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regclient

Tooling to Work with Registries

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\$ whoami

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Challenges

Retagging Images

```
docker image pull $repo:ci-1234  
docker image tag $repo:ci-1234 $repo:stable  
docker image push $repo:stable
```


Mirroring Images

```
docker image pull $upstream:latest  
docker image tag $upstream:latest $local:latest  
docker image push $local:latest
```


Deleting Images

```
docker ??? #@$!@#
```


These Solutions Have Issues

- Require a docker engine = privileged
- Ephemeral nodes pull everything, even if nothing has changed
- Docker only pulls a single platform
- Curl commands need to implement authentication

Search for Better Options

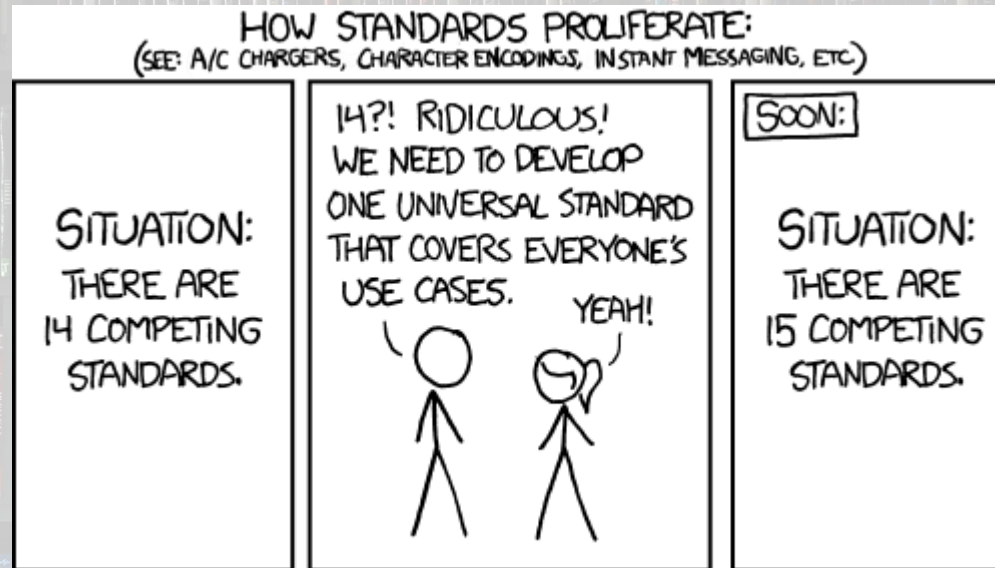
Search for Better Options

- Hostile competitors
- Unmaintained
- Part of a larger project

Search for a Library

- docker/distribution appears designed for internal usage
- containerd focuses on pulling images
- Everyone seems to be creating their own partial library

So I Made My Own



<https://xkcd.com/927/>

Merchandising?



Spaceballs

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Developers?



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Tools

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regctl

- Provides CLI access to registries using the registry API
- Packaged as a binary you can download or image to run
- Includes an Alpine based image for CI pipelines

regctl Commands

```
$ regctl --help
```

```
...
```

```
image      manage images  
layer      manage image layers/blobs  
registry   manage registries  
repo       manage repositories  
tag        manage tags
```


regctl Commands

```
$ regctl registry --help
```

```
...
```

```
config      show registry config  
login       login to a registry  
logout      logout of a registry  
set         set options on a registry
```


regctl Commands

```
$ regctl repo --help
```

```
...
```

```
ls          list repositories in a registry
```

```
$ regctl tag --help
```

```
...
```

```
delete     delete a tag in a repo
```

```
ls         list tags in a repo
```

```
$ regctl layer --help
```

```
...
```

