Reactive Systems and the Actor model



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Outline

What do we want from Reactive Systems?

How does the Actor Model accomplish this?

The Actor model

The Assignment



What do we want from Reactive Systems?



- ► Resilience
 - ► Isolation and delegation
- ► Elasticity
 - Decentralisation
- ► Message Driven
 - ► Asynchrony and loose coupling
- Responsiveness

How does the Actor Model accomplish this?



Actor model e

- ▶ What is an actor?
 - ► Encapsulated
 - ► Atomic execution
 - ► Location Transparency
- ▶ What can actors do?
 - ► Create other actors
 - ► Send Messages
 - ► Change its own behaviour eg. functions and states

- ► Concurrency
 - ▶ Initialisation of players
- ► Virtual Actors
 - ► Activation/Deactivation
 - ► Resiliency
 - ► Timers vs reminders