The OO jDREW Engine of Rule Responder: Naf Hornlog RuleML Query Answering Presentation Benjamin Craig

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Outline

Overview Agents Personal Organizational External Rule Engines Prova OO jDREW Communication Middleware Mule ESB Reaction RuleML messages Demo Use Cases

Overview of Rule Responder

- Rule Responder is an intelligent multi-agent system for collaborative teams and virtual communities
- Supports rule-based collaboration between the different members of a virtual organization
- Members of a virtual registration are represented as semi-automated rule-based agents which use rules to describe the behavioral and decision logic
- Uses RuleML subset as its Rule Markup Language, based on logic and XML
 - The member of the RuleML family employed here is Naf Hornlog
- Implemented as a Web-based service architecture

Personal Agents

A personal agent acts on behalf of a single person of an organization
 The personal agent contains a FOAF* profile with FOAF-extended rules

*The Friend of a Friend (FOAF) project: http://www.foaf-project.org

Organizational Agents

 Organizational agents are used to represent goals and strategies shared by each person in the collaborative team
 Organizational agents contain rule sets that describe their organizations' policies, regulations, opportunities, etc.

External Agents

External agents communicate with the virtual organization, exchanging messages that transport queries, answers, or complete rule sets via the public interface of the organizational agents

HTTP interface to Rule Responder

- Support for multiple unique External Agents (end users) at a single time
- Users can use a web browser to communicate with Rule Responder (currently a test interface)

Rule Engines

 Prova (Prolog + Java)

 Developed by Adrian Paschke (Germany) and Alex Kozlenkov (United Kingdom)

 OO jDREW (Object Oriented Java Deductive Reasoning Engine for the Web)

 Developed by Bruce Spencer, Marcel Ball, Benjamin Craig (Canada)

Prova

Prova is used to implement the organizational agents of Rule Responder
Prova is also used for some personal agents

OO jDREW

OO jDREW is used for personal agents in Rule Responder Two modes of Rule Execution: Bottom-up (forward reasoning) Top-down (backward reasoning) Rule Responder primarily uses top-down Supports rules in the following formats: POSL (Positional Slotted presentation syntax) RuleML (XML syntax, can be generated from POSL)

Communication Middleware

Mule Enterprise Service Bus (ESB)

- Mule is used to create communication end points at each personal and organizational agent of Rule Responder
- Mule supports various transport protocols (i.e. http, jms, soap)
- Rule Responder uses http and jms as transport protocols

Reaction RuleML

Reaction RuleML is a branch of the RuleML family that supports actions and events
 When two agents need to communicate, each others' Reaction RuleML messages are sent through the ESB

Architecture - Overview

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Use Case

RuleML-2007 Symposium
 One Organizational Agent that acts as the single point of entry to the conference
 Assists with planning, preparing, and running the Symposium
 Personal Agents represent Chairs of the Symposium

Symposium

Online Demo

<u>http://responder.ruleml.org/</u>

 Use Case Demo Link:
 <u>http://ibis.in.tum.de/projects/paw/ruleml-</u> 2007/

Ex. Personal Agent's knowledge base

% Sample rule POSL syntax person(?person,?role, ?title, ?email, ?telephone):contact(?person,?email,?telephone), role(?person,?role), title(?person,?title). % Sample facts that match the previous rule contact(John, john@email.com, 1-555-555-5555). role(John, Panel Chair). title(John, Doctor).

Example Message to the Organizational Agent

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Conclusion

 Rule Responder can be used to implement a wide range of use cases that require an intelligent, semi-automated decision layer
 The middleware of Rule Responder allows deployment of multiple running use cases concurrently