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0x1A. Application server

DevOps

SysAdmin

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Concepts

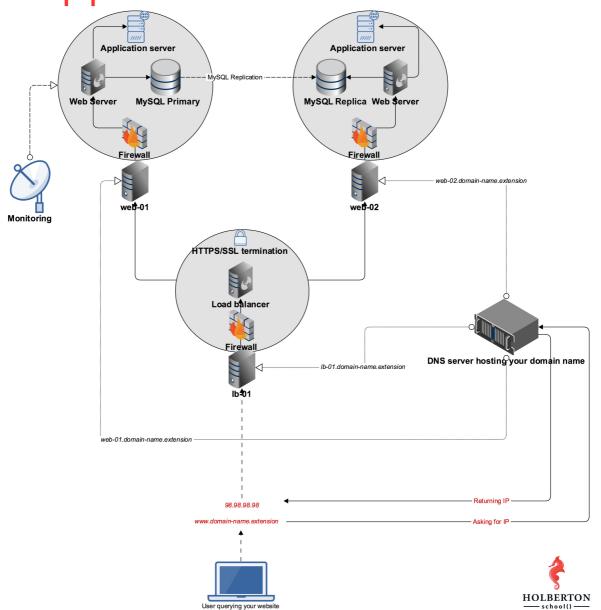
For this project, we expect you to look at these concepts:

- Web Server (/concepts/17)
- Server (/concepts/67)
- Web stack debugging (/concepts/68)



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Application server



Background Context

(https://youtu.be/pSrKT7m4Ego)

Your web infrastructure is already serving web pages via Nginx that you installed in your first web stack project (/rltoken/95oRNZ-zRGwLxtWECJqsWA). While a web server can also serve dynamic content, this task is usually given to an application server. In this project you will add this piece to your infrastructure, plug it to your Nginx and make is serve your Airbnb clone project.

Resources

Read or watch:

- Application server vs web server (/rltoken/B9fOBzlxX_t1289WAuRzJw)
- How to Serve a Flask Application with Gunicorn and Nginx on Ubuntu 16.04
 (/rltoken/kpG6RwmwRJHzRmGUM_ERcA) (As mentioned in the video, do not install Gunicorn
 using virtualenv, just install everything globally)
- Running Gunicorn (/rltoken/2LF1j7xKJGYaUtD1HKgUeQ)

- Be careful with the way Flask manages slash (/rltoken/IEg0zpkkDcLtdl3VD4ACRQ) in route
 (/rltoken/Zn8fYk-U9YRm7Z5Coqqb0g) strict_slashes
 - Upstart documentation (/rltoken/cldrneY3Qr7LIDysygzRHw)

Requirements

General

- A README.md file, at the root of the folder of the project, is mandatory
- Everything Python-related must be done using python3
- · All config files must have comments

Bash Scripts

- All your files will be interpreted on Ubuntu 16.04 LTS
- All your files should end with a new line
- All your Bash script files must be executable
- Your Bash script must pass Shellcheck (version 0.3.7-5~ubuntu16.04.1 via apt-get) without any error
- The first line of all your Bash scripts should be exactly #!/usr/bin/env bash
- The second line of all your Bash scripts should be a comment explaining what is the script doing

Your servers

ame	Username	IP	State	
18715-web-01	ubuntu	54.146.78.93	running	Actions ▼
8715-web-02	ubuntu	3.85.168.10	running	Actions ▼
8715-lb-01	ubuntu	54.242.198.186	running	Actions ▼

Tasks

0. Set up development with Python

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Let's serve what you built for AirBnB clone v2 - Web framework (/rltoken/uEAW4JG-DyhtSjYNP9o1mQ) on web-01. This task is an exercise in setting up your development environment, which is used for testing and debugging your code before deploying it to production.

