MASTERING OBSERVABILITY WITH SIGNOZ

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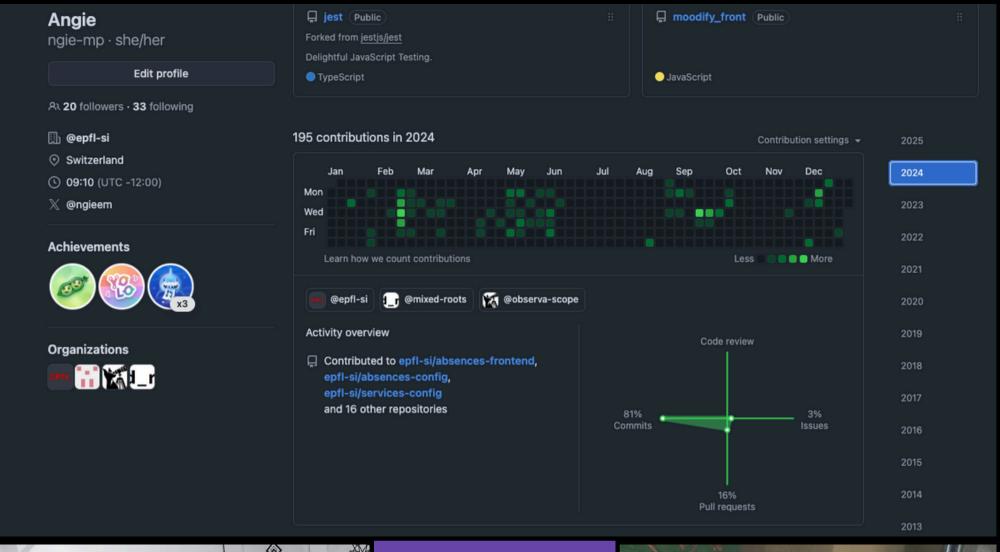






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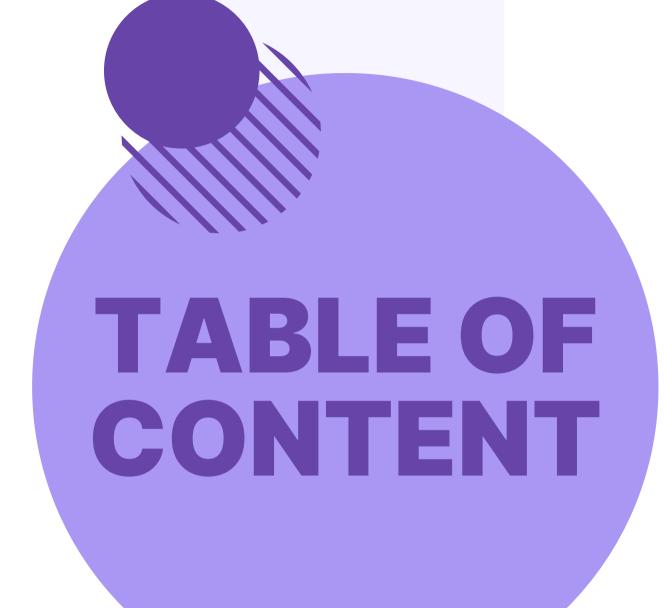
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 activistIn: [
    'teamwork',
    'UX design',
    'communication',
    'innovation',
 goals: [
    'Lead a Team',
    'Learn AI/ML/LLM & +Observability',
   'Transition to Solution Engineer',
 facts: [
    'Exploring observability tools for frontend and backend performance.',
    'Searching for adapted solutions to improve system monitoring.',
    'Learning OpenTelemetry for better tracing and logs.'
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- 01 OBSERVABILITY VS MONITORING
- HOW TO INSTALL SIGNOZ USING THEIR EASY INSTALLATION SCRIPT.
- A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF OPENTELEMETRY AND WHY CODE INSTRUMENTATION IT'S ESSENTIAL FOR OBSERVABILITY.
- DEMO OF SELF-HOSTED SIGNOZ SOLUTION "IN DEPTH"
- 05 EXPLORING SIGNOZ CLOUD TOGETHER
- 06 Q&A

