

# An Agile MDA Approach for Service-Oriented Components

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- **Component Definition, Validation and Composition** framework
- Includes:
  - Action language
    - UML structured activities
    - Graphical notation
  - Dynamic execution environment: iComponent

# The context

## Agile MDA approach:

- MDA: OMG, 2003
  - PIM, PSM, transformations
  - heavy-weight processes
- Agile – Mellor, 2005
  - light-weight process
  - test-first
  - immediate execution
- Executable UML
  - Non-standard action languages: Mellor&Balcer, 2002;
  - fUML: OMG standard, 2008

## Service-orientation:

### Approach:

1. Decompose  $\Rightarrow$  a collection of interacting services.
2. Define components implementing application services.
3. Define composite components for execution - as service specifications

### Platform dependent:

- SCA, 2007; iPOJO, 2008;

### Platform independent:

- iComponent, 2008

# Our approach

- Any UML case tool can be used to construct the models
- conform to fUML specification for executable models
- consists of applying the following steps in the specified order:
  1. the model is described on different layers:
  2. for simple components proceed with test-first component development.

# Model description layers

Services

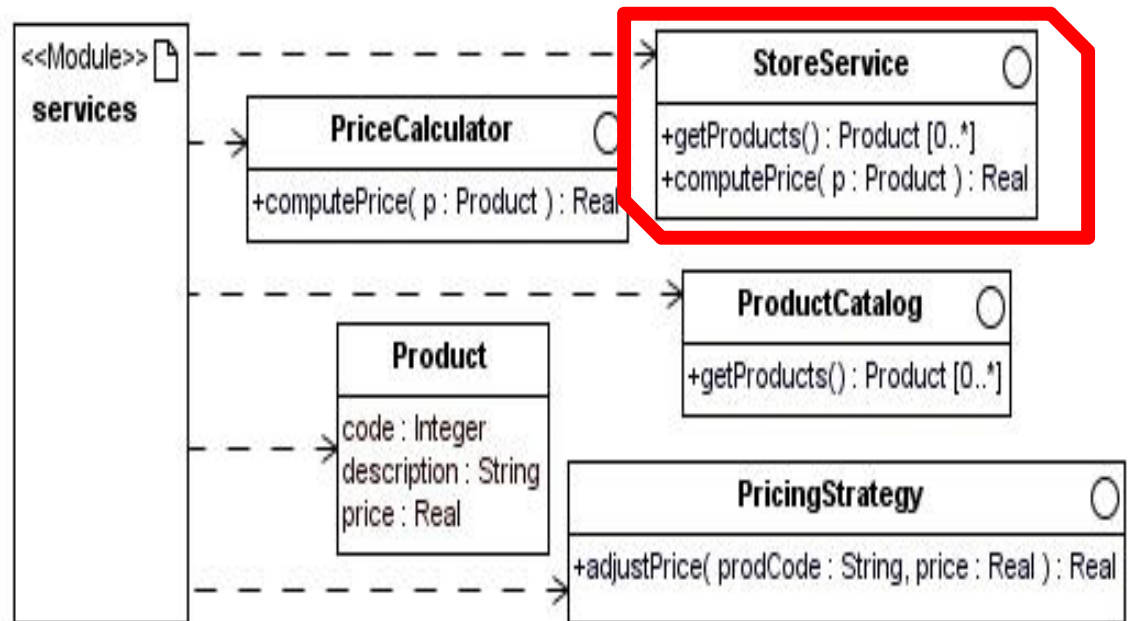


Structure


Deployment

# Service Model

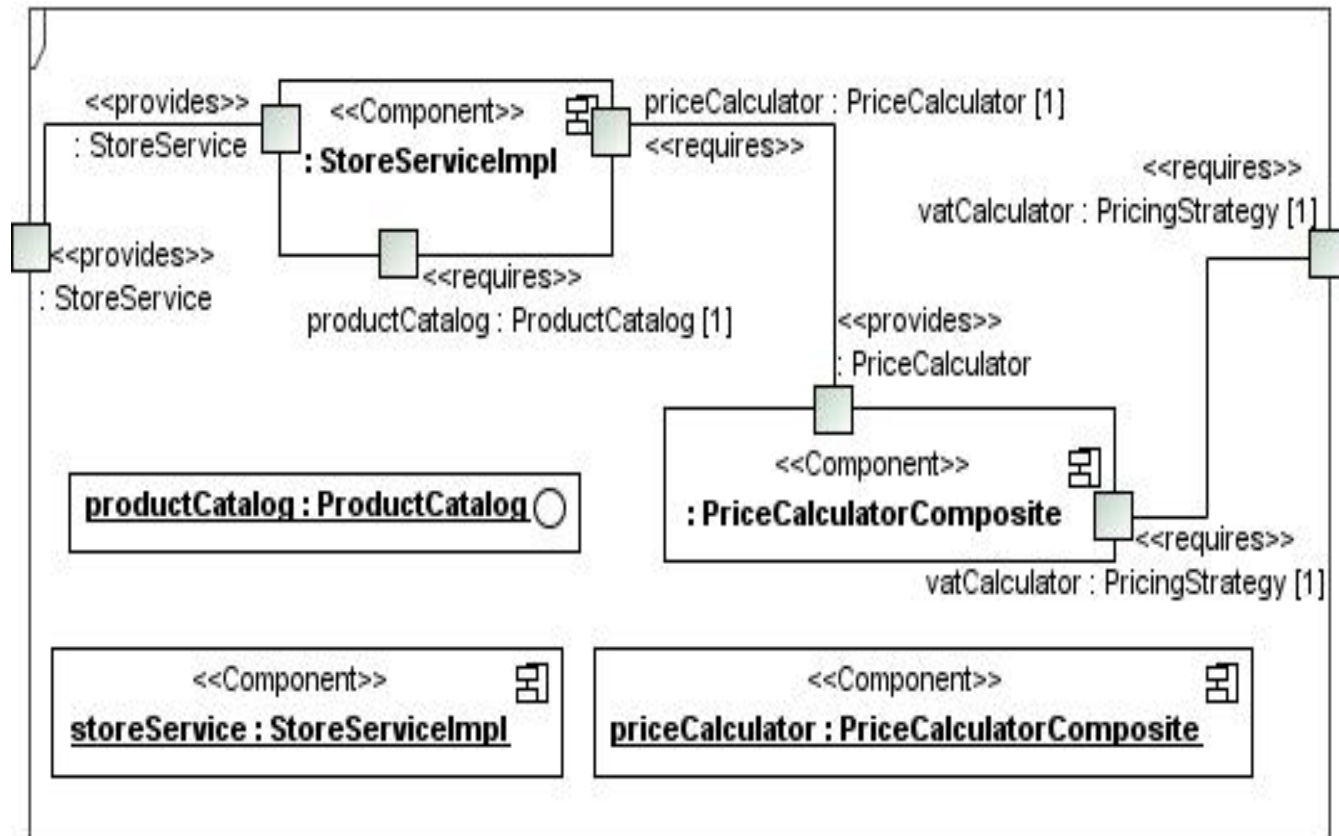
- Defined by the system analyst
- Describes the services provided by the system.
- Corresponding modules may include any data type:
  - classes,
  - interfaces, or
  - components.



