

Deep dive into

"Docker 101"

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Docker

- Solomon Hykes who invented the Docker.
- Open source project started by eponymous company
- Started initially as dotcloud

Docker Container

- A set of platform as a service
- Use OS-level virtualization
- Isolated from one another
- Bundle their own software, libraries and configuration files
- Communicate with each other through well-defined channels.

Features

Simplicity and Faster Configurations

Lightweight compare to virtualization

Run within host machine's kernel.

Run an application in a loosely isolated environment

Rapid Deployment

Alternatives for Hypervisor-based virtual machines

Docker Architecture

Based on client-server architecture.

Docker Client as a Client

Communicate with more than one daemon

Docker Daemon as a Server

Communicate with other daemons

Docker objects

Images

- Read-only template with instructions for creating a Docker container.
 - e.g. Ubuntu with React js application and Nginx.

docker pull ubuntu:latest

Docker objects

Containers

Runnable instance of an image.

docker run -i -t ubuntu /bin/bash

Services

- Scale containers across multiple Docker daemons.
- Work together as a swarm with managers and workers.

docker pull ubuntu:latest

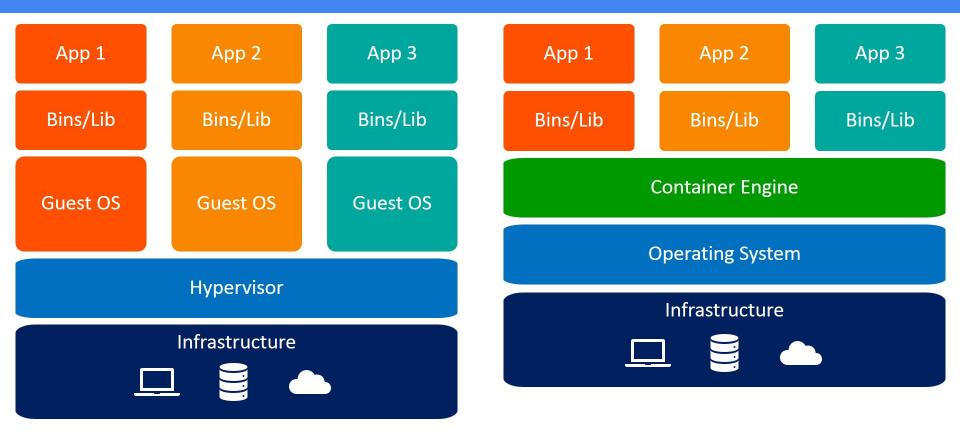
Docker registries

Location to stores docker images publicly and privately.

Stores Docker images in **Docker hub**.

Underlying technology

- Namespaces : pid, net, ipc, mnt & uts.
- Control groups: enforce limits on available hardware resources.
- Union file systems: make them very lightweight & fast.
- Container format: Current format is libcontainer.



Virtual Machines

Containers

Virtualization

Docker

- 1. Heavyweight VMs are of few GBs
- 2. Hardware level process isolation
- 3. Each VM has a separate OS
- 4. Boots in minutes
- 5. Ready-made VMs are difficult to find
- 6. VMs can move to new host easily
- 7. Creating VM takes a relatively longer time
- 8. More resource usage
- 9. Fully isolated and hence more secure

- 1. Containers are lightweight (KBs/MBs)
- 2. OS level process isolation
- 3. Each container can share OS
- 4. Boots in seconds
- 5. Pre-built docker containers are easily available
- 6. Containers are destroyed and replicated rather than moving
- 7. Containers can be created in seconds
- 8. Less resource usage
- 9. Process-level isolation, possibly less secure

Let's try some docker image to build and run.

Pros and Cons

- Fast and use low resources
- Easy to deploy and extreme application portability
- Eliminating the "Works on My Machine" situation
- Compatible for DevOps and CI/CD

- Isolation
- Security
- Networking
- Slower than hypervisor

Alternatives

Virtualbox

LXC Linux Container

Wox

Rancher

Apache Mesos

Kubernetes

Questions?

Thank you!