

Observability Passport: Navigating the What, Where, and When of Your Frontend App

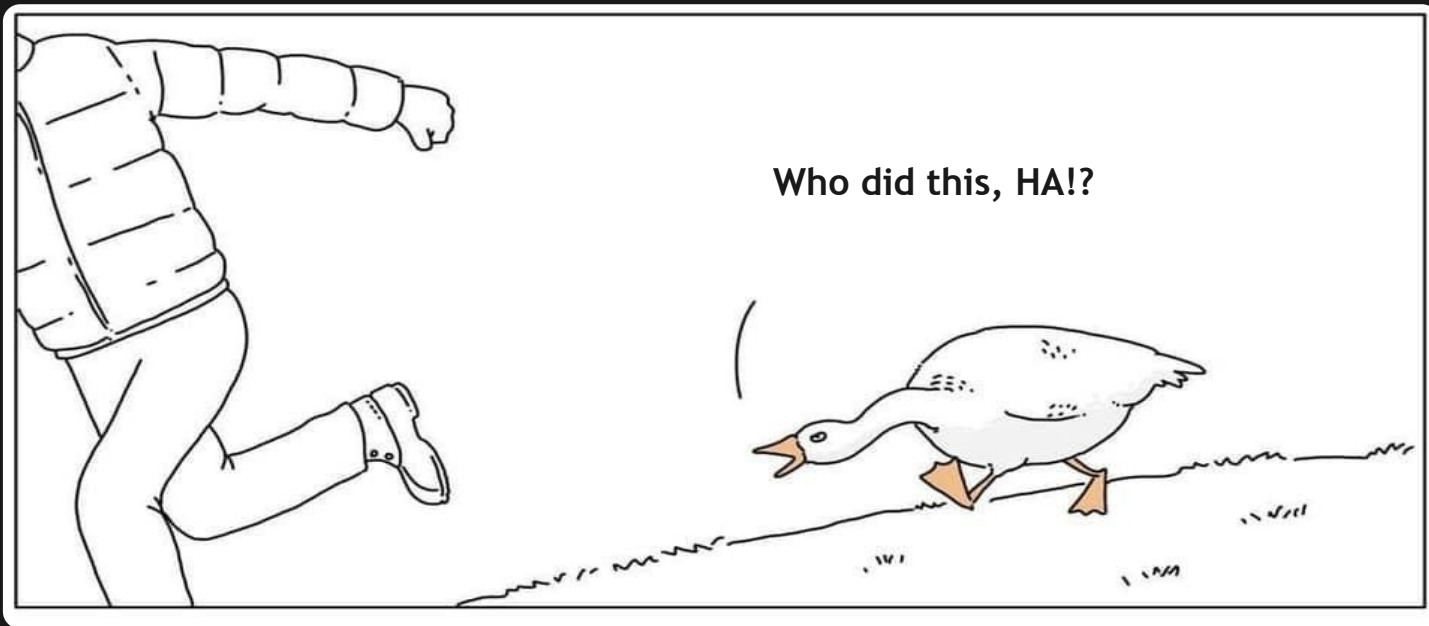




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Something broke



Hotels and apartments

Air tickets

Transfers

Car rentals

Train tickets

Pick-up place

Airport, train station, or city

Drop-off location

Airport, train station, or city

Pick-up date

19 May, Mon

Time

12:00

Drop-off date

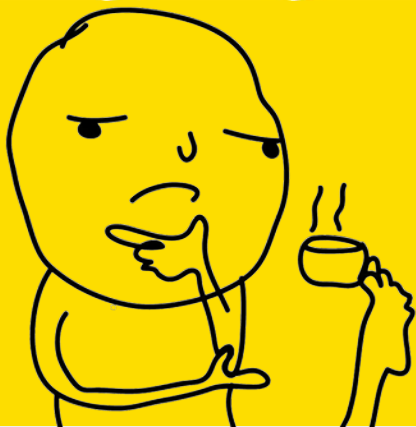
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Time

12:00

Search

Driver's age ☒ 26 - 69 years 





**How can we really know
that a product works and
works properly?**





Three Pillars of Observability

Metrics

Traces

Logs





In this presentation you learn...

