

Organizing Service-Oriented Peer Collaborations

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Talk Overview

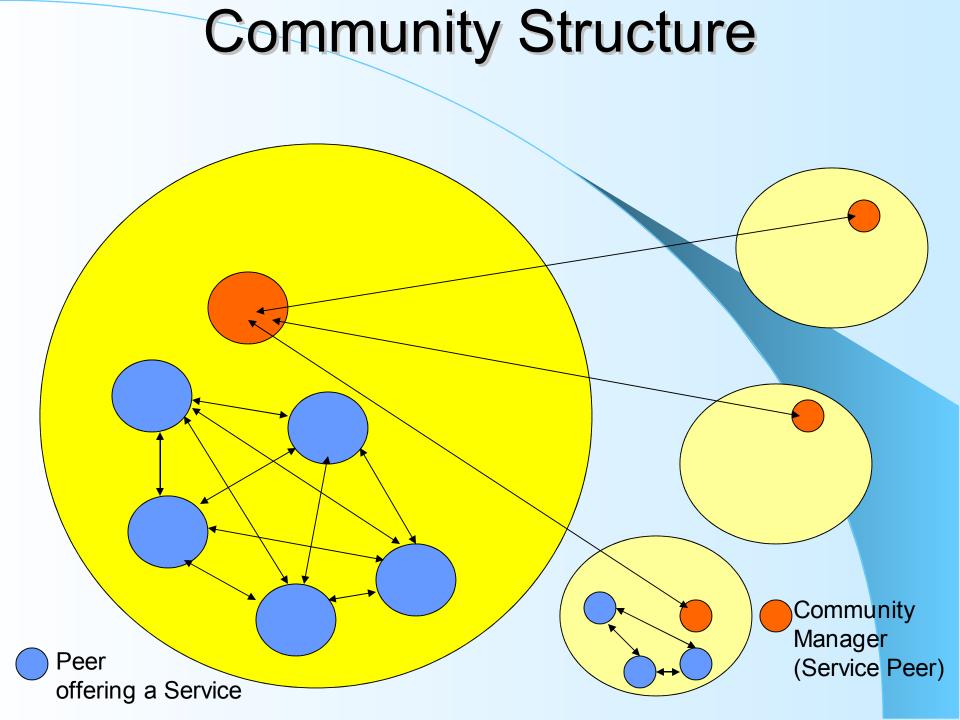
- Introduce the "notion" of communities
- Types of Communities
- Interaction between Community participants
- A JXTA Prototype
- Conclusion
- Questions and Suggestions

Electronic Communities

- Many current distributed technologies provide support for "communities"
 - Scientific Communities (eg: Grid Computing)
 - Example: DZero experiment in Physics (involves 100s of Physicists in 18 countries)
 - Example: Music Sharing Communities (Peer-2-Peer based): KaZaA, JXTA,etc
- Interest specific Communities
 - Example: YahooGroups
 - Example: sourceforge.net (open source community)

Discussion Points

- Why communities are desired?
- How they are formed?
- How communities work and interact?
- What are different possible types of communities and their overall behaviour?
- What are the advantages of community formation?
- How communities are adaptive in nature?



Community Structure

Management Services

- Discovery and Membership
- Peer Rating
- Community Rating
- Information Sharing
- Dearning and Adaptivity
- A Peer may belong to multiple Communities
- Hierarchical Communities
 - A Community may have sub-communities

What are Communities

• Peers expertise or interest in each other's expertise form communities.

