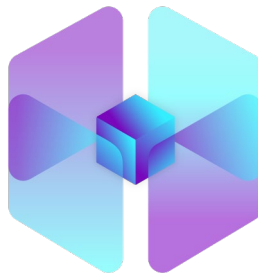


Setup Cheatsheet for Cardano nodes

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1 Resources

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[Setup tutorial video \[PHNIX\]](#)

[Security video 2FA \[EDEN\]](#)

[Synchronisation video Chrony \[EDEN\]](#)

[Configuring Grafana \[EDEN\]](#)

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2 First steps

- Create Droplet on data center or install Ubuntu on private server (16 GB RAM for v1.29.0)
- Generate SSH key with PuTTY Keygen (RSA 4096) and save it in your cold storage
- Store credentials and SSH passwords on password manager

[Note: Remember to change all highlighted fields]

3 Creating Non-Root User

```
sudo adduser [username]
sudo adduser [username] sudo
sudo su - [username]
mkdir ~/.ssh
cd .ssh
(Login with PuTTY as new user with new SSH key)
nano ~/.ssh/authorized_keys
(Paste SSH public key -> version displayed by PuTTY keygen)
```

4 Update Ubuntu

```
sudo apt-get update
sudo apt-get upgrade
```

5 Disable Root Login/Set New SSH Port

```
sudo nano /etc/ssh/sshd_config
➔ uncomment port and add number & "PermitRootLogin no"
   "PasswordAuthentication no"
```

```
sudo systemctl restart ssh  
  
sudo systemctl status ssh  
-> test that login in with root is no longer possible. Add firewall  
rules for droplets
```

6 Creating firewall

```
sudo ufw default deny incoming  
sudo ufw default allow outgoing  
sudo ufw limit proto tcp from any to any port [custom ssh port]  
sudo ufw limit proto tcp from any to any port [Cardano port for node]
```

6.1 For Relay Nodes

```
sudo ufw allow [relay port]/tcp
```

6.2 For Producer Node

```
sudo ufw allow proto tcp from [relay 1 ip] to any port [producer port]  
sudo ufw allow proto tcp from [relay 2 ip] to any port [producer port]
```

6.3 Finally (both)

```
sudo ufw enable  
sudo systemctl restart ssh  
sudo ufw status
```

7 Disable Wifi and Bluetooth (Hardware server)

```
systemctl stop bluetooth  
systemctl disable bluetooth.service  
nmcli radio wifi off
```

8 Disable sleep, hibernation and ping command

```
sudo systemctl mask sleep.target suspend.target hibernate.target  
hybrid-sleep.target  
sudo sysctl -w net.ipv4.icmp_echo_ignore_all=1
```

9 Configure SWAP for RAM

```
# Swap utilizes disk space to temporarily handle spikes in memory usage
# Skip this section if you have limited disk space, (you're running a
raspberrypi, for instance).

# Show current swap configuration
sudo swapon --show

# Check what swap is currently active, if any
free -h

# Check current disk usage
df -h

# Create swap file (Don't forget the "G")
sudo fallocate -l <SIZE EQUAL TO RAM>G /swapfile

# Verify swap settings
ls -lh /swapfile

# Only root can access swapfile
sudo chmod 600 /swapfile

# Mark the file as swap space
sudo mkswap /swapfile

# Enable swap settings every time we log in
# Make a backup of /etc/fstab
sudo cp /etc/fstab /etc/fstab.bak

# Type this command from the command-line to add swap settings to the
end of fstab
echo '/swapfile none swap sw 00' | sudo tee -a /etc/fstab

# Enable swap
sudo swapon -a

# Verify swap is enabled
free -h
```

10 Security (Google 2FA & Fail2Ban)

```
# Checks logs for ssh logins
sudo journalctl -u ssh
```

```
# Checks logs for ssh logins with more details
sudo journalctl -eu ssh
```

```
sudo apt install libpam-google-authenticator
# y to all questions
google-authenticator
sudo nano /etc/ssh/sshd_config
```

