

## Introduction to Containerization with





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# **1** A bit of context





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For developers:

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- How to provide a sample to reproduce a bug ?

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- OpenContainer Image Specification



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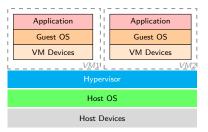
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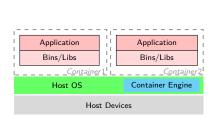
2016/04 Singularity (HPC-oriented)

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## Virtualization vs. Containerization



Type II Virtual Machine



Containerization

- Ability to run different kernel/OS
- Possibility to attach some of host devices

- Shared Kernel, handling isolation
- Kernel-handled virtual devices (network)



## Different targets, different advantages

#### Virtualization

- Best isolation from the host
- Fine tuned resource quota
- Runs any guest OS
- Lots of management tools

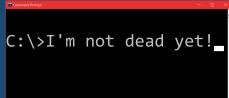
#### Containerization

- Good enough isolation
- Benefit from kernel optimizations & quota
- Very low footprint
- Ease of use



- 1. A bit of context (we just did it)
- 2. Docker:
  - Playing with docker
  - Docker images & registry
  - Docker compositions
  - Security (kind of)
- 3. Singularity
  - Short introduction to singularity
  - Singularity vs. Docker
- 4. Miscellaneous & Bonus (if you're good ©)

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# 2 Playing with docker Because nothing beats the command line

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## Warm up

- Check if docker works:
  - docker info
  - docker run hello-world
- If it fails...
  - Check if docker is installed (docker-ce package)
    - docs.docker.com/install/linux/docker-ce/debian/
  - Check if your user is in the docker group: groups | grep docker
  - If not:
    - Add yourself in: sudo gpasswd -a \$USER docker
    - Restart your session (terminal won't be enough)



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- Docker can access remote locations:
  - Docker Daemon:
    - Docker official registry: Docker Hub
    - Private registries
  - Docker CLI
    - Manage a remote daemon via TCP/TLS
    - Manage a Docker Swarm



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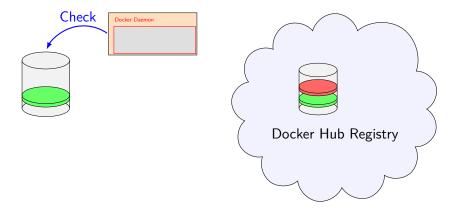
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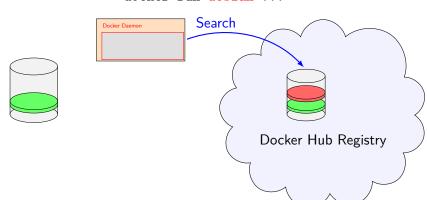
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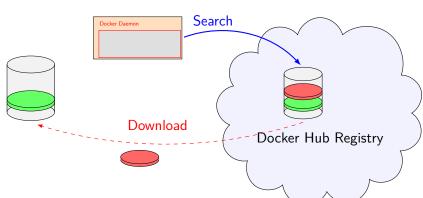
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  - -f stops the container if necessary



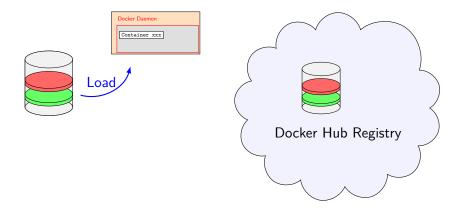
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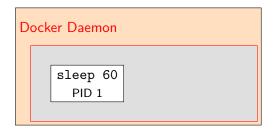


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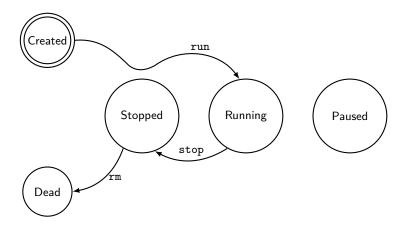
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- b docker exec -it MyContainer bash
  - Starts a new bash process in the container

