



Best practices in development and deployment, with Docker and Containers





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- •Wrote dotCloud PAAS deployment tools –EC2, LXC, Puppet, Python, Shell, ØMQ...
- Docker contributor
 - -Docker-in-Docker, VPN-in-Docker, router-in-Docker... CONTAINERIZE ALL THE THINGS!
- •Runs Docker in production
 - -You shouldn't do it, but here's how anyway!







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- The container metaphor
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Deploy everything

- webapps
- backends
- SQL, NoSQL
- big data
- message queues
- ... and more













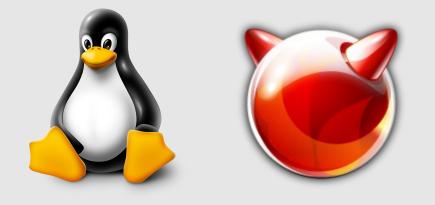


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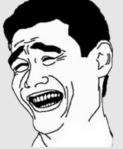
Yeah, right...







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- Linux servers
- VMs or bare metal
- Any distro
- Kernel 3.8 (or RHEL 2.6.32)







Deploy reliably & consistently





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Deploy reliably & consistently

- If it works locally, it will work on the server
- With exactly the same behavior
- Regardless of versions
- Regardless of distros
- Regardless of dependencies







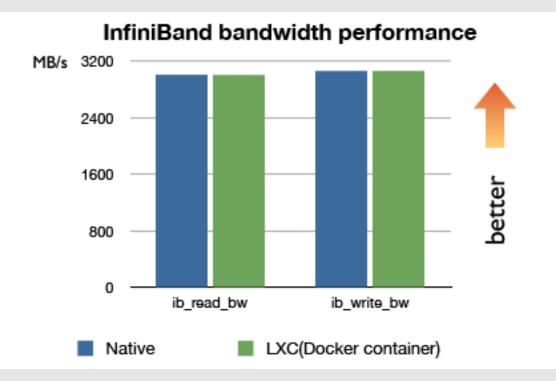
Deploy efficiently

- Containers are lightweight
 - Typical laptop runs 10-100 containers easily
 - Typical server can run 100-1000 containers
- Containers can run at native speeds
 - Lies, damn lies, and other benchmarks: http://qiita.com/syoyo/items/bea48de8d7c6d8c73435





The performance! It's over 9000!



InfiniBand latency performance





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... Container ?







High level approach: it's a lightweight VM

- own process space
- own network interface
- can run stuff as root
- can have its own /sbin/init (different from the host)

« Machine Container »







Low level approach: it's chroot on steroids

- can also not have its own /sbin/init
- container = isolated process(es)
- share kernel with host
- no device emulation (neither HVM nor PV)

« Application Container »







How does it work? Isolation with namespaces

- pid
- mnt
- net
- uts
- ipc
- user







pid namespace

```
jpetazzo@tarrasque:~$ ps aux | wc -l
212
```

jpetazzo@tarrasque:~\$ sudo docker run -t -i ubuntu bash
root@ea319b8ac416:/# ps aux
USER PID %CPU %MEM VSZ RSS TTY STAT START TIME COMMAND
root 1 0.0 0.0 18044 1956 ? S 02:54 0:00 bash
root 16 0.0 0.0 15276 1136 ? R+ 02:55 0:00 ps aux

```
(That's 2 processes)
```







mnt namespace

jpetazzo@tarrasque:~\$ wc -l /proc/mounts

32 /proc/mounts

root@ea319b8ac416:/# wc -l /proc/mounts

10 /proc/mounts







net namespace

root@ea319b8ac416:/# ip addr

1: lo: <LOOPBACK,UP,LOWER_UP> mtu 65536 qdisc noqueue state UNKNOWN link/loopback 00:00:00:00:00 brd 00:00:00:00:00:00 <u>inet 127.0.0.1/8</u> scope host lo valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever inet6 ::1/128 scope host valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever

