

Minecraft Agent Framework

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Repository link



Description

This is a framework for creating bots in Minecraft. The bots respond to messages in the chat, and can execute an action when they are mentioned.

Architecture

The bots are managed by a `BotManager` class, which is a singleton. This class handles the connection to the server and holds a list of bots. Periodically, the manager checks the chat for any bot mentions and executes any bots that are mentioned using inversion of control. A bot is considered mentioned when a player types `@` followed by the name of the bot.

On mention, the `BotManager` invokes the `Bot` and passes it the message that triggered it.

Creating bots

To create a bot, create a child class of the `Bot` class. The `Bot` class expects a name of type `str` to be passed to the constructor.

To customize the bot action, you must override the `on_message()` method. This method accepts `self`, the instance of `mcpi.minecraft.Minecraft` currently connected to, and the instance of `mcpi.event.ChatEvent` that triggered the bot. The `ChatEvent` contains the `entityId` of the player that sent the message, and `message` which is the text itself. This way we can customize the action depending on the player and the message.

Because we receive the `Minecraft` object, we can use the full `mcpi` API in our bots. Please do not use `Minecraft.event.pollChatPosts()`, as this will cause the `BotManager` to miss chat events.

The `Bot` class has a special method `say()` which posts a message to chat automatically prepending the name of the bot in angle brackets.

Check the example bots provided for more details.

Contract of Bot class

Method	Parameters	Returns	Description
<code>on_message</code>	<code>self: Bot, mc: mcpi.minecraft.Minecraft, msg: mcpi.event.ChatEvent</code>	No return value	Function that is called when the bot is mentioned
<code>get_name</code>	None	str	The name of the bot, defined at instantiation time

Usage

To use the framework, first make sure the server is running. Then create an instance of the `BotManager` class. Instantiate and add bots to the manager using the `add_bot()` method. Finally, use `BotManager.loop()` to run the manager on its own, or `BotManager.tick()` to run the manager in your own custom loop.

To run the examples, first start the minecraft server, then run `run.sh`

Examples

The following bot examples are available in this repository:

Bot	Description
ManagerBot	Lists available bots
OracleBot	Magic 8 ball clone, responds to yes or no questions
EchoBot	Repeats what you said
BuilderBot	Builds you a wooden house
TrivialBot	Play a trivia game, if you dare. . .
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Diagrams

