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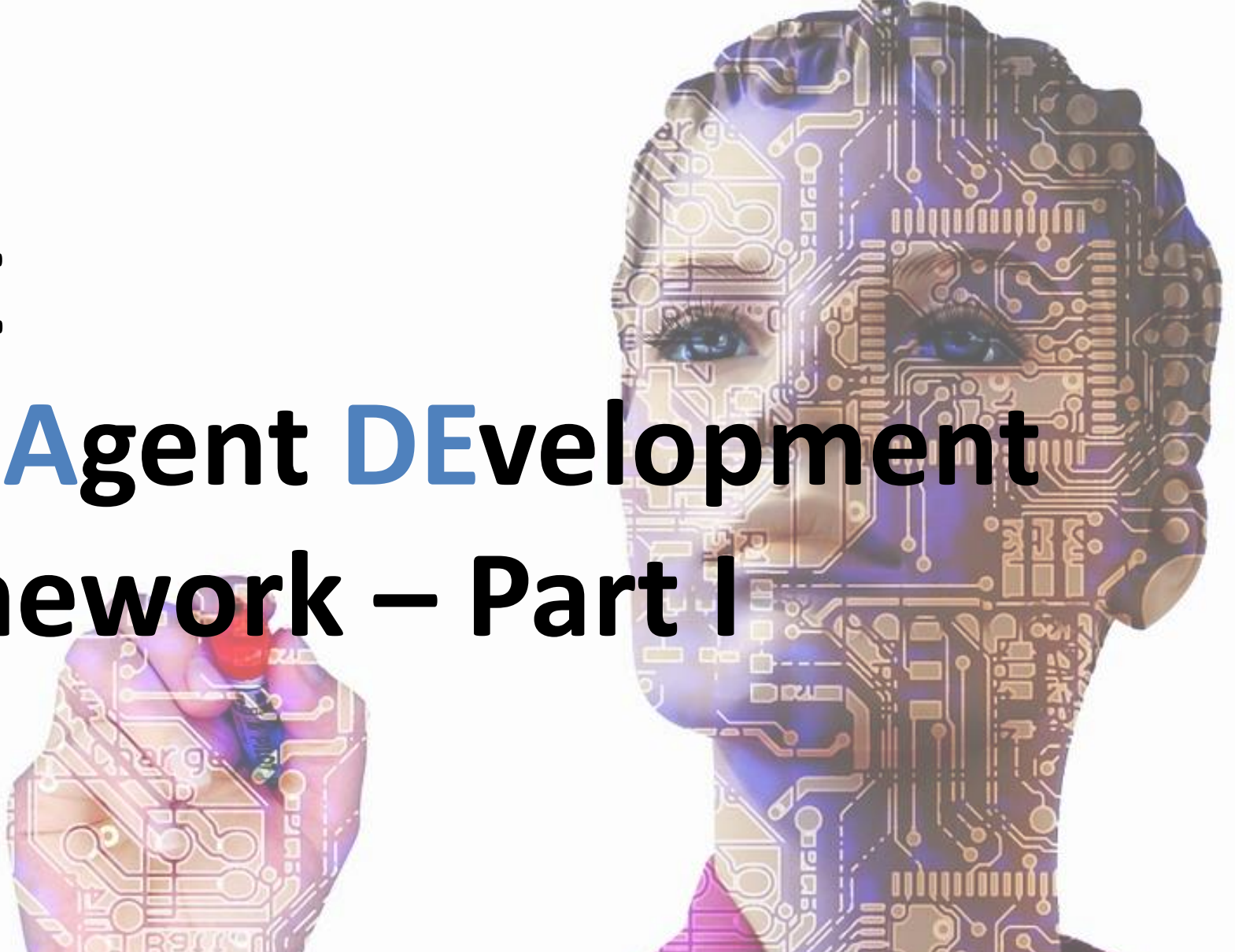
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JADE

Java Agent Development Framework – Part I



JADE Features

- Agent platform with the purpose of simplifying the development of agents
- API/Interface
 - Execution environment
 - Provides a class library for multi-agent development
 - Graphical administration and management tools for agents

▪ Agent Structure/Standard

- Agent lifetime management
- Message transport management
- Message structure
- Protocol Interaction
- Ontologies
- Safety

Containers

- Each instance of the execution environment is a Container
- Each Container can have zero or more agents running simultaneously
- Main-Container is required to support the platform
- All other Containers have to register on it when they are created
- Containers can be remote

Containers

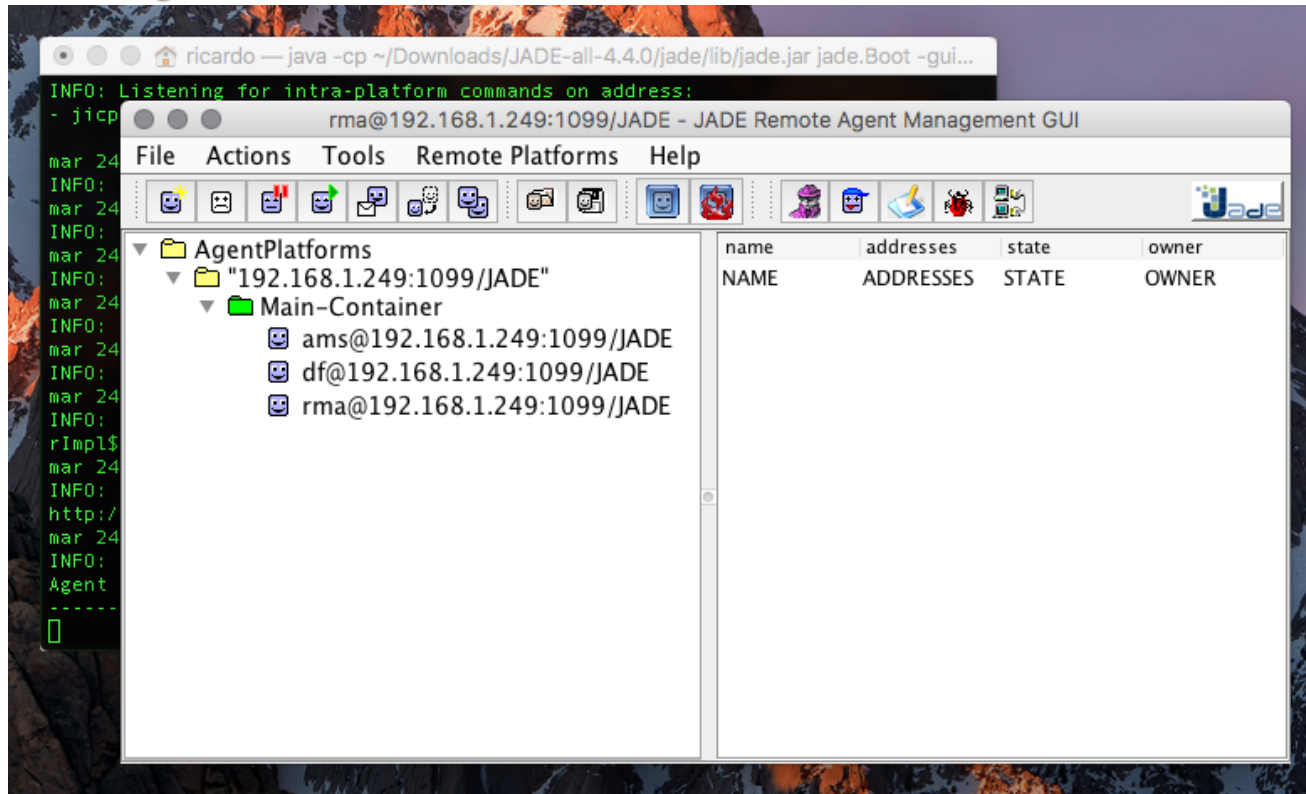
- **Main-Container:**

- Agent Management System (AMS): make sure there are no name collisions and lets you start and end agents.
- Directory Facilitator (DF): provides a yellow pages services through which an agent can search for other agents.