- Expertise: Core services
 - Service(s) being offered by a Peer
- Interests: Utility services
 - Service(s) needed by a Peer to allow Core Services to run

Community Formation

- Service Peer ("Community Manager")
 - Is necessary for a community to exist, and provides management services
 - may also offer specialist services
 - A new peer first tries to discover the Service Peer which may have interest in its capabilities/services
 - Manages all peers within its community
- Service Peer and all peers registered with it constitute a community.
- Communities interact with each other via their Service Peers

Type of Communities

- Competing Community
- Co-Operative Community
- Goal Oriented Community
- Ad Hoc Community
- Domain-Oriented Community

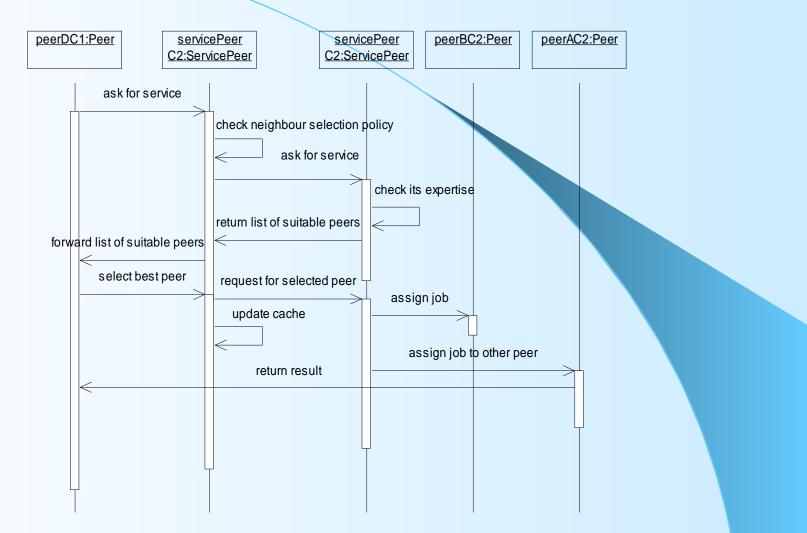
Competing Community

- Each Peer has the same expertise
- Peers may have different service attributes
- Member Peers compete each other to perform a job
- Competition is mainly for service attributes which are not shared by Peers
- Competition results in improved quality of services within the community
- Competing Community may have two types of Service Peers

Service-Oriented Peer Non Service-Oriented Peer

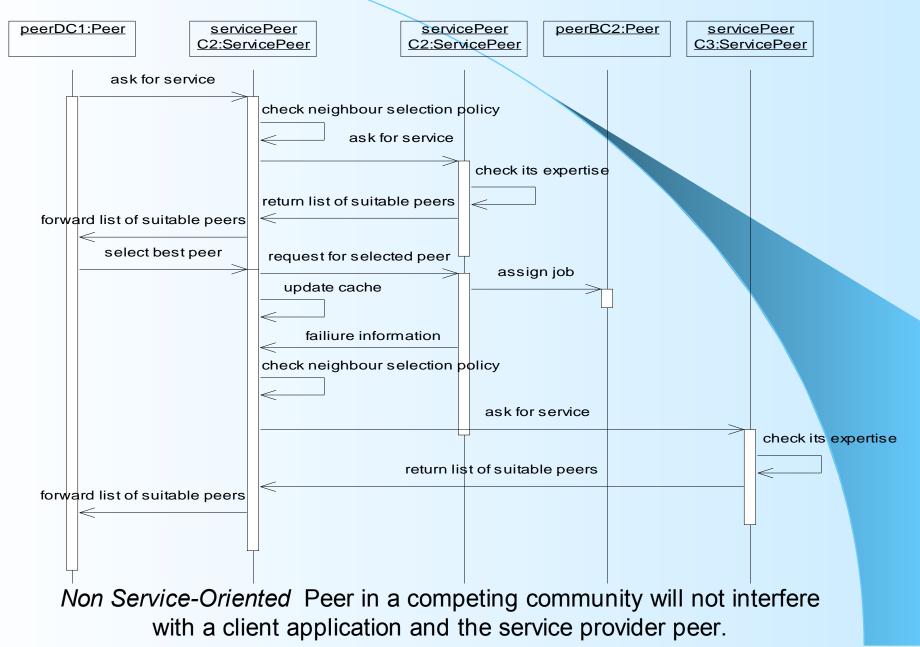
- Less resource consumption in discovery for new resources.
- Service Peer maintains a neighbour selection policy

Service-Oriented Peer



Service-Oriented Peer manages all member peers for completion of any single request/service

