

# Cloud Computing, Part 1

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# What is cloud computing?

The cloud

- ▶ A metaphor for the Internet. Something that is remote.

Cloud computing

- ▶ The delivery of online computing services
- ▶ Most often, these include servers, storage, databases software and analytics
- ▶ Management is done by third-party
- ▶ Services are often at an enterprise-level

Benefits

- ▶ Lower costs
- ▶ Accessibility
- ▶ Productivity
- ▶ Scalability
- ▶ Updates

# Cloud computing: Background

## Origin

- ▶ Around 1970, the concept of virtual machine's (VMs) was invented
- ▶ In 1999, Salesforce.com delivered applications to users using a simple website
- ▶ In 2002, Amazon provided the first cloud service
- ▶ In 2009, Google Apps saw the light of day
- ▶ In 2009, Microsoft launched Azure

## Most known providers

- ▶ Google Cloud (Search, Gmail)
- ▶ Amazon's AWS (Online marketplace)
- ▶ Microsoft Azure (OneDrive)

## Deployment models

- ▶ Private cloud
- ▶ Public cloud (e.g. Amazon AWS, Google Cloud)

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# Monolithic vs. microservices

## Monolithic

- ▶ Everything in one place
- ▶ Tightly coupled, runs as a single service
- ▶ Developed and scaled as one
- ▶ Hard to maintain

## SoA-architecture

- ▶ Service-oriented architecture (SOA)
- ▶ Splits software application in smaller units
- ▶ Units communicate over network, but functions separately

## What microservices are

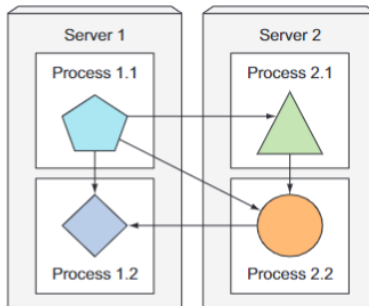
- ▶ Modern version of the SoA-style
- ▶ Small, independent services that do one thing
- ▶ Highly maintainable, testable, loosely coupled
- ▶ "Instead of having one machine build a whole car, get multiple factories to work at the same time."

# Monolithic vs. microservices

Monolithic application



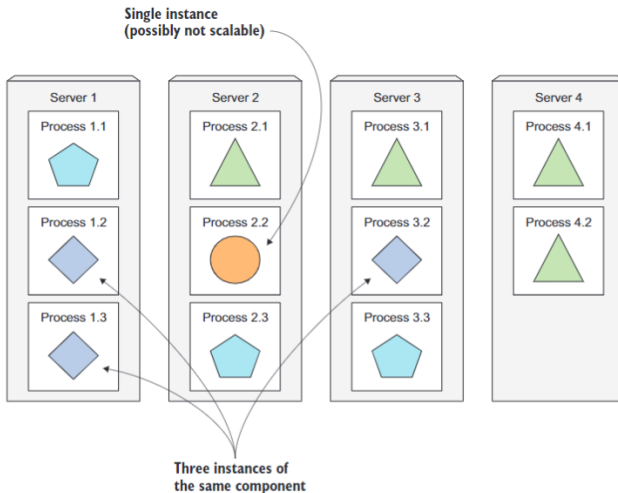
Microservices-based application



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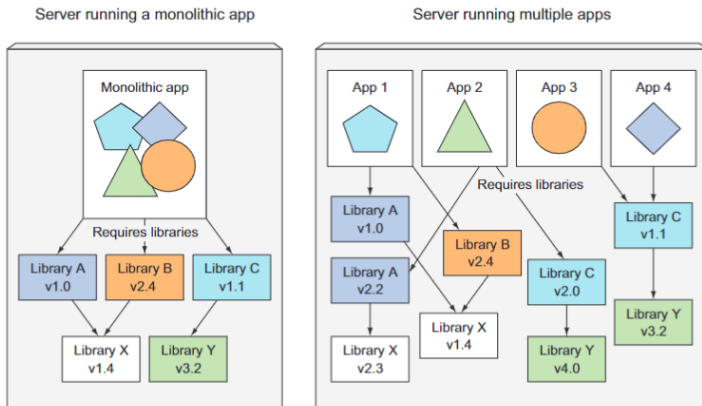


# Monolithic vs. microservices



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# Containers

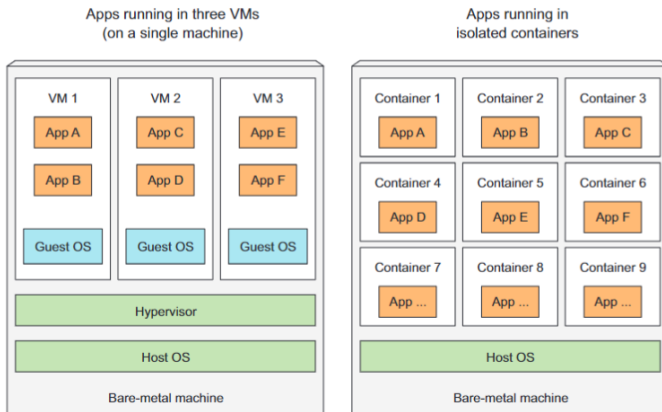
## Motivation

- ▶ We can't give every software component its own VM
- ▶ VM's are manual. We need automation
- ▶ Changes once place should not impact others

