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## Software Access Credentials

Here is a list of the account info for the various software applications. When installing you should configure your own unique passwords.

#### **SSH**

User: helium password: iot

#### **NodeRed**

Port: 1880 User: admin password: iot

#### Grafana

Port: 3003 User: admin

Password: heliumiot

#### **Mosquitto MQTT Broker**

Port: 1887

#### **MQTT** account for Helium Console

user: heliumconsole password: heliumRocks

#### **MQTT** account for Node-Red

user: nodered

password: nodered33

#### MQTT account for mqtt explorer or other MQTT monitor app

user: mqtt explorer

password: mqtt\_explorer33

#### Test account with full read/write access

user: helium password: iot

# Onboard GPS Tracker onto Helium Network and Connect to Community Helium Mapper Project.

Use the following guide to help you onboard the LGT-92 tracker.

The guide also shows how to forward data from your GPS tracker to the open source Mapper Project. This community mapper project anonymoizes the data source and shows potential sensor companies the "real" coverage provided by the netork.

m/

https://docs.helium.com/use-the-network/coverage-mapping/mappers-quickstart/

If you do not want to submit data to the community mapper project then complete all the steps except for step 2(Create HTTP Integration).

If you have successfully onboarded the sensor, added a decoder function, and are receiving data to the console than we can proceed to add the MQTT integration between Helium Console and our Raspberry Pi.

## Create Helium Console MQTT Integration

Determine your external IPv4 address.

https://whatismyipaddress.com/

### **Create MQTT Integration**

- 1. go to https://console.helium.com/integrations
- 2. Select Custom MQTT Integration and fill in the following parameters **Endpoint:** mqtt://heliumconsole:heliumRocks@YOURIPADDRESS:1887 **Name of Integration:** LGT92 MQTT on Pi Integration
- 3. Copy the following into the Template Body section of the JSON Message Template and press save.

This template will flatten the JSON and extract just the data we are interested in. I have found that many applications do not really like JSON with multiple levels of hierarch.

```
"name": "{{name}}",
"dev_eui": "{{dev_eui}}",
"device_id": "{{id}}}",
"reported_at": "{{reported_at}}",
{{#hotspots}}
"hotspot_name": "{{name}}",
"rssi": "{{rssi}}",
"snr": "{{snr}}",
"spreading": "{{spreading}}",
"raw_data": "{{payload}}",
{{/hotspots}}
{{#decoded}}{{#payload}}"ALARM_status": "{{ALARM_status}}",
"battery": "{{BatV}}",
"accuracy": "{{Accuracy}}",
"altitude": "{{Altitude}}",
"firmware": "{{FW}}}",
"LON": "{{LON}}",
"lat": "{{Latitude}}",
"lon": "{{Longitude}}",
"PDOP": "{{PDOP}}}",
"pitch": "{{Pitch}}",
"roll": "{{Roll}}}",
"MD": "{{MD}}"{{/payload}}{{/decoded}}
```

4. Finish by pressing "Add Integration" button

### Create a label to connect device, integration, and functions

- 1. Go to Labels->Add Label
- 2. Set label name = MQTT Pi
- 3. Add label attachments:
  - Integration: LGT92 MQTT on Pi Integration
  - Function: Dragino LGT92 Decoder
- 4. Press button "Add Label & Manage"
- 5. Press button "Add this Label to Device"
  Select the LGT92 device and press "Add Label to Devices"

The MQTT integration should now be setup and data should be published to your MQTT broker running on the Pi.

# Configure Port Forwarding and DHCP Reservation

You should first use DHCP reservation to give the Pi a static local IP address.

You will need to open up one or two ports on your internet provider's modem/router.

- 1. MOTT Broker Port 1887 (Required)
- 2. Grafana Dashboard port 3003 (optional)

The MQTT broker port needs to be open so that the Helium Console router is able to send data packets to your MQTT broker.

If you want to view your dashboard from outside of your home network then you will need to also open up the Grafana port. The default port for Grafana is 3000. During setup we modified to the port to be 3003 so open up the port that you configured.