



# Web Service Interfaces

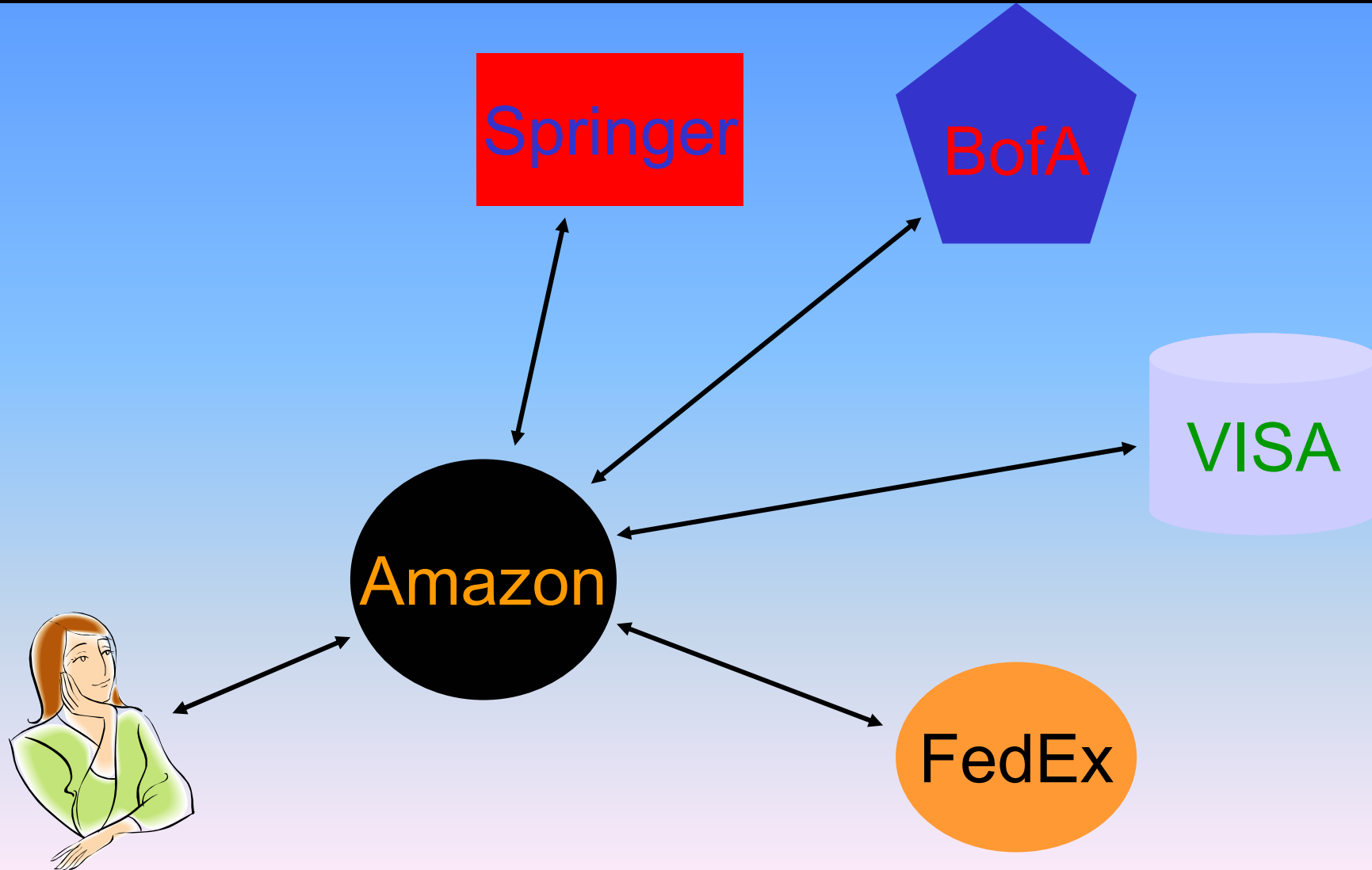
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