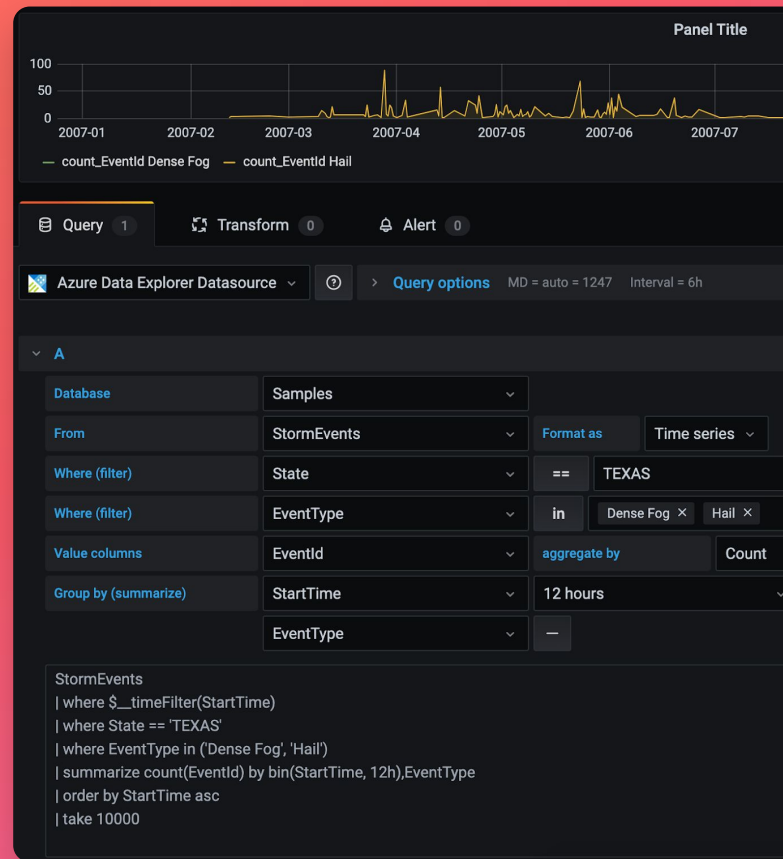


Driving organisational change using OpenTelemetry



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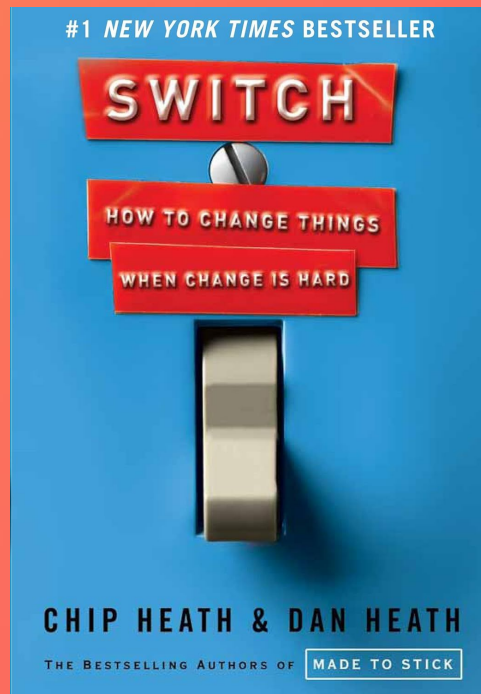


Agenda

- Organisational change?
- OpenTelemetry
- Implementing internally
- Leveraging the *Community*



