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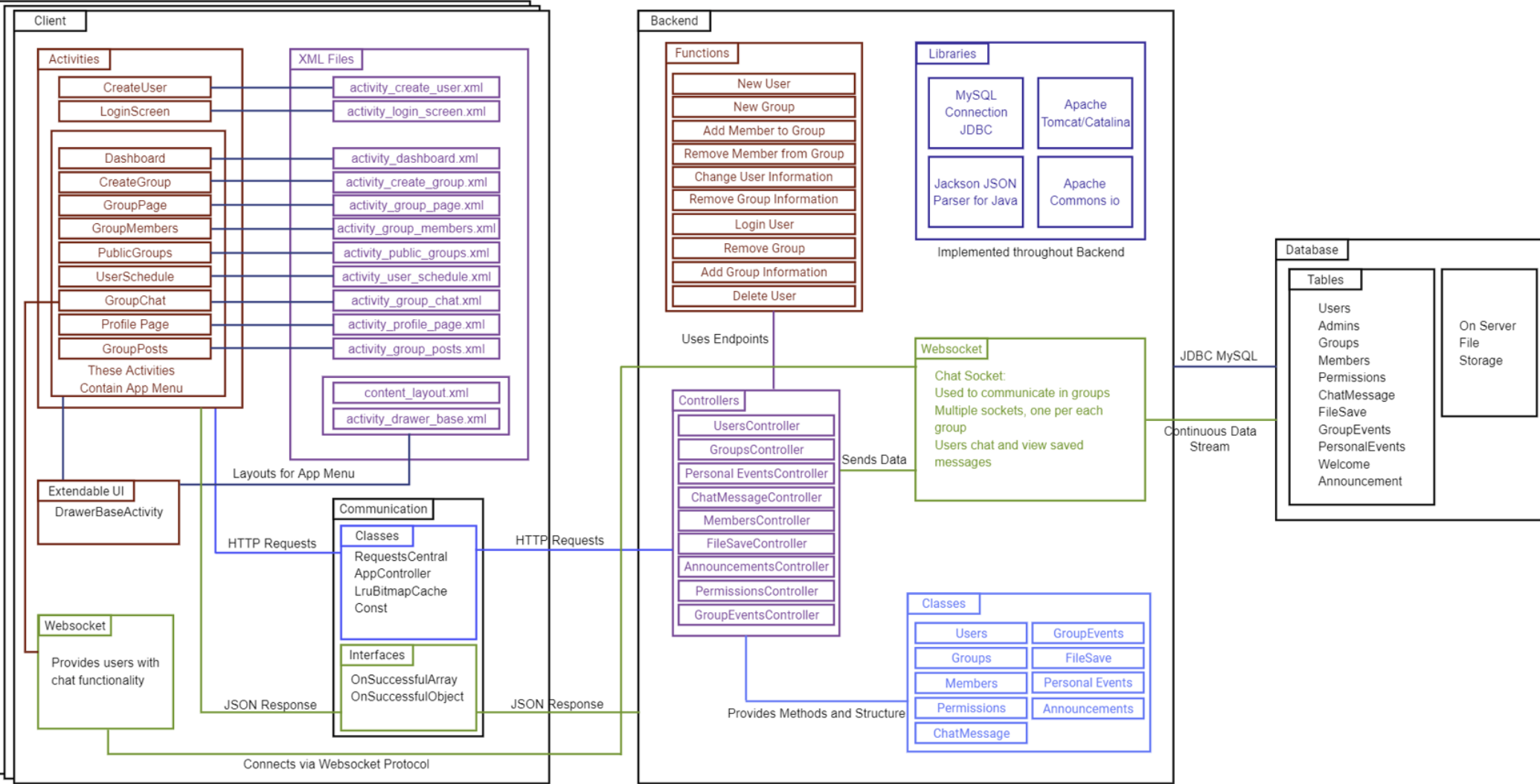
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Project Description

Android Requests

All HTTP requests sent from the client will make use of the class we have implemented, “RequestsCentral”. Requests central will have methods for any type of Volley Request used. RequestsCentral methods always take a URL as a parameter, any object being sent as part of a request, and an instance of an appropriate interface. These interfaces will have a method called onSuccess() to be called within the onResponse() method of a Volley Request. Whenever a RequestsCentral method is called, the onSuccess() method from the appropriate interface will need to be implemented. This will help us pass the response from the server into the activity the request is called from, allow us to keep all requests in one class, reducing code duplication, and handle the response differently depending on the purpose of the request.

