

Advanced DevOps Lab

Experiment 10

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Aim: To perform Port, Service monitoring, Windows/Linux server monitoring using Nagios.

Steps:

Prerequisites: AWS Free Tier, Nagios Server running on Amazon Linux Machine.

1. To Confirm that Nagios is running **on the server side**, run this *sudo systemctl status nagios* on the “NAGIOS HOST”.

```
● nagios.service - LSB: Starts and stops the Nagios
   Loaded: loaded (/etc/rc.d/init.d/nagios; bad; vendor preset: disabled)
   Active: active (running) since Sun 2021-10-24 12:34:12 UTC; 1min 45s ago
     Docs: man:systemd-sysv-generator(8)
  Process: 30073 ExecStart=/etc/rc.d/init.d/nagios start
    CGroup: /system.slice/nagios.service
            └─30094 /usr/local/nagios/bin/nagios -c /usr/local/nagios/etc/nagios.cfg
```

You can proceed if you get this message.

2. Before we begin,
To monitor a Linux machine, create an Ubuntu 20.04 server EC2 Instance in AWS.

Provide it with the same security group as the Nagios Host and name it ‘linux-client’ alongside the host.

	Name	Instance ID	Instance state	Instance type	Status check	Alarm status	Availability Zone	Public
<input type="checkbox"/>	nagios-host	i-02b4cad37ec7c2e10	Running	t2.micro	2/2 checks passed	No alarms	ap-south-1a	ec2-1:1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	linux-client	i-0a236ba67844d7b5d	Running	t2.micro	Initializing	No alarms	ap-south-1a	ec2-1:1

For now, leave this machine as is, and go back to your nagios HOST machine.

- On the server, run this command

```
ps -ef | grep nagios
```

```
[ec2-user@ip-172-31-46-218 ~]$ ps -ef | grep nagios
ec2-user  9398  3253  0 09:02 pts/0    00:00:00 grep --color=auto nagios
nagios    30094      1  0 08:04 ?        00:00:00 /usr/local/nagios/bin/nagios -d /usr/local/nagios/etc/nagios.cfg
nagios    30096 30094  0 08:04 ?        00:00:00 /usr/local/nagios/bin/nagios --worker /usr/local/nagios/var/rw/nagios.qh
nagios    30097 30094  0 08:04 ?        00:00:00 /usr/local/nagios/bin/nagios --worker /usr/local/nagios/var/rw/nagios.qh
nagios    30098 30094  0 08:04 ?        00:00:00 /usr/local/nagios/bin/nagios --worker /usr/local/nagios/var/rw/nagios.qh
nagios    30099 30094  0 08:04 ?        00:00:00 /usr/local/nagios/bin/nagios --worker /usr/local/nagios/var/rw/nagios.qh
nagios    30100 30094  0 08:04 ?        00:00:00 /usr/local/nagios/bin/nagios -d /usr/local/nagios/etc/nagios.cfg
```

- Become a root user and create 2 folders

```
sudo su
```

```
mkdir /usr/local/nagios/etc/objects/monitorhosts
```

```
mkdir /usr/local/nagios/etc/objects/monitorhosts/linuxhosts
```

- Copy the sample localhost.cfg file to linuxhost folder

```
cp /usr/local/nagios/etc/objects/localhost.cfg
```

```
/usr/local/nagios/etc/objects/monitorhosts/linuxhosts/linuxserver.cfg
```

- Open linuxserver.cfg using nano and make the following changes

```
nano
```

```
/usr/local/nagios/etc/objects/monitorhosts/linuxhosts/linuxserver.cfg
```

Change the hostname to linuxserver (EVERYWHERE ON THE FILE)

Change address to the public IP address of your **LINUX CLIENT**.

```
GNU nano 2.9.8 /usr/local/nagios/etc/objects/monit
# Define a host for the local machine

define host{
    use linux-server ; Name of hostgroup
    ; This hostgroup is defined in the
    ; in the hostgroup file

    host_name linuxserver
    alias linuxserver
    address 13.234.59.2
}
```

Change hostgroup_name under hostgroup to linux-servers1

```
GNU nano 2.9.8 /usr/local/nagios/etc/objects/monitorhosts.cfg
# Define an optional hostgroup for Linux machines

define hostgroup{
    hostgroup_name linux-servers1 ; The name of the hostgroup
    alias          Linux Servers ; Long name of the group
    members        linuxserver1 ; Comma separated list of members
}

#####
#####
#
```

Everywhere else on the file, change the hostname to linuxserver instead of localhost.

