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Node-In-A-Box Software Installation Instructions

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1. Preface

National Geothermal Data System (NGDS) was a Department of Energy-funded effort to facilitate public access to information about geothermal resources from public and private sources. NGDS data is available through a distributed, scalable network of data providers.

1.1 Purpose and Audience

This document is a step-by-step tutorial to help new developers and users setup both **Publisher** and **Aggregator** instances of the **NGDS Software Stack**.

This document is intended for a technical audience who need to understand the concepts and the reasoning of the installation process. Targeted audiences include:

- **NGDS System Administrators**
- Software Architects
- Software Developers
- DoE Monitors

This document purports to:

- Describe NGDS and how it works
- Identify and describe the basic components that are necessary to install the NGDS Software Stack
- Provide step-by-step installation instructions for the NGDS Software Stack on an Ubuntu Linux operating system
- Outlines the process of installing the NGDS Software Stack in **production** mode, as compared to **development** mode.

This fulfills one of the main goals of NGDS: to provide a basis for a sustainable open-source software project that is attractive for an open source team to maintain. With this documentation, future NGDS System Administrators will be able to quickly understand the system and become productive. This document accommodates the possibility that an alternative organization may take over architectural oversight of NGDS software in the future.

1.2 Document Roadmap

This document outlines the architecture of NGDS and is structured in the following way:

- Section 2: A quick installation guide for advanced users.
- Section 3: NGDS Software Stack prerequisites
- Section 4: Installing the NGDS Software Stack on an Ubuntu Linux operating system
- Section 5: NGDS Software Stack installation troubleshooting
- Appendix A: Installation guide for an Ubuntu Linux virtual machine in VirtualBox
- Appendix B: An overview of the **development.ini** file
- Appendix C: NGDS architecture and diagrams and notes

1.3 System Scope and Background

NGDS is a distributed data-sharing network. NGDS data providers host data using their own computing resources and submit metadata describing their data to web-accessible NGDS metadata repositories (referred to hereafter as **publisher** nodes).

Metadata submitted to registered **publisher** nodes is regularly harvested by NGDS **aggregator** nodes, which create web-accessible metadata catalogs. A metadata catalog can be used to find and access any data described by metadata records in the catalog.

NGDS **publisher** and **aggregator** nodes are provided by the **NGDS Software Stack**.

NGDS requirements are discussed in detail in the requirements document [REQ2.7]. The software Architecture is discussed in detail in the software architecture Document [ARCH1.0].

1.3.1 What is the NGDS Software Stack?

The **NGDS Software Stack** is a collection of applications designed to interact with NGDS data, metadata, and interchange formats.

When installed, the NGDS Software Stack allows the computer on which it is installed to become an NGDS node. There are two types of NGDS nodes:

- **Publisher** nodes: When installed on a server and configured to act as a **publisher** node, the NGDS Software Stack provides a web-accessible interface that can be used to submit and manage metadata records. Metadata that has been added to a **publisher** node that has been *registered* with an NGDS **aggregator** node will be harvested by the **aggregator** node at regular intervals.
- **Aggregator** nodes: When installed on a server and configured to act as an **aggregator** node, the NGDS Software Stack provides a web-accessible metadata catalog to which harvested metadata records are added. An NGDS **aggregator** node will harvest metadata from any registered catalog service (CSW) or any registered NGDS **publisher** node.

Note that the NGDS Software Stack can also be installed in two *modes*:

- **Production** mode: a stable release of the software stack
- **Development** mode: used by developers to create new versions of the software stack for subsequent release

2. Quick Installation Guide

This section provides an overview of the installation process for the NGDS Software Stack. This section should only be used by experienced system administrators and developers who have installed NGDS before.

2.1 Install Xubuntu Linux

Install Xubuntu Linux 12.04 64-bit LTS and create a user with super-user privileges and the following credentials:

- Username: ngds
- Login as: ngds

2.2 Update Apt-Get

Open an Ubuntu Linux terminal and execute the following commands:

```
% sudo apt-get update
% sudo apt-get upgrade
```

2.3 Install the Oracle Java Development Kit (JDK)

- a. Add the Oracle JDK path to PATH
- b. Set the JDK_HOME environment variable

2.4 Install Git

Download the NGDS CKAN Extension and obtain the installation files by executing the following commands:

```
% cd ~
% mkdir tmp
% cd tmp
% git clone https://github.com/ngds/ckanext-ngds.git
% cd ckanext-ngds/installation
% sudo ./install ngds.sh
```

2.5 Start Apache Tomcat

Start Apache Tomcat and execute the following commands:

```
% cd /opt
% sudo chown -R ngds.ngds ngds
% cd /opt/ngds/tomcat/bin
% ./catalina.sh run
```

If the installation was performed correctly, the web-accessible interface provided by the NGDS Software Stack can be reached at:

<http://127.0.0.1/>

Having navigated to the above address, perform the following:

2.5.1. Log in with the following credentials:

- Username: admin
- Password: admin

2.5.2. Navigate to the following URL:

- <http://127.0.0.1/organization>

2.5.3. Add a new organization; make the name of the organization:

- Public

Note: **admin** is not a secure password. Though we will use it in examples for the remainder of this document, we recommend that you change the password to something more secure if you are concerned about security.

3. Prerequisites

Installing and configuring the individual components utilized by the NGDS Software Stack requires a physical or virtual computer with the following properties:

- Network access
- A properly configured Ubuntu Linux distribution 12.04 or higher operating system installed (example: Xubuntu 13.04 desktop-i386.iso)
- A user account with Super-User (Administrator) privileges
- At least 1024 megabytes of RAM; a physical computer that will be used to host a virtual machine should have sufficient RAM to allocate at least 1024 MB of RAM to a virtual machine

Appendix A of this document describes the steps necessary to create your own virtual machine and install Ubuntu Linux; Section 4 of this document describes the steps necessary to install the NGDS Software Stack as both a **publisher** and **aggregator** node.

4. Install the NGDS Software Stack

The NGDS Software Stack depends on a number of operating system components that must be installed on a computer before that computer can become an NGDS node. These components include:

- Java Development Kit (JDK)
- Git
- Apache SOLR
- PostgreSQL database
- PostgreSQL extensions for Geographical Information Systems (POSTGIS)
- Geoserver
- Apache Tomcat
- CKAN
- Python extensions
- gdal

To install these components, the computer on which they will be installed must have access to the Internet.

Many of these components will be installed automatically by the NGDS Software Stack installation script; the **Java Development Kit**, **Git**, **Apache SOLR**, and **Geoserver** must be installed manually.

Figure 1 provides a visual representation of the manner in which these components interact. Components near the top of the figure are *nested* within components near the bottom of the figure:

