Getting Down and Dirty with Elasticsearch

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Elasticsearch



Elasticsearch real time, search and analytics engine



scales massively Elasticsearch real time, distributed search and analytics engine



scales
massively
high
availability

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JSON over HTTP

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schema free

Elasticsearch real time, search and analytics engine

distributed

elasticsearch.

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Elasticsearch real time, search and analytics engine

distributed multi tenancy

elasticsearch.

open-source

RESTful API

JSON over HTTP

scales massively

Elasticsearch

high availability

real time,

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Elasticsearch real time, search and analytics engine

based
distributed
multi
tenancy

Lucene

Cool.



Cool. Bonsai cool...



This is WHY we use it...



- > ./bin/elasticsearch
- > _

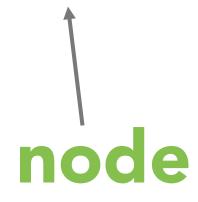


But HOW do we use it?











HTTP port









GET /



```
GET /
 "name" : "Exploding Man",
 "tagline": "You Know, for Search",
 "ok" : true,
 "status" : 200,
 "version" : {
   "number" : "0.90.7",
   "snapshot build" : false
```



Where do we start?



With data



```
{
  "tweet": "I think #elasticsearch is AWESOME",
  "nick": "@clintongormley",
  "name": "Clinton Gormley",
  "date": "2013-06-03",
  "rt" : 5,
  "loc": {
     "lat": 13.4,
     "lon": 52.5
  }
}
```

How to put it into ES?

PUT /index/type/id



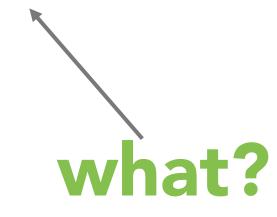
PUT /index/type/id



PUT /myapp/type/id



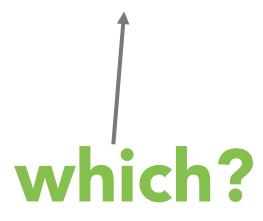
PUT /myapp/type/id



PUT /myapp/tweet/id



PUT /myapp/tweet/id





PUT /myapp/tweet/1



```
PUT /myapp/tweet/1 -d
 "tweet": "I think #elasticsearch is AWESOME",
 "nick": "@clintongormley",
 "name": "Clinton Gormley",
 "date": "2013-06-03",
 "rt": 5,
 "loc": {
   "lat": 13.4,
   "lon": 52.5
```

201 CREATED

```
"_index": "myapp",
"_type": "tweet",
"_id": "1",
"_version": 1,
"ok": true
}
```

Get



GET /myapp/tweet/1



```
# 200 OK

{
    "_index": "myapp",
    "_type": "tweet",
    "_id": "1",
    "_version": 1,
    "exists": true,
    "_source": { ...OUR TWEET...}
}
```

Exists?



HEAD /myapp/tweet/1



HEAD /myapp/tweet/1 # 200 OK



HEAD /myapp/tweet/1 # 200 OK
HEAD /myapp/tweet/2 # 404 Not Found

Update



```
PUT /myapp/tweet/1 -d '
  "tweet": "I know #elasticsearch is AWESOME",
  "nick": "@clintongormley",
  "name": "Clinton Gormley",
  "date": "2013-06-03",
  "rt": 5,
  "loc": {
    "lat": 13.4,
    "lon": 52.5
```

→ atomic DELETE & PUT



200 OK

```
{
    "_index": "myapp",
    "_type": "tweet",
    "_id": "1",
    "_version": 2,
    "ok": true
}
```

Delete



DELETE /myapp/tweet/1



```
# 200 OK
```

```
"_index": "myapp",
"_type": "tweet",
"_id": "1",
"_version": 3,
"ok": true,
"found": true
}
```

Optimistic concurrency control

Optimistic concurrency control without locking

```
PUT /myapp/tweet/1?version=3 -d '
{
    ...
}
'
```

200 OK



```
PUT /myapp/tweet/1?version=2 -d '
{
    ...
}
'
```

409 Conflict



Update in place



GET → change → PUT



Cheaper in bulk



Mirror external DB

Client

Any
datastore

Elasticsearch

Standalone

Client



Elasticsearch



"Empty" Search

GET /_search



```
GET /_search
{
   "took": 2,
```

elasticsearch.

```
GET /_search
{
  "took": 2,
  "timed_out": false,
```

elasticsearch.

