

I have seen the top of Akka
Mountain, and it is good!

In One Sentence....

“To help the audience understand Actors,
Supervision, Futures, Routers in both Scala and
Java”

A note about my presentation style

- Trying to achieve the right mix of demonstration and slides.
- Code for this presentation is available on GitHub:
`http://github.com/dhinojosa/akka-study.git`
- Goal is to provide you with code that you can use and reference long after the presentation.
- Presentation slides are also updated as a pdf on the repository.

About Akka

- Set of libraries used to create concurrent, fault-tolerant and scalable applications.
- It contains many API packages:
 - Actors, Logging, Futures, STM, Dispatchers, Finite State Machines, and more...
- We are going to only focus on some of the core items.
- Akka's managing processes can run on
 - in the Same VM
 - in a Remote VM
- Akka's Actor's will replace Scala's Actors

Game changer?

- Imagine life asynchronously
- Actors manage their own state, no leaks
- Easier thread management
- Web sites potentially can become faster because they delegated tasks away
- e.g. What if you need something persisted later, don't necessarily need it right now?
- e.g. What if emails can be sent later on?

Actors

- Based on the Actor Model from Erlang.
- Encapsulates State and Behavior
- Concurrent processors that exchange messages.
- Each message is immutable (cannot be changed, this is required!)
- Each message should not be a closure
- Breath of fresh air if you have suffered concurrency

Actors (The basics)

- Create a message
- Send a message to an actor
- Each message has to be immutable
- Each message should not be a closure.

What does immutable look like? (Java)

```
public class Person {  
    private String firstName;  
    private String lastName;  
  
    public Person(String firstName, String lastName) {  
        this.firstName = firstName;  
        this.lastName = lastName;  
    }  
  
    public String getFirstName() {  
        return firstName;  
    }  
  
    public String getLastName() {  
        return lastName;  
    }  
  
    @Override  
    public boolean equals(Object o) {...}  
  
    @Override  
    public int hashCode() {...}  
}
```


What does immutable look like? (Scala)

```
case class Person(firstName:String, lastName:String)
```

What does closure look like? (Scala)

```
var x = 3
val y = {z:Int => x + z}
def foo(w: Int => Int) = w(5)
foo(y) //8
```

Getting Started with Actors

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Inside the Actor's Studio

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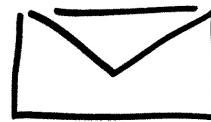
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Actor Visual



How hard is it to set up these actors?

Untyped Actor in Java

```
public class SimpleActorJava extends UntypedActor {
    LoggingAdapter log = Logging.getLogger
        (getContext().system(), this);

    public void onReceive(Object message) {
        if (message instanceof String)
            log.info(
                "Received String message in SimpleActorJava {}",
                message);
        else
            unhandled(message);
    }
}
```


Untyped Actor in Scala

```
class SimpleActorScala extends Actor {  
  val log = Logging(context.system, this)  
  
  def receive = {  
    case "test" ⇒ log.info  
      ("received message test  
       in Simple Actor Scala")  
    case _ ⇒ log.info("received unknown message  
      test in Simple Actor Scala")  
  }  
}
```

How do we run these actors?

Using Actors in Java

```
ActorSystem system = ActorSystem.create("MySystem");  
ActorRef myActor = system.actorOf(  
    new Props(SimpleActorJava.class), "simpleActorJava");  
ActorRef deadLettersActor = system.actorFor("/deadLetters");  
myActor.tell("Bueno!", deadLettersActor);
```

akka-study/src/test/java/akkastudy/simpleactor/java/SimpleActorTest.java

Using Actors in Scala

```
val system = ActorSystem("MySystem")  
val myActor = system.actorOf(Props[SimpleActorScala],  
                             name = "simpleActorScala")  
  
myActor ! "Simple Test"  
myActor ! "test"
```

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Actor System

- Houses Untyped and Typed Actors
- Actors are tasks
 - Typically split up and delegated
 - Minimized to be handled in one piece
- Root of, and supervisor of, all Actors
- Represents one logical application

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Props

- Immutable Configuration Class for each Actor
- Analogous to a recipe for Actor creation and look up
- No argument constructor and factory style creation available