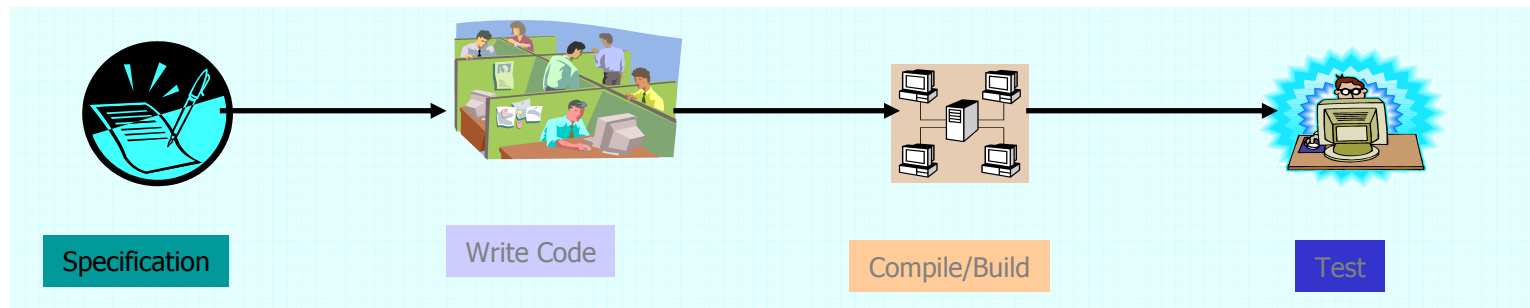
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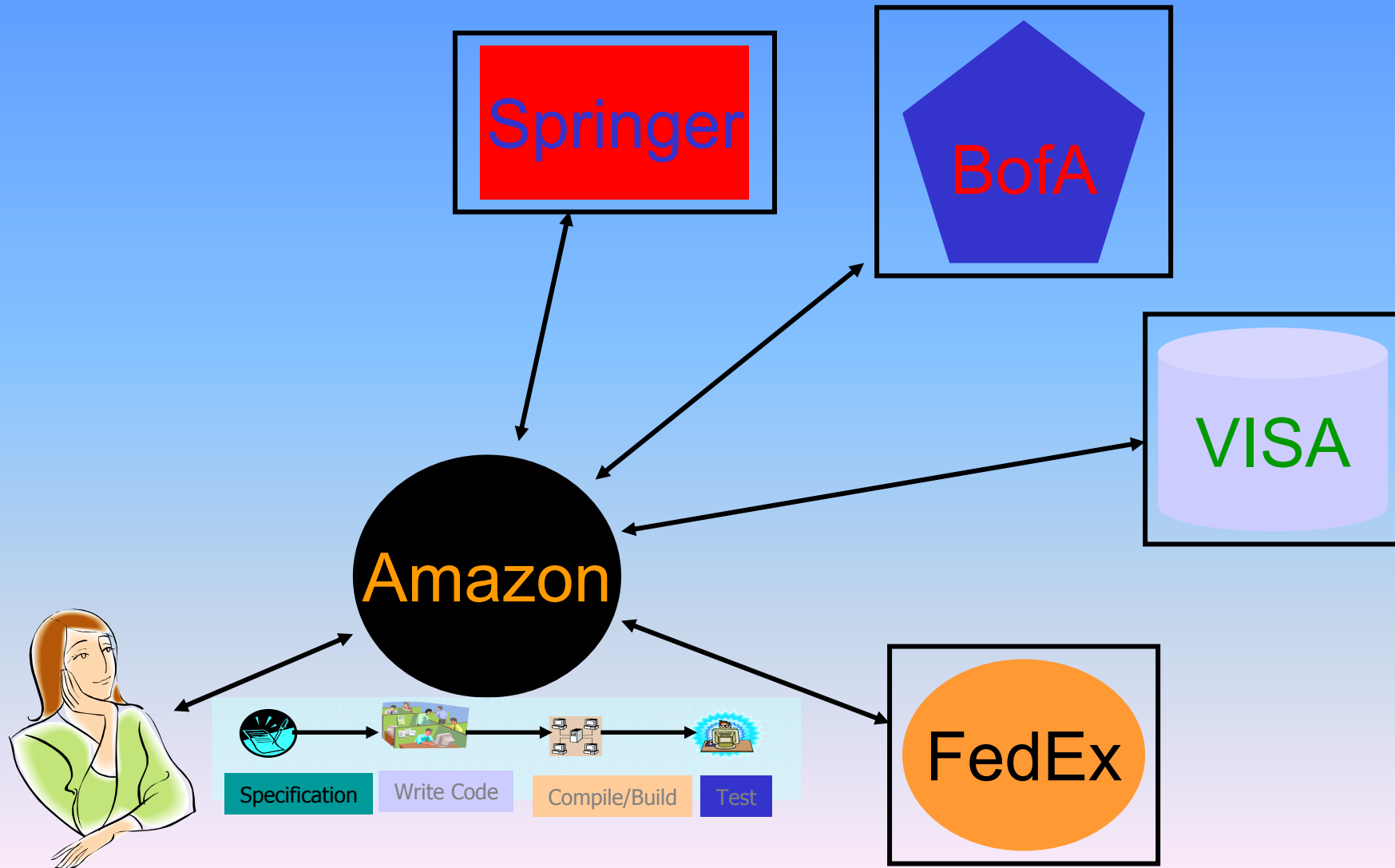
# Buying a Book