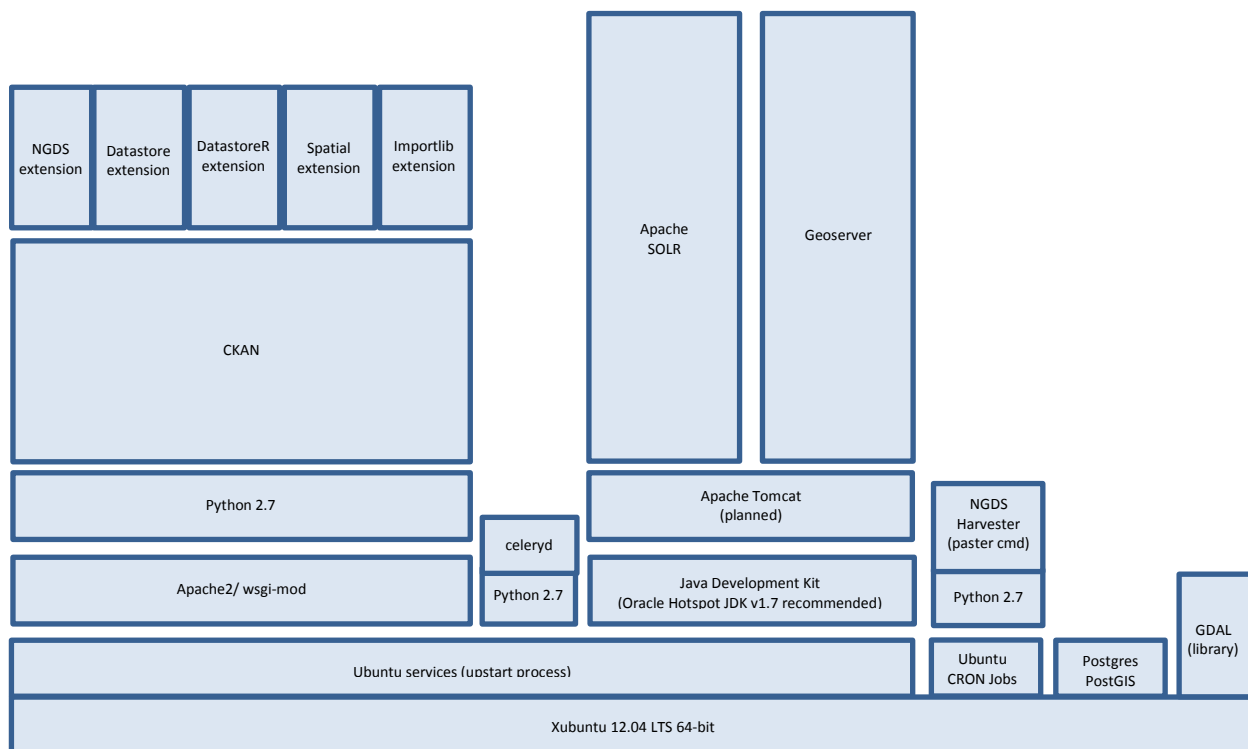


Figure 1: NGDS Software Stack in Production Mode

4.1 Update Apt-Get

Before installing the components listed in Section 4, you should verify that your **apt-get** program is working and up-to-date

To do so, open an Ubuntu Linux terminal and execute the following commands:

```
% sudo apt-get update
% sudo apt-get upgrade
% sudo reboot
% sudo apt-get upgrade
```

The **reboot** command is used because some upgrades require you to restart your machine before subsequent upgrades can be applied.

4.2 Install a Java Development Kit (JDK)

The first component of the NGDS Software Stack is a Java Development Kit (JDK) of your choice; the Oracle Hotspot JDK is recommended.

To install the Oracle Hotspot JDK, you will need to download an archive from the Oracle website:

<http://www.oracle.com/technetwork/java/javase/downloads/index.html>

Be sure to download the 64-bit version. At the time of writing of this document, the most up-to-date Oracle JDK 64-bit archive is:

jdk-7u45-linux-x64.tar.gz

After downloading the archive, extract it by opening an Ubuntu Linux terminal and executing the following commands:

```
% cd /opt
% sudo tar xvfz ~/Downloads/jdk-7u45-linux-x64.tar.gz
% sudo ln -s jdk-7u45-linux-x64 jdk
```

Navigate to the **etc** directory and use a text editor to edit the **environment** file there. Add the environment variable **JAVA_HOME** and modify the **PATH** variable so it appears as follows:

```
PATH=/opt/jdk/bin:<previous path value>
JAVA_HOME=/opt/jdk
```

To make sure that all changes are in effect reboot the system, open an Ubuntu Linux terminal, and execute the following command:

```
% java -version
```

The command should return a version number of the installed JDK.

4.3 Install Git

To install the **git** program, make sure you are logged in as **ngds**.

Open an Ubuntu Linux terminal and execute the following commands:

```
% sudo su
% sudo apt-get install git git-core
```

4.4 Obtain the NGDS Software Stack Installation Files

To obtain the installation files for the NGDS Software Stack, open an Ubuntu Linux terminal and execute the following commands:

```
% cd ~ngds
% mkdir tmp
% cd tmp
% git clone https://github.com/ngds/ckanext-ngds.git
```

4.5 Set Installation Parameters

Before running the NGDS Software Stack installation script, you will need to specify any required installation parameters. To do so, navigate to the following directory:

ckanext-ngds/installation/

Use a text editor to edit the following file:

install-ngds.sh

The most important variables to specify are:

- APPS (line 53): Installation base directory. Default is: `/opt/ngds`
- DEPLOYMENT_MODE (line xx): Choose between *central* or *node* mode. Default is: *node*

Other variables such as the Apache Tomcat home directory can be configured as well.

Do not change anything beyond line 95, which reads, “DO NOT CHANGE ANYTHING BELOW THIS POINT”.

4.6 Run the Installation Script

Open an Ubuntu Linux terminal and execute the following commands:

```
% cd ~ngds
% cd tmp
% sudo ./install_ngds.sh
% cd /opt
% sudo chown -R ngds.ngds ngds
```

This will install the NGDS Software Stack.

4.7 Final Steps

4.7.1. Start Apache Tomcat

After you have installed the NGDS Software Stack, you need to run the Apache Tomcat server software hosting Apache SOLR and Geoserver. To do so, open an Ubuntu Linux terminal and execute the following commands:

```
% cd /opt/ngds/tomcat/bin
% ./catalina.sh run
```

If the installation was performed correctly, the web-accessible interface provided by the NGDS Software Stack can be reached at:

`http://127.0.0.1/`

Having navigated to the above address, perform the following:

4.7.2. Log in with the following credentials:

- Username: admin
- Password: admin

4.7.3. Navigate to the following URL:

- <http://127.0.0.1/organization>

4.7.4. Add a new organization; make the name of the organization:

- Public

Note: **admin** is not a secure password. Though we will use it in examples for the remainder of this document, we recommend that you change the password to something more secure if you are concerned about security.

After these steps the system is configured to be used.

5. Troubleshooting your NGDS Installation

If the installation seems to stall out, check the output of the installation script to look for error messages

The most common errors are:

- 1) **Typos:** typos appearing in commands or paths can be very difficult to spot and can sometimes lead to unclear error messages. Check your text and paths carefully. Some scripts (such as BASH) are case-sensitive, so a lower-case or upper-case letter in the wrong place can cause problems.
- 2) **Permission Errors:** Permission errors occur when you try to perform an action without super-user capabilities. If you notice permission errors, use the **sudo** command (“super-user do”) to open up permissions on the directories involved.
- 3) **Path Errors:** Some paths in the **development.ini** file terminate in a **slash** character (/) and some do not; the presence or absence of a **slash** character can impede an installation. Compare your **development.ini** file with the entries listed in Appendix A of this document to make sure your **development.ini** file has **slash** characters in the right places. [See Appendix A for more information on the development.ini file.](#)

After evaluating the output of the installation script and fixing any errors you find, re-run the installation script.

If the NGDS CKAN Extension website fails to load correctly after running the installation script without apparent errors, we recommend running the **paster** command through Eclipse.

Eclipse is debugging software that can, in some cases, locate errors in a given operation and allow you to fix them as they are detected. Typically, Eclipse identifies typos or path errors.

See the Eclipse wiki (http://wiki.eclipse.org/Main_Page) for more information.

Appendix A Installing a Virtual Machine

If you are working with an operating system other than Linux (e.g., Windows) and will be installing the Ubuntu Linux operating system on a virtual machine, you will need to choose appropriate virtualization software. Virtual machines are supported by virtualization software that provides an abstract hardware representation emulating real host hardware. Virtualization allows the installation of a full operating system within a host OS.

