

Streamlining AI App Development with Docker

Models and AI Tools That Just Work

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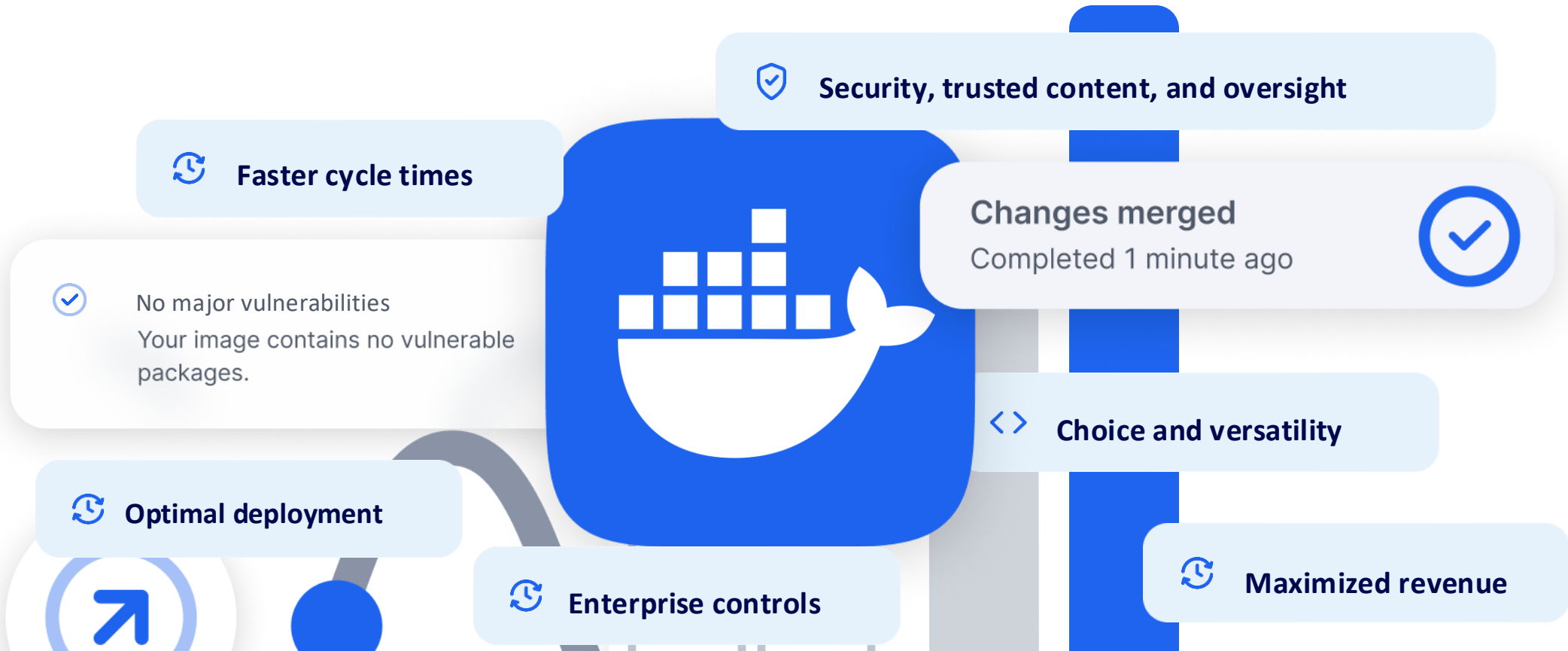
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Docker



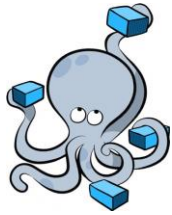
Docker is the cornerstone of software development

