

MO4 & MO5:

Bot Systems Manual

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1. System Overview

1.1 Purpose

The ZATech Slack Bot v3 is an async event-driven bot that provides:

- Automated Greetings: Welcome new members in #introductions
- **Pattern-Based Auto-Responses**: Automated responses to specific message patterns
- Moderation Logging: Track message edits and deletions
- Extensible Plugin System: Add new features without modifying core code
- Admin Dashboard: Web-based configuration interface



1.2 Key Components

Component	Purpose	Technology
FastAPI	HTTP server for admin dashboard	Python async web framework
Slack Bolt	Slack event handling	Official Slack SDK
Socket Mode	Receive Slack events via WebSocket	Persistent connection
Plugin Manager	Dynamic plugin loading & lifecycle	Python module system
Storage	Persist plugin configuration	SQLite/PostgreSQL
Admin Dashboard	Web UI for configuration	Jinja2 templates
Docker	Containerization	Docker + Docker Compose
Nginx	Reverse proxy & TLS termination	Web server



1.3 System Requirements

VPS Specifications (minimum):

- CPU: 2 vCPUs

- RAM: 2 GB (4 GB recommended for 25,000+ users)

- Storage: 20 GB SSD

- **OS**: Ubuntu 22.04 LTS or newer

- Network: 1 Gbps, 20 TB/month transfer

Software Requirements:

- Docker 20.10+

- Docker Compose 1.29+

- Git

- Nginx 1.18+

- Python 3.11+ (if running without Docker)



2. Installation & Deployment2.1 Initial VPS Setup

Step 1: Provision VPS

```
# Update system packages
sudo apt update && sudo apt upgrade -y
# Install required packages
sudo apt install -y docker.io docker-compose nginx git ufw
# Start and enable Docker
sudo systemctl start docker
sudo systemctl enable docker
# Add user to docker group (replace 'ubuntu' with your username)
sudo usermod -aG docker ubuntu
newgrp docker
```

Step 2: Configure Firewall

```
# Allow SSH, HTTP, HTTPS
sudo ufw allow 22/tcp
sudo ufw allow 80/tcp
sudo ufw allow 443/tcp

# Enable firewall
sudo ufw enable
sudo ufw status
```

Step 3: Clone Repository

```
# Clone the bot repository
git clone https://github.com/zatech/zatech-bot.git
cd zatech-bot
```



2.2 Slack App Configuration

Step 1: Create Slack App

- 1. Visit https://api.slack.com/apps
- 2. Click Create New App → From scratch
- 3. Name: ZATech Bot v3
- 4. Workspace: Select your workspace

Step 2: Configure OAuth Scopes

Navigate to **OAuth & Permissions** and add the following **Bot Token Scopes**:

- app_mentions:read Read messages mentioning the bot
- channels: history View messages in public channels
- channels:read View basic channel info
- chat:write-Send messages
- users:read View user information
- reactions: read View emoji reactions

Step 3: Enable Socket Mode

- 1. Navigate to **Socket Mode** in sidebar
- 2. Enable Socket Mode
- Generate App-Level Token:
 - Name: zatech-bot-socket
 - Scope: connections:write
 - Copy token (starts with xapp-)

Step 4: Install App to Workspace

- 1. Navigate to Install App
- 2. Click Install to Workspace
- 3. Authorize the app
- 4. Copy **Bot User OAuth Token** (starts with xoxb-)



2.3 Environment Configuration

Create .env file:

```
cp .env.example .env
nano .env
```

Required environment variables:

```
# Slack Tokens (REQUIRED)
SLACK_BOT_TOKEN=xoxb-your-bot-token-here
SLACK_APP_TOKEN=xapp-your-app-token-here
# Database (Choose one)
# For SQLite (development/small deployments):
DATABASE_URL=sqlite+aiosqlite:///./bot.db
# For PostgreSQL (production):
# DATABASE_URL=postgresql+asyncpg://postgres:postgres@db:5432/zatech_bot
# Logging
LOG_LEVEL=INFO
# Server Configuration
HOST=0.0.0.0
PORT=3000
# Plugin Configuration
PLUGIN_PACKAGES=plugins
ENABLED_PLUGINS= # Leave empty to use plugin defaults
# Optional: OpenAI API (for AI-powered greetings)
OPENAI_API_KEY=sk-your-openai-key-here # Optional
```