# Stand-alone software development scenario



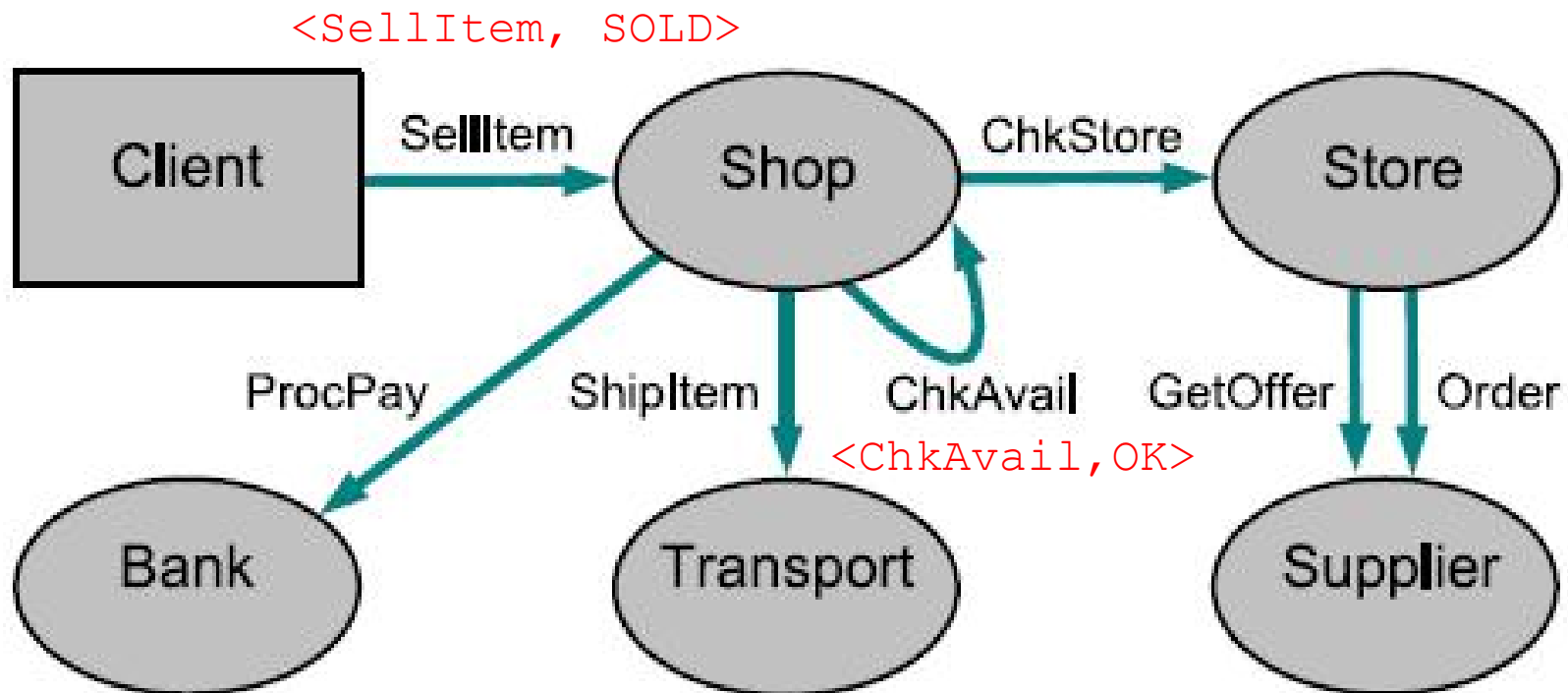
# Web software development scenario



# Web Service Interfaces

- Web methods:  $m \in M$
- Namespace:  $N \subseteq M$
- Instances:  $i$
- Actions:  $\langle m, i \rangle$

# Actions



# Web Service Interfaces

We provide three of them:

- Signature interfaces
- Consistency interfaces
- Protocol interfaces

# Signature Interfaces

Action  $a$  is mapped to the set of actions that may be directly invoked when  $a$  occurs.

$\langle \text{SellItem}, \text{sold} \rangle \rightarrow \{ \langle \text{ChkAvail}, \text{ok} \rangle, \langle \text{ProcPay}, \text{ok} \rangle \}$



# Supported and Required Actions

$$\langle m_1, i_1 \rangle \rightarrow \{ \langle m_2, i_2 \rangle, \langle m_3, i_3 \rangle \}$$

$\langle m_1, i_1 \rangle$  is supported (guaranteed).

$\langle m_2, i_2 \rangle$  and  $\langle m_3, i_3 \rangle$  are required (assumed).

Required actions outside interface namespace  
are supported by the *environment*.

# Compatibility and Composition

Two signature interfaces are compatible if their namespaces do not clash.

The composition is obtained by taking the union (of the namespaces and mapping functions).