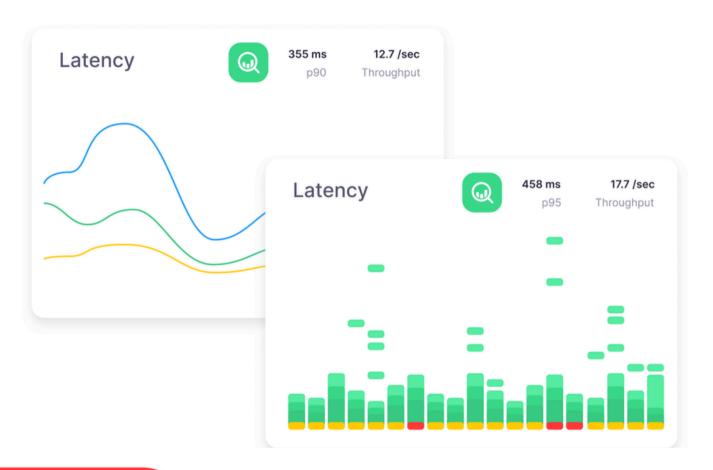




Logs

2021-01-27 10.38.20.442 DEBUG 2021-01-27 10.38.20.442 VERBOSE 2021-01-27 10.38.20.442 INFO 2021-01-27 10.38.20.442 WARNING 2021-01-27 10.38.20.442 ERROR

Metrics







THE OBSERVABILITY JOBS TO BE DONE

Instrumentation

Generating the data that enables you to ask questions

Monitoring

over and over again



Identify •

Determine what needs to be observed (key metrics, logs, traces).

Define key performance indicators (KPIs) and service-level objectives (SLOs).

Understand system dependencies and critical paths.

Collect M

Gather relevant data from logs, metrics, and distributed traces. Use telemetry tools like OpenTelemetry, Prometheus. Ensure data is structured, timestamped, and contextually rich.

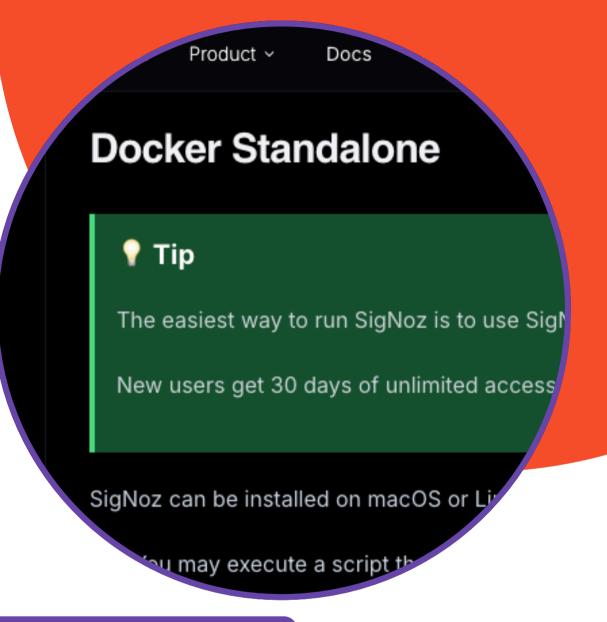
Do (Act & Analyze) /

Correlate and analyze the collected data to detect anomalies. Implement alerts and automated responses for faster issue resolution. Continuously improve the system using insights from observability data.

INTALLING SIGNOZ

What do we need to have Self-Hosted?

- Ensure your system is Linux or macOS.
- For macOS, manually install Docker Engine
- On Linux, the install script will handle it.
- Minimum 4GB of memory allocated to Docker.
- Open ports: 3301, 4317, and 4318.
- Git client installed.



git clone -b main https://github.com/SigNoz/signoz.git && cd signoz/deploy/ ./install.sh

git clone -b main https://github.com/SigNoz/signoz.git && cd signoz/deploy/docker docker compose up -d --remove-orphans



