Dockers 101 – Series 7 of N – Setting up a NodeJs Docker Application

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- Requirement:
 - Setting up a NodeJs Docker Application
- Strategy:
 - Create the files needed to run the NodeJS application
 - Create a Dockerfile
 - Build, run, push and pull the image
 - How to use **ONBUILD** to delay a dependency till build time
- Solution:
 - Login to your Host machine(in my case a CentOS 7 machine)
 - Make a directory "mynodejs" and go to the directory mkdir mynodejs && cd mynodejs
 - Create a file **package.json** with the following component and save

```
"name": "my_docker_nodejs_app",
"version": "1.0.0",
"description": "My Docker NodeJs App",
"author": "MOhd Naeem <naeem.mohd@hotmail.com>",
"main": "server.js",

"scripts": {
    "start": "node server.js"
},

"dependencies": {
    "express": "^4.16.1"
}
```

• Create a file **server.js** with the following component and save

```
'use strict';

const express = require('express');

// Constants

const PORT = 8080;

const HOST = '0.0.0.0';

// App

const app = express();

app.get('/', (req, res) => {

res.send('Hello world\n');
});

app.listen(PORT, HOST);

console.log(`Running on <a href="http://$\frac{http://$\frac{1}{2}}{http://$\frac{1}{2}}$] (http://$\frac{1}{2});

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- Create a file **Dockerfile** with the following component and save
 - # starting from base image node:alpine

FROM node:7-alpine

Creating an app directory on the container

RUN mkdir -p /src/app

setup working directory

WORKDIR /src/app

- # Installing any app dependencies
- # A wildcard being used to ensure both package.json and package-lock.json are copied
- # if nodejs V>5+

COPY package*.json /src/app

- # For PROD env only use flag -only=production
- # e.g RUN npm install -only=production
- # Running npm install in Non-Prod env.

RUN npm install

Bundle app source

COPY . /src/app

Expose port 3000

EXPOSE 3000

Run command to start npm

CMD ["npm", "start"]

- Create a file **.dockerignore** with the following component and save
 - node_modules npm-debug.log
- Now build the app
 - o docker build -t mynodejsapp-image:v1.
- Now run run the container to run the website
 - o docker run -d -p 49160:8080 mynodejsapp-image:v1
- Check the content
 - o curl -i localhost:49160

```
root@mnaeemsiddiqui4 myweb]# <mark>docker ima</mark>q
REPOSITORY
                  TAG
                                        IMAGE ID
                                                             CREATED
                                                                                 SIZE
                                        2dea9e73d89e
                    alpine
                                                             26 hours ago
                                                                                 18MB
[root@mnaeemsiddiqui4 myweb]# docker run -d -p 8080:80 nginx:alpine
1c000288013f3961d9ed8f7008b2328aa8119f46517504e4171322bff647ddd4
docker: Error response from daemon: driver failed programming external connectivity on
0.0.0.0:8080 failed: port is already allocated.
[root@mnaeemsiddiqui4 myweb]# curl localhost
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head>
<title>Welcome to nginx!</title>
<style>
   body {
       width: 35em;
       margin: 0 auto;
       font-family: Tahoma, Verdana, Arial, sans-serif;
</style>
</head>
<body>
<h1>Welcome to nginx!</h1>
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
<a href="http://nginx.org/">nginx.org</a>.<br/>
Commercial support is available at
<a href="http://nginx.com/">nginx.com</a>.
<em>Thank you for using nginx.</em>
</body>
</html>
[root@mnaeemsiddiqui4 myweb]#
```

- Now check for the image name for your app and tag it for pushing it to Docker Hub
 - **docker images** # to check for image name
 - o docker tag image username/repository:tag # for tagging
 - o docker tag 4ffd91cdc6a0 mnaeemsiddiqui/naeemsrepo:mynodejsapp-image-v1
 - o **docker login** # to login to the Docker hub
- Now push the image to Docker Hub

docker push mnaeemsiddiqui/naeemsrepo:mynodejsapp-image-v1

```
[root@mnaeemsiddiqui4 mynodejs]# docker images

REPOSITORY TAG IMAGE ID CREATED SIZE

mynodejsapp-image v1 bd199223c10f 3 minutes ago 63MB

node 7-alpine 4b72b56791f9 8 months ago 58.3MB

[root@mnaeemsiddiqui4 mynodejs]# docker tag bd199223c10f mnaeemsiddiqui/naeemsrepo:mynodejsapp-image-v1

[root@mnaeemsiddiqui4 mynodejs]# docker login

Login with your Docker ID to push and pull images from Docker Hub. If you don't have a Docker ID, head over to h
o create one.

Username (mnaeemsiddiqui): mnaeemsiddiqui

Password:

Login Succeeded

[root@mnaeemsiddiqui4 mynodejs]# docker push mnaeemsiddiqui/naeemsrepo:mynodejsapp-image-v1

The push refers to repository [docker.io/mnaeemsiddiqui/naeemsrepo]

41a41ab758aa: Pushed

df302568572f: Pushed

d6966d229abe: Pushed

5a9b0ec8b2c3: Pushed

5a9b0ec8b2c3: Pushed

7o4100542d21: Mounted from library/node
ef464d8dd776: Mounted from library/node
ef464d8dd776: Mounted from library/node
ef464d8dd776: Mounted from library/node
mynodejsapp-image-v1: digest: sha256:3bb6973dldbee0c7f098af446329b3aedee8f80056db91742ce34lb6e100615c size: 1782

[root@mnaeemsiddiqui4 mynodejs]# |
```

- Now pull the image to Docker Hub
 - o docker pull mnaeemsiddiqui/naeemsrepo:mynodejsapp-image-v1
- Now run it on another server
 - o docker run -d -p 49160:8080 mnaeemsiddiqui/naeemsrepo:mynodejsapp-image-v1
 - o curl -i localhost:49160

- Using OnBuild to delay execution of dependencies
- Lets update the Dockerfile with content below
- The big difference is that we are delaying the execution of commands for copying the
 package.json, npm install and copying of source application files till building by using keyword
 build
- build • #starting from base image node:alpine FROM node:7-alpine # Creating an app directory on the container RUN mkdir -p /src/app # setup working directory WORKDIR /src/app # Installing any app dependencies # A wildcard being used to ensure both package.json and package-lock.json are copied # if node is V>5+ **ONBUILD** COPY package*.json /src/app # For PROD env only use flag -only=production # e.g RUN npm install -only=production # Running npm install in Non-Prod env. **ONBUILD** RUN npm install # Bundle app source **ONBUILD** COPY . /src/app
 - # Expose port 3000
 EXPOSE 3000

 # Run command to start npm
 CMD ["npm", "start"]
- Now build and run the application once again.

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