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Database Systems Overview

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Introduction

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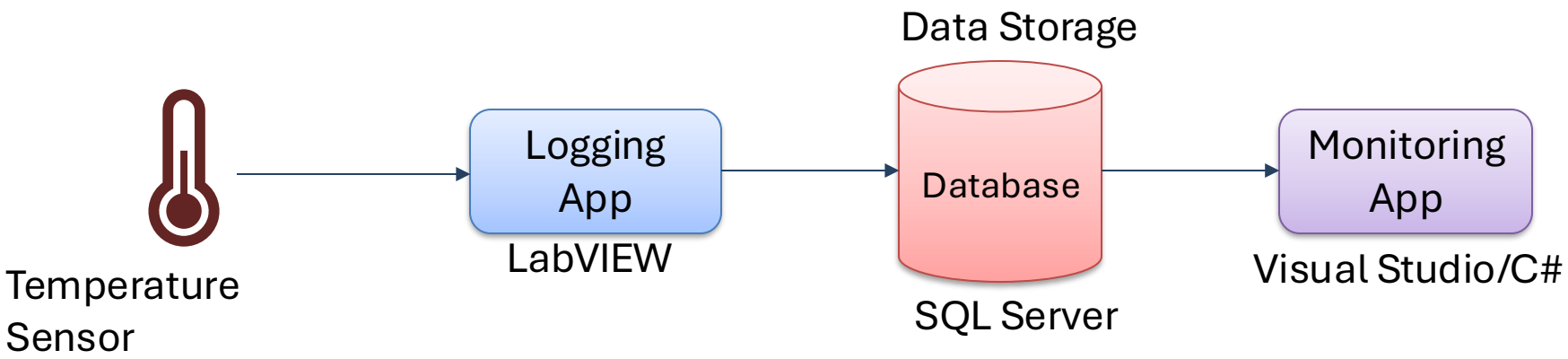
Database Systems

- A database is a structured way to store lots of information.
- The information is stored in different tables.
- “Everything” today is stored in a database today, like bank systems, information in web pages and data used by AI, etc.
- In the industry we have, e.g., **Datalogging and Monitoring Systems** and **SCADA Systems**.
- Some popular database systems today are Oracle, MySQL, MariaDB and **Microsoft SQL Server**.
- Typically you start by designing your database and create a so-called Entity Relationship Diagram (ERD).
- There exist many software tools for creating ER diagrams like **DB Designer**, Lucidchart and erwin Data Modeler.

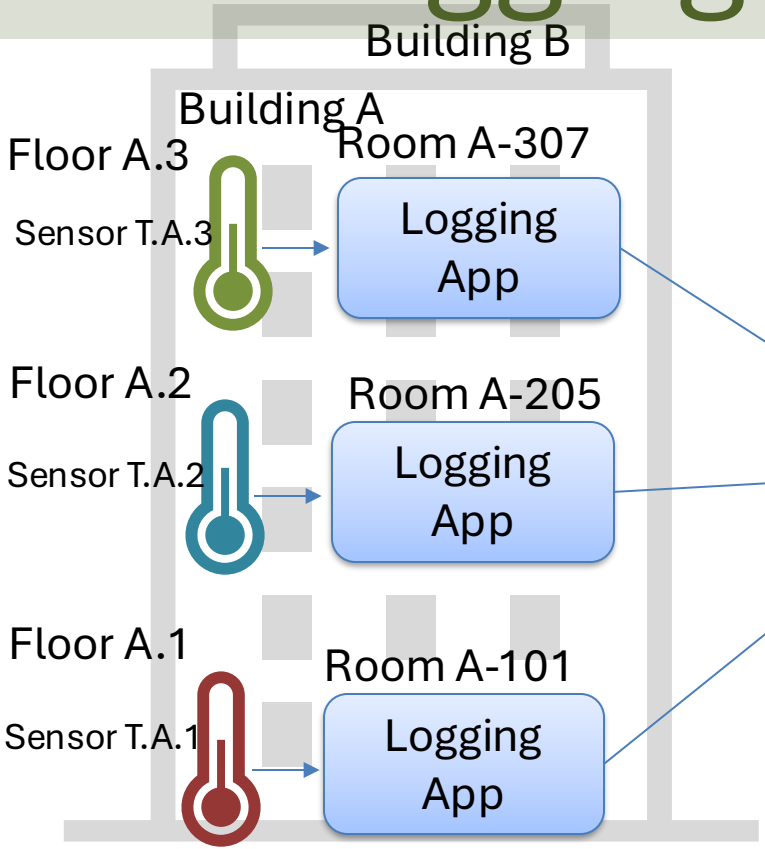
Datalogging and Monitoring

Here you see the core concept of a Datalogging and Monitoring System:

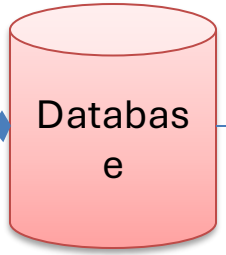


On the next pages you will see different User Case Scenarios for such a System, e.g., Home Automation System, Building Monitoring System, etc.

Datalogging and Monitoring



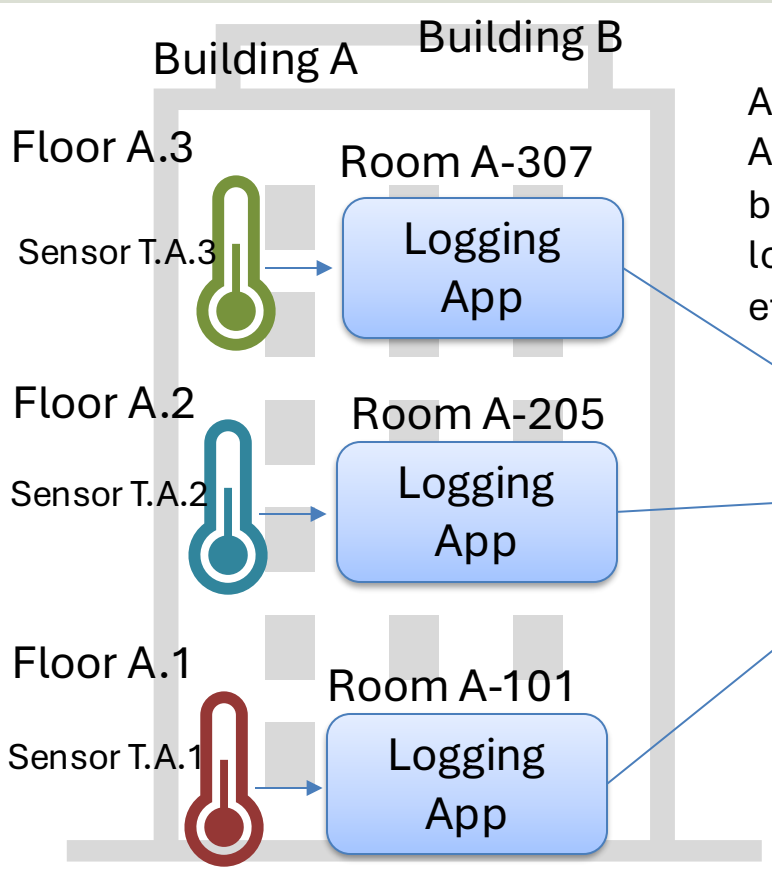
In the Monitoring App you can see real-time data and monitor historical data from the different sensors in the different buildings and rooms.



A Database that stores all the data from the system

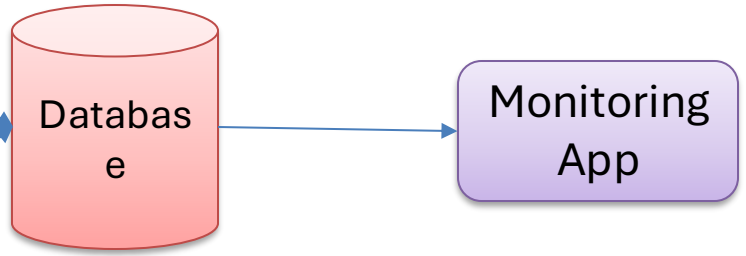
The Logging App is in the different rooms where you want to see and log data from different sensors.

Use Case Scenario (Alt1)



"Building Monitoring System"

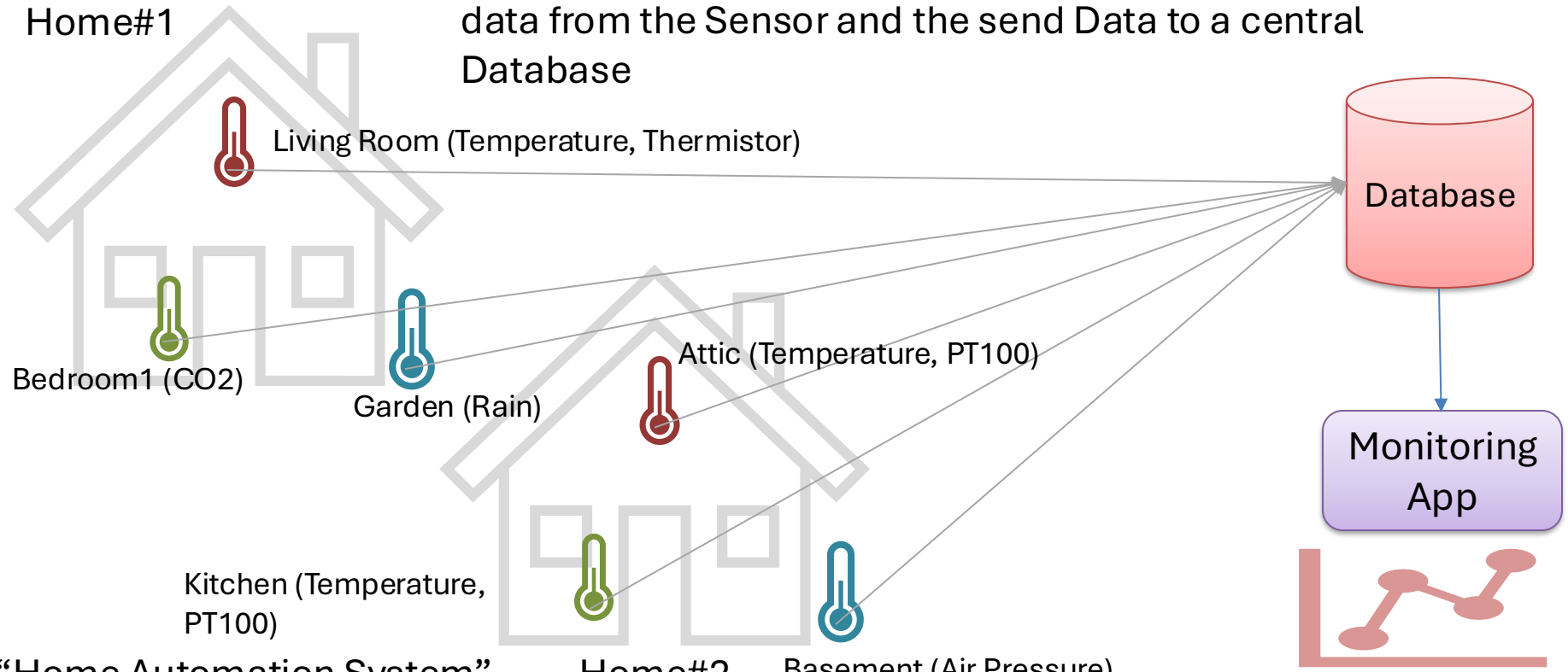
Assume that you can have multiple Data Logging Applications that are in different places inside multiple buildings (e.g., office buildings, factory, etc.) which are logging Temperature Data (or Data from other Sensors, CO2, etc.) and store the Data inside a common Database.

