



search as you type



search- as-you-type



index with N-grams

```
"star":
```

```
unigram: [s, t, a, r]
bigram: [st, ta, ar]
trigram: [sta, tar]
4-gram: [star]
```

edge n-grams are built only on the beginning of each term.

indexing n-grams

Create an "autocomplete" analyzer

filter for edge n-grams min = 1 max = 20

custom analyzer, in addition to standard lowercase filter also has autocomplete filter (ngrams)

```
curl -XPUT '127.0.0.1:9200/movies?pretty' -d '
    "settings": {
        "analysis": {
            "filter":
                "autocomplete_filter": {
                    "type": "edge_ngram",
                    "min_gram": 1,
                    "max_gram": 20
                "analyzer": {
                    "autocomplete": {
                        "type": "custom", "tokenizer": "standard",
                        "filter": ["lowercase",
                        "autocomplete_filter"
```

map your field

title is of type "string" and uses our custom analyzer "autocomplete



n-grams only on index

Use n-grams only on the index side or query will also get split into n-grams, and we'll get results for everything that matches 's', 't', 'a', 'st', etc.



analyzer = standard so don't split up what was typed into n-grams.

completion suggester

You can also upload a list of all possible completions ahead of time using completion suggester.

- Most customizable
- Reliable results
- Most control

Suggesters

Completion – auto-complete/search-as-you-type

Term – spell correction

Phrase – did-you-mean



lab: Query tips

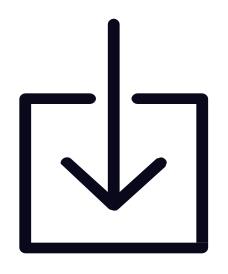
- Lab 10: Pagination, sorting, filtering and fuzzy matching
- Lab 11: Prefix/wildcard and auto-completion



importing data



importing data



stand-alone scripts can submit bulk documents via RESTAPI

logstash and beats can stream data from logs, S3, databases, and more

AWS systems can stream in data via lambda or kinesis firehose

kafka, spark, and more have Elasticsearch integration add-ons



importing via script / json



python import

- read in data from some distributed filesystem
- transform it into JSON bulkinserts
- submit via HTTP / REST to your elasticsearch cluster

```
import csv
import re
csvfile = open('ml-latest-small/movies.csv', 'r')
reader = csv.DictReader( csvfile )
for movie in reader:
        print ("{ \"create\" : { \"_index\": \"movies\", \"_type\": \"movie\", \"_id\" : \"" , movie['movieId
        title = re.sub(" \(.*\)$", "", re.sub('"','', movie['title']))
        year = movie['title'][-5:-1]
        if (not year.isdigit()):
           year = "2016"
        genres = movie['genres'].split('|')
        print ("{ \"id\": \"", movie['movieId'], "\", \"title\": \"", title, "\", \"year\":", year, ", \"genre
        for genre in genres[:-1]:
            print("\"", genre, "\",", end='', sep='')
        print("\"", genres[-1], "\"", end = '', sep='')
        print ("] }")
```

python example:

```
import csv
import re
csvfile = open('ml-latest-small/movies.csv', 'r')
reader = csv.DictReader( csvfile )
for movie in reader:
   print ("{ \"create\" : { \"_index\": \"movies\", \"_type\": \"movie\", \"_id\" : \"" , movie['movieId'], "\" } }", sep='')
   title = re.sub(" \(.*\)$", "", re.sub('"','', movie['title']))
   year = movie['title'][-5:-1]
   if (not year.isdigit()):
     year = "2016"
   genres = movie['genres'].split('|')
   print ("{ \"id\": \"", movie['movieId'], "\", \"title\": \"", title, "\", \"year\":", year, ", \"genre\":[", end='', sep='')
   for genre in genres[:-1]:
     print("\"", genre, "\",", end='', sep='')
   print("\"", genres[-1], "\"", end = '', sep='')
   print ("] }")
```



importing via client api's



client libraries

free elasticsearch client libraries are available for pretty much any language.

