

DOCKER NOTES:

1- What is Docker?

A platform for building, running, and shipping applications

2- What is a container:

Container vs Virtual Machine:

Problems with VMs:

PROBLEMS

- Each VM needs a full-blown OS
- Slow to start
- Resource intensive

Advantages of Containers:

CONTAINERS

- Allow running multiple apps in isolation
- Are lightweight
- Use OS of the host
- Start quickly
- Need less hardware resources

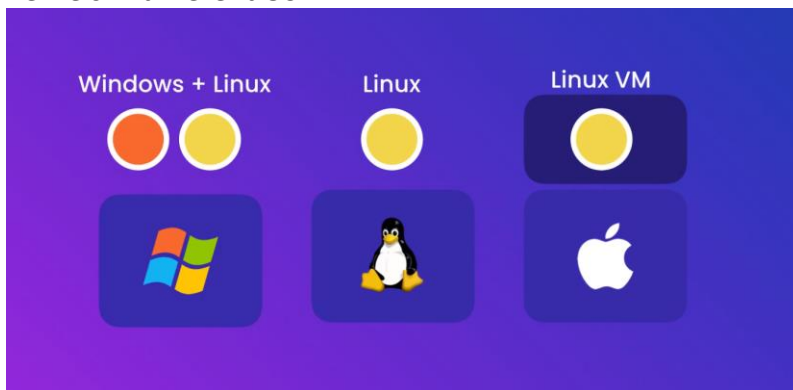
3- The architecture of Docker:

Docker uses a client server architecture: it has a client component that talks to a server component through a REST API. This server is also called Docker engine which takes care of building a Docker container.

4- Container:

A container is a process (like a normal computer process). Containers share the kernel of the host. A kernel manages applications and hardware resources.

Kernels in different OS:

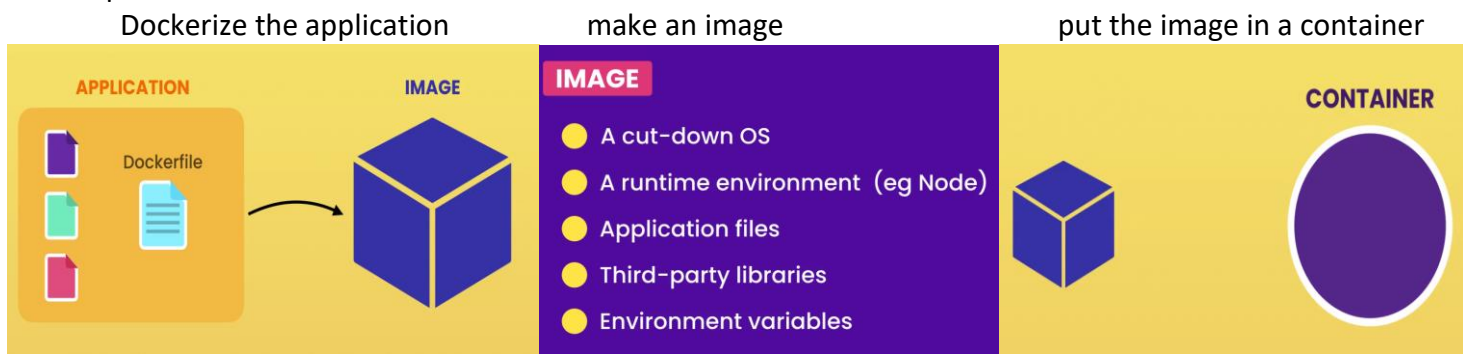


5- Installing Docker:

Enable Hyper-V and Containers on Windows features

Docker version -----> 20.10.7

6- Development Workflow:



7- Linux Command Line:

- Linux Distributions: Ubuntu, Debian, Alpine, Fedora, Centos....

- Choosing Ubuntu for the rest of the tutorial:

*Running Linux:

- Pulling Ubuntu image from Docker Hub – usually we use *docker pull ubuntu* but we can use *docker run ubuntu*

- Start the ubuntu image from a container: *docker run -it ubuntu*

- Linux is case sensitive.

