

Docker Workshop

From Basics to Docker Compose

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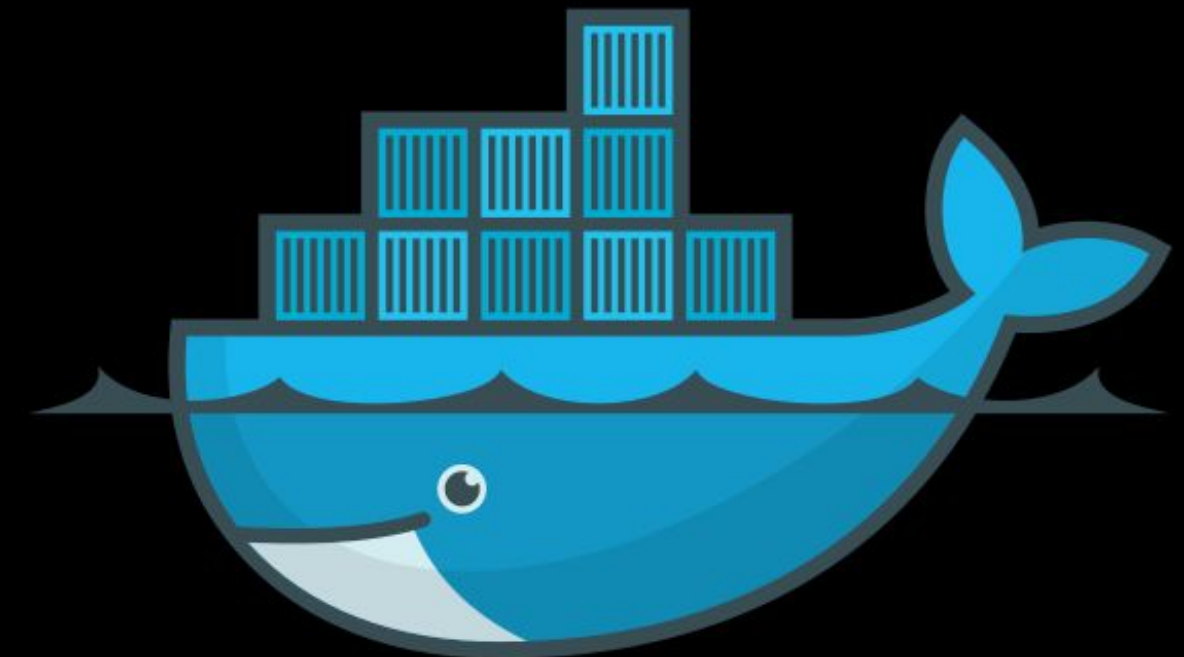
<https://github.com/thealcodingclub/containerization101>

What is Docker?

