

DAY 6:

Prometheus

Prometheus is an open-source system monitoring and alerting toolkit originally built at SoundCloud. It is now a standalone open source project . Prometheus joined the Cloud Native Computing Foundation in 2016 as the second hosted project, after Kubernetes.

Prometheus Architecture

Prometheus Server – Collects and stores metrics.

Pushgateway – Receives metrics from short-lived jobs.

Exporters – Agents that expose metrics (e.g., Node Exporter for system stats).

Alertmanager – Handles alerts based on defined rules

Grafana (Optional) – For visualization.

Common Prometheus Commands

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sh
CopyEdit
prometheus --config.file=prometheus.yml
curl http://localhost:9090/metrics
promtool check config prometheus.yml
promtool query instant up
```

Common Prometheus Use Cases

- Monitoring Kubernetes clusters
- Tracking system health (CPU, RAM, disk, network)
- Alerting on performance issues
- Logging API response times
- Monitoring microservices

Features

1. a multi-dimensional data model with time series data identified by metric name and key/value pairs

2. PromQL, a flexible query language to leverage this dimensionality
3. no reliance on distributed storage; single server nodes are autonomous
4. time series collection happens via a pull model over HTTP
5. pushing time series is supported via an intermediary gateway
6. targets are discovered via service discovery or static configuration
7. multiple modes of graphing and dashboarding support

PROMETHEUS INSTALLATION:

```
sudo useradd \
```

```
--system \
```

```
--no-create-home \
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```
--shell /bin/false prometheus
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```
wget
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```
https://github.com/prometheus/prometheus/releases/download/v2.47.1/prometheus-2.47.1.linux-amd64.tar.gz
```

```
tar -xvf prometheus-2.47.1.linux-amd64.tar.gz
```

```
sudo mkdir -p /data /etc/prometheus
```

```
cd prometheus-2.47.1.linux-amd64/
```

```
sudo mv prometheus promtool /usr/local/bin/
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sudo mv consoles/ console_ libraries/ /etc/prometheus/
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sudo mv prometheus.yml /etc/prometheus/prometheus.yml
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sudo chown -R prometheus:prometheus /etc/prometheus/ /data/
```

