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# INTEGRATION TESTING WITH DOCKER

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**WHO ARE YOU?**

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# OVERVIEW

- ▶ What is Docker?
- ▶ How can I gain confidence in deployments by using Docker for integration tests

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# WHAT IS DOCKER?

- ▶ Allows processes to run inside a light-weight “container”
- ▶ Virtual Machine-like isolation
- ▶ Near bare-metal performance (on Linux)
- ▶ built on top of a bunch of Linux technologies like LXC, namespaces, and cgroups
- ▶ Easily portable between systems
- ▶ Run services without installing dependencies on host

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## WHAT ABOUT OS X & WINDOWS?

- ▶ Even though it's Linux, it works on Mac and Windows
- ▶ Docker for Mac and Docker for Windows transparently run a Linux VM for you
- ▶ Performance penalty for the indirection





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# SHIPPING CONTAINERS





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## FIVE THINGS TO UNDERSTAND

- ▶ Image - a blueprint for containers
- ▶ Container - a running copy of the image
- ▶ TCP & UDP ports can be published to the host
- ▶ Network can be shared between containers
- ▶ Files can be shared between the host and container with volumes

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## PULLING AN IMAGE FROM DOCKER HUB

```
$ docker pull debian:jessie
```

```
jessie: Pulling from library/debian
```

```
693502eb7dfb: Pull complete
```

```
Digest:
```

```
sha256:52af198afd8c264f1035206ca66a5c48e602afb32d  
c912ebf9e9478134601ec4
```

```
Status: Downloaded newer image for debian:jessie
```

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## RUNNING A CONTAINER INTERACTIVELY

```
$ docker run --rm -it debian:jessie bash
```

```
root@9fb5f7a744e2:/# apt-get update
root@9fb5f7a744e2:/# apt-get install -y curl
root@9fb5f7a744e2:/# curl http://icanhazip.com
74.76.253.167
```

```
root@9fb5f7a744e2:/etc# ps -ef
```

| UID  | PID | PPID | C | STIME | TTY | TIME     | CMD    |
|------|-----|------|---|-------|-----|----------|--------|
| root | 1   | 0    | 0 | 23:25 | ?   | 00:00:00 | bash   |
| root | 7   | 1    | 0 | 23:26 | ?   | 00:00:00 | ps -ef |

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## BUILD A NEW IMAGE WITH A DOCKERFILE

```
# Dockerfile
FROM debian:jessie

RUN apt-get update && \
    apt-get install -y curl; \
    apt-get clean

ENTRYPOINT ["curl"]
```



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## BUILD AND RUN THE IMAGE

```
$ docker build -t sharatoga-curl .
```

```
...
```

```
# `curl -s icanhazip.com` INSIDE the container
```

```
$ docker run --rm sharatoga-curl -s icanhazip.com  
74.76.253.167
```

## PUBLISH A PORT TO THE HOST

```
$ docker run -p 8888:80 -d \
--name sharatoga-nginx nginx:1.11
```



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## LINK CONTAINERS TOGETHER

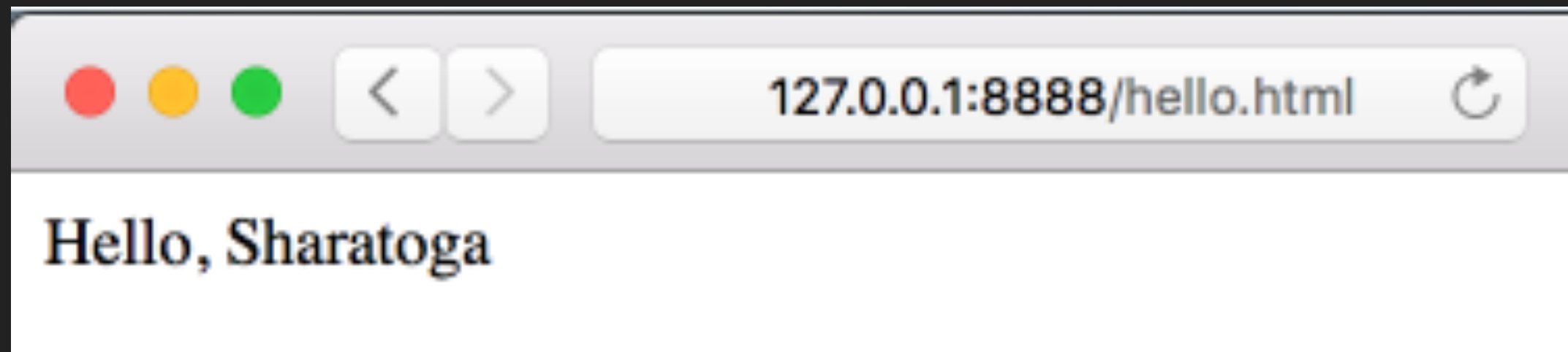
```
$ docker run --rm \
  --link sharatoga-nginx \
  sharatoga-curl -sI http://sharatoga-nginx
```