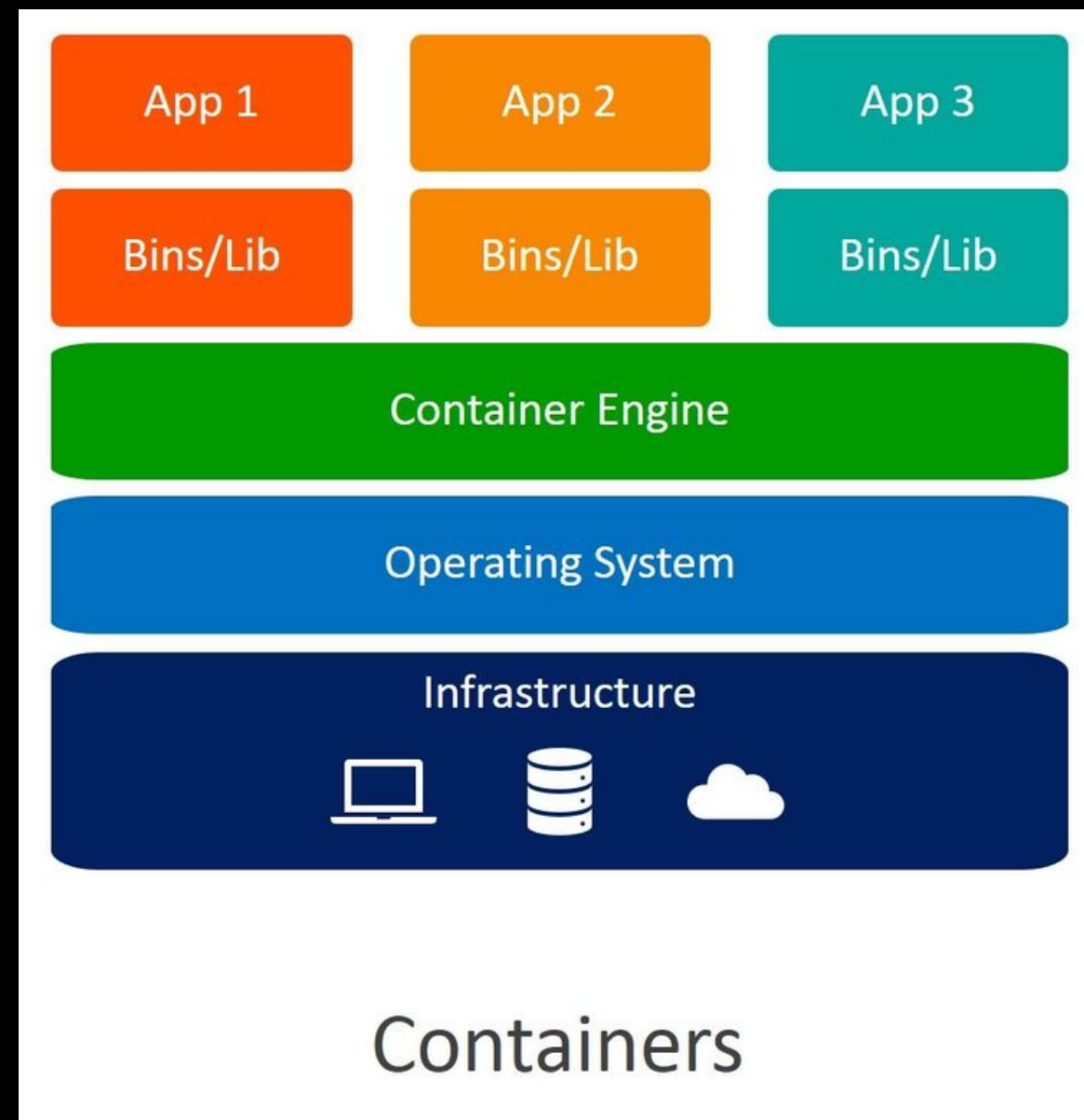
- A platform for developing, shipping, and running applications consistently
- Enables packaging applications with all dependencies
- Solves "it works on my machine" problem
- Platform independent deployment

Key benefits:

- Consistency across environments
- Improved collaboration
- Rapid deployment
- Resource efficiency