CONTAINERS RUNNING AFTER THE INSTALL

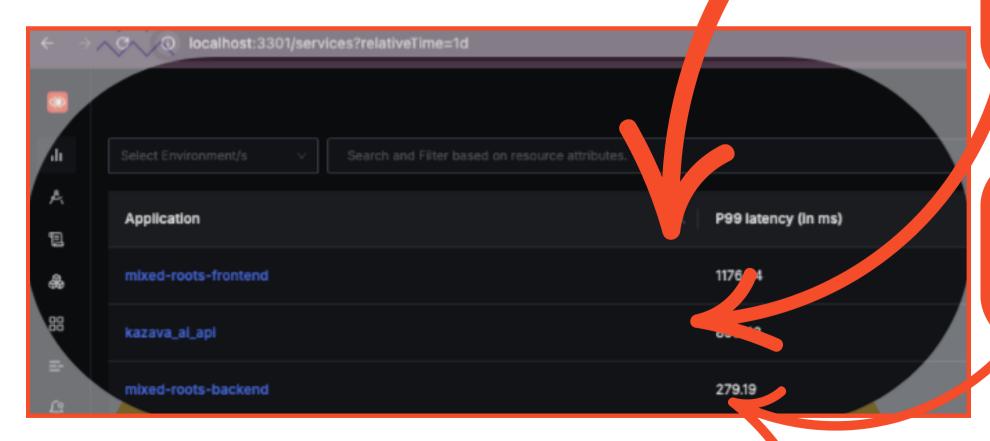
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Created
  Network signoz-net
  Container signoz-zookeeper-1
                                   Healthy
  Container signoz-init-clickhouse Exited
  Container signoz-clickhouse
  Container schema-migrator-sync
  Container schema-migrator-async
                                   Started
  Container signoz-query-service
  Container signoz-otel-collector
                                   Started
  Container signoz-alertmanager
                                   Started
  Container signoz-frontend
                                   Started
  docker git:(main) x docker ps
                                                                                  CREATED
                                                                                                                                                                                  NAMES
CONTAINER ID IMAGE
                                                                                                 STATUS
                                                                                                                        PORTS
f187390df42e signoz/frontend:0.70.0
                                                          "nginx -g 'daemon of..." 22 hours ago Up 22 hours
                                                                                                                        80/tcp, 0.0.0.0:3301->3301/tcp
                                                                                                                                                                                  signoz-frontend
                                                          "/bin/alertmanager -..." 22 hours ago Up 22 hours
6d7a495caec9 signoz/alertmanager:0.23.7
                                                                                                                                                                                  signoz-alertmanager
4b5526aed795 signoz/signoz-otel-collector:0.111.24
                                                          "/signoz-collector -..." 22 hours ago Up 22 hours
                                                                                                                        0.0.0.0:4317-4318->4317-4318/tcp, 0.0.0.0:8082->8082/tcp
                                                                                                                                                                                  signoz-otel-collector
eeec06b85d54 signoz/query-service:0.70.0
                                                          "./query-service --c..." 22 hours ago Up 22 hours (healthy)
                                                                                                                        8080/tcp
                                                                                                                                                                                  signoz-query-service
             clickhouse/clickhouse-server:24.1.2-alpine
a98e07b38980
                                                          "/entrypoint.sh"
                                                                                  22 hours ago Up 22 hours (healthy)
                                                                                                                        8123/tcp, 9000/tcp, 9009/tcp
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5f4e7c1bc352 bitnami/zookeeper:3.7.1
                                                          "/opt/bitnami/script..." 22 hours ago Up 22 hours (healthy) 2181/tcp, 2888/tcp, 3888/tcp, 8080/tcp
                                                                                                                                                                                  signoz-zookeeper-1
d8bb6eb3e500 postgres:15
                                                          "docker-entrypoint.s..." 2 weeks ago Up 2 weeks
                                                                                                                        0.0.0.0:5432->5432/tcp
                                                                                                                                                                                  postgres_container_mixed_roots
```

INSTRUMENTATION WITH OPENTELEMETRY









API: PYTHON + FLASK



BACKEND: NEST.JS



INSTRUMENTATION OF FRONTEND -> NEXT.JS

"node -r ./otel-setup.js node_modules/.bin/next dev -p 3001"

```
dependencies": {
 "@opentelemetry/api": "^1.9.0",
 "@opentelemetry/api-logs": "^0.57.0",
 @opentelemetry/auto-instrumentations-node"
 '@opentelemetry/exporter-otlp-grpc": "^0.26
 '@opentelemetry/exporter-trace-otlp-http":
 '@opentelemetry/instrumentation": "^0.57.0"
 "@opentelemetry/instrumentation-fetch": "^0
 '@opentelemetry/instrumentation-http": "^0.5
 "@opentelemetry/sdk-logs": "^0.57.0",
 "@opentelemetry/sdk-node": "^0.56.0",
 '@opentelemetry/sdk-trace-base": "^1.30.0",
 "@opentelemetry/sdk-trace-web": "^1.30.0",
 "@opentelemetry/semantic-conventions": "^1.2
 "@tailwindcss/forms": "^0.5.9",
 "@tailwindcss/typography": "^0.5.15",
 "@types/express": "^5.0.0",
 "@vercel/otel": "^1.10.0",
 "axios": "^1.7.9",
"chart.js": "^4.4.7",
"express": "^4.21.2",
"install": "^0.13.0",
 "next": "15.0.3",
 "react": "^18.3.1",
```

