Containerization
and Docker

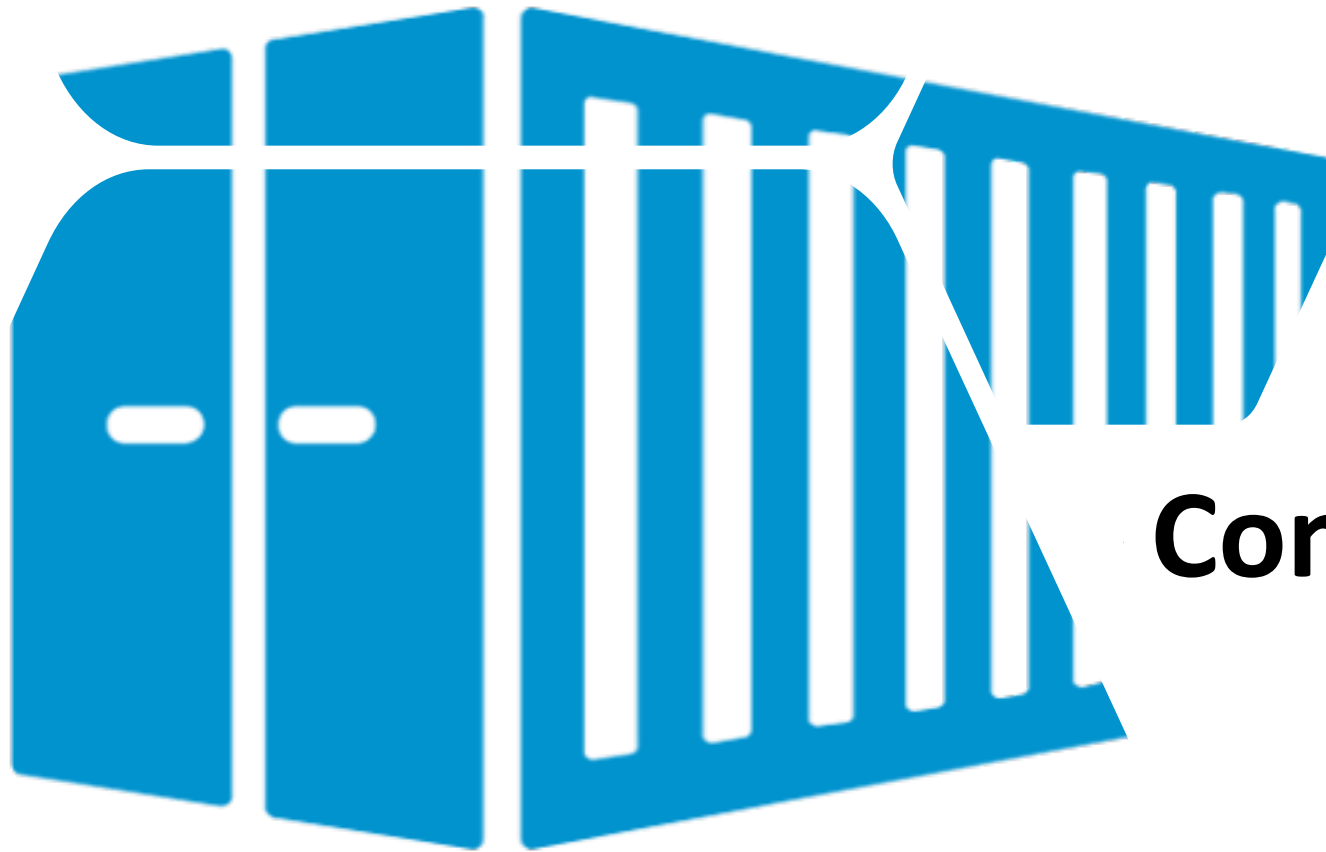# Outlines

Containerization

- Limitations of Virtual Machines
- Virtual Machines vs Containers
- Container orchestration tools

Introduction to Docker

- Containers
- Images
- Dockerfile
- Docker Registry
- Networking

Hands-on

- Building an image
- Running a container
- Docker compose and Docker SWARM mode

Containerization

Virtualization vs Containerization

- The many advantages of virtualization, such as application containment and horizontal scalability, come at a cost: resources. The guest OS and binaries can give rise to duplications between VMs wasting server processors, memory and disk space and limiting the number of VMs each server can support.

