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Workshop: Building an Event-Driven CI/CD Provenance System



Event Driven CI/CD Workshop

View the workshop:

https://github.com/xbcsmith/epr-workshop

Clone the workshop:

git clone git@github.com:xbcsmith/epr-workshop.git



Session 1: Introduction to Event Driven Architecture

- Why use microservices in event driven architecture?
- What are Cloud Events?
- What are CDEvents?
- What is EPR and how does it fit in an event driven CI/CD system?

Introduction to Event Driven Microservice Architectures

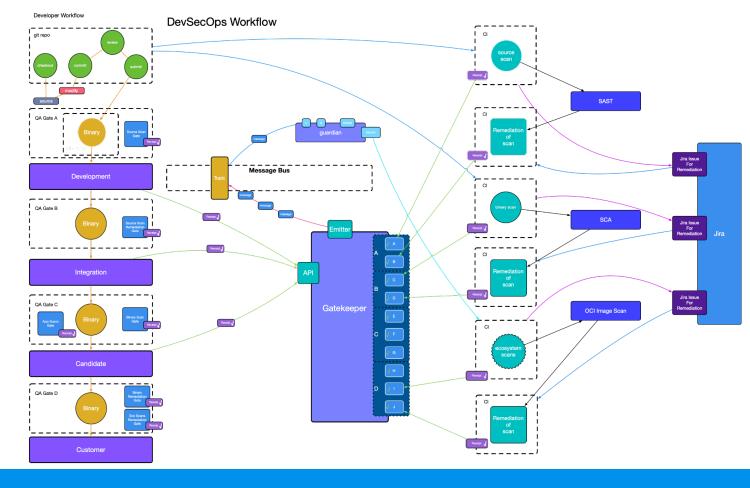
- Asynchronous
- Allows for scalability and modularity
- Provides an audit trail
- Services are specialized
- Independent SDLC

- Creeping system complexity
- Eventual consistency
- Increased maintenance
- Downstream flooding
- Dead Letters

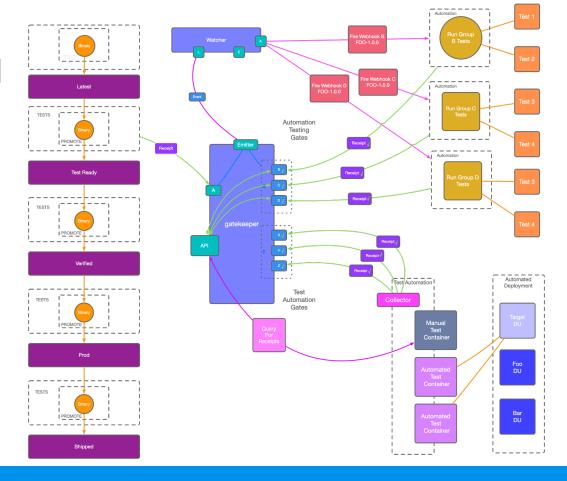
Declarative and Imperative Events

X Happened! System A System A Do X!

Real World



Real World



Cloud Events

- Interoperability
- Producer Consumer Independence
- Asynchronous Communication
- Standard Data Model



- Dynamic Event Interest Expression
- Flexible Event Consumption
- Consumer Evolution

CDEvents

- Common Vocabulary
- Normalized Form
- System Agnostic



- Declarative events
- Simplified Integration
- Targeted Notifications





- Events
- Event Receivers
- Event Receiver Groups

- Gating
- Auditing
- Provenance

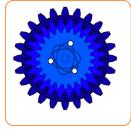
- Messages
- CloudEvents Spec
- Declarative events
- Imperative events
- Watchers

Session 2: Introduction to Event Provenance Registry

- Setup and deploy Event Provenance Registry (EPR) server locally.
- Create a microservice to interact with EPR and events.
- Overview of the EPR Python SDK with examples.







Docker – https://docs.docker.com/get-docker

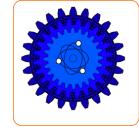
Docker Compose – https://docs.docker.com/compose/install

Golang – https://go.dev/doc/install

Python – https://www.python.org/downloads

Git - https://git-scm.com/downloads

Redpanda (Kafka): Message Queue Overview



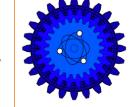
Redpanda is a Kafka-compatible event streaming platform.

It provides a message bus for our event-driven architecture.

Simple. Kafka® API-compatible. ZooKeeper® free. JVM free.