elasticsearch.

```
GET / search
"took":
       2,
"timed_out" : false,
"_shards" : {
  "total" : 10,
 "successful" : 10,
  "failed" :
},
"hits" : {
  "total" : 14,
  "max_score" : 1.0,
 "hits": [ { ... }]
```



GET /_search

Multi-index Multi-type



GET /index/_search



GET /index/_search
GET /index1,index2/ search



```
GET /index/_search
GET /index1,index2/_search
GET /ind*/_search
```

```
GET /index/_search
GET /index1,index2/_search
GET /ind*/_search
GET /index/type/_search
```

GET /index/_search

GET /index1,index2/_search

GET /ind*/_search

GET /index/type/_search

GET /index/type1,type2/ search

GET /index/ search GET /index1,index2/ search GET /ind*/ search GET /index/type/ search GET /index/type1,type2/ search GET /index/type*/ search

```
GET /index/ search
GET /index1,index2/ search
GET /ind*/ search
GET /index/type/ search
GET /index/type1,type2/ search
GET /index/type*/ search
GET / all/type*/ search
```



Pagination



Pagination size = num of results

Pagination

size = num of results

from = results to skip



GET /_search?size=5&from=0
GET /_search?size=5&from=5
GET /_search?size=5&from=10

Search Lite



Search Lite

GET /_search?q=name:john



+tweet:foo +name:john +date:>2013-05-01



+tweet:foo +name:john +date:>2013-05-01

→ percent encoding →



+tweet:foo +name:john +date:>2013-05-01

→ percent encoding →

?q=%2Btweet%3Afoo+%2Bname%3Ajohn+ %2Bdate%3A%3E2013-05-01





GET /_search?q=mary

- → user named "Mary"
- → tweets by "Mary"
- → tweet mentioning "@mary"



- → user named "Mary"
- → tweets by "Mary"
- → tweet mentioning "@mary"



_all field

string values from all other fields



GET /_search?q=2013

→ 12 results

elasticsearch.

```
GET /_search?q=2013

→ 12 results

GET /_search?q=2013-06-03

→ 12 results!!
```

```
GET /_search?q=2013

→ 12 results

GET /_search?q=2013-06-03

→ 12 results!!

GET /_search?q=date:2013-06-03

→ 1 result
```

```
GET / search?q=2013
→ 12 results
GET / search?q=2013-06-03
→ 12 results!!
GET / search?q=date:2013-06-03
→ 1 result
GET / search?q=date:2013
→ 0 results!!
```



datatype differences?



check "mapping" (field definitions)

GET /myapp/tweet/_mapping



```
GET /myapp/tweet/_mapping
  "tweet" : {
    "properties" : {
     "tweet" : { "type" : "string" },
     "name" : { "type" : "string" },
     "nick" : { "type" : "string" },
     "date" : { "type" : "date" },
     "rt": { "type": "long" },
     "loc" : {
       "type": "object",
       "properties" : {
         "lat" : { "type" : "double" },
         "lon" : { "type" : "double" }
}}}
```



Exact value vs Full text



Exact value vs Full text

10

4.5

2013-01-01

true

Foo

foo



Exact value vs Full text

10

4.5

2013-01-01

true

Foo

foo

The quick

brown fox

jumped

over the

lazy dog



"The quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog"

"Quick brown foxes leap over lazy dogs in summer"



→ separate words / terms

"The quick brown fox jumped over the lazy dog"

"Quick brown foxes leap over lazy dogs in summer"



→ separate words / terms

The, quick, brown, fox, jumped, over, the, lazy, dog

Quick, brown, foxes, leap, over, lazy, dogs, in, summer



- → separate words / terms
- → sort unique terms

The, quick, brown, fox, jumped, over, the, lazy, dog

Quick, brown, foxes, leap, over, lazy, dogs, in, summer



- → separate words / terms
- → sort unique terms

The, brown, dog, fox, jumped, lazy, over, quick, the

Quick, brown, dogs, foxes, in, lazy, leap, over, summer



Inverted index

- → separate words / terms
- → sort unique terms
- → list docs containing terms

The, brown, dog, fox, jumped, lazy, over, quick, the

Quick, brown, dogs, foxes, in, lazy, leap, over, summer



Term	Doc 1	Doc 2
Quick		
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dog		
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fox		
foxes		
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dog		

q=quick brown

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elasticsearch

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quick		
summer		
the		



Term	Doc 1	Doc 2
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dog		

q=+Quick +foxes

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elasticsearch

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quick		
summer		
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Term	Doc 1	Doc 2
Quick		
The		
brown		
dog		

No matches!

jumped	
lazy	
leap	
over	
quick	
summer	
the	

elasticsearch

Improving recall



Term	Doc 1	Doc 2
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normalize terms



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normalize terms in query too!

