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Making story from system logs with

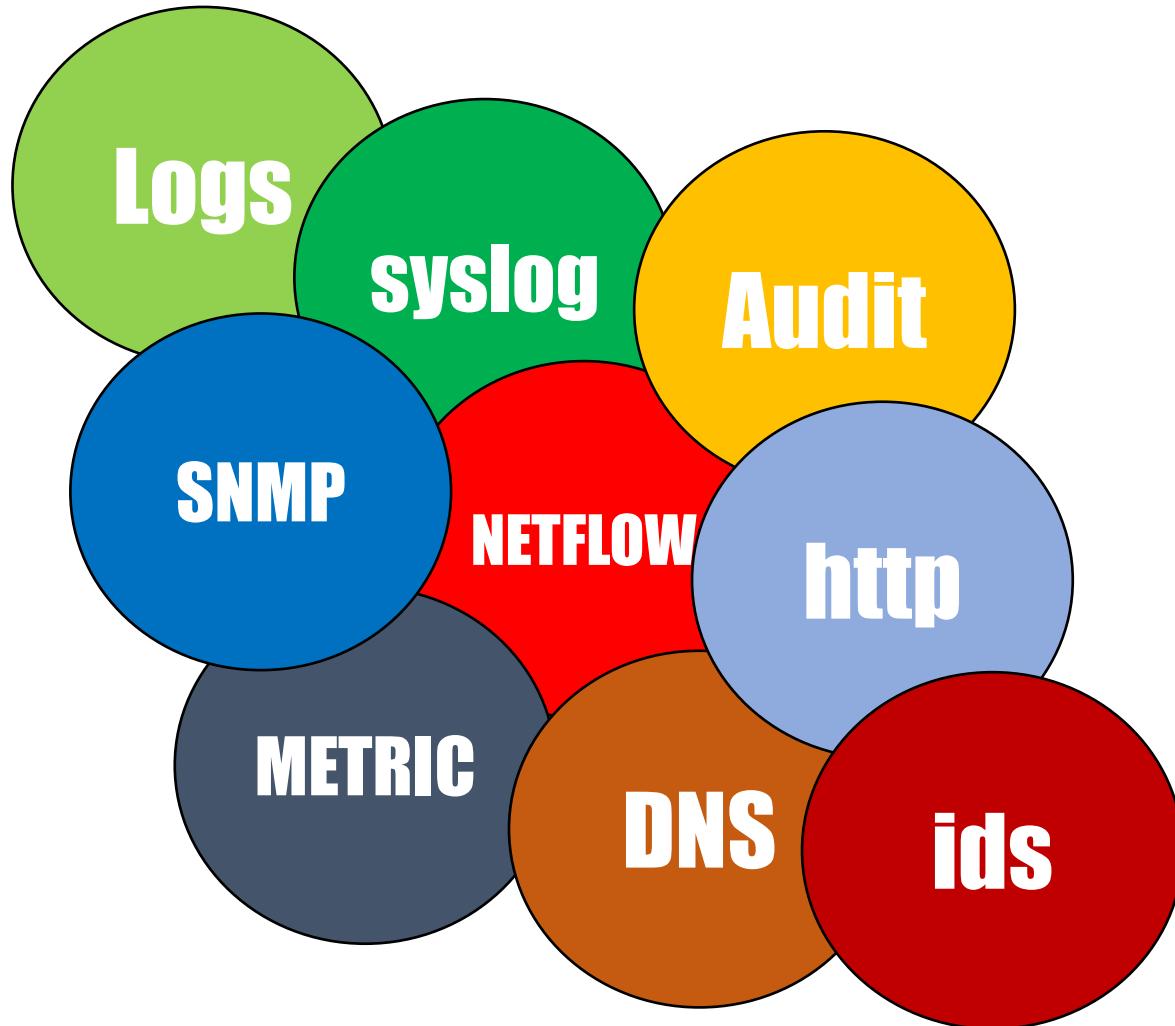


elastic stack

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What is Elastic Stack ?

Store, Analyze



Ingest



User Interface







a full-text based, distributed NoSQL database.

Written in Java, built on Apache Lucene

Commonly used for log analytics, full-text search, security intelligence, business analytics, and operational intelligence use cases.

