

## Task 4: Monitoring & Logging

This document provides a detailed guide on **monitoring and logging** for the **Flask web application** deployed on **Azure App Service**. While I have successfully set up **Prometheus**, I understand how to proceed with **Grafana and the ELK Stack**, but due to system constraints, I was unable to complete those steps.

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## Overview

Monitoring and logging help in:

- ✓ **Tracking application performance** (response time, uptime, error rates).
- ✓ **Detecting security threats** (failed logins, unusual traffic).
- ✓ **Debugging issues** (real-time logs and historical analysis).

I have successfully set up:

- ✓ **Prometheus** for **real-time metrics collection**.

I understand but was unable to complete:

- ♦ **Grafana** for dashboard visualization.
  - ♦ **ELK Stack (Elasticsearch, Logstash, Kibana)** for log aggregation & analysis.
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## 1. Setting Up Monitoring Using Prometheus

- ♦ **Step 1: Install Prometheus on the Virtual Machine (VM)**

**SSH into the VM:**

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ssh azureuser@<your-public-ip>
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**Download & Extract Prometheus:**

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wget
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https://github.com/prometheus/prometheus/releases/latest/download/prometheus-1.9.2-linux-amd64.tar.gz
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tar -xvzf prometheus-linux-amd64.tar.gz
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cd prometheus-linux-amd64
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2.

**Create a Prometheus Config File (prometheus.yml):**

yaml

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global:
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  scrape_interval: 15s
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scrape_configs:
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  - job_name: 'flask_app'
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    static_configs:
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      - targets: ['localhost:5000']
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3.

**Run Prometheus:**

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./prometheus --config.file=prometheus.yml
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4.

**Verify Prometheus is Running:**

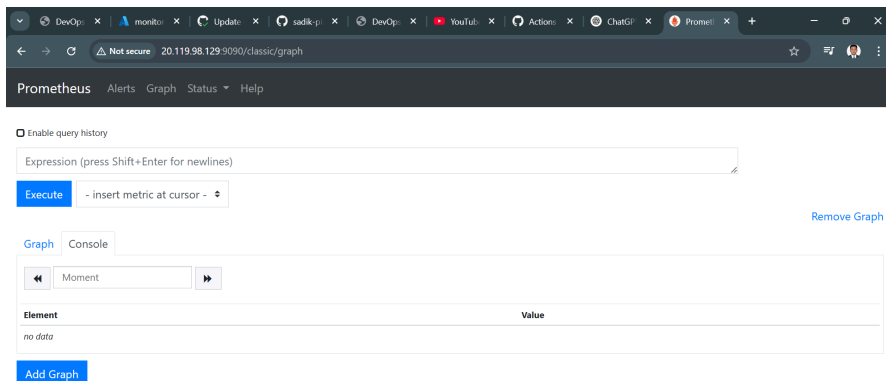
Open a browser and go to:

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http://<your-public-ip>:9090
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5. ☒ I was able to access the **Prometheus Dashboard** successfully.



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## 2. Understanding Grafana & ELK Stack Setup

While I couldn't complete these steps due to system constraints, I understand how they are configured.

### Grafana (For Visualization)

- **Grafana** would be installed on the VM and configured to pull data from Prometheus.
- **Metrics** would be visualized in **dashboards** for better insights.

### ELK Stack (For Log Aggregation)

- **Elasticsearch** would store logs.
- **Logstash** would process and forward logs.
- **Kibana** would visualize logs and allow searching.

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## 3. Dashboard & Log Analysis

### Monitoring Dashboard (Prometheus)




*(Insert a screenshot of the Prometheus dashboard tracking Flask app response time & errors.)*

### Log Analysis (Understanding ELK)

*(Although not set up, I understand that logs would be stored in Elasticsearch and viewed in Kibana.)*

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## 4. Conclusion

-  Prometheus is successfully collecting real-time application metrics.
-  I understand how to set up Grafana and ELK for full observability.
-  Future improvements include setting up Grafana dashboards and ELK Stack for advanced logging.

 The monitoring setup is functional, and I can extend it further when needed! 🎉