

# Observability in a Quarkus Application

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# Agenda

- Observability Concepts
- Metrics
- Tracing
- Logging
- Setup Quarkus and observability on Openshift
- Conclusion

# Observability

- Aims to provide an holistic view of a system's behavior.
- Directed to complex environments.
- Works best when there's collaboration between developers and devOps.

System relying on many services require automation at all levels...

... You cannot control what you cannot “see”.

# Observability

Measure of how well internal states of a system can be inferred from knowledge of its external outputs. The observability and controllability of a linear system are mathematical duals.

# Observability

...for a software system is its “capability to allow a human to ask and answer questions”. According to Bryan Cantrill.

## Traditional Monitoring vs. Observability

	<b>Application Monitoring</b>	<b>Observability</b>
Focus	Predefined metrics to maximize health and availability	Complete understanding of the system's internal state.
Analysis and Troubleshooting	Reactive.	Proactive.
Complexity Handling	Limited visibility into interconnected components	Handles complexity and distributed systems. Data can be correlated with traces



# Observability Concepts



**Signal**



**Alerting**



**Visualisation**

**Metrics**



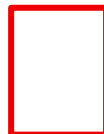
**Logs**



**Traces**



**Others...**

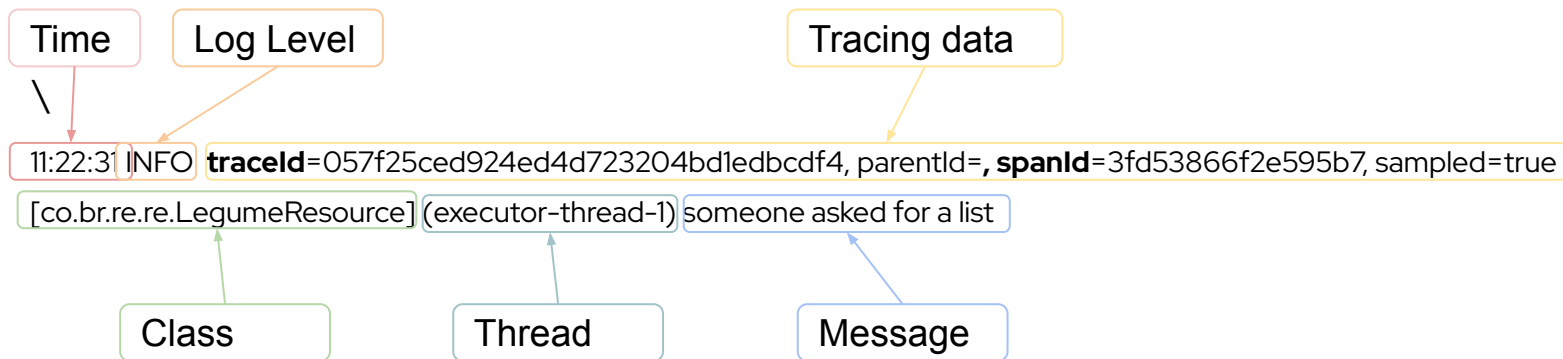


# Logging

A log entry is an event.

It contains an occurrence that happened in the system.

Quarkus devmode plain text example:



# Logging

- ▶ Centralized logging. ELK, OpenTelemetry
- ▶ Has context in every log event
- ▶ JSON format in prod. for smart search
- ▶ Proper log levels that you want to see:
  - ERROR: Execution is aborted;
  - WARN: Something wrong, but execution can continue;
  - INFO: Validate proper execution;
- ▶ Log system and job boundaries
- ▶ Too much log will harm you

# Metrics

- ▶ Metrics are produced with constant cadence.
- ▶ Data grows linearly with time.
- ▶ Quantitative data
- ▶ Capture key indicators
- ▶ Are the foundation for understanding trends, identifying anomalies, and finding performance benchmarks.
- ▶ Base for Service-level agreements (SLAs).

# Tracing

- ▶ End-to-end view of the flow of requests and transactions within a distributed system.
- ▶ Highlights latency and dependencies.
- ▶ Identifies performance bottlenecks and root causes.
- ▶ It's the glue

## Combined analysis example

By correlating logs, metrics, and traces, we can form a comprehensive understanding of faults and root causes.

Case by case, not just from past experiences



QUARKUS

# Observability in Quarkus

- ▶ Multi framework approach.
- ▶ Preferred output with OpenTelemetry (OTLP)



# Observability in Quarkus

- ▶ Signal output convergence with OTel's OTLP protocol.
- ▶ Logs
  - Quarkus uses JBoss Log Manager + JBoss Logging facade.
  - Adapters for commons-logging, Log4j, Log4j2, Slf4j, etc...
  - In the future you'll be able to send to OTel Logging.
- ▶ Metrics
  - Micrometer. Default output in prometheus format, OTLP available.
- ▶ Tracing
  - OpenTelemetry Tracing