- Containerization allows **virtual instances** to share a single host OS (and associated drivers, binaries, libraries) to reduce these wasted resources since each container only holds the application and related binaries. The rest are shared among the containers.
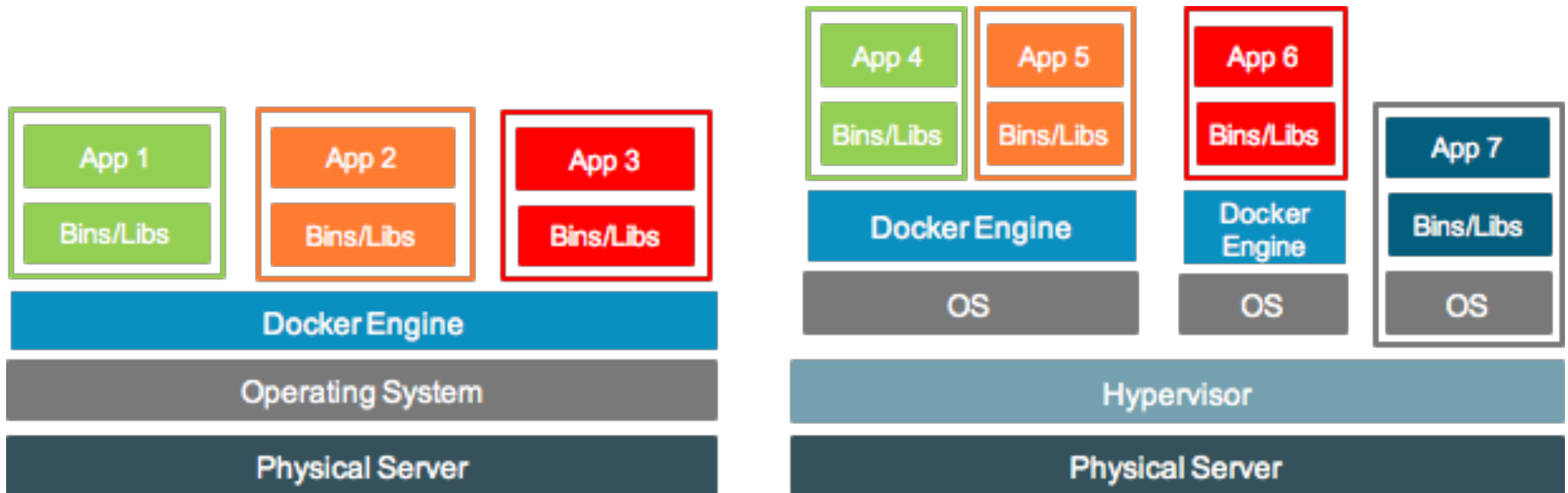
Virtualization vs Containerization
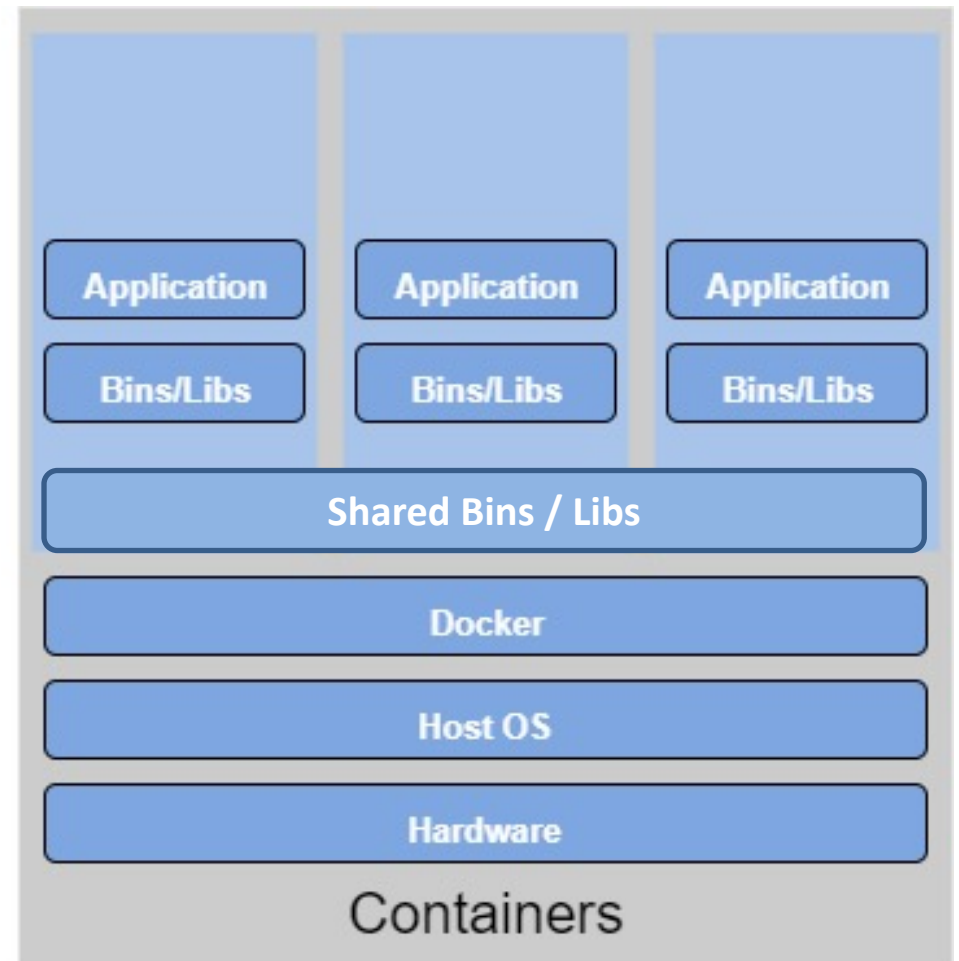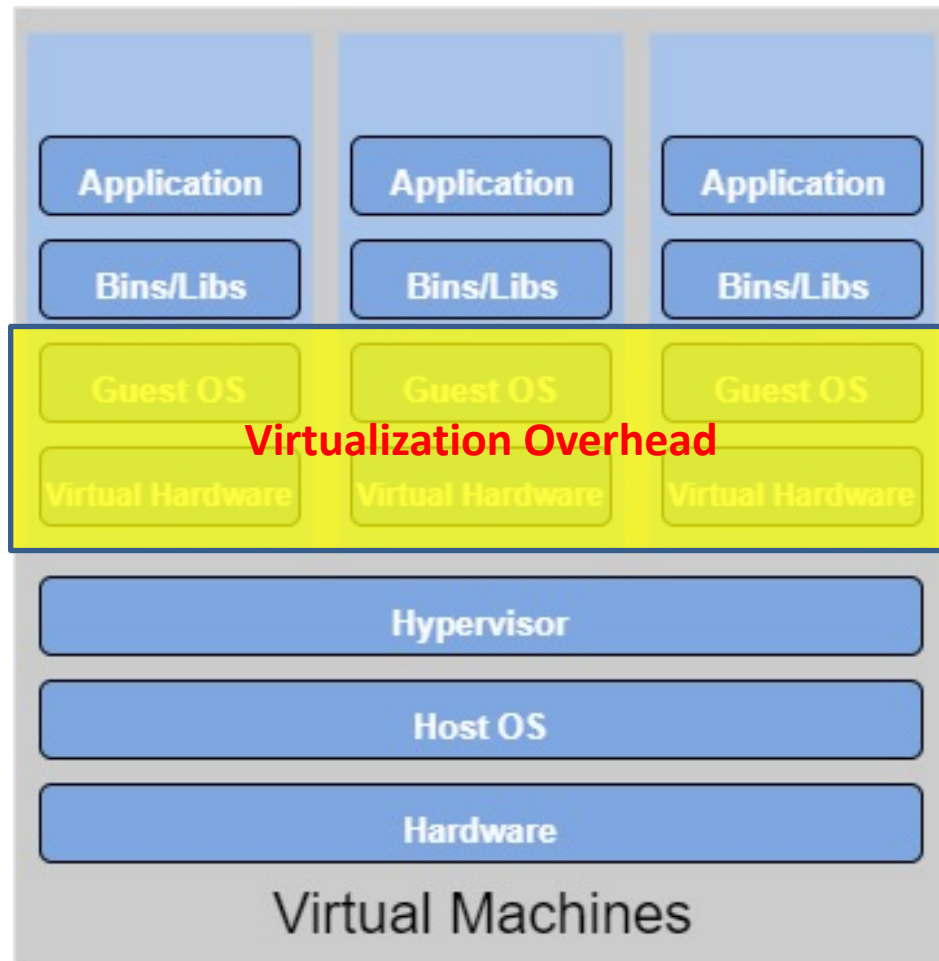
Virtualization vs Containerization

