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Définition d'une stratégie de Test d'un protocole à méta-objets

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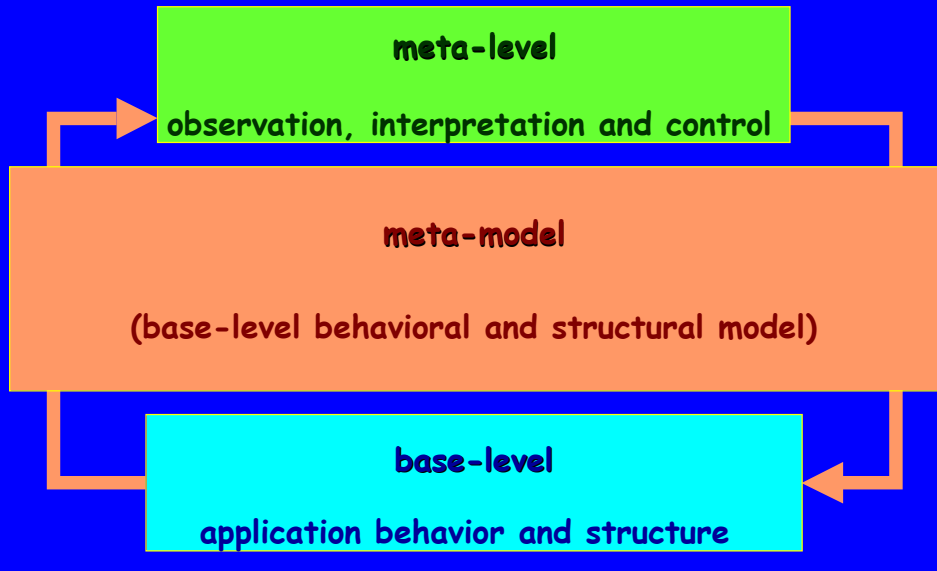
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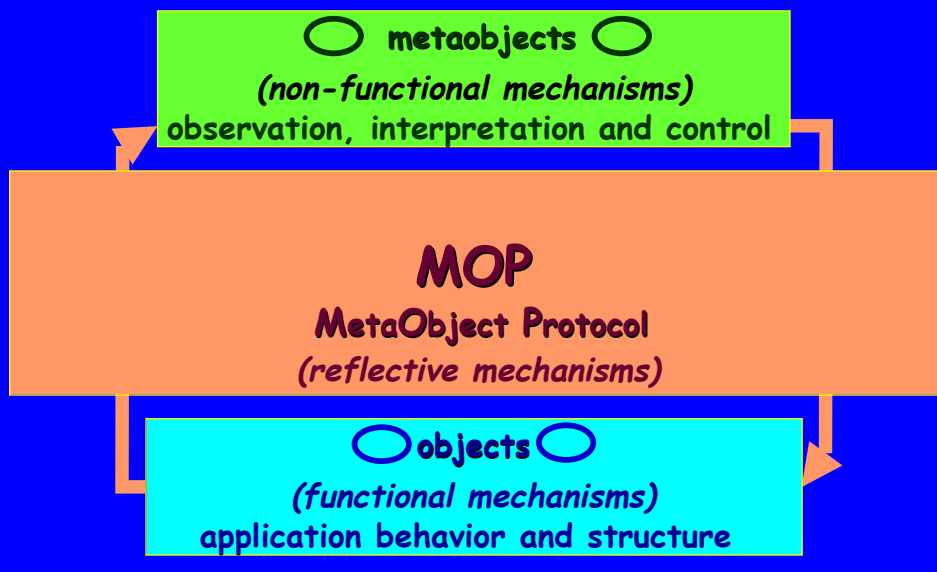
Outline

- Reflective architectures and MOPs
- A strategy for testing MOPs
- Case study: the FRIENDS MOP
- Test Experiments
- Conclusions and Perspectives