- **Monitoring and Observability**
- **Metrics** and their types
- Pure technical **metrics**
- **SLA, SLO, SLI**
- **Observability Passport**

Metrics

Technical

- CPU usage
- RAM usage
- API response time

Business

- Conversion
- Retention
- Revenue



Hybrid metrics

Web Vitals

- FCP
- LCP
- TTFB

Error Rate

- 500
- 499





SLA
SLO
SLI

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Service **L**evel **A**greement

SLO

SLI

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Service **L**evel **A**greement

Service **L**evel **O**bjective

SLI



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Service **L**evel **I**ndicator



How do these metrics
help to solve problems?



- Evaluate the current service level
- Help prioritize tasks
- Help communicate with business



Error Budget

$$EB = 100\% - 99.(9)\%$$

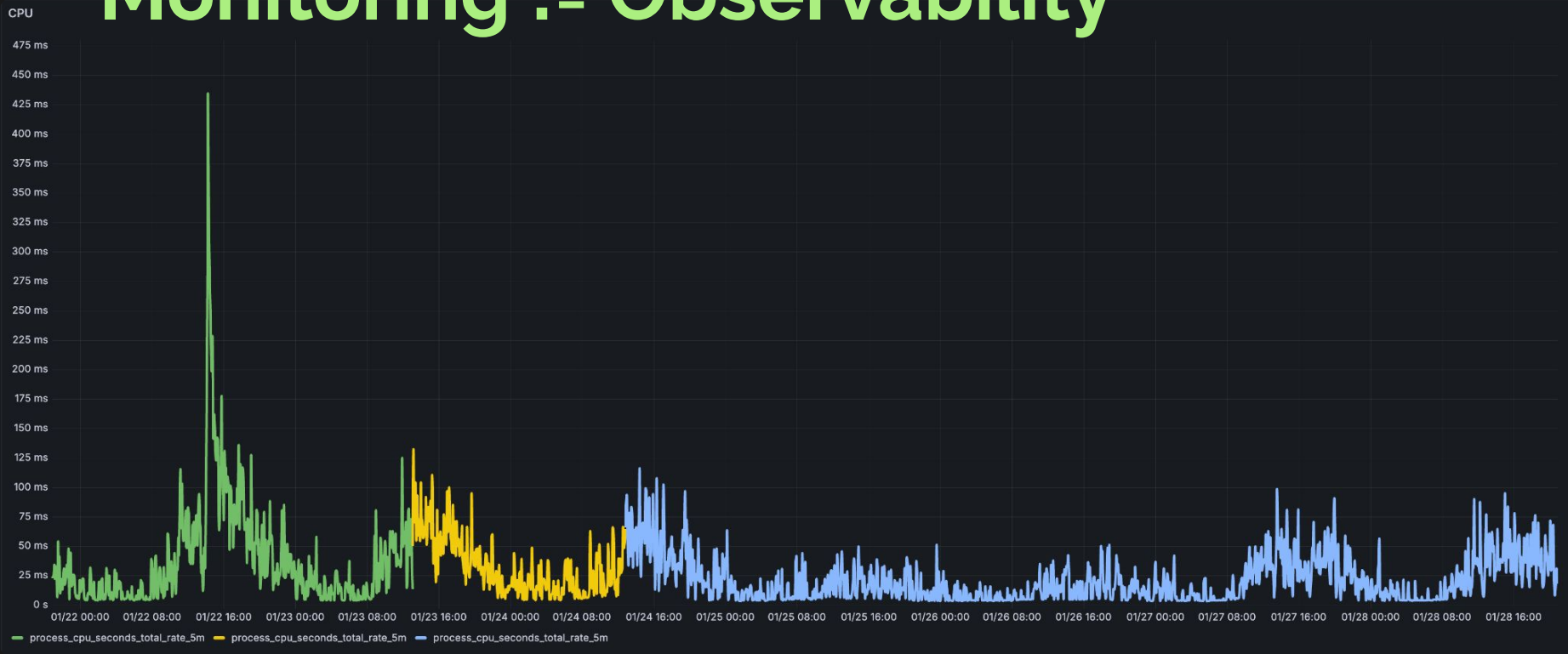
What does Error Budget affect?

