



ONLINE HOME AUTOMATION CONTROL SYSTEM



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List of Symbols & Abbreviations

Symbols & Abbreviations	Meaning
API	Application programming Interface
GPIO	General Purpose Input Output
GUI	Graphical User Interface
IDE	Integrated Development Environment
IoT	Internet of Things
JSON	JavaScript Object Notation
LED	Light Emitting Diode
ORM	Object relational mapping
REST	Representational State Transfer
SDK	software development kit
SDLC	Software Development Life Cycle
SQL	Structured Query Language
UI	User Interface

Table 1: List of Symbols & Abbreviations



Keywords

Keyword	Definition
Raspberry Pi	low cost, credit-card sized computer[1].
Linear solenoid	type of electromagnetic actuator that converts an electrical signal into a magnetic field producing a linear motion[2].

Table 2: Keywords



Abstract

With the recent very rapid progress in technology and automation, and towards easier daily life tasks, there has become a need for remote control of almost all possible aspects of living. Some examples are already available. However, they lack flexibility, which restrict the user to a certain set of hardwares with limited variety. The aim for this project is to control light buttons, air conditioners, television or other home appliance regardless of the person's location. The methodology is simple: an android app will send controlling requests to a web server. Raspberry Pi will be getting all the new requests from the server, processing it accordingly and controlling the hardware components connected to it. Such a system will allow someone in the United States to turn the lights in their house in Saudi Arabia on. However, an active connection to the internet must be present all the time.

CHAPTER NO. 1

INTRODUCTION



1 Introduction

1.1 Problem statement & Significance

With the recent very rapid progress in technology and automation, and towards easier daily life tasks, there has become a need for remote control of almost all possible aspects of living. Especially the house appliances that surround us, that allow focusing on main work of each day.

Some examples we have already encountered and used in our daily lives include using apps to control a cleaning robot or adjust the heating in the house or switch the house lights on or off. For the latter, there have been many applications that can do that. However, they all work in a small set of devices and sensors. It is necessary for such applications to exist, as a service like this would be important for many people. An example is working moms who are outside the house and want to switch the lights on at a certain time to wake their children up. Another example is pet owners who need to have UV lights switched on for their pets at certain times of the day but can't do so immediately and so on.

However, the main challenge in creating a device to solve this problem is where the idea of IoT (Internet of Things) comes in; learning how to control this device through the Internet from afar, rather than being controlled by infrared rays locally as is the case with most similar applications.

1.2 Proposed Solution

This project proposes building an intelligent application that is based on IoT techniques. The created app should enable the user, by clicking on the appropriate buttons, to control a physical apparatus that needs to be pushed to work, such as lights buttons. This will be done by designing and creating an Android application, then using a small laptop, called Raspberry Pi, to control a small piece that will



be pushed forward (on command) to switch the light on or off, the API is a web application hosted on a server.

1.2.1 Aims

At the end of this project, we intend to achieve the following aims:

- Learn how to design a mobile application using previously learned and new knowledge
- Learn how to invoke a web API and use it in our application
- Learn Python programming language to control Raspberry Pi
- Learn Flask web micro-framework

1.2.2 Goals

At the end of this project, we expect to deliver:

- An Android application with a user friendly, simple, clear interface with buttons to control a LED and linear solenoid. However, theoretically, the system can accept any other electronic device as long as it can be installed in the electronic circuit.
- A physical apparatus composed of the Raspberry Pi connected to and controlling the piece.
- A web application following REST architecture, managing user requests and Raspberry Pi's responses.

1.3 Project Domain & Limitation

1.3.1 Domain

This project falls under the Internet of Things (IoT) scope, which is a branch of cloud computing.



1.3.2 Limitation

This project aims to control any hardware connected to the electronic circuit. Thus, the flexibility and freedom are extremely high. However, this advantage comes at a non-financial cost: the learning curve. The users must be knowledgeable about the basics of electrical engineering and computer science. A manual could be made to make the process easier.

Although the application will be available for all kinds of users to use, we expect that the ones who would make the most use of it would be people who have some background in electrical engineering and computer science.

1.4 Gantt Chart

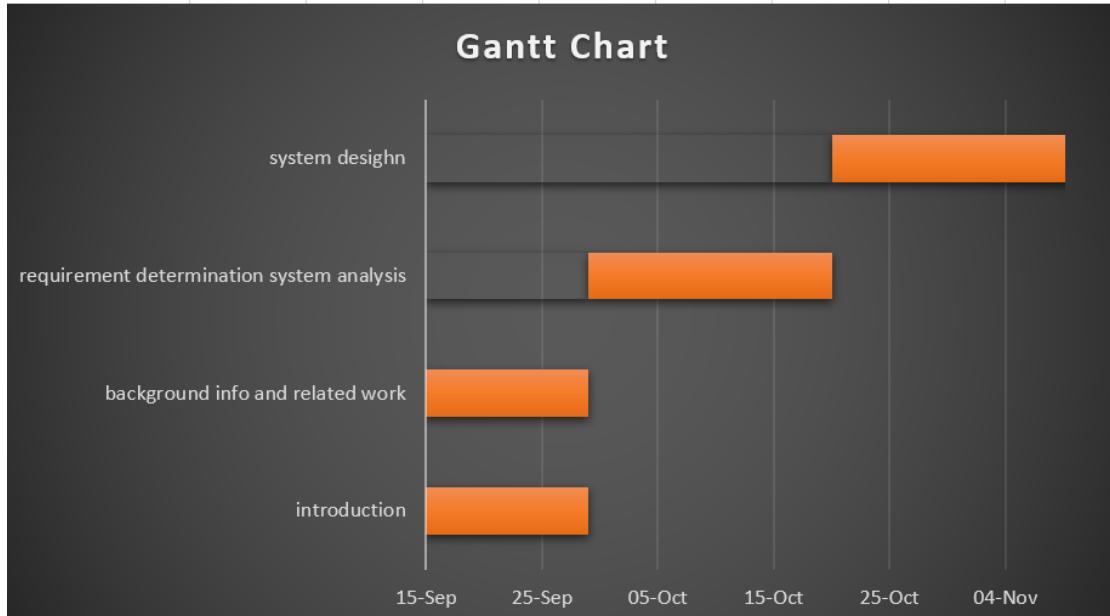


Figure 1.1: Gantt Chart

CHAPTER NO. 2

BACKGROUND INFORMATION &

RELATED WORK



2 Background Information & Related Work

2.1 Background Information

2.1.1 IoT

The internet of things (IoT) is one of the most important technological developments in the last decade. Do you wonder where the term IoT came from? It was coined by Kevin in 1999 [3]. This means we can describe IoT as the ability to connect as many things by the internet without humans help by using technologies such as cloud computing, Radio Frequency Identification (RFID), wireless communication, sensors, Internet protocol, ultra-low-power processors and others [4].

2.1.1.1 IoT Architecture

It is basically what IoT is made of. It contains three layers; Perception layer, Network layer, and Application layer. So, to know these layers better we need to know the definition of them.

- **Perception layer:** is responsible for perceiving and identifying objects or things in the environment [5].
- **Network layer:** is responsible for receiving and transmitting data between layers [6].
- **Application layer:** is the interface for all previous layers used to process and transport data to provide services to the users [7].

2.1.1.2 IoT Applications

There are different kinds of applications that make life easier and more secure. These are some examples of them:

- **Automobiles:** by IoT technology, it makes cars smarter and works to improve safety on the road by helping cars detect obstacles and assist braking



or adapt their speed to the flow of traffic. Also it helps protect the environment by reducing fuel consumption, etc [8].

- **Smart Home:** You can control your entire home with a touch screen or your smartphone whether you are inside or outside a home, for example, you can lock or open your doors, turn on/off the light and air conditioner, etc [9].
- **Healthcare:** IoT has an important role in healthcare applications by providing the ability to easily monitor and manage patient health without having to manually visit each patient the doctor can give a remote diagnosis to provide quality care more quickly and manage the health care environment more efficiently [6].

2.1.2 Hardware

- **Raspberry Pi:** a small general purpose computer. All hardware components will be connected to it. An active connection to the internet is needed for it to fetch data from the server[1].
- **Ubuntu Web Server:** hosts the web application. Digital Ocean servers[10] were chosen for this project.
- **LED:** since the hardware components controlled depends heavily on the user needs, this project main aim will be controlling a small LED. LED stands for light-emitting diode[11]. Basically a small light source.
- **Linear Solenoid:** once the LED works, linear solenoid will be installed for demonstrating the idea[2]. It is a small component that generates a linear motion. It will be used to press in anything, such as lights, TV remote, and coffee machine.



2.1.3 Programming Languages & Frameworks

- **Python:** raspberry pi can be controlled by either c++ or python. Python was chosen because a REST API can be made using it fast.
 - **GPIO:** a library for controlling any hardware component connected to the GPIO pins[[12](#)].
 - **Flask:** a lightweight framework to build web applications[[13](#)].
- **Java:** mobile application are made in a native way with either swift or java.
 - **Android:** a framework for making android apps.
 - **Retrofit:** type-safe HTTP client for Android and Java[[14](#)]. It will be used to send and receive commands and status from the web server.
- **PostgreSQL:** an open-source RDBMS[[15](#)]. It will be installed on the server.

2.1.4 SDLC Model

Incremental model will be used in this project. This model is a process of software development where requirements are broken down into multiple standalone modules of software development cycle. Incremental development is done in steps from analysis design, implementation, testing / verification, maintenance[[16](#)]. The reason this model was chosen is the pieces will be installed, tested and connected to the system gradually. First a LED, then a linear solenoid and so on.



2.2 Related Work

2.2.1 Insteon - Insteon Hub

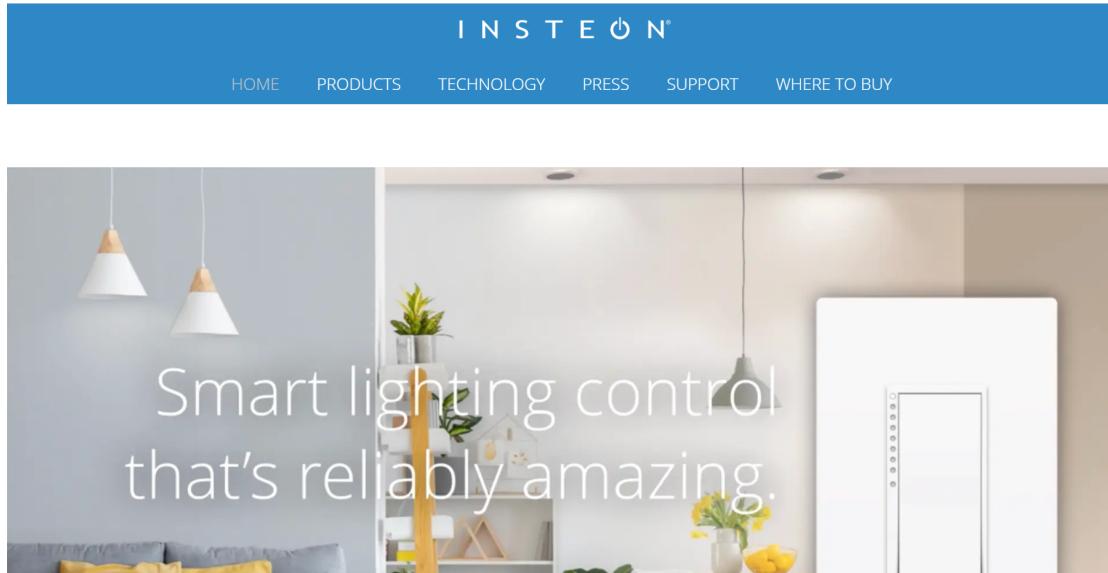


Figure 2.1: Related Work: Insteon

Insteon Hub is a simple and straightforward system that connects you to your home from any smartphone or tablet, anywhere in the world. Control Insteon light bulbs, wall switches, outlets, and thermostats at home or remotely and receive instant email or push notification alerts from motion, door and window, water leak, and smoke sensors while you're away[17]. *Figure 2.1* shows the home page for Insteon.

• **Advantage:**

1. Control Multiple Devices Simultaneously with a Basic Scene.
2. Create Schedules to Turn Your Lights On and Off at Specific Times.
3. Automatically Turn Lights On and Off with Sensors.
4. Monitor Your Home with Email or Push Notification Alerts.

• **Disadvantage:**



1. Hub setup takes a couple of minutes and a few moments per light switch, sensor.
2. Its need to connect it to power and your home's internet router so if the internet die all devices need to start over again.
3. fixed the hub take more cost than its original price.
4. There is no database save/restore. You have to recreate all the devices, scenes, schedules if its replaced.



2.2.2 Wink - Wink Hub 2



Figure 2.2: Related Work: Wink

Wink Hub 2 is the world's first smart home hub created for the mainstream consumer. With industry-leading smart home protocol support, enhanced connectivity features, and a sleek design, Wink Hub 2 brings hundreds of products from best-in-class brands together for a simple, intuitive experience[18]. *Figure 2.2 shows the home page for Wink.*

- **Advantage:**

1. Support Different platforms such as iOS or Android.
2. Once you've created an account, Wink has the ability to recognize the products within Wink Bright, guide you through a few simple steps, and then you're ready to go.
3. Wink works with Cortana Microsoft's voice assistant and Amazon Alexa.
4. One important feature in Wink, it can see what you're spending even before the bill arrives.

- **Disadvantage:**



1. One major problem with the Wink 2 hub is that the device sometimes loses connectivity and must be reset in order for it to connect again.
2. Wink app doesn't always let you access other devices' full features.
3. High price.
4. Takes 14 days to arrive.



2.2.3 Samsung Smart Things Hub

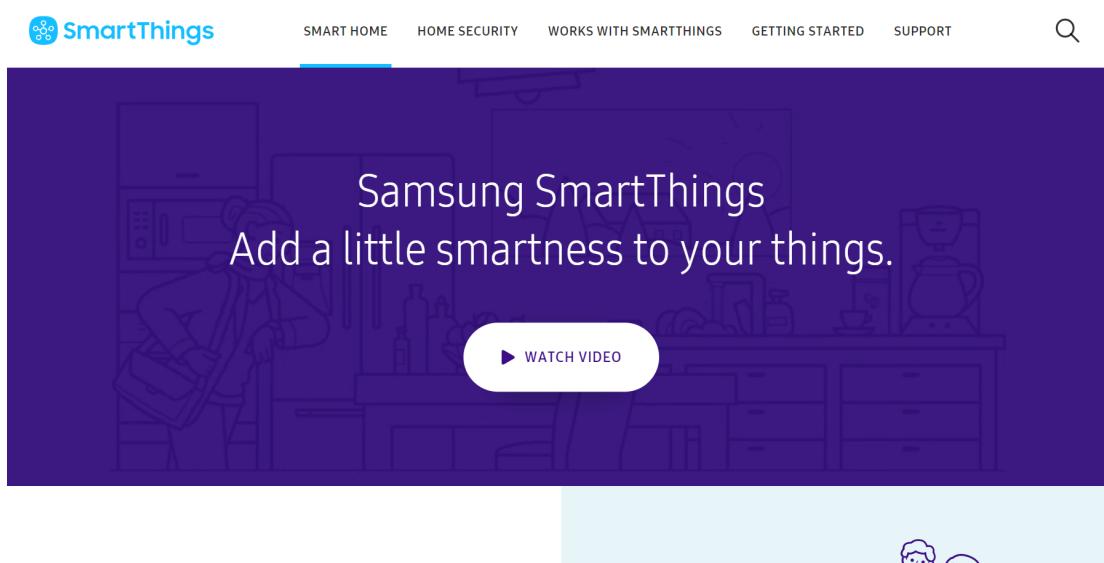


Figure 2.3: Related Work: Samsung

Smart things hub Connect wirelessly with a wide range of smart devices and make them work together[19]. *Figure 2.3* shows the home page for Samsung.

- **Advantage:**

1. Monitor and control connected devices in your home using a single SmartThings app for iPhone or Android.
2. Manage connected devices in your home with SmartThings Routines for Good Morning, Goodbye, Good Night, and more.
3. Receive alerts from connected devices when theres unexpected activity in your home.

- **Disadvantage:**

1. Some compatible components may not work as efficiently or smoothly as you want them to, which may be inconvenient.
2. Some users report it stops working at times.
3. Difficult to upgrade from older hub.
4. In US Only.



2.3 Proposed & Similar System Comparison

	Raspberry Pi	Insteon	Wink hub 2	Samsung (smart things)
design				
Hub Price	25\$	80\$	99\$	70\$
Hardware Price	parts are very cheap	expensive parts	very expensive parts	expensive parts
Flexibility	any hardware that can be physically connected	42 hardwares of basic variety [20]	102 hardwares of different variety [21]	only 6 hardwares support [22]
Installation & Configuration Difficulty	require one expert user. Easy control for all other users via mobile app	easy to install and control hardwares with mobile app	easy to install and control hardwares with mobile app	easy to install and control hardwares with mobile app

Table 2.1: Proposed & Similar System Comparison

Better quality can be found at Appendix A



Although similar systems already exist, our system has its own special advantages. The biggest being **hardware freedom**. In other systems, there exists a main hub receiving user command from the mobile app. So far, the ideas and implementation is identical. The previous systems require the consumer to buy additional parts for it to work, such as special LED lights that need installation or a small component controlling air conditioners. Those parts are usually limited in numbers, usage and can get very expensive fast. On the other hand, our system works with any hardware component as long as connecting it to the electrical circuit is possible.

However, this great flexibility comes with a great sacrifice: the steep learning curve. To keep the hardware prices as low as possible while maintaining high flexibility requires the buyer household to have one expert user. For example, in a family of four, all can control the AC. However, one of them must be an expert who can configure the hardware controlling the AC and adding it to raspberry pi manually. Of course, making it easier is possible, but it will result in a higher component cost and less flexibility as hardware components would need to be bought from our company (future implementation) in comparison to buying it from any cheap electronic store (current proposed solution).

figure 2.4 shows this relationship between flexibility, cost and usability for the three systems, our proposed solution and the merchant edition(future work).

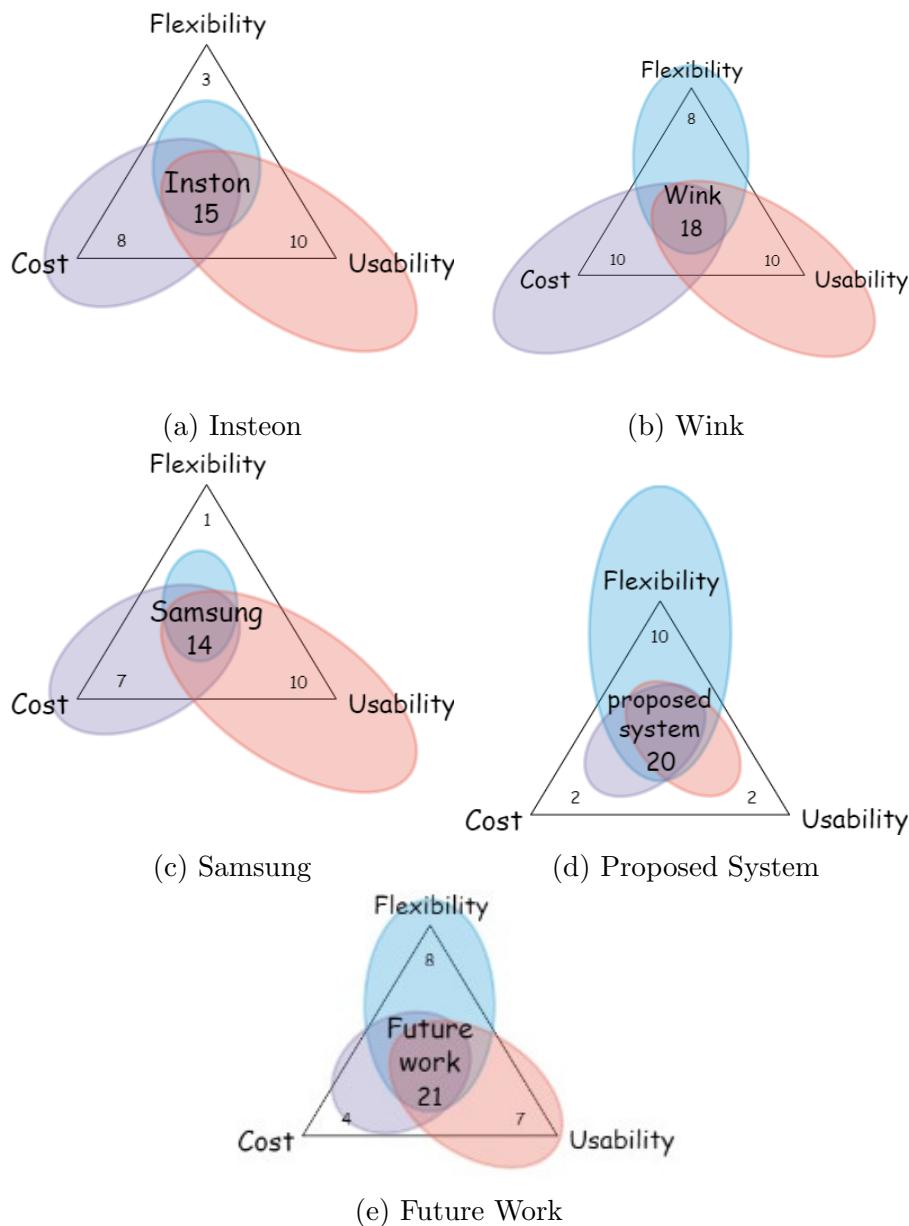


Figure 2.4: Relationship between cost, flexibility and usability

CHAPTER NO. 3

SYSTEM ANALYSIS



3 System Analysis

3.1 Requirement Specification

These requirements were selected after discussing the proposed idea thoroughly. Top-down approach was used, in which we discussed the general goal of this project, then broke it down even further to smaller manageable units.

3.1.1 Overview

The proposed project consists of three main systems: the android application which will be the user interface, the Raspberry Pi, which is the small computer where all the hardware pieces will be connected to, and the web server which will host the REST web application and be the connection between the android application and the Raspberry Pi.

First, the user is required to install the android app on his mobile phone. When the app is opened, the user either register or login. Once logged in, a list of raspberry pis is shown with the possibility of adding more. To add a new raspberry pi, the user must scan the QR code that belongs to the raspberry pi. Any user or raspberry added is immediately uploaded to the web server.

Once a raspberry is clicked, an activity displaying the hardwares that are connected to the Raspberry Pi is shown. It gets this list of hardwares from the webserver by using the GET method. When the user clicks on any hardware that is there, a new activity opens. In it is mentioned the name of the hardware, the status (e.g. whether it is on or off), the commands and the scheduling configuration. All of this information is obtained from the server.