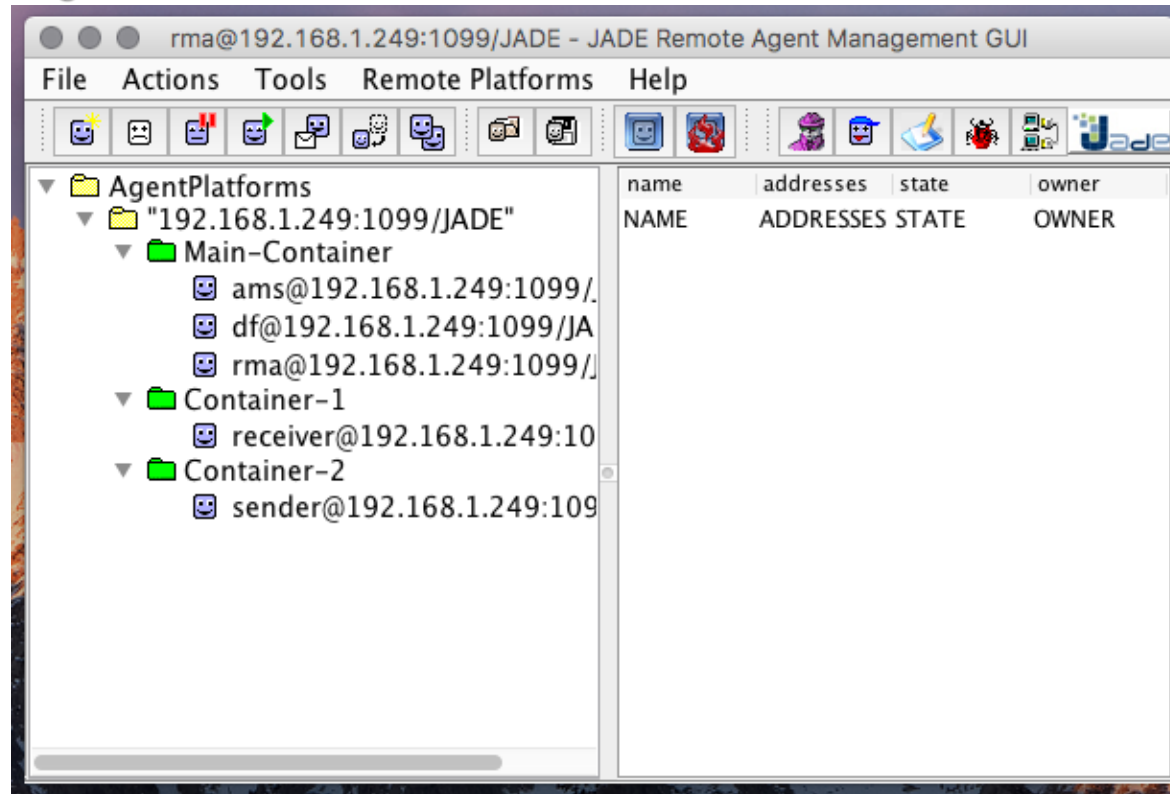
Optionally:

- Remote Monitoring Agent (RMA): allows to manage the platform through a GUI.

