

System Development Lab

MicroWebServices

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To-Do Application

Overview:

This is a Python MicroWebService using Flask Framework with JSON DB as the Database. This application has two services namely, Users & Todos.

User-Service:

The user service provides a RESTful endpoint to list the users in our application and also allows to query the user lists based on their usernames. This service currently runs on port 5000 of our server.

To-Do-Service:

The ToDo service provides a RESTful endpoint to list all the lists as well as providing the list of projects filtered on the basis of usernames. This service runs on port 5001 of our server.

Create The Project:

1. Make a new folder for the project files.
2. Create a Virtual Environment using the built-in venv module. Activate it.

```
`python -m venv .venv`
```

database/todos.json

```
1  {
2    "mugilan": {
3      "home": ["Buy milk", "Look for pest control service", "Get a new carpet"],
4      "work": ["Complete the blogpost", "Create presentation for meeting"]
5    },
6    "nive": {
7      "school": ["Complete homework", "Prepare for test"]
8    },
9    "samantha": {
10     "meet": ["Dinner with Mugilan"]
11   },
12   "aravinth_raj": {
13     "school": ["Complete homework", "Prepare for test"],
14     "work": ["Create presentation for meeting"]
15   }
16 }
```

database/users.json



```
1  {
2    "mugilan": {
3      "id": 1,
4      "name": "Mugilan",
5      "verified": true
6    },
7    "samantha": {
8      "id": 2,
9      "name": "Samantha Akkineni",
10     "verified": true
11   },
12   "aravinth_raj": {
13     "id": 3,
14     "name": "Aravinth Raj",
15     "verified": false
16   },
17   "nive": {
18     "id": 4,
19     "name": "Nivethithaa",
20     "verified": true
21   },
22   "anbu": {
23     "id": 5,
24     "name": "Anbarasan",
25     "verified": false
26   },
27   "shalini": {
28     "id": 6,
29     "name": "Shalini",
30     "verified": false
31   }
32 }
```

Then Create Services in services folder. This is a sample part

```
flask-microservice - todo.py

1  import json
2  import os
3
4  from flask import Flask, jsonify, make_response
5
6  app = Flask(__name__)
7
8  database_path = os.path.dirname(os.path.dirname(os.path.realpath(__file__)))
9
10 with open(f"{database_path}/database/todos.json", "r") as jsf:
11     todo_list = json.load(jsf)
12
13
14 @app.route("/", methods=["GET"])
15 def hello():
16     """Greet the User"""
17
18     return "Todo service is up"
```

```
flask-microservice - users.py

1  import os
2
3  import requests
4  import simplejson as json
5  from flask import Flask, jsonify, make_response
6
7  app = Flask(__name__)
8
9  database_path = os.path.dirname(os.path.dirname(os.path.realpath(__file__)))
10 print(database_path)
11
12 with open(f"{database_path}/database/users.json", "r") as f:
13     usr = json.load(f)
14
15
16 @app.route("/", methods=["GET"])
17 def hello():
18     """Greet the User"""
19
20     return "Hey! The service is up, how about doing something useful"
```

Create a empty `__init__.py` file to make the folder as a module

Declare dependencies in the root of the project

A terminal window with a dark background and light-colored text. At the top, there are three colored circles (red, yellow, green) followed by the text 'flask-microservice - dependencies.ini'. Below this, there is a list of configuration options for two sections: '[users]' and '[todo]'. The '[users]' section has three options: 'host="localhost"', 'port=5000', and 'preload="todo"'. The '[todo]' section has two options: 'host = "localhost"' and 'port = 5001'. Each option is preceded by a line number from 1 to 8.

```
flask-microservice - dependencies.ini

1  [users]
2  host="localhost"
3  port=5000
4  preload="todo"
5
6  [todo]
7  host = "localhost"
8  port = 5001
```

Install dependencies for the project to work using pip

1. flask
2. requests
3. simplejson
4. configobj

You have to activate the Virtual Environment before installing these packages.

```
`source .venv/bin/activate`
```

You can freeze the requirements needed for the project in a .txt file

```
`pip freeze > requirements.txt`
```

flask-microservice - requirements.txt

```
1  appdirs==1.4.4
2  astroid==2.5.6
3  black==21.4b2
4  certifi==2020.12.5
5  chardet==4.0.0
6  click==7.1.2
7  configobj==5.0.6
8  Flask==1.1.2
9  idna==2.10
10 isort==5.8.0
11 itsdangerous==1.1.0
12 Jinja2==2.11.3
13 lazy-object-proxy==1.6.0
14 MarkupSafe==1.1.1
15 mccabe==0.6.1
16 mypy-extensions==0.4.3
17 pathspec==0.8.1
18 pylint==2.8.2
19 regex==2021.4.4
20 requests==2.25.1
21 simplejson==3.17.2
22 six==1.15.0
23 toml==0.10.2
24 urllib3==1.26.4
25 Werkzeug==1.0.1
26 wrapt==1.12.1
```

