Implementing SAMP in Aladin

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coord.pointAt.sky

table.load.votable

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table.highlight.row

table.select.rowList





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- Includes JSAMP hub developed by M.Taylor





SAMP from a developer's point of view (1/2)

- SAMP could be named PLASTIC 2
 - Evolution, not revolution
 - Concepts are similar:
 - Hub-based
 - Publish-subscribe architecture
 - Migrating from PLASTIC to SAMP is fairly easy
- SAMP is a better PLASTIC
 - Separation of registration, metadata declaration, declaration of supported messages
 - Named parameters allows easier extension of existing messages (optional parameters)
 - Different delivery patterns are clearly defined





SAMP from a developer's point of view (2/2)

- samp.hub.ping != samp.app.ping
- Useful tools when developping/debugging
 - JSAMP hub in verbose mode
 - JSAMP monitor
- Beware of the XML-RPC implementation you use
- XML-RPC examples in SAMP documentation are helpful









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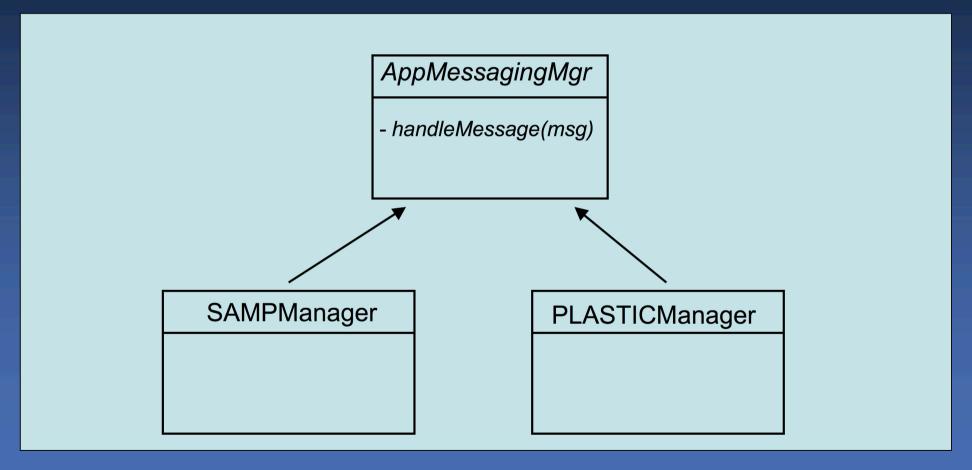




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- Supporting SAMP and PLASTIC in the same application session is trickier
 - Translation at super-hub level ?









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