

# Experiment no . 10

**Aim :** To perform Port, Service monitoring, Windows/Linux server monitoring using Nagios.

## **Theory :**

### **Linux – Network Monitoring Tools**

Network monitoring is using a system (hardware or software) that continuously observes your network and the data flows through it, depending on how the monitoring solution actually functions and informs the network administrator. We can keep a check on all the activities of our network easily. While Network management we need network Monitoring.

To monitor Windows Machines you will need to follow several steps and they are:

Install NSClient++ addon on the Windows Machine.

Configure Nagios Server for monitoring Windows Machine.

Add new host and service definitions for Windows machine monitoring.

Restart the Nagios Service.

To make this guide simple and easier, a few of configuration already done for you in the Nagios installation.

A check\_nt command definition already added to the command.cfg file. This definition command is used by check\_nt plugin to monitor Windows services.

A windows-server host template already created in the templates.cfg file. This template allows you to add new Windows host definitions.

Check Nagios Configuration path

Login to Nagios Server. Use the following command to check the Nagios configuration path.

```
$ ps -ef | grep nagios
```

```
[root@devopsmyway ec2-user]# ps -ef | grep nagios
nagios 2694 1 0 12:50 ? 00:00:00 /usr/sbin/nagios -d /etc/nagios/nagios.cfg
nagios 2697 2694 0 12:50 ? 00:00:00 /usr/sbin/nagios --worker /var/spool/nagios/cmd/nagios.qh
nagios 2698 2694 0 12:50 ? 00:00:00 /usr/sbin/nagios --worker /var/spool/nagios/cmd/nagios.qh
nagios 2699 2694 0 12:50 ? 00:00:00 /usr/sbin/nagios --worker /var/spool/nagios/cmd/nagios.qh
nagios 2700 2694 0 12:50 ? 00:00:00 /usr/sbin/nagios --worker /var/spool/nagios/cmd/nagios.qh
nagios 2702 2694 0 12:50 ? 00:00:00 /usr/sbin/nagios -d /etc/nagios/nagios.cfg
root 3103 2904 0 12:55 pts/0 00:00:00 grep --color=auto nagios
[root@devopsmyway ec2-user]#
```

Create config files for Windows and Linux host

Create a directory, say monitorhosts in /etc/nagios/objects/

\$ mkdir /etc/nagios/objects/monitorhosts

```
[root@ip-172-31-25-189 ec2-user]# mkdir /etc/nagios/objects/monitorhosts
```

Create two directories, say linuxhosts and windowshosts

in /etc/nagios/objects/monitorhosts/

\$ mkdir /etc/nagios/objects/monitorhosts/windowshosts

```
[root@ip-172-31-25-189 ec2-user]# mkdir /etc/nagios/objects/monitorhosts/windowshosts
```

\$ mkdir /etc/nagios/objects/monitorhosts/linuxhosts

```
[root@ip-172-31-25-189 ec2-user]# mkdir /etc/nagios/objects/monitorhosts/linuxhosts
```

\$ cp /etc/nagios/objects/windows.cfg

/etc/nagios/objects/monitorhosts/windowshosts/windowsserver.cfg

```
[root@devopsmyway objects]# cp /etc/nagios/objects/windows.cfg /etc/nagios/objects/monitorhosts/windowshosts/windowsserver.cfg
[root@devopsmyway objects]#
```

\$ cp /etc/nagios/objects/localhost.cfg

/etc/nagios/objects/monitorhosts/linuxhosts/linuxserver.cfg

```
[root@devopsmyway objects]# cp /etc/nagios/objects/localhost.cfg /etc/nagios/objects/monitorhosts/linuxhosts/linuxserver.cfg
[root@devopsmyway objects]#
```

\$ nano /etc/nagios/objects/monitorhosts/windowshosts/windowsserver.cfg

```
define host {

    use                windows-server        ; Inherit default values from a template
    host_name          winserver             ; The name we're giving to this host
    alias              My Windows Server     ; A longer name associated with the host
    address             172.31.28.185        ; IP address of the host
}
```

```
define service {

    use                generic-service
    host_name          winserver
    service_description W3SVC
    check_command       check_nt!SERVICESTATE!-d SHOWALL -l W3SVC
}

# Create a service for monitoring the Explorer.exe process
# Change the host_name to match the name of the host you defined above

define service {

    use                generic-service
    host_name          winserver
    service_description Explorer
    check_command       check_nt!PROCSTATE!-d SHOWALL -l Explorer.exe
}
```

