Presentation – 3

Docker containers

Test on VMs

• Google form with test:

What is a container?



•Standardized packaging for software and dependencies

 Isolated applications sharing the same OS kernel

•Supported on Linux and Windows

Terminology



Docker Image

The basis of a Docker container. Represents a full application



Docker Container

The standard unit in which the application service resides and executes



Docker Engine

Creates, ships and runs Docker containers deployable on a physical or virtual, host locally, in a datacenter or cloud service provider



Registry Service (Docker Hub (Public) or Docker Trusted Registry (Private))

Cloud or server-based storage and distribution service for your images

Images and Containers



Docker Image

Docker Containers

Examples: Nginx web server, DB server, Nodejs Application

Each container is created from an image

Docker containers are NOT VMs

- Fundamentally different architectures
- Easy to manage
- No need to install separate OS



Virtual machine



Containers on one host machine

Docker can work on virtual machines



Using Docker: Build, Ship, Run Workflow



Basic Docker Commands

- \$ docker image pull node:latest
- \$ docker image ls
- \$ docker container run -d -p 5000:5000 --name node node:latest
- \$ docker container ps
- \$ docker container stop node(or <container id>)
- \$ docker container rm node (or <container id>)
- \$ docker image rmi (or <image id>)
- \$ docker build -t node:2.0 .
- \$ docker image push node:2.0
- \$ docker --help

Image can be easily created with dockerfile

```
🗼 Dockerfile 🗙
      # Create image based on the official Node 6 image from dockerhub
      FROM node:latest
      # Create a directory where our app will be placed
      RUN mkdir -p /usr/src/app
      # Change directory so that our commands run inside this new directory
      WORKDIR /usr/src/app
      # Copy dependency definitions
      COPY package.json /usr/src/app
      # Install dependecies
      RUN npm install
      # Get all the code needed to run the app
      COPY . /usr/src/app
      # Expose the port the app runs in
      EXPOSE 4200
      # Serve the app
      CMD ["npm", "start"]
```

- Instructions on how to build a Docker image
- Looks very similar to "native" commands
- Important to optimize your Dockerfile

Each Dockerfile Command Creates a Layer

EXPOSE	
COPY	
WORKDIR	
RUN	
FROM	
Kernel	

Docker Volumes – how to avoid data loss?

- Volumes mount a directory on the host into the container at a specific location
- Can be used to share (and persist) data between containers
 - Directory persists after the container is deleted
 - Unless you explicitly delete it
- Can be created in a Dockerfile or via CLI

Attaching a container directly to you source code folder

• You can mount local source code into a running container

```
docker container run -v
$(pwd):/usr/src/app/ myapp
```

- Improve performance
 - As directory structures get complicated traversing the tree can slow system performance
- Data persistence

Path to working directory

Other topics to study at home and on practice classes

- Networking
 - How to connect containers on the same host. They will not see one another if network is not configured
- Docker compose
 - How to create a package of several containers.

Practice and homework

- Practice:
 - Basic operations in docker
- Homework:
 - Use docker compose to create a software package containing:
 - A database server
 - A web site that is connected to the database