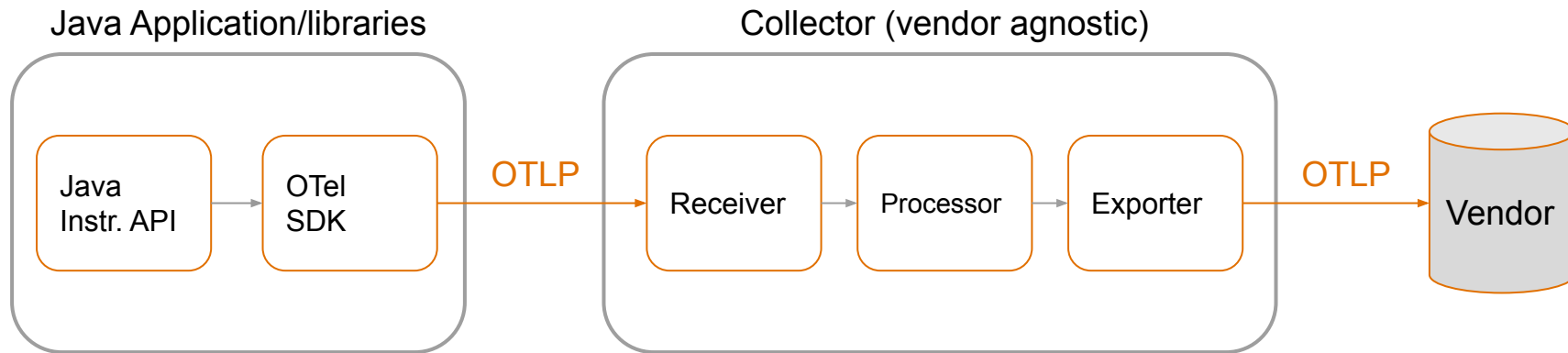
# OpenTelemetry

- ▶ Software and tools
- ▶ Set of Specifications, protocols, formats, APIs and libraries
- ▶ Client side only
- ▶ It's not:
  - Data Ingestion
  - An Observability backend like Jaeger
  - Storage

# OpenTelemetry Components

- **opentelemetry-specification**
  - API (baggage, traces, metrics, logs, etc...)
  - SDK
  - Semantic conventions
  - Data: The OpenTelemetry protocol (OTLP)
- Java Implementation projects
  - **opentelemetry-java**: API, SDK, extensions and the OpenTracing shim.
  - **opentelemetry-java-instrumentation**: The instrumentation API, the Java Agent and the instrumentation libraries.
  - Others like Contrib and Docs
- **opentelemetry-collector** (reference implementation)

# OpenTelemetry Components



# JSON logs in Quarkus

## pom.xml

```
<dependency>  
  <groupId>io.quarkus</groupId>  
  <artifactId>quarkus-logging-json</artifactId>  
</dependency>
```

## application.properties

```
quarkus.log.console.format=%d{HH:mm:ss} %-5p traceId=%X{traceId},  
parentId=%X{parentId}, spanId=%X{spanId}, sampled=%X{sampled} [%c{2.}]  
(%t) %s%n  
  
%dev.quarkus.log.console.json=false  
  
%test.quarkus.log.console.json=false
```

# Micrometer through OTLP in Quarkus

## **pom.xml**

```
<dependency>  
  <groupId>io.quarkiverse.micrometer.registry</groupId>  
  <artifactId>quarkus-micrometer-registry-otlp</artifactId>  
  <version>${quarkus-micrometer-registry-otlp.version}</version>  
</dependency>
```

## **application.properties**

```
quarkus.micrometer.export.otlp.url=http://localhost:4318/v1/metrics
```

# OpenTelemetry Tracing in Quarkus

## **pom.xml**

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<dependency>  
  <groupId>io.quarkus</groupId>  
  <artifactId>quarkus-opentelemetry</artifactId>  
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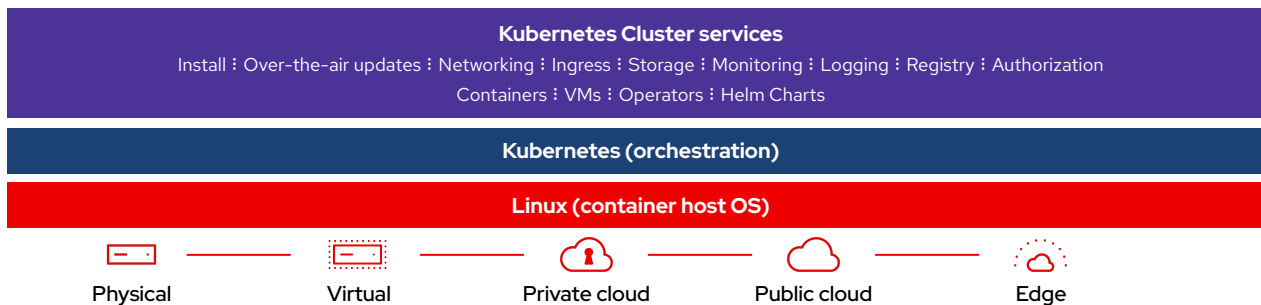
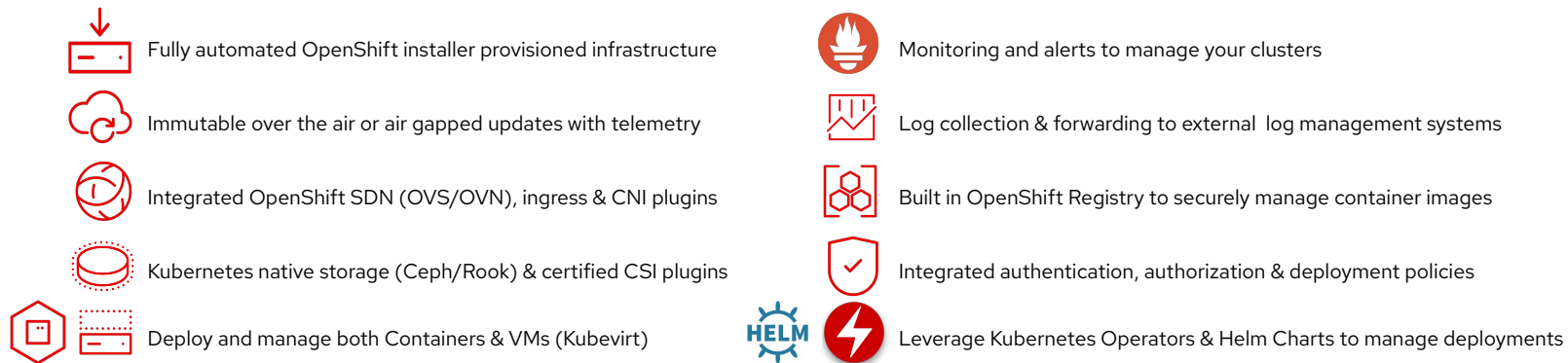
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quarkus.opentelemetry.tracer.exporter.otlp.endpoint=http://localhost:4317
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**OPENSIFT**



