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1 Introduction

Earthquake Tracker is an application which provides information about the latest earthquakes in various regions. The platform gives access to data about the magnitude, longitude, latitude, date and time of the earthquakes, provided by different seismic sensor networks. In addition to simple earthquake listing, a notification service is implemented in order to send alerts to users about high magnitude earthquakes in particular.

The network is organized in a hierarchy of two layers:

- One central server
- Three regional servers

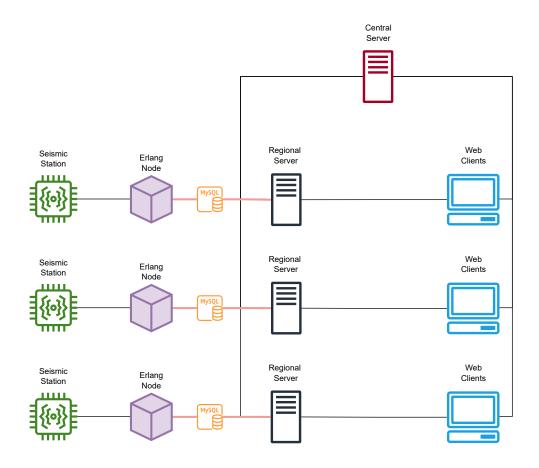


Figure 1: Architecture of the whole system

2 Web-Client

When using the web interface, the client will automatically be connected to one of the regional servers available based on their IP address. One regional server can handle many client connections at a time.

Earthquakes Tracker System for Region#1

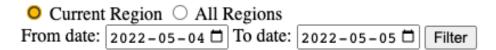
This text bo	x shows the da	angerous	earthquake				
Please select your region to retrieve the last updates on earthquakes data:							
O Current Rec	gion O All Regi	ions					

The web interface allows the user to perform the following actions:

From date: | yyyy-mm-dd | To date: | yyyy-mm-dd | Filter

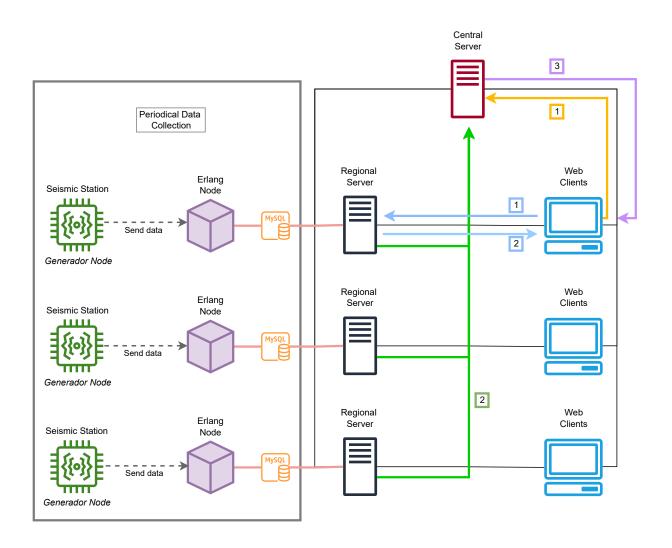
- Choose the region they want to fetch the earthquake data from: The user can either chose to view the earthquakes in the region from where they are connected, or all the regions available in the system at once. The default option selected is "Regional Server" but it can be modified by clicking the preferred radio button.
- Choose a date range to filter results: The user can either provide both a start and end date for their query, or either one in case they want every earthquake **since** a certain date, or the earthquakes **up until** a certain date.

Please select your region to retrieve the last updates on earthquakes data:



When querying earthquakes from all available regional servers, an additional column is introduced, specifying the region this listing was fetched from.