```
[12:00 PM, 3/22/2025] +91 90928 13114: cd
```

```
rm -rf prometheus-2.47.1.linux-amd64.tar.gz
```

```
prometheus --version
```

```
sudo vim /etc/systemd/system/prometheus.service
```

```
[12:09 PM, 3/22/2025] +91 90928 13114: [Unit]
```

Description=Prometheus

Wants=network-online.target

After=network-online.target

StartLimitIntervalSec=500

StartLimitBurst=5

[Service]

User=prometheus

Group=prometheus

Type=simple

Restart=on-failure

RestartSec=5s

**ExecStart=/usr/local/bin/prometheus **

**--config.file=/etc/prometheus/prometheus.yml **

**--storage.tsdb.path=/data **

**--web.console.templates=/etc/prometheus/consoles **

**--web.console.libraries=/etc/prometheus/console_libraries **

**--web.listen-address=0.0.0.0:9090 **

--web.enable-lifecycle

[Install]

WantedBy=multi-user.target

sudo systemctl enable prometheus

sudo systemctl start prometheus

sudo systemctl status prometheus

journalctl -u prometheus -f --no-pager

**sudo useradd **

**--system **

**--no-create-home **

--shell /bin/false node_exporter

wget

https://github.com/prometheus/node_exporter/releases/download/v1.6.1/node_exporter-1.6.1.linux-amd64.tar.gz

tar -xvf node_exporter-1.6.1.linux-amd64.tar.gz

**sudo mv **

**node_exporter-1.6.1.linux-amd64/node_exporter **

/usr/local/bin/

rm -rf node_exporter*

node_exporter --version

sudo vim /etc/systemd/system/node_exporter.service

Description=Node Exporter

Wants=network-online.target

After=network-online.target

StartLimitIntervalSec=500

StartLimitBurst=5

[Service]

User=node_exporter

Group=node_exporter

Type=simple

Restart=on-failure

RestartSec=5s

**ExecStart=/usr/local/bin/node_exporter **

--collector.logind

[Install]

WantedBy=multi-user.target

sudo systemctl enable node_exporter

sudo systemctl start node_exporter

sudo systemctl status node_exporter

journalctl -u node_exporter -f --no-pager

- job_name: 'jenkins'

metrics_path: '/prometheus'

static_configs:

**- targets: ['<jenkins-ip>:8080promtool check config
/etc/prometheus/prometheus.yml**

curl -X POST http://localhost:9090/-/reload

sudo apt-get install -y apt-transport-https software-properties-common

wget -q -O - https://packages.grafana.com/gpg.key | sudo apt-key add -

**echo "deb https://packages.grafana.com/oss/deb stable main" | sudo tee -a
/etc/apt/sources.list.d/grafana.list**

sudo apt-get update

sudo apt-get -y install grafana

sudo systemctl enable grafana-server

sudo systemctl start grafana-server

sudo systemctl status grafana-server

Targets

All scrape pools • All Unhealthy Collapse All Filter by endpoint or labels

jenkins (0/1 up) [Show logs](#)

| Endpoint | State | Labels | Last Scrape | Scrape Duration | Error |
|---|-------|---|-------------|-----------------|---|
| http://localhost:8080/prometheus | DOWN | instance="localhost:8080" job="jenkins" | 10.328s ago | 6.263ms | server returned HTTP status 403 Forbidden |

