



Akka Typed Facilities

Programming Reactive Systems

Roland Kuhn

Speaking multiple protocols

Recall: Modeling protocols with algebraic data types

```
case class RequestQuote(title: String, buyer: ActorRef[Quote])

case class Quote(price: BigDecimal, seller: ActorRef[BuyOrQuit])

sealed trait BuyOrQuit
case class Buy(address: Address, buyer: ActorRef[Shipping]) extends BuyOrQuit
case object Quit extends BuyOrQuit

case class Shipping(date: Date)
```

Akka Typed Adapters

```
sealed trait Secretary
case class BuyBook(title: String,
                   maxprice: BigDecimal,
                   seller: ActorRef[RequestQuote]) extends Secretary

def secretary(address: Address): Behavior[Secretary] =
  Behaviors.receiveMessage {
    case BuyBook(title, maxPrice, seller) =>
      seller ! RequestQuote(title, ???)
    ...
  }
```

Akka Typed Adapters

Solution: wrap foreign protocol to process it

```
sealed trait Secretary
case class BuyBook(title: String,
                   maxprice: BigDecimal,
                   seller: ActorRef[RequestQuote]) extends Secretary
case class QuoteWrapper(msg: Quote) extends Secretary
case class ShippingWrapper(msg: Shipping) extends Secretary
```

Akka Typed Adapters

Use `ActorContext.messageAdapter` to create an `ActorRef`:

```
def secretary(address: Address): Behavior[Secretary] =
  Behaviors.receivePartial {
    case (ctx, BuyBook(title, maxPrice, seller)) =>
      val quote: ActorRef[Quote] = ctx.messageAdapter(QuoteWrapper)
      seller ! RequestQuote(title, quote)
      buyBook(maxPrice, address)
  }
```

Akka Typed Adapters

```
def buyBook(maxPrice: BigDecimal, address: Address): Behavior[Secretary] =  
  Behaviors.receivePartial {  
    case (ctx, QuoteWrapper(Quote(price, session))) =>  
      if (price > maxPrice) {  
        session ! Quit // Nay, too expensive.  
        Behaviors.stopped  
      } else {  
        val shipping = ctx.messageAdapter(ShippingWrapper)  
        session ! Buy(address, shipping)  
        Behaviors.same  
      }  
    case (ctx, ShippingWrapper(Shipping(date))) =>  
      Behaviors.stopped // Yay, a book has been bought!  
  }
```

Alternative: declare messages for protocol participants

The protocol definition can also attach roles to messages:

- ▶ RequestQuote and BuyOrQuit extend BuyerToSeller
- ▶ Quote and Shipping extend SellerToBuyer

This allows more concise message wrappers, e.g.

```
case class WrapFromSeller(msg: SellerToBuyer) extends Secretary
```


Child Actors for protocol sessions

Child Actors for protocol sessions

```
case class BuyBook(title: String, maxprice: BigDecimal,  
                  seller: ActorRef[RequestQuote]) extends Secretary  
case class Bought(shippingDate: Date) extends Secretary  
case object NotBought extends Secretary  
  
def secretary(address: Address): Behavior[Secretary] =  
  Behaviors.receive {  
    case (ctx, BuyBook(title, maxPrice, seller)) =>  
      val session = ctx.spawnAnonymous(buyBook(maxPrice, address, ctx.self))  
      seller ! RequestQuote(title, session)  
      ctx.watchWith(session, NotBought)  
      Behaviors.same  
    case (ctx, Bought(shippingDate)) => Behaviors.stopped  
    case (ctx, NotBought)           => Behaviors.stopped  
  }
```

Child Actors for protocol sessions

```
def buyBook(maxPrice: BigDecimal, address: Address, replyTo: ActorRef[Bought]) =  
  Behaviors.receive[SellerToBuyer] {  
    case (ctx, Quote(price, session)) =>  
      if (price > maxPrice) {  
        session ! Quit  
        Behaviors.stopped  
      } else {  
        session ! Buy(address, ctx.self)  
        Behaviors.same  
      }  
    case (ctx, Shipping(date)) =>  
      replyTo ! Bought(date)  
      Behaviors.stopped  
  }
```

Defer handling a message

The order of message reception sometimes is not deterministic but the actor needs to process a particular message first.

