

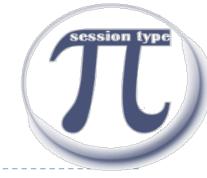
MULTIPARTY SESSION TYPES Scribble and applications

Multiparty Session Types

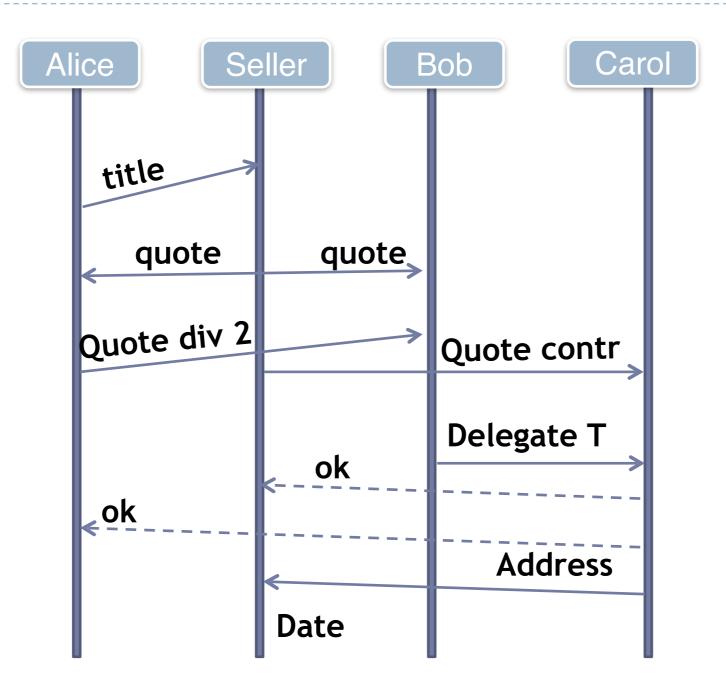
Motivation

Binary Session Types and Duality





Wait a minute! What if it is more than 2?

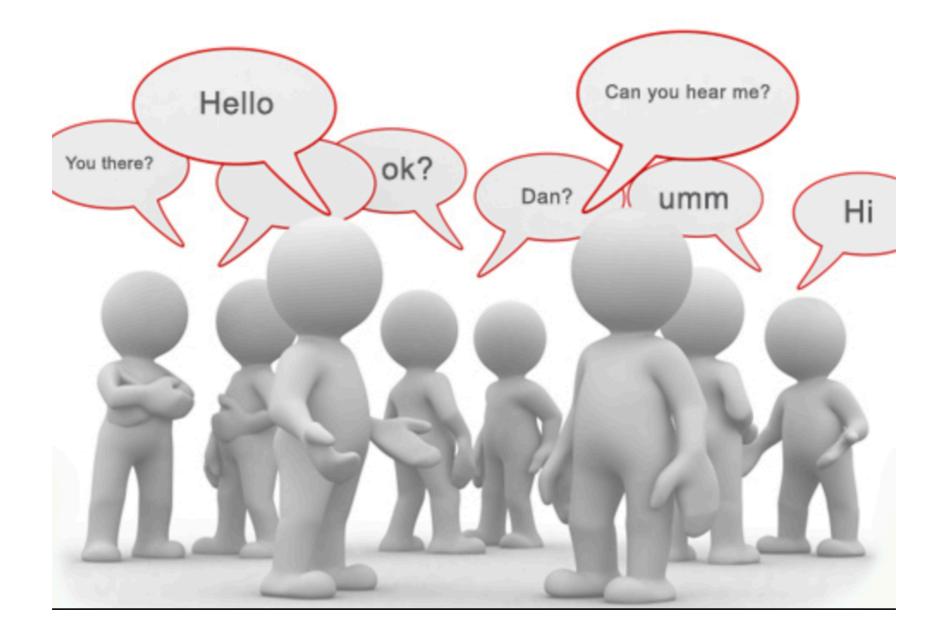


The only problem is...

communication is more like this ...



Or... even like this



Original (Binary) Session Types Paper



LANGUAGE PRIMITIVES AND TYPE DISCIPLINE FOR STRUCTURED COMMUNICATION-BASED PROGRAMMING

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ABSTRACT. We introduce basic language constructs and a type discipline as a foundation of structured communication-based concurrent programming. The constructs, which are easily translatable into the summation-less asynchronous π -calculus, allow programmers to organise programs as a combination of multiple flows of (possibly unbounded) reciprocal interactions in a simple and elegant way, subsuming the preceding communication primitives such as method invocation and rendez-vous. The resulting syntactic structure is exploited by a type discipline à la ML, which offers a high-level type abstraction of interactive behaviours of programs as well as guaranteeing the compatibility of interaction patterns between processes in a well-typed program. After presenting the formal semantics, the use of language constructs is illustrated through examples, and the basic syntactic results of the type discipline are established. Implementation concerns are also addressed.

Multiparty Session Types Paper



Multiparty Asynchronous Session Types

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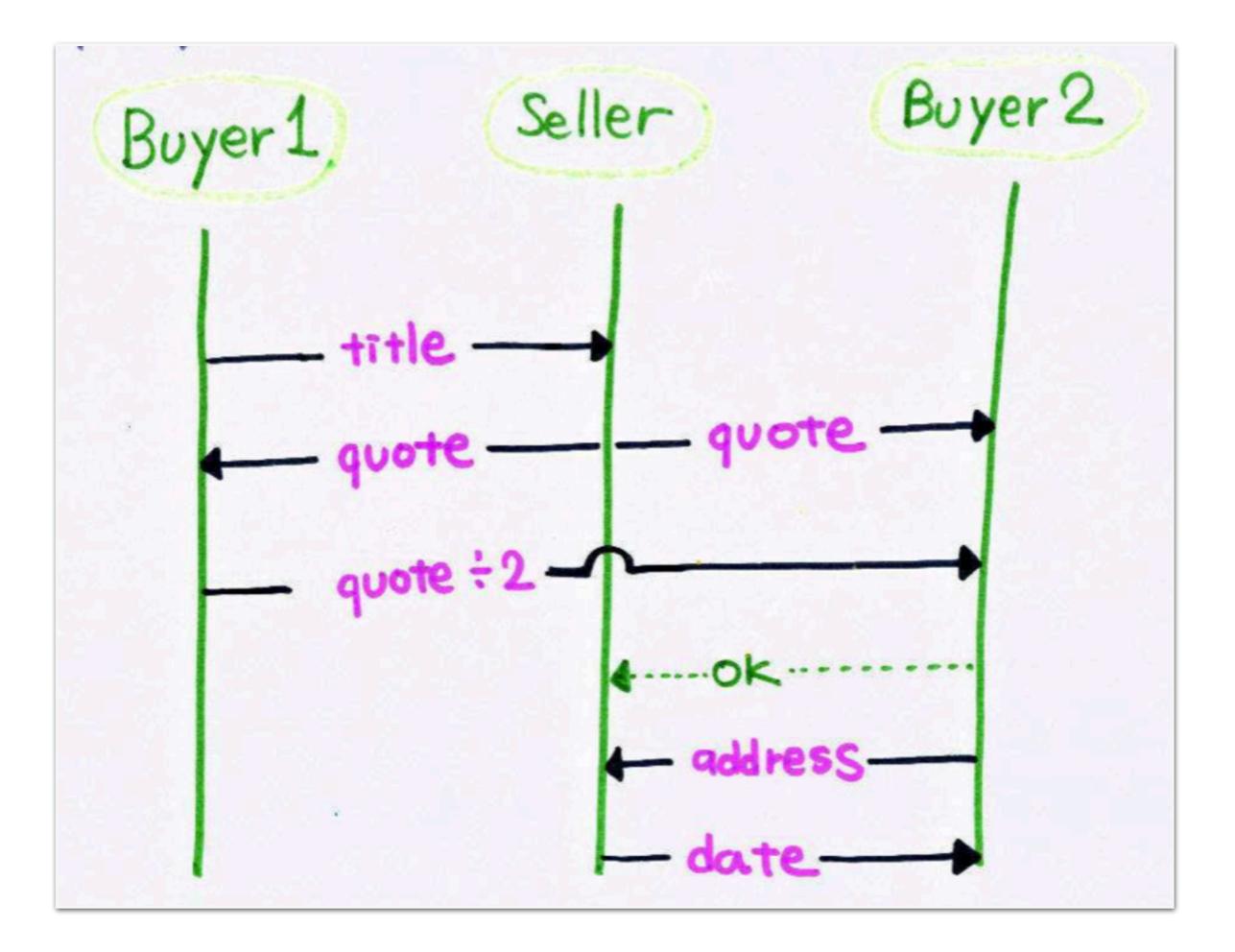
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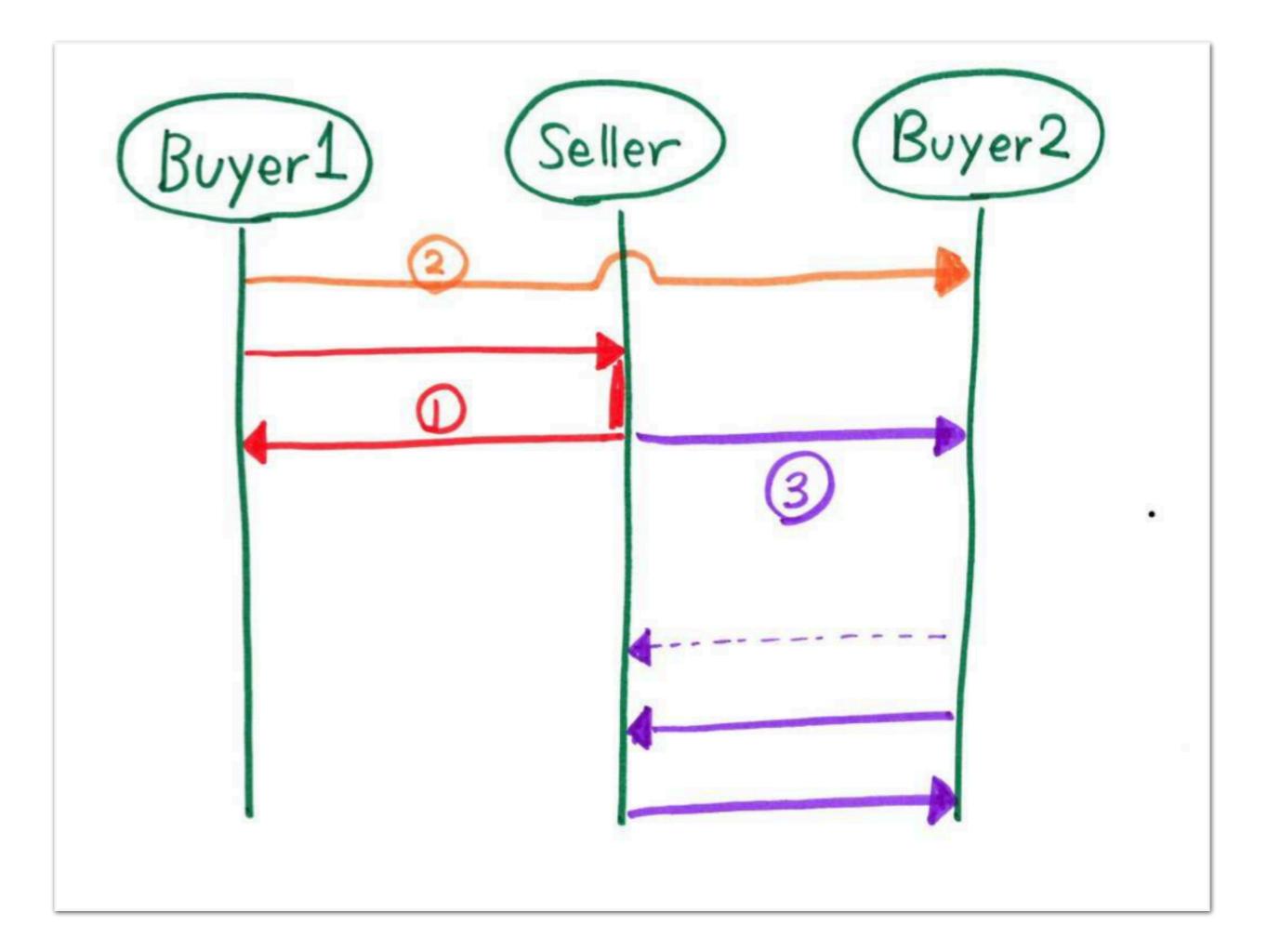
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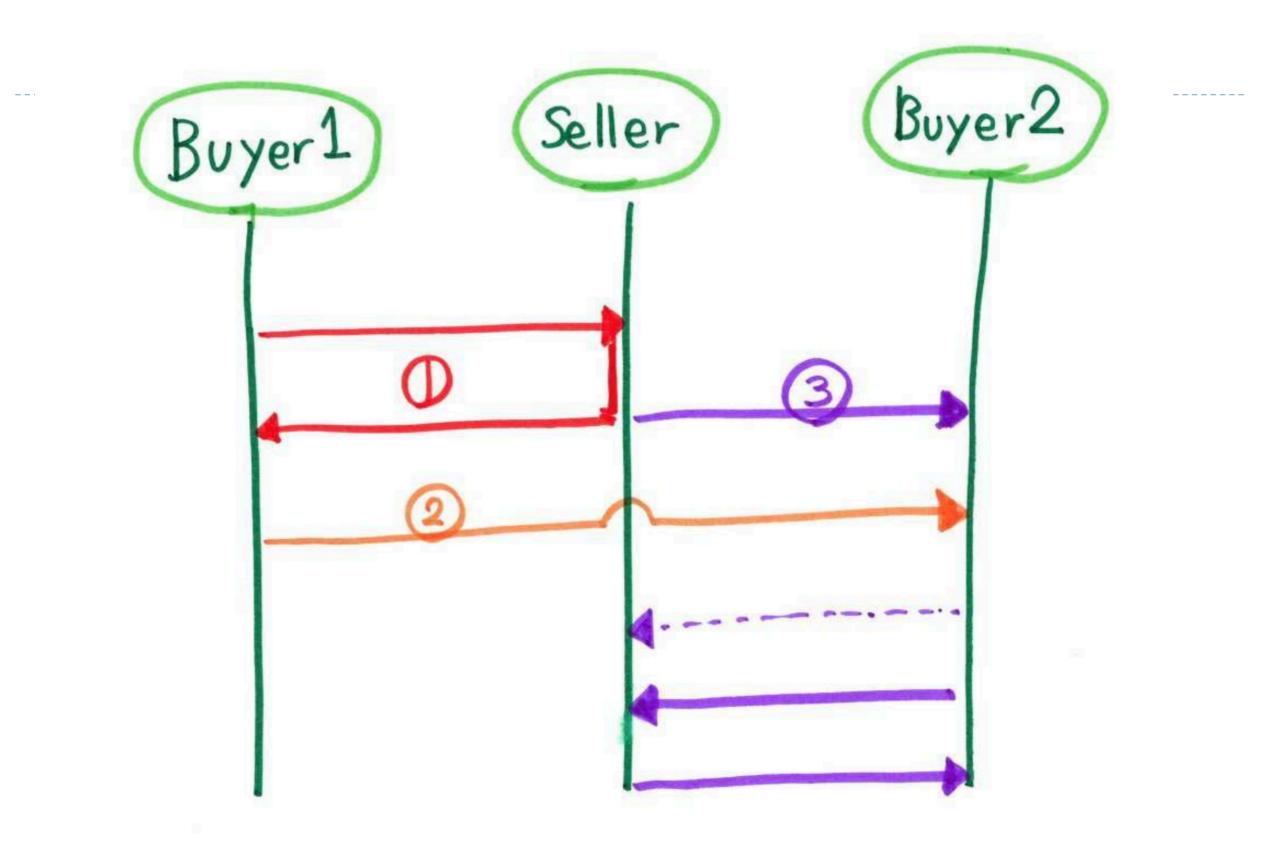
Communication is becoming one of the central elements in software development. As a potential typed foundation for structured communication-centred programming, session types have been studied over the last decade for a wide range of process calculi and programming languages, focussing on binary (two-party) sessions. This work extends the foregoing theories of binary session types to multiparty, asynchronous sessions, which often arise in practical communication-centred applications. Presented as a typed calculus for mobile processes, the theory introduces a new notion of types in which interactions involving multiple peers are directly abstracted as a global scenario. Global types retain a friendly type syntax of binary session types while capturing complex causal chains of multiparty asynchronous interactions. A global type plays the role of a shared agreement among communication peers, and is used as a basis of efficient type checking through its projection onto individual vices (Carbone et al. 2006, 2007; WS-CDL; Sparkes 2006; Honda et al. 2007a). A basic observation underlying session types is that a communication-centred application often exhibits a highly structured sequence of interactions involving, for example, branching and recursion, which as a whole form a natural unit of conversation, or *session*. The structure of a conversation is abstracted as a type through an intuitive syntax, which is then used as a basis of validating programs through an associated type discipline.

