

# Pushing Configuration Bundles in an Indexer Cluster

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#### Agenda

- Overview of Indexer Clustering
- Configuration Management in an Indexer Cluster.
  - What is a bundle? And why should I care?
  - Creating and distributing the bundle to all peers
  - Other bundle operations (validate, check restart, and roll back)
  - To restart or not to restart
  - Phased bundle downloads
- Demo
- Troubleshooting and Best PracticesQA

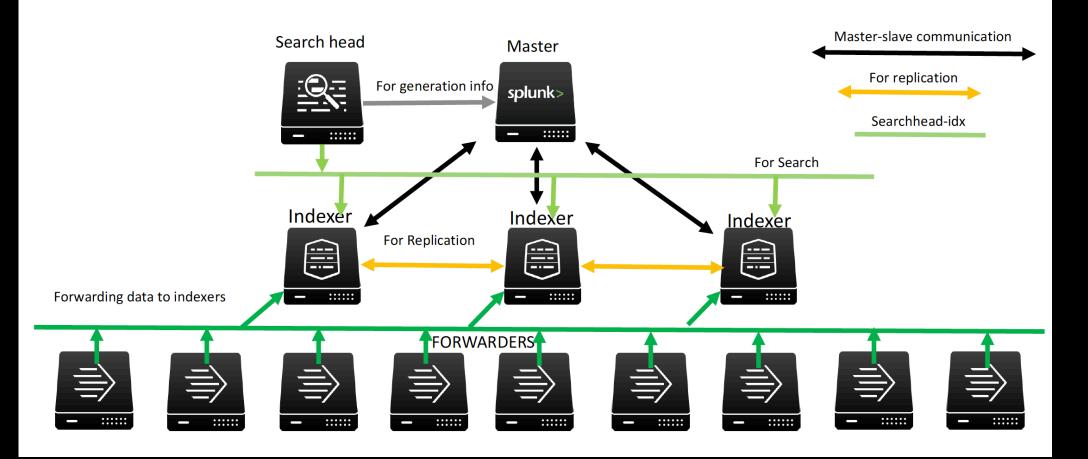
# Indexer Cluster Overview

Pushing Configuration Bundles in an Indexer Cluster



#### Indexer Clustering

#### Indexer cluster topology

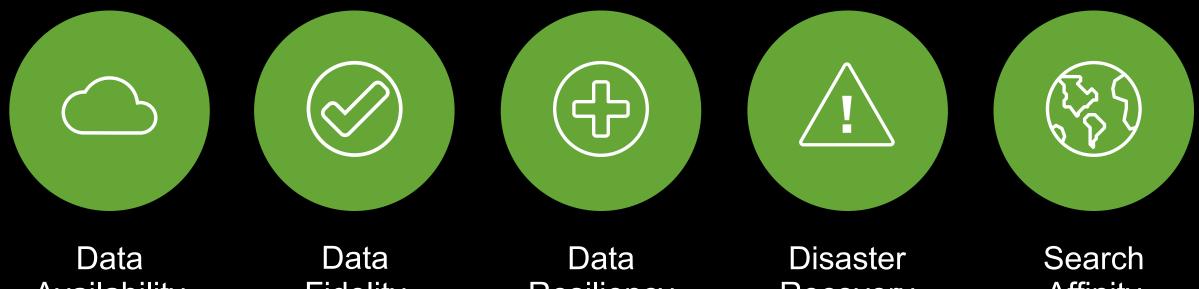


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#### Why Use Clustering?

Index Replication, Of Course



Availability

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Resiliency

Recovery

Affinity



#### **Elements of an Indexer Cluster**

#### Cluster Master

- Manages the cluster activities (peer addition, configuration distribution)
- Maintains an in-memory state of all the peers & their corresponding buckets, configs
- Orchestrates remedial activities during peer failures
- Tells search heads where to search
- Cluster Peer (Indexer)
  - Receive and index incoming data (typically from forwarders)
  - Replicate data to other peers for data availability
  - Respond to the incoming searches by providing search results
  - Update cluster master on any state change (peer, buckets, configs etc.)