```
const { WebTracerProvider } = require('@opentelemetry/sdk-trace-web'); 56.1k (gzipped: 15.3k)
const { BatchSpanProcessor } = require('@opentelemetry/sdk-trace-base'); 49.3k (gzipped: 12.7k)
const { FetchInstrumentation } = require('@opentelemetry/instrumentation-fetch'); 89k (gzipped: 25.5k)
const { registerInstrumentations } = require('@opentelemetry/instrumentation'); 77.2k (gzipped: 22k)
const { OTLPTraceExporter } = require('@opentelemetry/exporter-trace-otlp-http'); 20.6k (gzipped: 6.3k)
const { Resource } = require('@opentelemetry/resources'); 28.9k (gzipped: 6.3k)
const { SemanticResourceAttributes } = require('@opentelemetry/semantic-conventions'); 35.2k (gzipped: 1
const { diag, DiagConsoleLogger, DiagLogLevel } = require('@opentelemetry/api'); 19.8k (gzipped: 5.5k)
// Set diagnostics for debugging
diag.setLogger(new DiagConsoleLogger(), DiagLogLevel.INF0);
// Dynamic service name
const serviceName = process.env.OTEL SERVICE NAME || 'mixed-roots-frontend';
console.log('Using service name:', serviceName);
// Initialize Tracer Provider
const provider = new WebTracerProvider({
to add a breakpoint esource({
   [SemantithesourceAttributes.SERVICE_NAME]: serviceName,
 }),
}):
// OTLP Trace Exporter
const otlpExporter = new OTLPTraceExporter({
 url: 'http://localhost:4318/v1/traces', // Update as needed
provider.addSpanProcessor(new BatchSpanProcessor(otlpExporter));
// Fetch Instrumentation (for browser apps)
registerInstrumentations({
 instrumentations: [new FetchInstrumentation()],
```

INSTRUMENTATION OF API -> PYTHON + FLASK

(venv) → foodAI git:(main) x OTEL_RESOURCE_ATTRIBUTES=service.name=kazava_ai_api OTEL_EXPORTER_OT
LP_ENDPOINT="http://127.0.0.1:4317" OTEL_EXPORTER_OTLP_PROTOCOL=grpc opentelemetry-instrument fla
sk run --host 0.0.0.0 --port 8084

Overriding of current TracerProvider is not allowed

Attempting to instrument Flask app while already instrumented

Some weights of BertForSequenceClassification were not initialized from the model checkpoint at be rt-base-uncased and are newly initialized: ['classifier.bias', 'classifier.weight']

You should probably TRAIN this model on a down-stream task to be able to use it for predictions an d inference.

* Debug mode: off

