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Digital Twin Basic Programming using NGSI-LD

CRUD, Registrations, Subscriptions

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Useful links

What is JSON-LD:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vioCbTo3C-4

JSON-LD Core Markup:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UmvWk TQ30A

Compaction and Expansion:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Tm3fD89dqRE

JSON-LD Playground & examples

https://json-ld.org/playground/



Linked Context Data: NGSI v2 to NGSI-LD

From: https://fiware-datamodels.readthedocs.io/en/latest/ngsi-ld_faq/index.html

 NGSI-LD is an evolution of the FIWARE NGSI v2 information model, and has been updated/improved to support linked data (entity relationships), property graphs and semantics (exploiting the capabilities offered by JSON-LD). This work has been conducted under the ETSI ISG Context Information Management initiative.

```
"@context": [
    "https://fiware.github.io/data-models/context.jsonld",
    "https://uri.etsi.org/ngsi-ld/v1/ngsi-ld-core-context.jsonld"
],
    "id": "http://dbpedia.org/resource/John_Lennon",
    "type": "Person",
    "name": {"type": "Property", "value": "John Lennon"},
    "born": {"type": "Property", "value": "1940-10-09"},
    "spouse": {"type": "Relationship", "object": "http://dbpedia.org/resource/Cynthia_Lennon" }
}
```

- Creating proper machine-readable Linked Data is fundamental to NGSI-LD.
- NGSI-LD Payloads are valid JSON-LD



What is Core @context?

```
"ngsi-ld": "https://uri.etsi.org/ngsi-ld/",
"geojson": "https://purl.org/geojson/vocab#",
"id": "@id",
"type": "@type",
"Date": "ngsi-ld:Date",
"DateTime": "ngsi-ld:DateTime",
"Feature": "geojson:Feature",
"FeatureCollection": "geojson:FeatureCollection",
"GeometryCollection": "geojson:GeometryCollection",
"LineString": "geojson:LineString",
"MultiLineString": "geojson:MultiLineString",
"MultiPoint": "geojson:MultiPoint",
"MultiPolygon": "geojson:MultiPolygon",
"Point": "geojson:Point",
"Polygon": "geojson:Polygon",
"GeoProperty": "ngsi-ld:GeoProperty",
"Property": "ngsi-ld:Property",
"Relationship": "ngsi-ld:Relationship",
"ContextSourceNotification": "ngsi-ld:ContextSourceNotification",
"ContextSourceRegistration": "ngsi-ld:ContextSourceRegistration",
"Notification": "ngsi-ld:Notification",
"Subscription": "ngsi-ld:Subscription",
... etc
```

```
"coordinates": {
   "@container": "@list",
  "@id": "geojson:coordinates"
},
"temporalQ": "ngsi-ld:temporalQ",
"throttling": "ngsi-ld:throttling",
"observedAt": {
   "@id": "ngsi-ld:observedAt",
   "@type": "DateTime"
},
"timeInterval": "ngsi-ld:timeInterval",
"unitCode": "ngsi-ld:unitCode",
"value": "ngsi-ld:hasValue",
"values": {
  "@id": "ngsi-ld:hasValues",
  "@container": "@list"
},
... etc
"@vocab": "https://uri.etsi.org/ngsi-ld/default-context/"
```



NGSI-LD: Evolution not Revolution

NGSI v2

- Well defined REST API for context data using JSON payloads.
 GET, POST and other HTTP verbs do the things you expect
- CRUD operations -/v2/entities endpoint
- Augment your context data -/v2/registrations endpoint
- Push context data to other services -/v2/subscriptions endpoint

NGSI-LD

- Well defined REST API for context data using JSON and JSON-LD payloads.
 GET, POST and other HTTP verbs do the things you expect
- CRUD operations -/ngsi-ld/v1/entities endpoint
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- Push context data to other services -/ngsi-ld/v1/subscriptions endpoint



