



Introduction to Docker Containers

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Agenda

- Background
- Why are Containers Important?
- What are Containers?
- What is Docker?
- What is an Image?

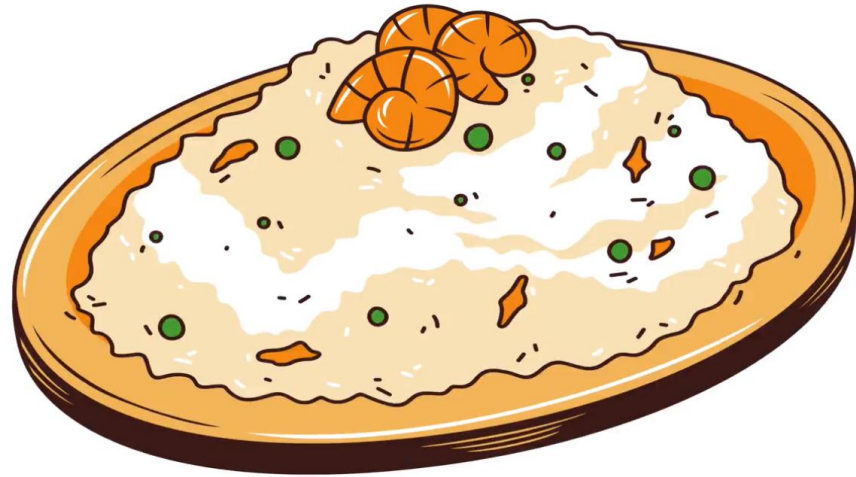
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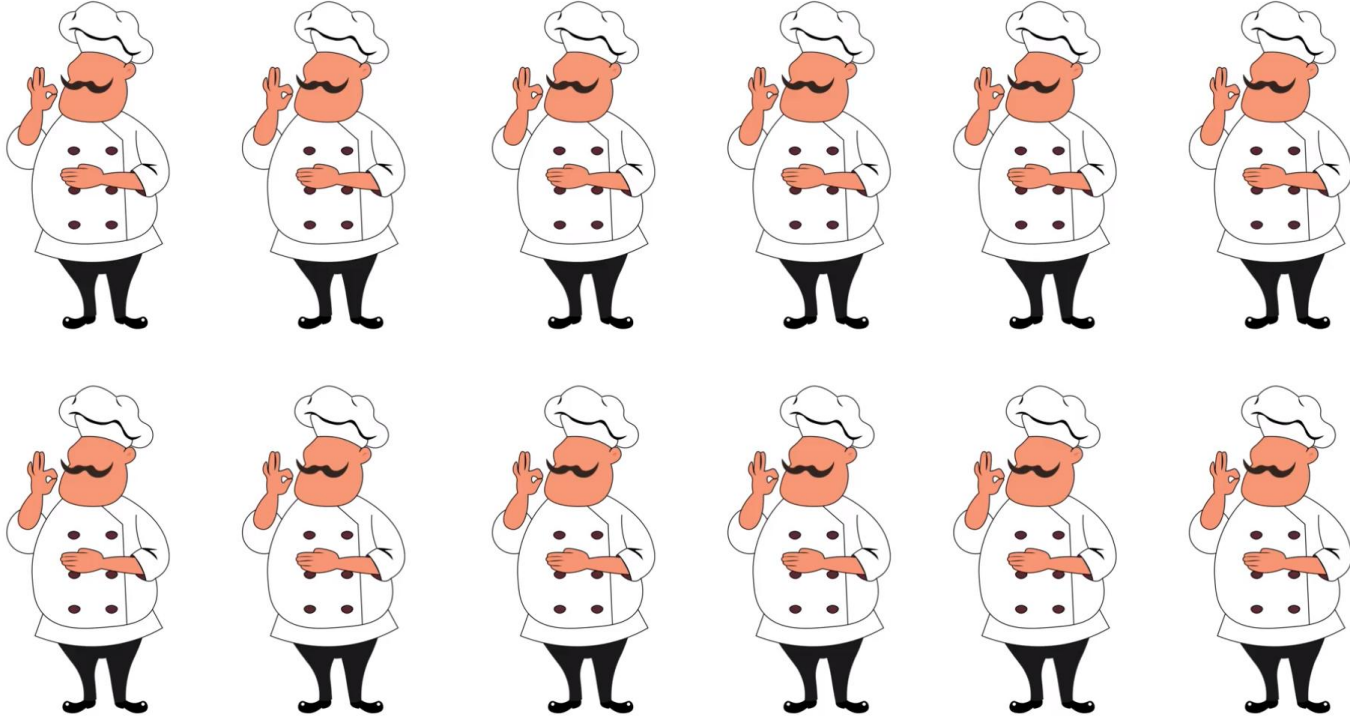
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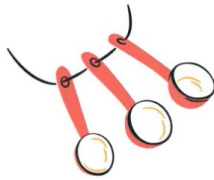
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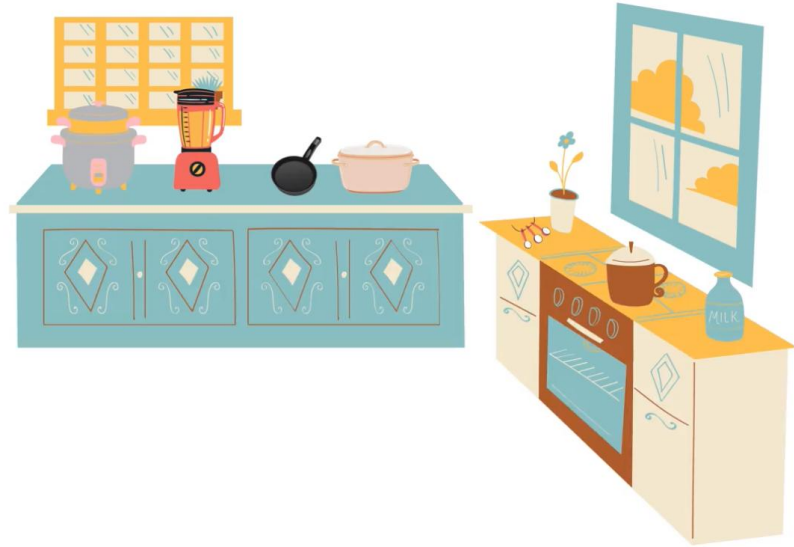
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Why are Containers Important?