# Configuration Management in the Cluster

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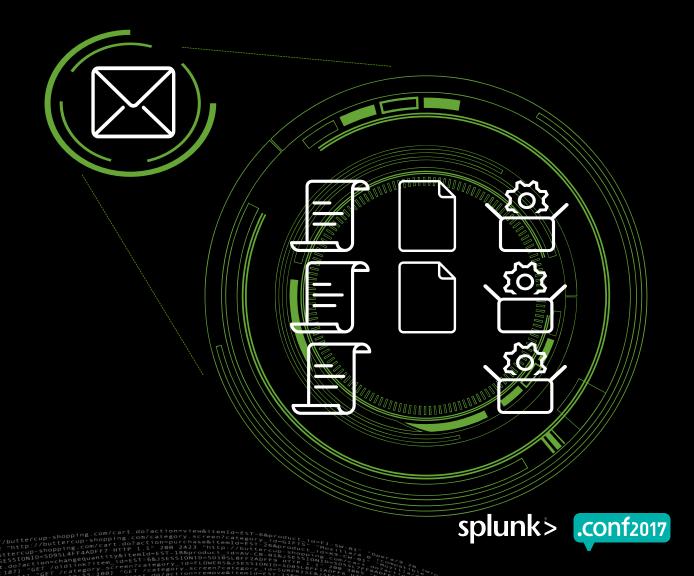


## **Configuration Bundles**

What is a bundle? And why should you care?

#### The Mysterious Bundle

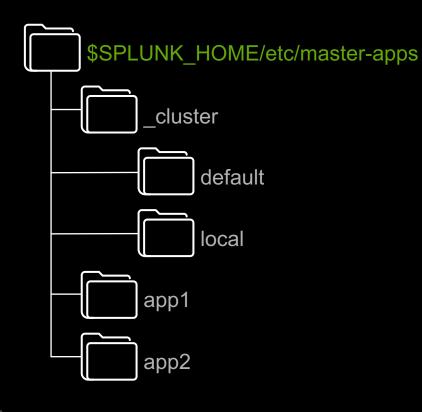
- The set of configuration files and apps common to all peers
- Managed from the master
- Distributed to the peers in a single operation
  - i.e. indexes.conf, props.conf, and transforms.conf
  - apps will also include versions of these configuration files



#### Where do the Bundles reside?

Both in the Cluster Master and the Cluster Peers

#### **Cluster Master**



#### **Cluster Peer**





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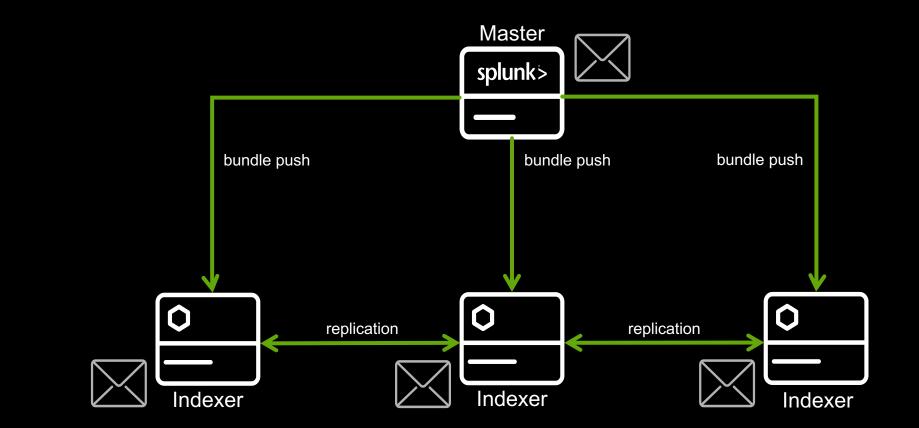


