

Steps to configure Kafka cluster with multi broker instances

1. Download Kafka binaries from <https://kafka.apache.org/downloads>
2. Unzip the archive to local directory. For example, the unzipped kafka directory is:
kafka_2.13-2.6.0
3. Edit the following property in zookeeper.properties file in the "kafka_2.13-2.6.0/config" directory:
dataDir=/tmp/zookeeper to dataDir=/tmp/cluster_one/zookeeper
Note: This step is optional and to separate existing files, we are configuring it to an all new directory.
4. Make copies of server.properties file in "kafka_2.13-2.6.0/config" and name as follows:
server_1.properties, server_2.properties, server_3.properties... equal to the number of brokers we want to configure. Edit/add the following properties in these files as below:

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server_1.properties
broker.id=1
port=9092
log.dirs=/tmp/cluster/kafka2-logs-1
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server_2.properties
broker.id=2
port=9093
log.dirs=/tmp/cluster/kafka2-logs-2
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server_3.properties
broker.id=3
port=9094
log.dirs=/tmp/cluster/kafka2-logs-3
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Note: The log.dirs can be configured as per your requirement. But should be different for all these.

5. Run the zookeeper with zookeeper.properties
6. Run the Kafka server in three separate terminals (in it's own terminal), each with the new server properties file. Example:
bin/kafka-server-start.sh config/server_1.properties

bin/kafka-server-start.sh config/server_2.properties

bin/kafka-server-start.sh config/server_3.properties
7. Update your bootstrap server property of the application to point to the list of servers.
Example:
kafka.bootstrap.servers=localhost:9092,localhost:9093,localhost:9094

you can see the brokers in the Kafkatool