# OpenShift enables enterprise ready containers



## What is OpenShift

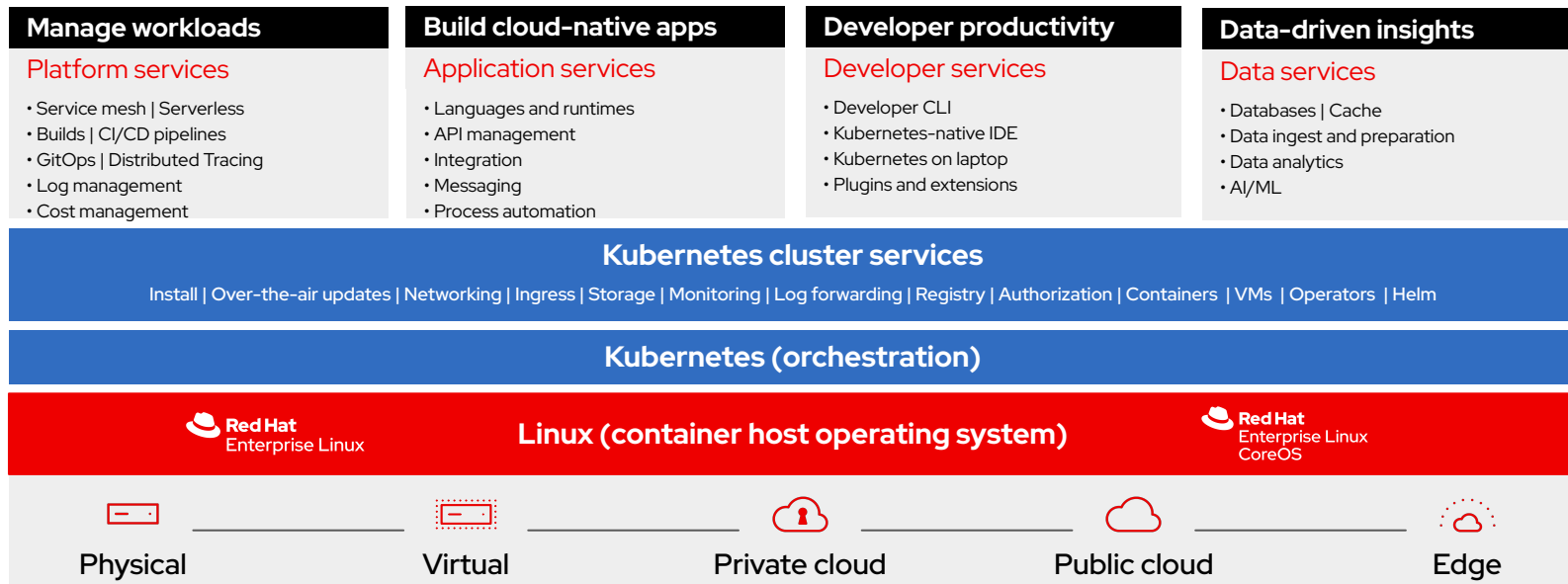


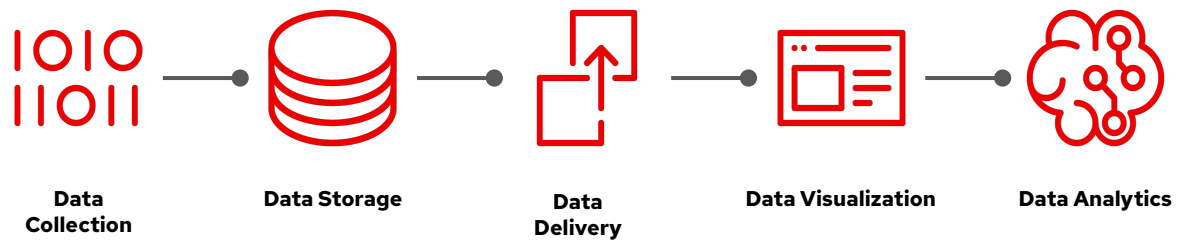
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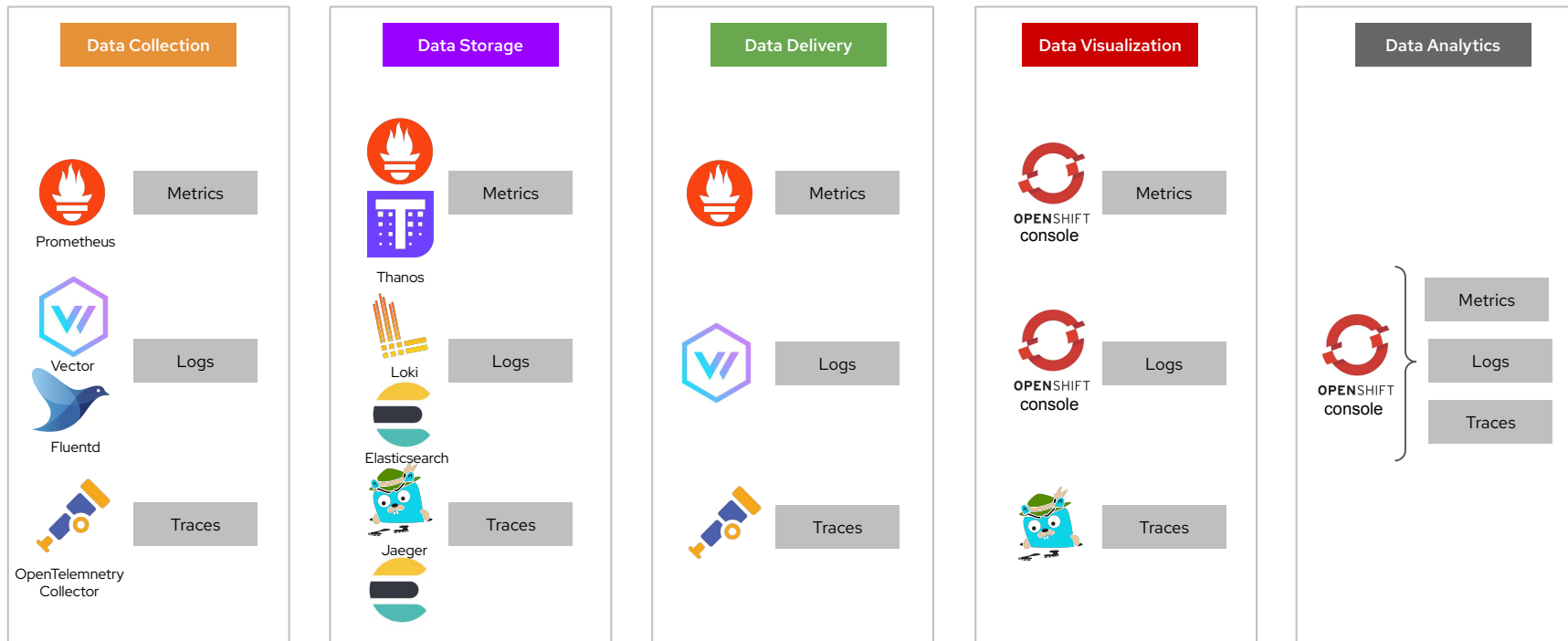




