
ardas-tools Documentation

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Datas are stored locally and can be sent to an influxdb database an visualized into grafana.

These tools don't cover [influxdb](#) and [grafana](#) installation, see dedicated websites for tutorial on how to do this.

1.1 Preparation

- Prepare a raspberry pi with a [RASPBIAN LITE image](#) and an arduino board.
- Make sure the pi and arduino are turned-off
- Insert the ardas shield in the arduino board
- Connect the arduino board to the raspberry pi with a USB cable (no external power cable for the arduino board)
- Power up the raspberry pi and wait for the raspberry pi to boot
- Log on the raspberry pi (using ssh)

Warning: Make sure you don't have a random cron task activated

1.2 For visualization(optional)

Log on you influxdb server and create a new database:

```
create database DATABASE_NAME
```

Create a user for this database and grant him permissions on this database:

```
create user USERNAME with password 'MYPASSWORD'  
grant all on "DATABASE_NAME" to "USERNAME"
```

Add the database as data source on grafana.

1.3 Install Git

```
sudo apt install git
```

1.4 Download the code

To deploy ardas-tools including ardas:

```
rm -rf * .git .gitignore && git init && git remote add origin https://github.com/UMONS-GFA/ardas-tools.git && git pull origin master
```

1.5 Install the required packages

```
./raspbian_upgrade.sh
```

1.6 Initialization and setup

- For production

To initiate stable branch of ardas:

```
bash init_ardas.sh
```

To update stable branch:

```
bash update_ardas.sh
```

These scripts can take quite a long time to retrieve the python dependencies, espacially when using a raspberry pi one. See the *Options* option for an alternative...

- For developers

To initiate development branch of ardas

```
bash init_ardas.sh --dev
```

To update development branch

```
bash update_ardas.sh --dev
```

Follow the instructions to set the appropriate sensors and acquisition settings.

1.7 Configure the PYTHONPATH

```
nano ~/.bashrc
```

add at the end:

```
export PYTHONPATH=/home/pi/ardas
```

Refresh your profile:

```
source ~/.bashrc
```

1.8 Generate the sensors

You can use the *uncalibrated_sensors_generator.py* script to generate 4 uncalibrated sensors:

```
python3 /home/pi/ardas/ardas/uncalibrated_sensors_generator.py
```

1.9 Configure the ardas

- Set the default arduino config, default netid will be 255:

```
bash reset_arduino_EEPROM.sh
```

- Upload the sketch in the arduino:

```
bash upgrade_sketch.sh
```

1.10 Define your settings

Make a copy of the *settings_example.py* and name it *settings.py*:

```
cp /home/pi/ardas/ardas/settings_example.py /home/pi/ardas/ardas/settings.py
```

Configure this file for your needs.

1.11 Add a cron task

```
crontab -e
```

and add:

```
PYTHONPATH=/home/pi/ardas  
  
# m h dom mon dow  command  
@reboot /usr/bin/python3 /home/pi/ardas/ardas/raspardas.py > /home/pi/ardas/cronlog.  
↪ log 2>&1 &
```

1.12 Start logging

To reboot the raspberry.py and start logging:

```
bash reboot.sh
```

Don't forget to type a message to explain in which circumstances (and eventually by whom) the system is rebooted. It show in the logs when the system will restart.

1.13 Options

- Update code without automatically rebooting(only for update_ardas script):

```
--noreboot
```

- Prevent creating a new virtual environment and installing all dependencies

Installing dependencies could be slow on a raspberry pi, especially a . If you plan to install several identical loggers, it could be advisable to create a disk image with the right dependencies installed in the virtual environment. The following option could then be used to prevent the system from creating a new virtual environment and retrieving dependencies:

```
--nopip
```

1.14 Debug

If there is a communication problem with the Arduino, you can try to debug with picocom:

```
apt install picocom
```

Make sure the python cron task is not running:

```
ps -aux | grep python3
```

Launch picocom:

```
picocom -b 57600 /dev/ttyACM0
```

Use Ctr+a then Ctrl+c to enable echo.

To quit, use Ctrl+x

Call the ardas with his netid:

```
-255
```

Set naïve data mode:

```
#ND
```

You can now change the default config with ZR command:

```
#ZR station netId integrationPeriod nbInst sensor1 sensor2 sensor3 sensor4 code
```

```
Ex: #ZR 1111 222 3333 4 0001 0002 0003 0004 31
```

Set raspardas data mode:

```
#RD
```

Change your settings accordingly

2.1 clean.sh

Clean the log and data directory

2.2 purge.sh

Remove all files from the current directory and get latest ardas release

2.3 reboot.sh

Write a message to influx event database before rebooting the computer

2.4 reset_arduino_EEPROM.sh

Build arduino-reset sketch and upload to the arduino. Arduino-reset flushes the serial connection, reconfigure the arduino and set raspardas mode to true in EEPROM.

2.5 update_ardas.sh

Update ardas code version.

2.6 upgrade_sketch.sh

Build a new version of arduino sketch and upload it to the arduino.

CHAPTER 3

Indices and tables

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