

Graded Assignment on MERN Application with Grafana and Prometheus

Step 1. MERN Application Setup:-

- Clone the below github repository GitHub repository:-
git clone <https://github.com/UnpredictablePrashant/TravelMemory.git>

```
HP@LAPTOP-JRN3DQ80 MINGW64 /c/Gke-mern-deployment/Mern-promethius and graffana
$ git clone https://github.com/UnpredictablePrashant/TravelMemory.git
Cloning into 'TravelMemory'...
remote: Enumerating objects: 116, done.
remote: Counting objects: 100% (64/64), done.
remote: Compressing objects: 100% (49/49), done.
remote: Total 116 (delta 27), reused 23 (delta 15), pack-reused 52 (from 1)
Receiving objects: 100% (116/116), 198.32 KiB | 137.00 KiB/s, done.
Resolving deltas: 100% (37/37), done.
```

Step 2: Install Dependencies: -

- Navigate to the frontend/ and backend/ folders, and install dependencies: -

```
HP@LAPTOP-JRN3DQ80 MINGW64 /c/Gke-mern-deployment/Mern-promethius and graffana/TravelMemory/frontend (main)
$ npm install
npm warn deprecated stable@0.1.8: Modern JS already guarantees Array#sort() is a stable sort, so this library is deprecated. See the compatibility table on MDN: https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global_Objects/Array/sort#browser_compatibility
npm warn deprecated rollup-plugin-terser@7.0.2: This package has been deprecated and is no longer maintained. Please use @rollup/plugin-terser
npm warn deprecated sourcemap-codec@1.4.8: Please use @jridgewell/sourcemap-codec instead
npm warn deprecated w3c-hr-time@1.0.2: Use your platform's native performance.now() and performance.timeOrigin.
npm warn deprecated workbox-cacheable-response@6.6.0: workbox-background-sync@6.6.0
npm warn deprecated svgo@1.3.2: This SVGO version is no longer supported. Upgrade to v2.x.x.

added 1504 packages, and audited 1505 packages in 29s

236 packages are looking for funding
  run `npm fund` for details

27 vulnerabilities (1 low, 10 moderate, 15 high, 1 critical)

To address issues that do not require attention, run:
  npm audit fix

To address all issues (including breaking changes), run:
  npm audit fix --force

Run `npm audit` for details.
```

- For backend

```
HP@LAPTOP-JRN3DQ80 MINGW64 /c/Gke-mern-deployment/Mern-promethius and graffana/TravelMemory/backend (main)
$ npm install

added 117 packages, and audited 118 packages in 3s

13 packages are looking for funding
  run `npm fund` for details

13 vulnerabilities (1 low, 3 moderate, 8 high, 1 critical)

To address issues that do not require attention, run:
  npm audit fix

To address all issues (including breaking changes), run:
  npm audit fix --force

Run `npm audit` for details.
```

Step 3: Set up environment variables as below: -

```
GNU nano 7.2 .env
MONGO_URI='mongodb+srv://Rajpreetmongo:rajeemongo@cluster0.umhetht.mongodb.net/mernprofileservice'
PORT=3001
```

Create a .env file in both backend directories with necessary environment variables (e.g., MongoDB connection string, its port ,etc).