Demo: NGSI-LD - Properties





NGSI-LD Properties: Creating an Entity

NGSI v2

```
curl -iX POST 'http://localhost:1026/v2/entities' \
 -H 'Content-Type: application/json' \
 -d '{
   "type": "Store", "id": "store001",
   "category": { "type": "Array", "value": ["commercial"]},
   "address": { "type": "PostalAddress", "value": {
        "streetAddress": "Bornholmer Straße 65",
       "addressRegion": "Berlin",
       "addressLocality": "Prenzlauer Berg",
       "postalCode": "10439"
     "metadata": {
       "verified": { "type": "Boolean", "value": true}
  "location": {"type": "geo:json",
     "value": {"type": "Point", "coordinates": [13.3986, 52.5547]}
  "name": {"type": "Text", "value": "Bösebrücke Einkauf"}
```

NGSI-LD

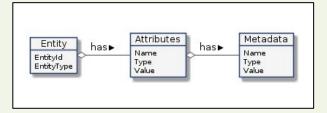
```
curl -iX POST http://localhost:1026/ngsi-ld/v1/entities \
-H 'Content-Type: application/ld+json' \
 -d '{
  "type": "Building", "id": "urn:ngsi-ld:Building:store001",
  "category": { "type": "VocabProperty", "vocab": ["commercial"]},
  "address": { "type": "Property"," value": {
       "streetAddress": "Bornholmer Straße 65",
       "addressRegion": "Berlin",
       "addressLocality": "Prenzlauer Berg",
       "postalCode": "10439"
     "verified": { "type": "Property", "value": true }
  "location": { "type": "GeoProperty",
     "value": { "type": "Point", "coordinates": [13.3986, 52.5547]}
  "name": { "type": "Property", "value": "Bösebrücke Einkauf" },
  "@context": [
     "https://fiware.github.io/data-models/context.jsonId",
     "https://uri.etsi.org/ngsi-ld/v1/ngsi-ld-core-context.jsonId"
```



NGSI-LD Properties: Data Model

The NGSI LD data model is more complex; the definitions of use are more rigid which lead to a navigable knowledge graph.

NGSI v2

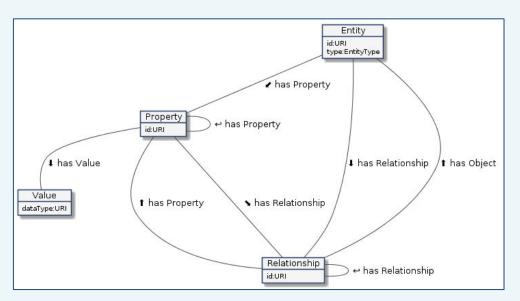


- Entities
- Attributes
- MetaData

NGSI-LD

- Entities
- Properties
- Relationships
- Values

plus ...



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etc...



NGSI-LD Properties: Data Model

| The Entity | Example | Notes |
|---|--|--|
| Has an id | urn:ngsi-ld:Building:store001 | URI/URN. id must be unique. |
| Has a type . | https://uri.fiware.org/ns/data-models#Building | Fully qualified URI of a well defined data model Short-hand strings for types, mapped to fully qualified URIs through the JSON-LD @context. |
| Has a series of properties | name, address, category etc. | This can be expanded into http://schema.org/address, which is known as a fully qualified name (FQN). |
| Has a series of properties-of-properties | a verified field for the address | This is the equivalent of NGSI v2 metadata |
| Has a series of relationships | managedBy | The object corresponds to the URI/URN of another data entity. Equivalent of NGSI v2 refxxx |
| Has a series of properties-of-relationships | managedBy.since | Holds additional information about a relationship. This is the equivalent of metadata about a refxxx property |
| Has a series of relationships | managedBy.subordinateTo | holds the URI/URN of another relationship. |



NGSI-LD Properties: Reading Entity Data as JSON-LD

NGSI-LD

```
curl -G -X GET \
'http://localhost:1026/ngsi-ld/v1/entities' \
-H 'Link: <https://fiware.github.io/data-models/context.jsonId>;
rel="http://www.w3.org/ns/json-ld#context";
type="application/ld+json" \
-H 'Accept: application/ld+json' \
-d 'type=Building' \
-d 'options=keyValues'
```

