

# Ditto Framework (E/19/166 - Jayathunga W.W.K.)

Eclipse Ditto is a powerful open-source framework designed to facilitate the creation, management, and interaction of **digital twins**. In the context of this air quality management system, Ditto plays a central role as the backbone of digital twin orchestration, enabling real-time monitoring, control, and integration of IoT devices such as air quality sensors and purifiers

## Step 1: Setup Prerequisites

### Install Required Tools:

- **Docker and Docker Compose:** For running Ditto and related services.
  - Download and install Docker from [Docker: Accelerated Container Application Development](#)
  - Verify installation:

```
D:\AAApera\Sem6\C0326\project\ditto>docker --version
Docker version 26.1.1, build 4cf5afa
```

- Install Docker Compose (included in newer Docker versions)
- Verify installation:

```
D:\AAApera\Sem6\C0326\project\ditto>docker-compose --version
Docker Compose version v2.23.3
```

- **Java Development Kit (JDK):** Ensure Java 11 or higher is installed.

```
sudo apt update
sudo apt install openjdk-11-jdk
java -version
```

- **Node.js**
  - Install Node.js and npm

```
curl -fsSL https://deb.nodesource.com/setup_16.x | sudo -E bash -  
sudo apt install -y nodejs  
node -v  
npm -v
```

- Other Dependencies:

- Install curl:

```
sudo apt install curl
```

## Step 2: Configure Docker Compose for Ditto and Dependencies

Create a docker-compose.yml file

[e19-co326-air-quality-management-system/Code/Ditto/setup/docker-compose.yml at main · cepdnaclk/e19-co326-air-quality-management-system](#)

Start Docker Services:

```
PS C:\Users\Wishula> docker-compose up -d
```

## Step 3: Configure Eclipse Ditto

### Access Ditto API

Verify the Ditto Service is running by visiting:



## You have started Eclipse Ditto™

Thank you for trying out Eclipse Ditto!

In order to get started quickly, you can now:

- visit the Eclipse Ditto™ explorer UI to get started with your first digital twins
- interactively explore the OpenAPI documentation

Try out the HTTP APIs by using username "ditto" and password "ditto" when asked for by your browser.

— the Ditto team



Create a Twin:

[e19-co326-air-quality-management-system/Code/Ditto/air.py at main · cepdnack/e19-co326-air-quality-management-system](#)

Send the request using curl:

```
PS C:\Users\Wishula> curl -X PUT -H "Content-Type: application/json" -d @air.json http://localhost:8080/api/2/things/namespace:air_quality_management
```

## Step 4: Define Ditto Thing Types and Twins

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Use the Ditto API to create the Things:

```
D:\AAApra\Sem6\C0326\project\ditto>curl -X PUT -H "Content-Type: application/json" -d @air.json http://localhost:8080/api/2/things/namespace:air_quality_management
```

```
PS C:\Users\Wishula> curl -X PUT -H "Content-Type: application/json" -d @thing-definitions/air-quality-sensor.json http://localhost:8080/api/2/things/namespace:air-quality-sensor
```

```
PS C:\Users\Wishula> curl -X PUT -H "Content-Type: application/json" -d @thing-definitions/purifier-device.json http://localhost:8080/api/2/things/namespace:purifier-device
```

[e19-co326-air-quality-management-system/Code/Ditto/setup/policies](https://github.com/cepdnack/e19-co326-air-quality-management-system/Code/Ditto/setup/policies) at main · cepdnack/e19-co326-air-quality-management-system

Use curl to create policies in Ditto

```
PS C:\Users\Wishula> curl -X PUT -H "Content-Type: application/json" -d @policies/sensor-policy.json http://localhost:8080/api/2/policies/namespace:sensor-policy
```

```
PS C:\Users\Wishula> curl -X PUT -H "Content-Type: application/json" -d @policies/purifier-policy.json http://localhost:8080/api/2/policies/namespace:purifier-policy
```

