

Lighthouse

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Topics

1. Docker
2. Lighthouse
3. Design
4. Testing and Quality Process

What is Docker?

“Docker is an open platform for developers and sysadmins to build, ship and run distributed applications”

- docker.com

Still confused? So were we.



Why use Docker?

Situation

- As a Release Manager for a distributed application, I want to ensure
 - Consistency - Developer computers aren't production servers
 - Stability - Nodes will fail in distributed applications
 - Modularity - Program dependencies and environments need to be isolated

The Solution

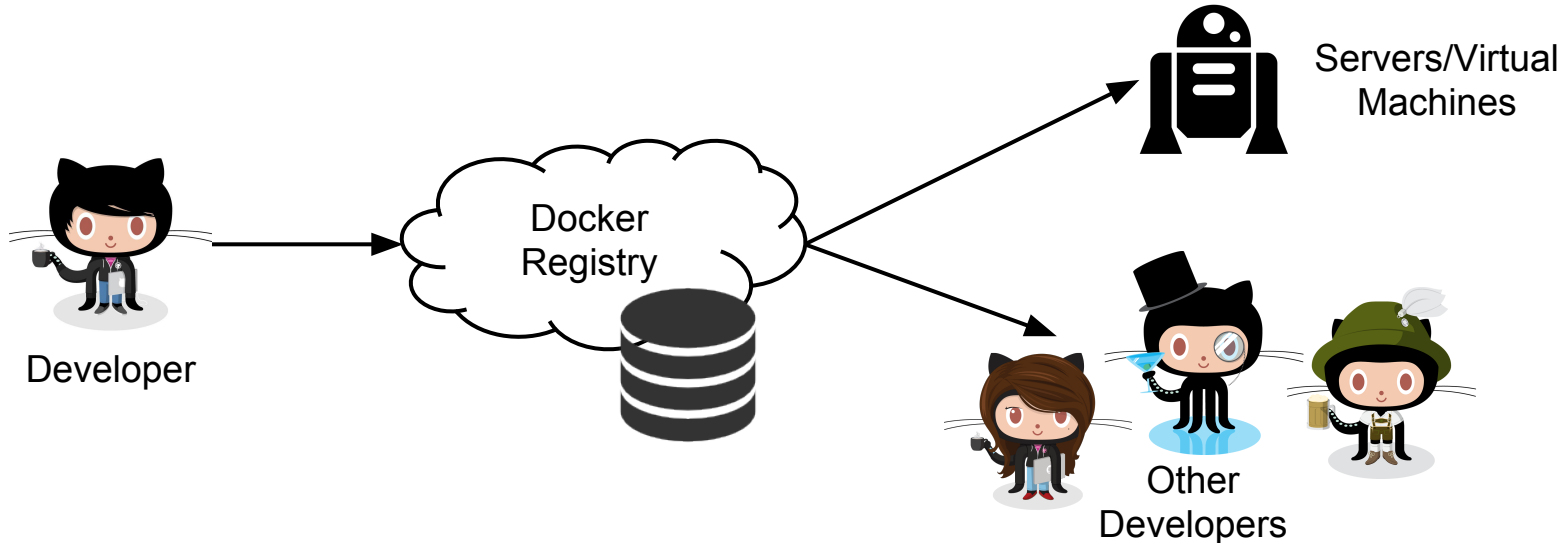
- Docker
 - Images ensure consistent environments and files
 - Containers ensure stability & runtime isolation