2.4 Docker Deployment

Option A: Docker Compose with PostgreSQL (Recommended)

```
# Start services
docker compose up -d

# View Logs
docker compose logs -f app

# Check status
docker compose ps
```

Services started:

- app: Bot application (port 3000 internal)
- db: PostgreSQL database (port 5432 internal)

Option B: Docker Standalone (SQLite)

```
# Build image
docker build -t zatech-bot:latest .

# Run container
docker run -d \
    --name zatech-bot \
    --env-file .env \
    -p 3000:3000 \
    -v $(pwd)/bot.db:/app/bot.db \
    zatech-bot:latest

# View Logs
docker logs -f zatech-bot
```



2.5 Nginx Reverse Proxy Setup

Step 1: Configure Nginx

```
sudo nano /etc/nginx/sites-available/zatech-bot
```

Add configuration:

```
server {
   listen 80;
    server_name bot.zatech.co.za;
   location / {
        return 301 https://hostrequest_uri;
    }
}
server {
    listen 443 ssl http2;
    server_name bot.zatech.co.za;
   # SSL Configuration (use Let's Encrypt)
    ssl_certificate /etc/letsencrypt/live/bot.zatech.co.za/fullchain.pem;
    ssl_certificate_key
/etc/letsencrypt/live/bot.zatech.co.za/privkey.pem;
    ssl_protocols TLSv1.2 TLSv1.3;
    ssl ciphers HIGH:!aNULL:!MD5;
    # Security Headers
    add_header Strict-Transport-Security "max-age=31536000;
includeSubDomains" always;
    add_header X-Frame-Options "DENY" always;
    add header X-Content-Type-Options "nosniff" always;
    # Rate Limiting
    limit_req_zone $binary_remote_addr zone=admin:10m rate=10r/s;
    location / {
        proxy pass http://localhost:3000;
        proxy set header Host $host;
        proxy_set_header X-Real-IP $remote_addr;
        proxy_set_header X-Forwarded-For $proxy_add_x_forwarded_for;
        proxy_set_header X-Forwarded-Proto $scheme;
        # Rate limiting for admin dashboard
```



```
limit_req zone=admin burst=20 nodelay;
}

location /health {
    proxy_pass http://localhost:3000/health;
    access_log off;
}
```

Step 2: Enable Site

```
# Create symbolic link
sudo ln -s /etc/nginx/sites-available/zatech-bot /etc/nginx/sites-enabled/
# Test configuration
sudo nginx -t
# Reload Nginx
sudo systemctl reload nginx
```

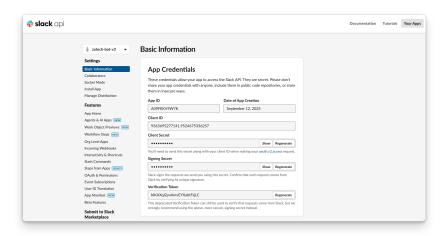
Step 3: SSL Certificate (Let's Encrypt)

```
# Install Certbot
sudo apt install -y certbot python3-certbot-nginx
# Obtain certificate
sudo certbot --nginx -d bot.zatech.co.za
# Test auto-renewal
sudo certbot renew --dry-run
```



2.6 Slack App Configuration

This section covers how to create, configure, and obtain credentials for your Slack App to enable bot functionality.



2.6.1 Creating a Slack App

Prerequisites:

- Slack workspace with admin permissions (or permission to install apps)
- Access to https://api.slack.com/apps

Steps:

1. Navigate to Slack App Management

- Go to https://api.slack.com/apps
- Click "Create New App"

2. Choose Creation Method

- Select "From scratch" for manual configuration
- Or select "From an app manifest" if you have a pre-configured YAML/JSON manifest

3. Basic Information

- **App Name**: e.g., "ZATech Bot"
- Workspace: Select your development/production workspace
- Click "Create App"



2.6.2 Configuring OAuth Scopes

OAuth scopes define what your bot can do in Slack. Navigate to **OAuth & Permissions** in the sidebar.

