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Design and Development of the Digital Twin of a Greenhouse

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Digital Twins



Live replicas of physical systems,
generally connected to them in real time

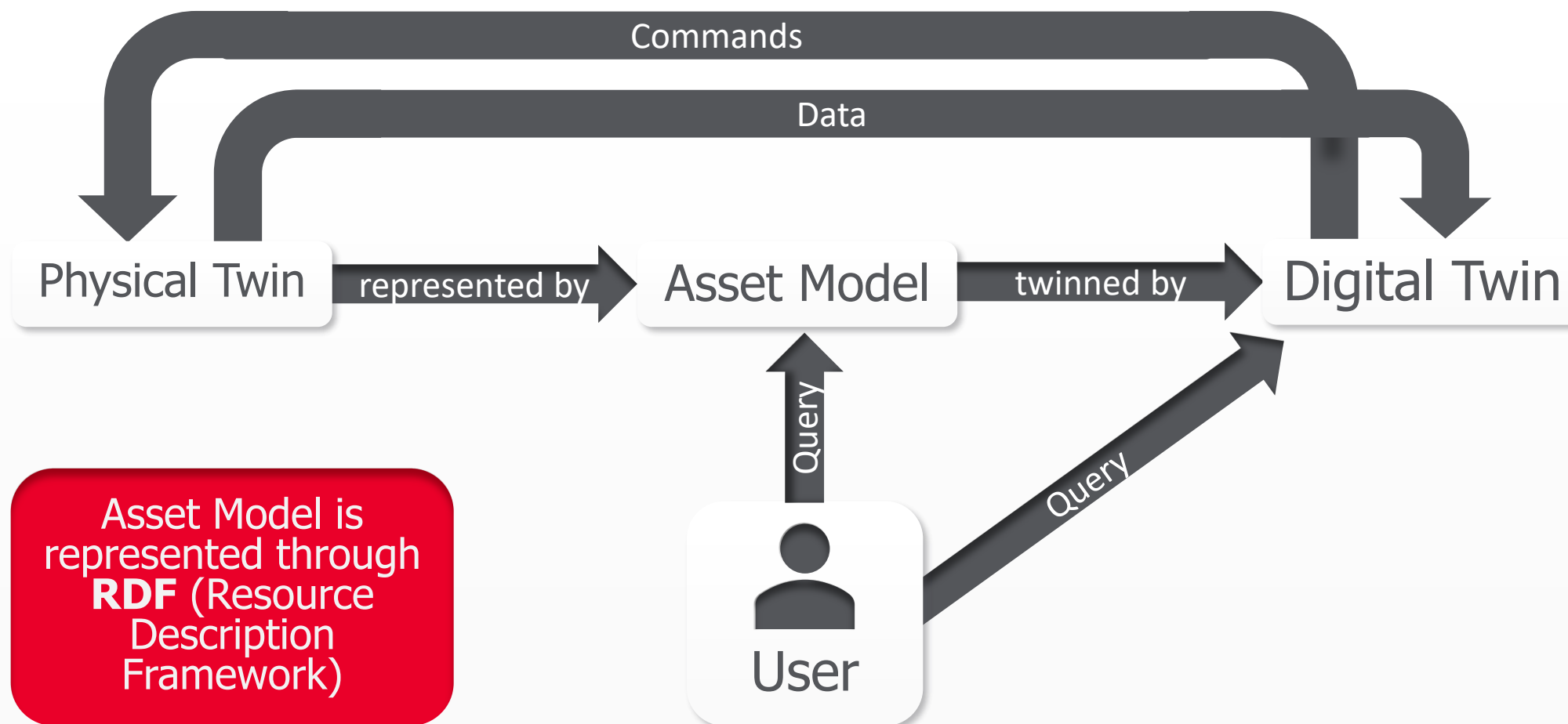
Tools to understand and control
assets in nature, industry or society
at large

Meant to evolve over time

Uses **FMI** as standard, and
interface that encapsulates
FMUs



High Level Representation of a Typical Digital Twin Architecture



SMOL



Programming language in active development at the research lab of the University of Oslo's computer science department

