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# Understanding the Design of Docker Images



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$ whoami
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# What's a Docker Image?

- Definition used to create a container
- Image is to a Container as Class is to an Object
- Filesystem and Metadata
- Filesystem is packaged as Layers
- Metadata contains defaults for containers

# Image Inspect

```
$ docker image inspect nginx:latest
[
  {
    "Id": "sha256:35c43ace9216212c0f0e546a65eec93fa9fc8e96b25880ee222b7ed2ca1d2151",
    "RepoTags": [
      "nginx:latest"
    ],
    "RepoDigests": [
      "nginx@sha256:f3693fe50d5b1df1ecd315d54813a77afd56b0245a404055a946574deb6b34fc"
    ],
    "Architecture": "amd64",
    "Os": "linux",
    "Created": "2021-02-17T19:20:26.056161789Z",
    "Container": "51caab8ab3beefe704d8b6fbe7653b2c7df216cd44787aca26bc5c6a2e2e9414",
    "ContainerConfig": {
      "Hostname": "51caab8ab3be",
      "Domainname": "",
      "User": "",
      ...
    }
  }
]
```

# Image Inspect

```
"Config": {
  "User": "",
  "ExposedPorts": {
    "80/tcp": {}
  },
  "Env": [
    "PATH=/usr/local/sbin:/usr/local/bin:/usr/sbin:/usr/bin:/sbin:/bin",
    "NGINX_VERSION=1.19.7",
    "NJS_VERSION=0.5.1",
    "PKG_RELEASE=1~buster"
  ],
  "Cmd": [
    "nginx",
    "-g",
    "daemon off;"
  ],
  "Volumes": null,
  "WorkingDir": "",
  "Entrypoint": [
    "/docker-entrypoint.sh"
  ],
},
```

# Image Inspect

```
"GraphDriver": {
  "Data": {
    "LowerDir": "/home/docker/overlay2/3e6b61bb8630114472d0e3a97d1685452731f194ea74bf77c",
    "MergedDir": "/home/docker/overlay2/0f31e0d639be30f014498cc125e979fe9a9ed6a953bfce092",
    "UpperDir": "/home/docker/overlay2/0f31e0d639be30f014498cc125e979fe9a9ed6a953bfce092",
    "WorkDir": "/home/docker/overlay2/0f31e0d639be30f014498cc125e979fe9a9ed6a953bfce092c",
  },
  "Name": "overlay2"
},
"RootFS": {
  "Type": "layers",
  "Layers": [
    "sha256:9eb82f04c782ef3f5ca25911e60d75e441ce0fe82e49f0dbf02c81a3161d1300",
    "sha256:ffd3d6313c9b2905d7cbb9011d8a4fbb0b67d6f334a194ab2f70cf0894b7f4f7",
    "sha256:9b23c8e1e6f9c47ceb8dc619d7f63d659369dedf159e0f9735478c0e41febcc6",
    "sha256:0f804d36244da89e06210c5424c217c9ad838ce91300de213fc25d10fce53c6a",
    "sha256:9f65d1d4c869b7f2910d4c30bb2eade88975529b363089b5a27821fd4c3ff1c7",
    "sha256:2acf82036f3853e985033bab258dabbeed795a98198263fc6a327ca4d1744f0d"
  ]
},
```