- command *history* shows all the commands we used

- command *!2* executes the second command return by the history command.

Docker package manager: **apt**

- Updating the packages list: *apt update*

- to install a package: *apt install <package name>*

To clear the command line: **ctrl + L**

- to remove a package: *apt remove nano*

** **Linux File System:**



LINUX COMMANDS:

- **pwd**: print working directory

- **ls**: lists, change layout results: **ls -l** and **ls -l** and **ls -a** (show all files – even hidden ones)

- **cd**: change directory – **cd ..** go back – **cd ../..** go to root directory – **cd ~** home directory

- **mkdir**: create directory

- **mv**: rename directory: example: **mv test docker** - or move files/directories to another directory

- **touch**: create a file

- **rm**: remove files and directories – **rm file*** - remove all files that start with file – **rm -r docker/** - remove docker directory

- **nano**: file editor in Linux, it is not included by default (**apt install nano**)

- **nano file1.txt**: create a new file and open it in text editor to write

- **cat**: concatenate files or see the content of a file (if the file is short)

- **more**: see the content of bigger files (only supports scrolling down)
- **less**: see the content of a file (using the up and down arrows) (**apt install less**)
- **Q**: to exit when inside another window
- **head**: show the first few lines of the content of a file (**head -n 5 /etc/adduser.conf** shows the first 5 lines of the file named adduser.conf stored in the directory etc)
- **tail**: show the last few lines of the content of a file (**tail -n 5 /etc/adduser.conf**)
- Redirection: using the ">" operator: showing the output elsewhere

Example: **cat file1.txt > file2.txt**

- **grep**: search files for strings – **grep -i hello file*** : search for the word hello in all files that start with name file and case insensitive (-i) – **grep -i -r hello .** : search current directory for the word hello
- combining options: **grep -i -r hello .** is equivalent to **grep -ir hello .**
- **find**: finding all files and directories in the current directory – **find -type d** (list all directories) – **find -type f** (list all files) – **find -type f -name "f*"** (find all files that start with f) - **find -type f -iname "f*"**: same but case insensitive

```
root@510431ff8a44:~# find / -type f -iname "*.py" > python.txt
```

Finding all python files in the root directory (on the image) and writing the result to a file called python.txt

- chaining/combining commands: **mkdir test; cd test; echo done**; note the semi colon! If your commands are too long, you can divide your commands into different lines as follows:

```
mkdir test;\ncd test;\necho done;
```

we also can use logic operators here to make sure all commands get executed together or not:

mkdir test && cd test && echo done or **mkdir test || echo "directory exists"**

Note: the **echo** command is equivalent to the **print** command in python

- piping: **ls /bin | less**

- environment variables:

- **printenv**: shows all environment variables on the machine – **printenv PATH (case sensitive)**: print the value of the variable PATH

- **echo \$PATH**: Also shows the value of the PATH variable (similar to **printenv PATH**)

Setting a variable:

- **export DB_USER=houssem**: setting a variable named DB_USER to a value of Houssem, however, this variable is available only on the open session, once the session is closed, we lose that variable.

- **docker ps -a**: to see all docker containers

- **exit**: exit a session

- **docker start -i 2f7**: to start a container – Note: 2f7 are the first 3 characters of the container id. The option -i is included here to enable interaction with the container

- **echo DB_USER=Houssem >> .bashrc** to create a permanent environment variable (that it is not deleted when session is closed). **Note**: bashrc file is where we have to write our permanent environment variables. Also, we use the ">>" instead of ">" to avoid overwriting the content of bashrc, instead we want just to append to it.

- **source .bashrc**: to see the variable change, we need to reload the bashrc file from the **home** directory.

