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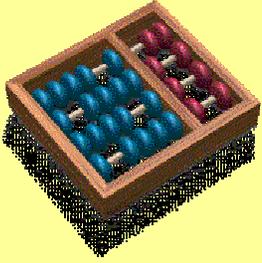
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Architecture-based Strategy for Interface Fault Injection

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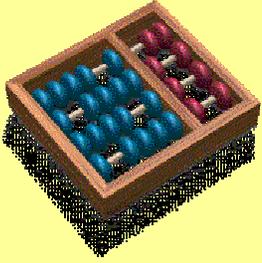
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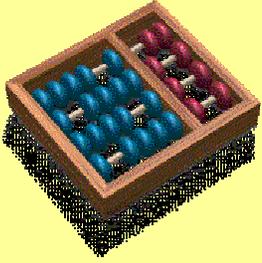
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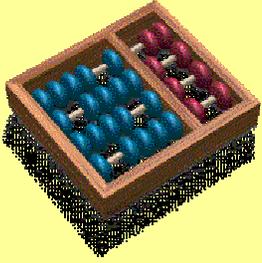
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Motivation

- Systems as a combination of several components
- Helps to attend the increasing pressures to reduce time and money
- A good solution for system's architecture increases the system's quality



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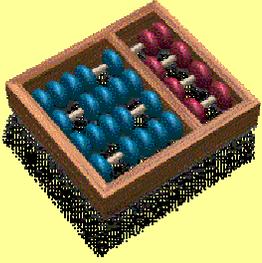
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Motivation

- Each component's implementation needs to behave in accordance with its specification
- Malfunctioning in the interaction among components can compromise the overall system's quality
- Fault Injection can be a valuable approach to component-based system's testing



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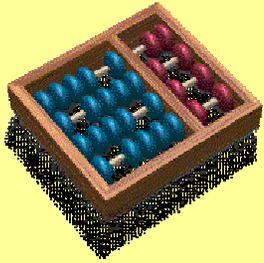
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Fault Injection

- Fault Injection
 - faults (or errors) are deliberately introduced into a system
 - useful to validate error-handling mechanisms
 - useful to assess system behavior when its components fails
- We use sw-implemented fault injection
 - faults are introduced during runtime
 - faults represent failure modes of components (internal or external to the system)



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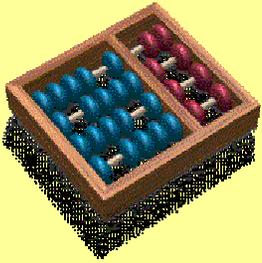
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Jaca

- Software Fault Injection Tool
- Written in Java language
- Uses computational reflection implemented by Javassist
- Does not need the source code of the system under test
- Can inject high level faults in an object-oriented system written in Java language



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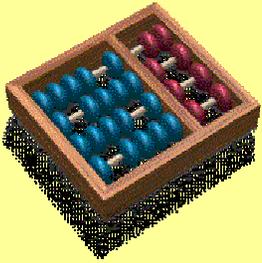
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Problems to Solve

- Which components to inject?
- Where to inject the faults?
- Which error models to use?
- When to inject the faults?
- How to inject them?