Docker Images

What

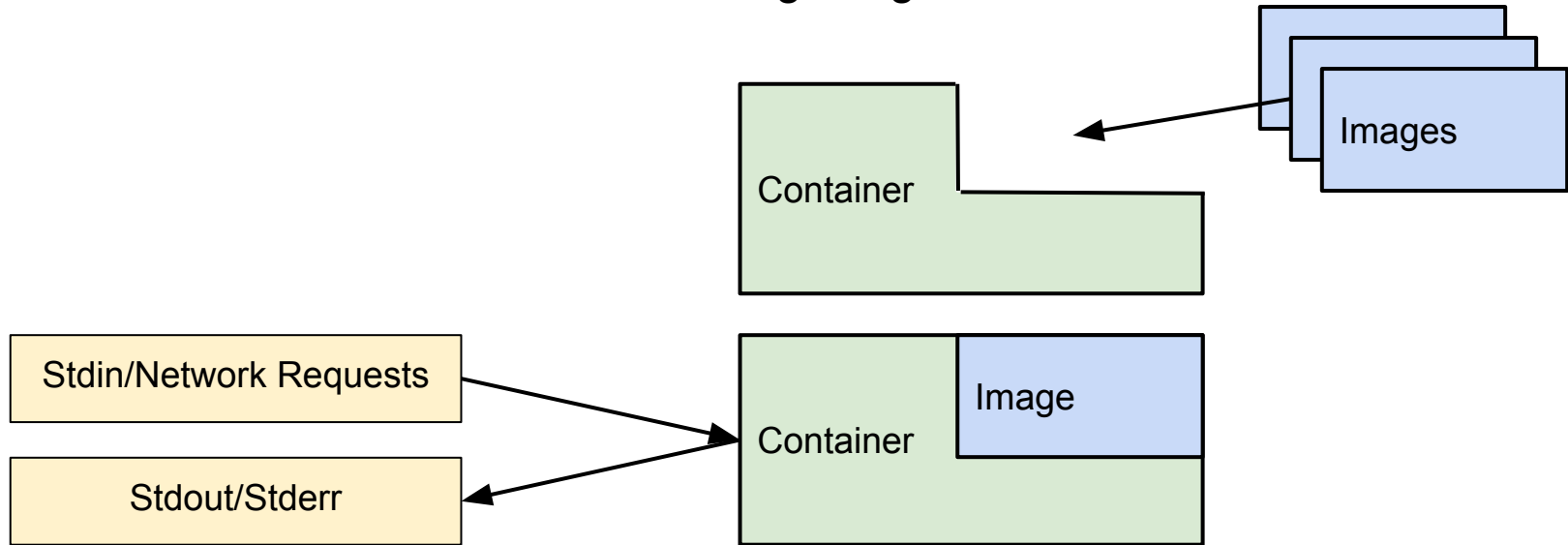
- An immutable snapshot of an operating system to share with other machines running docker.



Docker Containers

What

- A sandboxed instance of a running image.



Hello World, Docker

```
> docker pull debian
/* wait a sec to download 84.89 MBs */
> docker images
/* list of images */
> docker run -ti debian echo 'hello world'
hello world
> docker ps -a
/* list of containers */
```



Why use Lighthouse?

Docker is great, **but** I want to:

- Manage my application as a whole, not as individual Docker instances
- Utilize cloud providers like GCE or AWS to run my application
- Control who can change my application
- Do all of this through a user interface

The Solution

- A web-based tool for administrating hundreds of Docker programs across multiple networks



Lighthouse

Functional Requirements

Docker core functionality

- Container/image management

Lighthouse custom functionality

- Application level control - deployments, new versions, rollbacks
- Cloud provider interfacing

Application analysis

- Logs, history, usages, etc

User management



Non-Functional Requirements

Security

- Authenticated requests
- Authorized users

Extensibility and documentation

- Additional functionality should be straightforward
- Users should be able to create their own frontend

Low latency

- Early error detection in the pipeline



Market Survey

Related products

- Panamax - existed at conception
- Google Container Engine - November 4
- Rocket - December 1
- Docker Swarm - December 4

