



# NAGIOS INSTALLATION

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## NAGIOS INSTALLATION ON UBUNTU

Nagios installation has been divided into three parts.

1. Installing Nagios on Master
2. Installing NRPE on slave
3. Installing Check\_NRPE Plugin on Master

Commands with green font represents master, white font terminal represents slave.

## Installing Nagios on Master

**Step 1:** Update package index.

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221: ~  
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~$ sudo apt-get update  
Hit:1 http://us-east-2.ec2.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu bionic InRelease  
Get:2 http://us-east-2.ec2.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu bionic-updates InRelease [8  
8.7 kB]  
Get:3 http://us-east-2.ec2.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu bionic-backports InRelease  
[74.6 kB]  
Get:4 http://us-east-2.ec2.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu bionic/restricted Sources [5  
324 B]  
Get:5 http://us-east-2.ec2.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu bionic/universe Sources [90  
51 kB]  
Get:6 http://security.ubuntu.com/ubuntu bionic-security InRelease [83.2 kB]  
Get:7 http://us-east-2.ec2.archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu bionic/multiverse Sources [1  
81 kB]
```

**Step 2:** Run the following two commands after that.

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221: ~  
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~$ sudo apt-get install wget build-essential unzip openssl libssl-dev  
Reading package lists... Done  
Building dependency tree  
Reading state information... Done  
wget is already the newest version (1.19.4-1ubuntu2.1).  
The following additional packages will be installed:  
  binutils binutils-common binutils-x86-64-linux-gnu cpp cpp-7 dpkg-dev fakeroot g++ g++-7 gcc  
  gcc-8-base libalgorithm-diff-perl libalgorithm-diff-xs-perl libalgorithm-merge-perl libasan4  
  libc-dev-bin libc6-dev libcc1-0 libcilkrts5 libdpkg-perl libfakeroot libfile-fcntllock-perl  
  libgomp1 libisl19 libitm1 liblsan0 libmpe3 libmpx2 libquadmath0 libssl-doc libssl1.1 libstdc  
  libtsan0 libubsan0 linux-libc-dev make manpages-dev
```

ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221: ~

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~$ sudo apt-get install apache2 php libapache2-mod-php php-gd libgd-dev
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree
Reading state information... Done
The following additional packages will be installed:
  apache2-bin apache2-data apache2-utils fontconfig-config fonts-dejavu-core libapache2-mod-php7
  libaprutil1-dbd-sqlite3 libaprutil1-ldap libexpat1-dev libfontconfig1 libfontconfig1-dev libfr
  libice-dev libice6 libjpeg-dev libjpeg-turbo8 libjpeg-turbo8-dev libjpeg8
  liblua5.2-0 liblzma-dev libpng-dev libpng-tools libpthread-stubs0-dev libsm-dev libsm6 libsodi
  libtiff5 libtiff5-dev libtiffxx5 libvpx-dev libvpx5 libwebp6 libx11-dev libx11-doc libxau-dev
  libxpm-dev libxpm4 libxt-dev libxt6 php-common php7.2 php7.2-cli php7.2-common php7.2-gd php7.
```

**Step 3:** Now, add user with the commands given below.

ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221: ~

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~$ sudo adduser nagios
Adding user `nagios' ...
Adding new group `nagios' (1001) ...
Adding new user `nagios' (1001) with group `nagios' ...
Creating home directory `/home/nagios' ...
Copying files from `/etc/skel' ...
```

You can add passwords and Enter the user information as shown below.

```
Enter new UNIX password:
Retype new UNIX password:
passwd: password updated successfully
Changing the user information for nagios
Enter the new value, or press ENTER for the default
  Full Name []: Debashis.intellipaate
  Room Number []: 01
  Work Phone []: 0001
  Home Phone []: 0002
  Other []: no
Is the information correct? [Y/n] ☐
```

