

Modeling Metrics for Service Interpretation

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Abstract Information plays a major role in various application domains like library, financial, HealthCare and so on. Information as a service in these domains is achieved by applying Service Oriented Approaches. Handling information about those services are important in discovering the appropriate services for exact matching of consumer requirements. So the available information about these services needs to be organized in a better way for efficient access. Interpreting the appropriate service from the service registry needs complete information of the service. Researchers have discussed basic forms of representing information about services through functional aspects that help in identifying the required web service. This information addressed does not fulfil the consumer requirements normally; hence an extended registry has to be provided with additional details of non-functional aspects in order to locate the exact service. The effect of these attributes on discovering a required service has to be measured. This paper focuses on formulating metrics for interpretation of services based on functional and non-functional aspects of a service. From the literature we have identified features for interpretation. These features have been considered as a focal point and a metric suite is proposed to address those features. Based on these metrics, a measure for service interpretability is proposed. To verify the effectiveness of our proposed metrics, an experiment has been designed and carried out. The result of the proposed metrics shows the effectiveness and improvement of service discovery which gives exact matches to consumer requirements.

Keywords Service Interpretation, Interpretability Metrics, Discoverability Measures, Service Functional Measures, Non-Functional Metrics

1. Introduction

Applications in all fields are being developed as Service oriented applications and have acquired dominance among development styles. Services portray either single or multiple functionalities. Addressing multiple functionalities could be achieved through service composition. Service composition comprises of identifying the required services and combining one or more services to obtain a composite service. In order to compose the exact service, service discovery plays a major role in identifying that required service. Service discovery is concerned with identifying the appropriate services for fulfilling consumer requirement [1][3]. Effective service discovery is achieved through better interpretation.

Interpretability deals with understanding of service with reference to functional and quality of service Meta data. Hence service Interpretation needs sufficient documentation and relevant Meta data which are used to interpret appropriate services. Functionalities rendered by a service are described through interface definition and details about

syntax and semantics of services available in the service registry. Quality of service information is required to enhance discovery to suit the consumer requirements. The Qos information dwells with Availability, Compliance, Response Time, Throughput, Latency and Doc. Significance of service interpretability can be obtained from [20][23][26][46]. A need for measuring interpretability becomes vital.

Much of the research contribution is towards addressing the metrics for functional aspects which measures the interface and semantics of the web services. Other researchers have proposed measures for certain quality of service aspects like availability and response time. Hence the measures to corresponding interpretability are in primitive stage.

In this paper we are focusing on identifying the features for both functional and non-functional aspects of services interpretation. We have proposed metrics for the aspects identified and finally we have defined a new metric for service interpretation based on the proposed metrics. In order to study the proposed metrics, an experiment was designed and conducted. The rest of the paper is organized, section 2 gives review of measures contributed for service interpretation, and section 3 elaborates the proposed work. The experiment design was illustrated in section 4. The experimentation was carried out and results are reported in section 5. The conclusion is presented in section 6.

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2. Related Works

One or more services provide related or common functionalities. It's hard to find out the exact service. There arises a need to define the information relevant to service which leads to easy identification of required services. Service interpretation supports in searching and identifying the required service and also the measures corresponding to this component plays major role in service discovery. Our study concentrates on service interpretation of discoverability. The review has been categorized into three parts. The initial part address the aspects related to service interpretation and the second part focuses on the measures contributed by researchers that have some relevance to interpretability aspects. The final part of survey delivers the existing measures specific to interpretability aspects.

The aspects addressed by various researchers relate to interpretation of services are shown in table in 1. Functional attributes such as syntax and semantics of services are discussed by[45][19]. The non-functional aspects addressed by contributors are price, availability, response time, and throughput, reliability and network distance[24][25][34][45]. Some of the authors focus on enhancement or enriching the service registry additional attributes for better discovery[17][34]. The aspects specific to interpretation of services are addressed. It emphasis need for measures and metrics, in order to verify the attributes.

The literature presented in table 2 delivers the existing works pertaining to measures proposed by different authors, which have some relevance towards interpretation of services.