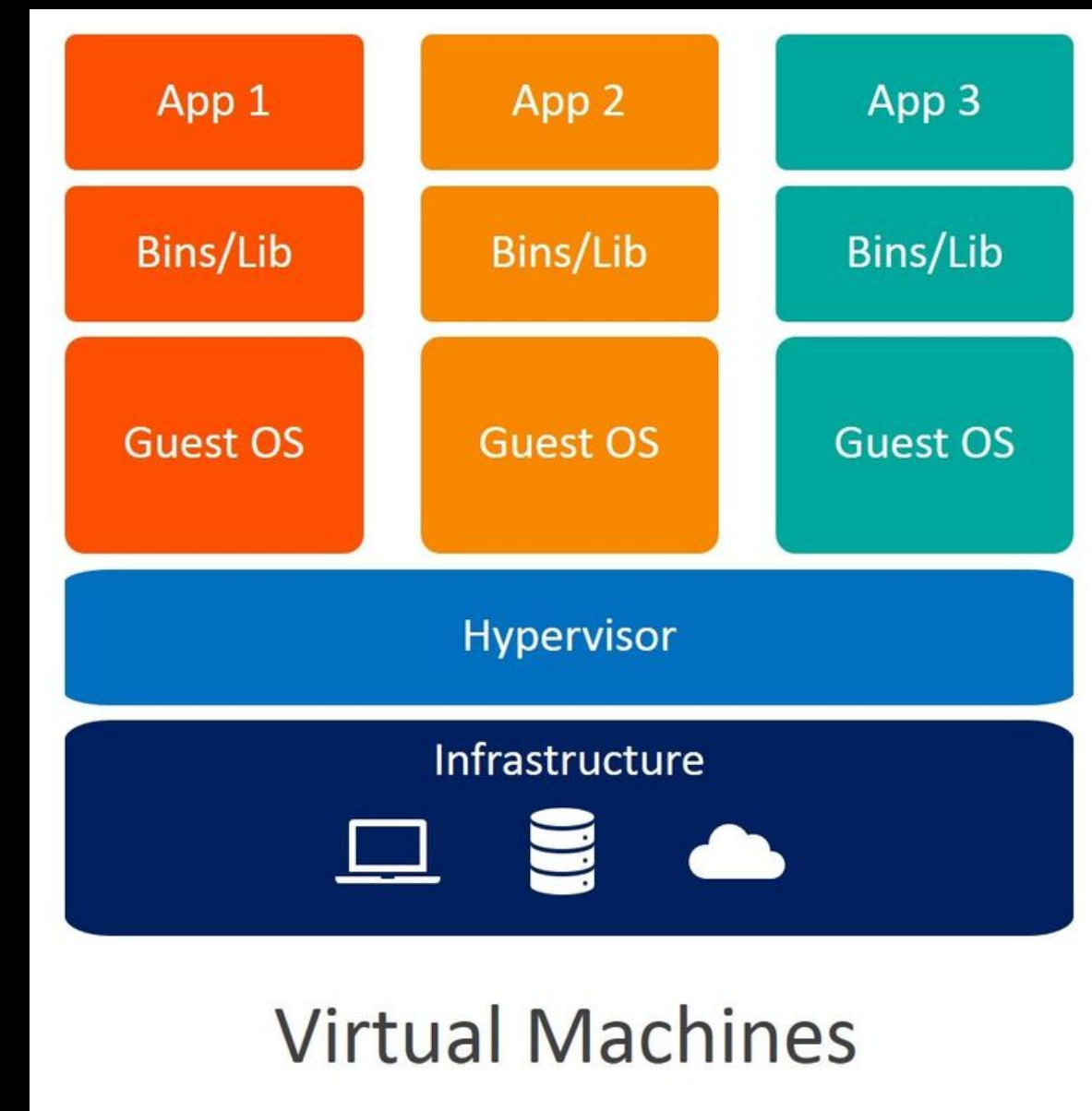


Containerization

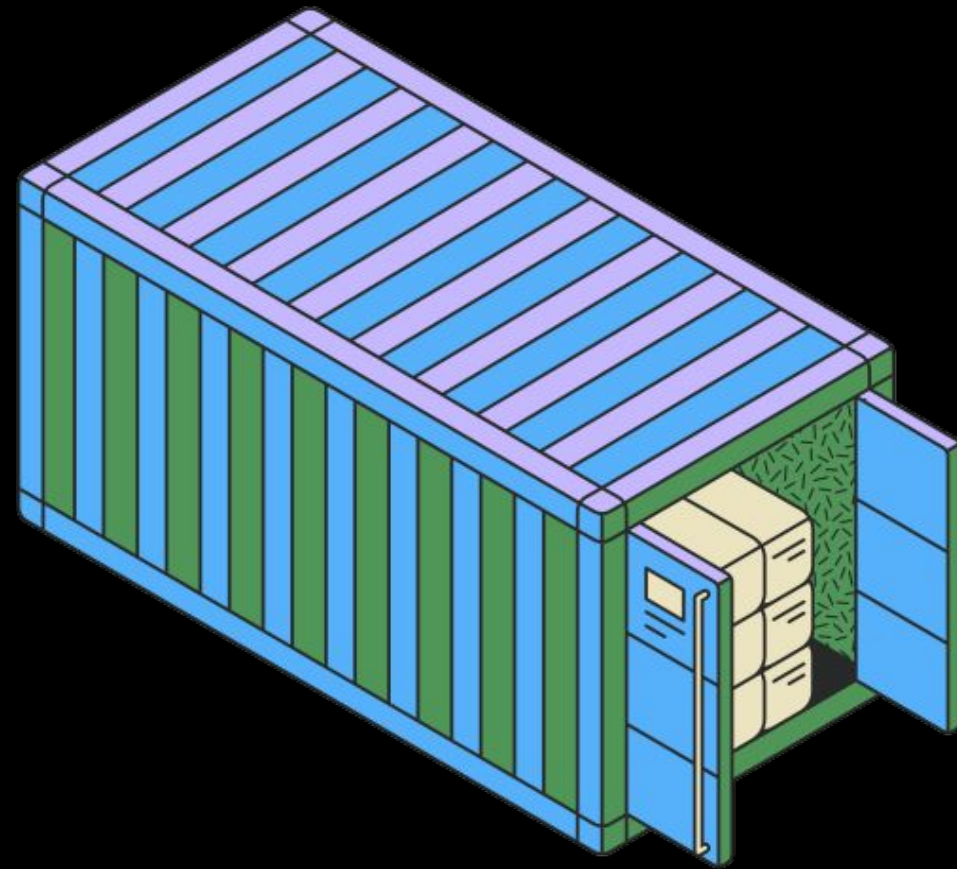


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Containerization



- Containers:
 - Share host OS kernel
 - Lightweight (MBs)
 - Seconds to start