Required Bot Token Scopes (xoxb-*):

Scope	Purpose
app_mentions:read	Receive messages that mention the bot
channels:history	View messages in public channels
channels:read	View basic channel information
chat:write	Send messages as the bot
groups:history	View messages in private channels (if invited)
groups:read	View basic private channel information
im:history	View messages in direct messages
im:read	View basic DM information
im:write	Send direct messages
reactions:read	View emoji reactions
reactions:write	Add emoji reactions
users:read	View user information (names, profiles)
team:read	View workspace information

Optional Scopes (depending on features):

- files:read: If bot needs to access uploaded files
- usergroups: read: If bot needs to work with user groups
- channels: manage: If bot creates/archives channels
- pins:write: If bot pins messages



2.6.3 Enabling Socket Mode

Socket Mode allows the bot to receive events via WebSocket without exposing a public HTTP endpoint.

Steps:

1. Navigate to Socket Mode

- Sidebar: Settings → Socket Mode

2. Enable Socket Mode

- Toggle "Enable Socket Mode" to **ON**

3. Generate App-Level Token

- Click "Generate Token and Scopes"
- **Token Name**: e.g., "Socket Mode Token"
- Required Scope: connections:write
- Click "Generate"
- Copy the token (starts with xapp-) you won't see it again!



2.6.4 Subscribing to Events

Events tell your bot when things happen in Slack. Navigate to **Event Subscriptions**.

Steps:

1. Enable Events

- Toggle "Enable Events" to **ON**

2. Subscribe to Bot Events

Add the events your bot needs to listen for:

Event	Purpose
app_mention	Bot is @mentioned in a channel
message.channels	Messages posted in public channels
message.groups	Messages posted in private channels
message.im	Direct messages to the bot
member_joined_channel	User joins a channel (for greetings)
reaction_added	Emoji reaction added to a message
reaction_removed	Emoji reaction removed

3. Save Changes

- Click "Save Changes" at the bottom



2.6.5 Installing the App to Workspace **Steps**:

1. Navigate to Install App

- Sidebar: **Settings** → **Install App**

2. Install to Workspace

- Click "Install to Workspace"
- Review permissions
- Click "Allow"

3. Copy Bot User OAuth Token

- After installation, you'll see the **Bot User OAuth Token** (starts with xoxb-)
- **Copy this token** you'll need it for environment variables

2.6.6 Environment Variables Setup

The bot requires two critical tokens to operate. These should be stored in a .env file (never committed to version control).

Required Environment Variables:

```
# .env file structure
SLACK_BOT_TOKEN=xoxb-your-bot-token-here
SLACK_APP_TOKEN=xapp-your-app-token-here

# Optional: For AI-powered features
OPENAI_API_KEY=sk-your-openai-key-here

# Database configuration
DATABASE_URL=sqlite:///./bot.db # Development
# DATABASE_URL=postgresql://user:pass@localhost/dbname # Production
```



Where to Find Each Token:

- 1. SLACK_BOT_TOKEN (xoxb-*)
 - Location: OAuth & Permissions → Bot User OAuth Token
 - Format:

```
xoxb-1234567890-1234567890123-abcdefghijklmnopgrstuvwx
```

- Purpose: Authenticates bot actions (sending messages, reading data)

2. SLACK_APP_TOKEN (xapp-*)

- Location: Basic Information → App-Level Tokens
- Format:

```
xapp-1-ABCDEFGHIJ-1234567890-abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxy
z1234567890abcdefghijklmnopqrs
```

- Purpose: Authenticates Socket Mode WebSocket connection

3. **OPENAI_API_KEY** (Optional)

- Get from: https://platform.openai.com/api-keys
- Format: sk-proj-... (varies by key type)
- Purpose: Powers AI greeting generation in AutoResponder plugin

Security Best Practices:

```
# .gitignore - ALWAYS exclude .env files
.env
.env.local
.env.production
*.env
```

Loading Environment Variables (Python example):

```
import os
from dotenv import load_dotenv

# Load .env file
load_dotenv()

# Access variables
SLACK_BOT_TOKEN = os.environ.get("SLACK_BOT_TOKEN")
SLACK_APP_TOKEN = os.environ.get("SLACK_APP_TOKEN")

if not SLACK_BOT_TOKEN or not SLACK_APP_TOKEN:
    raise ValueError("Missing required Slack tokens in environment")
```