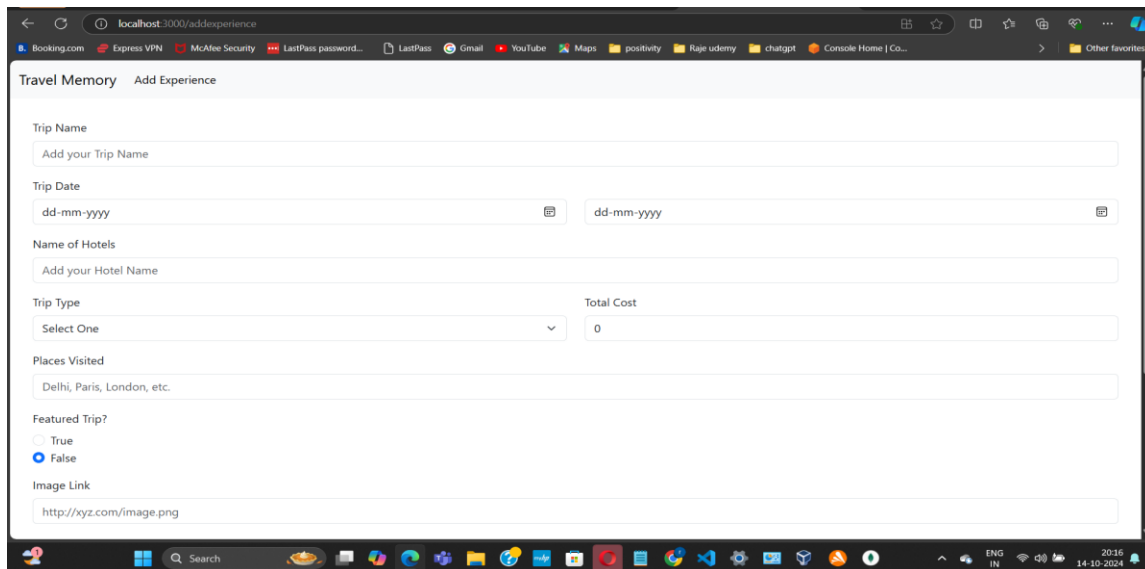
Step 5: Run the MERN application: -

Open two terminals: one for the frontend and one for the backend.

```
HP@LAPTOP-JRN3DQ80 MINGW64 /c/Gke-mern-deployment/Mern-promethius and graffana/TravelMemory/backend (main)
$ node index.js
Server started at http://localhost:3001
```

For frontend: -

You need to hit npm start in the frontend directory of the project.



Step6. Integrate Prometheus for Node.js Backend Metrics.

2. Integrate Prometheus for Node.js Backend Metrics: -

Step 1: Install Prometheus client library

In the backend, install the Prometheus client for Node.js. By hitting below command “npm install prom-client”.

```
HP@LAPTOP-JRN3DQ80 MINGW64 /c/Gke-mern-deployment/Mern-prometheus and grafana/TravelMemory/backend (main)
$ npm install prom-client

added 4 packages, and audited 122 packages in 5s

13 packages are looking for funding
  run `npm fund` for details
```

- Step 2: Expose Prometheus metrics

In your backend/server.js, import the prom-client package and expose metrics like API response times, request counts, and error rates.

```
GNU nano 7.2 index.js
const express = require('express');
const cors = require('cors');
const promClient = require('prom-client'); // Prometheus client library
require('dotenv').config();

const app = express();
const PORT = process.env.PORT;
const conn = require('./conn');
app.use(express.json());
app.use(cors());

const tripRoutes = require('./routes/trip.routes');

// Prometheus metrics collection
const register = new promClient.Registry(); // Create a new registry for custom metrics
// HTTP request duration metric (histogram)
const httpRequestDurationMicroseconds = new promClient.Histogram({
  name: 'http_request_duration_ms',
  help: 'Duration of HTTP requests in ms',
  labelNames: ['method', 'route', 'code'], // Labels for identifying metrics
  buckets: [50, 100, 200, 500, 1000], // Define buckets for response times
});
```

- Step 3: Set up MongoDB monitoring

Use MongoDB Exporter to monitor the database.

- Install MongoDB Exporter:

“docker run -d --name mongodb_exporter -p 9216:9216 bitnami/mongodb-exporter”

- Configure Prometheus to scrape MongoDB metrics.

- Step 4: Configure Prometheus: -

Set up a prometheus.yml configuration file to scrape your Node.js backend and MongoDB exporter.

```
GNU nano 7.2 prometheus.yml
global:
  scrape_interval: 15s # How often Prometheus will scrape the metrics (adjust as needed)

scrape_configs:
  - job_name: 'backend_metrics' # Name of your job
    metrics_path: '/metrics' # Path where metrics are exposed (default is /metrics)
    static_configs:
      - targets: ['localhost:3001'] # The backend service URL (adjust if running elsewhere)
```