Managing processes: a process is an instance of a running program

- **ps**: see all running processes

- **sleep 3 &**: create a process and put it in the background

- **kill 37**: kill the process with id 37

Managing users:

- **useradd -m John**: add a user John to **/etc/passwd**

- **usermod**: modify user params -for example – change shell to bash: **usermod -s /bin/bash john**

- **cat /etc/shadow**: where passwords are saved (this file is only accessible to the root user)

- log in with a different user: **C:\Users\Owner>docker exec -it -u john 510431ff8a44 bash**

Note: **-it**: to interact with docker, **-u**: to specify user, **510431ff8a44**: docker container id, **bash**: open a bash session for user john. John has less permission than the root user:

```
john@510431ff8a44:/$ cat /etc/shadow
cat: /etc/shadow: Permission denied
```

- **userdel john**: delete user
- **adduser**: more interactive than **useradd**, in general use **useradd** with docker.

Managing groups:

- **groupadd**: create a group – **groupadd developers**
- **usermod -G developers john**: add a user to a group
- **grep john /etc/passwd**:

```
root@510431ff8a44:~# grep john /etc/passwd
john:x:1000:1000:~/home/john:/bin/bash
```

- **groups john**: shows all the groups that john is a part of

```
root@510431ff8a44:~# groups john
john : john developers
```

Here john is part of 2 groups: john and developers: john is a primary group and developers is a supplementary group.

- **usermod --append john -G artists**: add john to a third group without removing an older group.

File Permissions:

- **chmod u+x deploy.sh**: Give permission to the user to execute **deploy.sh** file – **chmod o+x**: give permission to others
- **chmod g+u**: give permission to group owner – **chmod og+x+w-r *.sh**
- **chmod u-x**: remove permission

Docker Building Images:

Image vs container

IMAGE

- A cut-down OS
- Third-party libraries
- Application files
- Environment variables

CONTAINER

- Provides an isolated environment
- Can be stopped & restarted
- Is just a process!

Dockerize an application:

Create a dockerfile: a dockerfile contains instructions for building an image

DOCKERFILE

- FROM
- WORKDIR
- COPY
- ADD
- RUN
- ENV
- EXPOSE
- USER
- CMD
- ENTRYPOINT

Create a new file in the working directory of your project (in VS code), this file is called **Dockerfile** (no extension)

1- Choosing the right base Image:

For JavaScript, we need a node image, example: **16.4-alpine3.14**

```
FROM node:16.4-alpine3.14
```

1-0- Building the image:

docker build -t react-app . : -t for tagging the image and "." For current directory.

1-1- **docker image ls**: to view all built images

1-2- **docker run -it react-app**: we will enter a node environment.

1-3- **docker run -it react-app bash**: will enter a bash environment

1-4- **docker run -it react-app sh**: will enter a shell environment

2- copying application files and directories into the image:

-Copying multiple files into the image: **COPY package.json README.md /app/**

Note: /app/ is the image directory(if it doesn't exist, docker will create it)

-Using patterns: **COPY package*.json /app/** : coping all files that start with package and ends with .json

- copying everything in the current directory to the image: **COPY . /app/**

- Destinations: /app/ (this is an absolute path because it start with "/"), we can also use a relative path if we set the

WORKDIR first:

```
WORKDIR /app
```

```
COPY . .
```

here we have set the WORKDIR to /app, so in COPY, we replace /app/ to "."

Note: if we are trying to copy a file that has a space in its name, then we can use an array of files to copy like this:

```
COPY ["hello world.text", "."]
```

ADD: similar to COPY, but has few extra features: we can add files from web links – also, ADD can unzip (zip) files.

3- Excluding files and directories:

Similar to git: create a file named: **.dockerignore**

4- Running commands:

RUN: **RUN npm install**

5- Setting environment variables:

ENV: **ENV API_URL=http://api.myapp.com/**

6- Exposing Ports:

EXPOSE: **EXPOSE 3000**: specify the port where the application will be running

7- Setting the User:

```
RUN addgroup app && adduser -S -G app app
```

USER: **USER app** setting the USER to app (not root)

8- Defining Entry Points:

CMD: **CMD npm start** or **CMD ["npm", "start"]** (this one is favored)

Difference between **CMD** and **RUN**: RUN gets executed when we build the image, but CMD gets executed when we run the container.

