Architectures for Distributed Systems

Architectural styles are formulated in terms of

- components with well-defined interfaces
- the way that components are connected to each other through connectors
- the data exchanged between components

Connector: a mechanism that mediates communication, coordination, or cooperation among components.

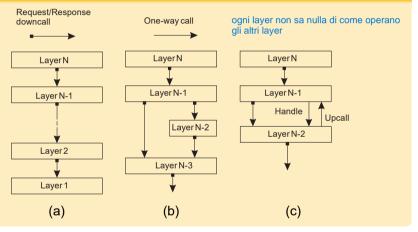
Connector examples: facilities for (remote) procedure call, messaging, or streaming.

Architectural styles:

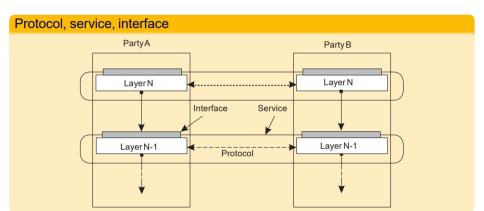
- Layered
- Object based
- Resource centered
- Publich-subscribe or event based

Layered architectures

Different layered organizations



Example: communication protocols



Application Layering

Traditional three-layered view

Application-interface layer contains units for interfacing to users or external applications

Processing layer contains the functions of an application, i.e., without specific data

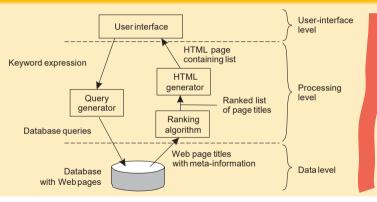
Data layer contains the data that a client wants to manipulate through the application components

Observation

This layering is found in many distributed information systems, using traditional database technology and accompanying applications.

Application Layering

Example: a simple search engine

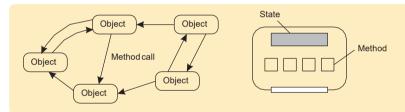


Object-based architectures

object distribuiti nel sistema, che interagiscono fra di loro

Essence

Components are objects, connected to each other through procedure calls. Objects may be placed on different machines; calls can thus execute across a network.

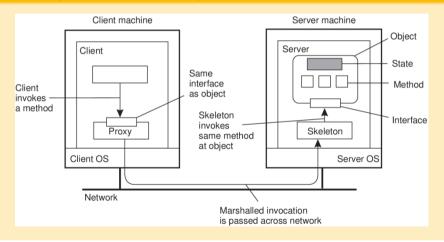


Encapsulation

Objects are said to encapsulate data and offer methods on that data without revealing the internal implementation.

Object based architectures

Remote object with client-side proxy



Evolution: Service Oriented architectures, service composition

Resource centered architectures

Essence

View a distributed system as a collection of resources, individually managed by components. Resources may be added, removed, retrieved, and modified by (remote) applications.

- 1. Resources are identified through a single naming scheme
- 2. All services offer the same interface
- 3. Messages sent to or from a service are fully self-described
- 4. After executing an operation at a service, that component forgets everything about the caller

Example: RESTful basic operations

utilizza il restful model quindi con le seguenti operazioni

Operation	Description
PUT	Create a new resource
GET	Retrieve the state of a resource in some representation
DELETE	Delete a resource
POST	Modify a resource by transferring a new state

Example: Amazon's Simple Storage Service

Essence

Objects (i.e., files) are placed into buckets (i.e., directories). Buckets cannot be placed into buckets. Operations on ObjectName in bucket BucketName require the following identifier:

http://BucketName.s3.amazonaws.com/ObjectName

Typical operations

All operations are carried out by sending HTTP requests:

Create a bucket/object: PUT, along with the URI Listing objects: GET on a bucket name Reading an object: GET on a full URI

On interfaces

Issue

Many people like RESTful approaches because the interface to a service is so simple. The catch is that much needs to be done in the parameter space.

Amazon S3 SOAP interface

Bucket operations	Object operations	
ListAllMyBuckets	PutObjectInline	
CreateBucket	PutObject	
DeleteBucket	CopyObject	
ListBucket	GetObject	
GetBucketAccessControlPolicy	GetObjectExtended	
SetBucketAccessControlPolicy	DeleteObject	
GetBucketLoggingStatus	GetObjectAccessControlPolicy	
SetBucketLoggingStatus	SetObjectAccessControlPolicy	

On interfaces

Simplifications

Assume an interface bucket offering an operation create, requiring an input string such as <code>mybucket</code>, for creating a bucket "mybucket."