Docker Daemon			
	sleep 60 PID 1	bash PID 7	

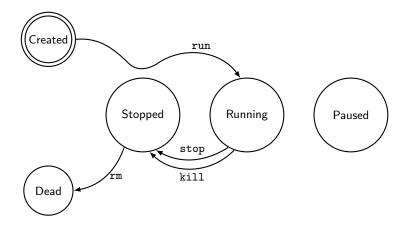
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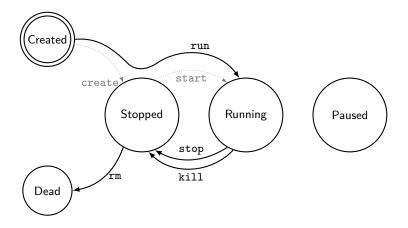


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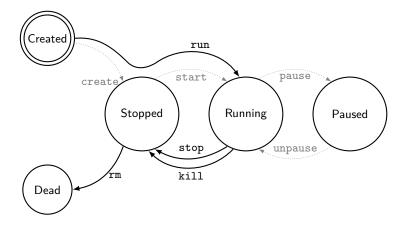
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#### A word on life cycle

- Container file system is set up before the initial state (created)
  - It is cleaned up when going to the Dead state (with rm)
  - It is persistent across stop/start/pause operations
- The kill command sends a SIGKILL to the contained executable
- When running without a TTY, signals aren't forwarded
  - They are handled by the docker command, not by the contained executable
  - A SIGINT will therefore end the container with a SIGKILL



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(Docker)	Press Ctrl+P Ctrl+Q	
Step 5	Keep track the Container ID:	
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> All in one: docker system prune



#### Last but not least

Step 21 Run a container and wait for it to finish: (Host)

```
CID1=$(docker run -d debian sleep 60)
CID2=$(docker run -d debian sleep 10)
docker wait $CID1 $CID2
```

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Let Docker download images in background (this can last some minutes)

docker pull python:3.7
docker pull registry:2
docker pull nginx
docker pull hyper/docker-registry-web

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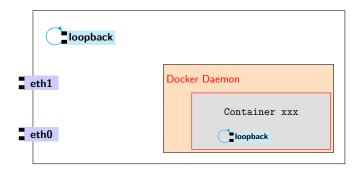
# 3 Basic interaction with the host Network & Files

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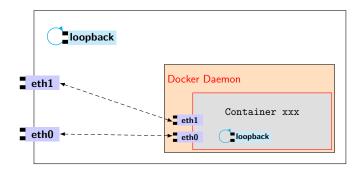
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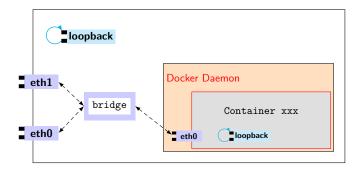
host Host's network interfaces





#### Docker default network configuration - bridge

bridge Virtual switch handled by Docker (default behavior)





#### Docker networks – all configurations

#### Kinds of networks:

none	No network stack but loopback	
host	Host's network interfaces	
bridge	Virtual switch handled by Docker	(default)
overlay	A bridge network across hosts	(Swarm only)

#### Custom networks:

- docker network create -d bridge my-net --subnet 10.0.5.0/24
- Only of type bridge, overlay or from a plugged-in type
- Multiple networks can be attached to a container

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  - docker run --rm -it --network none debian ip addr
    - Loopback only
    - No access to the outside world nor to the host



#### Publish a port: command line

- -p, --publish: gives access to a container port from the outside

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#### Publish a port: example

Run an nginx image: docker run --rm -it -p 8080:80 nginx

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#### Welcome to nginx!

If you see this page, the nginx web server is successfully installed and working. Further configuration is required.

For online documentation and support please refer to <u>nginx.org</u>. Commercial support is available at <u>nginx.com</u>.

Thank you for using nginx.