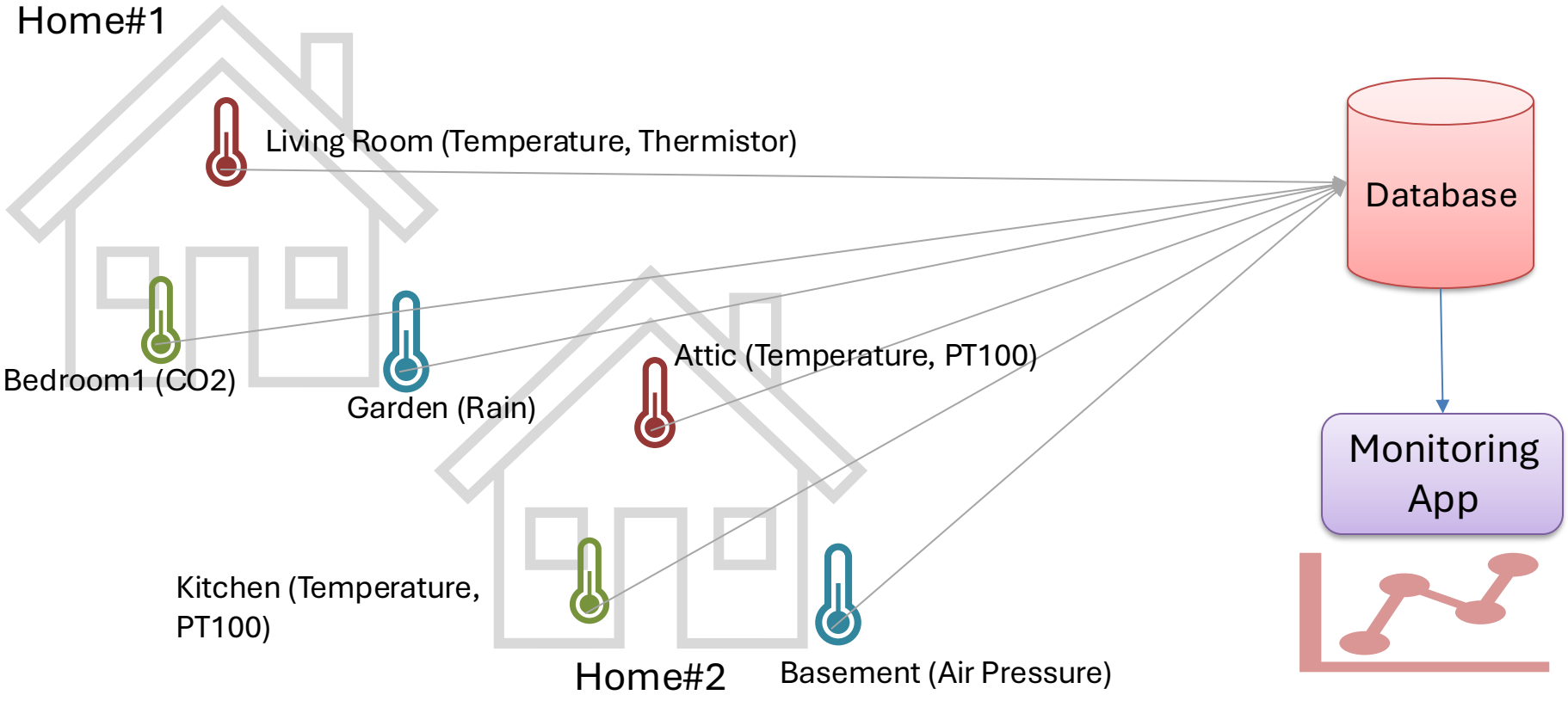


Then a person can sit somewhere and Observe (Real-Time Data) and Monitor (Historical Data) the Data from the different Sensors in the different Buildings and Rooms using the Monitoring App.

Use Case Scenario (Alt2)

Assume each Sensor has a separate Logging App that Log data from the Sensor and the send Data to a central Database




Home#1
Living Room (Temperature, Thermistor)
Bedroom1 (CO2)
Garden (Rain)
Attic (Temperature, PT100)
Kitchen (Temperature, PT100)
Home#2
Basement (Air Pressure)
Database
Monitoring App

Database Design and Imlementation

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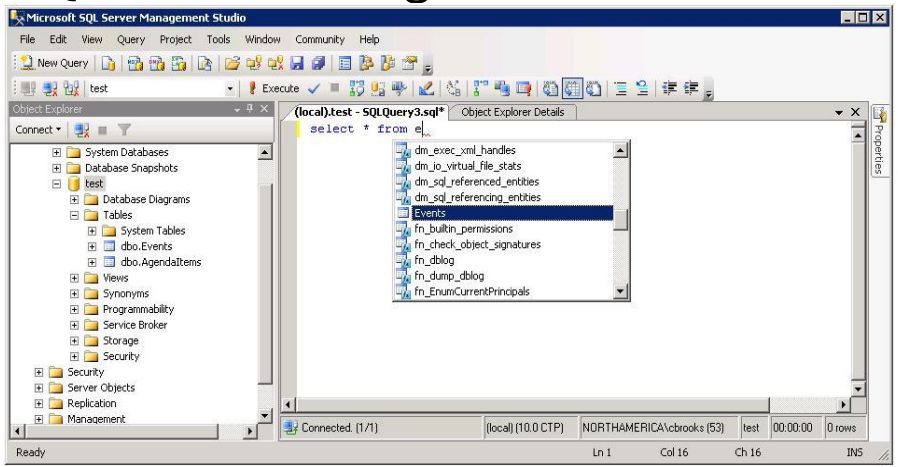
Lucidchart

erwin

Database Design & Modelling

Create Tables

SQL Server Management Studio



Database Management

Write/Read Data

Microsoft **SQL Server** Database

NATIONAL INSTRUMENTS LabVIEW

Visual Studio

We can create Applications in LabVIEW & Visual Studio that Writes and Reads Data to/from the Database.

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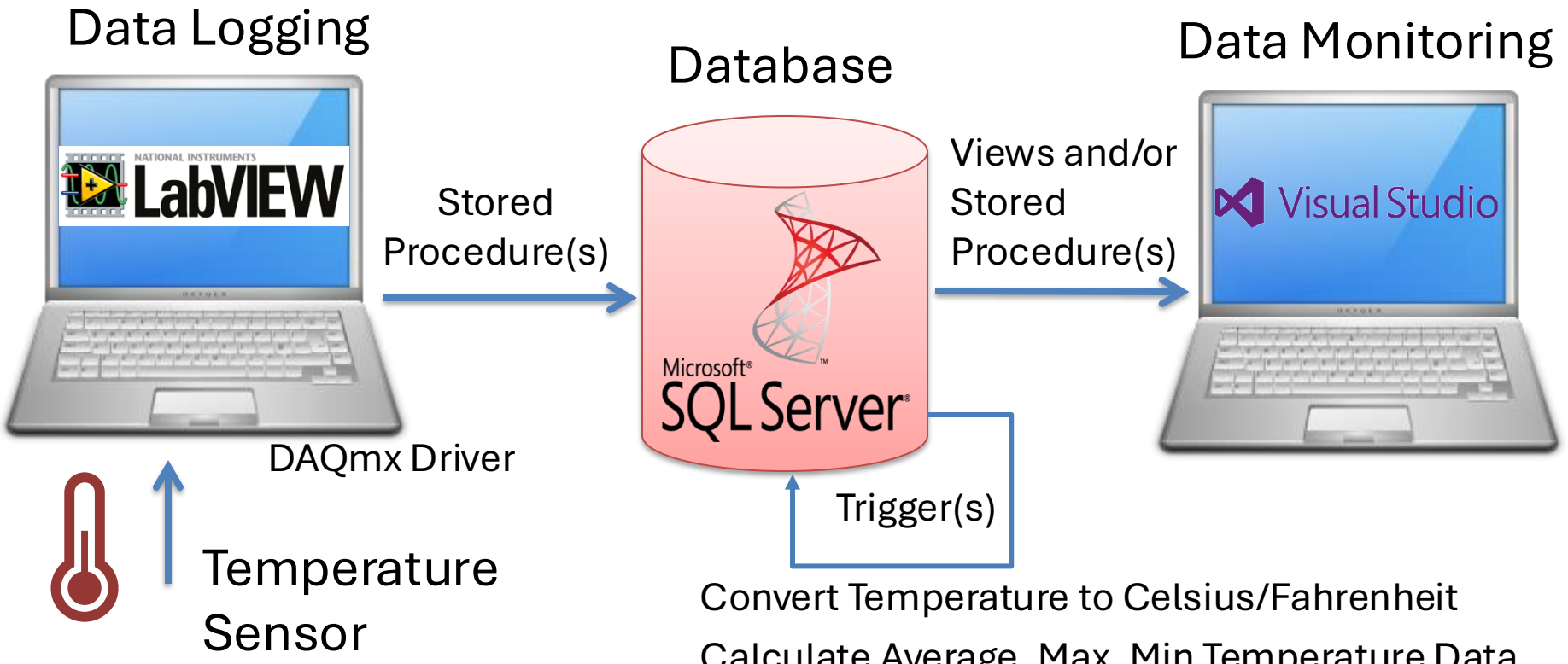

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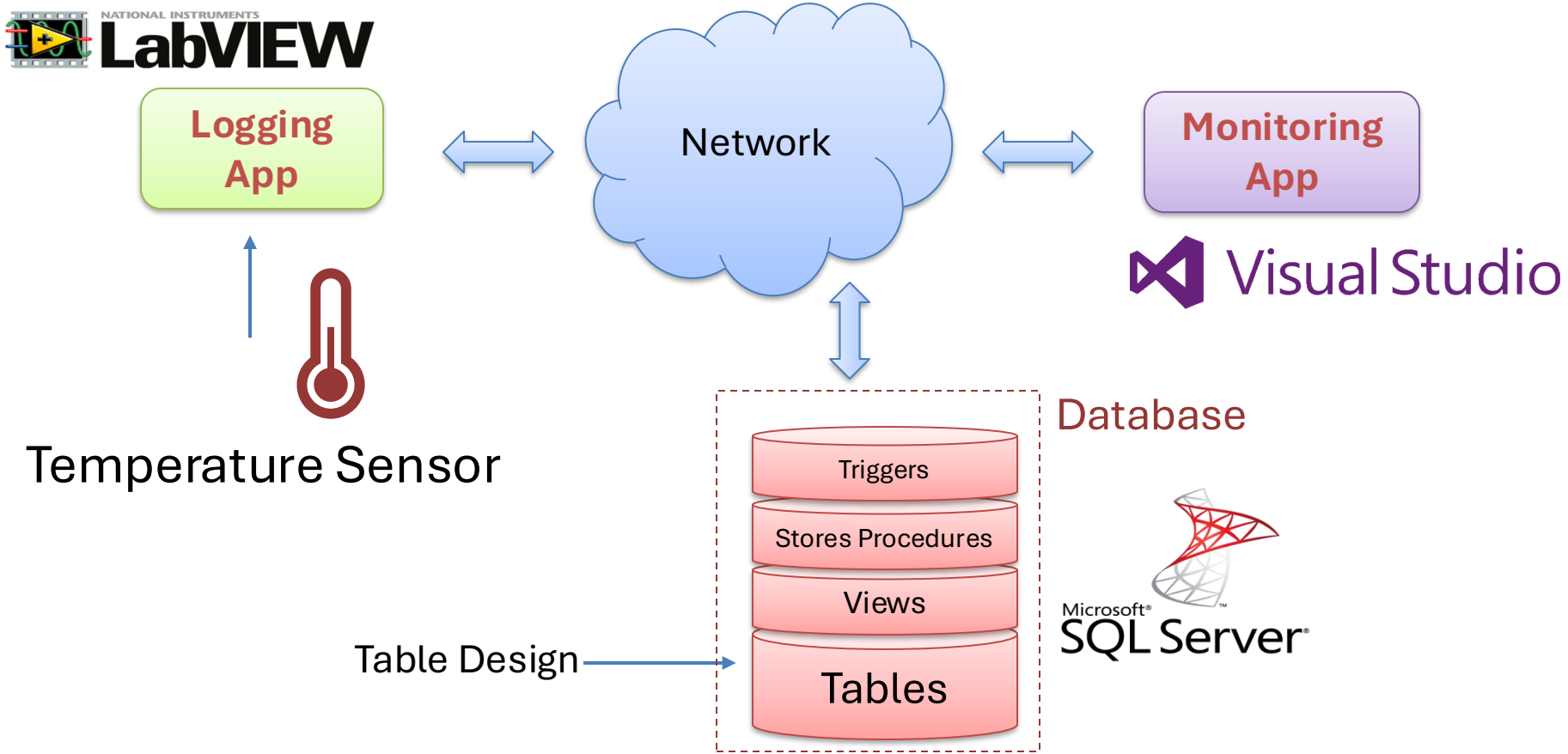

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Database Modelling and Design