7. Open the Nagios Config file and add the following line

nano /usr/local/nagios/etc/nagios.cfg

##Add this line

cfg_dir=/usr/local/nagios/etc/objects/monitorhosts/

```
GNU nano 2.9.8 /usr/local/nagios/etc/nagios.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
cfg_dir=/usr/local/nagios/etc/objects/monitorhosts/
```

8. Verify the configuration files

```
Checking for circular paths...
  Checked 2 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

Things look okay - No serious problems were detected during the pre-flight check
[root@ip-172-31-46-218 ec2-user]#
```

You are good to go if there are no errors.

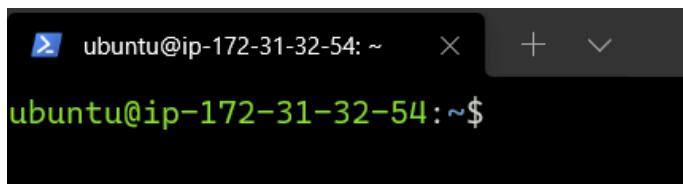
9. Restart the nagios service

```
service nagios restart
```

```
[root@ip-172-31-46-218 ec2-user]# service nagios restart
Restarting nagios (via systemctl): [ OK ]
[root@ip-172-31-46-218 ec2-user]# systemctl status nagios
● nagios.service - LSB: Starts and stops the Nagios monitoring server
   Loaded: loaded (/etc/rc.d/init.d/nagios; bad; vendor preset: disabled)
   Active: active (running) since Sun 2021-10-24 09:36:58 UTC; 4s ago
     Docs: man:systemd-sysv-generator(8)
  Process: 9669 ExecStop=/etc/rc.d/init.d/nagios stop (code=exited, status=0)
  Process: 9676 ExecStart=/etc/rc.d/init.d/nagios start (code=exited, status=0)
   CGroup: /system.slice/nagios.service
           └─9698 /usr/local/nagios/bin/nagios -d /usr/local/nagios/etc/nagi
           └─9700 /usr/local/nagios/bin/nagios --worker /usr/local/nagios/va
           └─9701 /usr/local/nagios/bin/nagios --worker /usr/local/nagios/va
           └─9702 /usr/local/nagios/bin/nagios --worker /usr/local/nagios/va
           └─9703 /usr/local/nagios/bin/nagios --worker /usr/local/nagios/va
           └─9704 /usr/local/nagios/bin/nagios -d /usr/local/nagios/etc/nagi
```

Now it is time to switch to the client machine.

10. SSH into the machine or simply use the EC2 Instance Connect feature.



```
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-54: ~
ubuntu@ip-172-31-32-54: ~$
```

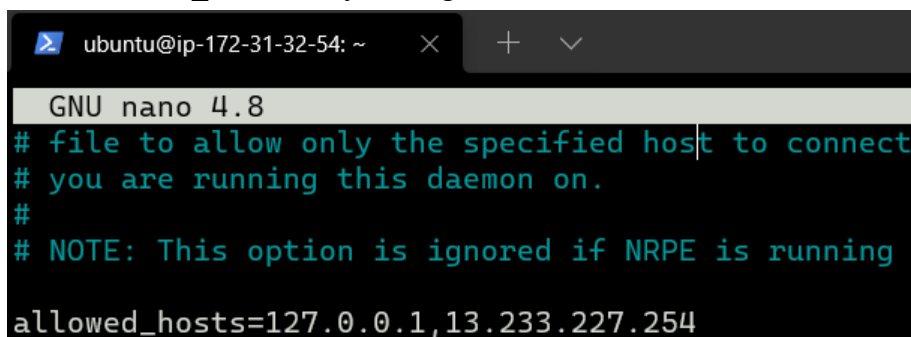
11. Make a package index update and install gcc, nagios-nrpe-server and the plugins.

```
sudo apt update -y
sudo apt install gcc -y
sudo apt install -y nagios-nrpe-server nagios-plugins
```