- java has a client maintained by elastic.co
- python has an elasticsearch package
- elasticsearch-ruby
- several choices for scala
- elasticsearch.pm module for perl

You don't have to wrangle JSON.

```
es = elasticsearch.Elasticsearch()

es.indices.delete(index="ratings",ignore=404)
deque(helpers.parallel_bulk(es,readRatings(),index="ratings",doc_t es.indices.refresh()
```

python full script

- function to read Movies
 - open csv
 - build dictionary
 - match movieid with title
- function to read Ratings
 - open csv
 - build dictionary
 - match movieid with title
- create ES instance,
- delete ratings table
- load ratings into "ratings" index.

```
import csv
from collections import deque
import elasticsearch
from elasticsearch import helpers
def readMovies():
 csvfile = open('ml-latest-small/movies.csv', 'r')
  reader = csv.DictReader( csvfile )
 titleLookup = {}
  for movie in reader:
     titleLookup[movie['movieId']] = movie['title']
  return titleLookup
def readRatings():
 csvfile = open('ml-latest-small/ratings.csv', 'r')
 titleLookup = readMovies()
  reader = csv.DictReader( csvfile )
 for line in reader:
     rating = {}
     rating['user_id'] = int(line['userId'])
     rating['movie_id'] = int(line['movieId'])
     rating['title'] = titleLookup[line['movieId']]
     rating['rating'] = float(line['rating'])
     rating['timestamp'] = int(line['timestamp'])
     yield rating
es = elasticsearch.Elasticsearch()
es.indices.delete(index="ratings",ignore=404)
deque(helpers.parallel_bulk(es,readRatings(),index="ratings",doc_type="rating"), maxlen=0)
```

es.indices.refresh()

lab: python scripts

• Lab 12: Python scripts to import data

• We will also do the exercise on the next slide.



python - tags

exercise

write a script to import the tags.csv data from ml-latest-small into a new "tags" index.



one solution

 tag = line ['tag'] instead of float line (no longer a number)

```
import csv
from collections import deque
import elasticsearch
from elasticsearch import helpers
def readMovies():
 csvfile = open('ml-latest-small/movies.csv', 'r')
 reader = csv.DictReader( csvfile )
 titleLookup = {}
 for movie in reader:
     titleLookup[movie['movieId']] = movie['title']
 return titleLookup
def readTags():
 csvfile = open('ml-latest-small/tags.csv', 'r')
 titleLookup = readMovies()
 reader = csv.DictReader( csvfile )
 for line in reader:
     tag = {}
     tag['user_id'] = int(line['userId'])
     tag['movie_id'] = int(line['movieId'])
     tag['title'] = titleLookup[line['movieId']]
     tag['tag'] = line['tag']
     tag['timestamp'] = int(line['timestamp'])
     yield tag
es = elasticsearch.Elasticsearch()
es.indices.delete(index="tags",ignore=404)
```

deque(helpers.parallel_bulk(es,readTags(),index="tags",doc_type="tag"), maxlen=0)

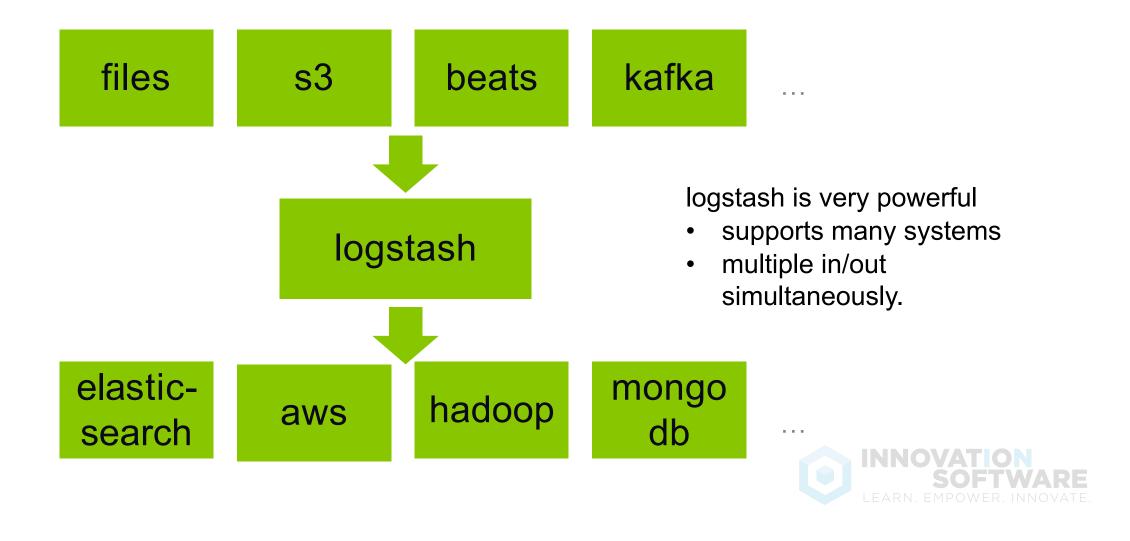
es.indices.refresh()



introducing logstash



logstash



Powerful features

- logstash parses, transforms, and filters data as it passes through.
- it can derive structure from unstructured data
- it can anonymize personal data or exclude it entirely
- it can do geo-location lookups
- it can scale across many nodes
- it guarantees at-least-once delivery
- it absorbs throughput from load spikes

See https://www.elastic.co/guide/en/logstash/current/filter-plugins.html for the huge list of filter plugins.

