

Design Document

Remote Monitoring of Power Consumption in a Cloud Server Network

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Preface

This document is the third release of the Design Document concerned with this project. This document is primarily aimed at the parties involved in this project, that is, the customer and the company involved in providing solution to the customer's needs. The company comprises of Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and the developer team Zenoss. Firstly, the document starts with glossary and abbreviations which define the technical terms and abbreviations used in the document. Secondly, we have sections describing the purpose of each module comprising the system architecture, which requirements does it satisfy and its interaction with other modules. Each section has detailed designs of the module's implementation and related test specifications. Lastly, there is a references section giving a list of the references used for the creation of this document.

This is version DD1.2 of the document and the version history is as follows:

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- Made changes in Figure 3 by including SNMP as one of the data retrieval methods.
- Added SNMP as one of the data retrieval methods in Section 4.
- Modified M1T1, M1T2, M2T1 and M2T2 tests by providing deterministic results.
- The purpose of tests M3T6 and M3T7 have been explained in detail.

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- Description of the databases is added in section 3.1
- Figure 3 has been changed.
- Text in section 4.1 is added to describe Figure 3.
- New module test requirements M3T1, M3T2, M3T3, M3T3, M3T4, M3T5, M3T6, and M3T7 have been added and described.

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• Initial release

1. Glossary and abbreviations

API- Application Program Interface

An interface, generally specified as a set of operations, that allows access to an application program's functionality.

CN- Computer Node

HTTP- Hypertext Transfer Protocol

It is an application protocol for distributed, collaborative and hypermedia information systems.

NMS- Network Management System

It constantly monitors a computer network and notifies the network administrator in case of outages.

PDU- Power Distribution Unit

It is a device designed to distribute electric power with multiple outputs.

SNMP- Simple Network Management Protocol

It is an internet-standard protocol for managing devices on IP networks.

SSH- Secure Shell

It is a cryptographic network protocol for secure network services between two networked computers.

UPS- *Uninterruptable Power Supply*

It is an electrical device that provides emergency power when the input power supply fails.

VM- Virtual Machine

It is a software based emulation of a computer. Virtual Machines operate based on the computer architecture and functions of a real or hypothetical computer.

Test Identification string

Used to uniquely identify tests for modules. Follows the following format:

 $M < Module \ no. > T < Test \ no. >$

2. Module 1 – Data Retrieval

This module illustrates the process in which the data is retrieved from the remote devices. The local server, after getting a request from the user, polls the concerned devices using SNMP, to retrieve the data about the power consumption of the devices. This process is repeated multiple times to get the data in real time scenario.

This module interfaces with module 2, which is device database management module. The data is dynamically obtained and the database is updated consequently.

2.1. *Detailed design*

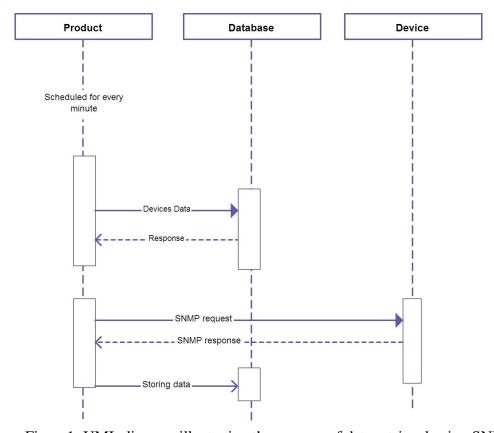


Figure 1: UML diagram illustrating the process of data retrieval using SNMP

The product first obtains the device data from the database which is storing the parameters such as IP address, SNMP community, vendor, etc. of the devices to be monitored. Based upon the response received (here the device information) it dynamically polls the device every minute to retrieve the data related to the device. This is carried out through a SNMP request. After that the device sends a corresponding SNMP response concerned to the request. Then the response is processed, after which the database is updated.

2.2. *Unit test plan*

The tests which are going to be run for this module are as follows:

M1T1 - Whether the product is performing SNMP communication

Purpose The test is primarily conducted to analyze whether the module

is performing SNMP communication with the device under

test.

Requirements UFR4, SFR3, SNR1

Environment To perform this test the module has to be tested against a

SNMP enabled device. There should be a network connection such that the module and the device can interact with each

other.

Operation The details of the SNMP enabled device should be entered in

the module. Then the SNMP requests are generated dynamically by the module to the device. This is performed

through the program which is present in the product.

Expected result The SNMP request should return with the corresponding

SNMP response. This response should be observed by the tester. This response should match the response expected

from the request.

M1T2 - Whether the retrieved data is being updated in the database

Purpose The test is primarily conducted to check if the data retrieved

through SNMP communication is being updated in the

database or not.

Requirements SFR3, SFR4, SNR1

Environment To perform this test the module has to be tested against a

SNMP enabled device. There should be a network connection such that the module and the device can interact with each

other.

Operation The details of the SNMP enabled device should be entered in

the module. Then the SNMP requests are generated dynamically by the module to the device. The data that is retrieved from the SNMP response should be dynamically updated in the database. This is performed through the

program which is present in the module. Then the tester should run operational commands associated with that database through which the tester will have know whether the database is updated from the response or not.