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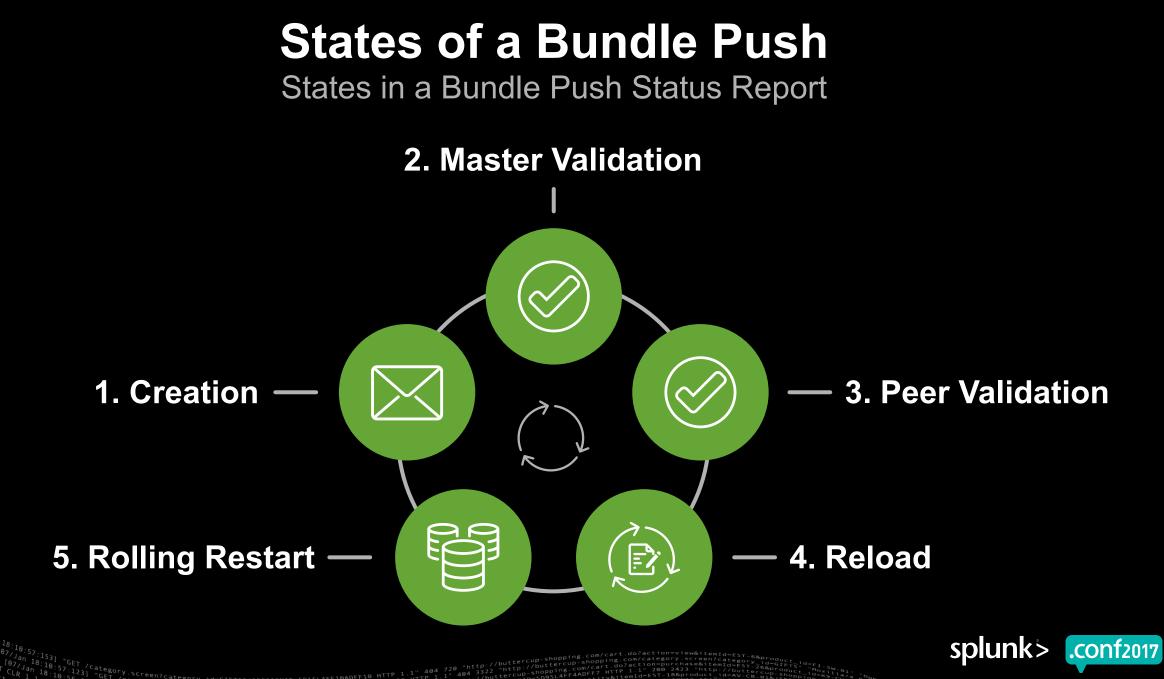


#### **Bundle Pushing**

It's not like replication







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#### Validating a Bundle

- Validate a bundle with the peers if bundle is acceptable
- \$ ./bin/splunk validate cluster-bundle

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#### **Rolling Back a Bundle**

- Did something go wrong with the bundle that was just pushed? You can rollback the latest bundle
- \$ ./bin/splunk rollback cluster-bundle





#### **To Restart or Not To Restart**

Configuration changes which need a restart to apply

- Changes to indexes.conf (deleting an index), inputs.conf
- Change home path in index.conf
- Delete an existing App
- Configuration changes which do not need a restart to apply
  - Adding a new index in indexes.conf, or a new app with reloadable configuration
  - Changes or additions to transforms.conf or props.conf



### **Checking for Restart**

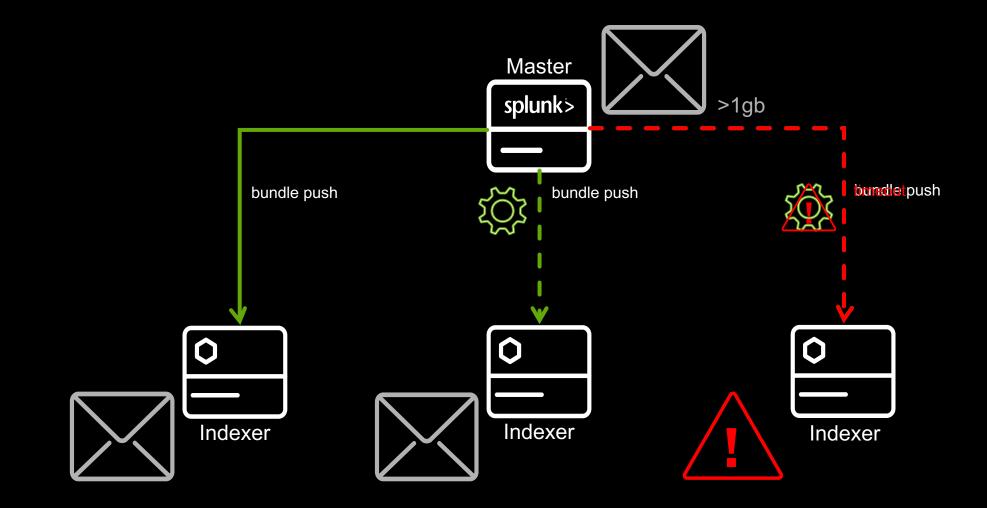
- Do you want to know whether your config changes require a restart?
- Allows admins to plan ahead when the configuration changes will trigger a rolling restart.
- \$ ./bin/splunk validate cluster-bundle –check-restart

