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Intro to OpenTelemetry



How OpenTelemetry can help
me



Overview of the architecture



Basic deployment

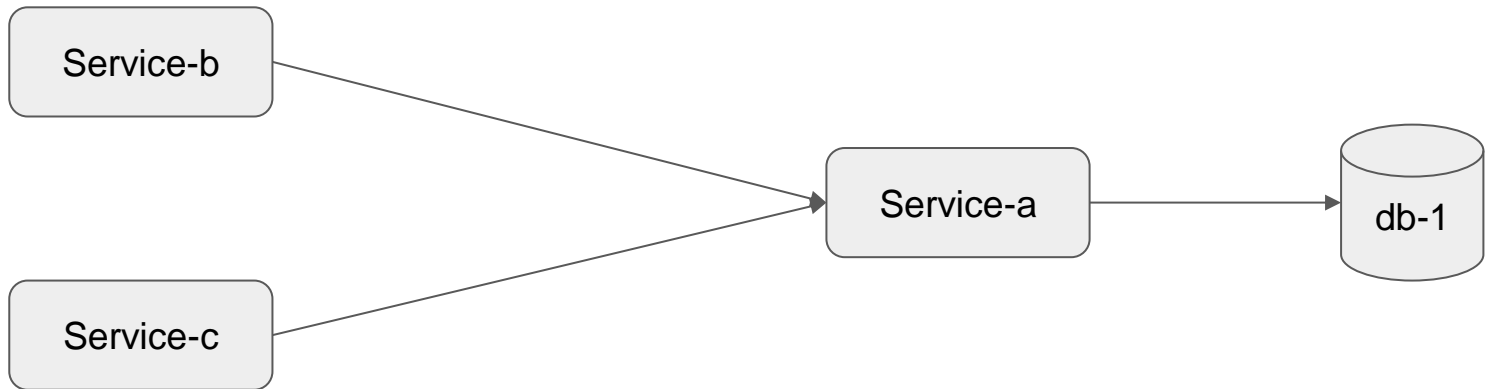
Let's start!

- Let's start by an example when would OpenTelemetry be beneficial
- You got an alert (based on logs) that service-a isn't able to write to db-1

Service-a can't write to db-1

- Error logs show exception
- Metric show high CPU in db1
- Maybe an increase in traffic?
 - Which HTTP Route is causing query to db-1?
 - Other types of communication?

Service-a can't write to db-1



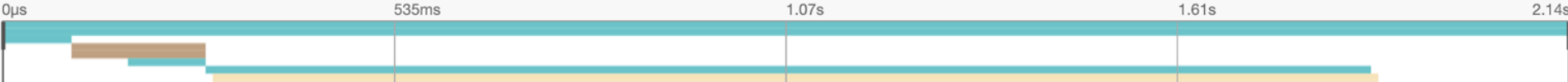
Logs - there is an error, can't write to db-1