# Structural Model

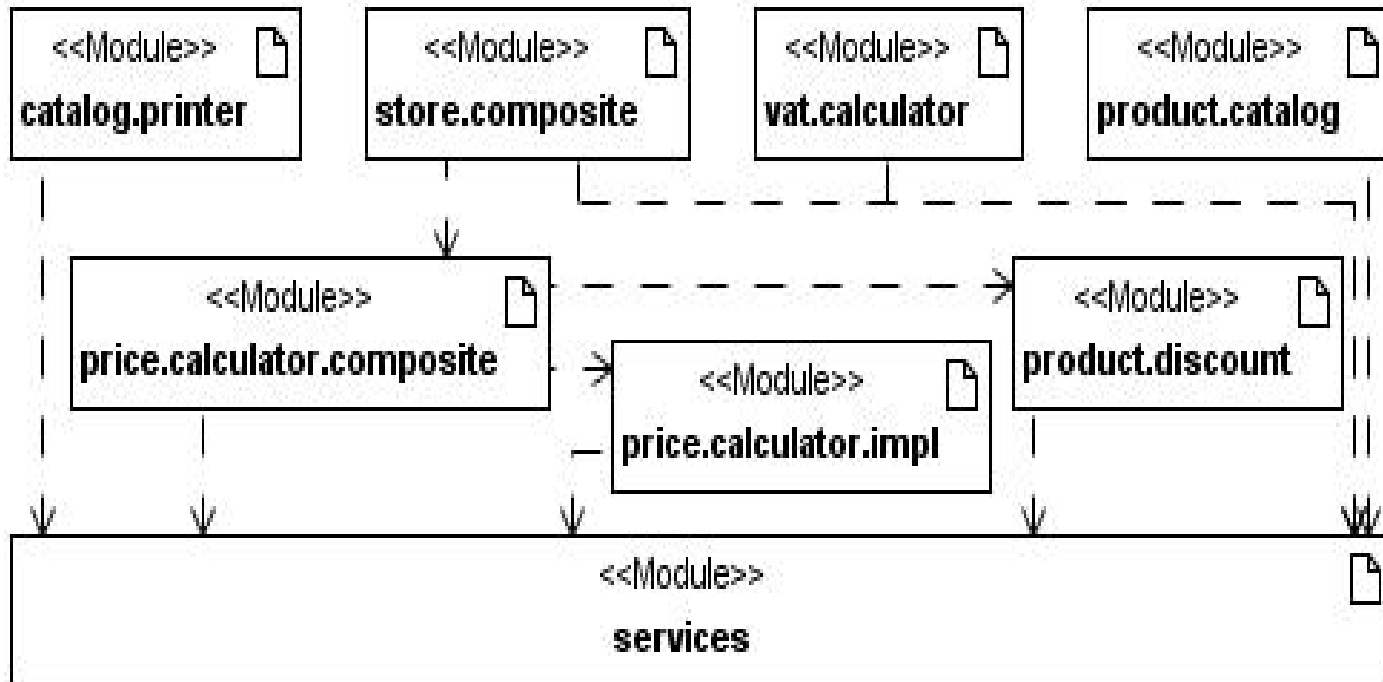
- typically defined by the system architect,
  - indicates component instances that will implement the services  $\Rightarrow$  decomposition in simple and composite components.
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- Rules**
- the internal structure of a component uses instances of other components, connected through ports;
  - Specify the provided and required ports
  - To select a certain service implementation satisfying some criteria – attributes:
    - **property** – provides -to export service properties
    - **filter** – requires – to filter required services
  - InstanceSpecification objects indicate which components should be created

