# Jaeger: The Future with OpenTelemetry and Metrics

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### Agenda

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# Why Distributed Tracing?

#### **Microservices Architectures**

63% of enterprises are using Microservices most often managed by different teams.

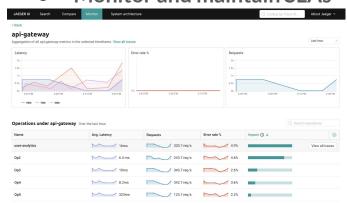
When things break or are slow, how do you find the right team to help resolve the

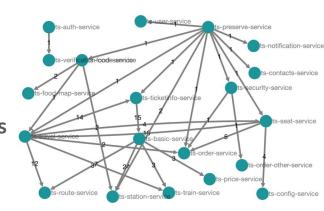
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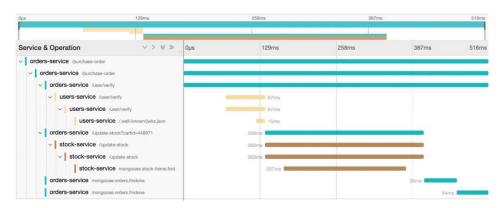


#### **Benefits of Distributed Tracing**

- Root cause analysis
- Build a service map of relationships and dependencies
- Measure and drill into specific user actions
- Collaborate across teams
- Monitor and maintain SLAs

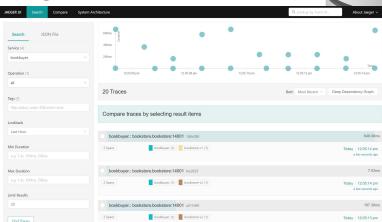






## **Tracing Tools**

- Instrumentation
- Data Collection
- Storage & Analysis & Visualization





# Intro to Jaeger and demo

### **OpenTelemetry Semantics**

**Trace** represents an end-to-end request (and response); made up of single or multiple **Spans** 

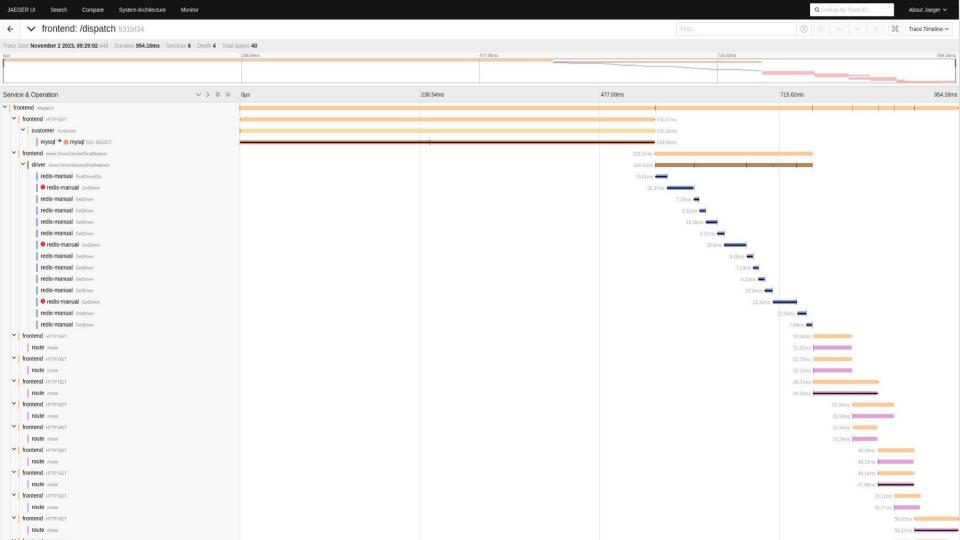
**Span** represents work done by a single-service or component with time intervals and associated metadata such as **Tags** 

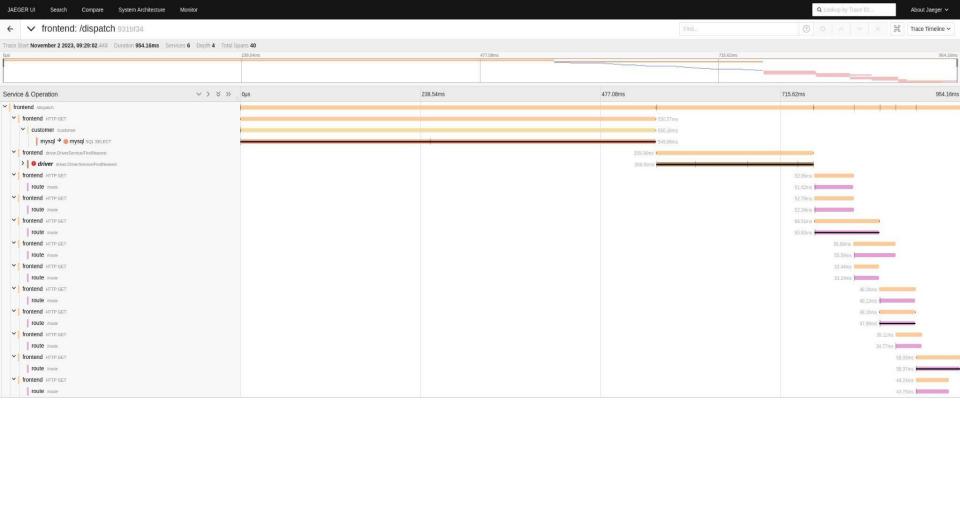
Tags/Attributes contain metadata to help contextualize a span