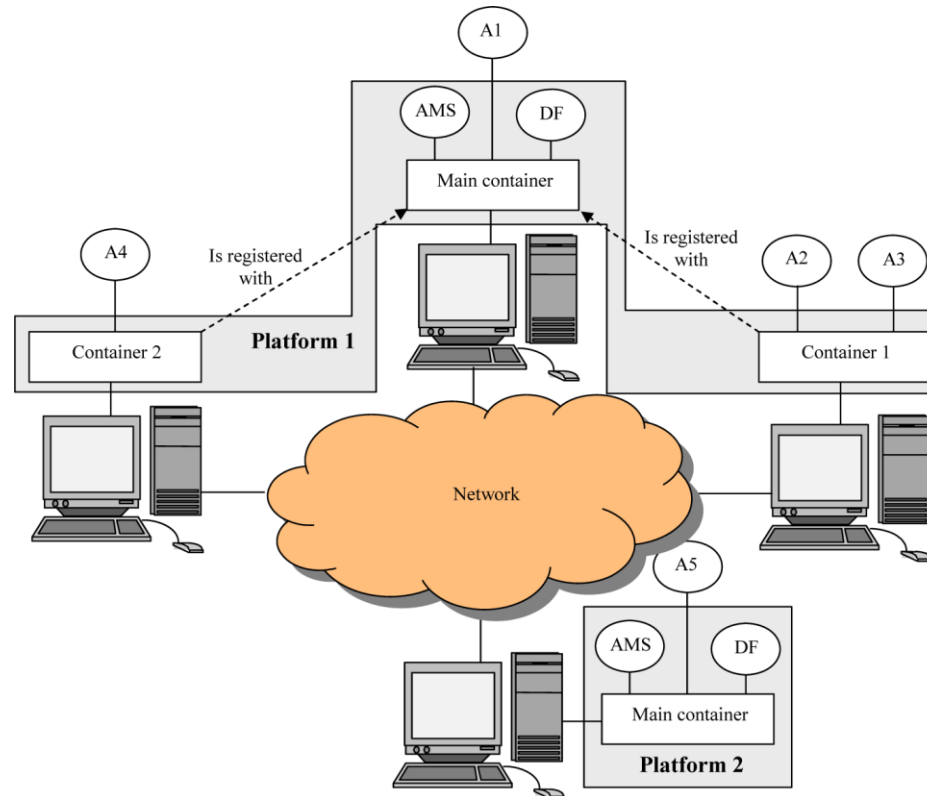
GUI without agents



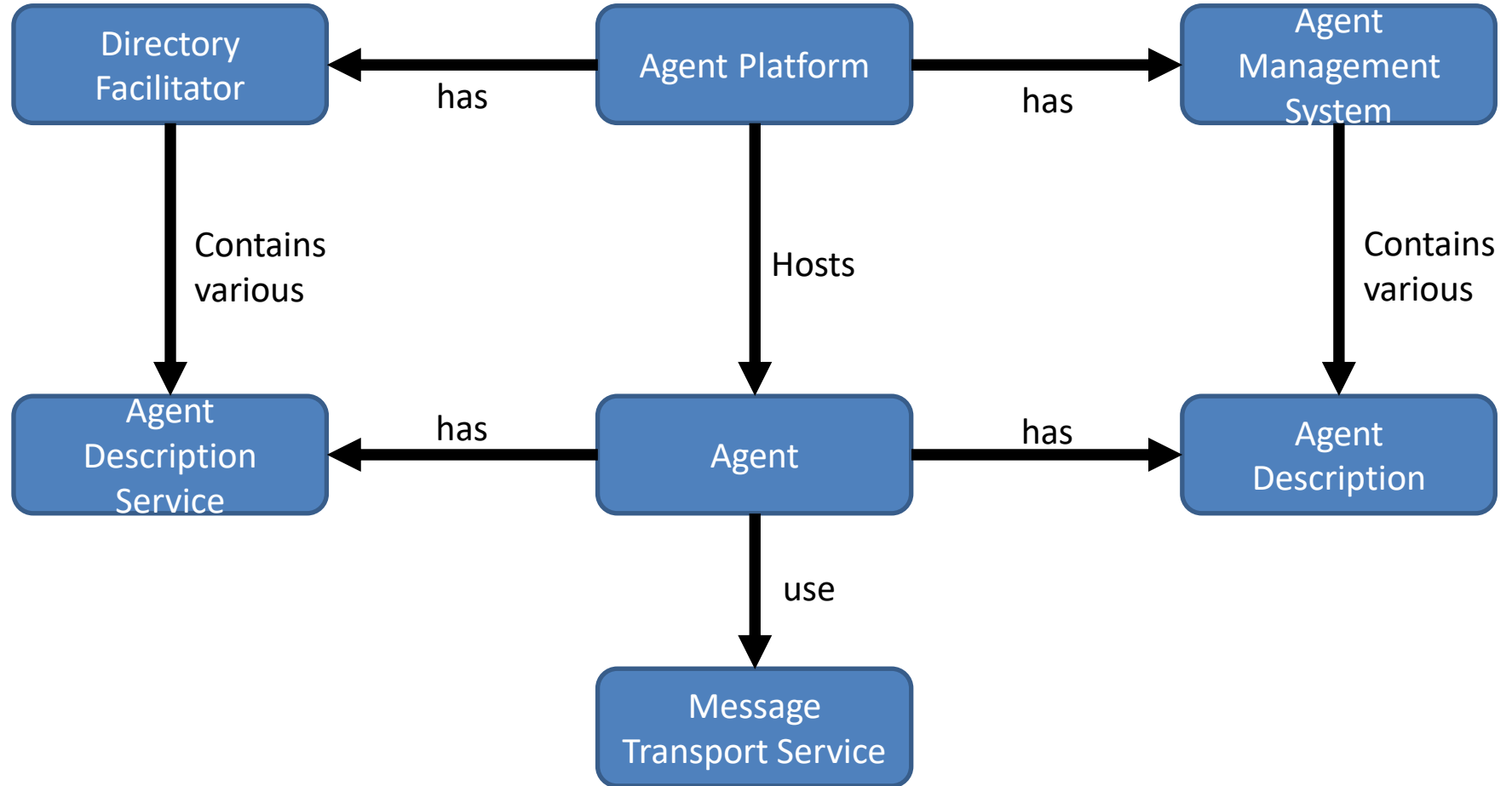
GUI with 2 agents



Platform - Set of distributed containers



Agent UML Diagram



Performative-FIPA compliant

- FIPA - Foundation for Intelligent Physical Agents.
- Promotes standards for agent development.
- Delivers Messages Representation, Agents Structure, Messages Structure, etc.
- FIPA Message Types: ASK, INFORM, REQUEST, PROPOSE, REFUSE, etc.

Agent Behaviours

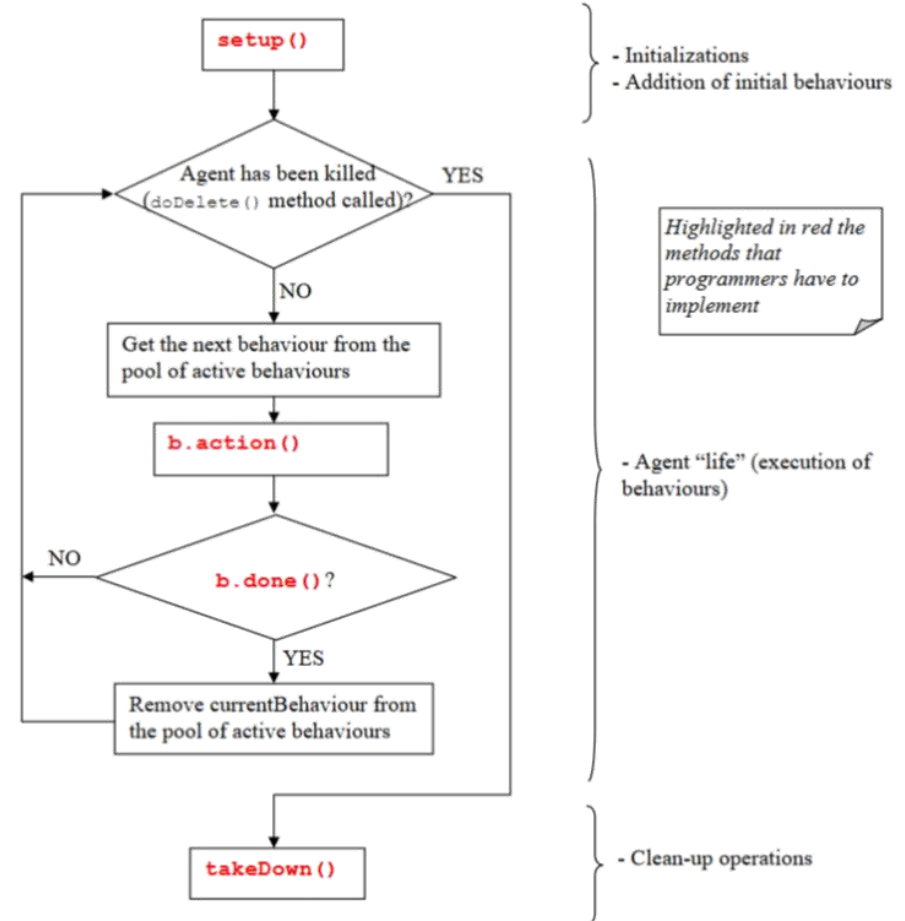
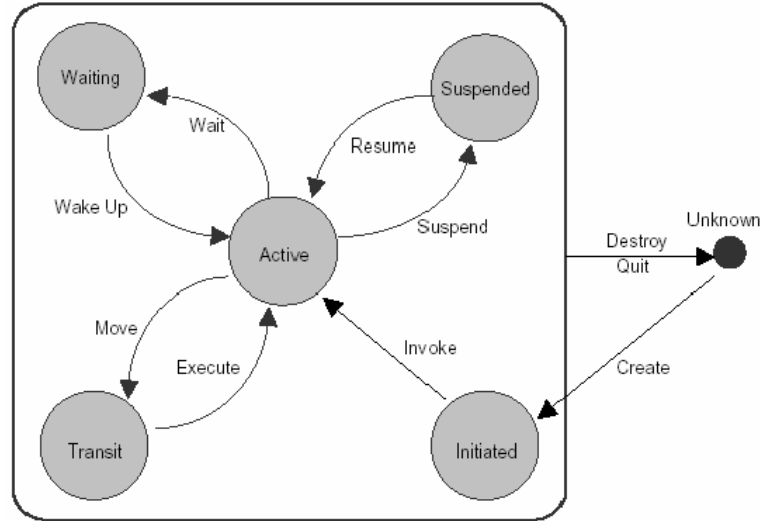
▪ Primitive:

- SimpleBehaviour
- CyclicBehaviour
- TickerBehaviour
- OneShotBehaviour
- WakerBehaviour
- SimpleAchieveREInitiator
- SimpleAchieveREResponder
- FSMBehaviour

▪ Complex:

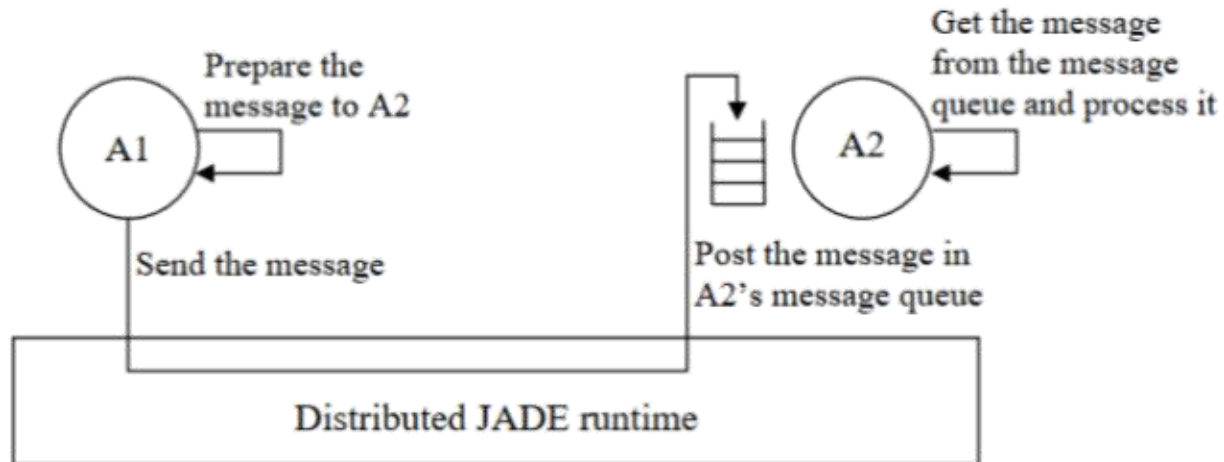
- ParallelBehaviour
- SequentialBehaviour