- Determines priorities
- Simplifies decision making
- Helps find balance



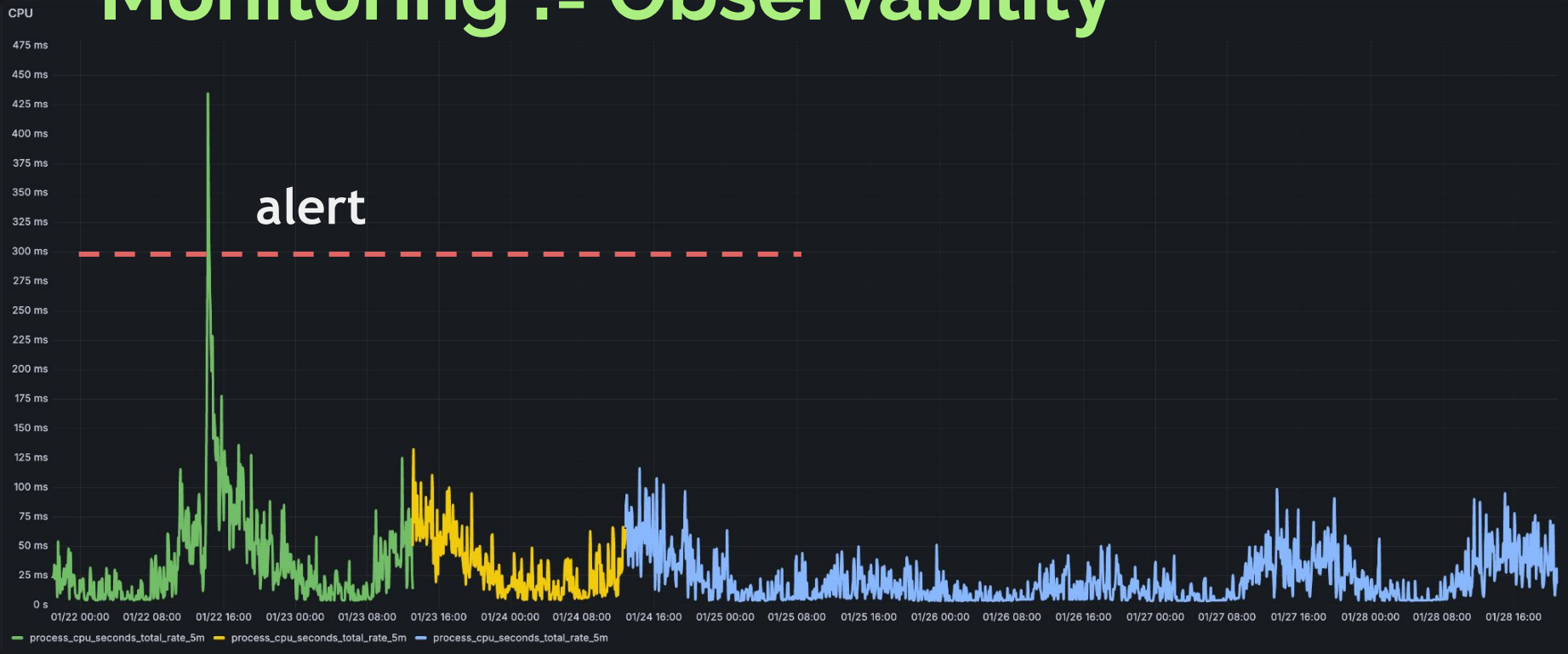


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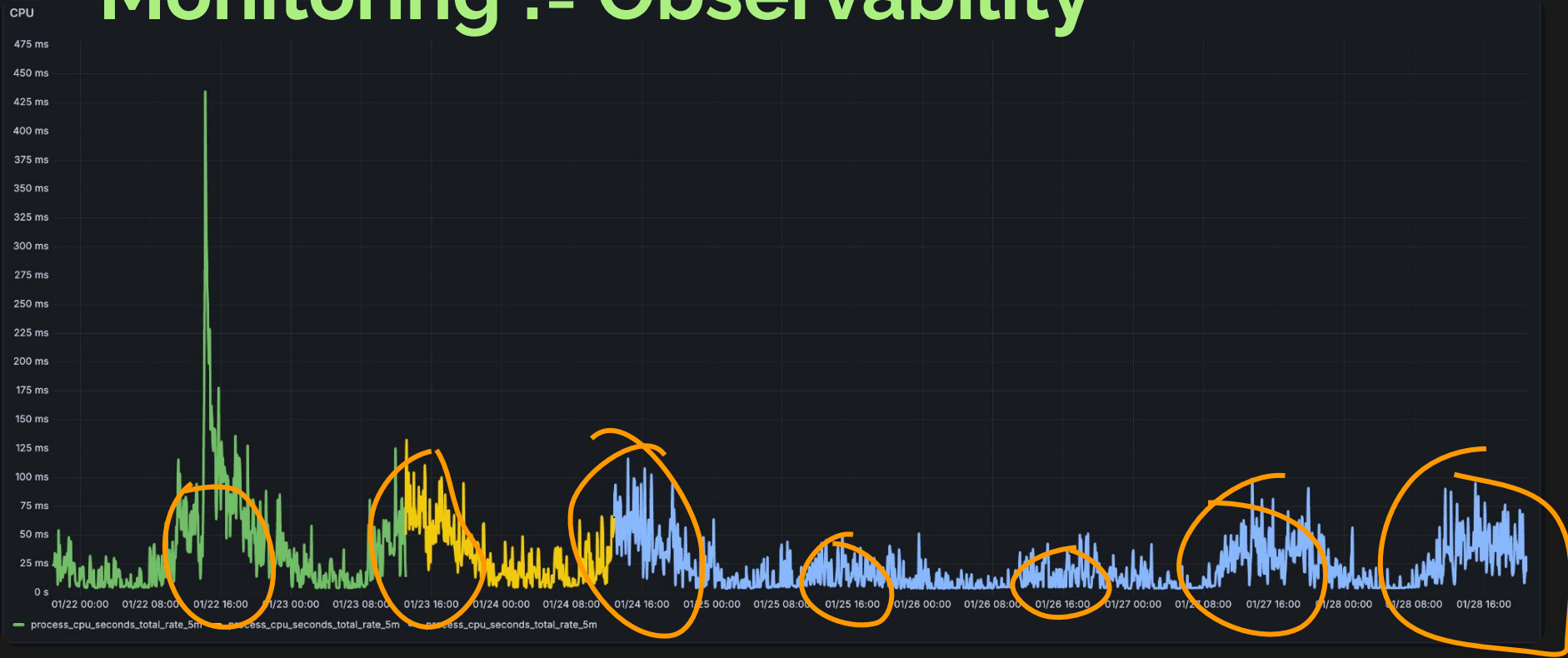