What are Containers?

Container

Application

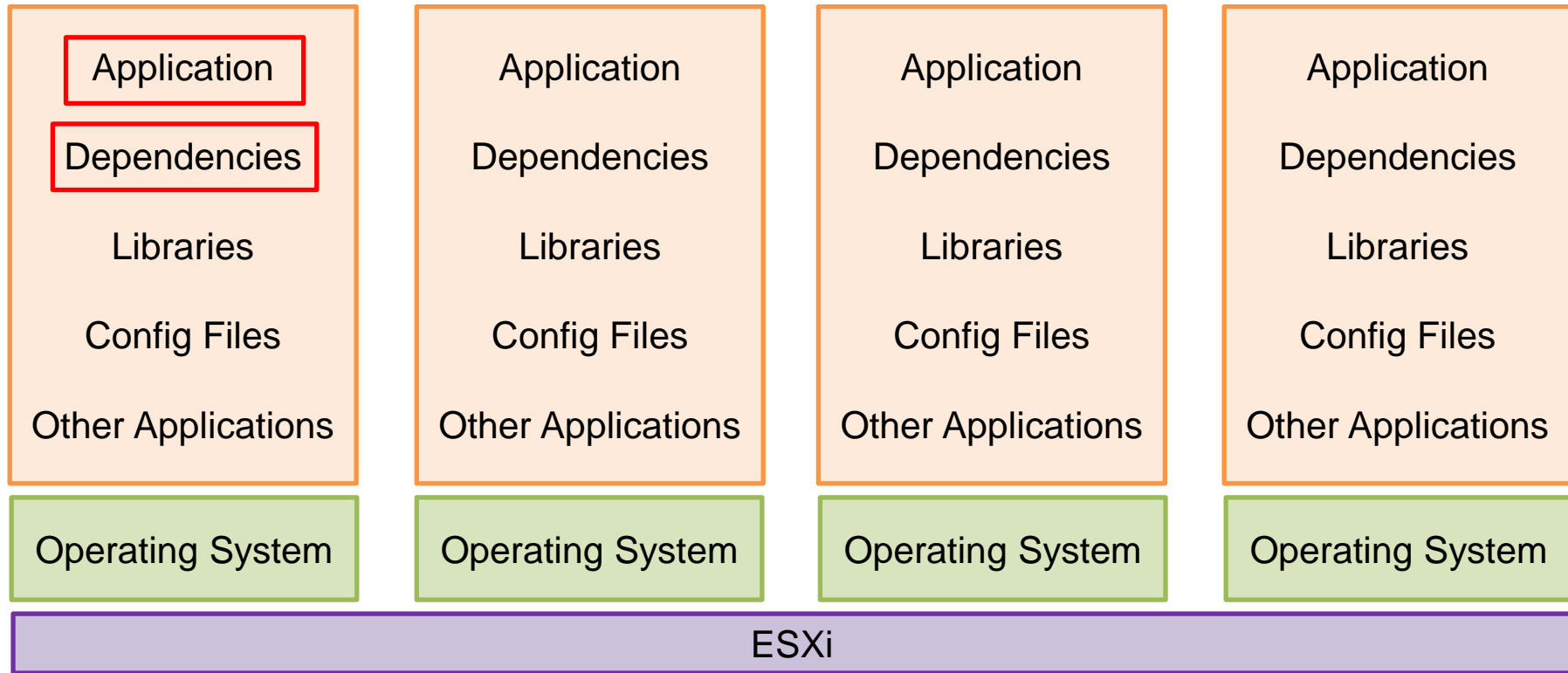
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Libraries