**Step 4:** Run the following commands to complete the user adding process.

 ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221: ~

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~$ sudo groupadd nagcmd
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~$ sudo usermod -a -G nagcmd nagios
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~$ sudo usermod -a -G nagcmd www-data
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~$
```

**Step 5:** Now that we are set with the prerequisites, install Nagios Core as shown below.

 ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221: ~

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~$ wget https://assets.nagios.com/downloads/nagioscore/releases/nagios-4.4.2.tar.gz
--2018-12-19 10:38:29-- https://assets.nagios.com/downloads/nagioscore/releases/nagios-4.4.2.tar.gz
Resolving assets.nagios.com (assets.nagios.com)... 72.14.181.71, 2600:3c00::f03c:91ff:fedf:b821
Connecting to assets.nagios.com (assets.nagios.com)|72.14.181.71|:443... connected.
HTTP request sent, awaiting response... 200 OK
Length: 11301454 (11M) [application/x-gzip]
Saving to: 'nagios-4.4.2.tar.gz'

nagios-4.4.2.tar.gz      100%[=====>]  10.78M  11.7MB/s
2018-12-19 10:38:30 (11.7 MB/s) - 'nagios-4.4.2.tar.gz' saved [11301454/11301454]
```

**Step 6:** Untar the file with the command shown below.

 ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221: ~

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~$ tar xzf nagios-4.4.2.tar.gz
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~$
```

**Step 7:** Enter the Nagios-4.4.2 directory.

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221: ~/nagios-4.4.2
```

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~$ cd nagios-4.4.2
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~/nagios-4.4.2$
```

**Step 8:** Now with the given command make the required configurations.

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221: ~/nagios-4.4.2
```

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~/nagios-4.4.2$ sudo ./configure --with-command-group=nagcmd
checking for a BSD-compatible install... /usr/bin/install -c
checking build system type... x86_64-pc-linux-gnu
checking host system type... x86_64-pc-linux-gnu
checking for gcc... gcc
checking whether the C compiler works... yes
checking for C compiler default output file name... a.out
checking for suffix of executables...
```

If the execution ends with the below given setup then we are good to go.

```
General Options:
-----
Nagios executable: nagios
Nagios user/group: nagios,nagios
Command user/group: nagios,nagcmd
Event Broker: yes
Install ${prefix}: /usr/local/nagios
Install ${includedir}: /usr/local/nagios/include/nagios
Lock file: /run/nagios.lock
Check result directory: /usr/local/nagios/var/spool/checkresults
Init directory: /lib/systemd/system
Apache conf.d directory: /etc/apache2/sites-available
Mail program: /bin/mail
Host OS: linux-gnu
IOBroker Method: epoll

Web Interface Options:
-----
HTML URL: http://localhost/nagios/
CGI URL: http://localhost/nagios/cgi-bin/
Traceroute (used by WAP):
```

Now we will make all the configuration work.

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221: ~/nagios-4.4.2
```

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~/nagios-4.4.2$ sudo make all
```

If everything is perfect, we should see an output as shown below.

```
*** Support Notes ****
If you have questions about configuring or running Nagios,
please make sure that you:

- Look at the sample config files
- Read the documentation on the Nagios Library at:
  https://library.nagios.com

before you post a question to one of the mailing lists.
Also make sure to include pertinent information that could
help others help you. This might include:

- What version of Nagios you are using
- What version of the plugins you are using
- Relevant snippets from your config files
- Relevant error messages from the Nagios log file

For more information on obtaining support for Nagios, visit:

https://support.nagios.com

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Enjoy.
```

**Step 9:** Run the following command.

 ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221: ~/nagios-4.4.2

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~/nagios-4.4.2$ sudo make install
cd ./base && make install
make[1]: Entering directory '/home/ubuntu/nagios-4.4.2/base'
make install-basic
```