Next to the commands title, there will be a small button that when clicked on will open a third activity, which gives the option of adding a new command. The command can be instantaneous (for example, switching an LED light immediately)



or it can be scheduled for a later date or time. For the instantaneous command, the POST method will be used, and for scheduling the commands, the user will have the option to choose the date and time he wishes the commands to be undertaken in. Whatever the outcome of this process is, a popup message will appear to the user either confirming the success of the command the user issued, or denying it while explaining the reason for that failure.

Under the commands tab, there will be a configuration section where all the scheduled commands will appear, along with their dates and times and options to edit them or delete them. The edit option will be done by the PUT method and the deleted option by the DELETE method. All the methods work on the data in the servers database i.e. they either add a new command (POST), edit a scheduled command (PUT), or delete an existing command (DELETE).

For the Raspberry Pi, the sequence it works according to is timed. Every 5 minutes, it puts the hardware status to the server so that it can show on the users application hardware list. Also, every 30 seconds, it checks the server for any new commands posted by the user from the android application. If there are any new ones that have to be, it updates its own local database (a local queue) according to the priorities and scheduled dates and times of the commands. This local database is organized according to the time the command was issued (i.e. the instantaneous commands are put at the front of this queue because of their precedence and the scheduled ones are put in the command order) and contains the command ID, which hardware this command was issued for, when this command was issued, and whether the command was successfully done or not, all gotten from the server by the GET method except the successfully done column, which the Raspberry edits according to the hardware.

Whatever the result of the command was, the Raspberry posts the response of the command to the server. The android application gets this response from



the server every 5 or 10 minutes, depending on the users choice. The response is displayed as a push notification in the users mobile phone. Depending on this response, the status and configuration information in the app will be updated to reflect the success or failure of the command response. Finally, it is important to note that any new hardware or configuration added to or connected to the Raspberry will have its information posted to the server by the Raspberry computer, where the user can view it then as soon as he opens his application to the first activity. When the response is successfully done and read by the user, the webserver deletes it from the database to save space. The webserver also deletes instantaneous commands once the user is notified the execution result.

3.1.1.1 Input

The user command issued using the Android client is the main input. Each command consist of the following:

- chosen hardware.
- configuration wanted.
- optional scheduling information.

The **hardware** is the physical component connected to raspberry pi. Each hardware has a set of possible states that it can be in. Those states are called **configuration**. The **schedule** indicates the time of day and days of week the user might want the command to run at.

3.1.1.2 Output

- a response

The raspberry pi issues a **response** indicating whether the command has been successfully done with an optional message. This response is saved in the web-server, which in turn is read by the android client periodically.



3.2 Requirement Analysis

3.2.1 Software Requirements

- **Android Application**

- **Java programming language:** it is a general-purpose, concurrent, class-based, object-oriented programming language[23]. It is going to be used to develop the android mobile application.
- **Android SDK:** a software development kit for developing android mobile apps. It includes a comprehensive set of development tools and libraries to aid the development process[24].
- **Retrofit library:** a type-safe HTTP client for Android and Java[14]. It will be used to send and receive commands and status from the web server.
- **Android studio:** Android Studio is the official integrated development environment for Google's Android operating system[24]. This IDE is going to be used to write the android application code.

- **Web Application**

- **Python programming language:** it is a high-level interpreted general purpose language[25]. It will be used in making the web application.
- **Flask framework:** a lightweight micro-framework to build web applications[13]. It will be used to build the REST API and interact with the database.
- **SQLalchemy library:** flask does not offer a database abstraction layer[13], so a supporting library must be installed to interact with the database. SQLAlchemy is an Object relational mapper that does not restrict its user to an RDBMS[26]. However, this project will use postgres.



- **SQL programming language:** it is a database manipulating programming language. It is used to store and manage information in relational databases that enables users to create view, stored procedure and functions in a database[27]. It will be used to save commands, users, raspberries, hardwares, and responses.
- **Postgresql RDBMS:** an open-source RDBMS[15]. It will be installed on the server.
- **pycharm IDE:** an IDE to develop mobile application by JetBrains[28]. This IDE will be used to make the web application.
- **Nginx web server:** an open-source web server[29]. This web server is going to be installed to serve the web application and static files, such as the REST API docs.

• **Raspberry pi Application**

- **Python programming language:** it will be used to program the raspberry pi.
- **SQL programming language:** it will be used in entering the data to the local queue.
- **GPIO library:** a library for controlling any hardware component connected to the GPIO pins[12].
- **SQLite RDBMS:** it is a file-based lightweight RDBMS[30]. It will be used to store data in the local queue.



3.2.2 Hardware Requirements

- **Raspberry Pi**

- Raspberry Pi 3 B+.
- a minimum of 2 GB of RAM.
- a minimum of 10 GB space in SD card.
- a monitor, a keyboard and a mouse, alternatively SSH connection could be established.
- internet connection, either via Wi-Fi or Ethernet cable.
- breadboard, cables, and resistors for circuit.
- RGB LED, solenoid, or any other hardware components satisfying user needs.

- **Server**

- Ubuntu 16.04+ server, we chose digital ocean's. The web server and database server shall be installed here.
- Minimum of 1GB of RAM.
- Minimum of 10GB of available space.

- **Android mobile phone**



3.2.3 Functional Requirements

3.2.3.1 Expert User's Functionalities:

- 3.2.3.1.1. Expert user shall be able to add new hardware to the system.
- 3.2.3.1.2. Expert user shall be able to add new configuration to the system.

3.2.3.2 Android Client's Functionalities:

- 3.2.3.2.1. Android client shall allow user to login or register
- 3.2.3.2.2. Android client shall allow user to add a new raspberry pi to the system
- 3.2.3.2.3. Android client shall allow user to remove a raspberry pi from the system
- 3.2.3.2.4. Android client should get hardware list from webserver.
- 3.2.3.2.5. Android client should get scheduled commands from webserver.
- 3.2.3.2.6. Android client shall be able to submit a new command, might be scheduled, to webserver.
- 3.2.3.2.7. Android client shall be able to delete a scheduled command from webserver.
- 3.2.3.2.8. Android client shall be able to edit a scheduled command from webserver.
- 3.2.3.2.9. Android client shall get responses from webserver automatically.

3.2.3.3 Raspberry pi's Functionalities:

- 3.2.3.3.1. Raspberry pi should get command list each 30 seconds.
- 3.2.3.3.2. Raspberry pi shall be able to update local queue.
- 3.2.3.3.3. Raspberry pi shall execute commands saved in queue.
- 3.2.3.3.4. Raspberry pi shall be able to submit a command response to server.

3.2.3.4 Web application's Functionalities:

- 3.2.3.4.1. Web application should delete executed immediate commands.
- 3.2.3.4.2. Web application should delete read responses.



3.2.4 Non-Functional Requirements

Requirement	Description
Availability	The system shall not be shut down for maintenance for more than 1 minute.
Usability	Except the expert user, all other users of the system shall be able to use the system immediately without much training.
Verifiability	The system shall check the user identity.
Performance and Delay	The raspberry pi shall read user commands each 30 seconds to avoid delay or overhead in the system.
Flexibility	Any hardware component, such as linear solenoid or an infra-red controller, can be added to the system as long as it can be connected to the electric circuit.
Security	Each user can only communicate with assigned raspberry pi. In a similar manner, raspberry pi only reads commands meant for it and not for other ones.
Efficiency	The web server cleans the database and deletes any unneeded rows routinely.

Table 3.1: Non-functional requirements



Table 3.1 shows the non-functional requirements for the system and their description. The most important requirement is flexibility, as it is the core feature differentiating the proposed system from other systems. Next comes security and verifiability. They guarantee that no intruders are going to interrupt the system even if they communicated with the REST API directly without the android app because they won't be authorized -or authenticated- to enter the system. The other requirements are mainly for performance and ease of use.



3.2.5 Structured Diagrams

3.2.5.1 Use Case Diagram

Figure 3.1 shows the use-case diagram of the system. Although the system learning curve is steep, each raspberry pi can be connected to multiple users and vice versa -i.e. many to many relationship-. In other words, in a household of four people, all of them can connect to the same raspberry and control the AC. However, only one of them must be knowledgeable about the basics of electrical engineering and computer science. This person is referred to as the **Expert User**. All other users including the expert user are referred to as **Users**. In this system, there are four main actors:

- **User**: any person using the system. They don't have to have any kind of background information at all. All they need to do is install the android app and click buttons on it.
- **Expert user**: a type of user than configures the raspberry pi. They must manually connect the hardware to the GPIO pins, add it to the database and configure it.
- **Android client**: the android application that the user uses. The android app makes requests and takes responses from the web server either by user order, such as deleting a certain command, or by itself such as getting the raspberry pi responses from the webserver periodically.
- **Raspberry Pi**: the computer controlling the hardwares. It communicates with the web server to get the commands periodically then executes it.

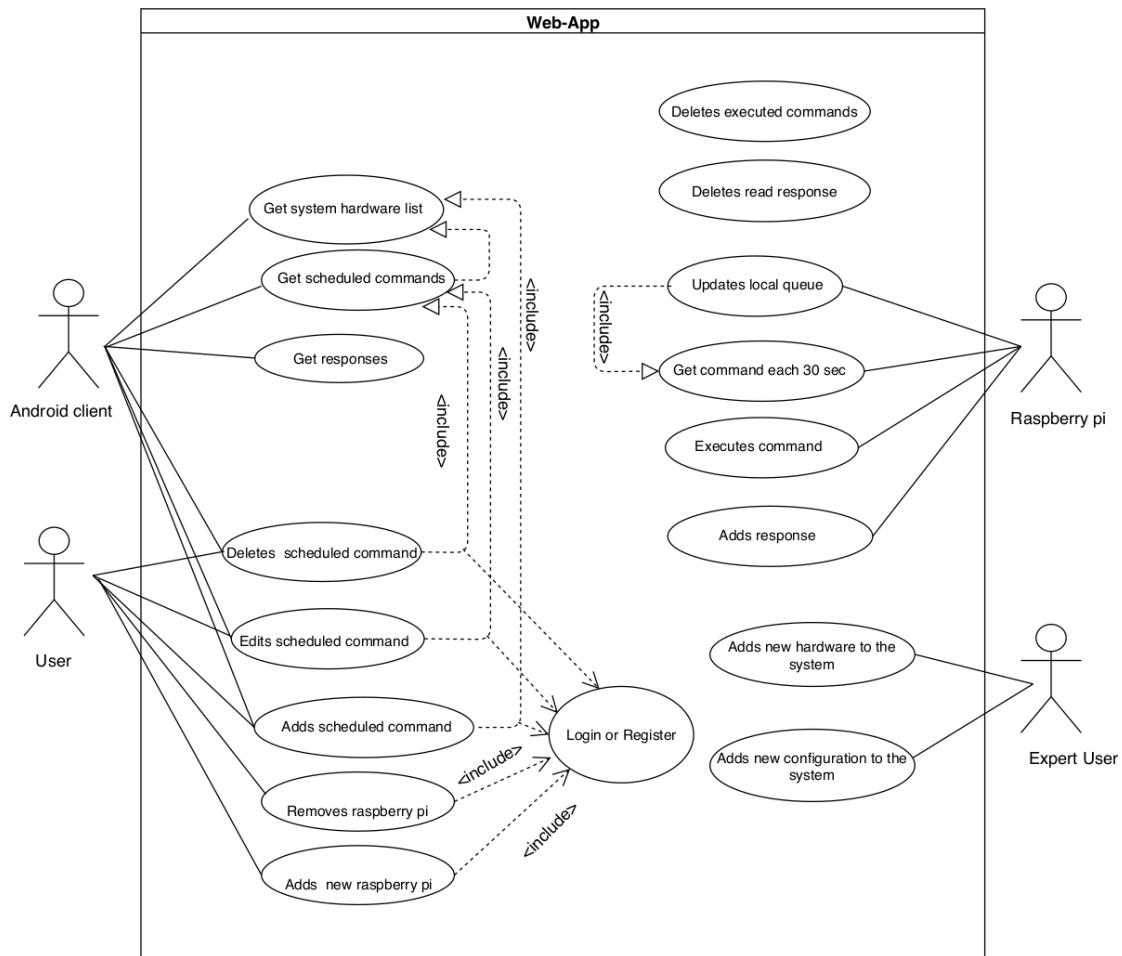


Figure 3.1: Use case diagram



3.2.5.2 Use Case Scenarios & Sequence Diagrams

Expert user adds a new hardware to system

Sequence diagram: *Figure 3.2*

Goal: to add a new hardware device that the user can control to the Raspberry Pi.

Actors: Expert user, Raspberry Pi, Web server.

Precondition: None.

Primary Scenario:

1. Expert user physically connects the new hardware to the Raspberry Pi
2. Expert user inserts new hardware attributes into hardware table in the raspberry local database.
3. Raspberry pi uploads information to the webserver using *POST /hardware*

Variant:

- 1.A. A physical defect might appear in the new hardware, the wires connecting it to the Raspberry Pi, or its ports, all resulting in the new hardware not working correctly.

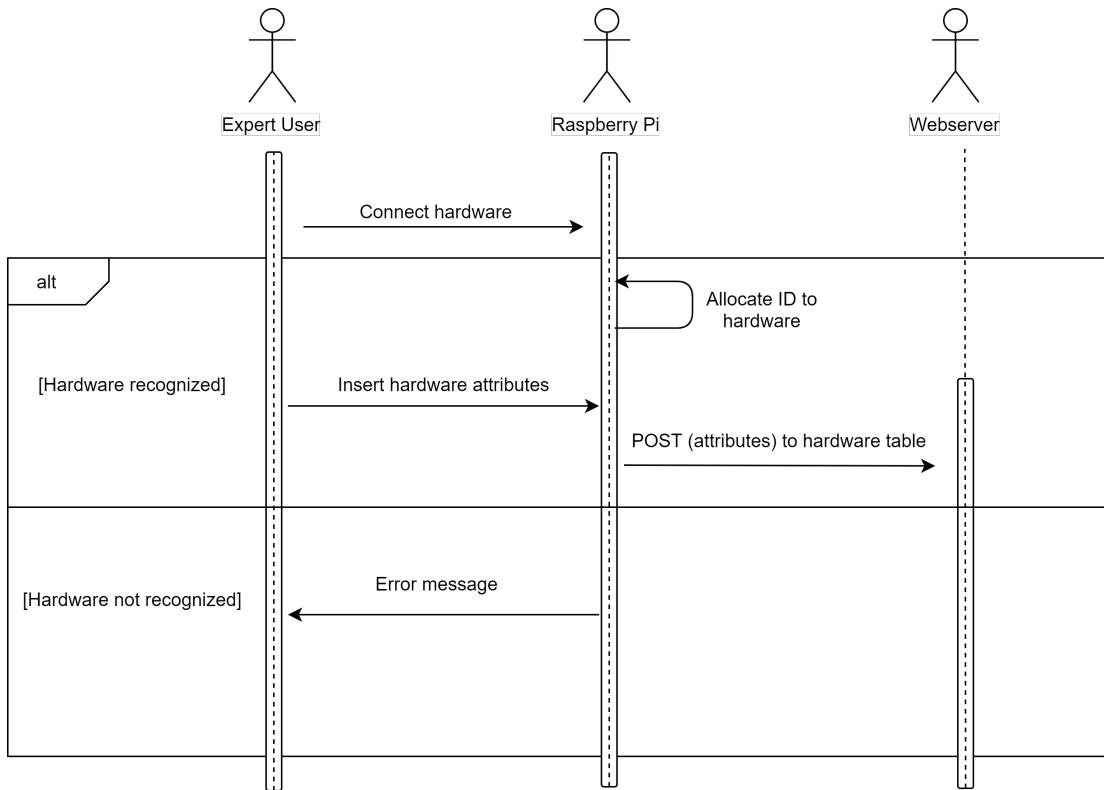


Figure 3.2: sequence diagram: Expert user adds a new hardware to system



Expert user adds a new configuration to system

Sequence diagram: *Figure 3.3*

Goal: to add a new configuration to a new hardware.

Actors: Expert user, Raspberry Pi, Web server.

Precondition: Hardware has been added to the system successfully.

Primary Scenario:

1. Expert user inserts new configuration attributes into configuration table in the raspberry local database.
2. Raspberry pi uploads information to the webserver using *POST /configuration*

Variant:

1.A. A physical defect might appear in the new hardware, the wires connecting it to the Raspberry Pi, or its ports, all resulting in the new hardware not working correctly.

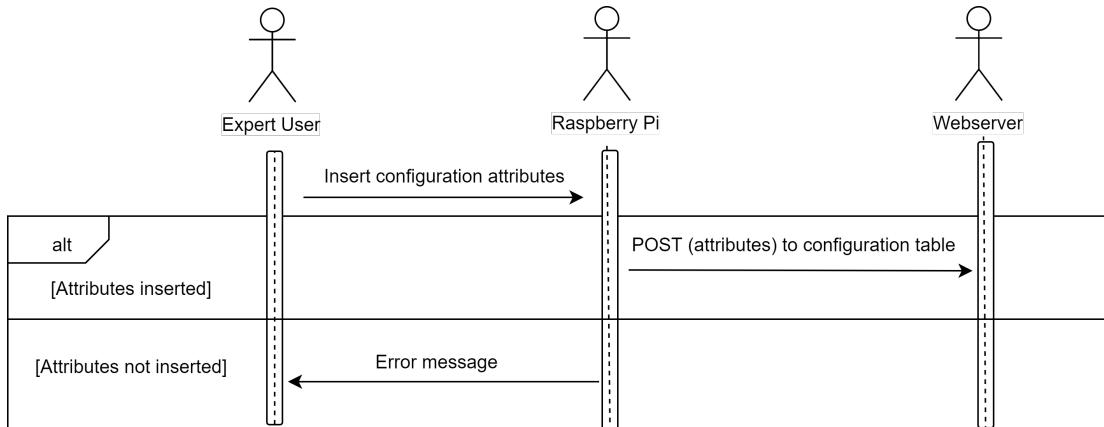


Figure 3.3: sequence diagram: Expert user adds a new configuration to system



User login or register

Sequence diagram: *Figure 3.4*

Goal: to login a user if exists, or make a new user otherwise.

Actors: Android app, Web server.

Precondition: user opens android app.

Primary Scenario:

1. android app prompt user to enter credentials.
2. android POST data to webserver's endpoint `/login`
3. web app checks email and password. If the user already exists and credentials are correct, return token. If the user doesn't exist create user and return token.
4. Android calls web server's endpoint `/raspberry` using the token in the authorization header to get the list of raspberry pi's related to the user
5. Android display this array to user in UI.

Variant:

- *. user might exit android app.
- 2.A. android app might fail to connect to the internet
- 3.A. email might not match password, return error message

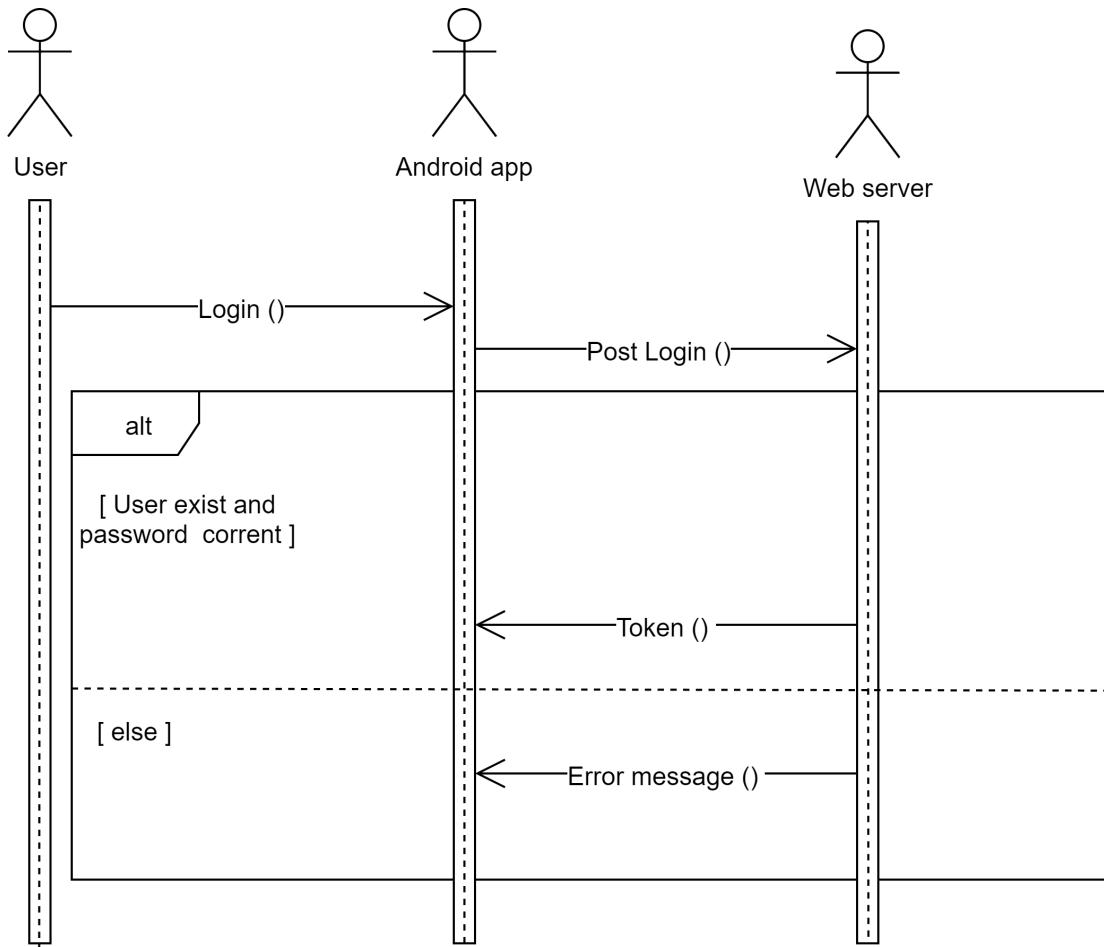


Figure 3.4: sequence diagram: User login or register



User adds new raspberry pi

Sequence diagram: *Figure 3.5*

Goal: to add a raspberry pi to the system

Actors: Android app, Web server.

Precondition: user logged in.

Primary Scenario:

1. user clicks on add new raspberry pi button.
2. android app opens camera for the user to scan the QR code on the raspberry pi.
3. once the code is scanned, the android app POST the raspberry pi id to the server's endpoint **/raspberry**.