22: eth0: <BROADCAST,MULTICAST,UP,LOWER_UP> mtu 1500 qdisc pfifo_fast state UP qlen 1000

link/ether 2a:d1:4b:7e:bf:b5 brd ff:ff:ff:ff:ff:ff
inet 10.1.1.3/24 brd 10.1.1.255 scope global eth0
valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever
inet6 fe80::28d1:4bff:fe7e:bfb5/64 scope link
LE valid_lft forever preferred_lft forever





uts namespace

jpetazzo@tarrasque:~\$ hostname tarrasque

root@ea319b8ac416:/# hostname ea319b8ac416







ipc namespace

<pre>jpetazzo@tarrasque:~\$ Shared Memory key shmid 0x000000000 3178496 0x00000000 557057 0x00000000 3211266</pre>	•	perms 600 777 600	bytes 393216 2778672 393216	nattch 2 0 2	status dest dest
root@ea319b8ac416:/# ipcs					
Shared Memory	Segments				
key shmid	owner	perms	bytes	nattch	status
Semaphore Arrays					
key semid	owner	perms	nsems		
Message Queues					
key msqid	owner	perms	used-bytes	messages	







user namespace

- No demo, but see LXC 1.0 (just released)
- UID 0→1999 in container C1 is mapped to UID 10000→11999 in host; UID 0→1999 in container C2 is mapped to UID 12000→13999 in host; etc.
- what will happen with copy-on-write?
 - double translation at VFS?

- single root UID on read-only FS?





How does it work? Isolation with cgroups

- memory
- cpu
- blkio
- devices







memory cgroup

- keeps track pages used by each group:
 - file (read/write/mmap from block devices; swap)
 - anonymous (stack, heap, anonymous mmap)
 - active (recently accessed)

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- inactive (candidate for eviction)
- each page is « charged » to a group
- pages can be shared (e.g. if you use any COW FS)
- Individual (per-cgroup) limits and out-of-memory killer





cpu and cpuset cgroups

- keep track of user/system CPU time
- set relative weight per group
- pin groups to specific CPU(s)
 - Can be used to « reserve » CPUs for some apps
 - This is also relevant for big NUMA systems







blkio cgroups

- keep track IOs for each block device
 - read vs write; sync vs async
- set relative weights
- set throttle (limits) for each block device
 - read vs write; bytes/sec vs operations/sec

Note: earlier versions (<3.8) didn't account async correctly. 3.8 is better, but use 3.10 for best results.



devices cgroups

- controls read/write/mknod permissions
- typically:
 - allow: /dev/{tty,zero,random,null}...
 - deny: everything else
 - maybe: /dev/net/tun, /dev/fuse, /dev/kvm, /dev/dri...
- fine-grained control for GPU, virtualization, etc.







How does it work? Copy-on-write storage

- Create a new machine instantly (Instead of copying its whole filesystem)
- Storage keeps track of what has changed
- Since 0.7, Docker has a storage plugin system







docker

Storage: many options!

		Union Filesystems	Snapshotting Filesystems	Copy-on-write block devices
€∕a i	Provisioning	Superfast Supercheap	Fast Cheap	Fast Cheap
	Changing small files	Superfast Supercheap	Fast Cheap	Fast Costly
	Changing large files	Slow (first time) Inefficient (copy-up!)	Fast Cheap	Fast Cheap
	Diffing	Superfast	Superfast	Slow
	Memory usage	Efficient	Efficient	Inefficient (at high densities)
	Drawbacks	Random quirks AUFS not mainline !AUFS more quirks	ZFS not mainline BTRFS not as nice	Higher disk usage Great performance (except diffing)
	Bottom line	Ideal for PAAS and high density things	This is the Future (probably)	Dodge Ram 3500



Compute efficiency: almost no overhead

- processes are isolated, but run straight on the host
- CPU performance
 native performance
- memory performance
 - = a few % shaved off for (optional) accounting
- network performance
 - = small overhead; can be reduced to zero





