

#### **Lesson Overview**

- Service-Oriented Architecture and Embedded Systems
- Reading:
  - Ch. 17 Distributed Software Engineering
  - Ch. 18 Service-oriented Software Engineering
  - Ch. 19 Systems Engineering
  - Ch. 20 Systems of Systems
  - Ch. 21 Real-Time Software Engineering
- Objectives
  - Discuss the benefits of service/provider relationships
  - Examine the issues involved in designing and implementing such architectures
  - Analyze embedded systems issues including:
    - CCI (computer-computer interfaces)
    - Exception handling
    - Awareness
    - Timing, etc.

#### Participation – P7

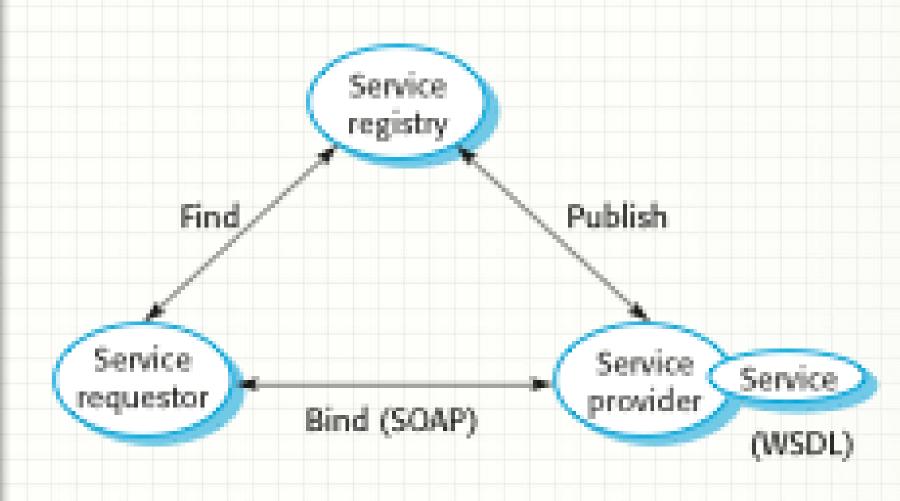
- Use any "real world" example to illustrate the interactions involved in non-computer (H-H-I) service providing
- Explain how service-oriented architecture is a form of reuse
- Discuss the relationship between service-level agreements and the requirements for a serviceoriented system under development
- Describe the context model of an embedded system – provide an example to illustrate
- Use any example to illustrate the mechanisms by which an embedded system gains "awareness"

# Lecture 8 Service-Oriented Architecture and Embedded Software

## Service-Oriented Architecture (SOA)

- Based on the notion of cooperating entities
  - Entities offer to perform services
  - Information can be made available in a controlled and managed way
- Defined interfaces must be published
- Allows for the creation of configurable, distributed, platform-independent systems

#### Service-Oriented Architecture



#### Web Services

 A web service is an instance of a more general notion of a service:

"an act or performance offered by one party to another. Although the process may be tied to a physical product, their performance is essentially intangible and does not normally result in ownership of any of the factors of production."

- The provision of the service is independent of the application using the service
- Service providers can develop specialized services and offer these to a range of service users from different organizations

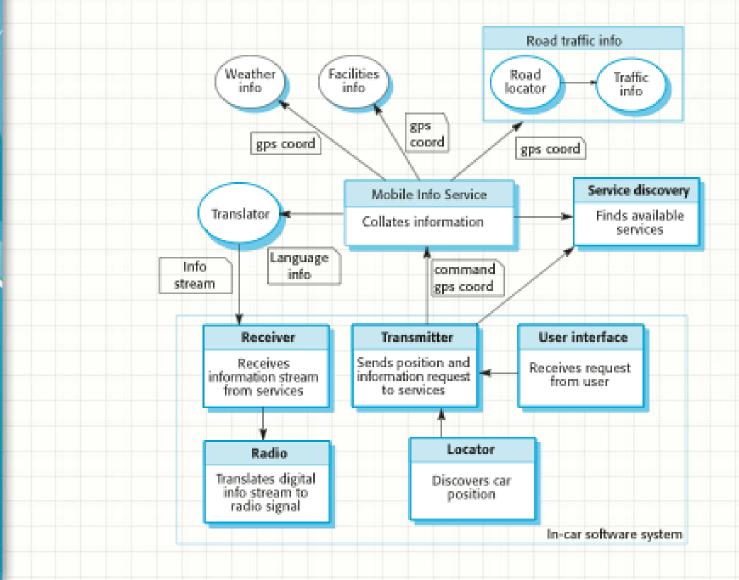
#### **SOA-related Standards**

- SOAP SOA Protocol
  - Message interchange
  - Supports communication between services
- WSDL Web Services Definition Language
  - Service interface definition
  - Establishes definition for service operations and bindings
- WS-BPEL Web Services Business Process Execution Language
  - Workflow language