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Server: nginx/1.11.10
...
```

# CUSTOMIZE CONTAINER WITH VOLUMES

```
$ echo 'Hello, Sharatoga' > hello.html
```

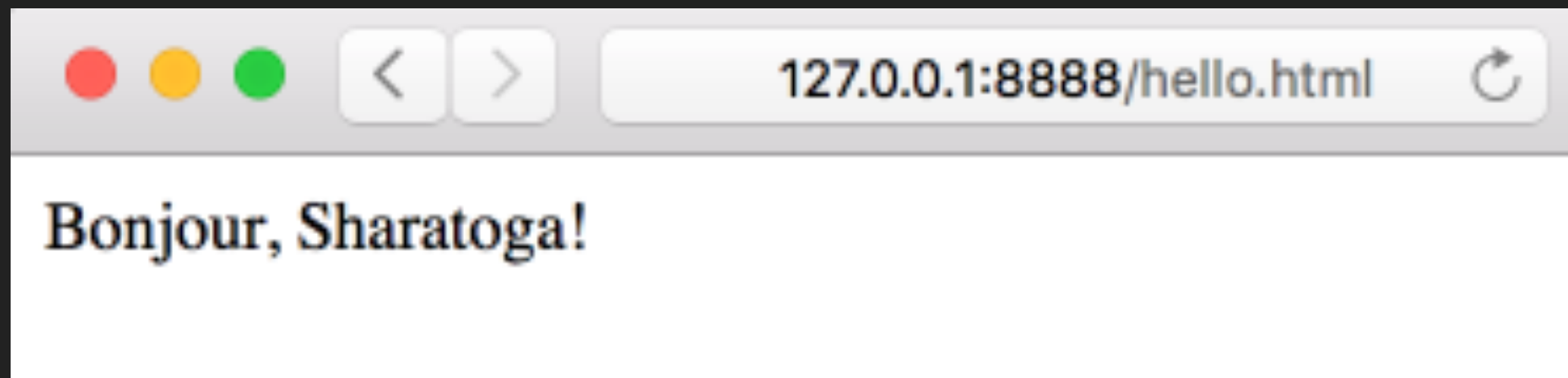
```
$ docker run -d \  
  -v `pwd`: /usr/share/nginx/html:ro \  
  -p 8888:80 \  
  --name sharatoga-nginx nginx:1.11
```





## CHANGE FILES LIVE

```
$ echo 'Bonjour, Sharatoga!' > hello.html
```



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# DOCKER-COMPOSE

```
version: '3'
services:
  nginx:
    image: nginx:1.11
    volumes:
      - ../custom-nginx:/usr/share/nginx/html:ro
  curl:
    build: ../curl
    entrypoint:
      - bash
      - -c
      - |-
        while : ; do
          curl -s http://nginx/hello.html;
          sleep 1;
        done
```

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# LET'S START THIS THING

```
$ docker-compose up  
Building curl
```

```
...
```

```
Creating compose_curl_1
```

```
Creating compose_nginx_1
```

```
Attaching to compose_curl_1, compose_nginx_1
```

```
curl_1    | Bonjour, Sharatoga!
```

```
nginx_1   | 172.18.0.2 - - [19/Mar/2017:18:33:39
```

```
+0000] "GET /hello.html HTTP/1.1" 200 17 "-" "curl/
```

```
7.38.0" "-"
```

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**BUT AARON, I CAN DO ALL  
THAT WITH VIRTUAL  
MACHINES!**

**Naysayers**



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## STARTUP IS WICKED FAST