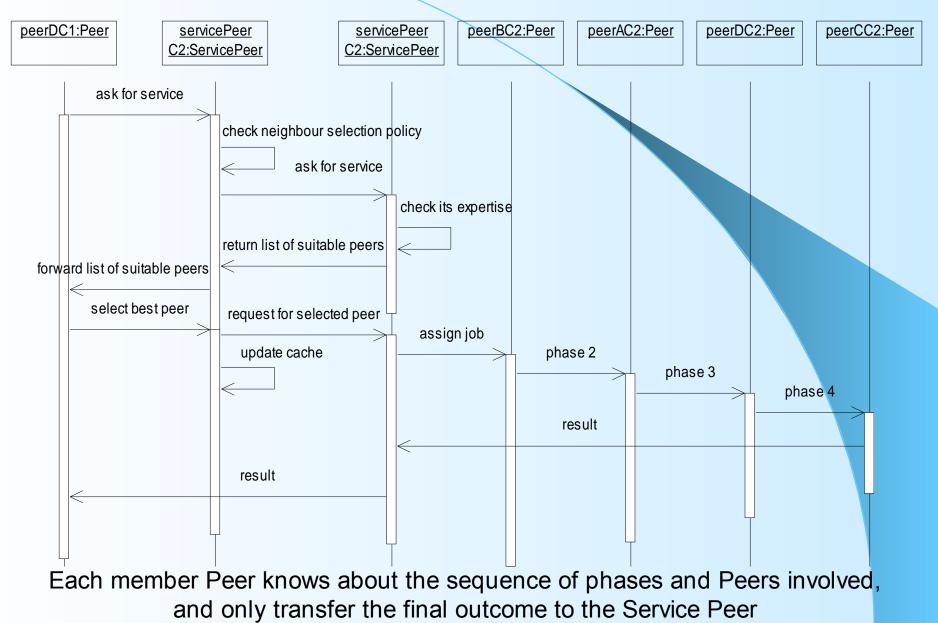
Non Service-Oriented Peer



Co-Operative Community

- All peers provide different services
- Peers have different expertise
- Peers have interests in the expertise of other member Peers.
- Each Peer is providing a limited set of services
- Each Peer is dependent on at least one other member peer
- Each Peer directly or indirectly support the service of other member Peers
- Efficient discovery and less interaction with different communities.
- Effectiveness of communities is dependent on the co-ordination of individual peers.
- Competing Community may have two types of Service Peers Service-Oriented Peer Non Service-Oriented Peer

Service-Oriented Peer



Goal Oriented Community

- Collection of Peers to achieve a particular goal
- Service Peer accomplishes a user-defined goal related to its expertise
- Service Peer locates appropriate Peers and invites them for limited membership
- Membership is terminated on task completion
- This community is a strict type of Co-Operative Communities
- Goal-oriented communities are important in self-organizing systems
- Member Peers interact with each other in arbitrary ways to achieve a given end result

Ad Hoc Community

- Peers in different communities regardless of the nature of those communities, work together as a team
- Peers interact directly with each other without interference and involvement of a Service Peer
- Peers belonging to different communities providing two different but supporting services form the basis of an ad hoc community
- Concerned Communities must have agreed to use each other's service
- Service Peer has very limited role and member peers are more independent.

Domain-Oriented Community

- Linking together similar-minded organizations and institutions i.e. academic communities, research communities, and open-source communities.
- Community is not based on the services provided by member Peers
- Community is domain-oriented rather than service-oriented.
- Domain-Oriented Community is quite diverse in nature
- Peers in these communities may not have interest in each other
- Community can be restricted to a particular geographical location
- Enable common mechanisms to view common problems
- Members solve the same type of problems in common ways using different types of services.

JXTA Demo

Illustrating a toolkit for supporting The formation of electronic communities

Conclusion

- "Community" is a useful metaphor for distributed, dynamic collaborations
- Identify types of communities
- Participants (Peers) in a community offer one or more services
 - Management services
 - Application-specific services
- Explore how services within communities interact

Questions & Suggestions