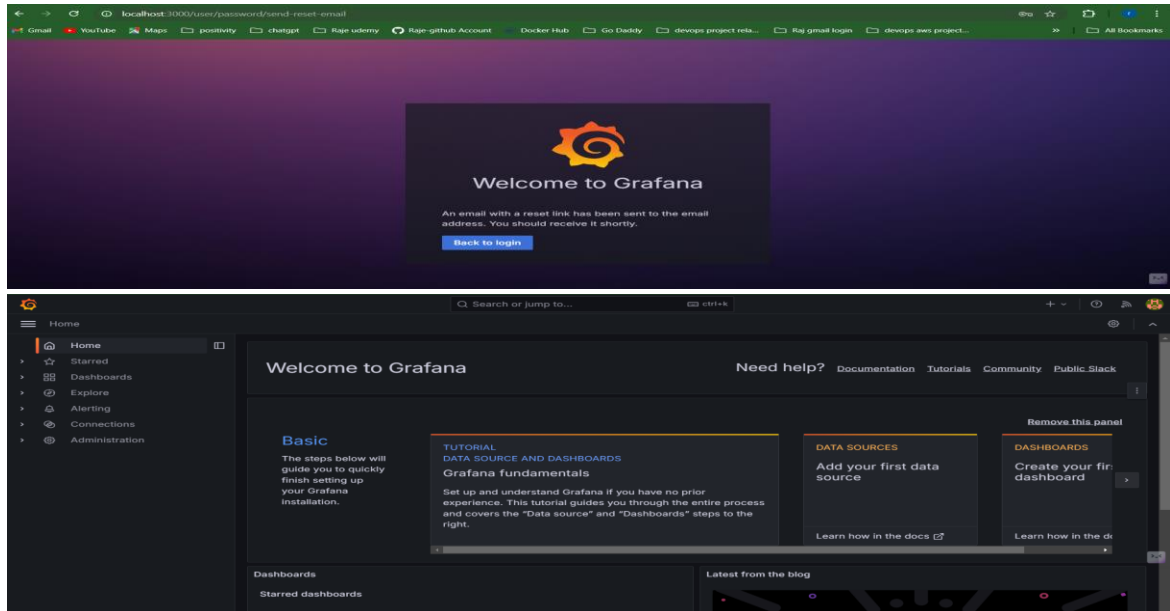
3. Enhance Grafana Dashboards

Step 1: Install and set up Grafana

Install Grafana and configure Prometheus as a data source.

```
HP@LAPTOP-JRN3DQ80 MINGW64 /c/Gke-mern-deployment/Mern-prometheus and grafana/TravelMemory/backend (main)
$ docker run -d --name=grafana -p 3000:3000 grafana/grafana
Unable to find image 'grafana/grafana:latest' locally
latest: Pulling from grafana/grafana
27a3c8ebdffb: Download complete
39aee5fd3406: Download complete
592f1e71407c: Download complete
ab3c28da242b: Download complete
bde37282dfba: Download complete
66aec874ce0c: Download complete
4abcf2066143: Download complete
ef2b3f3f597e: Download complete
b6982d0733af: Download complete
e4892977d944: Download complete
Digest: sha256:408afb9726de5122b00a2576763a8a57a3c86d5b0eff5305bc994ceb3eb96c3f
Status: Downloaded newer image for grafana/grafana:latest
041b9bb0b531879355a60c37a763b676dabed63b09693c41f2a060accdc7ae8ee
```

- Open Grafana UI at <http://localhost:3000>



Note:- you need to login as admin in username and password section you need to hit admin as well then you can change your password to your choice and proceed further.

- Step 3: Create Dashboards: -
- Create custom dashboards in Grafana for:
- **MongoDB health** (connections, memory usage, query time)
- **Frontend performance** (use Prometheus metrics if applicable)