 Can serve as buffer between source and destination



logstash - input sources

elastic beats – cloudwatch – couchdb – drupal – elasticsearch – windows event log – shell output – local files – ganglia – gelf – gemfire – random generator – github – google pubsub – graphite – heartbeats – heroku – http – imap – irc – jdbc – jmx – kafka – lumberjack – meetup – command pipes – puppet – rabbitmq – rackspace cloud queue – redis – relp – rss – s3 – salesforce – snmp – sqlite – sqs – stdin – stomp – syslog – tcp – twitter – udp – unix sockets – varnish log – websocket – wmi – xmpp – zenoss – zeromq

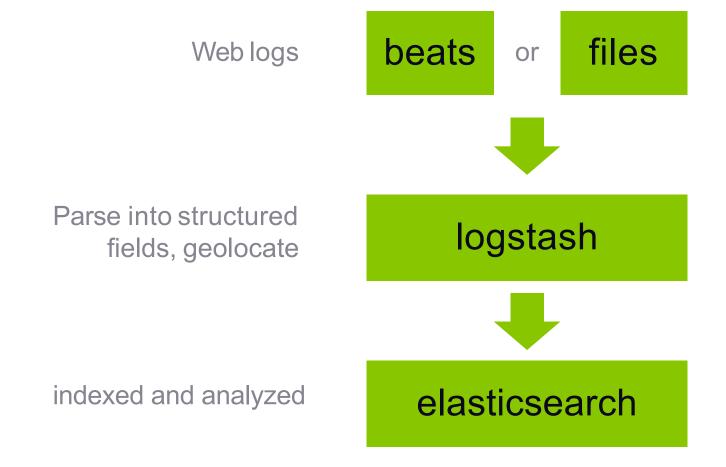


logstash - output

```
boundary - circonus - cloudwatch - csv - datadoghq -
elasticsearch – email – exec – local file – ganglia – gelf –
bigguery - google cloud storage - graphite - graphtastic -
hipchat – http – influxdb – irc – jira – juggernaut – kafka –
librato – loggly – lumberjack – metriccatcher – mongodb –
nagios – new relic insights – opentsdb – pagerduty – pipe
 to stdin - rabbitmq - rackspace cloud queue - redis -
redmine - riak - riemann - s3 - sns - solr - sqs - statsd
   stdout – stomp – syslog – tcp – udp – webhdfs –
          websocket - xmpp - zabbix - zeromq
```



typical usage





installing logstash



installing logstash

sudo apt-get update sudo apt-get install logstash



configuring logstash

input = log location
start_position
ignore_older

Set timestamp format being used in access_log

Send to Elasticsearch & standard out

sudo vi /etc/logstash/conf.d/logstash.conf

```
input {
    file {
       path => "/home/<user>/access_log" start_position => "beginning" ignore_older => 0
filter {
   grok {
       match => { "message" => "%{COMBINEDAPACHELOG}" }
   date {
       match => [ "timestamp", "dd/MMM/yyyy:HH:mm:ss Z" ]
output {
    elasticsearch {
       hosts => ["localhost:9200"]
   stdout {
       codec => rubydebug
```

running logstash

cd /usr/share/logstash/

sudo bin/logstash -f /etc/logstash/conf.d/logstash.conf



logstash with mysql



jdbc driver

get a mysql connector from https://dev.mysql.com/downloads/connector/j/

wget https://dev.mysql.com/get/Downloads/Connector-J/mysql-connector-java-5.1.42.zip

unzip mysql-connector-java-5.1.42.zip



configure logstash

```
input {
    jdbc {
        jdbc_connection_string => "jdbc:mysql://localhost:3306/movielens"
        jdbc_user => "root"
        jdbc_password => "password"
        jdbc_driver_library => "/home/<user>/mysql-connector-java-5.1.46/mysql-connector-java-5.1.46-bin.jar"
        jdbc_driver_class => "com.mysql.jdbc.Driver"
        statement => "SELECT * FROM movies"
    }
}
```

```
output {
    stdout { codec => json_lines }
    elasticsearch {
        "hosts" => "localhost:9200"
        "index" => "movielens-sql"
        "document_type" => "data"
    }
}
```



lab: logstash & mysql

• Lab 13: Install Logstash and integrate with MySQL



logstash with s3



what is s3

amazon web services' simple storage service

cloud-based distributed storage system



integration is easy

```
input {
    s3{
        bucket => "learning-es"
        access_key_id => "AKIAIS****C26Y***Q"
        secret_access_key => "d*****FENOXcCuNC4iTbSLbibA*****eyn****"
    }
}
```



logstash with kafka



what is kafka

- apache kafka
- open-source stream processing platform
- high throughput, low latency
- publish/subscribe
- process streams
- store streams

has a lot in common with logstash, really.



