

Docker

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Intro

Goals of today's lecture

- You can classify Docker
- You know the basic concepts of Docker
- You can apply those concepts
- You know about Docker-Compose

What are Containers?

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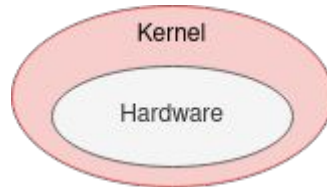
Terminology

- Kernel
- Operating System
- Process

What are Containers?

Kernel

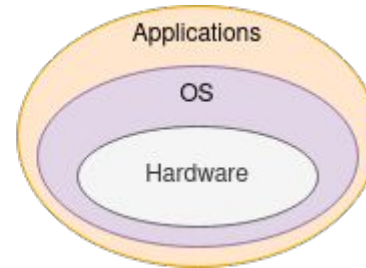
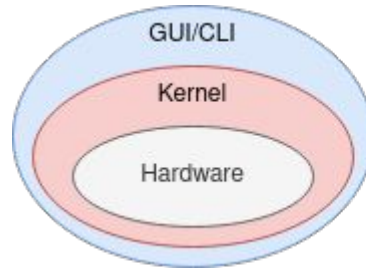
- Abstracts Hardware
- Offers Well-Defined Interface
- Linux Kernel, Unix Kernel, NT Kernel



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Operating System

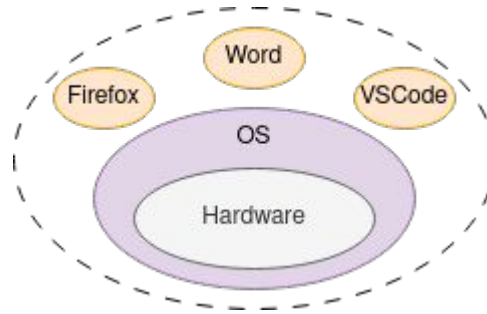
- Extended User Interface (GUI and or CLI)
 - Bash, PowerShell, Tcsh
- Software Services and Utilities
 - Top, Task Manager, Activity Monitor



What are Containers?

Process

- A running program
- Keeps things separate
 - Isolated memory space



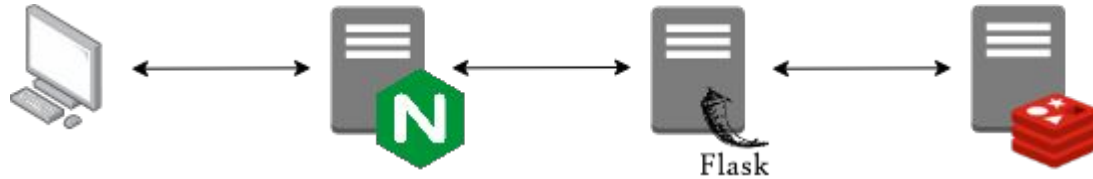
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Processes are managed by an **operating system**, which uses its **kernel** to abstract hardware complexity and efficiently run these processes on the physical **hardware**.

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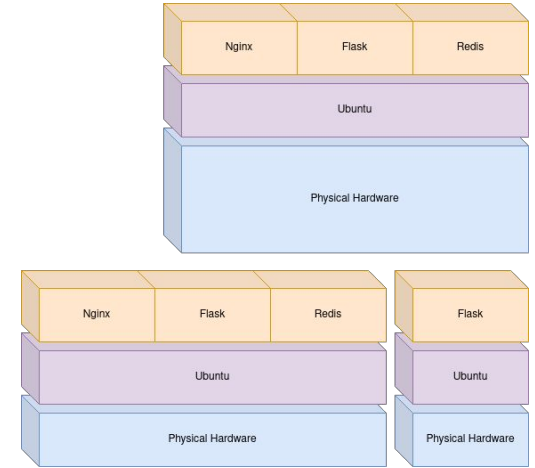
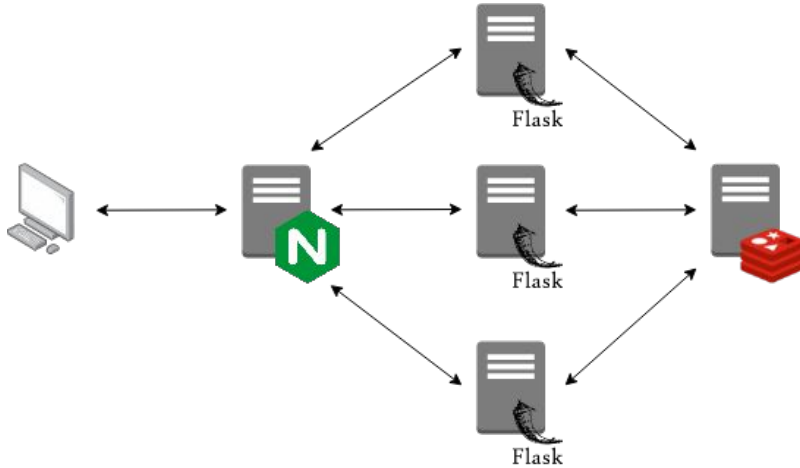
Project Setup