Oject-Oriented, Runs on the JVM

Supports **FMU** simulators as primitives

Can be used as a framework for creating digital twins

Supports **semantic reflection**, making it possible to add axioms on SMOL objects

Open Source

Encapsulates simulators in **FMOs** (Functional Mock-up Objects)

Natively supports querying of **knowledge bases** with **SPARQL** and **InfluxQL**

Supports **semantic lifting** of the program state, enabling us to query it as a knowledge graph

Setup



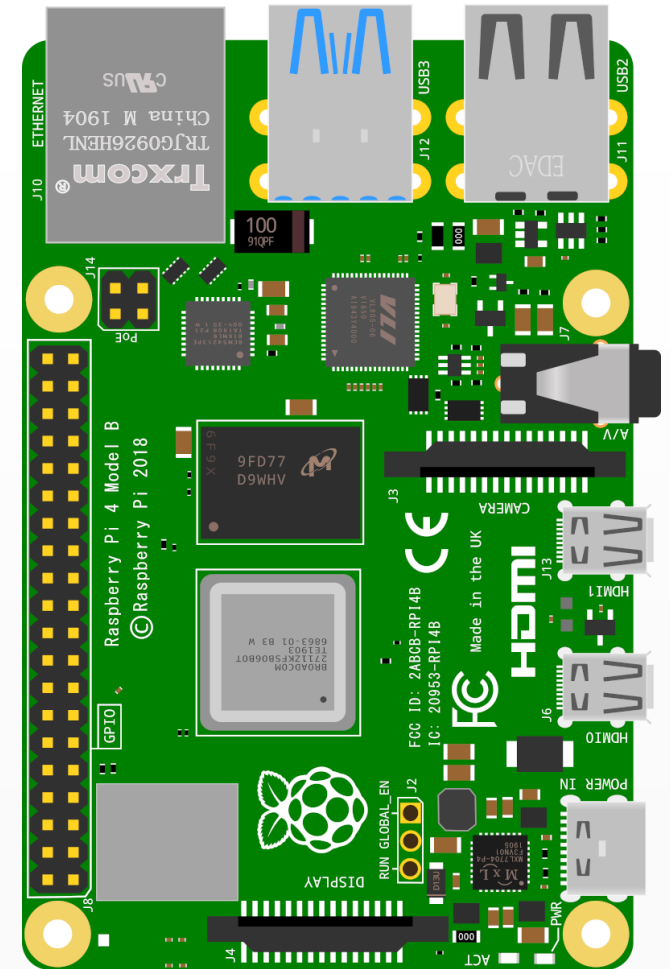
Used a total of 4 Raspberry Pi 4, configured with the help of bash scripts to make it easily repeatable

Host

Actuator

Data Collectors

Router



Host



Hosts the Influx
database

Controls the actuators through
SSH and schedules the execution
of the SMOL program

Router

Configured with **hostapd**
and **dnsmasq** for a local
network

Used to route HTTP
requests to the database

Enables communication
between the computers
through **SSH**

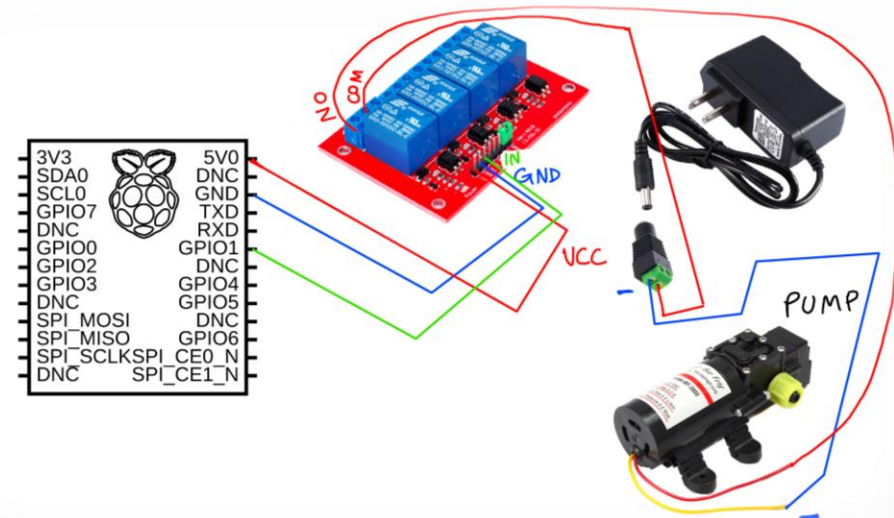


Actuator



Runs the Python program that controls the actuators

Only one pump connected to a relay but easily expandable



Data Collectors

NDVI: Landstat Normalized Diffusion Index, used to quantify vegetation density and greenness and assess plant health