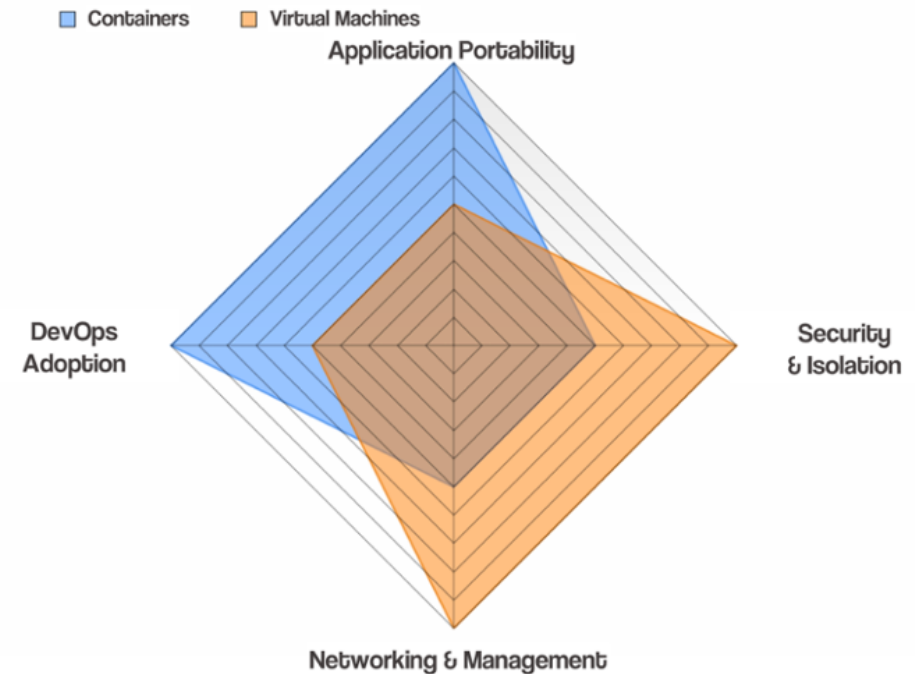| Parameter	Virtual Machines	Containers
Guest OS	Run on virtual HW, have their own OS kernels	Share same OS kernel
Communication	Through Ethernet devices	IPC mechanisms (pipes, sockets)
Security	Depends on the Hypervisor	Requires close scrutiny
Performance	Small overhead incurs when instructions are translated from guest to host OS	Near native performance
Isolation	File systems and libraries are not shared between guest and host OS	File systems can be shared, and libraries are
Startup time	Slow (minutes)	Fast (a few seconds)
Storage	Large size	Small size (most is re-use)

In the Real World, VMs and Containers can/do Co-exist

When deploying applications on the cloud, the base computation unit is a Virtual Machine. Usually Docker containers are deployed on top of VMs.

App 1	App 2	App 3
Bins/Libs	Bins/Libs	Bins/Libs

Docker Engine
Operating System
Physical Server

App 4	App 5		App 6		App 7
Bins/Libs	Bins/Libs		Bins/Libs		Bins/Libs

Docker Engine		Docker Engine		OS
OS		OS		

Hypervisor
Physical Server

Are Containers Better than VMs?

It depends …

- The size of the task on hand

- The life span of the application
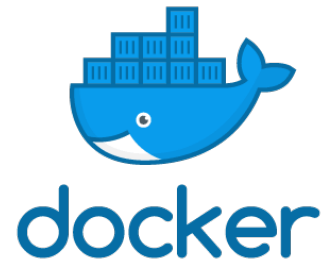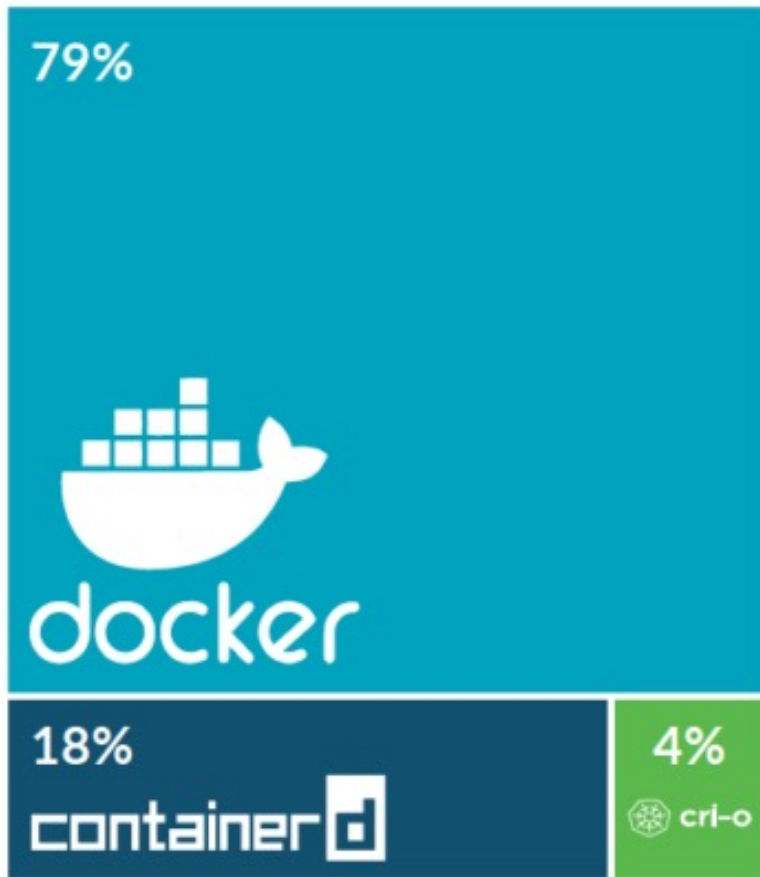
- Security concerns

- Host operation system

Containers vs Virtual Machines: Which is a better fit for you?

Containers vs Virtual Machines: How to tell which is the right choice for your enterprise?

What is a Container?

- Similar concept of resource isolation and allocation as a virtual machine.

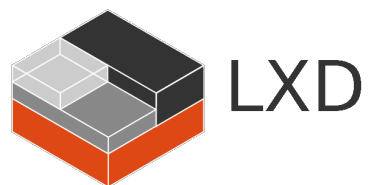- Without bundling the entire hardware environment and full OS.

What container runtimes are in use?

- Container technologies: Docker, containerd, cri-o, rkt, LxD …
- **Docker** is currently the leading software container platform

What are Container Orchestration Tools?