12. Open nrpe.cfg file to make changes.

```
sudo nano /etc/nagios/nrpe.cfg
```

Under `allowed_hosts`, add your nagios host IP address like so



```
GNU nano 4.8
# file to allow only the specified host to connect
# you are running this daemon on.
#
# NOTE: This option is ignored if NRPE is running
allowed_hosts=127.0.0.1,13.233.227.254
```

13. Restart the NRPE server

```
sudo systemctl restart nagios-nrpe-server
```

14. Now, check your nagios dashboard and you'll see a new host being added.

Click on Hosts.

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Up Down Unreachable Pending

2 0 0 0

All Problems All Types

0 2

Service Status Totals

Ok Warning Unknown Critical Pending

12 1 0 3 0

All Problems All Types

4 16

Host Status Details For All Host Groups

Limit Results: 100

Host	Status	Last Check	Duration	Status Information
linuxserver	UP	10-24-2021 09:51:50	0d 0h 16m 51s	PRVG OK - Packet loss = 0%, RTA = 0.49 ms
localhost	UP	10-24-2021 09:52:21	0d 1h 48m 49s	PRVG OK - Packet loss = 0%, RTA = 0.03 ms

Results 1 - 2 of 2 Matching Hosts

Click on linuxserver to see the host details

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Last Updated: Sun Oct 24 10:04:16 UTC 2021
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Host Status

Limit Results: 100

Host	Status	Last Check
linuxserver	UP	10-24-2021 10:01:50
localhost	UP	10-24-2021 10:02:21

Results 1 - 2 of 2 Matching Hosts

You can click Services to see all services and ports being monitored.

Limit Results: 100 ▼						
Host ★★	Service ★★	Status ★★	Last Check ★★	Duration ★★	Attempt ★★	Status Information
linuxserver	Current Load	OK	10-24-2021 10:02:35	0d 0h 25m 27s	1/4	OK - load average: 0.00, 0.01, 0.00
	Current Users	OK	10-24-2021 09:58:13	0d 0h 24m 49s	1/4	USERS OK - 1 users currently logged in
	HTTP	CRITICAL	10-24-2021 10:01:50	0d 0h 22m 12s	4/4	connect to address 13.234.59.2 and port 80: Conn
	PING	OK	10-24-2021 09:59:28	0d 0h 23m 34s	1/4	PING OK - Packet loss = 0%, RTA = 0.53 ms
	Root Partition	OK	10-24-2021 10:00:05	0d 0h 22m 57s	1/4	DISK OK - free space: / 6222 MB (76% inode=989
	SSH	OK	10-24-2021 10:00:43	0d 0h 22m 19s	1/4	SSH OK - OpenSSH_8.2p1 Ubuntu-4ubuntu0.2 (p
	Swap Usage	CRITICAL	10-24-2021 09:59:20	0d 0h 21m 42s	4/4	SWAP CRITICAL - 0% free (0 MB out of 0 MB) - S
	Total Processes	OK	10-24-2021 10:01:58	0d 0h 21m 4s	1/4	PROCS OK: 27 processes with STATE = RSZDT

As you can see, we have our linuxserver up and running. It is showing critical status on HTTP due to permission errors and swap because there is no partition created.

In this case, we have monitored -

Servers: 1 linux server

Services: swap

Ports: 22, 80 (ssh, http)

Processes: User status, Current load, total processes, root partition, etc.

Recommended Cleanup

- Terminate both of your EC-2 instances to avoid charges.
- Delete the security group if you created a new one (it won't affect your bill, you may avoid it)

Conclusion:

Thus, we learned about service monitoring using Nagios and successfully monitored a Linux Server and monitored its different ports and services using Nagios and NRPE.