





# Smarter Storage with Containerized Applications

Always Aligned with your Changing World



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## Smarter Storage with Containerized Applications

- Converged Infrastructure
- Docker
- Docker + Zadara
- Use Cases and Example
- Conclusion



## Converged Infrastructure

## Definition:

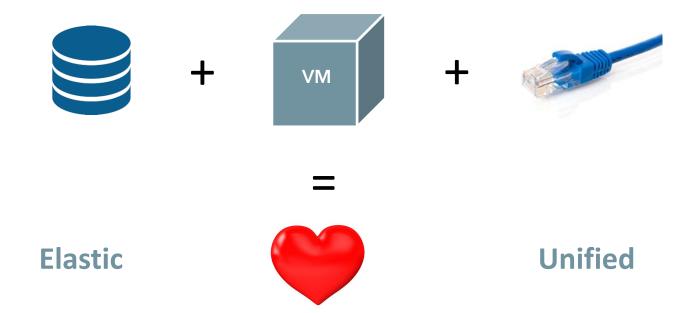
## (Hyper) Converged Infrastructure

Operates by grouping multiple information technology (IT) components into a single, optimized computing package.

-Wikipedia



## Convergence - Combining for ease of use





## Convergence - Can we do better?

Well we can definitely do different (and probably better too)!



## We need to solve the following



#### **Problem Solution**

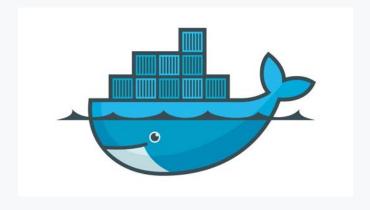
- **V** Portability!
- **✓** Scalable!
- **V** Uniformity!
- **▼** Efficient!

#### Problem

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- **✓** Scalable?
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- ✓ Efficient?



## Cue Docker!



## What is Docker?

**Docker** is a computer program that performs operating-system level virtualization also known as containerization.

-Wikipedia

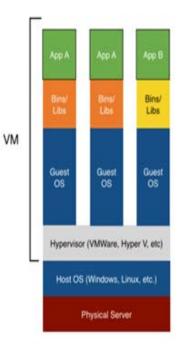


## Docker 101 - Architecture

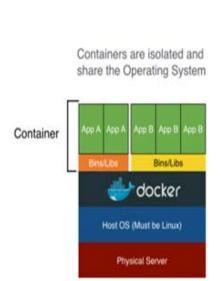
#### Container vs. VMs

#### Wait what about VM's!?!?!

Docker doesn't require Guest OS'es or a Hypervisor

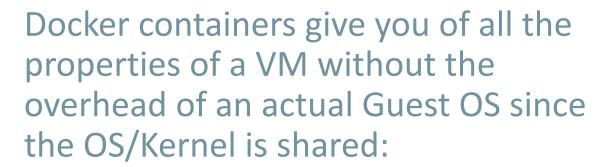






Container

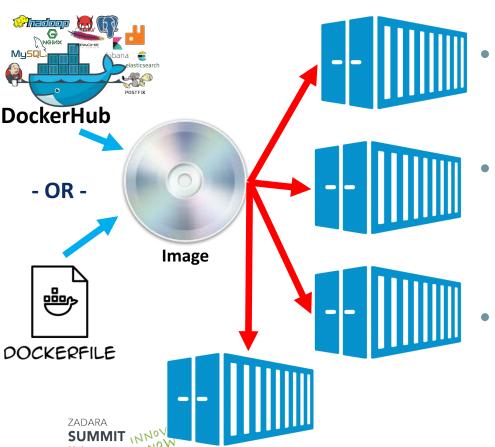




- **✓** Networking
- ✓ Independent File System
- **✓ Installed Dependencies**
- **✓ Storage Access**
- **✓ Virtual Storage**
- √ Cloning



## Docker 101 - How Does it Work?



- Create an Image or pull one from Docker hub
- Deploy as many containers your host or cluster of hosts can handle