After that you will see the output as shown below:

```
*** Main program, CGIs and HTML files installed ***

You can continue with installing Nagios as follows (type 'make'
without any arguments for a list of all possible options):

    make install-init
        - This installs the init script in /lib/systemd/system

    make install-commandmode
        - This installs and configures permissions on the
          directory for holding the external command file

    make install-config
        - This installs sample config files in /usr/local/nagios/etc
```

**Step 10:** Install init and run the following command.

 ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221: ~/nagios-4.4.2

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~/nagios-4.4.2$ sudo make install-init
/usr/bin/install -c -m 755 -d -o root -g root /lib/systemd/system
/usr/bin/install -c -m 755 -o root -g root startup/default-service
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~/nagios-4.4.2$
```

**Step 11:** Install config and run the following command.

ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221: ~/nagios-4.4.2

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~/nagios-4.4.2$ sudo make install-config
/usr/bin/install -c -m 775 -o nagios -g nagios -d /usr/local/nagios/etc
/usr/bin/install -c -m 775 -o nagios -g nagios -d /usr/local/nagios/etc/c
/usr/bin/install -c -b -m 664 -o nagios -g nagios sample-config/nagios.cf
/usr/bin/install -c -b -m 664 -o nagios -g nagios sample-config/cgi.cfg
/usr/bin/install -c -b -m 660 -o nagios -g nagios sample-config/resource
/usr/bin/install -c -b -m 664 -o nagios -g nagios sample-config/template
```

**Step 12:** Install commandmode as shown below:

ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221: ~/nagios-4.4.2

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~/nagios-4.4.2$ sudo make install-commandmode
/usr/bin/install -c -m 775 -o nagios -g nagcmd -d /usr/local/nagios/var/rw
chmod g+s /usr/local/nagios/var/rw

*** External command directory configured ***

ubuntu@ip-172-31-24-67:~/nagios-4.4.2$
```

**Step 13:** Before moving ahead run the following commands to copy eventhandlers scripts under the *libexec* directory.

ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221: ~/nagios-4.4.2

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~/nagios-4.4.2$ sudo cp -R contrib/eventhandlers/ /usr/local/nagios/libexec/
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~/nagios-4.4.2$ sudo chown -R nagios:nagios /usr/local/nagios/libexec/eventhandlers
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~/nagios-4.4.2$
```

**Step 14:** Create Apache configuration



```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221: ~/nagios-4.4.2
```

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~/nagios-4.4.2$ sudo nano /etc/apache2/conf-available/nagios.conf
```

Add the below given content to the configuration file.

ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221: ~/nagios-4.4.2

```
GNU nano 2.9.3 /etc/apache2/conf-available/nagios.conf

ScriptAlias /nagios/cgi-bin "/usr/local/nagios/sbin"

<Directory "/usr/local/nagios/sbin">
    Options ExecCGI
    AllowOverride None
    Order allow,deny
    Allow from all
    AuthName "Restricted Area"
    AuthType Basic
    AuthUserFile /usr/local/nagios/etc/htpasswd.users
    Require valid-user
</Directory>

Alias /nagios "/usr/local/nagios/share"

<Directory "/usr/local/nagios/share">
    Options None
    AllowOverride None
    Order allow,deny
    Allow from all
    AuthName "Restricted Area"
    AuthType Basic
    AuthUserFile /usr/local/nagios/etc/htpasswd.users
    Require valid-user
</Directory>
```

**Step 15:** Add a password as shown below, to complete apache configuration

ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221: ~/nagios-4.4.2

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~/nagios-4.4.2$ sudo htpasswd -c /usr/local/nagios/etc/htpasswd.users nagiosadmin
New password:
Re-type new password:
Adding password for user nagiosadmin
```

**Step 16:** Enable Apache configuration

ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221: ~/nagios-4.4.2

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~/nagios-4.4.2$ sudo a2enconf nagios
Enabling conf nagios.
To activate the new configuration, you need to run:
    systemctl reload apache2
```

**Step 17:** Enable Apache configuration

 ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221: ~/nagios-4.4.2

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~/nagios-4.4.2$ sudo a2enmod cgi rewrite
Module cgi already enabled
Module rewrite already enabled
ubuntu@ip-172-31-18-63:~/nagios-4.4.2$ █
```

