

Packaging for Mageia Linux with Docker containers

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Introducing myself

- Software engineering and Unices since 1988:
 - Mostly Configuration Management Systems (CMS), Build systems, quality tools, on multiple commercial Unix systems
 - Discovered Open Source & Linux (OSL) & made first contributions in 1993
 - Full time on OSL since 1995
- Currently:
 - OSL Technology **Strategist** , Grenoble, France
 - FLOSSITA board chair
 - POSS conference, OpenStack.fr, AFUL **previous board member**.
 - Conferences at WW level at LinuxCon, Linux.conf.au, Fosdem, ...
 - MondoRescue, Project-Builder.org, python-redfish, UUWL and PUSK Project Lead
 - LinuxCOE, mrepo, tellico, rinse, fossology, collectl, Ironic contributor
 - FOSSBazaar/SPDX and OSL Governance enthusiast
 - Mandriva, Mageia packager
- And also:
 - Amateur singer (Alto / Tenor), recorder player since 1976 and Choir director since 1987, CD collector (6000+), Concerts,
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Some reminders

Bare-Metal vs VM vs Container



What is Docker value-add ?

Run applications in a neutral, lightweight and portable way

- **Bundle:** Everything packed together for a new delivery model
- **Approch:** One process == One container
- **Layers**: Images (ro) & containers (rw) using a union FS
- **Registry**: public/private registry of shared images
- Dockerfile: descriptive build of an image
- **Volumes**: loopback mounting host FS into container
- **Ports**: expose container services port to the host
- **Portable**: created once, run everywhere (on a given OS)
- **Composition:** Simple YAML files
-) HA: Swarm and/or K8s

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Management: REST API/CLI





Solomon Hykes, Docker « creator ».

A layered approach



1 application + its deps == 1 container

J Images

- Local or remote reference content to initiate a container
- Multiple images can be layered adding content at each time using Copy on Write FS
 - Cache to speed up repeated operations

- Containers
 - Last layer providing rw access to the cumulated set of images



Why building distribution packages with Containers vs VMs?

Containers like VMs bring isolation

- No pollution of your running environment
- Easily scratch and redo if problems
- Easier refinement & automation of the build environment with the Docker file

Containers like VMs bring multi-distribution support

- Easy to build for another distribution than yours
- Useful also for your own distro: not everybody uses an unstable distro

Containers can use natively your home directory

- Allow sharing of your package sources for local and in container build
- Allow sharing of your .rpmmacros, .rpmrc files, Mageia SSH keys (or Fedora certs)
- VMs are mandatory if you need a different kernel



Basic Docker workflow to build distribution packages





Building distribution images with a Dockerfile

```
mkdir -p $TMPDM
cd $TMPDM
MUID=`getent passwd $USER | cut -d: -f3`
MGID=`getent passwd $USER | cut -d: -f4`
# Build the Dockerfile
cat > Dockerfile << EOF
FROM mageiaofficial: $MGAVER
MAINTAINER bcornec@mageia.org
RUN urpmi.update -a -c -f
# Not useful if using mageiaofficial:$MGAVER
#RUN urpmi.removemedia -a
#RUN urpmi.addmedia --probe-hdlist --distrib mga $MGAMIRROR/$MGAVER/$MGAARCH
RUN urpmi --auto --auto-select --no-recommends
RUN urpmi --auto bm subversion mgarepo colordiff sudo
RUN useradd $USER -u $MUID -g $MGID -N -M -d $HOME
RUN echo "$USER ALL=(ALL) NOPASSWD:ALL" >> /etc/sudoers
RUN mkdir -p $HOME
WORKDIR $WORKDIR
USER $USER
CMD /bin/bash
EOF
fi
```



Running distribution containers with a Docker

Reference script: https://github.com/bcornec/mageia-docker/blob/master/run-mageia



Show Time !





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