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Introduction

With each release of Windows Server, more and more features are added or modified that makes knowing the product inside and out more and more difficult. The 70-743 exam “Upgrading your skills to Windows Server 2016” is for administrators that have previously achieved the MCSA certification for Windows Server 2008, or Windows Server 2012, and plan to achieve the latest certification offering.

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CHAPTER 4

Implement Windows Containers

In this chapter we cover how to use containers to host virtualized images on a server. Containers are supported on both Windows Server and Hyper-V, however, the way they act and respond are slightly different. Containers can be isolated to ensure they operate independently of any other container or host that they are running on. In the first section of this chapter, we cover the basic process to deploy containers and go through the basic management aspects for containers.

Skills in this chapter:
- Deploy Windows Containers
- Manage Windows Containers

Skill 4.1: Deploy Windows Containers

In this section we outline the basics for deploying containers on either Windows Server, Nano Server, or Hyper-V. We also detail how to change the Docker daemon configuration for startup, and detail specifics for images, such as tagging.

This section covers how to:
- Determine installation requirements and appropriate scenarios for Windows Containers
- Install and configure Windows Server container host in physical or virtualized environments
- Install and configure Windows Server container host to Windows Server Core or Nano Server in a physical or virtualized environment
- Install Docker on Windows Server and Nano Server
- Configure Docker daemon start-up options
- Install a base operating system
- Tag an image
- Uninstall an operating system image
- Create Windows Server containers
- Create Hyper-V containers
Determine installation requirements and appropriate scenarios for Windows Containers

Windows Containers is a new feature that is only available on Windows Server 2016, Nano Server, and Windows 10 Professional and Enterprise Anniversary Update editions. If you plan on using Hyper-V containers, then the Hyper-V role must also be installed on the computer or server. To use Windows Containers, the operating system must be installed as the C drive. If you plan to only use Hyper-V containers, then the operating system can be installed on any drive.

From a physical aspect, Windows Containers with Hyper-V requires nested virtualization. Nested virtualization has the following requirements:

- At least 4 GB of RAM for the Hyper-V host
- A processes that uses Intel VT-x

Also, the container host VM must have at least two virtual processors and dynamic memory must be disabled. As of this writing, Windows Server 2016 offers two container images: Server Core and Nano Server. If the host operating system is a Nano Server, then only the Nano Server image is available.

Install and configure containers

For the purpose of preparing for the exam, we’ve combined two of the listed skills:

- Install and configure Windows Server container host in physical or virtualized environments
- Install and configure Windows Server container host to Windows Server Core or Nano Server in a physical or virtualized environment

For either host’s operating system, whether it is physical or virtual, containers is listed as a Windows Feature. For servers with a GUI, it can be installed from the Add Roles and Features wizard. Containers can also be installed by using Windows PowerShell by using the Install-WindowsFeature cmdlet. For example:

Figure 4-1 shows installing the Containers feature by using the Install-WindowsFeature cmdlet.

![Figure 4-1 Install-WindowsFeature](image)
Install-WindowsFeature Containers

If you’re using Nano Server, you must first install the Nano Server Package, and then install the Container Feature. For example:

Install-PackageProvider NanoServerPackage
Install-NanoServerPackage -Name Microsoft-NanoServer-Containers-Package

Install Docker on Windows Server and Nano Server

To manage containers on either Windows Server 2016 or Nano Server, you must also install the Docker service. Most all Docker installation and configuration options have both a PowerShell cmdlet or a Docker command line option. To install Docker on Windows Server 2016, it must be downloaded from the Docker website. You can do this manually, or by using PowerShell. For example:

Figure 4-2 shows downloading and configuring the environment for the docker service to run.

![Figure 4-2 Obtaining docker](image)

Invoke-WebRequest "https://aka.ms/tp5/b/dockerd" -OutFile "$env:TEMP\docker-1.12.0.zip" -UseBasicParsing
Expand-Archive -Path "$env:TEMP\docker-1.12.0.zip" -DestinationPath $env:ProgramFiles

[Environment]::SetEnvironmentVariable("Path", $env:Path + ";C:\Program Files\Docker", [EnvironmentVariableTarget]::Machine)

& $env:ProgramFiles\docker\dockerd.exe --register-service
Start-Service Docker

docker tag windowsservercore:10.0.14300.1000 windowsservercore:latest

**NOTE**

The Invoke-WebRequest command in this example specifically uses Technical Preview 5, which was available at the time of writing. Locate the latest version that is available by using the Docker website before using this command in a lab environment.
After the installation is complete, run the `docker info` command. A portion of the output is shown in Figure 4-3.