 Exposed environmental variables for super quick deployment configuration

## Docker 101 - Common Design/Deploy Patterns

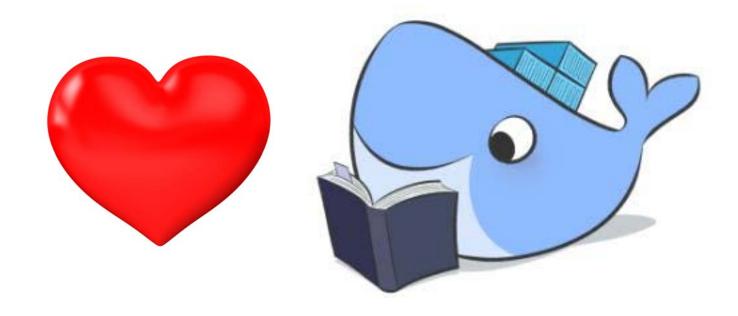
- De-couple! One container image per service
- Ephemeral! A container should be re-spawn-able at any time
- Build image as compact as possible (alpine 30x smaller than debian)
- Identical / uniform dev and production containers
- Scale up and down as needed
- Collect your Logs!





## We Love Docker!

## I think we'll adopt!





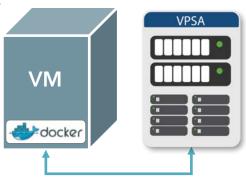
## Docker + Zadara (ZCS)





#### Zadara Container Services (ZCS)

#### Before:



- Docker Apps run on VM
- Network Latency

#### After:



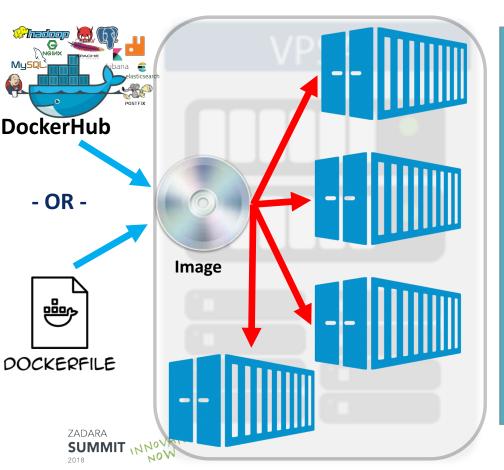
Upload your own image or pull from Docker hub Directly!!!

- Docker Apps run within VPSA
- Zero Latency, High throughput
- No transfer charges
- Automation
- Free up host CPU cycles

