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Lab Manual

Sensors and IoT

LAB - 6

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Lab Objective

To store real-time sensor data in an InfluxDB database and visualize it using Grafana.

The objective includes setting up data pipelines from sensors to InfluxDB and configuring Grafana dashboards for effective monitoring.

Part 1 : Installation of Influxdb

- Open a terminal window on Raspberry Pi

- Update all the packages installed on Raspberry Pi and execute :-

```
sudo apt update
sudo apt upgrade
```

- Adding the InfluxDB Repository

```
curl https://repos.influxdata.com/influxdata-archive.key | gpg --dearmor
| sudo tee /usr/share/keyrings/influxdb-archive-keyring.gpg >/dev/null
```

```
echo "deb [signed-by=/usr/share/keyrings/influxdb-archive-keyring.gpg]
https://repos.influxdata.com/debian $(lsb_release -cs) stable"
| sudo tee /etc/apt/sources.list.d/influxdb.list
```

- Refresh the available packages

```
sudo apt update
```

- Install InfluxDB

```
sudo apt install influxdb
```

- Start the InfluxDB server

```
sudo systemctl unmask influxdb
sudo systemctl enable influxdb
sudo systemctl start influxdb
```

- Start influxDB by running

```
influx
```

- Create a database

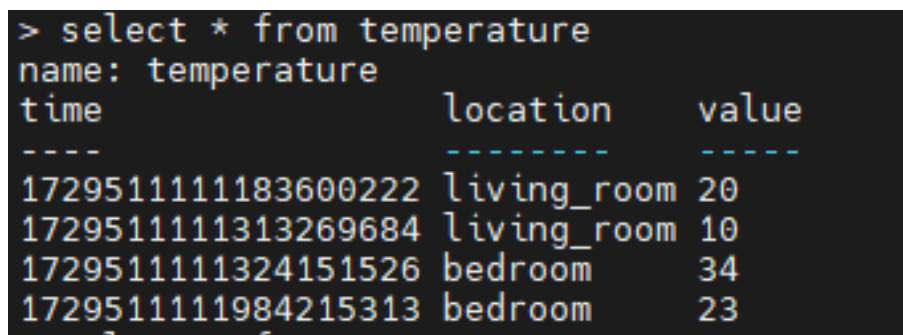
```
CREATE DATABASE <YOUR_DATABASE_NAME>
USE <YOUR_DATABASE_NAME>
```

- Insert data into the table

```
INSERT temperature,location=living_room value=20
INSERT temperature,location=living_room value=10
INSERT temperature,location=bedroom value=34
INSERT temperature,location=bedroom value=23
```

- Check the inserted data

```
SELECT * FROM temperature
```



```
> select * from temperature
name: temperature
time                location    value
----                -
172951111183600222  living_room 20
1729511111313269684 living_room 10
1729511111324151526 bedroom     34
1729511111984215313 bedroom     23
```

Figure 1: output for select query

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Part 2 : Installation of grafana

- Open a terminal window on Raspberry Pi
- Add the APT key used to authenticate packages:

```
sudo mkdir -p /etc/apt/keyrings/
```

```
wget -q -O - https://apt.grafana.com/gpg.key | gpg --dearmor |  
sudo tee /etc/apt/keyrings/grafana.gpg > /dev/null
```

- Add the Grafana APT repository:

```
echo "deb [signed-by=/etc/apt/keyrings/grafana.gpg]  
https://apt.grafana.com stable main" |  
sudo tee /etc/apt/sources.list.d/grafana.list
```

- Install Grafana:

```
sudo apt-get update  
sudo apt-get install -y grafana
```