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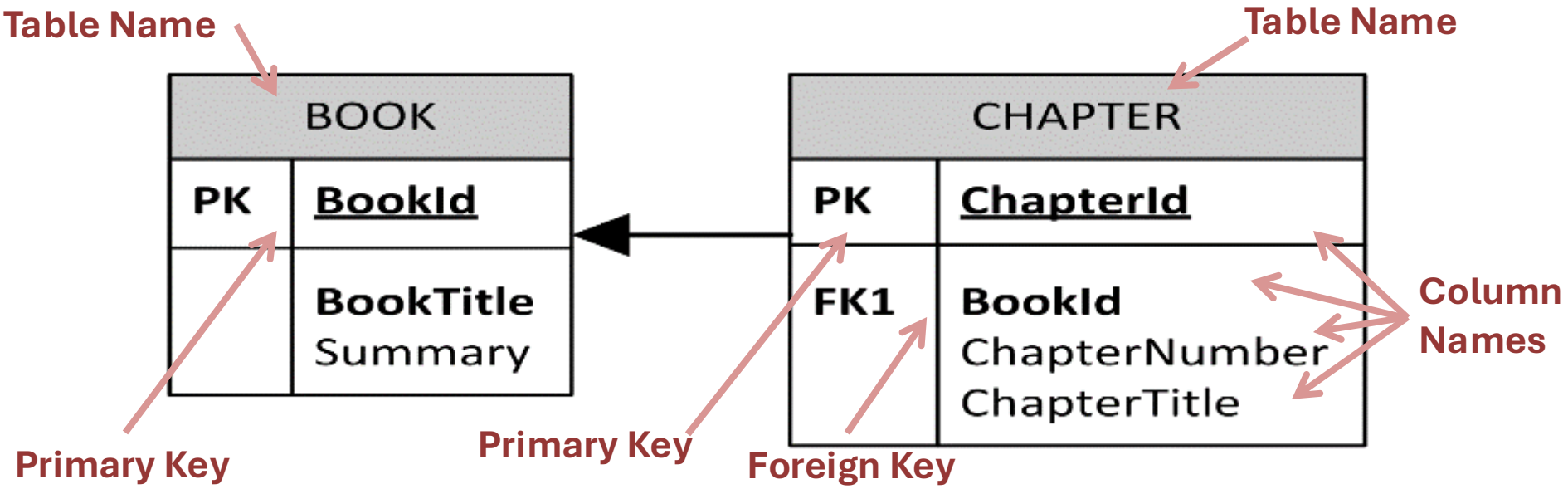
Table Name
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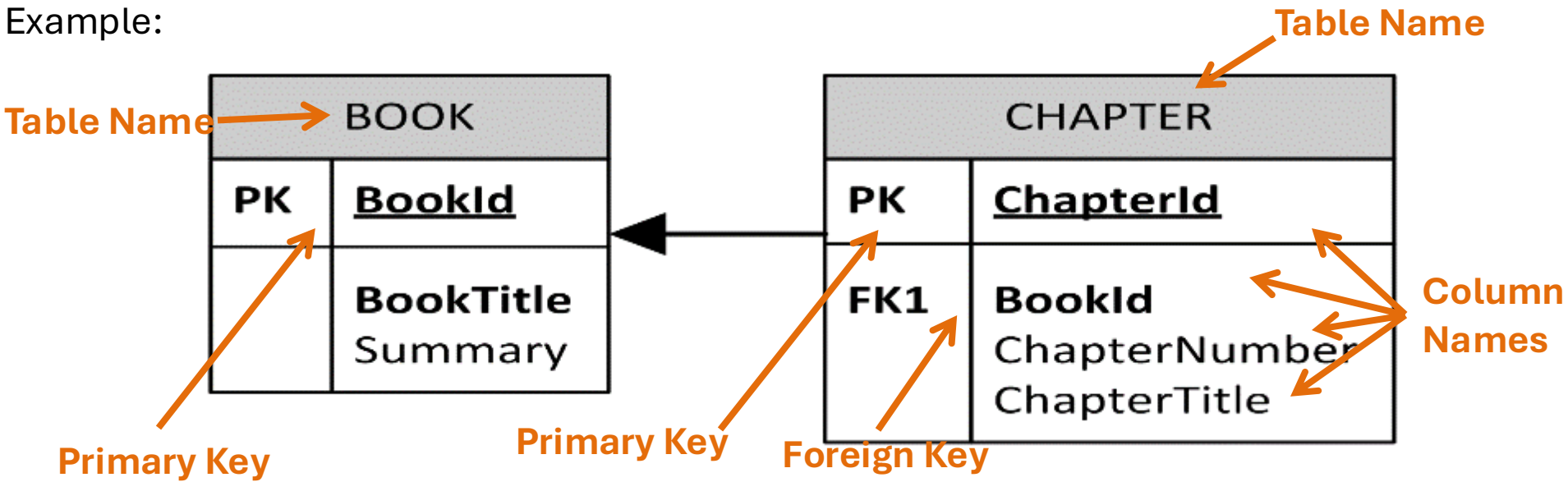
BOOK
PK
BookId
BookTitle
Summary
CHAPTER
PK
ChapterId
FK1
BookId
ChapterNumber
ChapterTitle
Column Names
Primary Key
Primary Key
Foreign Key

ER Diagram

ER Diagram (Entity-Relationship Diagram)

- Used for Design and Modeling of Databases.
- Specify Tables and **relationship** between them (**Primary Keys** and **Foreign Keys**)

Example:



Relational Database. In a relational database all the tables have one or more relation with each other using Primary Keys (PK) and Foreign Keys (FK). Note! You can only have one PK in a table, but you may have several FK's.

Database - “Best Practice”

- **Tables**: Use upper case and singular form in table names – not plural, e.g., “STUDENT” (not “students”)
- **Columns**: Use Pascal notation, e.g., “StudentId”
- **Primary Key**:
  - If the table name is “COURSE”, name the Primary Key column “CourseId”, etc.
  - “Always” use Integer and Identity(1,1) for Primary Keys. Use UNIQUE constraint for other columns that needs to be unique, e.g. “RoomNumber”
- Specify **Required** Columns (NOT NULL) – i.e., which columns that need to have data or not
- Standardize on few/these **Data Types**: *int*, *float*, *varchar(x)*, *datetime*, *bit*
- Use English for table and column names
- Avoid abbreviations! (Use “RoomNumber” – not “RoomNo”, “RoomNr”, …)

Database System

- Typically to start by creating the overall Specifications and Design for your System.
- Them Design the Database Tables using an ERD software and create a SQL Script.
- Then implement the Tables in SQL Server, e.g., using a SQL Script generated from the ERD software.
- Then Create necessary Views, Stored Procedures and Triggers within the SQL Server Management Studio. It is recommended that you save these as separate SQL Files.

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SQL Server

Database Implementation and Structured Query Language (SQL)

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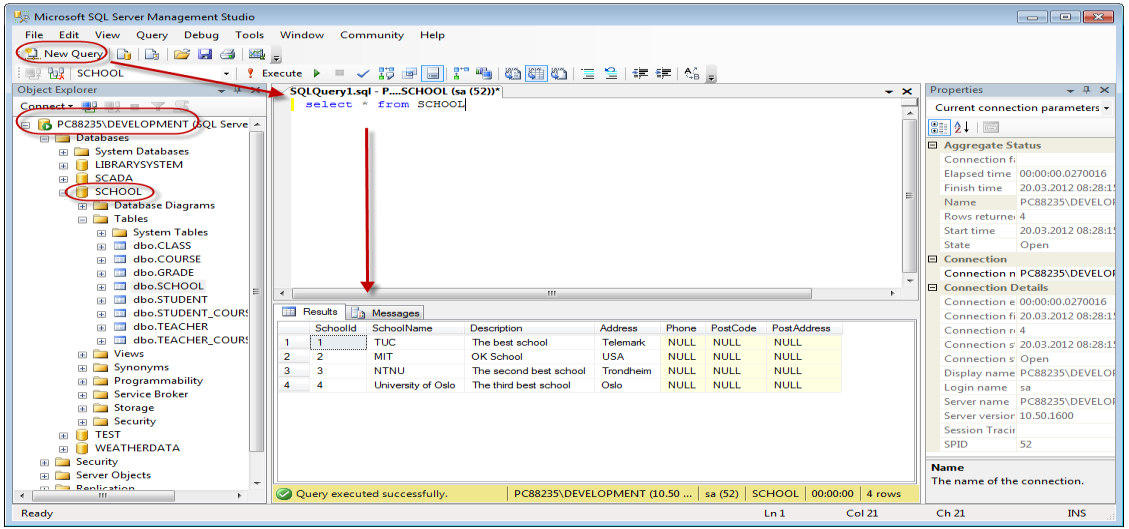
SQL Server **Management Studio**



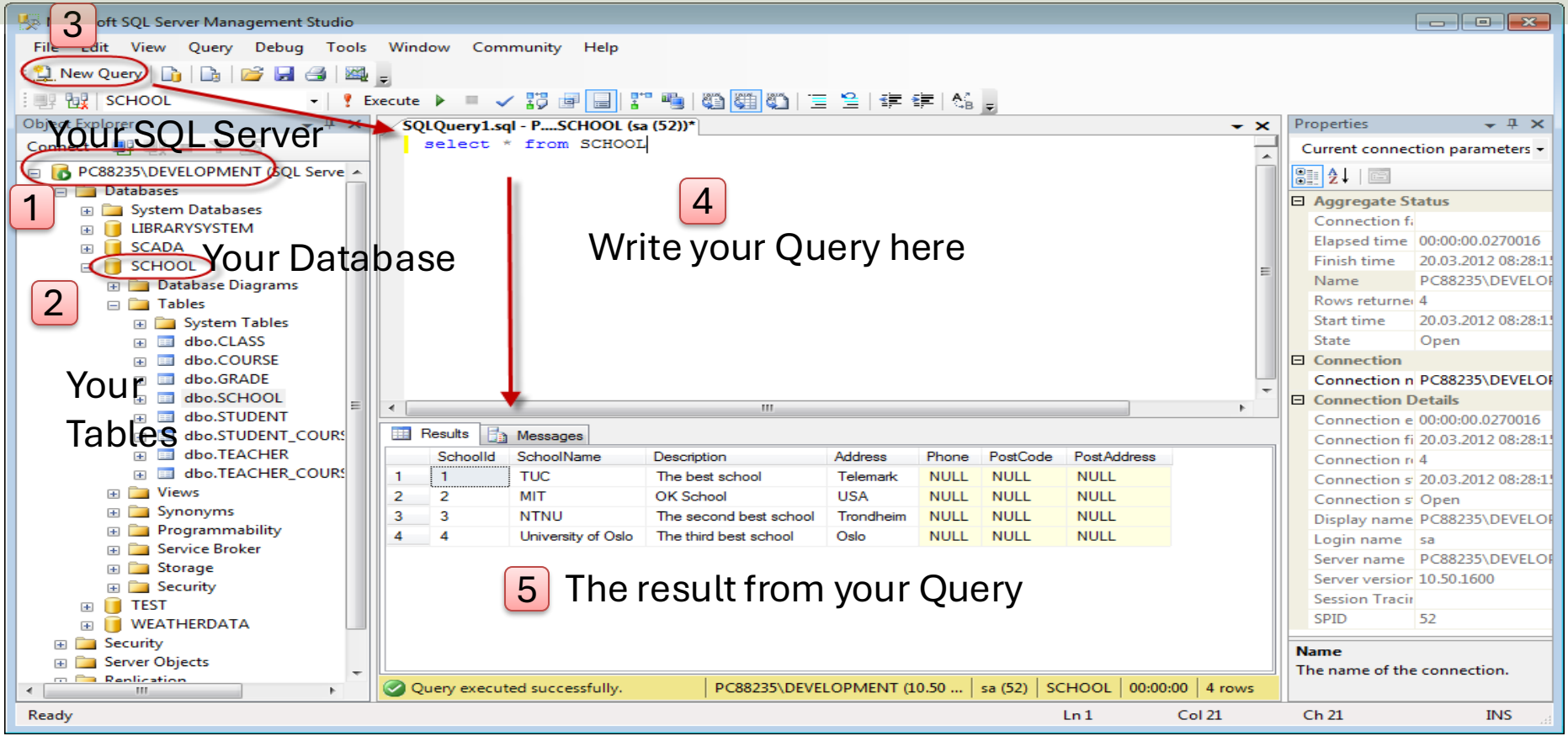
A graphical interface to the Database Engine where you can create tables and manipulate data, etc.