Table 1. Contributions towards Aspects of Service Interpretability

Researchers	Contribution	Aspects Addressed
Yannis et al.,[25]	Developed a web service discovery mechanism to search services from UDDI based on QOS characteristics	Price, network distance and execution time
Andreas Wombacher[45]	Proposed similarity based measures are used to order list of services retrieved using queries	Functional similar services are ordered
Alexander Wahl et al.,[17]	Contributed an architecture based approach to measure the actual QoS data that relate to desired QoS attributes	QOS attributes performance, roles and rights, reliability, Schedule and cost, proposed QOS compliance measure to check the desired QoS attributes
Natallia Kokash[21]	Proposed to approach based on recommendation system to provide quality of service information for assessing the behavioural and threshold policies of web services.	QOS
Natallia Kokash[19]	Comparative study for choosing the effective approach from the existing approaches for finding the lexical and structural matching of web services.	Syntax and Semantics of web services
Young Kon Lee[24]	Presents a classification scheme for representing quality data in service registry	Modification of quality data in future to increase the accuracy.
Ahmed and Bernhard[34]	Presented the list of Quality of Services attributes of web services and discuss about the importance of QoS attributes in service selection from the service registry	Accounting, response time and availability.

Table 2. Contributions towards Measures related to interpretability

Researchers	Contributions	Features Addressed and Measured proposed
Stefan Dietze et al.,[49]	Presented the mediation approach to automatically identify the most appropriate Semantic web services for a given request	Used Similarity measures to obtain relevant semantic web services
Minghui Wu et al.,[47]	Semantic web service discovery method used to sort the list of web services which are retrieved by using similarity queries	Functional semantics and non-functional semantics and proposed measure for semantic similarity using functional semantics
Benjamin[15]	Used similarity measures to specific elements in a WSDL document for ranking the web services from the list of Web services	Similarity measures for functional features
Kee-leong Tan[18]	Proposed the model for checking availability to determine the availability status of mobile web services	Non-functional aspect – Availability metrics
Bensheng Yun[48]	Combined approach of behaviour matching with fuzzy similarity are used for service matching	Measure proposed for service matching
Yu- Huai et al.,[44]	Proposed a hybrid approach for automatic discovery of web services. The discovery based on textual and ontology information about web services	Proposed metrics service similarity, operation similarity and similarity of input and output.

Table 3. Existing Measures specific to interpretability

Researchers	Contributions	Aspect addressed and Metrics Proposed
Jyotishman et al.,[16]	Ontology based flexible discovery using semantics of web services.	semantic measure
Meng et al.,[2009][20]	Introduced extensible ontology based approach for describing the QoS constraints in service registry. They proposed measures for certain QoS attributes used	Response time, Throughput, and Availability and capacity metrics
Ding et al., 2010[26]	Contributed a discovery algorithm for service matchmaking which uses syntactic and semantic searches in service registry for getting accurate results	Syntax and semantics metrics
Hong et al.[23]	proposed the quality of Service Data measures for filtering the web services	Proposed measures for completeness, Timeliness and interpretability
Ehsan Emadzadeh et al.,[46]	Proposed schema matchers techniques based on semantics and Quality attributes	Measures proposed for syntactic, semantic, (Correctness) and quality aspects (completeness)

The details expressed in the table 2 convey that the existing measures are focused mainly on functional aspects of services. The functional aspects taken for measures are either primitive or not specified exactly. And also researchers have talked about quality attributes but the measures corresponding to the attributes are not addressed. They proposed measure for few attribute (e.g. availability)[kee-lee]. These shows there should be need for exact measures for service interpretation.

Final part of the Review presented in table 3 gives the existing measures proposed by various researchers that are more specific in finding out the appropriate services from the service registry.

The literature reveals that measures specific to functional aspects are addressed with semantic and syntax metrics. These metrics are focused much towards the technical data representation of services (deeper about the technical information about services i.e. validating the syntactic and semantic representation of functional data) and does not provide support to interpretability measures of services [16][26][46]. Similarly the existing QoS attributes measures are limited[20][23]. Some of the author have proposed metrics for attributes like availability, response time, throughput and reliability (i.e. measures are proposed only for limited attributes). Hence there arises the need to measure other attributes also. From the study we have found that interpretability metrics of services are not addressed correctly. The measures corresponding to functional and quality of service attributes are in primitive or early stage needs more exploration.