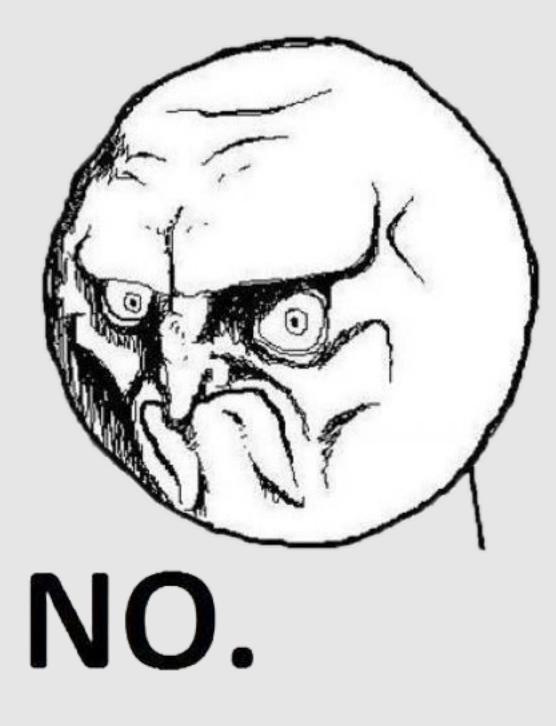


Alright, I get this. Containers = nimble VMs.















The container metaphor







Problem: shipping goods

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Solution: **Intermodal shipping container**









Solved!









Problem: shipping code

	?	?	?	?	?	?
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	?	?	?	?	?	?
	?	?	?	?	?	?
cassandra	?	?	?	?	?	?







Solution: the *Linux* container









Solved!









- inside my container:
 - my code
 - my libraries
 - my package manager
 - my app
 - my data





Separation of concerns: Oscar the Ops guy

- outside the container:
 - logging
 - remote access
 - network configuration
 - monitoring





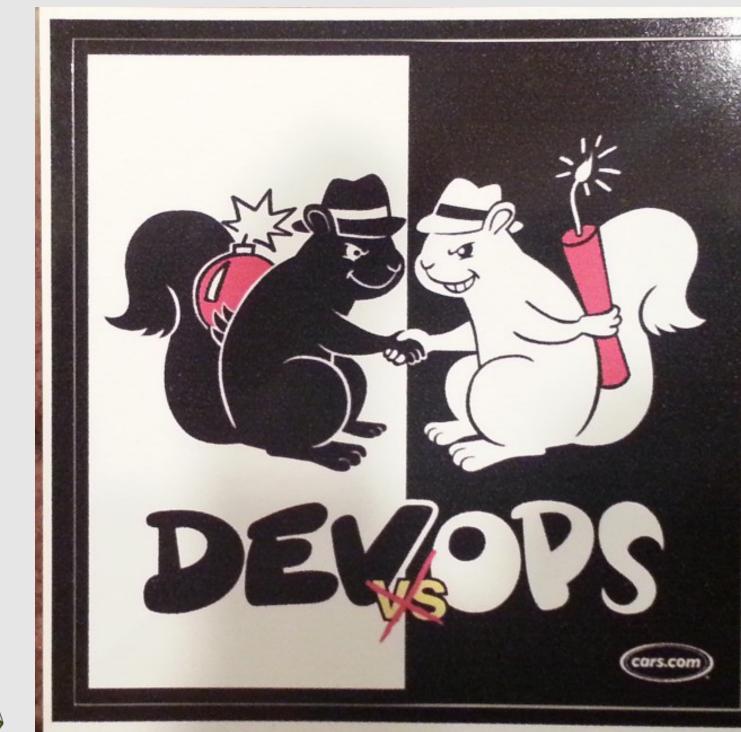


Separation of concerns: what it *doesn't* mean

« I don't have to care » ≠ « I don't care »













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root@dockerhost:~# 🗌



Yes, but...

- « I don't need Docker;
 I can do all that stuff with LXC tools, rsync, and some scripts! »
- correct on all accounts; but it's also true for apt, dpkg, rpm, yum, etc.
- the whole point is to **commoditize**, i.e. make it ridiculously easy to use







What this really means...

- instead of writing « very small shell scripts » to manage containers, write them to do the rest:
 - continuous deployment/integration/testing
 - orchestration
- = use Docker as a building block
- re-use other people images (yay ecosystem!)







Docker-what? The Big Picture

- Open Source engine to commoditize LXC
- using copy-on-write for quick provisioning
- allowing to create and share images
- standard format for containers
 (stack of layers; 1 layer = tarball+metadata)
- standard, *reproducible* way to *easily* build *trusted* images (Dockerfile, Stackbrew...)



