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### Docker

**Exploring Docker** 

INOQ

## **Hello World Container: BusyBox**

\$ docker run busybox echo hello world
hello world

- size-optimization and limited resources in mind
- It is also extremely modular
- provides a fairly complete environment for any small or embedded system
- We ran a single process and echo'ed hello world.

#### **Ubuntu Container**

\$ docker run -it ubuntu
root@3d027a42be4c:/#

- Run a Ubuntu container
- -it is short for -i -t
  - -i connects to containers STDIN
  - -t allocates a pseudo-tty (text terminal)

## **Execute something in our Container**

```
root@3d027a42be4c:/# figlet hello
bash: figlet: command not found
```

- Seems that figlet isn't installed
- Need to install it...

## **Execute something in our Container**

```
root@3d027a42be4c:/# apt-get update
. . .
Fetched 24.3 MB in 5s (4445 kB/s)
Reading package lists... Done
root@3d027a42be4c:/# apt-get install figlet
. . .
Reading state information... Done
The following NEW packages will be
installed:
  figlet
```

- Seems that figlet isn't installed
- Need to install it

## **Execute something in our Container**

- Execute figlet again
- Prints out a beautiful innoQ

#### Exit a container

```
root@3d027a42be4c:/# exit
$ docker ps -a
CONTAINER ID IMAGE COMMAND CREATED STATUS
3d027a42be4c ubuntu "/bin/bash" 12 minutes ago Exited (0) About a minute ago
```

- Type exit or ^d
- Container is now in Exited state
- Still exists, but does not use any compute resource anymore

#### Exercise

- Run a ubuntu container
- 2. Install figlet with apt-get
- 3. Try if figlet works as expected
- 4. Exit from container and check its status
- 5. Try to start another ubuntu container and test if figlet is there....

#### A non-interactive container

```
$ docker run innoq/clock
Mon Oct 3 14:13:42 UTC 2016
Mon Oct 3 14:13:43 UTC 2016
Mon Oct 3 14:13:44 UTC 2016
Mon Oct 3 14:13:45 UTC 2016
. . .
```

- Will run forever
- Stop with ^c
- innoq/clock is a user created image

#### A non-interactive container

\$ docker run -d innoq/clock
aa3cc3b06a93795956cbd3bed77e310314e856e68a059c54b05c90d504e13937

- -d starts container in daemon mode
- There is no output
- Run command returns the container id
- How can I access my container?

#### A non-interactive container

```
$ docker ps

CONTAINER ID IMAGE COMMAND CREATED STATUS NAMES

aa3cc3b06a93 innoq/clock "/bin/sh -c 'while da" About a minute ago Up About a minute desperate_saha
```

- docker ps will show running containers
- It returns:
  - The truncated container id
  - Image name
  - Startup command
  - 0 ...

## **Show Container Logs**

```
$ docker logs desperate_saha
Mon Oct 3 14:27:15 UTC 2016
Mon Oct 3 14:27:16 UTC 2016
Mon Oct 3 14:27:17 UTC 2016
Mon Oct 3 14:27:18 UTC 2016
. . .
```

Will show the entire container log (could be too much)

## **Show tailed Container Logs**

```
$ docker logs --tail 3 desperate_saha
Mon Oct 3 14:27:15 UTC 2016
Mon Oct 3 14:27:16 UTC 2016
Mon Oct 3 14:27:17 UTC 2016
```

- Will show the tailed container log
- 3 is the number of lines to be printed
- Use ^c to exit

## Ways to stop a container

- docker kill
  - Send a KILL signal to the container
  - KILL forces the container to terminate
- docker stop
  - Sends a TERM signal and after 10 Sec a KILL signal
  - More graceful way

#### Exercise

- 1. Start several non-interactive clock container instances
- 2. Try docker ps flags, like
  - a. I (last)
  - b. -q (only ID)
  - c. -a (all)
- 3. Display the container logs
- 4. Provide the prefix of the container id (instead of desperate\_saha)
- 5. Try log -- follow (or -f) to follow the log
- 6. Stop our container (how long does it take?)
- 7. Kill a container

# **Concepts Container rely on**

### Namespaces

- Isolates Linux processes into their own little system environments
- allow aspects of the operating system to be independently modified
  - o pid: Isolated "nested" process trees
  - o net: Entirely different set of networking interfaces
  - o mnt : Independant mount points per process
  - uts: Used for isolating kernel and version identifiers.
  - o ipc: inter-process communication
  - o user: allows to have a different view of the uid and gid ranges than the host system
  - 0 ...