Use REST API (GET, PUT, POST, and DELETE) for storing and searching data



Data is stored as documents

(rows in relational database)

Data is separated into fields

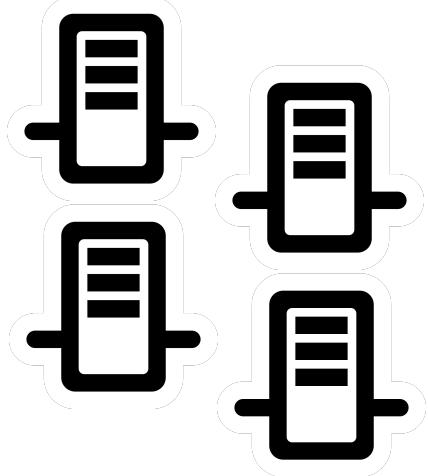
(columns in relational database)



Relational Database	Elasticsearch
Database	Index
Table	Type
Row/Record	Document
Column Name	Field



elasticsearch Terminology



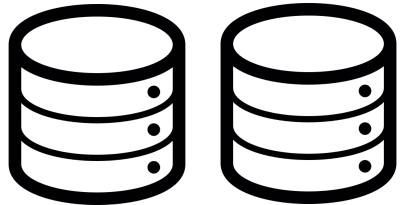
Cluster: A cluster consists of one or more nodes which share the same **cluster name**.



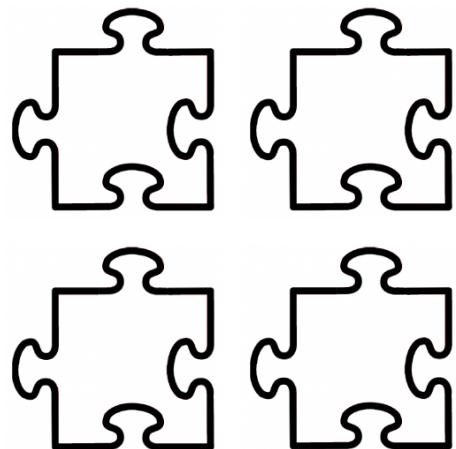
Node: A node is a running instance of elasticsearch which belongs to a cluster.



elasticsearch Terminology



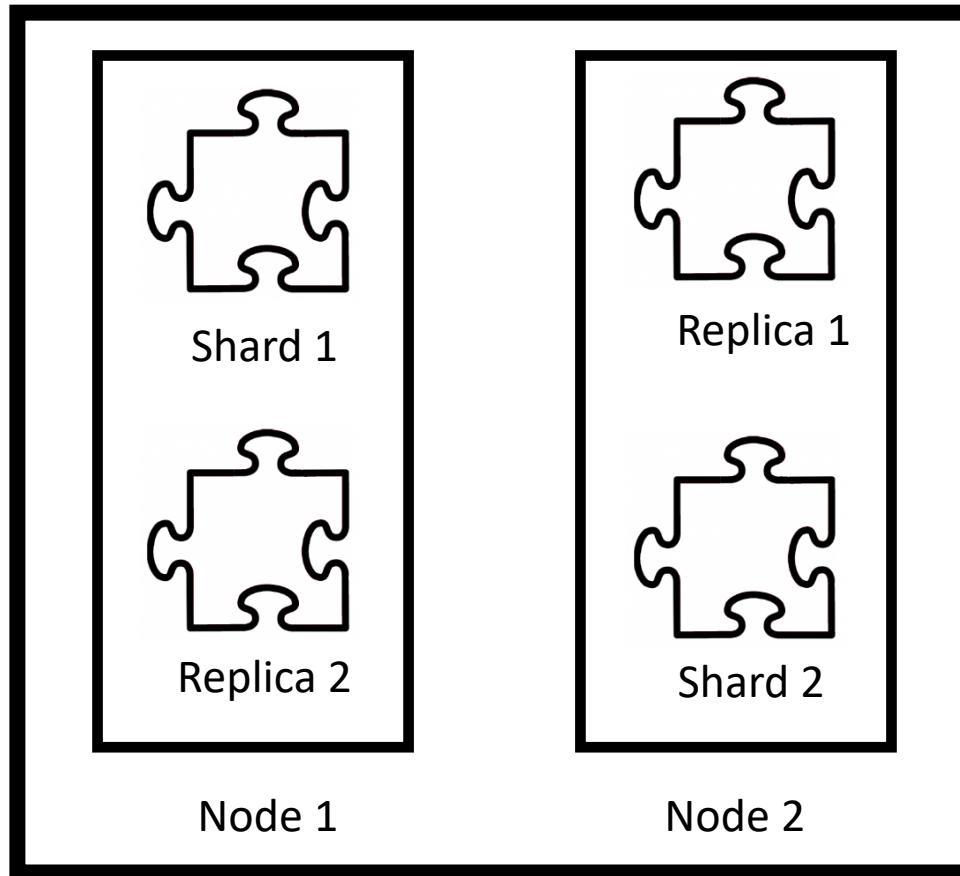
Index: Collection of documents



Shard: An index is split into elements known as shards that are distributed across multiple nodes. There are two types of shard, Primary and replica. By default elasticsearch creates 1 primary shard and 1 replica shard for each index.