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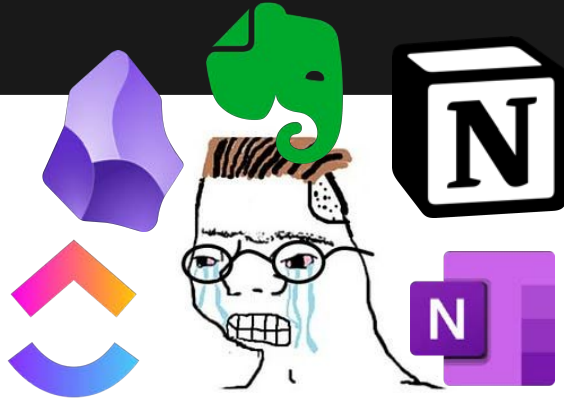
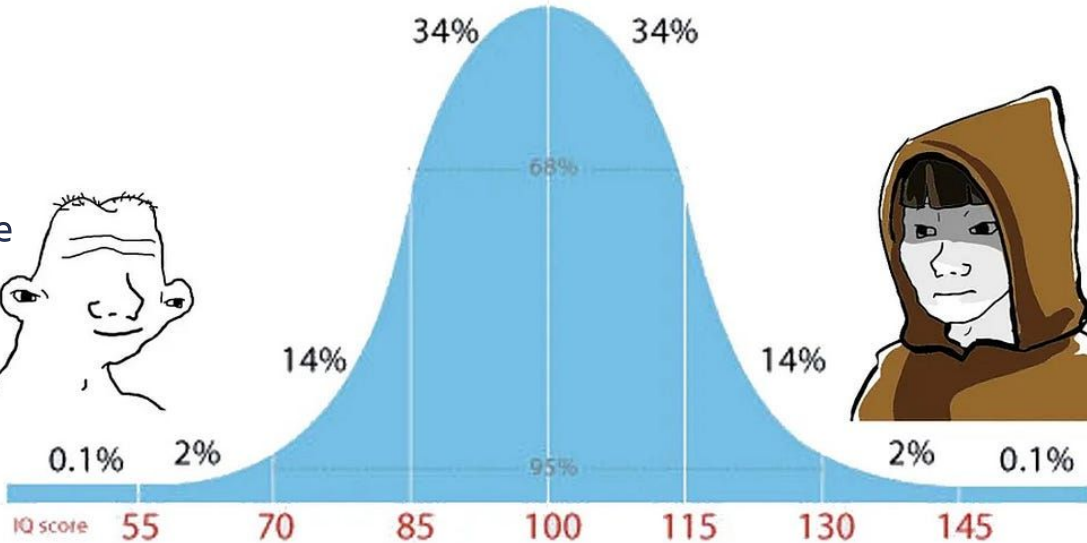
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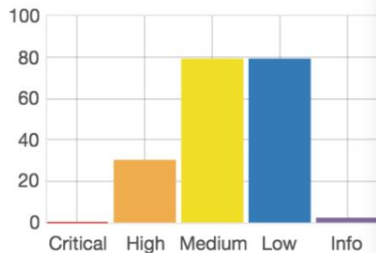
How to analyze code?