INFO:werkzeug:WARNING: This is a development server. Do not use it in a production deployment. Use a production WSGI server instead.

- * Running on all addresses (0.0.0.0)
- * Running on http://127.0.0.1:8084
- * Running on http://192.168.49.40:8084

INFO:werkzeug:Press CTRL+C to quit

→ foodAI git:(main) x bat requirements.txt

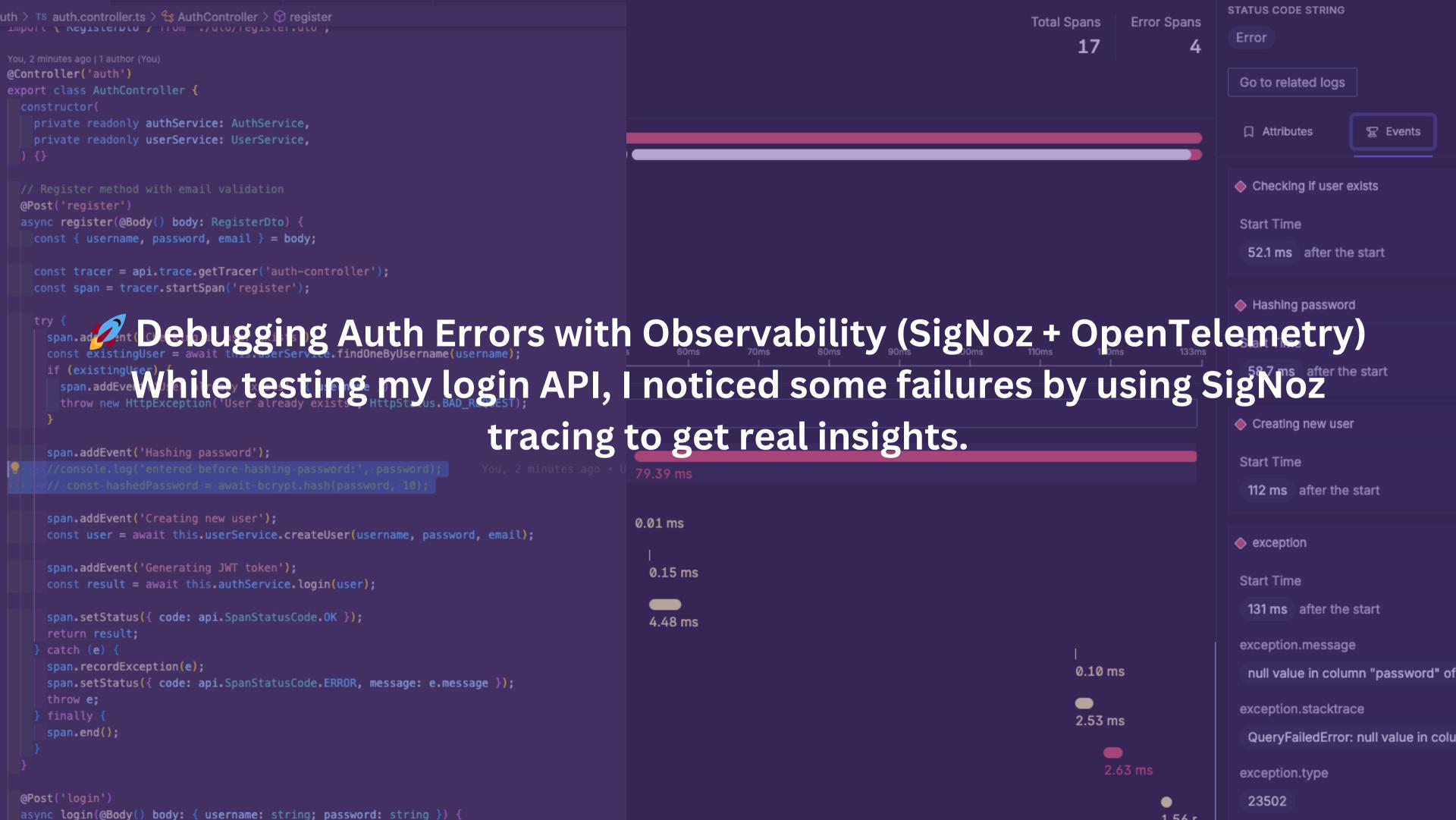
	File: requirements.txt
	flask
	flask-cors
	transformers
4	torch
	opentelemetry-api
	opentelemetry-sdk
	opentelemetry-instrumentation-flask

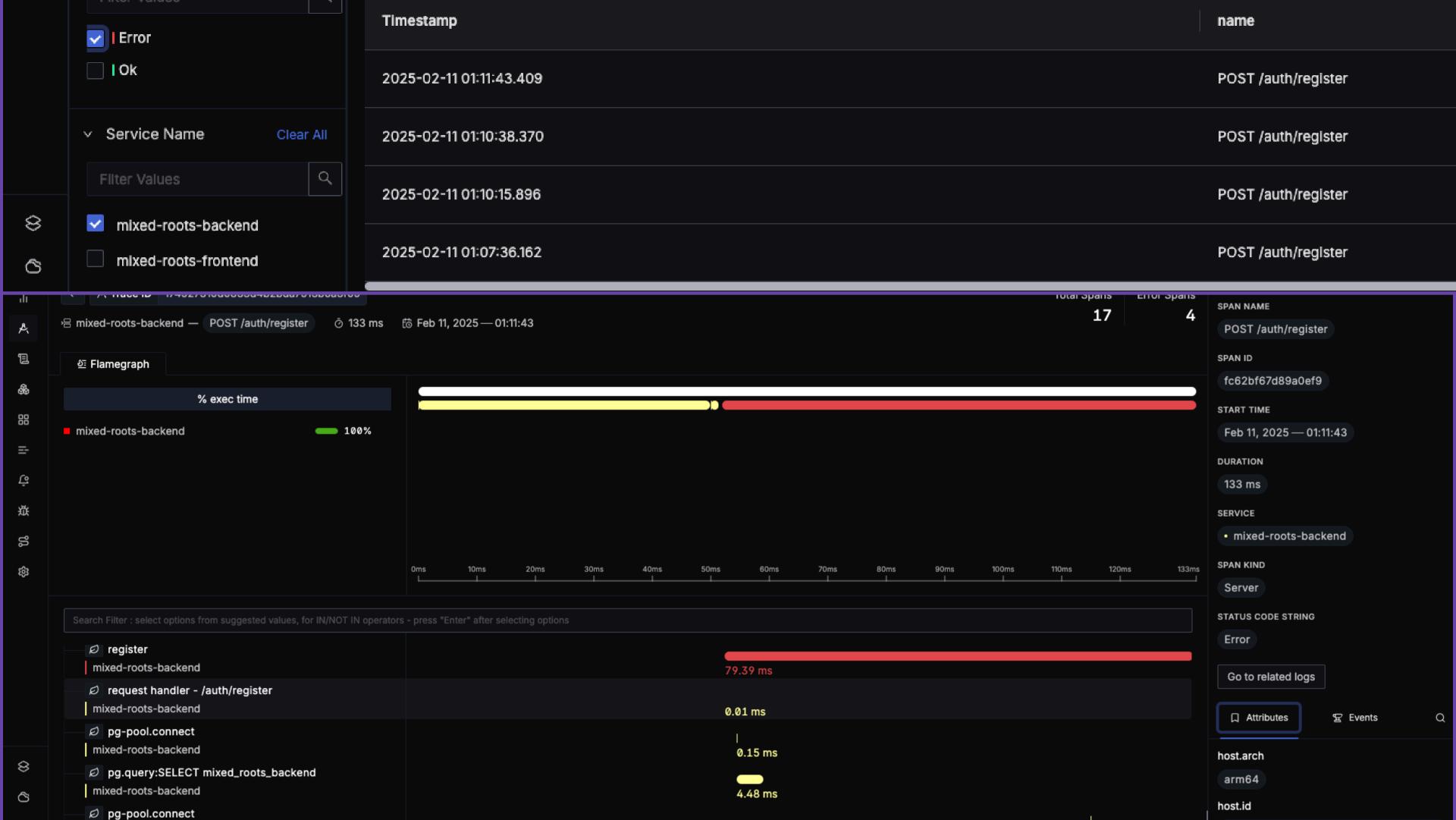
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from flask import Flask, request, jsonify
from flask cors import CORS
import torch
from transformers import AutoTokenizer, AutoModelForSequenceClassification
import ison
import logging
from opentelemetry import trace
from opentelemetry.instrumentation.flask import FlaskInstrumentor
from opentelemetry.sdk.trace import TracerProvider
from opentelemetry.sdk.trace.export import BatchSpanProcessor
from opentelemetry.exporter.otlp.proto.grpc.trace_exporter import OTLPSpanExporter
# Set up OpenTelemetry tracing
trace.set tracer provider(TracerProvider())
tracer = trace.get_tracer(__name__)
# Set up OTLP exporter
otlp exporter = OTLPSpanExporter(endpoint="localhost:4317", insecure=True)
span processor = BatchSpanProcessor(otlp exporter)
trace.get_tracer_provider().add_span_processor(span_processor)
# Flask setup
app = Flask(__name__)
FlaskInstrumentor().instrument_app(app)
CORS(app, origins=[
    "http://localhost:3001",
    "http://12.0.0.1:3005",
    "http://127.0.0.1:82"
# Logging configuration
logging.basicConfig(level=logging.INFO)
logger = logging.getLogger(__name__)
# Load Hugging Face model and tokenizer
    with tracer.start_as_current_span("model_loading"):
        model_name = "bert-base-uncased" # Replace with a fine-tuned model
        tokenizer = AutoTokenizer.from_pretrained(model_name)
        model = AutoModelForSequenceClassification.from_pretrained(model_name)
except Exception as e:
    current_span = trace.get_current_span()
    current_span.add_event("Error loading model", {"error_message": str(e)})
    logger.error(f"Error loading Hugging Face model: {str(e)}")
    raise
# Load the meal data
try:
    with tracer.start_as_current_span("load_meal_data"):
        with open('data.json') as f:
```