Metrics - high CPU, the "technical" why

Trace - the context, the "path" within the system

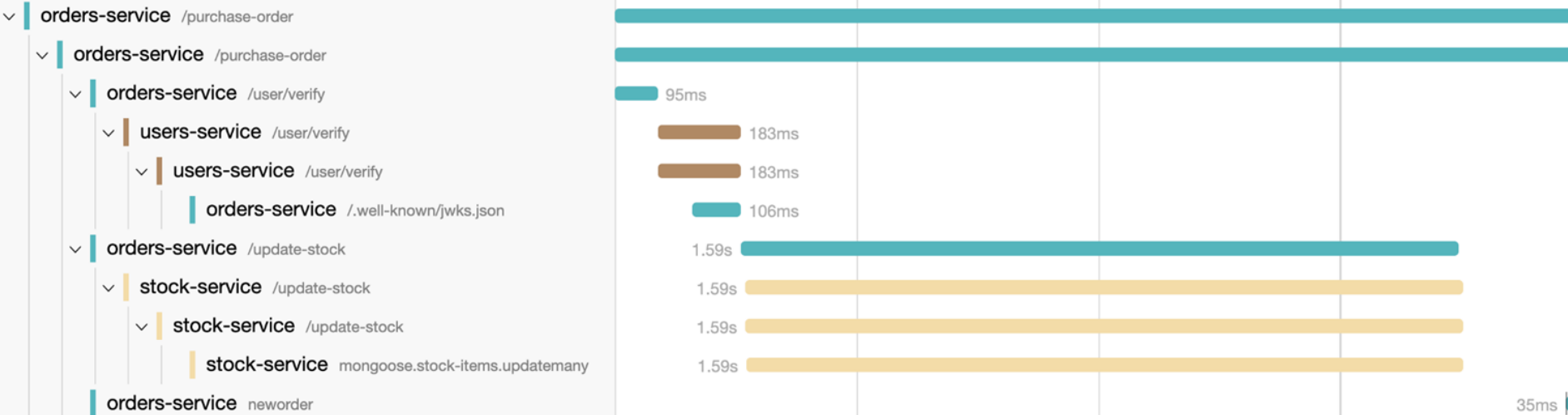
Checking the right metric / code

Trace Start **September 21 2021, 14:45:17.729** | Duration **2.14s** | Services **3** | Depth **6** | Total Spans **11**



Service & Operation

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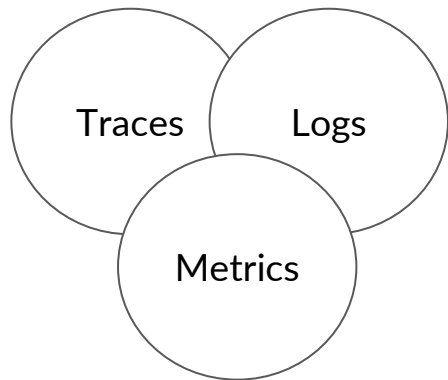


Distributed systems monitoring

- Logs - The application story
- Metrics - Numbers telling statistical facts about the system
- Traces - The context of why things are happening
 - Trace events

Those would be the three pillars of Observability

OpenTelemetry three pillars



Trace can have logs inside it

Logs can point to trace

Metrics be correlated via time to both.

OpenTelemetry

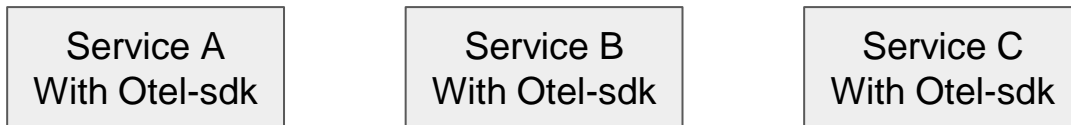
- The glue to collect the three pillars together under a unified SDK.
- Under CNCF
- One specification, Implementation for every programming language
- ???

OpenTelemetry

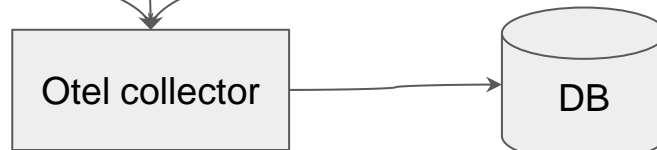
- An SDK that collects the three pillars
- It will ship it to a backend, then a DB
- We will need a visualization layer to display traces, logs and metrics

OpenTelemetry - The “stack”