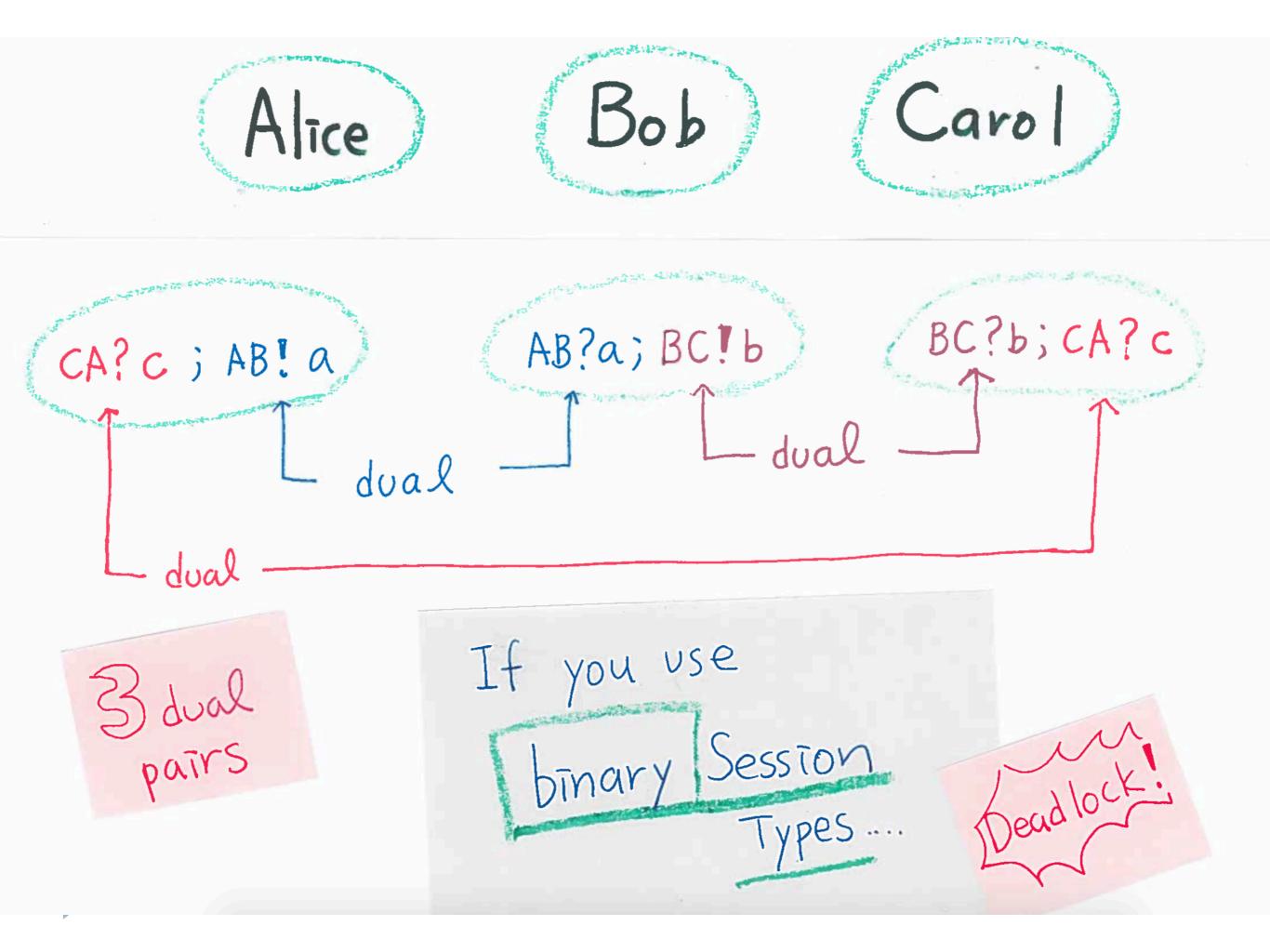
As an example, the following session type describes a simple business protocol between Buyer and Seller from Buyer's viewpoint: Buyer sends the title of a book (a string), Seller sends a quote (an integer). If Buyer is satisfied by the quote, then sends his address (a string) and Seller sends back the delivery date (a date); otherwise it quits the conversation.

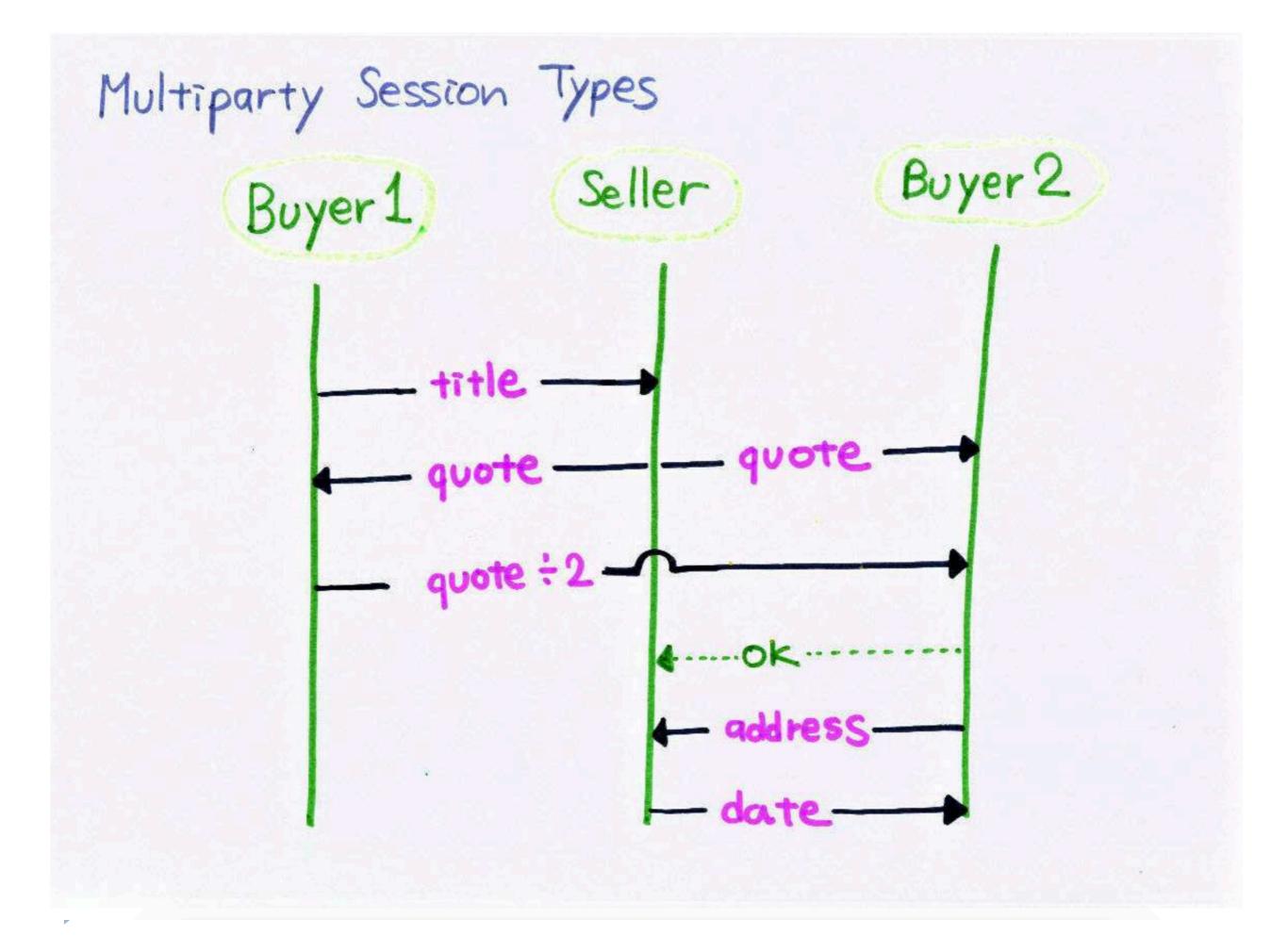
!string; ?int; \oplus {ok :!string; ?date; end, quit : end} (1)

