



Upgrading Your Elastic Stack to 7.x

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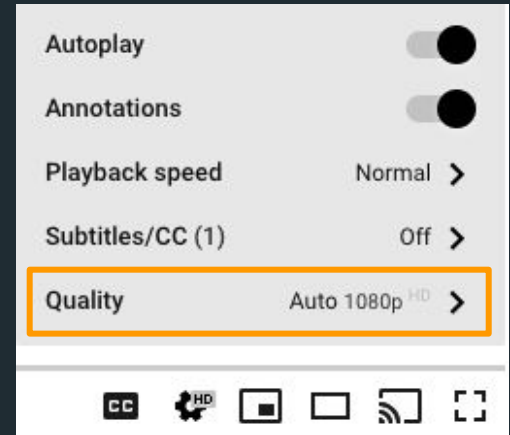
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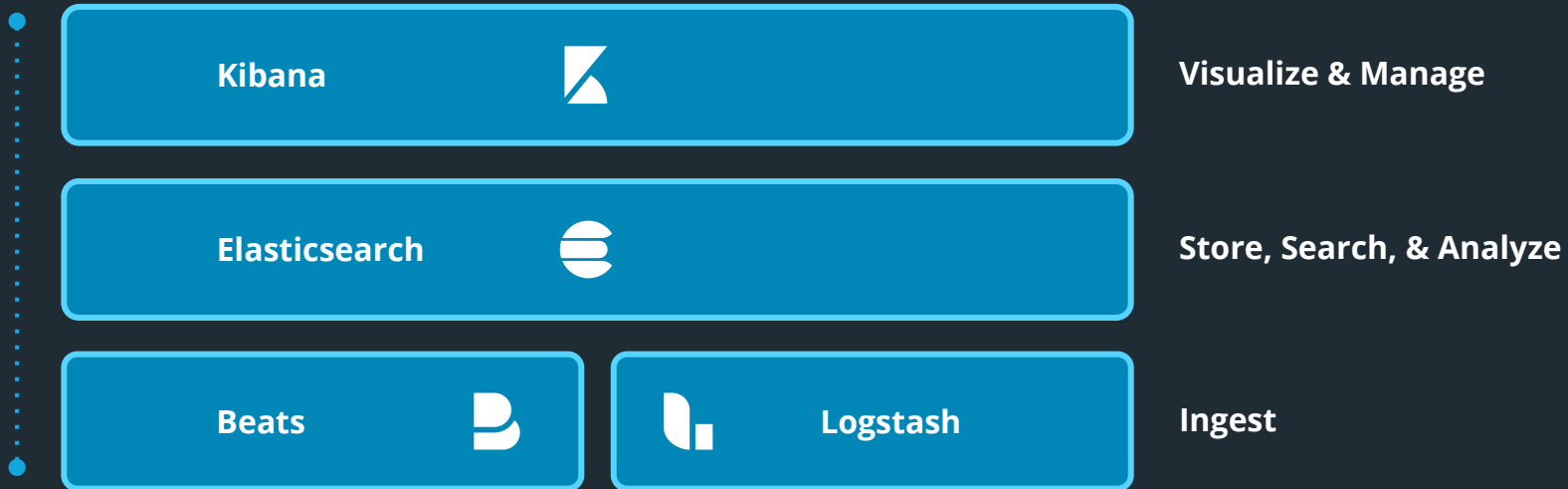
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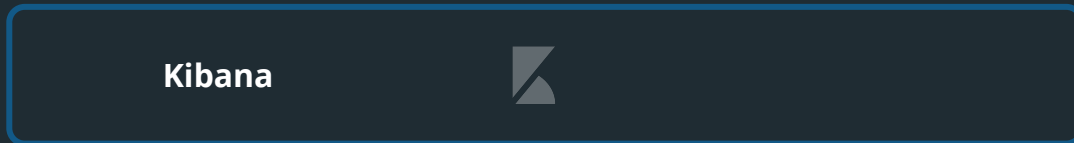