In other words: a virtual machine is a computer that is created by a software application running on a host computer; a virtual machine therefore exists *entirely* within the memory of the host machine on which it is hosted. The obvious advantage here is that the resources of a single powerful host machine can be allocated to host many virtual machines for different purposes.

Though a virtual machine is not required for this project, this project requires a specific configuration of the Ubuntu Linux OS; a virtual environment is ideal for the installation of this configuration.

Currently, two free virtual environment managers are available: VMware Player, and Oracle VirtualBox. They can be downloaded on the links below:

- VMWare Player: <http://www.vmware.com/products/player/>
- Oracle VM VirtualBox: <https://www.virtualbox.org/wiki/Downloads>

This tutorial was developed using VirtualBox version 4.2.10 for Windows. Here, we install Linux Ubuntu 12.04 LTS from Canonical.

A.1 Creating an Ubuntu Linux Virtual Machine using VirtualBox

The steps in Appendix A of this document describe the installation of Ubuntu Linux (or Xubuntu) on a virtual machine supported by version 4.2.10 of Oracle VM VirtualBox. Newer versions of VirtualBox can be utilized.

A.1.1 Download and install Oracle VM VirtualBox Manager

Download and install version 4.2.10 of Oracle VM VirtualBox on a Windows computer of your choice. Doing so allows your Windows computer to support one or more virtual machines.

Download the software from: <https://www.virtualbox.org/wiki/Downloads>

Run the installer and follow the on-screen instructions to install VirtualBox.

A.1.2 Create an Ubuntu Linux Virtual Machine

Run the VirtualBox application installed previously and use it to create a virtual machine:

1. Run the VirtualBox application
2. Create a new virtual machine
3. Specify the following (Figure 1):
 - a. **Name:** NGDS

-
- b. **Type:** Linux
 - c. **Version:** Ubuntu
 4. Allocate at least 1024 MB of ram to your virtual machine (Figure 2)
 5. Create a hard drive for your new virtual machine (Figure 3)
 6. Specify the type of hard drive used by your virtual machine (Figure 4); the drive type you select determines the compatibility of the virtual hard disk you create with different virtualization software
 7. Specify disk space allocation (Figure 5); dynamic allocation allows your virtualization software to allocate more hard drive space from the virtualization platform to this virtual hard drive as-needed
 8. Allocate disk space to your virtual hard drive (Figure 6); this allocates a specified amount of hard drive space from the virtualization platform to the virtual machine