## Relationships in tracing

```
Causal relationships between Spans in a single Trace
       [Span A] ←←(the root span)
 [Span B] [Span C] ←←(Span C is a `ChildOf` Span A)
 [Span D]
          [Span E] [Span F] >>> [Span G] >>> [Span H]
                       (Span G `FollowsFrom` Span F)
```

Measure errors, latency, and other indicators across each span





# New Monitoring tab and Prometheus support in Jaeger

#### **Tracing and Monitoring**

- Moving Jaeger from "distributed tracing" towards APM
  - Traces / Events
  - Metrics
- Additional use cases
  - Operational Monitoring
  - Operational Alerting
  - Change Planning

### **SpanMetrics Connector Flow**

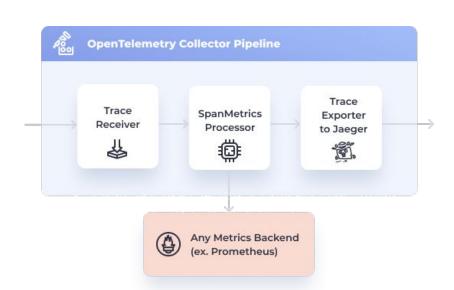


Prometheus handles all metrics use cases (monitor, alert, plan) So can many other metrics platforms...



OpenTelemetry to derive aggregated metrics from traces

**SpanMetrics Connector** 



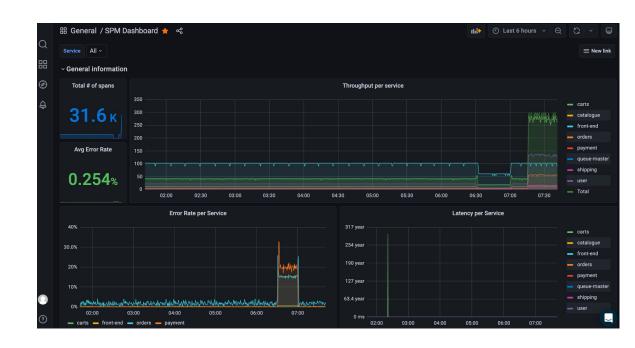
## SpanMetrics Connector in OpenTelemetry

```
connectors:
 spanmetrics:
    exemplars:
      enabled: true
service:
 pipelines:
    traces:
      receivers: [otlp]
     exporters: [otlp/traces, spanmetrics]
    metrics:
      receivers: [spanmetrics]
      exporters: [otlphttp/metrics] #export data to Prometheus
```

#### **Using Prometheus Metrics in Grafana**

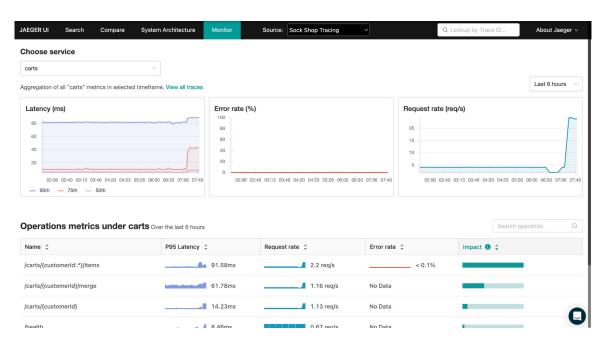
MetricQuery service in Jaeger to query metric backends.