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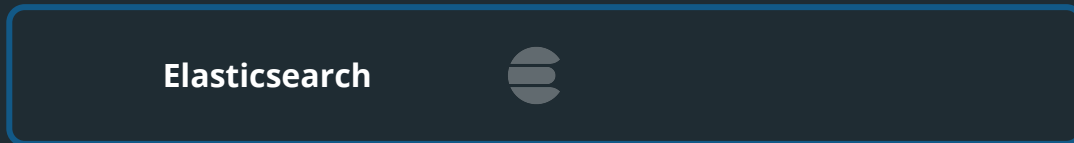

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Solutions



Visualize & Manage



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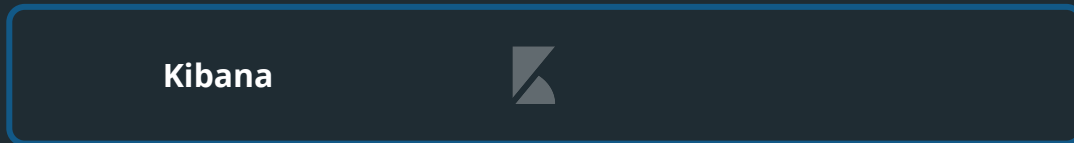


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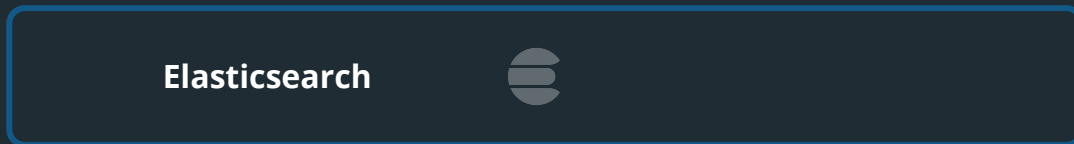

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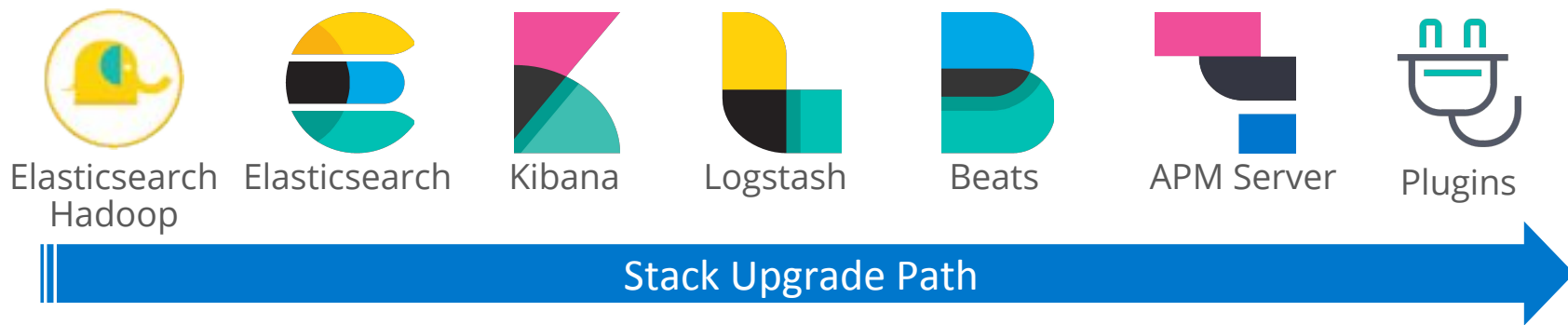
Topics Covered

Upgrading your Elastic Stack to 7.x

- Stack Upgrade Path
- Upgrading to 7.x
 - 7.0 Upgrade Assistant
 - Breaking Changes
- Upgrade Best Practices
- Upgrade Strategies
- Additional Resources