# Refinement

$$\langle m_1, i_1 \rangle \rightarrow \{ \langle m_2, i_2 \rangle, \langle m_3, i_3 \rangle, \langle m_4, i_4 \rangle \}$$



$$\begin{aligned} \langle m_1, i_1 \rangle &\rightarrow \{ \langle m_2, i_2 \rangle, \langle m_3, i_3 \rangle \} \\ \langle m_2, i_2 \rangle &\rightarrow \{ \langle m_4, i_4 \rangle \} \end{aligned}$$

The refinement must not have a larger namespace.

# Refinement

Bank



Bank'

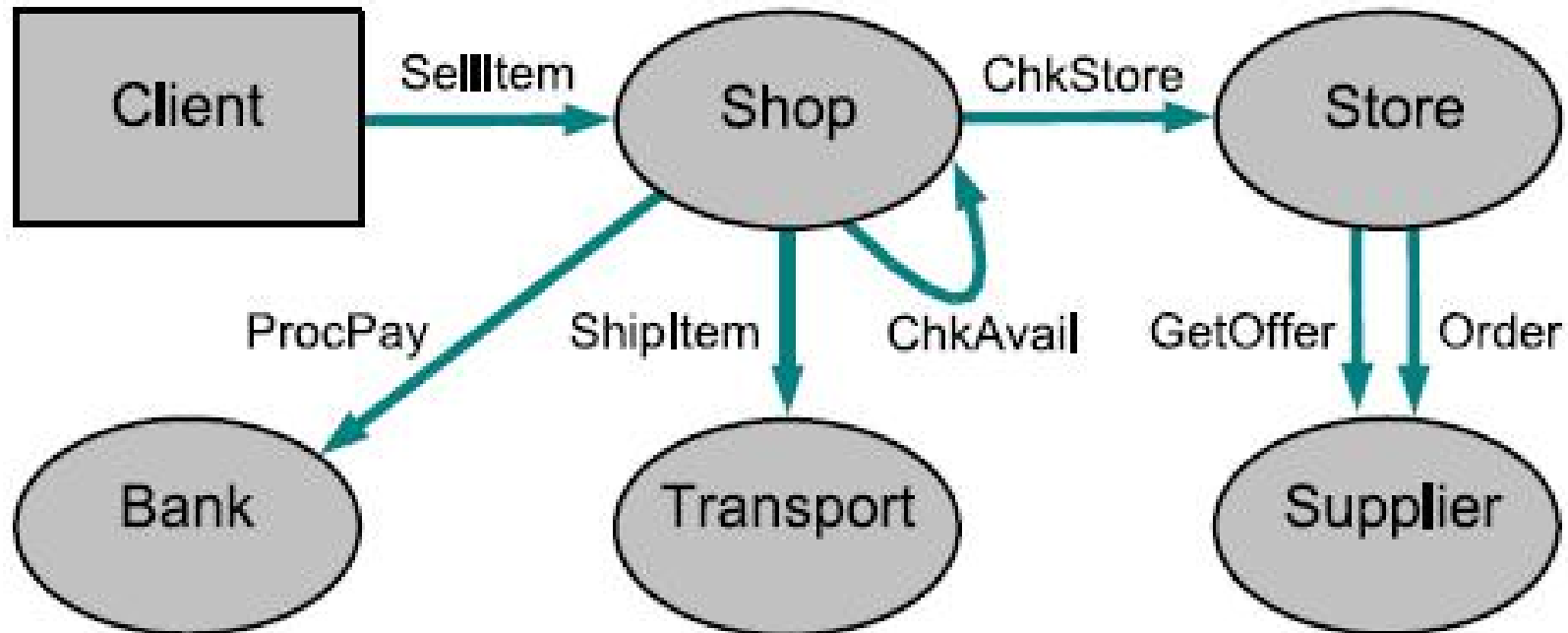
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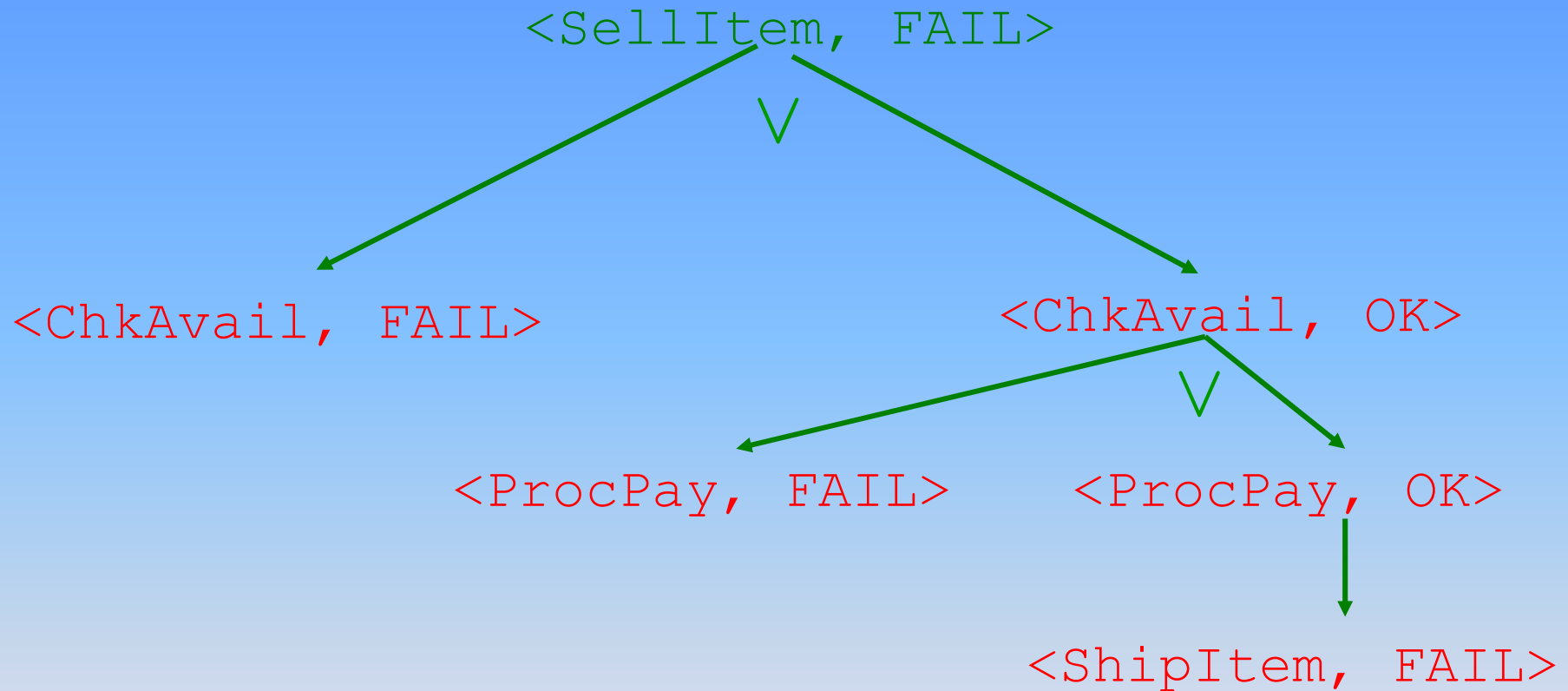
Consistency Interface =  
Signature Interface + Choice

