On Viewpoint-specific Microservice Modeling

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Model-driven Development in Microservice Architecture

- Model-driven Development (MDD) is an approach to software engineering
 - Abstracts from implementation details by the usage of models
 - Models provide a viewpoint-specific understanding of the system
 - Beneficial in the engineering of complex and distributed systems
- Benefits of MDD in MSA engineering:
 - Increase of service identification efficiency and domain model value
 - Reduction of architectural definition efforts and costs
 - Facilitation of exchanging microservice technology
 - Increase of software quality
 - Reduction of conceptual clutter by domain-specific MSA modeling
 - Reuse of models across different viewpoints

Running Example

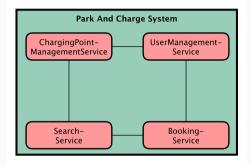


Figure 1: Running example Park and Charge System

- Park and Charge System
 - Provisioning of private charging points for electric vehicles in urban city areas
 - Realized as a distributed system based on MSA
 - Each microservice is developed by a single team
 - Each team is using the DevOps paradigm
 - Team-specific technology stack

Viewpoint-specific Modeling in DevOps-based MSA Teams

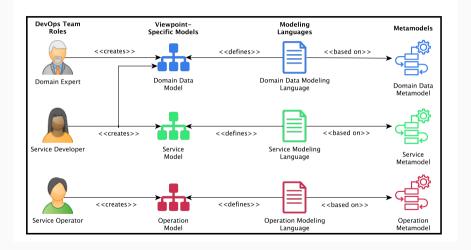


Figure 2: Domain data, service and operation viewpoints in DevOps teams

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Viewpoint-specific Metamodels

for MSA Modeling

Domain Data Viewpoint Metamodel

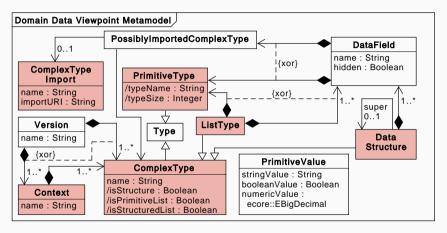


Figure 3: Domain Data Viewpoint Metamodel for the Domain Data Modeling Language used by Domain Experts and Service Developers

Service Viewpoint Metamodel

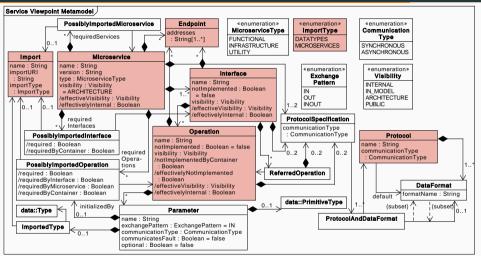


Figure 4: Service Viewpoint Metamodel for the Service Modeling Language used by Service Developers

Operation Viewpoint Metamodel

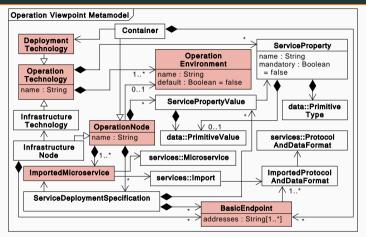


Figure 5: Operation Viewpoint Metamodel for the Operation Modeling Language used by Service Operators

Practical usage of the Domain

Data, Service and Operation

Modeling Languages

Conclusion

- Model-driven Development in Microservice Architecture
- Viewpoint-specific modeling in DevOps-based MSA teams
- Explanation of the Domain Data, Service and Operation Metamodel
- Usage of the Domain Data, Service, and Operation Modeling Language
- Future Work:
 - Integration of the approach into an agile modeling process
 - Implementation of code generators for several programming languages

Discussion Time