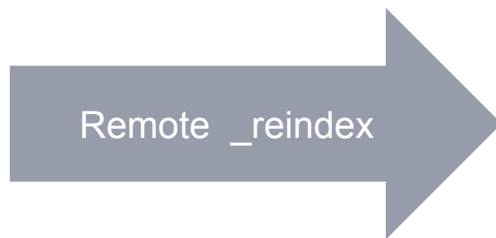
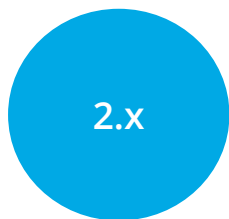
Upgrade Path

Stack Upgrade Path



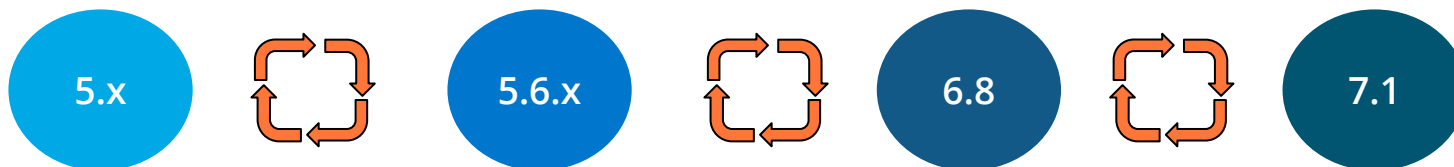
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Elasticsearch Upgrade Path 2.x - 7.x



<https://www.elastic.co/guide/en/elasticsearch/reference/current/reindex-upgrade.html>

Elasticsearch Upgrade Path 5.x - 7.x



You must delete or reindex any **indices created in 5.x** before upgrading from 6.x to 7.x

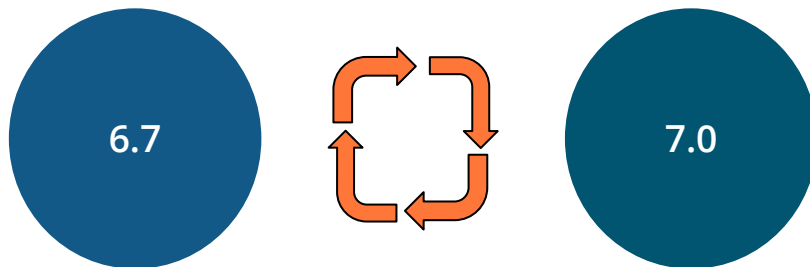


Rolling Upgrade



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Elasticsearch Upgrade Path 6.7 - 7.0



If you are not using Basic security introduced in 6.8 and 7.1, this will impact your upgrade process.

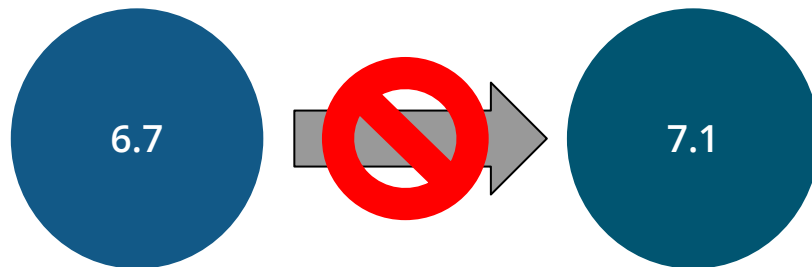


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Before You Upgrade

Before You Upgrade

- Create a snapshot/backup indices before upgrading or `_reindexing`



You cannot roll back to an earlier version unless you have a backup of your data.

- Check the deprecation log

- Review breaking changes and remediate

```
[2017-06-14T15:23:30,063][WARN ][o.e.d.i.m.StringFieldMapper$TypeParser] The [string] field is deprecated, please use [text] or [keyword] instead on [intervalName]
```

- If using custom plugins, ensure compatible versions are available
- Test upgrades in a dev/test environment before upgrading your production cluster.