#### Run tasks within storage for high-performance

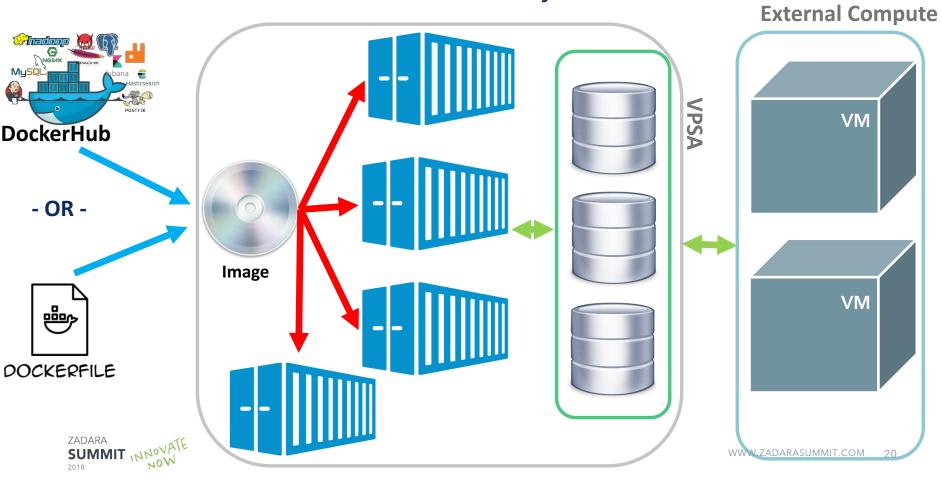


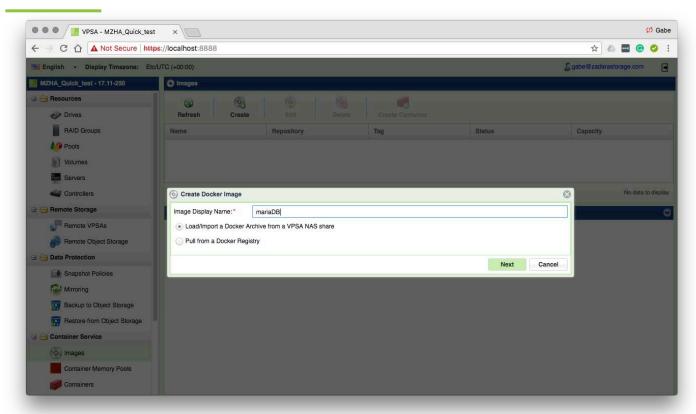
## ZCS - Docker overlay on VPSA



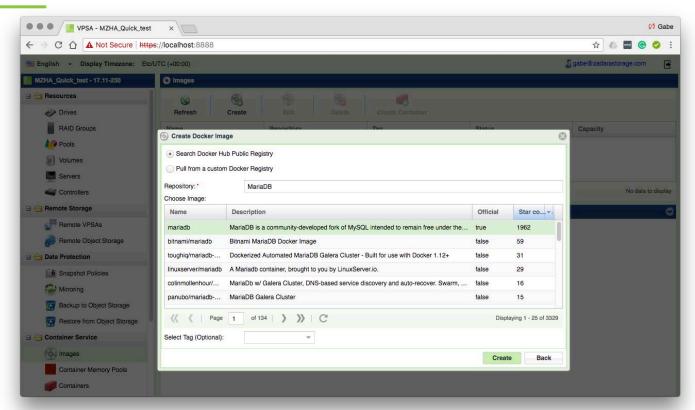
- Pull from DockerHub directly or upload your own Images!
- Deploy as many containers your ZCS Engine can handle, (increase engine as needed)
- All in GUI or orchestrate-able via the Zadara API
- Accesses same Zadara NAS shares available to traditional compute
- Offer services right out of the Array

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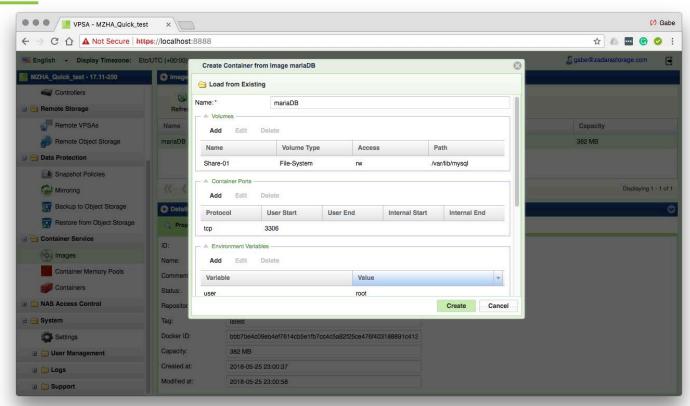




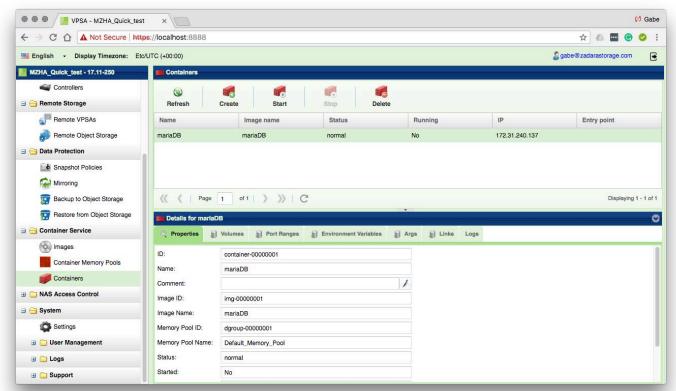














#### Zadara Container Services (ZCS) Uses



## Organize and Discover

- NAS Indexing / search / notifications
- Data Classification
- Low-latency OLTP tasks
- Hadoop / Map Reduce



