

Infrastructure Training Lesson 3 Recap

Elasticsearch and Kibana

About Elasticsearch



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- ➤ A big data storing tool; a NoSQL database
- ➤ In general store and index documents
- ➤ In UiPath Orchestrator store messages logged by the robots

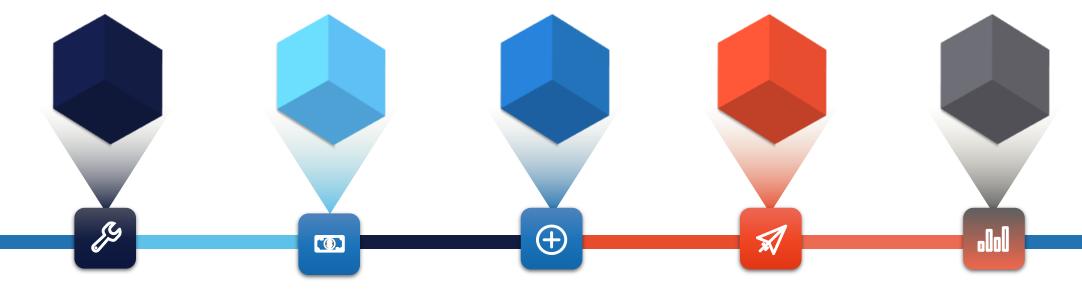


Uses of Elasticsearch



- > Search for a word or a phrase in the message,
- ➤ Apply search criteria to any field that is indexed log level, username, robot name, process name
- Create charts and put them in dashboards (using Kibana)

Place of Elasticsearch



Ui Path

Elasticsearch is an integral part of our solution.

Elasticsearch is a free product

It is optional, but highly recommended Several times quicker in searches, compared to SQL database Along with Kibana, it offers the means to run BI and MI reports, analytics

NLog, Elasticsearch, other logging solutions

NLog supports standard targets and custom targets

Other targets for NLog: MongoDB, Splunk, Kafka, etc



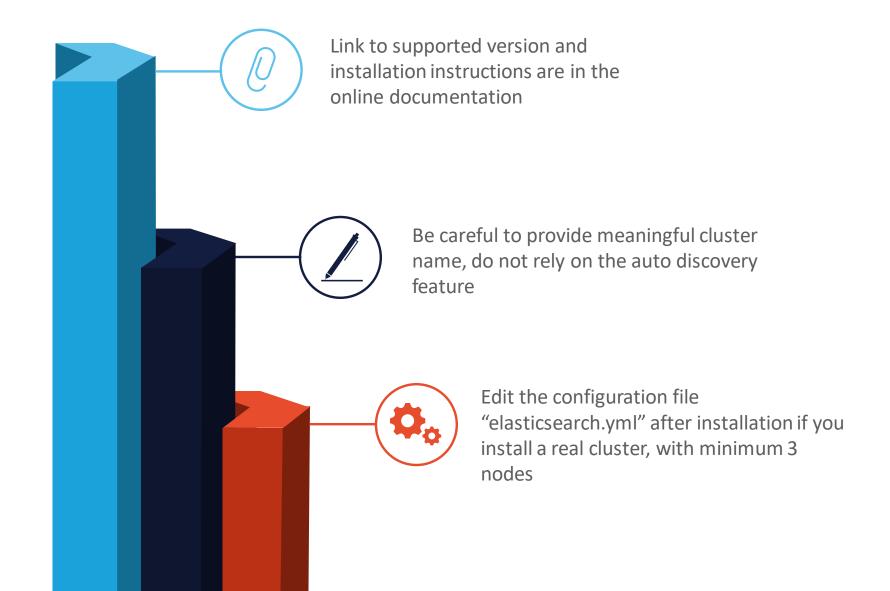


Orchestrator uses the NLog library to collect messages from the robots and redirect them to one or more targets

Elasticsearch is a custom target, using an extension (a bridge)

Worst case: write messages into a flat file (text) and use a log collector to transfer them

Installation of Elasticsearch



Kibana





A visualization plugin over Elasticsearch



Link to supported version and installation instructions are in the online documentation



Necessary files and instructions to create a Windows service for Kibana are also in the online documentation

Index pattern in Kibana



Create an index pattern after installation



Create an index pattern after a new tenant is added in Orchestrator



Run AddMessageToElasticsearch PowerShell script to force the creation of the first index



Examples of index names (composed of tenant name, year and month)

- default-2017.10, default-2017.11, default-2017.12, default-2018.01
- rpacoe-2018.01, rpacoe-2018.02, rpacoe-2018.03



Kibana searches





In Kibana web interface, click on Discover

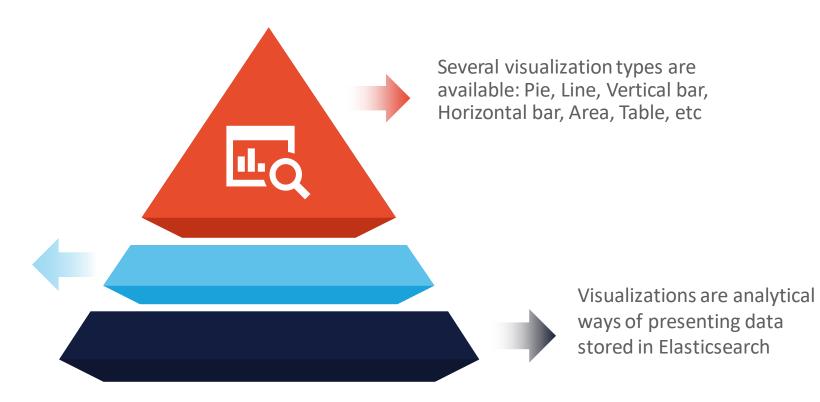


Uses lucene query syntax

Visualizations

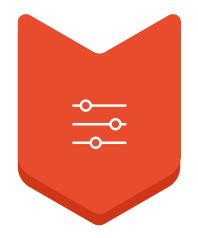


Create new visualizations, export and share the existing ones



Dashboard





A dashboard is a collection of visualizations on the same page



Examine Default dashboards



Watch the Kibana tutorials to learn useful information from Elasticsearch



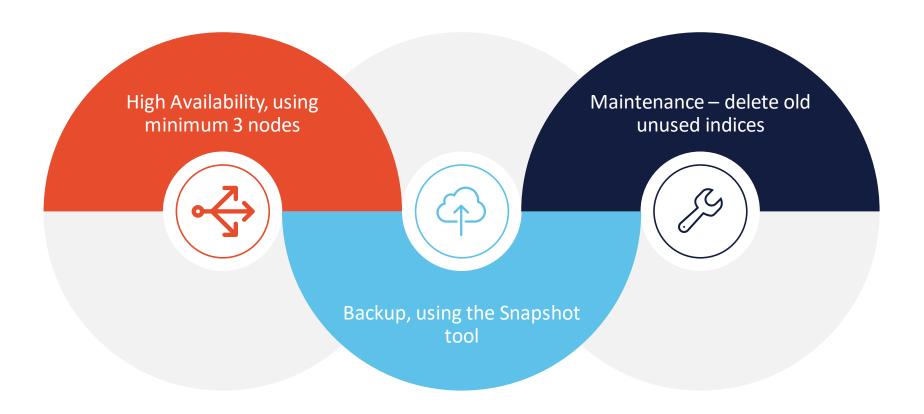
Export / import of visualizations and dashboards



Warning: custom fields

Elasticsearch – backup, snapshots







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