➔ ChallengeResponseAuthentication yes | usePAM yes

```
sudo systemctl restart ssh
```

```
sudo nano /etc/pam.d/sshd
```

➔ Include:

```
#One-time authentication via Google Authenticator
auth required pam_google_authenticator.so
```

```
sudo nano /etc/ssh/sshd_config
```

➔ Include (at the end of file):

```
AuthenticationMethods publickey,keyboard-interactive
```

```
sudo systemctl restart ssh
sudo apt install fail2ban
sudo systemctl status fail2ban
```

```
#checks banned IPs
sudo iptables -L | grep f2b
```

```
#if the config file must be changed (defaults are OK)
cd /etc/fail2ban
sudo nano jail.conf
```

11 Synchronisation

```
sudo apt-get install chrony
systemctl status chrony
sudo nano /etc/chrony/chrony.conf
```

➔ Replace:

```
pool time.google.com          iburst minpoll 2 maxpoll 2 maxsources
3 maxdelay 0.3
pool time.facebook.com        iburst minpoll 2 maxpoll 2 maxsources
3 maxdelay 0.3
pool time.euro.apple.com      iburst minpoll 2 maxpoll 2 maxsources
3 maxdelay 0.3
```

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```
pool time.apple.com          iburst minpoll 2 maxpoll 2 maxsources
3 maxdelay 0.3
pool ntp.ubuntu.com          iburst minpoll 2 maxpoll 2 maxsources
3 maxdelay 0.3

maxupdateskew 5.0

makestep 0.1 -1

#GET TAI-UTC offset and leap seconds from the system tz database
leapsectz right/UTC
```

➔ Include:

```
# Serve time even if not synchronized to a time source
local stratum 10

sudo systemctl restart chrony
```

12 Installing Prereqs

```
mkdir "$HOME/tmp"
cd "$HOME/tmp"
curl -sS -o prereqs.sh https://raw.githubusercontent.com/cardano-
community/guild-operators/master/scripts/cnode-helper-
scripts/prereqs.sh

chmod 755 prereqs.sh
./prereqs.sh -f
. "${HOME}/.bashrc"
```

13 Installing cardano-node and cardano-cli

```
cd ~/git
git clone https://github.com/input-output-hk/cardano-node
cd cardano-node
git fetch --tags --all
git pull
git checkout $(curl -s https://api.github.com/repos/input-output-
hk/cardano-node/releases/latest | jq -r .tag_name)

$CNODE_HOME/scripts/cabal-build-all.sh -o

#test installation
cardano-cli version
cardano-node version
```

14 Get mainnet-alonzo-genesis.json file

```
cd $CNODE_HOME/files
curl -sL -f -o alonzo-genesis.json https://hydra.iohk.io/job/Cardano/iohk-nix/cardano-deployment/latest-finished/download/1/mainnet-alonzo-genesis.json

chmod 755 alonzo-genesis.json
ls -l
nano config.json
```

➔ Include:

```
"AlonzoGenesisFile": "/opt/cardano/cnode/files/alonzo-genesis.json",
"AlonzoGenesisHash":
"7e94a15f55d1e82d10f09203fa1d40f8eede58fd8066542cf6566008068ed874",
```

```
sudo systemctl restart cnode
```

15 Configuring CNODE script to use all available CPU cores

```
cd $CNODE_HOME/scripts
lscpu
#remember number of property "CPU(s)" -> available cores
sudo nano cnode.sh
#uncomment CPU variable and set it to max number of available cores
#save changes and restart node (this avoids missing slots)
```

16 Configuring Env and Starting Node

```
cd $CNODE_HOME/scripts
nano env
```

Change line with CNODE_PORT to:

```
CNODE_PORT=[DESIRED NODE PORT]
```

Press Ctrl + X to exit

Press Y to save modified buffer

Press Enter to keep file name

