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User Preferences Service Developer's Guide



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Chapter 1. Introduction to web services

What are web services?

At a high level, a web service is a set of functionality distributed across a network (LAN or the Internet) using a common communication protocol. The web service serves as an intermediary between an application and its clients, providing both a standardized information structure and a standardized communication protocol for interaction between the two.

Where other methods of distributed application architecture rely on a single programming language being used on both the application and its clients, a web service allows the use of loosely coupled services between non-homogenous platforms and languages. This provides a non-architecture-specific approach allowing, for example, Java services to communicate with C# clients, or vice versa.

Advantages to implementing application functionality as web services include the following:

- Software written in different languages (Java or C#) running on different platforms (UNIX or Windows) can exchange services and data
- Application functionality can be accessed by a variety of clients. For example, both a thin-client interface and a rich-client interface can take advantage of the web service operations.
- Updates to the service are immediately available to all service clients

Web service system architecture

Web services are deployed and made publicly available using an application server, such as WebSphere, JBoss Application Server, or Oracle WebLogic Server. The published web services are hosted by this application server to handle application requests, access permissions, and process load. A high-level architecture of how web services are implemented is displayed in the following diagram.

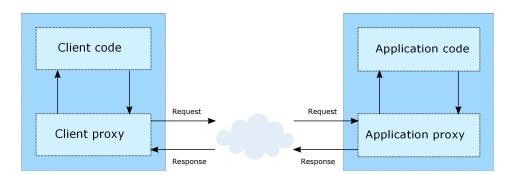


Figure 1. Web service architecture

The client code supplies input to an operation offered by a proxy class. The proxy class generates a request containing a standardized representation of the input and sends it across the network to the application. A proxy class on the server receives the request and unmarshals the contents into objects for processing by the application. Upon completing the operation, the application supplies a proxy with the output. The proxy creates a standardized representation of that output and sends the response back to the client. The client proxy unmarshals the response into native objects for subsequent processing by the client code.

Standardizing the format of the information passing between the client and the application allows a client written in one programming language to communicate with an application written in another. The proxy

classes, which are automatically generated from a web service description by a variety of toolkits, handle the translation between native programming objects and the standardized representation. See the topic "Proxies" on page 5 for more information.

Web service protocol stack

A web service implementation depends on technologies often organized in a layered stack. The implementation itself defines a standard protocol for each technology layer, with each layer depending on the layers appearing below it in the stack.

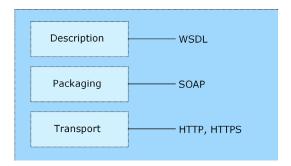


Figure 2. Web service protocol stack

Beginning at the bottom of the stack, the Transport layer defines the technology standards for communication, allowing information to move across the network. HTTP or HTTPS are often used as the standard for the transport layer.

The Packaging layer rests on top of Transport and defines the standard for structuring information for transport across the network. The SOAP format is commonly used, which offers an XML structure for packaging the data. See the topic "Simple Object Access Protocol" for more information.

The topmost layer is Description and identifies the standards used by the layers below it in the stack, as well as providing the definition of the interface available for client use. The most common means of conveying this information is through the use of a WSDL file. See the topic "Web Service Description Language" on page 3 for more information.

Simple Object Access Protocol

The Simple Object Access Protocol (SOAP) is a way to pass information between applications in an XML format.

SOAP messages are transmitted from the sending application to the receiving application, typically over an HTTP session. The actual SOAP message is made up of the Envelope element, which contains a Body element and an optional Header element.

- **Envelope.** This mandatory element is the root of the SOAP message, identifying the transmitted XML as being a SOAP packet. An envelope contains a body section and an optional header section.
- **Header.** This optional element provides an extension mechanism indicating processing information for the message. For example, if the operation using the message requires security credentials, those credentials should be part of the envelope header.
- **Body.** This element contains the message payload, the raw data being transmitted between the sending and receiving applications. The body itself may consist of multiple child elements, with an XML schema typically defining the structure of this data.

A SOAP packet and the corresponding XML is structured in the following way:

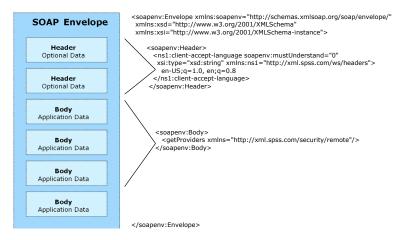


Figure 3. An example SOAP packet

Web Service Description Language

A Web Service Description Language (WSDL) file provides an XML-based map of what functionality the published web service allows, separating the implementation in the service from the interface. The WSDL defines the following:

- The access location of the web service
- Operations the web service exposes
- · Parameters the exposed operations accept
- · Any request or response messages associated with the operations

The WSDL provides the information necessary to generate a client-side proxy in the target programming language.

In accordance with the WSDL specification adopted by the World Wide Web Consortium, information in the WSDL is organized into the following sections:

- **Types.** Content definitions for web service operation input and output. See the topic "Types" for more information.
- Messages. Input and output definitions for the web service operations. See the topic "Messages" on page 4 for more information.
- **PortTypes.** Groups of operations offered by the web service. See the topic "Port types" on page 4 for more information.
- **Bindings.** Protocols and formats for the web service operations. See the topic "Bindings" on page 4 for more information.
- **Services.** Endpoints at which the web service functionality can be accessed. See the topic "Services" on page 5 for more information.

Types

The types element of a WSDL file contains the data type definitions employed by messages processed by the web service. These definitions use XML to organize the information relevant to the type element being defined. Consider the following example type definitions:

```
<wsdl:types>
  <schema targetNamespace="http://xml.spss.com/security/remote"
    xmlns="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema">
    <element name="getProviders">
        <complexType />
        </element>
        <element name="getProvidersResponse">
        <complexType>
```

This section defines two elements, *getProviders* and *getProvidersResponse*. The former is an empty element. The latter contains a sequence of *providerInfo* child elements. These children are all of the *providerInfo* type, which is defined elsewhere.

In practice, the WSDL file typically references type element definitions found in an external XML schema. For instance, the following definition uses security-remote.xsd to define type elements.

```
<wsdl:types>
  <xs:schema>
    <xs:import namespace="http://xml.spss.com/security/remote"
        schemaLocation="security-remote.xsd"/>
        </xs:schema>
</wsdl:types>
```

Messages

The message elements of a WSDL file defines the input or output parameters for operations available in the web service. Each message can consist of one or more parts, with the parts similar to the parameters of a function call in a traditional programming language. Consider the following two example message definitions:

```
<wsdl:message name="getProvidersResponse">
    <wsdl:part element="tns2:getProvidersResponse" name="parameters" />
</wsdl:message>
    <wsdl:message name="getProvidersRequest">
          <wsdl:part element="tns2:getProviders" name="parameters" />
         </wsdl:message>
```

The *getProvidersResponse* message contains a single part, corresponding to the *getProvidersResponse* element defined in the types section of the WSDL file. Similarly, the *getProvidersRequest* message also contains a single part, as defined by the *getProviders* element in the types section. See the topic "Types" on page 3 for more information.

Port types

The portType element of a WSDL file defines the actual interface to the web service. A port type is simply a group of related operations and is comparable to a function library, module, or class in a traditional programming language. The definition specifies the parameters for the operations, as well as any values returned. The parameters and return values correspond to messages defined elsewhere in the WSDL file. Consider the following example port type definition:

The *ProviderInformation* port type consists of a single operation, *getProviders*. Input to this operation corresponds to the *getProvidersRequest* message. The operation returns information in the structure defined by the *getProvidersResponse* message. See the topic "Messages" for more information.