node_export (1/1 up) [Show logs](#)

| Endpoint | State | Labels | Last Scrape | Scrape Duration | Error |
|---|-------|---|-------------|-----------------|-------|
| http://localhost:9100/metrics | UP | instance="localhost:9100" job="node_export" | 14.471s ago | 37.463ms | |

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| Endpoint | State | Labels | Last Scrape | Scrape Duration | Error |
|---|-------|--|-------------|-----------------|-------|
| http://localhost:9090/metrics | UP | instance="localhost:9090" job="prometheus" | 7.889s ago | 4.954ms | |

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prometheus_id_innode_failures_total 0
# HELP prometheus_id_innode_failures_total Number of innode service discovery refresh failures.
# TYPE prometheus_id_innode_failures_total counter
prometheus_id_innode_failures_total 0
# HELP prometheus_id_received_updates_total Total number of update events received from the SD providers.
# TYPE prometheus_id_received_updates_total counter
prometheus_id_received_updates_total 0
# HELP prometheus_id_received_updates_total{name="scrape"} 0
# TYPE prometheus_id_received_updates_total{name="scrape"} gauge
prometheus_id_updates_total 0
# HELP prometheus_id_updates_total Total number of update events sent to the SD consumers.
# TYPE prometheus_id_updates_total counter
prometheus_id_updates_total 0
# HELP prometheus_target_interval_length_seconds Actual intervals between scrapes.
# TYPE prometheus_target_interval_length_seconds summary
prometheus_target_interval_length_seconds{interval="15s",quantile="0.05"} 14.99213797
prometheus_target_interval_length_seconds{interval="15s",quantile="0.5"} 14.9995156
prometheus_target_interval_length_seconds{interval="15s",quantile="0.95"} 15.00144457
prometheus_target_interval_length_seconds{interval="15s",quantile="0.99"} 15.003774858
prometheus_target_interval_length_seconds_sum{interval="15s"} 16888.0248063979
prometheus_target_interval_length_seconds_count{interval="15s"} 1872
# HELP prometheus_target_metadata_cache_bytes The number of bytes that are currently used for storing metric metadata in the cache
# TYPE prometheus_target_metadata_cache_bytes gauge
prometheus_target_metadata_cache_bytes{scrape_job="jenkins"} 0
prometheus_target_metadata_cache_bytes{scrape_job="node_export"} 16689
prometheus_target_metadata_cache_bytes{scrape_job="prometheus"} 11205
# HELP prometheus_target_metadata_cache_entries Total number of metric metadata entries in the cache
# TYPE prometheus_target_metadata_cache_entries gauge
prometheus_target_metadata_cache_entries{scrape_job="jenkins"} 0
prometheus_target_metadata_cache_entries{scrape_job="node_export"} 313
prometheus_target_metadata_cache_entries{scrape_job="prometheus"} 183