Default Constructor Props in Java

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Factory Props in Java

```
ActorSystem system = ActorSystem.create("MySystem");
ActorRef myActor = system.actorOf(new Props(
    new UntypedActorFactory() {
        @Override
        public Actor create() throws Exception {
            return new SimpleActorJava();
        }
    }), "simpleActorJava");
```

```
ActorRef deadLettersActor = system.actorFor("/deadLetters");
myActor.tell("Bueno!", deadLettersActor);
```

Factory Props in Scala

```
val system = ActorSystem("MySystem")
val myActor = system.actorOf(Props(new SimpleActorScala),
                             name = "simpleActorScala")

myActor ! "Simple Test"
myActor ! "test"
```

actorOf()

- Creates an actor onto a ActorSystem
- Creates an actor given the a set of properties to describe the Actor
- Creates an Actor with an identifiable name, if provided.
- Returns an ActorRef

actorOf in Java

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Actor Refs

- Any subtype of ActorRef
- ActorRef is the only way to interact with an Actor
- Intent is to send messages to Actor that it represents, proxy.
- Each actor has reference to `self()` refers to it's own reference.
- Each actor also has reference to the `sender()`, the actor that sent the message.
- Any reference can be sent to another actor so that actor can send messages to it.

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TYPE IS INFERRED

Various Other Types Of References

- Pure Local Actor References
- Local Actor References
- Local Actor References with Routing
- Remote Actor References
- Promise Actor References
- Dead Letter Actor References
- Cluster Actor References

Sending to an Actor in Java

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Demo of Running an Actor

1. Create an actor

2. Create a context

3. Create a process

4. Run the process

5. Stop the process

6. Destroy the context

7. Destroy the actor

Actor Location

Paths

- Can be local or remote
- Can be absolute or relative

"akka://my-sys/user/service-a/worker1" // purely local

"akka://my-sys@host.example.com:5678/user/service-b"
" // local or remote

"cluster://my-cluster/service-c" // clustered
(Future Extension)