\$ nano /etc/nagios/objects/monitorhosts/linuxhosts/linuxserver.cfg

```
define host {

    use                linux-server          ; Name of host template to use
                                           ; This host definition will inherit all variables that are defined
                                           ; in (or inherited by) the linux-server host template definition.

    host_name          linuxserver
    alias              linuxserver
    address             172.31.25.189
}
```

```
define service {
    use                local-service        ; Name of service template to use
    host_name          linuxserver
    service_description Total Processes
    check_command       check_local_procs!250!400!RSZDT
}
```

# Define a service to check the load on the local machine.

```
define service {
    use                local-service        ; Name of service template to use
    host_name          linuxserver
    service_description Current Load
    check_command       check_local_load!5.0,4.0,3.0!10.0,6.0,4.0
}
```

# Define an optional hostgroup for Linux machines

```
define hostgroup {
    hostgroup_name      linux-servers1      ; The name of the hostgroup
    alias               Linux Servers       ; Long name of the group
    members             linuxserver        ; Comma separated list of hosts that belong to this group
}
```

\$ nano /etc/nagios/nagios.cfg

cfg\_dir=/etc/nagios/objects/monitorhosts

# directive as shown below:

```
#cfg_dir=/etc/nagios/servers
#cfg_dir=/etc/nagios/printers
#cfg_dir=/etc/nagios/switches
#cfg_dir=/etc/nagios/routers

cfg_dir=/etc/nagios/objects/monitorhosts
```

Check the Nagios Configuration

```
$ /usr/sbin/nagios -v /etc/nagios/nagios.cfg
```

```
[root@devopsmyway ec2-user]# /usr/sbin/nagios -v /etc/nagios/nagios.cfg
```

```
Running pre-flight check on configuration data...

Checking objects...
    Checked 23 services.
    Checked 3 hosts.
    Checked 3 host groups.
    Checked 0 service groups.
    Checked 1 contacts.
    Checked 1 contact groups.
    Checked 24 commands.
    Checked 5 time periods.
    Checked 0 host escalations.
    Checked 0 service escalations.
Checking for circular paths...
    Checked 3 hosts
    Checked 0 service dependencies
    Checked 0 host dependencies
    Checked 5 timeperiods
Checking global event handlers...
Checking obsessive compulsive processor commands...
Checking misc settings...

Total Warnings: 0
Total Errors: 0
```

Restart Nagios Service

```
$ service nagios restart
```

```
[root@devopsmyway ec2-user]# service nagios restart
Redirecting to /bin/systemctl restart nagios.service
[root@devopsmyway ec2-user]#
```

Configuration in Linux host

Login to Linux Server and Install nrpe plugin.

```
$ sudo yum install nrpe -y
```

```
[root@linuxserver ec2-user]# sudo yum install nrpe -y
```

Open nrpe config file

```
$ nano /etc/nagios/nrpe.cfg
```

```
[root@linuxserver ec2-user]# nano /etc/nagios/nrpe.cfg
```

Put the IP address of Nagios Server in allowed\_hosts in nrpe.cfg.

```
allowed_hosts=127.0.0.1,172.31.22.60
```