- Any promql compatible backend (ex: Prometheus, Cortex, Thanos, M3DB, and Mimir)
- Community can add other metric systems as needed



### Using Prometheus Metrics inside Jaeger UI

 New "monitor" homepage in Jaeger to provide status and health of transactions



# Pipelines with Jaeger and OpenTelemetry

#### OTel Collector + OTel Clients + Jaeger

- OTel Supports Jaeger ingestion protocols
  - Agent (legacy)
    - thrift compact (6831)
    - thrift binary (6832)
  - Collector
    - protobuf/gRPC (14250)
    - thrift over HTTP (14268)
- Jaeger remote sampler extension (HTTP 5778, 14250 gRPC)
- Can also write to Kafka in supported Jaeger formats

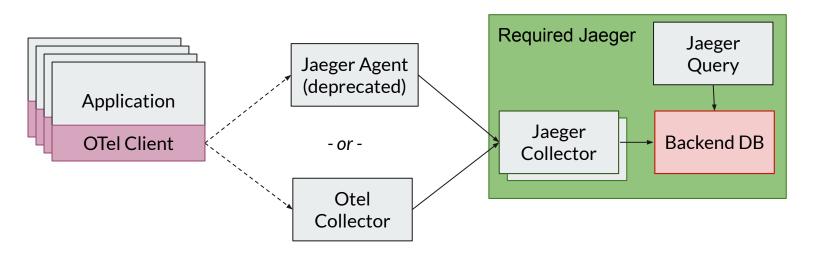
#### **OTel Processors**

```
processors:
 redaction:
   # allow_all_keys is a flag which when set to true, which can disabl
   # allowed keys list. The list of blocked values is applied regardle
   # you just want to block values, set this to true.
   allow all keys: false
   # allowed_keys is a list of span attribute keys that are allowed to
   # through. The list is designed to fail closed. If allowed_keys is
   # no span attributes are allowed and all span attributes are remove
   # allow all keys, set allow_all_keys to true. To allow the span att
   # you know are good, add them to the list.
   allowed keys:
     - description
      - group
      - id
      - name
   # blocked_values is a list of regular expressions for blocking valu
   # allowed span attributes. Values that match are masked
   blocked values:
     - "4[0-9]{12}(?:[0-9]{3})?" ## Visa credit card number
     - "(5[1-5][0-9]{14})"
                                  ## MasterCard number
```

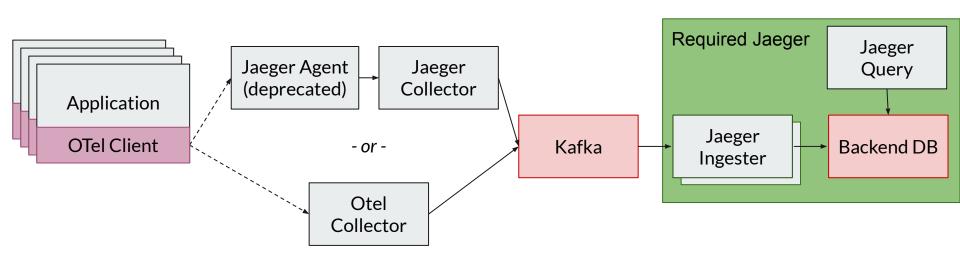
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https://github.com/open-telemetry/opentelemetry-collector-contrib/tree/main/processor

#### Without Queueing



#### With Queueing



## Jaeger operator

"operates" Jaeger on Kubernetes

#### **Getting Started**

- jaegertracing.io/docs/latest/operator
- Storage schema creation
- Jaeger upgrades
- Auto recognizes available APIs OpenShift/Kubernetes, ES/Strimzi
- Can generate plain Kubernetes manifest files



#### Jaeger CRD

CRD - Custom Resource Definition

```
apiVersion: jaegertracing.io/v1
kind: Jaeger
metadata:
  name: jaeger-cluster
spec:
  strategy: allInOne | production | streaming

  storage:
    type: memory|elasticsearch|cassandra|badger|grpc-plugin|kafka
```

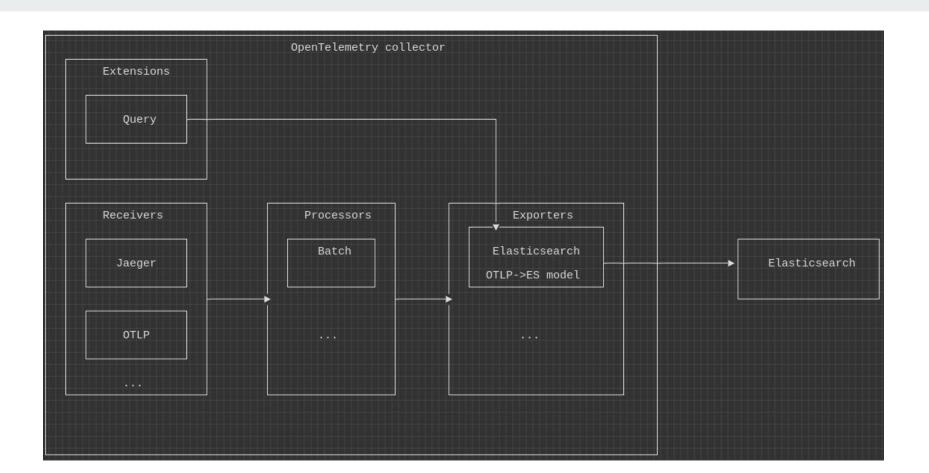
kubectl get jaegers

#### Jager agent sidecar injection

- Jaeger agent has been deprecated in Jaeger 1.50.
  - it will be removed in ~April/May 2024