**Step 18:** Restart apache service.

 ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221: ~/nagios-4.4.2

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~/nagios-4.4.2$ sudo service apache2 restart
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~/nagios-4.4.2$ █
```

**Step 19:** Now go to the main directory.

 ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221: ~

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~/nagios-4.4.2$ cd
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~$ █
```

**Step 20:** To install the required Nagios plugin, download the plugins.

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221: ~  
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~$ wget http://www.nagios-plugins.org/download/nagios-plugins-2.2.1.tar.gz  
--2018-12-19 11:04:57-- http://www.nagios-plugins.org/download/nagios-plugins-2.2.1.tar.gz  
Resolving www.nagios-plugins.org (www.nagios-plugins.org)... 72.14.186.43  
Connecting to www.nagios-plugins.org (www.nagios-plugins.org)|72.14.186.43|:80... connected.  
HTTP request sent, awaiting response... 301 Moved Permanently  
Location: http://nagios-plugins.org/download/nagios-plugins-2.2.1.tar.gz [following]  
--2018-12-19 11:04:58-- http://nagios-plugins.org/download/nagios-plugins-2.2.1.tar.gz  
Resolving nagios-plugins.org (nagios-plugins.org)... 72.14.186.43  
Reusing existing connection to www.nagios-plugins.org:80.  
HTTP request sent, awaiting response... 200 OK  
Length: 2728818 (2.6M) [application/x-gzip]  
Saving to: 'nagios-plugins-2.2.1.tar.gz'  
  
nagios-plugins-2.2.1.tar.gz 100%[=====>] 2.60M
```

**Step 21:** Untar the file.

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221: ~  
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~$ tar xzf nagios-plugins-2.2.1.tar.gz  
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~$
```

**Step 22:** Go inside Nagios-2.2.1 directory.

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221: ~/nagios-plugins-2.2.1  
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~$ cd nagios-plugins-2.2.1  
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~/nagios-plugins-2.2.1$
```

**Step 23:** Compile the plugins and then complete the plugin installation process running the three commands given below:

ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221: ~/nagios-plugins-2.2.1

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~/nagios-plugins-2.2.1$ sudo ./configure --with-nagios-user=nagios --with-th-openssl
checking for a BSD-compatible install... /usr/bin/install -c
checking whether build environment is sane... yes
checking for a thread-safe mkdir -p... /bin/mkdir -p
```

ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221: ~/nagios-plugins-2.2.1

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~/nagios-plugins-2.2.1$ sudo make
make all-recursive
make[1]: Entering directory '/home/ubuntu/nagios-plugins-2.2.1'
Making all in gl
make[2]: Entering directory '/home/ubuntu/nagios-plugins-2.2.1/gl'
rm -f alloca.h-t alloca.h && \
{ echo '/* DO NOT EDIT! GENERATED AUTOMATICALLY! */'; \
  cat ./alloca.in.h; \
} > alloca.h-t && \
mv -f alloca.h-t alloca.h
rm -f c++defs.h-t c++defs.h && \
sed -n -e '/_GL_CXXDEFS/, $p' \
```

ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221: ~/nagios-plugins-2.2.1

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~/nagios-plugins-2.2.1$ sudo make install
Making install in gl
make[1]: Entering directory '/home/ubuntu/nagios-plugins-2.2.1/gl'
make install-recursive
make[2]: Entering directory '/home/ubuntu/nagios-plugins-2.2.1/gl'
make[3]: Entering directory '/home/ubuntu/nagios-plugins-2.2.1/gl'
make[4]: Entering directory '/home/ubuntu/nagios-plugins-2.2.1/gl'
if test yes = no; then \
  case 'linux-gnu' in \
    darwin[56]*) \
      need_charset_alias=true ;; \
    darwin* | cygwin* | mingw* | pw32* | cegcc*) \
      need_charset_alias=false ;; \
    *) \
      need_charset_alias=true ;; \
```

Before we can start using Nagios, we going to need to make a small change in the base configurations.