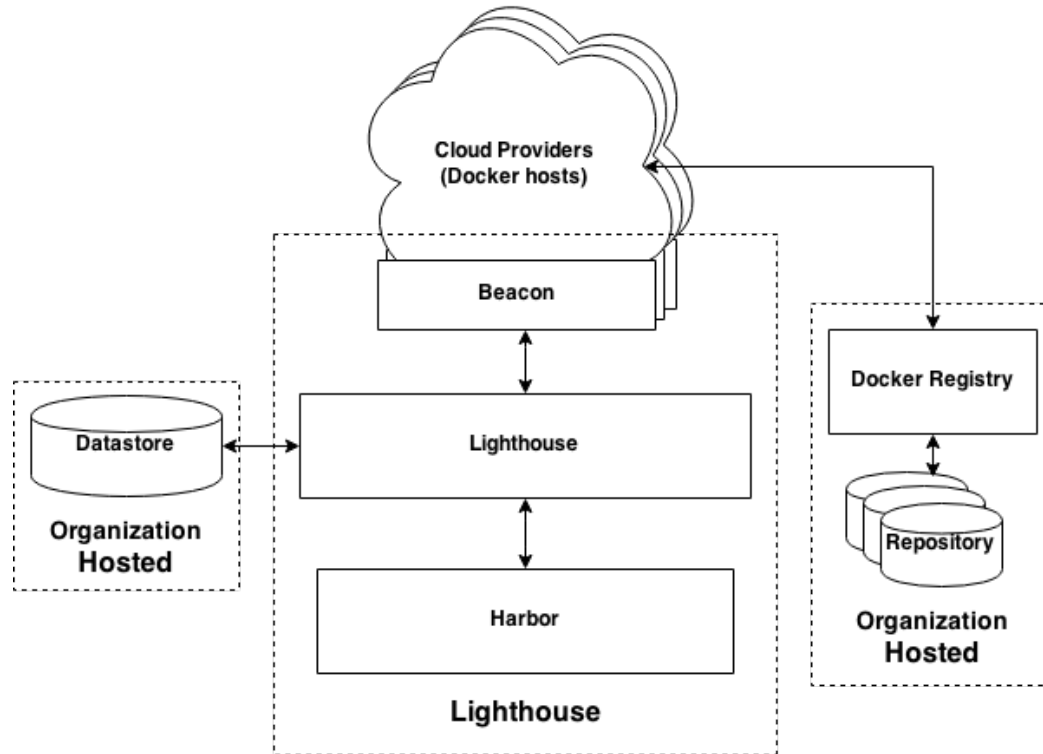
How Lighthouse sets itself apart

- More user control
- Enterprise-ready
- Self-hosted

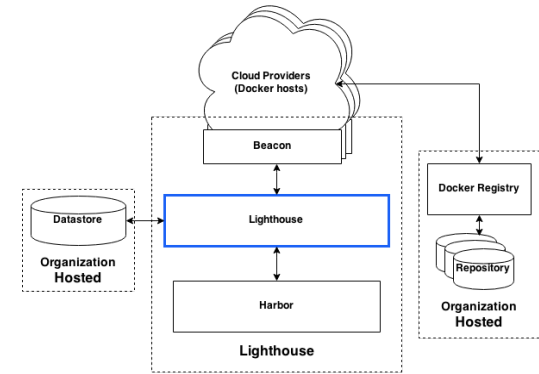
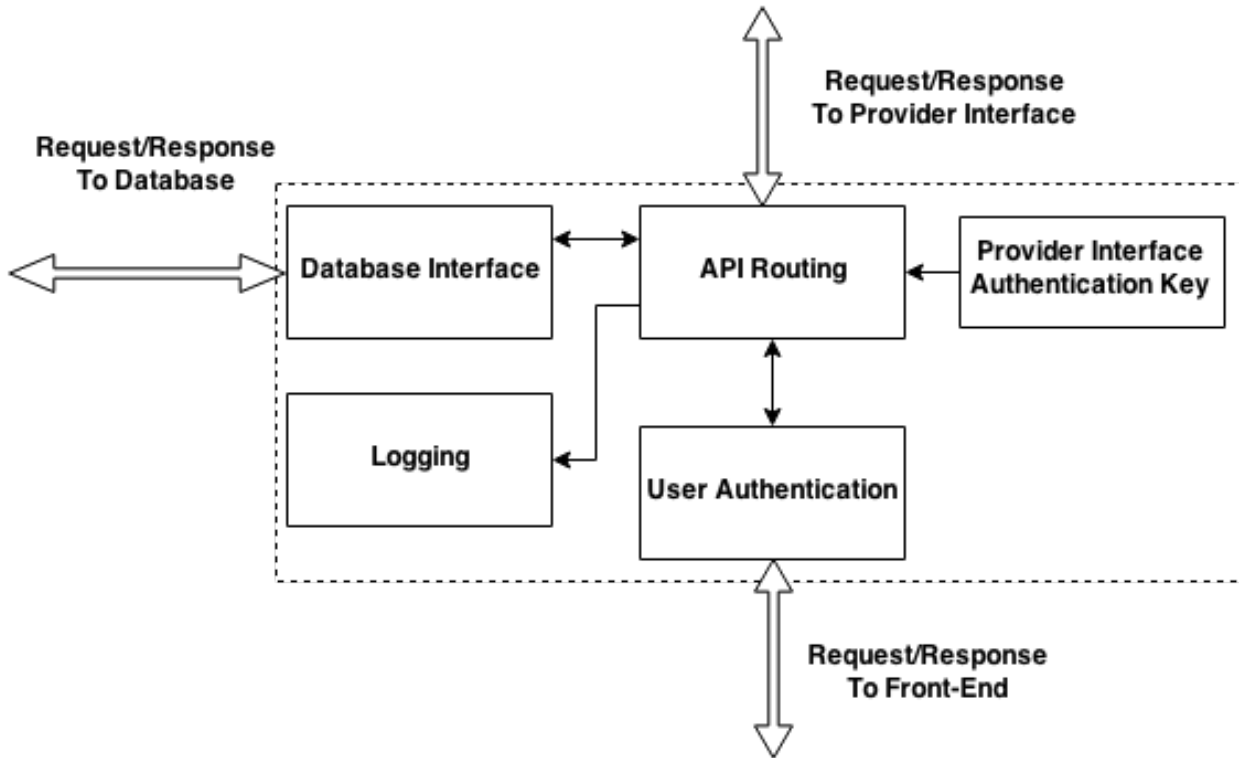