Bindings

The binding element of a WSDL file binds the interface defined by the port type to transport and messaging protocols. Consider the following example binding definition:

```
<wsdlsoap:body namespace="http://xml.spss.com/security" use="literal" />
   </wsdl:output>
   </wsdl:operation>
</wsdl:binding>
```

In this case, the transport attribute of the wsdlsoap:binding element defines HTTP as the transport protocol. The getProviders operation in the interface is bound to the SOAP messaging protocol.

Services

The service element of a WSDL file identifies the network location at which the service interface can be accessed. Consider the following example service definition:

```
<wsdl:service name="ProviderInformationService">
  <wsdl:port binding="impl:ProviderInformationSoapBinding" name="ProviderInformation">
        <wsdlsoap:address location="http://pes_server:8080/security-ws/services/ProviderInformation" />
        </wsdl:port>
    </wsdl:service>
```

In this example, the operations comprising the *ProviderInformation* port type can be accessed at:

http://pes_server:8080/security-ws/services/ProviderInformation

Proxies

Proxies serve as bridges between the client and the web service. A client-side proxy marshals the input objects into a standardized representation which is sent to the web service. A server-side proxy unmarshals the information into input objects for the service operations. The results of the operation are marshalled into standard representations and returned to the client. The client proxy unmarshals the response information into objects for any additional processing by the client.

Creating a proxy is the first step when developing a web service client; the proxy is the translation-unit between your application and the web service the application is using. Fortunately, many development environments include tools for automatically generating the client proxy from the web service WSDL file, allowing the client developer to focus on the client application code instead of transport and packaging protocols.

The proxy classes generated from a WSDL file depend on the tool used. For Java, the wsdl2java tool, which is part of the Apache Axis project, can be used. This tool produces a Java class for each type in the WSDL. Each port type results in a Java interface. A binding creates a stub class, and a WSDL service yields a service interface with a locator implementation. These generated classes and interfaces can be called directly from a client application written in Java to access the web service functionality.

An alternative Java proxy tool is wsimport, which is part of JAX-WS. The general structure of the generated classes is similar to that created by the Axis tool, but there are some differences. For example, instead of using arrays for input fields and returned items, the code generated from the wsimport tool uses List collections. In addition, if an input type matches an output type for a method, the wsimport tool uses a Holder class for the parameter.

In contrast, on the .NET platform, the wsdl.exe tool is often used to generate a web service proxy. This tool creates a single source file in a specified language containing the proxy class. This class includes both synchronous and asynchronous methods for each operation defined in the WSDL. For example, the web service operation getProviders results in the methods getProviders, getProvidersBegin, and getProvidersEnd. The latter two can be used for asynchronous processing.

A variety of other tools exist for other programming languages. For details, consult the documentation for those tools. In each case, the tool creates native programming constructs that permit leveraging a web service regardless of the service implementation language.

Chapter 2. User Preferences Service overview

The User Preferences Service allows users of a client application to store and retrieve individual values for preference items defined in the system, permitting a customized experience for each user. For example, a user can specify his or her e-mail address and have it persist across sessions. In addition, the service includes administrative functionality for managing preference items, such as identifying which users have specified preference values.

Accessing the User Preferences Service

To access the functionality offered by the User Preferences Service, create a client application using the proxy classes generated by your preferred web service tool. The service includes two port types, *Client* and *Manager*, with the following endpoints:

```
http://<host-name>:<port-number>/<context-root>/userpref-ws/services/Client
http://<host-name>:<port-number>/<context-root>/userpref-ws/services/Manager
```

The value of *<host-name>* corresponds to the name or IP address of the machine on which IBM[®] SPSS[®] Collaboration and Deployment Services Repository is installed.

Note: An IPv6 address must be enclosed in square brackets, such as [3ffe:2a00:100:7031::1]. The value of *<port-number>* indicates the port number on which the repository server is running. The *<context-root>* value specifies the custom context root, if any, configured for your repository server. If your system does not use a context root, omit this portion of the endpoint. To access the WSDL file for the service, append *?wsdl* to the service endpoint.

For example, if IBM SPSS Collaboration and Deployment Services Repository is running on port 80 of the machine *cads_server* without a context root, the WSDL file can be accessed using the path:

```
http://cads_server:80/userpref-ws/services/Client?wsdl
http://cads_server:80/userpref-ws/services/Manager?wsdl
```

Calling User Preferences Service operations

Clients access the operations offered by the web service using a stub for the service. The following is an example of how to acquire a stub in Java through Axis defined methods:

```
String context = "/userpref-ws/services/Client";
URL url = new URL("http", "cads server", 80, context);
UserPref service = new UserPrefServiceLocator();
stub = service.getUserPref(url);
```

The service operations can be called directly from the stub, such as:

```
stub.getValues(request);
```

Chapter 3. User preferences concepts

Preference items

A preference item corresponds to an internal system setting that is allowed to vary across users. For example, every user has an email address but the individual values of the addresses can differ. Preference items available in the system are defined by the following properties:

- Definition ID. An internal identifier used to reference the item, such as email/default.
- Name. The localized name of the item, such as Email Address. The name can be used in client user interfaces that expose the item.
- **Component**. The localized name of the component that defined the item, such as General Preferences. The component name may be used to group similar items in lists.
- **Type.** The type of information stored in the item, which can have implications on the interface used to edit the item value. Some types include constraints on the permissible values for the item.

Table 1. Item types.

Type	Description	Constraints
freeForm	A string.	Minimum and maximum number of characters in the string.
email	An email address compliant with RFC-822 .	
password	A security-sensitive string. Values for items of this type are often masked in user interfaces.	
choices	A set of predefined choices.	The number of selections from the set. Valid values include <i>one, many,</i> or at least one (<i>some</i>).
bool	A binary choice, such as Yes/No or True/False.	
int	An integer.	The minimum and maximum values for the integer.
accessControlList	A set of principalID/permissionID pairs.	

An item may also include an HTML string designed to serve as help text in user interfaces that expose the item.

A preference item may be defined to be **backed** by either a configuration item or a user directory item. If the preference item itself has no specified value, the value of the backing item will be used in its place. For example, getting the value for the *email/default* item may return a value from a user directory, such as Active Directory, if the user has not specifically set his or her email address. If neither the preference item nor its backing item have values, no value will be returned.

Preference item values

Each user can have a different value for a preference item. That value has an internal address that consists of the following attributes:

- **Definition ID.** The identifier for the item.
- **Principal ID.** An internal identifier for the user associated with the value, including both the directory containing the user and the user name. This string uniquely identifies the principal in the enterprise as viewed from the IBM SPSS Collaboration and Deployment Services system.

• Value key. Some item types, such as *choices*, may have multiple user-named values. For these items, the address includes a value key denoting the value name. If the item allows only one value, the address omits the value key.

References to an item value that omit the principal ID from the address default to the identifier for the current principal. Consequently, the principal ID is only required when one user needs to access another user's item values, such as when an administrator modifies preference item values for a user. However, in that case, the person making the changes must be assigned to a role containing the <code>userPref/Admin</code> action.

The User Preferences Service includes operations for assigning, retrieving, and deleting item values based on their addresses.