 - Less resource intensive
 - Perfect for microservices

Virtualization

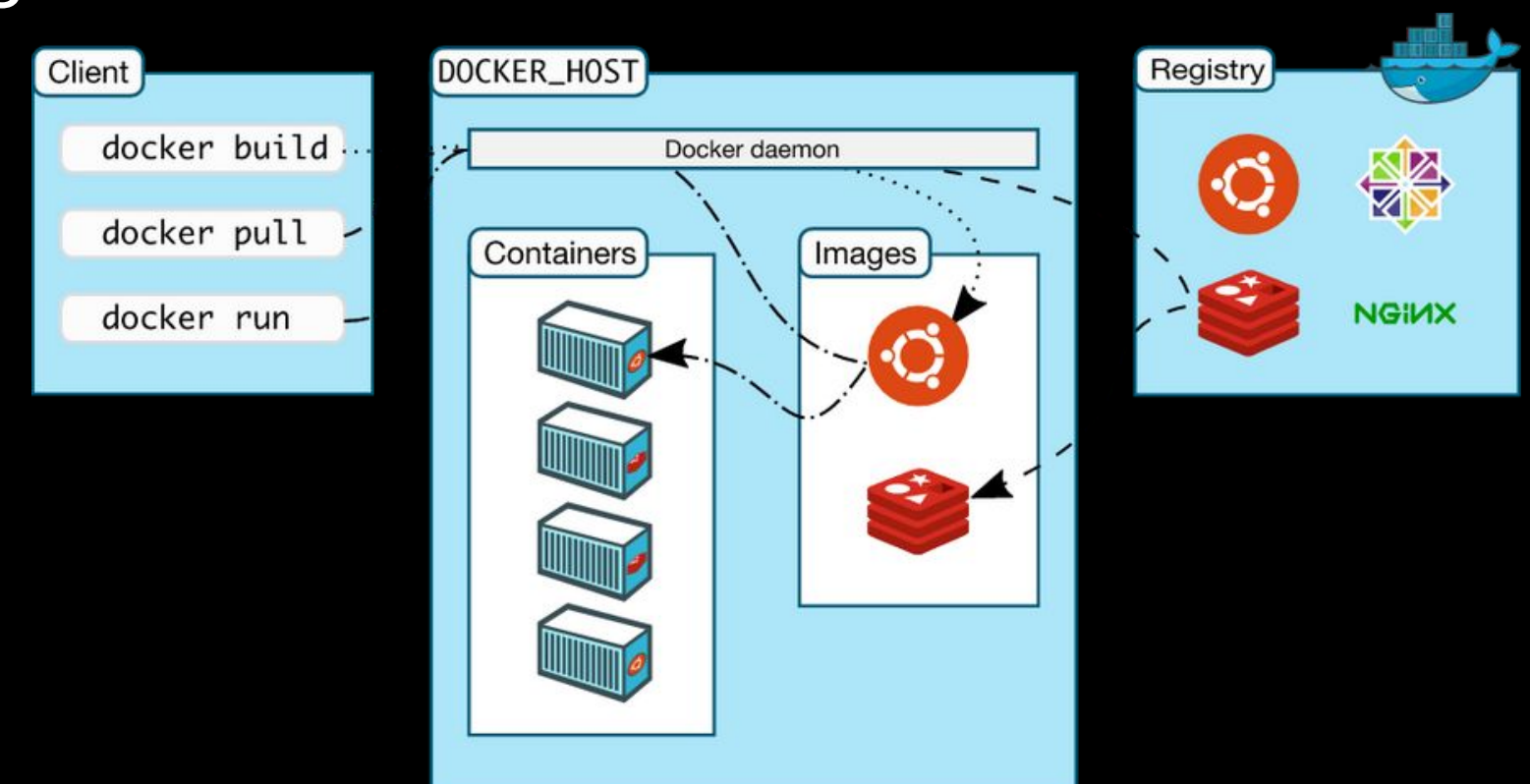
- Virtual Machines:
 - Complete OS copy
 - Heavy (GBs)
 - Minutes to start
 - More resource intensive
 - Better isolation