Container orchestration technologies provides a framework for integrating and managing containers *at scale*

Features:
- Networking
- Scaling
- Service discovery and load balancing
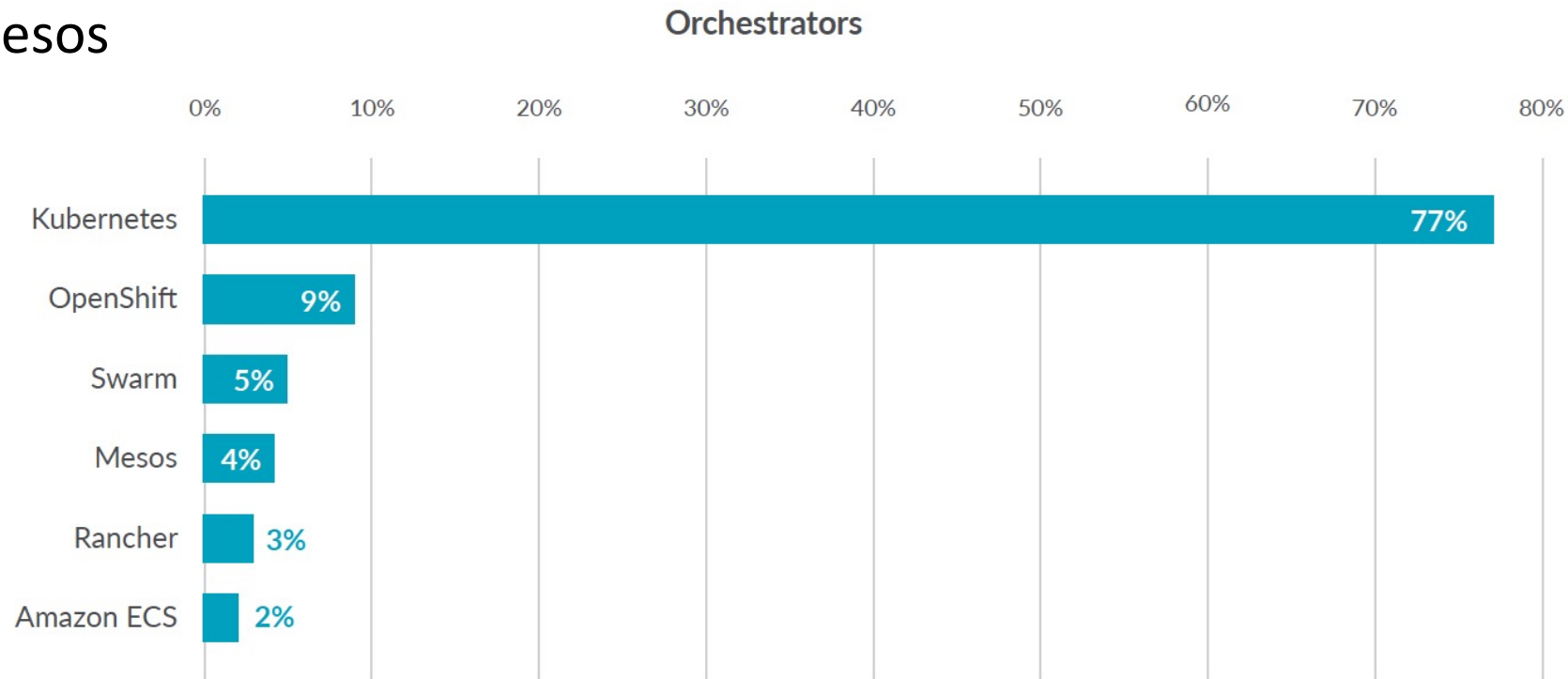- Health check and self-healing
- Security
- Rolling updates

Goals:
- Simplify container management processes
- Help to manage availability and scaling of containers

Container Orchestration Tools

- **Kubernetes and Hosted Kubernetes:**

- **Docker SWARM / Docker Compose**

- **Others:**
  - OpenShift
  - Amazon Elastic Container Service (ECS)
  - Apache Mesos

Orchestrators

	0%	10%	20%	30%	40%	50%	60%	70%	80%

Kubernetes	77%
OpenShift	9%
Swarm	5%
Mesos	4%
Rancher	3%
Amazon ECS	2%

Introduction to Docker

"Leads the pack with a robust container platform well-suited for the enterprise"

The Forrester New Wave Enterprise Container Platform, Q4 2018 Report

Docker

- Docker is by far the most successful containerization technology.

- Over 11 million developers use Docker, over 7 million applications have been placed in Docker containers and over 13 billion docker image downloads each month.

- It uses resource isolation features of the Linux kernel to allow independent "containers" to run within a single Linux instance.

- Docker can also be installed on Mac and Windows computers. It it is deeply integrated with the macOS Hypervisor framework and Microsoft Hyper-V virtualization or LCOW.

Docker

- Microsoft have announced native support for Docker.

- Native Windows apps can now be built, shipped and run in Docker containers that work on both Windows Server 2016 and Windows 10 Enterprise.

- Docker versions:
    - Docker CE (Community Edition, free)
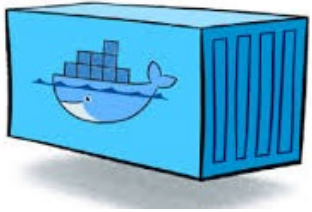   - Docker EE (Enterprise Edition, $$$, USD$750 - USD$3500+ per node per year)

Capabilities	Docker Engine - Community	Docker Engine - Enterprise	Docker Enterprise
Container engine and built in orchestration, networking, security	✓	✓	✓
Certified infrastructure, plugins and ISV containers		✓	✓
Image management			✓
Container app management			✓
Image security scanning			✓

Install Docker

- How to install Docker:
  - [Get Docker CE for Linux (Ubuntu)](#)   Share Linux kernel
  - [Get Docker CE for Mac](#)
  - [Get Docker CE for Windows](#)   No more VirtualBox, but LinuxKit VM on macOS, LinuxKit VM / LCOW on Windows
  - [Get Docker Compose](#)

Linux Container on Windows: *https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/virtualization/windowscontainers/deploy-containers/linux-containers*

A Bit of Docker Nomenclature

- **Container**: a process that behaves like an independent machine, it is a runtime instance of a docker image.
- **Image**: a blueprint for a container.
- **layer**: modification to the image, represented by an instruction in the Dockerfile.
- **Dockerfile**: the recipe to create an image.
- **Build**: the process of building Docker images.
- **Registry**: a hosted service containing repositories of images. E.g., the Docker Hub (https://hub.docker.com)
- **Docker Hub**: a centralized resource for working with Docker and its components
- **Repository:** is a sets of Docker images.
- **Tag:** a label applied to a Docker image in a repository.
- **Compose**: Compose is a tool for defining and running multi-containers Docker applications.
- **SWARM mode:** a standalone native clustering / orchestration tool for Docker.