#1 Developer-Loved Tool



Docker maintains open-source projects

Open Source Developer Tools Developed by Docker



Docker
Compose



Test
Containers



Docker
CLI



Docker
BuildX



Docker
Github Action

Essential Projects



Moby



BuildKit



Runc



Containerd



Lots of AI Agents are being built

44.8%

CAGR Growth

30–50%

Reduction in
time to decision
for Bloomberg

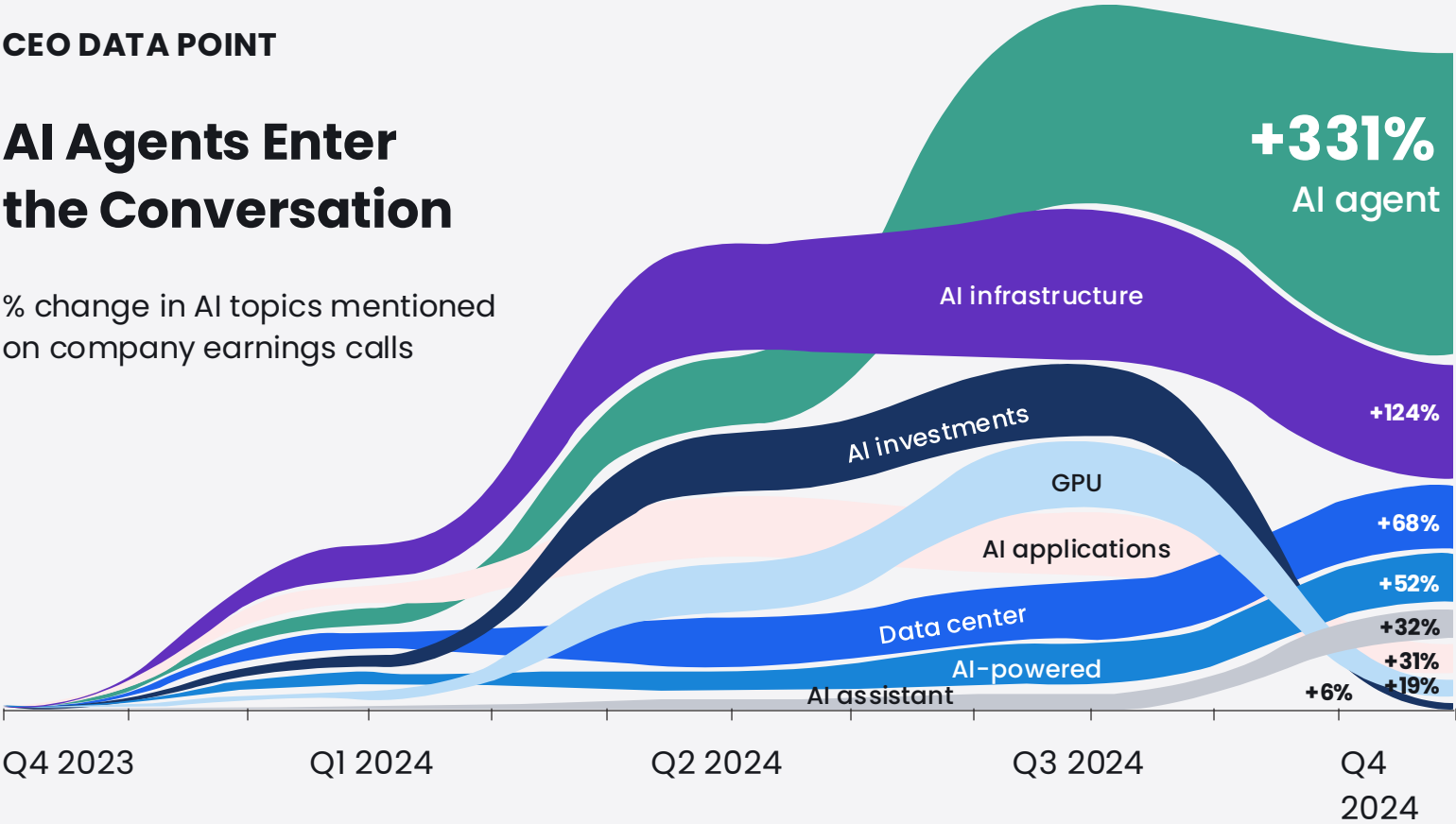
30%+

Reduction in
cycle time for
booking.com

CEO DATA POINT

AI Agents Enter the Conversation

% change in AI topics mentioned
on company earnings calls



Source: IoT Analytics, BCG, PRNewswire

... but building them are still challenging for many developers



**Build AI applications
easily**



**Ensure Security and
Compliance**



**Improve productivity
with AI**



Containers provide the solid foundation to bring apps, including Generative and agentic AI apps to life



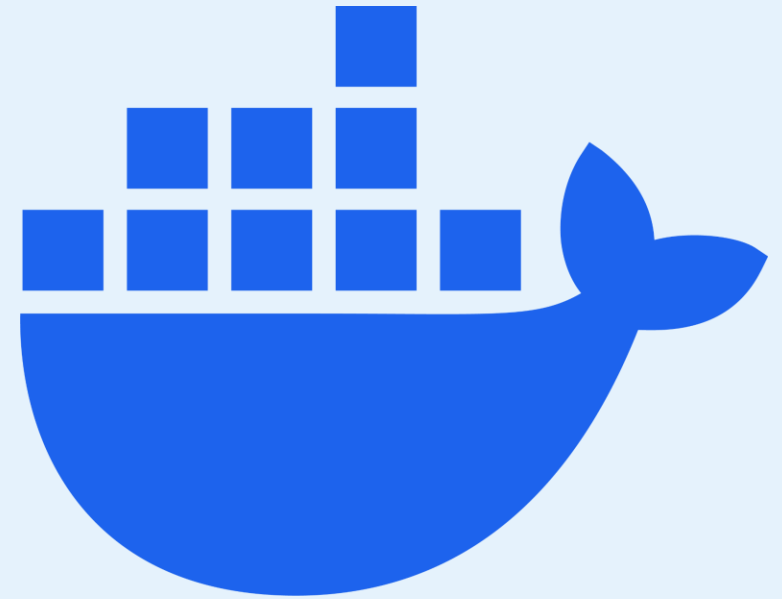
Flexible



Scalable



Secure



Containers are the standard solution for GenAI apps

7/10

plan to containerize
GenAI apps

75%

AI deployment will
use containers

133%

increase in
AI image pulls



Source: [CLODIVE](#)