Upgrade Assistant

7.0 Upgrade Assistant

Elasticsearch

- Index Management
- Index Lifecycle Policies
- [Rollup Jobs](#)
- Cross Cluster Replication
- Remote Clusters
- License Management
- [7.0 Upgrade Assistant](#)


Kibana

- Index Patterns
- Saved Objects
- Spaces
- Reporting
- Advanced Settings

7.0 Upgrade Assistant

Overview Cluster Indices

These **index** issues need your attention. Resolve them before upgrading to Elasticsearch 7.x.

 Back up your indices now

Back up your data using the [snapshot and restore APIs](#).

all **2**

critical **2**

by issue

by index

 Refresh

Expand all

Collapse all

Showing 2 of 2

▼ Index created before 6.0

2 indices

critical

[Documentation](#)

Index ↑

Details

7.0 Upgrade Assistant

Upgrading your Elastic Stack to 7.x

- Deprecation warning tool
- Reindexing tool for indices created in 5.x
- Available in Kibana 6.6+
 - Must upgrade to 6.7+ for latest warnings + reindexing tool
- Free with the Basic License



Demo Time

7.0 Upgrade Assistant

Available APIs

- RESTful APIs in Kibana
 - readiness check, reindexing, and adding default_field setting
- Great for needing to retain 1000s of indices
- Take care when reindexing, can put strain on your cluster
- [See documentation](#) for details and examples

Breaking Changes

Highlights

- Typeless APIs
- Elastic Common Schema (ECS)

Full list:

<https://www.elastic.co/guide/en/elasticsearch/reference/7.0/breaking-changes-7.0.html>

Typeless APIs

Breaking Changes

- APIs without mapping types are available in 6.7
- Typed API calls raise a deprecation warning in 7.x
- `include_type_name` query parameter
 - For Mapping, Index, and Index Template APIs
 - Introduced in Elasticsearch 6.7, defaults to `true`
 - Deprecated in 7.x, defaults to `false`
 - Will be removed in 8.0

6.x

```
PUT twitter/mytype/1
{
  "user": "kimchy",
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  "message": "trying out Elasticsearch"
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7.x

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6.x

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6.7 + 7.x (w/ deprecation warnings)

```
PUT test?include_type_name=true
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Elastic Common Schema (ECS)

Breaking Changes

- Common mappings for ingestion data
- Allows for easy correlation across data sources
- Introduced in Beats & APM 7.0
- Breaks some Ingest pipelines & Logstash filters
- May need to update saved searches & visualizations

6.x

`beat.hostname`

`docker.container.name`

`metricbeat.module`

`system.process.pid`



7.0 ECS

`agent.hostname`

`container.name`

`event.module`

`process.pid`

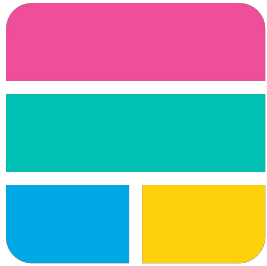
Full list: <https://www.elastic.co/guide/en/beats/libbeat/7.0/breaking-changes-7.0.html>

Upgrade Strategies

Upgrade Strategies

- Test!
- Snapshot/Restore into test cluster
 - Restore select index or entire cluster
 - Cloud Instance, Laptop, VM, container, Elastic Cloud
 - Test upgrade process