Manage Data in Docker

- By default, data inside a Docker container won't be persisted when a container is no longer exist.

- You can copy data in and out of a container.

- Docker has two options for containers to store files on the host machine, so that the files are persisted even after the container stops.
  - Docker volumes (Managed by Docker, /var/lib/docker/volume/)
  - Bind mounts (Managed by user, any where on the file system)
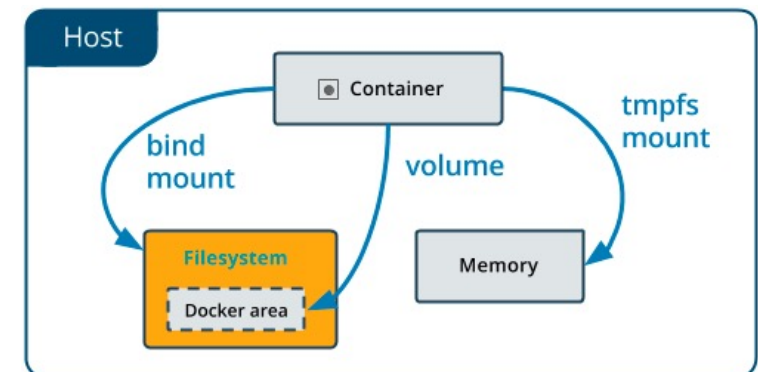
Networking

Docker has different networking options:

- "host": every container uses the host network stack; which means all containers share the same IP address, hence ports cannot be shared across containers (Linux only, not for macOS or Windows)

```
ubuntu@ubuntu:~$ curl -I localhost:80
curl: (7) Failed to connect to localhost port 80: Connection refused
ubuntu@ubuntu:~$ sudo docker run --name network-test --network host -d nginx
401e9e73d50b11ddaf38dd8745fd854545ab14995322a636dae8a00053a4adab
ubuntu@ubuntu:~$ curl -I localhost:80
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Server: nginx/1.17.9
```

Nginx container running on "host" network on an Ubuntu Server

Networking

Nginx container running on "host" network on macOS

Nginx container running on "host" network on Windows

Networking

- "bridge": containers can re-use the same port, as they have different IP addresses, and expose a port of their own that belongs to the hosts, allowing the containers to be somewhat visible from the outside.

Read more: https://docs.docker.com/network/

Hands-on

Docker Image

- Public Docker registry (Where you can find the images)
  https://hub.docker.com

- Docker image name
  Syntax: [registry hostname]/repository[:tag]
  E.g.: [docker.io/]nginx:alpine   or   nginx[:latest]

Login to a Docker Registry

- Login to a public Docker Registry, i.e. Docker Hub.

  Syntax: *docker login [OPTIONS] [SERVER]*

  E.g.: *docker login --username=foo*

  ```
  alwynpan@Alwyns-MBP  ~  docker login -u alwynpan
  Password:
  Login Succeeded
  ```

- Login to a private Docker Registry (e.g., AWS ECR, Nexus Server)

  E.g.: *docker login -u AWS https://ecr.ap-southeast-2.amazonaws.com*

  ```
  alwynpan@Alwyns-MBP  ~  docker login -u AWS -p eyJwYXlsb2FkIjoiZC9YQmF5MGNnSXNVekhLejFSUjFppQTJhbnl5Q2Z0LzFUbVVUaXZZJN
  JzaW9uIjoiMiIsInR5cGUiOiJEQVVRBX0tFWSIsImV4cGlyYXRpb24iOjE1NTQ2NjQwMDh9 https://          .dkr.ecr.ap-southeast-2.amaz
  onaws.com
  WARNING! Using --password via the CLI is insecure. Use --password-stdin.
  Login Succeeded
  ```

- Logout

  Syntax: *docker logout [SERVER]*

  E.g.: *docker logout*

  ```
  alwynpan@Alwyns-MBP  ~  docker logout
  Removing login credentials for https://index.docker.io/v1/
  ```

Pulling a Docker Image

- Pull an image from a public Docker Registry, i.e. Docker Hub.
  Syntax: docker pull NAME[:TAG]
  E.g.: docker pull nginx

```
alwynpan@Alwyns-MBP ~ docker pull nginx
Using default tag: latest
latest: Pulling from library/nginx
27833a3ba0a5: Pull complete
e83729dd399a: Pull complete
ebc6a67df66d: Pull complete
Digest: sha256:c8a861b8a1eeef6d48955a6c6d5dff8e2580f13ff4d0f549e082e7c82a8617a2
Status: Downloaded newer image for nginx:latest
```

- List all images
  Syntax: docker images [OPTIONS] [REPOSITORY[:TAG]]
  E.g.: docker images or docker image ls

```
alwynpan@Alwyns-MBP ~ docker images
REPOSITORY          TAG          IMAGE ID          CREATED          SIZE
nginx               latest       2bcb04bdb83f      11 days ago      109MB
```

Pushing a Docker Image

- (Optional) Tag an image

    Syntax: docker tag <SOURCE_IMAGE> <TARGET_IMAGE>

    E.g.: docker tag nginx alwynpan/comp90024:nginx

```
> alwynpan@Alwyns-MBP  >  ~  >  docker tag nginx alwynpan/comp90024:nginx
> alwynpan@Alwyns-MBP  >  ~  >  docker images
REPOSITORY              TAG          IMAGE ID         CREATED         SIZE
alwynpan/comp90024      nginx        2bcb04bdb83f     11 days ago     109MB
nginx                   latest       2bcb04bdb83f     11 days ago     109MB
```

- Push an image

    Syntax: docker push <NAME[:TAG]>

    E.g.: docker push alwynpan/comp90024:nginx

```
alwynpan@Alwyns-MBP  >  ~  >  docker push alwynpan/comp90024:nginx
The push refers to repository [docker.io/alwynpan/comp90024]
7e274c0effe8: Mounted from library/nginx
dd0338cdfab3: Mounted from library/nginx
5dacd731af1b: Mounted from library/nginx
nginx: digest: sha256:dabecc7dece2fff98fb00add2f0b525b7cd4a2cacddcc27ea4a15a7922ea47ea size: 948
```

Run a Docker Container

- (Option 1) Create a container, then start the container
  Syntax: *docker create [OPTIONS] IMAGE [COMMAND] [ARG …]*
  E.g.: docker create --name nginx -p 8080:80 nginx
  Syntax: *docker start [OPTIONS] CONTAINER [CONTAINER …]*
  E.g.: docker start nginx

```
alwynpan@Alwyns-MBP  >  ~  >  docker create --name nginx -p 8080:80 nginx
51eb524eb9b9bc2a2843bf24d396f6ec5a8c07887e3382e75ab75fef0a135bc3
alwynpan@Alwyns-MBP  >  ~  >  docker start nginx
nginx
```