Variant:

- *. user might exit android app.
- 2.A. user might close camera or scan incorrect item.
- 3.A. android app might fail to connect to the internet

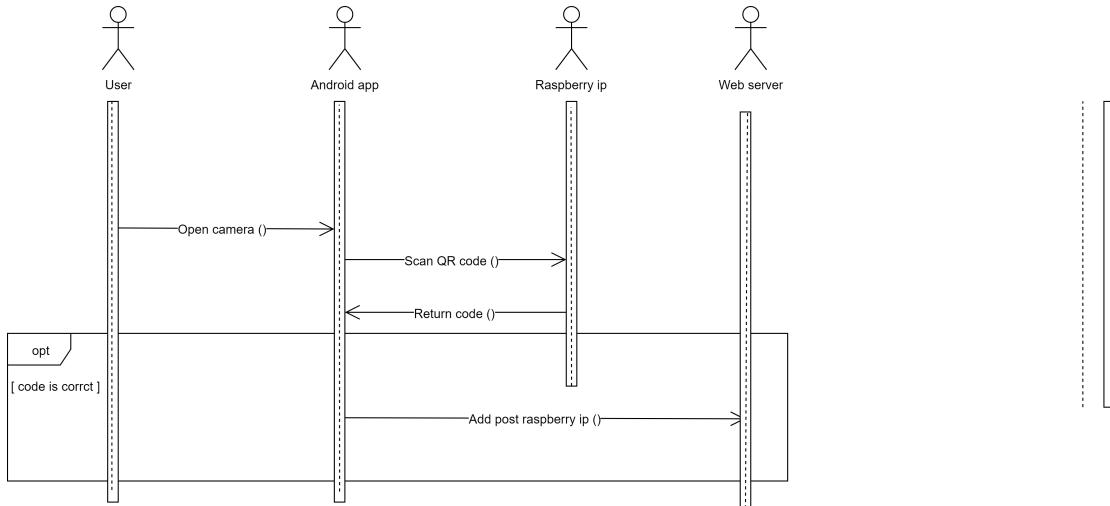


Figure 3.5: sequence diagram: User adds new raspberry pi



User removes raspberry pi

Sequence diagram: *Figure 3.6*

Goal: to remove a raspberry pi from the system.

Actors: Android app, Web server.

Precondition: user logged in.

Primary Scenario:

1. user clicks on delete raspberry pi.
2. Android client requests URL `/raspberry/{id}` with HTTP method *DELETE* where `{id}` is the raspberry pi selected id.
3. webserver receives requests and deletes the raspberry pi from user.

Variant:

- *. user might exit android app.
- 2.A. android app might fail to connect to the internet

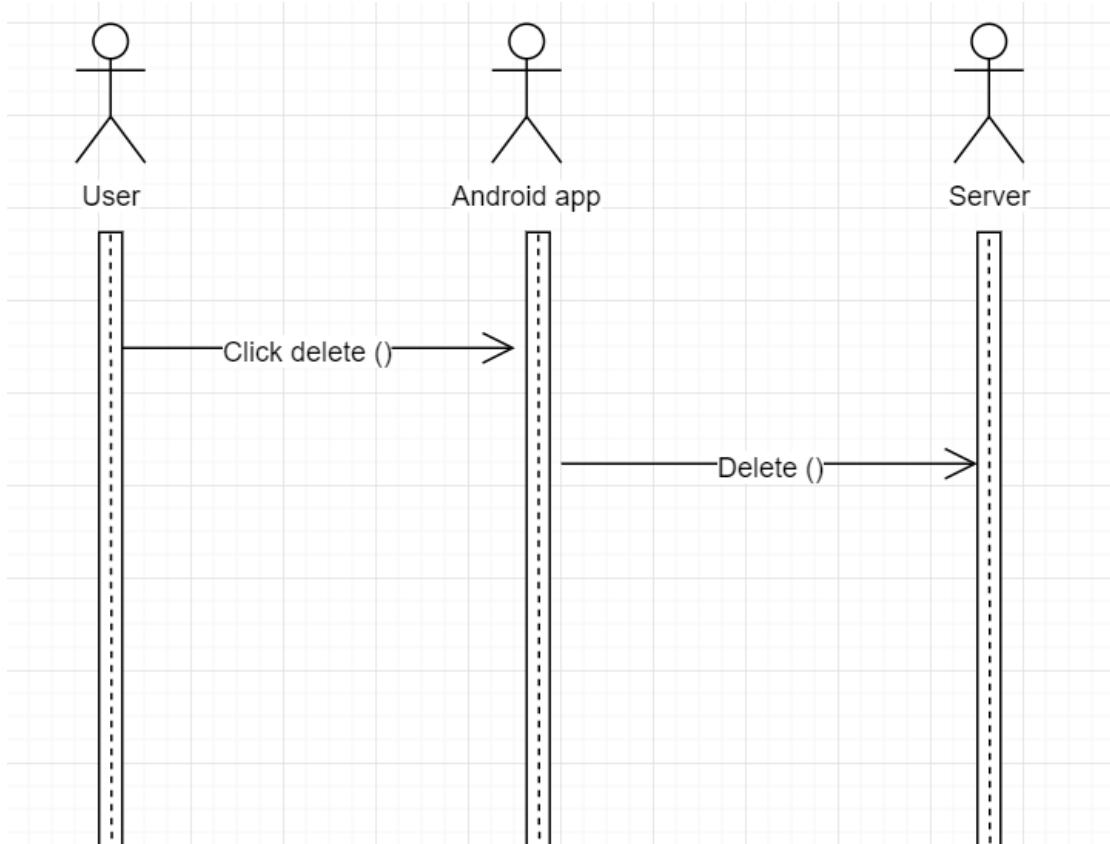


Figure 3.6: sequence diagram: User removes raspberry pi



Android app gets hardware list

Sequence diagram: *Figure 3.7*

Goal: to get all hardware in the system from webserver.

Actors: Android app, Web server.

Precondition: user logged in successfully

Primary Scenario:

1. user clicks on a raspberry pi.
2. android app calls the webserver endpoint `/hardware`
3. webserver fetches data from database using `hardware.index()`
4. webserver responses to request with an array of hardwares in the response's body
5. Android display this array to user in UI.

Variant:

- *. user might exit android app.
- 1.A. android app might fail to connect to the internet

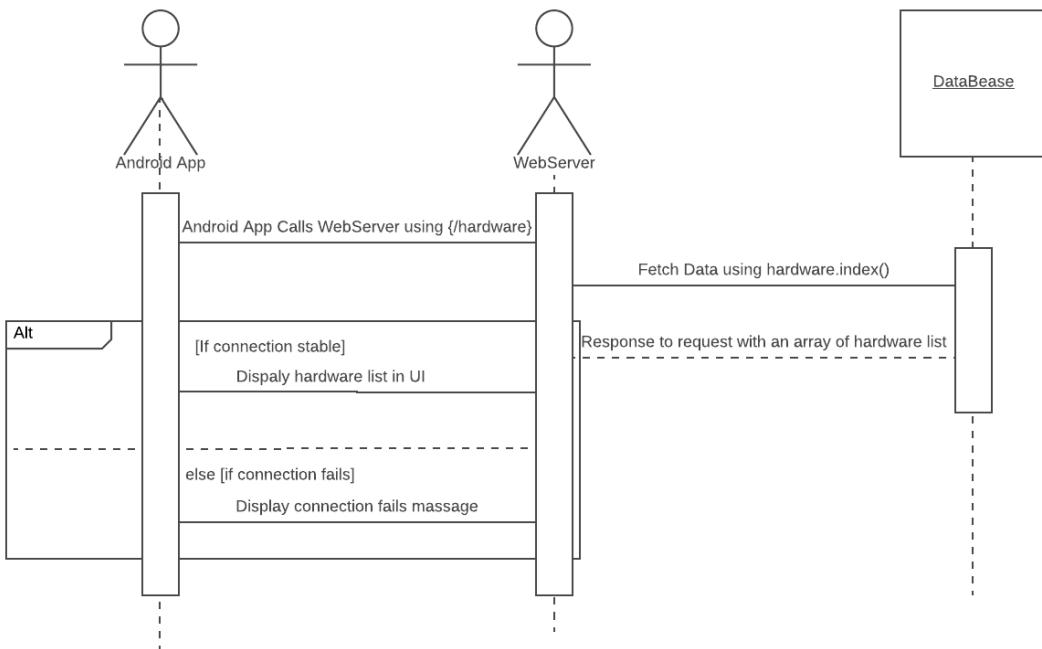


Figure 3.7: sequence diagram: Android app gets hardware list



Android app gets command list

Sequence diagram: *Figure 3.8*

Goal: to get all commands in the system related to selected hardware.

Actors: Android app, Web server.

Precondition: android app gets hardware list

Primary Scenario:

1. user selects hardware from UI.
2. android app calls the webserver endpoint `/hardware/{hardwareId}/command`, where *hardwareId* is the id of the hardware the user selected.
3. webserver fetches data from database using `command.indexByHardwareId({hardwareId})`
4. webserver responds to request with an array of commands in the response's body

Variant:

- *. user might exit android app.
- 2.A. android app might fail to connect to the internet

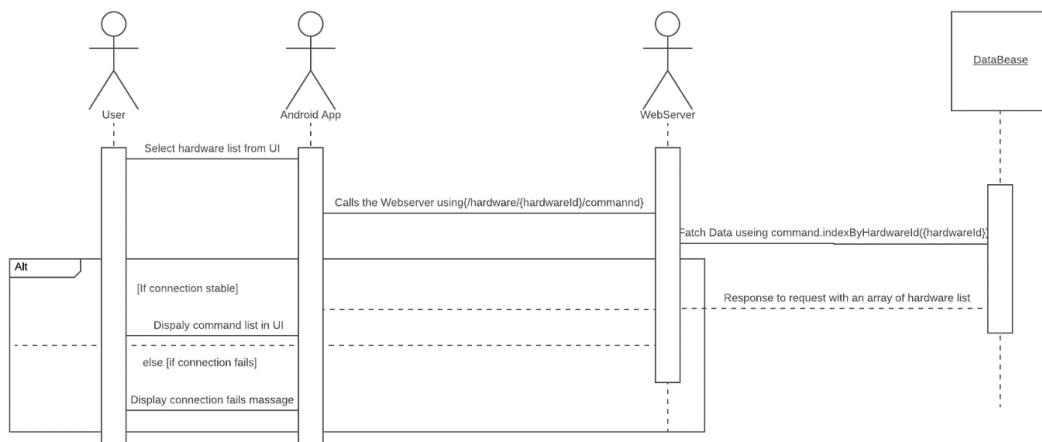


Figure 3.8: sequence diagram: Android app gets command list



Android app deletes a scheduled command

Sequence diagram: *Figure 3.9*

Goal: to delete a scheduled command from webserver related to selected hardware.

Actors: User, Android app, Web server

Precondition: android app gets all scheduled command.

Primary Scenario:

1. User clicks on delete a scheduled command.
2. Android client requests URL `/command/{id}` with HTTP method *DELETE*
where `{id}` is the command selected id.
3. webserver receives requests and deletes the command.

Variant:

- 1.A. user might not have a schedule command.
- 2.A. android app might fail to connect to the internet

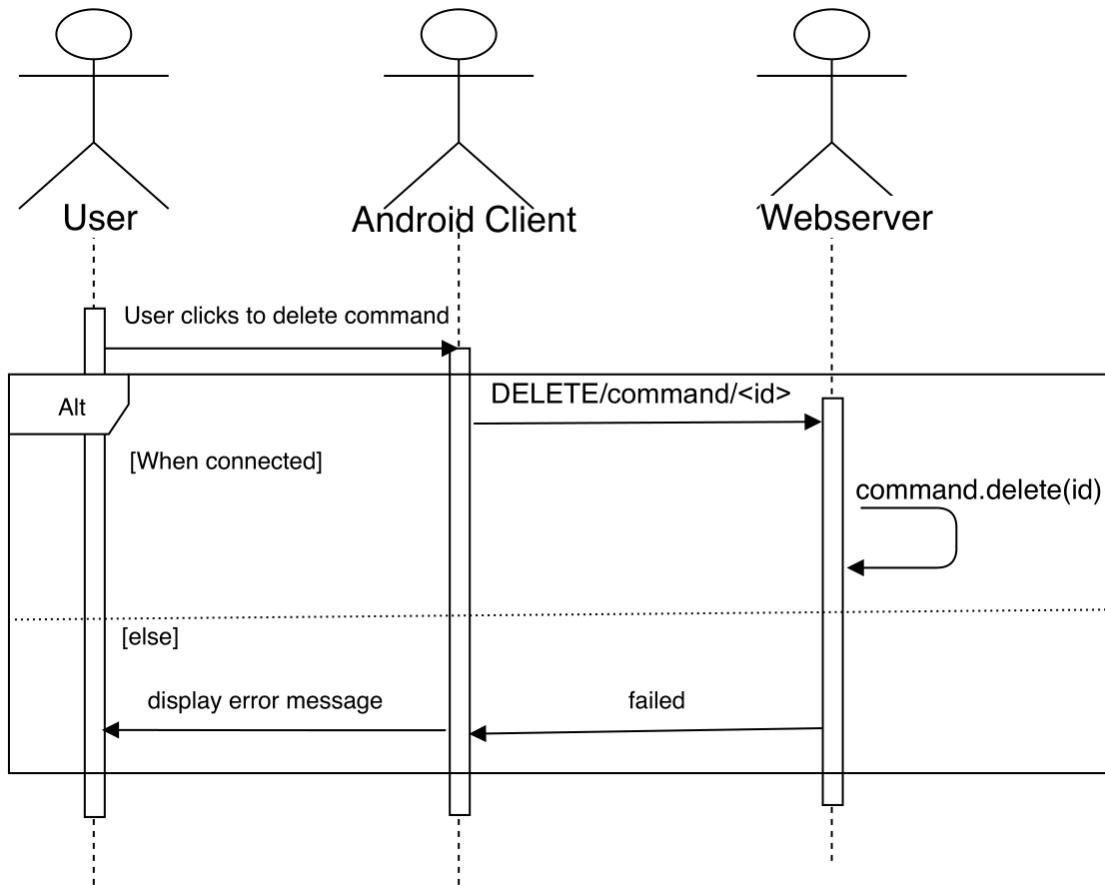


Figure 3.9: sequence diagram: Android app deletes a scheduled command



Android app edits a scheduled command

Sequence diagram: *Figure 3.10*

Goal: to edit a scheduled command from webserver related to selected hardware.

Actors: User, Android app, Web server

Precondition: android app gets all scheduled command.

Primary Scenario:

1. User clicks on editing a scheduled command.
2. Android client requests URL `/command/{id}` with HTTP method `PUT` where `{id}` is the command selected id.
3. webserver receives requests and edits the command.

Variant:

- 1.A. user might not have a schedule command.
- 2.A. android app might fail to connect to the internet

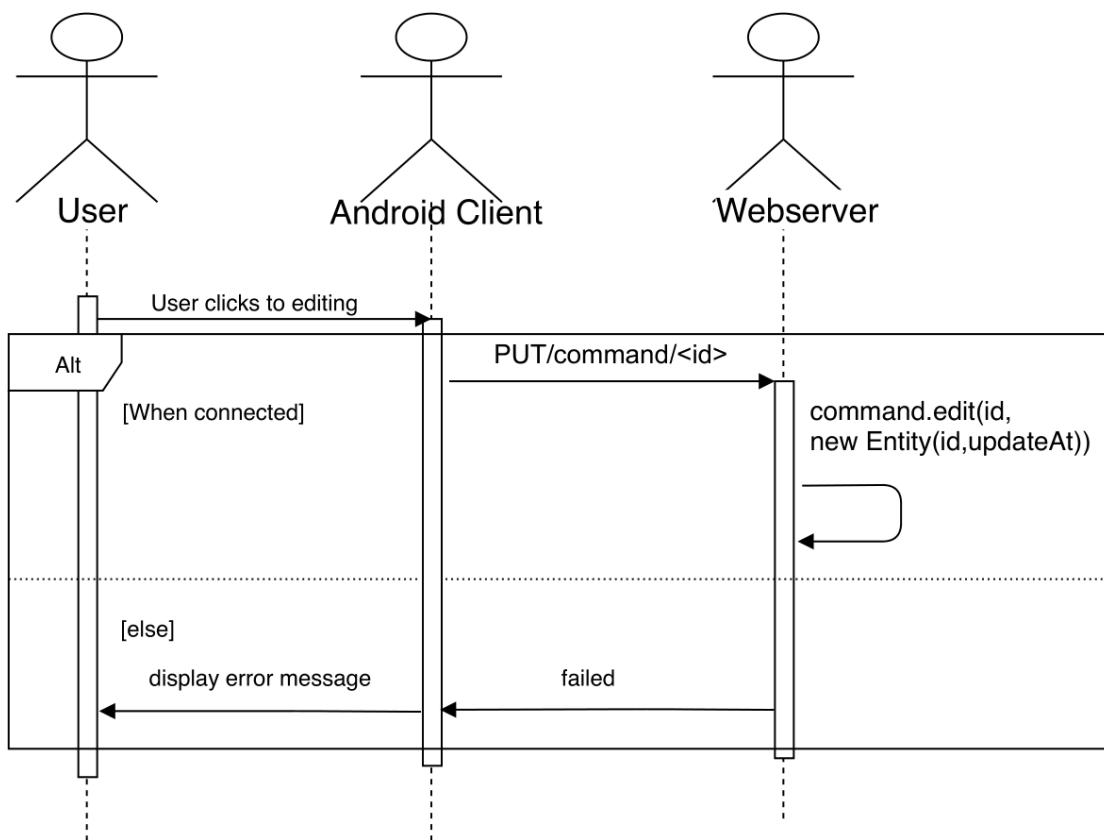


Figure 3.10: sequence diagram: Android app edits a scheduled command



Android app adds a new command

Sequence diagram: *Figure 3.11*

Goal: to add a new command to webserver.

Actors: User, Android app, Web server

Precondition: android app gets all hardwares and user chooses the hardware to add command to.

Primary Scenario:

1. User clicks on adding a new command.
2. activity appears taking the new command attributes, such as schedule or configuration.
3. Android client requests URL `/command` with HTTP method *POST*.
4. webserver receives requests and adds the command.

Variant:

- *. internet might disconnect

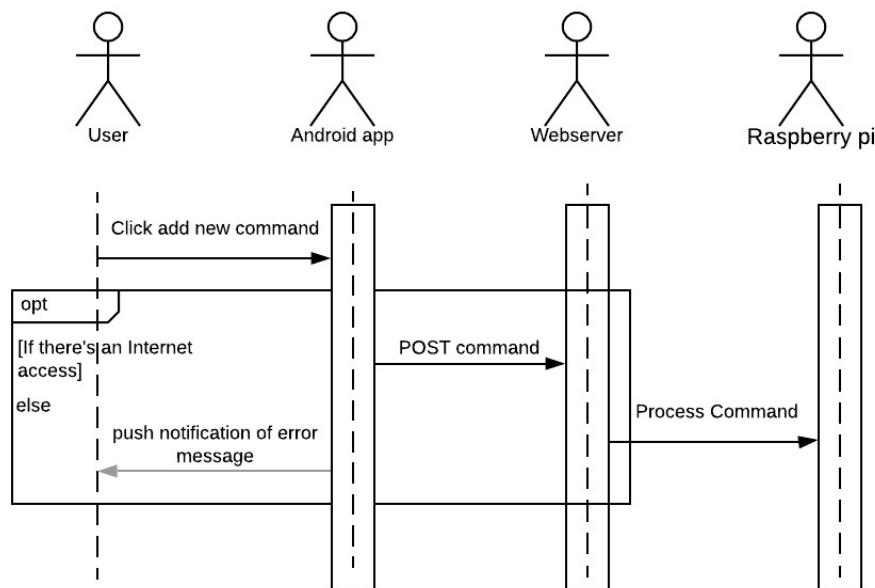


Figure 3.11: sequence diagram: Android app adds a new command



Android app gets responses

Sequence diagram: *Figure 3.12*

Goal: to get the result of the command execution to the user as a notification

Actors: Android app, Web server

Precondition: None

Primary Scenario:

1. Android client requests URL `/response` every 5 or 10 minutes.
2. if responses exist, android app shows it to user as a push notification.

Variant:

- *. internet might disconnect

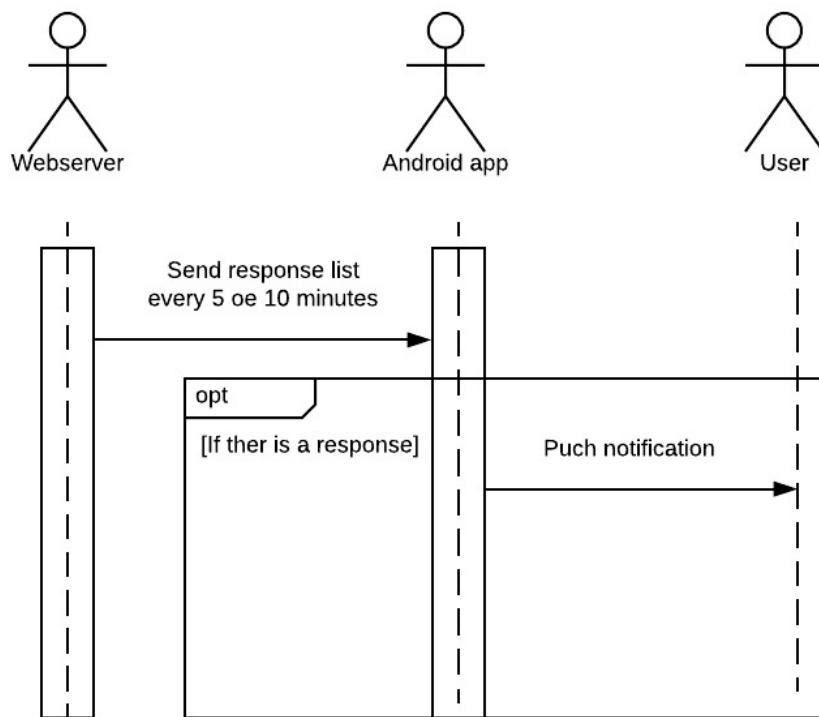


Figure 3.12: sequence diagram: Android app gets responses



Raspberry pi gets command list

Sequence diagram: *Figure 3.13*

Goal: to get all commands in the system.

Actors: Raspberry pi, Web server.