Design

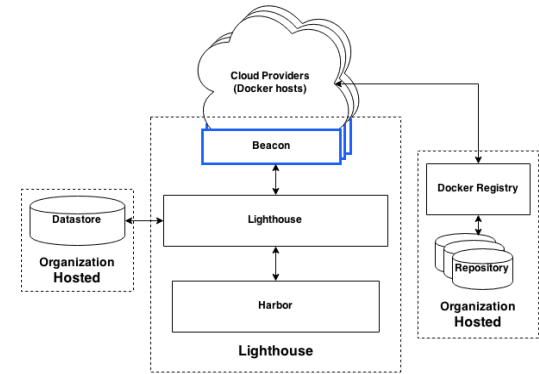
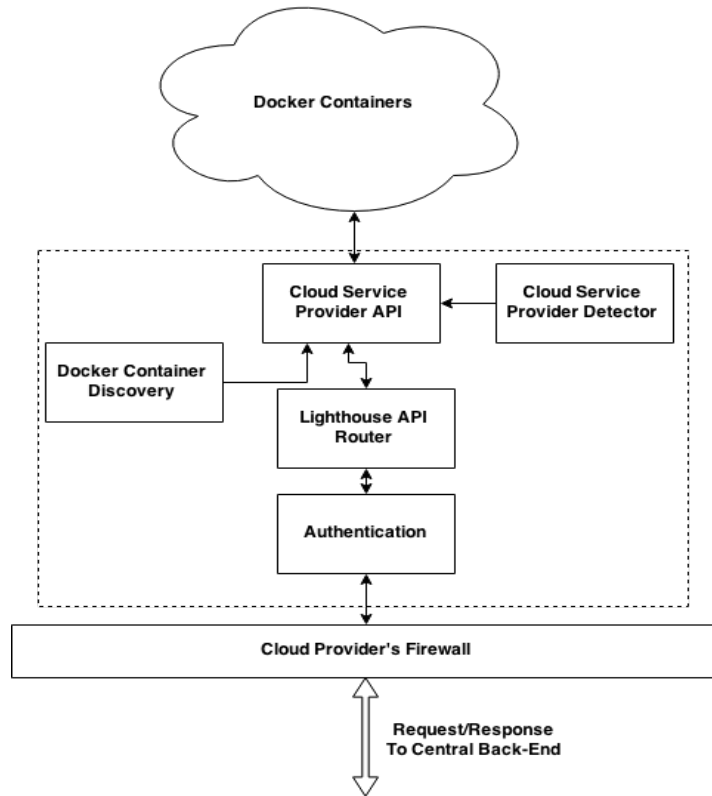
Design - System Diagram



Design - Lighthouse



Design - Beacon



Technical Issue - Why Beacons Exist

Situation

- As a member of IT/DevOps I want to quickly and efficiently expose my cluster of Docker VMs