## **Control Groups**

- is a Linux kernel feature to limit, police and account the resource usage for a set of processes.
- Groups are organized hierarchically
- Child cgroups inherit some of the attributes of their parents
- Associates a set of tasks with a set of parameters for one or more subsystems.
- A subsystem is typically a "resource controller" for
  - o Block 10
  - CPU
  - Network Bandwidth
  - Memory
  - 0 ..

## **Union file systems**

- Are file systems that operate by creating layers
- Layers are conceptually stacked on top of each other
- Very lightweight and fast
- Optimized for disk usage, transfer times, and memory use

## **Overlayfs: History**

- Newer / modern implementation of a union filesystem
- Since 2014 part of the kernel mainline (since Kernel 3.18)
- Promise to be
  - faster and has a simple architecture than aufs

## **Overlayfs: How It Works**

Works only with two layers

 multilayered images cannot be implemented.



- Higher files obscure lower files.
- Each layer create its own directory
- Hard links are used to reference data with lower directories.
- File location
- /var/lib/docker/overlay/\*

## Overlayfs2

- Support natively multiple lower OverlayFS layers
- The newest
- With docker 1.12 Overlayfs2 is available works only with kernel
   4.0 and later
- Recommended for production, preferred choice

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### **Container Runtime**



#### What is a Container

A container uses the resource isolation features like cgroups, kernel namespaces, aufs (layered file system), etc. of the Linux Kernel At the end, a running container is a simple Linux process

#### Advantages:

- lightweight "virtualization"
- Networking (exposing ports)
- Stackable Images (easy to use shipment artefact)
- Ecosystem (Image Registries etc.)

#### **Container Runtime**

- Docker
- rkt (CoreOS Inc.)
- LXD (Canonical, based on LXC)
- Flockport (based on LXC)
- LXC (low level infrastructure for container projects)
- Windocks (Docker in Windows)
- OpenVZ
- systemd-nspawn

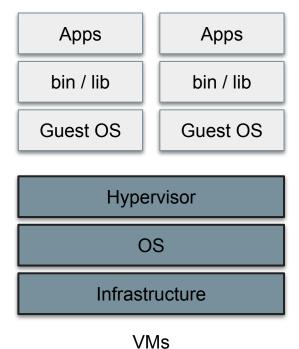
#### Docker

- Standard
- Widely used
- Execution of containers is now handled by containerd (starts the container using runC).

## **Rkt (CoreOS)**

- the only stable container runtime engine that meets the Open Container Initiative (OCI)'s container image specification
- Runs Docker images
   (converts the Docker image on the fly to the standard spec)
- Runs container as real virtualization (optional)
- API, that makes it easier to integrate with scheduling and orchestration platforms
- enhanced with more granular visibility and controls for handling security configurations
- No "init" daemon launching containers directly from client commands,