Note! These are 2 separate modules you need to install

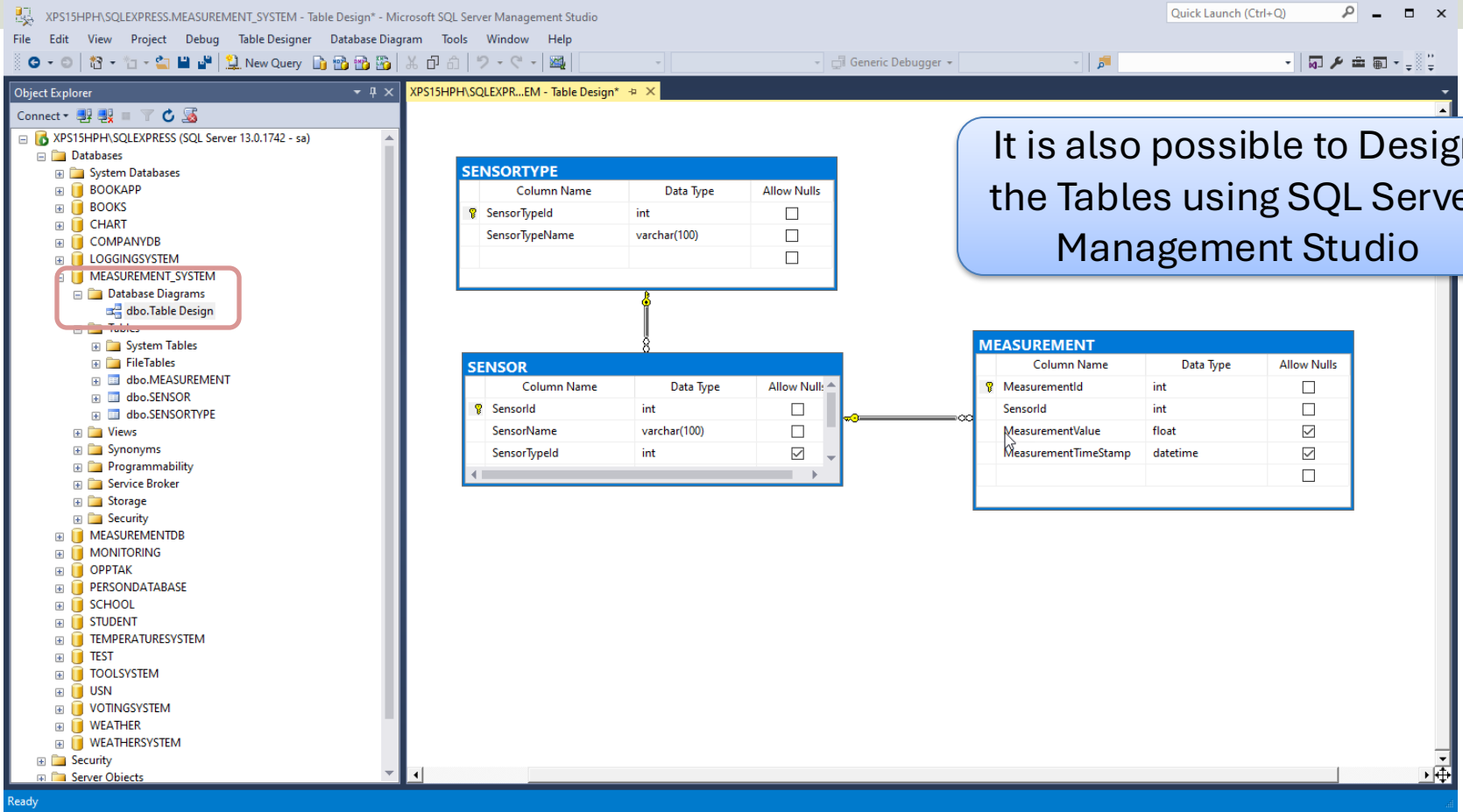
Database Design and Implementation

- Start by **Design the Database Tables using an ERD software** and create a SQL Script.
- **Implement the Tables in SQL Server**, e.g., using a SQL Script generated in the ERD software.
- **Create necessary Views, Stored Procedures and Triggers** within the SQL Server Management Studio.
  - Put each of them into a .sql file.
  - You may wait to create them until you need them in the LabVIEW or C# Code.

Microsoft SQL Server Management Studio

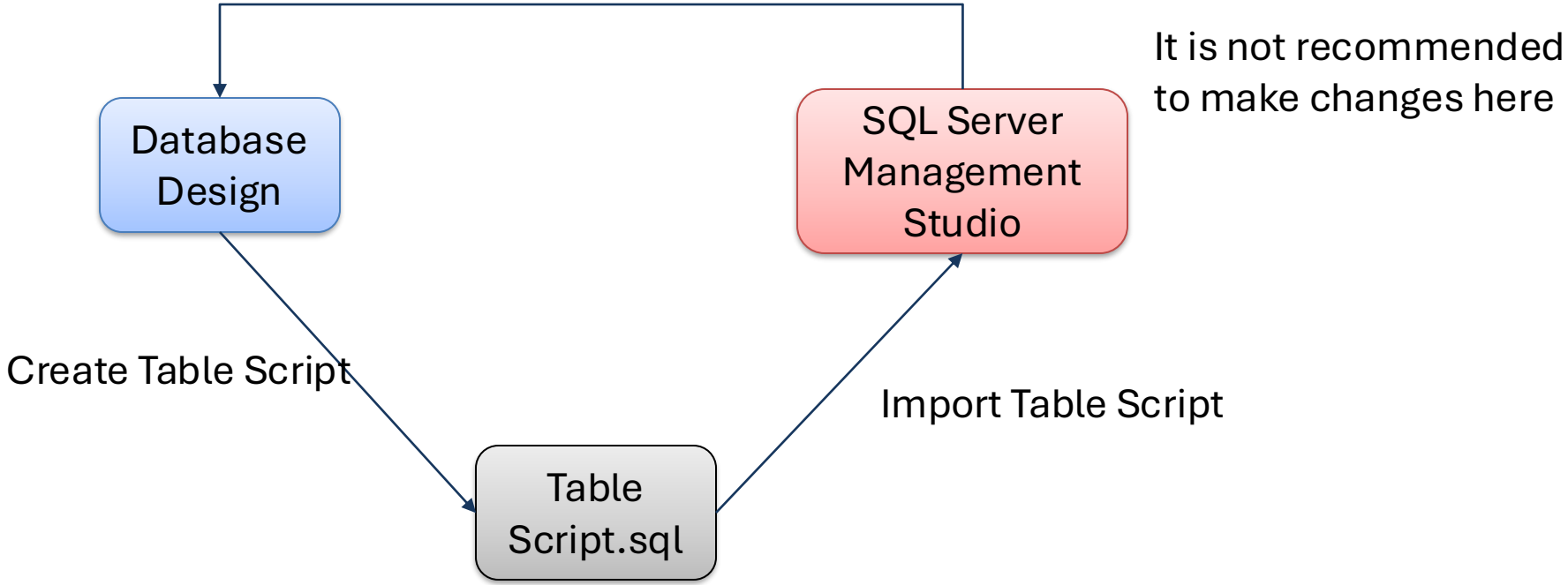


Database Design in SQL Server Management Studio



Database Design and Implementation

Need to make some improvements? Update the Table Design and import the Tables again



SQL – Structured Query Language

Query Examples:

- **insert** into STUDENT (Name , Number, SchoolId)
  values ('John Smith', '100005', 1)

- **select** SchoolId, Name from SCHOOL

- **select** * from SCHOOL where SchoolId > 100

- **update** STUDENT set Name='John Wayne' **where** StudentId=2

- **delete** from STUDENT **where** SchoolId=3

We have 4 different Query Types: **INSERT**, **SELECT**, **UPDATE** and **DELETE**

Views, Stored Procedures and Triggers

- **Views**: Views are virtual tables for easier access to data stored in multiple tables.
- **Stored Procedures**: A Stored Procedure is a precompiled collection of SQL statements. In a stored procedure you can use if sentence, declare variables, etc.
- **Triggers**: A database trigger is code that is automatically executed in response to certain events on a particular table in a database.

Database Views

- A Database View is a “virtual” table that can contain data from multiple tables
- You probably need to Create and Use one or more Database Views to get Data from the Database, both in the Data Logging App and Data Monitoring App
- It is recommended that you wait to create them until you need them in the LabVIEW or C# Code

Database Views

1 Create View:

```
IF EXISTS (SELECT name
              FROM   sysobjects
              WHERE  name = 'CourseData'
              AND      type = 'V')
           DROP VIEW CourseData
GO

CREATE VIEW CourseData
AS

SELECT
SCHOOL.SchoolId,
SCHOOL.SchoolName,
COURSE.CourseId,
COURSE.CourseName,
COURSE.Description

FROM
SCHOOL
INNER JOIN COURSE ON SCHOOL.SchoolId = COURSE.SchoolId
GO
```

A View is a "virtual" table that can contain data from multiple tables

This part is not necessary – but if you make any changes, you need to delete the old version before you can update it

The Name of the View

Inside the View you join the different tables together using the **JOIN** operator

You can Use the View as an ordinary table in Queries:

Using the View:

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```
select * from CourseData
```

	SchoolId	SchoolName	CourseId	CourseName	Description
1	1	TUC	1	Industrial IT	The best course ever
2	1	TUC	2	Control with Implementation	Control Theory
3	1	TUC	3	Systems and Control Laboratory	Practical Lav course

Database View Template

```
IF EXISTS (SELECT name
             FROM   sysobjects
             WHERE  name = '<ViewName>'
             AND      type = 'V')
          DROP VIEW <ViewName>
GO

CREATE VIEW <ViewName>
AS

SELECT
<TableName>.<ColumnName>,
<TableName>.<ColumnName>,
<TableName>.<ColumnName>,
<TableName>.<ColumnName>,
<TableName>.<ColumnName>

FROM
<TableName1>
INNER JOIN <TableName2> ON <TableName1>.<PrimKeyColumnName1> = <TableName2>.<PrimKeyColumnName2>
GO
```

Copy to SQL Server Management Studio, save as a SQL File (.sql) as the same name as the View you are going to create. Store all your files on your hard drive.

Stored Procedures

Typically, you need some Stored Procedures:

- The Datalogging App should typically use a Stored Procedure to save Measurement Data to the Database.
- The Datalogging App should typically use a Stored Procedure to save Configuration Data to the Database.
  - Logging Interval
  - Unit (Celsius or Fahrenheit)
- It is recommended that you wait to create them until you need them in the LabVIEW or C# Code

Stored Procedures

1 Create Stored Procedure:

```
IF EXISTS (SELECT name
                    FROM  sysobjects
                    WHERE  name = 'StudentGrade'
                    AND                type = 'P')
                   DROP PROCEDURE StudentGrade
GO

CREATE PROCEDURE StudentGrade
@Student varchar(50),
@Course varchar(10),
@Grade varchar(1)

AS

DECLARE
@StudentId int,
@CourseId int

select @StudentId = StudentId from STUDENT where StudentName = @Student

select @CourseId = CourseId from COURSE where CourseName = @Course

insert into GRADE (StudentId, CourseId, Grade)
values (@StudentId, @CourseId, @Grade)
GO
```

A Stored Procedure is like a Method in C# - it is a piece of code with SQL commands that do a specific task – and you reuse it

This part is not necessary – but if you make any changes, you need to delete the old version before you can update it

Procedure Name

Input Arguments

Internal/Local Variables
Note! Each variable starts with @

SQL Code (the "body" of the Stored Procedure)

2 Using the Stored Procedure:

```
execute StudentGrade 'John Wayne', 'SCE2006', 'B'
```

Stored Procedure Template

```
IF EXISTS (SELECT name
              FROM   sysobjects
              WHERE  name = '<StoredProcedureName>'
              AND       type = 'P')
           DROP PROCEDURE <StoredProcedureName>
GO

CREATE PROCEDURE <StoredProcedureName>
@<InputVariable1> <DataType>,
@<InputVariable2> <DataType>
AS

DECLARE
@<InternalVariable1> <DataType>,
@<InternalVariable2> <DataType>

select @<InternalVariable1> = <ColumnName> from <TableName> where <ColumnName> =
@<InputVariable1>

insert into <TableName> (<ColumnName1>, <ColumnName2>, ...) values (@<InternalVariable1>,
@<Inputvariable1>, ...)
GO
```

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Database Triggers

You may need one or more Triggers that do, e.g., the following:

- Convert Temperature to Celsius/Fahrenheit
  - E.g., If Unit=Celsius, the Trigger should Convert Temperature Data to Fahrenheit.
  - E.g., If Unit=Fahrenheit, the Trigger should Convert Temperature Data to Celsius.
  - Both Celsius and Fahrenheit values should probably be stored in the Database for easy access later in Monitoring App.
- Calculate Average, Max, Min Temperature Data
  - The Trigger should calculate and store Average(Mean), Max and Min Temperature Data into the Database.
- You may wait to create them until you need them in the LabVIEW or C# Code.

Database Triggers

```
IF EXISTS (SELECT name
              FROM   sysobjects
              WHERE  name = 'CalcAvgGrade'
              AND         type = 'TR')
           DROP TRIGGER CalgAvgGrade
GO

CREATE TRIGGER CalcAvgGrade ON GRADE
FOR UPDATE, INSERT, DELETE
AS

DECLARE
@StudentId int,
@AvgGrade float


select @StudentId = StudentId from INSERTED

select @AvgGrade = AVG(Grade) from GRADE where StudentId = @StudentId

update STUDENT set TotalGrade = @AvgGrade where StudentId = @StudentId

GO
```

This part is not necessary – but if you make any changes, you need to delete the old version before you can update it

A Trigger is executed when you insert, update or delete data in a Table specified in the Trigger

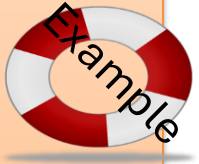
Name of the Trigger

Specify which Table the Trigger shall work on

Inside the Trigger you can use ordinary SQL statements, create variables, etc.

Specify what kind of operations the Trigger shall act on

Internal/Local Variables



SQL Code (The "body" of the Trigger)

Note! "INSERTED" is a temporarily table containing the latest inserted data, and it is very handy to use inside a trigger

Trigger Template

```
IF EXISTS (SELECT name
            FROM   sysobjects
            WHERE  name = '<TriggerName>'
            AND      type = 'TR')
         DROP TRIGGER <TriggerName>
GO

CREATE TRIGGER <TriggerName> ON <TableName>
FOR UPDATE, INSERT, DELETE --Delete the ones not needed
AS

