## Microservices in Python with PyRods and EmbedPython

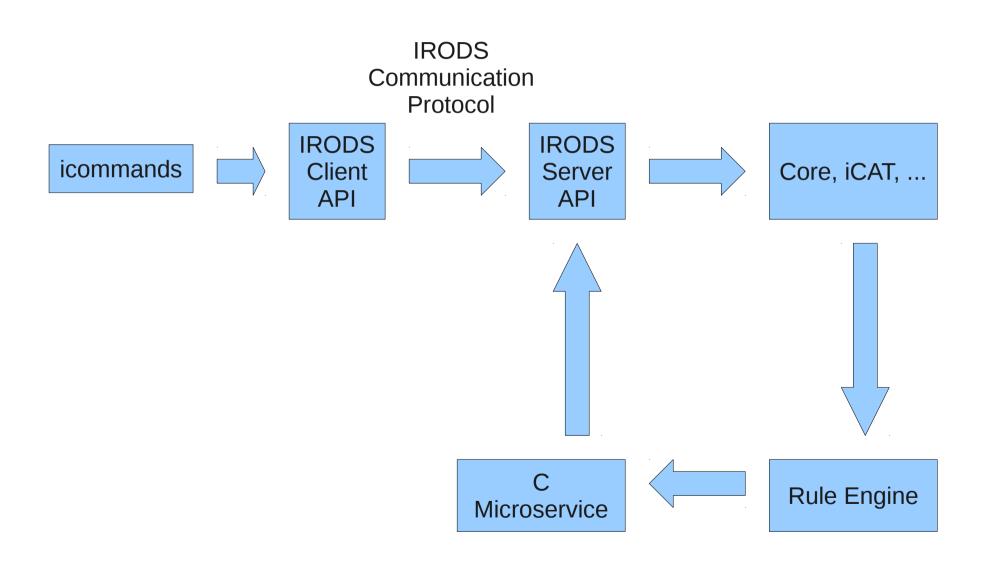
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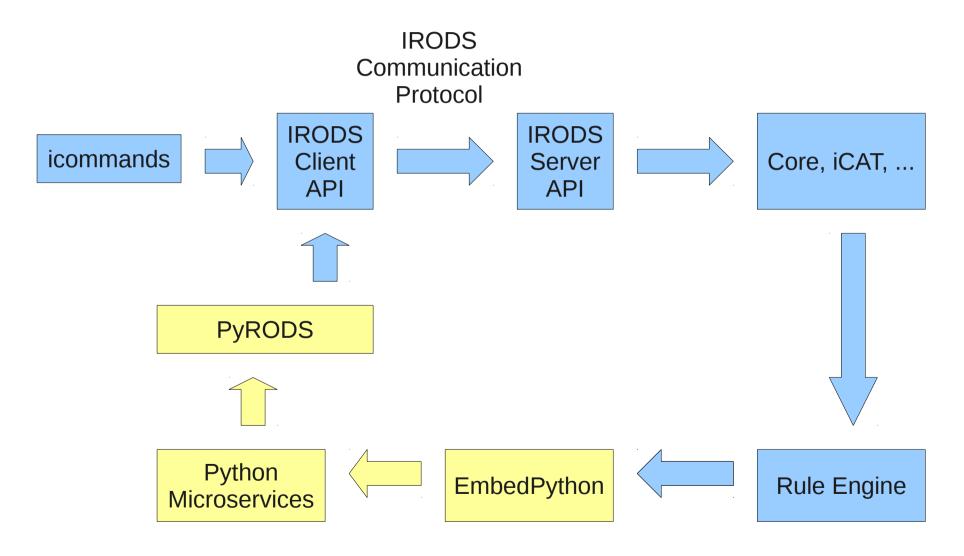
#### PyRods and EmbedPython

- Developed & Maintained by Jerome Fuselier
- Both projects are hosted at http://code.google.com/p/irodspython/
- Functionality:
  - PyRods: Python binding for iRODS client api and data structures
  - EmbedPython: an iRODS module that allows calling microservices written in Python from iRODS Rule Engine

#### Write Microserivces in C



# Write Microservices using PyRODS and EmbedPython



#### General Idea 1

Compare with C code:

```
int <msi name>(msParam_t *param1, ..., msParam_t *paramX,
    ruleExecInfo_t *rei) {
    /* parse input params */
    /* do stuff */
    /* fill in out params */
}
```