2.6.7 Verifying Configuration

Checklist:

☐ App created in Slack App portal
☐ OAuth scopes configured (minimum: chat:write, channels:history,
app_mentions:read)
☐ Socket Mode enabled with connections:write scope
☐ App-level token (xapp-*) generated and saved
☐ Event subscriptions configured (e.g., message.channels, app_mention)
☐ App installed to workspace
☐ Bot User OAuth Token (xoxb-*) copied
☐ Both tokens added to .env file
□ .env file added to .gitignore

Testing Connection:

```
# Quick test script
from slack_bolt.async_app import AsyncApp
import asyncio

app = AsyncApp(
    token=os.environ.get("SLACK_BOT_TOKEN"),
    app_token=os.environ.get("SLACK_APP_TOKEN"))
)

@app.event("app_mention")
async def handle_mention(event, say):
    await say(f"Hello <@{event['user']}>! Bot is working!")

async def main():
    handler = AsyncSocketModeHandler(app, os.environ["SLACK_APP_TOKEN"])
    await handler.start_async()

if __name__ == "__main__":
    asyncio.run(main())
```

If the bot responds to @botname mentions in Slack, configuration is successful!



2.6.8 Common Configuration Issues

Issue	Symptom	Solution
Missing scopes	missing_scope API errors	Add required scopes in OAuth & Permissions, reinstall app
Socket Mode disabled	Bot doesn't receive events	Enable Socket Mode and generate app-level token
Wrong token type	invalid_auth or not_authed errors	Verify using correct token (xoxb- for bot, xapp- for Socket Mode)
Token not saved	Connection errors on startup	Check .env file exists and has correct variable names
Events not subscribed	Bot doesn't respond to messages	Subscribe to required events in Event Subscriptions
Bot not in channel	channel_not_found errors	Invite bot to channel: /invite @botname



3. Configuration Management

3.1 Environment Variables

Critical Variables (required for operation):

Variable	Purpose	Example	Required
SLACK_BOT_TOKE N	Bot authentication	xoxb	✓ Yes
SLACK_APP_TOKE N	Socket Mode connection	xapp	✓ Yes
DATABASE_URL	Database connection	sqlite+aiosqli te:///./bot.db	✓ Yes

Optional Variables (for advanced features):

Variable	Purpose	Default	Example
LOG_LEVEL	Logging verbosity	INFO	DEBUG, WARNING
HOST	Server bind address	0.0.0.0	127.0.0.1
PORT	Server port	3000	8080
PLUGIN_PACKAGE S	Plugin directories	plugins	plugins,custom _plugins
ENABLED_PLUGIN	Specific plugins to load	(all)	autoresponder, modlog
OPENAI_API_KEY	Al-powered greetings	(none)	sk



3.2 Plugin Configuration

Plugins are configured via the Admin Dashboard at

https://bot.zatech.co.za/admin.

AutoResponder Plugin

Greeting Configuration:

- Navigate to /admin/tabs/autoresponder_greeter
- Configure:
 - **Template**: Welcome message (use {mention} for user mention)
 - Channel ID: Channel to greet in (get from Slack URL)
 - Al Mode: Enable OpenAl-powered greetings (requires API key)

Auto-Response Rules:

- Navigate to /admin/tabs/autoresponder
- Add rules:
 - Pattern: Regular expression (e.g., (?i) \bhelp\b)
 - Response: Message to send
 - Enabled: Toggle on/off

ModLog Plugin

Configuration:

- Navigate to /admin/tabs/modlog
- Set **Log Channel ID** (where moderation logs are posted)

3.3 Database Configuration

SQLite (Development/Small Scale)

```
# Connection string
DATABASE_URL=sqlite+aiosqlite:///./bot.db

# Database file location
ls -lh bot.db

# Backup database
```



cp bot.db bot.db.backup

PostgreSQL (Production)

```
# Connection string format
DATABASE_URL=postgresql+asyncpg://user:password@host:port/database

# Docker Compose example
DATABASE_URL=postgresql+asyncpg://postgres:postgres@db:5432/zatech_bot

# External PostgreSQL example
DATABASE_URL=postgresql+asyncpg://botuser:securepass@postgres.example.com:
5432/zatech
```