4. Log Aggregation with Loki: -

- Step 1: Install Loki and Promtail

Use Loki for log aggregation.

```
HP@LAPTOP-JRN3DQ80 MINGW64 /c/Gke-mern-deployment/Mern-prometheus and grafana/TravelMemory/backend (main)
$ docker run -d --name=loki -p 3100:3100 grafana/loki:2.7.1
Unable to find image 'grafana/loki:2.7.1' locally
2.7.1: Pulling from grafana/loki
4624c9a20c87: Download complete
476d1aacbcf9: Download complete
5889a79d2ca2: Download complete
213ec9aee27d: Download complete
2a1b49b65c00: Download complete
b10017a0d09d: Download complete
0b0825e005dd: Download complete
Digest: sha256:262d91088fb8cc31d3a6a0591aea52f74fa448884c961e63abd35decd3570a88
Status: Downloaded newer image for grafana/loki:2.7.1
f951bd10c4bc9372d72a5965a04f0caf8709f165c9ef3721992823a538ea41bf
```

```
HP@LAPTOP-JRN3DQ80 MINGW64 /c/Gke-mern-deployment/Mern-prometheus and grafana/TravelMemory/backend (main)
$ docker run -d --name=promtail -p 9080:9080 grafana/promtail:2.7.1
Unable to find image 'grafana/promtail:2.7.1' locally
2.7.1: Pulling from grafana/promtail
d2d785a138bb: Download complete
025c56f98b67: Download complete
7018e3d57cbe: Download complete
0704b6e8cfb2: Download complete
0ccd6e7d847b: Download complete
6e6914193de4: Download complete
Digest: sha256:aa77333bb912b1017d35f16bd5d7fed191963d6cee78bc0bd0df0a56990a3e42
Status: Downloaded newer image for grafana/promtail:2.7.1
e5dfb0e5be3467d73f8f2abad7ff001402bd0b3ad27f0cbd13cf7fe31b6d6f049
```

Step 2: Configure Prom tail to collect logs:-

Create a promtail-config.yml file to scrape logs from your Node.js application.

- Step 3: Create Grafana Dashboard for logs
- Add Loki as a data source in Grafana.
- Create dashboards to visualize logs in Grafana.

5. Implement Distributed Tracing with Jaeger:-

- Step 1: Install Jaeger
- Run Jaeger as a Docker container.

```
docker run -d --name=jaeger -e COLLECTOR_ZIPKIN_HTTP_PORT=9411 -p
5775:5775/udp \
  -p 6831:6831/udp -p 6832:6832/udp -p 5778:5778 \
  -p 16686:16686 -p 14268:14268 -p 14250:14250 \
  -p 9411:9411 jaegertracing/all-in-one:1.32
```

```
HP@LAPTOP-JRN3DQ80 MINGW64 /c/Gke-mern-deployment/Mern-prometheus and grafana/TravelMemory/backend (main)
$ docker run -d --name=jaeger -e COLLECTOR_ZIPKIN_HTTP_PORT=9411 -p 5775:5775/udp \
-p 6831:6831/udp -p 6832:6832/udp -p 5778:5778 \
-p 16686:16686 -p 14268:14268 -p 14250:14250 \
-p 9411:9411 jaegertracing/all-in-one:1.32
Unable to find image 'jaegertracing/all-in-one:1.32' locally
1.32: Pulling from jaegertracing/all-in-one
97518928ae5f: Download complete
ee9b4236e8dd: Download complete
2ef9eb07f6be: Download complete
d4d8c2032836: Download complete
Digest: sha256:1540c94ec378a146e4df09832f685d95e8ca4625799f99af70292d74940a5971
Status: Downloaded newer image for jaegertracing/all-in-one:1.32
a7463f17ca617fc9ea3a3606bceeb436449d546c502d4298e8900766b22d7b75
```

- Step 2: Integrate Jaeger with Node.js
Use OpenTelemetry to send traces to Jaeger.

```
HP@LAPTOP-JRN3DQ80 MINGW64 /c/Gke-mern-deployment/Mern-prometheus and grafana/TravelMemory/backend (main)
$ npm install @opentelemetry/api @opentelemetry/sdk-node @opentelemetry/exporter-jaeger

added 88 packages, changed 1 package, and audited 210 packages in 20s

21 packages are looking for funding
  run `npm fund` for details

13 vulnerabilities (1 low, 3 moderate, 8 high, 1 critical)

To address issues that do not require attention, run:
  npm audit fix

To address all issues (including breaking changes), run:
  npm audit fix --force

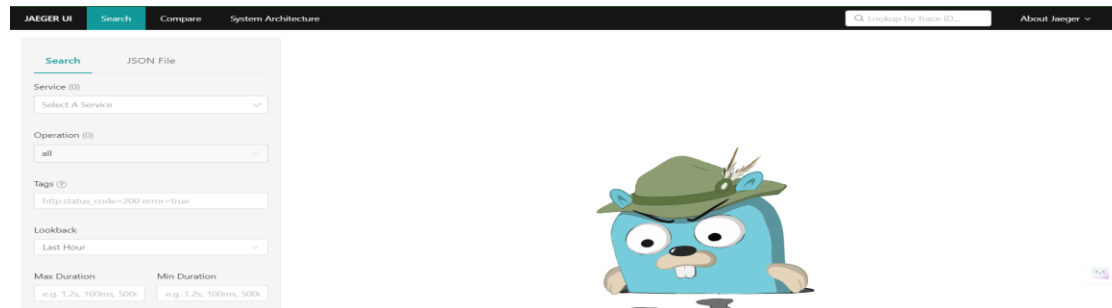
Run `npm audit` for details.

HP@LAPTOP-JRN3DQ80 MINGW64 /c/Gke-mern-deployment/Mern-prometheus and grafana/TravelMemory/backend (main)
$
```