## What containers are

- ▶ Containers are isolated software environments
- ▶ Application and dependencies bundled inside
- ▶ A lightweight version of VM's

# A normal VM vs. containers



**Figure:** Fig. by courtesy of Marko Luksa[1]

# Docker

## Motivation

- ▶ We need suitable tooling to create containers
- ▶ It should be automated, predictable and fast
- ▶ It should run everywhere, be modular and scale well

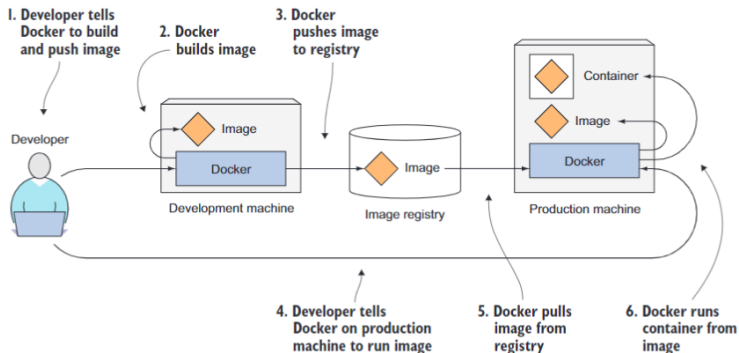
## What Docker is

- ▶ Docker is a container tool that can run and create containers
- ▶ Containers only see their exact file system
- ▶ Similar to VM's, but less overhead
- ▶ Consists of reusable layers
- ▶ Uses a Dockerfile

## Important concepts

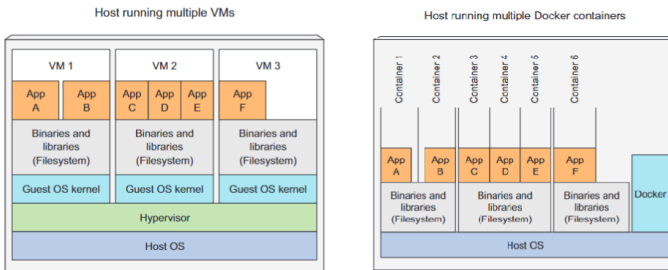
- ▶ Images. Something you package your application into
- ▶ Registries. A repository to store your image
- ▶ Containers. Like normal Linux container

# The Docker build process



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# Running apps in VM's vs. containers



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# Kubernetes

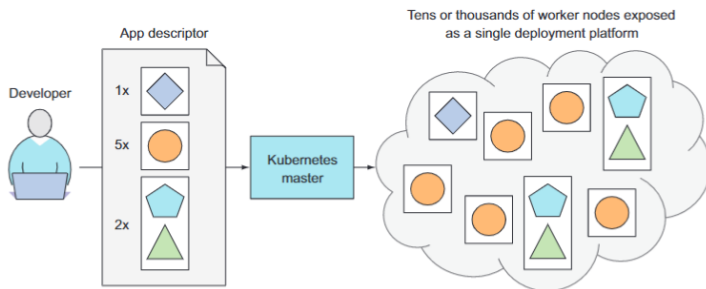
## Motivation

- ▶ We need something to manage our containers
- ▶ Should be reliable, automated and scalable
- ▶ Should ease the process of deploying containers

## What Kubernetes is

- ▶ Open-source container orchestration engine
- ▶ Made by Google, open-sourced in 2014
- ▶ Google needed to better utilize their resources
- ▶ Enables easy deployment, scaling and managing
- ▶ Exposes whole datacenter as a single platform.

# The Kubernetes system



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# Kubernetes cont.

## Main features of Kubernetes

- ▶ Keep containers running.
- ▶ Scaling copies.
- ▶ Hitting a moving target.