Precondition: None

Primary Scenario:

1. Raspberry pi calls the webserver endpoint `/command` to get all the commands
2. webserver fetches data from database using `command.index()`
3. webserver responds to request with an array of commands in the response's body

Variant:

- *. raspberry pi might fail to connect to the internet

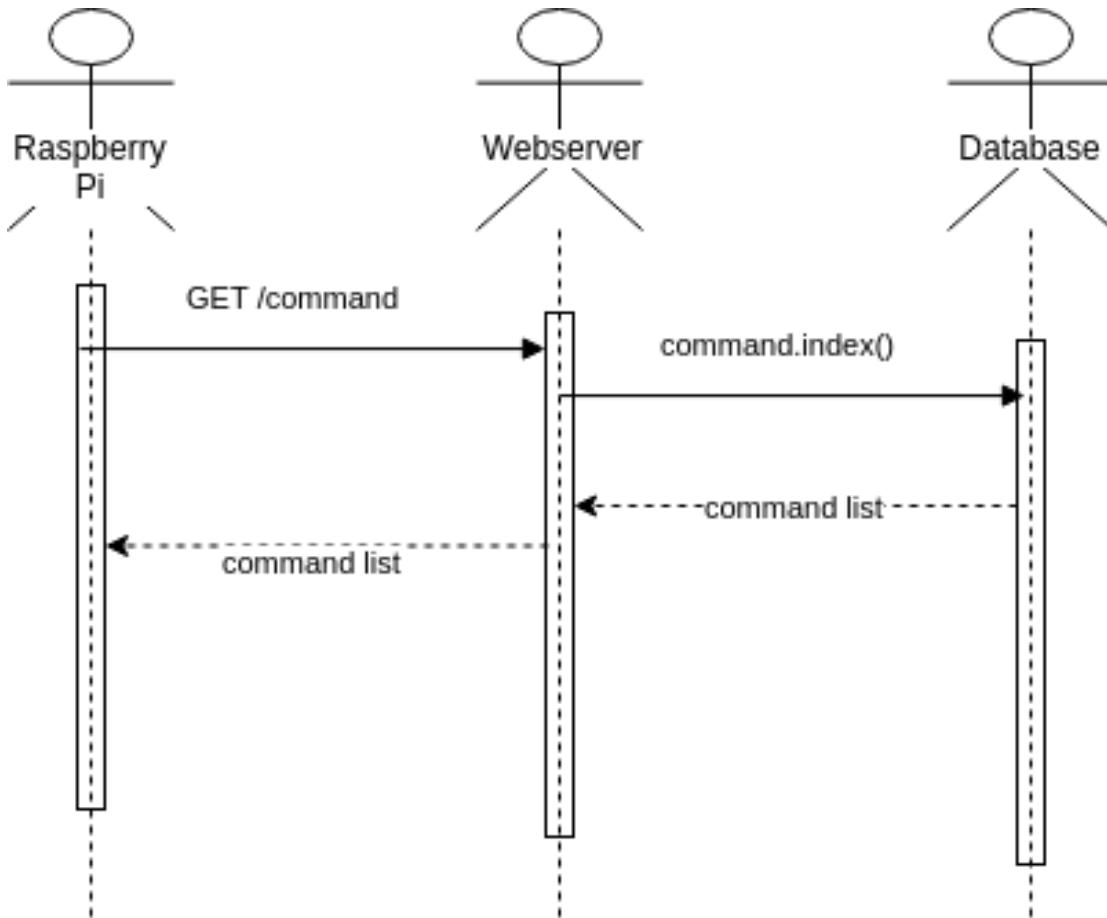


Figure 3.13: sequence diagram: Raspberry pi gets commands from server



Raspberry pi updates local queue

Sequence diagram: *Figure 3.14*

Goal: to update local queue.

Actors: Raspberry pi.

Precondition: raspberry pi got command List from web server.

Primary Scenario:

1. Raspberry pi gets a command from list.
2. If command is immediate,i.e. has no schedule, the execution time for the processed command will be the time the command was created - accessed using `command.getUpdateAt()` -.
3. else -meaning command has a schedule- and today is part of the schedule days, add to queue with execution Time set to today at the schedule's time.
4. order queue by execution Time

Variant:

- 3.A. if today is not part of the days, discard command

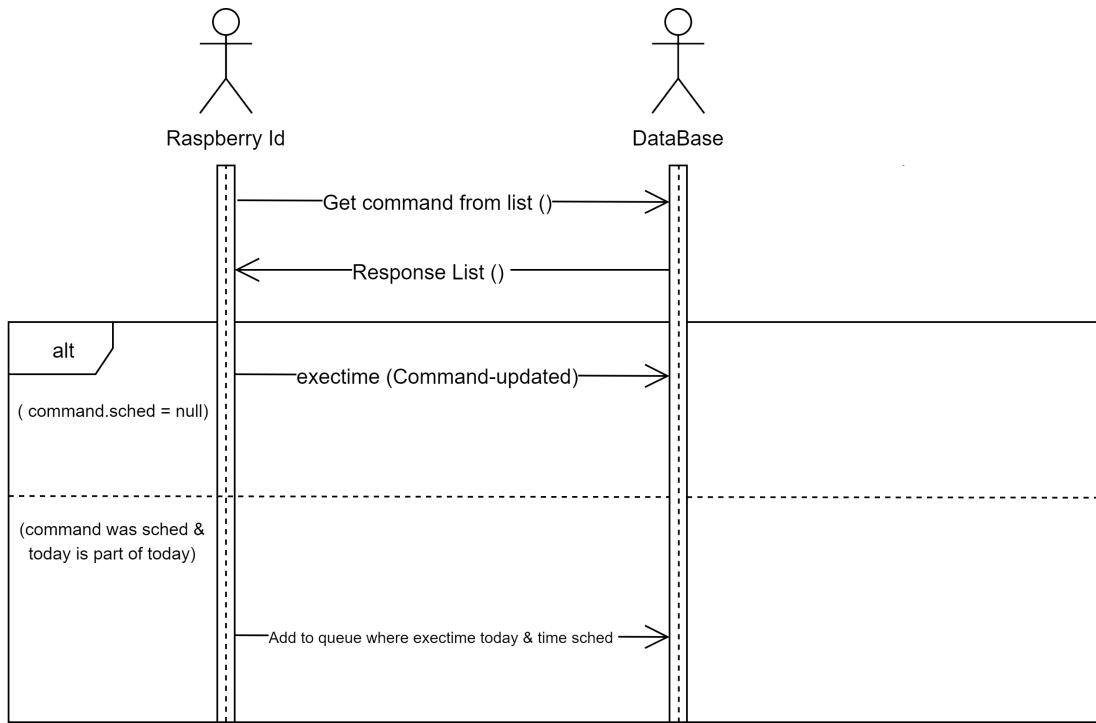


Figure 3.14: sequence diagram: Raspberry pi updates local queue



Raspberry pi executes commands

Sequence diagram: *Figure 3.15*

Goal: to execute commands saved in the local queue on a timely fashion.

Actors: Raspberry Pi.

Precondition: raspberry pi got the commands from webserver, updated local database.

Primary Scenario:

1. raspberry pi fetches first processed command saved in local queue.
2. raspberry pi calls the function `EexecuteCommand()` and pass it the command as a parameter.
3. raspberry pi look for the pin connecting the hardware and apply the desired configuration to it.

Variant:

- 1.A. local queue might be empty, no action is taken.
- 2.A. a hardware error might happen, such as disconnected cable.

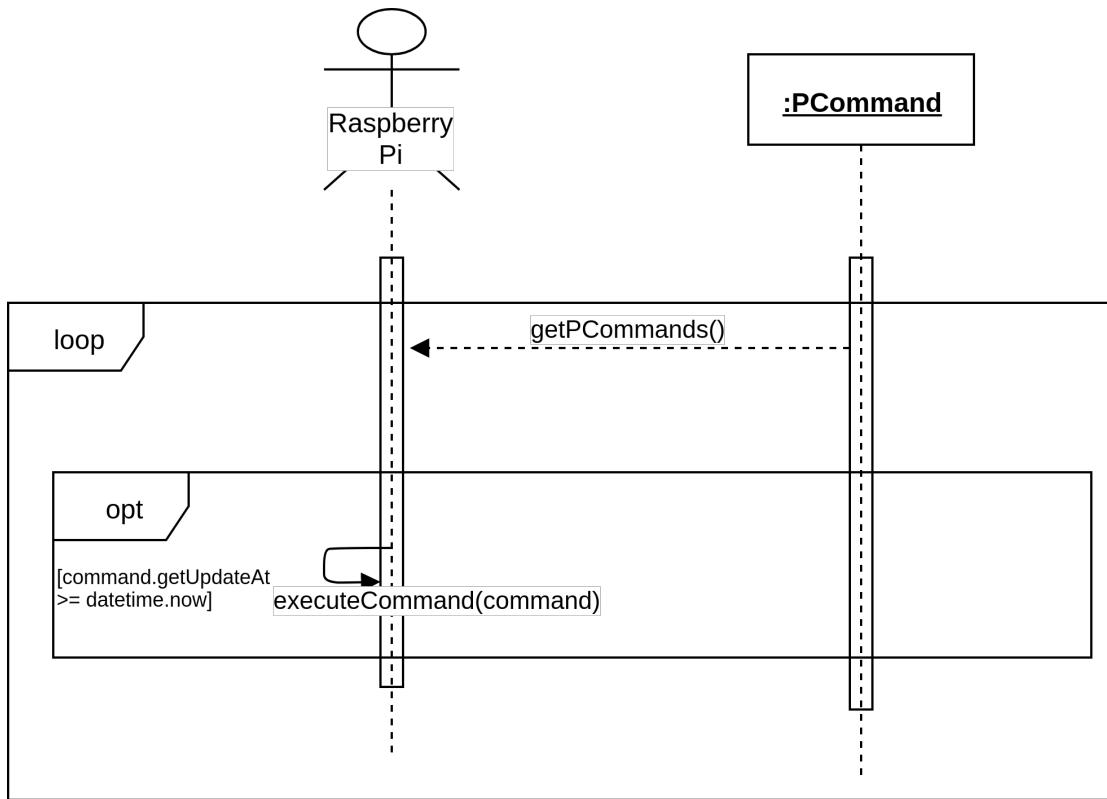


Figure 3.15: sequence diagram: Raspberry pi executes commands



Raspberry pi submits a command response to server

Sequence diagram: *Figure 3.16*

Goal: to submit the result of the command execution to the server by saving it as a response row.

Actors: Raspberry Pi, webserver.

Precondition: raspberry pi executed commands.

Primary Scenario:

1. raspberry pi determines whether the execution was successful.
2. raspberry pi includes a message if any.
3. raspberry pi requests the webserver endpoint `/response` with the method *POST*, needed parameter are added to the request body.
4. webserver receives request, a new row to the database response table is added and ready for the android client to read.

Variant:

- *. internet might disconnect.

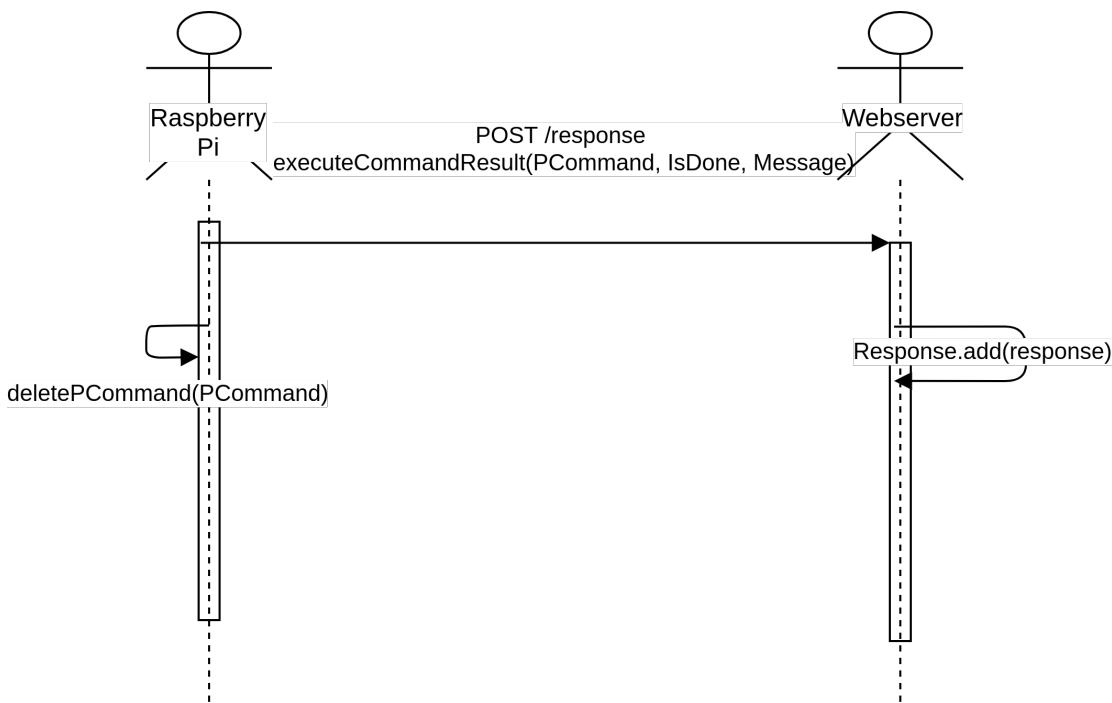


Figure 3.16: sequence diagram: Raspberry pi submits a command response to server



Web application deletes executed immediate commands

Sequence diagram: *Figure 3.17*

Goal: to delete all executed immediate commands.

Actors: Web application, database.

Precondition: None

Primary Scenario:

1. Web application joins between a command table and Response table from database.
2. Web application will select the immediate command from database using `Command.scheduled=null`.
3. Web application checks if response has been read by the user. using `response.isRead()` then, deletes command.

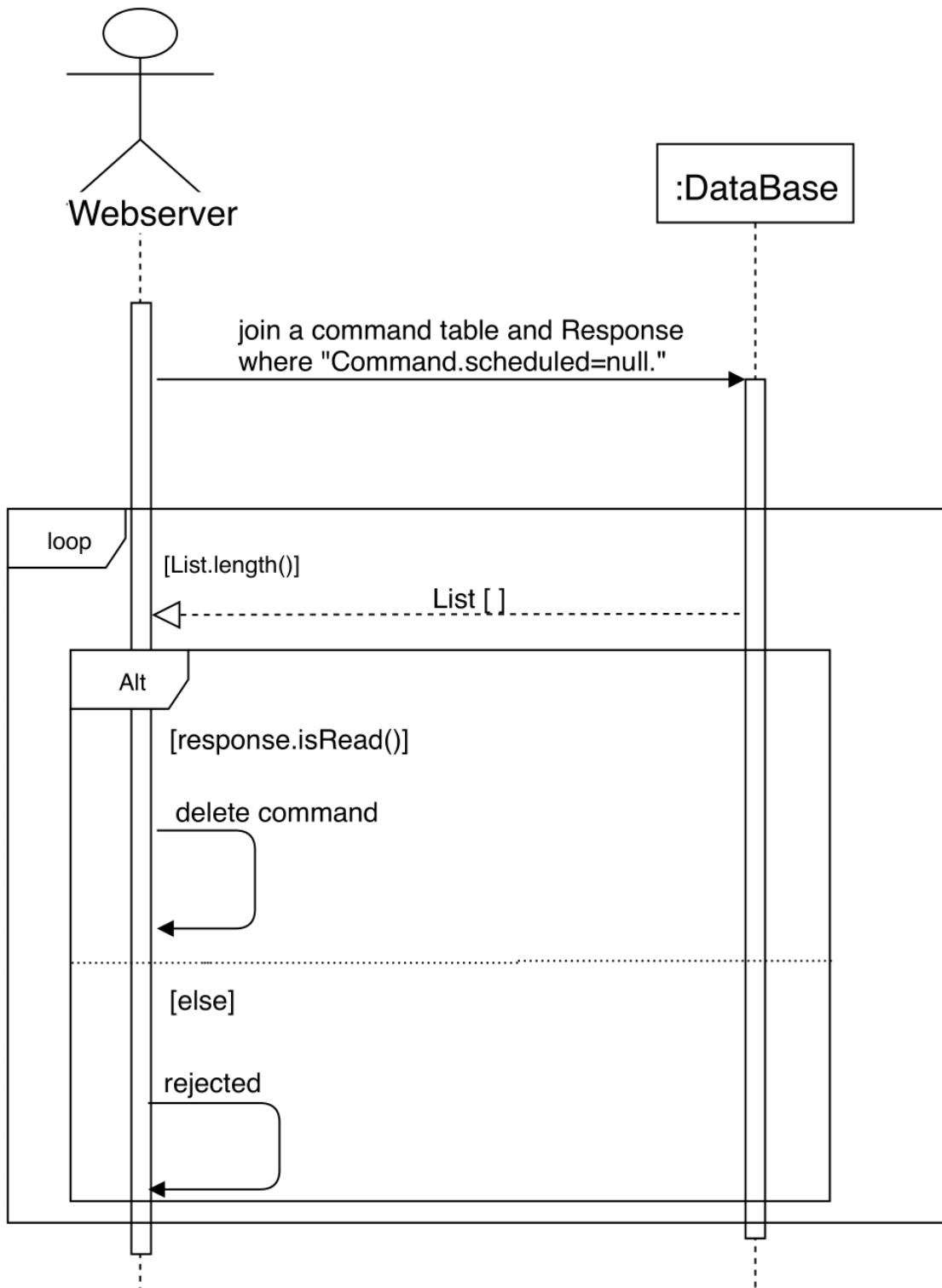


Figure 3.17: sequence diagram: Web application deletes executed immediate commands



Web application deletes read responses

Sequence diagram: *Figure 3.18*

Goal: to delete all read responses.

Actors: Web application, database.

Precondition: None

Primary Scenario:

1. Web application fetches responses from database
2. if response has been read by the user, delete it.

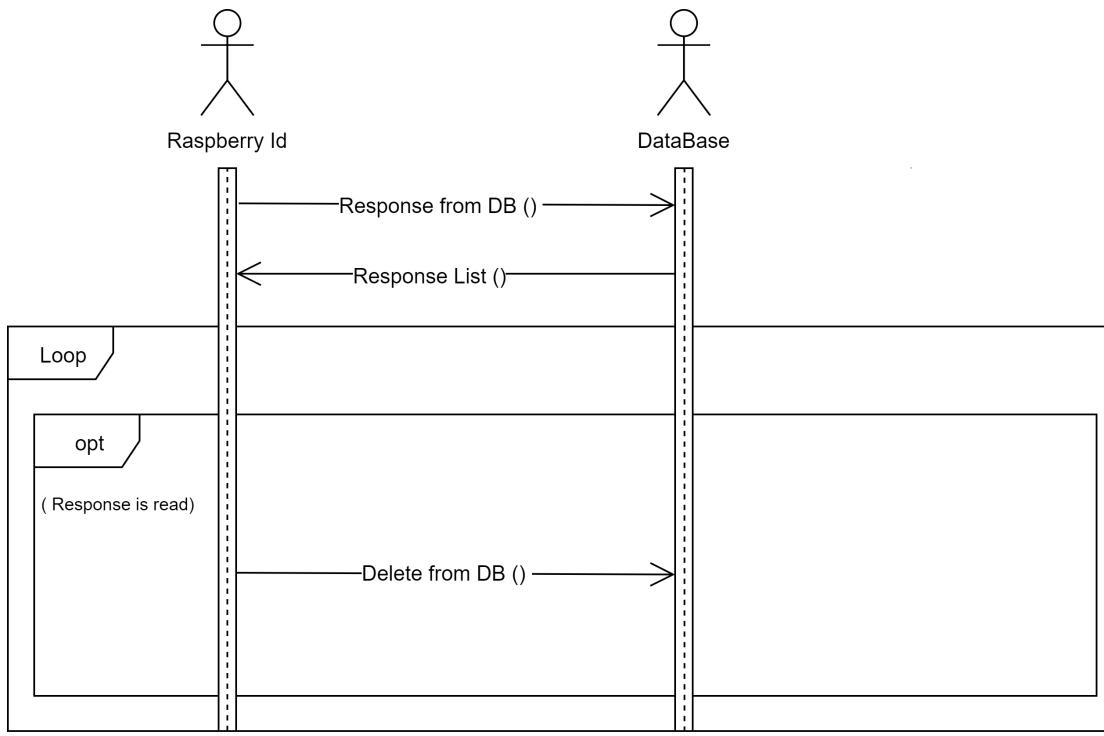


Figure 3.18: sequence diagram: Web application deletes responses



3.2.5.3 Flowchart Diagram

Figure 3.19 shows the flow chart for the android app, and figure 3.20 shows the raspberry pi's flowchart.

- **Raspberry pi:** Every 30 seconds, raspberry first requests command list from the server, the web application then fetches the list from the database and returns it. Raspberry pi updates the local queue with them. It then checks the first command in the queue, if it was due it gets executed and post the response to the server. After execution, it checks the first in queue again.
- **Android app:** when android app is first opened, it requests hardware list from the webserver. After the web app fetches the hardware list from the database, it returns it to the android app, which displays the hardwares to the user. If the user clicks in a hardware, a new activity is opened containing the hardware information and the command list for that hardware. The user then can do 3 things:
 1. Edit a certain command: android request PUT to the command chosen from the server.
 2. Delete a certain command: android request DELETE to the command chosen from the server.
 3. Add a new command: android shows a new activity prompting the user for the command information, then it requests POST command to the server.

Regardless of the choice, the web app then process the request.

- **Android app back work:** each 5 or 10 minutes, android requests the responses from the webserver. When there is a response to be read, it shows it to the user as a push notification.

- **Web app:** when a command has no schedule and it was executed, the web app immediately deletes it from the database. Web app also deletes any read response.