DECLARE
@<InternalVariable1> <DataType>,
@<InternalVariable2> <DataType>

select @Variable1 = Column1 from INSERTED
select @Variable2 = AVG(Column2) from TABLE where Column1 = @Variable1
update TABLE set Column3= @Variabl2e where Column1= @Variable1

GO
```

Copy to SQL Server Management Studio, save as a SQL File (.sql) as the same name as the Trigger you are going to create. Store all your files on your hard drive.

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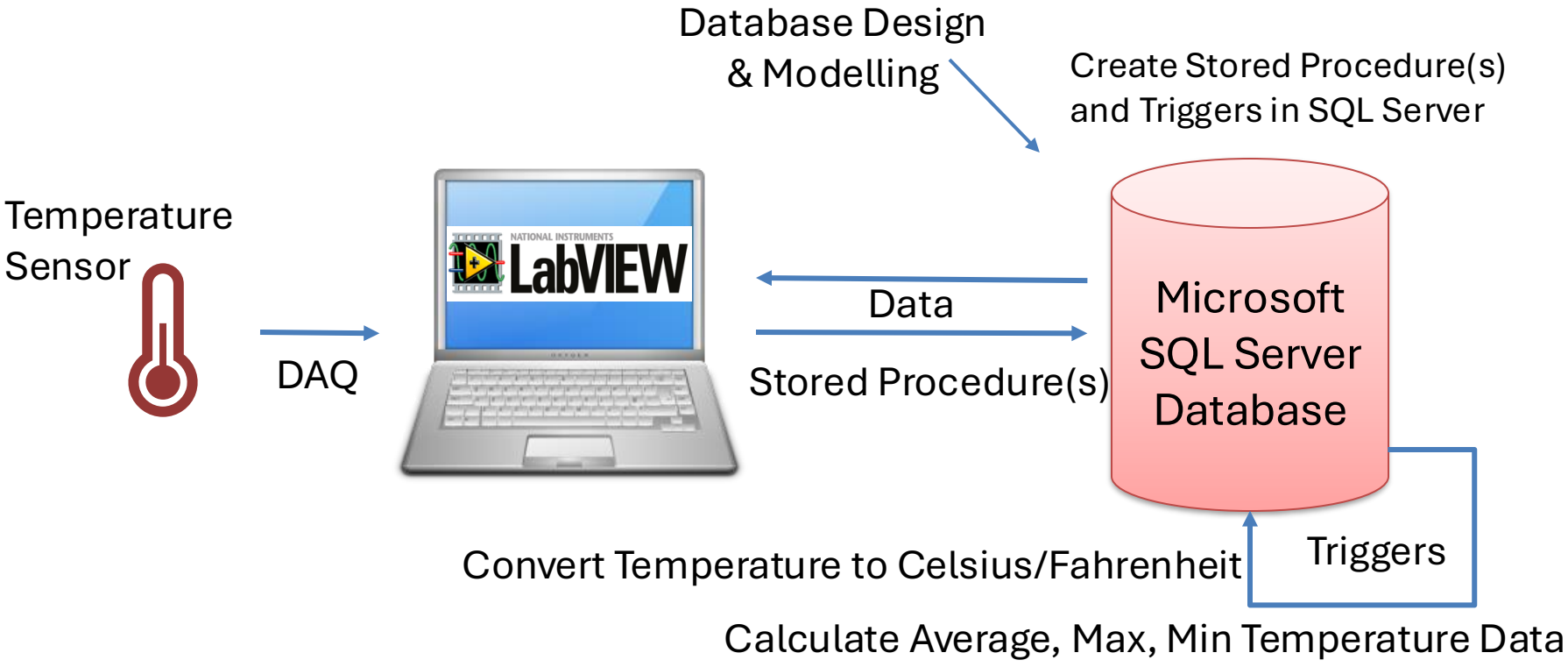
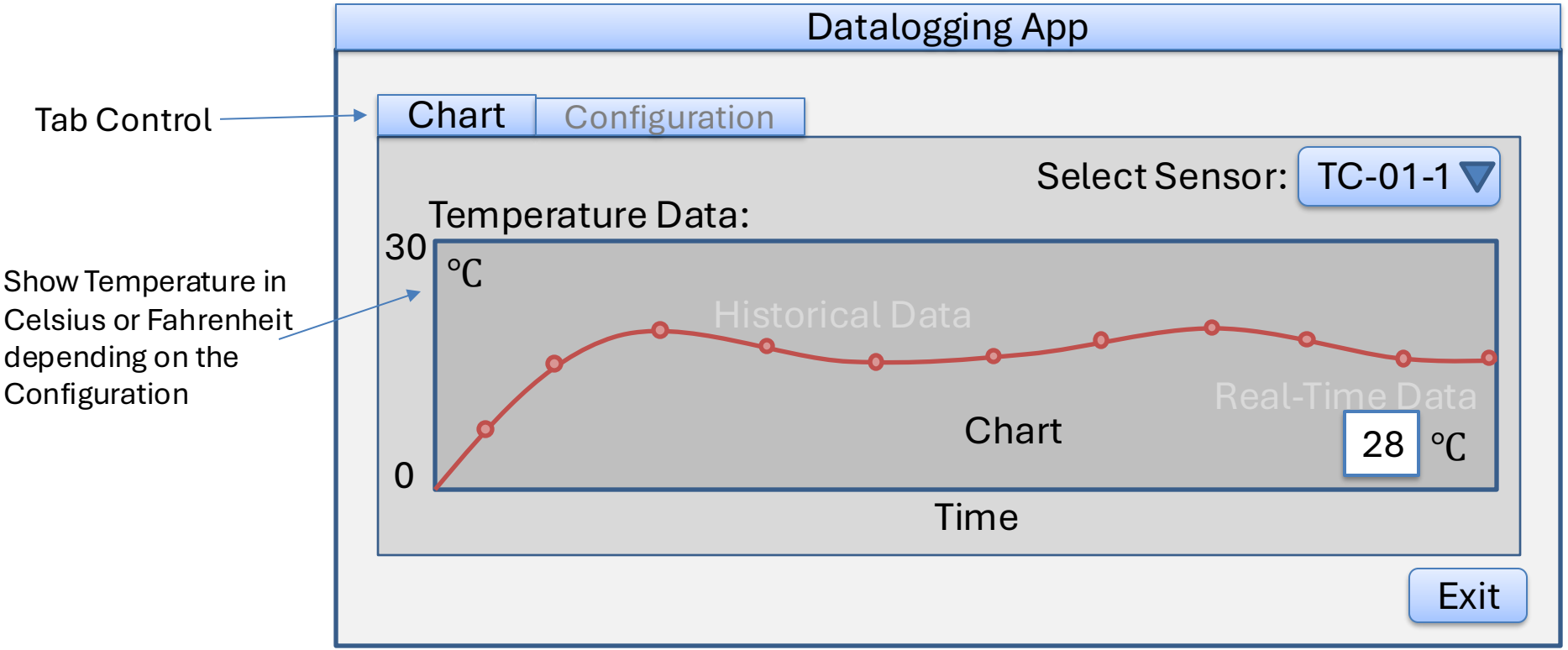


LabVIEW HMI Example

The Temperature Data from the Sensors(s) should typically be stored in the Database



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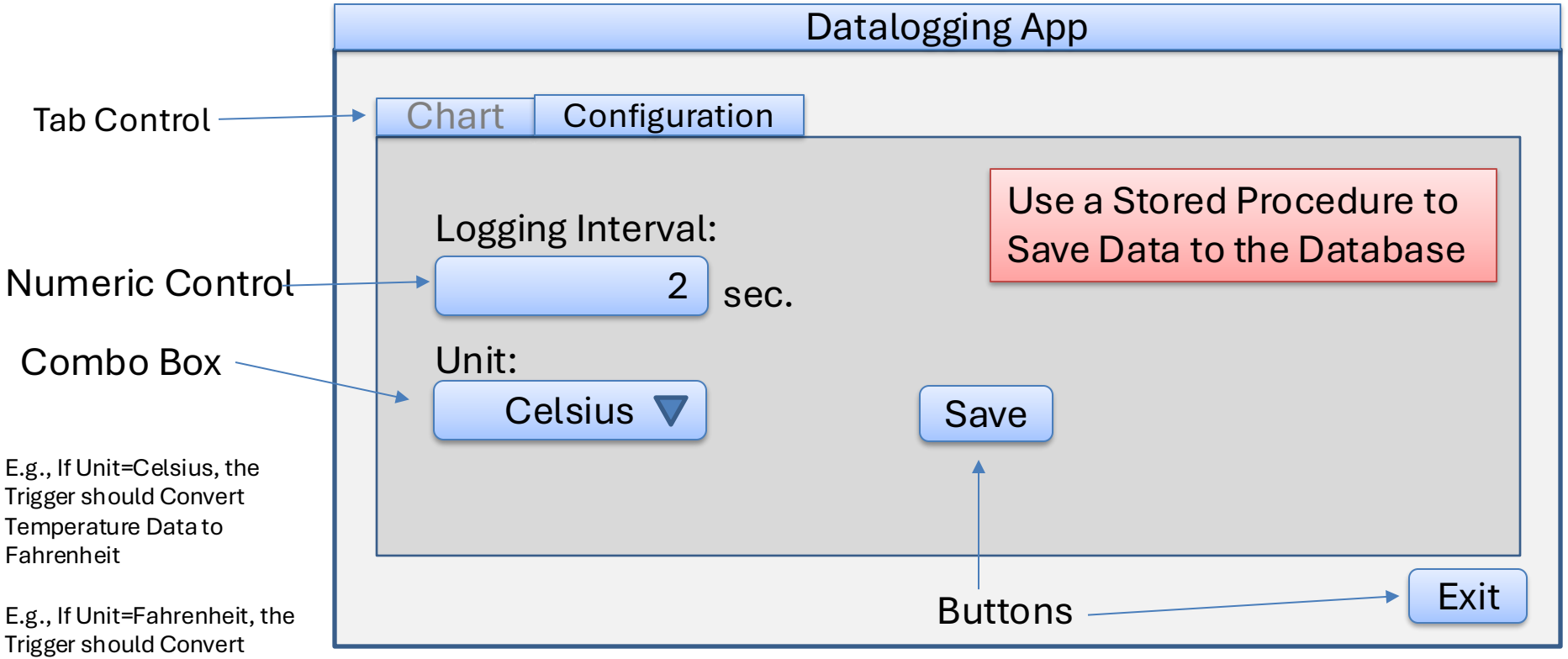
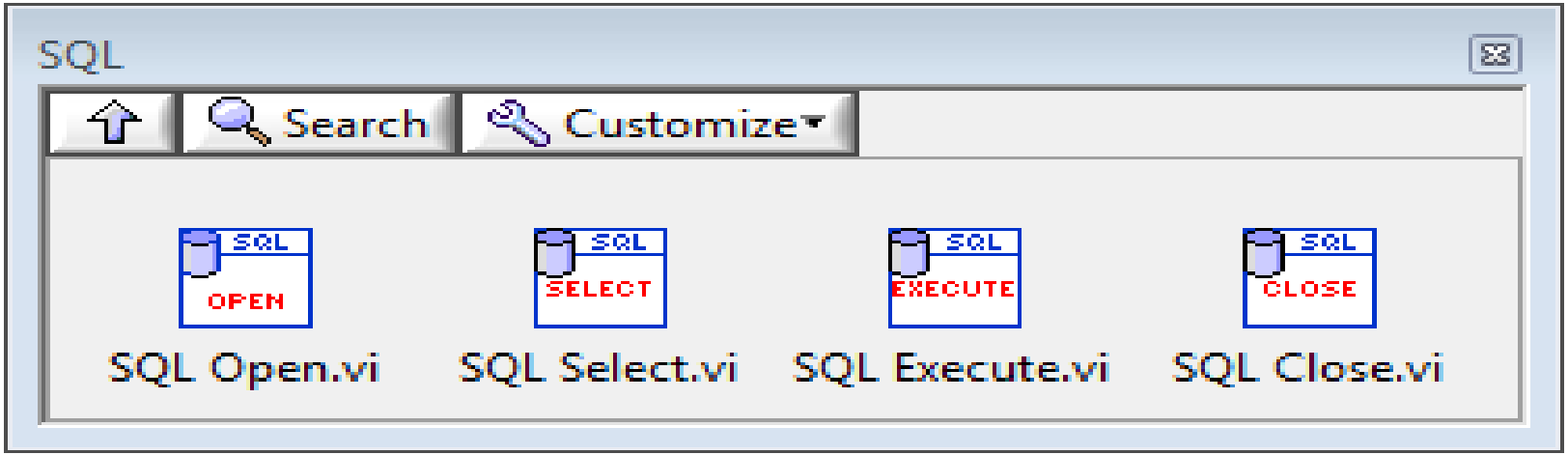


LabVIEW SQL Toolkit

For Easy Database Communication with LabVIEW



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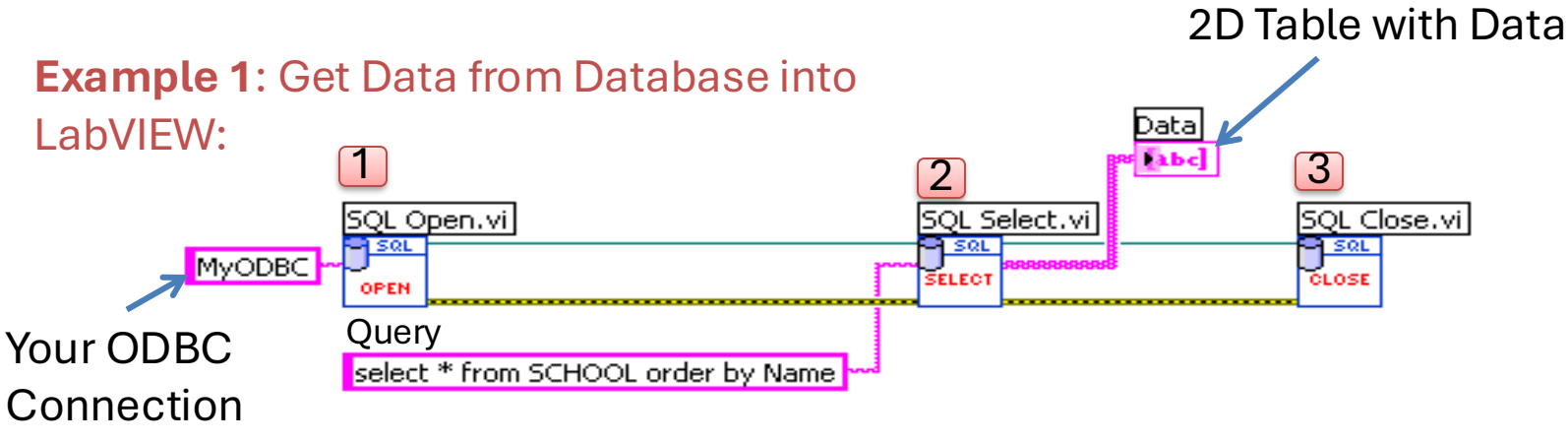
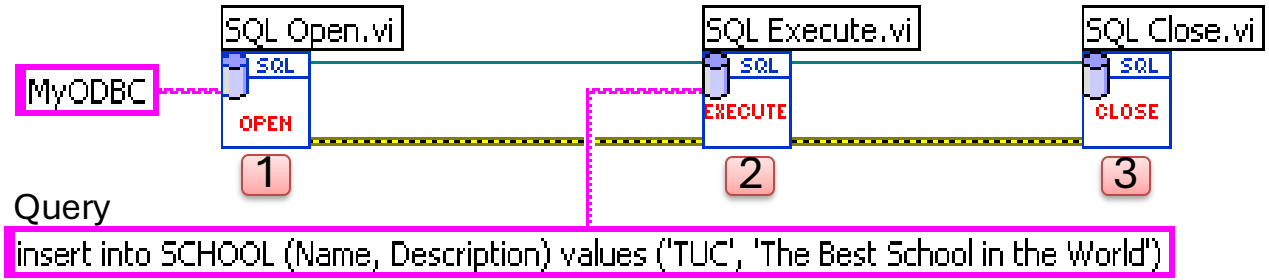
LabVIEW SQL Toolkit Example

Easy Access to Database Systems from LabVIEW

Example 1: Get Data from Database into LabVIEW:



Example 2: Write Data to Database from LabVIEW:



Connect to Database

- Alt 1: Use ODBC
  - Setup your Database connection using a Wizard ("ODBC Data Source Administrator")
- Alt 2: Use Connection String directly
  - Alt 2.2: SQL Server Authentication:

    PROVIDER=SQLOLEDB; DATA SOURCE=COMPUTERNAME\SQLEXPRESS; DATABASE=MEASUREMENTS; UID=sa; PWD=xxx;
  - Alt 2.1: Windows Authentication:

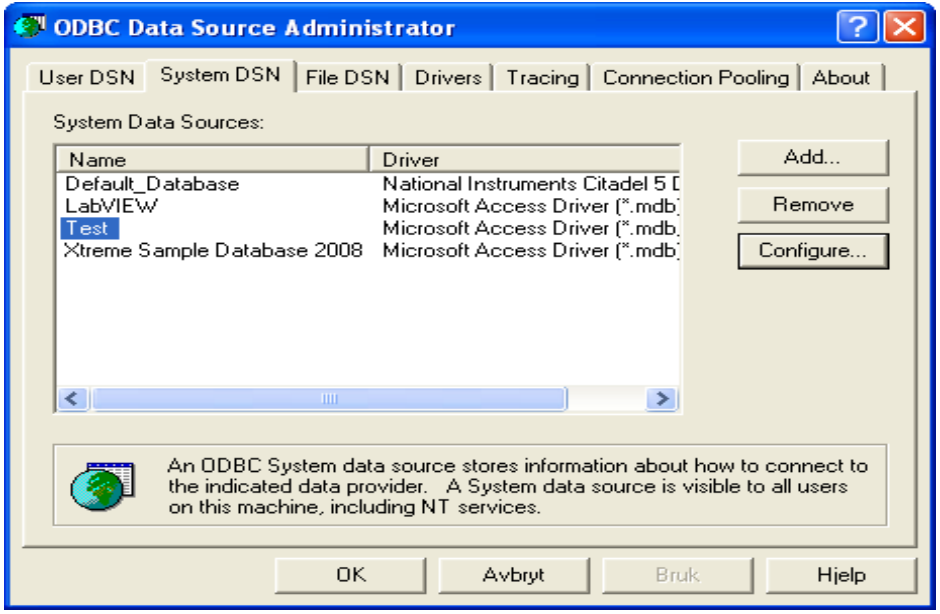
    Data Source=<dbserver>;Initial Catalog=<dbname>;Trusted_Connection=True