![FIGURE 4-3 Docker info](image)

The above example is broken down like this:

1. First, the Docker engine and client is downloaded from the Docker website.
2. Then, the code extracts the compressed folder into the Program Files directory.
3. The path is set as a system variable, and the service is created and started.
4. Finally, the Docker image must be tagged with the version “latest.”

For installing Docker on Nano Server, the same overall process must be followed. However, Nano Server does not currently support the Invoke-WebRequest cmdlet. Therefore, you must manually download the Docker files and copy them to the Nano Server operating system. From there you can set the environment variable, create the service, and then start the service. For Nano Server, you must also enable the FPS-SMB-In-TCP firewall rule. For example:

```powershell
Set-NetFirewallRule -Name FPS-SMB-In-TCP -Enabled True
```

### Configure Docker daemon start-up options

Docker is configured by using a daemon.json file, which is located in the installation path of the directory. When using Docker on Windows Server 2016, only a subset of the configuration options is available. When creating the JSON file, only the necessary configuration changes need to be included in the file. For example, to configure the Docker Engine to accept connections on port 2375, add the following to the daemon.json file:

```json
{
    "hosts": ["tcp://0.0.0.0:2375"]
}
```

You can also configure Docker by using the `sc config` command. When using `sc config`, you are modifying the Docker Engine configuration flags directly on the Docker service. For example:
Figure 4-4 shows running the `sc` command to modify the docker service.

```
sc config docker binpath= "\C:\Program Files\docker\dockerd.exe" --run-service -H tcp://0.0.0.0:2375"
```

**FIGURE 4-4** Service configuration

### Install a base operating system

Before you can deploy a container, you must download a base operating system image. The procedure is the same whether you plan to manage Server Core or Nano Server base images. Obtaining the image is accomplished by running two PowerShell cmdlets: `Install-PackageProvider`, and `Install-ContainerImage`. For example:

```
Install-PackageProvider ContainerImage -Force
Install ContainerImage -Name WindowsServerCore
```

This process might take a few minutes because it downloads the Server Core container image. After installing the image, you need to restart the Docker service. For example:

```
Restart-Service Docker
```

You can also use the `docker` command to download the base image. For example:

```
docker pull microsoft/windowsservercore
```

After downloading the images, you can also view the downloaded images with the `docker` command. For example:

```
docker images
```
Figure 4-5 shows the results of downloading the images and how they are displayed after being downloaded.

![Command Prompt image](image)

**FIGURE 4-5** Obtaining images

### Tag an image

When you download an image into the repository, you must also assign a tag to the image. Tagging an image enables you to set a version on the image, which is useful if you plan to have multiple versions. Microsoft suggests after downloading an image, to tag it at the “latest.” For example:

```bash
docker tag windowsservercore:10.0.14300.1000 windowsservercore:latest
```

The Docker tag can contain upper and lowercase characters, digits, underscores, periods, and dashes. However, the tag cannot start with a period or dash, and can be up to 128 characters.

**NEED MORE REVIEW? DOCKER TAG**

For more information on using the Docker tag, visit [https://docs.docker.com/engine/reference/commandline/tag/](https://docs.docker.com/engine/reference/commandline/tag/).

### Uninstall an operating system image

As we have mentioned, most actions when using Docker can be completed by using PowerShell or the Docker daemon. To uninstall a container image from the repository, use the Uninstall-ContainerOSImage cmdlet. For example:

```powershell
Uninstall-ContainerOSImage - FullName CN=Microsoft_NanoServer_10.0.14304.1003
```
Create Windows Server containers

You can deploy a container by using the Docker daemon. One of the first tasks you might need to do is view a list of the available container images. For example, the following command returns a list of available Microsoft images:

```bash
docker search Microsoft
```