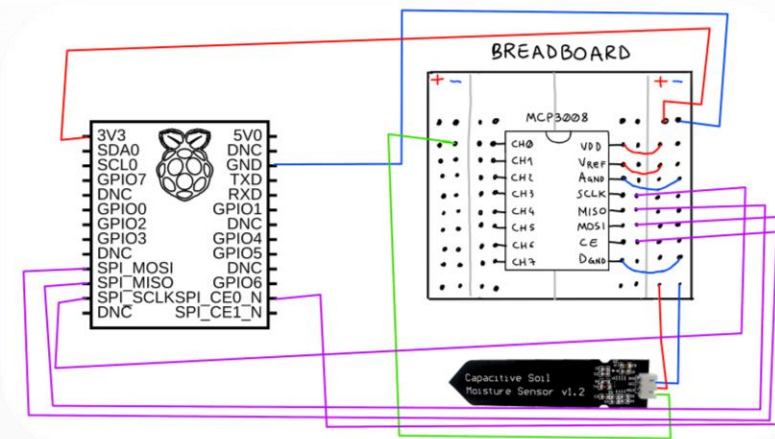
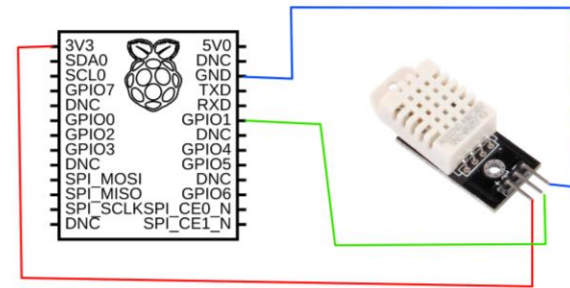


Connect to the sensors

Continuously send the measurements to the InfluxDB on the host

At the moment log:

- **Temperature**
- **Moisture**
- **Humidity**
- Light Level
- NDVI



SMOL
SMOL Program


SMOL Scheduler

Data Collector



Actuator



SMOL Program

SMOL



1. Reads the **asset model** [**OWL** ontology that formally describes the PT, its components, properties and relationship between them]
2. Generates **SMOL Objects** for each **individual** formalized in the asset model
3. Retrieves the sensor data associated with a given asset from the Influx database
4. If a plant needs to be watered it gets added to a list of plants to water with a simple check on the optimal value found in the ontology

SMOL Scheduler



Gradle project

1. Starts remotely the data collectors
2. **Syncs** the **asset model** so that changes are reflected in real time in the data collectors configuration files
3. Schedules at fixed rate the execution of the SMOL program
4. Lifts the state of the SMOL program with the REPL and sends a command to the actuators that starts the pumps for the plants in the «plantsToWater» list, lifted from SMOL

```
├── gradle/wrapper
├── src
│   ├── main
│   │   ├── java
│   │   │   └── no.uio.scheduler
│   │   │       ├── ConfigTypeEnum.java
│   │   │       ├── INIManager.java
│   │   │       ├── ModelReader.java
│   │   │       ├── Main.java
│   │   │       ├── ModelTypeEnum.java
│   │   │       ├── SMOLScheduler.java
│   │   │       ├── SSHSender.java
│   │   │       └── Utils.java
│   │   └── resources
│   │       ├── ...
│   │       ├── asset_model.ttl
│   │       └── greenhouse.smol
│   └── tests
├── .gitignore
├── .pre-commit-config.yaml
├── README.md
├── build.gradle
├── gradle.properties
├── gradlew
├── gradlew.bat
└── settings.gradle
```