Reload and Restart Simulation



#### **Oh No! Large Bundles**

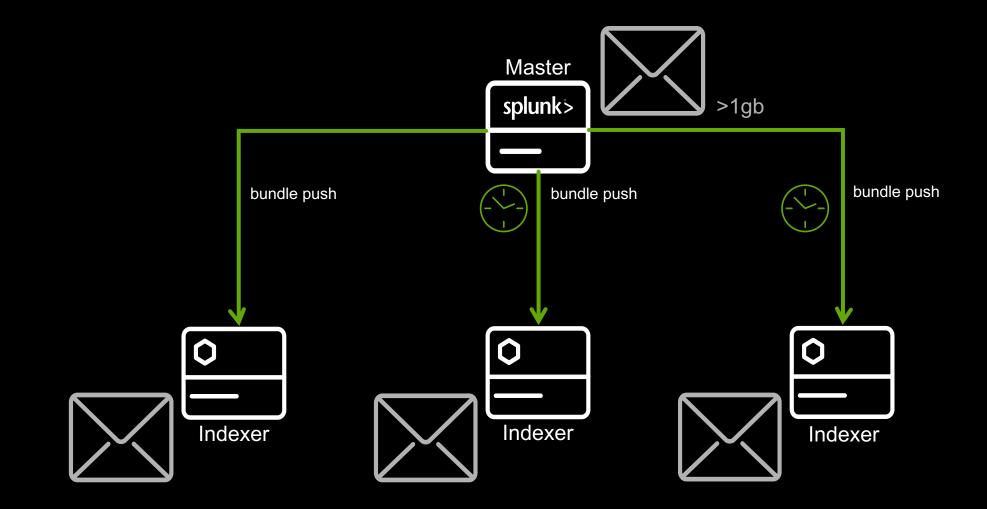
**Network Congestion and Timeouts** 





#### **Phased Bundle Downloads**

Sending to One Peer at a time





#### **Enabling Phased Bundle Downloads**

This is recommended if a cluster master is pushing large bundles or even a smaller bundle but to a large cluster (20 or more indexers).

► To enable, set the following configuration within server.conf

#inside server.conf
[clustering]
mode=master
max\_peers\_to\_download\_bundle = 1



#### Recap

Bundle Push and Other Operations

#### 1. Configuration Bundle

- 2. Bundle Operations: Apply, Validate, Check for Restart, Rollback
- 3. States during Bundle Push
- 4. Phased Bundle Downloads



# DEMO

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Configuration change to effect bundle push

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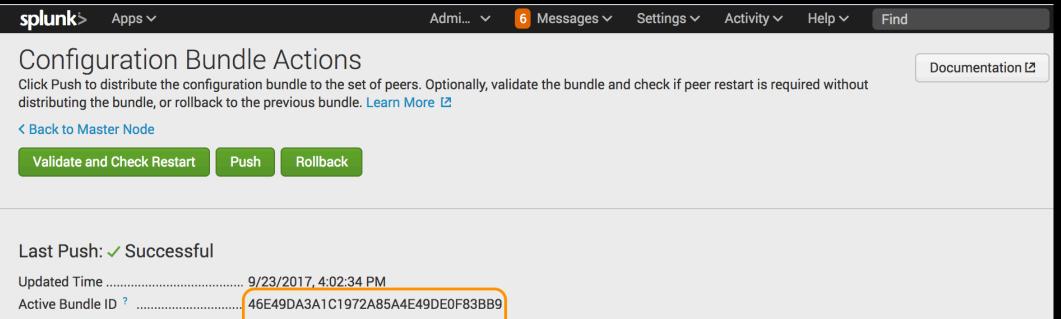
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# Troubleshooting and Best Practices

Pushing Configuration Bundles in an Indexer Cluster



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#### **Apply Bundle** Cluster Master – splunkd.log

INFO CMBundleMgr - apply bundle status transitioning from='None', to='Bundle Creation is
in progress.

INFO CMMaster - Creating a new bundle on the master.

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INFO CMBundleMgr - apply bundle status transitioning from='None', to='Bundle validation
is in progress.'

INFO CMMaster - Bundle validation is in progress for peers=8A0E551F-227C-48DC-9018-515A63F971E8,F78272B2-24DC-43BD-A402-A101123F2B4F.

