

Instrument Python code with OpenTelemetry





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Do I need telemetry?

- You produce logs
 - Then you have telemetry already
- You have performance objectives
- You need to analyse outliner events



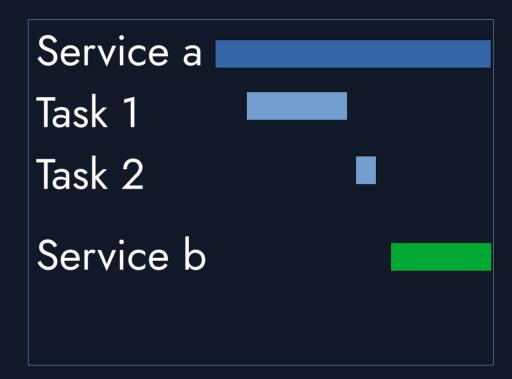
Telemetry signals

- There are 3 main signals
 - Traces
 - Metrics
 - Logs
- OpenTelemetry has a 4th one:
 - Bagage key/value store send accross processes



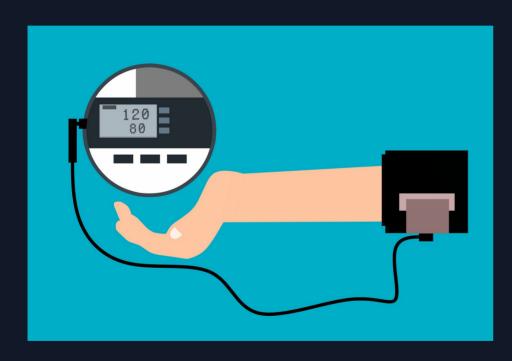
(Distributed) traces

- Similar to a stack trace accross app and libraries
- One trace is splitted in spans
- Spans have a name, attributes, a parent id





Metrics

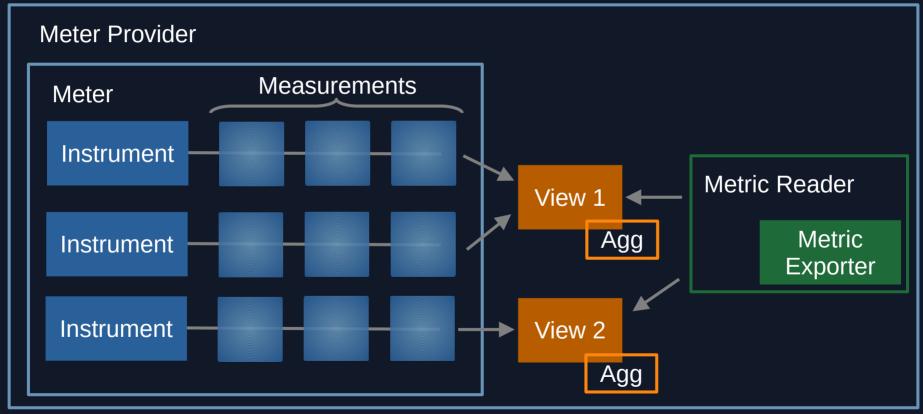


- Numerical values to track
- Predefined types:
 - Counter
 - Up/down counter
 - Gauge
 - Histogram
- Attributes
- Exemplars needed due to aggregation

Note: exemplars PR merged but not yet released



Diving Otel metrics



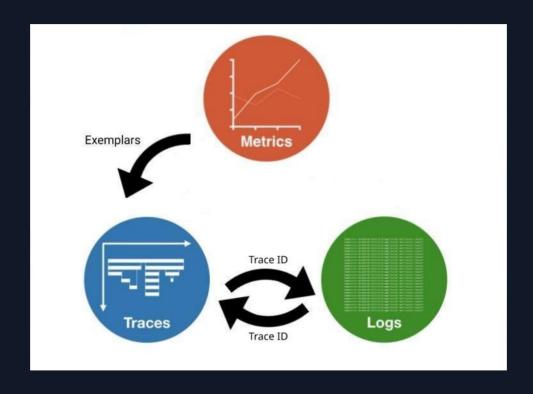


Logs

- I guess you know about this one ;-)
- Challenge adding attributes
 - e.g. trace ID/span ID to link with the traces



Links between telemetry





What is OpenTelemetry?

- Collection of APIs and SDKs
- Telemetry data protocol
- Semantic conventions naming scheme
- Tools
 - Collector proxy to receive, process and export telemetry data
 - Zero-code instrumentation



What is not OpenTelemetry?

- It is not a tool to visualize/analyze your telemetry.
- It is not a storage solution for your telemetry
- It cannot tell you what data are useful in your case



Pros & Cons

- Auto-instrumentation
- Vendor neutral
- Incubating at CNCF
- Highly adopted

- Language SDKs varies
 - Each as its own team
- Standardization is slow
- Standards will not cover everything



Today's example

- Three identical micro-services using FastAPI
- Instrumentation with OpenTelemetry :
 - Manual instrumentation → Deep code changes
 - Programmatic instrumentation → Light changes
 - Zero-code instrumentation → No changes



Time to show code

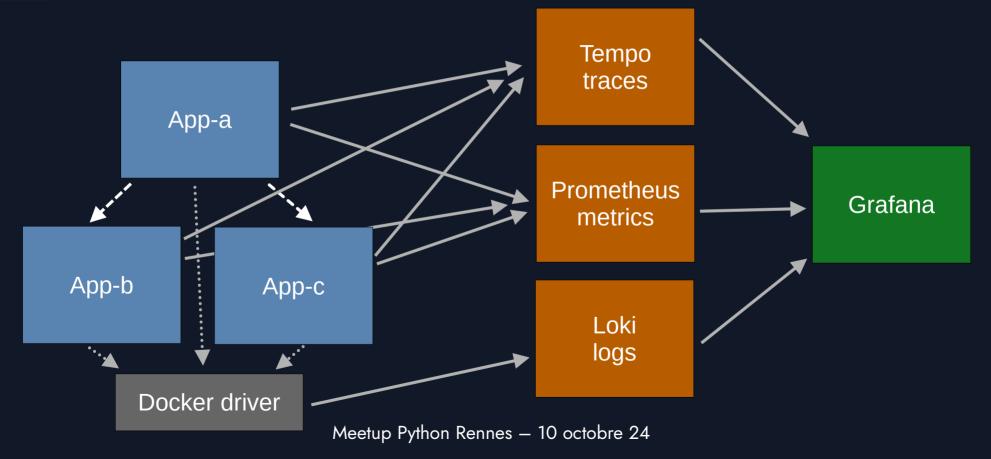
https://github.com/webscit/opentelemetry-demo-python



Meetup Python Rennes — 10 octobre 24



Structure demo







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Resources

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https://opentelemetry.io/
https://opentelemetry.io/docs/zero-code/python/
https://github.com/open-telemetry/opentelemetry-python-contrib
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https://www.timescale.com/blog/a-deep-dive-into-open-telemetry-metrics/