INSTRUMENTATION OF BACKEND -> NEST.JS

```
import { getNodeAutoInstrumentations } from '@opentelemetry/auto-instrumentations-node';
import { OTLPTraceExporter } from '@opentelemetry/exporter-trace-otlp-http'; 12.2k (gzipped: 3.9k
import { Resource } from '@opentelemetry/resources'; 4.1k (gzipped: 1.6k)
import * as opentelemetry from '@opentelemetry/sdk-node';
import { SemanticResourceAttributes } from '@opentelemetry/semantic-conventions'; 2.3k (gzipped:
import {
PeriodicExportingMetricReader,
ConsoleMetricExporter,
from '@opentelemetry/sdk-metrics'; 36k (gzipped: 8.4k)
import { diag, DiagConsoleLogger, DiagLogLevel } from '@opentelemetry/api'; 5.5k (gzipped: 2k)
import { HttpInstrumentation } from '@opentelemetry/instrumentation-http';
import { PgInstrumentation } from '@opentelemetry/instrumentation-pg';
const init = function (serviceName: string) {
diag.setLogger(new DiagConsoleLogger(), DiagLogLevel.INF0);
// Define traces
const traceExporter = new OTLPTraceExporter({
  url: 'http://localhost:4318/v1/traces',
 }):
 const sdk = new opentelemetry.NodeSDK({
   traceExporter.
   metricReader: new PeriodicExportingMetricReader({
    exporter: new ConsoleMetricExporter(),
   instrumentations: [
    getNodeAutoInstrumentations(),
    new HttpInstrumentation(),
    new PgInstrumentation(),
   resource: new Resource({
     [SemanticResourceAttributes.SERVICE NAME]: serviceName,
 sdk.start();
process.on('SIGTERM', () => {
```

```
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import { NestFactory } from '@nestjs/core';
import { AppModule } from './app.module';
import { WinstonLoggerService } from './logger/winston-logger.service';
import init from './tracers';
// Initialize OpenTelemetry SDK before any NestJS modules are loaded
init('mixed-roots-backend');
async function bootstrap() {
 // Ensure OpenTelemetry is initialized first
 console.log('OpenTelemetry is initialized.');
 // Create NestJS application
 const app = await NestFactory.create(AppModule, { cors: true });
 const customLogger = new WinstonLoggerService();
 customLogger.log('Application is starting...');
 // Enable CORS
 app.enableCors({
   origin: 'http://localhost:3001', // URL of your Next.js app
   credentials: true, // Allow cookies or authentication tokens
   allowedHeaders: ['traceparent', 'tracestate', 'content-type'],
 });
 console.log('NestJS application is about to listen on port 3005...');
 //app.useGlobalPipes(new ValidationPipe({ transform: true }));
 // Start the NestJS app
 await app.listen(3005);
bootstrap();
```