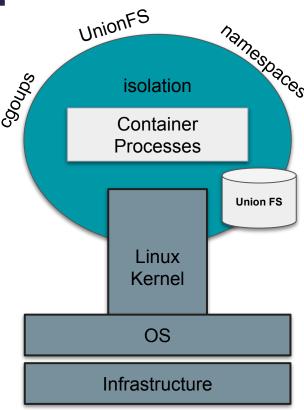
### **What is Docker**



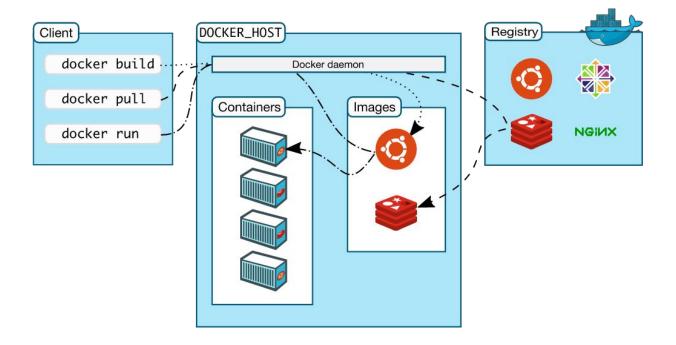
Apps Apps bin / lib bin / lib **Docker Engine** OS Infrastructure

Container

### **What is Docker**



#### **Docker Architecture**



## **Image Size**

- Official Java Image
- Scala App on custom Java Image -> ~ 350 MB

-> ~ 640 MB

- Java Image on Alpine
   -> ~ 125 MB
- Binary on Alpine Linux -> ~ 10 MB

### **Docker History example**

```
$ docker history my-curator
TMAGE
                   CREATED
                                       CREATED BY
                                                                                       SIZE
7d13b0f92b34
                   38 seconds ago
                                       /bin/sh -c #(nop) CMD ["curator"]
                                                                                       0 B
f79af82e16a1
                  38 seconds ago
                                       /bin/sh -c #(nop) ENTRYPOINT ["/docker-entryp
                                                                                       0 B
e08c288cc2cb
                                                                                       0 B
                   39 seconds ago
                                       /bin/sh -c #(nop) ENV ELASTICSEARCH HOST=elas
                                                                                       0 B
9d667780e3d3
                   39 seconds ago
                                       /bin/sh -c #(nop) ENV OLDER THAN IN DAYS=20
                                                                                       0 B
44783eb19e90
                   39 seconds ago
                                       /bin/sh -c #(nop) ENV INTERVAL IN HOURS=24
                                                                                       552 B
60af6dafd3e4
                   39 seconds ago
                                       /bin/sh -c #(nop) COPY file:fcc5b305d95782af1
c61906248ce2
                   39 seconds ago
                                       /bin/sh -c pip install elasticsearch-curator=
                                                                                      3.584 MB
ealf19ee32e2
                   43 seconds ago
                                       /bin/sh -c groupadd -r curator && useradd -r
                                                                                       330.4 kB
1f6f8180a401
                   44 seconds ago
                                       /bin/sh -c arch="$(dpkg --print-architecture)
                                                                                       2.267 MB
fdde9931a4e8
                   50 seconds ago
                                       /bin/sh -c qpq --keyserver ha.pool.sks-keyser
                                                                                      134.5 kB
6b494b5f019c
                   2 weeks ago
                                       /bin/sh -c #(nop) CMD ["python2"]
                                                                                       0 B
<missina>
                   2 weeks ago
                                       /bin/sh -c pip install --no-cache-dir virtual
                                                                                       7.898 MB
<missing>
                                                                                       49.37 MB
                   2 weeks ago
                                       /bin/sh -c set -ex && buildDeps=' tcl-dev
<missing>
                                                                                       0 B
                   2 weeks ago
                                       /bin/sh -c #(nop) ENV PYTHON PIP VERSION=8.1.
                                                                                       0 B
<missing>
                   2 weeks ago
                                       /bin/sh -c #(nop) ENV PYTHON VERSION=2.7.12
                                                                                       0 B
<missing>
                   2 weeks ago
                                       /bin/sh -c #(nop) ENV GPG KEY=C01E1CAD5EA2C4F
<missing>
                   2 weeks ago
                                       /bin/sh -c apt-get update && apt-get install
                                                                                       7.751 MB
<missing>
                   2 weeks ago
                                       /bin/sh -c #(nop) ENV LANG=C.UTF-8
                                                                                       0 B
                                                                                       0 B
<missing>
                   2 weeks ago
                                       /bin/sh -c #(nop) ENV PATH=/usr/local/bin:/us
<missing>
                   2 weeks ago
                                       /bin/sh -c apt-get update && apt-get install
                                                                                      319.1 MB
                                       /bin/sh -c apt-get update && apt-get install
                                                                                     122.6 MB
<missing>
                   6 weeks ago
<missing>
                   6 weeks ago
                                       /bin/sh -c apt-get update && apt-get install
                                                                                      44.3 MB
                                       /bin/sh -c #(nop) CMD ["/bin/bash"]
<missing>
                   6 weeks ago
                                                                                       0 B
<missing>
                                       /bin/sh -c #(nop) ADD file:0e0565652aa852f620
                   6 weeks ago
                                                                                      125.1 MB
```

