

Commands for ELK stack installation

Install Java

```
sudo apt-get install openjdk-8-jdk
```

Install Nginx

Nginx works as a web server and proxy server.

1. Install Nginx by entering the following:

sudo apt-get install nginx
check your localhost type in URL

Step 2: Add Elastic Repository

1. Enter the following into a terminal window to import the PGP key for Elastic:

```
wget -qO - https://artifacts.elastic.co/GPG-KEY-elasticsearch | sudo apt-key add -
```
2. Next, install the apt-transport-https package:

```
sudo apt-get install apt-transport-https
```
3. Add the Elastic repository to your system's repository list:

```
echo "deb https://artifacts.elastic.co/packages/7.x/apt stable main" | sudo tee -a /etc/apt/sources.list.d/elastic-7.x.list
```

Step 3: Install Elasticsearch

```
sudo apt-get update
```

2. Install Elasticsearch with the following command:

```
sudo apt-get install elasticsearch
```

Configure Elasticsearch

```
sudo nano /etc/elasticsearch/elasticsearch.yml
```

```
#network.host: 192.168.0.1
```

```
#http.port: 9200
```

4. Just below, find the Discovery section. We are adding one more line, as we are configuring a single node cluster:

```
discovery.type: single-node
```
5. By default, JVM heap size is set at 1GB. We recommend setting it to no more than half the size of your total memory.
Open the following file for editing:

```
sudo nano /etc/elasticsearch/jvm.options
```

6. Find the lines starting with -Xms and -Xmx. In the example below, the maximum (-Xmx) and minimum (-Xms) size is set to 512MB.

```
-Xms512m  
-Xmx512m
```

It may take some time for the system to start the service.
There will be no output if successful.

2. Enable Elasticsearch to start on boot:

```
sudo systemctl enable elasticsearch.service  
Test Elasticsearch
```

Step 3: Install Kibana

It is recommended to install Kibana next. Kibana is a graphical user interface for parsing and interpreting collected log files.

1. Run the following command to install Kibana:

```
sudo apt-get install kibana
```
2. Allow the process to finish. Once finished, it's time to configure Kibana.

Configure Kibana

1. Next, open the kibana.yml configuration file for editing:

```
sudo nano /etc/kibana/kibana.yml
```
2. Delete the # sign at the beginning of the following lines to activate them:
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```
#server.port: 5601
```

```
#server.host: "your-hostname"
```

```
#elasticsearch.hosts: ["http://localhost:9200"]
```

The above-mentioned lines should look as follows:

```
server.port: 5601
```

```
server.host: "localhost"
```

```
elasticsearch.hosts: ["http://localhost:9200"]
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Start and Enable Kibana

1. Start the Kibana service:

```
sudo systemctl start kibana
```

There is no output if the service starts successfully.

2. Next, configure Kibana to launch at boot:

```
sudo systemctl enable kibana
```

Allow Traffic on Port 5601

If the UFW firewall is enabled on your Ubuntu system, you need to allow traffic on port 5601 to access the Kibana dashboard.

In a terminal window, run the following command:

```
sudo ufw allow 5601/tcp
```

Test Kibana

To access Kibana, open a web browser and browse to the following address:

<http://localhost:5601>

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STEP 4: Install Logstash

Logstash is a tool that collects data from different sources. The data it collects is parsed by Kibana and stored in Elasticsearch.

Install Logstash by running the following command:

```
sudo apt-get install logstash
```

Start and Enable Logstash

1. Start the Logstash service:

```
sudo systemctl start logstash
```

2. Enable the Logstash service:

```
sudo systemctl enable logstash
```

3. To check the status of the service, run the following command:

```
sudo systemctl status logstash
```

Configure Logstash

Logstash is a highly customizable part of the ELK stack.

Once installed, configure its INPUT, FILTERS, and OUTPUT pipelines according to your own individual use case.

all custom logstash configuration files are stored in `/etc/logstash/conf.d/`

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Install Filebeat

Filebeat is a lightweight plugin used to collect and ship log files.

It is the most commonly used Beats module. One of Filebeat's major advantages is that it slows down its pace if the Logstash service is overwhelmed with data.

Install Filebeat by running the following command:

sudo apt-get install filebeat

Configure Filebeat

Filebeat, by default, sends data to Elasticsearch. Filebeat can also be configured to send event data to Logstash.

1. To configure this, edit the `filebeat.yml` configuration file:

sudo nano /etc/filebeat/filebeat.yml

2. Under the Elasticsearch output section, comment out the following lines:

output.elasticsearch:

Array of hosts to connect to.

hosts: ["localhost:9200"]

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Next, enable the Filebeat system module,
which will examine local system logs:

sudo filebeat modules enable system

Start and Enable Filebeat

Start and enable the Filebeat service:

sudo systemctl start filebeat

sudo systemctl enable filebeat

Start nginx module for filebeat:

filebeat modules enable nginx

setup filebeat from terminal to get logs in kibana,

filebeat setup -e

Verify Elasticsearch Reception of Data

Finally, verify if Filebeat is shipping log files to Logstash for processing. Once processed, data is sent to Elasticsearch.

curl -XGET http://localhost:9200/_cat/indices?v