See Examples on next slides…

ODBC

ODBC (Open Database Connectivity) is a standardized interface (API) for accessing the database from a client. You can use this standard to communicate with databases from different vendors, such as Oracle, SQL Server, etc. The designers of ODBC aimed to make it independent of programming languages, database systems, and operating systems.

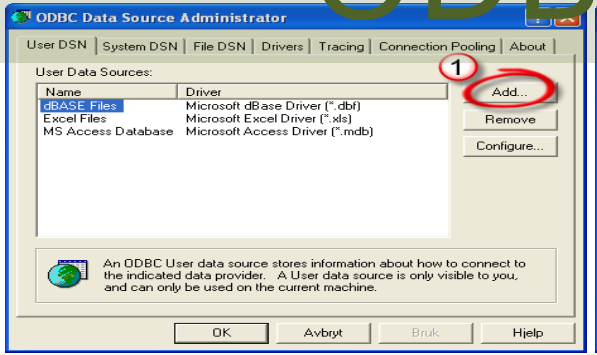
Control Panel → Administrative Tools → Data Sources (ODBC)

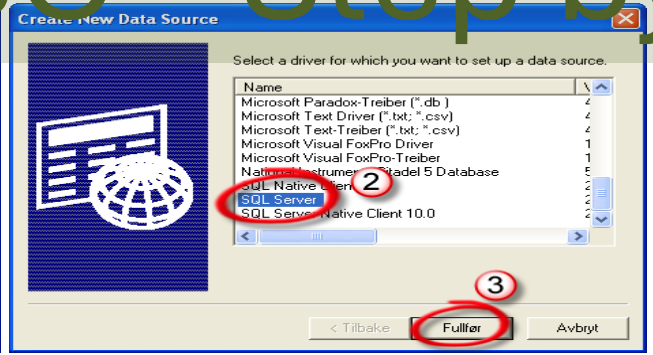


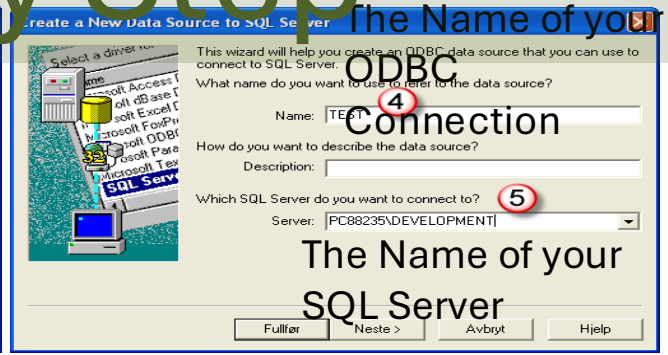
We will use this ODBC Connection later in LabVIEW to open the Database Connection from LabVIEW

Note! Make sure to use the **32-bit** version of the ODBC Tool!

ODBC – Step by Step

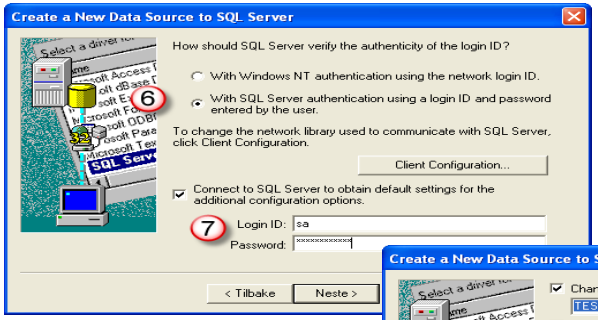






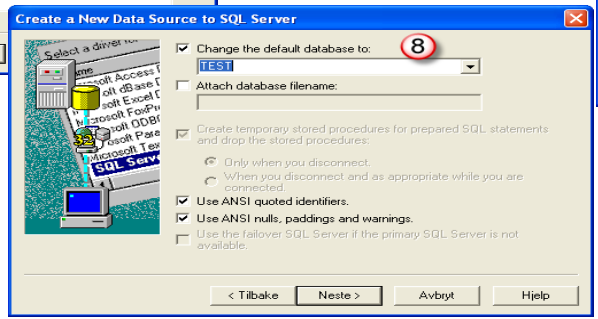
The Name of your ODBC Connection

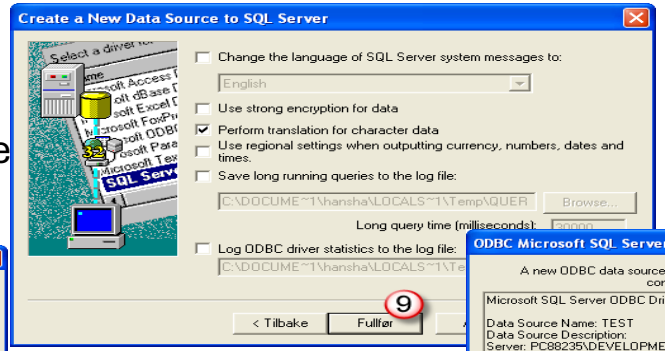
The Name of your SQL Server



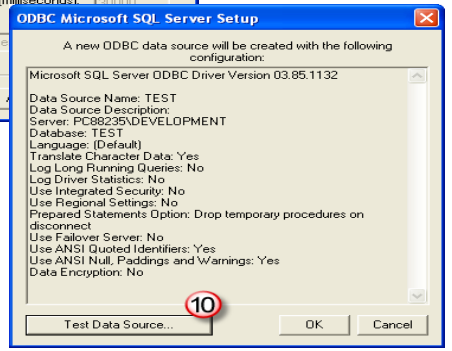
Use either Windows or SQL Server authentication (Windows is simplest to use!)

Select the Database you are using





Test your connection to see if its works



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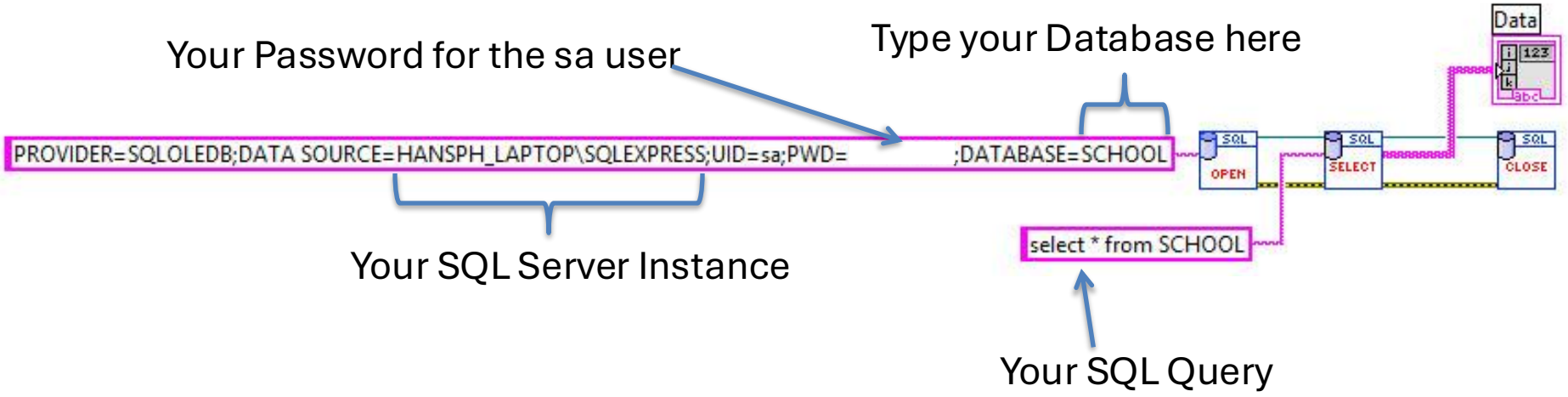
Easy Access to Database Systems from LabVIEW

Alternative Solution: Type in the **Connection String** for your Database



Note! When using this method, you don't need to create an ODBC Connection first!

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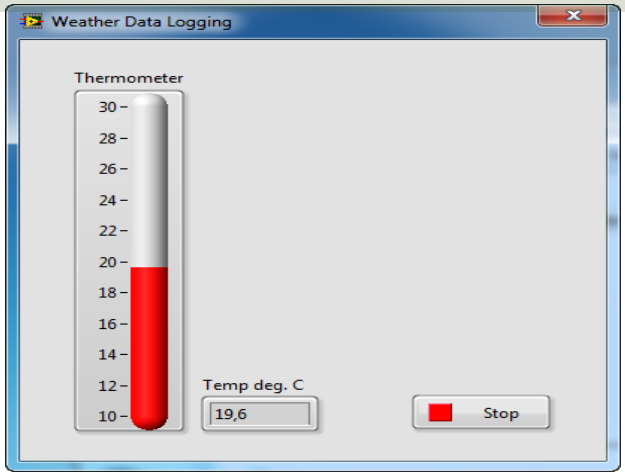
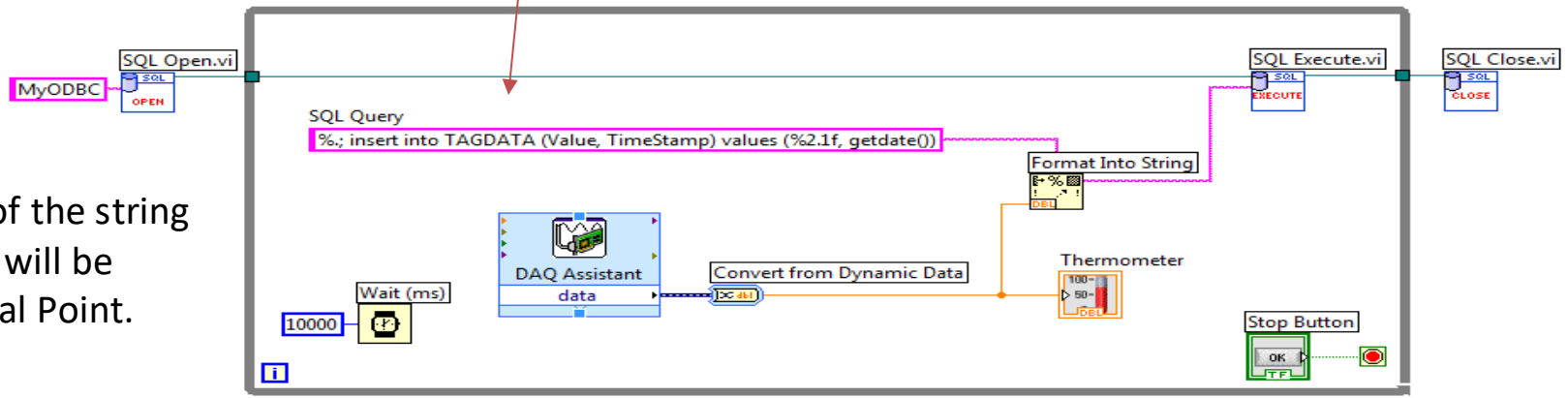


You should use a Stored Procedure for saving the Temperature Data to the Database

