082%
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New Windows Server containers and Azure support for Docker

Amazon Web Services PRODUCTS & SERVICES	^
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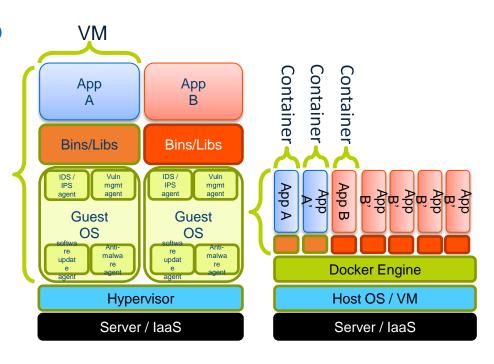
# What are the challenges?

Containers don't keep themselves up to date

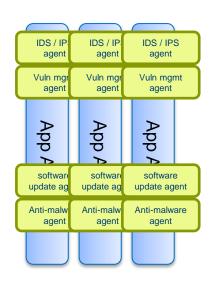
Many more containers but fewer tools for protecting them

Many more, and more diverse, places where your containers run

'All or nothing' administrative model



# Why not existing solutions?



Containers are portable and minimal

Deployment is frictionless

Cramming containers full of agents and tools is antithetical to the model

#### What is Twistlock?

The first security solution built for containerized computing

... that secures the entire lifecycle of containerized apps...

... across all the environments they run in

A company that contributes back to the open source community





# Defend your containers

Vulnerability management, with an intelligence stream of the latest CVEs and proactive defense

Advanced authorization capabilities, including Kerberos support and role based access control

Runtime defense, monitoring container memory space, storage, and networking to detect and block anomalous behaviors

# Purpose built

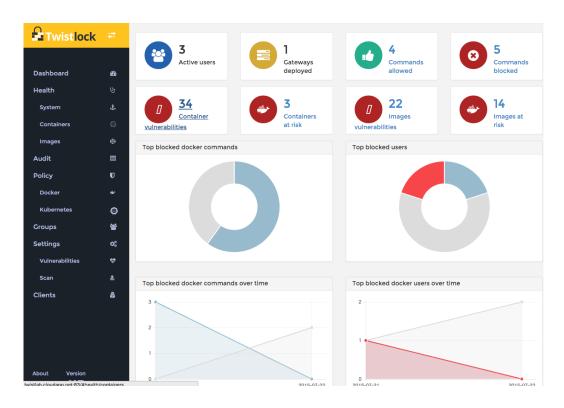
Agentless

Runs anywhere your containers run

API driven for continuous integration



# **Container Security Console**



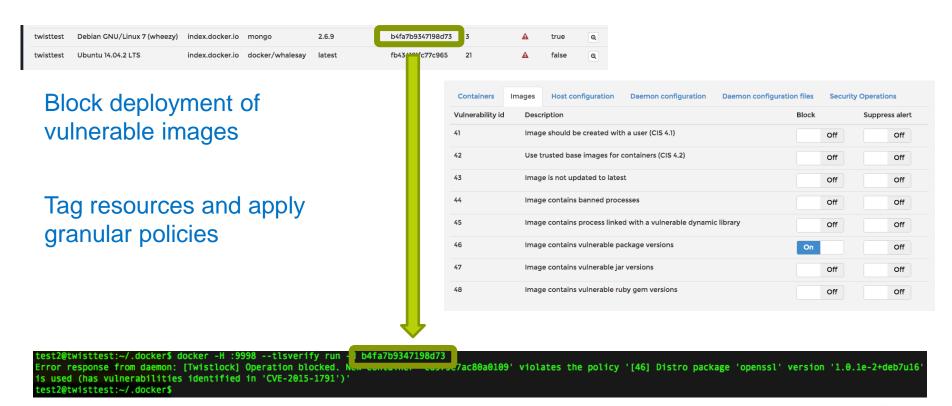
Configure

**Monitor** 

Visualize risk

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# Vulnerability management "demo"