- Use OpenTelemetry operator!
  - Jaeger receiver \*gRPC, Thrift binary/compact/HTTP)

# Jaeger v2 based on OpenTelemetry collector

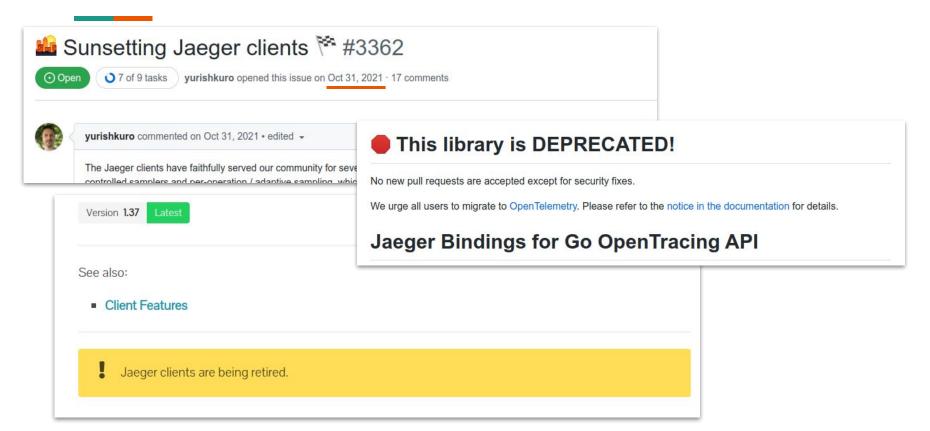


## **V2 Configuration**

```
service:
 extensions: [jaeger_storage, jaeger_query]
 pipelines:
    traces:
      receivers: [otlp, jaeger, zipkin]
      processors: [batch]
      exporters: [jaeger_storage_exporter]
extensions:
 jaeger_query:
    trace_storage: memstore
  jaeger_storage:
   memory:
      memstore:
       max_traces: 100000
exporters:
 jaeger_storage_exporter:
    trace_storage: memstore
```

# OpenTelemetry (auto) instrumentation

#### Deprecated Clients & Jaeger agent



### Wide Language Support (OpenTracing Shim)



https://opentelemetry.io/docs/migration/opentracing/

#### **Environment Variable Based Config**

JAEGER\_SERVICE\_NAME
JAEGER\_TAGS

JAEGER\_AGENT\_HOST

JAEGER\_SAMPLER\_TYPE
JAEGER\_SAMPLER\_PARAM
JAEGER\_PROPAGATION

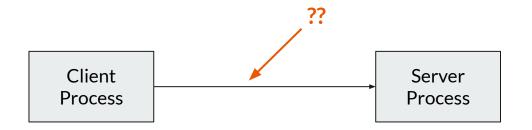
OTEL\_SERVICE\_NAME
OTEL\_RESOURCE\_ATTRIBUTES

OTEL\_TRACES\_EXPORTER

OTEL\_TRACES\_SAMPLER
OTEL\_TRACES\_SAMPLER\_ARG
OTEL\_PROPAGATORS

https://opentelemetry.io/docs/reference/specification/sdk-environment-variables/

#### **Trace Propagation**



#### OTEL\_PROPAGATORS

**default:** tracecontext,baggage (w3c)

supported: jaeger, b3, b3multi

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#### (Auto) Instrumentation

#### Auto!

- Java
- Python
- .NET
- Node.JS

#### **Less Auto!**

- Go
   eBPF auto-inst
- Ruby
   minor global code change
- C++, PHP, Rust...

https://opentelemetry.io/docs/instrumentation/

# New Key Features Since Kubecon Europe + Roadmap

#### **Other New Features**



- OTLP ingestion is enabled by default
  - OpenTelemetry collector removed support for Jaeger exporter
- Support for spanmetrics connector
- Jaeger V2 based on OpenTelemetry collector
- Jaeger V3 query API exposes stable V1 OTLP
- UI: Critical path visualization
- UI: In-page search on key value pairs
- UI: batch download of traces

#### Roadmap

- Jaeger V2 based on OpenTelemetry collector
  - Kafka support
  - OpenTelemetry collector builder (OCB)
  - Testing & Docs & Release
- Native Clickhouse storage support in Jaeger V2
- Elasticsearch 8 storage support

And more interesting capabilities coming in the future

# Q&A

#### Resources



<u>jaegertracing.io/docs</u>



monthly community call and Notes

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