

Adaptability as a Programming Pattern in SEArch



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– Prelude –

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to $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{search for} \\ \text{and compose} \end{array} \right.$ distributed service

with support for

multi-language programming

(language-independence via choreographic models)

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Conclusions

– The underlying theory of SEArch –

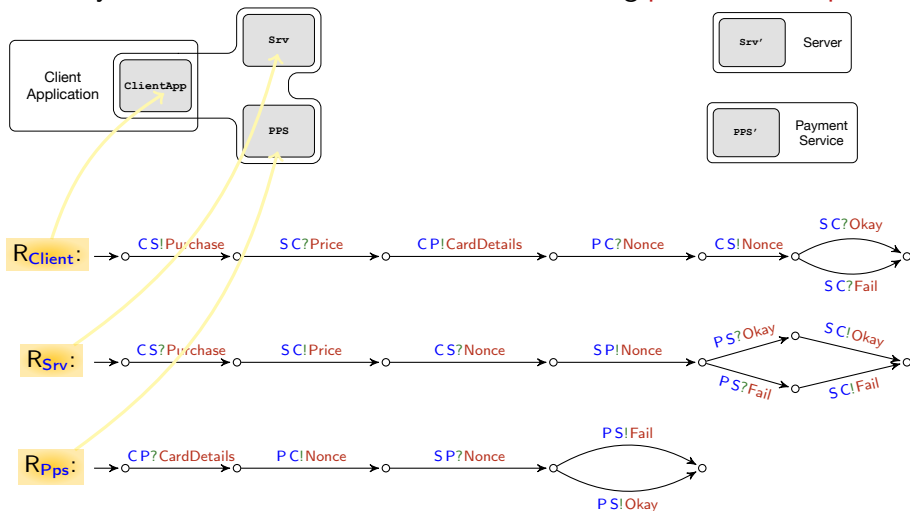
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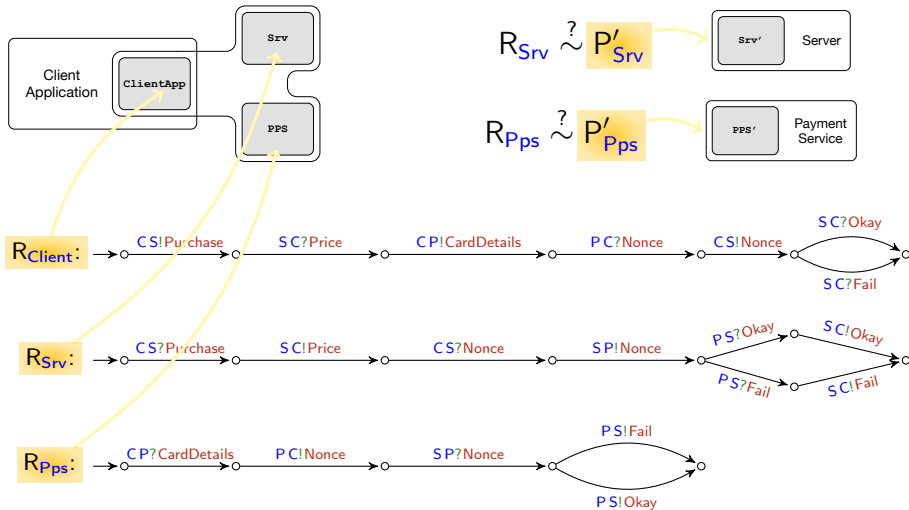
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– Adaptation –

A Conceptual Framework for Adaptation* 244 R. Bruni et al.

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Abstract. In this position paper we present a conceptual vision of adaptation, a key feature of autonomic systems. We put some stress on the role of control data and argue how some of the programming paradigms and models used for adaptive systems match with our conceptual framework.

Keywords: Adaptivity, autonomic systems, control data, MAPE-K control loop.