Docker Architecture

- Client-Server Architecture:
 - a. Docker Client: Command line interface
 - b. Docker Daemon: Builds, runs, and manages containers
 - c. Docker Registry: Stores Docker images
 - d. Docker Objects: Images and containers

- Communication flow:
 - Client → REST API → Daemon
 - Daemon ↔ Registry



Docker Installation

(via CLI)

Windows

```
# Download Docker Desktop from docker.com
# Run installer
# Enable WSL 2
# Start Docker Desktop
```

Linux

```
sudo apt-get update
sudo apt-get install docker-ce
sudo systemctl start docker
sudo usermod -aG docker $USER
```

Verification

```
docker --version
docker run hello-world
```

First Container Demo



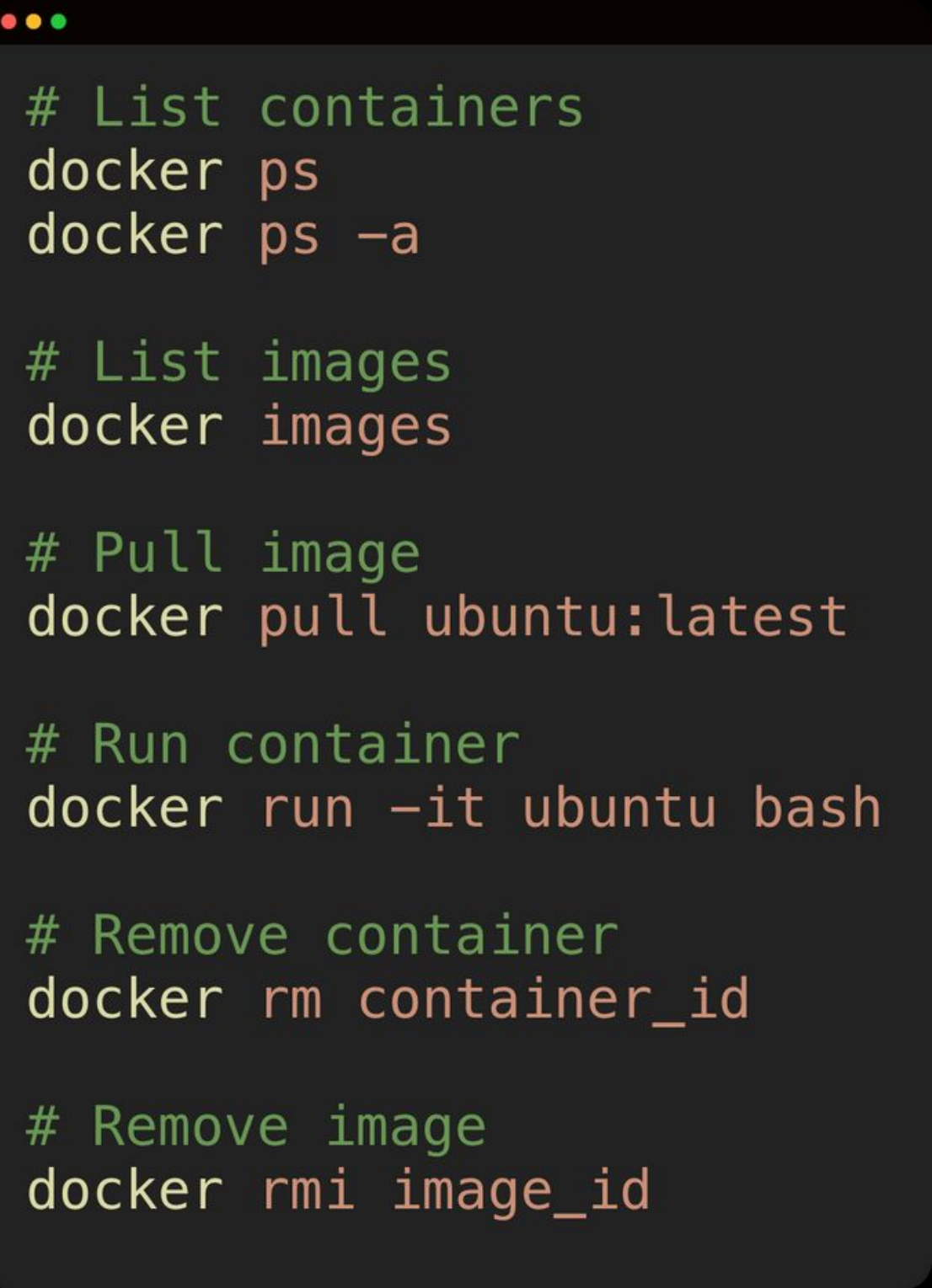
```
# Pull and run hello-world
docker run hello-world

# Run nginx server
docker run -d -p 80:80 nginx

# Access localhost in browser
```