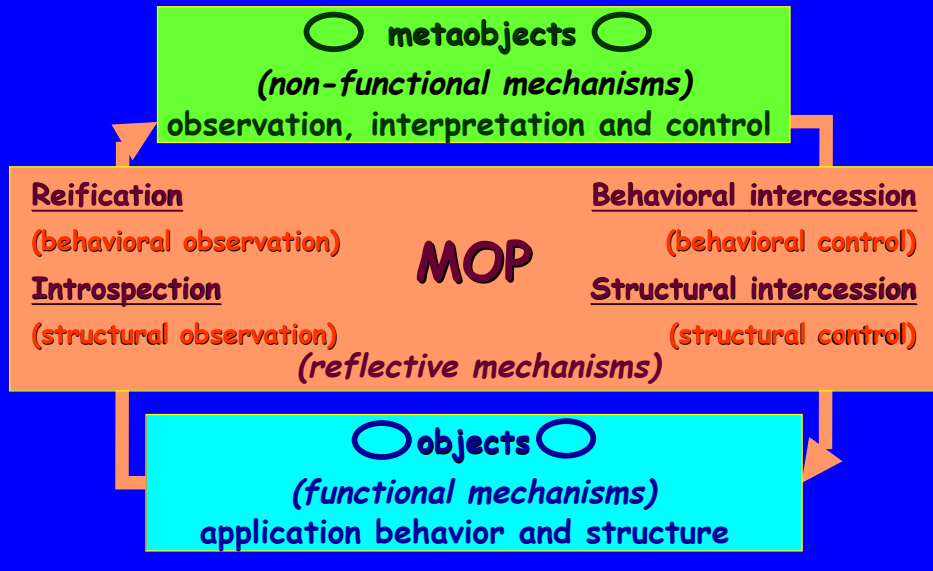
Reflective Architectures



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Strategy for testing MOPs

(Major issues covered by the strategy)

1. Test order definition
2. Test objectives for each testing level
3. Conformance checks for each testing level
4. Test environments

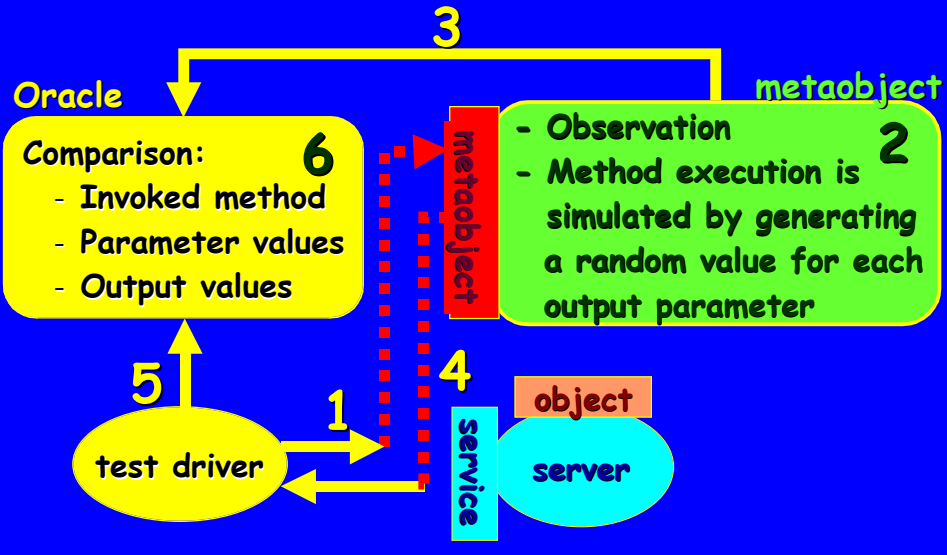
Incremental Test Order

- **TL0. Testing preceding the MOP activation**
- **TL1. Reification mechanisms**
- **TL2. Behavioral intercession mechanisms**
- **TL3. Introspection mechanisms**
- **TL4. Structural intercession mechanisms**

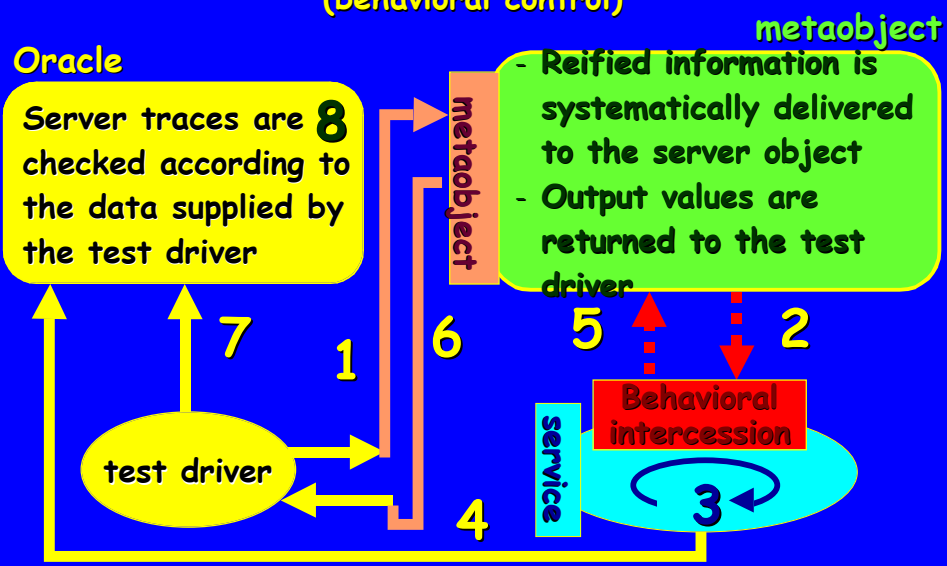
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TL1: Reification (behavioral observation)

