

Distributed Systems (2022-2023)

Assignment 2: Microservices

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Course Layout

- Theoretical exam (50%)
- Two assignments: Webservices & Microservices (50%)
 - Introductory session
 - Self-contained & equally weighted



Goal :

- Learn how to decompose a scenario in microservices
- Learn how to implement a microservice architecture using Docker / Podman

Requirements:

- Decompose a scenario in microservices
- You should make graceful failure possible
- Implement a microservice architecture using Docker / Podman



Good to know :

- Toy problem, so don't focus on real-world problems
 - i.e., **no** security, SQL injections, ... **required**
- You will be provided a UI script, take a look at it before implementing
- Don't reinvent the wheel, check Dockerhub for useful images



Requirements:

- Given a set of Features:
 - Decompose in Microservices
 - Determine data storage needs for each microservice
 - Determine connections between microservices
- Implement Features using Docker.
- You should use REST for all communication between microservices!



Tools:

- python3 (using Flask & Flask-RESTful)
- Docker & Docker-compose / Podman & Podman-compose
- Any database dialect

Deliverables:

- Report of the decomposed scenario (in PDF format).
- Report the endpoints of implemented features (similar to Assignment 1).
- Docker architecture implementing selected features.
- Small demo of your microservice architecture.



Submission

The Lab

- Deadline: 16 May 2023 23:59.
- Create zip as "DS-Assignment2-Snumber-LastName.zip" including solution files.
 - i.e., DS-Assignment2-s0164228- Vandersmissen.zip
- The report should be in the PDF format (add your name).
- Submit through Blackboard.
- Copying or showing solutions among students is not allowed.
- Each student works individually.
- You should explain and comment each part of your code.

Demo:

- Demo: 24 May 2023
- PS: detailed information will be announced later.





Questions?

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