Solution: stash messages in a buffer.

Defer handling a message

The order of message reception sometimes is not deterministic but the actor needs to process a particular message first.

Solution: stash messages in a buffer.

```
val initial = Behaviors.setup[String] { ctx =>
  val buffer = StashBuffer[String](100)

  Behaviors.receiveMessage {
    case "first" =>
      buffer.unstashAll(ctx, running)
    case other =>
      buffer.stash(other)
      Behaviors.same
  }
}
```

Type-safe service discovery

Actor A provides protocol P.

Actor B needs to speak with an actor implementing protocol P.

- ▶ in a local system dependencies can be injected by first creating A and then pass an ActorRef[P] to B
- ▶ dependency graph can become unwieldy
- ▶ this approach does not work for a cluster

Type-safe service discovery

Actor A provides protocol P.

Actor B needs to speak with an actor implementing protocol P.

- ▶ in a local system dependencies can be injected by first creating A and then pass an ActorRef[P] to B
- ▶ dependency graph can become unwieldy
- ▶ this approach does not work for a cluster

Solution: cluster-capable well-known service registry at each ActorSystem:

```
val ctx: ActorContext[_] = ???
```

```
ctx.system.receptionist: ActorRef[Receptionist.Command]
```

Registering a service provider

Create a serializable cluster-wide identifier for the protocol:

```
val key = ServiceKey[Greeter]("greeter")
```


Registering a service provider

Create a serializable cluster-wide identifier for the protocol:

```
val key = ServiceKey[Greeter]("greeter")
```

Obtain an ActorRef[Greeter], for example by creating an actor:

```
val greeter = ctx.spawn(Greeter.behavior, "greeter")
```

Registering a service provider

Create a serializable cluster-wide identifier for the protocol:

```
val key = ServiceKey[Greeter]("greeter")
```

Obtain an ActorRef[Greeter], for example by creating an actor:

```
val greeter = ctx.spawn(Greeter.behavior, "greeter")
```

Register the reference with the receptionist:

```
ctx.system.receptionist ! Register(key, greeter)
```

Looking up a service implementation

Assuming a friendly actor like this one:

```
sealed trait FriendlyCommand  
case class Intro(friend: String) extends FriendlyCommand  
case class SetGreeter(listing: Listing) extends FriendlyCommand
```

Looking up a service implementation

Assuming a friendly actor like this one:

```
sealed trait FriendlyCommand
case class Intro(friend: String) extends FriendlyCommand
case class SetGreeter(listing: Listing) extends FriendlyCommand
```

When starting, first query the service registry:

```
val friendly = Behaviors.setup[FriendlyCommand] { ctx =>
  val receptionist = ctx.system.receptionist
  val listingRef = ctx.messageAdapter(SetGreeter)
  receptionist ! Find(key, listingRef)

  ...
}
```

Looking up a service implementation

```
val friendly = Behaviors.setup[FriendlyCommand] { ctx =>
  ...
  val buffer = StashBuffer[FriendlyCommand](100)

  Behaviors.receiveMessage {
    case SetGreeter(key.Listing(refs)) if refs.isEmpty =>
      ctx.schedule(3.seconds, receptionist, Find(key, listingRef))
      Behaviors.same
    case SetGreeter(key.Listing(refs)) =>
      buffer.unstashAll(ctx, friendlyRunning(refs.head))
    case other =>
      buffer.stash(other)
      Behaviors.same
  }
}
```

Summary

In this video we have seen:

- ▶ using adapters to incorporate other protocols into an actor's type
- ▶ stashing messages for later consumption to compensate for non-deterministic ordering
- ▶ service discovery with the receptionist