integration is easy

```
input {
    kafka{
        bootstrap_servers => "127.0.0.1:9200"
        topics = ["kafka-logs"]
    }
}
```



aggregations



not just for search anymore

metrics

average, stats, min/max, percentiles, etc.

buckets

histograms, ranges, distances, significant terms, etc.



pipelines

moving average, average bucket, cumulative sum, etc.

matrix

matrix stats



aggregations are amazing

elasticsearch aggregations can sometimes take the place of hadoop / spark / etc – and return results instantly!



it gets better

you can even nest aggregations together!

Pair aggregations with search queries



let's learn by example

bucket by rating value:

Sum up all documents that have a "rating" value.



let's learn by example

- query narrows down movies to only 5.0 rating
- aggregates sum up all those values.

count only 5-star ratings:

```
curl -XGET
'127.0.0.1:9200/ratings/rating/_search?size=0&pretty' -d '
    "query": {
        "match": {
            "rating": 5.0
    "aggs" : {
        "ratings": {
            "terms": {
                "field" : "rating"
```

let's learn by example

average rating for Star Wars:

- Find Star Wars Episode IV
- Return average rating for that specific movie.

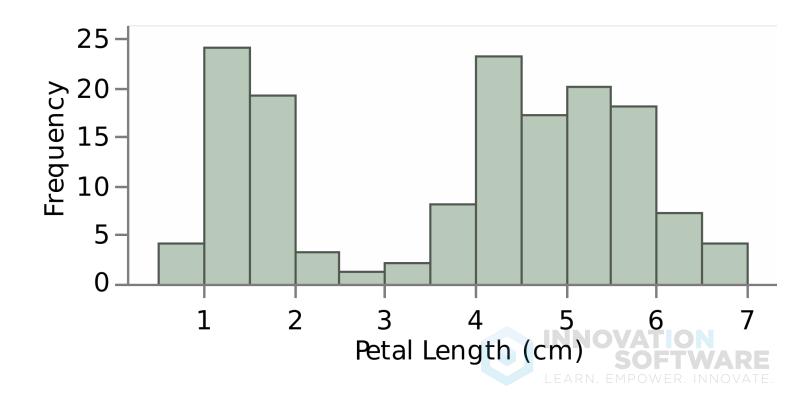
```
curl -XGET
'127.0.0.1:9200/ratings/rating/_search?size=0&pretty' -d '
    "query": {
        "match_phrase": {
            "title": "Star Wars Episode IV"
    "aggs" : {
        "avg_rating": {
            "avg": {
                "field" : "rating"
```

histograms



what is a histogram

display totals of documents bucketed by some interval range



rating intervals

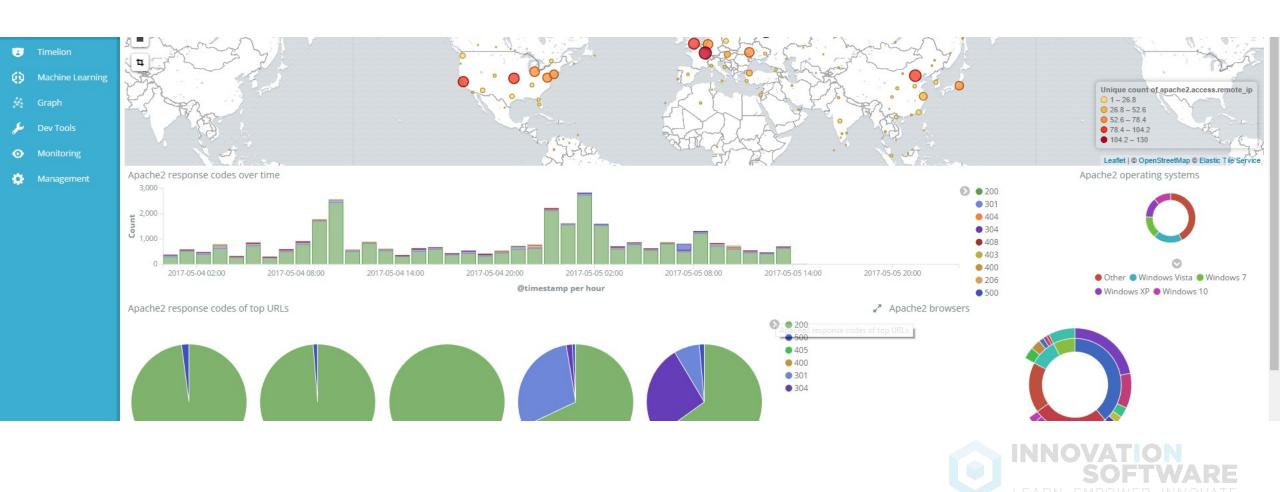
Group ratings together by whole number.