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## **Docker Images**



## Container vs. images

- An image is a read-only filesystem
- A Container
  - Is a set of processes created in that file system
  - Is working with a read-write layer added to the image (copy on write)

#### OOP analogy

- Images are similar to classes
- Layers are similar to inheritance
- Containers are similar to instances

## **Creating an Image from Scratch**

- A special empty image called scratch allows to build images from scratch
- docker import:
   Imports the contents from a tarball to create a filesystem image
- The imported tarball becomes a standalone image
- That new image has a single layer

Usually such kind of tarball is called Root File System, is script generated and forms a Base Linux Distribution image (e.g. Alpine, Ubuntu, etc.)

#### Other commands

#### docker commit

- Saves all container's file changes or settings into a new layer
- Creates a new image

#### docker build

- Build an image from a Dockerfile
- A Dockerfile is a repeatable build sequence

## **Sorts of Images**

- Official Images (e.g. ubuntu, centos)
  - Curated set of Docker repositories that are promoted on Docker Hub
  - Provide essential base OS repositories
  - Provide drop-in solutions (data stores, runtimes, ...)
  - Exemplify Dockerfile best practices
  - Provide a channel for software vendors to redistribute up-to-date and supported versions of their products.
- User Images (e.g. innoq/clock)
  - holds images for Docker Hub users and organizations
- Self-hosted images (e.g. my.reg.io:2345/ssl-proxy)
  - holds images which are not hosted on Docker Hub, but on third party registries

## Display the list of pulled images

<pre>\$ docker images</pre>				
REPOSITORY	TAG	IMAGE ID	CREATED	SIZE
ubuntu	latest	c73a085dc378	7 days ago	127.1 MB
python	2.7	6b494b5f019c	5 weeks ago	676.1 MB
nats	latest	182553468429	8 weeks ago	7.534 MB
anapsix/alpine-java	8_server-jre	839a695b9726	8 weeks ago	125.2 MB
ches/kafka	latest	d6179d756438	11 weeks ago	697.3 MB
busybox	latest	2b8fd9751c4c	3 months ago	1.093 MB
digitalwonderland/zookeeper	latest	deadd4d18859	11 months ago	437.9 MB
digitalwonderland/base	latest	51fae42da917	11 months ago	214.3 MB
anapsix/nyancat	latest	5bd1209bb5e2	13 months ago	2.769 MB
innoq/clock	latest	12068b93616f	19 months ago	2.433 MB

## Pulling an image

```
$ docker pull anapsix/alpine-java:jre7
jre7: Pulling from anapsix/alpine-java
e110a4a17941: Pull complete
8130b3fa5614: Pull complete
Digest: sha256:14afb54bfdb3f0d2c267aac477301c816771d91f8a89a499a589764d378ed498
Status: Downloaded newer image for anapsix/alpine-java:jre7
```

- Images are made of layers (two in this case)
- User anapsix provided image alpine-java with version tag jre7
- Tags define image versions, revisions or variants
- Not tag refers to :latest tag
- :latest is generally updated often

#### Exercise

- 1. Search for images
  - a. With docker search <whatever> (f.e. java)
  - b. https://hub.docker.com/
- 2. Pull images with docker pull
- 3. Try different tags