```
$ time docker run --rm debian:jessie true  
real0m0.980s
```

```
# Vagrant w/ debian/jessie64 box
```

```
$ time vagrant up  
real0m35.359s
```



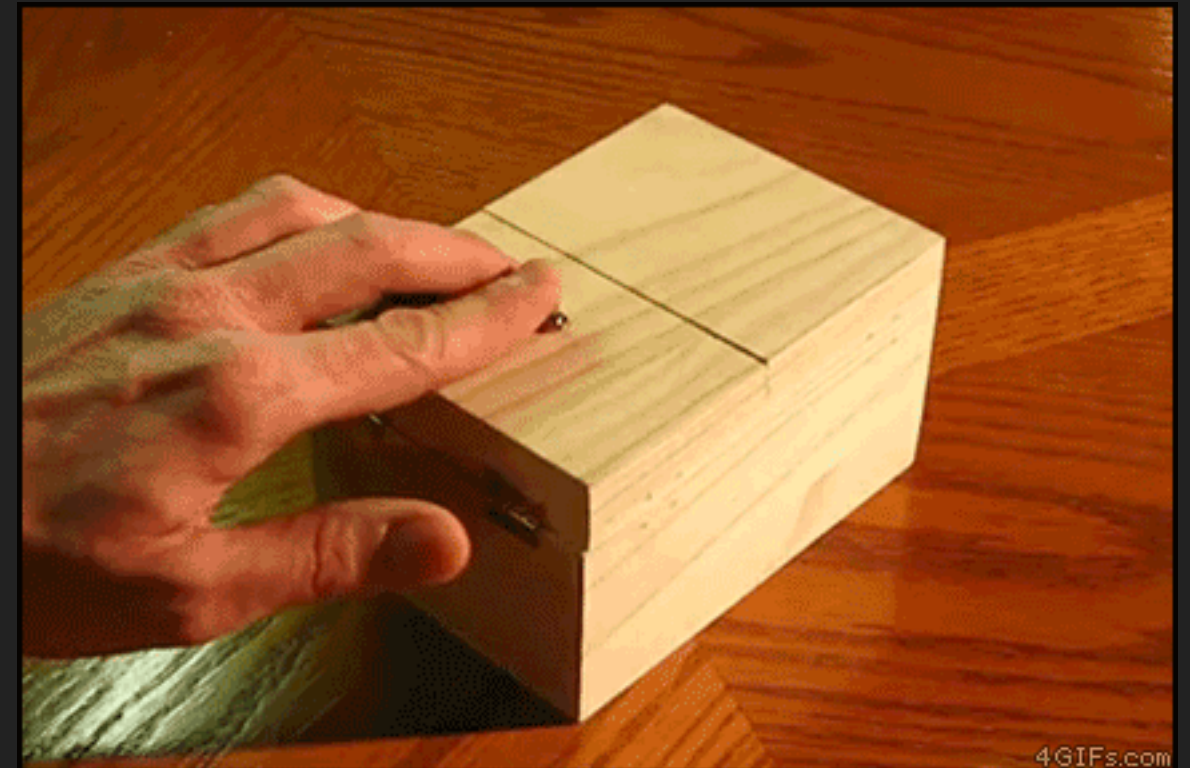
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**LOW OVERHEAD**

**STORY TIME**

# CIRCUIT BREAKER

- ▶ GitHub has over 100 haproxy instances load balancing traffic
- ▶ rolling out new backend configuration
- ▶ Requirement to disable new backends nearly instantly in case of error





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# HAPROXY AGENT CHECK

- ▶ haproxy feature "agent-check"
- ▶ haproxy sends arbitrary string over TCP to a backend agent
- ▶ agent responds with up, down (or a few other states)
- ▶ haproxy sets backend state

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## WROTE A THING

- ▶ agent-checker implements haproxy agent-check backend
- ▶ stores preconfigured responses in YAML

```
# agent-checker.yaml
checks:
- key: feature1
  response: up
- key: feature2
  response: down
```

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# AGENT-CHECKER