CONCLUSION

Debugging Without Observability is Like Cooking Blindfolded >.<

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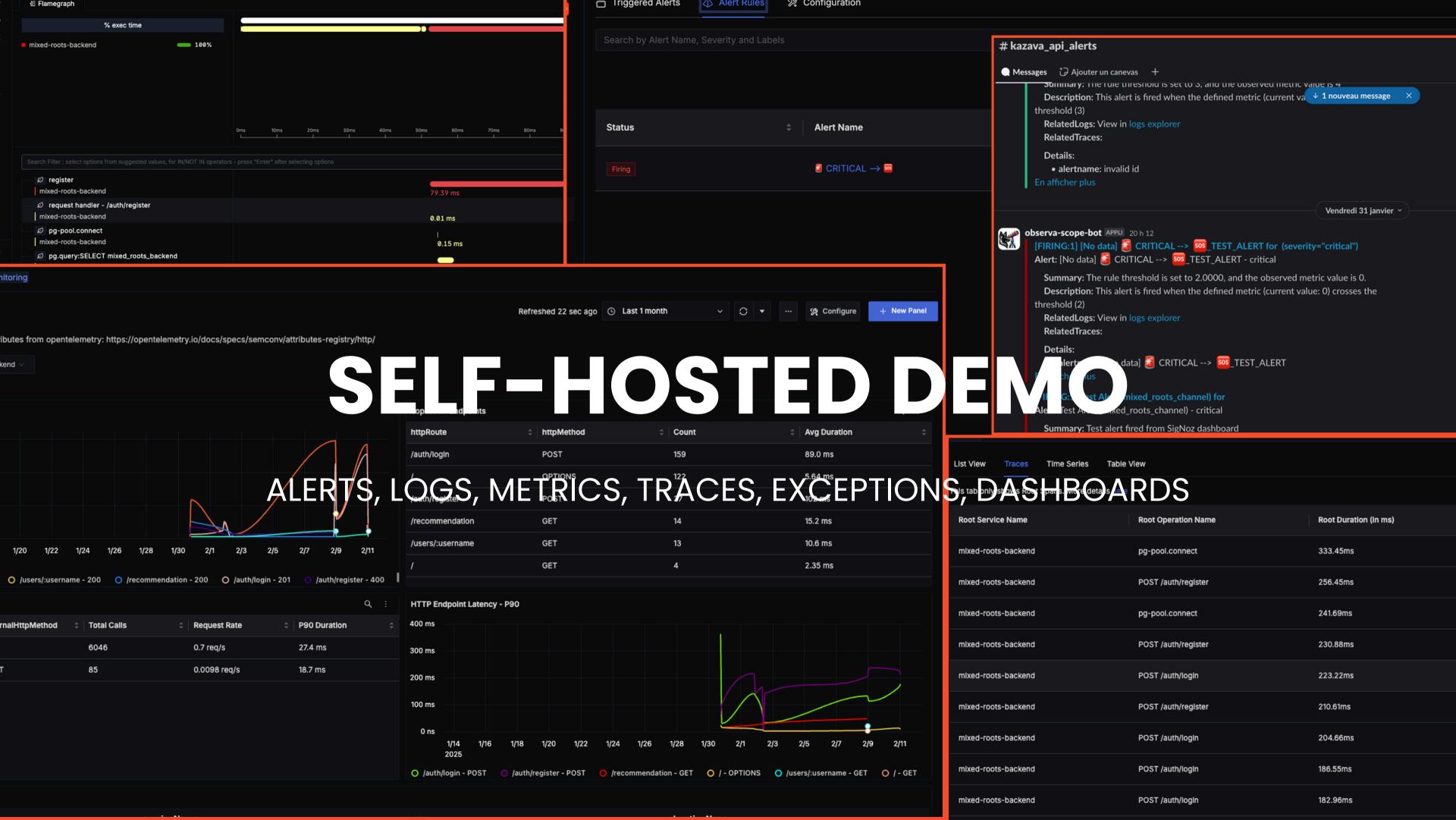
Imagine trying to cook a perfect dish without seeing, smelling, or tasting, just hoping it turns out right. That's what debugging without observability feels like!