Chapter 4. Operation reference

Client port type

The Client port type includes operations used for working with preference item values, such as retrieving, setting, and deleting values.

Operation reference

The deleteValues operation

Removes one or more values for user preference items. This would typically be used to cleanup obsolete user preferences. For example, a system defined process might determine users or content that no longer exist and remove related user preference values.

Input fields

The following table lists the input fields for the deleteValues operation.

Table 2. Fields for deleteValues.

Field	Type/Valid Values	Description
deleteValues	deleteValues	Identifier for the values to delete, composed of a definition ID, a principal ID, and a values key.

Return information

The following table identifies the information returned by the deleteValues operation.

Table 3. Return Value.

Type	Description
string	Total number of values deleted.

Java example

Removing the values assigned to a user preference item involves creating a DeleteValues object. Use the setDefID method to define the definition ID for the item. Supply this object to the deleteValues operation.

```
DeleteValues deleteValues = new DeleteValues();
deleteValues.setDefID("com.spss.security/upDefaultACL");
stub.deleteValues(deleteValues);
```

SOAP request example

Client invocation of the deleteValues operation generates a SOAP request message that is sent to the server for processing. An example of such a message follows.

SOAP response example

The server responds to a deleteValues operation call by sending a SOAP response message containing the results. An example of such a message follows.

```
<soapenv:Envelope xmlns:soapenv="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/envelope/"
    xmlns:xsd="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
    xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance">
    <soapenv:Body>
    <deleteValuesResponse xmlns="http://xml.spss.com/pes/userPref/remote">
        <ns1:deleteValueResponse xmlns:ns1="http://www.spss.com/pes/userPref">
        <ns1:response>1</ns1:response>
        </ns1:deleteValueResponse>
        </deleteValueResponse>
        </deleteValueResponse>
        </soapenv:Body>
    </soapenv:Envelope>
```

The getValueByDefId operation

Returns current user preference item value for a specified item.

Input fields

The following table lists the input fields for the getValueByDefId operation.

Table 4. Fields for getValueByDefld.

Field	Type/Valid Values	Description
defIdRequest	defIdRequest	

Return information

The following table identifies the information returned by the getValueByDefId operation.

Table 5. Return Value.

Туре	Description
defIdResponse	

The getValues operation

Returns current user preference item values for one or more items based on partial or fully qualified value addresses. If the address omits the definition ID for an item, the operation returns values for all items for the user. The request also includes a flag indicating whether or not the values from the hierarchy and whether configuration and user preference macros should be resolved.

Input fields

The following table lists the input fields for the getValues operation.

Table 6. Fields for getValues.

Field	Type/Valid Values	Description
valueRequest	valueRequest	Identifier for the values to retrieve, composed of a definition ID, a principal ID, and a values key.

Return information

The following table identifies the information returned by the getValues operation.

Table 7. Return Value.

Туре	Description
valuesResponse	Preference values corresponding to the request
	parameters.

Java example

To retrieve values for a user preference item, create a ValueRequest object. Use the setDefID method to define the definition ID for the item. Supply this object to the getValues operation.

The web service returns the values in a ValuesResponse object. Use the getValueArray method to return a ValueArray object, from which individual values can be returned using the getValue method. The following sample retrieves the value for the *email/default* item:

```
String emailAddress = "";
ValueRequest valueRequest = new ValueRequest();
valueRequest.setDefID("email/default");
ValuesResponse valuesResponse = stub.getValues(valueRequest);
```

SOAP request example

Client invocation of the getValues operation generates a SOAP request message that is sent to the server for processing. An example of such a message follows.

```
<soapenv:Envelope xmlns:soapenv="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/envelope/"</pre>
  xmlns:xsd="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance">
  <soapenv:Header>
    <wsse:Security soapenv:mustUnderstand="0"</pre>
      xmlns:wsse="http://docs.oasis-open.org/wss/2004/01/oasis-200401-wss-wssecurity-secext-1.0.xsd">
      <wsse:UsernameToken>
        <wsse:Username xsi:type="xsd:string">validUser</wsse:Username>
        <wsse:Password xsi:type="xsd:string">password</wsse:Password>
      </wsse:UsernameToken>
    </wsse:Security>
    <ns1:client-accept-language soapenv:mustUnderstand="0" xsi:type="xsd:string"</pre>
      xmlns:ns1="http://xml.spss.com/ws/headers">en-US;q=1.0, en;q=0.8</ns1:client-accept-language>
  </soapenv:Header>
  <soapenv:Bodv>
    <getValues xmlns="http://xml.spss.com/pes/userPref/remote">
      <valueRequest xmlns="http://www.spss.com/pes/userPref" defID="email/default"/>
    </getValues>
  </soapeny:Body>
</soapenv:Envelope>
```

SOAP response example

The server responds to a getValues operation call by sending a SOAP response message containing the results. An example of such a message follows.

```
<soapenv:Envelope xmlns:soapenv="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/envelope/"</pre>
  xmlns:xsd="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance">
  <soapenv:Body>
    <getValuesResponse xmlns="http://xml.spss.com/pes/userPref/remote">
      <ns1:valuesResponse xmlns:ns1="http://www.spss.com/pes/userPref">
        <ns1:valueArrav>
          <ns1:value ns1:component="$$userPref/grpGeneral" ns1:name="$$userPref/emailName"</pre>
            ns1:defID="email/default" ns1:principalID="//uNative//validUser">
              validUser@company.com
            </ns1:value>
        </ns1:valueArray>
      </ns1:valuesResponse>
    </getValuesResponse>
  </soapenv:Body>
</soapenv:Envelope>
```

The getVersion operation

Returns the version number of the service.

Return information

The following table identifies the information returned by the getVersion operation.

Table 8. Return Value.

Type	Description
string	The version of the web service.

Java example

To access the version number of the service, call the getVersion operation from the service stub.

```
System.out.println("Service Version = " + stub.getVersion());
```

SOAP request example

Client invocation of the getVersion operation generates a SOAP request message that is sent to the server for processing. An example of such a message follows.

```
<soapenv:Envelope xmlns:soapenv="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/envelope/"
   xmlns:xsd="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
   xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance">
   <soapenv:Body>
   <getVersion xmlns="http://xml.spss.com/pes/userPref/remote"/>
   </soapenv:Body>
</soapenv:Envelope>
```

SOAP response example

The server responds to a getVersion operation call by sending a SOAP response message containing the results. An example of such a message follows.

The setValue operation

Assigns a value to a user preference item using a fully qualified value address. The User Preferences Service validates the value against any constraints defined for the item. If the value is invalid, the operation returns an exception without saving the value. To report the problem to the user, use the information returned by the exception's getFaultReason method. For proxies generated by Axis, casting to an AxisFault may be needed:

Input fields

The following table lists the input fields for the setValue operation.

Table 9. Fields for setValue.

Field	Type/Valid Values	Description
configMacro	configMacro	Refers to a PES configuration item. Value of the item is the configuration key.
prefMacro	prefMacro	Child element within a value.

Return information

The following table identifies the information returned by the setValue operation.

Table 10. Return Value.

Туре	Description
	General status message. This message should not be interpreted by client applications as the value may change in future releases. It currently serves merely as a placeholder for the protocol.

