

Container technologies

(Docker and Singularity)

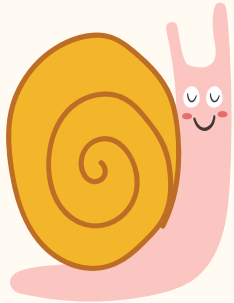


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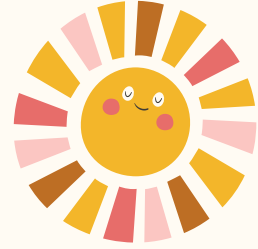
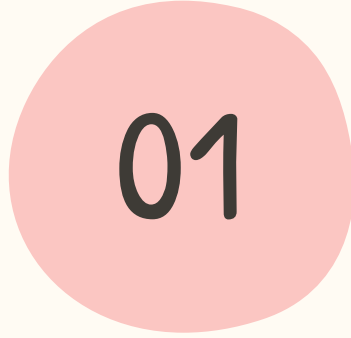
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Why Container



Before Container

All the codes
work now!



Developer

Oh no! Nothing
works on my
system!



Tester

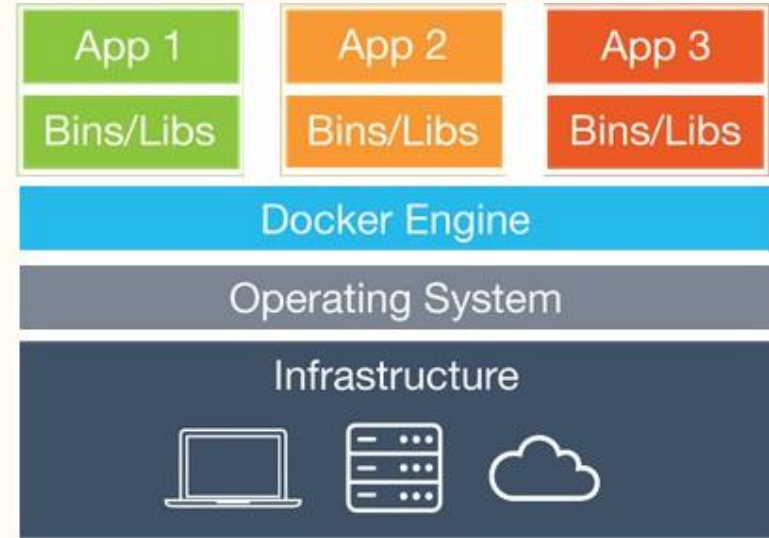


How to solve
this problem?

VMs vs Containers



Virtual Machines



Containers

Why Container?



Criteria	Virtual Machine	Container (Docker)
OS Support	Occupies more space	Occupies less space
Boot-up Time	Long	Short
Performance	Unstable when running >1 VMs	Better (hosted in a single Docker engine)
Scaling	Difficult	Easy
Efficiency	Low	High
Portability	Low	High



After Container

All the codes
work now!




Developer

Yay! The code
works on my
system too!



Tester



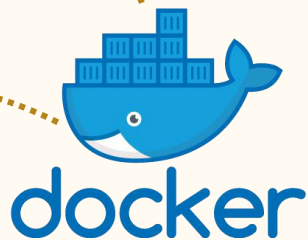
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a software package

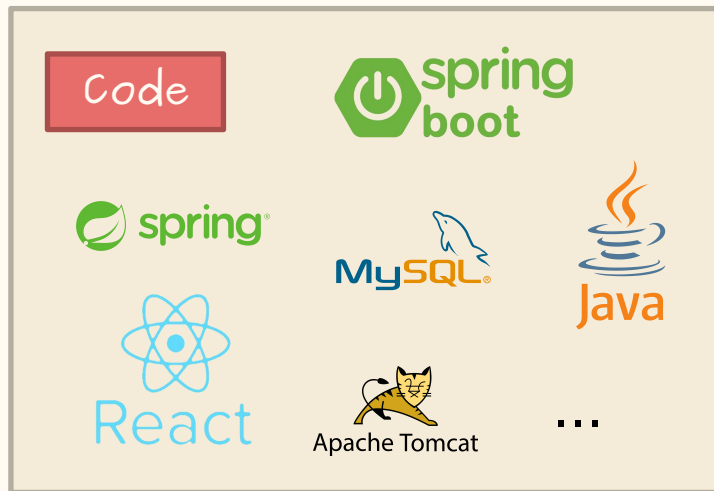
packages up code
and all dependencies



so the application runs
quickly and reliably from
one computing environment
to another.