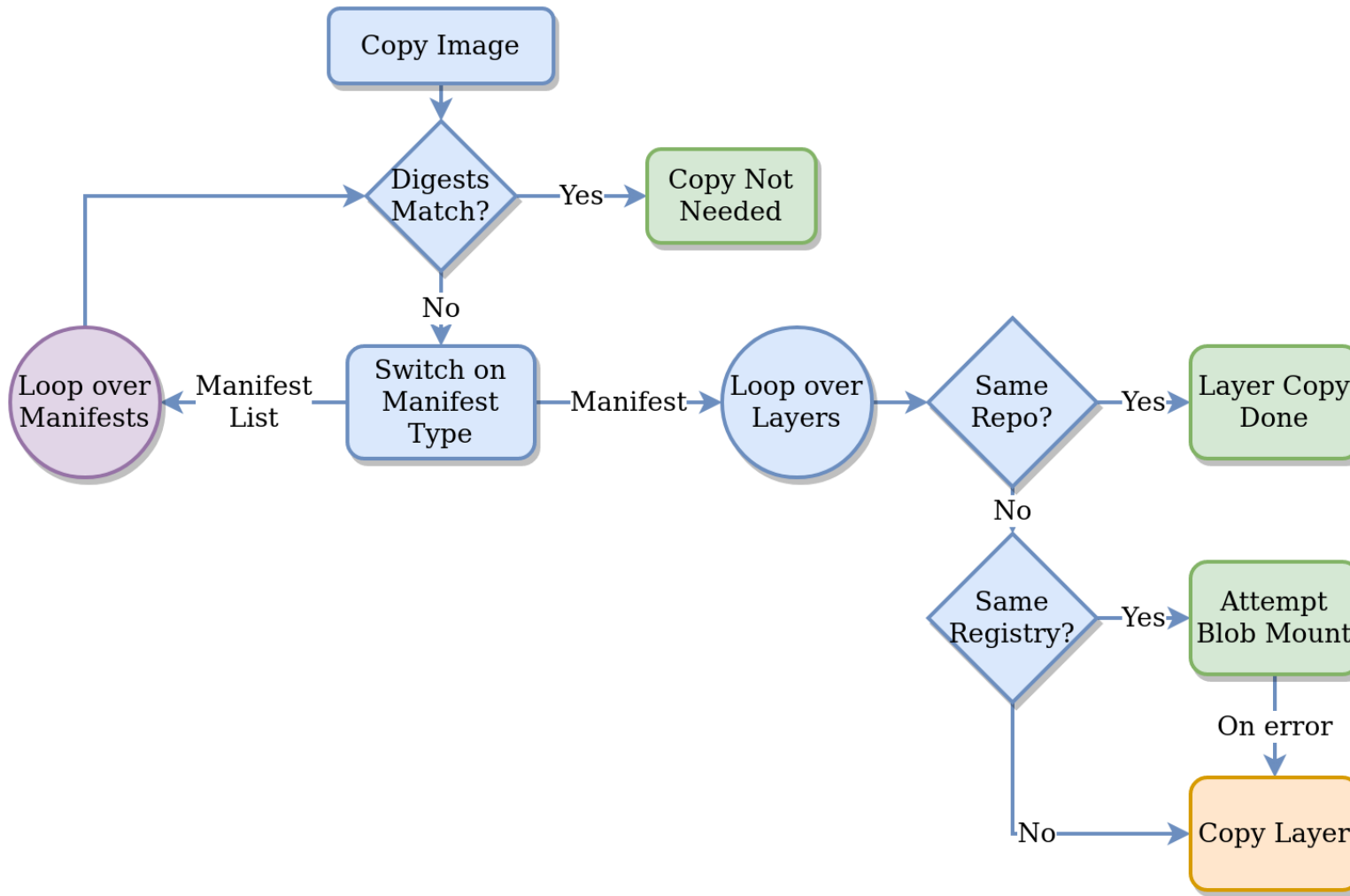
```
pull       download a layer/blob
```

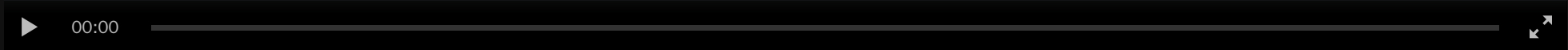

regctl Commands

```
$ regctl image --help
```

```
...
```

```
copy          copy or retag image
delete        delete image
digest        show digest for pinning
export        export image
inspect       inspect image
manifest      show manifest or manifest list
ratelimit     show the current rate limit
```



regsync

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regsync

- Why create a mirror?
- Upstream outages happen
- Upstream images can change unexpectedly
- Bandwidth cost time and money
- Hub rate limits

regsync

- Automates the copying of images
- Runs as a standalone binary or in a container
- Uses a yaml configuration file with templating support
- Run sync steps immediately or on a schedule
- Can copy one or more tags
- Can delay for rate limits
- Can backup old image before overwriting
- Structured logging integrates with aggregators

regsync Config

creds:

