If You Mess Up Your Server

If you mess something up with your server and you are unable to use ssh to access it any more, you can use this guide https://www.digitalocean.com/docs/droplets/resources/console/ to regain access to your server. It shows you how to access the console for your server, which is like having a monitor and keyboard plugged into your virtual machine. You can do everything you would normally do with your root or user account, fix things up, and then go back to using ssh. The TAs and instructor can usually help you figure out what you messed up.