# Structural Model and component instances

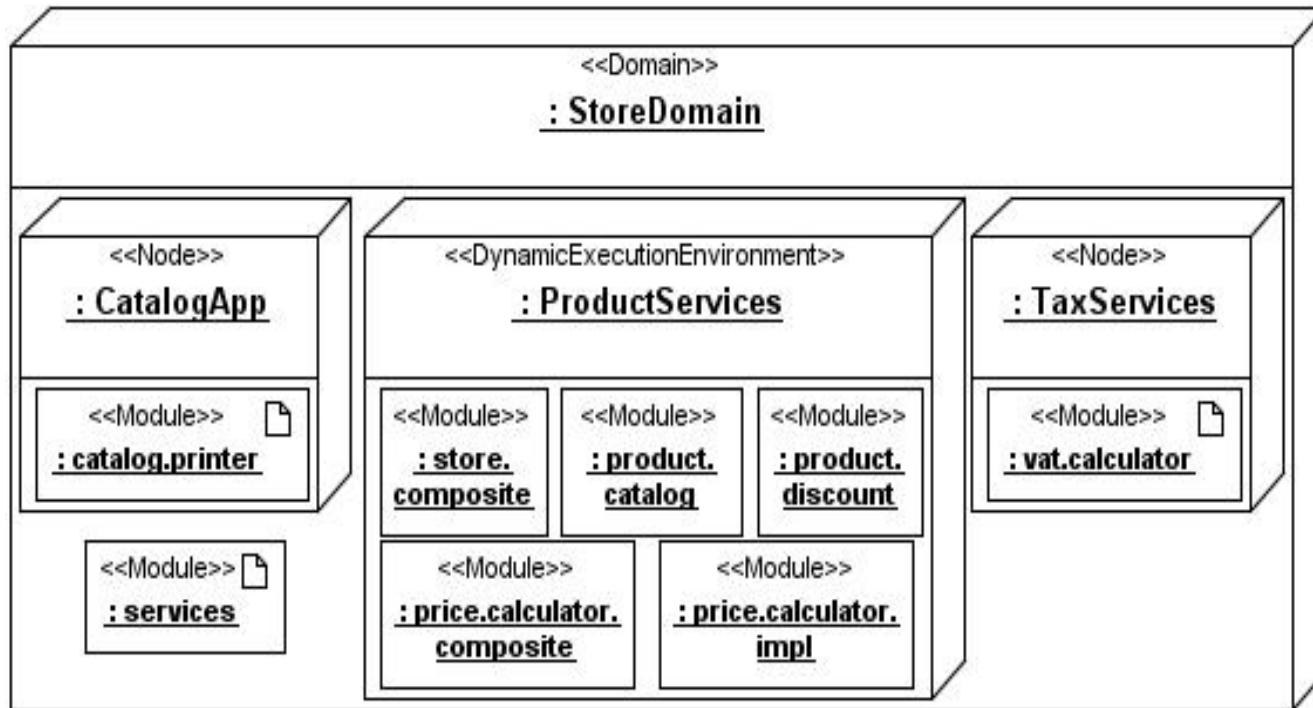




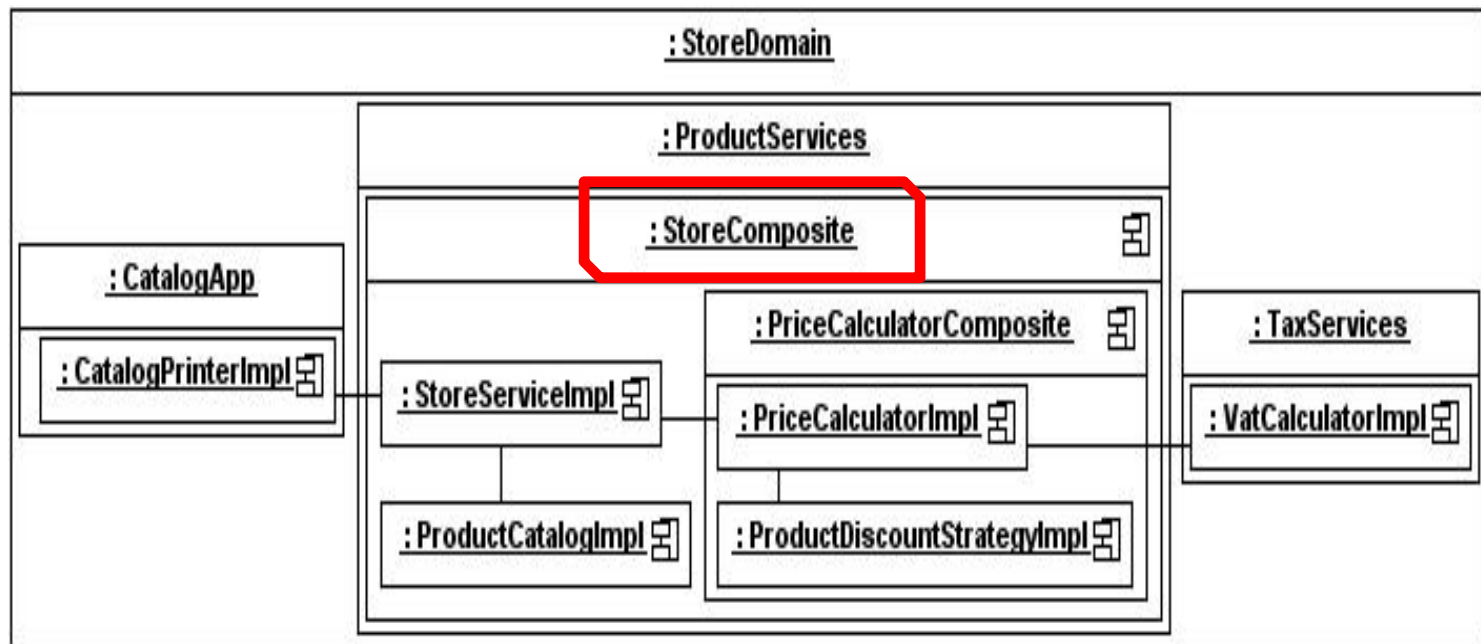
# Deployment Model – Modules dependencies