Organisational Change



Organisational changes *at Grafana Labs*

- RED dashboards
- Adopting SLOs
- Cost sensitivity



RED Dashboards

RED Method

Requests - The number requests per seconds split out by status code

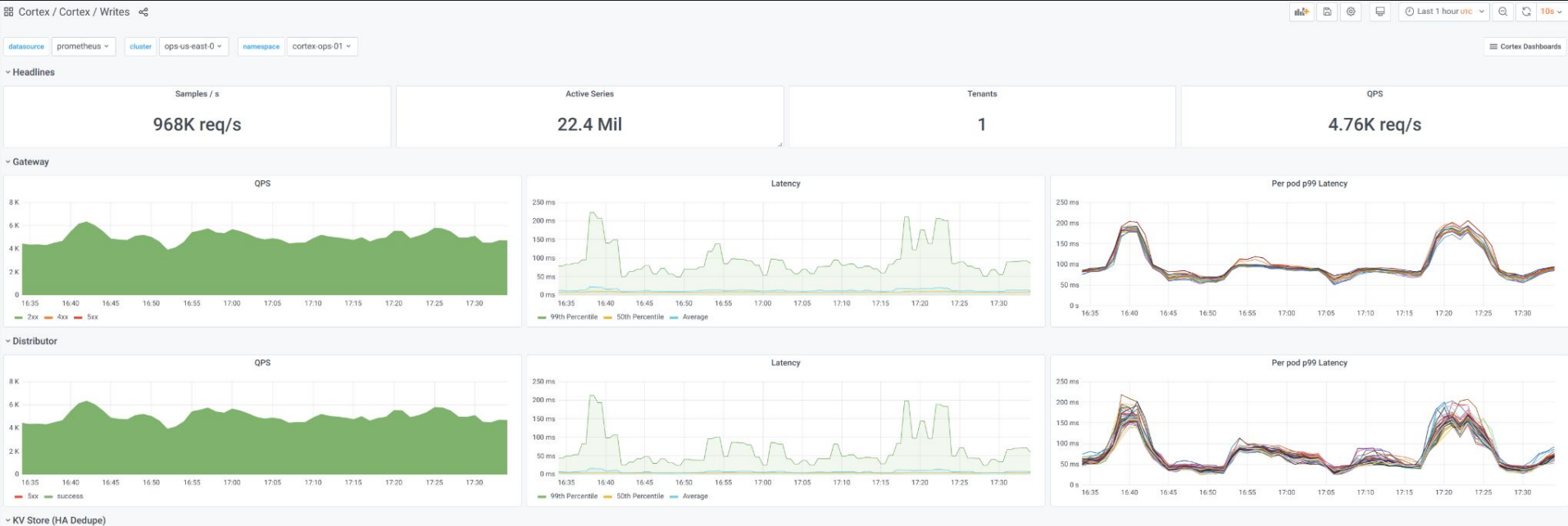
Errors - The number of errors, superimposed on the requests

Duration - 50th and 95th percentile response times

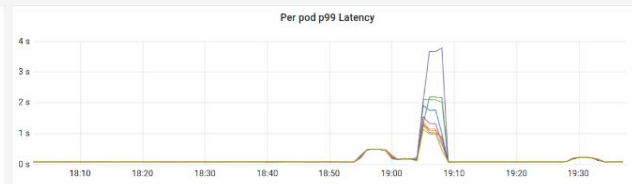
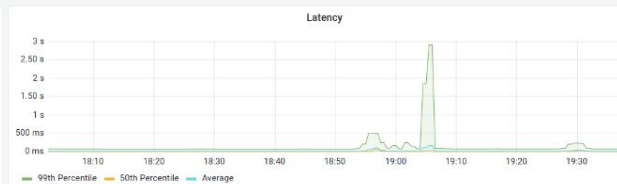
Following the *Critical Request Path*



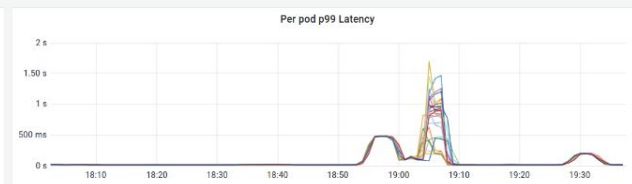
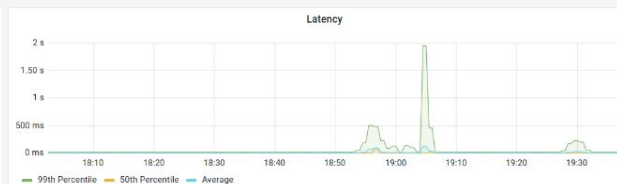
RED Dashboards



Gateway

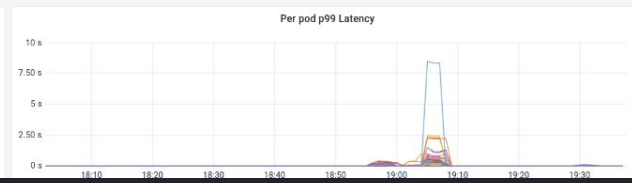
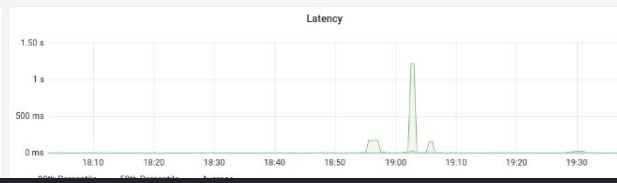


Distributor



KV Store (HA Dedupe) (2 panels)

Ingestor





SLOs

Grafana Cloud SLOs 1/3

Overall Performance (1d)

99.984%

Overall Performance (7d)

99.980%

Overall Performance (14d)

99.983%

Overall Performance (30d)

99.980%

Access

GrafanaCom
API

99.98%

SLO

StackStateSe
API

100.00%

SLO



Alerting

Alertmanager

Threshold is 99.5%,
[Runbook](#)