SOAP

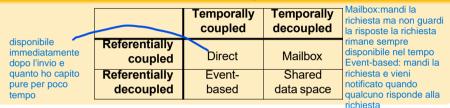
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import bucket
bucket.create("mybucket")
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RESTful

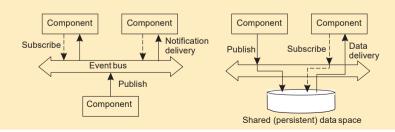
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PUT "http://mybucket.s3.amazonsws.com/"
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Publish - Subscribe architectures

Coordination: temporal and referential coupling



Event-based and Shared data space



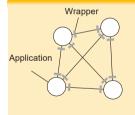
Using legacy to build middleware

Problem

The interfaces offered by a legacy component are most likely not suitable for all applications.

A wrapper or adapter offers an interface acceptable to a client application. Its functions are transformed into those available at the component.

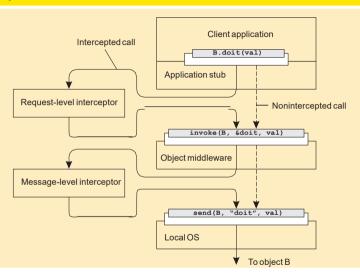
Two solutions: 1-on-1 or through a broker



Complexity with N applications

1-on-1: requires
$$N \times (N-1) = O(N^2)$$
 wrappers
broker: requires $2N = O(N)$ wrappers

Intercept the usual flow of control



Evolution → modifiable middleware

Implementig Architectural styles: Systems

Centralized systems

Basic Client-Server Model

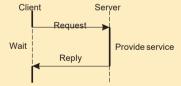
Characteristics:

There are processes offering services (servers)

There are processes that use services (clients)

Clients and servers can be on different machines

Clients follow request/reply model with respect to using services



Multi-tiered centralized system architectures

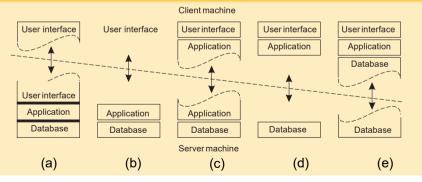
Some traditional organizations

Single-tiered: dumb terminal/mainframe configuration

Two-tiered: client/single server configuration

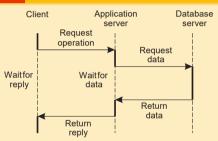
Three-tiered: each layer on separate machine

Traditional two-tiered configurations



Being client and server at the same time

Three-tiered architecture



Alternative organizations

Vertical distribution

Comes from dividing distributed applications into three logical layers, and running the components from each layer on a different server (machine).

Horizontal distribution

A client or server may be physically split up into logically equivalent parts, but each part is operating on its own share of the complete data set.

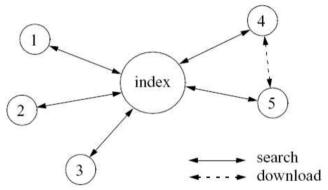
Peer-to-peer architectures

Processes are all equal: the functions that need to be carried out are represented by every process ⇒ each process will act as a client and a server at the same time (i.e., acting as a servant).

Centralized directory model

tipo piu semplice

come trovare il server che si occupa del servizio a cui sono interessato, si passa per il nodo centrale che si occupa della gestione



Request routing models

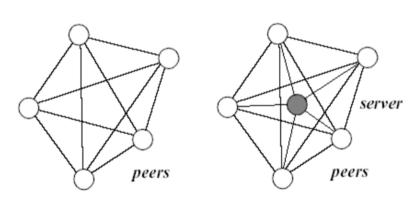
Flooding: issuing node *u* passes request for *d* to all neighbors. Request is ignored when receiving node had seen it before. Otherwise, *v* searches locally for *d* (recursively). May be limited by a Time-To-Live: a maximum number of hops

search qui non abbiamo un nodo centrale, ma le richieste sono inviate nel network. come puo funzionare? Floding replicando il messaggio a tutti I nodi, in questo modo becchi quello che ti interessa Random Walk limitare il numero d repliche di messaggi viene inviato caso a nodi

Random walk: issuing node *u* passes request for *d* to randomly chosen neighbor, *v* . If *v* does not have *d* , it forwards request to one of *its* randomly chosen neighbors, and so on.