A portion of the output is included for reference:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>NAME</th>
<th>DESCRIPTION</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>microsoft/aspnet</td>
<td>ASP.NET is an open source server-side Web ...</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>microsoft/dotnet</td>
<td>Official images for working with .NET Core...</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>mono</td>
<td>Mono is an open source implementation of M...</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>microsoft/azure-cli</td>
<td>Docker image for Microsoft Azure Command L...</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>microsoft/iis</td>
<td>Internet Information Services (IIS) instal...</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Therefore, if you want to use the ASP.NET image, use the Docker daemon to pull the image:

```bash
docker pull microsoft/aspnet
```

Create Hyper-V containers

Windows Server containers and Hyper-V containers are created and managed, and are functionally identical. Both types of containers also use the same container images. The difference between a Windows Server container and a Hyper-V container is the level of isolation that is present to the host, or other containers on that host. The first difference is that when creating the container, specify the `--isolation=hyperv` parameter.

```bash
docker run -it --isolation=hyperv nanoserver cmd
```

To demonstrate the isolation of a Hyper-V container, assume that a Windows Server container has been deployed. You start a running ping on the container.

```bash
docker run -d windowsservercore ping localhost -t
```

If you use the docker daemon, you can view the task thread that is running the ping.

```bash
docker top windowsservercore
```

```
4369 ping
```

In this example, the process ID within the container is 4369. Within the container, you can also view the thread.

```bash
get-process -Name ping
```
The following output is returned:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Handles</th>
<th>NPM(K)</th>
<th>PM(K)</th>
<th>WS(K)</th>
<th>VM(M)</th>
<th>CPU(s)</th>
<th>Id</th>
<th>SI</th>
<th>ProcessName</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>67</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>820</td>
<td>3836</td>
<td>...71</td>
<td>0.03</td>
<td>4369</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>PING</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

If you follow the same process when using a Hyper-V container, you receive a different end result. You can create and view the process from the host, using the Docker daemon.

docker run -d --isolation=hyperv nanoserver ping -t localhost

docker top nanoserver

2371 ping

However, the difference is when trying to view the process on the container host.

Get-process -Name ping

Get-Process : Cannot find a process with the name "ping". Verify the process name and call the cmdlet again.

At line:1 char:1

+ Get-Process -Name ping

+ ~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~

  + CategoryInfo : ObjectNotFound: (ping:String) [Get-Process], ProcessCommandException


The difference is in the process name. By using a Hyper-V container, the process is run by the vmwp process. The vmwp process is the virtual machine process on the host, and is protecting the process from the host operating system.

Get-Process -Name vmwp

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Handles</th>
<th>NPM(K)</th>
<th>PM(K)</th>
<th>WS(K)</th>
<th>VM(M)</th>
<th>CPU(s)</th>
<th>Id</th>
<th>SI</th>
<th>ProcessName</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1737</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>39452</td>
<td>19620</td>
<td>...61</td>
<td>5.55</td>
<td>2376</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>vmwp</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Skill 4.2: Manage Windows Containers

In this section, we outline how to manage containers after they have been deployed. This includes using the Docker daemon to manage images, as well as using Windows PowerShell. We also cover configuring port mapping and networking options for use with Windows Containers.

This section covers how to:
- Manage Windows or Linux containers using the Docker daemon
- Manage Windows or Linux containers using Windows PowerShell
- Manage container networking
- Manage container data volumes
- Manage Resource Control
- Create new container images using Dockerfile
- Manage container images using DockerHub repository for public and private scenarios
- Manage container images using Microsoft Azure

Manage Windows or Linux containers using the Docker daemon

After you have downloaded the image type that you plan to use, you can use the daemon to identify the images that have been downloaded.

docker images

The following output is returned:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>REPOSITORY</th>
<th>TAG</th>
<th>IMAGE ID</th>
<th>CREATED</th>
<th>SIZE</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>microsoft/aspnet</td>
<td>latest</td>
<td>accd044753c1</td>
<td>11 days ago</td>
<td>7.907 GB</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

You can also deploy a container by using the Docker daemon.

docker run -d -p 80:80 microsoft/iis ping -t localhost

Creating a new image can be performed by using the Docker daemon with the commit parameter.

docker commit 475059caef8f windowsservercoreiis
Removing an image is performed by using the Docker daemon with the `rmi` parameter. However, if any other container depends on the image that you are trying to remove, the command fails. The `rmi` parameter accepts either the image name or the ID of the image.

```bash
docker rmi windowsservercoreiis
```