Note: **ENTRYPOINT** is similar to CMD (use it only when we are certain about the command that we want to start when running the container) – syntax is similar to CMD

FINAL DOCKERFILE FORM:

```

🐳 Dockerfile > ...
1 FROM node:16.4-alpine3.14
2 RUN addgroup app && adduser -S -G app app
3 USER app
4 WORKDIR /app
5 COPY . .
6 RUN npm install
7 ENV API_URL=http://api.myapp.com/
8 EXPOSE 3000
9 #CMD npm start
10 CMD ["npm", "start"]

```

9- Speeding up builds:

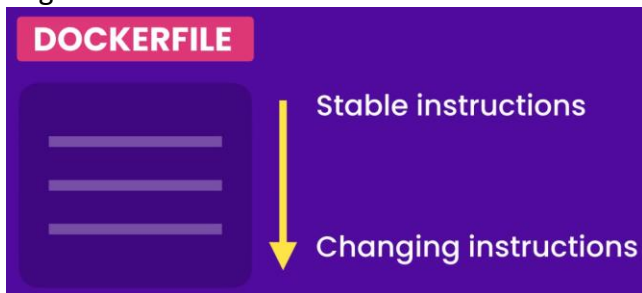
Optimize building the image:

```

🐳 Dockerfile > 📦 CMD
1 FROM node:16.4-alpine3.14
2 RUN addgroup app && adduser -S -G app app
3 USER app
4 WORKDIR /app
5 COPY package*.json .
6 RUN npm install
7 COPY . .
8 ENV API_URL=http://api.myapp.com/
9 EXPOSE 3000
10 CMD ["npm", "start"]

```

In general:



-- Removing Images:

Using these 2 commands to remove dangling images:

docker image prune

docker container prune

to delete an actual image: **rm image <image name or image id>**

-- Tagging images:

docker build -t react-app:1 .: tagging image while building it

Or

docker image tag react-app:latest react-app:1

Remove tag:

docker image remove react-app:1

-- Sharing Images: uploading image to docker hub

1- create a repository on docker hub

2- run: `docker image tag fce zoug86/react-app:2` Note: *fce* are the first 3 characters of the image id

3- run: `docker login`

4- run: `docker push zoug86/react-app:2`

-- Saving and Loading images:

- save: `docker image save -o react-app.zip react-app:3`

- load: `docker image load -i react-app.zip`

-----### WORKING with CONTAINERS###-----

-- Starting containers:

To view running containers: `docker ps`

To run a container: `docker run -d --name blue-sky react-app`: we named this container blue-sky. Note: -d for detached, which allows the container to run in the background and gives us back the terminal to write more commands.

-- Viewing the logs:

To view log: `docker logs <container id>` (to see all options run `docker logs - - help`)

-- Publishing Ports:

To allow the container to open the web page on port 3000 of the host:

```
docker run -d -p 3000:3000 --name new react-app
```

-- Executing commands in running containers:

Use the `exec` command: `docker exec new ls`

Open a shell command: `docker exec -it new sh`

-- Stopping and Starting Containers:

Stopping: `docker stop new`: stopping a container called new

Starting: `docker start new`: restarting the container stopped above

-- Removing Containers:

Removing with force: `docker rm -f <container name>`

`docker ps -a | grep <container name>`: to see if a stopped container still exists on a long list of containers

`docker container prune`: delete all stopped containers

-- Persisting data using Volumes:

Create a new volume: `docker volume create app-data`

Inspect the volume: `docker volume inspect app-data`

Mapping the volume to a directory in the file system of the container:

```
docker run -d -p 4000:3000 -v app-data:/app/data react-app
```

Note: a normal user cannot write to a normal directory (data directory above), unless we add the data directory manually on the dockerfile.

```
USER app
WORKDIR /app
RUN mkdir data
```

Then build the image again: `docker build -t react-app .`

Now start a new container: `docker run -d -p 5000:3000 -v app-data:/app/data react-app`

-- Copying files between Host and containers:

- Copying from container to host: `docker cp 453a2277457c:/app/log.txt .`

- Copying files from host to container: `docker cp secret.txt 453a2277457c:/app`

-- Sharing the Source Code with a container:

In Windows:

```
docker run -d -p 5001:3000 -v "C:\Users\Owner\Desktop\coding training\Docker\Section 4- Images\section4-react-app":/app react-app
```

In Linux:

```
docker run -d -p 5001:3000 -v $(pwd):/app react-app
```

-----### Running multi- CONTAINER Applications###-----

using docker compose

With docker compose, there is no need to install frontend and backend (and database) dependencies separately, all we need run is this:

```
docker-compose up
```

The ***docker-compose.yml*** file: **YAML** language format:

Here is how a typical YAML file looks like:

```
---
name: The Ultimate Docker Course
price: 149
is_published: true
tags:
  - software
  - devops
author:
  first_name: Houssein
  last_name: Marzougui
```

Note the three hyphens up top. YAML works by indentation (similar to python)

-- Creating a docker compose YAML file:

1- create a new file named: **docker-compose.yml**


```

🐳 docker-compose.yml
1  version: "3.8"
2
3  services:
4    frontend:
5      depends_on:
6        - backend
7      build: ./frontend
8      ports:
9        - 3000:3000
10
11    backend:
12      depends_on:
13        - db
14      build: ./backend
15      ports:
16        - 3001:3001
17      environment:
18        DB_URL: mongodb://db/vidly
19      command: ./docker-entrypoint.sh
20
21    db:
22      image: mongo:4.0-xenial
23      ports:
24        - 27017:27017
25      volumes:
26        - vidly:/data/db
27
28  volumes:
29    vidly:

```

2- build the image: **docker-compose build**

Force a new rebuild: **docker-compose build --no-cache**

3- start the application: **docker-compose up -d**

Note: we can combine 1 and 2 in one go: **docker-compose up --build**

Stop the application: **docker-compose down**

-- Docker Networking:

View all docker networks: **docker network**

Ping one container from another: **docker exec -it -u root 8c6 sh**, then: **ping backend**

ifconfig: to see IP addresses of containers

-- Viewing logs:

docker-compose logs – to see logs for one container: **docker logs <container_id>**

-- Publishing changes:

Sharing source code between containers and host

Added: **volumes**: - **./backend:/app** and - **./frontend:/app**

```
backend:
  depends_on:
    - db
  build: ./backend
  ports:
    - 3001:3001
  environment:
    DB_URL: mongodb://db/vidly
  #command: ./docker-entrypoint.sh
  volumes:
    - ./backend:/app
```

Problem: could not get **nodemon** to work with docker compose

--Migrating the database:

- create a docker entrypoint shell file and call it: ***docker-entrypoint.sh***

```
#!/bin/sh

echo "Waiting for MongoDB to start..."
./wait-for db:27017

echo "Migrating the database..."
npm run db:up

echo "Starting the server..."
npm start
```

Then in the ***docker-compose.yml*** file include the command line as follows:

```
environment:
  DB_URL: mongodb://db/vidly
command: ./docker-entrypoint.sh
volumes:
  - ./backend:/app
```

-- Running Tests:

Can do them separate or include them inside the container:

```
frontend-test:
  image: vidly_frontend
  volumes:
    - ./frontend:/app
  command: npm test
```

-----### Deploying Applications###-----

-- Deployment Options:

- Single-host deployment
- Cluster deployment

For cluster deployment solutions:

- Docker Swarm
- Kubernetes

-- Getting a Virtual Private Server:

VPS OPTIONS

- Digital Ocean
- Google Cloud Platform (GCP)
- Microsoft Azure
- Amazon Web Services (AWS)

-- Install docker machine:

```
$ base=https://github.com/docker/machine/releases/download/v0.16.0 \  
&& mkdir -p "$HOME/bin" \  
&& curl -L $base/docker-machine-Windows-x86_64.exe > "$HOME/bin/docker-machine.exe" \  
&& chmod +x "$HOME/bin/docker-machine.exe"
```

```
base=https://github.com/docker/machine/releases/download/v0.16.0 \  
&& mkdir -p "$HOME/bin" \  
&& curl -L $base/docker-machine-Windows-x86_64.exe > "$HOME/bin/docker-machine.exe" \  
&& chmod +x "$HOME/bin/docker-machine.exe"
```