# OpenShift Observability

## Logical Architecture

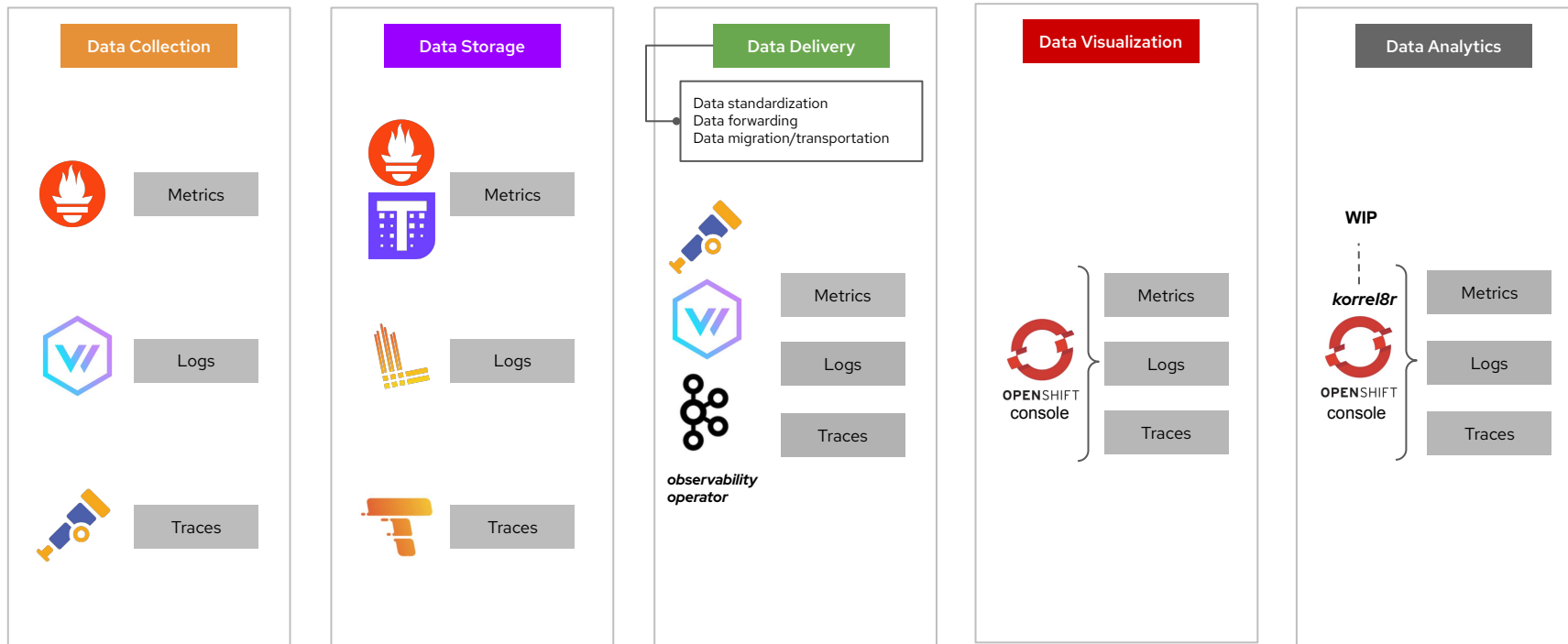
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