Java example

To specify a value for a user preference item, create a SetValue object. Use the setDefID method to specify the definition ID for the item being set. The setContent method defines the value to assign to that item. Supply this object to the setValue operation.

```
SetValue value = new SetValue();
value.setDefID("email/default");
value.setContent("jjones@yahoo.com");
SetValueResponse valueResponse = stub.setValue(value);
```

SOAP request example

Client invocation of the setValue operation generates a SOAP request message that is sent to the server for processing. An example of such a message follows.

```
<soapenv:Envelope xmlns:soapenv="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/envelope/"</pre>
  xmlns:xsd="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance">
  <soapenv:Header>
    <wsse:Security soapenv:mustUnderstand="0"</pre>
      xmlns:wsse="http://docs.oasis-open.org/wss/2004/01/oasis-200401-wss-wssecurity-secext-1.0.xsd">
        <wsse:Username xsi:type="xsd:string">validUser</wsse:Username>
        <wsse:Password xsi:type="xsd:string">password</wsse:Password>
    </wsse:Security>
    <ns1:client-accept-language soapenv:mustUnderstand="0" xsi:type="xsd:string"</pre>
      xmlns:ns1="http://xml.spss.com/ws/headers">en-US;q=1.0, en;q=0.8</ns1:client-accept-language>
  </soapenv:Header>
  <soapenv:Body>
    <setValue xmlns="http://xml.spss.com/pes/userPref/remote">
      <setValue xmlns="http://www.spss.com/pes/userPref"</pre>
        xmlns:ns1="http://www.spss.com/pes/userPref" ns1:defID="email/default">
        jjones@yahoo.com
      </setValue>
    </setValue>
  </soapeny:Body>
</soapenv:Envelope>
```

SOAP response example

The server responds to a setValue operation call by sending a SOAP response message containing the results. An example of such a message follows.

Manager port type

The Manager port type includes operations used for managing preference items, such as retrieving item definitions and identifying users with values for items.

Operation reference

The getDefinitions operation

Retrieves all preference item definitions available in the system. The operation can also return a specific item based on its definition ID.

Use this operation to get a list of all possible preference items for constructing a data-driven user interface. The item types can be used to determine the optimal interface control to use for editing the value, while the constraints can be used to validate new values. Use the setValue operation to actually update the existing value. See the topic "The setValue operation" on page 14 for more information.

Input fields

The following table lists the input fields for the getDefinitions operation.

Table 11. Fields for definitionRequest.

Field	Type/Valid Values	Description
requestedItemID		Identifier for the definition to retrieve. If omitted, all defined preference definitions are returned.

Return information

The following table identifies the information returned by the getDefinitions operation.

Table 12. Return Value.

Type	Description
preferenceDataItems	Characteristics of the preference item(s) corresponding to
	the request.

Java example

The getDefinitions operation returns a DefinitionResponse object containing information about the existing preference items. Use the getPreferenceDataItems method to return a PreferenceDataItems

object from which an array of PreferenceData objects containing details about the items can be obtained using the getPreferenceData method. For each entry in the array, accessor methods return specific properties, such as the item name, ID, and type.

```
DefinitionResponse response = stub.getDefinitions();
PreferenceDataItems items = response.getPreferenceDataItems();
PreferenceData[] prefData = items.getPreferenceData();
for (int j = 0; j < prefData.length; j++) {
    System.out.println("Name: " + prefData[j].getItemName());
    System.out.println("ID: " + prefData[j].getDefID());
    System.out.println("Type: " + prefData[j].getItemType());
    System.out.println("Component: " + prefData[j].getComponentName());
    System.out.println("Instance Count: " + prefData[j].getInstanceCount());
}</pre>
```

SOAP request example

Client invocation of the getDefinitions operation generates a SOAP request message that is sent to the server for processing. An example of such a message follows.

```
<soapenv:Envelope xmlns:soapenv="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/envelope/"</pre>
 xmlns:xsd="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
 xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance">
 <soapenv:Header>
   <wsse:Security soapenv:mustUnderstand="0"</pre>
     xmlns:wsse="http://docs.oasis-open.org/wss/2004/01/oasis-200401-wss-wssecurity-secext-1.0.xsd">
     <wsse:UsernameToken>
       <wsse:Username xsi:type="xsd:string">validUser</wsse:Username>
       <wsse:Password xsi:type="xsd:string">password</wsse:Password>
     </wsse:UsernameToken>
   </wsse:Security>
   xmlns:ns1="http://xml.spss.com/ws/headers">en-US;q=1.0, en;q=0.8</ns1:client-accept-language>
 </soapenv:Header>
  <soapenv:Body>
   <definitionRequest xmlns="http://xml.spss.com/pes/userPref/remote">
     <definitionRequest xmlns="http://www.spss.com/pes/userPref"/>
   </definitionRequest>
 </soapenv:Body>
</soapenv:Envelope>
```

SOAP response example

The server responds to a getDefinitions operation call by sending a SOAP response message containing the results. An example of such a message follows.

```
<soapenv:Envelope xmlns:soapenv="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/envelope/"</pre>
    xmlns:xsd="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
    xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance">
  <soapeny:Body>
    <definitionRequestResponse xmlns="http://xml.spss.com/pes/userPref/remote">
      <ns1:definitionResponse xmlns:ns1="http://www.spss.com/pes/userPref">
        <ns1:preferenceDataItems>
          <ns1:preferenceData ns1:componentName="security/cfgGroup/"</pre>
               ns1:defID="com.spss.security/upDefaultACL" ns1:exposeInServer="false"
               ns1:instanceCount="0" ns1:itemName="security/upnDefaultACL'
               ns1:itemType="accessControlList" ns1:keyed="false">
             <ns1:helpHTML>Default privileges for creating objects.</ns1:helpHTML>
          </ns1:preferenceData>
           <ns1:preferenceData ns1:componentName="User Preference Sample"</pre>
               ns1:defID="demo/Bool" ns1:exposeInServer="false" ns1:instanceCount="0" ns1:itemName="bool type" ns1:itemType="bool" ns1:keyed="false">
             <ns1:helpHTML>Yes or No</ns1:helpHTML>
          </ns1:preferenceData>
          <ns1:preferenceData ns1:componentName="User Preference Sample"</pre>
               ns1:defID="demo/Choice" ns1:exposeInServer="false" ns1:instanceCount="0"
               nsl:itemName="choices type" nsl:itemType="choices" nsl:keyed="false">
             <ns1:constraints>&quot;red|lr&quot;,&quot;green|2g&quot;,&quot;blue|3b&quot;</ns1:constraints>
             <ns1:helpHTML>Select a color.</ns1:helpHTML>
          </ns1:preferenceData>
           <ns1:preferenceData ns1:backing="config:demo/FreeForm"</pre>
               ns1:componentName="User Preference Sample" ns1:defID="demo/FreeForm" ns1:exposeInServer="false" ns1:instanceCount="0" ns1:itemName="freeForm type"
               ns1:itemType="freeForm" ns1:keyed="false">
             <ns1:constraints>0:2147483647/ns1:constraints>
             <ns1:helpHTML>Any string.</ns1:helpHTML>
           </ns1:preferenceData>
           <ns1:preferenceData ns1:componentName="User Preference Sample"</pre>
               ns1:defID="demo/Int" ns1:exposeInServer="false" ns1:instanceCount="0"
```

```
ns1:itemName="int type" ns1:itemType="int" ns1:keyed="false">
             <ns1:constraints>-2147483648:2147483647</ns1:constraints>
             <ns1:helpHTML>A number</ns1:helpHTML>
           </ns1:preferenceData>
           <ns1:preferenceData ns1:componentName="User Preference Sample"</pre>
               ns1:defID="demo/Password" ns1:exposeInServer="false" ns1:instanceCount="0"
               ns1:itemName="password type" ns1:itemType="password" ns1:keyed="false"
             <ns1:helpHTML>A password.</ns1:helpHTML>
           </ns1:preferenceData>
           <ns1:preferenceData ns1:backing="userdir:email" ns1:componentName="General"</pre>
               nsl:defID="email/default" nsl:exposeInServer="true" nsl:instanceCount="0" nsl:itemName="email type" nsl:itemType="email" nsl:keyed="false">
             <ns1:helpHTML>The user's specified default email address./ns1:helpHTML>
           </ns1:preferenceData>
        </ns1:preferenceDataItems>
      </ns1:definitionResponse>
    </definitionRequestResponse>
  </soapenv:Body>
</soapenv:Envelope>
```

The getUsers operation

Returns the set of all users that have user preferences values defined. The principal calling this operation must be assigned to a role with the *userPref/Admin* action.