3. Proposed Work

Discoverability is the process of searching the individual service based on the service description and to invoke or interpret those services based on the purpose and its capabilities[2]. Here the definition of discoverability

indicates that the two components or items, discovery and interpretability are involved in the entire process of service discoverability[5][10][23][25][32]. The discovery deals with the searching or finding the service and interpretability deals with usage or invocation of those services. So discoverability has to address these two components to offer better discovery. To address discovery and interpretability components we need to identify the features supporting these two items. In this paper our focus is to propose measures for interpretability component of discoverability.

3.1. Service Interpretability

Interpretability of services deals with clarity or communication which uses the functional and quality of service data for invocation. To invoke or use the services efficiently the functional and non- functional aspects i.e. quality of service data of each registered services has to be defined or represented clearly[11][12][13]. From the study we have found out the factors or features which listed below are essential for the invoking the services.

3.1.1. Functional Specification

Normally the functional data of service depicts the purpose and capabilities of the services in the service registry [14]. The two components which are used to represent functional data are [22][31]

- Semantic Elements – The semantic elements are used to represent the purpose of the service (i.e. This defines the scope of the services)
- Service Operation - The syntax or interface, which depicts the operation or capabilities of services (i.e. it clearly represents what functionalities are offered by services)

3.1.2. Quality of Service Meta Data

The Quality of Service data is used for finding the suitable service from the group of services which meet out consumer requirements. The Quality of Service data used by consumer

for evaluating and filtering relevant service from group of services because it gives the behavioral characters, Operational thresholds and policies of the each service in the Service Registry[2].

We have identified the various quality data which are used by consumer for assessing or filtering their service are listed below [10][12][13][33]:

- Availability
- Compliance
- Response Time

- Throughput
- Latency
- Doc
- Reliable messaging and best practices

The attributes describing functional and non-functional aspects are listed in the table 4. We have defined the value range and corresponding units for each attributes and which are explained in section 4. We have designed a service registry based on the aspects listed in table 4.

3.2 Interpretation Metrics

3.2.1 Functional Data Measures

- Check for Described Semantic Elements

Checking for Described Semantic Elements (DSE) is measured by assessing the ratio of matching semantic elements to total matching and mismatching semantic elements of Service. This metric check whether purpose or scope of the services are described properly or not.

$$\text{Ratio of Described Semantic Elements (DSE)} = \frac{M_{\text{semantic elements}}}{M_{\text{semantic elements}} + MM_{\text{semantic elements}}}$$

Here the value range of DSE is 0..1. Higher the value of DSE metric indicates purposes of the service are clearly defined. The value of this metric is zero if no matches found

- Check for well Defined Service Operations

Checking for defined Service operations (DSO) is measured by assessing the ratio of structural matching (Service operation matching) to total matching and mismatching Service operations of Service. The metric uses the additional factor called versioning of services. Here we have fixed values for each version of service. The versioning of service takes the maximum up to 3 versions. This metric checks whether capabilities of the services are described properly or not.

$$\text{Ratio of Defined Service Operations (DSO)} = \left(\frac{SV1 + SV2 + \dots + SVn}{\text{NumofServop} * \left(\sum_{i=1}^n Vn \right)} \right)$$

The versioning of services are named as V1, V2 and V3 and the values of V1=1, V2=2 and V3=3. Here the value range of DSO is 0..1. Higher the value of DSO metric indicates operations of the service are well defined. The value of this metric is 0 if no matches found.

The functional data value measure is calculated by using the values of two metrics. FDV is computed as

$$\text{Functional Data Value (FDV)} = W1 * DSE + W2 * DSO$$

Here W1 and W2 is the weight factor whose value is 0.5. We are giving the equal weights to both factors because the two factors are essential. Service operation is important component to expose the functionalities of service. Semantic elements are not a mandatory but it's used to increase the usability of services.