- Linting
- Testing
- Scanning





190 Open Findings



Opened since Mon., Aug. 29, 2016

Metadata

Business Criticality	High
Product Type	Research and Development
Platform	Web
Lifecycle	Construction
Origin	Third Party Library
User Records	1,000
Revenue	50,000.00

DEFECT DOJO



Bodgeit F vulnerable

Overview

Metrics

Engagements 37

Findings 190

Description

Bodgeit

- Easy to install - just requires java and a servlet engine, e.g. Tomcat
- Self contained (no additional dependencies other than to 2 in the above line)
- Easy to change on the fly - all the functionality is implemented in JSPs, so no
- Open source* No separate db to install and configure - it uses an 'in memory' up
- More testing

Metrics

0

CRITICAL

30

HIGH

79

MEDIUM

79

LOW



SLO = 0

Number of critical vulnerabilities in production. If the number is greater than 0, nothing new is rolled out.



Description

Vulnerability scanners cars-frontend

Metrics



What's common in all SLA's?

- Identify areas to monitor
- Define - what is an error?
- Set an error budget
- Collect error/metric data
- Visualize data in dashboards
- Set up alerts as needed
- Assign owners and define response protocols for incidents

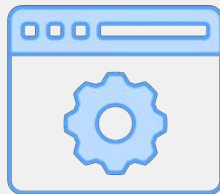


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Logs – records of some events