Upgrade Strategies



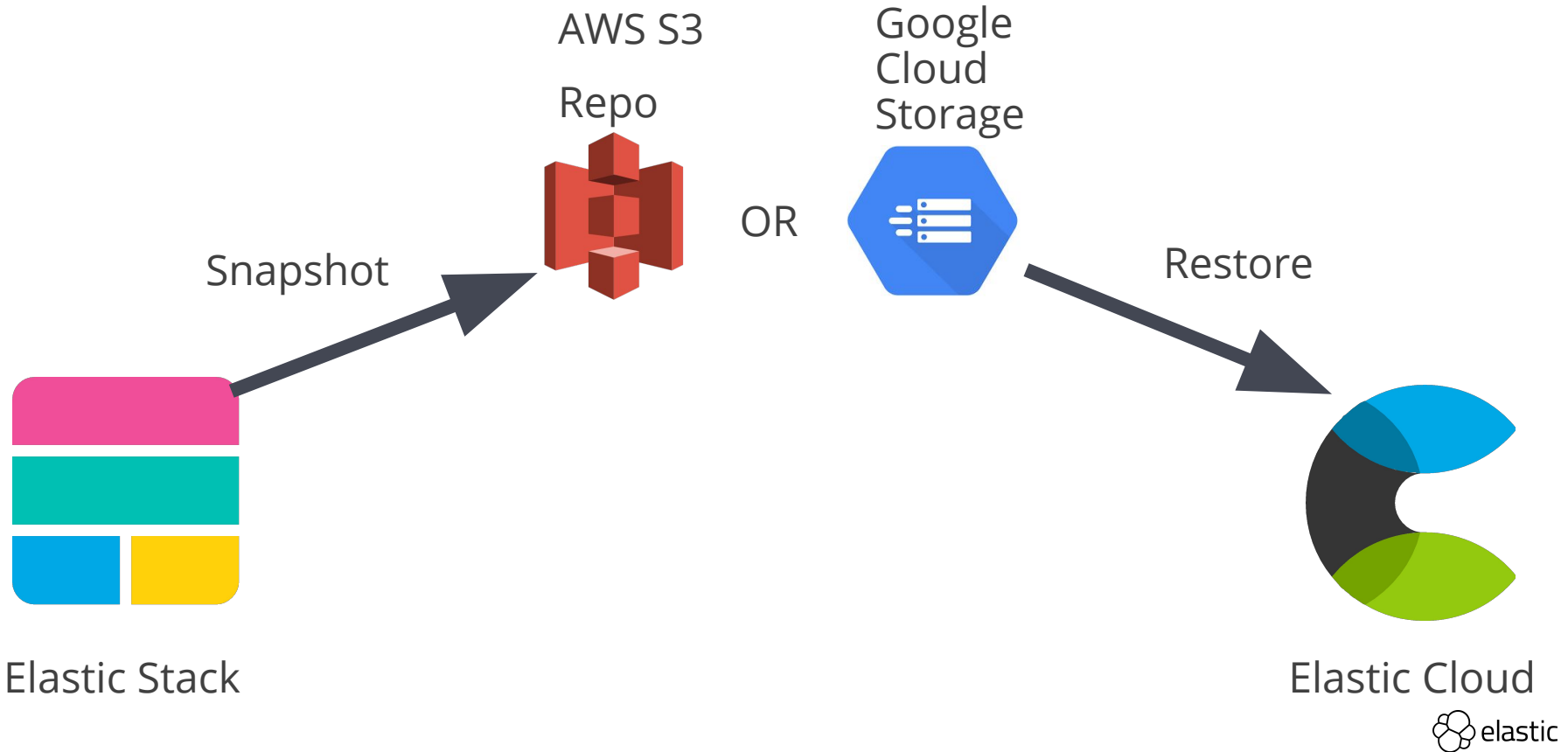
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Remote_reindex



Elastic Cloud

Upgrade Strategies





Upgrade Strategies

Create deployment

- 1 Name your deployment**

Give your deployment a name
- 2 Select a cloud platform**

Pick your cloud and let us handle the rest. No additional accounts required.

aws
Amazon Web Services
Google Cloud Platform
- 3 Select a region**

US Central 1 (Iowa) US West 1 (Oregon) **Europe West 1 (Belgium)** Europe West 3 (Frankfurt)
- 4 Set up your deployment**