elasticsearch **Terminology**



cluster



elasticsearch Terminology

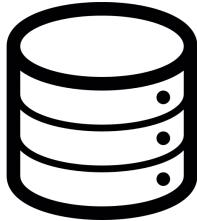
Documents

- Indices hold **documents** in serialized **JSON objects**
- 1 document = 1 log entry
- Contains "field : value" pairs
- Metadata
 - **_index** – Index the document belongs to
 - **_id** – unique ID for that log
 - **_source** – parsed log fields

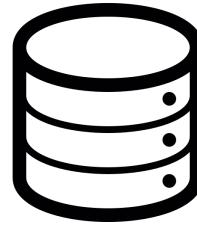
```
{  
  "_index": "netflow-2020.10.08",  
  "_type": "_doc",  
  "_id": "ZwkiB3UBULotwSOX3Bdb",  
  "_version": 1,  
  "_score": null,  
  "_source": {  
    "@timestamp": "2020-10-08T07:35:32.000Z",  
    "host": "172.20.0.1",  
    "netflow": {  
      "ipv4_dst_addr": "103.12.179.136",  
      "l4_dst_port": 80,  
      "src_tos": 0,  
      "l4_src_port": 53966,  
      "ipv4_src_addr": "192.168.110.18",  
      "application_id": "13..0",  
      "version": 9,  
      "l4_protocol": "TCP",  
      "src_ip": "192.168.110.18",  
      "dst_ip": "103.12.179.136",  
      "l4_src_port": 53966,  
      "l4_dst_port": 80  
    }  
  }  
}
```



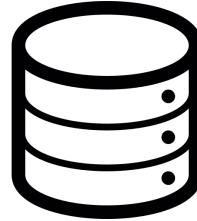
elasticsearch **Index creation**



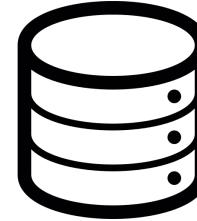
netflow-2020.10.08



netflow-2020.10.09



syslog-2020.10.08

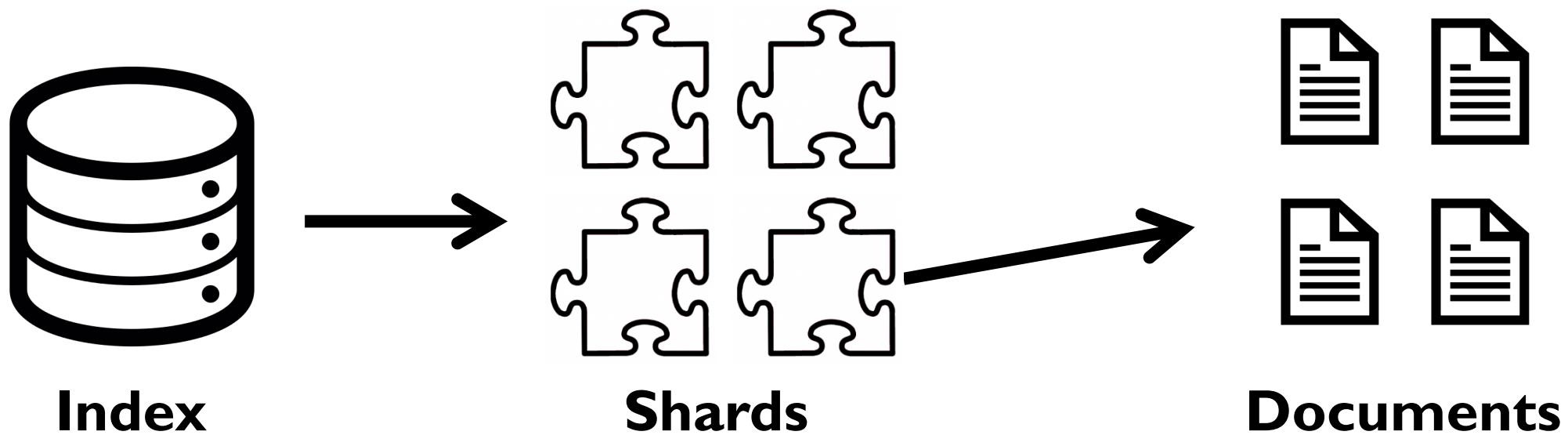


syslog-2020.10.09





elasticsearch **Shards and Documents**





Hosted Elasticsearch:

Elastic cloud, AWS, GCP and Azure. Nothing to install, just login and run instances. Free 14 day trial.

