Peer Assignment
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Assignment (4.4)

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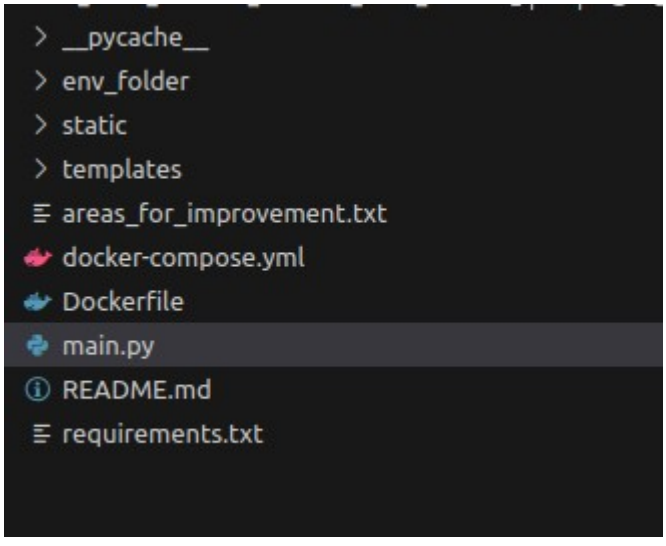
Analyze the application - which Microservice best practices does it not follow?

Think about what needs to be improved first. Have a look at the areas_for_improvement.txt file for hints.

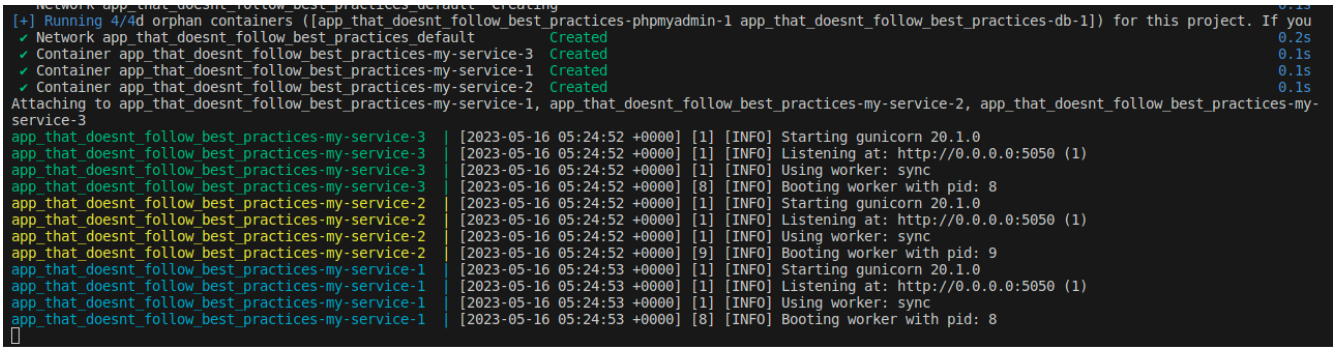
Improve the application.

Solution

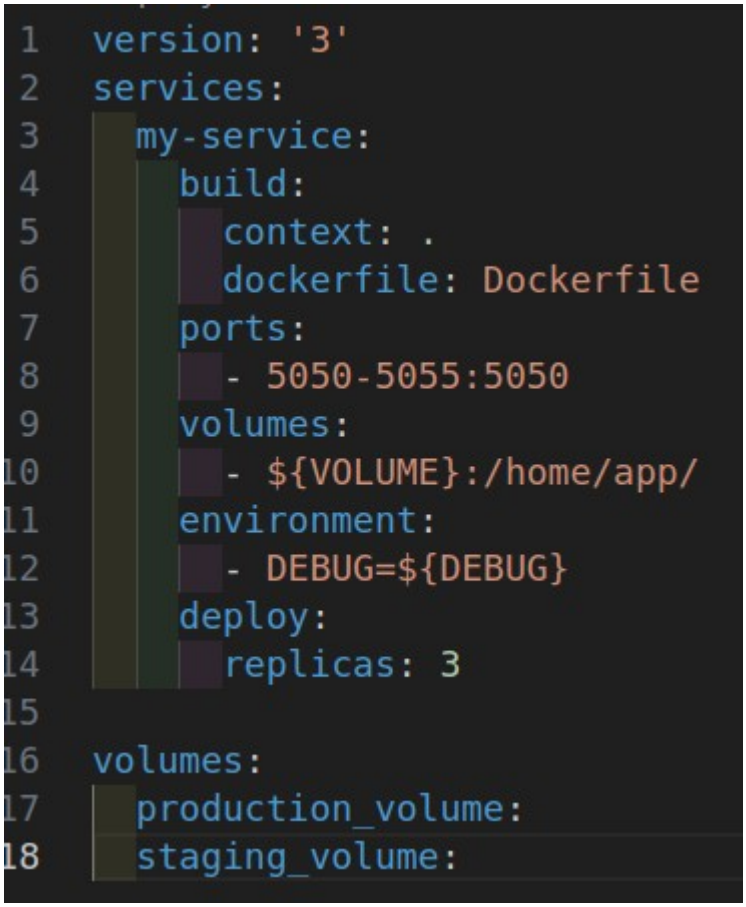
1. **__init__.py** is an extra file. So we remove it.



