Show Runner Service

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This document describes the technical details of the Reflections service to command and control the wrist watch. The design goals:

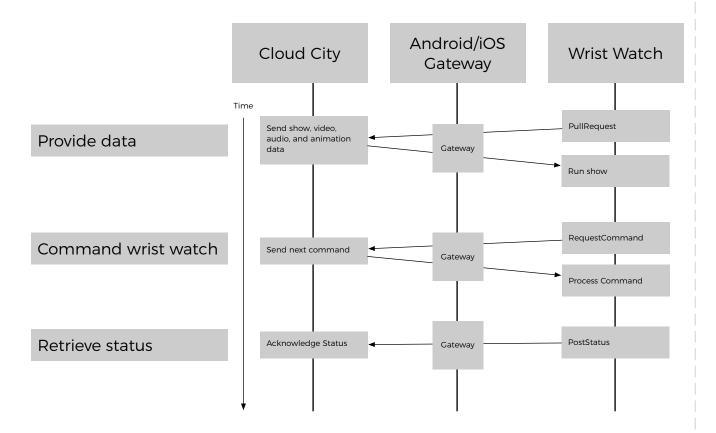
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- 1) Three-tier architecture: Cloud City, Android/iOS Gateway, Wrist Watch Device
- 2) Provide video, audio, and animation data to the wrist watch device
- 3) Command the wrist watch device remotely from a Cloud service
- 4) Retrieve wrist watch status to the Cloud service

Requirements:

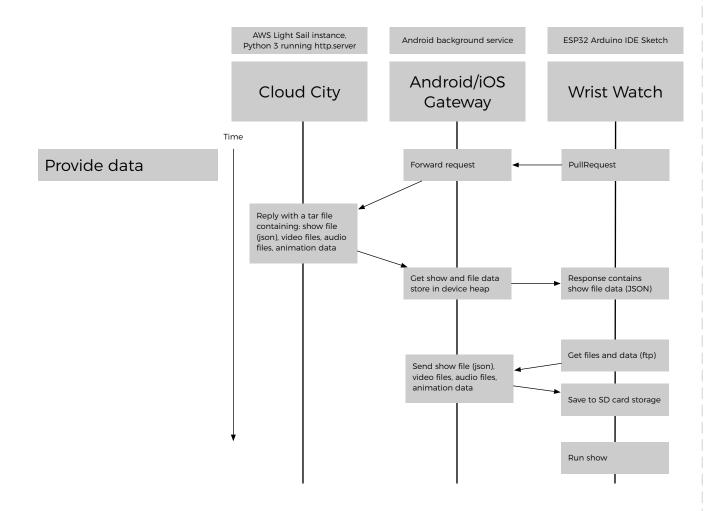
- a) Convert the ESP32 Android App to an Android service. Runs in the background. Parameters read from a configuration file with no need for any main activity (no UI). Starts up automatically. https://stackoverflow.com/questions/32195344/converting-my-app-to-a-service
- b) Implements communication using pull architecture. Wrist Watch initiates the requests without the need for a UI or user behavior.
- c) Implements a Web-based UI for user interaction. No data persistence (no database) at Cloud City layer. Feature implemented: Run Show, Get Status, Send Show
- d) Write watch identifies itself as a device to Cloud City.

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Software implementing the Show Runner Service is at https://github.com/frankcohen/ReflectionsOS

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Provide Data flow is asynchronous. The wrist watch initiates a PullRequest and the rest of the flow happens as the show data is ready to transfer from Cloud City and the Gateway.

PullRequest happens over Bluetooth Classic and Serial Bridge. The request is JSON encoded. The response contains the Show in JSON encoding.

Wrist watch uses Bluetooth Classic and Service Bridge as a transport for FTP protocols.