#### Figure: nginx is up & running



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- docker run -v /path ...
  - Creates a data volume for the /path folder
  - Volume will be kept even if the container is deleted
  - It will be visible in docker volume 1s
  - It can be mounted as a named volume on another container

# Docker volumes: example

On the host, in a new folder:

Create a simple HTML page: ./www/index.html

```
<html>
<body><h1>Hello World, from Docker</h1></body>
</html>
```

Create an nginx configuration: ./site.conf

```
server {
    listen 80;
    root /www;
    autoindex on;
}
```

Source files available on:

http://sed.inrialpes.fr/docker-tuto/index\_dockersingularity.html



#### Docker volumes: example

- Run the container with the following volumes:
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# Docker volumes: plug-ins

Docker can be extended with Volume Drivers

- Example: the NetShare.io plug-in
  - Plug-in to be installed separately; see http://netshare.containx.io/
  - Gives access to NFS & CIFS shared folders as volumes
- b docker volume create -d nfs --name shared-data \
   -o share=nfs-server:/shared/path
  - Creates a named volume with the NetShare driver
  - NetShare accepts fstab options as configuration

b docker run -v shared-data:/path ...



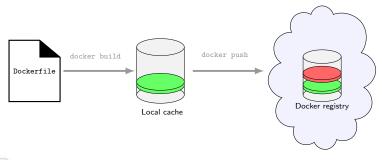
# **4** Create a Docker image Bring your own container



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# Principles

Dockerfile docker build Local cache docker push Docker registry File describing how the image is built Command line to build the Dockerfile Local image store Command line to send the image to a registry Image store (public or private)





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FROM python:3.7

Parent image Name: Python (official) Tag: 3.7



FROM python:3.7 LABEL maintainer="SED RA <sed-gra@inria.fr>"

Meta information

- Maintainer, version, ...
- Visible in docker inspect

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# Ensure a same environment ENV LANG=C.UTF-8 LC\_ALL=C.UTF-8 Environment variables

- Set for the whole container
- Can't reference current line

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RUN apt update && apt -y dist-upgrade && \ pip --no-cache-dir install jupyter Dependencies setup

- Update the system first
- Install only what's necessary
- Regroup install commands
- Clean up caches immediately

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RUN mkdir -p \$home && \
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 Only a new USER command can switch back to root

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# Set the default entry point & arguments ENTRYPOINT ["jupyter", "notebook", "--no-browser"] CMD ["--port=8888", "--ip='\*'", "--NotebookApp.token='']



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#### Run commands as user

 Set default program and arguments

Step 1 Download the Dockerfile: http://sed.inrialpes.fr/docker-tuto/docker/Dockerfile



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- Step 2 Build the image: docker build -t aubergiste .
  - tag (name) of the image
  - context: folder where to find files referenced in Dockerfile

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Step 3 Run it :

docker run --rm -it -p 8888:8888 aubergiste
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#### Dockerfile: Basic instructions

Description		
FROM	Parent image	
LABEL	Metadata to describe the image	
ARG	Variable to be given at build time	
Instructions		

#### Instructions

ENV	Sets environment variables
RUN	Executes shell commands
SHELL	Sets the shell executing RUN commands
WORKDIR	Sets the working directory

#### **Behavior**

ENTRYPOINT Sets the command line to execute (\$SHELL by default) CMD Sets the default arguments for the entry point

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#### Dockerfile: More instructions

Files	
COPY	Copies/Downloads a file to the image (recommended)
ADD	Copies/Downloads and auto-decompresses a file
VOLUME	Declares a folder as a data volume

#### Network

EXPOSE Declares ports to expose to other containers

#### User management

USER Switches to the given user. The user must have been creat with useradd

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- Stored in a Docker Registry
  - Either the official Docker Hub (hub.docker.com)
  - or a private instance of the registry image
  - or a compatible registry (Nexus plugin, ...)