Own hardware:

Linux and MacOS tar.gz archive

Windows .zip archive

deb, rpm, msi, brew, docker



elasticsearch Installation (Ubuntu example)

Install JAVA

```
curl -fsSL https://artifacts.elastic.co/GPG-KEY-elasticsearch  
| sudo apt-key add -
```

```
echo "deb https://artifacts.elastic.co/packages/7.x/apt stable main"  
| sudo tee -a /etc/apt/sources.list.d/elastic-7.x.list
```

```
sudo apt update
```

```
sudo apt install elasticsearch
```



elasticsearch Installation

(docker example)

Pull the image

```
docker pull docker.elastic.co/elasticsearch/elasticsearch:7.x
```

Start a single node cluster

```
docker run -p 9200:9200 -p 9300:9300 -e  
"discovery.type=single-node"  
docker.elastic.co/elasticsearch/elasticsearch:7.x
```



elasticsearch Installation (docker example)

Multi node cluster with docker-compose

```
es01:  
  image: ${ELASTICSEARCH_IMAGE}  
  container_name: es01  
  restart: always  
  ports:  
    - "9200:9200"  
  environment:  
    - "ES_JAVA_OPTS=-Xms1g -Xmx1g"  
  networks:  
    - net  
  volumes:  
    - type: bind  
      source: some_path_your_host  
      target: some_path_your_container
```

```
es02:  
  image: ${ELASTICSEARCH_IMAGE}  
  container_name: es02  
  restart: always  
  ports:  
    - "9201:9201"  
  environment:  
    - "ES_JAVA_OPTS=-Xms1g -Xmx1g"  
  networks:  
    - net  
  volumes:  
    - type: bind  
      source: some_path_your_host  
      target: some_path_your_container
```



Location and the config file

/usr/share/elasticsearch/config/elasticsearch.yml

Key configuration elements

Single node

```
network.host: 0.0.0.0
http.port: 9200
discovery.type=single-node
```

Cluster

```
node.name: es01
node.master: true
cluster.name: training
discovery.seed_hosts: es02
cluster.initial_master_nodes: es01,es02
network.host: 0.0.0.0
```



```
[root@4f8cd6658b1b elasticsearch]# curl http://localhost:9200
{
  "name" : "es01",
  "cluster_name" : "training",
  "cluster_uuid" : "vE9SZr8oRFK0A0HTq9U_oA",
  "version" : {
    "number" : "7.7.0",
    "build_flavor" : "default",
    "build_type" : "docker",
    "build_hash" : "81a1e9eda8e6183f5237786246f6dcfd26a10eaf",
    "build_date" : "2020-05-12T02:01:37.602180Z",
    "build_snapshot" : false,
    "lucene_version" : "8.5.1",
    "minimum_wire_compatibility_version" : "6.8.0",
    "minimum_index_compatibility_version" : "6.0.0-beta1"
  },
  "tagline" : "You Know, for Search"
}
[root@4f8cd6658b1b elasticsearch]#
```



logstash



Free, developed and maintained by Elastic

Integrates with Beats

Integrates with Elasticsearch

Tons of plugins



logstash Logstash has three stages

INPUT

```
input {  
  tcp {  
    port => 5002  
    type => "syslog"  
  }  
}
```

beats, file, syslog,
udp, snmp,
etc...

FILTER

```
filter {  
  if [type] == "syslog" {  
    grok {  
    }  
  }  
}
```

http, kv,
xml, json,
etc...

OUTPUT

```
output {  
  if [type] == "syslog" {  
    elasticsearch {  
      hosts => "http://es01:9200"  
      index => "syslog-%{+YYYY.MM.dd}"  
    }  
  }  
}
```

csv, file,
http, stdout,
etc....

.conf



Grok is a great way to parse unstructured log data into something structured and queryable.

The syntax for a grok pattern is % { SYNTAX : SEMANTIC }

SYNTAX: is the name of the pattern that will match your text

SEMANTIC: is the identifier to the piece of text being matched



logstash Grok Example

raw log

```
192.168.8.1 GET /index.html 15824 0.04
```

grok pattern

```
%{IP:client} %{WORD:method} %{URIPATHPARAM:request} %{NUMBER:bytes} %{NUMBER:duration}
```

output

```
{
    "duration": "0.04",
    "request": "/index.html",
    "method": "GET",
    "bytes": "15824",
    "client": "192.168.8.1"
}
```



Grok Debugger

Sample Data

```
1 192.168.8.1 GET /index.html 15824 0.04
```

Grok Pattern

```
1 %{IP:client} %{WORD:method} %{URIPATHPARAM:request} %{NUMBER:bytes} %{NUMBER:duration}
```

> Custom Patterns

[Simulate](#)

Structured Data

```
1 {  
2   "duration": "0.04",  
3   "request": "/index.html",  
4   "method": "GET",  
5   "bytes": "15824",  
6   "client": "192.168.8.1"  
7 }
```



logstash Installation

From binaries

Download the package from:

<https://www.elastic.co/downloads/logstash>

Options are: tar.gz, deb, zip, rpm

Package manager: yum, apt-get, homebrew

Container: docker



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```

```
sudo apt update
```

```
sudo apt install logstash
```



logstash Installation (docker example)

Pull the image

```
docker pull docker.elastic.co/logstash/logstash:7.x
```

Start the container

```
docker run --rm -it -v  
~/settings/:/usr/share/logstash/config/  
docker.elastic.co/logstash/logstash:7.x
```

Dockerfile

```
FROM docker.elastic.co/logstash/logstash:7.x  
RUN rm -f /usr/share/logstash/pipeline/logstash.conf  
ADD pipeline/ /usr/share/logstash/pipeline/  
ADD config/ /usr/share/logstash/config/
```



kibana



Logs for single host

```
vagrant@logger:~/suricata-update$ tail -f /var/log/suricata/fast.log
01/13/2019-16:01:35.369922 [**] [1:2013504:5] ET POLICY GNU/Linux APT User-Agent Outbound likely re
lated to package management [**] [Classification: Not Suspicious Traffic] [Priority: 3] {TCP} 10.0.2
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Command line logs

- **cat**
- **tail**
- **grep**
- **vi/ vim/ nano /event viewer**



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Safari/537.36"
66.249.93.53 -- [05/Jan/2018:05:09:02 -0700] "GET /software-01/13/2019-16:01:43.074022 [**] [1:2013504:5] ET POLICY GNU/Linux APT User-Agent Outbound likely re
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84.30.36.214 -- [05/Jan/2018:05:09:02 -0700] "GET /feed HTTP/1.1" 301 466 "-" "
Tiny Tiny RSS/16.8 (http://tt-rss.org/)"
--More-- (0%)
```

