

# Lab 7. Using the Salt Reactor

In this lab, we're going to create a reactor and read a specific event from a Salt minion.

## Configure and create the reactor.

1. Create the reactor.conf file in /etc/salt/master.d

2. Input the following:

reactor:

- 'salt/minion/\*/start:

- 'srv/reactor/start.sls

3. Save and exit the file.

4. create the /srv/reactor directory

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mkdir /srv/reactor
```

5. Edit the /srv/reactor/start.sls file.

Here we'll use some Jinja templating to create the reactor file.

```
{% if data['id'] == 'dev_db*' %}
```

highstate\_run:

```
cmd.state.highstate:
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```
-tgt: 'dev_db*'
```

```
{% endif %}
```

## Verify and troubleshoot the reactor.

1. Execute the script *eventlisten.py* by running the following:

```
python eventlisten.py.
```

2. On the salt minion run the following command:

```
salt-call event.fire_master '{"id": "dev_db*"}' 'start'
```