2. Now we can see the **logs as output**.



3. We also make 3 instance to **scale our container**.



4. We also make 2 different volume for **staging** and **production**.

```yaml
version: '3'
services:
  my-service:
    build:
      context: .
      dockerfile: Dockerfile
    ports:
      - 5050-5055:5050
    volumes:
      - ${VOLUME}:/home/app/
    environment:
      - DEBUG=${DEBUG}
    deploy:
      replicas: 3

volumes:
  production_volume:
  staging_volume:
```

5. We have assign the 2 different **env-files** to separate our **environment**.

env_folder > production.env

```
# debug mode
DEBUG=False

# Volume
VOLUME=production_volume
```

env_folder > staging.env

```
1  # debug mode
2  DEBUG=True
3
4  # Volume
5  VOLUME=staging_volume
```

6. For the above environment files we use docker compose up command and give parameters.

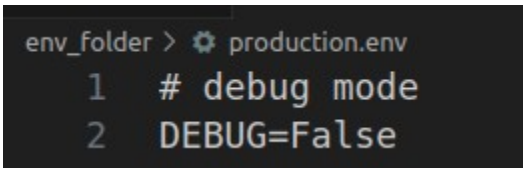
   - docker compose **--env-file env_folder/production.env** up
   - docker compose **--env-file env_folder/staging.env** up

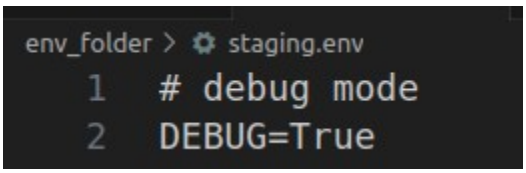
7. We also change requirements installation from run time to build time.

Dockerfile > ...

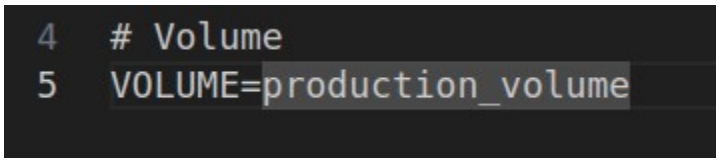
```
1  FROM python:3.8-slim-buster
2
3  WORKDIR /home/app/
4
5  COPY ./ /home/app/
6
7  ENV PYTHONPATH=${PYTHONPATH}:/home/app/
8
9  RUN pip install -r requirements.txt
10
11 RUN pip install --upgrade pip
12
13 CMD ["bash", "-c", "gunicorn main:app -b 0.0.0.0:5050"]
14
```

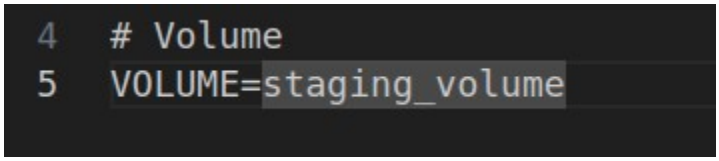
9. We also pass debugging form **environment file**.





10. We also pass volumes from environment files so we can easily replace the database.





11. We also update the main.py file and remove t**hreading, sleep time** and **show logs in output**.

main.py > ...

```python
import os
import sys

from flask import Flask, render_template, request

app = Flask(__name__)
app.debug = True

logging.basicConfig(
    stream=sys.stdout,
    level=logging.INFO,
    format="%(asctime)s,%(msecs)d %(name)s %(levelname)s %(message)s",
    datefmt="%H:%M:%S",
)

TODO_FILE_NAME = "todo.json"
TODO_ITEMS = []

if os.path.exists(TODO_FILE_NAME):
    with open(TODO_FILE_NAME) as f:
        TODO_ITEMS = json.load(f)


@app.route("/", methods=["GET", "POST"])
def main():
    if request.method == "POST":
        content = request.form.get("content")
        if content:
            TODO_ITEMS.append(content)
            save_todo_items()

    return render_template("index.html", todo_items=TODO_ITEMS)


def save_todo_items():
    with open(TODO_FILE_NAME, "w") as f:
        json.dump(TODO_ITEMS, f)

```