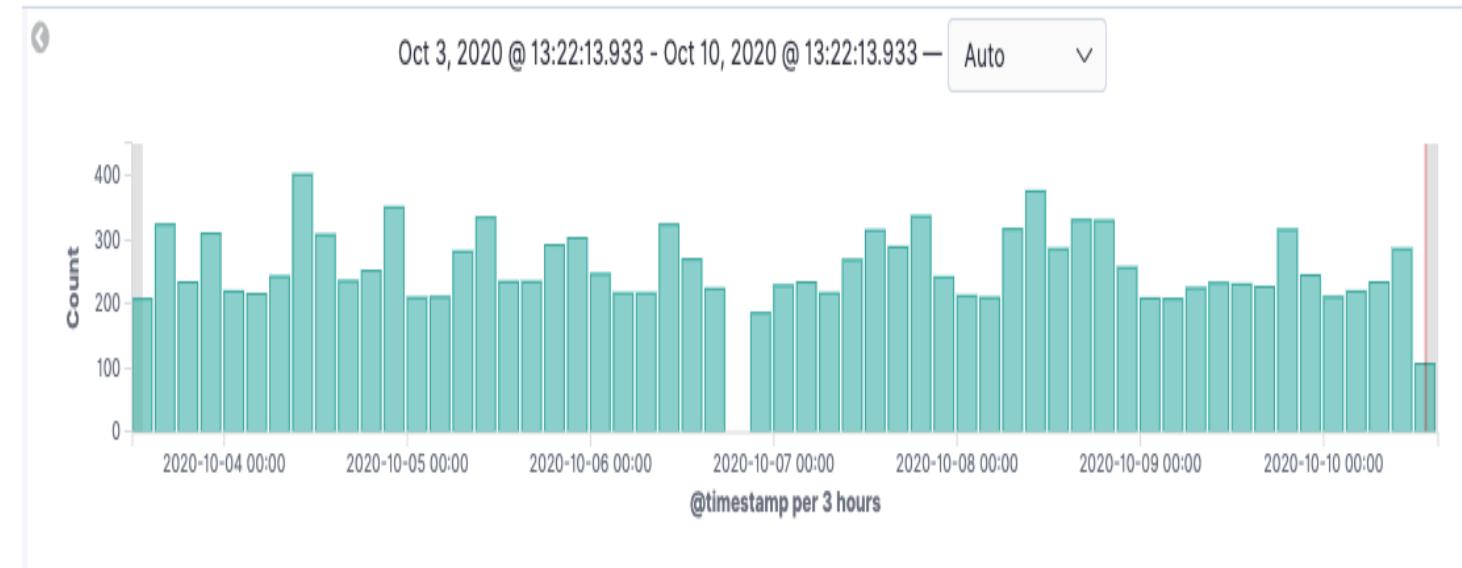
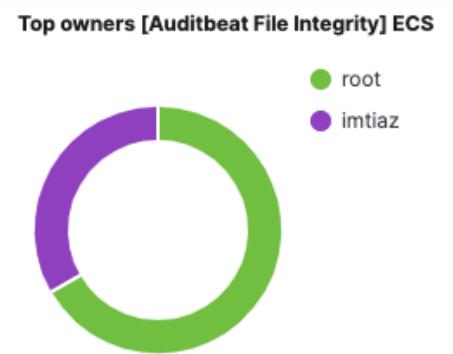
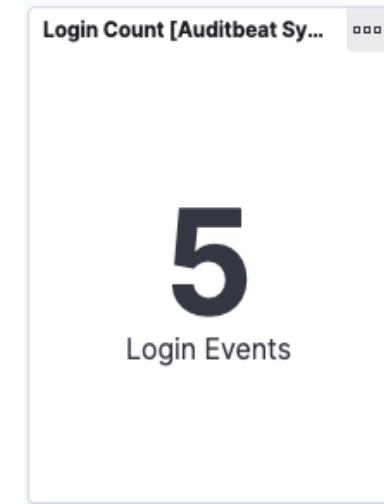
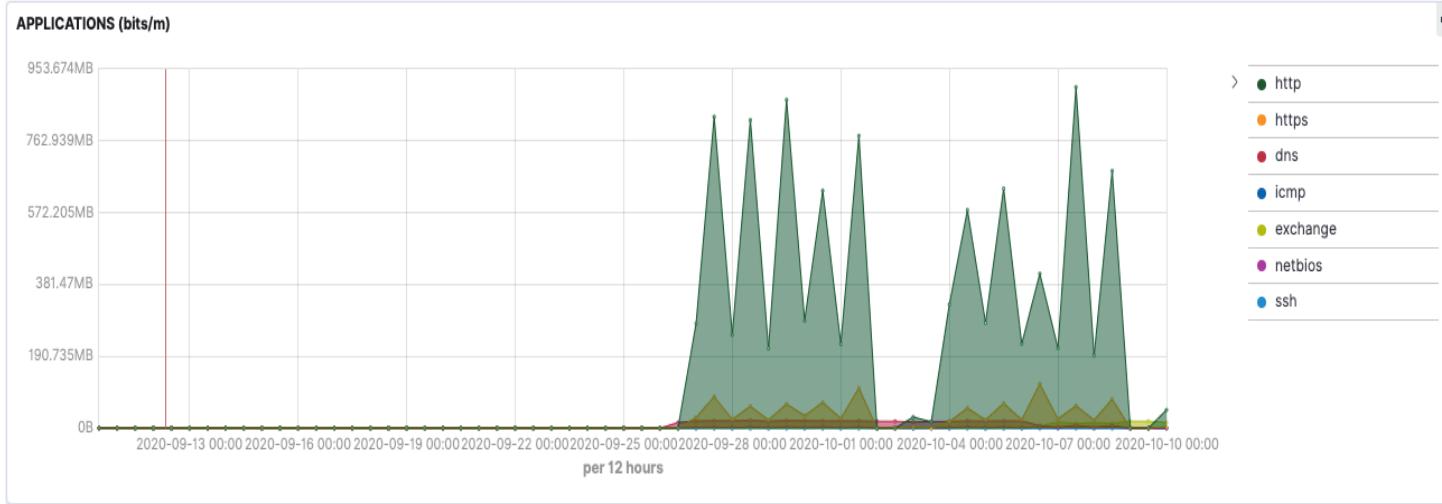


Not available on cli

- **Multiple source**
- **Corelating**
- **Seraching, filtering**
- **Visualize**



kibana is for visualization





kibana Installation

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```

```
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```

```
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```



kibana Installation (Docker example)

Pull the image

```
docker pull docker.elastic.co/kibana/kibana:7.x
```

Start the container

```
docker run --link  
ELASTICSEARCH_CONTAINER:elasticsearch -p 5601:5601  
docker.elastic.co/kibana/kibana:7.x
```



kibana Installation (Docker example)

Docker-compose

```
kibana:  
  image: ${KIBANA_IMAGE}  
  container_name: kibana  
  restart: always  
  ports:  
    - "5601:5601"  
  volumes:  
    - type: bind  
      source: ./kibana/conf/kibana.yml  
      target: /usr/share/kibana/config/kibana.yml  
  depends_on:  
    - es01  
networks:  
  - net
```



kibana configuration

Location and the config file

/usr/share/kibana/config/kibana.yml

Key configuration elements

```
server.name: kibana
server.host: "0"
elasticsearch.hosts:
  - http://es01:9200
  - http://es02:9200
```



kibana

http://<YOUR_KIBANA_HOST>:5601

Home

Observability

APM

APM automatically collects in-depth performance metrics and errors from inside your applications.

Add APM

Logs

Ingest logs from popular data sources and easily visualize in preconfigured dashboards.

Add log data

Metrics

Collect metrics from the operating system and services running on your servers.

