

# Monitor Tesseract

You can use Tesseract with [InfluxDB](#) or [Prometheus](#) time-series databases to record API usage metrics. You can visualize the recorded data using an existing dashboard tool such as [Grafana](#).

In addition, you can search, analyze, and monitor Tesseract [logs](#) using [Splunk](#) or [Elastic Stack \(ELK\)](#). You can set up Splunk such that the logs for multiple Tesseract nodes in a network are accessible from a single centralized Splunk instance.

## Record API metrics

Tesseract can record the following usage metrics for each endpoint of its API:

- Average response time
- Maximum response time
- Minimum response time
- Request count
- Requests per second

You can store these metrics in an InfluxDB or Prometheus time-series database for further analysis.

- Use [InfluxDB](#)
- when you prefer for metrics to be "pushed" from Tesseract to the database. For example, Tesseract starts a service which periodically writes the latest metrics to the database by calling the database's API.
- Use [Prometheus](#)
- when you prefer for metrics to be "pulled" from Tesseract by the database. For example, Tesseract exposes a/metrics
- API endpoint which the database periodically calls to fetch the latest metrics.

Both databases integrate well with the open source dashboard editor [Grafana](#) to allow for easy creation of dashboards to visualize the data being captured from Tesseract.

## InfluxDB

The [InfluxDB documentation](#) provides details on how to set up an InfluxDB database ready for use with Tesseract. A summary of the steps is as follows:

1. [Install InfluxDB](#)
2. .
3. Start the InfluxDB server:
4. `influxd -config /path/to/influx.conf`
5. For local development and testing, the default configuration file (Linux:/etc/influxdb/influxdb.conf
6. , macOS:/usr/local/etc/influxdb.conf
7. ) is sufficient. For further configuration options see [Configuring InfluxDB](#)
8. .
9. Connect to the InfluxDB server using the [influx CLI](#)
10. and create a new database. If using the default configuration, this is as follows:
11. `influx`
12. `CREATE DATABASE myDb`
13. To view data stored in the database, use the [influx Query Language](#)
14. .
15. `influx`
16. `USE myDb`
17. `SHOW MEASUREMENTS`
18. `SELECT * FROM`

info You can call the InfluxDB HTTP API directly as an alternative to using the influx CLI. You can optionally configure each Tesseract server type (for example, P2P , Q2T , ADMIN , THIRDPARTY , ENCLAVE ) to store API metrics in an InfluxDB. You can configure these servers to store metrics to the same database or separate ones.

To configure a server to use an InfluxDB, add `influxConfig` to the server configuration. For example:

```
"serverConfigs": [ { "app": "Q2T", "serverAddress": "unix:/path/to/tm.ipc", "influxConfig": { "serverAddress":  
"https://localhost:8086", // InfluxDB server address "dbName": "myDb", // InfluxDB DB name (DB must already exist)  
"pushIntervalInSecs": 15, // How frequently Tesseract will push new metrics to the DB "sslConfig": { // Config required if  
InfluxDB server is using TLS "tls": "STRICT", "sslConfigType": "CLIENT_ONLY", "clientTrustMode": "CA", "clientTrustStore":
```