- Redpanda Nodes Self contained service
- Redpanda Keeper CLI for managing clusters
- Redpanda Console UI for managing clusters





Redpanda (Kafka): Message Queue Overview

Terminal 1: run the command to consume the message

docker compose -f ./compose/docker-compose.yaml up

Terminal 2: run the commands create a topic and produce the message

docker exec -it redpanda rpk topic create epr.dev.events --brokers=localhost:9092 docker exec -it redpanda rpk topic produce epr.dev.events --brokers=localhost:9092

Terminal 3: run the command to consume the message

docker exec -it redpanda rpk topic consume epr.dev.events --brokers=localhost:9092



- Events
- Event Receivers
- Event Receiver Groups

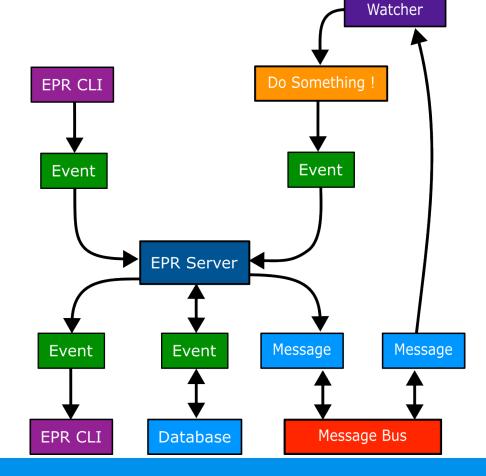
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- V Version
- R Release
- P Platform ID
- P Package

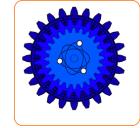
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EPR Workflow





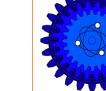


Exploring EPR: Codebase Overview

Use the following command to clone the EPR project repository:

git clone git@github.com:sassoftware/event-provenance-registry.git





Exploring EPR: Start the Backend

Open a new terminal and cd to the event-provenance-registry repository.

cd event-provenance-registry

Use the following command to start the backend services for EPR:

docker compose -f ./docker-compose.services.yaml up







Open a new terminal and cd to the event-provenance-registry repository.

```
cd event-provenance-registry
```

Export the following environment variables:

```
export EPR_TOPIC=epr.dev.events
export EPR_BROKERS=localhost:19092
export EPR_DB=postgres://localhost:5432
```

Then we can start the EPR server with the following command:

```
go run main.go
```

The server will be available on localhost:8042







EPR workflow to setup the server to produce events is as follows:

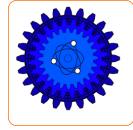
- Create an Event Receiver.
- Post an Event to the Event Receiver.
- 3. EPR produces message on topic.

To leverage Event Receiver Groups we would follow this workflow:

- Create several Event Receivers
- Create an Event Receiver Group with all the Event Receivers.
- 3. Create an Event with identical NVRPP for each Event Receiver in the Group.
- 4. EPR produces a message for each Event on the topic.
- 5. When the last Event is sent EPR produces a message for the Event Receiver Group on the topic.

Curl EPR: Create an Event Receiver

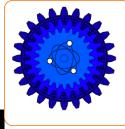
```
curl --location --request POST 'http://localhost:8042/api/v1/receivers' \
--data-raw '{
 "schema": {
   "properties": {
    "name": {
```



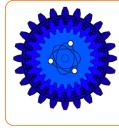


```
curl --location --request POST 'http://localhost:8042/api/v1/events' \
--header 'Content-Type: application/json' \
--data-raw '{
 "release": "2023.11.16",
 "description": "blah",
 "payload": {
  "name": "joe"
 "success": true,
```





```
curl --location --request POST 'http://localhost:8042/api/v1/groups'
--header 'Content-Type: application/json' \
--data-raw '{
 "type": "foo.bar",
 "version": "3.3.3",
 "description": "The only event receiver group that matters",
 "enabled": true,
   "PASTE EVENT RECEIVER ID FROM FIRST CURL COMMAND"
```



Using EPR: GraphQL

The GraphQL Playground is a tool that allows you to test your GraphQL queries in a browser.

The graphql playground will now be accessible at:

http://localhost:8042/api/v1/graphql

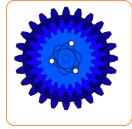




Create an Event Receiver by pasting the mutation into the GraphQL Playground.

```
mutation {
    version: "1.0.0"
     type: "london.calling"
     description: "The only band that matters"
     schema: "{\"name\": \"value\"}"
```

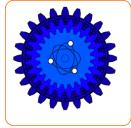




Create an Event Receiver Group by pasting the mutation into the GraphQL Playground. Use the ID from the last command for the event_receivers_ids field.

```
mutation {
  create_event_receiver_group(
    event_receiver_group: {
      name: "foobar"
      version: "1.0.0"
      description: "a fake event receiver group"
      enabled: true
      event_receiver_ids: ["ID_RETURNED_FROM_PREVIOUS_MUTATION"]
      type: "test.test.test"
    }
  )
}
```