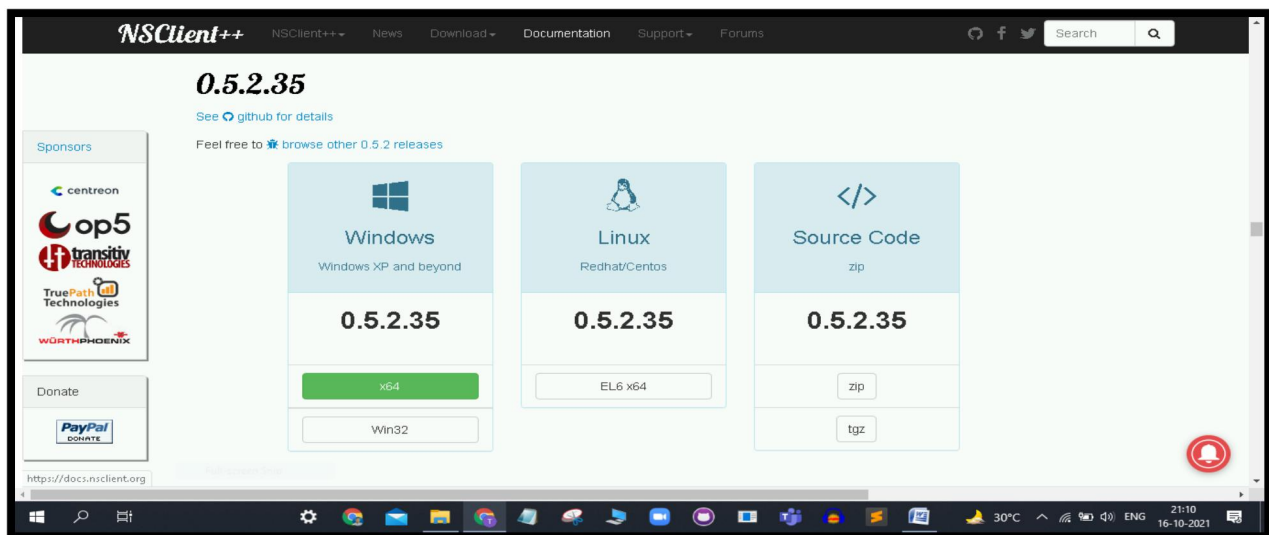
Restart nrpe service

```
[root@devopsmyway ec2-user]# service nrpe restart
Redirecting to /bin/systemctl restart nrpe.service
[root@devopsmyway ec2-user]#
```

Configuration in Windows host

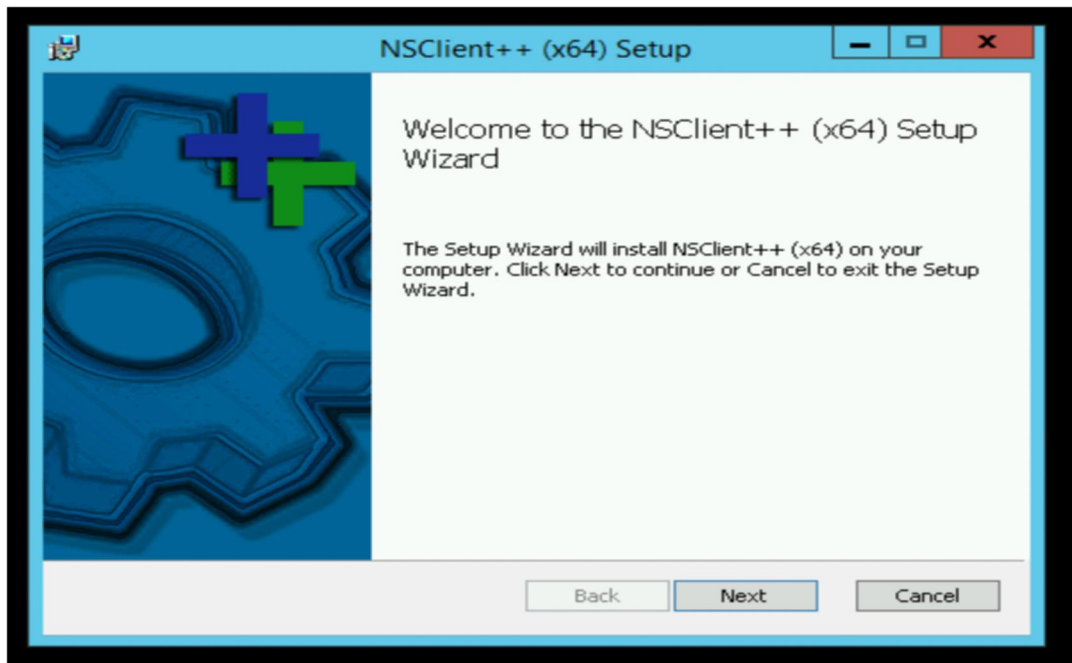
Log in to your Windows Server and download nsclient++ and install it. You can use the following link to download the nsclient++ for windows.