Docker's AI efforts



Build GenAI apps and agents easily

Model Runner, MCP Catalog & Toolkit



Boost productivity with AI Agents

Gordon

Secure & Familiar workflows



The Docker Model Runner

**Same processes.
Same tools.
New stack.**



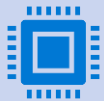
The Docker Model Runner



Pull models from Docker Hub or any other container registry



Run LLMs completely locally



Full GPU support



OpenAI API-compatible endpoints



Interacting with models via the CLI

Pull a model from Docker Hub

```
docker model pull ai/phi4
```

List all downloaded models

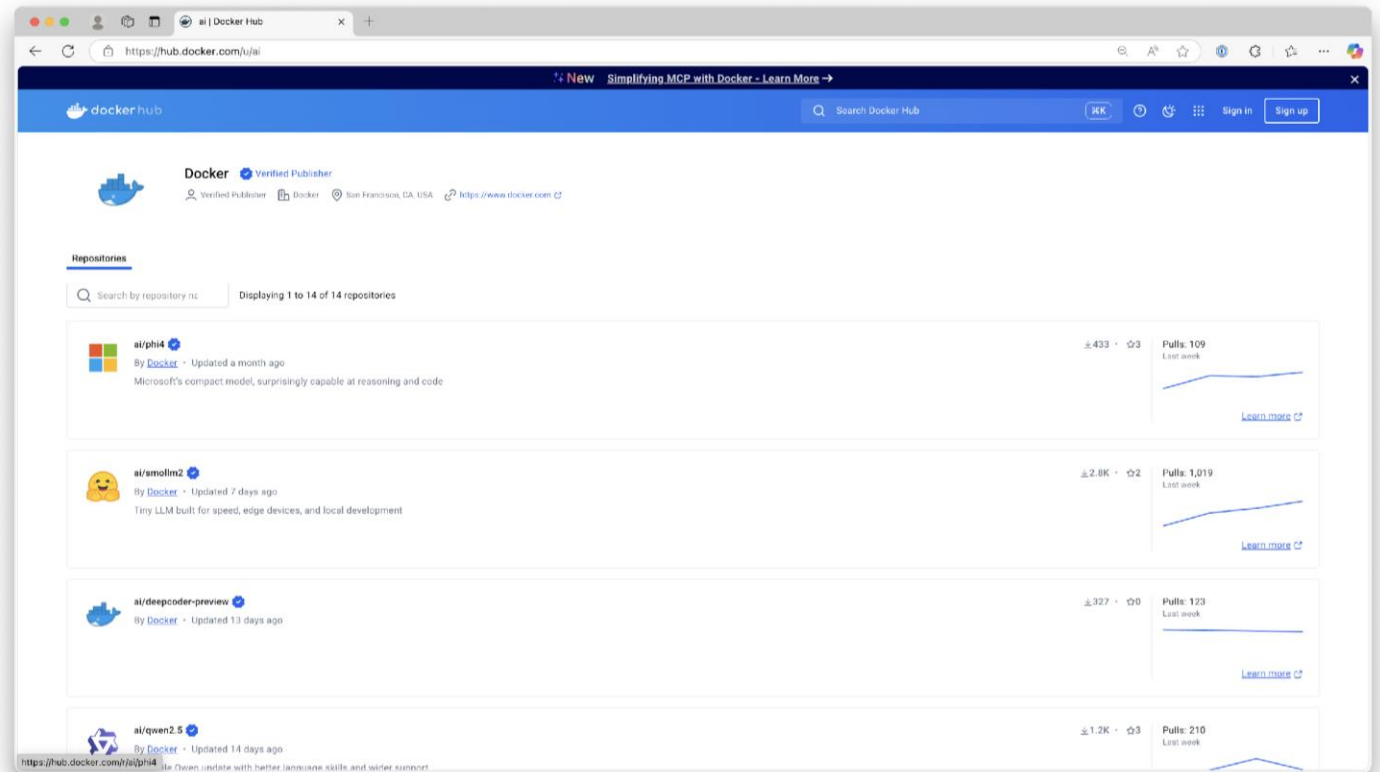
```
docker model list
```

Send a prompt to the model

```
docker model run ai/phi4 "What should I do in Paris after GOSIM?"
```



An entire catalog of models available on Docker Hub



Publishing models