Modify your backend to send traces to Jaeger:

This will start Jaeger, and you can access the Jaeger UI at

<http://localhost:16686>.



Step 1: Install OpenTelemetry for Node.js

In your backend project directory, install the necessary OpenTelemetry libraries for tracing:

```

HP@LAPTOP-3RN3DQ80 MINGW64 /c/Gke-mern-deployment/Mern-prometheus and grafana/TravelMemory/backend (main)
$ npm install @opentelemetry/api @opentelemetry/sdk-node @opentelemetry/auto-instrumentations-node @opentelemetry/exporter-jaeger
added 83 packages, and audited 293 packages in 23s

23 packages are looking for funding
  run `npm fund` for details

13 vulnerabilities (1 low, 3 moderate, 8 high, 1 critical)

To address issues that do not require attention, run:
  npm audit fix

To address all issues (including breaking changes), run:
  npm audit fix --force

Run `npm audit` for details.

```

Step 2: Modify index.js to Enable Tracing: -

Create a new file (optional for better organization): Create a file named tracing.js to configure OpenTelemetry. This will keep your code cleaner.

```

GNU nano 7.2 tracing.js
// tracing.js
const opentelemetry = require('@opentelemetry/sdk-node');
const { getNodeAutoInstrumentations } = require('@opentelemetry/auto-instrumentations-node');
const { JaegerExporter } = require('@opentelemetry/exporter-jaeger');

const sdk = new opentelemetry.NodeSDK({
  traceExporter: new JaegerExporter({
    endpoint: 'http://localhost:14268/api/traces', // Jaeger collector endpoint
  }),
  instrumentations: [getNodeAutoInstrumentations()], // Automatically instruments popular libraries like Express
});

sdk.start()
  .then(() => {
    console.log('Tracing initialized');
  })
  .catch((error) => {
    console.log('Error initializing tracing', error);
  });

process.on('SIGTERM', () => {
  sdk.shutdown().then(() => {
    console.log('Tracing terminated');
  });
});

```

2. **Modify index.js**: Import tracing.js at the top of your index.js file so that the tracing is initialized when the backend starts.

```

backend > JS index.js > ...
You, 1 second ago | 2 authors (You and one other)
1  ...require('./tracing'); // Import tracing module for Jaeger integration
2
3  const express = require('express');           You, now * Uncommitted changes
4  const cors = require('cors');
5  const promClient = require('prom-client'); // Prometheus client library
6  require('dotenv').config();
7
8  const const PORT: string | undefined
9  const PORT = process.env.PORT;
10 const conn = require('./conn');
11 app.use(express.json());
12 app.use(cors());
13
14 const tripRoutes = require('./routes/trip.routes');
15
16 // Prometheus metrics collection
17 const register = new promClient.Registry(); // Create a new registry for custom metrics
18
19 // HTTP request duration metric (histogram)
20 const httpRequestDurationMicroseconds = new promClient.Histogram({
21   name: 'http_request_duration_ms',
22   help: 'Duration of HTTP requests in ms',
23   labelNames: ['method', 'route', 'code'], // Labels for identifying metrics
24   buckets: [50, 100, 200, 500, 1000], // Define buckets for response times
25 });
26
27 // Register the metrics with Prometheus registry
28 register.registerMetric(httpRequestDurationMicroseconds);
29

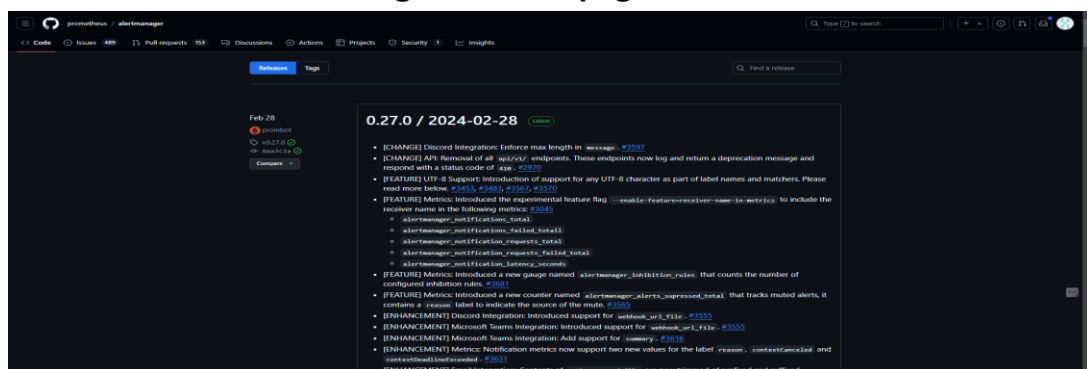
```