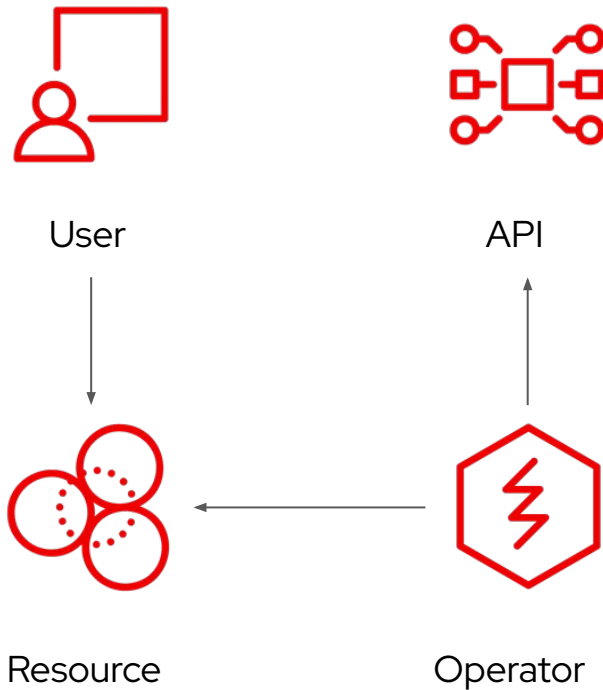
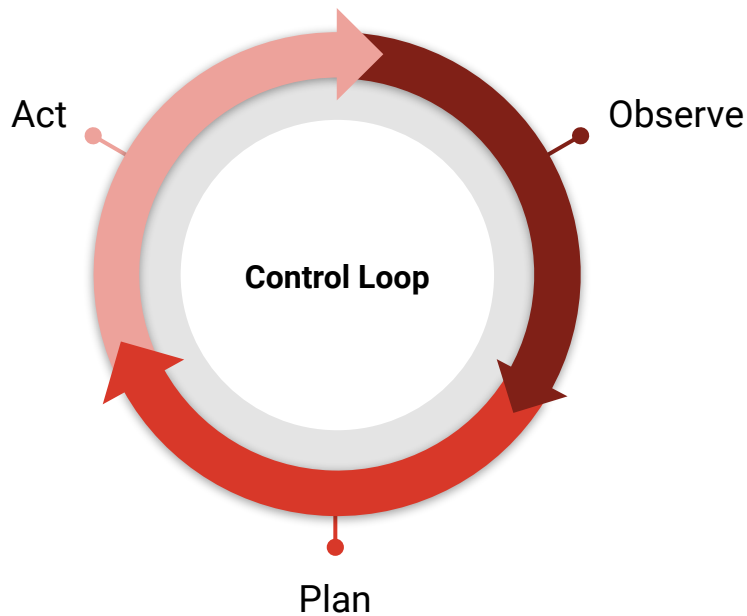
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