<http://nsclient.org/download/>

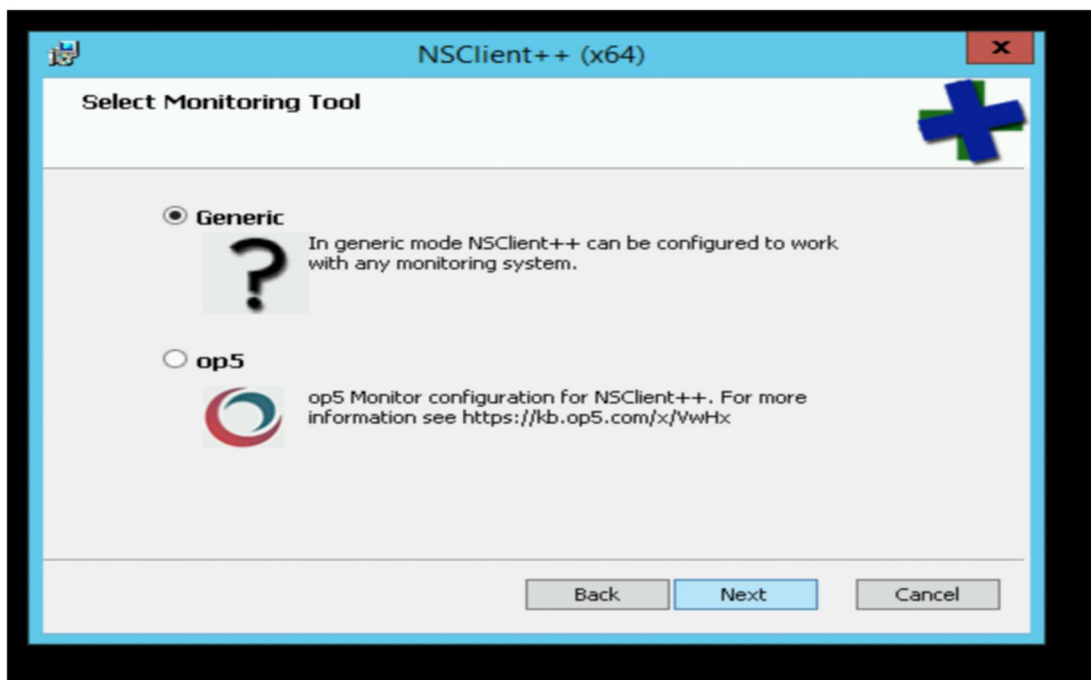




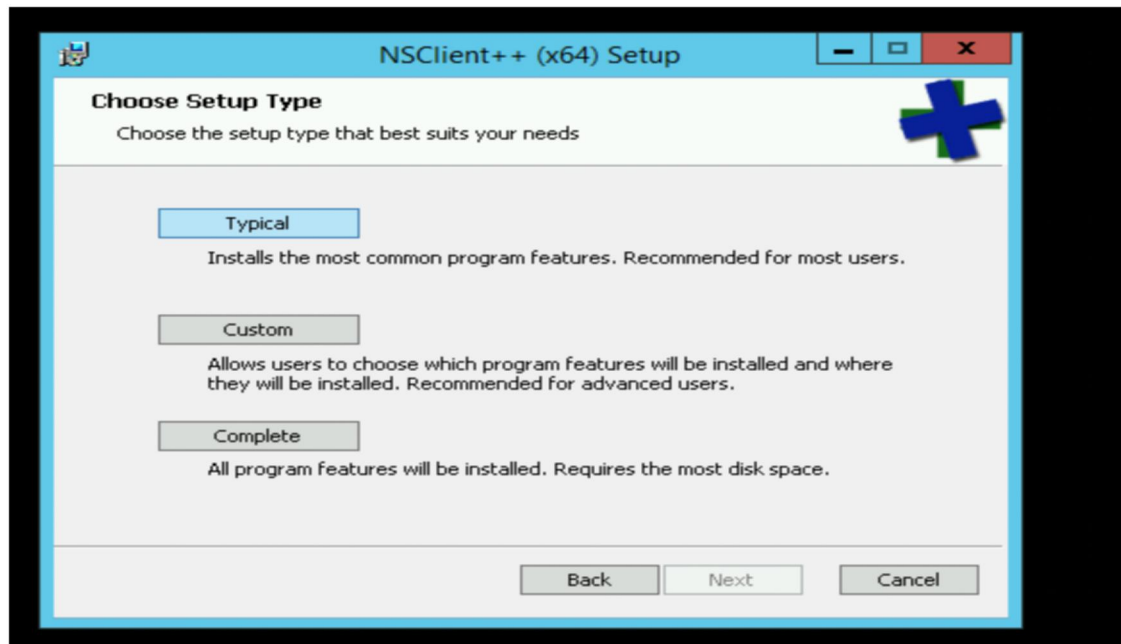
Install Nsclient++ in your Windows Server.