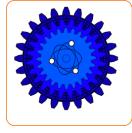




Create an Event by pasting the mutation into the GraphQL Playground.

```
event: {
  release: "20231103"
  description: "The Foo of Brixton"
```





Open a new terminal and cd to the cli directory in the event-provenance-registry repository.

cd event-provenance-registry/cli

Build CLI with the following commands:

Linux

make PREFIX=\$(go env GOPATH) install
Mac OS X M1

make PREFIX=\$(go env GOPATH) install-darwin-arm64

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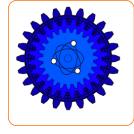


Create a pair of Event Receivers

```
epr-cli receiver create \
    --name "foo-cli" \
    --version "1.0.0" \
    --description "foo cli created foo" \
    --type "epr.foo.cli" \
    --schema "{}"
```

```
epr-cli receiver create \
    --name "bar-cli" \
    --version "1.0.0" \
    --description "bar cli created bar" \
    --type "epr.bar.cli" \
    --schema "{}"
```





Create an Event Receiver Group. Use the IDs from the Event Receivers

```
epr-cli group create \
    --name "foo-group-cli" \
    --version "1.0.0" \
    --description "foo cli created foo group" \
    --type "epr.foo.group.cli" \
    --event-receiver-ids "01HKX0J9KS8AASMRYX61458N41 01HKX0KY3B31MR3XKJWTDZ4EQ0"
```





Search for objects by ID, or Name and Version, or Type.

```
epr-cli receiver search --id 01HKX0KY3B31MR3XKJWTDZ4EQ0 --fields all

epr-cli receiver search --type epr.foo.cli --fields all

epr-cli receiver search --name foo-cli --version 1.0.0 --fields all
```



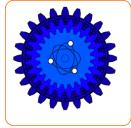


Use the EPR watcher SDK to craft a watcher, which actively listens for events originating from the EPR server.

Make a new directory for your watcher and create a `main.go` in that directory.

mkdir foo cd foo touch main.go



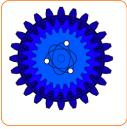


Now open the `main.go` in your favorite editor (Vim).

Add the following code:

```
package main
seeds := []string{"localhost:19092"}
topics := []string{"epr.dev.events"]
```





Add:

- customMatcher
 - matching the message type value.
- customTaskHandler
 - prints a message when a match is found.

```
func customMatcher(msg *message.Message) bool {
  return msg.Type == "foo.bar"
}

func customTaskHandler(msg *message.Message) error {
  log.Default().Printf("I received a task with value '%v'", msg)
  return nil
}
```

Save the file and run 'go mod init' in your terminal.

Run 'go mod tidy' to fill in the dependencies.



Extended EPR: Creating a watcher

Start up the watcher and start consuming messages with the following command:

```
go run main.go
```

In a second terminal create an Event Receiver where type matches what you put in the customMatcher.

```
--header 'Content-Type: application/json' \
"name": "watcher-workshop",
"type": "foo.bar",
"description": "The event receiver of Brixton",
 "schema": {
 "type": "object",
  "name": {
    "type": "string"
```





Now create an Event.

```
curl --location --request POST 'http://localhost:8042/api/v1/events' \
    --header 'Content-Type: application/json' \
    --data-raw '{
        "name": "magnificent",
        "version": "7.0.1",
        "release": "2023.11.16",
        "platform_id": "linux",
        "package": "docker",
        "description": "blah",
        "payload": {"name":"joe"},
        "success": true,
        "event_receiver_id": "<PASTE EVENT RECEIVER ID FROM FIRST CURL COMMAND>"
}'
```





In this section we will walk through the development and usage of the EPR Python client.

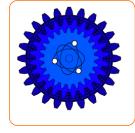
- EPR Python Client
- Overview
- Development
- Model Example
- Client Create Example
- Create an event receiver
- Create an event receiver group
- Create an event
- EPR Python CLI

The commands in this section are long. Please refer to section 09-epr-python

Session 3: CDEvents and SBOMs

- Create and store CDEvents in our new ecosystem.
- Discuss how to leverage CDEvents and events in general.
- Use EPR to store and retrieve SBOMs.





In this section of the workshop, we will introduce the SBOMs.

- Event Receiver Schema for SBOMs
- CycloneDX bom schema
- Create a source SBOM event
- Create an SBOM for an OCI image

The commands in this section are long. Please refer to section 08-epr-sboms

EPR:CloudEvents

In this section we will cover the CloudEvents and EPR concepts and how to use them.

- Overview of CloudEvents
- Explore CloudEvents Data Structure
- Create CloudEvents
- Use CloudEvents with EPR

The commands in this section are long. Please refer to section 09-epr-cloudevents



EPR: CDEvents

In this section we will cover the CDEvents and EPR concepts and how to use them.

