Frameworks

Frontend

- Angular 10

Backend

- Flask (uwsgi)

Database

- MongoDB

Hosting

- AWS - EC2 + SSH

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Design

- client states:
 - not connected (NC)
 - in queue (Q)
 - connected (C)
- transitions:
 - NC -> Q: client makes API request to get placed in queue, establishes WS connection to be notified when queue over
 - Q -> C: server notifies client that queue is over, and primes client for receiving messages
 - C -> NC: client clicks "leave" or closes tab
 - NC -> C: not allowed
- protocols
 - RTC: socket.io
 - sockets used for client updates from server only
- rtc events
 - socket.io actually handles a lot of metadata
 - S->C: queue complete
 - S->C: message receive/liked message
- restful events
 - join queue
 - message create
 - disconnect
- message objects
 - server generated
 - id
 - room id
 - author id
 - timestamp
 - client provided
 - nonce (for send parity)
 - message content

API Implementation

- REST
 - auth
 - POST /auth
 - return: client_id, client_secret
 - request queue
 - POST /queue
 - Authorization: secret
 - {queueType: vent | listen | talk} (eventually)
 - send message
 - like message
 - POST /likes
 - {message_id, secret}
 - report conversation
 - POST /reports
 - {reason, secret}
 - "user reported other user in room for given reason"
- WS (client -> server)
 - HELLO
 - (secret) associate SID with user
 - join room (?)
 - emit('joinRoom', user id: string, secret: int)
 - disconnect (?)
 - (user id, secret)
- WS (server -> client)
 - notify queue
 - "queue complete"
 - {user id: string}
 - relay connection
 - "user connected" | "user disconnected"
 - <NODATA>
 - relay message
 - "message"
 - {room_id: string, nonce: string, content: string, id: string, timestamp: datetime}
 - relay message
 - "message_liked"
 - {message_id: string, user_id: string}
 - listen for disconnect

- "disconnect"
- <NO DATA>
- DB
- collections
 - user_collection
 - ip
 - client id
 - client secret
 - is in queue
 - queue type
 - entered queue at
 - messages
 - see message schema below
 - rooms
 - id (use mongo built in _id?)
 - users (some user identifier)
- generate auth
 - user_collection.insert_one(...)
- enter queue
 - users.update many(...)
- exit queue
 - scheduled routine
 - when there is a match
 - get two
 - remove from queue (users.update many(...))
 - and create a room (rooms.insert_one())
 - and broadcast hey you two get a room
- join room
 - room.update(push that user into users)
- send message
 - generate timestamp, id, author id
 - messages.insert(...)
- leave room (optional)
 - room.update(users pull user)

Data Structures

- message objects
 - server generated
 - id
 - author id
 - timestamp

- client provided
 - room id
 - nonce (for send parity)
 - message content
- system message objects (user connected/disconnected)
- user objects
- room objects
- report objects
 - _id (autogenerated)
 - reason
 - reporting user id
 - reported user id
 - room id of conversation

FE -> FE services -(REST)> Backened/Database -(WS)> FE services -> FE