- (Option 2) Run a container
  Syntax: *docker run [OPTIONS] IMAGE [COMMAND] [ARG …]*
  E.g.: docker run --name nginx -p 8080:80 -d nginx

```
alwynpan@Alwyns-MBP  >  ~  >  docker run --name nginx -p 8080:80 -d nginx
54f52f88def92c800cf8194a7557dcbbc6608d1c1365727c3842fe8a688e2d53
```

List Docker Containers

```
alwynpan@Alwyns-MBP  >  ~  >  docker create --name nginx-created -p 8080:80 nginx
34977c499d0694fc1f9e1de732114cd6845be237c56652f1d5426cb67e1d268e
alwynpan@Alwyns-MBP  >  ~  >  docker run --name nginx-running -p 8080:80 -d nginx
56aa6c304480dc2674585e27f76a15fdb181518bc027a631d03969c093161543
```

- List running containers
  Syntax: docker ps [OPTIONS]
  E.g.: docker ps

```
alwynpan@Alwyns-MBP  >  ~  >  docker ps                                    ✓  10070  17:55:06
CONTAINER ID        IMAGE          COMMAND                 CREATED          STATUS           PORTS
        NAMES
56aa6c304480        nginx          "nginx -g 'daemon of…"  3 seconds ago    Up 2 seconds     0.0.0.0:8080-
>80/tcp    nginx-running
```

- List all containers
  docker ps -a

```
alwynpan@Alwyns-MBP  >  ~  >  docker ps -a                                 ✓  10071  17:55:08
CONTAINER ID        IMAGE          COMMAND                 CREATED            STATUS             PORTS
        NAMES
56aa6c304480        nginx          "nginx -g 'daemon of…"  About a minute ago  Up About a minute  0.0.0.0:8080
->80/tcp    nginx-running
34977c499d06        nginx          "nginx -g 'daemon of…"  About a minute ago  Created
        nginx-created
```

Stop / Restart / Remove a Docker Container

- Restart a container
  Syntax: docker restart [OPTIONS] CONTAINER [CONTAINER …]
  E.g.: docker restart nginx

- Stop the container
  Syntax: docker stop [OPTIONS] CONTAINER [CONTAINER …]
  E.g.: docker stop nginx

- Remove a non-running container
  Syntax: docker rm [OPTIONS] CONTAINER [CONTAINER …]
  E.g.: docker rm nginx

- Remove a running container
  docker rm -f nginx

Running a Shell within a Container

Containers can be started and stopped, and behave like VMs. Instead of using *SSH* to access a VM, a container can be accessed with *exec* command.

(Not recommended, mainly for debug or testing purpose.)

Syntax: docker exec [OPTIONS] CONTAINER COMMAND [ARG …]
E.g.: docker exec -ti -w /usr/share/nginx/html/ nginx sh

sed -i 's/nginx!/nginx in Docker!/g' index.html

Demo 1: Manage data in Docker

- Create a volume
    Syntax: docker volume create [OPTIONS] [VOLUME]
    E.g.: docker volume create --name htdocs

- Start a container with a **volume** attached
    *E.g.: docker run --name nginx-volume -p 8080:80 \
        -v htdocs:/usr/share/nginx/html -d nginx*

- Start a container with **bind mount** attached
    *E.g.: docker run --name nginx-bind -p 8081:80 \
        -v $(pwd)/htdocs:/usr/share/nginx/html -d nginx*

With named volume, the content of the container (index.html etc) was there, but with bind mount the directory was empty. Why?

*A **new** named volume's contents can be populated by a container.*

What's in a Dockerfile

FROM nginx:latest

ENV WELCOME_STRING *"nginx in Docker"*

WORKDIR /usr/share/nginx/html

COPY *["./entrypoint.sh", "/"]*

RUN cp index.html index_backup.html; \
    chmod +x /entrypoint.sh; \
    apt-get update && apt-get install -qy vim

Run at build time

ENTRYPOINT *["/entrypoint.sh"]*
CMD *["nginx", "-g", "daemon off;"]*

Run at start up

ENTRYPOINT

- ENTRYPOINT gets executed when the container starts. CMD specifies arguments that will be fed to the ENTRYPOINT.

- Unless it is overridden, ENTRYPOINT will always be executed.

```
#!/usr/bin/env sh

# Replace the substring with the value of the environment variable ${WELCOME_STRING}

sed -i 's/Welcome to nginx!/Welcome to '"${WELCOME_STRING}"'!/g'
/usr/share/nginx/html/index.html

# Make the ENTRYPOINT a pass through, then runs the docker command. By default "$@"
variable points to the command line arguments.
exec "$@"
# ➔ exec nginx -g "daemon off;"
```

Demo 2: Create an image

- Create an image
  Syntax: docker build [OPTIONS] PATH
  E.g.: docker build -t demo2 .

- Create a container from the image
  *docker run --name demo2 -e WELCOME_STRING="COMP90024" *
  -p 8081:80 -d demo2

Welcome to COMP90024!

If you see this page, the nginx web server is successfully installed and
working. Further configuration is required.

For online documentation and support please refer to nginx.org.
Commercial support is available at nginx.com.

Thank you for using nginx.

Demo 3: WordPress + MySQL + phpMyAdmin

WordPress is a free and open-source content management system based on PHP and MySQL.

Demo 3: use Compose file to start a WordPress website including WordPress, MySQL and phpMyAdmin.

- Start the containers
  Syntax: docker-compose up [OPTIONS]
  E.g.: docker-compose up -d
- Stop the containers
  Syntax: docker-compose stop [OPTIONS] [SERVICE …]
  E.g.: docker-compose stop
- Remove the containers
  Syntax: docker-compose down [OPTIONS]
  E.g.: docker-compose down

Docker SWARM

- What is Docker SWARM (the correct name: Docker in SWARM mode)?

  It is a Docker orchestration tool.