"%2.1f" means that this is replaced with the value that comes from the Sensor with one decimal value.
"f" means it is a floating-point value.

"%.;" in front of the string means that "." will be used as Decimal Point.



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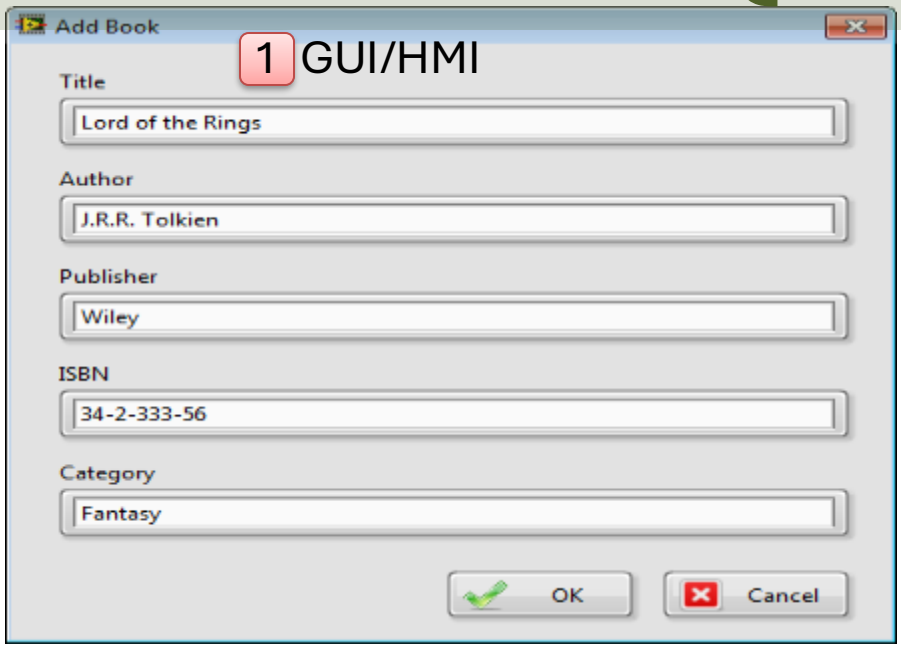
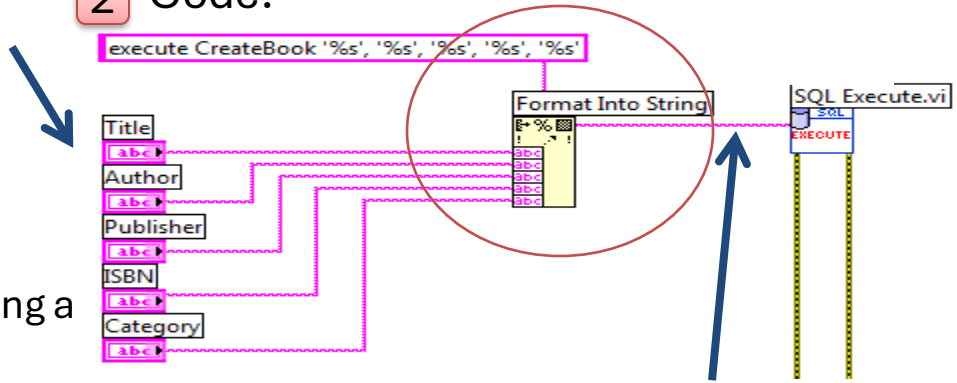


If we want to save input data from the user, we can use the "**Format Into String**" function

The **%s** operator will be replaced by the text from the TextBox on the Front Panel. For Numbers we can use **%d** (Integer) or **%f** for Floating-point Number.

2 Code:



3 Resulting SQL Query:

Example of Executing a Stored Procedure

execute **CreateBook** 'Lord of the Rings', 'J.R.R. Tolkien', Wiley', '32-2-333-56', 'Fantasy'

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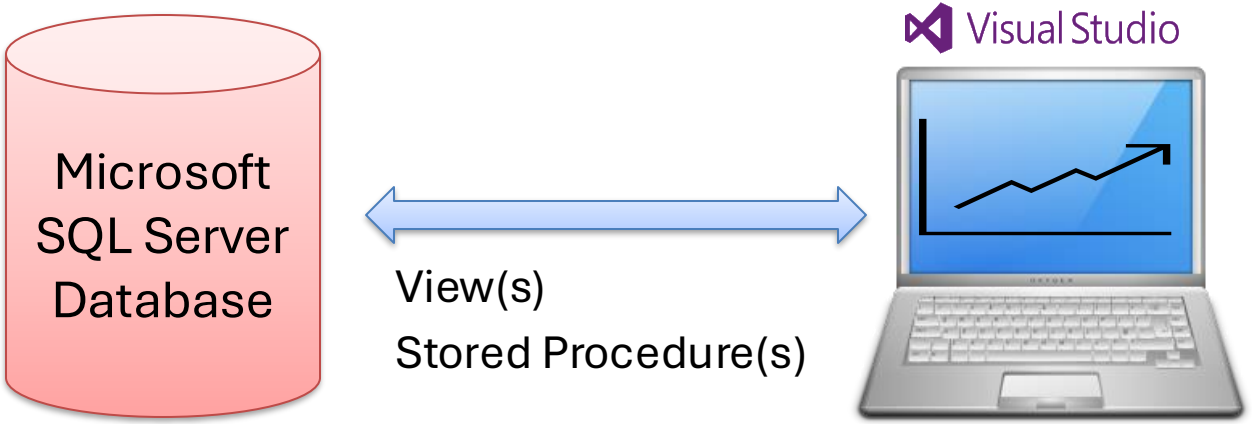
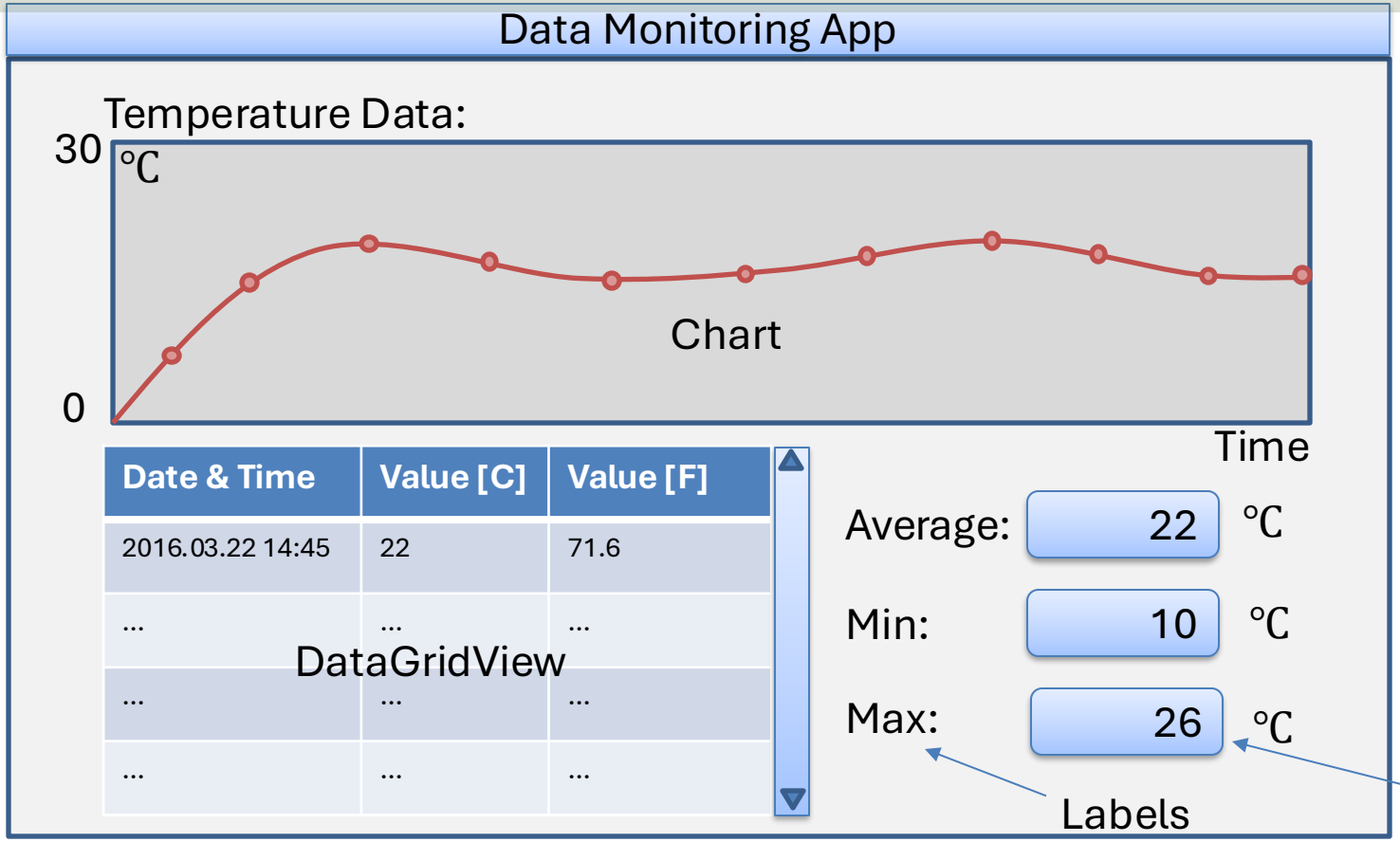


The Data Monitoring App is typically a Desktop Application (Windows Forms App) or a Web Application (ASP.NET Core App)

Data Monitoring Example



You should get the Data from the Database

Typically, you get Data from the Database using Views and/or Stored Procedures

Data Monitoring Application

Example of different Alternatives:

1. **Windows Form Desktop Application**
   - This is the “safe” choice and the recommended choice for most of you
2. **ASP.NET Core Web Application**
   - This is the “future” - for those who wants to learn something new and add an extra challenge.

Windows Forms Desktop Application

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C# Database Example

