Prometheus Server Configuration on AWS EC2 Machine

I. Prometheus Server Setup:

Step 1: Update the yum package repositories.

sudo yum update -y

Step 2: Create a Prometheus user, and required directories, and make the Prometheus user as the owner of those directories.

sudo useradd --no-create-home --shell /bin/false prometheus

sudo mkdir /etc/prometheus

sudo mkdir /var/lib/prometheus

sudo chown prometheus:prometheus /etc/prometheus

sudo chown prometheus:prometheus /var/lib/prometheus

Step 3: Go to the official Prometheus downloads page (https://prometheus.io/)and get the download link for the Linux binary.

https://github.com/prometheus/prometheus/releases/download/v2.53.4/prometheus-2.53.4.linux-amd64.tar.gz

Step 4: Download the source using wget, unzip the package then rename the extracted folder to prometheus-files.

wget https://github.com/prometheus/prometheus/releases/download/v2.53.4/prometheus-2.53.4.linux-amd64.tar.gz

tar -xvf prometheus-2.53.4.linux-amd64.tar.gz

mv prometheus-2.53.4.linux-amd64 prometheus-files

Step 5: Copy Prometheus and promtool binary from prometheus-files folder to /usr/local/bin and change the ownership to prometheus user.

sudo cp prometheus-files/prometheus /usr/local/bin/

sudo cp prometheus-files/promtool /usr/local/bin/

sudo chown prometheus:prometheus /usr/local/bin/prometheus

sudo chown prometheus:prometheus /usr/local/bin/promtool

Step 6: Move the consoles and console_libraries directories from prometheus-files to /etc/prometheus folder and change the ownership to Prometheus user.

sudo cp -r prometheus-files/consoles /etc/prometheus

sudo cp -r prometheus-files/console_libraries /etc/prometheus

sudo chown -R prometheus:prometheus /etc/prometheus/consoles

sudo chown -R prometheus:prometheus /etc/prometheus/console_libraries

II. **Setup Prometheus Configuration:**

All the Prometheus configurations should be present in /etc/prometheus/prometheus.yml file.

Step 1: Create the prometheus.yml file.

sudo vi /etc/prometheus/prometheus.yml

Step 2: Copy the following contents to the prometheus.yml file.

global:

scrape_interval: 10s

scrape_configs:

- job_name: 'prometheus'

scrape interval: 10s

static_configs:

- targets: ['server_ip:9090'] //PRIVATE IPV4 ADRESS OF PROMETHEUS EC2_INSTANCE

Step 3: Change the ownership of the file to the Prometheus user.

sudo chown prometheus:prometheus /etc/prometheus/prometheus.yml

III. **Setup Prometheus Service File:**

Step 1: Create a Prometheus service file.

sudo vi /etc/systemd/system/prometheus.service

Step 2: Copy the following content to the file.

[Unit]

Description=Prometheus

Wants=network-online.target

After=network-online.target

[Service]

User=prometheus

Group=prometheus

Type=simple

ExecStart=/usr/local/bin/prometheus \

- --config.file /etc/prometheus/prometheus.yml \
- --storage.tsdb.path /var/lib/prometheus/ \
- --web.console.templates=/etc/prometheus/consoles \
- --web.console.libraries=/etc/prometheus/console_libraries

[Install]

WantedBy=multi-user.target

Step 3: Reload the systemd service to register the Prometheus service and start the Prometheus service.