- Why Docker SWARM?
  - Hundreds of containers to manage?
  - Scalability
  - Self-healing
  - Rolling updates
  - And more ...
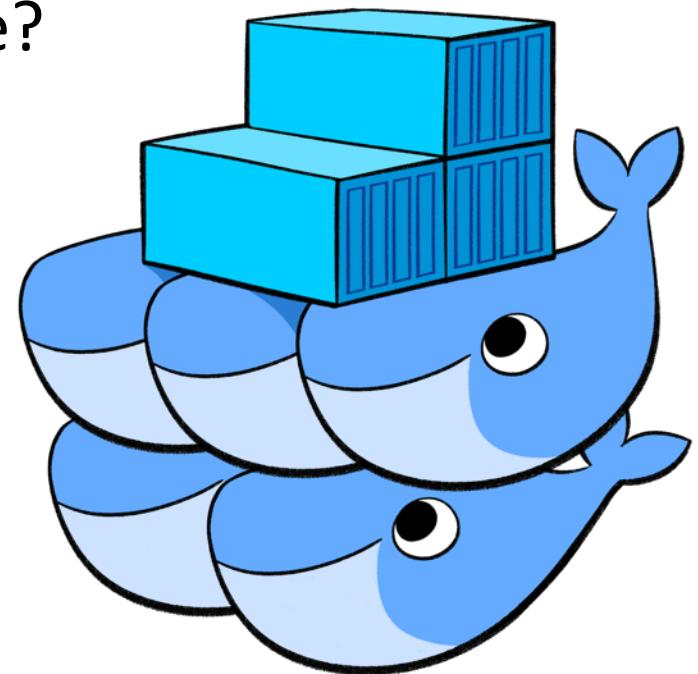
Docker SWARM

- **Raft consensus group** consists of internal distributed state store and all manager nodes.
- **Internal Distributed State Store** is a built-in key-value store of Docker Swarm mode.
- **Manager Node** conducts orchestration and management tasks. Docker Swarm mode allows multiple manager nodes in a cluster. However, only one of the manager nodes can be selected as a leader.
- **Worker Node** receives and executes tasks directly from the manager node
- **Node Availability**: In Docker Swarm mode, all nodes with ACTIVE availability can be assigned new tasks, even the manager node can assign itself new tasks (unless it is in DRAIN mode).
- **Service** consists of one or more replica tasks which are specified by users when first creating the service.
- **Task**: A task in Docker Swarm mode refers to the combination of a single docker container and commands of how it will be run.

Docker SWARM
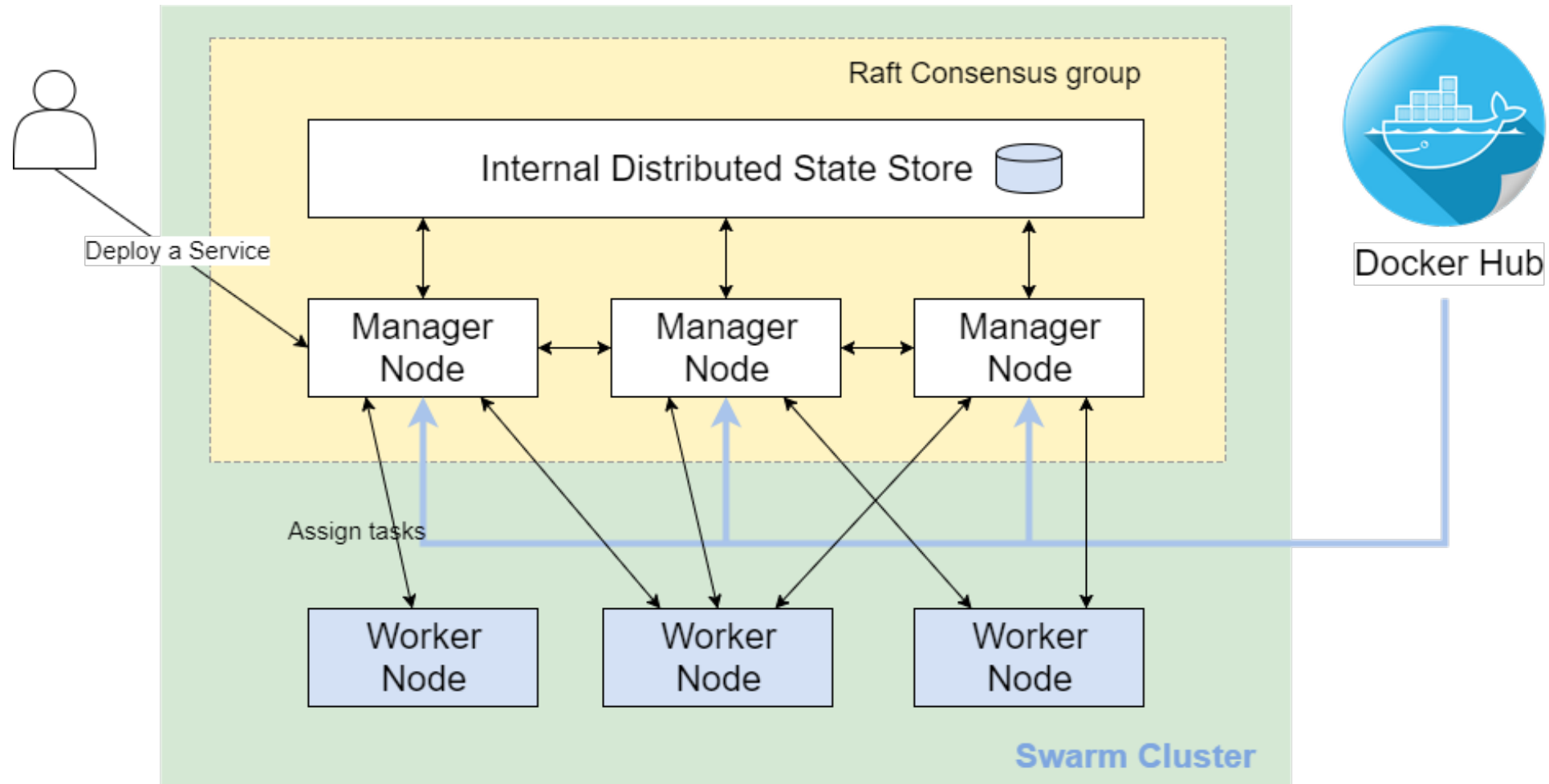
An N manager cluster tolerates the loss of at most (N-1)/2 managers

Demo 4: Docker in SWARM mode

Docker Machine (now in maintenance mode) lets you install Docker Engine on virtual hosts and manage the hosts with docker-machine commands. You can use Docker Machine to create Docker hosts on a local computer, across a network, in a data centre, or on cloud providers.

Installation (tested on macOS Big Sur on Intel only):

- Install Oracle VM VirtualBox ➡ Download Page
- **RESTART!!!**
- Install Docker Machine ➡ GitHub Release Page

Demo 4: Docker in SWARM mode

In this demo we will create one manager and two workers.

