

# CheatSheet: Prometheus

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## 1.1 Prometheus Commands

| Name  | Command   |
|---|---|
| Run prometheus server with docker             | <code>docker run -p 9090:9090 prom/prometheus, http://localhost:9090/graph,</code>  |
| Run cadvisor to get local containers' metrics | <code>docker run -v /var/run:/var/run -v /sys:/sys -p 8080:8080 google/cadvisor,</code>   |
| Query metrics by api, instead of web console  | <code>curl http://localhost:9090/api/v1/query?query=container_memory_usage{instance="localhost:9090"}</code>                              |
| List all alerts of alertmanager               | <code>curl http://localhost:9093/api/v1/alerts</code>   |
| Prometheus tech stack footprint               | prometheus(350MB RAM), node-exporter(10MB), kube-state-metrics(20MB), alertmanager(10MB)  |
| Example of client libraries                   | Link: <a href="#">prometheus-python-example.py</a>  |
| Prometheus Online Demo                        | Live demo from CloudAlchemy   |
| Prometheus Config file                        | <code>/etc/prometheus/prometheus.yml</code> Sections in conf: <code>global</code> , <code>rule_files</code> , <code>scrape_configs</code> |

## 1.2 Prometheus Components

| Name                      | Command   |
|---------------------------|---|
| Prometheus server         | Scrapes and store time series data. It uses mainly pull model, instead of push.                           |
| Special-purpose exporters | Get metrics for all kinds of services. e.g, Node Exporter, Blackbox Exporter, SNMP Exporter, JMX Exporter |
| Client libraries          | Instrument application code.  |
| Alertmanager              | Handle alerts.  |
| Push gateway              | Support short-lived jobs. Persist the most recent push of metrics from batch jobs.                        |
| Reference                 | Link: <a href="#">Exporters And Integrations</a> , Link: <a href="#">Default port allocations</a>         |

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## 1.3 Prometheus Metric Types

| Name      | Command   |
|-----------|---|
| Counter   | It only goes up (and resets), counts something. e.g, the number of requests served, tasks completed, or errors.               |
| Gauge     | It goes up and down, snapshot of state. e.g, temperatures or current memory usage, etc  |
| Summary   | It samples observations, especially over a sliding time window. e.g, <code>rate(http_request_duration_seconds_sum[5m])</code> |
| Histogram | It samples observations and counts them in configurable buckets.  |

## 1.4 Prometheus Concepts

| Name      | Summary  |
|-----------|--|
| Target    | A target is the definition of an object to scrape.                             |
| Job       | A collection of targets with the same purpose.                                 |
| Instance  | A label that uniquely identifies a target in a job.                            |
| Exporter  | Expose metrics from a non-Prometheus format into a format Prometheus supports. |
| Collector | A part of an exporter that represents a set of metrics.                        |
| Handler   |  |
| Rule      |  |

## 1.5 Kubernetes Metrics Targets & Samples

| Name                           | Command   | Sample Metrics                    |
|--------------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| cadvisor                       | <a href="http://\protect\T1\textdollarip:10255/metrics/cadvisor">http://\protect\T1\textdollarip:10255/metrics/cadvisor</a> | Link: <a href="#">cadvisor-sa</a> |
| node-exporter                  | <a href="http://\protect\T1\textdollarip:9100/metrics">http://\protect\T1\textdollarip:9100/metrics</a>                     | Link: <a href="#">node-expor</a>  |
| kubelet                        | <a href="http://\protect\T1\textdollarip:10255/metrics">http://\protect\T1\textdollarip:10255/metrics</a>                   | Link: <a href="#">kubelet-sa</a>  |
| kube-dns                       | <a href="http://\protect\T1\textdollarip:10054/metrics">http://\protect\T1\textdollarip:10054/metrics</a>                   | Link: <a href="#">kube-dns-sa</a> |
| kube-state-metrics http-metric | <a href="http://\protect\T1\textdollarip:8080/metrics">http://\protect\T1\textdollarip:8080/metrics</a>                     | Link: <a href="#">kube-state-</a> |
| kube-state-metrics telemetry   | <a href="http://\protect\T1\textdollarip:8081/metrics">http://\protect\T1\textdollarip:8081/metrics</a>                     | Link: <a href="#">kube-state-</a> |
| apiserver                      | <a href="https://\protect\T1\textdollarapi_server:443/metrics">https://\protect\T1\textdollarapi_server:443/metrics</a>     |                                   |

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## 1.6 Prometheus PromQL Query

| Name   | Command   |
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| Reference  | Link: <a href="#">query</a>   |
| Find metric by name+job+group                                  | <code>somemetric{job="prometheus",group="canary"}</code>              |
| The avg network traffic received per second, over the last min | <code>rate(apiserver_request_count{verb="GET",code="200"}[1m])</code> |
| topk query   | <code>rate(node_network_receive_bytes_total[1m])</code>               |
| join   | Link: <a href="#">query-topk.txt</a>                                  |
| cut  |   |
| slice  |   |
| count  |   |
| predict  |   |
| sum  |   |
| min  |   |
| max  |   |
| avg  |   |

## 1.7 Prometheus Alerts

| Name   | Command |
|--|---------|
| How full will the disks be in 4 hours?               |         |
| Which services are the top 5 users of CPU?           |         |
| What's the 95th percentile latency in EU datacenter? |         |

## 1.8 More Resources

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<https://prometheus.io/>

<https://povilasv.me/prometheus-tracking-request-duration/>