sudo systemctl daemon-reload

sudo service prometheus start

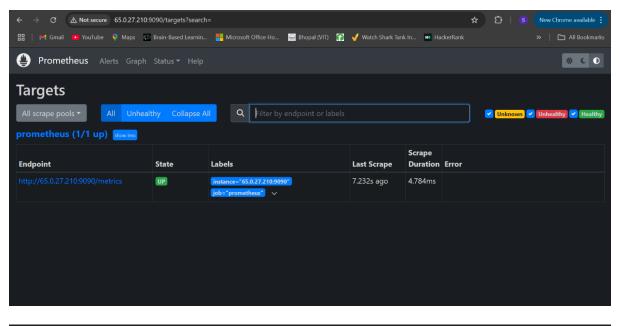
service prometheus status

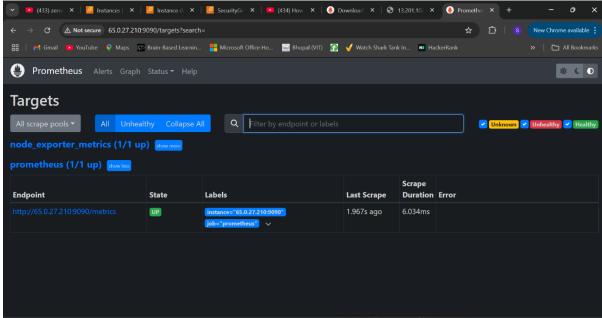
sudo systemctl enable prometheus

sudo systemctl status prometheus

Step 4: Access Prometheus Web UI

http://ec2serverip:9090 //PRIVATE IPV4 ADRESS OF PROMETHEUS EC2_INSTANCE





Prometheus Node Exporter on AWS EC2

I.Setup Node Exporter Binary:(on a new EC2 INSTANCE)

Step 1: Download the latest node exporter package. You should check the Prometheus downloads section for the latest version and update this command to get that package.

cd /tmp

wget

https://github.com/prometheus/node_exporter/releases/download/v1.9.0/node_exporter-1.9.0.linux-amd64.tar.gz

Step 2: Unpack the tarball

tar -xvf node_exporter-1.9.0.linux-amd64.tar.gz

Step 3: Move the node export binary to /usr/local/bin

sudo mv node_exporter-1.9.0.linux-amd64/node_exporter /usr/local/bin/

II. Create a Custom Node Exporter Service:

Step 1: Create a node_exporter user to run the node exporter service.

sudo useradd -rs /bin/false node_exporter

Step 2: Create a node_exporter service file under systemd.

sudo vi /etc/systemd/system/node_exporter.service

Step 3: Add the following service file content to the service file and save it.

[Unit]

Description=Node Exporter

After=network.target

[Service]

User=node_exporter

Group=node_exporter

Type=simple

ExecStart=/usr/local/bin/node exporter

[Install]

WantedBy=multi-user.target

Step 4: Reload the system daemon and star the node exporter service.

sudo systemctl daemon-reload

sudo systemctl start node_exporter

Step 5: check the node exporter status to make sure it is running in the active state.

sudo systemctl status node_exporter

Step 6: Enable the node exporter service to the system startup.

sudo systemctl enable node_exporter

Step 7: Access Node Exporter Web UI

http://serverip:9100/metrics //PUBLIC IPV4 OF NODE_EXPORTER EC2 INSTANCE

III. SETUP TARGET ON PROMETHEUS SERVER:

Now that we have the node exporter up and running on the server, we have to add this server a target on the Prometheus server configuration.

Note: This configuration should be done on the Prometheus server.

Step 1: Login to the Prometheus server and open the prometheus.yml file.

sudo vi /etc/prometheus/prometheus.yml

Step 2: Under the scrape config section add the node exporter target as shown below.

- job_name: 'node_exporter_metrics'

scrape_interval: 5s

static_configs:

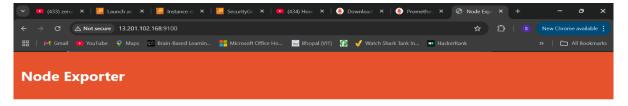
- targets: ['serverip:9100'] //PUBLIC IPV4 OF NODE_EXPORTER EC2 INSTANCE

Step 3: Restart the prometheus service for the configuration changes to take place.

sudo systemctl restart prometheus

Step 4: Access Node Exporter on Prometheus Web UI

http://ec2serverip:9090/targets //PUBLIC IPV4 OF NODE_EXPORTER EC2 INSTANCE



Prometheus Node Exporter

Version: (version=1.9.0, branch=HEAD, revision=02afa5c53c36123611533f2defea6ccd4546a9bb)

Download a detailed report of resource usage (pprof format, from the Go runtime):

- <u>heap usage (memory)</u>
 <u>CPU usage (60 second profile)</u>

To visualize and share profiles you can upload to pprof.me

