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DISTRIBUTED SYSTEMS

Assignment 1

Request-Reply Communication Paradigm

A1.2: Web app using Request – Reply

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1. Requirements

Design, implement and test a three-tiered distributed system to view and post flights for an airport. The system consists of the following tiers: Presentation, Business Layer and Data Access.

1.1. Functional requirements:

➢ Users log in. Users are redirected to the page corresponding to their role.
➢ Client role
  o A client can view on his/her page all the flights in a list or table.
  o A client can query for the local time of the flight arrival and departure cities computed based on cities geographical coordinates.
➢ Administrator role
  o The administrator can perform CRUD operations on flights (Create, Read, Update and Delete)
➢ Each flight consists of the following information: flight number, airplane type, departure city, departure date and hour, arrival city, arrival date and hour.
➢ Each city has associated its geographical coordinates: latitude and longitude.
➢ In order to display the local time, the geographical coordinates of the city are passed to an external web service (e.g. http://new.earthtools.org/webservices.htm) which will return the actual time value.
➢ The simple users will not be able to enter the administrator page (e.g. by log-in and then copy-paste the admin URL to the browser)

1.2. Implementation technologies:

➢ Use the following technologies: HTML, Java Servlets and Hibernate ORM.

1.3. Non-functional requirements:

➢ Security: use authentication in order to restrict users to access the administrator pages (cookies, session, etc.)

2. Deliverables

➢ A solution description document (about 4 pages, Times New Roman, 10pt, Single Spacing) containing:
  a) Conceptual architecture of the distributed system.
  b) DB design.
  c) UML Deployment diagram.
  d) Readme file containing build and execution considerations.
➢ Source files. The source files will be uploaded on the personal *bitbucket* account created at the *Lab resources* laboratory work)

3. Evaluation

3.1.   Assignment Related Basic Questions:

During project evaluation and grading you will be asked details about the following topics:

- ➢ URI and URL
- ➢ Web Clients and Web Servers
- ➢ HTTP protocol
- ➢ GET and POST HTTP methods
- ➢ HTML web forms
- ➢ Query strings
- ➢ Hidden variables
- ➢ Cookies
- ➢ Session
- ➢ Java Servlet
- ➢ Object-Relational Mapping (ORM)

3.2.   Grading

The assignment will be graded as follows:

Points	Requirements
5 p	**Minimum to pass** • HTML page for presentation, Servlets for business logic and Hibernate for data access • Database • Documentation • Correct answers to 3.1 questions
1 p	Log-in with redirect (admin/users)
1 p	Call external web service
1p	Minimum Security: The simple users will not be able to enter the administrator page
2p	Answers of Reinforcement Learning Questions of A1.1

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   b. http://www.tutorialspoint.com/servlets/
   c. http://www.javatpoint.com/servlet-tutorial
   d. http://www.javacodegeeks.com/2014/12/java-servlet-tutorial.html
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Further reading:

- JSF and JSP vs Servlets
  - http://www.tutorialspoint.com/jsp/
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