Agent Life Cycle



Message Transfer Procedure

- Asynchronous message transfer
- May have more than one receptor



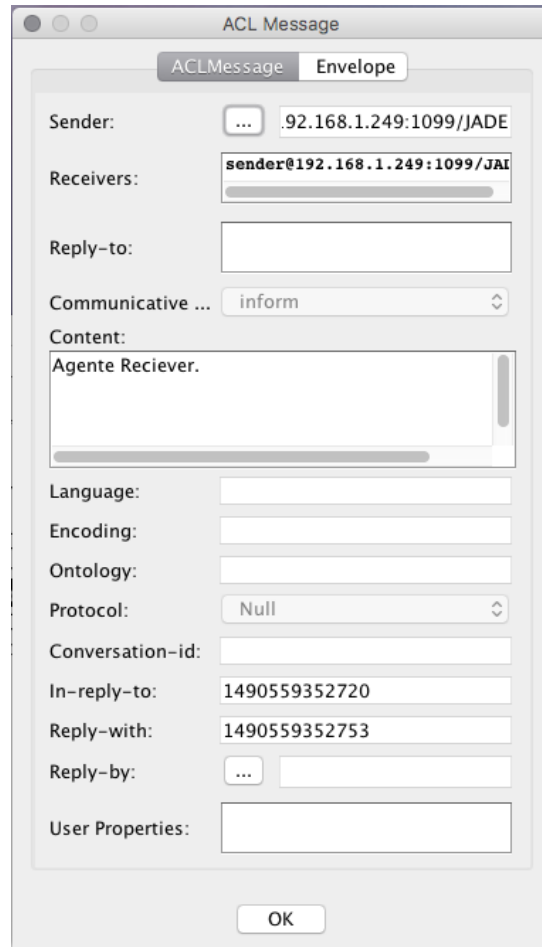
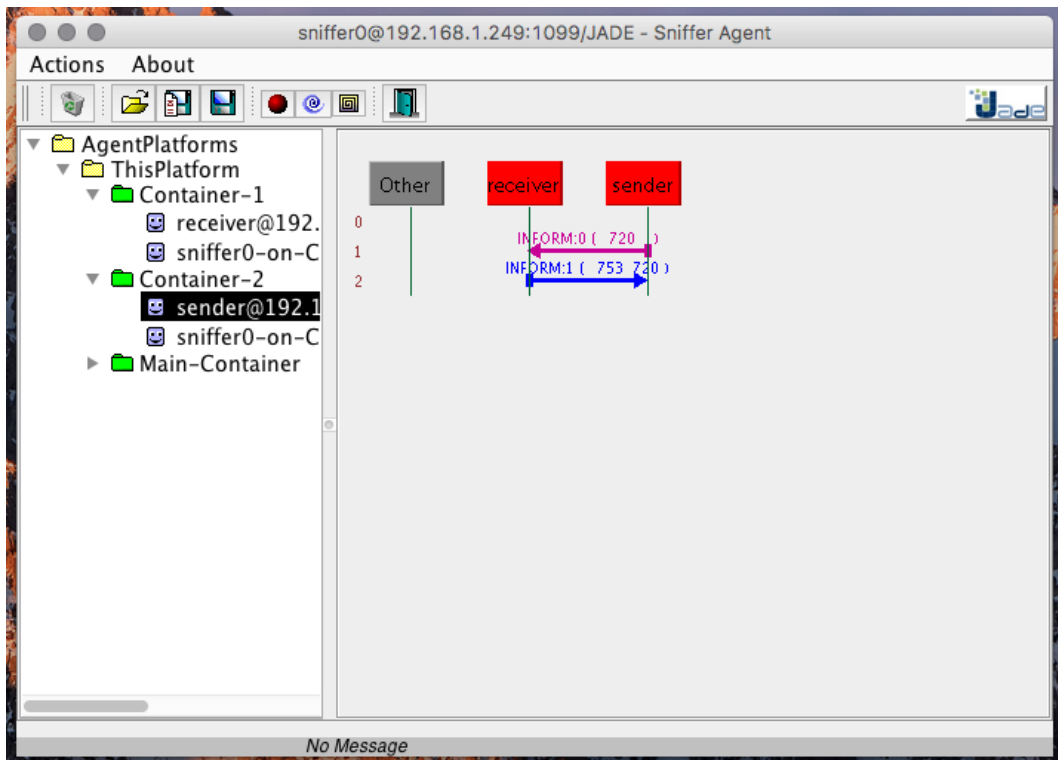
Message Example

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```
:sender      Admin@AdmM
:receiver    AM0001@AmM
:reply-with  1203302
:language    XML
:ontology    new_event
:content     <new-event>
               <id> 0001                </id>
               <prio> 3                  </prio>
               <sum> "Visit dentist"    </sum>
               <dateb>20090514          </dateb>
               <timeb>110000            </timeb>
               <datee>20090514          </datee>
               <timee>123000            </timee>
            </new-event>
```

)

Sniffer

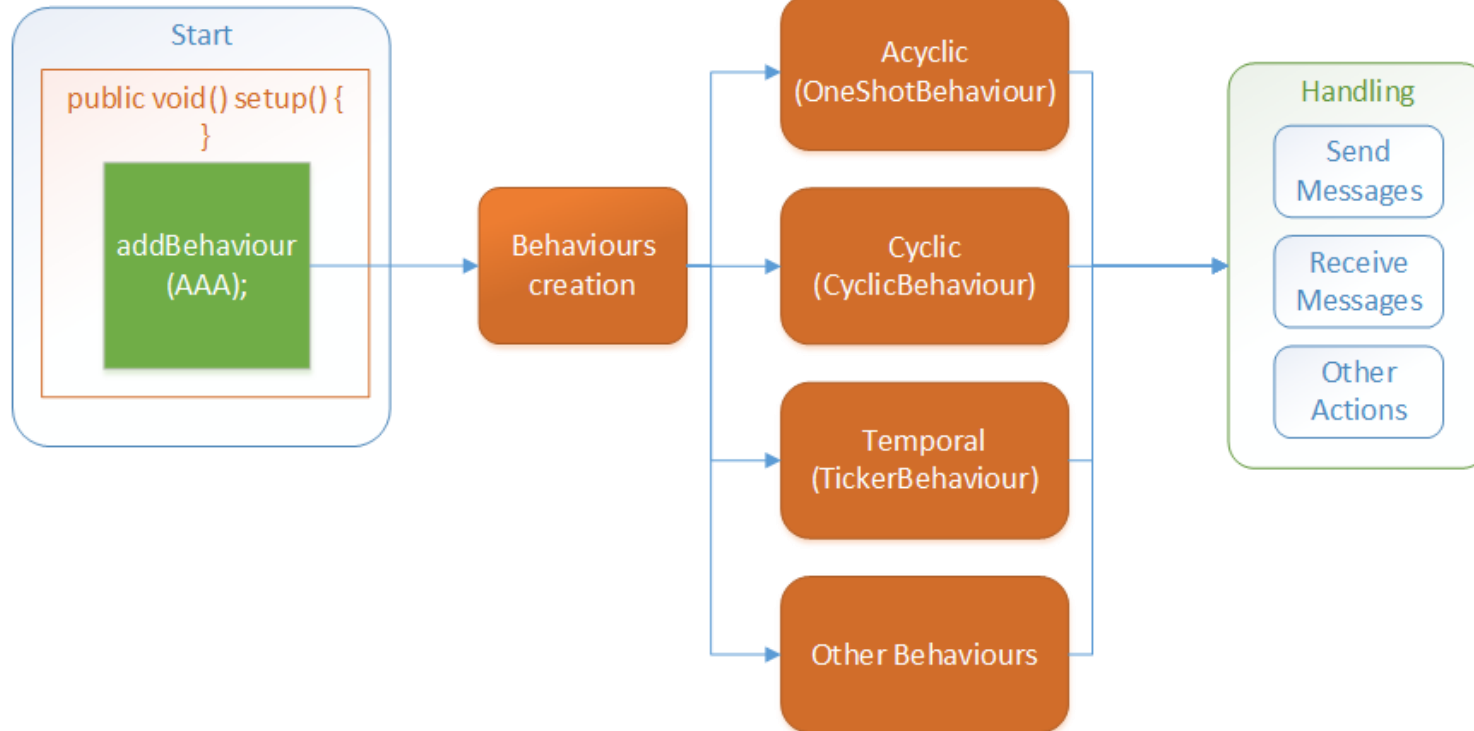


The screenshot shows the 'ACL Message' dialog box with two tabs: 'ACLMessage' and 'Envelope'. The 'ACLMessage' tab is active. The fields are as follows:

- Sender: ... 92.168.1.249:1099/JADE
- Receivers: sender@192.168.1.249:1099/JADE
- Reply-to: (empty)
- Communicative ...: inform
- Content: Agente Reciever.
- Language: (empty)
- Encoding: (empty)
- Ontology: (empty)
- Protocol: Null
- Conversation-id: (empty)
- In-reply-to: 1490559352720
- Reply-with: 1490559352753
- Reply-by: ... (empty)
- User Properties: (empty)

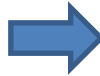
An 'OK' button is located at the bottom right.

Development Process



Agent Skeleton