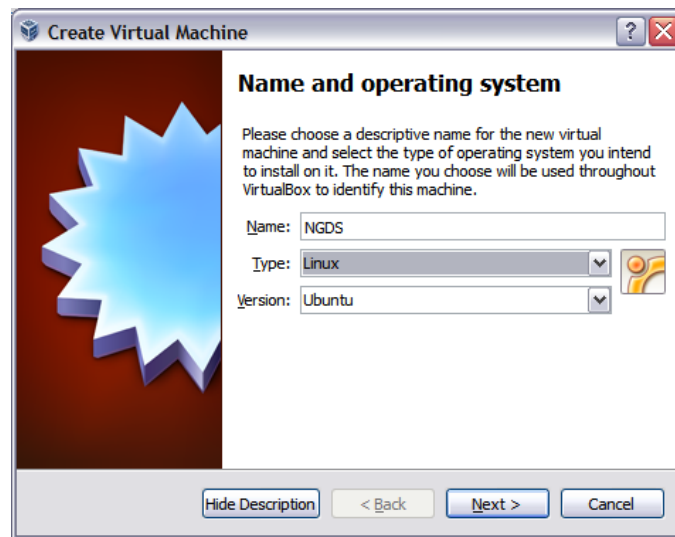


Figure 2: Create a new Linux virtual machine

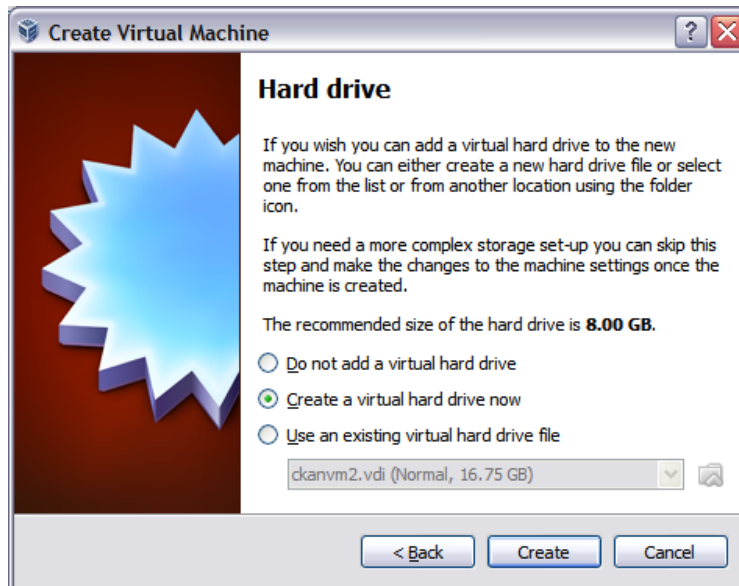


Figure 4: Create a virtual hard disk

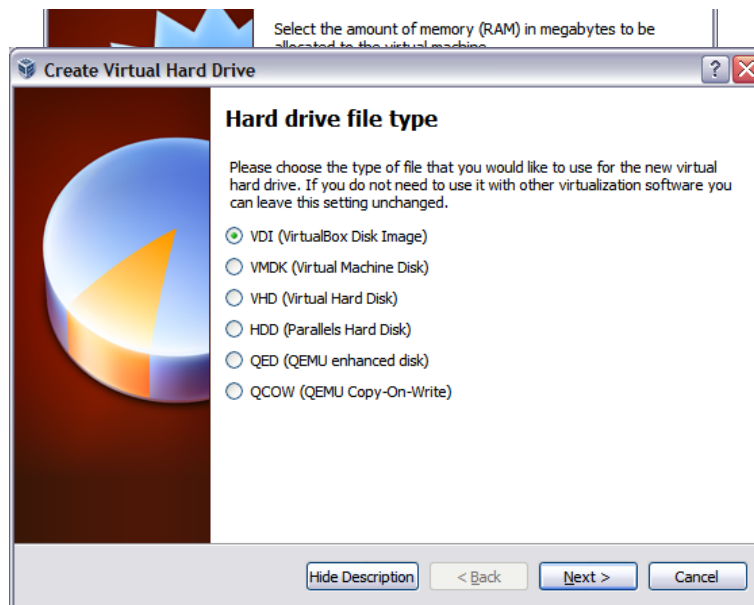


Figure 5: Specify the image type

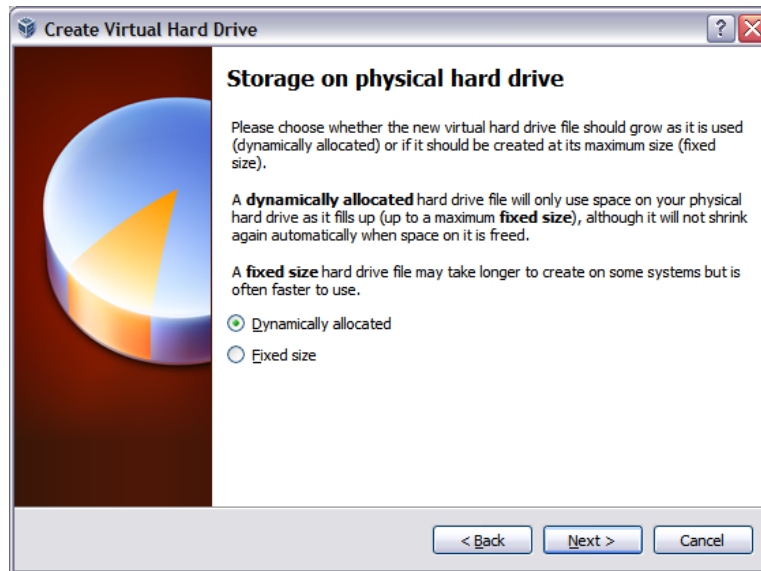


Figure 6: Specify storage allocation

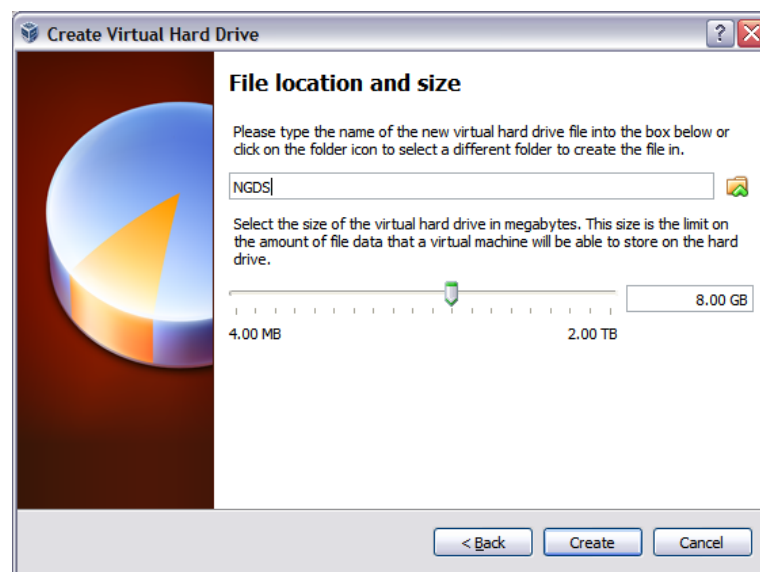


Figure 7: Configure virtual hard drive

A.1.3 Configure your Virtual Machine

Open the **Oracle VM VirtualBox Manager** (Figure 7); select your virtual machine and click **Settings**.

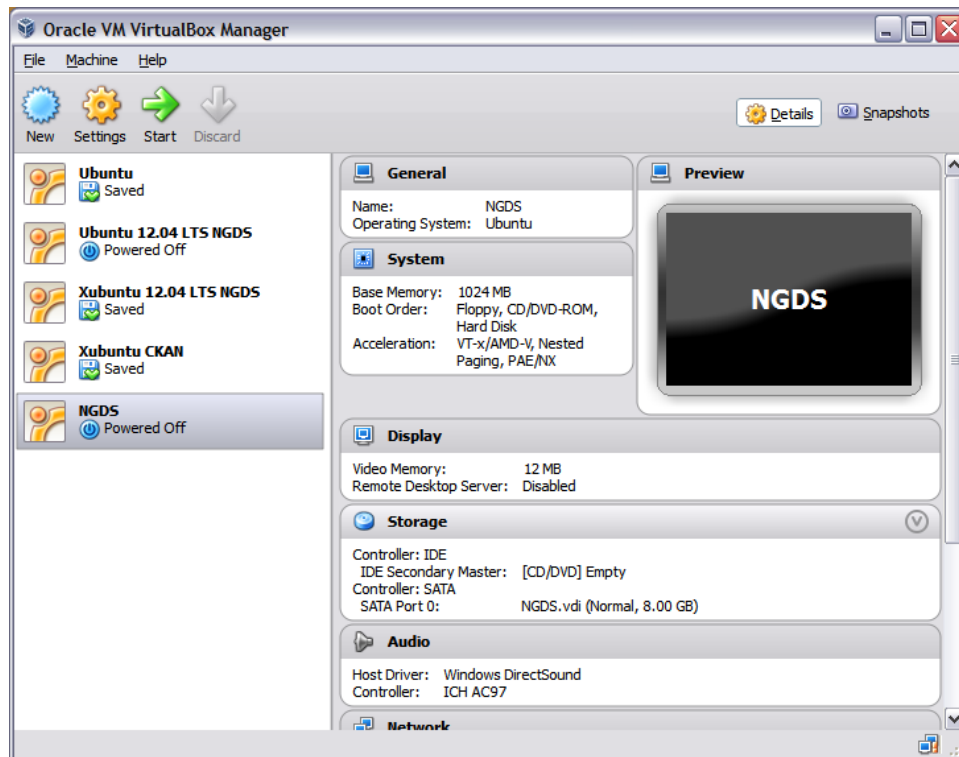


Figure 8: Configuring a virtual machine in VirtualBox

First, enable the **Shared Clipboard**:

1. Select **General** settings
2. Select the **Advanced** tab (Figure 8)
3. Click the **Shared Clipboard** dropdown menu
4. Select **Bidirectional**

This will enable anyone who connects to this virtual machine to copy and paste between the virtual machine and the computer used to connect to the virtual machine (including the computer on which the virtual machine is hosted).

Virtual machines, being virtual, are distinct from the computer that is used to connect to them and therefore do not necessarily share the same clipboard by default.

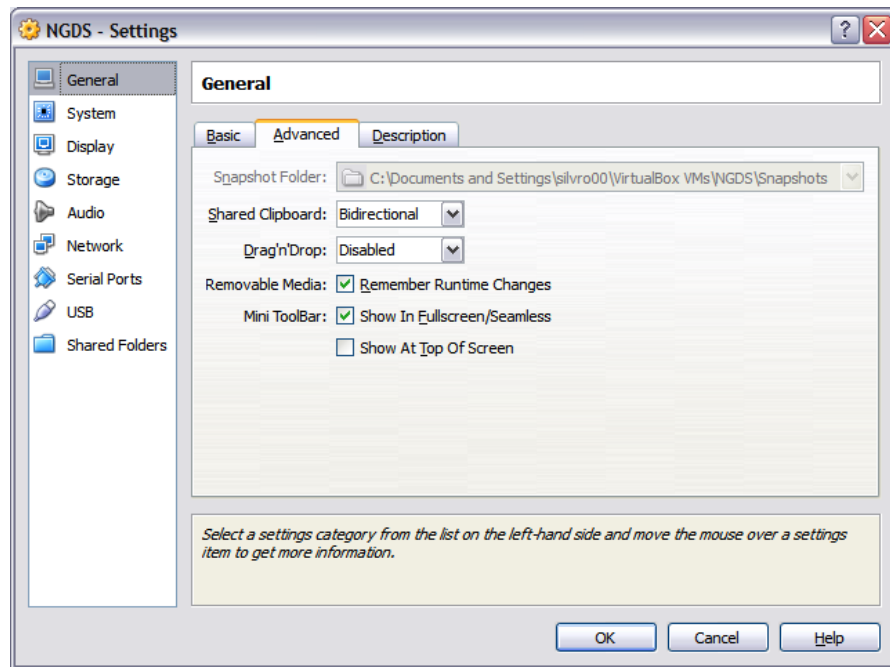


Figure 9: Enabling the shared clipboard

Now that your virtual machine is created and configured, you can install an existing Linux distribution.

A.1.4 Download an Ubuntu ISO image

An ISO image is a type of virtual CD (ISO stands for *International Standards Organization*; an ISO image is an image of an ISO-standard CD).

CD images are files that can be loaded and read by virtual CD drives. Virtual CD drives are software applications that emulate a CD-ROM drive in much the same way that an entire computer can be emulated by virtualization software.