99.90%

SLO



Config

Threshold is 99.5%,
[Runbook](#)

99.98%

SLO



Auth

Auth API

Threshold is 99.5%,
[Runbook](#)

99.99%

SLO



Cortex

Writes

Threshold is 99.9%,
[Runbook](#)

99.99%

SLO

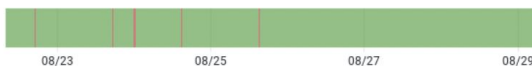


Reads

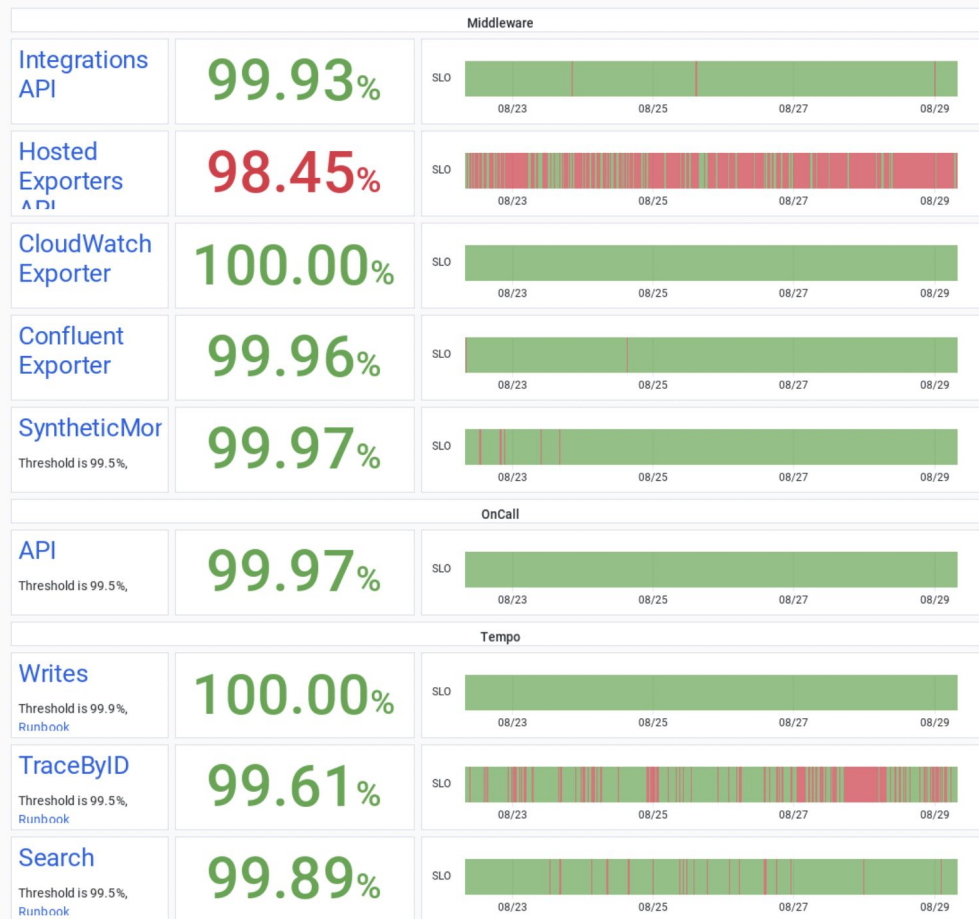
Threshold is 99.5%,
[Runbook](#)

99.81%

SLO



Grafana Cloud SLOs 3/3



```
// An SLO is defined as
// {
//   name:           Name of SLO; used in dashboard and rule names.  No spaces.
//   desc:           Free-form markdown for exposition.
//
//   gen_alert:      Set to true to generate alerts for this SLO.
//   alert_name:     Name of alert to use for this SLO.
//   alert_summary:  Summary for alert.
//   alert_labels:   Extra labels to add to a generated alert (optional).
//   runbook_template: Runbook template such as "https://deployment_tools/docs/runbook.md#%(alert_name)s" (optional)
//                   The %(alert_name)s will be used to substitute with the alert name (also optional)
//
//   gen_dashboard: Set to true to include in the SLO dashboard.
//
//   successful_requests_expr:
//     PromQL expression for the number of requests that succeeded wrt SLA
//     (ie succeeded quickly enough).  Should take a "%(period)s" substitution.
//     Final aggregate should only include cluster and namespace labels.
//
//   total_requests_expr:
//     PromQL expression for the total number of request served in a given
//     period.
//
//   threshold:
//     Proportion of total requests (0-100) that need to comply for us to be
//     within SLO.
//
//   min_failures:
//     Absolute number of failures that must be reached over an alert's evaluation
//     period before the alert fires. This protects against noisy alerts during
//     low-traffic periods.
//
//   weight: (optional)
//     A constant factor that both successful_requests_expr and total_requests_expr
//     is multiplied by; used to control the weight this SLO contributes to the
//     aggregate SLO.
// }
```



```
{
  name: 'TraceByID',

  gen_alert: true,
  alert_name: 'TempoTraceByIDErrorBudgetBurn',
  alert_summary: 'Tempo burns its trace by id error budget too fast.',
  gen_dashboard: true,

  successful_requests_expr: 'sum by (cluster, namespace) (rate(tempo_request_duration_seconds_bucket{status_code!~'}
  total_requests_expr: 'sum by (cluster, namespace) (rate(tempo_request_duration_seconds_count{route=~"tempo_api_tn
  threshold: 99.5,
  min_failures: 10,
},
```