# **Building Images Interactively**

## **Building Images Interactively**

- In a former example we used a ubuntu image
- Missed and installed figlet
- We now want to have an image with figlet
- First we'll do it manually with docker commit
- Later, we'll use Dockerfile

## **Building Images Interactively: install**

```
$ docker run -it ubuntu
Unable to find image 'ubuntu:latest' locally
latest: Pulling from library/ubuntu
9f03ce1741bf: Pull complete
Digest: sha256:28d4c5234db8d5a634d5e621c363d900f8f241240ee0a6a978784c978fe9c737
Status: Downloaded newer image for ubuntu:latest
root@071c8c200564:/#apt-get update && apt-get install figlet
Fetched 24.3 MB in 12s (1897 kB/s)
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree
Reading state information... Done
The following NEW packages will be installed:
  figlet
root@071c8c200564:/# exit
exit
```

## **Building Images Interactively: diff**

```
$ docker diff boring_carson
C /.wh..wh.plnk
A /.wh..wh.plnk/98.1577025
C /etc
C /etc/alternatives
A /etc/alternatives/figlet
A /etc/alternatives/figlet.6.gz
. . .
```

docker diff: Inspect changes on the container's filesystem we've made

- A -> Add
- D -> Delete
- C -> Change

## **Building Images Interactively: commit**

docker commit: commits a container's file changes or settings into a new image
Output is the newly created image ID

## **Building Images Interactively: tag**

```
$ docker images
REPOSITORY
                                            TMAGE ID
                      TAG
                                                                 CREATED
                                                                                     SIZE
                      <none>
                                            696f3dbc1633
                                                                 4 seconds ago
                                                                                     167.1 MB
<none>
$ docker tag 696f3dbc1633 figlet
$ docker images
REPOSITORY
                      TAG
                                                                                     SIZE
                                            TMAGE ID
                                                                CREATED
figlet
                                            696f3dbc1633
                      latest
                                                                 7 minutes ago
                                                                                     167.1 MB
```

docker tag: tags an image into a repository

#### Exercise

- 1. Run an interactive ubuntu container
- 2. Install figlet
- 3. Test if it works as expected
- 4. Stop the container
- 5. Check what has changed and commit the changes
- 6. Tag the new image and run a new container with this image
- 7. Test if figlet is installed and working

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## **Dockerfile**



#### Dockerfile

- Instructions . . .
- tell docker how to construct an image
- are commands a user could call on the command line to assemble an image

 The docker build command builds an image from a Dockerfile

#### **Our first Dockerfile**

```
FROM ubuntu
RUN apt-get update
RUN apt-get install figlet
```

- This is our figlet example as Dockerfile
- The FROM instruction sets the Base Image for subsequent instructions
- The RUN instruction will execute a commands in a new layer on top of the current image and commit the results
  - RUN needs to be non interactive, you cannot answer apt-get questions (use -y flag)

## **Build the Image**

```
$ docker build -t figlet .
```

- docker build builds Docker images from a Dockerfile and a "context"
- -t indicates name and optionally a tag in the 'name: tag' format
- is the location of the build context

## **Build the Image**

```
$ docker build -t figlet .
Sending build context to Docker daemon 2.048
kΒ
                         Ubuntu image id
Step 1: FROM ubunt
 ---> c73a085dc378
                                   R/W image id
Step 2: RUN apt-get update
 ---> Running in 5de7bd1b6892 committed image id
 ---> 3775c7adf3df
Removing intermediate container 5de7bd1b6892
Step 3: RUN apt-get install figlet
 ---> Running in 930f62dccb73
---> ab7f493af20e
Removing intermediate container 230f62dccb73
Successfully built ab7f493af20e
```