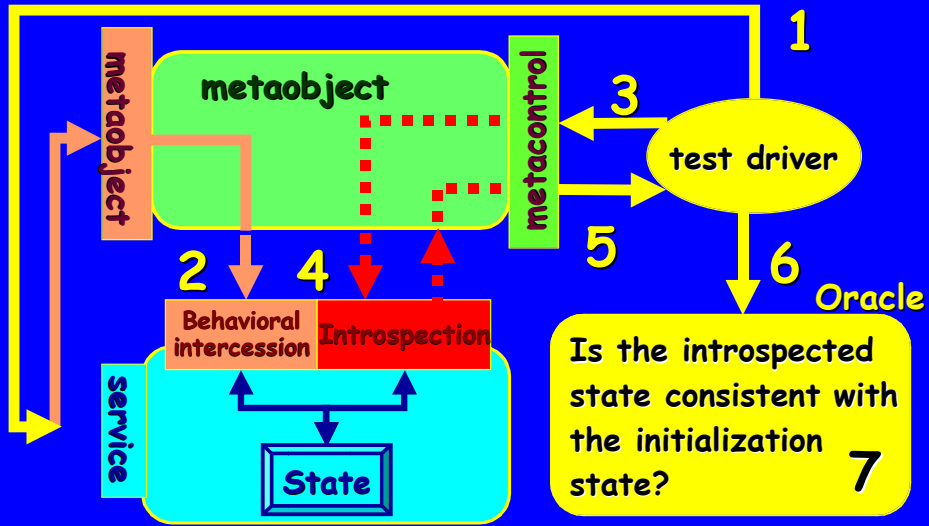


TL2: Behavioral intercession (behavioral control)



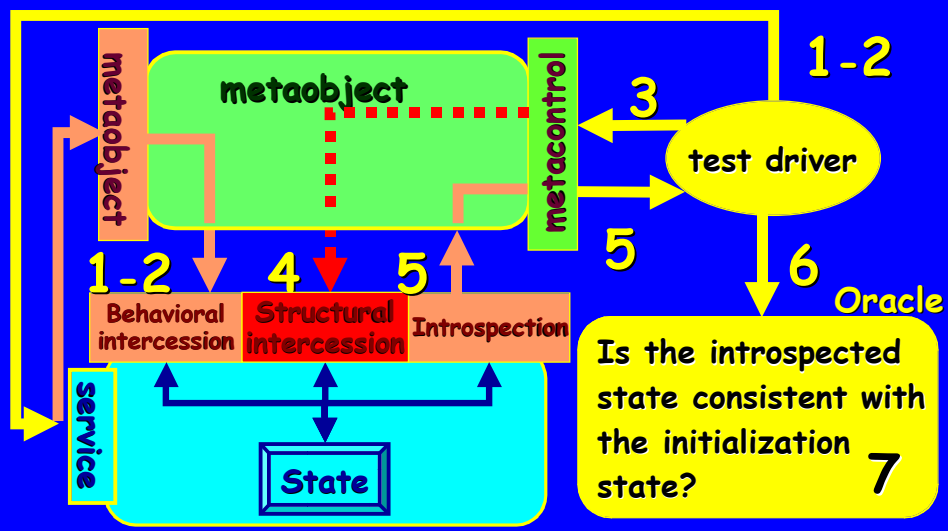
TL3: Introspection

(structural observation)