Package and push a GGUF model with licenses

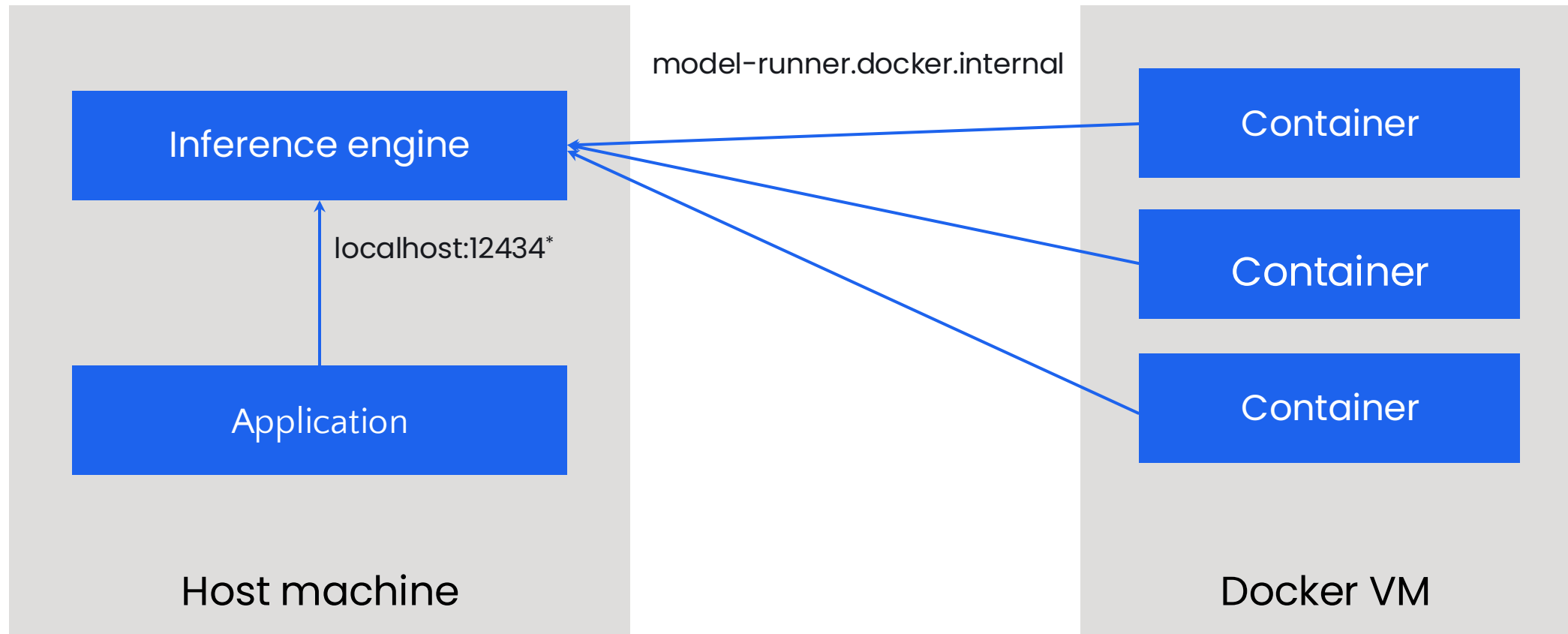
```
docker model package \  
  --licenses license1.txt \  
  --licenses license2.txt \  
  ./model.gguf \  
  registry.example.com/ai/custom-model
```

Publish a model

```
docker model push registry.example.com/ai/custom-model
```



Accessing the models



* TCP host socket not enabled by default

Connecting apps

// JavaScript/Node.js with OpenAI client

```
const client = new OpenAI({  
  baseUrl: "http://localhost:12434/engines/v1",  
  apiKey: "not-required",  
});
```

// .NET with OpenAI ChatClient

```
ChatClient client = new(  
  model: "ai/phi4",  
  credential: new ApiKeyCredential("not-required"),  
  new OpenAIClientOptions()  
  {  
    Endpoint = new Uri("http://localhost:12434/engines/v1")  
  }  
);
```