3.2.2. Quality of Service Measures

The QoS attribute measures for each quality are described below, here we have found out the expected minimum and maximum values for each quality attribute. The minimum value is calculated as ratio of min value of each QoS attribute to maximum value of each QoS attribute. The maximum value for each data is obtained from max of value of each quality attribute to max range of each quality attribute.

$$\text{Ratio of Expected Min value of QoS data} = \frac{\text{Min value of each QoS data}}{\text{Max value of each QoS data}}$$

$$\text{Ratio of Expected Max value of QoS data} = \frac{\text{Max value of each QoS data}}{\text{Max Range}}$$

The value of numerator and denominator are taken from the service registry. Expected minimum metrics values are used only when the particular quality of service data is not available in the service registry. The value range for these metrics falls from 0 to 1. In case of response time and latency ratios only we use expected max value (response time and latency) remaining ratio's we have used expected minimum only.

- Ratio of Availability (Avail)

Availability of services is measured by using this metric,

RA= Max (Measured Quality attribute Value, Expected Min Quality attribute Value)

$$RA = \max \left(1 - \left(\frac{\text{Desired}(Avail) - \text{Agreed}(Avail)}{\text{Max}(Avail)} \right), \text{Expected}(\text{MinvalueofAvail}) \right)$$

Where,

Desired (Avail) is expected availability of service,

Agreed (Avail) is the availability offered by the service

Max (Avail) is the maximum availability value for service

Here value range of Availability is from 0 to 1. Higher the value of this ratio indicates high availability of services.

- Ratio of Compliance (Comp)

$$R(\text{Comp}) = \max \left(\left(\frac{\text{Agreed}(\text{Comp})}{\text{Max}(\text{Comp})} \right), \text{Expected}(\text{Minvalueofcomp}) \right)$$

Where,

Agreed (comp) is the compliance offered by the service

Max (comp) is the maximum compliance value for service

Here value range of Compliance is from 0 to 1. Higher the value of this ratio gives high compliance of services.

- Ratio of Response time (rt)

$$R(\text{rt}) = 1 - \min \left(\left(\frac{\text{Agreed}(\text{rt})}{\text{Max}(\text{rt})} \right), \text{Expected}(\text{Maxvalueofrt}) \right)$$

Where,

Agreed (rt) is the number of seconds taken by service to respond request

Max (rt) is the maximum number of seconds taken by service to respond request

Here value range of Response time is from 0 to 1. Lower the value of this ratio depicts better response from services. We are normalizing the value to 1 because all the ratios are in max value except two.

- Ratio of Throughput (tp)

$$R(\text{tp}) = \max \left(\left(\frac{\text{Number of Requests Processing by given Service}}{\text{Expected Number of Requests Processing by given Service}} \right), \text{Expected}(\text{Minvalueoftp}) \right)$$

Here value range of throughput is from 0 to 1. Higher the value of this ratio indicates the services can handle more number of user requests.

- Ratio of Latency

$$R(\text{latency}) = 1 - \min \left(\left(\frac{\text{Agreed Delay}}{\text{Maximum Delay}} \right), \text{Expected}(\text{Maxvalueoflatency}) \right)$$

Where,

Agreed Delay is the number of second's delay of service to respond request

Max. Delay is the maximum number of second's delay of service to respond request

Here value range of latency is from 0 to 1. Lower the value of this ratio indicates the services offer less delay in processing requests. We are normalizing the value of latency to 1

- Ratio of Doc

$$R(\text{Doc}) = \max \left(\left(\frac{\text{Doc supplied by Service}}{\text{Expected Doc for Service}} \right), \text{Expected}(\text{min valueofdocforservice}) \right)$$

Here value range of Doc is from 0 to 1. Higher the value of this ratio indicates the services offer more documents for better usage.

- Ratio of Reliable Messaging (RM)

$$R(\text{RM}) = \max \left(\left(\frac{\text{NumberofErrorMessagehandlebyService}}{\text{ExpectedNumberofErrorMessagehandlebyService}} \right), \text{Expected}(\text{min RMvalue for service}) \right)$$

Here value range of Reliable message is from 0 to 1. Higher the value of this ratio indicates the services can handle more Error messages.

- Ratio of Best Practices (BP)

$$R(\text{BP}) = \max \left(\left(\frac{\text{Actual BP}}{\text{Expected BP}} \right), \text{Expected}(\text{min BPvalueforservice}) \right)$$

Here value range of best practices is from 0 to 1. Higher the value of this ratio shows the services adopted good practices. The overall quality of Service data Measure (QDM) is computed as

$$\text{QoS Data Measure (QDM)} = \text{avg} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n Q_i \right)$$

Where, Q_i gives ratio of each quality data

We have used eight qualities of Service data, the maximum value of i is 8.