4. System Operation

4.1 Starting the System

Docker Compose

```
# Start all services
docker compose up -d

# Start only the bot (keep database running)
docker compose up -d app
```

Standalone Docker

```
# Start container
docker start zatech-bot

# Start with Logs
docker start zatech-bot && docker logs -f zatech-bot
```

4.2 Stopping the System

Graceful Shutdown

```
# Docker Compose
docker compose down

# Standalone
docker stop zatech-bot
```

Immediate Shutdown (Emergency Only)

```
# Force stop
docker compose kill
```



4.3 Restarting the System

After Configuration Changes

```
# Restart with new environment variables
docker compose down
docker compose up -d

# View logs to verify restart
docker compose logs -f app
```

After Code Updates

```
# Pull latest code
git pull origin main

# Rebuild and restart
docker compose down
docker compose build --no-cache
docker compose up -d
```



4.4 Viewing Logs

Real-Time Logs

```
# All services
docker compose logs -f

# Bot only
docker compose logs -f app

# Database only
docker compose logs -f db
```

Historical Logs

```
# Last 100 lines
docker compose logs app --tail 100
# Logs from specific time
docker compose logs app --since "2025-10-30T10:00:00"
```

Log Levels

Set LOG_LEVEL in .env:

- DEBUG: Verbose logs (event details, plugin execution)
- INFO: Normal operations (startup, plugin registration)
- WARNING: Potential issues (rate limits, deprecated features)
- ERROR: Failures (API errors, database issues)



4.5 Accessing the Admin Dashboard

- 1. URL: https://bot.zatech.co.za/admin
- 2. Authentication: Uses Firebase
- 3. Features:
 - Plugin configuration
 - System health status
 - Greeting statistics
 - Auto-response rule management



5. Monitoring & Health Checks5.1 Health Endpoint

5.1 Health Endpoint

HTTP Health Check:

```
# Check application health
curl https://bot.zatech.co.za/health

# Expected response:
{
    "status": "healthy",
    "timestamp": "2025-10-30T12:00:00Z"
}
```

5.2 System Metrics

Docker Container Stats

```
# Real-time resource usage
docker stats zatech-bot

# Expected output:
# CONTAINER CPU % MEM USAGE / LIMIT MEM %
# zatech-bot 5-10% 500MB / 2GB 25%
```

Database Size

```
# SQLite
ls -lh bot.db

# PostgreSQL
docker compose exec db psql -U postgres -d zatech_bot -c "SELECT
pg_size_pretty(pg_database_size('zatech_bot'));"
```



5.3 Monitoring Setup (Free Tier Tools)

UptimeRobot (Uptime Monitoring)

- 1. Create account at https://uptimerobot.com
- 2. Add HTTP(S) monitor:
 - **URL**: https://bot.zatech.co.za/health
 - Interval: 5 minutes
 - Alert: Email/SMS when down

Grafana Cloud (Log Aggregation)

```
# Install Promtail for log shipping
wget -q0 - https://grafana.com/docs/loki/latest/setup/install/
# Follow Grafana Cloud setup for Loki
```

5.4 Key Metrics to Monitor

Metric	Threshold	Action
CPU Usage	> 80% for 10 min	Investigate high load
RAM Usage	> 90%	Upgrade VPS tier
Disk Usage	> 80%	Clean logs, backup database
Health Check	Fails 3× in 5 min	Restart container
Slack Connection	Disconnected > 2 min	Check tokens, restart



5.5 Alert Configuration

Critical Alerts (Immediate Response)

- Bot container stopped
- Health endpoint returning errors
- Database connection failures
- Slack Socket Mode disconnected

Warning Alerts (Next Business Day)

- CPU/RAM usage > 80%
- Disk usage > 70%
- Slow database queries



6. Backup & Recovery6.1 Backup Strategy

What to Backup:

- Database (bot.db or PostgreSQL dump)
- 2. Environment configuration (.env file)
- 3. Custom plugin code (if any)
- 4. Nginx configuration