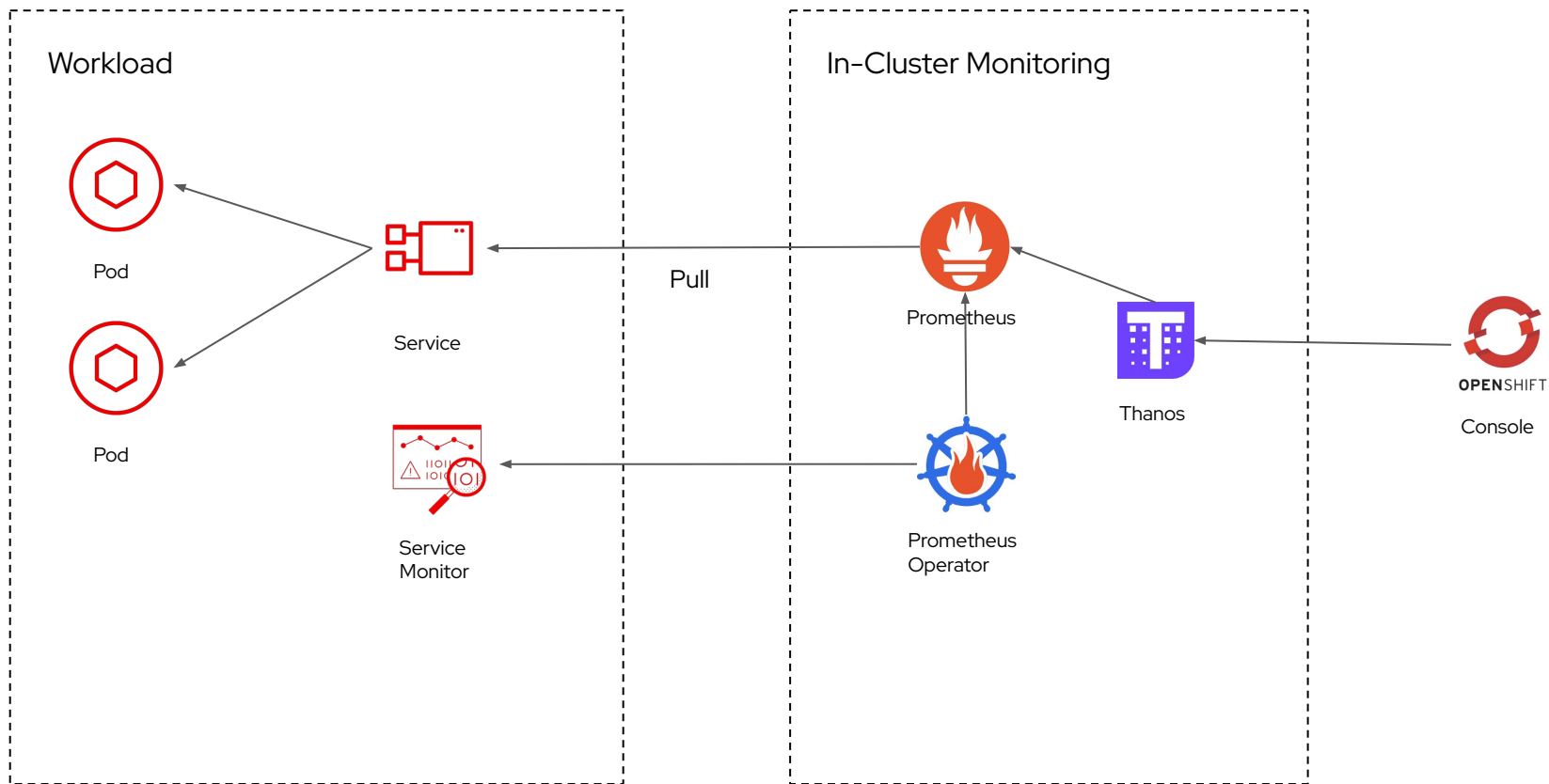
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