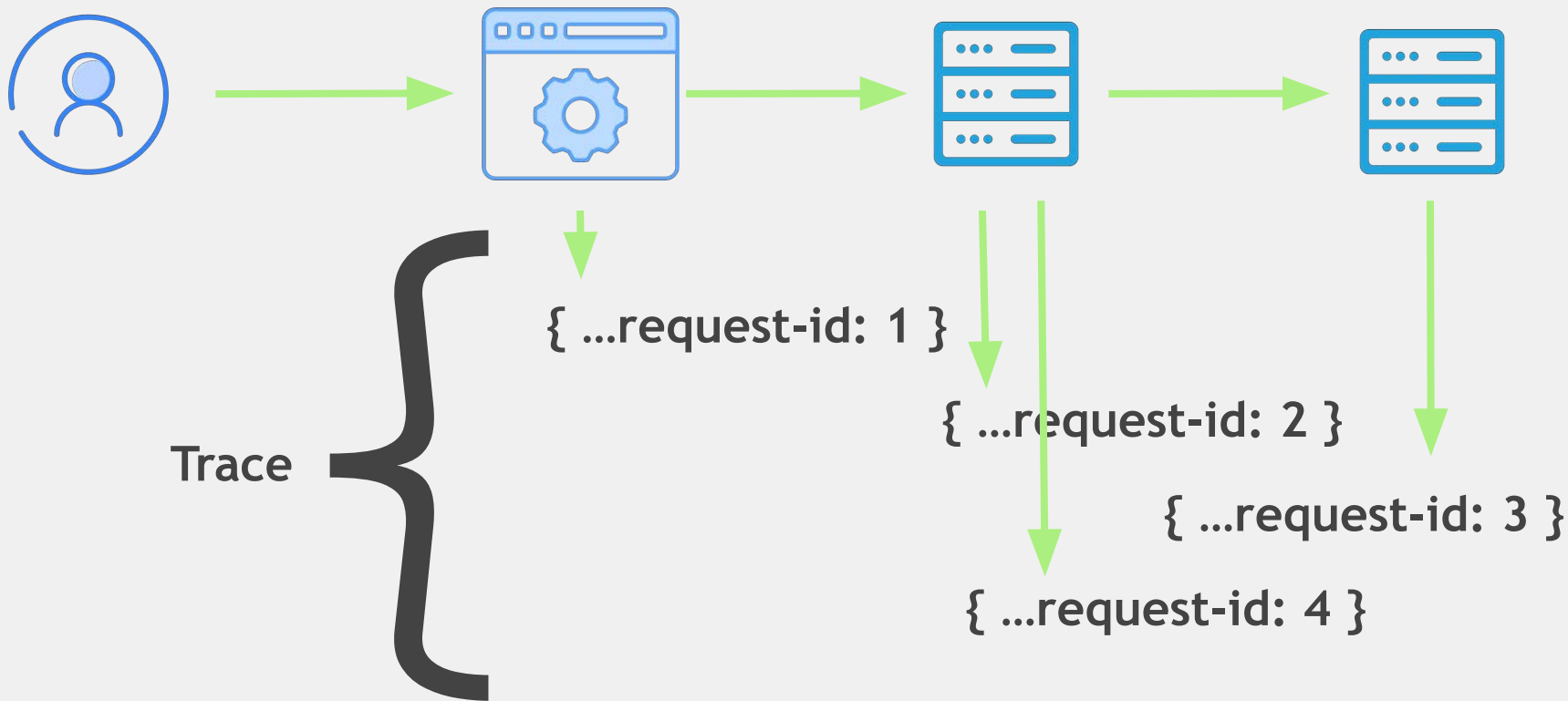


{ time: 08:00, x-request-id: 1 }

{ time: 08:01, x-request-id: 2 }

{ time: 08:02, x-request-id: 3 }

Traces – records of all events



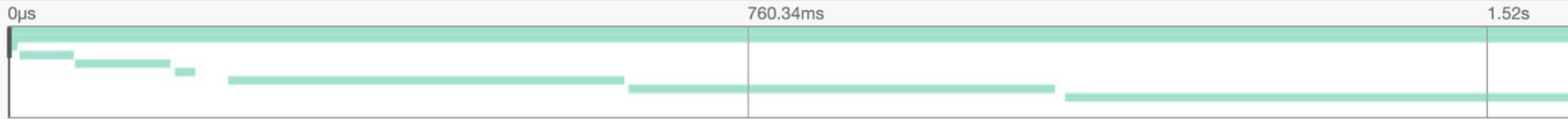
Trace Start January 30 2025, 16:34:28.842

Duration 3.04s

Services 1

Depth 3

Total Spans 11



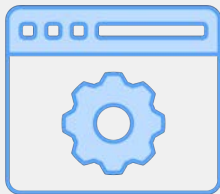
Service & Operation

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0µs760.34ms

▼ railwaycore-web POST /offers/search	
▼ railwaycore-web http://railwaycore.p.ostrovok.ru/offers/search	
railwaycore-web POST /offers/search http receive	1.79ms
railwaycore-web https://plutarch.dev.ostrovok.in/v1/contracts	55.67ms
railwaycore-web https://railwayadmin.p.ostrovok.ru/api/v1/contracts/...	98.09ms
railwaycore-web https://currency.ostrovok.in/v1/rates_history	20.68ms
railwaycore-web https://ctproxy-ng.ostrovok.in/v1/get_stations_by_c...	407.14ms
railwaycore-web https://ctproxy-ng.ostrovok.in/v1/get_stations_by_c...	438.14ms
! railwaycore-web https://api-test.onelya.ru/Railway/V1/Search/Trai...	1.9s
railwaycore-web POST /offers/search http send	
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Profiles – detailed records



Profile

```
{  
  step: warm_up, time: 12ms, mem: 12b,  
  step: get_data, time: 200ms, mem: 242b,  
  step: process, time: 137ms, mem: 44b,  
  ...  
}
```