Bundle validation success reported by [F78272B2-24DC-43BD-A402-A101123F2B4F peer name=peer1] successful for bundleid=1E704E11131BC274111CD8991E0DE621

INFO CMPeer - Bundle validation success reported by [8A0E551F-227C-48DC-9018-515A63F971E8 peer name=peer2] successful for bundleid=1E704E11131BC274111CD8991E0DE621

#### **Apply Bundle** Cluster Master – splunkd.log

INFO CMBundleMgr - apply bundle status transitioning from='Bundle validation is in progress.', to='Bundle reload is in progress. Waiting for all peers to return the status.'

INFO CMMaster - Peers have indicated they are reload capable, issuing bundle reload.

INFO CMPeer - Bundle reload status peer=8A0E551F-227C-48DC-9018-515A63F971E8
peer\_name=peer2 restart\_required=1 rolling\_restart=1 dryrun=0 reasons=[One or more
configs require a restart to take effect. Configs=inputs]

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INFO CMMaster - Restart required to apply the bundle.

INFO CMBundleMgr - apply bundle status transitioning from='Bundle reload is in progress. Waiting for all peers to return the status.', to='Rolling restart of the peers is in progress.'

INFO CMMaster - Starting a rolling restart of the peers.



#### **Apply Bundle** Viewing the cluster bundle

#### \$ ./bin/splunk show cluster-bundle-status

17:03 \$	splunk show cluster-bundle-status
master	
	cluster_status=None
	active_bundle
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	last_bundle_validation_status=success restart_required_apply_bundle=0 status=Up

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# **Check Restart**

Cluster Master – splunkd.log

INFO CMMaster - Changing the dryrun bundle on the master, dryrun='815D4F439CA468F282164B7E456154E7'.

CMBundleMgr - apply bundle status transitioning from='None', to='Bundle validation is in progress.'

CMMaster - Tracking bundle validation status for peers=F78272B2-24DC-43BD-A402-A101123F2B4F,8A0E551F-227C-48DC-9018-515A63F971E8

INFO CMPeer - Bundle validation success reported by [F78272B2-24DC-43BD-A402-A101123F2B4F peer name=peer1] successful for bundleid=815D4F439CA468F282164B7E456154E7

INFO CMPeer - Bundle validation success reported by [8A0E551F-227C-48DC-9018-515A63F971E8 peer name=peer2] successful for bundleid=815D4F439CA468F282164B7E456154E7

INFO CMMaster - CMMaster issuing a dry run of bundle push

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# **Check Restart**

Cluster Master – splunkd.log

INFO CMBundleMgr - apply bundle status
transitioning from='Bundle validation is
in progress.', to='Bundle dryrun reload
is in progress. Waiting for all peers to
return the status.'

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INFO CMMaster - Dry Run Complete

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last_validated_bundle=815D4F439CA468F282164B7E456154E7	
last_bundle_validation_status=success	
last_bundle_checked_for_restart=815D4F439CA468F282164B7E456154E	7
last_check_restart_result=restart required	
restart_required_apply_bundle=0	
status=Up	



#### Rollback Cluster Master – splunkd.log

INFO CMBundleMgr - apply bundle status transitioning from='None', to='Bundle Creation is
in progress.'

INFO CMMaster - Initiating rollback bundle process

INFO CMBundleMgr - Rolling back bundle on the master to previousActive bundle=ED4C6043FBF5345DBDCD3DD304636F9C previousActive bundlePath=/Users/kkolla/Work/instances/master/var/run/splunk/cluster/remotebundle/971e64c31b6bbb0c0e7479cf500e0647-1501714888.bundle

CMMaster - Tracking bundle validation status for peers=F78272B2-24DC-43BD-A402-A101123F2B4F,8A0E551F-227C-48DC-9018-515A63F971E8

INFO CMBundleMgr - setting previousActive bundle=ED4C6043FBF5345DBDCD3DD304636F9C to active bundle=1E704E11131BC274111CD8991E0DE621

INFO CMMaster - Peers have indicated they are reload capable, issuing bundle reload.

INFO CMMaster - Starting a rolling restart of the peers.

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# Keeping Track of Bundles

#### which bundle again?

#### The bundles folder





### **Best Practices**



- 1. Find a reasonable time to do your bundle push
- 2. Do NOT change slave configurations locally
- 3. When in doubt, use "---check-restart"

4. Enable phased bundle downloads for large bundles or large clusters

#### URLs:

https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/Splunk/6.6. 3/Indexer/Managecommonconfigurations

https://docs.splunk.com/Documentation/Splunk/6.6. 3/Indexer/Configurationbundleissues



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