Example:

A simple web App

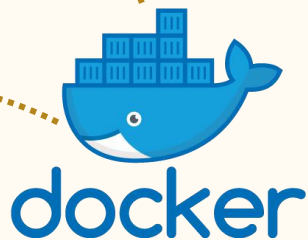


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can run on the same hardware

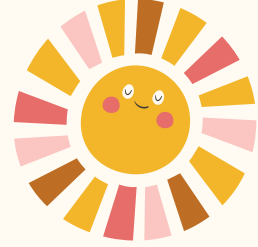
can share the OS
kernel with other
containers

each running as
isolated processes
in user space



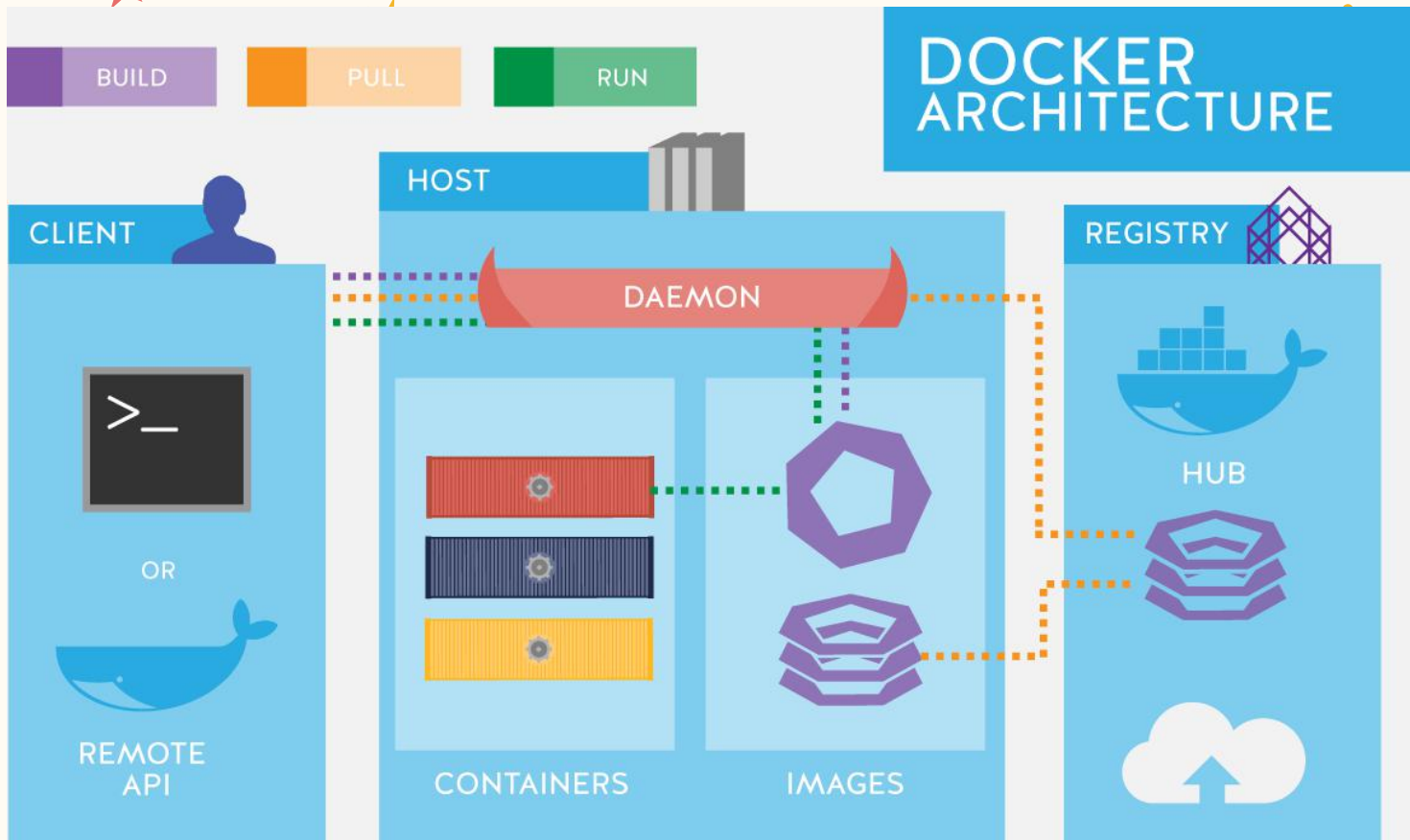


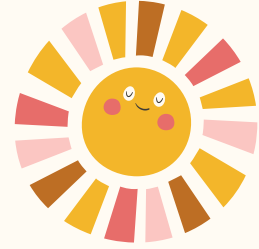
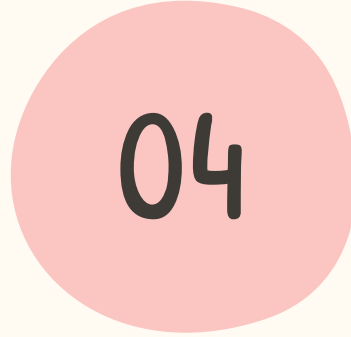
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★ How does Docker work







Practical examples



Example 1: Run CentOS in Docker

1. Find the image on the registry.

on docker hub or run "docker search centos"

2. Pull the image from the registry.

docker pull centos

3. See images.

docker images

4. Run centos image.

docker run -it --name centos1 centos

```
(base) ivana@moodle:~$ sudo docker run -it --name centos1 centos
[root@da255d7c9175 /]# ls
bin dev etc home lib lib64 lost+found media mnt opt proc root run sbin srv sys tmp usr var
[root@da255d7c9175 /]# cd home
[root@da255d7c9175 home]# ls
[root@da255d7c9175 home]# exit
exit
```

Example 1: Run CentOS in Docker

5. See all containers.

```
docker ps -a
```

6. Start container centos1.

```
docker start da255d7c9175
```

7. Run the container in terminal.

```
docker exec -it da255d7c9175 bash
```

8. Stop the container.

```