TL4: Structural intercession

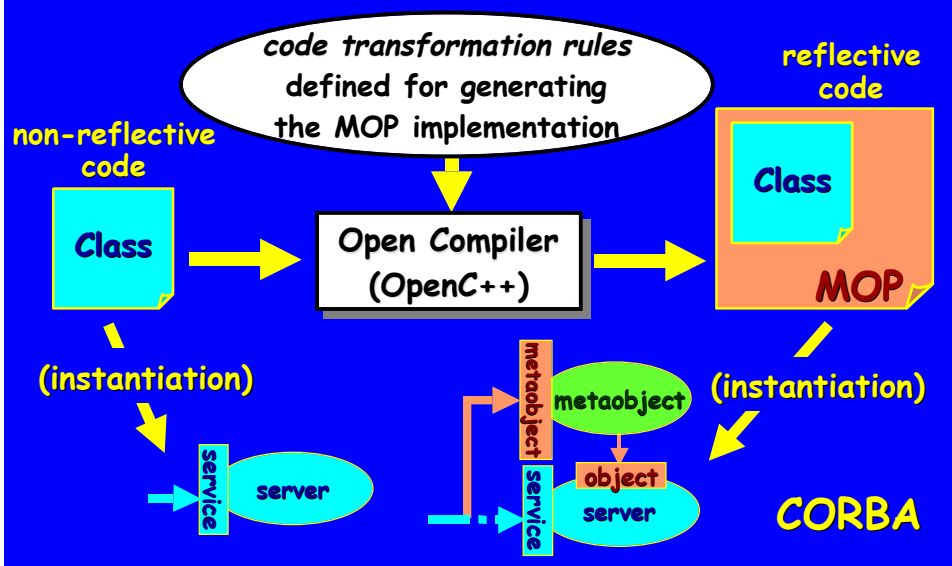
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The FRIENDS MOP

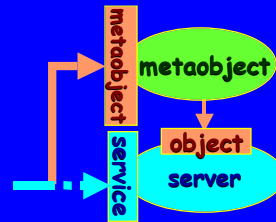


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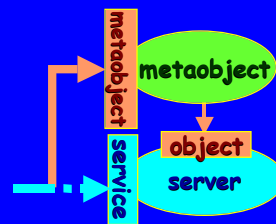


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Built-in types,
Strings,
Class types,
Structures and Arrays

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Test Experiments (II)

(object-oriented properties considered)

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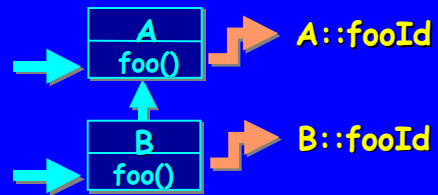
- **Encapsulation (methods and attributes):**

public / protected / private

Experimental results

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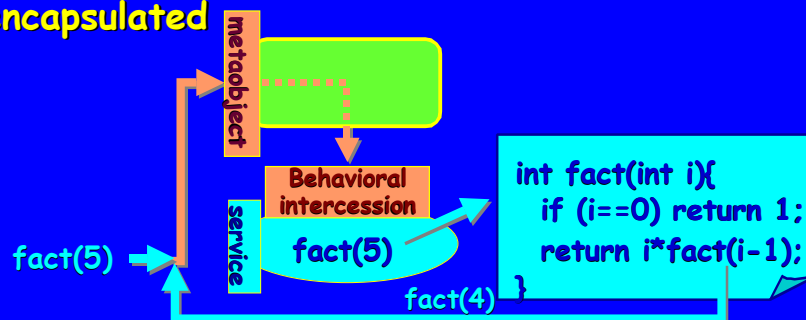
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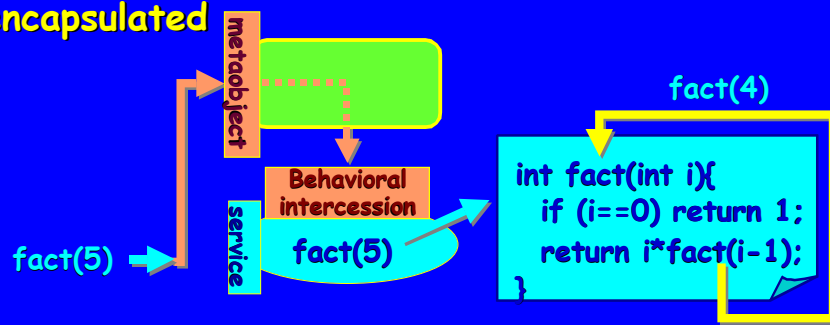
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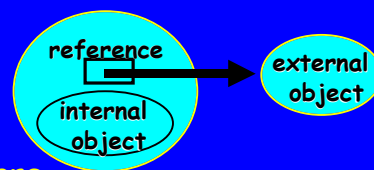
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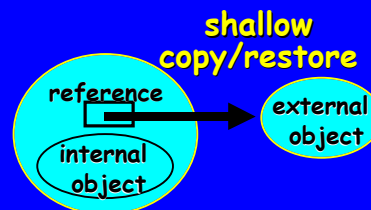
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Conclusion

- Step forward in the definition of a global test strategy for reflective systems
- General and incremental strategy enabling the reuse of those mechanisms already tested for testing the remaining ones.
- Case Study: feasibility and effectiveness of the proposed approach

Ongoing work

- Definition of rigorous test criteria for to guide the automatic generation of test case input values