
Smart Pots

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Smart Pots is an IoT project implementing remote care for a potted plant, through sensors and robotics which monitor its state.



Please refer to [Installation](#) to get started with using Smart Pots.

Once you've [installed Smart Pots](#), we recommend reading the [tutorial](#).

For a complete list of features, see [features](#).

The code can be found on GitHub at [Shest-Programmistov/Smart-Pots](#). Data has been taken from [IoTsec/Room-Climate-Datasets](#).

TOOLS USED

- For the HTTP connection, we are using the [Flask](#) library.
- For the MQTT connection, the [Flask-MQTT extension](#) is used. Also, for mocking the MQTT subscriber, [paho-mqtt](#) is used.
- The database is built using [SQLite](#) - a fully open-source RDBMS.

1.1 Installation

1.1.1 Prerequisites

Precondition [python3](#) and [pip3](#) are installed. Also, you should have an MQTT Broker installed.

Mosquitto MQTT Broker Installation

For installing Mosquitto MQTT Broker, go to their [official website](#) and download and install the Mosquitto Broker for your OS.

For Ubuntu/Debian:

Run:

```
sudo apt-get install mosquitto
```

To check whether the service is running or not and to start it, run:

```
sudo systemctl status mosquitto # Checking if the service is running  
sudo systemctl start mosquitto # Start the service
```

For Mac:

Install Mosquitto on Mac OS using Homebrew:

```
brew install mosquitto
```

1.1.2 Installation

1. Install virtualenv if not already installed:

On Linux, run:

```
sudo pip3 install virtualenv
```

2. Create a new virtual environment:

```
cd Smart-Pots/  
virtualenv .venv
```

Note: Use `.venv` or any `$NAME` for your virtualenv.

3. Activate the environment:

```
source .venv/bin/activate
```

and you should see your `.venv` activated

```
(.venv) ~/Smart-Pots$
```

Note: To deactivate the environment, simply use `deactivate`.

4. Install the required libraries:

```
pip3 install -r requirements.txt
```

5. To switch Flask to the development environment and enable debug mode, set `FLASK_ENV`:

```
export FLASK_ENV=development
```

6. Initialize (or reinitialize) database:

```
flask init-db
```

1.2 Tutorial

First, refer to [Installation](#) for setting up Smart Pots. After having installed successfully the requirements, follow the next steps:

1.2.1 Running on Linux

1. **Start the MQTT Broker service.** The Broker represents an intermediary entity that enables the MQTT clients to communicate.

If Mosquitto is used, run:

```
sudo service mosquitto start
```

To test if it is running use the *netstat -at* command. You should see the Mosquitto broker running on port 1883.

To stop the service, use *sudo service mosquitto stop*.

2. Running the application. The proper way to run the application is:

```
python3 app.py
```

This way, we make sure that SocketIO is used, as Flask is wrapped in SocketIO.

Note: To only run the Flask app (no MQTT communication), just use:

```
flask run
```

[Optional] 3. Run the MQTT subscriber to check that data is successfully received.

```
python3 mqtt_comms_sub.py
```

1.2.2 Testing

To run the tests, simply execute:

```
pytest
```

To measure the code coverage, run:

```
coverage run -m pytest
```

and then use coverage report to report on the results:

```
coverage report -m
```

For a nicer presentation, use *coverage html* to get annotated HTML listings detailing missed lines.

1.2.3 Developer Tools

OpenAPI

We used the [OpenAPI Initiative \(OAI\)](#) to specify what our API can do.

The Swagger API can be accessed at:

```
http://127.0.0.1:5000/api/docs
```

AsyncAPI

The [AsyncAPI Specification](#) is a comprehensive specification language for describing asynchronous messaging APIs. If AsyncAPI Generator is not installed, you can install it by running:

```
npm install -g @asyncapi/generator
```

Then, run:

```
ag water.yml @asyncapi/html-template -o output
```

1.3 Features

1.3.1 Authentication

Authentication is integrated so that the Smart Pot functionalities are available only with logging-in in advance.

`http_routes.auth.login()`

Logs in a user. — parameters:

- in: body name: body schema:

required:

- username
- password

properties:

username: type: string description: the login name for the user

password: type: string description: the password for the user

responses:

200: description: user logged in succesfully.

403: description: there is no user with that username and password.

422: description: required parameters not supplied.

`http_routes.auth.logout()`

Logs out the current user. — responses:

200: description: user logged out succesfully.

403: description: user is not authenticated.

`http_routes.auth.register()`

Registers a new user. — parameters:

- in: body name: body schema:

required:

- username
- password

properties:

username: type: string description: the login name for the new user

password: type: string description: the password for the new user

responses:

200: description: user registered succesfully.

403: description: there is already an user with that username

422: description: required parameters not supplied.

1.3.2 Plant Characteristics Setting

Manages setting the plant species, as the needed amount of water differs based on the plant.

`http_routes.characteristics.set()`

Sets the characteristics of the plant. — parameters:

- in: body name: body schema:

required:

- ideal_humidity
- ideal_temperature

properties:

ideal_humidity: type: number description: the ideal humidity for the plant

ideal_temperature: type: number description: the ideal temperature for the plant

responses:

200: description: everything went fine.

403: description: user is not authenticated.

422: description: required parameters not supplied.

1.3.3 Temperature Monitoring

Temperature endpoint

`http_routes.temperature.set()`

Sets the temperature level. — parameters:

- in: body name: body schema:

required:

- degrees

properties:

degrees: type: number description: the number of degrees to set to

responses:

200: description: everything went fine.

403: description: user is not authenticated.

422: description: degrees not supplied.

1.3.4 Humidity Monitoring

Humidity endpoint

`http_routes.humidity.set()`

Sets the humidity level. — parameters:

- in: body name: body schema:

required:

- value

properties:

value: type: number description: the humidity level

responses:

200: description: everything went fine.

403: description: user is not authenticated.

422: description: value not supplied.

1.3.5 Manual Watering

Smart Pots also provides a manual watering functionality.

Endpoint `force_water` - when called, proceeds to water the plant with a specified value/ amount of water.

`http_routes.force_water.force_water()`

Waters the plant immediately. — parameters:

- in: body name: body schema:

required:

- value

properties:

value: type: number description: the quantity of water

responses:

200: description: everything went fine.

403: description: user is not authenticated.

422: description: value not supplied.

1.3.6 Watering Statistics

Endpoint returning plot showing the watering history.

`http_routes.plot.plot()`

Plots the water quantities over the last week divided by hours. — responses:

200: description: everything went fine.

403: description: user is not authenticated.

`http_routes.plot.plot_humidity()`

Plots the humidity over the last week. — responses:

200: description: everything went fine.

403: description: user is not authenticated.

`http_routes.plot.plot_temperature()`

Plots the temperature over the last week. — responses:

200: description: everything went fine.

403: description: user is not authenticated.

1.3.7 Automatic Watering

The smart pot acts as the “publisher” - constantly broadcasting the amount of water that should be provided to the plant.

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