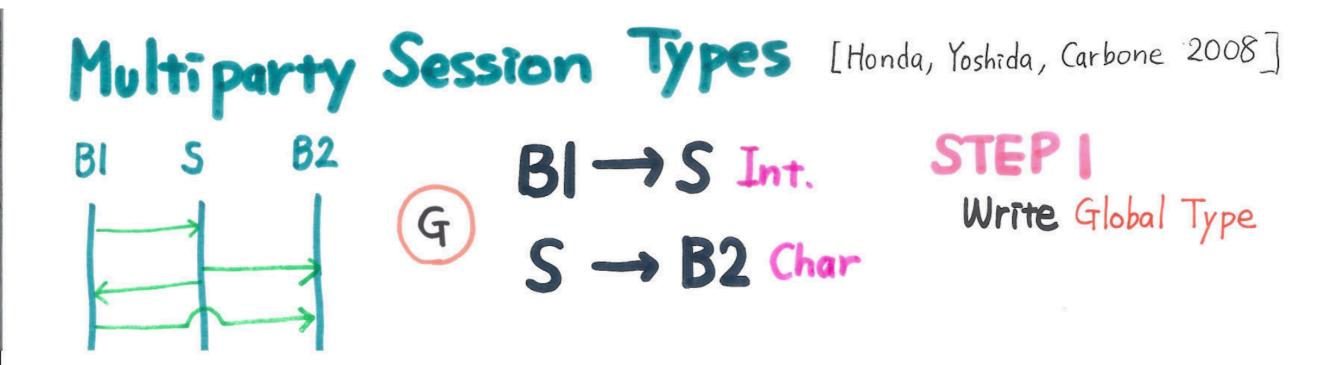


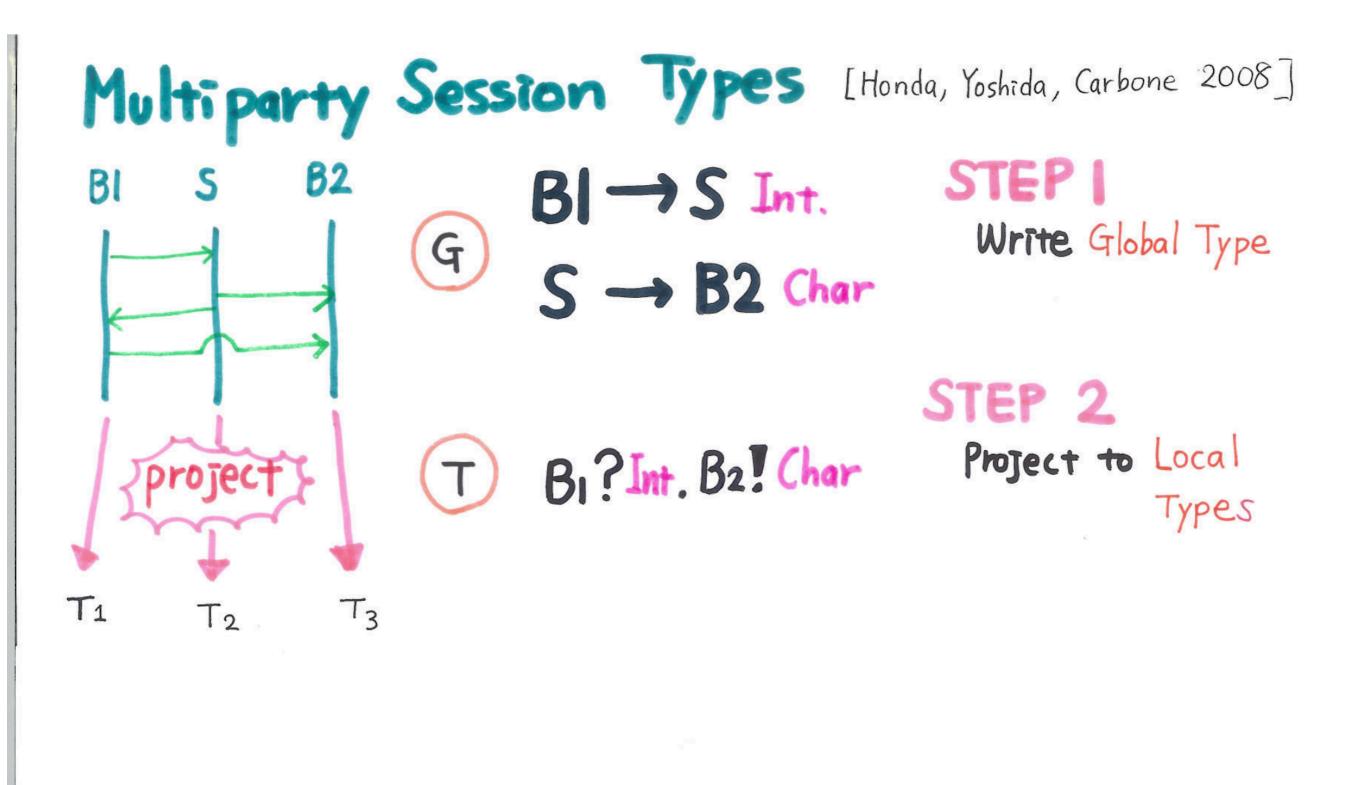


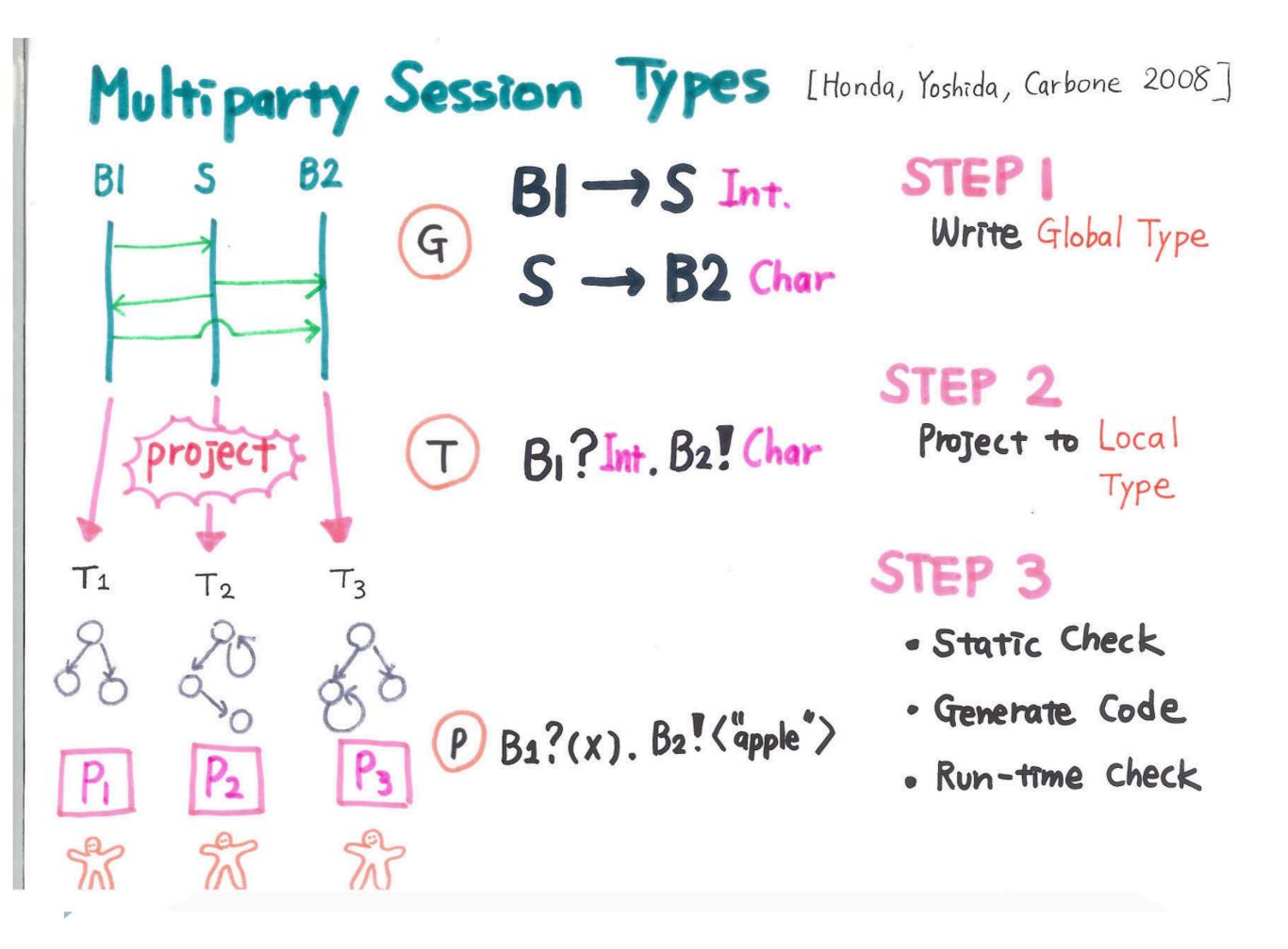


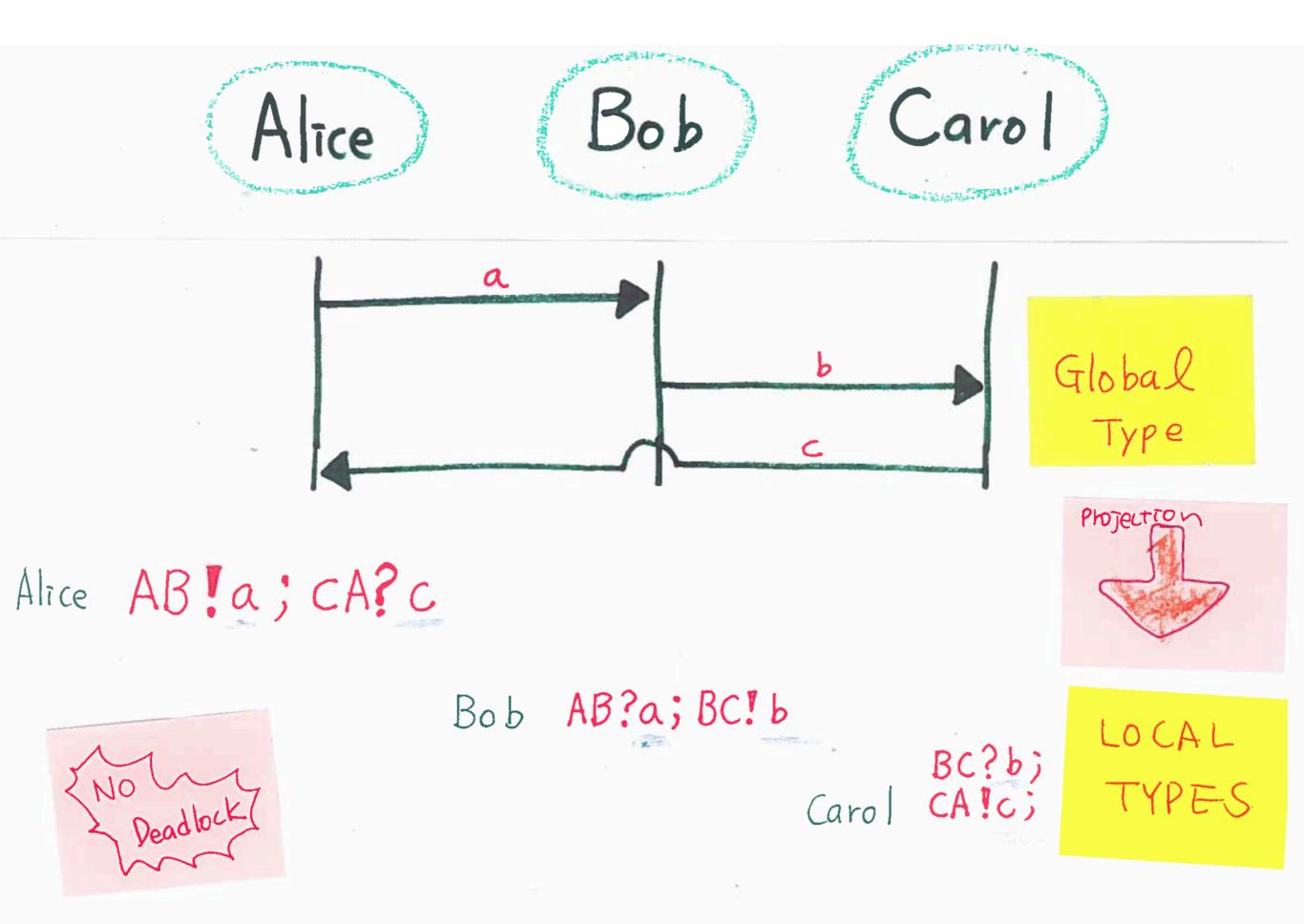








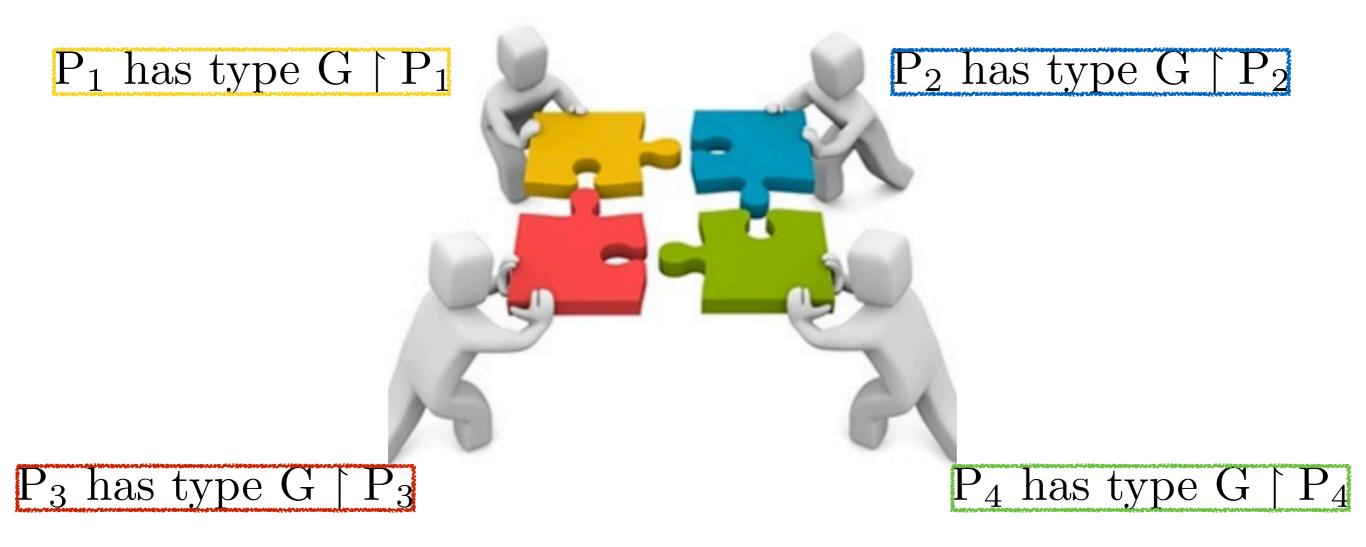




Binary Session Types and Duality



Multiparty Session Types and Projection



$P_1 | P_2 | P_3 | P_4$ is typable

Properties of Session Types

- 1. Communication Error-Freedom No communication mismatch
- 2. Session Fidelity

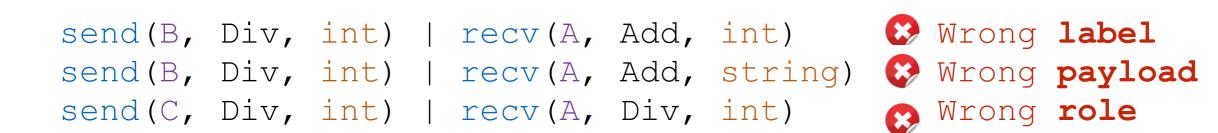
The communication sequence in a session follows the scenario declared in the types.