An action is mapped to a set of *conversations*,  
where conversation is a set of actions  
exhibited together (in some sequence).

# Supply Chain Management Application



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Each path in the tree generates a conversation.



# Compatibility and Composition

- Consistency interfaces have *underlying* signature interfaces.
- Two consistency interfaces are **compatible** if their underlying signature interfaces are.
- The **composition** is given by union (of namespaces and mapping functions).

# Refinement

$$\langle m_1, i_1 \rangle \rightarrow \{ \{ \langle m_2, i_2 \rangle, \langle m_4, i_4 \rangle \} \vee \{ \langle m_3, i_3 \rangle \} \}$$



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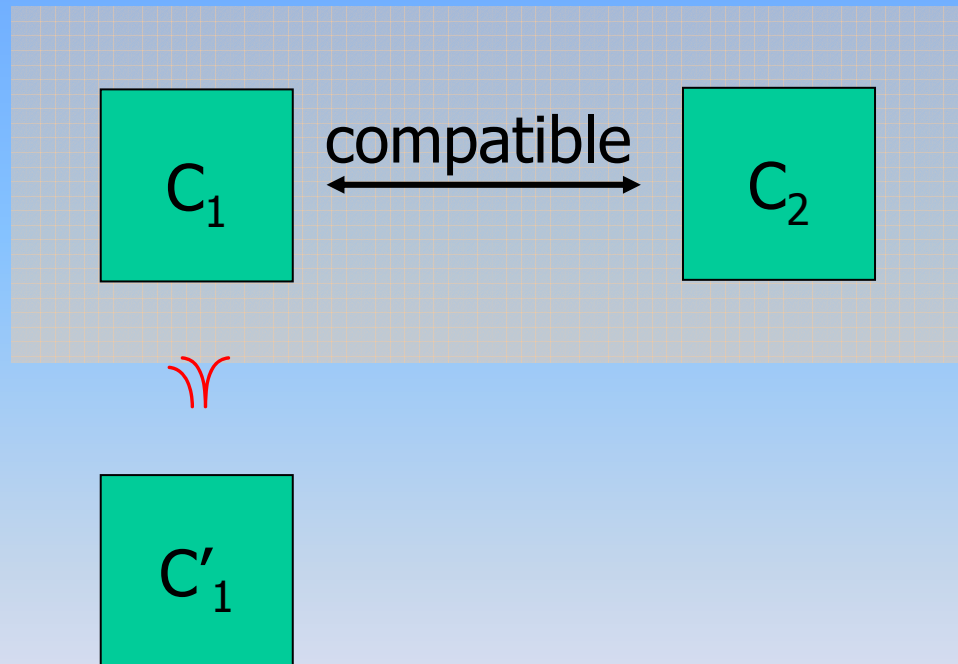
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<SellItem, FAIL> ↗  
{ <ChkStore, FAIL>, <ProcPay, OK> }
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The customer should not be charged if the item was not in store.