6. Alerting and Anomaly Detection:-

- Step 1: Create Alerting Rules
Set up alerting rules in Prometheus for application-specific metrics, such as response time exceeding a threshold.

Create the `alert.rules.yml` file:-

- Step 2: Configure Alertmanager
- **Install Alertmanager:**
- **Visit the official Alertmanager releases page on GitHub:**



- **Download the appropriate version for your system:**

[alertmanager-0.27.0.illumos-amd64.tar.gz](https://github.com/prometheus/alertmanager/releases/download/v0.27.0/alertmanager-0.27.0.illumos-amd64.tar.gz) in my case.

Example for Linux:-

wget

<https://github.com/prometheus/alertmanager/releases/download/v0.26.0/alertmanager-0.26.0.linux-amd64.tar.gz>

```
ubuntu@LAPTOP-JRN3DQ80:/mnt/c/Gke-mern-deployment/Mern-prometheus and grafana/TravelMemory$ wget https://github.com/prometheus/alertmanager/releases/download/v0.26.0/alertmanager-0.26.0.linux-amd64.tar.gz
--2024-10-15 13:41:56-- https://github.com/prometheus/alertmanager/releases/download/v0.26.0/alertmanager-0.26.0.linux-amd64.tar.gz
Resolving github.com (github.com)... 20.207.73.82
Connecting to github.com (github.com)|20.207.73.82|:443... connected.
HTTP request sent, awaiting response... 302 Found
Location: https://objects.githubusercontent.com/github-production-release-asset-2e65be/11452538/84ce640f-af00-45ce-9500-60309e9f598d?X-Amz-Algorithm=AWS4-HMAC-SHA256&X-Amz-Credential=releaseassetproduction%2F20241015%2Fus-east-1%2Fs3%2Faws4_request&X-Amz-Date=20241015T081157Z&X-Amz-Expires=300&X-Amz-Signature=3929a0dac6061191986358a8f8fe89353d10fbb760a16a07cee45ede30aa014d&X-Amz-SignedHeaders=host&response-content-disposition=attachment%3B%20filename%3Dalertmanager-0.26.0.linux-amd64.tar.gz&response-content-type=application%2Foctet-stream [following]
--2024-10-15 13:41:57-- https://objects.githubusercontent.com/github-production-release-asset-2e65be/11452538/84ce640f-af00-45ce-9500-60309e9f598d?X-Amz-Algorithm=AWS4-HMAC-SHA256&X-Amz-Credential=releaseassetproduction%2F20241015%2Fus-east-1%2Fs3%2Faws4_request&X-Amz-Date=20241015T081157Z&X-Amz-Expires=300&X-Amz-Signature=3929a0dac6061191986358a8f8fe89353d10fbb760a16a07cee45ede30aa014d&X-Amz-SignedHeaders=host&response-content-disposition=attachment%3B%20filename%3Dalertmanager-0.26.0.linux-amd64.tar.gz&response-content-type=application%2Foctet-stream
Resolving objects.githubusercontent.com (objects.githubusercontent.com)... 185.199.108.133, 185.199.109.133, 185.199.110.133, ...
Connecting to objects.githubusercontent.com (objects.githubusercontent.com)|185.199.108.133|:443... connected.
HTTP request sent, awaiting response... 200 OK
Length: 29717412 (28M) [application/octet-stream]
Saving to: 'alertmanager-0.26.0.linux-amd64.tar.gz'

alertmanager-0.26.0.linux-amd64.tar.gz  24%[=====>] 6.81M  146KB/s  eta 2m 53s
```