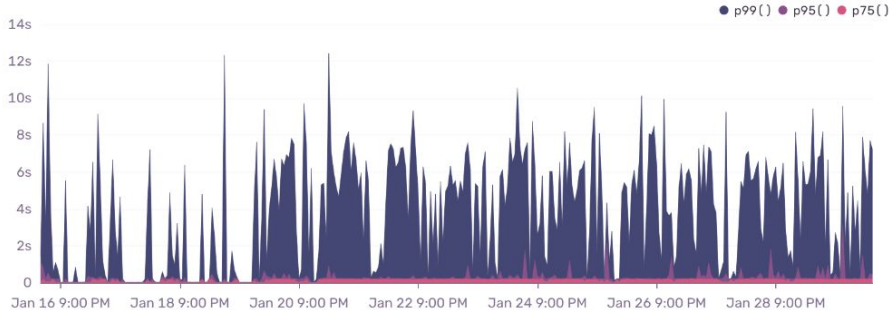


Slowest Transactions

Slowest transactions that could use some optimization.

GET /cars	12.41s	^
SLOWEST APP FUNCTIONS		
this	TOTAL SELF TIME	COUNT
	23.60s	2304
TLSSocket.getPeerCertificate	19.76s	1855
BaseContext.userId	18.51s	1809
Socket._writeGeneric	17.22s	1640
publish	16.20s	1580
/cars/	4.76s	v
GET /app/cars/api/orders/[id]/voucher	2.88s	v

Profiles Duration



TRANSACTION ↓	PROJECT	LAST SEEN	P75()	P95()	P99()	COUNT()
POST /cars/book/[id]	cars-frontend	Jan 30, 2025 1:05:45 PM UTC	535.28ms	1.95s	4.07s	449
POST /cars/book/*/	cars-frontend	Jan 24, 2025 3:25:23 AM UTC	14.14ms	22.18ms	32.90ms	26
POST /cars/	cars-frontend	Jan 24, 2025 9:30:54 AM UTC	8.48ms	15.11ms	25.97ms	302
POST /cars	cars-frontend	Jan 30, 2025 1:43:12 PM UTC	75.42ms	162.64ms	806.16ms	4.5k