context is send (as an archive) to docker daemon

final image id that gets named figlet

## Image history

```
$ docker history figlet
IMAGE
               CREATED
                               CREATED BY
                                                                              SIZE
ab7f493af20e 12 minutes ago
                              /bin/sh -c apt-get install figlet
                                                                              1.008 MB
3775c7adf3df
              12 minutes ago
                               /bin/sh -c apt-get update
                                                                              39.02 MB
c73a085dc378
               8 days ago
                               /bin/sh -c #(nop) CMD ["/bin/bash"]
                                                                              0 B
<missing>
               8 days ago
                               /bin/sh -c mkdir -p /run/systemd && echo 'doc
                                                                              7 B
                               /bin/sh -c sed -i 's/^#\s*\(deb.*universe\)$/
<missing>
               8 days ago
                                                                              1.895 kB
<missing>
               8 days ago
                               /bin/sh -c rm -rf /var/lib/apt/lists/*
                                                                              0 B
                               /bin/sh -c set -xe && echo '#!/bin/sh' > /u 745 B
<missing>
               8 days ago
<missing>
               8 days ago
                               /bin/sh -c #(nop) ADD file:cd937b840fff16e04e
                                                                              127.1 MB
```

```
c73a085dc378 -> ubuntu base image
3775c7adf3df -> 1st RUN
ab7f493af20e -> 2nd RUN
```

## **Build the Image again**

```
$ docker build -t figlet .
Sending build context to Docker daemon 2.048 kB
Step 1 : FROM ubuntu
 ---> c73a085dc378
Step 2: RUN apt-get update
 ---> Using cache
 ---> 3775c7adf3df
Step 3: RUN apt-get install figlet
 ---> Using cache
 ---> ab7f493af20e
Successfully built ab7f493af20e
```

#### **Build Cache**

Why is the second build faster?

- existing image in cache?
- instruction string is cache key
- For the ADD and COPY, checksum of the file(s) is used

Things like RUN apt-get update is not re-executed!

If you do not want to use the cache at all, use the --no-cache option

#### **RUN Instruction**

#### **RUN has 2 forms:**

- RUN <command>
   (shell form, the command is run in a shell, which by default is /bin/sh -c on Linux or cmd /S /C on Windows)
- RUN ["executable", "param1", "param2"](exec form)

#### Exercise

FROM ubuntu RUN apt-get update RUN apt-get install figlet

- 1. Create a Dockerfile with the above content
- 2. Build the image with tag figlet
- 3. Try to understand the image history
- 4. Build the image again (check the "using cache" entries)
- 5. Try the no-cache option and build the figlet image again
- 6. Change apt-get install figlet to exec form, build image
- 7. Check docker history, what has changed?

#### **CMD Instruction**

#### Allows us to set the default command to run in a container

- CMD ["executable", "param1", "param2"] (exec form, this is the preferred form)
- CMD ["param1", "param2"](as default parameters to ENTRYPOINT <- see later)</li>
- CMD command param1 param2
   (shell form, command wrapped by /bin/sh -c)

#### Only last CMD will take effect

## Exercise: CMD Instruction

FROM ubuntu
RUN apt-get update
RUN apt-get install figlet
CMD figlet hello innoQ

- 1. Use the above Dockerfile to create a new figlet image
- 2. Run image figlet
- 3. What happens if you run docker run figlet figlet Hello?
- 4. What happens if you run docker run -it figlet bash?

#### **ENTRYPOINT Instruction**

An ENTRYPOINT allows you to configure a container that will run as an executable. It allows arguments to be passed to the entry point.

- ENTRYPOINT ["executable", "param1", "param2"] (exec form, preferred)
- ENTRYPOINT command param1 param2
   (shell form, command wrapped by /bin/sh -c)

#### **ENTRYPOINT Instruction**

```
FROM ubuntu
RUN apt-get update
RUN apt-get install figlet
ENTRYPOINT ["figlet", "-f", "script"]
```

- ENTRYPOINT defines a base command (and its parameters) for the container
- Command line arguments are appended to those parameters

#### Only last ENTRYPOINT will take effect

#### **CMD and ENTRYPOINT Instruction**

```
FROM ubuntu
RUN apt-get update
RUN apt-get install figlet
ENTRYPOINT ["figlet", "-f", "script"]
CMD ["hello innoQ"]
```