Progress
 No deadlock/ Stuck in a session

"well-typed channels are free from communication errors"

Errors (by example)

Communication mismatch



В

Orphan messages

A B send(B) | send(A)

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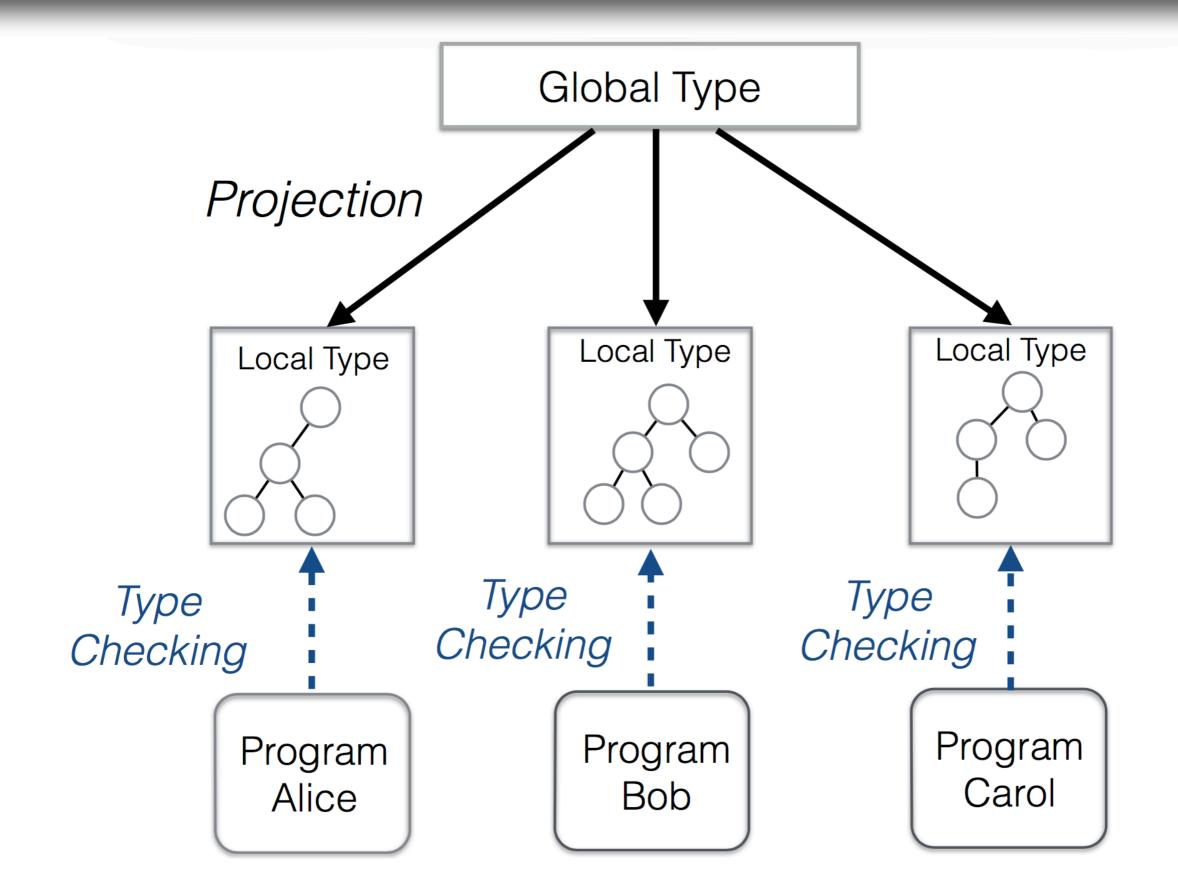
Deadlock

A B C

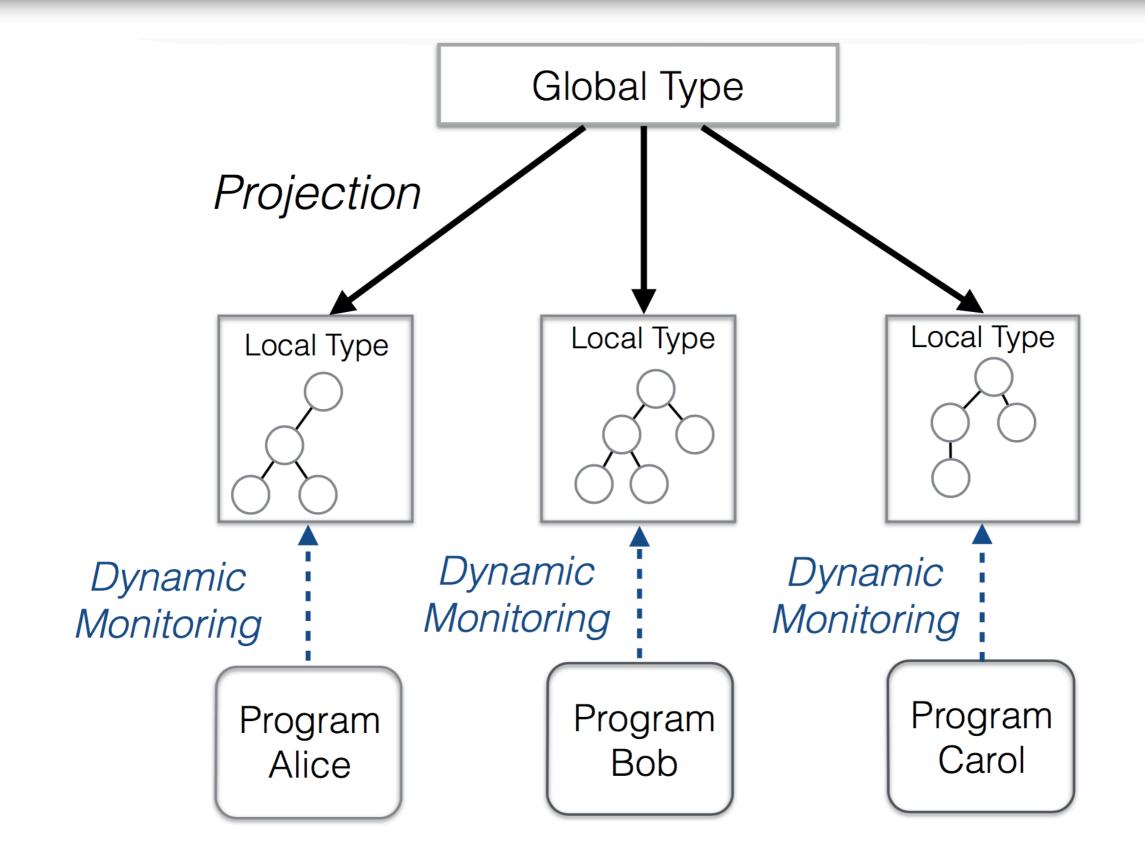
recv(B) | recv(A)
recv(C) | recv(C) | if (n=0) then send(A) else send(B)

Session Types Applications

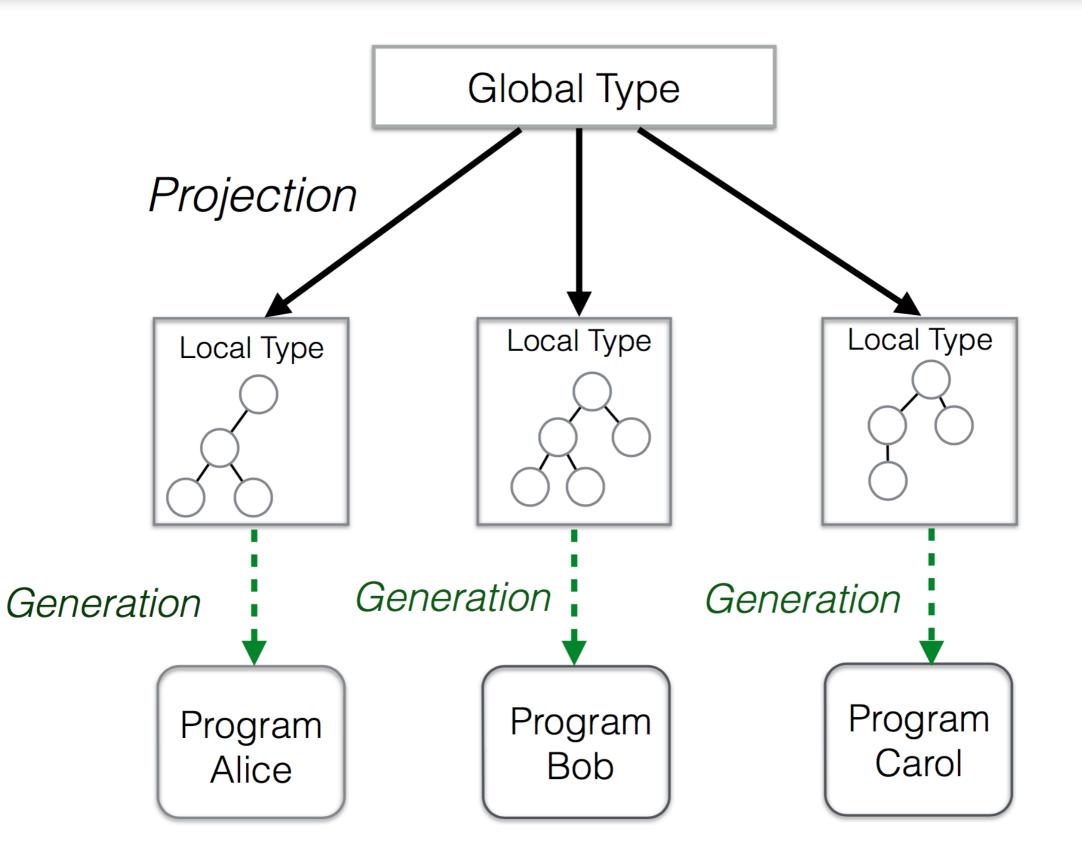
Type Checking [OOPSLA'15, ECOOP'16, ECOOP'17, COORDINATION'17]



Dynamic Monitoring [RV'13, COORDINATION'14, FMSD'15, LMCS'17, CC'17]

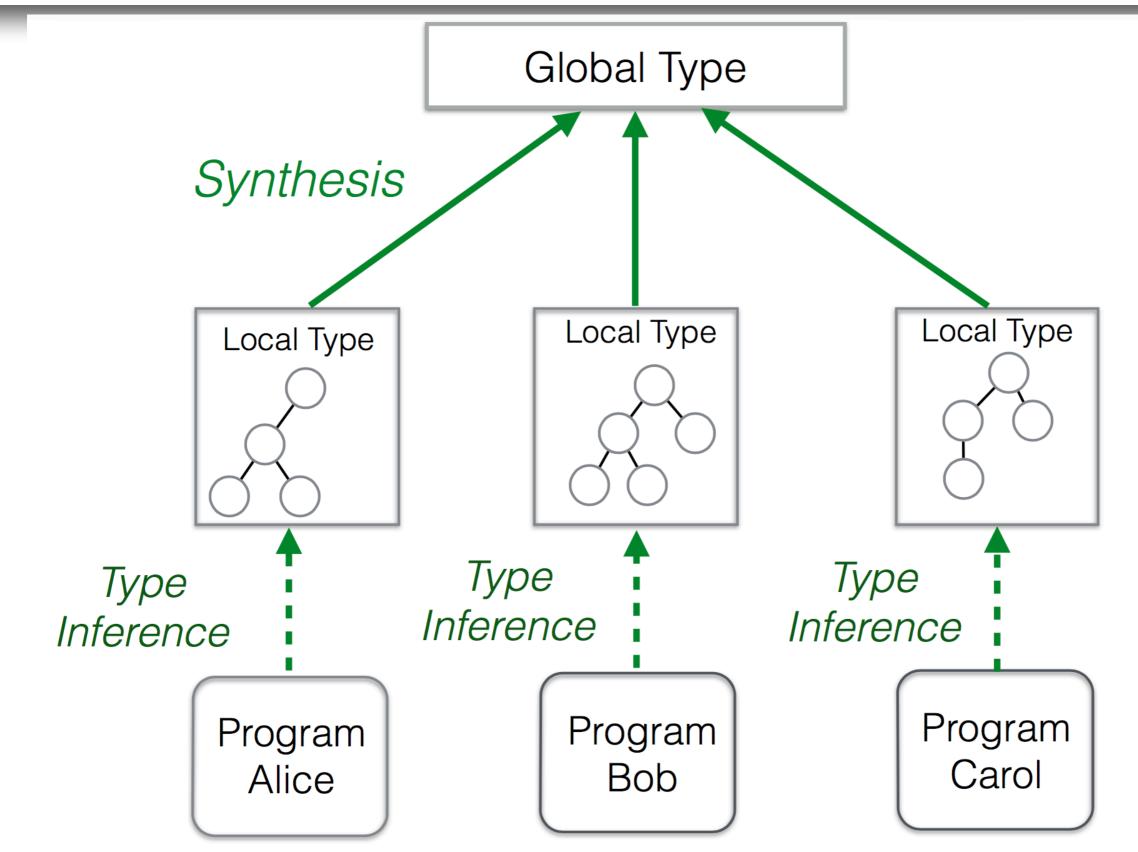


Code Generation [CC'15, FASE'16, CC'18]



Synthesis

[POPL'15, CONCUR'15, TACAS'16, CC'16, POPL'18, ICSE'18]



Scribble

- Applications
 - Deadlock Detection (Go)
 - Recovery strategies(Erlang)
 - Type-driven programming (Java, Scala, F#)
 - Static Verification (C, OCaml, Rust)
 - Runtime monitoring (Python)