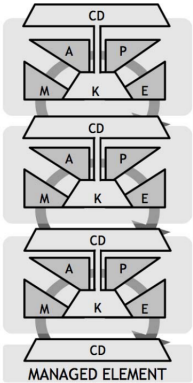


Fig. 2. Tower of adaptation

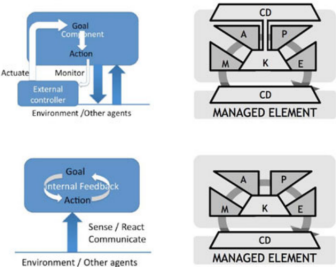


Fig. 3. External (top) and internal (bottom) patterns

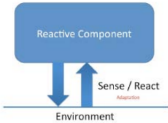


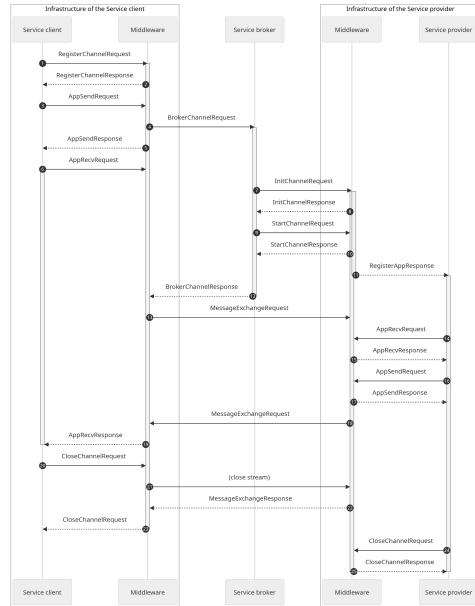
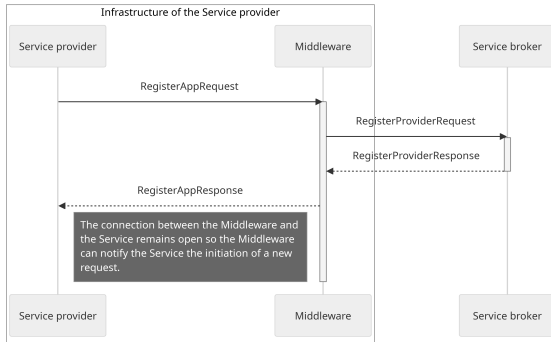
Fig. 4. Reactive pattern

Adapting SEArch to adaptation

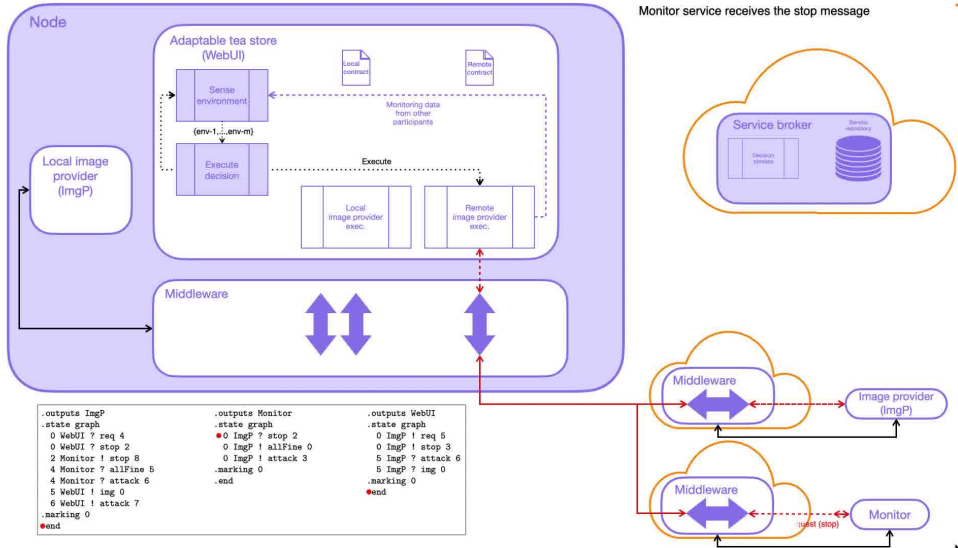
A programming pattern for adaption

- ① a service invocation triggers the registration of the necessary communication and monitoring channels (if any)
- ② the control loop continuously
 - processes monitoring information
 - evaluates environmental conditions based on this information
 - chooses an execution scenario
 - dispatches the execution of the relevant code
- ③ the monitor senses the environment and triggers adaptation on environmental changes