To install Ubuntu on a virtual machine, you will need an ISO image of an Ubuntu installation file, available at: <http://releases.ubuntu.com/12.04/>

This tutorial utilizes the Long Term Service (LTS) version of Ubuntu, which features long-term support (3 years): <http://releases.ubuntu.com/12.04/ubuntu-12.04-desktop-i386.iso>

A.1.5 Mount the Linux installation .ISO file in your virtual machine

After downloading an ISO image but *before* starting it, mount it within the VirtualBox environment and use it to install the Ubuntu operating system on your virtual machine:

1. In the **Oracle VM VirtualBox Manager** (Figure 8), select the virtual machine you created in Section 3.2.2 and click **Settings**
2. In the **Settings** window, click **Storage** (Figure 9).

3. In the **Storage** panel, click the **CD** icon next to the **CD/DVD Drive** dropdown menu.
4. Navigate to the ISO image you downloaded in Section 3.2.4; select the ISO file
5. In the **Storage** panel, click **OK** to mount the image

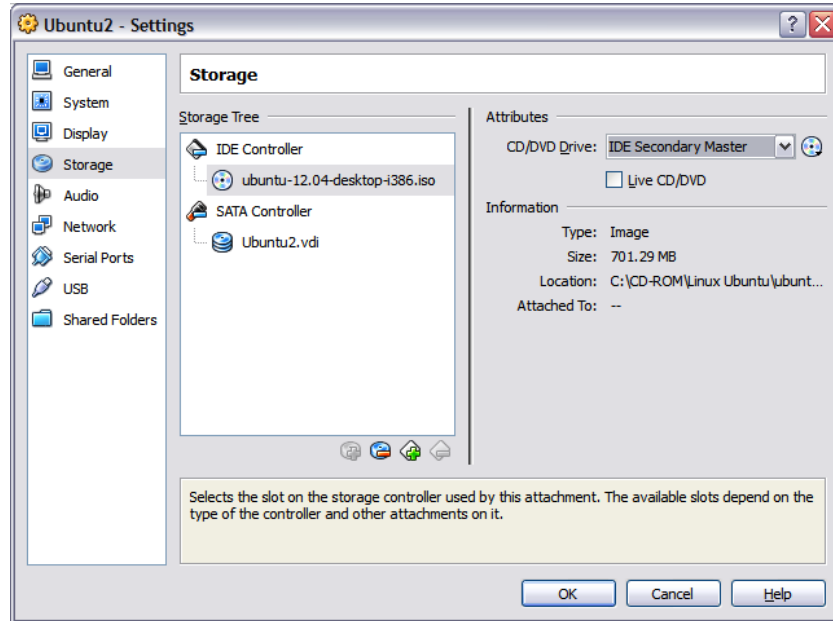


Figure 10: Mounting the Ubuntu ISO image in the VM

A.1.6 Install Ubuntu Linux 12.04

In the **Oracle VM VirtualBox Manager** (Figure 7), select your virtual machine and click **Run**. This will start your virtual machine.

When started, your virtual machine will prompt you to install the operating system loaded in the image in much the same manner as you would on a physical computer.

Click **Install Ubuntu** to begin; follow the on-screen instructions (Figure 11).

When you are prompted to do so, create a user with the username **ngds**; specify a password of your choice.

When the installation is complete, restart your virtual machine and log in using the username **ngds** and the password you specified during the Ubuntu installation process (Figure 11).

In addition to the above, it is recommended that you install the **Guest Additions** module.