To view the list of dependencies with Docker, use the `history` parameter.

```bash
docker history windowsservercoreiis
```

The following output is returned:

```
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>IMAGE</th>
<th>CREATED</th>
<th>CREATED BY</th>
<th>SIZE</th>
<th>COMMENT</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>2236b49aaaef</td>
<td>3 minutes ago</td>
<td>cmd</td>
<td>171.2 MB</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6801d964fda5</td>
<td>2 weeks ago</td>
<td></td>
<td>0 B</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
```

**Manage Windows or Linux containers using Windows PowerShell**

As of this writing, the PowerShell for Docker module is in development. The team writing the module has adopted the Microsoft Open Source Code of Conduct, and welcomes contributions to the project in the form of bugs, suggestions, proposals, and pull requests through the Github repository. The project is available on Github here: [https://github.com/Microsoft/Docker-PowerShell/](https://github.com/Microsoft/Docker-PowerShell/).

The PowerShell module for Docker is simply an alternative to the Docker daemon. You can use the module as a replacement for, or in conjunction with, the Docker daemon. The PowerShell module can target any operating system that is running the Docker engine on both Windows and Linux.

To compile the project, you need to obtain the .NET Core SDK, and the .NET SDKs for versions 4.5 and 4.6. The Docker endpoint that you are planning to connect to must support the API version 1.24.

The latest release version of Docker can also be downloaded from GitHub here: [https://github.com/Microsoft/Docker-PowerShell/releases](https://github.com/Microsoft/Docker-PowerShell/releases). Download and extract the compressed folder, and then use the `Import-Module` cmdlet, pointing to the extracted folder. This makes the Docker cmdlets available on the computer.
Manage container networking

Container networks are similar to virtual networks through Hyper-V. Each container has a virtual network adapter that is connected to a virtual switch. To force isolation between containers that are running on the same host, compartments are created for each container. A Windows Server host uses Host vNICs to attach to the virtual, while Hyper-V containers use a synthetic VM NIC to attach to the virtual switch.

Containers support four different networking modes:

- **Network Address Translation (NAT)** Each container receives an IP address from a private address pool. Port forwarding or mapping can be configured to transmit data from the host to the container.

- **Transparent** Each container endpoint has a direct connection to the physical network that the host is using. The IP address range that is being used on the physical network can be used on the container either as a static address or dynamically assigned.

- **L2 Bridge** Each container endpoint is in the same subnet as the host that is running it. The container IP address is assigned statically from the same prefix as the host. All container endpoints on the host use the same MAC address.

- **L2 Tunnel** This mode should only be used in a Microsoft Cloud Stack.

By default, the Docker engine creates an NAT network when the Docker service runs for the first time. The default network that is used is 172.16.0.0/12. You can customize the network prefix used by modifying the daemon.json configuration file. The endpoints in the container are attached to this network and assigned an IP address from the private network. Table 4-1 outlines connections for a single-host environment.

### Table 4-1 Single host connection types

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Single host</th>
<th>Container to container</th>
<th>Container to external</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>NAT</td>
<td>Connects using Hyper-V Virtual Switch</td>
<td>Routed through WinNAT with address translation</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Transparent</td>
<td>Connects using Hyper-V Virtual Switch</td>
<td>Direct access to physical network</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>L2 Bridge</td>
<td>Connects through Hyper-V Virtual Switch</td>
<td>Access to physical network by using MAC address translation</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Additionally, Table 4-2 outlines the connections for a multi-host environment.
TABLE 4-2 Multi-host connection types

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Multi-host</th>
<th>container to Container</th>
<th>Container to external</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>NAT</td>
<td>References external container host IP and port, routed through WinNAT with translations</td>
<td>References external container host IP and port, routed through WinNAT with translations</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Transparent</td>
<td>Directly references container IP endpoint</td>
<td>Direct access to physical network</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>L2 Bridge</td>
<td>Directly references container IP endpoint</td>
<td>Access to physical network by using MAC address translation</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

NAT networks

By default, when an endpoint is created, it connects to the NAT network. To specify the network that a container should attach to, use the --network parameter.

```
docker run -it --network=NatNetwork <image>
```

To access any applications that run within a container, you need to map the ports from the host to the endpoint.

```
docker run -it -p 80:80 <image>
docker run -it -p 8082:80 windowsservercore cmd
```

The first command creates a port map between TCP port 80 on the host to TCP port 80 of the container endpoint. The second command uses port 8082 on the host, and forwards it to port 80 of the endpoint.