The list of users returned by the getUsers operation can be compared to lists of users for directories in use. Users present in the former list but not in the latter have been removed from the system and their values can be safely deleted. Supply the deleteValues operation with value addresses that include the principal IDs for those users to remove their values. See the topic "The deleteValues operation" on page 11 for more information.

Input fields

The following table lists the input fields for the getUsers operation.

Table 13. Fields for usersRequest.

Field	Type/Valid Values	Description
usersRequest	usersRequest	

Return information

The following table identifies the information returned by the getUsers operation.

Table 14. Return Value.

Type	Description
userDataItems	Characteristics of users, such as their principal IDs and display names, who have preference values specified.

Java example

The getUsers operation returns a UsersResponse object containing information about the users. Use the getUserDataItems method to return a UserDataItems object from which an array of UserDetails objects containing details about the returned users can be obtained using the getUserDetails method.

For each entry in the array, the getInstanceCount method returns the number of preference values for the user. In addition, the getUser method returns a User object containing the display name and principal ID for the user.

```
UsersResponse users = stub.getUsers();
UserDetails[] details = users.getUserDataItems().getUserDetails();
for (int j = 0; j < details.length; j++) {
   User userProfile = details[j].getUser();</pre>
```

```
System.out.println("User " + userProfile.getDisplay() +
    " (principal ID = " + userProfile.getPrincipalID() + ") has " +
    details[j].getInstanceCount() + "preference item values defined.");
}
```

SOAP request example

Client invocation of the getUsers operation generates a SOAP request message that is sent to the server for processing. An example of such a message follows.

```
<soapenv:Envelope xmlns:soapenv="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/envelope/"</pre>
  xmlns:xsd="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance">
  <soapenv:Header>
    <wsse:Security soapenv:mustUnderstand="0"
xmlns:wsse="http://docs.oasis-open.org/wss/2004/01/oasis-200401-wss-wssecurity-secext-1.0.xsd">
      <wsse:UsernameToken>
        <wsse:Username xsi:type="xsd:string">validUser</wsse:Username>
        <wsse:Password xsi:type="xsd:string">password</wsse:Password>
      </wsse:UsernameToken>
    </wsse:Security>
    <ns1:client-accept-language soapenv:mustUnderstand="0" xsi:type="xsd:string"</pre>
       xmlns:ns1="http://xml.spss.com/ws/headers">en-US;q=1.0, en;q=0.8</ns1:client-accept-language>
  </soapenv:Header>
  <soapenv:Body>
    <usersRequest xmlns="http://xml.spss.com/pes/userPref/remote">
      <usersRequest xmlns="http://www.spss.com/pes/userPref"/>
    </usersRequest>
  </soapenv:Body>
</soapenv:Envelope>
```

SOAP response example

The server responds to a getUsers operation call by sending a SOAP response message containing the results. An example of such a message follows.

```
<soapenv:Envelope xmlns:soapenv="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/envelope/"</pre>
  xmlns:xsd="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance">
  <soapenv:Body>
    <usersRequestResponse xmlns="http://xml.spss.com/pes/userPref/remote">
      <ns1:usersResponse xmlns:ns1="http://www.spss.com/pes/userPref">
        <ns1:userDataItems>
          <ns1:userDetails ns1:instanceCount="1">
            <ns1:user ns1:principalID="//uNative//validUser" ns1:display="validUser"/>
          </ns1:userDetails>
          <ns1:userDetails ns1:instanceCount="1">
            <ns1:user ns1:principalID="//uADL/domain/jjones" ns1:display="jjones (domain)"/>
          </ns1:userDetails>
        </ns1:userDataItems>
      </ns1:usersResponse>
    </usersRequestResponse>
  </soapenv:Body>
</soapenv:Envelope>
```

The getVersion operation

Returns the version number of the service.

Return information

The following table identifies the information returned by the getVersion operation.

Table 15. Return Value.

Туре	Description
string	The version of the web service.

Java example

To access the version number of the service, call the getVersion operation from the service stub.

```
System.out.println("Service Version = " + stub.getVersion());
```

SOAP request example

Client invocation of the getVersion operation generates a SOAP request message that is sent to the server for processing. An example of such a message follows.

```
<soapenv:Envelope xmlns:soapenv="http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/envelope/"
   xmlns:xsd="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
   xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance">
   <soapenv:Body>
   <getVersion xmlns="http://xml.spss.com/pes/userPref/remote"/>
   </soapenv:Body>
</soapenv:Envelope>
```

SOAP response example

The server responds to a getVersion operation call by sending a SOAP response message containing the results. An example of such a message follows.

Chapter 5. JAX-WS clients

Java developers can create custom web service clients by using JAX-WS.

The discussion here assumes the use of Java 6. In general, the process for accessing IBM SPSS Collaboration and Deployment Services web services involves the following steps:

- 1. Generate a web service client using wsimport
- 2. Package the client
- 3. Programmatically configure the client
- 4. Exercise the web service

Generating a JAX-WS client

To generate a JAX-WS client, open a command prompt and execute the Java 6 wsimport command.

The wsimport command creates JAX-WS service classes and JAXB classes that represent the WSDL schema. For example, the following command executes wsimport for the Scoring.HttpV2 service, storing the output in the current directory:

"c:\Program Files\IBM\Java60\bin\wsimport.exe" http://localhost:7001/scoring/services/Scoring.HttpV2?wsdl

In this example, the command obtained the WSDL from the server by using the endpoint name followed by ?wsdl. The wsimport command requires access to the WSDL in order to generate the files. JAX-WS also requires access to the WSDL file during runtime, so this example hard codes the value provided to wsimport in the Java code. The generated client fetches the WSDL from that same location unless otherwise specified. An alternative is to store the WSDL locally and refer to the local copy rather than downloading the WSDL from the server.

Packaging a JAX-WS client

A JAX-WS client must be packaged as a jar file.

The following example command creates a jar file named scoring.jar:

```
"c:\Program Files\IBM\Java60\bin\jar.exe" -cvf scoring.jar *
```

This command assumes the command prompt is in the same location in which the client was generated.

If you store the WSDL locally, include the WSDL and XSD files in the jar file. Place the files in the \META-INF\wsdl directory within the file. Refer to that directory programmatically when configuring the client.

Configuring a JAX-WS client

JAX-WS clients can obtain the WSDL file remotely from the server or locally from within the jar file.