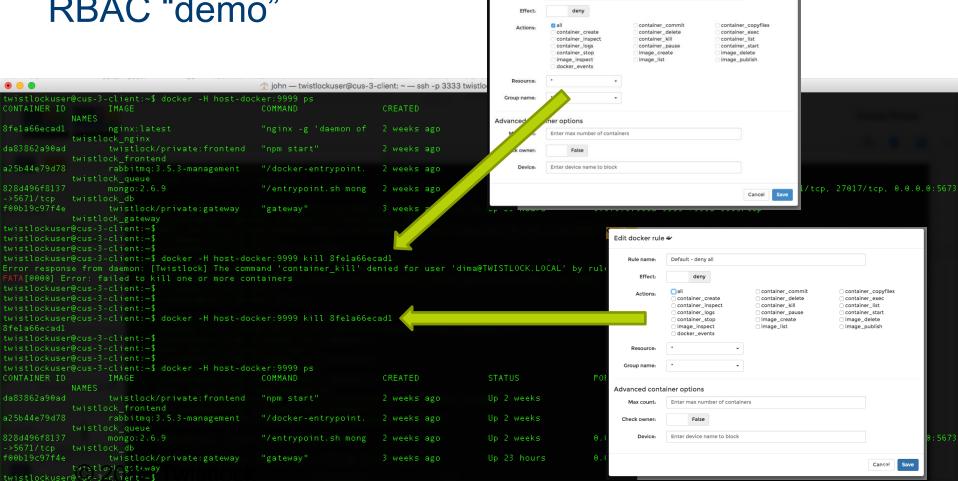
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# Security hardening "demo"



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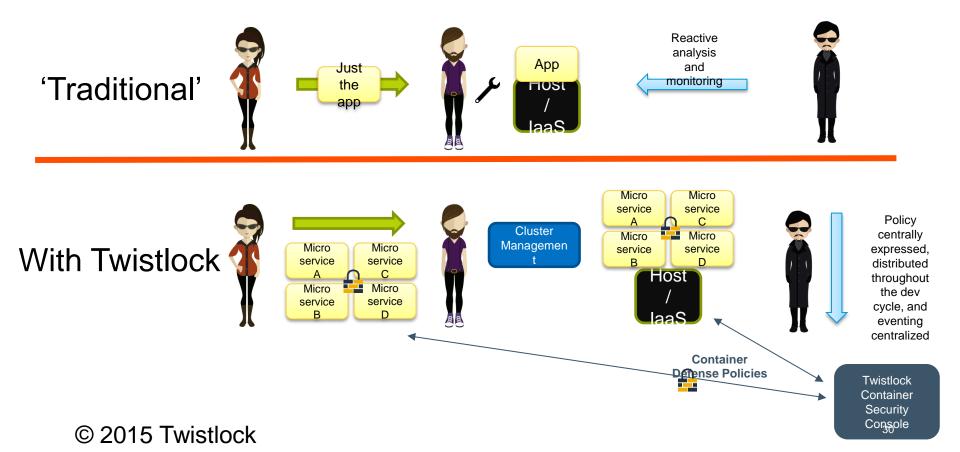
#### RBAC "demo"



Edit docker rule # Rule name:

Default - deny all

#### Evolution of roles with containers



# The containers are coming

... if they're not already on your network

Balance security and capability with tools purpose built for the new model



# Lancope® Container Security



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# Why Containers? Two Areas of Focus

#### 1. Software Delivery:

- Build pipelines now produce consistent, immutable artifacts
- Immutable artifacts offer many benefits for security

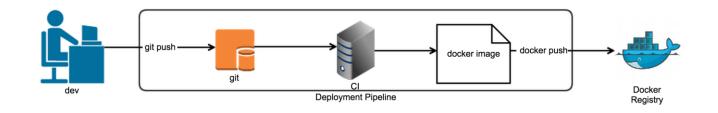
#### 2. Software Deployment:

- Software deployment mechanism is common across all technologies (e.g., python, JVM, c, perl)
- If it can go into a container, you can deploy it
- Incredible for devs, but creates many challenges for security