**EXAM TIP**

Port mapping must either be configured when the endpoint is created, or when the endpoint is in a STOPPED state. You cannot modify container port mapping while the endpoint is running.

Transparent networks

To use a transparent network, you must first create the network.

```
docker network create -d transparent TransparentNetwork
```

If the container host is virtualized, and you need to use DHCP for the IP address assignment, then you must also use MAC address spoofing on the VM network adapter. Without MAC address spoofing, the Hyper-V host blocks the network traffic from the containers in the VM with identical MAC addresses.

```
Get-VMNetworkAdapter -VMName ContainerHost | Set-VMNetworkAdapter -MacAddressSpoofing On
```
L2 Bridge networks

To use a L2 Bridge network, you must create a container network that uses the driver named l2bridge. The subnet and gateway for the network must also be specified when creating the object.

docker network create -d l2bridge --subnet=10.10.0.0/16 --gateway=10.10.0.1

EXAM TIP
When using an L2 Bridge network type, only static IP addresses are supported.

Options for all network types

You can use the Docker daemon to list the available networks.

docker network ls

The following output is returned:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>NETWORK ID</th>
<th>NAME</th>
<th>DRIVER</th>
<th>SCOPE</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>0a297065f06a</td>
<td>nat</td>
<td>nat</td>
<td>local</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>d42516aa0250</td>
<td>none</td>
<td>null</td>
<td>local</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

To remove a network, use the network rm parameter.

docker network rm "nat"

Figure 4-6 displays the networks on a docker host.

![Listing networks](image)

FIGURE 4-6 Listing networks
Manage container data volumes

Data volumes are storage locations that are visible to both the container host and the container endpoint. The data that is in the volume can be shared between the two systems, as well as with other containers on the same host. Creating a new volume is part of the run parameter with the Docker daemon.

```
docker run -it -v C:\volume1 windowsservercore cmd
```

By default, new data volumes are created in C:\ProgramData\Docker\Volumes on the container host. In the command, the C:\Volume1 indicates that the volume is be accessible within the container endpoint at that path.

After you have created a volume, to mount it to a different container, specify the source and destination paths using the same parameters:

```
docker run -it -v C:\source:C:\destination windowsservercore cmd
```

You can also pass-through a single file from the container host to the endpoint. The syntax is basically the same as specifying an existing volume.

```
docker run -it -v C:\container-share\config.ini windowsservercore cmd
```

Similarly, you can also mount a full drive from the container host to the endpoint. Note that when mounting a full drive, a backslash is not included with the drive letter.

```
docker run -it -v D: windowsservercore cmd
```

Finally, data volumes can be inherited from other endpoints using the `--volumes-from` switch in the run parameter. This is useful if the applications in multiple containers are sharing the same data.

```
docker run -it --volumes-from Volume1 windowsservercore cmd
```

Manage resource control

Docker includes the ability to manage the CPU, disk IO, network, and memory consumption that an endpoint consumes. This ensures that you are able to manage the container host resources efficiently, as well as ensuring that you maximize the performance of all services running on a host.

By default, the CPU is divided equally among all endpoints running on a container host. To change the share that an endpoint has, use the `--cpu-shares` switch with the run parameter. The `--cpushares` parameter accepts a value between 1 and 10000. The default weight of all endpoints is 5,000.

```
docker run -it --cpu-shares 2 --name dockerdemo windowsservercore cmd
```
Create new container images using Dockerfile

You can use Docker to automatically build images by reading the instructions that are placed in a Dockerfile. A Dockerfile is a text document that lists the commands that you would use in the CLI to create an image manually. After creating the Dockerfile, use the `build` parameter with the Docker daemon to automatically create the image.

```
docker build -f C:\Dockerfile .
```

The Docker daemon commits each line of the file one by one before outputting the image ID of for the endpoint that you have created.