- Simple Web Application Setup
- Nginx as Load Balancer
- Flask to implement Rest Service
- Redis as Persistence Layer



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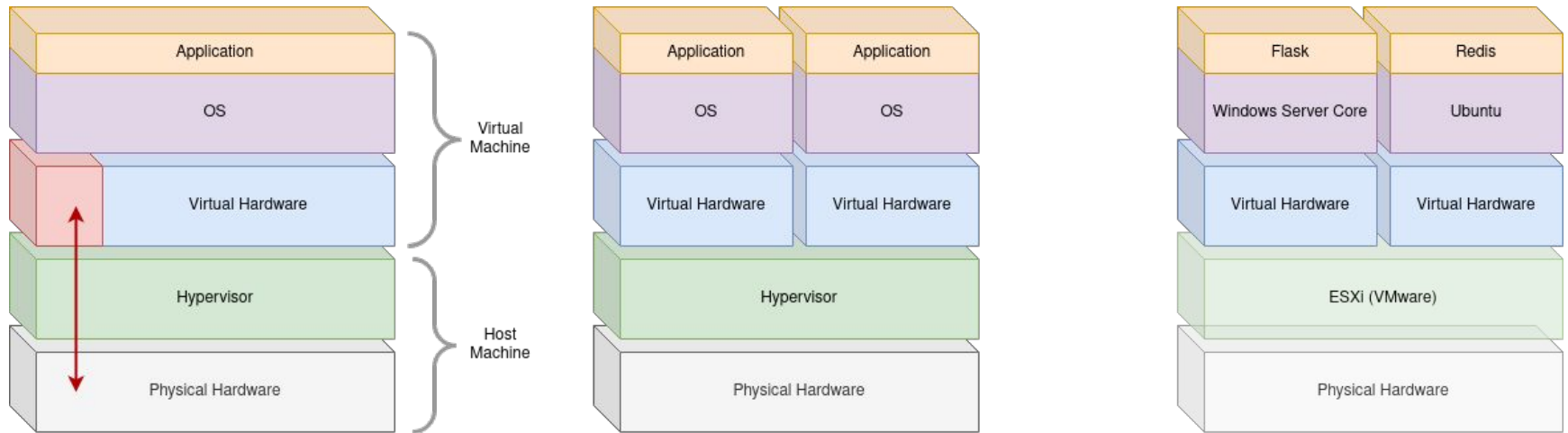
Bare-Metal-Deployment