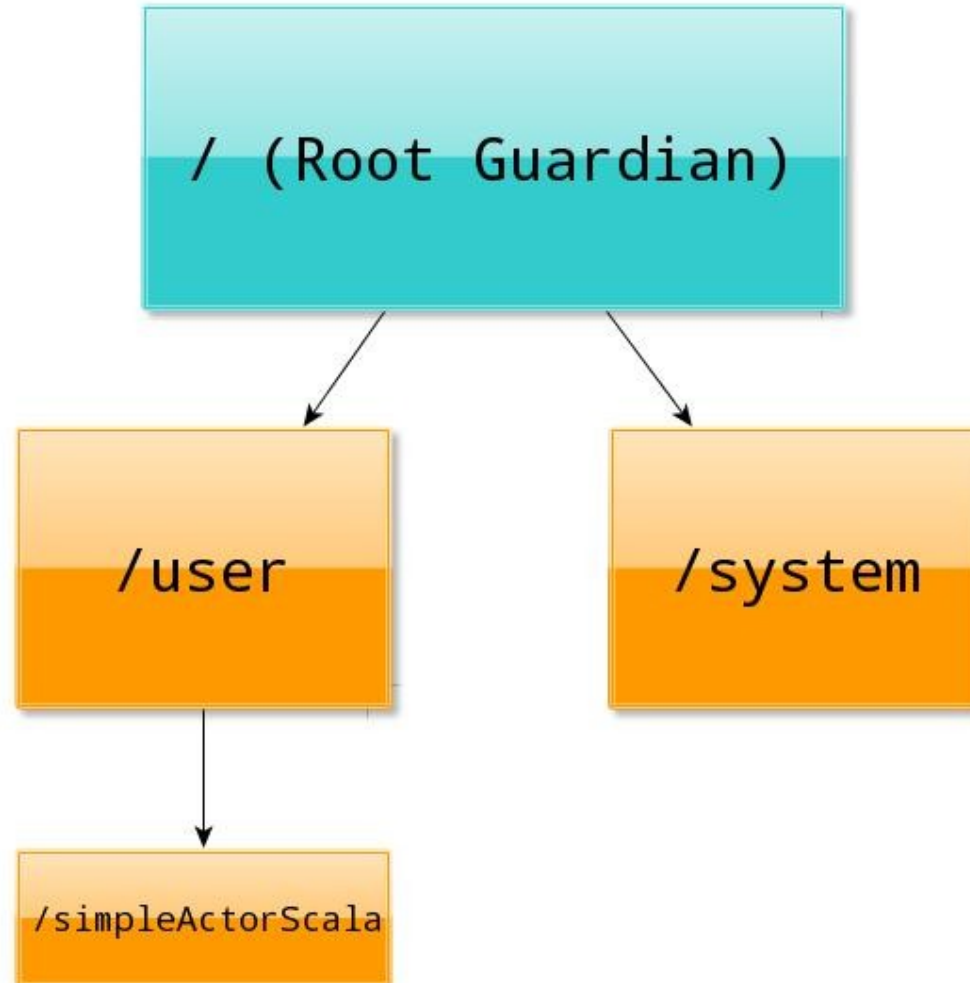
Location Transparency

- Vertical and Horizontal Growth
- Horizontal Growth driven by remoting systems
- Vertical Growth driven by routers
- All configuration based

Logical/Physical Paths

- A logical path is seen as if one element is a without recognized if one actor is remote
- A physical path is the direct path to the server and the direct location.

Anatomy of the Actor System



`akka://{system-name}/user/{actor-name}`

actorFor()

- Actor references can be looked up using `ActorSystem.actorFor` method.
- `ActorSystem.actorFor` can return a local or a remote reference.
- Reference can be used as long as the actor is alive.
- Only ever looks up an existing actor, i.e. does not create one.
- For Local Actor References
 - The actor must exist
 - If not, you will receive an `EmptyLocalActorRef`
- For Remote Actor References
 - A search by path on the remote system will occur.

actorFor()

```
val system = ActorSystem("MySystem")

system.actorOf(Props[SimpleActorScala],
name = "simpleActorJava")

val myActor = system.actorFor
("akka://MySystem/user/simpleActorJava")

myActor ! "Simple Test"
```

Typed Actor

- POJO and Actor Hybrids
- Consists of Two Parts, a public interface, and an implementation
- Cannot use ``become`/`unbecome`` to the type.
- Proxied
- Use Sparingly

Typed Actor in Java

```
public class Person {  
    private String firstName;  
    private String lastName;  
    //bunch of junk  
}
```

```
public interface RegistrationActor {  
    public void registerPerson(Person person);  
    public int getCount();  
}
```

Typed Actor in Java

```
public class RegistrationActorImpl
    implements RegistrationActor, TypedActor.PreStart {

    private List<Person> people;

    @Override
    public void preStart() {
        this.people = new ArrayList<>();
    }

    @Override
    public void registerPerson(Person person) {
        this.people.add(person);
    }

    @Override
    public int getCount() {
        return people.size();
    }
}
```


Running the Typed Actor in Java

```
ActorSystem system = ActorSystem.create("MySystem");
RegistrationActor registrationActor =
    TypedActor.get(system).typedActorOf(
        new
        TypedProps<RegistrationActorImpl>(RegistrationActor.class,
RegistrationActorImpl.class), "registrationActor");
    registrationActor.registerPerson(new Person("Abraham",
"Lincoln"));
```

Typed Actor in Scala

```
case class Person(firstName: String, lastName: String)

trait RegistrationActor {
  def registerPerson(person: Person)

  def getCount: Int
}

class RegistrationActorImpl extends RegistrationActor {
  var list = List[Person]()

  def registerPerson(person: Person) {
    list = list :+ person
  }

  def getCount: Int = list.size
}
```

Running the Typed Actor in Scala

```
val system = ActorSystem("MySystem")
val registrationActor = TypedActor(system)
    .typedActorOf(
        TypedProps[RegistrationActorImpl],
        name = "registrationActor")
registrationActor.registerPerson(Person("Cesar", "Chavez"))
```

Demo of Typed Actors!

• `Actor` is a `Future` of a `Unit`

References and Lifecycles

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`self()` , `sender()`, `context`

- `self()` reference to the `ActorRef` of the actor
- `sender()` reference sender Actor of the last received message, typically used as described in Reply to messages
- `context()` exposes contextual information for the actor and the current message.

Lifecycle Methods (as seen in Java)

```
public void preStart() {  
}  
  
public void preRestart(Throwable reason, scala.Option<Object>  
message) {  
    for (ActorRef each : getContext().getChildren()) {  
        getContext().unwatch(each);  
        getContext().stop(each);  
    }  
    postStop();  
}  
  
public void postRestart(Throwable reason) {  
    preStart();  
}  
  
public void postStop() {  
}
```

Lifecycle Methods (as seen in Scala)

```
def preStart(): Unit = ()
```

```
def postStop(): Unit = ()
```

```
def preRestart(reason: Throwable, message: Option[Any]): Unit = {  
  context.children foreach { child =>  
    context.unwatch(child)  
    context.stop(child)  
  }  
  postStop()  
}
```

```
def postRestart(reason: Throwable): Unit = {  
  preStart()  
}
```


Futures and Promises

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About `java.util.concurrent`

- Contains an `Executor`
- `Executor` manages independent threading tasks and decouples task submission from task execution.
- Contains an `ExecutorService` that takes `Runnable` or `Callable` tasks and comes complete with a lifecycle and monitoring systems.

