

COMP.SE.140 – Docker-compose hand on

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Synopsis

The purpose of this exercise is to learn how to create a system of interworking services that started up and stopped together. This requires creation of your own Dockerfile and docker-compose.yml, and also creation the simple applications. The applications can be implemented in any programming language (shell script and HTML not allowed).

Learning goals

- Learn some hands on with Docker Compose. This is needed in the next steps of the course.
- Understand the runtime context of Docker containers, for instance networks and volumes.

Task definition

In this exercise we will build a simple system composed of two small services. The first service is exposed to outside world and the other is internal. Thus, the target is the following:

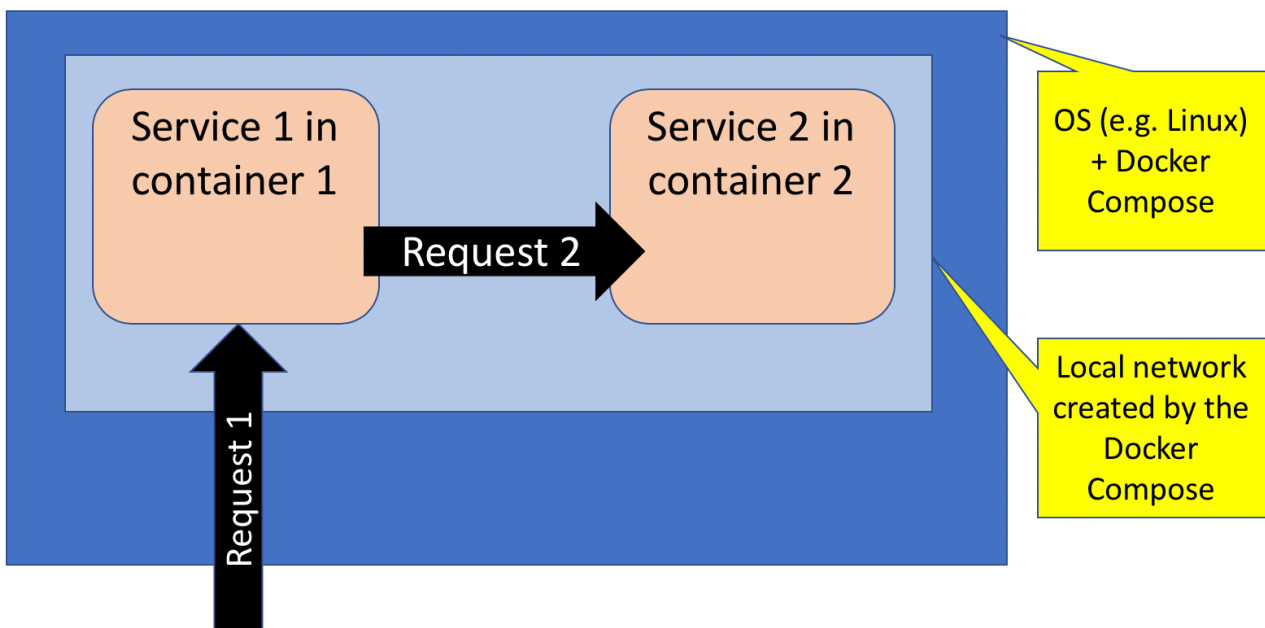


Figure 1. Architecture of the target system.

Service/application 1 should:

- As a response to incoming Request 1 send a HTTP GET request to Service2
- Compose a response from (4 lines of text)
 - “Hello from “ + <Remote IP address and port of the incoming Request1¹>
 - “ to “ + <Local IP address and port of Service1>
 - Response of the above request to Service2
- Return the composed response

Service/application 2 should

¹ See the figure

- As a response to incoming Request 2 compose a response from
 - 1 "Hello from " + <Remote IP address and port of the incoming Request2>
 - 2 " to " + <Local IP address and port of Service2>
- Return the composed response

By remote address/port we means the address of the host that sent the request. For example, in nodejs these can be tested with the following code:

```
http.createServer(function (req, res) {
  console.log("Req came from " + req.client.remoteAddress + ":" + req.client.remotePort);
  console.log("Req served at " + req.client.localAddress + ":" + req.client.localPort);

}).listen(8893);
```

In Golang you can use `http.Request.RemoteAddr` and `http.Request.Host`.

You should write *Dockerfiles* for the both services and *docker-compose.yml* to start both containers so that Service1 is exposed in port number 8001. The docker-compose should also create a private network that allows Services 1 and 2 to communicate with each other but the only external access is the HTTP-port 8001 to Service 1.

The service1 is assumed to be under development, so the image is rebuilt often (hint you may use "build:" -primitive in *docker-compose.yml*. Service2 is a reused service and you may pre-build the image. Image can be stored locally though.

After the system is ready the student should return.

- Content of Docker and docker-compose.yml files
- Explained response to Request 1 (that contains also response from Request 2). E.g. a Word or PDF-file where you also explain why the addresses and port-numbers are like they are. (We want to ensure that you understand how your program works).
- Source codes of the applications.

These files are returned with some git service. Courses-gitlab repositories will be created on week of 21.09. You should prepare your system in a way that the course staff can test the system with the following procedure (on Linux):

```
$ git clone <the git url you gave>
$ docker-compose up --build
$ curl localhost:8001
<output should follow the above requirement>
$ docker-compose down
```

Hints

It might be a good idea to create and test the applications first.

Useful reading:

<https://docs.docker.com/compose/>
<https://docs.docker.com/compose/networking/>

Docker images are easy to access, if they are tagged when build

```
$ docker build --tag=pinger .
```

If Docker image is rebuilt, docker-compose should also be given a hint that rebuilt should override the existing one

```
$ docker-compose up --build
```