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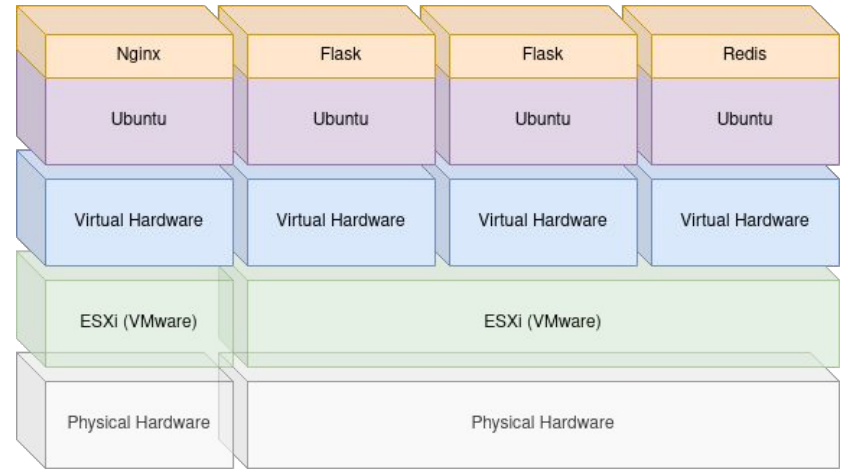
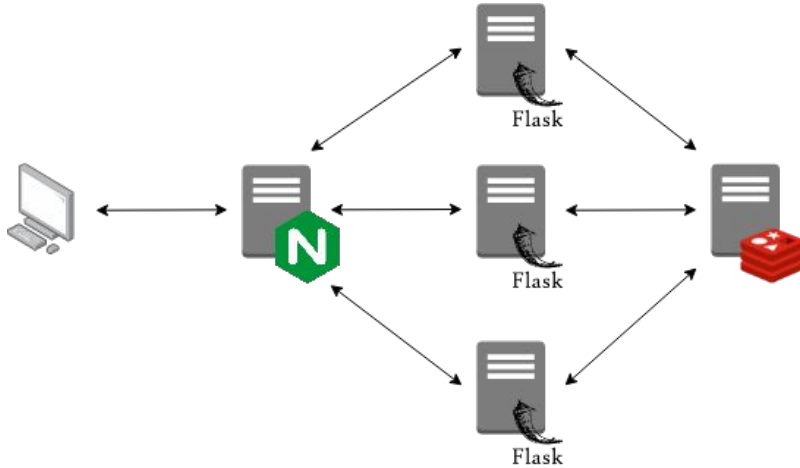
“Traditional” Virtual Machine

- Isolated Instance with its own Hardware and OS



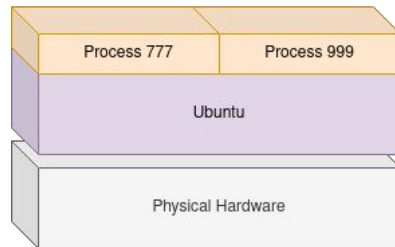
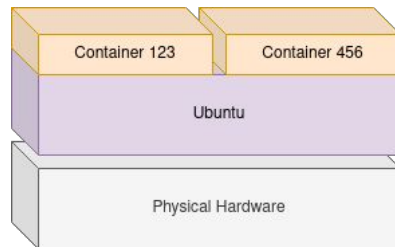
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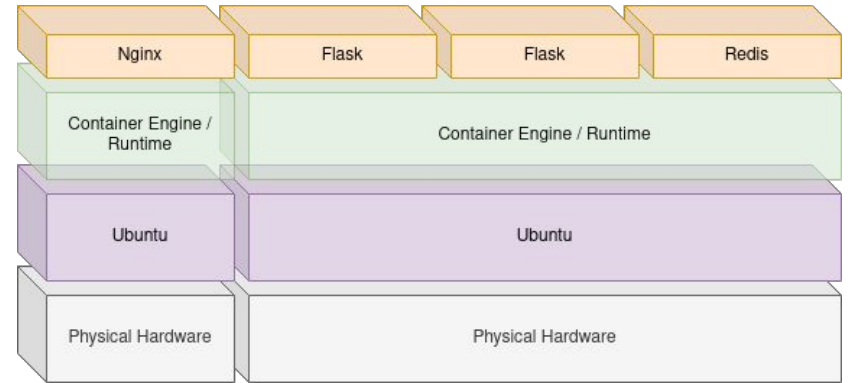
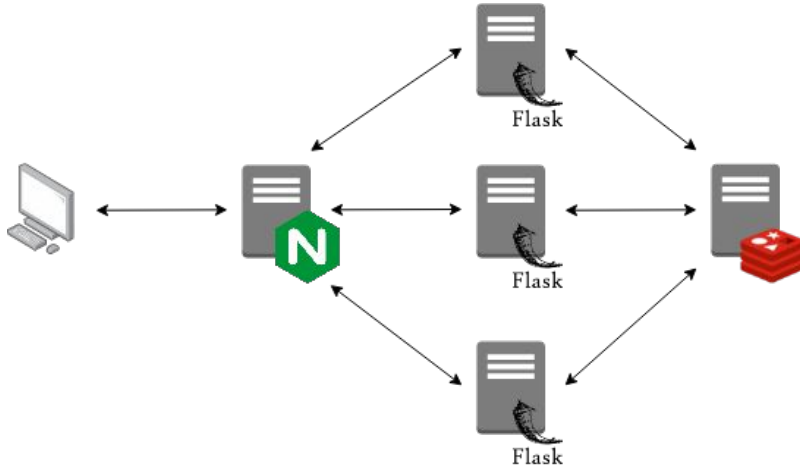
What are Containers?