Cost sensitivity

datasource

ops-cortex ▾

cluster

All ▾

namespace

otel-demo ▾

team

app_o11y ▾

[Dedicate Cluster Names & Customer Names](#)

[Loki Clusters](#)

Unit Costs (per Month)		
Cluster / Team / Namespace		Cost ▾
ops-us-east-0/app_o11y/otel-demo		\$14.97



Team Growth						
Team	Previous Month		This Month		Time	Growth
networking					2023-10-25 11:14:34.054	
app_o11y					2023-10-25 11:14:34.054	
loki					2023-10-25 11:14:34.054	
grafana_com					2023-10-25 11:14:34.054	
hosted_grafana					2023-10-25 11:14:34.054	
incident					2023-10-25 11:14:34.054	
tempo					2023-10-25 11:14:34.054	
Total						

Namespace Growth						
Cluster / Team / Namespace	Previous Month		This Month			Growth ↓
prod-us-west-0/app_o11y/faro						
prod-ca-east-0/app_o11y/faro						
prod-ap-southeast-1/app_o11y/faro						
ops-us-east-0/app_o11y/otel-demo						
prod-au-southeast-1/app_o11y/faro						
us-central2/app_o11y/faro						
prod-us-central-0/app_o11y/faro						
prod-us-east-0/app_o11y/faro						

Merged

Set Beyla CPU resources and limits #98979

grcevski merged 1 commit into [master](#) from [set_beyla_resources](#) 2 days ago

Set Beyla CPU resources and limits

✓ 8582a97

grcevski requested a review from [grafana/ebpf](#) as a code owner 2 days ago

kube-manifests-exporter bot commented 2 days ago

2 files changed in kube-manifests. [permalink](#) (relative)

► Changes to manifests in dev clusters, **deployed on merge** (0 added, 0 deleted, 2 modified)

kube-manifests-exporter bot commented 2 days ago

📊 Cost Estimation Report 📈

Monthly cost for the affected resources will increase by \$46.97 (37.98%)

► Details for `dev-us-central-0`

Legend: previous cost on top, expected cost below.

See the [FAQ](#) for any questions!

Still need help? Then join us in the [#platform-capacity-chat](#) channel.

ebpf

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Assignees

No one—[assign yourself](#)

Labels

None yet

Projects

None yet

Milestone

No milestone

Development

Successfully merging this pull request may close these issues.

None yet

Notifications

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3 participants



 Lock conversation

How?

- Near Zero effort from engineers
 - Engineers want to focus on product velocity
- Make it a priority for the team
 - But make it easy, visible and trackable
 - Weekly reports sent automatically
- Automate *EVERYTHING*