Add metric data

Security

SIEM

Centralize security events for interactive investigation in ready-to-go visualizations.

Add events

Add sample data

Load a data set and a Kibana dashboard

Upload data from log file

Import a CSV, NDJSON, or log file

Use Elasticsearch data

Connect to your Elasticsearch index

Visualize and Explore Data

APM

Automatically collect in-depth performance metrics

Canvas

Showcase your data in a pixel-perfect way.

Manage and Administer the Elastic Stack

Console

Skip cURL and use this JSON interface to work

Index Patterns

Manage the index patterns that help retrieve your





elasticsearch **Security (TLS, RBAC)**

```
bin/elasticsearch-certutil ca
```

```
bin/elasticsearch-certutil cert --ca elastic-stack-ca.p12
```



PKCS12

```
vim /usr/share/elasticsearch/config/elasticsearch.yml
```

```
xpack.security.enabled: true
xpack.security.transport.ssl.enabled: true
xpack.security.transport.ssl.keystore.type: PKCS12
xpack.security.transport.ssl.verification_mode: certificate
xpack.security.transport.ssl.keystore.path: elastic-certificates.p12
xpack.security.transport.ssl.truststore.path: elastic-certificates.p12
xpack.security.transport.ssl.truststore.type: PKCS12
```



elasticsearch **Security (TLS, RBAC)**

Setup password for built-in users

```
bin/elasticsearch-setup-passwords auto/interactive
```

```
Changed password for user apm_system
```

```
PASSWORD apm_system = JreXXXXXXXXXXXXXXDm2F
```

```
Changed password for user kibana
```

```
PASSWORD kibana = YKvXXXXXXXXXXXXXicZ
```

```
Changed password for user logstash_system
```

```
PASSWORD logstash_system = jUcXXXXXXXXXXXXXnkP
```

```
Changed password for user beats_system
```

```
PASSWORD beats_system = uAkXXXXXXXXXXXXXv42
```

```
Changed password for user remote_monitoring_user
```

```
PASSWORD remote_monitoring_user = 9LdXXXXXXXXXXXXlKC
```

```
Changed password for user elastic
```

```
PASSWORD elastic = GUdXXXXXXXXXXXXX8Ze
```



elasticsearch **Security (RBAC)**

built-in users

These users have a fixed set of privileges and cannot be authenticate/use without setup the credentials.

elastic: superuser

Kibana: to connect and communicate with elasticsearch

apm_system, logstash_system, beats_system,
remote_monitoring_user: uses when storing monitoring information in Elasticsearch.



kibana Security

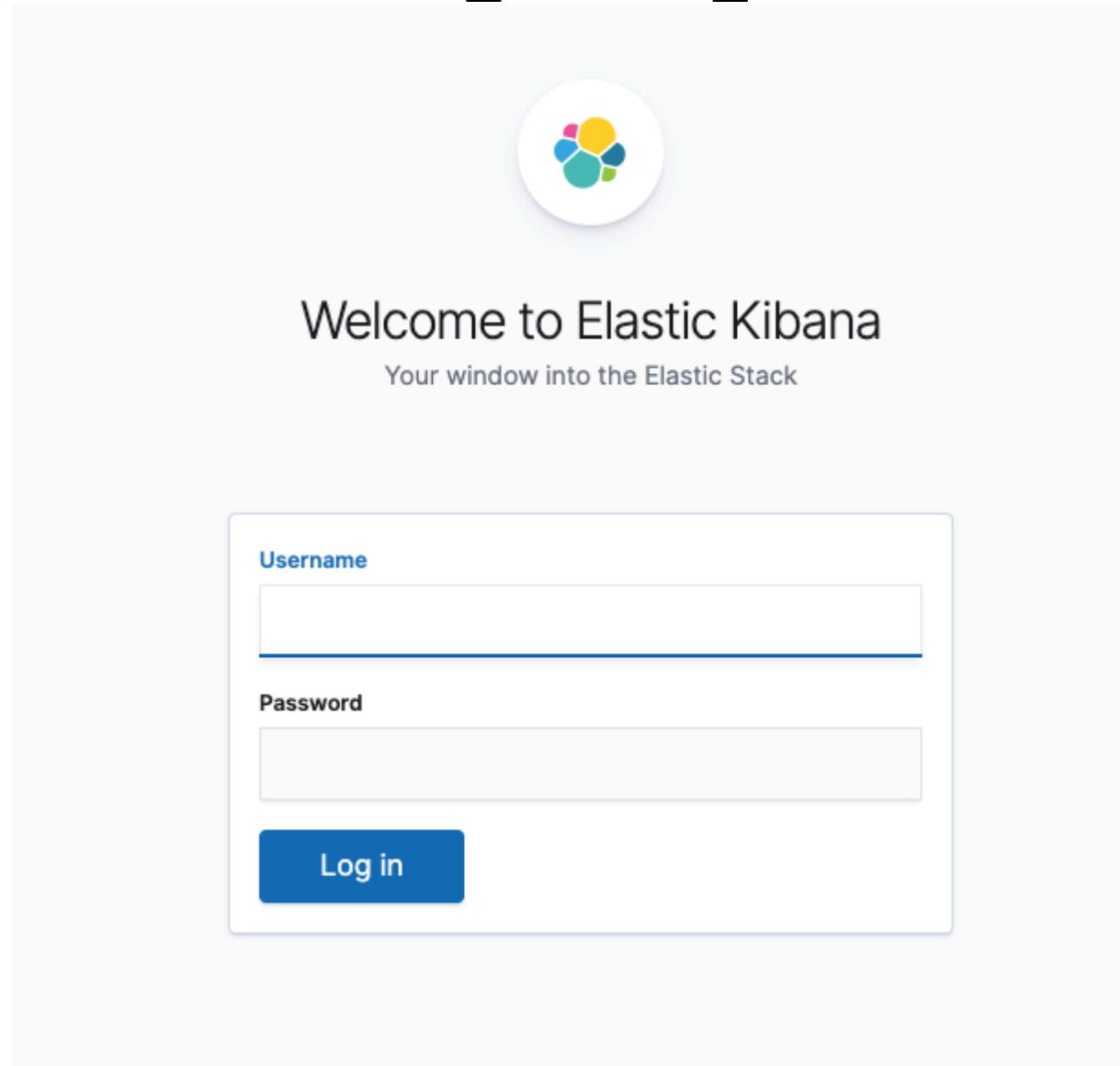
```
vim config/kibana.yml
```

```
server.name: kibana
server.host: "0"
elasticsearch.hosts:
  - http://es01:9200
  - http://es02:9200
```

```
elasticsearch.username: "user_namae"
elasticsearch.password: "password"
```