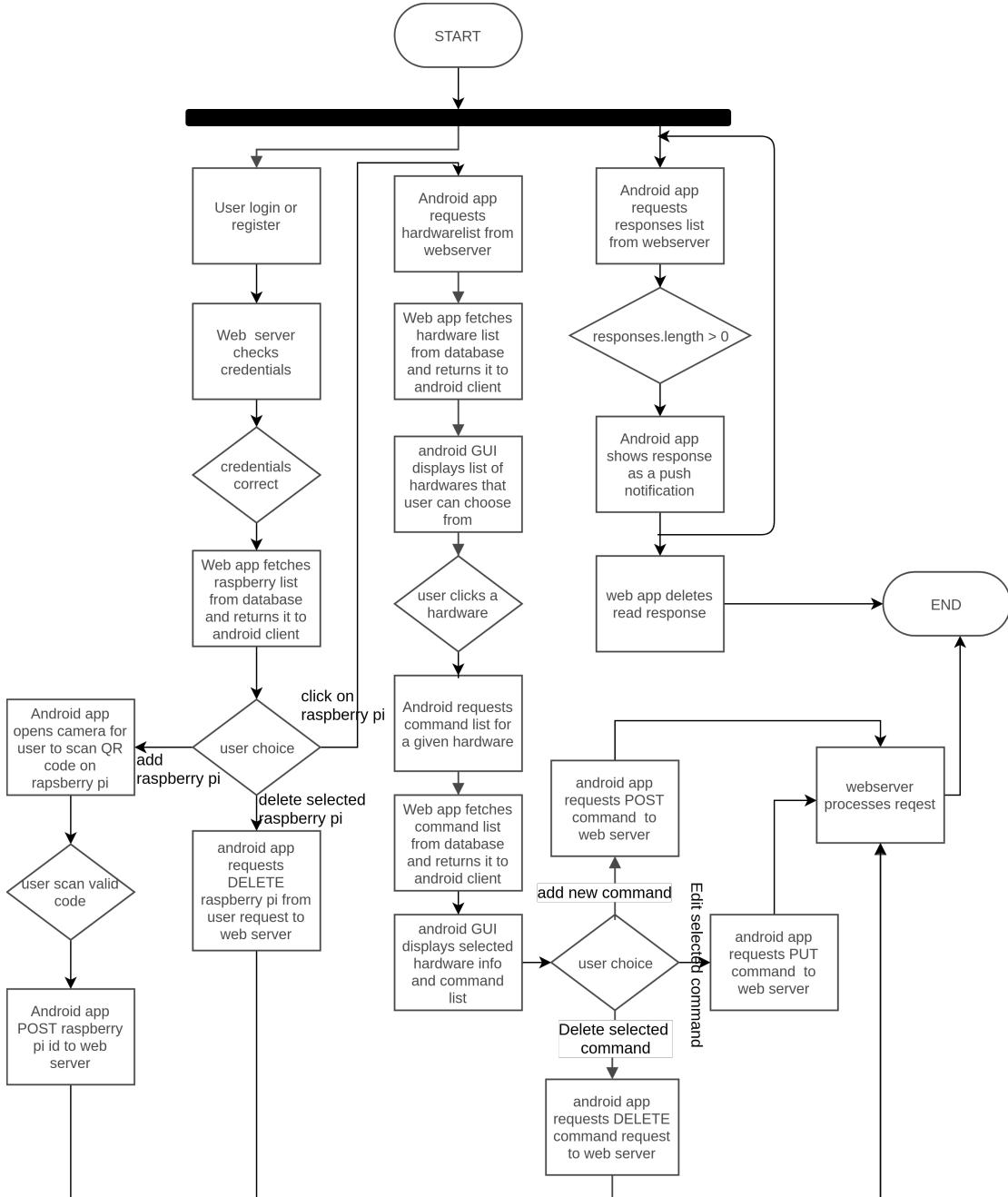


Figure 3.19: Flow chart - Android app

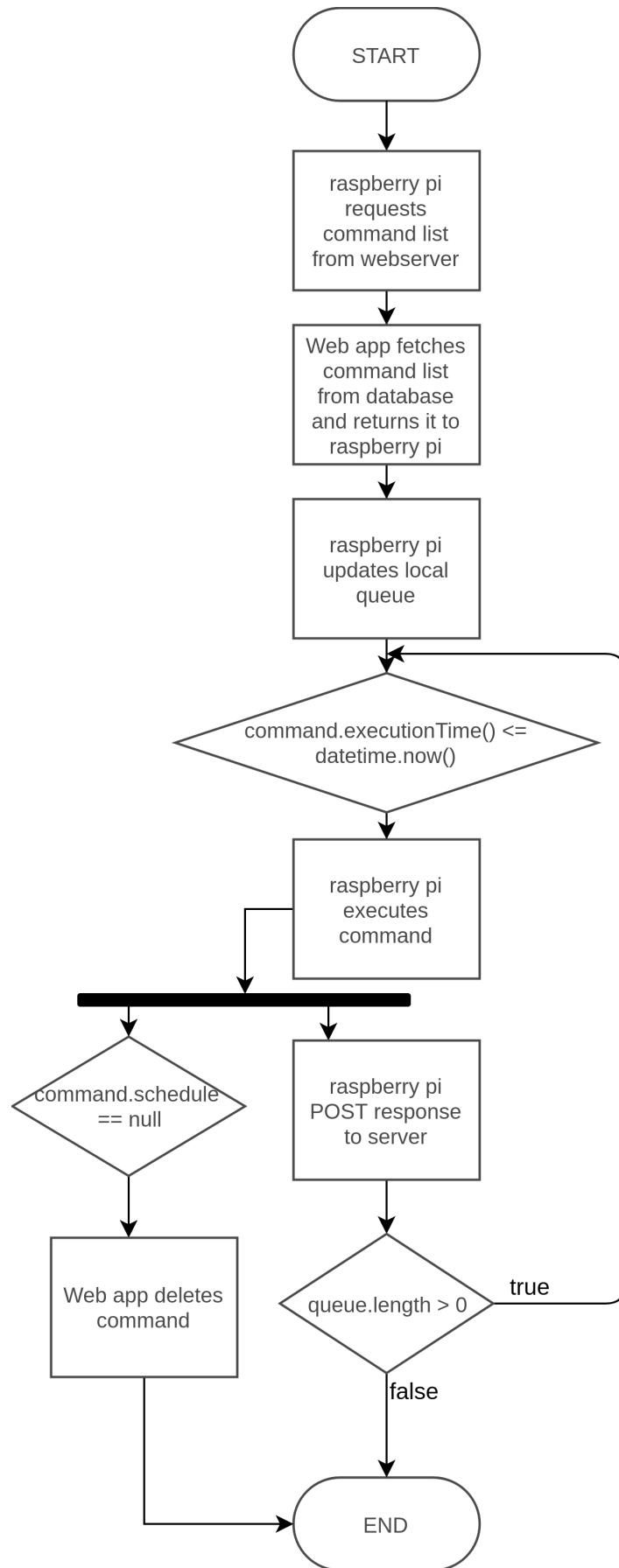


Figure 3.20: Flow chart - Raspberry pi



3.2.5.4 Entity Relationship Diagram

In our system, there are two databases: the *system database* stored in the web server, and *the queue*, a local database for the raspberry pi. To make understanding the databases' easier, we represented it using entity relationship diagram. It is a graphical representation that demonstrates the relationship between concept, people, places, objects or events inside a system. The main components are the entities, relationship and cardinality. Entities are concepts or object that need their data stored. Cardinality defines that relationship in terms of numbers[31].

- **System database:** This database is the main database. It will be stored in the web server and gets accessed by the android client and the raspberry pi. There are 7 main entities:

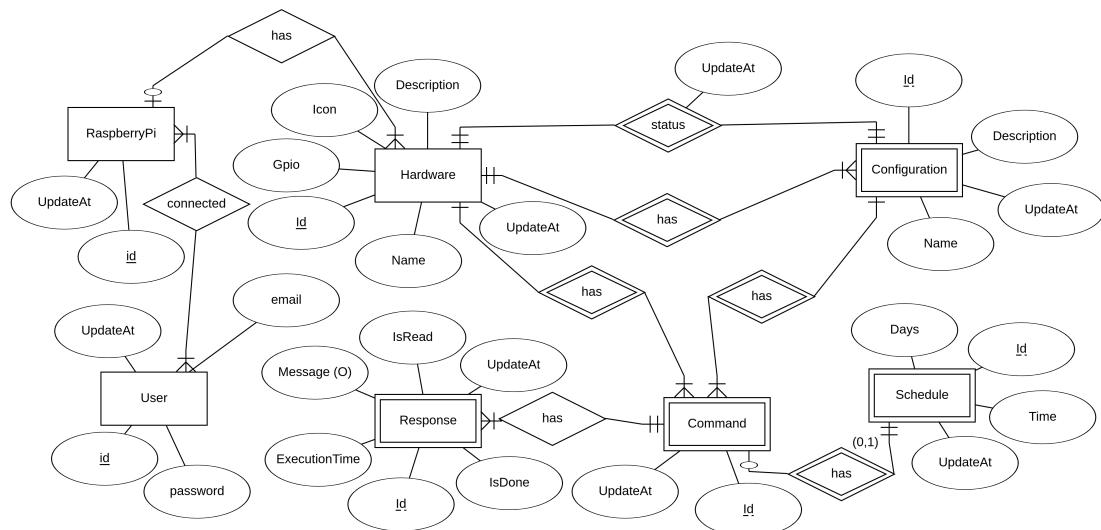
1. **User:** to manage access, a user entity is essential. IT will store the user credentials.
2. **RaspberryPi:** Here, the data for each physical raspberry pi is saved. Each user can have many raspberry pis and each raspberry can belong to multiple people.
3. **Hardware:** it will store information related to the physical components connected to a raspberry pi. Such as LED lights, linear solenoid or an infra-red controller.
4. **Configuration:** hardwares can have different states. For example, a LED light could be on or off. An RGB LED can be ON on a certain color, or off. Configurations save the possible states a hardware can be in.
5. **Command:** users can change raspberry pi's hardwares to be in a certain configuration. These commands are stored here. The users requests could either be instant, or scheduled.
6. **Schedule:** since commands can be scheduled, those data should be saved here. The user can choose the days and time a command fires.



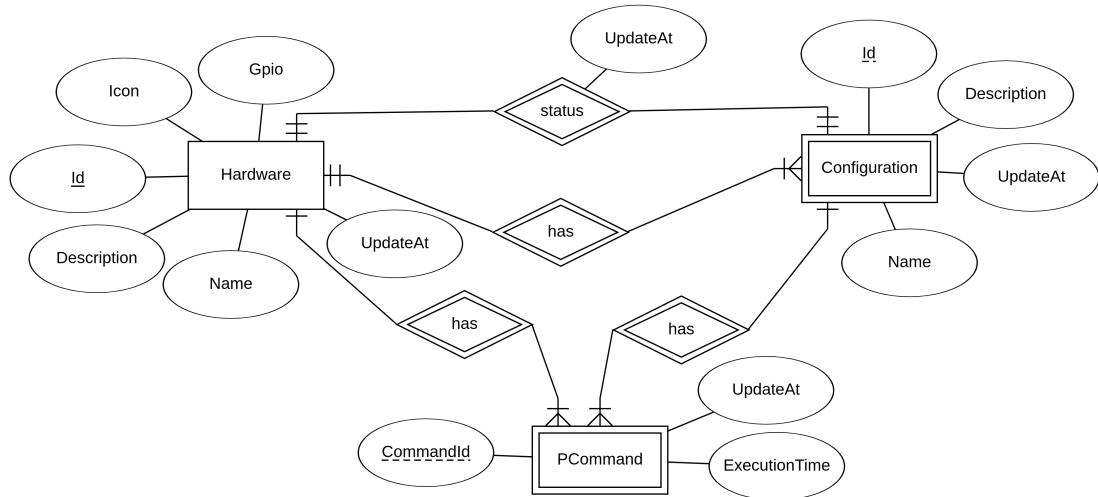
7. Response: when raspberry pi finish executing a command, it issues a response.

- **Local Queue:** This database is stored locally in raspberry pi. After raspberry gets user commands from server, it processes them and orders them based on their execution time.
 1. **Hardware:** similar to the server's hardware list, this entity stores the hardware connected. The system database gets data related to hardware from this entity
 2. **Configuration:** this table stores the possible configuration. When the table is edited, the server database is updated.
 3. **PCommand:** only the commands to be executed are stored here, once a command is executed, it gets deleted from the queue. This entity contains processed commands. i.e each queue stores the exact date and time a command will be executed instead of the schedule information.

Figure ?? shows the Entity-relationship diagram.



(a) System database

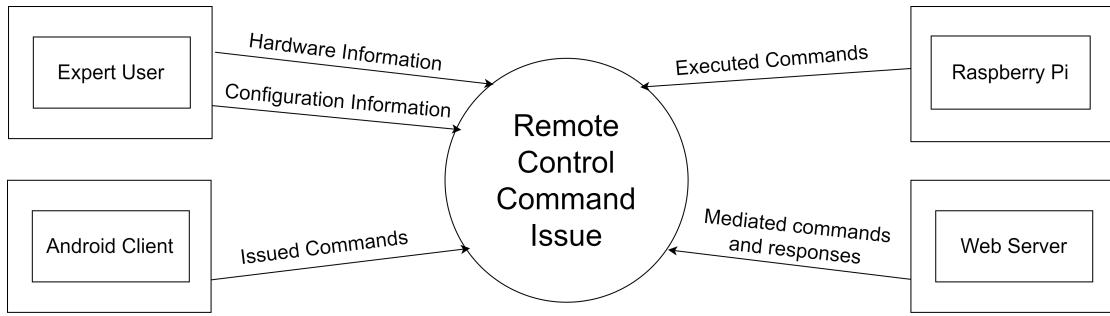


(b) Local queue

Figure 3.21: Entity-relationship diagrams



3.2.5.5 Dataflow Diagram



Level 0 DFD

Figure 3.22: Dataflow diagram - Level 0

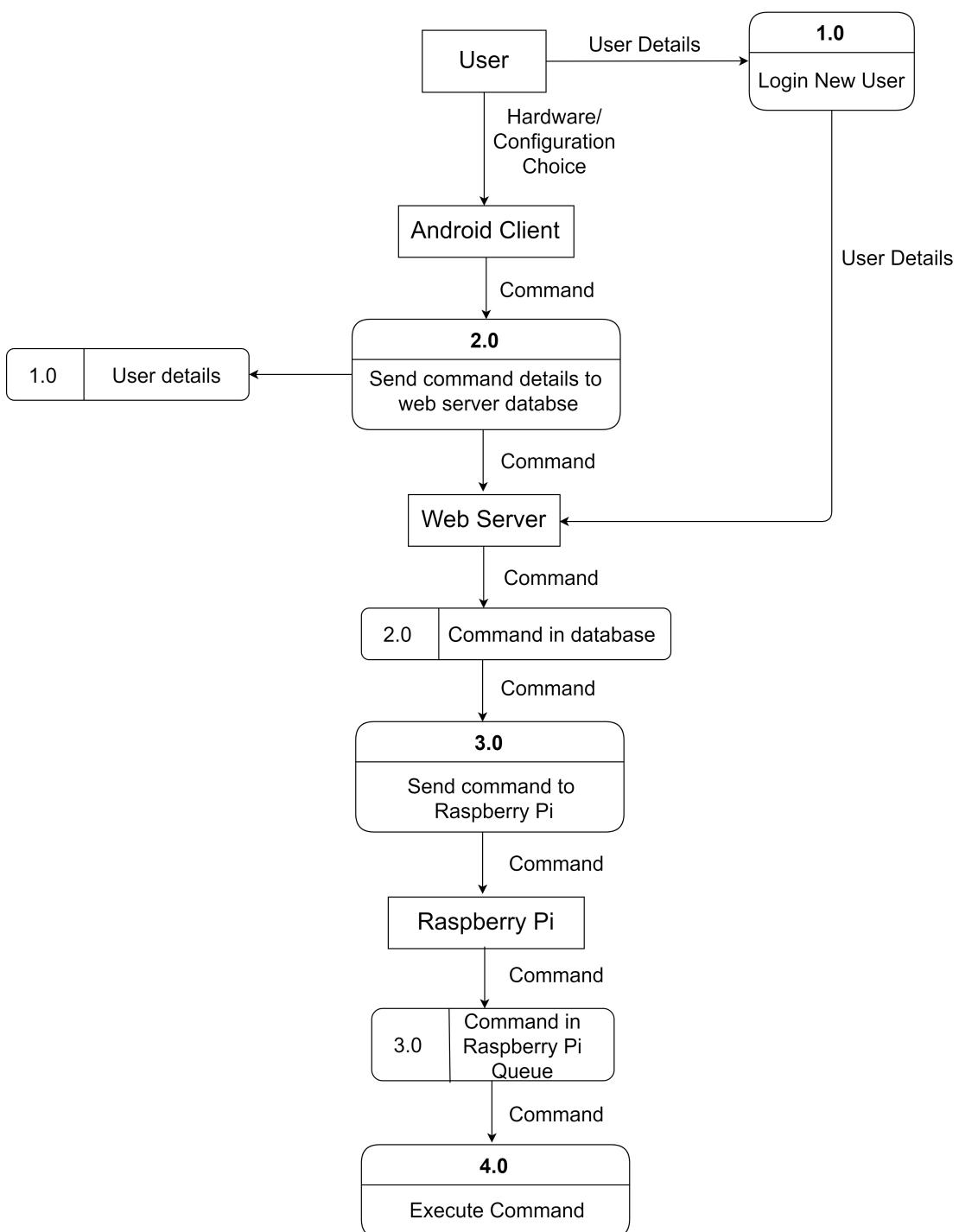


Figure 3.23: Dataflow diagram - Level 1

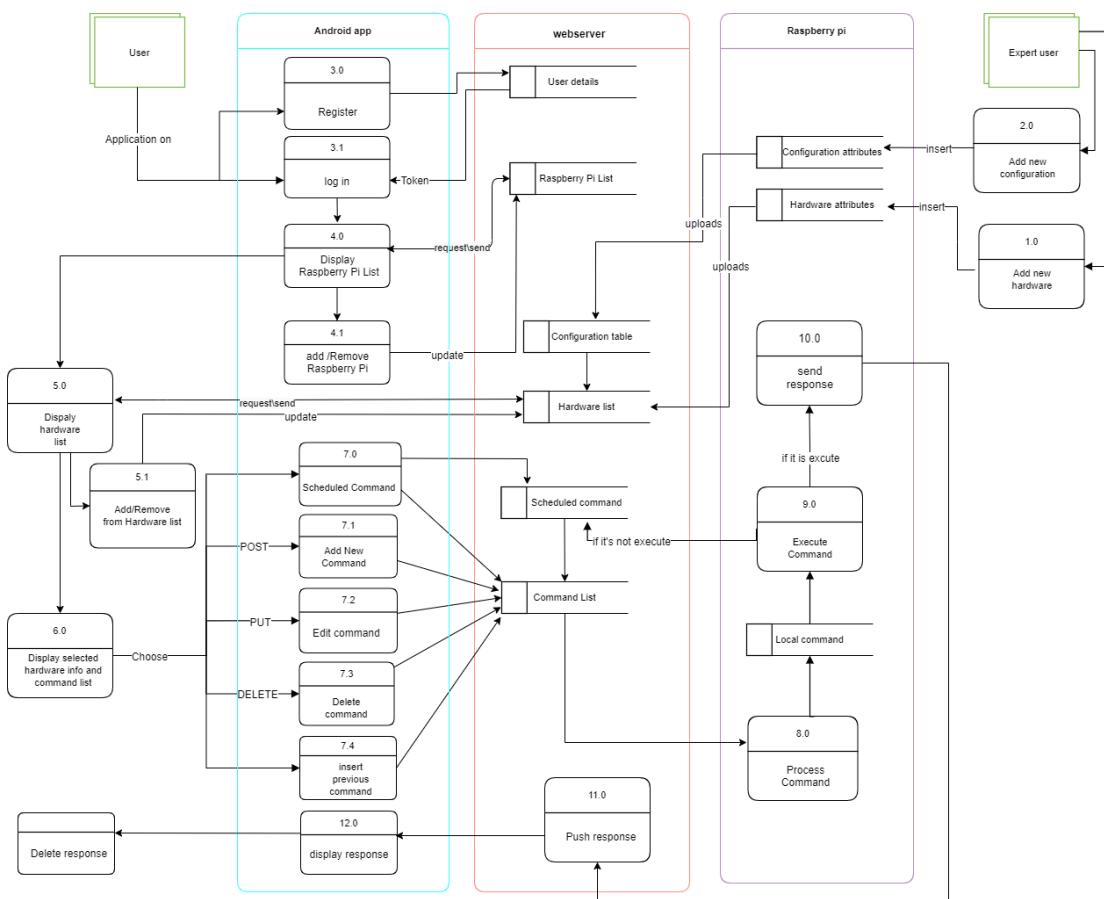


Figure 3.24: Dataflow diagram - Level 2



3.2.6 Object-Oriented Diagrams

3.2.6.1 Class Diagram

Figure 3.25 shows the class diagram for the web application, and *figure 3.26* shows the class diagram for raspberry pi. The classes are essentially wrappers for the databases tables, except for the class **RaspberryPi**, where the functions for controlling the hardwares are.

The classes which represent database's tables inherit from a **BaseEntity** generic class. This generic class has the entity's id and **updateAt** property, which determines when the entity was created/last updated. This generic class is important as it has the methods needed to communicate with the web server. An example is `hardware.edit(1)` , which corresponds to the REST API **PUT /hardware/1** .