## Step 5: Extend Ditto with Custom API

Create ditto-extended-api/ Service:

[e19-co326-air-quality-management-system/Code/Ditto/extended\\_api](https://github.com/cepdnack/e19-co326-air-quality-management-system/Code/Ditto/extended_api) at main · cepdnack/e19-co326-air-quality-management-system

- Use Node.js:

```
D:\AAApera\Sem6\C0326\project\ditto>npm init -y|
```

```
D:\AAApera\Sem6\C0326\project\ditto>npm install express axios|
```

- Create index.js:

[e19-co326-air-quality-management-system/Code/Ditto/extended\\_api/src/index.js](https://github.com/cepdnack/e19-co326-air-quality-management-system/Code/Ditto/extended_api/src/index.js) at main · cepdnack/e19-co326-air-quality-management-system

- Run the service:

```
D:\AAApera\Sem6\C0326\project\ditto>node src/index.js|
```

## Step 6: Integrate Kafka & InfluxDB

### Configure Kafka Topics:

Create a Kafka topic for sensor data:

```
PS C:\Users\Wishula> kafka-topics.sh --create --topic sensor-data --bootstrap-server localhost:9092 --replication-factor 1 --partitions 1
```

## Connect Ditto to Kafka:

Update Ditto's configuration to publish events to Kafka. Use its management API:

```
PS C:\Users\Wishula> curl -X POST -H "Content-Type: application/json" -d '{"name": "kafka-connection", "type": "kafka", "uri": "tcp://localhost:9092", "topics": ["sensor-data"]}' http://localhost:8080/connections
```

## Step 7: Test the System

### 1. Start the API:

```
PS C:\Users\Wishula> node src/index.js
```

### 2. Create Things & Policies via API:

- Use Postman or curl to send requests to:
  - POST /thing/:id for Things
  - POST /policy/:id for Policies

### 3. Verify in Eclipse Ditto:

- Check <http://localhost:8080/api/2/things/namespace:air-quality-sensor> for the sensor Thing.
- Check <http://localhost:8080/api/2/policies/namespace:sensor-policy> for the policy.

ScreenShots of the final Eclipse Ditto User Interface

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Search for Things...