Going beyond the CLI – Compose

compose.yaml

```
services:  
  phi:  
    provider:  
      type: model  
      options:  
        model: ai/phi4:14B-Q4_K_M
```

```
  app:  
    image: node:lts-alpine  
    depends_on:  
      - phi  
    ...
```

```
  db:  
    image: postgres
```

```
  ...
```



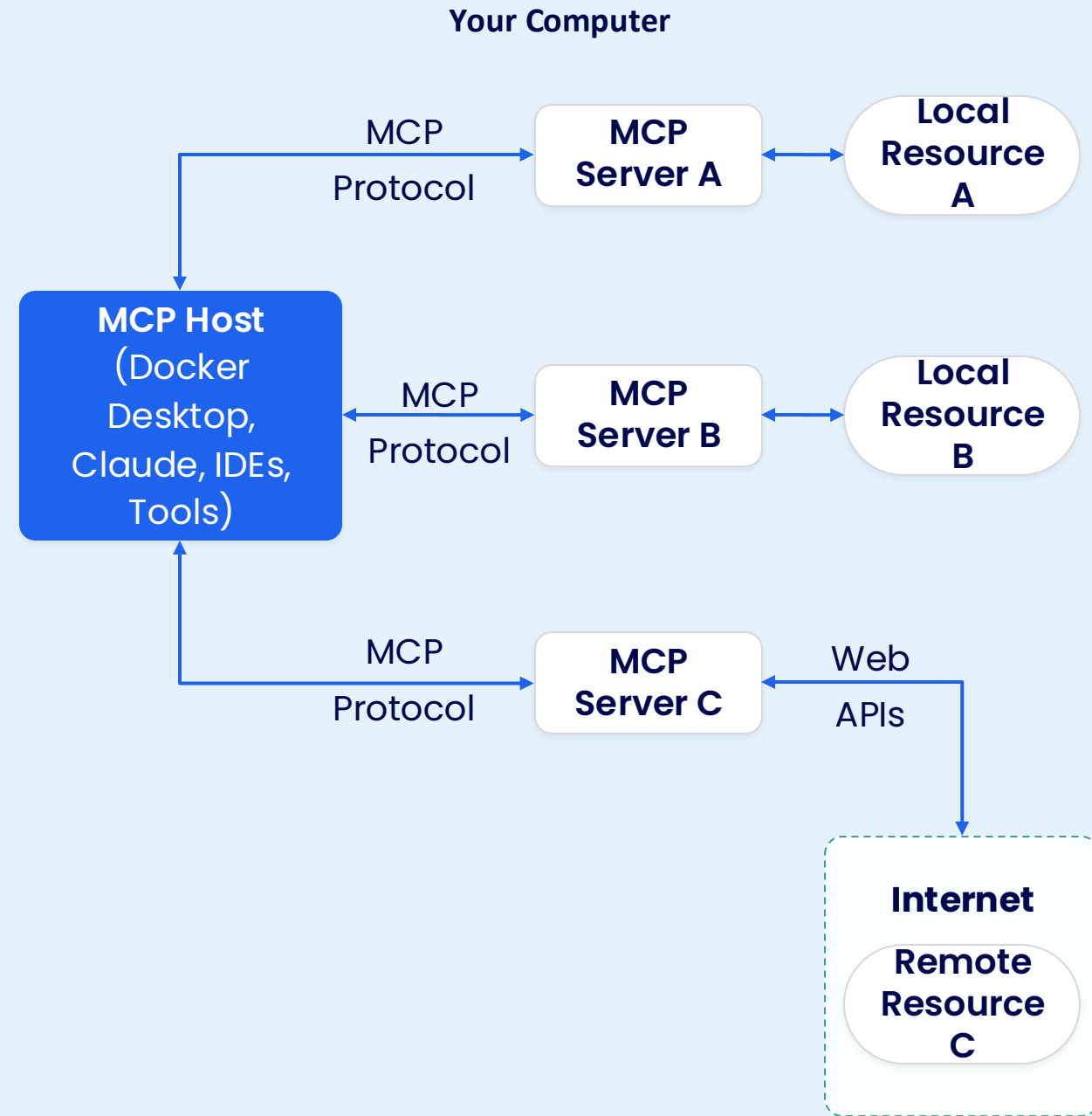


Demo 1 : Docker Model Runner

Docker MCP Catalog and Toolkit

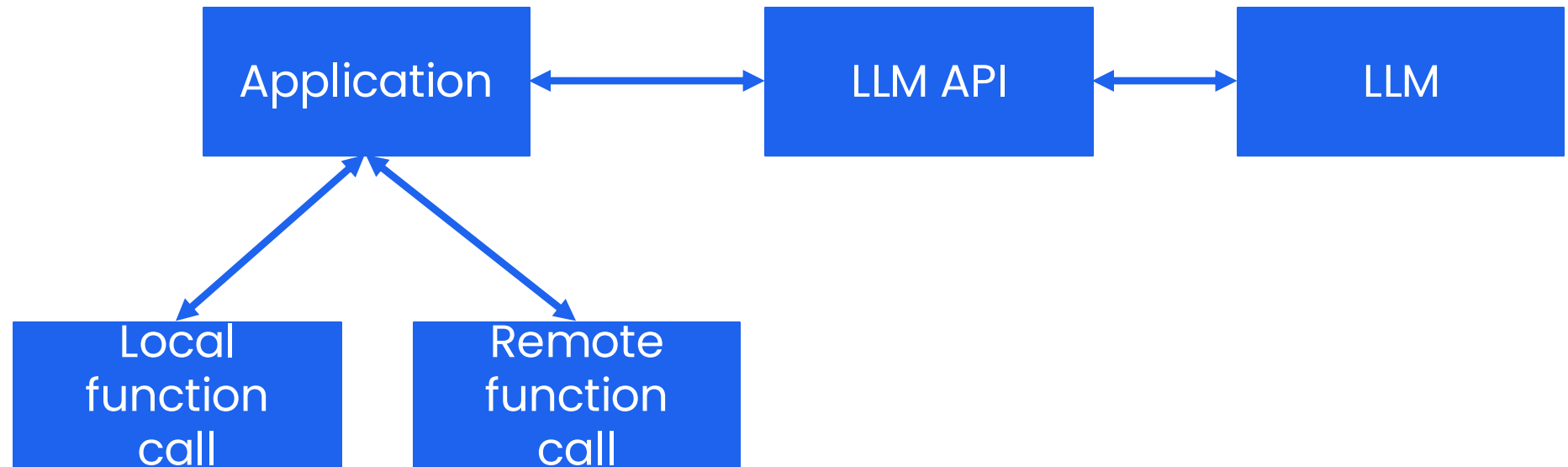
What is MCP

- ✓ A new protocol open-sourced by Anthropic
- ✓ Standardized interface for AI Agents, apps and LLMs
- ✓ Integrate with external data sources and tools
- ✓ Maybe it's an API for enhancing LLM capabilities
- ✓ It's the next evolution after OpenAI introduced Tool Call