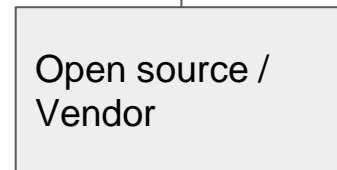
Your app



Otel backend



Visualization

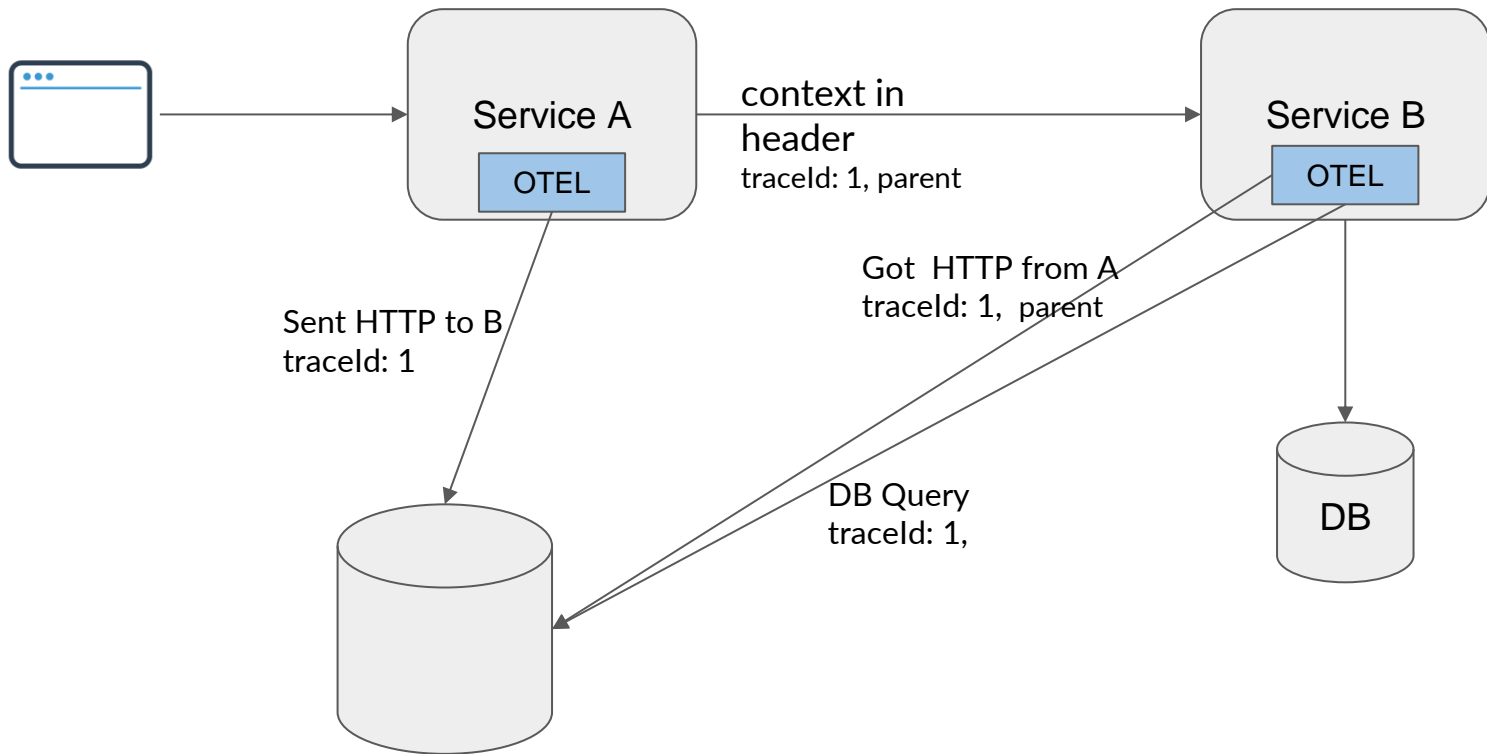


OpenTelemetry “stack”