3.2.3. Interpretation Metrics

Finally, the interpretation of service (IoS) is computed by the values of Functional Data measure and quality of Service data measure (i.e. FDV and QDM).

$$\text{Interpretation of Service (IoS)} = ((\text{FDV} + \text{QDM}) / 2)$$

Here value range of IoS is from 0 to 1. Higher the value of this measure gives better invocation of Service.

4. Experiment Design

To demonstrate the usability of the proposed metrics, we have designed and implemented three different service registries. Each registry contains three different ranges of data (i.e. registry with 1000, 2000 and 3000 entries)[14][23][27][28]. We derived complete list of attributes which describes functional and non-functional aspects of Services. The value ranges of each attribute (i.e. from minimum to maximum) chosen for the service registry as shown in table 4. The naming of the registry is based on attributes chosen for the registry i.e. minimum set of attributes, next level or medium set of attributes and full set of attributes. The attributes for each service registry have been chosen from table 4. The registries are named as SR1, SR2 and SR3.

- SR1- Service Registry 1 is the basic registry which contains limited number of attributes
- SR2 – Service Registry 2 extended version which contains additional attributes when compared to SR1.
- SR3 – Service Registry 3, Optimum registry which contains complete attributes

4.1. Service Registry Attributes

The attributes chosen are based on the review of various works and the values for each attributes are defined with help of the references and few attributes are defined by our self that are checked for its optimum. The information given below gives description about each attributes and corresponding values for them.

- Registry attributes listed in table 4 describes the complete information of each registered service. Here the attributes are differentiated based on functional and quality of service data. The primitive attribute is service name usually represented using the string type. Service category provides the support for better organization of services and to avoid the misplace of services falls under string type, service version is a number type attribute allowing for simultaneous deployment of multiple versions of the same service and allowing the consumer to choose the version he wants to use. An interface is a fully qualified name of the service, ensuring that a consumer refers to the interface what the services actually expose.

The Consumer Type parameter allows us to assign different service endpoints/bindings to different types of consumers for example platinum/golden/etc. The other fields or attributes like semantic elements and service operation falls under type number and are used to represent the purpose and capabilities. The Semantic elements give the described semantic elements matching to consumer demands or requirements. The attribute value is set to max of 5 and min of 3 for our experimental purpose. We have checked the optimality for these values. Service Operation gives the number of operation defined for the service. The attribute value is set to max of 6 and min of 3 for our experimental purpose.

- The quality of Service data list out the various fields and their values for the services in the registry to filter and use appropriate services that matches the service consumer demands. The values for each attributes and units are chosen based on the references[6][10][11][24][25].

The Service registry SR1 is designed with minimum or basic fields and SR2 with additional fields other than SR1 and SR3 is the complete set which consists of the all fields defined in the table which is explained separately in section 4.2, 4.3 and 4.4. Here we have considered the banking and financial services (B&F Services) as specific category for conducting the experiment towards interpretation.

4.2. Interpretation Metrics on Service Registry1 (SR1)

The Service Registry (SR1) contains limited attributes. It contains basic attributes like service name, category, service ID, service operation, availability and compliance. Here we formulated 12 queries for our experiment.

- i.e. Query1 contains Category, Query2 contains Category + Compliance, and likewise remaining queries contains the fields from previous queries in addition to its own field.

Out of 12 queries, SR1 gives response for first three queries and for the remaining queries values of query 3 will be repeating as it is a primitive registry and contain basic fields. Proposed functional and non-functional measures applied to result of Query 3 values. In SR1 versioning of Services and semantic descriptions are not available. So the metric DSE value gives zero for all the services. The Functional data measures values (FDV) of SR1 are shown in table 5.