Requirements:



- Make sure that task #3 (/rltoken/ecvps9dl2mv1QUu3dn99mA) of your SSH project (/rltoken/7-lshY-qe4ZxKabnC7pY4Q) is completed for web-01. The checker will connect to your servers.
 - Install the net-tools package on your server. sudo apt install -y net-tools
 - Git clone your AirBnB clone v2 on your web-01 server.
 - Configure the file web_flask/0-hello_route.py to serve its content from the route /airbnb-onepage/ on port 5000.
 - Your Flask application object must be named app (This will allow us to run and check your code).

Example:

Window 1:

ubuntu@229-web-01:~/AirBnB_clone_v2\$ python3 -m web_flask.0-hello_route
 * Serving Flask app "0-hello route" (lazy loading)

* Environment: production
WARNING: Do not use the development server in a production environment.
Use a production WSGI server instead.

* Debug mode: off

* Running on http://0.0.0.0:5000/ (Press CTRL+C to quit)

35.231.193.217 - - [02/May/2019 22:19:42] "GET /airbnb-onepage/ HTTP/1.1" 200 -

Window 2:

ubuntu@229-web-01:~/AirBnB_clone_v2\$ curl 127.0.0.1:5000/airbnb-onepage/Hello HBNB!ubuntu@229-web-01:~/AirBnB clone v2\$

Repo:

• GitHub repository: alx-system engineering-devops

• Directory: 0x1A-application_server

• File: README.md

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1. Set up production with Gunicorn

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Now that you have your development environment set up, let's get your production application server set up with <code>Gunicorn</code> on <code>web-01</code>, port <code>5000</code>. You'll need to install <code>Gunicorn</code> and any libraries required by your application. Your <code>Flask</code> application object will serve as a WSGI (/rltoken/laAZ7A8IYGkO9Ah9uwL39Q) entry point into your application. This will be your production environment. As you can see we want the production and development of your application to use the same port, so the conditions for serving your dynamic content are the same in both environments.

Requirements:

- Install Gunicorn and any other libraries required by your application.
- The Flask application object should be called app. (This will allow us to run and check your code)
- You will serve the same content from the same route as in the previous task. You can verify that it's working by binding a <code>Gunicorn</code> instance to localhost listening on port <code>5000</code> with your application object as the entry point.

• In order to check your code, the checker will bind a Gunicorn instance to port 6000, so make sure nothing is listening on that port.

Example:

Terminal 1:

```
ubuntu@229-web-01:~/AirBnB_clone_v2$ gunicorn --bind 0.0.0.0:5000 web_flask.0-he_
lo_route:app
[2019-05-03 20:47:20 +0000] [3595] [INFO] Starting gunicorn 19.9.0
[2019-05-03 20:47:20 +0000] [3595] [INFO] Listening at: http://0.0.0.0:5000 (3595)
[2019-05-03 20:47:20 +0000] [3595] [INFO] Using worker: sync
[2019-05-03 20:47:20 +0000] [3598] [INFO] Booting worker with pid: 3598
```

Terminal 2:

```
ubuntu@229-web-01:~$ curl 127.0.0.1:5000/airbnb-onepage/
Hello HBNB!ubuntu@229-web-01:~$
```

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2. Serve a page with Nginx

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Building on your work in the previous tasks, configure Nginx to serve your page from the route /airbnb-onepage/

Requirements:

- Nginx must serve this page both locally and on its public IP on port 80.
- Nginx should proxy requests to the process listening on port 5000.
- Include your Nginx config file as 2-app_server-nginx_config.

Notes:

- In order to test this you'll have to spin up either your production or development application server (listening on port 5000)
- In an actual production environment the application server will be configured to start upon startup in a system initialization script. This will be covered in the advanced tasks.
- You will probably need to reboot your server (by using the command \$ sudo reboot) to have
 Nginx publicly accessible

Example:

On my server:

Window 1:

```
pountu@229-web-01:~/AirBnB_clone_v2$ gunicorn --bind 0.0.0.0:5000 web_flask.0-he_
lo_route:app
[2019-05-06 20:43:57 +0000] [14026] [INFO] Starting gunicorn 19.9.0
[2019-05-06 20:43:57 +0000] [14026] [INFO] Listening at: http://0.0.0.0:5000 (14026)
[2019-05-06 20:43:57 +0000] [14026] [INFO] Using worker: sync
[2019-05-06 20:43:57 +0000] [14029] [INFO] Booting worker with pid: 14029
```