- Linux Process
 - A running program
 - Isolated memory space and restricted privileges
- Linux Container
 - A process or group of processes
 - Further isolated by private root-fs, process namespace etc.
 - Enabled by kernel features like cgroups or namespaces
 - OS-Level or Kernel-Level virtualization



What are Containers?

Container



What are Containers?

VM vs. Bare Metal Machine

- Improved Resource Economy
- Horizontal vs. Vertical Scalability
 - Memory slots are limited :)
- Virtualization Overhead
 - Loss of performance
 - Lots of duplications

Container vs. VM

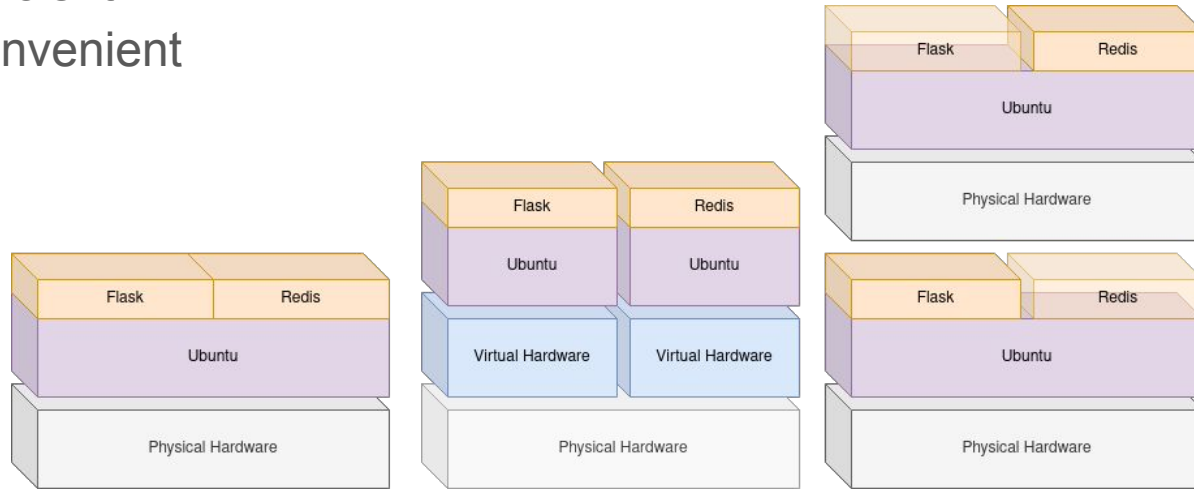
- Less overhead
 - Isolation not by virtualized hardware
- Increased Performance*
 - Direct hardware access
- Smaller Footprint*

*there is a tendency

What are Containers?

Bare Metal vs. Virtual Machine vs. Container

- More flexibility
- More efficient
- More convenient



Break

If there are any questions, feel free to approach me

Docker Intro

- Set of Tools to work with Containers
- Alternatives
 - Podman
 - LXC
- Why Docker?
 - Well established
 - Big Community
- Terminology
 - Container
 - Image
 - Dockerfile
 - Registry

Docker Intro

Container

- Runtime instance of a Docker Image
- Can be compared to an Object



Docker Intro

Image

Docker images are the basis of containers. An Image is an ordered collection of root filesystem changes and the corresponding execution parameters for use within a container runtime. An image typically contains a union of layered filesystems stacked on top of each other. An image **does not have state and it never changes**.