Client Request Flow



Querying data use case: The regional server responds with the list of earthquakes from its A user would like to retreive the list of satabase. earthquakes recorded in the "Current Region" The client request is sent to the central server through the A user would like to retrieve the list of Web app which is hosted on the regional server. earthquakes recorded in all available regions The Central server collects all records in each regional database

1 The web client sends a request to the regional server it is connected to

3 The central server responds to the request sending the complete list to the regional Web app which in turns respond to the Web client client

Figure 2: Client Request flow Diagram

3 Web-Servers

3.1 Regional Server

This category of servers is connected to MySQL databases that are tasked with the storage of earthquake information received from the designated seismic sensor stations. This server is used in two cases:

- If the user wants to retrieve a list of earthquakes in the region: The regional server receives all requests from the clients connected to it exclusively.
- When an earthquake of particularly high magnitude has been detected: in which case it sends a notification (alert message) to all connected clients in an alert box, including all information about said earthquake.

Earthquakes Tracker System for Region#1

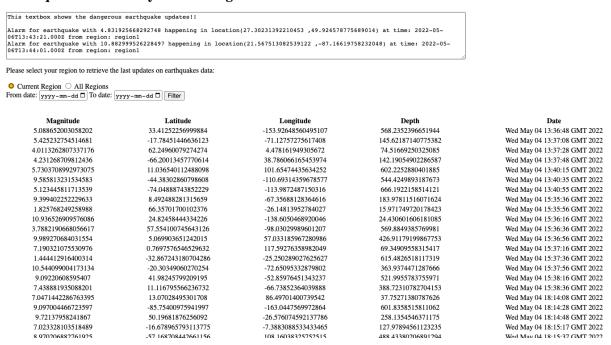


Figure 3: Earthquakes from one Region with Alerts

3.2 Central Server

This server is used if the user wants to retrieve earthquake information from all available regions: in which case it fetches a compiled list of all earthquakes stored in each of the regional Databases and sends them back to the client.

Earthquakes Tracker System for Region#1

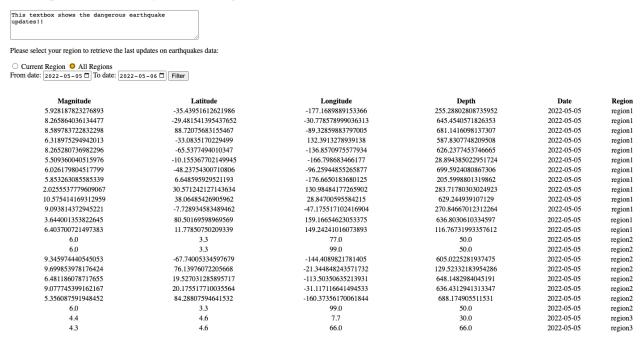


Figure 4: Earthquakes from all Region with Filter

4 Implementation

The application is hosted on a GlassFish server (version 5.1). In this application communication is Message Driven and exploits JMS.

4.1 Erlang

A portion purely in Erlang was written to simulate the activity of a seismic station sensor. This code creates earthquake records with information on the latitude, longitude, magnitude, depth and Date-time, with randomly generates numerical data.

The process sends one sample periodically every 40 seconds (non-blocking send). The receiving has been handled in java (blocking receive) with a timeout set to 30s.

Figure 5: Erlang - Generating Earthquake Data

We deployed on each of the containers a Java executable file containing code which fetches data from Erlang nodes. When executed, it performs two tasks:

• Creating on the server itself another Erlang node which receives the data from the generator: The data "generator" node sends the data to the "main" Erlang node. Upon receiving the data this new node inserts the records into MySQL database on the regional server it is connected to.

```
for(int i=0; i<numOfReceives;i++) {</pre>
       OtpErlangObject message = otpMbox.receive( 1: 30000);
        if (message instanceof OtpErlangTuple) {
           OtpErlangTuple erlangTuple = (OtpErlangTuple) message;
           OtpErlangPid senderPID = (OtpErlangPid) erlangTuple.elementAt( i: 1);
            OtpErlangTuple earthquakeTuple = (OtpErlangTuple) erlangTuple.elementAt(i: 0);
           OtpErlangDouble magnitudeEr = (OtpErlangDouble) earthquakeTuple.elementAt( i: 0);
           OtpErlangDouble latitudeEr = (OtpErlangDouble) earthquakeTuple.elementAt(i: 1);
           OtpErlangDouble longitudeEr = (OtpErlangDouble) earthquakeTuple.elementAt( : 2);
            OtpErlangDouble depthEr = (OtpErlangDouble) earthquakeTuple.elementAt( i: 3);
            double magnitude = magnitudeEr.doubleValue();
            double latitude = latitudeEr.doubleValue();
            double longitude = longitudeEr.doubleValue();
            double depth = depthEr.doubleValue();
            OtpErlangLong year = (OtpErlangLong) earthquakeTuple.elementAt(1:4);
           OtpErlangLong month = (OtpErlangLong) earthquakeTuple.elementAt(i: 5);
            OtpErlangLong day = (OtpErlangLong) earthquakeTuple.elementAt( i: 6);
            OtpErlangLong hour = (OtpErlangLong) earthquakeTuple.elementAt(1:7);
            OtpErlangLong minute = (OtpErlangLong) earthquakeTuple.elementAt( i: 8);
            OtpErlangLong second = (OtpErlangLong) earthquakeTuple.elementAt(i: 9);
```

Figure 6: Receiving data from the Erlang Generator Node

• The "main" Erlang node also checks for high magnitude earthquakes, for the sake of frequent results, we chose the magnitude threshold to be 2, but in a more concrete context it would be magnitudes of 4 and above. If the match is made and an earthquake record is found to have magnitude higher than 2, the "main" Erlang node writes the record into the GlassFish JMS queue.

When inserting data into the SQL databases we realized there might be some latency, so to deal with that we introduce the use of threads. A thread is created to insert the data.

4.2 EJBs: Regional Servers

The regional servers are hosted on the GlassFish server and each use an EJB responsible for collecting data from the regional server database, and returns the collected data with filtering options.

```
connection=dataSource.getConnection();
StringBuilder sqlStringBuilder=new StringBuilder();
sqlStringBuilder.append("select " );
sqlStringBuilder.append(" e.magnitude,
sqlStringBuilder.append(" e.latitude,
sqlStringBuilder.append(" e.longitude, ");
sqlStringBuilder.append(" e.depth, ");
sqlStringBuilder.append(" e.date ");
sqlStringBuilder.append(" from earthquakedata e ");
sqlStringBuilder.append(" where 1 = 1 ");
if(startDate!=null) {
    sqlStringBuilder.append(" and e.date >= ? ");
    params.add(startDate);
} if (endDate !=null) {
    sqlStringBuilder.append(" and e.date <= ? ");</pre>
   params.add(endDate);
```

Figure 7: Retrieving data from the mySQL database

The EJB has one interface "EarthquakeRemoteEJB" and one implemented method "listEarthquakes()" which returns a Data Transfer Object (DTO) list of earthquakes collected.

The DTO class called "EarthquakeDTO" maps mySQL records to objects of this DTO class. The class's attributes match the columns of the MySQL records (magnitude, latitude, etc).

```
rs = pstm.executeQuery();
while (rs.next()) {
    EarthquakeDTO earthquakeDTO=new EarthquakeDTO();
    earthquakeDTO.setMagnitude(rs.getDouble( columnIndex: 1));
    earthquakeDTO.setLatitude(rs.getDouble( columnIndex: 2));
    earthquakeDTO.setLongitude(rs.getDouble( columnIndex: 3));
    earthquakeDTO.setDepth(rs.getDouble( columnIndex: 4));
    earthquakeDTO.setDate(new Date(rs.getTimestamp( columnIndex: 5).getTime()));
    earthquakeDTO.setRegion(region);
    earthquakeDTO.setRegion(region);
}
```

Figure 8: Building a DTO object

4.3 Servlets

The application makes use of a servlet called "earthInfo" and it is included in the "Webapptest" module. This servlet gets the request from the web interface, containing all parameters entered by the user (Region selection, date range) and uses the EJB methods to collect the data accordingly, then filters the records as requested.