Applications

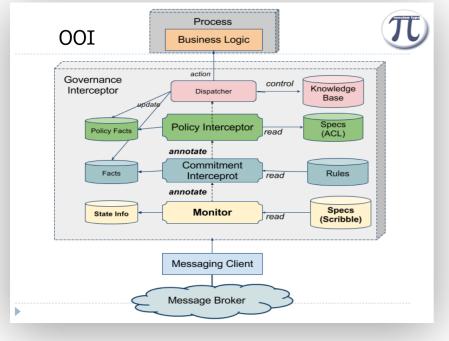




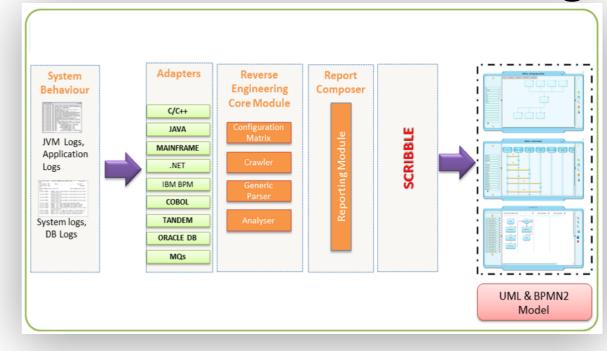


Session Type Based Tools

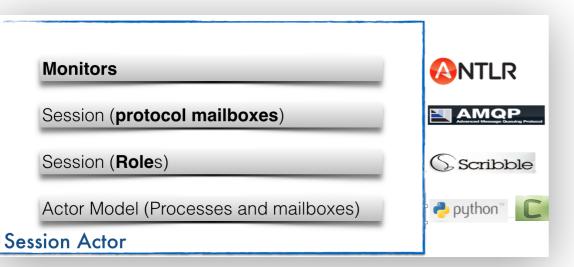
OOI Governance



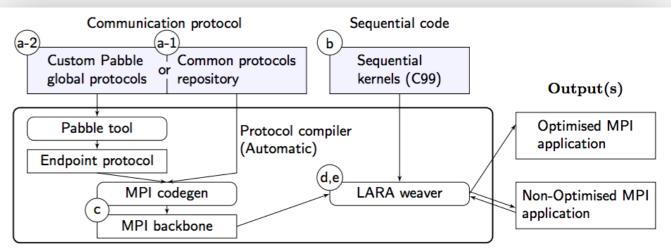
ZDLC: Process Modeling



Actor Verification

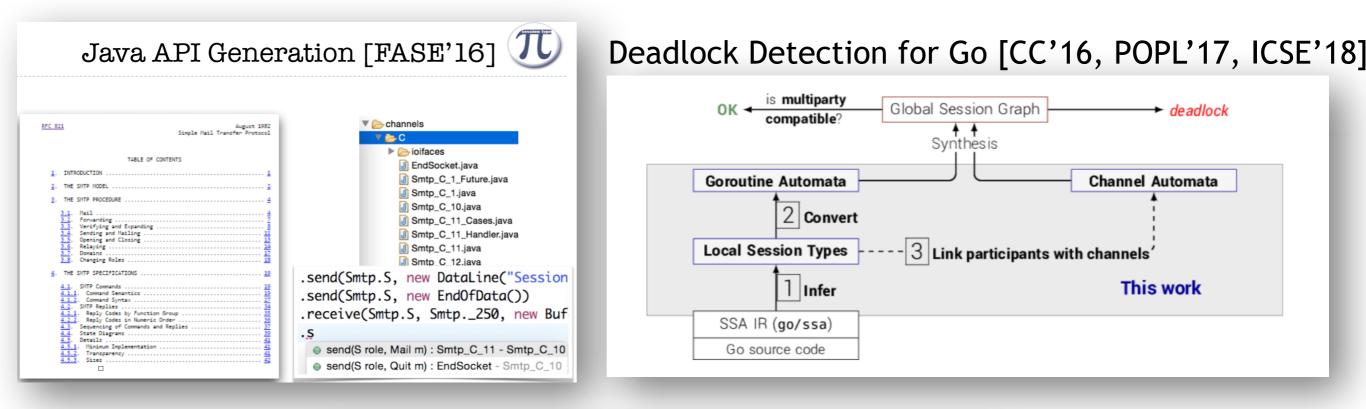


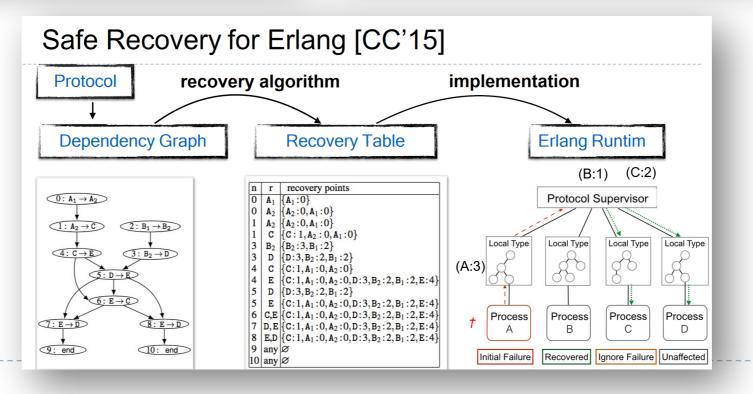
MPI code generations



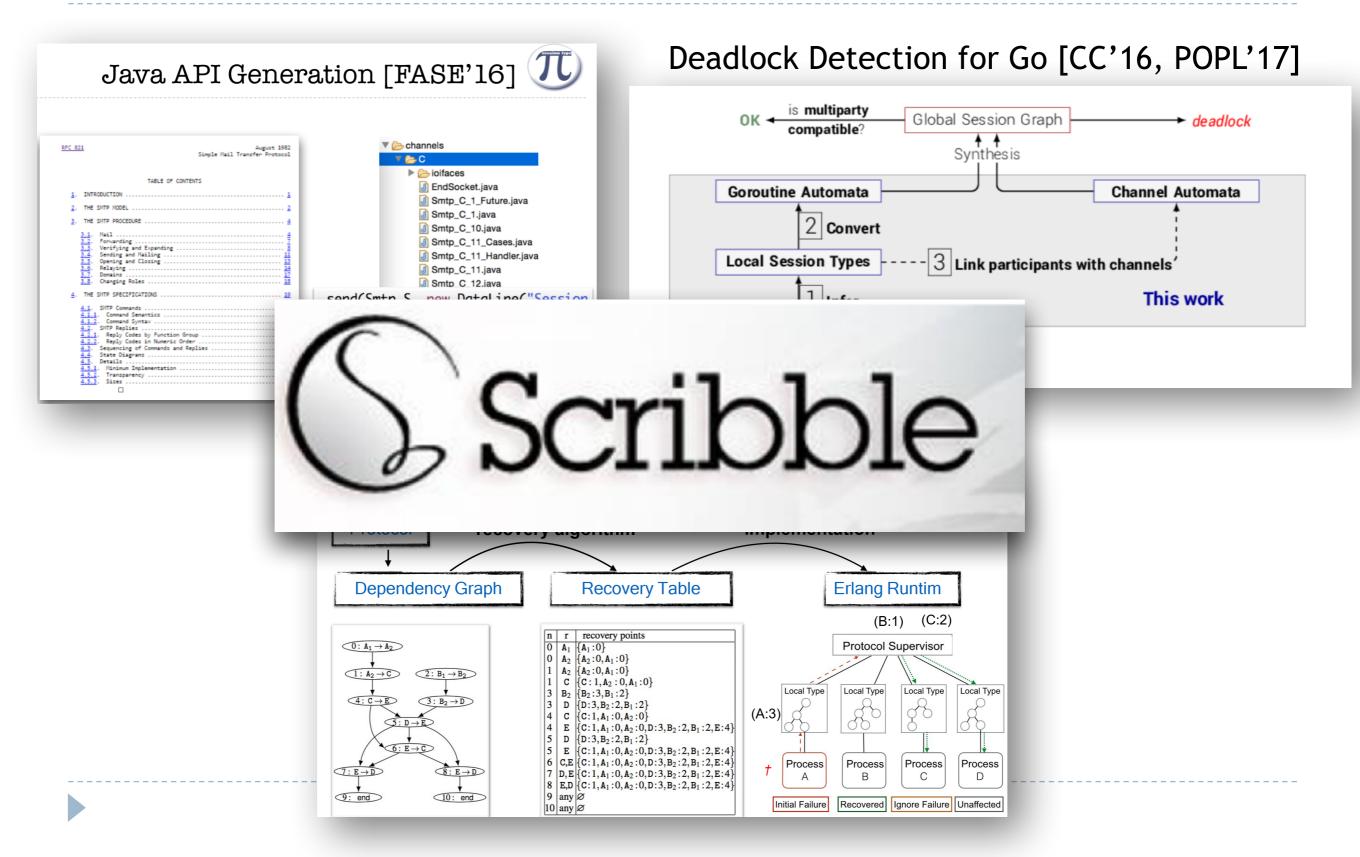
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Scribble Protocol

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Basic example:

protocol HelloWorld { role You, World; Hello from You to World;

www.scribble.org



Protocol Language

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Documents

> Protocol Language Guide

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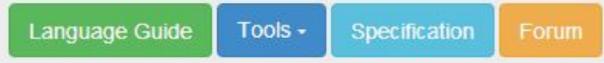
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However, having a description of a protocol has further benefits. It enables verification to ensure that the protocol can be implemented without resulting in unintended consequences, such as deadlocks.

Find out more ...



An example



A very simply example, but this illustrates the basic syntax for a hello world interaction, where a party performing the role Me sends a message of type *Greetings* to another party performing the role 'World', who subsequently makes a decision which determines which path of the choice will be followed, resulting in a *GoodMorning* or *GoodAfternoon* message being exchanged.



Scribble is a language for describing multiparty protocols

Verify 1

Scribble has a theoretical foundation, based on the Pi Calculus and Session Types, to ensure that protocols Project

Endpoint projection is the term used for identifying the

Implement

Various options exist, including (a) using the endpoint projection for a role to generate a skeleton code, (b)

Monitor Q

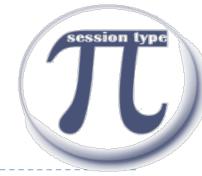
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Use the endpoint projection for roles defined within a

Let's try some protocols: http://scribble.doc.ic.ac.uk/

```
module examples;
  1
  2
     global protocol HelloWorld(role Me, role World) {
  3 -
        hello() from Me to World;
  4
  5 -
        choice at World {
          goodMorning1() from World to Me;
  6
        } or {
  7 -
          goodMorning1() from World to Me;
  8
        }
  9
 10
      }
 11
              Check Protocol: examples.HelloWorld
                                              Role: Me
           \odot
Load a sample
                                                                      Project
                                                                              Generate Graph
```

Example



protocol def recursion send-receive choice

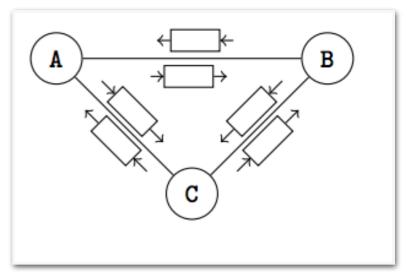
global protocol Q&A(role me, role you){
rec loop {
 ask(string) from you to me;
 choice at me
 { response (string) from me to you;
 continue loop; }
 or { enough() from me to you; }}



Protocol Validation

Good/Bad MPST by example

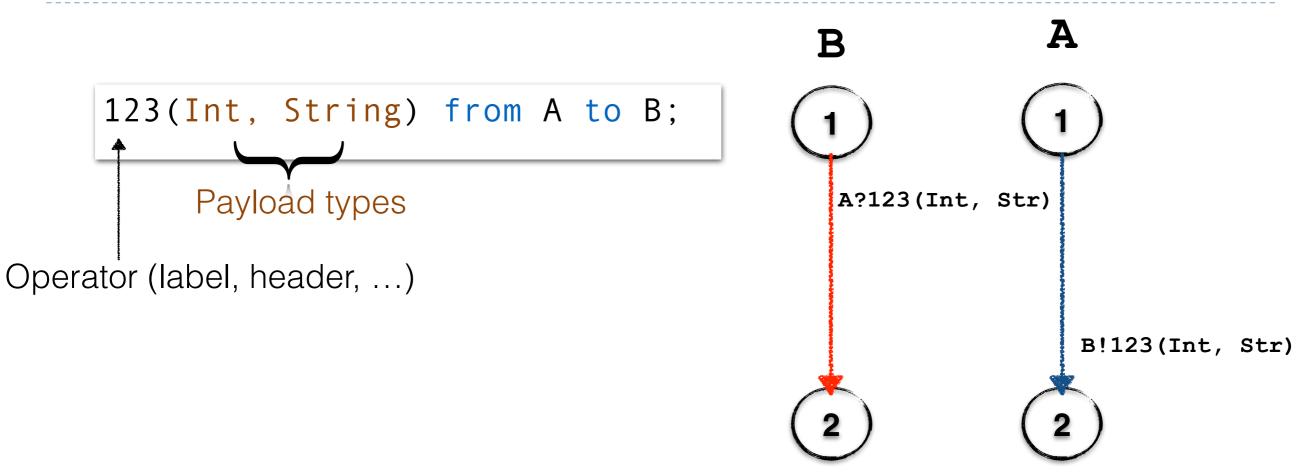
- Communication model:
 - asynchronous, reliable, role-to-role ordering
 - MPST applies to transports that fit this model
 - TCP, HTTP, ..., AMQP, ...shared memory
- MPST protocols should be fully specified
 - no implicit messages needed to conduct a session





- Core Scribble constructs
- What can go wrong ?
- MPST safety and liveness errors (informally)
- How are they ruled out (syntactically)