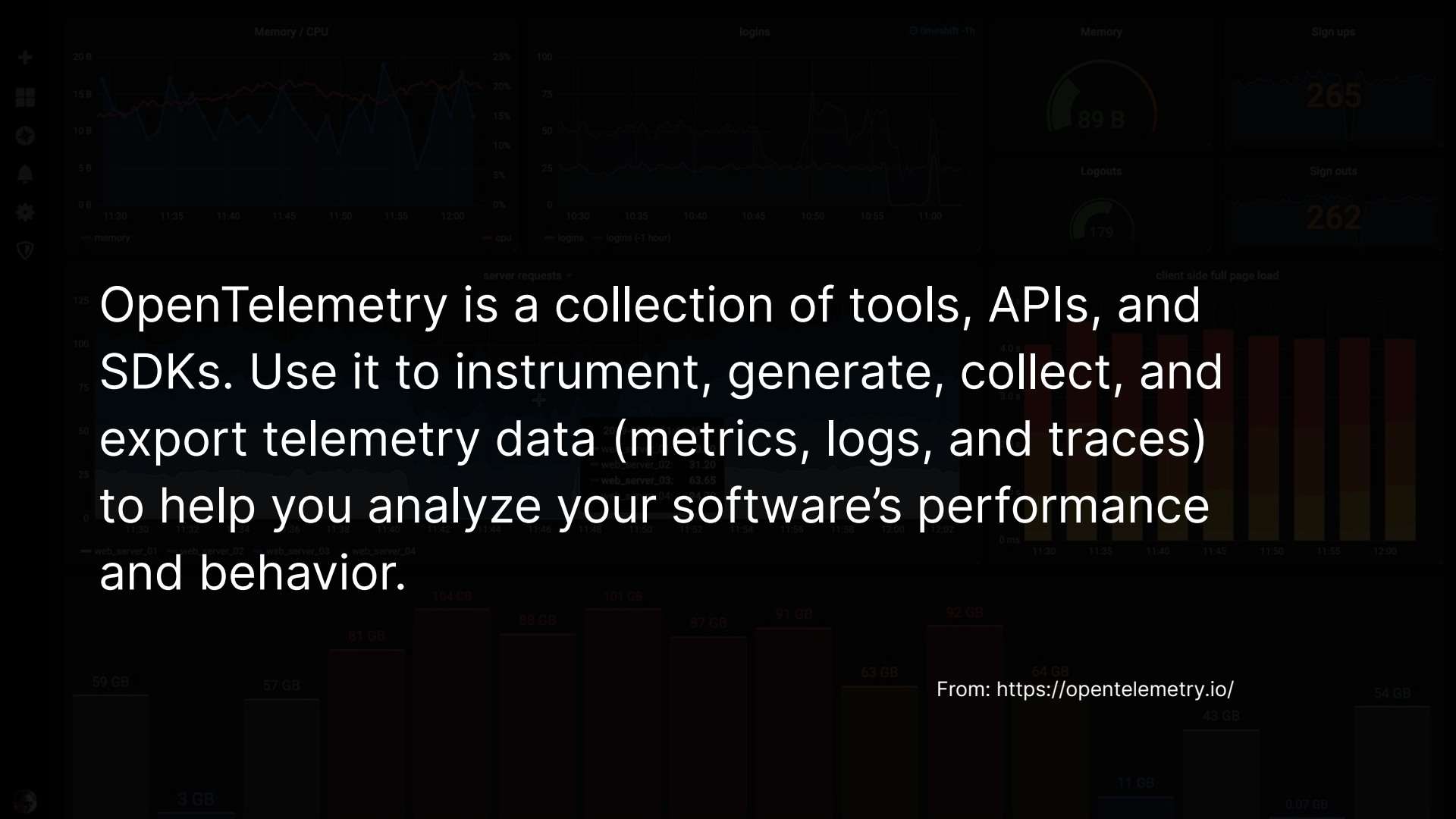
How???

- Key is standardization
 - We use Prometheus metrics
 - We use Prometheus histograms with the same buckets
 - We use the same libraries company wide
- Doing it in a 1000 person company is *easy*
- How do you do it in a 10000 person company?
 - Standardization is ~impossible



What is OpenTelemetry





OpenTelemetry is a collection of tools, APIs, and SDKs. Use it to instrument, generate, collect, and export telemetry data (metrics, logs, and traces) to help you analyze your software's performance and behavior.

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

Standards,
specifications
and conventions

Client-side
libraries (API,
SDKs,
instrumentation)

Middleware



Standards, specifications and conventions

OpenTelemetry
API / SDK

- ✓ For those who want to implement an API or SDK

Semantic
conventions

- ✓ What I should include in my telemetry data

OpenTelemetry
Line Protocol

- ✓ Specification for data transport



Client-side libraries

OpenTelemetry API

- ✓ Enables developers to specify “what” to generate in terms of telemetry data

OpenTelemetry SDK

- ✓ Configuration of “how” to collect and transport instrumented application data