Manage container images using Docker Hub repository for public and private scenarios

The Docker Hub is a repository that contains pre-built images. These images can be downloaded onto a host and used in a development or production environment. These images can also be used as a base for Windows container applications. To retrieve a list of the available images in the Docker Hub, use the search parameter with the Docker daemon:

```
docker search *
```

The following output is returned:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>NAME</th>
<th>DESCRIPTION</th>
<th>STARS</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>OFFICIAL AUTOMATED</td>
<td>NAME</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>microsoft/sample-django</td>
<td>Django installed in a Windows Server Core ...</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>[OK]</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>microsoft/dotnet35</td>
<td>.NET 3.5 Runtime installed in a Windows Server ...</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>[OK]</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>microsoft/sample-golang</td>
<td>Go Programming</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>...</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Downloading an image from the Docker Hub is the same as retrieving a base image. Use the `pull` parameter with the Docker daemon:

docker pull microsoft/aspnet

The following output is returned:

Using default tag: latest

latest: Pulling from microsoft/aspnet

f9e8a4cc8f6c: Pull complete

b71a5b8be5a2: Download complete

After downloading the image, it is available when viewing the images through the Docker daemon.

docker images

The following output is returned:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>REPOSITORY</th>
<th>TAG</th>
<th>IMAGE ID</th>
<th>CREATED</th>
<th>VIRTUAL SIZE</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>microsoft/aspnet</td>
<td>latest</td>
<td>b3842ee505e5</td>
<td>5 hours ago</td>
<td>101.7 MB</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

To upload an image to the Docker Hub, use the `push` parameter with the Docker daemon. First, you must login with your Docker ID to access the Hub.

docker login

The following output is returned:

Login with your Docker ID to push and pull images from Docker Hub. If you don't have a Docker ID, head over to https://hub.docker.com to create one.

Username: username

Password:
Login Succeeded

docker push username/containername

The push refers to a repository [docker.io/username/containername]

4341be770beb: Pushed
fed398573696: Pushed
latest: digest: sha256:ae3a2971628c04d5df32c3bbbfc87c477bb814d5e73e2787900da13228676c4f
size: 2410

Manage container images using Microsoft Azure

You can use Docker on Microsoft Azure a few different ways:

- Deploy container hosts using the Docker Machine Azure driver
- Use the Docker VM Extension on Azure VMs
- Use the Docker VM Extension with Docker Compose
- Deploy a Docker Swarm cluster on Azure Container Services

The Azure Docker VM Extension installs and configures the Docker daemon, client, and Docker Compose on a Linux VM in Azure. This enables you to define and deploy container applications using Docker Compose and Docker Machine.

Combine the extension with the Azure Resource Manager, and you can create and deploy templates for almost all aspects of your Azure environment.

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Chapter summary

- The basics of using containers to run virtualized images.
- How to install Docker on Windows Server and Nano Server
- How to configure the start-up options for the Docker daemon
- Performing a base operating system install
- Tagging an image for use with containers
- Creating containers for both Windows Server and Hyper-V
- Managing containers using the Docker daemon and Windows PowerShell
- Creating NAT, Transparent, and L2 Bridge networks for containers
- Creating and managing data volumes for use by multiple container endpoints
- Managing container host resources using Resource Control
- Automating the build process for an image using Dockerfile
- Using the Azure VM Extension with Docker

Thought Experiment

A company is testing containers and images in their development environment. They have installed the Docker engine on a Windows Server host, and deployed a base image connected to the default network. The company would like the images to connect directly to the physical network. They also plan to automate the creation of future images and store them in the Docker Hub.

Using this information, answer the following questions:

1. What should be modified to configure the Docker daemon startup options?
2. Which network is the image that has been deployed connected to?
3. What type of network must the company create to achieve the goal?
4. What type of file does the Dockerfile need to be?
5. Which Docker daemon command is used to store images in the Docker Hub repository?
Thought Experiment Answers

1. The JSON configuration file should be created or modified to change the startup options of the Docker daemon.
2. By default, images connect to a default NAT network.
3. A transparent network must be created to enable the images to connect directly to the physical network.
4. The Dockerfile script is a plain-text file that contains the actions to create an image.
5. The `docker push` command uploads the specified image to the Docker Hub after logging into the service.
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