

Team 26's Back-end Go Server



This was initially started as a rewrite of the previous (node.js) back-end since I anticipated we would need to write some back-end code for some extra features. As expected, we did, and the back-end now holds the code for three parts:

- wellbeing visualisation, with Google Maps
- data/message passing between mobile users (i.e. for user wellbeing sharing and sending step goals)
- add friend page, to serve a deeplink

Deployment Guide & Usage

You need an installation of `go` (use your package manager, or otherwise). You can verify you have it with `go version`.

Follow these steps on the Linode server:

- Clone or pull the repo into your home directory.
- `cd` into `team26-nudgeme-backend` and `go build` in that project directory.
- Start with `sudo systemdctl start nudgeme` or restart the systemd service with `sudo systemctl restart nudgeme`, *if it is not the first time running*.

Of course, this can be done on any server, but *you'd need to set up your own `nudgeme.service` file and SQL database connection*. An example `nudgeme.service` file is given below. For the SQL database, see the backend database schema. If you wish to change the server which hosts the SQL database, please modify the `ADDRESS` variable in `main.go`.

You can modify the `nudgeme.service` just like any systemd service, e.g. if you want to change where it searches for the binary. The service config file is located in `/lib/systemd/system/nudgeme.service`.

Current domain that links to the server: `https://comp0016.cyberchris.xyz/`. This is retrieved from the environment variable in the `nudgeme.service` file.

Example `nudgeme.service` file

This is the service file currently in use on the Linode server, except in the actual file I use the actual password instead of `'$PASSWORD'` as below.

Also note the domain name variable, this would need to be changed with a new domain name.

```
[Unit]
```

```
Description=back-end for NudgeMe
```

```
Documentation=https://github.com/thevirtuoso1973/team26-nudgeme-backend
```

```
After=network.target
```

```
[Service]
WorkingDirectory=/home/ct/team26-nudgeme-backend
Type=simple
User=root
ExecStart=/home/ct/team26-nudgeme-backend/nudgeme
Restart=on-failure
Environment="SQL_PASSWORD=$PASSWORD"
Environment="DOMAIN_NAME=comp0016.cyberchris.xyz"

[Install]
WantedBy=multi-user.target
```

API Docs

See the `WellbeingRecord` struct in `models.go` for the latest. Fields that are marked `omitempty` are intended to be optional in the future, e.g. `weeklySteps`.

Wellbeing Data & Steps for Map

Endpoint: *.../add-wellbeing-record*

- `postCode`: string e.g. TW6
- `wellbeingScore`: integer
- `weeklySteps`: integer
- `errorRate`: integer, this is $\text{abs}(\text{score} - \text{userScore})$, where `score` is our estimate of their score
- `supportCode`: String
- `date_sent`: string, 'yyyy-MM-dd'

User Wellbeing Sharing

.../user check if user exists.

Request example:

```
{
  "identifier": "abc1337",
  "password": "battery horse staple"
}
```

Response example:

```
{
  "success": true,
  "exists": true,
}
```

.../**user/new** add new user

Request example:

```
{
  "identifier": "abc1337",
  "password": "battery horse staple"
}
```

Response example:

```
{
  "success": true,
}
```

.../**user/message** get unread 'messages' for user

Request example:

```
{
  "identifier": "abc1337",
  "password": "battery horse staple"
}
```

Response example:

```
[
  {"identifier_from": "blahblah", "data": "123"},
  {"identifier_from": "blahblah2", "data": "1234"},
  ...
]
```

.../**user/message/new** send message/data to a user

Request example:

```
{
  "identifier_from": "abc1337",
  "password": "battery horse staple",
  "identifier_to": "bobby420",
  "data": "UXVvdGggdGhlIFJhdmVuIOKAnE5ldmVybW9yZS7igJ0="
}
```

Response example:

```
{
  "success": true,
}
```

P2P nudging

Nothing special on the back-end, uses the same structure as wellbeing sharing. It's up to the client to define the different spec.

Only difference is that it is using a different table.

.../user/nudge See .../user/message section.

.../user/nudge/new See .../user/message/new section.

UML Diagram of Database Interface

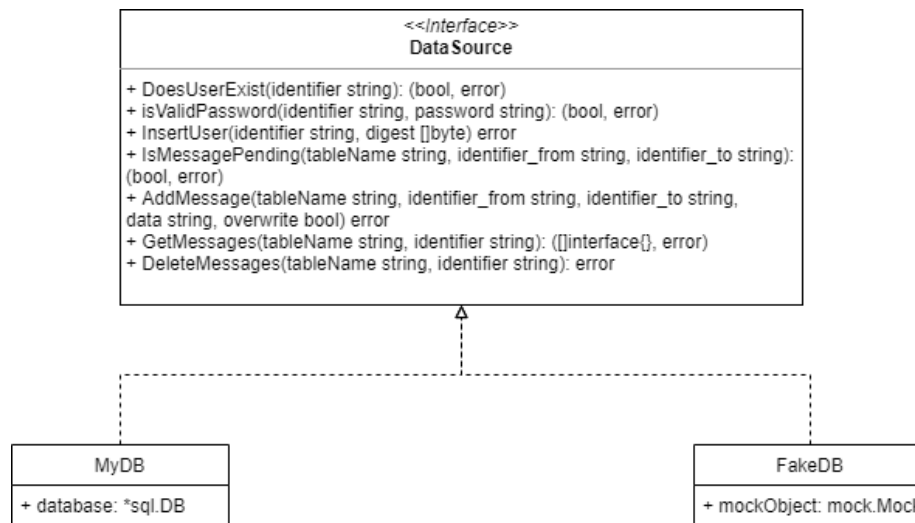


Figure 1: image

ER Diagram/Schema of Back-end Database

Performance

We used GTmetrix to test the performance of the visualisation.



Figure 2: image

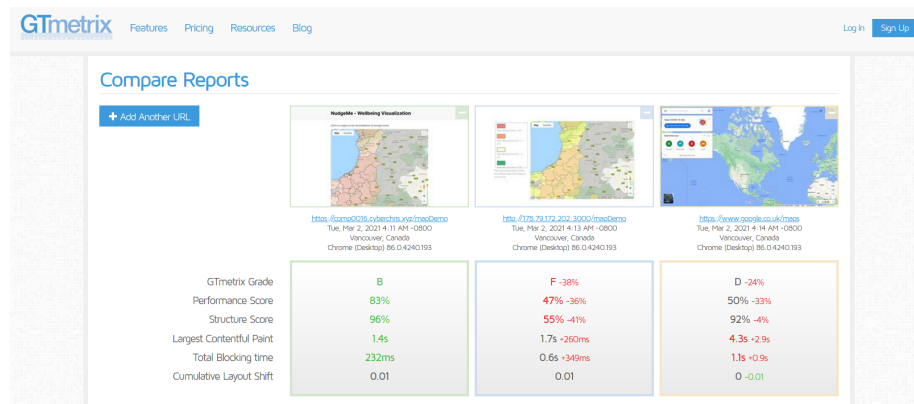


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