# Step 1 — Creating a User for Kafka

• su useradd kafka -m

su passwd kafka

Your kafka user is now ready. Log into this account using su:

su -l kafka

Now that we've created the Kafka-specific user, we can move on to downloading and extracting the Kafka binaries.

# **Step 2 — Downloading and Extracting the Kafka Binaries**

- /HOME/KAFKA
- mkdir ~/Downloads

Install curl using apt-get so that you'll be able to download remote files:

sudo apt-get update && sudo apt-get upgrade

Once curl is installed, use it to download the Kafka binaries:

• wget "https://www.apache.org/dist/kafka/2.1.1/kafka\_2.12-2.4.0.tgz"

Create a directory called kafka and change to this directory. This will be the base directory of the Kafka installation:

• Cd kafka 2.12-2.4.0

Extract the archive you downloaded using the tar command:

tar -xvzf ~/Downloads/ kafka\_2.12-2.4.0.tgz

Step 3 — Configuring the Kafka Server

Kafka's default behavior will not allow us to delete a *topic*, the category, group, or feed name to which messages can be published. To modify this, let's edit the configuration file.

Kafka's configuration options are specified in server properties. Open this file with nano or your favorite editor:

nano ~/ kafka\_2.12-2.4.0/config/server.properties

Let's add a setting that will allow us to delete Kafka topics. Add the following to the bottom of the file:

~/kafka/config/server.properties

delete.topic.enable = true

Save the file, and exit nano. Now that we've configured Kafka, we can move on to creating systemd unit files for running and enabling it on startup.

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# Step 4 — Creating Systemd Unit Files and Starting the Kafka Server

In this section, we will create systemd unit files for the Kafka service. This will help us perform common service actions such as starting, stopping, and restarting Kafka in a manner consistent with other Linux services.

ZooKeeper is a service that Kafka uses to manage its cluster state and configurations. It is commonly used in many distributed systems as an integral component. If you would like to know more about it, visit the official ZooKeeper docs.

Create the unit file for zookeeper:

• sudo nano /etc/systemd/system/zookeeper.service

## Enter the following unit definition into the file:

/etc/systemd/system/zookeeper.service

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[Unit]
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Requires=network.target remote-fs.target
After=network.target remote-fs.target

[Service]

Type=simple

User=kafka

ExecStart=/home/kafka/ kafka\_2.12-2.4.0/bin/zookeeper-server-start.sh /home/kafka/ kafka\_2.12-2.4.0/config/zookeeper.properties
ExecStop=/home/kafka/ kafka\_2.12-2.4.0/bin/zookeeper-server-stop.sh
Restart=on-abnormal

[Install]

WantedBy=multi-user.target

The [Unit] section specifies that ZooKeeper requires networking and the filesystem to be ready before it can start.

The [Service] section specifies that systemd should use the zookeeper-server-start.sh and zookeeper-server-stop.sh shell files for starting and stopping the service. It also specifies that ZooKeeper should be restarted automatically if it exits abnormally.

Next, create the systemd service file for kafka:

• sudo nano /etc/systemd/system/kafka.service

### Enter the following unit definition into the file:

/etc/systemd/system/kafka.service

[Unit]

Requires=zookeeper.service

After=zookeeper.service

[Service]

Type=simple

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User=kafka
```

ExecStart=/bin/sh -c '/home/kafka/ kafka\_2.12-2.4.0/bin/kafkaserver-start.sh /home/kafka/ kafka\_2.122.4.0/config/server.properties > /home/kafka/ kafka\_2.122.4.0/kafka.log 2>&1'
ExecStop=/home/kafka/ kafka\_2.12-2.4.0/bin/kafka-server-stop.sh
Restart=on-abnormal

#### [Install]

WantedBy=multi-user.target

The [Unit] section specifies that this unit file depends on zookeeper.service. This will ensure that zookeeper gets started automatically when the kafka service starts.

The [Service] section specifies that systemd should use the kafka-server-start.sh and kafka-server-stop.sh shell files for starting and stopping the service. It also specifies that Kafka should be restarted automatically if it exits abnormally.

Now that the units have been defined, start Kafka with the following command:

• sudo systemctl start kafka

To ensure that the server has started successfully, check the journal logs for the kafka unit:

• sudo journalctl -u kafka

You should see output similar to the following:

Output

Mar 23 13:31:48 kafka systemd[1]: Started kafka.service.

You now have a Kafka server listening on port 9092.

While we have started the kafka service, if we were to reboot our server, it would not be started automatically. To enable kafka on server boot, run:

• sudo systemctl enable kafka

Now that we've started and enabled the services, let's check the installation.

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bin/zookeeper-server-start.sh config/zookeeper.properties se lanza en un segundo terminal ---→ los dos quedarán bloquedos

bin/kafka-server-start.sh config/server.properties

# **Step 5** — **Testing the Installation**

Let's publish and consume a "Hello World" message to make sure the Kafka server is behaving correctly. Publishing messages in Kafka requires:

- A *producer*, which enables the publication of records and data to topics.
- A *consumer*, which reads messages and data from topics.

## First, create a topic named TutorialTopic by typing:

```
/home/kafka/kafka_2.12-2.4.0/bin/kafka-topics.sh --create --
zookeeper localhost:2181 --replication-factor 1 --partitions 1 --
topic TutorialTopic
```

You can create a producer from the command line using the kafka-console-producer.sh script. It expects the Kafka server's hostname, port, and a topic name as arguments.

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Publish the string "Hello, World" to the TutorialTopic topic by typing:

echo "Hello, World" | /home/kafka/ kafka_2.12-2.4.0/bin/kafka-
console-producer.sh --broker-list localhost:9092 --topic
TutorialTopic > /dev/null
```

Next, you can create a Kafka consumer using the kafka-console-consumer.sh script. It expects the ZooKeeper server's hostname and port, along with a topic name as arguments.

The following command consumes messages from TutorialTopic. Note the use of the --from-beginning flag, which allows the consumption of messages that were published before the consumer was started:

```
/home/kafka/ kafka_2.12-2.4.0/bin/kafka-console-consumer.sh -- bootstrap-server localhost:9092 --topic TutorialTopic --from-beginning
```

If there are no configuration issues, you should see Hello, World in your terminal:

```
Output
Hello, World
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