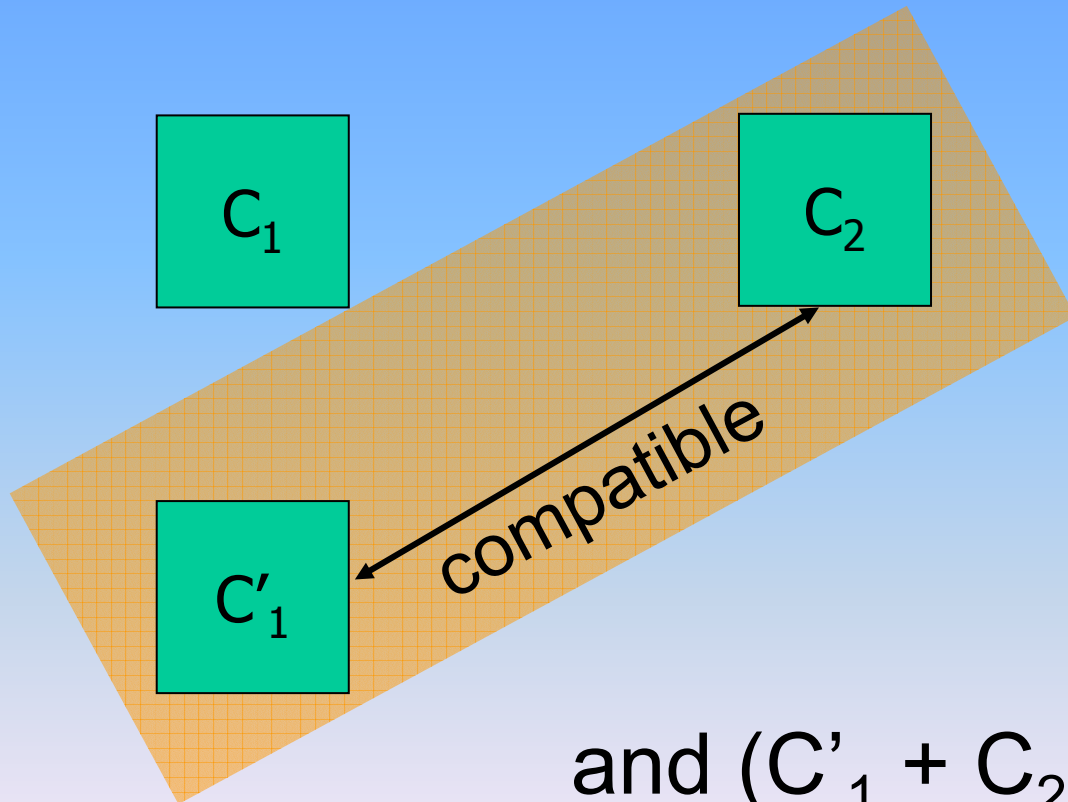
# Compositional Refinement

If



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Then



and  $(C'_1 + C_2) \approx (C_1 + C_2)$

# Refinement Preserves Specifications

If  $C \models \phi$ , then for all  $C'$  such that  $C' \preceq C$ , we have  $C' \models \phi$ .

# Existence of Environment

$C \models \phi$  if and only if there exists an environment  $E$  of  $C$ , such that  $(C + E) \models \phi$ .