- Response is just a JSON payload plus an @context
- @context can be passed either in the Link header or the payload body:
 - Accept: application/ld+json to include the @context as a JSON attribute
 - Accept: application/json returns plain old
 JSON objects @context is passed as a Link header

```
"@context": "https://fiware.github.io/data-models/context.jsonId",
"id": "urn:ngsi-ld:Building:store001", "type": "Building",
"address": {
  "streetAddress": "Bornholmer Straße 65",
  "addressRegion": "Berlin",
  "addressLocality": "Prenzlauer Berg",
  "postalCode": "10439"
"name": "Bösebrücke Einkauf",
"category": "commercial",
"location": {
  "type": "Point", "coordinates": [13.3986, 52.5547]
```



NGSI-LD Properties: What to call a location?

```
"location": {
    "type": "GeoProperty",
    "value": {
        "type": "Point",
        "coordinates": [13.3986, 52.5547]}
    }
}
```

- place ?
- locatedAt ?
- geocoordinate ?
- geocoordinates?

- ubicación ?
- standort ?
- 置き場所 ?
- location ✓

```
NGSI-LD core @context
"@context": {
  "ngsi-ld": "https://uri.etsi.org/ngsi-ld/",
  "geojson": "https://purl.org/geojson/vocab#",
  "id": "@id",
  "type": "@type",
  "value": "ngsi-ld:hasValue",
... etc.
  "GeoProperty": "ngsi-ld:GeoProperty",
  "Point": "geojson:Point",
  "coordinates": {
     "@container": "@list",
      "@id": "geojson:coordinates"
  "location": "https://uri.etsi.org/ngsi-ld/location",
... etc.
```

With NGSI-LD core @context a location is always https://uri.etsi.org/ngsi-ld/location
Thereafter, with JSON-LD you may map your preferred short name if necessary



NGSI-LD Relationships: Traversing Edge Nodes

Creating proper machine-readable Linked Data is **fundamental** to NGSI-LD.

From: https://www.w3.org/TR/json-ld/#dfn-graph

A JSON-LD document serializes a dataset which is a collection of graphs A graph is a labeled directed graph, i.e., a set of nodes connected by edges.

In NGSI-LD:

- Node = NGSI Entity
- Edge = A relationship attribute linking two NGSI Entities

Therefore NGSI Linked Data relies on three separate definitions:

- 1. A definition that a particular attribute within an NGSI entity really represents a link
- 2. A machine readable definition of that link in the Data Model (i.e. the @context)
- 3. A machine readable definition of the set of all types of links available (the @graph)



NGSI-LD Relationships: 1. Creating Entities

Relationship Links within an NGSI Entity are formally defined using:

```
"type": "Relationship" OR "@type": "https://uri.etsi.org/ngsi-ld/Relationship"
```

The attribute of the linked entity is an object rather than a value

```
curl -X POST \
http://localhost:1026/ngsi-Id/v1/entities/urn:ngsi-Id:Shelf:unit001/attrs \
-H 'Content-Type: application/Id+json' \
-H 'fiware-servicepath: /' \
-d '{
    "stocks": { "type": "Relationship","object": "urn:ngsi-Id:Product:001"},
    "numberOfltems": {"type": "Property","value": 50},
    "locatedIn": {
        "type": "Relationship", "object": "urn:ngsi-Id:Building:store001",
        "requestedBy": {"type": "Relationship","object": "urn:ngsi-Id:Person:bob-the-manager"},
        "installedBy": {"type": "Relationship","object": "urn:ngsi-Id:Person:employee001"},
        "statusOfWork": {"type": "Property","value": "completed"}
    },
    "@context": "https://fiware.github.io/tutorials.Step-by-Step/tutorials-context.jsonId"
}'
```