```
public class HelloAgent extends
Agent {
    public void setup() {
        ...
    }
}
```



```
public class Hello extends Agent
{
    public void setup()
    {
        this.addBehaviour(do_something);
    }
}

private class do_something extends
CyclicBehaviour {
    public void action()
    {
        // Actions that the behaviour will do
        // Such as actions to send/receive messages
    }
}
```

Create & Send Messages

```
AID receiver = new AID();  
receiver.setLocalName("receiver");  
ACLMessage msg = new ACLMessage(ACLMessage.INFORM);  
msg.setContent("HelloWorld");  
msg.setConversationId(""+System.currentTimeMillis());  
msg.addReceiver(receiver);  
myAgent.send(msg);
```

Receive Messages

```
private ACLMessage msg = null;
if ((msg = myAgent.receive()) != null)
{
    System.out.println("New message received");
    System.out.println("Sender: " + msg.getSender().getLocalName());
    System.out.println("Name:" + msg.getSender().getName());
    System.out.println("Content: " + msg.getContent());
}
```

Start Platform

- Run the following command to start the Main-Container (console):
 - `java jade.Boot [Options] [Agents]`
- [Options]:
 - `-container`
 - `-host "HostName"` (default: localhost)
 - `-port "PortNumber"` (default: 1099)
 - `-gui` (RMA GUI)
- [Agents]:
 - Identifiers separated by spaces
 - Identifier is of type: **AgentName**:**JavaPackage**.**ClassName**

Start Platform

- Tools that simplify platform administration and Application development:
 - Remote Monitoring Agent;
 - Dummy Agent;
 - Sniffer Agent;
 - Introspector Agent;
 - Directory Facilitator GUI;

Basic Agent

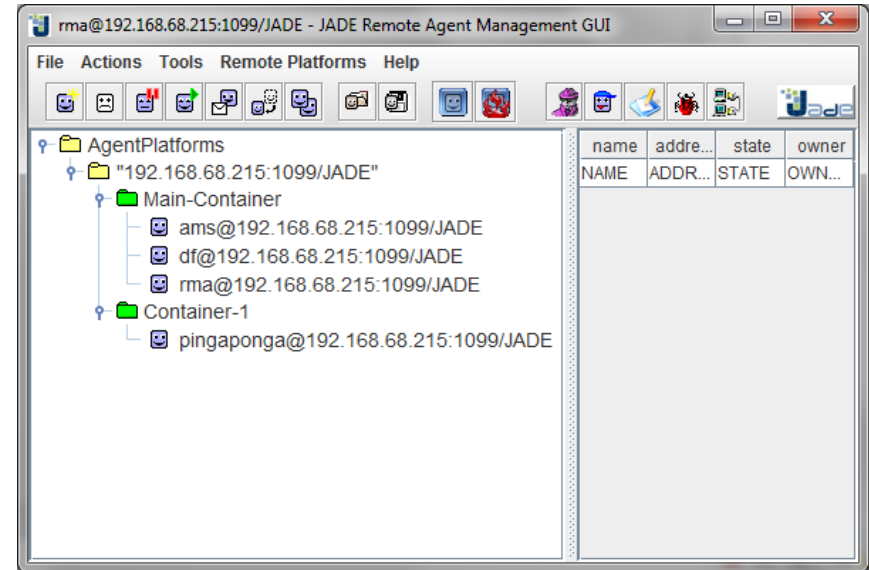
```
public class PingPong extends Agent
{
    @Override
    protected void setup()
    {
        super.setup();

        System.out.println(this.getLocalName()+" a começar!");
    }

    @Override
    protected void takeDown()
    {
        super.takeDown();

        System.out.println(this.getLocalName()+" a morrer...");
    }
}
```

```
set 15, 2015 10:17:58 AM jade.core.BaseService init
INFO: Service jade.core.management.AgentManagement initialized
set 15, 2015 10:17:58 AM jade.core.BaseService init
INFO: Service jade.core.messaging.Messaging initialized
set 15, 2015 10:17:58 AM jade.core.BaseService init
INFO: Service jade.core.resource.ResourceManagement initialized
set 15, 2015 10:17:58 AM jade.core.BaseService init
INFO: Service jade.core.mobility.AgentMobility initialized
set 15, 2015 10:17:58 AM jade.core.BaseService init
INFO: Service jade.core.event.Notification initialized
set 15, 2015 10:17:58 AM jade.core.AgentContainerImpl joinPlatform
INFO: -----
Agent container Container-1@192.168.68.215 is ready.
-----
pingaponga a começar!
```



In order to execute takeDown() method, the agent must invoke the doDelete() method inside the setup() method.



Message Receive

```
public class PingPong extends Agent
{
    @Override
    protected void setup()
    {
        super.setup();
        System.out.println(this.getLocalName()+" a começar!");

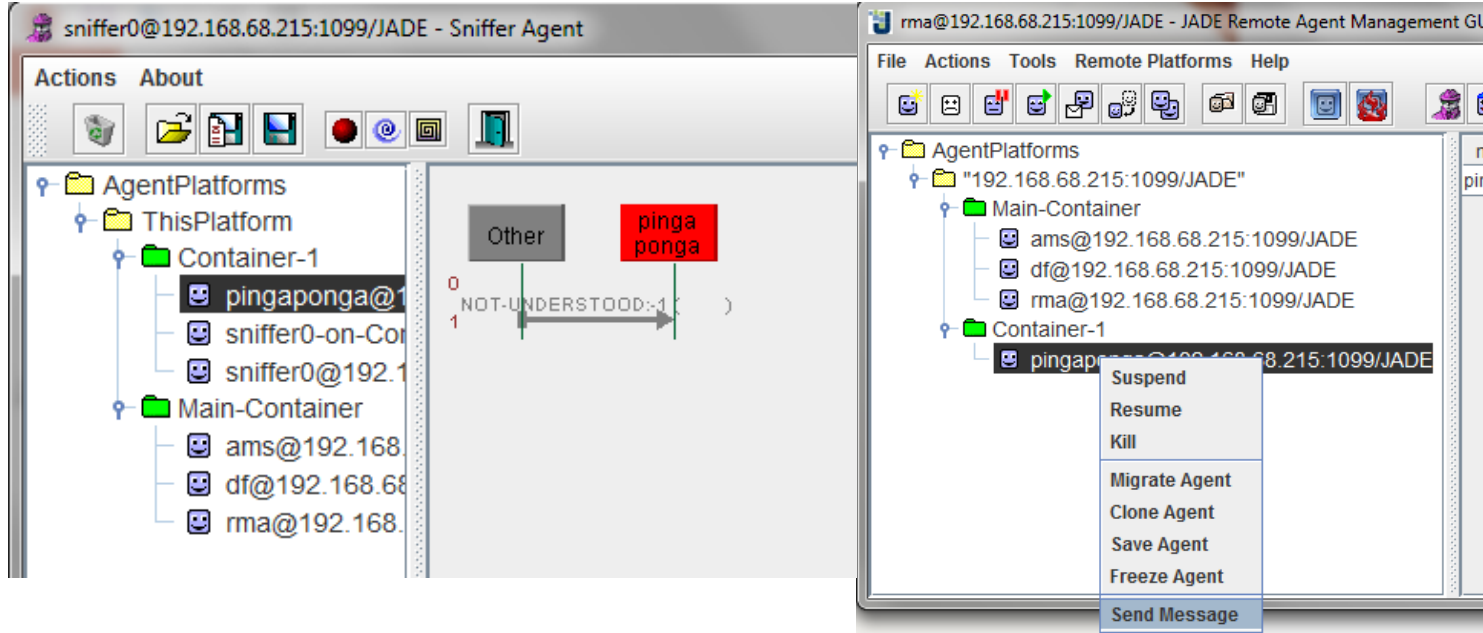
        this.addBehaviour(new ReceiveBehavior());
    }