Table 4. Service Registry Attributes

Types of Data in Registry					
Functional Data					
S. No.	Attribute Name	Type	Value Range (Min to Max)		
1.	Service ID (UUID)[33]	Numeric	Use 8 digit	16 digit	
2.	Service Name[34]	String	10 char	50 char	
3.	Category[28][33][42][41]	String	10 char	20 char	
4.	Version[28][42]	Number	1	3	
5.	Interface Name[12]	String	10 char	30 char	
6.	Consumer Type[28]	String	10 char	20 char	
7.	Endpoint Address[30]	String (url)	15 char	30 char	
8.	Semantic Elements[31]	Number	3	5	
9.	Service Operation[31]	Number	3	6	
Quality of Service Data[31][32]					
S. No.	Attribute Name	Type	Units	Value Range (Min to Max)	
1.	Compliance to Std.[40]	Numeric	Percentage	10	100
2.	Response Time[43]	Numeric	Millisecond	10	30
3.	Latency[13]	Numeric	Seconds	20	50
4.	Doc[13]	Numeric	Percentage	10	100
5.	Availability[40][43]	Numeric	Days	1	7
6.	Throughput[40]	Numeric	Hits/sec	10	20
7.	Reliable messaging[25]	Numeric	Percentage	5	10
8.	Best Practices[25]	Numeric	Percentage	10	100

Table 5. Functional data measure values (FDV) of SR1

Services	DSO	DSE	FDV
B&F Services 13	0.5	0	0.25
B&F Services 32	0.333333	0	0.16
B&F Services 91	0.5	0	0.25

Table 6. Quality data measure (QDM) values of SR1

Services	RA	RC	RRT	RT	RL	RDOC	RRM	RBP	QDM
B&F Services 13	1	0.98	0	0.5	0	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.397
B&F Services 32	1	0.98	0	0.5	0	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.397
B&F Services 91	1	0.98	0	0.5	0	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.397

The QDM is computed by using the two QoS attribute measures (i.e. availability and compliance) as shown in table 6. The remaining field measures values are computed by using the expected minimum and expected maximum metric. Here the expected minimum is not applied Latency and Response time because for these measures expected maximum is the worst case. For remaining quality data the worst case is expected minimum.

4.3. Interpretation Metrics on Service Registry2 (SR2)

The Service Registry 2 (SR2) is the extended version of SR1 with additional attributes like version, interface name, Response time and throughput. Out of 12 queries, SR2 gives response up to the sixth query and the remaining there is no response, the values of the query 6 will be repeating because

it is an extended version which contains additional fields compared to SR1. In case of SR2 the DSO metric will be high when compared to SR1 because it has an additional attribute versioning of services. The versioning of services will have an impact on these defined service operation. Hence the FDV values of SR2 are high.

Table 7. Functional data measure values of SR2

Services	DSO	DSE	FDV
B&F Services 13	0.61	0	0.305
B&F Services 32	0.55	0	0.275
B&F Services 91	0.72	0	0.36

Similarly in case of QoS data measures uses additional two values of QoS Data measures when compared to SR1.

Table 8. Quality data measure values of SR2

Services	RA	RC	RRT	RT	RL	RDOC	RRM	RBP	QDM
B&F Services 13	1	0.98	0.6	1	0	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.535
B&F Services 32	1	0.98	0.53	1	0	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.526
B&F Services 91	1	0.98	0.43	1	0	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.513

Table 9. Functional data measure values of SR3

Services	DSO	DSE	FDV
B&F Services 13	0.61	0.2	0.405
B&F Services 32	0.55	0.8	0.675
B&F Services 91	0.72	0.2	0.46

Table 10. Quality data measure values of SR3

Services	RA	RC	RRT	RT	RL	RDOC	RRM	RBP	QDM
B&F Services 13	1	0.98	0.6	1	0.52	1	0.95	0.93	0.872
B&F Services 32	1	0.98	0.53	1	0.56	1	0.95	0.93	0.868
B&F Services 91	1	0.98	0.5	1	0.5	1	0.95	0.93	0.857