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"/path/to/truststore.jks", "clientTrustStorePassword": "password", "clientKeyStore": "path/to/truststore.jks",  
"clientKeyStorePassword": "password" } } }, { "app": "P2P", "serverAddress": "http://localhost:9001", "influxConfig": {  
"serverAddress": "http://localhost:8087", "dbName": "anotherDb", "pushIntervalInSecs": 15 } } ]
```

## InfluxDB TLS Configuration

InfluxDB supports one-way TLS. This allows clients to validate the identity of the InfluxDB server and provides data encryption.

See [Enabling HTTPS with InfluxDB](#) for details on how to secure an InfluxDB server with TLS. A summary of the steps is as follows:

1. Obtain a CA/self-signed certificate and key (either as separate.crt  
2. and.key  
3. files or as a combined.pem  
4. file).
5. Enable HTTPS in influx.conf
6. :
7. **Determines whether HTTPS is enabled.**
8. https-enabled = true
9. **The SSL certificate to use when HTTPS is enabled.**
10. https-certificate = "/path/to/certAndKey.pem"
11. **Use a separate private key location.**
12. https-private-key = "/path/to/certAndKey.pem"
13. Restart the InfluxDB server to apply the configuration changes.
14. To allow Tesseract to communicate with a TLS-secured InfluxDB, you must provide sslConfig  
15. in the configuration file. Configure Tesseract as the client in one-way TLS:
16. "sslConfig": {  
17. "tls": "STRICT",  
18. "sslConfigType": "CLIENT\_ONLY",  
19. "clientTrustMode": "CA",  
20. "clientTrustStore": "/path/to/truststore.jks",  
21. "clientTrustStorePassword": "password",  
22. "clientKeyStore": "path/to/truststore.jks",  
23. "clientKeyStorePassword": "password",  
24. "environmentVariablePrefix": "INFLUX"  
25. }
26. where truststore.jks  
27. is a Java keystore format file containing the trusted certificates for the Tesseract client (for example, the certificate of the  
CA used to create the InfluxDB certificate).
28. If securing the key store with a password, you must provide this password. Passwords can be provided either in the  
configuration (for example clientTrustStorePassword  
29. ) or as environment variables (using environmentVariablePrefix  
30. and setting\_TESSERA\_CLIENT\_TRUSTSTORE\_PWD  
31. ). The [TLS configuration](#)  
32. documentation explains this in more detail.
33. As Tesseract expects two-way TLS, a.jks  
34. file for the clientKeyStore  
35. must also be provided. This isn't used so can simply be set as the trust store.

## Prometheus

The [Prometheus documentation](#) provides information to set up Prometheus to integrate with Tesseract. The [Prometheus first steps](#) is a good starting point. A summary of the steps to store Tesseract metrics in a Prometheus database is as follows:

1. Install Prometheus.
2. Create a prometheus.yml  
3. configuration file to provide Prometheus with the necessary information to pull metrics from Tesseract. You can use [an example Prometheus configuration](#)

4. with the [Quorum Developer Quickstart](#)
5. .
6. Start Tessera. Tessera always exposes the metrics
7. endpoint, so no additional configuration of Tessera is required.
8. Start Prometheus:
9. `prometheus --config.file=prometheus.yml`
10. To view data stored in the database, access the Prometheus UI (by default `localhost:9090`)
11. , this address can be changed in `prometheus.yml`
12. ) and use the [Prometheus Query Language](#)
13. .

## Grafana

You can import a pre-built [GoQuorum Grafana dashboard](#) to visualize your recorded GoQuorum network data.

## Monitor logs

You can search, analyze, and monitor the [logs](#) of Tessera nodes using [Splunk](#) or [Elastic Stack \(ELK\)](#) .

## Splunk

Set up Splunk and Splunk Universal Forwarders to consolidate the logs from multiple Tessera nodes. The following pages from the Splunk documentation are a good starting point for understanding how to achieve this:

- [Consolidate data from multiple hosts](#)
- [Set up the Universal Forwarder](#)
- [Configure the Universal Forwarder](#)
- [Enable a receiver](#)

The general steps to consolidate the logs for a Tessera network in Splunk are:

1. Set up a central Splunk instance if one does not already exist. Typically this is on a host separate to the hosts running the Tessera nodes. This is known as the Receiver.
2. Configure the Tessera hosts to forward their nodes' logs to the Receiver by:
3.
  1. Configuring the format and output location of the node's logs. This is achieved by configuring Logback (the logging framework used by Tessera) at node start-up.
4.
  1. The following example XML configures Logback to save Tessera's logs to a file. See the [Logback documentation](#)
5.
  1. for more information on configuring Logback:
6.
  1. `<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>`
7.
  1. `<`
8.
  1. `configuration`
9.
  1. `<`
10.
  1. `<`
11.
  1. `appender`
12.
  1. `name`
13.
  1. `=`
14.
  1. `"`
15.
  1. `FILE`
16.
  1. `"`
17.
  1. `class`
18.
  1. `=`

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19.
20. 1. "
21. 1. ch.qos.logback.core.FileAppender
22. 1. "
23. 1.
24. 1. <
25. 1. file
26. 1.
27. 1. /path/to/file.log
28. 1. <!--
29. 1. file
30. 1. -->
31. 1. <
32. 1. encoder
33. 1.
34. 1. <
35. 1. pattern
36. 1.
37. 1. %d{HH:mm:ss.SSS} [%thread] %-5level %logger{36} - %msg%n
38. 1. <!--
39. 1. pattern
40. 1. -->
41. 1. <!--
42. 1. encoder
43. 1. -->
44. 1. <!--
45. 1. appender
46. 1. -->
47. 1. <
48. 1. logger
49. 1. name
50. 1. =
51. 1. "
```

```
1. org.glassfish.jersey.internal.inject.Providers
52.
1. "
53.
1. level
54.
1. =
55.
1. "
56.
1. ERROR
57.
1. "
58.
1. />
59.
1. <
60.
1. logger
61.
1. name
62.
1. =
63.
1. "
64.
1. org.hibernate.validator.internal.util.Version
65.
1. "
66.
1. level
67.
1. =
68.
1. "
69.
1. ERROR
70.
1. "
71.
1. />
72.
1. <
73.
1. logger
74.
1. name
75.
1. =
76.
1. "
77.
1. org.hibernate.validator.internal.engine.ConfigurationImpl
78.
1. "
79.
1. level
80.
1. =
81.
1. "
82.
1. ERROR
83.
1. "
84.
1. />
85.
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86. 1. <
87. 1. root
88. 1. level
89. 1. =
90. 1. "
91. 1. INFO
92. 1. "
93. 1.
94. 1. <
95. 1. appender-ref
96. 1. ref
97. 1. =
98. 1. "
99. 1. FILE
100. 1. "
101. 1. />
102. 1. <!--
103. 1. root
104. 1. -->
105. 1. <!--
106. 1. configuration
107. 1. -->
108. 1. To start Tessera with an XML configuration file:
109. 1. tessera -Dlogback.configurationFile=/path/to/logback-config.xml -configfile /path/to/config.json
110. 1. Set up Splunk Universal Forwarders (lightweight Splunk clients) on each Tessera host to forward log data for its
    1. node to the Receiver.
110. 1. Set up the Splunk Receiver to listen and receive logging data from the Universal Forwarders.

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## Elastic Stack

Follow the [Quorum Developer Quickstart](#) to use Elastic Stack (ELK) to manage Tessera logs. [Edit this page](#) Last updated on Oct 9, 2023 by [dependabot\[bot\]](#) [Previous](#) [Use Next](#) [Logging](#)