1. Checks for local image
2. Pulls from Docker Hub
3. Creates container
4. Runs container

Basic



```
# List containers
docker ps
docker ps -a

# List images
docker images

# Pull image
docker pull ubuntu:latest

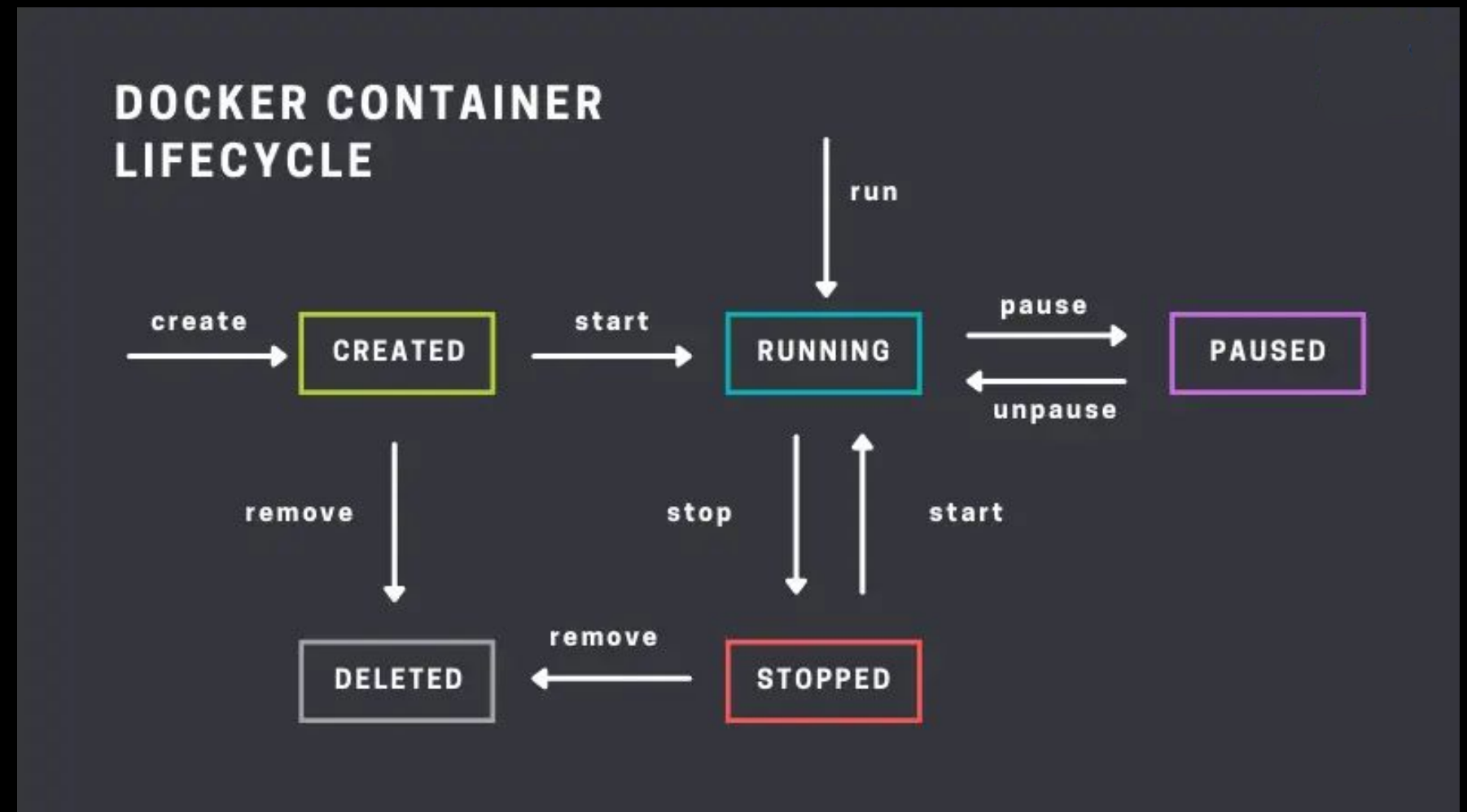
# Run container
docker run -it ubuntu bash

# Remove container
docker rm container_id

# Remove image
docker rmi image_id
```