Window 2:

```
\label{lone_v2} $$ ubuntu@229-web-01:$$ ~/AirBnB_clone_v2$ curl 127.0.0.1/airbnb-onepage/Hello HBNB!ubuntu@229-web-01:$$ ~/AirBnB_clone_v2$$
```

On my local terminal:

```
vagrant@ubuntu-xenial:~$ curl -sI 35.231.193.217/airbnb-onepage/
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Server: nginx/1.10.3 (Ubuntu)
Date: Mon, 06 May 2019 20:44:55 GMT
Content-Type: text/html; charset=utf-8
Content-Length: 11
Connection: keep-alive
X-Served-By: 229-web-01

vagrant@ubuntu-xenial:~$ curl 35.231.193.217/airbnb-onepage/
Hello HBNB!vagrant@ubuntu-xenial:~$
```

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- Directory: 0x1A-application server
- File: 2-app_server-nginx_config

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3. Add a route with query parameters

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Building on what you did in the previous tasks, let's expand our web application by adding another service for <code>Gunicorn</code> to handle. In <code>AirBnB_clone_v2/web_flask/6-number_odd_or_even</code>, the route <code>/number_odd_or_even/<int:n></code> should already be defined to render a page telling you whether an integer is odd or even. You'll need to configure <code>Nginx</code> to proxy HTTP requests to the route <code>/airbnb-dynamic/number_odd_or_even/(any integer)</code> to a <code>Gunicorn</code> instance listening on port <code>5001</code>. The key to this exercise is getting <code>Nginx</code> configured to proxy requests to processes listening on two different ports. You are not expected to keep your application server processes running. If you want to know how to run multiple instances of <code>Gunicorn</code> without having multiple terminals open, see tips below.

Requirements:

• Nginx must serve this page both locally and on its public IP on port 80.

- Nginx should proxy requests to the route /airbnb-dynamic/number_odd_or_even/(any integer) the process listening on port 5001.
 - include your Nginx config file as 3-app server-nginx config.

Tips:

- Check out these articles/docs for clues on how to configure Nginx: Understanding Nginx Server and Location Block Selection Algorithms (/rltoken/0xFZ6umndhlH19cSGFnexg), Understanding Nginx Location Blocks Rewrite Rules (/rltoken/ogjtMopkJjRSToliXzemGQ), Nginx Reverse Proxy (/rltoken/80-01TMh2X22EmYNps0X-Q).
- In order to spin up a <code>Gunicorn</code> instance as a detached process you can use the terminal multiplexer utility <code>tmux.Enter</code> the command <code>tmux new-session -d 'gunicorn --bind 0.0.0.0:5001 web_flask.6-number_odd_or_even:app' and if successful you should see no output to the screen. You can verify that the process has been created by running <code>pgrep gunicorn</code> to see its PID. Once you're ready to end the process you can either run <code>tmux a to reattach</code> to the processes, or you can run <code>kill <PID></code> to terminate the background process by ID.</code>