Source: [Model Context Protocol](#) Architecture

Tool/function calling



Configuring a MCP server – npx

```
{
  "servers": {
    "github": {
      "command": "npx",
      "args": [
        "-y",
        "@modelcontextprotocol/server-github"
      ],
      "env": {
        "GITHUB_PERSONAL_ACCESS_TOKEN": "<YOUR_TOKEN>"
      }
    }
  }
}
```

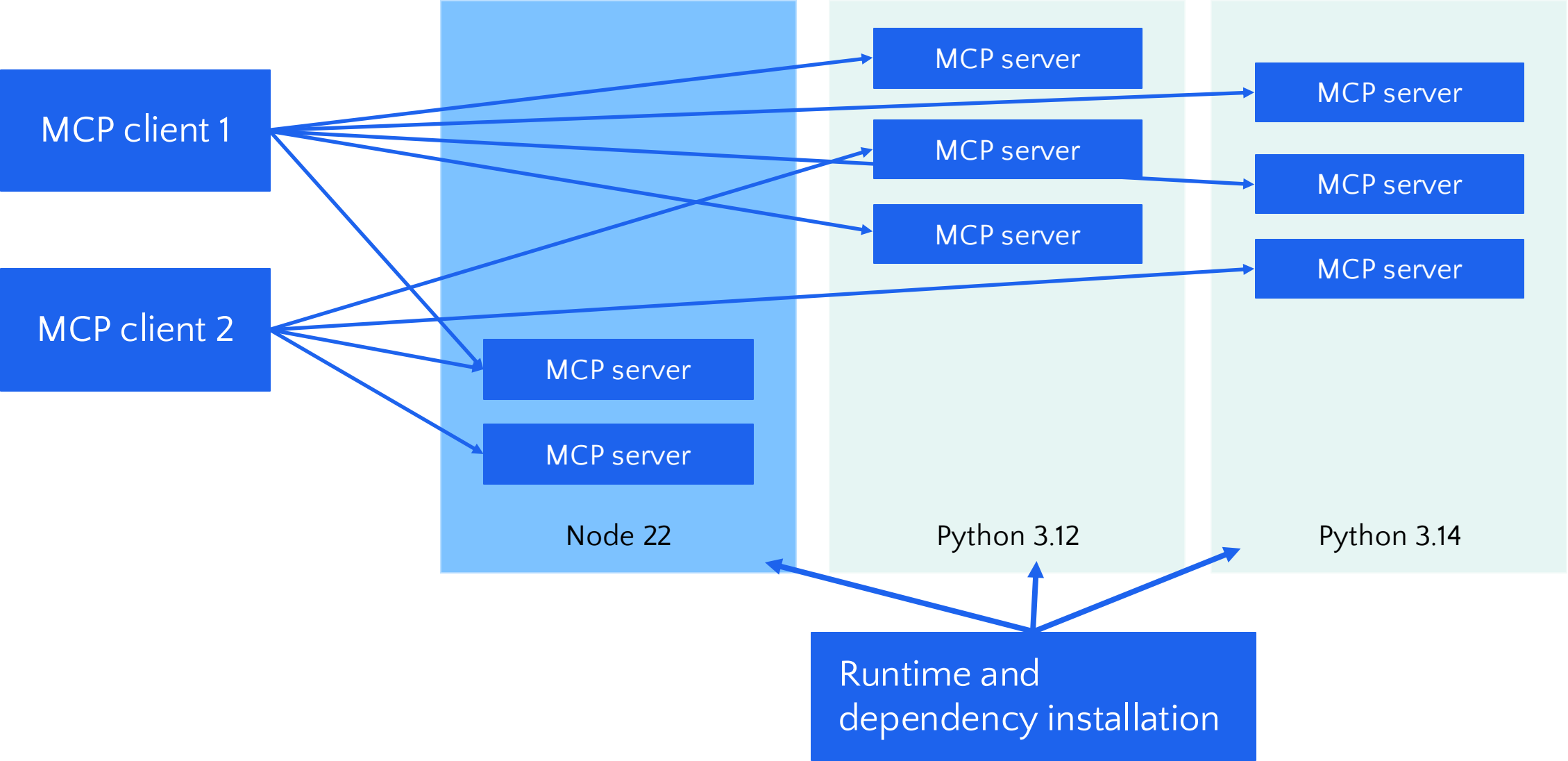


Configuring a MCP server – uvx

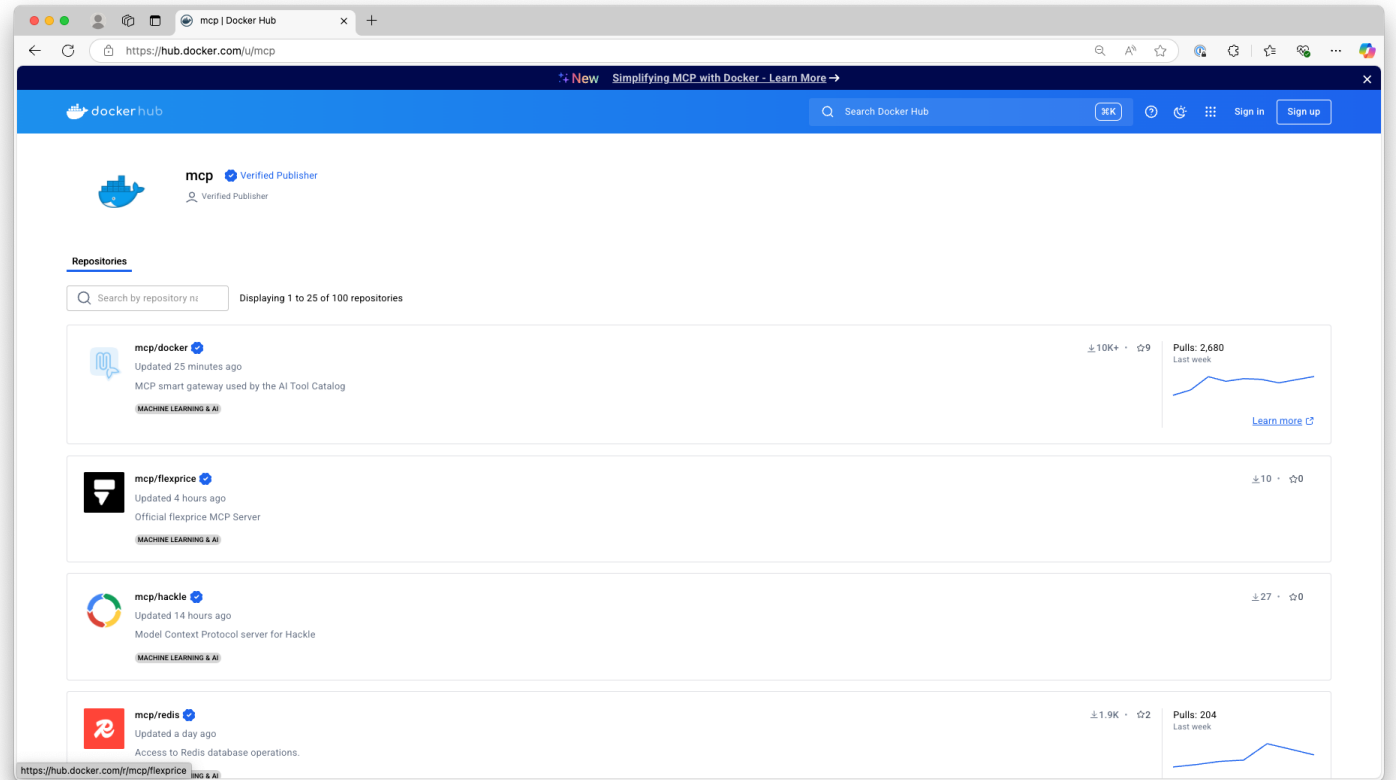
```
{  
  "servers": {  
    "time": {  
      "command": "uvx",  
      "args": [  
        "mcp-server-time"  
      ]  
    }  
  }  
}
```