Challenge

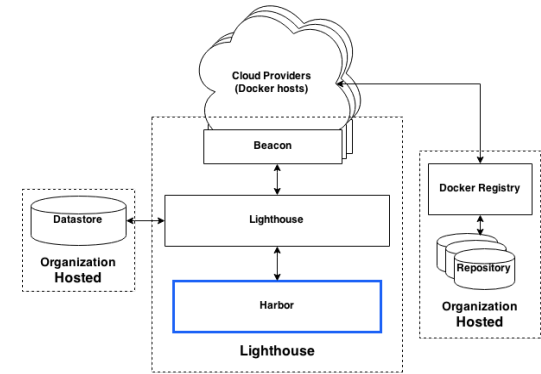
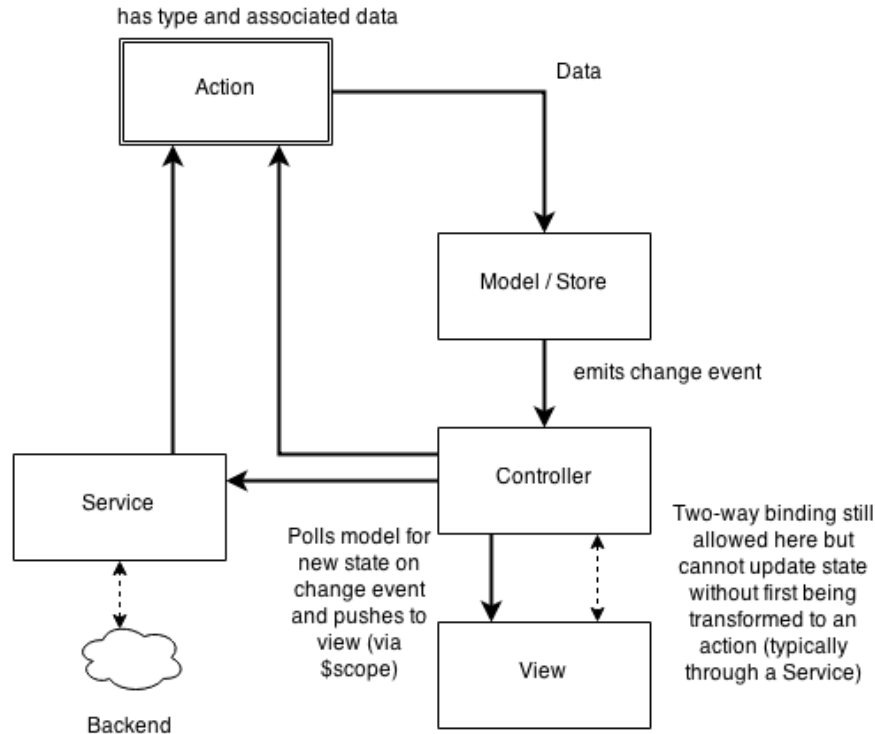
- Need a tool to discover VMs inside a cloud environment with little/no prior knowledge of Provider

Solution

- Create software “drivers” for detecting cloud environments
 - Probe Providers for existing/owned VMs with Docker
 - Establish basic API for Lighthouse
 - Create pluggable interface for future cloud providers



Design - Harbor



Technical Issue - Authentication

Situation

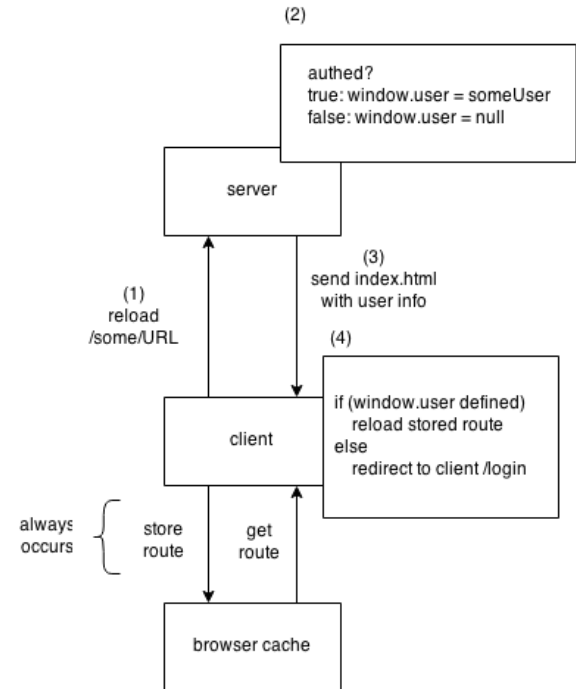
- As a user of Harbor I need to refresh my page or restart Lighthouse.

