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Interface Design Description

Abstract

This document describes a HTTP protocol with TLS payload security and JSON payload encoding variant of the **query-by-system** service.

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1 Overview

This document describes the **query-by-system** service interface, which enables the systems to query for specific system details based on system parameters. It's implemented using protocol, encoding as stated in the following table:

Profile ype	Type	Version
Transfer protocol	HTTP	1.1
Data encryption	TLS	1.3
Encoding	JSON	RFC 8259 [1]
Compression	N/A	-

Table 1: Communication and sematics details used for the **query-by-system** service interface

This document provides the Interface Design Description IDD to the *query-by-system – Service Description* document. For further details about how this service is meant to be used, please consult that document.

The rest of this document describes how to realize the query-by-system service HTTP/TLS/JSON interface in details.

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2 Interface Description

The service responses with the status code `200 Created` if called successfully. The error codes are, `400 Bad Request` if request is malformed, `401 Unauthorized` if improper client side certificate is provided, `500 Internal Server Error` if Service Registry is unavailable.

```
1  POST /serviceregistry/query/system HTTP/1.1
2
3  {
4      "address": "192.168.0.101",
5      "authenticationInfo": "public key of the client certificate",
6      "port": 8080,
7      "metadata": {
8          "location": "building-a"
9      },
10     "systemName": "exampleprovider"
11 }
```

Listing 1: A query-by-system invocation.

```
1  {
2      "id": 4,
3      "systemName": "exampleprovider",
4      "address": "192.168.0.101",
5      "port": 8080,
6      "authenticationInfo": "public key of the client certificate",
7      "metadata": {
8          "location": "building-a"
9      },
10     "createdAt": "2020-03-18T22:13:32.143",
11     "updatedAt": "2020-03-18T22:13:32.143"
12 }
```

Listing 2: A query-by-system response.

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3 Data Models

Here, all data objects that can be part of the service calls associated with this service are listed in alphabetic order. Note that each subsection, which describes one type of object, begins with the *struct* keyword, which is meant to denote a JSON Object that must contain certain fields, or names, with values conforming to explicitly named types. As a complement to the primary types defined in this section, there is also a list of secondary types in Section 3.2.3, which are used to represent things like hashes, identifiers and texts.

3.1 struct SystemRequest

This structure is used to query for a system.

Field	Type	Mandatory	Description
address	Address	yes	A string representation of the network address.
authenticationInfo	String	no	Public key of the client certificate.
metadata	Metadata	no	Metadata
port	PortNumber	yes	Port of the system.
systemName	Name	yes	Name of the system.

3.1.1 struct Metadata

A JSON Object which maps String key-value pairs.

3.2 struct SystemResponse

Field	Type	Description
address	Address	A string representation of the network address.
authenticationInfo	String	Public key of the client certificate.
createdAt	DateTime	System instance record was created at this UTC timestamp.
id	Number	Identifier of the system instance
metadata	Metadata	Metadata
port	PortNumber	Port of the system.
systemName	Name	Name of the system.
updatedAt	DateTime	System instance record was modified at this UTC timestamp.

3.2.2 struct Metadata

A JSON Object which maps String key-value pairs.

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3.2.3 Primitives

As all messages are encoded using the JSON format [2], the following primitive constructs, part of that standard, become available. Note that the official standard is defined in terms of parsing rules, while this list only concerns syntactic information.

JSON Type	Description
Value	Any out of Object, Array, String, Number, Boolean or Null.
Object <A>	An unordered collection of [String: Value] pairs, where each Value conforms to type A.
Array <A>	An ordered collection of Value elements, where each element conforms to type A.
String	An arbitrary UTF-8 string.
Number	Any IEEE 754 binary64 floating point number [3], except for *+Inf*, *-Inf* and *NaN*.
Boolean	One out of `true` or `false`.
Null	Must be `null`.

With these primitives now available, we proceed to define all the types specified in the **query-by-system** SD document without a direct equivalent among the JSON types. Concretely, we define the **query-by-system** SD primitives either as *aliases* or *structs*. An *alias* is a renaming of an existing type, but with some further details about how it is intended to be used. Structs are described in the beginning of the parent section. The types are listed by name in alphabetical order.

3.2.4 alias DateTime = String

Pinpoints a moment in time in the format of ISO8601 standard "yyyy-mm-ddThh:mm:ss", where "yyy" denotes year (4 digits), "mm" denotes month starting from 01, "dd" denotes day starting from 01, "T" is the separator between date and time part, "hh" denotes hour in the 24-hour format (00-23), "MM" denotes minute (00-59), "SS" denotes second (00-59). " " is used as separator between the date and the time. An example of a valid date/time string is "2020-12-05T12:00:00"

3.2.5 alias id = Number

An identifier generated for each Object that enables to distinguish them and later to refer to a specific Object.

3.2.6 alias Name = String

A String indentifier that is intended to be both human and machine-readable.

3.2.7 alias PortNumber = Number

Decimal Number in the range of 0-65535.

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