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Terminal 1:

```
ppuntu@229-web-01:~/AirBnB_clone_v2$ tmux new-session -d 'gunicorn --bind 0.0.0. 0:5000 web_flask.0-hello_route:app'
ubuntu@229-web-01:~/AirBnB clone v2$ pgrep gunicorn
1661
1665
ubuntu@229-web-01:~/AirBnB clone v2$ tmux new-session -d 'gunicorn --bind 0.0.0.
0:5001 web flask.6-number odd or even:app'
ubuntu@229-web-01:~/AirBnB clone v2$ pgrep gunicorn
1661
1665
1684
1688
ubuntu@229-web-01:~/AirBnB clone v2$ curl 127.0.0.1:5000/airbnb-onepage/
Hello HBNB!ubuntu@229-web-01:~/AirBnB clone v2$
ubuntu@229-web-01:~/AirBnB clone v2$ curl 127.0.0.1:5001/number odd or even/6
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
  <HEAD>
    <TITLE>HBNB</TITLE>
  </HEAD>
  <BODY><H1>Number: 6 is even</H1></BODY>
</HTML>ubuntu@229-web-01:~/AirBnB clone v2
ubuntu@229-web-01:~$
ubuntu@229-web-01:~/AirBnB clone v2$ curl 127.0.0.1/airbnb-dynamic/number odd or
even/5
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
 <HEAD>
    <TITLE>HBNB</TITLE>
  </HEAD>
  <BODY><H1>Number: 5 is odd</H1></BODY>
</html>ubuntu@229-web-01:~/AirBnB clone v2$
```

Local machine:

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- **GitHub repository:** alx-system_engineering-devops
- Directory: 0x1A-application server
- File: 3-app server-nginx config



4. Let's do this for your API

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Let's serve what you built for AirBnB clone v3 - RESTful API (/rltoken/QXJ9ryafcRfd_cARiugRiQ) on web-01.

Requirements:

- Git clone your AirBnB clone v3
- Setup Nginx so that the route /api/ points to a Gunicorn instance listening on port 5002
- Nginx must serve this page both locally and on its public IP on port 80
- To test your setup you should bind Gunicorn to api/v1/app.py
- It may be helpful to import your data (and environment variables) from this project (/rltoken/ZSQFQJPNTKrRdXynG6PWEw)
- Upload your Nginx config file as 4-app_server-nginx_config

Example:

Terminal 1:

```
ubuntu@229-web-01:~/AirBnB clone v3$ tmux new-session -d 'gunicorn --bind 0.0.0.
0:5002 api.v1.app:app'
ubuntu@229-web-01:~/AirBnB clone v3$ curl 127.0.0.1:5002/api/v1/states
[{" class ":"State", "created at":"2019-05-10T00:39:27.032802", "id":"7512f664-49
51-4231-8de9-b18d940cc912", "name": "California", "updated at": "2019-05-10T00: 39:27.
032965"},{" class ":"State","created at":"2019-05-10T00:39:36.021219","id":"b25
625c8-8a7a-4c1f-8afc-257bf9f76bc8", "name": "Arizona", "updated at": "2019-05-10T00:3
9:36.021281"}]
ubuntu@229-web-01:~/AirBnB clone v3$
ubuntu@229-web-01:~/AirBnB clone v3$ curl 127.0.0.1/api/v1/states
[{" class ":"State", "created at":"2019-05-10T00:39:27.032802", "id":"7512f664-49
51-4231-8de9-b18d940cc912", "name": "California", "updated at": "2019-05-10T00: 39:27.
032965"},{" class ":"State","created at":"2019-05-10T00:39:36.021219","id":"b25
625c8-8a7a-4c1f-8afc-257bf9f76bc8", "name": "Arizona", "updated at": "2019-05-10T00:3
9:36.021281"}]
ubuntu@229-web-01:~/AirBnB clone v3$
```

Local Terminal:

```
vagrant@ubuntu-xenial:~$ curl 35.231.193.217/api/v1/states
[{"__class__":"State","created_at":"2019-05-10T00:39:27.032802","id":"7512f664-49
51-4231-8de9-b18d940cc912","name":"California","updated_at":"2019-05-10T00:39:27.
032965"},{"__class__":"State","created_at":"2019-05-10T00:39:36.021219","id":"b25
625c8-8a7a-4c1f-8afc-257bf9f76bc8","name":"Arizona","updated_at":"2019-05-10T00:3
9:36.021281"}]
vagrant@ubuntu-xenial:~$
```

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• File: 4-app_server-nginx_config
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5. Serve your AirBnB clone

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Let's serve what you built for AirBnB clone - Web dynamic (/rltoken/RxqcMPx7OaDUPPtQfGJDUg) on web-01.