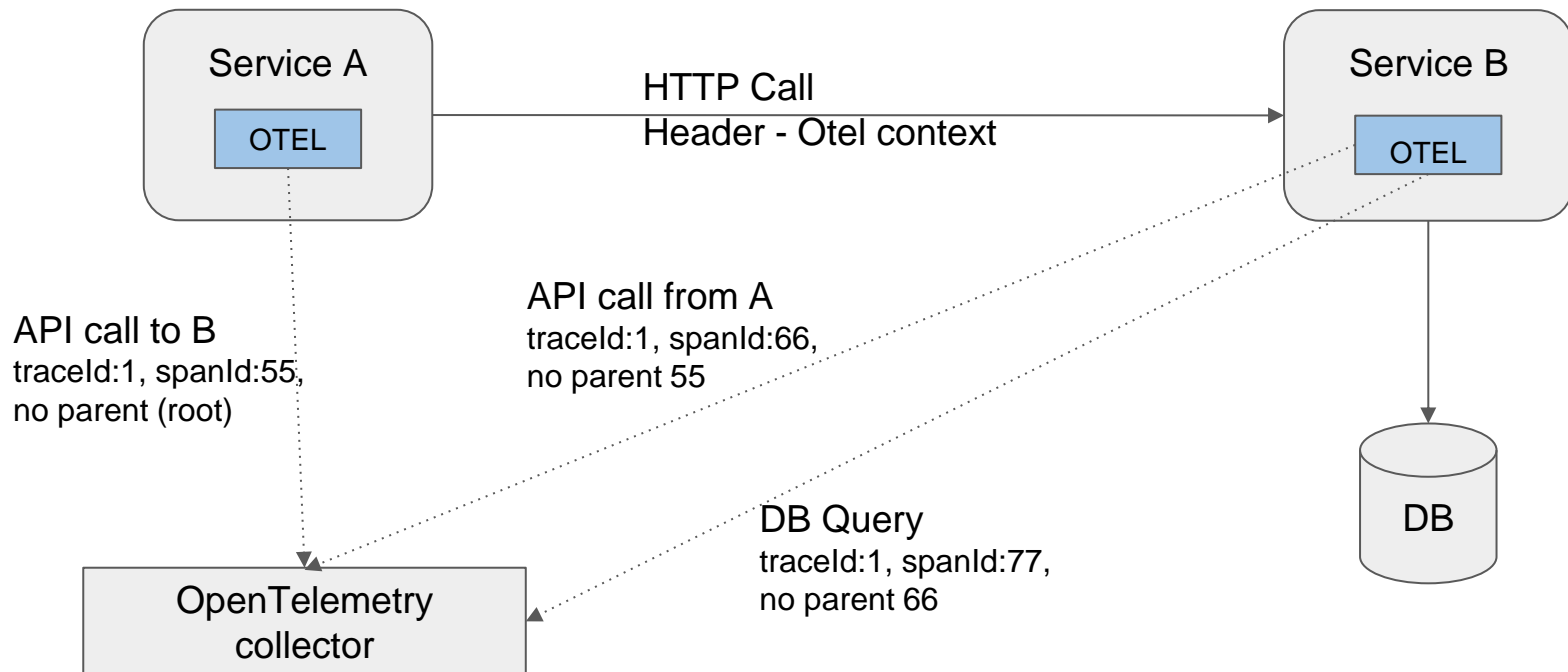
- SDK - Collects traces, logs and metrics and export them
- Collector - receivers telemetry, process it and export it
- A DB to store telemetry data
- Visualization layer

As we progress we will see that not all are mandatory

OpenTelemetry - How does the SDK works??



OpenTelemetry - How does the SDK works??



What data did we collect

Log - text, extra data, time, severity + traceld

Metric - numeric value, time

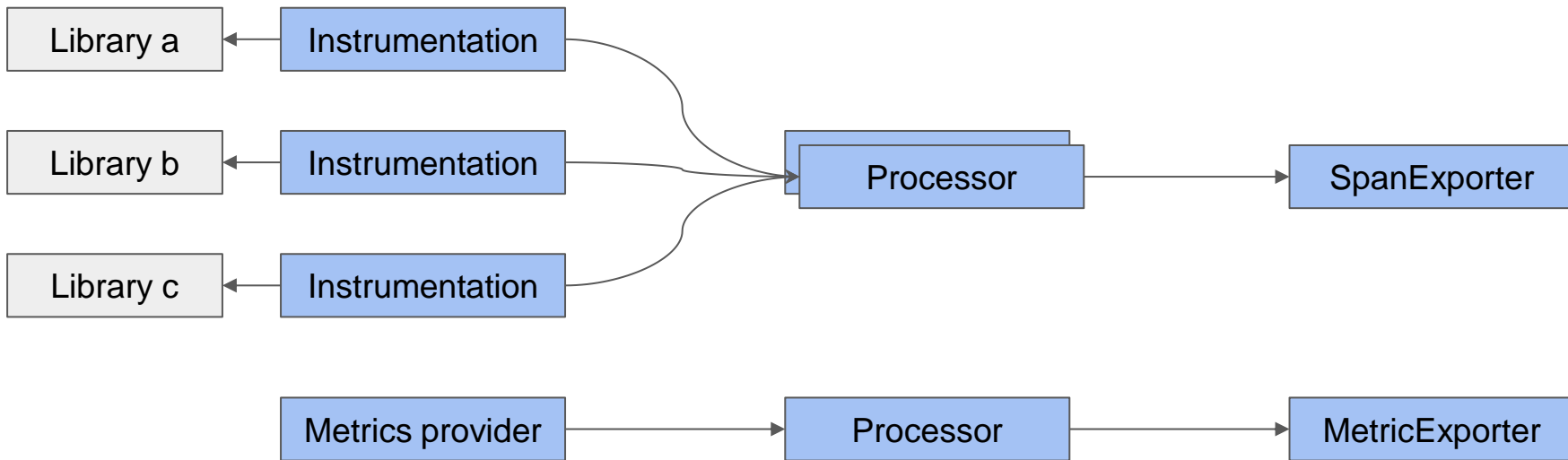
Trace:

- Id
- List of spans
 - Structured data about the span
 - Start time
 - Duration
 - Structured data about errors
 - Structured data about events (can be considered as logs)

What is the purpose of OpenTelemetry SDK

- Collect data about the application
- Propagate the context between services
- Ship it somewhere

OpenTelemetry SDK - collecting & send data



About instrumentation

- Automatic
 - Patches / attaches to a library
 - Collect data library activities in runtime
 - Produces spans based on specification and semantic-conventions
 - May offer additional configuration / features
 - List of all auto-instrumentation: <https://opentelemetry.io/registry/>
- Manual
 - Application developer writes dedicated code
 - Starts and end span, set status
 - Adding attributes and events

Common use cases for manual instrumentations

- Internal activities (timers)
- Adding data (user id)
- Unsupported auto instrumentation
 - Episode 5 will be about creating your own instrumentation

About Processors

- Responsibilities
 - Act as pipeline observes, can change the data or omit it
 - Enforce sampling
- Pre-defined span-processors
 - SimpleProcessor
 - BatchProcessor
 - MultipleProcessor
 - NoopSpanProcessor
- Pre-defined metric-processors
 - UngroupedProcessor
 - ExactProcessor (used by prometheus exporter)

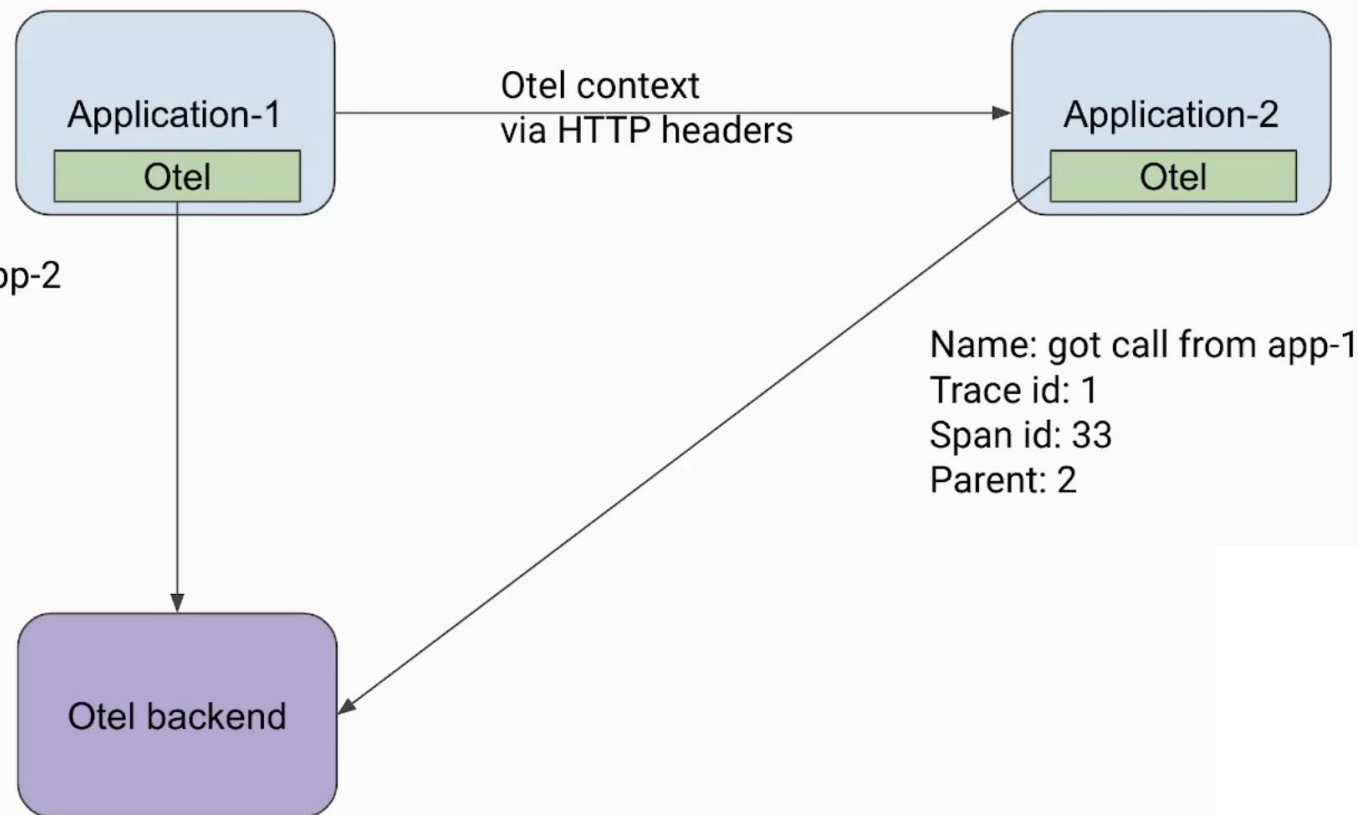
About Exporters

- Responsibilities
 - Send the data somewhere
 - Authentication
- Pre-defined exporters
 - Jaeger / zipkin / collector exporter
 - In memory exporter
 - Console exporter
 - OTLP exporter (metrics + spans)
 - Noop exporter

About Exporters

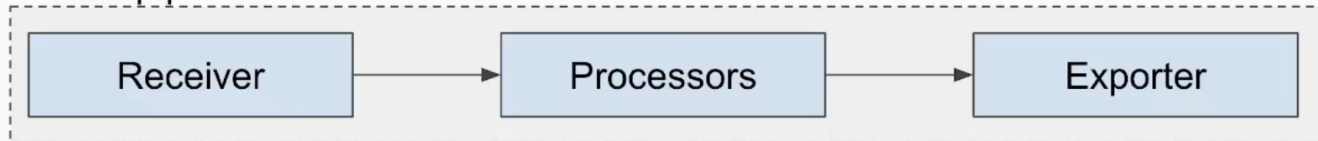
- Protocols:
 - HTTP
 - gRPC
- Formats
 - JSON
 - proto

Traces are so cool! how does it work?

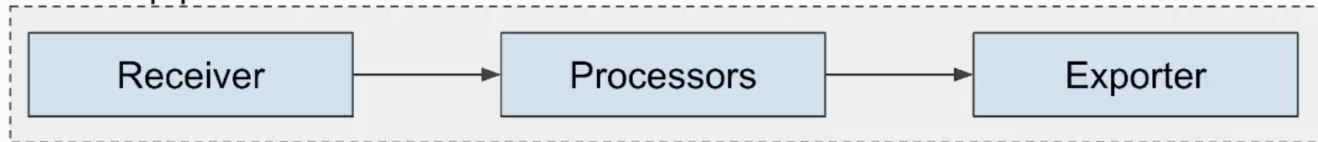


Collector flow

Traces pipeline



Metrics pipeline



Logs pipeline



We are going to work on...

1. Using Opentelemetry Java Agent
2. Using OpenTelemetry API
3. Using OpenTelemetry Collector

Additional resources

<https://www.aspecto.io/blog/why-and-how-to-run-jaeger-locally/>

<https://www.aspecto.io/blog/how-to-deploy-jaeger-on-aws-a-comprehensive-step-by-step-guide/>

<https://opentelemetry.io/docs/>