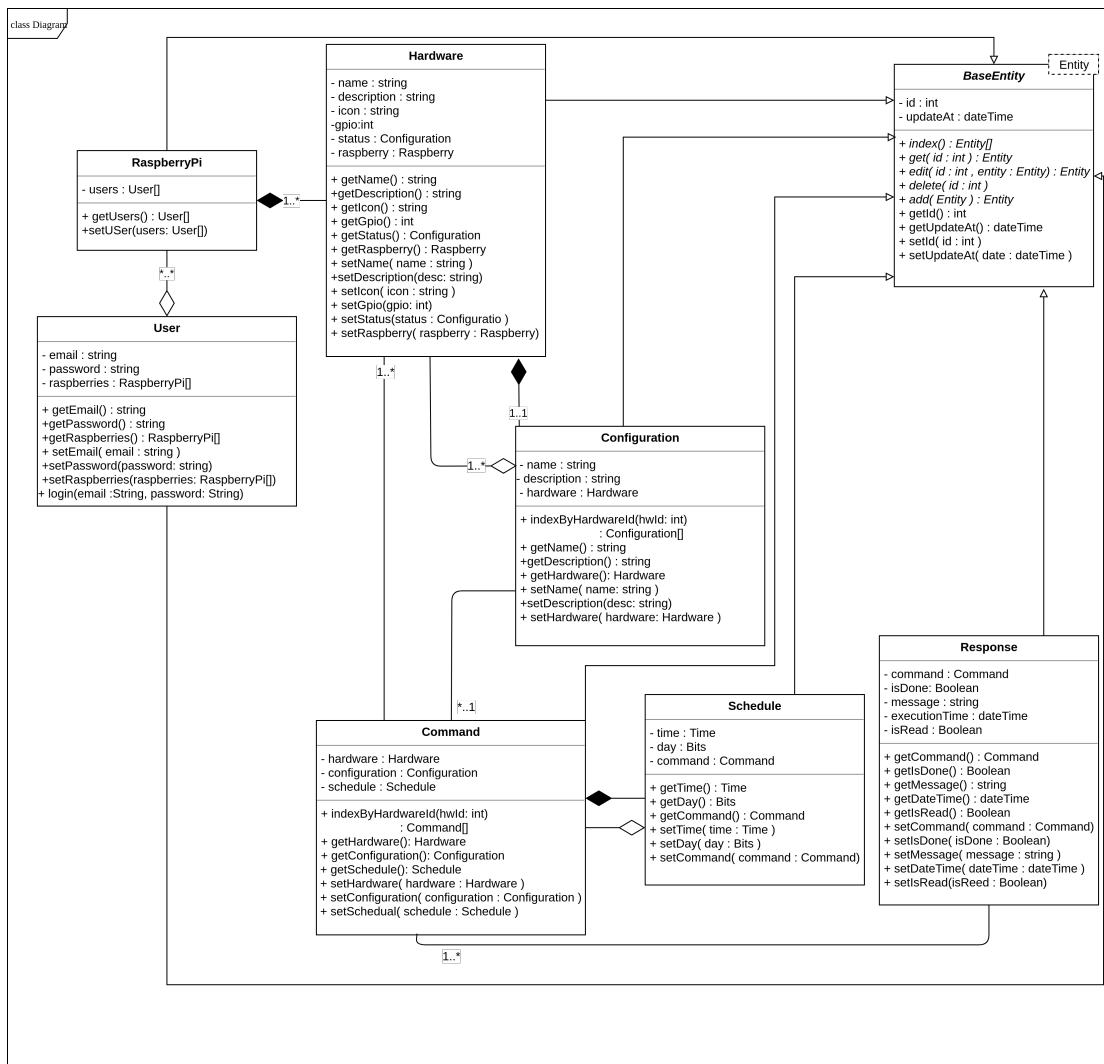


Figure 3.25: Class diagram for the web application

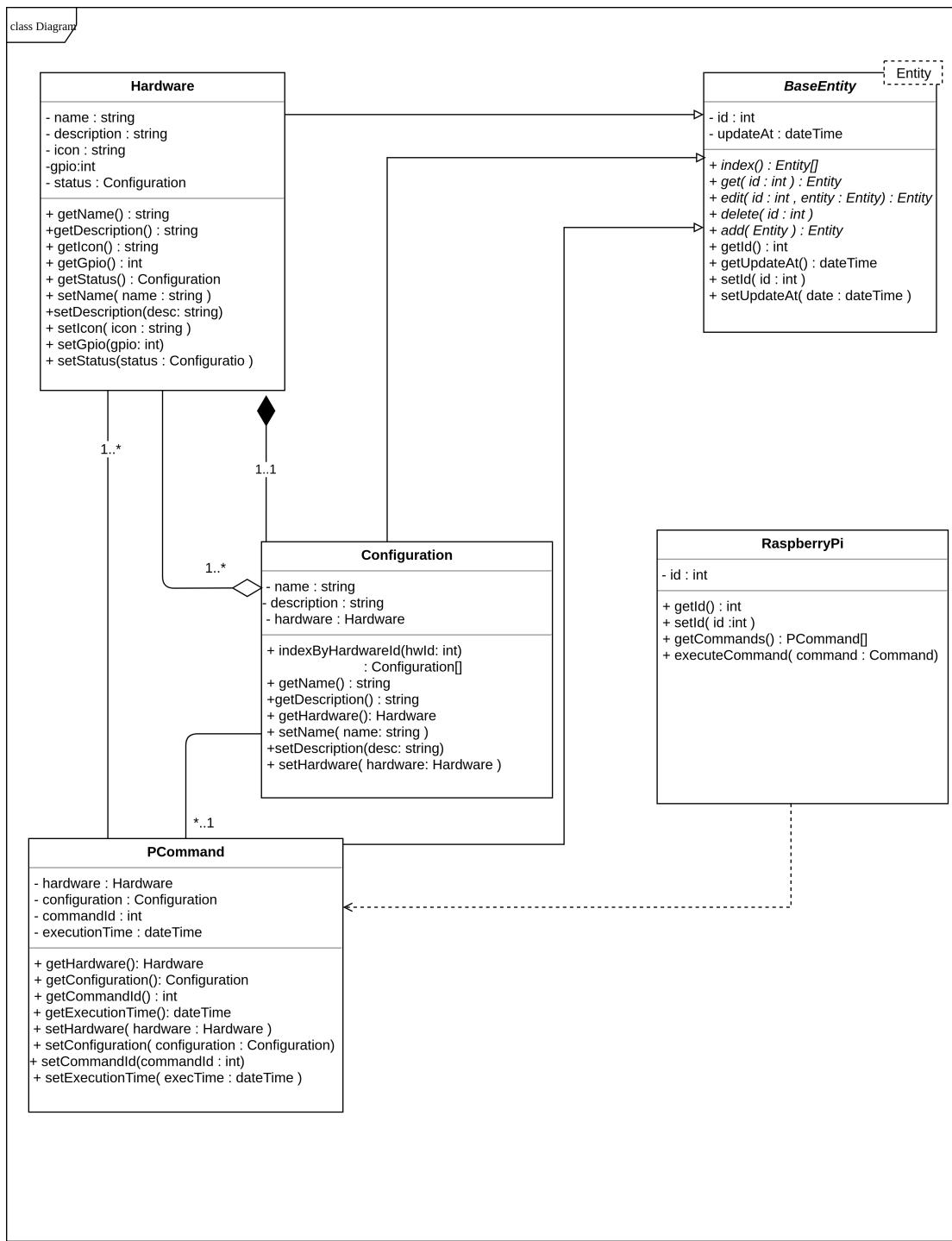


Figure 3.26: Class diagram for the raspberry pi



3.2.6.2 UML representation of the REST API Diagram

Correct calls to the web application via the REST API is the building block of our project. Thus, talking about the structure is essential. The API has 5 entities representing the database's tables. For each entity, client can use 2 methods with the entity url -e.g. `/hardware` -:

- **GET**: this method corresponds to the SQL's `SELECT * from ...;`.
- **POST**: a body of type JSON is required. It holds the object attributes.

This method corresponds to the SQL's `INSERT INTO`.

Also, client can use 3 methods with the entity url + id -e.g. `/hardware/6` -:

- **GET**: this method corresponds to the SQL's `SELECT * from ... WHERE id = ...;`.
- **PUT**: a body of type JSON is required. It holds the object attributes. This method corresponds to the SQL's `UPDATE ... WHERE id = ..;`.
- **DELETE**: this method corresponds to the SQL's `DELETE FROM ... WHERE id = ..;`.

Figure 3.27 shows the API's hierarchy and figure 3.28 shows the models. For full documentation see Appendix B

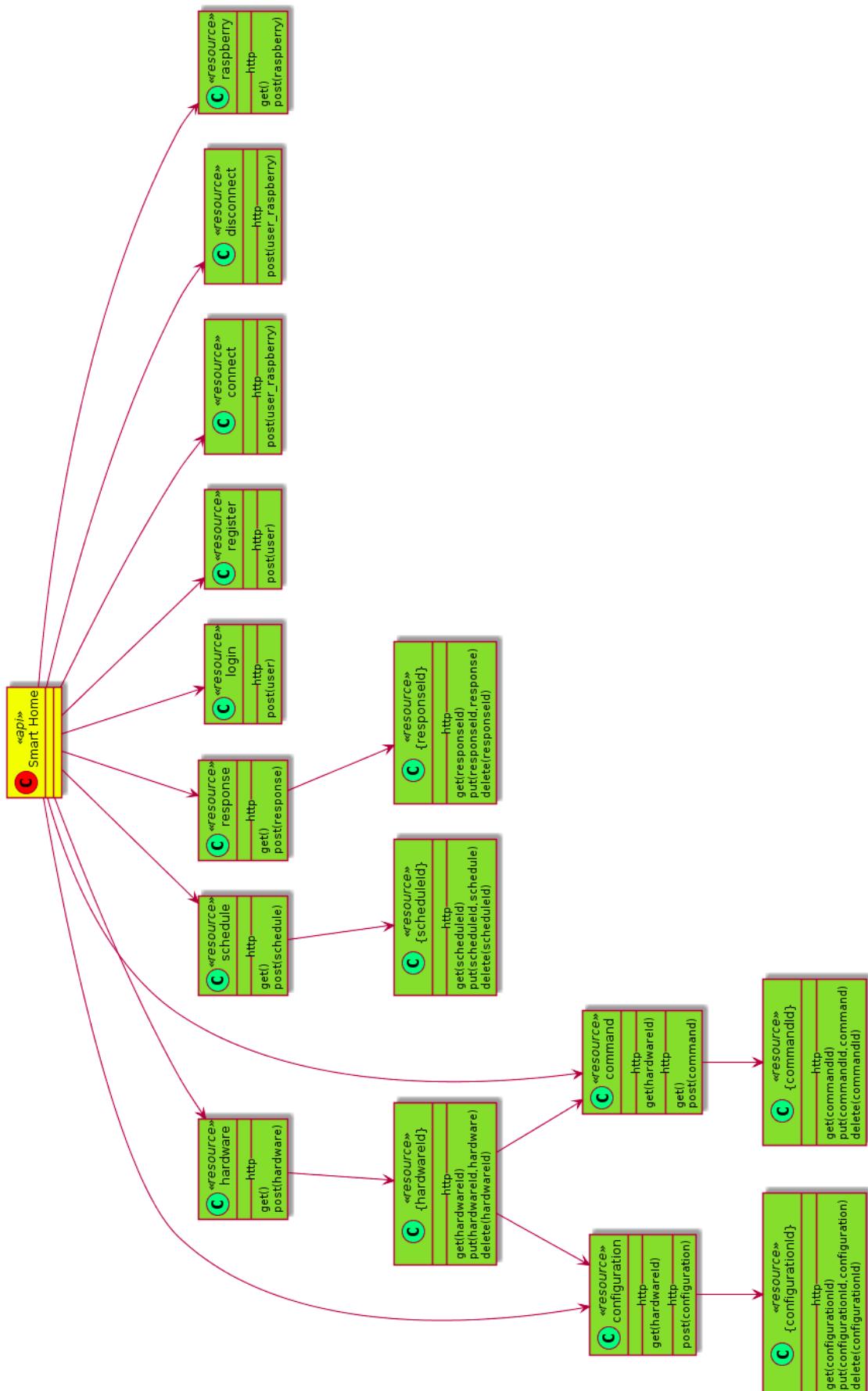


Figure 3.27: REST API



Representations/Messages

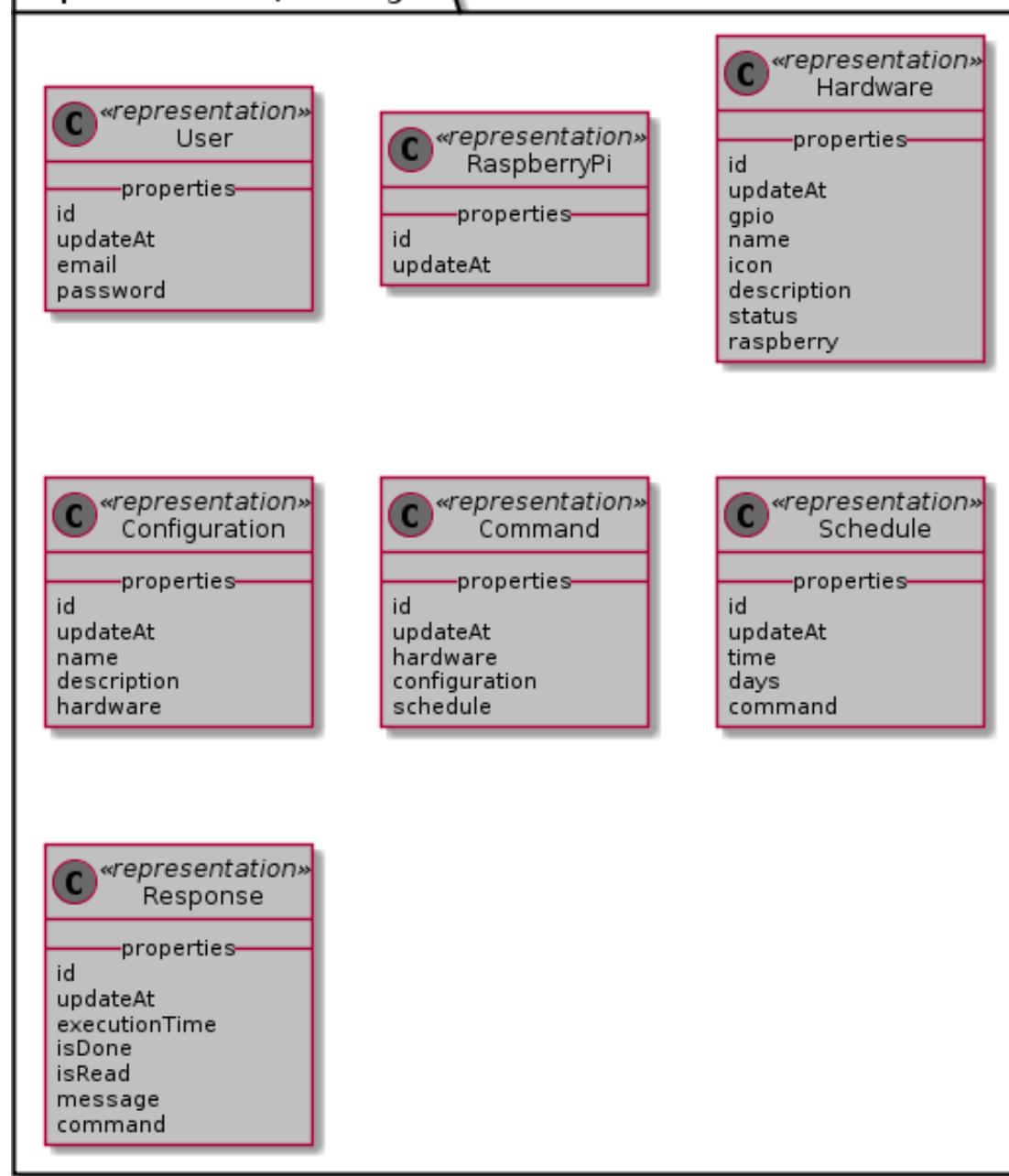


Figure 3.28: REST API models

CHAPTER NO. 4

SYSTEM DESIGN



4 System Design

4.1 System Architecture

The proposed project has 4 tiers. The Android App, the web app and finally the raspberry pi script and finally the system database. The android app works as the user interface. The raspberry pi app is the one responsible for controlling the actual hardwares. The web app works as a medium for managing user requests and raspberry pi's response. Finally, the database that stores these data. *Figure 4.1 and figure 4.2 show the architecture for the system using component and deployment diagrams.*

4.1.1 The android application

Also known as the client tier. It enables the user to interact with the system through a simple graphical user interface. Android application can send requests to the web server and receive responses. This app is designed using Java programming language, Android framework, Retrofit library for managing networking and finally Gson for parsing JSON responses.

4.1.2 The raspberry pi script

Also known as the aggregation tier. It executes the commands and send responses to the web application. The script is a simple python program that controls different hardwares using GPIO library.

4.1.3 The web application

Also known as the delivery tier. It works as an immediate medium between the user and raspberry pi. The advantage for adding this layer is guaranteed execution regardless of user location and distance from raspberry pi. The web app will be deployed on an ubuntu server. It is made using python programming language and flask framework. Also, sqlalchemy, which is an ORM for managing database



interaction, will be used to ease the development.

4.1.4 The system database

Also known as the Services tier. It manages and stores all system data.

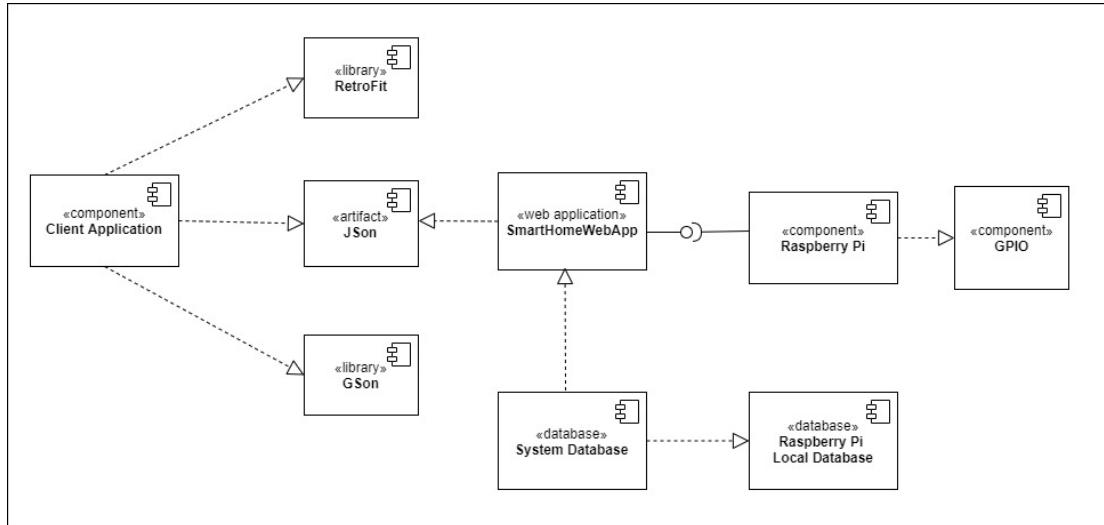


Figure 4.1: Component Diagram

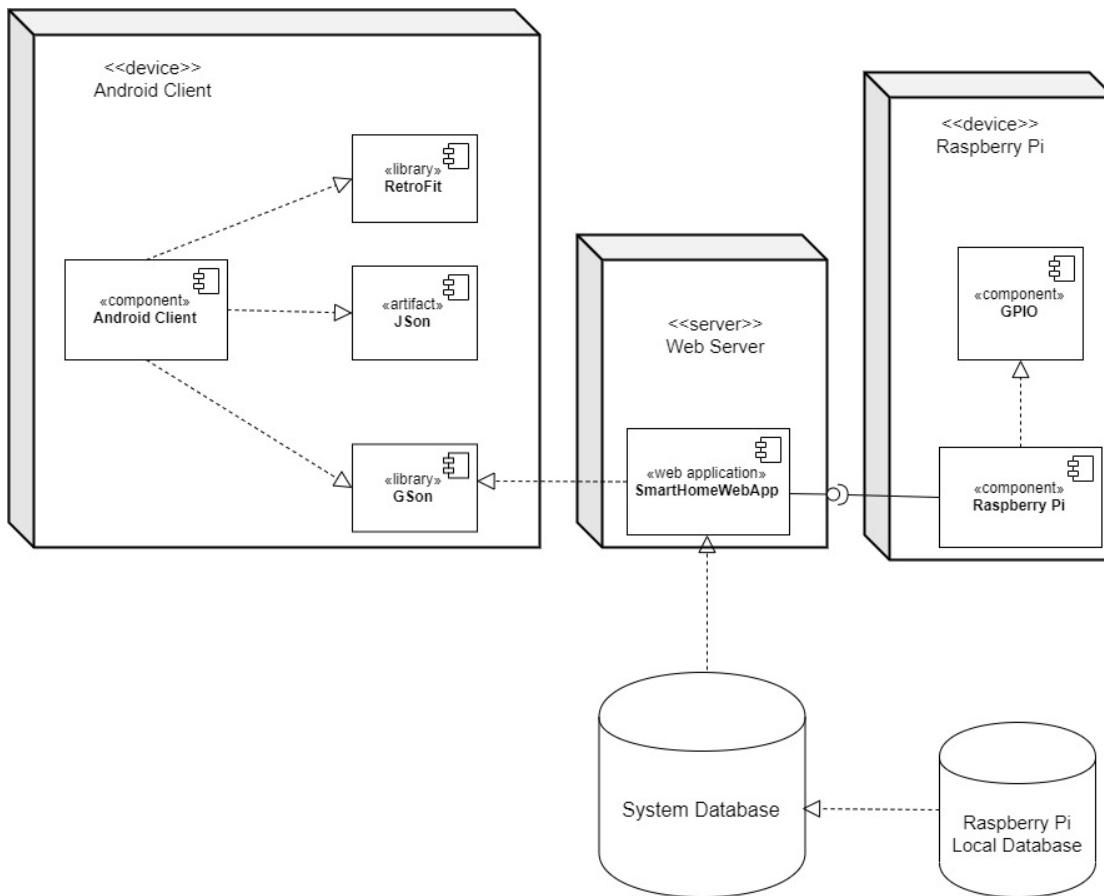


Figure 4.2: Deployment Diagram

Figure 4.3 shows the four-tier architecture explained above. In our system, the best architecture to use is four-tier architecture because of its flexibility and scalability to add multiple services. Also, it adopts user experiences that are fast, responsive, and tailored unique needs. Furthermore, multi-tier architecture also reduces traffic on the network[32].

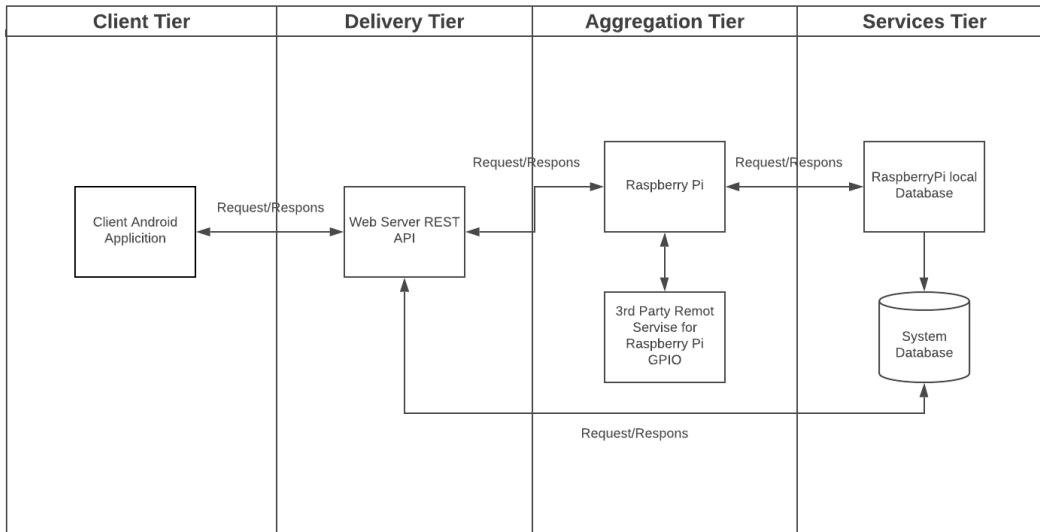


Figure 4.3: Architecture Diagram



4.2 User Interface Design

4.2.1 Login Activity

Figure 4.4 shows the login activity. It is the activity that the user will see when the app is first launched to prompt the user to enter their credentials.

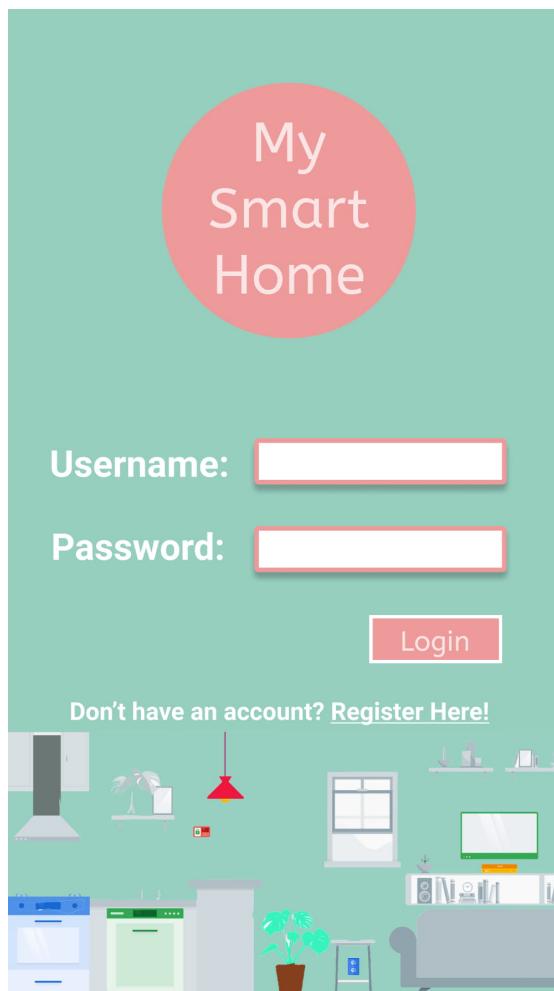


Figure 4.4: UI: Login Activity



4.2.2 Raspberry Activity

Figure 4.5 shows the raspberry activity. All the raspberry connected to the user shall be viewed here, with the option of deleting them or adding new ones.



