Akka Persistence Typed

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History

- Started as an Akka Extension called Eventsourced by Martin Krasser
- Brought into Akka as Akka Persistence in Akka 2.4.0
- Akka Persistence Query in Akka 2.5.0
- Akka Persistence Typed (upcoming 2.6.0)

Code examples based on Akka 2.6.0-M7

Akka Typed - protocol

When defining an Actor, we start by defining it's protocol

```
sealed trait Message
final case class SayHello(name: String) extends Message
final case class ChangeGreeting(greet: String) extends Message
```

Akka Typed - behavior

In Akka Typed, an Actor is just a Behavior function

```
def behavior(greeting: String): Behavior[Message] =
  Behaviors.receiveMessage {
    case SayHello(name) ⇒
      println(s"$greeting $name!")
      Behaviors, same
    case ChangeGreeting(greet) ⇒
      behavior(greet)
```

Akka Typed - ActorContext

```
def behaviorCtx(greeting: String): Behavior[Message] =
  Behaviors.setup { ctx: ActorContext[Message] ⇒
    Behaviors.receiveMessage {
      case SayHello(name) ⇒
        ctx.log.info(s"$greeting $name!")
        Behaviors.same
      case ChangeGreeting(greet) ⇒
        behavior(greet)
```

Akka Typed - ask pattern

There is no 'sender'. If you need to respond to an 'ask', your incoming message must have an ActorRef[R] that you can use to respond.

```
final case class Hello(msg: String)
final case class SayHello(name: String, replyTo: ActorRef[Hello])

def behavior(greeting: String): Behavior[SayHello] =
   Behaviors.receiveMessage {
    case SayHello(name, replyTo) ⇒
        replyTo ! Hello(s"$greeting $name!")
        Behaviors.same
   }
}
```

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    case SayHello(name, replyTo) ⇒
      replyTo ! Hello(s"$greeting $name!")
      Behaviors.same
val greeter: ActorSystem[SayHello] = ActorSystem(behavior("Hello"), "HelloAkka")
val res: Future[Hello] =
  greeter.ask(replyTo ⇒ SayHello("Akka Typed", replyTo))
```

Akka Persistence Typed - Highlights

- Protocol is defined in terms of Command, Event and State
- EventSourcedBehavior instead of Behavior
- Tagging function
- Better controlled snapshotting (number of events and/or predicate)
- Enforced Replies
- Old plugins are still compatible
- Akka Persistence Query untouched, already typed and based on Akka Streams

Commands, Events and State

```
sealed trait AccountCommand
final case class Deposit(amount: Double) extends AccountCommand
final case class Withdraw(amount: Double) extends AccountCommand
case class GetBalance(replyTo: ActorRef[Balance]) extends AccountCommand
sealed trait AccountEvent
final case class Deposited(amount: Double) extends AccountEvent
final case class Withdrawn(amount: Double) extends AccountEvent
case class Account(balance: Double)
```

Command Handler

```
// (State, Command) ⇒ Effect
case class Account(balance: Double) {
  def applyCommand(cmd: AccountCommand): Effect[AccountEvent, Account] =
    cmd match {
    case Deposit(amount) ⇒
        Effect.persist(Deposited(amount))

    // other cases intentionally omitted
  }
}
```

Event Handler

```
// (State, Event) ⇒ State
case class Account(balance: Double) {
  def applyEvent(evt: AccountEvent): Account = {
     evt match {
     case Deposited(amount) ⇒ copy(balance = balance + amount)
        case Withdrawn(amount) ⇒ copy(balance = balance - amount)
     }
  }
}
```

EventSourcedBehavior

```
def behavior(id: String): EventSourcedBehavior[AccountCommand, AccountEvent, Account] = {
    EventSourcedBehavior[AccountCommand, AccountEvent, Account](
        persistenceId = PersistenceId(id),
        emptyState = Account(balance = 0),
        // command handler: (State, Command) ⇒ Effect
        commandHandler = (account, cmd) ⇒ account.applyCommand(cmd),
        // event handler: (State, Event) ⇒ State
        eventHandler = (account, evt) ⇒ account.applyEvent(evt)
    )
}
```

Tagging

```
def behavior(id: String): EventSourcedBehavior[AccountCommand, AccountEvent, Account] = {
  EventSourcedBehavior[AccountCommand, AccountEvent, Account](
    persistenceId = PersistenceId(id),
    emptyState = Account(balance = 0),
    commandHandler = (account, cmd) \Rightarrow account.applyCommand(cmd),
    eventHandler = (account, evt) \Rightarrow account.applyEvent(evt)
  .withTagger {
    // tagging events are useful for querying by tag
    case evt: Deposited ⇒ Set("account", "deposited")
    case evt: Withdrawn ⇒ Set("account", "withdrawn")
```

Snapshots

```
def behavior(id: String): EventSourcedBehavior[AccountCommand, AccountEvent, Account] = {
  EventSourcedBehavior[AccountCommand, AccountEvent, Account](
    persistenceId = PersistenceId(id),
    emptyState = Account(balance = 0),
    commandHandler = (account, cmd) \Rightarrow account.applyCommand(cmd),
    eventHandler = (account, evt) ⇒ account.applyEvent(evt)
  // save a snapshot on every 100 events and keep max 2
  .withRetention(RetentionCriteria.snapshotEvery(numberOfEvents = 100, keepNSnapshots = 2))
  // save a snapshot when a predicate holds
  .snapshotWhen {
    case (account, evt: Withdrawn, seqNr) ⇒ true
                                           \Rightarrow false
    case
```

Some live coding

Cluster Sharding and Persistence

- Manage state over different JVMs
- Knows where is your instance
- Honours single writer principle for Persistence
- Entity Passivation
- Rolling updates without downtime
- Commands must be serializable

Cluster Sharding - EntityContext

```
object Account {
  val typeKey = EntityTypeKey[AccountCommand]("Account")
  def behavior(entityContext: EntityContext):
    EventSourcedBehavior[AccountCommand, AccountEvent, Account] = {
      EventSourcedBehavior[AccountCommand, AccountEvent, Account](
        persistenceId = PersistenceId(entityContext.entityId),
        emptyState = Account(balance = 0),
        commandHandler = (account, cmd) \Rightarrow account.applyCommand(cmd),
        eventHandler = (account, evt) \Rightarrow account.applyEvent(evt)
```

Cluster Sharding - Entity

```
clusterSharding.init(
    Entity(
        Account.typeKey,
        ctx: EntityContext ⇒ Account.behavior(ctx)
    )
)
```

Cluster Sharding - EntityRef

```
val account: EntityRef[AccountCommand] =
  clusterSharding.entityRefFor(
    typeKey = Account.typeKey,
    entityId = "BE50 7314 3515 2919"
)
```

Takeaways

- Declarative API
- Developer can concentrate on modelling
- Types everywhere
- And functions
- Any ⇒ Unit is part of the past
- Event Sourcing opens the door for decoupling your services
- High throughput with append only journals
- Scalability with Cluster Sharding
- Rolling updates when clustered
- Distributed event consuming (included in Lagom, will be extracted)

Thanks for listening

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