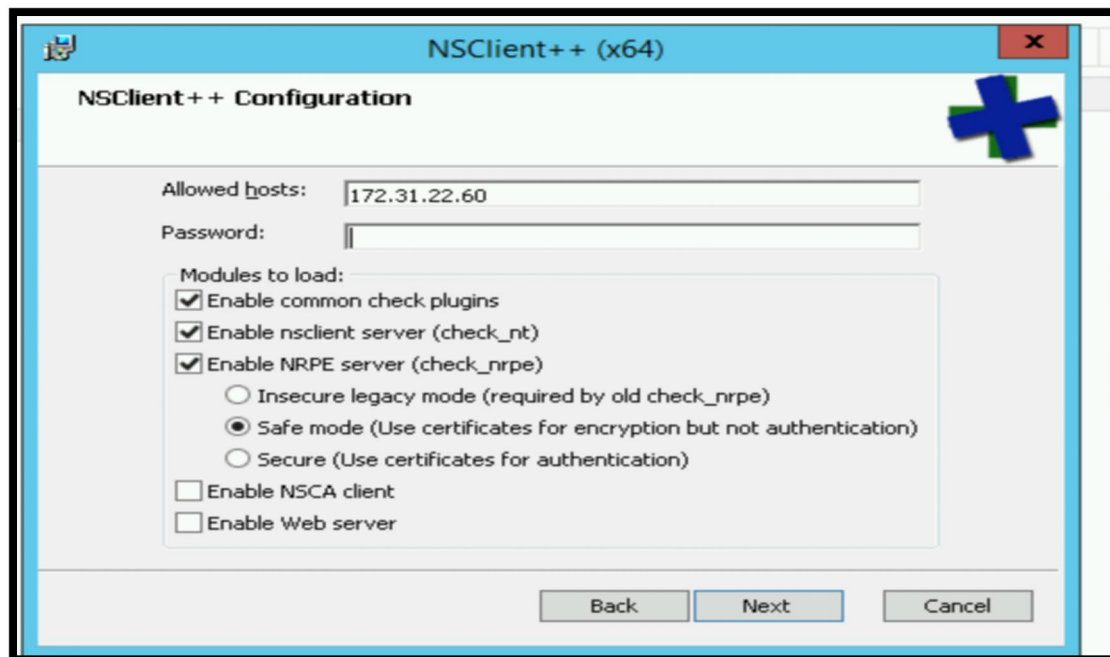
Select Generic



Select Typical

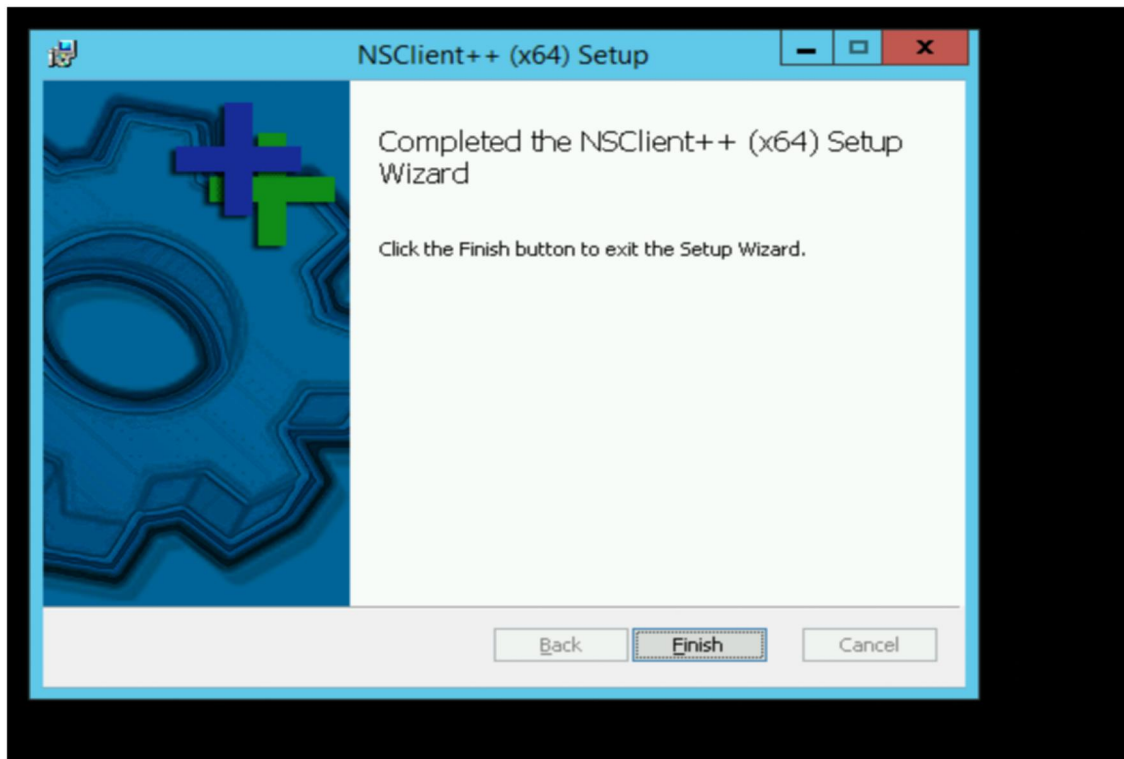


Enter Nagios Server IP Address in Allowed Hosts and tick mark the modules as mentioned in the below screenshot.