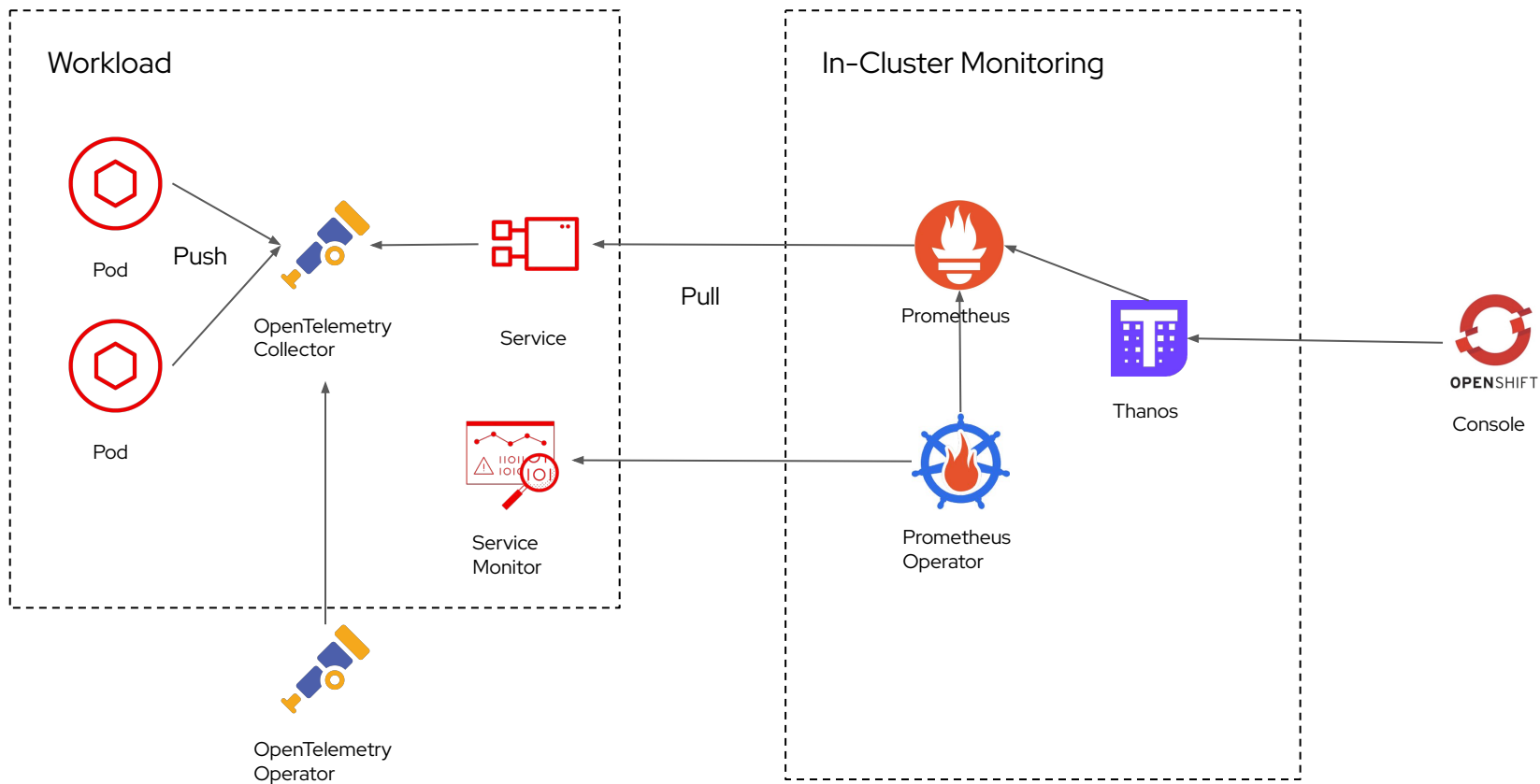
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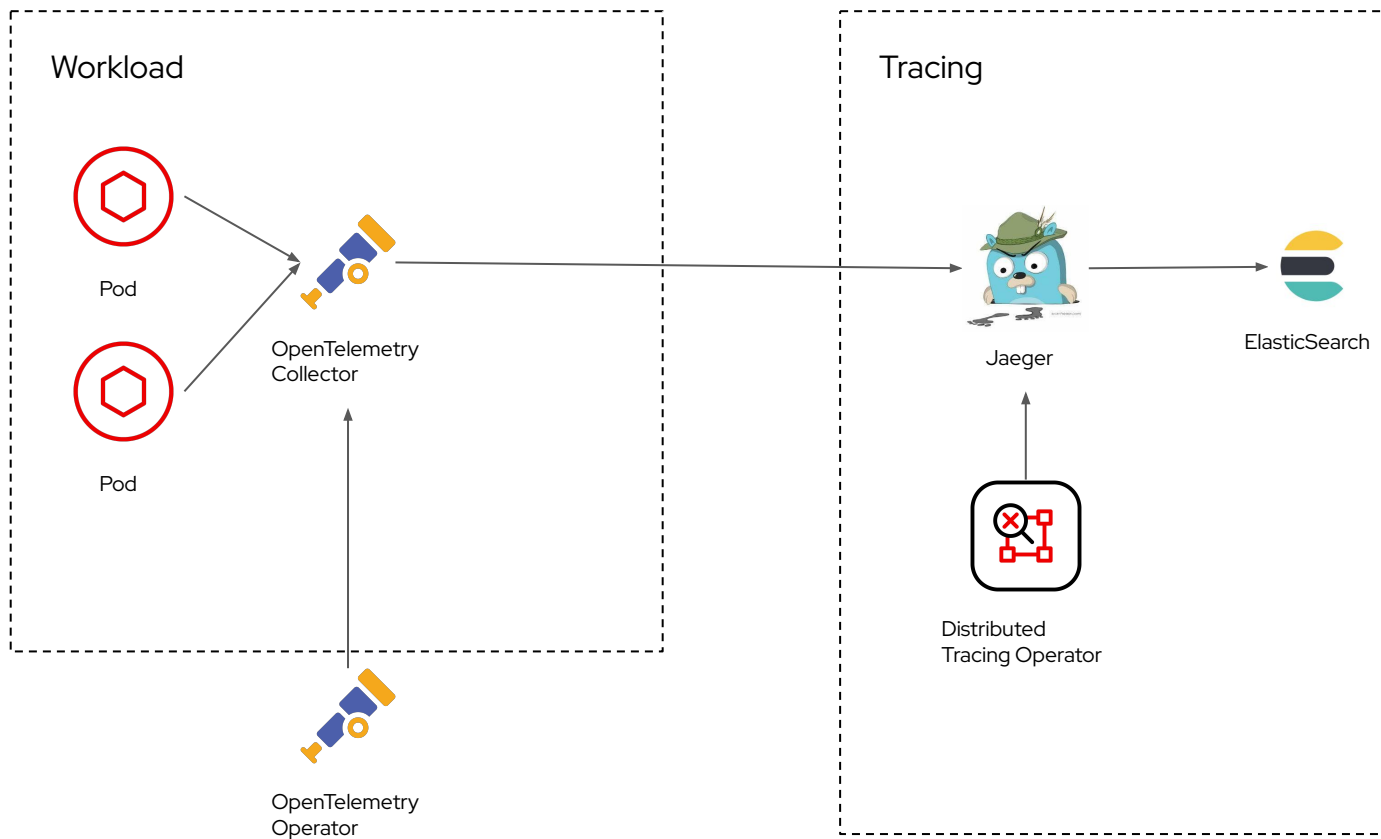