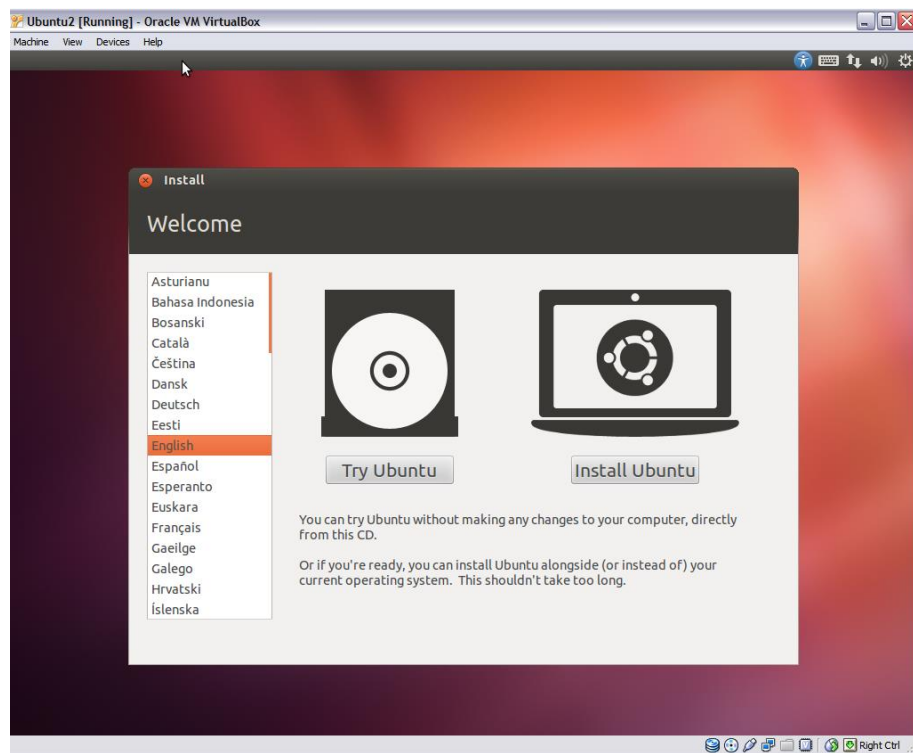


Figure 11: The Ubuntu Linux installation screen

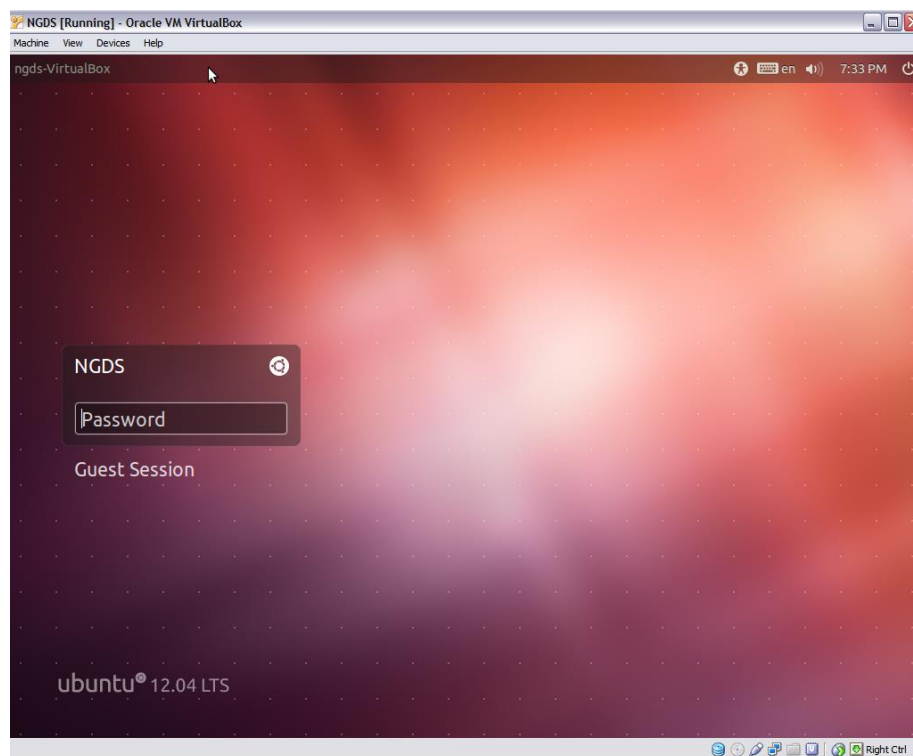


Figure 12: Logging on to Ubuntu Linux

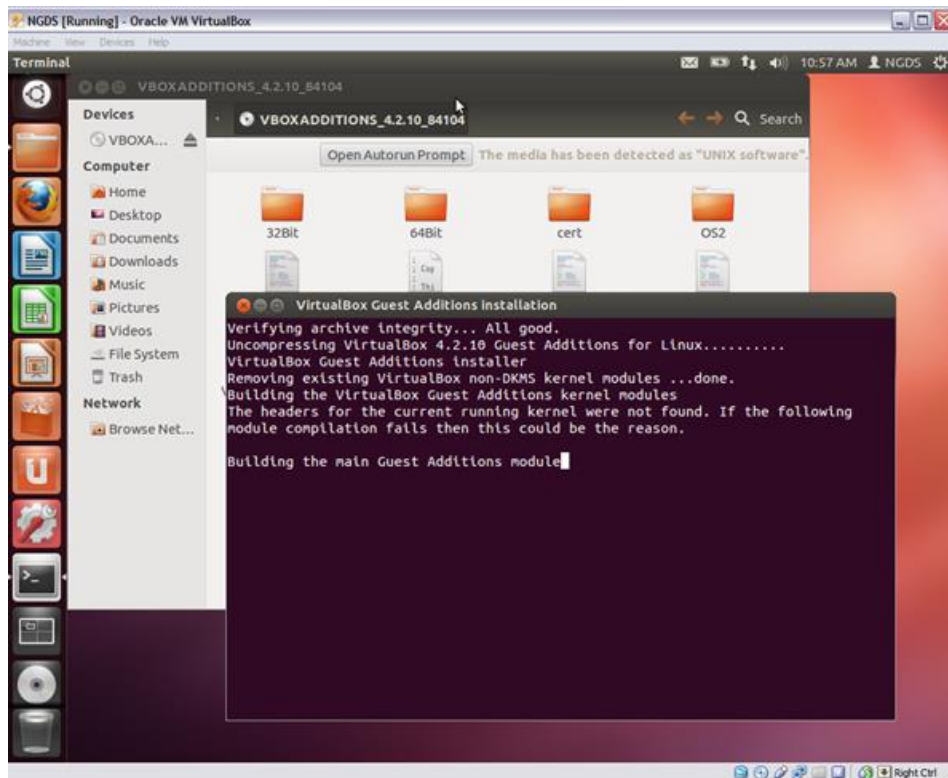


Figure 13: Installing the Guest Additions module for Ubuntu Linux

A.1.7 Take a Snapshot

Take a Snapshot of your virtual machine before continuing. A Snapshot is a record of the virtual machine that can be used to restore it to its condition at the time the Snapshot was taken. Snapshots are typically used as precautions against failure at a later date.

A Snapshot can be taken via the **VirtualBox Manager**.

A.2 Accommodating a corporate firewall (OPTIONAL)

If the computer you are using to host your virtual machine is behind a corporate firewall, your virtual machine may not have immediate Internet access. Internet connectivity is required in order to install NGDS Software Stack components on your virtual machine (as will be discussed in Section 3).

A.2.1 Install and Configure CNTLM

CNTLM is a *proxy* that authenticates the user with a log-in and password, a typical requirement for corporate firewalls. If you are not behind a firewall that requires authentication, you can skip this step.

CNTLM is available at: <http://cntlm.sourceforge.net/>

After installing CNTLM on your host machine, use a text editor to modify the **cntlm.ini** file; here, specify the credentials your host machine uses to bypass your corporate firewall. An example appears in Table 1 below:

```
Username    yourcorporateproxyusernamehere
Domain      us008
Password    yourpasswordhere
# List of corporate proxies
Proxy       proxyfarm-us.3dns.netz.sbs.de:84
Proxy       129.73.8.72:8080
Proxy       129.73.11.208:3128
NoProxy     localhost, 127.0.0.*, 10.*, 192.168.*
# local port used by CMTLM
Listen      3128
```

In the example above, text strings preceded by a pound sign or hash symbol (#) are *comments* for the benefit of human operators; comments are not interpreted by any program reading the **cntlm.ini** file.

When configuring CNTLM, be sure to specify a localhost (**NoProxy**) entry with appropriate IP addresses and an appropriate port. The default CNTLM port is 3128. Asterisks (*) are *wildcard characters* which indicate the range of available possibilities for a given character – so 10.* can be 10.0, 10.1, or 10.2, all the way up to 10.9.

To use CNTLM, make sure CNTLM is running on your host machine whenever you run the virtual machine you created previously. If CNTLM is not running on the host machine, your virtual machine will be unable to establish an Internet connection.

CNTLM can be executed by command prompt or set to run as a Windows service. Starting CNTLM from a command prompt is useful within a development environment because doing so allows you to manually restart CNTLM in response to freezes or crashes.

A.2.2 Configure your virtual machine environment to use CNTLM as its proxy

Log in to your virtual machine; navigate to the **etc** directory and use a text editor to manually edit the **environment** file. Add the proxies specified above to the **environment** file; an example appears below:

```
http_proxy=http://10.0.2.2:3128/
https_proxy=http://10.0.2.2:3128/
ftp_proxy=http://10.0.2.2:3128/
no_proxy="localhost,127.0.0.1,192.168.50.1,192.168.50.2"
HTTP_PROXY=http://10.0.2.2:3128/
HTTPS_PROXY=http://10.0.2.2:3128/
FTP_PROXY=http://10.0.2.2:3128/
```

```
NO_PROXY="localhost,127.0.0.1,192.168.50.1,192.168.50.2"
```

Alternatively, you can use the Ubuntu Network Configuration application to manually specify the desired proxies (Figure 13).

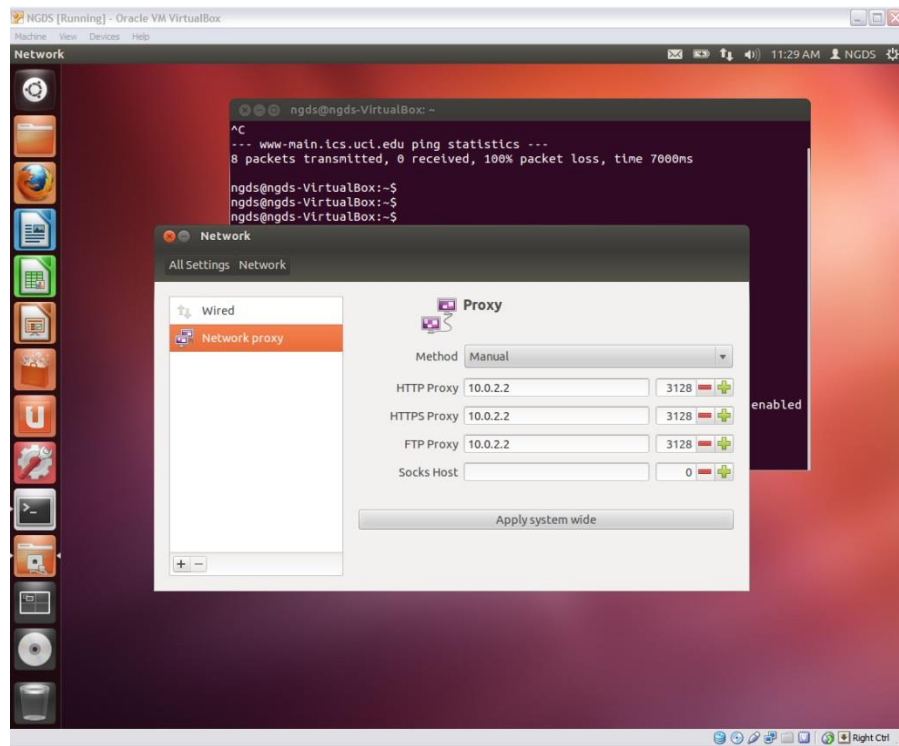


Figure 14: Configuring a proxy in Ubuntu Linux

A.2.3 What to do if cntlm and proxy continue to cause issues

- 1) If possible, finish the install on a virtual machine connected to the Internet instead of a local intranet. If this is not possible, you will need to configure your virtual machine's settings in such a way that you are able to use the **apt get** command; negotiating an intranet may require installation of CNTLM within your virtual machine, as well.
- 2) If CNTLM causes issues after you have successfully installed the software, but then when you try to open the web sites locally hosted and CNTLM then causes issues, establish port forwarding within your virtual machine to forward the ports of interest (e.g. 5000, etc) to your physical machine, and browse the web sites on your physical machine. At least at CT RTC this solves the issues with the proxy.