Added Raspberry Pi's

-  Raspberry_1
-  Raspberry_2
-  Raspberry_3

Figure 4.5: UI: Raspberry Activity



4.2.3 Hardwares Activity

Figure 4.6 shows the hardwares activity. All the hardwares in the system shall be displayed in a grid.

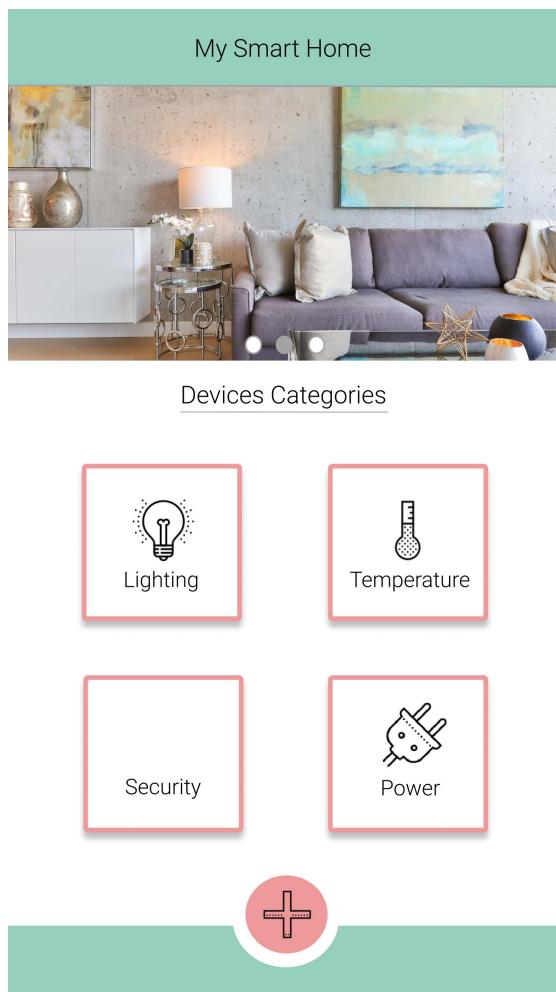


Figure 4.6: UI: Home Activity



4.2.4 Hardware Activity

Figure 4.7 shows the hardware activity. The user first is shown the current status for the hardware. Then, a list of active command is presented with the ability to edit/delete each command. Also, the user can click on the + icon to add a new command.

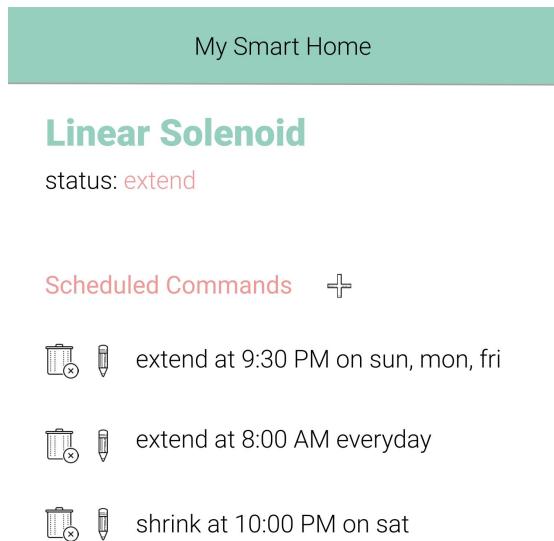


Figure 4.7: UI: Hardware Activity



4.2.5 New Command Activity

Figure 4.8 shows the new command activity, where the user can add a new command to be executed. First, the user choose the configuration wanted. Then either execute the command now, or click on the schedule, which will open a new activity to choose the scheduling information desired.

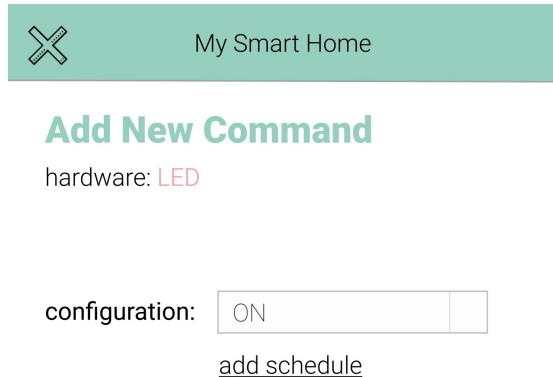


Figure 4.8: UI: New Command Activity



4.2.6 Schedule Activity

Figure 4.9 shows the schedule activity. This activity appears once the user clicks on add schedule in the previous activity. The user can choose the time of execution and the days to execute the action here.

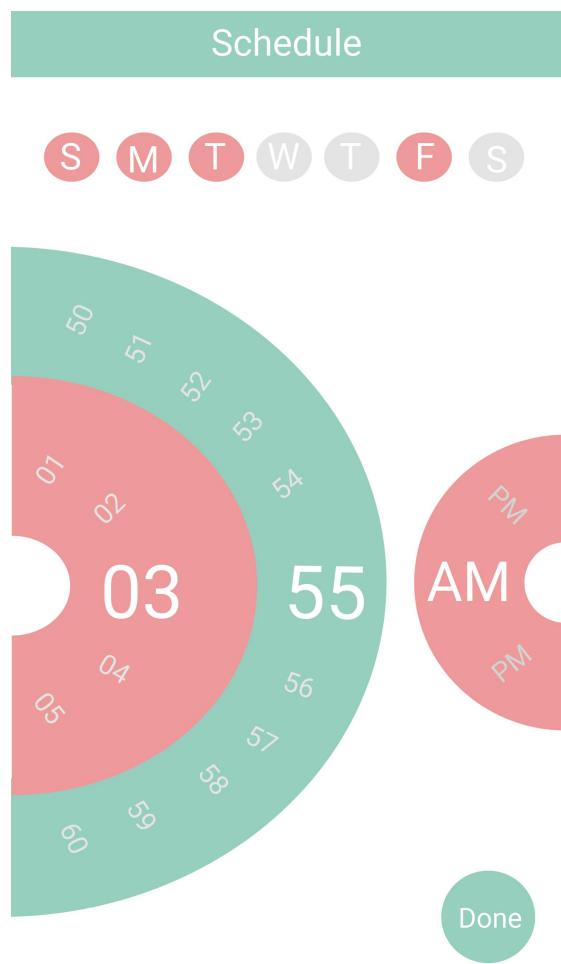


Figure 4.9: UI: Schedule Activity



4.2.7 Progress Fragment

Figure 4.10 shows the waiting progress fragment that will appear until the web server respond with the code 201, which denotes a successful creation of a command.

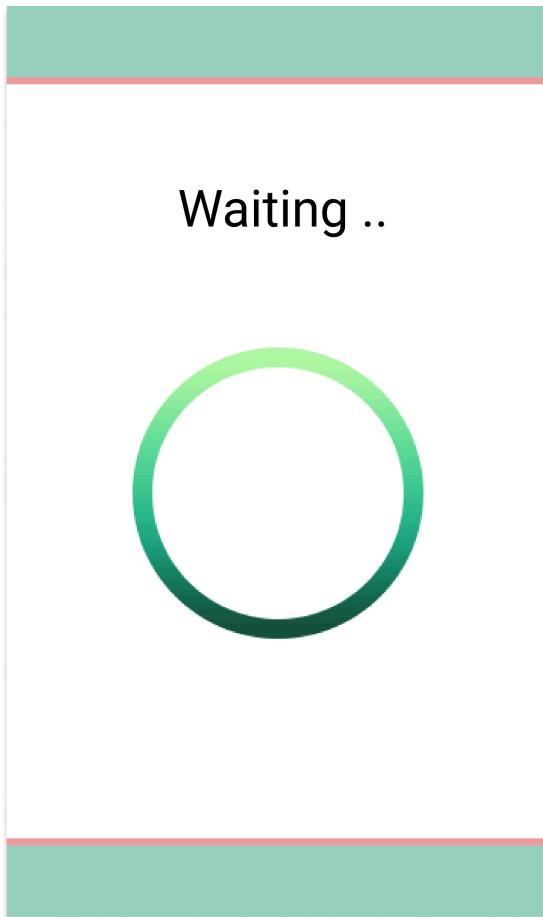


Figure 4.10: UI: Progress Fragment



4.2.8 Message Fragment

Once the server responds, the message embedded with the response shall be displayed to the user. Either **Done!** with **201** or the error message when the code is different. *Figure 4.11* shows the message when the command is successfully created.



Done!



Figure 4.11: UI: Message Fragment

CHAPTER NO. 5

IMPLEMENTATION



5 Implementation

5.1 Implementation Requirements

As mentioned before, the system has three major components: **Web application**, **mobile application** and **raspberry pi script**. The software requirement was detailed in section 3.2.1 while the hardware requirements was in section 3.2.2. However, after writing the code for each component, an installation has to be made.

5.1.1 Software Requirements

Jet brain's IDE were used to write the code, specifically **PyCharm**. For the android application, the official **Android Studio** was used.

5.1.2 Hardware Requirements

For the web application, a server was brought. The OS is *ubunut 16.04*. The official digitalocean [33] guide was followed. After that, a domain name was assigned to the web application and it is now available over gp.reem-codes.com.

For the android application, an android mobile is required.

Finally for the raspberry script, raspberry pi was bought along with its accessories mentioned before. *Figure 5.1* shows raspberry pi connected to two LEDs.



Figure 5.1: Connecting Raspberry Pi with the hardware

5.2 Implementation Details

The project was divided into three parts. Each part is a stand-alone application. However, the communication is done using the web api application. Since the system is broken down into 3 components, a functionality as straight-forward as *login* for instance may be written in two or more of these applications.

Below are the main functionality of the system, along with their major code and the way they work



5.2.1 Web Application

Function Name	Login
Input	email and password, or raspberry id
Output	token or an error message
Explanation	a straightforward method. When an email and password is passed to it, a token is returned if the authentication was correct. Otherwise an error message appears. This method also is used for raspberry login with the same procedure.
<pre> 12 @app.route('/login', methods=['POST']) 13 def login(): 14 if not request.is_json: 15 return jsonify({"message": "Missing JSON in request"}), 400 16 17 email = request.json.get('email', None) 18 password = request.json.get('password', None) 19 raspberry_id = request.json.get('raspberry_id', None) 20 21 if raspberry_id: 22 raspberry = Raspberry.query.filter_by(id=raspberry_id).first() 23 if not raspberry: 24 return jsonify({"message": "Bad raspberry pi id"}), 401 25 ret = { 26 'access_token': create_access_token(identity=raspberry.id), 27 } 28 return jsonify(ret), 200 29 else: 30 if not email: 31 return jsonify({"message": "Missing email parameter"}), 400 32 if not password: 33 return jsonify({"message": "Missing password parameter"}), 400 34 35 user = User.query.filter_by(email=email).first() 36 if not user or not bcrypt.check_password_hash(user.password, password): 37 return jsonify({"message": "Bad email or password"}), 401 38 39 # Identity can be any data that is json serializable 40 ret = { 41 'access_token': create_access_token(identity=user.id), 42 'user': user 43 } 44 return jsonify(ret), 200 </pre>	



Besides the login function, the web application offers methods to access the database's tables.

Function Name	API functions
Input	the token, id and body if needed
Output	message and the object if needed
Explanation	For each model, 5 functions are written: index, edit, delete, get and insert.
	<pre> @app.route("/hardware", methods=["GET"]) @jwt_required def hardware_index(): raspberry = request.args.get('raspberry_id') ids = {"raspberry_id": raspberry} if raspberry else {} return jsonify(Hardware.index(ids)) @app.route("/hardware", methods=["POST"]) @jwt_required def hardware_post(): body = request.get_json() obj = Hardware.post(body) return {"message": Config.POST_MESSAGE, "object": obj}, 201 @app.route("/hardware/<_id>", methods=["GET"]) @jwt_required def hardware_get(_id): raspberry = request.args.get('raspberry_id') ids = {"id": _id} if raspberry: ids["raspberry_id"] = raspberry obj = Hardware.get(ids) return jsonify(obj) @app.route("/hardware/<_id>", methods=["DELETE"]) @jwt_required def hardware_delete(_id): Hardware.delete({"id": _id}) return {"message": Config.DELETE_MESSAGE}, 203 @app.route("/hardware/<_id>", methods=["PUT"]) @jwt_required def hardware_put(_id): body = request.get_json() obj = Hardware.put({"id": _id}, body) return {"message": Config.PUT_MESSAGE, "object": obj} </pre>



5.2.2 Raspberry Pi

Function Name	Main
Input	All the commands gotten from the server
Output	Execution of the method execute which carries out the commands and switches on the LED
Explanation	<p>The function, when invoked, uses the GET method to get all the commands saved in the server. It iterates through them and checks if the commands schedule_id attribute is set to some value. In that case, the command is scheduled. The time string of the schedule is taken from schedules time attribute and is saved then turned into a format that includes the days date. The day of the week is identified and turned into a binary digit using the binary_to_position function. Then, if the day and execution time are less than the present, the execute function is called, and the command is executed. Otherwise, if the schedule_id is not set to some value, this means that the command is immediate, and the execute function is called right away.</p> <pre> def main(): now = datetime.datetime.now() # today's datetime # GET all commands from server and save it in data variable data = api.get_commands() for command in data: # looping through commands print(command) hw_id = command["hardware_id"] gpio = api.get.hardware(command["hardware_id"])["gpio"] conf = command["configuration"] command_id = command["id"] if command["schedule_id"] is not None: # if the command is scheduled (i.e. schedule_id != null) # GET schedule_id from the server and save it in schedule variable schedule = api.get_schedule(str(command["schedule_id"])) # the schedule has a time string (e.g. "04:45 AM") and an integer from 0-126 representing the binary days schedule_time = datetime.datetime.strptime(schedule["time"], "%I:%M %p") # time string into datetime object # turn the time string into today's date with the time given execution_time = datetime.datetime(now.year, now.month, now.day, schedule_time.hour, schedule_time.minute) # find today's weekday (e.g. sun, mon, tues) weekday = execution_time.today().weekday() # return the day of execution from the schedule days = binary_to_position("0:07b").format(schedule["days"]) # if the weekday is part of the execution days and the time is before no if weekday in days and execution_time < now: self._api.set_gpio_value(_on_=conf, command_id=command_id, hw_id=hw_id) # execute else: # immediate command # turn update from string into datetime datetime_object = datetime.datetime.strptime(command["updateAt"], "%a, %d %b %Y %H:%M:%S %Z") if datetime_object < now: # if the execution time before now self._api.set_gpio_value(_on_=conf, command_id=command_id, hw_id=hw_id) </pre>



Function Name	Execute
Input	<p><code>_gpio</code>: The GPIO pin connected. <code>_on</code>: Whether to make it high or low. <code>Command_id</code>: The commands that will be executed. <code>hw_id</code>: The physical components connected to a raspberry pi. Such as LED lights, linear solenoids.</p>
Output	<p>Post response to the server that indicates whether the commands has been successfully done with date and time.</p>
Explanation	<p>The function will turn the hardware ON and OFF depending on the GPIO pin. The POST method will be sending a response and the PUT method will change the status of hardware from the OFF status to ON or conversely.</p>
	<pre>def execute(_gpio, _on, command_id, hw_id): print("I'm executing...") print(_gpio, _on) GPIO.setmode(GPIO.BCM) GPIO.setup(_gpio, GPIO.OUT) GPIO.output(_gpio, GPIO.LOW if _on else GPIO.HIGH) res = {"isDone": True, "message": "command executed successfully", "executionTime": datetime.datetime.now().strftime('%a, %d %b %Y %H:%M:%S %Z'), "command_id": command_id } api.post_response(res) api.put_hardware(hw_id, _on)</pre>



5.2.3 Android Application

Even though the majority of functions are in android studio, a few will be mentioned. The rest are filler functions and boiler plates. The most important functions are:

- create, get, delete and edit command, hardware and raspberry: basically, providing UI interfaces for the users to manipulate the models of the system. These are done using **Adapters** and **onActivityResult**.
- get response each 5 minutes from the server: to see the execution result of a command. This is done using **onStartCommand** function.
- communicating with the server: and it is done using different methods all following the same **methodModelApiformat**. In which the method is GET, POST, PUT or DELETE. The model is either command, schedule, hardware, response or raspberry.



Function Name	methodModelApi
Input	the id and body if needed. The access token.
Output	Show message to user.
Explanation	These methods family are used to communicate with the server using the okhttp library. A request is build then a response is received. The response is validated and turned into an object for further processing
	<pre>public void getResponseApi() throws IOException { url = getString(R.string.api_url) + "/response"; Request request = new Request.Builder() .url(url) .get() .addHeader("Authorization", "Bearer " + currentLoggedUser.getAccess_token()) .build(); client.newCall(request).enqueue(new Callback() { @Override public void onFailure(Call call, IOException e) { Toast.makeText(getApplicationContext(), "failed", Toast.LENGTH_SHORT).show(); } @Override public void onResponse(Call call, Response response) throws IOException { String result = response.body().string(); System.out.println("DEBUG results are " + result); Gson gson = new Gson(); TypeToken<ArrayList<Response>> typeToken = new TypeToken<ArrayList<Response>>() {}; responses = gson.fromJson(result, typeToken.getType()); for(Response res : responses) { addNotification(res); } } }); }</pre>



Function Name	onStartCommand
Input	the time interval of executing
Output	show response to users as a push notification.
Explanation	At first, this method check if the user is logged in. If they are the getResponseApi -part of the method-ModelApi family- is called. This methods get all responses belonging to this user and show them as push notification. This process is repeated each 5 minutes.
	<pre> @Override public int onStartCommand(Intent intent, int flags, int startId) { checkUser(this); if(currentLoggedUser != null) { final Handler handler = new Handler(); Runnable runnable = new Runnable() { @Override public void run() { try{ getResponseApi(); } catch (Exception e){ System.out.println("GPDEBUG "+ e.getMessage()); } handler.postDelayed(this, DELAYED_TIME); } }; handler.post(runnable); } return START_STICKY; } </pre>



Function Name	user event listeners in adapters
Input	user clicks on delete icon or edit icon
Output	Show the user a form for editing or creating.
Explanation	In android, adapters are classes managing list of data. For each item, we attached a delete and edit methods. Also, create method is attached to the whole list so an item can be added. All of these functions work on the user interface but call one of the methodModelApi family in the background to enforce these changes in the server.
edit event listener and delete event listener	// if the user clicked on the edit button, open the NewCommandActivity <pre>edit.setOnClickListener(new View.OnClickListener() {</pre> <pre>// if the user clicked on delete button, call the API to delete it delete.setOnClickListener(new View.OnClickListener() {</pre>



Function Name	onActivityResult
Input	the action: edit or create
Output	return user to the list view page
Explanation	When a user clicks on create button or the edit button, a form is shown to take the input. Once the input is taken, a function of the methodModelApi family is called.
<pre> @Override protected void onActivityResult(int requestCode, int resultCode, Intent data) { super.onActivityResult(requestCode, resultCode, data); if (requestCode == LAUNCH_ADD_HARDWARE requestCode == HardwareAdapter.LAUNCH_EDIT_HARDWARE) { if (resultCode == Activity.RESULT_OK) { int gpio = data.getIntExtra("gpio", -1); String name = data.getStringExtra("name"); String desc = data.getStringExtra("desc"); String icon = data.getStringExtra("icon"); boolean isEdit = data.getBooleanExtra("isEdit", false); if(isEdit){ TypeToken<Hardware> token = new TypeToken<Hardware>(){}; hardware = (Hardware) Gson.fromJson(data.getStringExtra("hardware"), token.getType()); System.out.println("GODEBUG IS EDIT"); } String text = String.format("(\\\"name\\\":\\\"%s\\\", \\\"gpio\\\":%d,\\\"icon\\\": \\\"%s\\\", \\\"desc\\\": \\\"%s\\\", \\\"raspberry_id\\\": %d)", name, gpio, icon, desc, raspberry.getId()); try { postPutHardwareApi(text, isEdit); } catch (IOException e) { Toast.makeText(this, "please check network and try again", Toast.LENGTH_LONG).show(); } if (resultCode == Activity.RESULT_CANCELED) { Toast.makeText(this, "no hardware created", Toast.LENGTH_LONG).show(); } } } } //onActivityResult </pre>	



5.3 I/O Screens

The following are the main input and output screens

5.3.1 Login Screen

First, the user is required to login or register before using the system. *Figure 5.2* shows the login interface.

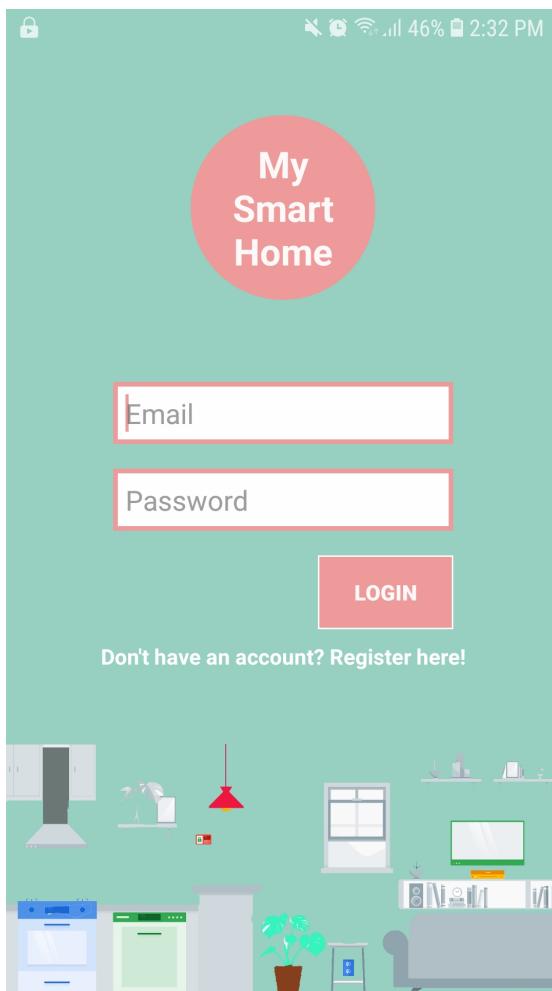
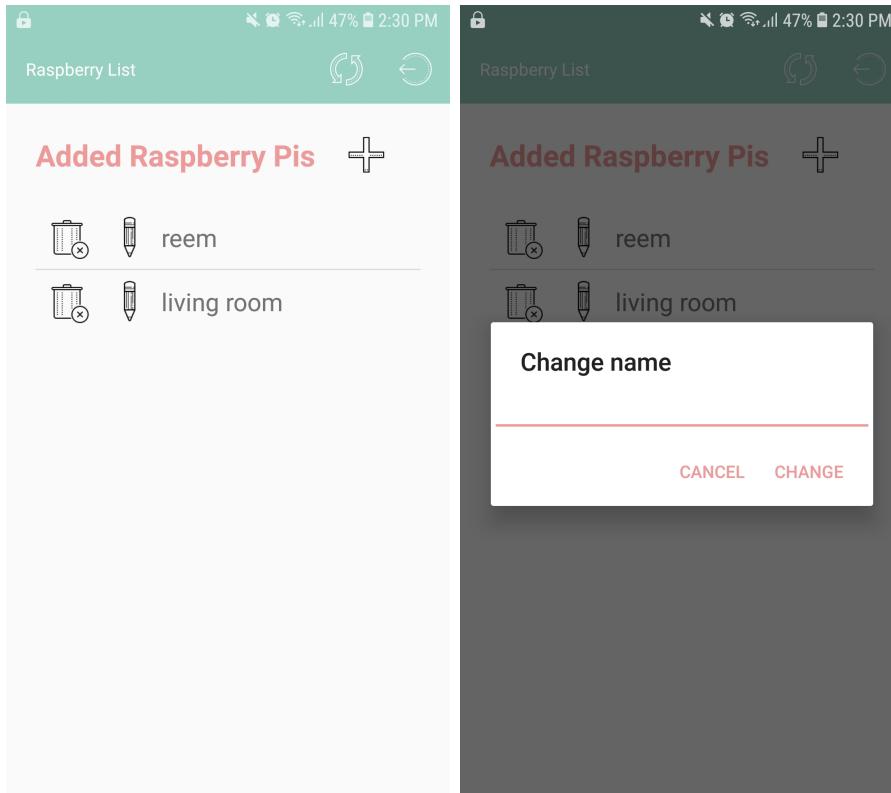


Figure 5.2: I/O: Login Screen



5.3.2 Raspberry Pi Screen

After successful login, the user is redirected to the raspberry pi's list of connected devices. *Figure 5.3* shows the Raspberry Pi interfaces.