Term	Doc 1	Doc 2
brown		
dog		
fox		

q=+Quick +foxes

lazy					
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fox		

q=+quick +foxes

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"Analysis"



"Analysis"

tokenization + normalization



"Analyzers"

tokenizer + token filters



"The Quick Brown Fox jumped over the Lazy Dog!"



→ standard tokenizer

"The Quick Brown Fox jumped over the Lazy Dog!"



→ standard tokenizer

The, Quick, Brown, Fox, jumped, over, the, Lazy, Dog



- → standard tokenizer
- → lowercase filter

The, Quick, Brown, Fox, jumped, over, the, Lazy, Dog



- → standard tokenizer
- → lowercase filter



- → standard tokenizer
- → lowercase filter
- → stopwords filter



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- → lowercase filter
- → stopwords filter

```
,quick,brown,fox,jumped,
  over, ,lazy,dog
```



english analyzer

- → standard tokenizer
- → lowercase filter



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- → lowercase filter
- → english stemmer



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```



english analyzer

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```
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over, ,lazy,dog
```





$$date = 2013-06-03$$
 $all = 2013,06,03$

GET /_search?q=2013

→ 12 results

elasticsearch.

GET /_search?q=2013

→ 12 results

GET /_search?q=2013-06-03

→ 12 results

GET /_search?q=2013

→ 12 results

GET /_search?q=2013 OR 06 OR 03

→ 12 results

```
GET /_search?q=2013

→ 12 results

GET /_search?q=2013-06-03

→ 12 results

GET /_search?q=date:2013-06-03

→ 1 result.
```



```
GET / search?q=2013
→ 12 results
GET / search?q=2013-06-03
→ 12 results
GET / search?q=date:2013-06-03
→ 1 result
GET / search?q=date:2013
→ 0 results
```



Field mapping



Core field types

Strings: string

Datetimes: date

Whole numbers: byte, short, integer, long

Floats: float, double

Booleans: boolean

Objects: object



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Booleans: boolean

Objects: object

Also: multi_field, ip, geo_point, geo_shape,



Dynamic detection



Dynamic detection

```
"foo bar"
                  string
"2013-01-01"
                 date
                 byte, short, integer, long
10
10.0
                  float, double
                  boolean
true
{ foo: "bar" } object
["foo","bar"]
                 No special mapping. Any
                  field can have multi-vals
```



Most important: type



```
"tweet" : {
    "properties" : {
      "tweet" : { "type" : "string"
                                         },
      "name" : { "type" : "string"
                                         },
      "nick" :
                  { "type" : "string"
                                         },
      "date" : { "type" : "date"
                                         },
                  { "type" : "long"
      "rt" :
                                         },
      "loc" : {
       "type": "object",
        "properties" : {
          "lat" : { "type" : "double"
          "lon" : { "type" : "double"
} } }
```



```
"tweet" : {
    "properties" : {
     "tweet" : { "type" : "string"
                                         },
                  { "type" : "string"
      "name" :
      "nick" :
                  { "type" : "string"
      "date" :
                  { "type" : "date"
                                         },
     "rt" :
                  { "type" : "long"
                                         },
     "loc" :
                  { "type" : "geo_point"
}}}
```

Full text vs Exact string

Full text: (default)

```
{ "type": "string", "index": "analyzed" }
```



Full text: (default)

```
{ "type": "string", "index": "analyzed" }
```

Exact string:

```
{ "type": "string", "index": "not_analyzed" }
```



Full text: (default)

```
{ "type": "string", "index": "analyzed" }
```

Exact string:

```
{ "type": "string", "index": "not_analyzed" }
```

Not searchable:

```
{ "type": "string", "index": "no" }
```



```
"tweet" : {
   "properties" : {
     "tweet" : { "type" : "string"
                                       },
                 { "type" : "string"
     "name" :
     "nick":
                 { "type" : "string"
     "date" :
                 { "type" : "date"
                                       },
     "rt" :
                 { "type" : "long"
                                       },
     "loc" :
                 { "type" : "geo_point"
}}}
```

