## Setup of mongo and elasticsearch

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## 1. System

- I use Debian, version 8.7 (why?)
- Vi is used as a text editor in the following
- MongoDB 3.4 and Elasticsearch 5.x

## 2. Why MongoDB and Elasticsearch?

- MongoDB is a database which stores data without the need for a pre-established model ("strict description") of this data. In practice: I can save something into MongoDB without spending time creating tables and stuff. Just save a JSON doc, that's it.
- MongoDB alone is great, but I will store gigabytes of data, with several text fields and some simple graph logic as well. Elasticsearch is known for managing well the indexes and queries related to these data types.
- A blog post which details how Elasticsearch helped on performances for Mongo: http://blog.quarkslab.com/mongodb-vs-elasticsearch-the-quest-of-the-holy-performances.html
- And Elasticsearch can then integrate with Kibana, a way to visualize query results. Awesome!

## 3. Installing MongoDB

source: https://docs.mongodb.com/manual/tutorial/install-mongodb-on-debian/

```
sudo apt-key adv --keyserver hkp://keyserver.ubuntu.com:80 --recv
0C49F3730359A14518585931BC711F9BA15703C6
echo "deb http://repo.mongodb.org/apt/debian jessie/mongodb-org/3.4 main" | sudo tee
/etc/apt/sources.list.d/mongodb-org-3.4.list
```

```
sudo apt-get update
```

sudo apt-get install -y mongodb-org

disable Transparent Huge Pages as per https://docs.mongodb.com/manual/tutorial/transparent-huge-pages/

create a new file:

```
sudo vi /etc/init.d/disable-transparent-hugepages
```

paste this in the text editor:

```
#!/bin/bash
### BEGIN INIT INFO
# Provides:
                     disable-transparent-hugepages
# Required-Start:
                     $local_fs
# Required-Stop:
# X-Start-Before:
                     mongod mongodb-mms-automation-agent
# Default-Start:
                     2 3 4 5
# Default-Stop:
                     0 1 6
# Short-Description: Disable Linux transparent huge pages
                     Disable Linux transparent huge pages, to improve
# Description:
                     database performance.
### END INIT INFO
case $1 in
 start)
    if [ -d /sys/kernel/mm/transparent_hugepage ]; then
      thp path=/sys/kernel/mm/transparent hugepage
    elif [ -d /sys/kernel/mm/redhat_transparent_hugepage ]; then
      thp_path=/sys/kernel/mm/redhat_transparent_hugepage
    else
      return 0
    fi
    echo 'never' > ${thp_path}/enabled
    echo 'never' > ${thp_path}/defrag
    re='^[0-1]+
    if [[ $(cat ${thp_path}/khugepaged/defrag) =~ $re ]]
    then
      # RHEL 7
      echo 0 > ${thp_path}/khugepaged/defrag
    else
      # RHEL 6
      echo 'no' > ${thp_path}/khugepaged/defrag
    fi
    unset re
    unset thp_path
esac
```

Make the file executable:

```
sudo chmod 755 /etc/init.d/disable-transparent-hugepages
```

Make the file to be ran on reboot:

sudo update-rc.d disable-transparent-hugepages defaults

Start Mongo:

sudo service mongod start

Check that it runs fine:

sudo cat /var/log/mongodb/mongod.log

→ There should be a line "[initandlisten] waiting for connections on port <port>"

And now stop it, as we will need to run it differently for elasticsearch:

sudo service mongod stop

### 3. Install Elasticsearch

source: https://www.elastic.co/guide/en/elasticsearch/reference/current/deb.html

Download the public signing key:

wget -q0 - https://artifacts.elastic.co/GPG-KEY-elasticsearch | sudo apt-key add -

Then:

sudo apt-get install apt-transport-https

echo "deb https://artifacts.elastic.co/packages/5.x/apt stable main" | sudo tee -a /etc/apt/sources.list.d/elastic-5.x.list

sudo apt-get update

sudo apt-get install elasticsearch

sudo /bin/systemctl daemon-reload

## 4. Config Elasticsearch

sudo vi /etc/elasticsearch/elasticsearch.yml

→ switch this param to true: bootstrap.memory\_lock: true

You then need to make sure the JVM Heap size is no more than half the RAM. First fix a memory param:

sudo mkdir /etc/systemd/system/elasticsearch.service.d
cd /etc/systemd/system/elasticsearch.service.d

Add these lines:

LimitMEMLOCK=infinity

Adjust resource limits:

sudo vi /etc/security/limits.conf

Add line:

elasticsearch - nofile 65536

Add a jvm parameter:

sudo vi /etc/elasticsearch/jvm.options

Add this line:

-Djava.io.tmpdir=/var/tmp

# 5. Install the mongo to elasticsearch connection

#### a. elastic2-doc-manager

This is a doc manager by mongodb labs.

Source: https://github.com/mongodb-labs/elastic2-doc-manager

```
sudo apt-get install python-setuptools
sudo easy_install pip
sudo pip install 'elastic2-doc-manager[elastic5]'
sudo pip install 'mongo-connector[elastic5]'
```

### b. run Mongo as a replicaset

```
sudo service mongod stop
```

Create the path for your db (if needed)

sudo mkdir -p /data/db

```
sudo vi /etc/mongod.conf
```

Change dbPath to /data/db

Then:

```
sudo chown -R mongodb:mongodb /data/db
```

Then launch mongo as a replicaset:

```
sudo mongod --port 27017 --dbpath /data/db --replSet rs0 --fork --logpath
/var/log/mongodb.mongod.log
```

#### 6. Install kibana

Kibana is the visualization engine for elastic.

```
sudo wget -q0 - https://artifacts.elastic.co/GPG-KEY-elasticsearch | sudo apt-key add
-
sudo apt-get install kibana
```

Configure Kibana to start automatically at boot:

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

#### 7. Install X-pack

https://www.elastic.co/guide/en/x-pack/current/installing-xpack.html

- it might need to create an empty file named /et/default/elasticsearch)
- see https://discuss.elastic.co/t/installing-x-pack-with-nonstandard-conf-dir/76448/3

#### **INFO**

the second command (x-pack install for kibana) takes long minutes, that's normal.

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

cd /usr/share/kibana sudo bin/kibana-plugin install x-pack

## 8. Disable the security component of X-Pack

This security component is hard to configure, and we don't need it if we run elasticsearch behind a web server and a reverse proxy, on a single machine.

Add xpack.security.enabled: false

to /etc/elasticsearch/elasticsearch.yml

and to /etc/kibana/kibana.yml

Also in the same kibana.conf file, change the default username and passwd to "elastic" and "changeme" **and leave the quotes** 

- start Elasticsearch: sudo /usr/share/elasticsearch/bin elasticsearch
- start Kibana: sudo /usr/share/kibana/bin kibana

## 9. Install the Mongo-connector for ElasticSearch

Source: https://blog.jixee.me/how-to-use-mongo-connector-with-elasticsearch/

```
sudo apt-get install python2.7 python-pip curl
sudo pip install mongo-connector
```

Edit the conf of Mongo to turn on replicasets:

```
sudo vi /etc/mongo.conf
(can also be: sudo vi /etc/mongod.conf)
```

Uncomment "replication", add two lines:

replication:

replSetName: rs0
oplogSizeMB: 100

sudo mongo-connector -m localhost:27017 -t localhost:9200 -d elastic2\_doc\_manager -n
database1.collection1,database1.collection2

#### 10. Start elasticsearch and Kibana

sudo service elasticsearch start
sudo systemctl start kibana.service

You can check that the connection is made here, your Mongo collections should be listed on this page:

http://localhost:9200/\_cat/indices?v

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