Data Collectors



Structured as a Python module

Data collected is transferred to an **InfluxDB** database on the host computer

Configuration can be changed on-the-fly

Takes advantage of **git hooks** for formatting and static code analysis and **requirements file** to manage dependencies

```
.github
├── workflows
│   └── {} black.yml
├── collector
│   ├── __init__.py
│   ├── __main__.py
│   ├── assets
│   ├── config.ini.example
│   ├── config.py
│   ├── demo
│   ├── influx
│   ├── sensors
│   └── tests
├── git .gitignore
├── {} .pre-commit-config.yaml
├── ↓ README.md
├── 📄 requirements.txt
└── 📁 scripts
```



```
i
├── assets
│   ├── __init__.py
│   ├── asset.py
│   ├── greenhouse_asset.py
│   ├── measurement_type.py
│   ├── plant_asset.py
│   ├── pot_asset.py
│   ├── pump_asset.py
│   ├── shelf_asset.py
│   └── utils.py
```

Assets

Mirrors the assets in the physical greenhouse

```
i
├── influx
│   ├── __init__.py
│   └── influx_controller.py
```

Influx

Singleton wrapper for the **influxdb_client** library

```
i
├── sensors
│   ├── __init__.py
│   ├── humidity.py
│   ├── interpreter.py
│   ├── light_level.py
│   ├── mcp3008.py
│   ├── moisture.py
│   ├── ndvi.py
│   ├── temperature.py
│   └── water_level.py
```

Sensors

Contains classes that represent the sensors connected and enable their readout



```
from collector.sensors.interpreter import Interpreter
from collector.sensors.mcp3008 import MCP3008

class Moisture:
    def __init__(self, adc: MCP3008, channel: int) -> None:
        """Initializes the Moisture sensor.

        Args:
            adc (MCP3008): the analog to digital converter
            channel (int): the channel of the ADC to which the sensor is connected
        """
        self.interpret = Interpreter("moisture").interpret

        self.adc = adc
        self.channel = channel

    def read(self) -> float:
        return self.interpret(self.adc.read(self.channel))

    def stop(self):
        self.adc.close()
```



```
import json
import numpy as np

from collector.config import CONFIG_PATH
from configparser import ConfigParser

class Interpreter:
    """
    Class that interprets raw values from sensors to meaningful values. Uses a linear interpolation,
    a variable number of points can be used to define the interpolation function.
    """

    def __init__(self, sensor: str, range: tuple = (0, 100)):
        conf = ConfigParser()
        conf.read(CONFIG_PATH)

        self.XP = json.loads(conf[sensor + "_values"]["XP"])
        self.FP = np.linspace(range[0], range[1], len(self.XP))

        # If the first value is greater than the last one, reverse the arrays
        # numpy.interp does not work with decreasing arrays
        if self.XP[0] > self.XP[-1]:
            self.XP = self.XP[::-1]
            self.FP = self.FP[::-1]

    def interpret(self, value: float) -> float:
        return np.interp(value, self.XP, self.FP)
```



```
from spidev import SpiDev

class MCP3008:
    """
    Analog to digital converter for the Raspberry Pi. Must operate at 3.3V
    Uses the SPI protocol to communicate with the Raspberry Pi.
    """

    def __init__(self, bus = 0, device = 0) -> None:
        self.bus, self.device = bus, device
        self.spi = SpiDev()
        self.open()
        self.spi.max_speed_hz = 1000000 # 1MHz

    def open(self):
        self.spi.open(self.bus, self.device)
        self.spi.max_speed_hz = 1000000 # 1MHz

    def read(self, channel = 0) -> float:
        adc = self.spi.xfer2([1, (8 + channel) << 4, 0])
        data = ((adc[1] & 3) << 8) + adc[2]
        return data / 1023.0 * 3.3 # convert from 10bit value to voltage reading

    def close(self):
        self.spi.close()
```


Conclusions



Working prototype that continuously logs data and waters the plant if the moisture goes below the optimal value

FUTURE DEVELOPMENT

- Design an FMU to simulate and predict the behaviour of the system
- Integrate more sensors and actuators
- Design supports for the various components
- Expand the scope to a bigger project





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