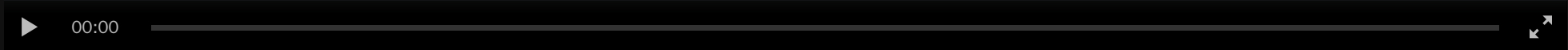
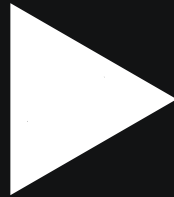
- registry: docker.io
- user: "{{env \"HUB_USER\"}}"
- pass: "{{file \"/var/run/secrets/hub_token\"}}"

defaults:

- ratelimit: { min: 100, retry: 15m }
- interval: 60m
- backup: "bkup-{{.Ref.Tag}}"

sync:

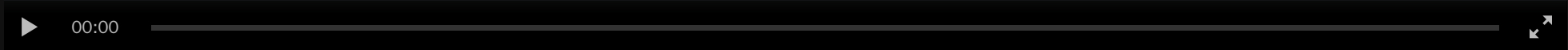
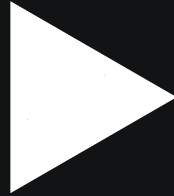
- source: alpine
- target: registry:5000/library/alpine
- type: repository
- tags:
 - allow:
 - "3"
 - "3.\\d+"



Using a Mirror

```
ARG registry=docker.io  
ARG tag=3  
FROM ${registry}/library/alpine:${tag}
```

```
docker image build \  
--build-arg registry=localhost:5000 \  
-t localhost:5000/example/app:${ver} .
```

regbot

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regbot

- How do you define a configuration file for registry image pruning?
- Prune all CI builds before a certain date
- Prune everything matching an expression, but keeping the most recent 10 images
- Check a label to see if the image is from an old sprint
- Delete local images when upstream mirror deletes the original

regbot

- Use the much of the config syntax from regsync
- Take the flexibility of scripting regctl commands
- Add Lua for a scripting language

Lua

- Go native, not even CGo
- Variables
- Tables(arrays, key/value)
- Conditionals
- Loops
- Math
- String parsing and matching
- Date and time
- Extendable with our own API calls
- Repository list
- Tag list
- Tag delete
- Rate limit
- Image manifest
- Image config
- Image copy
- Image delete

regbot Config

creds:

- registry: docker.io
- user: "{{env \"HUB_USER\"}}"
- pass: "{{file \"/var/run/secrets/hub_token\"}}"

defaults:

interval: 60m

scripts:

- name: mirror minor versions
- timeout: 59m

script: |

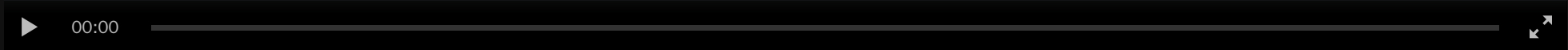
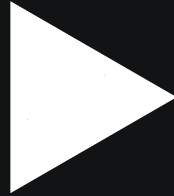
```
imageList = {"library/alpine", "library/debian"}
localReg = "registry:5000"
tagExp = "^%d+%.%d+$"
minRateLimit = 100
maxKeep = 3
-- ...
```


regbot Config

```
script: |
  for k, imageName in ipairs(imageList) do
    tags = tag.ls(upstreamRef)
    for k, t in pairs(tags) do
      if string.match(t, tagExp) then
        table.insert(matchTags, t)
      end
    end
    table.sort(matchTags, orderSemVer)
    for k, t in ipairs(matchTags) do
      upstreamRef:tag(t)
      localRef:tag(t)
      if not image.rateLimitWait(upstreamRef, minRateLimit) then
        error "Timed out waiting on rate limit"
      end
      image.copy(upstreamRef, localRef)
    end
  end
end
```


regbot Config

```
- name: delete old builds
script: |
  -- ... variables set above ...
  timeRef = os.time() - (86400*maxDays)
  cutoff = os.date(dateFmt, timeRef)
  ref = reference.new(imageName)
  tags = tag.ls(ref)
  for k, t in pairs(tags) do
    if string.match(t, tagExp) then
      ref:tag(t)
      ic = image.config(ref)
      if ic.Config.Labels[imageLabel] < cutoff then
        tag.delete(ref)
      end
    end
  end
end
```

Wrapping Up

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Future Plans

- Improve handling of other registries
- Handle more media types
- Add OCI Distribution support
- Helm charts, CNAB, Notary v2
- Import/export workflows to support offline registries
- Create a pull through cache

Try It Out

- github.com/regclient/regclient
- hub.docker.com/u/regclient
- Quick start guides for regsync and regbot

Thank You

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