Getting started with containers

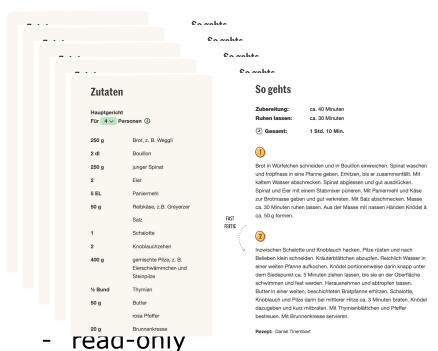
Managing containers and images

Two important concepts

Image



Container



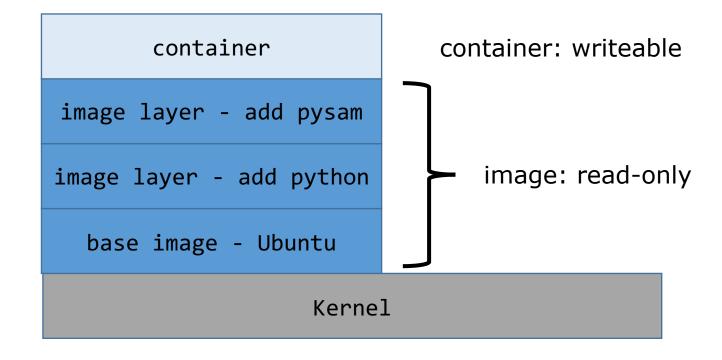
- stored on longer term
- can be used as a base



- based on the image
- short-lived
- usually only minor adjustments

The concept of layers

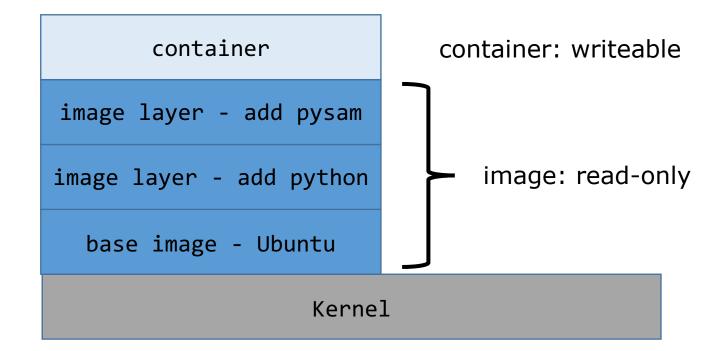




Creating an image



- From a Dockerfile
- From a container: docker commit (not reproducible)

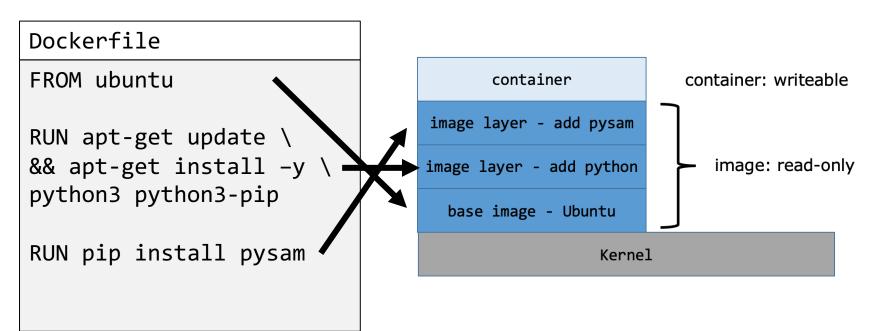


Quiz question 6

Dockerfiles



- Set of instructions on how to add layers to an image
- Build with docker build



The docker engine



- Manages in a daemon process:
 - images
 - containers
- Layers are efficiently handled:
 - caching
 - re-use
- User interaction **not** through files -> through the CLI

The docker engine



Interaction through **command line interface** (or GUI), e.g:

docker image ls

REPOSITORY	TAG	IMAGE ID	CREATED	SIZE
lecture_basic	latest	44465faa1426	43 hours ago	515MB
<pre>geertvangeest/adv_singlecell_2022</pre>	latest	fc616eb35cf6	2 days ago	2.97GB
own_script	latest	35ee5b2f74c1	2 days ago	1.04GB
<pre>geertvangeest/ngs-variants-jupyter</pre>	2022.3	c3d451753035	2 weeks ago	3.54GB

docker container ls

CONTAINER ID	IMAGE	COMMAND	CREATED	STATUS	PORTS	NAMES	
6420ae80cc6c	ubuntu	bash	6 seconds ago	Up 5 second	S	blissful	tharp

Sharing an image



- docker hub (open to the world)
 - Command: docker push
 - Alternatives: quay.io, gitlab and github container repositories, AWS/Google cloud/Azure ...
- command docker save
- Dockerfile

Question 7

3 frequently used features

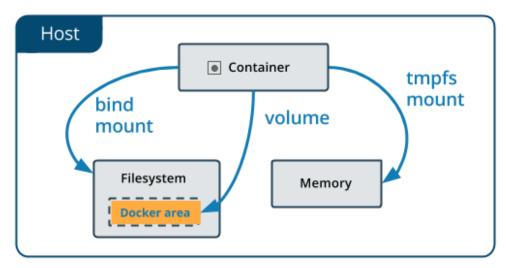


- 1. Mounting directories
- 2. Managing identities
- 3. Mapping ports

Mounting

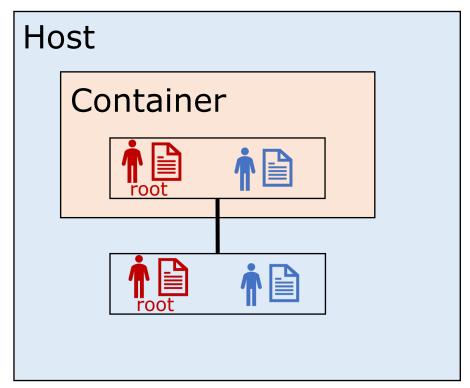


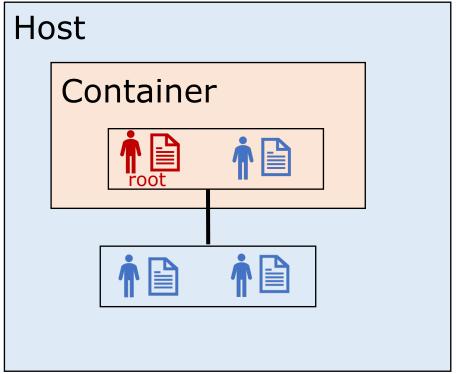
- Bind-mount: Make a directory on the host available to the container
- Volume: Disk space reserved and managed by docker (isolated)



Identity







Linux

Other systems

docker run -u "\$(id -u):\$(id -g)"

Mapping ports



- Processes that display browser content:
 - Jupyter
 - Rstudio server
 - Any other web server
- These are published at [IP]:[PORT], so e.g: 127.0.0.1:8000
- Forward the port from the container to port on the host: docker run -p 80:8000
- Meaning: publish port 8000 in the container at port 80 on the host

Exercises

- Re-attaching to an exited container
- Creating an image with docker commit
- Non-interactive run
- Removing a container
- Pushing to docker hub
- Mounting a directory
- Managing permissions