    @Override
    protected void takeDown()
    {
        super.takeDown();

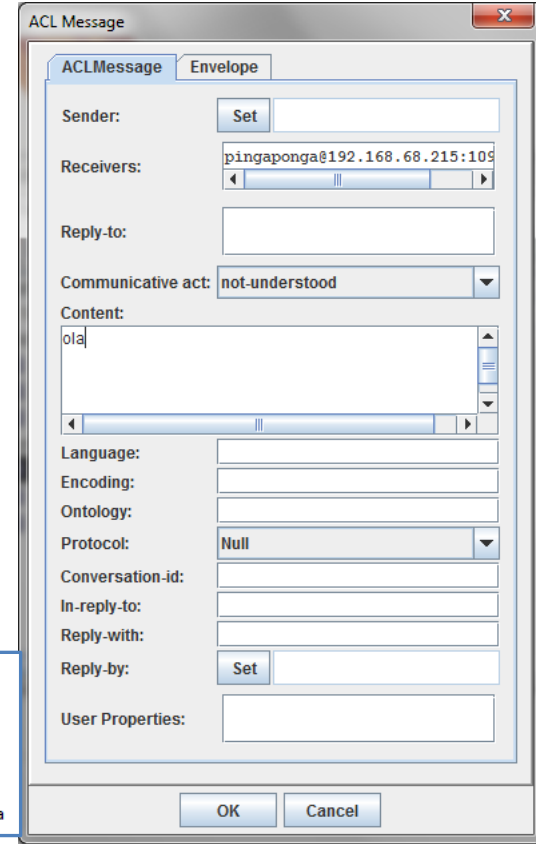
        System.out.println(this.getLocalName()+" a morrer...");
    }

    private class ReceiveBehavior extends CyclicBehaviour
    {
        @Override
        public void action()
        {
            ACLMessage msg = receive();
            if (msg != null)
            {
                System.out.println("Recebi uma mensagem de "+msg.getSender()+" . Conteúdo: "+msg.getContent());
            }
            block();
        }
    }
};
}
```


Message Receive



```
set 15, 2015 10:23:28 AM jade.core.BaseService init
INFO: Service jade.core.event.Notification initialized
pinga ponga a começar!
set 15, 2015 10:23:28 AM jade.core.AgentContainerImpl joinPlatform
INFO: -----
Agent container Container-2@192.168.68.215 is ready.
-----
Recebi uma mensagem de ( agent-identifier :name rma@192.168.68.215:1099/JADE :addresses (sequence http://192.168.68.215:7778/acc ) ). Conteúdo: ola
```





Message Reply

```
private class AnswerBehavior extends CyclicBehaviour
{
    @Override
    public void action()
    {
        ACLMessage msg = receive();
        if (msg != null)
        {
            System.out.println("Recebi uma mensagem de "+msg.getSender()+" Conteúdo: "+msg.getContent());
            ACLMessage resp = msg.createReply();

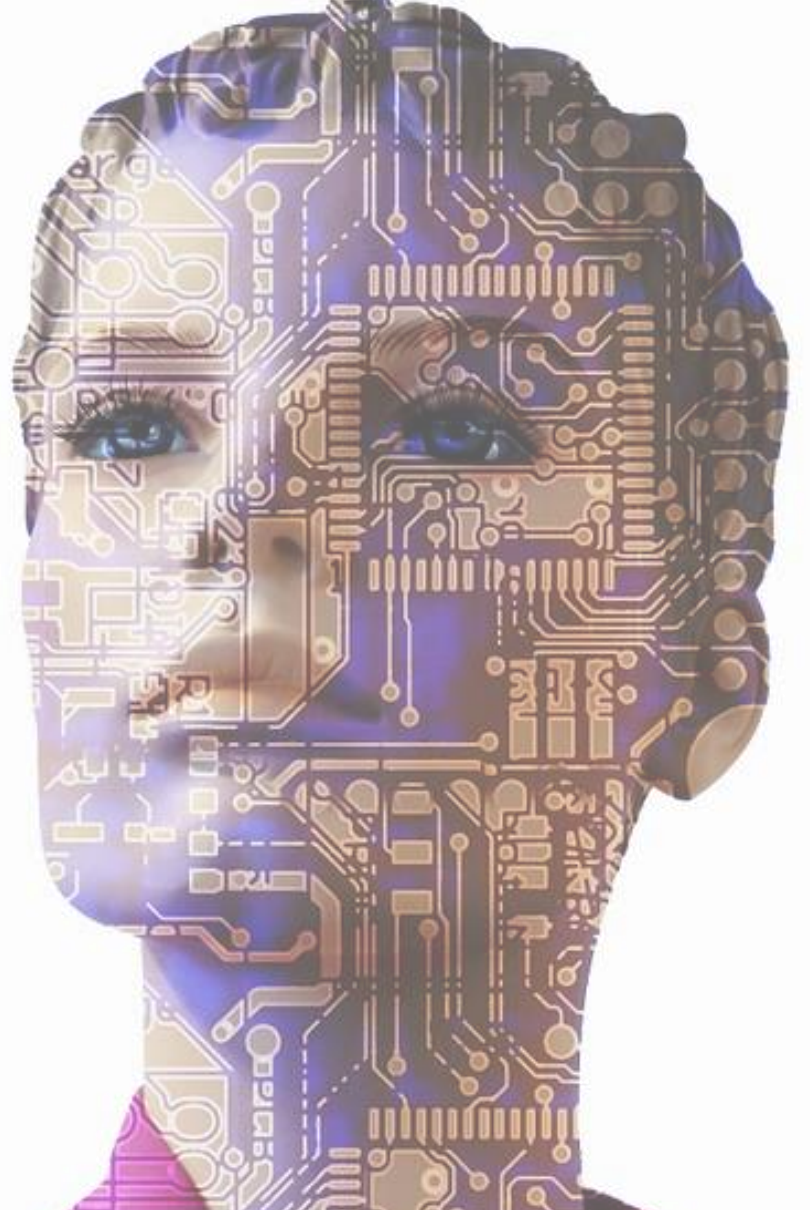
            if (msg.getContent().equals("ping"))
            {
                resp.setContent("pong");
                resp.setPerformative(ACLMessage.INFORM);
            }
            else
            {
                resp.setContent("Não percebi...");
                resp.setPerformative(ACLMessage.NOT_UNDERSTOOD);
            }

            send(resp);
        }
        block();
    }
}
```

```
@Override
protected void setup()
{
    super.setup();
    System.out.println(this.getLocalName()+" a começar!");