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I instrumented my backend with SigNoz + OpenTelemetry, and boom 👋 instead of blindly guessing why logins failed, I got 🏖 :

- Precise error tracking (invalid credentials spotted instantly)
- Step-by-step execution flow (no more black-box debugging)
- Real-time insights to fix issues fast

Observability isn't a luxury, it's the recipe for reliable systems. No more guesswork, just data-driven fixes!



SIGNOZ DASHBOARDS

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Available Dashboards

Below is a list of available dashboard templates in this repository:

- Hostmetrics Dashboard: Monitors general host metrics, including CPU, memory, and disk usage.
- Kubernetes Infra Dashboard: Visualizes metrics related to Kubernetes infrastructure.
- Key Operations Dashboard: Tracks key operations within an application, focusing on performance and reliability.
- Apache Web Server Dashboard: Monitors Apache web server metrics like request rates and active connections.
- APM Dashboard: Visualizes application performance metrics, including latency, throughput, and error rates.
- Docker Container Metrics Dashboard: Tracks metrics related to Docker containers, such as CPU and memory usage.
- CouchDB Dashboard: Monitors CouchDB-specific metrics, such as document read/write rates.
- ECS Infrastructure Metrics Dashboard: Visualizes metrics for Amazon ECS infrastructure.
- Flask Monitoring Dashboard: Monitors performance metrics for Flask applications.
- HAProxy Dashboard: Monitors HAProxy metrics such as request rates and active sessions.
- Jenkins Dashboard: Tracks Jenkins metrics, including job success rates and queue times.
- JMX Dashboard: Monitors Java Management Extensions (JMX) metrics.
- JVM Dashboard: Tracks JVM metrics, including heap usage, garbage collection, and thread counts.
- Memcached Dashboard: Visualizes Memcached-specific metrics, such as cache hit/miss rates.
- MongoDB Dashboard: Monitors MongoDB operations, memory usage, and performance metrics.
- MySQL Dashboard: Tracks MySQL metrics, including gueries per second and connection errors.
- Nginx Dashboard: Monitors Nginx web server metrics, including request rates and active connections.
- Nomad Dashboard: Visualizes metrics for HashiCorp Nomad.
- PostgreSQL Dashboard: Monitors PostgreSQL performance metrics.
- RabbitMQ Dashboard: Tracks RabbitMQ metrics like gueue sizes and message throughput.
- Temporal.io Dashboard: Monitors Temporal.io workflow metrics.
- LLM Observability Dashboard: Visualizes metrics for monitoring large language models.
- SigNoz Ingestion Analysis: Visualizes the volume the metrics, traces and logs ingested into SigNoz. Useful for cost optimization.
- KEDA Dashboard: Monitors metrics for KEDA, a Kubernetes-based event-driven autoscaling component.

LET'S EXPLORE SIGNOZ CLOUD TOGETHER!

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