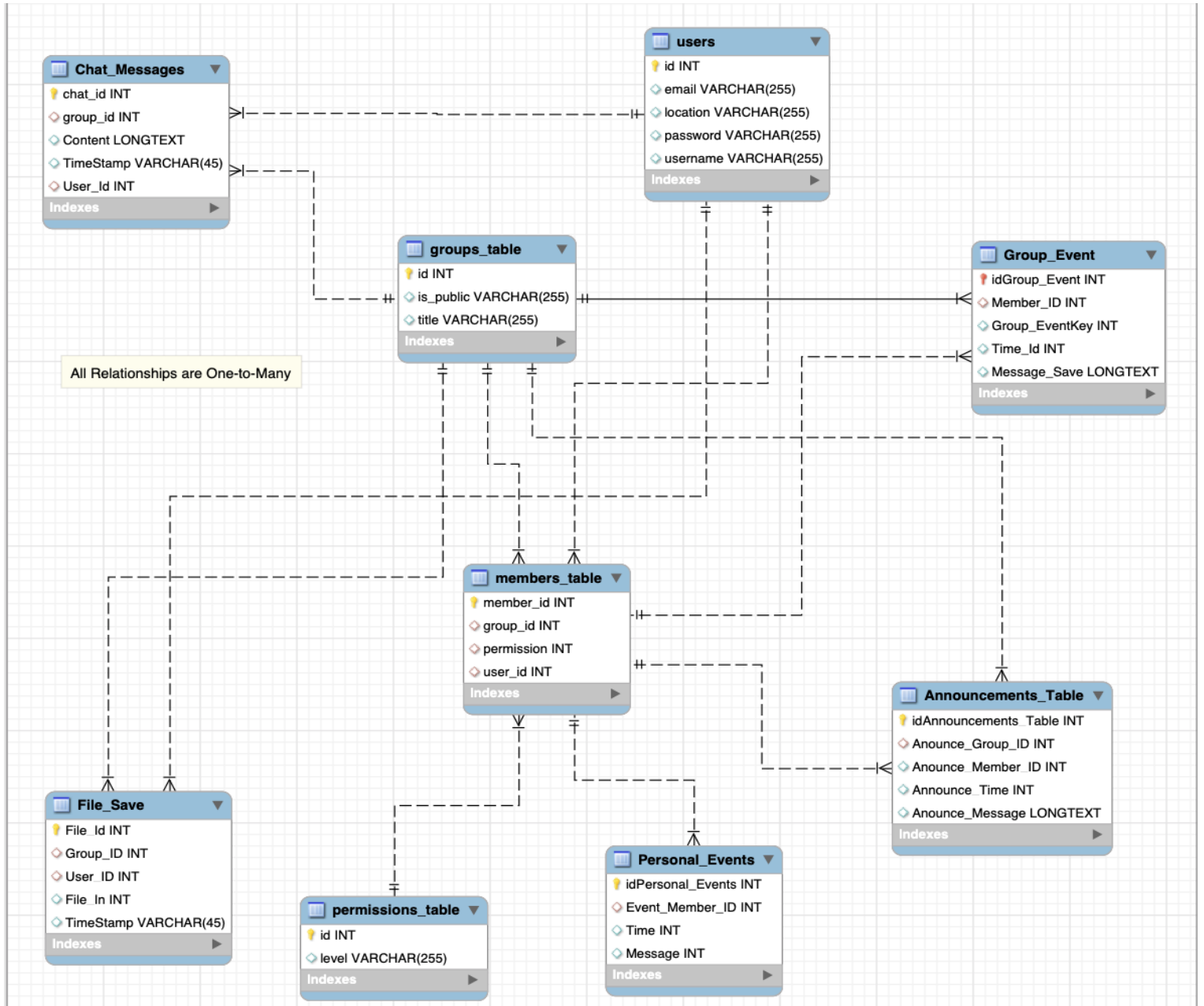
Android User GUI

The application’s front-end consists of several activity Java classes and their corresponding XML layouts. Each activity represents a screen of the application and processes most of its own logical operations. However, some of the activities that need access to a common functionality like main menu and page action bar extends the base class DrawerBaseActivity that provides such functionality. This helps keep the code clean and scalable should we decide to add more screens to our application. Having an extendable base class also makes it easy to maintain activities that do not need the functionality since we can choose which screens get the attributes. All of the activities communicate with the backend whenever they need via helper classes and interfaces as described above.

Controllers

Each of the 9 tables have the basic create, read, update, delete, and list functionality. These requests form the basis of the rest of the functionality in our project. Because all of our relationships in our database are many to one, the Controllers all have similar layouts and purposes. We have laid out the endpoints to all follow the same naming conventions to help keep the code clear and easy to understand. The format includes /class/new for the create endpoint, /class/id for the targeted read endpoint, /class/id as well to specify which instance of the class to update, /class/id again to delete instead of change, and /class/ to get a list of all of the saved instances in the database. The Android application uses these endpoints for each table to get and process the information needed to run the project. The Backend uses Repositories to save and retrieve the given classes. We are also using a Websocket system to provide a better channel for our chat feature to operate. This allows us to only open the communication line once and then send data back and forth using the WS protocol whenever we need to.

Relationships Diagram



Tables and Fields and Relationships

*All relationships listed below are ONE-to-MANY relationships

Chat_Messages

chat_id (Primary Key)
group_id (Foreign Key linked with groups_table: id)
Content
TimeStamp
User_id (Foreign Key linked with users: id)

users

id (Primary Key)
email
location
password
username

groups_table

id (Primary Key)
is_public
title

File_Save

File_Id
Group_ID (Foreign Key linked with groups_table: id)
User_ID (Foreign Key linked with users: id)
File_In
TimeStamp

permissions_table

id (Primary Key)
level

Personal_Events

idPersonal_Events (Primary Key)
Event_Member_ID (Foreign Key linked with member_table: member_id)
Time
Message

Group_Event

idGroup_Event (Primary Key)
Member_ID (Foreign Key linked with members_table: member_id)
Group_EventKey (Foreign Key linked with groups_table: id)
Time_ID
Message_Save

Announcements_Table

idAnnouncements_Table (Primary Key)
Anounce_Group_ID (Foreign Key linked with groups_table: id)
Anounce_Member_ID (Foreign Key linked with memberss_table: member_id)
Announce_Time
Anounce_Message

members_table

member_id (Primary Key)
group_id
permission
user_id