



# Quick Start - IDS Pipeline

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## ⚡ TL;DR - Run the Pipeline NOW

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# 1. Navigate to pipeline directory
cd /home/sujay/Programming/IDS/dpdk_suricata_ml_pipeline

# 2. Start Kafka
./scripts/02_setup_kafka.sh

# 3. Wait 30 seconds for Kafka to start
sleep 30

# 4. Start ML Consumer (in a new terminal)
source ../venv/bin/activate
python src/ml_kafka_consumer.py --config config/pipeline.conf

# 5. Generate Traffic (in another terminal)
./scripts/05_replay_traffic.sh
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That's it! 🎉

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## 📊 What's Happening?

PCAP Replay → Suricata → Kafka → ML Engine → Predictions

1. **Kafka** receives network flow events
2. **ML Engine** extracts 65 CICIDS2017 features from each flow
3. **Random Forest model** classifies traffic as BENIGN or ATTACK
4. **Predictions** are published to **ml-predictions** topic

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## 🔍 Monitor the Pipeline

### Check Status

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./scripts/status_check.sh
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### Watch ML Predictions

```
kafka-console-consumer.sh \  
  --bootstrap-server localhost:9092 \  
  --topic ml-predictions \  
  --from-beginning
```

## View ML Consumer Logs

```
tail -f logs/ml/ml_consumer.log
```



## Common Issues

### Issue: Kafka won't start

```
pkill -9 -f kafka  
./scripts/02_setup_kafka.sh
```

### Issue: ML Consumer can't connect

```
# Check Kafka is running  
netstat -tuln | grep 9092  
  
# Reinstall packages  
./install_missing_packages.sh
```

### Issue: No traffic flowing

```
# Generate test traffic  
ping -c 100 8.8.8.8 &  
curl http://example.com
```

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## Stop Everything

```
./scripts/stop_all.sh
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## Full Documentation

- **RUNTIME\_GUIDE.md** - Complete step-by-step guide
  - **SETUP\_GUIDE.md** - Installation instructions
  - **README.md** - Architecture and components
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## ✓ Success Indicators

You know it's working when you see:

1. ✓ Kafka running on port 9092
  2. ✓ ML Consumer logs: "✓ Connected to Kafka"
  3. ✓ ML Consumer logs: "Processed flow from..."
  4. ✓ Predictions appearing in **ml-predictions** topic
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## 🎯 Test Commands

```
# Test 1: Check all packages installed
source ../venv/bin/activate
python -c "import kafka, sklearn, joblib, lightgbm; print('✓ All OK!)"

# Test 2: Check ML model loads
python -c "import joblib; m=joblib.load('../ML
Models/random_forest_model_2017.joblib'); print('✓ Model OK!)"

# Test 3: Check Kafka topics
kafka-topics.sh --list --bootstrap-server localhost:9092

# Test 4: Generate benign traffic
python tests/test_benign_traffic.py

# Test 5: Generate attack traffic
python tests/test_attack_generator.py
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**Need help?** Check **RUNTIME\_GUIDE.md** for detailed troubleshooting.