```
$ echo "feature1" | nc 127.0.0.1 3333  
up
```

```
$ echo "feature2" | nc 127.0.0.1 3333  
down
```

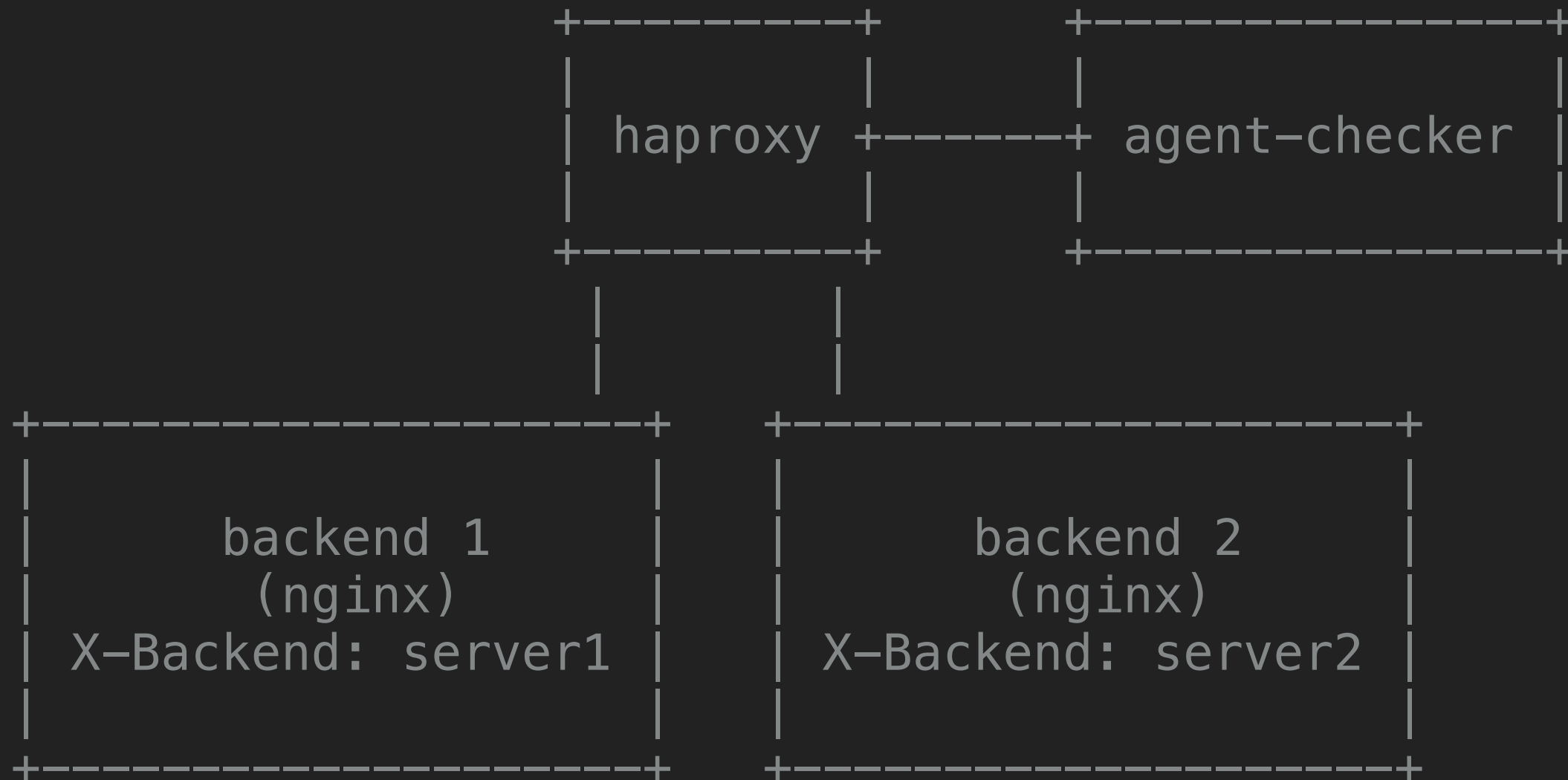
**SIMPLEST KEY  
VALUE STORE, EVER**



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**2 UNIT TESTS, 0 INTEGRATION TESTS**

# A BUNCH OF COMPONENTS



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# DOCKER-COMPOSE TO THE RESCUE

```
haproxy:
  ports:
    - "80"
  volumes:
    - ./haproxy:/usr/local/etc/haproxy
server1:
  image: nginx:1.10-alpine
  volumes:
    - ./server1/conf.d:/etc/nginx/conf.d
server2:
  image: nginx:1.10-alpine
  volumes:
    - ./server2/conf.d:/etc/nginx/conf.d
agentchecker:
  build: ../../
  volumes:
    - ./agent-checker/config.yaml:/etc/agent-checker.yaml:ro
```



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# AN INTEGRATION TEST

checks:

- key: server1  
  response: down
- key: server2  
  response: up

```
#!/usr/bin/env bash
```

```
URI=$(docker-compose port haproxy)
```

```
for _ in {1..10}; do
```

```
  curl -sI "$URI" | grep -q 'X-Backend: server2'
```

```
  # if we get something other than server2, fail
```

```
  if [ $? -ne 0 ]; then
```

```
    echo "Test failed"; exit 1
```

```
  fi
```

```
done
```

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# CONFIDENCE & DEPLOYMENT VELOCITY

- ▶ Write tests we want to be confident the system works holistically
- ▶ Run on your dev machine or in CI without installing any dependencies
- ▶ Greater confidence means you can deploy faster

**QUESTIONS?**