Instrumentation libraries

- ✓ Libraries that instrument parts of your stack automatically



Middleware

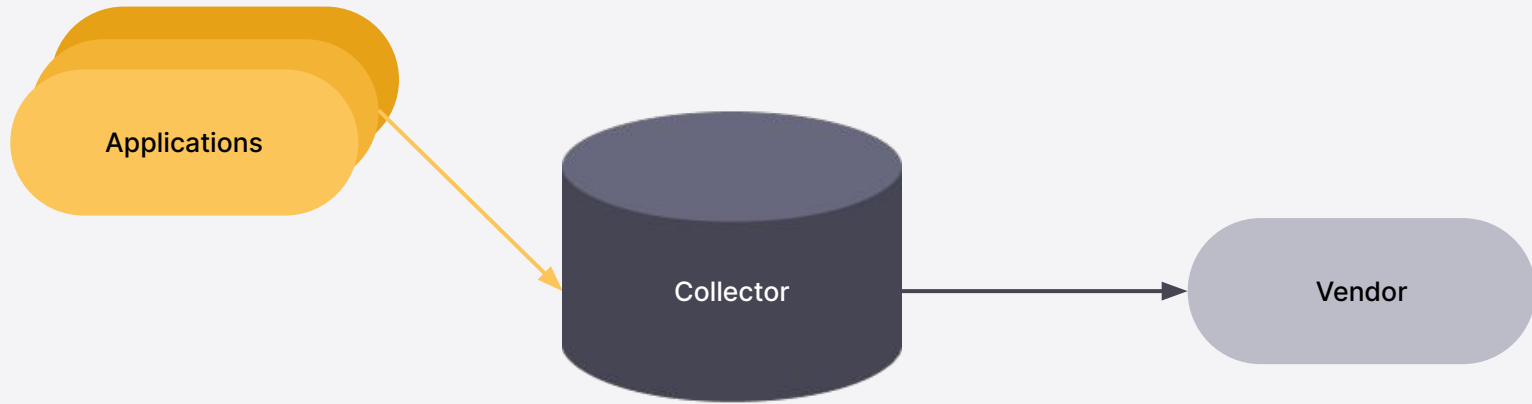
OpenTelemetry Collector

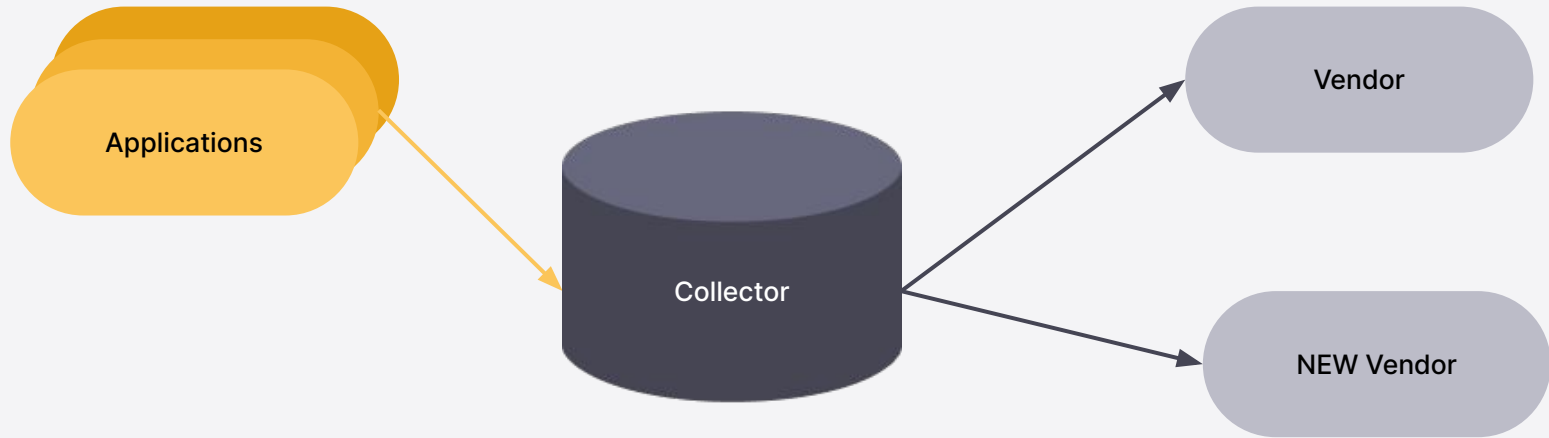
- ✓ Conduit that allows connecting sources to destinations

OpenTelemetry Operator

- ✓ Operator for Kubernetes, able to manage Collectors and self-instrument services





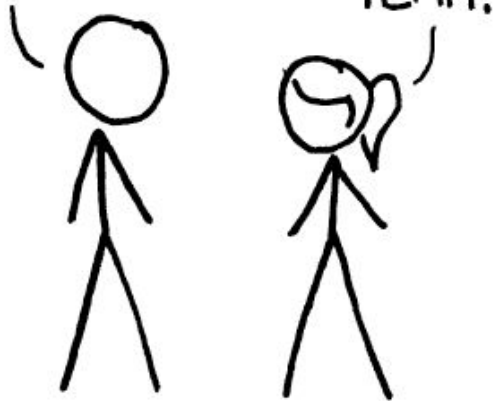


HOW STANDARDS PROLIFERATE:

(SEE: A/C CHARGERS, CHARACTER ENCODINGS, INSTANT MESSAGING, ETC.)