**Step 24:** Go to the main directory.

ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221: ~

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~/nagios-plugins-2.2.1$ cd
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~$
```

**Step 25:** Get inside */usr/local/nagios/etc/nagios.cfg*

ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221: ~

```
GNU nano 2.9.3 /usr/local/nagios/etc/nagios.cfg

cfg_file=/usr/local/nagios/etc/objects/timeperiods.cfg
cfg_file=/usr/local/nagios/etc/objects/templates.cfg

# Definitions for monitoring the local (Linux) host
cfg_file=/usr/local/nagios/etc/objects/localhost.cfg

# Definitions for monitoring a Windows machine
#cfg_file=/usr/local/nagios/etc/objects/windows.cfg

# Definitions for monitoring a router/switch
#cfg_file=/usr/local/nagios/etc/objects/switch.cfg

# Definitions for monitoring a network printer
#cfg_file=/usr/local/nagios/etc/objects/printer.cfg

# You can also tell Nagios to process all config files (with a .cfg
# extension) in a particular directory by using the cfg_dir
# directive as shown below:

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

Uncomment that line:

ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221: ~

```
GNU nano 2.9.3 /usr/local/nagios/etc/nagios.cfg

cfg_file=/usr/local/nagios/etc/objects/timeperiods.cfg
cfg_file=/usr/local/nagios/etc/objects/templates.cfg

# Definitions for monitoring the local (Linux) host
cfg_file=/usr/local/nagios/etc/objects/localhost.cfg

# Definitions for monitoring a Windows machine
#cfg_file=/usr/local/nagios/etc/objects/windows.cfg

# Definitions for monitoring a router/switch
#cfg_file=/usr/local/nagios/etc/objects/switch.cfg

# Definitions for monitoring a network printer
#cfg_file=/usr/local/nagios/etc/objects/printer.cfg

# You can also tell Nagios to process all config files (with a .cfg
# extension) in a particular directory by using the cfg_dir
# directive as shown below:

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

**Step 26:** Make the following directory.

ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221: ~

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~$ sudo mkdir /usr/local/nagios/etc/servers
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~$
```



**Step 27:** Verify the configuration before starting Nagios.

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221: ~  
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~$ sudo /usr/local/nagios/bin/nagios -v /usr/local/nagios/etc/nagios.cfg  
Nagios Core 4.4.2  
Copyright (c) 2009-present Nagios Core Development Team and Community Contributors  
Copyright (c) 1999-2009 Ethan Galstad  
Last Modified: 2018-08-16  
License: GPL
```

```
Checking objects...  
    Checked 8 services.  
    Checked 1 hosts.  
    Checked 1 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 1 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
```

Everything looks fine!

**Step 28:** Start Nagios.

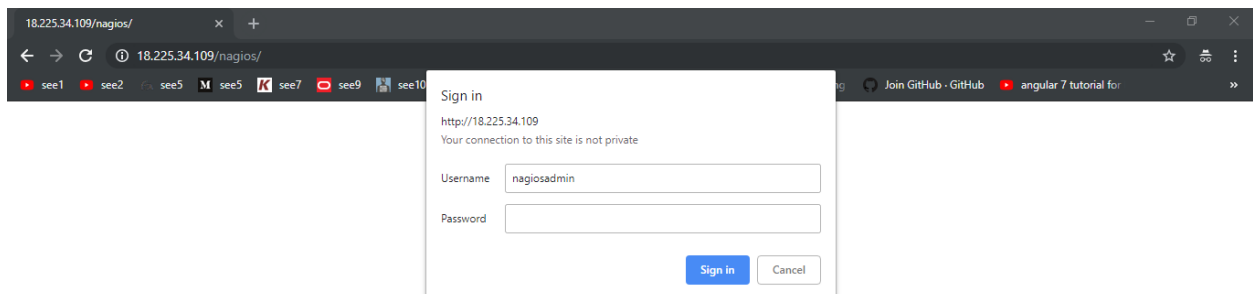
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221: ~

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~$ sudo service nagios start
```