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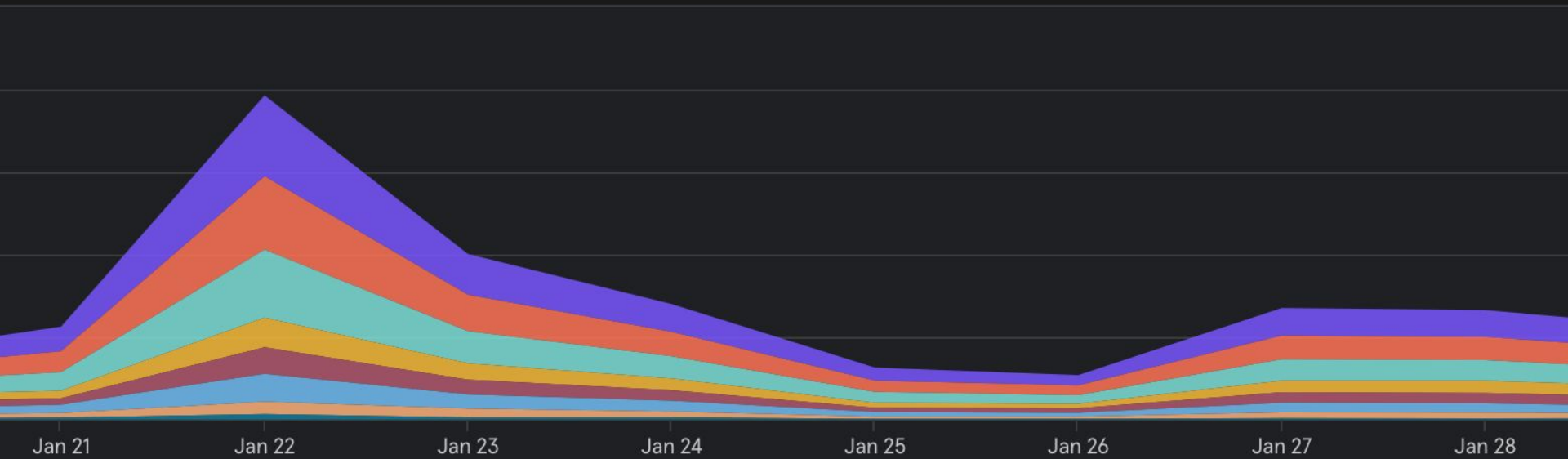
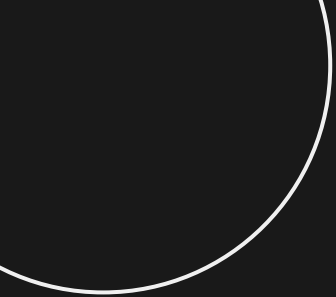
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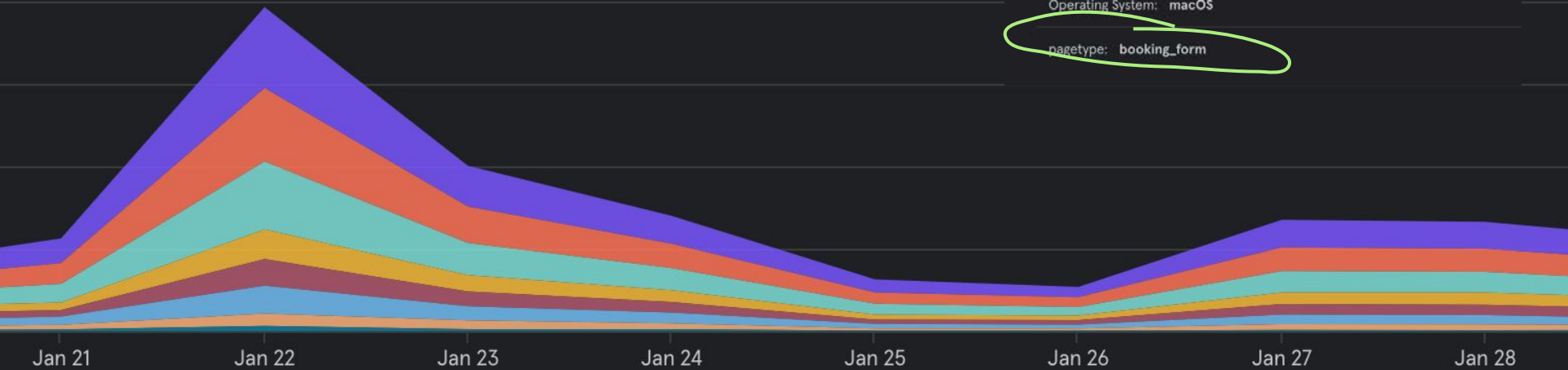


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- SLA for availability
- Test coverage
- Swagger





Observability Passport

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Project	Stand	Sentry	Logs	Metrics	Stats	Defect Dojo	SLO	Error Budget	Coverage	Swagger
Cars Frontend	DEV PROD	DEV PROD	DEV PROD	PROD	PROD	PROD	PROD	PROD	coverage 29.67%	DEV

Description

- **Stand** - internal domain for frontend project.
- **Sentry** - logger for issues combined by error name. Shows the number of events for a selected period, and provides a bunch of additional information, such as user data, browser data, stack trace, request, response, and other related details.
- **Logs** - aggregates and displays system and application logs, enabling efficient search, filtering, and analysis to quickly identify patterns and troubleshoot issues.
- **Metrics** - collects real-time performance and system indicators (such as response times, error rates, resource usage, etc.) to provide insights into the overall health and efficiency of the application.
- **Stats** - implemented using Zabbix, this component gathers metrics and statistics from containers, presenting aggregated data from logs and performance indicators in the form of graphs and dashboards. It offers a comprehensive overview of trends, usage patterns, and performance over time.
- **Defect Dojo** - checks dependencies for potential vulnerabilities, rates them by risk, and suggests updated versions to enhance security.
- **SLO** - Service Level Objectives define the target performance and availability standards for the application, providing benchmarks against which the system's performance is measured.
- **Error Budget** - represents the allowable threshold for errors or downtime relative to the defined SLOs, helping balance system reliability with the pace of new feature development and improvements.
- **Coverage** - indicates the percentage of code covered by automated tests, ensuring reliability and quality by highlighting untested areas that might be prone to defects.
- **Swagger** - provides interactive API documentation generated directly from source code annotations, allowing developers to easily explore, understand, and test API endpoints.



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