Local cache: /var/lib/docker/<driver>

#### Available drivers:

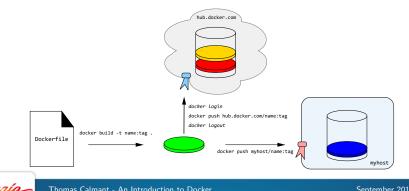
Overlay2Replaces AUFS on DebianAUFSHistoric, fallback on Debian flavorDevice MapperHistoric, default on Red Hat flavorBTRFSDefault on Suse, could replace Device MapperZFS"Not recommended [...] unless you have substantialexperience with ZFS on Linux"

Configuration:

storage-driver in /etc/docker/daemon.json

# Docker Registry: where images are found

- Official registry:
  - hub.docker.com
  - User authentication: docker login, docker logout
- Private registries, running the official registry image
- All registries must provide a signed certificate



### Setup a Docker registry

Step 1 Download the composition setup at:

http://sed.inrialpes.fr/docker-tuto/index\_dockersingularity.html

Step 2 Decompress the file and run the composition from the extracted folder: docker-compose up -d

(download can take a while)

Step 3 Wait for the server to come up: https://localhost



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Step 6 See the content of the local cache: docker images

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- Step 10 Stop the registry composition (from the composition folder): docker-compose down

#### What about docker commit?

- Principle: save the current state of a container as a image
- Some use cases:
  - when an application setup is interactive
  - when the setup comes from a volume
  - when the setup is large (10GB+)
- Usage:

docker commit \${CID} <image>:<tag>



## 5 Link containers together Unity makes strength



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#### Expose, Links & Networks

- Expose (Dockerfile or run argument)
  - Defines ports accessible by other containers, even without ICC
- Links (run argument, composition)
  - Indicates Docker that a container can communicate with another
  - Allows to give a network alias to access the container
- Networks
  - All containers of a network can communicate
  - No port restriction inside the network



### Compositions: Docker Compose

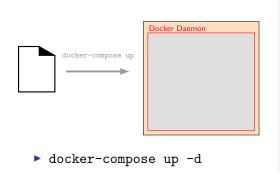
- A Python script to manage sets of containers
  - The standalone version is recommended, see https://docs.docker.com/compose/install
  - pip install docker-compose on recent OSes
- Same capabilities as the run command
- Compositions written in YAML format



Docker Daemon

version: "3"
services:
nginx:
image: nginx
ports:
- 443:443
links:
<ul> <li>registry:registry-srv</li> </ul>
volumes:
/nginx/:/etc/nginx/conf.d
registry:
<pre>image: registry:2</pre>
environment:
REGISTRY_STORAGE: /data
volumes:
/data:/data

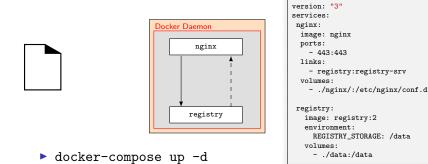
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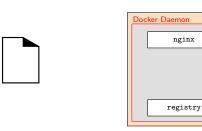
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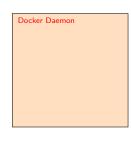


- docker-compose up -d
- docker-compose stop

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```
version: "3"
services:
nginx:
 image: nginx
 ports:
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  volumes
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     REGISTRY_STORAGE: /data
   volumes:
     - ./data:/data
```

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## docker-compose.yml

```
version: "3"
services:
 nginx:
  image: "nginx"
  ports:
    - "443:443"
  links:
    - registry:registry-srv
  volumes:
    - ./nginx/:/etc/nginx/conf.d
 registry:
```

image: "registry:2"

environment:

REGISTRY\_STORAGE\_FILESYSTEM\_ROOTDIRECTORY: /data volumes:

```
- ./data:/data
```

# 6 Security (kind of)





Il suffit d'enlever un seul cadenas pour pouvoir tout ouvrir.

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docker run --rm -it -v /:/mnt/host debian

#### User namespace remap

- All actions from the container are seen as subuser's ones
- Privileged mode is disabled
- Configure the daemon: /etc/docker/daemon.conf
  - Activate User Namespace Remap: userns-remap: default
- Or, with a given sub user:
  - The user must exist in /etc/passwd
  - Configure the daemon: userns-remap: bohort
  - Set the /etc/subuid: bohort:100000:65536
  - Set the /etc/subgid: bohort:100000:65536
  - Be careful not to overstep a real UID or GID



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## 7 A short introduction to singularity

Before it becomes a standard

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#### What is it?

- HPC-oriented "isolation"
- Based on a single image file to ease transfers
- Code is executed with user's rights
- Shares by default, constrains by arguments
- Aims to replace Virtual Machines, not Docker
  - Note that Docker and Singularity philosophies are opposite

#### Shares by default, you said?

By default, singularity will share a lot from the host:

- Current environment variables
- Your home directory
- Some system directories (/dev, /proc, /tmp, ...)
- This can lead to some tricky situations
  - Process crashing due to an invalid host-inherited environment variable
  - Installation right into your host home directory e.g. pip install --user -U setuptools
- Constraint arguments:
  - -e/--cleanenv Clean up environment variables
    - -c/--contain Use virtual folders (except part of /dev) Environment is not cleaned.
  - -C/--containall Both -e and -c, plus namespaces isolation



### Host sharing/isolation arguments

#### Networking:

Argument	Behaviour	Docker equivalent
default	Use host network	net=host
-n	No network (loopback only)	net=none

#### Mount points:

- -B /opt: mount host /opt as /opt in container
- -B /opt:/inner: mount host /opt as /inner in container
- Multiple shares at once: -B /etc/my-app,/opt:/inner

### Mount points - Home directory

The Home directory is treated with a specific argument:

- ▶ -H \$HOME/lower
  - Mounts \$HOME/lower as home folder
  - Path will be the same inside the container
  - Parent hierarchy won't be mounted.
- -H \$HOME/lower:/home/toto
  - Mounts \$HOME/lower as home folder
  - Makes it appear as /home/toto in the container

#### Container recipe

Single file (no default name) separated into multiple sections:

Header	
Bootstrap:	Kind of source image
	(docker, shub, debootstrap, busybox,)
From:	Name of the source image (content depends on Bootstrap)

Metadata	
%help	A help message on how to use the image
%labels	Labels to describe/tag the image

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#### Container recipe

#### Content Setup (executed with root rights)

%setup Script executed on the host
%files List of host files to copy inside the image

Container setup	
%environment	Environment variables in the container
%post	Commands executed to construct the image
	(inside a temporary container)
%runscript	Commands executed on singularity run
%test	Commands executed at the end of build to
	check the image



Bootstrap: docker From: python:3.7

Parent image

- From a Docker image
- python:3.7 (Docker official image)

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Bootstrap: docker From: python:3.7

%labels AUTHOR sed-gra@inria.fr Meta information

- Maintainer, version, ...
- Visible in singularity inspect

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Bootstrap: docker From: python:3.7

%labels AUTHOR sed-gra@inria.fr

%files run\_jupyter.sh /opt/run\_jupyter.sh Files to copy in the image

- Copies are done before running commands
- Files can be generated on host in the %setup section

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Bootstrap: docker From: python:3.7

%labels AUTHOR sed-gra@inria.fr

%files run\_jupyter.sh /opt/run\_jupyter.sh

%environment export LANG=C.UTF-8 export LC\_ALL=C.UTF-8 Environment variables

- In fact, a shell file sourced at start-up
- Don't forget to EXPORT them



### Container recipe – Notebook sample

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%post
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pip install jupyter

Commands executed in the image

 A shell file executed in a temporary folder

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apt update && apt -y dist-upgrade
pip install jupyter
chmod ugo+x /opt/run\_jupyter.sh