Elastic Stack version
6.8.1 [Edit](#)

Select a deployment to restore from its latest snapshot
Restore from snapshot

The deployment must be in the same region and must have a compatible version of the Elastic Stack. [Learn more ...](#)

Monitoring

 Enable monitoring by shipping metrics to a deployment

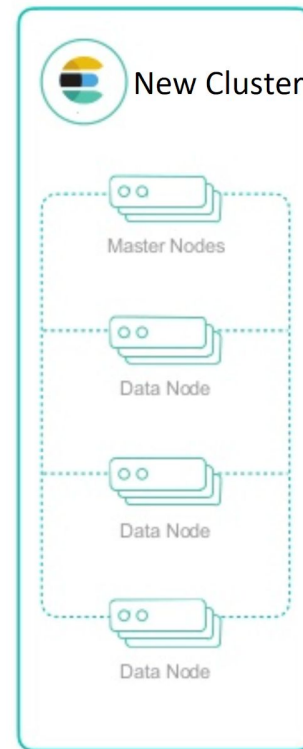
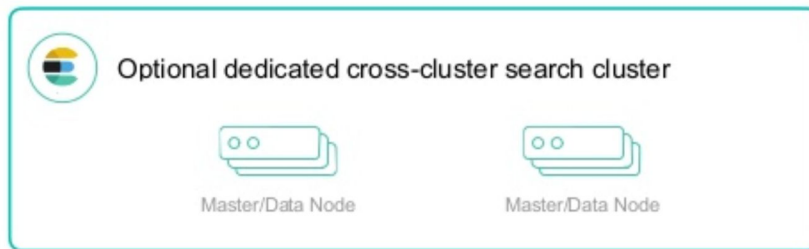
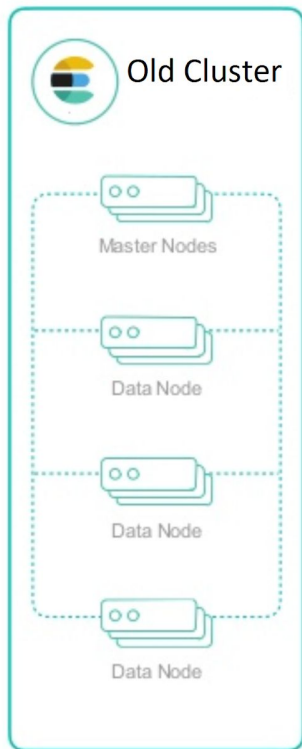
• Cloud Upgrade Test!

Restore from Snapshot

Upgrade Strategies

- Run the Upgrade Assistant against restored or `_reindexed` cluster
- Review Elasticsearch and Kibana breaking changes documentation

Upgrade Strategies



Lessons Learned



Kibana Upgrade Lessons Learned



- "shard failed" error when viewing Beats dashboards in Kibana
- After upgrading to Elasticsearch 7.0, any indices created by Beats 6.6 or older will not work in Kibana dashboards until the `index.query.default_field` setting is added to each index.
- Indices created in Beats 6.7 or later are unaffected. To add the setting to the index, you can use the 7.0 Upgrade Assistant, or add the setting manually.



<https://www.elastic.co/guide/en/kibana/current/upgrade.html>

Logstash Upgrade Lessons Learned



- Drain Persistent Queue 6.2.x and earlier

To drain the queue:

- In the logstash.yml file, set `queue.drain:true`.
- Restart Logstash for this setting to take effect.
- Shutdown Logstash (using CTRL+C or SIGTERM), and wait for the queue to empty.

- Drain Persistent Queue 6.3.x and later

- Shut down the original Logstash instance
- Spin up a new instance,
- Set `path.queue` in the logstash.yml settings file to point to the original queue directory.