    //this.addBehaviour(new ReceiveBehavior());
    this.addBehaviour(new AnswerBehavior());
}
```

Environment Setup



Software Required:

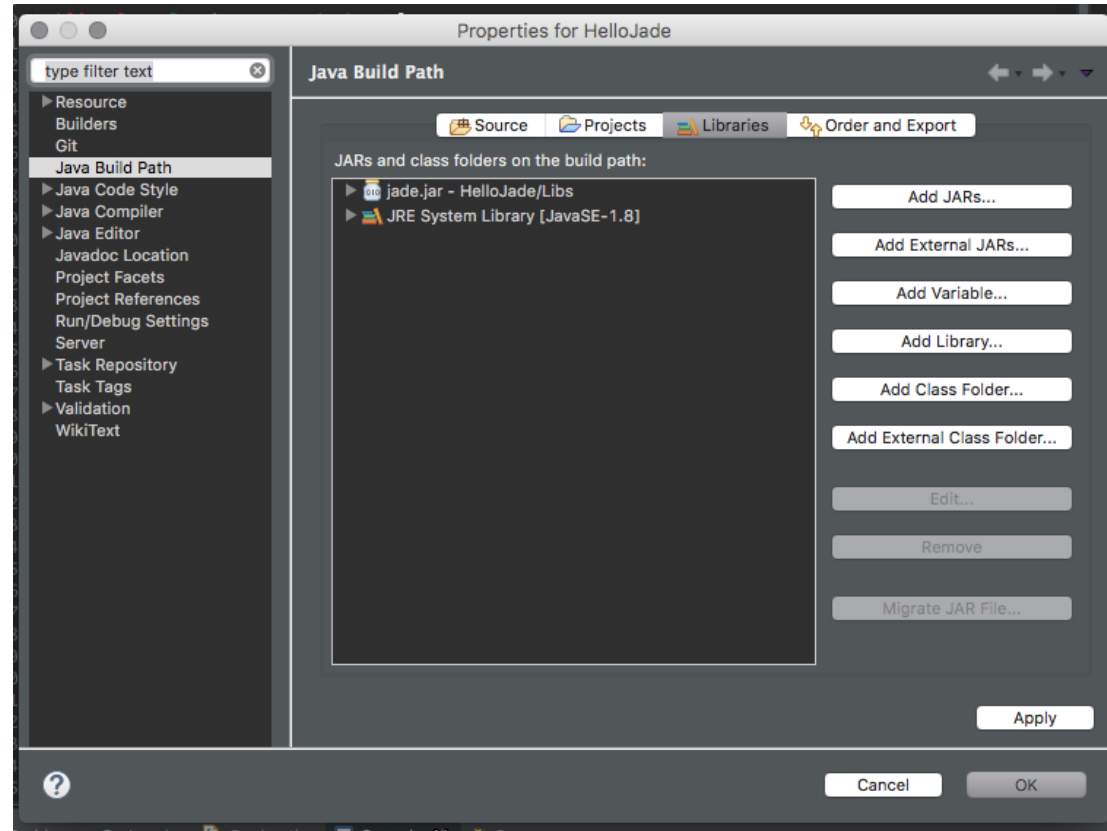
■ Downloads:

- Eclipse IDE for Java Developers (requirements: Java Development Kit)
 - <https://www.eclipse.org/downloads/>
- JADE API (jadeBin is enough!)
 - <https://jade.tilab.com/download/jade/>

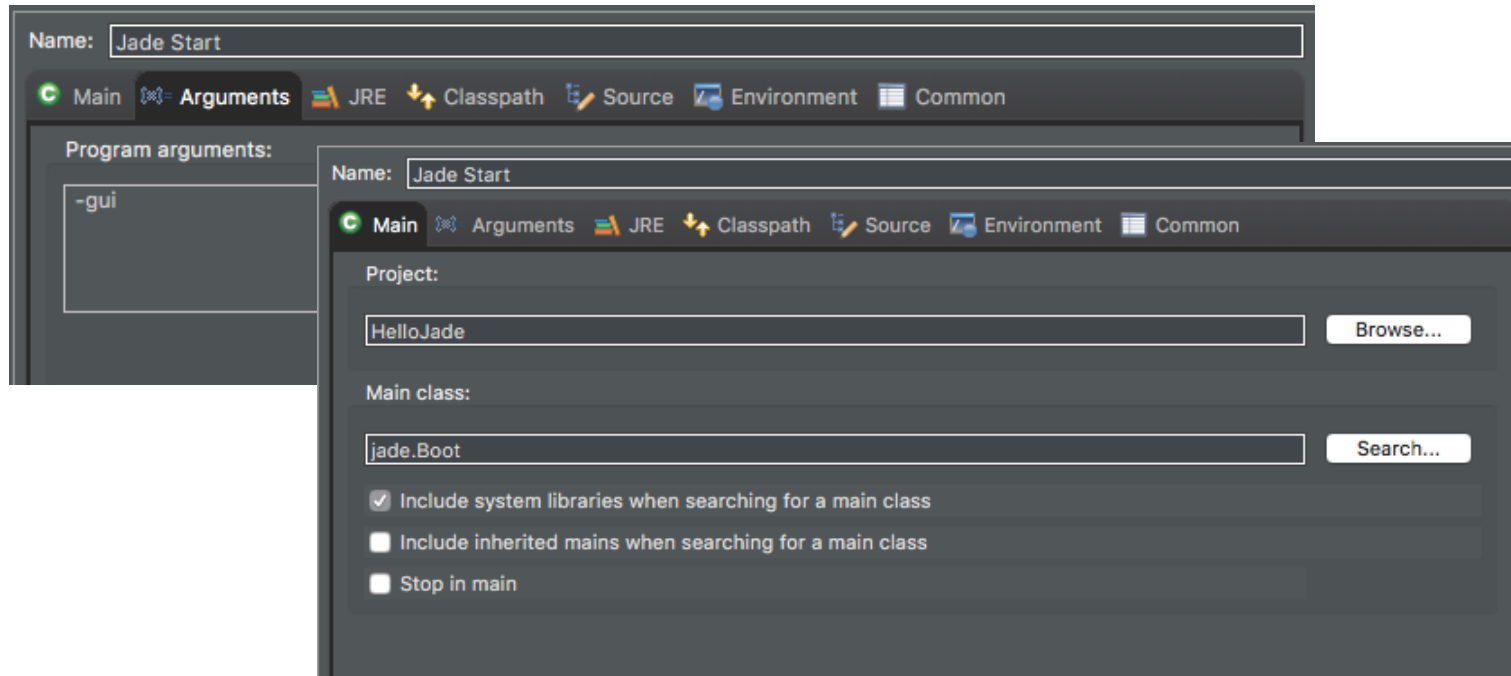
■ After Installing Eclipse, configure it to use JADE API:

- Open Eclipse -> Create new Java Project
- Right Click Project -> Java Build Path -> Add External JAR (select JAR file found in JADE zip)
- Time to develop and run your own Agent (<https://jade.tilab.com/doc/tutorials/JADEProgramming-Tutorial-for-beginners.pdf>)
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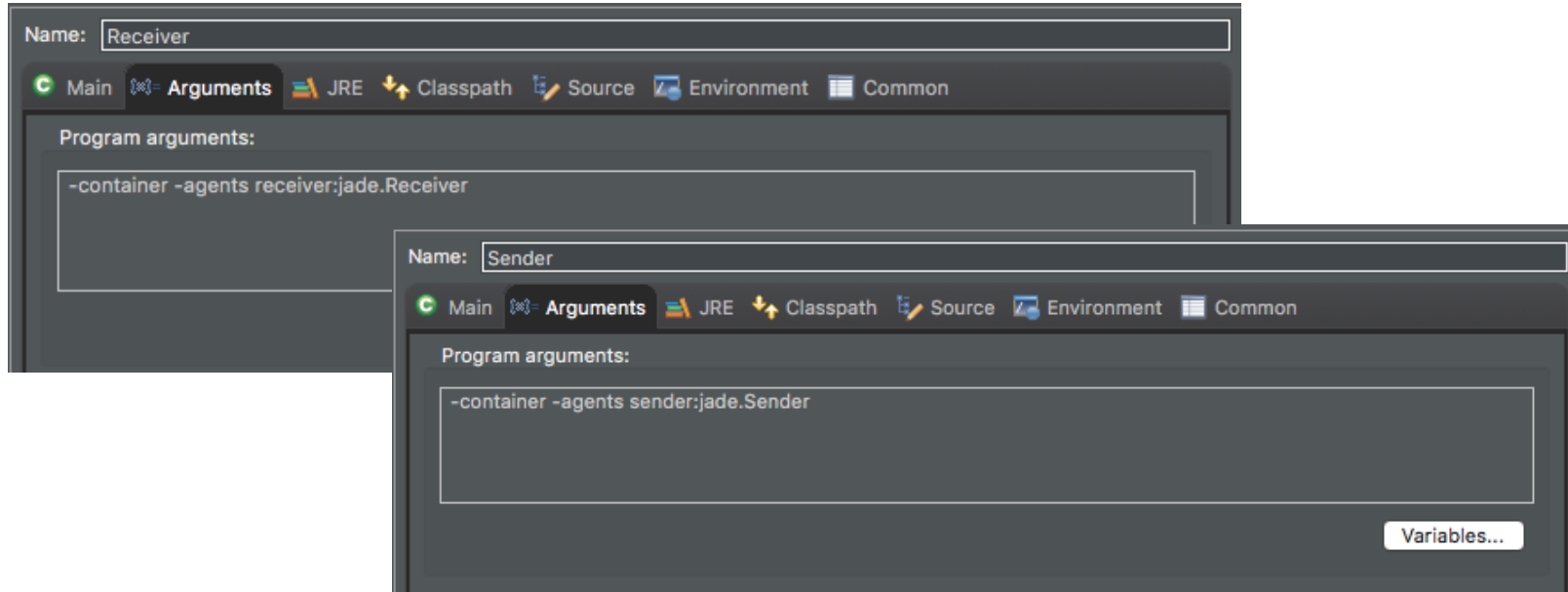
Eclipse Setup



Run Configuration – Launch Main Container

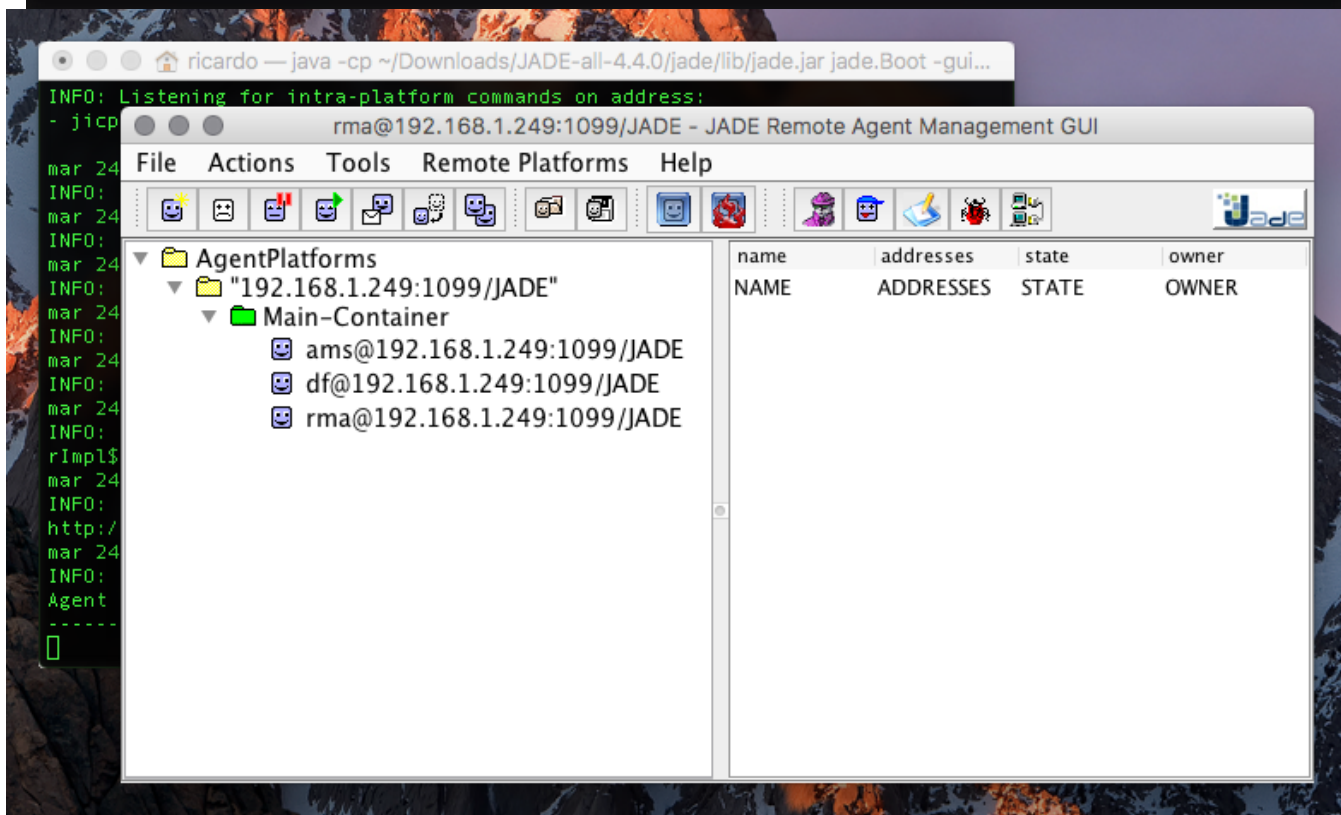


Run Configuration – Execute Agent in Container



Jade Start