MCP struggles



The MCP Catalog provides a collection of containerized MCP servers

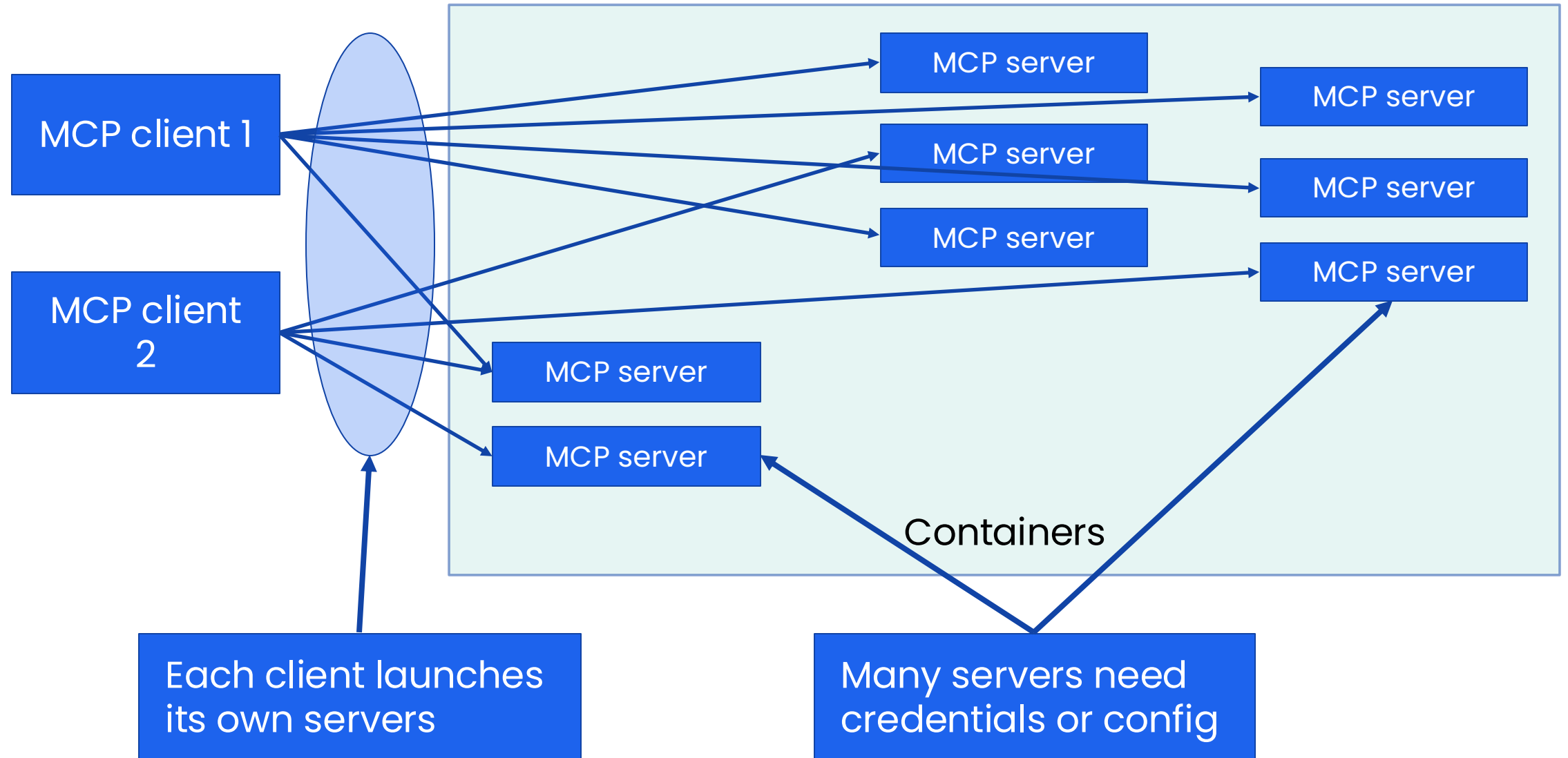


Adding a MCP server to Claude Desktop

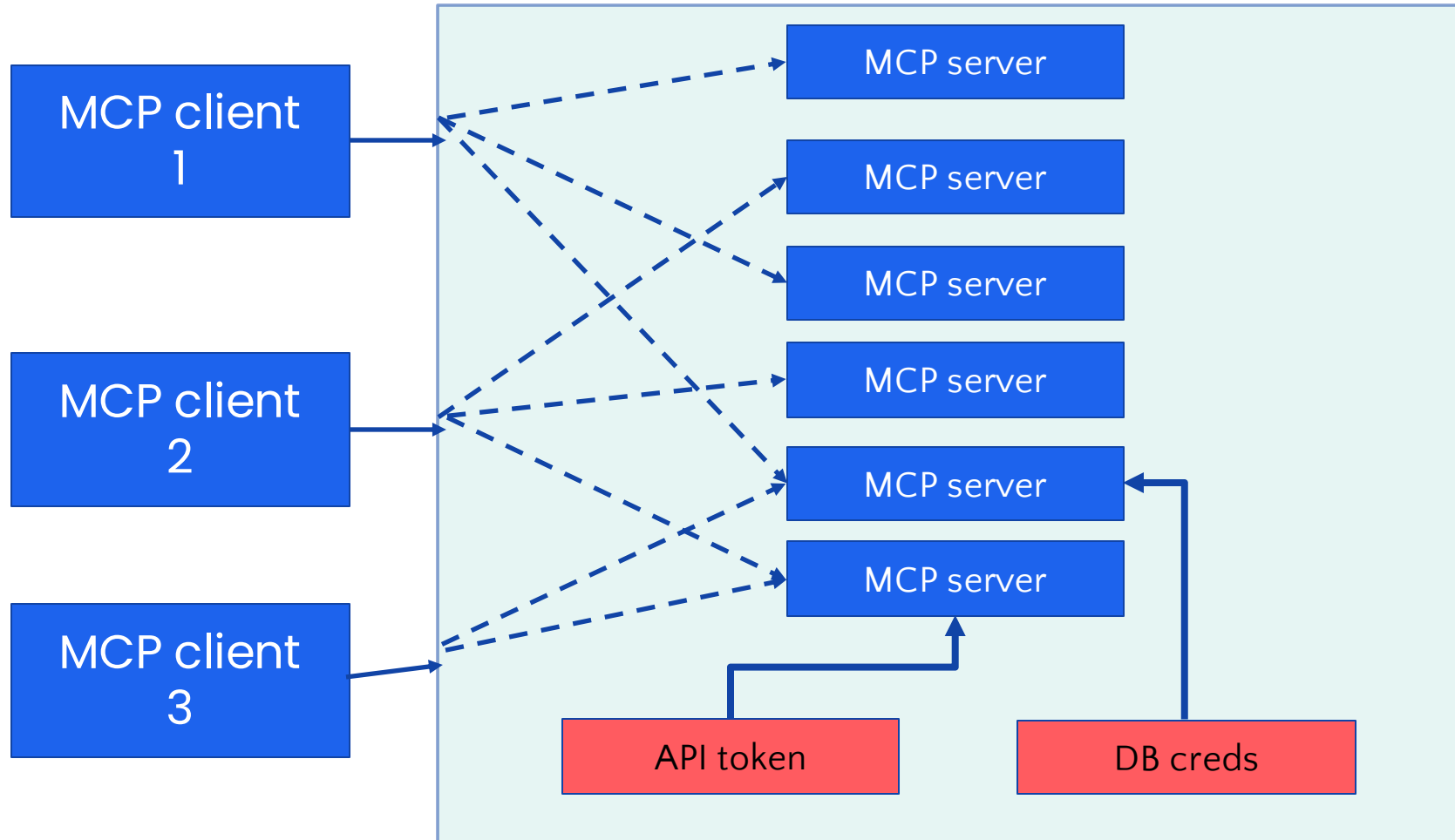
```
{  
  "mcp": {  
    "servers": {  
      "time-server": {  
        "command": "docker",  
        "args": ["run", "--rm", "-i", "mcp/time"]  
      }  
    }  
  }  
}
```