Logstash Upgrade Path

<https://www.elastic.co/guide/en/logstash/7.1/upgrading-logstash-pqs.html#drain-pq>

Beats Upgrade Lessons Learned



- Check privileges for index lifecycle management (on by default in 7.0)edit
- Starting with Beats 7.0, index lifecycle management is on by default
- Make sure Beats users have the privileges needed to use index lifecycle management, or disable index lifecycle management.
- For help troubleshooting authorization issues, see **User is not authorized**.
- If you want to disable index lifecycle management, set `setup.ilm.enabled: false` in the Beats configuration file.



Be aware of the Elastic Common Schema! More on this later...



<https://www.elastic.co/guide/en/beats/libbeat/current/upgrading.html>

Lessons Learned

Security Realm Change

- Realm Type no longer needed. Error Message example:

```
`'xpack.security.authc.realms.saml.cloud-saml.type': is not allowed`
```

- A realm that was previous configured as:

```
xpack.security.authc.realms:
```

```
  ldap1:
```

```
    type: ldap
```

```
    order: 1
```

```
    url: "ldaps://ldap.example.com/"
```

Must be migrated to:

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Resources

Upgrade Resources

- Documentation
- Support
- Training
- Consulting
- Community

Upgrade Resources

- Cross stack upgrade guide

<https://www.elastic.co/guide/en/elastic-stack/current/upgrading-elastic-stack.html>

- Release highlights (per product)

<https://www.elastic.co/blog/category/releases>

- Support Matrix (<https://www.elastic.co/support/matrix>)

- End of Life (EOL) Dates (<https://www.elastic.co/support/eol>)

- 5.6.X - March 11th, 2019

- 6.8.X - Nov 11th, 2020

Security for Elasticsearch is Now Free in 6.8 and 7.1



<https://www.elastic.co/blog/security-for-elasticsearch-is-now-free>



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Elasticsearch
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Site Search
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Self Managed