```
"tweet" : {
   "properties" : {
     "tweet" : { "type" : "string"
                                      },
     "name" : { "type" : "string"
                                      },
     "nick":
         "type" : "string",
         "index" : "not_analyzed"
     },
     "date" : { "type" : "date"
     "rt" : { "type" : "long"
     "loc" : "type" : "geo_point" }
}}}
```

Analyzer



```
"tweet" : {
   "properties" : {
     "tweet" : { "type" : "string"
     "name" : { "type" : "string"
     "nick" :
         "type" : "string",
         "index" : "not_analyzed"
     },
     "date" : { "type" : "date"
     "rt" : { "type" : "long"
     "loc" : "type" : "geo_point" }
}}}
```

```
"tweet" : {
   "properties" : {
     "tweet" : {
         "type" : "string",
         "analyzer" : "english"
     },
     "name" : { "type" : "string"
                                      },
     "nick" :
         "type" : "string",
         "index" : "not_analyzed"
     },
     "date" : { "type" : "date"
     "rt" : { "type" : "long"
     "loc" : "type" : "geo_point" }
}}}
```

Updating mappings



Can: add new fields



Can: add new fields



Cannot: change fields



Cannot: change fields

DELETE /myapp



Cannot: change fields

```
PUT /myapp -d
   "mappings": {
      "tweet": {
         "properties": {
```



Full body search



```
GET / search -d '
   "query": {
      "match_all": {}
   "from": 0,
   "size": 10
```



```
GET / search -d '
   "query": {
      "match all": {}
   "from": 0,
   "size": 10
```

Query DSL

rich flexible query language



```
{
    "match": { "tweet": "search" }
}
```

```
GET /_search -d '
{
    "query": {
        "match": { "tweet": "search" }
    }
}
```



exact matching

full text search



exact matching binary yes/no

full text search relevance scoring



exact matching binary yes/no fast

full text search relevance scoring heavier

exact matching binary yes/no fast cacheable

full text search
relevance scoring
heavier
not cacheable

Combine filter & query

```
Query: { "match": { "tweet": "search" }}
Filter: { "term": { "nick": "@mary" }}
```



Combine filter & query

```
"filtered": {
    "query": {
        "match": { "tweet": "search" }
    },
    "filter": {
        "term": { "nick": "@mary" }
    }
}
```

Combine filter & query

```
GET / search -d '
  "query": {
     "filtered": {
        "query": {
           "match": { "tweet": "search" }
        "filter": {
           "term": { "nick": "@mary" }
```



Just a filter

```
GET / search -d '
  "query": {
     "filtered": {
        "query": {
           "match_all": {}
        "filter": {
           "term": { "nick": "@mary" }
```

Just a filter

```
GET /_search -d '
{
    "query": {
        "filtered": {
            "term": { "nick": "@mary" }
            }
        }
}
```

User's tweets by date

```
GET / search -d '
  "query": {
     "filtered": {
        "filter": {
           "term": { "nick": "@mary" }
  "sort": { "date": "desc" }
```



Tweets for last month

```
GET / search -d '
  "query": {
     "filtered": {
        "filter": {
           "range": {
             "date": {
               "gte": "2013-05-01",
               "lt": "2013-06-01"
```



Top tweeters

```
GET /_all/tweet/_search -d '
{
    "facets": {
        "top_tweeters": {
            "field": "nick"
        }
     }
}
```

Top tweeters for query

```
GET / all/tweet/ search -d '
  "facets": {
      "top tweeters": {
          "terms": {
               "field": "nick"
   "query": {
       "match": { "tweet": "elasticsearch" }
```

Tweets by month

```
GET / all/tweet/ search -d '
{
  "facets": {
      "tweets_by_month": {
          "date histogram": {
              "field": "date",
              "interval": "month"
```

```
{ "match": { "name": "joh" }}

John Smith
Johnny Depp
Lyndon Johnson
```



```
{ "match": { "name": "joh" }}

John Smith
Johnny Depp
Lyndon Johnson
```

But "joh" doesn't exist in the index

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N-grams == window-on-a-word:



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Length 1: j,o,h,n,s,m,i,t,h



N-grams == window-on-a-word:

```
Length 1: j,o,h,n,s,m,i,t,h
```

Length 2: jo,oh,hn,sm,mi,it,th



N-grams == window-on-a-word:

```
Length 1: j,o,h,n,s,m,i,t,h

Length 2: jo,oh,hn,sm,mi,it,th

Length 3: joh,ohn,smi,mit,ith
```

Length 4: john, smit, mith



N-grams == window-on-a-word:

```
Length 1: j,o,h,n,s,m,i,t,h

Length 2: jo,oh,hn,sm,mi,it,th

Length 3: joh,ohn,smi,mit,ith
```

Length 4: john, smit, mith

Good for partial word matching



Edge N-grams == anchored N-grams:



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```
j
jo
joh
john
s
sm
smi
smit
smith
```



Edge N-grams == anchored N-grams:

```
j
jo
joh
john
s
sm
sm
smit
smit
smith
Perfect for
autocomplete
```



Edge N-Gram token filter

```
"filter": {
    "autocomplete": {
        "type": "edge_ngram",
        "min_gram": 1,
        "max_gram": 20
     }
}
```

Name field analyzers

```
{
    "analyzer": {
        "name": {
            "type": "standard",
            "stopwords": []
        },
```

}



Name field analyzers

```
"analyzer": {
 "name": {
   "type": "standard",
   "stopwords": []
 "name autocomplete": {
   "type": "custom",
   "tokenizer": "standard",
   "filter": ["lowercase", "autocomplete"]
```



```
{
    "name": {
        "type": "string"
    }
}
```



```
{
    "name": {
        "type": "string"
    }
}
```

multi_field == one field, multi-purposes



```
"name": {
    "type": "multi_field",
    "fields": {
      "name": {
      "autocomplete": {
}}
```



```
elasticsearch.
```

}}

Name field mapping

```
"name": {
    "type": "multi_field",
    "fields": {
      "name": {
        "type":
                            "string",
        "analyzer":
                           "name"
      },
      "autocomplete": {
}}
```



Name field mapping

```
"name": {
   "type": "multi field",
   "fields": {
     "name": {
       "type":
                          "string",
       "analyzer":
                          "name"
     },
     "autocomplete": {
                     Sub field:
                     "name.autocomplete"
}}
```

Name field mapping

```
"name": {
    "type": "multi field",
    "fields": {
      "name": {
        "type":
                           "string",
        "analyzer":
                           "name"
      },
      "autocomplete": {
                     "string",
        "type":
        "index_analyzer": "name_autocomplete",
        "search_analyzer": "name"
}}
```

Recreate the index

DELETE /myapp



Recreate the index

```
PUT /myapp -d '
{
    "settings": {
        "analysis": {
            "analyzer": {...},
            "filter": {...}
        }
    },
```

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Recreate the index

```
PUT /myapp -d '
  "settings": {
    "analysis": {
      "analyzer": \{\ldots\},
      "filter": {...}
  },
  "mappings": {
    "tweet": {
      "properties": {...}
```

```
"match": {
    "name.autocomplete": "john smi"
}
```

```
{
    "match": {
        "name.autocomplete": "john smi"
    }
}
```

Better: favor whole word matches



```
{
    "bool": {
        "must": [{...},{...}],
        "must_not": [{...},{...}],
        "should": [{...},{...}]
}
```

Combines multiple query clauses





```
{
    "bool": {
        "must": [{...},{...}],
        "must_not": [{...},{...}],
        "should": [{...},{...}]
}
```

MUST NOT match



```
{
    "bool": {
        "must": [{...},{...}],
        "must_not": [{...},{...}],
        "should": [{...},{...}]
}
}
```

"More relevant" if these match



```
"bool": {
  "must": {
    "match": {
      "name.autocomplete": "john smi"
  "should": {
    "match": {
      "name": "john smi"
```



Bonus slides



Boost popular tweets

```
{
    "function_score": {
        "query": { "match": { "tweet": "search" }},
        "script": "1+log(doc['rt'].value)"
    }
}
```



Filter local tweets

```
"filtered": {
  "query": { "match": { "tweet": "search" }},
  "filter": {
    "geo_distance": {
      "distance": "100km",
      "loc": {
        "lat": 13.4,
        "lon": 52.5
```

Boost local tweets

```
{
    "function_score": {
        "query": { "match": { "tweet": "search" }},
        "gauss": {
        }
}
```



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