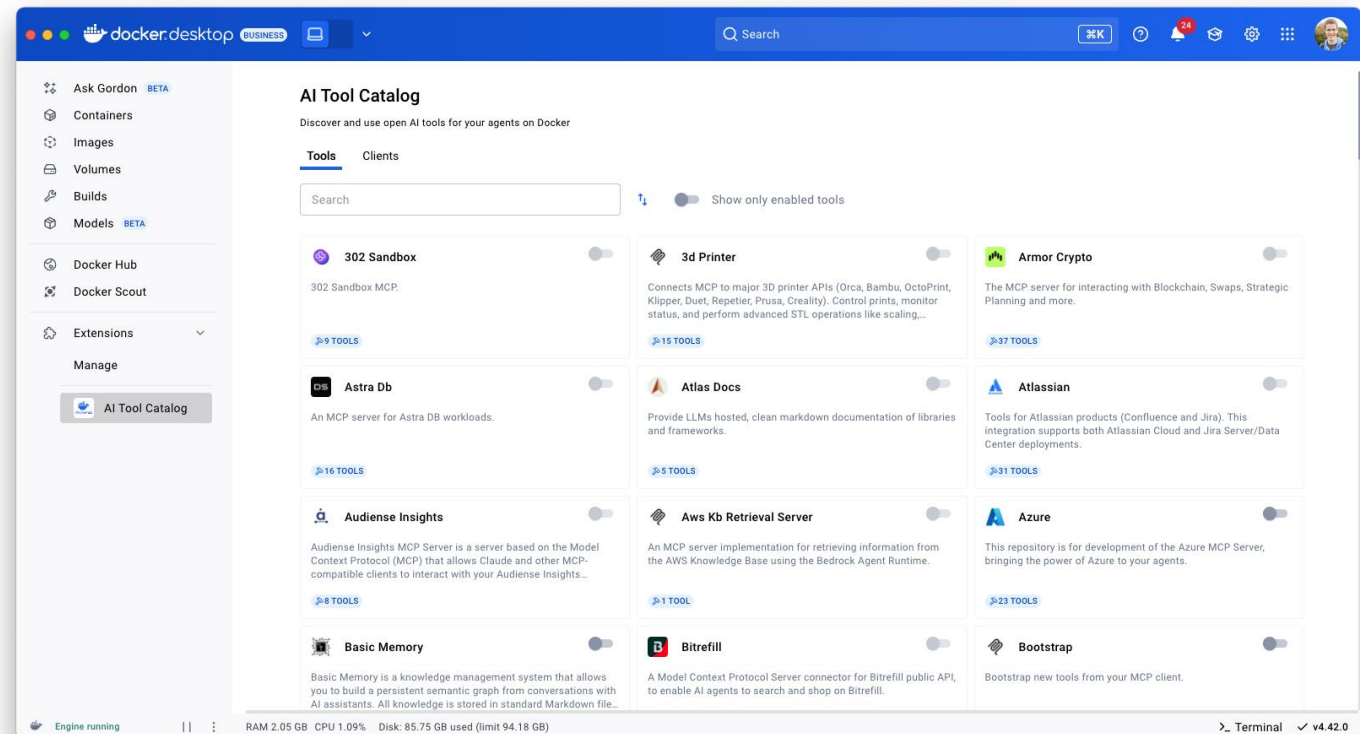
Gateway needed on top of containerized MCP tools



The MCP Toolkit



The MCP Toolkit provides easy discovery, configuration, and launching of containerized MCP servers





Demo 2 : Docker MCP Toolkit

The Docker AI Agent : Gordon

Best Practice for Building AI Agents



Specialized

Depth



**Meeting devs
where they are**

Breadth

Customization

Flexibility



Specialized AI Agents are more useful



**Access to
usage data**



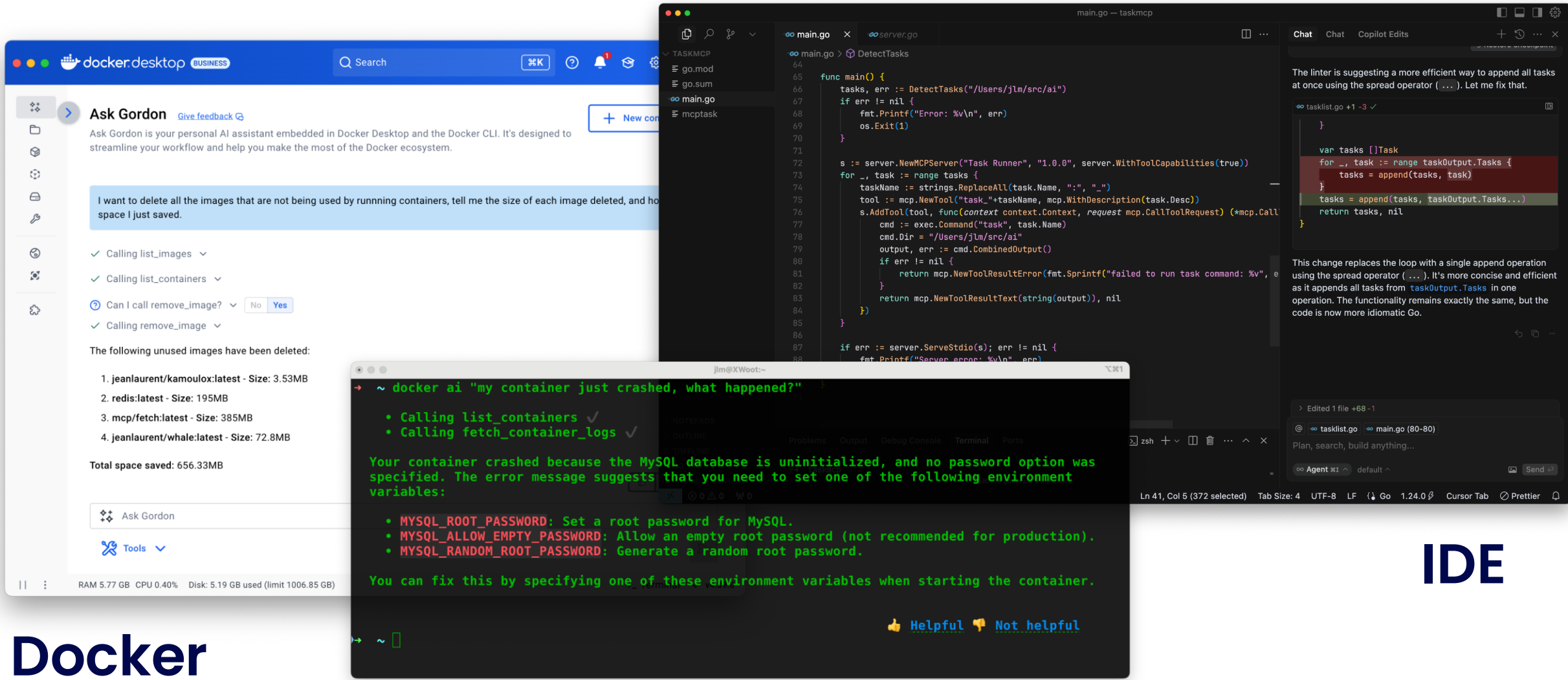
**Expert
knowledge**



**Continuous
innovation**



Drive AI Agent's adoption by meeting devs where they are



IDE

Docker



Terminal



Demo 3 : Docker AI Agent (Gordon)

Get started with Docker GenAI Tooling today



Explore Docker
Model Runner



Learn more about Docker
MCP Catalog and Toolkit



Try the Docker AI Agent
(Gordon)