# Dockerfile

```
FROM debian:buster-slim

LABEL maintainer="NGINX Docker Maintainers <docker-maint@nginx.com>"
ENV NGINX_VERSION 1.19.7
ENV NJS_VERSION 0.5.1
ENV PKG_RELEASE 1~buster

RUN set -x \
    ...

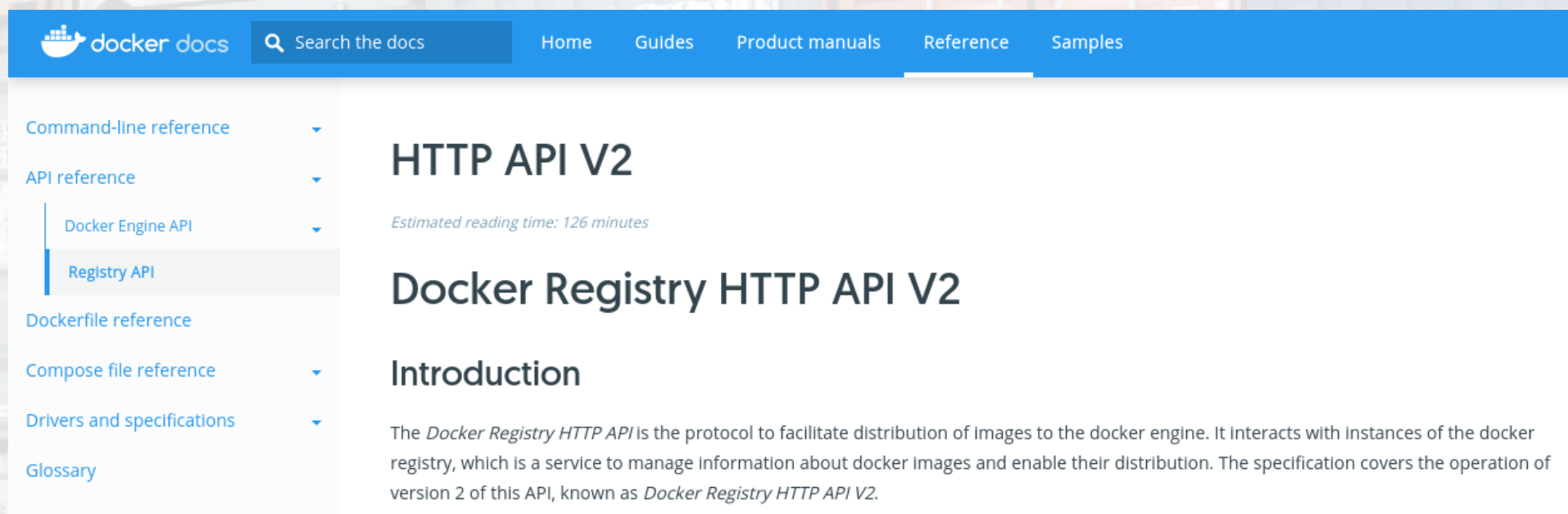
COPY docker-entrypoint.sh /
COPY 10-listen-on-ipv6-by-default.sh /docker-entrypoint.d
COPY 20-envsubst-on-templates.sh /docker-entrypoint.d
COPY 30-tune-worker-processes.sh /docker-entrypoint.d

ENTRYPOINT ["/docker-entrypoint.sh"]
EXPOSE 80
STOPSIGNAL SIGQUIT
CMD ["nginx", "-g", "daemon off;"]
```



# Registries

- Images are designed to be portable
- Registry API defines shipping images
- Manifests, Blobs, Digests



The screenshot shows the Docker Docs website interface. At the top is a blue navigation bar with the Docker logo and 'docker docs' text, a search bar, and navigation links for Home, Guides, Product manuals, Reference, and Samples. A left sidebar contains a list of navigation items: Command-line reference, API reference, Docker Engine API, Registry API (highlighted), Dockerfile reference, Compose file reference, Drivers and specifications, and Glossary. The main content area displays the title 'HTTP API V2' with an estimated reading time of 126 minutes, followed by the main heading 'Docker Registry HTTP API V2' and a sub-heading 'Introduction'. The introduction text states: 'The Docker Registry HTTP API is the protocol to facilitate distribution of images to the docker engine. It interacts with instances of the docker registry, which is a service to manage information about docker images and enable their distribution. The specification covers the operation of version 2 of this API, known as Docker Registry HTTP API V2.'