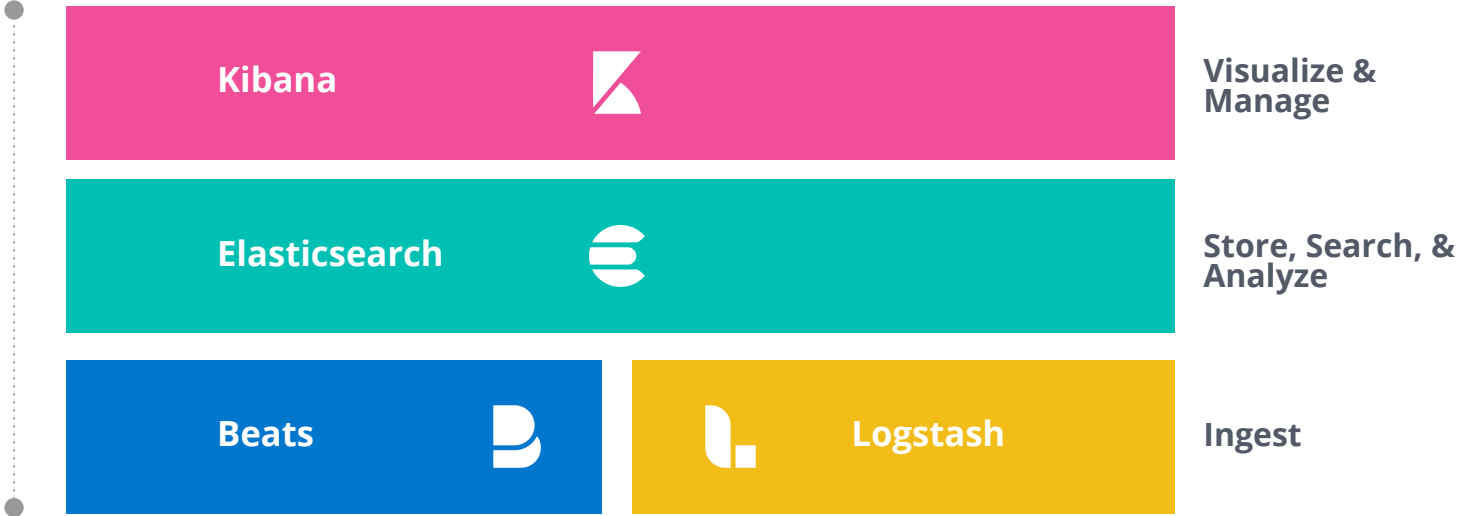
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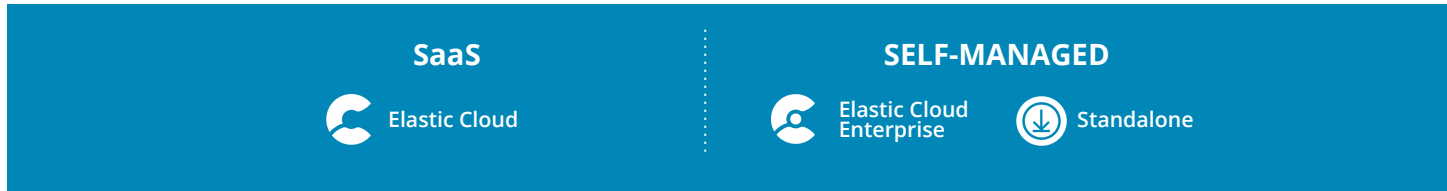
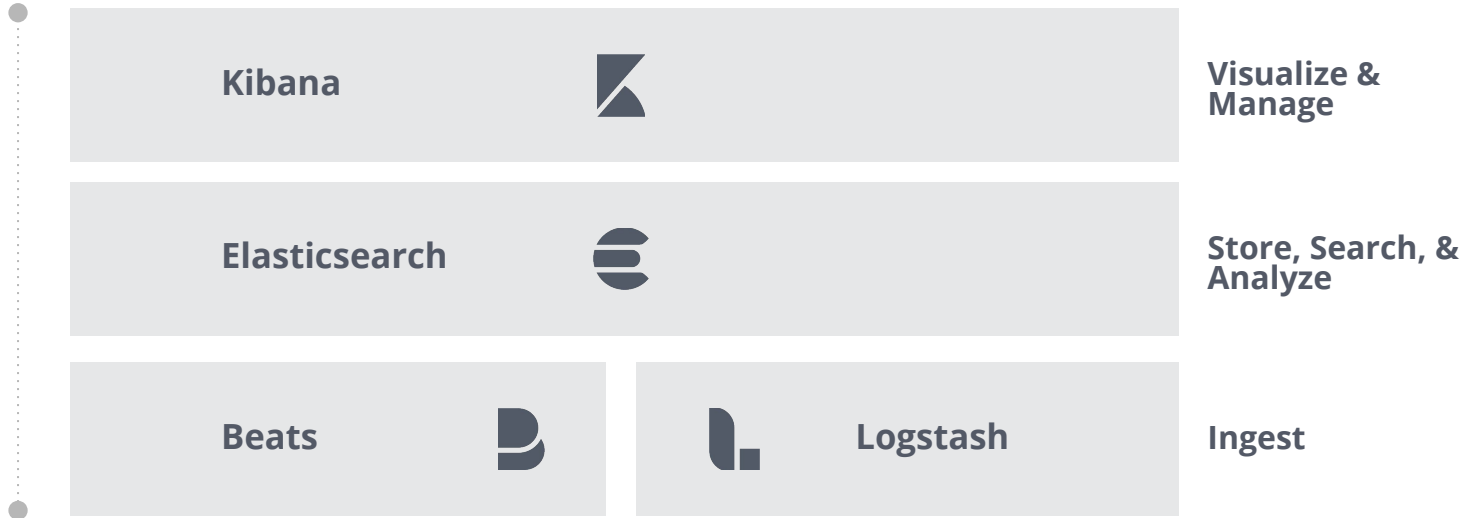
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Deployment options

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