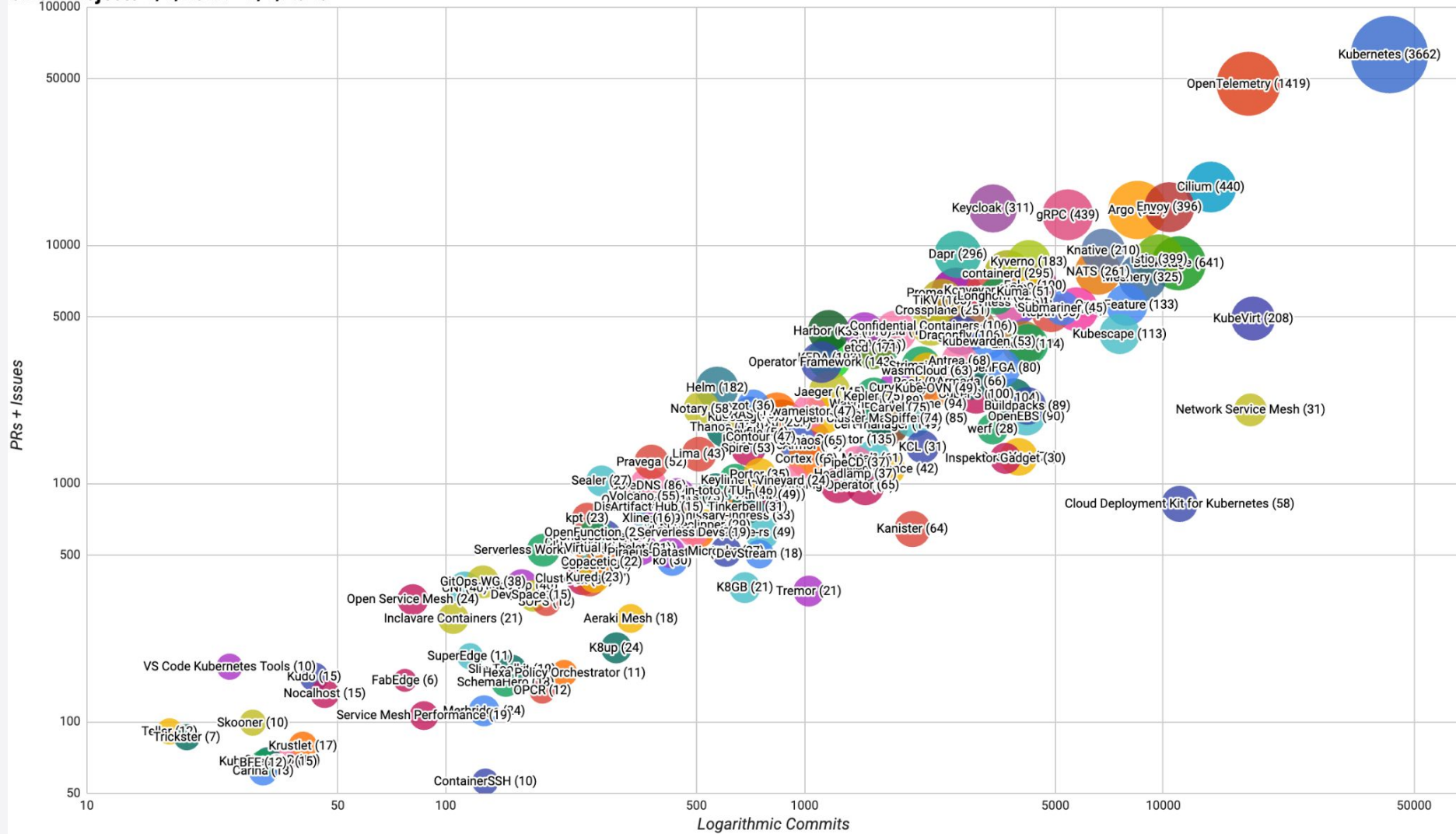
SITUATION:
THERE ARE
14 COMPETING
STANDARDS.

14?! RIDICULOUS!
WE NEED TO DEVELOP
ONE UNIVERSAL STANDARD
THAT COVERS EVERYONE'S
USE CASES.