Challenge

- Harbor is a single-page application and uses client-side template rendering
 - Causes a problem with routing and authentication

Solution

- Generate a notification on the server to automatically inform the client of its auth status



Technical Issue - Streaming

Situation

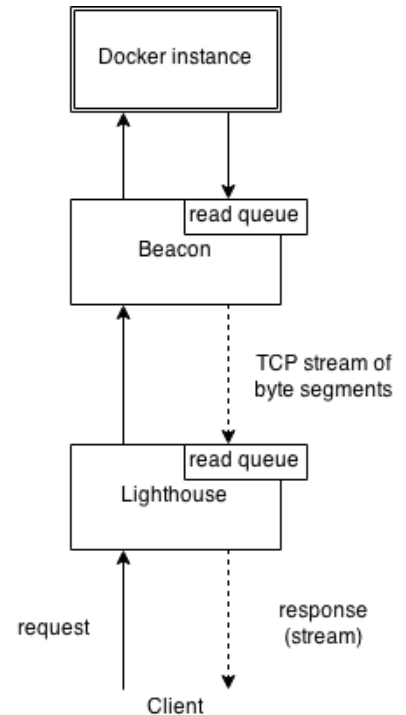
- As a user of Harbor, I want to be able to view stats, progress, and logs without manually refreshing.

Challenge:

- HTTP responses can be streamed, but there are 3 hops from Docker to Harbor which requires a lot of coordination

Solution:

- Stream all Docker responses from Beacon to Lighthouse and from Lighthouse to Harbor



Technical Issue - Application Streams

Situation

- As a release manager creating or updating a large application I want real time updates of the deployment status and concise errors.

Challenge

- Deployments perform many operations on potentially hundreds of instances
 - Need to consistent way to report statuses and operation updates

Solution

- A stream of well-defined status update objects
 - Operation updates wrap statuses of individual instances
 - Instances report successes, failures, warnings, etc.



Testing and Quality Process

Test-Driven Development in GitHub

GitHub tracks commits and discussion

- All pull requests go through code review

Travis-CI runs unit tests

- Build fails if any tests fail

Coveralls reports code coverage

- Build fails if coverage is too low

The screenshot displays a GitHub pull request for the repository `lighthouse/lighthouse`. At the top, a comment from user `cmbrose` (commented 3 days ago) asks for review and mentions being open to ideas for cleaner drivers. Below this, the commit history shows a merge with master and several test-related commits: `Added Reload() to tests`, `Added Init tests`, `Added default connection tests`, and `Removed error logs`. Each commit is associated with a commit hash and a green checkmark indicating it passed. A comment from `ngmiller` (commented 2 hours ago) shows a '+1' reaction. The CI status section at the bottom indicates that all checks are successful, including Travis CI builds and a Coveralls report showing a coverage increase to 84.62%. A green button at the bottom right allows for merging the pull request.

Testing Environment

Lighthouse, Beacon

- Golang packages
 - testing, testify
- Go fmt

Harbor

- PhantomJS “headless” browser
- Jasmine behavioral testing framework
- JSHint



Thank you



Beacon Management

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Beacons

+ ADD BEACON ▶ DEPLOY APP

local @ 127.0.0.1:5002

Name	Address	Docker Status
local.boot2docker	127.0.0.1:5001/v1.18	true

gce @ 146.148.80.171:5004

Name	Address	Docker Status
gce.production	10.240.178.252:2375/v1	false
gce.beacon	10.240.59.140:2375/v1	false
gce.registry-ricky	10.240.224.189:2375/v1	false
gce.sandbox	10.240.114.254:2375/v1.17	true

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Instance Management

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Beacons / local.boot2docker

local.boot2docker

Containers

Show all

CREATE

ID	Status	Image	Command	Created	Ports
959668883c		ubuntu:latest	sleep 30	a few seconds ago	[]
bf623787fd		ubuntu:latest	/bin/bash	a day ago	[]

Images

Show all

ADD

ID	Parent ID	Repo tags	Size	Virtual Size	Created	Actions
03119fe33f25	3d3f23a06077	postgres:latest	0	213931717	7 days ago	
cd45581f38c8	086277153bf9	<none><none>	66	113476809	7 days ago	
5ceada820a62	04eece945bc8	<none><none>	0	212659688	7 days ago	
6bb250483fa2	ea18d017f758	<none><none>	0	212130391	7 days ago	
5a1814e18a14	75299d60d9a9	<none><none>	0	211473646	7 days ago	
8d1506ab72af	8b7284f789e0	<none><none>	0	211004452	7 days ago	

