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1 URL Shortener Design Document

1.1 Context and scope

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The service will allow users to create shorter links and use them instead of original ones. After link was created, anyone can use it through this service. Because this is a university assignment, service will not exhibit any complex behaviour and instead will do the bare minimum, namely:

- registration
- {un}authentication
- creation of short links
- deletion of short links
- redirection to the original links
- own KV(?) -storage

1.1.1 Optimisations and restrictions

- Taking into account the absence of e-mail verification, it was decided to simplify it a bit and allow to use any valid [a-Z0-9]+ string as a username instead of e-mail.
- Length of username and password is limited to \$MAX_UNAME \$MAX_PW chars. Length of link is limited to \$MAX_LINK.

```
# size in bytes
MAX_UNAME=32
MAX_PW    =32
MAX_LINK  =1024
```

- Max number of users - 255, sorry not sorry :(This derives from 'UUID' datatype.

1.2 Goals and non-goals

The following goals (in somewhat of modified state) derive from this specification.

1. Snapshot specification.pdf downloaded at *[2021-02-18 Thu 21:40]*

1.2.1 Goals

- User registration
- User authentication
- Shortened URLs' storage
- Registered users storage
- Creation and deletion of shortened URLs
- Url validation before
- Redirection to the original URL using shortened version

1.2.2 Non-goals

- E-mail verification / providing valid e-mail
- Complex user actions (user data management, password changing, etc...)
- UI/GUI/TUI/CLI
- ...

1.3 Architecture and Design

1.3.1 Structs

```
type UUID = Word8
```

```
data User = User
```

```
{ id      :: UUID -- ^ unique ID          -- PK
, username :: Text -- ^ user's username -- Unique
, hash    :: Text -- ^ password hash
}
```

```
data Url = Url
```

```
{ id      :: UUID -- ^ unique ID          -- PK
, orig   :: Text -- ^ original url
, short  :: Text -- ^ shortened version of url -- Unique
, user   :: User -- ^ user that created a link -- FK user(id)
}
```

1.3.2 JWT tokens

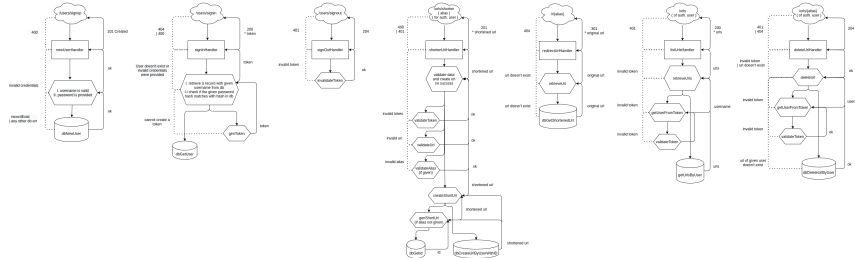
```
data Token = Token
```

```
{ secret  :: Text
, username :: Text -- ^ user's username
}
```

1.3.3 Dependencies

- servant web-server
- colog logger

1.3.4 System-context-diagram



1.3.5 API

Main API specification: openapi.yaml

- Would be nice to add 409 Conflict (or any other more suitable code) in /users/signup, when username already exists.

1.3.6 Data Storage

There are gonna be two tables a.k.a. files:

- users
- shortened links

Their representation is quiet the same as datatypes in haskell.

1. **TODO** replace with their *actual* representation.
2. **TODO** describe an algorithm of traversing through the DB Probably it's gonna be a RB-tree, but need to think about the implementation part.

Common Workflows

- insert new user
- retrieve user credentials
- generate UUID for new link
- insert link
- delete link