```
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.Configuration;
using System.Data.SqlClient;

namespace MonitoringApp.Classes
{
   public class SensorData
   {
      public int SensorDataId { get; set; }
      public double SensorValue { get; set; }
      public DateTime SensorDateTime { get; set; }

      public List<SensorData> GetSensorData()
      {

         string connectionString = ConfigurationManager.ConnectionStrings["DatabaseConnectionString"].ConnectionString;

         List<SensorData> sensorDataList = new List<SensorData>();

         SqlConnection con = new SqlConnection(connectionString);

         string selectSQL = "select SensorDataId, SensorValue, SensorDateTime from GetSensorData where SensorName ='TC-01'";

         con.Open();
         SqlCommand cmd = new SqlCommand(selectSQL, con);
         SqlDataReader dr = cmd.ExecuteReader();

         if (dr != null)
         {
            while (dr.Read())
            {
               SensorData sensorData = new SensorData();

               sensorData.SensorDataId = Convert.ToInt32(dr["SensorDataId"]);
               sensorData.SensorValue = Convert.ToDouble(dr["SensorValue"]);
               sensorData.SensorDateTime = Convert.ToDateTime(dr["SensorDateTime"]);

               sensorDataList.Add(sensorData);
            }
         }
         con.Close();
         return sensorDataList;
      }
   }
}
```

This example retrieves data from a specific sensor

Timer

1  Timer

2 **Initialization:**

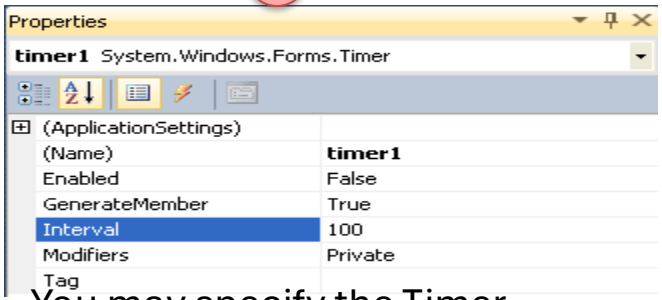
```
public Form1()
    {
      InitializeComponent();

      timer1.Start();
    }
```

Select the “Timer” component in the Toolbox

Double-click on the Timer object to create the Event

Properties: 3



You may specify the Timer Interval in the Properties Window

4 **Timer Event:**

```
private void timer1_Tick(object sender, EventArgs
e)
    {
      ... //Read from DB
      ... //Formatting
      ... //Plot Data
    }
```

Structure your Code properly!! Define Classes and Methods which you can use here

In Visual Studio you may want to use a Timer instead of a While Loop in order to read values at specific intervals.

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ASP.NET Core Web Application

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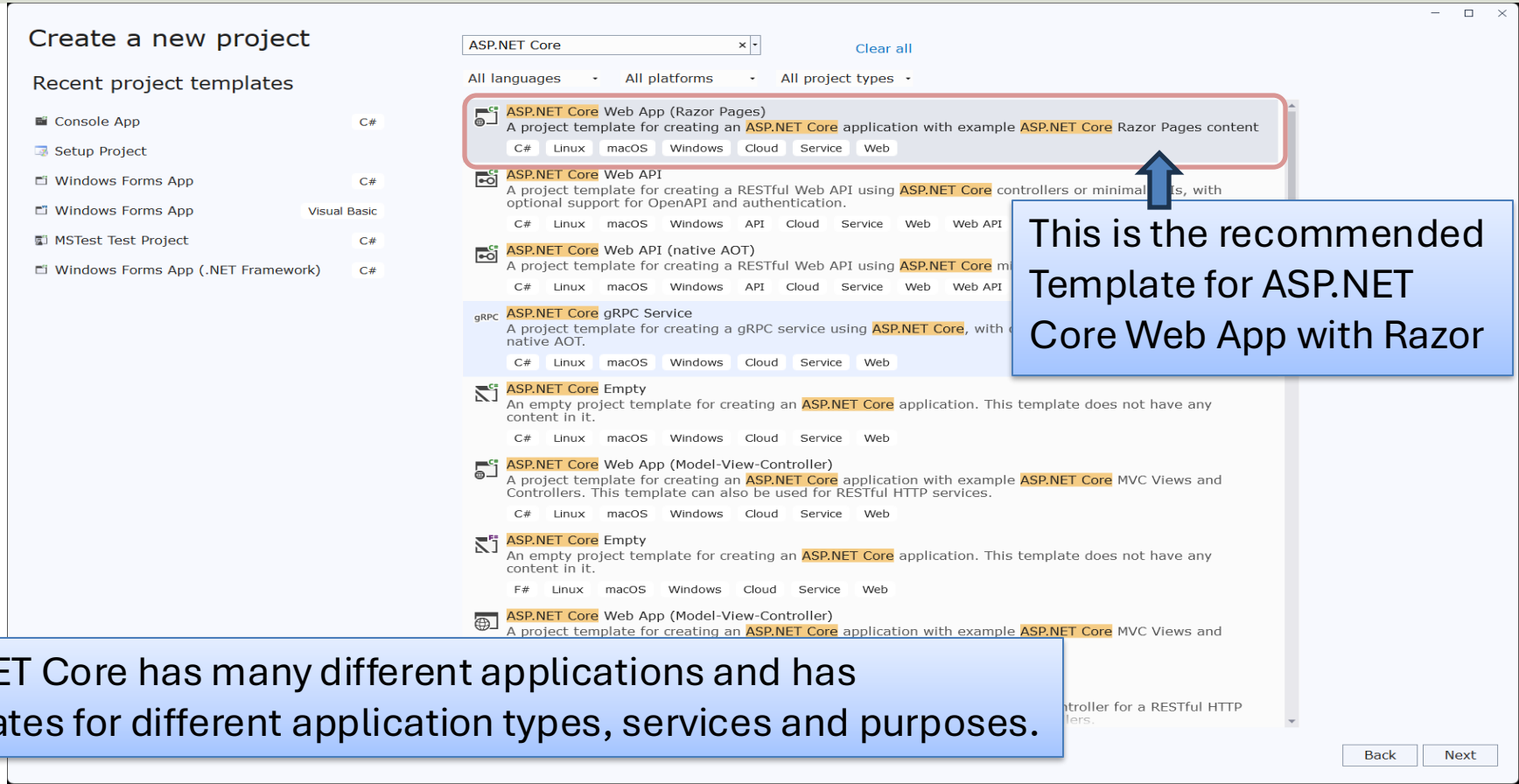
ASP.NET Core

- ASP.NET Core is a framework for web development.
- ASP.NET Core is based on .NET and C#.
- What is the difference between ASP.NET Core and .NET frameworks?
  - ASP.NET Core is specifically designed for web development, while the .NET framework covers a broader range of application types, including Windows desktop, mobile, and web applications.
- In ASP.NET Core Razor code and layout are separated into 2 files; The layout file has the extension ". cshtml", and the code-behind file has the extension ". cshtml.cs" (where "cs" is short for C#).
- The layout files ". cshtml" use something called Razor syntax and are mixed with HTML.
- ASP, ASP.NET and ASP.NET Core is made by Microsoft.
- Homepage: https://dotnet.microsoft.com/en-us/apps/aspnet

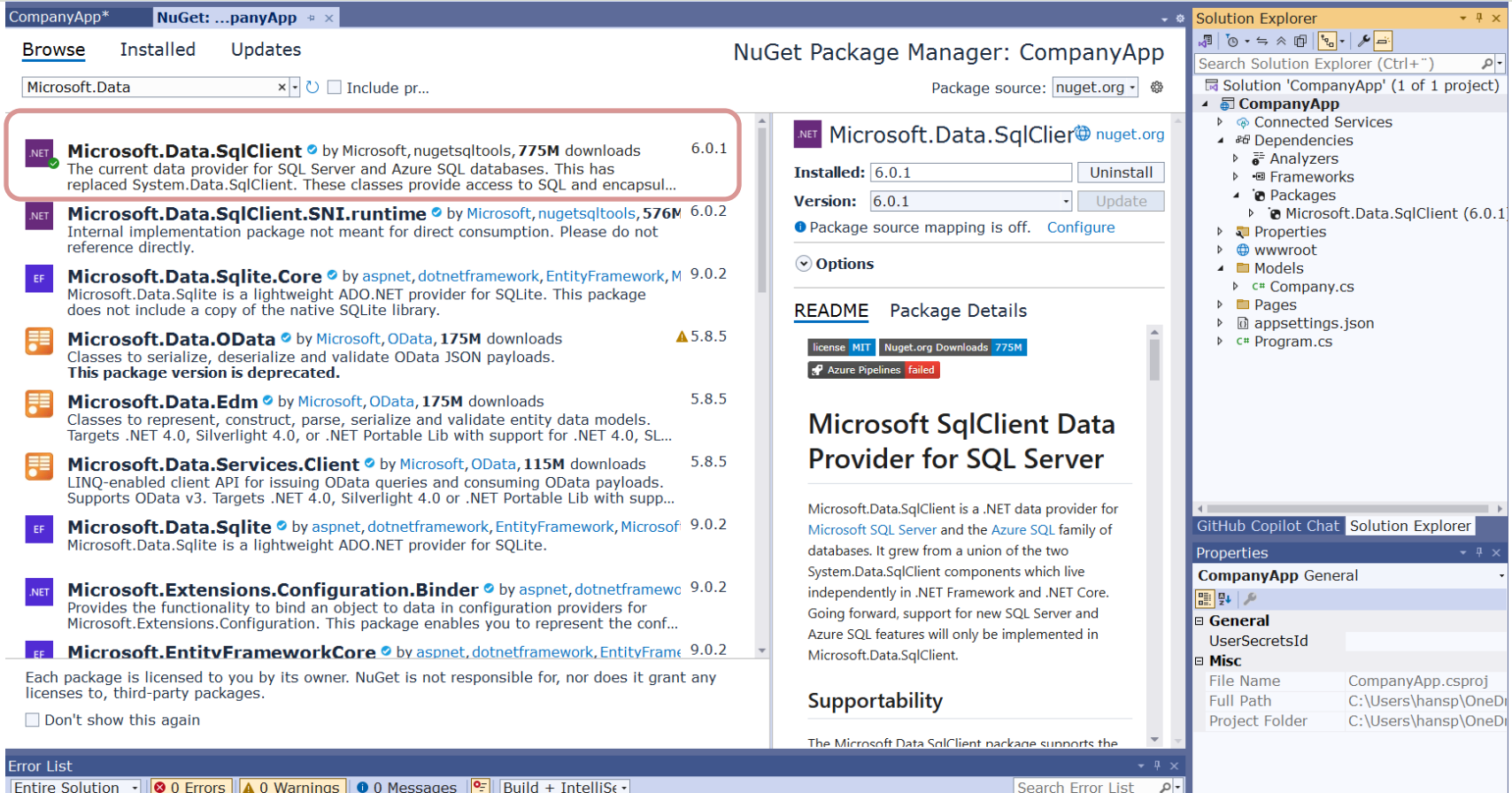
ASP.NET Core Web App with Razor



This is the recommended Template for ASP.NET Core Web App with Razor

ASP.NET Core has many different applications and has templates for different application types, services and purposes.

NuGet – Database Communication



This example retrieves data from an SQL Server Database

```
using Microsoft.Data.SqlClient;

namespace CompanyApp.Models
{
    public class Company
    {
        public int companyId { get; set; }
        public string? companyName { get; set; }
        public string? webSite { get; set; }

        public List<Company> GetCompanies()
        {
            string connectionString = "Data Source=SERVERNAME\\SQLEXPRESS;Initial Catalog=WORK;Integrated
               Security=True;TrustServerCertificate=True";
            SqlConnection con = new SqlConnection(connectionString);
            con.Open();

            string sqlQuery = "select CompanyId, CompanyName, WebSite from COMPANY";

            SqlCommand cmd = new SqlCommand(sqlQuery, con);

            SqlDataReader dr = cmd.ExecuteReader();

            List<Company> compamyList = new List<Company>();

            while (dr.Read())
            {
                Company company = new Company();

                company.companyId = Convert.ToInt32(dr["CompanyId"]);
                company.companyName = dr["CompanyName"].ToString();
                company.webSite = dr["WebSite"].ToString();

                compamyList.Add(company);
            }
            con.Close();
            return compamyList;
        }
    }
}
```

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