sort by decade

using kibana



what is kibana



installing kibana

sudo apt-get install kibana sudo vi /etc/kibana/kibana.yml change server.host to 0.0.0.0

sudo /bin/systemctl daemon-reload sudo /bin/systemctl enable kibana.service sudo /bin/systemctl start kibana.service

kibana is now available on port 5601

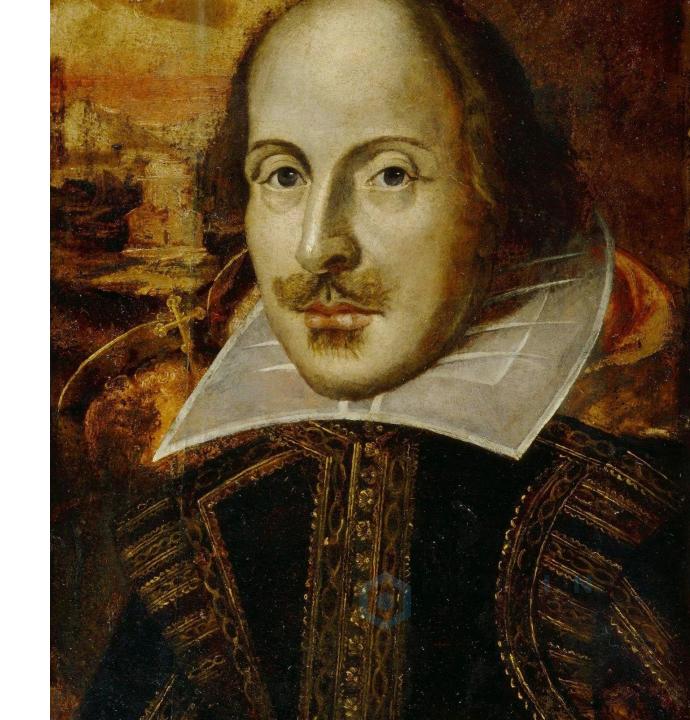


playing with kibana



let's analyze the works of william shakespeare...

because we can.



lab: aggs & kibana

- Lab 14: Using aggregates and histograms
- Lab 15: Installing and using Kibana



elasticsearch

exercise

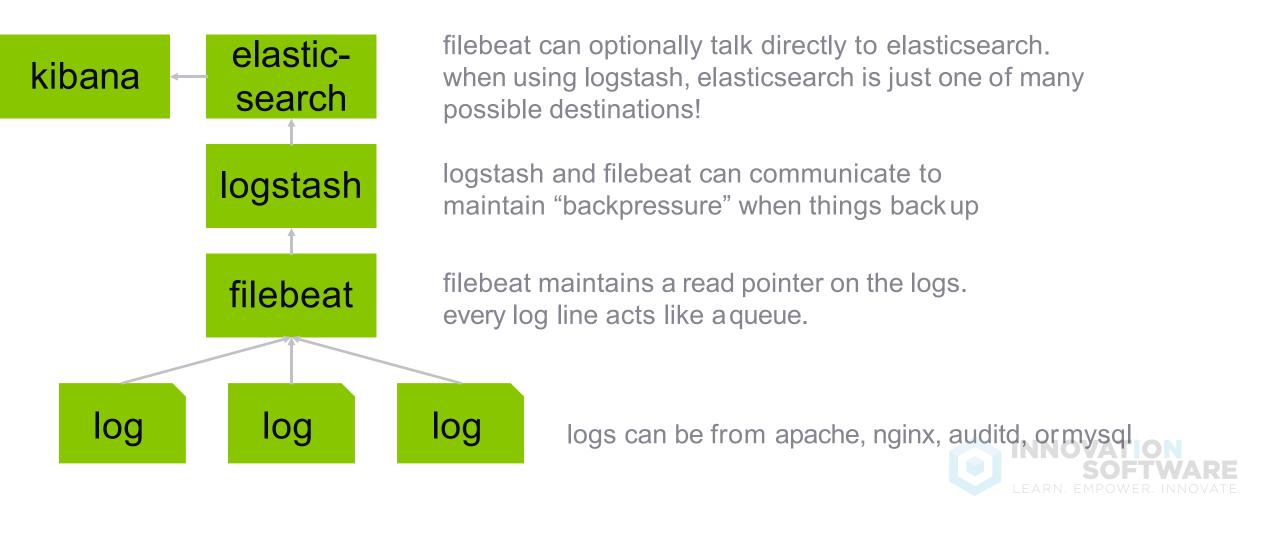
find the longest shakespeare plays - create a vertical bar chart that aggregates the count of documents by play name in descending order.