Expected result

The SNMP response that is obtained should be updated in the database based upon the program present in the module. This should be indicated to the tester when he/she runs the associated database operations.

3. Module 2 – Device Database Management

This module illustrates the architecture associated with the database management. The network devices information is provided by the customer. The managing entity functions to send request to the remote server to retrieve the data from the devices. The data when received from the server is stored in the local database. This data from the local database is used to create graphs and provide related notifications to the customer.

3.1. <u>Detailed design</u>

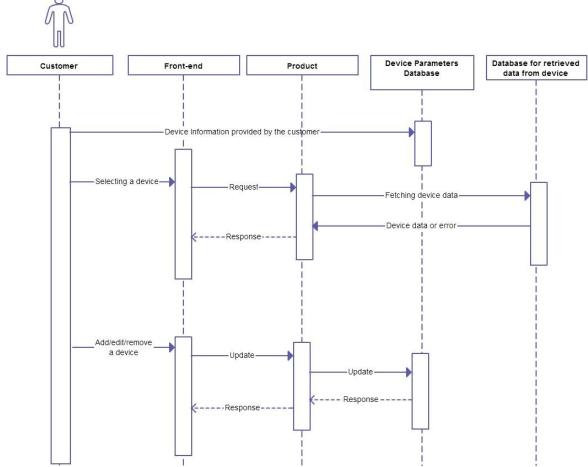


Figure 2: UML diagram illustrating device database management

The module is designed to enable effective device database management. The module will enable synchronization between the device data and the corresponding data which is retrieved from the requests which were sent to the device. The corresponding information associated with the device is updated when there is a modification associated with the device. Here the two different databases which are present are part of the same database server. They are both located in one location. The two different databases are maintained for efficient mapping between the device and its corresponding data.

3.2. *Unit test plan*

M2T1 - Whether the module is updating the device information in the database:

Purpose The test is primarily conducted to analyze whether the module is

updating the device information.

Requirements UFR1, SFR4

Environment To perform this test the module has to be tested against a SNMP

enabled device. The database should be configured in a proper manner. There should be a network connection such that the module

and the device can interact with each other.

Operation The details of the SNMP enabled device should be entered in the

module. Then the SNMP requests are generated dynamically by the module to the device. This is performed through the program which

is present in the product.

Expected result The SNMP request should return with the corresponding SNMP

response. This response should be observed by the tester. This

response should match the response expected from the request.

<u>M2T2</u> - Whether the module is updating the information retrieved for a corresponding device.

Purpose The test is primarily conducted to check if the data retrieved

through SNMP communication is being updated in the database or not. Most importantly this test is conducted to verify whether the information retrieved is for the corresponding device that has been

polled.

Requirements UFR1, UFR4, SFR4

Environment All the modules mentioned should be integrated with each other, at

least one device should be working and the user should be able to

probe this device to obtain data dynamically in real time.

Operation

The tester first logins to the front end. The tester should perform functions associated with the device. Then the tester can select a particular device to monitor the data which has been retrieved. The tester should perform run tests associated with the database to retrieve the values that have been stored and updated.

Expected result

When the operation is performed, the database should be updated based upon the corresponding information retrieved. The data obtained should be from the device which has been polled.

4. Module 3: Using the product on the front end

This module illustrates how the output is presented in the front end. The front end used here is Zenoss. The data from the product is retrieved and open source tools are used to create orderly graphs in real time. The graphs are plotted between power consumption and time on different timescales. The product also notifies the user if there are any important developments in the network especially a power failure of any of the device. The user can add, select, edit and remove any particular device for which the power consumption is to be monitored.

4.1. <u>Detailed design</u>

Selecting a device:

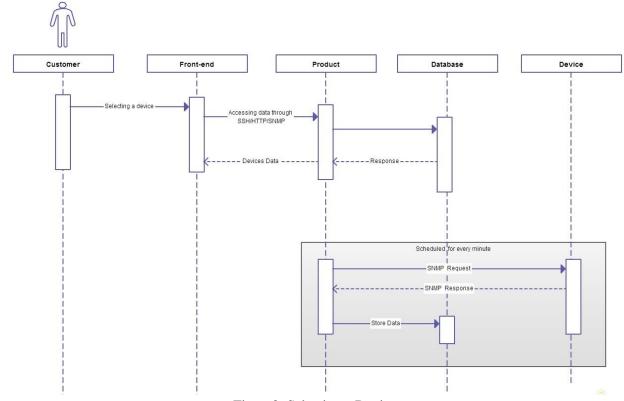


Figure 3: Selecting a Device

Here when the user selects a particular device to monitor, a request for device data is sent. The request is sent and the response is received. This is either through HTTP or SSH or SNMP. The request is processed and the device data is obtained from the database. This information stored in the database is the data which is updated from the time the device is added. The user can monitor power consumption information in the form of graphs on different time scales. After that, the user gets the information in a dynamic form and the graph is updated based on the probe rate. The devices are polled using SNMP.

