

Change Log

All notable changes to this project will be documented in this file.

Related Links

The new client can be downloaded from here:

<https://github.com/Nauman3S/IOTManagementSystem/tree/rust-based-client>

Pre-configured .img file: <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1JkGjd-HqMF4WDyalsfsEwI3Kb5WTj4X?usp=sharing>

Updates Summary - 2022-09-20

Demo video of the implemented changes: <https://youtu.be/ThBfGEvoArY>

Demo video of fail-safety features: <https://youtu.be/HbAFMixfPCg>

The updates to the backend are also applied to your server and are ready to be tested.

- Remote shell commands execution
- Files upload via S3 or any other valid URL.
- Files upload directly using API end-point. -RPiClient now has the ability to update itself via API endpoint.
- Configurable user-script that runs on the Raspberry Pi boot and can be modified using API end-point.
- More verbose logging. All the logs related to the RPiClient and your programs(python or any other program running via user-script functionality) are stored in the logs directory of RPiClient-rs and can be retrieved over MQTT.
- RPiClient-rs and user-script now run automatically on the Raspberry Pi startup with multiple failure safety checks and in case of unexpected crashes, the RPiClient-rs and user-script restart themselves.
- A number of optimizations.

Test Instructions

A quick overview of how you can test your desired functionality:

1. Update `FW.py` and `FW_Utils.py` independently With the `/update` and `/update-url` API endpoints you can push the `FW.py` and `FW_Utils.py` files to all or specific devices running the RPiClient-rs.
2. Update `FW_ML_Model.pt` from the s3 download With `/update-url` API endpoint, you can push the `FW_ML_Model.pt` to the device or all the devices in the system. You will need to use s3 or any other CDN valid URL in the API call parameters.
3. Activate a Conda environment at launch

This can be achieved in two different ways:

- With `/config` API endpoint you can invoke shell commands one after the other.

- With `/update-script` API endpoint, you can upload your custom bash script to a specific device or all devices in the system. Your custom script can have anything in it and the RPiClient-rs will make sure to run it on every boot or restart it in case of a crash.
4. Run `FW.py` at launch (after conda env is active) Again this can be done in two different ways similar to the one mentioned in the above point #3. But the recommended method would be to use `/update-script` API endpoint and push a script to the device. The script will contain a list of commands to activate conda environment and at the end, it can contain `python3 FW.py` to run the python program. Please note that user-script uploaded by `/update-script` API endpoint is managed by RPiClient-rs and it runs at the launch and restarts itself if something crashes. Moreover, all of the logs (even the ones generated by your `FW.py`) will be present in the logs directory and can be accessed via MQTT.

Updates Summary - 2022-09-01

- The RPiClient is now re-written in Rust. The new firmware is now very stable and failsafe.
- The new RPiClient is now working truly asynchronously. Multiple commands can be sent to the client and it works without crashing.
- The new RPiClient allows downloading big files from sources like AWS S3 and with the asynchronous download process.
- The new RPiClient now takes much less memory than the older python-based firmware.