using filebeat



filebeat: lightweight shipper



this is called the elastic stack

prior to beats, you'd hear about the "ELK stack" – elasticsearch, logstash, kibana.



filebeat vs logstash

- Wrong question: Use them together.
- it won't let you overload your pipeline.
- you get more flexibility on scaling your cluster.



installing filebeat



lab: kibana & filebeats

• Lab 16: Install filebeats and configure with Kibana



Telasticsearch operations

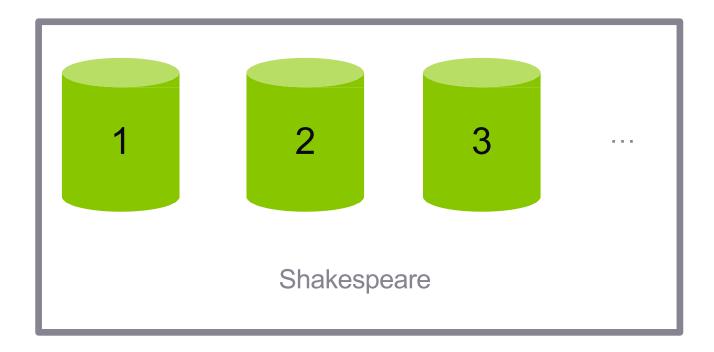


Choosing your shards



an index is split into shards

Documents are hashed to a particular shard.



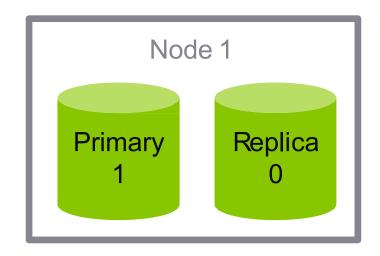
Each shard may be on a different node in a cluster. Every shard is a self-contained Lucene index of its own.

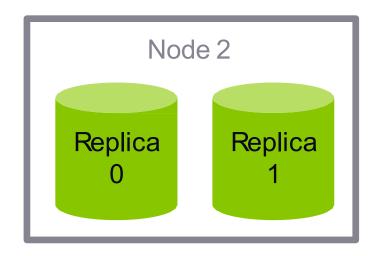


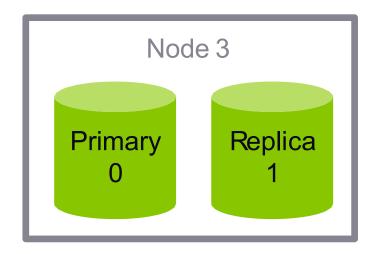
primary and replica shards

This index has two primary shards and two replicas.

Your application should round-robin requests amongstnodes.







Write requests are routed to the primary shard, then replicated Read requests are routed to the primary or any replica

how many shards do i need?

- you can't add more shards later without re-indexing
- but shards aren't free you can't just make 1,000 of them and stick them on one node at first.
- you want to overallocate, but not too much
- consider scaling out in phases, so you have time to re-index before you hit the next phase



shard planning

- the "right" number of shards depends on your data and your application. there's no secret formula.
- start with a single server using the same hardware you use in production, with one shard and no replication.
- fill it with real documents and hit it with real queries.
- push it until it breaks now you know the capacity of a single shard.



remember replica shards can be added

- read-heavy applications can add more replica shards without re-indexing.
- note this only helps if you put the new replicas on extra hardware!
- Shards have a limit of 2B documents