Show file contains all needed instructions to run a show on the wrist watch device.

```
"ReflectionsShow": {
"title": "Franks First Show",
"showname": "frank1".
"events": {
 "event": {
  "Name": "Grim Grinning Ghosts from Disneyland Haunted Mansion",
  "trigger": "OnStart",
  "comment", "Plays a sequence once upon startup",
  "sequence": {
   "PlayAtOnce": {
    "comment": "PlayAtOnce plays from the same starting time, and stops when either ends.",
    "playvideo": "Ghosts.mpg,
    "playaudio": "Ghosts.wav"
   "PlayAtOnce": {
    "playvideo": "Hurry.mpg",
    "playaudio": "Hurry.wav"
  "event": {
  "trigger": "OnHour",
  "comment": "Plays time announcement on the hour",
  "sequence": {
   "PlayAtOnce": {
    "playvideo": "Time$hour.mjpeg",
    "playaudio": "Time$hour.wav"
  "event": {
  "trigger": "ButtonPressed",
  "RunAndReturn": "button".
  "comment": "This runs the show file and then returns to this show"
  "Arguments": "$trigger"
```

The wrist watch initiates a PullRequest and receives a Show response. Response is JSON encoded data.

Triggers are event handlers:

OnStart - happens when the wrist watch finishes running a show and is ready to run the next show

OnHour - happens once an hour OnQuarterHour - happens 4 times an hour OnMinute - happens each minute ButtonPressed - happens when a button is pressed

Sequences happen serially, one after another. They contain one or more Play commands.

PlayAtOnce - starts the play commands at the same moment. For example, video and audio start at the same time.

Shows have an embedded system of variables and resolution. For example, \$hour is replaced with the hour of the day.

playvideo - finds the video file in a subdirectory named for the show. If it doesn't find the file it alternatively uses a file from the /reflections/ basedata directory

playaudio - finds the audio file in a subdirectory named for the show. If it doesn't find the file it alternatively uses a file from the /reflections/ basedata directory

RunAndReturn allows one show to run another, pass arguments/values, and return to continue running the show

File names conform to the FAT 8.3 standard

```
SD Card
frank1
 show.jsn
 ghosts.mpg
 ghosts.wav
 hurry.mpg
 hurry.wav
basedata
  device.dat
  button
  show.jsn
  timebig.wav
  timesml.wav
  time1.mpg
  time2.mpg
  time3.mpg
  time4.mpg
  time5.mpg
  time6.mpg
  time7.mpg
  time8.mpg
  time9.mpg
  time10.mpg
  time11.mpg
  time12.mpg
 startup
  show.jsn
  start.mpg
  start.wav
```

The wrist watch runs a Show Runner program.

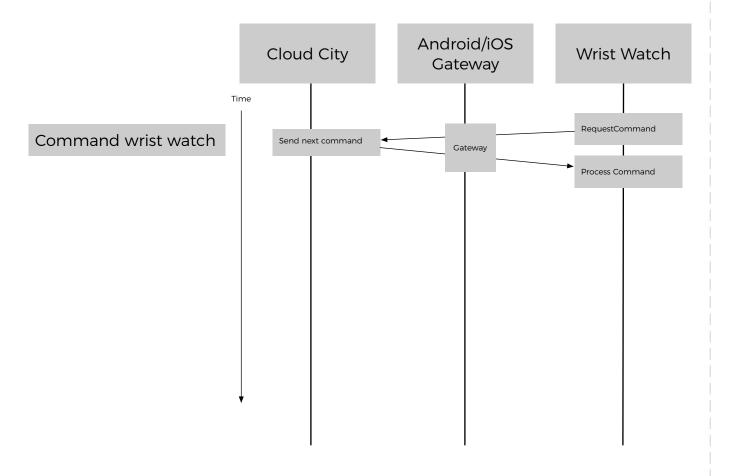
The wrist watch SD card stores new shows retrieved from Cloud City. It also stores default data to operate the watch. For example, Show Runner uses the startup show stored in the basedata directory when the wrist watch is powered on.

Show Runner registers event handlers from the Button show upon start-up. It then makes a PullRequest to Cloud City.