The Executor

```
public interface Executor {  
    void execute(Runnable command);  
}
```

ExecutorService

- An `ExecutorService` is a subinterface of `Executor`
- Provides the ability to create and track `Futures` from `Runnable` and `Callable`s
- Services can be started up and shut down
- Can create your own
- Likely will use `Executors` class to create `ExecutorServices`

Executor Service

```
public interface ExecutorService extends Executor {  
    ...  
    <T> Future<T> submit(Callable<T> task);  
    <T> Future<T> submit(Runnable task, T result);  
    Future<?> submit(Runnable task);  
    ...  
}
```

Future

- An asynchronous computation
- Contains methods determine completion of said computation
- Can be in running state, completed state, or have thrown an `Exception`

Future Interface

```
public interface Future<V> {  
    boolean cancel(boolean mayInterruptIfRunning);  
    boolean isCancelled();  
    boolean isDone();  
    V get() throws  
        InterruptedException, ExecutionException;  
    V get(long timeout, TimeUnit unit)  
        throws InterruptedException,  
            ExecutionException, TimeoutException;  
}
```

Executors

- Utility Factory that can create `ExecutionServices`

FixedThreadPool

- `Executors.newFixedThreadPool()`
- “Creates a thread pool that reuses a fixed number of threads operating off a shared unbounded queue.” according to the API.
- The Fixed Thread Pool keeps threads constant and uses the queue to manage tasks waiting to be run.
- If a thread fails, a new one is created in its stead.
- If all threads are taken up it will wait on an unbounded queue for the next available thread.

SingleThreadExecutor()

- `Executors.newSingleThreadExecutor()`
- “Creates an Executor that uses a single worker thread operating off an unbounded queue.”
- In a single thread executor, if a thread terminates due to a failure during execution prior to shutdown, a new one will take its place if needed to execute subsequent tasks.

CachedThreadPool

- `Executors.newCachedThreadPool()`
- Factory method is a flexible thread pool implementation that will reuse previously constructed threads if they are available.
- If no existing thread is available, a new thread is created and added to the pool.
- Threads that have not been used for sixty seconds are terminated and removed from the cache.

ScheduledThreadPool

- `Executors.newScheduledThreadPool()`
- Can run your tasks after a delay or periodically.
- This method does not return an `ExecutorService`
- Returns a `ScheduledExecutorService` which contains methods to help you set not only the task but the delay or periodic schedule.

Futures in java.util.concurrent

```
ExecutorService executorService =  
    Executors.newCachedThreadPool();  
Callable<String> asynchronousTask = new Callable<String>()  
{  
    @Override  
    public String call() throws Exception {  
        //something expensive  
        Thread.sleep(5000);  
        return "Asynchronous String Result";  
    }  
};  
  
Future<String> future =  
    executorService.submit(asynchronousTask);  
  
String value = future.get(); //waits if necessary
```

Callback Futures with Guava

```
ListenableFuture<String> listenableFuture =
service.submit(asynchronousTask);
Futures.addCallback(listenableFuture,
    new FutureCallback<String>() {
        @Override
        public void onSuccess(String result) {
            System.out.println("Got the result and the answer
is? " + result);
        }

        @Override
        public void onFailure(Throwable t) {
            System.out.println("Things happened man. Bad
things");
        }
    });
```

Futures and Promises in Akka

- Data structure used to retrieve the result of some concurrent operation.
- It can be retrieved “synchronously” (blocked) or “asynchronously” (unblocked)
- Futures need an `ExecutionContext` in scope in order to work

Akka Futures in Java

```
ExecutionContext executionContext = ExecutionContext$.MODULE$.  
    fromExecutorService  
    (Executors.newFixedThreadPool(12));  
  
Callable<String> callable = new Callable<String>() {  
    @Override  
    public String call() throws Exception {  
        return "Test Basic Futures: Hello World";  
    }  
};  
Future<String> future = Futures.future(callable, executionContext);  
Timeout timeout = new Timeout(Duration.create(5, "seconds"));  
System.out.println("Test Basic Futures: Step 1");  
System.out.println(Await.result(future, timeout.duration())); //blocking  
System.out.println("Test Basic Futures: Step 2");
```