```
java -cp /Users/ricardo/Downloads/JADE-all-4.4.0/jade/lib/jade.jar jade.Boot -gui
```



The screenshot shows the Jade Remote Agent Management GUI. The title bar reads "rma@192.168.1.249:1099/JADE - JADE Remote Agent Management GUI". The menu bar includes "File", "Actions", "Tools", "Remote Platforms", and "Help". The toolbar contains various icons for agent management. The left pane shows a tree view of "AgentPlatforms" with a folder "192.168.1.249:1099/JADE" containing a "Main-Container" with three agents: "ams@192.168.1.249:1099/JADE", "df@192.168.1.249:1099/JADE", and "rma@192.168.1.249:1099/JADE". The right pane displays a table with columns "name", "addresses", "state", and "owner".

name	addresses	state	owner
NAME	ADDRESSES	STATE	OWNER

Jade Start

```
[iMac-de-Ricardo:~ ricardo$ java -cp /Users/ricardo/Downloads/JADE-all-4.4.0/jade]
/lib/jade.jar jade.Boot -gui
mar 26, 2017 9:25:42 PM jade.core.Runtime beginContainer
INFO: -----
      This is JADE 4.4.0 - revision 6778 of 21-12-2015 12:24:43
      downloaded in Open Source, under LGPL restrictions,
      at http://jade.tilab.com/
      -----
mar 26, 2017 9:25:42 PM jade.imtp.leap.LEAPIMTPManager initialize
INFO: Listening for intra-platform commands on address:
- jicp://192.168.1.249:1099

mar 26, 2017 9:25:43 PM jade.core.BaseService init
INFO: Service jade.core.management.AgentManagement initialized
mar 26, 2017 9:25:43 PM jade.core.BaseService init
INFO: Service jade.core.messaging.Messaging initialized
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INFO: Service jade.core.mobility.AgentMobility initialized
mar 26, 2017 9:25:43 PM jade.core.BaseService init
INFO: Service jade.core.event.Notification initialized
mar 26, 2017 9:25:43 PM jade.mtp.http.HTTPServer <init>
INFO: HTTP-MTP Using XML parser com.sun.org.apache.xerces.internal.jaxp.SAXParser
rImpl$JAXPSAXParser
mar 26, 2017 9:25:43 PM jade.core.messaging.MessagingService boot
INFO: MTP addresses:
http://192.168.1.249:7778/acc
mar 26, 2017 9:25:43 PM jade.core.AgentContainerImpl joinPlatform
INFO: -----
Agent container Main-Container@192.168.1.249 is ready.
-----
```



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