Adding/Editing/Removing a device:

Here the methods of adding/editing/removing a particular device to be monitored by the user from the front-end is depicted and explained. The request is sent and the device data is processed in the database accordingly. This information stored in the database is the data which is updated from the time the device is added (in cases of editing and removing). A response is sent to convey the success/failure of the operation.

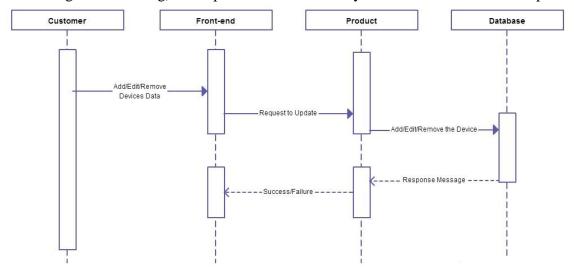


Figure 4: UML diagram illustrating the process of adding/editing/removing a device

4.2. *Unit test plan*

The tests which are going to be run on this module are as follows:

M3T1 – Adding a device:

Purpose The test is primarily conducted to check the user is able to add a

device.

Requirements UFR1, UFR4, UFR5, UFR6, UFR7, SFR4

Environment All the modules mentioned should be integrated with each other, at

least one device should be working and the user should be able to

probe this device to obtain data dynamically in real time.

Operation The tester should login into the front end. Then, the tester should

add a device. This is achieved by following the steps provided in

the user documentation.

Expected result When the device is added successfully it should be reflected in the

front end.

M3T2 – Deleting an existing device:

Purpose The test is primarily conducted to check whether the user is able to

delete an existing device.

Requirements UFR1, UFR4, UFR5, UFR6, UFR7, SFR4

Environment All the modules mentioned should be integrated with each other, at

least one device should be working and the user should be able to

probe this device to obtain data dynamically in real time.

Operation The tester should login into the front end. Then, the tester should

delete an existing device. This is achieved by following the steps

provided in the user documentation.

Expected result When an existing device is deleted successfully it should be

reflected in the front end.

M3T3 – Monitoring an existing device:

Purpose The test is primarily conducted to check whether the user is able to

monitor an existing device.

Requirements UFR1, UFR4, UFR5, UFR6, UFR7, SFR4

Environment All the modules mentioned should be integrated with each other, at

least one device should be working and the user should be able to

probe this device to obtain data dynamically in real time.

Operation The tester should login into the front end. Then, the tester should

select an existing device to monitor. This is achieved by following

the steps provided in the user documentation.

Expected result The user should successfully be able to select an existing device

and monitor it.

M3T4 – Edit an existing device:

Purpose The test is primarily conducted to check whether the user is able to

edit the information of an existing device.

Requirements UFR1, UFR4, UFR5, UFR6, UFR7, SFR4

Environment All the modules mentioned should be integrated with each other, at

least one device should be working and the user should be able to

probe this device to obtain data dynamically in real time.

Operation The tester should login into the front end. Then, the tester should

select an existing device. After that the tester should edit the information of that device. This is achieved by following the steps

provided in the user documentation.

Expected result The tester should be able to successfully edit the information

concerned with the device he/she selects.

M3T5 - Updating of graphs

Purpose The test is primarily conducted to check whether the graphs are

being updated using the data retrieved from the devices every 1

minute.

Requirements UFR1, UFR2, UFR4, UFR5, SFR4

Environment All the modules mentioned should be integrated with each other,

at least one device should be working and the user should be able

to probe this device to obtain data dynamically in real time.

Operation The tester should add a device or select/edit/remove an existing

device. The power consumption graphs related to the device should be displayed from the time it has been added. (This is subject to the condition that the manager is running as a demon). The graph should be displayed on an XY scale. Then the tester should monitor whether the graph is being updated every minute.

Expected result The tester here should ideally observe that the graph for a

particular device is being updated every minute.

M3T6 - Real-time Scenario Test

Purpose The main purpose of this is test is to verify whether the product is

reacting to changes in the dynamic network environment. This is

to establish the credibility of the product in real time scenario.

Requirements UFR1, UFR2, UFR3, UFR4, UFR5, SFR4

Environment All the modules mentioned should be integrated with each other, at

least one device should be working and the user should be able to

probe this device to obtain data dynamically in real time.

Operation The tester here should have physical access to the devices that are

being monitored. The real time scenario test part 1 consists of the

following:

• Disconnecting a particular device from the network

dynamically.

The tester then should monitor the result of the operations

performed on the front end.

Expected result The result should be as follows:

• The graph should not be updated for the disconnected device.

M3T7 – Notifications from the devices

Purpose The main aim of this test to see whether the product is able to

deliver notifications in the dynamically changing network

environment.

Requirements UFR1, UFR2, UFR3, UFR4, UFR5, SFR4

Environment All the modules mentioned should be integrated with each other, at

least one device should be working and the user should be able to

probe this device to obtain data dynamically in real time.

Operation The tester here should have physical access to the devices that are

being monitored. The tester should perform the following:

Disconnecting power supply to a UPS which is being

monitored.

The tester then should monitor the result of the operations

performed on the front end.

Expected result The result should be as follows:

• The tester should receive period updates based on the severity of the condition. The severity here is dependent

on the battery capacity of the UPS.