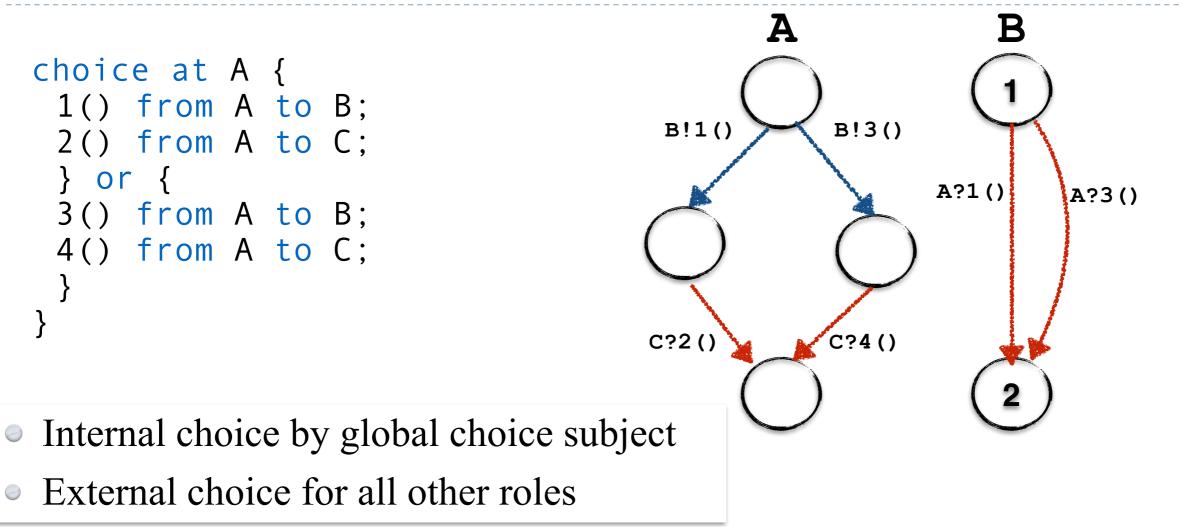
Scribble constructs: Role-to-role Message passing



Empty operator and/or payload is allowed



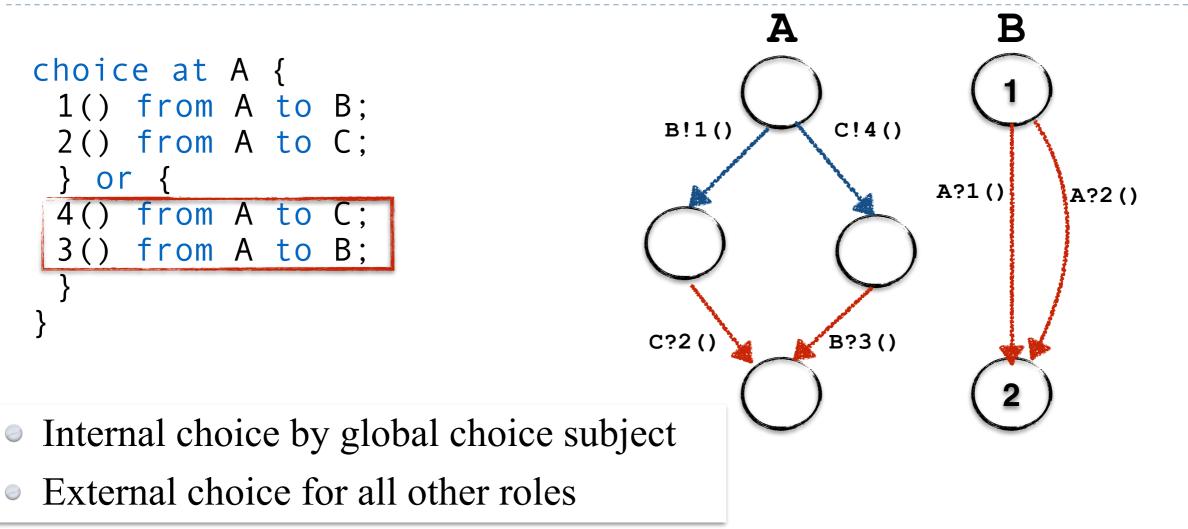
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```
choice at A {
   buyer1(int) from A to B; // Total to pay
   (int) from B to A;// B will pay that much
   buyer1(int) from A to C; // C pays the remainder
} or {
   buyer2(x:int, y:int) from A to C; // Total to pay
   (Int) from C to A; // C pays that much
   buyer2(x:int, y:int) from A to B;// B pays the remainder
}
```

More flexible than directed choice

 $\mathbf{p} \to \mathbf{q} : \{\mathbf{l}_{\mathbf{i}} : G_i\}_{i \in I}$ Branching

Branching via different payloads not allowed

choice at A {1() from A to B;} or {1(int) from A to B;}



Exercise: "Located" choice

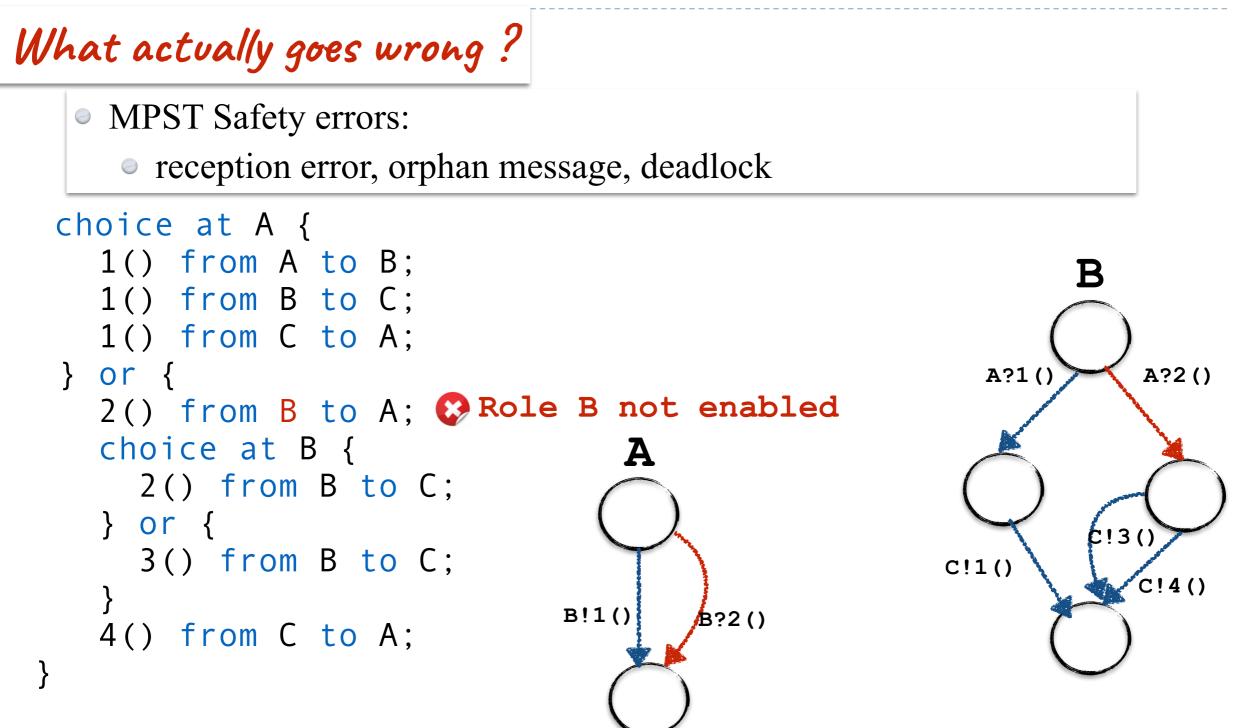
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```
choice at A {
    1() from A to B;
    1() from B to C;
    1() from C to A;
} or {
    2() from B to A; Role B not enabled
    choice at B {
        2() from B to C;
    } or {
        3() from B to C;
    }
    4() from C to A;
}
What actually goes wrong ?
```

- MPST Safety errors:
 - reception error, orphan message, deadlock

Exercise: "Located" choice



Is this protocol OK? 1/4

```
choice at A {
    1() from A to B;
    3() from B to C; 
    4() from C to A;
} or {
    2() from A to B;
    3() from B to C; 
    5() from C to A;
}
```

Errors explained ?

- Ambitious choice for C
 - Should C send a 4 or 5 to A?
 - potential reception errors (4, 5) if interpreted non-deterministically
- Non-deterministic choice at C inconsistent with the choice by A
 - Not mergeable in syntactic projections
 - has to merge continuations (undefined for distinct outputs)

Is this protocol OK? 1/4

```
choice at A {
   1() from A to B;
   3() from B to C;
   4() from C to A;
   or {
    2() from A to B;
   3() from A to C;
   5() from A to C;
}
```

How to fix t?

Is this protocol OK? 1/4

```
choice at A {
    1() from A to B;
    3a() from B to C;
    4() from C to A;
} or {
    2() from A to B;
    3b() from A to C;
    5() from A to C;
}
```

Distinguish label 3!

Is this protocol OK? 2/4



```
choice at A {
   1() from A to B;
   3() from B to C;
   do Merge(A, C);
} or {
   2() from A to B;
   3() from B to C;
   do Merge(A, C);
}
global protocol Merge(role A, role C){
   4() from A to C;
}
```

Duplicate cases inherently mergeable, e.g [POPL'11]

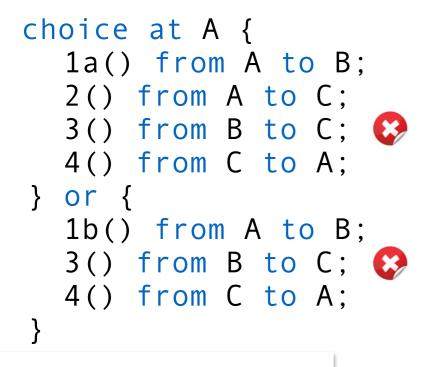
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Is this protocol OK? 3/4



Errors explained ?

- "Race condition" on choice on C due to asynchrony
 - What should C do after receiving a 3?
 - Potential orphan message (2) if interpreted as multi-queue FIFO
- Inconsistent external choice subject
 - (trivially non-mergeable in standard MPST)
 - A role must be enabled by the same role in choice paths

Is this protocol OK? 4/4

```
choice at A {
    1() from A to B;
    2() from A to C;
} or {
    3() from A to B;
}
```

Errors explained ?

- Unrealisable choice at C
 - No implicit message can be assumed, e.g end of session
 - How can C determine if a message is coming?
 - Potential deadlock (C waiting for A), or potential orphan (2), depending on the interpretation
- Empty action option to terminal state
 - can't merge end type with anything else

Quiz: Mergeability

```
choice at A {
    1() from A to B;
    2() from C to B;
} or {
    3() from A to D;
    4() from D to B;
}
```

```
choice at A {
    1() from A to C;
    2() from C to D;
} or {
    3() from A to B;
    2() from C to D;
}
```



choice at A { 1() from A to B; 2() from C to D; } or { 3() from A to B; 4() from C to D; }

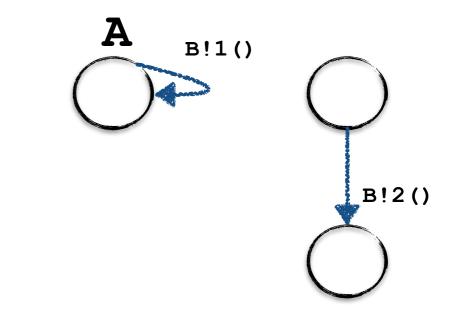
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    4() from B to C;
}
```



Scribble construct: Recursion

Tail recursion with recursive scopes

```
rec X {
   1() from A to B;
   continue X;
}
2() from A to B; ② Dead code
```



Condition

- Reachability of protocol states (no "dead code")
 - Checked via projection (reachability w.r.t per-role protocol flow)
- Regular interaction structure at endpoints (CFSM)

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2() from C to D;
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B!1()

D!2()

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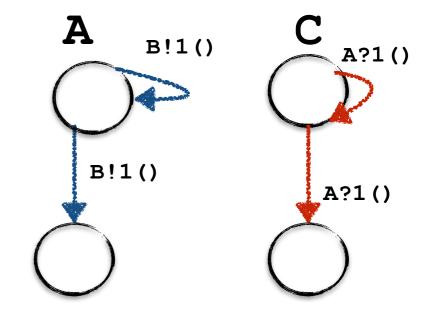
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rec X {
    choice at A {
        1() from A to B;
        continue X;
    } or {
        1() from A to B;
    }
}
```



Potential *deadlocks* or *orphans*

Is this protocol ok? 3/4

```
choice at A {
    rec X {
        1() from A to B;
        1() from B to C;
        continue X;
    }
    or {
        2() from A to B;
        2() from B to C;
}
```

• Safety errors? (reception errors, orphan messages, deadlock)

• Consider the FSM at A?

Is this protocol ok? 3/4

```
choice at A {
    rec X {
        1() from A to B;
        //1() from B to C;
        continue X;
    }
} or {
    2() from A to B;
    2() from B to C;
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```

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- hint: Consider the FSM at A?
- How about now?

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• Liveness errors?

Role progress

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        continue X;
    }
} or {
        2() from A to B;
} 2() from C to B; 🚱
```

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Role progress

• Message liveness (Eventual reception)

Is this protocol ok? 4/4

```
rec X {
    choice at A {
        1() from A to B;
        continue X;
    } or {
        2() from A to B;
        2() from B to C;
    }
}
```

- But is this a good protocol
 - depends ... fairness of output choices

Homework

```
rec X {
    choice at A {
        1() from A to B;
        2() from B to C;
        3() from C to B;
    }
    or {
        4() from A to C;
        5() from C to B;
}
continue X;}
```

Why does Scribble not allow this protocol?