Akka Non-Blocking Futures in Java

```
ExecutorService executorService = Executors.newFixedThreadPool(12);
ExecutionContext executionContext =
    ExecutionContext$.MODULE$.fromExecutorService(executorService);

Callable<String> callable = new Callable<String>() {
    @Override
    public String call() throws Exception {
        return "Test Asynchronous Call: Hello World";
    }
};

Future<String> future = Futures.future(callable, executionContext);

System.out.println("Test Asynchronous Call: Step 1");
future.onComplete(new PrintResult<String>(), executionContext);
System.out.println("Test Asynchronous Call: Step 2");
System.out.println("Test Asynchronous Call: Step 3");
System.out.println("Test Asynchronous Call: Step 4");
```

OnComplete in Java

```
public final static class PrintResult<T> extends OnComplete<T> {  
    @Override  
    public void onComplete(Throwable failure, T success) throws Throwable {  
        if (failure == null) System.out.println(success.toString());  
        else failure.printStackTrace();  
    }  
}
```

Futures by themselves, blocking

```
implicit val executionContext =  
  ExecutionContext.fromExecutorService(  
    Executors.newFixedThreadPool(12))  
  
val future = Future {  
  "Hello" + " " + "World"  
}  
  
implicit val timeout = Timeout(5 seconds)  
  
println("Step 1")  
val result = Await.result(future, timeout.duration) //blocking  
println("Step 2: " + result)
```

Futures by themselves, nonblocking

```
implicit val executionContext =  
  ExecutionContext.fromExecutorService(  
    Executors.newFixedThreadPool(12))  
  
val future = Future { "Asynchronous String Result" }  
  
future foreach (x => println("I got an answer:" + x))  
//asynchronous  
println("Doing something in the mean time")
```

Composing Futures Akka & Scala

```
implicit val executionContext =  
  ExecutionContext.fromExecutorService(  
    Executors.newFixedThreadPool(12))  
  
val future1 = Future {180/2}  
val future2 = Future {90/3}  
val result = future1.flatMap {x=>  
  future2.map {y=>  
    (x + y)  
  }  
}  
println("Getting Ready to Run")  
result foreach (x=> println("result: " + x))  
println("Doing Something in the Meantime")
```

Demo: Futures & Asking in Scala

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Configuration

HOCON

"Human-Optimized Config Object Notation"



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```
db.default.driver=org.h2.Driver  
db.default.url="jdbc:h2:mem:play"  
db.default.user=sa  
db.default.password=""
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    user=sa  
    password=""  
  }  
}
```

application.conf

- Contains Settings for Actor Systems
- All HOCON (Human Optimized Config Object Notation)
- One `application.conf` per application
- Typically stored `src/main/resources`

Typical application.conf

```
akka {  
  event-handlers = ["akka.event.Logging$DefaultLogger"]  
  
  loglevel = DEBUG  
  
  stdout-loglevel = DEBUG  
  
  actor {  
    provider = "akka.actor.LocalActorRefProvider"  
  
    default-dispatcher {  
      throughput = 10  
    }  
  
    debug {  
      autoreceive = on  
      lifecycle = on  
      fsm = on  
      event-stream = on  
    }  
  }  
  
  remote {  
    log-sent-messages = on  
    log-received-messages = on  
  }  
}
```

Creating a remote system

• `ssh-keygen` - generate a key pair

• `ssh-copy-id` - copy the public key to the remote system

• `ssh` - connect to the remote system

• `ssh -X` - enable X11 forwarding

• `ssh -C` - enable compression

• `ssh -i` - specify the private key file

• `ssh -p` - specify the port number

Adding custom configuration

```
remote-system {  
  akka {  
    daemonic = on  
    actor {  
      provider = "akka.remote.RemoteActorRefProvider"  
    }  
    remote {  
      log-sent-messages = on  
      log-received-messages = on  
  
      enabled-transport = ["akka.remote.netty.tcp"]  
  
      netty {  
        hostname = "127.0.0.1"  
        port = 10190  
      }  
    }  
  }  
}
```

Remote Actor Call in Java

