

elastic stack

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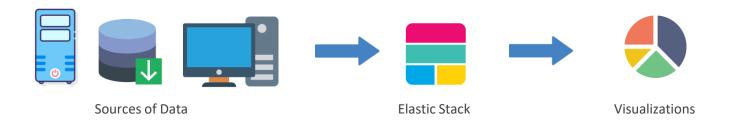
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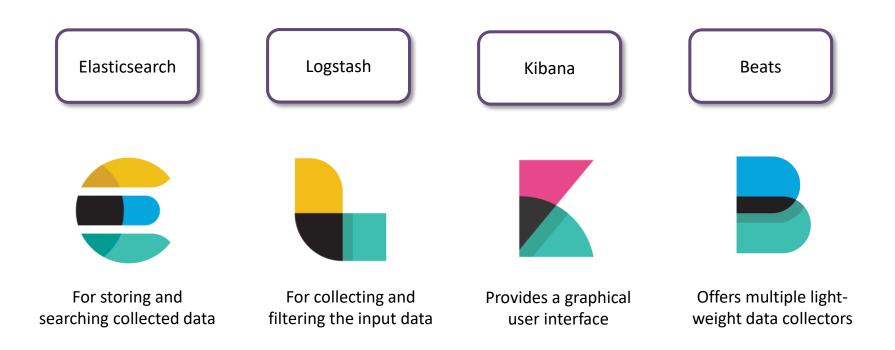
What is ELK?

Elastic Stack (ELK) refers to a set of open-source products developed by Elastic to help its users collect data from different types of sources, analyze the collected data, and represent the analysis in an easy-to-understand and aesthetic visualization so that meaningful observations can be made



Learning how to use all components of Elastic Stack takes some time, but the payoff is great and grants a deeper understanding of the software's underlying structure





Elasticsearch

Logstash

Kibana

Beats

Elasticsearch is a NoSQL database that was developed based on Apache Lucene search engine. It can be used to index and store different types of documents and data. It provides a function to search for the data that is stored in real time as it's being fed



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Logstash is a collection agent used to collect both heterogenous/non-heterogenous data from various sources. It has the capability to screen, breakdown, and make string alterations in the data it collects. After collecting and filtering the data, it then sends it to Elasticsearch for storage



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Kibana is a graphical user interface used to display the data that is collected and stored in Elasticsearch. It displays the data with appealing visuals so that the data could be easily understood and analyzed; it does so by using multiple types of visuals like bar chart, pie chart, world map, heat map, co-ordinate map, etc.



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Features of Kibana

Discover your data by exploring it

Analyze your data by applying different metrics

Visualize the data by creating different types of charts

Apply Machine Learning on the data to get data anomaly

Manage users and roles

Offer a console to run Elasticsearch expressions

Play with time-series data using Timeline

Monitor your Elastic Stack using monitoring

Elasticsearch

Logstash

Kibana

Beats

Beats is similar to Logstash in the fact that they both collect data that will be later stored and analyzed, but Beats differs in the method of collection. Beats is a set of multiple small software installed on different servers from where they collect the data and send it to Elasticsearch





ELK Flow

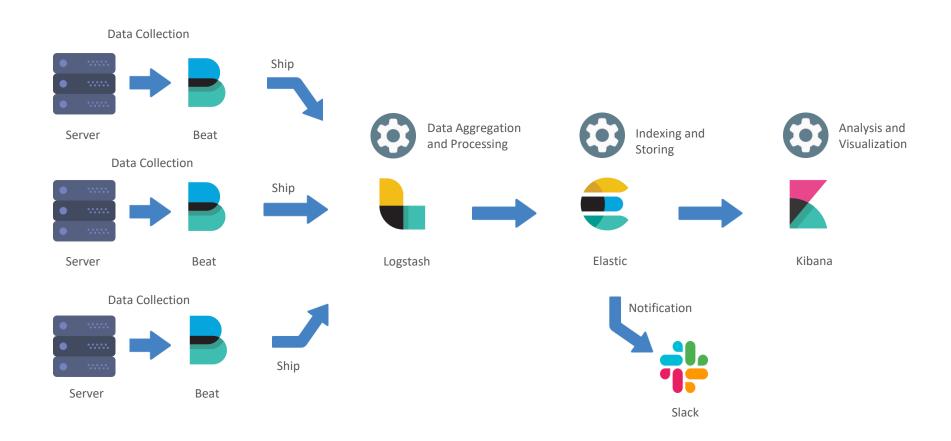
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First, Beats are attached to remote servers from where these Beats collect information from various sources

After collecting all the data needed, they either ship the data to Logstash for filtration or directly send it to Elasticsearch

The data is then stored in Elasticsearch. From here, it will not be directly sent to Kibana. Kibana first needs to find where Elastic is and then go and get the data by itself

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Features of ELK

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System Performance Monitoring

Log Management





Application Performance Monitoring

Features of ELK

Application Data Analysis

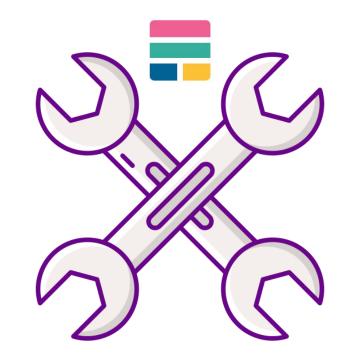




Security Monitoring and Alerting

Data Visualization





Prerequisites:

- At least 2 GB of RAM
- At least 20 GB storage
 - JAVA



Installing JAVA on the instance:

\$ sudo apt-get update \$ sudo apt-get install -y openjdk-8-jdk



Installing nginx on the instance:

\$ sudo apt-get update \$ sudo apt-get -y install nginx \$ sudo systemctl enable nginx



Downloading and installing Elasticsearch:

\$ wget https://artifacts.elastic.co/downloads/elasticsearch/elasticsearch-7.2.0-amd64.deb \$ sudo dpkg -i elasticsearch-7.2.0-amd64.deb



Downloading and installing Kibana:

\$ wget https://artifacts.elastic.co/downloads/kibana/kibana-7.2.0-amd64.deb \$ sudo dpkg -i kibana-7.2.0-amd64.deb



Downloading and Installing Logstash:

\$ wget https://artifacts.elastic.co/downloads/logstash/logstash-7.2.0.deb \$ sudo dpkg -i logstash-7.2.0.deb



Installing a few dependencies:

\$ sudo apt-get install -y apt-transport-https



Downloading and Installing Filebeat:

\$ wget https://artifacts.elastic.co/downloads/beats/filebeat-7.2.0-amd64.deb \$ sudo dpkg -i filebeat-7.2.0-amd64.deb





ELK Hands-on

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Collect static Apache logs using Logstash and analyze them using Kibana

2. Collect static '.CSV' using Logstash and analyze them using Kibana

Collect and configure real-time web logs, inject them into Elasticsearch, and analyze them using Kibana