- Open localhost:3000 in Raspberry pi and use admin as username and password

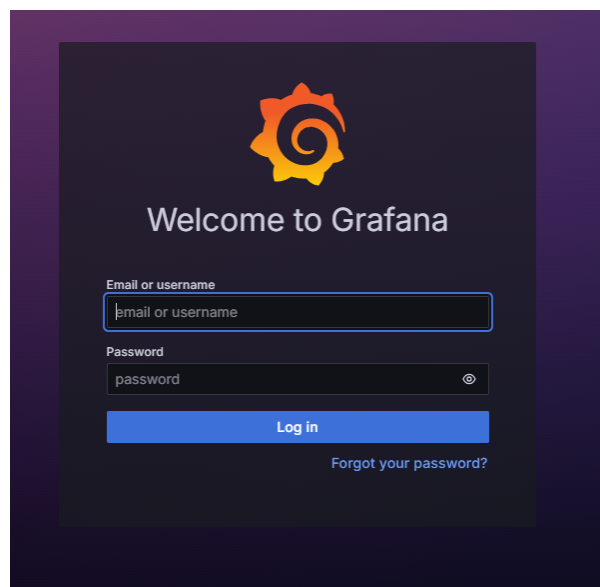


Figure 2: Grafana Login

- Goto datasources

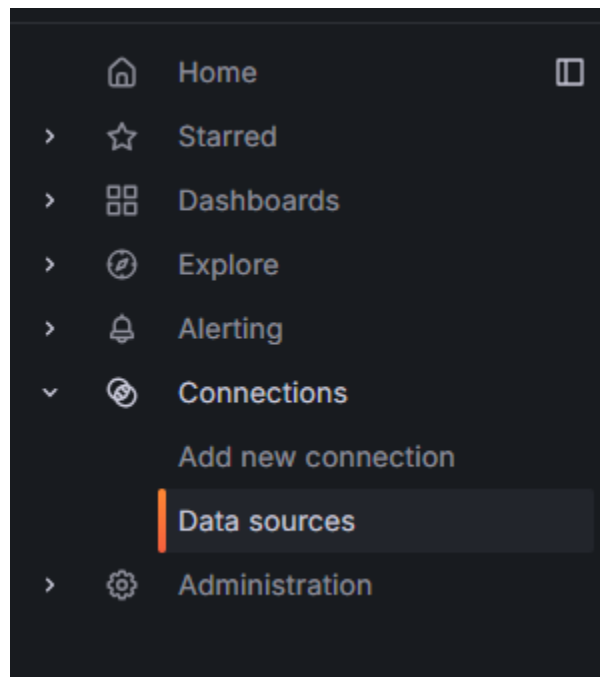


Figure 3: Add Datasource

- Select InfluxDB

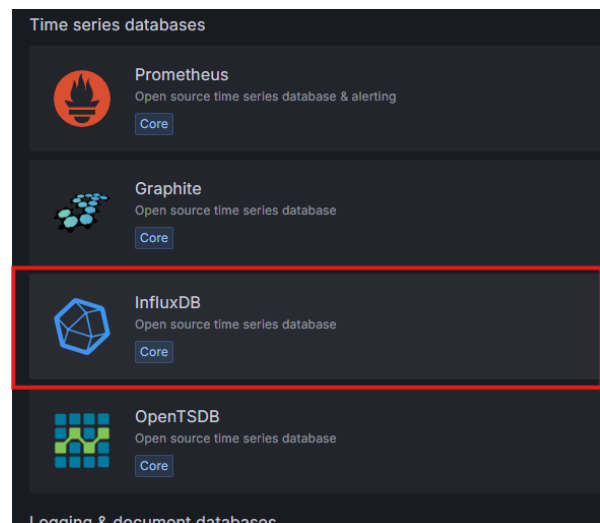
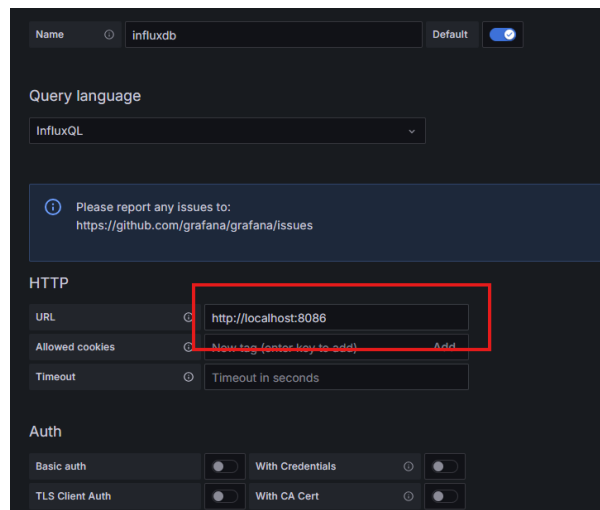