Container Creation

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Instances / local.boot2docker / containers / create

Name
Names allow Lighthouse to track your application containers across multiple instances.

testing_container

Image
postgres:latest

Command
/bin/bash

Environment Variables

VAR=foobar X

Working Directory

CREATE

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Pulling Images

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Beacons / local.boot2docker / image / add

redis

redis Redis is an open source key-value store that functions as a data structure server.	<input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
tutum/redis Redis Docker image image – listens in port 6379. For the server password, either set REDIS_PASS environment variable or read the logs for a randomly generated one	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
torusware/speedus-redis Always updated official Redis docker image with Torusware Speedus Lite acceleration software	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
fedora/redis	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
sameersbn/redis	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
orchardup/redis https://github.com/orchardup/docker-redis	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Application Management

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Currently deployed applications

testapp (ID: 1) admin@gmail.com deployed with ID 5
Deployment ID: 5 2 days ago
Running ubuntu:latest
[Show recent deployments](#)

▶ START ■ STOP ↺ REVERT

↻ UPDATE

production (ID: 2) admin@gmail.com deployed with ID 6
Deployment ID: 6 5 hours ago
Running busybox:latest
[Show recent deployments](#)

▶ START ■ STOP ↺ REVERT

↻ UPDATE

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Deployment Updates

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✓ Updated testapp!

- Pulling required image → **POST** images/create?fromImage=ubuntu:latest
- Creating new container → **POST** containers/create?name=testapp_tmp
- Deleting old containers → **DELETE** containers/testapp?force=true
- Setting up new container → **POST** containers/testapp_tmp/rename?name=testapp

▶ Stream logs

OK!

Currently deployed applications

<p>testapp (ID: 1)</p> <p>Deployment ID: 5</p> <p>▶ START ■ STOP ↺ REVERT</p> <p>📄 UPDATE</p>	<p>admin@gmail.com deployed with ID 9</p> <p>5 hours ago</p> <p>Running ubuntu:latest</p> <p>Show recent deployments</p>
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User Management

The screenshot displays the Lighthouse user management interface. The main page shows the user profile for 'admin@gmail.com' with the role of 'Administrator' and beacon permissions for '127.0.0.1:5002' and '146.148.80.171'. A modal window titled 'Edit admin@gmail.com' is open, allowing for role and beacon permissions to be updated.

Lighthouse Applications Beacons Users Signed in as admin@gmail.com **SIGN OUT**

Users / admin@gmail.com

EDIT USER

Email admin@gmail.com
Role Administrator
Beacon Permissions 127.0.0.1:5002
146.148.80.171

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Edit admin@gmail.com

Role

- User
- Release Engineer
- Administrator

Password

Beacons

local: None Access Modify Owner

gce: None Access Modify Owner

CANCEL **SUBMIT**

Complex Usage

```
> docker run -ti debian:jessie /bin/bash
```

```
root@:12345/# apt-get update && apt-get install python
```

```
root@:12345/# echo "while True: print `foo`" > test.py
```

```
> docker commit 12345 foo
```

```
> docker run -d --name finn foo python test.py
```

```
> docker logs finn
```

```
/* a whole lot of foo */
```

```
> docker kill finn
```

```
> docker push foo
```

Technical Issue - Testing

Situation

- I'm a user of Lighthouse who runs important applications with Docker which use databases shared with Lighthouse.

Challenge

- Need to be confident Lighthouse works precisely as expected
 - Testing code that needs external services is difficult

Solution

- Services like external servers or databases can be mocked
 - Go has packages specifically for mocking servers
 - Databases have varying levels of abstraction

Milestones - Fall

August

- Start of project

September

- Created the Lighthouse organization on Github

October

- Proof of concept presented to Workiva

November

- Basic Docker functionality

Milestones - Spring

January

- Finalized architectures

February

- Authentication, Beacon integration, Container control

March

- Streaming, Container creation

April

- Application management, user management, container logs

Desired Additions

Support for multiple database drivers

Full-stack HTTPS support

Real-time network and resource usage