Click on Finish



### **nsclient.ini settings**

Now open the following file as run as administrator in your Windows Server

C:\Program Files\NSClient++\nsclient.ini

CheckExternalScripts = enabled

CheckHelpers = enabled

CheckEventLog = enabled

CheckNSCP = enabled

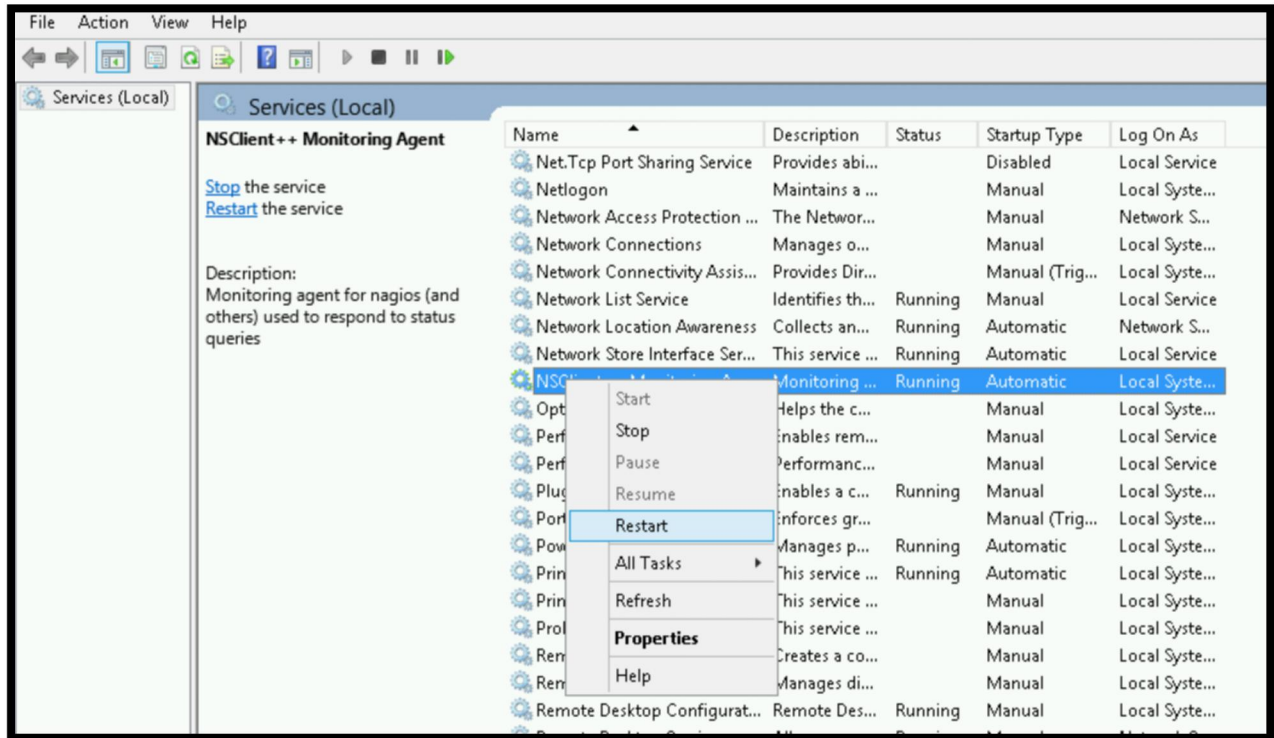
CheckDisk = enabled

CheckSystem = enabled

NSClientServer = enabled

NRPEServer = enabled

After changes restart the nsclient++ service in services.



We are now all done in our Windows Server.

## AWS Security Group Configuration for Windows and Linux Server

Open Security Group for Windows Server and allow port 5666 and 12489 and ICMP for Nagios Server IP.

Edit inbound rules

Type	Protocol	Port Range	Source	Description	
Custom ICMP	IPv6 ICMP	All	Custom 0.0.0.0/0	e.g. SSH for Admin Desktop	✕
Custom ICMP	IPv6 ICMP	All	Custom ::/0	e.g. SSH for Admin Desktop	✕
Custom TCP F	TCP	12489	Custom 172.31.22.60/32	NSclient	✕
Custom TCP F	TCP	5666	Custom 172.31.22.60/32	nrpe	✕
RDP	TCP	3389	Custom 0.0.0.0/0	e.g. SSH for Admin Desktop	✕
All ICMP - IPv4	ICMP	0 - 65535	Custom 0.0.0.0/0	e.g. SSH for Admin Desktop	✕
All ICMP - IPv4	ICMP	0 - 65535	Custom ::/0	e.g. SSH for Admin Desktop	✕