Container Lifecycle

1. Created: docker **create**
2. Running: docker **start/run**
3. Paused: docker **pause/unpause**
4. Stopped: docker **stop**
5. Deleted: docker **rm**



Container Management



```
# Port mapping  
docker run -p 8080:80 nginx
```

```
# Volume mounting  
docker run -v $(pwd):/app node
```

```
# Environment variables  
docker run -e DB_HOST=localhost mysql
```

```
# Resource limits  
docker run --memory="512m" --cpus="1.0" nginx
```


```
# Container naming  
docker run --name myapp nginx
```

```
# Network configuration  
docker network create mynetwork  
docker run --network mynetwork nginx
```

Docker Desktop

Docker Hub

Dockerfile Basics



```
# Base image
FROM node:14-alpine

# Set working directory
WORKDIR /app

# Copy package files
COPY package*.json ./

# Install dependencies
RUN npm install

# Copy application code
COPY . .

# Expose port
EXPOSE 3000

# Start command
CMD ["npm", "start"]
```


Dockerfile Basics

Best Practices:

- ✓ Use specific base image tags
- ✓ Minimize layers
- ✓ Use .dockerignore
- ✓ Security considerations

Building Images



```
# Build image
docker build -t myapp:1.0 .

# Tag image
docker tag myapp:1.0 username/myapp:1.0

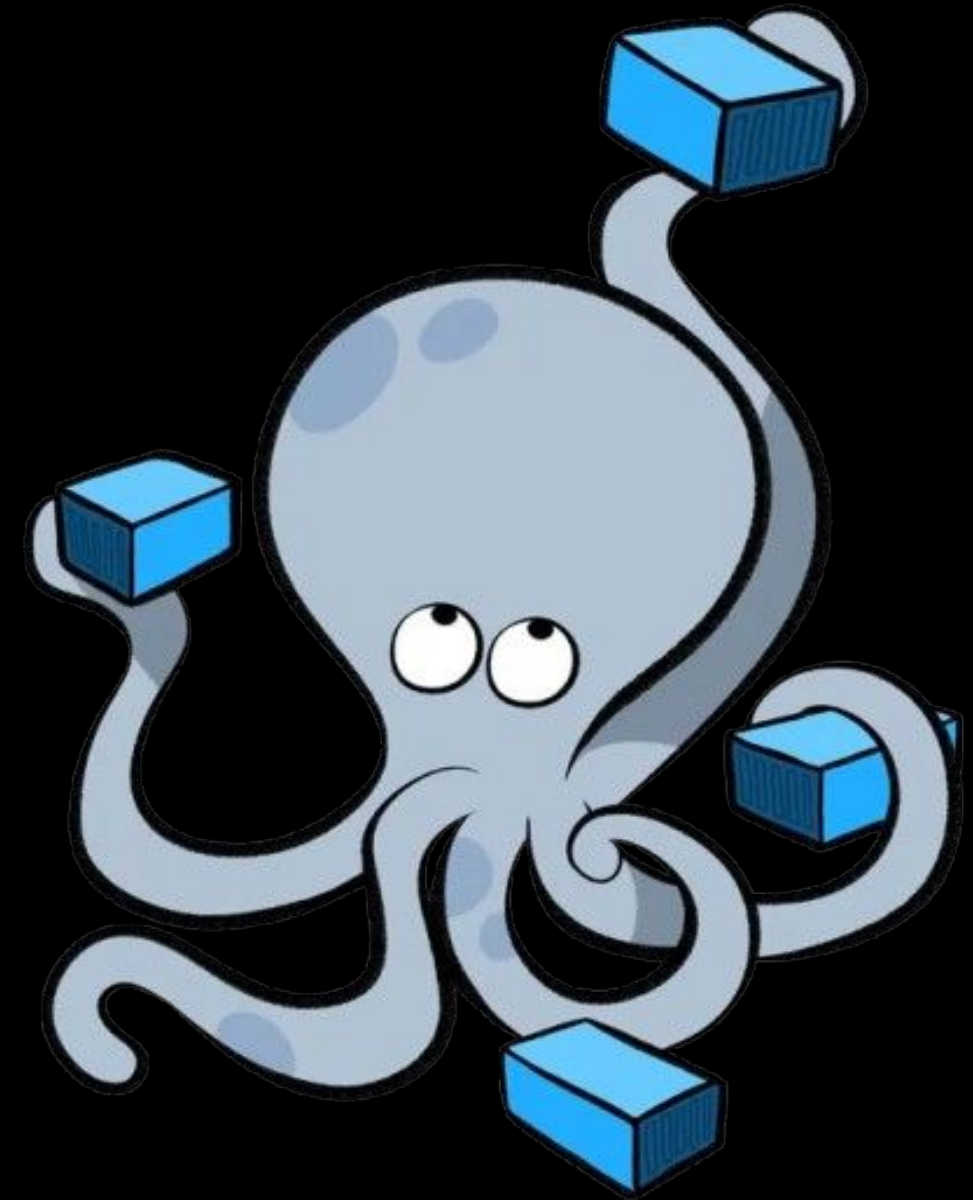
# Push to registry
docker push username/myapp:1.0

# Build with different Dockerfile
docker build -f Dockerfile.prod -t myapp:prod .
```