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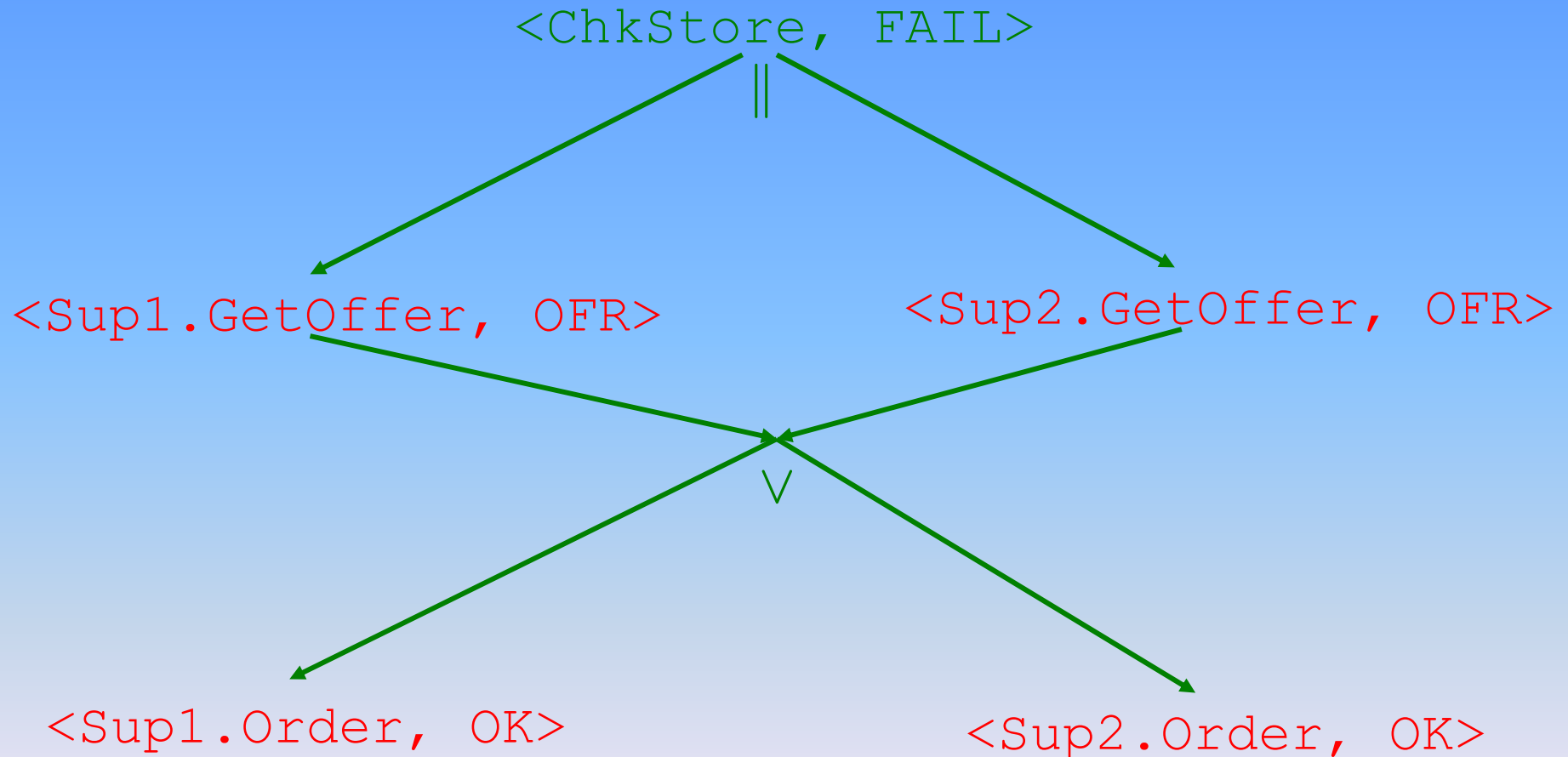


# Protocol Interfaces

Protocol Interface = Consistency Interface +  
Temporal sequencing information for action  
invocations.

An action is mapped to a set of recursive finite  
state machines with transitions labeled with  
sets of actions.

# Supply Chain Management Application



# Compatibility and Composition

- Protocol interfaces have *underlying* signature interfaces.
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# Refinement

## Alternating simulation

The sets of recursive finite state machines representing the protocol interfaces  $P$  and  $P'$  should be such that an alternating simulation relation holds (w.r.t. transitions labeled with actions in/not in the namespace of  $P/P'$ ).

# Specifications

Specifications are used to capture additional properties of interest.

$$\langle \text{SellItem}, \text{FAIL} \rangle \rightsquigarrow \neg \{ \langle \text{ChkStore}, \text{OK} \rangle \} \cup \{ \langle \text{ProcPay}, \text{OK} \rangle \}$$

The user should not be charged unless the item has already been found in store.