The following example demonstrates obtaining the WSDL from the server:

```
com.spss.scoring.ws.jaxws.ScoringServices service =
new com.spss.scoring.ws.jaxws.ScoringServices(
   new URL("http://localhost:7001/scoring/services/Scoring.HttpV2?wsdl"),
   new QName("http://xml.spss.com/scoring/wsdl", "ScoringServices"));
```

The URL includes the host and port for your server.

The following example demonstrates obtaining the WSDL from the within the jar file:

```
com.spss.scoring.ws.jaxws.ScoringServices service =
 new com.spss.scoring.ws.jaxws.ScoringServices(
    DemoClass.class.getResource("/META-INF/wsdl/scoring.wsdl"),
    new QName("http://xml.spss.com/scoring/wsdl", "ScoringServices"));
```

In order to include the required SOAP security headers, create an object that implements SOAPHandler<SOAPMessageContext>. See "SOAPHandler example" for an example handler object. The following example shows how this object is used:

```
service.setHandlerResolver(new HandlerResolver()
 @Override
    public List<Handler> getHandlerChain(PortInfo portInfo)
      List<Handler> handlerChain = new ArrayList<Handler>();
     handlerChain.add(new SecurityHandler("user", "password", "en-US;q=1.0, en;q=0.8"));
      return handlerChain;
});
```

Next, access the service endpoint:

ScoringV2 serviceEndpoint = service.getHttpV2();

After obtaining the service endpoint, set the JAX-WS standard endpoint address property, which specifies the URL at which to access the endpoint.

```
Map<String, Object> requestContext = ((BindingProvider)serviceEndpoint).getRequestContext();
requestContext.put(BindingProvider.ENDPOINT_ADDRESS_PROPERTY,
   "http://localhost:7001/scoring/services/\(\overline{S}\)coring.\(\overline{H}\)ttpV2");
```

SOAPHandler example

JAX-WS clients must include an object that implements SOAPHandler<SOAPMessageContext>.

The following code provides an example of this object.

```
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** disclosure restricted by GSA ADP Schedule Contract with IBM Corp.
*************************************
import java.util.Collections;
import java.util.Set;
import javax.xml.namespace.QName;
import javax.xml.soap.SOAPElement;
import javax.xml.soap.SOAPEnvelope;
import javax.xml.soap.SOAPFactory;
import javax.xml.soap.SOAPHeader;
import javax.xml.soap.SOAPMessage;
import javax.xml.ws.handler.MessageContext;
import javax.xml.ws.handler.soap.SOAPHandler;
import javax.xml.ws.handler.soap.SOAPMessageContext;
* This is a SOAP handler that applies a security header and a language header to a SOAP message.
public class SecurityHandler implements SOAPHandler<SOAPMessageContext>
    // WS-Security header values
    public static final String SECURITY = "Security";
public static final String USERNAME_TOKEN = "UsernameToken";
    public static final String USERNAME = "Username";
public static final String PASSWORD = "Password";
    public static final String WS_SECURITY_NAMESPACE =
       "http://docs.oasis-open.org/wss/2004/01/oasis-200401-wss-wssecurity-secext-1.0.xsd";\\
    // prefixes
```

```
public static final String WSSE_PREFIX = "wsse"; // ws service security
public static final String SPSS_PREFIX = "spss"; // spss prefix
// SPSS custom language header values
public static final String SPSS_HEADER_NAMESPACE = "http://xml.spss.com/ws/headers";
public static final String CLIENT ACCEPT LANGUAGE HEADER = "client-accept-language";
private String i username;
private String i_password;
private String i_acceptLanguage;
* Creates a security and language handler
 * @param username A user name to access the web service. Cannot be null.
   Oparam password A password to access the web service. Cannot be null.
 * @param acceptLanguage The language that should be used by the web service.
 * This value should be formatted according to the HTTP specification regarding * the Accept-Language HTTP header (e.g. en-US;q=1.0, en;q=0.8)
 * If the value is null, the language header will not be added.
\verb"public SecurityHandler" (String username, String password, String acceptLanguage)"
    i_username = username;
    i_password = password;
    i_acceptLanguage = acceptLanguage;
00verride
public\ boolean\ handle Message (SOAPMessage Context\ context)
    // Apply this handler to only outbound traffic
    if((Boolean)context.get(SOAPMessageContext.MESSAGE_OUTBOUND_PROPERTY))
         // get the message
        SOAPMessage message = context.getMessage();
        try
             // get the message header
             SOAPEnvelope envelope = message.getSOAPPart().getEnvelope();
             SOAPHeader header = envelope.getHeader();
             if (header == null)
                header = envelope.addHeader();
             // add the UsernameToken header
            header.addChildElement(createUsernameTokenSecurityHeader());
             // assuming the language was provided, apply the custom language header
             if(i acceptLanguage != null)
                header.addChildElement(createLanguageHeader());
        catch (Exception e)
            e.printStackTrace();
    // allow any other handler to execute
    return true;
 \star This method creates a custom language header, which allows the scoring service
 * to use the given language if possible.
 * @return A custom language header
 * @throws Exception
private SOAPElement createLanguageHeader() throws Exception
    SOAPFactory factory = SOAPFactory.newInstance();
    // create a custom language header
    SOAPElement languageHeader
       factory.createElement(CLIENT ACCEPT LANGUAGE HEADER, SPSS PREFIX, SPSS HEADER NAMESPACE);
    // include the language text
    languageHeader.addTextNode(i acceptLanguage);
    return languageHeader;
}
 * Creates the WS-Security SOAP header for UsernameToken as SOAPElement.
```

```
* @return the WS-Security SOAP header for UsernameToken
 * Othrows Exception as appropriate
private SOAPElement createUsernameTokenSecurityHeader() throws Exception
    SOAPFactory factory = SOAPFactory.newInstance();
    // create a UsernameToken element
    SOAPElement usernameToken
     factory.createElement(USERNAME_TOKEN, WSSE_PREFIX, WS_SECURITY_NAMESPACE);
    // add the username element
    SOAPElement usernameElement =
     factory.createElement(USERNAME, WSSE_PREFIX, WS_SECURITY_NAMESPACE);
    usernameElement.addTextNode(i_username);
    usernameToken.addChildElement(usernameElement);
    // add the password element
    SOAPElement passwordElement =
      factory.createElement(PASSWORD, WSSE_PREFIX, WS_SECURITY_NAMESPACE);
    passwordElement.addTextNode(i_password);
    usernameToken.addChildElement(passwordElement);
    // create the Security Header
    SOAPElement securityHeader
     factory.createElement(SECURITY, WSSE_PREFIX, WS_SECURITY_NAMESPACE);
    securityHeader.addChildElement(usernameToken);
    return securityHeader;
@Override
public boolean handleFault(SOAPMessageContext context)
    // allow any other handler to execute
    return true;
public void close(MessageContext context)
    // do nothing
@Override
public Set<QName> getHeaders()
    return Collections.emptySet();
```

Exercising web services from JAX-WS clients

Once properly configured, a JAX-WS client can make calls to IBM SPSS Collaboration and Deployment Services web services.