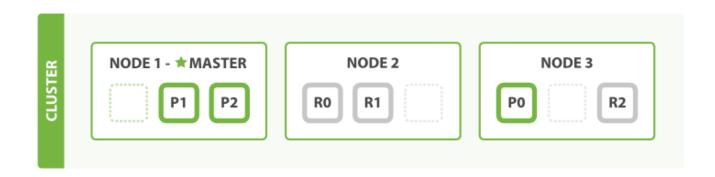


multi-node cluster

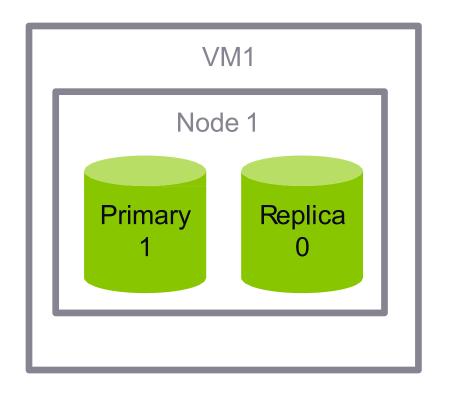




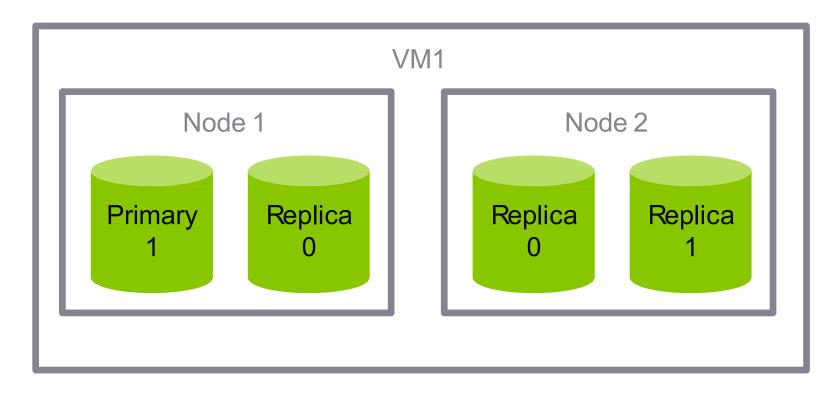














- Set cluster.name
- Set node.name
- Add
 - node.max_local_storage_nodes: 2
- Copy config directory for new node
- Edit new node yml and set
 - cluster.name
 - network.port (something unique)
- Create log directory
- Create new init script



lab: multi-node cluster

• Lab 17: Multi-node cluster



adding an index



creating a new index

Remember this is an important step for production clusters!

You can use *index templates* to automatically apply mappings, analyzers, aliases, etc.



scaling strategies

- Adding a new shard is not only option for scaling.
- multiple-indices:
 - make a new index to hold new data
 - search both indices
 - use index aliases to make this easy to do
 - Much easier than re-indexing



scaling strategies

- multiple-indices:
 - with time-based data, you can have one index per time

frame

- common strategy for log data where you usually just want current data, but don't want to delete old data either
- again you can use index aliases, ie "logs_current", "last_3_months", to point to specific indices as they rotate



alias rotation example

```
POST / aliases
       "actions": [
                { "add": { "alias": "logs current", "index": "logs 2017 06" }},
                { "remove": { "alias": "logs_current", "index": "logs_2017_05" }},
                { "add": { "alias": "logs last 3 months", "index": "logs 2017 06" }},
                { "remove": { "alias": "logs last 3 months", "index": "logs 2017 03" }}
optionally....
DELETE/logs 2017 03
```



Choosing your hardware



RAM is likely your bottleneck

64GB per machine is the sweet spot (32GB to elasticsearch, 32GB to the OS/ disk cache for lucene)

under 8GB not recommended



other hardware considerations

- fast disks are better SSD's if possible
- use RAID0 your cluster is already redundant
- cpu not that important
- need a fast network
- don't use NAS
- use medium to large configurations; too big is bad, and too many small boxes is bad too.



heapsizing



your heap size is wrong

the default heap size is only 1GB!

half or less of your physical memory should be allocated to elasticsearch

- the other half can be used by lucene for caching
- if you're not aggregating on analyzed string fields, consider using less than half for elasticsearch
- smaller heaps result in faster garbage collection and more memory for caching

```
export ES_HEAP_SIZE=10g or ES JAVA OPTS="-Xms10g -Xmx10g" ./bin/elasticsearch
```

don't cross 32GB! pointers blow upthen.



monitoring with x-pack



what is x-pack?

- an elastic stack extension
- security, monitoring, alerting, reporting, graph, and machine learning
- formerly shield / watcher / marvel
- only parts can be had for free requires a paid license or trial otherwise



install x-pack

```
cd /usr/share/elasticsearch
sudo bin/elasticsearch-plugin install x-pack
```

sudo vi /etc/elasticsearch/elasticsearch.yml (Add xpack.security.enabled:false)

sudo /bin/systemctl stop elasticsearch.service

sudo /bin/systemctl start elasticsearch.service cd /usr/share/kibana/ sudo -u kibana bin/kibana-plugin install x-pack sudo /bin/systemctl stop kibana.service

sudo /bin/systemctl start kibana.service



lab: Install X-Packs

• Lab 17: Install X-Packs



using snapshots



back up your indices

store backups to NAS, Amazon S3, HDFS, Azure

smart enough to only store changes since last snapshot



create a repository

```
add it into elasticsearch.yml:
path.repo: ["/home/<user>/backups"]

PUT_snapshot/backup-repo
{
    "type": "fs",
    "settings": {
        "location": "/home/<user>/backups/backup-repo"
    }
}
```



using snapshots

snapshot all open indices:

