Information Retrieval Lab

Welcome to the Information Retrieval Class 2023

Agenda

- 1. Organization
- 2. Project Info
- 3. Hands-on Tutorial

Communication

Slides, Announcements & Materials will be available at

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https://temir.org/teaching/information-retrieval-ss23/information-retrieval-ss23.html
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- Main Communication channel is email
 - Official announcements via Mail (check your student mails regularly!)
 - Optional Discord for group communication ¹

¹server "webis-lectures", mail us for access code

Grading

Two assessments:

□ Project: **Deadlines: 02.05.23, 06.06.23, 27.06.23**

□ Exam: Date: TBA

Project and Exam are mandatory and worth 50% each.

□ to receive a final grade, must receive a passing grade in both.

Project

You will create a domain-specific search engine for a collection of information retrieval publications, collected over the past decades, called the IR Anthology.

Project

- Project contents:
 - Building and evaluating a domain-specific information retrieval system
 - Data handling, indexing, implementation of suitable retrieval models, evaluation of search quality
- Three times throughout the term (for each milestone) you will hand in a jupyter notebook containing
 - Code
 - For each code snippet a description of what the code does in text form
 - A reflection on your process

The project consists of 3 Milestones:

- Data (Deadline: 02.05.23)
- Methods (Deadline: 06.06.23)
- Analysis (Deadline: 27.06.23)

Preliminary Term Overview + Milestones

Milestones: 1) Data, 2) Methods, 3) Analysis

□ Tutorials: Docker, Tira 1 [week 1: 04.04.23]

Homework: repeat tutorials + (python + jupyter notebook tutorials if need be)

□ Tutorial: Tira 2, Milestone 1) Data [week 2: 11.04.23]

Homework: work on Milestone 1) Data

□ Q&A [~ week 3: 18.04.23]

Homework: work on Milestone 1) Data

□ Tutorial: Milestone 2) Methods [~ week 5: 02.05.23]
□ DEADLINE Milestone 1) Data, Homework: work on Milestone 2) Methods

□ Q&A [~ week 6: 09.05.23]

Homework: work on Milestone 2) Methods

□ Tutorial: Milestone 3) Analysis [~ week 10: 06.06.23]

□ DEADLINE Milestone 2) Methods, Homework: work on Milestone 3) Analysis

□ Q&A [~ week 11: 13.06.23]

Homework: work on Milestone 3) Analysis

□ Q&A [~ week 13: 27.06.23]

DEADLINE Milestone 3) Analysis

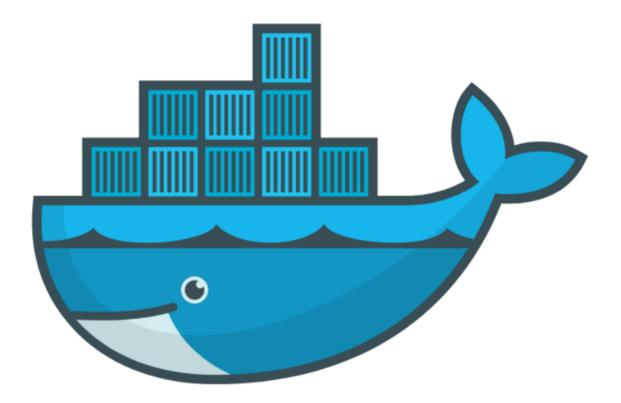
Outline of Todays Tutorial

- We will use modern libraries and tools
 - Docker for deployment
 - ir_datasets for data wrangling
 - PyTerrier for declarative retrieval pipelines

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- Docker Tutorial
- Project Tutorial

Docker Basics

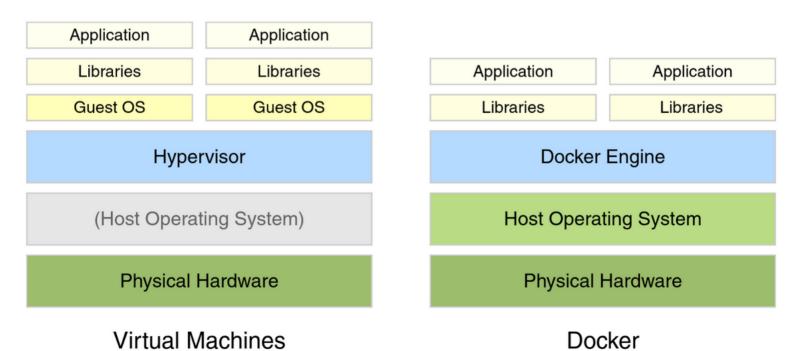


- Goal: If you can start/stop your jupyter notebook everything is fine
- https://docs.docker.com/get-docker/
- We will provide all required commands

Use Cases for Docker

- Run guest systems as containers
- Shipping and running micro services as portable images
- Exploring and experimenting with new technologies
- Encapsulation mechanism to deploy applications in parallel without conflicts

Virtual Machines vs Docker



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Bash Image With Volume Mounts

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docker run --rm -ti -v $PWD:/bla bash
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- □ -v <host_path>:<container_path>: Mount the directory <host_path> on the system to the directory <container_path> within the container
- □ ToDo: Write text to some file so that it is persistent.

Jupyter Notebook and PyTerrier Pipelines with Docker

 We have preprared a Docker image with all reasonable libraries/frameworks preinstalled

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docker run --rm -ti -p 8888:8888 \
   -v $PWD:/workspace/ \
   webis/tira-ir-starter-pyterrier:0.0.1-base \
   jupyter notebook --allow-root --ip 0.0.0.0
```

- □ -p <host_port>:<container_port>: Map port <host_port> on the system to the port <container_port> within the container
- jupyter notebook --allow-root --ip 0.0.0.0: The command executed in the container. This command starts a Jupyter notebook.
- ToDo: Play around with Python in the notebook for a few minutes

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Procedure:

- 1. Implement Docker images to handle data access and retrieval
- 2. Upload image to dedicated image registry in TIRA
- 3. Everything is executed in a Kubernetes cluster

Project Tutorial

Tutorial

https://github.com/tira-io/ir-experiment-platform/tree/main/ir-datasets/tutorial

- □ Covers the full pipeline (data, retrieval, analysis)
- Creates all artifacts

Homework

You must work in groups of between 3 and 5 people.

Homework until next week:

- Find Group!
- Mail us (1) your individual group name, (2) all group members, and (3) put all of your members in CC.
 - Theresa: theresa.elstner@uni-leipzig.de
 - Harry: harry.scells@uni-leipzig.de
- You can get a Discord channel per group (optional, request this per email)