Containers for Dummies



A COMPUTER



- Hardware
- Kernel ("kernel space")
- Software ("user space")

EMULATORS



- ► Translate machine code
- Run software for x86 on ARM
- ▶ "Slow"
- QEMU

VIRTUAL MACHINES



- Abstract hardware
- Can be transferred between physical computers
- Requires dedicated hardware
- "Long-term"
- QEMU
- VirtualBox (x86 only)
- May run at almost the same speed as the host



Demo: QEMU and virtual machines

CONTAINERS



- Namespace isolation
- Tree / branches are namespaces
- Sharing hardware with all other containers and the host
- Images "templates"
- "Short-term"

CONTAINERS

SOFTWARE



- Open Container Initiative (OCI)
- Repositories
 - Dockerhub
 - Github Container Repository

- Docker
- Podman
- Containerd
- Singularity
- LXC



Demo

Docker Desktop/Rancher Desktop
Using a container
Dockerfile
Docker-compose

KUBERNETES



- Container orchestration
- Originates from Google



Demo: DC-Kube