"earthInfo" provides one other method to initialize a connection to the JMS Queue.

Figure 9: Initializing a connection to the JMS Queue

4.4 Web Application

The web application is hosted on the GlassFish server and makes use of 2 EJBs. The first EJB's mission is to collect data from the "local" regional server (the one the web client is connected to) if they select "Current Region" in the radio button section. The second one serves to collect data from all regional servers (going through the central server) if the client selects "All Regions" in the radio button section.

In any case, a connection with JMS queue "jmsmyQueue2" is established, and a new object with "onMessage" listener is created:

• With the Java class "MessageSocket", the app preserves a list of clients connected through the web sockets as a list of sessions, in order to forward the dangerous earthquakes upon receiving them from the JMS queue.

```
@ServerEndpoint("/MessageSocket1")
public class MessageSocket {
    static List <Session> socketSessions = Collections.synchronizedList(new ArrayList<Session>());

@OnOpen
public void open (Session session) throws IOException {
    session.getBasicRemote().sendText(s: "This textbox shows the dangerous earthquake updates!!\n");
    socketSessions.add(session);
}

@OnClose
public void close (Session session) { socketSessions.remove(session); }

public static void broadcast (String message) throws IOException {
    for (Session session: socketSessions) {
        session.getBasicRemote().sendText(message);
    }
}
```

Figure 10: Message Socket Class

```
public class earthquakeConsumerBean implements MessageListener {
   @Override
   public void onMessage(Message msg) {
      System.out.println("On
                            Message event");
       if (msg instanceof TextMessage) {
          try {
              String text = ((TextMessage) msg).getText();
              String outMsg = "Received: " + text;
              outMsg = "\n" +bar +"\n" + outMsg + "\n" + bar +"\n";
              System.out.println(outMsg);
              MessageSocket.broadcast(text);
          } catch (final JMSException | IOException e) {
              throw new RuntimeException(e);
          }
```

Figure 11: Message Listener Class

• JMS Queue (namely "jmsmyQueue2" in this project) triggers an "onMessage" event in the web app. The web app forwards the received message to all sessions connected through the web socket. The client in the JSP file has a listener for "onMessage" event which writes the received data into the text box.

```
<html>
<head>
    <title>Hi ...</title>
    <script type = text/javascript>
        var ws;
       var host = document.location.host;
        var pathname = document.location.pathname;
        const url = "wss://" + host + "/webapp-test/MessageSocket1";
        ws = new WebSocket(url);
       ws.onmessage = function(event) {
            console.log(event.data);
        let textarea = document.getElementById("AlertBox");
        textarea.value+= event.data +"\n";
        };
    </script>
</head>
```

Figure 12: JSP on Message Listener

4.5 Central Server

This server is hosted on the GlassFish server (version 5.1) To implement the central server, we used an EJB which makes an SQL connection to three databases in 3 "Regional Server" containers, and returns a list of compiled rows. This is done through the EJB interface containing the method "collectServersData()" it returns a DTO list of earthquakes.

5 Deployment

This application was first implemented on a local machine, then deployed onto virtual containers provided by the Information Engineering Department. We made use of 4 containers, one for each of the 3 Regional servers, and another for the central server.

- The following software was added to the containers: GlassFish 5.1, Mysql, Erlang.
- GlassFish JDBC Resources were configured for 3 "regional server" containers and JMS Resources for the "central server" container.
- A MySQL database was created on each of the "regional server" containers.

• The executable JAR file where the Erlang potions were written was exported to all "regional server" containers. Upon execution, the following prompts are displayed:

```
[root@studente66:~/project/target# java -jar RegionalServer-1.0.0-SNAPSHOT.jar
Please Enter the Region:
[region1
Please Enter the number of Receives:
9
Working Directory = /root/project/target
The Number Generator Started
The server server101@localhost is running.
cookie: region1
TmBox: servermailbox
```

Figure 13: Erlang Jar Executable