#### Benefits of SOA

- Services can be provided locally or outsourced to external providers
- Services are language-independent
- Investment in legacy systems can be preserved
- Inter-organizational computing is facilitated through simplified information exchange
- Reuse

## Ex.: Car Information System



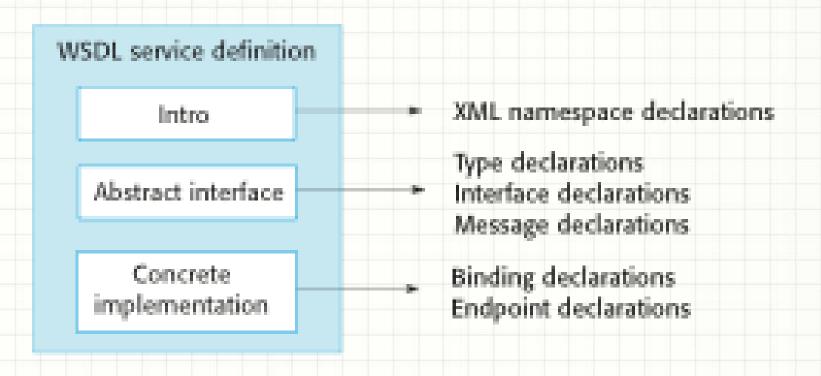
## Ex.: Car Info Systems (cont.)

- It is not necessary to decide when the system is programmed or deployed what service provider should be used or what specific services should be accessed
  - As the car moves around, the in-car software uses the service discovery service to find the most appropriate information service and binds to that
  - Because of the use of a translation service, it can move across borders and therefore make local information available to people who don't speak the local language

#### Reusable Services

- Once established, a service can be used by any number of "systems"
  - Well-defined interface
  - Consistent, reliable performance
  - Independent and loosely coupled
- WSDL specification
  - What the interface description
  - How details of how to communicate
  - Where the location of the implementation

## **WSDL Specification**



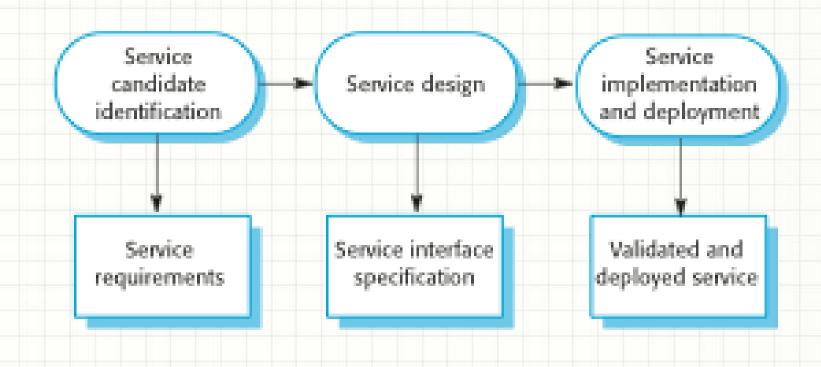
## Service Types

- Utility services
  - General functionality
  - e.g., currency conversion
- Business services
  - Associated with a specific business function
  - e.g., student registration
- Coordination of process services
  - Support more general business processes
  - e.g., procurement process management

## Service Engineering

- The process of developing services for reuse in service-oriented applications
- The service has to be designed as a reusable abstraction that can be used in different systems
- Generally useful functionality associated with that abstraction must be designed and the service must be robust and reliable
- The service must be documented so that it can be discovered and understood by potential users

# Service Engineering



#### **Service Testing Considerations**

- Control or even access to external services is determined by the service provider
- An application may not always use the same service each time it is executed
- Performance may differ under varying loads loads which can vary greatly depending on the number and frequency of service requests
- Testing of exception handling may depend on proper failure of dependent services

## **Embedded Systems**

- Characteristics
  - Software embedded in hardware
  - Minimal user interface / interaction
  - Real-time response to environmental change
  - A product of the environment
- Performance
  - Proper performance means a correct response within an acceptable time
  - Availability is expected
  - Safety and reliability issues are prominent in design decisions

#### Figure 20.1 Stimuli and responses for a burglar alarm system

Stimulus	Response
Single sensor positive	Initiate alarm; turn on lights around site of positive sensor.
Two or more sensors positive	Initiate alarm; turn on lights around sites of positive sensors; call police with location of suspected break-in.
Voltage drop of between 10% and 20%	Switch to battery backup; run power supply test.
Voltage drop of more than 20%	Switch to battery backup; initiate alarm; call police; run power supply test.
Power supply failure	Call service technician.
Sensor failure	Call service technician.
Console panic button positive	Initiate alarm; turn on lights around console; call police.
Clear alarms	Switch off all active alarms; switch off all lights that have been switched on.