```
Config config = ConfigFactory.load();
ActorSystem system = ActorSystem.create("MySystem",
    config.getConfig("remote-system").withFallback(config));

ActorRef myActor = system.actorOf(
    new Props(SimpleActorJava.class), "simpleActorJava");

ActorRef deadLettersActor = system.actorFor("/deadLetters");

myActor.tell("Bueno!", deadLettersActor);
```


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Config config = ConfigFactory.load();  
ActorSystem system = ActorSystem.create("MySystem",  
    config.getConfig("remote-system").withFallback(config));  
  
ActorRef myActor = system.actorOf(  
    new Props(SimpleActorJava.class), "simpleActorJava");  
  
ActorRef deadLettersActor = system.actorFor("/deadLetters");  
  
myActor.tell("Bueno!", deadLettersActor);
```

Where is the config name?

```
remote-system {  
  akka {  
    daemonic = on  
    actor {  
      provider = "akka.remote.RemoteActorRefProvider"  
    }  
    remote {  
      log-sent-messages = on  
      log-received-messages = on  
  
      enabled-transport = ["akka.remote.netty.tcp"]  
  
      netty {  
        hostname = "127.0.0.1"  
        port = 10190  
      }  
    }  
  }  
}
```

Remote Actor Call in Scala

```
val config = ConfigFactory.load()
val system = ActorSystem("RemoteActorSystem",
    config.getConfig("remote-system").withFallback(config))
val myActor = system.actorOf(Props[SimpleActorScala],
    name = "simpleActorJava")
myActor ! "Simple Test"
```

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Demo: Remote Actors

Remote actors can be used to
distribute computation across
multiple machines.

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Fault Tolerance

Fault Tolerance

- Each actor
 - can be a parent, and create children
 - is responsible for their children (a.k.a. subordinate)
- When failure occurs
 - a child or all children are suspended
 - parent determines the next course of action
 - mailbox contents are maintained

One for One Strategy

- Each child is treated is separately
- Typically the normal one that should be used
- Default if no strategy is defined

All for One Strategy

- Each child will be given the same treatment
- If one fails, they all essentially "fail"
- Used if tight coupling between children is required

Default Fault Tolerance

- `ActorInitializationException` will stop the failing child actor
- `ActorKilledException` will stop the failing child actor
- `Exception` will restart the failing child actor
- Other types of `Throwable` will be escalated to parent actor

Demo: Fault Tolerance

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Routers

Routers

- Actor that reroutes message to other actors
- Different Strategies available
- Create your own

Out of the box routers

- akka.routing.RoundRobinRouter
- akka.routing.RandomRouter
- akka.routing.SmallestMailboxRouter
- akka.routing.BroadcastRouter
- akka.routing.ScatterGatherFirstCompletedRouter
- akka.routing.ConsistentHashingRouter

Setup the application.conf

```
routing-system {  
  akka.actor.deployment {  
    /simplerouter {  
      router = round-robin  
      nr-of-instances = 5  
    }  
  }  
}
```

Setting it up from code in Java

```
ActorRef actor1 =  
system.actorOf(Props.create(ExampleActor.class));  
  
ActorRef actor2 =  
system.actorOf(Props.create(ExampleActor.class));  
  
ActorRef actor3 =  
system.actorOf(Props.create(ExampleActor.class));  
  
Iterable<ActorRef> routees = Arrays.asList(new  
ActorRef[] { actor1, actor2, actor3 });  
  
ActorRef router2 =  
system.actorOf(Props.empty().withRouter  
    (RoundRobinRouter.create(routees)));
```


Setting it up from code in Scala

```
val actor1 = system.actorOf(Props[ExampleActor1])
val actor2 = system.actorOf(Props[ExampleActor1])
val actor3 = system.actorOf(Props[ExampleActor1])
val routees = Vector(actor1, actor2, actor3)
val router2 = system.actorOf(Props.empty.withRouter(
  RoundRobinRouter(routees = routees)))
```

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Demo: Routers

Demo: Becoming & Unbecoming

1. *What is the relationship between becoming and unbecoming?*

2. *How does the process of becoming relate to the concept of the self?*

3. *What role does the other play in the process of becoming?*

4. *How does the process of becoming relate to the concept of the future?*

5. *What is the relationship between becoming and the concept of the present?*

6. *How does the process of becoming relate to the concept of the past?*

7. *What is the relationship between becoming and the concept of the future?*

Thank You!