Docker Compose

Purpose:

- Define multi-container applications
- Single source of truth for app configuration
- Simplified deployment




Docker Compose

Example docker-compose.yml

```
version: '3.8'
services:
  web:
    build: .
    ports:
      - "3000:3000"
    environment:
      - DB_HOST=db
    depends_on:
      - db
  db:
    image: mongo:latest
    volumes:
      - db-data:/data/db
volumes:
  db-data:
```

Docker Compose Commands



```
# Start services
docker-compose up -d

# Stop services
docker-compose down

# View status
docker-compose ps

# View logs
docker-compose logs -f

# Scale service
docker-compose up -d --scale web=3

# Rebuild services
docker-compose build
```

Exercise one

“Hello World” web application

1. Create project structure

```
mkdir docker-exercise  
cd docker-exercise
```

2. Create app.js

```
const express = require('express');
const app = express();
const port = 3000;

app.get('/', (req, res) => {
  res.send('Hello from Docker!');
});

app.listen(port, () => {
  console.log(`App running on http://localhost:${port}`);
});
```

3. Create package.json

```
{  
  "name": "docker-exercise",  
  "version": "1.0.0",  
  "main": "app.js",  
  
  "dependencies": {  
    "express": "^4.17.1"  
  },  
  
  "scripts": {  
    "start": "node app.js"  
  }  
}
```

4. Create Dockerfile

```
FROM node:14-alpine
WORKDIR /app
COPY package*.json ./
RUN npm install
COPY . .
EXPOSE 3000
CMD ["npm", "start"]
```

5. Create Dockerfile

```
docker build -t hello-docker .  
docker run -p 3000:3000 hello-docker
```

6. Test: Visit <http://localhost:3000>

Exercise two

Multi-container application

Objective: Create a Node.js application with Redis counter using
Docker Compose

1. Update app.js

```
const express = require('express');
const Redis = require('redis');
const app = express();
const port = 3000;

const redis = Redis.createClient({
  host: 'redis', // service name from docker-compose
  port: 6379
});
```

2. Update package.json

```
{  
  "dependencies": {  
    "express": "^4.17.1",  
    "redis": "^3.1.2"  
  }  
}
```

3. Create docker-compose.yml

```
version: '3.8'

services:
  web:
    build: .
    ports:
      - "3000:3000"
    depends_on:
      - redis
  redis:
    image: redis:alpine
```

4. Build and run

```
docker-compose up --build
```

5. Build and run

- Visit <http://localhost:3000> multiple times to see counter increase
- Try stopping and starting the containers to see data persistence