

Unit 4.4 : Assignment

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Task:

Browse to: `tasks/4_microservices_development/day_4_best_practices/app_that_doesnt_follow_best_practices/` analyze the application - which microservice best practices it doesn't 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:

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Dockerfile > ...
1 FROM python:3.8-slim-buster
2
3 WORKDIR /home/app/
4
5 COPY ./ /home/app/
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7 ENV debug=1
8
9 VOLUME /app/data
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11 COPY requirements.txt .
12
13 RUN pip install -r requirements.txt
14
15 ENV PYTHONPATH=${PYTHONPATH}:/home/app/
16
17 CMD ["bash", "-c", "pip install -r requirements.txt && gunicorn main:app -b 0.0.0.0:5000"]
18 |
```

This Dockerfile specifies the instructions to build a Docker image that includes a Python 3.8 runtime environment, copies the contents of the current directory into the `/home/app/` directory within the container, installs Python dependencies specified in `requirements.txt` file, sets some environment variables and defines a command to be executed when the container starts.

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🔥 docker-compose.yaml
1  version: '3'
2  services:
3    myapp:
4      build:
5        context: .
6        dockerfile: Dockerfile
7      ports:
8        - "5000:5000"
9      volumes:
10       - data:/app/data
11  volumes:
12    data:
13
14

```

This Docker Compose file we defines a single service named "myapp". This service is based on a Docker image built from a Dockerfile located in the same directory as the Compose file. The service is configured to expose port 5000 on the host, which is mapped to port 5000 on the container. This means that the application running inside the container can be accessed via <http://localhost:5000>.

main.py

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nal Help
Welcome  main.py  () todo.json  🔥 docker-compose.yaml  Dockerfile  areas_for_improvement.txt
main.py > ...
1  import json
2  import logging
3  import os
4  import sys
5  from flask import Flask, render_template, request
6  app = Flask(__name__)
7
8  # Check if DEBUG environment variable is set to "1"
9  debug=os.environ.get("DEBUG")=="1"
10
11 # If DEBUG is enabled, set logging level to DEBUG and set format
12 if debug:
13     logging.basicConfig(level=logging.DEBUG, format='%(asctime)s %(levelname)s in %(module)s: %(message)s')
14 # If DEBUG is disabled, set logging level to INFO and set format
15 else:
16     logging.basicConfig(level=logging.INFO, format='%(asctime)s %(levelname)s in %(module)s: %(message)s')
17
18 # Set path to todo list file
19 TODO_FILE_PATH = "/app/data/todo.json"
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21 # If todo list file exists, load it and assign it to TODO_ITEMS
22 if os.path.exists(TODO_FILE_PATH):
23     with open(TODO_FILE_PATH) as f:
24         TODO_ITEMS = json.load(f)
25 # If todo list file does not exist, set TODO_ITEMS to an empty list
26 else:
27     TODO_ITEMS = []
28
29 # Define a function to periodically save the todo list to the file
30 def periodically_save_todo_items():
31     with open(TODO_FILE_PATH, "w") as f:
32         json.dump(TODO_ITEMS, f)
33 # Define the main route for the app
34 @app.route("/", methods=["GET", "POST"])
35 def main():
36     # If the request method is POST, a new todo item is being added
37     if request.method == "POST":
38         content = request.form["content"]
39         TODO_ITEMS.append(content)
40         # Periodically save the updated todo list
41         periodically_save_todo_items()
42
43     # Render the index template with the current todo list
44     return render_template("index.html", todo_items=TODO_ITEMS)
45
46 # Start the Flask app if this file is being run directly
47 if __name__ == "__main__":
48     app.run(host="0.0.0.0")

```

todo.json

The screenshot shows a VS Code editor with a file explorer on the left containing files like `static`, `templates`, `__init__.py`, `areas_for_improvement.txt`, `docker-compose.yml`, `Dockerfile`, `main.py`, `README.md`, `requirements.txt`, and `todo.json`. The `todo.json` file is open in the editor, showing a list of items: `["Hello ", "Hello", "World", "World", "World", "Pakistan", "Pakistan"]`. The terminal at the bottom shows the output of a Docker build and run command. It includes messages about building the image, creating the network and volume, and starting the container. The container logs show the Flask application starting and listening on port 5000. The output of the application is visible in the terminal, showing the list of items from `todo.json`.

Output

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL `0.0.0.0:5000`. The page has a title `Add TODO item` and a text input field with the placeholder text `Please provide the TODO item content`. Below the input field is a `Submit` button. The page also displays a list of `TODO items` under the heading `TODO items`. The list contains the following items: `Hello`, `Hello`, `World`, `World`, `World`, `World`, `Pakistan`, and `Pakistan`.