

SCALER DOCKER MASTERCLASS



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Shipping Software



Problem 1

Software works in one machine, but not in another.

Problem 2

Dependencies don't work well together - version issues.

Problem 3

Moving parts (Ubuntu, PHP, SQL) version issues.

Collaborating With Developers



Problem 1

Sharing complete
working projects with
others is a pain.

Problem 2

Re-install everything
from scratch on new
machines and servers.

Problem 3

OS issues - what works
on Ubuntu doesn't on
Mac or Windows

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Solution

Portability

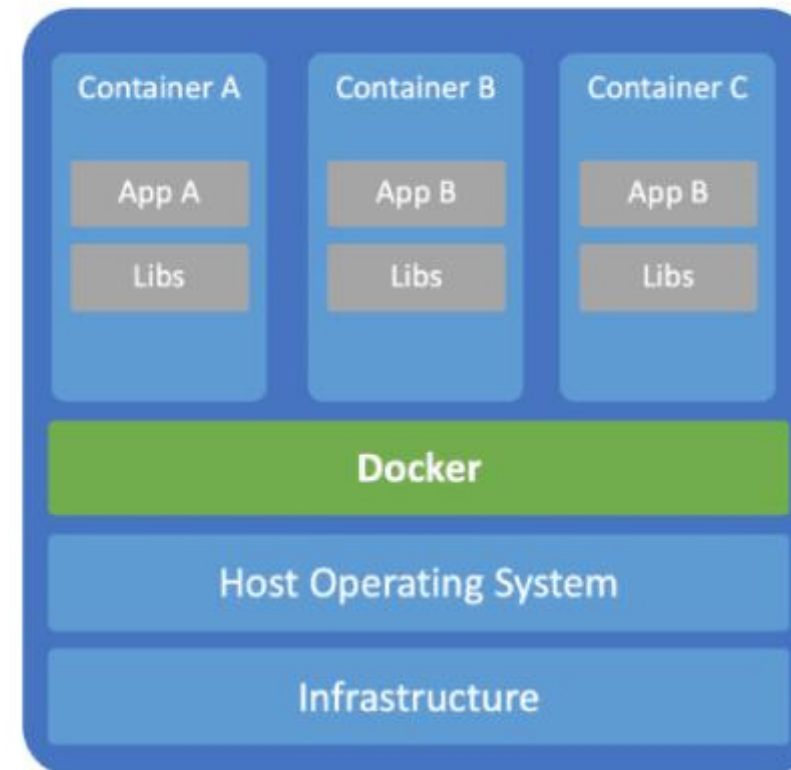
OS Independent

Dependency Packaging

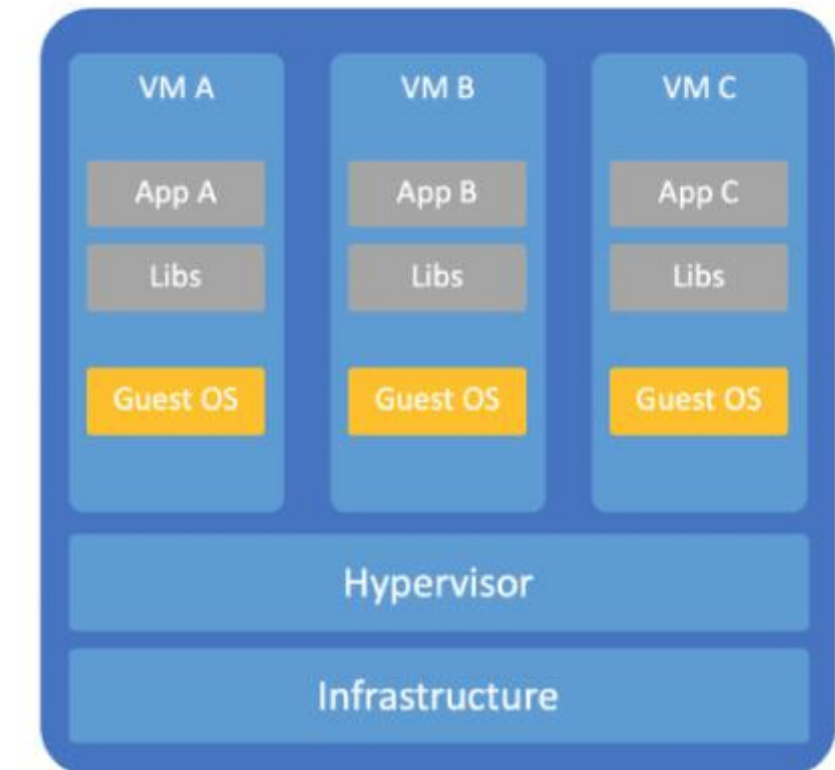
No need to re-install everything, just Docker

Environment Isolation

Container



Virtual Machines



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Important Terms

Images

A template used to "build" a "container". Similar to a snapshot in a VM.

Containers

A run-time instance of a docker image

Docker File

Contains the commands required to assemble an image.
You can build images from this

Docker Hub

Place to host your images and share with the world.

Daemon

docker'd' listens to events and manages images, containers, networks, volumes.

Registry

Stateless, highly scalable server side app that stores and let s you distribute docker images.

Re-use

Base Docker Images

Shared Library

Single place for
multiple images

Docker Features

Dependency Management

Containerize all
dependencies and avoid
version errors.

OS Independence

Can work on windows, mac and linux
(but under the surface, mac uses
linux hypervisor and windows uses
linux subsystem)

Versioning

Track versions, roll
back to previous
versions, easy.

Scalable

Can start off multiple
containers to scale a
service

Flexible

Can add or remove
containers with ease,
even if containers fail

Secure

Not VM level security,
but basic security is
present.

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But really, Why Docker??

Cost Effective = save money

Granular Updates = save time

Speed of Deployment = save more time + happy clients

Smaller Devops Staff = save more money

Global Repo

Get access to container images from developers across the world

Pull

Directly pull from docker hub, images are scanned and secure

Private Repo

Share private repos with your team (has authorization) for use on projects

Docker official images

Based by docker, not from 3rd party developers

Docker Hub

Docker hub website

Builds and Webhooks

github, gitlab integrations and triggers events after successful push to docker hub



Comparison



VMs

Takes minutes

Separate instances required
for deployment

Entire OS needs to be loaded
before starting, so less efficient.

Own kernel, so higher security
privileges

Docker

Takes seconds

Easy deployment, requires a
single image

Requires less memory

Containers share the host
kernel, can be compromised.



Docker Lingo



Prune

Deletes all stopped containers, all unused and dangling images

Unused

Images that haven't been assigned or used in a container

Dangling

A new build of the image was created, old image now useless.

Sandbox

Apps are isolated with container sandboxes. Ideal for workloads that require application-level security and isolation.

Client

Client is an app responsible for sending the commands, daemon picks them up

Pull and Push

Downloading images and uploading new images

Volumes

Preferred mechanism for persisting data generated by Docker Containers.

Different from bind mounts, these are completely managed by docker.

Networks

Link multiple docker containers together

A single container can be a part of multiple networks

"Bridges" are private default networks created

Services

Run multiple containers, volumes and networks together at the same time.

Clubbing these is called a "service"

Compose and Swarm

Docker compose enables you to start and stop services

While docker compose does it on a single host, swarm is used for orchestration across multiple hosts.