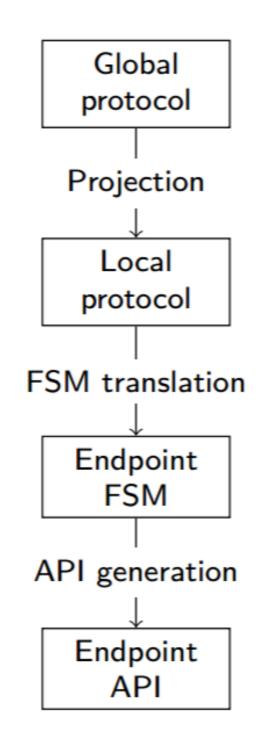
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Program Verification

or.... How to program SMTP in 5 min

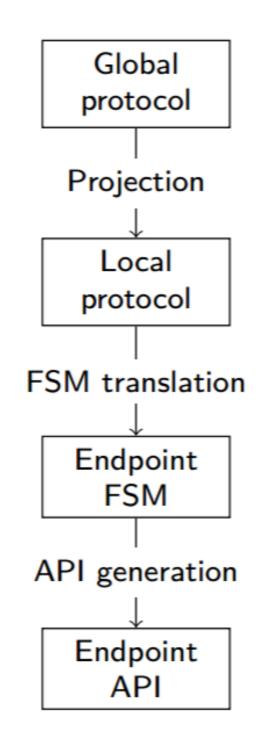
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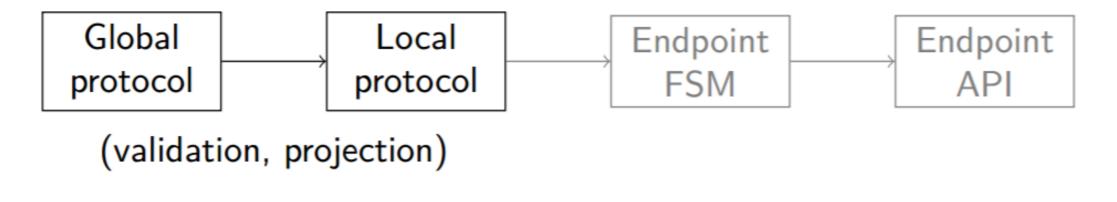


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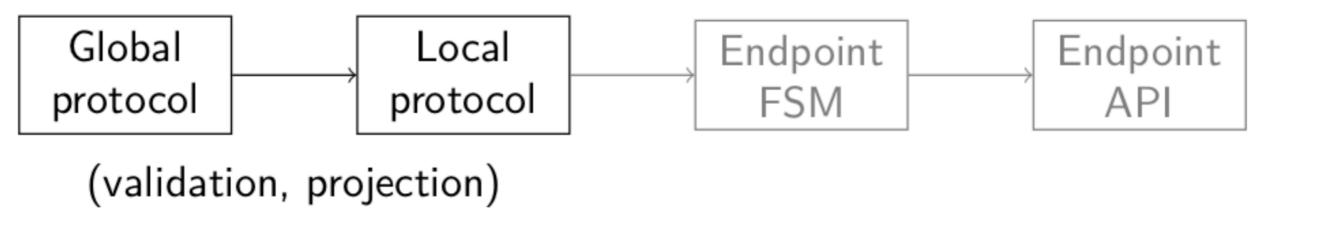
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Example: Adder

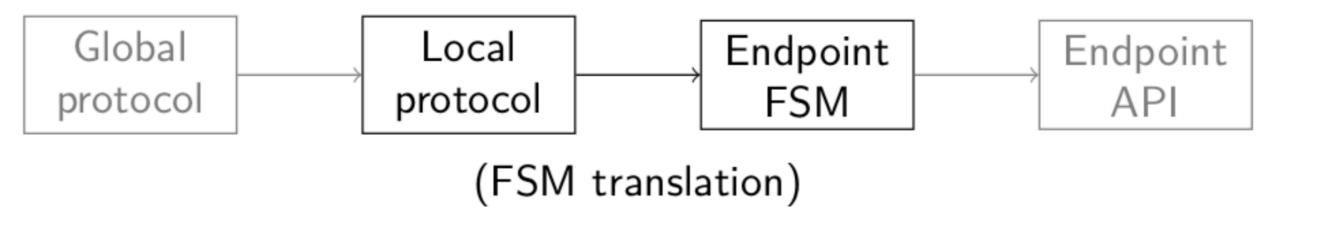


```
global protocol Adder(role C, role S) {
   choice at C {
      Add(Integer, Integer) from C to S;
      Res(Integer) from S to C;
      do Adder(C, S);
   } or {
      Bye() from C to S;
      Bye() from S to C;
   }
}
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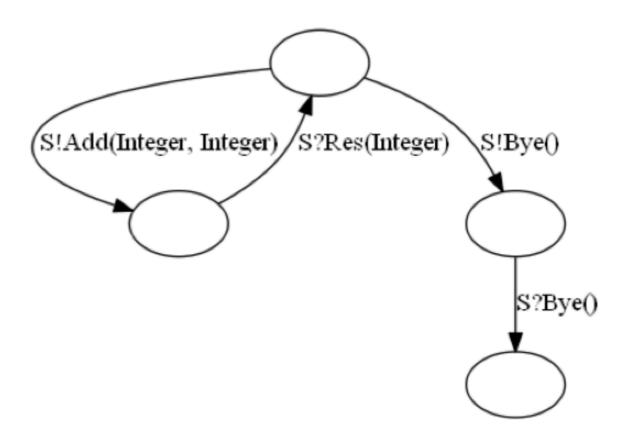


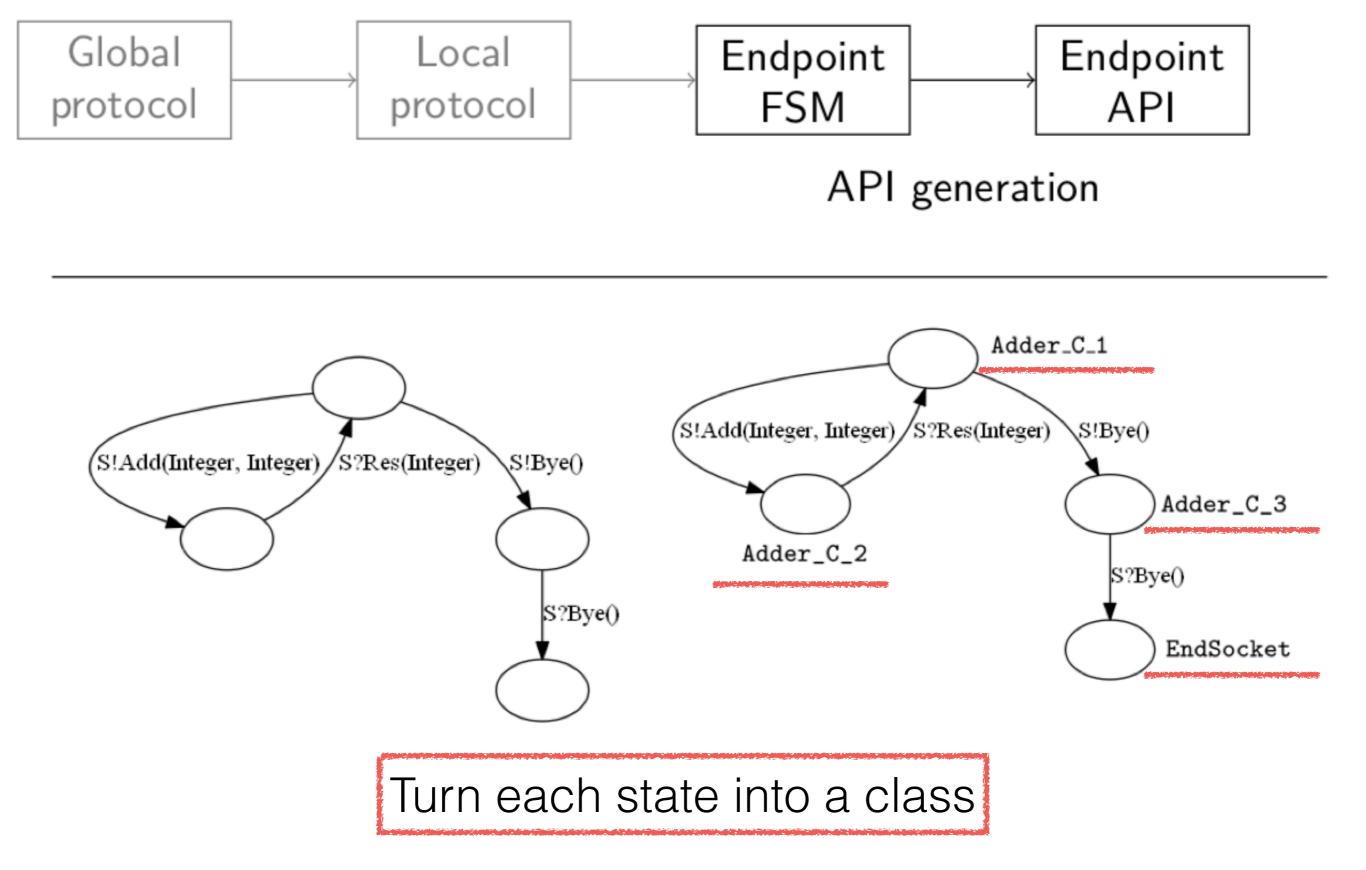
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  }
}
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local protocol Adder_C(role C, role S) {
    choice at C {
        Add(Integer, Integer) to S;
        Res(Integer) from S;
        do Adder(C, S);
    } or {
        Bye() to S;
        Bye() from S;
    }
}
```