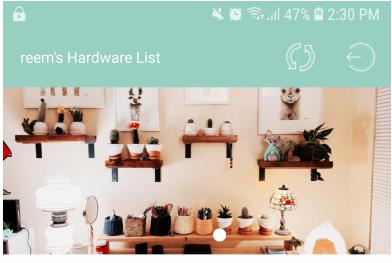
(a) I/O: Raspberry Pi List (b) I/O: Raspberry Pi Edit

Figure 5.3: I/O: Raspberry Pi Screens



5.3.3 Hardware Screen

After clicking on one of the raspberry pi's, the hardware list appears. *Figure 5.4* shows the Hardware interfaces.



Devices Categories

blue

green



Edit Hardware

Raspberry: reem

blue

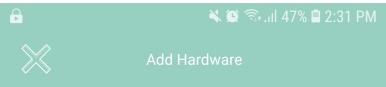
12

desc

icon:

DONE

(a) I/O: Hardware List
(b) I/O: Hardware Edit



Add New Hardware

Raspberry: reem

name

gpio

desc

icon:

DONE

(c) I/O: Hardware Create

Figure 5.4: I/O: Hardware Screens



5.3.4 Command & Schedule Screen

For each hardware, a user can create a command and see the command list.

Figure 5.5 shows the Command and Schedule interfaces.



blue

Status: **OFF**

Schedule Command +

- ON at 9:30 PM on Mon, Thurs, Sat
- OFF at 12:30 AM on Tue, Fri
- ON at 6:45 PM on everyday

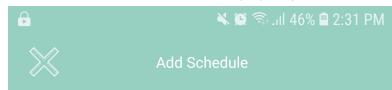
Add New Command

Hardware: blue

Configuration: ON

DONE **ADD SCHEDULE**

(a) I/O: Command List



(b) I/O: Command Create

9 : 30 AM PM

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs
Fri	Sat	Sun	

DONE

(c) I/O: Schedule Create

Figure 5.5: I/O: Command Screens



6 Testing

6.1 Testing

6.2 Test Plan

6.2.1 Unit Test

6.2.2 Functional Test

6.2.3 Acceptance Test

6.3 Test Items

6.3.1 Features to Be Tested

6.3.2 Schedule of Test Actions

6.3.3 Test Tasks

6.4 Test Case

6.5 Test Result



7 Conclusion

7.1 Conclusion

7.2 Evaluation

7.3 Future Work



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CHAPTER NO. 8

APPENDICES



8 Appendices



A Figures

A.1 Similar systems hub design



Figure A.1: Similar systems: hub design



B REST API Documentation



Smart Home

Overview

This is the documentation for smart home web rest api by [reem alghamdi](#)

Version information

Version : 1.0

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License information

License : MIT

License URL : <https://opensource.org/licenses/MIT>

Terms of service : null

URI scheme

Host : gp.reem-codes.com

BasePath : /api

Schemes : HTTPS, HTTP

Tags

- Command : What user wants raspberry to do. It is a mapping between the time, the hardware and the configuration
- Configuration : All the possible configuration and status for a given hardware. eg: on, off, red, extended ...
- Hardware : Everything about the sensors and actuators connected to raspberry pi
- RaspberryPi : raspberry pi connected to users
- Response : What the raspberry wants the user to know. It is a mapping between the time of execution, the command triggered and whether the action was done or not
- Schedule : scheduling information for command if any. Specifys the days and time of day the user would like a command to be triggered
- User : saving user information to correctly connect them with their respectful raspberry pi



Security

bearerAuth

Type : apiKey
Name : Authorization
In : HEADER

Paths

Add a new command

POST /command

Parameters

Type	Name	Description	Schema
Body	command <i>optional</i>	The command to create.	command

command

Name	Description	Schema
configurationId <i>required</i>	the id of the configuration to apply to the hardware Example : 3	integer
hardwareId <i>required</i>	the id of the hardware this command targets Example : 1	integer
scheduleId <i>optional</i>	the id of the schedule if any Example : 453	integer

Responses

HTTP Code	Description	Schema
201	Created	Command
405	Invalid input	No Content



Consumes

- application/json

Produces

- application/json

Tags

- Command

get all commands

```
GET /command
```

Responses

HTTP Code	Description	Schema
200	return an array of command objects	< Command > array

Produces

- application/json

Tags

- Command

get a command by id

```
GET /command/{commandId}
```

Parameters

Type	Name	Schema
Path	commandId <i>required</i>	integer



Responses

HTTP Code	Description	Schema
200	get the command	Command
404	Not found	No Content

Produces

- application/json

Tags

- Command

edit an existing command given its id

```
PUT /command/{commandId}
```

Parameters

Type	Name	Description	Schema
Path	commandId <i>required</i>		integer
Body	command <i>optional</i>	The command to edit.	command

command

Name	Description	Schema
configurationId <i>required</i>	the id of the configuration to apply to the hardware Example : 3	integer
hardwareId <i>required</i>	the id of the hardware this command targets Example : 1	integer
scheduleId <i>optional</i>	the id of the schedule if any Example : 453	integer



Responses

HTTP Code	Description	Schema
200	Edited	Command
404	Not found	No Content
405	Invalid input	No Content

Consumes

- application/json

Produces

- application/json

Tags

- Command

delete a command by id

```
DELETE /command/{commandId}
```

Parameters

Type	Name	Schema
Path	commandId <i>required</i>	integer

Responses

HTTP Code	Description	Schema
204	deleted	No Content
404	Not found	No Content

Tags

- Command



Add a new configuration to a hardware

POST /configuration

Parameters

Type	Name	Description	Schema
Body	configuration <i>optional</i>	The configuration to create.	configuration

configuration

Name	Description	Schema
description <i>optional</i>	information about the configuration Example : "EXTEND means that it will become longer by 3cm"	string
hardwareId <i>required</i>	the hardware this configuration belongs to Example : "ON belongs to the hardwareID 1, which is RED LED"	integer
name <i>required</i>	the configuration name Example : "ON"	string

Responses

HTTP Code	Description	Schema
201	Created	Configuration
405	Invalid input	No Content

Consumes

- [application/json](#)

Produces

- [application/json](#)

Tags

- Configuration



get a configuration by id

GET /configuration/{configurationId}

Parameters

Type	Name	Schema
Path	configurationId <i>required</i>	integer

Responses

HTTP Code	Description	Schema
200	get the configuration	Configuration
404	Not found	No Content

Produces

- [application/json](#)

Tags

- Configuration

edit an existing configuration given its id

PUT /configuration/{configurationId}

Parameters

Type	Name	Description	Schema
Path	configurationId <i>required</i>		integer
Body	configuration <i>optional</i>	The configuration to edit.	configuration

configuration



Name	Description	Schema
description <i>optional</i>	information about the configuration Example : "EXTEND means that it will become longer by 3cm"	string
hardwareId <i>optional</i>	the hardware this configuration belongs to Example : "ON belongs to the hardwareID 1, which is RED LED"	integer
name <i>optional</i>	the configuration name Example : "ON"	string

Responses

HTTP Code	Description	Schema
200	Edited	Configuration
404	Not found	No Content
405	Invalid input	No Content

Consumes

- application/json

Produces

- application/json

Tags

- Configuration

delete a configuration by id

```
DELETE /configuration/{configurationId}
```

Parameters

Type	Name	Schema
Path	configurationId <i>required</i>	integer



Responses

HTTP Code	Description	Schema
204	deleted	No Content
404	Not found	No Content

Tags

- Configuration

connect a user to raspberry pi

POST /connect

Parameters

Type	Name	Description	Schema
Body	user_raspberry	The user and raspberry data <i>optional</i>	user_raspberry

user_raspberry

Name	Description	Schema
raspberry_id <i>required</i>	the raspberry id that needs to be connected to the logged in user Example : 3	integer

Responses

HTTP Code	Description	Schema
200	return an array of raspberry pi objects connected	< RaspberryPi > array
405	Invalid input	No Content



Consumes

- application/json

Produces

- application/json

Tags

- RaspberryPi
- User

disconnect a user from a raspberry pi

POST /disconnect

Parameters

Type	Name	Description	Schema
Body	user_raspberry	The user and raspberry data <i>optional</i>	user_raspberry

user_raspberry

Name	Description	Schema
raspberry_id	the raspberry id that needs to be disconnected from the logged in user Example : 4	integer

Responses

HTTP Code	Description	Schema
200	return an array of raspberry pi objects connected	< RaspberryPi > array
405	Invalid input	No Content

Consumes

- application/json



Produces

- application/json

Tags

- RaspberryPi
- User

Add a new Hardware to the system

POST /hardware

Parameters

Type	Name	Description	Schema
Body	hardware <i>optional</i>	The hardware to create.	hardware

hardware

Name	Description	Schema
description <i>optional</i>	additional info regarding the hardware Example : "LED is a small electrical component that can emit light"	string
gpio <i>required</i>	the gpio pin the hardware is installed at Example : 11	integer
icon <i>optional</i>	URL image to desired icon in client Example " https://image.flaticon.com/icons/png/512/32/32750.png "	: string
name <i>required</i>	the hardware name Example : "RGB LED"	string

Responses

HTTP Code	Description	Schema
201	Created	Hardware
405	Invalid input	No Content



Consumes

- application/json

Produces

- application/json

Tags

- Hardware

get all hardwares connected to raspberry pi

```
GET /hardware
```

Responses

HTTP Code	Description	Schema
200	return an array of hardware objects	< Hardware > array

Produces

- application/json

Tags

- Hardware

get a hardware by id

```
GET /hardware/{hardwareId}
```

Parameters

Type	Name	Schema
Path	hardwareId <i>required</i>	integer



Responses

HTTP Code	Description	Schema
200	get the hardware	Hardware
404	Not found	No Content

Produces

- application/json

Tags

- Hardware

edit an existing hardware given its id

```
PUT /hardware/{hardwareId}
```

Parameters

Type	Name	Description	Schema
Path	hardwareId <i>required</i>		integer
Body	hardware <i>optional</i>	The hardware to edit.	hardware

hardware

Name	Description	Schema
description <i>optional</i>	additional info regarding the hardware Example : "LED is a small electrical component that can emit light"	string
gpio <i>required</i>	the gpio pin the hardware is installed at Example : 11	integer
icon <i>optional</i>	URL image to desired icon in client Example " https://image.flaticon.com/icons/png/512/32/32750.png "	string



Name	Description	Schema
name <i>required</i>	the hardware name Example : "RGB LED"	string

Responses

HTTP Code	Description	Schema
200	Edited	Hardware
404	Not found	No Content
405	Invalid input	No Content

Consumes

- application/json

Produces

- application/json

Tags

- Hardware

delete a hardware by id

```
DELETE /hardware/{hardwareId}
```

Parameters

Type	Name	Schema
Path	hardwareId <i>required</i>	integer

Responses

HTTP Code	Description	Schema
204	deleted	No Content



HTTP Code	Description	Schema
404	Not found	No Content

Tags

- Hardware

get all commands given a hardwareID

```
GET /hardware/{hardwareId}/command
```

Parameters

Type	Name	Schema
Path	hardwareId required	integer

Responses

HTTP Code	Description	Schema
200	return an array of command objects	< Command > array

Produces

- application/json

Tags

- Command
- Hardware

get all configuration for a given hardware

```
GET /hardware/{hardwareId}/configuration
```

Parameters



Type	Name	Schema
Path	hardwareId <i>required</i>	integer

Responses

HTTP Code	Description	Schema
200	return an array of configuration objects	< Configuration > array

Produces

- application/json

Tags

- Configuration
- Hardware

user logs in

POST /login

Parameters

Type	Name	Description	Schema
Body	user <i>optional</i>	The user credentials.	user

user

Name	Description	Schema
email <i>required</i>	the user email used in login Example : "reem.brain@gmail.com"	string (email)
password <i>required</i>	user password for verification Example : "Big_s3cret"	string



Responses

HTTP Code	Description	Schema
200	Created	Response 200
405	Invalid input	No Content

Response 200

Name	Schema
token <i>optional</i>	string (jwt bearer token)

Consumes

- application/json

Produces

- application/json

Tags

- User

Add a new raspberry pi to the system

POST /raspberry

Parameters

Type	Name	Description	Schema
Body	raspberry <i>optional</i>	The raspberry to create.	raspberry

raspberry

Name	Description	Schema
id <i>required</i>	the raspberry pi id Example : 14	integer



Responses

HTTP Code	Description	Schema
201	Created	RaspberryPi
405	Invalid input	No Content

Consumes

- application/json

Produces

- application/json

Tags

- RaspberryPi

get all raspberry pis connected to a user

GET /raspberry

Responses

HTTP Code	Description	Schema
200	return an array of raspberry pi objects	< RaspberryPi > array

Produces

- application/json

Tags

- RaspberryPi

user register

POST /register



Parameters

Type	Name	Description	Schema
Body	user <i>optional</i>	The user credentials.	user

user

Name	Description	Schema
email <i>required</i>	the user email wanted Example : "reem.brain@gmail.com"	string (email)
password <i>required</i>	user wanted password Example : "Big_s3cret"	string

Responses

HTTP Code	Description	Schema
200	Created	Response 200
405	Invalid input	No Content

Response 200

Name	Schema
token <i>optional</i>	string (jwt bearer token)

Consumes

- [application/json](#)

Produces

- [application/json](#)

Tags

- User



Add a new response

POST /response

Parameters

Type	Name	Description	Schema
Body	response <i>optional</i>	The response to create.	response

response

Name	Description	Schema
commandId <i>required</i>	the command id the response is for Example : <code>23</code>	integer
executionTime <i>optional</i>	the actual time raspberry pi executed the command	string (date-time)
isDone <i>required</i>	whether the command has been successfully done or not Example : <code>true</code>	boolean
isRead <i>optional</i>	whether the response has been read by the android client Example : <code>false</code>	boolean
message <i>optional</i>	optional message regarding the action Example : <code>"the command 243 was successfully executed!"</code>	string

Responses

HTTP Code	Description	Schema
201	Created	Response
405	Invalid input	No Content

Consumes

- `application/json`



Produces

- application/json

Tags

- Response

get all responses

GET /response

Responses

HTTP Code	Description	Schema
200	return an array of response objects	< Response > array

Produces

- application/json

Tags

- Response

get a response by id

GET /response/{responseId}

Parameters

Type	Name	Schema
Path	responseId <i>required</i>	integer

Responses

HTTP Code	Description	Schema
200	get the response	Response



HTTP Code	Description	Schema
404	Not found	No Content

Produces

- application/json

Tags

- Response

edit an existing response given its id

PUT /response/{responseId}

Parameters

Type	Name	Description	Schema
Path	responseId <i>required</i>		integer
Body	response <i>optional</i>	The response to edit.	response

response

Name	Description	Schema
commandId <i>optional</i>	the command id the response is for Example : 23	integer
executionTime <i>optional</i>	the actual time raspberry pi executed the command	string (date-time)
isDone <i>optional</i>	whether the command has been successfully done or not Example : false	boolean
isRead <i>optional</i>	whether the response has been read by the android client Example : true	boolean



Name	Description	Schema
message <i>optional</i>	optional message regarding the action Example : "the command 243 was successfully executed!"	string

Responses

HTTP Code	Description	Schema
200	Edited	Response
404	Not found	No Content
405	Invalid input	No Content

Consumes

- application/json

Produces

- application/json

Tags

- Response

delete a response by id

```
DELETE /response/{responseId}
```

Parameters

Type	Name	Schema
Path	responseId <i>required</i>	integer

Responses

HTTP Code	Description	Schema
204	deleted	No Content



HTTP Code	Description	Schema
404	Not found	No Content

Tags

- Response

Add a new schedule

POST /schedule

Parameters

Type	Name	Description	Schema
Body	schedule <i>optional</i>	The schedule to create.	schedule

schedule

Name	Description	Schema
commandId <i>required</i>	the command id this schedule belongs to Example : 231	integer
days <i>optional</i>	value between 0 and 127, representing 7 bits each bit correspond to a day in the order: sun mon tues web thurs fri sat Minimum value : 0 Maximum value : 127 Example : 120	integer (int64)
time <i>optional</i>	the time of day the command shall be executed Example : "13:50"	string (time)

Responses

HTTP Code	Description	Schema
201	Created	Schedule
405	Invalid input	No Content



Consumes

- application/json

Produces

- application/json

Tags

- Schedule

get all schedules

GET /schedule

Responses

HTTP Code	Description	Schema
200	return an array of schedule objects	< Schedule > array

Produces

- application/json

Tags

- Schedule

get a schedule by id

GET /schedule/{scheduleId}

Parameters

Type	Name	Schema
Path	scheduleId <i>required</i>	integer

Responses



HTTP Code	Description	Schema
200	get the schedule	Schedule
404	Not found	No Content

Produces

- application/json

Tags

- Schedule

edit an existing schedule given its id

PUT /schedule/{scheduleId}

Parameters

Type	Name	Description	Schema
Path	scheduleId <i>required</i>		integer
Body	schedule <i>optional</i>	The schedule to edit.	schedule

schedule

Name	Description	Schema
commandId <i>required</i>	the command id this schedule belongs to Example : 231	integer
days <i>optional</i>	value between 0 and 127, representing 7 bits each bit correspond to a day in the order: sun mon tues web thurs fri sat Minimum value : 0 Maximum value : 127 Example : 120	integer (int64)
time <i>optional</i>	the time of day the command shall be executed Example : "13:50"	string (time)



Responses

HTTP Code	Description	Schema
200	Edited	Schedule
404	Not found	No Content
405	Invalid input	No Content

Consumes

- application/json

Produces

- application/json

Tags

- Schedule

delete a schedule by id

```
DELETE /schedule/{scheduleId}
```

Parameters

Type	Name	Schema
Path	scheduleId <i>required</i>	integer

Responses

HTTP Code	Description	Schema
204	deleted	No Content
404	Not found	No Content

Tags

- Schedule



Definitions

Command

Name	Description	Schema
configuration required	the configuration desired for the hardware	Configuration
hardware required	the hardware this command is issued for	Hardware
id required	the identifier for the command in the database Example : 456	integer (int64)
schedule optional	the schedule for this command. If none this command is immediate	Schedule
updateAt optional	time of creation/last updating	string (date-time)

Configuration

Name	Description	Schema
description optional	information about the configuration Example : "EXTEND means that it will become longer by 3cm"	string
hardware required	the hardware this configuration belongs to	Hardware
id required	the identifier for the configuration in the database Example : 3	integer (int64)
name required	name of the configuration Example : "ON"	string
updateAt optional	time of creation/last updating	string (date-time)

Hardware



Name	Description	Schema
description <i>optional</i>	additional info regarding the hardware Example : "LED is a small electrical component that can emit light"	string
gpio <i>required</i>	the gpio pin the hardware is installed at Example : 11	integer
icon <i>optional</i>	URL image to desired icon in client Example : "https://image.flaticon.com/icons/png/512/32/32750.png"	: string
id <i>required</i>	the identifier for the configuration in the database Example : 1	integer (int64)
name <i>required</i>	the hardware name Example : "RGB LED"	string
raspberry <i>optional</i>	the raspberry pi this hardware is connected to	RaspberryPi
status <i>optional</i>	the current configuration for the hardware	Configuration
updateAt <i>optional</i>	time of creation/last updating	string (date-time)

RaspberryPi

Name	Description	Schema
id <i>required</i>	the identifier for the user in the database Example : 1	integer (int64)
updateAt <i>optional</i>	time of creation/last updating	string (date-time)

Response

Name	Description	Schema
command <i>required</i>	the command executed resulting in this response	Command



Name	Description	Schema
executionTime <i>optional</i>	the actual time raspberry pi executed the command Example : 865	string (date-time)
id <i>required</i>	the identifier for the response in the database Example : 865	integer (int64)
isDone <i>required</i>	whether the command has been successfully done or not Example : false	boolean
isRead <i>optional</i>	whether the response has been read by the android client Example : true	boolean
message <i>optional</i>	optional message regarding the action Example : "electrical error: hardware is not connected to the circuit"	string
updateAt <i>optional</i>	time of creation/last updating	string (date-time)

Schedule

Name	Description	Schema
command <i>required</i>	the command where this scheduling info is for	Command
days <i>optional</i>	value between 0 and 127, representing 7 bits each bit correspond to a day in the order: sun mon tues web thurs fri sat Minimum value : 0 Maximum value : 127 Example : 120	integer (int64)
id <i>required</i>	the identifier for the schedule in the database Example : 75	integer (int64)
time <i>optional</i>	the time of day the command shall be executed Example : "13:50"	string (time)
updateAt <i>optional</i>	time of creation/last updating	string (date-time)



User

Name	Description	Schema
email <i>required</i>	the user email used in login Example : "reem.brain@gmail.com"	string (email)
id <i>required</i>	the identifier for the user in the database Example : 1	integer (int64)
password <i>required</i>	user password for verification Example : "Big_s3cret"	string
updateAt <i>optional</i>	time of creation/last updating	string (date-time)