Backup Frequency:

- Database: Daily automated backups
- **Configuration**: After any changes
- Code: Version controlled in Git

6.2 Automated Database Backups

SQLite Backup Script

Create /opt/backups/backup-bot-db.sh:

```
#!/bin/bash
# Backup ZaTech Bot SQLite database

BACKUP_DIR="/opt/backups/zatech-bot"
DATE=$(date +%Y-%m-%d-%H%M)
DB_FILE="/path/to/zatech-bot/bot.db"

# Create backup directory
mkdir -p $BACKUP_DIR

# Backup database
cp DB_FILE $BACKUP_DIR/bot-DATE.db

# Keep only Last 30 days
find $BACKUP_DIR -name "bot-*.db" -mtime +30 -delete
echo "Backup completed: bot-$DATE.db"
```

Make executable and schedule:



```
chmod +x /opt/backups/backup-bot-db.sh

# Add to crontab (daily at 2 AM)
crontab -e
# Add line:
0 2 * * * /opt/backups/backup-bot-db.sh >> /var/log/bot-backup.log 2>&1
```

PostgreSQL Backup Script

```
#!/bin/bash
# Backup PostgreSQL database

BACKUP_DIR="/opt/backups/zatech-bot"
DATE=$(date +%Y-%m-%d-%H%M)

mkdir -p $BACKUP_DIR

# Dump database
docker compose exec -T db pg_dump -U postgres zatech_bot | gzip >
BACKUP_DIR/bot-DATE.sql.gz

# Keep only Last 30 days
find $BACKUP_DIR -name "bot-*.sql.gz" -mtime +30 -delete
echo "Backup completed: bot-$DATE.sql.gz"
```



6.3 Offsite Backups

Git Repository (Configuration)

```
# Backup .env and configs to private Git repo
git init backup-configs
cd backup-configs
cp /path/to/.env .
git add .env
git commit -m "Backup configuration $(date +%Y-%m-%d)"
git push origin main
```

Cloud Storage (Database)

```
# Upload to AWS 53
aws s3 cp /opt/backups/zatech-bot/ s3://zatech-backups/bot/ --recursive
# Upload to Backblaze B2
b2 sync /opt/backups/zatech-bot/ b2://zatech-backups/bot/
```

6.4 Disaster Recovery Procedures

Scenario 1: Database Corruption

```
# 1. Stop bot
docker compose down

# 2. Restore from Latest backup
cp /opt/backups/zatech-bot/bot-2025-10-30-0200.db ./bot.db

# 3. Restart bot
docker compose up -d

# 4. Verify health
curl https://bot.zatech.co.za/health
```



Scenario 2: Complete VPS Failure

```
# 1. Provision new VPS (see Section 2.1)

# 2. Clone repository
git clone https://github.com/zatech/zatech-bot.git
cd zatech-bot

# 3. Restore .env file
# (retrieve from secure backup)

# 4. Restore database
cp /backup/bot.db ./bot.db

# 5. Deploy
docker compose up -d

# 6. Configure Nginx and SSL (see Section 2.5)

# 7. Update DNS to point to new VPS IP
```

Recovery Time Objective (RTO): 30 minutes
Recovery Point Objective (RPO): 24 hours (daily backups)

6.5 Testing Backups

Monthly Backup Test (first Monday of each month):

```
# 1. Create test directory
mkdir /tmp/bot-restore-test

# 2. Restore Latest backup
cp /opt/backups/zatech-bot/bot-latest.db /tmp/bot-restore-test/

# 3. Start bot in test mode
docker run --rm -it \
    --env-file .env \
    -v /tmp/bot-restore-test/bot-latest.db:/app/bot.db \
    zatech-bot:latest

# 4. Verify data integrity
# - Check admin dashboard
# - Verify plugin configurations

# 5. Clean up
rm -rf /tmp/bot-restore-test
```



7. Security Procedures 7.1 Access Control

SSH Access

```
# Use SSH keys only (disable password authentication)
sudo nano /etc/ssh/sshd_config
# Set: PasswordAuthentication no
# Set: PubkeyAuthentication yes
# Restart SSH
sudo systemctl restart sshd
```