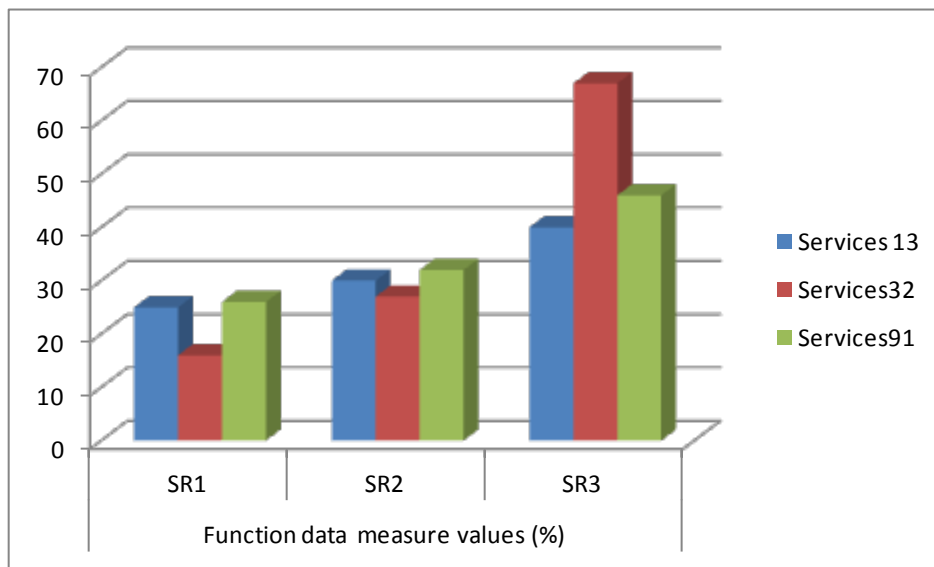


Figure 1. FDM values of SR1, SR2 and SR3 for various Services

4.4. Interpretation Metrics on Service Registry3 (SR3)

The Service Registry 3 (SR3) contains the all attributes listed in the table 1 because it is a complete registry and gives output for all the 12 queries. The FDV is computed based on two factors but in the case of SR1 & SR2 it uses only defined service operation (DSO). Similarly in the case of QoS data measure value is calculated by using the values of all quality of service data measures.

5. Findings & Discussion

The experiment was conducted against the three different registries that have been formed with B& F services, by using certain queries which supports interpretation. In analysis, we focus on each metric value that is applied in the experiment. The table 11 displays the result of FDM values of three different registries. High value FDM shows that the services contain more functional data i.e. the semantics and syntax of services are clearly defined. Consider the B&FI

services 13 , the FDM value upon three different registries indicates there is a gradual increase because the clear representation of syntax and semantics of the service. In the case of B&F Service 32 there is a sudden increase in FDM value on service registry3 because semantics are expressed more precisely when compared to other two registries. So the complete/essential information about syntax and semantics has greater importance in FDM value as shown in figure 1. This indicates that high value of FDM gives better interpretation of Services.

Table 12 depicts the results of the QDM values of three registries for various Services. Here QoS data measures values shows an impact of presence of more quality attributes (i.e. service registry contains more quality attributes acts as the filter provide effective interpretation). Here the services 13, 32, 91 gives the gradual increase in the QDM value due presence of various additional QoS attributes in different service registries. QDM value for all services considered is high in case of service registry SR3 as shown in figure 2.

Table 11. Functional data measure values of SR1, SR2 and SR3 for various Services

Services	Function data measure values (%)		
	SR1	SR2	SR3
B&F Services 13	25	30	40
B&F Services 32	16	27	67
B&F Services 91	26	32	46

The effect of FDV and QDM values for measuring service interpretation upon various registries is depicted in table 13. It indicates that SR3 gives more IoS values when compared with other two registries. Figure 3 shows that Service Registry 3 B&F service 32, the IoS value is high when compared with other services but in remaining registries there is a steady increase of IoS value among these three services. This sudden increase is due to inclusion of semantics value of the service. From this experiment we have observed that interpretation of services (IoS) is effective when a service represents its functional and quality

aspects clearly and completely. This in turn leads to better discovery of services.