**TLDR:** "Operators are Software SRE's"









# Infra

Setup observability infrastructure and metric collection

# Build

Build Quarkus application with traces and metrics generation

# Deploy

Deploy Quarkus application to Openshift Cluster

## Infrastructure

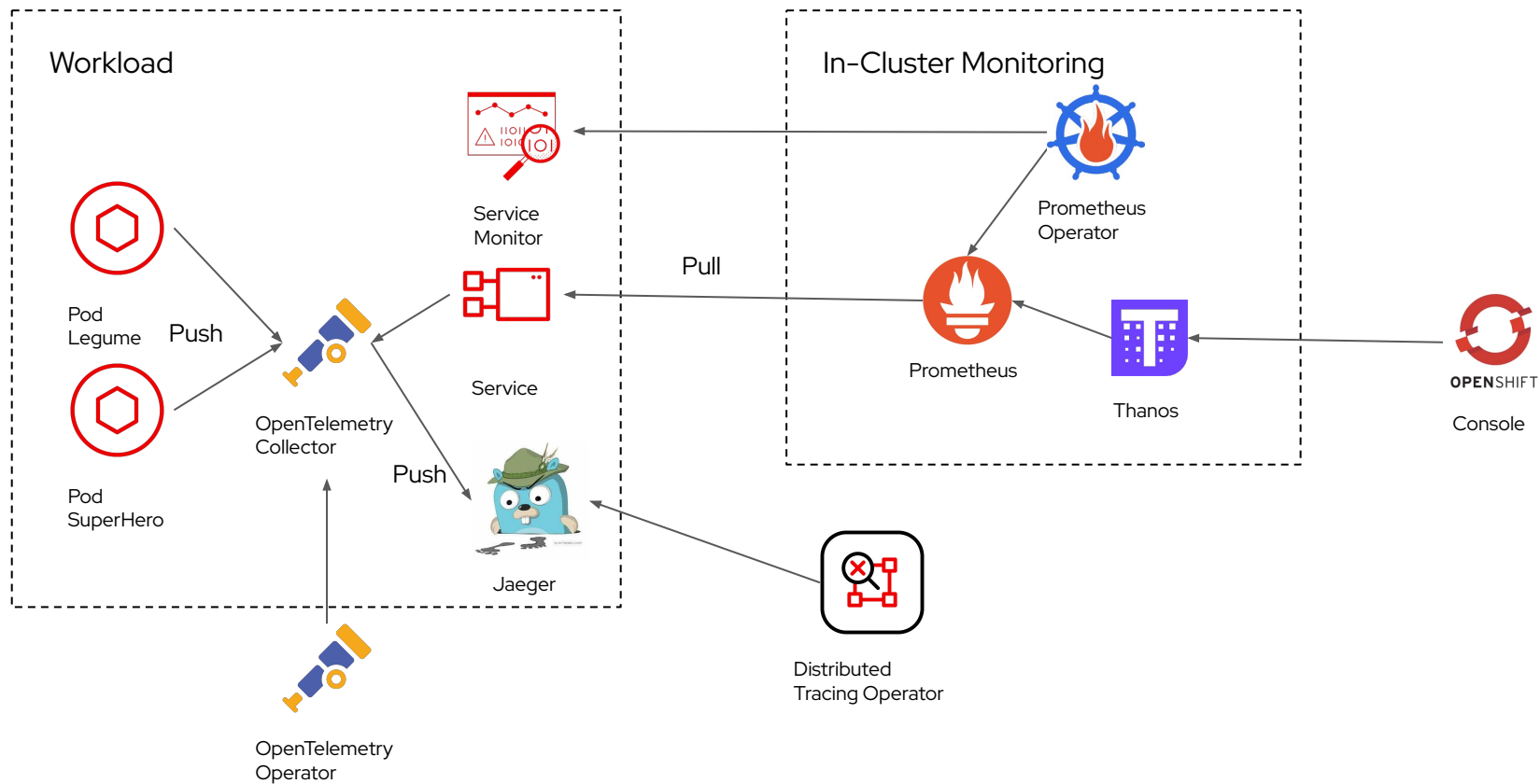
Observability  
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Metric collection

## Build

Quarkus Application  
Exporting Trace & Metrics

## Deployment

Quarkus application on  
Openshift Cluster





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Demo Code:

<https://github.com/brunobat/quarkus-observability-demo/tree/main/quarkus-observability-demo-full>



# Observability

Infer internal state from external signals  
Signals: Trace, Metric and Log

## Quarkus

Instrument Quarkus application  
OpenTelemetry Collector

## Openshift

Observability infrastructure & application integration



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<https://openfeedback.io/VWEMZHoBj0mPrdZ9Isso>



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