

Qoala- DevOps Assignment: Debugging and Deploying Dockerized Application

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Overview

- Deployed a Flask application using Nginx as a reverse proxy with Docker for container management.

Challenges & Resolutions

Screenshots for the errors are attached herewith : [Error SS](#)

1. Docker Image Build Errors

- **Issue:** Typos in `Dockerfile`, `nginx.conf` and `docker-compose.yml`.
- **Solution:** Fixed syntax, port issues, and file paths, defined the `build` directive in `docker-compose.yml` to streamline image building and ensure consistent deployments directly within the compose configuration.

2. Changes in Dockerfile

- **Issue:** Missing `HTML` file, incorrect port, and command configurations prevented proper application setup.
- **Solution:** Adjusted file paths, set the correct port, and updated commands to ensure everything runs smoothly.

3. Zero MAC Address Display

- **Issue:** Docker's virtual network displayed a zero MAC address as it accessed the virtual MAC address before encountering a real MAC address.
- **Solution:** Updated the code to check only the `eth0` interface, where the real MAC address is usually present, and return "N/A" if unavailable.

Resolution Steps

Screenshots for the resolved issues are attached herewith : [Succ SS](#)

1. Dockerfile Corrections:

- Corrected incorrect package installations, `Dockerfile` syntax, and paths, specifically within the `COPY` commands, `EXPOSE` statements, and `CMD` command.
- Built the Docker images after implementing these corrections and confirmed successful build completion.

2. Configuration Fixes:

- Updated `nginx.conf` to properly route requests to the Python application via the `proxy_pass` directive, and resolved syntax errors in the worker and connection settings.
- 3. **Testing and Verification:**
 - Conducted tests in a local environment by accessing the application through `http://localhost:80`, confirming a successful connection to the Python app.
 - Verified that the Nginx access logs accurately reflected request entries, indicating successful requests to the Flask application.
- 4. **Docker Image Build and Deployment:**
 - Defined the `build` directive in the `docker-compose.yml` to facilitate streamlined image building, ensuring consistency in deployments.
- 5. **HTML File and Command Adjustments:**
 - Created the `HTML` file, corrected port settings, and command configurations in the `Dockerfile` to ensure proper application setup and functionality.
- 6. **MAC Address Handling:**
 - Updated the code to restrict MAC address retrieval to the `'eth0'` interface, ensuring that a valid MAC address is returned and defaulting to "N/A" if it is not available.

AWS Endpoint Creation (Public IPv4 address : 13.235.49.80)

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Reference screenshots : [AWS_SS](#)

1. **EC2 Instance Setup:**
 - Ubuntu server is selected in the Mumbai region.
 - Security settings are configured to allow traffic on ports 80.
 - RSA key is set up for secure SSH access.
2. **Connecting to the Server:**
 - Adjusted key file permissions and connected to the server via SSH.
3. **File Transfer:**
 - Project files copied to the server, excluding unnecessary files and folders.
4. **Installing Docker:**
 - The server is updated, and Docker along with Docker Compose is installed to facilitate deployment.
5. **Application Deployment:**
 - The application is started on the server using Docker Compose.
6. **Deployment Verification:**
 - Docker is verified to be running, and the application is confirmed to be accessible on the specified ports(80).

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