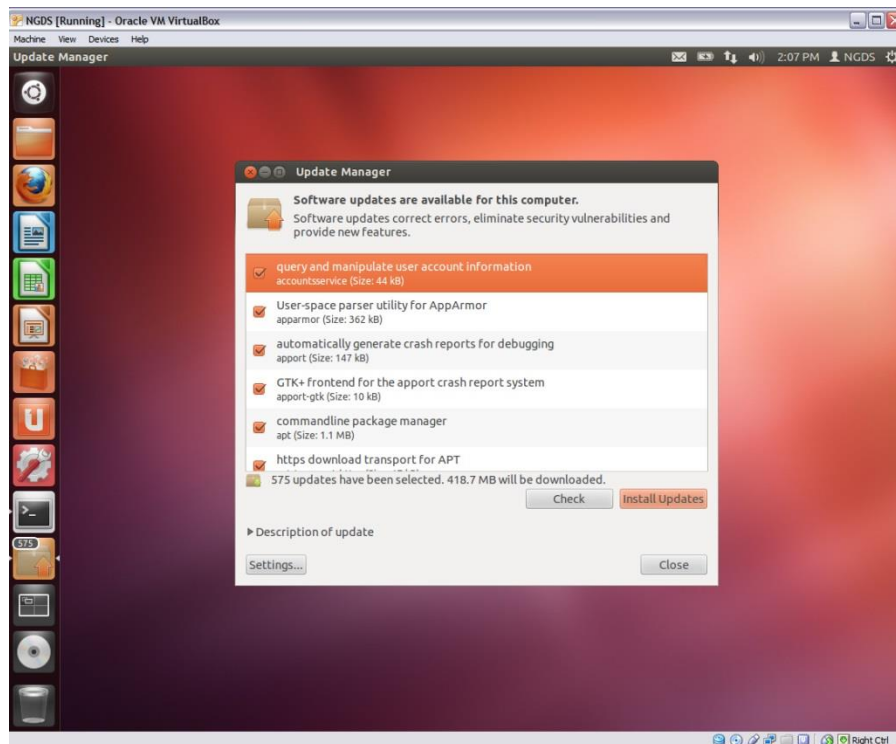


Figure 15: Installing updates in Ubuntu Linux

Appendix B The development.ini file

The initial **development.ini** file is automatically generated by the installation script. The NGDS plug-ins list that is in this file needs to be modified. This list needs to be manually updated. The installation script will have prompted you to update this list of plugins and other values in the development.ini file.

Important note: **development.ini** is divided into various sections; section headers are demarcated by [brackets]. All CKAN parameters described in this document must be entered into the [app:main] section!

The code block below contains a summary of all changes that need to be made to the **development.ini** file during the NGDS CKAN Extension installation process.

```
sqlalchemy.url = postgresql://testuser:pass@localhost/testdb

ckan.datastore.write_url = postgresql://testuser:pass@localhost/test_datastore
ckan.datastore.read_url = postgresql://readonlyuser:pass@localhost/test_datastore


ngds.resources_dir=/home/yourname/pyenv/src/ckanext-ngds/ckanext/ngds/base/resources/


ckan.geoserver.url=http://localhost:8080/geoserver/rest
ckan.geoserver.workspace_name=NGDS
ckan.geoserver.workspace_URL=http://localhost:5000/ngds


ckan.site_id = ckan_instance

solr_url = http://localhost:8983/solr


ckan.storage.bucket=subdir

ofs.impl=pairtree

ofs.storage_dir=/home/yourname/storage/

ngds.deployment=node
```

```
ngds.default_group_name=public

ngds.logo_text=CONTRIBUTING GEOTHERMAL DATA

ngds.bulk_upload_dir=/home/yourname/upload

ngds.facets_config=/home/yourname/pyenv/src/ckanext-ngds/facet-config.json


ckan.plugins = stats json_preview recline_preview datastore datastorer ngdsui
ckan_harvester metadata geoserver csw
```

B.1 Development.ini Considerations

- Plugins must be set *incrementally* during installation; they cannot be added all at once. Instead, plugins must be added *after* their dependencies have been added.
- You need to choose between the **datastorer** and **harvest** plugins depending on your CKAN installation:
 - When running NGDS in **node** mode (**ngds.deployment = node**), you need the **datastorer** plugin
 - When running NGDS in **central** mode (**ngds.deployment = central**), you need the **harvest** plugin
 - These two plugins *cannot* be installed in the same instance of the NGDS CKAN Extension!
- Trailing slashes on paths must be identical to those specified in the code block above.

Appendix C Architectural and Deployment Diagrams

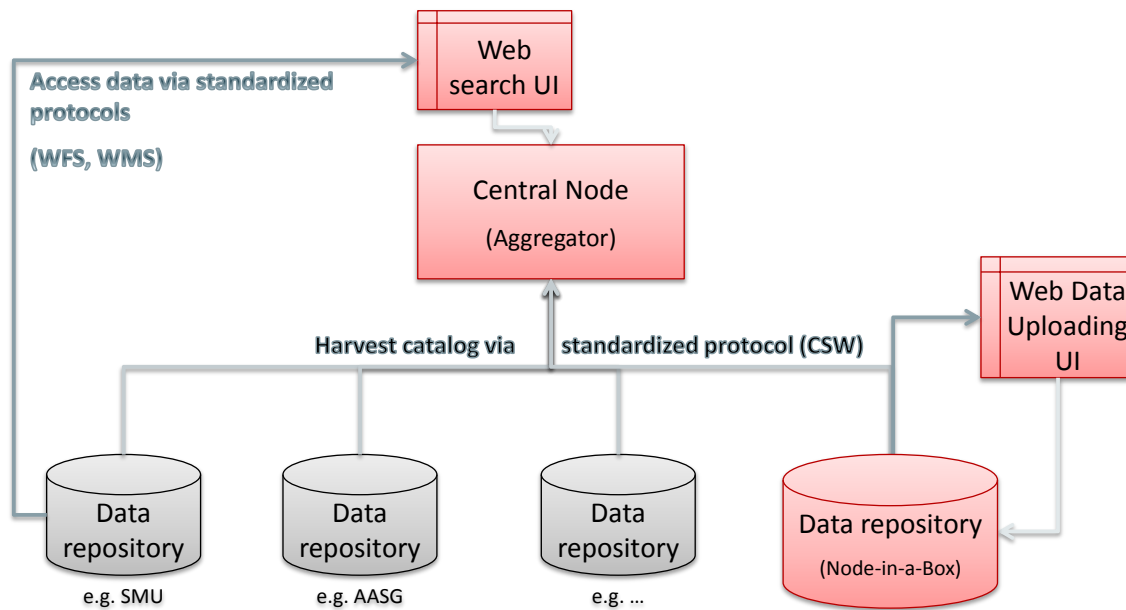


Figure 16: A diagram of NGDS

C.1 What is CKAN?

CKAN stands for **Comprehensive Knowledge Archive Network**.