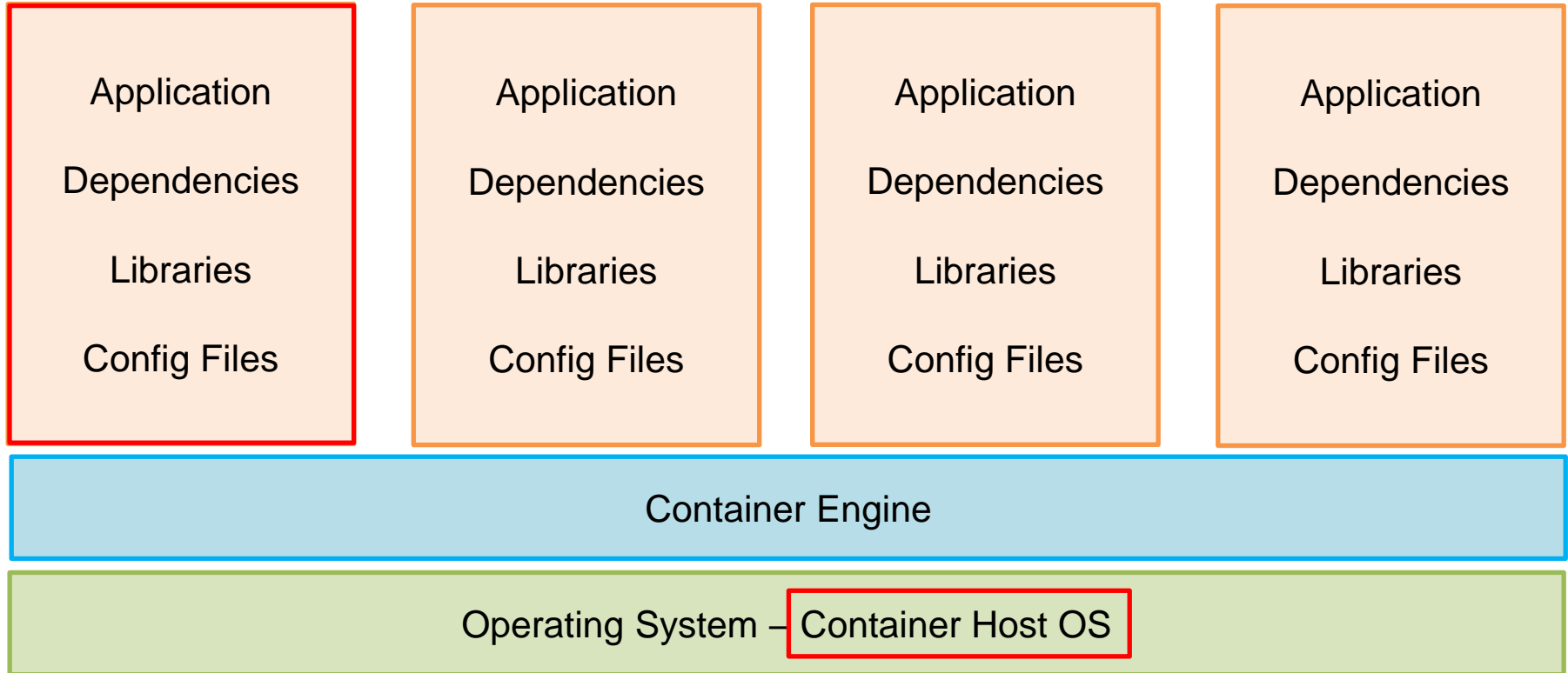
Config Files

Other Applications

So What? VMs Already Do That!



So What? VMs Already Do That! (cont.)



Container Host

- Standard OS must be declared
- Photon has a container runtime baked right in!
- So VMs with the correct O.S. can be our container host

Applications in Containers

Docker

- De Facto Container Solution
- Distributed as proprietary software (Enterprise Edition) and as open-source software (Community Edition)
- Containers need to be launched dynamically and distributed over many container hosts
- This creates the need for orchestration

Kubernetes

- Open-source platform for orchestrating containers
- Popular tool for orchestrating containers and running distributed applications
- Automatic scaling
- Self-heal and health check
- Often abbreviated as K8s
- So...it doesn't really make sense to compare Docker and Kubernetes

Docker and Kubernetes

- Docker allows you to create and deploy containers
- Kubernetes handles orchestration
- Make applications more highly available
- Improves scalability
- Makes containers easier to maintain

Docker Swarm and Kubernetes

- Native clustering solution for Docker
- Nice breakdown here:
bit.ly/3lfKfoi

What is Docker?

- Container Management Software

What is an Image?

- A blueprint for your container
- The instructions for building your container
- Made up of layers
- Base Layer (O.S. such as Debian or Ubuntu)
- Easy install. All dependencies are there.
- Can run on the docker engine regardless of hardware.

What is a Container?

- An Application that has everything it needs to run
- A running instance of a Docker image
- Boots nearly instantly

Example: WordPress site

- Multiple developers can work on the project.
- Different developers may have different environments or dependencies.
- The container has everything you need to run the application.
- I can run many instances of the container without running a complete Operating System each time.



Q & A