```
%runscript
mkdir -p $HOME/notebooks
/opt/run_jupyter.sh --notebook-dir=$HOME/notebooks --ip="*" --port 8888
```



Script to be sourced on

singularity run

### Container recipe – Apps

- Apps are a way to use the same image for multiple pre-defined usages
- Listed with singularity apps <img>
- Defined alongside base image sections
- Ran with singularity run --app <app> <img file>
  - singularity run jupyter.img
  - singularity run --app console jupyter.img
  - singularity run --app qtconsole jupyter.img

## Container recipe – Apps

### Application sections

%apphelp	Description of the application
%applabels	Metadata of the application
%appenv	Environment variables for the application
%appfiles	Host files to copy inside image
%appinstall	Commands executed inside the image
%apprun	Commands executed on runapp <app></app>

### No %appsetup section

- Use relative path when copying files for an app
- Access it using the \$SCIF\_APPROOT environment variable

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Container recipe – App Example

%appfiles console sample.conf

%appinstall console pip install readline

%apprun console
echo "Starting in console mode..."
cat \$SCIF\_APPROOT/sample.conf
jupyter console

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### Singularity Basic commands

Files available at

http://sed.inrialpes.fr/docker-tuto/index\_dockersingularity.html

# Build the image file
sudo singularity build jupyter.img Jupyter.singularity

### # Basic singularity run jupyter.img # Highly recommended singularity run -e jupyter.img # Run a shell in the image singularity shell -e jupyter.img # Run an app singularity run -e --app console jupyter.img



## Singularity Container images

- Singularity uses a single file as a container image
- Supported image formats:
  - SquashFS: the current default format
    - Read-only
  - ext3: the previous default format
    - Possible read-write mode
  - sandbox: based on a local directory instead of a single file
    - Writeable
    - Can be seen as a chroot directory
  - .tar, .tar.gz, .tar.bz2: a compressed sandbox
    - Read-only

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### Most visible differences

Singularity	Docker
No daemon (uses SUID)	Unique daemon per host
Share by default	Constrain by default
Processes run with user's rights	Processes run with inner rights
Sees host with user's rights	Sees host with root rights
Single file images	Multi-layer images
Targets shared computer	Targets service-hosting servers

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### Work with NVidia GPUs

- Requires the NVIDIA drivers to be installed on the host
- On Docker:
  - Official Open Source plugin from NVIDIA: github.com/NVIDIA/nvidia-docker
  - Install the nvidia-docker2 package
  - Run containers with the --runtime=nvidia argument
- On Singularity:
  - Support is included in Singularity (beta)
  - Add the --nv flag when starting the container



### Emulate Singularity with Docker

The following command is equivalent to: singularity shell docker://debian

```
docker run \
    -it --rm \
    --pid=host --ipc=host \
    --net=host --uts=host \
    -v /tmp:/tmp \
    -v /etc/passwd:/etc/passwd:ro \
    -v "$HOME": "$HOME" -w "$HOME" \setminus
    --user="$(id -u):$(id -g)" \
    --env-file=<(bash -c set) \
    --entrypoint "/bin/bash" \
    debian
```



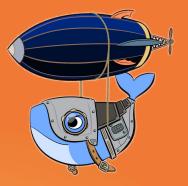
### Run Singularity inside Docker

- Because... why not?
- Dockerfile:
  - Debian + Backport repository + singularity-container
  - Executed with a new user
  - User can do sudo singularity without password
- Execution:

```
docker run -it --rm \
    --privileged \
    -v $(pwd):/src \
    singularity \
    sudo singularity build /src/out.img /src/Singularity
```



# **9** Miscellaneous



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## Singularity Image Registry

- Open Source registry available on GitHub https://github.com/singularityhub/sregistry
- Available as a Docker composition:
  - 1. git clone
    https://github.com/singularityhub/sregistry.git
  - cp shub/settings/dummy\_secrets.py shub/settings/secrets.py
  - 3. Edit secrets.py (at least the SECRET\_KEY variable)
  - 4. If necessary, edit shub/settings/config.py
  - 5. Run docker-compose up -d
  - 6. Registry is available at http://localhost



### Containers on ARM

- Both Docker & Singularity have packages for ARM
- Only works with arm images
  - Most are from armhf on the Docker Hub
  - https://hub.docker.com/u/armhf/
- Sample Docker usage on a Raspberry Pi:
  - http://blog.alexellis.io/ getting-started-with-docker-on-raspberry-pi/

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### Docker on Windows

- Requires Windows 10 Pro or Windows Server 2016
  - ▶ with the "Containers" and "Hyper-V" features
- Two base images are available (in multiple versions):
  - microsoft/windowsservercore
  - microsoft/nanoserver (for 64 bits apps only)
- Many images now have a Windows version
  - Python, Node.js, ...

