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# Has anyone tried load balancing plex servers?

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I was just wondering if the community has experimented with testing a multi server setup? For example, I'm envisioning 2 plex servers configured to use the same meta-data, and media, with a HAProxy server in the front end that I can use to distribute the load across. Just wondering if anyone's tried something like this?

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I have seen remote transcoding. Not sure if that's what you're 100% looking for.  
<https://github.com/wnielson/Plex-Remote-Transcoder>

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I do this as well - two servers with identical content (synced daily via rsync) located in two different geographic locations. I also sync the Metadata between the two with some custom scripts that merges the watch states. Both servers are under a single account.

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The reason it would be nice to have the same server IDs then you don't have to worry about managing multiple server shares.

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Yes I do this, you are overthinking it a bit, you just need to run two or more instances of Plex on different servers, assign different users to different servers respectively?

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I don't think your approach with work though. Your Plex server communicate with Plex after it starts for authentication. I don't know what will happen if two sever with the same id connected at the same time. Plex is not designed to run in a cluster. You may try it but I think it will cause unknown bugs.

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