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Ladon A Distributed State-Machine Framework



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Part I

Projects



Semiconductor Manufacturing



- mid-late 1990's
- Irix based SGI machine
- Several SBC's running VxWorks
- X/Y Stage, mask holder, transfer robot ...
- Cordination of soft items
- Real-time Object Oriented Modeling (ROOM)
 Evangelist



Event Driven Video Systems



- 1998 2002
- Intel based computers
- 4 16 video channels input
- cordination between dozens of systems
- cordination with external triggers
- run-time plugable behaviour
- Java and C++ ROOM implementations



Cielometer



- Coldfire processor
- 1M flash / 64k RAM, No OS
- CPLD support/cordination
- Laser control
- Environmental control
- Optical feedback systems
- Signal processing algorithms
- Communication with multiple devices
- ArgoUML graphics to code, Bare-wire support



Visibility Sensor



- 5 Coldfire processors
- Self organizing
- Various optical and electronic cordinations
- Environmental control
- Signal processing algorithms
- Communication with multiple devices
- Targeting / colouring, run-time communication binding, real-time MSC generation



Elecro-magnetic Subterrain Mapping



- 4 Coldfire processors
- 256k Flash / 32k RAM, No OS
- Self organizing
- EM field generation
- Signal collection
- Signal processing
- Time synchronization and jitter control
- Multi-drop time-division communication



Custom Calibration Equipment



- ▶ PC running Linux
- Pnuematic actuators
- Various analog and digital hardware I/O modules
- Serial communication with unit under test
- Barcode scanners
- Coordinating with remote instance MongoDB
- Protocol grammars specified via Qi/Karma



Glass Sorter



- ▶ PC running Linux
- Control firing sequence for 864 air-jets
- Control line scan camera
- Cordinate/control memory (DMA and streams)
- Image processing algorithms
- Control various conveyors, actuators, sensors...
- Various physical/logical and protocols for devices



Glass Sorter



- 4-way sorting
- 7.5 tons of material per hour. 4-crushed wine bottles a second.
- 170,000 air jet firing decisions made a second
- Over 4-million pixels processed each second to determine firing sequence
- 5ms flight from scan line to first row of air jets



Part II

Why State-machines



State-machine

- ► Event driven system... reactive
- Plainly deterministic
- Easier to reason about
- Forces consideration of errors



Where?



Where?

- Communication protocols
- Trivial machines with a dozen states



Part III

Introduction



A Brief History

- Real-time Object-Oriented Modeling (ROOM), Selic, Gullekson, and Ward. 1994 Wiley
- ObjecTime implemented the ROOM concepts
- 1997, Rational Software took a substantial interest
- OMG accepts Rational's modified ROOM as UML real-time
- Rational fully purchased ObjecTime who was in turn acquired by IBM - 2003
- ▶ 1998 OMD Java version OMD RT-Suite (ROOM) first released 2000
- 2012 OMD is now Ciere Consulting and Ladon is a modern implementation (Modern C++ and Javascript)



Etymology

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Part IV

Concepts



Credit

Ladon largly uses the concepts and langauge of ROOM.



Actor

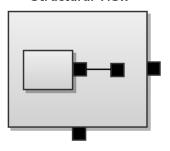
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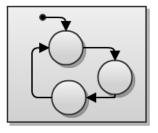


Actor - Structure and Behaviour

Structural View

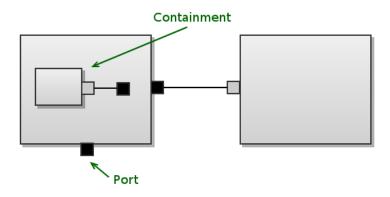


Behavioural View

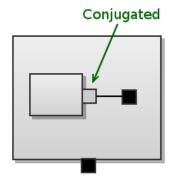




Actor - Structure

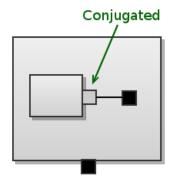






- ► Port implements a Protocol
- A Protocol specifies an In set and an Out set of Messages
- A Message consists of a signal and a payload
- A conjugated port swaps In and Out sets

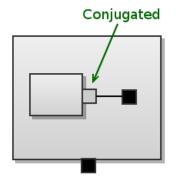




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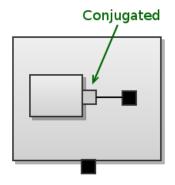
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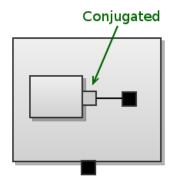
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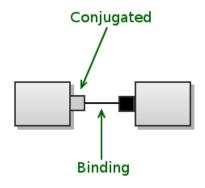
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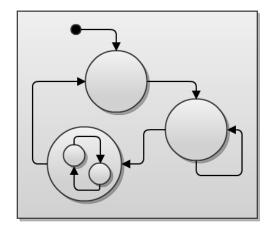
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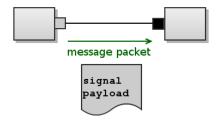
Actor - Behavioral





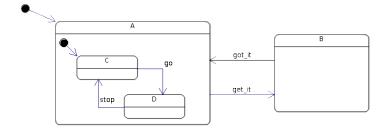
Actor - Message Passing

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dir signal
in ping
out ping
in start_task
out task_done
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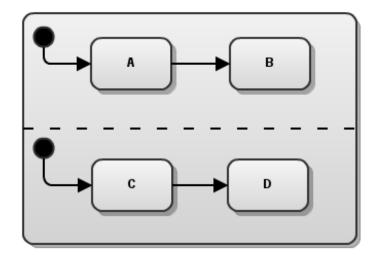


Actor - Simple Example



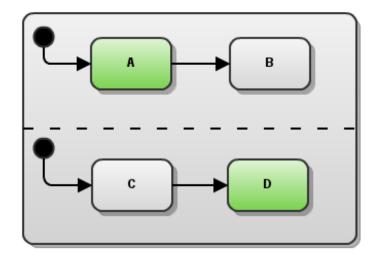


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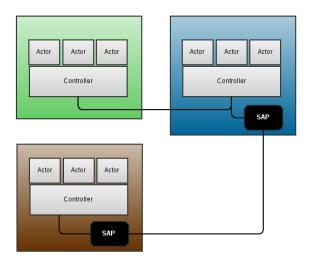


Part V

Architecture



Some Impl



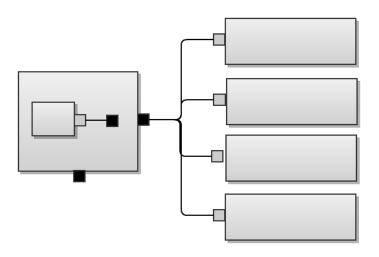


Part VI

Example



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Part VII

Techniques



Part VIII

Status



Status

- ► Ladon C++
- ► LadonJS