Step 2: Extract the Files:-

Extract the downloaded file to a directory:

- For Linux/macOS:-

```
ubuntu@LAPTOP-JRN3DQ80:/mnt/c/Gke-mern-deployment/Mern-prometheus and grafana/TravelMemory$ tar -xvzf alertmanager-0.26.0.linux-amd64.tar.gz
alertmanager-0.26.0.linux-amd64/
alertmanager-0.26.0.linux-amd64/alertmanager.yml
alertmanager-0.26.0.linux-amd64/NOTICE
alertmanager-0.26.0.linux-amd64/amttool
alertmanager-0.26.0.linux-amd64/alertmanager
alertmanager-0.26.0.linux-amd64/LICENSE
ubuntu@LAPTOP-JRN3DQ80:/mnt/c/Gke-mern-deployment/Mern-prometheus and grafana/TravelMemory$
```

Navigate to the extracted folder: -

```
ubuntu@LAPTOP-JRN3DQ80:/mnt/c/Gke-mern-deployment/Mern-prometheus and grafana/TravelMemory$ cd alertmanager-0.26.0.linux-amd64
ubuntu@LAPTOP-JRN3DQ80:/mnt/c/Gke-mern-deployment/Mern-prometheus and grafana/TravelMemory/alertmanager-0.26.0.linux-amd64$
```

Step 3: Configure Alertmanager:-

Create a configuration file (alertmanager.yml) in the Alertmanager directory. This file will define how Alertmanager handles and routes alerts.

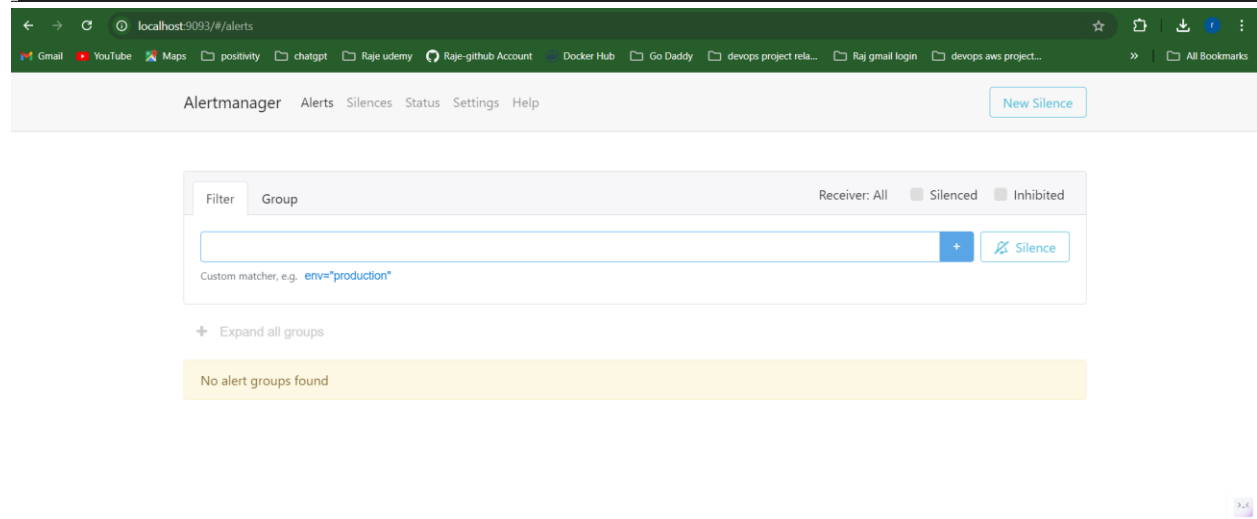
Customize the route section based on how you want the alerts to be grouped and routed. For more advanced configurations, check out the Alertmanager configuration docs.