CKAN is modular free-and-open-source data portal software. When properly installed on a server, CKAN provides a web-accessible interface by which users can submit and manage metadata records. The CKAN user interface also allows users to configure automated metadata harvesting from registered CKAN instances (an *instance* is a specific installation of the CKAN software); metadata harvested in this way is used to generate a web-accessible catalog. These traits are well-suited to the requirements of NGDS.

A CKAN *extension* is a user-generated modification of the CKAN software. The NGDS CKAN Extension is a CKAN extension designed to interact with NGDS data, metadata, and interchange formats. See Figure 17 for an overview of the components of CKAN as developed for use in NGDS.

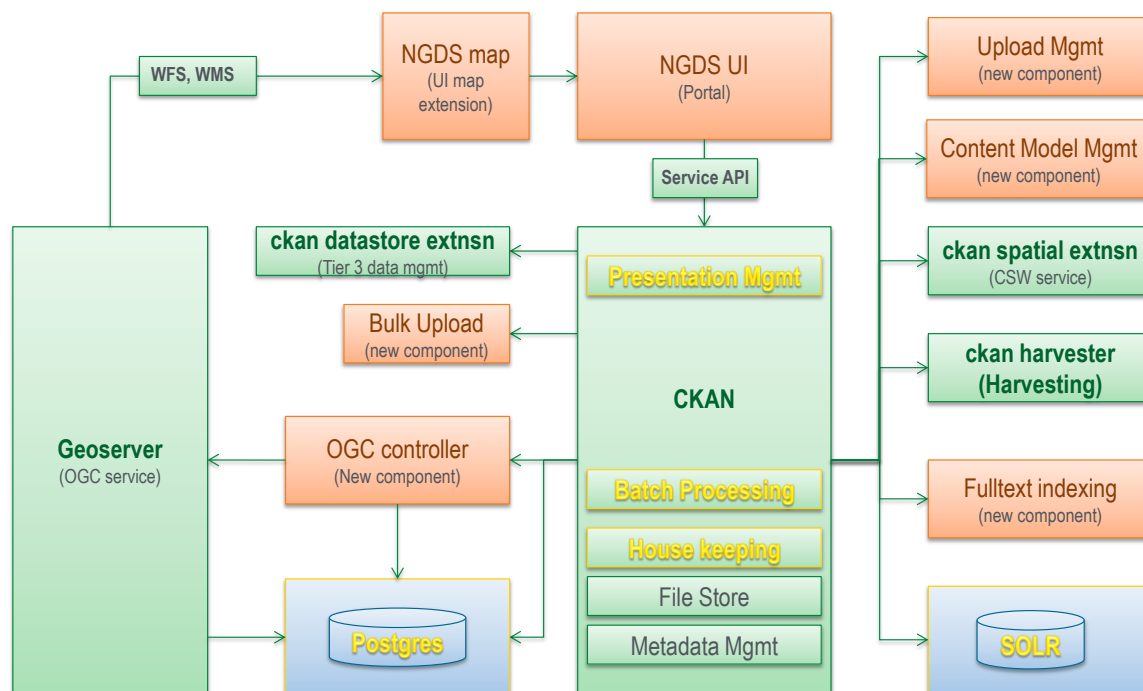


Figure 17: NGDS High-level Components

C.2 Domain Model

The Domain Model of NGDS can be represented as a class diagram (Figure 18). This shows the relationships of the separate entities that comprise the system; boxes on the left and bottom represent end users accessing the system, which results in discovering datasets, OGC-compliant web services, and other resources.

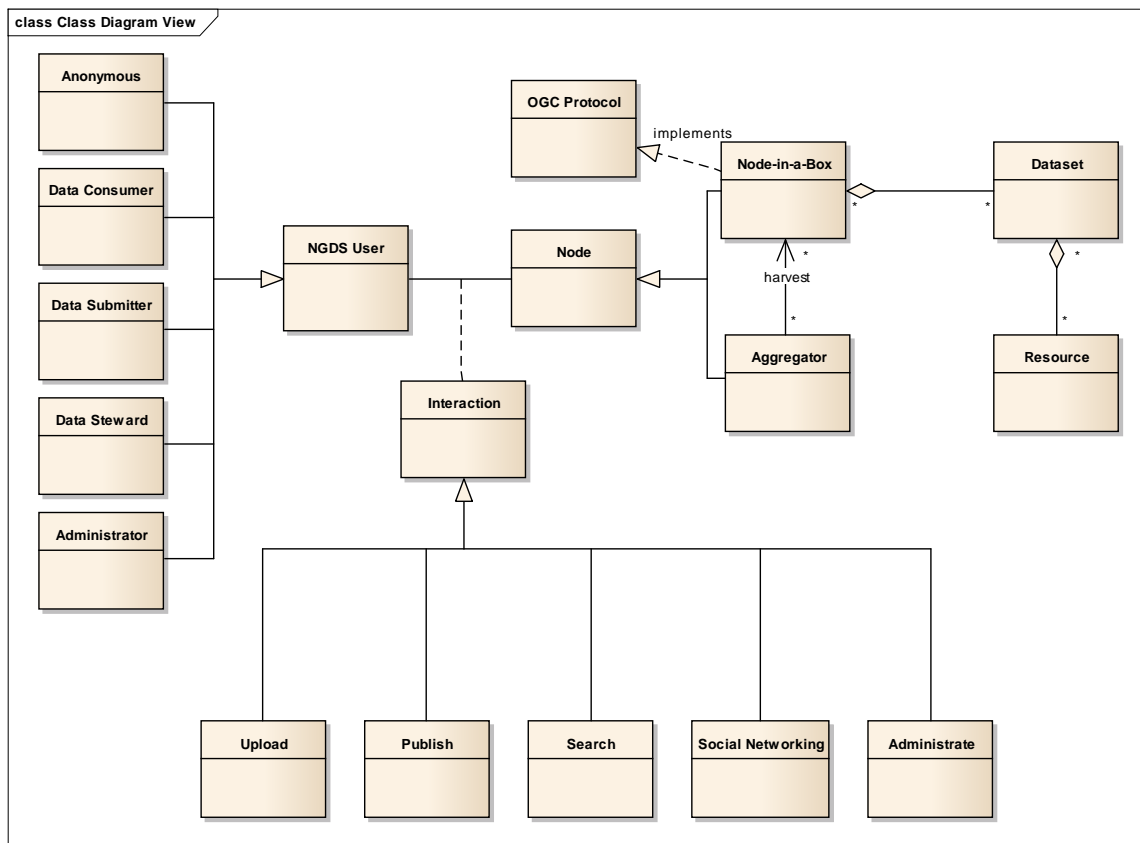


Figure 18: NGDS Domain Model as a Class Diagram

C.3 Additional Notes on CKAN in Production Mode

When running CKAN in **production** mode, consider the following:

- CKAN runs as wsgi job behind apache2; you can control it with the following command:

```
sudo service apache2 start|stop|restart|status
```

- The celeryd runs as a service; you can control it with the following command:

```
sudo service ngds-celeryd start|stop|restart|status
```

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- If Tomcat needs to be started manually, do so with the following command:

```
cd /opt/ngds/tomcat/bin; ./catalina.sh run
```

- Both SOLR and Geoserver are hosted by the same tomcat in order to reduce the amount of resources needed to run the system.
- Configure the CATALINA_OPTS variable to provide more stackspace for tomcat (the default values are too low for production mode).
- CKAN should not be run behind apache2. Instead, we recommend the following commands:

```
% sudo service apache2 stop
% cd /opt/ngds/bin/default
% . ./bin/activate
% cd ckan
% ln -s /opt/ngds/etc/ckan/default/production.ini ./development.ini
% paster serve development.ini
```