docker stop da255d7c9175
```


Example 2: build an image from our project

1. Create a project.

2. Maven clean and package.

3. Copy the .jar file under the folder of the project.

4. Create Dockerfile.

5. Build an image.

```
docker build -t weijias-demo .
```

6. See images.

```
docker images
```

Example 2: build an image from our project

7. Run the image in a container.

```
docker run -d -p 8080:8080 --name  
demo1 weijias-demo
```

8. Test the project.

8.1. in the docker container:

```
curl localhost:8080/hello
```

8.2. in the browser on host machine:

```
localhost:8080/hello
```



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Singularity

Why Singularity?

- Singularity addresses the need for containers in the HPC community.

Advantages compared to other container engines



Seamless integration into HPC ecosystem. E.g. workload managers like slurm



Better security model, privilege separation, tools to define and control access rights



Standardized image **format**, guarantees authenticity and immutability



By default support for important libraries and software. E.g. OpenMPI



Better support for older RHEL systems

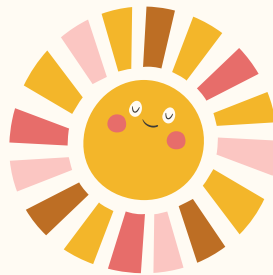


Easier to setup specialized hardware, including CUDA GPUs

Thanks!



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