```
docker info:
```

```
[...]
Server Version: 18.06.1-ce
Storage Driver: windowsfilter
Default Isolation: hyperv
Kernel Version: 10.0 17134 (17134.1.amd64fre.rs4_release.180410-1804)
Docker Root Dir: C:\ProgramData\Docker
[...]
```

## Thanks for your attention

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# **10** Bonus slides There's always more

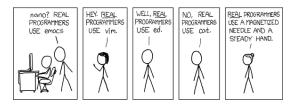
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### A word about rkt

- Started in 2014 to "fix" some Docker flaws
- Aims security (versus usability)
  - No central root daemon
- Compatible with the OpenContainer specification
  - ... so with Docker images

Same conflict as "vim vs. emacs" or "etcd vs. consul"



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### Why not unlocking security?



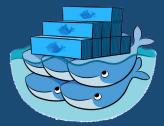
Inside the container:

nsenter --mount=/host/proc/1/ns/mnt -- /bin/bash

### Some snippets

- ► A posteriori port forwarding:
  - docker exec <CID> ip addr | grep 172.
  - ▶ iptables -t nat -A DOCKER -p tcp --dport 9000
    - -j DNAT --to-destination <CIP>:8080

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# **11** <u>Scale</u> up with Swarm



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### What is Docker Swarm ?

- Docker on a multi-host cluster
  - Based on overlay networks (linking local bridge networks)

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Docker on a multi-host cluster

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- Adds the concept of *service*
  - Containers replicated or not on multiple machines
  - Restarted automatically
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- Based on overlay networks (linking local bridge networks)
- Adds the concept of service
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  - Restarted automatically
  - Migrated on host failure
- At least one manager, no limit on workers
  - Managers act like workers
  - All nodes keep track of the Swarm state: the Swarm can fully restart if at least one node stays alive
  - swarm commands can only be run on managers



### Setup a Swarm

- On the first manager host (swarm leader):
  - docker swarm init
  - b docker swarm join-token manager
  - b docker swarm join-token worker
- On other hosts (swarm nodes):
  - docker swarm join --token SWMTKN-...\
    <manager-IP>:2377

### Nodes Handling

Nodes inspection:

- docker node ls
- b docker node inspect <node>
- docker node ps <node>
- docker node rm <node>

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- Node mode switch:
  - b docker node promote <node>
  - b docker node demote <node>

### Define a service

- Similar capabilities as the run command
- Useful commands:
  - docker service create ...
  - docker service ls
  - b docker service ps <service>
  - b docker service rm <service>

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- Useful commands:
  - docker service create ...
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  - b docker service ps <service>
  - docker service rm <service>
- Sample:

docker service create --name postgres \
 --env POSTGRES\_PASSWORD="toto" \
 --env POSTGRES\_USER=hive \
 --env POSTGRES\_DB=metastore \
 postgres:9.5



### Docker Swarm: Stacks

```
    Compatible with docker-compose V3 files
    With some limitations: no links (mandatory use of networks)
    And some new capabilities: deploy configuration
```

docker deploy --compose-file ./hdfs\_stack.yml hdfs

```
version: '3'
                                               constraints:
services:
                                                 - node.hostname == realhost
  namenode:
    image: registry/hdfs-namenode
                                         datanode:
    env_file: ./hadoop.env
                                           image: registry/hdfs-datanode
                                           env_file: ./hadoop.env
    environment:
                                           networks.
      CLUSTER_NAME: tyrex
    ports:
                                             - tls-net
      - "8020:8020"
                                           volumes:
      - "50070:50070"
                                             - /local/datanode:/dfs/data
    networks:
                                           deploy:
      - tls-net
                                             mode: global
    volumes:
      - /local/namenode:/dfs/name
                                       networks:
    deploy:
                                         tls-net:
                                           external: true
      placement:
```