`http://<YOUR_KIBANA_HOST>:5601`



The image shows the login screen for Elastic Kibana. At the top center is a circular logo containing a stylized cluster of colored dots (yellow, green, blue). Below the logo, the text "Welcome to Elastic Kibana" is displayed in a large, bold, black font. Underneath that, in a smaller, regular black font, is the subtitle "Your window into the Elastic Stack". A central rectangular input box contains two fields: "Username" and "Password", each with a corresponding label above it. Below these fields is a large blue button with the text "Log in" in white. The entire input area is set against a light grey background.

Welcome to Elastic Kibana

Your window into the Elastic Stack

Username

Password

Log in





Lightweight data shippers

install as agents on your servers

Available in Linux/Windows/Mac



Auditbeat

Metricbeat

Filebeat

Packetbeat

Heartbeat

Winlogbeat



beats Installation (Auditbeat)

Download and install

```
curl -L -O https://artifacts.elastic.co/downloads/beats/auditbeat/auditbeat-7.7.0-amd64.deb
```

```
sudo dpkg -i auditbeat-7.7.0-amd64.deb
```

Edit configuration (/etc/auditbeat/auditbeat.yml)

```
output.elasticsearch:  
  hosts: ["es_host:9200"]  
  username: "elastic"  
  password: "<password>"  
setup.kibana:  
  host: "http://kibana_host:5601"
```

 beats **Installation** (Auditbeat)

Start auditbeat

```
sudo auditbeat setup  
sudo service auditbeat start
```

Status

Check that data is received from Auditbeat

[Check data](#)

Data successfully received

Alerting



Elastalert

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ElastAlert is a simple framework for alerting on anomalies, spikes, or other patterns of interest from data in Elasticsearch.

X events in Y time [frequency type]

rate of events increases or decreases" [spike type]

matches a blacklist/whitelist" [blacklist and whitelist type]

less than X events in Y time" [flatline type]

Email, JIRA, HipChat, MS Teams, Slack, Telegram etc..

Elastalert Installation

```
sudo apt-get install python-minimal
```

```
sudo apt-get install python-pip python-dev libffi-dev libssl-dev
```

```
sudo git clone https://github.com/Yelp/elastalert.git
```

```
sudo pip install "setuptools>=11.3"
```

```
sudo python setup.py install
```

```
sudo pip install "elasticsearch>=5.0.0"
```

Elastalert configuration

```
vim /opt/elastalert/config.yaml
```

```
es_host: elk-server
es_port: 9200
es_username: es_user
es_password: password
```

```
sudo elastalert-create-index
```

Demo

- 1. Run and explore Elastic Stack with docker-compose**
- 2. Install, configure “Auditbeat” and send the logs to the Elastic**
- 3. Configure FIM in Auditbeat**
- 4. Alerting log event using elastalert to slack channel**

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Thank You



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