Internet connectivity is not assumed to be available. Basedata contains a set of preprogrammed shows to play while the watch tries to pair with the gateway and establishes Internet connectivity to Cloud City.

PullRequest receives the show. Show Runner creates a directory on the SD card using the showname element. Show Runner parses the show and downloads referenced files into the directory. It stores the contents of the show to the show.jsn file.

basedata/device.dat contains JSON coded data with a GUID for the device and the client-side encryption key.



Command Wrist Watch identifies the wrist watch device to Cloud City and sends a command to the watch.

At the time of manufacture we create the Device.dat file with GUID and client-side key.

RequestCommand sends the Device GUID value. Cloud City registers new GUID values as devices

All communication is made in encrypted protocols - using the client and server-side keys.

Response has one of these commands:
PlayShow - plays show by name
SetTime - sets internal clock
SetBaseData - saves a new show to basedata,
and does not run the show
Sleep - 1 minute
DeepSleep - 30 minutes

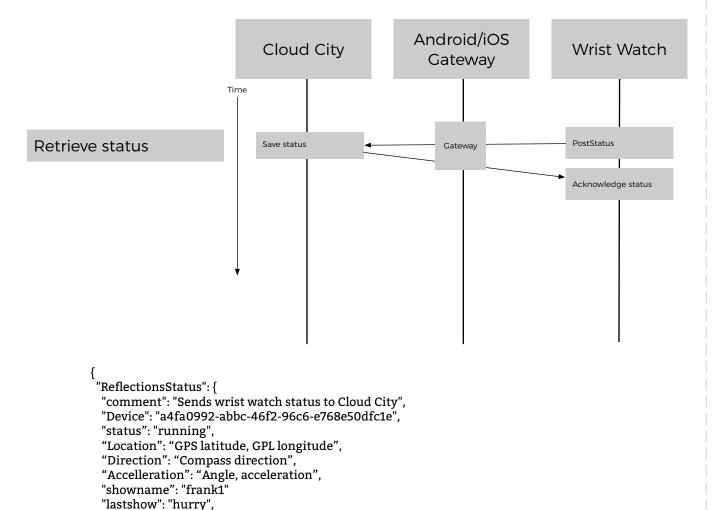
```
"ReflectionsIdentity": {
    "comment": "Wrist watch identity and client-side security key",
    "Device": "a4fa0992-abbc-46f2-96c6-e768e50dfc1e",
    "ClientKey": "IEEE802.00000adc1a7a DSA* 4f:98:25:60:3b:fe:00:ba:db:ad:56:32:c3:e2:8b:3e"
}
```

An example device.json file.

"time": "2018-12-10T13:49:51.141Z",

"productname": "reflections",
"leftbutton": "pressed"",
"middlebutton": "notpressed",
"rightbutton": "notpressed",
"batterycycles": "512",
"batterylevel": "55"

"version", "1.1",



Retrieve Status informs Cloud City of the watch device status.

An example status.json

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Wrist Watches

Device id: Serial number

Location: GPS latitude, GPL longitude

Direction: Compass direction Accelleration: Angle, acceleration

Most recent communication: date and time

Status: running Show name: name Last show: name

Version: show runner version Product name: Reflections Button status: left, right, center

Battery cycles: cycles Battery level: level

Run Show

Pause Show

Get Status

Send Show

Implements a Web-based UI for user interaction.

For each wrist watch show the last received status and buttons to run/pause a show, get status, and send a show.

Wrist watch identifies itself by sending a Retrieve Status request to Cloud City.

This is a pull architecture where the wrist watch sketch initiates a GetCommand request, and Cloud City responds with a Run Show command.

Pause sends a pause command to the wrist watch

Get Status sends a send status command to the wrist watch.

Send Show displays a list of tar show files from a Shows directory on the Cloud City AWS instance. The user selects a Show. Cloud City sends the tar show file to the wrist watch.