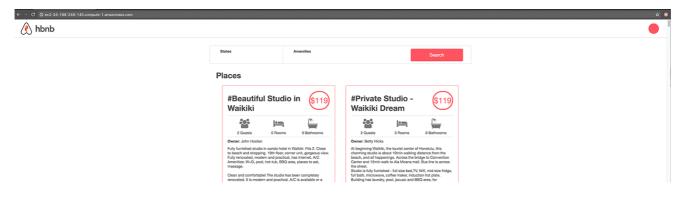
Requirements:

• Git clone your AirBnB_clone_v4

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- Your Gunicorn instance should serve content from web dynamic/2-hbnb.py on port 5003
- Setup Nginx so that the route / points to your Gunicorn instance
- Setup Nginx so that it properly serves the static assets found in web_dynamic/static/ (this is essential for your page to render properly)
- For your website to be fully functional, you will need to reconfigure web_dynamic/static/scripts/2-hbnb.js to the correct IP
- Nginx must serve this page both locally and on its public IP and port 5003
- Make sure to pull up your Developer Tools on your favorite browser to verify that you have no errors
- Upload your Nginx config as 5-app_server-nginx_config

After loading, your website should look like this:



Repo:

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- Directory: 0x1A-application_server
- File: 5-app server-nginx config

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6. Deploy it!

#advanced

Once you've got your application server configured, you want to set it up to run by default when Linux is both ted. This way when your server inevitably requires downtime (you have to shut it down or restart it for one reason or another), your Gunicorn process(es) will start up as part of the system initialization process, freeing you from having to manually restart them. For this we will use systemd. You can read more about systemd in the documentation posted at the top of this project but to put it succinctly, it is a system initialization daemon for the Linux OS (amongst other things). For this task you will write a systemd script which will start your application server for you. As mentioned in the video at the top of the project, you do not need to create a Unix socket to bind the process to.

Requirements:

- Write a systemd script which starts a Gunicorn process to serve the same content as the previous task (web dynamic/2-hbnb.py)
- The Gunicorn process should spawn 3 worker processes
- The process should log errors in /tmp/airbnb-error.log
- The process should log access in /tmp/airbnb-access.log
- The process should be bound to port 5003
- Your systemd script should be stored in the appropriate directory on web-01
- Make sure that you start the systemd service and leave it running
- Upload gunicorn.service to GitHub

```
bob@dylan:~$ curl -s 127.0.0.1:5003/2-hbnb | tail -5
   </div>
   <footer>
     Holberton School
   </footer>
 </body>
</html>
bob@dylan:~$
bob@dylan:~$ curl -s 12.13.14.15/ | tail -5
   </div>
   <footer>
     Holberton School
    </footer>
 </body>
</html>
bob@dylan:~$
```

Repo:

- GitHub repository: alx-system engineering-devops
- Directory: 0x1A-application server
- File: gunicorn.service



7. No service interruption

#advanced

One of the most important metrics for any Internet-based business is its uptime. It is the percentage of the time over a given period that the service/product is accessible to customers. Let's pick the example of Amazon.com, for every minute of downtime (which is the opposite of uptime), it costs the company \$2M (/rltoken/WIROrYnv76JgX8Q-ikTqlw). Yet, application servers often need to restart to update with the new version of the code or new configuration, when doing this operation, an application server cannot serve traffic, which meant downtime.

To avoid this; application servers are designed with a master/workers infrastructure. The master is in charge of:

- Receiving requests
- Managing workers (starting, stopping)
- Distributing requests to workers

Workers are the actual ones processing the query by generation dynamic content by processing the application code.

To update an application without downtime, the master will proceed with a progressive rollout of the update. It will gracefully shut down some workers (meaning that it will tell workers to finish processing the request they are working on, but will not send them new requests, once the worker is done, it's will be shutdown) and start new ones with the new application code or configuration, then move on to the other old workers until it has renewed the whole pool.

Write a simple Bash script to reload Gunicorn in a graceful way.