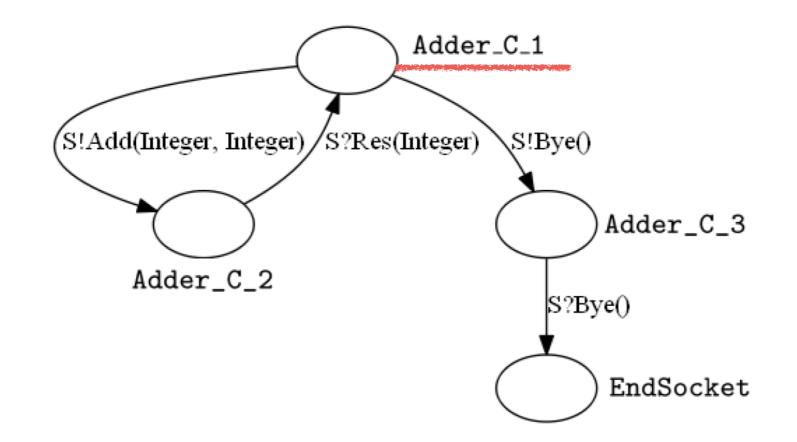


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local protocol Adder_C(role C, role S) {
    choice at C {
        Add(Integer, Integer) to S;
        Res(Integer) from S;
        do Adder(C, S);
    } or {
        Bye() to S;
        Bye() from S;
    }}
```



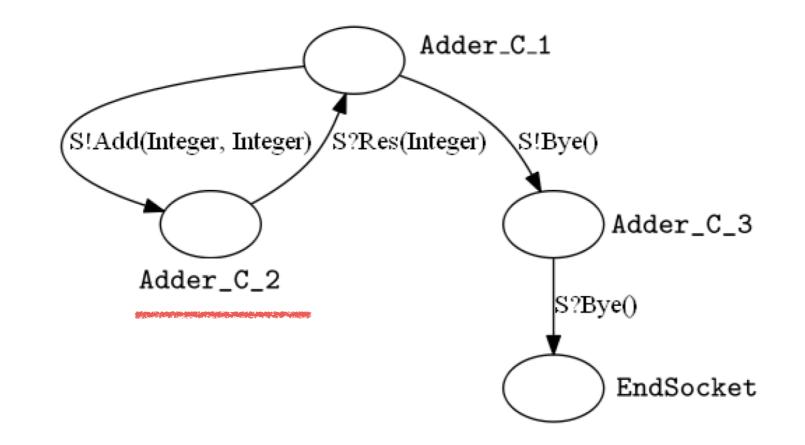


Generated State/Channel Classes offer exactly the valid operation



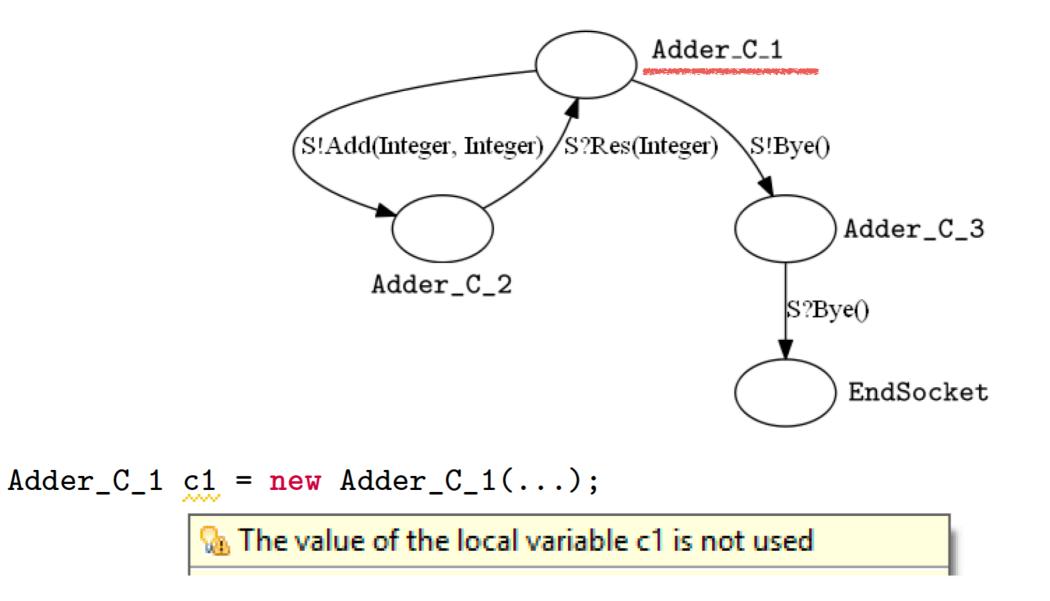
 $Adder_C_1$

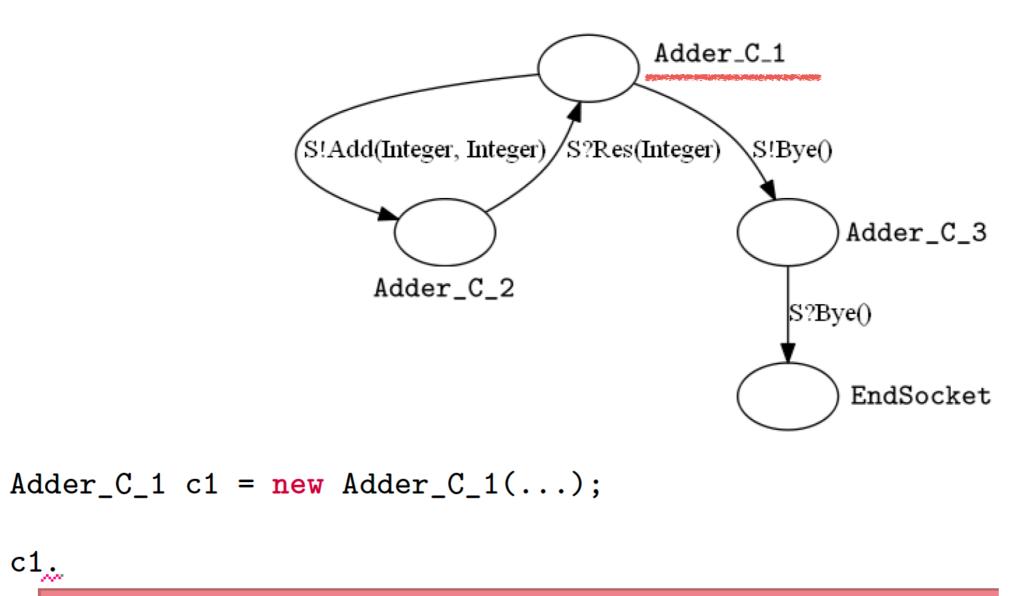
Adder_C_2 send(S role, Add op, Integer arg0, Integer arg1) +
Adder_C_3 send(S role, Bye op) throws ...



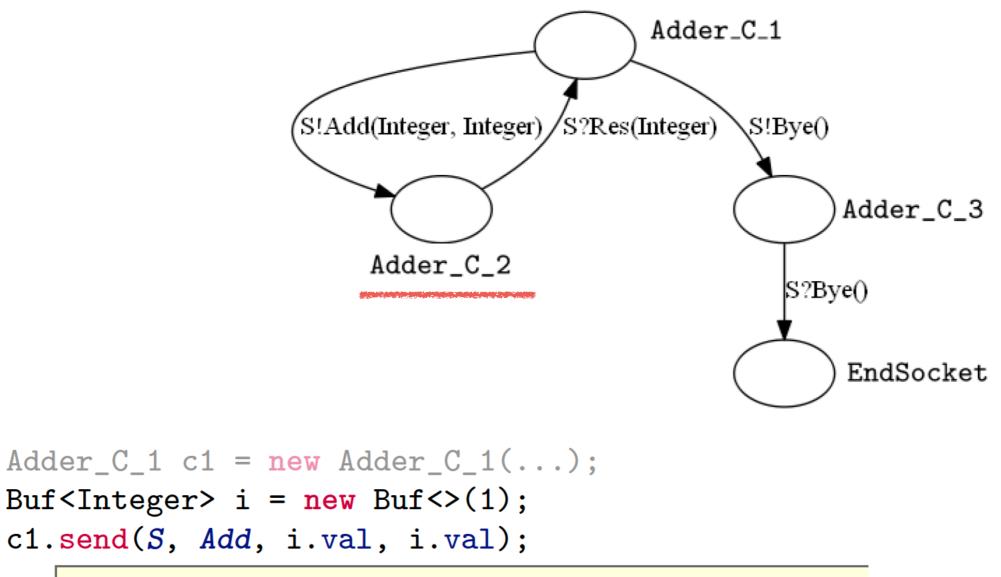
 $Adder_C_2$

Adder_C_1 receive(S role, Res op, Buf<? super Integer> arg1)

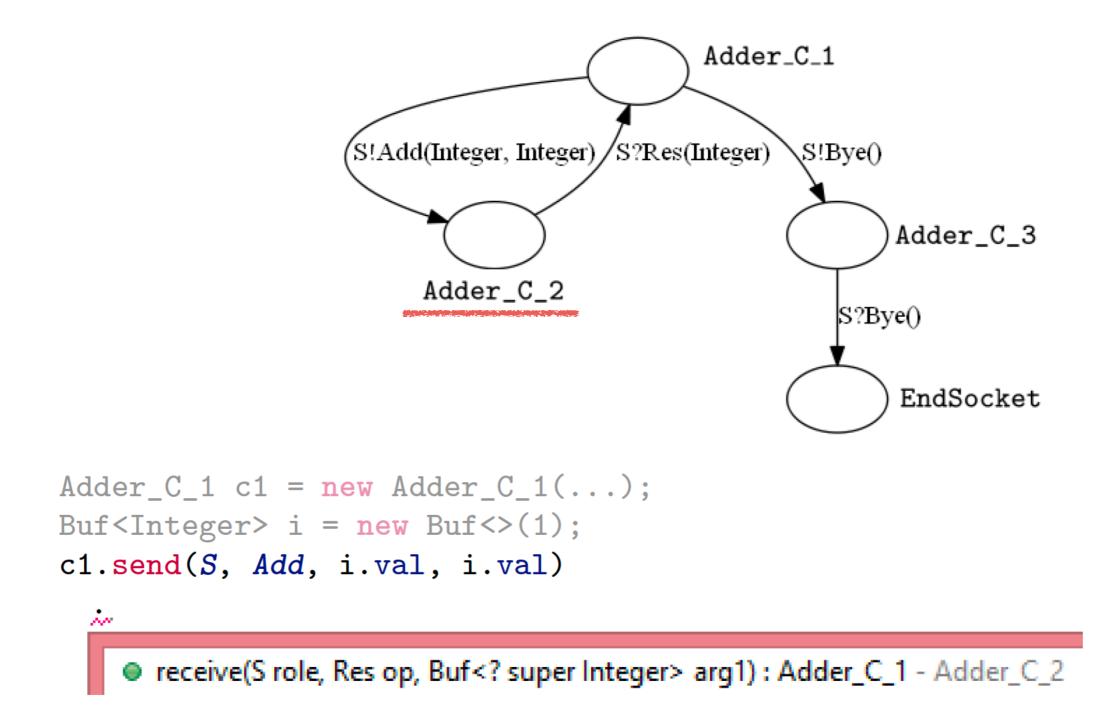


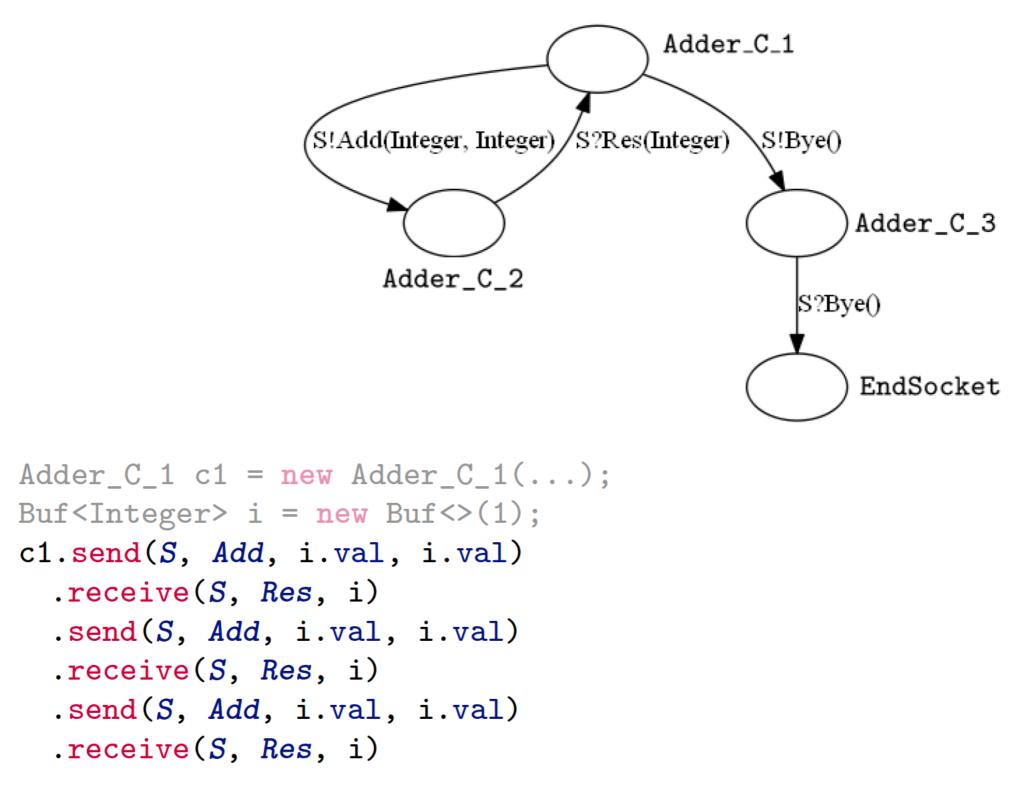


send(S role, Bye op) : Adder_C_3 - Adder_C_1
 send(S role, Add op, Integer arg0, Integer arg1) : Adder_C_2 - Adder_C_1



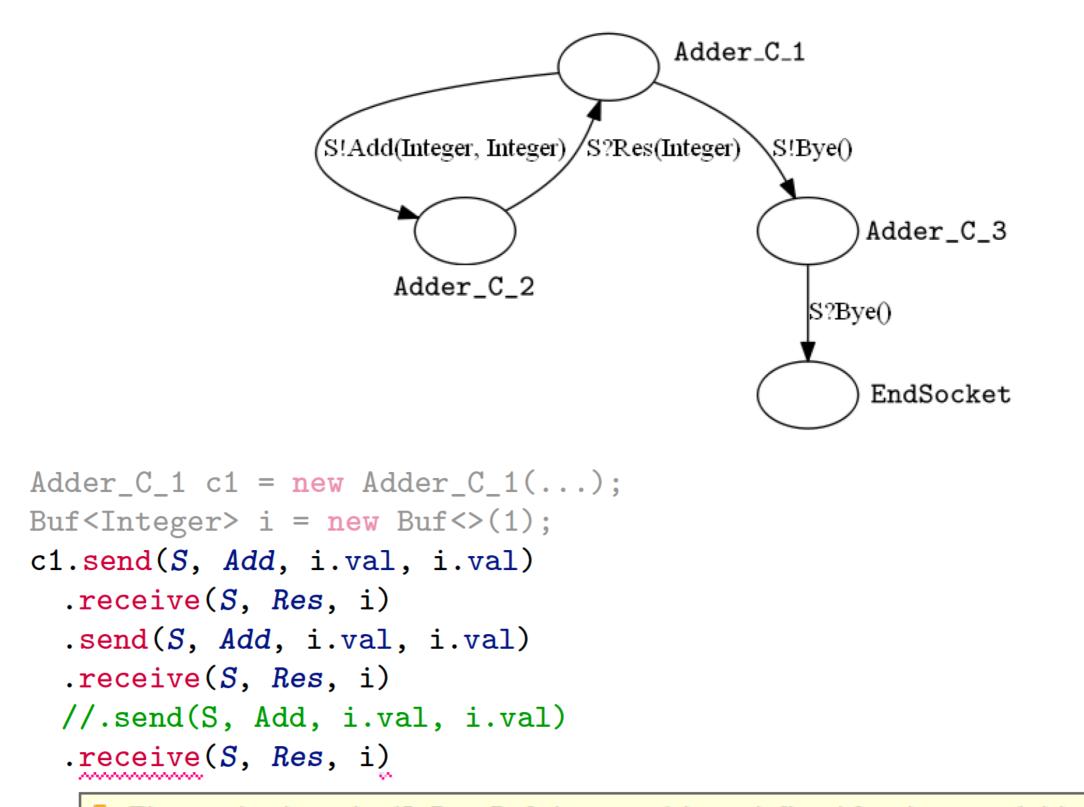
Adder_C_2 Adder_C_1.send(S role, Add op, Integer arg0, Integer arg1) throws ScribbleRuntimeException, IOException





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send(S role, Bye op) : Adder_C_3 - Adder_C_1
 send(S role, Add op, Integer arg0, Integer arg1) : Adder_C_2 - Adder_C_1



The method receive(S, Res, Buf<Integer>) is undefined for the type Adder_C_1

 $Adder_C_1$ S!Add(Integer, Integer)/S?Res(Integer) S!Bye() Adder_C_3 $Adder_C_2$ S?Bye() EndSocket Adder_C_1 c1 = new Adder_C_1(...); Buf<Integer> i = new Buf<>(1); while (i.val < N)</pre> c1 = c1.send(S, Add, i.val, i.val).receive(S, Res, i); c1.send(S, Bye).receive(S, Bye);