- Overview of CDEvents
- Explore CDEvents Data Structure
- Simulate Pipeline Activities with CDEvents
- EPR Integration with CDEvvents

The commands in this section are long. Please refer to section 10-epr-cdevents

EPR:CDViz

In this section we will cover the CDViz and CDEvents concepts and how to use them.

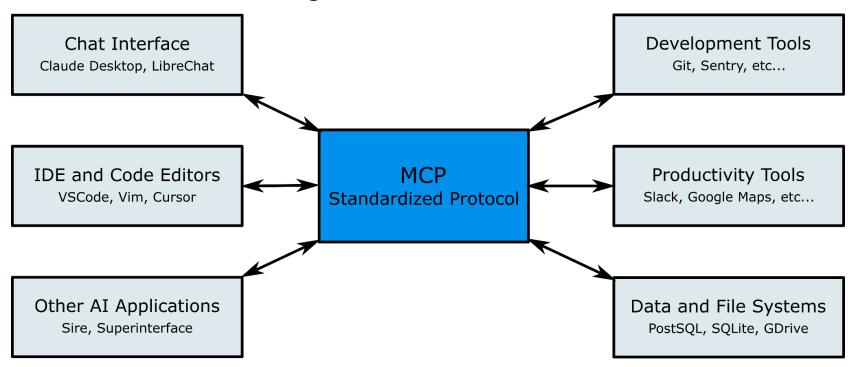
- Deploy CDViz
- Send CDEvents to CDViz
- Explore CDViz Dashboards and Capabilities

The commands in this section are long. Please refer to section 10.5-epr-cdviz

Session 4: EPR Agents and MCP Servers

- Overview of MCP servers and how they can be used in event driven systems.
- Introduction to the EPR MCP Server.
- Live Code MCP Server
- Expand our microservices to do more things.
- Wrap up.

EPR: Agents and MCP Servers



Model Context Protocol (MCP)

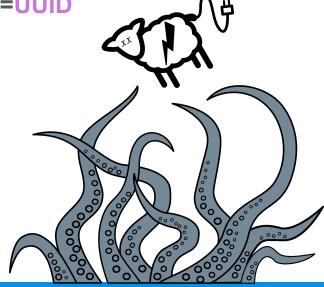
Al Assistant (Client) <=> MCP Server <=> API/Tools/Data

- Open standard introduced November 2024
- JSON-RPC interface over HTTP/stdio
- Standardized discovery for Al-tool integration
- No custom plugins required

MCP: Not So Secure by Design

Fundamental Design Flaws:

- Session IDs in URLs `GET /messages/?sessionId=UUID`
- Optional authentication standards
- Missing message integrity controls
- Trust model assumes good actors



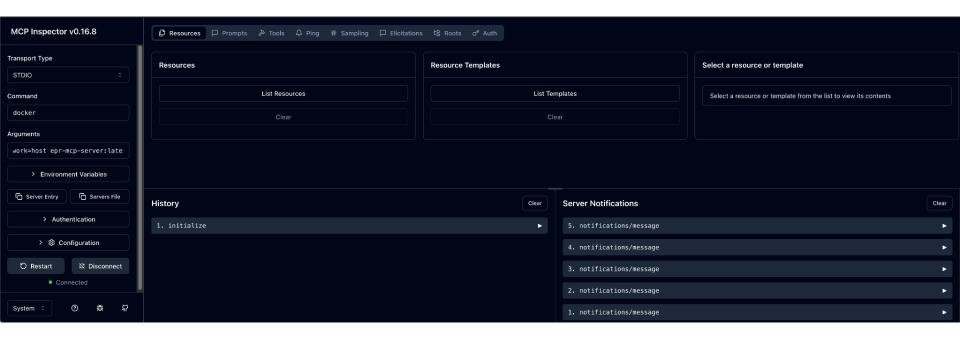
EPR: MCP Server

An MCP server (Model Context Protocol server) acts as a bridge between Al models and external tools, data sources, or APIs.

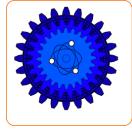
Live Code an MCP Server

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EPR: MCP Inspector



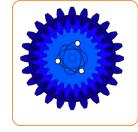




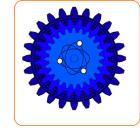
In this section we will expand on our EPR concepts we have learned in the previous sections. This is a free form exercise to expand on what we have learned.

Suggestions:

- Add a watcher to fire a webhook.
- Add a watcher to create a CDEvent.
- Add a watcher to create a SBOM.
- Add a Python watcher to create an Event.



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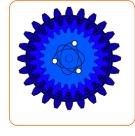


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