Example:

```
Molvain@ubuntu$ ps auxf | grep gunicorn
        9376 2.2 3.6 58068 18320 pts/3 S+ 19:25 0:00 | \_ /home/va
grant/AirBnB_clone_v4/bin/python3 /home/vagrant/AirBnB_clone_v4/bin/gunicorn --bi
nd 0.0.0.0:8001 --workers 4 web flask.0-hello route:app
vagrant 9379 2.6 4.6 82800 23116 pts/3 S+ 19:25 0:00 |
                                                                 \ /hom
e/vagrant/AirBnB clone v4/bin/python3 /home/vagrant/AirBnB clone v4/bin/gunicorn
--bind 0.0.0.0:8001 --workers 4 web flask.0-hello route:app
vagrant 9380 2.6 4.6 82804 23120 pts/3 S+ 19:25 0:00 |
                                                                    \ /hom
e/vagrant/AirBnB clone v4/bin/python3 /home/vagrant/AirBnB clone v4/bin/gunicorn
--bind 0.0.0.0:8001 --workers 4 web flask.0-hello route:app
vagrant 9381 2.4 4.6 82808 23128 pts/3 S+ 19:25 0:00 |
e/vagrant/AirBnB clone v4/bin/python3 /home/vagrant/AirBnB clone v4/bin/gunicorn
--bind 0.0.0.0:8001 --workers 4 web flask.0-hello route:app
        9383 2.4 4.6 82816 23136 pts/3 S+ 19:25
                                                       0:00
e/vagrant/AirBnB clone v4/bin/python3 /home/vagrant/AirBnB clone v4/bin/gunicorn
--bind 0.0.0.0:8001 --workers 4 web flask.0-hello route:app
vagrant 9388 0.0 0.1 10460 940 pts/2 S+ 19:25 0:00
                                                               \ grep --c
olor=auto gunicorn
sylvain@ubuntu$ ./4-reload gunicorn no downtime
sylvain@ubuntu$ ps auxf | grep gunicorn
vagrant 9376 1.0 3.6 58068 18368 pts/3 S+ 19:25 0:00 | \ /home/va
grant/AirBnB clone v4/bin/python3 /home/vagrant/AirBnB clone v4/bin/gunicorn --bi
nd 0.0.0.0:8001 --workers 4 web flask.0-hello route:app
vagrant 9393 6.5 4.6 82832 23168 pts/3 S+ 19:25 0:00 |
                                                                    \ /hom
e/vagrant/AirBnB clone v4/bin/python3 /home/vagrant/AirBnB clone v4/bin/gunicorn
--bind 0.0.0.0:8001 --workers 4 web flask.0-hello route:app
vagrant 9394 6.5 4.6 82832 23172 pts/3 S+ 19:25 0:00 |
                                                                \ /hom
e/vagrant/AirBnB clone v4/bin/python3 /home/vagrant/AirBnB clone v4/bin/gunicorn
--bind 0.0.0.0:8001 --workers 4 web flask.0-hello route:app
vagrant 9395 6.0 4.6 82840 23180 pts/3 S+ 19:25
                                                       0:00
e/vagrant/AirBnB clone v4/bin/python3 /home/vagrant/AirBnB clone v4/bin/gunicorn
--bind 0.0.0.0:8001 --workers 4 web flask.0-hello route:app
       9396 7.0 4.6 82844 23188 pts/3 S+ 19:25 0:00 |
e/vagrant/AirBnB clone v4/bin/python3 /home/vagrant/AirBnB clone v4/bin/gunicorn
--bind 0.0.0.0:8001 --workers 4 web flask.0-hello route:app
vagrant 9402 0.0 0.1 10460 936 pts/2 S+ 19:25 0:00
                                                              \ grep --c
olor=auto gunicorn
sylvain@ubuntu$
```

In this example, you can see that my Bash script tells the master Gunicorn renewed all the workers.

For testing it, please use the command \$ sudo reboot to reboot your server (not shutdown!!)

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- File: 4-reload gunicorn no downtime

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