PUT_snapshot/backup-repo/snapshot-1

get information about asnapshot:

GET_snapshot/backup-repo/snapshot-1

monitor snapshot progress:

GET_snapshot/backup-repo/snapshot-1/_status

restore a snapshot of all indices:

POST/_all/_close

POST_snapshot/backup-repo/snapshot-1/_restore



rolling restarts



restarting your cluster



sometimes you have to... OS updates, elasticsearch version updates, etc.

to make this go quickly and smoothly, you want to disable index reallocation while doing this.



rolling restart procedure

- 1. stop indexing new data if possible
- 2. disable shard allocation
- 3. shut down one node
- 4. perform your maintenance on it and restart, confirm it joins the cluster.
- 5. re-enable shard allocation
- 6. wait for the cluster to return to green status
- 7. repeat steps 2-6 for all other nodes
- 8. resume indexing new data



cheat sheet

```
PUT_cluster/settings
                                                         Disable shard allocation
 "transient": {
   "cluster.routing.allocation.enable": "none"
sudo /bin/systemctl stop elasticsearch.service
                                                         Stop elasticsearch safely
PUT _cluster/settings
 "transient": {
                                                         Enable shard allocation
    "cluster.routing.allocation.enable":
                                            "all"
```

cluster basics

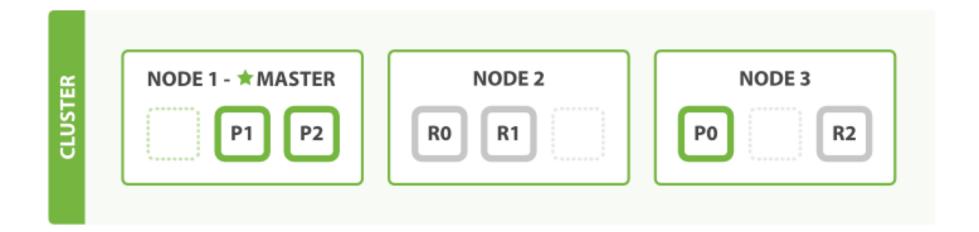


elasticsearch cluster

- a cluster is a collection of one or more nodes (servers)
- together the cluster holds your entire data and provides federated indexing and search capabilities across all nodes
- clusters are identified by a unique name
- default cluster naming is "elasticsearch"
- nodes join clusters automatically on startup
- nodes join clusters using their configured naming



elasticsearch cluster





putting it all together

- when you start an instance of Elasticsearch, you are starting a node
- an Elasticsearch cluster is a group of nodes that have the same cluster.name attribute
- as nodes join or leave a cluster, the cluster automatically reorganizes itself to evenly distribute the data across the available nodes
- nodes can host primary and/or replica depending on configuration
- configuration is contained in the elasticsearch.yml, a YAML file
- nodes are both data and master-eligible, by default
- new nodes can be configured for a specific purpose, such as handling data ingestion



cluster monitoring

- Marvel, an Elastic Stack Feature, is the default option for monitoring Elasticsearch clusters
- monitoring should be done with a separate node or cluster to avoid impacts on monitoring when there are cluster issues
- InfluxDB can be utilized with an Elasticsearch Telegraf agent for monitoring
- three Elastic Stack APIs form the basis for monitoring
 - node stats API for cluster node statistics.
 - cluster health API retrieves status of cluster node health
 - cluster stats API retrieves status from a cluster wide perspective



features



Elastic Stack Features

Security



Protection of your Elasticsearch data in a robust and granular way.

Reporting



Create and share reports of your Kibana charts and dashboards.

Alerting



Receive notifications about changes in your data.

Graph



Explore meaningful relationships in your data streams

Monitoring



Ensure your clusters are running at peak efficiency and effectiveness

Machine Learning



Automation of anomaly detection on your Elasticsearch data.



query performance



to optimize performance of our queries

- design your data model based on your queries
- utilize nested documents versus parent-child
- tune the refresh interval, which as we noted earlier is 1s
- use force merge to reduce the number of segments
- understand the global ordinals where you use term aggregation
- consider pre-indexing when using range aggregations
- avoid memory to disk swapping
- always test against production-like data sets
- use bulk for insert queries when possible



wrapping up