Step 4: Run Alertmanager:-

```

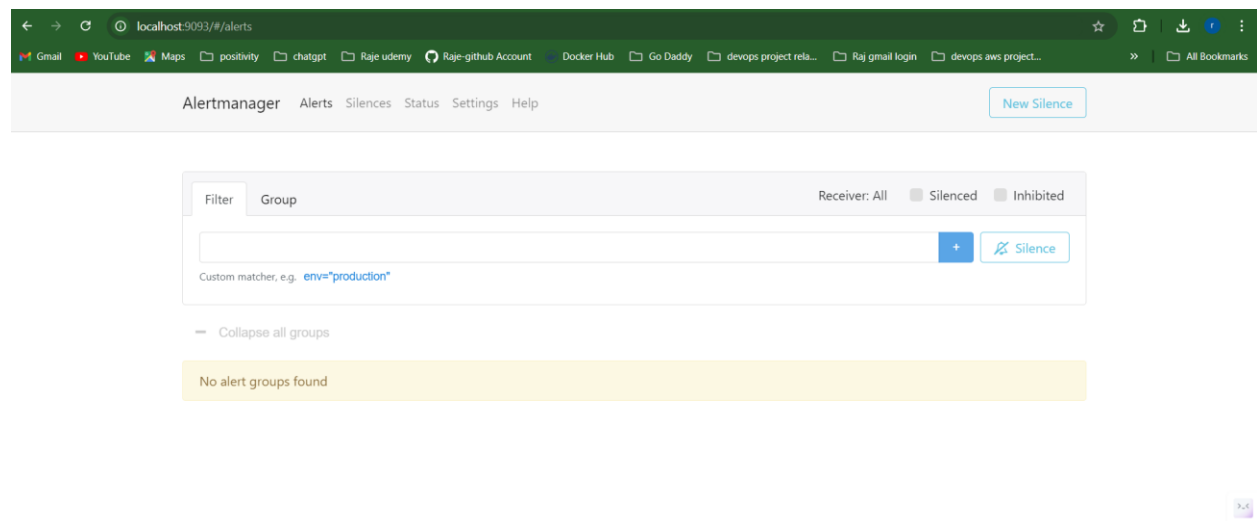
ubuntu@LAPTOP-JRN3DQ80:/mnt/c/Gke-mern-deployment/Mern-prometheus and grafana/TravelMemory/backend/alertmanager-0.26.0.linux-amd64$ ./alertmanager --config.
file=alertmanager.yml
ts=2024-10-15T08:30:04.424Z caller=main.go:245 level=info msg="Starting Alertmanager" version="(version=0.26.0, branch=HEAD, revision=d7b4f0c7322e7151d6e3b1e31cbc15361e295d8d)"
ts=2024-10-15T08:30:04.424Z caller=main.go:246 level=info build_context="(go=go1.20.7, platform=linux/amd64, user=root@df8d7debeef4, date=20230824-11:11:58, tags=netgo)"
ts=2024-10-15T08:30:04.644Z caller=cluster.go:186 level=info component=cluster msg="setting advertise address explicitly" addr=172.21.64.139 port=9094
ts=2024-10-15T08:30:04.654Z caller=cluster.go:683 level=info component=cluster msg="Waiting for gossip to settle..." interval=2s
ts=2024-10-15T08:30:04.762Z caller=coordinator.go:113 level=info component=configuration msg="Loading configuration file" file=alertmanager.yml
ts=2024-10-15T08:30:04.764Z caller=coordinator.go:126 level=info component=configuration msg="Completed loading of configuration file" file=alertmanager.yml
ts=2024-10-15T08:30:04.884Z caller=tls_config.go:274 level=info msg="Listening on" address=[::]:9093
ts=2024-10-15T08:30:04.890Z caller=tls_config.go:277 level=info msg="TLS is disabled." http2=false address=[::]:9093
ts=2024-10-15T08:30:06.655Z caller=cluster.go:708 level=info component=cluster msg="gossip not settled" polls=0 before=0 now=1 elapsed=2.00038471s
ts=2024-10-15T08:30:14.658Z caller=cluster.go:700 level=info component=cluster msg="gossip settled; proceeding" elapsed=10.003296515s

```



Step 5: Integrate Alertmanager with Prometheus:-

prometheus.yml:-



Github repo:- <https://github.com/Rajpreetsingh12/TravelMemory.git>