Add Rule

NOTE: Any edits made on existing rules will result in the edited rule being deleted and a new rule created with the new details. This will cause traffic that depends on that rule to be dropped for a very brief period of time until the new rule can be created.

Cancel Save

Open Security Group for Linux Server and allow port 5666 and ICMP port for Nagios Server IP.

Edit inbound rules

Type	Protocol	Port Range	Source	Description	
HTTP	TCP	80	Custom 0.0.0.0/0	e.g. SSH for Admin Desktop	✕
HTTP	TCP	80	Custom ::/0	e.g. SSH for Admin Desktop	✕
Custom ICMP	Echo Reply	N/A	Custom 0.0.0.0/0	e.g. SSH for Admin Desktop	✕
Custom ICMP	Echo Reply	N/A	Custom ::/0	e.g. SSH for Admin Desktop	✕
SSH	TCP	22	Custom 0.0.0.0/0	e.g. SSH for Admin Desktop	✕
Custom TCP F	TCP	5666	Custom 172.31.22.60/32	NRPE	✕
HTTPS	TCP	443	Custom 0.0.0.0/0	e.g. SSH for Admin Desktop	✕
HTTPS	TCP	443	Custom ::/0	e.g. SSH for Admin Desktop	✕

Add Rule

Note: If your servers are not in the AWS environment, you can allow these ports in the local firewall of both the servers.

## Monitor Windows and Linux Host

Now your both Linux and Windows Servers are ready to Monitor. You can monitor your servers using the following URL.