```
./deploy-as-systemd.sh
```



```
[ When Asked About topologyUpdater Select Y for Relays and N for Producer ]
```

```
sudo systemctl start cnode.service
sudo systemctl status cnode.service
./gLiveView.sh #OR ./sLiveView.sh
```

17 Editing topologyUpdater.sh For Relays

```
cd $CNODE_HOME/scripts
nano topologyUpdater.sh
```

Delete # from line with CUSTOM_PEERS and change to:

```
CUSTOM_PEERS = "producer ip:port|relays-new.cardano-
mainnet.iohk.io:3001:2"
```

Press Ctrl + X to exit

Press Y to save modified buffer

Press Enter to keep file name

```
sudo systemctl restart cnode.service
```

18 Editing topology.json for Producer

```
cd $CNODE_HOME/files
nano topology.json
```

Delete Everything and add:

```
{
  "Producers": [
    {
      "addr": "relay 1 ip",
      "port": relay port,
      "valency": 1
    },
    {
      "addr": "relay 2 ip",
      "port": other relay port,
      "valency": 1
    }
  ]
}
```

Press Ctrl + X to exit

Press Y to save modified buffer

Press Enter to keep file name

```
sudo systemctl restart cnode.service
```

19 Creating wallet/Registering pool

```
./cntools.sh
```

20 Monitoring

20.1 Configuring Grafana

20.1.1 Relay (host) part I

```
cd $CNODE_HOME/scripts
./setup_mon.sh #setup script from cntools
```

```
#open ports for Prometheus, EKG & Grafana
```

```
sudo ufw allow proto tcp from 127.0.0.1 to any port 9090
```

```
sudo ufw allow proto tcp from 127.0.0.1 to any port 9091
```

```
sudo ufw allow proto tcp from 127.0.0.1 to any port 12798
```

```
sudo ufw allow proto tcp from any to any port 5000
```

```
#Now you can check the Grafana dashboard in a browser (PC has to be
connected to local network) -> [IP|DNS]:5000
```

```
#Check port forwarding in router in case that this doesn't work
```

```
#Get JSON config and copy it from this link
```

```
#On Grafana Client: Dashboards->manage->add new panel(button)-
>dashboard settings (icon)-> JSON Model->Paste JSON config and save
```

20.1.2 BP

```
cd $CNODE_HOME/files
```

```
sudo nano config.json
```

```
#change hasPrometheus property (ip: 0.0.0.0) and save -> restart node
```

```
sudo systemctl restart cnode.service
```

```
cd
```

```
cd tmp
```

```
wget https://raw.githubusercontent.com/DamjanOstrelj/Cardano-
stuff/master/setup_node_exporter.sh

chmod 755 setup_node_exporter.sh

./setup_node_exporter.sh

sudo ufw allow proto tcp from [IP host] to any port 9091
sudo ufw allow proto tcp from [IP host] to any port 12798
netstat -tulnp # test that the ports are open and being listened
```

20.1.3 Relay (host) part II

```
cd $CNODE_HOME
cd ..
cd monitoring
cd Prometheus
sudo nano prometheus.yml
# Add in scrape_configs
- job_name: 'VIMinerII_cardano_node'
  static_configs:
  - targets: ['[Local IP BP]:12798']
    labels:
      instance: "VIMinerII_cnode"
- job_name: '[BP_NAME]_node_exporter'
  static_configs:
  - targets: ['[Local IP BP]:9091']
    labels:
      instance: "[BP_NAME]_node_exporter"

sudo systemctl restart Prometheus
sudo systemctl status prometheus
sudo systemctl restart node_exporter.service
```

21 Miscellaneous commands

21.1 Check for missing slots

```
curl localhost:12798/metrics | grep
"cardano_node_metrics_slotsMissedNum_int"
```

21.2 Logging (Debug)

```
journalctl -e -f -u cnode.service
```