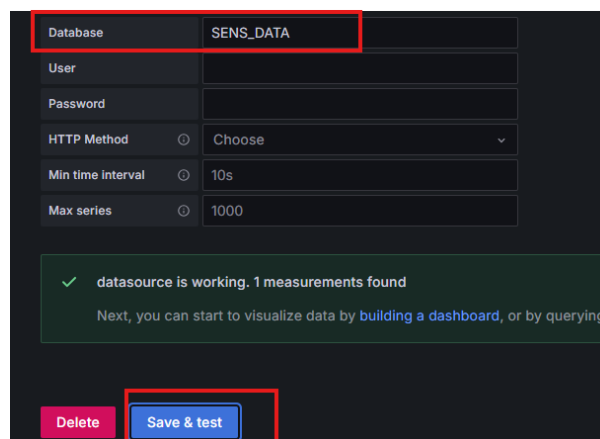
Figure 4: Select InfluxDB datasource

- Configure Grafana to access influxDB



The image shows the Grafana configuration page for an 'influxdb' data source. The 'Name' field is set to 'influxdb' and the 'Default' toggle is turned on. The 'Query language' is set to 'InfluxQL'. A message box asks to report issues to <https://github.com/grafana/grafana/issues>. The 'HTTP' section has a red box around the 'URL' field, which contains 'http://localhost:8086'. Below it, the 'Allowed cookies' field has a red box around the 'New tag (enter key to add)' text. The 'Auth' section has two rows: 'Basic auth' with 'With Credentials' and 'TLS Client Auth' with 'With CA Cert', each having a toggle switch.

Figure 5: Set netowrk configuration



The image shows the Grafana configuration page for a 'SENS_DATA' database. The 'Database' field is highlighted with a red box and contains 'SENS_DATA'. Below it are fields for 'User', 'Password', 'HTTP Method' (set to 'Choose'), 'Min time interval' (set to '10s'), and 'Max series' (set to '1000'). A green message box says '✓ datasource is working. 1 measurements found' and 'Next, you can start to visualize data by [building a dashboard](#), or by querying'. At the bottom, there are two buttons: 'Delete' and 'Save & test', with the 'Save & test' button highlighted by a red box.

Figure 6: Set Database name and save it

- Goto dashboard and create a new dashboard

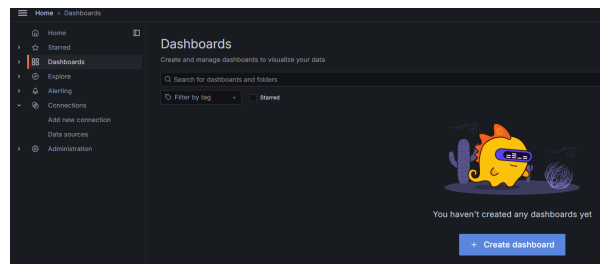


Figure 7: Add Grafana dashboard

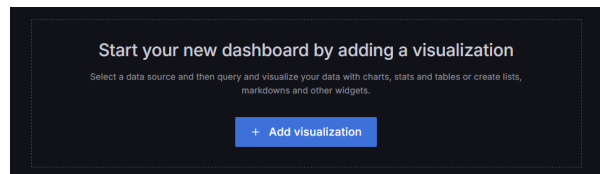


Figure 8: Add Visualizaion

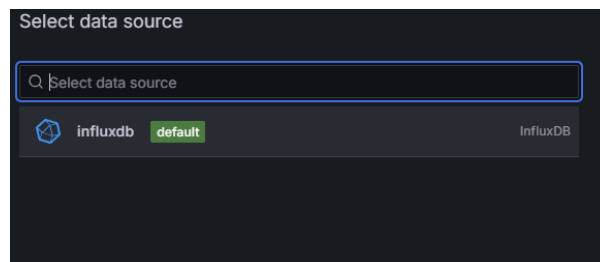


Figure 9: Select InfluxDB datasource

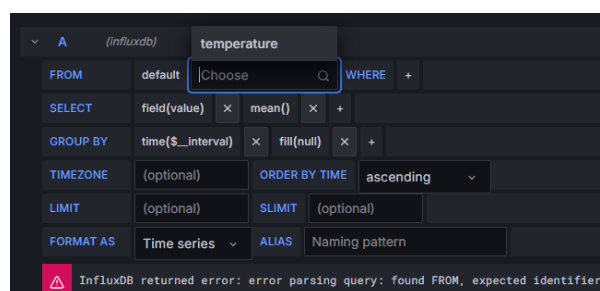


Figure 10: Select datasource

Part 3 : Writing using python

- * Open a new terminal
 - * activate virtual environment "IOT_LAB"
 - * install influxDB library

```
python3 -m pip install influxdb
```
 - * use the provided python file to write to the database.
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Assignment : Show Lidar data on Grafana dashboard

- * Use the provided python file to write to a database
 - * The Table name should be your respective roll number
 - * show the graph of the data on grafana
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