For example, the following code calls the getConfigurations operation of the Scoring Service: serviceEndpoint.getConfigurations();

Chapter 6. Microsoft® .NET Framework-based clients

In order to use the web services from a Microsoft Windows Communication Foundation (WCF) client, you will need Visual Studio 2008 or later. The discussion here assumes the use of Visual Studio 2008. In general, the process for accessing IBM SPSS Collaboration and Deployment Services web services involves the following steps:

- 1. Add a Service Reference. See the topic "Adding a service reference" for more information.
- 2. Configure the web service endpoint. See the topic "Configuring the web service endpoint" on page 26 for more information.
- 3. Programmatically configure the necessary endpoint behaviors. See the topic "Configuring endpoint behaviors" on page 27 for more information.
- 4. Exercise the web service. See the topic "Exercising the service" on page 27 for more information.

Adding a service reference

The first step in using a WCF client to access IBM SPSS Collaboration and Deployment Services web services is to make the service available to the Visual Studio project by adding it as a Service Reference.

- 1. In Visual Studio, right-click the folder's *References* folder and select **Add Service Reference**.
- 2. Type the URL of the service WSDL location in the **Address** field, and click **Go**. The value corresponds to the service endpoint appended with ?wsdl.
- 3. Specify the namespace in the Namespace field.
- 4. Click OK.

Visual Studio adds a new service reference to the Service Reference directory for the project. The name of the reference corresponds to the specified namespace.

Important: If you have a .NET client created by using a version of IBM SPSS Collaboration and Deployment Services before 6.0, you must regenerate your service references from the current WSDL files to allow successful communication between your application and the current server. If you do not regenerate your service references, you may experience a variety of errors that may include incorrect namespace assignments, NullPointerExceptions in the web services being invoked, and data type assignment errors.

Service reference modifications

Due to known compatibility issues between Microsoft tooling and some WSDL files, you need to manually modify some service references before they can be used successfully. For information about the specific issues, see articles 891386 and 326790 on the Microsoft Support site.

To modify a service reference:

- 1. In Visual Studio, select the project and click **Show All Files** from the Project menu.
- 2. Expand the service reference that needs to be modified.
- 3. Expand the **Reference.svcmap** node.
- 4. Open the Reference.cs file.
- 5. Make the required modifications.
- 6. Save the file.

For the Content Repository Service , Content Repository URI Service, and Process Management Service, you need to make the following changes to the RowType class:

- private value[][] cellField should be changed to private value[] cellField
- public value[][] cell should be changed to public value[] cell

For the Scoring Service, you need to make the following changes:

- in the returnedDPDOutputTable class, private returnedDPDOutputValue[][] returnedDPDOutputrowField should be changed to private returnedDPDOutputValue[] returnedDPDOutputrowField
- in the returnedDPDOutputTable class, private returnedDPDOutputValue[][] returnedDPDOutputRow should be changed to private returnedDPDOutputValue[] returnedDPDOutputRow
- in the returnedRequestInputTable class, private returnedRequestInputValue[][] returnedRequestInputRow should be changed to private returnedRequestInputValue[] returnedRequestInputRow
- in the returnedRequestInputTable class, private returnedRequestInputValue[][] returnedRequestInputRowField should be changed to private returnedRequestInputValue[] returnedRequestInputRowField
- in the requestInputTable class, private input1[][] requestInputRowField should be changed to private input1[] requestInputRowField
- in the requestInputTable class, private input1[][] requestInputRow should be changed to private input1[] requestInputRow

For the PevServices Service, you need to make the following changes:

- in the avTableConflict class, private avColumnMeta[][] avColumnConflictField should be changed to private avColumnMeta[] avColumnConflictField
- in the avTableConflict class, private avColumnMeta[][] avColumnConflict should be changed to private avColumnMeta[] avColumnConflict
- in the evTableConflict class, private evColumnMeta[][] evColumnConflictField should be changed to private evColumnMeta[] evColumnConflictField
- in the evTableConflict class, private evColumnMeta[][] evColumnConflict should be changed to private evColumnMeta[] evColumnConflict

Configuring the web service endpoint

In WCF, you can configure a service endpoint either declaratively using an *app.config* file, or programmatically using the WCF APIs. The following steps describe the creation of a basic configuration within an *app.config* file.

- 1. In Visual Studio, double-click the *app.config* file for the application (or *web.config* for a web-application).
- 2. Find the system.serviceModel element. Create it if it does not already exist.
- 3. Find the client element. Create it if it does not already exist.
- 4. Create a new endpoint element as a child of the client element.
- 5. Specify the appropriate service endpoint URL as the value of the *address* attribute.
- 6. Specify basicHttpBinding as the value of the binding attribute.
- 7. Specify the appropriate service contract as the value of the *contract* attribute. The service contract is the value of the service reference namespace appended with the service name.
- 8. Optionally specify a value for the *name* attribute that identifies a name for the endpoint configuration. If the *name* is blank, the configuration is used as the default for the service.

The resulting *app.config* file should be similar to the following example:

```
<system.serviceModel>
     <cli>client>
          <endpoint
          address="http://cads server:8080/cr-ws/services/ContentRepository"</pre>
```

```
binding="basicHttpBinding"
bindingConfiguration=""
contract="IBM.SPSS.ContentRepository"
name=""/>
</client>
</system.serviceModel>
```

Configuring endpoint behaviors

The following two issues complicate the use of IBM SPSS Collaboration and Deployment Services web services by WCF clients:

- · WCF does not allow the username and password to be transmitted over HTTP
- · WCF does not correctly understand the SOAP Fault format returned by the services

To address these problems, a sample Visual Studio project is available that contains classes adding endpoint behaviors that resolve both issues. The IBM SPSS Collaboration and Deployment Services installation media includes this project.

To use these classes, ensure that the *IBM.SPSS.WCF.Utilities* project containing these classes has been compiled and added as a referenced DLL to the Visual Studio project that exercises the web services. When constructing a new service client instance, ensure that the behaviors are added as follows:

```
ContentRepositoryClient serviceClient = new ContentRepositoryClient();
serviceClient.Endpoint.Behaviors.Add(
   new ApplyClientInspectorsBehavior(
   new HeaderInjectionMessageInspector(
        new UsernameTokenSecurityHeader("admin", "Abcdefg1")
   ),
   new SOAPFaultFormatMessageInspector())
);
```

This adds two message inspectors to the behaviors for the endpoint. The first allows message headers to be injected, permitting a UsernameToken security header containing the username and password to be transmitted over HTTP. The second message inspector intercepts SOAP Faults, ensuring that they are formatted for proper WCF processing.

Exercising the service

After adding the service reference to the project, configuring the endpoint, and adding the necessary endpoint behaviors, the WCF-based web service client is ready. Add the .NET source code to the project to exercise the web service as needed.

There may be instances in which the .NET client proxies are generated incorrectly, leading to unexpected missing results at runtime. If a web service call returns no results when results are expected, the generated .NET types associated with the request and response should be examined. Specifically, members of the types may have two .NET attributes assigned. The first, MessageBodyMemberAttribute, will often include the proper namespace for the member type. The second, XmlElementAttribute, should have the same namespace as MessageBodyMemberAttribute. If this is not the case, add the namespace to XmlElementAttribute. Moreover, the addition of XML serialization attributes, such as System.XML.Serialization.XmlElementAttribute, may be necessary to correctly name the expected namespace or element. For example, the following generated client code would need to be modified:

```
public partial class getUsersResponse {
   System.ServiceModel.MessageBodyMemberAttribute(Namespace =
    "http://xml.spss.com/pes/userPref/remote", Order = 0)]
   public IBM.SPSS.ManagerUserPref.usersResponse usersResponse;
```

The corrected code is as follows:

```
public partial class getUsersResponse {
    [System.ServiceModel.MessageBodyMemberAttribute(Namespace =
        "http://xml.spss.com/pes/userPref/remote", Order = 0)]
    [System.Xml.Serialization.XmlElementAttribute(ElementName="usersRequestResponse")]
    public IBM.SPSS.ManagerUserPref.usersResponse usersResponse;
```

Single sign-on authentication

You can use single sign-on authentication for web service calls by obtaining a service ticket that you include in your SOAP requests.