Table 12. Quality of Service Data Measure values of three registries for various Services

Services	Quality of Service data measure values (%)		
	SR1	SR2	SR3
B&F Services 13	39.7	53.5	87.2
B&F Services 32	39.7	52.6	86.8
B&F Services 91	39.7	51.3	85.7

Table 13. Interpretation of Service Measure values of three registries for various Services

Services	Interpretation of Service metric values (%)		
	SR1	SR2	SR3
B&F Services 13	32.3	42	63.8
B&F Services 32	27.8	40	77.2
B&F Services 91	32.3	42	65.8

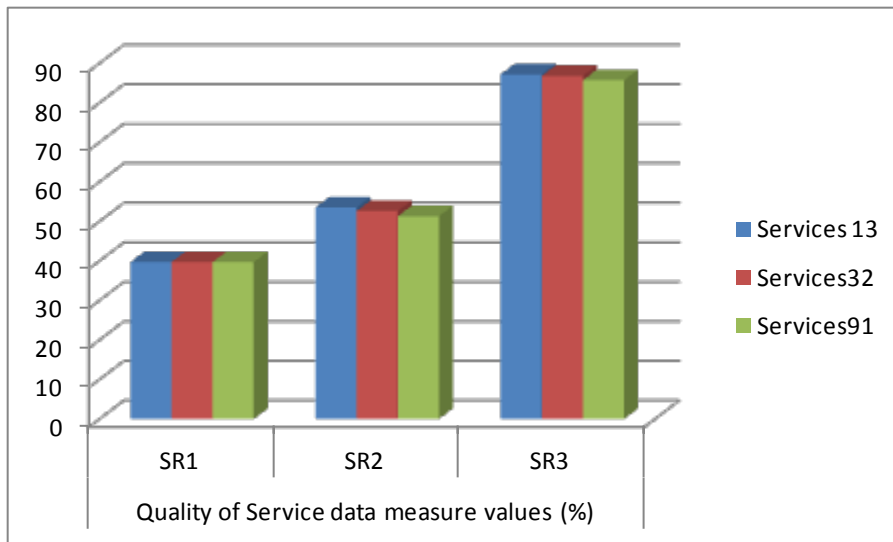


Figure 2. QDM values of three registries for various Services

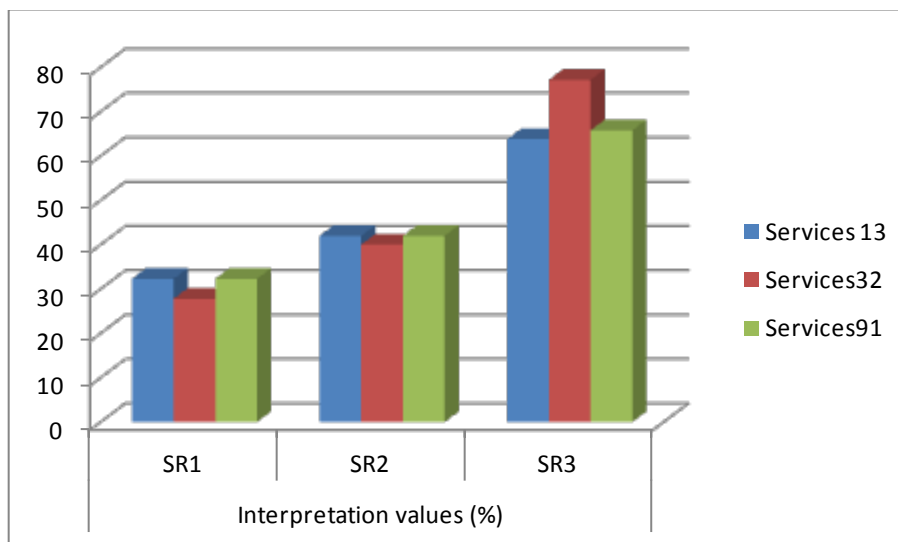


Figure 3. Interpretation of Service (IoS) values of three registries for various Services

6. Conclusions

We have designed the metric for Interpretation of Services (IoS) by proposed measures for functionality aspects and qualities aspects of Services. These measures are used in the experiment which was designed and conducted. The results are used to compute the IoS value of services. From the cases, it is evident that service registries contain essential information about the service have higher impact on the IoS value. Higher IoS value indicates better interpretation of services. This has been experimentally proved from the values of metrics obtained for various service registries (SR1, SR2 & SR3). The Service Registry 3 (SR3) gives better response towards interpretation of services as proved by the values of the metrics. This metric will help the Service Provider to quantify the effective providing the essential information about the services which will in turn enhances the discoverability of SOA systems.

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