NGSI-LD Relationships: 2. Machine Readable Data Models

For the simplified JSON-LD output, relationship links within the @context can be formally defined using: "@type": "@id"

```
FIWARE Data Models @context
    "@context": {
       "tutorial": "https://fiware.github.io/tutorials.Step-by-Step/schema/",
      "Product": "tutorial:Product",
       "Shelf": "tutorial:Shelf",
     ...etc
       "installedBy": {
        "@id": "tutorial:installedBy",
        "@type": "@id"
       "requestedBy": {
        "@id": "tutorial:requestedBy",
        "@tvpe": "@id"
      },
     ...etc
```



NGSI-LD Relationships: 3. Machine Readable Links

```
FIWARE Data Models @graph
"@graph": [
    "@id": "tutorial:Product",
    "@type": "rdfs:Class",
    "rdfs:comment": [
        {"@language": "en", "@value": "Product is sold in a Store."},
        {"@language": "ja", "@value": "製品はストアで販売されている物"}],
    "rdfs:label": [{"@language": "en", "@value": "Product"}, {"@language": "ja", "@value": "製品"}],
    "rdfs:subClassOf": {"@id": "http://schema.org/Thing"}
... etc
    "@id": "tutorial:requestedBy",
    "@type": "https://uri.etsi.org/ngsi-ld/Relationship",
    "schema:domainIncludes": [{"@id": "tutorial:Shelf"}, {"@id": "tutorial:StockOrder"}],
    "schema:rangeIncludes": [{"@id": "schema:Person"}],
    "rdfs:comment": [
        {"@language": "en", "@value": "Object requested by person."},
        {"@language": "ja","@value": "人が要求したオブジェクト"}],
    "rdfs:label": [{"@language": "en", "@value": "requested by"},{"@language": "ja", "@value": "要求者"}]
 },
```



Demo: NGSI-LD - Relationships





NGSI-LD Subscriptions: Creating a Subscription

NGSI-LD

```
curl -L -X POST 'http://localhost:1026/ngsi-ld/v1/subscriptions/' \
-H 'Content-Type: application/ld+json' \
--data-raw '{
  "description": "Notify me of low stock in Store 001",
  "type": "Subscription",
  "entities": [{"type": "Shelf"}],
  "watchedAttributes": ["numberOfItems"],
  "q": "numberOfItems<10;locatedIn==urn:ngsi-ld:Building:store001",
  "notification": {
     "attributes": [ "numberOfItems", "stocks", "locatedIn"],
     "format": "keyValues",
     "endpoint": {
       "uri": "http://tutorial:3000/subscription/low-stock-store001",
       "accept": "application/json"
  "@context":
  "https://fiware.github.io/tutorials.Step-by-Step/tutorials-context.jsonId"
```

Sample Key-Values Payload

```
{
    "id": "urn:ngsi-ld:Notification:60812d06f2ebd727e1c425a8",
    "type": "Notification",
    "subscriptionId":
        "urn:ngsi-ld:Subscription:60812c7bf2ebd727e1c425a4",
    "notifiedAt": "2021-04-22T08:00:06.741Z",
    "data": [
        {
            "id": "urn:ngsi-ld:Shelf:unit001",
            "type": "Shelf",
            "locatedIn": "urn:ngsi-ld:Building:store001",
            "numberOfItems": 8,
            "stocks": "urn:ngsi-ld:Product:001"
        }
        ]
        ]
        ]
    }
```



NGSI-LD Registrations: Creating a Registration

NGSI LD

```
curl -L -X POST 'http://localhost:1026/ngsi-ld/v1/csourceRegistrations/' \
-H 'Content-Type: application/json' \
-H 'Link: <a href="https://fiware.github.io/tutorials.Step-by-Step/tutorials-context.jsonld">-H 'Link: <a href="https://fiware.github.io/tutorials-context.jsonld">-H 'Link: <a href="https://fiware.github.io/tutorials-context.jso
          rel="http://www.w3.org/ns/json-ld#context"; type="application/ld+json" \
--data-raw '{
            "type": "ContextSourceRegistration",
            "information": [
                                 "entities": [
                                           {"type": "Building", "id": "urn:ngsi-ld:Building:store001"}
                                   "propertyNames": [ "tweets"]
            "contextSourceInfo":[
                     {"key": "jsonIdContext", "value": ".../tutorials-context.jsonId"}
            "mode": "exclusive".
           "operations": [ "updateOps", "retrieveOps"],
           "endpoint": "http://tutorial:3000/static/tweets"
```

Since 1.3.1, properties has been replaced with two separate attributes - propertyNames and relationshipNames - this change has been made in order to offer full GeoJSON-LD support.