## **Design Considerations**

- Platform selection
  - Timing, power, environment, OS, etc.
- Stimuli response
  - Periodic vs. aperiodic stimuli
- Timing requirements
- Process architecture
  - Aggregate stimuli and response processes
- Algorithms to support computations
- Data architecture
- Process scheduling

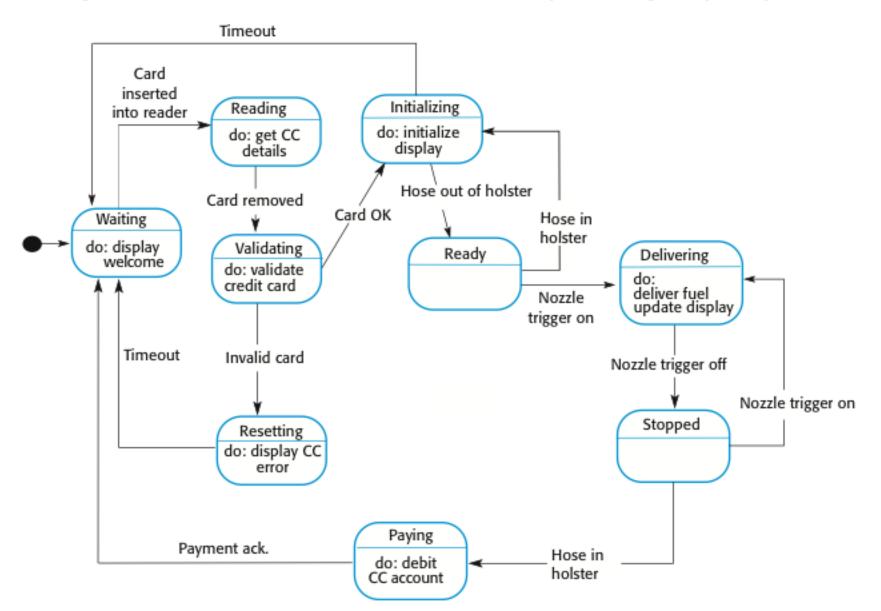
#### **Process Coordination**

- Processes in a real-time system have to be coordinated and share information
- Process coordination mechanisms ensure mutual exclusion to shared resources
- When one process is modifying a shared resource, other processes should not be able to change that resource
- When designing the information exchange between processes, you have to take into account the fact that these processes may be running at different speeds

#### Real-time System Modelling

- The effect of a stimulus in a real-time system may trigger a transition from one state to another
- State models are therefore often used to describe embedded real-time systems
- UML state diagrams may be used to show states and state transitions in a real-time system

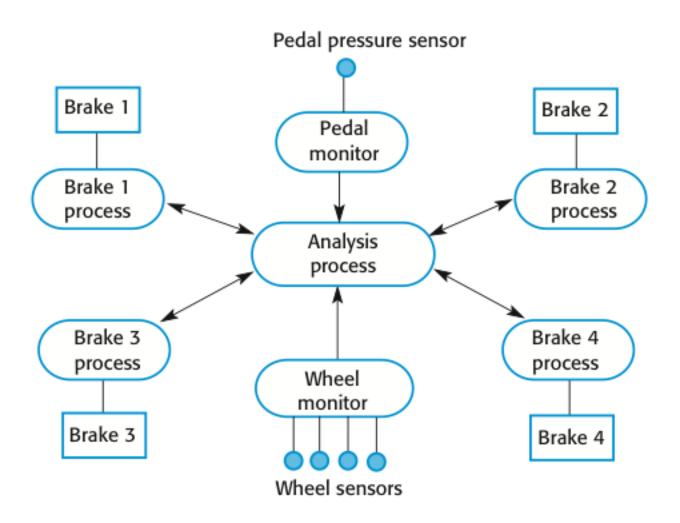
#### Figure 20.5 State machine model of a petrol (gas) pump



#### Real-time Design Patterns

- Observe and React
  - Sensors are monitored and status displayed
  - Sensor change initiates handler
- Environmental Control
  - Sensors monitor the environment and actuators adjust it
  - Sensor change initiates signals to actuators
- Process Pipeline
  - Data transformation is required before processing
  - Separate processors to handle concurrent transformations

Figure 20.11 Control system architecture for an anti-skid braking system



## **Timing Analysis**

- The correctness of a real-time system depends on both the correctness of the outputs as well as the time at which they are produced
- Timing can be difficult with a mixture of periodic and aperiodic stimuli and responses
- Key factors in analyzing timing requirements:
  - Deadlines the time by which stimuli must be processed
  - Frequency the number of times per second that a process must execute
  - Execution time the time required to process a stimulus and produce a response (consider both average and worst-case)

## Real-time Operating Systems

- Real-time applications often require a more efficient and responsive real-time operating systems
- RTOS components:
  - A real-time clock for periodic events
  - An interrupt handler for aperiodic requests
  - A scheduler for examining and selecting processes for execution
  - A resource manager for allocating system resources such as memory
  - A dispatcher for starting the execution of processes

Figure 20.17 Components of a real-time operating system