The general process of using single sign-on authentication for WCF clients includes the following steps:

- 1. Obtain a ticket-grating ticket (TGT) using .NET or WCF code.
- 2. Send the TGT to the IBM SPSS Collaboration and Deployment Services Repository server using the SSO Authentication Service getToken operation to obtain a service ticket. This ensures that single sign-on authentication occurs on the repository server.
- 3. Send the service ticket in the SOAP header for all subsequent web services calls from your client application.

Chapter 7. Message header reference

The headers for the transport and packaging layers contain vital information for processing a web service call.

For IBM SPSS Collaboration and Deployment Services, the SOAP headers contain the security information under which the web service call is processed. In addition, the HTTP headers contain information about the client that initiated the web service request.

Security headers

Most IBM SPSS Collaboration and Deployment Services web service calls require security information in the request message.

In general, the structure of this content follows the WS-Security extension to the SOAP 1.1 standard. This documentation provides details on the XML elements and attributes that are recognized by IBM SPSS Collaboration and Deployment Services. Some of the elements and attributes are required, some are optional, and some are ignored. Refer to the following official specifications for details, but IBM SPSS Collaboration and Deployment Services requires some special values not referenced in the official specifications.

- http://docs.oasis-open.org/wss/v1.1/wss-v1.1-spec-os-SOAPMessageSecurity.pdf
- http://docs.oasis-open.org/wss/v1.1/wss-v1.1-spec-os-UsernameTokenProfile.pdf
- http://docs.oasis-open.org/wss/v1.1/wss-v1.1-spec-os-KerberosTokenProfile.pdf

The following table defines the values of namespaces that are used for the SOAP header elements.

Table 16. SOAP header namespaces

Namespace prefix	Namespace value
wsse	http://docs.oasis-open.org/wss/2004/01/oasis-200401-wss-wssecurity-secext-1.0.xsd
wsu	http://docs.oasis-open.org/wss/2004/01/oasis-200401-wss-wssecurity-utility-1.0.xsd
soapenv	http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/envelope/
spsssec	http://xml.spss.com/security

Security element

The wsse:Security element is the main security header element included in a soapenv:Header element.

Table 17. Attributes of wsse: Security

Attribute	Description	Example
soapenv:actor	Targets a given endpoint along the message path. This value is ignored.	http://schemas.xmlsoap.org/soap/actor/next
soapenv:mustUnderstand	Clients can specify if the server must process this element. This value is ignored.	0

UsernameToken element

Use the wsse:UsernameToken element when a traditional user and password combination is required.

Table 18. Attributes of wsse: UsernameToken

Attribute	Description
wsu:Id	An optional string label for the security token. This value is ignored.

Table 19. Child elements of wsse: UsernameToken

Attribute	Description	Example
wsse:Username	The xml value represents the identity of the user.	a_user
wsse:Password	The attribute Type specifies the type of password. PasswordText is currently the only supported type. The xml value can handle plain text passwords and encrypted data.	myPassword [{AES}KrY+KLlOYo4O6545tgGsYQ==]
wsse:Nonce	The xml value represents a cryptographically random nonce encoded as base64 data. This is currently ignored.	RUx1ugQo0o3g0Xyl+sUEsA==
wsu:Created	The xml value represents the creation time as a timestamp conforming to wsu:Timestamp. This is currently ignored.	2013-10-08T02:09:20Z

BinarySecurityToken and BinarySecuritySSOToken elements

Binary security tokens may be used when IBM SPSS Collaboration and Deployment Services communicates with itself or when single sign-on (SSO) is used. Customer usage of these token types is limited to SSO.

The wsse:BinarySecurityToken and wsse:BinarySecuritySSOToken elements have the same format, but only wsse:BinarySecurityToken is recognized in the official WS-Security standard. The element wsse:BinarySecuritySSOToken was added as a nonstandard element when used in SSO.

Of these two elements, you should use wsse:BinarySecurityToken and you must supply the correct attributes for proper handling. The most critical attribute is the wsu:Id value which is used during web service request processing to handle the security token correctly.

Table 20. Attributes of wsse:BinarySecurityToken

Attribute	Description	Example
ValueType	Indicates the type of the security token. IBM SPSS Collaboration and Deployment Services always writes these values when creating its own XML, but this value is currently ignored during processing. You should use spsssec:BinarySecuritySSOToken.	spsssec:BinarySecurityToken spsssec:BinarySecuritySSOToken

Table 20. Attributes of wsse:BinarySecurityToken (continued)

Attribute	Description	Example
EncodingType	Indicates the encoding type for the token. The only currently supported type is base64, so this value should always be wsse:Base64Binary. IBM SPSS Collaboration and Deployment Services always writes these values when creating its own XML, but this value is currently ignored during processing.	wsse:Base64Binary
wsu:Id	An identifier for the token. This value must be correctly provided. You should always provide spssSSOToken. The only valid case for using spssToken is for internal web service calls, which use an internal token format.	spssToken spssSSOToken
anyAttribute	An extension mechanism to allow any arbitrary attribute in other namespaces. These extensions are ignored.	

The XML value for wsse:BinarySecurityToken and wsse:BinarySecuritySSOToken is string data in base64 format.

The client-accept-language element

This element restricts the set of natural languages that are preferred as a response to the request.

This element is inserted into a soapenv: Header element and is not related to WS-Security in any way. This is the same value found in the HTTP header named Accept-Language as defined in RFC2068. The xml value for this element might look like the following:

en-US;q=1.0, en;q=0.8

The namespace for this element could be any allowed value, such as ns1, which has an associated value of http://xml.spss.com/ws/headers.

HTTP headers

In addition to SOAP headers, it is possible to apply HTTP headers as well. None of the HTTP headers is required.

Table 21. HTTP headers

HTTP header	Description
Accept-Language	The accept language header value, as defined in RFC2068 (e.g. en-US;q=1.0, en;q=0.8). If not supplied the server language setting is used as a default.
CLIENT_ADDR	The client IP address that ultimately initiated the request.
CLIENT_HOSTNAME	The client host name that ultimately initiated the request.
X-FORWARDED-FOR	The client IP address that ultimately initiated the request. This is standard for determining the originating IP address.

The CLIENT_ADDR, CLIENT_HOSTNAME, and X-FORWARDED-FOR values are useful when a client application makes a call through an HTTP proxy, load balancer, or when IBM SPSS Collaboration and Deployment Services components make internal calls. The CLIENT_ADDR and CLIENT_HOSTNAME entries are specific HTTP headers that can be set by IBM SPSS Collaboration and Deployment Services itself. The X-FORWARDED-FOR header is a standard that some load balancers understand. These headers are used to make a best-effort attempt in determining the originating client for a given call, allowing information to be used for auditing purposes. The headers may not work as intended, but IBM SPSS Collaboration and Deployment Services will fall back to reasonable defaults in those situations.

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