Syntax: docker-machine create [OPTIONS] [ARG...]
docker-machine create manager
docker-machine create worker1
docker-machine create worker2

For Windows users:
*docker-machine create --driver hyperv *
--hyperv-virtual-switch <vswitch-name> manager

➔ *https://docs.docker.com/machine/drivers/hyper-v/*

Demo 4: Create Docker Machines

```
❯ docker-machine create manager

Running pre-create checks...
Creating machine...
(manager) Copying /Users/yaop3/.docker/machine/cache/boot2docker.iso to /Users/yaop3/.docker/machine/ma
chines/manager/boot2docker.iso...
(manager) Creating VirtualBox VM...
(manager) Creating SSH key...
(manager) Starting the VM...
(manager) Check network to re-create if needed...
(manager) Waiting for an IP...
Waiting for machine to be running, this may take a few minutes...
Detecting operating system of created instance...
Waiting for SSH to be available...
Detecting the provisioner...
Provisioning with boot2docker...
Copying certs to the local machine directory...
Copying certs to the remote machine...
Setting Docker configuration on the remote daemon...
Checking connection to Docker...
Docker is up and running!
To see how to connect your Docker Client to the Docker Engine running on this virtual machine, run: doc
ker-machine env manager
```

Demo 4: Docker Machines

docker-machine ls

```
❯ docker-machine ls
NAME       ACTIVE   DRIVER       STATE     URL                              SWARM   DOCKER      ERRORS
manager    -        virtualbox   Running   tcp://192.168.99.100:2376                v19.03.12
worker1    -        virtualbox   Running   tcp://192.168.99.101:2376                v19.03.12
worker2    -        virtualbox   Running   tcp://192.168.99.102:2376                v19.03.12
```

docker-machine ssh manager

```
❯ docker-machine ssh manager
   ( '>')
  /) TC (\     Core is distributed with ABSOLUTELY NO WARRANTY.
 (/-_--_-\)           www.tinycorelinux.net

docker@manager:~$ docker images
REPOSITORY          TAG               IMAGE ID          CREATED          SIZE
docker@manager:~$ ▊
```

docker-machine ssh manager docker images

```
❯ docker-machine ssh manager docker images
REPOSITORY          TAG               IMAGE ID          CREATED          SIZE
```

Demo 4: Create a Docker SWARM

Syntax: docker swarm init [OPTIONS]
docker-machine ssh manager docker swarm init --advertise-addr 192.168.99.100

```
› docker-machine ssh manager docker swarm init --advertise-addr 192.168.99.100
Swarm initialized: current node (hne18643ctk1s1in27ca5p4dc) is now a manager.

To add a worker to this swarm, run the following command:

    docker swarm join --token SWMTKN-1-04f7ae227i0745r4w3ew7sh3n3b289mdi1r3sbvv1t11y108ll-6xu225f5zs5b8xqe0pi7zg0vy 192
.168.99.100:2377

To add a manager to this swarm, run 'docker swarm join-token manager' and follow the instructions.
```

docker-machine ssh manager docker swarm join-token worker

```
› docker-machine ssh manager docker swarm join-token worker

To add a worker to this swarm, run the following command:

    docker swarm join --token SWMTKN-1-5v19j7hf7458mozb9xdjrx5qp3g5erkyiwqlg9wt2o5df7f1yv-c3wgo6317yoa1
ct3ku75z01xc 192.168.99.100:2377
```

Demo 4: Join a Docker SWARM

Syntax: docker swarm join [OPTIONS]

docker-machine ssh worker1 docker swarm join --token <token> 192.168.99.100:2377

```
❯ docker-machine ssh worker1 docker swarm join --token SWMTKN-1-5v19j7hf7458mozb9xdjrx5qp3g5erkyiwqlg9w
t2o5df7f1yv-c3wgo6317yoa1ct3ku75z01xc 192.168.99.100:2377
This node joined a swarm as a worker.
❯ docker-machine ssh worker2 docker swarm join --token SWMTKN-1-5v19j7hf7458mozb9xdjrx5qp3g5erkyiwqlg9w
t2o5df7f1yv-c3wgo6317yoa1ct3ku75z01xc 192.168.99.100:2377
This node joined a swarm as a worker.
```

docker-machine ssh manager docker node ls

```
❯ docker-machine ssh manager docker node ls
ID                          HOSTNAME       STATUS      AVAILABILITY      MANAGER STATU
S       ENGINE VERSION
m7d0so42vc7z2vxd3iszj8hkf * manager        Ready       Active            Leader
        19.03.12
j77uhsqxf38eulqf5yopzoahu   worker1        Ready       Active
        19.03.12
3gp9lkeoxld6oes7ekhymdnsx   worker2        Ready       Active
        19.03.12
```

Demo 4: Create a Service

- Create a service
  Syntax: docker service create [OPTIONS] IMAGE [COMMAND]
  docker-machine ssh manager docker service create --replicas 3 -p 8083:80 --name nginx nginx:alpine
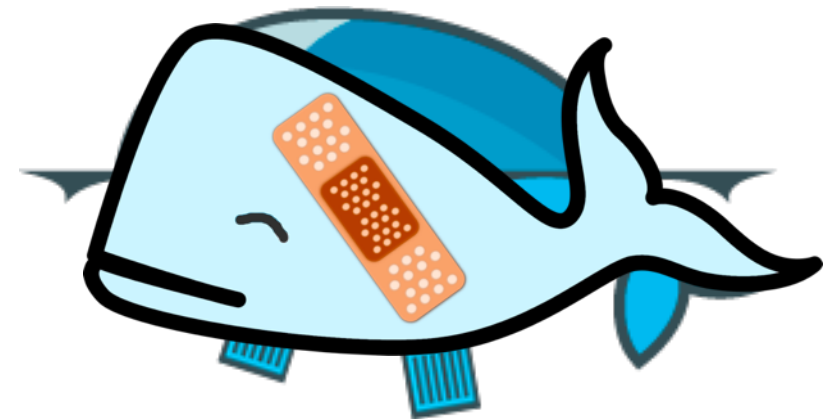
- List a service
  Syntax: docker service ls [OPTIONS]
  docker-machine ssh manager docker service ls

- Check a service
  Syntax: docker service ps [OPTIONS] SERVICE [SERVICE …]
  docker-machine ssh manager docker service ps nginx

What if one of the containers stops?

It is self-healing …

Demo 4: Scaling and Update

- Scale up / down
  Syntax: docker service scale SERVICE=REPLICAS
  docker-machine ssh manager docker service scale nginx=6

  docker-machine ssh manager docker service scale nginx=1

- Update
  Syntax: docker service update [OPTIONS] SERVICE
  docker-machine ssh manager docker service update --image alwynpan/comp90024:demo1 nginx

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