# **Evolution of Software Delivery**

Era*	Characteristics
Custom Bash Scripts (1990s – late 2000s)	<ul> <li>Mutable infrastructure (e.g., send EAR to server)</li> <li>Servers are pets, we even gave them names</li> <li>Many differences between environments</li> <li>Deployed a few times per month (if lucky)</li> </ul>
Configuration Management (Late 2000s – current)	<ul> <li>Immutable infrastructure</li> <li>Servers start becoming cattle</li> <li>Still many differences between environments</li> <li>Deployments happen more, but still slow</li> </ul>
Containers (now)  *time periods ar	<ul> <li>Immutable infrastructure</li> <li>Servers become more like cattle, OS provides bare minimum to run container</li> <li>Software systems now fully reproducible in all environments</li> <li>Build/Deployment pipeline is the center of the universe</li> <li>Deploy as frequently as your build pipeline can produce new image</li> <li>e rough estimates, they change depending on who you ask.</li> </ul>

#### Deployment Pipelines with Containers



#### Steps taken inside CI (fail fast between steps):

- 1. Standup dependent services (using containers) for testing
- 2. Run unit and integration tests on code
- 3. Create final Docker Image of tested code
- Start container using newly created image
- 5. Run black box functional tests on container
- 6. Run security scans on container
  - 1. Examples: SCAP scan, GAUNTLT tests, CIS Docker Benchmark
- 7. Push validated image to registry IFF all previous steps pass

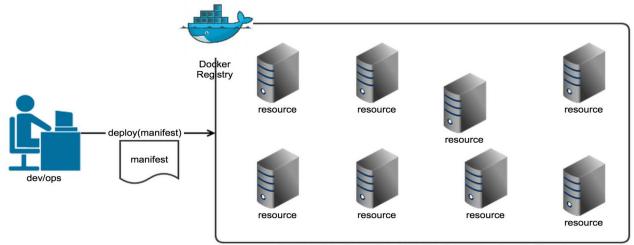
# Why this is good for security?

- A successful run of deployment pipeline gives us an immutable image for deploying to production
  - Never run anything not validated by pipeline
- Before ever getting to prod, we have already instantiated the container and run:
  - Blackbox functional tests
  - Full security scans (both blackbox and whitebox)

This means we can catch security issues before ever releasing software into the wild

Side bonus: devs can run all this from their laptop

# Deploying Containers (high level)

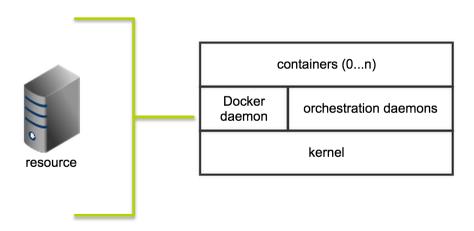


Orchestration Cluster (e.g., CoreOS, Kubernetes, Swarm, Mesos)

#### Manifest encodes:

- Docker image to launch on cluster
- Number of instances to deploy (e.g., run 3 instances of nginx container)
- Resource requirements (e.g., each container needs 2 cores and 8gb memory)
- Custom rules (e.g., don't run container X and container Y on same host)

# Deploying Containers (high level)



- Each server (or resource) is only there to run containers
- Stripped down kernel (lower attack surface)
- Orchestration tooling required to help schedule containers across a cluster

# Benefits for Dev/Ops

Containers provide a common point of abstraction for deploying any arbitrary software stack

Great for microservices and polyglot infrastructures

We can start thinking about creating infrastructure-level patterns and sharing them via GitHub (think: package manager for your datacenter)

# What about security? Here be dragons

Orchestration layer adds new set of distributed communication protocols that must be secured

Host-level isolation for different workloads still required until container isolation is on par with OS isolation

Storing secrets becomes more complex in a dynamic world

Image validation tooling required to forbid untrusted images (it is not enabled by default)

Burden of patching software shifts to devs

# **Questions?**