-- Provisioning a Host:

```
1- $ export DOTOKEN=your-api-token
```

```
$export DOTOKEN=88087eba9c18895e82573f8d287850d3aec81a211f530e209116471295d0bbe1
```

2-

```
$ docker-machine create --driver digitalocean --digitalocean-access-token $DOTOKEN --digitalocean-image ubuntu-18-04-x64 --engine-install-url "https://releases.rancher.com/install-docker/19.03.9.sh" vidly
```

```
docker-machine create --driver digitalocean --digitalocean-access-token $DOTOKEN --digitalocean-image ubuntu-18-04-x64 --engine-install-url "https://releases.rancher.com/install-docker/19.03.9.sh" vidly
```

--Connecting to the Host:

```
Run: $ docker-machine ssh vidly
```

-- Defining the Production Configuration:

We need to create a new **docker-compose.yml** file for production phase:

```

1  version: "3.8"
2
3  services:
4    frontend:
5      depends_on:
6        - backend
7      build: ./frontend
8      ports:
9        - 80:3000
10     restart: unless-stopped
11    backend:
12      depends_on:
13        - db
14      build: ./backend
15      ports:
16        - 3001:3001
17      environment:
18        DB_URL: mongodb://db/vidly
19      command: ./docker-entrypoint.sh
20      restart: unless-stopped
21
22    db:
23      image: mongo:4.0-xenial
24      ports:
25        - 27017:27017
26      volumes:
27        - vidly:/data/db
28      restart: unless-stopped
29
30  volumes:
31    vidly:

```

-- Reducing Image size:

Create a production Dockerfile: ***Dockerfile.prod***

```

frontend > Dockerfile.prod > ...
1  # step 1: build stage
2  FROM node:14.16.0-alpine3.13 AS build-stage
3  WORKDIR /app
4  COPY package*.json ./
5  RUN npm install
6  COPY . .
7  RUN npm run build
8
9  # step 1: production stage
10 FROM nginx:1.12-alpine AS production-stage
11 RUN addgroup app && adduser -S -G app app
12 USER app
13 COPY --from=build-stage /app/build /usr/share/nginx/html
14 EXPOSE 80
15 ENTRYPOINT [ "nginx", "-g", "daemon off;" ]

```

Then run the following:

```
$ docker build -t vidly_web_opt -f Dockerfile.prod .
```

Then modify the ***docker-compose.prod.yml*** file as follows:

```

1  version: "3.8"
2
3  services:
4    frontend:
5      depends_on:
6        - backend
7      build:
8        context: ../frontend
9        dockerfile: Dockerfile.prod
10     ports:
11       - 80:80
12     restart: unless-stopped

```

Then run:

\$ docker-compose -f docker-compose.prod.yml build

-- Deploying the application:

1- run: **\$ docker-compose -f docker-compose.prod.yml build**

2- run: **@FOR /f "tokens=*" %i IN ("C:\Users\Owner\bin\docker-machine.exe" env vidly) DO @%i** (run it on CMD not bash)

3- **docker-compose -f docker-compose.prod.yml up -d**

Then we got error (permission denied)

To fix this, add this line in the backend Dockerfile:

```

RUN addgroup app && adduser -S -G app app
RUN mkdir /app && chown app:app /app
USER app

```

4- Now run this: **docker-compose -f docker-compose.prod.yml up -d --build (on CMD)**

5- add the ENV variables:

```

COPY . .
ENV REACT_APP_API_URL=http://159.89.37.140:3001/api
RUN npm run build

```

6-Rebuild: **docker-compose -f docker-compose.prod.yml up -d --build (on CMD)**

-- Publishing changes:

Add tags to images:

```

context: ../frontend
dockerfile: Dockerfile.prod
image: vidly_frontend:1
ports:
  - 80:80

```