Docker-what? History



- rewrite of dotCloud internal container engine
 - original version: Python, tied to dotCloud PaaS
 - released version: Go, legacy-free
- remember SCALE11X talk about LXC?
 - Docker was announced one month later!







Docker-what? Under the hood

- the Docker daemon runs in the background
 - manages containers, images, and builds
 - HTTP API (over UNIX or TCP socket)
 - embedded CLI talking to the API







Docker-what? Take me to your dealer

- Open Source
 - GitHub public repository + issue tracking https://github.com/dotcloud/docker
- Nothing up the sleeve
 - public mailing lists (docker-user, docker-dev)
 - IRC channels (Freenode: #docker #docker-dev)
 - public decision process







Docker-what? The ecosystem

- Docker Inc. (formerly dotCloud Inc.)
 - ~30 employees, VC-backed
 - SAAS and support offering around Docker
- Docker, the community
 - more than 300 contributors, 1500 forks on GitHub
 - dozens of projects around/on top of Docker
 - x100k trained developers





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One-time setup

- On your servers (Linux)
 - Packages (Ubuntu, Debian, Fedora, Gentoo, Arch...)
 - Single binary install (Golang FTW!)
 - Easy provisioning on Rackspace, Digital Ocean, EC2, GCE...
- On your dev env (Linux, OS X, Windows)
 - Vagrantfile
 - boot2docker (25 MB VM image)
 - Natively (if you run Linux)







The Docker workflow 1/2

- Work in dev environment (local machine or container)
- Other services (databases etc.) in containers (and behave just like the real thing!)
- Whenever you want to test « for real »:
 - Build in seconds
 - Run instantly







The Docker workflow 2/2

Satisfied with your local build?

- Push it to a registry (public or private)
- Run it (automatically!) in CI/CD
- Run it in production
- Happiness!

Something goes wrong? Rollback painlessly!





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Authoring images with run/commit







- 1) docker run ubuntu bash
- 2) apt-get install this and that
- 3) docker commit <containerid> <imagename>
- 4) docker run <imagename> bash
- 5) git clone git://.../mycode
- 6) pip install -r requirements.txt
- 7) docker commit <containerid> <imagename>
- 8) repeat steps 4-7 as necessary
- 9) docker tag <imagename> <user/image>
- 10) docker push <user/image>







Authoring images with run/commit

- Pros
 - Convenient, nothing to learn
 - Can roll back/forward if needed
- Cons
 - Manual process
 - Iterative changes stack up
 - Full rebuilds are boring, error-prone







Authoring images with a Dockerfile





FROM ubuntu



```
RUN apt-get -y update
RUN apt-get install -y g++
RUN apt-get install -y erlang-dev erlang-manpages erlang-base-hipe ...
RUN apt-get install -y libmozjs185-dev libicu-dev libtool ...
RUN apt-get install -y make wget
```

```
RUN wget http://.../apache-couchdb-1.3.1.tar.gz | tar -C /tmp -zxf-
RUN cd /tmp/apache-couchdb-* && ./configure && make install
```

```
RUN printf "[httpd]\nport = 8101\nbind_address = 0.0.0.0" >
    /usr/local/etc/couchdb/local.d/docker.ini
```

EXPOSE 8101 CMD ["/usr/local/bin/couchdb"]

docker build -t jpetazzo/couchdb .







Authoring images with a Dockerfile

- Minimal learning curve
- Rebuilds are easy
- Caching system makes rebuilds faster
- Single file to define the whole environment!







Do you even Chef? Puppet? Ansible? Salt?







Docker and Puppet









Docker and Puppet

- Get a Delorean
- Warm up flux capacitors
- Time-travel to yesterday
- Check Brandon Burton's lightning talk
- Check my talk
- Or —
- Get the slides, ask questions \odot





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Coming Soon

- Network acceleration
- Container-specific metrics
- Consolidated logging
- Plugins (compute backends...)
- Orchestration hooks

Those things are already possible, but will soon be part of the core.







Docker 1.0

- Multi-arch, multi-OS
- Stable control API
- Stable plugin API
- Resiliency
- Signature
- Clustering







Recap

Docker:

- Is easy to install
- Will run anything, anywhere
- Gives you repeatable builds
- Enables better CI/CD workflows
- Is backed by a strong community
- Will change how we build and ship software







Thank you! Questions?

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