- ENTRYPOINT is the base command
- CMD are the default parameter

#### **CMD and ENTRYPOINT Instruction**

#### remember:

- Shell form replaces environment parameter
   Exec form doesn't
- Shell form does not deliver signals
   Exec form does
- To ensure that docker stop will signal any long running executable correctly use exec, f.e.:

ENTRYPOINT exec top -b

## Exercise: CMD and ENTRYPOINT

```
FROM ubuntu
RUN apt-get update
RUN apt-get install figlet
ENTRYPOINT ["figlet", "-f", "script"]
```

- 1. Build the figlet image with the ENTRYPOINT instruction
- 2. Run image with docker run figlet Image with ENTRYPOINT
- 3. What happens (if we use the ENTRYPOINT Shell Form)?
- 4. Append CMD ["hello innoQ"] to Dockerfile and rebuild figlet image
- 5. Execute container with docker run figlet
- 6. What happens with docker run figlet HiHo?

## BTW: Some useful cleanup commands

- docker ps -a | grep ago | awk '{print \$1}' | xargs docker rm -f
  docker ps -a | grep registry.com | awk '{print \$1}' | xargs docker rm -f
  docker images | grep "<none>" | awk '{print \$3}' | xargs docker rmi
  docker images | grep deployment01 | awk '{print \$1 ":" \$2}' | xargs docker rmi
- docker run --rm . . .
- docker rm \$(docker ps -a -q)
- docker rmi \$(docker images -q)

#### **COPY Instruction**

The COPY instruction copies new files or directories from <src> and adds them to the filesystem of the container at the path <dest>

- COPY <src>... <dest>
- COPY ["<src>",... "<dest>"]

(this form is required for paths containing whitespace)

```
COPY hom* /mydir/  # adds all files starting with "hom"

COPY hom?.txt /mydir/  # ? is replaced with any single character, e.g., "home.txt"

COPY test relativeDir/  # adds "test" to `WORKDIR`/relativeDir/

COPY test /absoluteDir/  # adds "test" to /absoluteDir/
```

#### Exercise: COPY

1. Create a File hello.c with the following content:

```
int main () {
  puts("Hello, innoQ!");
}

FROM ubuntu
RUN apt-get update
RUN apt-get install -y build-essential
COPY hello.c /
RUN make hello
CMD /hello
```

- 2. Build the image with build -t hello . and rebuild it (wo/w modification of hello.c)
- 3. Run the image (docker run --rm hello)

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#### **Advanced Dockerfile**



## **Dockerfile Usage**

- Instructions are executed in order (except CMD and ENTRYPOINT)
- Each instruction adds a new image layer
- There is an instruction cache
- Only the last CMD / ENTRYPOINT is used
- There are best practices (-> later)

## **FROM Again**

```
FROM <image>
FROM <registry/image>:<tag>
FROM <image>@<digest>
```

- FROM must be the first non-comment instruction in the Dockerfile.
- FROM can appear multiple times within a single Dockerfile in order to create multiple images (build fails as soon as an instructions fails)
- The tag or digest values are optional. If you omit either of them, the builder assumes a latest by default.

## **RUN Again**

- Used during image creation
  - Install libraries, packages etc.
- Do not start a process in a container with RUN

```
RUN apt-get update && apt-get install -y \
    aufs-tools \
    . . . \
    ruby1.9.1-dev \
    s3cmd=1.1.* \
    && rm -rf /var/lib/apt/lists/*
```

- One RUN instruction (using && and \) creates one image layer
- removing the apt cache /var/lib/apt/lists helps keep the image size down

#### **EXPOSE**

- Indicates the ports on which the container will listen for connections
- EXPOSE does not make the ports of the container accessible to the host
  - Use the -p flag to publish a range of ports (even if they are not EXPOSEd) docker run -p 1234-1236:1234/tcp ...
  - Use the -P flag to publish all of the exposed ports
     Docker binds each exposed port to a random port on the host docker run -P ...

```
EXPOSE 8080
EXPOSE 80 443
EXPOSE 53/tcp 53/udp
```

#### **ADD**

#### Almost like COPY

- ADD <src>... <dest>
- ADD ["<src>",... "<dest>"](this form is required for paths containing whitespace)

Copies new files, directories or remote file URLs from <src> and adds them to the filesystem of the container at the path <dest>.