#### Manipulate

- Transcoding / data transformation
- Compress



#### **Protect**

- Data governance / auditing of NAS share
- Secure file transfer
- Anti-virus scanning



#### Share

WebDAV/FTP server



## ZCS Use Cases and Examples

"We've got a container for that!"

## The nice things to notice about our ZCS





- Quick prototyping
- New/Special functionality
- Administrative tasking
- Hot fixing
- Uniform build and deployment
- Testing
- CI/CD ready





#### **Functional Requirement:**

**Customer Need, Feature Prototype** 



#### Clam AV

- **Problem**: Need a way to provide customers AV.
- Solution: Clam AV A mature antivirus solution that is designed to protect windows, linux and mac. Virus signatures are updated frequently by ClamAV. Can provide on-demand and manual scanning.
  - Results: Ability to provide on-demand scanning as well as manual scanning for really large quantities of files.



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## Zadara Capmon

- **Problem:** Need capacity monitoring for VPSA
- Solution: Still a work in progress, but created a Grafana and InfluxDB instances and provides a python script to permit volume metrics to be gleaned from a target VPSA.
- Results: Active capacity monitoring



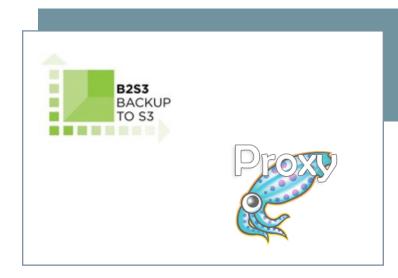


## Functional Requirement: Customer Need, Administrative



#### **B2O** Restore

- **Problem:** Need a quick universal restore tool.
- Solution: Zadara proprietary restore utility
  Dockerized. Mounts a volume which can access
  to object-store-based backups
  - **Results**: Customers get quick access to restores ease.

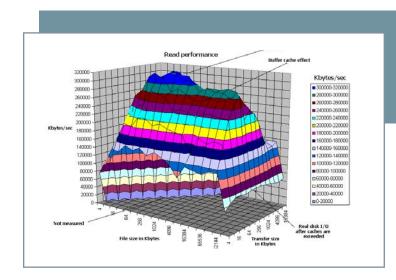


## Functional Requirement: Customer Need



## B2O Proxy

- **Problem:** Need to avoid going over public WAN to backup to AWS S3 in same region.
- Solution: Squid Proxy is a useful general purpose proxy built as Linux service.
- Results: Access for Zadara object storage to backup bypassing unnecessary charged ingress/egress activity and provides a good general NAT when needed.



## Functional Requirement:

Customer Need, Feature Prototype

#### 10 Zone

- **Problem**: Need for VPSA performance analytics.
- Solution: IOZone is a great utility to test IO performance and provide solid benchmarking.
- Results: Performance awareness tool also useful for debugging performance issues.





#### Functional Requirement:

**Customer Need** 



#### OwnCloud

- **Problem:** Need for cloud-based RBAC file access with client syncing and remote mounting.
- Solution: OwnCloud is a mature open source project that provides very tailorable file shares and access to CIFS shares and mounted storage.
- Results: Customer's users get on-demand access anywhere with a fully sync-able and remotemountable suite.



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Customer Need, Feature Prototype



## Zadara AutoExpander

- Problem: Need dynamic expansion for VPSA's. Very large global customer looking to simplify growth.
- Solution: Custom-built tool using Zadara API's to create growth elasticity at various thresholds as well as notifications.
- **Results:** Customer saves time and energy letting growth happen dynamically and being informed of the changes.

## Zadara Docker Reference

## https://github.com/zadarastorage/dockerfiles





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