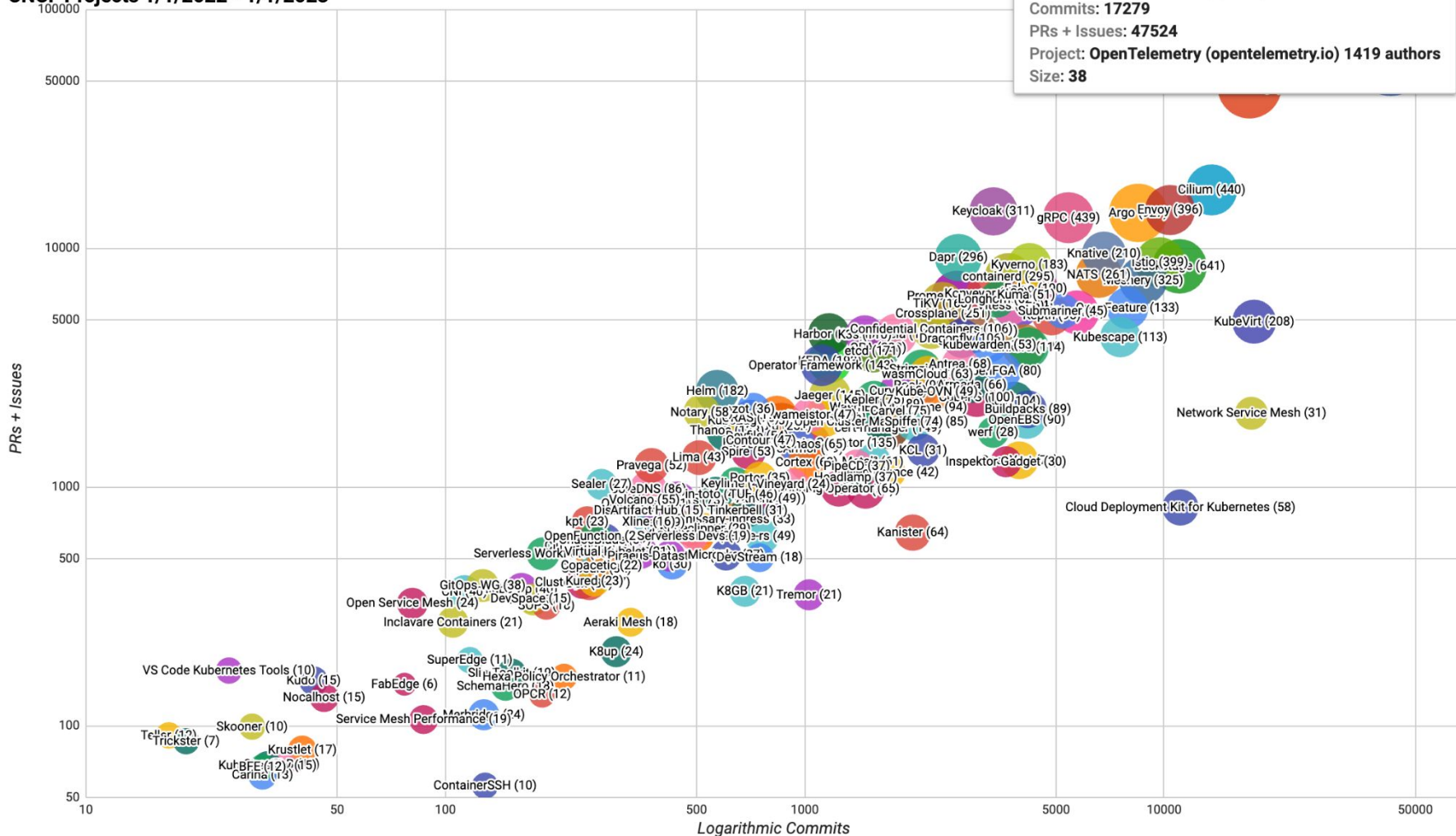


SOON:

SITUATION:
THERE ARE
15 COMPETING
STANDARDS.



CNCF Projects 1/1/2022 - 1/1/2023



OTel super power: Semantic Conventions

[Semantic Conventions](#) | [OpenTelemetry](#)

Connection pools [↗](#)

The following metric instruments describe database client connection pool operations.

Metric: `db.client.connections.usage`

This metric is [required](#).

Name	Instrument Type	Unit (UCUM)	Description
<code>db.client.connections.usage</code>	UpDownCounter	<code>{connection}</code>	The number of connections that are currently in state described by the <code>state</code> attribute

Attribute	Type	Description	Examples	Requirement Level
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[🔗 Create project issue](#)

Connection pools

Metric:
`db.client.connections.usage`

Metric:
`db.client.connections.idle.max`

Metric:
`db.client.connections.idle.min`

Metric:
`db.client.connections.max`

Metric:
`db.client.connections.pending_requests`

Metric:
`db.client.connections.timeouts`



Demo

Implementing change internally

Implementing change

- Make change easy & obvious
 - Measure and showcase at every step.
 - We had **many** changes which failed because it wasn't easy or obvious why.
- Find the emotional argument to compliment the logical ones.
 - *Sleep better at night.*
- What is measured is what changes
- Find areas where things are working
 - Find the reproducible parts and leverage people to spread change



Open Standards

- Others are trying to do the same thing
 - Avoid duplication and increase collaboration
 - OpenTelemetry, Prometheus, etc.
- Build on open efforts
 - There will be lots of OSS projects building on top of OTel semantic conventions



Thanks for participating!

Have more questions?

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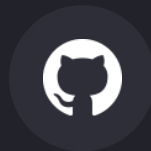
Grafana public slack

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