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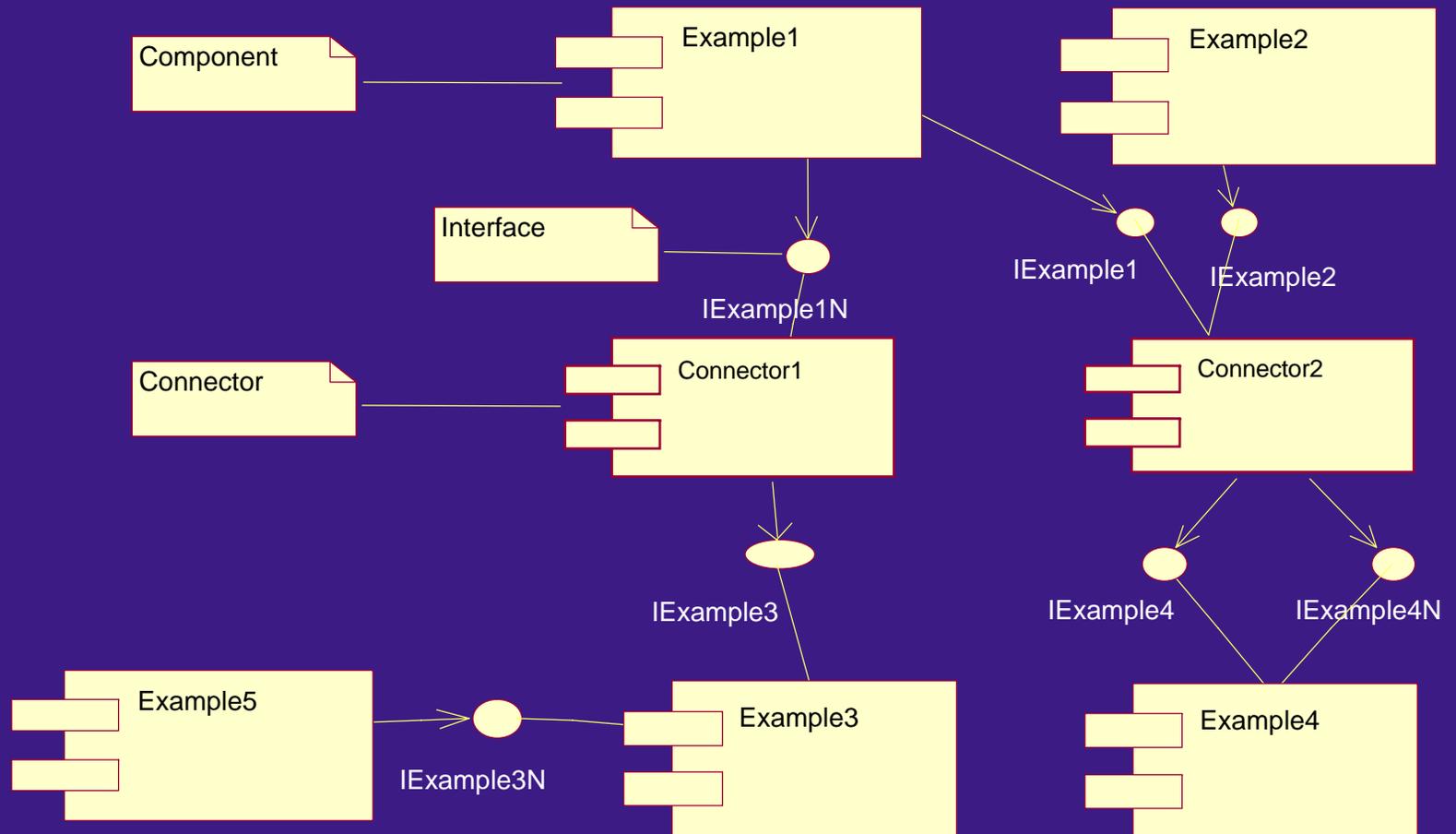
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Architectural View





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The Strategy

A Strategy based on Risk

➤ Aimed to answer the following questions:

• Which components to inject

• Where to inject

3. Select Op

4. Generate

New Component

Changed Component

Upstream Dependency

Downstream Dependency

Critical

Popular

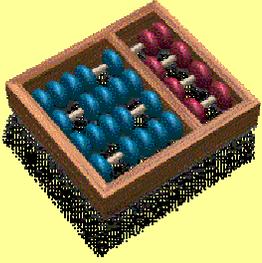
Strategic

Third Party

Distributed

Not Understandable

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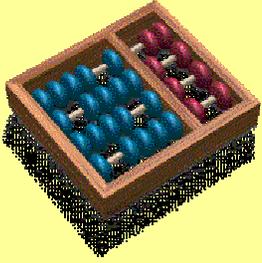


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The Strategy

➤ Other questions:

- Which error models to use
 - 5. Define Error Model
 - Ballista's Robustness Testing
 - Integration Faults
- When to inject the faults
 - 6. Decide Temporal Characterization
 - Randomly selected among permanent, transient and intermittent faults
- How to inject
 - Jaca Tool



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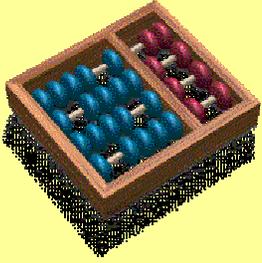


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Future Works

Open Problems

- How many criteria must be satisfied?
- How should these criteria be weighted?
- How should each factor be quantified?
- How should successors and predecessors be determined?
- What error model should be selected?
- How can good controllability and observability be achieved?



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Questions and Suggestions

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