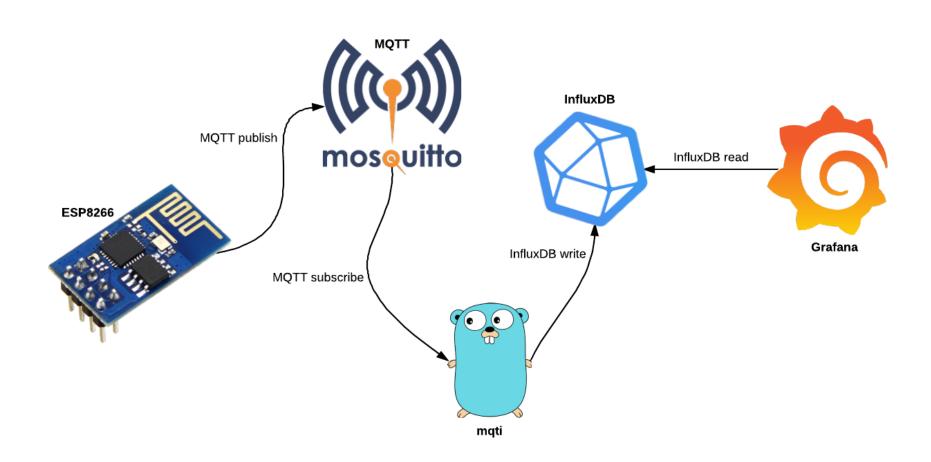
Visualising MQTT data using Golang, InfluxDB and Grafana

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MQTT, officially

MQTT (MQ Telemetry Transport) is an ISO standard publish-subscribe-based "lightweight" messaging protocol for use on top of the TCP/IP protocol. It is designed for connections with remote locations where a "small code footprint" is required or the network bandwidth is limited.

en.wikipedia.org/wiki/MQTT

MQTT, in practice



- Pub/sub messaging protocol
- Very basic protocol, consisting of Connect, Disconnect,
 Subscribe, UnSubscribe and Publish
- Perfect for resource limited devices such as Raspberry Pi,
 Arduino
- Many implementations, mosquitto is fantastic
- Client libraries for Go, Ruby, Python, Java
- Latest specification is v3.1.1

Mosquitto



- Open source, MQTT broker implementation
- Supports v3.1.x
- Written in C
- TLS, username/password support
- ACL restriction for topics
- Docker image available

ESP8266

- Arduino compatible board
- Can also use Lua for some boards
- WIFI, deep sleep, interrupts, digital/analog IO
- Lots of variants with USB->serial included, more IO pins etc
- Easily publish MQTT messages with MQTT library
- Very cheap, ~\$3AUD n checkout AliExpress



ESP8266 - more variants









InfluxDB

- Open source, time series database
- Written in Go
- High throughput (claims of millions of data points per second)
- Continuous Queries (CQ) and Retention Policies (RP)
- SQL-like query syntax
- Flexible 'structure'
- Client libraries for Go, Ruby, Python, Java
- Docker image available 😍

What is a time series database?

A database that is optimised for time centric data, often including easy data retention and downsampling.

- The original; RRDtool (used by Nagios/Icinga, collectd, MRTG)
- Other notables:
 - Graphite (whisper)
 - OpenTSDB
 - Prometheus

mqti

MQTT subscriber that pumps data into InfluxDB.

github.com/ashmckenzie/go-mqti

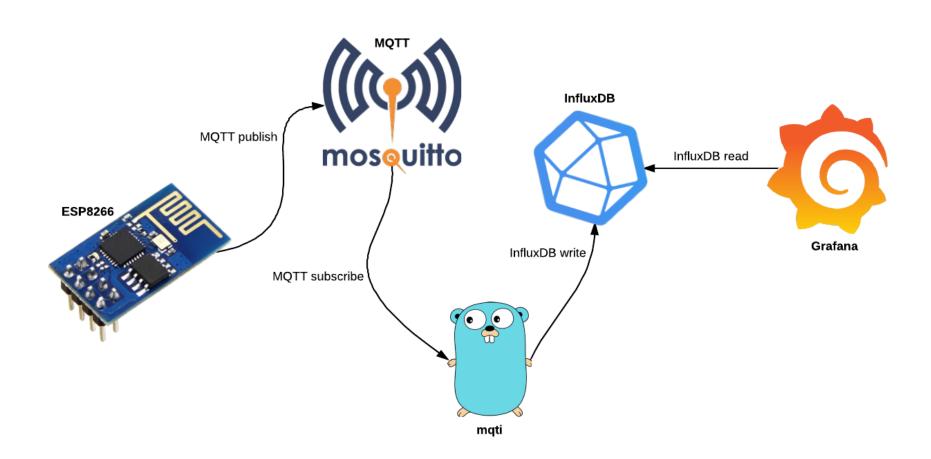
mqti features

- Written in Go
- MQTT v3.1.1 supported, TLS, username/password
- InfluxDB with TLS, username/password
- Consume MQTT messages and inspect (watch) or forward
- Filter MQTT messages with AND + OR expressions
- Write MQTT messages into InfluxDB including:
 - Adding tags based on MQTT fields (when payload is JSON)
 - Geohash support (e.g. messages generated by Owntracks)
- Docker image available

Grafana



- Open source, time series analytics interface
- Beautiful UI, tonnes of options
- Supports InfluxDB, Graphite, Elastisearch, MySQL, OpenTSDB,
 Prometheus and CloudWatch
- Includes primitive alerting capabilites
- Plugin system with 75+ available currently
- Docker image available



Demo time 🙏

github.com/ashmckenzie/golang-melbourne-july-2017