# Checking Specifications

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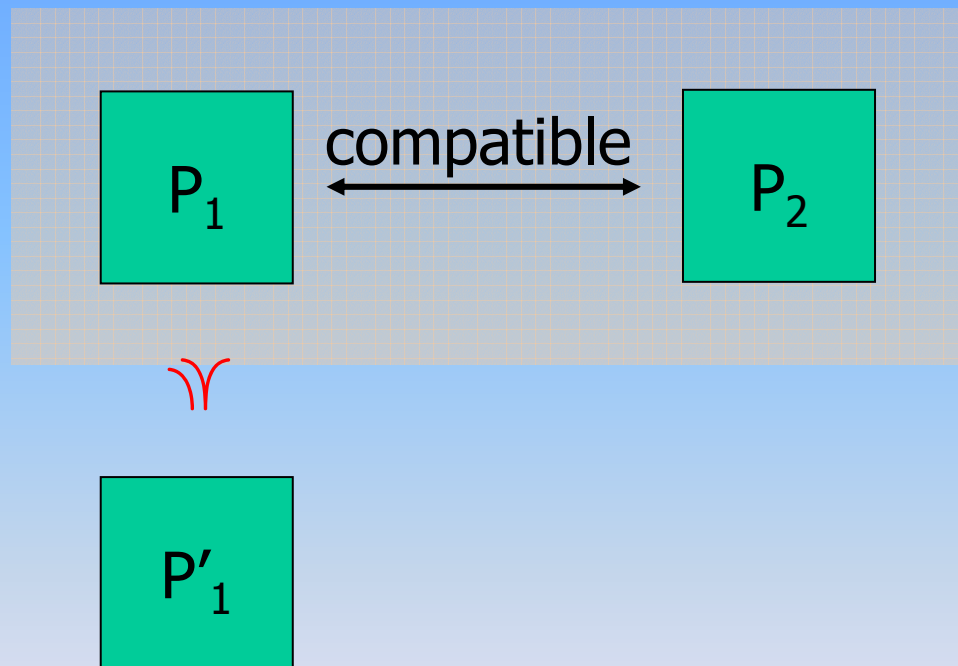
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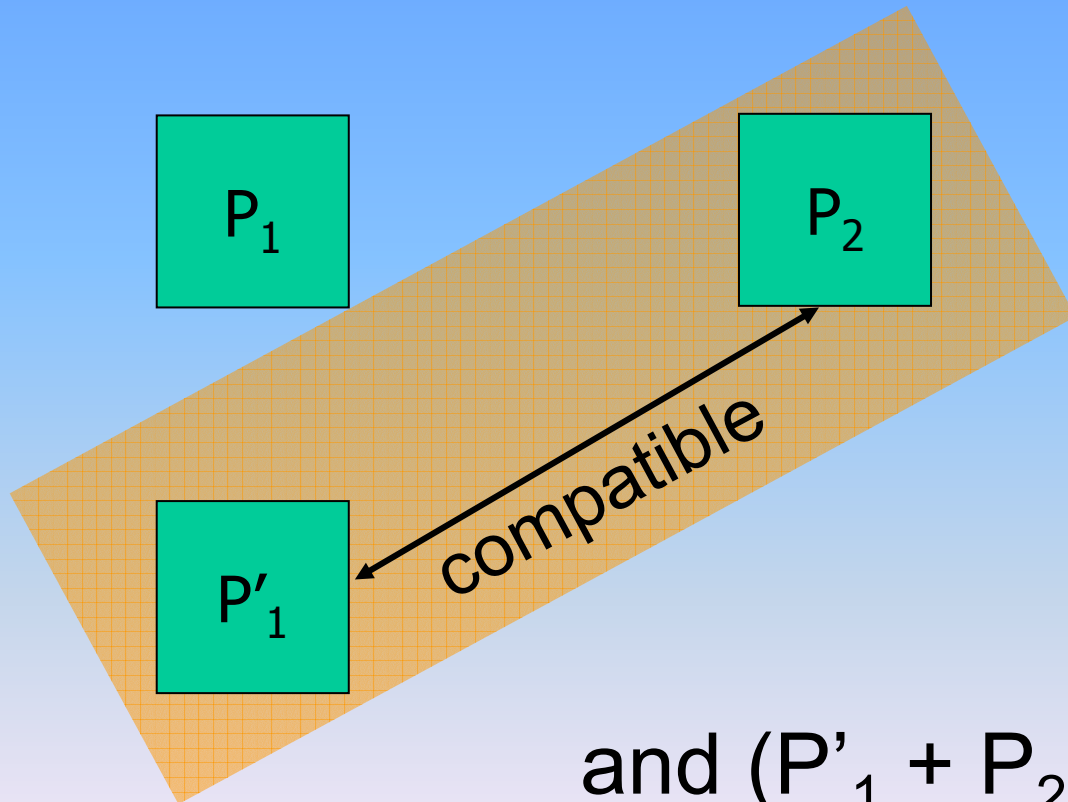
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# Summary

Three classes of interfaces for web services,  
allowing to reason about:

- Compatibility,
- Refinement, and
- Specification

for open systems.

# Thanks!

Questions, Comments ?