SEArch's two protocols



Architectural Adaptation in SEArch



PYTHON,

```
async def main(grpc_channel):
    stub = search.PrivateMiddlewareServiceStub(grpc_channel)
    registered = False
    logger.info("Connected to middleware. Waiting for registration...")
    async for r in stub.register_app(
        search.RegisterAppRequest(
            provider_contract=search.LocalContract(
                format=search.LocalContractFormat.LOCAL_CONTRACT_FORMAT_FSA,
                contract=PROVIDER_CONTRACT,
            )
        )
    ):
        if registered and r.notification:
            logger.info(f"Notification received: {r.notification}")
            # Start a new session for this channel.
            asyncio.create_task(session(grpc_channel, r.notification))
        elif not registered and r.app_id:
            # This should only happen once, in the first iteration.
            registered = True
            logger.info(f"App registered with id {r.app_id}")
            # Create temp file for Docker Compose healthcheck.
            with open("/tmp/registered", "w") as f:
                f.write("OK")
        else:
            logger.error(f"Unexpected response: {r}. Exiting.")
            break

    grpc_channel.close()
```

PYTHON, GO

```
const ppsContract = `
.outputs PPS
.state graph
q0 ClientApp ? CardDetailsWithTotalAmount q1
q1 ClientApp ! PaymentNonce q2
q2 Srv ? RequestChargeWithNonce q3
q3 Srv ! ChargeOK q4
q3 Srv ! ChargeFail q5
.marking q0
.end
`
// the CFSM in ChorGram syntax

func main() {
    flag.Parse()
    var logger = log.New(os.Stderr, fmt.Sprintf("[PPS] - "), log.LstdFlags|log.Lmsgprefix|log.Lshortfile)
    var opts []grpc.DialOption
    opts = append(opts, grpc.WithTransportCredentials(insecure.NewCredentials()))
    conn, err := grpc.Dial(*middlewareURL, opts...)
    if err != nil {
        logger.Fatalf("Error connecting to middleware URL %s", *middlewareURL)
    }
    defer conn.Close()
    stub := pb.NewPrivateMiddlewareServiceClient(conn)

    // Register provider contract with registry.
    req := pb.RegisterAppRequest{
        ProviderContract: &pb.LocalContract{
            Contract: []byte(ppsContract), // passed to the broker upon registration
            Format:   pb.LocalContractFormat_LOCAL_CONTRACT_FORMAT_FSA,
        },
    }

    streamCtx, streamCtxCancel := context.WithCancel(context.Background())
    defer streamCtxCancel()
    stream, err := stub.RegisterApp(streamCtx, &req)
    if err != nil {
```

PYTHON, GO to JAVA!

```
public class Main {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        ...// get book selection and shipping address from the user  
        ByteString contractBytes = null; // Load file contract.fsa into a GlobalContract  
        try {  
            contractBytes = ByteString.readFrom(new FileInputStream("contract.fsa"));  
        } catch (IOException e) {  
            e.printStackTrace();  
        }  
        GlobalContract contract = GlobalContract.newBuilder().setContract(contractBytes).setFormat(  
            GlobalContractFormat.GLOBAL_CONTRACT_FORMAT_FSA  
        ).setInitiatorName("ClientApp").build();  
        ...  
    }  
}
```

where in `contract.fsa` we find:

```
.outputs ClientApp  
.state graph  
q0 Srv ! PurchaseRequest q1  
q1 Srv ? TotalAmount q2  
q2 PPS ! CardDetailsWithTotalAmount q3  
q3 PPS ? PaymentNonce q4  
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There's space for improvement

- decouple broker and service repository
- \implies distributed bisimulation checks!
- parameterise the compliance check
- ...and QoS! (checkout our COORDINATION 2025 paper¹)

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