- Blueprint to instantiate Containers from
- Can be compared to a Class



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Dockerfile

[A Dockerfile is a text document that contains all the commands you would normally execute manually in order to build a Docker image.](#)

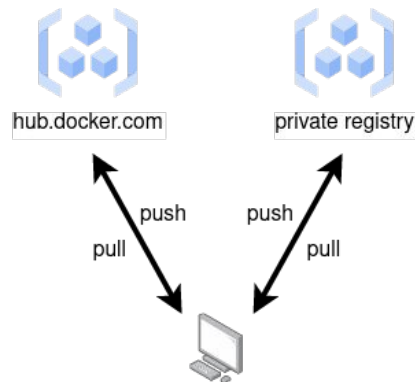
- Instructions for Docker to build Image
- Declares how the Docker Image looks like
- A human readable representation of the Docker Image



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Registry

- Hosts Docker Images
 - Can be searched by *docker search*
- Default is `hub.docker.com`
 - Can be accessed by browser
- Private registry can be setup
 - Available as an Image itself



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Demo

Docker Intro

Process

- Write Dockerfile
- Build Image from it
- Instantiate Image to run Container
- Push Image to Registry if desired



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What not to do

- Treat a Container like a Virtual Machine
- Upgrade Containers
 - internals
 - Upgrade Dockerfile and rebuild Image instead
- Reuse Containers
 - Run a new container instead
 - If a container is gone, let it rest
- Run multiple Services in on Container
 - Run a container for each service instead

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What problem might occur with Docker?

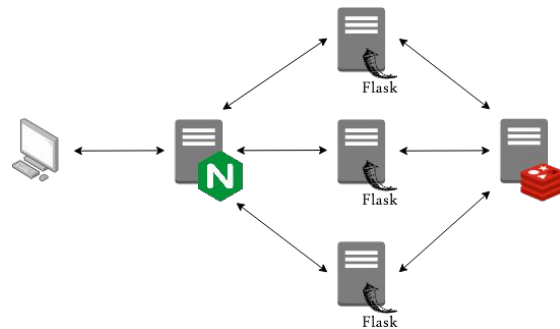
Docker-Compose Intro

*Compose is a tool for defining and running multi-container *Docker* applications.*

- Compose File
 - Instructions for Compose to configure and run individual Services
- Similar command set as Docker
 - Application level:
 - Up, Down, Build, ..
 - Container level:
 - Start, Stop, Run, ..

Docker-Compose Intro

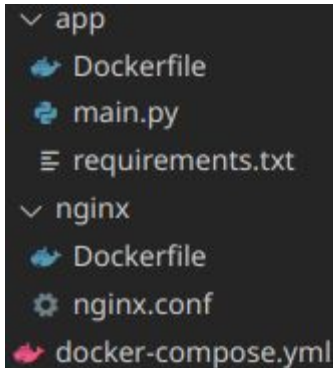
- CLI
 - Instantiate individual Containers with *docker run*
 - Very inconvenient and error prone
- Script
 - Essentially wrap individual commands in a bash script
 - Technically possible
 - Scripting vs. declaring
- Compose File
 - Declare your multi container application









Docker-Compose Intro

```
version: '3.7'

services:
  app:
    # refers the directory to build image from
    build: app
    # container is only started once redis was started
    depends_on:
      - redis
  nginx:
    # explicitly sets a container name instead of deriving it
    container_name: nginx
    # refers the directory to build image from
    build: nginx
    # declares port mapping, equivalent to docker run -p 80:80 ..
    ports:
      - 80:80
    # container is only started once app was started
    depends_on:
      - app
# more services if necessary
```



A file explorer view showing the structure of a Docker Compose project. It displays two main folders: 'app' and 'nginx'. The 'app' folder contains 'Dockerfile', 'main.py', and 'requirements.txt'. The 'nginx' folder contains 'Dockerfile' and 'nginx.conf'. At the bottom, a file named 'docker-compose.yml' is shown with a red icon.

- ✓ app
 -  Dockerfile
 -  main.py
 -  requirements.txt
- ✓ nginx
 -  Dockerfile
 -  nginx.conf
-  docker-compose.yml

Docker-Compose Intro

Demo

Your Task

Dockerize a small web application

The goal is to implement a tiny web service similar to the examples discussed during the lecture. It can be a simple ping or something a bit more sophisticated. The only requirement for the service is that the persistence layer is used. The example discussed during the lecture implemented a simple hit count stored in a redis store.

Other requirements are:

- The rest service and all its dependencies **must** be packed in a Docker Image.
- The redis store **must** be run as a container
- The application **can** be managed with docker-compose
- It is **recommended** to use redis and flask but **not a must**

Deliverables:

- Create one GIT-Repository per group and hand-in at least one solution

Q&A