Introduction: P2P overlay models

P2P= pear to pear system



Pure P2P

Hybrid P2P

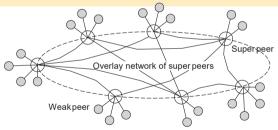
Super-peer networks

Essence

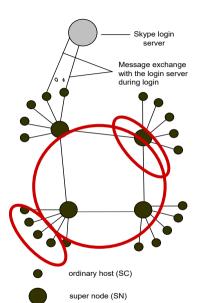
It is sometimes sensible to break the symmetry in pure peer-to-peer networks:

When searching in unstructured P2P systems, having index servers improves performance

Deciding where to store data can often be done more efficiently through



Example: the Skype network



neighbor relationships in the Skype network

The Skype Network

- Ordinary host (OH)
 - A Skype client
- Super nodes (SN)
 - A Skype client
 - Has public IP address, 'sufficient' bandwidth, CPU and memory
- Login server
 - Stores Skype id's, passwords, and buddy lists
 - Used at login for authentication

Skype's principle operation: A wants to contact B

Both A and B are on the public Internet

A TCP connection is set up between *A* and *B* for control packets. The actual call takes place using UDP packets between negotiated ports.

A operates behind a firewall, while B is on the public Internet

A sets up a TCP connection (for control packets) to a super peer S S sets up a TCP connection (for relaying control packets) to B The actual call takes place through UDP and directly between A and B

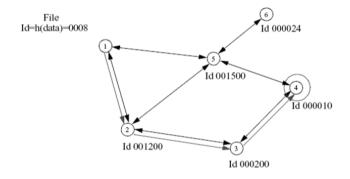
Both A and B operate behind a firewall

A connects to an online super peer S through TCP S sets up TCP connection to B.

For the actual call, another super peer is contacted to act as a relay R: A sets up a connection to R, and so will B.

All voice traffic is forwarded over the two TCP connections, and through $\,{\it R}.\,$

Document routing model



Structured P2P

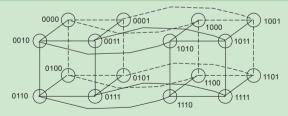
Essence

Make use of a semantic-free index: each data item is uniquely associated with a key, in turn used as an index. Common practice: use a hash function

key(data item) = hash(data item's value).

P2P system now responsible for storing (key,value) pairs.

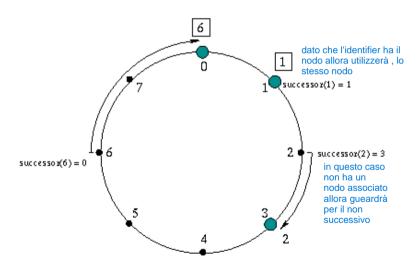
Simple example: hypercube

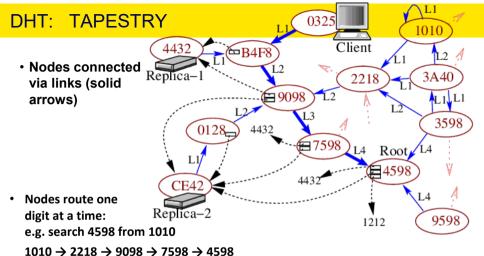


Looking up d with key $k \in \{0, 1, 2, ..., 2^4 - 1\}$ means routing request to node with identifier k.

DHT: CHORD

solo 3 nodi ma 8 identifier

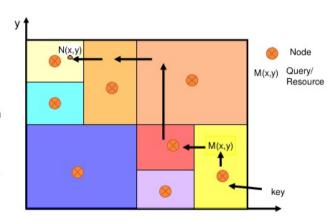




- Objects are associated with one particular "root "node (e.g. 4598).
- Servers publish replicas by sending messages toward root, leaving backpointers (dotted arrows).
- Clients route directly to replicas by sending messages toward root until encountering pointer (e.g. 0325 → B4F8 → 4432)

Content Addressable Network

- □ d-dimensional space with n zones where d=2 and n=8
- □2 zones are neighbor if d-1 dim overlap
- □Algorithm:
 Choose the neighbor nearest to the destination



P2P architecture's comparison

P2P System	Algorithm Comparison Criteria			
	Parameters	Hops to locate data	Reliability	
Napster	none	constant	Central server returns multiple down- load locations, client can retry	
Gnutella	none	no guarantee	receive multiple replies from peers with available data, requester can retry	
Chord	N - number of peers in network	$\log N$	replicate data on multiple consecutive peers, app retries on failure	
CAN	N - number of peers in network d - number of dimensions	$d \cdot N^{1/d}$	multiple peers responsible for each data item, app retries on failure	
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Hybrid systems: Edge-server architecture

Essence

Systems deployed on the Internet where servers are placed at the edge of the network: the boundary between enterprise networks and the actual Internet.