• Python code:

```
def <function name>(param1, ..., paramX, rei):
# parse input params
# do stuff
# fill in out params
```

#### General Idea 2

Rule Engine code:

- Alternatively, you can call
  - msiRodsPythonX
  - MsiPythonExec
- Wrap the code in an adapter rule

```
<msi name>(param1, ..., paramX) { <RE code> }
```

### Example: Goal

#### /tmp/test.r

```
test {
     ...
     msiReadFromDataObj(*path, *contents);
     ...
}
...
```

#### Example: Microservice

#### /tmp/test.py

```
from irods import *
def pyReadFromDataObj(path, contents, rei):
    path_str = path.parseForStr()
    f = iRodsOpen(rei.getRsComm(), path_str)
    contents_str = f.read()
    f.close()
    fillStrInMsParam(contents, contents_str)
```

### Example: Adapter Rule

#### Example: Rules

#### /tmp/test.r

```
test {
    msiReadFromDataObj(*path, *contents);
   writeString("stdout", *contents);
}
msiReadFromDataObj(*path, *contents) {
    msiPyInitialize;
    msiLocalPython2("/tmp/test.py", "msiReadFromDataObj",
        "noRecursionTest", *path, *contents);
    msiPyFinalize;
INPUT *path="/tempZone/home/rods/test.txt"
OUTPUT ruleExecOut
```

#### Another Example

```
test {
   msiReadFromDataObj(*path1, *contents1);
    msiReadFromDataObj(*pathN, *contentsN);
msiReadFromDataObj(*path, *contents) {
   msiPyInitialize;
    msiLocalPython2("/tmp/test.py", "msiReadFromDataObj",
        "noRecursionTest", *path, *contents);
   msiPyFinalize;
```

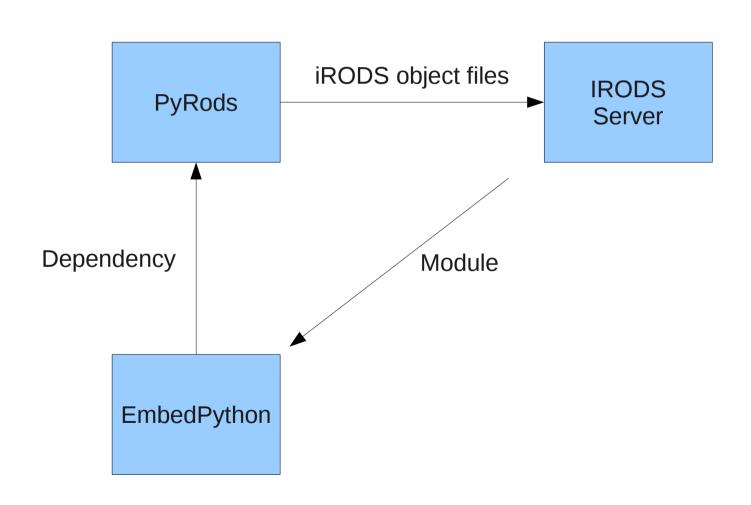
#### Another Example

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test {
    msiPyInitialize;
    msiReadFromDataObj(*path1, *contents1);
    msiReadFromDataObj(*pathN, *contentsN);
    msiPyFinalize;
msiReadFromDataObj(*path, *contents) {
    msiLocalPython2("/tmp/test.py", "msiReadFromDataObj",
        "noRecursionTest", *path, *contents);
```

### A Few Tips

- If there is any error, look at the rodsLog\* files for more information.
- Available PyRods objects/functions can be found in the PyRods document

### Building PyRods and EmbedPython



#### **Build Order**

- Build PyRods
  - Build iRODS server
  - Build PyRods, link with iRODS object files
- Build EmbedPython
  - Build iRODS server with EmbedPython module, link with PyRods object files
  - Build PyRods again

## A Few Tips On Building PyRods and EmbedPyRods

- Install python and python-dev
- Search for PyRods and iRODS 3.0 on iRODS Chat
- Use -fPIC to build iRODS server and modules
- Set PYTHONPATH
- Set LD\_LIBRARY\_PATH to include libodbc.so.1
- To run the test rules in EmbedPython, modify the rules or copy microservices.py so that the paths match
- If you build PyRods with code from iRODS svn (post 3.0), you may need to make some changes to PyRods code

# Write Microservices using Python: A Possibly More Efficient Model