## Benefits of using Kubernetes

- ▶ Simplifying application deployment
- ▶ Achieve better utilization
- ▶ Health checking and self-healing
- ▶ Automatic scaling
- ▶ Access to services via API/DNS

## Enterprise-use

- ▶ Often seen as a PaaS (OpenShift)

## Kubernetes cont.

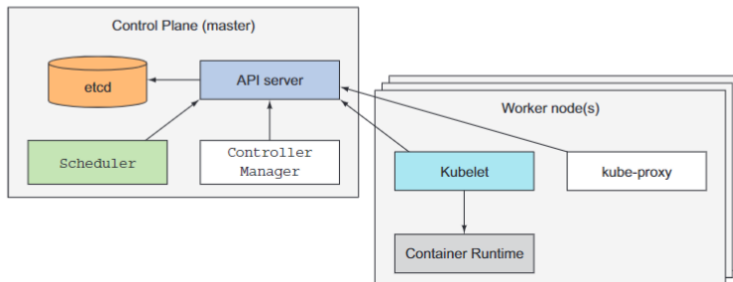
The master node hosts the Control Plane and worker nodes run deployments. The master contains

- ▶ API Server, which you and the Control Plane components communicate with
- ▶ The Scheduler, which schedules your apps
- ▶ The Controller Manager, keeps track of workers among others
- ▶ etcd, a distributed db that stores cluster configuration

The nodes contain

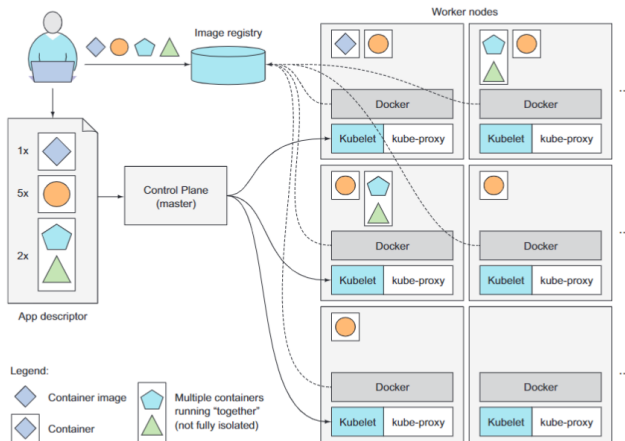
- ▶ Docker, rtk or another container runtime
- ▶ Kubelet, which talks to the API server and manages containers
- ▶ Kube-proxy, which load-balances network traffic

# The components in Kubernetes



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# An overview of Kubernetes's architecture



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# Running the busybox image

Installing Docker and running a Hello World container

- Busybox is a single executable with many UNIX tools.

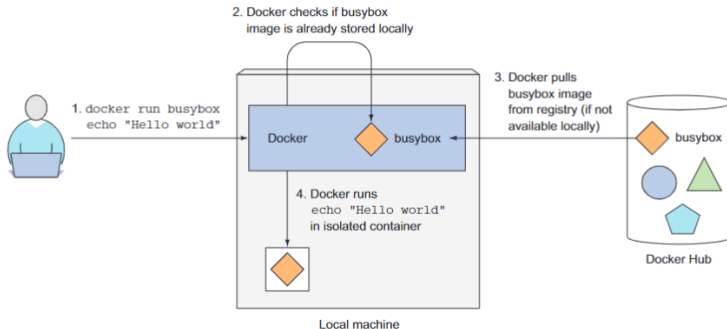
## Listing 2.1 Running a Hello world container with Docker

```
$ docker run busybox echo "Hello world"
Unable to find image 'busybox:latest' locally
latest: Pulling from docker.io/busybox
9a163e0b8d13: Pull complete
fef924a0204a: Pull complete
Digest: sha256:97473e34e311e6c1b3f61f2a721d038d1e5eef17d98d1353a513007cf46ca6bd
Status: Downloaded newer image for docker.io/busybox:latest
Hello world
```

**Figure:** Listing. by courtesy of Marko Luksa[1]

```
$ docker run busybox echo "Hello world"
$ docker run <image>
$ docker run <image>:<tag>
```

# Running echo "Hello world" in a container



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# Creating a Node.js app

- ▶ We make a simple HTTP app that can receive and reply to requests with its hostname
- ▶ Using Node.js and JavaScript

## Listing 2.2 A simple Node.js app: app.js

```
const http = require('http');
const os = require('os');

console.log("Kubia server starting...");

var handler = function(request, response) {
  console.log("Received request from " + request.connection.remoteAddress);
  response.writeHead(200);
  response.end("You've hit " + os.hostname() + "\n");
};

var www = http.createServer(handler);
www.listen(8080);
```

**Figure:** Listing. by courtesy of Marko Luksa[1]

# Creating a Dockerfile for the image

- ▶ We need a Dockerfile to create an image
- ▶ It describes the app and its dependencies

## Listing 2.3 A Dockerfile for building a container image for your app

```
FROM node:7
ADD app.js /app.js
ENTRYPOINT ["node", "app.js"]
```

**Figure:** Listing. by courtesy of Marko Luksa[1]

# Building the container image

The Docker daemon builds the image.

```
$ docker build -t kubia .
```

## Listing 2.4 Listing locally stored images

```
$ docker images
```

REPOSITORY	TAG	IMAGE ID	CREATED	VIRTUAL SIZE
kubia	latest	d30ecc7419e7	1 minute ago	637.1 MB
...				