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search

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Thing ID

☐ org.eclipse.ditto:09bca640-af2e-41c8-bb20-8b550d26bef6

☐ org.eclipse.ditto:8ee7dd2d-19b3-4cf6-a79c-edba9df9dbf9

☒ org.eclipse.ditto:air-quality-management\_001

☐ org.eclipse.ditto:c8eeddde-a65a-4826-af48-6a0c2dc9ac7f

☐ org.eclipse.ditto:co2-sensor\_fd763647-44aa-45bc-b824-95fa77126d9b

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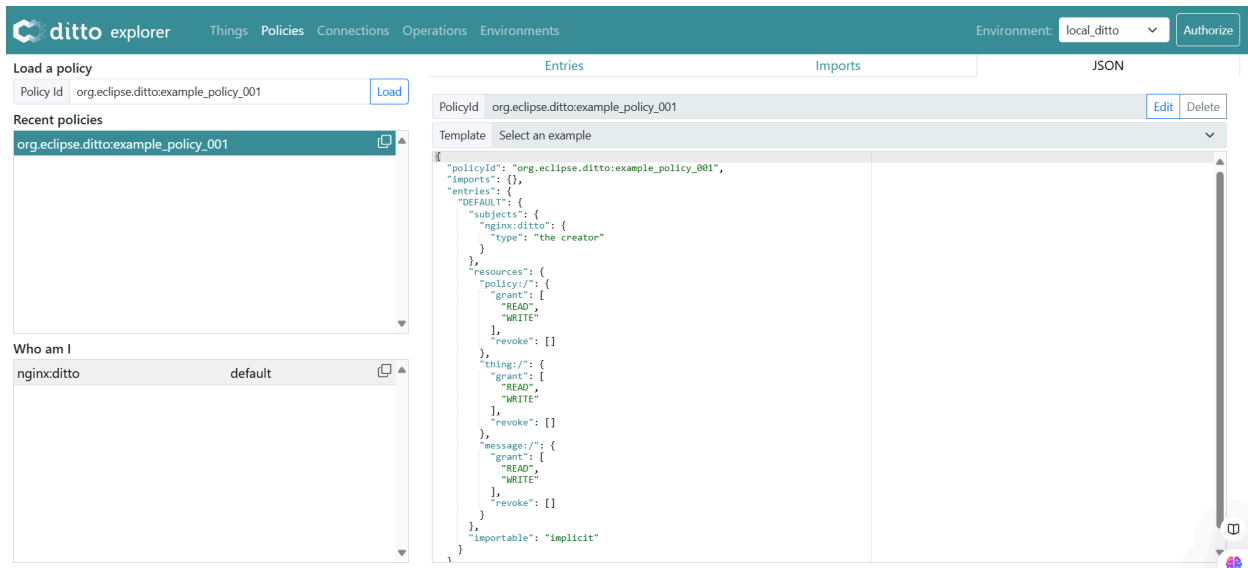
Details	Manage	Send Message	WoT TD
thingId	org.eclipse.ditto:air-quality-management_001		<div></div>
policyId	org.eclipse.ditto:example_policy_001		<div></div>
definition	org.eclipse.ditto:AirQualityManagementModel:1.0.0		<div></div>
revision	1		<div></div>
created	2024-06-09T03:17:08.840865987Z		<div></div>
modified	2024-06-09T03:17:08.840865987Z		<div></div>

Attributes 1

location	{"latitude":44.673856,"longitude":8.261719}
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Features 10

co2_sensor
oxygen_sensor
pm25_sensor
pm10_sensor
temperature_sensor
humidity_sensor
voc_sensor
no2_sensor
so2_sensor
co_sensor



## Experience with OpenTwin

### Attempt on Windows 11

While exploring the capabilities of OpenTwin for managing digital twins in our system, I attempted to run the framework on a Windows 11 machine. Unfortunately, this attempt was not successful due to the inherent limitations of Windows as a non-UNIX-based system. OpenTwin relies on specific UNIX system calls and environment setups that are not natively supported by Windows.

### Key Issues Encountered:

- **Dependency Compatibility:** Several scripts and dependencies within OpenTwin are optimized for UNIX-like environments.
- **Script Failures:** Core functionalities failed during execution, particularly those dependent on shell scripting.
- **Environment Mismatch:** Lack of certain UNIX tools and environment configurations that are critical to OpenTwin's operations.

### References to Scripts

The scripts that encountered issues include:

- [e19-co326-air-quality-management-system/Code/Ditto/setup/myuser@WISHULAJAYAT HUNGA mntdAAAperaSem6CO326projectsetup.txt at main · cepdnack/e19-co326-air-quality-management-system](https://github.com/e19-co326-air-quality-management-system/Code/Ditto/setup/myuser@WISHULAJAYAT HUNGA mntdAAAperaSem6CO326projectsetup.txt at main · cepdnack/e19-co326-air-quality-management-system)



- [e19-co326-air-quality-management-system/Code/Ditto/setup/myuser@WISHULAJAYAT HUNGA mntdAAAperaSem6CO326projectsetup1.txt at main · cepdnack/e19-co326-air-quality-management-system](#)
- [e19-co326-air-quality-management-system/Code/Ditto/setup/myuser@WISHULAJAYAT HUNGA mntdAAAperaSem6CO326projectsetup2.txt at main · cepdnack/e19-co326-air-quality-management-system](#)

## Workaround and Recommendations:

To successfully use OpenTwin, I recommend the following:

1. **Use a UNIX-based Operating System:** Preferably Ubuntu or any other Linux distribution.
2. **Ensure Proper Configuration:** Follow OpenTwin's official documentation for setting up dependencies and environments.