# HELP prometheus_target_scrape_pool_exceeded_label_limits_total Total number of times scrape pools hit the label limits, during sync or config reload.
# TYPE prometheus_target_scrape_pool_exceeded_label_limits_total counter
prometheus_target_scrape_pool_exceeded_label_limits_total 0
# HELP prometheus_target_scrape_pool_exceeded_target_limit_total Total number of times scrape pools hit the target limit, during sync or config reload.
# TYPE prometheus_target_scrape_pool_exceeded_target_limit_total counter
prometheus_target_scrape_pool_exceeded_target_limit_total 0
# HELP prometheus_target_scrape_pool_reloads_failed_total Total number of failed scrape pool reloads.
# TYPE prometheus_target_scrape_pool_reloads_failed_total counter
prometheus_target_scrape_pool_reloads_failed_total 0
# HELP prometheus_target_scrape_pool_reloads_total Total number of scrape pool reloads.
# TYPE prometheus_target_scrape_pool_reloads_total counter
prometheus_target_scrape_pool_reloads_total 0
# HELP prometheus_target_scrape_pool_sync_total Total number of syncs that were executed on a scrape pool.
# TYPE prometheus_target_scrape_pool_sync_total counter
prometheus_target_scrape_pool_sync_total{scrape_job="jenkins"} 1
prometheus_target_scrape_pool_sync_total{scrape_job="node_export"} 1
prometheus_target_scrape_pool_sync_total{scrape_job="prometheus"} 2
# HELP prometheus_target_scrape_pool_target_limit Maximum number of targets allowed in this scrape pool.
# TYPE prometheus_target_scrape_pool_target_limit gauge
prometheus_target_scrape_pool_target_limit{scrape_job="jenkins"} 0
prometheus_target_scrape_pool_target_limit{scrape_job="node_export"} 0
prometheus_target_scrape_pool_target_limit{scrape_job="prometheus"} 0
# TYPE prometheus_target_scrape_pool_targets gauge
prometheus_target_scrape_pool_targets{scrape_job="jenkins"} 1
prometheus_target_scrape_pool_targets{scrape_job="node_export"} 1
prometheus_target_scrape_pool_targets{scrape_job="prometheus"} 1
# HELP prometheus_target_scrape_pools_failed_total Total number of scrape pool creations that failed.
# TYPE prometheus_target_scrape_pools_failed_total counter
prometheus_target_scrape_pools_failed_total 0
# HELP prometheus_target_scrape_pools_total Total number of scrape pool creation attempts.

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QUERY:

rate(node_cpu_seconds_total{mode="system"}[1m])

node_cpu_seconds_total: This metric represents the total CPU time spent in different modes (user, system, idle, etc.).

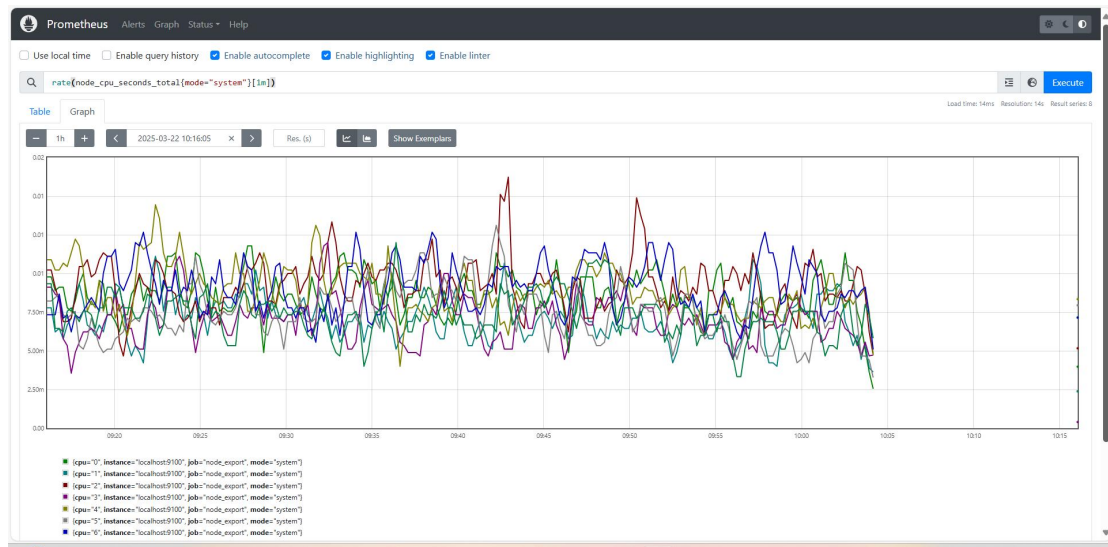
mode="system": Filters only CPU time spent in **system/kernel mode**.

rate(...[1m]): Calculates the **per-second increase** of this metric over the last **1 minute**.

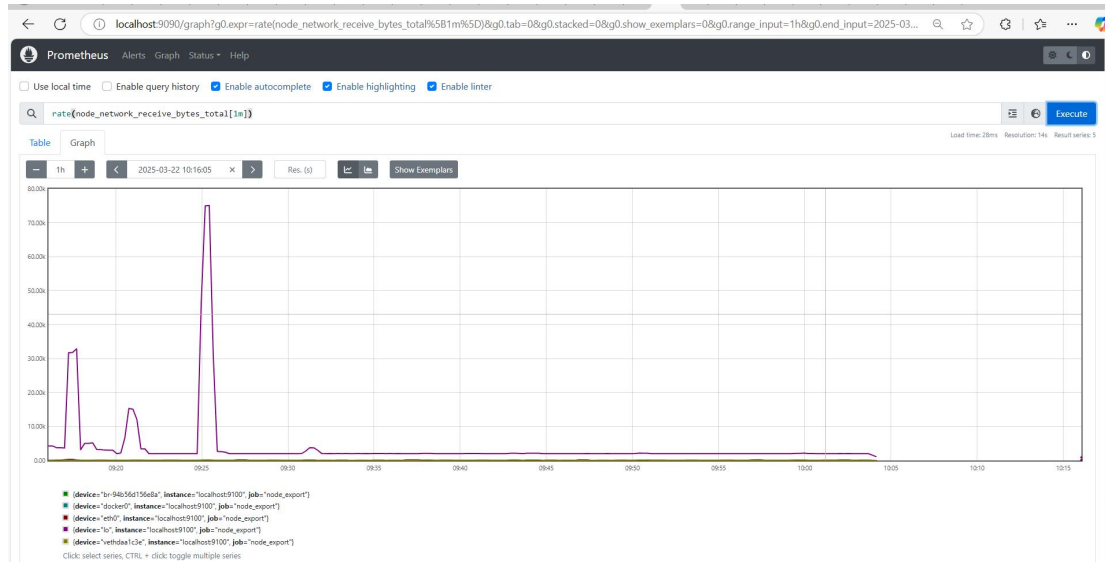
What it does:

This query shows the **CPU usage in system mode per second** over the past 1 minute.

Useful for detecting high system resource consumption by kernel processes.



`rate(node_network_receive_bytes_total[1m])`



node_load15