If you want to install the packages from the requirements.txt

```
`pip install -r requirements.txt`
```

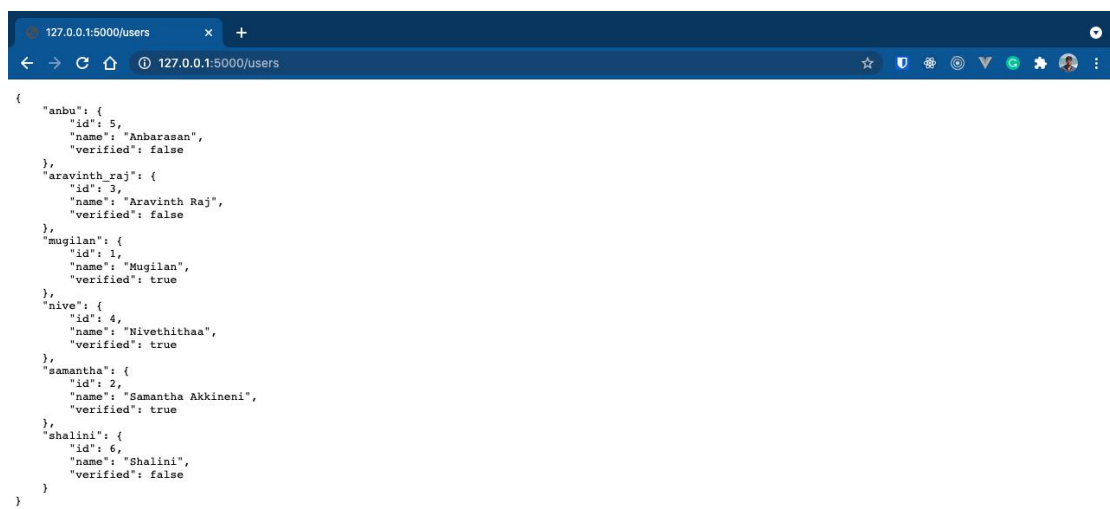
Create a main `run.py` file the root where the microservices will be started up.

```
flask-microservice - run.py

1  import os
2  import socket
3
4  from configobj import ConfigObj
5
6  SERVICE_DIR = "services/"
7
8
9  def checkPort(host, port):
10     # REF: https://docs.python.org/3/library/socket.html
11     sock = socket.socket(socket.AF_INET, socket.SOCK_STREAM)
12     return sock.connect_ex((host, port))
13
14
15  def launchService(service, host, port):
16     # Check if the service is running or not
17     addr = f"localhost://{port}"
18     print(f"Address is {addr}")
19     resp = checkPort(host, int(port))
20     if resp != 0:
21         print(
22             f"Service {service} not running, starting service at port {port} on host {host}"
23         )
24         os.system(f"python {SERVICE_DIR}{service}.py &")
25     else:
26         print(f"Service {service} running at port {port} on host {host}")
27
28
29  def walkThrough(section, obj):
30     if "preload" in section:
31         services = section["preload"].split(" ")
32         for service in services:
33             launchService(service, obj[service]["host"], obj[service]["port"])
34     launchService(section.name, section["host"], section["port"])
35
36
37  def loadDependencies():
38     # Read the dependencies.ini file
39     config = ConfigObj("dependencies.ini")
40     for section in config:
41         walkThrough(config[section], config)
42
43
44  if __name__ == "__main__":
45     loadDependencies()
```

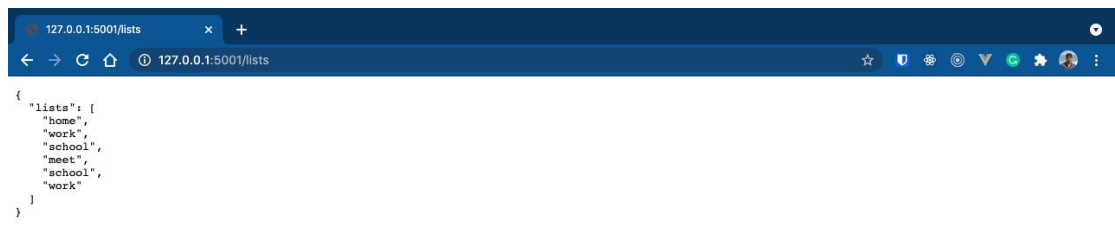
Start the microservice by running,

`python run.py`




```
127.0.0.1:5000/users/mugilan x +
127.0.0.1:5000/users/mugilan
{
  "id": 1,
  "name": "Mugilan",
  "verified": true
}
```

```
127.0.0.1:5000/users/mugilan/ x +
127.0.0.1:5000/users/mugilan/lists
{ "home": [ "Buy milk", "Look for pest control service", "Get a new carpet" ], "work": [ "Complete the blogpost", "Create presentation for meeting" ] }
```





```
{
  "home": [
    "Buy milk",
    "Look for pest control service",
    "Get a new carpet"
  ],
  "work": [
    "Complete the blogpost",
    "Create presentation for meeting"
  ]
}
```

Source Code:

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