In 1.6.1 four different modes of Registration are now defined. inclusive, exclusive, redirect, auxiliary

The default registration mode for NGSI-LD is inclusive e.g. **Federations**. This differs from NGSI-v2 where only one registration mode needs to be supported - an equivalent to exclusive

1.6.1 also groups operations into groups e.g. federationOps, retrieveOps

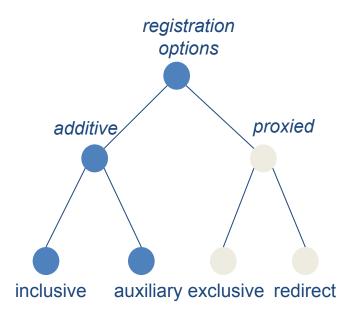


NGSI-LD Registrations: Distributed Operation Modes (1)

Additive Registrations

A Context Broker <u>is permitted</u> to hold context data about the Entities and Attributes locally itself, and also obtain data from (possibly multiple) external sources.

- An **inclusive** Context Source Registration specifies that the Context Broker considers all registered Context Sources as equals and will distribute operations to those Context Sources even if relevant context data is available directly within the Context Broker itself (in which case, all results will be integrated in the final response). This federative and is the default mode of operation.
- An **auxiliary** Context Source Registration never overrides data held directly within a Context Broker. Auxiliary distributed operations are limited to context information consumption operations (i.e. entity GET operations). Context data from auxiliary context sources is only included if it is supplementary to the context data otherwise available to the Context Broker.



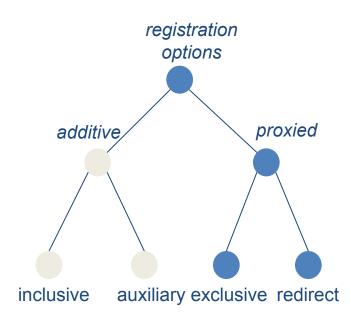


NGSI-LD Registrations: Distributed Operation Modes (2)

Proxied Registrations

A Context Broker is **not permitted** to hold context data about the Entities and Attributes locally itself. All context data is obtained from the external registered sources.

- An exclusive Context Source Registration specifies that all of the registered context data is held in a single location external to the Context Broker. The Context Broker itself holds no data locally about the registered Attributes and no overlapping proxied Context Source Registrations shall be supported for the same combination of registered Attributes on the Entity.
 - An exclusive registration **must be fully specified**. It always relates to specific Attributes found on a single Entity. It can be used for actuations
- A redirect Context Source Registration also specifies that the registered context data is held in a location external to the *Context Broker*, but potentially multiple distinct redirect registrations can apply at the same time.





Demo: NGSI-LD - Subscriptions and Registrations

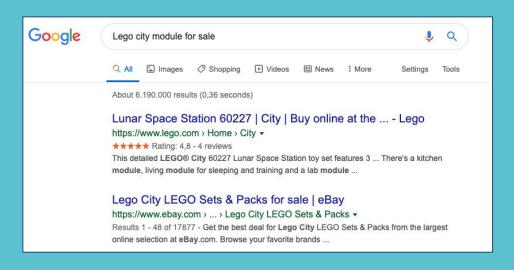




Context Data as Linked Data - How does it help? Data Sharing

Rich Text Snippets

Standard schema.org/Product data model marked up as JSON-LD on the web. Interpreted by third parties. Search Engine can display product rating on screen. System "knows" if a product is out of stock.





NGSI-LD Supermarket Tutorial

Third party ARV could "know" when a shelf needs filling and retrieve goods from the warehouse

No need to reprogram for new customers if data follows the **fiware.org/ns/data-models**, or the JSON-LD can be converted to do so.



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