Class diagram

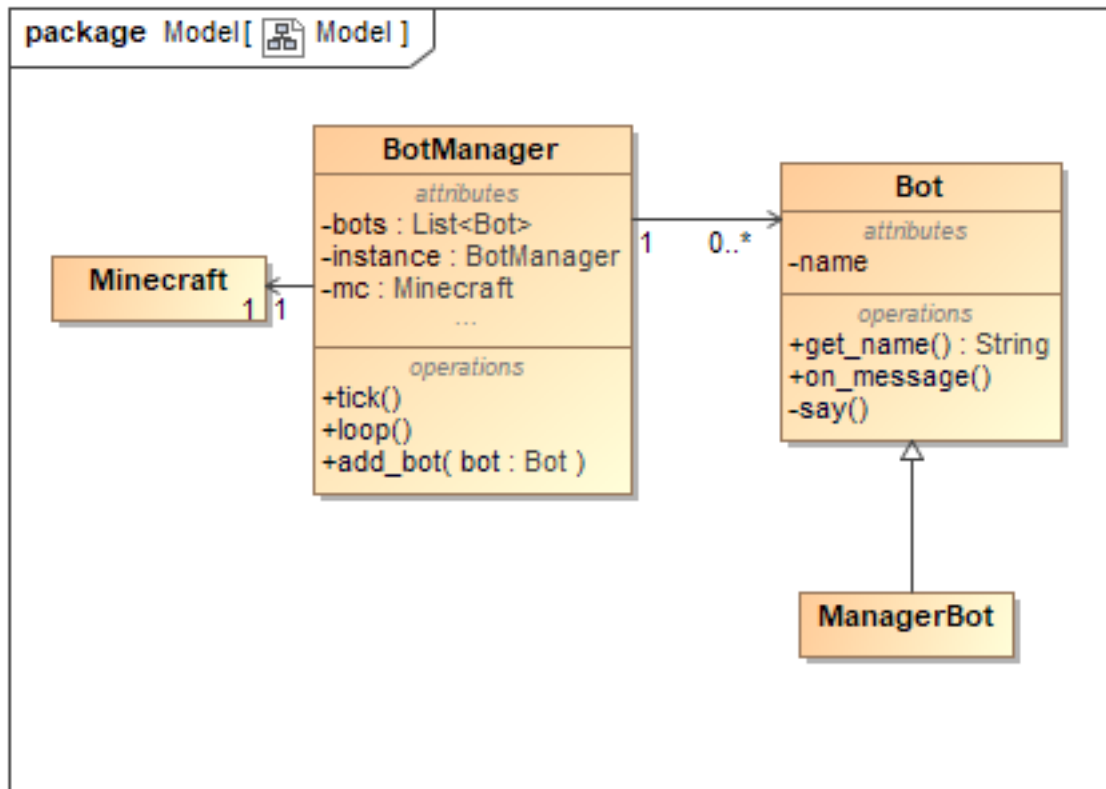


Figure 1: class diagram

Sequence diagram

YouTube tutorial

We offer a YouTube video where you can check how is the interaction with the framework. In the video you can watch what can exactly do every example bot. Link: <https://youtu.be/7e-gCHYW04Q>

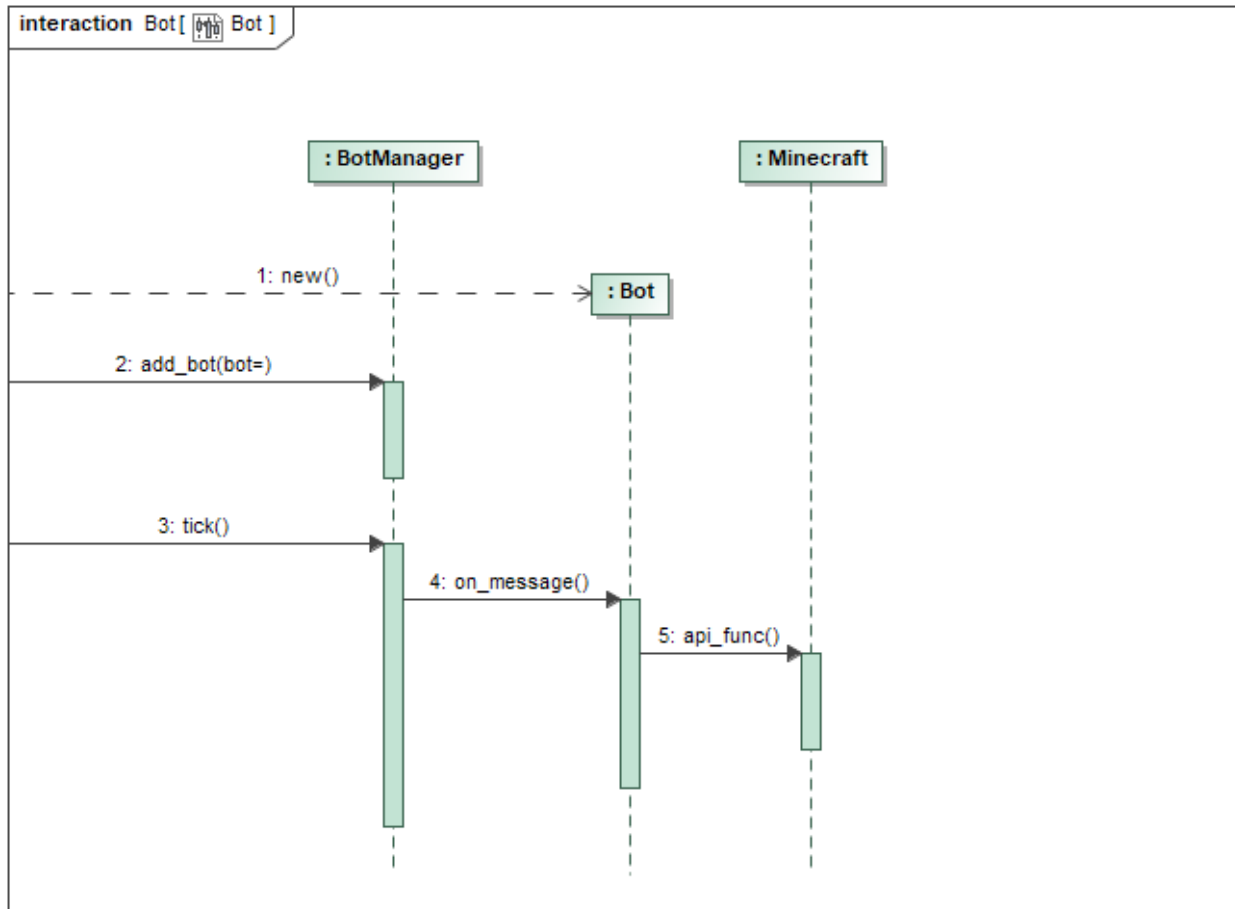


Figure 2: sequence diagram