# Definitions

Reference: `my-registry-server.com/project-x/image-y:tag-z`

Registry: `my-registry-server.com`

Repository: `my-registry-server.com/project-x/image-y`

Tag: `tag-z`

# Manifest





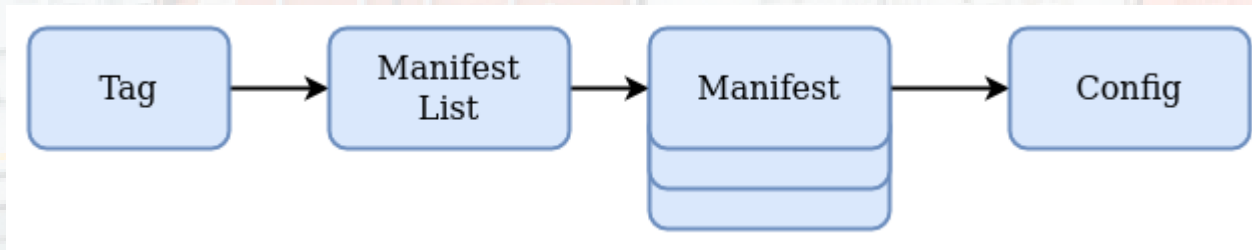
00:00

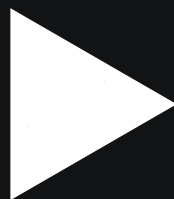


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# Config





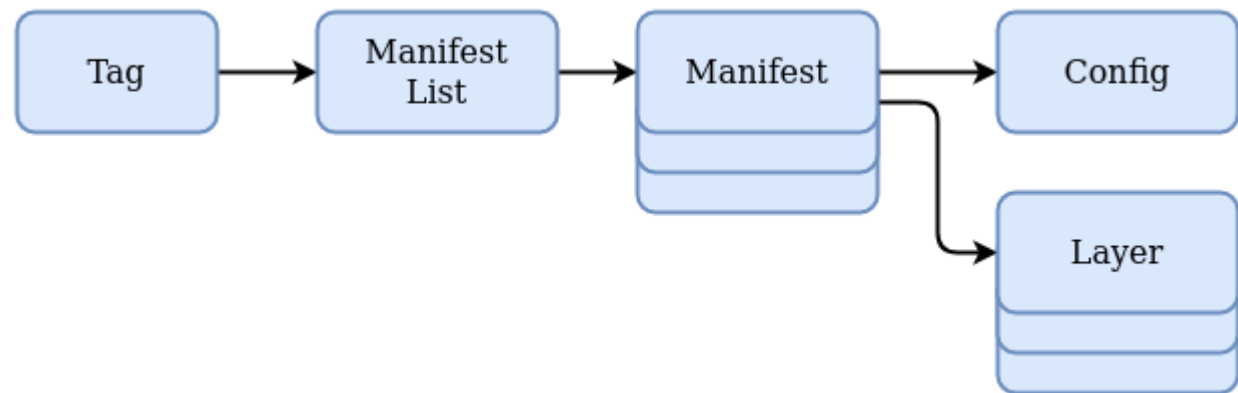
00:00



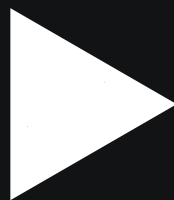
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# Layers







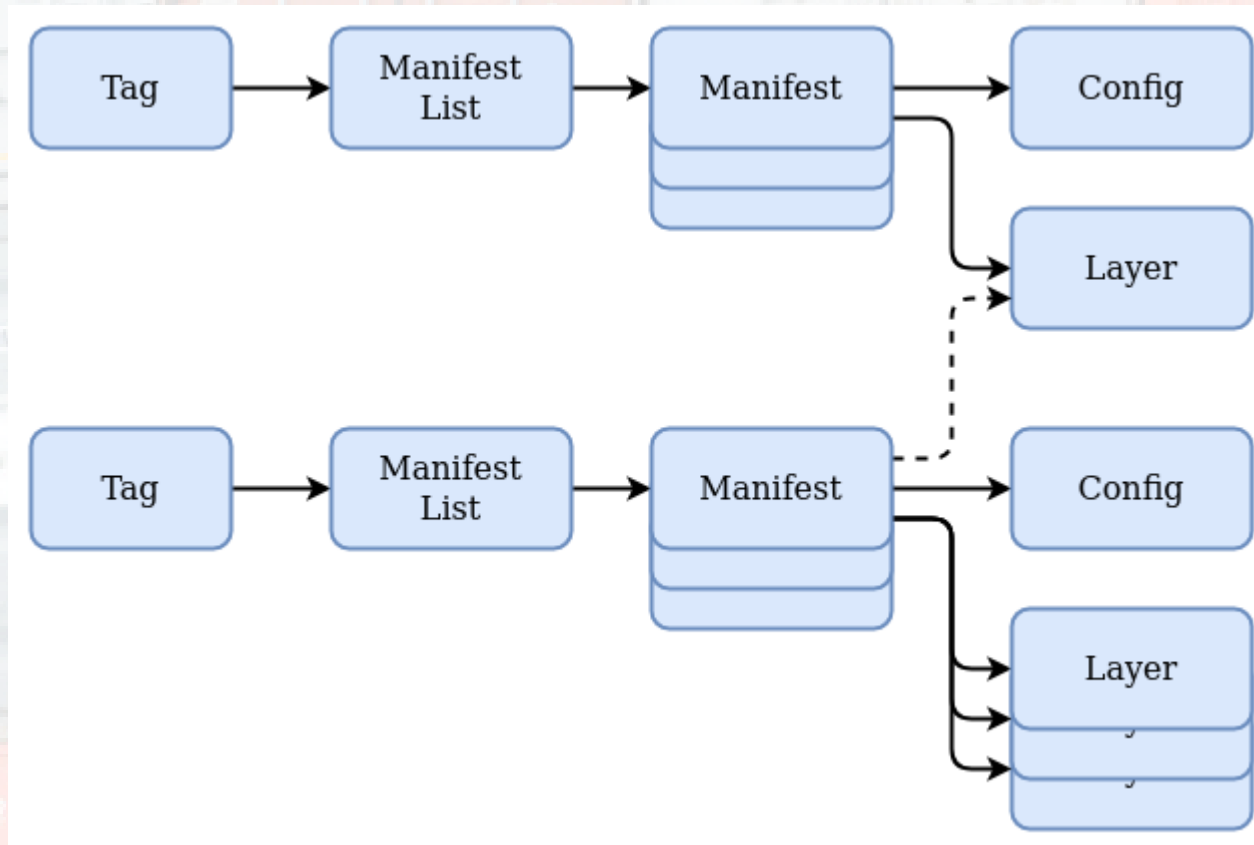
00:00



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# Shared Layers



# Recap

- Understanding layers can help you build better images
- Possibility to manage images directly on the registry
- `regctl` comes from my `regclient` project: [github.com/regclient](https://github.com/regclient)

# Thank You

[github.com/sudo-bmitch/presentations](https://github.com/sudo-bmitch/presentations)



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