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# **Cloud specifications**

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# **Chapter 1**

# **Database specification**

An SQL database based on Firebird has been deployed for the purpose of this course. The database is composed of 4 tables:

- customer: storing the information related to the customers
- logs: storing logs related ot messages published over MQTT
- configuration: stores status and information related to the devices.
- extension: stores any additional hardware extension related to the devices

#### 1.0.1 Customer table

The customers is composed of the following fields:

- id: primary key, auto-increment
- group\_id: equivalent to the username of a customer. By default each group is assigned a group\_id "PL19-N" where N is the number of the Raspberry Pi (RP) given to each group. Note that N is represented over two digits (groups having a RP with N < 10 will have a group\_id equal to "PL19-0N")
- group\_psw: the password that will be used by each group to perform authentication to the services offered by the cloud. Passwords have been already preset and will be published alongside with this document.
- group\_info: Any additional information related to the group. Each group is required to fill it **at least** with names, surnames and student ids of its members.

### 1.0.2 Logs table

- device\_id: id of the device that generated the log entry. Foreign key is configuration.id
- timestamp\_srv: the timestamp at which the log message has been processed. Supported format is %Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S.%f.
- timestamp\_dev: the timestamp at which the log message has been generated by the device.

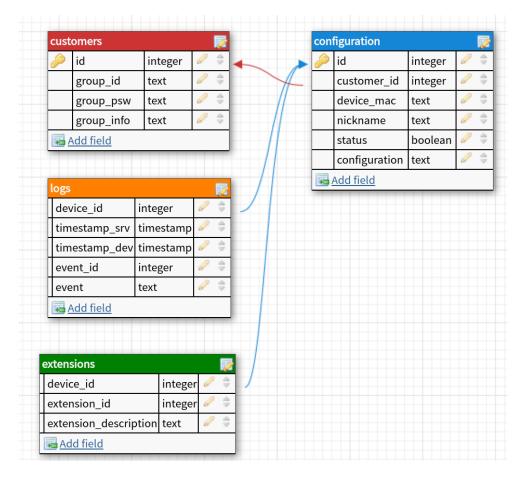


Figure 1.1: Database schema

- event\_id: identification number of the generated event. See subsequent sections for a lsit of possible ids.
- event: text field containing information related to the generated event.

# 1.0.3 Configuration table

- id: primary key, auto-increment
- customer\_id: foreign key which specifies the owner of the device.
- device\_mac: the MAC address of the device
- nickname: textual identifier of the device given by the customer.
- status: binary value specifying whether the device is active or not. This field is employed by the ping service explained later in Sec. 2
- configuration: arbitrary string used to store device-specific configuration

### 1.0.4 Extension table

Left for further implementation

# **Chapter 2**

# **MQTT** specification

# 2.1 Connecting to the cloud broker

# 2.2 Available topics and their functionality

#### pl19/event

The event topic is used in order to communicate with the broker. Client are required to publish all updates to this topic.

#### pl19/notification

The notification topic is used by the server as a broadcast channel in order to publish information related to all customers.

# 2.3 Message structure

All published messages/events must include the following fields:

- 1. event\_id: an integer value specifying the id of the generated event.
- 2. timestamp: the timestamp specifying the message generation time. See section 1 for details of the format.
- 3. device\_mac: a string field containing the MAC address of the device which publishes the message. MAC address "00:00:00:00:00:00" is reserved to the broker.
- 4. event: a string field containing arbitrary information about the event.

## 2.4 MQTT services

## Ping service

The server will periodically publish a ping request on the notification channel. A ping request message can be identified by the following information:

1.  $event_id = 0$ 

2. event\_data = JSON formatted string containing at least the following fields: {sequence:sequence, message:message}.

All clients are required to reply on the event channel by specifying an  $event\_id = 1$  and with an event field containing a JSON formatted string with the sequence number related to the ping request.

### 2.5 Lambda execution

A special Lambda function is executed on AWS whenever a new message is published on either of the channels. By default the Lambda function stores all messages inside the log table of the database. If the processed message is a ping reply the Lambda function updates the status of the device which generated the response by setting the status field of the transmitting device to 1 inside the configuration table. Statuses are instead reset to 0 whenever the lambda function processes a ping request message.

# **Chapter 3**

# Web service specification

The APIs are reachable at:

http://ec2-34-220-162-82.us-west-2.compute.amazonaws.com:5002 All APIs are written with Flask and treat all data as JSON strings.

# 3.1 Available APIs

#### 3.1.1 Authentication

In order to use the APIs you are required an authentication token. The authentication token can be obtained via a call to the /auth API as follows:

#### /auth

Synopsis: POST /auth

/auth

Parameters: {"username":username, "password":password}

Header: Content-Type: application/json Status code: 200 OK, 400 Bad Request

#### Response

Content-Type	application/json
Value	{"access_token":token}

#### example

The token must be securely stored on the local machine and used for subsequent calls to the APIs. The token expires after 24h (or in the event of a system shutdown), thus it requires to be periodically re-generated.

# 3.1.2 Group information retrieval/update

Groups can modify information related to their groups via the following API:

# /user/::group\_id

Synopsis: GET /user/::group\_id

/user/::group\_id

Parameters:

Header: Authorization: JWT ::token Status code: 200 OK, 400 Bad Request

# Response

Content-Type application/json

Value {"group\_info": group\_info, "group\_id": group\_id, "group\_psw":

group\_psw}

#### example

Synopsis: POST /user/::group\_id

/user/::group\_id

Parameters: {"group\_info": group\_info, "group\_id": group\_id}

Header: Content-Type: application/json

Authorization: JWT ::token

Status code: 200 OK, 400 Bad Request

## Response

Content-Type application/json
Value

#### example

## 3.1.3 Device information retrieval/update

Groups can modify information related to their groups via the following API:

### /user/::group\_id/devices

Synopsis: GET /user/::group\_id/devices

/user/::group\_id/devices

Parameters:

Header: Authorization: JWT ::token Status code: 200 OK, 400 Bad Request

### Response

Content-Type application/json

Value "{"status": status, "data": {"configuration": configuration, "nickname":

nickname, "device\_status": device\_status, "device\_mac": device\_mac}}"

#### example

Synopsis: POST /user/::group\_id/devices

/user/::group\_id/devices

Parameters: {"device\_mac":"00:00:00:00:00", "nickname":"Test", "configura-

tion":"test config"}

Header: Content-Type: application/json

Authorization: JWT ::token

Status code: 200 OK, 400 Bad Request

#### Response

Content-Type application/json
Value

#### example

# 3.1.4 Logs retrieval

Logs related to a particular device can be retrieved via a specific call. The parameter of the call is group id as it is assumed for simplicity to have a 1-to-1 mapping between a group and a device.

# /user/::group\_id/logs

Synopsis: GET /user/::group\_id/logs

/user/::group\_id/logs

Parameters:

Header: Authorization: JWT ::token Status code: 200 OK, 400 Bad Request

# Response

Content-Type	application/json
Value	"{"status": status, "data": [{"event_id": event_id, "timestamp_dev":
	timestamp_dev, "timestamp_srv": timestamp_srv, "event": "{"message":
	message, "sequence": sequence\right\", "device_id": device_id\right\",]\right\"

#### example