ADD hom\* /mydir/

ADD hom?.txt /mydir/

ADD http://www.example.com/webapp.jar /opt/

ADD ./assets.zip /var/www/htdocs/assets/

If <src> is a local tar archive in a recognized compression format (identity, gzip, bzip2 or xz) then it is unpacked as a directory

Resources from remote URLs are not decompressed.

#### **WORKDIR**

Sets the working directory for any RUN, CMD, ENTRYPOINT, COPY and ADD instructions that follow it in the Dockerfile.

It can be used multiple times in the one Dockerfile

WORKDIR /a
WORKDIR b
WORKDIR c
ENV DIRPATH /path
WORKDIR \$DIRPATH/\$DIRNAME

#### **ENV**

#### Sets the environment variable <key> to the value <value>

- ENV <key> <value>
   sets a single variable to a value
- ENV <key>=<value> ...
   allows multiple variables to be set at one time

Environment can be changed with docker run -e <key>=<value>

```
ENV myName="John Doe" myDog=Rex\ The\ Dog \
myCat=fluffy
ENV myDog Rex The Dog
```

#### **USER**

Sets the user name or UID to use when running the image and for any RUN, CMD and ENTRYPOINT instructions

Can be used multiple times

USER daemon

## **Dockerfile Examples**

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```
FROM ubuntu
MAINTAINER Victor Vieux <victor@docker.com>
```

**LABEL** Description="start FBar" Vendor="ACME Products" Version="1.0" **RUN** apt-get update && apt-get install -y inotify-tools nginx apache2

## **Dockerfile Examples**

```
# Install vnc, xvfb in order to create a 'fake' display and firefox
RUN apt-get update && apt-get install -y x11vnc xvfb firefox
RUN mkdir ~/.vnc
# Setup a password
RUN x11vnc -storepasswd 1234 ~/.vnc/passwd
# Autostart firefox (might not be the best way, but it does the trick)
RUN bash -c 'echo "firefox" >> /.bashrc'
EXPOSE 5900
CMD ["x11vnc", "-forever", "-usepw", "-create"]
```

# **Best practices**

## **Best practices for writing Dockerfiles**

- Containers should be ephemeral
  - Can be stopped and destroyed and a new one built and put in place with an absolute minimum of set-up and configuration
- Avoid installing unnecessary packages
  - No texteditor in a DB image
  - clean caches and unneeded directories
- Only one process per container
  - Decouple applications into multiple containers
- Minimize the number of layers
  - Combine multiple similar commands into one by using & & to continue commands and \ to wrap lines

## **Best practices for writing Dockerfiles**

- ADD and COPY
  - COPY is preferred, because it's more transparent than ADD
- ADD
  - Because image size matters, using ADD to fetch packages from remote
     URLs is strongly discouraged; use curl or wget instead

```
ADD http://example.com/big.tar.xz /usr/src/things/
RUN tar -xJf /usr/src/things/big.tar.xz -C
/usr/src/things
RUN make -C /usr/src/things all
```

```
RUN mkdir -p /usr/src/things \
    && curl -SL http://example.com/big.tar.xz \
    | tar -xJC /usr/src/things \
    && make -C /usr/src/things all
```

## **Best practices for writing Dockerfiles**

- COPY
  - COPY dependency lists (package.json, requirements.txt, etc.) by themselves to avoid reinstalling unchanged dependencies every time.

```
FROM python
COPY . /src/
WORKDIR /src
RUN pip install -qr requirements.txt
EXPOSE 5000
CMD ["python", "app.py"]
```

```
FROM python
COPY ./requirements.txt /tmp/requirements.txt
RUN pip install -qr /tmp/requirements.txt
COPY . /src/
WORKDIR /src
EXPOSE 5000
CMD ["python", "app.py"]
```