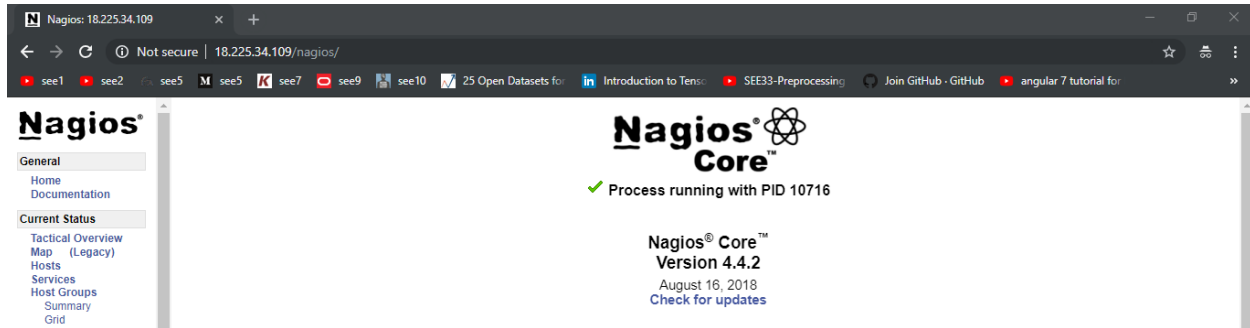
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221: ~

```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~$ sudo systemctl enable nagios
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-221:~$
```

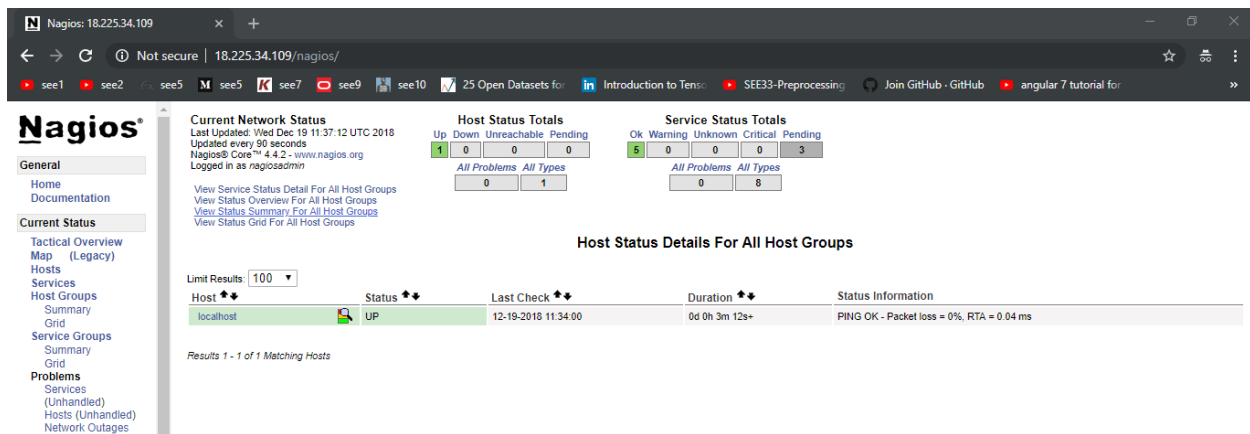
If no error occurs move to the next step on the browser



After entering the user id password, you will land on a page as shown below:



Click on host.



We are all set with the Nagios installation on Master.