<http://NagiosServerPublicIP/nagios>

Default Username: nagiosadmin

Default Password : nagiosadmin

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View Notifications For All Hosts  
View Host Status Detail For All Hosts

**Service Status Details For All Hosts**

Limit Results: 100

Host	Service	Status	Last Check	Duration	Attempt	Status Information
linuxserver	Current Load	OK	01-05-2020 10:56:56	1d 21h 33m 9s	1/4	OK - load average: 0.00, 0.00, 0.00
	Current Users	OK	01-05-2020 10:57:47	1d 21h 32m 18s	1/4	USERS OK - 5 users currently logged in
	HTTP	OK	01-05-2020 10:58:38	0d 5h 57m 7s	1/4	HTTP OK: HTTP/1.1 200 OK - 328 bytes in 0.000 second response time
	PING	OK	01-05-2020 10:59:33	0d 5h 56m 16s	1/4	PING OK - Packet loss = 0%, RTA = 0.04 ms
	Root Partition	OK	01-05-2020 11:00:20	1d 21h 29m 45s	1/4	DISK OK - free space: / 6602 MB (80.71% inode=99%):
	SSH	OK	01-05-2020 11:00:03	0d 5h 55m 54s	1/4	SSH OK - OpenSSH_7.4 (protocol 2.0)
	Swap Usage	CRITICAL	01-05-2020 10:58:34	1d 21h 30m 50s	4/4	SWAP CRITICAL - 0% free (0 MB out of 0 MB) - Swap is either disabled, not present, or of zero size.
localhost	Total Processes	OK	01-05-2020 11:00:11	1d 21h 31m 25s	1/4	PROCS OK: 92 processes with STATE = RSZDT
	Current Load	OK	01-05-2020 10:57:13	1d 22h 9m 9s	1/4	OK - load average: 0.00, 0.00, 0.00
	Current Users	OK	01-05-2020 10:58:04	1d 22h 8m 31s	1/4	USERS OK - 5 users currently logged in
	HTTP	OK	01-05-2020 10:59:46	1d 22h 7m 54s	1/4	HTTP OK: HTTP/1.1 200 OK - 328 bytes in 0.000 second response time
	PING	OK	01-05-2020 10:59:46	1d 22h 7m 16s	1/4	PING OK - Packet loss = 0%, RTA = 0.05 ms
	Root Partition	OK	01-05-2020 11:00:37	1d 22h 6m 39s	1/4	DISK OK - free space: / 6602 MB (80.71% inode=99%):
	SSH	OK	01-05-2020 10:59:17	1d 22h 6m 1s	1/4	SSH OK - OpenSSH_7.4 (protocol 2.0)
winserver	Swap Usage	CRITICAL	01-05-2020 10:57:15	1d 22h 2m 24s	4/4	SWAP CRITICAL - 0% free (0 MB out of 0 MB) - Swap is either disabled, not present, or of zero size.
	Total Processes	OK	01-05-2020 10:56:24	1d 22h 4m 46s	1/4	PROCS OK: 86 processes with STATE = RSZDT
	C:\ Drive Space	OK	01-05-2020 10:55:23	0d 5h 55m 33s	1/3	c: - total: 49.66 Gb - used: 21.39 Gb (43%) - free 28.27 Gb (57%)
	CPU Load	OK	01-05-2020 10:55:44	0d 5h 55m 14s	1/3	CPU Load 0% (5 min average)
	Explorer	CRITICAL	01-05-2020 10:56:01	1d 16h 31m 24s	3/3	Explorer.exe: not running
	Memory Usage	OK	01-05-2020 10:56:10	0d 5h 54m 35s	1/3	Memory usage: total: 9215.69 MB - used: 976.55 MB (11%) - free: 8239.14 MB (89%)
	NSClient++ Version	OK	01-05-2020 10:56:20	0d 5h 54m 25s	1/3	NSClient++ 0.5.2.35 2018-01-28
winserver	Uptime	OK	01-05-2020 10:51:45	0d 5h 59m 0s	1/3	System Uptime - 0 day(s) 6 hour(s) 6 minute(s)
	W3SVC	UNKNOWN	01-05-2020 10:52:36	0d 5h 58m 9s	3/3	Failed to open service W3SVC: 424: The specified service does not exist as an installed service.

Results 1 - 23 of 23 Matching Services

## Conclusion:

Hence, We successfully performed Port, Service monitoring, Windows/Linux server monitoring using Nagios.