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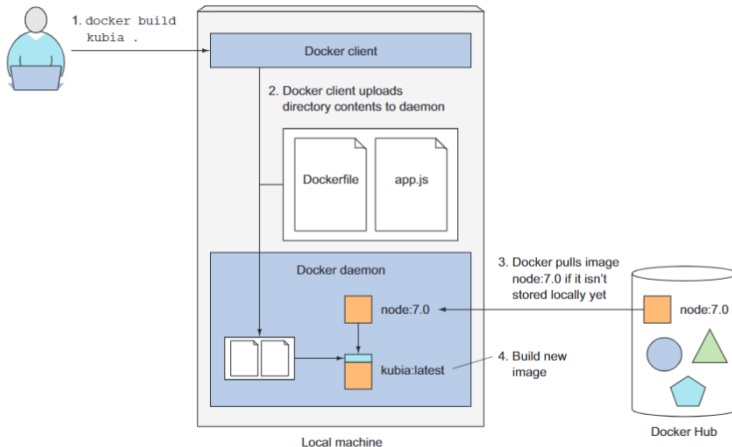
## Listing 2.5 Listing running containers

```
$ docker ps
```

CONTAINER ID	IMAGE	COMMAND	CREATED	...
44d76963e8e1	kubia:latest	"/bin/sh -c 'node ap	6 minutes ago	...
...	STATUS	PORTS	NAMES	
...	Up 6 minutes	0.0.0.0:8080->8080/tcp	kubia-container	

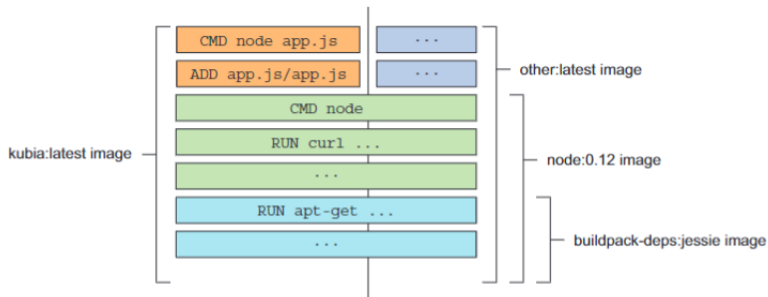
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# Building a new container image from a Dockerfile



**Figure:** Fig. by courtesy of Marko Luksa[1]

# The layers of a container image



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# More container commands

Running the container image

```
$ docker run --name kubia-container -p 8080:8080  
$ curl localhost:8080
```

Exploring the inside of a running container

```
$ docker exec -it kubia-container bash  
$ ps aux
```

Stopping and removing a container

```
$ docker stop kubia-container  
$ docker rm kubia-container
```



# Output of container commands

## Listing 2.6 Listing processes from inside a container

```
root@44d76963e8e1:/# ps aux
USER  PID  %CPU %MEM    VSZ   RSS TTY  STAT  START  TIME  COMMAND
root    1   0.0  0.1 676380 16504 ?    S1   12:31  0:00  node app.js
root   10   0.0  0.0  20216  1924 ?    Ss   12:31  0:00  bash
root   19   0.0  0.0  17492  1136 ?    R+   12:38  0:00  ps aux
```

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## Listing 2.8 A container has its own complete filesystem

```
root@44d76963e8e1:/# ls /
app.js  boot  etc  lib  media  opt  root  sbin  sys  usr
bin     dev  home  lib64  mnt  proc  run  srv  tmp  var
```

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# Pushing the image to the registry

```
$ docker tag kuba <dockerid>/kuba
```

## Listing 2.9 A container image can have multiple tags

```
$ docker images | head
```

REPOSITORY	TAG	IMAGE ID	CREATED	VIRTUAL SIZE
luksa/kuba	latest	d30ecc7419e7	About an hour ago	654.5 MB
kuba	latest	d30ecc7419e7	About an hour ago	654.5 MB
docker.io/node	7.0	04c0ca2a8dad	2 days ago	654.5 MB
...				

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```
$ docker push <dockerid>/kuba
$ docker run -p 8080:8080 -d <dockerid>/kuba
```

# Setting up a Kubernetes cluster with Minikube

What is minikube

- ▶ A tool that enables us to run Kubernetes locally
- ▶ Implements a local single node cluster
- ▶ Runs on macOS, Linux and Windows
- ▶ Used for Kubernetes development and prototyping
- ▶ Exercises and project make use of minikube

You can also order a hosted Kubernetes cluster at Google, Amazon, Microsoft Azure etc.

```
$ minikube start  
$ kubectl get nodes  
$ kubectl describe node <nodeid>
```

# References I

- [1] Luksa, M. (2018). *Kubernetes in Action*. Manning Publications Co.