Admin Dashboard Security

TODO: Implement authentication

Current state: Admin dashboard has no authentication (localhost-only recommended)

Mitigation:

- Keep admin dashboard behind VPN
- Use Nginx IP whitelist
- Only bind to localhost (use SSH tunnel)

Example Nginx IP whitelist:

```
location /admin {
    # Allow only specific IPs
    allow 203.0.113.0/24; # Office network
    allow 198.51.100.50; # Admin home IP
    deny all;

    proxy_pass http://localhost:3000/admin;
}
```



7.2 Secrets Management

Slack Tokens

```
# Store in .env file
# NEVER commit .env to Git
echo ".env" >> .gitignore

# Restrict file permissions
chmod 600 .env
chown ubuntu:ubuntu .env
```

Token Rotation

- 1. Generate new Slack tokens (see Section 2.2)
- 2. Update .env file
- 3. Restart bot: docker compose restart app
- 4. Revoke old tokens in Slack App settings

OpenAl API Key Security

```
# Store in .env
OPENAI_API_KEY=sk-your-key-here
# Monitor usage at https://platform.openai.com/usage
# Set spending limits to prevent abuse
```

7.3 Security Updates

System Updates

```
# Monthly security updates (first Monday)
sudo apt update
sudo apt upgrade -y
sudo reboot
```



Docker Image Updates

```
# Rebuild with latest base image docker compose down docker compose build --no-cache docker compose up -d
```

Dependency Updates

```
# Update Python dependencies
pip install --upgrade -r requirements.txt
# Check for vulnerabilities
pip-audit
```



7.4 Security Monitoring

Log Analysis

```
# Monitor failed login attempts
sudo grep "Failed password" /var/log/auth.log

# Monitor suspicious Nginx requests
sudo grep "400\|404\|403" /var/log/nginx/error.log
```

Firewall Status

```
# Check UFW status
sudo ufw status verbose

# Review rules
sudo ufw show added
```

7.5 Incident Response

Security Incident Checklist:

- 1. **Contain**: Isolate affected system (firewall, disconnect)
- 2. **Identify**: Determine scope and attack vector
- 3. **Eradicate**: Remove malicious code, rotate secrets
- 4. **Recover**: Restore from clean backup
- 5. **Document**: Write incident report
- 6. **Review**: Update security procedures



8. Troubleshooting 8.1 Common Issues

Issue: Bot Not Responding in Slack

Symptoms:

- Bot doesn't respond to messages
- No greeting in #introductions

Diagnosis:

```
# 1. Check container status
docker compose ps
# Expected: app (healthy)

# 2. Check Logs for errors
docker compose logs app --tail 50
# Look for: "Socket Mode handler is running"

# 3. Check Socket Mode connection
# Look for: "Connected to Slack via Socket Mode"
```

Solutions:

```
# Solution 1: Restart bot
docker compose restart app

# Solution 2: Verify Slack tokens
# Check .env file for correct SLACK_BOT_TOKEN and SLACK_APP_TOKEN

# Solution 3: Check bot invitation
# Invite bot to channel: /invite @ZATech Bot v3

# Solution 4: Verify Slack App scopes
# Go to https://api.slack.com/apps → OAuth & Permissions
```



8.2 Diagnostic Commands

```
# System health overview
curl https://bot.zatech.co.za/health
# Container logs (last 100 lines)
docker compose logs app --tail 100
# Real-time Logs
docker compose logs -f app
# Container resource usage
docker stats zatech-bot
# Database size
ls -lh bot.db
# Network connectivity to Slack
curl -I https://slack.com
# Check Docker daemon
sudo systemctl status docker
# Check Nginx status
sudo systemctl status nginx
# Check open ports
sudo netstat -tulnp | grep -E ':(80|443|3000)'
```



8.3 Getting Help

Internal Resources:

- Architecture documentation: bot-arch.md

- README: bot-readme.md

- Running costs: running-costs-doc.md

External Resources:

- Slack Bolt Python: https://slack.dev/bolt-python/

- FastAPI Docs: https://fastapi.tiangolo.com/

- Docker Docs: https://docs.docker.com/

Support Channels:

- GitHub Issues: https://github.com/zatech-bot/issues