# Deployment Model – Domain and nodes

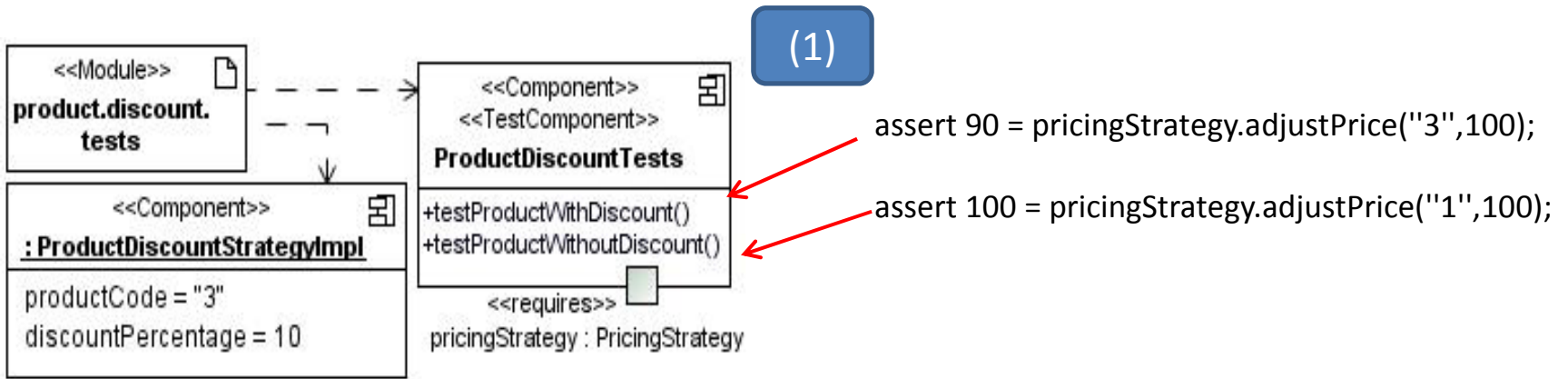


# Deployment Model – Component instances

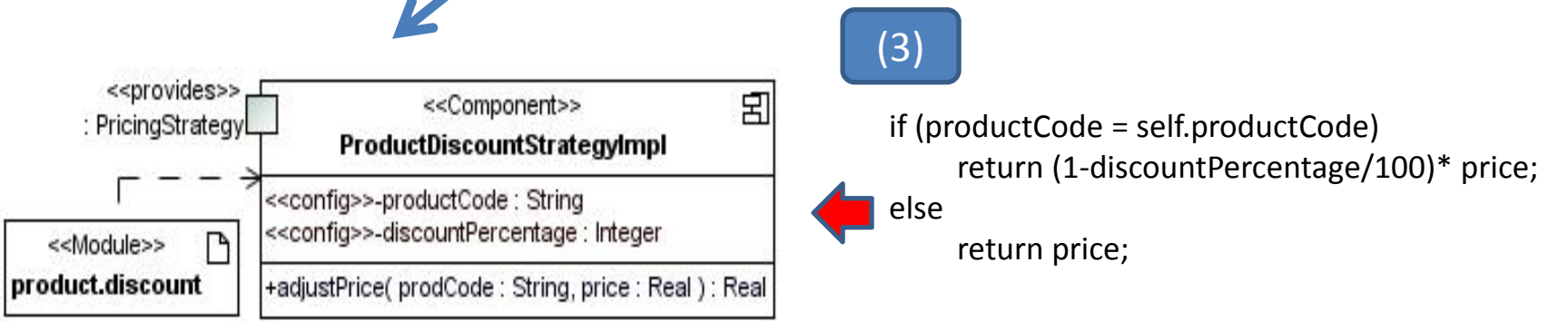


# Agile MDA process

1. Add a test
2. Run the test
3. Add production code
4. Run the test



Run test (2)



Run test again (4)



# Related work

iComponent	iPOJO	SCA
Domain	-	Domain
Node	-	Node
DynamicExecutionEnvironment	OSGi implementation	-
Module	Bundle	Contribution
Component	Component	Component
Composite component	Composite	Composite
provides	provides	Service
requires	requires	Reference
validate and invalidate	validate and invalidate	-
controller	controller	-
config	Property	Property

# Conclusions

- Agile MDA development approach for the development of service-oriented components.
- Distributed service architecture
- Separation between business logic and non-functional aspects
- Platform independence
- Rapid development - graphical